Modeling and Control of Quantum Systems

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Un-measured quantum system \rightarrow Bilinear Schrödinger equation

$$irac{d}{dt}\left|\psi
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angle=\left(H_{0}+u(t)H_{1}
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angle,$$

• $|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$ the system's wavefunction with $\|\psi\rangle\|_{\mathcal{H}} = 1$;

- the free Hamiltonian, H₀, is a Hermitian operator defined on H;
- the control Hamiltonian, H₁, is a Hermitian operator defined on H;
- the control $u(t) : \mathbb{R}^+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is a scalar control.

Here we consider the case of finite dimensional $\ensuremath{\mathcal{H}}$

Almost periodic control

We consider the controls of the form

$$u(t) = \epsilon \left(\sum_{j=1}^{r} \mathbf{u}_{j} e^{i\omega_{j}t} + \mathbf{u}_{j}^{*} e^{-i\omega_{j}t} \right)$$

- $\epsilon > 0$ is a small parameter;
- *ϵ***u**_j is the constant complex amplitude associated to the pulsation ω_j ≥ 0;
- *r* stands for the number of independent pulsations ($\omega_j \neq \omega_k$ for $j \neq k$).

We are interested in approximations, for ϵ tending to 0⁺, of trajectories $t \mapsto |\psi_{\epsilon}\rangle_t$ of

$$\frac{d}{dt} |\psi_{\epsilon}\rangle = \left(A_0 + \epsilon \left(\sum_{j=1}^{r} \mathbf{u}_j e^{i\omega_j t} + \mathbf{u}_j^* e^{-i\omega_j t} \right) A_1 \right) |\psi_{\epsilon}\rangle$$

where $A_0 = -iH_0$ and $A_1 = -iH_1$ are skew-Hermitian.

Consider the following change of variables

$$|\psi_{\epsilon}\rangle_{t} = \boldsymbol{e}^{\boldsymbol{A}_{0}t} |\phi_{\epsilon}\rangle_{t}.$$

The resulting system is said to be in the "interaction frame"

 $\frac{d}{dt} \ket{\phi_{\epsilon}} = \epsilon \boldsymbol{B}(t) \ket{\phi_{\epsilon}}$

where B(t) is a skew-Hermitian operator whose time-dependence is almost periodic:

$$B(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{r} \mathbf{u}_j e^{i\omega_j t} e^{-A_0 t} A_1 e^{A_0 t} + \mathbf{u}_j^* e^{-i\omega_j t} e^{-A_0 t} A_1 e^{A_0 t}.$$

Main idea

We can write

$$B(t)=\bar{B}+\tfrac{d}{dt}\tilde{B}(t),$$

where \overline{B} is a constant skew-Hermitian matrix and $\widetilde{B}(t)$ is a bounded almost periodic skew-Hermitian matrix.

Multi-frequency averaging: first order

Consider the two systems

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left| \phi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle = \epsilon \left(\bar{B} + \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{B}(t) \right) \left| \phi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle,$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left|\phi_{\epsilon}^{1^{\mathrm{st}}}\right\rangle = \epsilon \bar{B}\left|\phi_{\epsilon}^{1^{\mathrm{st}}}\right\rangle,$$

initialized at the same state $\left|\phi_{\epsilon}^{1^{\text{st}}}\right\rangle_{0} = \left|\phi_{\epsilon}\right\rangle_{0}$.

Theorem: first order approximation (Rotating Wave Approximation)

Consider the functions $|\phi_{\epsilon}\rangle$ and $|\phi_{\epsilon}^{1^{st}}\rangle$ initialized at the same state and following the above dynamics. Then, there exist M > 0 and $\eta > 0$ such that for all $\epsilon \in]0, \eta[$ we have

$$\max_{t \in \left[0, \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right]} \left\| \left| \phi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle_{t} - \left| \phi_{\epsilon}^{1 \text{st}} \right\rangle_{t} \right\| \leq M\epsilon$$

Proof's idea

Almost periodic change of variables:

 $|\chi_{\epsilon}\rangle = (1 - \epsilon \widetilde{B}(t)) |\phi_{\epsilon}\rangle$

well-defined for $\epsilon > 0$ sufficiently small. The dynamics can be written as

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left|\chi_{\epsilon}\right\rangle = \left(\epsilon\bar{B} + \epsilon^{2}F(\epsilon,t)\right)\left|\chi_{\epsilon}\right\rangle$$

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where $F(\epsilon, t)$ is uniformly bounded in time.

