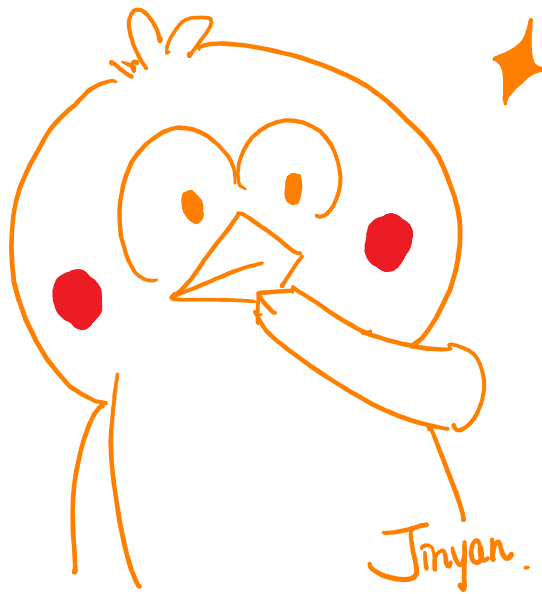


Homework 7

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First we consider the case of $N = 2$ and $S = 1$, in which case we have (from Eq. (11a) on C. Genes and P. Berman, *Spin squeezing via atom-cavity field coupling*, Phys. Rev. A **68**, 043809 (2003),)

$$\langle \hat{S}_x^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} |c_{0,n}|^2 + c_{1,n} c_{-1,n} \right), \quad (1.1)$$

where $c_{m,n}$ is the coefficient in the interaction representation of the state

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \sum_{m=-N/2}^{N/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{m,n} e^{-i\omega(m+n)t} |m, n\rangle, \quad (1.2)$$

and here m labels the value of S_z and n labels the number of photons in the cavity field. Spin squeezing happens when we have

$$\xi_x = \frac{\sqrt{N \langle \hat{S}_x^2 \rangle}}{|\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle|} < 1, \quad (1.3)$$

thus in this case we would like to have $\langle \hat{S}_x^2 \rangle$ for spin squeezing, which is possible only when we have some $c_{1,n} c_{-1,n} < 0$ as $|c_{0,n}|$ is non-negative. From Eq. (21.57) from Berman's text *Principles of Laser Spectroscopy and Quantum Optics*, we know that

$$c_{1,n} c_{-1,n} \propto c_k c_{k+2} \quad (1.4)$$

where c_k are the initial state amplitudes for the field. Thus it is required to have $c_k c_{k+2} \neq 0$ in order for spin squeezing happening, thus requiring coherence between states differing by two. To generalize this effect to general N atoms system, it suffices to examine the form of \hat{S}_x^2 and the interaction Hamiltonian between the atoms and the field. The interaction Hamiltonian of the system is given by

$$\hat{H}_{\text{int}} = \hbar g \left(\hat{S}_+ \hat{a} + \hat{S}_- \hat{a}^\dagger \right), \quad (1.5)$$

thus it is well-expected that the evolution of the wavefunction of the system, Eq. (1.2), satisfies $c_{m-1,k} \propto c_k$ and $c_{m+1,k} \propto c_{k+2}$, and thus Eq. (1.4) is again satisfied. Now from the form of \hat{S}_x^2 , Eq. (21.41) from Berman's text *Principles of Laser Spectroscopy and Quantum Optics*,

$$\hat{S}_x^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^N s_x^i s_x^j = \frac{N}{4} + \sum_{i,j \neq i}^N s_x^i s_x^j,$$

it is expected that the only possible non-positive terms in $\langle \hat{S}_x^2 \rangle$ are of the form $c_{m+1,n} c_{m-1,n}$. Following the argument as in the $N = 2$ case proves the result.

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Here we will show that $[\hat{S}_x, \hat{S}_y] = i\hat{S}_z$, and $\hat{S}_z\hat{S}_+ \neq \hat{S}_+/2$.
For cleanness we drop the operator hat in the notations.

$$S_x S_y = \sum_{j=1}^N s_x^j \sum_{i=1}^N s_y^i = \sum_{i,j=1}^N s_x^j s_y^i, \quad S_y S_x = \sum_{i,j=1}^N s_y^j s_x^i.$$

