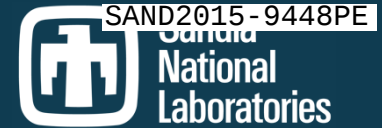


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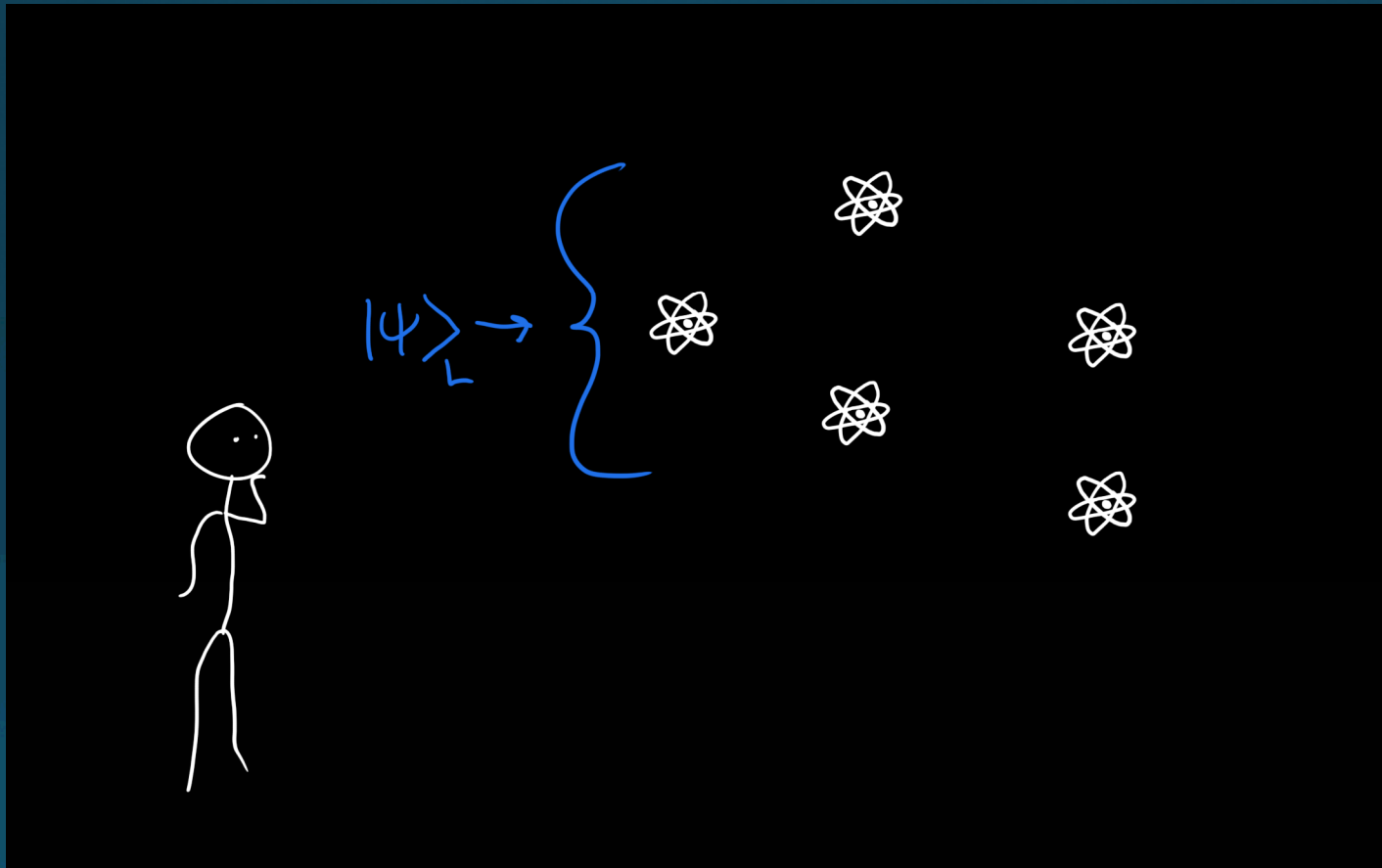
Quantum Error Correcting Code Simulation

