

# PHYS 673 Project Report

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## 1 Warm up

### 1.1 Hamiltonian

**a.** The Hamiltonian for the system consisting of a two-level atom and a quantized single-mode cavity, including the driving laser, is given by:

$$H = H_{\text{atom}} + H_{\text{cavity}} + H_{\text{int}} + H_{\text{drive}}$$

Where:

$$H_{\text{atom}} = \hbar\omega_a\sigma_+\sigma_-,$$

$$H_{\text{cavity}} = \hbar\omega_c a^\dagger a,$$

$$H_{\text{int}} = \hbar g(\sigma_+ + \sigma_-)(a + a^\dagger),$$

$$H_{\text{drive}} = \hbar E(ae^{i\omega_L t} + a^\dagger e^{-i\omega_L t}).$$

**b.** To move to the frame rotating with the input/drive laser frequency  $\omega_L$ , we apply a unitary transformation

$$U = e^{i\omega_L t(\sigma_+\sigma_- + a^\dagger a)}$$

The transformed Hamiltonian becomes [1]:

$$H' = U H U^\dagger + i\hbar \frac{dU}{dt} U^\dagger$$

$$\begin{aligned} U H U^\dagger = & \hbar\omega_a\sigma_+\sigma_- + \hbar\omega_c a^\dagger a + \hbar g(a\sigma_+ + a^\dagger\sigma_-) + \hbar E(a + a^\dagger) \\ & + \hbar g(a^\dagger\sigma_+ e^{-2i\omega_L t} + a\sigma_- e^{2i\omega_L t}) \end{aligned}$$

$$i\hbar \frac{dU}{dt} U^\dagger = -\hbar\omega_L(\sigma_+\sigma_- + a^\dagger a)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} H' = & \hbar\Delta_a\sigma_+\sigma_- + \hbar\Delta_c a^\dagger a + \hbar g(a\sigma_+ + a^\dagger\sigma_-) + \hbar E(a + a^\dagger) \\ & + \hbar g(a^\dagger\sigma_+ e^{-2i\omega_L t} + a\sigma_- e^{2i\omega_L t}) \end{aligned}$$

Where  $\Delta_a = \omega_a - \omega_L$  and  $\Delta_c = \omega_c - \omega_L$  are the detunings of the atom and cavity from the driving laser frequency, respectively.

**c.** After making the rotating wave approximation (RWA), we neglect fast oscillating terms( $e^{\pm 2i\omega_L t}$ ). Applying the RWA gives:

$$H_{\text{RWA}} = \hbar\Delta_a\sigma_+\sigma_- + \hbar\Delta_c a^\dagger a + \hbar g(a\sigma_+ + a^\dagger\sigma_-) + \hbar E(a + a^\dagger)$$

## 1.2 Liouvillian

a. The contribution to the system Liouvillian from the cavity field, considering its energy decay rate  $\kappa$ , is given by the Lindblad term:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{cavity}}(\rho) = \frac{\kappa}{2} (2a\rho a^\dagger - a^\dagger a\rho - \rho a^\dagger a)$$

Where:

- $\rho$  is the density matrix of the system.
- $a^\dagger$  and  $a$  are the creation and annihilation operators for the cavity field.

b. The contribution to the system Liouvillian from the atom's spontaneous emission, considering its energy decay rate  $\gamma_s$ , is also given by a Lindblad term:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{spontaneous}}(\rho) = \frac{\gamma_s}{2} (2\sigma_- \rho \sigma_+ - \sigma_+ \sigma_- \rho - \rho \sigma_+ \sigma_-)$$

Where:

- $\sigma_+$  and  $\sigma_-$  are the raising and lowering operators for the atom.

c. The contribution to the system Liouvillian from the atom's pure dephasing, considering its dephasing rate  $\gamma_p$ , is given by another Lindblad term:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dephasing}}(\rho) = \frac{\gamma_p}{2} (2\sigma_z \rho \sigma_z - \sigma_z^2 \rho - \rho \sigma_z^2)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{dephasing}}(\rho) = \gamma_p (\sigma_z \rho \sigma_z - \rho)$$

Where:

- $\sigma_z$  is the Pauli-Z operator representing the atomic coherence.

