

# Numerical Modelling for Microwave-Optical Transduction and Photon Pair Generation using Atomic Ensembles

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## Abstract

*Quantum networking*, the transfer of quantum information across long distances, has great promise for scaling and interoperating quantum technologies, to allow us to solve problems that would not be possible or feasible classically. Many of the quantum systems that would form the nodes of this network have microwave energy scales, but the most feasible long-distance interconnects are fibre optics transmitting single optical photons. Thus, a means of correlating quantum information between microwave and optical systems is a near-requirement of quantum networking. This requires a hybrid microwave-optical quantum system, which can be used for quantum *transduction*, direct conversion of microwave and optical photons, and microwave-optical entangled photon pair generation. In this project, I develop numerical models with which to characterise transduction efficiencies and photon pair generation rates in hybrid systems that use ensembles of atoms with both microwave and optical transitions.

## Statement of Originality

I certify that this thesis contains work carried out by myself except where otherwise acknowledged.



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I programmed my own implementations of the three-level transduction models in References [1] and [2], and used these to replicate some of the plots in those references. After noticing discrepancies between and inconsistencies within those papers regarding phase conventions, I ran one of my model implementations to evaluate input and output phases, finding that only one convention produced physically sensible results.

I developed and implemented in code a model for four-level transduction, building on top of the concepts in the existing three-level transduction models. I implemented numerical methods to mitigate grid aliasing that were based on and built on top of methods in Reference [2]. I then benchmarked this model against results from experiments described in Reference [3], finding the model parameters corresponding to those experiments, using a mixture of theory and trial-and-error manual adjustments. My supervisor also helped refine those parameters.

I developed and implemented both steady-state and dynamical models for biphoton generation in three-level atomic systems, adapting the three-level transduction model in Reference [2] by changing indices of input and output atomic transitions, and modifying the atomic dynamics part of the model to accommodate vacuum interactions that start the generation processes into empty cavities.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Quantum Networking

There are a diverse range of quantum technologies presently being researched and developed. These include quantum computing[4], quantum simulation[5], and quantum sensing and metrology[6]. Quantum computing is the algorithmic processing and transformation of data encoded in the joint state space (the *Hilbert space*) of multiple two-level systems (*qubits*), which can offer an exponential speed advantage over classical computers on certain algorithms. Quantum simulation uses an engineered, controllable quantum system, known as a quantum simulator, to implement a Hamiltonian analogous to that of some natural or less controlled quantum system, in order to study its behaviour. Quantum sensing and metrology uses the great sensitivity of quantum systems to their environments to make measurements more precise than classical equipment can.

These systems have distinct applications from each other, but are not inherently interoperable. Additionally, all of these systems have proven challenging to scale up. *Quantum networking* would alleviate both of these issues by allowing these systems to communicate quantum states between each other, rather than mere measurement outcomes as in classical networking. Quantum networking would greatly expand the joint Hilbert spaces of quantum computers and simulators, allowing them to solve larger problems, and allow them to interoperate with quantum sensors. It would also enable the use of quantum cryptography[7, 8] in large, complex networks, which could enable eavesdropping to be detected, through a process analogous to the observer effect. Finally, quantum networking would enable fundamental experiments of quantum physics, such as tests of Bell's inequality, at greater scales than previously possible[9].

### 1.2 Correlating Microwave and Optical Photons

Many quantum technology platforms, such as superconducting circuits and trapped ions, have energy levels separated by microwave transition frequencies, meaning that they absorb and emit microwave photons. Directly transmitting single microwave photons between quantum devices, however, is impractical. This is because bulky and expensive cooling infrastructure is needed across the entire length of the link, to mitigate thermal microwave noise and loss.

On the other hand, optical photons can much more easily be transmitted across multi-kilometre distances using optical fibres (and further if quantum repeaters[10] are used). Thermal noise is negligible for optical frequencies, even at room temperature, so no cooling is necessary. In order to use optical photons to network microwave-energy quantum systems, we would need to be able to entangle the quantum information in microwave and optical photons. This would require the use of hybrid systems that contain both optical and microwave degrees of freedom. One way to use such a hybrid system for quantum networking is *transduction*, in which a transducer directly converts microwave and optical photons by absorbing one type and emitting the other type, and vice versa. Another approach is entangled microwave-optical photon pair generation (henceforth called *biphoton generation* for short).

Quantum networking using these processes is illustrated in Figure 1.1. To entangle two distant

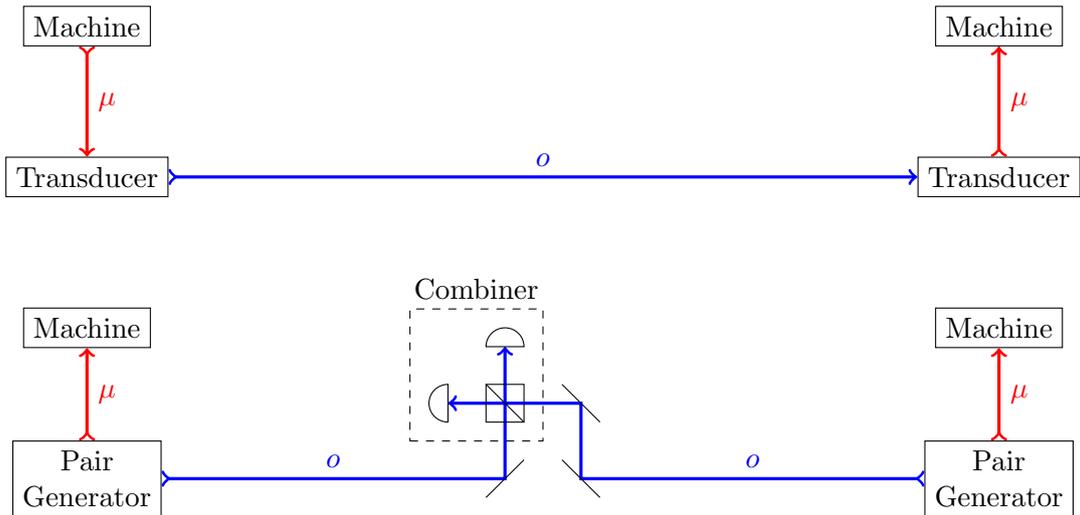


Figure 1.1: Quantum networking of two distant machines using transduction (top) and biphoton generation (bottom). Measurements of the combined optical signals entangle the two machines.

quantum machines, one approach would be for a microwave photon to be emitted from one machine, transduced to an optical photon, and then transduced back to a microwave photon at the other end, to interact with the other machine. Another approach, using biphoton generation, would be to generate entangled pairs on either end, interact the microwave photons with the machines, and interfere and measure the optical photons at some common destination.

### 1.3 Wave Mixing Processes

In order for microwave and optical photons to interact through some mediating system, that system must have some nonlinearity through which *wave-mixing* processes, in which frequencies mix to produce new frequencies, can occur. The simplest of these processes are second-order *three-wave mixing* processes, in which three frequencies are involved. These processes include *sum frequency generation* (SFG), in which two input frequencies  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  mix to produce a third output frequency  $\omega_3 = \omega_1 + \omega_2$ , *difference frequency generation* (DFG), in which two input frequencies mix to produce an output frequency  $\omega_3 = |\omega_1 - \omega_2|$ , and *spontaneous parametric downconversion* (SPDC), in which a single input frequency  $\omega_1$  produces two output frequencies  $\omega_2$  and  $\omega_3$  for which  $\omega_2 + \omega_3 = \omega_1$ .

Transduction can be performed through the mixing of microwave frequencies  $\omega_\mu$  and optical frequencies  $\omega_o$  with an optical pump  $\omega_p$ ; SFG  $\omega_p + \omega_\mu = \omega_o$  for microwave to optical transduction and DFG  $|\omega_p - \omega_o| = \omega_\mu$  for optical to microwave transduction. An  $\omega_\mu$  and  $\omega_o$  photon pair can be generated through SPDC  $\omega_p = \omega_o + \omega_\mu$ . (Note that  $\omega_p < \omega_o$  for transduction but  $\omega_p > \omega_o$  for biphoton generation.)

### 1.4 Hybrid Microwave-Optical Quantum Systems

Many different hybrid systems and processes have been proposed and experimentally studied for use in transduction and biphoton generation. One example of such systems are dielectric media with second-order nonlinear polarisabilities [11, 12, 13] ( $\chi^{(2)} \neq 0$ ). In these media, incident electromagnetic waves create time-varying polarisation in the material at new frequencies that are then emitted, giving rise to three-wave mixing. Another example is optomechanical systems [14, 15], in which a mechanical resonator simultaneously constitutes a mirror in an optical resonant cavity and a capacitor in a microwave resonator. This results in coupling between the optical, mechanical, and microwave modes. Yet another platform is atoms with both microwave and optical transitions between their energy levels [16, 17], in which both types of photons can interact with atomic transitions. Reviews of the various systems can be found at References [18, 19]. My project focuses on atomic systems in particular.

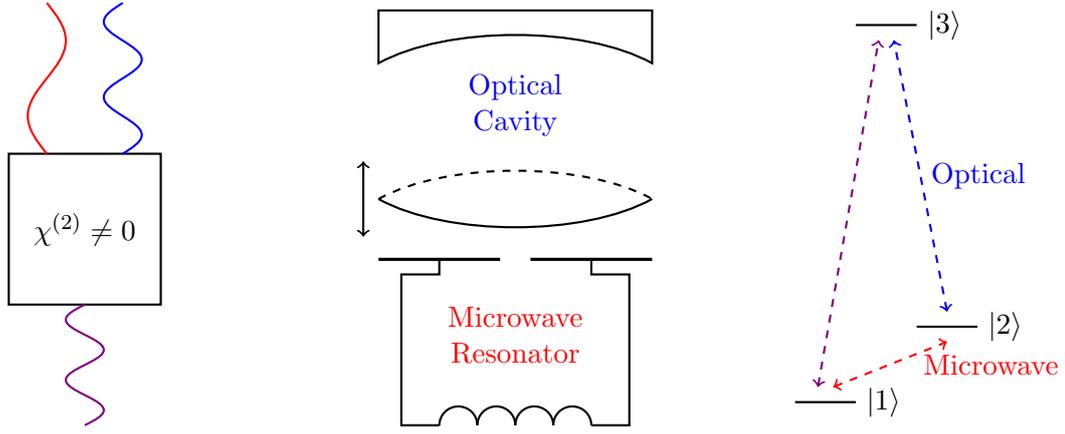


Figure 1.2: Hybrid microwave-optical platforms illustrated, including  $\chi^{(2)}$ -nonlinear dielectric media (left), optomechanical systems (middle), and atomic energy levels (right).

## 1.5 Hybrid Atomic Systems

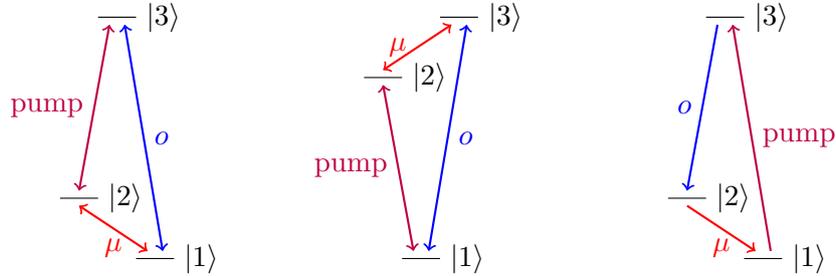


Figure 1.3: Transduction in a  $\Lambda$ -system (left) and V-system (middle), and biphoton generation in a  $\Lambda$ -system (right).

Atoms can be used for transduction by working in a three-level system consisting of two levels separated by a microwave transition and a third level separated from the other two by optical transitions. This can either be a  $\Lambda$ -system, in which the  $|1\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle$  levels are microwave-separated, or a V-system, in which  $|2\rangle$  and  $|3\rangle$  are microwave-separated<sup>1</sup>. To perform transduction in a  $\Lambda$ -system,  $|2\rangle \leftrightarrow |3\rangle$  is pumped so that absorption of a microwave photon by the  $|1\rangle \rightarrow |2\rangle$  transition results in coherence between the  $|1\rangle$  and  $|3\rangle$  levels and ultimately the emission of an optical photon from the  $|3\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$  transition, and vice-versa. In a V-system,  $|1\rangle \rightarrow |2\rangle$  is pumped, microwave signals interact with the  $|2\rangle \leftrightarrow |3\rangle$  transition, and optical signals interact with  $|1\rangle \leftrightarrow |3\rangle$ . Biphoton generation can be performed by pumping  $|1\rangle \rightarrow |3\rangle$  to obtain continuous output of  $|3\rangle \rightarrow |2\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$  photon pairs. These processes are illustrated in Figure 1.3.

Atoms can be used in quantum technology as electromagnetically trapped ions or neutral atoms, or as constituents of crystals, with the latter being the focus of my project. Atoms in crystals are more miniaturisable and therefore scalable than trapped atoms because they do not need trapping infrastructure; confinement is provided by the crystal. Scaling is desirable because the more atoms are used, the stronger their collective interactions with the microwave and optical signals are. However, atomic ensembles in crystals are subject to *inhomogeneous broadening* of the collective spectral line shapes, compared to individual atoms.

Let the absorption spectrum of a single atom around its transition frequency  $\omega_0$  (the *homogeneous* lineshape) be  $\alpha_S(\omega - \omega_0)$ . The absorption spectrum of  $N$  atoms of the same species, if all atoms had the same transition frequency, would simply be

$$\alpha_E(\omega) = N\alpha_S(\omega - \omega_0). \quad (1.1)$$

<sup>1</sup> $\Lambda$ -systems and V-systems are named as such because the two optical transitions form diagrams resembling those glyphs.

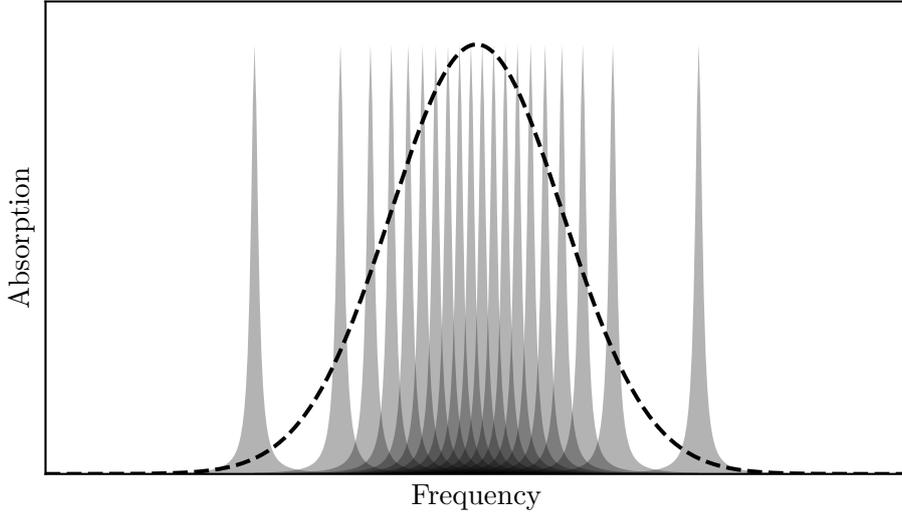


Figure 1.4: Inhomogeneous broadening of an atomic ensemble’s absorption spectrum. The individual atoms have absorption spectra (grey filled curves) that are slightly shifted from each other, resulting in an overall ensemble absorption spectrum (dashed line) that is broader than the individual atom spectrum.

However, in a crystal, every atom has its own slightly different transition frequency  $\omega_0$ . This is because each atom has a slightly different local electromagnetic field due to strain and defects in the crystal, which shift the atomic energy levels via effects such as the Stark and Zeeman effects, by a different amount for each atom. Given that the atomic transition frequencies are distributed with probability density function (PDF)  $p(\omega_0)$ , the absorption spectrum of an  $N$ -atom ensemble (the *inhomogeneous* lineshape) is

$$\alpha_E(\omega) = N \int_0^\infty \alpha_S(\omega - \omega_0) p(\omega_0) d\omega_0 = N\alpha_S * p. \quad (1.2)$$

This is at least as wide as the homogeneous line width, and is usually much wider.

### 1.5.1 Rare Earths

Of all atomic species one could use for hybrid systems, rare earths are a leading candidate. Their states have long coherence times, such as nuclear spin coherence times longer than 1 s in  $\text{Er}^{3+}$ [20] and up to 6 hours in  $\text{Eu}^{3+}$ [21], and electronic coherence times of 4 ms in  $\text{Er}^{3+}$ [22]. Rare earths also have narrow inhomogeneous linewidths[23], MHz for microwave transitions and hundreds of MHz for optical transitions. Both of these properties are the result of the full  $5s$  and  $5p$  electron shells of rare earths having larger radii than their  $4f$  valence shells, which shields the latter from the external environment[24]. Erbium in particular has an optical transition frequency in the infrared telecommunications band which is attenuated least by optical fibres, making it well-suited for long-distance communication and networking applications.

## 1.6 Background Quantum Theory

This section explains the quantum-mechanical formalisms that are used throughout the remainder of the thesis. This begins with *second quantisation*, the quantum description of light and systems that interact with light (*quantum emitters*), and then describes those interactions as exchanges of energy quanta, and a semiclassical approximation thereof. Then, the theory of inputs and outputs of quantum systems is presented. Finally, a formalism for quantum decoherence is presented; due to this being a stochastic phenomenon, this formalism is expressed in terms of probabilistic mixtures of quantum states.

### 1.6.1 Second Quantisation

In the formalism of *second quantisation*, quantum systems are analysed as being composed of components (*modes*) which are occupied by energy quanta. These modes have Hamiltonians of the form

$$\hbar\omega_0\hat{n} \quad (1.3)$$

where

$$\hat{n} = \sum_n n |n\rangle \langle n| \quad (1.4)$$

is the observable for the number of energy quanta in the mode, and  $\hbar\omega_0$  is the energy quantum.

For a *bosonic* mode, the sum in Equation 1.4 is over  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , i.e. an arbitrarily large number of quanta can occupy the mode. An electromagnetic cavity mode is a bosonic mode, with the energy quanta being photons. For a *fermionic* mode, only one quantum can occupy it, and  $n = 0, 1$  only. The fermionic  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  states are sometimes alternatively denoted  $|g\rangle$  (*ground*) and  $|e\rangle$  (*excited*) respectively. A two-level quantum emitter is a fermionic mode, and the level pairs of multi-level systems like atoms can be modelled as fermionic modes.

### Ladder Operators

The *number operator*

$$\hat{n} = \hat{c}^\dagger \hat{c} \quad (1.5)$$

is composed of a *lowering operator*  $\hat{c}$  and a *raising operator*<sup>2</sup>  $\hat{c}^\dagger$ . These ladder operators act on number states by lowering or raising them respectively to adjacent number states. Specifically, the bosonic ladder operators act on number states by

$$\hat{a} |n\rangle = \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle, \quad \hat{a}^\dagger |n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |n+1\rangle, \quad (1.6)$$

and the fermionic ladder operators are

$$\hat{\sigma} = |0\rangle \langle 1|, \quad \hat{\sigma}^\dagger = |1\rangle \langle 0|; \quad (1.7)$$

$\hat{c}$  in Equation 1.5 is any one of  $\hat{a}$  or  $\hat{\sigma}$ . These operators have commutation relations<sup>3</sup>

$$[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] = \hat{1}, \quad [\hat{\sigma}, \hat{\sigma}^\dagger] = \hat{1} - 2\hat{\sigma}^\dagger \hat{\sigma}. \quad (1.8)$$

As the notation suggests, ladder operators are Hermitian conjugates of each other, and the lowering operator, by convention, is the one represented without a dagger.

### 1.6.2 Light-Matter Interactions

#### Quantum Model

In the language of second quantisation, light-matter interactions are described in terms of an electromagnetic cavity with lowering operator  $\hat{a}$  and a two-level quantum emitter with lowering operator  $\hat{\sigma}$ . Here I consider light-matter interactions through the dipole interaction, which, for the example of an electric dipole, is represented by a Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{\text{light}} + \hat{H}_{\text{emitter}} - \hat{\mathbf{d}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}. \quad (1.9)$$

$\hat{\mathbf{d}}$  is the dipole moment operator of the emitter, and can therefore be expressed in terms of  $\hat{\sigma}$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{E}}$  is the electric field operator, which can be expressed in terms of  $\hat{a}$ . Making appropriate approximations<sup>4</sup>

<sup>2</sup>Alternatively, *annihilation* and *creation* operator respectively

<sup>3</sup>Here, unlike in Equation 1.3,  $\hbar = 1$  is used and  $\hbar$  is dropped accordingly. The same will be done in the remainder of this thesis.

<sup>4</sup>The *rotating wave approximation*

and writing the result out in terms of mode operators yields the *Jaynes-Cummings Hamiltonian*[25, 26]

$$\hat{H}_{\text{JC}} = \omega_r \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \omega_a \hat{\sigma}^\dagger \hat{\sigma} + g(\hat{a} \hat{\sigma}^\dagger + \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{\sigma}). \quad (1.10)$$

Here,  $\omega_r$  is the resonant frequency of the cavity,  $\omega_a$  is the transition frequency of the emitter, and  $g$  is a constant representing the strength of the interaction. The terms  $\hat{a} \hat{\sigma}^\dagger$  and  $\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{\sigma}$  that are scaled by  $g$  represent the interaction itself as the transfer of energy quanta between the cavity and the emitter. Because this interaction is through the dipole mechanism, the interaction strength is proportional to

$$g \propto \langle g | \hat{d}_{\parallel} | e \rangle \quad (1.11)$$

the component of the dipole moment matrix element parallel to the light polarisation.

### Semiclassical Approximation and Rabi Frequencies

A unitary transformation of Equation 1.10 eliminates the cavity energy term to obtain

$$\hat{H} = \omega_a \hat{\sigma}^\dagger \hat{\sigma} + g \hat{a} e^{-i\omega_r t} \hat{\sigma}^\dagger + g \hat{a}^\dagger e^{i\omega_r t} \hat{\sigma}. \quad (1.12)$$

To form a semiclassical approximation, the cavity operator  $\hat{a}$  is replaced with a complex number  $\alpha$  that represents the amplitude and phase of a ‘classical-like’ cavity state<sup>5</sup>, scaled so that  $|\alpha|^2 = \langle \hat{n} \rangle$  resulting in the semiclassical *mean-field* model in [27], a Hamiltonian which, in the  $(|g\rangle, |e\rangle)$  basis of the emitter, is

$$\hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & g\alpha^* e^{i\omega_r t} \\ g\alpha e^{-i\omega_r t} & \omega_a \end{bmatrix}. \quad (1.13)$$

This represents the dipole interaction between a quantum emitter and a classical oscillating electromagnetic field in terms of the *Rabi frequency*  $\Omega = g\alpha$ . More specifically, for the example of an electric dipole,

$$\Omega = \frac{\langle g | \hat{\mathbf{d}} | e \rangle \cdot \boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}_0}{\hbar} \quad (1.14)$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}_0$  is the complex amplitude of the electric field. This model therefore also applies to emitters driven by waveguides or free-space light beams, for some  $\Omega$  that has no interpretation as a  $g\alpha$ . A unitary transformation of Equation 1.13 gives a time-independent Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \Omega^* \\ \Omega & \omega_a - \omega_r \end{bmatrix}. \quad (1.15)$$

Furthermore, Equation 1.13 can be extended quite simply to driven multi-level systems: for energy levels indexed by  $k$  and drives indexed by  $\ell$ ,

$$\hat{H} = \sum_k \omega_k \hat{\sigma}_{kk} + \sum_\ell (\Omega_\ell e^{i\omega_\ell t} \hat{\sigma}_{i_\ell j_\ell} + \Omega_\ell^* e^{-i\omega_\ell t} \hat{\sigma}_{j_\ell i_\ell}) \quad (1.16)$$

where  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij} = |i\rangle \langle j|$  are unit matrices and  $i_\ell j_\ell$  are the transitions driven by drive  $\ell$ .

### 1.6.3 The Heisenberg Picture

The *Heisenberg picture* of quantum mechanics is a formulation of quantum mechanics in which operators evolve in time, but state vectors (kets) are static, representing initial conditions. This is in opposition to the *Schrödinger picture*. Operators in the Heisenberg picture obey the *Heisenberg equation*[28]

$$\frac{d\hat{A}}{dt} = -i[\hat{A}, \hat{H}]. \quad (1.17)$$

When forming semiclassical approximations that replace light operators with amplitudes, such as in Subsection 1.6.2, the Heisenberg equation of a light operator becomes the differential equation of the amplitude.

<sup>5</sup>Known as a *coherent state*; see Reference [26].

## Langevin Equations and Input-Output Theory

If we have some system, with Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_{\text{sys}}$  that is coupled through an operator  $\hat{c}$  to a waveguide or transmission line, *input-output theory*[29] provides a quantum model of such a system, which includes the dynamics of some (not necessarily bosonic) system operator  $\hat{a}$  expressed in terms of modified Heisenberg equation, known as a *Langevin equation*,

$$\frac{d\hat{a}}{dt} = -i[\hat{a}, \hat{H}_{\text{sys}}] + [\hat{a}, \hat{c}^\dagger] \left( -\frac{\gamma}{2}\hat{c} + \sqrt{\gamma}\hat{b}_{\text{in}}(t) \right) + \left( \frac{\gamma}{2}\hat{c}^\dagger - \sqrt{\gamma}\hat{b}_{\text{in}}^\dagger(t) \right) [\hat{a}, \hat{c}]. \quad (1.18)$$

Here,  $\hat{b}_{\text{in}}(t)$  is a bosonic-like operator representing the input from the waveguide into the system at time  $t$ , and  $\gamma$  is the rate of energy loss from  $\hat{c}$  into the waveguide. A similar output operator is

$$\hat{b}_{\text{out}}(t) = -\hat{b}_{\text{in}}(t) + \sqrt{\gamma}\hat{c}. \quad (1.19)$$

The operators  $\hat{b}_{\text{in}}(t)$  and  $\hat{b}_{\text{out}}(t)$  at one time and at another time correspond to separate modes, and should not be interpreted as any sort of time evolution. Loosely speaking, we can think of these operators as representing  $\delta$ -function pulses that arrive at the system at time  $t$ , which can be integrated over to form arbitrary signals.

### 1.6.4 Density Matrices and the Master Equation

A *density matrix*[30] for a system is an operator which describes the probability distribution of states in that system, distinguishing ‘classical’ probability from quantum superpositions. For states  $|\psi_k\rangle$  with probabilities  $p_k$ , the density matrix is

$$\hat{\rho} = \sum_k p_k |\psi_k\rangle \langle\psi_k|. \quad (1.20)$$

In the Schrödinger picture, density matrices evolve according to the *Master equation*<sup>6</sup>

$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}}{dt} = -i[\hat{H}, \hat{\rho}]. \quad (1.21)$$

The expectation value of an operator  $\hat{O}$  can be calculated from a density matrix  $\hat{\rho}$  as

$$\langle\hat{O}\rangle = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho}\hat{O}), \quad (1.22)$$

which, for a density matrix of the form in Equation 1.20, is the weighted sum of the expectation value for all  $|\psi_k\rangle$  states

$$\langle\hat{O}\rangle = \sum_k p_k \langle\psi_k|\hat{O}|\psi_k\rangle. \quad (1.23)$$

### Density Matrices and Quantum Decoherence

Consider the density matrix of a two-level system. A pure ground state  $|0\rangle$  has density matrix

$$\hat{\rho} = |0\rangle \langle 0| = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1.24)$$

whereas an even probabilistic mixture of  $|0\rangle$  and  $|1\rangle$  has density matrix

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{2} (|0\rangle \langle 0| + |1\rangle \langle 1|) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (1.25)$$

This demonstrates that the diagonal elements of a density matrix represent probabilities of states. Indeed,  $\text{tr} \hat{\rho} = 1$ . The even superposition  $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$  has density matrix

$$\hat{\rho} = |\psi\rangle \langle\psi| = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1.26)$$

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<sup>6</sup>Alternatively, the *Lindblad equation*

which demonstrates that the off-diagonal elements represent *coherences* between states. That is to say, they distinguish between superpositions and classical probabilities.

