## VQE Circuit

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```
[1]: %matplotlib inline
    # Importing standard Qiskit libraries and configuring account
    from qiskit import *
    from qiskit.compiler import transpile, assemble
    from qiskit.tools.jupyter import *
    from qiskit.visualization import *
    # Loading your IBM Q account(s)
    IBMQ.load_account()
    provider = IBMQ.get_provider(hub = 'ibm-q')
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/opt/conda/lib/python3.7/site-packages/qiskit/providers/ibmq/ibmqfactory.py:192: UserWarning: Timestamps in IBMQ backend properties, jobs, and job results are all now in local time instead of UTC.

warnings.warn('Timestamps in IBMQ backend properties, jobs, and job results '

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[2]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from qiskit.providers.aer.noise import NoiseModel
from qiskit.ignis.mitigation.measurement import (complete_meas_cal, □
□CompleteMeasFitter)
#from qiskit.circuit.library.standard_gates import U2Gate
#from qiskit.aqua.operators import WeightedPauliOperator
#from qiskit.aqua.algorithms import NumPyEigensolver
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I begin with taking into account the hints given for task 4. So I first write the code assuming that the possible coefficients for Pauli terms are only [-1, -0.5, 0, 0.5, 1].

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[3]: def make_ansatz(circuit, parameter):
    circuit.h(0)
    circuit.cx(0,1)
    circuit.rx(parameter, 0)
    return circuit
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pauli_y = np.array([(0, 0-1j), (0+1j, 0)])
pauli_z = np.array([(1, 0), (0, -1)])

ii = np.kron(pauli_i, pauli_i)
xx = np.kron(pauli_x, pauli_x)
yy = np.kron(pauli_y, pauli_y)
zz = np.kron(pauli_z, pauli_z)

eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eig(hamiltonian)
print('Actual result is :', min(eigenvalues))
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Actual result is : -1.0

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[5]: pos coeff = [-1, -0.5, 0, 0.5, 1]
     def are_equal(matrix_a, matrix_b):
         size = matrix_a.shape
         num_elements = size[0] * size[1]
         a_flat = matrix_a.flat
         b_flat = matrix_b.flat
         for i in range(num_elements):
             if a_flat[i] != b_flat[i]:
                 return False
         return True
     def get_coeff(hamiltonian):
         for a in pos_coeff:
             for b in pos_coeff:
                 for c in pos_coeff:
                     for d in pos_coeff:
                         matrix = a * ii + b * xx + c * yy + d * zz
                         if are_equal(hamiltonian, matrix):
                             return a, b, c, d
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[6]: def vqe_circuit(parameter, operator):
    q = QuantumRegister(2)
    c = ClassicalRegister(2)
    circuit = QuantumCircuit(q, c)
    ansatz = make_ansatz(circuit, parameter)
    if operator == 'xx':
        for i in range(2):
            ansatz.ry(-np.pi/2, q[i])
    elif operator == 'yy':
        for i in range(2):
            ansatz.rx(np.pi/2, q[i])
    for i in range(2):
            ansatz.measure(q[i], c[i])
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## return ansatz

I execute the VQE circuit on ideal multi - shot simulator, noisy multi - shot simulator, and also do error mitigation for the noisy simulation. I use the Qiskit Aer QasmSimulator simulator backend for both ideal and noisy multi - shot simulations. The Qiskit Aer device noise model automatically generates a simplified noise model for a real device. This model is generated using the calibration information reported in the BackendProperties. For importing the noise model, I use the IBMQ provider and 'ibmq-vigo' device. I will use real noise data for an IBM Quantum device using the data stored in Qiskit Terra. For error mitigation, I use the ignis.mitigation.measurement module.

