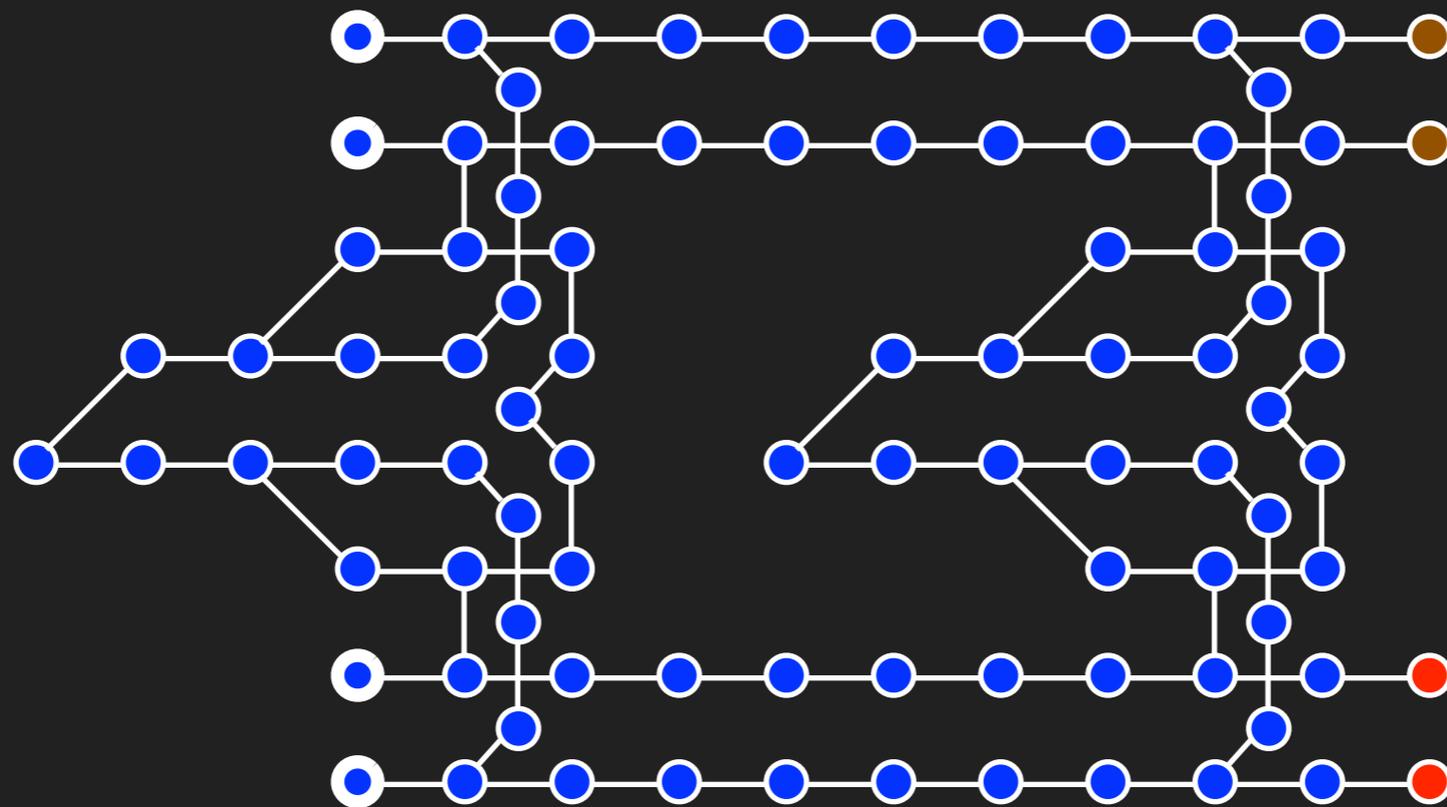


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Concatenating Decoherence-Free Subspaces with Quantum Error Correcting Codes

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An operator sum representation is derived for a decoherence-free subspace (DFS) and used to (i) show that DFS's are the class of quantum error correcting codes (QECC's) with fixed, *unitary* recovery operators and (ii) find explicit representations for the Kraus operators of collective decoherence. We demonstrate how this can be used to construct a concatenated DFS-QECC code which protects against collective decoherence perturbed by independent decoherence. The code yields an error threshold which depends only on the perturbing independent decoherence rate. [S0031-9007(99)09301-1]

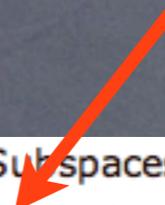
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Decoherence-free subspaces (DFS's) have recently emerged [1–6] as an alternative way to protect fragile quantum states against decoherence, alongside “conventional” quantum error correcting codes (QECC's) [7,8] and the new “dynamical decoupling” schemes [9]. This is of particular importance in quantum computation, where the promise of a speedup compared to classical computers hinges crucially on the possibility to maintain quantum coherence throughout the computation [10]. So far, DFS's and QECC's have been considered as distinct methods, often characterized as “passive” and “active,” respectively. However, as we will show here, in fact, DFS's can be considered as a special class of QECC's, characterized as

tonian is $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_S \otimes \mathbf{I}_B + \mathbf{I}_S \otimes \mathbf{H}_B + \mathbf{H}_I$, where \mathbf{H}_S , \mathbf{H}_B , and \mathbf{H}_I are, respectively, the system, bath, and interaction Hamiltonians, and \mathbf{I} is the identity operator. Assuming initial decoupling between system and bath, the evolution of the closed system is given by $\rho_{SB}(t) = \mathbf{U}[\rho_S(0) \otimes \rho_B(0)]\mathbf{U}^\dagger$. Quite generally, the interaction Hamiltonian can be written as $\mathbf{H}_I = \sum_\alpha \mathbf{F}_\alpha \otimes \mathbf{B}_\alpha$, where \mathbf{F}_α and \mathbf{B}_α are, respectively, system and bath operators. Suppose that there exists a degenerate subset $\{|\tilde{k}\rangle\}$ of eigenvectors of the \mathbf{F}_α 's such that

$$\mathbf{F}_\alpha |\tilde{k}\rangle = a_\alpha |\tilde{k}\rangle \quad \forall \alpha, |\tilde{k}\rangle. \quad (1)$$

But Why?

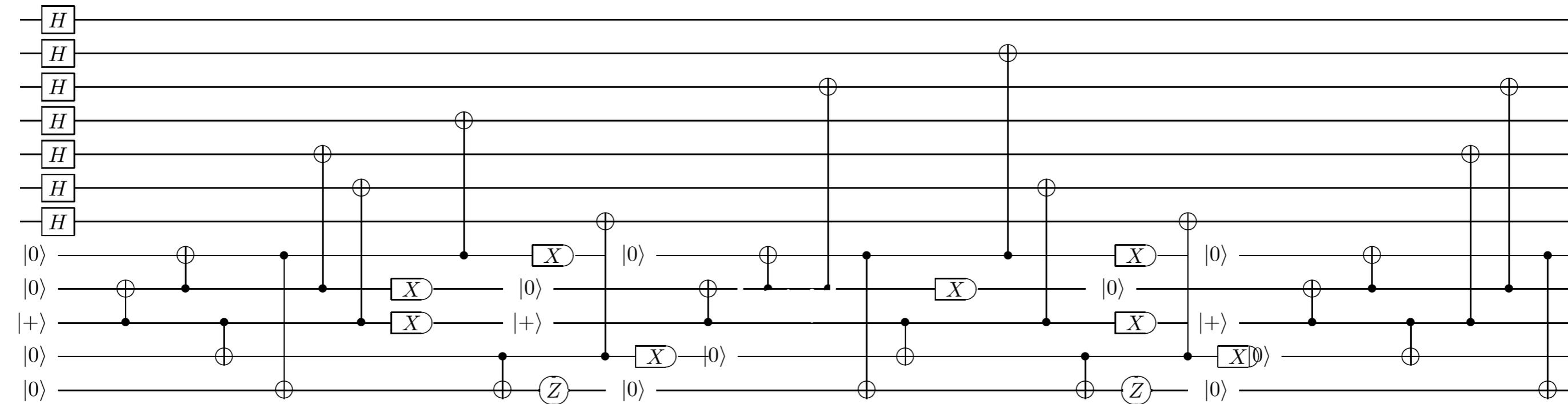


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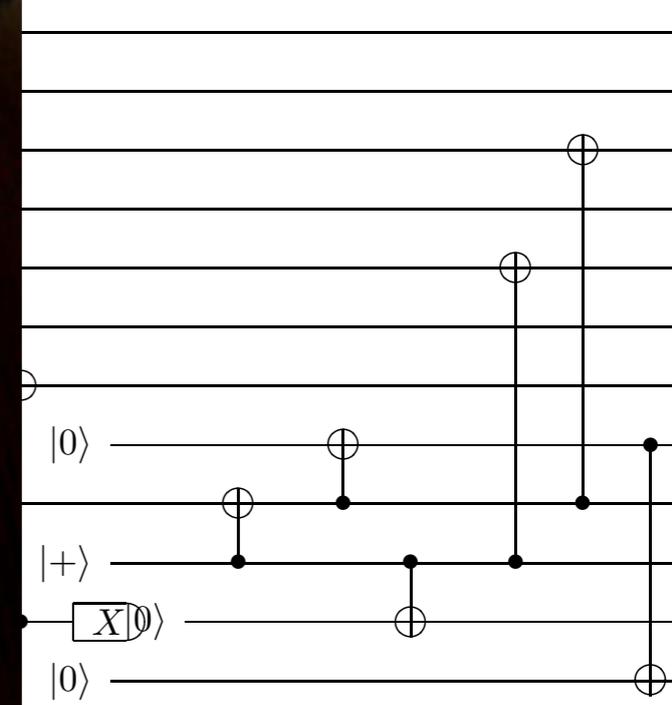
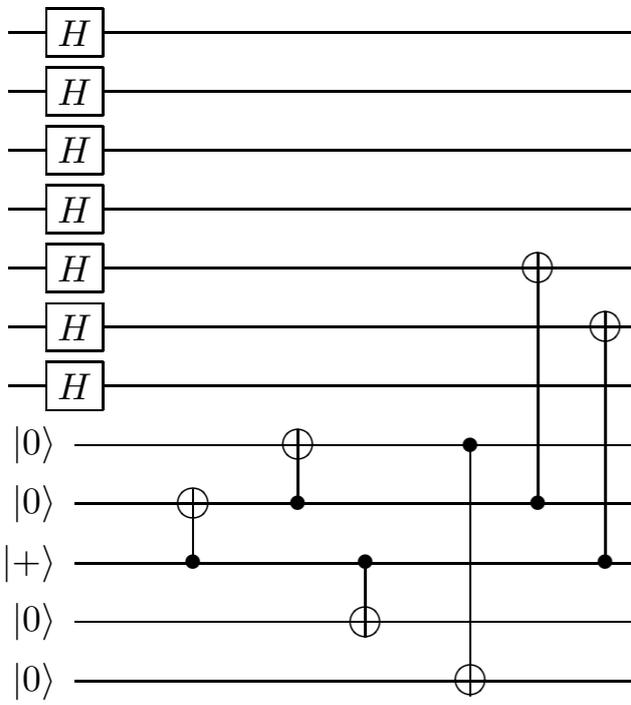


Time \longrightarrow

Complicated, time dependent recipe for protecting quantum information

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Stabilizer Codes

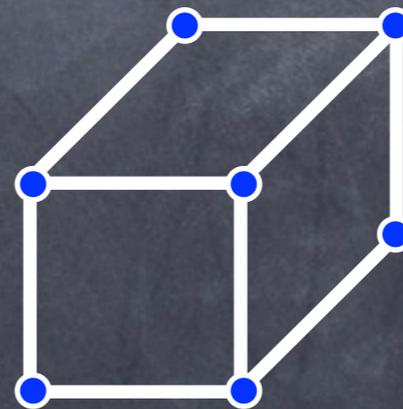
[[7,1,3]] Steane code

QEC Recipe

	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
S_1				Z	Z	Z	Z
S_2		Z	Z			Z	Z
S_3	Z		Z		Z		Z
S_4				X	X	X	X
S_5		X	X			X	X
S_7	X		X		X		X

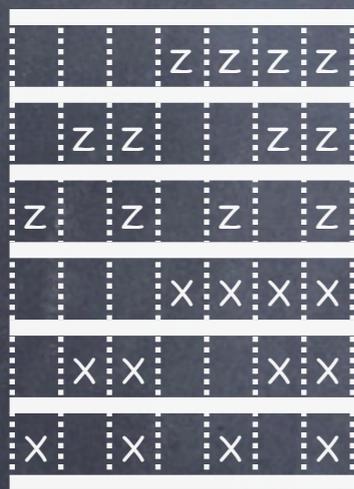
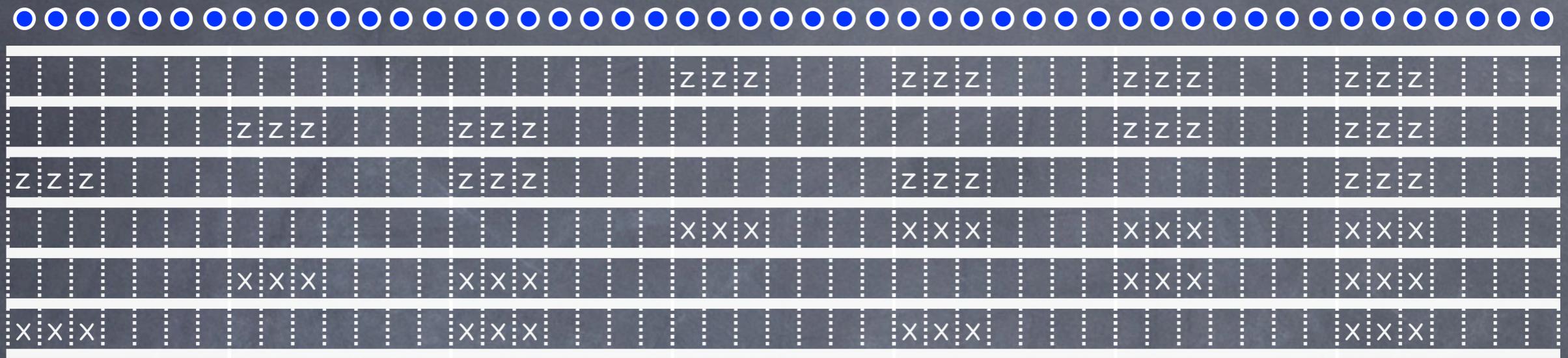
row = stabilizer
column = qubit

