# Article Universal quantum logic in hot silicon qubits

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Quantum computation requires many qubits that can be coherently controlled and coupled to each other<sup>1</sup>. Qubits that are defined using lithographic techniques have been suggested to enable the development of scalable quantum systems because they can be implemented using semiconductor fabrication technology<sup>2-5</sup>. However, leading solid-state approaches function only at temperatures below 100 millikelvin, where cooling power is extremely limited, and this severely affects the prospects of practical quantum computation. Recent studies of electron spins in silicon have made progress towards a platform that can be operated at higher temperatures by demonstrating long spin lifetimes<sup>6</sup>, gate-based spin readout<sup>7</sup> and coherent single-spin control<sup>8</sup>. However, a high-temperature two-qubit logic gate has not yet been demonstrated. Here we show that silicon quantum dots can have sufficient thermal robustness to enable the execution of a universal gate set at temperatures greater than one kelvin. We obtain single-qubit control via electron spin resonance and readout using Pauli spin blockade. In addition, we show individual coherent control of two qubits and measure single-qubit fidelities of up to 99.3 per cent. We demonstrate the tunability of the exchange interaction between the two spins from 0.5 to 18 megahertz and use it to execute coherent two-qubit controlled rotations. The demonstration of 'hot' and universal quantum logic in a semiconductor platform paves the way for quantum integrated circuits that host both the quantum hardware and its control circuitry on the same chip, providing a scalable approach towards practical quantum information processing.

Spin gubits based on guantum dots are among the most promising candidates for large-scale quantum computation<sup>2,9,10</sup>. Quantum coherence can be maintained in these systems for extremely long times<sup>11</sup> by using isotopically enriched silicon (<sup>28</sup>Si) as the host material<sup>12</sup>. This has enabled the demonstration of single-qubit control with fidelities exceeding  $99.9\%^{13,14}$  and the execution of two-qubit logic<sup>15-18</sup>. The potential to build larger systems with quantum dots manifests in the ability to deterministically engineer and optimize qubit locations and interactions using a technology that greatly resembles present-day complementary metal-oxide semiconductor (CMOS) manufacturing. Nonetheless, quantum error correction schemes predict that millions to billions of gubits will be needed for practical guantum information processing<sup>19</sup>. Considering that existing devices use more than one terminal per qubit<sup>20</sup>, wiring up such large systems remains a formidable task. To avoid an interconnect bottleneck, quantum integrated circuits hosting the qubits and their electronic control on the same chip have been proposed<sup>2,3,21</sup>. Whereas these architectures provide an elegant way to greatly increase the qubit count by leveraging the success of classical integrated circuits, a key question is whether the qubits will be robust against the thermal noise imposed by the power dissipation of the electronics. Demonstrating a universal gate set at increased temperatures would therefore be a milestone in the effort towards scalable quantum systems. Recently, Yang et al.8 demonstrated single-qubit control above 1K with silicon quantum dots, but the crucial two-qubit gate could only be performed at a reduced temperature of 40 mK.

Here, we demonstrate all operations required to execute hot universal quantum logic by combining initialization, readout, single-qubit rotations and two-qubit gates, and we perform full two-qubit logic in a quantum circuit operating at 1.1 K. We furthermore examine the temperature dependence of the quantum coherence, which–unlike the spin relaxation process<sup>6</sup>–we find to be hardly affected in the temperature range T = 0.45–1.25 K.

Figure 1a conceptually displays a quantum integrated circuit. Inspired by its classical counterpart, in which only a few control lines are needed to interact with billions of transistors, a quantum integrated circuit hosts the quantum hardware and its electronic control on the same chip to provide a scalable solution<sup>20</sup>. Here we focus on the quantum hardware of such a circuit, which we implement using silicon quantum dots.