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[7]: def calibration(noise_model):
         qr = QuantumRegister(2)
         meas_calibs, state_labels = complete_meas_cal(qr = qr)
         backend = qiskit.Aer.get_backend('qasm_simulator')
         job = qiskit.execute(meas_calibs, backend = backend, shots = 1000,__
      →noise_model = noise_model)
         cal_results = job.result()
         meas_fitter = CompleteMeasFitter(cal_results, state_labels)
         return meas_fitter.filter
     def simulation(circuit, noise, error_mitigation):
         shots = 5000
         simulator = Aer.get_backend('qasm_simulator')
         if noise:
             device = provider.get_backend("ibmq_vigo")
             coupling_map = device.configuration().coupling_map
             noise model = NoiseModel.from backend(device.properties())
             basis_gates = noise_model.basis_gates
             job = execute(circuit, simulator, shots = shots, noise_model =_
      -noise_model, coupling_map = coupling_map, basis_gates = basis_gates)
         else:
             job = execute(circuit, simulator, shots = shots)
         result = job.result()
         if error_mitigation:
             meas_filter = calibration(noise_model)
             mitigated_result = meas_filter.apply(result)
             mitigated_counts = mitigated_result.get_counts(0)
             return mitigated counts
         counts = result.get_counts()
         return counts
     def exp_val_op(parameter, operator, noise, error_mitigation):
         if operator == 'ii':
             return 1
         circuit = vqe_circuit(parameter, operator)
         counts = simulation(circuit, noise, error_mitigation)
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exp_val = 0
         meas2eigen = \{'0': 1, '1': -1\}
         for result in counts:
             eigenval = meas2eigen[result[0]] * meas2eigen[result[1]]
             exp_val += eigenval * counts[result] / 5000 #Here 5000 is the number of
      \rightarrowshots
         return exp_val
[8]: def exp_val_hamil(parameter, hamiltonian, noise, error_mitigation):
         coeff_ii, coeff_xx, coeff_yy, coeff_zz = get_coeff(hamiltonian)
         contri_ii = coeff_ii * exp_val_op(parameter, 'ii', noise, error_mitigation)
         contri_xx = coeff_xx * exp_val_op(parameter, 'xx', noise, error_mitigation)
         contri_yy = coeff_yy * exp_val_op(parameter, 'yy', noise, error_mitigation)
         contri_zz = coeff_zz * exp_val_op(parameter, 'zz', noise, error_mitigation)
         exp_val = contri_ii + contri_xx + contri_yy + contri_zz
         return exp_val
[9]: def plot_graph(angles, exp_vals, label):
         plt.plot(angles, exp_vals, label = label)
         plt.xlabel('Parameter Value for RX')
         plt.ylabel('Expectation Value')
         plt.title('Expectation value as function of paramater')
         plt.legend()
     def min_eigen(hamiltonian, increment, plot = True, noise = False, __
      →error_mitigation = False):
         min_eigenval = exp_val_hamil(0, hamiltonian, noise, error_mitigation)
         angle = 0
         angles = []
         exp vals = []
         while angle < 2 * np.pi:</pre>
             exp_val = exp_val_hamil(angle, hamiltonian, noise, error_mitigation)
             if exp_val < min_eigenval:</pre>
                 min_eigenval = exp_val
             if plot:
                 angles.append(angle)
                 exp_vals.append(exp_val)
             angle += increment
         if plot:
             label = 'increment = ' + str(increment)
             if noise:
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label = 'noise with ' + label

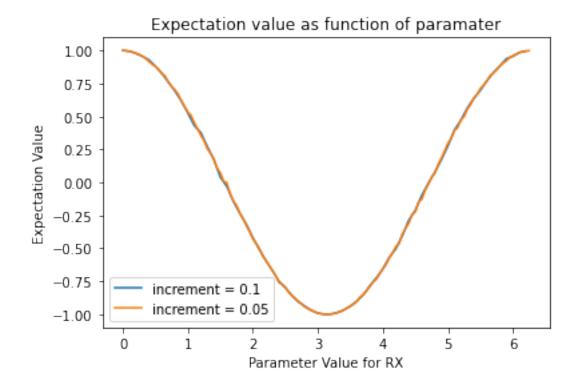
label = 'mitigation of ' + label

if error\_mitigation:

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plot_graph(angles, exp_vals, label)
return min_eigenval
```

```
[11]: print("Ideal Simulation")
  print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.1))
  print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.05))
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Ideal Simulation
-0.999200000000001
-1.0

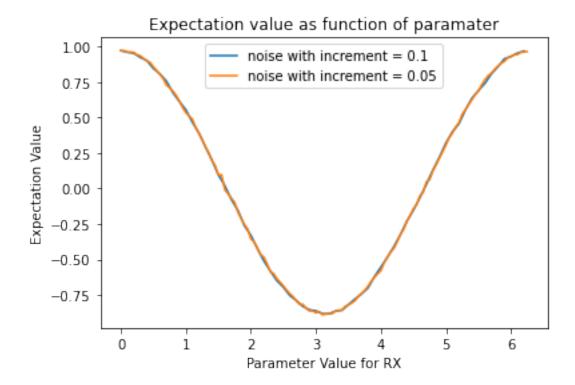


I begin with ideal multi - shot simulation of the VQE circuit. The measurement results are almost similar for the two increments I have tried as shown by the graph. However we get the exact minimum eigenvalue when increment is 0.05. This indicates that for the case where increment is 0.1, the eigenstate corresponding to the eigenvalue -1 may not have been generated. However the result for increment = 0.1 is fairly close to the correct result.

```
[12]: print("Noisy Simulation")
   print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True))
   print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True))
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Noisy Simulation

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- -0.8898

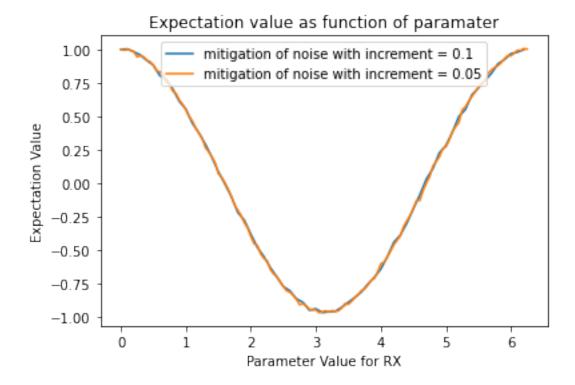


For the case of noisy simulation, the results do not have a good agreement with the actual minimum eigenvalue. The results however are fairly close to each other for the two cases of noisy simulation. The agreement to the actual result can be improved using error mitigation methods.

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[10]: print("Error Mitigation of Noisy Simulation")
print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
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Error Mitigation of Noisy Simulation

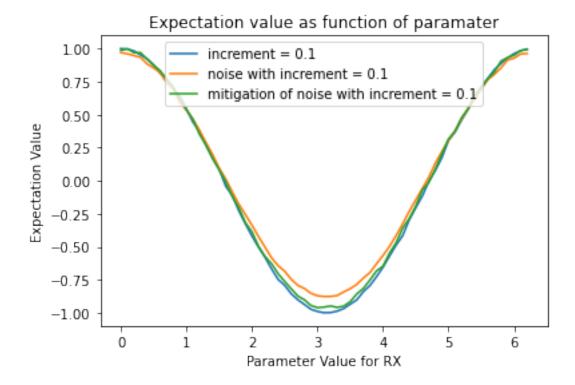
- -0.969860172352161
- -0.971093371731949



A calibration matrix is first calculated by executing the noise model on each of the basis states and measuring probability of getting counts of other basis states. This matrix is then used to calibrate the measurement results of executing the VQE circuit. Upon error mitigation, it is seen that the agreement of measurement results with the actual results and the results of ideal simulation increases and is fairly good though not excellent. However the exact result is not obtained for the values of increment I have tried. The agreement may however further increase as the value of increment is decreased (more trial states are created by the ansatz).

