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## Markovian approximation for correlated initial states

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# The question

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Open system - reservoir (SR) Hamiltonian

$$H_{\lambda} = H_S + H_R + \lambda I$$

↑  
coupling parameter

acting on Hilbert space

$$\mathcal{H}_{SR} = \mathcal{H}_S \otimes \mathcal{H}_R$$

← field of oscillators

↑  
finite-dimensional

Schrödinger dynamics

$$\rho_{SR}^t = e^{-itH_A} \rho_{SR} e^{itH_A}$$

← initial state

Reduced system state

$$\rho_S^t = \text{tr}_R \rho_{SR}^t$$

← partial trace

Two kinds of initial states:

$$\rho_{SR} = \rho_S \otimes \rho_R$$

uncorrelated

$\rho_{SR}$  not of product form

correlated

# Reduced dynamics of uncorrelated initial states $\rho_S \otimes \rho_R$

## Born approximation

( $\rho_R$  stationary,  $S \ll R$  &  $\lambda$  small)

$$\rho_{SR}^t \approx \rho_S^t \otimes \rho_R$$

## Markov approximation

( $R$  loses memory quickly enough)

$$\rho_S^t \approx e^{t\mathcal{L}} \rho_S$$

## Master equation

(Dynamical map for system)

$$\rho_S \mapsto V_t \rho_S = e^{t\mathcal{L}} \rho_S$$

Davies generator  $\mathcal{L}$  from weak coupling (van Hove) limit

$\tau = \lambda^2 t$  fixed,  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ ,  $t \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$e^{\tau \mathcal{L}} \rho_S = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \text{tr}_R \left[ e^{-i \frac{\tau}{\lambda^2} H_A} e^{i \frac{\tau}{\lambda^2} H_0} (\rho_S \otimes \rho_R) e^{-i \frac{\tau}{\lambda^2} H_0} e^{i \frac{\tau}{\lambda^2} H_A} \right]$$

interaction picture dynamics, rescaled

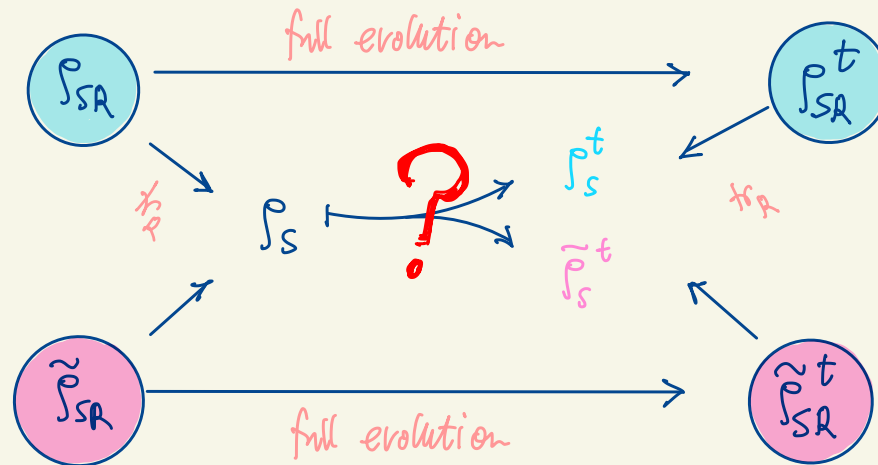
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\lambda) = -i [H_S, \cdot] + \lambda^2 \mathcal{K}$$

generates CPTP semigroup

# Reduced dynamics of correlated initial states ??

$$\rho_S^t = \text{tr}_R \left( e^{-itH_A} \rho_{SR} e^{itH_A} \right)$$

- Born approximation **X**  $\rho_{SR}^t \not\approx \rho_S \otimes \rho_R$
- Dynamical map **X**  $\rho_S \xrightarrow{V_t} \rho_S^t$



