

Homework 4

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Problem 1

(a) Letting

$$\vec{R} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix}; \quad \vec{\Omega} = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega'_0 \\ -\Omega''_0 \\ \delta \end{pmatrix},$$

the evolution of the Bloch vector in the field interaction basis is given by

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{R} = \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{R} \implies \begin{cases} \dot{u} = -\delta v - \Omega''_0 w \\ \dot{v} = \delta u - \Omega'_0 w \\ \dot{w} = \Omega'_0 v + \Omega''_0 u. \end{cases}$$

Given that $\Omega'_0 = \Omega_0$ and $\Omega''_0 = 0$ during the pulse, this simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{u} &= -\delta v \\ \dot{v} &= \delta u - \Omega_0 w \\ \dot{w} &= \Omega_0 v. \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{v} &= \delta \dot{u} - \Omega_0 \dot{w} \\ &= -(\delta^2 + \Omega_0^2) v \\ &= -\Omega^2 v \\ \implies v(t) &= A \cos(\Omega t) + B \sin(\Omega t). \end{aligned}$$

Next, the initial condition $\vec{R}(0) = -\hat{w}$ implies $A = 0$, so

$$v(t) = B \sin(\Omega t).$$

Now solving for u ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{u} &= -\delta v \\
\Rightarrow u(t) &= u(0) - \delta \int_0^t dt' v(t') \\
&= \frac{\delta B}{\Omega} \cos(\Omega t') \Big|_0^t \\
&= \frac{\delta B}{\Omega} (\cos(\Omega t) - 1),
\end{aligned}$$

and then w

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{w} &= \Omega_0 v \\
\Rightarrow w(t) &= u(0) + \Omega_0 \int_0^t dt' v(t') \\
&= -1 - \frac{\Omega_0 B}{\Omega} \cos(\Omega t') \Big|_0^t \\
&= -1 - \frac{\Omega_0 B}{\Omega} (\cos(\Omega t) - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

Using the equation for \dot{v} we can determine the value of B :

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{v} &= \delta u - \Omega_0 w \\
\Rightarrow \Omega B \cos(\Omega t) &= \frac{\delta^2 B}{\Omega} (\cos(\Omega t) - 1) + \Omega_0 \left(1 + \frac{\Omega_0 B}{\Omega} (\cos(\Omega t) - 1) \right) \\
&= \frac{\delta^2 + \Omega_0^2}{\Omega} B \cos(\Omega t) - \frac{\delta^2 + \Omega_0^2}{\Omega} B + \Omega_0 \\
&= \Omega B \cos(\Omega t) - \Omega B + \Omega_0 \\
\Rightarrow \Omega B &= \Omega_0 \\
\Rightarrow B &= \frac{\Omega_0}{\Omega}.
\end{aligned}$$

After the pulse ends the precession of the Bloch vector stops, and its final position is given by $\vec{R}(\tau)$. Letting $\theta = \Omega\tau$,

$$\begin{aligned}
u &= \frac{\Omega_0 \delta}{\Omega^2} (\cos \theta - 1) \\
v &= \frac{\Omega_0}{\Omega} \sin \theta \\
w &= - \left[1 + \frac{\Omega_0^2}{\Omega^2} (\cos \theta - 1) \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Problem 2

See attached Mathematica notebook.

Problem 3

See attached Mathematica notebook.

Problem 4

See attached Mathematica notebook for calculations.

$$H_d = -\frac{\hbar}{2}\Omega_0\sigma_z + \hbar\dot{\theta}\sigma_y$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\tilde{\rho}}_d &= [H_d, \tilde{\rho}_d] \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -\dot{\theta} \operatorname{Re}[\tilde{\rho}_{d12}] & i\Omega_0\rho_{12} - \dot{\theta}(\tilde{\rho}_{d22} - \tilde{\rho}_{d11}) \\ -i\Omega_0\rho_{21} - \dot{\theta}(\tilde{\rho}_{d22} - \tilde{\rho}_{d11}) & \dot{\theta} \operatorname{Re}[\tilde{\rho}_{d12}] \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Problem 2

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In[11]:= {û, v̂, ŵ} = IdentityMatrix[3];
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$$\vec{R}_\theta = -\vec{w};$$

$$\phi = \text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{\sqrt{\Omega^2 - \Omega_\theta^2}}{\Omega_\theta}\right];$$

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In[14]:= (RotationMatrix[-ϕ, v̂].RotationMatrix[θ, û].RotationMatrix[ϕ, v̂].R̃_θ /.  
  {√(Ω² - Ω_θ²) → δ}) // FullSimplify // MatrixForm
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Out[14]//MatrixForm=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\delta (-1 + \cos[\theta]) \Omega_\theta}{\Omega^2} & \frac{\sin[\theta] \Omega_\theta}{\Omega} \\ -1 - \frac{(-1 + \cos[\theta]) \Omega_\theta^2}{\Omega^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Problem 3

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In[15]:= {σ_x, σ_y, σ_z} = Table[PauliMatrix[i], {i, 1, 3}];
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$$\{\sigma_+, \sigma_-\} = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_x \mp i \sigma_y); \quad \sigma_\theta = \sigma_+ \cdot \sigma_-;$$

$$\text{rho} = \{\{\rho_{11}, \rho_{12}\}, \{\rho_{21}, \rho_{22}\}\};$$

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In[18]:= (-γ (σ_θ.rho + rho.σ_θ) + γ_2 σ_-.rho.σ_+ + 2 Γ σ_θ.rho.σ_θ // FullSimplify) /.  
  {-γ + Γ → -γ_2 / 2} // MatrixForm
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Out[18]//MatrixForm=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_2 \rho_{22} & -\gamma \rho_{12} \\ -\gamma \rho_{21} & -\gamma_2 \rho_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Problem 4

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In[19]:= H_d = \frac{-\hbar}{2} \Omega_\theta \sigma_z + \hbar \dot{\theta} \sigma_y;
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In[20]:= \frac{1}{i \hbar} \text{comm}[H_d, rho] // FullSimplify // MatrixForm
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Out[20]//MatrixForm=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} -\dot{\theta} (\rho_{12} + \rho_{21}) & \dot{\theta} (\rho_{11} - \rho_{22}) + i \rho_{12} \Omega_\theta \\ \dot{\theta} (\rho_{11} - \rho_{22}) - i \rho_{21} \Omega_\theta & \dot{\theta} (\rho_{12} + \rho_{21}) \end{pmatrix}$$