

De la théorie à la pratique: introduction au calcul quantique sur les NISQ et IBM Q expérience

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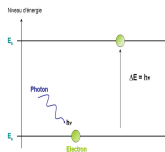
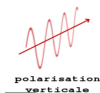
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1. Qubits, rappel des principes de base

Qubit = unité de l'information quantique: $|0\rangle$, $|1\rangle$

cette information est "portée" par des systèmes physiques (photon, atome):



Principe de superposition: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle - |1\rangle)$, ou plus généralement $\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$ avec $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$.

Composition de plusieurs Qubits $|00\rangle$, $|01\rangle$, $|10\rangle$, $|11\rangle$ ($4 = 2^2$ états de base); $|000\rangle$, $|001\rangle$, ... ($8 = 2^3$ états de base)

Combinons les deux principes:

$$|Bell\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle), \quad |GHZ\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

les Qubits de $|Bell\rangle$, $|GHZ\rangle$, sont intriqués même si on les éloignent
→ **non-localité**. Plus généralement il y a un continuum d'états →
parallélisme quantique

$$|\Psi\rangle = \alpha_1|00\rangle + \alpha_2|01\rangle + \alpha_3|10\rangle + \alpha_4|11\rangle$$

Néanmoins...

au maximum n bits d'information classique peuvent être extraits

Mesures ou extraction de l'information: (entropie du résultat $\leq n$ avec ici $n = 2$)

$$|\Psi\rangle \rightarrow \text{MESURE} \rightarrow \begin{cases} |00\rangle & \text{prob}(00) = |\alpha_1|^2 \\ |01\rangle & \text{prob}(01) = |\alpha_2|^2 \\ |10\rangle & \text{prob}(10) = |\alpha_3|^2 \\ |11\rangle & \text{prob}(11) = |\alpha_4|^2 \end{cases}$$

L'information quantique est bizarre: ne peut pas être copiée, ne peut pas être effacée

Time-line de l'information quantique: précurseurs remontent à 1960 (Wiesner), 1970 (Holevo, Bennett, Ingarden,...), 1980 (Benioff, Manin, Feynman, Bennett, Brassard, Deutsch, ...), 1990 (Shor, Grover, ...), 2000 - 2020 (expériences + premières "machines",...), ... et en 2050... ???

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timeline_of_quantum_computing



Aujourd'hui de nombreuses compagnies travaillent à son développement:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_companies_involved_in_quantum_computing_or_communication

Plusieurs "processeurs" quantiques sont développés:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_quantum_processors

2. Le calcul quantique (modèle des circuits)

Le principe du calcul quantique. Prenons par.ex la factorisation: soit $N \in \mathbb{N}$, trouver les facteurs premiers $p \cdot q = N$.

$|O\rangle \rightarrow \text{UNITAIRE}(N) \rightarrow \text{MESURE} \rightarrow$ candidats probables p' et q'

If $p' \cdot q' = N$ ok, else recommencez! L'art est de trouver $\text{UNITAIRE}(N)$ pas trop "complexe" et tel que $\text{Prob}(p' = p, q' = q) \geq 1 - \epsilon$.

Cela est possible avec une complexité $O(\log(1/\epsilon)(\log N)^3)$ (Shor).

Un joli problème "jouet". Soit a_1, \dots, a_n bits secrets. Découvrir leurs valeurs en évaluant la fonction

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n$$

un nombre minimum de fois. *Une solution optimale est d'évaluer:*

$$f(1, 0, \dots, 0) \rightarrow a_1, \quad f(0, 1, \dots, 0) \rightarrow a_2, \quad \dots, \quad f(0, 0, \dots, 1) \rightarrow a_n$$

La "complexité" classique est égale à n .

