

Weakly coherent collisional models

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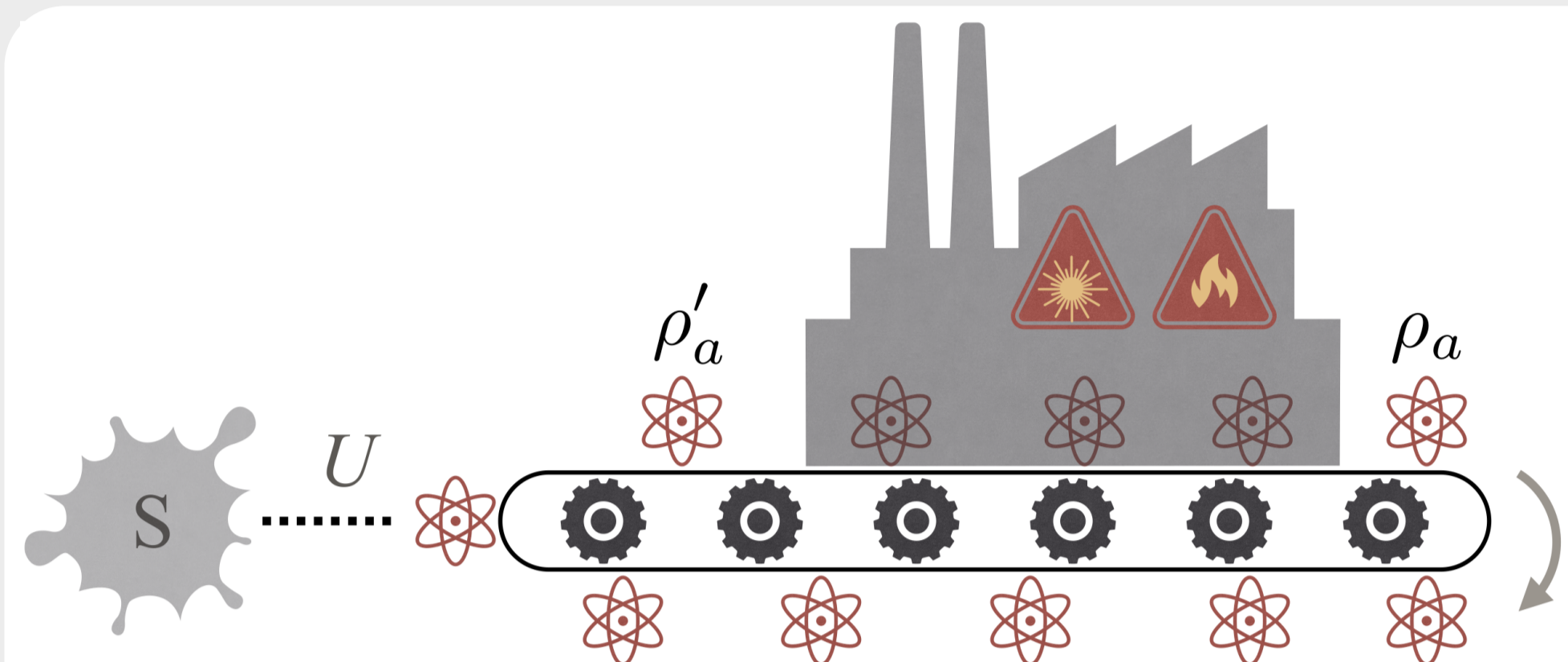
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Collisional models



- Prepare system ρ_S and unit ρ_A uncorrelated.
- Interact: $U = \exp\{-iV\tau\}$.
- Throw unit away.
- Repeat.