Multi-frequency averaging: second order

More precisely, the dynamics of $|\chi_\epsilon
angle$ is given by

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left| \chi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle = \left(\epsilon \bar{B} + \epsilon^2 [\bar{B}, \widetilde{B}(t)] - \epsilon^2 \widetilde{B}(t) \frac{d}{dt} \widetilde{B}(t) + \epsilon^3 E(\epsilon, t) \right) \left| \chi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle$$

 E(ε, t) is still almost periodic but its entries are no more linear combinations of time-exponentials;

■ $\widetilde{B}(t) \frac{d}{dt} \widetilde{B}(t)$ is an almost periodic operator whose entries are linear combinations of oscillating time-exponentials.

We can write

$$\widetilde{B}(t)\frac{d}{dt}\widetilde{B}(t) = \overline{D} + \frac{d}{dt}\widetilde{D}(t)$$

where $\widetilde{D}(t)$ is almost periodic. We have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left| \chi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle = \left(\epsilon \bar{B} - \epsilon^2 \bar{D} + \epsilon^2 \frac{d}{dt} \left([\bar{B}, \widetilde{C}(t)] - \widetilde{D}(t) \right) + \epsilon^3 E(\epsilon, t) \right) \left| \chi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle$$

where the skew-Hermitian operators \overline{B} and \overline{D} are constants and the other ones \widetilde{C} , \widetilde{D} , and E are almost periodic.

Multi-frequency averaging: second order

Consider the two systems

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left| \phi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle = \epsilon \left(\bar{B} + \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{B}(t) \right) \left| \phi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle,$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left|\phi_{\epsilon}^{2^{\mathsf{nd}}}\right\rangle = \left(\epsilon\bar{B} - \epsilon^{2}\bar{D}\right)\left|\phi_{\epsilon}^{2^{\mathsf{nd}}}\right\rangle,$$

initialized at the same state $\left|\phi_{\epsilon}^{2^{nd}}\right\rangle_{0} = \left|\phi_{\epsilon}\right\rangle_{0}$.

Theorem: second order approximation

Consider the functions $|\phi_{\epsilon}\rangle$ and $|\phi_{\epsilon}^{2^{nd}}\rangle$ initialized at the same state and following the above dynamics. Then, there exist M > 0 and $\eta > 0$ such that for all $\epsilon \in]0, \eta[$ we have

$$\max_{t \in \left[0, \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}\right]} \left\| \left| \phi_{\epsilon} \right\rangle_t - \left| \phi_{\epsilon}^{2^{\mathsf{nd}}} \right\rangle_t \right\| \le M\epsilon$$

Proof's idea

Another almost periodic change of variables

$$|\xi_{\epsilon}\rangle = \left(\mathbf{1} - \epsilon^{2}\left([\overline{B}, \widetilde{C}(t)] - \widetilde{D}(t)\right)\right)|\chi_{\epsilon}\rangle.$$

The dynamics can be written as

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where G is almost periodic and therefore uniformly bounded in time.

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Approximation recipes

We consider the Hamiltonian

$$H=H_0+\sum_{k=1}^m u_k H_k, \qquad u_k(t)=\sum_{j=1}^r \mathbf{u}_{k,j} e^{\omega_j t}+\mathbf{u}_{k,j}^* e^{-\omega_j t}.$$

The Hamiltonian in interaction frame

$$H_{\text{int}}(t) = \sum_{k,j} \left(\mathbf{u}_{k,j} e^{\omega_j t} + \mathbf{u}_{k,j}^* e^{-\omega_j t} \right) e^{iH_0 t} H_k e^{-iH_0 t}$$