Figure 1b shows the silicon quantum dot device. The qubits are realized in an isotopically purified <sup>28</sup>Si epilayer with a <sup>29</sup>Si residual concentration of 800 ppm. The fabrication of the quantum dot device is based on an overlapping-gate scheme to allow the integration of tightly confined quantum dots<sup>22,23</sup>. Electrons can be loaded either from the reservoir or from the single-electron transistor (SET)<sup>24</sup>, which is also used for charge sensing. To enable coherent control over the electron spins, a.c. currents are applied through the on-chip aluminium microwave antenna.

Figure 1c shows a charge stability diagram of the double quantum dot, where the qubits  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  and their coupling are defined by using the gates  $P_1$ ,  $B_{12}$  and  $P_2$ . Because we can freely choose the occupancy of the

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**Fig. 1** | **Large-scale approach for silicon qubits. a**, Quantum integrated circuit hosting the qubits and their control electronics on the same chip. The control functionality that can be integrated is strongly dependent on the available cooling power. When the qubits can be coherently controlled above 1 K, a broad range of electronics may be integrated. At the lowest-temperature stage, multiplexing strategies can be combined with digital-to-analogue converters, microwave control and local readout, so that only digital signals need to be processed at room temperature. Additionally, long-distance spin-qubit coupling mechanisms would allow to build modular architectures in which widely sparsed qubit arrays and local electronics alternate on the same chip, further alleviating fan-out and wiring issues<sup>2</sup>. **b**, Scanning electron microscope image of a quantum device identical to the one measured. Gates P<sub>1</sub> and P<sub>2</sub> define the two quantum dots and gate B<sub>12</sub> controls the inter-dot tunnel coupling. The SET, defined by the top gate (ST) and the two barriers (RB and LB), is used both

two quantum dots, we tune to the regime in which we obtain optimal exchange coupling, which we find to have one and five electrons for  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , respectively. We then operate the system close to the (5, 1)–(4, 2) charge anticrossing.

Single spins are often initialized via energy-selective tunnelling to a nearby reservoir<sup>25</sup>. However, this method requires a Zeeman splitting much higher than the thermal broadening, limiting the fidelity and making the method impractical for high-temperature operation. Instead, Pauli spin blockade offers a convenient mechanism to perform initialization and readout<sup>2,7</sup>, with a relevant energy scale corresponding to the singlet-triplet energy splitting, which is set by the large and tunable valley splitting energy in silicon metal-oxide-semiconductor (SiMOS) devices<sup>26</sup>. This method is more robust against thermal noise and enables independent optimization of the qubit operation frequency. We choose to set the magnetic field to B = 0.25 T, which corresponds to addressable qubits with Larmor frequencies  $v_{Q1}$  = 6.949 GHz and  $v_{Q2}$  = 6.958 GHz in the absence of exchange interaction. This low-frequency operation reduces the qubit sensitivity to electrical noise that couples in via spin-orbit coupling<sup>27</sup>. Additionally, it simplifies the demands on the electronic control circuits and reduces the cable losses.

The pulse sequence used in the experiment is schematically shown in Fig. 2a. The sequence starts by pulsing deep into the (4, 2) charge state, where the spins quickly relax to the singlet state. An adiabatic pulse to the (5, 1) regime is applied to initialize the system in the |+1> state. At this detuning energy  $\varepsilon$ , single- and two-qubit gate operations are performed by applying a microwave burst with variable frequency and duration. The sequence ends by adiabatically pulsing to the anticrossing where readout is performed. The antiparallel spin state with the lowest energy (which, in this experiment, is the state |41>) couples directly to the singlet (4, 2) charge state. The remaining antiparallel spin state (|1+>)

