# Quantum AI and Error Correction

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Note that our scheme is good for multiple times of quantum error correction without syndrome measurement.

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Table 2: Inputs and Errors on sigma = 1, Legend: Tenerife (pink) and Yorktown (blue)



Table 3: Inputs and Errors on random sigma, Legend: Tenerife (pink) and Yorktown (blue)

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Figure 1: QECC on 4 and 5 qubits

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- The recursive scheme is useful because of its efficiency in encoding and decoding. We will study whether it can protect classical information.

#### Any questions?

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