

**QCQT-QY3 Quantum Algorithms and Quantum Information 2024-2025**  
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**Assignment 1**

The Bernstein-Vazirani quantum algorithm takes as input a function (oracle) that implements the mapping:

$$f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$$

For the sake of this exercise, we choose the oracle to be:

$$f(x) = x s = x_1 s_1 \oplus x_2 s_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus x_n s_n \pmod{2}$$

which gives the product of a hidden number  $\mathbf{s}$ , for which only the number of digits is known, with a number  $\mathbf{x}$ . The function is supposed that can be only balanced or constant.

Then the goal of the algorithm is to find  $\mathbf{s}$  with only one computation, regardless of its number of digits.

For this assignment, we are asked to implement the Bernstein-Varizani quantum algorithm using Qiskit and then execute it on a quantum computer, for the case of:

$$s = 1010$$

**My implementation takes into account the general case and can work for any given bitstring and oracle.** In our example though, we will test the implementation with the abovementioned oracle and the bitstring  $s = 1010$  as required by the exercise

The main implementation is found in the method `bernstein_varizani(oracle,n)`  
This method takes two arguments:

- **oracle**, which is a quantum circuit in Qiskit, which implements the oracle.
- **n**, which is the known number of digits of the hidden number

Then, we have the following steps:

1. We initialize a quantum circuit with  $\mathbf{n} + 1$  qubits, where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the number of the digits of the hidden number and  $\mathbf{n}$  classical bits.
2. We apply a Hadamard gate to all qubits except from the ancilla qubit.
3. We apply an Pauli X gate to the ancilla qubit, in order to prepatate its state to  $|1\rangle$ , and then apply a Hadamard gate separately.
4. We append the oracle circuit.
5. We apply again a Hadamard gate to all qubits except from the ancilla qubit.
6. We measure all qubits except of the ancilla qubit, in the respective quantum register

```
def bernstein_varizani(oracle, n):  
  
    #Step 1  
    qc = QuantumCircuit(n + 1, n)  
  
    #Step 2  
    qc.h(np.arange(0, n, 1))
```

```

    #Step 3
#Preparation step: We need the ancilla qubit to be prepared to |1>.
#           There in no built-in way in Qiskit to achieve this, since all qubits are initialized
#           in state |0>.
#           For this reason, we are applying a Pauli X gate to the ancilla qubit, so we flip it'
s state from |0> to |1>
qc.x(n)
qc.h(n)

#Step 4
qc.barrier()
qc.compose(oracle, qubits=range(n + 1), inplace=True)
qc.barrier()

#Step 5
qc.h(np.arange(0, n, 1))
qc.barrier()

#Step 6
qc.measure(np.arange(0, n, 1),np.arange(0, n, 1))

return qc

```

Having implemented the Bernstein-Varizani algorithm, we need now to create the oracle required by the assignment, as follows:

```

def assignment1_oracle(s):
    n = len(s)
    qc = QuantumCircuit(n+1)

    for i, bit in enumerate(reversed(s)):
        if bit == "1":
            qc.cx(i, n)
    return qc

```

We now have to "build" our circuit, by calling the `bernstein_varizani` function and passing the parameters of this example. We can also draw it, to have a nice visual representation.

```
s = "1010"
o = assignment1_oracle(s)
qc = bernstein_varizani(o, len(s))
qc.draw('mpl')
```