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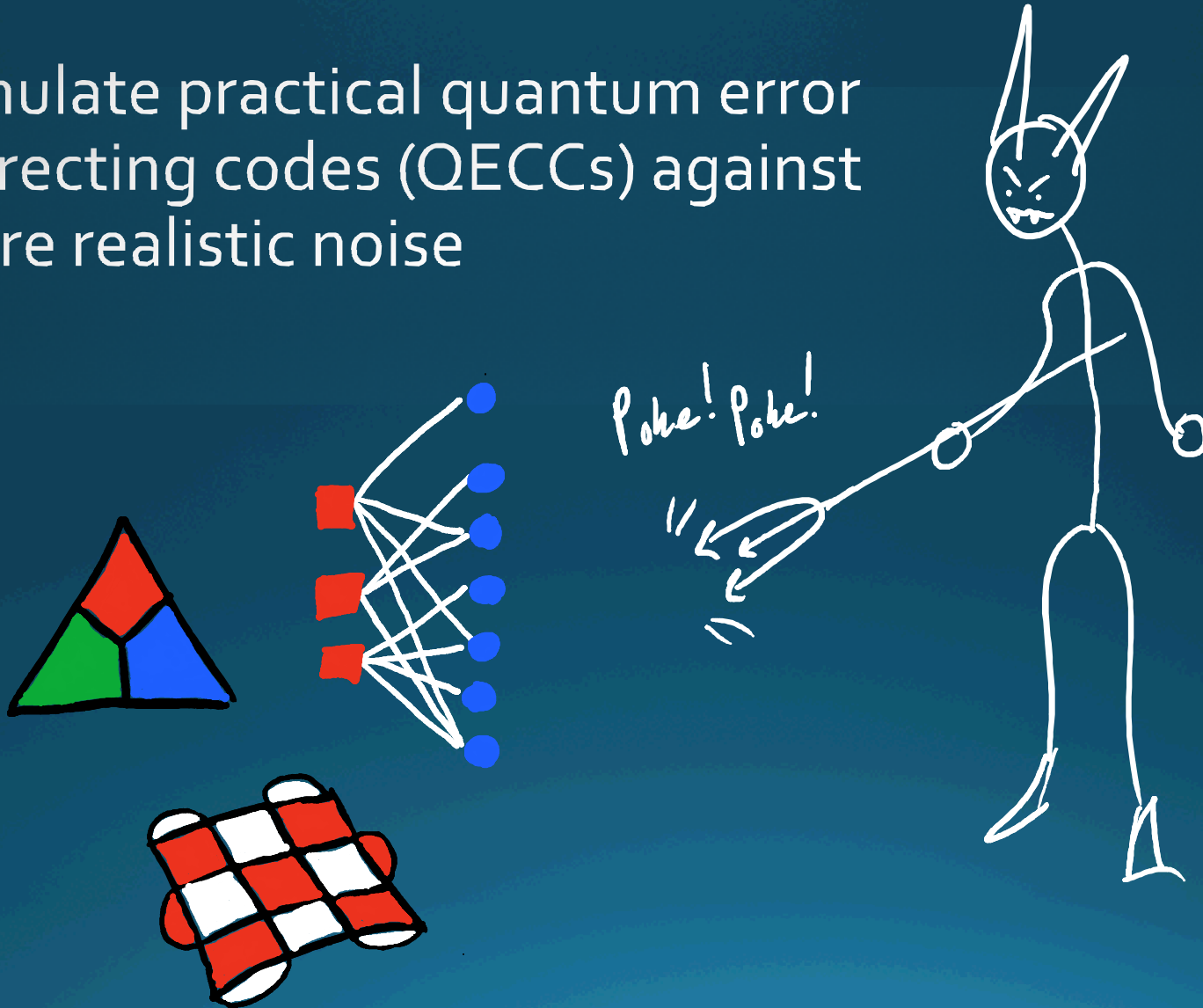
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The Wish



Motivation

- Simulate practical quantum error correcting codes (QECCs) against more realistic noise



PECOS

- Logic checker
- Distance checker
- Threshold calculation
 - Any QECCs with Clifford circuits and Pauli measurements
 - Flexible Error Model
 - Decoders

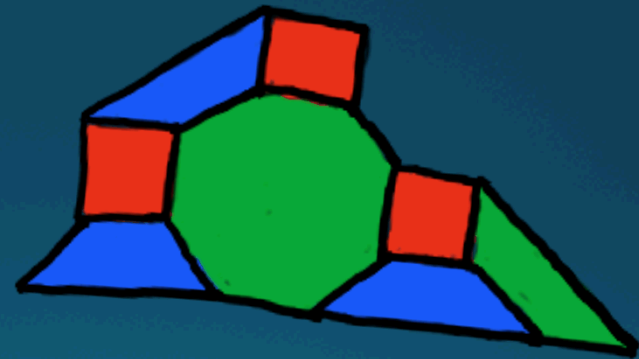
What type of QECCs?