Global Map:

$$\rho'_{SA} = U(\rho_S \otimes \rho_A)U^\dagger$$

For the system:

$$\rho'_S = \text{Tr}_A\{U(\rho_S \otimes \rho_A)U^\dagger\}.$$

Perturbative coherence

Introducing weakly coherent states:

$$\rho_A = \rho_A^{\text{th}} + \sqrt{\tau}\lambda\chi.$$

Scaling for dissipative effect:

$$V \rightarrow V/\sqrt{\tau}$$

For small τ :

$$\rho'_S = \rho_S - i\tau[H_S + \lambda G, \rho_S] + \tau\mathcal{D}[\rho_S],$$

$$G = \text{Tr}_A\{V\chi\},$$

$$\mathcal{D} = -\frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}_A\{[V, [V, \rho_S \otimes \rho_A^{\text{th}}]]\},$$

- Thermal state induces dissipation
- Weak coherence induces non-commutative unitary evolution

Continuum limit

Taking

$$\dot{\rho} = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho'_S - \rho_S}{\tau},$$

then:

$$\dot{\rho}_S = -i[H_S + \lambda G, \rho_S] + \mathcal{D}[\rho_S]$$

- Exact master equation
- Lindblad dissipator

Parametrization

Parametrization of energy preserving interaction:

$$V = \sum_k g_k(L_k A_k^\dagger + L_k^\dagger A_k),$$

where the eigenoperators L_k and A_k are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} [H_S, L_k] &= -\omega_k L_k, \\ [H_S, A_k] &= -\omega_k A_k. \end{aligned}$$

$$G = \sum_k g_k(L_k \langle A_k^\dagger \rangle_\chi + L_k^\dagger \langle A_k \rangle_\chi)$$

$$\mathcal{D}[\rho_S] = \sum_k |g_k|^2 \left\{ \langle A_k A_k^\dagger \rangle_{\text{th}} \mathcal{D}[L_k] + \langle A_k^\dagger A_k \rangle_{\text{th}} \mathcal{D}[L_k^\dagger] \right\}$$

Example : Qubits

$$V = g(\sigma_+^S \sigma_-^A + \sigma_-^S \sigma_+^A),$$

$$\rho_A = \begin{pmatrix} f & 0 \\ 0 & 1-f \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q \\ q & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

