

# GRAPHICAL CSS CODE TRANSFORMATION USING ZX CALCULUS



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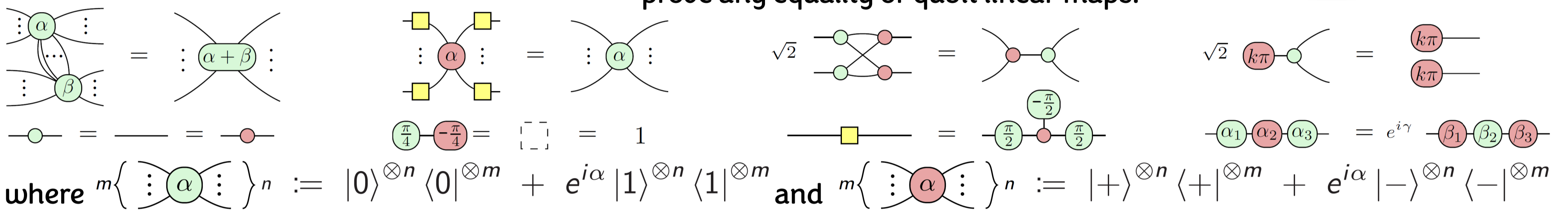
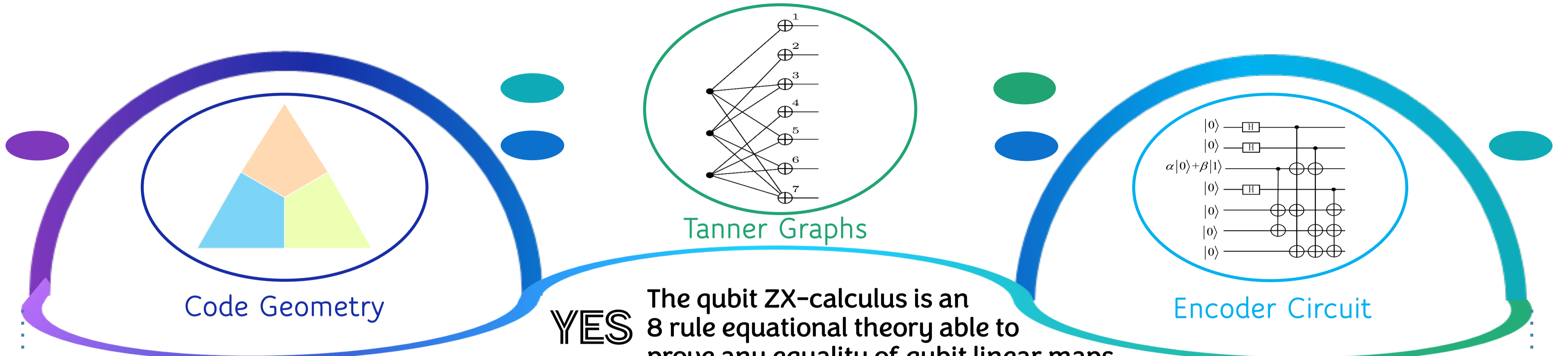
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## Can we unify the representation of CSS code in one graphical language?



Any CSS encoder has a phase-free ZX normal form which represents both the Tanner graph and geometry.

### Definition: CSS Subsystem Codes

Let  $G$  be an arbitrary subgroup of the Pauli group  $\mathcal{P}$ . A subsystem code defined by  $G$  has a group  $S$  of stabilizers and a set  $L_g$  of gauge operators, where  $S = C(G) \cap G$ ,  $C(G) = \{P \in \mathcal{P} : PM = MP, \forall M \in G\}$ ,  $L_g = G \setminus S$ .