- Spatially-local, parity measurements
- Embeddable on a plane
- Efficient determination of recovery operations (decoding)
- High error tolerance

Topological Stabilizer Codes

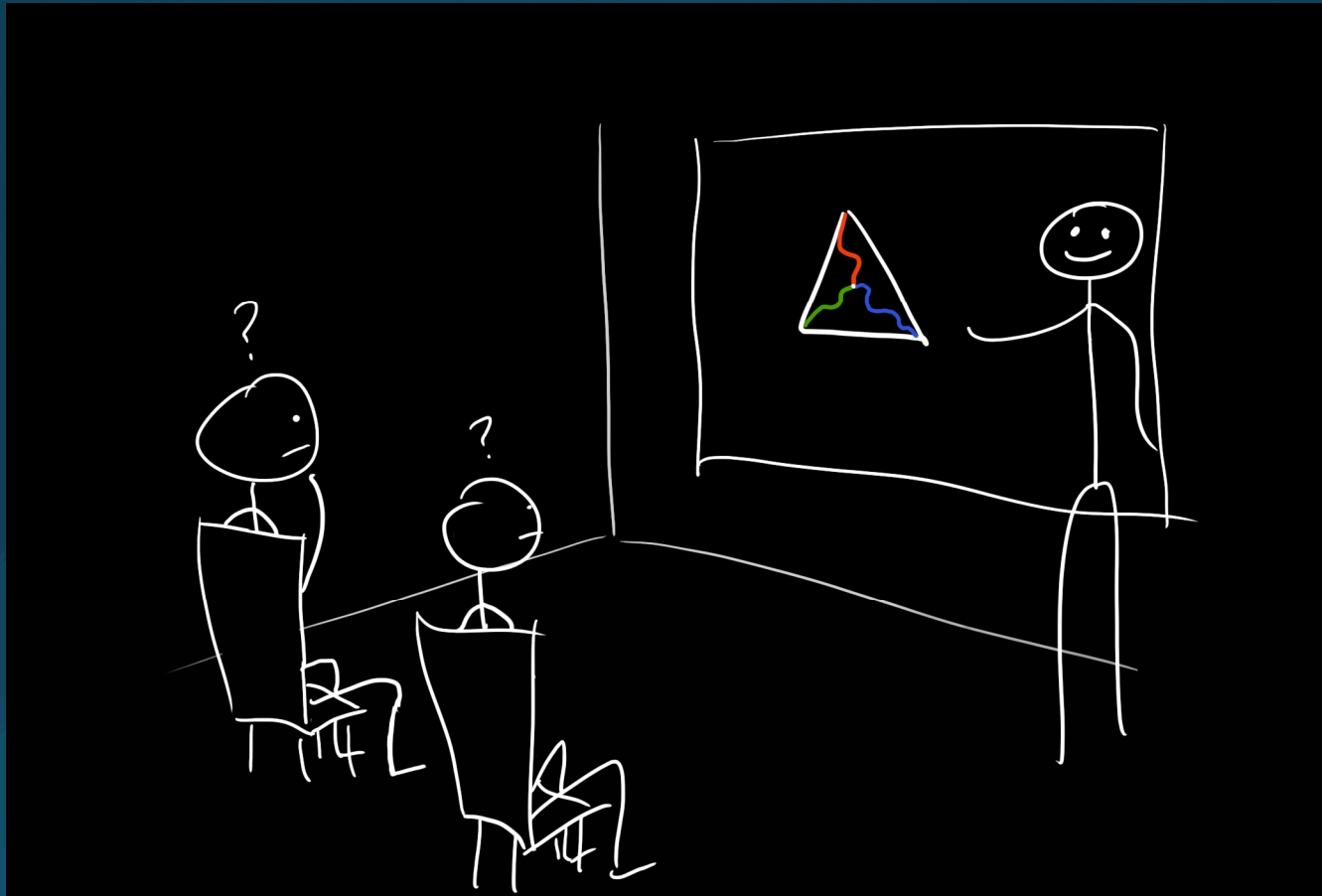


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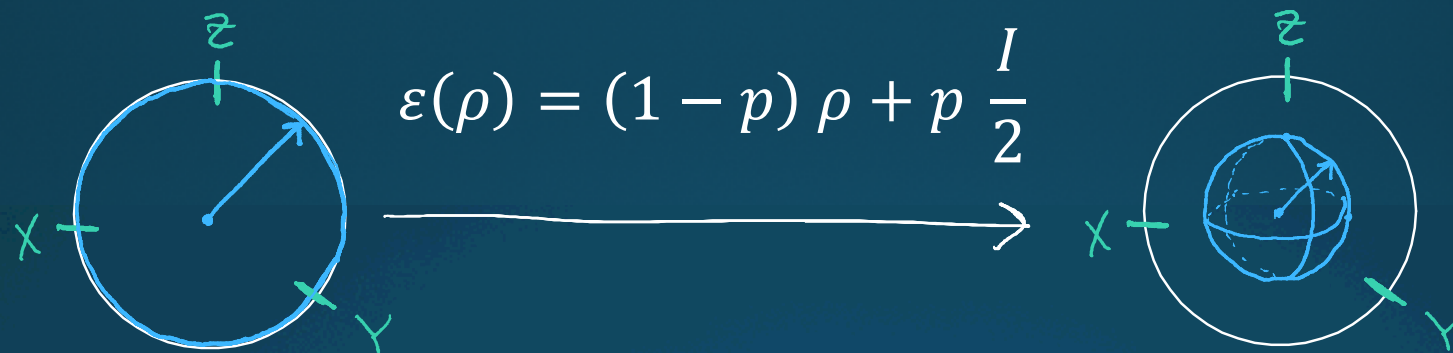
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No Strings Attached



Standard Error Model