## 1.3 Cavity response via QuTip

### 1.3.1 Weak Coupling

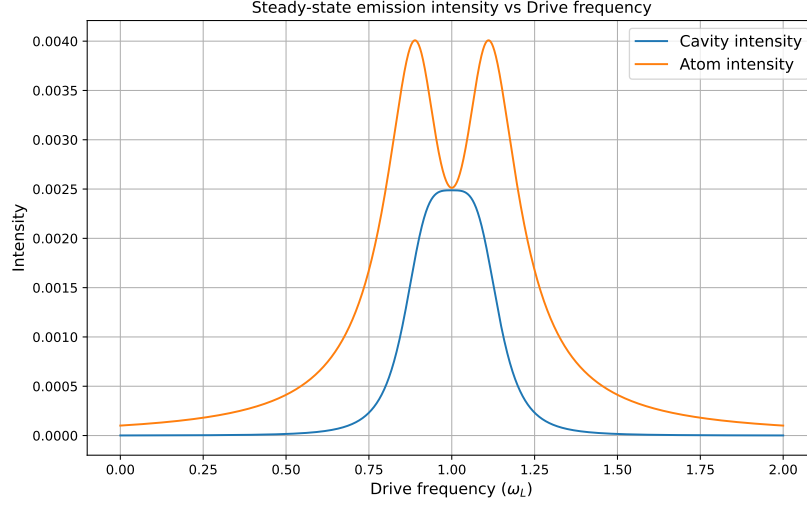


Figure 1: Intensity versus  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $\omega_a = \omega_c = 1$ ,  $g = 0.1$  and  $\kappa = 0.02$

**Comments :** In the weak coupling regime we can observe the Lorentzian curve with the width proportional to  $\kappa$ .

### 1.3.2 Strong Coupling

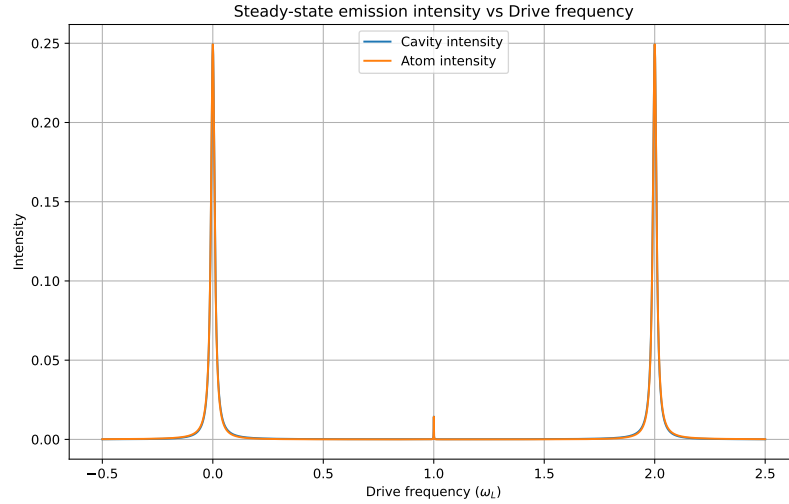


Figure 2: Intensity versus  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $\omega_a = \omega_c = 1$ ,  $g = 1$  and  $\kappa = 0.001$

**Comments :** In the strong coupling regime we observe that width of the peaks is very thin as  $\kappa$  is very small also the separation between the peaks is large because of larger  $g$ .