as a charge sensor and as a reservoir<sup>24</sup>, whereas the tunnel rate is controlled by Bt. Gates C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> confine the electrons in the three quantum dots. Gates R, Br, P<sub>3</sub> and B<sub>23</sub> are kept grounded during the experiment. The qubits are driven via electron spin resonance (ESR). **c**, Electron occupancy as a function of the detuning energy between the two quantum dots,  $\varepsilon$ , and on-site repulsion energy, *U*. The data are centred at the (4, 2)–(5, 1) anticrossing. The electron transitions are measured via a lock-in technique<sup>35</sup>, by applying an excitation of 133 Hz on gate B<sub>12</sub>. Both electrons are loaded from the SET, with Q<sub>2</sub> having a tunnelling rate considerably lower than Q<sub>1</sub>. **d**, Probability to detect a triplet state, P<sub>triplet</sub>, as a function of readout position,  $\varepsilon_{read}$ , and microwave frequency applied to Q<sub>2</sub>,  $\Delta f$ . When the readout level is positioned between the singlet– triplet energy splitting and the microwave frequency matches the resonance frequency of Q<sub>2</sub>, we correctly read out the transition from state |41⟩ to the blocked state |41⟩.

two parallel spin states ( $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$ ,  $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$ ) couple to the three triplet (4, 2) charge states. This allows us to map  $|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$  and the other basis states to different charge configurations ((4, 2) or (5, 1) states), which can be read out using the SET. As shown in Fig. 1d, the optimal readout position can be obtained by sweeping  $\varepsilon$  and applying a  $\pi$ -pulse to Q<sub>2</sub>. From the detuning lever arm of  $\alpha_{\varepsilon} = 0.044$  eV V<sup>-1</sup>, extracted from the thermal broadening of the polarization line, we find a readout window of 155 µeV, where we can efficiently discriminate between the singlet and triplet states.

In this high-temperature operation mode, the readout visibility is mainly limited by the broadening of the SET peaks. To maximize the sensitivity, we subtract a reference signal from each trace and then we average and normalize the resulting signal (for more details on the readout see Extended Data Figs. 1, 2).

Figure 2b–g shows the single-qubit characterization of the two-qubit system. We observe clear Rabi oscillations for both qubits (Fig. 2b, c) as a function of the microwave burst duration. From the decay of the Ramsey fringes (Fig. 2d, e) we extract dephasing times  $T^*_{2(Q1)} = 2.1 \,\mu\text{s}$  and  $T^*_{2(Q2)} = 2.7 \,\mu\text{s}$ , comparable to experiments at similar high temperatures<sup>8</sup>. These times are considerably shorter than the longest reported times<sup>11</sup> for <sup>28</sup>Si; however, they are still longer than the dephasing times for natural silicon at base temperature<sup>16,17</sup>. Furthermore, we measure spin lifetimes (see Extended Data Fig. 4) of  $T_{1(Q1)} = 2.0 \,\text{ms}$  and  $T_{1(Q2)} = 3.7 \,\text{ms}$ , consistent with values reported in a similar device at a similar operating temperature<sup>6</sup>.

We characterize the performance of the single-qubit gates of the two qubits by performing randomized benchmarking<sup>28</sup>. In the manipulation phase, we apply sequences of random gates extracted from the Clifford group, followed by a recovery gate that brings the system to the  $|44\rangle$  and  $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$  states for Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub>, respectively. By fitting the decay of the readout signal as a function of the number of applied gates to



**Fig. 2** | **Single-qubit characterization at 1.1 K. a**, Pulse sequence used for the experiments. Qubits Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are defined on the spin states of single electrons, and the remaining four electrons in Q<sub>2</sub> fill the first levels and do not contribute to the experiment. A voltage ramp allows adiabatic transitions between the (5, 1) and (4, 2) charge states. The antiparallel spin state |<sup>4</sup>) couples directly with the singlet S(4, 2) state. Each measurement cycle consists of two of these sequences. The second cycle contains no microwave pulses and it is used as a reference to cancel low-frequency drifts during readout. **b**, **c**, Rabi oscillations for both qubits as a function of microwave pulse duration. We extract decay

an exponential decay, we extract qubit fidelities of  $F_{\rm Q1} = (98.7 \pm 0.3)\%$ and  $F_{\rm Q2} = (99.3 \pm 0.2)\%$ , with the second one above the fault-tolerance threshold.