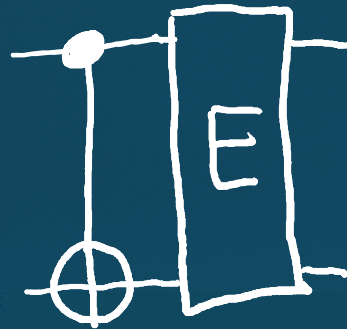
- Symmetric depolarizing channel



$$\varepsilon(\rho) = (1 - p') \rho + \frac{p'}{3} (X\rho X + Y\rho Y + Z\rho Z)$$



Two Qubit Operations



$$1 - p \rightarrow II$$

$$p \rightarrow \{IX, IY, IZ, XI, \dots, ZZ\}$$

Parity Measurements



Simulation of Standard Choice

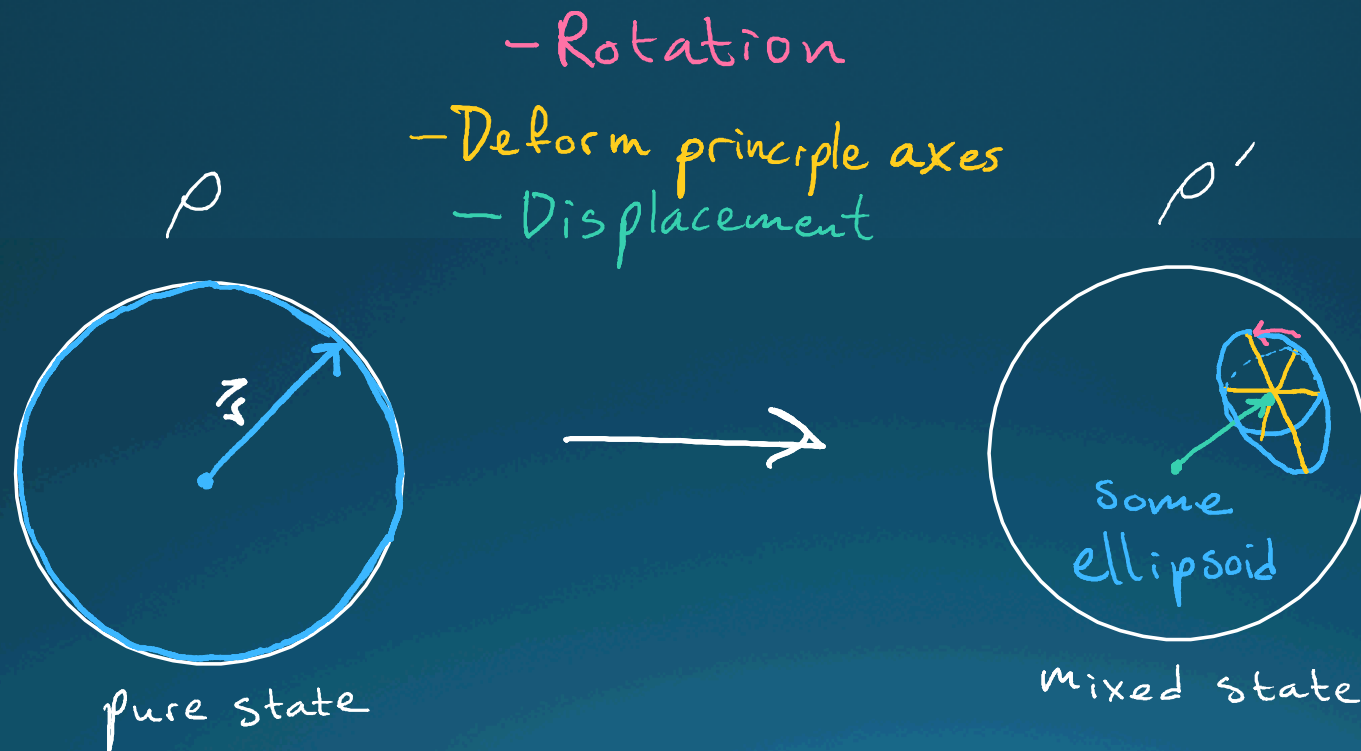
- Cliffords allow Paulis to be pushed through