Cannot define dynamical map  $V_t$  but can still analyze structure of reduced  $S$  dynamics

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### Kraus representation in the presence of initial correlations

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### Dynamics of initially correlated open quantum systems: Theory and applications

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# Works similar in spirit to ours



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$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \rho_I(\tau) = \mathcal{K} \rho_I(\tau), \quad \rho_I(0) = \mathcal{P} \rho_0 = \text{tr}_B \{ \rho_0 \} \otimes \Omega_B. \quad (4.4)$$

That is, even if the initial state  $\rho_0$  is not in a factorized form, but rather there is entanglement, or simply a classical correlation, between system S and reservoir B, all correlations disappear in van Hove's limit and system S behaves as if the total system started from the factorized initial state in (4.4) with a reservoir state  $\Omega_B$  specified below.



**Correlation-Picture Approach to Open-Quantum-System Dynamics**

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Rindblad-type ME  
with jump operators depending on initial correlation

Our main results : Perturbation theory small  $\lambda$ , all times  $t \geq 0$ .

- Initial correlations decay and then Markov approximation becomes valid for SA dynamics.
- Markovian approximation for reduced  $S$  dynamics is valid for all times.



## Operational approach to open dynamics and quantifying initial correlations

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Quantum process tomography



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## Witness for initial system-environment correlations in open-system dynamics

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Initial SQ correlation can increase distinguishability of system states.

# Model

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S R open quantum system:  $N$ -level  $S$  coupled to thermal  $R$

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^N \otimes \mathcal{F}$$

$\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} L_S^2(\mathbb{R}^{3n}, d^{3n}k)$   
Bosonic Fock space

$$H_\lambda = H_S + H_R + \lambda I$$

coupling constant

## Uncoupled Hamiltonians

$$H_S = \sum_{j=1}^N E_j |\phi_j\rangle \langle \phi_j|, \quad H_R = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \omega(\mathbf{k}) a^*(\mathbf{k}) a(\mathbf{k}) d^3\mathbf{k}$$

↖  $|\mathbb{R}^3|$

## Interaction operator

$$I = G \otimes \psi(g)$$

↖ any hermitian matrix

$$\psi(g) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [a^*(g) + a(g)]$$

$$a^*(g) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \overline{g(\mathbf{k})} a^*(\mathbf{k}) d^3\mathbf{k}$$

↖  $g(\mathbf{k}) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3, d^3\mathbf{k})$   
'form factor'

## Equilibrium states

S: Gibbs density matrix

$$\rho_{S,\beta} = \frac{e^{-\beta H_S}}{\text{tr } e^{-\beta H_S}}$$

R: Infinitely extended (continuous modes) KMS state  $\omega_{R,\beta}$

Two-point function

$$\omega_{R,\beta} (a^*(k)a(l)) = \frac{\delta(k-l)}{e^{\beta\omega(k)} - 1}$$

## Initial states

↓ quantum channel

$$\rho_{SR}(\cdot) = \Lambda(\rho_S \otimes W_{R,\beta}) \equiv \sum_{\alpha} \rho_S \otimes W_{R,\beta} (K_{\alpha}^* \cdot K_{\alpha})$$

$$\sum_{\alpha} K_{\alpha}^* K_{\alpha} = \mathbb{1}$$

Kraus ops

$K_{\alpha} \in \mathcal{C}$  'correlator algebra'

# Observable and Correlator algebras

$$\mathcal{O} = \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{C}^N) \otimes \mathcal{W}(L_{\text{obs}}^2)$$

Weyl algebra

$$\mathcal{C} = \text{alg span} \{ \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{F} \}$$

sums and products

$\mathcal{F}$ : linear comb. of  $B \otimes a^*(f_1) \cdots a^*(f_R)$ ,  $f_j \in L_{\text{cor}}^2$

$\mathcal{A}$ : linear comb. of  $\exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^R B_j \otimes a^\#(f_j)\right)$ ,  $f_j \in L_{\text{cor}}^2$