Density matrices are a useful formalism for expressing quantum decoherence. The two types of decoherence in quantum systems are *depolarisation* and *dephasing*. Depolarisation is unwanted transitions between states, which includes transitions to lower-energy states (*relaxation*) as well as unwanted excitations to higher-energy states. In a density matrix, this is represented by changes in the diagonal elements. Dephasing is drift in relative phase between states, caused by fluctuations in the energy levels. This is represented by decreases in the magnitudes of the off-diagonal elements. The dynamics of decoherence can be represented by additional terms in the Master equation. For decoherence resulting from the coupling of operators  $\hat{A}_k$  to the environment, with rates  $\gamma_k$ , the Master equation becomes

$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}}{dt} = -i[\hat{H}, \hat{\rho}] + \sum_k \frac{\gamma_k}{2} \left( 2\hat{A}_k \hat{\rho} \hat{A}_k^\dagger - \hat{A}_k^\dagger \hat{A}_k \hat{\rho} - \hat{\rho} \hat{A}_k^\dagger \hat{A}_k \right). \quad (1.27)$$

In both the original and prior modelling work presented in this thesis, density matrices are used to represent the states of atoms, but not cavities. This is because cavities do not dephase, only depolarise by gaining and losing photons, and so the input-output formalism of Subsection 1.6.3 is better suited.

## 1.7 Outline of Thesis

This thesis is structured as follows. Chapter 2 mostly presents prior work on both numerical and analytical modelling for atomic ensemble based microwave-optical transduction, that the original work in this thesis builds from. At the end of that chapter, in Section 2.5, it describes original work on analysing phase conventions and relations in that model. Chapter 3 describes original numerical modelling for transduction in four-level atomic systems. This model computes transduction signal strengths, and thereby conversion efficiencies. The chapter also compares model and experimental results. Chapter 4 describes numerical modelling for the pair generation rate resulting from biphoton generation in three-level atomic systems. Finally, Chapter 5 concludes the thesis.

## Chapter 2

# Prior Work on Transduction Modelling

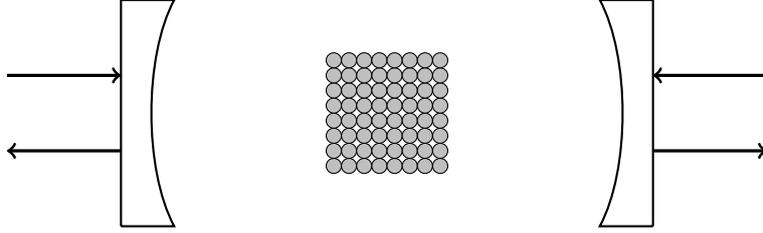


Figure 2.1: An illustration of a crystal in a cavity, with signals entering and exiting the cavity.

In this chapter, I review some existing modelling work[1, 2, 31] for microwave-optical quantum transduction using atomic ensembles in microwave and optical cavities. This prior work focuses on atoms in cavities rather than in free space, because cavity-based systems promise to be more efficient because of stronger light-matter interactions in cavities due to concentrated electromagnetic field. To begin, I present a fully quantum model for three-level atoms in cavities in Section 2.1, and then in later sections, I review the semiclassical models of References [1, 2, 31], and discuss the approximations made in those models. In Section 2.5, I investigate relations between input and output phases in these models, and find that there is a physically sensible phase relation only if a particular modification is made to the model. The phases of optical photons can be used to encode quantum information, and so accurate predictions of phase are important to such applications. Notation used here may differ from that of the original sources.

### 2.1 Quantum Model

A fully quantum model for such a system is the Jaynes-Cummings-like Hamiltonian[2]

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{\text{cavities}} + \sum_{k=1}^N \hat{H}_{\text{atom},k} + \sum_{k=1}^N \hat{H}_{\text{int},k} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $N$  is the total number of active atoms and  $k$  is an index over the atoms. The Hamiltonian of the cavities is

$$\hat{H}_{\text{cavities}} = \delta_{co} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \delta_{c\mu} \hat{b}^\dagger \hat{b} \quad (2.2)$$

where  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{b}$  are the lowering operators of the optical and microwave cavity modes respectively, and  $\delta_{co} = \omega_{co} - \omega_o$  and  $\delta_{c\mu} = \omega_{c\mu} - \omega_\mu$  are the detunings of the optical and microwave signals respectively from the resonant frequencies of the cavities. The other two components of Equation 2.1 depend on whether the three-level system being used is a  $\Lambda$ -system or a V-system. The atom Hamiltonian, with both cases explicitly written out, is

$$\hat{H}_{\text{atom},k} = \begin{cases} \delta_{\mu,k} \hat{\sigma}_{22,k} + \delta_{p,k} \hat{\sigma}_{33,k} & \Lambda\text{-system} \\ \delta_{o,k} \hat{\sigma}_{22,k} + \delta_{p,k} \hat{\sigma}_{33,k} & \text{V-system} \end{cases} \quad (2.3)$$

$\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} = |i_k\rangle\langle j_k|$  are atomic unit matrices,  $\delta_{o,k} = \omega_{13,k} - \omega_o$  is the detuning of the optical signal from the  $|1\rangle \leftrightarrow |3\rangle$  transition frequency, and  $\delta_{\mu,k}$  and  $\delta_{p,k}$  are the detunings of the microwave and pump signals respectively from their corresponding atomic transition frequencies. These transition frequencies are different for each atom due to inhomogeneous broadening. By conservation of energy,  $\delta_{\mu,k} + \delta_{p,k} = \delta_{o,k}$ , and so, even though we only directly control the frequency of the two inputs, we always know the frequency of the output. The interaction Hamiltonian is

$$\hat{H}_{\text{int},k} = \Omega_{p,k} \hat{\sigma}_{i_p j_p, k} + g_{o,k} \hat{a} \hat{\sigma}_{31, k} + g_{\mu,k} \hat{b} \hat{\sigma}_{i_{\mu} j_{\mu}, k} + \text{h.c.} \quad (2.4)$$

where  $\Omega_{p,k}$  is the pump Rabi frequency on atom  $k$ ,  $g_{o,k}$  and  $g_{\mu,k}$  are the coupling strengths of atom  $k$  to the optical and microwave cavities respectively, and  $i_p$  and  $j_p$  ( $i_{\mu}$  and  $j_{\mu}$ ) are the lower and upper atomic levels respectively of the transition corresponding to the pump (microwave) signal.

The cavity Langevin equations for this system, which include damping and signal input-output, are

$$\frac{d\hat{a}}{dt} = -i\delta_{co}\hat{a} - i\sum_{k=1}^N g_{o,k}^* \hat{\sigma}_{13, k} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \hat{a} + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \hat{a}_{\text{in}}(t) \quad (2.5)$$

$$\frac{d\hat{b}}{dt} = -i\delta_{c\mu}\hat{b} - i\sum_{k=1}^N g_{\mu,k}^* \hat{\sigma}_{i_{\mu} j_{\mu}, k} - \frac{\gamma_{\mu i} + \gamma_{\mu c}}{2} \hat{b} + \sqrt{\gamma_{\mu c}} \hat{b}_{\text{in}}(t) \quad (2.6)$$

where  $\gamma_{oi}$  and  $\gamma_{oc}$  ( $\gamma_{\mu i}$  and  $\gamma_{\mu c}$ ) are the energy loss rates of the optical (microwave) cavity through intrinsic damping and coupling to the input-output channel respectively. The output operators are, in analogy with Equation 1.19,

$$\hat{a}_{\text{out}}(t) = -\hat{a}_{\text{in}}(t) + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \hat{a}(t) \quad (2.7)$$

$$\hat{b}_{\text{out}}(t) = -\hat{b}_{\text{in}}(t) + \sqrt{\gamma_{\mu c}} \hat{b}(t). \quad (2.8)$$

## 2.2 Adiabatic Elimination of the Atomic Dynamics

The fully quantum model is intractable to solve exactly. One approach to simplifying the model into something tractable is that of Williamson et. al. (2014) [31]. By assuming that the atom-signal detunings are large ( $|\delta_{o,k}| \gg |g_{o,k}|$ ,  $|\delta_{\mu,k}| \gg |g_{\mu,k}|$ , and  $|\delta_{o,k}\delta_{\mu,k}| \gg |\Omega_{p,k}|^2$ ), we can approximate the indirect interaction of the microwave and optical cavities as a direct interaction, *adiabatically eliminating*[32] the atomic dynamics. This gives an effective interaction Hamiltonian for the system

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}} = S \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b} + S^* \hat{a} \hat{b}^\dagger \quad (2.9)$$

where the effective interaction strength is

$$S = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\Omega_{p,k} g_{\mu,k} g_{o,k}^*}{\delta_{o,k} \delta_{\mu,k}}. \quad (2.10)$$

Note that this is the same Hamiltonian as for two cavities that share a mirror, with the transduction process being analogous to photons passing through the shared mirror. The cavity Langevin equations are then

$$\frac{d\hat{a}}{dt} = -iS\hat{b} - \frac{\gamma_{oc}}{2} \hat{a} + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \hat{a}_{\text{in}}(t) \quad (2.11)$$

$$\frac{d\hat{b}}{dt} = -iS^* \hat{a} - \frac{\gamma_{\mu c}}{2} \hat{b} + \sqrt{\gamma_{\mu c}} \hat{b}_{\text{in}}(t); \quad (2.12)$$

this model further assumes that all loss in the cavities is through the input-output channels, i.e.  $\gamma_{oi} = \gamma_{\mu i} = 0$ . In the steady state of the cavities, the conversion efficiency (in both directions) can be found analytically to be

$$\eta = \left| \frac{4iS\sqrt{\gamma_{oc}\gamma_{\mu c}}}{4|S|^2 + \gamma_{oc}\gamma_{\mu c}} \right|^2. \quad (2.13)$$

## 2.3 Semiclassical Cavity and Atomic Master Equation Steady States

A less simplistic model, one which must be solved numerically rather than analytically, is that of Fernandez-Gonzalvo et. al. (2019) [1]. That paper only explicitly describes  $\Lambda$ -systems, but the generalisation to V-systems is straightforward. In this model, the atom-cavity interaction is replaced with semiclassical (Rabi) drives in the atom Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{\text{atom},k} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \Omega_{\mu,k}^* & \Omega_{o,k}^* \\ \Omega_{\mu,k} & \delta_{\mu,k} & \Omega_{p,k}^* \\ \Omega_{o,k} & \Omega_{p,k} & \delta_{p,k} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.14)$$

where  $\Omega_{\mu,k}$  and  $\Omega_{o,k}$  are the Rabi frequencies of the driving that results from coupling to the microwave and optical cavities respectively. With  $\alpha$  as the semiclassical amplitude of the optical cavity,  $\Omega_{o,k} = g_{o,k}\alpha$ . However, we do not treat the microwave cavity similarly, and instead assume that its amplitude is large enough that atomic absorption and emission is negligible, and so disregard the dynamical details of  $\Omega_{\mu,k}$ , setting it to be some constant value.

To handle the atomic dynamics, we use the Master equation

$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}_k}{dt} =: \mathcal{L}_k \hat{\rho}_k = -i[\hat{H}_{\text{atom},k}, \hat{\rho}_k] + \mathcal{L}_{\text{dec},k} \hat{\rho}_k \quad (2.15)$$

with decoherence operator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{dec},k} \hat{\rho}_k &= \mathcal{L}_{12,k} \hat{\rho}_k + \mathcal{L}_{13,k} \hat{\rho}_k + \mathcal{L}_{23,k} \hat{\rho}_k + \mathcal{L}_{2d,k} \hat{\rho}_k + \mathcal{L}_{3d,k} \hat{\rho}_k \\ \mathcal{L}_{ij,k} \hat{\rho}_k &= \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma_{ij}(n_{ij,k} + 1)}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{ji,k} - \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{jj,k} - \hat{\sigma}_{jj,k} \hat{\rho}_k) & i = 1, j = 2 \\ + \frac{\gamma_{ij} n_{ij,k}}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ji,k} \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} - \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{ii,k} - \hat{\sigma}_{ii,k} \hat{\rho}_k) & \\ \frac{\gamma_{ij}}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{ji,k} - \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{jj,k} - \hat{\sigma}_{jj,k} \hat{\rho}_k) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \mathcal{L}_{id,k} \hat{\rho}_k &= \frac{\gamma_{id}}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ii,k} \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{ii,k} - \hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{ii,k} - \hat{\sigma}_{ii,k} \hat{\rho}_k). \end{aligned} \quad (2.16)$$

$\gamma_{2d}$  and  $\gamma_{3d}$  are the dephasing rates of levels  $|2\rangle$  and  $|3\rangle$  respectively with level  $|1\rangle$ , and  $\gamma_{12,k}$ ,  $\gamma_{13}$ , and  $\gamma_{23}$  are the relaxation rates via the indicated transitions.  $n_{12,k}$  is the mean thermal excitation count at  $\omega_{12,k}$ , as per the Bose-Einstein distribution, which is approximately zero for all other transition frequencies. For this transition,

$$\gamma_{12,k} = \frac{1}{\tau_{12}} \frac{1}{n_{12} + 1} \quad (2.17)$$

where  $\tau_{12}$  is the relaxation lifetime, whereas the other transitions follow the simpler  $\gamma_{ij} = 1/\tau_{ij}$ .

$\alpha$  evolves in time according to a semiclassical approximation of Equation 2.5, in which  $\hat{a}$  is, of course, replaced with  $\alpha$ , and the  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k}$  operators in the atomic interaction terms are replaced with  $\rho_{ij,k}$  to give

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = -i\delta_{co}\alpha - i \sum_{k=1}^N g_{o,k}^* \rho_{13,k} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \alpha + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \alpha_{\text{in}}. \quad (2.18)$$

### 2.3.1 Steady States

Despite this model being much smaller than the fully quantum model, operators having been replaced with complex numbers, it is still intractable to solve the time evolution of, because it requires  $N$  density matrices to be stored in memory. Finding steady states, however, is tractable with a few further simplifications. Let  $\hat{\rho}_{k,SS}(\alpha)$  be the steady state of the density matrix of atom  $k$  given an optical cavity amplitude  $\alpha$ , which is found by solving the linear system in Equation 2.15. We can drop the  $k$  index by including as function arguments all atom variables to obtain  $\hat{\rho}_{SS}(\Omega_{p,k}, g_{o,k}, \alpha, \Omega_{\mu,k}, \delta_{o,k}, \delta_{\mu,k}, \omega_{12,k})$ . If we assume that all atoms have the same coupling strengths and Rabi frequencies,  $\hat{\rho}_{SS}$  varies only with  $\alpha$  and the inhomogeneous shifts of each atom. This allows us to replace the sum in Equation 2.18 with an integral over the inhomogeneous distribution, of the form in Equation 1.2

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = -i\delta_{co}\alpha - iN g_o^* \iint \rho_{13,SS}(\alpha, \delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) d\delta_{12} d\delta_{23} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \alpha + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \alpha_{\text{in}}. \quad (2.19)$$

Here,  $\delta_{ij} = \omega_{ij} - \omega'_{ij}$  is the inhomogeneous shift of an atomic transition frequency  $\omega'_{ij}$  from some ‘nominal’ transition frequency  $\omega_{ij}$ , and  $p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{23})$  is the PDF of those shifts. A value of  $\alpha$  for which Equation 2.19 is zero, i.e. a steady state, can be found using numerical root-finding, in which each iterative step involves evaluating the integral over the inhomogeneous distribution using some numerical quadrature scheme.

### 2.3.2 Further Development by Barnett and Longdell (2020)

Barnett and Longdell (2020) [2] further developed this model by including the dynamics of both cavities, with a semiclassical microwave cavity amplitude  $\beta$  from which the microwave Rabi frequency  $\Omega_\mu = g_\mu\beta$  derives. Additionally, the assumption that all atoms have equal interaction strengths was replaced with the assumption that  $N_o \leq N$  atoms have equal  $g_o$  and  $N_\mu$  atoms have equal  $g_\mu$ , with the remaining atoms not interacting with those cavities at all, due to being outside the mode volume. Put together, this replaces Equation 2.19 with the system

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = -i\delta_{co}\alpha - iN_o g_o^* \iint \rho_{13,SS}(\alpha, \beta, \delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) d\delta_{12} d\delta_{23} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \alpha + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \alpha_{in} \quad (2.20)$$

$$\frac{d\beta}{dt} = -i\delta_{c\mu}\beta - iN_\mu g_\mu^* \iint \rho_{12,SS}(\alpha, \beta, \delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) d\delta_{12} d\delta_{23} - \frac{\gamma_{\mu i} + \gamma_{\mu c}}{2} \beta + \sqrt{\gamma_{\mu c}} \beta_{in}. \quad (2.21)$$

### Numerical Methods

When performing the integral over the inhomogeneous distribution,  $\hat{\rho}_{SS}$  will vary rapidly around values for which  $\hat{H}_{\text{atom}}(\delta_{12}, \delta_{23})$  has degenerate eigenvalues. Accordingly, to achieve good numerical accuracy in the integral, samples should be concentrated around those parts of the domain. Barnett and Longdell address this by splitting the two-variable integral into an inner and outer integral, and, for each inner integral, performing root finding on the discriminant of the characteristic polynomial of  $\hat{H}_{\text{atom}}$ , which is zero where the Hamiltonian has degenerate eigenvalues, and partitioning the domain interval of the inner integral about that root point. The integral on each of those subintervals is evaluated using Gauss-Lobatto quadrature[33], which includes the endpoints of the interval in the nodes of integration. This ensures that the points of degenerate eigenvalues are not skipped in the numerical integral.

### Real Density Matrix and Master Equation

An atomic density matrix  $\hat{\rho}$  has nine complex elements, but because it is Hermitian, only nine real degrees of freedom. These degrees of freedom can be arranged in a real non-symmetric matrix

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{real}} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{11} & \text{Re } \rho_{12} & \text{Re } \rho_{13} \\ \text{Im } \rho_{12} & \rho_{22} & \text{Re } \rho_{23} \\ \text{Im } \rho_{13} & \text{Im } \rho_{23} & \rho_{33} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.22)$$

Barnett (2019) [34] showed that this can be expressed as a linear transformation

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{real}} = \mathcal{C} \hat{\rho}, \quad (2.23)$$

and so the Master equation can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\hat{\rho}_{\text{real}}}{dt} &= \mathcal{L}_{\text{real}} \hat{\rho}_{\text{real}} \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{real}} &= \mathcal{C} \mathcal{L} \mathcal{C}^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.24)$$

Accordingly, steady states of the Master equation can be found as

$$\hat{\rho}_{SS} = \mathcal{C}^{-1} \hat{\rho}_{\text{real},SS} \quad (2.25)$$

where  $\hat{\rho}_{\text{real},SS}$  is the steady state of Equation 2.24.

## 2.4 Comparisons of Models

Barnett (2019) [34] compared the numerical results of the semiclassical cavity amplitude and atomic master equation model to those of experiments with an Er:YSO (erbium doped in yttrium orthosilicate) crystal and found good agreement. That work also compared the theoretical and numerical results of that model to that of the simpler adiabatic model, and found significant disagreement between the two, at least for some choice of parameters. This demonstrates that the cavity amplitude and atomic master equation model is much more accurate than the adiabatic model.

## 2.5 Transduction Signal Phase Relations

In these models, the semiclassical approximation is formed by replacing the atomic unit matrices  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k}$  with density matrix elements  $\rho_{ij,k}$ . However, the formal expectation values of these atomic unit matrices, using Equation 1.22, are in fact  $\langle \hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} \rangle = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho}_k \hat{\sigma}_{ij,k}) = \rho_{ji,k}$ , which is the complex conjugate of  $\rho_{ij,k}$ . The papers acknowledge this, but use  $\rho_{ij,k}$  instead. A complex conjugate flips phase and preserves magnitude, and so the choice of index order would have its effect on the output phases.

Using my own implementation of the model in Reference [2], I compute transduction signals for both index orders, to find the output phases. For each index order, I use the three different microwave input powers investigated in the paper<sup>1</sup>  $P_\mu = -200$  dBm,  $-75$  dBm,  $5$  dBm. For each, I perform 60 trials of random pairs of phases for  $\Omega_p$  and  $\beta_{\text{in}}$ . The optical pump strength was kept constant for all evaluations, with  $|\Omega_p| = 35$  kHz as in Reference [2] (see Appendix A). All evaluations use zero detunings  $\delta_o = \delta_\mu = \delta_{co} = \delta_{c\mu} = 0$ . The results (Figure 2.2) showed that  $\arg \Omega + \arg \beta_{\text{in}} - \arg \alpha_{\text{out}}$  was independent of phase for the  $\rho_{ji,k}$  index order, but not for the  $\rho_{ij,k}$  index order, and that this was the only ‘conserved’ phase sum. Therefore, the effect of this complex conjugation on phase is quite nontrivial, and only  $\rho_{ji,k}$  has a physically sensible relationship between input and output phases, in which inputs and outputs have internally consistent and opposite phases. Accordingly, I use  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} \rightarrow \rho_{ji,k}$  in all of my original modelling.

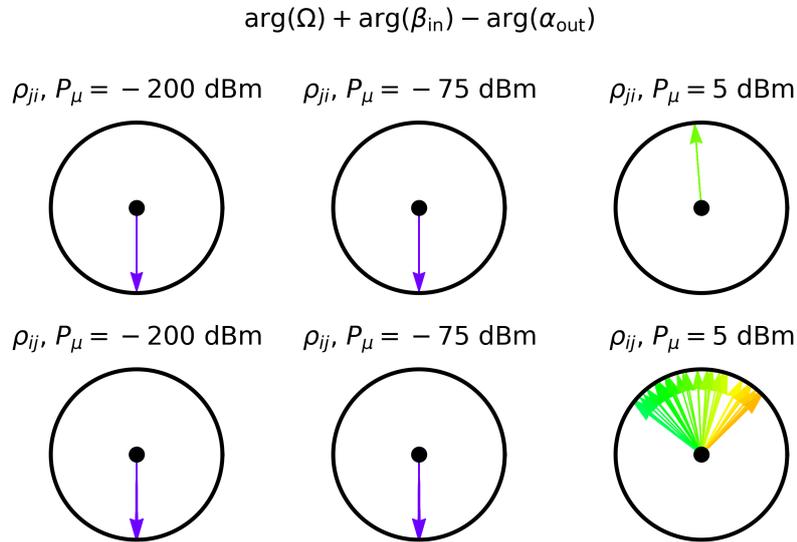


Figure 2.2: Sum of input phases minus output phase, for  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} \rightarrow \rho_{ji,k}$  (top) and  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} \rightarrow \rho_{ij,k}$  (bottom) and for different microwave powers (columns). For  $\rho_{ji,k}$ , this phase sum is consistent for all input phases, though it does vary between power levels. For  $\rho_{ij,k}$ , on the other hand, it varies, only slightly for low powers but quite substantially at high power.

<sup>1</sup>dBm is a ‘unit’ of power which is a decibel scale with 0 dBm = 1 mW, so that e.g. 30 dBm = 1 W.

## Chapter 3

# Transduction in a Four-Level System in Yb:YVO<sub>4</sub>

This chapter describes original work on modelling the output power from transduction in a four-level atomic system, which can then be used to calculate transduction efficiency. This builds on concepts used in the three-level transduction models discussed in Chapter 2. Transduction in a four-level system involves multiple atomic transitions that produce output, which may have different phases from each other and therefore interfere. This can affect transduction efficiencies by orders of magnitude, but a three-level model does not account for it. This is applicable to many atomic platforms because the atomic levels used for transduction are almost always part of electronic multiplets, and so a ‘three-level’ transduction system will usually have a fourth level near the optical-separated level. Additionally, this chapter focuses specifically on transduction with atoms coupled directly to waveguides, rather than through cavities as in the prior work, which requires a different formalism to model.

To construct this model, I first constructed a four-level Hamiltonian and resultant Master equation for driven atoms, then used input-output theory to derive an expression for emission from the atoms, and finally expressed the overall emitted power from the entire ensemble as an integral over the inhomogeneous distribution. This thesis also presents numerical methods I developed for implementing the model. After describing this model, this chapter presents a comparison of the output powers computed using the model with those measured in experiments is presented, detailing the process of finding appropriate model parameters.

### 3.1 Target Platform and Benchmark Experimental Data

In constructing a model of four-level transduction. I aim to simulate the experiments described in Bartholomew et. al. 2020[3]. This work used an on-chip device (Figure 3.1) consisting of an optical waveguide constructed of <sup>171</sup>Yb<sup>3+</sup>:YVO<sub>4</sub> (yttrium orthovanadate doped with ytterbium) crystal, inside a microwave transmission line. For transduction experiments, the device is placed inside a dilution fridge and cooled to  $\approx 1$  K.

<sup>171</sup>Yb<sup>3+</sup>, the active species in transduction, has a nuclear spin  $I = 1/2$  and electron spin  $S = 1/2$ . The energy levels of <sup>171</sup>Yb<sup>3+</sup> form electronic quadruplets that are non-degenerate (Zeeman-split) in the presence of an external magnetic field. The four levels relevant to the model are the upper two levels of the <sup>2</sup>F<sub>7/2</sub> quadruplet ( $|1\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle$ ) and the lower two levels of the <sup>2</sup>F<sub>5/2</sub> quadruplet ( $|3\rangle$  and  $|4\rangle$ ), which are separated by microwave transitions within a quadruplet and by near-infrared optical transitions between the quadruplets.

Transduction experiments in Reference [3] consisted of an optical pump at  $\omega_p$  that was swept between and around the  $\omega_{13}$  and  $\omega_{23}$  transition frequencies and a continuous microwave drive at  $\omega_\mu$  that was swept around the  $\omega_{34}$  transition frequencies, producing an optical output signal at  $\omega_o = \omega_p + \omega_\mu$  through the  $|4\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$  and  $|4\rangle \rightarrow |2\rangle$  relaxations that is measured and recorded. Examples of these recorded transduction signal strengths are shown in Figure 3.2.

