

CSBB 311 : QUANTUM COMPUTING

LAB ASSIGNMENT 6 : Grover's Search with an unknown number of solutions

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Theory -

1. Introduction to Grover's Search Algorithm

- Grover's Search Algorithm is a quantum algorithm that efficiently searches an unsorted database or solves black-box search problems. It provides a quadratic speedup over classical algorithms, reducing the number of queries required to find a solution.

2. Grover's Search with an Unknown Number of Solutions

- The central idea remains the same: Grover's algorithm uses quantum parallelism to evaluate multiple possibilities at once, and then iteratively amplifies the amplitude of the correct solutions. The search process is repeated $O(\sqrt{N/M})$ times, where M is the number of solutions in the database, providing an efficient way to locate all solutions.

3. Workflow of Grover's Search Algorithm

- **Quantum Circuit Initialization:** Initialize a superposition state over all possible database entries using Hadamard gates, creating an equal amplitude state.
- **Oracle Query:** Apply the oracle function, which marks the correct solutions by flipping their amplitudes. In this case, the oracle can mark multiple solutions but will flip the phase of each one.
- **Amplitude Amplification:** The diffusion operator acts by inverting the amplitude of each state about the average amplitude of all states.
- **Measurement:** After sufficient iterations, measure the state of the quantum register. The measurement will yield one of the solutions with high probability, and further measurements can be made to find additional solutions.