We now turn to the two-qubit gate characterization. The ability to tune the exchange interaction<sup>9</sup> is the basis of performing two-qubit operations with electrons in quantum dots. By turning on the exchange interaction, by controlling either the detuning energy or the tunnel coupling, the resonance frequencies of each qubit shift, depending on the spin state of the other qubit. The central inset in Fig. 3a shows this frequency shift for both gubits as a function of the detuning energy between the two quantum dots, with and without a  $\pi$ -pulse applied to flip the spin state of the other qubit. The full exchange spectrum is composed of the transitions  $f_1(|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \rightarrow |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle), f_2(|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \rightarrow |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle), f_3(|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \rightarrow |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle)$  and  $f_4(|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \rightarrow |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle)$ . The exchange interaction J can be extracted as the differ $ences f_2 - f_1 and f_4 - f_{3'}$  from which we measure the tunable / to be in the range 0.5-18 MHz (see Fig. 4a). At even larger exchange couplings, the readout visibility drastically reduces, which we attribute to a decrease of  $T_2^*$  (see Fig. 4b). By fitting the exchange spectrum (see Supplementary Information section I), we extract a tunnel coupling of  $t_c = 0.8$  GHz and a Zeeman energy difference of  $\delta E_z = 9.1$  MHz.

Having demonstrated the tunability of the exchange interaction, we use it to demonstrate two-qubit operation. When the exchange is turned on, the resulting shift in resonance frequency can be used to implement state-selective electron spin resonance transitions (coherent two-qubit controlled rotations, CROT), which are equivalent to a CNOT gate up to single-qubit phases. Figure 3a shows controlled oscillations for both

time constants of  $T_{2(Q1)}^{\text{Rabi}} = 8 \,\mu\text{s}$  and  $T_{2(Q2)}^{\text{Rabi}} = 14 \,\mu\text{s}$ . **d**, **e**, Decay of the Ramsey fringes for both qubits. The data correspond to the average of four traces, and each point is obtained from 500 single-shot traces. **f**, **g**, Randomized benchmarking of the single-qubit gates for both qubits. Each data point is obtained from 500 averages of 20 Clifford sequences, for a total of 10,000 single-shot traces. The fidelity reported refers to the primitive gates, and a Clifford gate contains on average 1.875 primitive gates. We have normalized the state probabilities to remove the readout errors. Error bars are 1 s.d. from the mean.

qubits, with the control qubit set to either the spin-down or the spin-up state, where we have set the exchange interaction toJ = 2.5 MHz. When we prepare the state of the control qubit such that the target qubit is in resonance with the external microwave control, we observe clear oscillations of the target qubit as a function of the microwave burst duration, with no substantial decay after multiple rotations. When we flip the state of the control qubit, the resonance frequency of the target qubit is shifted, and the target qubit is not driven by the microwave control.

To investigate the coherence of the two-qubit logic, we apply a sequence in which we interleave a CROT operation with duration  $2\pi$  between two  $\pi/2$  single-qubit gates applied to the control qubit with variable phase  $\theta$ . As shown in Fig. 3b, when we invert the second  $\pi/2$  pulse ( $\theta = \pi$ ), this cancels out the  $\pi$  phase left by the CROT operation on the control qubit and we correctly measure transitions to the  $|\mu\rangle$  and  $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$  states. This demonstrates the execution of a coherent CROT, because the control qubit maintains its coherence even when the target qubit is driven.

To show the universality of our gate set, we also demonstrate two-qubit randomized benchmarking. We apply random gates from the two-qubit Clifford group that contains 11,520 elements. Next, we recover the state to  $|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$  and measure how the singlet probability decays over the number of applied gates. The decay is shown in Fig. 3d and the primitive gates used are presented in Fig. 3c. The lower fidelity,  $F = (86.1 \pm 0.6)\%$ , compared to the single-qubit benchmark can be attributed to the longer time spent by the qubits idling, which causes them to decohere faster. Possible improvements include simultaneous driving





1.0 **Triplet** probability 0.8 0.6 0.4 0.2 0 2π 0 π  $\theta$  (rad) d  $F = (86.1 \pm 0.6)\%$ |↓↑⟩ state probability 1.0 0.8 0.6 0.4 0 5 10 Number of Clifford gates

