Title: Foliated Quantum Codes, with a chance of Anyonic Time

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Abstract: Raussendorf introduced a powerful model of fault tolerant measurement based quantum computation, which can be understood as a layering (or "foliation―) of a multiplicity of Kitaev's toric code. I will discuss our generalisation of Raussendorf's construction to an arbitrary CSS code. We call this a Foliated Quantum Code. Decoding this foliated construction is not necessarily straightforward, so I will discuss an example in which we foliate a family of finite-rate quantum turbo codes, and present the results of numerical simulations of the decoder performance.

If I have time, I will discuss some ongoing work (with Gavin Brennan) on relational time applied to topological quantum field theories, in particular, how anyonic systems with essentially trivial dynamics can still exhibit correlations that track "time".

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Foliated Quantum Codes

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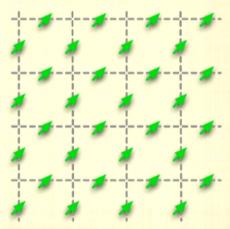
with: Andrew Bolt, David Poulin, Guillaume Duclos-Cianci



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Toric codes defined

- A toric code is an encoding of a *logical* quantum state into a set of *physical* "spins".
- Physical spins live on the links of an $L \times L$ lattice:
- Periodic boundary conditions (i.e. embeddable on a torus)
- Kitaev, quant-ph/9707021



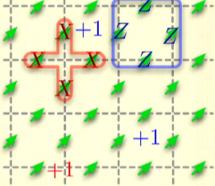
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Toric codes defined

- A toric code is defined by its stabiliser operators: stars and plaquettes
- Plaquettes commute with other plaquettes.
- Stars commute with other stars.
- Plaquettes commute with stars

$$[X_i X_j, Z_i Z_j] = 0$$

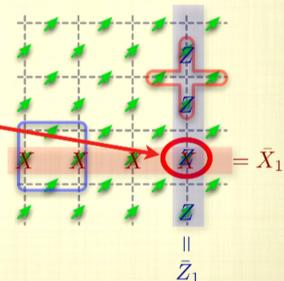
The code is a simultaneous eigenstate of all the stabilisers, with eigenvalue +1



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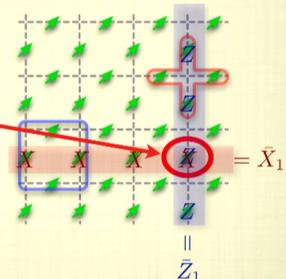
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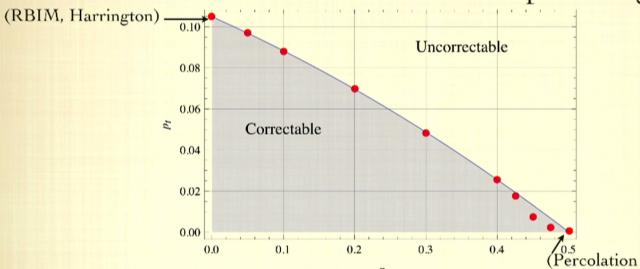
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Losing Memory gracefully

Numerical error threshold vs. loss rate 'phase diagram'



End points of phase diagram:

$$(p_{\rm loss}, p_{\rm err}) = (0, 0.104) \text{ and } (0.5, 0)$$

No-cloning,

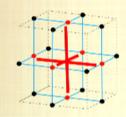
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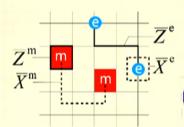
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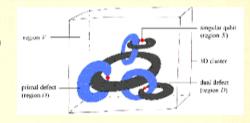
- How about fault tolerance and quantum computing?
- A 3D lattice does the job...

