

Writeup



Detecting X and Z errors

For X errors:

- If all data qubits in $|\pm x\rangle \equiv |\pm\rangle$ state, ancilla $\rightarrow |0\rangle$
- X, Y, Z are the Pauli matrices $\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z$

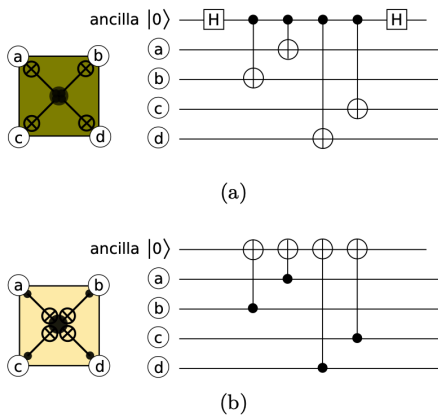


FIG. 2. Standard quantum circuits to measure stabilizers (a) $X_a X_b X_c X_d$ and (b) $Z_a Z_b Z_c Z_d$.

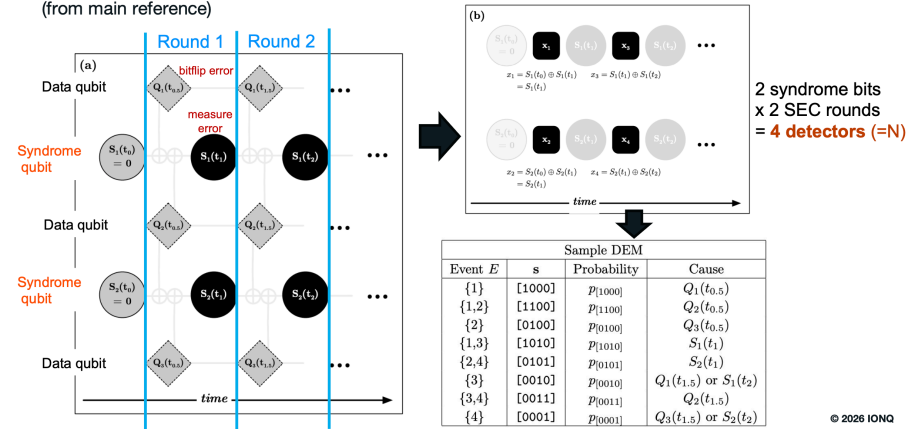


Introduction : Review of DEMs

From Erik's presentation:

Example DEM: 2 rounds of d=3 repetition code

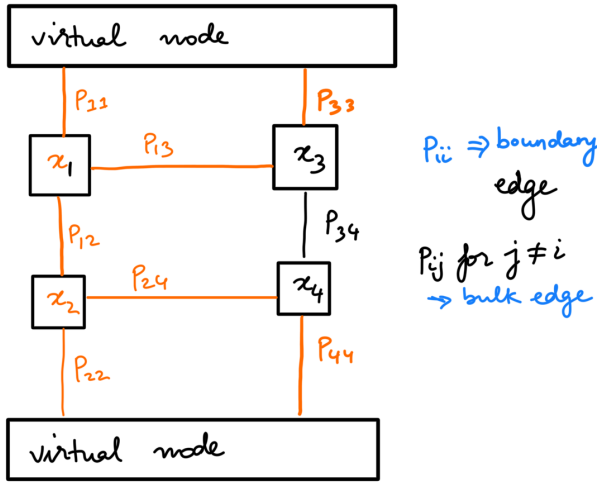
(from main reference)



The p_{ij} picture for Graphlike Error Models:

- This picture of DEMs came later, and was an attempt to clarify Google's p_{ij} picture of DEMs
- Graphlike means that no error mechanism contributes to more than one pair of detectors (note these are all single qubit errors)

- Note that we have *space-like*, *time-like* edges (e.g. p_{12} , p_{13}). This DEM does not have *space-time-like* edges



