## 1 Homework 2

1. Simplify the following circuit:

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|q_0\rangle \xrightarrow{} H \xrightarrow{} H
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|q_1\rangle \xrightarrow{} H \xrightarrow{} H
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- 2. Consider a function  $f: \{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$  such that either
	- $f$  is constant.
	- *f* is balanced:  $|f^{-1}(0)| = |f^{-1}(1)| = 2^{n-1}$ .

Given a gate  $U_f: |a \in \{0,1\}^n \setminus |b \in \{0,1\} \rangle \mapsto |a \rangle |b \oplus f(a) \rangle$ , desing a quantum algorithm which output 1 is f is balanced and 0 if f is constant, using only 1 query to  $U_f$ .

What is the classical query complexity? What if we allow some error probability?

### 2 Warm-up Calculations

#### 2.1 Measurements and Probabilities

For all  $|\varphi\rangle$  and B, justify that  $|\varphi\rangle$  is a state, B a basis, then measure  $|\varphi\rangle$  in B and give the probability of each outcome:

1. 
$$
|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathcal{B} = (|0\rangle, |1\rangle).
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\n2.  $|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle - i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathcal{B} = (|0\rangle, |1\rangle).$   
\n3.  $|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathcal{B} = (\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}).$   
\n4.  $|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle - i|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathcal{B} = (\frac{|0\rangle + |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|0\rangle - |1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}).$   
\n5.  $|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathcal{B} = (|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |11\rangle).$   
\n6.  $|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \mathcal{B} = (i|00\rangle, |01\rangle, -|10\rangle, e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}}|11\rangle).$   
\n7.  $|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + (1+i)|01\rangle + |11\rangle}{2}, \mathcal{B} = (|00\rangle, |01\rangle, |10\rangle, |11\rangle).$   
\n8.  $|\varphi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + (1+i)|01\rangle + |11\rangle}{2}, \mathcal{B} = (|00\rangle, |01\rangle, \frac{|10\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{|10\rangle - i|11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}.$ 

#### 2.2 Partial Measurements

Let  $|\varphi\rangle, |\psi\rangle$  two normalized quantum states, let  $|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  $\frac{1}{2}$  ( $|0\rangle|\varphi\rangle + |1\rangle|\psi\rangle$ ), suppose we apply H to the first qubit, then measure that qubit in the computational basis. Give the probability of measurement 1 as a function of  $|\varphi\rangle$  and  $|\psi\rangle$ .

### 2.3 Gates

- 1. Construct a SWAP-gate, that is to say a quantum circuit U such that for any  $a, b \in \{0, 1\}$  is such that  $U \cdot |a\rangle |b\rangle \mapsto |b\rangle |a\rangle$ , using CNOT gates. *Hint: how do you swap two digits using only XOR gate in the classical case?*
- 2. Suppose you are given access to a **bit-query**-oracle for a function  $f: \{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$ , that is to say a gate  $U_f$  such that  $\forall a \in \{0,1\}^n, \forall b \in \{0,1\}, U_f |a\rangle |b\rangle = |a\rangle |b \oplus f(a)\rangle.$ Construct a circuit giving acces to a **phase-query**-oracle, that is to say construct a circuit  $U'_f$  such that for any  $(a, b) \in \{0, 1\}^n \times \{0, 1\}, U'_f \cdot |a\rangle |b\rangle = (-1)^{b \cdot f(a)} |a\rangle |b\rangle.$

# 3 Superdense Coding

In this exercise, we will have two actors, Alice and Bob. Alice has two classical bits of information  $(b_0, b_1) \in \{0, 1\}^2$  and she want to send them to Bob.

- 1. (informal) What is the minimum number of classical bits that Alice has to send to Bob in order to communicate him  $(b_0, b_1)$ ?
- 2. Now suppose that Alice and Bob share an entangled EPR pair (or Bell pair), that is to say there is a quantum state  $|\phi\rangle = \frac{|00\rangle + |11\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$  such that the first qubit is owned by Alice (she can only perform operations of the form  $U \otimes I$  on  $|\phi\rangle$  and the second qubit is owned by Bob.

Alice is going to perform operations on her qubit and send it to Bob. If  $b_1 = 1$ , she applies X (bit flip) and then if  $b_0 = 1$  she applies Z (phase flip), she send her part of the qubit back to Bob. Explain how Bob can recover the values of  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  using  $|\phi\rangle$ .



## 4 Bernstein-Vazirani Problem

The *Bernstein-Vazirani* problem is the following: given a function  $f: \{0,1\}^n \to \{0,1\}$  which is of the form  $f(x) = a \cdot x := \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i \cdot x_i$  MOD 2 for some unknown  $a \in \{0, 1\}^n$ , the objective is to retrieve the value of a.

Consider the following circuit:



with the gate  $U_f$  defined in the following way:



- 1. Compute the values of  $|\psi_1\rangle$ ,  $|\psi_2\rangle$  and  $|\psi_3\rangle$  (where  $|\psi_3\rangle$  is the state corresponding to the first *n* qubits).
- 2. How efficiently, in terms of quantum query complexity, can we solve the Bernstein-Vaziran problem?