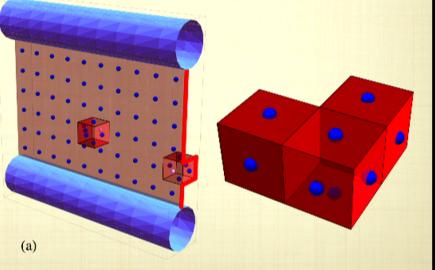
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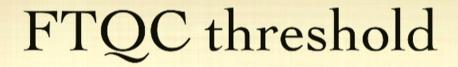


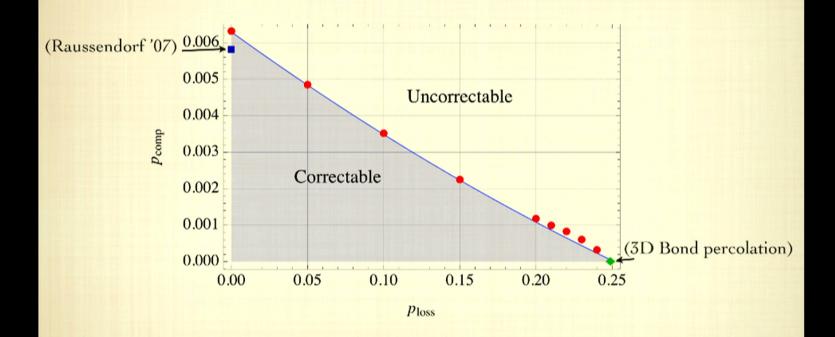
Same tricks work (deforming logical operators and making super-stars)





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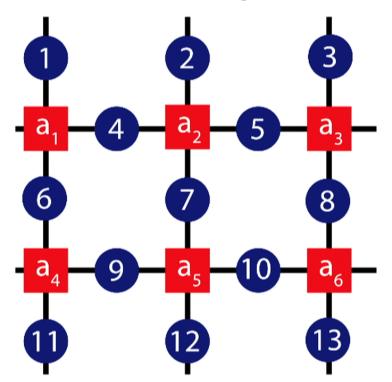


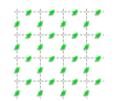
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Cluster State Progenitors

Toric code Cluster State Progenitors:

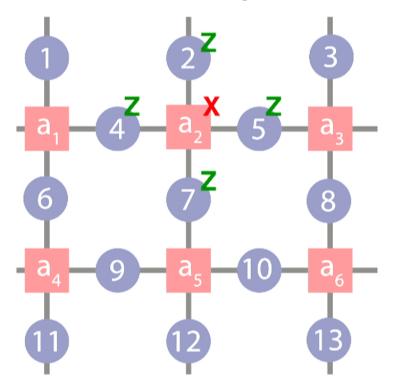


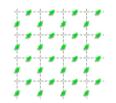


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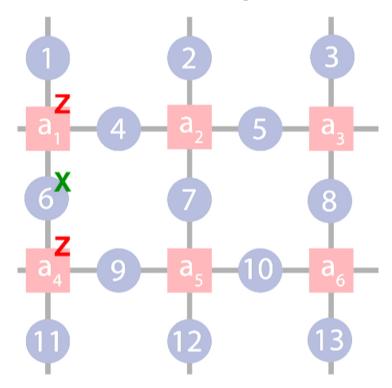
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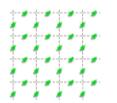
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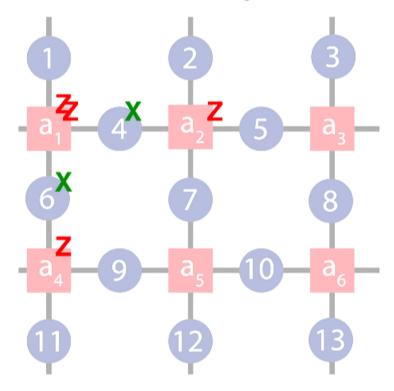


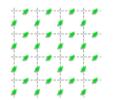
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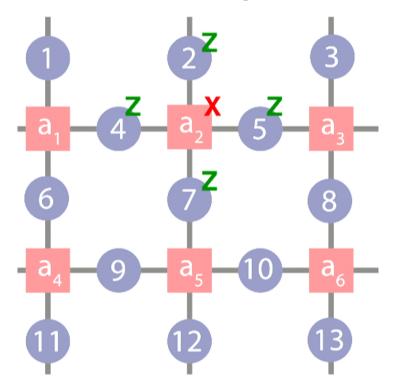


