

QP-1A : Single photon interferometer, IBM QC Hardware calculation

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Single Photon Interferometer with the single photon incident HORIZONTALLY (in $|0\rangle$ state)

i) Imports :

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In [14]: # Importing the QiskitRuntimeService class from qiskit_ibm_runtime module
# The QiskitRuntimeService class is used to connect to IBMQ Services
# and run actual IBM QC hardware

# Importing the SamplerV2 class from qiskit_ibm_runtime module
# The SamplerV2 class is used to find the probabilities of output states
from qiskit_ibm_runtime import QiskitRuntimeService, SamplerV2 as Sampler

# Importing the QuantumCircuit class from Qiskit
# The QuantumCircuit class is used to create quantum circuits
from qiskit import QuantumCircuit

# Importing the numpy library
# Numpy is used for working with arrays and perform numerical operations
import numpy as np

# I am importing the transpile function from the qiskit library
# Transpile function is required to ensure that my circuit
# is able to run on the simulator.
from qiskit import transpile

# Importing the plot_histogram function from qiskit
# It used to visualize the simulation result.
from qiskit.visualization import plot_histogram
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ii) Saving IBM QC Instance in local

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In [15]: # The save_account function is used to save my IBMQ account credentials
# channel is service provided by IBM QC
# instance denotes the specific IBM QC instance which I want to use
# The instance available by default is 'open',
# so I am selecting the 'open/main' instance
# token is the IBMQ API token for my account
# set_as_default = True is used to make my account default
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# for all future runs.
# overwrite = True is used to replace any existing account information

# I have commented out this line of code
# beacuse my account credentials are already saved in my local

#QiskitRuntimeService.save_account(channel='ibm_quantum',
#instance='ibm-q/open/main',
#token='paste_my_token',
#set_as_default=True, overwrite=True)

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iii) Loading credentials and checking the available hardware

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In [16]: # I am creating a new object of QiskitRuntimeService
# I am assigning this object to the variable named 'service'
# It is used to connect with my IBMQ account and use the sevicees
service = QiskitRuntimeService()

# backends method is used to fetch list of all available quantum backends
# operational = True : It is used to find the backends currently available
# simulator = False : This is used to exclude simulators
# min_num_qubits = 5 : This is used to select only those hardware
# which has at least 5 qubits
mybackends = service.backends(operational = True, simulator = False,
                              min_num_qubits = 5)
mybackends

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Out[16]: [<IBMQBackend('ibm_brisbane')>,
<IBMQBackend('ibm_sherbrooke')>,
<IBMQBackend('ibm_kyiv')>]

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There are 3 available backends at the time of running this code

iv) Selecting least busy hardware

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In [17]: # least_busy method is used to pick the best available backend
# which satisfies the following criteria :
# operational = True -> the backends currently available
# simulator = False -> excluding simulators
# min_num_qubits = 5 -> select only that hardware which has at least 5 qubit
device = service.least_busy(operational = True, simulator = False,
                             min_num_qubits = 5)
device

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Out[17]: <IBMQBackend('ibm_sherbrooke')>

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The sherbrooke backend is selected as it matches all the filter conditions

v) Quantum Circuit creation : Horizontal : $|0\rangle$ is the default input state

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In [18]: # My Circuit will use 1 qubit and 1 classical bit
# So parameterizing the value to use it in all places
n = 1

# I am creating a new object of the QuantumCircuit class
# I am assigning this object to the variable named 'circuit'
# The QuantumCircuit constructor takes 2 arguments: (Qubits, Classical bits)
# In my circuit, parameter n = 1, so 1 qubit and 1 classical bit is there
circuit = QuantumCircuit(n, n)

# 1st Beam splitter:
# I am applying a rotation gate Rx around the x-axis by  $-\pi/2$  rad to qubit 0.
# The rx method takes 2 arguments (angle of rotation, qubit index)
# The angle of rotation is  $-90^\circ = -\pi/2$  rad. Numpy computes this value.
# The rx gate is applied on the first index qubit 0
circuit.rx(-np.pi/2, 0)

# Mirror :
# I am applying an X gate on the first index qubit 0.
# This X gate is equivalent to NOT gate which reverses the qubit state.
circuit.x(0)

