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2.1 Small Set Flip

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$$\xi_{ij}(t) = P(x_t = i, x_{t+1} = j | y, v, w; \theta) = \frac{\alpha_i(t) a_{ij}^{w_t} \beta_j(t+1) b_j^{v_{t+1}}(y_{t+1})}{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_i(t) a_{ij}^{w_t} \beta_j(t+1) b_j^{v_{t+1}}(y_{t+1})} \quad (1)$$

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3 Algorithm: K-Top Probabilistic Flip Method (K-Top PFM)

Algorithm 1: sort-top-K(T)

Data: A vector $T \in \mathbb{Z}_2^N$

Result: A set S of the top K indices in T

- 1 $S \leftarrow$ indices of a descending radix sort of T 's rows;
 - 2 **return** A set of the top K indices in S ;
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Algorithm 2: probabilistic-set-flip(E)

Data: A syndrome $\sigma_0 \in \mathbb{F}_2^M$

Result: Deduced error \hat{E} if the algorithm converges and \perp otherwise

- 1 $\hat{E} \leftarrow 0^N$;
 - 2 $\sigma \leftarrow \sigma_0$;
 - 3 **while** $\exists F \in \mathcal{F} : |\sigma| - |\sigma \oplus \sigma_X(\mathbf{k})| > 0$ **do**
 - 4 $T \leftarrow H_Z H_X^T \sigma$;
 - 5 $\text{generators} \leftarrow \text{sort-top-K}(T)$;
 - 6 $\text{to-check} \leftarrow \bigcup_{i \in \text{generators}} \mathcal{P}(C_{Z_i})$;
 - 7 $\mathbf{k} \leftarrow \arg \max_{\mathbf{k} \in \text{to-check}} \frac{|\sigma| - |\sigma \oplus \sigma_X(\mathbf{k})|}{|\mathbf{k}|}$;
 - 8 $\hat{E} \leftarrow \hat{E} \oplus \mathbf{k}$;
 - 9 $\sigma \leftarrow \sigma \oplus \sigma_X(\mathbf{k})$;
 - 10 **end**
 - 11 **return** \hat{E} if $|\sigma| = 0$, \perp otherwise.
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3.1 A Moral Reason/ Intuition

The algorithm is essentially the same as Small Set Bit Flip [TODO: CITE] with a minor difference, only a constant number of generators are checked. The idea here is that given a syndrome σ and a parity check matrix, H_X , the i th row of $H_X^T \sigma$ equals the number of error-ed checks that a qubit touches. Then, the k th row of $H_Z H_X^T \sigma$ is roughly correlated

to the number of error-ed checks that the qubits in the k th generator touch. This rough correlation comes from the fact that we are working with expander codes. So then, if you get the generators touching the most error-ed stabilizers, it would stand to reason that flipping some subset of qubits from a “highly error-ed generator” would result in decreasing the syndrome.

4 PFM Analysis

The following section assumes that we are working with syndrome σ_X , a generator matrix H_Z , and parity check matrix H_X . The analysis is the same for a syndrome, σ_Z , generator matrix H_X , and parity check matrix H_Z .

Notation

Given a vector v , define v_i to be the value of the i th row of v .

Definitions

Let $\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}$ equal to the degree of a stabilizer vertex. Note that due to the hypergraph’s construction, all stabilizers have the same constant degree. Let Δ_{bit} equal to the degree of a qubit vertex. As with the stabilizers, all qubits have the same constant degree. Also, for generator k , let \aleph be the set of stabilizers neighboring the generator. Note that $|\aleph| \leq \Delta_{\text{stabilizer}} \Delta_{\text{bit}}$.

