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INTRODUCTION AU CALCUL QUANTIQUE

INTRODUCTION TO QUANTUM COMPUTATION

Sixième Leçon / *Sixth Lecture*

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CONTENT OF THIS YEAR'S LECTURES

QUANTUM COMPUTATION FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF MESOSCOPIC CIRCUITS

1. Introduction, c-bits versus q-bits
2. The Pauli matrices and quantum computation primitives
3. Stabilizer formalism for state representation
4. Clifford calculus
5. Algorithms
6. Quantum error correction

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CALENDAR OF SEMINARS

May 11: Cristian Urbina, (Quantronics group, SPEC-CEA Saclay)
Josephson effect in atomic contacts and carbon nanotubes

May 18: Benoît Douçot (LPTHE / Université Pierre et Marie Curie)
Towards the physical realization of topologically protected qubits

June 1: Takis Kontos (LPA / Ecole Normale Supérieure)
Points quantiques et ferromagnétisme

June 8: Cristiano Ciuti (MPQ, Université Paris - Diderot)
Ultrastrong coupling circuit QED : vacuum degeneracy and quantum phase transitions

June 15: Leo DiCarlo (Yale)
Preparation and measurement of tri-partite entanglement in a superconducting quantum circuit

June 22: Vladimir Manucharian (Yale)
The fluxonium circuit: an electrical dual of the Cooper-pair box?

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LECTURE IV : ERROR CORRECTION

Maintaining by an active feedback process,
not simply a single state, but a manifold of quantum states.

1. Classical error correction
2. A simplified example: 3-qubit code
3. Error processes
4. The 7-qubit code

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BASICS OF CLASSICAL ERROR-CORRECTION

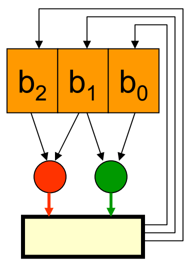
Redundancy: 0, 1 *replaced by:* 0 0 0, 1 1 1 — "repetition code"

Possible 1-bit errors:

1 0 0	0 1 0	0 0 1
0 1 1	1 0 1	1 1 0

Probability: ε per unit time (2-bit errors: ε^2)

Feedback information on parity of first 2 bits and last 2 bits:



$$\begin{cases} e = b_2 \oplus b_1 \\ f = b_1 \oplus b_0 \end{cases}$$

e \ f	0	1
0	do nothing	$b_0 \to b_0 \oplus 1$
1	$b_2 \to b_2 \oplus 1$	$b_1 \to b_1 \oplus 1$

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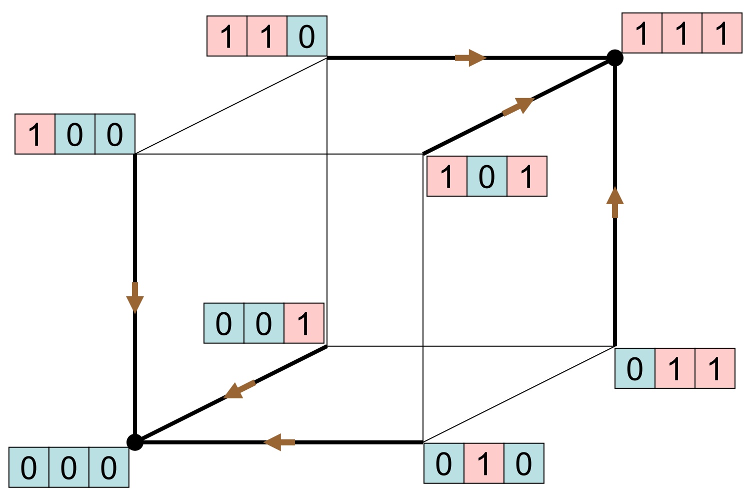
PRINCIPLE OF CLASSICAL ERROR-CORRECTION



1 error is not lethal, system is kept within basin of attraction of protected state

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GENERAL PARITY ERROR BIT

$N{+}1$ bits $\vec{x} = \left(x_N, x_{N-1}, \ldots., x_2, x_1, x_0\right) \in \mathbb{B}^{N+1}$

constraint: $$e = \sum_{i=0}^{N} \oplus x_i$$ ← Boolean sum, N free bits

↑ parity error bit, normal state is $e = 0$

If 1 or an odd number of errors occur, constraint is violated, as shown by $e = 0 \rightarrow e = 1$.
It is possible to detect that an error has occurred, but it is impossible to correct it, if nothing is added.

