



Noise robustness and threshold of many-body quantum magic

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- Noise robustness and threshold of magic
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- Result 2. Local magic and magic threshold
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Background

- Why quantum computing is potentially more powerful than classical computing?
 - “Magic”, a source of quantum computational advantages
- Noise can significantly undermine the resource features of quantum systems.
 - Noisy intermediate-scale quantum (NISQ) technologies
 - Quantum error correction
 - Has been investigated for features like computational supremacy, entanglement ...

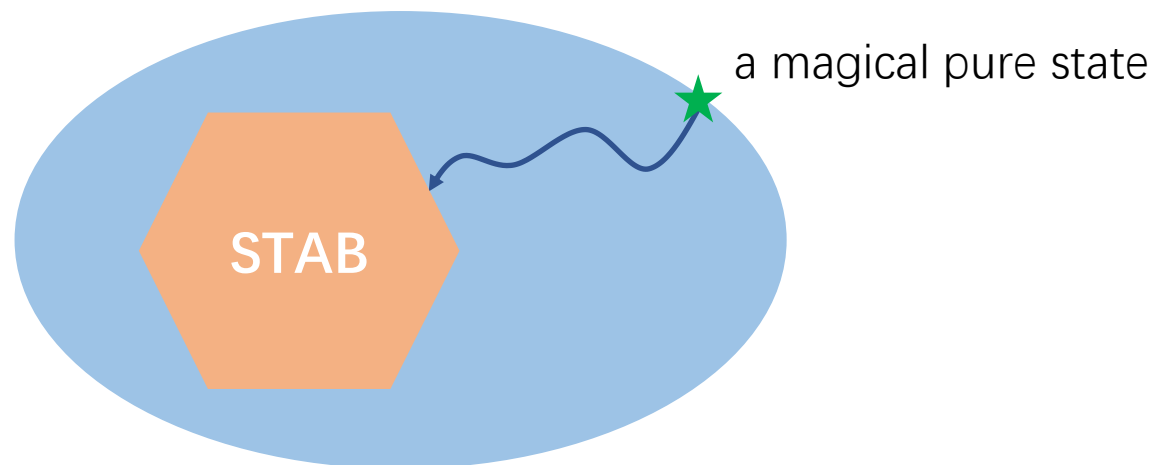
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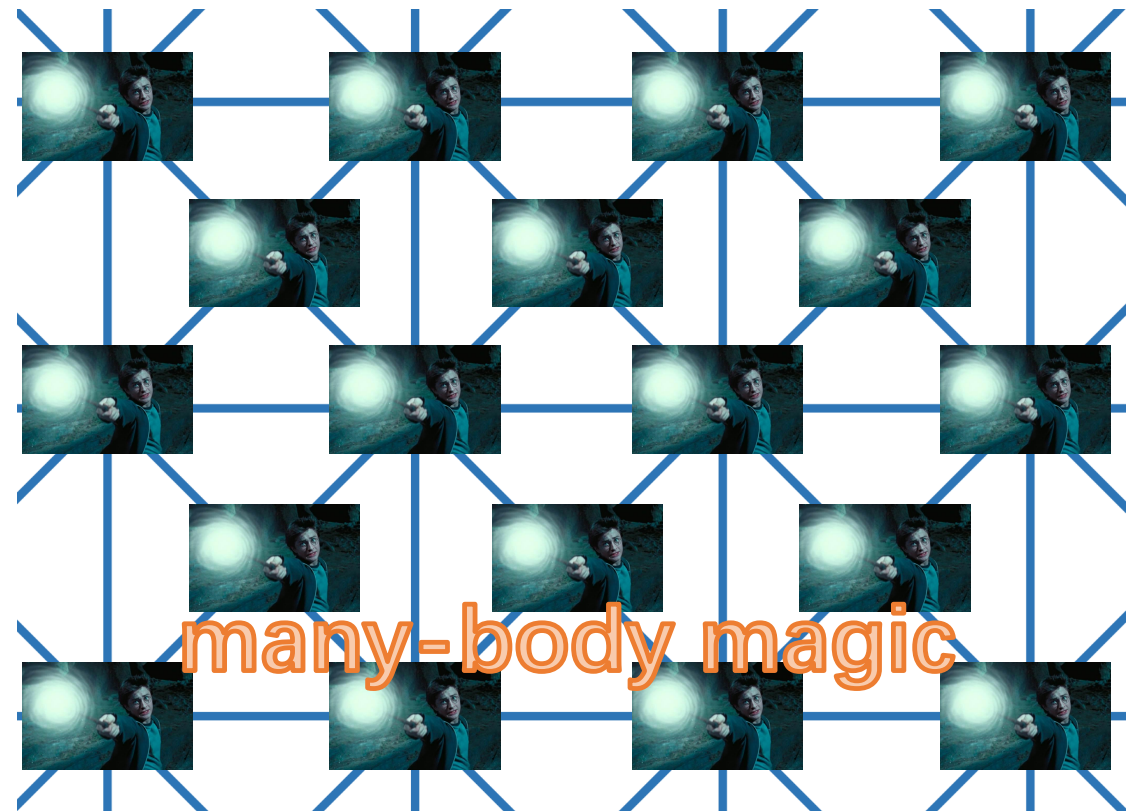
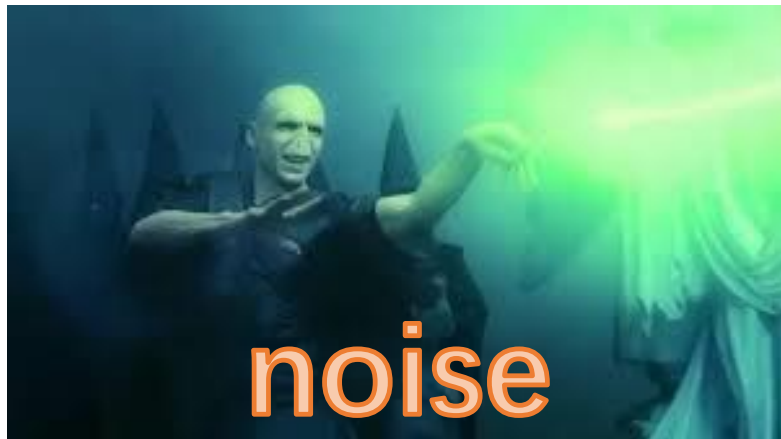