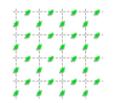


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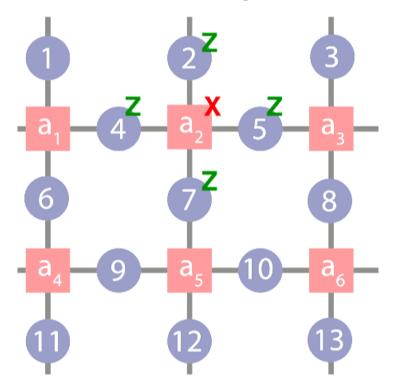


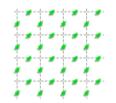


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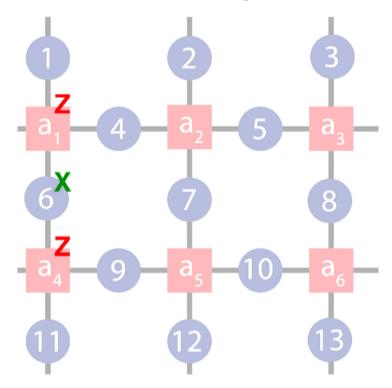
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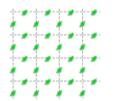
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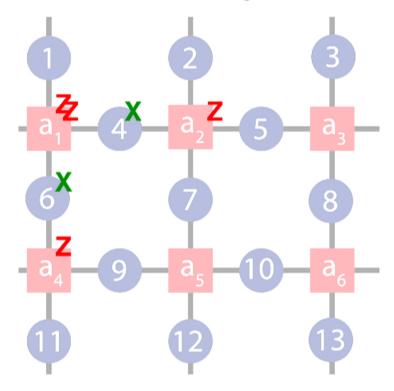


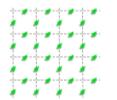
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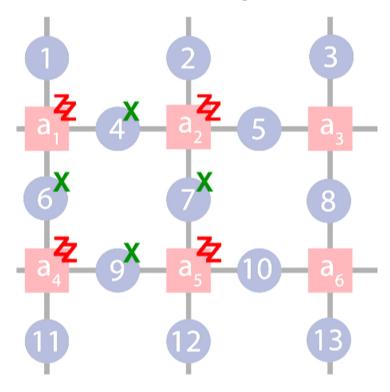


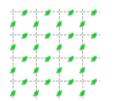
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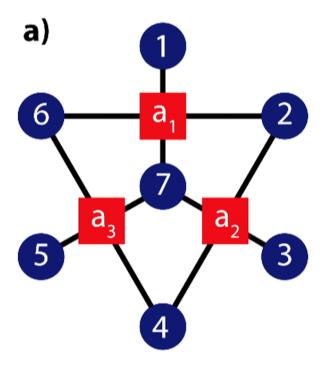


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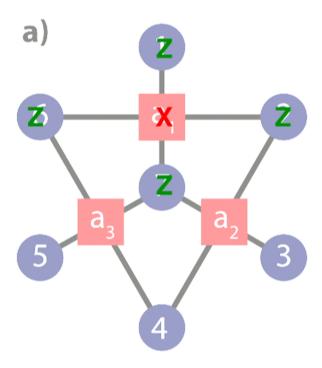




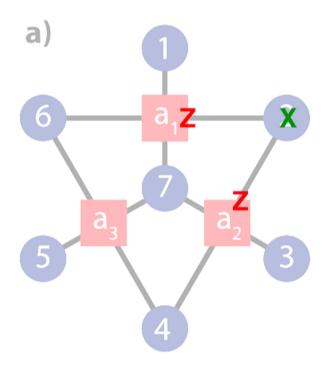
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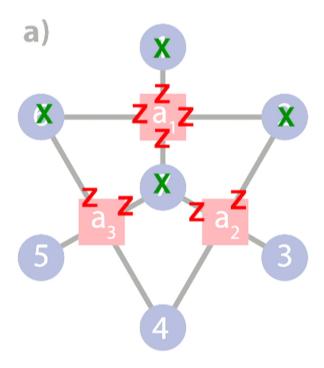
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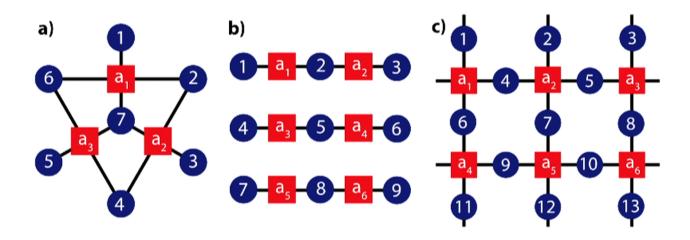