2X

X/2

**Fig. 3** | **Exchange and two-qubit logic at 1.1 K. a**, Conditional rotations on all frequencies  $f_i$ . The colour code refers to the central inset, which shows the full exchange diagram obtained from a Gaussian fit of the data shown in Extended Data Fig. 3. The frequency offset is 6.948 GHz. The black lines correspond to the same transition  $f_i$ , driven with the control qubit in the opposite state. An initialization  $\pi$ -pulse and a recovery  $\pi$ -pulse are applied to the control qubit for the sequences in which either  $Q_1$  is in the spin-down state or  $Q_2$  is in the spin-up state. All Rabi frequencies are set to approximately 1 MHz by adjusting the power of the microwave source to compensate for the frequency-dependent attenuation of the a.c. line carrying the microwave signal. Even when the exchange interaction is turned on, we find the resonance frequencies of both qubits to be stable over the course of several hours (see Extended Data Fig. 5). **b**, Phase acquired by the control qubit during a CROT operation. A CROT gate, together with a *Z* rotation of  $\pi/2$  on the control qubit is equivalent to a CNOT

of two transitions to reduce idling times, optimized pulse shaping to reduce accidental excitations of nearby transitions, and operation at the symmetry point<sup>29,30</sup>.

To further investigate the quantum coherence of the system, we measure the decay of the Ramsey fringes for different values of the exchange interaction; see Fig. 4b. We find that by increasing the exchange interaction the coherence is reduced, which we explain by the increased qubit sensitivity to electrical noise. We can fit the data with a model (see Supplementary Information section II and Supplementary Fig. 1a) that includes quasi-static electrical noise coupling via the exchange interaction and via the Zeeman energy difference between the two qubits. From the fit we extract the fluctuation amplitudes  $\delta_{\varepsilon} = 21 \,\mu\text{eV}$  (corresponding to a power spectrum of  $A_{\varepsilon} \approx 6 \,\mu\text{eV} \,\text{Hz}^{-1/2}$  at 1 Hz) and  $\delta E_z = 400 \,\text{kHz}$ . The noise in  $\varepsilon$  is comparable to values extracted at fridge base temperature<sup>31</sup> and consistent with charge noise values extracted from current fluctuation measurements of SETs (see Supplementary Information)<sup>6,32</sup>.

To analyse the thermal impact, we characterize the temperature dependence of  $T_2^*$  for two exchange interaction values (J = 0.5 MHz and J = 2.5 MHz) and we find it to be approximately stable in the range T = 0.45 - 1.25 K (see Fig. 4c). Although weak temperature dependencies of  $T_2^*$  have been reported in other single-qubit experiments<sup>8</sup>, we observe

operation. Z gates are implemented by a software change of the reference frame. **c**, Primitive gates used to generate the two-qubit Clifford group (11,520 gates in total). On average, each Clifford gate contains 2.5694 primitive gates. Because the Z/2 gates are implemented via a software change of the reference frame, they are not included in the gate count. All gates shown in the figure (except for the Z/2 gate) are implemented with two  $\pi/2$  controlled rotations. The compilation scheme is identical to the one in ref.<sup>18</sup>. **d**, Decay of the  $|\downarrow1\rangle$  state probability as a function of the number of two-qubit Clifford gates applied. A recovery gate returns the system to the  $|\downarrow1\rangle$  state. Because we include the recovery gate in the Clifford gate count, the first data point correponds to two gates applied. Each data point corresponds to the average of 150 random sequences. The fidelity  $F = (86.1 \pm 0.6)\%$  corresponds to the average fidelity of the primitve gates shown in **c**. We have normalized the state probabilities to remove the readout errors. Error bars are 1 s.d. from the mean.

here that the weak temperature dependence is maintained even when the exchange interaction is set to an appreciable value, where we can perform two-qubit logic.

