

Mathematical methods for modeling and control of open quantum systems¹

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Time-periodic non-linear systems

We consider a non-linear ODE of the form:

$$\frac{d}{dt}x = \epsilon f(x, t), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad 0 < \epsilon \ll 1,$$

where f is T -periodic in t and depends smoothly on x .

We will see how its solution is well-approximated by the solution of the time-independent system, **the averaged system**:

$$\frac{d}{dt}z = \epsilon \bar{f}(z)$$

where $\bar{f}(z) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(z, t) dt$.

The Averaging Theorem

Consider $\frac{d}{dt}x = \epsilon f(x, t)$ with $x \in U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $0 \leq \epsilon \ll 1$, and $f : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ smooth and period $T > 0$ in t . Also assume U to be bounded.

- If z is the solution of $\frac{d}{dt}z = \bar{f}(z)$ with the initial condition z_0 , and assuming $|x_0 - z_0| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$, we have $|x(t) - z(t)| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ on a time-scale $t \sim 1/\epsilon$.
- If \bar{z} is a hyperbolic fixed point of the **averaged system** then there exists $\epsilon_0 > 0$ such that, for all $0 < \epsilon \leq \epsilon_0$, the **main system** possesses a unique hyperbolic periodic orbit $\gamma_\epsilon(t) = \bar{z} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$ of the same stability type as \bar{z} .

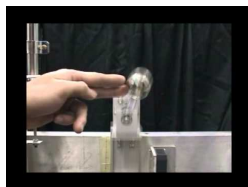
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Fixed suspension point:

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\theta = \frac{g}{l} \sin \theta$$

g : free fall acceleration, l : pendulum's length, θ : angle to the vertical;
 $\theta = \pi$ stable and $\theta = 0$ unstable equilibrium.

Suspension point in vertical oscillation:



Dynamics of the suspension point: $z = \frac{v}{\Omega} \cos(\Omega t)$ ($a = v/\Omega > 0$
amplitude and Ω frequency).

Pendulum's dynamics: replace acceleration g by $g + \ddot{z} = g - v\Omega \cos(\Omega t)$,

$$\frac{d}{dt}\theta = \omega, \quad \frac{d}{dt}\omega = \frac{g - v\Omega \cos(\Omega t)}{l} \sin \theta.$$

Replacing the velocity ω by the momentum $p_\theta = \omega + \frac{v \sin(\Omega t)}{l} \sin \theta$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}\theta &= p_\theta - \frac{v \sin(\Omega t)}{l} \sin \theta, \\ \frac{d}{dt}p_\theta &= \left(\frac{g}{l} - \frac{v^2 \sin^2(\Omega t)}{l^2} \cos \theta \right) \sin \theta + \frac{v \sin(\Omega t)}{l} p_\theta \cos \theta. \end{aligned}$$

For large enough Ω , we can average these time-periodic dynamics over $[t - \pi/\Omega, t + \pi/\Omega]$:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\theta = p_\theta, \quad \frac{d}{dt}p_\theta = \left(\frac{g}{l} - \frac{v^2}{2l^2} \cos \theta \right) \sin \theta.$$

Around $\theta = 0$ the approximation of small angles gives $\frac{d^2}{dt^2}\theta = \frac{g-v^2/2l}{l}\theta$.
If $v^2/2l > g$ then the system becomes stable around $\theta = 0$.

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Bilinear Schrödinger equation

Un-measured quantum system \rightarrow **Bilinear Schrödinger equation**

$$i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = (\mathbf{H}_0 + u(t)\mathbf{H}_1) |\psi\rangle,$$

- $|\psi\rangle \in \mathcal{H}$ the system's wavefunction with $\| |\psi\rangle \|_{\mathcal{H}} = 1$;
- the free Hamiltonian, \mathbf{H}_0 , is a Hermitian operator defined on \mathcal{H} ;
- the control Hamiltonian, \mathbf{H}_1 , is a Hermitian operator defined on \mathcal{H} ;
- the control $u(t) : \mathbb{R}^+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ is a scalar control.

Formal computations $\dim(\mathcal{H})$ arbitrary. Mathematical proofs $\dim(\mathcal{H})$ finite

Two key examples:

- Qubit: $\mathbf{H}_0 + u(t)\mathbf{H}_1 = \frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \sigma_z + \frac{u(t)}{2} \sigma_x$.
- Quantum harmonic oscillator:
 $\mathbf{H}_0 + u(t)\mathbf{H}_1 = \omega_c(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}) + u(t)(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)$.

