

# From classical to quantum good LDPC codes.

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[Din+22], [PK21], [LZ22]

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# Introduction.

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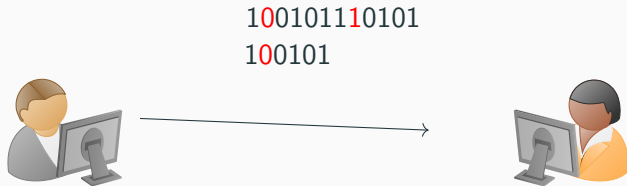
The work assumes only a basic knowledge of linear algebra and combinatorics. So we believe that every computer science graduate will be able to enjoy reading it, understand the subject very well, and use it as a gateway for starting research in the field.

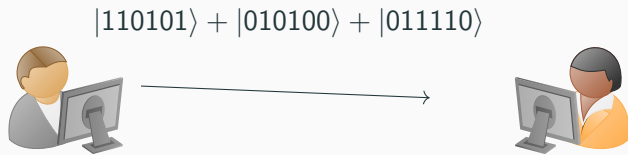












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Can we come up with a code that tolerates  $\ast$  bits flip?

## Definition

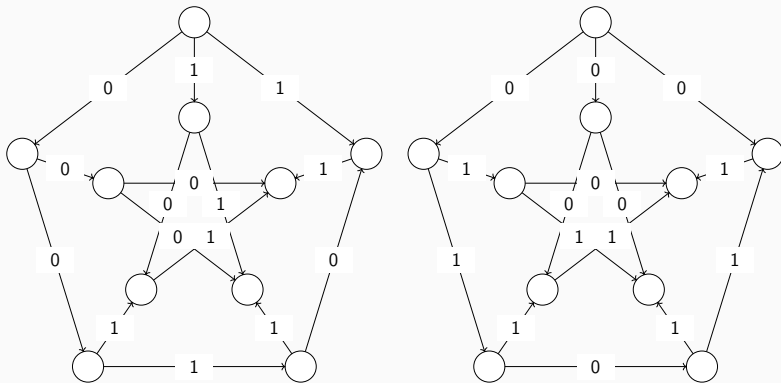
Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\rho, \delta \in (0, 1)$ . We say that  $C$  is a **binary linear code** with parameters  $[n, \rho n, \delta n]$ . If  $C$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{F}_2^n$ , and the dimension of  $C$  is at least  $\rho n$ . In addition, we call the vectors belong to  $C$  *codewords* and define the distance of  $C$  to be the minimal number of different bits between any codewords pair of  $C$ .

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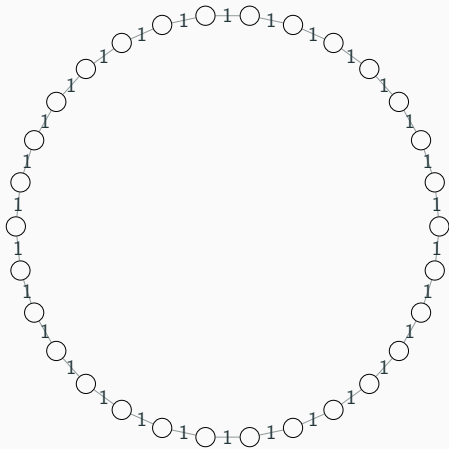
A **family of codes** is an infinite series of codes. Additionally, suppose the rates and relative distances converge into constant values  $\rho, \delta$ . In that case, we abuse the notation and call that family of codes a code with  $[n, \rho n, \delta n]$  for fixed  $\rho, \delta \in [0, 1)$ , and infinite integers  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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We will say that a family of codes is a **good code** if its parameters converge into positive values.







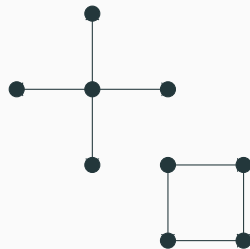
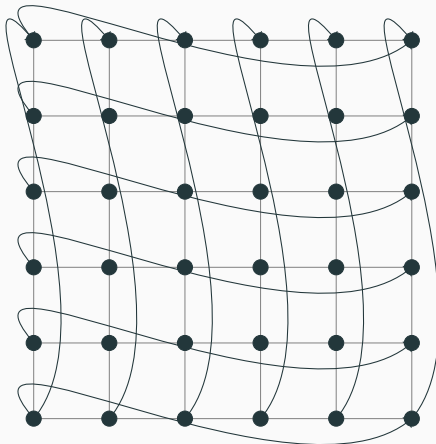


## Definition (CSS Code)

Let  $C_X, C_Z$  classical linear codes such that  $C_Z^\perp \subset C_X$  define the  $Q(C_X, C_Z)$  to be all the code words with following structure:

$$|x\rangle := |x + C_Z^\perp\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|C_Z^\perp|}} \sum_{z \in C_Z^\perp} |x + z\rangle$$