Here we have that

$$\begin{aligned} s_x s_y &= -\frac{i}{4} (s_+ + s_-) (s_+ - s_-) \\ &= -\frac{i}{4} (s_+ s_+ - s_+ s_- + s_- s_+ - s_- s_-) \\ &= -\frac{i}{4} (|2\rangle\langle 1|2\rangle\langle 1| - |2\rangle\langle 1|1\rangle\langle 2| + |1\rangle\langle 2|2\rangle\langle 1| - |1\rangle\langle 2|1\rangle\langle 2|) \\ &= \frac{i}{4} (|2\rangle\langle 2| - |1\rangle\langle 1|). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} s_y s_x &= -\frac{i}{4} (s_+ - s_-) (s_+ + s_-) \\ &= -\frac{i}{4} (s_+ s_+ + s_+ s_- - s_- s_+ - s_- s_-) \\ &= \frac{i}{4} (s_- s_+ - s_+ s_-) \\ &= \frac{i}{4} (|1\rangle\langle 1| - |2\rangle\langle 2|). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we conclude

$$[s_y, s_x] = \frac{i}{2} (|2\rangle\langle 2| - |1\rangle\langle 1|) = i s_z.$$

As single-spin operators only operate on that single spin, thus $[s_x^j, s_y^i] = 0$ for $i \neq j$. It follows that we have

$$[S_x, S_y] = S_x S_y - S_y S_x = \sum_{i,j=1}^N s_x^j s_y^i - s_y^j s_x^i = \sum_{i=1}^N s_x^i s_y^i - s_y^i s_x^i = \sum_{i=1}^N [s_x^i, s_y^i] = \sum_{i=1}^N i s_z = i S_z$$

Now we see here

$$s_z s_+ = \frac{1}{2} (|2\rangle\langle 2| - |1\rangle\langle 1|) |2\rangle\langle 1| = \frac{1}{2} (|2\rangle\langle 1|) = \frac{1}{2} s_+.$$

While on the other hand

$$\frac{1}{2}S_+ = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N s_+^i,$$

but

$$\begin{aligned} S_z S_+ &= \sum_{i=1}^N s_z^i \sum_{j=1}^N s_+^j = \sum_{i,j=1}^N s_z^i s_+^j = \sum_{i=1}^N s_z^i s_+^i + \sum_{i \neq j}^N s_z^i s_+^j \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N s_+ \right) + \sum_{i \neq j}^N s_z^i s_+^j = \frac{1}{2} S_+ + \sum_{i \neq j}^N s_z^i s_+^j \neq \frac{1}{2} S_+ \end{aligned}$$

as the term $\sum_{i \neq j}^N s_z^i s_+^j$ does not vanish.

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Here Eq. (21.45) from Berman's text *Principles of Laser Spectroscopy and Quantum Optics* reads

$$\xi_x = \frac{\sqrt{N} \sqrt{\langle S_x^2 \rangle}}{|\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle|}$$

Again, from Eq. (11a) on C. Genes and P. Berman, *Spin squeezing via atom-cavity field coupling*, Phys. Rev. A **68**, 043809 (2003), we have that

$$(\Delta S_x)^2 = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} |c_{0,n}|^2 + c_{1,n} c_{-1,n} \right),$$

with Eq. (21.57) from Berman's text *Principles of Laser Spectroscopy and Quantum Optics*, we compute $(\Delta S_x)^2$ up to the order of α^2 ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SUM} &:= (\Delta S_x)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \approx \frac{1}{2} |c_{0,0}|^2 + c_{1,0} c_{-1,0} + \frac{1}{2} |c_{0,1}|^2 + c_{1,1} c_{-1,1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) - \left(1 - \frac{\alpha^2}{2}\right) \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{3} (1 - \cos(\sqrt{6}gt))\right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha^4}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt) \\ &= \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) - \frac{\alpha^2}{3} (1 - \cos(\sqrt{6}gt)) + \frac{\alpha^4}{6} (1 - \cos(\sqrt{6}gt)) + \frac{\alpha^4}{6} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt) \\ &= \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \frac{\alpha^2}{3} \cos(\sqrt{6}gt) - \frac{\alpha^4}{6} \cos(\sqrt{6}gt) - \frac{\alpha^2}{3} + \frac{\alpha^4}{6} + \frac{\alpha^4}{6} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt) \\ &\approx \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \frac{\alpha^2}{3} \cos(\sqrt{6}gt) - \frac{\alpha^2}{3} \\ &= \alpha^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \left(\frac{1}{3} \cos(\sqrt{6}gt) - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right) \\ &= \alpha^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) - \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now via binomial approximation, we have

$$\Delta S_x = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \text{SUM} \right)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1 + 2\text{SUM})^{1/2} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1 + \text{SUM}).$$

Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|\langle S \rangle| &= \sqrt{\langle S_x \rangle^2 + \langle S_y \rangle^2 + \langle S_z \rangle^2} \\
&= \left(2\alpha^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \left(1 - \alpha^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) \right)^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
&= \left(2\alpha^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + 1 + \alpha^4 \sin^4(\sqrt{2}gt) - 2\alpha^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) \right)^{1/2} \\
&= \left(1 + \alpha^4 \sin^4(\sqrt{2}gt) \right)^{1/2} \\
&\approx 1 + \frac{\alpha^4}{2} \sin^4(\sqrt{2}gt) \approx 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Combining we can write

$$\xi_x = \sqrt{2} \frac{\Delta S_x}{|\langle S \rangle|} \approx 1 + \text{SUM} = 1 + \alpha^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) - \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \right),$$

as expected. Here $\xi_{y'}$ can be computed similarly via $(\Delta S_y)^2$ given by Eq. (11b) on C. Genes and P. Berman's paper,

$$(\Delta S_y)^2 = \langle S_y^2 \rangle - \langle S_y \rangle^2 = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} |c_{0,n}|^2 + c_{1,n} c_{-1,n} \right) - \langle S_y \rangle^2,$$

thus giving

$$\begin{aligned}
\xi_{y'} &\sim 1 + \alpha^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \right) - \alpha^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) \\
&= 1 + \alpha^2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

as expected.

P3 $(\Delta S_x)^2 = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} |C_{0,n}|^2 + C_{1,n} C_{-1,n} \right)$ Eq. (11a)
on paper

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^1 \left(\frac{1}{2} |C_{0,n}|^2 + C_{1,n} C_{-1,n} \right) + \text{NO}$$

$$(\Delta S_x)^2 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} |C_{0,0}|^2 + C_{1,0} C_{-1,0} + \frac{1}{2} |C_{0,1}|^2 + \cancel{C_{1,1} C_{-1,1}}^{\text{NO}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2} g t) - (1 - d^2/2) \frac{d^2}{3} (1 - \cos(\sqrt{6} g t)) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^4}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6} g t)$$

(sum) \downarrow

$$= \frac{1}{2} d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2} g t) - \frac{d^2}{3} (1 - \cos(\sqrt{6} g t)) + \frac{d^4}{6} (1 - \cos(\sqrt{6} g t)) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^4}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6} g t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2} g t) + \frac{d^2}{3} \cos(\sqrt{6} g t) - \frac{d^4}{6} \cos(\sqrt{6} g t) - \frac{d^2}{3} + \cancel{\frac{d^4}{6}}^{\text{NO}} + \cancel{\frac{d^4}{6}}^{\text{NO}} + \frac{d^4}{6} \sin^2(\sqrt{6} g t)$$

ignored term of order d^4

$$|\langle S \rangle| = \sqrt{\langle S_x \rangle^2 + \langle S_y \rangle^2 + \langle S_z \rangle^2}$$

$$= \left(2d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2} g t) + (1 - d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2} g t))^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \left(\cancel{2d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2} g t)} + 1 + d^4 \sin^4(\sqrt{2} g t) - \cancel{2d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2} g t)} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$= \left(1 + d^4 \sin^4(\sqrt{2} g t) \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\sim 1 + \cancel{\frac{d^4}{2} \sin^4(\sqrt{2} g t)}^{\text{NO}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\langle S \rangle| \sim 1$$

$$\Delta S_x = \left(\frac{1}{2} + S_{\text{sum}}\right)^{1/2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}(1 + 2S_{\text{sum}})\right)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + 2S_{\text{sum}})^{1/2} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + S_{\text{sum}})$$

\Rightarrow approximations leads to

$$\xi_x = \sqrt{2} \frac{\Delta S_x}{|S\rangle} \sim 1 + S_{\text{sum}}$$

Now employ trig-identity

$$\begin{aligned} \text{from } S_{\text{sum}}, \quad \frac{d^2}{3}(\cos(\sqrt{6}gt) - 1) &= \frac{d^2}{3}(1 - 2\sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) - 1) \\ &= -d^2 \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \end{aligned}$$

Combining all

$$\xi_x = \sqrt{2} \frac{\Delta S_x}{|S\rangle} \sim 1 + S_{\text{sum}} \sim 1 + \frac{1}{2}d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) - d^2 \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \xi_x \sim 1 + d^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) - \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \right)$$

The calculation of ξ_y follows similarly using Eq. (11b)

$$(\Delta S_y)^2 = \langle S_y^2 \rangle - \langle S_y \rangle^2 = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} |C_{0,n}|^2 - C_{1,n} C_{-1,n} \right) - \langle S_y \rangle^2$$

\uparrow $\sqrt{2}gt$ term
 \uparrow minus
 \uparrow $\sqrt{6}gt/2$ term
 \downarrow

$$\Rightarrow \xi_y \sim 1 + d^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \right) - d^2 \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt)$$

$$\xi_y \sim 1 + d^2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\sqrt{2}gt) + \frac{2}{3} \sin^2(\sqrt{6}gt/2) \right)$$