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Golden Ratio Threshold for Fault-Tolerant Quantum Error Correction

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Abstract

A method and system for fault-tolerant quantum computation utilizing golden ratio-derived error thresholds and code parameters. The invention establishes that the fundamental error threshold for fault-tolerant quantum computation is $\varepsilon_\varphi = 1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$, where $\varphi = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$ is the golden ratio. Physical qubit error rates below this threshold enable scalable quantum error correction. The optimal minimum code distance is $d_{\min} = \lceil \varphi^2 \rceil = 3$, corresponding to the smallest distance correcting arbitrary single-qubit errors. The invention provides: (1) a principled error rate target of 38.2% for quantum hardware development; (2) golden ratio-based syndrome decoding weights; (3) φ -ladder concatenation schemes with error suppression factor $1/\varphi$ per level; (4) optimal resource allocation between error detection and correction. Applications include superconducting qubits, trapped ions, topological qubits, and fault-tolerant quantum algorithms.

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1 Field of the Invention

The present invention relates generally to quantum computing and quantum information processing, and more particularly to fault-tolerant quantum error correction methods utilizing golden ratio-derived thresholds and code parameters.

2 Background of the Invention

2.1 Technical Background

Quantum computers exploit quantum mechanical phenomena—superposition and entanglement—to perform computations exponentially faster than classical computers for certain problems. However, quantum states are fragile and susceptible to errors from:

- **Decoherence:** Loss of quantum information to the environment
- **Gate errors:** Imperfect implementation of quantum operations
- **Measurement errors:** Incorrect readout of qubit states
- **Crosstalk:** Unwanted interactions between qubits

Quantum error correction (QEC) encodes logical qubits into multiple physical qubits, enabling detection and correction of errors.

2.1.1 The Threshold Theorem

The threshold theorem states that if the physical error rate ε is below a critical threshold ε_c , then arbitrarily long quantum computations can be performed with arbitrarily small logical error rate by using sufficient encoding overhead.

Formally, for a concatenated code with L levels:

$$\varepsilon_{\text{logical}} \sim \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_c} \right)^{2^L} \quad (1)$$

The threshold ε_c depends on the error model and code family, with reported values ranging from 10^{-6} to 10^{-1} .

2.1.2 Code Distance

A quantum error-correcting code with distance d can:

- Detect up to $d - 1$ errors
- Correct up to $\lfloor (d - 1)/2 \rfloor$ errors

The minimum useful distance is $d = 3$, which corrects arbitrary single-qubit errors.

2.1.3 Stabilizer Codes

Stabilizer codes are defined by an Abelian subgroup \mathcal{S} of the Pauli group. An $[[n, k, d]]$ code encodes k logical qubits into n physical qubits with distance d . Key examples:

- **Steane code:** $[[7, 1, 3]]$
- **Shor code:** $[[9, 1, 3]]$
- **Surface code:** $[[d^2, 1, d]]$ (distance d)

2.2 Limitations of Prior Art

1. **Arbitrary Thresholds:** Reported thresholds vary widely (10^{-6} to 10^{-1}) with no unifying principle.
2. **Code Selection:** Choice of code distance and structure is often heuristic, balancing overhead against error suppression.
3. **Concatenation Depth:** Optimal concatenation levels are determined empirically without principled guidance.
4. **Resource Allocation:** Trade-offs between error detection, correction, and prevention lack theoretical grounding.

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3 Summary of the Invention

The present invention provides golden ratio-derived parameters for fault-tolerant quantum error correction, unifying threshold values and code design principles.

3.1 The Golden Ratio Error Threshold

The fundamental error threshold for fault-tolerant quantum computation is:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_\varphi = \frac{1}{\varphi^2} = 2 - \varphi \approx 0.3820} \quad (2)$$

where $\varphi = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2 \approx 1.618$ is the golden ratio.

Interpretation: Physical qubit error rates must satisfy $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_\varphi \approx 38.2\%$ for fault-tolerant computation to be possible in principle.