## Test function spaces

$L^2_{\text{obs}}$  :  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3, d^3k)$  3 times differentiable w.r.t.  $|k| > 0$  &

•  $|k| \sim 0$  :  $f(k) \sim |k|^p$   $p = -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$  or  $p > 1$

•  $|k| \rightarrow \infty$  :  $f(k) \sim |k|^{-q}$   $q > 3$

$L^2_{\text{cor}}$  :  $f \in L^2_{\text{obs}}$  and also  $e^{\beta|k|} f(k) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3, d^3k)$



Example of initial state:


$$\rho_{SA} = \frac{1}{Z} e^{\mathcal{E}} \left( \rho_S \otimes \omega_{R,\beta} \right) e^{\mathcal{E}^*}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \sum_j B_j \otimes a^*(f_j) + \sum_\ell D_\ell \otimes a(h_\ell)$$

## Assumption on effectiveness of SR coupling

Fermi Golden Rule Condition

spectral density of reservoir


$$\langle \phi_m, G \phi_n \rangle \mathcal{J}(|E_m - E_n|) \neq 0 \quad \forall E_m \neq E_n$$

Second order transition processes are not suppressed

# Main result

**Theorem 3.4 (SR dynamics for correlated initial states)** *There is a constant  $\lambda_0 > 0$  such that if  $|\lambda| < \lambda_0$ , then the following holds true. Let  $\rho_{\text{SR}} = \Lambda(\rho_{\text{S}} \otimes \omega_{\text{R},\beta})$  and let  $\rho_{\text{S}}$  be its reduction to  $S$ . Then for all  $t \geq 0$ ,  $O \in \mathcal{O}$ ,*

$$\rho_{\text{SR}}(e^{itH_\lambda} O e^{-itH_\lambda}) = (e^{t\mathcal{L}_{\text{S}}(\lambda)} \rho_{\text{S}} \otimes \omega_{\text{R},\beta})(O) + \chi(\lambda, t, O) + R(\lambda, t, O),$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{S}}(\lambda)$  is the Davies generator and

$$|R(\lambda, t, O)| \leq C(O) |\lambda|^{1/4}.$$

The correlation term  $\chi$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(\lambda, t, O) &= 0 && \text{if } \rho_{\text{SR}} = \rho_{\text{S}} \otimes \omega_{\text{R},\beta} \\ \chi(\lambda, t, O_{\text{S}} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{\text{R}}) &= 0 \\ |\chi(\lambda, t, O)| &\leq C(O) (1 + t^2)^{-3/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The constants  $C(O)$  depend on  $O$  as well as the initial state  $\rho_{\text{SR}}$  (but are independent of  $t, \lambda$ ). For  $O = O_{\text{S}} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{\text{R}}$  we have  $C(O_{\text{S}} \otimes \mathbb{1}_{\text{R}}) \leq c \|O_{\text{S}}\|$  with  $c$  independent of  $O_{\text{S}}$ .

## Consequences

① The Born approximation holds  $\rho_{SR}^t \approx \rho_S^t \otimes \omega_{R\beta}$  & the Markov approximation  $\rho_S^t \approx e^{t\mathcal{L}}$  holds, as soon as the initial correlation has decayed ( $\sim 1/t^3$ )

② The system dynamics is Markovian at all times:

$$\text{tr}_R(\rho_{SR}^t) = e^{t\mathcal{L}}(\text{tr}_R \rho_{SR}^0) + O(|\lambda|^{1/4})$$