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;
- $\epsilon \mathbf{u}_j$ is the constant complex amplitude associated to the pulsation $\omega_j \geq 0$;
- r stands for the number of independent frequencies ($\omega_j \neq \omega_k$ for $j \neq k$).

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

$$\frac{d}{dt} |\psi_\epsilon\rangle = \left(\mathbf{A}_0 + \epsilon \left(\sum_{j=1}^r \mathbf{u}_j e^{i\omega_j t} + \mathbf{u}_j^* e^{-i\omega_j t} \right) \mathbf{A}_1 \right) |\psi_\epsilon\rangle$$

where $\mathbf{A}_0 = -i\mathbf{H}_0$ and $\mathbf{A}_1 = -i\mathbf{H}_1$ are skew-Hermitian.

Rotating frame

Consider the following change of variables

$$|\psi_\epsilon\rangle_t = e^{\mathbf{A}_0 t} |\phi_\epsilon\rangle_t.$$

The resulting system is said to be in the “interaction frame”

$$\frac{d}{dt} |\phi_\epsilon\rangle = \epsilon \mathbf{B}(t) |\phi_\epsilon\rangle$$

where $\mathbf{B}(t)$ is a skew-Hermitian operator whose time-dependence is almost periodic:

$$\mathbf{B}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^r \mathbf{u}_j e^{i\omega_j t} e^{-\mathbf{A}_0 t} \mathbf{A}_1 e^{\mathbf{A}_0 t} + \mathbf{u}_j^* e^{-i\omega_j t} e^{-\mathbf{A}_0 t} \mathbf{A}_1 e^{\mathbf{A}_0 t}.$$

Main idea

We can write

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

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

Multi-frequency averaging: first order

Consider the two systems

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

and

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

initialized at the same state $|\phi_\epsilon^{1st}\rangle_0 = |\phi_\epsilon\rangle_0$.

Theorem: first order approximation (Rotating Wave Approximation)

Consider the functions $|\phi_\epsilon\rangle$ and $|\phi_\epsilon^{1st}\rangle$ 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

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

Multi-frequency averaging: first order

Proof's idea

Almost periodic change of variables:

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

well-defined for $\epsilon > 0$ sufficiently small.

The dynamics can be written as

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

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

Multi-frequency averaging: second order

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

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

- $\mathbf{E}(\epsilon, t)$ is still almost periodic but its entries are no more linear combinations of time-exponentials;
- $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(t)\frac{d}{dt}\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(t)$ is an almost periodic operator whose entries are linear combinations of oscillating time-exponentials.

We can write

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(t) = \frac{d}{dt}\tilde{\mathbf{C}}(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{B}}(t)\frac{d}{dt}\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(t) = \bar{\mathbf{D}} + \frac{d}{dt}\tilde{\mathbf{D}}(t)$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{C}}(t)$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}(t)$ are almost periodic. We have

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

where the skew-Hermitian operators $\bar{\mathbf{B}}$ and $\bar{\mathbf{D}}$ are constants and the other ones $\tilde{\mathbf{C}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{D}}$, and \mathbf{E} are almost periodic.

Multi-frequency averaging: second order

Consider the two systems

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

and

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

both initialized at $|\phi_\epsilon\rangle_0$.

Theorem: second order approximation

Consider $|\phi_\epsilon\rangle_t$ and $|\phi_\epsilon^{2\text{nd}}\rangle_t$ solutions of the above dynamics. Then, there exist $M > 0$ and $\eta > 0$ such that for all $\epsilon \in]0, \eta]$ we have

$$\max_{t \in \left[0, \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right]} \left\| |\phi_\epsilon\rangle_t - (I + \epsilon\tilde{\mathbf{B}}(t))|\phi_\epsilon^{2\text{nd}}\rangle_t \right\| \leq M\epsilon^2$$

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

Multi-frequency averaging: second order

Proof's idea

Another almost periodic change of variables

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

The dynamics can be written as

$$\frac{d}{dt} |\xi_\epsilon\rangle = \left(\epsilon \bar{\mathbf{B}} - \epsilon^2 \bar{\mathbf{D}} + \epsilon^3 \mathbf{F}(\epsilon, t) \right) |\xi_\epsilon\rangle$$

where $\epsilon \bar{\mathbf{B}} - \epsilon^2 \bar{\mathbf{D}}$ is skew Hermitian and \mathbf{F} is almost periodic and therefore uniformly bounded in time.

