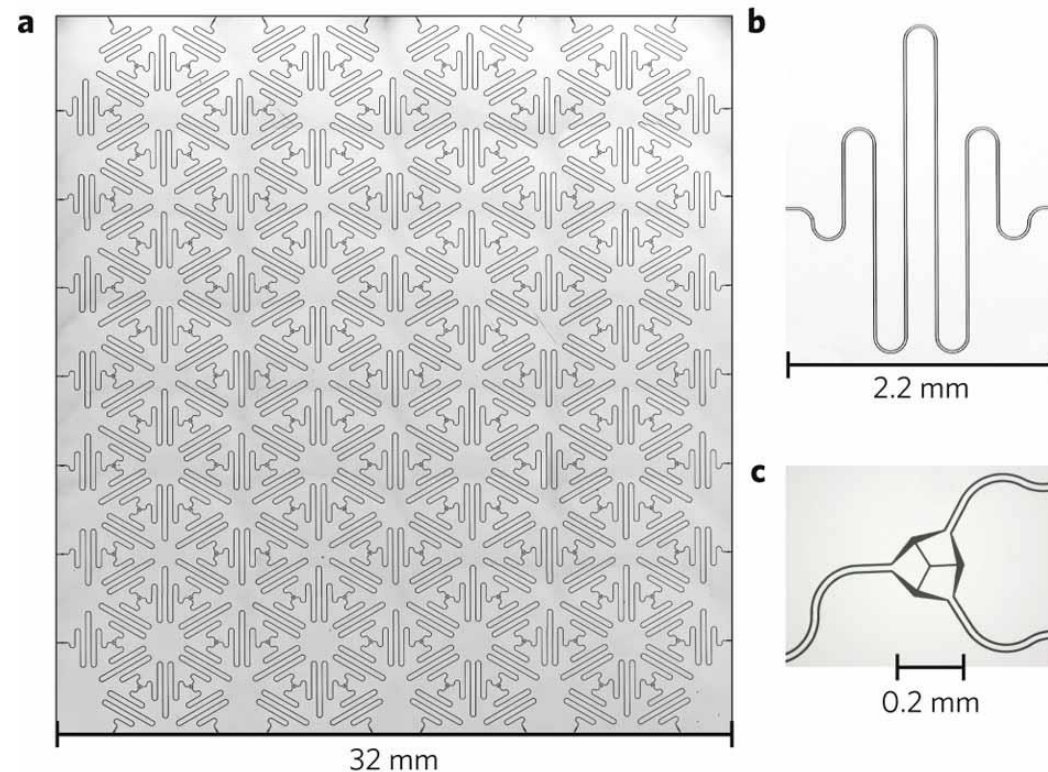


Perturbative approach to open circuit QED systems

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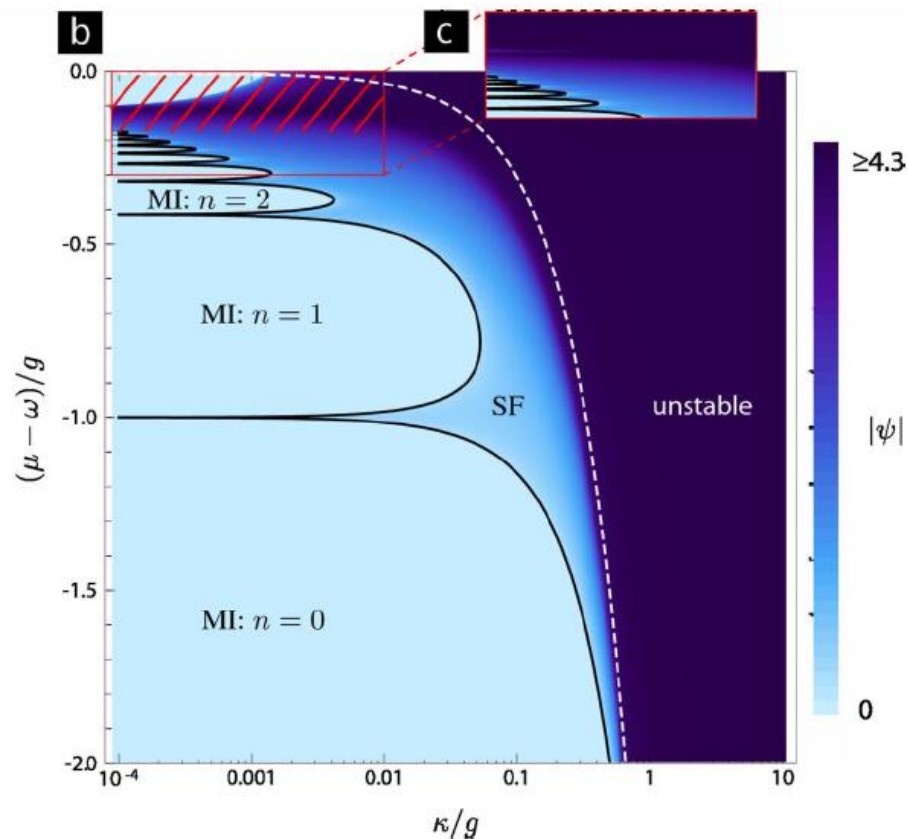
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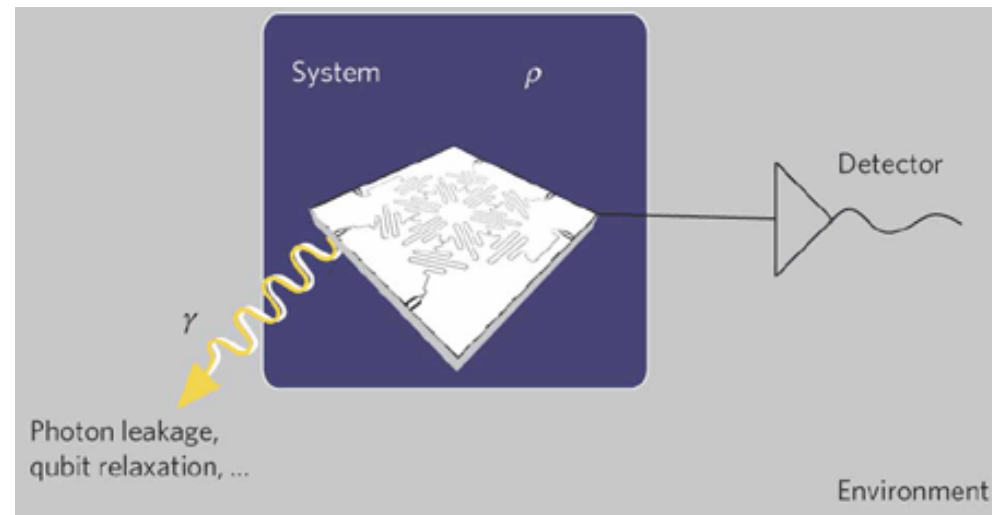
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Motivation – Quantum Simulators



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Jaynes-Cummings lattice

- Closed systems: Superfluid (SF) to Mott Insulator (MI) phase transition
- Circuit QED systems: zero chemical potential for photon, external drive, photon leakage and qubit relaxation.

=> **Open systems**

Outline

- Perturbation Theory (PT) for Markovian open quantum systems
- PT vs exact result: good agreement

Master equation

- Master equation:

$$\text{Density matrix} \rightarrow \frac{d\rho}{dt} = \mathbb{L}\rho = -i[H, \rho] + \mathbb{D}\rho$$

↑ Liouville superoperator (non-Hermitian)
 ↓ Dissipator

- Eigenvalues problem:

$\therefore \mathbb{L}$ may not be diagonalizable

$$\mathbb{L}u_\mu = \lambda_\mu u_\mu \qquad \mathbb{L}^\dagger w_\mu = \lambda_\mu^* w_\mu$$