then

$$G = gq\sigma_x,$$

and

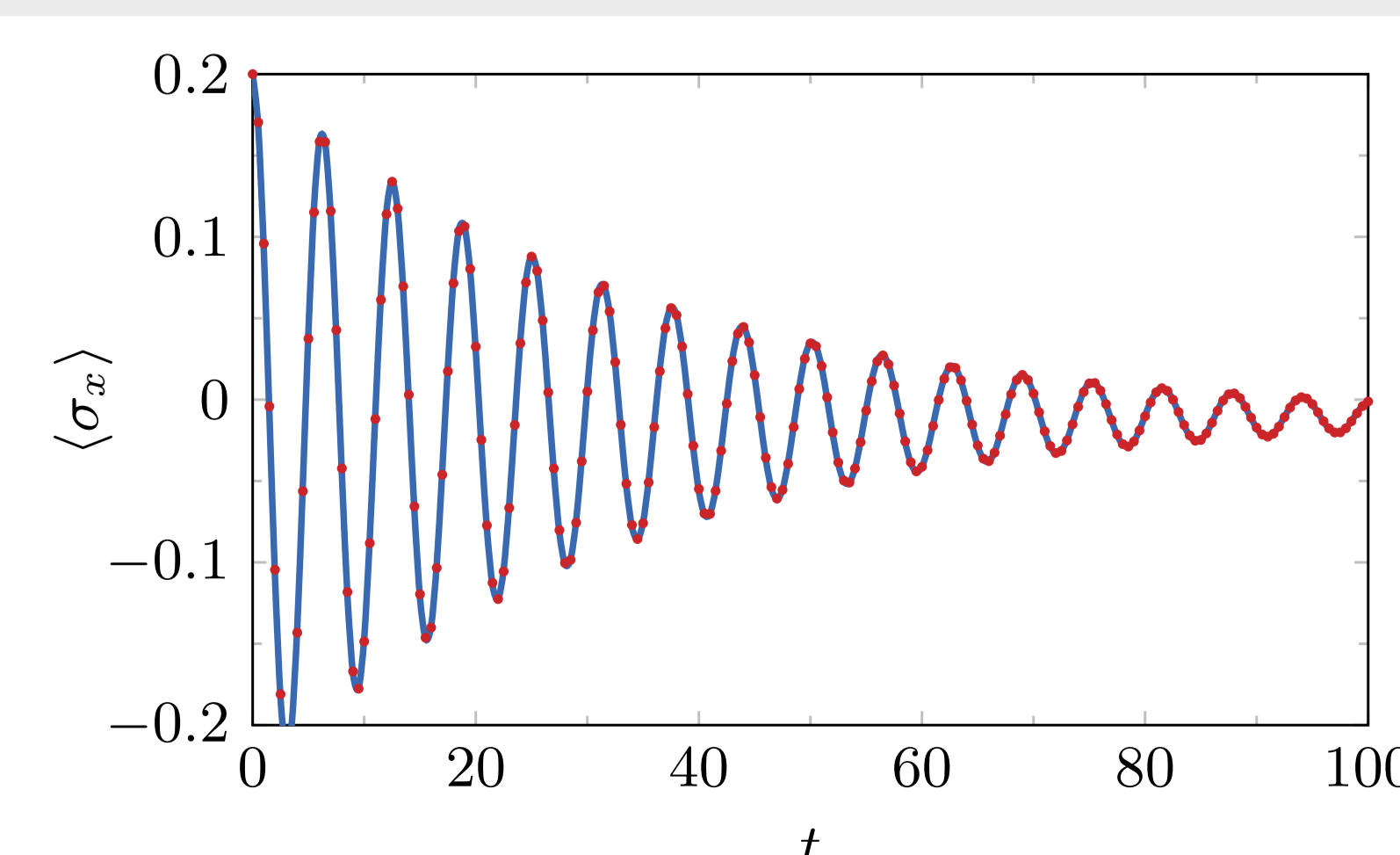
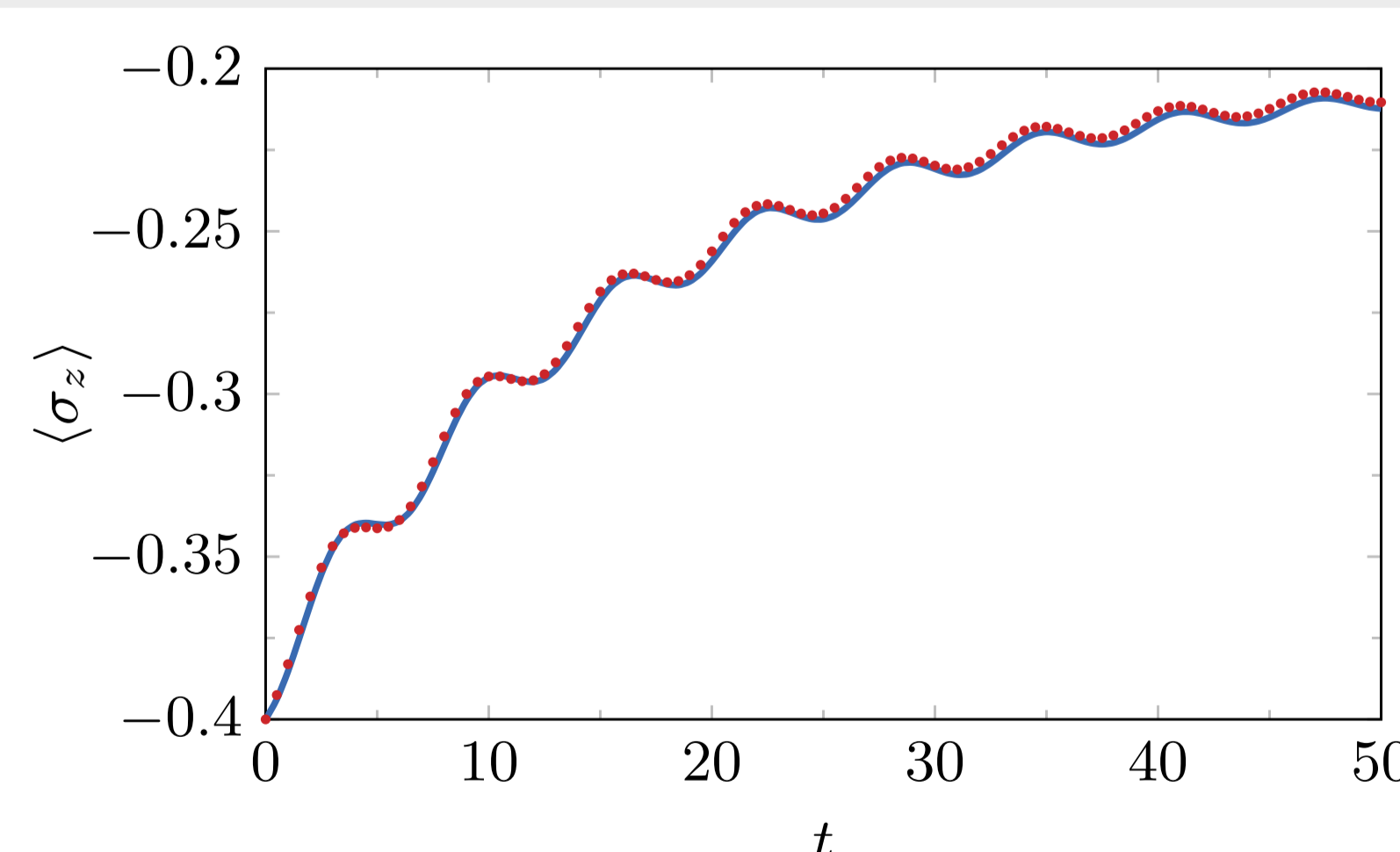
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(\rho_S) &= \gamma^- \left[\sigma_-^S \rho_S \sigma_+^S - \frac{1}{2} \{ \sigma_+^S \sigma_-^S, \rho_S \} \right] \\ &+ \gamma^+ \left[\sigma_+^S \rho_S \sigma_-^S - \frac{1}{2} \{ \sigma_-^S \sigma_+^S, \rho_S \} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\gamma^- = g^2(1-f), \quad \gamma^+ = g^2 f. \quad (1)$$