$$\text{---} \boxed{P_1} \text{---} \boxed{C_1} \text{---} = \text{---} \boxed{C_1} \text{---} \boxed{P'_1} \text{---}$$

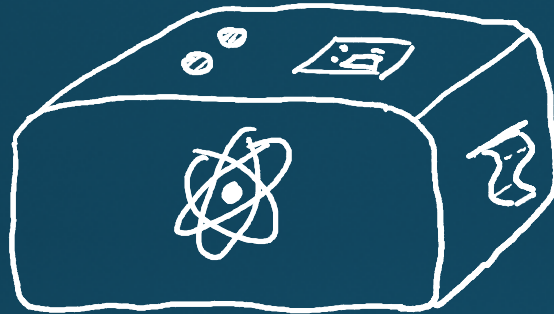
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \boxed{P_2} \boxed{C_2} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \boxed{C_2} \boxed{P'_2} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

- Logical operations are transversal Paulis, thus logical errors can be determined.

Beyond Depolarizing noise



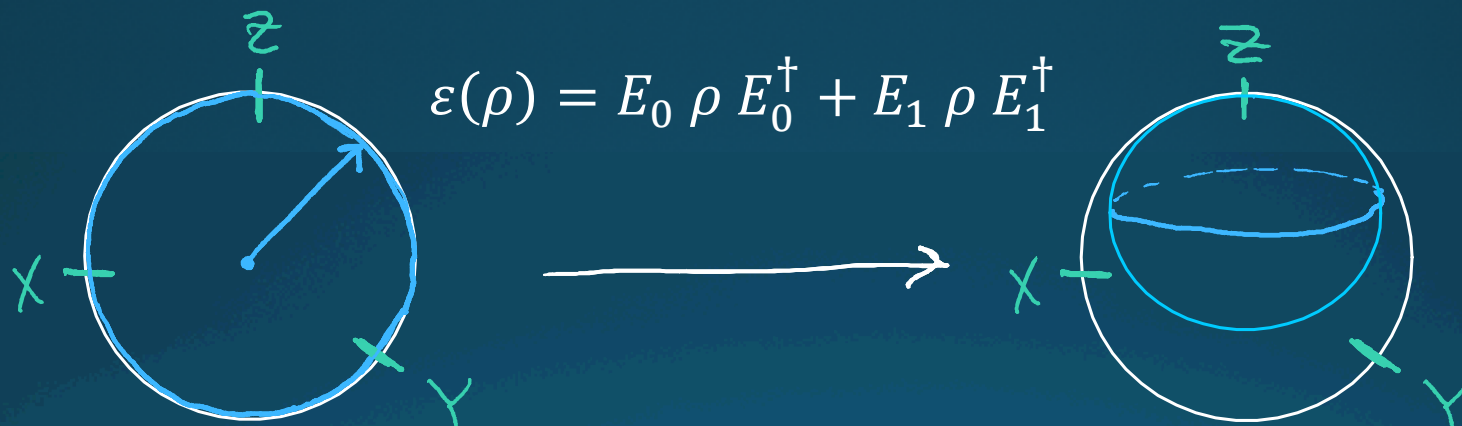
Decoherence



- T_1 error - Amplitude Damping
- T_2 error - Phase Damping

Amplitude Damping

- Energy dissipation

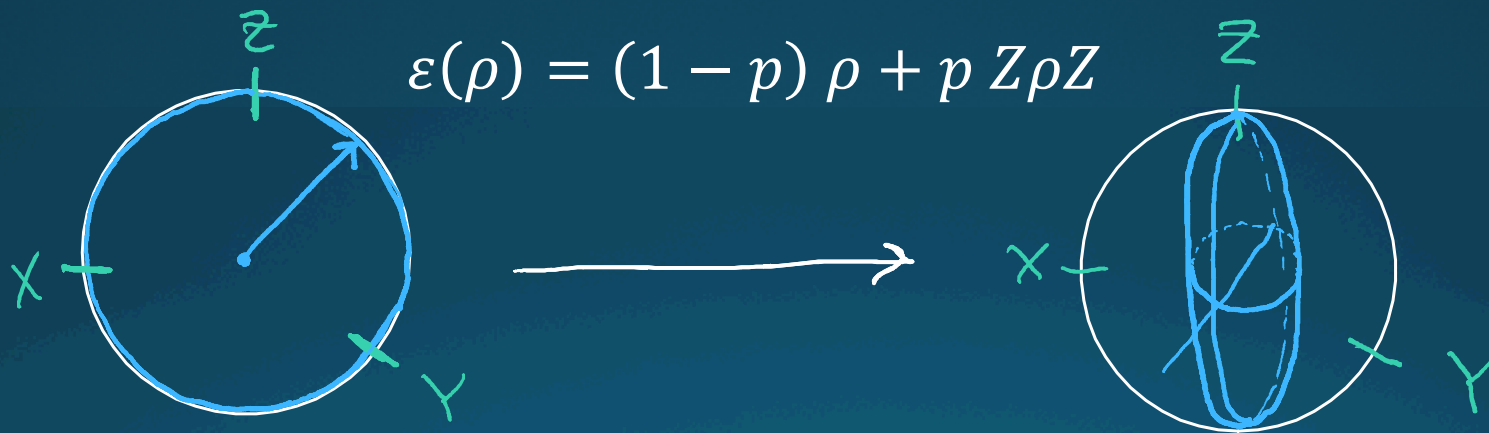


$$E_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1-\gamma} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{\gamma} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Phase Damping

