

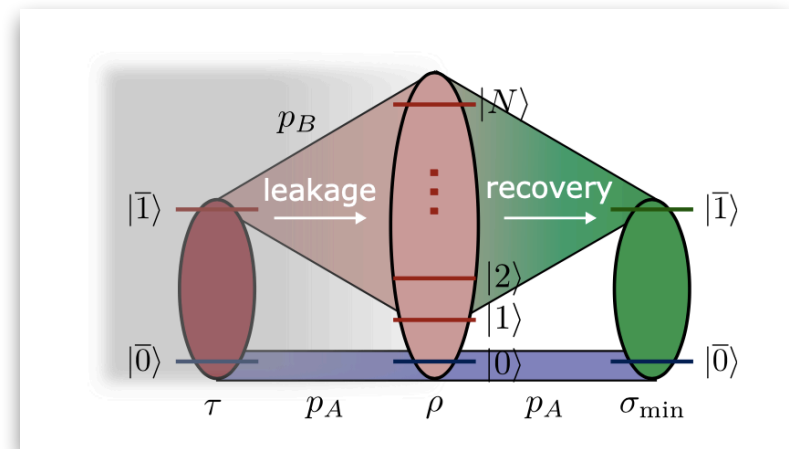


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Recovery of qubit state after noisy leakage in high-dimensional space



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joint work with:



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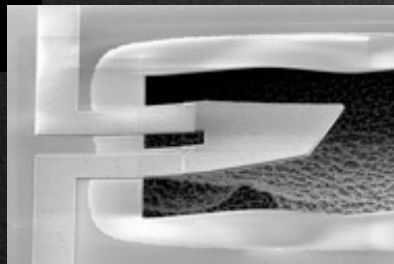
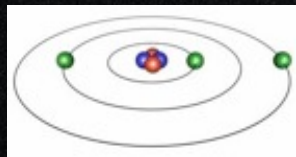
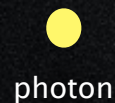
Quantum thermodynamics - Motivation

MICROSCOPIC WORLD

- atoms, electrons, photons

Quantum Mech

- superpositions
- quantum correlations

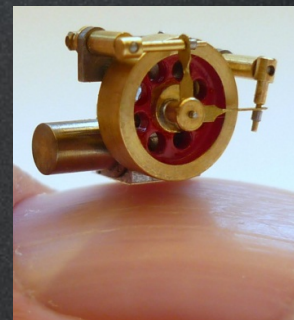


MACROSCOPIC WORLD

- gases, fluids, solids
- pistons and weights

Classical Mech

- work, heat, entropy
- 1st law, 2nd law, 3rd law
- Carnot efficiency, engines



Quantum thermodynamics

- include small ensemble sizes
- include non-equilibrium properties
- include quantum properties

1 nm/1 amu

1 m/1 kg

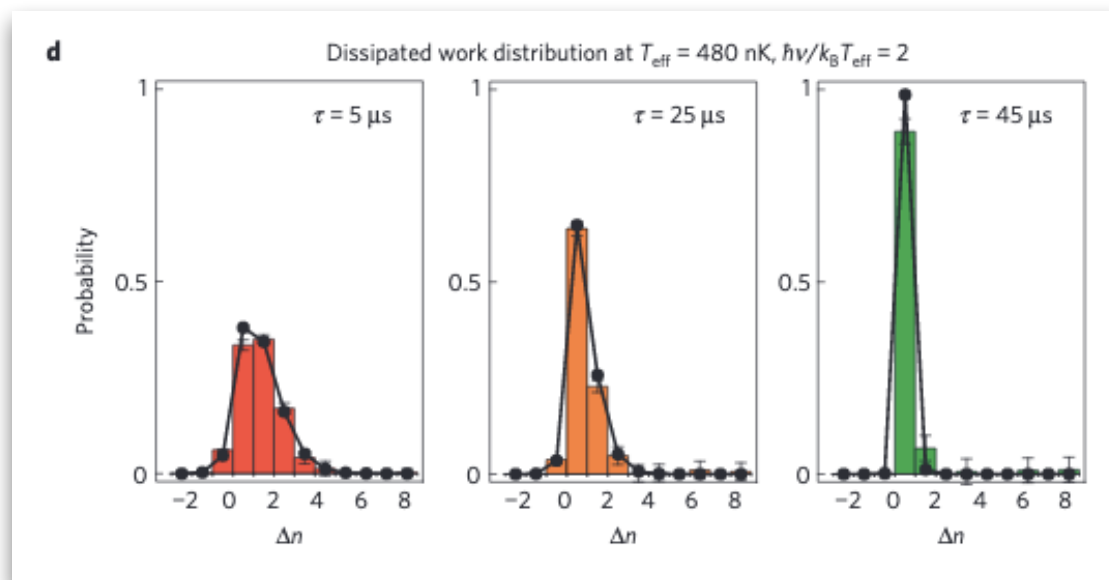


Experimental test of the quantum Jarzynski equality with a trapped-ion system

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extension of classical
fluctuation relations to
quantum regime

$$\langle e^{-\beta W} \rangle = e^{-\beta \Delta F}$$



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Coherence and measurement in quantum thermodynamics

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Thermodynamics is a highly successful macroscopic theory widely used across the natural sciences and for the construction of everyday devices, from car engines to solar cells. With thermodynamics predating quantum theory, research now aims to uncover the thermodynamic laws that govern finite size systems which may in addition host quantum effects. Recent theoretical breakthroughs include the characterisation of the efficiency of quantum thermal engines, the extension of classical

coherences are a source of work
(or heat, depending on how they are used)

$$\langle W_{ext}^{max} \rangle = k_B T [S(\eta_H) - S(\rho)] > 0$$

for initial states with coherences

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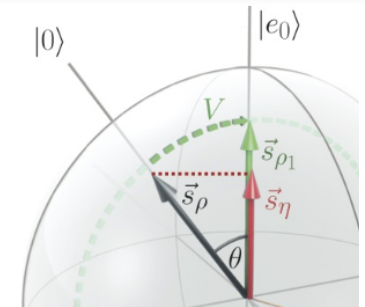
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The role of quantum measurement in stochastic thermodynamics

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This article sets up a new formalism to investigate stochastic thermodynamics in the quantum regime, where stochasticity and irreversibility primarily come from quantum measurement. In the absence of any bath, we define a purely quantum component to heat exchange, that corresponds to energy fluctuations caused by quantum measurement. Energetic and entropic signatures of measurement-induced irreversibility are then explored for canonical experiments of quantum optics, and the energetic cost of counter-acting decoherence is studied on a simple state-stabilizing protocol. By placing quantum measurement in a central position, our formalism contributes to bridge a gap between experimental quantum optics and quantum thermodynamics, and opens new paths to characterize the energetic features of quantum processing.

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Equivalence of Quantum Heat Machines, and Quantum-Thermodynamic Signatures

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Editors' Suggestion

Experimental Demonstration of Quantum Effects in the Operation of Microscopic Heat Engines

James Klatzow, Jonas N. Becker, Patrick M. Ledingham, Christian Weinzetl, Krzysztof T. Kaczmarek, Dylan J. Saunders, Joshua Nunn, Ian A. Walmsley, Raam Uzdin, and Eilon Poem
 Phys. Rev. Lett. **122**, 110601 – Published 20 March 2019

Physics See Viewpoint: [Powering an Engine with Quantum Coherence](#)

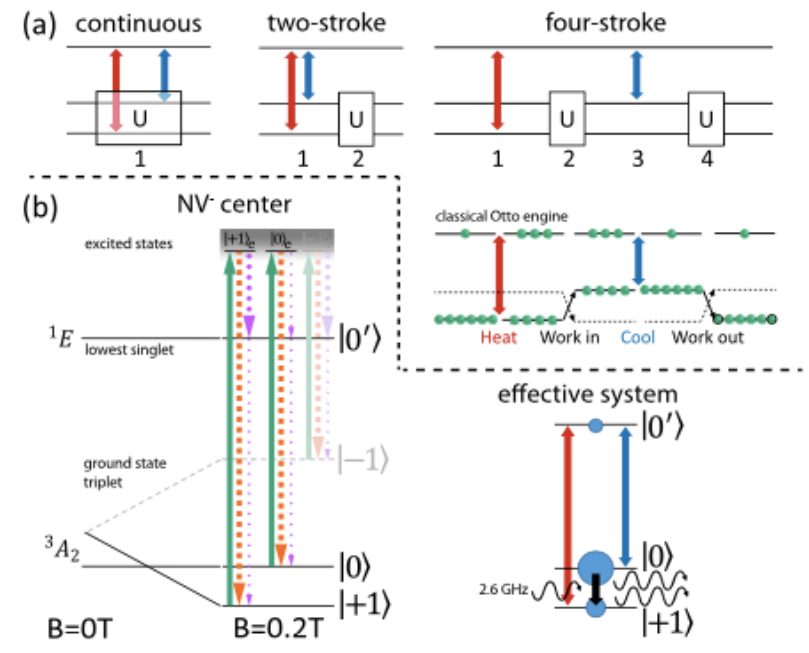
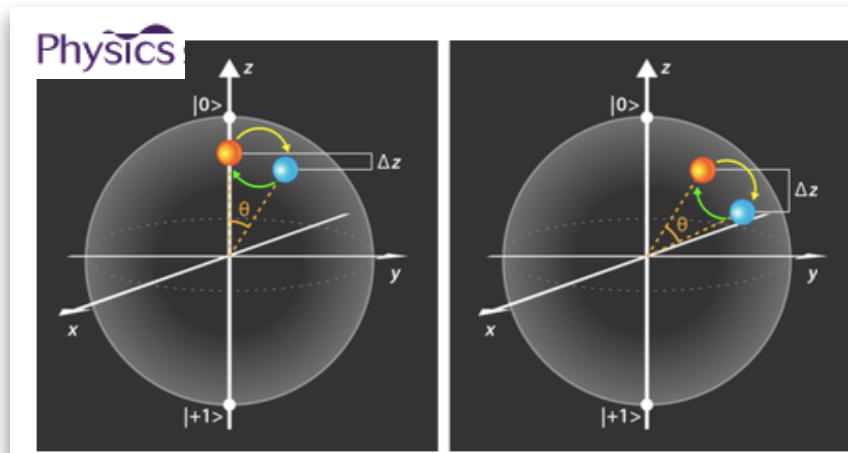


