CSE 598, Fall 2024, Homework #4

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Question 4(a) When Alice flips T and Bob flips T, the joint state is:

$$\begin{split} |\psi\rangle &= (H \otimes H) \left(\frac{1}{3}|00\rangle + \frac{1}{3}|01\rangle + \frac{1}{3}|10\rangle\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}|+\rangle \otimes |+\rangle + \frac{1}{3}|+\rangle \otimes |-\rangle + \frac{1}{3}|-\rangle \otimes |+\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left(|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle + |11\rangle\right) + \frac{1}{6} \left(|00\rangle - |01\rangle + |10\rangle - |11\rangle\right) + \frac{1}{6} \left(|00\rangle + |01\rangle - |11\rangle\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} \left(3|00\rangle + |01\rangle + |10\rangle - |11\rangle\right) \end{split}$$

Thus, it is possible for Alice and Bob to measure $|11\rangle$.

When Alice flips T and Bob flips H, since $H^2 = I$, the joint state is:

$$(I \otimes H) |\psi\rangle = (H \otimes I) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} |+\rangle \otimes |0\rangle + \frac{1}{3} |01\rangle\right)$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} |00\rangle + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} (|01\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

Thus, it is impossible to measure $|10\rangle$.

When Alice flips H and Bob flips T, since $H^2 = I$, the joint state is:

$$(H \otimes I) |\psi\rangle = (I \otimes H) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} |0\rangle \otimes |+\rangle + \frac{1}{3} |10\rangle\right)$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} |00\rangle + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} (|10\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

Thus, it is impossible to measure $|01\rangle$.

When Alice flips H and Bob flips H, since $H^2 = I$, the joint state is:

$$(H \otimes H) |\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{3} |00\rangle + \frac{1}{3} |01\rangle + \frac{1}{3} |10\rangle$$

Thus, it is impossible to measure $|11\rangle$.