# Quantum Error Correction Codes.



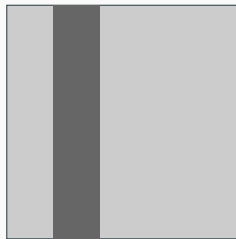
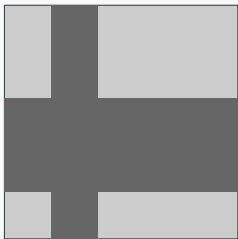
## Definition ( $w$ -Robustness)

Let  $C_A$  and  $C_B$  be codes of length  $\Delta$  with minimum distance  $\delta_0 \Delta$ .

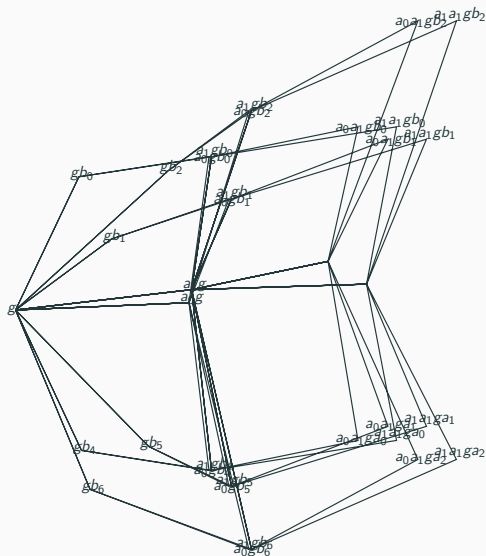
$C = (C_A^\perp \otimes C_B^\perp)^\perp$  will be said to be  $w$ -robust if for any codeword  $c \in C$  of weight less than  $w$ , it follows that  $c$  can be decomposed into a sum of  $c = t + s$  such that  $t \in C_A \otimes \mathbb{F}^B$  and  $s \in \mathbb{F}^A \otimes C_B$ , where  $s$  and  $t$  are each supported on at most  $\frac{w}{\delta_0 \Delta}$  rows and columns. For convenience, we will denote by  $B'$  ( $A'$ ) the rows (columns) supporting  $t$  ( $s$ ) and use the notation  $t \in C_A \otimes \mathbb{F}^{B'}$ .

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$$c \in \underbrace{(C_A^\perp \otimes C_B^\perp)} = \underbrace{t \in C_A \otimes \mathbb{F}^B} + \underbrace{s \in \mathbb{F}^A \otimes C_B}$$



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### Definition ( $p$ -Resistance to Puncturing.)

Let  $p, w$  be integers. We will say that the dual tensor code  $C_A \otimes \mathbb{F} + \mathbb{F} \otimes C_B$  is  $w$ -robust with  $p$ -resistance to puncturing, if the code obtained by removing (puncturing) a subset of at most  $p$  rows and columns is  $w$ -robust.



## Definition (Quantum Tanner Code.)

Let  $\Gamma$  be a group of size  $n$ . And let  $A, B$  be a two generator set of  $\Gamma$  such that if  $a \in A$  ( $B$ ) then also  $a^{-1} \in A$  ( $B^{-1}$ ) and that for any  $g \in \Gamma, a \in A, b \in B$  it holds that  $g \neq agb$ . Define the left-right Cayley complex to be the graph  $G = (\Gamma, E)$  obtained by taking the union of the two Cayley graphs generated by  $A$  and  $B$ . So the vertices pair  $u, v$  are set on a square diagonal only if there are  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$  such that  $u = avb$ . We can assume that  $G$  is a bipartite graph (otherwise just take  $\Gamma' = \Gamma \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  and define the product to be  $a(u, \pm) = (au, \mp)$ ).

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Now divide the graph into positive and negative vertices according to their coloring  $V_-$  and  $V_+$ . And define the positive graph to be  $G^+ = (V_+, E)$  and by  $G^- = (V_-, E)$  the negative graph, where  $E$  denotes the squares, put differently there is an edge between  $v$  and  $u$  in  $G^+$  if both vertices are positive and they are laid on the ends of a square's diagonal.

The quantum Tanner code is a CSS code, such that  $C_X$  is defined to be the classical Tanner code  $\mathcal{T}\left(G^+, (C_A^\perp \otimes C_B^\perp)^\perp\right)$  and  $C_Z$  is defined as  $\mathcal{T}\left(G^-, (C_A \otimes C_B)^\perp\right)$ . Note that in contrast to the classical Tanner code, in the quantum case it will be more convenient to think of codewords as assignments set on the squares and not on the edges.

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