$\therefore u_\mu$ and w_μ may not be complete

- Steady state ρ_s : $\frac{d\rho_s}{dt} = \mathbb{L}\rho_s = 0$

-> ρ_s : right eigenstate with eigenvalue zero

Perturbation Theory (PT)

- Difficult to obtain the eigenvalues and eigenstates
e.g. 16 spins

\mathbb{L} : $4^{16} \times 4^{16} \approx 4 \text{ billion} \times 4 \text{ billion!}$

- Approximation: PT (analogous to closed-system PT)
separate the Liouville superoperator

$$\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}_0 + \alpha \mathbb{L}_1$$

Unperturbed

Small parameter

Perturbation

Previous work on open-system PT

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- Series expansion of the steady state

$$\rho_s = \sum_{j \geq 0} \alpha^j \rho_s^{(j)}$$

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- Cannot apply to other eigenstates of \mathbb{L}
- Positivity of ρ_s is not mentioned

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Density-matrix PT

- The zeroth-order eigenvalue problem can be solved.

$$\mathbb{L}_0 u_\mu^{(0)} = \lambda_\mu^{(0)} u_\mu^{(0)} \quad \mathbb{L}_0^\dagger w_\mu^{(0)} = (\lambda_\mu^{(0)})^* w_\mu^{(0)}$$

- Series expansion

$$\mathbb{L} = \mathbb{L}_0 + \alpha \mathbb{L}_1 \quad \lambda_\mu = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha^j \lambda_\mu^{(j)} \quad u_\mu = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha^j u_\mu^{(j)}$$



Substitution

$$\mathbb{L} u_\mu = \lambda_\mu u_\mu$$

Density-matrix PT

non-invertible and not necessarily diagonalizable

- Group terms of the same order of α

$$\left(\mathbb{L}_0 - \lambda_\mu^{(0)} \right) u_\mu^{(j)} = -\mathbb{L}_1 u_\mu^{(j-1)} + \Delta_\mu^{(j)}$$

Solve



inner product

$$\langle x, y \rangle \equiv \text{Tr} [x^\dagger y]$$

$$\lambda_\mu^{(j)} = \left\langle w_\mu^{(0)}, \mathbb{L}_1 u_\mu^{(j-1)} \right\rangle - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \lambda_\mu^{(k)} \left\langle w_\mu^{(0)}, u_\mu^{(j-k)} \right\rangle$$


$$u_\mu^{(j)} = \left(\mathbb{L}_0 - \lambda_\mu^{(0)} \right)^{\leftarrow 1} \left(-\mathbb{L}_1 u_\mu^{(j-1)} + \Delta_\mu^{(j)} \right)$$

Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse

Steady state: issue of positivity

∴ probability is non-negative,
∴ positive-semidefinite

- Steady state


$$\rho_s = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha^j \rho_s^{(j)}$$

- Truncation to M -th order

$$\rho_s^{a;M} = \sum_{j=0}^M \alpha^j \rho_s^{(j)}$$



not necessary to be positive

Amplitude-matrix PT

- Since density matrix is positive-semidefinite,

$$\rho = \zeta \zeta^\dagger \longleftarrow \zeta \text{ amplitude matrix}$$

- If ρ_s is positive-definite, ζ_s is uniquely defined by Cholesky decomposition and has a series expansion $\zeta_s = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha^j \zeta_s^{(j)}$

$$\rho_s^{a;M} = \left(\sum_{j=0}^M \alpha^j \zeta_s^{(j)} \right) \left(\sum_{j=0}^M \alpha^j \zeta_s^{(j)} \right)^\dagger \text{ is always positive}$$