Given a syndrome, σ_X , define a “bit-score vector”, $\mathbf{b} = H_X^T \sigma_X$ where $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^N$. Then, define a “generator-score vector” as $\mathbf{g} = H_Z \mathbf{b}$ where $\mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{Z}^M$. Moreover, assume that for error $e \in \mathbb{F}_2^N$, $\Pr[e_i = 1] = p$ for all $i \in [N]$ (i.e. the error is modeled as independent). Let $q = 1 - p$. Let s_1, s_2, \dots, s_M denote the set of stabilizer vertices. Let $N_i = \sum_{j \in \Gamma(s_i)} e_j$ where $N_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. N_i can be thought of as the number of qubits with an error in the neighborhood of stabilizer i .

Also, let random variable $S_i \in \mathbb{F}_2$ correspond to σ_{X_i} . Then we know that

$$\Pr[S_i = 1] = \Pr[N_i \text{ is odd}] = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(1 - 2p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}}.$$

Next, define indicator random variable, L_j to be 1 if $\sigma_{X_i} = 0$ and $N_i > 0$. Basically, L_j indicates whether a stabilizer check succeeds, but an error is in its neighborhood. I.e. stabilizer j is “lying.”

So then,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[L_j = 1] &= \Pr[\sigma_{X_i} = 0 \mid S_i > 0] \\ &= \Pr[S_i \text{ is even}] - \Pr[S_i = 0] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - 2p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}} - (1 - p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Then define random variable, E_k to be

$$E_k = \sum_{\text{Stabilizer } j \in \aleph_k} L_j.$$

E_k is basically the number of time a generator k , lies for all stabilizers neighboring the generator.

We can then say that

$$E_k \sim \text{Binom}(\aleph_k, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - 2p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}} - (1 - p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}}).$$

Then, let random variable $B_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ correspond to \mathbf{b}_i and random variable $G'_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ correspond to \mathbf{g}_i .

So,

$$S_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(1 - 2p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}}\right).$$

Then,

$$B_i = \sum_{\text{Stabilizer } j \in \Gamma(\text{Bit } i)} S_j$$

So,

$$B_i \sim \text{Binom}(\Delta_{\text{bit}}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(1-2p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}}).$$

And then,

$$G'_k = \sum_{\text{Bit } i \in \Gamma(\text{generator } k)} \sum_{\text{Stabilizer } j \in \Gamma(\text{Bit } i)} S_j$$

So then,

$$G'_k \sim \text{Binom}(\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(1-2p)^{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}}).$$

The pfm algorithm (Algorithm 2) on line 5 gets the K generators, indexed by g_1, g_2, \dots, g_K , with the top values of g_i for $i \in [M]$. WLOG, assume $g_{g_1} \geq g_{g_2} \geq \dots \geq g_{g_K}$. Then, we can think of $\mathbf{E}[G'_{g_i}]$ as the expected value of the i th top sample from M samples of the distribution defining G'_i .

Let random variable G_k then equal

$$G_k = \sum_{\text{Stabilizer } j \in \mathbb{N}_k} S_j.$$

Note that $|\mathbb{N}| \geq (1-\delta)\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}\Delta_{\text{bit}}$ because we are working with expander codes. So then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[G_k] &= \sum_{\text{Stabilizer } j \in \mathbb{N}_k} \mathbf{E}[S_j] \\ &\geq (1-\delta)\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}\Delta_{\text{bit}} \mathbf{E}_{j \in [M]}[S_j] \\ &\geq (1-\delta) \mathbf{E}[G'_k]. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.1. *For a generator, given E_k and G , we can find some correction vector $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{F}_2^N$ such that $|\sigma| - |\sigma \oplus \sigma_X(\mathbf{k})| \geq G_k - E_k$ and $|\mathbf{k}| \leq \frac{1-\delta}{\Delta_{\text{bit}}}(G_k + E_k)$ for $G > E_k$.*

Proof. TODO: part 1 is that there are 3 types of stabilizers in neighbourhood. Those from G' , those from E , and those in neither. If those in neither, there is no neighbourhood in their error, so you can leave those bits alone. Then, by flipping bits connected to G' you decrease syndrome by G' , but you add in at most E'

part 2: each flipping bit effects at least $(1-\delta)\Delta_{\text{bit}}$ stabilizers □