This experimental data is used (in Section 3.7) to benchmark the model, specifically a dataset

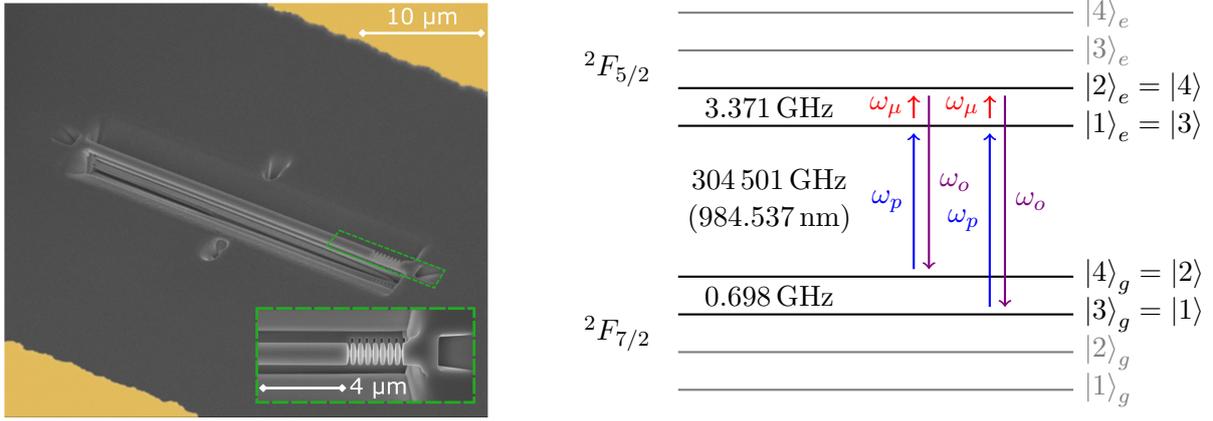


Figure 3.1: **Left** The transduction device in Reference [3], consisting of a suspended optical waveguide constructed of  $^{171}\text{Yb}^{3+}:\text{YVO}_4$ , terminating at a Bragg reflector so that signals enter and exit at the same end. Image credit: Reference [3]. **Right** The four-level system in  $^{171}\text{Yb}^{3+}:\text{YVO}_4$  used, annotated with transition frequencies at  $B_z = 2.09$  mT and with signal frequencies  $\omega_\mu$ ,  $\omega_p$ , and  $\omega_o$  of the transduction experiments. Shown in grey are the unused levels of the electronic quadruplets.

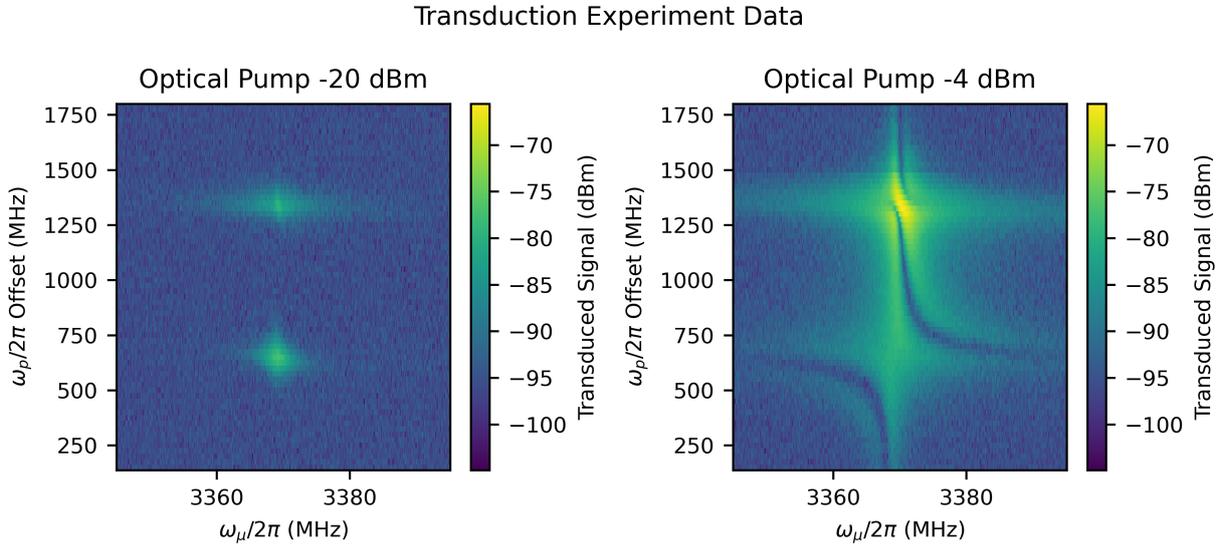


Figure 3.2: Experimental transduction signals measured by sweeping  $\omega_p$  and  $\omega_\mu$ . Left shows data captured using a weak optical pump in which the transduction signal consists of simple bright spots near the atomic transition frequencies (One for  $\omega_p = \omega_{13}$  and one for  $\omega_p = \omega_{23}$ ). Right shows data captured with a strong optical pump, which exhibits nontrivial structure with thin curve-like features. Data credit: Bartholomew et. al. (unpublished).

that overlaps with the data published in Reference [3], but that also includes some unpublished data<sup>1</sup>. This dataset consists of frequency scans for optical pump powers ranging from  $-40$  dBm to  $-4$  dBm inclusive. Published in Reference [3] are experimental data in a weak optical pump regime in which the transduction signal simply consists of two spots around the two optical transition frequencies, which can be modelled as two separate three-level V-systems that do not significantly interact with each other. However, the unpublished data is in a strong optical pump regime in which the transduction signal contains features that stretch between both optical transitions. Reproducing these features was a goal of my modelling, and this requires a full four-level model.

<sup>1</sup>Given to me by my supervisor who is the lead author of Reference [3]

### 3.2 Driven Atom Hamiltonian

The effect of the optical pump is represented by Rabi frequencies  $\Omega_{13}$  and  $\Omega_{23}$  on those respective transitions, because both are driven by the one pump.  $\Omega_\mu$  is the Rabi frequency of the microwave drive on the  $|3\rangle \rightarrow |4\rangle$  transition. Additionally, I include Rabi frequencies  $\Omega_{14}$  and  $\Omega_{24}$  to represent re-absorption of the emitted light by the atoms, possibly due to some back-reflection or weak cavity-like behaviour in the waveguide. Alternatively, these terms could be used in future modelling work for four-level atoms in cavities. Putting these together using blocks of Equation 1.13, the driven atom Hamiltonian in a static frame is

$$\hat{H}_{\text{static}}(\omega'_{12}, \omega'_{13}, \omega'_{14}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \Omega_{13}^* e^{i\omega_p t} & \Omega_{14}^* e^{i\omega_o t} \\ 0 & \omega'_{12} & \Omega_{23}^* e^{i\omega_p t} & \Omega_{24}^* e^{i\omega_o t} \\ \Omega_{13} e^{-i\omega_p t} & \Omega_{23} e^{-i\omega_p t} & \omega'_{13} & \Omega_\mu^* e^{i\omega_\mu t} \\ \Omega_{14} e^{-i\omega_o t} & \Omega_{24} e^{-i\omega_o t} & \Omega_\mu e^{-i\omega_\mu t} & \omega'_{14} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.1)$$

where  $\omega'_{ij} = \omega_{ij} - \delta_{ij}$  is, as in Subsection 2.3.1, the  $|i\rangle \rightarrow |j\rangle$  transition frequency of the atom, which is different for each atom because of inhomogeneous broadening. A unitary transformation to a frame co-rotating with the signals gives a time-independent Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \Omega_{13}^* & \Omega_{14}^* \\ 0 & \omega'_{12} & \Omega_{23}^* & \Omega_{24}^* \\ \Omega_{13} & \Omega_{23} & \delta'_p & \Omega_\mu^* \\ \Omega_{14} & \Omega_{24} & \Omega_\mu & \delta'_p + \delta'_\mu \end{bmatrix} \quad (3.2)$$

which is expressed in terms of detuning variables

$$\delta'_p = \omega'_{13} - \omega_p = \delta_p - \delta_{13} \quad (3.3)$$

$$\delta'_\mu = \omega'_{34} - \omega_\mu = \delta_\mu - \delta_{34}. \quad (3.4)$$

The Master equation for the atoms is then

$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}}{dt} =: \mathcal{L}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)\hat{\rho} = -i[\hat{H}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu), \hat{\rho}] + \mathcal{L}_{\text{dec}}(\delta_{12}, \delta_{34})\hat{\rho} \quad (3.5)$$

where the decoherence operator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{dec}}\hat{\rho} &= \mathcal{L}_{12}\hat{\rho} + \mathcal{L}_{13}\hat{\rho} + \mathcal{L}_{14}\hat{\rho} + \mathcal{L}_{23}\hat{\rho} + \mathcal{L}_{24}\hat{\rho} + \mathcal{L}_{2d}\hat{\rho} + \mathcal{L}_{3d}\hat{\rho} + \mathcal{L}_{4d}\hat{\rho} \\ \mathcal{L}_{ij}\hat{\rho} &= \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma_{ij}(n'_{ij} + 1)}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ij}\hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_{ji} - \hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_{jj} - \hat{\sigma}_{jj}\hat{\rho}) & i = 1, j = 2 \text{ or } i = 3, j = 4 \\ + \frac{\gamma_{ij}n'_{ij}}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ji}\hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_{ij} - \hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_{ii} - \hat{\sigma}_{ii}\hat{\rho}) & \\ \frac{\gamma_{ij}}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ij}\hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_{ji} - \hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_j - \hat{\sigma}_{jj}\hat{\rho}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \mathcal{L}_{id}\hat{\rho} &= \frac{\gamma_{id}}{2} (2\hat{\sigma}_{ii}\hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_{ii} - \hat{\rho}\hat{\sigma}_{ii} - \hat{\sigma}_{ii}\hat{\rho}) \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

is analogous to that of Equation 2.16, and depends on the microwave transition shifts via the thermal excitation counts of the microwave transition frequencies  $n'_{12}$  and  $n'_{34}$ . The steady-state density matrix  $\hat{\rho}_{SS}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$  can then be found by solving the linear system of the Master equation. In practice, I do this via the real version of the Master equation, as in Equation 2.24, because an  $\mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$  system of equations is faster to solve than a  $\mathbb{C}^{4 \times 4}$  system.

### 3.3 Atomic Output

Adapting from Equation 1.19, the input-output relation for a transition  $|i\rangle \leftrightarrow |j\rangle$  of some atom is, up to some phase convention,

$$\hat{a}_{\text{out},ij} = -\hat{a}_{\text{in},ij} + \sqrt{\gamma_{ij,c}}\hat{\sigma}_{ij} \quad (3.7)$$

where  $\gamma_{ij,c} \leq \gamma_{ij}$  is the relaxation rate of the atomic transition through coupling to the waveguide. To form a semiclassical approximation, I replace  $\hat{a}_{\text{out},ij} \rightarrow \alpha_{\text{out},ij}$ , as well as  $\hat{a}_{\text{in},ij} \rightarrow \alpha_{\text{in},ij} = 0$  because the expectation value of the input is already captured by the Rabi frequencies on the atom Hamiltonian, and  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij} \rightarrow \rho_{ji,SS}$  where I take the steady state, obtaining

$$\alpha_{\text{out},ij}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu) = \sqrt{\gamma_{ij,c}} \rho_{SS,ji}. \quad (3.8)$$

The output power from a given transition, then, is

$$P_{\text{atom},ij}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu) = \hbar\omega_o |\alpha_{\text{out},ij}|^2 = \hbar\omega_o \gamma_{ij,c} |\rho_{SS,ji}|^2. \quad (3.9)$$

Recall that there are two transitions producing output in this system,  $|1\rangle \leftrightarrow |4\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle \leftrightarrow |4\rangle$ . The output power from each transition cannot simply be summed to obtain the total atomic output power, because each transition's emission may have different phases, and so they may interfere with each other. Specifically, because this model assumes that the light-matter interactions are through the dipole mechanism, the output has a phase related to that of the matrix element

$$d_{ij} = \langle i | \hat{d}_{\parallel} | j \rangle \quad (3.10)$$

of the component of the dipole moment operator parallel to the emission polarisation. To capture this, I re-express the atomic relaxation rates in terms of complex numbers  $C_{ij}$  for which

$$|C_{ij}|^2 = \gamma_{ij,c} \quad (3.11)$$

$$\arg C_{ij} = \arg d_{ij}. \quad (3.12)$$

Thus, the total atomic output power is

$$P_{\text{atom}}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu) = \hbar\omega_o |C_{14}\rho_{SS,41} + C_{24}\rho_{SS,42}|^2 =: \hbar\omega_o \Gamma_{\text{atom}} \quad (3.13)$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu) = |C_{14}\rho_{SS,41} + C_{24}\rho_{SS,42}|^2 \quad (3.14)$$

where  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}$  is the photon emission rate from the atom.

### 3.4 Ensemble Output

The total power  $P(\delta_p, \delta_\mu)$  from the ensemble can be found as an integral of the single atom power  $P_{\text{atom}}(\delta_{12}, \delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$  over the inhomogeneous distribution

$$P(\delta_p, \delta_\mu) = N \iiint p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{13}, \delta_{34}) P_{\text{atom}}(\delta_{12}, \delta_p - \delta_{13}, \delta_\mu - \delta_{34}) d\delta_{12} d\delta_{13} d\delta_{34} \quad (3.15)$$

$$= \hbar\omega_o N \iiint p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{13}, \delta_{34}) \Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta_{12}, \delta_p - \delta_{13}, \delta_\mu - \delta_{34}) d\delta_{12} d\delta_{13} d\delta_{34} \quad (3.16)$$

where  $p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{13}, \delta_{34})$  is the PDF of the inhomogeneous distribution. I then make the approximation that the inhomogeneous shifts are much smaller than the transition frequencies  $|\delta_{ij}| \ll \omega_{ij}$ .  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}$  depends on  $\delta_{12}$  only via the shifted transition frequency  $\omega'_{12}$ , and in this approximation  $\omega'_{12} \approx \omega_{12}$ , and so  $\delta_{12}$  can be ignored. This is not true of the other shifts  $\delta_{13}$  and  $\delta_{34}$  because  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}$  depends on them directly. In this approximation, then,

$$P(\delta_p, \delta_\mu) = \hbar\omega_o N \iint p(\delta_{13}, \delta_{34}) \Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta_p - \delta_{13}, \delta_\mu - \delta_{34}) d\delta_{13} d\delta_{34} \quad (3.17)$$

$$= \hbar(\omega_{14} - \delta_p - \delta_\mu) N (p * \Gamma_{\text{atom}}) \quad (3.18)$$

where  $p(\delta_{13}, \delta_{34}) = \int p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{13}, \delta_{34}) d\delta_{12}$  is a marginal PDF, and  $\omega_o$  has been re-expressed explicitly in terms of the detuning variables. Thus, numerically evaluating a grid of  $P(\delta_p, \delta_\mu)$  is a matter of first evaluating a grid of  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$  and then convolving it with a grid of  $p(\delta_{13}, \delta_{34})$ , which is much cheaper computationally than evaluating the integral in Equation 3.15 (or even Equation 3.17) using numerical quadrature because convolutions can be evaluated using Fast Fourier Transform. Furthermore, in the experiments that I am modelling,  $|\delta_p|, |\delta_\mu| \ll \omega_{14}$ , and so the expression for  $\omega_o$  in Equation 3.18 simplifies to

$$P = \hbar\omega_{14} N (p * \Gamma_{\text{atom}}). \quad (3.19)$$

## 3.5 Numerical Methods

As can be seen in Figure 3.2, there are thin curve-like features in the transduction signal. When evaluating a grid of  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}$ , these curve features may be subject to grid *aliasing*, in which the relative alignment of the features with the grid points result in unphysical structure in the resulting grid of  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}$  values, which is then blown up in  $P$  by convolution. In this section, I describe the methods I use to implement the model in a manner that is robust to grid aliasing while being computationally cheaper than simply using a finer grid.

### 3.5.1 Grid Aliasing

A mathematical description of grid aliasing is as follows. Letting  $\Delta_{13}$  and  $\Delta_{34}$  be the grid spacing of the discretised convolution kernel  $p$ , the discretised convolution in Equation 3.19 is

$$P(\delta_p, \delta_\mu) \approx \hbar\omega_{14}N \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathbb{Z}^2} p(i\Delta_{13}, j\Delta_{34}) \Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta_p - i\Delta_{13}, \delta_\mu - j\Delta_{34}) \quad (3.20)$$

$$= \iint \underbrace{p(\delta_{13}, \delta_{34}) \text{III}_{\Delta_{13}}(\delta_{13}) \text{III}_{\Delta_{34}}(\delta_{34})}_{\text{convolution kernel}} \Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta_p - \delta_{13}, \delta_\mu - \delta_{34}) d\delta_{13} d\delta_{34} \quad (3.21)$$

where  $\text{III}_T(x)$  is a Dirac comb of period  $T$ . This means that discretising the convolution in Equation 3.19 is equivalent to discretising the kernel into a weighted Dirac comb. Convoluting with this kernel, unlike the original kernel, does not smooth out curve features, but merely displaces them, which is precisely the aliasing mentioned earlier. However, if our grid of  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}$  contained the integral within the neighbourhood of a grid point instead of just the value at the grid point itself, the discretised convolution would be

$$P(\delta_p, \delta_\mu) \approx \hbar\omega_{14}N \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathbb{Z}^2} p(i\Delta_{13}, j\Delta_{34}) \int_{i-1/2}^{i+1/2} \int_{j-1/2}^{j+1/2} \Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta_p - i'\Delta_{13}, \delta_\mu - j'\Delta_{34}) di' dj' \quad (3.22)$$

$$= \iint \underbrace{p([i]\Delta_{13}, [j]\Delta_{34})}_{\text{convolution kernel}} \Gamma_{\text{atom}}(\delta_p - i\Delta_{13}, \delta_\mu - j\Delta_{34}) didj \quad (3.23)$$

where  $[x]$  is the rounding of  $x$  to the nearest integer. This convolution kernel is a step function, which is both closer to the original kernel than a weighted Dirac comb, and smooths out curve features because it is finite everywhere. Evaluating this integral within a neighbourhood for every grid point, however, is equivalent to simply evaluating the discrete convolution with a finer grid, which is the trivial way to deal with aliasing. Instead, my approach is to determine which neighbourhoods contain curve features, and replace only those grid points' values with integrals.

### 3.5.2 Feature Finding

To find which neighbourhoods contain curve features, it suffices to simply identify the points of intersection of these features with the edges of neighbourhoods, so that any neighbourhood lying on such an edge contains a curve feature<sup>2</sup>. This is illustrated in Figure 3.3. For an  $n \times m$  grid, this process allows all  $nm$  neighbourhoods of grid points to be tested for feature presence by testing only the  $(n+1)(m+1)$  lines that form edges between them.

As mentioned in Subsection 2.3.2, Reference [2] identified that curve features occur where the discriminant of the characteristic polynomial of the atom Hamiltonian

$$\Delta(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu) = \text{Disc}_\lambda \left( \det \left( \hat{H}(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu) - \lambda \hat{\mathbf{1}} \right) \right) \quad (3.24)$$

<sup>2</sup>Alternatively, curve features could be closed loops contained entirely within that single neighbourhood. I have not observed closed loop features in practice, and even if they do exist, a grid that is coarse enough to contain an entire such loop within a single point's neighbourhood is too coarse to be very useful.

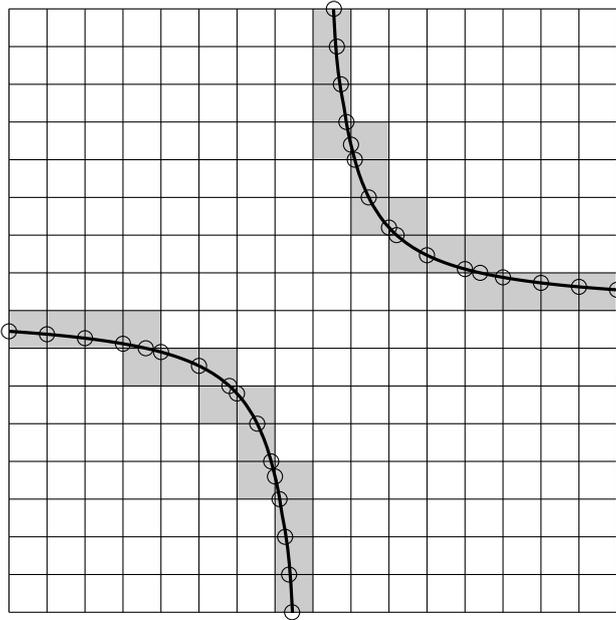


Figure 3.3: An illustration of feature finding. The grid squares are neighbourhoods around grid points, and the thick curves represent the features we want to find. The intersections of the feature curves with the neighbourhood edges are shown by circles, and the neighbourhoods containing these features are highlighted grey.

has its roots. Because the Hamiltonian is Hermitian and therefore its characteristic polynomial has exclusively real roots, this discriminant is uniformly non-negative. This means all roots of the discriminant are ‘partial’ (single-variable) local minima, and it is more numerically stable to identify partial local minima via roots of the discriminant’s partial derivative than to directly find roots of the discriminant itself[34]. Reference [2] used generic numerical root-finding, but I instead use polynomial-specific root-finding that uses the polynomial coefficients of  $\Delta(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$  and its partial derivatives. This has the advantage of finding all roots rather than just one.

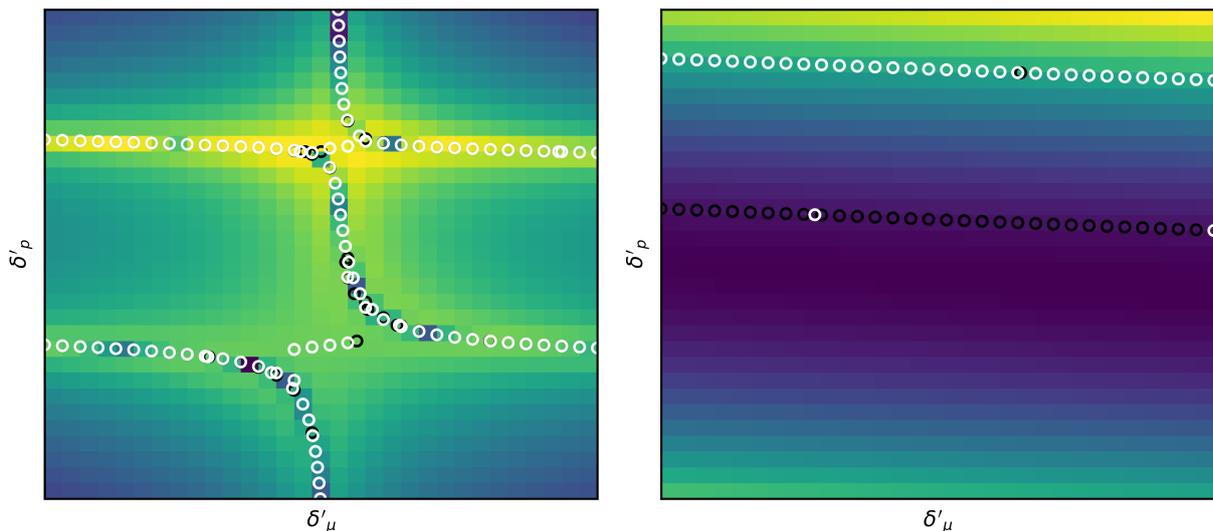


Figure 3.4:  $\Gamma_{\text{atom}}$  grids with curve feature intersections identified by along-edge partial local minima (white circles) and across-edge partial local minima (black circles). Left has the same domain as Figure 3.2 and shows aliasing artefacts along curve features, and right is a close-up around a curve feature, showing duplicate identification and misalignment from the feature’s centre.

The procedure is as follows.

1. Precompute the bivariate polynomial coefficients of  $\Delta(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$ ,  $\frac{\partial\Delta}{\partial\delta'_p}(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2\Delta}{\partial\delta'_p^2}(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$ ,  $\frac{\partial\Delta}{\partial\delta'_\mu}(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$ , and  $\frac{\partial^2\Delta}{\partial\delta'_\mu^2}(\delta'_p, \delta'_\mu)$ , because only the detuning variables change over this process.
2. To find all the intersections along some  $\delta'_p$  edge (constant  $\delta'_\mu$ ), evaluate the univariate polynomial coefficients of  $\frac{\partial\Delta}{\partial\delta'_p}(\delta'_p)$  for the edge's  $\delta'_\mu$ , and perform root-finding with them to find all critical points of  $\Delta(\delta'_p)$ .
3. Evaluate  $\Delta$  at each critical point. Critical points whose values of  $\Delta$  are smaller than those of their immediately adjacent critical points are local minima and are therefore taken to be curve feature intersections.
4. Evaluate the polynomial coefficients of  $\frac{\partial\Delta}{\partial\delta'_\mu}(\delta'_p)$  and use them to find critical points of  $\Delta(\delta'_\mu)$ .
5. Evaluate the polynomial coefficients of  $\frac{\partial^2\Delta}{\partial\delta'_\mu^2}(\delta'_p)$  and use them to perform the second derivative test  $\frac{\partial^2\Delta}{\partial\delta'_\mu^2} \geq 0$  for each critical point of  $\Delta(\delta'_\mu)$  to identify local minima.

This process is repeated for each  $\delta'_p$  edge, and then vice-versa ( $\delta'_p$  and  $\delta'_\mu$  swapped) for all  $\delta'_\mu$  edges (constant  $\delta'_p$ ).

For each of the two edge directions, both partial local minima along the edge and perpendicular to the edge are identified by this procedure. However, there is an asymmetry between these in that the former use direct comparisons between critical points and the latter use a second derivative test; the latter is to avoid having to evaluate extra  $\Delta$  values outside the edge being tested. Furthermore, the second derivative test is done inclusive of exact equality in order to err on the side of false positives rather than false negatives.

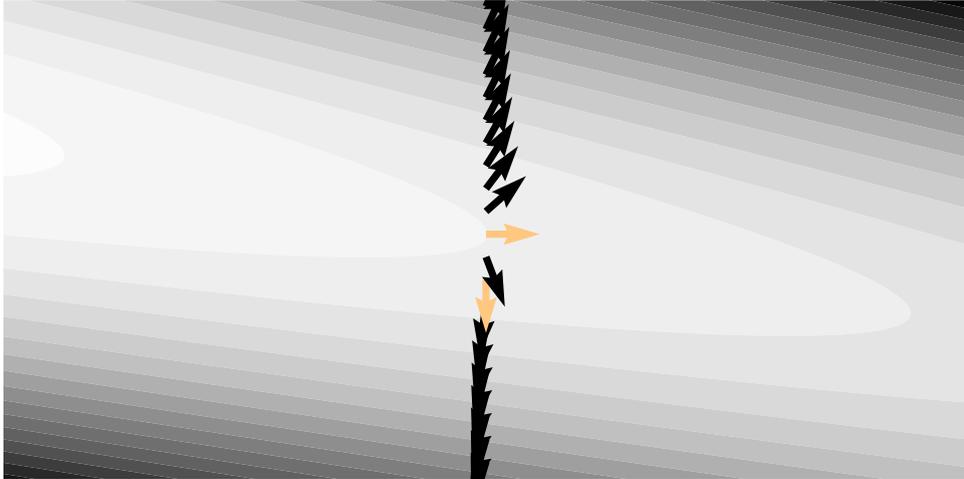


Figure 3.5: Around a curve feature,  $\Delta$  often takes the shape of a ‘trench’ which is non-constant at its bottom. When scanning the gradient (arrows) of  $\Delta$  in such a region, the gradient flips around on either side, but it is not zero at any point, and so it rotates through the parallel and perpendicular (orange arrows), resulting in this curve feature being found twice.