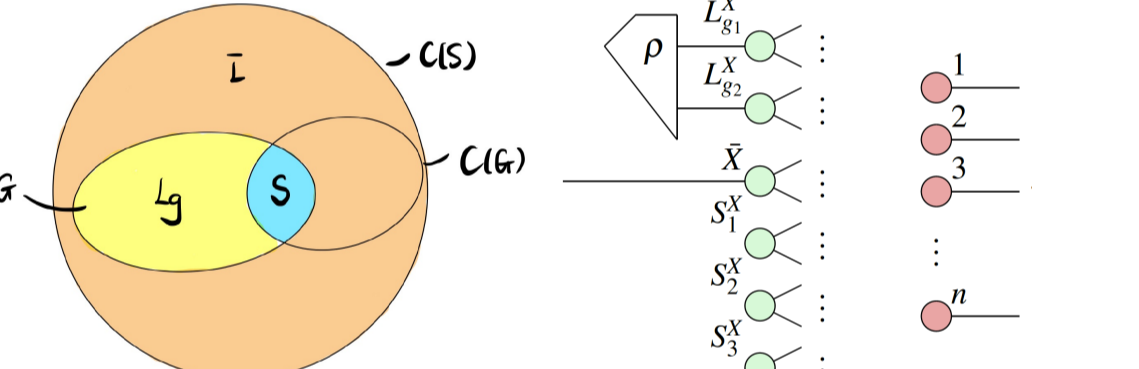
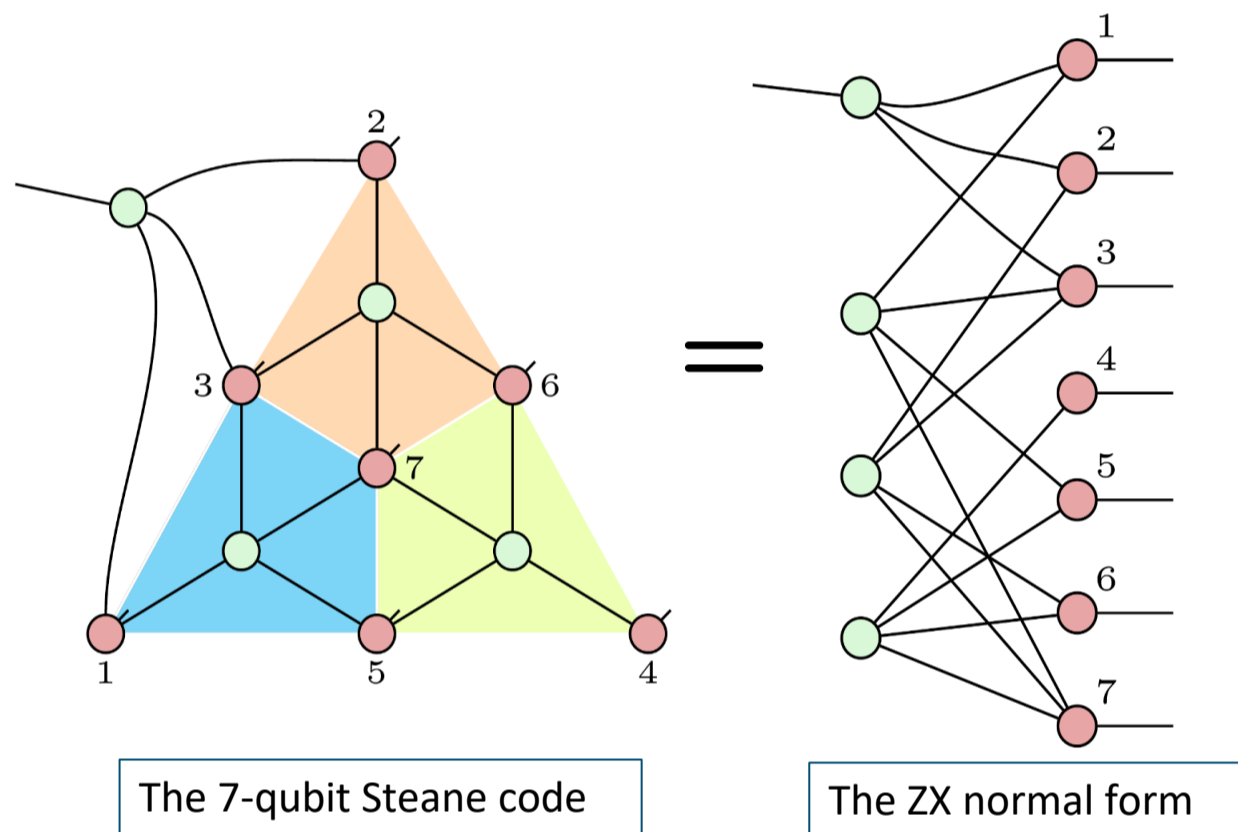
Subsystem codes are stabilizer codes where some of the logical qubits are not used for information storage and processing. These logical qubits are called gauge qubits.

### Proposition 3.1

Let  $E$  be the encoder of a CSS code. For any ZX diagram  $L$  on the lefthand side of  $E$ , one can write down a corresponding ZX diagram  $P$  on the righthand side of  $E$ , such that  $EL = PE$ . In other words,  $P$  is a valid physical implementation of  $L$  on that CSS code.

