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 $E_g = -gE$ ,  $\forall E = E_a^\dagger E_b$ , then  $\{E_a\}$  can be  
 corrected by code  $C(S)$

proof:  $\forall |\psi\rangle \in C(S)$   
 $\langle \psi | E | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | E_g | \psi \rangle = - \underbrace{\langle \psi | g | \psi \rangle}_{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle} = - \langle \psi | E | \psi \rangle$   
 $0 = \langle \psi | E_a^\dagger E_b | \psi \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \psi | E | \psi \rangle = 0$

## Lecture #5: Stabilizers II

- ① Stabilizer Codes (cm4)
- ② The Normalizer
- ③ The Clifford Group
- ④ Computing on codes
- ⑤ Measurements

Note: PS #2 due 04-MAR

stabilizer  $S \subset \mathcal{G}$  <sup>Pauli group</sup>  
 $X, Y, Z, \pm I, \pm i$

What is the stabilizer for  $|0\rangle$ ?  $S = \langle Z \rangle$

for  $|1\rangle$ :  $S = \langle -Z \rangle$

Today's Question:

- Quantum description of codes?
- Quantum computation on encoded data?

## I/ Stabilizer Codes

Thm Given errors  $\{E_a\} \in \mathcal{G}$  if  $(\exists g \in S$  s.t.  $E_g = -gE)$ , for all  
 $E = E_a^\dagger E_b$ , then  $\{E_a\}$  can be corrected by the code  $C(S)$ .  
 (atb) <sup>Pauli errors</sup>

Def. For  $S = \langle g_1, \dots, g_k \rangle$ , and error  $E$ ,  
the error syndrome is

$$\begin{matrix} \text{k-bit} \\ \text{string} \end{matrix} \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } [g_l, E] = 0 \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad | \quad l=1, \dots, k$$

Ex a)  $S = \langle \overset{g_1}{IZZ}, \overset{g_2}{ZZI} \rangle \quad C(S) = \text{span} \{000, 111\}$

	$E = XII$	error syndrome = $\{01\}$
	$E = IXI$	$\{11\}$
uncorrectable by Thm	$\rightarrow E = XXX$	$\{00\}$
	$E = III$	$\{00\}$

b)  $S = \langle XX \rangle \quad C(S) = \left\{ \frac{00+11}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{01+10}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}$   
 $E = ZI$

if we form  $\begin{cases} IZ \\ ZI, IZ \end{cases}$

$Z_i^+ Z_i = ZZ$   
commute with  $g = XX \rightarrow$  uncorrectable by Thm  
same syndrome

c)  $XZIZ = g_1 \quad C(S) = ?$   
 $ZXZI = g_2 \quad Z = XIIII$   
 $IZXZ = g_3$   
 $ZIZX = g_4 \quad n=4, k=0$

Syndromes:  
4 bits  
~ 16 possibilities

d)  $\begin{cases} IIIXXX = g_1 \\ IXXIIX = g_2 \\ XIXIXI = g_3 \\ IIZZZZ = g_4 \\ IZZIIZ = g_5 \\ ZIZIIZ = g_6 \end{cases}$

$E = XII$   
 $E = IXI$   
 $E = XII$   
there are some  $g$ 's

that anticommutes with  $E$ .

How many possible single qubit errors?

$\binom{4}{1} \cdot 3 + 1 = 13$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $X, Y, Z$  including no error

( $k=3$  Hamming code  $\rightarrow$  CSS)  
'3 qubit Steane code'

$$\begin{aligned}
 e) \quad XZZXI &= g_1 \\
 IXZZX &= g_2 \\
 XIZZX &= g_3 \\
 ZXIXZ &= g_4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 n=5 \\
 k=1
 \end{aligned}$$

single qubit error

	X <sub>1</sub>	Z <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	...
g <sub>1</sub>	0	0	0	1	
g <sub>2</sub>	0	0	1	1	
g <sub>3</sub>	0	1	1	1	...
g <sub>4</sub>	1	0	1	1	

unique

error syndrome : 16 possibilities  
 errors :  $\binom{5}{1} \cdot 3 + 1 = 16$  ) "perfect code"

$$f) |0\rangle = \frac{|0\rangle + |10\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad |1\rangle = |11\rangle$$

$$S = ?$$

$$XX|11\rangle = |00\rangle \quad \times$$

$$ZZ|00\rangle = -|00\rangle \quad \times$$

## II/ The Normalizer

$$\text{Unitary ops } |\psi\rangle \xrightarrow{u} u|\psi\rangle$$

$$\text{stabilizer } S \xrightarrow{u} uSu^\dagger$$

$$g \in S \xrightarrow{u} ugu^\dagger$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{because } u|\psi\rangle &= ugu^\dagger|\psi\rangle \\
 &= ugu^\dagger u|\psi\rangle \\
 &= (ugu^\dagger)(u|\psi\rangle)
 \end{aligned}$$