1. Measure 6 stabilizer operators
2. Conditional on measurement diagnose (and possibly fix) single qubit error

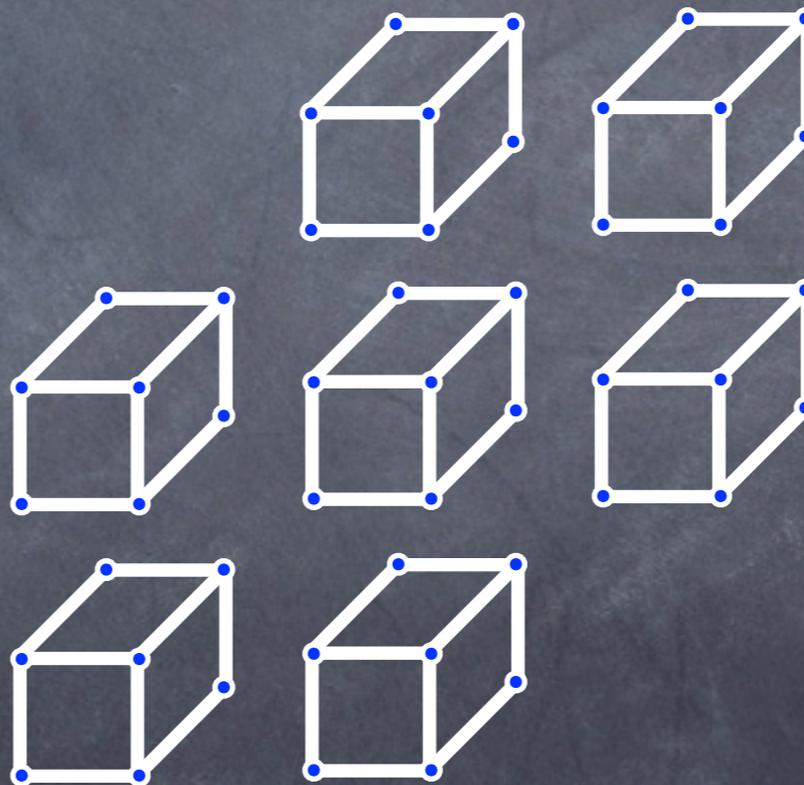


[[# qubits, # encoded qubits, distance]]

Concatenating Our Lives Away

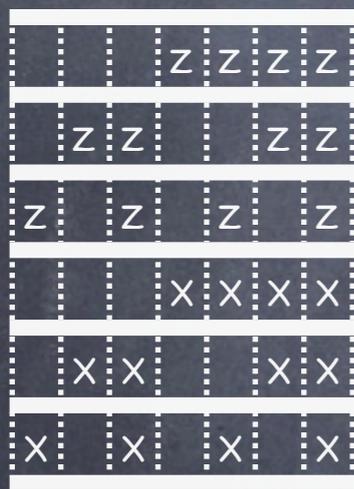
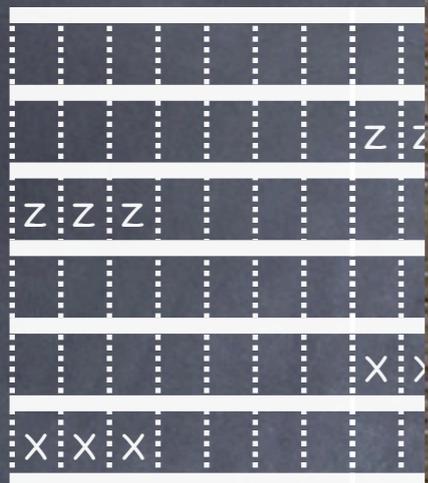


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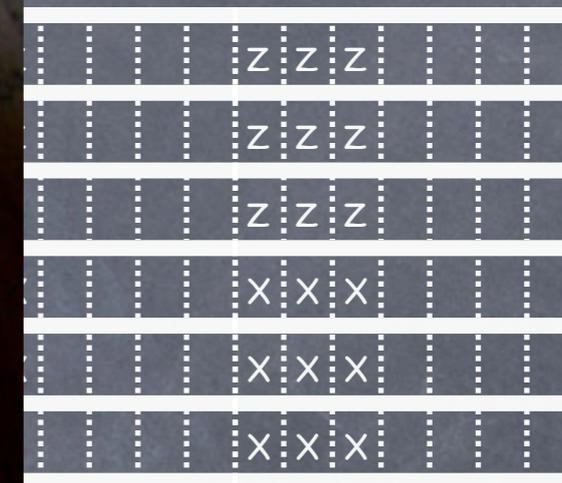


Concatenation implies measurement of spatially distant, high weight, Pauli operators

Concatenation

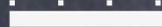
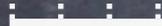
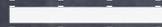
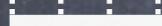
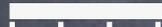
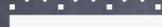
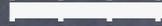
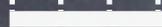
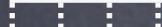
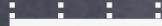
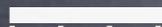


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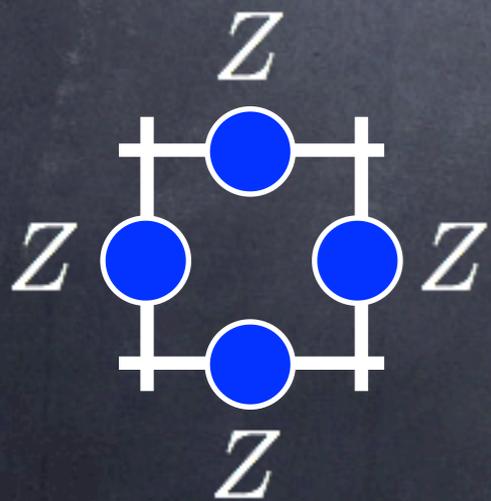
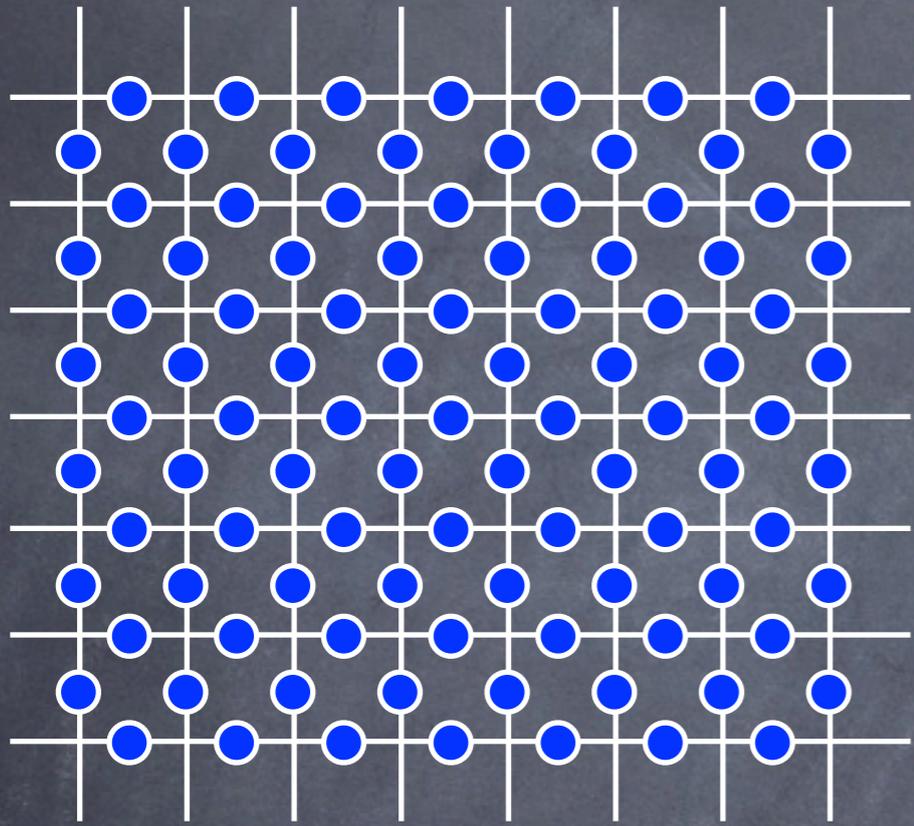


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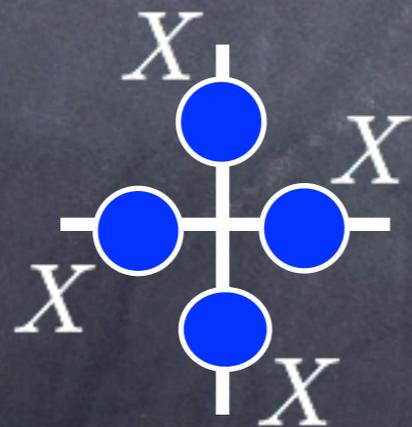
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Surface code QEC

1. Measure plaquette and vertex operators
2. Classically post-process measurement results to diagnose error



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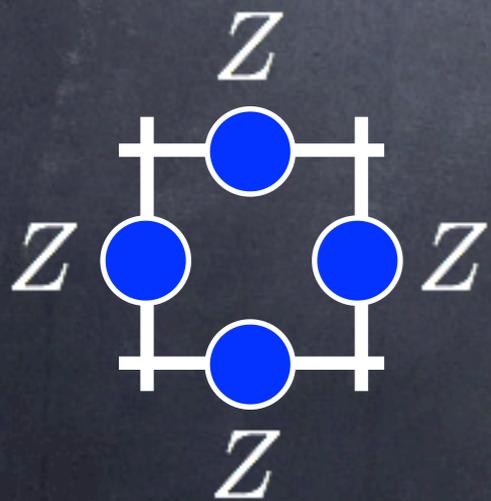
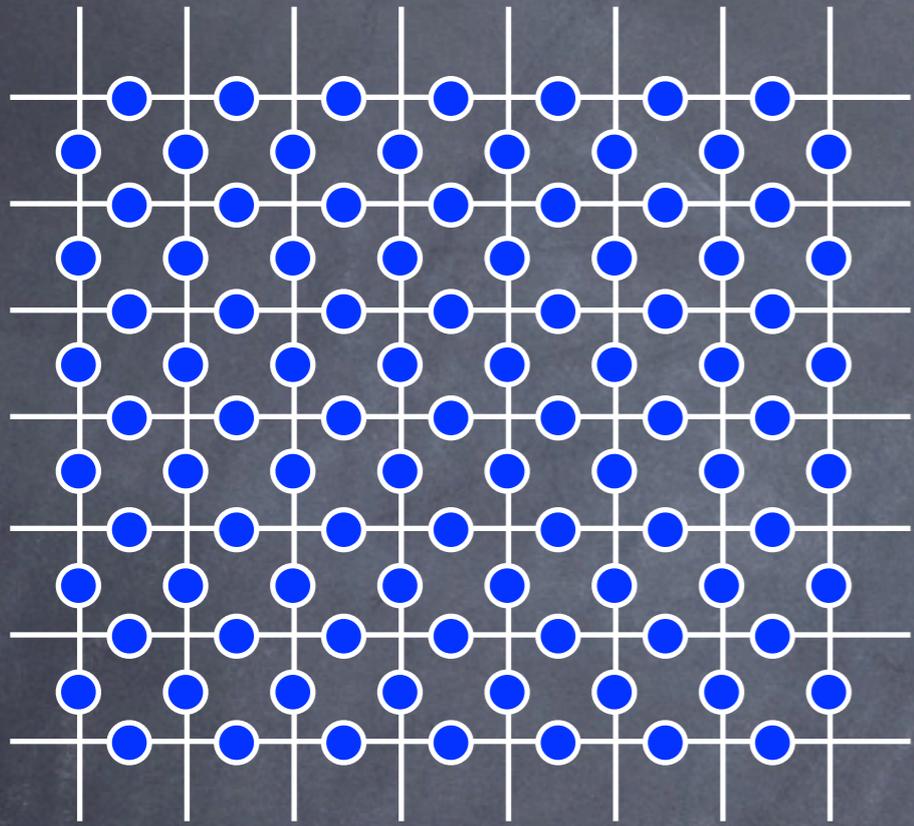


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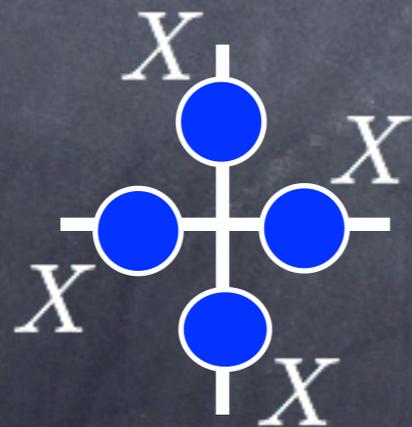
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→ $I \otimes X \otimes X \otimes Y \otimes Y \otimes I \otimes Z \otimes I$ has weight 5

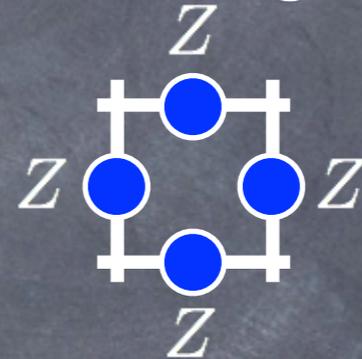
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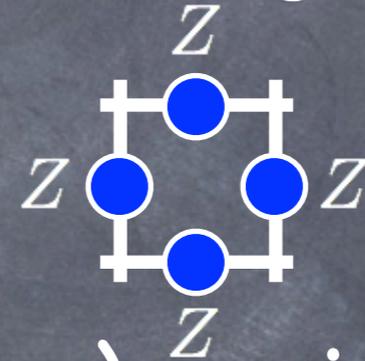
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s-Neighboring code (in D dimensions): exists a set of stabilizer generators where all $\neq I$ operators are within a distance s of each other on some lattice of qubits in D spatial dimensions

→ surface code is 2-neighboring in 2D

Lament

Why can't all codes be
s-neighboring in two or three
spatial dimensions?



Main Result

For every $[[n,k,d]]$ stabilizer code, there exists a $[[N,k,r,d]]$ stabilizer subsystem code, $N=O(n^2)$, whose syndrome measurements can be made using s -neighboring measurements (s constant) in >1 spatial dimensions. ($r = \#$ gauge qubits)

Every stabilizer code can be made to act like the surface code!