Background

- How noise effects impact magic?
- Noise drives pure states to mixed ones, and as it intensifies, the magic gradually decays and eventually vanishes at a certain point as the state is brought inside the stabilizer hull.



- How noise effects impact magic in large systems with different entanglement structures?
- Generates insights into
 - Interplay between magic and entanglement
 - Design of circuits
 - ...



Preliminaries

- A neat yet highly versatile model for entangled magic states: **hypergraph states**.
 - many-body physics
 - measurement-based quantum computing (MBQC)
- Also provide an apt playground for concretely investigating the relation between entanglement structures and **magic** properties

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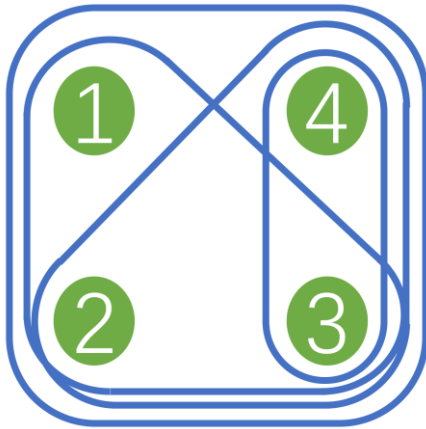
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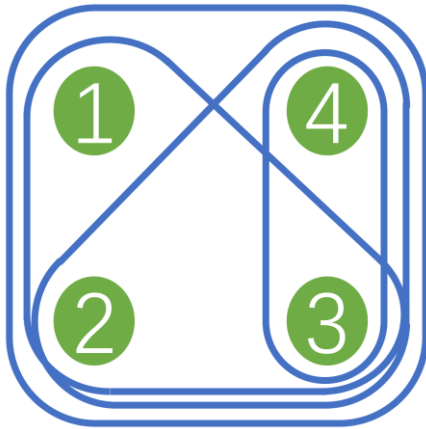


$$E = \{\{3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\}$$

$$|\Psi_G\rangle = CZ_{34}CCZ_{123}CCZ_{234}CCZ_{1234}|+^4\rangle$$

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Let $C^{n-1}Z = \text{diag}(1, \dots, 1, -1)$ denote the multi-controlled- Z gate on n -qubits, with $C^0Z = Z$.