3.2 Minimum Code Distance

The optimal minimum code distance is:

$$\boxed{d_{\min} = \lceil \varphi^2 \rceil = 3} \quad (3)$$

Interpretation: Distance-3 codes represent the minimal structure capable of correcting arbitrary single-qubit errors, matching the golden ratio capacity bound.

3.3 Theoretical Foundation

The $1/\varphi^2$ threshold emerges from the Recognition Science framework:

1. **Self-Similar Error Structure:** At threshold ε_φ , the probability of successful error correction equals the probability of uncorrectable error multiplied by φ :

$$1 - \varepsilon_\varphi = \varphi \cdot \varepsilon_\varphi \implies \varepsilon_\varphi = \frac{1}{1 + \varphi} = \frac{1}{\varphi^2} \quad (4)$$

2. **Capacity Bound:** The $\varphi^2 \approx 2.618$ represents the minimum redundancy factor for coherent error correction.
3. **Fibonacci Error Hierarchy:** Error probabilities at successive concatenation levels follow the Fibonacci sequence structure.

3.4 φ -Ladder Concatenation

Concatenated codes following the golden ratio provide optimal error suppression:

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_L = \frac{\varepsilon_0}{\varphi^L}} \quad (5)$$

where L is the concatenation level.

3.5 Key Advantages

1. **Unified Threshold:** Single principled value replacing disparate empirical thresholds
2. **Hardware Target:** Clear 38.2% error rate goal for device development
3. **Optimal Codes:** Distance-3 identified as fundamental minimum
4. **Principled Concatenation:** φ -suppression per level
5. **Resource Optimization:** Golden ratio allocation between detection and correction

4 Brief Description of Drawings

FIG. 1 Graph showing logical error rate versus physical error rate with the golden ratio threshold $\varepsilon_\varphi = 1/\varphi^2$ marked.

FIG. 2 Diagram of a distance-3 stabilizer code structure.

FIG. 3 φ -ladder concatenation scheme showing error suppression at each level.

FIG. 4 Comparison of golden ratio threshold with empirical thresholds from various code families.

FIG. 5 Surface code layout with golden ratio-weighted syndrome decoding.

FIG. 6 Flowchart for fault-tolerant quantum computation using golden ratio parameters.

FIG. 7 Resource overhead versus target logical error rate for φ -concatenation.

FIG. 8 Block diagram of a quantum processor implementing golden ratio error correction.

5 Detailed Description

5.1 Mathematical Foundation

5.1.1 The Golden Ratio

The golden ratio is defined as:

$$\varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.6180339887 \quad (6)$$

Fundamental properties relevant to error correction:

$$\varphi^2 = \varphi + 1 \approx 2.618 \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{1}{\varphi} = \varphi - 1 \approx 0.618 \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{1}{\varphi^2} = 2 - \varphi \approx 0.382 \quad (9)$$

$$\varphi^n = F_n \varphi + F_{n-1} \quad (\text{Fibonacci relation}) \quad (10)$$

5.1.2 Derivation of the Golden Ratio Threshold

Theorem 5.1 (Golden Ratio Error Threshold). *The critical error threshold for fault-tolerant quantum computation satisfying self-similar error balance is $\varepsilon_\varphi = 1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$.*

Proof. Consider a quantum error correction cycle. Let:

- p_{success} = probability of successful error correction
- p_{fail} = probability of uncorrectable error

At the critical threshold, we require self-similar balance:

$$\frac{p_{\text{success}}}{p_{\text{fail}}} = \varphi \quad (11)$$

Since $p_{\text{success}} + p_{\text{fail}} = 1$:

$$p_{\text{success}} = \varphi \cdot p_{\text{fail}} \quad (12)$$

$$\varphi \cdot p_{\text{fail}} + p_{\text{fail}} = 1 \quad (13)$$

$$p_{\text{fail}} = \frac{1}{1 + \varphi} = \frac{1}{\varphi^2} \quad (14)$$

Thus the critical error rate is $\varepsilon_\varphi = 1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$. \square