As is shown by Figure 3.4, this procedure successfully identifies curve features that produce aliasing artefacts. Additionally, there are curve feature intersections that are found only by the across-edge test, and not the along-edge test, and so this test is necessary to find all grid point neighbourhoods containing curve features. Checking both parallel and perpendicular partial local minima, however, has the side effect of causing many curve features to be identified twice, but this has no effect beyond slightly increasing computational cost. The reasons for this are explained in Figure 3.5. Additionally, these partial local minima are often very slightly misaligned from the actual curve features, by an amount that is much smaller than most useful grid spacings, and that therefore does not have any significant effect on the final results of this process.

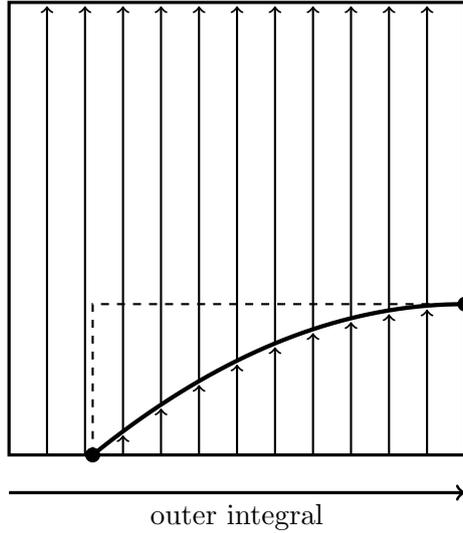


Figure 3.6: The integration within a single grid point's neighbourhood. The curve feature has an axis-aligned bounding box (dashed) computed from its edge intersections (filled circles) that is wider than it is tall proportional to the neighbourhood's dimensions, and so the outer integral is horizontal and the inner integral (which is represented by the vertical arrows) is vertical. The inner integral's domain is split at curve feature intersections (and surrounding points, which are not shown here).

### 3.5.3 Neighbourhood Integration

Once the points whose neighbourhoods contain curve features are identified, the integral within the neighbourhood must be evaluated using some numerical quadrature scheme. To do this, I use the discriminant once again to perform importance sampling along an inner integral, using Gauss-Lobatto quadrature, as in Reference [2]. For each intersection point, the inner integral's domain is split at intersections with curve features, as well as at addition points surrounding the intersections, with each interval between splits evaluated using a separate instance of Gauss-Lobatto quadrature. If the inner integral is along  $\delta'_p$ , then for each curve intersection  $\delta'_p^{(*)}$ , the split points are  $\delta'_p^{(*)}$  itself,  $\delta'_p^{(*)} \pm \gamma_{ph}$ ,  $\delta'_p^{(*)} \pm 3\gamma_{ph}$ , and  $\delta'_p^{(*)} \pm 10\gamma_{ph}$ , where  $\gamma_{ph} = \gamma_{3d}$  is used as an estimate of the homogeneous linewidth and therefore the thickness of the curve feature. If the inner integral is along  $\delta'_\mu$ , the split points from each intersection  $\delta'_\mu^{(*)}$  are the intersection itself as well as  $\delta'_\mu^{(*)} \pm \gamma_{\mu h}$ ,  $\delta'_\mu^{(*)} \pm 3\gamma_{\mu h}$ , and  $\delta'_\mu^{(*)} \pm 10\gamma_{\mu h}$ , where  $\gamma_{\mu h} = \gamma_{3d} + \gamma_{4d}$ . Split points outside the bounds of the integral (the neighbourhood edges) are excluded.

Reference [2] chose the inner and outer integral axes arbitrarily, but the outer integral would ideally be as close to parallel to the curve feature as possible, because that minimises the distance along the curve between sample points. To handle this, I re-use the curve intersection data computed in the previous step to find an axis-aligned bounding box for the curve feature inside the neighbourhood, and let the outer integral axis be the axis along which this bounding box takes up the largest fraction of the neighbourhood's size (Figure 3.6).

## 3.6 Experimental Parameters for Model

To summarise, this model requires as input the following parameters:

- Microwave transition frequencies  $\omega_{12}$  and  $\omega_{34}$
- Rabi frequencies  $\Omega_{13}$ ,  $\Omega_{23}$ ,  $\Omega_{14}$ ,  $\Omega_{24}$ , and  $\Omega_\mu$
- Microwave transition relaxation lifetimes  $\tau_{12}$  and  $\tau_{34}$  and operating temperature  $T$
- Optical transition relaxation rates  $\gamma_{13}$ ,  $\gamma_{23}$ ,  $\gamma_{14}$ , and  $\gamma_{24}$

- Optical output waveguide couplings  $C_{14}$  and  $C_{24}$
- Inhomogeneous PDF  $p(\delta_{13}, \delta_{34})$
- Atom count  $N$  and optical transition frequency  $\omega_{14}$ .

$N$  merely scales the output signal power uniformly, and therefore does not need much precision, and can be found through trial and error. Reference [3] quotes an estimate for the operating temperature of  $T \approx 1$  K, and a microwave Rabi frequency  $\Omega_\mu = 2\pi \times 1$  MHz.

### 3.6.1 Inhomogeneous Broadening

Reference [3] specifies the inhomogeneous distribution as Gaussian with standard deviations  $\Gamma_{\text{ih},o} \approx 200$  MHz for optical transitions and  $\Gamma_{\text{ih},\mu} \approx 130$  kHz for microwave transitions, with a correlation slope of  $-120$  (optical/microwave) between them. Using the formula

$$\text{slope} := \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{\sigma_{xy}}{\sigma_x^2} \quad (3.25)$$

gives a covariance of  $-2.028$  MHz<sup>2</sup>, and so the inhomogeneous PDF is that of the bivariate normal distribution

$$p\left(\boldsymbol{\delta} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_{13} \\ \delta_{34} \end{bmatrix}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \det \Sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\delta}^T \Sigma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\delta}\right) \quad (3.26)$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} (200 \text{ MHz})^2 & -2.028 \text{ MHz}^2 \\ -2.028 \text{ MHz}^2 & (130 \text{ kHz})^2 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (3.27)$$

### 3.6.2 Spin Hamiltonian

To find the remaining parameters, I make use of the spin Hamiltonians[35] of the two electronic quadruplets in this system

$$\hat{H}_{g,e} = \mu_B \mathbf{B}^T g_{g,e} \hat{\mathbf{S}} + \hat{\mathbf{I}}^T A_{g,e} \hat{\mathbf{S}} \quad (3.28)$$

where subscripts  $g$  and  $e$  are indices indicating the ground ( $^2F_{7/2}$ ) and excited ( $^2F_{5/2}$ ) multiplets respectively,  $g_{g,e}$  are Zeeman interaction tensors, and  $A_{g,e}$  are hyperfine interaction tensors.  $\mathbf{B}$  is the external magnetic field,  $\hat{\mathbf{S}} = [\hat{S}_x, \hat{S}_y, \hat{S}_z]^T$  is the electron spin operator and  $\hat{\mathbf{I}} = [\hat{I}_x, \hat{I}_y, \hat{I}_z]^T$  is the nuclear spin operator. The symmetry of the crystal site occupied by ytterbium ions<sup>3</sup> means that the  $g_{g,e}$  and  $A_{g,e}$  tensors have two eigenvalues, one unique (multiplicity 1) and one non-unique (multiplicity 2). Denoting the unique eigenvalues as  $g_{\parallel g,e}$  and  $A_{\parallel g,e}$  and the non-unique eigenvalues as  $g_{\perp g,e}$  and  $A_{\perp g,e}$ , Equation 3.28 expands into

$$\hat{H}_{g,e} = \mu_B [g_{\perp g,e} (B_x \hat{S}_x + B_y \hat{S}_y) + g_{\parallel g,e} B_z \hat{S}_z] + A_{\perp g,e} (\hat{I}_x \hat{S}_x + \hat{I}_y \hat{S}_y) + A_{\parallel g,e} \hat{I}_z \hat{S}_z \quad (3.29)$$

where it is assumed without generality that  $z$  is the unique axis and  $x$  and  $y$  are the non-unique axes<sup>4</sup>. The magnetic field in the benchmarking dataset is  $\mathbf{B} = [0, 0, 2.09 \text{ mT}]^T$ , of which the only nonzero component is  $B_z$ , but the other components are kept for later calculations regarding magnetic field noise. The interaction tensor elements are shown in Table 3.1.

### 3.6.3 Transition Frequencies

The eigenvectors of  $\hat{H}_g$  are the four levels of the multiplet (Figure 3.1), and so the transition frequencies within a multiplet are simply the difference of the corresponding eigenvalues, which gives us

$$\omega_{12} = \langle 2 | \hat{H}_g | 2 \rangle - \langle 1 | \hat{H}_g | 1 \rangle \quad (3.30)$$

$$\omega_{34} = \langle 4 | \hat{H}_e | 4 \rangle - \langle 3 | \hat{H}_e | 3 \rangle \quad (3.31)$$

where  $\hat{H}_{g,e}$  are evaluated with  $B_z = 2.09$  mT. At zero magnetic field[3],  $\omega_{13} = 2\pi \times 304\,501.0$  GHz, and because this is only used to calculate the scale of the output energy (via  $\omega_{14} = \omega_{12} + \omega_{23} + \omega_{34}$ ), this is a good enough approximation of the value at  $B_z = 2.09$  mT.

<sup>3</sup>In the usual crystallography notation, this is the  $D_{2d}$  symmetry group

<sup>4</sup>In the usual crystallography notation,  $c \parallel z$

Parameter	Value
$g_{\perp g}$	0.85
$g_{\parallel g}$	-6.08
$g_{\perp e}$	1.7
$g_{\parallel e}$	2.51
$A_{\perp g}$	$2\pi \times 675$ MHz
$A_{\parallel g}$	$2\pi \times -4.82$ GHz
$A_{\perp e}$	$2\pi \times 3.37$ GHz
$A_{\parallel e}$	$2\pi \times 4.86$ GHz

Table 3.1: Interaction tensor elements of the spin Hamiltonian in Equation 3.29.  $g_{\perp g}$  and  $g_{\parallel g}$  are from Reference [36], and the remaining values are from Reference [35].

### 3.6.4 Dephasing Rates

If we assume that magnetic field noise, which would be caused by the nuclear spin flips in the yttrium and vanadium of the host crystal, is the dominant source of dephasing in this system, then the dephasing rates are proportional to

$$\gamma_{id} \propto \left\| \frac{d\omega_{1i}}{d\mathbf{B}} \right\|^2. \quad (3.32)$$

The transition frequency is

$$\omega_{1i} = \langle i | \hat{H}_{g,e} | i \rangle - \langle 1 | \hat{H}_g | 1 \rangle \quad (3.33)$$

where the index on the first  $\hat{H}_{g,e}$  is  $g$  if  $i = 2$  and  $e$  if  $i \in \{3, 4\}$ . Substituting Equation 3.29 and differentiating, we obtain

$$\gamma_{id} \propto \left\| g_{g,e} \langle i | \hat{\mathbf{S}} | i \rangle - g_g \langle 1 | \hat{\mathbf{S}} | 1 \rangle \right\|^2 \quad (3.34)$$

where the index on the first  $g_{g,e}$  is the same index as the one on  $\hat{H}_{g,e}$ . In practice,  $\hat{S}_z$  is the only nonzero component of  $\hat{\mathbf{S}}$  when restricting these operators to the  $(|1\rangle, |2\rangle, |3\rangle, |4\rangle)$  basis, and so Equation 3.34 becomes

$$\gamma_{id} \propto \left| g_{\parallel g,e} \langle i | \hat{S}_z | i \rangle - g_{\parallel g} \langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 1 \rangle \right|^2. \quad (3.35)$$

### 3.6.5 Dipole Moments

The remaining parameters are proportional to dipole moment matrix elements. These include the atomic coupling depolarisation rates

$$\gamma_{ij,c} \propto \mathbf{d}_{ij} = \left\| \langle i | \hat{\mathbf{d}} | j \rangle \right\|^2 \quad (3.36)$$

as well as, from Equation 1.14,

$$\Omega_{ij} \propto d_{\parallel ij} \quad (3.37)$$

where  $d_{\parallel ij}$  is the component of  $\mathbf{d}_{ij}$  parallel to the drive polarisation. In this system, both electric and magnetic dipoles are proportional to electron spin

$$\hat{\mathbf{d}} \propto \hat{\mathbf{S}}, \quad (3.38)$$

and so the spin Hamiltonian can once again be used. First of all, Equation 3.37 gives a ratio

$$\frac{\Omega_{13}}{\Omega_{23}} = \frac{\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle}{\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle} \quad (3.39)$$

between the optical pump Rabi frequencies, where the fact that  $\hat{S}_z$  is the only nonzero spin component has once again been used. The remaining optical Rabi frequencies are set to zero ( $\Omega_{14} = 0 = \Omega_{24}$ ) because the transduction efficiencies in the benchmarking dataset are quite low ( $< 10^{-5}$ ). Second,

from Reference [35],  $\gamma_{14}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) = 1.4$  kHz and  $\gamma_{23}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) = 1.3$  kHz, and optical transitions  $|1\rangle \leftrightarrow |3\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle \leftrightarrow |4\rangle$  are forbidden at zero magnetic field. In terms of the spin operators, these forbidden transitions are reflected by the fact that

$$\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) | 4 \rangle = -\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) | 3 \rangle \neq 0 \quad (3.40)$$

$$\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) | 3 \rangle = \langle 2 | \hat{S}_z(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) | 4 \rangle = 0. \quad (3.41)$$

The fact that dipole-forbidden transitions have depolarisation rates much lower than dipole-permitted transitions shows that these optical depolarisations happen predominantly through dipole emission, and so I set  $\gamma_{ij} = \gamma_{ij,c}$ . At  $B_z = 2.09$  mT,  $\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle = \langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 4 \rangle$  take on a small nonzero value, and  $\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 4 \rangle = -\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle$  decrease in magnitude as the levels hybridise. Using Equation 3.36,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{14} &= \frac{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 4 \rangle|^2}{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) | 4 \rangle|^2} \gamma_{14}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) \\ \gamma_{23} &= \frac{|\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle|^2}{|\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) | 3 \rangle|^2} \gamma_{23}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) \\ \gamma_{13} &= \frac{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle|^2}{|\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle|^2} \gamma_{23} \\ \gamma_{24} &= \frac{|\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 4 \rangle|^2}{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 4 \rangle|^2} \gamma_{23} \end{aligned} \quad (3.42)$$

and  $C_{14}$  and  $C_{24}$  are set accordingly by Equations 3.11 and 3.12. From Reference [37],  $\tau_{12}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) = 54$  ms, and so

$$\tau_{12} = \frac{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) | 2 \rangle|^2}{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 2 \rangle|^2} \tau_{12}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}). \quad (3.43)$$

In the absence of data on  $\tau_{34}$ , I set it to 10 ms, to match the order of magnitude of  $\tau_{12}$ .

### 3.6.6 Optical Pump Calibration

From Equation 1.14,  $\Omega_{23} \propto \sqrt{P}$  where  $P$  is the pump power. The equation for this proportionality, appropriately calibrated, is

$$\Omega_{23} = \frac{\Omega_{23,\text{ref}} \sqrt{\eta}}{\sqrt{P_{\text{ref}}}} \sqrt{P} \quad (3.44)$$

where  $(\Omega_{23,\text{ref}}, P_{\text{ref}})$  is some known ‘reference’ Rabi frequency-power pair for calibration, and  $\eta$  is the efficiency with which power from the source makes it into the waveguide. Reference [3] contains a frequency-power pair ( $\Omega_{23,\text{ref}} = 2\pi \times 6$  MHz,  $P_{\text{ref}} = 2$   $\mu$ W), and my supervisor provided data with which to calibrate the efficiency to  $\eta = 0.055$  (Appendix B).

## 3.7 Results

To evaluate the model, I computed power-frequency grids with frequency domain and input parameters corresponding to the experimental data. Because the model does not include the noise in the experimental apparatus, I add simulated noise to the computed power. This consists of random samples from the experimental frequency sweep with  $-40$  dBm optical pump power, which contains no discernible transduction signal, only noise. A comparison of the resultant power-frequency grids with experimental data is shown in Figure 3.7.

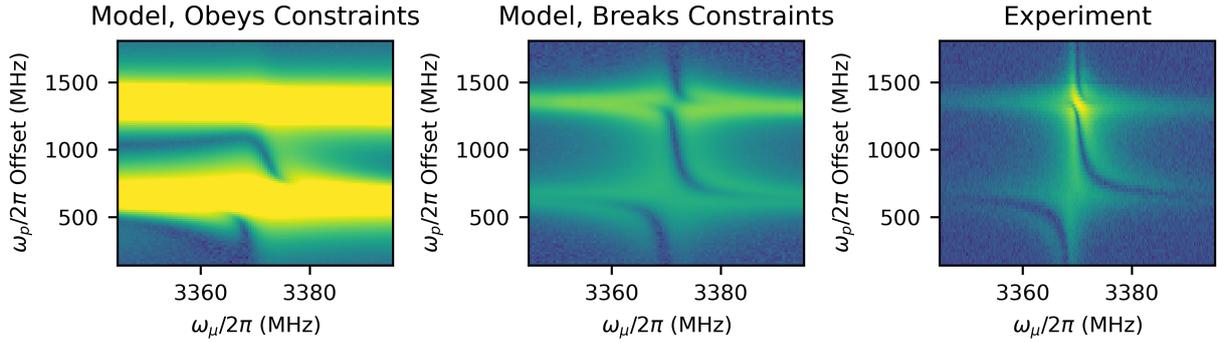


Figure 3.7: Power-frequency grids from the model when obeying the constraints found in Section 3.6 (left) and when disobeying those constraints (middle) as compared with the experimental data (right) shown in Figure 3.2, with optical pump power  $-4$  dBm. All three plots have the same frequency and colour scales. A simple noise model is used in this comparison.

After the analysis in Section 3.6, the remaining free parameters are  $N$  and  $\gamma_{2d}$ , as well as some leeway in adjusting  $\Omega_{23}$  since the calibration parameters  $\Omega_{23,\text{ref}}$  and  $P_{\text{ref}}$  have only one significant figure of precision. I adjusted these free parameters to find a set of parameters that best replicated the experimental data, which resulted in  $N = 1 \times 10^{14}$ ,  $\gamma_{2d} = 10$  kHz, and an adjustment to the  $\Omega_{23}$  calibration of  $P_{\text{ref}} = 1.7$   $\mu$ W.

This showed only superficial qualitative agreement, and so I next adjusted the parameters while breaking the constraints identified in Section 3.6, finding better agreement with  $N = 1 \times 10^{10}$ ,  $\tau_{12}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) = 1$   $\mu$ s, and a modified *optical hybridisation ratio*

$$\frac{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle|}{|\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 3 \rangle|} = \frac{|\langle 2 | \hat{S}_z | 4 \rangle|}{|\langle 1 | \hat{S}_z | 4 \rangle|} \approx 0.12 \rightarrow 0.38, \quad (3.45)$$

and all downstream variables  $\tau_{12}$ ,  $\gamma_{13}$ ,  $\gamma_{23}$ ,  $\gamma_{14}$ ,  $\gamma_{24}$ , and  $\Omega_{13}$  modified accordingly using Equations 3.43, 3.42, and 3.39, preserving the phase of  $\Omega_{13}/\Omega_{23}$ .

In both model grids, we see dark curve features, corresponding to destructive interference between the two output transitions, that span the distance between the two atomic transition frequencies  $\omega_{23}$  and  $\omega_{13}$ , which are also seen in the experimental data, and can only be produced by a model that accounts for all four levels and both output transitions simultaneously. However, their locations are much more accurate to the experimental data in the model grid evaluated using the constraint-breaking parameter set. Furthermore, the constraint-obeying grid has a dynamic range much greater than that of the experimental data, with the bright transduction signal oversaturating the colour scale (or else, by a downscaling of  $N$ , losing the dark features in the noise.), while the constraint-breaking grid gives much better quantitative agreement.

However, even the better of the two grids is not perfect. The main discrepancy is that the bright transduction signals are much broader than in the experimental data. Additionally, the region immediately surrounding  $(\omega_\mu, \omega_p) = (\omega_{34}, \omega_{13})$  is darker than its surroundings in the model grid, whereas the opposite is true in the experimental data. What is not problematic, however, is that the features in model grid are translated along the  $\delta_\mu$  axis (horizontal in the plot) compared to their locations in the experimental data; this shift is by an amount smaller than the uncertainty<sup>5</sup> on  $A_{\perp e} = \omega_{34}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}) = 2\pi \times 3.37$  GHz of  $\pm 2\pi \times 5$  MHz. Indeed, this model and experimental data could be used, in theory, to find a more precise estimate of that spin Hamiltonian parameter.

Given that the experimental parameters relevant to the model are not known with certainty, especially since parameters ostensibly constrained by theory must be modified to obtain good agreement with experiment, these discrepancies between model and experiment do not necessarily indicate deficiencies in the model. Instead, they might simply be the result of input parameters to the model not

<sup>5</sup>Implied by the number of significant figures

matching those used in the experiments that produced the benchmarking data.

### 3.7.1 Accounting for Constraint Breaking

In this subsection, I offer some possible explanations for why the true parameters of the benchmark experiment might be the constraint-breaking parameters that give good model-experiment agreement, and why they might be different to those calculated in Section 3.6.

#### Lifetime $\tau_{12}$

The depolarisation lifetime of a dipole transition depends not only on the dipole moment matrix element of the transition, which is a fundamental constant of the emitter, but also on the per-photon electromagnetic field strength, which depends on the environment surrounding the emitter, i.e. whether it is in free space, a waveguide, or a resonator, and the specific geometries of the latter two. Equivalently, and more commonly, this is expressed in terms of the local density of states (LDOS) around the emitter.

Reference [37], which measured  $\tau_{12}(\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0})$ , did so in a device different to that with which the experimental data was produced, and so this could potentially be source of this discrepancy.

#### Hybridisation Ratio

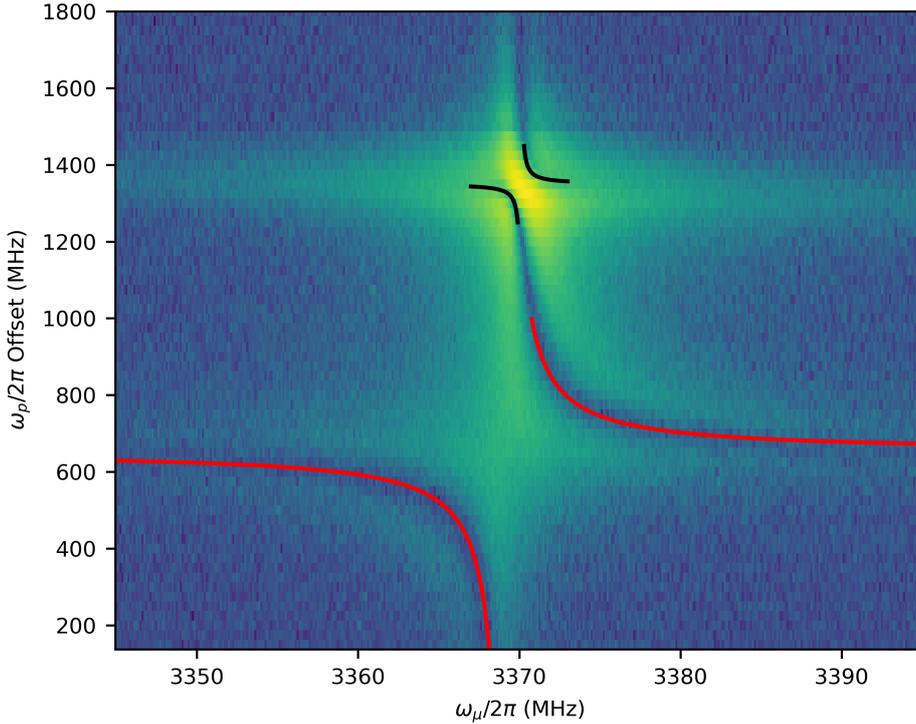


Figure 3.8: Manual axis-aligned hyperbola fits to the dark features surrounding the  $\omega_{13}$  and  $\omega_{23}$  transitions. The (red) hyperbola surrounding the  $\omega_{23}$  (lower) transition has a centre of (3369.2, 652) in the axis coordinates shown and a vertex-to-vertex distance of  $2\pi \times 66$  MHz. The (black) hyperbola surrounding the  $\omega_{13}$  (upper) transition has a centre of (3370.1, 1350) and a vertex-to-vertex distance of  $2\pi \times 12.6$  MHz. The ratio of these vertex-to-vertex distances is 0.19.

The hybridisation ratio of 0.38 was identified using the experimental data. Specifically, the hyperbolic dark features<sup>6</sup> surrounding the transition frequencies are expected from theory to have vertex-to-vertex distances proportional to the Rabi frequencies on the transitions[38]. Measuring these (Figure 3.8)

<sup>6</sup>Rabi splittings

yielded a ratio of 0.19. This does not produce a good fit in the model, but its double, 0.38, does; it is unclear why this factor of two is needed.

This leaves the question of why the hybridisation ratio is so large, compared to the value at  $B_z = 2.09$  mT of 0.12. One possibility would be that that magnetic field value is wrong, and the magnetic field is in fact much stronger than that. As Figure 3.9 shows, a value of  $B_z \approx 8$  mT would produce a hybridisation ratio of 0.38. However, such a strong magnetic field would create Zeeman shifts much larger than those observed in the experimental data, translating every feature by a substantial amount. Therefore, such a magnetic field strength is implausible.

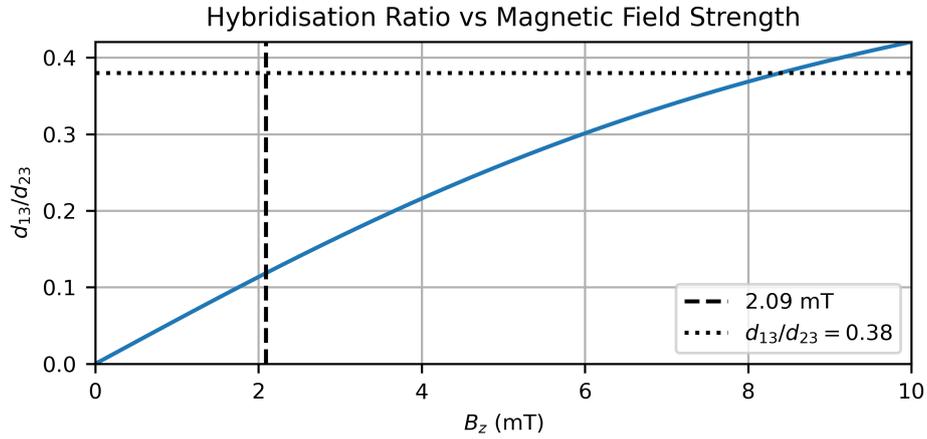


Figure 3.9: A plot of hybridisation ratio vs magnetic field strength  $B_z$ .  $B_z = 2.09$  mT (dashed vertical line) and hybridisation ratio  $\|\mathbf{d}_{13}\|^2 / \|\mathbf{d}_{23}\|^2 = 0.38$  (dotted horizontal line) are superimposed, with the latter intersecting the curve at about  $B_z \approx 8$  mT.

## Chapter 4

# Biphoton Generation in 3-Level Systems

This chapter describes original work on modelling the generation rate of photon pairs from biphoton generation in a three-level system, using both dynamical and steady-state models. This happens in the same type of atoms-in-cavity system as in Chapter 2, and this chapter begins by describing how I adapt the three-level transduction model of Reference [2] for biphoton generation. In addition to a steady-state model of the kind in Reference [2], I produce an approximation of the dynamical model which reduces the degrees of freedom to a number tractable to simulate. This chapter then presents results for both the steady-state and dynamical models. Unlike the four-level transduction model of Chapter 3, these results are not benchmarked against any specific experimental data.