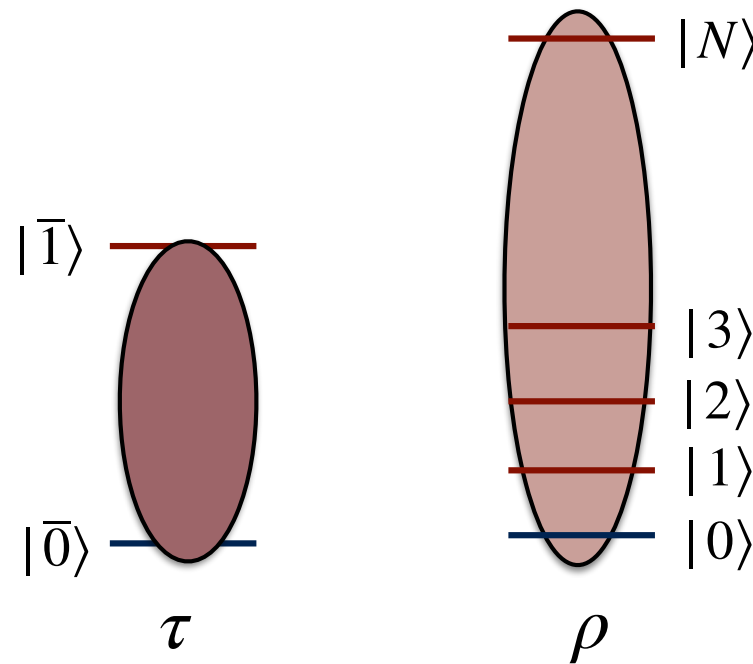
FIG. 1. Quantum heat engine schematics. (a) Three basic heat

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with $|\alpha| \gg 1$

so that $\langle 0|\alpha\rangle = e^{-|\alpha|^2/2} \approx 0$

von Neumann entropy

$$S(\cdot) = -\text{tr}[\cdot \log_2 \cdot]$$

$$S(\tau) \leq 1$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 |\bar{0}\rangle \\
 |\bar{1}\rangle
 \end{array}
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recovery?

$$S(\tau) \leq S(\rho)$$

$$S(\rho) \leq \log_2(N+1)$$

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Quantum Maxwell demon experiment



Observing a quantum Maxwell demon at work

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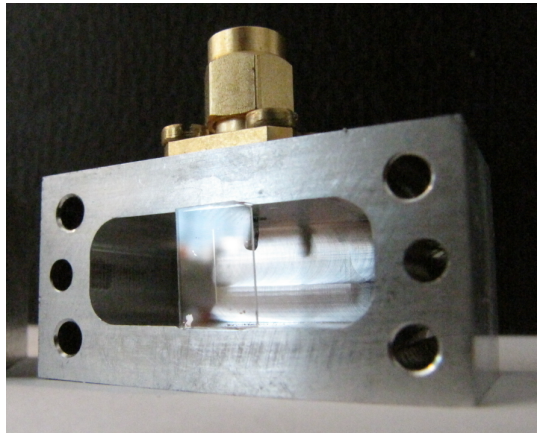
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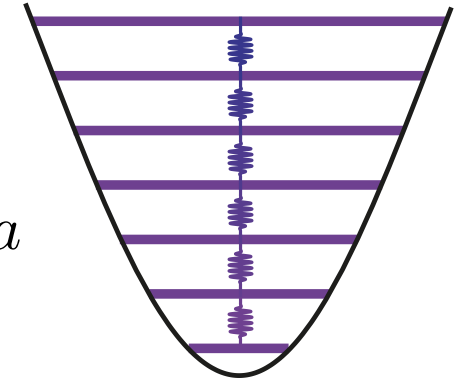
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- ◆ microwave cavity = c = D



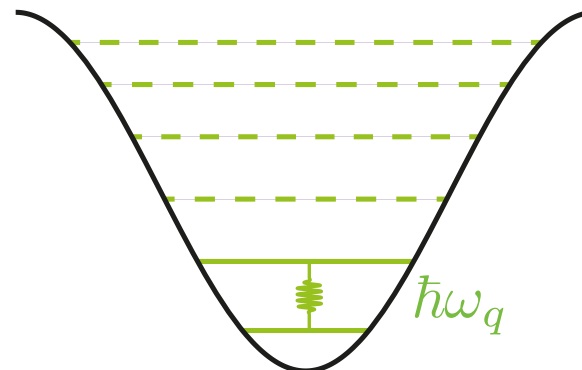
$$H_c \approx \hbar\omega_c a^\dagger a$$



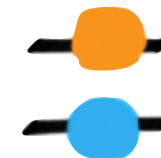
large physical space:
photon number basis

- ◆ superconducting transmon qubit = q = S

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{q}^2}{2C_J} - E_J \cos \frac{\hat{\phi}}{\hbar/2e} = \frac{\hat{q}^2}{2C_J} + \frac{\hat{\phi}^2}{2L_J} + H_{\text{non-lin}}(\hat{\phi})$$



$$H_q \approx 0 |g\rangle\langle g| + \hbar\omega_q |e\rangle\langle e|$$

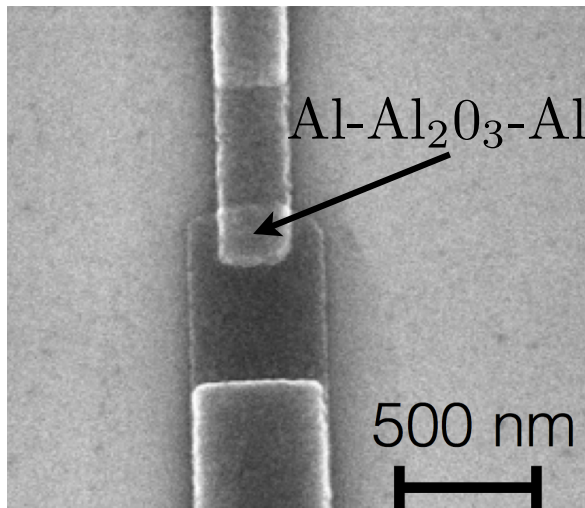


Maxwell demon recording information

$|\alpha\rangle$

$|0\rangle$

qubit encoded in large space



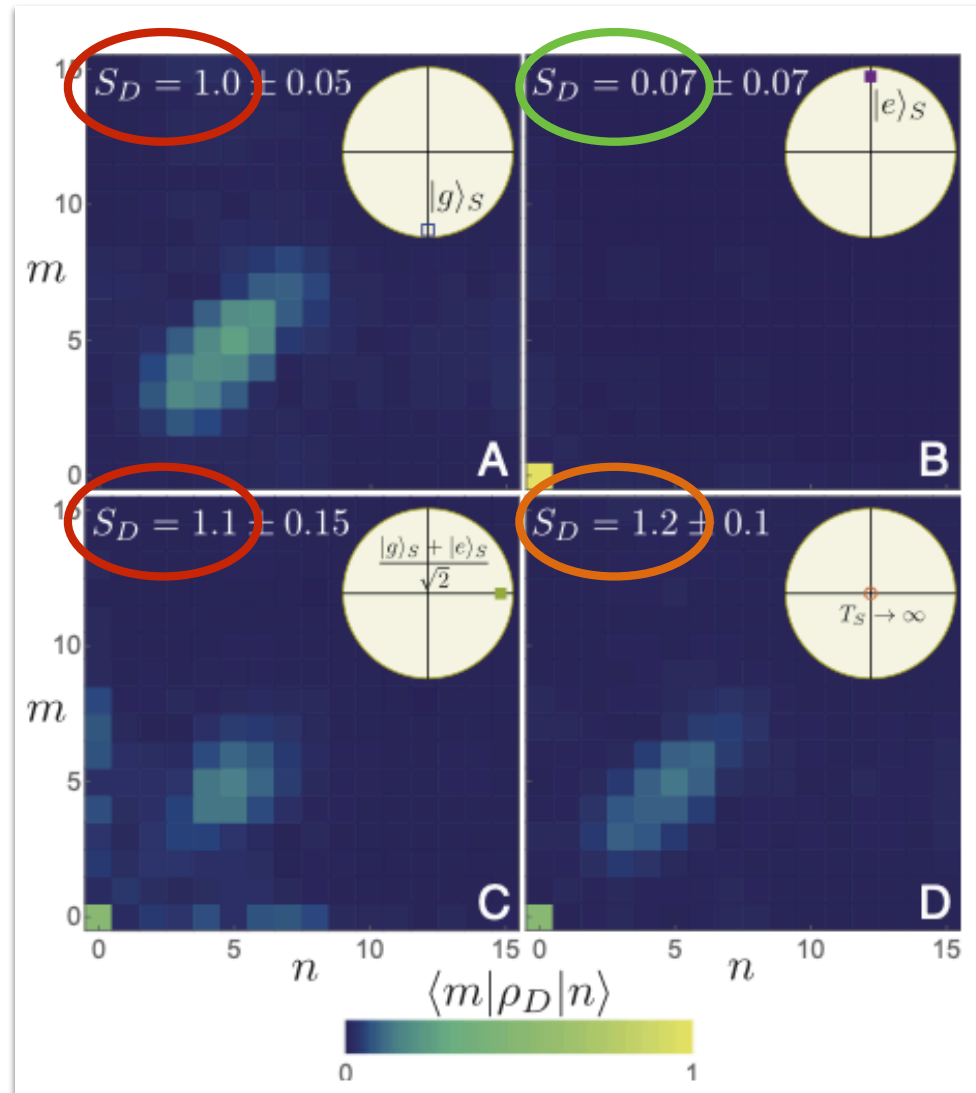
Reading the demon's mind



Tomography of the demon (cavity) state after the feedback protocol.