We define the first order Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{rwa}}^{1\,\text{st}} = \overline{H_{\text{int}}} = \lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T H_{\text{int}}(t) dt,$$

and the second order Hamiltonian

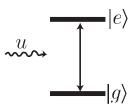
$$H_{\text{rwa}}^{2^{\text{nd}}} = H_{\text{rwa}}^{1^{\text{st}}} - i(H_{\text{int}} - \overline{H_{\text{int}}}) \left(\int_{t} (H_{\text{int}} - \overline{H_{\text{int}}}) \right)$$

Remark

In the above analysis we have assumed the complex amplitudes $\mathbf{u}_{k,j}$ to be constant. However, the whole analysis holds for the case where each one $\mathbf{u}_{k,j}$'s is of a small magnitude, admits a finite number of discontinuities and, between two successive discontinuities, is a slowly time varying function that is continuously differentiable.

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2-level system (1/2 spin)



 $\begin{array}{c} |e\rangle \\ \hline \\ |e\rangle \\ |g\rangle \\ |g\rangle \\ \hline \\ |g\rangle \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{The simplest quantum system: a ground} \\ \text{state } |g\rangle \text{ of energy } \omega_g; \text{ an excited state } |e\rangle \text{ of} \\ \text{energy } \omega_e. \\ \text{The quantum state } |\psi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2 \text{ is a} \\ \text{linear superposition } |\psi\rangle = \psi_g |g\rangle + \psi_e |e\rangle \text{ and} \\ \text{obey to the Schrödinger equation } (\psi_g \text{ and } \psi_e \\ \text{depend on } t). \\ \end{array}$

Schrödinger equation for the uncontrolled 2-level system $(\hbar = 1)$:

$$i\frac{d}{dt}\ket{\psi} = H_0\ket{\psi} = \left(\omega_{e}\ket{e}\bra{e} + \omega_{g}\ket{g}\bra{g}\right)\ket{\psi}$$

where H_0 is the Hamiltonian, a Hermitian operator $H_0^{\dagger} = H_0$. Energy is defined up to a constant: H_0 and $H_0 + \varpi(t)\mathbf{1}$ ($\varpi(t) \in \mathbb{R}$ arbitrary) are attached to the same physical system. If $|\psi\rangle$ satisfies $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = H_0 |\psi\rangle$ then $|\chi\rangle = e^{-i\vartheta(t)} |\psi\rangle$ with $\frac{d}{dt}\vartheta = \varpi$ obeys to $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\chi\rangle = (H_0 + \varpi I) |\chi\rangle$. Thus for any ϑ , $|\psi\rangle$ and $e^{-i\vartheta} |\psi\rangle$ represent the same physical system: The global phase of a quantum system $|\psi\rangle$ can be chosen arbitrarily at any time.

The controlled 2-level system

Take origin of energy such that ω_g (resp. ω_e) becomes $-\frac{\omega_e - \omega_g}{2}$ (resp. $\frac{\omega_e - \omega_g}{2}$) and set $\omega_{eg} = \omega_e - \omega_g$ The solution of $i\frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = H_0 |\psi\rangle = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} (|e\rangle \langle e| - |g\rangle \langle g|) |\psi\rangle$ is $|\psi\rangle_t = \psi_{g0} e^{\frac{i\omega_{eg}t}{2}} |g\rangle + \psi_{e0} e^{\frac{-i\omega_{eg}t}{2}} |e\rangle.$

With a classical electromagnetic field described by $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}$, the coherent evolution the controlled Hamiltonian

$$H(t) = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \sigma_z + \frac{u(t)}{2} \sigma_x = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} (|e\rangle \langle e| - |g\rangle \langle g|) + \frac{u(t)}{2} (|e\rangle \langle g| + |g\rangle \langle e|)$$

The controlled Schrödinger equation $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = (H_0 + uH_1) |\psi\rangle$
reads:

$$i\frac{d}{dt}\begin{pmatrix}\psi_e\\\psi_g\end{pmatrix} = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\begin{pmatrix}1&0\\0&-1\end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix}\psi_e\\\psi_g\end{pmatrix} + \frac{u(t)}{2}\begin{pmatrix}0&1\\1&0\end{pmatrix}\begin{pmatrix}\psi_e\\\psi_g\end{pmatrix}.$$