Soit $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) = (1, 0, 0, 1)$

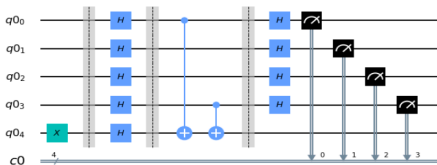
un circuit classique

pour évaluer

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 + x_4$$



Exploisons le parallélisme quantique (Bernstein - Vazirani)

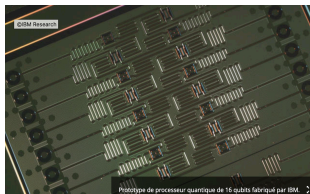
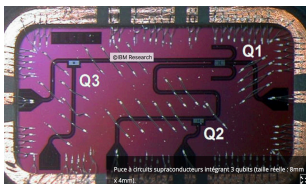
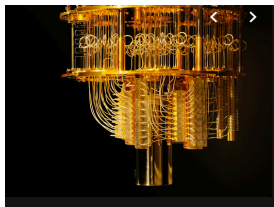


- ▶ on pose toutes les questions possibles car $H|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$
- ▶ on évalue f une seule fois
- ▶ on fait une analyse de "Fourier-Walsh" du "signal"

Une mesure donne les bits secrets $(1, 0, 0, 1)$ avec certitude !!!

3. Machines NISQ - et exploration de IBM Q expérience

- ▶ NISQ = Noisy Intermediate Scale Quantum devices (terminologie due à J. Preskill à Caltech). Fabriqués par IBM, Google, Intel, Rigetti,...
- ▶ Petits ordinateurs quantiques qui réalisent des versions bruitées (noisy) du modèle des circuits avec un petit nombre de Qubits de l'ordre de 5 à 20 à 50 (intermediate scale).
- ▶ Les Qubits sont basés sur des technologies supraconductrices (jonctions Josephson de taille de l'ordre de quelques microns).
- ▶ Imprimés sur une puce (taille de quelques mm) à $T \approx 10\text{mK}$ et connectés entre eux et au monde extérieur par des résonateurs de radiofréquences.



IBM Q experience

<https://www.ibm.com/quantum-computing/technology/experience/>

Interview dans Nature 6 Mars 2017:

"The project builds on know-how developed around IBMs existing cloud computing service: Quantum Experience, which anyone can access for free.

That system went online in May 2016 and recently received an upgraded user interface. Having it up for ten months has taught us a lot, says physicist Jerry Chow, who leads the quantum-computing laboratory at IBMs research centre in Yorktown Heights, New York.

It has provided a way for researchers around the world to practise building quantum algorithms without access to their own quantum computer. IBMs overall strategy is to build a community and an ecosystem around its technology, Chow says."

4. Qiskit: introduction et exemples

Qiskit [quantum information science kit] est un langage basé sur python. Les lignes de codes sont traduites en **quasm [quantum assembly language]** puis converties en pulses de radio fréquences pour réaliser les opérations unitaires, et mesures finales.

- ▶ Environnement open source, communauté de "Qiskiters"
- ▶ Concevoir des expériences, les simuler sur le *simulateur* et les réaliser sur les *vraies machines*.
- ▶ Quatre éléments fondateurs de Qiskit

<https://qiskit.org/documentation/index.html>

1. Qiskit Terra: Composing quantum programs at the level of circuits and pulses with the code foundation.
2. Qiskit Aer : Accelerating development via simulators, emulators, and debuggers
3. Qiskit Ignis: Addressing noise and errors
4. Qiskit Aqua: Building algorithms and applications

Démos sur l'interface graphique (composer) et puis sur Qiskit

1. Illustration du parallélisme quantique: $H|0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$,
 $H \otimes H|00\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle)$, etc...

2. Nous allons implémenter des petits circuits créant les états:

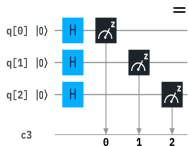
$$|Bell\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle), \quad |GHZ\rangle = \frac{1}{2}(|000\rangle + |111\rangle)$$

3. Puis un circuit implémentant l'algorithme de Bernstein-Vazirani:
le problème est de trouver les bits a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n en posant "une seule question" à la fonction