# 2nd Beam splitter :
# I am applying another rotation gate Rx
# around the x-axis by  $-\pi/2$  rad to qubit 0.
circuit.rx(-np.pi/2, 0)

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Out[18]: <qiskit.circuit.instructionset.InstructionSet at 0x1c74ba238e0>

vi) Measurement and circuit diagram :

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In [19]: # The measure method is used to measure qubit
# and store the result in classical bit.
# It takes 2 arguments (qubits, classical bits)
# I am measuring the single qubit index 0
# I am storing the result in single classical bit 0
circuit.measure([0], [0])

# The draw method is used to visualize the quantum circuit.
# I am drawing the circuit using the 'mpl' output and 'iqp' style
# mpl is used to render the quantum circuit using Matplotlib library.
# iqp is used for styling the circuit diagram.
circuit.draw(output='mpl', style='iqp')

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Out[19]:

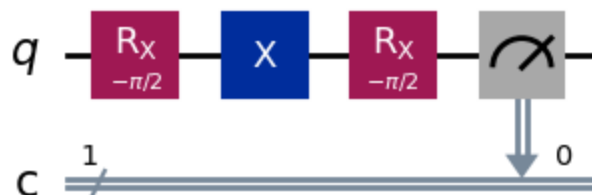


Fig 01 : Quantum Circuit for the Single Photon Interferometer

The above circuit diagram comprises of following notations and components :

Circuit Notations :

- **q** is the quantum bit which is represented by the solid horizontal line.
- **c** is the classical bit after measurement which is represented by the double lines.
- **1/** above the double lines represents the no. of classical data bits.

Circuit Components :

- **R_x** in red box represents the 1st Beam-Splitter. It is used to apply rotation around the x-axis by $-\pi/2$ rad.
- **X** in blue box represents the Mirror. It is used to reflect the photon's path.
- **R_x** in red box represents the 2nd Beam-Splitter. It is used to apply rotation around the x-axis by $-\pi/2$ rad.
- **Meter** in gray box represents the Measurement operation.

vii) Transpiling the circuit

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In [20]: # Transpile transforms the circuit to something appropriate for the chosen hardware
# circuit is my quantum circuit which I have created
# device will be the least busy hardware selected
# seed is used to get the same transpiled circuit every time I run
# seed is helpful in testing and debugging and to maintain uniformity
transpiled_circuit = transpile(circuit, device, seed_transpiler = 13)
transpiled_circuit
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Out[20]: <qiskit.circuit.quantumcircuit.QuantumCircuit at 0x1c74b17e4e0>
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It is the memory address of the transpiled circuit

viii) Initializing the sampler

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In [21]: # I am creating a new object of SamplerV2 object
# I am assigning this object to the variable named 'sampler'
# It is used to find the probabilities of output states
# mode = device is used to select the least busy hardware I got above
sampler = Sampler(mode = device)
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ix) Running hardware computation

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In [22]: # The run method in the sampler executes the transpiled circuit
# The Sampler is capable to run multiple circuits simultaneously,
# but I have 1 circuit
# so I am passing a single list containing my transpiled circuit
# run method returns a job object which I am storing in variable 'job'
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job = sampler.run([transpiled_circuit])
job
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Out[22]: <RuntimeJobV2('cymfmhj7v8tg008y5e1g', 'sampler')>

It is the runtime object id

x) Fetch result

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In [23]: # I am fetching the results of the sampler job execution.
# I am storing this result in variable named 'result'.
# This result contains the counts of each measurement outcome.
result = job.result()
result
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Out[23]: PrimitiveResult([SamplerPubResult(data=DataBin(c=BitArray(<shape=(), num_shots=4096, num_bits=1>)), metadata={'circuit_metadata': {}})], metadata={'execution': {'execution_spans': ExecutionSpans([SliceSpan(<start='2025-02-09 18:56:09', stop='2025-02-09 18:56:20', size=4096>)]), 'version': 2})

the BitArray in the SamplerPubResult contains the 4096 measurement outcomes of 0 and 1 obtained from hardware executions.

xi) Storing the public result

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In [24]: # I am running 1 circuit, and that is the first circuit
# so I want to extract the result of only my circuit
# the result is an array
# the 1st element at 0th index is the public result
pub_result = result[0]
pub_result
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Out[24]: SamplerPubResult(data=DataBin(c=BitArray(<shape=(), num_shots=4096, num_bits=1>)), metadata={'circuit_metadata': {}})