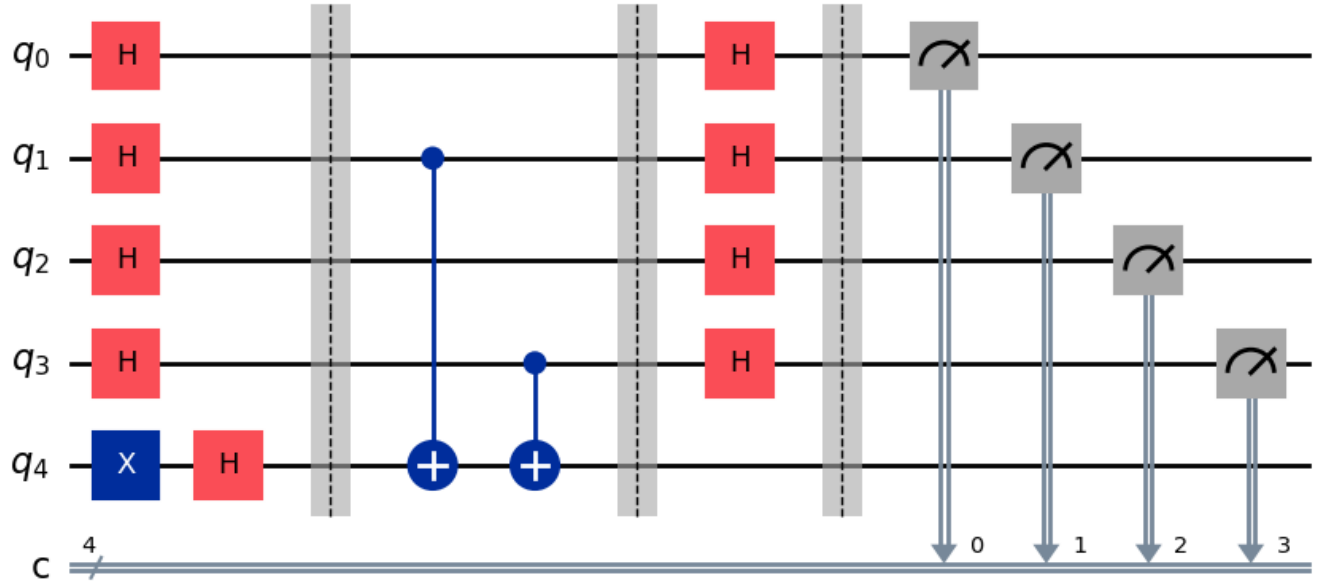


Figure 1: Visual representation of the Bernstein Varizani algorithm circuit implementation in Qiskit, for the example of the assignment

We then proceed to transpile our quantum circuit and simulate it **without noise**, using the `StatevectorSampler` and to plot the results.

```
#Simulation using StatevectorSampler
pm = generate_preset_pass_manager(optimization_level=1)
transpiled_qc = pm.run(qc)
statevectorSampler = StatevectorSampler()
job = statevectorSampler.run([transpiled_qc])
pub_result = job.result()[0]
counts = pub_result.data.c.get_counts()
plot_histogram(counts)
```