expected:
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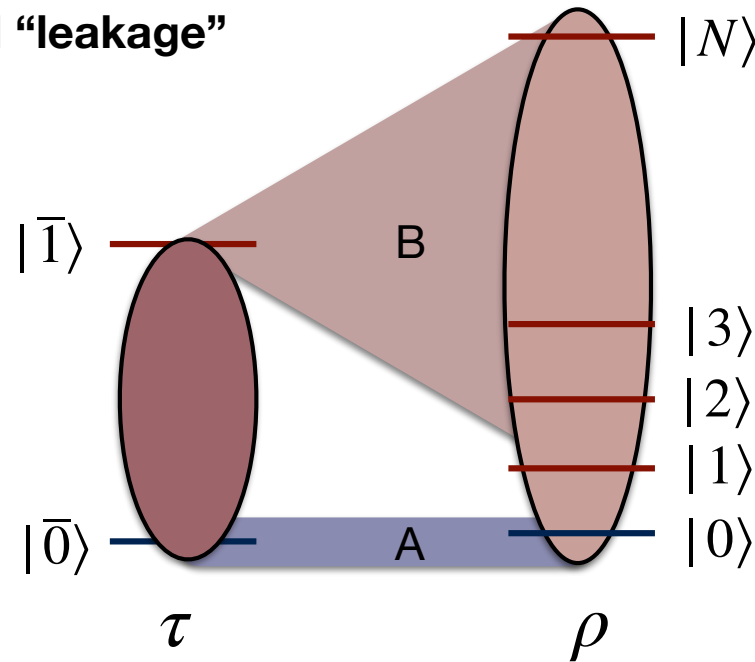
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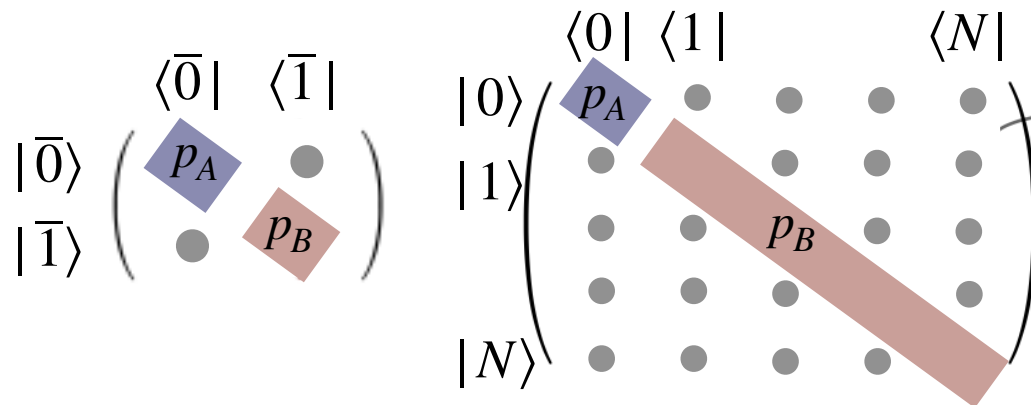
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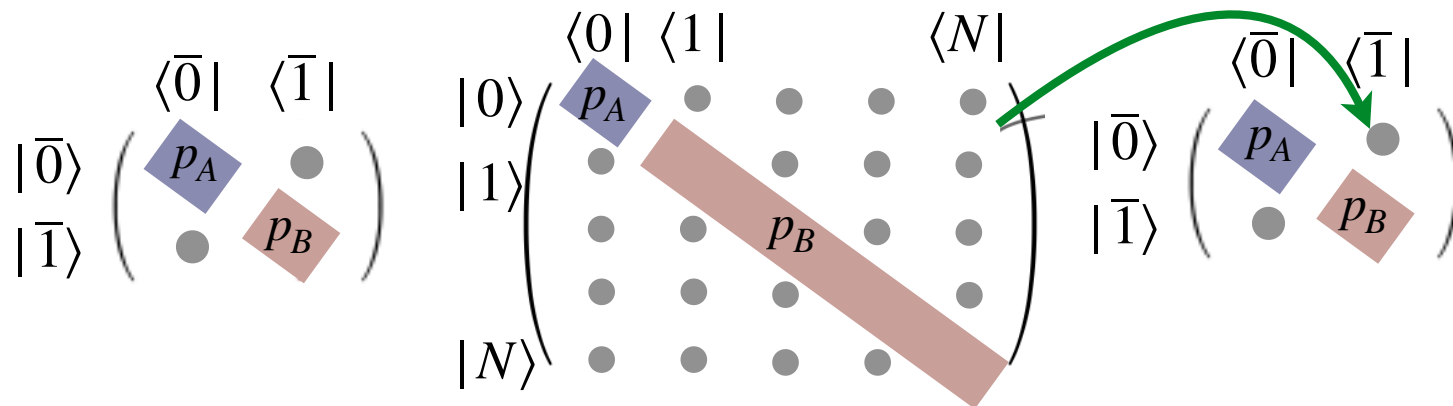
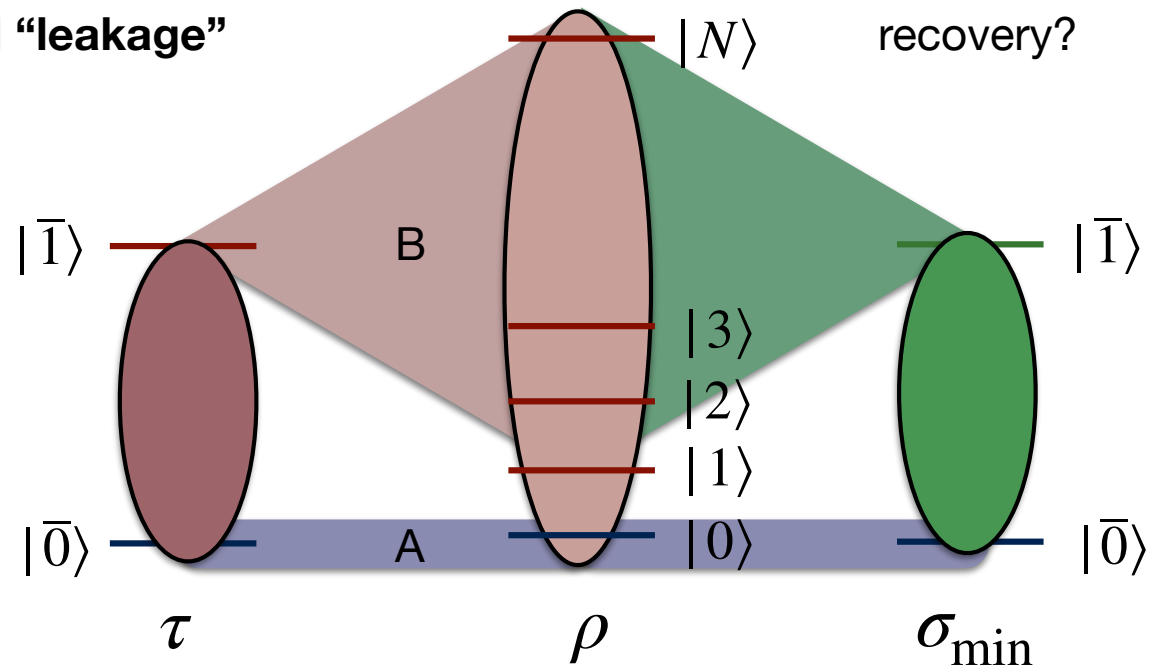


Recovery?



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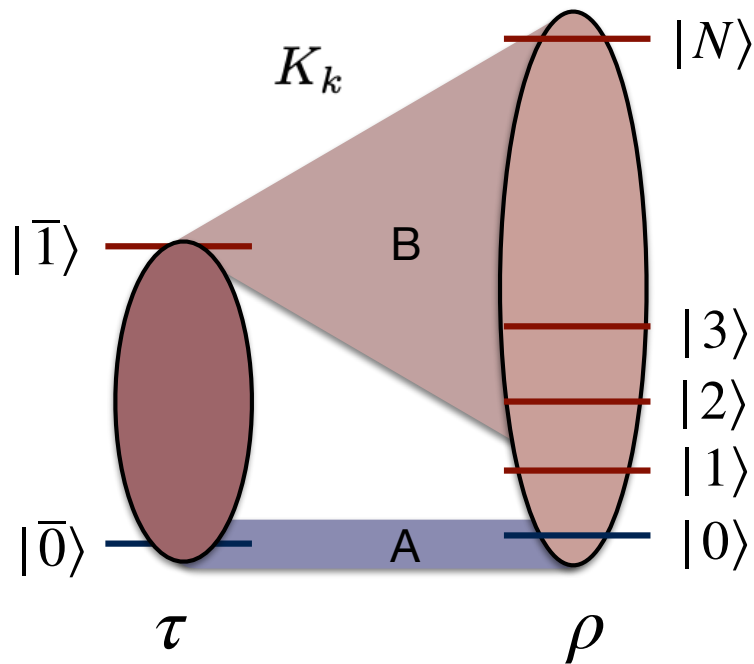


Formalising the noise

Experimental state arises from noise acting on initial qubit state:

$$\rho = \sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} K_k \tau K_k^\dagger$$

set of $(N+1) \times 2$ -dimensional Kraus operators



noise acts on separate subspaces \mathcal{H}_A and \mathcal{H}_B ,
with projectors $\Pi^A = |0\rangle\langle 0|$ and $\Pi^B = \mathbb{1}_{N+1} - \Pi^A$

$$K_k = \sum_{X=A,B} \Pi^X K_k \bar{\Pi}^X \quad (\text{subspace-confined leakage})$$

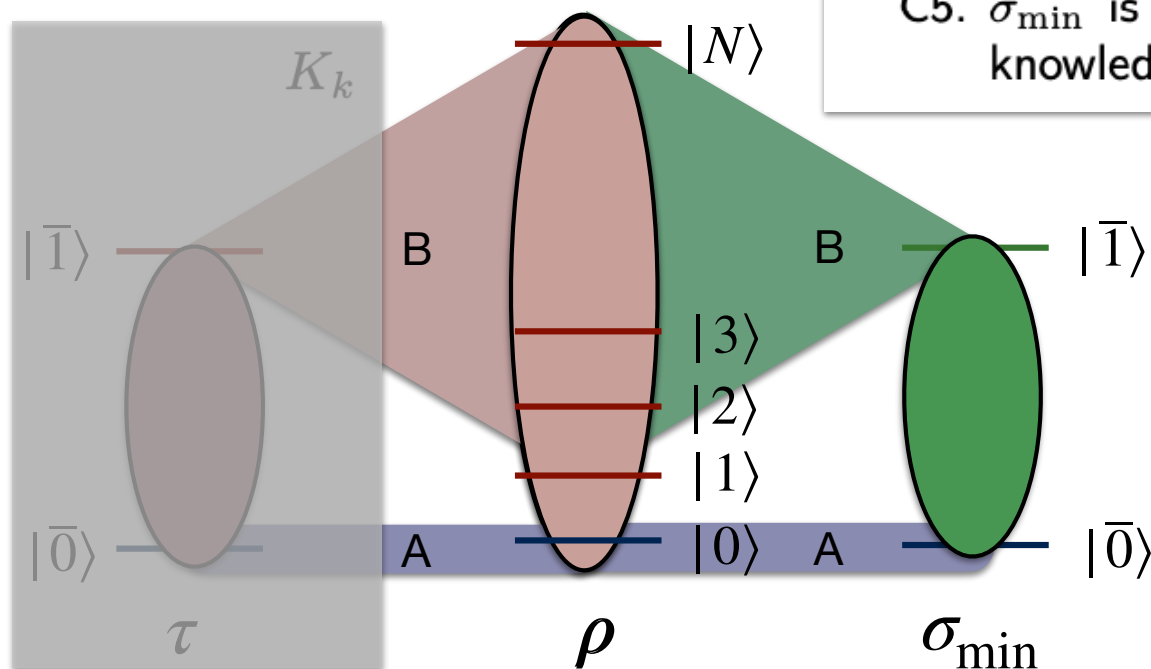
$$\sum_{k=1}^{\kappa} K_k^\dagger \Pi^X K_k = \bar{\Pi}^X \quad \text{for } X = A, B \quad (\text{completeness}).$$

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Recovery map

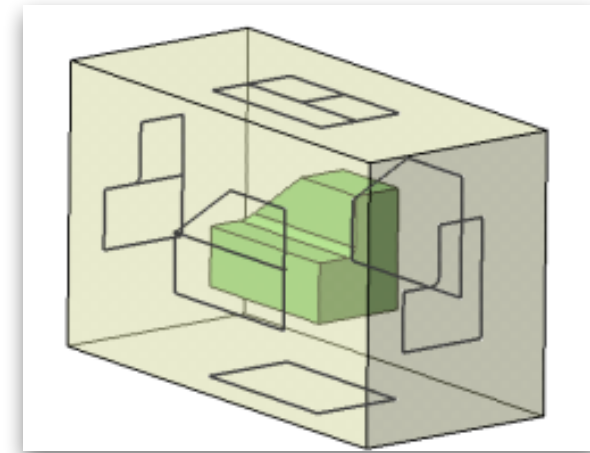
To reduce dimension, need projection

$$M^\dagger \rho M = \sigma_M$$

candidate qubit matrix

any $(N+1) \times 2$ -dimensional matrix

note: coefficients of M
may depend on ρ (nonlinear map)



