

Dissipation and Quantum Operations

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- Motivations

- Understanding noise and (trying to) control it.
- Something to say about how the classical world emerges from the Quantum.

- Tools

- Quantum Channels (q. operations, superoperators, QDS's ...) on an N dimensional Hilbert space, $N \times N$ dimensional phase space ($\hbar = 1/(2\pi N)$), Kraus operators. . .

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- Markov (local in time) assumption
- Lindblad Master equation

$$\dot{\rho} = \mathcal{L}(\rho) = -i[H, \rho] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left\{ [L_k \rho, L_k^\dagger] + [L_k, \rho L_k^\dagger] \right\}$$

- CPTP Quantum Dynamical Semi-group (channel, superoperator, quantum operation, . . . Lindblad (1976), Gorini et al. (1976))
- Kraus operator sum form

$$\mathbf{S}(\rho) = \sum_k M_k \rho M_k^\dagger$$

where $\sum_k M_k^\dagger M_k = I$ for TP.

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See for example Bianucci et al, PRE 2002; Nonnenmacher, Nonlinearity 2003, IGM et al., PRL 2003; IGM & Saraceno, PRE 2004; Aolita (“**boludo**”) et al. PRA 2004; MMO

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Simple Model

- Superoperators of the form $\mathbf{S}_2 = (1 - \epsilon)I + \epsilon\mathbf{S}_1$
- Propose

$$\mathbf{S}_{\epsilon\alpha}(\rho) = (1 - \epsilon)\rho + \epsilon \sum_{ij} P_{[\alpha i], i} \rho P_{[\alpha i], i}^\dagger \quad 0 < \alpha < 1$$

where $P_{ij} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |i\rangle\langle j|$ and $i = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ labels momentum eigenbasis ($p_i = i/N$) and $[\alpha i] = \text{int}(\alpha i)$.

- $\alpha = 1$: Unital, Generalized Phase Damping channel
(See Aolita et al., PRE 2004).
- $\alpha < (N - 1)/N$ Non-Unital (AD channel-like). Invariant state: $\mathbf{S}(|0\rangle\langle 0|) = |0\rangle\langle 0| \forall \alpha$

$$\eta = \epsilon^2 \left(\frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} \right), \quad \Gamma = \epsilon \left(\sum_i |\alpha i\rangle\langle \alpha i| - I \right)$$

$\alpha \sim 0$ “mimics” classical friction

$$\begin{aligned} \langle q \rangle' &= \langle q \rangle \\ \langle p \rangle' &= (1 - \epsilon) \langle p \rangle \end{aligned}$$

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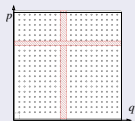
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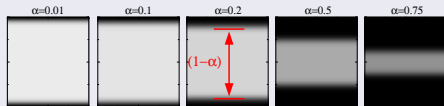
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Some figures

$\Gamma(q, p)$ (N dim. system, quantized torus phase space, Husimi rep...)

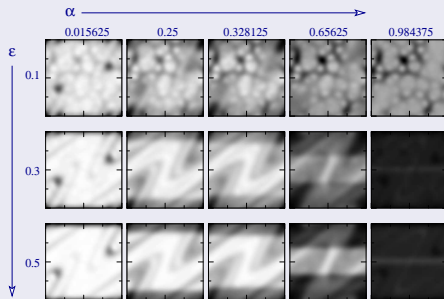


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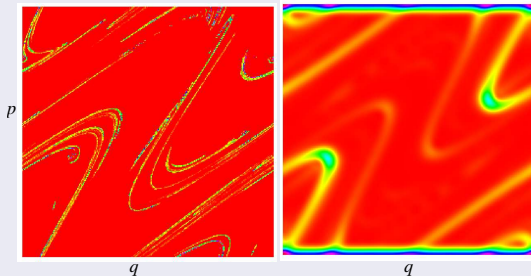
Composition with a unitary map

$$\mathbf{S}_{\text{tot}}(\rho) = \mathbf{S}_{\epsilon\alpha}(U_{\text{map}}\rho U_{\text{map}}^\dagger)$$



Another figure ($\alpha \sim 0$ case)

classical and quantum invariant states



classical

quantum

Summary

- Remark differences between **unital** and **nonunital** quantum operations.
- Independent of master eq. approach.
- Give **phase space** interpretation.
- Simple example illustrates **main features**.

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