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# Seminari Informal de Matemàtiques de Barcelona

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**Speaker:** Robin Simoens.  
**University:** Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya.

**Date:** Wednesday, January 10th, 2024.

**Schedule:** 13:00, *coffee break*; 13:20, talk.

**Place:** UPC (FME aula 005) and Zoom.

**Language:** English.

**Title:** Coding theory: into the quantum world

**Abstract:** Classical error-correcting codes were introduced in 1950 by Richard Hamming and are now well-developed. They are built upon the idea of adding redundant information to protect against errors. In 1995, Peter Shor showed that this idea can be carried into the quantum world, giving rise to quantum error-correcting codes, which play a central role in the realisation of quantum computers. In this talk, I will give an introduction to both classical and quantum codes, pointing out their differences and similarities.

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