In any CSS code, all  $\bar{X}_i$  and  $\bar{Z}_i$  must be multi-qubit Pauli operators

Example: For the  $[[4, 2, 2]]$  code,  $\bar{X}_1 = X_1 X_2$



## Graphical Transformations between CSS Codes

### Case Study: The $[[15, 4, 3]]$ Subsystem Quantum Reed-Muller (SQRM) Code

SQRM is defined by the gauge group:

$$G = \langle N^X, N^Z, H^X, H^Z, T^Z \rangle$$

The associated stabilizer group, gauge group, and logical operators are:

$$S_S = \langle N^X, N^Z, H^Z \rangle_{11}, L_g = \langle H^X, T^Z \rangle_6, \bar{L} = \langle \bar{X}, \bar{Z} \rangle_2$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 7}, N = \begin{bmatrix} M & 0 & M \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{4 \times 15}, H = [M \ 0]_{3 \times 15}, T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 15}$$

### Gauge Fixing SQRM Converts between Quantum Reed-Muller (QRM) code and the extended QRM

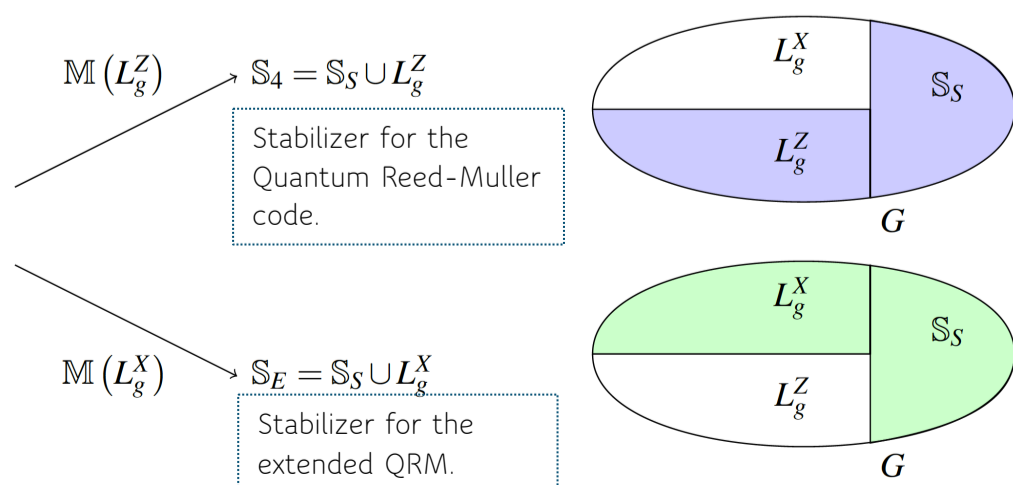
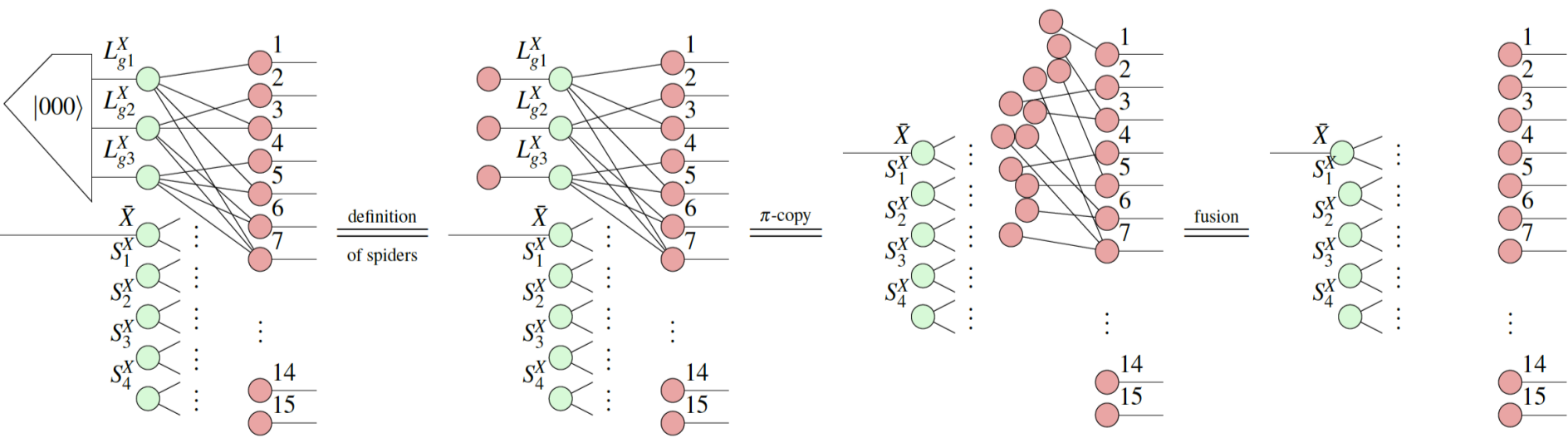
**Step 1:** Measure a commuting subset of gauge operators. E.g., measure three X-type gauge operators  $L_{g_i}^X$  and obtain the corresponding outcomes  $k_1, k_2, k_3 \in \{0, 1\}$ :