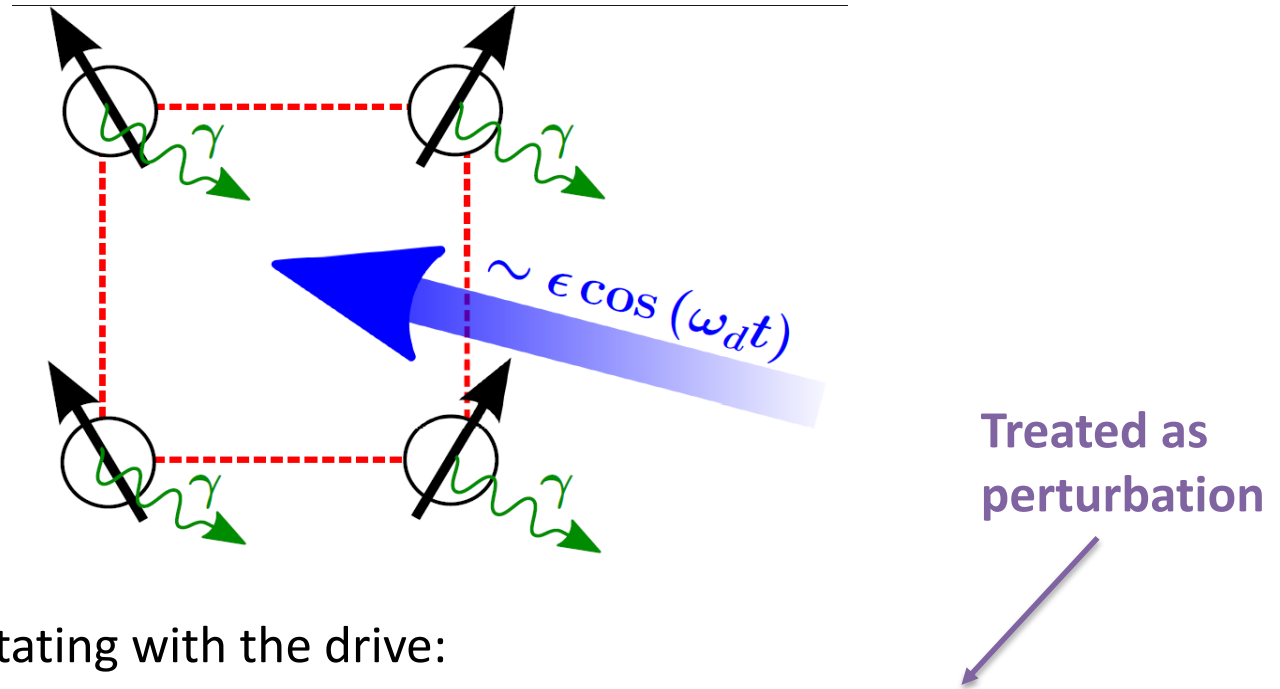
- Determination of each order:

$$\zeta_s^{(0)} \left(\zeta_s^{(0)} \right)^\dagger = \rho_s^{(0)}, \quad (\text{Cholesky decomposition})$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_0 \zeta_s^{(j)} = \rho_s^{(j)} - \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \zeta_s^{(k)} \left(\zeta_s^{(j-k)} \right)^\dagger \quad (\text{Recursive relation})$$

$$\text{where } \mathbb{Z}_0 \bullet = \zeta_s^{(0)} (\bullet)^\dagger + \bullet (\zeta_s^{(0)})^\dagger.$$