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Assertion: can construct CSS code states from cluster states (defined on code qubits plus ancilla), by single-qubit X- measurement



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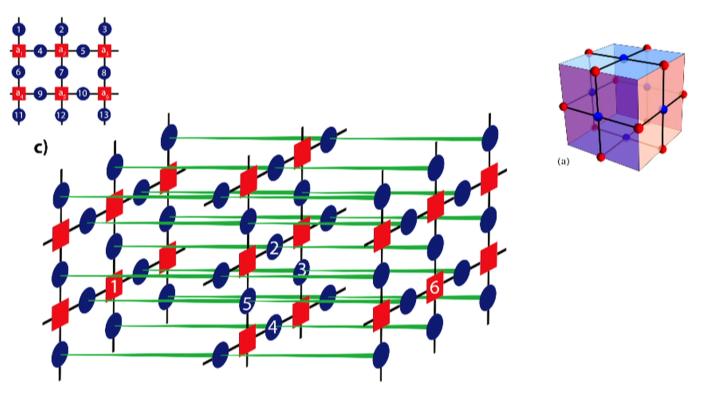






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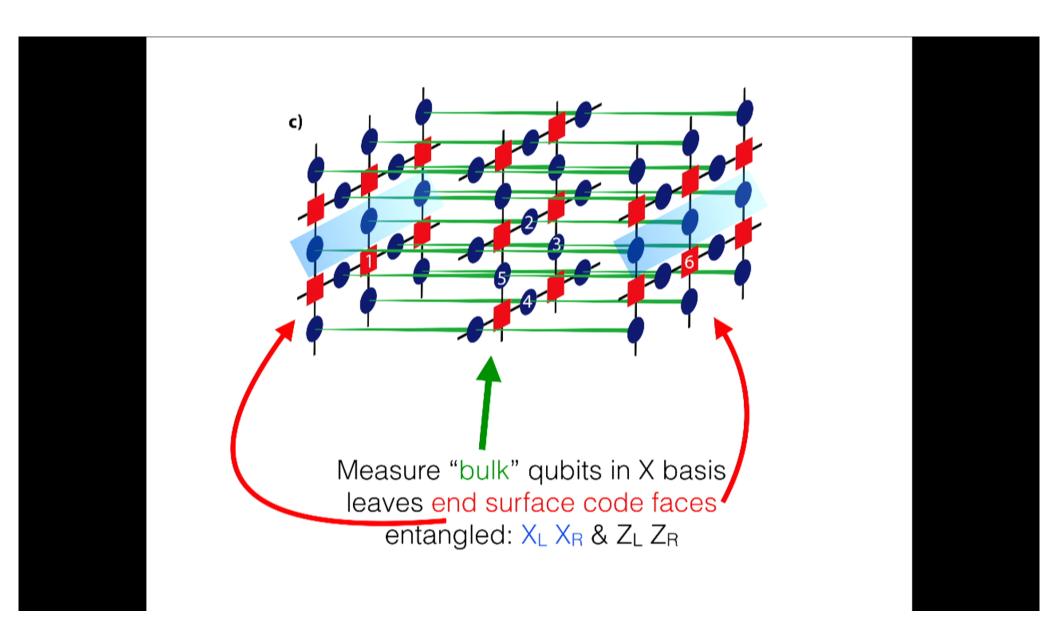
Raussendorf=Foliated Surface Code



Long-range quantum entanglement in noisy cluster states

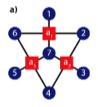
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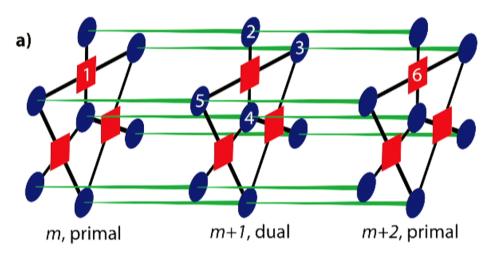
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Foliated Steane Code