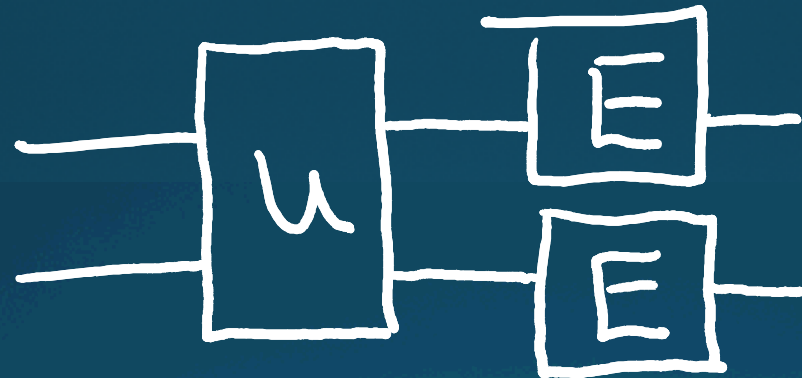
- Loss of information without loss of energy



$$E_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1-\lambda} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\lambda} \end{bmatrix}$$

Two Qubit Errors



Approximation

- Pauli Twirling:

$$\varepsilon_{PT}(\rho) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{P_i \in \mathcal{P}} P_i \varepsilon(P_i \rho P_i) P_i$$

- Asymmetric depolarizing channel:

$$\varepsilon(\rho) = (1 - p_X - p_Y - p_Z) \rho + p_X X \rho X + p_Y Y \rho Y + p_Z Z \rho Z$$

$$p_X = p_Y = \frac{\gamma}{4} \quad p_Z = \frac{1 - \sqrt{(1 - \gamma)(1 - \lambda)}}{2} - \frac{\gamma}{4}$$

Better Modeling

- Gottesman-Knill theorem [1]:
 - Circuits of Clifford gates can be simulated in $O(n^3)$ steps
- Gottesman-Aaronson [2]
 - $O(n^2)$ steps can be used