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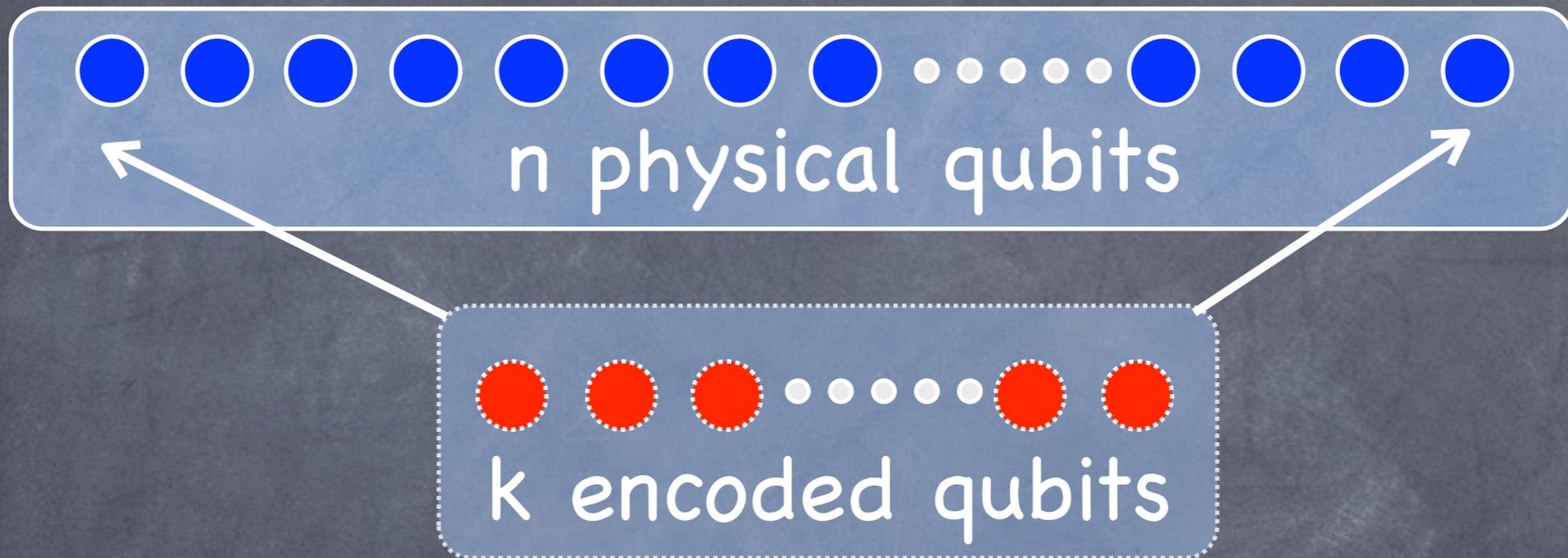
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To Understand:

1. stabilizer subsystem codes
2. measurement based quantum computing
3. spaced-time locality in QEC

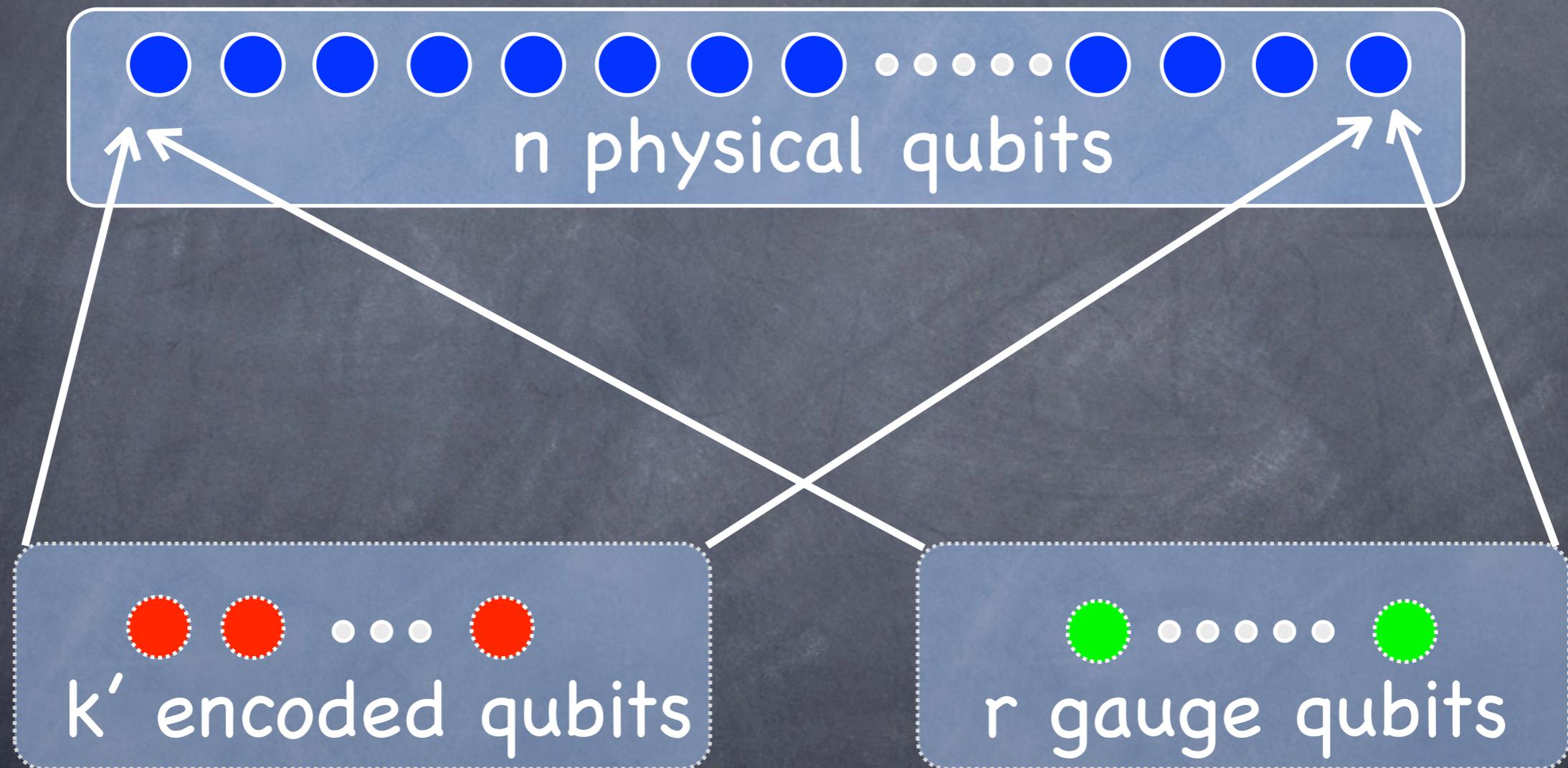
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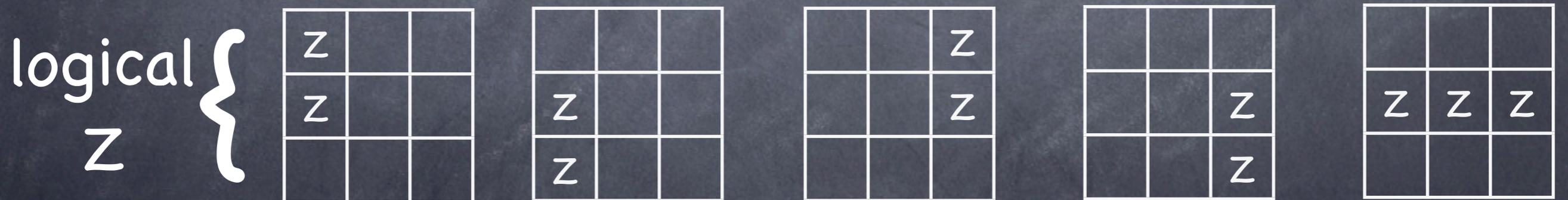
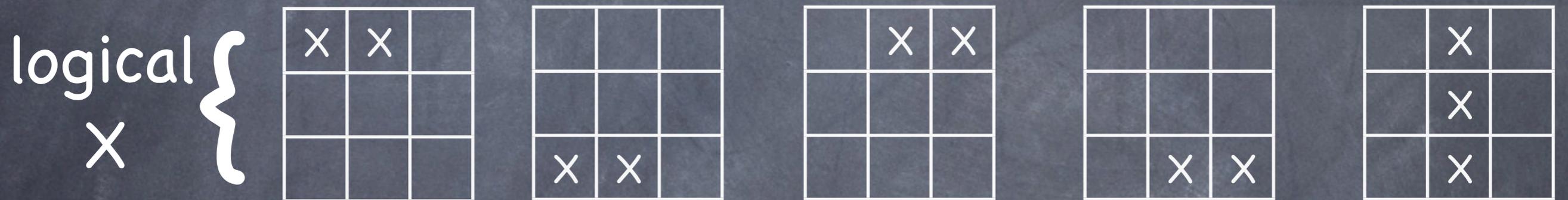
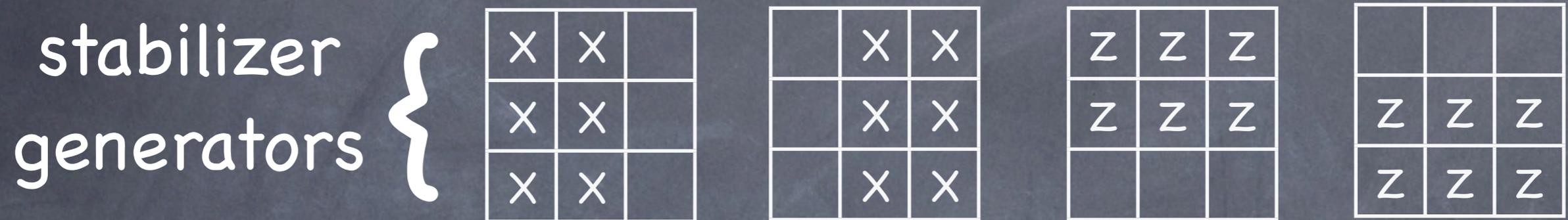


$[[n,k',r,d]]$ Stabilizer Subsystem Code

[David Poulin, arXiv:quant-ph/0508131]

A Subsystem Code

[Bacon, arXiv:quant-ph/0506023]



gauge



encoded

[[9,1,4,3]] stabilizer subsystem code

A Subsystem Code

stabilizer
generators

{

x	x	
x	x	
x	x	

S_1

	x	x
	x	x
	x	x

S_2

z	z	z
z	z	z

S_3

z	z	z
z	z	z

S_4

x	x	
x	x	
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x	x	

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S_1

X_1

X_2

$X_1X_2S_1$

We can measure S_1 by measuring 2-local operators that are products of gauge and stabilizer operators

6-local \rightarrow 2-local

Stabilizer Moves

S_1	S_2	...	S_{n-k-r}	Z_1	Z_2	...	Z_r	Z_1	Z_2	...	Z_k
				X_1	X_2	...	X_r	X_1	X_2	...	X_k
stabilizer				gauge				logical			

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S_1	S_2	...	S_{n-k-r}	Z_1	Z_2	...	Z_r	S_{n-k-r}	Z_1	Z_2	...	Z_k
				X_1	X_2	...	X_r	X_0	X_1	X_2	...	X_k



turn a stabilizer into
a logical operator

S_1	S_2	...	S_{n-k-r}	Z_1	Z_2	...	Z_r	Z_1	Z_2	...	Z_k
				X_1	X_2	...	X_r	X_1	X_2	...	X_k

stabilizer

gauge

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Stabilizer Moves

S	S ₂	...	S _{n-k-r}	Z ₁	Z ₂	...	Z _r	S _{n-k-r}	Z ₁	Z ₂	...	Z _k
				X ₁	X ₂	...	X _r	X ₀	X ₁	X ₂	...	X _k



turn a stabilizer into a logical operator

S ₁	S ₂	...	S _{n-k-r}	Z ₁	Z ₂	...	Z _r	Z ₁	Z ₂	...	Z _k
				X ₁	X ₂	...	X _r	X ₁	X ₂	...	X _k

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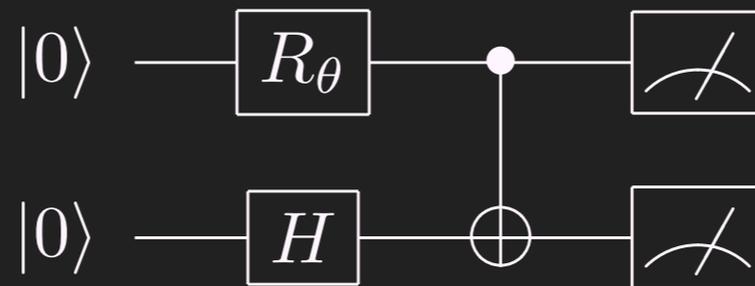


turn a stabilizer into a gauge operator

S	S ₂	...	S _{n-k-r-1}	S _{n-k-r}	Z ₁	Z ₂	...	Z _r	Z ₁	Z ₂	...	Z _k
				X ₀	X ₁	X ₂	...	X _r	X ₁	X ₂	...	X _k