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ERROR CORRECTION REQUIRES EXTRA BITS

Increase number of independent constraints on the bits until:

$$2^{\text{number of error bits}} \geq \text{number of code bits} + 1$$

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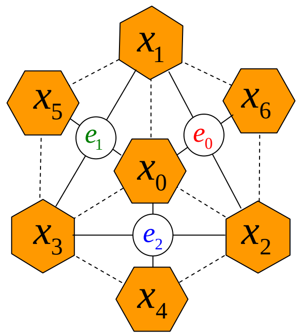
HAMMING ERROR CORRECTING CODES



Example: 7 bits protected with 3 error bits, coding for 4 free bits ($2^3=7+1$)

Constraints:

$$x_0 \oplus x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus x_6 = e_0 = 0$$
$$x_0 \oplus x_1 \oplus x_3 \oplus x_5 = e_1 = 0$$
$$x_0 \oplus x_2 \oplus x_3 \oplus x_4 = e_2 = 0$$

can be written as: $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{e} = \vec{0}$

where: (i ←, j ↓)

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

After one error:

$$\mathbf{A}\vec{x}' = \vec{e} \neq \vec{0}$$

The error syndrome matrix $\mathbf{A}$ is used to detect which error has occurred **and** to correct it.

$$x_i \rightarrow x_i \oplus \prod_{j=0}^{2} \left(e_j \oplus \bar{A}_{ji} \right)$$

Requires seven 3-way AND + linear gates

CORRECTING QUBIT ERRORS?!

- Necessary, no internal stabilizing dynamics as in c-bits.
- Cannot check errors directly: measurement destroys state.
- Qubit errors, unlike c-bit errors, occur continuously.
- Bit flips are not the only errors. Must correct phase flips.

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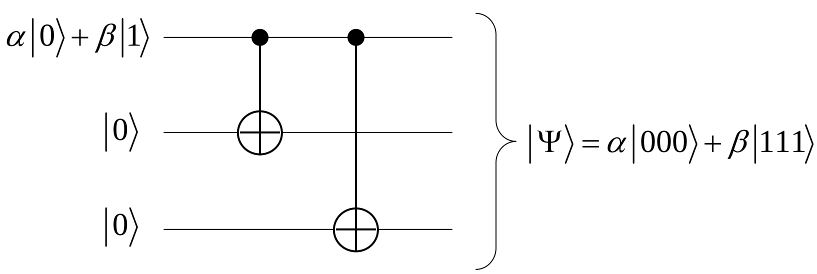

$$\begin{Bmatrix} +IZI \\ +IIZ \end{Bmatrix} \qquad \begin{Bmatrix} +ZZI \\ +ZIZ \end{Bmatrix}$$