It is the 1st element of the public result bit array

xii) Processing the BitArray and extraction of the classical data part from the public result

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In [25]: # I am extracting the classical data part from the public result
# I am getting classical data 'c' from 'data' object in the 'pub_result'
# data is the actual measurement data
# the values of c tells about the count of each outcome
classical_data = pub_result.data.c
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xiii) Plotting the data

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In [26]: # I am generating and displaying a histogram of the execution outcomes
# classical_data.get_counts() method is used to
# measure the data in the classical bit 'c'
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# By default, the no. of trials is 4096 in sampler.  
plot_histogram(classical_data.get_counts())
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Out[26]:

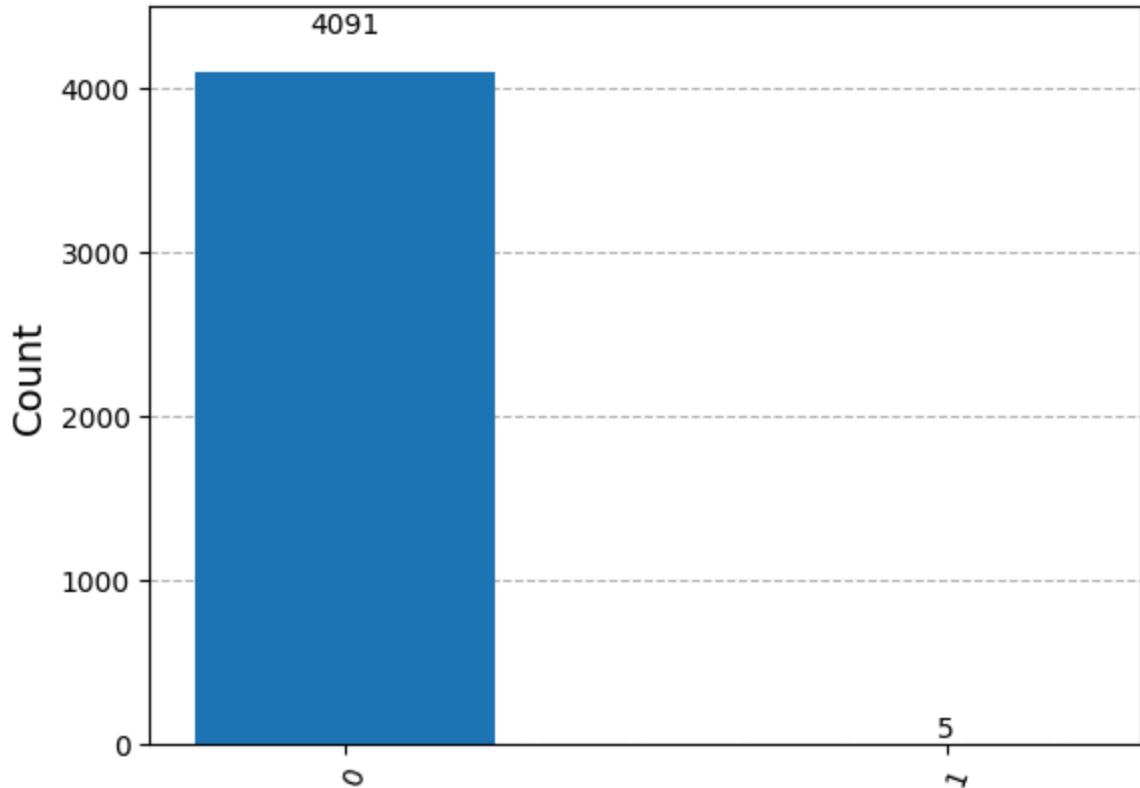


Fig 02 : Measured state Vs Counts

The histogram represents the probability of measuring the output state when my quantum circuit runs on the simulator.

In the above histogram :

- The **x-axis** represents the measured state.
- The **y-axis** represents the number of times each state was measured. By default, it is 4096 times.

Here, there is 0 and 1 on x-axis, which means that the measurement found the qubit in $|0\rangle$ state as well as $|1\rangle$. The qubit remained in the $|0\rangle$ state in majority of trials i.e. in 4091 trials. The qubit was also found in the $|1\rangle$ state in only 5 trials. This is in accordance with our horizontal experimental setup.