The Rotating Wave Approximation (RWA) recipes

Schrödinger dynamics $i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = \mathbf{H}(t) |\psi\rangle$, with

$$\mathbf{H}(t) = \mathbf{H}_0 + \sum_{k=1}^m u_k(t) \mathbf{H}_k, \quad u_k(t) = \sum_{j=1}^r \mathbf{u}_{k,j} e^{i\omega_j t} + \mathbf{u}_{k,j}^* e^{-i\omega_j t}.$$

The Hamiltonian in interaction frame

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}(t) = \sum_{k,j} \left(\mathbf{u}_{k,j} e^{i\omega_j t} + \mathbf{u}_{k,j}^* e^{-i\omega_j t} \right) e^{i\mathbf{H}_0 t} \mathbf{H}_k e^{-i\mathbf{H}_0 t}$$

We define the **first order Hamiltonian**

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} = \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}(t) dt,$$

and the **second order Hamiltonian**

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}} = \mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} - i \overline{\left(\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}} \right) \left(\int_t (\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}}) \right)}$$

Choose the amplitudes $\mathbf{u}_{k,j}$ and the frequencies ω_j such that the propagators of $\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}}$ or $\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}}$ admit simple explicit forms that are used to find $t \mapsto u(t)$ steering $|\psi\rangle$ from one location to another one.

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$$i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = \left(\frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \sigma_z + \frac{u(t)}{2} \sigma_x \right) |\psi\rangle,$$

take a resonant control $u(t) = \mathbf{u} e^{i\omega_{eg}t} + \mathbf{u}^* e^{-i\omega_{eg}t}$ with \mathbf{u} slowly varying complex amplitude $|\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{u}| \ll \omega_{eg} |\mathbf{u}|$. 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**:

$$i \frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = \frac{u(t)}{2} e^{\frac{i\omega_{eg}t}{2} \sigma_z} \sigma_x e^{-\frac{i\omega_{eg}t}{2} \sigma_z} |\phi\rangle = \mathbf{H}_{int} |\phi\rangle$$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{H}_{int} = \frac{u(t)}{2} e^{i\omega_{eg}t} \overbrace{\frac{\sigma_x + i\sigma_y}{2}}^{\sigma_+ = |e\rangle\langle g|} + \frac{u(t)}{2} e^{-i\omega_{eg}t} \overbrace{\frac{\sigma_x - i\sigma_y}{2}}^{\sigma_- = |g\rangle\langle e|}$$

The RWA consists in neglecting the oscillating terms at frequency $2\omega_{eg}$ when $|\mathbf{u}| \ll \omega_{eg}$:

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

Thus

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

Second order approximation and Bloch-Siegert shift

The decomposition of \mathbf{H}_{int} ,

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} = \underbrace{\frac{u^*}{2} \sigma_+ + \frac{u}{2} \sigma_-}_{\overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}}} + \underbrace{\frac{ue^{2i\omega_{\text{eg}}t}}{2} \sigma_+ + \frac{u^*e^{-2i\omega_{\text{eg}}t}}{2} \sigma_-}_{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}}},$$

provides the **first order approximation** (RWA)

$\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} = \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}(t) dt$, and also the second order

approximation $\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}} = \mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} - i \overline{\left(\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}} \right) \left(\int_t (\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}}) \right)}$. Since

$\int_t \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}} = \frac{ue^{2i\omega_{\text{eg}}t}}{4i\omega_{\text{eg}}} \sigma_+ - \frac{u^*e^{-2i\omega_{\text{eg}}t}}{4i\omega_{\text{eg}}} \sigma_-$, we have

$$\overline{\left(\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}} \right) \left(\int_t (\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{int}}) \right)} = -\frac{|u|^2}{8i\omega_{\text{eg}}} \sigma_z$$

(use $\sigma_+^2 = \sigma_-^2 = 0$ and $\sigma_z = \sigma_+ \sigma_- - \sigma_- \sigma_+$).

The **second order approximation** reads:

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

The 2nd order correction $\frac{|u|^2}{4\omega_{\text{eg}}} (\sigma_z/2)$ is called the **Bloch-Siegert shift**.