### 1.3.3 Detuned limit

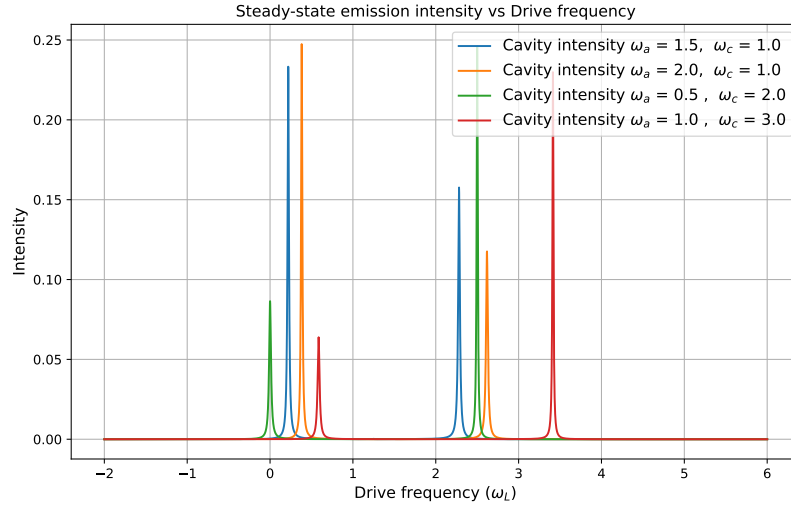


Figure 3: Cavity Intensity vs  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $g = 1$  and  $\kappa = 0.01$

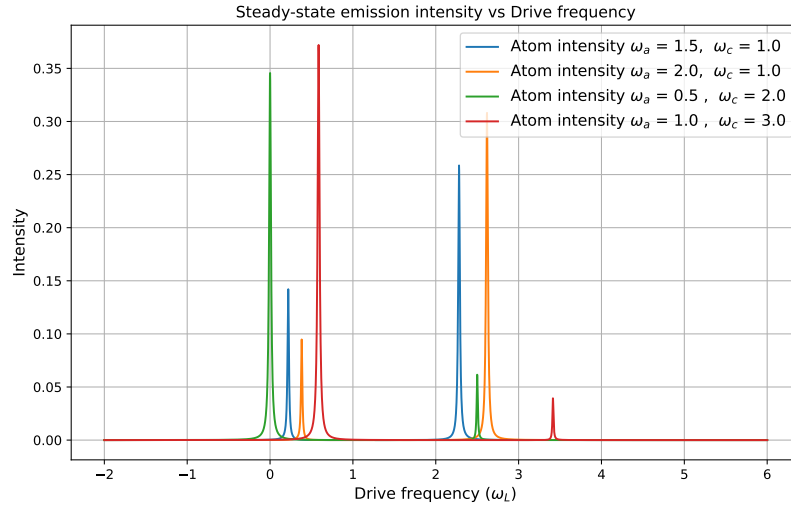


Figure 4: Atom Intensity vs  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $g = 1$  and  $\kappa = 0.01$

**Comments :** We observe the asymmetrical spectra depending upon the values for  $\omega_c$  and  $\omega_a$ , with higher intensity when the drive frequency is in resonance with  $\omega_c$  or  $\omega_a$ .

### 1.3.4 Nonlinear Saturation

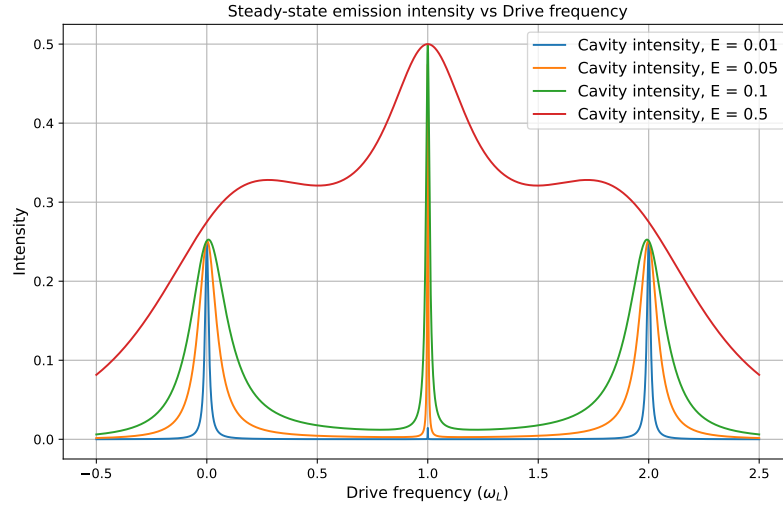


Figure 5: Cavity Intensity vs  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $\omega_a = \omega_c = 1$ ,  $g = 1$ ,  $\kappa = 0.001$  and Fock space dimension  $d=2$

