

Exercise 4
Due: 14/01/2021

1. The 4 Bell states are

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

$$|\Phi^-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle),$$

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

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

Find a unitary matrix U that permutes the Bell states as follows: $|\Phi^+\rangle \xrightarrow{U} |\Phi^-\rangle \xrightarrow{U} |\Psi^+\rangle \xrightarrow{U} |\Psi^-\rangle \xrightarrow{U} |\Phi^+\rangle$.

2. Consider the following game. We have three participants: Moe, Larry and Curly, that are sent to different rooms, and each receives a fruit (apple or banana) at random. We are promised that the number of apples is even, (that is, either all got bananas, which happens with probability $1/4$, or exactly 1 of them got banana). Their goal is to each output a number in $\{-1, 1\}$, so that if all fruits are bananas the product of their outputs is 1, and otherwise -1.

Note that the three can devise any strategy they want beforehand, but cannot communicate once they enter their rooms.

- (a) Show that any deterministic strategy cannot succeed with probability 1. (The probability is over the inputs.)
- (b) Find a deterministic strategy that wins with probability $3/4$.
- (c) Show that even a randomized strategy, where they can all access the same random string from the rooms, still cannot succeed with probability 1.
- (d) Assume that the three stooges share the following superposition over 3 qubits:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|000\rangle + |111\rangle).$$

Consider the following protocol: Each stooge applies H on his qubit if he got a banana, and $H' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ if he got an apple. Then each measures his qubit and chooses the output accordingly. Show that they can win with probability 1.

3. Fix $a \in \{0, 1\}^n$, which is unknown to us. Let $f : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ be given by $f(x) = a \cdot x \pmod{2}$ where $a \cdot x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i$. We would like to find a using as few queries to f as possible.

- (a) Prove that a quantum algorithm can reveal a with probability 1 using a *single* query to f . *Hint:* use the Deutsch-Josza algorithm.
- (b) How many queries must a classical protocol perform? Will randomization help?