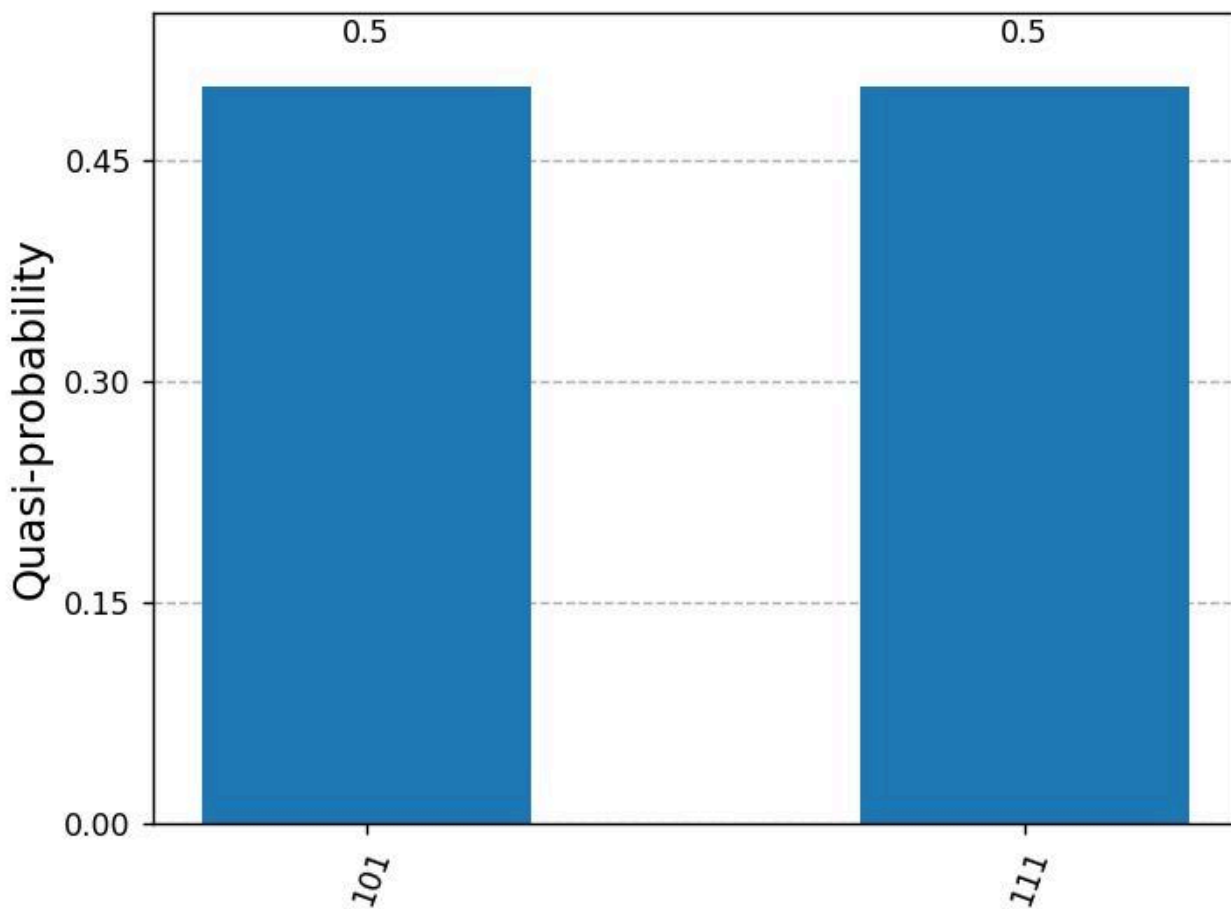
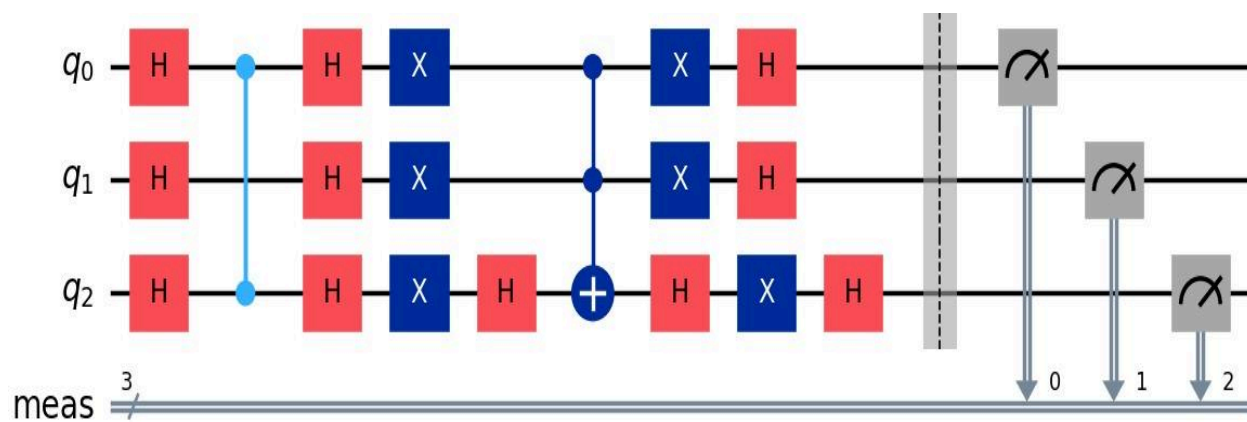
4. Importance of Grover's Algorithm

- Grover's algorithm with an unknown number of solutions is crucial for efficiently solving search problems in situations where classical methods would require a linear number of queries.