[1] Gottesman arXiv:quant-ph/9705052

[2] Aaronson, Gottesman arXiv:quant-ph/0406196

Stabilizer Simulation

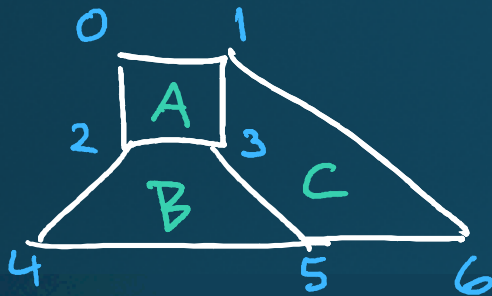
$$S|\Psi\rangle = +|\Psi\rangle$$

$$U|\Psi\rangle = US|\Psi\rangle = USU^\dagger U|\Psi\rangle$$

M_S : Projects onto subspace of $+S$ or $-S$

$$\frac{I \pm S}{2}$$

Improve By Using Sparsity



$$\begin{aligned} Y: & X \rightarrow -X \\ & Z \rightarrow -Z \\ & Y \rightarrow Y \end{aligned}$$

$$S' = S \oplus X \oplus Z$$

Checks

$$\begin{array}{c} X_0 X_1 X_2 X_3 \quad Z_0 Z_1 Z_2 Z_3 \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

signs

$$Z_{\text{row}} [(0, 1, 2, 3), (), (2, 3, 4, 5), (), (1, 3, 5, 6), ()]$$

Like wise for X...

$$Z_{\text{column}} [(1), (1, 5), (1, 3), (1, 3, 5), (3), (3, 5), (5)]$$

Like wise for X...

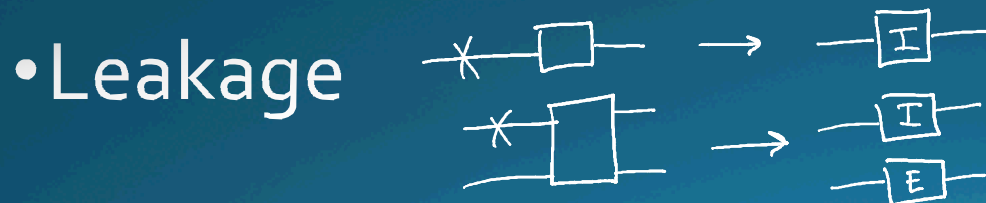
What Does this Buy Us?

- More accurate approximations
 - Clifford noise ($2^4 C_1$ and $11,520 C_2$ elements)
 - Measurement-like errors
 - $E_0 = \sqrt{p}|0\rangle\langle 0|$ $E_1 = \sqrt{p}|0\rangle\langle 1|$
 - Measurement followed by conditioned gate
 - Allows amplitude damping to be modelled more accurately
- Other errors
 - Replace gates with other Cliffords

[1] Magesan et al. arXiv:1206.5407, [2] PuZZuoli, et al. arXiv:1309.4717
[3] Gutiérrez et al. arXiv:1207.0046

Other Errors

- Unitary rotation (e.g. global magnetic field)
- Bursts
- Non-local two qubit error
- Other space and time correlations
- Non-uniform error model

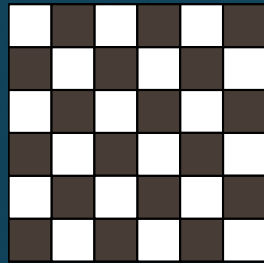


Experiment-Informed Error

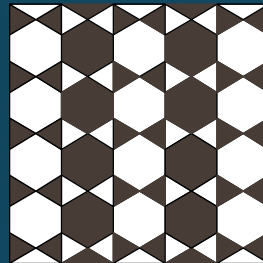
- Tomography and state simulation
 - Process matrix
 - Cliffords and other simulatable errors
 - ⇒ Approximate more accurately
new (more realistic) error models

Other Lattices

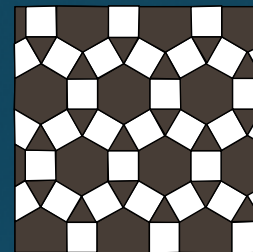
Surface codes



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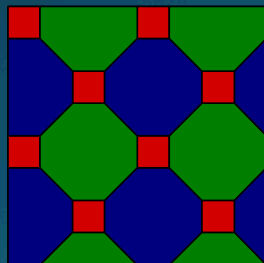


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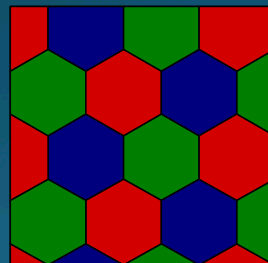