### 4.1 Dynamical Model

Adapting from Equations 2.7, 2.8, 2.15, and 2.18, and using the  $\hat{\sigma}_{ij,k} \rightarrow \rho_{ji,k}$  semiclassical approximation as per Section 2.5, a semiclassical model for transduction in a three-level system with an ensemble of  $N$  atoms is the system of  $N + 2$  coupled differential equations

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = -i\delta_{co}\alpha - i \sum_{k=1}^N g_{o,k}^* \rho_{31,k} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \alpha + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \alpha_{\text{in}} \quad (4.1)$$

$$\frac{d\beta}{dt} = -i\delta_{c\mu}\beta - i \sum_{k=1}^N g_{\mu,k}^* \rho_{j_{\mu},k} - \frac{\gamma_{\mu i} + \gamma_{\mu c}}{2} \beta + \sqrt{\gamma_{\mu c}} \beta_{\text{in}} \quad (4.2)$$

$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}_k}{dt} = \mathcal{L}_k(\alpha, \beta) \hat{\rho}_k = -i[\hat{H}_{\text{atom},k}(\alpha, \beta), \hat{\rho}_k] + \mathcal{L}_{\text{dec},k} \hat{\rho}_k \quad (4.3)$$

and the semiclassical input-output relations

$$\alpha_{\text{out}} = -\alpha_{\text{in}} + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \alpha \quad (4.4)$$

$$\beta_{\text{out}} = -\beta_{\text{in}} + \sqrt{\gamma_{\mu c}} \beta. \quad (4.5)$$

Here,  $|i_{\mu}\rangle \leftrightarrow |j_{\mu}\rangle$  is the microwave transition. To adapt this for biphoton generation, I first swap the indices of the optical pump and signal transitions so that  $|1\rangle \rightarrow |3\rangle$  is being pumped and  $|3\rangle \rightarrow |2\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle$  are producing output signals, turning Equation 4.1 into

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = -i\delta_{co}\alpha - i \sum_{k=1}^N g_{o,k}^* \rho_{j_{oi},k} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \alpha + \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \alpha_{\text{in}} \quad (4.6)$$

where  $|j_o\rangle \rightarrow |i_o\rangle$  is the optical-emitting transition, and the driven atom Hamiltonian into

$$\hat{H}_{\text{atom},k} = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & g_{\mu,k}^* \beta^* & \Omega_{p,k}^* \\ g_{\mu,k} \beta & \delta_{\mu,k} & g_{o,k}^* \alpha^* \\ \Omega_{p,k} & g_{o,k} \alpha & \delta_{p,k} \end{bmatrix} & \Lambda\text{-system} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & g_{o,k}^* \alpha^* & \Omega_{p,k}^* \\ g_{o,k} \alpha & \delta_{o,k} & g_{\mu,k}^* \beta^* \\ \Omega_{p,k} & g_{\mu,k} \beta & \delta_{p,k} \end{bmatrix} & \text{V-system} \end{cases}. \quad (4.7)$$

Next, I set the input amplitudes to  $\alpha_{\text{in}} = 0 = \beta_{\text{in}}$ , because the optical and microwave cavities are used only for output in biphoton generation, not for any input. Note that the input *operators* are not zero because of this, only their expectation values. Furthermore, I set the cavity-signal detunings  $\delta_{co} = 0 = \delta_{c\mu}$ . This is because there are two output frequencies but only one input (pump) frequency, and so, unlike in transduction, an experimenter cannot arbitrarily control the output frequencies by adjusting the input frequency. Instead, the output frequencies are constrained to be as close to the cavity resonances as possible. Putting these together, the cavity Langevin equations and input-output relations become

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = -i \sum_{k=1}^N g_{o,k}^* \rho_{j_o i_o, k} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \alpha \quad (4.8)$$

$$\frac{d\beta}{dt} = -i \sum_{k=1}^N g_{\mu,k}^* \rho_{j_\mu i_\mu, k} - \frac{\gamma_{\mu i} + \gamma_{\mu c}}{2} \beta \quad (4.9)$$

$$\alpha_{\text{out}} = \sqrt{\gamma_{oc}} \alpha \quad (4.10)$$

$$\beta_{\text{out}} = \sqrt{\gamma_{\mu c}} \beta. \quad (4.11)$$

#### 4.1.1 Vacuum Rabi Frequency

Suppose that an atom in this system is initially in the ground state so that its density matrix  $\hat{\rho} = |1\rangle \langle 1|$ , and consider what happens in the model described so far as the optical pump  $\Omega_p$  is applied. This pump will transfer population from  $|1\rangle$  to  $|3\rangle$  and generate coherence ( $\rho_{13} \neq 0$ ) between these two levels, so that, in the absence of decoherence, the density matrix becomes

$$\hat{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{11} & 0 & \rho_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \rho_{31} & 0 & \rho_{33} \end{bmatrix}. \quad (4.12)$$

Now consider the effect of decoherence. Depolarisation will transfer some population into level  $|2\rangle$  so that  $\rho_{22} \neq 0$ , and dephasing will decrease the magnitude of all off-diagonal elements, of which only  $\rho_{13} = \rho_{31}^*$  are nonzero. At no point in this process of pumping the atom with losses, then, do  $\rho_{21}$  or  $\rho_{32}$  become nonzero. This means that there is no emission into the cavities, because those density matrix elements are the ones in the cavity Langevin equations. This is clearly unphysical, and therefore indicates a deficiency in the model described so far.

The problem is that the biphoton generation process is kickstarted, from cavities in vacuum, by interactions between the atoms and fluctuations in the cavity's vacuum field. This model is a mean-field approximation, and therefore does not account for fluctuations in the cavity field. This vacuum interaction can be treated as having an effective Rabi frequency equal to the atom-cavity coupling,  $g_{o,k}$  for the optical cavity and  $g_{\mu,k}$  for the microwave cavity, known as a *vacuum Rabi frequency*[26]. To capture this in the model, then, I modify the cavity Rabi frequencies from Equation 4.7

$$\Omega_{o,k} = g_{o,k} \alpha \quad (4.13)$$

$$\Omega_{\mu,k} = g_{\mu,k} \beta \quad (4.14)$$

so that, as  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ ,  $|\Omega_{o,k}| \rightarrow |g_{o,k}|$  (vice-versa for  $\beta$  and  $\Omega_{\mu,k}$ ). Such a modified expression should also be approximately the same as the original for large cavity amplitudes

$$\alpha \gg 1 \implies \Omega_{o,k} \approx g_{o,k}\alpha \quad (4.15)$$

$$\beta \gg 1 \implies \Omega_{\mu,k} \approx g_{\mu,k}\beta \quad (4.16)$$

where stimulated emission, which is a function of the mean field, dominates. If I furthermore require that the phases of the original and modified cavity Rabi frequencies match, then the modified expression should be of the form

$$\Omega_{o,k} = g_{o,k}e^{i \arg \alpha} f(|\alpha|) \quad (4.17)$$

$$\Omega_{\mu,k} = g_{\mu,k}e^{i \arg \beta} f(|\beta|) \quad (4.18)$$

where  $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is a function for which  $f(0) = 1$  and  $x \gg 1 \implies f(x) \approx x$ . I select  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$  as such a function, to obtain the modified Rabi frequencies

$$\Omega_{o,k} = g_{o,k}e^{i \arg \alpha} \sqrt{|\alpha|^2 + 1} \quad (4.19)$$

$$\Omega_{\mu,k} = g_{\mu,k}e^{i \arg \beta} \sqrt{|\beta|^2 + 1}. \quad (4.20)$$

## 4.2 Steady States

Taking the approach of Subsection 2.3.1, the steady states of Equations 4.8 and 4.9 can be expressed as a root-finding problem by replacing the dynamical atomic density matrices with steady-state density matrices and replacing the sum over the atoms with an integral over the inhomogeneous distribution, obtaining expressions for the ‘residuals’ which are zero at steady state

$$\alpha_{\text{res}} = -iN_o g_o^* \iint \rho_{j_o i_o, SS}(\alpha, \beta, \delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) d\delta_{12} d\delta_{23} - \frac{\gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}}{2} \alpha \quad (4.21)$$

$$\beta_{\text{res}} = -iN_\mu g_\mu^* \iint \rho_{j_\mu i_\mu, SS}(\alpha, \beta, \delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) p(\delta_{12}, \delta_{23}) d\delta_{12} d\delta_{23} - \frac{\gamma_{\mu i} + \gamma_{\mu c}}{2} \beta. \quad (4.22)$$

Here, the same simplifying assumptions as in Subsection 2.3.1 have been made about the atom-cavity couplings and pump Rabi frequencies, namely that  $\Omega_p = \Omega_{p,k}$  is identical across all atoms, that  $N_o \leq N$  atoms have the same optical cavity coupling strength  $g_o = g_{o,k}$  and the remaining  $N - N_o$  atoms do not couple to the optical cavity at all, and that  $N_\mu \leq N$  atoms have the same microwave cavity coupling strength  $g_\mu = g_{\mu,k}$  with the remaining  $N - N_\mu$  atoms not coupling to the microwave cavity at all.

## 4.3 Super-Atom Dynamics

The  $N + 2$  coupled differential equations of this model are intractable to solve the dynamics of, because  $N$  is very large in realistic systems. To make this tractable, I make the approximation that the  $N$  atoms can be partitioned into  $n \ll N$  sets with the same atom-cavity couplings and inhomogeneous shifts. Those variables are all that make one atom’s dynamics (in terms of density matrices) different from any other, so all atoms within one such set have the same density matrix. Thus, only  $n + 2$  coupled equations with  $n$  density matrices need to be solved. Letting  $\ell$  be an index over these sets and  $w_\ell$  be the number of atoms in set  $\ell$  (of course  $\sum_\ell w_\ell = N$ ), the system of equations becomes

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = -i \sum_{\ell=1}^n w_\ell g_{o,\ell}^* \rho_{j_o i_o, \ell} - \frac{\gamma_o}{2} \alpha \quad (4.23)$$

$$\frac{d\beta}{dt} = -i \sum_{\ell=1}^n w_\ell g_{\mu,\ell}^* \rho_{j_\mu i_\mu, \ell} - \frac{\gamma_\mu}{2} \beta \quad (4.24)$$

$$\frac{d\hat{\rho}_\ell}{dt} = \mathcal{L}_\ell(\alpha, \beta) \hat{\rho}_\ell \quad (4.25)$$

where  $\gamma_o = \gamma_{oi} + \gamma_{oc}$  and  $\gamma_\mu = \gamma_{\mu i} + \gamma_{\mu c}$ . From these equations,  $w_\ell$  can alternatively be interpreted as scale factors applied to the atom-cavity coupling strengths in the cavity Langevin equations (but not in the atom Master equations) to turn many atoms into a smaller number of ‘super-atoms’ that interact more strongly with the cavities. Thus,  $w_\ell$  need not necessarily even be integers because, by this interpretation, they are simply weights applied to the super-atoms.

### 4.3.1 Numerical Methods

A system of ordinary differential equations (ODEs) can be expressed as a single vector ODE  $\frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$ , so that numerical methods for ODEs can be applied. The system in Equations 4.23, 4.24, and 4.25 can be expressed in this way with

$$\mathbf{x} = [\text{Re } \alpha, \text{Im } \alpha, \text{Re } \beta, \text{Im } \beta, \rho_{11,1}, \text{Re } \rho_{12,1}, \dots, \rho_{33,n}]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{9n+4}, \quad (4.26)$$

which contains the four cavity degrees of freedom followed by, for each super-atom, the nine degrees of freedom of its density matrix, as in Equation 2.22. I implemented and used the 4th-order Runge-Kutta method[33] (RK4).

## 4.4 Results

Both the steady-state and super-atom dynamics models were tested using parameters corresponding to the three-level  $\Lambda$ -system in Er:YSO in Reference [2], which are shown in Table 4.1. For the steady-state model,  $N_o = N = N_\mu$  was used, and for the super-atom dynamics model,  $n = 1\,000\,000$  super-atoms with equal weight  $w_\ell = N/n$  were used. The super-atom simulations were initialised with all super-atoms in the ground state  $\hat{\rho}_\ell = |1\rangle_\ell \langle 1|_\ell$  and with small cavity occupancies  $\alpha = 1 = \beta$ .

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
$\omega_{12}$	$2\pi \times 5186$ MHz	$\sigma_o$	$2\pi \times 419$ MHz
$\tau_{12}$	11 s	$\sigma_\mu$	$2\pi \times 5$ MHz
$\tau_3$	11 ms	$N$	$1 \times 10^{16}$
$d_{13}$	$1.63 \times 10^{-32}$ C m	$\gamma_{oi}$	$2\pi \times 7.95$ MHz
$d_{23}$	$1.15 \times 10^{-32}$ C m	$\gamma_{oc}$	$2\pi \times 1.7$ MHz
$\tau_{13}$	$\tau_3 d_{13}^2 / (d_{13}^2 + d_{23}^2)$	$\gamma_{\mu i}$	$2\pi \times 650$ kHz
$\tau_{23}$	$\tau_3 d_{23}^2 / (d_{13}^2 + d_{23}^2)$	$\gamma_{\mu c}$	$2\pi \times 1.5$ MHz
$T$	4.6 K	$g_o$	51.9 Hz
$\gamma_{2d}$	1 MHz	$g_\mu$	1.04 Hz
$\gamma_{3d}$	1 MHz	$\Omega_p$	35 kHz

Table 4.1: The parameters common to all runs of both the steady-state and super-atom dynamics models, reproduced from the parameters of the Er:YSO  $\Lambda$ -system in Reference [2] to provide a set of realistic parameters.  $g_o$  and  $g_\mu$  are the same across all atoms that have a nonzero coupling to the respective cavities.

### 4.4.1 Super-Atom Simulations

Results for the super-atom model are shown in Figure 4.1 for small detunings  $\delta_o = -100$  kHz and  $\delta_\mu = 1$  MHz, and in Figure 4.2 for large detunings  $\delta_o = -6.5\sigma_o$  and  $\delta_\mu = 8\sigma_\mu$ , with two runs each that have identical parameters, including identical inhomogeneous shift samples. The timescales shown, of dozens of microseconds, are much longer than the cavities’ sub-microsecond characteristic dynamical timescales (their decay lifetimes), but much shorter than the atomic populations’ characteristic dynamical timescales of milliseconds to seconds.

There exists an adiabatic approximation of biphoton generation in a large-detuning regime[12] analogous to the adiabatic model of transduction in Section 2.2. The large detunings were chosen so that they satisfied the requirements of the adiabatic approximation, and the small detunings were

chosen so that they did not. These two sets of detunings therefore corresponded to distinct regimes of behaviour.

Note that these results can largely only be interpreted qualitatively, because the same Rabi frequency can be produced by many different pump powers. Thus, power efficiency, and whether the pump power is constant over time or not, cannot be determined.

## Small Detuning

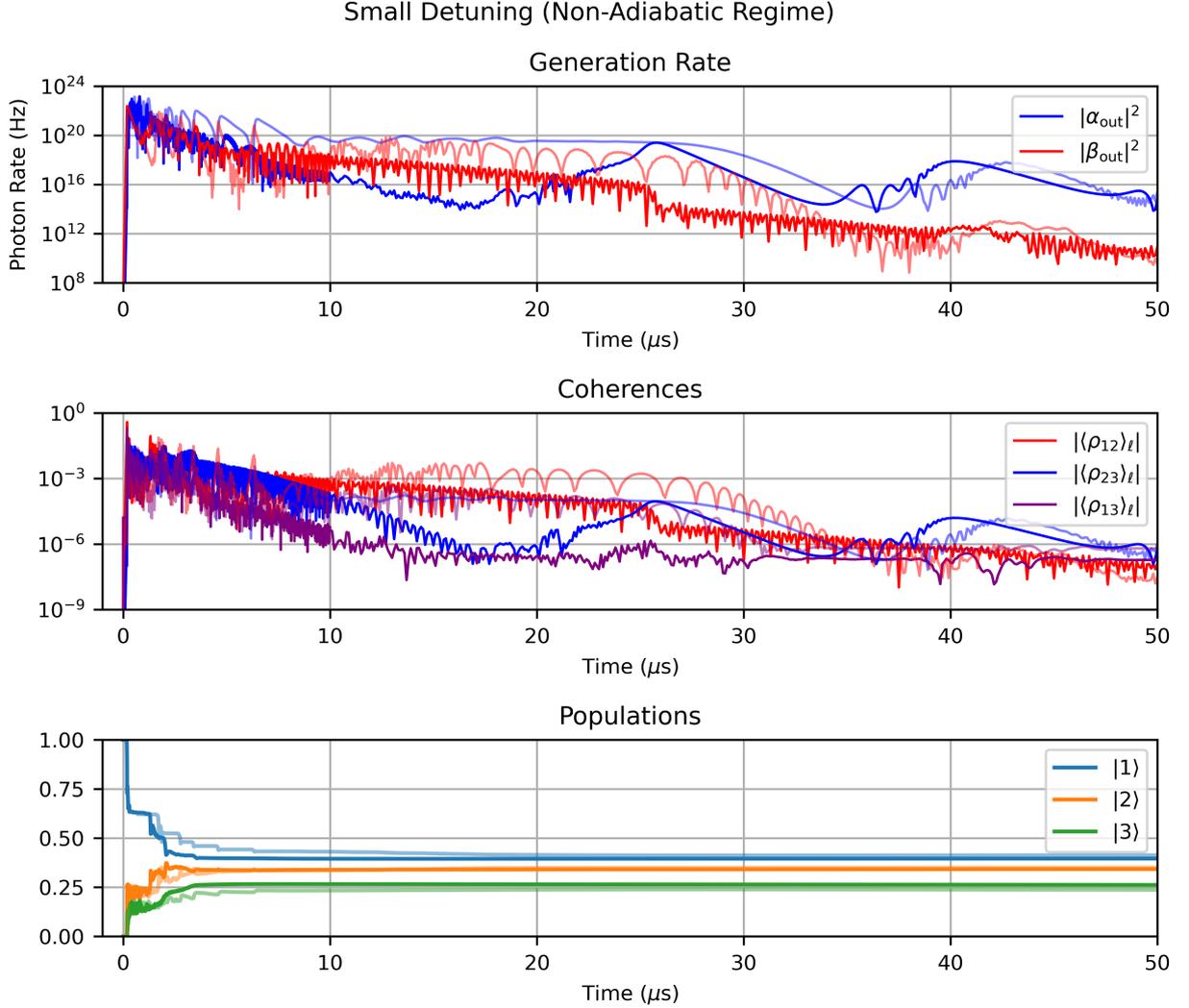


Figure 4.1: Super-atom simulation results for detunings  $\delta_o = -100$  kHz and  $\delta_\mu = 1$  MHz, which are not in the regime where the adiabatic approximation (Section 2.2) holds. Solved using RK4 with time step  $\Delta t = 10$  ps. Solid and translucent curves are two separate runs with identical parameters (including atom detunings), demonstrating amplification of floating-point errors.

The small-detuning super-atom runs exhibit highly non-convergent behaviour in the cavity dynamics for the entire length of the simulations, which does not visibly suggest that any steady state is being asymptotically approached. Furthermore, the two runs yielded very different dynamics, despite the fact that their parameters, initial conditions, and numerical ODE truncation are all identical, which indicates that floating-point errors<sup>1</sup> were amplified over time. This great divergence of dynam-

<sup>1</sup>Floating-point arithmetic is, in principle, deterministic, so one may wonder why there are different rounding errors in different simulation runs. This is because the super-atom simulations are implemented with the super-atom dynamics running in parallel, and so the sums over super-atom density matrix elements in Equations 4.23 and 4.24 are done in an undefined, variable order. Thus, the nonassociativity of floating point addition leads to slightly different rounding errors each time.

ics from very similar earlier states is characteristic of a chaotic system. Such chaotic behaviour in light-matter systems has also been observed experimentally[39]. Additionally, at some points, there is pulsed, periodic-like behaviour; such behaviour has also been observed in experiments in biphoton generation[40].

## Large Detuning

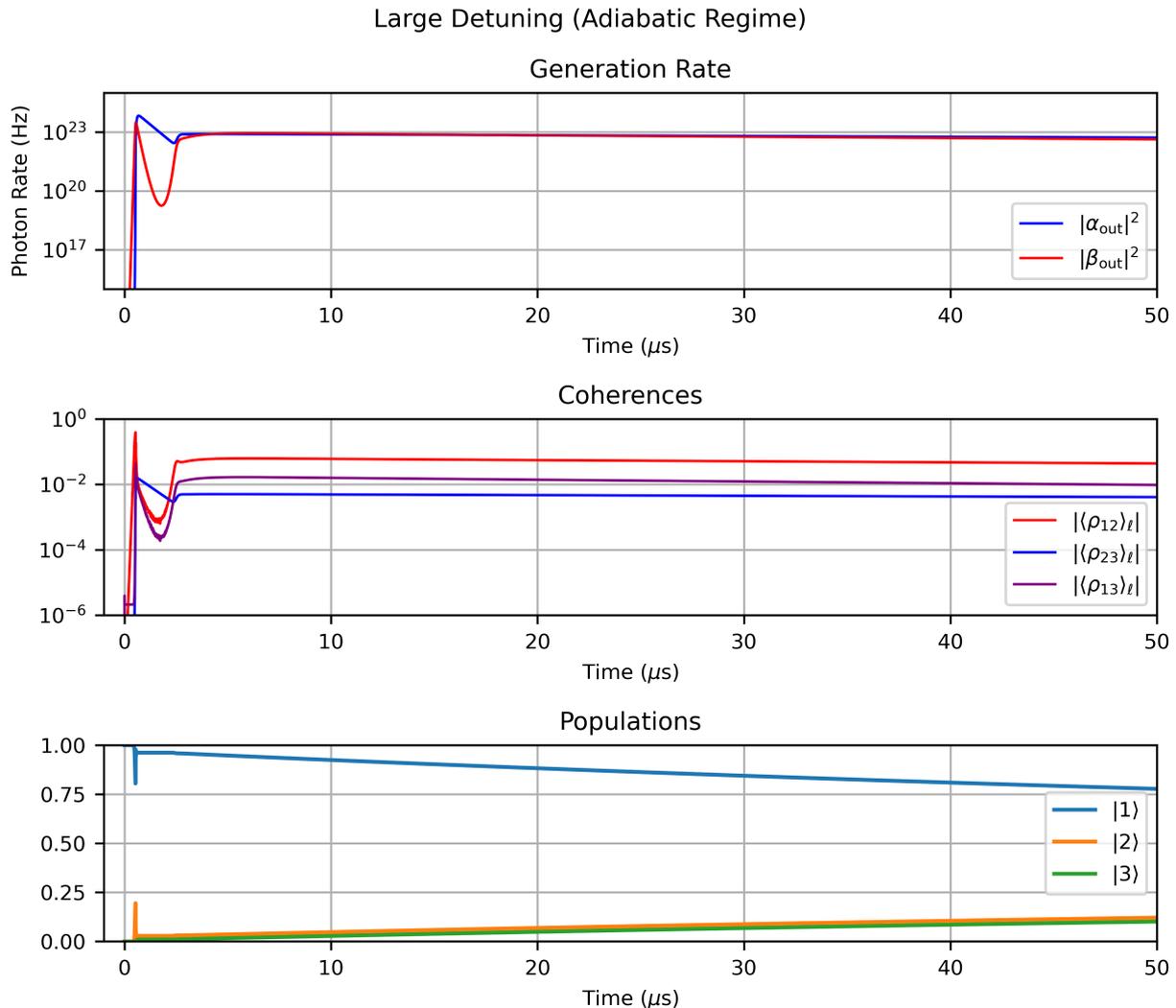


Figure 4.2: Super-atom simulation results for detunings  $\delta_o = -6.5\sigma_o$  and  $\delta_\mu = 8\sigma_\mu$ , which are in the regime where the adiabatic approximation holds. Solved using RK4 with time step  $\Delta t = 50$  ps. Rendered on the plots but indistinguishable due to overlap are distinct solid and translucent curves corresponding to two separate runs with identical parameters (including atom detunings), demonstrating that floating-point errors do not amplify over time.

By contrast, the large-detuning super-atom runs show quite simple dynamics that are consistent between the two runs, which show that the system is not chaotic for these large detunings. Furthermore, the dynamics are slowing down as time passes, and appear to be asymptotically approaching a steady state. Both of these facts are consistent with the adiabatic approximation holding at these large detunings. However, results<sup>2</sup> from the steady-state model, on the other hand, suggest that this apparent asymptote may not actually be a steady state.

<sup>2</sup>Or lack thereof

## Stiffness

All runs of the super-atom model required time steps much smaller than the shortest characteristic timescale  $1/\gamma_o \approx 16.5$  ns of the system, otherwise the scales of the system dynamics variables grew unphysically large (e.g.  $\text{tr } \hat{\rho}_\ell \gg 1$ ) until exceeding the floating point limit and polluting every variable with  $\infty$  and NaN. Specifically,  $\Delta t = 10$  ps was used for the small detuning and  $\Delta t = 50$  ps was used for the large detuning. This result indicates that this ODE problem is stiff.

### 4.4.2 Steady States

When running the steady-state model, the root-finding for Equations 4.21 and 4.22 does not converge on any nontrivial solution, for both small and large detunings. This is despite the fact that the large-detuning super-atom simulations appear to be converging to a steady state. Indeed, there is no convergence even when using the final cavity amplitudes of those super-atom simulations as an initial guess for the steady state root-finding.

## 4.5 Implicit Euler Method

Because the ODE problem in Equations 4.23, 4.24, and 4.25 is stiff, an implicit numerical method is more suitable than the explicit RK4 method. I describe here a procedure for implementing such a method, namely the implicit Euler method

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x} + \Delta t \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}') \quad (4.27)$$

where  $\mathbf{x}'$  is the next time step after  $\mathbf{x}$ . This equation cannot be solved explicitly for  $\mathbf{x}'$ , and is instead a root-finding problem, which is what is meant by an ‘implicit’ method. Rearranging Equation 4.27, the root-finding problem is to find the  $\mathbf{x}'$  for which the residual

$$\mathbf{x}_{\text{res}} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' + \Delta t \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}') \quad (4.28)$$

is zero. Breaking this down into  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\hat{\rho}_\ell$  components and substituting the relevant differential equations for  $\mathbf{f}$ ,

$$\alpha_{\text{res}} = \alpha - \alpha' - i\Delta t \sum_{\ell=1}^n w_\ell g_{o,\ell}^* \rho'_{j_o i_o, \ell} - \frac{\gamma_o \Delta t}{2} \alpha' \quad (4.29)$$

$$\beta_{\text{res}} = \beta - \beta' - i\Delta t \sum_{\ell=1}^n w_\ell g_{\mu,\ell}^* \rho'_{j_\mu i_\mu, \ell} - \frac{\gamma_\mu \Delta t}{2} \beta' \quad (4.30)$$

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{res}, \ell} = \hat{\rho}_\ell - \hat{\rho}'_\ell + \Delta t \mathcal{L}_\ell(\alpha', \beta') \hat{\rho}'_\ell. \quad (4.31)$$

In Equation 4.31, each  $\ell$  is independent, and so they can be solved for  $\hat{\rho}_{\text{res}, \ell} = \hat{0}$  to obtain

$$[\Delta t \mathcal{L}_\ell(\alpha', \beta') - \mathbb{1}] \hat{\rho}'_\ell = -\hat{\rho}_\ell. \quad (4.32)$$

Therefore, for a given guess of cavity amplitudes  $\alpha'$  and  $\beta'$ , guesses of  $\hat{\rho}'_\ell$  can be produced so that  $\alpha_{\text{res}}$  and  $\beta_{\text{res}}$  are the only nonzero residuals. This root-finding problem has therefore been reduced from having  $9n + 4$  real degrees of freedom to just the four real degrees of freedom of the cavities.