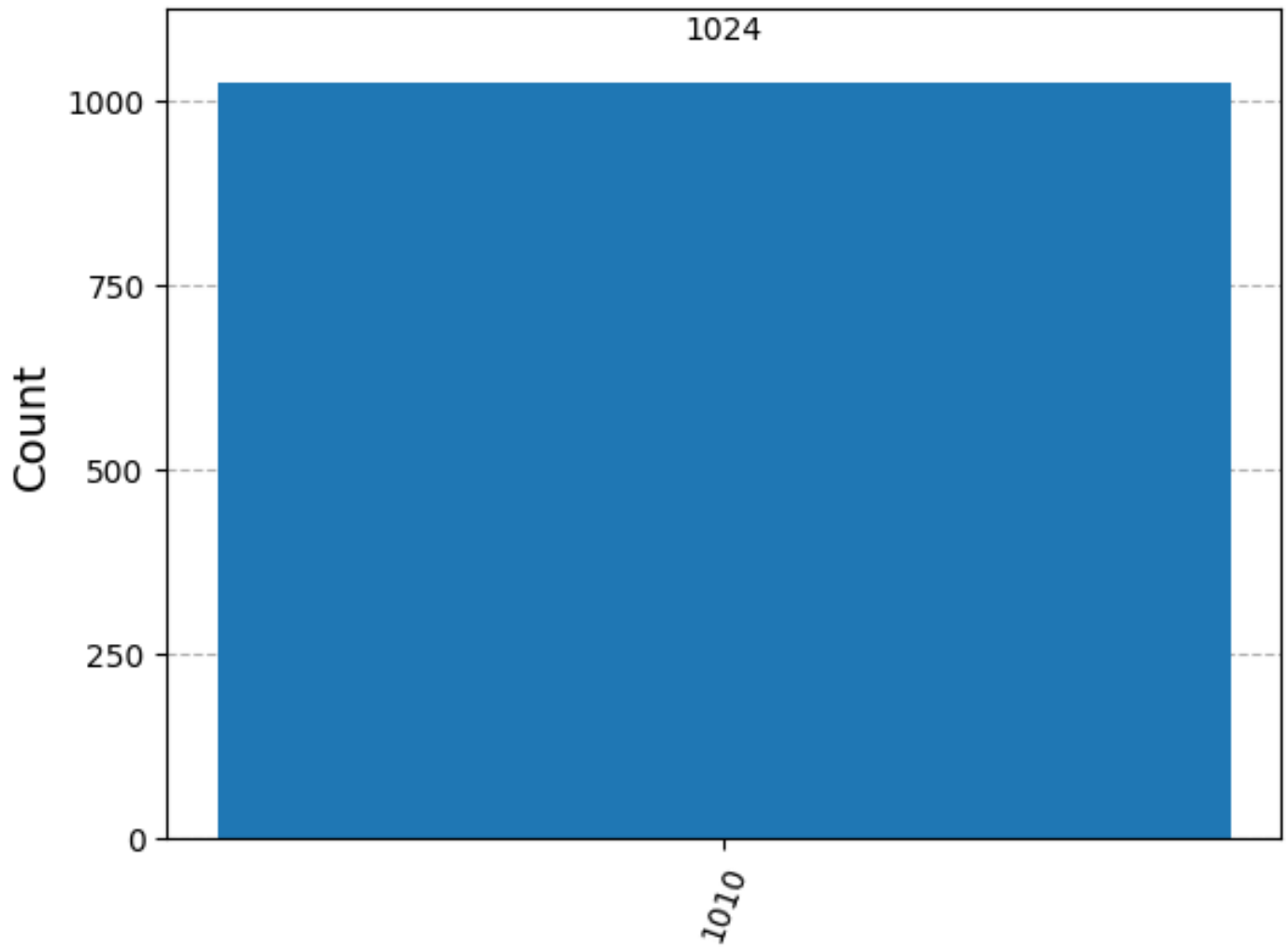


Figure 2: Simulation result using StatevectorSampler

Also, we transpile the quantum circuit and simulate its execution using the fake backend **FakeAlmadenV2**, but with **SamplerV2** this time:

```
#Simulation using SamplerV2
backend = FakeAlmadenV2()
pm = generate_preset_pass_manager(backend=backend, optimization_level=1)
transpiled_qc = pm.run(qc)
sampler = SamplerV2(mode=backend)
job = sampler.run([transpiled_qc])
pub_result = job.result()[0]
counts = pub_result.data.c.get_counts()
plot_histogram(counts)
```