Event	p_{ij}	Cause
{1}	p_{11}	$Q_1(t_{1.5})$
{1,2}	p_{12}	$Q_2(t_{0.5})$
{2}	p_{22}	$Q_3(t_{0.5})$
{1,3}	p_{13}	$S_1(t_1)$
{2,4}	p_{24}	$S_2(t_1)$
{3}	p_{33}	$Q_1(t_{1.5})$ or $S_1(t_2)$
{3,4}	p_{34}	$Q_2(t_{1.5})$
{4}	p_{44}	$Q_3(t_{1.5})$ or $S_2(t_2)$

- Edges define *error mechanisms* that flip one or two of the detectors
- Note that some error mechanisms are indistinguishable e.g. $Q_1(t_{1.5})$ or $S_1(t_2)$ both contribute to p_{33} and cannot be distinguished in this DEM



Inferring DEM from Syndrome data

- Erik showed how $P(s)$ can be inferred from syndrome data in the earlier paper
- Here, we count detector "clicks": $v_i = 1$ if detector on/ error detected and $v_i = 0$ if detector off/ no error
- In the p_{ij} formalism, we have (\oplus denotes XOR)

$$p_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\langle v_i v_j \rangle - \langle v_i \rangle \langle v_j \rangle}{1 - 2 \langle v_i \oplus v_j \rangle}} \quad i \neq j$$

- Use the above to infer p_{ii} as

$$p_{ii} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\langle v_i \rangle - \frac{1}{2}}{\prod_{i \neq j} (1 - 2p_{ij})}$$



Limitations/Points of Confusion:

- Considered single qubit errors, not *gate errors*
- Gate errors show up as *space time* edges
- Hypergraph/hyper-edges also possible, especially with cycles where an error flips multiple detectors
- This connects to the paper Erik presented on via *reduced DEMs*





What is a Coherent Error

- Consider the example where every qubit has:

$$U = \prod_{j=1}^n e^{-i\theta_j Z_j}$$

- Coherent Error Channel

$$\mathcal{E}_{coh}(\rho) = U\rho U^\dagger$$

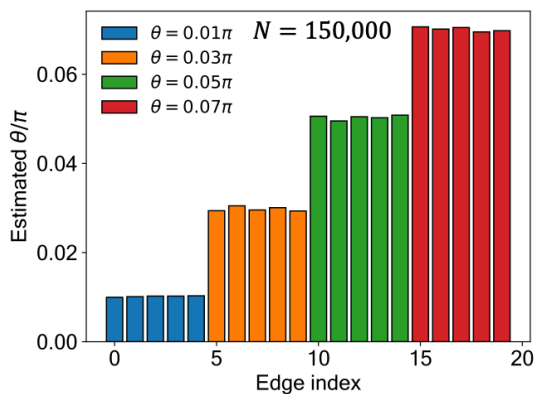
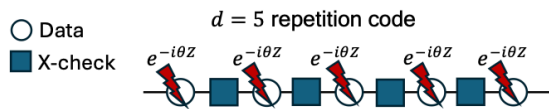
- If all $\theta_j = \theta$, note this gives a *physical error rate* $p = \sin^2 \theta$, which is the dephasing strength you would get from Pauli twirling this coherent error

$$\mathcal{E}_{twirl}(\rho) = \cos^2 \theta \rho + \sin^2 \theta Z \rho Z$$



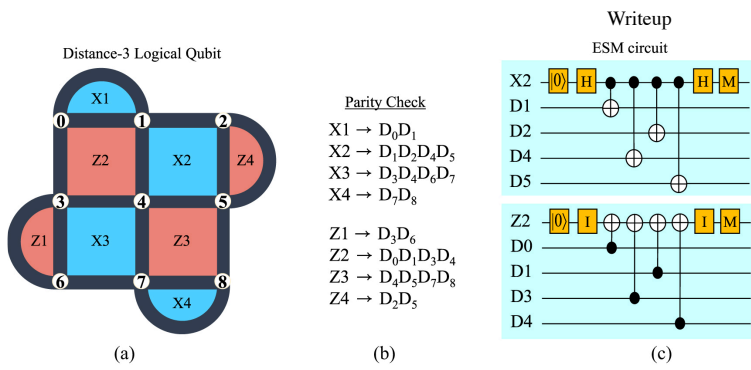
Coherent Errors in the $d = 5$ repetition error