# Outline of proof

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$$\omega_0 \equiv \rho_{S,\beta} \otimes \omega_{R,\beta}$$

uncoupled equilibrium state

$$\alpha_\lambda^t(\cdot) \equiv e^{itH_\lambda} \cdot e^{-itH_\lambda}$$

Heisenberg dynamics

KMS condition  $\omega_0(A \alpha_0^{i\beta}(B)) = \omega_0(BA)$

$$\omega_0(K^* \alpha_\lambda^t(0) K)$$

$$= \omega_0\left(\underline{\alpha_0^{-i\beta}(K) K^* \alpha_\lambda^t(0)}\right)$$

$$\equiv \omega_0\left(e \alpha_\lambda^t(0)\right)$$

GNS representation

$$= \langle \Omega_0, \pi(\mathcal{C}) \pi(\alpha_\lambda^t(0)) \Omega_0 \rangle$$

Liouville operator

$$= \langle \Omega_0, \pi(\mathcal{C}) e^{itL_\lambda} \pi(0) e^{-itL_\lambda} \Omega_0 \rangle$$

Perturbation theory of KMS states:  $\|\Omega_0 - \Omega_\lambda\| \leq C|\lambda|$

Invariance  $L_\lambda \Omega_\lambda = 0$

$$= \langle \Omega_0, \pi(\mathcal{C}) e^{itL_\lambda} \pi(0) \Omega_0 \rangle + o(|\lambda|)$$

↑  
indep. of  $t$

Use resonance expansion [KM 2017, M 2021]

$$e^{itL_\lambda} = e^{itM(\lambda)} \otimes P_\Omega + P_\Omega^\perp e^{itL_\lambda^\perp} P_\Omega^\perp + O(|\lambda|^{1/4})$$

weakly on dense set of vectors

$$P_\Omega = |\Omega_0\rangle\langle\Omega_0|$$

proj. onto uncoupled equilibrium

$$|\Omega_0\rangle = |\Omega_S\rangle \otimes |\Omega_R\rangle$$

$$\omega_0(K^* \alpha_\lambda^t(0) K)$$

$$= \langle \Omega_0, \pi(\mathcal{C}) (e^{itM(\lambda)} \otimes P_\Omega) \pi(0) \Omega_0 \rangle + \chi(\lambda, t, 0)$$

$$+ O(|\lambda|^{1/4})$$

Term along  $P_\Omega$ :

$$(e^{itM(\lambda)} \otimes P_\Omega) \pi(0_S \otimes 0_R) \Omega_0$$

$$= \omega_{R,\beta}(0_R) \cdot (e^{itM(\lambda)} \otimes \mathbb{1}_R) \pi(0_S \otimes \mathbb{1}_R) \Omega_0$$

$$= \omega_{R,\beta}(0_R) \cdot \pi\left((e^{t\mathcal{L}^*} 0_S) \otimes \mathbb{1}_R\right) \Omega_0 \quad \text{defines } \mathcal{L}^*$$



$$\langle \Omega_0, \pi(e) (e^{itM(\alpha)} \otimes P_\Omega) \pi(O_S \otimes O_R) \Omega_0 \rangle$$

$$= \omega_{R,\beta}(O_R) \langle \Omega_0, \pi(\alpha^{-i\beta}(k) k^*) \pi(e^{t\mathcal{L}^*} O_S \otimes \mathbb{1}_R) \Omega_0 \rangle$$

KMS cond.

$$= \omega_{R,\beta}(O_R) \langle \Omega_0, \pi(k^*) \pi(e^{t\mathcal{L}^*} O_S \otimes \mathbb{1}_R) \pi(k) \Omega_0 \rangle$$

$$= \omega_{R,\beta}(O_R) \underbrace{\rho_{SR}(e^{t\mathcal{L}^*} O_S \otimes \mathbb{1}_R)}$$

$\rho_S(e^{t\mathcal{L}^*} O_S)$  reduced initial state

$$= \rho_S \otimes \omega_{R,\beta}(e^{t\mathcal{L}^*} O_S \otimes O_R)$$

$$= (e^{t\mathcal{L}} \rho_S \otimes \omega_{R,\beta})(O_S \otimes O_R)$$



*Thank you* 🙏