$$L_{g_i}^X |\bar{\psi}\rangle = (-1)^{k_i} |\bar{\psi}\rangle$$

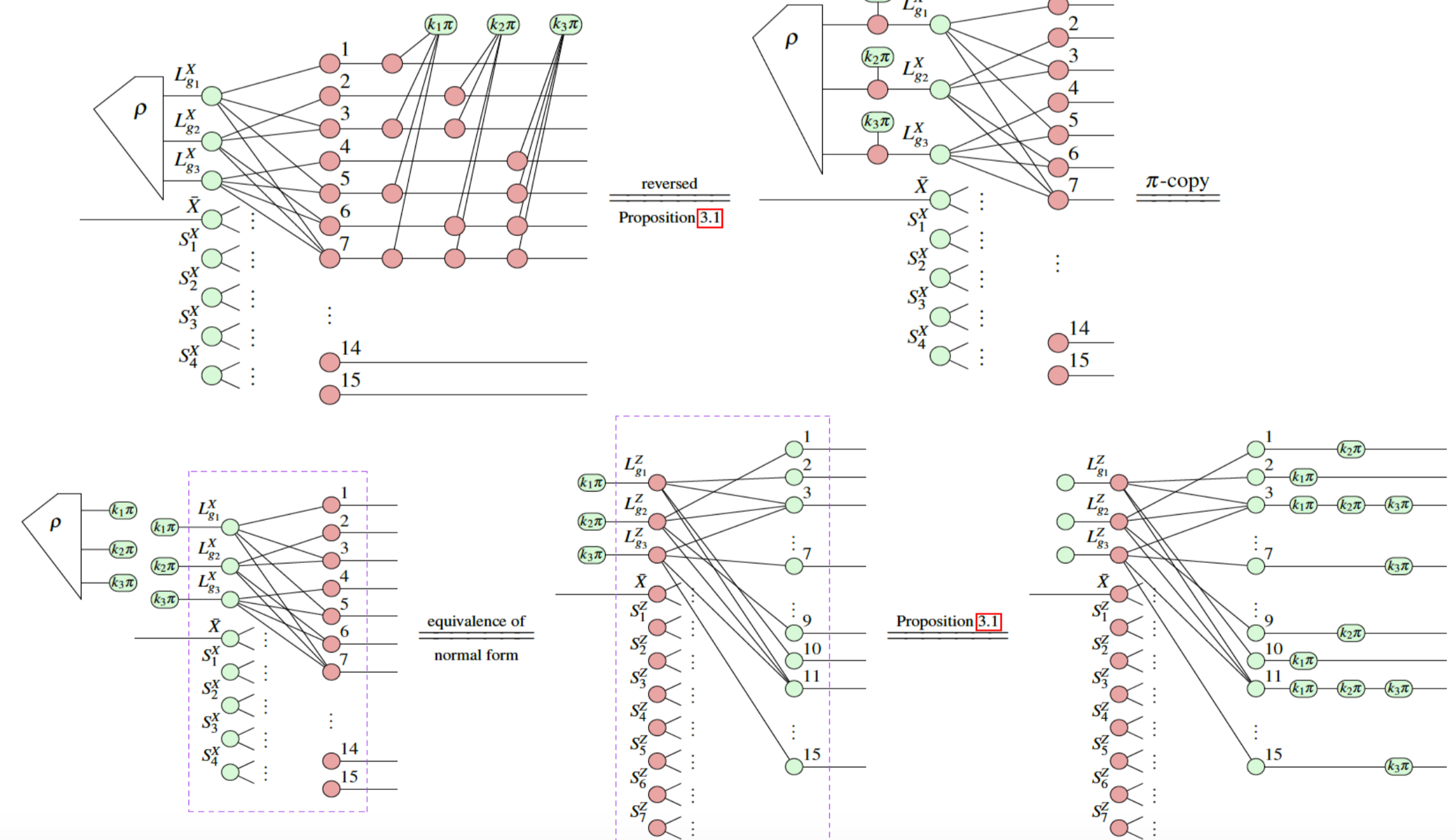
**Step 2:** When  $k_i = 1$ , the state of gauge qubit  $i$  is projected to the wrong state  $|=\rangle$ .

