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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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Embodiments of the present disclosure relate to sequential decoding of moderate length low-density parity-check (LDPC) codes via reinforcement learning (RL). The sequential decoding scheme is modeled as a Markov decision process (MDP), and an optimized cluster scheduling policy is subsequently obtained via RL. A software agent is trained to schedule all check nodes (CNs) in a cluster, and all clusters in every iteration. A new RL state space model is provided that enables the RL-based decoder to be suitable for longer LDPC codes.