<https://www.technia.us/blog/3rd-angle-projection/>

Expand in qubit basis

$$M^\dagger = e^{-i\varphi_M} |\bar{0}\rangle\langle 0| + g_M^2 |\bar{1}\rangle\langle \psi_M|$$

can only map to $\langle 0|$

can only map to one, arbitrary
direction $\langle \psi_M|$ in subspace \mathcal{H}_B

with weight $g_M^2 = \sqrt{\frac{p_B}{\langle \psi_M|\rho|\psi_M\rangle}}$ so that $\langle \bar{1}|\sigma_M|\bar{1}\rangle = p_B$

Obtain qubit state

$$\sigma_M = p_A \bar{\Pi}^A + p_B \bar{\Pi}^B + c_M |\bar{0}\rangle\langle \bar{1}| + h.c.$$

with coherence

$$c_M = \sqrt{\frac{p_B}{\langle \psi_M|\rho|\psi_M\rangle}} e^{-i\varphi_M} \langle 0|\rho|\psi_M\rangle$$

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Entropy

$$S(\sigma_M) = -\lambda_1 \log_2 \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \log_2 \lambda_2$$

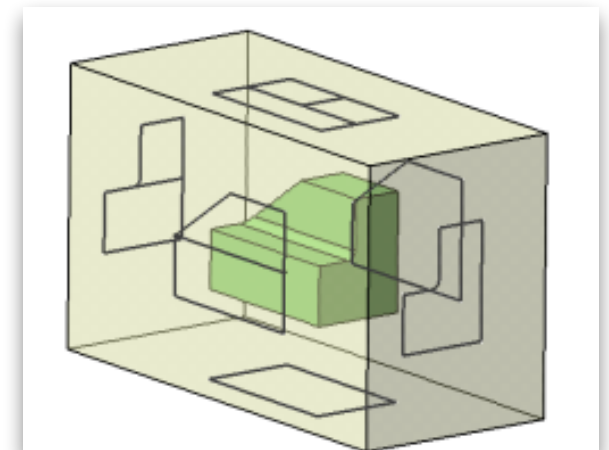
where eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 1$

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = p_A p_B - |c_M|^2$$

depends on |coherence|,
which depends on $|\psi_M\rangle$

! Find candidate state with minimum entropy

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\min} &:= \arg \min_{\sigma_M} (S(\sigma_M)) \\ &= p_A \bar{\Pi}^A + p_B \bar{\Pi}^B + |c_{\min}| |\bar{0}\rangle\langle\bar{1}| + h.c., \end{aligned}$$



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Minimising entropy



Answer

$$|c_{\min}| = \sqrt{|r|^2 \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\langle n|\chi\rangle\langle\chi|n\rangle}{\langle n|\rho_{\text{diag}}^B|n\rangle}}$$

where $\rho_{\text{diag}}^B = U_{\text{diag}} \rho^B U_{\text{diag}}^\dagger$:

$$\text{with } \rho^B = \Pi^B \rho \Pi^B / p_B$$

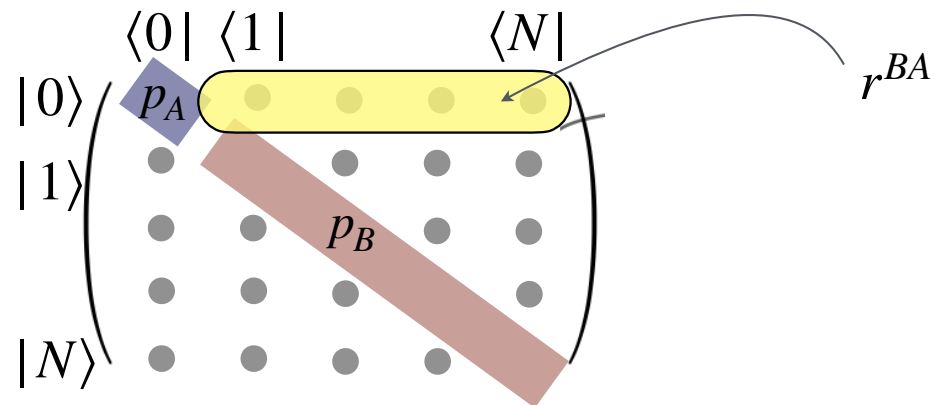
is the diagonal, trace one, density matrix in \mathcal{H}_B

$$\text{and } |\chi\rangle = \frac{1}{|r|} U_{\text{diag}} r^{BA} |0\rangle$$

$$\text{with } r^{BA} = \Pi^B \rho \Pi^A$$

$$\text{and } |r|^2 = \text{tr}[\rho \Pi^B \rho \Pi^A]$$

is a normalised state in \mathcal{H}_B

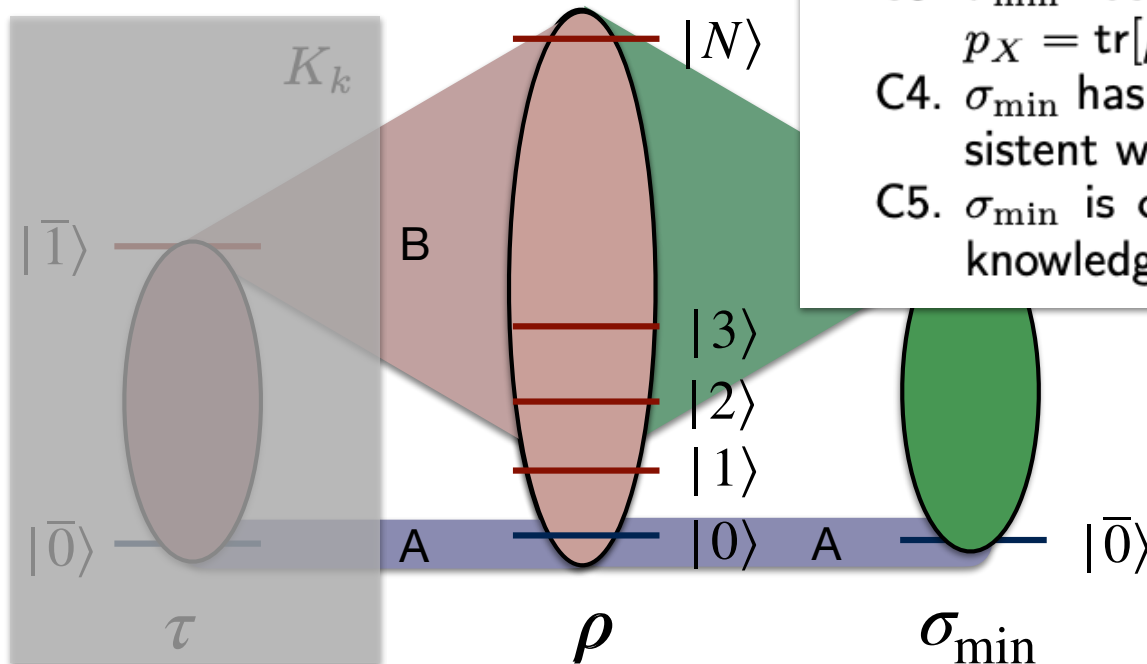


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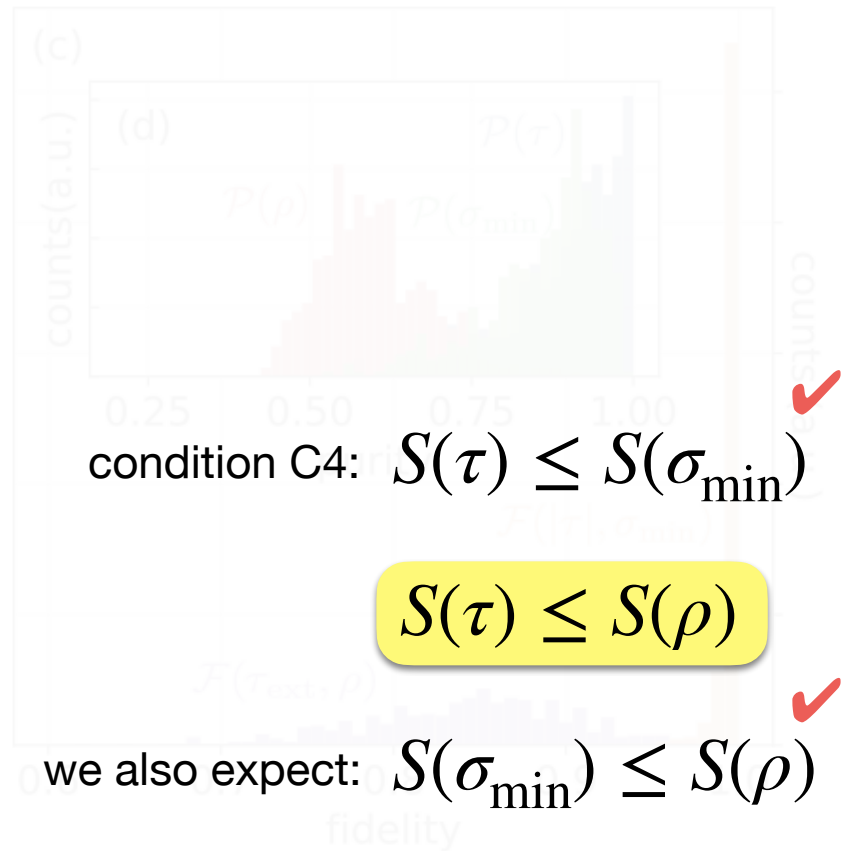
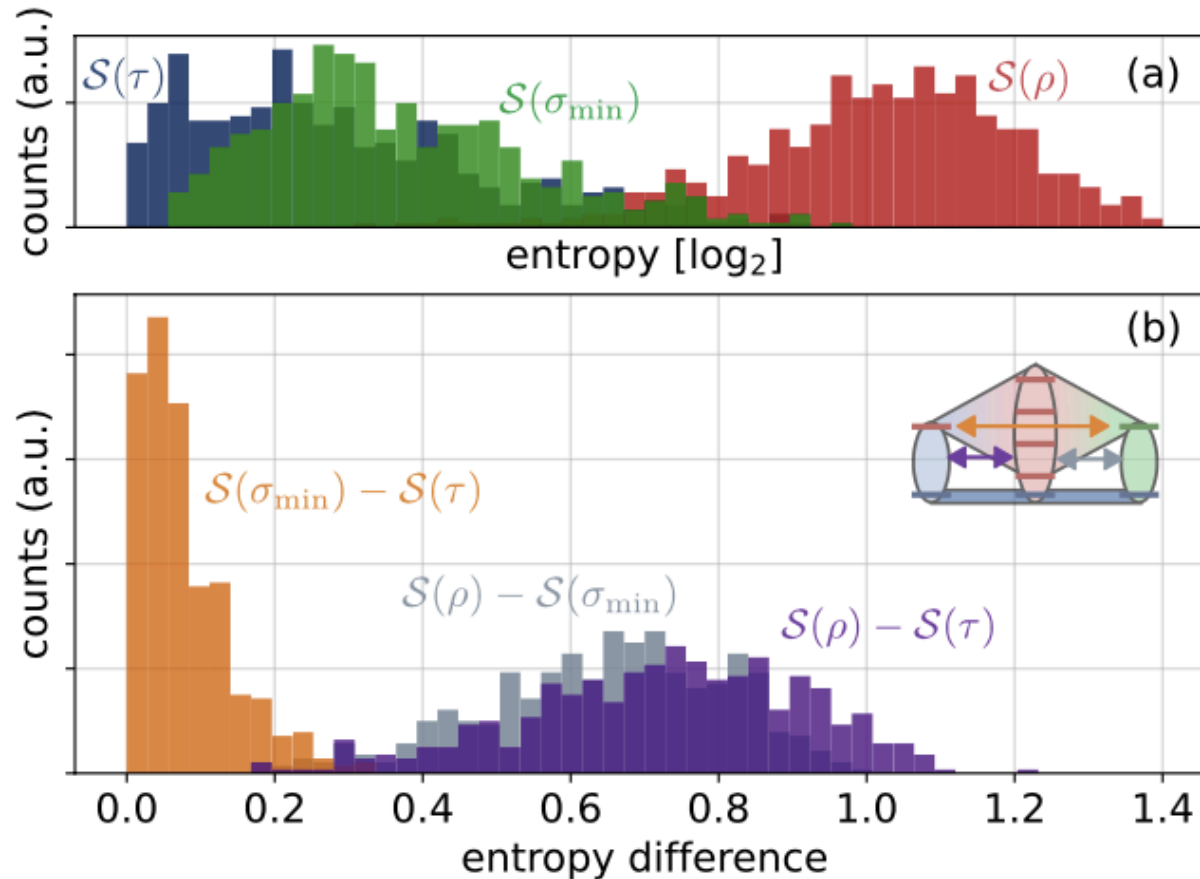
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generate $L = 500$ random initial qubit states τ

