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> Controllability & Optimal Control of Spins Coupled to a Dissipative Cavity

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 \rightarrow two papers in preparation, Available soon on ArXiv & Research gate Recent collaboration with the Quantronics Group (CEA-Saclay), in particular with S. Probst and P. Bertet.

 \rightarrow Experiments involving an ensemble of spins coupled to a microwave resonator

S. Probst & al. Shaped pulses for transient compensation in quantum-limited electron spin resonance spectroscopy, JMR 303, 42-47 (2019)

Q. Ansel & al. Optimal control of an inhomogeneous spin ensemble coupled to a cavity, Phys. Rev. A 98, 023425 (2018)



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Context

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→ to what extent can we control an open quantum system?
→ to what extent can we generate entanglement in a system with dissipation?

Quantum Control

 What is a quantum controloptimal problem ?





- Goal: find u(t) that minimizes some constraint(s) (e.g. control time)
 - ightarrow analytic expression (if lucky)
 - \rightarrow numerical optimization (otherwise)

Two model systems

- Ensemble of spins ½
- Damped cavity mode
- Jaynes-Cummings interaction
- Control with coherent and squeezing controls on the cavity mode

- Single spin ½ and max 1 quantum excitation.
- Damped cavity mode
- Jaynes-Cummings interaction
- Control of the spin energy transition.

→ Phys. Rev. X
 7,041011 (2017)
 → A. Bienfait,
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 → Appl. Phys.
 Lett. 111, 202604
 (2017).





→ Phys. Rev. A 61, 025802 (2000)

→ Phys. B 27, 1345053 (2013). 6

→ Sci. Rep. 8, 1 (2018)

Two model systems

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\frac{d\hat{\rho}}{dt} = -\frac{i}{\hbar}[\hat{H}(t),\hat{\rho}] + \kappa \left[\hat{a}\hat{\rho}\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2}\left(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\hat{\rho} + \hat{\rho}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\right)\right] \\
\hat{H}(t) = i\hbar \left[\beta(t)\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \beta(t)^{*}\hat{a}\right] + \alpha(t)\frac{i\hbar}{2}\left[(\hat{a}^{\dagger})^{2} - (\hat{a})^{2}\right] \\
+ \sum_{n=1}^{N_{s}} \frac{\hbar\Delta_{n}}{2}\hat{\sigma}_{z}^{(n)} + \hbar g \sum_{n=1}^{N_{s}}\left[\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{\sigma}_{-}^{(n)} + \hat{a}\hat{\sigma}_{+}^{(n)}\right] \\
\hat{H}_{0}$$

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- ightarrow Use of pulse sequences
- Each pulse is parameterized by its amplitude and its position in the sequence \rightarrow parameters to optimize numerically.





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Use at most 7 pulse packages \rightarrow max 28 parameters to determine

→Further details: Phys. Rev. A 98, 023425(2018), Q. Ansel, PhD thesis





• Collective controls on the spin ensemble.

- Spins cannot be controlled individually
- \rightarrow Make the control task very difficult...

Change of variables allows us to simplify drastically the system complexity.



Two model systems



Controllability ?

- <u>Definition</u>: Complete state controllability describes the ability of an external input (the control field(s)) to move the state of a system from any initial state to any other final state.
- Are the systems controllable ?

- The system is described by a liner time-dependent ODE→ controllability can be studied using Lie algebra methods.
- Complete controllability if the group GL(2,C) can be generated
- \rightarrow simple calculation shows that the reachable set is:



$$\mathcal{R}(t) = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-iW(t')} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-qt'} \end{pmatrix} h(W(t')), \\ \text{such that } h \in \mathsf{H} \subseteq SL(2\mathbb{C}), \text{ and } t' \leq t \\ \hline \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i\omega(t) & -p \\ p & -q \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

$$Not \ controllable \ !$$

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Same as before, but with another initial state.

Most of the points can be reached with simple controls (analytic formulas).

- Inhibition of the spin decay: modulated controls gives a modest improvement than the detuning effect.
- Efficient controls to drive the spin on the ground state.



- \rightarrow *no relaxation* : system is controllable.
- \rightarrow Set of possible transformations: SU(N)

 \rightarrow Squeezing field: faster generation of the dynamical Lie algebra.





Dimensions of the Lie algebra spanned by recursive commutators of the Hamiltonians. The commutator order corresponds to the maximum number of commutators taken into account. Calculations performed on a truncated Hilbert space.

 $DimH = 18, \rightarrow dim(su(18)) = N^2 - 1 = 323.$

Generation of a symmetric state (2 spins).



Optimal solution without cavity damping:

$$\begin{bmatrix} |\downarrow,\downarrow\rangle\\|0\rangle \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} (|\uparrow,\downarrow\rangle+|\downarrow,\uparrow\rangle)/\sqrt{2}\\|0\rangle \end{bmatrix}$$





Generation of entangled states with a measure of non-classicality.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}(t_f) &= \frac{8}{N_s^2} \sum_{m < n} \langle \hat{\sigma}_+^{(n)} \hat{\sigma}_-^{(m)} \rangle_c(t_f) \\ &= \frac{8}{N_s^2} \sum_{m < n} \langle \hat{\sigma}_+^{(n)} \hat{\sigma}_-^{(m)} \rangle(t_f) - \langle \hat{\sigma}_+^{(n)} \rangle(t_f) \langle \hat{\sigma}_-^{(m)} \rangle(t_f) \end{aligned}$$

- Ensemble of 4 spins.
- Short control duration ($t_{max}=\pi/2$).

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- Detuning distribution:

$$\Delta_n/g \in \{-1, -0.5, 0.5, 1\}$$



Selectivity of distinct spins with constant or sinusoidal controls.





The selectivity process can be optimized.

Cost function used in the calculations:

$$C = \lambda |c_1^{(2)}(t_f)|^2 - |c_1^{(1)}(t_f)|^2$$

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Conclusion



Explore the physical limits of these control problems.

Controllability of Spin systems coupled to a dissipative environement

No full controllability



Simple control mechanisms (model 2)

Squeezing enhance the generation of the dynamic Lie algebra (model 1) Generation of Entangled state

Strongly limited by

the relaxation Squeezing provides

Better results with a measure of non classicality

Selectivity

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Optimal control Allows to reach the Physical limit of parameter selectivity

- Use of bump pulse (coherent control)
- ightarrow Short pulse approximation
- → simplify the numerical calculations.