↑ stabilizer of qubit manifold

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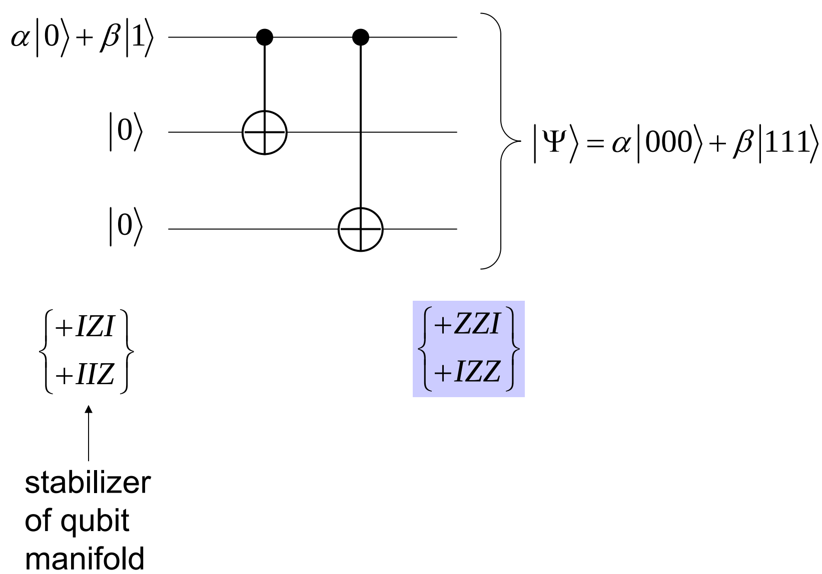
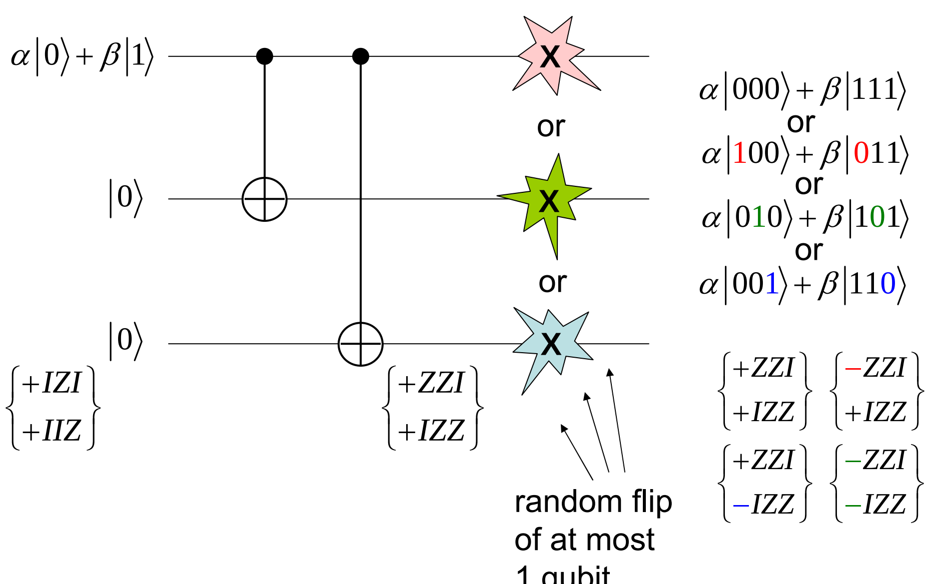
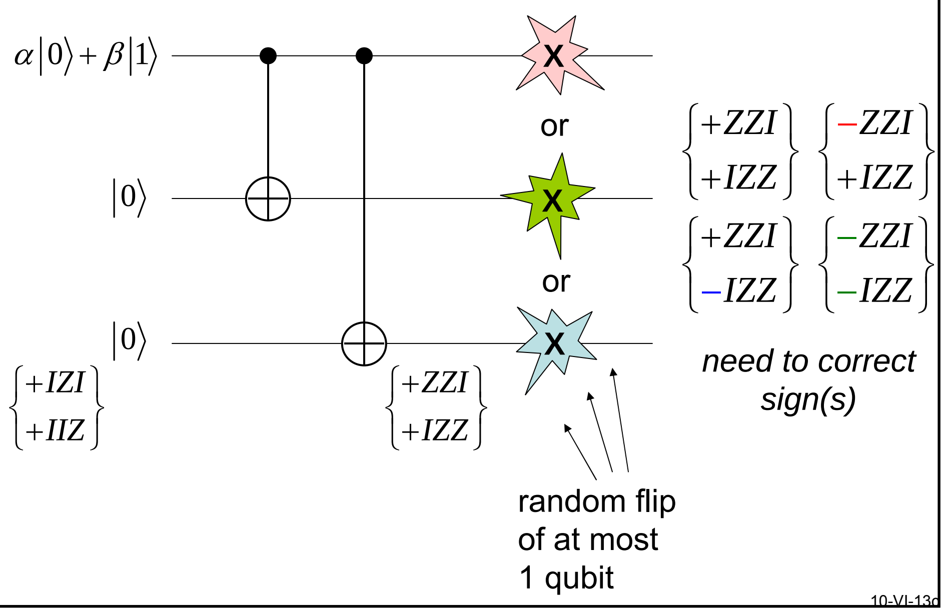