Code (Grover Search) -

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1  from qiskit import QuantumCircuit , execute
2  from qiskit_aer import Aer
3  from qiskit.visualization import plot_histogram, circuit_drawer
4  from qiskit.circuit.library import MCXGate
5  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
6
7  # Create a 3-qubit quantum circuit for Grover's search
8  n = 3 # Number of qubits
9  qc = QuantumCircuit(n)
10
11 # Apply Hadamard gates to create a superposition
12 qc.h(range(n))
13
14 # Example oracle for marking the state |101>
15 qc.cz(0, 2)
16
17 # Apply the diffusion operator (inversion about the mean)
18 qc.h(range(n))
19 qc.x(range(n))
20 qc.h(n - 1)
21
22 # Add a multi-controlled Toffoli gate using MCXGate
23 mct_gate = MCXGate(num_ctrl_qubits=n-1) # Create an MCX gate with (n-1) control qubits
24 qc.append(mct_gate, range(n)) # Append the gate to the circuit
25
26 qc.h(n - 1)
27 qc.x(range(n))
28 qc.h(range(n))
29
30 # Measure the qubits
31 qc.measure_all()
32
33 # Visualize the quantum circuit
34 circuit_diagram = circuit_drawer(qc, output='mpl')
35 plt.show() # Display the circuit diagram
36
37 # Use Aer simulator to simulate and get results
38 simulator = Aer.get_backend('qasm_simulator')
39 job = execute(qc, backend=simulator, shots=1024)
40 result = job.result()
41 counts = result.get_counts()
42
43 # Plot and visualize the result
44 plot_histogram(counts)
45 plt.show()
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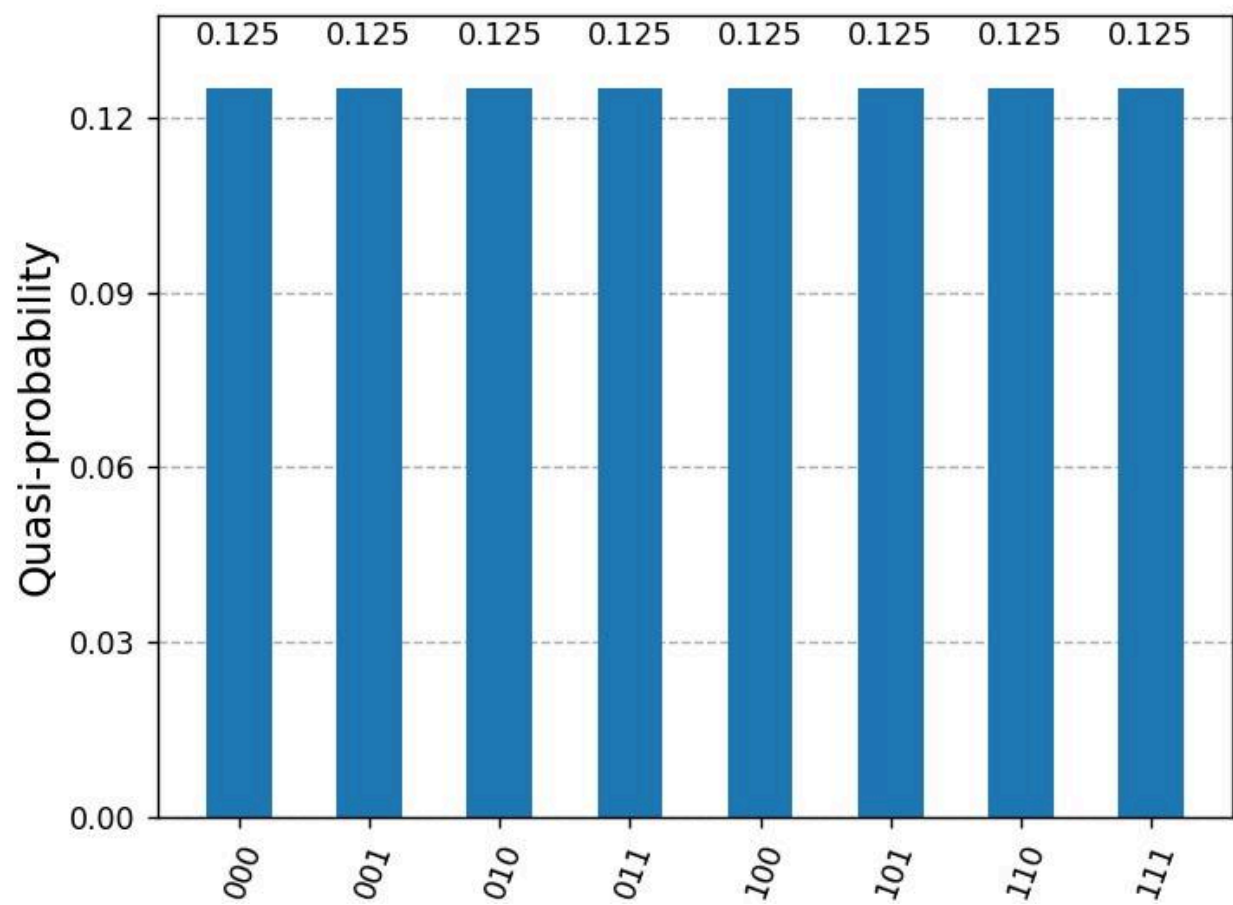
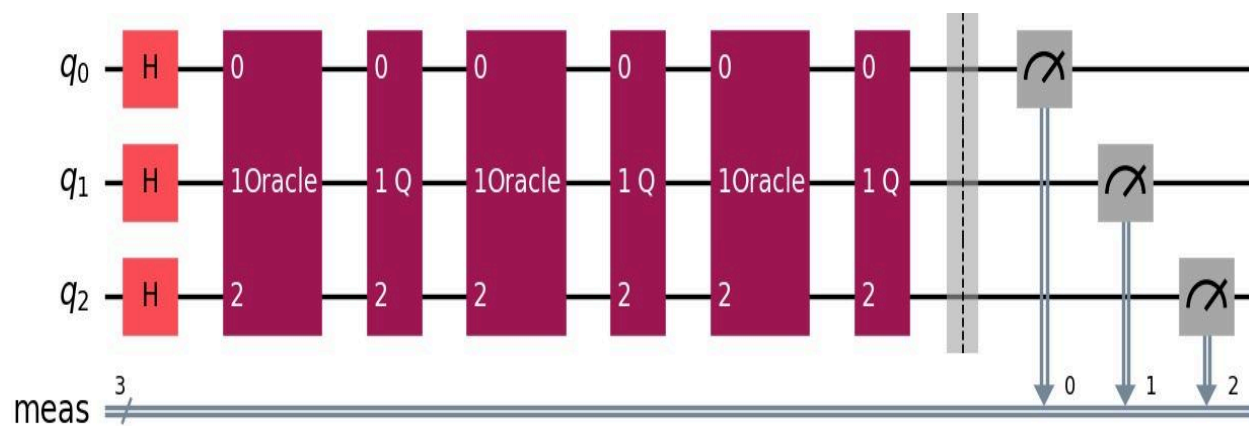
Output -