- also recall X check definition and circuit from Erik
- We count $\langle v_i \rangle, \langle v_i v_j \rangle$ and reconstruct from $p = \sin^2 \theta$ the angles
- Note that in this DEM, only one round of syndrome extraction, 4 detectors, and 5 edges: p_{11}, p_{44} are the boundary, p_{12}, p_{23}, p_{34} are the bulk edges
- Note that each *bulk* edge in DEM maps to noise from two data qubits, each *boundary* edge only relates to one qubit's error



More complicated : X memory rotated surface Code

- Insert my diagrams about the surface code



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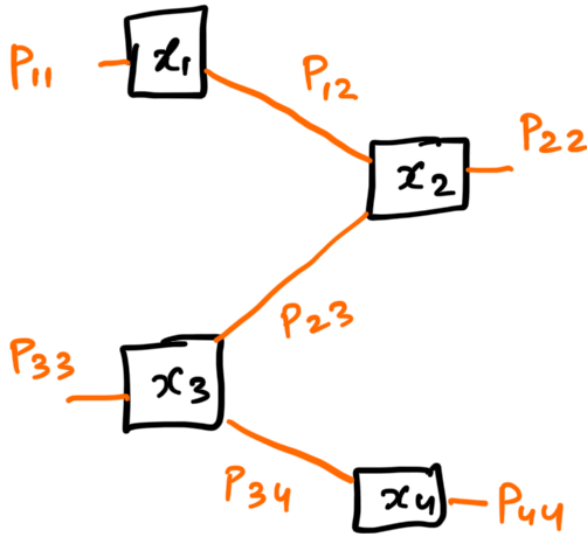
- X^L and Z^L are our logical operators
- For the blue and red faces f , we have

$$A_f = \prod_{j \in \partial f} X_j, \quad B_f = \prod_{j \in \partial f} Z_j; \quad S_f = A_f \quad \text{if } f \text{ blue}; \quad S_f = B_f \quad \text{if } f \text{ red}$$

- Note that for the edge cases, ∂f still defines the qubits involved.
- Logical operators:

$$X^L = \prod_{j \in \text{LEFT}} X_j; \quad Z^L = \prod_{j \in \text{TOP}} Z_j$$

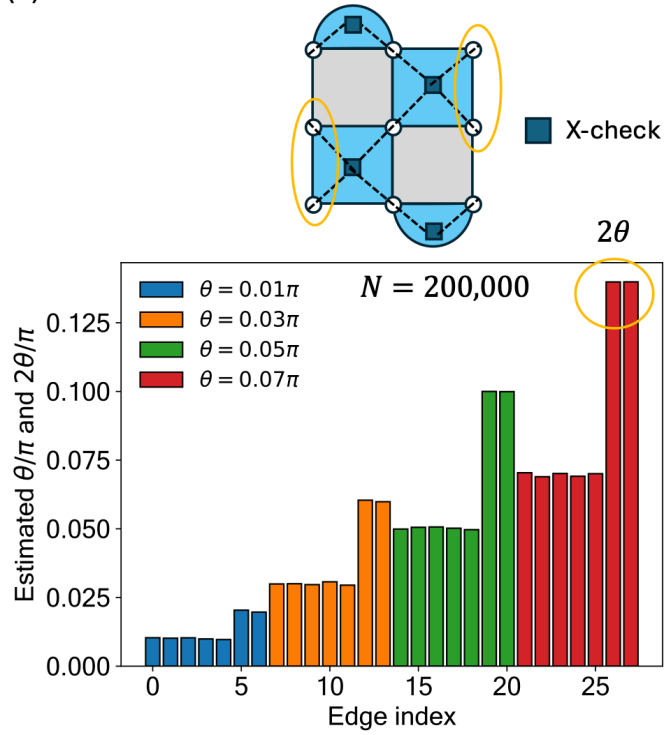
- The DEM looks like this with 7 edges, 4 boundary, 3 bulk



- For bulk edges, $N_d/N_e = 1$, for boundary $N_d/N_e = 2$.

- Coherent enhancement:

(b)

 $d = 3$ rotated surface code

- Sample implementation: https://github.com/rootware-ionq/learn_coherent_DEM

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