# Chapter 5

## Conclusion

Hybrid microwave-optical quantum systems have a key role to play in efforts to produce large-scale quantum technology systems, as well as interoperating different quantum technologies. In particular, hybrid microwave-optical transducers and entangled photon pair generators are important tools for producing entanglement across lengths and inside volumes too large to cool to cryogenic temperatures. Atomic systems, in particular using rare-earth atoms in crystals, are an appealing platform with which to build such technologies. However, our understanding of these systems, and therefore our ability to optimise them, is incomplete. I have produced, and presented in this thesis, numerical models of such systems in realistic parameter spaces. These can be used as an aid to improve our understanding of these systems.

I produced a model that computes the output power of atomic ensemble based transduction, that accounts for four atomic energy levels, rather than just three as in prior modelling work. This allows the model to capture the effect of interference between the outputs of two atomic transitions, which can have a large effect on the efficiency of such a transducer. Even ‘three-level’ transduction schemes often have a fourth level nearby, making interference effects broadly relevant. The formalism can readily be extended to systems with more than four levels and more than two interfering transitions.

This four-level transduction model shows qualitative agreement with experimental data, reproducing the essential features measured in a frequency sweep. There is still some quantitative discrepancy between model results and experimental data, which reflects uncertainty in the experimental parameters. Future work could involve better evaluating the model by either further refining the parameters for a better match with the experimental data used here, or identifying or producing another experimental dataset whose parameters relevant to the model are known with more certainty.

Separately, I produced a model for the photon pair generation rate of an atomic ensemble based biphoton generation process using a three-level system. The dynamical behaviours produced by the model are qualitatively explainable by and consistent with both theory and analogy to experimental results in other light-matter interaction systems. The results also demonstrated that the ODE problem in the model is stiff, which highlights that the results could be improved with a more suitable numerical approach than the RK4 method used. I theorised an efficient implementation of such a method.

Future work on this biphoton generation model could include implementing better numerical methods, as well as performing biphoton generation experiments to produce a dataset with which to validate the model. Separately, future work could be to build from this model to produce a model that predicts not only generation rate, but also the degree of entanglement generated within photon pairs. This is important because the degree of entanglement, not only the rate of photon pair generation, affects the rate at which quantum information can be transmitted. This could be done by replacing the mean-field approximation with a ‘Gaussian-field’ approximation that incorporates the (co)variances of electromagnetic field operators in addition to expectation values.

In conclusion, the numerical models developed in this project show potential to be useful for understanding microwave-optical transducers and pair generators, thereby aiding the development of such technologies. However, they lack conclusive benchmarks against experimental results, such benchmarking being a prime avenue of future work.

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## Appendix A

# Replicating and Reverse-Engineering Rabi Frequencies for Barnett and Longdell 2020

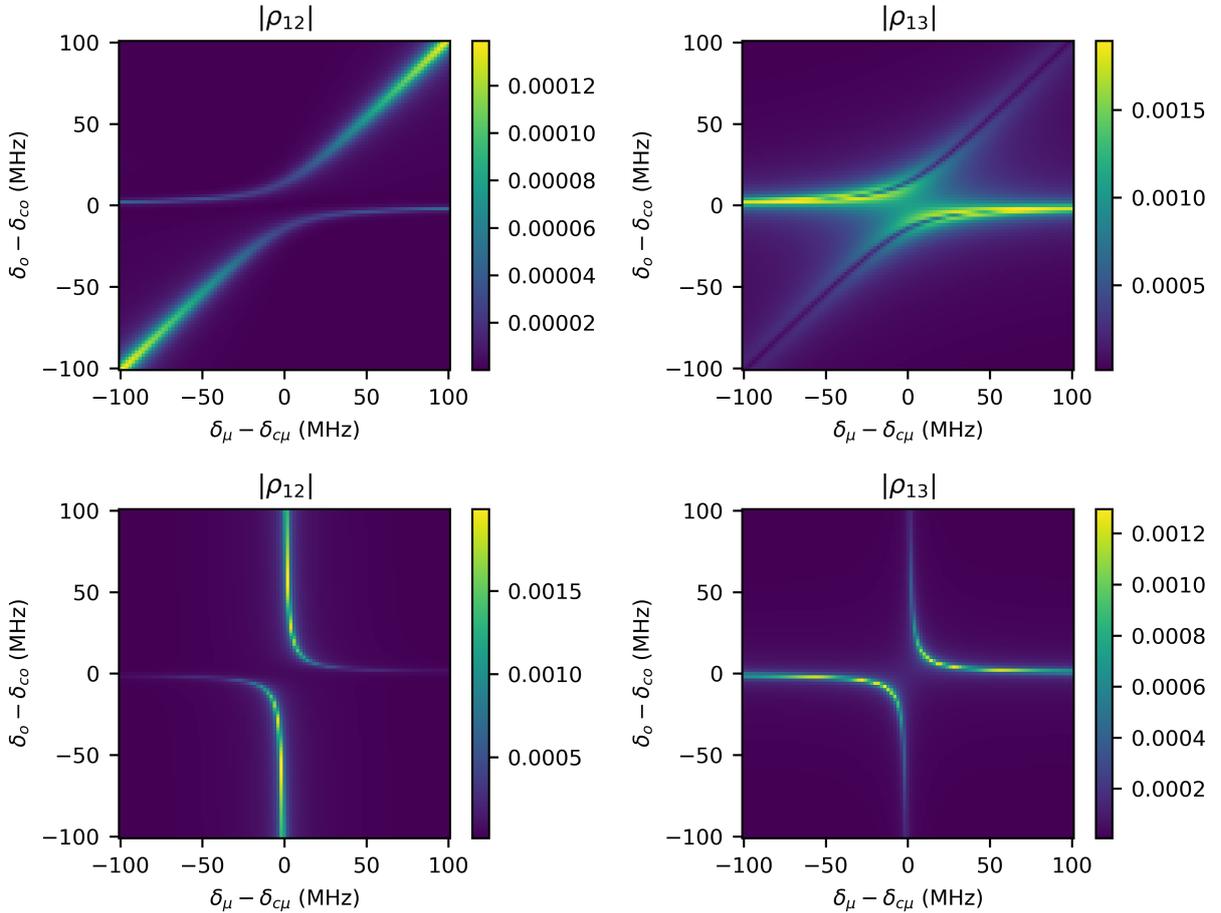


Figure A.1: A replication of Figure 2 from Barnett and Longdell 2020[2], using my own implementation of the model. The top row uses a 1  $\mu$ W optical pump and 5 dBm microwave drive, and the bottom row uses a 100 mW optical pump and -75 dBm microwave drive.

Barnett and Longdell 2020[2] does not specify pump Rabi frequencies used, but it does give pump powers, and pump powers  $P_p$  and Rabi frequencies  $\Omega_p$  are related by

$$\Omega_p = \frac{\langle 3 | \hat{d} | 2 \rangle}{\hbar} \sqrt{\frac{2\mu_0 c P_p}{A}} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where  $A$  is the pump laser beam area. When replicating the paper's results, I found that an area corresponding to a 0.1 mm beam diameter gave good results for the high-pump data, and for the low-pump data when using  $1 \mu\text{W}$  instead of the paper's stated  $1 \text{pW}$ , reasoning that the latter may have been a typo. This corresponds to Rabi frequencies of approximately 35 kHz and 11 MHz.

## Appendix B

# Waveguide Transducer Efficiency Fit

This is the data and fit for the input efficiency of the waveguide transduction device that is the subject of Chapter 3, used to calibrate the optical pump power.

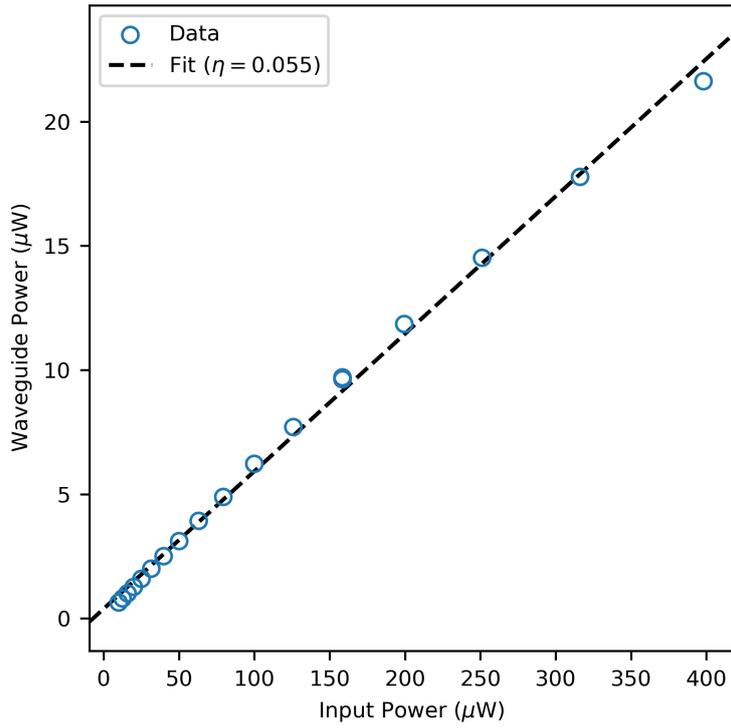


Figure B.1: Plot and curve fit (efficiency  $\eta = 0.055$ ) of waveguide power vs input power. Data in Table B.1

Input Power (dBm)	Waveguide Power ( $\mu$ W)
-8	9.703 703 703 703 702
-4	21.629 629 629 629 626
-5	17.777 777 777 777 78
-6	14.518 518 518 518 519
-7	11.851 851 851 851 851
-8	9.629 629 629 629 63
-9	7.703 703 703 703 703
-10	6.222 222 222 222 222
-11	4.888 888 888 888 888
-12	3.925 925 925 925 925 6
-13	3.111 111 111 111 111
-14	2.503 703 703 703 703 5
-15	2.0
-16	1.592 592 592 592 592 3
-17	1.266 666 666 666 666 6
-18	1.007 407 407 407 407 5
-19	0.8
-20	0.637 037 037 037 037

Table B.1: Waveguide power vs input power.

# Appendix C

## Code Listings

This appendix contains the ‘core’ model code. Full code for generating the figures in this thesis, and the data used in those figures, can be found in the GitHub repository for this thesis <https://github.com/Quantum-Integration-Laboratory/MariaNicolaeHonoursThesis>.

### C.1 Three-Level Transduction Replication

These codes are my own implementations of the prior three-level transduction models of Chapter 2. They were written quite early in the project, and so follow the notation of the original sources rather than the notation in this thesis.

#### C.1.1 Single Cavity

This Python code replicates the single-cavity model in Reference [1]. When run as a script, it replicates Figure 4(e) in that paper.

```
1 import numpy as np
2 from scipy import integrate, optimize, stats
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 import sympy
5
6 def getL():
7     # symbols
8     s12 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
9     s13 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
10    s23 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0]])
11    s21 = s12.H
12    s31 = s13.H
13    s32 = s23.H
14    s11 = s12*s21
15    s22 = s21*s12
16    s33 = s31*s13
17
18    delta_mu = sympy.symbols('delta_mu', real=True)
19    delta_s = sympy.symbols('delta_s', real=True)
20    gamma_mu = sympy.symbols('gamma_mu', real=True)
21    gamma31, gamma32 = sympy.symbols('gamma3(1:3)', real=True)
22    gamma2d, gamma3d = sympy.symbols('gamma(2:4)d', real=True)
23    nbath = sympy.symbols('nbath', real=True)
24    Omega_mu = sympy.symbols('Omega_mu', complex=True)
25    Omega_o = sympy.symbols('Omega_o', complex=True)
26    A = sympy.symbols('A', complex=True)
27
28    def master_equation_rhs(rho):
29        H = Omega_o*s32 + Omega_mu*s21 + A*s31
30        H = H + H.H
31        H = H + delta_mu*s22 + delta_s*s33
32
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33     L21 = gamma_mu/2 * (nbath+1) * (2*s12*rho*s21 - s22*rho - rho*s22)
34     L12 = gamma_mu/2 * nbath * (2*s21*rho*s12 - s11*rho - rho*s11)
35     L32 = gamma32/2 * (2*s23*rho*s32 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
36     L31 = gamma31/2 * (2*s13*rho*s31 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
37     L22 = gamma2d/2 * (2*s22*rho*s22 - s22*s22*rho - rho*s22*s22)
38     L33 = gamma3d/2 * (2*s33*rho*s33 - s33*s33*rho - rho*s33*s33)
39     loss = L21 + L12 + L32 + L31 + L22 + L33
40
41     return -sympy.I*(H*rho - rho*H) + loss
42
43     # obtain matrix representation of differential operator L
44     L = sympy.zeros(9)
45     for i in range(3):
46         for j in range(3):
47             rho = sympy.zeros(3)
48             rho[i,j] = 1
49             Lcol = master_equation_rhs(rho)
50             col = 3*i+j
51             for ip in range(3):
52                 for jp in range(3):
53                     row = 3*ip+jp
54                     L[row,col] = Lcol[ip,jp]
55
56     # replace first row with row computing the trace of rho
57     L[0,:] = sympy.Matrix([1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1]).T
58
59     # lambdify
60     args = (delta_mu, delta_s, gamma_mu, gamma31, gamma32, gamma2d, gamma3d, nbath,
61            Omega_mu, Omega_o, A)
62     Lfunc = sympy.lambdify(args, L, 'numpy')
63
64     return L, Lfunc
65
66 L, Lfunc = getL()
67
68 # fundamental constants
69 hbar = 1.05457e-34
70 kB = 1.380649e-23
71 c = 299792458
72 eps0 = 8.854187817e-12
73 mu0 = 4*np.pi*1e-7
74 muB = 9.274009994e-24
75
76 def rho_steady_state_many_args(delta_mu, delta_s, gamma_mu, gamma31, gamma32,
77                                gamma2d, gamma3d, nbath, Omega_mu, Omega_o, A):
78     Lmatrix = Lfunc(
79         delta_mu=delta_mu,
80         delta_s=delta_s,
81         gamma_mu=gamma_mu,
82         gamma31=gamma31,
83         gamma32=gamma32,
84         gamma2d=gamma2d,
85         gamma3d=gamma3d,
86         nbath=nbath,
87         Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
88         Omega_o=Omega_o,
89         A=A
90     )
91     b = np.array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
92     x = np.linalg.solve(Lmatrix, b)
93     rho = np.array([[x[0], x[1], x[2]],
94                    [x[3], x[4], x[5]],
95                    [x[6], x[7], x[8]]])
96
97     return rho
98
99 def Omega_mu_from_Pin(Pin, omega_mu):

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97     V_mu_cavity = Vsample / fill_factor
98     Pmu = 1e-3 * 10**(Pin/10)
99     Q = omega_mu / (kappa_mi + 2*kappa_mc)
100    S21 = 4 * kappa_mc**2 / (kappa_mi + 2*kappa_mc)**2
101    energy_mu_cavity = 2*Pmu*Q*np.sqrt(S21) / omega_mu
102    Bmu = np.sqrt(mu0*energy_mu_cavity / (2*V_mu_cavity))
103    return -mu12*Bmu / hbar
104
105    def Omega_o_from_Pin(Pin, omega_o):
106        Po = 1e-3 * 10**(Pin/10)
107        pflux = Po / (hbar*omega_o)
108        n_in = 4*pflux*kappa_oc / (kappa_oc+kappa_oi)**2
109        Sspot = np.pi * Woc**2
110        V_o_cavity = (Sspot*Loc + Sspot*Lsample*nYS0**3) / 2
111        Eo = np.sqrt(n_in*hbar*omega_o / (2*eps0*V_o_cavity))
112        return -d23*Eo / hbar
113
114    def rho_steady_state(Pin_mu, Pin_o, delta_mu, delta_o, a):
115        omega_mu = omega_12 - delta_mu
116        nbath = 1 / (np.exp(hbar*(omega_mu)/(kB*T))-1)
117        rho = rho_steady_state_many_args(
118            delta_mu = delta_mu,
119            delta_s = delta_o - delta_mu,
120            gamma_mu = 1/tau2 * 1/(nbath+1),
121            gamma31 = 1/tau3 * d13**2 / (d13**2 + d23**2),
122            gamma32 = 1/tau3 * d23**2 / (d13**2 + d23**2),
123            gamma2d = 1e6,
124            gamma3d = 1e6,
125            nbath = nbath,
126            Omega_mu = Omega_mu_from_Pin(Pin_mu, omega_12 - delta_mu),
127            Omega_o = Omega_o_from_Pin(Pin_o, omega_23 - delta_o),
128            A = g*a
129        )
130        return rho
131
132    def rho13_steady_state_ensemble(Pin_mu, Pin_o, mean_delta_mu, mean_delta_s, a):
133        standard_norm = lambda z: np.exp(-z**2/2) / np.sqrt(2*np.pi)
134        zrange = 3
135
136        def ensemble_integrand(z_mu, z_s):
137            delta_mu = mean_delta_mu + w12*z_mu
138            delta_s = mean_delta_mu + w13*z_s
139            envelope = standard_norm(z_mu)*standard_norm(z_s) / (w12*w13)
140            rho13 = rho_steady_state(Pin_mu, Pin_o, delta_mu, delta_s, a)[0,2]
141            jacobian = w12 * w13
142            return envelope * rho13 * jacobian
143
144        real_integrand = lambda z_mu, z_s: np.real(ensemble_integrand(z_mu, z_s))
145        imag_integrand = lambda z_mu, z_s: np.imag(ensemble_integrand(z_mu, z_s))
146
147        y_re, abserr_re = integrate.dblquad(real_integrand, -zrange, zrange, -zrange,
148            zrange)
149        y_im, abserr_im = integrate.dblquad(imag_integrand, -zrange, zrange, -zrange,
150            zrange)
151        y = y_re + 1j*y_im
152        return y
153
154    def steady_a(Pin_mu, Pin_o, delta_oc, rescaling=1):
155        def S13(a):
156            return N*g*rho13_steady_state_ensemble(Pin_mu, Pin_o, 0, 0, a)
157
158        def ffunc(a):
159            return -1j*delta_oc*a - 1j*S13(a) - (kappa_oi+kappa_oc)*a/2
160
161        def ffunc_R2toR2(a):
162            [a_re, a_im] = a

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161     a = a_re + 1j*a_im
162     fa = ffunc(a)
163     fa *= rescaling
164     return [np.real(fa), np.imag(fa)]
165
166     result = optimize.root(ffunc_R2toR2, [0, 0])
167     [a_re, a_im] = result.x
168     return a_re + 1j*a_im, result
169
170 if __name__ == '__main__':
171     # recreate Figure 4c from Fernandez-Gonzalvo et. al. 2019
172     # (Phys. Rev. A 100, 033807)
173
174     nYSO = 1.76 # refractive index of YSO
175     T = 4.6 # experiment temperature
176     N = 1.28e15 # erbium number density
177     g = 51.9 # s13 to optical coupling
178
179     omega_12 = 2*np.pi*5.186e9
180     omega_23 = 2*np.pi*195113.36e9 # 1536.504 nm
181     w12 = 2*np.pi*25e6
182     w13 = 2*np.pi*170e6
183     mu12 = 4.3803*muB
184     d13 = 1.63e-32
185     d23 = 1.15e-32
186     tau2 = 1e-3
187     tau3 = 11e-3
188
189     kappa_mi = 2*np.pi*650e3
190     kappa_mc = 2*np.pi*70e3
191     kappa_oi = 2*np.pi*1.7e6
192     kappa_oc = 2*np.pi*7.95e6
193
194     Woc = 0.6e-3
195     Loc = 49.5e-3
196     fill_factor = 0.8 # fraction of microwave cavity filled by sample
197
198     dsample = 5e-3
199     Lsample = 12e-3
200     Vsample = np.pi * dsample**2 * Lsample / 4
201
202     Pin_mu = 0
203     Pin_o = 10.4135
204
205     a, _ = steady_a(-20, Pin_o, 0, rescaling=1e-6)
206
207     delta_mu_v = 30e6 * np.linspace(-2*np.pi, 2*np.pi, 101) / (2*np.pi)
208     delta_o_v = 50e6 * np.linspace(-2*np.pi, 2*np.pi, 101) / (2*np.pi)
209     delta_mu, delta_o = np.meshgrid(delta_mu_v, delta_o_v)
210
211     def steady_pop(Pin_mu, Pin_o, delta_mu, delta_o, a):
212         rho = rho_steady_state(Pin_mu, Pin_o, delta_mu, delta_o, a)
213         return np.real(np.diag(rho))
214
215     sig = '(),(),(),(),()->(n)'
216     pop = np.vectorize(steady_pop, signature=sig)(-20, Pin_o, delta_mu, delta_o, a)
217
218     p11 = pop[:, :, 0]
219     p33 = pop[:, :, 2]
220     mhz = 1e6
221
222     fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 1)
223     ax.pcolormesh(delta_o/mhz, delta_mu/mhz, p11-p33, vmin=0, vmax=0.05)
224     ax.invert_yaxis()
225     ax.set_aspect('equal')
226     ax.set_title('rho11 - rho33 (Mine)')

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227 ax.set_xlabel('delta_o (rad MHz)')
228 ax.set_ylabel('delta_mu (rad MHz)')
229 plt.show()

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### C.1.2 Double Cavity

This Python code replicates the double-cavity model in Reference [2]. It is ‘library’ code that is not a script in its own right. The GitHub repository contains scripts that import this code.

```

1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 from scipy import integrate, optimize, stats
4 import sympy
5 import pickle
6 import itertools
7
8 gauss_lobatto_n = 20
9
10 legendre_coeffs = (0,)*(gauss_lobatto_n-1) + (1,)
11 roots = np.polynomial.legendre.Legendre(legendre_coeffs).deriv().roots()
12 gauss_lobatto_points = np.concatenate([[ -1], roots, [ 1]])
13 gauss_lobatto_points = (gauss_lobatto_points+1) / 2
14
15 k = np.arange(gauss_lobatto_n)
16 i, j = np.indices((gauss_lobatto_n, gauss_lobatto_n))
17 M = gauss_lobatto_points[j]**i
18 b = 1/(k+1)
19 gauss_lobatto_weights = np.linalg.solve(M, b)
20
21 # flattening and unflattening arrays
22 unravel = np.array([
23     [0, 3, 6],
24     [1, 4, 7],
25     [2, 5, 8]
26 ])
27
28 ravel_i = np.zeros(9, dtype=int)
29 ravel_j = np.zeros(9, dtype=int)
30 for i in range(3):
31     for j in range(3):
32         k = unravel[i,j]
33         ravel_i[k] = i
34         ravel_j[k] = j
35 ravel = (ravel_i, ravel_j)
36
37 def get_symbolic():
38     # parameters
39     g_o = sympy.symbols('g_o', real=True)
40     g_mu = sympy.symbols('g_mu', real=True)
41     Omega = sympy.symbols('Omega')
42     alpha = sympy.symbols('alpha')
43     beta = sympy.symbols('beta')
44     delta_mu = sympy.symbols('delta_mu', real=True)
45     delta_o = sympy.symbols('delta_o', real=True)
46     delta_amu = sympy.symbols('delta_amu', real=True)
47     delta_ao = sympy.symbols('delta_ao', real=True)
48     gamma_12 = sympy.symbols('gamma_12', real=True)
49     gamma_13 = sympy.symbols('gamma_13', real=True)
50     gamma_23 = sympy.symbols('gamma_23', real=True)
51     gamma_2d = sympy.symbols('gamma_2d', real=True)
52     gamma_3d = sympy.symbols('gamma_3d', real=True)
53     n_bath = sympy.symbols('n_bath', real=True)
54     symbols = {
55         'g_o': g_o,
56         'g_mu': g_mu,

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57     'Omega': Omega,
58     'alpha': alpha,
59     'beta': beta,
60     'delta_mu': delta_mu,
61     'delta_o': delta_o,
62     'delta_amu': delta_amu,
63     'delta_ao': delta_ao,
64     'gamma_12': gamma_12,
65     'gamma_13': gamma_13,
66     'gamma_23': gamma_23,
67     'gamma_2d': gamma_2d,
68     'gamma_3d': gamma_3d,
69     'n_bath': n_bath
70 }
71
72 # matrix symbols
73 s12 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
74 s13 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
75 s23 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0]])
76 s21 = s12.H
77 s31 = s13.H
78 s32 = s23.H
79 s11 = s12*s21
80 s22 = s21*s12
81 s33 = s31*s13
82
83 # Hamiltonian
84 H_0 = (delta_amu-delta_mu)*s22 + (delta_ao-delta_o)*s33 + Omega*s32 +
Omega.conjugate()*s23
85 H_alpha = g_o*s31
86 H_alpha_c = g_o*s13
87 H_beta = g_mu*s21
88 H_beta_c = g_mu*s12
89 H = H_0 + alpha*H_alpha + alpha.conjugate()*H_alpha_c + beta*H_beta +
beta.conjugate()*H_beta_c
90
91 # loss superoperator
92 def loss_superoperator(rho):
93     L21 = gamma_12/2 * (n_bath+1) * (2*s12*rho*s21 - s22*rho - rho*s22)
94     L12 = gamma_12/2 * n_bath * (2*s21*rho*s12 - s11*rho - rho*s11)
95     L32 = gamma_23/2 * (2*s23*rho*s32 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
96     L31 = gamma_13/2 * (2*s13*rho*s31 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
97     L22 = gamma_2d/2 * (2*s22*rho*s22 - s22*rho - rho*s22)
98     L33 = gamma_3d/2 * (2*s33*rho*s33 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
99     loss = L21 + L12 + L32 + L31 + L22 + L33
100     return loss
101
102 # get liouvillian superoperator matrix
103 def liouvillian_matrix(H, loss=None):
104     def master_equation(rho):
105         master_operator = -sympy.I * (H*rho-rho*H)
106         if loss is not None:
107             master_operator += loss(rho)
108         return master_operator
109
110     L = sympy.zeros(9)
111     for column, (icol, jcol) in enumerate(zip(*ravel)):
112         # basis matrix
113         rho = sympy.zeros(3)
114         rho[icol,jcol] = 1
115
116         # get column of supermatrix
117         L_column = master_equation(rho)
118         for row, (irow, jrow) in enumerate(zip(*ravel)):
119             L[row,column] = L_column[irow,jrow]
120