```
[13]: print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.1))
print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True))
print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
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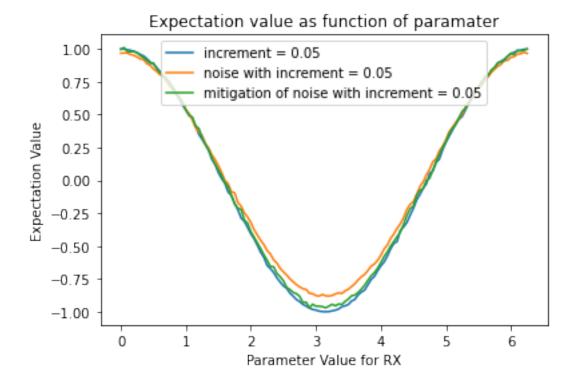
- -0.9996
- -0.8766
- -0.9611915460774633



In these two graphs (above and below) I compare the results for the three types of simulation for a given value of increment. The results of noisy simulation do not show very good agreement with the results of ideal simulation, which is expected. The agreement of results of ideal simulation and error mitigated noisy simulation is fairly good. The results of error mitigation however do not fall within chemical accuracy (defined as being within 0.0016 Hartree of the exact result) for either value of increment. The agreement for a given value of increment can be increased by increasing the number of shots while calculating the calibration matrix.

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[15]: print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.05))
print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True))
print(min_eigen(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
```

- -1.0
- -0.8812
- -0.9698549892553047



The above code finds the smallest eigenvalue taking into account the hints given (it uses the fact that the only Pauli terms will be II, XX, YY, ZZ). In order to be able to find the minimum eigenvalue for any general 2 x 2 Hermitian hamiltonian (it can be written as the sum of tensor products of Pauli matrices), I extend the code in the following manner. I consider only Hermitian matrices because observables in real world correspond to Hermitian matrices. Also, the concept of smallest eigenvalue exists only for those matrices all of whose eigenvalues are real. The simulation in both the codes is same, only the way of calculating the expectation value differs in order to account for all possible operators.

```
ix = np.kron(pauli_i, pauli_x)
iy = np.kron(pauli_i, pauli_y)
iz = np.kron(pauli_i, pauli_z)
xi = np.kron(pauli_x, pauli_i)
xy = np.kron(pauli_x, pauli_y)
xz = np.kron(pauli_x, pauli_z)
yi = np.kron(pauli_y, pauli_i)
yx = np.kron(pauli_y, pauli_x)
yz = np.kron(pauli_y, pauli_x)
yz = np.kron(pauli_z, pauli_z)
zi = np.kron(pauli_z, pauli_i)
zx = np.kron(pauli_z, pauli_x)
zy = np.kron(pauli_z, pauli_y)
```

Although it is a bit tedious to write all the gates explicitly, it makes the resulting code a lot easily readable in my opinion. However, this cannot be done for a system of 3 qubits or more as it will

be a bit too tedious.