Given a hypergraph $G = \{[n], E\}$, where $[n] := \{1, \dots, n\}$ is the set of vertices and $E \subset 2^{[n]}$ is the set of hyperedges, an associated hypergraph state is defined by

$$|\Psi_G\rangle = \prod_{e \in E} C^{|e|-1} Z_e |+\rangle^{\otimes n},$$

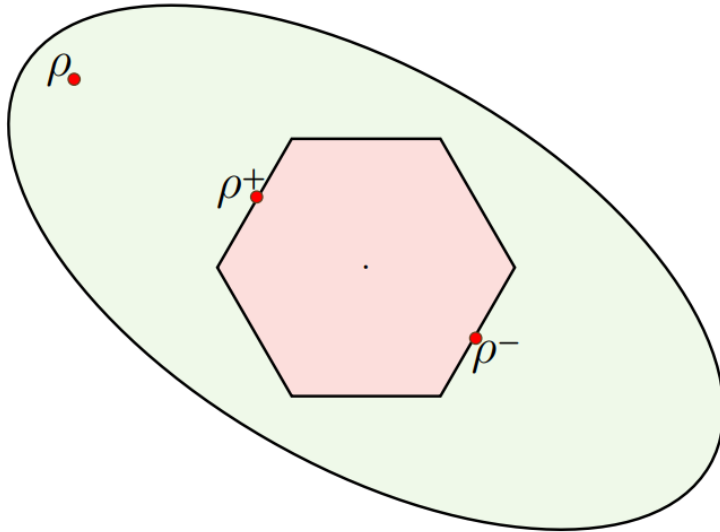
where $C^{|e|-1}Z_e$ is the multi-controlled- Z gate applied to the qubits in $e \subset [n]$.

The number of vertices contained in an edge e is referred to as the **degree** of the edge.

Preliminaries

- Magic measure for mixed states: **robustness of magic (RoM)**

$$\mathcal{R}(\rho) = \min_{\rho^+, \rho^- \in \text{STAB}_n} \{2a + 1 \mid \rho = (a + 1)\rho^+ - a\rho^-, a \geq 0\}$$

