

## Decay and incoherent excitation

$$\partial_t \rho = \frac{i}{\hbar} [\rho, H] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \mathcal{L} L_k \rho$$

$$\mathcal{L} L_k \rho = (2 L_k \rho L_k^\dagger - L_k^\dagger L_k \rho - \rho L_k^\dagger L_k)$$

The master eq. is for  $\rho \rightarrow$  which generalizes  $|k\rangle$   
we can also find an equation for  $\langle \hat{o} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \hat{o} \rangle(t) &= \text{Tr}_S \{ \hat{o} \rho(t) \} \\ &= \text{Tr} \{ \hat{o} \rho(t) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{o} \partial_t \rho(t) = \partial_t (\hat{o} \rho(t))$$

$\hat{o}$ : is time independent

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr} \{ \hat{o} \partial_t \rho(t) \} &= \text{Tr} \{ \partial_t (\hat{o} \rho(t)) \} \\ &= \partial_t (\text{Tr} \{ \hat{o} \rho(t) \}) \\ &= \partial_t \langle \hat{o} \rangle(t) \end{aligned}$$

on the right-hand side we have

$$\hat{o} \left( \frac{i}{\hbar} [\rho, H] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \mathcal{L} L_k \rho \right)$$

By steps

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{o} [\rho, H] = \frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{o} (\rho H - H \rho) = \frac{i}{\hbar} (\hat{o} \rho H - \hat{o} H \rho)$$

$$\text{Tr} \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{o} [\rho, H] \right\} = \frac{i}{\hbar} (\text{Tr} \{ \hat{o} \rho H \} - \text{Tr} \{ \hat{o} H \rho \})$$

## Property of the trace

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Tr}\{A_1 A_2 \dots A_n\} &= \text{Tr}\{A_n A_1 A_2 \dots A_{n-1}\} \\ &= \text{Tr}\{A_2 \dots A_n A_1\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Tr}\{\hat{\rho} H\} = \text{Tr}\{H \hat{\rho}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Tr}\left\{\frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{\rho} [H, \hat{\rho}]\right\} &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \left( \text{Tr}\{H \hat{\rho}\} - \text{Tr}\{\hat{\rho} H\} \right) \\ &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \left( \langle H \hat{\rho} \rangle - \langle \hat{\rho} H \rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \text{Tr}\{(H \hat{\rho} - \hat{\rho} H) \rho\} \\ &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle H \hat{\rho} - \hat{\rho} H \rangle = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, \hat{\rho}] \rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\partial_t \langle \hat{\rho} \rangle = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, \hat{\rho}] \rangle \quad \text{in agreement with Heisenberg eq.!$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \hat{\rho} \frac{1}{2} \sum_k L_k \rho = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \hat{\rho} (2L_k \rho L_k^\dagger - L_k^\dagger L_k \rho - \rho L_k^\dagger L_k)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Tr}\left\{\hat{\rho} \frac{1}{2} \sum_k L_k \rho\right\} &= \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( 2 \text{Tr}\{\hat{\rho} L_k \rho L_k^\dagger\} - \text{Tr}\{\hat{\rho} L_k^\dagger L_k \rho\} - \text{Tr}\{\hat{\rho} \rho L_k^\dagger L_k\} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( 2 \text{Tr}\{L_k^\dagger \hat{\rho} L_k \rho\} - \text{Tr}\{\hat{\rho} L_k^\dagger L_k \rho\} - \text{Tr}\{L_k^\dagger L_k \hat{\rho} \rho\} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( 2 \langle L_k^\dagger \hat{\rho} L_k \rangle - \langle \hat{\rho} L_k^\dagger L_k \rangle - \langle L_k^\dagger L_k \hat{\rho} \rangle \right)\end{aligned}$$

Putting everything together

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma \rangle(t) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, \hat{\sigma}] \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( 2 \langle L_k^\dagger \hat{\sigma} L_k \rangle - \langle \hat{\sigma} L_k^\dagger L_k \rangle - \langle L_k^\dagger L_k \hat{\sigma} \rangle \right)$$