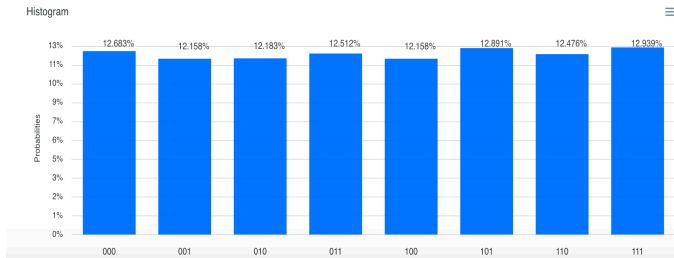
$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n$$

Une série de 9 vidéos très pédagogiques d'Abraham Asfaw (2h en totalité): <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLOFEBzvs-Vvp2xg9-POLJhQwtVktlYGbY>

Parallélisme quantique: superposition de 8 états classiques (SIMULATEUR idéal, 8192 mesures)



Result



Parallélisme quantique: superposition de 8 états classiques + du bruit (device OURENSE, 8024 mesures)

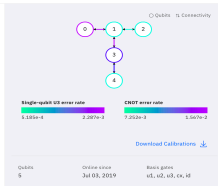


ibmq_ourense v1.0.1

Qiskit
 Queue: 8 jobs

Providers with access:

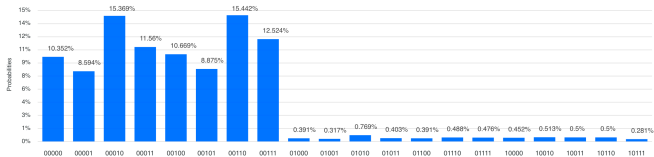
ibmq-open/main



Result

Displaying a subset of the 31 counts. Download the result to see the full details.

Histogram



Etat GHZ: (SIMULATEUR, 1024 mesures)

Created Transpiling 705ms Validating 710ms In queue 1.3s Running 8ms Completed

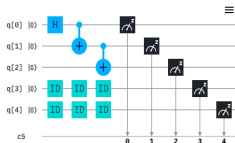
Run details

Backend: ibmq_qasm_simulator
Shots: Status: COMPLETED
Time taken: 3s
Last Update: Nov 13, 2019 10:30 PM

Circuit diagram

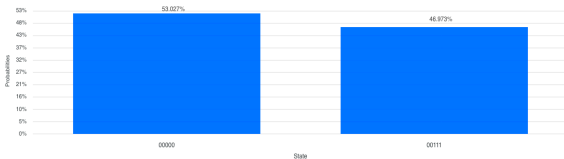


Original circuit diagram



Result

Histogram



Etat GHZ: (device IBMQX2, 1024 mesures)



Original circuit diagram

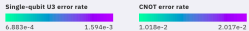
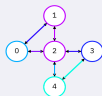
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1 OPENQASM 2.0;
2 include "qelib1.inc";
3
4 qreg q[5];
5 creg c[5];
6
7 h q[0];
8 id q[3];
9 id q[4];
10 cx q[0],q[1];
11 id q[3];
12 id q[4];
13 cx q[1],q[2];
14 id q[3];
15 id q[4];
16 measure q[0] -> c[0];
17 measure q[1] -> c[1];
18 measure q[2] -> c[2];
19 measure q[3] -> c[3];
20 measure q[4] -> c[4];
```

ibmq_5_yorktown - ibmqx2 v2.0.0

online
Queue: 6 jobs

Providers with access:

ibmq-open/main

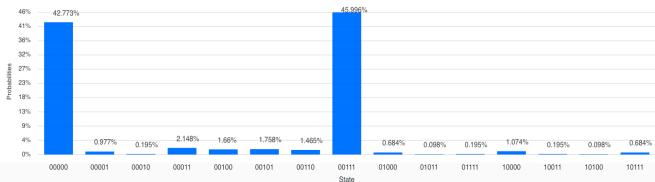


Download Calibrations

Qubits: 5
Online since: Nov 06, 2018
Basis gates: u1, u2, u3, cx, id

Result

Histogram



Code Qiskit pour GHZ: (simulation + expérience)

SEV-GHZ

November 14, 2019