generate L random sets of subspace-confining Krausoperators $\{K_k\}_{k=1}^{k=6}$

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apply recovery method to each ρ to obtain L recovered qubit states σ_{\min}



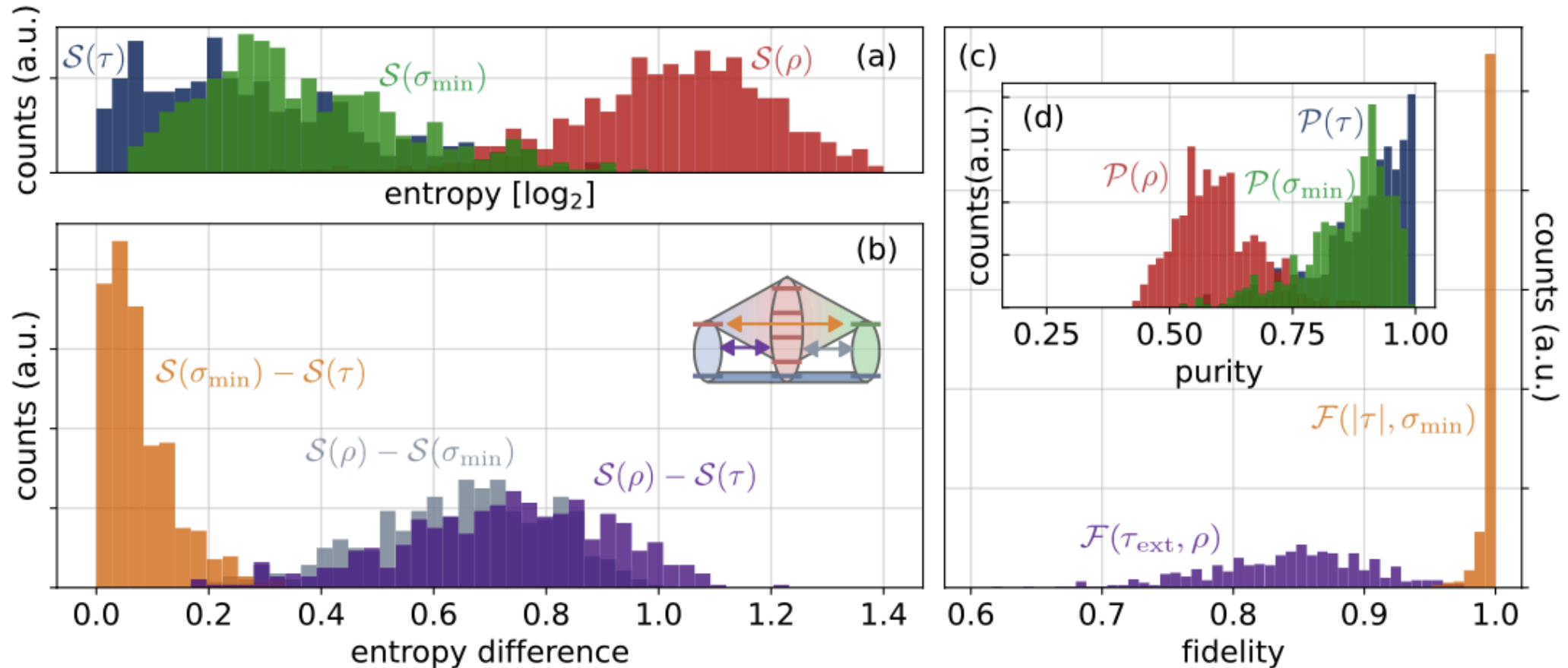
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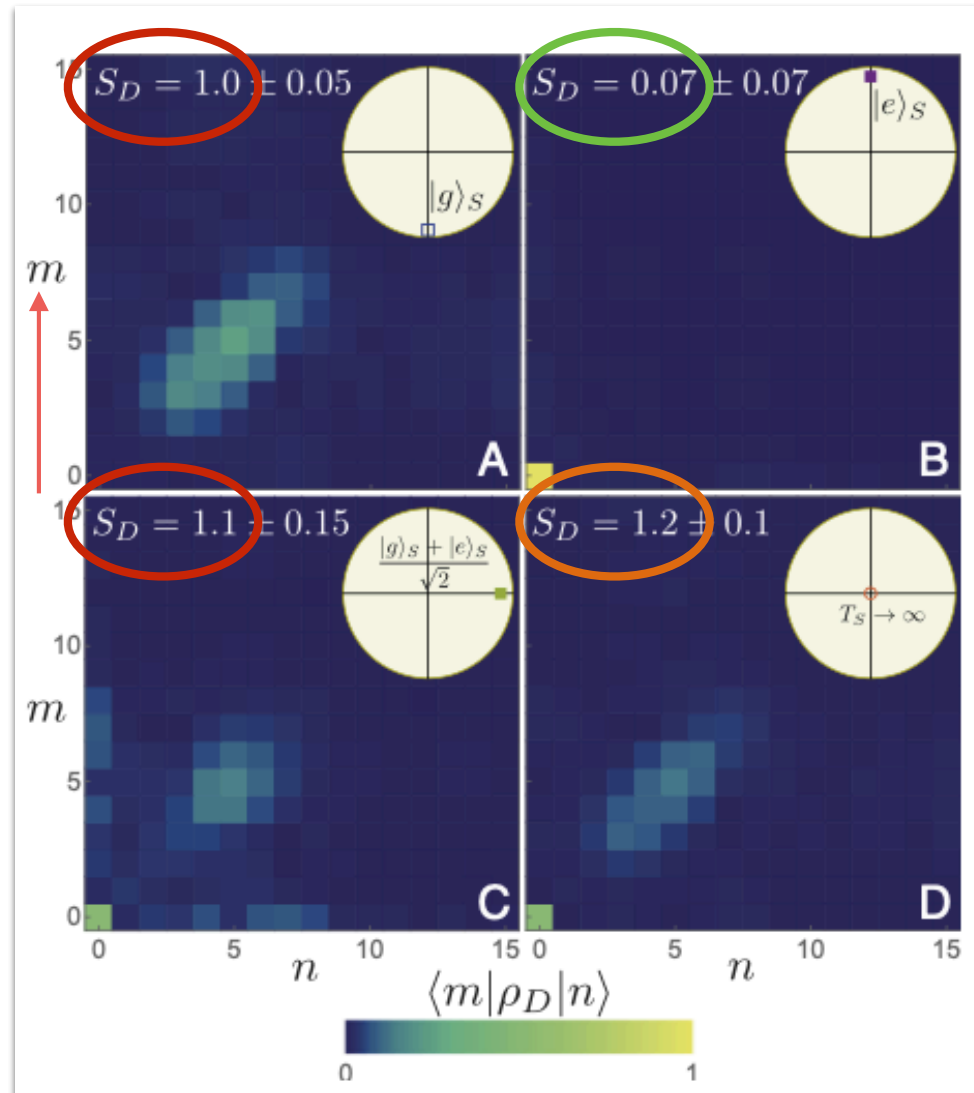
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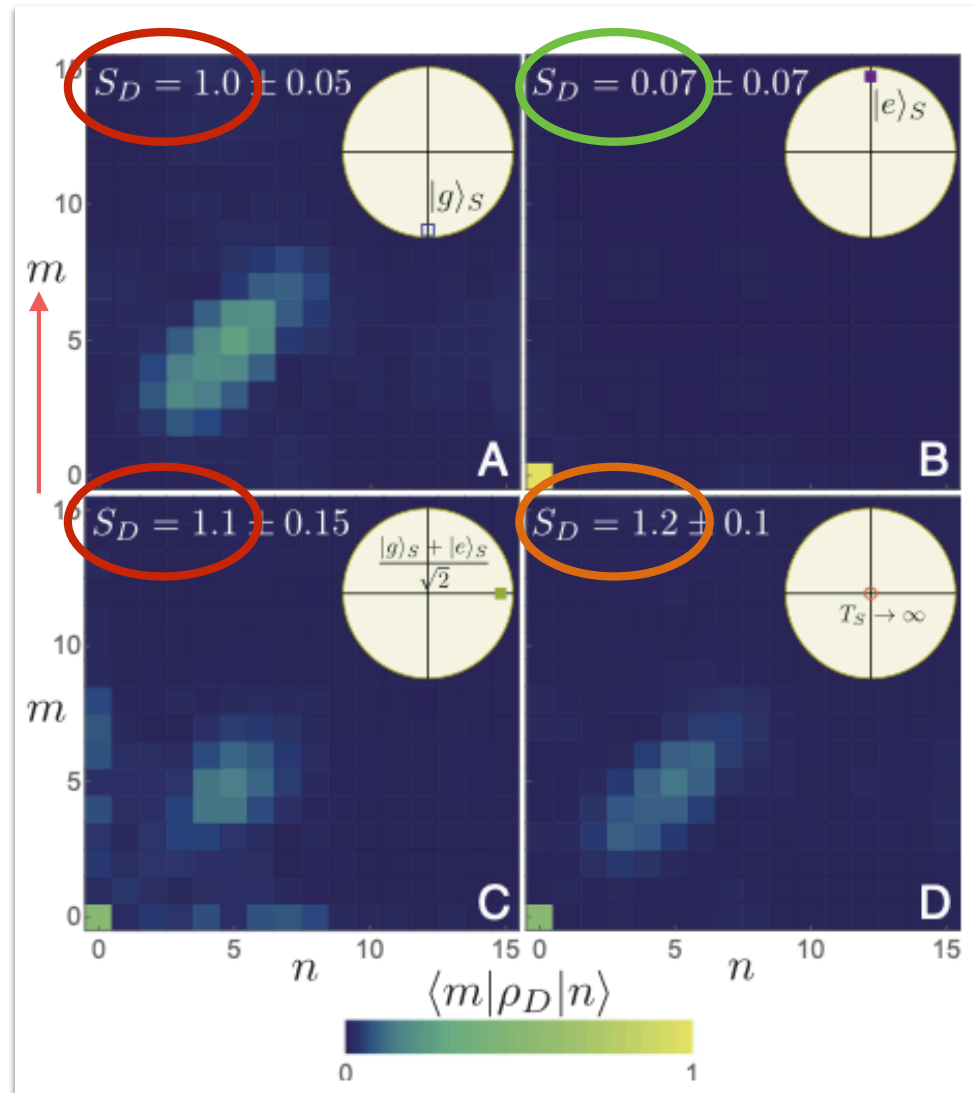
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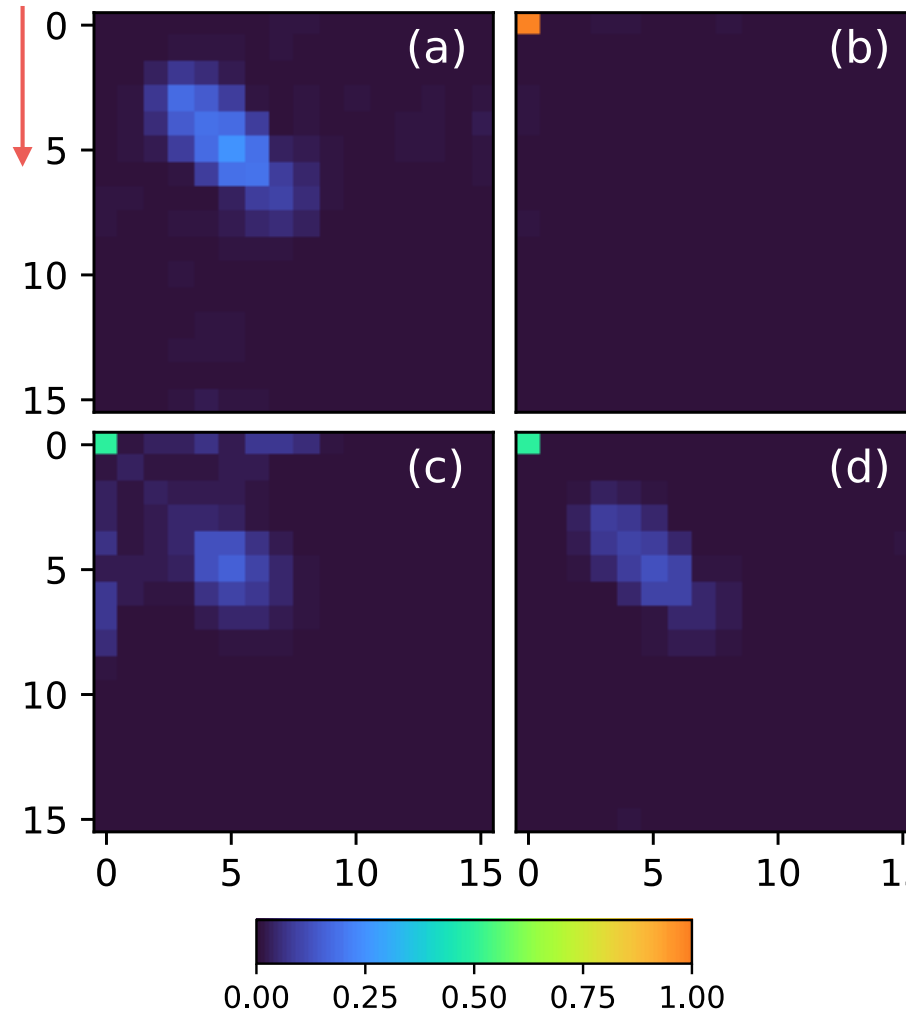