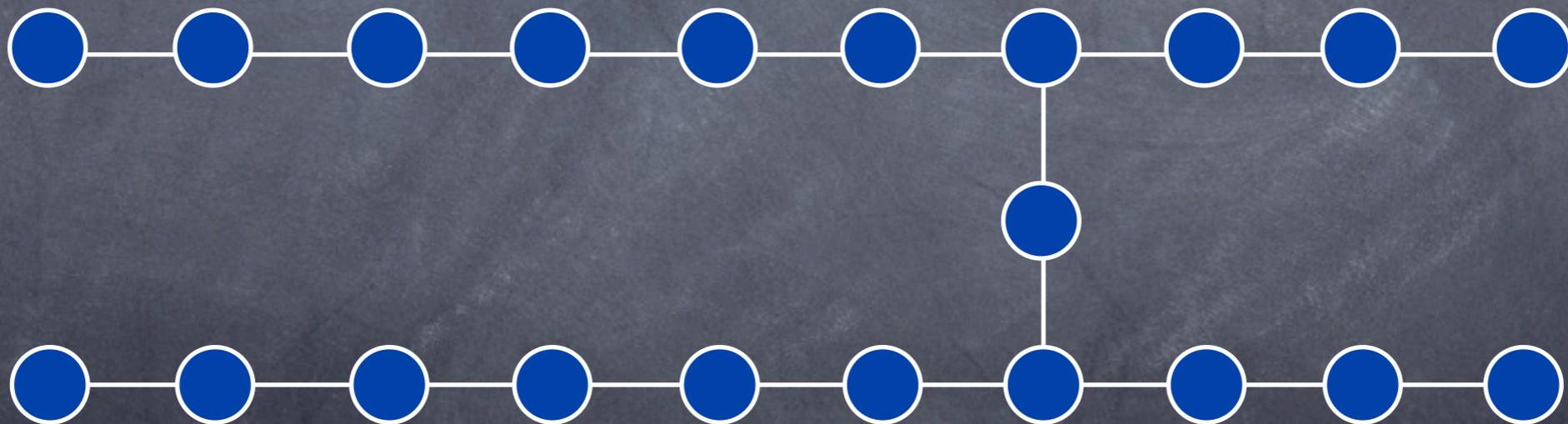
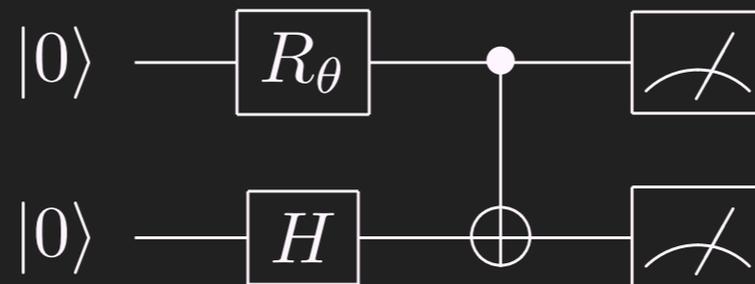
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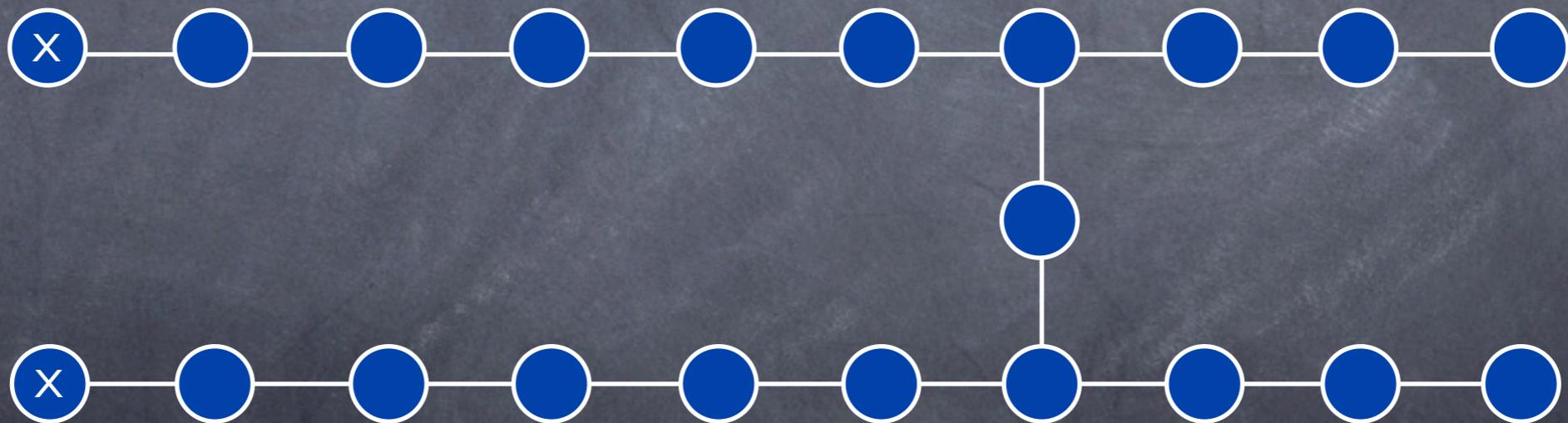
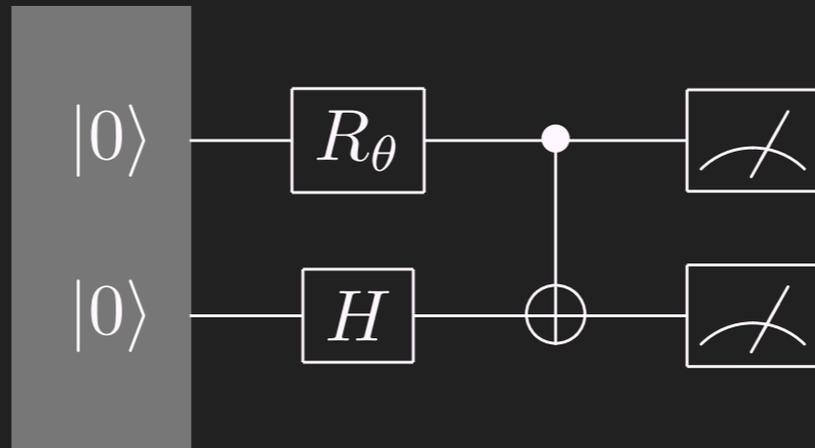
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Create Entangled State

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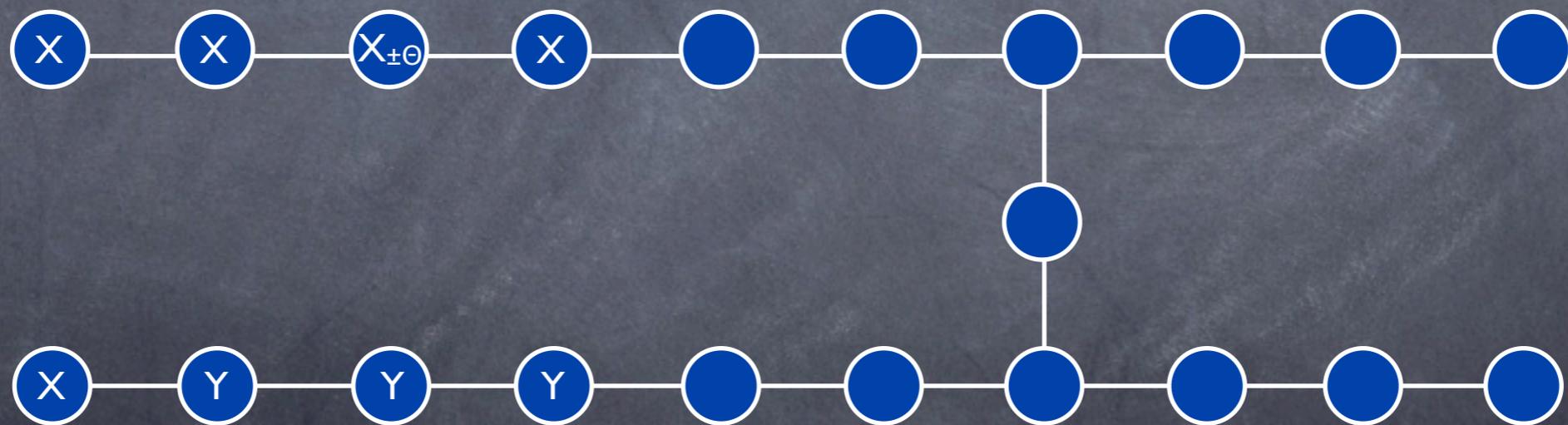
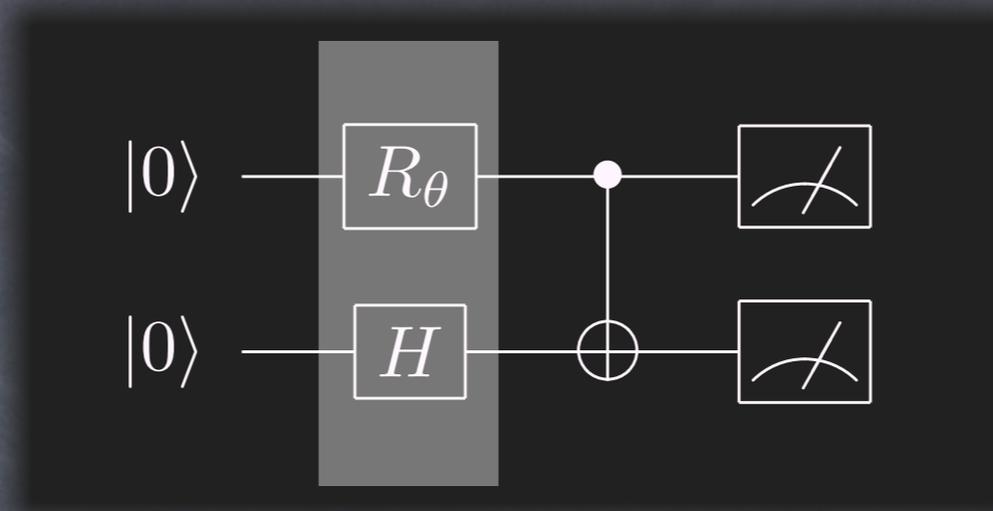
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Adaptively measure to enact circuit

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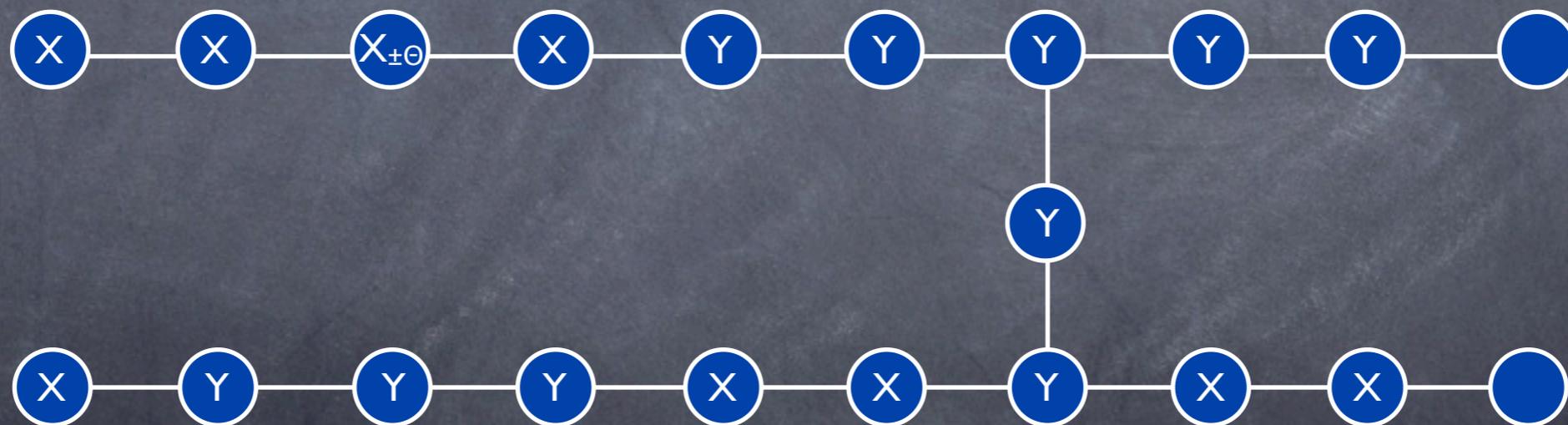
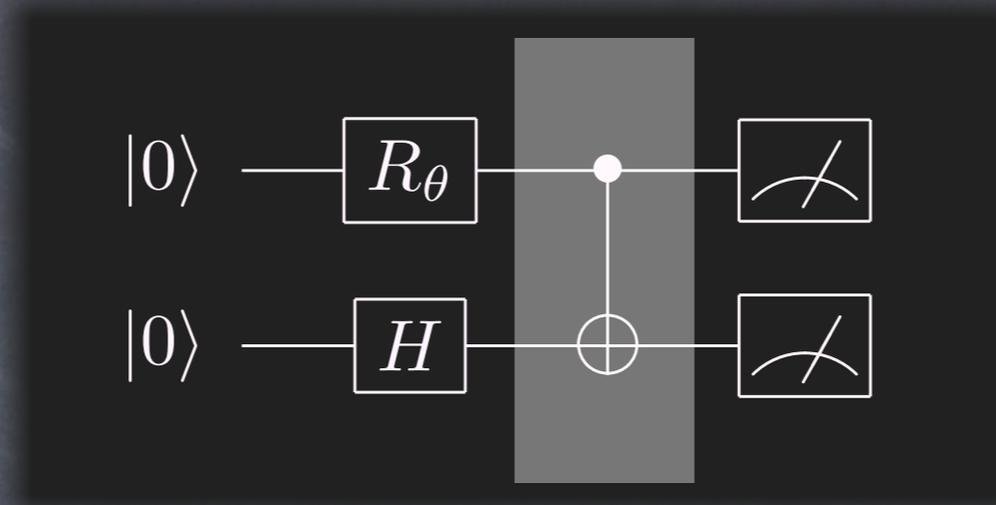
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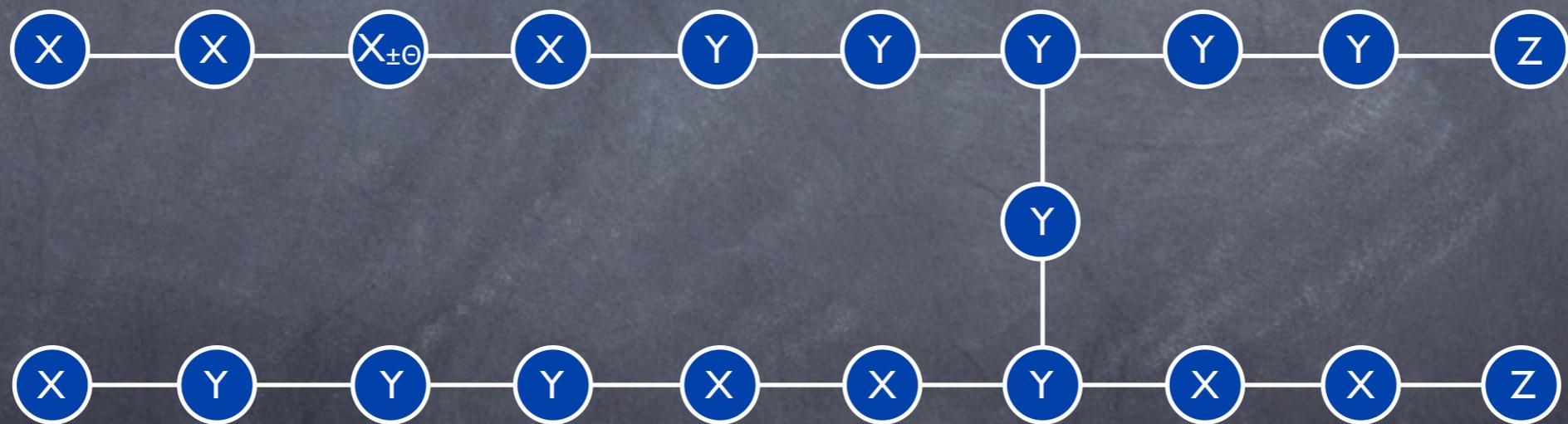
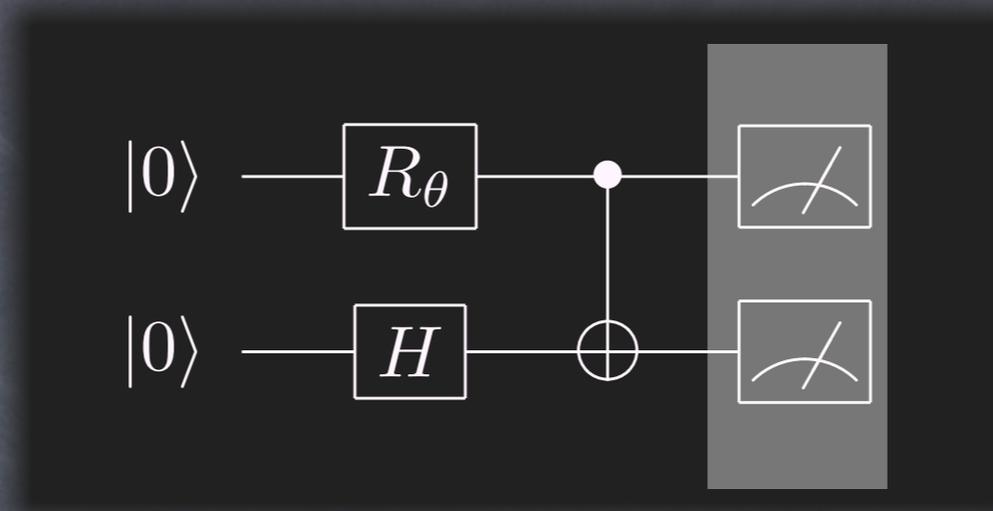
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Adaptively measure to enact circuit