Exercise: controllability of the 2-level systems and Rabi oscillation

Take the first order approximation

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

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 $\mathbf{U}_t \in SU(2)$, $i \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{U} = \frac{\Omega_r (\cos \theta \sigma_x + \sin \theta \sigma_y)}{2} \mathbf{U}$, $\mathbf{U}_0 = \mathbf{I}$ is given by

$$\mathbf{U}_T = \cos \Theta_r \mathbf{I} - i \sin \Theta_r (\cos \theta \sigma_x + \sin \theta \sigma_y),$$

- 3 Take a wave function $|\bar{\phi}\rangle$. Show that exist Ω_r and θ such that $\mathbf{U}_T |g\rangle = e^{i\alpha} |\bar{\phi}\rangle$, 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 $|\phi\rangle_{2T} = e^{i\beta} |\phi_b\rangle$ for some global phase β .

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The Schrödinger system

$$i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = \left(\frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{\mathbf{1}}{2} \right) + i \frac{\Omega}{2} \sigma_x (\mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{a}) \right) |\psi\rangle$$

corresponds to **two coupled scalar PDE's**:

$$i \frac{\partial \psi_e}{\partial t} = + \frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \psi_e + \frac{\omega_c}{2} \left(x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \psi_e - i \frac{\Omega}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi_g$$
$$i \frac{\partial \psi_g}{\partial t} = - \frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \psi_g + \frac{\omega_c}{2} \left(x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \psi_g - i \frac{\Omega}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi_e$$

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

Resonant case: passage to the interaction frame

In

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

take $\omega_{\text{eg}} = \omega_c + \Delta$ with $|\Omega|, |\Delta| \ll \omega_c$. Then $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_0 + \epsilon \mathbf{H}_1$ where ϵ is a small parameter and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_0 &= \frac{\omega}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ \epsilon \mathbf{H}_1 &= \frac{\Delta}{2} \sigma_z + i \frac{\Omega}{2} \sigma_x (\mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{a}). \end{aligned}$$

\mathbf{H}_{int} is obtained by setting $|\psi\rangle = e^{-i\omega_c t} (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}) e^{-\frac{i\omega_c t}{2} \sigma_z} |\phi\rangle$ in $i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = \mathbf{H} |\psi\rangle$ to get $i \frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} |\phi\rangle$ with

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} = \frac{\Delta}{2} \sigma_z + i \frac{\Omega}{2} (e^{-i\omega_c t} \sigma_- + e^{i\omega_c t} \sigma_+) (e^{i\omega_c t} \mathbf{a}^\dagger - e^{-i\omega_c t} \mathbf{a})$$

where we used

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

Resonant case: first order (Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian)

The secular terms in \mathbf{H}_{int} are given by (RWA, first order approximation)

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} = \frac{\Delta}{2} \sigma_z + i \frac{\Omega}{2} (\sigma_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \sigma_- \mathbf{a}).$$

Since quantum state $|\phi\rangle = e^{+i\omega_c t} (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2}) e^{\frac{i\omega_c t}{2} \sigma_z} |\psi\rangle$ obeys approximatively to $i \frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = \mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} |\phi\rangle$, the original quantum state $|\psi\rangle$ is governed by

$$i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = \left(\frac{\omega_c + \Delta}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right) + i \frac{\Omega}{2} (\sigma_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \sigma_- \mathbf{a}) \right) |\psi\rangle$$

The Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian ($\omega_{\text{eg}} = \omega_c + \Delta$ with $|\Delta|, |\Omega| \ll \omega_c$) reads:

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{JC}} = \frac{\omega_c + \Delta}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right) + i \frac{\Omega}{2} (\sigma_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \sigma_- \mathbf{a})$$

The corresponding PDE is (case $\Delta = 0$):

$$\begin{aligned} i \frac{\partial \psi_e}{\partial t} &= \frac{\omega_c + \Delta}{2} \psi_e + \frac{\omega_c}{2} \left(x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \psi_e - i \frac{\Omega}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(x - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \psi_g \\ i \frac{\partial \psi_g}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\omega_c + \Delta}{2} \psi_g + \frac{\omega_c}{2} \left(x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \psi_g + i \frac{\Omega}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \psi_e \end{aligned}$$

For $\omega_c \gg |\Delta| \gg |\Omega|$, the dominant term in

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} = \frac{\Delta}{2} \sigma_z + i \frac{\Omega}{2} (\sigma_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \sigma_- \mathbf{a})$$

is an isolated qubit. To make the interaction dominant, we go to the interaction frame with ($\omega_{\text{eg}} = \omega_c + \Delta$)

$$\mathbf{H}_0 = \frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \sigma_z + \omega_c \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right), \quad \epsilon \mathbf{H}_1 = i \frac{\Omega}{2} \sigma_x (\mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{a}).$$