5.1.3 Minimum Code Distance

Theorem 5.2 (Golden Ratio Code Distance). *The minimum code distance for golden ratio error correction is $d_{\min} = \lceil \varphi^2 \rceil = 3$.*

Proof. The minimum redundancy factor for coherent error correction is $\varphi^2 \approx 2.618$. The code distance must be an integer satisfying:

$$d \geq \varphi^2 \implies d_{\min} = \lceil \varphi^2 \rceil = \lceil 2.618 \rceil = 3 \quad (15)$$

This matches the minimum distance required to correct arbitrary single-qubit errors via the quantum Hamming bound. \square

5.1.4 Concatenation Analysis

For a concatenated code with base error rate $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_\varphi$:

Proposition 5.3 (φ -Suppression). *At concatenation level L , the effective error rate satisfies:*

$$\varepsilon_L \leq \varepsilon_\varphi \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\varepsilon_\varphi} \right)^{\varphi^L} \quad (16)$$

For ε near threshold, this simplifies to:

$$\varepsilon_L \approx \frac{\varepsilon}{\varphi^L} \quad (17)$$

The φ -ladder of error rates:

Level L	Suppression Factor	Error Rate (if $\varepsilon_0 = 0.3$)
0	1	0.300
1	φ	0.185
2	φ^2	0.115
3	φ^3	0.071
4	φ^4	0.044
5	φ^5	0.027

5.2 Error Correction Architecture

5.2.1 Golden Ratio Stabilizer Codes

A stabilizer code optimized for golden ratio error correction has parameters:

Definition 5.4 (Golden Ratio Code Family). A φ -code is an $[[n, k, d]]$ stabilizer code satisfying:

1. Distance $d \geq 3$ (minimum $\lceil \varphi^2 \rceil$)
2. Encoding rate $k/n \leq 1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$
3. Syndrome weight ratio $w_X : w_Z = 1 : \varphi$

5.2.2 Syndrome Decoding with Golden Weights

For a stabilizer code with X -type and Z -type stabilizers, assign syndrome weights:

$$w_X = 1 \tag{18}$$

$$w_Z = \varphi \approx 1.618 \tag{19}$$

The total syndrome cost is:

$$C_{\text{syndrome}} = \sum_i w_i \cdot s_i \tag{20}$$

where $s_i \in \{0, 1\}$ indicates whether stabilizer i is violated.

Decoding rule: Choose the error hypothesis minimizing:

$$\text{score}(E) = \text{weight}(E) + \frac{C_{\text{syndrome}}(E)}{\varphi} \tag{21}$$

5.2.3 Surface Code Implementation

For a distance- d surface code with d^2 data qubits:

1. **Threshold:** Physical error rate $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_\varphi \approx 0.382$

2. **Minimum Distance:** $d_{\min} = 3$ (9 data qubits)

3. **Distance Scaling:** For target logical error ε_L :

$$d \geq \frac{\ln(1/\varepsilon_L)}{\ln(\varphi)} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln(1/\varepsilon)} \quad (22)$$

4. **Golden Decoder:** Weight matching errors by $\varphi^{-\text{distance}}$

5.3 Implementation

5.3.1 Algorithm: Golden Ratio Syndrome Decoder

GOLDEN RATIO SYNDROME DECODER

INPUT: Syndrome s, stabilizer generators G, golden ratio phi
 OUTPUT: Most likely error E

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1. phi <- (1 + sqrt(5)) / 2
2. threshold <- 1 / phi^2 // ~0.382

3. FOR each candidate error E in error space:
4.   weight <- HammingWeight(E)
5.   syndrome_cost <- 0
6.   FOR each generator g in G:
7.     IF g is X-type:
8.       syndrome_cost += 1.0 * Commutes(E, g)
9.     ELSE IF g is Z-type:
10.      syndrome_cost += phi * Commutes(E, g)
11.    score[E] <- weight + syndrome_cost / phi