Applying the recovery operator  $L_{g_i}^Z$  corrects the collapsed state:

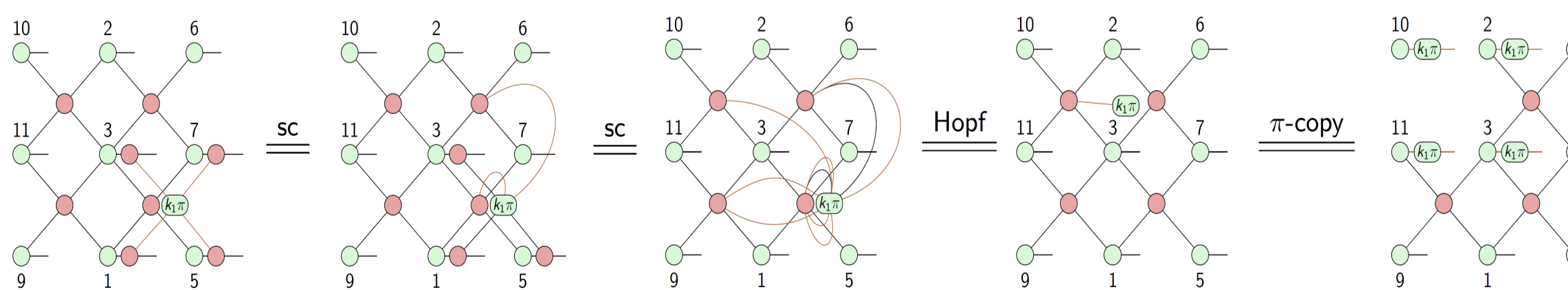
$$L_{g_i}^Z |=\rangle = |\bar{\neq}\rangle$$



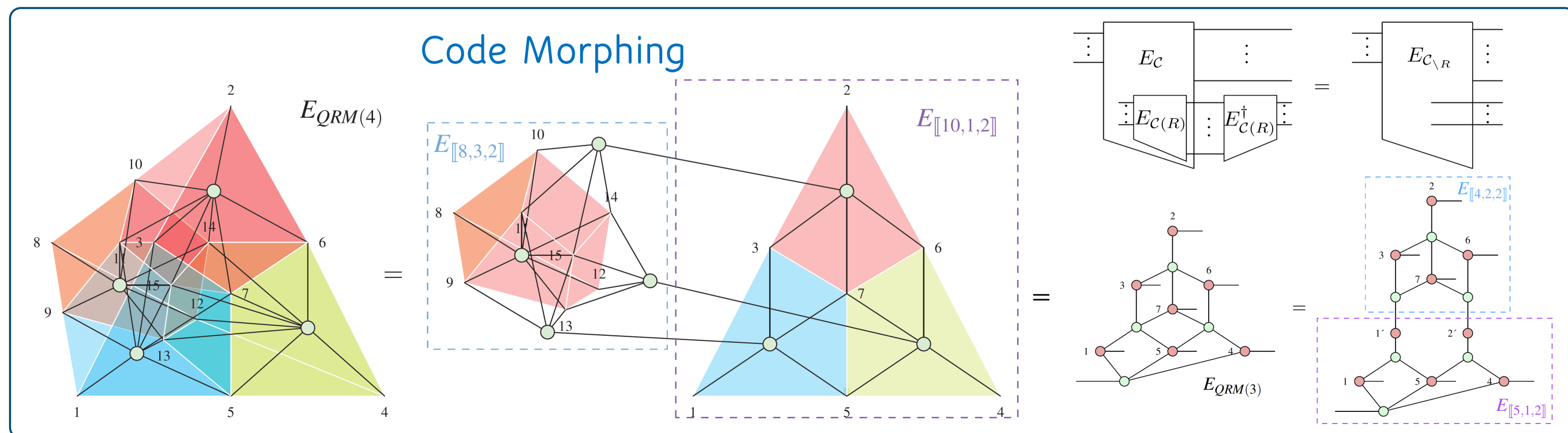
## Subsystem Code Gauge Fixing



**Syndrome-determined Recovery Operation** Measuring  $L_{g_i}^X$  adds these operators into the stabilizer group and removes stabilizers  $L_{g_i}^Z$ . One can readily read off the fixing operations from the graphical derivation.



## Code Morphing



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