# 1 Qiskit Assignment 0

#### 1.1 README

Welcome to your first Qiskit assignment! Qiskit is IBM's open-source SDK for working with quantum computers. We will be using Qiskit for programming assignments this semester. This assignment will help you begin to familiarize yourself with the assignment workflow.

Qiskit assignments generally contain a mix of code problems and short answer questions. Some questions will be autograded and others are graded by hand. Make sure to follow all instructions to receive full credit. You should fill in code wherever you see ..., and you should not change the code given to you unless explicitly stated to. Nearly all needed code can be found in linked documentation throughout your notebook.

When debugging your solutions, fix the top error first as subsequent tests may not pass if preliminary ones fail. Minimal credit will be awarded to solutions that do not pass all tests.

To submit your assignment, follow instructions at the bottom of the notebook and **submit only to the corresponding "auto" assignment** (e.g. qiskit 0 auto). Double check your autograder score on Gradescope to ensure it matches the output of your local tests.

#### 1.1.1 Learning Objectives

- 1. Get familiar with Qiskit
- 2. Understand the difference between classical and quantum bits
- 3. Build simple quantum circuits
- 4. Run a circuit on a quantum computer

# 1.1.2 Resources

Qiskit assignments are designed to be collaborative and open internet. Where possible, links to useful documentation will be embedded within questions. You're free to discuss these tasks with TAs and peers, but do **write your own solutions**. For some questions, there may be additional restrictions on the ways you can solve them. To ensure compliance with course policies and assignment instructions, we reserve the right to inspect your code.

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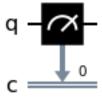
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In []: # RUN THIS CELL!
    # Import Qiskit and other needed packages
    from qiskit import *
    from qiskit.visualization import plot_histogram
    from qiskit.quantum_info import Statevector
    from qiskit_textbook.tools import array_to_latex
    from qiskit.providers.ibmq import least_busy
    import numpy as np
    import pprint
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Task 1 - Building a Circuit (20 pts) Using Qiskit's Quantum Circuit class, fill in the simple Circuit () function as follows:

- Create a quantum circuit with 1 qubit and 1 classical bit
- Measure the qubit
- Return the circuit

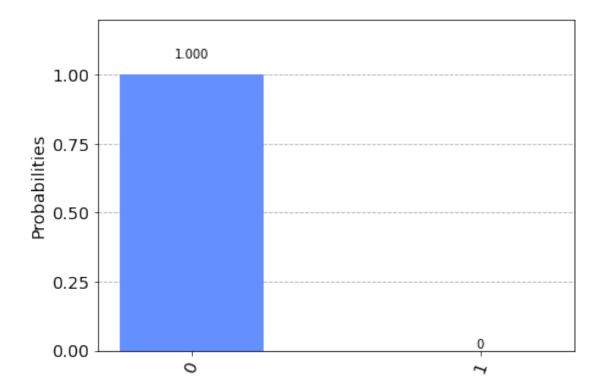
Task 2 - Drawing Circuits (20 pts) We can visualize circuits using the QuantumCircuit's draw method.

Draw your circuit from Task 1 using the matplotlib format.



Task 3 - Simulating Circuits and Getting Results (10 pts) Circuits aren't very helpful unless we can run them and observe the outputs. We will frequently use the qasm simulator to simulate our circuit on a quantum machine.

Create a job that runs a simple Circuit 468 times. You will find these docs useful. (Think: Do the results match what we'd expect from this circuit?)



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Task 4 - Running Your Circuit on a Quantum Computer (20 pts) Now let's compare our results from the simulator with the results from a real quantum device.

Create an account with IBM Quantum and paste your API token into the code block below.

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In [ ]: # IBMQ.save_account('REPLACE WITH YOUR TOKEN AND UNCOMMENT')
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After running save\_account, please delete your token from the previous cell and save your notebook. This keeps your token private to you and ensures the autograder does not time out. Credentials will be saved to your computer, and calling load\_account is sufficient to retrieve them for future assignments.