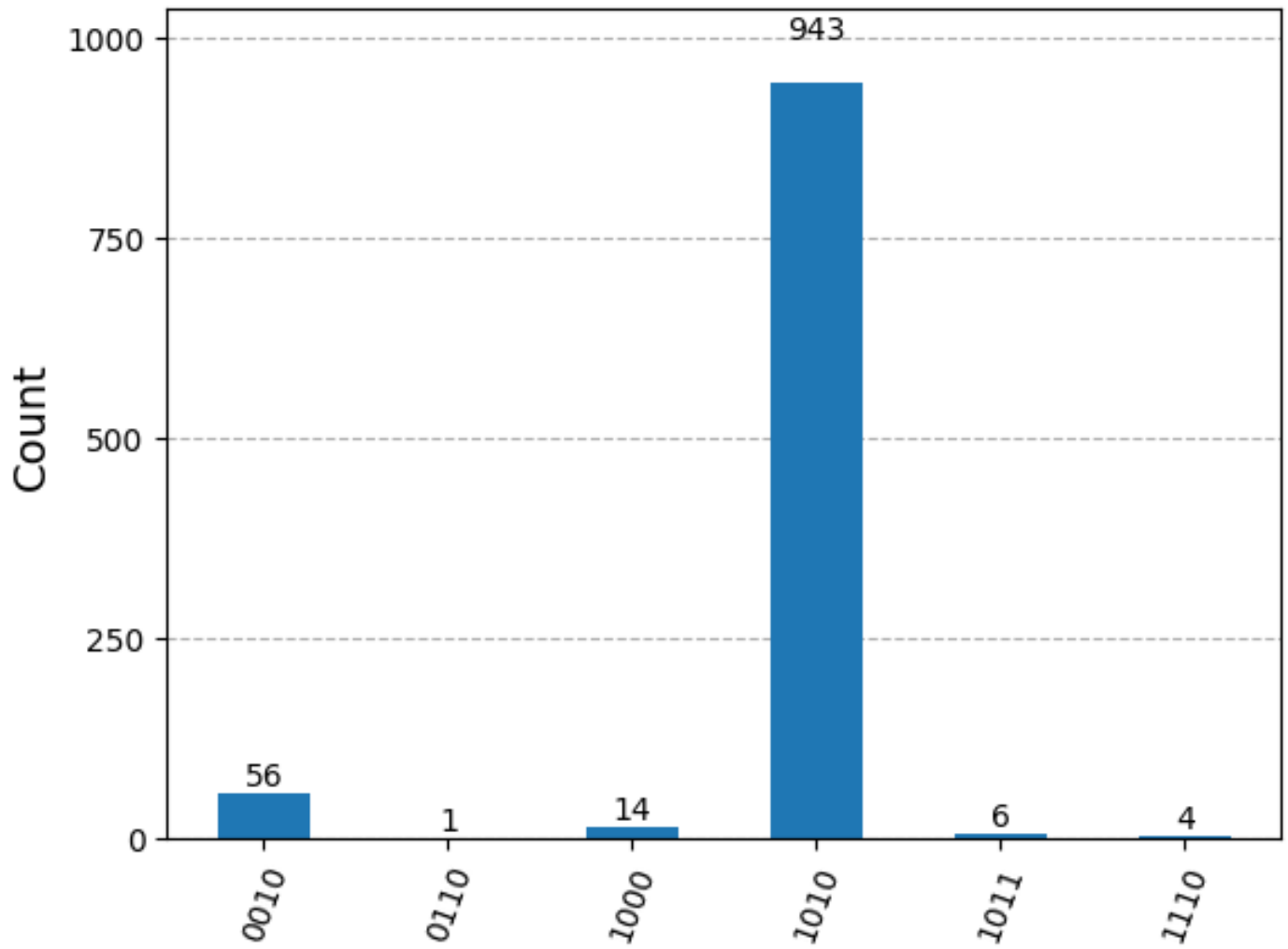


Figure 3: Simulation result using SamplerV2

Finally, we execute the Bernstein-Varizani algorithm in a real IBM Quantum Computer:

```
#Execution on a real quantum computer
service = QiskitRuntimeService(
    channel='ibm_quantum',
    token='<IBM_QUANTUM_TOKEN>'
)
shots=1024

backend = service.least_busy(operational=True, simulator=False)
pm = generate_preset_pass_manager(backend=backend, optimization_level=1)
transpiled_qc = pm.run(qc)
sampler = SamplerV2(backend)
job = sampler.run([transpiled_qc])
pub_result = job.result()[0]
counts = pub_result.data.c.get_counts()
plot_histogram(counts)
```