Initial state described locally + measurements are all local

MBQC Wire to Code



Graph state 1D line: common +1 eigenstate of graph state vertex operators

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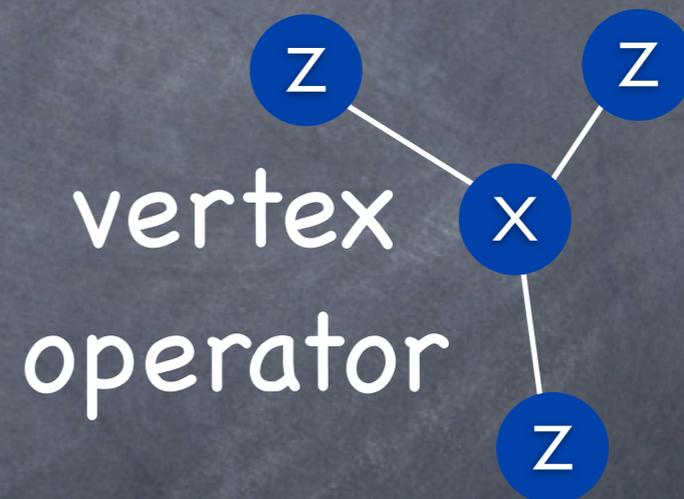
$$S_2 = ZXZI\dots$$

$$S_3 = IZXZ\dots$$

...

$$S_{n-1} = \dots IZXZ$$

$$S_n = \dots IIXZ$$



MBQC Wire to Code



Remove end stabilizer from stabilizer group and promote it to a logical operator

Stabilizer generators

$$~~S_1 = XZII\dots~~$$

$$S_2 = ZXZI\dots$$

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...

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$$S_n = \dots IIXZ$$

Logical operators

$$X_1 = XZIIII, Z_1 = ZIIIII$$

One encoded
distance 1 qubit

Qubit Where?



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Logical operators

$X_1 = XZIIII\dots, Z_1 = ZIIIII\dots$

$S_2 Z_1 = IXZIII\dots$

$S_4 Z_1 = IXIXZI\dots$

modulo stabilizer information
can be accessed across many
different r -local measurements

MBQC Wire to Code



Make S_2 a gauge qubit

Stabilizer generators

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...

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$S_n = \dots IIXZ$

Logical operators

$X_1 = XZII\dots, Z_1 = ZIII\dots$

Gauge operators

$x_1 = XIII\dots, z_1 = ZXZI\dots$

MBQC Wire to Code



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Gauge operators

$$x_1 = XIII\dots, z_1 = ZXZI\dots$$

$$X_1 x_1 = IZII\dots$$

Z_1 moved over a bit..

MBQC Wire to Code



Stabilizer generators

none

Logical operators

$$X_1 = XIXI \dots XIX, \quad Z_1 = IXIX \dots IXZ$$

Modulo gauge operators
localized to last qubit

Gauge operators

Generated by

$$XIII..II, IXII...II, \dots, IIII.,..XI$$

$$ZXZI..II, IZXZ...II, \dots, IIII...ZX$$

MBQC Wire to Code



Stabilizer generators

$$S_1 = XIXI \dots XIX$$

Logical operators

none

Measure S_1 by series
of single qubit X

measurements (gauge)

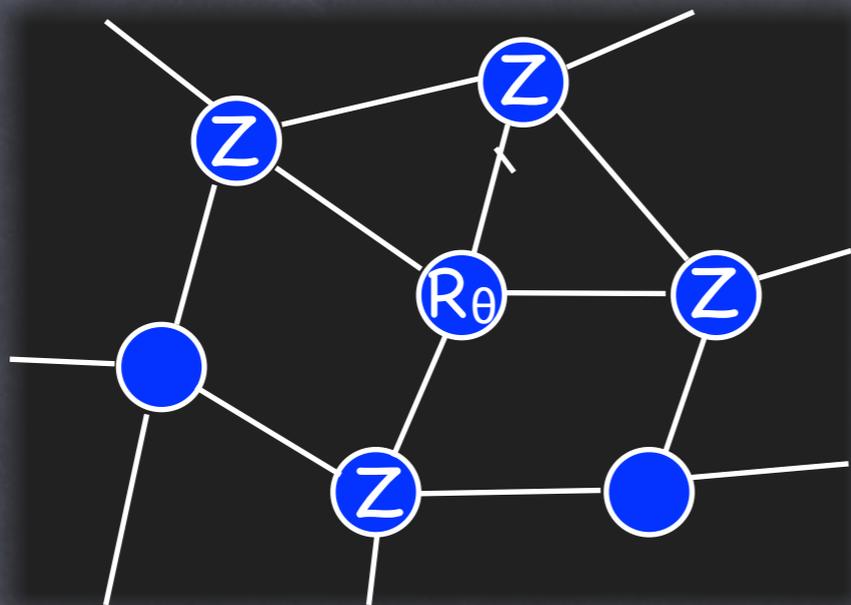
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Twisted Graph State



$$= [R_\theta]_v \prod_{w|(v,w) \in \mathcal{E}} [Z]_w$$

$$R_\theta = \cos \theta X + \sin \theta Y$$

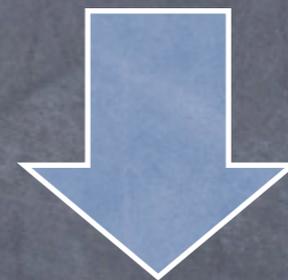
“Vertex operator with angle θ ”

Twisted Graph State: is common +1 eigenstate of all vertex operators (one per vertex)

QC to Twist Graph State

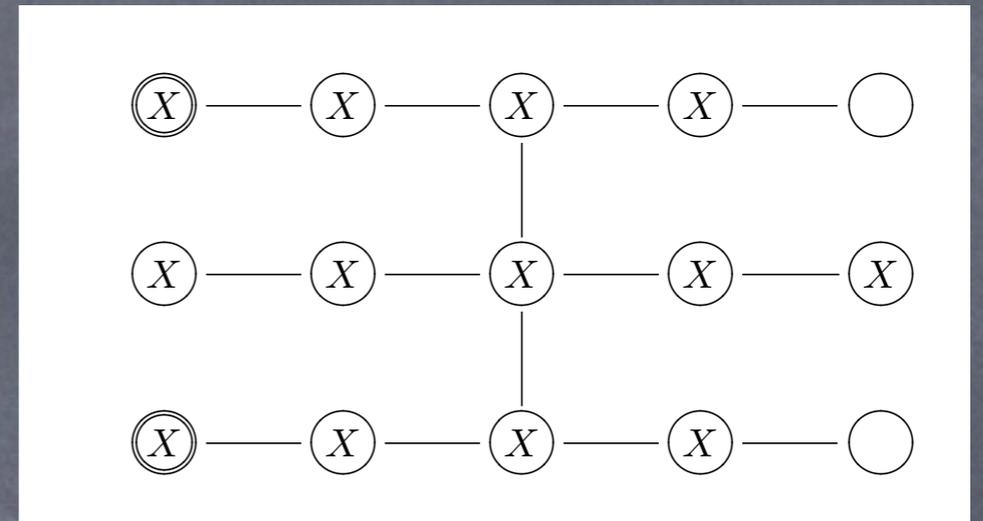
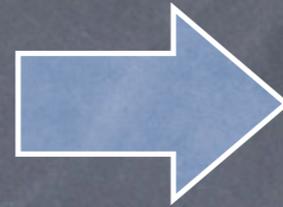
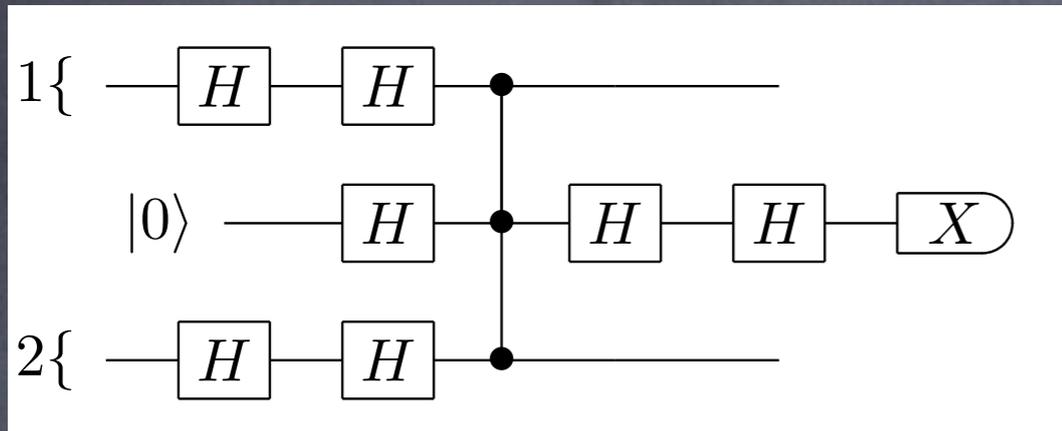
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— H — $R(\theta)$ —	— $(X)^\theta$ —
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Quantum circuit made up of preparations, gates, and measurements

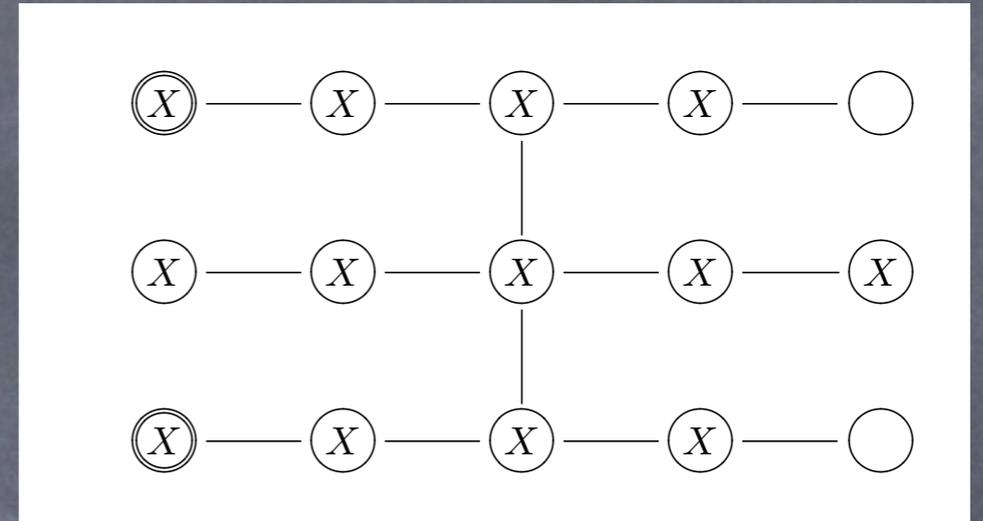
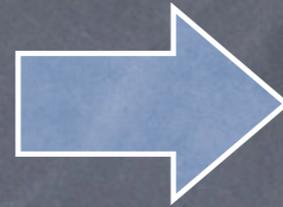
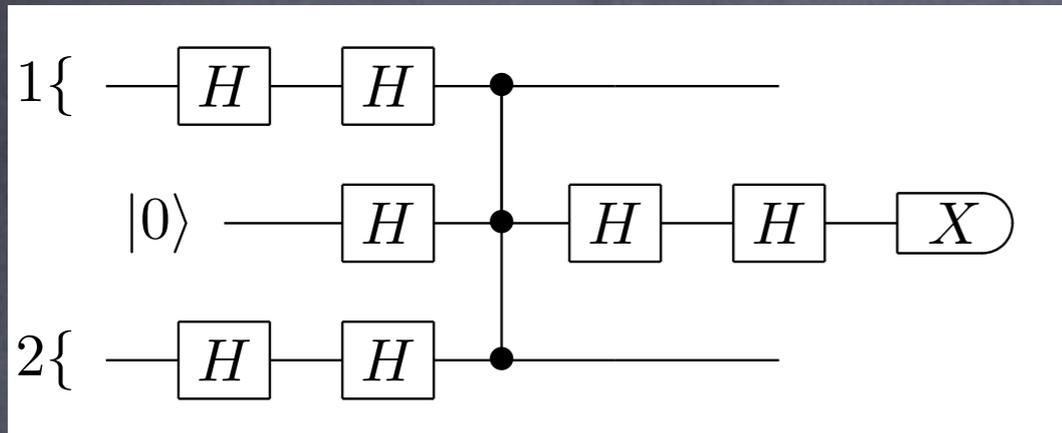