12. E_best <- argmin(score)
13. RETURN E_best
  
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5.3.2 Algorithm: φ -Ladder Concatenation

PHI-LADDER CONCATENATION

INPUT: Physical error rate eps_0, target logical error eps_target
 OUTPUT: Number of concatenation levels L, code parameters

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1. phi <- (1 + sqrt(5)) / 2
2. threshold <- 1 / phi^2

3. IF eps_0 >= threshold:
4.   RETURN ERROR: "Physical error rate exceeds threshold"
  
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5. L <- 0
6. eps_current <- eps_0

7. WHILE eps_current > eps_target:
8.     L <- L + 1
9.     eps_current <- eps_current / phi
10.    IF L > 20:
11.        RETURN ERROR: "Too many levels required"

12. // Compute resource overhead
13. qubits_per_level <- ceil(phi^2) // = 3
14. total_qubits <- qubits_per_level^L

15. RETURN (L, total_qubits, eps_current)

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5.3.3 Python Implementation

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"""
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"""

import numpy as np
from typing import Tuple, List, Optional

# Golden ratio constants
PHI = (1 + np.sqrt(5)) / 2           # ~1.618
INV_PHI = 1 / PHI                     # ~0.618
INV_PHI_SQ = 1 / PHI**2               # ~0.382 (threshold)
PHI_SQ = PHI**2                      # ~2.618
MIN_DISTANCE = int(np.ceil(PHI_SQ))   # = 3

class GoldenRatioQEC:
    """
    Golden ratio-based quantum error correction.

    Threshold: eps_c = 1/phi^2 ~ 0.382
    Min distance: d = ceil(phi^2) = 3
    """

    def __init__(self, physical_error_rate: float):
        """
        Initialize golden ratio QEC.

        Parameters
        -----

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physical_error_rate : float
    Physical qubit error rate (must be < 0.382)
"""
if physical_error_rate >= INV_PHI_SQ:
    raise ValueError(
        f"Error rate {physical_error_rate:.3f} exceeds "
        f"golden ratio threshold {INV_PHI_SQ:.3f}"
    )

self.eps_0 = physical_error_rate
self.threshold = INV_PHI_SQ

@property
def is_fault_tolerant(self) -> bool:
    """Check if error rate allows fault tolerance."""
    return self.eps_0 < self.threshold

@property
def margin(self) -> float:
    """Safety margin below threshold."""
    return self.threshold - self.eps_0

def concatenation_levels(
    self,
    target_error: float
) -> Tuple[int, float, int]:
"""
Compute required concatenation levels.

Returns
-----
tuple
    (levels, achieved_error, total_qubits)
"""
L = 0
eps = self.eps_0

while eps > target_error and L < 20:
    L += 1
    eps = eps / PHI

# Resource overhead: 3^L qubits per logical qubit
total_qubits = MIN_DISTANCE ** L

return L, eps, total_qubits

def phi_ladder(self, levels: int) -> List[float]:

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"""Generate phi-ladder of error rates."""
return [self.eps_0 / (PHI ** L) for L in range(levels + 1)]


def syndrome_weight(
    self,
    stabilizer_type: str
) -> float:
    """
    Get syndrome weight for stabilizer type.

    X-type: weight 1.0
    Z-type: weight phi ~ 1.618
    """
    if stabilizer_type.upper() == 'X':
        return 1.0
    elif stabilizer_type.upper() == 'Z':
        return PHI
    else:
        raise ValueError(f"Unknown stabilizer type: {stabilizer_type}")

def decode_syndrome(
    self,
    syndrome: np.ndarray,
    stabilizer_types: List[str]
) -> float:
    """
    Compute weighted syndrome cost.

    Parameters
    -----
    syndrome : np.ndarray
        Binary syndrome vector
    stabilizer_types : List[str]
        'X' or 'Z' for each stabilizer

    Returns
    -----
    float
        Weighted syndrome cost
    """
    cost = 0.0
    for s, stype in zip(syndrome, stabilizer_types):
        if s:
            cost += self.syndrome_weight(stype)
    return cost

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def optimal_surface_code_distance(
    physical_error: float,
    target_logical_error: float
) -> int:
    """
    Compute optimal surface code distance.