The 3 Pauli Matrices¹

 $\sigma_{x} = |\mathbf{e}\rangle \langle \mathbf{g}| + |\mathbf{g}\rangle \langle \mathbf{e}| \,, \, \sigma_{y} = -i |\mathbf{e}\rangle \langle \mathbf{g}| + i |\mathbf{g}\rangle \langle \mathbf{e}| \,, \, \sigma_{z} = |\mathbf{e}\rangle \langle \mathbf{e}| - |\mathbf{g}\rangle \langle \mathbf{g}|$

¹They correspond, up to multiplication by *i*, to the 3 imaginary quaternions.

 $\sigma_{x} = |\mathbf{e}\rangle \langle \mathbf{g}| + |\mathbf{g}\rangle \langle \mathbf{e}|, \ \sigma_{y} = -i|\mathbf{e}\rangle \langle \mathbf{g}| + i|\mathbf{g}\rangle \langle \mathbf{e}|, \ \sigma_{z} = |\mathbf{e}\rangle \langle \mathbf{e}| - |\mathbf{g}\rangle \langle \mathbf{g}|$ $\sigma_{x}^{2} = \mathbf{1}, \quad \sigma_{x}\sigma_{y} = i\sigma_{z}, \quad [\sigma_{x},\sigma_{y}] = 2i\sigma_{z}, \text{ circular permutation } \dots$

Since for any $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, $e^{i\theta\sigma_x} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta\sigma_x$ (idem for σ_y and σ_z), the solution of $i\frac{d}{dt}|\psi\rangle = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\sigma_z|\psi\rangle$ is

$$|\psi\rangle_t = e^{\frac{-i\omega_{eg}t}{2}\sigma_z} |\psi\rangle_0 = \left(\cos\left(\frac{\omega_{eg}t}{2}\right)\mathbf{1} - i\sin\left(\frac{\omega_{eg}t}{2}\right)\sigma_z\right) |\psi\rangle_0$$

For $\alpha, \beta = x, y, z, \alpha \neq \beta$ we have

$$\sigma_{\alpha} \boldsymbol{e}^{i\theta\sigma_{\beta}} = \boldsymbol{e}^{-i\theta\sigma_{\beta}} \sigma_{\alpha}, \qquad \left(\boldsymbol{e}^{i\theta\sigma_{\alpha}}\right)^{-1} = \left(\boldsymbol{e}^{i\theta\sigma_{\alpha}}\right)^{\dagger} = \boldsymbol{e}^{-i\theta\sigma_{\alpha}}$$

and also

$$e^{-\frac{i\theta}{2}\sigma_{\alpha}}\sigma_{\beta}e^{\frac{i\theta}{2}\sigma_{\alpha}} = e^{-i\theta\sigma_{\alpha}}\sigma_{\beta} = \sigma_{\beta}e^{i\theta\sigma_{\alpha}}$$

RWA and resonant control

In $i\frac{d}{dt}|\psi\rangle = \left(\frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\sigma_z + \frac{u}{2}\sigma_x\right)|\psi\rangle$, take a resonant control $u = \mathbf{u}e^{i\omega_{eg}t} + \mathbf{u}^*e^{-i\omega_{eg}t}$ with \mathbf{u} slowly varying complex amplitude $\left|\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{u}\right| \ll \omega_{eg}|\mathbf{u}|$. Set $H_0 = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\sigma_z$ and $\epsilon H_1 = \frac{u}{2}\sigma_x$ and consider $|\psi\rangle = e^{-\frac{i\omega_{eg}t}{2}\sigma_z}|\phi\rangle$ to eliminate the drift H_0 and to get the Hamiltonian in the interaction frame:

$$i\frac{d}{dt}|\phi\rangle = \frac{u}{2}e^{i\frac{\omega_{egt}}{2}\sigma_{z}}\sigma_{x}e^{-\frac{i\omega_{egt}}{2}\sigma_{z}}|\phi\rangle = H_{int}|\phi\rangle$$
with $H_{int} = \frac{u}{2}e^{i\omega_{egt}}e^{\frac{\sigma^{+}=|e\rangle\langle g|}{2}} + \frac{u}{2}e^{-i\omega_{egt}}e^{\frac{\sigma^{-}=|g\rangle\langle e|}{2}}$
The RWA consists in neglecting the oscillating terms at frequency $2\omega_{eg}$ when $|\mathbf{u}| \ll \Omega$:

$$H_{int} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}e^{2i\omega_{eg}t} + \mathbf{u}^*}{2}\right)\sigma^+ + \left(\frac{\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u}^*e^{-2i\omega_{eg}t}}{2}\right)\sigma^-.$$

Thus

$$\overline{H_{int}} = \frac{\mathbf{u}^* \sigma^+ + \mathbf{u} \sigma^-}{2}.$$

Second order approximation and Bloch-Siegert shift

The decomposition of H_{int} ,

$$H_{\text{int}} = \underbrace{\frac{\mathbf{u}^{*}}{2}\sigma_{+} + \frac{\mathbf{u}}{2}\sigma_{-}}_{\overline{H_{\text{int}}}} + \underbrace{\frac{\mathbf{u}e^{2i\omega_{egt}}}{2}\sigma_{+} + \frac{\mathbf{u}^{*}e^{-2i\omega_{egt}}}{2}\sigma_{-}}_{H_{\text{int}}-\overline{H_{\text{int}}}},$$

provides the first order approximation (RWA) $H_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} = \overline{H_{\text{int}}} = \lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{0}^{T} H_{\text{int}}(t) dt, \text{ and also the second order}$ approximation $H_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}} = H_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} - i(\overline{H_{\text{int}} - \overline{H_{\text{int}}}}) \left(\int_{t} (H_{\text{int}} - \overline{H_{\text{int}}})\right).$ Since $\int_{t} H_{\text{int}} - \overline{H_{\text{int}}} = \frac{\mathbf{u}e^{2i\omega_{eg}t}}{4i\omega_{eg}}\sigma_{+} - \frac{\mathbf{u}^{*}e^{-2i\omega_{eg}t}}{4i\omega_{eg}}\sigma_{-}, \text{ we have}$ $\overline{\left(H_{\text{int}} - \overline{H_{\text{int}}}\right) \left(\int_{t} (H_{\text{int}} - \overline{H_{\text{int}}})\right)} = -\frac{|\mathbf{u}|^{2}}{8i\omega_{eg}}\sigma_{z}$

(use $\sigma_+^2 = \sigma_-^2 = 0$ and $\sigma_z = \sigma_+\sigma_- - \sigma_-\sigma_+$). The second order approximation reads:

$$H_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}} = H_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} + \left(\frac{|\mathbf{u}|^2}{8\omega_{eg}}\right)\sigma_Z = \frac{\mathbf{u}^*}{2}\sigma_+ + \frac{\mathbf{u}}{2}\sigma_- + \left(\frac{|\mathbf{u}|^2}{8\omega_{eg}}\right)\sigma_Z.$$

The 2nd order correction $\frac{|\mathbf{u}|^2}{4\omega_r}\sigma_z$ is called the Bloch-Siegert shift.

Take the first order approximation

$$(\Sigma) \quad i\frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = \frac{(\mathbf{u}^* \sigma^+ + \mathbf{u} \sigma^-)}{2} |\phi\rangle = \frac{(\mathbf{u}^* |\mathbf{e}\rangle \langle \mathbf{g}| + \mathbf{u} |\mathbf{g}\rangle \langle \mathbf{e}|)}{2} |\phi\rangle$$

with control $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{C}$.