BIT FLIP ERRORS



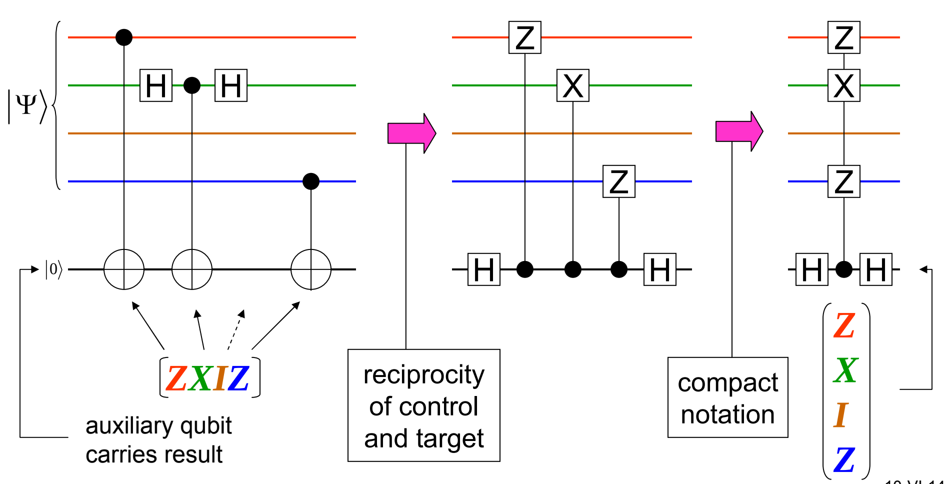
BIT FLIP ERRORS

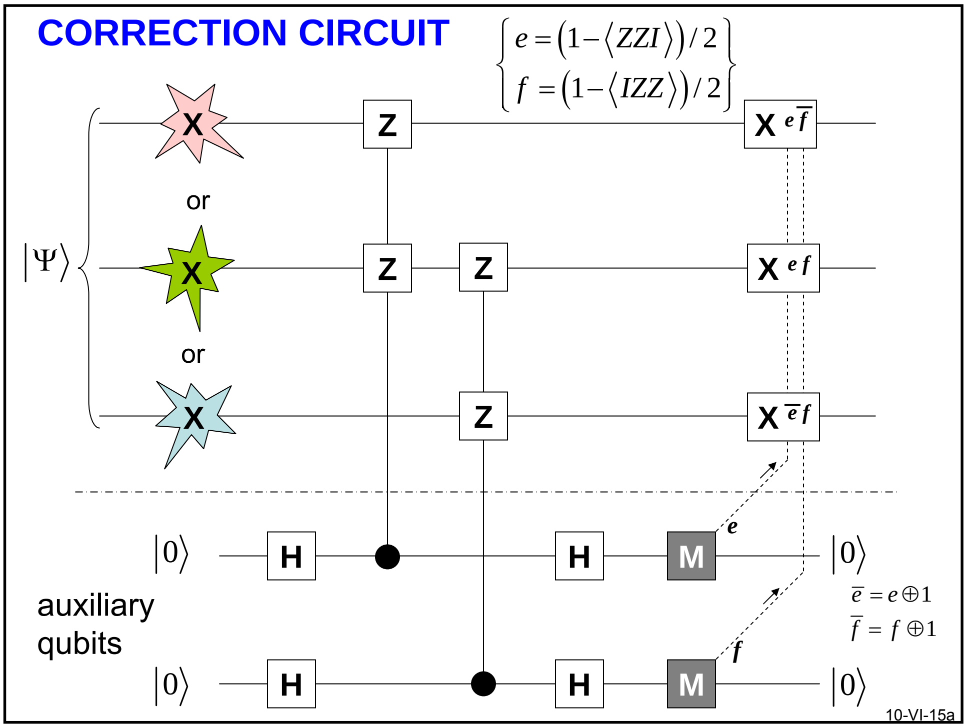


JOINT MEASUREMENTS

How do we measure joint qubit operators such as ZZI ?

Let us take a more representative case, for instance $ZXIZ$:




