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“The Quantum Internet will transform how we communicate, compute and measure our universe. Using long-distance entanglement, we can execute cryptographic functions that strengthen the security of classical communications, measure physical phenomena more precisely than purely classical systems, and ultimately couple quantum computers together to extend the size of problems they can solve. But how can we build such a network? Experimental progress toward quantum repeaters -- the quantum equivalent of the Internet's switches and routers -- is moving at a dizzying rate, and theorists have proposed half a dozen approaches to managing errors to create high-fidelity entanglement along a chain of repeaters. The next frontier is extending from one-dimensional chains to complex topologies, and on to a network of networks -- a true Quantum Internet. In this talk, I will bridge the physics and the engineering to give a picture of the current status and open research problems.”