Def - The Normalizer of S

$$\text{is } N(S) = \{g \in G \mid ghg^\dagger \in S, \forall h \in S\}$$

↑  
Pauli group

Lemma  $N(S) = \{g \in G \mid [g, h] = 0, \forall h \in S\}$

Proof Recall : either  $gh = hg$  or  $gh = -hg$ ,  $\forall g, h \in G$

$$\text{Thus } ghg^\dagger = \pm gg^\dagger h = \pm h$$

Recall  $-I \notin S$ , therefore  $ghg^t \neq -h$

$$\Rightarrow ghg^t = h \equiv hgg^t$$

$$\Rightarrow [h, g] = 0$$

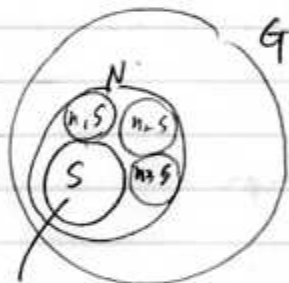
Ex a)  $S = \langle IZ, ZI \rangle$

$$N(S) = \{ZZ, II, IZ, ZI\}$$

b)  $S = \langle XX \rangle$

$$N(S) = \{IX, XI, ZZ, YY, YZ, \dots\}$$

c)  $S = \langle IXX, IZZ \rangle$   $N(S) = \{ZZZZ, ZII \stackrel{= \bar{Z}}{\leftarrow}, XXX, XII \stackrel{= \bar{X}}{\leftarrow}\}$



$$\langle IZZ, ZZI \rangle = S$$

$$N(S) = XXX, \dots$$

Def.  $\rightarrow g \in S$   
 $wt(g) = \#$  of mm I's

Def. A code  $C(S)$  has distance  $d$  if  $N(S) - S$  has no elements of  $wt < d$

Def. If  $S$  has elements of  $wt < d$  (except  $I$ ) then  $C(S)$  is degenerate otherwise  $C(S)$  is non-degenerate

### III / The Clifford Group

What is the Normalizer of the Pauli group  $G$ ?  
"generalized"

Ex  $N(G)$   
↑  
{X, Y, Z}

I	X	Y	Z	H	S
X	X	-X	-X	Z	Y
Y	-Y	Y	-Y	-Y	X
Z	Z	Z	Z	X	Z

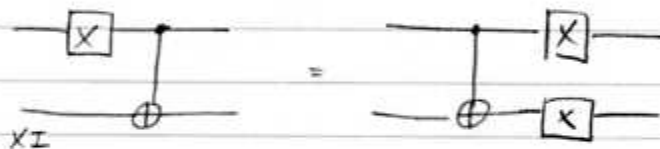
$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{Z}$$

$\langle H, S \rangle$   $S^2 = Z$   
 $HZH = X$   
 $XZ = -iY$

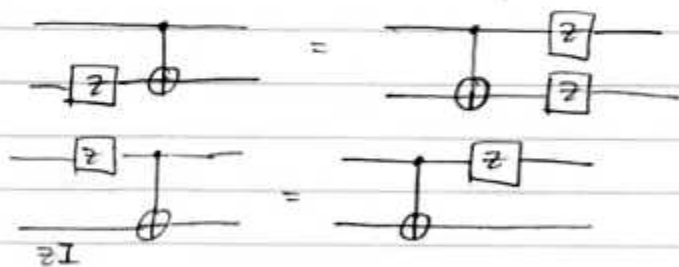
Define  $\langle H, S \rangle =$  Clifford group on 1 qubit

$N(G_2) = ?$

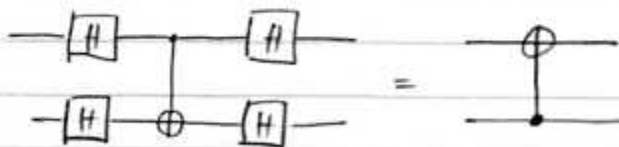
$XX \rightarrow YZ$   
 $IY$   
 $\vdots$



II	CNOT
XI	XX
IX	IX
XX	XI
IZ	ZI
ZI	IZ
ZZ	ZI



Recall



Def.  $C_2 \equiv$  Clifford group  
 $= \langle H, S, \text{CNOT} \rangle$   
 Is the  $N(G_2)$

Thm (Gottesman - Knill)

1) Suppose  $UgU^\dagger \in \mathcal{G}_n$ ,  $\forall g \in \mathcal{G}_n$

then  $U$  can be constructed from  $O(n^2)$  H, S, CNOT gates  
(up to  $e^{i\theta}$ )

2) Any quantum circuit

composed of H, S, CNOT, acting on an input  $|0\rangle^{\otimes n}$   
and with meas. in the computational basis

+ classical control, can be efficiently simulated  
on a classical computer!

