

Title: Quantum Error Correction 1A

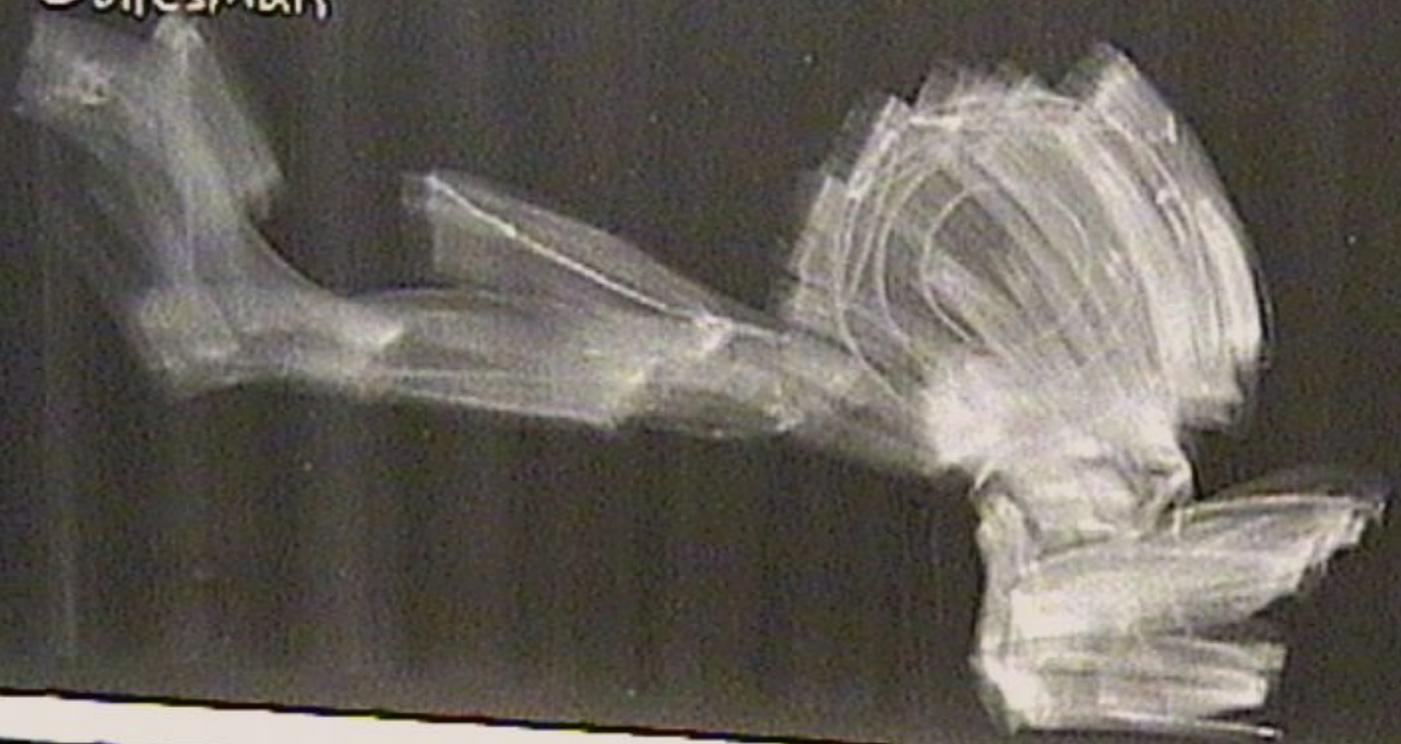
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Abstract: Administrative introduction, quantum operations, examples of quantum channels, quantum code correcting bit flip errors, quantum code correcting phase errors