By setting $|\psi\rangle = e^{-i\omega_c t (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2})} e^{-\frac{i\omega_{\text{eg}} t}{2} \sigma_z} |\phi\rangle$ we get $i \frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} |\phi\rangle$ with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} &= i \frac{\Omega}{2} (e^{-i\omega_{\text{eg}} t} \sigma_- + e^{i\omega_{\text{eg}} t} \sigma_+) (e^{i\omega_c t} \mathbf{a}^\dagger - e^{-i\omega_c t} \mathbf{a}) \\ &= i \frac{\Omega}{2} \left(e^{-i\Delta t} \sigma_- \mathbf{a}^\dagger - e^{i\Delta t} \sigma_+ \mathbf{a} + e^{i(2\omega_c + \Delta)t} \sigma_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger - e^{-i(2\omega_c + \Delta)t} \sigma_- \mathbf{a} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{1\text{st}} = \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}} = 0$: no secular term. We have to compute

$\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}} = \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}} - i \left(\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}} \right) \left(\int_t (\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}}) \right)$ where $\int_t (\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} - \overline{\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}})$ corresponds to

$$-\frac{\Omega}{2} \left(\frac{e^{-i\Delta t}}{\Delta} \sigma_- \mathbf{a}^\dagger + \frac{e^{i\Delta t}}{\Delta} \sigma_+ \mathbf{a} - \frac{e^{i(2\omega_c + \Delta)t}}{2\omega_c + \Delta} \sigma_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \frac{e^{-i(2\omega_c + \Delta)t}}{2\omega_c + \Delta} \sigma_- \mathbf{a} \right)$$

The secular terms in $\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}}$ are

$$\frac{-\Omega^2}{4\Delta} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_+ \mathbf{a} \mathbf{a}^\dagger) + \frac{-\Omega^2}{4(\omega_c + \omega_{\text{eg}})} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_+ \mathbf{a} \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_+ \mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})$$

Since $|\Omega| \ll |\Delta| \ll \omega_{\text{eg}}, \omega_c$, we have $\frac{\Omega^2}{4(\omega_c + \omega_{\text{eg}})} \ll \frac{\Omega^2}{4\Delta}$

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}} \approx \frac{\Omega^2}{4\Delta} (\mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2}) + \frac{1}{2}.$$

Since quantum state $|\phi\rangle = e^{+i\omega_c t(\mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2})} e^{\frac{+i\omega_{\text{eg}} t}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_z} |\psi\rangle$ obeys approximately to

$i \frac{d}{dt} |\phi\rangle = \mathbf{H}_{\text{rwa}}^{2\text{nd}} |\phi\rangle$, the original quantum state $|\psi\rangle$ is governed by

$i \frac{d}{dt} |\psi\rangle = \left(\mathbf{H}_{\text{disp}} + \frac{\Omega^2}{8\Delta} \right) |\psi\rangle$ with

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{disp}} = \frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_z + \omega_c (\mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2}) - \frac{\chi}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_z (\mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2}) \quad \text{and} \quad \chi = \frac{-\Omega^2}{2\Delta}$$

The corresponding PDE is :

$$i \frac{\partial \psi_e}{\partial t} = + \frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \psi_e + \frac{1}{2} (\omega_c - \frac{\chi}{2}) (x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}) \psi_e$$

$$i \frac{\partial \psi_g}{\partial t} = - \frac{\omega_{\text{eg}}}{2} \psi_g + \frac{1}{2} (\omega_c + \frac{\chi}{2}) (x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}) \psi_g$$

Exercise: resonant spin-spring system with controls

Consider the resonant spin-spring model with $\Omega \ll |\omega|$:

$$H = \frac{\omega}{2} \sigma_z + \omega \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right) + i \frac{\Omega}{2} \sigma_x (\mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{a}) + u(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)$$

with a real control input $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}$:

- 1 Show that with the resonant control $u(t) = \mathbf{u} e^{-i\omega t} + \mathbf{u}^* e^{i\omega t}$ with complex amplitude \mathbf{u} such that $|\mathbf{u}| \ll \omega$, the first order RWA approximation yields the following dynamics in the interaction frame:

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

- 2 Set $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{C}$ solution of $\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{v} = -i\mathbf{u}$ and consider the following change of frame $|\phi\rangle = D_{-\mathbf{v}} |\psi\rangle$ with the displacement operator $D_{-\mathbf{v}} = e^{-\mathbf{v} \mathbf{a}^\dagger + \mathbf{v}^* \mathbf{a}}$. Show that, up to a global phase change, we have, with $\tilde{\mathbf{u}} = i \frac{\Omega}{2} \mathbf{v}$,