```
[17]: pauli_gates = [pauli_i, pauli_x, pauli_y, pauli_z]
      two_qubit_gates = [ii, ix, iy, iz, xi, xx, xy, xz, yi, yx, yy, yz, zi, zx, zy, u]
       \hookrightarrowZZ]
      def system_of_eq():
          matrix = []
          for gate in two_qubit_gates:
              matrix.append(list(gate.flat))
          return np.array(matrix).transpose()
      def get_coefficients(hamiltonian):
          vector_b = np.array(list(hamiltonian.flat))
          matrix_a = system_of_eq()
          a_inverse = np.linalg.inv(matrix_a)
          coeff_vector = a_inverse.dot(vector_b)
          return coeff vector
[18]: def change_bases(circuit, operator, num_qubit):
          if operator == 'x':
              circuit.ry(-np.pi/2, num_qubit)
          elif operator == 'y':
              circuit.rx(np.pi/2, num_qubit)
          return circuit
      def vqe_circuit_2(parameter, operator):
          q = QuantumRegister(2)
          c = ClassicalRegister(2)
          circuit = QuantumCircuit(q, c)
          ansatz = make ansatz(circuit, parameter)
          for i in range(2):
              circuit = change_bases(ansatz, operator[i], i)
          for i in range(2):
              circuit.measure(q[i], c[i])
          return circuit
[19]: def exp_val_op_2(parameter, operator, noise, error_mitigation):
          circuit = vqe_circuit_2(parameter, operator)
          counts = simulation(circuit, noise, error_mitigation)
          exp_val = 0
          meas2eigen = {'i' : {'0' : 1, '1' : 1}, 'x' : {'0' : 1, '1' : -1}, 'y' : \Box
       \hookrightarrow {'0' : 1, '1' : -1}, 'z' : {'0' : 1, '1' : -1}}
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#meas2eigen tells the eigenvalues corresponding to the measurement result,
       → for given operators
         for result in counts:
              eigenval = meas2eigen[operator[1]][result[0]] *__
       →meas2eigen[operator[0]][result[1]]
              #to find the eigenvalue, I multiply the eigenvalues corresponding to \Box
      →mesurement result for given operator
              #since the measurement result strings in giskit are outputted in
       \rightarrow reverse order,
              #therefore result[0] corresponds to measurement outcome for second_{\sqcup}
       → qubit in the two qubit circuit
              exp_val += eigenval * counts[result] / 5000
         return exp val
[20]: def exp_val hamil_2(parameter, hamiltonian, noise, error_mitigation):
         operators = ['ii', 'ix', 'iy', 'iz', 'xi', 'xx', 'xy', 'xz', 'yi', 'yx', \_
       coefficients = get_coefficients(hamiltonian)
         zero = 0 + 0j
         exp_val = 0
         for i in range(16):
             if coefficients[i] != zero:
                  exp_val += coefficients[i] * exp_val_op_2(parameter, operators[i],_
      →noise, error_mitigation)
```

```
[21]: def min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, increment, plot = True, noise = False,
       →error_mitigation = False):
          min eigenval = exp val hamil 2(0, hamiltonian, noise, error mitigation)
          angle = 0
          angles = []
          exp_vals = []
          while angle < 2 * np.pi:</pre>
              exp_val = exp_val_hamil_2(angle, hamiltonian, noise, error_mitigation)
              if exp_val < min_eigenval:</pre>
                  min_eigenval = exp_val
              if plot:
                  angles.append(angle)
                  exp_vals.append(exp_val)
              angle += increment
          if plot:
              label = 'increment = ' + str(increment)
              if noise:
                  label = 'noise with ' + label
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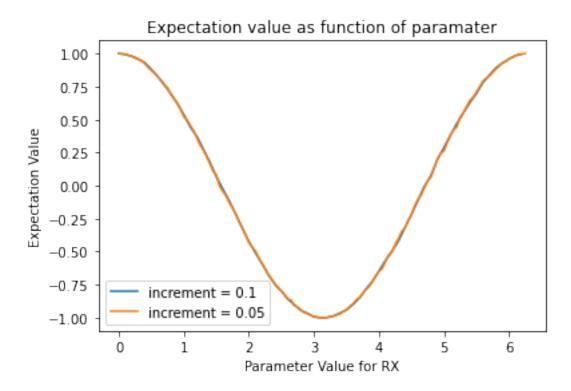
#Here we take only real part because hamiltonians are always hermitian operators

return np.real(exp\_val)

#So the expectation value is always real

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[22]: print("Ideal Simulation")
  print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.1))
  print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.05))
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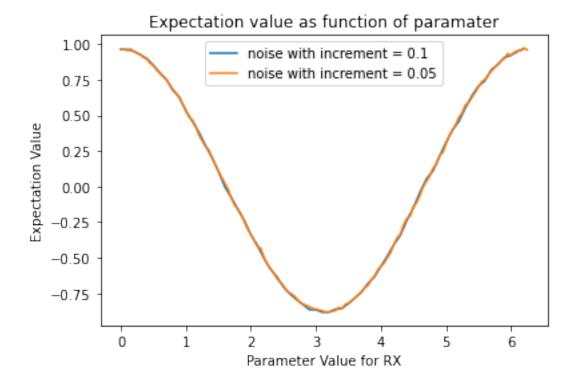
Ideal Simulation -0.99940000000001 -1.0