So then for any e where $|e| < \min(\gamma_A n_A, \gamma_B n_B)$ by TODO: cite hypergraph prod paper, we know that we can always successfully correct errors if we can find a \mathbf{k} such that \mathbf{k} is a subset of a generator and

$$\frac{|\sigma| - |\sigma \oplus \sigma_X(\mathbf{k})|}{|\mathbf{k}|} \geq \frac{1}{3}.$$

Lemma 4.2. *We claim the following holds for an $i \in [K]$ and for $p_S = \Pr[S_j = 1]$ for any stabilizer j*

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr\left[\frac{\Delta_{\text{bit}}(Gg_i - E_{g_i})}{(1-\delta)(Gg_i + E_{g_k})} < \frac{1}{3}\right] \\ &\leq \sum_{e=0}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}-1} \text{orderprob}\left(\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}} - \Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}e, p_S, i, \frac{(3\Delta_{\text{bit}} + 1 - \delta)e}{3\Delta_{\text{bit}} - 1 + \delta}\right) \cdot \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] + \sum_{e=\Delta_{\text{bit}}}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}} \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\text{orderprob}(n, p, i, v) = \Pr[W_i \leq v]$$

and W_i is the i th largest order statistic from M samples of $\text{Binomial}(n, p)$.

See appendix TODO: cite for details

So then,

$$\Pr[\text{loop cannot find a correcting error}] \leq \prod_{i \in [K]} \Pr\left[\frac{\Delta_{\text{bit}}(Gg_i - E_{g_i})}{(1-\delta)(Gg_i + E_{g_k})} < \frac{1}{3}\right]$$

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5 PFM Numerical Simulations

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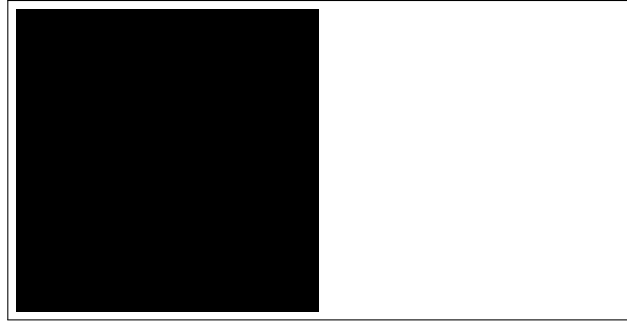


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10 Conclusion

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A Proof of Lemma 4.1

First, to just restate the lemma. We claim the following holds for an $i \in [K]$ and for $p_S = \Pr[S_j = 1]$ for any stabilizer j

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr \left[\frac{\Delta_{\text{bit}}(G_{g_i} - E_{g_i})}{(1-\delta)(G_{g_i} + E_{g_k})} < \frac{1}{3} \right] \\ & \leq \sum_{e=0}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}-1} \text{orderprob} \left(\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}} - \Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}e, p_S, i, \frac{(3\Delta_{\text{bit}} + 1 - \delta)e}{3\Delta_{\text{bit}} - 1 + \delta} \right) \cdot \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] + \sum_{e=\Delta_{\text{bit}}}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}} \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\text{orderprob}(n, p, i, v) = \Pr[v < (1-\delta)W_i]$$

and W_i is the i th largest order statistic from M samples of $\text{Binomial}(n, p)$.

First, because $0 \leq E_{g_i} \leq \Gamma(\text{generator } i) \leq \Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr \left[\frac{\Delta_{\text{bit}}(G_{g_i} - E_{g_i})}{(1-\delta)(G_{g_i} + E_{g_k})} < \frac{1}{3} \right] &= \sum_{e=0}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}} \Pr \left[\frac{\Delta_{\text{bit}}(G_{g_i} - e)}{(1-\delta)(G_{g_i} + e)} < \frac{1}{3} \right] \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] \\ &\leq \sum_{e=0}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}-1} \Pr \left[\frac{\Delta_{\text{bit}}(G_{g_i} - e)}{(1-\delta)(G_{g_i} + e)} < \frac{1}{3} \right] \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] + \sum_{e=\Delta_{\text{bit}}}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}} 1 \cdot \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] \\ &= \sum_{e=0}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}-1} \Pr \left[G_{g_i} < \frac{(3\Delta_{\text{bit}} + 1 - \delta)e}{3\Delta_{\text{bit}} - 1 + \delta} \right] \Pr[E_{g_i} = e] + \sum_{e=\Delta_{\text{bit}}}^{\Delta_{\text{bit}}\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}} 1 \cdot \Pr[E_{g_i} = e]. \end{aligned}$$