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

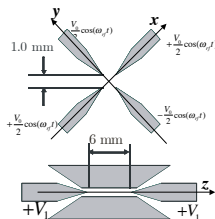
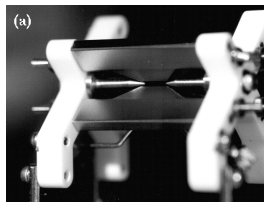
- 3 Take the orthonormal basis $\{|g, n\rangle, |e, n\rangle\}$ with $n \in \mathbb{N}$ being the photon number and where for instance $|g, n\rangle$ stands for the tensor product $|g\rangle \otimes |n\rangle$. Set $|\phi\rangle = \sum_n \phi_{g,n} |g, n\rangle + \phi_{e,n} |e, n\rangle$ with $\phi_{g,n},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

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

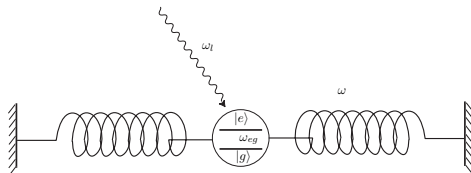
and $i \frac{d}{dt} \phi_{g,0} = \tilde{\mathbf{u}}^* \phi_{e,0}$.

- 4 Assume that $|\phi\rangle_0 = |g, 0\rangle$. Construct an open-loop control $[0, T] \ni t \mapsto \tilde{\mathbf{u}}(t)$ such that $|\phi\rangle_T \approx |g, 1\rangle$ (hint: use an impulse for $t \in [0, \epsilon]$ followed by 0 on $[\epsilon, T]$ with $\epsilon \ll T$ and well chosen T).
- 5 Generalize the above open-loop control when the goal state $|\phi\rangle_T$ is $|g, n\rangle$ with any arbitrary photon number n .

A single trapped ion



1D ion trap, picture borrowed from S. Haroche course at CDF.



A classical cartoon of spin-spring system.

A single trapped ion

A composite system:

internal degree of freedom + vibration inside the 1D trap

Hilbert space:

$$\mathbb{C}^2 \otimes L^2(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C})$$

Hamiltonian:

$$H = \omega_m \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \sigma_z + \left(u_l e^{i(\omega_l t - \eta_l (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} + u_l^* e^{-i(\omega_l t - \eta_l (\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} \right) \sigma_x$$

Parameters:

ω_m : harmonic oscillator of the trap,

ω_{eg} : optical transition of the internal state,

ω_l : lasers frequency,

$\eta_l = \omega_l/c$: Lamb-Dicke parameter.

Scales:

$$|\omega_l - \omega_{eg}| \ll \omega_{eg}, \quad \omega_m \ll \omega_{eg}, \quad |u_l| \ll \omega_{eg}, \quad \left| \frac{d}{dt} u_l \right| \ll \omega_{eg} |u_l|.$$

The Schrödinger equation $i\frac{d}{dt}|\psi\rangle = \mathbf{H}|\psi\rangle$, with

$$\mathbf{H} = \omega_m \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{\mathbf{I}}{2} \right) + \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \sigma_z + \left(u_l e^{i(\omega_l t - \eta_l(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} + u_l^* e^{-i(\omega_l t - \eta_l(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} \right) \sigma_x$$

can be written in the form

$$i\frac{\partial \psi_g}{\partial t} = \frac{\omega_m}{2} \left(x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \psi_g - \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \psi_g + \left(u_l e^{i(\omega_l t - \sqrt{2}\eta_l x)} + u_l^* e^{-i(\omega_l t - \sqrt{2}\eta_l x)} \right) \psi_e,$$

$$i\frac{\partial \psi_e}{\partial t} = \frac{\omega_m}{2} \left(x^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \psi_e + \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \psi_e + \left(u_l e^{i(\omega_l t - \sqrt{2}\eta_l x)} + u_l^* e^{-i(\omega_l t - \sqrt{2}\eta_l x)} \right) \psi_g.$$

- This system is approximately controllable in $(L^2(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}))^2$:
S. Ervedoza and J.-P. Puel, Annales de l'IHP (c), 26(6): 2111-2136, 2009.