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121     return L
122
123     L_0 = liouvillian_matrix(H_0, loss=loss_superoperator)
124     L_alpha = liouvillian_matrix(H_alpha)
125     L_alpha_c = liouvillian_matrix(H_alpha_c)
126     L_beta = liouvillian_matrix(H_beta)
127     L_beta_c = liouvillian_matrix(H_beta_c)
128     L = L_0 + alpha*L_alpha + alpha.conjugate()*L_alpha_c + beta*L_beta +
beta.conjugate()*L_beta_c
129
130     return {
131         'symbols': symbols,
132         'H': H,
133         'L': L,
134         'L_0': L_0,
135         'L_alpha': L_alpha,
136         'L_alpha_c': L_alpha_c,
137         'L_beta': L_beta,
138         'L_beta_c': L_beta_c
139     }
140
141     symbolic = get_symbolic()
142
143     symbolic_args_full = (
144         symbolic['symbols']['g_o'],
145         symbolic['symbols']['g_mu'],
146         symbolic['symbols']['Omega'],
147         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_12'],
148         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_13'],
149         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_23'],
150         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_2d'],
151         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_3d'],
152         symbolic['symbols']['n_bath'],
153         symbolic['symbols']['delta_mu'],
154         symbolic['symbols']['delta_o'],
155         symbolic['symbols']['delta_amu'],
156         symbolic['symbols']['delta_ao'],
157         symbolic['symbols']['alpha'],
158         symbolic['symbols']['beta']
159     )
160
161     symbolic_args_0 = (
162         symbolic['symbols']['g_o'],
163         symbolic['symbols']['g_mu'],
164         symbolic['symbols']['Omega'],
165         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_12'],
166         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_13'],
167         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_23'],
168         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_2d'],
169         symbolic['symbols']['gamma_3d'],
170         symbolic['symbols']['n_bath'],
171         symbolic['symbols']['delta_mu'],
172         symbolic['symbols']['delta_o'],
173         symbolic['symbols']['delta_amu'],
174         symbolic['symbols']['delta_ao']
175     )
176
177     symbolic_args_H = (
178         symbolic['symbols']['g_o'],
179         symbolic['symbols']['g_mu'],
180         symbolic['symbols']['Omega'],
181         symbolic['symbols']['delta_mu'],
182         symbolic['symbols']['delta_o'],
183         symbolic['symbols']['delta_amu'],
184         symbolic['symbols']['delta_ao'],
185         symbolic['symbols']['alpha'],

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186     symbolic['symbols']['beta']
187 )
188
189 H = sympy.lambdify(symbolic_args_H, symbolic['H'], 'numpy')
190 L = sympy.lambdify(symbolic_args_full, symbolic['L'], 'numpy')
191 L_0 = sympy.lambdify(symbolic_args_0, symbolic['L_0'], 'numpy')
192 L_alpha = sympy.lambdify(symbolic['symbols']['g_o'], symbolic['L_alpha'], 'numpy')
193 L_alpha_c = sympy.lambdify(symbolic['symbols']['g_o'], symbolic['L_alpha_c'],
    'numpy')
194 L_beta = sympy.lambdify(symbolic['symbols']['g_mu'], symbolic['L_beta'], 'numpy')
195 L_beta_c = sympy.lambdify(symbolic['symbols']['g_mu'], symbolic['L_beta_c'], 'numpy')
196
197 def rho_steady_state(g_o, g_mu, Omega, gamma_12, gamma_13,
198     gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, n_bath,
199     delta_mu, delta_o, delta_amu, delta_ao, alpha, beta):
200     L_matrix = L(
201         g_o=g_o,
202         g_mu=g_mu,
203         Omega=Omega,
204         gamma_12=gamma_12,
205         gamma_13=gamma_13,
206         gamma_23=gamma_23,
207         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
208         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
209         n_bath=n_bath,
210         delta_mu=delta_mu,
211         delta_o=delta_o,
212         delta_amu=delta_amu,
213         delta_ao=delta_ao,
214         alpha=alpha,
215         beta=beta
216     )
217     L_matrix[0,:] = np.array([1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1])
218     b = np.array([1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0])
219     rho = np.linalg.solve(L_matrix, b)
220     return rho[unravel]
221
222 def rho_steady_state_ensemble(g_o, g_mu, Omega, gamma_12, gamma_13,
223     gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, n_bath,
224     delta_mu, delta_o, delta_amu, delta_ao,
225     sigma_mu, sigma_o, alpha, beta):
226     # degenerate dressed state detuning
227     def minor_det(M, i, j):
228         return M[i,i]*M[j,j] - M[i,j]*M[j,i]
229
230     def H_disc(delta_amu, delta_ao):
231         H_matrix = H(
232             g_mu=g_mu,
233             g_o=g_o,
234             Omega=Omega,
235             alpha=alpha,
236             beta=beta,
237             delta_mu=delta_mu,
238             delta_o=delta_o,
239             delta_amu=delta_amu,
240             delta_ao=delta_ao
241         )
242         a = -1
243         b = np.trace(H_matrix)
244         c = -(minor_det(H_matrix, 0, 1)
245             + minor_det(H_matrix, 0, 2)
246             + minor_det(H_matrix, 1, 2))
247         d = np.linalg.det(H_matrix)
248         Delta = 18*a*b*c*d - 4*b**3*d + b*b*c*c - 4*a*c**3 - 27*a*a*d*d
249         return np.abs(Delta)
250

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251 def delta_amu_degenerate(delta_ao):
252     # get close guess
253     if delta_ao == delta_o:
254         delta_amu0 = delta_mu
255     elif np.abs(beta) < np.abs(Omega):
256         delta_amu0 = -np.abs(Omega)**2/(delta_ao-delta_o) + delta_ao - delta_o +
delta_mu
257     else:
258         delta_amu0 = np.abs(g_mu*beta)**2/(delta_ao-delta_o) + delta_mu
259
260     f = lambda d_amu: H_disc(d_amu, delta_ao)
261     result = optimize.minimize_scalar(f, bracket=(delta_amu0-sigma_mu,
delta_amu0+sigma_mu))
262     return result.x
263
264 # gauss-lobatto integration
265 def gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(a, b):
266     nodes = a + gauss_lobatto_points*(b-a)
267     weights = gauss_lobatto_weights*(b-a)
268     return nodes, weights
269
270 def composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(bounds):
271     bounds = np.sort(bounds)
272     nodes = np.array([], dtype=float)
273     weights = np.array([], dtype=float)
274     for a, b in zip(bounds[:-1], bounds[1:]):
275         new_nodes, new_weights = gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(a, b)
276         nodes = np.concatenate([nodes, new_nodes])
277         weights = np.concatenate([weights, new_weights])
278     return nodes, weights
279
280 # rho helper
281 def rho_fewer_args(d_ao, d_amu):
282     return rho_steady_state(
283         g_o=g_o,
284         g_mu=g_mu,
285         Omega=Omega,
286         gamma_12=gamma_12,
287         gamma_13=gamma_13,
288         gamma_23=gamma_23,
289         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
290         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
291         n_bath=n_bath,
292         delta_mu=delta_mu,
293         delta_o=delta_o,
294         delta_amu=d_amu,
295         delta_ao=d_ao,
296         alpha=alpha,
297         beta=beta
298     )
299
300 # generate outer integral nodes and weights
301 bounds = [
302     delta_ao,
303     delta_ao - sigma_o,
304     delta_ao + sigma_o,
305     delta_ao - 3*sigma_o,
306     delta_ao + 3*sigma_o,
307     delta_ao - 10*sigma_o,
308     delta_ao + 10*sigma_o,
309     delta_o,
310     delta_o - gamma_3d,
311     delta_o + gamma_3d,
312     delta_o - 5*gamma_3d,
313     delta_o + 5*gamma_3d
314 ]

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315     d_ao_nodes, d_ao_weights = composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(bounds)
316
317     # outer integral envelope function
318     z_ao_nodes = (d_ao_nodes - delta_ao) / sigma_o
319     G_ao_nodes = stats.norm.pdf(z_ao_nodes) / sigma_o
320
321     # perform integrals
322     rho_integral = np.zeros((3, 3), dtype=complex)
323     for d_ao, d_ao_w, G_ao in zip(d_ao_nodes, d_ao_weights, G_ao_nodes):
324         # generate inner integral nodes and weights
325         bounds = [
326             delta_amu,
327             delta_amu - sigma_mu,
328             delta_amu + sigma_mu,
329             delta_amu - 3*sigma_mu,
330             delta_amu + 3*sigma_mu,
331             delta_amu - 10*sigma_mu,
332             delta_amu + 10*sigma_mu,
333             delta_mu,
334             delta_mu - gamma_2d,
335             delta_mu + gamma_2d,
336             delta_mu - 5*gamma_2d,
337             delta_mu + 5*gamma_2d,
338             delta_amu_degenerate(d_ao)
339         ]
340         d_amu_nodes, d_amu_weights = composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(bounds)
341
342         # inner integral envelope function
343         z_amu_nodes = (d_amu_nodes - delta_amu) / sigma_mu
344         G_amu_nodes = stats.norm.pdf(z_amu_nodes) / sigma_mu
345
346         # perform inner integral
347         for d_amu, d_amu_w, G_amu in zip(d_amu_nodes, d_amu_weights, G_amu_nodes):
348             rho = rho_fewer_args(d_ao, d_amu)
349             rho_integral += G_ao * G_amu * rho * d_ao_w * d_amu_w
350
351     return rho_integral
352
353 def alpha_beta_langevin_differential(N_o, N_mu, g_o, g_mu, Omega, gamma_12, gamma_13,
354                                     gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_muc,
355                                     gamma_mui,
356                                     gamma_oc, gamma_oi, n_bath, delta_mu, delta_o,
357                                     delta_amu,
358                                     delta_ao, sigma_mu, sigma_o, alpha, beta,
359                                     alpha_in, beta_in,
360                                     use_rho_ji=True):
361     rho_steady = rho_steady_state_ensemble(
362         g_o=g_o,
363         g_mu=g_mu,
364         Omega=Omega,
365         gamma_12=gamma_12,
366         gamma_13=gamma_13,
367         gamma_23=gamma_23,
368         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
369         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
370         n_bath=n_bath,
371         delta_mu=delta_mu,
372         delta_o=delta_o,
373         delta_amu=delta_amu,
374         delta_ao=delta_ao,
375         sigma_mu=sigma_mu,
376         sigma_o=sigma_o,
377         alpha=alpha,
378         beta=beta
379     )
380     S12 = N_mu * g_mu * (rho_steady[1,0] if use_rho_ji else rho_steady[0,1])

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378     S13 = N_o * g_o * (rho_steady[2,0] if use_rho_ji else rho_steady[0,2])
379     alpha_diff = 1j*delta_o*alpha - 1j*S13 - (gamma_oc+gamma_oi)*alpha/2 +
np.sqrt(gamma_oc)*alpha_in
380     beta_diff = 1j*delta_mu*beta - 1j*S12 - (gamma_muc+gamma_mui)*beta/2 +
np.sqrt(gamma_muc)*beta_in
381     return alpha_diff, beta_diff
382
383 def alpha_beta_steady_state(N_o, N_mu, g_o, g_mu, Omega, gamma_12, gamma_13,
384                             gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_muc, gamma_mui,
385                             gamma_oc, gamma_oi, n_bath, delta_mu, delta_o, delta_amu,
386                             delta_ao, sigma_mu, sigma_o, alpha_in, beta_in,
use_rho_ji=True):
387     def root_function(alpha_beta_vec):
388         alpha_r = alpha_beta_vec[0]
389         alpha_i = alpha_beta_vec[1]
390         beta_r = alpha_beta_vec[2]
391         beta_i = alpha_beta_vec[3]
392         alpha = alpha_r + 1j*alpha_i
393         beta = beta_r + 1j*beta_i
394         alpha_res, beta_res = alpha_beta_langevin_differential(
395             N_o=N_o,
396             N_mu=N_mu,
397             g_o=g_o,
398             g_mu=g_mu,
399             Omega=Omega,
400             gamma_12=gamma_12,
401             gamma_13=gamma_13,
402             gamma_23=gamma_23,
403             gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
404             gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
405             gamma_muc=gamma_muc,
406             gamma_mui=gamma_mui,
407             gamma_oc=gamma_oc,
408             gamma_oi=gamma_oi,
409             n_bath=n_bath,
410             delta_mu=delta_mu,
411             delta_o=delta_o,
412             delta_amu=delta_amu,
413             delta_ao=delta_ao,
414             sigma_mu=sigma_mu,
415             sigma_o=sigma_o,
416             alpha=alpha,
417             beta=beta,
418             alpha_in=alpha_in,
419             beta_in=beta_in,
420             use_rho_ji=use_rho_ji
421         )
422         alpha_beta_res_vec = np.zeros(4, dtype=float)
423         alpha_beta_res_vec[0] = np.real(alpha_res)
424         alpha_beta_res_vec[1] = np.imag(alpha_res)
425         alpha_beta_res_vec[2] = np.real(beta_res)
426         alpha_beta_res_vec[3] = np.imag(beta_res)
427         return alpha_beta_res_vec
428
429     # initial guess for root-finding; root for zero atomic interaction
430     alpha_0 = alpha_in*np.sqrt(gamma_oc) / ((gamma_oi+gamma_oc)/2 - 1j*delta_o)
431     beta_0 = beta_in*np.sqrt(gamma_muc) / ((gamma_mui+gamma_muc)/2 - 1j*delta_mu)
432
433     # perform root finding
434     x0 = np.zeros(4, dtype=float)
435     x0[0] = np.real(alpha_0)
436     x0[1] = np.imag(alpha_0)
437     x0[2] = np.real(beta_0)
438     x0[3] = np.imag(beta_0)
439     result = optimize.root(root_function, x0=x0, tol=1e-12)
440

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441     # restore result to complex numbers
442     alpha_r = result.x[0]
443     alpha_i = result.x[1]
444     beta_r = result.x[2]
445     beta_i = result.x[3]
446     alpha = alpha_r + 1j*alpha_i
447     beta = beta_r + 1j*beta_i
448
449     return (alpha, beta), result

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## C.2 Four-Level Transduction