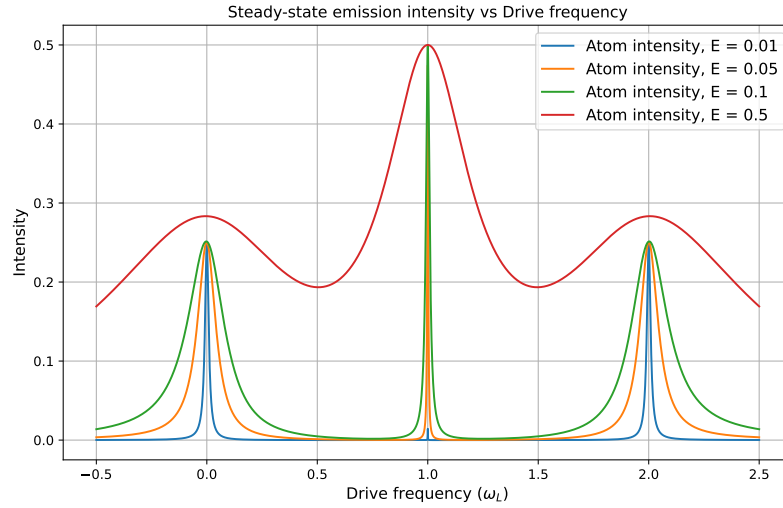


Figure 6: Atom Intensity vs  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $\omega_a = \omega_c = 1$ ,  $g = 1$ ,  $\kappa = 0.001$  and Fock space dimension  $d=2$

**Comments :** If we restrict to two dimensional fock space then we will only observe single photon excitation.

Fock space dimension = 8

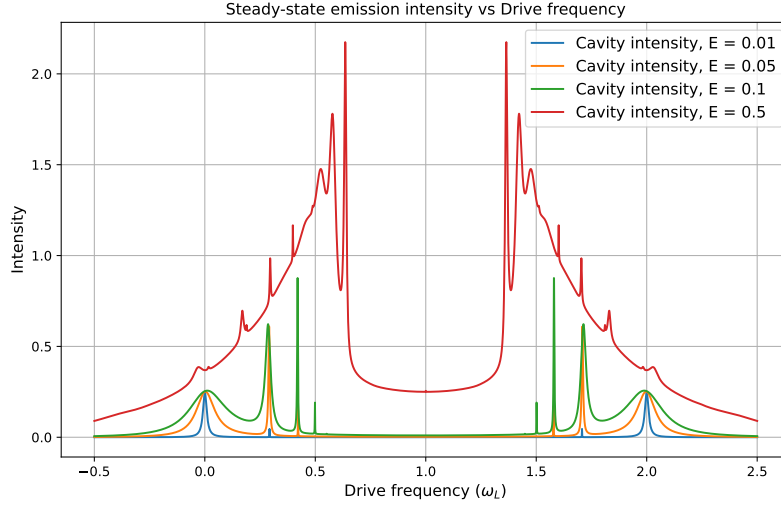


Figure 7: Cavity Intensity vs  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $\omega_a = \omega_c = 1$ ,  $g = 1$ ,  $\kappa = 0.001$  and Fock space dimension  $d=8$

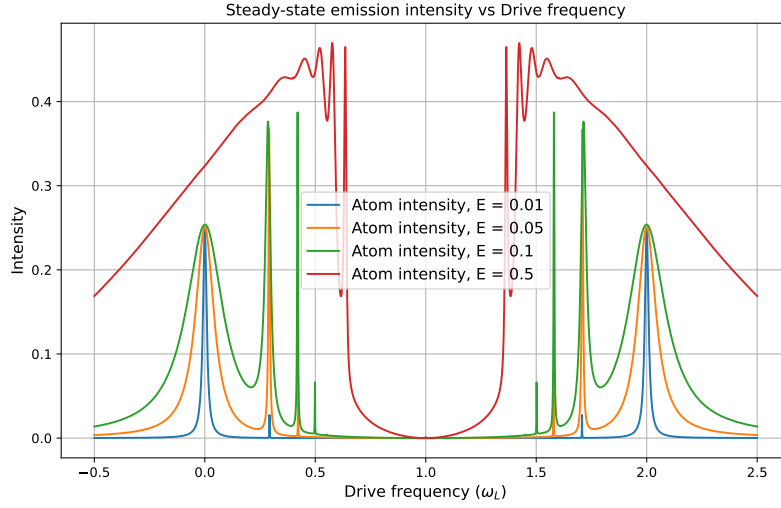


Figure 8: Atom Intensity vs  $\omega_L$  with parameters :  $\omega_a = \omega_c = 1$ ,  $g = 1$ ,  $\kappa = 0.001$  and Fock space dimension  $d=8$