Example

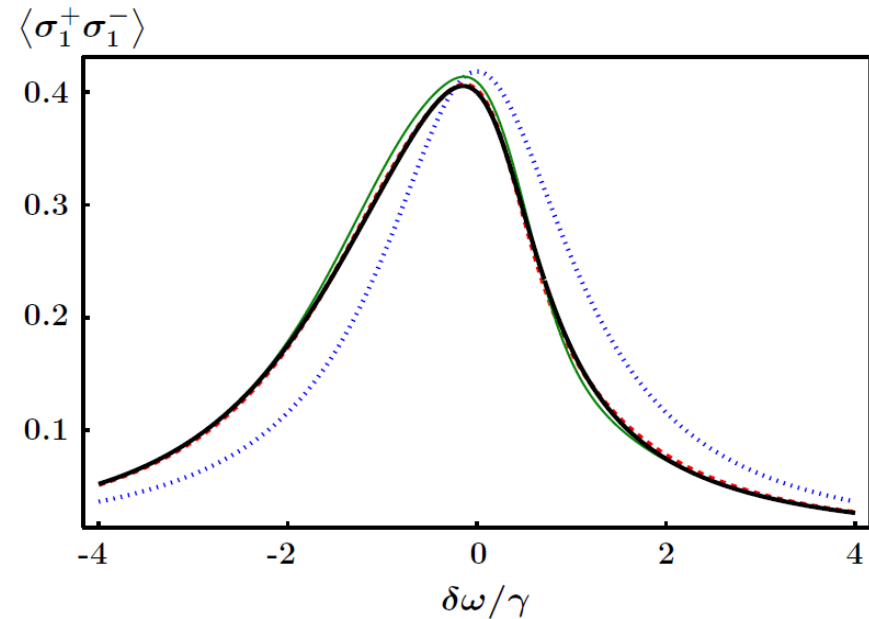
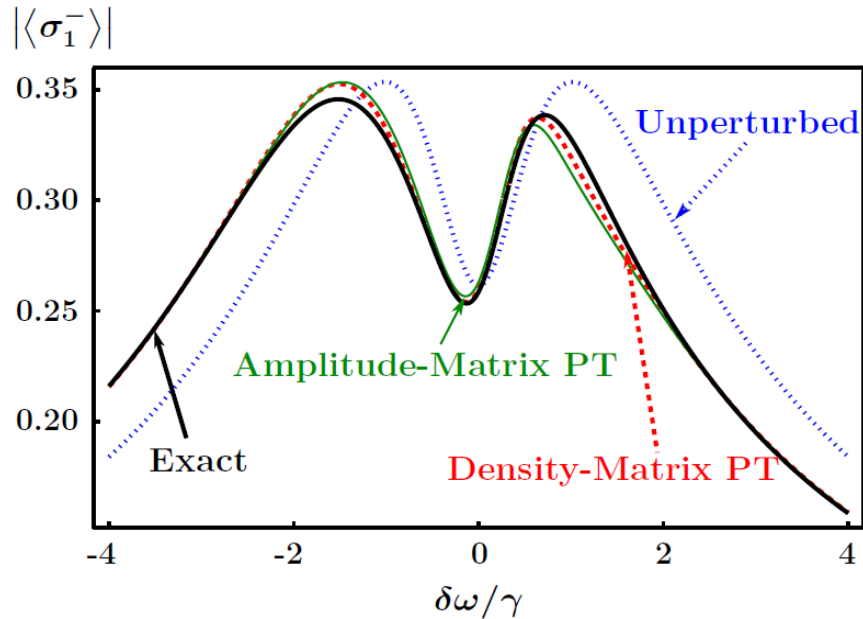


In frame co-rotating with the drive:

$$H = \sum_n \left[\delta\omega \sigma_n^+ \sigma_n^- + \epsilon(\sigma_n^+ + \sigma_n^-) \right] + t \sum_n (\sigma_n^+ \sigma_{n+1}^- + \text{h.c.})$$

$$\mathbb{L}\rho = -i[H, \rho] + \gamma \sum_n \mathbb{D}[\sigma_n^-] \rho$$

Second-order PT



Drive strength: $\frac{\epsilon}{\gamma} = 0.8$

Spin-spin coupling strength: $\frac{t}{\gamma} = 0.4$

Summary

- Density matrix PT
 - perturbative correction to eigenvalues and eigenstates of \mathbb{L} (e.g. steady state)
- Amplitude matrix PT
 - tackles the issue of positivity
- Two schemes provide similar accuracy for expectation values
- Outlook: lattice systems
 - systematic hierarchy of coupled clusters of sites