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Implementation of a five-cavity / four-qubit 3D circuit QED system¹ DOUGLAS MCCLURE, CHAD RIGETTI, JAY GAMBETTA, STE-FANO POLETTO, ERIK LUCERO, MARK KETCHEN, MATTHIAS STEFFEN, IBM T.J. Watson Research Center — Surface code error correction schemes, which have emerged as a guiding paradigm for the development of small prototype quantum processors, have a natural implementation on a skew square 2D lattice of cavities and qubits. We describe the experimental realization of a modular segment containing a unit cell of this lattice in a device consisting of five 3D waveguide cavities and four superconducting transmon qubits. In this system, we demonstrate high-fidelity one-and two-qubit gates with low crosstalk. Moreover, this device provides an extensible framework for tests of protocols needed for error correction in much larger systems.

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