**Comments :** The outermost peaks corresponds to single photon excitation whereas the inner peaks corresponds to multi photon excitation. This is most prominent for the strong field  $E = 0.5$

## 2 Modelling a real system

### 2.1 Downloaded the paper

### 2.2 Read the paper

### 2.3 Reproduction of Fig. 7a

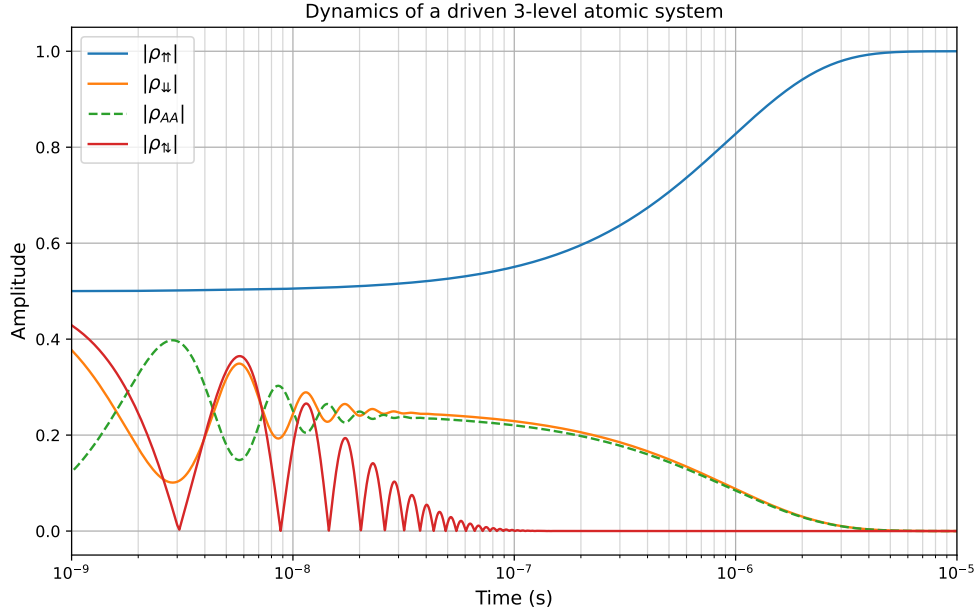


Figure 9: Three level model, with parameters :  $\chi = 100$ ,  $\frac{\gamma}{2\pi} = 35\text{MHz}$ ,  $\Omega_{A1} = 5\gamma$  and  $\delta = 0$  [2]

### 2.4 Comments on the relation of the data in the figure to photon generation

The initial state of the system is the equal superposition of  $|\downarrow\rangle$  state and  $|\uparrow\rangle$  state. The  $|\downarrow\rangle$  is driven to  $|A\rangle$  state and its population initially drops as seen in the drop of  $|\rho_{\downarrow\downarrow}|$  the Figure 9, and the population of  $|A\rangle$  state increases and then the population of  $|A\rangle$  state starts to decrease as seen in the drop of  $|\rho_{AA}|$ . This drop is directly related to photon generation as the system emits radiation via relaxation to the  $|\downarrow\rangle$  state at rate  $\gamma_{A1}$ , or the  $|\uparrow\rangle$  state at rate  $\gamma_{A2}$ . Every time the population of  $|A\rangle$  state drops as seen by the drop in  $|\rho_{AA}|$ , we will observe photons.

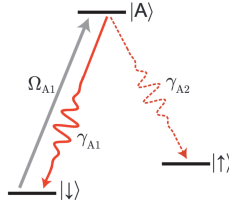


Figure 10: A three-level atomic system is driven to the  $|A\rangle$  state at rate  $\Omega_{A1}$ . From  $|A\rangle$ , the system emits radiation via relaxation to the  $|\downarrow\rangle$  state at rate  $\gamma_{A1}$ , or the  $|\uparrow\rangle$  state at rate  $\gamma_{A2}$ .

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