CORRECTION CIRCUIT
$e = (1 - \langle ZZI \rangle)/2$
$f = (1 - \langle IZZ \rangle)/2$
$|\Psi\rangle$
X
or
X
or
X
Z
Z
Z
Z
$X^{e\bar{f}}$
X^{ef}
$X^{\bar{e}f}$
$|0\rangle$
H
H
M
e
$|0\rangle$
auxiliary
qubits
$|0\rangle$
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f
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$\bar{e} = e \oplus 1$
$\bar{f} = f \oplus 1$
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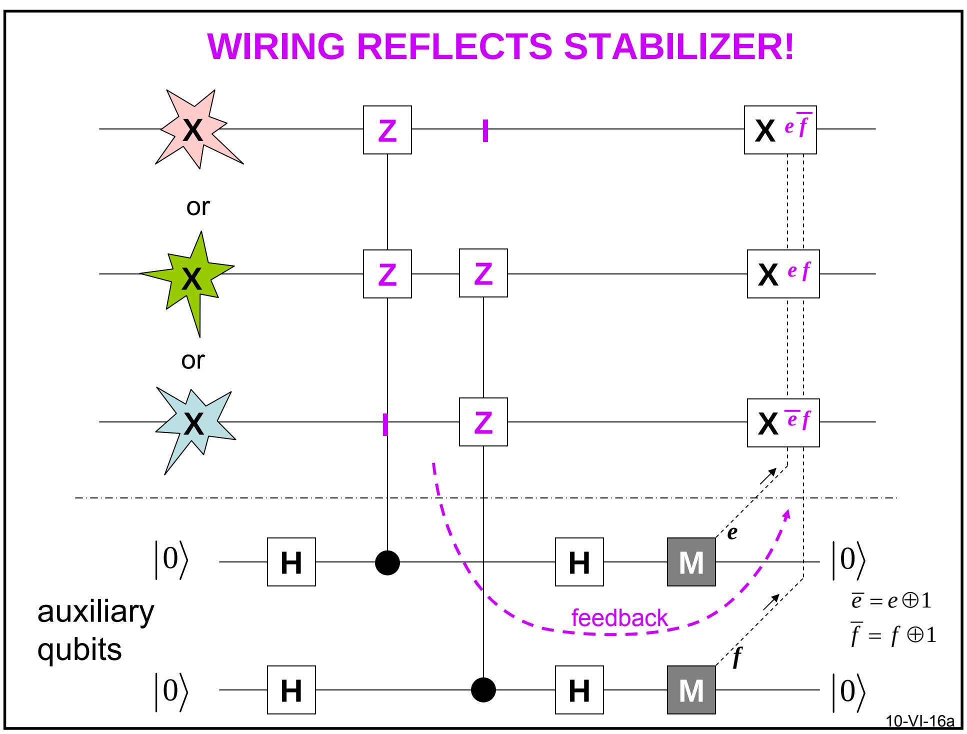
WIRING REFLECTS STABILIZER!
X
or
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$X^{e\bar{f}}$
X^{ef}
$X^{\bar{e}f}$
$|0\rangle$
H
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M
e
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feedback
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$\bar{e} = e \oplus 1$
$\bar{f} = f \oplus 1$
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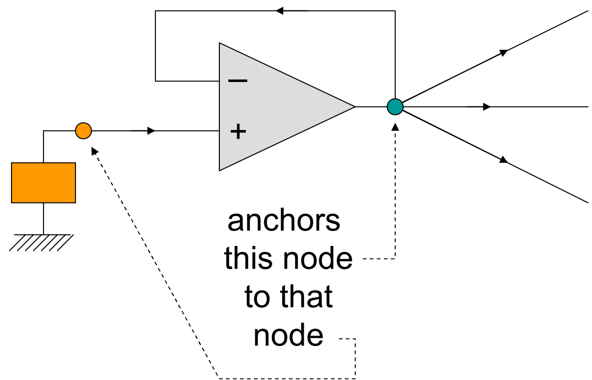
QUBIT CORRECTION CIRCUIT WORKS LIKE ORDINARY FEEDBACK



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POINTS FOR DISCUSSION

1) Correction protocol is discrete but error process is continuous.
How are "partial errors" dealt with?

2) Feedback goes through external circuitry.
Can feedback be purely internal to the system?

3) Error correction removes entropy from qubit.
Where is the entropy going?

4) Quantum error correction : feedback to a manifold, not a state.
What symmetry allows this manifold-preserving attractive dynamics?

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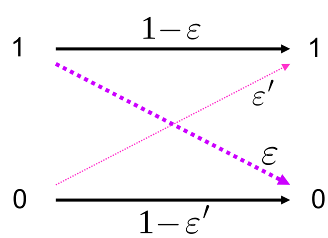
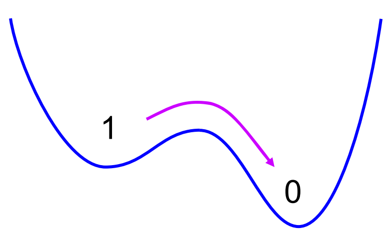
EVEN CLASSICALLY, THERE IS MORE TO ERRORS THAN JUST RANDOM BIT FLIPS



The two error transitions might not have the same probability



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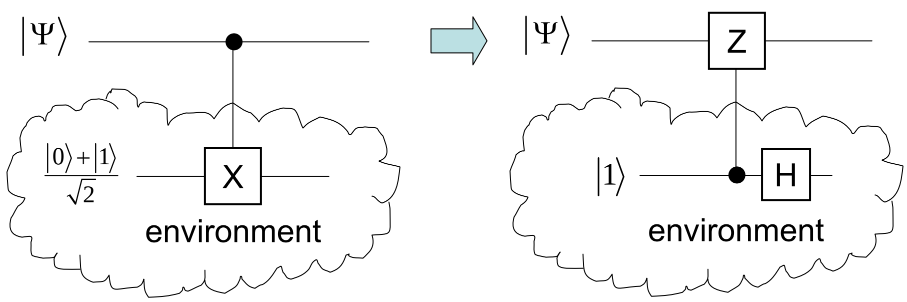
QUANTUM-MECHANICALLY, ERRORS CAN BE BIT FLIPS, PHASE FLIPS AND BIT-PHASE FLIPS.