Graph describing vertex operators and places where X measurements would be made to enact MBQC for the quantum circuit

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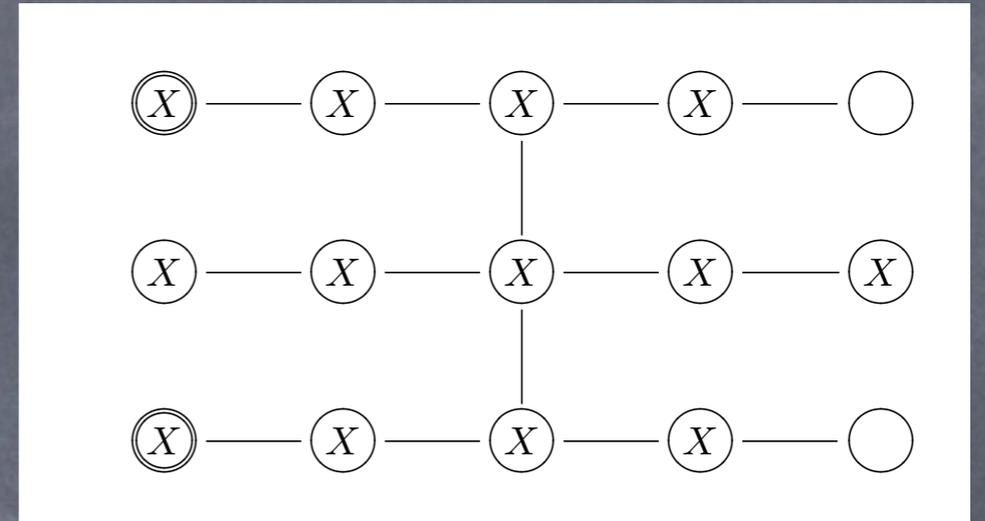
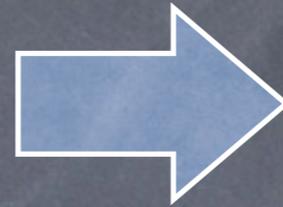
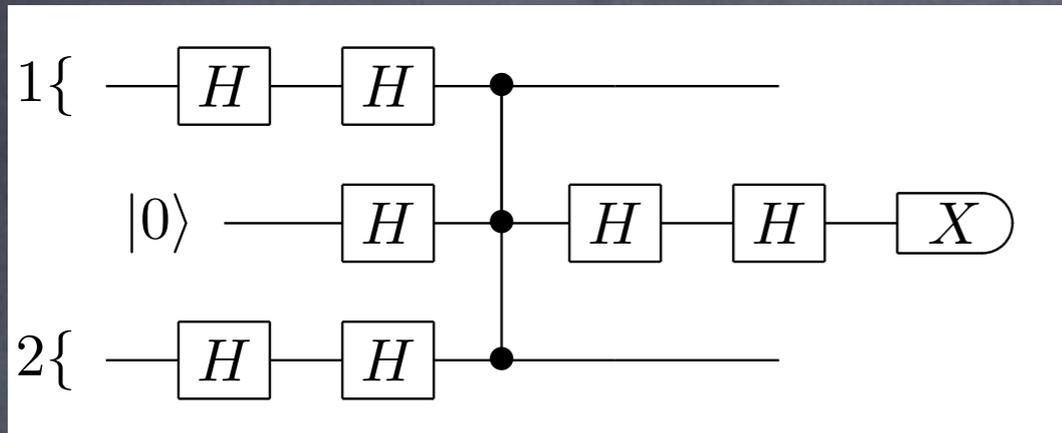


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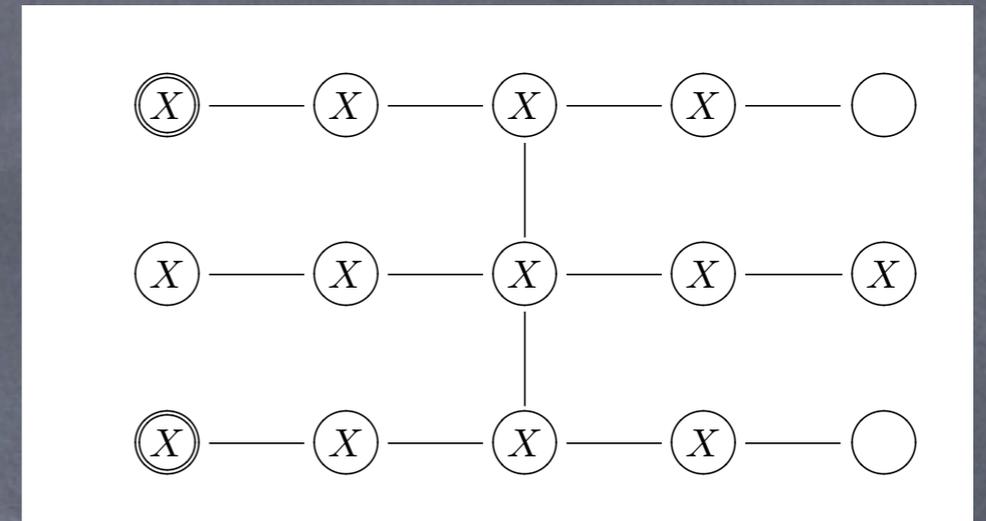
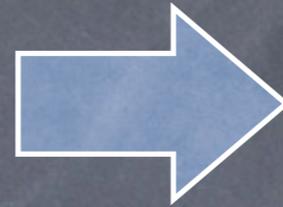
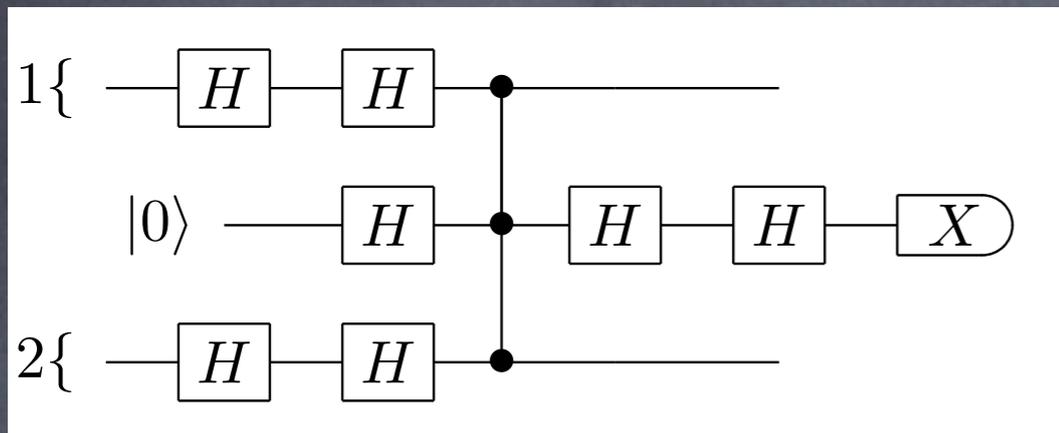
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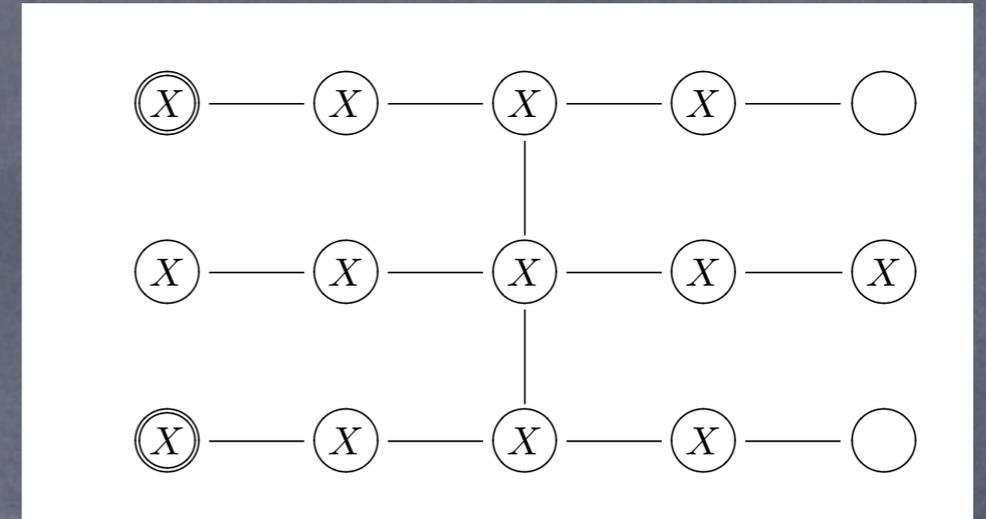
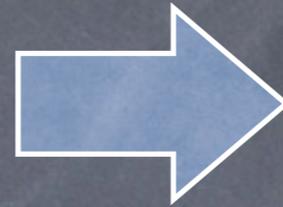
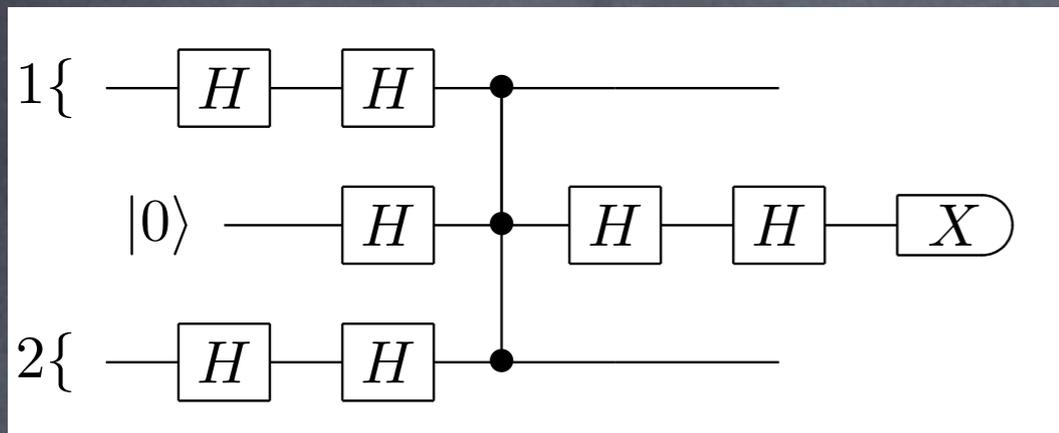
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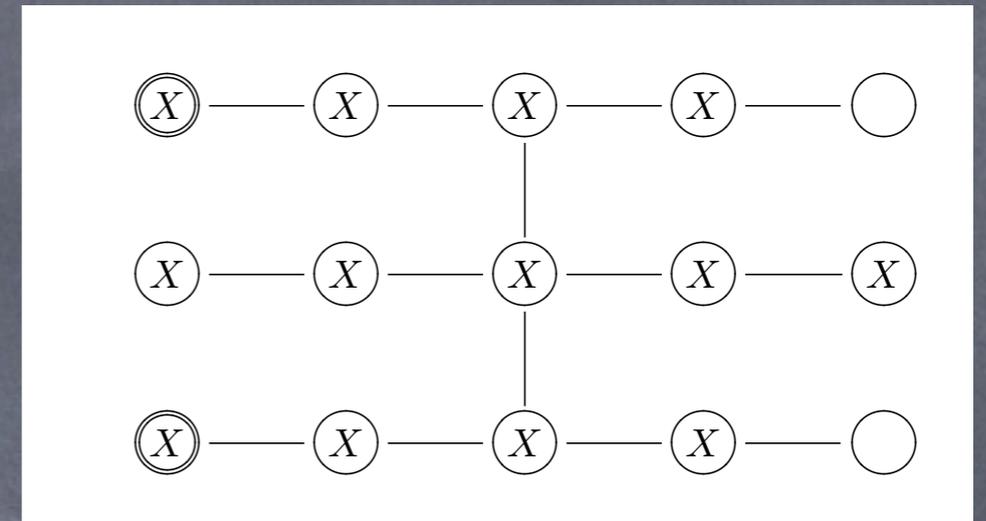
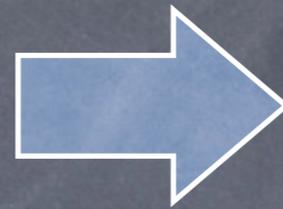
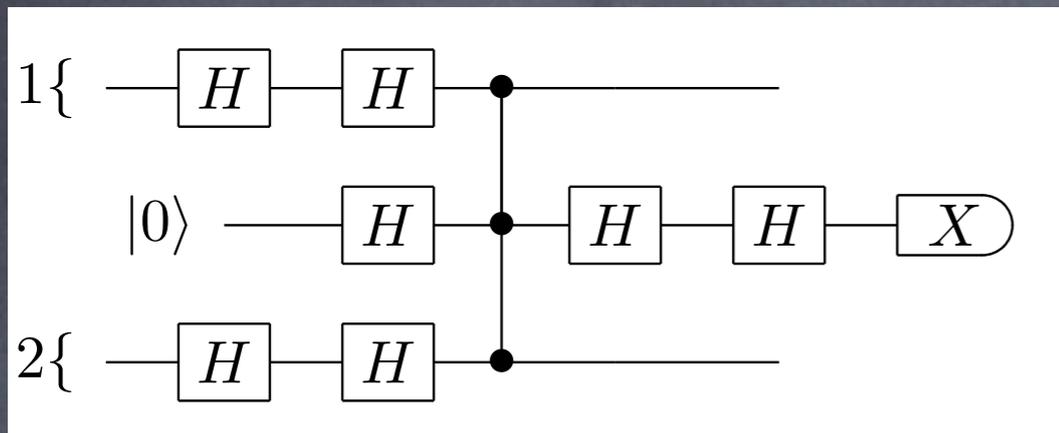
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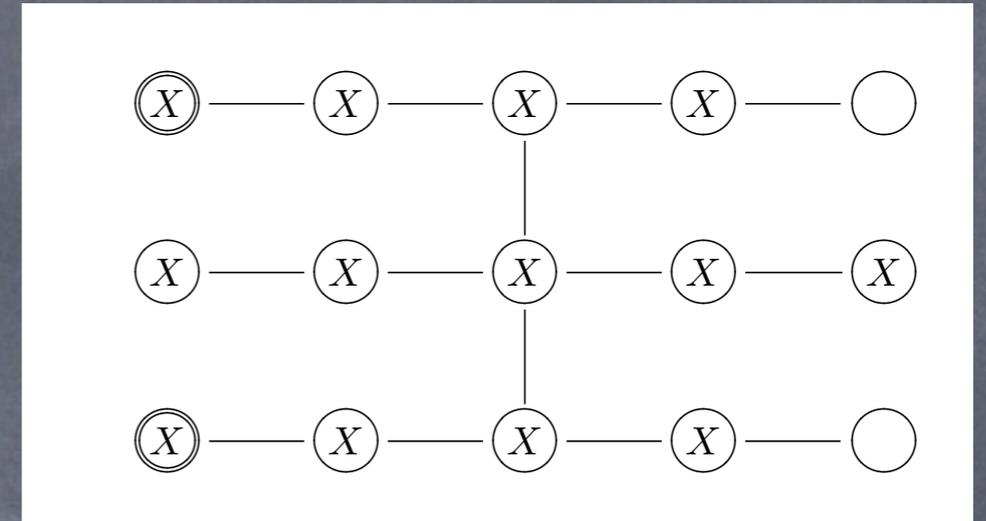
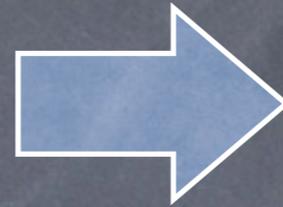
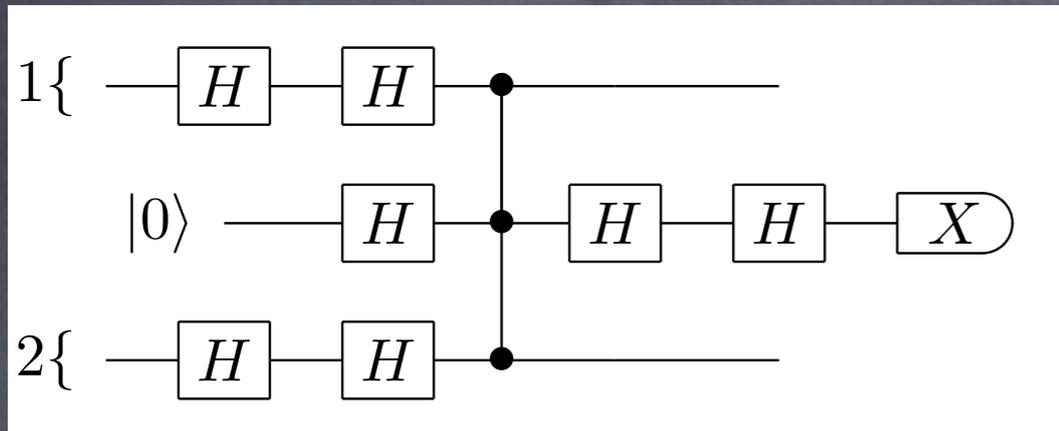
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5. Output measurements at X's, unmeasured output qubits at non-X-ed nodes

