# $\sqrt{n} \mapsto \Theta(n)$ Magic States 'Distillation' Using Quantum LDPC Codes.

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## 1 Notations and Definitions.

The notation used in this paper follows standard conventions for coding theory. We use $n$ to represent the length of the code, $k$ for the code's dimension, and $\rho$ for its rate. The minimum distance of the code will be denoted as $d$, and the relative distance, i.e., $d/n$, as $\delta$. In this paper, $n$ and $k$ will sometimes refer to the number of physical and logical bits. Codes will be denoted by a capital $C$ followed by either a subscript or superscript. When referring to multiple codes, we will use the above parameters as functions. For example, $\rho(C_1)$ represents the rate of the code $C_1$. Square brackets are used to present all these parameters compactly, and we use them as follows: $C = [n, k, d]$ to declare a code with the specified length, dimension, and distance. Any theorem, lemma, or claim that states a statement that is true in the asymptotic sense refers to a family of codes. The parity check matrix of the code will be denoted as $H$, with the rows of $H$ representing the parity check equations. The generator matrix of the code will be denoted as $G$, with the rows of $G$ representing the basis of codewords. The syndrome of a received word will be denoted as $s$, which is the result of multiplying $r$ by the transpose of $H$. We use $C^{\perp}$ to denote the dual code of $C$, which is defined such that any codeword of it $z \in C^{\perp}$ is orthogonal to any $x \in C$, meaning $z \cdot x = 0$, where the product is defined as $x \cdot z = \sum_i x_i z_i$. $C^{\top}$ stands for the code obtained by taking the parity check matrix of $C$ and transposing it.

In this paper, we define the triple product $\mathbb{F}_2^n \times \mathbb{F}_2^n \times \mathbb{F}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ as $|x \cdot y \cdot z| = \sum_i^n x_i y_i z_i$. Similarly, we define the binary product $|x \cdot y|$, noting that this product differs from the standard product by mapping into $\mathbb{Z}$ rather than $\mathbb{F}_2$. For $w \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$, we use the super operator $\cdot|_w$ to map an operator originally defined in an $n$-dimensional space to an operator that only acts on coordinates restricted to $w$. For example, $x|_w$ is the vector in $\mathbb{F}_2^{|w|}$ obtained by taking the values of $x$ on coordinates where $w$ is not zero. $|x \cdot y|_w = \sum_{i : w_i \neq 0} x_i y_i$ and $C|_w$ is the code obtained by taking the codewords of $C$ restricted to $w$.

**Definition 1.1.** *Let $C$, $\tilde{C}$ be linear binary codes at the same length, We will say that $\tilde{C}$ is a Triorthogonal in respect to $C$ if:*

1. $\tilde{C} \subset C$
2. $|x \cdot y \cdot z|$ *is even for* $x, y, z \in C$ *such that at least one of* $x, y, z$ *belongs to* $\tilde{C}$.
3. $|x \cdot y|$ *is even for* $x, y \in C$ *such that at least one of* $x, y$ *belongs to* $\tilde{C}$.

## 2 The Construction.

Let $x_0$ be a codeword of $C_X / C_Z^{\perp}$, Denote by $w \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ the binary string presents the $Z$-generator that anti commute with the $X$-generator corresponds to $x_0$. Let $\mathcal{X} = \{x_0, x_1, ..x_{k'}\} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ be a subset of a base for the code $C_X / C_Z^{\perp}$. Such ( span $\mathcal{X}/x_0$ )$|_w$ is Triorthogonal code in respect to $C_X|_w$. Let us denote by $\mathcal{X}'$ the base $\{y_1, y_2, .., y_{k'}\} \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ defined such: $y_i = x_j + x_0$.

Denote by $E$ the circuit that encodes the logical $ith$ bit to $y_i$, by $T^{(w)}$ the application of $T$ gates on the qubits for which both $w$ and $x_0$ act non trivial, means $T^{(w \cap x_0)}$ is a tensor product of $T$'s and identity where on the $i$th qubit $T^{(w)}$ apply $T$ if $w_i$ and $(x_0)_i$ are both 1 and identity otherwise. And finally by $D$ denote the gate that decode binary strings in $\mathbb{F}_2^n$ back into the logical space.

Let $|\mathcal{X}'\rangle \propto \sum_{x \in \text{span } \mathcal{X}'} |x\rangle$.

# 3 Proof of Theorem 1.

**Definition 3.1.** *Let $\Delta$ be a constant integer, $C_0, \tilde{C}_0$ codes over $\Delta$ bits such $\tilde{C}_0$ is Triorthogonal in respect to $C_0^{\perp}$, $C_0$ has parameters $\Delta[1, \delta_0, \rho_0]$, and $C_0^{\top}$ has relative distance greater than $\delta_0$. Let $C_{Tanner}$ be a Tanner code, defined by taking an expander graph with good expansion and $C_0$ as the small code. Let $C_{initial}$ be the dual-tensor code obtained by taking $(C_{Tanner}^{\perp} \otimes C_{Tanner}^{\perp})^{\perp}$. Notes that first this code has positive rate and $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$ distance, second this code is an LDPC code as well. Notice also that $C_{initial}^{\top}$ obtained by transporting the parity check matrix, and therefore equals to $(C_{Tanner}^{\top,\perp} \otimes C_{Tanner}^{\top,\perp})^{\perp}$. Hence $C_{initial}^{\top}$ has a square root distance as well.*