Example of phase flip, leading to dephasing

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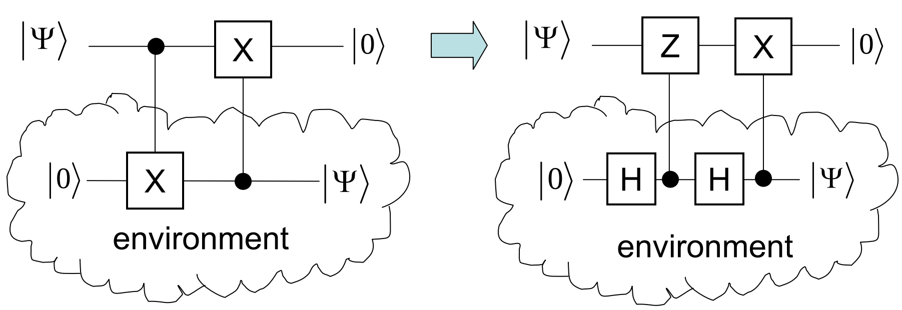
QUANTUM-MECHANICALLY, ERRORS CAN BE BIT FLIPS, PHASE FLIPS AND BIT-PHASE FLIPS (2)



Relaxation can be seen as a combination of phase and bit flips performed by a "cold" environment

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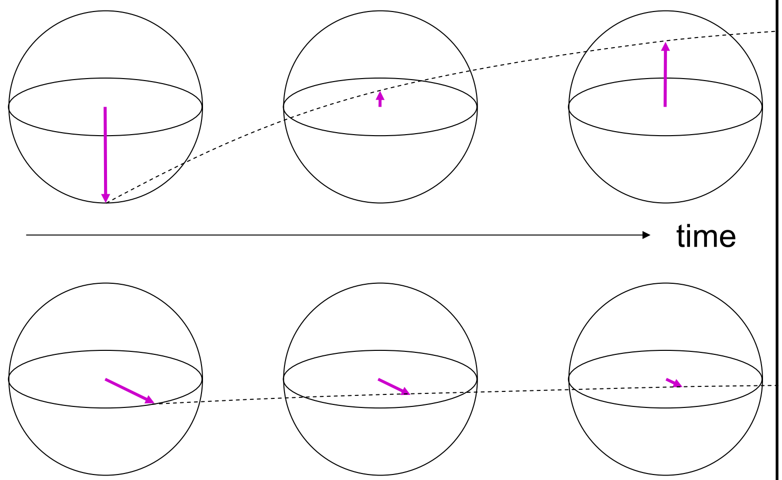
LOSSES OF QUANTUM MEMORY

T_1 PROCESS

random fields in X,Y plane uniformly distributed



T_ϕ PROCESS

random field along Z

$$T_2 = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2T_1} + \frac{1}{T_\phi}}$$ DECOHERENCE TIME

$\omega_{01} T_2$: DECOHERENCE QUALITY FACTOR

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JUST BY CORRECTING BIT FLIPS, PHASE FLIPS AND THE COMBINATION OF THESE TWO FLIPS, ANY TYPE OF ERROR CAN BE CORRECTED!

Shor (1995), Steane (1996)

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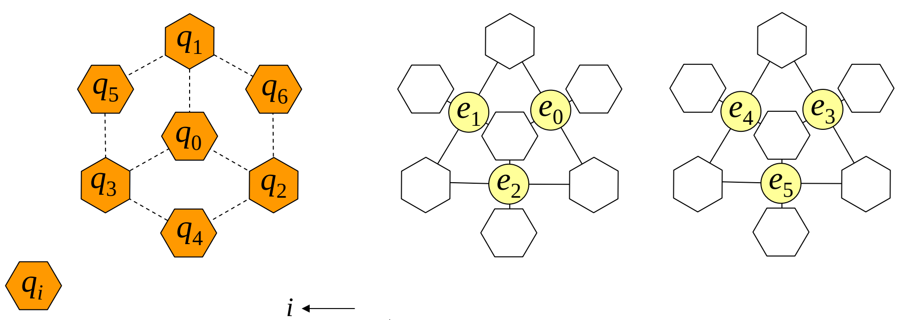
STABILIZER OF THE 7-QUBIT CODE

Steane (1996)



$i \leftarrow$, $j \downarrow$, e_j

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{matrix} +Z & I & I & I & Z & Z & Z \\ +I & Z & I & Z & I & Z & Z \\ +I & I & Z & Z & Z & I & Z \\ \hline +X & I & I & I & X & X & X \\ +I & X & I & X & I & X & X \\ +I & I & X & X & X & I & X \end{matrix} \right\}$$

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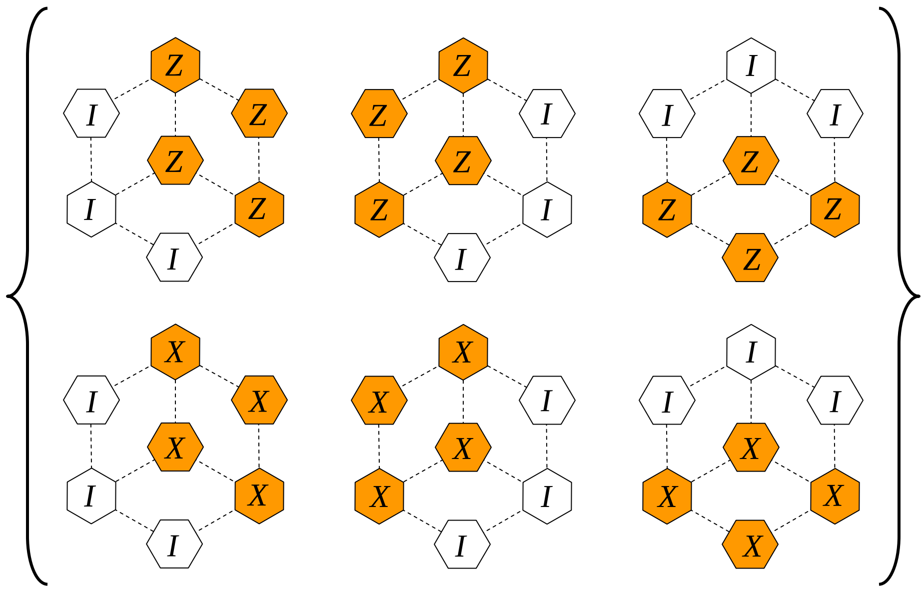
OTHER REPRESENTATION OF STEANE STABILIZER



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NEXT SLIDE SHOWS THE TWO WAVEFUNCTIONS OF STEANE CODE

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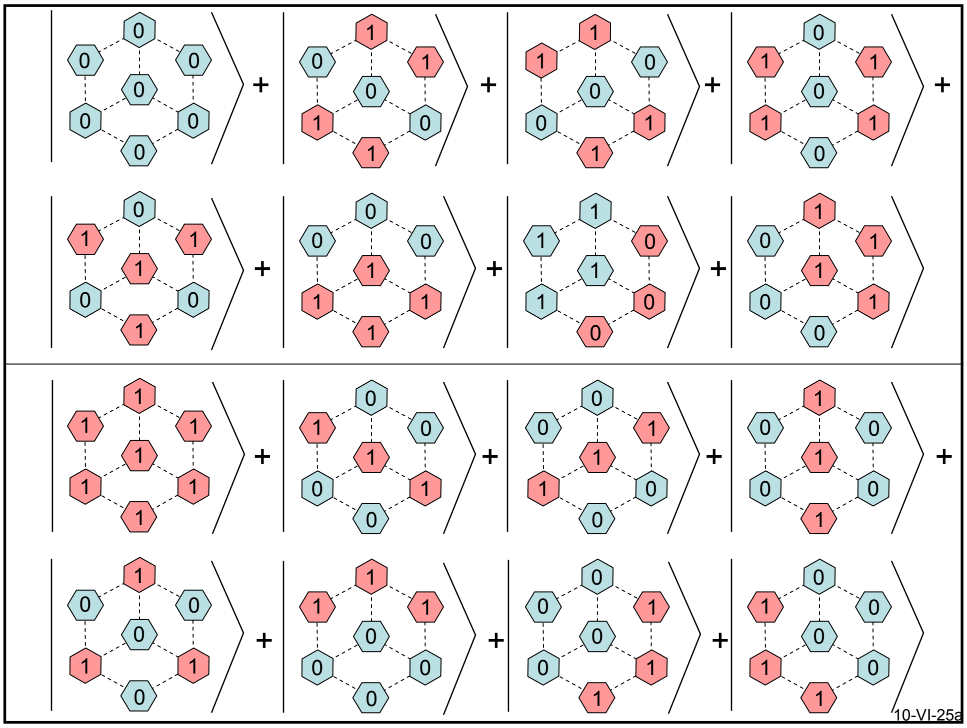
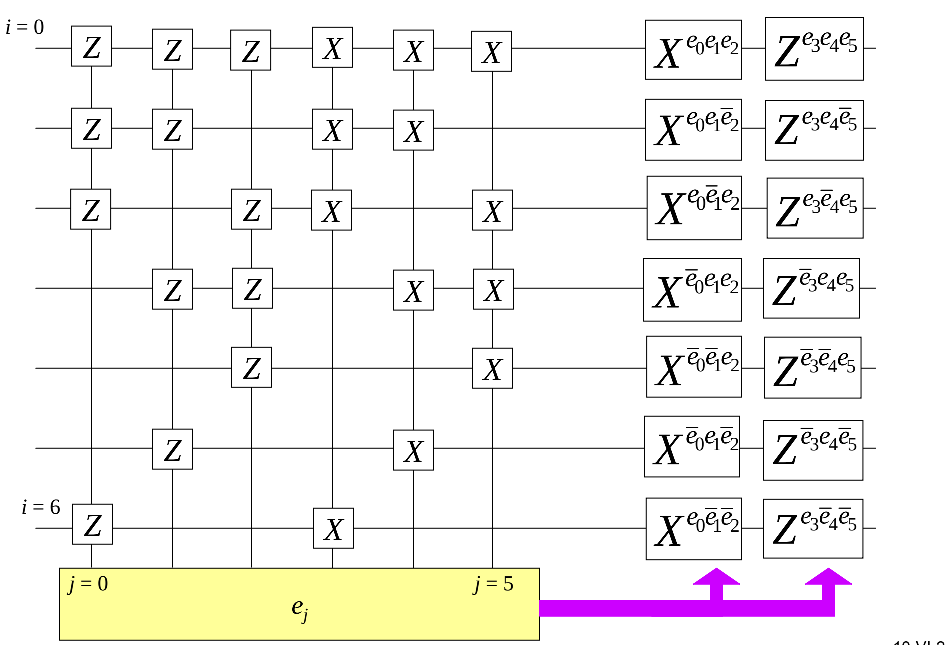


ERROR CORRECTION CIRCUIT



WHY DOES IT WORK?

Steane's 7-qubit code:
6 generators in stabilizer (7 physical qubits – 1 logical qubit)
2^6 =64 error syndromes > 7 qubits x (3 errors/qubit) + 1 = 22

Gottesman's 5-qubit code:
4 generators in stabilizer (5 physical qubits – 1 logical qubit)
2^4 =16 error syndromes = 5 qubits x (3 errors/qubit) + 1 = 16

minimal but impractical

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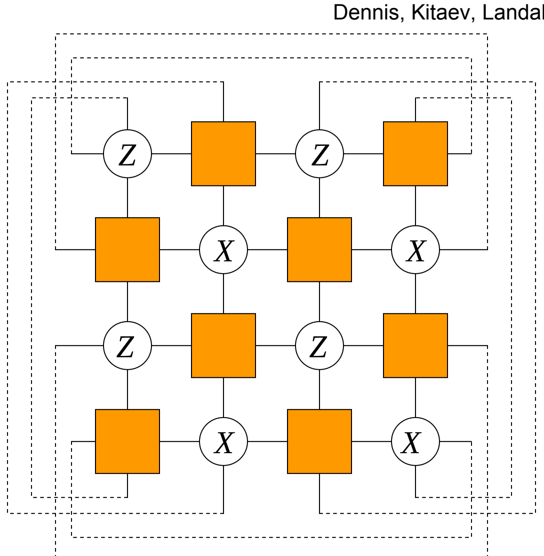
TORIC CODE

Dennis, Kitaev, Landahl and Preskill (2001)



see B. Douçot's seminar this year

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ERRORS CAN ALSO BE CORRECTED BY CONTINUOUS MONITORING AND FEEDBACK

Ahn, Doherty & Landahl, Phys. Rev. A65, 042301 (2002)

NEXT YEAR: AMPLIFICATION AND FEEDBACK
OF ENGINEERED QUANTUM SYSTEMS

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