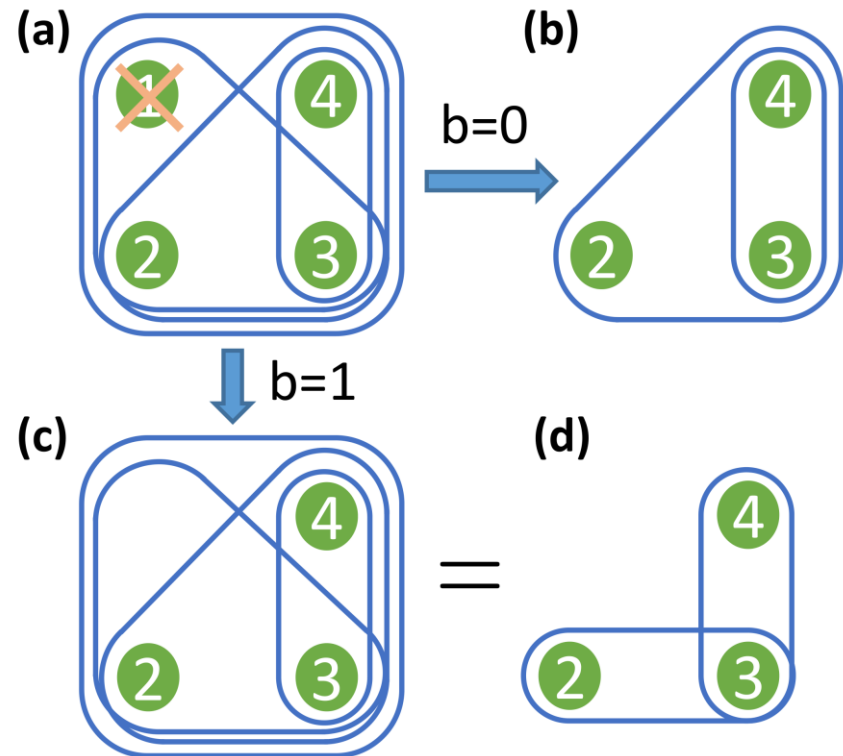


1. $\mathcal{R}(\cdot)$ is faithful, i.e., $\mathcal{R}(\sigma) = 1$ iff $\sigma \in \text{STAB}$;
2. For all trace-preserving stabilizer channels \mathcal{E} , we have $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}(\rho)) \leq \mathcal{R}(\rho)$;
3. $\mathcal{R}(\sigma \otimes \rho) = \mathcal{R}(\rho)$ for $\sigma \in \text{STAB}$;
4. For a set of states $\{\rho_k\}$ and a set of real numbers $\{p_k\}$ satisfying $\sum_k p_k = 1$, the *convexity* of $\mathcal{R}(\cdot)$ implies that $\mathcal{R}(\sum_k p_k \rho_k) \leq \sum_k |p_k| \mathcal{R}(\rho_k)$;
5. Classical simulation overhead: $\mathcal{R}(\rho)^2$.

Noise robustness and threshold of magic

- Consider the n -qubit independent depolarizing noise

$$\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n} = ((1 - \lambda)\mathcal{I} + \lambda\mathcal{G})^{\otimes n}, \text{ where } \mathcal{G}(\sigma) = \text{Tr}(\sigma)\mathbb{I}_2/2.$$



For an n -qubit hypergraph state $\Psi := |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$, and a subset of qubits $I \subset [n]$, consider tracing out the qubits in I . We have

$$\text{Tr}_I(\Psi) = \frac{1}{2^{|I|}} \sum_{\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_2^{|I|}} \Psi^{(I, \mathbf{b})}, \quad (1)$$

where $\Psi^{(I, \mathbf{b})}$ are $(n - |I|)$ -qubit hypergraph states obtained by removing vertices and edges from Ψ .

Noise robustness and threshold of magic

- The decay profile of magic: $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\rho))$
- The magic noise threshold above which the magic is eliminated.

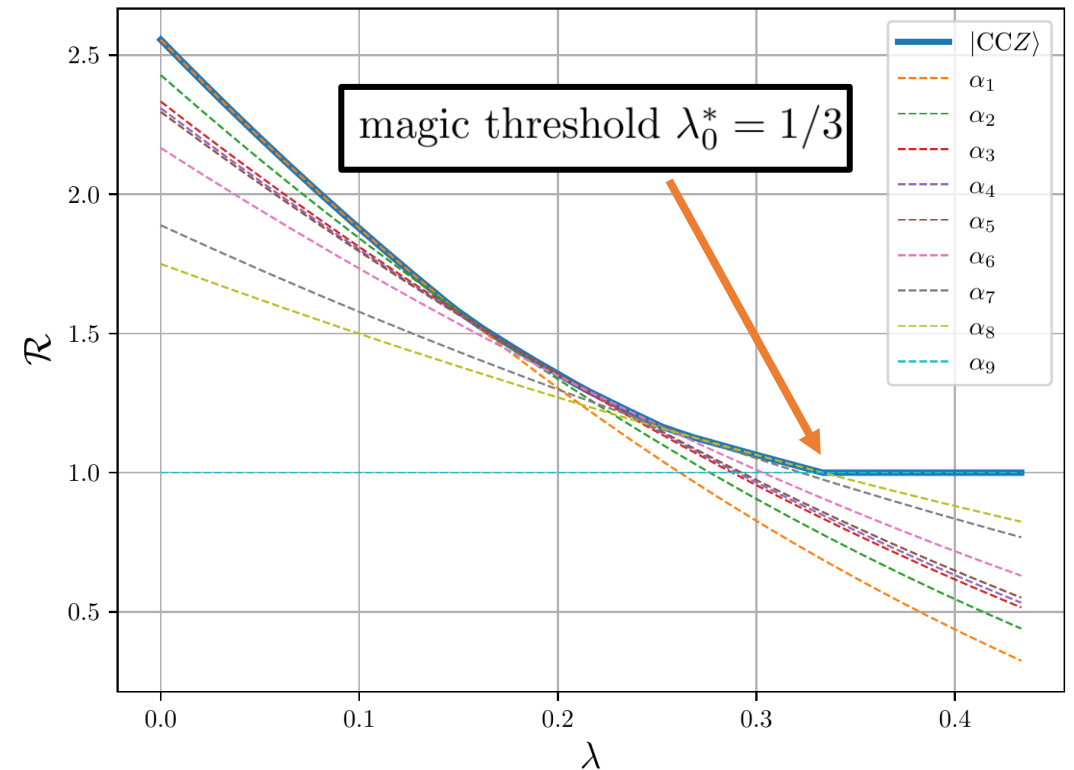
Definition 1. For a state ρ and $\epsilon \geq 0$, we call $\lambda_\epsilon^*(\rho) := \inf_{\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\rho)) \leq 1+\epsilon} \lambda$ the *ϵ -magic noise threshold*. For a family of states $\{\rho_n\}$ where ρ_n is an n -qubit state, if for a fixed $\epsilon \geq 0$ we have $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_\epsilon^*(\rho_n) > 0$, we say $\{\rho_n\}$ has a *non-vanishing magic threshold*.

