

On Optimality of CSS Codes for Transversal T

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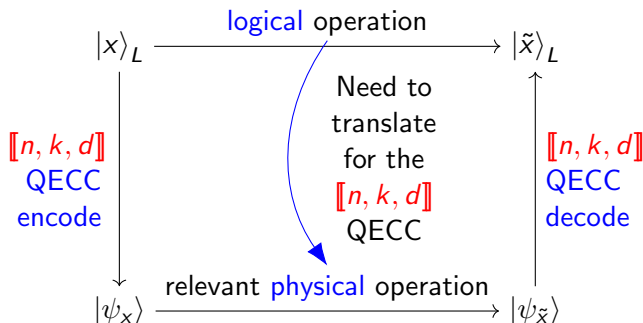
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Goal: Logical Operations from Physical T Gates

QECC: Quantum Error Correcting Code



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Literature related to Magic State Distillation

- [GC99]: Universal computation via quantum teleportation
- [BK05]: Ideal Clifford gates and noisy ancillas
- [BH12]: Distillation with low overhead, [triorthogonal codes](#)
- [KB15]: Transversal gates on [color codes](#)
- [CH17]: [Quasitransversality](#)
- [HH17]: [Generalized triorthogonality](#)
- [Haa+17]: Distillation with optimal asymptotic input count
- [KT18]: Punctured polar codes from [decreasing monomial codes](#)
- [VB19]: [Quantum Pin Codes](#)
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Stabilizer Codes ($N = 2^n$)

r -dimensional Stabilizer: Generated by r commuting Pauli operators:

$$S = \langle \epsilon_i E(a_i, b_i); i = 1, \dots, r \rangle, \epsilon_i \in \{\pm 1\}, -I_N \notin S$$

$[[n, k = n - r, d]]$ Stabilizer Code: The 2^k dimensional subspace, $V(S)$, jointly fixed by all elements of S

$$V(S) := \left\{ |\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^N : g |\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle \text{ for all } g \in S \right\}$$

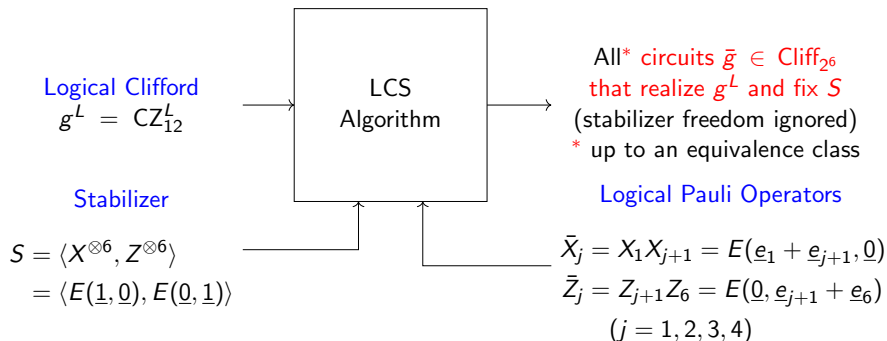
Example:

$[[6, 4, 2]]$ CSS Code: $S := \langle X^{\otimes 6} = E(a, 0), Z^{\otimes 6} = E(0, a) \rangle, a := [111111]$

Generator Matrix: $G_S = \left[\begin{array}{cccccc|cccccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$

Logical Clifford Synthesis (LCS)

Synthesis of CZ_{12}^L for $[[6, 4, 2]]$ Code



Implementation: <https://github.com/nrenga/symplectic-arxiv18a>

Paper: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1907.00310>

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Diagonal Recursion for QFD Gates

Recollect: Clifford g acts as $g E(a, b) g^\dagger = \pm E([a, b] F_g)$, F_g symplectic.