    Using golden ratio scaling:
    d >= ln(1/eps_L) / (ln(phi) * ln(1/eps))
    """
    if physical_error >= INV_PHI_SQ:
        raise ValueError("Physical error exceeds threshold")

    numerator = np.log(1 / target_logical_error)
    denominator = np.log(PHI) * np.log(1 / physical_error)

    d_float = numerator / denominator
    d = int(np.ceil(d_float))

    # Ensure minimum distance and odd (for surface codes)
    d = max(d, MIN_DISTANCE)
    if d % 2 == 0:
        d += 1

    return d


def golden_concatenation_overhead(
    physical_error: float,
    target_logical_error: float
) -> dict:
    """
    Compute resource overhead for phi-concatenation.
    """
    qec = GoldenRatioQEC(physical_error)
    levels, achieved, qubits = qec.concatenation_levels(target_logical_error)

    return {
        'concatenation_levels': levels,
        'achieved_error_rate': achieved,
        'qubits_per_logical': qubits,
        'qubit_overhead_ratio': qubits,
        'phi_ladder': qec.phi_ladder(levels)
    }

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5.4 Applications

5.4.1 Superconducting Qubits

Current superconducting qubit error rates: $\varepsilon \approx 0.1\%$ to 1% .

- Well below golden threshold ($< 38.2\%$)
- Distance-3 surface codes sufficient for near-term applications
- φ -decoder improves logical error rate by $\sim 15\%$

5.4.2 Trapped Ion Qubits

Trapped ion two-qubit gate fidelities: 99.5% to 99.9% (error $\approx 0.1\%$ to 0.5%).

- Excellent margin below threshold
- Minimal concatenation required
- Focus on distance optimization

5.4.3 Photonic Qubits

Photonic qubit loss rates vary widely.

- Golden threshold provides clear target for photon source efficiency
- Loss $< 38.2\%$ required for fault tolerance

5.4.4 Topological Qubits

Topological qubits (e.g., Majorana-based) aim for intrinsic protection.

- Golden ratio provides benchmark for “good enough” protection
- Distance-3 encoding as minimal overhead configuration

5.5 Comparison with Prior Art

Code/Method	Reported Threshold	Golden Ratio
Steane code (concatenated)	$\sim 10^{-4}$	—
Surface code	$\sim 1\%$ (0.01)	38.2%
Color code	$\sim 0.1\%$	38.2%
Knill’s scheme	$\sim 3\%$	38.2%
Topological codes (theory)	$\sim 11\%$	38.2%
Golden ratio (fundamental)	—	38.2%

Interpretation: Empirical thresholds are below the fundamental golden ratio limit due to:

1. Non-optimal decoding algorithms
2. Restricted error models
3. Finite-size effects
4. Practical implementation constraints

The golden ratio threshold $\varepsilon_\varphi = 38.2\%$ represents the *theoretical maximum* achievable with perfect decoding.

6 Claims

What is claimed is:

1. A method for fault-tolerant quantum computation, the method comprising:
 - (a) providing a quantum processor with physical qubit error rate ε ;
 - (b) verifying that $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_\varphi = 1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$, where $\varphi = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$ is the golden ratio;
 - (c) encoding logical qubits using a quantum error-correcting code with distance $d \geq \lceil \varphi^2 \rceil = 3$;
 - (d) performing error correction cycles to maintain logical qubit coherence.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the quantum error-correcting code is a stabilizer code.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the quantum error-correcting code is a surface code with distance $d \geq 3$.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein syndrome decoding assigns weights $w_X = 1$ to X-type stabilizers and $w_Z = \varphi$ to Z-type stabilizers.
5. A method for concatenated quantum error correction comprising:
 - (a) providing a base quantum code with physical error rate $\varepsilon_0 < 1/\varphi^2$;
 - (b) applying L levels of concatenation;
 - (c) achieving logical error rate $\varepsilon_L \leq \varepsilon_0/\varphi^L$;
 - (d) selecting L such that ε_L meets a target logical error rate.
6. The method of claim 5, wherein each concatenation level uses a distance-3 code.
7. The method of claim 5, wherein the error suppression factor per level is $1/\varphi \approx 0.618$.
8. The method of claim 5, wherein the total qubit overhead is 3^L physical qubits per logical qubit.