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entropy to base-2

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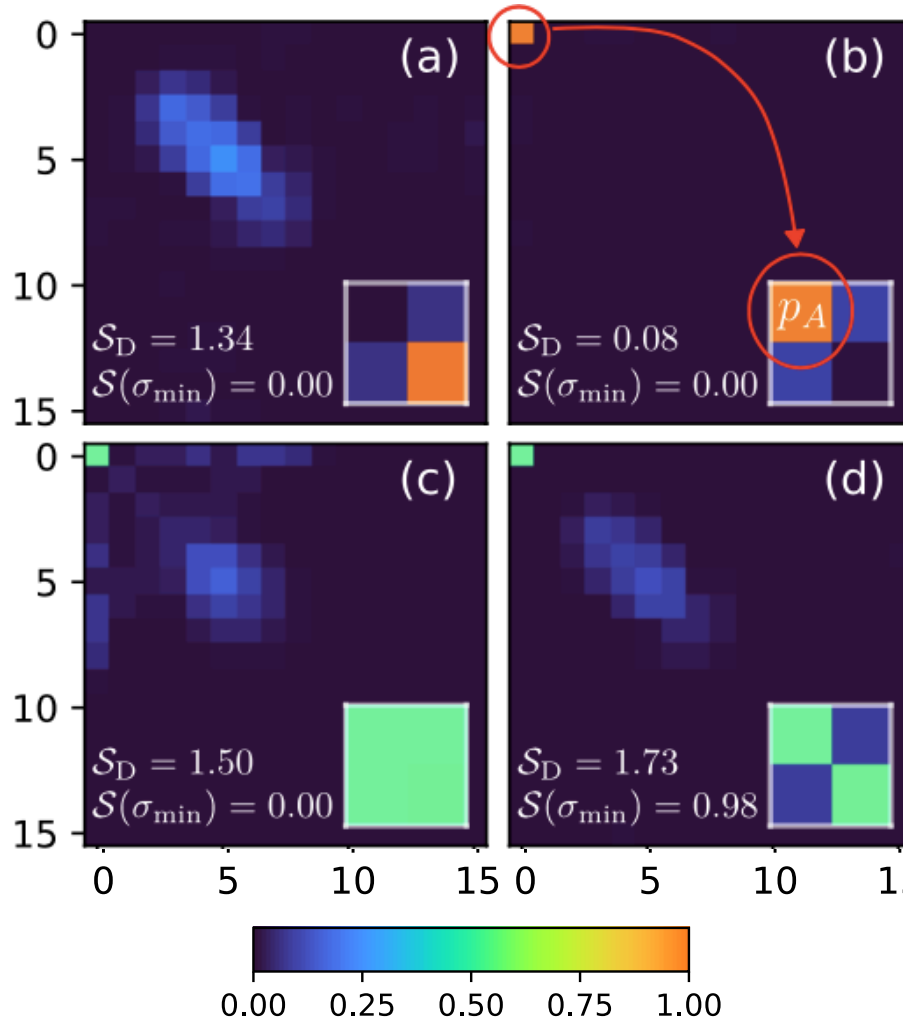
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$$\frac{1}{2}|0\rangle\langle 0| + \frac{1}{2}|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|$$

$$S = \log_2 2 = 1$$

actual, noisy:

$$S_D = S(\rho) = 1.73$$

$$S(\sigma_{\min}) = 0.98$$

entropy to base-2

$$\begin{matrix} \langle \bar{0} | & \langle \bar{1} | \\ | \bar{0} \rangle & \left(\begin{array}{cc} \diamond P_A & \bullet \\ \bullet & \diamond P_B \end{array} \right) \\ | \bar{1} \rangle & \end{matrix}$$

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Einstein's enquiry to Bohr if 'the Moon does not exist if nobody is looking at it' questions the indeterminate nature of a quantum state when it is not measured [1].

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Table 1. Comparison between the work *quasi-probability distributions* $p(w)$ given in equation (17) and $p^{\text{MH}}(w)$ given in equation (40) and the work probability distributions $p^{\text{tpm}}(w)$ given in equation (7) and $\tilde{p}(w)$ given in equation (29).

(i)	(ii)	(iii) operator	(iv) steps	(v) energy conservation	(vi) time-reversal symmetric	(vii) JE satisfied
$p^{\text{tpm}}(w)$	+	H	2	$\forall \rho, [H_H(\tau), H(0)] = 0$ or $\forall H_H(\tau), [\rho, H(0)] = 0$	$\forall \rho, [H_H(\tau), H(0)] = 0$ or $\forall H_H(\tau), [\rho, H(0)] = 0$	$\forall H(t)$
$p(w)$	-	X	$K \rightarrow \infty$	$\forall \rho, \forall H(t)$	$\forall \rho, \forall H(t)$	$[H_H(\tau), H(0)] = 0$
$\tilde{p}(w)$	+	X	1	$\forall \rho, H_H(\tau) = H(\tau)$	$\text{Tr} [\sum_{\vec{n} \in w} [C_{\vec{n}}, C_{\vec{n}}^\dagger] \rho] = 0, \forall w$	$H_H(\tau) = H(\tau)$
$p^{\text{MH}}(w)$	-	H	2	$\forall \rho, \forall H(t)$	$\forall \rho, \forall H(t)$	$\forall H(t)$

Note. The columns refer to: (i) symbol of work distribution, (ii) work distribution is positive in general (+) or can be negative for some states and evolutions (-), (iii) operator used to establish the work distribution: power operator X or Hamiltonian H , (iv) number of points in time considered in the construction of the work distribution for $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$. Columns (v), (vi) and (vii) list conditions under which the work distributions satisfy energy conservation in the limit $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$, time-reversal symmetry, and the Jarzynski equality (JE) assuming an initial thermal state and the limit $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$. All four work distributions become equal in the classical limit where ρ , $H_H(0)$ and $H_H(\tau)$ commute.

Fluctuating **work** performed on an undisturbed quantum system is described by a **quasi-probability** distribution rather than a probability distribution.

