Exercice 1

1. One has to show that $\langle B_{x,y} | B_{x',y'} \rangle = \delta_{x,x'} \delta_{y,y'}$. We show it explicitly for two cases :

$$\langle B_{00} | B_{00} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (\langle 00 | + \langle 11 | \rangle (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

= $\frac{1}{2} (\langle 00 | 00\rangle + \langle 00 | 11\rangle + \langle 11 | 00\rangle + \langle 11 | 11\rangle).$

Now we have

$$\begin{array}{l} \left\langle 00 \right| \left. 00 \right\rangle = \left\langle 0 \right| \left. 0 \right\rangle \left\langle 0 \right| \left. 0 \right\rangle = 1, \left\langle 00 \right| \left. 11 \right\rangle = \left\langle 0 \right| \left. 1\right\rangle \left\langle 0 \right| \left. 1\right\rangle = 0, \\ \left\langle 11 \right| \left. 00 \right\rangle = \left\langle 1 \right| \left. 0\right\rangle \left\langle 1 \right| \left. 0\right\rangle = 0, \left\langle 11 \right| \left. 11 \right\rangle = \left\langle 1 \right| \left. 1\right\rangle \left\langle 1 \right| \left. 1\right\rangle = 1. \end{array}$$

Thus we get that $\langle B_{00} | B_{00} \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(1+0+0+1) = 1$. Now let us consider

$$\langle B_{00} | B_{01} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (\langle 00 | + \langle 11 | \rangle (|01\rangle + |10\rangle)$$

= $\frac{1}{2} (\langle 00 | 01\rangle + \langle 00 | 10\rangle + \langle 11 | 01\rangle + \langle 11 | 10\rangle)$
= $\frac{1}{2} (0 + 0 + 0 + 0) = 0.$

2. The proof is by contradiction. Suppose there exist a_1, b_1 and a_2, b_2 such that

$$|B_{00}\rangle = (a_1 |0\rangle + b_1 |1\rangle) \otimes (a_2 |0\rangle + b_2 |1\rangle).$$

Then we must have

$$\frac{1}{2}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) = a_1 a_2 |00\rangle + a_1 b_2 |01\rangle + b_1 a_2 |10\rangle + a_2 b_2 |11\rangle.$$

Since the states $|00\rangle$, $|01\rangle$, $|10\rangle$, $|11\rangle$ form a basis one has

$$\frac{1}{2} = a_1 a_2, \ \frac{1}{2} = b_1 b_2, \ a_1 b_2 = 0, \ b_1 a_2 = 0.$$

The third equality indicates that either $a_1 = 0$ or $b_2 = 0$ (or both). If $a_1 = 0$ we get a contradiction with the first equation. If on the other hand $b_2 = 0$, we get a contradiction with the second one. Therefore, there does not exist $|\psi_1\rangle$ and $|\psi_2\rangle$ such that $|B_{00}\rangle$ can be written as $|\psi_1\rangle \otimes |\psi_2\rangle$. Therefore, B_{00} is entangled.

$$\begin{aligned} |\gamma\rangle \otimes |\gamma\rangle &= (\cos(\gamma) |0\rangle + \sin(\gamma) |1\rangle) \otimes (\cos(\gamma) |0\rangle + \sin(\gamma) |1\rangle) \\ &= \cos^2(\gamma) |00\rangle + \cos(\gamma) \sin(\gamma) |01\rangle + \sin(\gamma) \cos(\gamma) |10\rangle + \sin^2(\gamma) |11\rangle \,. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\left|\gamma_{\perp}\right\rangle \otimes \left|\gamma_{\perp}\right\rangle = \cos^{2}(\gamma_{\perp})\left|00\right\rangle + \cos(\gamma_{\perp})\sin(\gamma_{\perp})\left|01\right\rangle + \sin(\gamma_{\perp})\cos(\gamma_{\perp})\left|10\right\rangle + \sin^{2}(\gamma_{\perp})\left|11\right\rangle.$$

A picture shows that $\cos(\gamma_{\perp}) = -\sin(\gamma)$ and $\sin(\gamma_{\perp}) = \cos(\gamma)$ (this also allows to check that $\langle \gamma | \gamma_{\perp} \rangle = 0$). Therefore, $\cos^2(\gamma_{\perp}) = \sin^2(\gamma)$, $\sin^2(\gamma_{\perp}) = \cos^2(\gamma)$ and $\cos(\gamma_{\perp})\sin(\gamma_{\perp}) = -\cos(\gamma)\sin(\gamma)$. We find that

$$|\gamma\rangle \otimes |\gamma\rangle + |\gamma_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\gamma_{\perp}\rangle = (\cos^2(\gamma) + \sin^2(\gamma)) |00\rangle + (\sin^2(\gamma) + \cos^2(\gamma)) |11\rangle,$$

and the terms $|01\rangle$ and $|10\rangle$ cancel. Finally,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\gamma\rangle \otimes |\gamma\rangle + |\gamma_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\gamma_{\perp}\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) = |B_{00}\rangle.$$