```
[11]: %matplotlib inline
      # Importing standard Qiskit libraries and configuring account
      # from qiskit import QuantumRegister, ClassicalRegister (included in_
      #   QuantumCircuit ?)
      from qiskit import QuantumCircuit, execute, Aer, IBMQ
      from qiskit.compiler import transpile, assemble
      from qiskit.tools.jupyter import *
      from qiskit.visualization import *
      # Loading your IBM Q account(s)
      provider = IBMQ.load_account()
```

```
[12]: #creation of the circuit
      n = 5
      q = QuantumRegister(n)
      c = ClassicalRegister(n)
      GHZcirc = QuantumCircuit(q, c)

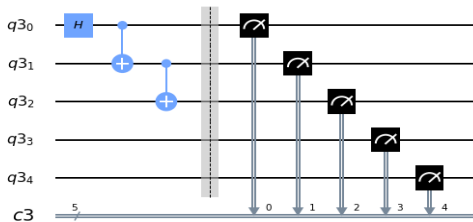
      #unitary operations
      GHZcirc.h(q[0])
      GHZcirc.cx(q[0], q[1])
      GHZcirc.cx(q[1], q[2])

      #optional
      GHZcirc.barrier(q)

      #measurement
      GHZcirc.measure(q[0], c[0])
      GHZcirc.measure(q[1], c[1])
      GHZcirc.measure(q[2], c[2])
      GHZcirc.measure(q[3], c[3])
      GHZcirc.measure(q[4], c[4])

      #visualisation of the circuit
      GHZcirc.draw()
```

[12]:

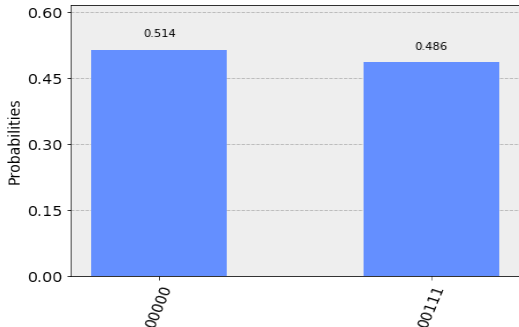


```
[13]: #classical ideal simulation
backend = Aer.get_backend('qasm_simulator')
job_sim = execute(GHZcirc, backend)
sim_result = job_sim.result()
```

```
[14]: #print and visualise measurement results (an application of the Born rule)
print(sim_result.get_counts(GHZcirc))
plot_histogram(sim_result.get_counts(GHZcirc))
```

```
{'00111': 498, '00000': 526}
```

```
[14]:
```



```
[20]: #find available devices for the experiment
print("Available backends:")
#previously we did `IBMbackends()` this is discouraged now
IBMQ.get_provider()
provider.backends()
```

Available backends:

```
[20]: [<IBMQSimulator('ibmq_qasm_simulator') from IBMQ(hub='ibm-q', group='open',
project='main')>,
<IBMQBackend('ibmqx2') from IBMQ(hub='ibm-q', group='open', project='main')>,
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project='main')>,
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project='main')>]
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<IBMQBackend('ibmq_essex') from IBMQ(hub='ibm-q', group='open',
project='main')>]
```

```
[23]: #trick to select a device so as to minimize queuing
from qiskit.providers.ibmq import least_busy

large_enough_devices = provider.backends(filters=lambda x: x.configuration().
    ↳n_qubits > 2 and
                                                    not x.configuration().
    ↳simulator)
backend = least_busy(large_enough_devices)
print("The best backend is " + backend.name())
```

The best backend is ibmqx2

```
[24]: #Run the job
from qiskit.tools.monitor import job_monitor
shots = 1024          # Number of shots to run the program (experiment); maximum
    ↳is 8192 shots.
max_credits = 3      # Maximum number of credits to spend on executions.