How do QFD gates act on Pauli matrices under conjugation?

$$\tau_R^{(\ell)} E(a, b) \left(\tau_R^{(\ell)} \right)^\dagger = \phi(R, a, b, \ell) \cdot E \left([a, b] \begin{bmatrix} I_n & R \\ 0 & I_n \end{bmatrix} \right) \cdot \tau_{\tilde{R}(R, a, \ell)}^{(\ell-1)}$$

$\phi(R, a, b, \ell)$: Deterministic global phase

$\tilde{R}(R, a, \ell)$: New symmetric matrix with entries in $\mathbb{Z}_{2^{\ell-1}}$

All 1- and 2-local diagonal gates in $\mathcal{C}^{(\ell)}$ are QFD for any $\ell \geq 1$
Mølmer-Sørensen gates $MS(\frac{\pi}{2^\ell})$ are QFD up to Hadamards

For details see: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.04022>

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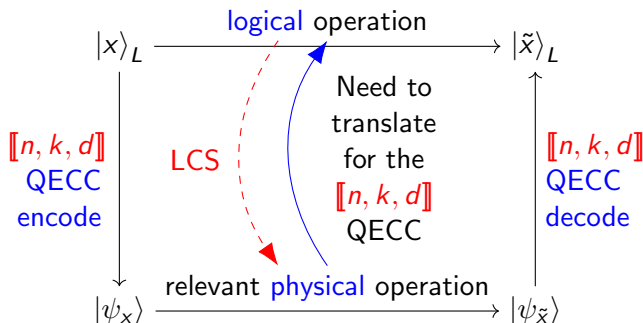
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Reverse LCS Strategy for Physical T Gates

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Transversal T Example: $[[6, 2, 2]]$ CSS Code

Theorem: $T^{\otimes n}$ commutes with the code projector if and only if:

- ① For each $\epsilon_{a,b}E(a, b) \in S$ with $a \neq 0$, we have $w_H(a) \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$.
- ② $Z_S := \{ \text{binary vectors } z \text{ that produce } Z\text{-type stabilizers } \epsilon_z E(0, z) \}$.
For any $\epsilon_{a,b}E(a, b) \in S$ with $a \neq 0$, Z_S contains a dimension $w_H(a)/2$ self-dual code Z_a that is supported on $a \in \mathbb{F}_2^n$.
- ③ For all $\epsilon_{a,b}E(a, b) \in S$, for all $z \in Z_a$, we have $i^{w_H(z)}E(0, z) \in S$.

$$G_S = \left[\begin{array}{cccccc|cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} & G_1^\perp \\ \hline G_2 & \end{array} \right]$$

$$S = \langle X^{\otimes 6}, -Z_1Z_2, -Z_3Z_4, -Z_5Z_6 \rangle$$

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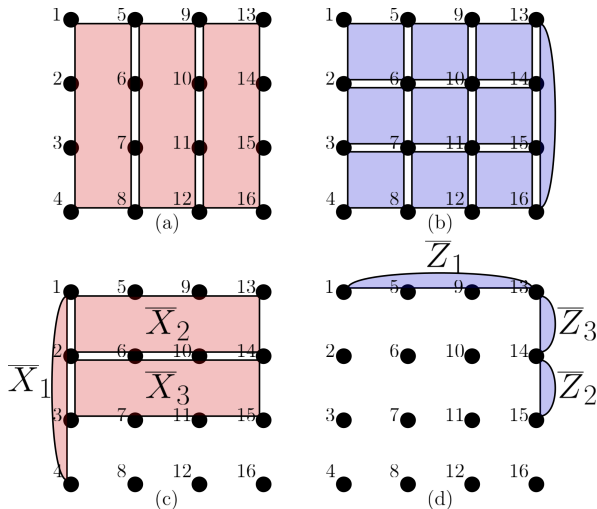
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Two Corollaries: (**Non-degenerate** \Rightarrow each stabilizer has weight $\geq d$)

- 1 Triorthogonal codes form the only CSS family with $T^{\otimes n} \equiv \bar{T}^{\otimes k}$.
- 2 For each $[[n, k, d]]$ **non-degenerate stabilizer code** that supports transversal T , there is an $[[n, k, d]]$ CSS-T code that does too.

[[16, 3, 2]] CSS-T Code: Logical CCZ

Can equivalently be constructed using decreasing monomial codes!



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