Noise robustness and threshold of magic

- Warm up example: $\Phi = |\text{CCZ}\rangle\langle\text{CCZ}|$, where $|\text{CCZ}\rangle := \text{CCZ}|+\rangle^3$

$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Phi)) = \max_{1 \leq j \leq 9} \alpha_j(\lambda)$, where $\alpha_j(\lambda) = \text{Tr}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes 3}(\Phi)A_j)$ are polynomials in λ with degree at most 3, with A_j some Hermitian matrices.

- Computing the decay profile for $n > 5$ is hard in general.



Noise robustness and threshold of magic

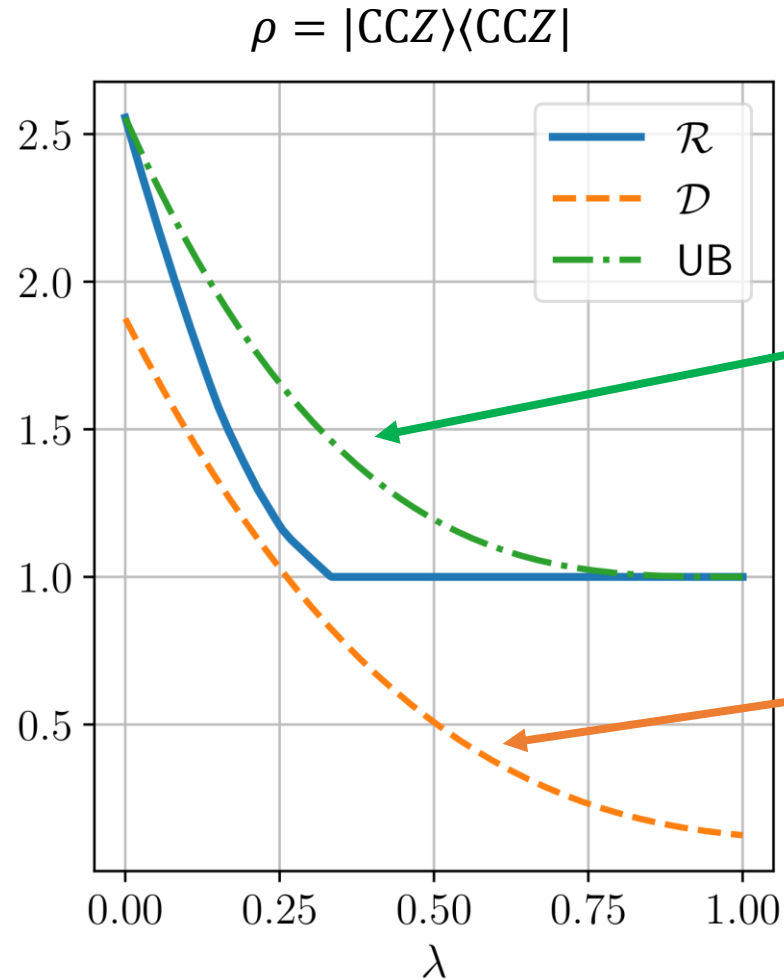
- Key technique: upper and lower bounds for noisy RoM.
- Upper bound: by convexity of $\mathcal{R}(\cdot)$