Main idea

Control is superposition of 3 mono-chromatic plane waves with:

- 1 frequency ω_{eg} (ion transition frequency) and amplitude u ;
- 2 frequency $\omega_{eg} - \omega_m$ (red shift by a vibration quantum) and amplitude u_r ;
- 3 frequency $\omega_{eg} + \omega_m$ (blue shift by a vibration quantum) and amplitude u_b ;

Control Hamiltonian:

$$\begin{aligned} H = & \omega_m \left(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\omega_{eg}}{2} \sigma_z + \left(u e^{i(\omega_{eg}t - \eta(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} + u^* e^{-i(\omega_{eg}t - \eta(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} \right) \sigma_x \\ & + \left(u_b e^{i((\omega_{eg} + \omega_m)t - \eta_b(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} + u_b^* e^{-i((\omega_{eg} + \omega_m)t - \eta_b(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} \right) \sigma_x \\ & + \left(u_r e^{i((\omega_{eg} - \omega_m)t - \eta_r(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} + u_r^* e^{-i((\omega_{eg} - \omega_m)t - \eta_r(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger))} \right) \sigma_x. \end{aligned}$$

Lamb-Dicke parameters:

$$\eta = \eta_{eg} \approx \eta_r \approx \eta_b \ll 1.$$

Law-Eberly method: rotating frame

Rotating frame: $|\psi\rangle = e^{-i\omega_m t(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2})} e^{\frac{-i\omega_{eg} t}{2} \sigma_z} |\phi\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{int}} = & e^{i\omega_m t(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})} \left(u e^{i\omega_{eg} t} e^{-i\eta(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)} + u^* e^{-i\omega_{eg} t} e^{i\eta(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)} \right) \\ & e^{-i\omega_m t(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})} \left(e^{i\omega_{eg} t} |e\rangle\langle g| + e^{-i\omega_{eg} t} |g\rangle\langle e| \right) \\ + & e^{i\omega_m t(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})} \left(u_b e^{i(\omega_{eg} + \omega_m)t} e^{-i\eta_b(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)} + u_b^* e^{-i(\omega_{eg} + \omega_m)t} e^{i\eta_b(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)} \right) \\ & e^{-i\omega_m t(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})} \left(e^{i\omega_{eg} t} |e\rangle\langle g| + e^{-i\omega_{eg} t} |g\rangle\langle e| \right) \\ + & e^{i\omega_m t(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})} \left(u_r e^{i(\omega_{eg} - \omega_m)t} e^{-i\eta_r(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)} + u_r^* e^{-i(\omega_{eg} - \omega_m)t} e^{i\eta_r(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)} \right) \\ & e^{-i\omega_m t(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})} \left(e^{i\omega_{eg} t} |e\rangle\langle g| + e^{-i\omega_{eg} t} |g\rangle\langle e| \right) \end{aligned}$$

Law-Eberly method: RWA

Commutation of exponentials in $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)$ and $(\mathbf{a}^\dagger \mathbf{a})$ is non-trivial.

- Approximation $e^{i\epsilon(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)} \approx 1 + i\epsilon(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)$ for $\epsilon = \pm\eta, \eta_b, \eta_r$

Then averaging: neglecting highly oscillating terms of frequencies $2\omega_{\text{eg}}, 2\omega_{\text{eg}} \pm \omega_m, 2(\omega_{\text{eg}} \pm \omega_m)$ and $\pm\omega_m$, as

$$|u|, |u_b|, |u_r| \ll \omega_m, \left| \frac{d}{dt} u \right| \ll \omega_m |u|, \left| \frac{d}{dt} u_b \right| \ll \omega_m |u_b|, \left| \frac{d}{dt} u_r \right| \ll \omega_m |u_r|.$$

First order approximation:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\text{rwa}} = & u|g\rangle\langle e| + u^*|e\rangle\langle g| + \bar{u}_b \mathbf{a}|g\rangle\langle e| + \bar{u}_b^* \mathbf{a}^\dagger|e\rangle\langle g| \\ & + \bar{u}_r \mathbf{a}^\dagger|g\rangle\langle e| + \bar{u}_r^* \mathbf{a}|e\rangle\langle g| \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\bar{u}_b = -i\eta_b u_b \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{u}_r = -i\eta_r u_r$$

$$i\frac{\partial\phi_g}{\partial t} = \left(u + \frac{\bar{u}_b}{\sqrt{2}} \left(x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\bar{u}_r}{\sqrt{2}} \left(x - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \right) \phi_e$$
$$i\frac{\partial\phi_e}{\partial t} = \left(u^* + \frac{\bar{u}_b^*}{\sqrt{2}} \left(x - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\bar{u}_r^*}{\sqrt{2}} \left(x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \right) \phi_g$$