The electrical noise that limits  $T_2^*$  can potentially originate from extrinsic or intrinsic sources. Although we cannot rule out all extrinsic noise sources, we have confirmed that attenuating the transmission lines does not affect  $T_2^*$ , and we thus rule out a direct impact of the waveform generator and the microwave source. When intrinsic charge noise is the dominant contribution, a simple model based on an infinite number of two-level fluctuators (TLFs) predicts a square-root dependence of the dephasing rate on the temperature<sup>33</sup>. However, this model assumes a constant activation energy distribution of the TLFs. Deviations from this assumption have been observed in SET measurements, leading to anomalous temperature dependencies<sup>34</sup>. The small size of quantum dots, in particular SiMOS qubits, may lead to only a few TLFs being relevant for the dephasing, and these may explain the observed weak temperature dependence (see Supplementary Information section III for more details).

Importantly, the weak dependence of  $T_2^*$  on the temperature makes silicon qubits remarkably robust against thermal noise, enabling the execution of a universal quantum gate set. The ability to operate lithographically defined qubits above 1 K resolves one of the key challenges



**Fig. 4** | **Dependence of dephasing on temperature and exchange interaction. a**, Exchange energy measured as a function of detuning. The data correspond to  $f_2 - f_1$  and  $f_4 - f_3$  as obtained from Fig. 3a. **b**, Dephasing time of  $Q_2$ as a function of the exchange interaction, fitted with a model that takes into account Gaussian quasi-static noise (see Supplementary Information section

towards the integration of quantum hardware and control electronics on the same chip. This integration can reduce the number of lines going from room temperature to the device and, at the same time, greatly simplify on-chip wiring, facilitating the realization of quantum integrated circuits for large-scale quantum computation.

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### Methods

#### **Experimental setup**

All measurements are performed in a Bluefors dry dilution refrigerator with a base temperature of  $T_{\text{base}} \approx 0.45$  K, operated at T = 1.1 K. The d.c. voltages are applied using battery-powered voltage sources and the a.c. voltages are applied through a bias-tee on the sample printed circuit board with a cut-off frequency of 3 Hz. The pulse sequences are generated by an arbitrary waveform generator (AWG; Tektronix AWG5014C) combined with a microwave signal generated by a Keysight PSG8267D vector source. Electron spin resonance (ESR) currents are delivered via the vector source using the internal IQ mixer, driven by two output channels of the AWG. Both gubits can be addressed by setting the vector source to an intermediate frequency and IO-mixing the signal with a (co-)sine wave generated on channels 3 and 4 of the AWG. For the two-qubit randomized benchmarking experiment, the pulse sequences are generated by a Keysight M3202A AWG, which allows faster waveform uploads. We apply a source-drain bias voltage of  $V_{\rm SD}$  = 0.5 mV to the single-electron transistor and measure the current using an in-house-built transimpedance amplifier.

#### Single-qubit randomized benchmarking

The single-qubit Clifford group  $C_1$  consists of 24 rotations. We implement the group using X and Y rotations, using the primitive gates: { $I, \pm X/2, \pm Y/2, \pm X, \pm Y$ }. On average one Clifford gate contains 1.875 primitive gates. We implement the gates using only frequencies  $f_1$  and  $f_4$  for  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , respectively. The complete list of gates is given in Extended Data Table 1.

The phase control needed to implement *X* and *Y* rotations is achieved using the internal IQ mixer of the microwave source. The fidelity reported in the main text refers to the average fidelity of the gates in the generator group.

#### Two-qubit randomized benchmarking

The two-qubit Clifford group  $C_2$  consist of 11,520 elements  $c_2$  with properties  $c_2^{\dagger}Pc_2 \in \pm P$ , where *P* are the Pauli operators. We generate the Clifford gates in our experiment using the set of conditional rotations in Fig. 3a, where two subsequent conditional rotations implement a

primitive gate. We compile the Clifford gates from the set of primitive gates together with virtual Z/2 gates on both qubits and search for combinations with the minimal number of gates. The resulting average Clifford gate consists of 2.5694 primitive gates, which are calibrated so that each conditional rotation takes exactly 330 ns, with the exchange interaction set to 3 MHz. To minimize cross-talk, the timing and the exchange interaction are chosen such that the off-resonant pulse is synchronized with the resonant pulse.