- **1** Take constant control $\mathbf{u}(t) = \Omega_r e^{i\theta}$ for $t \in [0, T]$, T > 0. Show that $i \frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = \frac{\Omega_r (\cos \theta \sigma_x + \sin \theta \sigma_y)}{2} |\phi\rangle$.
- 2 Set $\Theta_r = \frac{\Omega_r}{2}T$. Show that the solution at *T* of the propagator $U_t \in SU(2), i\frac{d}{dt}U = \frac{\Omega_r(\cos\theta\sigma_x + \sin\theta\sigma_y)}{2}U, U_0 = \mathbf{1}$ is given by

$$U_T = \cos \Theta_r \mathbf{1} - i \sin \Theta_r \left(\cos \theta \sigma_x + \sin \theta \sigma_y \right),$$

- 3 Take a wave function $|\bar{\phi}\rangle$. Show that exist Ω_r and θ such that $U_T |g\rangle = e^{i\alpha} |\bar{\phi}\rangle$, where α is some global phase.
- 4 Prove that for any given two wave functions $|\phi_a\rangle$ and $|\phi_b\rangle$ exists a piece-wise constant control $[0, 2T] \ni t \mapsto \mathbf{u}(t) \in \mathbb{C}$ such that the solution of (Σ) with $|\phi\rangle_0 = |\phi_a\rangle$ satisfies $|\phi\rangle_T = e^{i\beta} |\phi_b\rangle$ for some global phase β .

Composite system: 2-level and harmonic oscillator

The quantum harmonic oscillator lives on $L^2(\mathbb{R},\mathbb{C}) \sim l^2(\mathbb{C})$ with controlled Hamiltonian

$$-\frac{\omega_c}{2}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}+\frac{\omega_c}{2}x^2+\sqrt{2}ux\sim\omega_c\left(a^{\dagger}a+\frac{1}{2}\right)+u(a+a^{\dagger})$$

(remember that $a = X + iP = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)$).

The 2-level system lives on \mathbb{C}^2 with Hamiltonian $H_a = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \sigma_z$. The composite system lives on the tensor product $\mathbb{C}^2 \otimes L^2(\mathbb{R},\mathbb{C}) \sim \mathbb{C}^2 \otimes l^2(\mathbb{C})$ with controlled Hamiltonian

$$\frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \sigma_{z} \otimes \mathbf{1}_{L^{2}(\mathbb{R},\mathbb{C})} + \omega_{c} \mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{C}^{2}} \otimes \left(a^{\dagger}a + \frac{1}{2}\right) + u \mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{C}^{2}} \otimes (a + a^{\dagger}) \\ -i\frac{\Omega}{2}\sigma_{x} \otimes (a^{\dagger} - a)$$

Shortcut notations for the Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian:

$$H_{JC} = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\sigma_z + \omega_c \left(a^{\dagger}a + \frac{1}{2}\right) + u(a + a^{\dagger}) - i\frac{\Omega}{2}\sigma_x(a^{\dagger} - a)$$

with the usual scales $\Omega \ll \omega_c, \omega_{eg}, |\omega_c - \omega_{eg}| \ll \omega_c, \omega_{eg}$ and $|\mathbf{u}| \ll \omega_{\mathbf{c}}, \omega_{\mathbf{eq}}.$

The Schrödinger system

$$i\frac{d}{dt}|\psi\rangle = \left(\frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\sigma_{z} + \omega_{c}\left(a^{\dagger}a + \frac{1}{2}\right) + u(a + a^{\dagger}) - i\frac{\Omega}{2}\sigma_{x}(a^{\dagger} - a)\right)|\psi\rangle$$

corresponds to two coupled scalar PDE's:

$$i\frac{\partial\psi_{g}}{\partial t} = \frac{\omega_{c}}{2}\left(x^{2} - \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}}\right)\psi_{g} + \left(\sqrt{2}ux - \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\right)\psi_{g} + i\frac{\Omega}{\sqrt{2}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\psi_{e}$$
$$i\frac{\partial\psi_{e}}{\partial t} = \frac{\omega_{c}}{2}\left(x^{2} - \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}}\right)\psi_{e} + \left(\sqrt{2}ux + \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\right)\psi_{e} + i\frac{\Omega}{\sqrt{2}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\psi_{g}$$

since $a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)$ and $|\psi\rangle$ corresponds to $(\psi_g(x, t), \psi_e(x, t))$ where $\psi_g(., t), \psi_e(., t) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C})$ and $\|\psi_g\|^2 + \|\psi_e\|^2 = 1$.