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\rho)) \leq \sum_{I \subset [n]} (1 - \lambda)^{n-|I|} \lambda^{|I|} \mathcal{R}(\text{Tr}_I(\rho))$$

- Lower bound: by $\mathcal{R}(\rho) \geq \mathcal{D}(\rho) := \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{P \in \mathcal{P}_n^+} |\text{Tr}(P\rho)|$

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Result 1. High-degree edges are fragile

- Hypergraph state $\Phi_n = |\mathcal{C}^{n-1}Z\rangle\langle\mathcal{C}^{n-1}Z|$, a single edge containing all qubits.
 - we can show that $\mathcal{R}(|\mathcal{C}^{n-1}Z\rangle) < 5$, for all n
 - magic spreads more extensively, more exposed to noise as n increases

$$2(1 - 3\lambda/4)^n \lesssim \mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Phi_n)) \leq 1 + 4(1 - \lambda/2)^n$$

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- $C^{n-1}Z$ variants of magic state distillation and injection?

At least $\Omega((1 - \lambda/2)^{-n})$ copies of $\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Phi_n)$ are required to achieve constant RoM, and therefore, to distill Φ_n with constant success probability.

Result 1. High-degree edges are fragile

- Furthermore, in an arbitrary hypergraph state Ψ , the magic contributed by high-degree edges is fragile to noise.

Theorem 2. *Let Ψ be an n -qubit hypergraph state. Consider adding K edges $e_1, \dots, e_K \subset [n]$ to Ψ to obtain a new state Φ . Then $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Phi))$ is upper bounded by*

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Psi)) + C_\Psi \sum_{\emptyset \neq J \subset [K]} (5^{|J|} + 1) \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)^{|\cup_{j \in J} e_j|},$$

where $C_\Psi := \max_{I \subset [n], \mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{Z}_2^{|I|}} \mathcal{R}(\Psi^{(I, \mathbf{s})})$ is a constant depending on Ψ .

Result 2. Local magic and magic threshold

For an n -qubit state ρ , define its maximum K -local RoM by

$$\mathcal{M}_K(\rho) := \max_{J \subset [n], |J|=K} \mathcal{R}(\text{Tr}_{\bar{J}}(\rho)),$$

where $\bar{J} := [n] - J$.

For a family of states $\{\rho_n\}$, if there exists a constant K such that $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_K(\rho_n) > 1$ (or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_K(\rho_n) = 1$), we say $\{\rho_n\}$ has *non-vanishing (or vanishing) local magic*.

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Proposition 3. *Suppose $\{\rho_n\}$ is a family of states with non-vanishing local magic, then it has a non-vanishing magic threshold.*

Let J_n ($|J_n| = K$) denote the K qubits on which ρ_n has maximum RoM. Since partial trace commutes with local noises, to ensure $\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\rho_n) \in \text{STAB}_n$, we must have $\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes K}(\text{Tr}_{\overline{J_n}}(\rho_n)) \in \text{STAB}_K$. Since the K -qubit state $\text{Tr}_{\overline{J_n}}(\rho_n)$ has $\text{RoM} \geq \text{constant}$ for all sufficiently large n , it can withstand constant rate of noises before falling into STAB_K .

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Theorem 4. *There exist efficiently preparable families of many-body states with vanishing local magic yet a non-vanishing magic threshold.*

For example, consider the family of 3-complete hypergraph states $\{\Gamma_n\}$, where Γ_n corresponds to the hypergraph with n vertices and all possible edges of degree 3. Evidently, $\{\Gamma_n\}$ has gate complexity $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$.

