

The spectrum of linear pure quantum [[$n, n - 10, 4$]]-codes

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This principle states that more than one state is present in the system at the same time. Physically a qubit is a two state quantum system, like the electron spin (up and down).

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The conventional assumption was that once one qubit has decohered, the entire computation of the quantum computer is corrupted and the result of the computation will not be correct.

In 1995 **Shor** analyzed the problem of reducing the effects of decoherence for information stored in quantum memory, using the quantum analog of error correcting codes, and presented a procedure to encode a single qubit in nine qubits which can restore the original state if no more than one qubit of a nine-tuple decoheres.

It is an example of $[[9, 1, 3]]$ -code.

Definition

Quantum Code

set of configurations of a certain number of qubits.

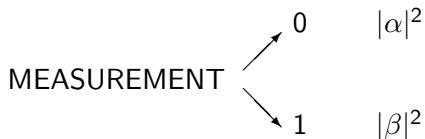
Qubit

$$\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_2(\mathbb{C}),$$

where α and β are complex numbers such that $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 = 1$.

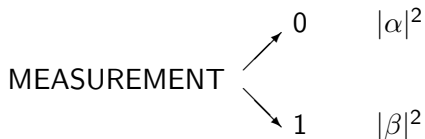
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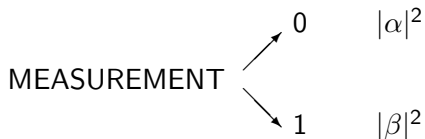
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PAULI MATRICES

$$\mathbb{I} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Identity	\mathbb{I}	$\mathbb{I} a\rangle = a\rangle$
Bit Flip	σ_x	$\sigma_x a\rangle = a \oplus 1\rangle$
Phase Flip	σ_z	$\sigma_z a\rangle = (-1)^a a\rangle$
Bit and Phase Flip	σ_y	$\sigma_y a\rangle = i(-1)^a a \oplus 1\rangle$

ERROR OPERATORS

$$E = (A_1 \otimes \dots \otimes A_n), \quad A_i = \langle B_i^1, \dots, B_i^{l_i} \rangle$$

$$B_i^j \in \{\mathbb{I}, \sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z\}.$$

BASE ERROR OPERATORS

$$E \in \langle B_1^{l_1} \otimes \dots \otimes B_n^{l_n} \rangle, \quad \text{where } l_i = 1, \dots, j_i.$$

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The stabilizer quantum code can correct all the errors of the set \mathcal{E} , s.t.

$$E_a^H E_b \in \mathcal{S} \cup (\mathcal{G} \setminus N(\mathcal{S})) \quad \forall E_a, E_b \in \mathcal{E}$$

$N(\mathcal{S})$: the set of the operators which commute with the elements of \mathcal{S} .

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$$B_i \times B_j = -B_j \times B_i \iff \Phi(T(B_i), T(B_j)) = 1$$

MATRIX OF QUANTUM STABILIZER CODE

$$\begin{pmatrix} P_{1,1}Q_{1,1} & P_{1,2}Q_{1,2} & \dots & P_{1,n}Q_{1,n} \\ P_{2,1}Q_{2,1} & P_{2,2}Q_{2,2} & \dots & P_{2,n}Q_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ P_{n-k,1}Q_{n-k,1} & P_{n-k,2}Q_{n-k,2} & \dots & P_{n-k,n}Q_{n-k,n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{i,j}, Q_{i,j} \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n-k \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

Definition

An additive quaternary code \mathcal{C} is a **quaternary quantum stabilizer code** if

$$\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{C}^\perp$$

The duality is with respect to the symplectic form.

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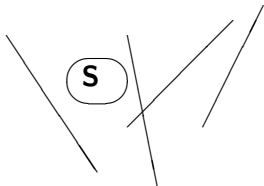
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An $[[n, 0, d]]$ -code \mathcal{C} is a **self-dual** quaternary quantum stabilizer code of **strength** $t = d - 1$.

Theorem

[BFGMP 07-08] *The following are equivalent:*

- ▶ *a $[[n, k, t + 1]]_4$ pure quantum code;*
- ▶ *a set of n lines in $PG(n - k - 1, 2)$:*
 - ▶ *any t of which are in general position*
 - ▶ *for each **secundum** S (subspace of codimension 2) the number of lines which are skew to S is even.*

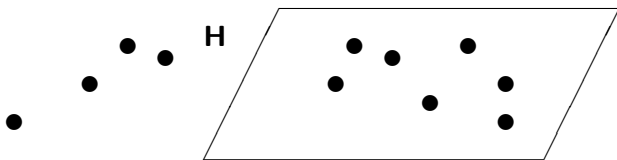


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1. *A pure quantum $[[n, k, d]]$ -code which is linear over $GF(4)$.*
2. *A set of n points in $PG(\frac{n-k}{2} - 1, 4)$ of strength $t = d - 1$, s.t. the intersection size with any hyperplane has the same parity as n .*



3. *An $[n, k]_4$ linear code of strength $t = d - 1$, all of whose weights are even.*

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In 2008 **Tonchev** constructed quantum caps of sizes 10, 12, 14 – 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, starting from the complete 41-quantum cap in $PG(4, 4)$.

It is not difficult to see that this method cannot produce quantum caps of sizes between 36 and 40 in $PG(4, 4)$.

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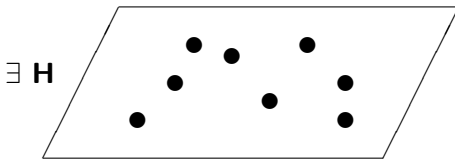
REMARK

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1. An $[n, k, d']_q$ -code with $d' \geq d$.
2. A multiset $\mathcal{M} \subset PG(k-1, q)$:
 - ▶ $|\mathcal{M}| = n$
 - ▶ for every hyperplane $H \subset PG(k-1, q)$ there are at least d points of \mathcal{M} outside H (in the multiset sense).

The smallest size of a complete cap in $PG(3, 7)$, J. Bierbrauer, S. M., F. Pambianco. *Discrete Mathematics* **306** (2006), 1257-1263.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [n, k, d]_4 \\ k = 5 \\ n \geq 19 \end{array} \right. \implies d \leq n - 8$$



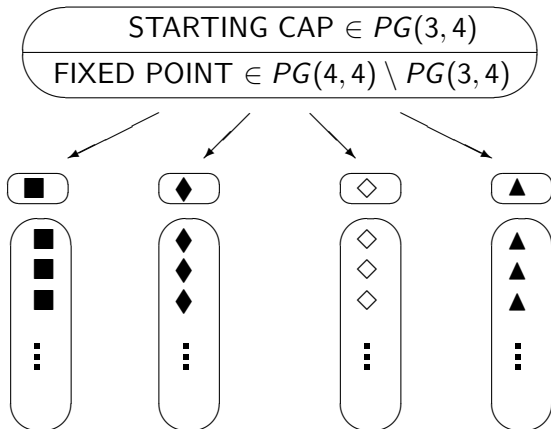
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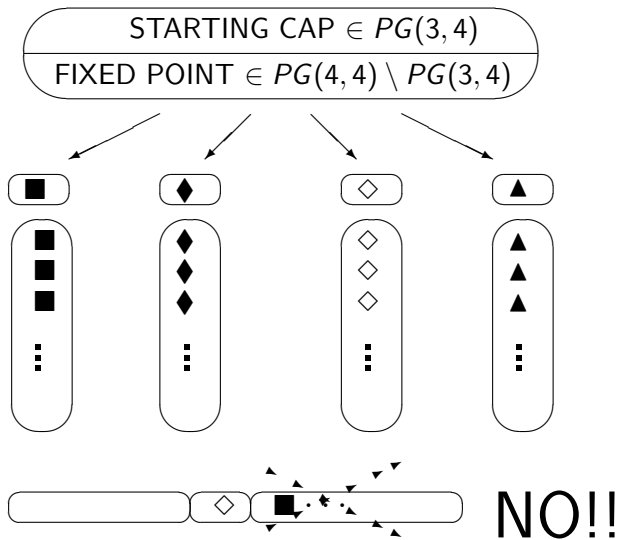
$ \mathcal{K} $	# COMPLETE CAPS	# INCOMPLETE CAPS	CORRESPONDING SIZES IN $PG(4, 4)$
7	0	8	≤ 17
8	0	16	≤ 24
9	0	19	≤ 25
10	1	22	≤ 30
11	0	15	≤ 35
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$\mathcal{K} \subset PG(4, 4)$ complete cap,

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Average execution time extending \mathcal{K} , $10 \leq |\mathcal{K}| \leq 17$

$ \mathcal{K} $	AVERAGE EXECUTION TIME
17	<20''
16	1'
15	2'
14	20'
13	40'
12	1 h 20'
11	4 h
10	8 h

Average execution time extending \mathcal{K} , $|\mathcal{K}| = 8, 9$

$ \mathcal{K} $	AVERAGE EXECUTION TIME
9	29 h
8	6 d

Non-equivalent complete quantum-caps \mathcal{K} in $PG(4, 4)$

Sizes of obtained Caps	Numbers of obtained Caps	Sizes and Types of starting Caps
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Classified quantum caps of size ≤ 12

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