Automorphic Representations and "Golden" Quantum Logic Gates

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Note on technical details

- Anything in gray is a technical detail not relevant to this particular topic
- Anything in orange we will only explain intuitively and imprecisely due to time constraints.

Outline

- Quantum Computing Motivation
- Results/Summary of Argument
- Argument step details

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Rest of the talk: steps 1-4 in more detail



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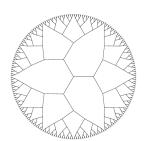
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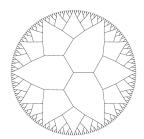
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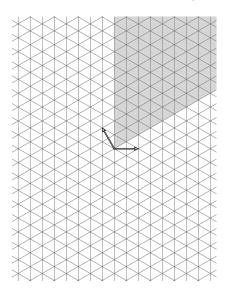
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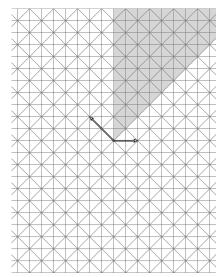
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