Since the simulation is the same as previous code, no difference in agreement to actual result is expected. However the result for increment = 0.1 here differs from that in the previous code because we only have a finite number of shots, so the probabilities obtained are not the same as the theoretical value.

```
[23]: print("Noisy Simulation")
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True))
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True))
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Noisy Simulation -0.8834

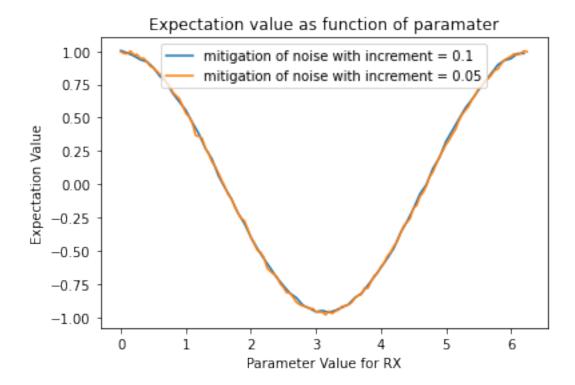


The noisy simulation here shows interesting output in the sense that here the agreement with the actual value decreases even after increasing the precision of the simulation (by decreasing the value of increment). This is proof to the fact that the effects of noise are not systematic and therefore it is very difficult to combat them entirely.

```
[24]: print("Error Mitigation of Noisy Simulation")
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
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Error Mitigation of Noisy Simulation

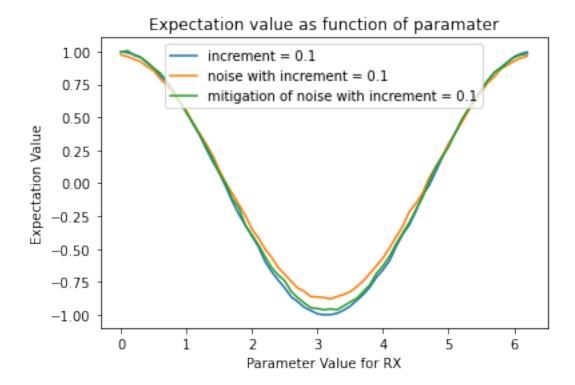
- -0.9630353652775905
- -0.9803424664864122



The results of error mitigation are similar to those obtained for the previous code, as was expected.

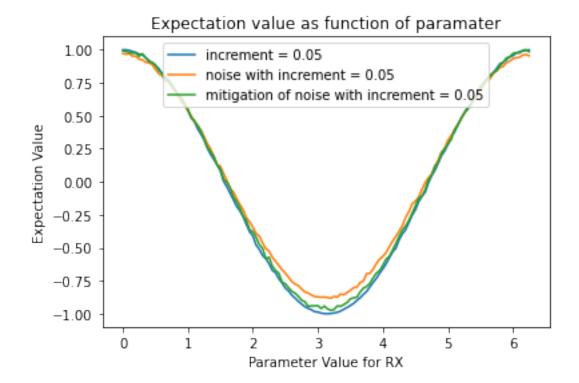
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[25]: print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.1))
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True))
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.1, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
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- -0.9994000000000001
- -0.8788
- -0.9620229593091035



```
[26]: print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.05))
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True))
print(min_eigen_2(hamiltonian, 0.05, noise = True, error_mitigation = True))
```

- -1.0
- -0.8826
- -0.9745870421709999



In the two graphs above, I again compare the agreement of ideal, noisy and error mitigated noisy simulation for a given value of increment. The agreement once again is fairly good for ideal and error mitigated noisy simulation, however it does not lie within chemical acuuracy as is expected because the simulation model is same.

[]: