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## Quantum Master Equation / Lindblad Dynamics

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CLASSICALDiscrete Time  
Markov chain

$$p' = M p$$

Continuous Time

Master Equation

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = Q p$$

QUANTUMQuantum Channel/  
CPTP Map  
Quantum Operation

$$\rho' = S \rho$$

(Quantum Information Theory  
Wilde 2017)

Quantum Master Eq.

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -i \mathcal{L} \rho$$

Lindbladian Superoperator

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Embedded Markov chain

for thermal equilibrium, energy eigenbasis

$$\rho = \rho_0 |i\rangle\langle i|, \quad \pi = \frac{e^{-\beta H}}{\text{Tr} e^{-\beta H}} = e^{-\beta E_i} |i\rangle\langle i|$$

$$S_\rho \equiv \sum_i A_i \rho A_i^\dagger \quad A_{fi} = \sqrt{M_{fi}} |f\rangle\langle i|$$

$$\rho' = M\rho \quad \equiv \quad \text{diag}(\rho') = S[\text{diag}(\rho)]$$

$$S_{f+ii} = M_{fi} \quad \text{or} \quad S = \text{diag}(M)$$

$$\text{diag}(A) \text{diag}(B) = \text{diag}(AB)$$

↑ matrix ↑

Von-Neumann Equation

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Unitary

[Liouville]-von Neumann Equation

$$\rho(t) = e^{-iHt/\hbar} \rho(0) e^{iHt/\hbar}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho(t) = \left(-\frac{i}{\hbar} H\right) e^{-iHt/\hbar} \rho(0) e^{iHt/\hbar} + e^{-iHt/\hbar} \rho(0) e^{+iHt/\hbar} \left(\frac{iH}{\hbar}\right)$$

$t \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = \left(-\frac{i}{\hbar} H\right) \rho(0) + \rho(0) \left(\frac{i}{\hbar} H\right)$$

$$= -\frac{i}{\hbar} [H, \hat{\rho}] = -i \mathcal{L} \rho$$

$$\uparrow \\ \equiv \frac{1}{\hbar} [H, \cdot]$$

$$([A, B]) = AB - BA$$

Von-Neumann equation

# Quantum Master Equation / Lindblad equation

Lindblad 1976

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -i\mathcal{L}\rho = -i[H, \rho] + \sum_i \gamma_i [L_i \rho L_i^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{L_i^\dagger L_i, \rho\}]$$

$\gamma_i$   
positive real  
"damping coefficients"

Jump operators

$$\{A, B\} = AB + BA$$

All  $\gamma_i = 0 \rightarrow$  von Neumann equation

Superficially Moreferend. GKS

diagonalize  $h$   
(change of basis)

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} [H, \rho] + \sum_{h,m} h_{hm} (A_m \rho A_m^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{A_m^\dagger A_m, \rho\})$$

positive semidefinite

Redfield

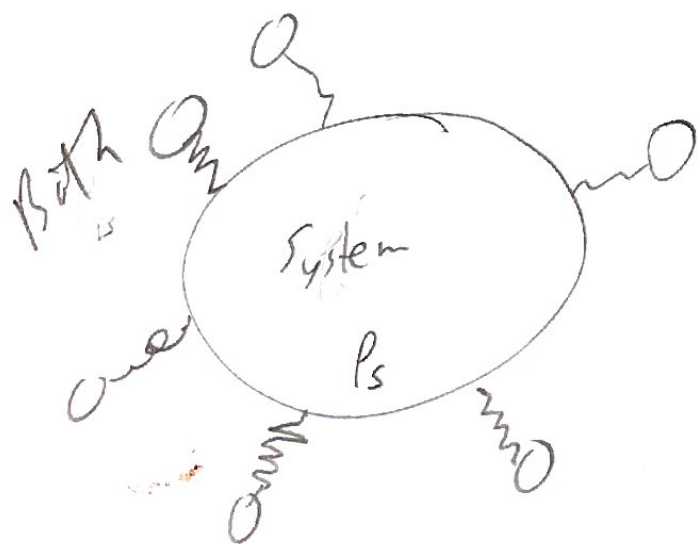
Ref: David Limmer 220B Lecture 16

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Redfield (1956)

Nuclear Spin Relaxation in Magnetic Resonance

$$H = H_S + H_E + V_{\text{weak coupling}}$$



Trace out Harmonic bath modes

Large Thermal environment

Weak coupling

Continuously measure environment



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$$\rho(t) = \rho_S(t) \otimes \rho_E \approx \rho_S(t) \otimes \underbrace{\frac{e^{-\beta H_E}}{\text{Tr}_E e^{-\beta H_E}}}_{\text{Thermal equilibrium bath}}$$

Continuously Measured System

Thermal equilibrium bath

Born approximation (Markov ~~essentially~~)

→ environment ~~remains in~~ <sup>stays</sup> remains in thermal equilibrium

i.e. Assume bath relaxes much faster than system

Take out ~~Markovian~~ Keep only up to 2nd order (Linear Response)

relaxation, dissipation, decoherence → come from both correlations

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$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -i[H, \rho] + \sum_i \gamma_i [L_i \rho L_i^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{L_i^\dagger L_i, \rho\}]$$

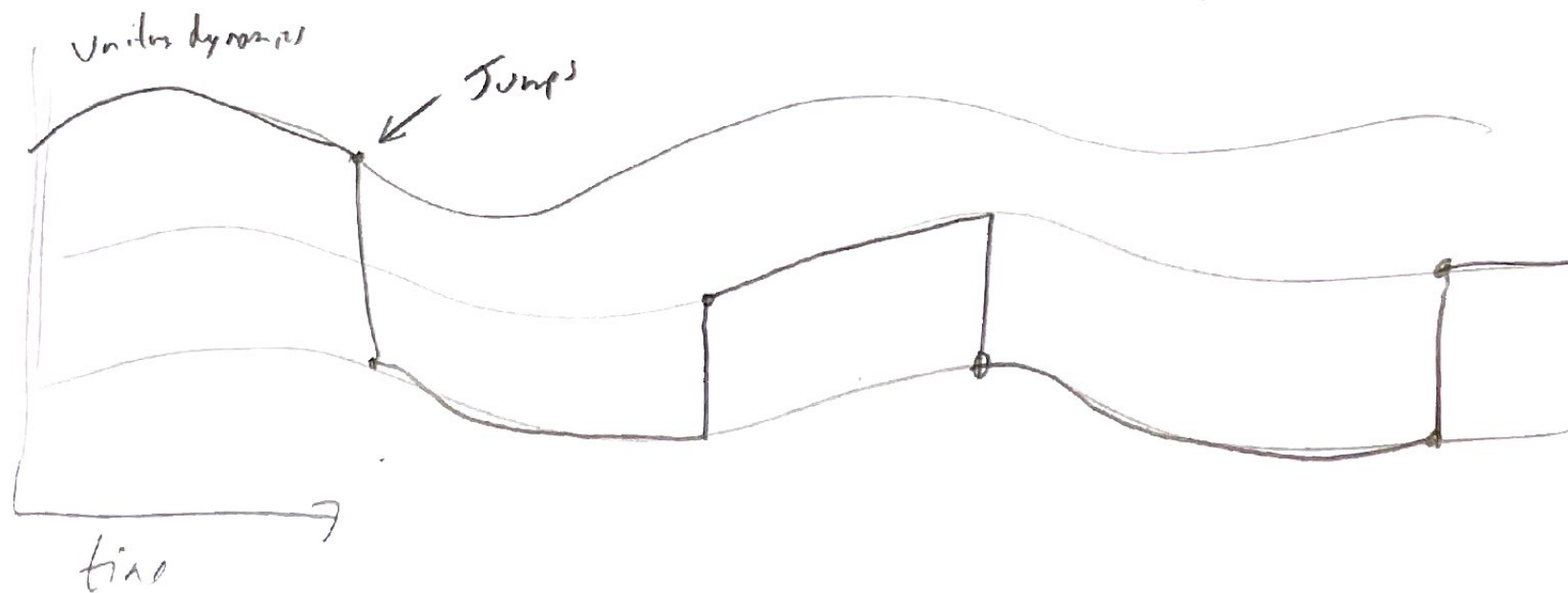
Unitary dynamics

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Jumps

Normalization, no jump

Continuous measurement of the environment

Unravel



Thermodynamics  $\rho(z) = S_3 S_2 S_1 \rho(0)$

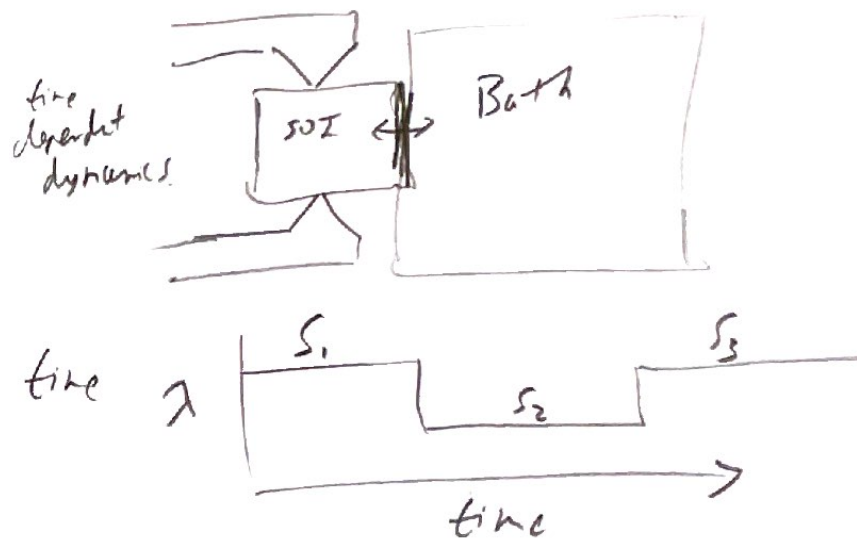
$$S \rho_S = \text{tr}_B U_{SB} [\rho \otimes \pi_B] U_{SB}^\dagger$$

$$U_{SB} = e^{-i H_{SB}^f t / \hbar}$$

$$= \sum_{i,f} \frac{e^{-\beta E_i^B}}{Z_B} \langle b_f | U_{SB} | b_i \rangle \rho_S \langle b_i | U_{SB}^\dagger | b_f \rangle$$

$$A_{if} = \frac{e^{-1/2 \beta E_i^B}}{\sqrt{Z_B}} \langle b_f | U_{SB} | b_i \rangle$$

[d<sup>2</sup>!]





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Open System Quantum FT

$$U_{SB}^+ = U_{SB}^{-1}$$

inverse dynamics.

time Reversed dynamics: (init obsrv system for obsrv environment)

$$\tilde{A}_{ij} = \frac{e^{-1/2 \beta E_S^B}}{\sqrt{Z_B}} \langle b_i | U_{SB}^+ | b_j \rangle \quad (\text{Crooks 2008})$$

$$P(A_1^3 A_2^2 A_1^1 | e_0, e_2) = \text{Tr} A_1^{(1)} A_2^{(2)} A_1^{(3)} | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | A_2^{(1)} A_1^{(2)} A_1^{(3)} | e_2 \rangle \langle e_2 |$$

$$\tilde{P}(\tilde{A}_2^1 \tilde{A}_1^2 \tilde{A}_1^3 | e_2, e_0) = \text{Tr} A_2^{(1)} A_1^{(2)} A_1^{(3)} | e_2 \rangle \langle e_2 | A_1^{(1)} A_2^{(2)} A_1^{(3)} | e_0 \rangle \langle e_0 |$$

$$\ln \frac{P}{\tilde{P}} = - \sum_i \beta \Delta E_i = -\beta Q$$

Problems!

Assumptions

Experiments

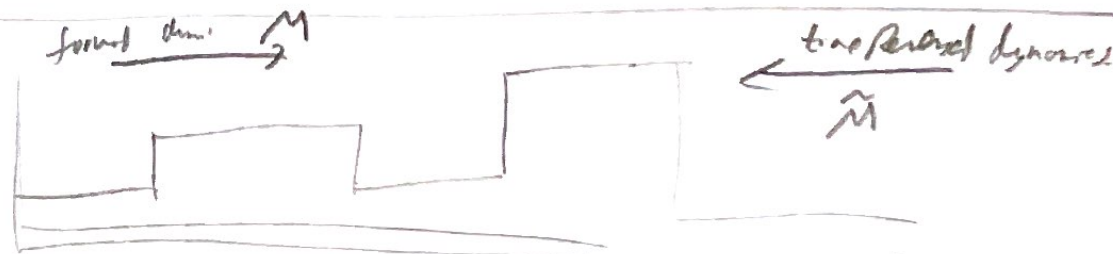
$$\tilde{I} = D_{\pi} L^{\times} D_{\pi}^{-1} \quad (10)$$

Super-Duper Operators

Quantum Information Theory - Wilde

Time Reversal

$$\tilde{M} = \text{diag}(p^{\text{in}}) M^T \text{diag}(p^{\text{in}})^{-1}$$



Quantum Channel

$$\rho_{\pi} = S \pi$$

Detailed Balance if

$$M = \tilde{M} \cdot (1) \cdot \dots$$

$$\tilde{S} = D_{\pi} S^{\times} D_{\pi}^{-1}$$

$$D_{\pi} = \sqrt{\pi} \rho \sqrt{\pi}$$

diagonal super operator.

Detailed balance if  $\tilde{S} = S$

Petz Recover Map

Super-Duper Operator!

$$\tilde{S} \pi = D_{\pi} S^{\times} D_{\pi}^{-1} \pi = D_{\pi} S^{\times} I = D_{\pi} I = \pi$$

$$\tilde{S}^{\times} I = \tilde{D}_{\pi}^{-1} \tilde{S} \hat{D}_{\pi} \hat{I} = \tilde{D}_{\pi}^{-1} S \pi = \tilde{D}_{\pi}^{-1} \pi = I$$