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In [ ]: IBMQ.load_account()
Out[ ]: <AccountProvider for IBMQ(hub='ibm-q', group='open', project='main')>
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The code block below lists some info about the available IBM quantum devices and queues.

```
In [ ]: provider = IBMQ.get_provider(hub='ibm-q')
        for backend in provider.backends():
            status = backend.status().to_dict()
            if status['operational'] and status['status_msg'] == 'active':
                if 'simulator' not in status['backend_name']:
                    print(pprint.pformat(status))
{'backend_name': 'ibmq_lima',
 'backend_version': '1.0.40',
 'operational': True,
 'pending_jobs': 111,
 'status_msg': 'active'}
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 'status_msg': 'active'}
{'backend_name': 'ibm_oslo',
 'backend_version': '1.0.14',
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We can also use the least\_busy method to pick the quantum device with the fewest pending jobs.

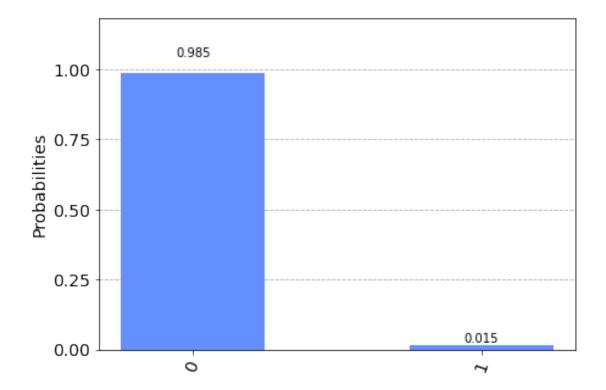
Least busy quantum computer: ibmq\_belem

Choose one of the backends from above and insert its name into the code block below. Running this code block will execute your circuit on an IBM quantum device. **Note: It may take a while for your job to complete based on queue times.** Use the generated link to check your job's status.

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In []: ibmqc = provider.get_backend('...REPLACE WITH A BACKEND NAME...')

job = execute(simpleCircuit(), ibmqc, shots=468)
print("Check job status here:", "https://quantum-computing.ibm.com/jobs/" + job.job_id())
res = job.result()
counts_ibm = res.get_counts()
plot_histogram(counts_ibm)
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Check job status here: https://quantum-computing.ibm.com/jobs/639f8dc1a8e4a113e1b3cae2



Do you see the same results as the qasm simulator? Why or why not? What is the error rate?

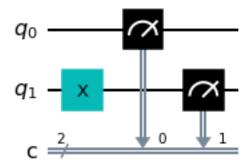
Type your answer here, replacing this text.

No. There is error induced by the quantum computer's inherent noise which causes some measurements to yield  $|1\rangle$ . The error rate is about 1.5%.

Task 5 - Another Circuit (15 pts) We now turn to Qiskit's Pauli X gate so that we can prepare qubits in the  $|1\rangle$  state.

There is also a brief discussion of this gate at the end of lecture 1: Background.

- Fill in the below function to return a new QuantumCircuit with 2 qubits and 2 classical bits
- Prepare the first qubit in state  $|0\rangle$  and the second in state  $|1\rangle$
- Perform a measurement of each qubit onto its corresponding classical bit
- Draw the circuit using matplotlib



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Task 6 - More Counts (15 pts) Think about what output you expect to see from this circuit. - Run your circuit on the qasm simulator 468 times - Store the measurement results in counts\_oppo

Note that the following cell uses Qiskit's reverse\_bits() function. This flips the ordering of qubits in a multi-qubit circuit and changes the endianness of the resulting statevector,  $|01\rangle$ . The reasons for this will become clear in the upcoming lectures and notebook assignments.

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In []: qc = opposites().reverse_bits()

# BEGIN SOLUTION

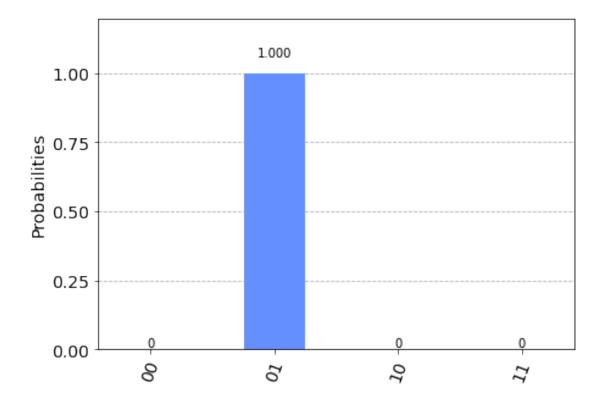
job = execute(qc, BasicAer.get_backend("qasm_simulator"), shots=468)

counts_oppo = job.result().get_counts()

# END SOLUTION

for state in ['00','01','10','11']:
    if state not in counts_oppo:
        counts_oppo[state] = 0

plot_histogram(counts_oppo)
```



In [ ]: grader.check("Task 6")

# 1.2 Conclusion

This is the general workflow of building and running quantum circuits. We will introduce more qubits and gates as needed to solve problems.

Next time: the unitary gate and single qubit circuits!

# 1.3 Submission

Make sure you have run all cells in your notebook in order before running the cell below, so that all images/graphs appear in the output. The cell below will generate a zip file for you to submit. **Please save before exporting!**