

Collaborators : None

Sources : Lecture Notes

Q3) Quantum Money Attacks

Among the 3 qubits, initialize the first 2 qubits to $|0\rangle$ & let the 3rd qubit be qubit from original banknote to be counterfeited.

Let 3rd qubit, i.e., original banknote be $|\phi\rangle = a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle$

where $a^2 + b^2 = 1$
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$$\text{As } |000\rangle \rightarrow \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} |000\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |110\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |101\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |011\rangle \right]$$

$$|001\rangle \rightarrow \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} |111\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |001\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |010\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |100\rangle \right]$$

Let J.S. after the process be $|\psi\rangle$. Then,

it ~~transform~~ transforms $(|00\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle)$ to $|\psi\rangle$.

$$\Rightarrow |00\phi\rangle \leadsto |\psi\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow [a|000\rangle + b|001\rangle] \leadsto |\psi\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow |\psi\rangle = a \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} |000\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |110\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |101\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |011\rangle \right] +$$

$$b \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} |111\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |001\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |010\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} |100\rangle \right]$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \left(\sqrt{\frac{5a^2 + b^2}{6}} \right) |0\rangle \otimes \left[\frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}a}{2} |00\rangle + \frac{a}{\sqrt{12}} |11\rangle + \frac{b}{\sqrt{12}} |01\rangle + \frac{b}{\sqrt{12}} |10\rangle}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{5a^2 + b^2}{6}} \right)} \right] +$$

$$\left(\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + 5b^2}{6}} \right) |1\rangle \otimes \left[\frac{\frac{a}{\sqrt{12}} |10\rangle + \frac{a}{\sqrt{12}} |01\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{3}b}{2} |11\rangle + \frac{b}{\sqrt{12}} |00\rangle}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + 5b^2}{6}} \right)} \right]$$

After discarding 1st qubit, the remaining qubits can be

in state $\left[\frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}a}{2} |00\rangle + \frac{a}{\sqrt{12}} |11\rangle + \frac{b}{\sqrt{12}} |01\rangle + \frac{b}{\sqrt{12}} |10\rangle}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{5a^2 + b^2}{6}} \right)} \right]$ with probability $\left(\frac{5a^2 + b^2}{6} \right)$;

or state $\left[\frac{\frac{a}{\sqrt{12}} |10\rangle + \frac{a}{\sqrt{12}} |01\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{3}b}{2} |11\rangle + \frac{b}{\sqrt{12}} |00\rangle}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + 5b^2}{6}} \right)} \right]$ with probability $\left(\frac{a^2 + 5b^2}{6} \right)$.

~~For the bank to~~ Let these states be $|P_1\rangle$ & $|P_2\rangle$.

For the bank to accept these qubits both, they have to be $|\phi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle$ when measured in the basis corresponding to $|\phi\rangle$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Probability [Measurement of 2-qubits} = |\phi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle] =$$

$$\text{Probability [2-qubit state} = |P_1\rangle] \times \text{Probability [Measurement of } |P_1\rangle = |\phi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle]$$

$$+ \text{Probability [2-qubit state} = |P_2\rangle] \times \text{Probability [Measurement of } |P_2\rangle = |\phi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle]$$

$$= \left(\frac{5a^2+b^2}{6}\right) \times \left[\|\langle P_1 | \phi \otimes \phi \rangle\|^2\right] + \left(\frac{a^2+5b^2}{6}\right) \times \left[\|\langle P_2 | \phi \otimes \phi \rangle\|^2\right]$$

As $|\phi\rangle \otimes |\phi\rangle = (a|0\rangle \otimes b|1\rangle) \otimes (a|0\rangle + b|1\rangle) = (a^2|00\rangle + ab|01\rangle + ab|10\rangle + b^2|11\rangle)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Pr[Success]} = \left(\frac{5a^2+b^2}{6}\right) \times \left[\frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}a^3}{2} + \frac{ab^2}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{ab^2}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{ab^2}{\sqrt{2}}}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{5a^2+b^2}{6}}\right)} \right]^2 +$$

$$\left(\frac{a^2+5b^2}{6}\right) \times \left[\frac{\frac{a^2b}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{a^2b}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}b^3}{2} + \frac{a^2b}{\sqrt{2}}}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{a^2+5b^2}{6}}\right)} \right]^2$$

$$= \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} a (a^2+b^2) \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} b (a^2+b^2) \right]^2 = \frac{3}{4} (a^2+b^2)^2$$

As $(a^2+b^2)=1 \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Pr[Success]} = \frac{3}{4}}$