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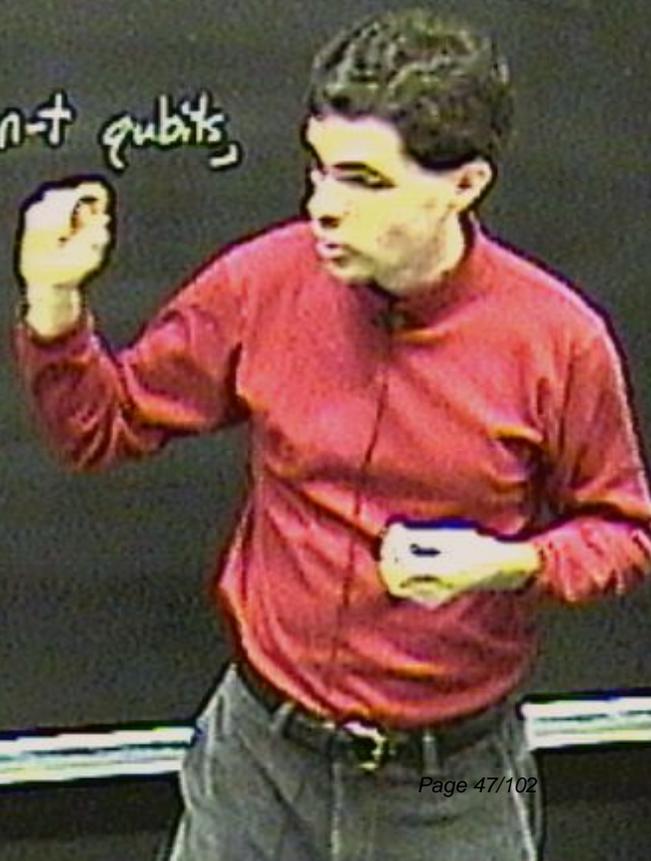
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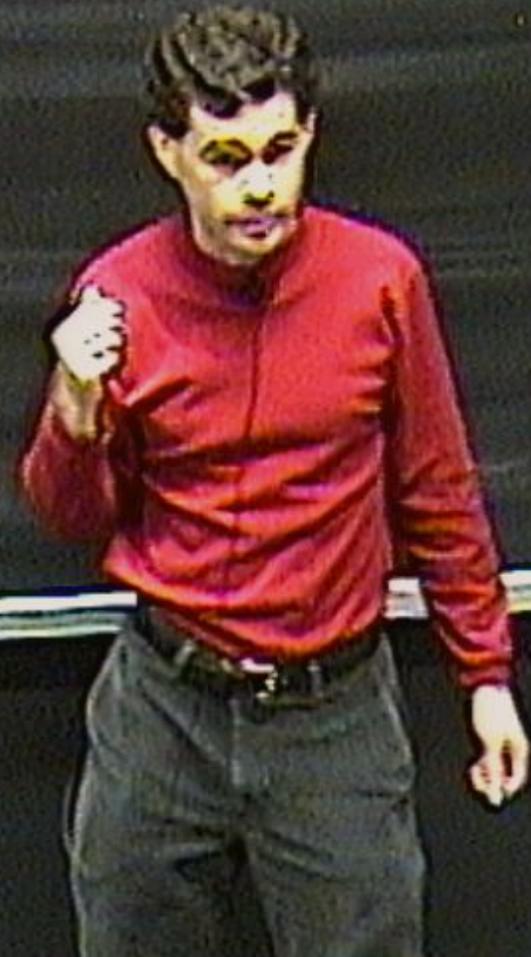
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w/ Prob. $1-p$, no error, w/ Prob. p , phase flip

" T_2 " time for dephasing $1-p = e^{-T/T_2}$

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$$S(\rho) = (1 - \frac{4}{3}p)\rho + \frac{4}{3}p(\frac{I}{4})$$

$$I = \frac{1}{4}(X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2)$$

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Pauli channel

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Amplitude damping

$$S(\rho) = A_0\rho A_0^\dagger + A_1\rho A_1^\dagger$$

$$A_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\gamma} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{\gamma} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



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Dependent variables

$$S(p) = (1 - \frac{1}{3} p^2)$$

$$S(z) = (1 - \frac{1}{3} p^2 p^2)$$

Pauli matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Probability

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Amplitude

T_1 time



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Product channel: $S(\rho^{\otimes 3}) = 3S(\rho)$
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 Time

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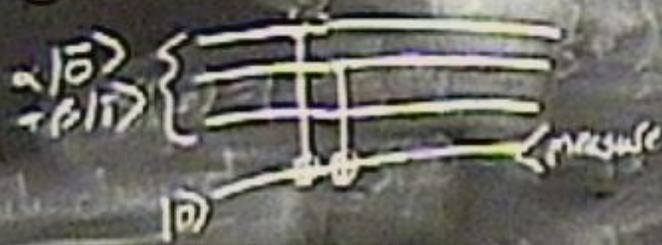


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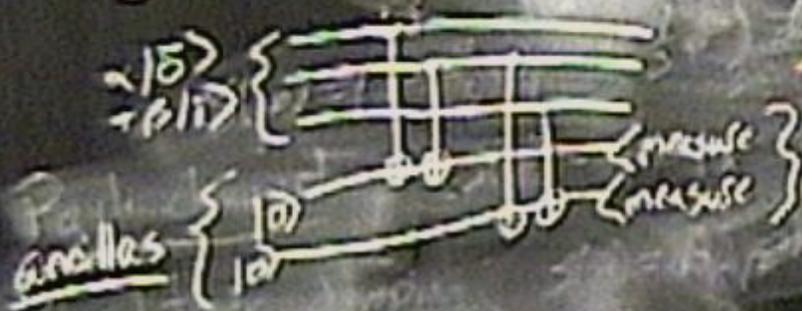