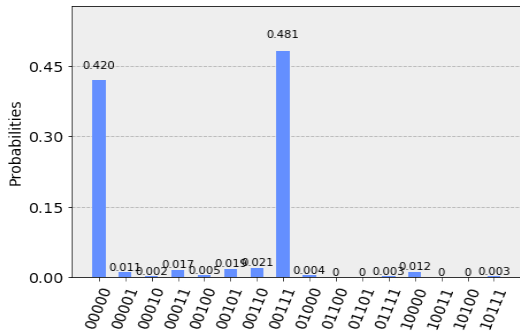
job_exp = execute(GHZcirc, backend=backend, shots=shots,
    ↳max_credits=max_credits)
job_monitor(job_exp)
```

Job Status: job has successfully run

```
[25]: #print experimental result
result_exp = job_exp.result()
counts_exp = result_exp.get_counts(GHZcirc)

plot_histogram([counts_exp])
```

[25]:



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Code Qiskit pour l'algorithme de Bernstein-Vazirani: (simulation + expérience)

SEV-Bernstein-Vazirani-small

November 14, 2019

```
[1]: %matplotlib inline
# Importing standard Qiskit libraries and configuring account
from qiskit import QuantumRegister, ClassicalRegister
from qiskit import QuantumCircuit, execute, Aer, IBMQ
from qiskit.compiler import transpile, assemble
from qiskit.tools.jupyter import *
from qiskit.visualization import *

# Loading your IBM Q account(s)
provider = IBMQ.load_account()

[2]: #the unknown bit string a = 'b1,...,bn'
a = '1001'

#creation of the circuit
n = len(a)
q = QuantumRegister(n+1)
c = ClassicalRegister(n)
circuit = QuantumCircuit(q, c)

#unitary operations
circuit.x(q[n]) #initialisation of ancilla qubit
circuit.barrier(q)
circuit.h(range(n+1)) #exploitation of quantum parallelism
circuit.barrier(q)

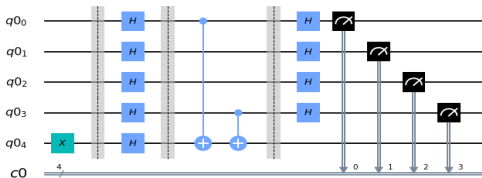
#unitary representation of the function  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n$  and
#result registered in ancilla qubit
for ii, yesno in enumerate(reversed(a)):
    if yesno == '1':
        circuit.cx(q[ii], q[n])

circuit.barrier()
circuit.h(range(n)) #Fourier-Walsh analysis of state vector after the barrier

#measurement of final state vector
circuit.measure(range(n), range(n))
```

```
#visualisation of the circuit
circuit.draw()
```

[2]:

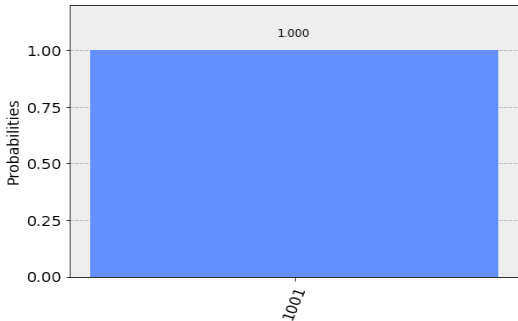


```
[3]: #classical ideal simulation
backend = Aer.get_backend('qasm_simulator')
job_sim = execute(circuit, backend, shots=1)
sim_result = job_sim.result()
```

```
[4]: #print and visualise measurement results (an application of the Born rule)
print(sim_result.get_counts(circuit))
plot_histogram(sim_result.get_counts(circuit))
```

```
{'1001': 1}
```

[4]:



```
[5]: #find available devices for the experiment
print("Available backends:")
#previously we did `IBMbackends()` this is discouraged now
IBMQ.get_provider()
provider.backends()
```

Available backends:

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[5]: [<IBMQSimulator('ibmq_qasm_simulator') from IBMQ(hub='ibm-q', group='open',
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project='main')>]
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```
[6]: #trick to select a device so as to minimize queuing
from qiskit.providers.ibmq import least_busy

large_enough_devices = provider.backends(filters=lambda x: x.configuration().
    ↳n_qubits > 2 and
                                           not x.configuration().
    ↳simulator)
backend = least_busy(large_enough_devices)
print("The best backend is " + backend.name())
```