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For any constant K , the reduced density matrix of Γ_n on K qubits is a convex combination of four $(n-K)$ -qubit hypergraph states, with all four coefficients approaching $1/4$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, which can be proved to form a stabilizer state. Specifically, in Proposition [13](#), we show that $\mathcal{M}_K(\Gamma_n) \leq 1 + 2^{1+\frac{3}{2}K-\frac{n}{2}}$, which tends to 1 for all K as $n \rightarrow \infty$, indicating that $\{\Gamma_n\}$ has vanishing local magic.

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By upper and lower bounds for $\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Gamma_n))$, the magic threshold for $\{\Gamma_n\}$ satisfies $0.39 \leq \lambda_\epsilon^* \leq 0.78$, demonstrating a non-vanishing threshold.

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- Insights into interplay between magic and entanglement:

Γ_n has a vanishing amount of magic even when restricted to $\Theta(n)$ qubits: dividing Γ_n evenly among 4 parties results in a vanishing amount of magic for each party, as

$$\mathcal{M}_{n/4}(\Gamma_n) \leq 1 + 2^{1-n/8} \rightarrow 1.$$

However, the total magic remains substantial, as $\mathcal{R}(\Gamma_n) \geq \mathcal{D}(\Gamma_n) = \Theta(2^{n/2})$.

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- Insights into interplay between magic and entanglement:

The “non-local magic” in these states is embedded in entanglement and can withstand a constant rate of noise. We anticipate that such states may find interesting applications through “magic hiding” or “magic secret sharing”.

Noise robustness and threshold of magic

Hypergraph state Ψ	Edge degree	Threshold	$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Psi))$ upper bound	$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Psi))$ lower bound	Local magic
$ \text{CCZ}\rangle$	3	$\lambda_0^* = 1/3$	$\mathcal{R}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Psi)) = \max_{1 \leq j \leq 9} \alpha_j(\lambda)$ [Fig. 3]		23/9
Union Jack lattice		$\lambda_0^* \geq \text{constant} > 0$	$\mathcal{O}((2 - \lambda)^n)$	—	1.0078
3-complete hypergraph		$0.39 \leq \lambda_\epsilon^* \leq 0.78$	$1 + 2^{n+1}(1 - (1 - 2^{-3/2})\lambda)^n$	$\approx 2^{(n-3)/2}(1 - 3\lambda/4)^n$	$1 + \mathcal{O}(2^{-n/2})$
4-complete hypergraph	4	$\lambda_0^* \geq \text{constant} > 0$	$\mathcal{O}((2 - \lambda)^n)$	$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Psi))$ [Fig. 5]	$1.25 + o(1)$
High-degree hypergraphs	$\geq m$	$\lambda_\epsilon^* = \mathcal{O}(1/m)$	$1 + \text{poly}(m)(1 - \lambda/2)^m$	—	$1 + o(1)$
$ C^{n-1}Z\rangle$	n	$\lambda_\epsilon^* = \Theta(1/n)$	$1 + 4(1 - \lambda/2)^n$	$\approx 2(1 - 3\lambda/4)^n$	$1 + \Theta((1/2)^n)$
Qudit $ C^{n-1}Z\rangle$	n	$\lambda_0^* \geq 0.42$ ($d = 3$)	$1 + 4M_d(d - 1)^n (1 - \frac{d-1}{d}\lambda)^n$	$1 + 2 \text{sn}(\mathcal{E}_\lambda^{\otimes n}(\Psi))$ [Fig. 6]	$1 + \mathcal{O}((\frac{d-1}{d})^n)$

Take home messages

- Decay RoM of hypergraph states under independent noise.
- High-degree edges are fragile
- 3-complete hypergraph state
 - vanishing local magic (even on $\Theta(n)$ qubits)
 - non-vanishing magic threshold

Outlook

- Identify the most robust hypergraph states.
- The necessary and sufficient conditions for a family of states to have a non-vanishing magic threshold.
- The noise robustness of MBQC power.

**Thank you for
your attention!**

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