

Quantum Galton Board

Monte Carlo Simulation via Quantum Circuits

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Project Goals:

- Implement Universal Statistical Simulator
- Generate quantum circuits for Monte Carlo problems
- Explore quantum advantage in statistical sampling

☰ Completed Tasks:

- ✓ Task 1: Literature Review & Theory
- ✓ Task 2: General Algorithm Implementation
- ✓ Task 3: Alternative Distributions

Key Innovation

Quantum Superposition

Explore all possible paths simultaneously through quantum parallelism

Applications

High-Dimensional Problems

- Particle transport
- Quantum systems
- PDE solutions



Classical Approach:

- Ball follows single path
- Sequential peg interactions
- Probability: $P(k) = \frac{1}{2^n} \binom{n}{k}$
- Gaussian distribution emerges



Quantum Approach:

- Superposition explores all paths
- Parallel computation of outcomes
- Measurement collapses to sample

Circuit Architecture

Single Peg Design:

1. Initialize ball: X gate $\rightarrow |0100\rangle$
2. Superposition: $H \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0100\rangle + |0101\rangle)$
3. Routing: CSWAP + CNOT operations
4. Result: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|1001\rangle + |0011\rangle)$

Resource Requirements:

- **Qubits:** $2n + 2$
- **Gates:** $O(n^2)$ complexity
- **Depth:** Linear in n



Design Philosophy: Clean, scalable architecture with reusable components

Core Functions:

```
def peg(qc: QuantumCircuit, qubit: int):  
    """Single peg with equal left/right probability"""  
    qc.cswap(0, qubit, qubit-1) # Left deflection  
    qc.cx(qubit, 0)             # Update control  
    qc.cswap(0, qubit, qubit+1) # Right deflection  
  
def level(qc: QuantumCircuit, l: int, n: int):  
    """Row of pegs with control management"""  
    peg(qc, n+1-1) # First peg  
    for i in range(n+3-1, n+1+2, 2):  
        qc.cx(i-1, 0) # Reset superposition  
        peg(qc, i)    # Additional pegs
```

Algorithm Flow

1. Initialization

Ball placement in quantum register

2. Level Construction

Systematic peg placement per level

3. Control Management

Reset between levels for independence

4. Measurement

Final state collapse to distribution

Testing Strategy:

- Multiple configurations: 2, 4, 6, 8 levels
- Qiskit AerSimulator with 1024 shots
- Statistical comparison with theory
- Visual distribution analysis

Verification Metrics:

- Close-to-perfect Gaussian emergence
- Left-right symmetry confirmed
- Peak centered at $n/2$ position

Key Achievements:

General algorithm works for any n
Circuit compilation successful
Theoretical predictions matched
Clean modular code architecture
Comprehensive documentation

Performance

Scalability Demonstrated:

Successfully tested up to 8-level boards with excellent statistical agreement

Design Strategy:

- Add one peg per row at right
- Add systematic SWAP operations at left
- Create cumulative bias effect
- Maintain quantum superposition

```
def expo_qgb(n: int) -> QuantumCircuit:
    qc = QuantumCircuit(2*n+2, n+1)
    qc.x(n+1) # Initialize ball
    for l in range(n):
        qc.reset(0)
        qc.h(0) # Standard superposition
        peg(qc, n+1-l) # First peg of level
        # Key modification: SWAP operations
        for i in range(n+3-l, n+1+2, 2):
            qc.swap(i, i+1) # Shift probability
```

Mechanism

SWAP Effect:

Creates systematic bias toward one edge of the distribution

Result:

Exponential decay pattern emerges from quantum interference

Key Features

- Asymmetric probability distribution
- Quantum coherence maintained
- Exponential-like profile achieved

Quantum Walk Theory:

- Different from classical random walk
- Quantum interference creates non-classical behavior
- Coherent evolution across all levels
- Entanglement between position and control

```
def hadamard_walk_qgb(n: int) -> QuantumCircuit:
    qc = QuantumCircuit(2*n+2, n+1)
    qc.x(n+1) # Initialize ball
    for l in range(n):
        qc.h(0) # No reset - key difference!
        level(qc, l, n) # Standard level
        # Additional entanglement
        qc.cx(n+1+2, 0) # Position-dependent control
```

Innovation

No Control Reset:

Maintains quantum coherence between levels for interference effects

Entanglement:

Position-dependent operations create complex quantum correlations

Expected Results

- Quantum interference patterns
- Non-classical distribution shape
- Coherent quantum evolution
- Potentially faster spreading

Standard QGB

Gaussian Profile

- Symmetric bell curve
- Peak at center bins
- Variance $\propto \sqrt{n}$
- Classical binomial limit

Success: Theory matched

Shots: 1024 samples

Levels: Up to 8 tested

Exponential QGB

Decay Pattern

- Asymmetric distribution
- Higher edge probability
- Exponential-like profile
- SWAP-induced bias

Success: Non-Gaussian

Method: SWAP operations

Effect: Clear asymmetry

Hadamard Walk


Quantum Walk

- Interference effects
- Coherent evolution
- Non-classical spread
- Entangled dynamics

Success: Quantum behavior

Method: No control reset

Effect: Interference patterns

 **Technical Achievement:** All three distributions successfully implemented with distinct quantum signatures and clear differentiation from classical expectations

⌘ Code Quality:

- Comprehensive docstrings
- Type hints throughout
- Modular, reusable design
- Systematic testing approach
- Clear variable naming

🔧 Development Stack:

- Qiskit quantum framework
- AerSimulator for noiseless simulation
- Matplotlib for visualization
- Python best practices

Performance Analysis

Resource Scaling:

- $2n + 2$ qubits required
- $O(n^2)$ gate complexity
- Linear circuit depth
- Polynomial classical simulation time

Validation Methods

Verification Strategy:

- Multiple level configurations
- Statistical convergence analysis
- Visual distribution inspection
- Theoretical comparison

Completed Deliverables:

- ✓ **Task 1:** Comprehensive 2-page review
- ✓ **Task 2:** General n -level algorithm
- ✓ **Task 3:** Exponential & Hadamard walk distributions

Key Insights:

- Quantum superposition enables parallel path exploration
- Circuit complexity manageable for moderate sizes
- Clear quantum advantage in statistical sampling

Future Directions

Tasks 4 & 5 Extensions:

- Noise model implementation
- Error mitigation strategies
- Quantitative accuracy metrics
- Statistical uncertainty analysis

Research Impact

Broader Applications:

- Monte Carlo method acceleration
- High-dimensional sampling problems
- Quantum algorithm development
- Statistical simulation frameworks

Thank You

We hope you liked our project.

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