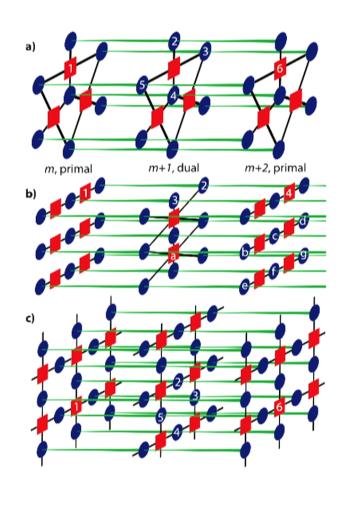


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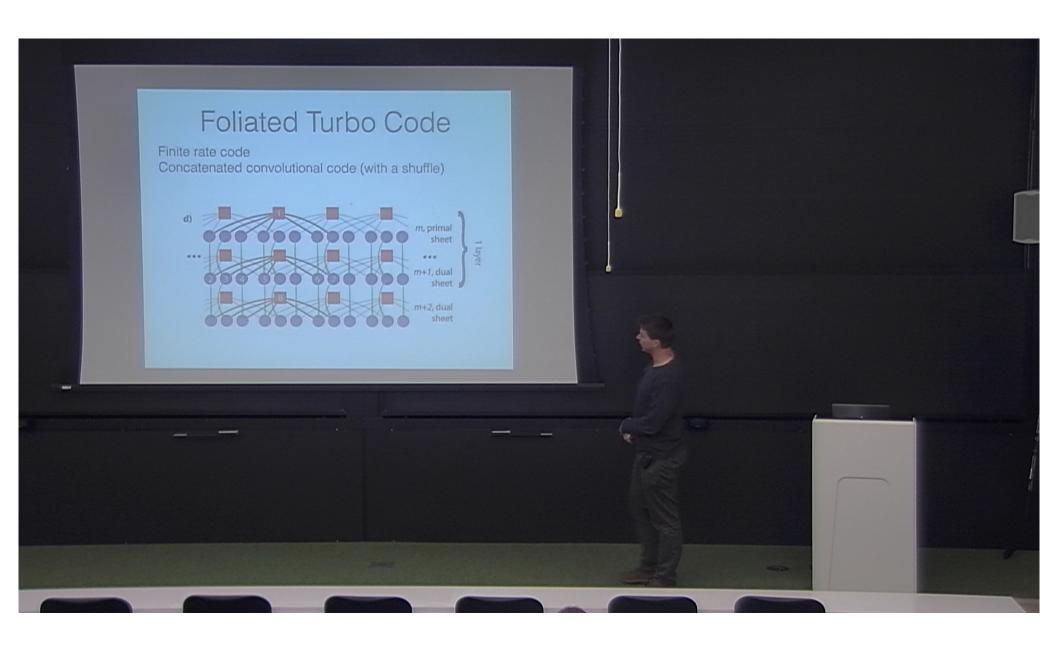
Assertion: can foliate code cluster states together.

Bulk measurements leave end faces entangled

Errors are detected by parity check operators



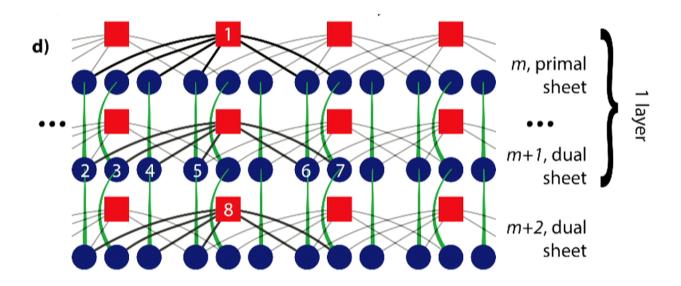
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Foliated Turbo Code