For $\sqrt{\tau}\lambda = 0.7$, $q = 0.1$, $\omega = 1$, $g = 0.25$ and $f = 0.4$:

EME vs Exact Dynamics



Energy Balance

$$\dot{H}_A \equiv \dot{Q}$$

$$\dot{H}_S = i\lambda \text{tr}\{[H_S, G]\rho_S\} + \text{tr}\{\mathcal{D}[\rho]H_S\}.$$

$$\dot{W}_c \equiv i\lambda \text{tr}\{[H_S, G]\rho_S\}$$

$$\dot{Q}_{inc} \equiv \tau \text{tr}\{\mathcal{D}[\rho]H_S\}.$$

$$\dot{H}_S = -\dot{Q} = \dot{W}_c + \dot{Q}_{inc}.$$

- Transformation process: Disordered to ordered energy.
- Quantum coherence as a resource.
- No work! Interaction preserves energy.¹

Entropy production

Defined as:²

$$\Sigma = \mathcal{I}(S:A)' + K(\rho'_A || \rho_A) \geq 0,$$

where \mathcal{I} and K are the mutual information and Kullback-Leibler divergence respectively.

With the map above:

$$\dot{W}_c \geq -T \dot{C}_A$$

- C_A is the coherence entropy, is a measure for coherence.
- Coherence consumption bounds ordered energy produced

Moreover:

$$\dot{\Sigma} = \beta(\dot{W}_c - \dot{F}_S) = \dot{S}_S - \beta\dot{Q}_{inc}.$$

- Modified second law

Next Steps

- Study thermal engines mixing classical and quantum resources
- Include external work

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