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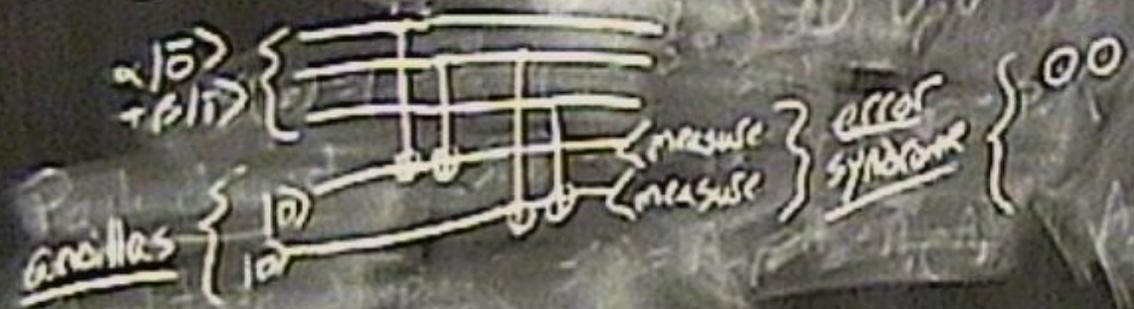


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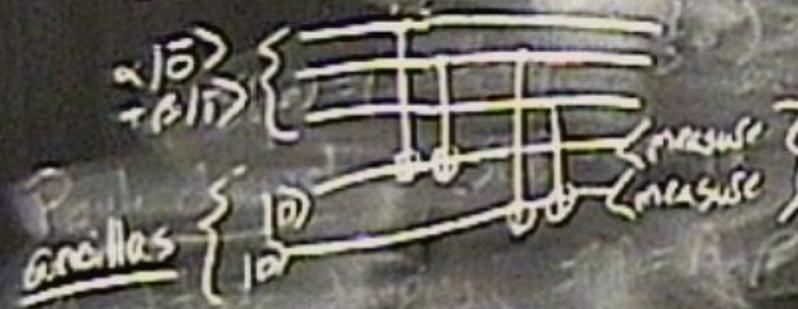


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error syndrome

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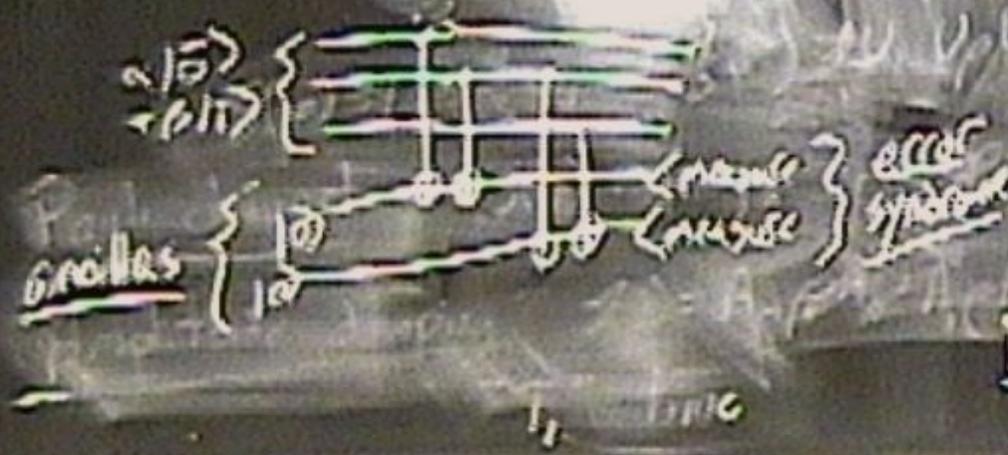


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"Independent" or "memoryless"

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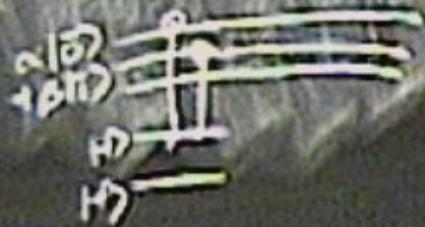
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