4. From the rule for the tensor product

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} \\ b \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ac \\ ad \\ bc \\ bd \end{pmatrix},$$

we get for the basis states

$$|0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad |0\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix},$$
$$|1\rangle \otimes |0\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad |1\rangle \otimes |1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\0\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus,

$$|B_{00}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{pmatrix}1\\0\\0\\1\end{pmatrix},$$
$$|B_{01}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle + |10\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{pmatrix}0\\1\\1\\0\end{pmatrix},$$
$$|B_{10}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle - |11\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{pmatrix}1\\0\\0\\-1\end{pmatrix},$$
$$|B_{11}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|01\rangle - |10\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{pmatrix}0\\1\\-1\\0\end{pmatrix}.$$

Exercice 2

1. By definition of the tensor product :

$$\begin{array}{l} \left(H\otimes I\right)|x\rangle\otimes|y\rangle=H|x\rangle\otimes I|y\rangle=H|x\rangle\otimes|y\rangle\,. \\ \mbox{Also, one can use that } H=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\begin{pmatrix}1&1\\1&-1\end{pmatrix}\ \mbox{to show that always}\\ H|x\rangle=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle+(-1)^x|1\rangle). \end{array}$$

Thus,

$$(H \otimes I) |x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle \otimes |y\rangle + (-1)^{x} |1\rangle \otimes |y\rangle).$$

Note that this state is not entangled. Indeed $(H \otimes I) |x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle = H|x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle$ which is a tensor product state.

Now we apply 'CNOT'. By linearity, we can apply it to each term separately. Thus,

$$(CNOT)(H \otimes I) |x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ((CNOT) |0\rangle \otimes |y\rangle + (-1)^{x} (CNOT) |1\rangle \otimes |y\rangle)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle \otimes |y\rangle + (-1)^{x} |1\rangle \otimes |y \oplus 1\rangle)$$
$$= |B_{xy}\rangle.$$

2. Let us first start with $H \otimes I$. We use the rule

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ae & af & be & bf \\ ag & ah & bg & bh \\ ce & cf & de & df \\ cg & ch & dg & dh \end{pmatrix},$$

Thus we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1\\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For (CNOT), we use the definition :

$$(CNOT) |x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle = |x\rangle \otimes |y \oplus x\rangle$$

which implies that the matrix elements are

$$\langle x'y' | CNOT | xy \rangle = \langle x', y' | x, y \otimes x \rangle = \langle x' | x \rangle \langle y' | y \oplus x \rangle = \delta_{xx'} \delta_{y \oplus x, y'}$$

We obtain the following table with columns xy and rows x'y':

	00	01	10	11
00	1	0	0	0
01	0	1	0	0
00 01 10 11	0	0	0	1
11	0	0	1	0

For the matrix product $(CNOT)(H \otimes I)$, we find that

$$(CNOT)H \otimes I = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0\\ 0 & X \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & I\\ I & -I \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} I & I\\ X & -X \end{pmatrix},$$

where $X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Thus,

$$(CNOT)(H \otimes I) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1\\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

One can check that for example $|B_{00}\rangle = (CNOT)(H \otimes I) |0\rangle \otimes |0\rangle$. Finally to check the unitarity, we have to check that $UU^{\dagger} = U^{\dagger}U = I$ for $U = H \otimes I$, CNOT and $(CNOT)(H \otimes I)$. We leave this to the reader.

3. Let $U = (CNOT)(H \otimes I)$. We have

$$|B_{xy}\rangle = U |x\rangle \otimes |y\rangle, \langle B_{x'y'}| = \langle x'| \otimes \langle y'| U^{\dagger}.$$

Thus,

$$\langle B_{x'y'} | B_{xy} \rangle = \langle x' | \otimes \langle y' | U^{\dagger}U | x \rangle \otimes | y \rangle$$

= $\langle x' | \otimes \langle y' | I | x \rangle \otimes | y \rangle$
= $\langle x' | x \rangle \langle y' | y \rangle = \delta_{xx'} \delta_{yy'}.$

Exercice 3

1. The possible outcomes of the measurement are simply the basis states. Let us compute the probability that the first basis state $|\alpha\rangle \otimes |\beta\rangle$ is the outcome. According to the measurement principle :

$$\operatorname{Prob}(\alpha,\beta) = \left| (\langle \alpha | \otimes \langle \beta |) (|B_{00}\rangle) \right|^2$$

Using $|B_{00}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\alpha\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle$ (see exercise 1 and choose $\gamma = \alpha$) we get

$$Prob(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{2} |\langle \alpha | \alpha \rangle \langle \beta | \alpha \rangle + \langle \alpha | \alpha_{\perp} \rangle \langle \beta | \alpha_{\perp} \rangle|^{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha - \beta))^{2}$$