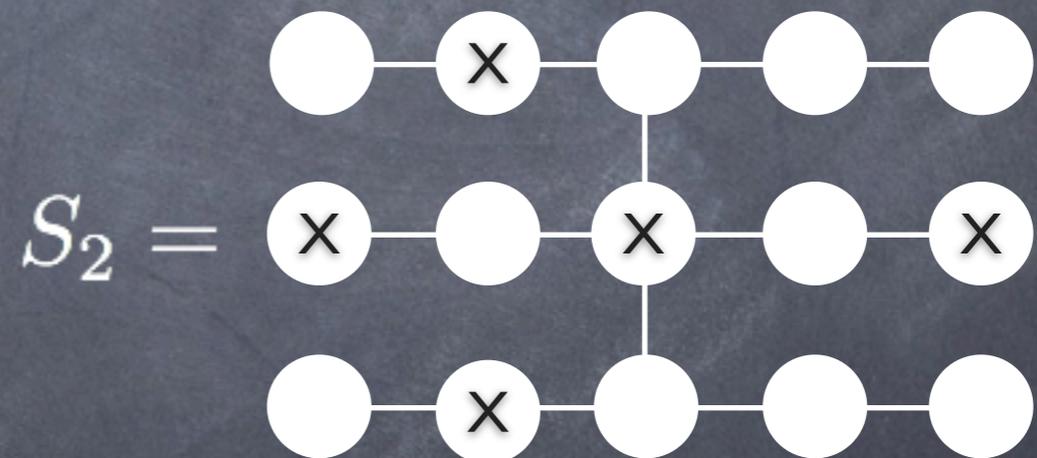
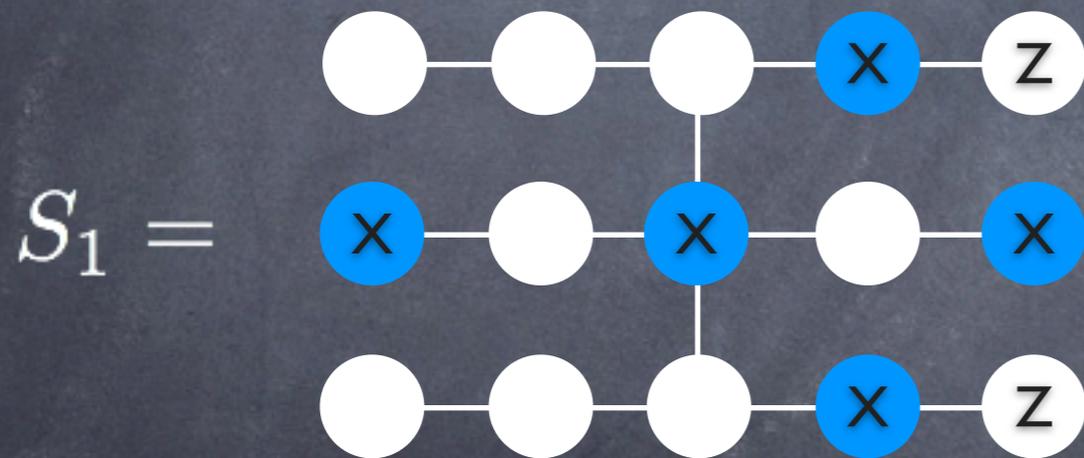
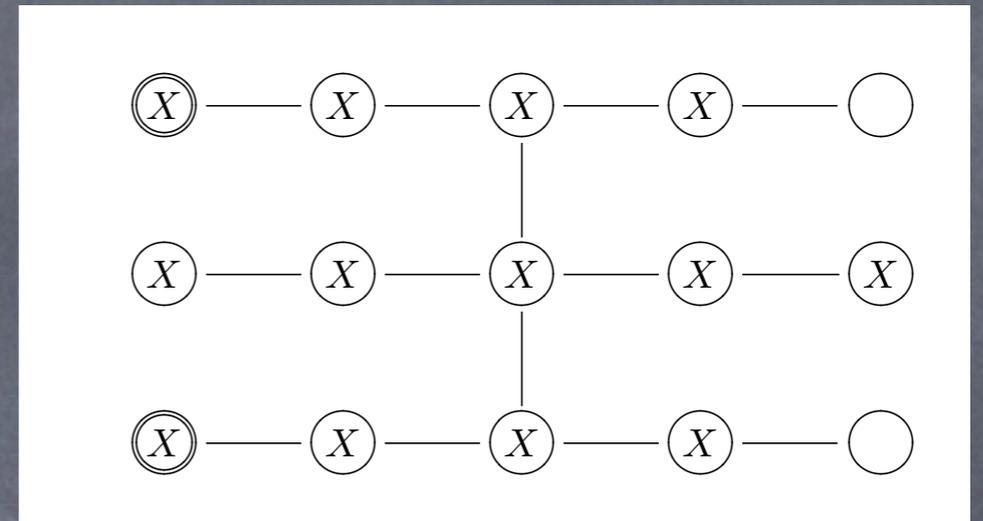
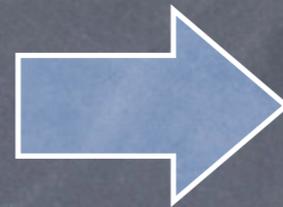
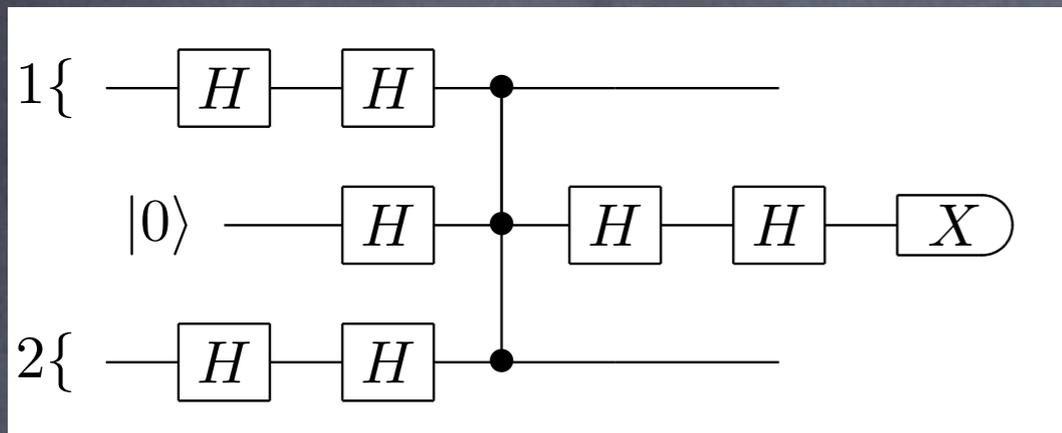
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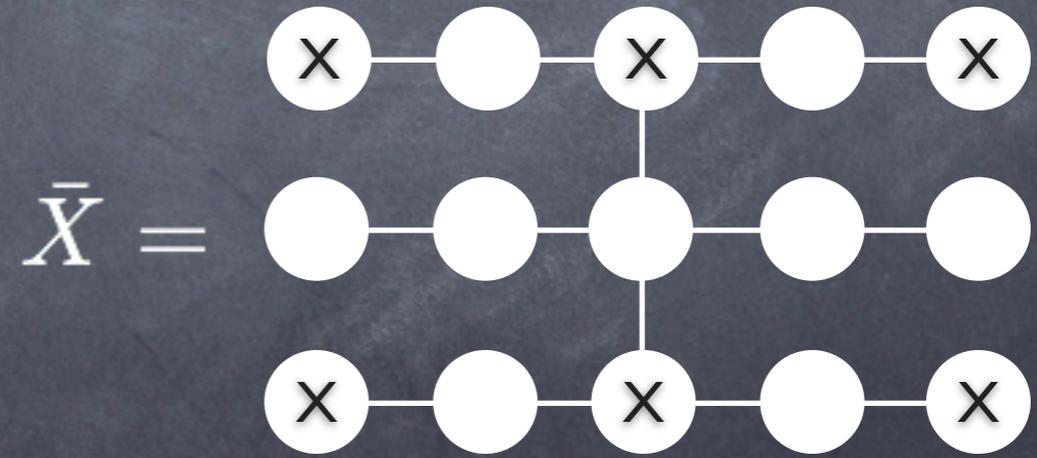
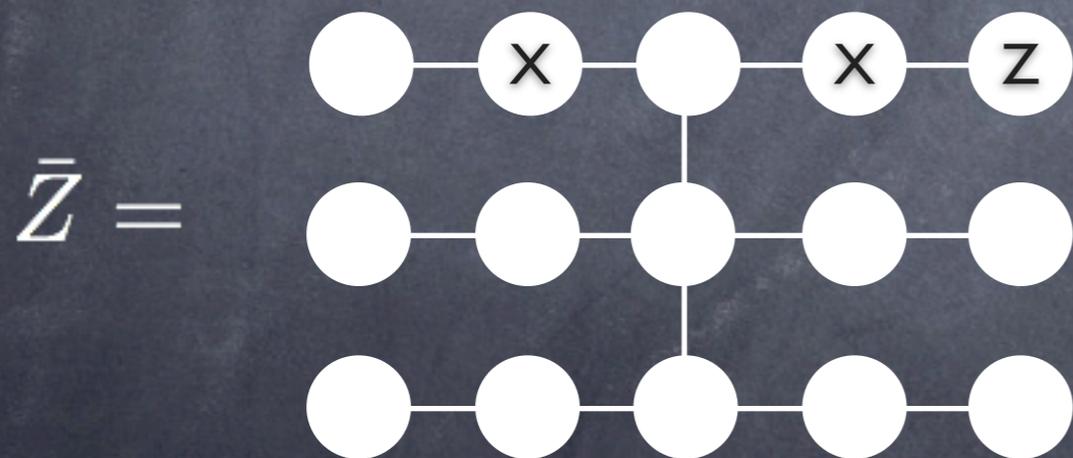
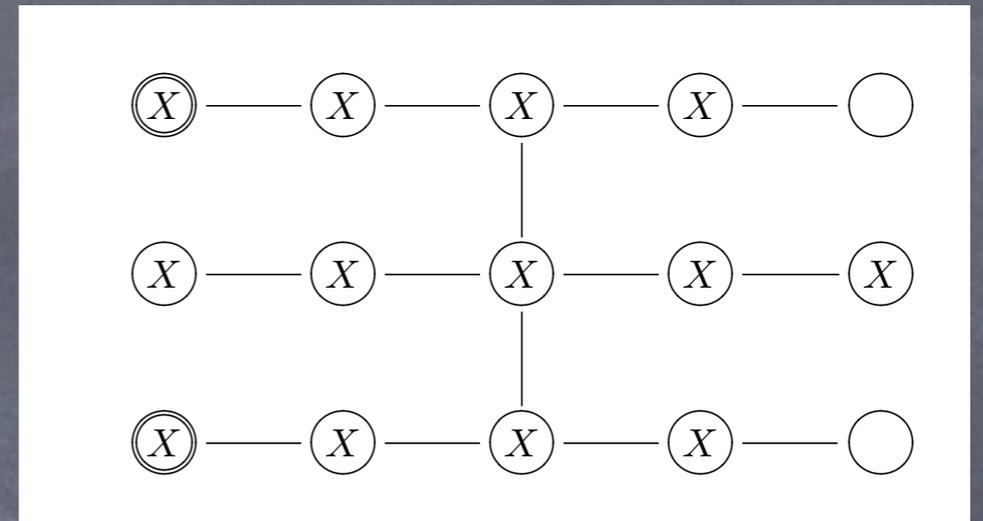
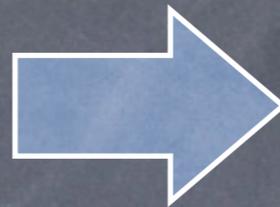
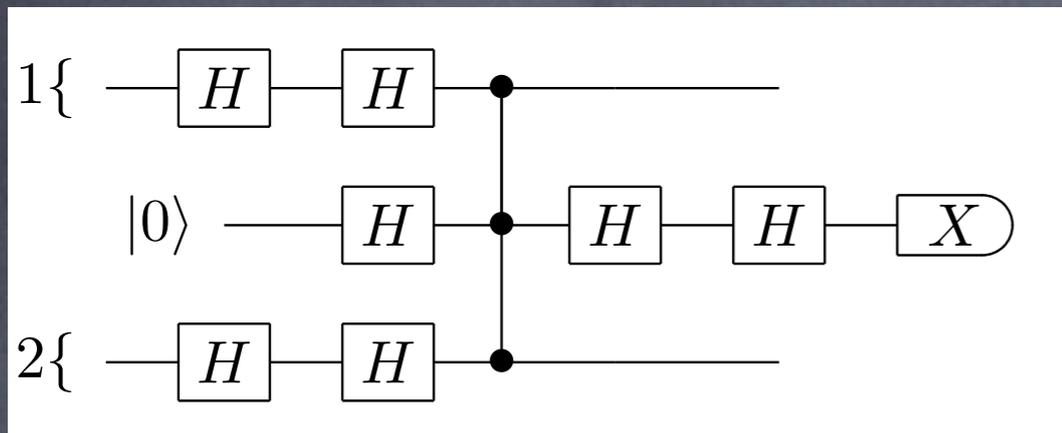
Instead of performing MBQC we can instead consider the code generated by these two sets of operators.