So then, for a given e , we just need to find an upper bound for

$$\Pr \left[G_{g_i} < \frac{(3\Delta_{\text{bit}} + 1 - \delta)e}{3\Delta_{\text{bit}} - 1 + \delta} \right].$$

We can then use Chebyshev inequality to get an upper bound of

$$\min \left(\frac{\text{Var}[G_{g_i} \mid E_{g_i} = e]}{[\mathbf{E}[G_{g_i} \mid E_{g_i} = e] - \frac{1}{3}]^2}, 1 \right)$$

if $\mathbf{E}[G_{g_i}] > \frac{1}{3}$ and an upper bound of 1 otherwise.

Then, we need to related G_{g_i} to G'_{g_i} as our algorithm only know G'_{g_i} .

Lemma A.1. $\mathbf{E}[G_{g_i} \mid E_{g_i} = e] \geq \mathbf{E}[G'_{g_i} \mid E_{g_i} = e] \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}}-1}{N} \right)$

Proof. Fix $E_{g_i} = e$. Then, let $\alpha = G'_{g_i}$ and $\aleph = \{j \in [M] : S = 1\}$. Note that $G_{g_i} = |\aleph|$ by definition of G_{g_i} . We then know that $\alpha \geq |\aleph|$ because α counts each stabilizer in $s \in \Gamma(\text{generator } i)$ where $S_s = 1$ at least once. For $s \in \aleph$, let

$$O_s = |\{k : k \in \text{generator } i \wedge s \in \Gamma(\text{bit } k)\}| - 1.$$

In other words, O_s is the number of times a stabilizer in the neighborhood of a generator is “over-counted” in α . Then, $|\aleph| = \alpha - \sum_{s \in \aleph} O_s$ because we are subtracting the total number of “over-counted” stabilizers. Then, note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}[O_s] &= \sum_{b \in \Gamma(s)} \Pr[b \in \text{generator } i] - 1 \\ &= 1 + \sum_{b \in \Gamma(s) \setminus t} \Pr[b \in \text{generator } i] - 1 \quad (\text{at least 1 } t \in \Gamma(s) \text{ must be in generator } i) \\ &= (\Delta_{\text{stabilizer}} - 1) \frac{1}{N} \end{aligned}$$

for some $s \in \mathbb{N}$ and $t \in \Gamma(s)$. So then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{E}[|\mathbb{N}|] &= \mathbf{E}[\alpha] - \sum_{s \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbf{E}[O_s] \\
 &\geq \mathbf{E}[\alpha] - \mathbf{E}[|\mathbb{N}|] \mathbf{E}_{s \in \mathbb{N}}[O_s] \\
 &\geq \mathbf{E}[\alpha] - \mathbf{E}[\alpha] \mathbf{E}_{s \in \mathbb{N}}[O_s] \\
 &\geq \mathbf{E}[\alpha] \left(1 - \frac{\Delta_{\text{stablizer}} - 1}{N}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

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Lemma A.2. $\mathbf{E}[G'_{g_i}] \geq \mathbf{E}[G''_{g_i} \mid E = e]$

Proof.

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Lemma A.3. $\mathbf{E}[G'_{g_i} \mid E = e] \geq \mathbf{E}[G''_{g_i}]$

Proof.

□

Lemma A.4. $\text{Var}[G'_{g_i}] \geq \text{Var}$

Proof.

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