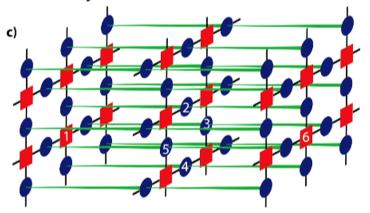
Finite rate code Concatenated convolutional code (with a shuffle)



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Error Decoding

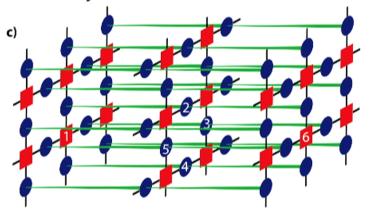
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Heuristic Decoder

1. For each code qubit, *j*, in sheet *m*, CSS decoder calculates an in-sheet error model probability distribution,

$$P_m(\sigma_j \mid S_m \cup P_{m\pm 1}(a_k))$$

subject to the measured code syndrome S_m , and an assumed error distribution, $P_{m\pm 1}(a_k)$, for errors on ancilla qubits, a_k , in adjacent dual sheets.

- 2. From 1 fix code qubit error model, $P_m(\sigma_j)$, and calculate error model on the dual-sheet ancilla qubits, $P_{m\pm 1}(a_k \mid S_{m\pm 1} \cup P_m(\sigma_j))$
- 3. Iterate to step 1, using the result of Step 2 for $P_{m\pm 1}(a_k)$, repeating until each error model converges.

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Turbo Code CSS Decoder

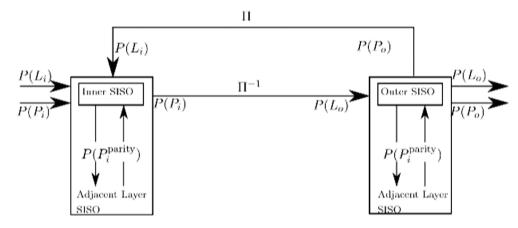
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1+D+D^2 & 1+D+D^3 & 1+D+D^2+ & 1 \\ & D^3 & & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{ft} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+D+D^2 & 1+D^2+D^3 & 1+D^2+D^3 \\ +D^3+D^4 & +D^5 & +D^4+D^5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_{ft}^T = \begin{bmatrix} D^2 & 1+D^2+D^3 & 1+D+D^3 & 0 \\ 1+D^2+D^3 & 1+D+D^3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

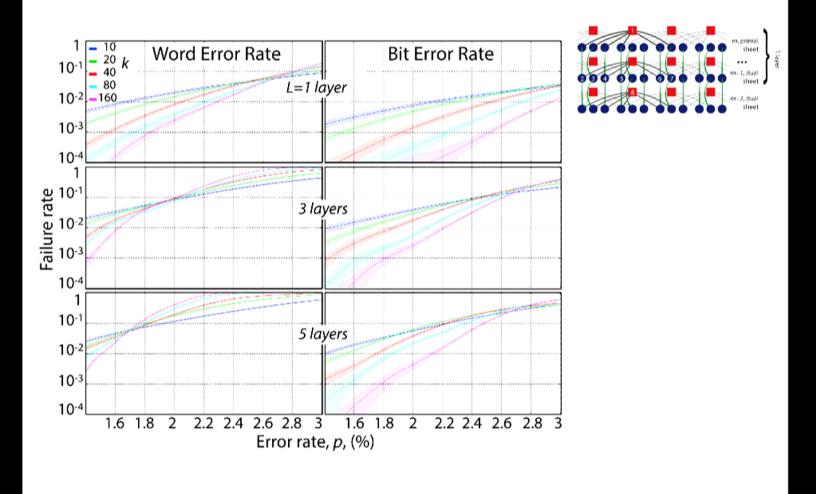
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$$H = \left[egin{array}{cccc} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & & & & \ & h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & & & \ & & h_1 & h_2 & h_3 \dots \end{array}
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• Results for turbo code [[n, k=n/25, d=25]]



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Conclusions

- Can clusterize CSS codes
- Can foliate clusterized CSS codes
- Heuristic decoder for foliated code using soft CSS decoder
- Promising performance from numerical studies
- Potential for quantum repeater networks with finite rate codes
- Code deformation, quasi-transversal codes etc for FTQC?

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