The best backend is ibmq_ourense

```
[7]: #Run the job
from qiskit.tools.monitor import job_monitor
shots = 1          # Number of shots to run the program (experiment); maximum is 1
    ↳8192 shots.
max_credits = 3    # Maximum number of credits to spend on executions.

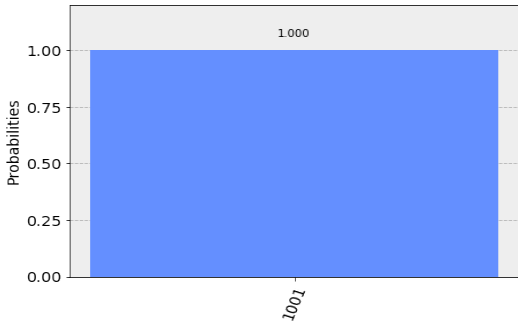
job_exp = execute(circuit, backend=backend, shots=shots,
    ↳max_credits=max_credits)
job_monitor(job_exp)
```

Job Status: job has successfully run

```
[8]: #print experimental result
result_exp = job_exp.result()
counts_exp = result_exp.get_counts(circuit)

plot_histogram([counts_exp])
```

[8]:



```
[9]: #Run the job
from qiskit.tools.monitor import job_monitor
shots = 1024      # Number of shots to run the program (experiment); maximum
                 ↳ is 8192 shots.
max_credits = 3   # Maximum number of credits to spend on executions.

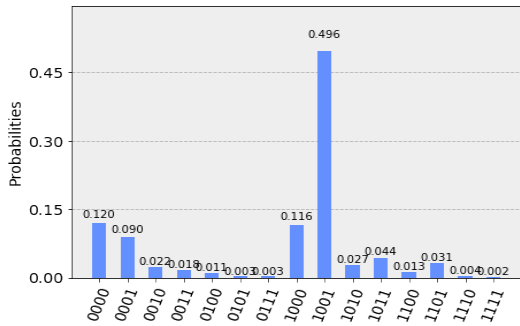
job_exp = execute(circuit, backend=backend, shots=shots,
                 ↳ max_credits=max_credits)
job_monitor(job_exp)
```

Job Status: job has successfully run

```
[10]: #print experimental result
result_exp = job_exp.result()
counts_exp = result_exp.get_counts(circuit)

plot_histogram([counts_exp])
```

[10]:



[]:

5. Perspectives

1. Applications révéées des ordinateurs quantiques (déjà réalisées à l'échelle des NISQ)

- ▶ Calcul, algorithmique (p.ex Factorisation,...)
- ▶ Optimisation
- ▶ Simulation de "l'équation de Schroedinger" (chimie quantique, physique nucléaire,...)
- ▶ Echantillonnage (finance, générateurs de nombres aléatoires, machine learning,...)

2. NISQ sont un petit laboratoire pour

- ▶ Mieux comprendre et modéliser la décohérence (i.e., le bruit, l'influence de l'environnement, la transition vers la physique classique)
- ▶ Mettre en évidence la "suprématie quantique" ou plus modestement "l'avantage quantique"

3. NISQ sont aussi un outil fantastique pour l'enseignement de l'information et du calcul quantique

- ▶ Les étudiants participent et contribuent à un écosystème et une communauté de "Qiskiters"
- ▶ Projets interdisciplinaires: physique, maths, ingénieurs et informaticiens

Exemple 1: traduire un circuit théorique pour tenir compte des contraintes géométriques de la machine

Exemple 2: Optimiser la complexité tout en tenant compte des contraintes

- ▶ Nous avons mené des projets d'équipe d'étudiants (physique et informatique et communication) en 2018 et 2019 (avec Dr M. A. Dupertuis)
- ▶ Nos étudiants ont participé aux Qiskit Camps et Hackathons (Vermont 2018, Piz Gloria 2019, CERN)

4. l'EPFL est membre du IBM Q network depuis juillet 2019.

References

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