Resonant control and passage to the interaction frame

In $H_{JC} = \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2}\sigma_z + \omega_c \left(a^{\dagger}a + \frac{1}{2}\right) + u(a + a^{\dagger}) - i\frac{\Omega}{2}\sigma_x(a^{\dagger} - a)$, $\omega_{eg} = \omega_c = \omega_r$ and $u(t) = \mathbf{u}e^{i\omega_r t} + \mathbf{u}^*e^{-i\omega_r t}$ with slowly varying complex amplitude \mathbf{u} and $|\Omega|, |\mathbf{u}| \ll \omega_r$. Then $H_{JC} = H_0 + \epsilon H_1$ where ϵ is a small parameter and

$$H_0 = \frac{\omega_r}{2}\sigma_z + \omega_r \left(a^{\dagger}a + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\epsilon H_1 = (\mathbf{u}e^{i\omega_r t} + \mathbf{u}^* e^{-i\omega_r t})(a + a^{\dagger}) - i\frac{\Omega}{2}\sigma_x(a^{\dagger} - a).$$

 H_{int} is obtained by setting $|\psi\rangle = e^{-i\omega_r t \left(a^{\dagger}a + \frac{1}{2}\right)} e^{\frac{-i\omega_r t}{2}\sigma_z} |\phi\rangle$ in $i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = H_{JC} |\psi\rangle$ to get $i \frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = H_{\text{int}} |\phi\rangle$ with

where we used

$$e^{\frac{i\theta}{2}\sigma_z}\sigma_x e^{-\frac{i\theta}{2}\sigma_z} = e^{-i\theta}\sigma_- + e^{i\theta}\sigma_+, \quad e^{i\theta(a^{\dagger}a+\frac{1}{2})}a e^{-i\theta(a^{\dagger}a+\frac{1}{2})} = e^{-i\theta}a$$

RWA and associated PDE

The secular terms in H_{int} are given by (RWA, first order approximation)

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mathsf{rwa}}^{1^{\mathrm{st}}} = \mathbf{u} a + \mathbf{u}^{*} a^{\dagger} - i rac{\Omega}{2} ig(\ket{g} ig\langle e \ket{a^{\dagger}} - \ket{e} ig\langle g \ket{a} ig)$$

Set $H_{rwa}^{1st} = H_0 + u_1H_1 + u_2H_2$ where $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(u_1 + iu_2)$, $u_1, u_2 \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$H_0 = -\frac{\Omega}{2}(X\sigma_y + P\sigma_x), \ H_1 = \frac{a+a^{\dagger}}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}X, \ H_2 = \frac{a-a^{\dagger}}{i\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}P.$$

The quantum state $|\phi\rangle$ is described by two elements of $L^2(\mathbb{R},\mathbb{C})$, ϕ_g and ϕ_e , whose time evolution is given by

$$i\frac{\partial\phi_{g}}{\partial t} = \left(u_{1}x + iu_{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)\phi_{g} + i\frac{\Omega}{2\sqrt{2}}\left(x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)\phi_{e}$$
$$i\frac{\partial\phi_{e}}{\partial t} = \left(u_{1}x + iu_{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)\phi_{e} + i\frac{\Omega}{2\sqrt{2}}\left(x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)\phi_{g}$$

since X stands for $\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}$ and P for $-\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$.

Exercise: JC systems with impulse controls

Consider the average JC model (resonant case, $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{C}$ as control.).

$$i\frac{d}{dt}|\psi\rangle = \left(i\frac{\Omega}{2}(\sigma_{+}a - \sigma_{-}a^{\dagger}) + \mathbf{u}a^{\dagger} + \mathbf{u}^{*}a\right)|\psi\rangle$$

Set v ∈ C solution of ^d/_{dt}v = −iu and consider the following change of frame |φ⟩ = D_{-v} |ψ⟩ with the displacement operator D_{-v} = e^{-va[†]+v^{*}a}. Show that, up to a global phase change, we have, with ũ = i^Ω/₂v,

$$i\frac{d}{dt}|\phi\rangle = \left(\frac{i\Omega}{2}(\sigma_{+}a - \sigma_{-}a^{\dagger}) + (\tilde{\mathbf{u}}\sigma_{+} + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^{*}\sigma_{-})\right)|\phi\rangle$$

