Mission 3: QKD-encrypted Message

50 minutes of gameplay [60/200 points]

Blah blah storyline. The goal of this mission is to send QKD-encrypted messages to Bob.

This mission is divided into smaller tasks, which consists of compulsory and optional tasks. The compulsory tasks are marked with either [Checkpoint], [Final Task], or [Secret Task] flags, while the unmarked tasks are sort of optional. It is thus a priority to complete all the flagged tasks before the optional tasks, as one will not be able to revisit these tasks after the deadline. The compulsory tasks are very important for the upcoming missions. It is also highly advisable to split the tasks among your teammates.

[10 points] [Checkpoint] Establish the secure key

Blah blah blah

- XXX

Objective: Establish 32-bit secure keys by running an automated script.

Point allocation scheme:

• [Full] points upon completion of the objective

Step by step walkthrough:

- Connect both classical device (from Mission 1) and quantum device (from Mission 2) to the same computer. Remember to enter the correct device addresses in devloc_classical.txt and devloc_quantum.txt.
- 2. Run the program <code>send_32bitQKD.py</code> (for Alice) and <code>recv_32bitQKD.py</code> (for Bob). Note that Bob needs to run his program first.
- 3. Patiently wait. The key should be ready in about 2 to 3 minutes, if everything works out smoothly.

[10 points] Message encryption handout

Blah blah blah

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Objective: Complete the Message Encryption handout. No cheating or copying with Bob allowed [insert stern warning].

Point allocation scheme:

• Based on the number of correct responses in the handout.

Note: Only do this when there is a free time or there is a member in your group who happens to be free.

[10 points] Our setup handout

Blah blah blah

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Objective: Complete the Our Setup, Bandwidth handout. No cheating or copying with Bob allowed [insert stern warning].

Point allocation scheme:

• Based on the number of correct responses in the handout.

Note: Only do this when there is a free time or there is a member in your group who happens to be free.

[20 points] [Final Task] Send encrypted message

Blah blah blah

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Objective: By using the secret key obtained earlier, encrypt a message and sent it though the public channel. Bob needs to be able to decrypt the correct message. Note that you should not say the key or the message out loud, unless if being explicitly asked by GameMaster.

Point allocation scheme:

- [Full] points upon completion of the objective
- [20%] of total points reduction if any of the team member says either the keys or messages outload, and can be heard by the GameMaster

Step by step walkthrough:

- 1. Alice runs encrypt.py to encrypt the message by using the established secure key.
- 2. Alice and Bob then both opens chatting.py, and Bob sets it on the listening mode. Alice
 then sends the encrypted text via the classical channel.
- 3. Bob then decrypt the received encrypted text by using decrypt.py.

4. If Bob thinks that he has obtained the correct message, he informs the GameMaster, and the GameMaster will check the correctness of the message with Alice.

Performed in the last 15 minutes of the session

[10 points] [Secret Task] Super secret messages, part 2

Blah blah blah

There will be a few secret messages that you need to send to Bob. They will come in a secret document from the GameMaster. You have to ensure the security of the content, and that you seal the document and return it to the GameMaster after the conclusion of the mission. Listen to the explicit instructions from the GameMaster on when to send each messages.

Objective: Alice successfully encrypts all the message and sends it to Bob.

Note: You must not communicate with Bob (no talking or signalling), except by using the softwares provided.

Point allocation scheme:

- [Full] points if all the messages is sent by Alice and received successfully by Bob, or
- A fraction of [full] points, proportional to the number of messages sent and received successfully.
- Some points will be forfeited if Alice communicates with Bob in any way besides through the softwares.