

1. Alice encodes the EPR pair

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

using the quantum one-time pad. What is the state of the encoded quantum state as seen by Bob who knows the key bits k_1 and k_2 ?

We use k_1, k_2 represented the key bits and \bar{k}_1, \bar{k}_2 means the opposite state of k_1, k_2

$$|\psi_{\text{encrypted}}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|k_1 k_2\rangle + |\bar{k}_1 \bar{k}_2\rangle)$$

In one-time pad situation,

if $k_1 = 0$ & $k_2 = 0$, state stay still

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

if $k_1 = 1$ & $k_2 = 0$, first state turn into opposite.

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|10\rangle + |01\rangle)$$

if $k_1 = 0$ & $k_2 = 1$, second bit state turn opposite.

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

if $k_1 = 1$ & $k_2 = 1$ so both of them turn over.

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|11\rangle + |00\rangle)$$

2. Alice prepares the state $\rho_{AB} = |\phi\rangle\langle\phi|$ which is the singlet $|\phi\rangle = (|01\rangle - |10\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$. Compute ρ_A .

$$2. |\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)$$

$$\therefore \rho_{AB} = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$$

$$|01\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad |10\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rho_{AB} = \frac{1}{2}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle)(\langle 01| - \langle 10|)$$

$$\rho_{AB} = \frac{1}{2}(|01\rangle\langle 01| - |01\rangle\langle 10| - |10\rangle\langle 01| + |10\rangle\langle 10|)$$

$$\therefore \rho_A = \text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) \quad \text{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) = \sum_{i=0}^1 \langle i_B | \rho_{AB} | i_B \rangle$$

$|i_B\rangle$ is the state of Bob's qubit, for singlet state only $|01\rangle$ and $|10\rangle$. when taking the trace, the crossing terms will cancel out.

\therefore

$$\rho_A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Alice wants to send a simple message consisting of a single bit $a \in \{0, 1\}$. She encodes by preparing a qubit in the standard basis:

$$0 \rightarrow |0\rangle$$

$$1 \rightarrow |1\rangle$$

Unfortunately, Alice's qubit preparation machine broke down and when asked to prepare the state in the form $|0\rangle$, it actually prepared

$$|\phi\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}} |0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |1\rangle.$$

Bob knows this and measures the received state in the standard basis. What is the probability of obtaining the outcome 0?

$$3. \quad P(0) = |\langle 0 | \psi \rangle|^2$$

$$P(0) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 = \frac{2}{3} \approx 66.67\%$$

(not sure about this).