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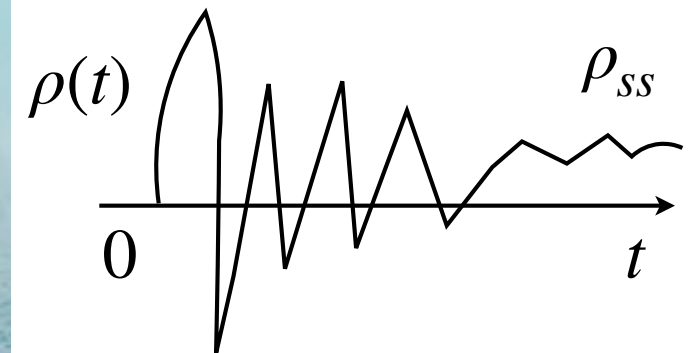
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dynamical steady state



equilibration

Gibbs state

$$\tau \propto e^{-\beta H_S}$$



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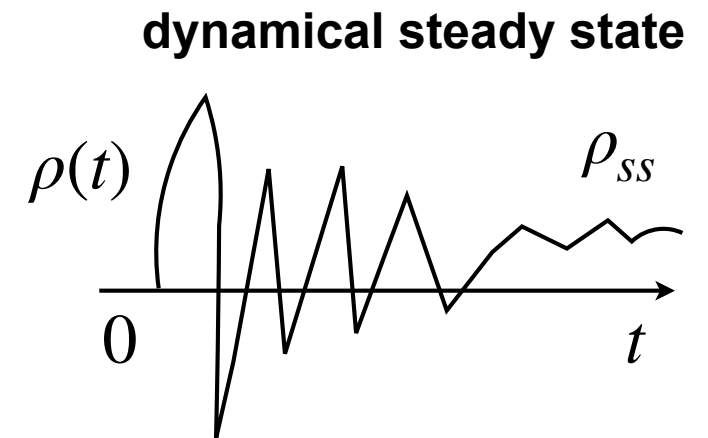
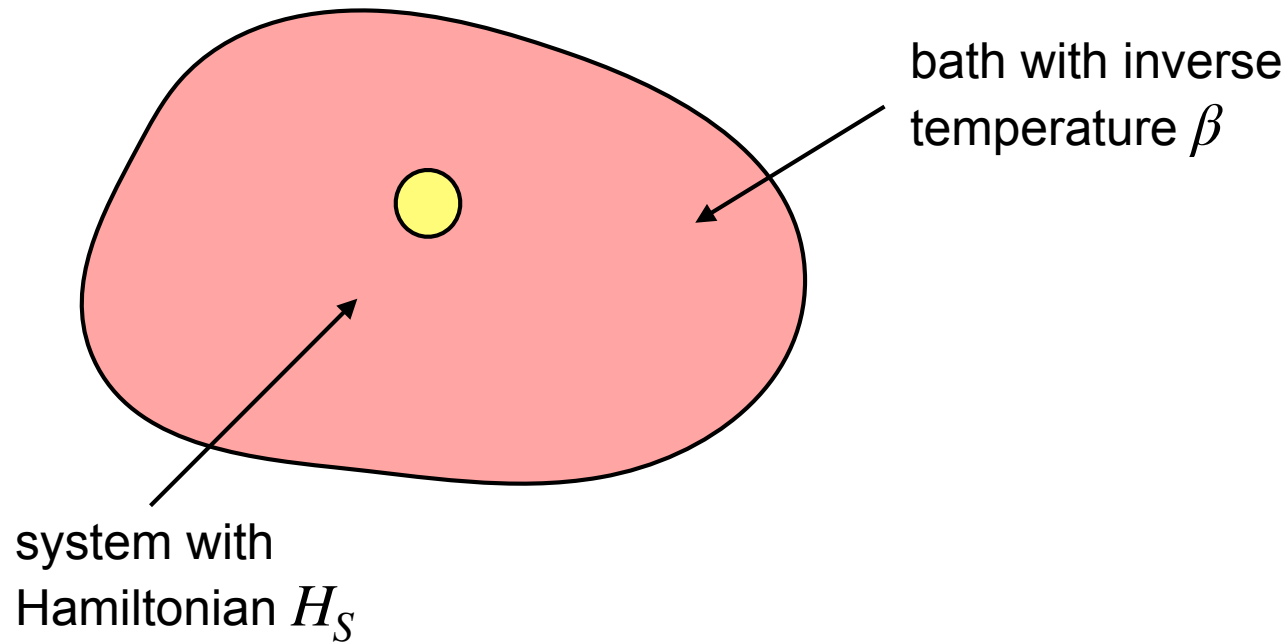


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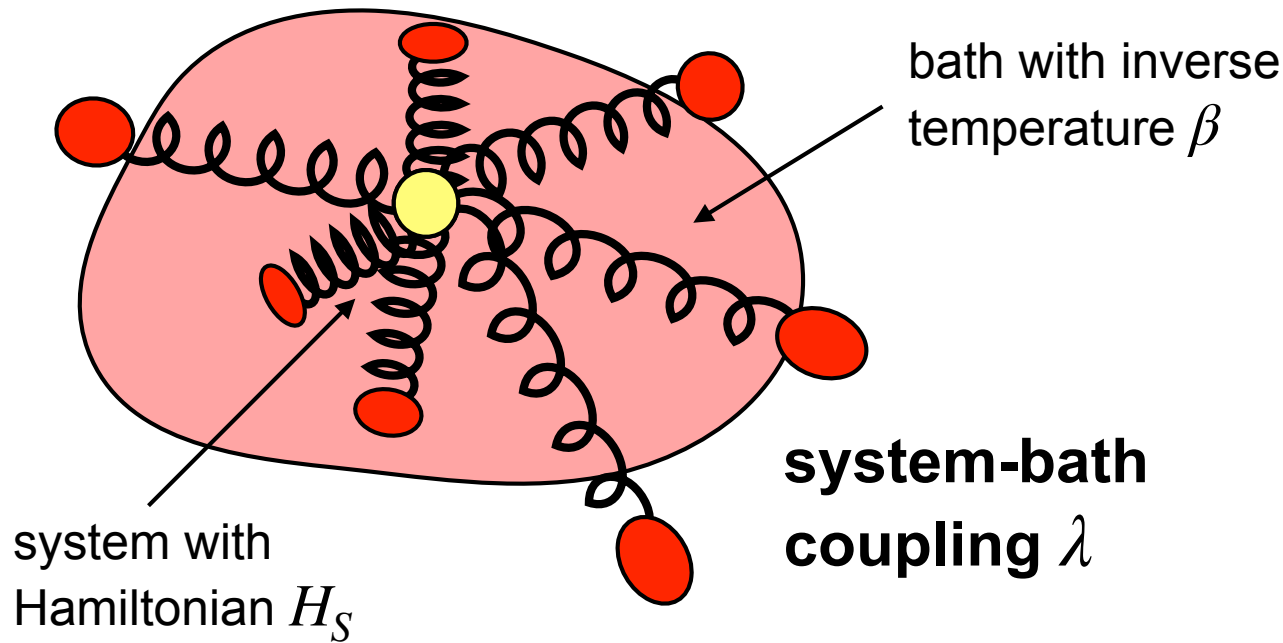


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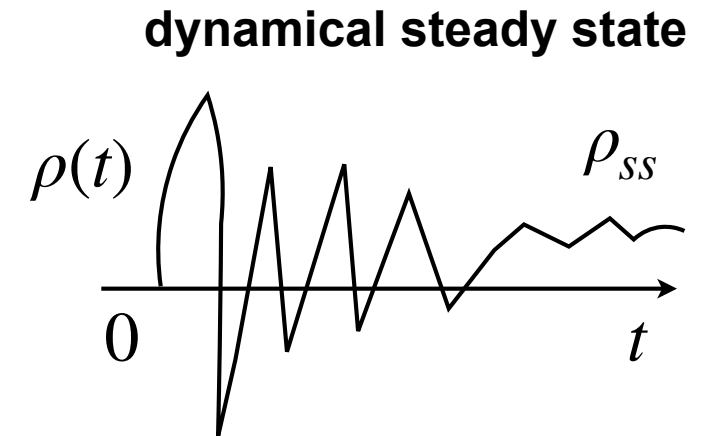
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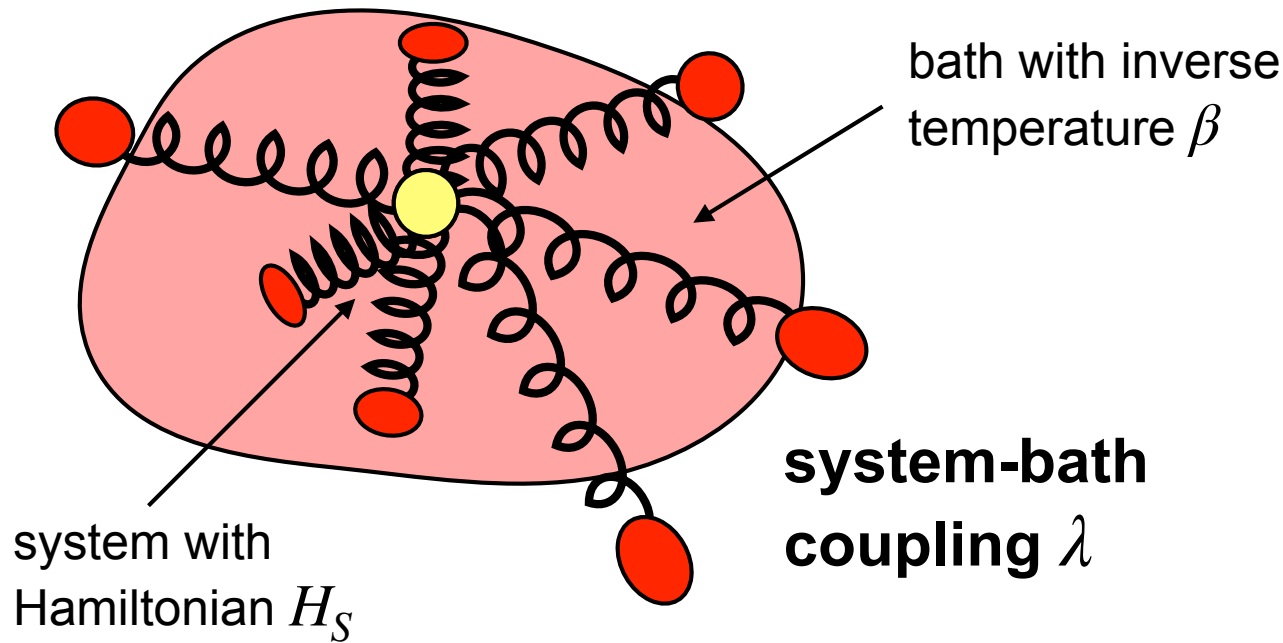
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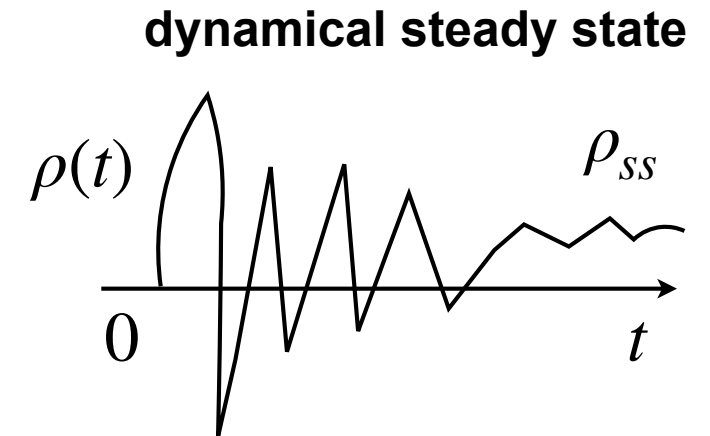
for $\lambda \rightarrow 0$