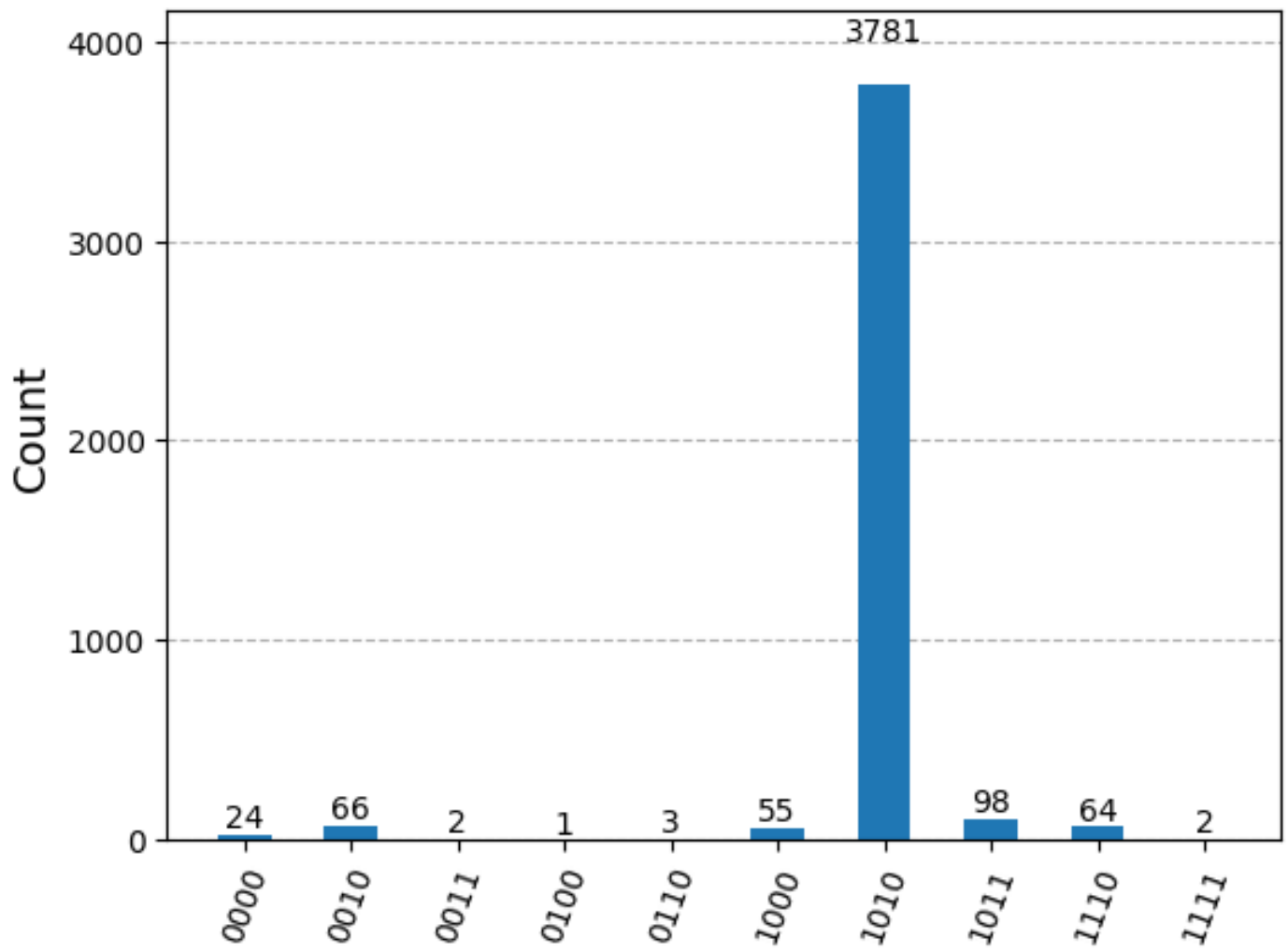


Figure 4: Result after execution on a real quantum computer

You will find all of the code used for this exercise in this repository: <https://github.com/topalidis-qcqt-duth/qy3-assignment-1>

You can also find all of the code below:

```
from qiskit import *
import numpy as np
from qiskit_ibm_runtime.fake_provider import FakeAlmadenV2
from qiskit.visualization import plot_histogram
from qiskit_ibm_runtime import QiskitRuntimeService, SamplerV2
from qiskit.primitives import StatevectorSampler
from qiskit.transpiler import generate_preset_pass_manager

def assignment1_oracle(s):
    n = len(s)
    qc = QuantumCircuit(n+1)

    for i, bit in enumerate(reversed(s)):
        if bit == "1":
            qc.cx(i, n)
    return qc

def bernstein_varizani(oracle, n):

    #Step 1
    qc = QuantumCircuit(n + 1, n)

    #Step 2
    qc.h(np.arange(0, n, 1))

    #Step 3
    #Preparation step: We need the ancilla qubit to be prepared to |1>.
    # There in no built-in way in Qiskit to achieve this, since all qubits are initialized
    # in state |0>.
    # For this reason, we are applying a Pauli X gate to the ancilla qubit, so we flip it'
    # s state from |0> to |1>
    qc.x(n)
    qc.h(n)

    #Step 4
    qc.barrier()
    qc.compose(oracle, qubits=range(n + 1), inplace=True)
    qc.barrier()

    #Step 5
    qc.h(np.arange(0, n, 1))
    qc.barrier()

    #Step 6
    qc.measure(np.arange(0, n, 1), np.arange(0, n, 1))

    return qc

#Example required by the assignment
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o = assignment1_oracle(s)
qc = bernstein_varizani(o, len(s))
qc.draw('mpl')

#Simulation using StatevectorSampler
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transpiled_qc = pm.run(qc)
statevector_sampler = StatevectorSampler()
job = statevector_sampler.run([transpiled_qc])
pub_result = job.result()[0]
counts = pub_result.data.c.get_counts()
plot_histogram(counts)
```

```

#Simulation using SamplerV2
backend = FakeAlmadenV2()
pm = generate_preset_pass_manager(backend=backend, optimization_level=1)
transpiled_qc = pm.run(qc)
sampler = SamplerV2(mode=backend)
job = sampler.run([transpiled_qc])
pub_result = job.result()[0]
counts = pub_result.data.c.get_counts()
plot_histogram(counts)

#Execution on a real quantum computer
service = QiskitRuntimeService(
    channel='ibm_quantum',
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shots=1024

backend = service.least_busy(operational=True, simulator=False)
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sampler = SamplerV2(backend)
job = sampler.run([transpiled_qc])
pub_result = job.result()[0]
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