**Decay**

$$L_k = \sqrt{\gamma} \sigma$$

$$\sigma = |g\rangle\langle e|$$

The  $\rho(t)$  of a 2LS is given

$$\rho(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle & \langle \sigma \rangle \\ \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle & \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} |g\rangle \\ |e\rangle \end{matrix} \quad \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle = \langle \sigma \rangle^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \sigma \rangle^* &= (\text{Tr} \{ \sigma \rho \})^* = \text{Tr} \{ (\sigma \rho)^\dagger \} = \text{Tr} \{ \rho^\dagger \sigma^\dagger \} \\ &= \text{Tr} \{ \rho \sigma^\dagger \} = \text{Tr} \{ \sigma^\dagger \rho \} = \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Let's assume  $H = \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma + \hbar \Omega (\sigma + \sigma^\dagger)$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma \rangle = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, \hat{\sigma}] \rangle + \frac{\gamma}{2} \left( \langle \sigma^\dagger \hat{\sigma} \sigma \rangle - \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \hat{\sigma} \rangle - \langle \hat{\sigma} \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  with  $\hat{\sigma} = \sigma^\dagger \sigma$

$$\begin{aligned} H \hat{\sigma} &= \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma + \hbar \Omega (\sigma + \sigma^\dagger) \sigma^\dagger \sigma \\ &= \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma^\dagger (1 - \sigma^\dagger \sigma) \sigma + \hbar \Omega \sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma \\ &= \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma + \hbar \Omega (1 - \sigma^\dagger \sigma) \sigma \\ &= \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma + \hbar \Omega \sigma \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma \sigma^\dagger + \sigma^\dagger \sigma &= 1 \\ \sigma \sigma^\dagger &= (1 - \sigma^\dagger \sigma) \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{H} = \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma + \hbar \Omega \sigma^\dagger \quad \text{check!}$$

$$[H, \hat{\sigma}] = \hbar \Omega (\sigma - \sigma^\dagger)$$

$$\bullet \sigma^\dagger \sigma \sigma = 0$$

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$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle = \frac{i}{\hbar} \hbar \Omega (\langle \sigma \rangle - \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle) - \gamma_\sigma \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle$$

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→ For  $\hat{\sigma} = \sigma$

$$H \hat{\sigma} = \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma \sigma + \hbar \Omega (\sigma + \sigma^\dagger) \sigma$$

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$$\hat{\sigma} H = \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma \sigma^\dagger \sigma + \hbar \Omega \sigma (\sigma + \sigma^\dagger)$$

$$= \hbar \omega_\sigma (1 - \sigma^\dagger \sigma) \sigma + \hbar \Omega (1 - \sigma^\dagger \sigma)$$

$$= \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma + \hbar \Omega - \hbar \Omega \sigma^\dagger \sigma$$

$$[H, \hat{\sigma}] = 2 \hbar \Omega \sigma^\dagger \sigma - \hbar \omega_\sigma \sigma - \hbar \Omega$$

$$\bullet \sigma^\dagger \sigma \sigma = 0$$

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$$\partial_t \langle \sigma \rangle = 2i \Omega \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle - i \omega_\sigma \langle \sigma \rangle - i \Omega - \frac{\gamma_\sigma}{2} \langle \sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle = -2i \Omega \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle + i \omega_\sigma \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle + i \Omega - \frac{\gamma_\sigma}{2} \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle$$

Three coupled diff. eqs.

for  $\langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle$ ,  $\langle \sigma \rangle$  and  $\langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle$ .

Find the solution  
when  $\langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle(0) = 1$   
 $\langle \sigma \rangle(0) = 0$

Homework.

• Spontaneous emission  $\Omega = 0$ : no coherent driving

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle = i\Omega (\langle \sigma \rangle - \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle) - \gamma_\sigma \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma \rangle = 2i\Omega \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle - i\omega_\sigma \langle \sigma \rangle - i\Omega - \frac{\gamma_\sigma}{2} \langle \sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle = -2i\Omega \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle + i\omega_\sigma \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle + i\Omega - \frac{\gamma_\sigma}{2} \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle$$

If  $\Omega = 0$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle = -\gamma_\sigma \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma \rangle = -\left(i\omega_\sigma + \frac{\gamma_\sigma}{2}\right) \langle \sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle = \left(i\omega_\sigma - \frac{\gamma_\sigma}{2}\right) \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle$$