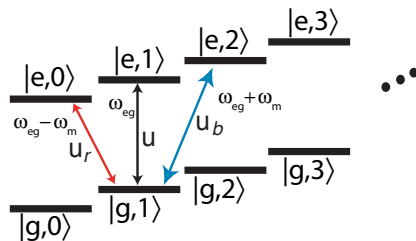
Hilbert basis: $\{|g, n\rangle, |e, n\rangle\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$

Dynamics:

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \phi_{g,n} = u \phi_{e,n} + \bar{u}_r \sqrt{n} \phi_{e,n-1} + \bar{u}_b \sqrt{n+1} \phi_{e,n+1}$$

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \phi_{e,n} = u^* \phi_{g,n} + \bar{u}_r^* \sqrt{n+1} \phi_{g,n+1} + \bar{u}_b^* \sqrt{n} \phi_{g,n-1}$$

Physical interpretation:



Truncation to n -phonon space:

$$\mathcal{H}_n = \text{span} \{ |g, 0\rangle, |e, 0\rangle, \dots, |g, n\rangle, |e, n\rangle \}$$

We consider $|\phi\rangle_0, |\phi\rangle_T \in \mathcal{H}_n$ and we look for u , \bar{u}_b and \bar{u}_r , s.t.

for $|\phi\rangle(t=0) = |\phi\rangle_0$ we have $|\phi\rangle(t=T) = |\phi\rangle_T$.

- If u^1 , \bar{u}_b^1 and \bar{u}_r^1 bring $|\phi\rangle_0$ to $|g, 0\rangle$ at time $T/2$,
- and u^2 , \bar{u}_b^2 and \bar{u}_r^2 bring $|\phi\rangle_T$ to $|g, 0\rangle$ at time $T/2$,

then

$$\begin{aligned} u &= u^1, & u_b &= u_b^1, & u_r &= u_r^1 & \text{for } t \in [0, T/2], \\ u &= -u^2, & u_b &= -u_b^2, & u_r &= -u_r^2 & \text{for } t \in [T/2, T], \end{aligned}$$

bring $|\phi\rangle_0$ to $|\phi\rangle_T$ at time T .

Take $|\phi_0\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_n$ and $\bar{T} > 0$:

- For $t \in [0, \frac{\bar{T}}{2}]$, $\bar{u}_r(t) = \bar{u}_b(t) = 0$, and

$$\bar{u}(t) = \frac{2i}{\bar{T}} \arctan \left| \frac{\phi_{e,n}(0)}{\phi_{g,n}(0)} \right| e^{i \arg(\phi_{g,n}(0)\phi_{e,n}^*(0))}$$

implies $\phi_{e,n}(\bar{T}/2) = 0$;

- For $t \in [\frac{\bar{T}}{2}, \bar{T}]$, $\bar{u}_b(t) = \bar{u}(t) = 0$, and

$$\bar{u}_r(t) = \frac{2i}{\bar{T}\sqrt{n}} \arctan \left| \frac{\phi_{g,n}(\frac{\bar{T}}{2})}{\phi_{e,n-1}(\frac{\bar{T}}{2})} \right| e^{i \arg\left(\phi_{g,n}(\frac{\bar{T}}{2})\phi_{e,n-1}^*(\frac{\bar{T}}{2})\right)}$$

implies that $\phi_{e,n}(\bar{T}) = 0$ and that $\phi_{g,n}(\bar{T}) = 0$.

The two pulses \bar{u} and \bar{u}_r lead to some $|\phi\rangle(\bar{T}) \in \mathcal{H}_{n-1}$.

Repeating n times, we have

$$|\phi\rangle(n\bar{T}) \in \mathcal{H}_0 = \text{span}\{|g, 0\rangle, |e, 0\rangle\}.$$

- for $t \in [n\bar{T}, (n + \frac{1}{2})\bar{T}]$, the control

$$\bar{u}_r(t) = \bar{u}_b(t) = 0,$$

$$\bar{u}(t) = \frac{2i}{\bar{T}} \arctan \left| \frac{\phi_{e,0}(n\bar{T})}{\phi_{g,0}(n\bar{T})} \right| e^{i \arg(\phi_{g,0}(n\bar{T})\phi_{e,0}^*(n\bar{T}))}$$

implies $|\phi\rangle_{(n+\frac{1}{2})\bar{T}} = e^{i\theta} |g, 0\rangle.$