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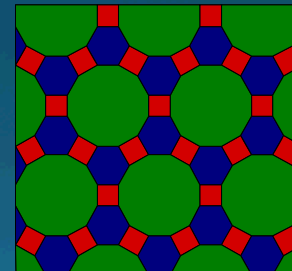
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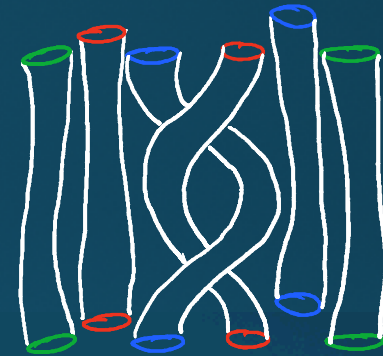
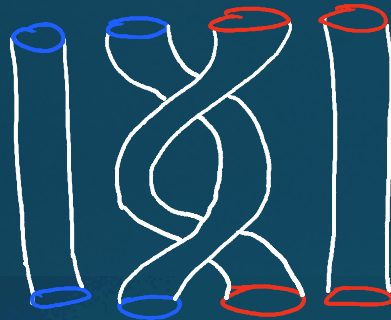
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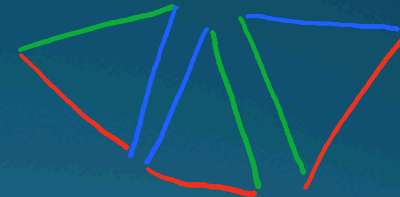
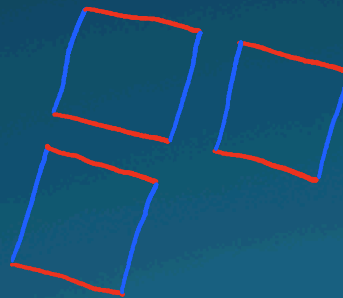
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Beyond Memory

Defects



Lattice Surgery



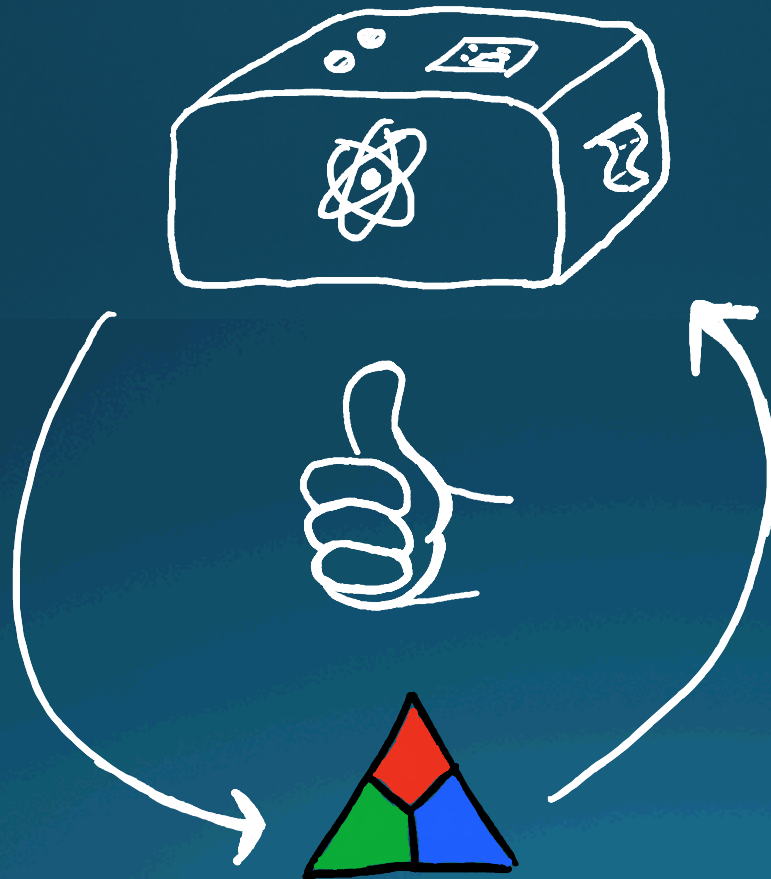
Horsman *et al.*, NJP **14**, 123011 (2012).

arXiv: 1407.5103

Dealing With Error

- Modify decoders
- Different parity measurement circuitry
- Alter logical operations and other tweak to lattice

QECC and Experiment



The End