#### Data availability

All data underlying this study will become available on the 4TU ResearchData repository, https://doi.org/10.4121/uuid:22653416-85b0-4d7d-ad48-65967f9ea7ad.

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Extended Data Fig. 1 | Charge readout and visibility. a, Histograms of the readout signal for the singlet and triplet state for two operating temperatures. The sensitivity is reduced at higher temperatures, mainly because of the thermal broadening of the Coulomb peaks. The readout signal is obtained by subtracting a reference line obtained from a sequence with no microwave pulse applied. The integration time corresponds to 40 µs. The readout fidelity may

be improved by optimizing the charge sensing<sup>36</sup> and by using a radiofrequency reflectometry or dispersive measurement scheme, as shown in ref.<sup>7</sup>. **b**, Rabi oscillations of  $Q_1$  (see also Fig. 2b), obtained by assigning the state spin-up or spin-down to each single-shot trace, by using a threshold obtained from the histograms in **a**. From the data we can extract the visibility, which we find to be  $V \approx 0.2$  at T = 1.1 K.



**Extended Data Fig. 2** | **Spin-to-charge conversion. a**, Normalized probability of detecting the four two-electron spin states as a triplet state (U, spin up; D, spin down). The probability that the triplet antiparallel spin state is correctly identified as a triplet can be reduced by the non-perfect adiabaticity of the pulse and by a faster triplet-singlet relaxation.



**Extended Data Fig. 3** | **Exchange interaction. a**, **b**, Resonance frequency of both qubits as a function of the detuning energy. **a**, Transitions $f_1$  and  $f_4$ . **b**, Transitions $f_2$  and  $f_3$ . We measure the excited states by ESR-controlled spin flips applied to the control qubit.



**Extended Data Fig. 4** | **Relaxation times. a**, **b**, Single-spin relaxation times of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . The measurements are performed by fitting the decay of the states  $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$  and  $|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$  to state  $|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$ . We extract  $T_{1(Q1)} = 2.0$  ms and  $T_{1(Q2)} = 3.7$  ms, consistent

with ref.  $^{\rm 6}.$  Triplet probabilities have been normalized to remove readout errors.



**Extended Data Fig. 5** | **Time dependence of the resonance frequencies and the readout point. a**, Time dependence of the resonance frequencies  $f_1$  and  $f_4$  of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , respectively. The exchange interaction is set to 2.5 MHz. The data have been offset by 6.9491 GHz and 6.9620 GHz for  $f_1$  and  $f_4$ , respectively.

**b**, Time dependence of the readout point obtained by sweeping along the detuning axis in a measurement identical to the one shown in Fig. 1d. The best readout point is achieved with a Gaussian fit of the visibility peak.



**Extended Data Fig. 6** | **Dephasing times for Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> as a function of exchange interaction. a**, Dephasing times of Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> as a function of exchange interaction, fitted with the model discussed in Supplementary Information section II. Because of the different tuning configuration, the dephasing times are slightly longer than the ones reported in the main text. In this configuration, we measure a tunnel couping of  $t_c = 0.8$  GHz and a Zeeman energy difference of  $\delta E_z = 10.6$  MHz. Error bars are 1 s.d. from the mean.

		Sin	gle-qubit Cliffo	ords		
	X/2, Y/2	Y/2, X/2	X/2	Y/2	X, Y/2	Y, X/2
Х	X/2, -Y/2	Y/2, -X/2	-X/2	-Y/2	X, -Y/2	Y, -X/2
Y	-X/2, Y/2	-Y/2, X/2	-X/2, Y,	′2, X/2	X/2, Y	/2, X/2
ζ, Χ	-X/2, -Y/2	-Y/2, -X/2	-X/2, -Y/2, X/2		-X/2, Y/2, -X/2	