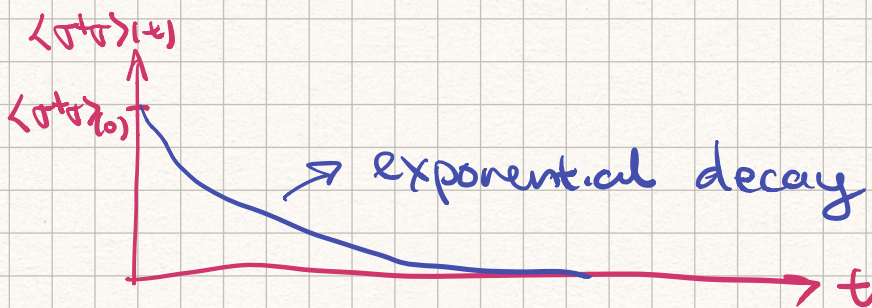
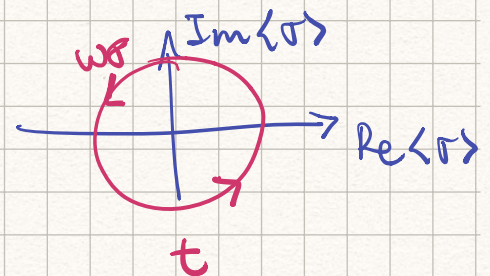
$$\partial_t X = -\alpha X$$

$$X(t) = X(0) e^{-\alpha t}$$

$$\langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle(t) = \langle \sigma^\dagger \sigma \rangle(0) e^{-\gamma_\sigma t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \sigma \rangle(t) &= \langle \sigma \rangle(0) e^{-(i\omega_\sigma + \gamma_\sigma/2)t} \\ &= \langle \sigma \rangle(0) e^{-i\omega_\sigma t} e^{-\gamma_\sigma t/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle(t) = \langle \sigma^\dagger \rangle(0) e^{i\omega_\sigma t} e^{-\gamma_\sigma t/2}$$



$\gamma_\sigma$ : decay rate of the 2LS.

• **Incoherent excitation**  $L_k = \sqrt{\Gamma_k} \sigma^\dagger$

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left( 2 \langle L_k^\dagger \hat{O} L_k \rangle - \langle \hat{O} L_k^\dagger L_k \rangle - \langle L_k^\dagger L_k \hat{O} \rangle \right)$$

For  $\hat{\sigma} = \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma$

$$\begin{aligned}\bullet \sigma \sigma^{\dagger} \sigma \sigma^{\dagger} &= (1 - \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma)(1 - \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma) \\ &= 1 - \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma - \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma + \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \\ &= 1 - 2\sigma^{\dagger}\sigma + \sigma^{\dagger}(1 - \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma)\sigma \\ &= 1 - 2\sigma^{\dagger}\sigma + \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \\ &= 1 - \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma\end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \sigma \sigma^{\dagger} = 0$$

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$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle = i\Omega (\langle \sigma \rangle - \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle) - \gamma_{\sigma} \langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle + P_{\sigma} (1 - \langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle)$$

For  $\sigma$ :

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$$\partial_t \langle \sigma \rangle = 2i\Omega \langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle - i\omega_{\sigma} \langle \sigma \rangle - i\Omega - \frac{\gamma_{\sigma}}{2} \langle \sigma \rangle - \frac{P_{\sigma}}{2} \langle \sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle = -2i\Omega \langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle + i\omega_{\sigma} \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle + i\Omega - \frac{\gamma_{\sigma}}{2} \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle - \frac{P_{\sigma}}{2} \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle$$

Let's consider the case  $\Omega = 0$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle = P_{\sigma} - (\gamma_{\sigma} + P_{\sigma}) \langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma \rangle = \left( -i\omega_{\sigma} - \frac{\gamma_{\sigma} + P_{\sigma}}{2} \right) \langle \sigma \rangle$$

$$\partial_t \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle = \left( i\omega_{\sigma} - \frac{\gamma_{\sigma} + P_{\sigma}}{2} \right) \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle$$

Homework

Find  $\langle \sigma^{\dagger}\sigma \rangle(t)$

$$\langle \sigma \rangle(t) = \langle \sigma \rangle(0) e^{-i\omega_{\sigma}t} e^{-(\gamma_{\sigma} + P_{\sigma})t/2}$$

$$\langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle(t) = \langle \sigma^{\dagger} \rangle(0) e^{i\omega_{\sigma}t} e^{-(\gamma_{\sigma} + P_{\sigma})t/2}$$