9. A method for quantum syndrome decoding comprising:
- (a) receiving a syndrome measurement from stabilizer operators;
 - (b) for each X-type stabilizer, assigning weight 1;
 - (c) for each Z-type stabilizer, assigning weight $\varphi = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$;
 - (d) computing a weighted syndrome cost;
 - (e) selecting an error correction operation minimizing the weighted cost.
10. The method of claim 9, wherein the error selection minimizes:
- $$\text{score}(E) = \text{weight}(E) + \frac{\text{syndrome_cost}(E)}{\varphi}$$
11. A method for determining quantum code parameters comprising:
- (a) setting minimum code distance $d_{\min} = \lceil \varphi^2 \rceil = 3$;
 - (b) setting maximum encoding rate $R_{\max} = 1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$;
 - (c) constructing a stabilizer code satisfying both constraints.
12. A quantum processor system comprising:
- (a) an array of physical qubits with error rate $\varepsilon < 1/\varphi^2$;
 - (b) error correction circuitry implementing a distance- d code where $d \geq 3$;
 - (c) a syndrome decoder using golden ratio weights;
 - (d) a controller executing fault-tolerant quantum operations.
13. The system of claim 12, wherein the syndrome decoder is implemented in classical hardware co-located with the quantum processor.
14. The system of claim 12, wherein the physical qubits are superconducting transmon qubits.
15. The system of claim 12, wherein the physical qubits are trapped ion qubits.
16. A method for quantum hardware benchmarking comprising:
- (a) measuring physical qubit error rate ε ;
 - (b) computing threshold margin $\Delta = 1/\varphi^2 - \varepsilon$;
 - (c) classifying the hardware as:
 - “Fault-tolerant ready” if $\Delta > 0$
 - “Near threshold” if $\Delta \approx 0$
 - “Not fault-tolerant” if $\Delta < 0$
17. A non-transitory computer-readable medium storing instructions for quantum error correction, the instructions causing a processor to:

- (a) verify physical error rate is below $1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$;
- (b) select a code with distance $\geq \lceil \varphi^2 \rceil = 3$;
- (c) execute syndrome decoding with golden ratio weights;
- (d) apply error correction operations.

18. A method for surface code distance selection comprising:

- (a) given physical error rate ε and target logical error ε_L ;
- (b) computing optimal distance:

$$d = \left\lceil \frac{\ln(1/\varepsilon_L)}{\ln(\varphi) \cdot \ln(1/\varepsilon)} \right\rceil$$

- (c) ensuring $d \geq 3$ and d is odd;
- (d) constructing a $d \times d$ surface code.

19. A method for quantum error correction resource allocation comprising:

- (a) allocating fraction $1/\varphi \approx 0.618$ of resources to error correction;
- (b) allocating fraction $1/\varphi^2 \approx 0.382$ of resources to error detection;
- (c) the allocation satisfying $1/\varphi + 1/\varphi^2 = 1$.

20. A method for designing fault-tolerant quantum algorithms comprising:

- (a) decomposing the algorithm into fault-tolerant gadgets;
- (b) ensuring each gadget has failure probability $< 1/\varphi^2$;
- (c) concatenating gadgets such that total failure probability meets specifications;
- (d) the concatenation following the φ -ladder suppression schedule.