2 Take the orthonormal basis { $|g, n\rangle$, $|e, n\rangle$ } with $n \in \mathbb{N}$ being the photon number and where for instance $|g, n\rangle$ stands for the tensor product $|g\rangle \otimes |n\rangle$. Set $|\phi\rangle = \sum_{n} \phi_{g,n} |g, n\rangle + \phi_{e,n} |e, n\rangle$ with $\phi_{g,n}, \phi_{e,n} \in \mathbb{C}$ depending on *t* and $\sum_{n} |\phi_{g,n}|^2 + |\phi_{e,n}|^2 = 1$. Show that, for $n \ge 0$

$$i\frac{d}{dt}\phi_{g,n+1} = -i\frac{\Omega}{2}\sqrt{n+1}\phi_{e,n} + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^*\phi_{e,n+1}, \quad i\frac{d}{dt}\phi_{e,n} = i\frac{\Omega}{2}\sqrt{n+1}\phi_{g,n+1} + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}\phi_{g,n+1}$$

and $i \frac{d}{dt} \phi_{g,0} = \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^* \phi_{e,0}$.

- 3 Assume that $|\phi\rangle_0 = |g, 0\rangle$. Construct an open-loop control $[0, T] \ni t \mapsto \tilde{\mathbf{u}}(t)$ such that $|\phi\rangle_T = |g, 1\rangle$.
- 4 Generalize the above open-loop control when the goal state $|\phi\rangle_T$ is $|g, n\rangle$ with any arbitrary photon number *n*.

Slide from Lecture 1 "Harmonic oscillator (5): identities resulting from Glauber formula"

With $A = \alpha a^{\dagger}$ and $B = -\alpha^* a$, Glauber formula gives:

$$D_{\alpha} = e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} e^{\alpha a^{\dagger}} e^{-\alpha^* a} = e^{+\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} e^{-\alpha^* a} e^{\alpha a^{\dagger}}$$
$$D_{-\alpha} a D_{\alpha} = a + \alpha \quad \text{and} \quad D_{-\alpha} a^{\dagger} D_{\alpha} = a^{\dagger} + \alpha^*.$$

With $A = 2i\Im \alpha X \sim i\sqrt{2}\Im \alpha x$ and $B = -2i\Re \alpha P \sim -\sqrt{2}\Re \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$, Glauber formula gives²:

$$\begin{split} D_{\alpha} &= e^{-i\Re\alpha\Im\alpha} \ e^{i\sqrt{2}\Im\alpha x} e^{-\sqrt{2}\Re\alpha\frac{\partial}{\partial x}} \\ (D_{\alpha} |\psi\rangle)_{x,t} &= e^{-i\Re\alpha\Im\alpha} \ e^{i\sqrt{2}\Im\alpha x} \psi(x - \sqrt{2}\Re\alpha, t) \end{split}$$

For any $\alpha, \beta, \epsilon \in \mathbb{C}$, we have

$$D_{\alpha+\beta} = e^{\frac{\alpha^*\beta - \alpha\beta^*}{2}} D_{\alpha} D_{\beta}$$

$$D_{\alpha+\epsilon} D_{-\alpha} = \left(1 + \frac{\alpha\epsilon^* - \alpha^*\epsilon}{2}\right) \mathbf{1} + \epsilon \mathbf{a}^{\dagger} - \epsilon^* \mathbf{a} + O(|\epsilon|^2)$$

$$\left(\frac{d}{dt} D_{\alpha}\right) D_{-\alpha} = \left(\frac{\alpha \frac{d}{dt} \alpha^* - \alpha^* \frac{d}{dt} \alpha}{2}\right) \mathbf{1} + \left(\frac{d}{dt} \alpha\right) \mathbf{a}^{\dagger} - \left(\frac{d}{dt} \alpha^*\right) \mathbf{a}$$

²Remember that a time-delay of *r* corresponds to the operator $e^{-r\frac{d}{dt}}$. $= \circ \circ \circ \circ$