$$\approx \text{tr}_B[e^{-\beta H_S} e^{-\beta H_B}] \propto e^{-\beta H_S}$$

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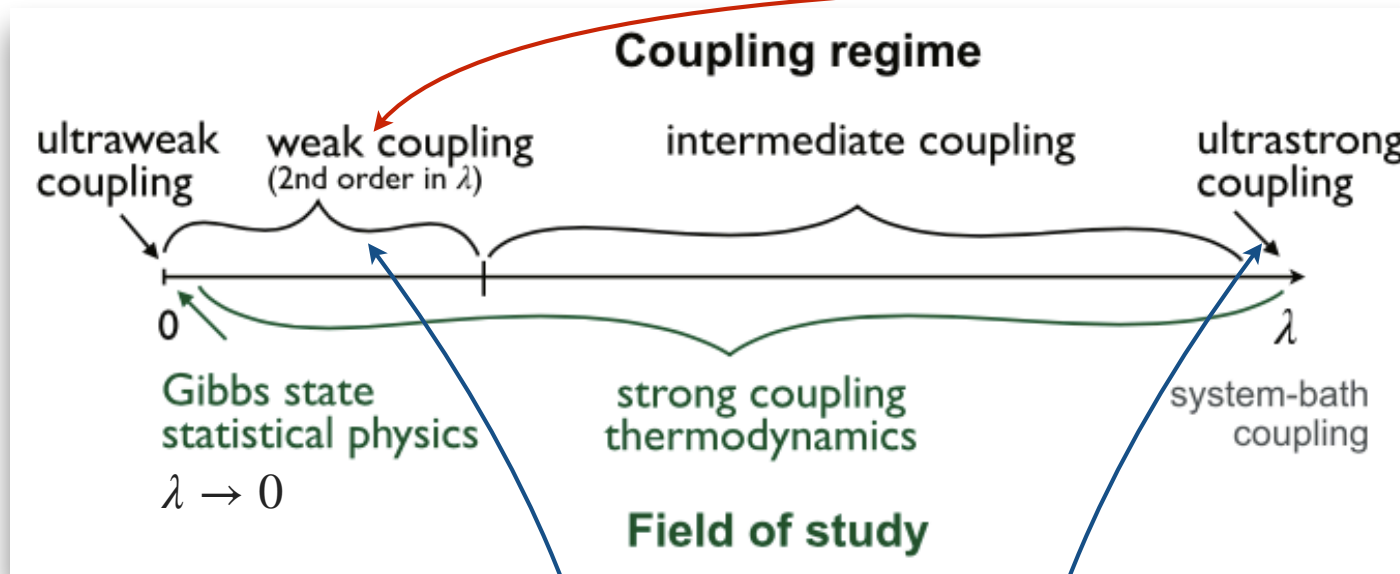
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can one give the MFGS in terms of system operators alone?

and is it the steady state?

Coupling regimes



most master
equations

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \rightarrow 0$$

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general **analyt. expression**
for **quantum** mean force state

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Weak coupling limit

$$(\lambda \ll 1)$$



$$\tau_{MF} \propto \text{tr}_R \left[e^{-\beta \left(\underbrace{H'_S}_{\text{general system}} + \int_0^\infty d\omega \omega \left(\underbrace{b_\omega^\dagger b_\omega}_{\text{bosonic bath}} + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \lambda \underbrace{X_S}_{\text{coupling: system operator } X_S} \otimes \int_0^\infty d\omega \underbrace{\sqrt{J(\omega)}}_{\text{to bath osci positions}} (b_\omega + b_\omega^\dagger) \right)} \right]$$

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$$\tau_{MF}^{(2)} = \tau_S + \lambda^2 \beta \sum_n \tau_S \left(X_n X_n^\dagger - \text{tr}_S [\tau_S X_n X_n^\dagger] \right) \mathcal{D}_\beta(\omega_n)$$

$$+ \lambda^2 \sum_n [X_n^\dagger, \tau_S X_n] \frac{\partial \mathcal{D}_\beta(\omega_n)}{\partial \omega_n} + \lambda^2 \sum_{m \neq n} \left([X_m, X_n^\dagger \tau_S] + h.c. \right) \frac{\mathcal{D}_\beta(\omega_n)}{\omega_m - \omega_n}$$

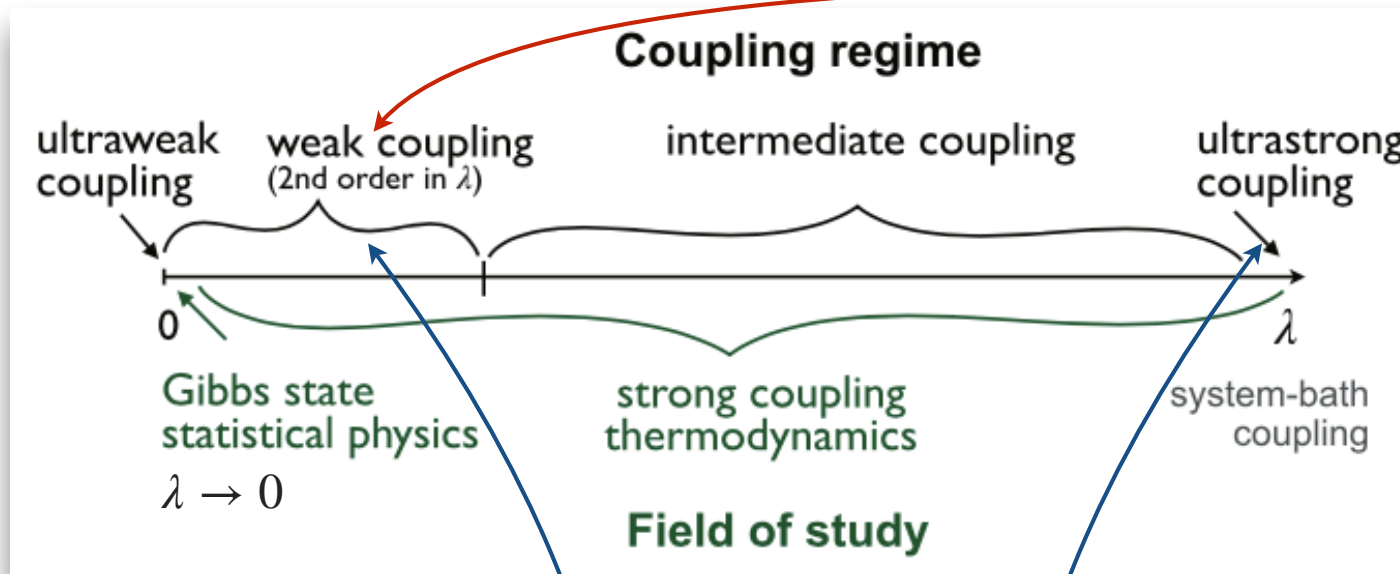
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valid for small λ , i.e.:

$$|\lambda| \ll \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\beta \sum_n \text{Tr}_S [\tau_S X_n X_n^\dagger] \mathcal{D}_\beta(\omega_n)|}}$$

⇒ validity range depends on temperature
(higher temperature = easier to fulfil)

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general system
bosonic bath
coupling: system operator X_S to bath osci positions

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projectors: $P_n = |x_n\rangle\langle x_n|$

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**quantum
ultrastrong MF state**

$$\tau_{MF} = \frac{e^{-\beta \sum_n P_n H_S P_n}}{\text{tr}[e^{-\beta \sum_n P_n H_S P_n}]}$$

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Trushechkin, arXiv:2109.01888 (2021)

Now proven to be the steady state of an
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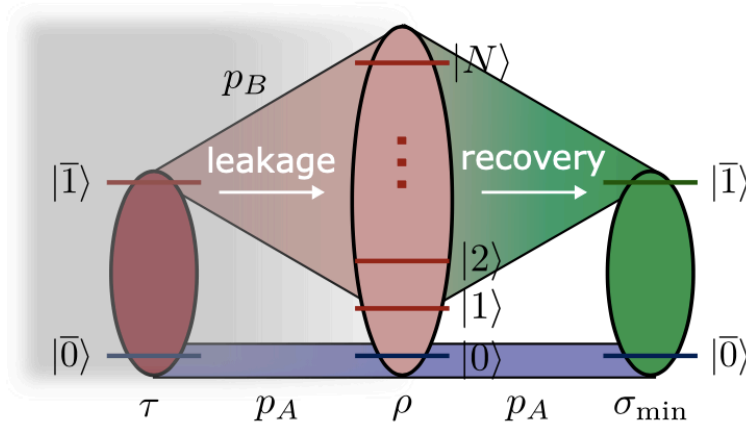
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Formalised common problem in quantum experiments and technology: noise is always there, but often has subspace structure.

$$K_k = \sum_{X=A,B} \Pi^X K_k \bar{\Pi}^X \quad (\text{subspace-confined leakage})$$

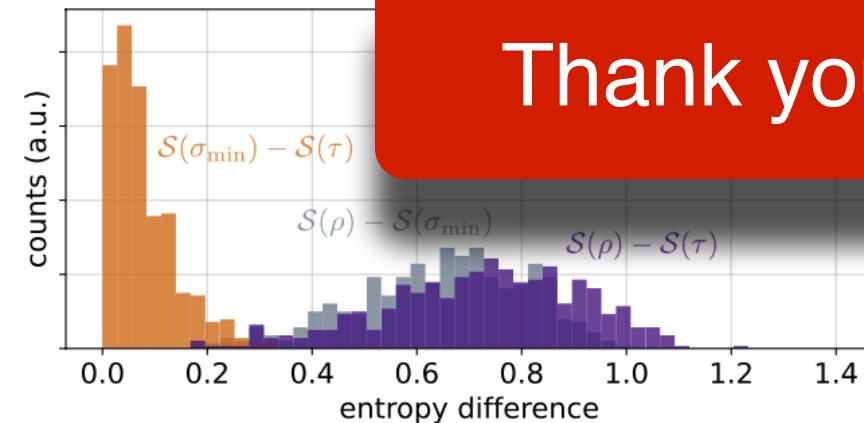


Solved recovery problem.

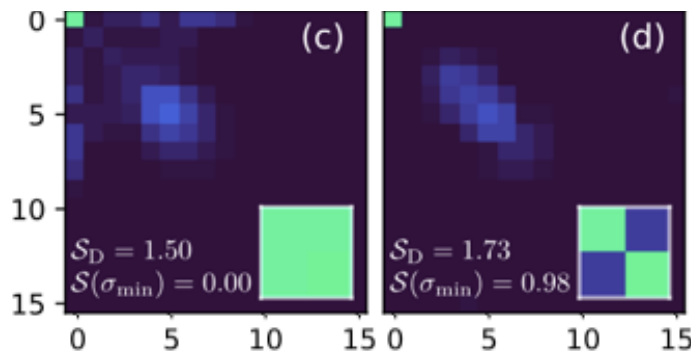
Have provided a formula of how to compute the |coherence| for the absolute **best guess qubit state** σ_{\min} **compatible with a given noisy state** ρ .

Provided numerical illustration of recovery method on **random samples**.

Proof of two entropy bounds.



Thank you!



Uncovered “buried” **experimental** Maxwell demon **qubit states**.

our paper will be on arxiv this March - talk to me for more information