*Let $Q$ the CSS code, obtained by taking the Hyperproduct of $C_{initial}$ with itself. So $Q$ is an quantum qLDPC code with parameters $[n, \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{4}}), \Theta(n)]$.*

**Claim 3.1.** *There exists family of non-trivial distance quantum LDPC codes $Q$ such the codes span $\mathcal{X}'$ chosen respect to them has a positive rate. Furthermore, the rate of span $\mathcal{X}'$ is a asymptotically converges to $Q$ rate:*

$$|\rho\,(Q) - \rho\,(\textit{span } \mathcal{X}')| = o(1)$$

*Proof.* Pick $x_0$ and $w \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$ , which correspond to the supports of anti commute $X$ and $Z$ generators, such that $w$ can be obtains by setting a codeword of $C_{\text{Tanner}}$ on the first $n^{\frac{1}{4}}$ bits and padding by zeros the rest. Clearly, $|w| = \Theta(n^{\frac{1}{4}})$.

Now for defying span $\mathcal{X}$, we are going to consider the parity checks matrix obtained by adding restrictions to $C_X$'s restrictions as follows: Divide the first $w$ bits into $\Delta$-size buckets, define by $w(i)$ the $i$th coordinate on which $w$ isn't trivial. For example if $w(1) = j$ then $j$ is the first nonzero coordinate of $w$, Denote by $B_1, B_2, .., B_{|w|/\Delta}$ the partion of $w$'s bits:

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &= \{w(1), w(2), .., w(\Delta)\} \\ B_2 &= \{w(\Delta+1), w(\Delta+2), .., w(2\Delta)\} \\ B_i &= \{w((i-1)\Delta+1), w((i-1)\Delta+2), .., w(i\Delta)\} \end{aligned}$$

Then let span $\mathcal{X}$ be all the codewords of $C_X/C_Z^{\perp}$ satisfying $\tilde{C}_0$ restrictions for each bucket, Let us name the union of $\tilde{C}_0$ restrictions over the buckets by $B$. The dimension of the space satisfies both $C_X$ restrictions and $B$ is at least:

$$\rho(C_X) \cdot n - |B| \cdot (1 - \rho(\tilde{C}_0))\Delta \geq \rho(C_X) \cdot n - n^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

And by the fact that the dimension of $C_Z^{\perp}$'s codewords satisfying $B$ is strictly lower then $\dim C_Z^{\perp}$, we get the following lower bound:

$$\begin{aligned} \dim \text{span } \mathcal{X} &\geq \rho(C_X) \cdot n - n^{\frac{1}{4}} + \rho(C_Z) \cdot n - n \\ &\geq \rho(Q) - n^{\frac{1}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

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**Remark 3.1.** *We emphasise that the above proof can be easily adapted to result the following for general CSS codes:*

$$|\rho\,(Q) - \rho\,(\textit{span } \mathcal{X}')| = d(Q)(1 - \rho(\tilde{C}_0))$$

*For example lets consider the quantum Tanner code. Since the distance of the quantum Tanner codes is $\sim n/\Delta$, where $\Delta^2$ is the degree of the square complex graph, (obtained by taking a codeword for which each local view of it is supported only on rows correspond to a specific single left generator), we get that for any $\rho \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ one there is a good qLDPC such that the dimension of span $\mathcal{X}'$ obtained respecting to it $\geq (1-2\rho)^2 n - n/\Delta \cdot (1 - \rho(\tilde{C}_0))$.*

**Claim 3.2.** *There is a family of quantum circuits $\mathcal{C}$ consists of Clifford gates and at most $o(\sqrt{n})$ number of $T$ gates such that:*

$$T^{(w)} \left|\mathcal{X}' + C_Z^{\perp}\right\rangle \propto E\, \mathcal{C}\ (TH)^{\rho\left(\mathit{span}\ \mathcal{X}'\right)n} \left|0\right\rangle$$

*Proof.* Let $\tau \in \operatorname{span} \mathcal{X}' + C_Z^{\perp}$, applying $T^{(w)}$ on $|\tau\rangle$ add a phase of $i\frac{\pi}{4}\left|\tau\right|_w$. Notice that $\tau$ can decompose to the sum of $x_0 + y + z$ when $y \in$ span $\mathcal{X}$ and $z \in C_Z^{\perp}$, so

$$\begin{aligned}
|\tau|_w &= |x_0 + y_z|_w \\
&= |x_0|_w + |y|_w + |z|_w - 2|x \cdot y|_w - 2|x \cdot z|_w - 2|z \cdot y|_w + 4|x_0 \cdot y \cdot z|_w \\
&= |x_0 \cdot w| + |y|_w + |z|_w - 2|y|_w - 2|z|_w - 2|z \cdot y|_w + 4|y \cdot z|_w
\end{aligned}$$

Since we picked $\tilde{C}_0 \in C_0^{\perp}$ then $y \cdot z|_w = 0 \Rightarrow |y \cdot z|_w|$ is even. $\square$