Code -

```
1  from qiskit import QuantumCircuit, transpile
2  from qiskit_aer import Aer
3  from qiskit.primitives import Sampler
4  from qiskit.circuit.library import GroverOperator
5  from qiskit.visualization import plot_histogram, circuit_drawer
6  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
7
8  # Define a custom oracle for multiple solutions
9  def custom_oracle(n):
10     oracle = QuantumCircuit(n)
11     # Mark states |001> and |110> as solutions
12     oracle.cz(0, 2)
13     oracle.cz(1, 2)
14     oracle.name = "Oracle"
15     return oracle
16
17 # Set up the circuit for 3 qubits
18 n = 3
19 oracle = custom_oracle(n)
20
21 # Create the Grover diffusion operator
22 grover_operator = GroverOperator(oracle)
23
24 # Initialize Grover's search circuit
25 iterations = 3 # Number of iterations for Grover's algorithm
26 qc = QuantumCircuit(n)
27 qc.h(range(n)) # Initial Hadamard gates for superposition
28
29 # Apply Grover iterations
30 for _ in range(iterations):
31     qc.append(oracle, range(n))
32     qc.append(grover_operator, range(n))
33
34 # Measure all qubits
35 qc.measure_all()
36
37 # Visualize the quantum circuit
38 circuit_diagram = circuit_drawer(qc, output='mpl')
39 plt.show()
40
41 # Use Sampler to simulate and get results
42 sampler = Sampler()
43 backend = Aer.get_backend('aer_simulator')
44 transpiled_qc = transpile(qc, backend)
45 result = sampler.run(transpiled_qc).result()
46 counts = result.quasi_dists[0].binary_probabilities()
47
48 # Display the results
49 plot_histogram(counts)
50 plt.show()
```

Output -



Conclusion -

- **Efficiency-Scalability Trade-off:** Grover's Search Algorithm offers a trade-off between efficiency and scalability when applied to problems with an unknown number of solutions. As the number of solutions increases, the number of required iterations grows, which impacts the quantum resources needed for execution.
- **Algorithmic Significance:** Grover's Search Algorithm is a cornerstone in quantum computing, showcasing the power of quantum parallelism for solving search problems in unsorted databases.