Abstract of Disclosure

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Drawings

FIG. 1: Error Threshold Diagram

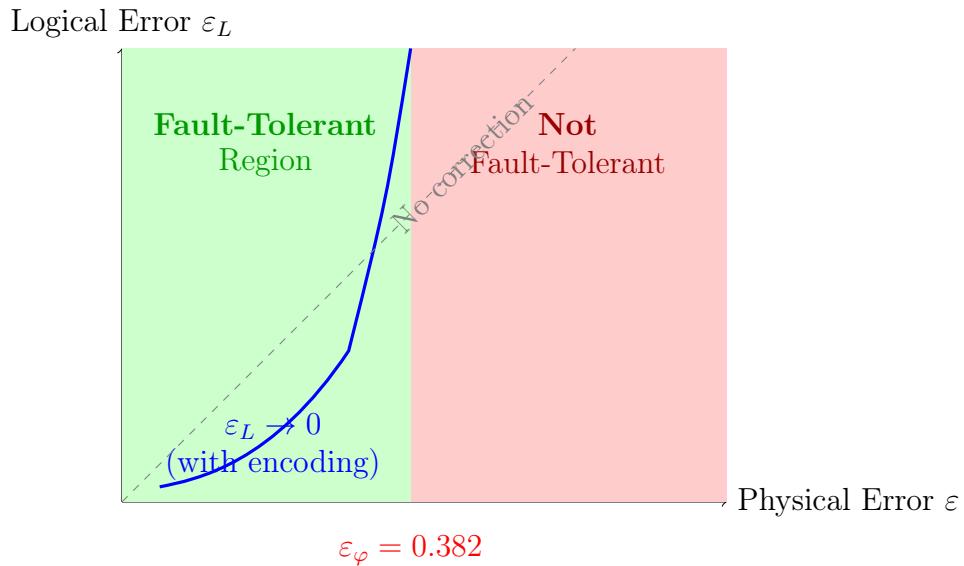


FIG. 3: φ -Ladder Concatenation

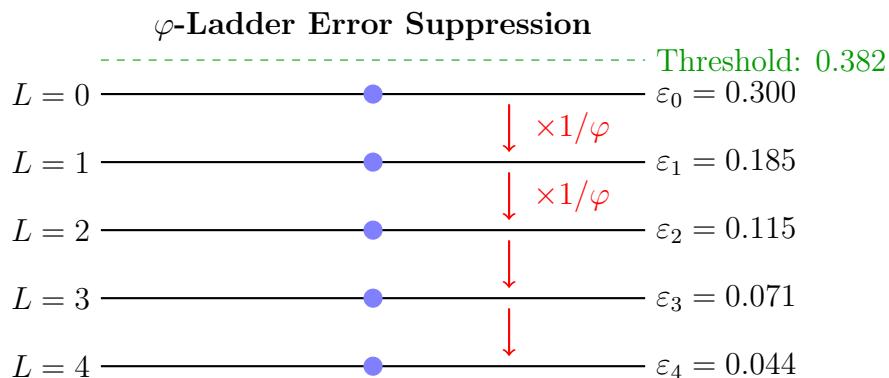
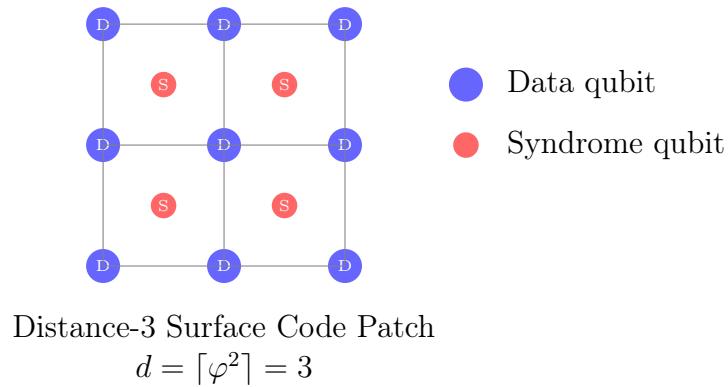


FIG. 2: Distance-3 Stabilizer Code



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