For the three other probabilities we have

$$\operatorname{Prob}(\alpha, \beta_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha - \beta_{\perp}))^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(\alpha - \beta))^2$$
$$\operatorname{Prob}(\alpha_{\perp}, \beta) = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha_{\perp} - \beta))^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\sin(\alpha - \beta))^2$$
$$\operatorname{Prob}(\alpha_{\perp}, \beta_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha_{\perp} - \beta_{\perp}))^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha - \beta))^2$$

2. In her lab Alice observes $|\alpha\rangle$ ou $|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle$. Using the results above (with $(\cos^2 + \sin^2 = 1)$ we find the probabilities

$$\operatorname{Prob}(\alpha) = \operatorname{Prob}(\alpha, \beta) + \operatorname{Prob}(\alpha, \beta_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

 et

$$\operatorname{Prob}(\alpha_{\perp}) = \operatorname{Prob}(\alpha_{\perp}, \beta) + \operatorname{Prob}(\alpha_{\perp}, \beta_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

De même Bob dans son labo observe $|\beta\rangle$ ou $|\beta_{\perp}\rangle$ avec probabilités 1/2. So from the perspective of Alice and Bob each quantum bit is completely random!

3. First only Alice measures. The resulting states are calculated by acting with the projectors on $|B_{00}\rangle$:

$$(|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|\otimes I)|B_{00}\rangle, \qquad (|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle\langle\alpha_{\perp}|\otimes I)|B_{00}\rangle$$

Using the formula of exercise 1 for $\gamma = \alpha$ we find the two states

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\alpha\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle, \qquad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle$$

Since we should normalise the states we must discard the $1/\sqrt{2}$ in these formulas. The probabilities are

$$\left| (\langle \alpha | \otimes \langle \alpha |) (|B_{00} \rangle) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{2}, \qquad \left| (\langle \alpha_\perp | \otimes \langle \alpha_\perp |) (|B_{00} \rangle) \right|^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Now Bob measures. Thus the states just obtained after Alice's measurement are projected with the projectors $I \otimes |\beta\rangle\langle\beta|$ or $I \otimes |\beta_{\perp}\rangle\langle\beta_{\perp}|$.

– If after Alice's measurement the state is $|\alpha\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle$ (occurs with prob 1/2) when Bob measures the state becomes (proportional to)

$$(I \otimes |\beta\rangle \langle \beta|)(|\alpha\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle) = \langle \beta|\alpha\rangle |\alpha\rangle \otimes |\beta\rangle, \qquad (I \otimes |\beta_{\perp}\rangle \langle \beta_{\perp}|)(|\alpha\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle) = \langle \beta_{\perp}|\alpha\rangle |\alpha\rangle \otimes |\beta_{\perp}\rangle$$

with probabilities

$$\frac{1}{2}|\langle \alpha| \otimes \langle \beta|\alpha\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle|^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(\alpha-\beta))^2, \qquad \frac{1}{2}|\langle \alpha| \otimes \langle \beta_{\perp}|\alpha\rangle \otimes |\alpha\rangle|^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\sin(\alpha-\beta))^2$$

– If after Alice's measurement the state is $|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle$ (occurs with prob 1/2) when Bob measures the state becomes (proportional to)

$$(I \otimes |\beta\rangle \langle \beta|)(|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle) = \langle \beta|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\beta\rangle, \qquad (I \otimes |\beta_{\perp}\rangle \langle \beta_{\perp}|)(|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle) = \langle \beta_{\perp}|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle \otimes |\beta_{\perp}\rangle$$

with probabilities

$$\frac{1}{2}|\langle \alpha_{\perp}|\otimes\langle\beta|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle\otimes|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle|^{2} = \frac{1}{2}(\sin(\alpha-\beta))^{2}, \qquad \frac{1}{2}|\langle\alpha_{\perp}|\otimes\langle\beta_{\perp}|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle\otimes|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle|^{2} = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(\alpha-\beta))^{2}$$

- 4. The previous question implies that when Alice does the measurement first and Bob after :
 - Alice got the result $|\alpha\rangle$ or $|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle$ with prob 1/2.
 - Bob got in his lab the result $|\beta\rangle$ with probability

$$\frac{1}{2}(\cos(\alpha - \beta))^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\sin(\alpha - \beta))^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

or the result $|\beta_{\perp}\rangle$ with probability

$$\frac{1}{2}(\sin(\alpha - \beta))^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\cos(\alpha - \beta))^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

5. Summarising, this exercise has shown that the observations of Alice and Bob in each lab are the same wether the measurements are done simultaneously or in a series. With no communication between Alice and Bob the net result is :

– Alice chooses a measurement basis $\{|\alpha\rangle, |\alpha_{\perp}\rangle\}$ and gets the outcomes $|\alpha\rangle$ or $|\alpha_{\perp}\rangle$ with probability 1/2;

– Bob chooses a measurement basis $\{|\beta\rangle, |\beta_{\perp}\rangle\}$ and gets the outcomes $|\beta\rangle$ or $|\beta_{\perp}\rangle$ with probability 1/2.

With no communication the entanglement (intrication) is never detectable by local operations. Quantum bits in each separate lab appear to Alice and Bob as completely disordered or random.