In Action



S_1 measured by measuring blue vertex operators.
 S_2 represents that preparation and measurement coincide.

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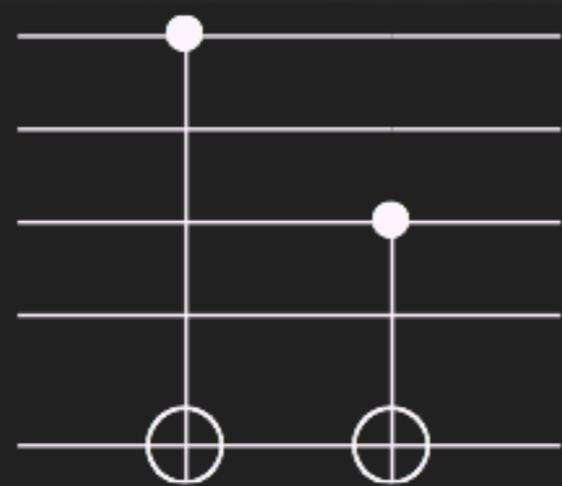


Modulo gauge and stabilizer group logical Z can be made weight 1, but logical X can only be made weight 2

3. Sidebar: Space-Time Neighboring

Any quantum circuit can be made to be neighboring in space-time for any spatial dimension D

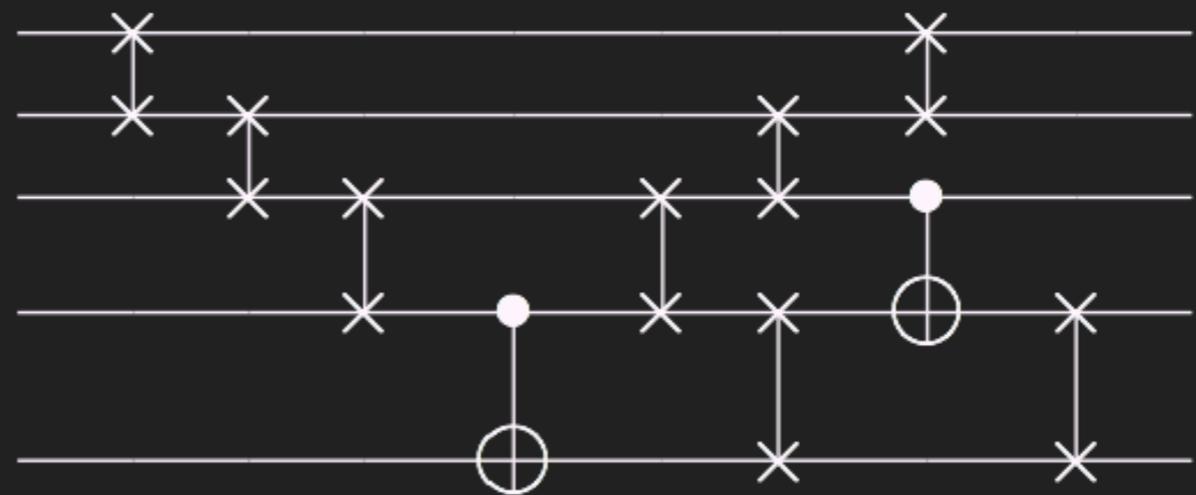
Example in 1D



time

space

\cong



time

space

Space-Time QEC

Fault-tolerant quantum error correction can be done using s -neighboring locality in space-time while maintaining a threshold.

(1D requires next-nearest neighbor gates)

[Aharonov, Ben-Or, arXiv:quant-ph/9906129]

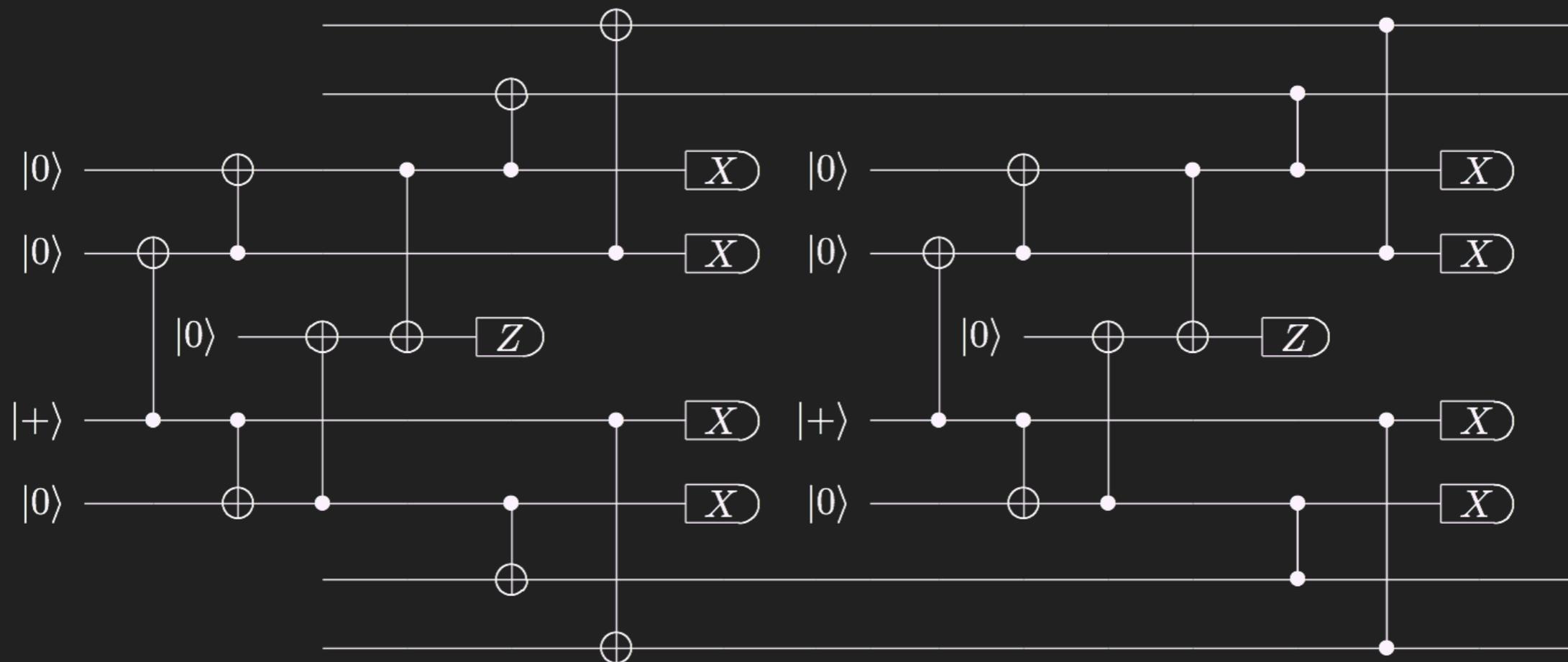
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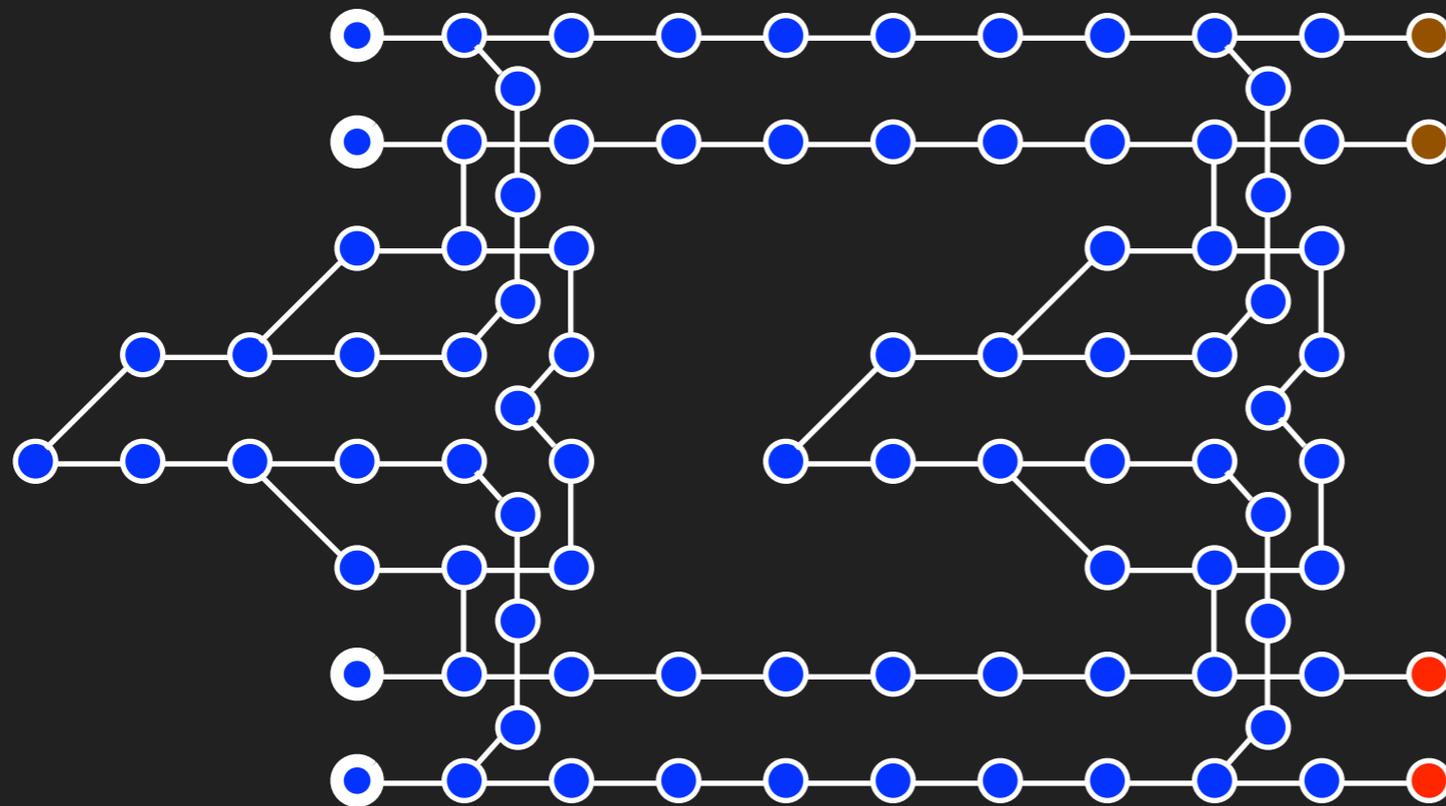
Input: $[[n,k,d]]$ stabilizer code

1. Construct fault-tolerant syndrome measuring quantum circuit that is s -neighboring in space-time on lattice in dimension D ($D > 1$)



CONSTRUCTION

3. Take operators from MBQC construction (vertex operators and X operators for measurements) and identify (a) stabilizer subgroup of these operators and (b) gauge qubits



$X^{\otimes 4}$ and $Z^{\otimes 4}$
stabilizer
localized
on red qubits

Profit

For every $[[n,k,d]]$ stabilizer code, there exists a $[[N,k,r,d]]$ stabilizer subsystem code, $N=O(n^2)$, whose syndrome measurements can be made using s -neighboring measurements (s constant).

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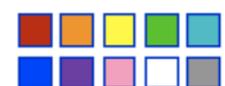
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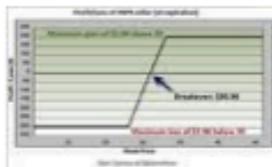
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FAQ

Q: Why fault-tolerant syndrome measuring circuits?

- These maintain the distance of the code

Q: But aren't fault-tolerant circuits probabilistic?

- Often yes. Use the circuit as if the measurement result turned out in your favor

Q: Do these codes have thresholds?

- Unknown, but likely given their relation to fault-tolerant circuits

Q: s -local for what s ?

- Can be made 3-local

Consequences



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