This Python code implements the four-level transduction model in Chapter 3. When imported into a Python script, it expects to be able to save and load a file into a directory called `result-cache`. When run as a script, it does the aforementioned saving and loading and nothing else. The notation in this code differs from that in this thesis, mainly in that the 23, 13, 24, and 14 transitions are labelled  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $D$ , and  $E$  respectively. Additionally,  $\delta_p$  is instead called  $\delta_B$ .

```

1  import numpy as np
2  from scipy import signal
3  import sympy
4  import pickle
5  import os
6
7  # fundamental constants
8
9  hbar = 1.054571817e-34
10 kB = 1.380649e-23
11
12 # flattening and unflattening of density matrices
13
14 unflatten = np.array([
15     [ 0,  1,  2,  3],
16     [ 4,  5,  6,  7],
17     [ 8,  9, 10, 11],
18     [12, 13, 14, 15]
19 ])
20
21 flatten_i = np.zeros(16, dtype=int)
22 flatten_j = np.zeros(16, dtype=int)
23 for i in range(4):
24     for j in range(4):
25         k = unflatten[i,j]
26         flatten_i[k] = i
27         flatten_j[k] = j
28 flatten = (flatten_i, flatten_j)
29
30 # computer algebra for Liouvillian matrix
31
32 s11 = sympy.Matrix([[1,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0]])
33 s12 = sympy.Matrix([[0,1,0,0],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0]])
34 s13 = sympy.Matrix([[0,0,1,0],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0]])
35 s14 = sympy.Matrix([[0,0,0,1],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0],[0,0,0,0]])
36 s21 = s12.T
37 s31 = s13.T
38 s41 = s14.T
39 s22 = s21*s12
40 s23 = s21*s13
41 s24 = s21*s14
42 s32 = s23.T
43 s42 = s24.T
44 s33 = s31*s13
45 s34 = s31*s14

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46 s43 = s34.T
47 s44 = s43*s34
48
49 omega12 = sympy.symbols('omega_12', real=True)
50 delta_B = sympy.symbols('delta_B', real=True)
51 delta_mu = sympy.symbols('delta_mu', real=True)
52 Omega_mu = sympy.symbols('Omega_mu')
53 Omega_A = sympy.symbols('Omega_A')
54 Omega_B = sympy.symbols('Omega_B')
55 Omega_D = sympy.symbols('Omega_D')
56 Omega_E = sympy.symbols('Omega_E')
57
58 gamma12, gamma13, gamma14 = sympy.symbols('gamma_1(2:5)', real=True)
59 gamma23, gamma24 = sympy.symbols('gamma_2(3:5)', real=True)
60 gamma34 = sympy.symbols('gamma_34', real=True)
61 gamma2d, gamma3d, gamma4d = sympy.symbols('gamma_(2:5)d', real=True)
62 nbath_12 = sympy.symbols('n_12', real=True)
63 nbath_34 = sympy.symbols('n_34', real=True)
64
65 H = Omega_A*s32 + Omega_B*s31 + Omega_D*s42 + Omega_E*s41 + Omega_mu*s43
66 H += H.H
67 H += omega12*s22 + delta_B*s33 + (delta_B+delta_mu)*s44
68
69 def loss_superoperator(rho):
70     L12 = gamma12*(nbath_12+1)/2 * (2*s12*rho*s21 - s22*rho - rho*s22)
71     L21 = gamma12*nbath_12/2 * (2*s21*rho*s12 - s11*rho - rho*s11)
72     L13 = gamma13/2 * (2*s13*rho*s31 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
73     L14 = gamma14/2 * (2*s14*rho*s41 - s44*rho - rho*s44)
74     L23 = gamma23/2 * (2*s23*rho*s32 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
75     L24 = gamma24/2 * (2*s24*rho*s42 - s44*rho - rho*s44)
76     L34 = gamma34*(nbath_34+1)/2 * (2*s34*rho*s43 - s44*rho - rho*s44)
77     L43 = gamma34*nbath_34/2 * (2*s43*rho*s34 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
78     L2d = gamma2d/2 * (2*s22*rho*s22 - s22*rho - rho*s22)
79     L3d = gamma3d/2 * (2*s33*rho*s33 - s33*rho - rho*s33)
80     L4d = gamma4d/2 * (2*s44*rho*s44 - s44*rho - rho*s44)
81     return L12 + L21 + L13 + L14 + L23 + L24 + L34 + L43 + L2d + L3d + L4d
82
83 def liouvillian_superoperator(rho):
84     return -sympy.I*(H*rho-rho*H) + loss_superoperator(rho)
85
86 # construct Liouvillian matrix
87 L = sympy.zeros(16)
88 for column, (icol, jcol) in enumerate(zip(*flatten)):
89     # basis matrix
90     rho = sympy.zeros(4)
91     rho[icol,jcol] = 1
92
93     # get column of supermatrix
94     L_column = liouvillian_superoperator(rho)
95     for row, (irow, jrow) in enumerate(zip(*flatten)):
96         L[row,column] = L_column[irow,jrow]
97
98 # matrix to convert complex Hermitian to real nonsymmetric
99 C = sympy.zeros(16)
100 for k in range(4):
101     ik = unflatten[k,k]
102     C[ik,ik] = 1
103 for j in range(3):
104     for k in range(j+1, 4):
105         ij = unflatten[j,k]
106         ik = unflatten[k,j]
107         C[ij,ij] = sympy.Rational(1, 2)
108         C[ij,ik] = sympy.Rational(1, 2)
109         C[ik,ij] = -sympy.I/2
110         C[ik,ik] = sympy.I/2
111

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112 # Liouvillian matrix converted to real
113 C_inv = C.inv()
114 Lreal = sympy.re(C*L*C.inv())
115
116 # lambdified functions
117 def short_lambdify(params, expr):
118     return sympy.lambdify(params, expr, 'numpy', cse=True, docstring_limit=0)
119
120 Hsymbols = (omega12, delta_B, delta_mu, Omega_mu,
121             Omega_A, Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E)
122 Lsymbols = Hsymbols + (gamma12, gamma13, gamma14, gamma23, gamma24, gamma34,
123                       gamma2d, gamma3d, gamma4d, nbath_12, nbath_34)
124 Hfunc = short_lambdify(Hsymbols, H)
125 Lrealfunc = short_lambdify(Lsymbols, Lreal)
126
127 # gross hack to get numerical matrices from sympy
128 x = sympy.symbols('x')
129 complex_to_real = short_lambdify(x, C)(None)
130 real_to_complex = short_lambdify(x, C_inv)(None)
131
132 # discriminant symbolic and lambdified functions for numerical methods
133
134 def expr_to_poly_coeffs(expr, x):
135     poly = sympy.poly(expr, x)
136     n = poly.degree(x)
137     coeffs = sympy.zeros(n+1, 1)
138     for (k,), coeff in zip(poly.monoms(), poly.coeffs()):
139         coeffs[k] = coeff
140     return coeffs
141
142 def diff_poly_coeffs(coeffs):
143     n = coeffs.shape[0]-1
144     diff_coeffs = sympy.zeros(n, 1)
145     for k in range(1, n+1):
146         diff_coeffs[k-1,0] = sympy.Integer(k)*coeffs[k,0]
147     return diff_coeffs
148
149 # restore the symbolic expressions from a cache, if it exists
150 fname = 'result-cache/Delta_expr.pkl'
151 if os.path.isfile(fname):
152     with open(fname, 'rb') as f:
153         Delta_expr = pickle.load(f)
154         Delta = Delta_expr['Delta']
155         Delta_coeffs_delta_B = Delta_expr['Delta_coeffs_delta_B']
156         Delta_coeffs_delta_mu = Delta_expr['Delta_coeffs_delta_mu']
157         dmu_Delta = Delta_expr['dmu_Delta']
158         dmu_Delta_coeffs_delta_B = Delta_expr['dmu_Delta_coeffs_delta_B']
159         dmu_Delta_coeffs_delta_mu = Delta_expr['dmu_Delta_coeffs_delta_mu']
160         dB_Delta = Delta_expr['dB_Delta']
161         dB_Delta_coeffs_delta_B = Delta_expr['dB_Delta_coeffs_delta_B']
162         dB_Delta_coeffs_delta_mu = Delta_expr['dB_Delta_coeffs_delta_mu']
163         d2mu_Delta = Delta_expr['d2mu_Delta']
164         d2B_Delta = Delta_expr['d2B_Delta']
165 else:
166     # compute the discriminant Delta of the characteristic polynomial
167     # of the Hamiltonian; this slightly convoluted method of using
168     # a generic quartic is faster than the obvious way
169     print('Computing the symbolic polynomial coefficients of the discriminant')
170     print('This takes about 20 minutes on my machine, so get ready to wait')
171     print(f'The result will be saved as {fname} to be re-used in future builds')
172     a = [a0, a1, a2, a3, a4] = sympy.symbols('a_(0:5)', real=True)
173     x = sympy.symbols('x', real=True)
174     poly = sympy.poly(a4*x**4 + a3*x**3 + a2*x**2 + a1*x + a0, x)
175     Delta = poly.discriminant()
176     charpoly = H.charpoly()
177     for (k,), coeff in zip(charpoly.monoms(), charpoly.coeffs()):

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178     Delta = Delta.subs(a[k], coeff)
179
180     # compute various polynomial coefficients and derivatives of Delta
181     Delta_coefs_delta_B = expr_to_poly_coefs(Delta, delta_B)
182     Delta_coefs_delta_mu = expr_to_poly_coefs(Delta, delta_mu)
183     dmu_Delta = sympy.diff(Delta, delta_mu)
184     dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_B = sympy.diff(Delta_coefs_delta_B, delta_mu)
185     dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_mu = diff_poly_coefs(Delta_coefs_delta_mu)
186     dB_Delta = sympy.diff(Delta, delta_B)
187     dB_Delta_coefs_delta_B = diff_poly_coefs(Delta_coefs_delta_B)
188     dB_Delta_coefs_delta_mu = sympy.diff(Delta_coefs_delta_mu, delta_B)
189     d2mu_Delta = sympy.diff(Delta, delta_mu, 2)
190     d2B_Delta = sympy.diff(Delta, delta_B, 2)
191     Delta_expr = {
192         'Delta': Delta,
193         'Delta_coefs_delta_B': Delta_coefs_delta_B,
194         'Delta_coefs_delta_mu': Delta_coefs_delta_mu,
195         'dmu_Delta': dmu_Delta,
196         'dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_B': dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_B,
197         'dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_mu': dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_mu,
198         'dB_Delta': dB_Delta,
199         'dB_Delta_coefs_delta_B': dB_Delta_coefs_delta_B,
200         'dB_Delta_coefs_delta_mu': dB_Delta_coefs_delta_mu,
201         'd2mu_Delta': d2mu_Delta,
202         'd2B_Delta': d2B_Delta
203     }
204     with open(fname, 'wb') as f:
205         pickle.dump(Delta_expr, f)
206
207     H_symbols_common = (omega12, Omega_A, Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E, Omega_mu)
208     H_symbols_no_dB = H_symbols_common + (delta_mu,)
209     H_symbols_no_dmu = H_symbols_common + (delta_B,)
210     H_symbols_all = Hsymbols
211
212     # lambdify these expressions; this can't be pickled
213     Delta_func = short_lambdify(H_symbols_all, Delta)
214     Delta_coefs_delta_B_func = short_lambdify(H_symbols_no_dB,
215                                               Delta_coefs_delta_B)
216     Delta_coefs_delta_mu_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_no_dmu,
217                                               Delta_coefs_delta_mu)
218     dmu_Delta_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_all, dmu_Delta)
219     dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_B_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_no_dB,
220                                                  dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_B)
221     dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_mu_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_no_dmu,
222                                                  dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_mu)
223     dB_Delta_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_all, dB_Delta)
224     dB_Delta_coefs_delta_B_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_no_dB,
225                                                  dB_Delta_coefs_delta_B)
226     dB_Delta_coefs_delta_mu_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_no_dmu,
227                                                  dB_Delta_coefs_delta_mu)
228     d2mu_Delta_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_all, d2mu_Delta)
229     d2B_Delta_func = sympy.lambdify(H_symbols_all, d2B_Delta)
230
231     # helper function for multivariate normal distribution; scipy's has a bad API
232
233     def multivariate_normal_pdf(Sigma, *args):
234         d = len(args)
235         x = np.array(args)
236         coef = 1 / np.sqrt((2*np.pi)**d * np.linalg.det(Sigma))
237
238         # permutation sending the first dimension to the second-last
239         axes = list(range(x.ndim))
240         axes[0] = -2
241         axes[-2] = 0
242
243         xDivSigma = np.linalg.solve(Sigma, np.transpose(x, axes=axes))

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244     xDivSigma = np.transpose(xDivSigma, axes=axes)
245
246     return coef * np.exp(-np.einsum('i...,i...', x, xDivSigma)/2)
247
248 # computes a grid of atom output signal, without multisampling
249
250 def rho_steady_state(omega_12, omega_34, delta_B, delta_mu, Omega_A,
251                    Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E, Omega_mu, tau_12,
252                    tau_34, gamma_13, gamma_14, gamma_23, gamma_24,
253                    gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_4d, T):
254     n_12 = 1 / np.expm1(hbar*omega_12/(kB*T))
255     n_34 = 1 / np.expm1(hbar*omega_34/(kB*T))
256     L = Lrealfunc(
257         omega_12=omega_12,
258         delta_B=delta_B,
259         delta_mu=delta_mu,
260         Omega_A=Omega_A,
261         Omega_B=Omega_B,
262         Omega_D=Omega_D,
263         Omega_E=Omega_E,
264         Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
265         gamma_12=1/(tau_12*(n_12+1)),
266         gamma_13=gamma_13,
267         gamma_14=gamma_14,
268         gamma_23=gamma_23,
269         gamma_24=gamma_24,
270         gamma_34=1/(tau_34*(n_34+1)),
271         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
272         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
273         gamma_4d=gamma_4d,
274         n_12=n_12,
275         n_34=n_34
276     )
277     L[0,:] = np.identity(4)[flatten]
278
279     b = np.zeros(16)
280     b[0] = 1
281
282     rho_real = np.linalg.solve(L, b)
283     rho = real_to_complex @ rho_real
284     return rho[unflatten]
285
286 def atom_signal(omega_12, omega_34, delta_B, delta_mu, Omega_A,
287               Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E, Omega_mu, tau_12, tau_34,
288               gamma_13, gamma_14, gamma_23, gamma_24, C_14,
289               C_24, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_4d, T):
290     rho = rho_steady_state(
291         omega_12=omega_12,
292         omega_34=omega_34,
293         delta_B=delta_B,
294         delta_mu=delta_mu,
295         Omega_A=Omega_A,
296         Omega_B=Omega_B,
297         Omega_D=Omega_D,
298         Omega_E=Omega_E,
299         Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
300         tau_12=tau_12,
301         tau_34=tau_34,
302         gamma_13=gamma_13,
303         gamma_14=gamma_14,
304         gamma_23=gamma_23,
305         gamma_24=gamma_24,
306         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
307         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
308         gamma_4d=gamma_4d,
309         T=T

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310     )
311
312     signal_D = C_24 * rho[3,1]
313     signal_E = C_14 * rho[3,0]
314     photon_rate_out = np.abs(signal_D + signal_E)**2
315     return photon_rate_out
316
317 def atom_scan(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points,
318              delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points,
319              omega_12, omega_34, Omega_A, Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E,
320              Omega_mu, tau_12, tau_34, gamma_13, gamma_14, C_14, C_24,
321              gamma_23, gamma_24, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_4d, T):
322     delta_mu = np.linspace(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points)
323     delta_B = np.linspace(delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points)
324     delta_mu, delta_B = np.meshgrid(delta_mu, delta_B, indexing='ij')
325
326     scan = np.zeros_like(delta_mu)
327     for i in range(scan.shape[0]):
328         for j in range(scan.shape[1]):
329             scan[i,j] = atom_signal(
330                 omega_12=omega_12,
331                 omega_34=omega_34,
332                 delta_B=delta_B[i,j],
333                 delta_mu=delta_mu[i,j],
334                 Omega_A=Omega_A,
335                 Omega_B=Omega_B,
336                 Omega_D=Omega_D,
337                 Omega_E=Omega_E,
338                 Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
339                 tau_12=tau_12,
340                 tau_34=tau_34,
341                 gamma_13=gamma_13,
342                 gamma_14=gamma_14,
343                 gamma_23=gamma_23,
344                 gamma_24=gamma_24,
345                 gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
346                 gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
347                 gamma_4d=gamma_4d,
348                 C_14=C_14,
349                 C_24=C_24,
350                 T=T
351             )
352
353     return delta_mu, delta_B, scan
354
355 # multisampling functions
356
357 def poly_real_roots(poly_coeffs):
358     poly = np.polynomial.Polynomial(poly_coeffs)
359     roots = poly.roots()
360     real_roots = np.array([np.real(x) for x in roots if np.imag(x)==0])
361     return real_roots
362
363 def poly_positive_minima(poly_func, diff_coeffs):
364     critical_x = poly_real_roots(diff_coeffs)
365     critical_y = poly_func(critical_x)
366
367     # base cases
368     if len(critical_x) == 0:
369         return []
370     if len(critical_x) <= 1:
371         return critical_x
372
373     minima = []
374
375     # check if leftmost critical point is minimum

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376     if critical_y[0] < critical_y[1]:
377         minima.append(critical_x[0])
378
379     # check for minima between critical points
380     for i in range(len(critical_x)-2):
381         y1 = critical_y[i]
382         x2 = critical_x[i+1]
383         y2 = critical_y[i+1]
384         y3 = critical_y[i+2]
385         if y1 > y2 and y3 > y2:
386             minima.append(x2)
387
388     # check if rightmost critical point is minimum
389     if critical_y[-1] < critical_y[-2]:
390         minima.append(critical_x[-1])
391
392     return minima
393
394 def H_get_minimal_delta_B(omega_12, delta_mu, Omega_A,
395                          Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E, Omega_mu):
396     # minima along delta_B
397     dB_Delta_coeffs = dB_Delta_coeffs_delta_B_func(
398         omega_12=omega_12,
399         delta_mu=delta_mu,
400         Omega_A=Omega_A,
401         Omega_B=Omega_B,
402         Omega_D=Omega_D,
403         Omega_E=Omega_E,
404         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
405    )[: ,0]
406     Delta_short_func = lambda delta_B: Delta_func(
407         omega_12=omega_12,
408         delta_mu=delta_mu,
409         delta_B=delta_B,
410         Omega_A=Omega_A,
411         Omega_B=Omega_B,
412         Omega_D=Omega_D,
413         Omega_E=Omega_E,
414         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
415     )
416     minima = list(poly_positive_minima(Delta_short_func, dB_Delta_coeffs))
417     is_parallel = [True]*len(minima)
418
419     # minima along delta_mu
420     dmu_Delta_coeffs = dmu_Delta_coeffs_delta_B_func(
421         omega_12=omega_12,
422         delta_mu=delta_mu,
423         Omega_A=Omega_A,
424         Omega_B=Omega_B,
425         Omega_D=Omega_D,
426         Omega_E=Omega_E,
427         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
428    )[: ,0]
429     roots = poly_real_roots(dmu_Delta_coeffs)
430     for root in roots:
431         curvature = d2mu_Delta_func(
432             omega_12=omega_12,
433             delta_mu=delta_mu,
434             delta_B=root,
435             Omega_A=Omega_A,
436             Omega_B=Omega_B,
437             Omega_D=Omega_D,
438             Omega_E=Omega_E,
439             Omega_mu=Omega_mu
440         )
441         if curvature >= 0:

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442         minima.append(root)
443         is_parallel.append(False)
444
445     return minima, is_parallel
446
447 def H_get_minimal_delta_mu(omega_12, delta_B, Omega_A,
448                             Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E, Omega_mu):
449     # minima along delta_mu
450     dmu_Delta_coefs = dmu_Delta_coefs_delta_mu_func(
451         omega_12=omega_12,
452         delta_B=delta_B,
453         Omega_A=Omega_A,
454         Omega_B=Omega_B,
455         Omega_D=Omega_D,
456         Omega_E=Omega_E,
457         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
458    )[: ,0]
459     Delta_short_func = lambda delta_mu: Delta_func(
460         omega_12=omega_12,
461         delta_mu=delta_mu,
462         delta_B=delta_B,
463         Omega_A=Omega_A,
464         Omega_B=Omega_B,
465         Omega_D=Omega_D,
466         Omega_E=Omega_E,
467         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
468     )
469     minima = list(poly_positive_minima(Delta_short_func, dmu_Delta_coefs))
470     is_parallel = [True]*len(minima)
471
472     # minima along delta_mu
473     dB_Delta_coefs = dB_Delta_coefs_delta_mu_func(
474         omega_12=omega_12,
475         delta_B=delta_B,
476         Omega_A=Omega_A,
477         Omega_B=Omega_B,
478         Omega_D=Omega_D,
479         Omega_E=Omega_E,
480         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
481    )[: ,0]
482     roots = poly_real_roots(dB_Delta_coefs)
483     for root in roots:
484         curvature = d2B_Delta_func(
485             omega_12=omega_12,
486             delta_mu=root,
487             delta_B=delta_B,
488             Omega_A=Omega_A,
489             Omega_B=Omega_B,
490             Omega_D=Omega_D,
491             Omega_E=Omega_E,
492             Omega_mu=Omega_mu
493         )
494         if curvature >= 0:
495             minima.append(root)
496             is_parallel.append(False)
497
498     return minima, is_parallel
499
500 def find_curve_pixel_intersections(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points,
501                                     delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points,
502                                     omega_12, Omega_A, Omega_B,
503                                     Omega_D, Omega_E, Omega_mu):
504     def linspace_edges(start, stop, count):
505         dx = (stop-start) / (count-1)
506         edges = np.linspace(start-dx/2, stop+dx/2, count+1)
507         return edges

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508
509 delta_mu_edges = linspace_edges(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points)
510 delta_B_edges = linspace_edges(delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points)
511 delta_mu_edges_min, delta_mu_edges_max = delta_mu_edges[0], delta_mu_edges[-1]
512 delta_B_edges_min, delta_B_edges_max = delta_B_edges[0], delta_B_edges[-1]
513
514 intersection_points = []
515 intersecting_pixels = dict()
516 is_parallel = []
517
518 for i, dmu in enumerate(delta_mu_edges):
519     dBs, paras = H_get_minimal_delta_B(
520         omega_12=omega_12,
521         delta_mu=dmu,
522         Omega_A=Omega_A,
523         Omega_B=Omega_B,
524         Omega_D=Omega_D,
525         Omega_E=Omega_E,
526         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
527     )
528     for dB, para in zip(dBs, paras):
529         if not delta_B_edges_min <= dB <= delta_B_edges_max:
530             continue
531         point = (dmu, dB)
532         intersection_points.append((dmu, dB))
533         is_parallel.append(para)
534
535         j = int(delta_B_points * (dB-delta_B_edges_min) /
536 (delta_B_edges_max-delta_B_edges_min))
537         if i > 0:
538             if (i-1,j) not in intersecting_pixels:
539                 intersecting_pixels[i-1,j] = []
540                 intersecting_pixels[i-1,j].append(point)
541         if i < delta_mu_points:
542             if (i,j) not in intersecting_pixels:
543                 intersecting_pixels[i,j] = []
544                 intersecting_pixels[i,j].append(point)
545
546 for j, dB in enumerate(delta_B_edges):
547     dmus, paras = H_get_minimal_delta_mu(
548         omega_12=omega_12,
549         delta_B=dB,
550         Omega_A=Omega_A,
551         Omega_B=Omega_B,
552         Omega_D=Omega_D,
553         Omega_E=Omega_E,
554         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
555     )
556     for dmu, para in zip(dmus, paras):
557         if not delta_mu_edges_min <= dmu <= delta_mu_edges_max:
558             continue
559         point = (dmu, dB)
560         intersection_points.append((dmu, dB))
561         is_parallel.append(para)
562
563         i = int(delta_mu_points * (dmu-delta_mu_edges_min) /
564 (delta_mu_edges_max-delta_mu_edges_min))
565         if j > 0:
566             if (i,j-1) not in intersecting_pixels:
567                 intersecting_pixels[i,j-1] = []
568                 intersecting_pixels[i,j-1].append(point)
569         if j < delta_B_points:
570             if (i,j) not in intersecting_pixels:
571                 intersecting_pixels[i,j] = []
572                 intersecting_pixels[i,j].append(point)

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572     return delta_mu_edges, delta_B_edges, intersection_points, intersecting_pixels,
        is_parallel
573
574 # precompute Gauss-Lobatto quadrature nodes and weights
575 gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights = dict()
576 for n in range(2, 100):
577     legendre_coeffs = (0,)*(n-1) + (1,)
578     legendre_poly = np.polynomial.Legendre(legendre_coeffs)
579     nodes = legendre_poly.deriv().roots()
580     nodes = np.concatenate([[ -1.0], nodes, [ 1.0]])
581     weights = 2 / (n*(n-1)*legendre_poly(nodes)**2)
582
583     # convert from [-1, 1] to [0, 1]
584     nodes = (nodes+1)/2
585     weights = weights/2
586
587     gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights[n] = (nodes, weights)
588
589 def composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(n, a, b, intermediates=[]):
590     if n not in gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights:
591         raise ValueError
592     if a >= b:
593         raise ValueError
594
595     intermediates = [x for x in intermediates if a < x < b]
596     points = sorted([a, b] + intermediates)
597     num_points = len(points)
598     base_nodes, base_weights = gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights[n]
599     if num_points == 2:
600         L = points[1] - points[0]
601         nodes = points[0] + base_nodes*L
602         weights = base_weights*L
603         return nodes, weights
604
605     count = (num_points-1)*(n-1) + 1
606     nodes = np.zeros(count)
607     weights = np.zeros(count)
608
609     # first and last node
610     nodes[0] = points[0]
611     weights[0] = base_weights[0] * (points[1]-points[0])
612     nodes[-1] = points[-1]
613     weights[-1] = base_weights[-1] * (points[-1]-points[-2])
614     filled = 2
615
616     # nodes at intermediate points
617     for i in range(1, num_points-1):
618         nodes[filled] = points[i]
619         weights[filled] = base_weights[-1]*(points[i]-points[i-1])
620         weights[filled] += base_weights[0]*(points[i+1]-points[i])
621         filled += 1
622
623     # nodes between points
624     if n == 2:
625         return nodes, weights
626     for i in range(num_points-1):
627         L = points[i+1]-points[i]
628         nodes[filled:filled+n-2] = points[i] + base_nodes[1:-1]*L
629         weights[filled:filled+n-2] = base_weights[1:-1]*L
630         filled += n-2
631
632     return nodes, weights
633
634 def atom_signal_integrated(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_B_min, delta_B_max,
635     edge_points, omega_12, omega_34, Omega_A, Omega_B,
        Omega_D,

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636             Omega_E, Omega_mu, tau_12, tau_34, gamma_13, gamma_14,
637             gamma_23, gamma_24, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_4d, C_14,
C_24, T):
638     outer_order = 5
639     inner_order = 10
640
641     delta_B_linewidth = gamma_3d
642     delta_mu_linewidth = gamma_3d + gamma_4d
643
644     area = (delta_mu_max-delta_mu_min) * (delta_B_max-delta_B_min)
645
646     def lerp(a, b, t):
647         return a + t*(b-a)
648     def ilerp(a, b, x):
649         return (x-a)/(b-a)
650
651     def normalise_delta_mu(delta_mu):
652         return ilerp(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu)
653     def unnormalise_delta_mu(t):
654         return lerp(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, t)
655     def normalise_delta_B(delta_B):
656         return ilerp(delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B)
657     def unnormalise_delta_B(t):
658         return lerp(delta_B_min, delta_B_max, t)
659
660     def bounds_range(array):
661         if len(array) == 0:
662             return [], 0
663         if len(array) == 1:
664             return list(array), 0
665
666         a = np.min(array)
667         b = np.max(array)
668         return [a, b], b-a
669
670     def atom_signal_short(delta_mu, delta_B):
671         return atom_signal(
672             omega_12=omega_12,
673             omega_34=omega_34,
674             delta_mu=delta_mu,
675             delta_B=delta_B,
676             Omega_A=Omega_A,
677             Omega_B=Omega_B,
678             Omega_D=Omega_D,
679             Omega_E=Omega_E,
680             Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
681             tau_12=tau_12,
682             tau_34=tau_34,
683             gamma_13=gamma_13,
684             gamma_14=gamma_14,
685             gamma_23=gamma_23,
686             gamma_24=gamma_24,
687             gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
688             gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
689             gamma_4d=gamma_4d,
690             C_14=C_14,
691             C_24=C_24,
692             T=T,
693         )
694
695     edge_mu_points = [x[0] for x in edge_points]
696     edge_B_points = [x[1] for x in edge_points]
697
698     # get direction for outer integral
699     if len(edge_points) == 0:
700         outer = 'delta_mu' # arbitrary

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701 elif len(edge_points) == 1:
702     edge_mu = edge_mu_points[0]
703     edge_B = edge_B_points[0]
704     if normalise_delta_mu(edge_mu) > normalise_delta_B(edge_B):
705         outer = 'delta_mu'
706     else:
707         outer = 'delta_B'
708 else:
709     edge_mu_min = np.min(edge_mu_points)
710     edge_mu_max = np.max(edge_mu_points)
711     edge_B_min = np.min(edge_B_points)
712     edge_B_max = np.max(edge_B_points)
713     width_mu = (edge_mu_max-edge_mu_min) / (delta_mu_max-delta_mu_min)
714     width_B = (edge_B_max-edge_B_min) / (delta_B_max-delta_B_min)
715     if width_mu > width_B:
716         outer = 'delta_mu'
717     else:
718         outer = 'delta_B'
719
720 # orientation-neutral definitions
721 def atom_signal_short_neutral(delta_outer, delta_inner):
722     if outer == 'delta_mu':
723         delta_mu = delta_outer
724         delta_B = delta_inner
725     else:
726         delta_mu = delta_inner
727         delta_B = delta_outer
728     return atom_signal_short(delta_mu, delta_B)
729
730 def H_get_minimal_delta_inner(delta_outer):
731     if outer == 'delta_mu':
732         return H_get_minimal_delta_B(
733             omega_12=omega_12,
734             delta_mu=delta_outer,
735             Omega_A=Omega_A,
736             Omega_B=Omega_B,
737             Omega_D=Omega_D,
738             Omega_E=Omega_E,
739             Omega_mu=Omega_mu
740         )
741     else:
742         return H_get_minimal_delta_mu(
743             omega_12=omega_12,
744             delta_B=delta_outer,
745             Omega_A=Omega_A,
746             Omega_B=Omega_B,
747             Omega_D=Omega_D,
748             Omega_E=Omega_E,
749             Omega_mu=Omega_mu
750         )
751
752 if outer == 'delta_mu':
753     delta_outer_min = delta_mu_min
754     delta_outer_max = delta_mu_max
755     delta_inner_min = delta_B_min
756     delta_inner_max = delta_B_max
757     delta_inner_linewidth = delta_B_linewidth
758     edge_outer_points = edge_mu_points
759     edge_inner_points = edge_B_points
760 else:
761     delta_outer_min = delta_B_min
762     delta_outer_max = delta_B_max
763     delta_inner_min = delta_mu_min
764     delta_inner_max = delta_mu_max
765     delta_inner_linewidth = delta_mu_linewidth
766     edge_outer_points = edge_B_points

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767         edge_inner_points = edge_mu_points
768
769     edge_outer_bounds, _ = bounds_range(edge_outer_points)
770
771     # set up diagnostic logging
772     log = {
773         'delta_mu_min': delta_mu_min,
774         'delta_mu_max': delta_mu_max,
775         'delta_B_min': delta_B_min,
776         'delta_B_max': delta_B_max,
777         'edge_points': edge_points,
778         'omega_12': omega_12,
779         'omega_34': omega_34,
780         'Omega_A': Omega_A,
781         'Omega_B': Omega_B,
782         'Omega_D': Omega_D,
783         'Omega_E': Omega_E,
784         'Omega_mu': Omega_mu,
785         'tau_12': tau_12,
786         'tau_34': tau_34,
787         'gamma_13': gamma_13,
788         'gamma_14': gamma_14,
789         'gamma_23': gamma_23,
790         'gamma_24': gamma_24,
791         'gamma_2d': gamma_2d,
792         'gamma_3d': gamma_3d,
793         'gamma_4d': gamma_4d,
794         'C_14': C_14,
795         'C_24': C_24,
796         'T': T,
797         'outer': outer
798     }
799
800     # perform integral
801     integral = 0
802     outer_nodes, outer_weights = composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(
803         outer_order, delta_outer_min, delta_outer_max,
804         intermediates=edge_outer_bounds)
805     log['outer_integral'] = {
806         'intermediates': edge_outer_bounds,
807         'nodes': outer_nodes,
808         'weights': outer_weights,
809         'inner_integrals': []
810     }
811     for outer_node, outer_weight in zip(outer_nodes, outer_weights):
812         inner_intersections, _ = H_get_minimal_delta_inner(outer_node)
813         inner_intermediates = [z*delta_inner_linewidth+x
814                                for x in inner_intersections
815                                for z in (-10, -3, -1, 0, 1, 3, 10)]
816         log_inner_integral = {
817             'intersections': inner_intersections,
818             'intermediates': inner_intermediates
819         }
820         inner_nodes, inner_weights = composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(
821             inner_order, delta_inner_min, delta_inner_max,
822             intermediates=inner_intermediates)
823         log_inner_integral['nodes'] = inner_nodes
824         log_inner_integral['weights'] = inner_weights
825         log_inner_integral['values'] = []
826         for inner_node, inner_weight in zip(inner_nodes, inner_weights):
827             weight = outer_weight * inner_weight
828             sample = atom_signal_short_neutral(outer_node, inner_node) / area
829             log_inner_integral['values'].append(sample)
830             integral += weight * sample
831         log['outer_integral']['inner_integrals'].append(log_inner_integral)

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831     log['integral'] = integral
832     return integral, log
833
834 def atom_scan_integrated(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points,
835                          delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points,
836                          omega_12, omega_34, Omega_A, Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E,
837                          Omega_mu, tau_12, tau_34, gamma_13, gamma_14, gamma_23,
838                          gamma_24, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_4d, C_14, C_24, T):
839
840     (delta_mu_edges,
841      delta_B_edges,
842      intersection_points,
843      intersecting_pixels, _) = find_curve_pixel_intersections(
844         delta_mu_min=delta_mu_min,
845         delta_mu_max=delta_mu_max,
846         delta_mu_points=delta_mu_points,
847         delta_B_min=delta_B_min,
848         delta_B_max=delta_B_max,
849         delta_B_points=delta_B_points,
850         omega_12=omega_12,
851         Omega_A=Omega_A,
852         Omega_B=Omega_B,
853         Omega_D=Omega_D,
854         Omega_E=Omega_E,
855         Omega_mu=Omega_mu
856     )
857
858     scan = np.full((delta_mu_points, delta_B_points), np.nan, dtype=float)
859     logs = dict()
860     for (i,j), edge_points in intersecting_pixels.items():
861         scan[i,j], logs[i,j] = atom_signal_integrated(
862             delta_mu_min=delta_mu_edges[i],
863             delta_mu_max=delta_mu_edges[i+1],
864             delta_B_min=delta_B_edges[j],
865             delta_B_max=delta_B_edges[j+1],
866             edge_points=edge_points,
867             omega_12=omega_12,
868             omega_34=omega_34,
869             Omega_A=Omega_A,
870             Omega_B=Omega_B,
871             Omega_D=Omega_D,
872             Omega_E=Omega_E,
873             Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
874             tau_12=tau_12,
875             tau_34=tau_34,
876             gamma_13=gamma_13,
877             gamma_14=gamma_14,
878             gamma_23=gamma_23,
879             gamma_24=gamma_24,
880             gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
881             gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
882             gamma_4d=gamma_4d,
883             C_14=C_14,
884             C_24=C_24,
885             T=T
886         )
887
888     delta_mu = np.linspace(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points)
889     delta_B = np.linspace(delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points)
890     delta_mu, delta_B = np.meshgrid(delta_mu, delta_B, indexing='ij')
891     for i in range(scan.shape[0]):
892         for j in range(scan.shape[1]):
893             if not np.isnan(scan[i,j]):
894                 continue
895             scan[i,j] = atom_signal(
896                 omega_12=omega_12,

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897         omega_34=omega_34 ,
898         delta_B=delta_B[i,j] ,
899         delta_mu=delta_mu[i,j] ,
900         Omega_A=Omega_A ,
901         Omega_B=Omega_B ,
902         Omega_D=Omega_D ,
903         Omega_E=Omega_E ,
904         Omega_mu=Omega_mu ,
905         tau_12=tau_12 ,
906         tau_34=tau_34 ,
907         gamma_13=gamma_13 ,
908         gamma_14=gamma_14 ,
909         gamma_23=gamma_23 ,
910         gamma_24=gamma_24 ,
911         gamma_2d=gamma_2d ,
912         gamma_3d=gamma_3d ,
913         gamma_4d=gamma_4d ,
914         C_14=C_14 ,
915         C_24=C_24 ,
916         T=T
917     )
918
919     return (delta_mu, delta_B, scan), logs
920
921 def signal_scan(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points,
922               delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points,
923               omega_12, omega_34, Omega_A, Omega_B, Omega_D, Omega_E,
924               Omega_mu, tau_12, tau_34, gamma_13, gamma_14,
925               gamma_23, gamma_24, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, gamma_4d, T,
926               C_14, C_24, Sigma, z_max=5, integrated=True):
927     delta_mu_res = (delta_mu_max-delta_mu_min) / (delta_mu_points-1)
928     delta_B_res = (delta_B_max-delta_B_min) / (delta_B_points-1)
929
930     # produce Gaussian filter kernel
931     sigma_13 = np.sqrt(Sigma[0,0])
932     sigma_34 = np.sqrt(Sigma[1,1])
933     sigma_13_px = sigma_13 / delta_B_res
934     sigma_34_px = sigma_34 / delta_mu_res
935     radius_13_px = int(sigma_13_px*z_max)
936     radius_34_px = int(sigma_34_px*z_max)
937     delta_13_points = 2*radius_13_px + 1
938     delta_34_points = 2*radius_34_px + 1
939     delta_13 = np.linspace(-sigma_13*z_max, sigma_13*z_max, delta_13_points)
940     delta_34 = np.linspace(-sigma_34*z_max, sigma_34*z_max, delta_34_points)
941     delta_34, delta_13 = np.meshgrid(delta_34, delta_13, indexing='ij')
942     kernel = multivariate_normal_pdf(Sigma, delta_13, delta_34)
943     kernel /= np.sum(kernel)
944
945     # collect atomic emission data
946     deltap_B_min = delta_B_min - delta_B_res*radius_13_px
947     deltap_B_max = delta_B_max + delta_B_res*radius_13_px
948     deltap_B_points = delta_B_points + delta_13_points - 1
949     deltap_mu_min = delta_mu_min - delta_mu_res*radius_34_px
950     deltap_mu_max = delta_mu_max + delta_mu_res*radius_34_px
951     deltap_mu_points = delta_mu_points + delta_34_points - 1
952
953     if integrated:
954         (_, _, atom_scan), _ = atom_scan_integrated(
955             delta_mu_min=deltap_mu_min,
956             delta_mu_max=deltap_mu_max,
957             delta_mu_points=deltap_mu_points,
958             delta_B_min=deltap_B_min,
959             delta_B_max=deltap_B_max,
960             delta_B_points=deltap_B_points,
961             omega_12=omega_12,
962             omega_34=omega_34,

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963         Omega_A=Omega_A ,
964         Omega_B=Omega_B ,
965         Omega_D=Omega_D ,
966         Omega_E=Omega_E ,
967         Omega_mu=Omega_mu ,
968         tau_12=tau_12 ,
969         tau_34=tau_34 ,
970         gamma_13=gamma_13 ,
971         gamma_14=gamma_14 ,
972         gamma_23=gamma_23 ,
973         gamma_24=gamma_24 ,
974         gamma_2d=gamma_2d ,
975         gamma_3d=gamma_3d ,
976         gamma_4d=gamma_4d ,
977         C_14=C_14 ,
978         C_24=C_24 ,
979         T=T
980     )
981     else:
982         _, _, atom_scan = atom_scan(
983             delta_mu_min=deltap_mu_min ,
984             delta_mu_max=deltap_mu_max ,
985             delta_mu_points=deltap_mu_points ,
986             delta_B_min=deltap_B_min ,
987             delta_B_max=deltap_B_max ,
988             delta_B_points=deltap_B_points ,
989             omega_12=omega_12 ,
990             omega_34=omega_34 ,
991             Omega_A=Omega_A ,
992             Omega_B=Omega_B ,
993             Omega_D=Omega_D ,
994             Omega_E=Omega_E ,
995             Omega_mu=Omega_mu ,
996             tau_12=tau_12 ,
997             tau_34=tau_34 ,
998             gamma_13=gamma_13 ,
999             gamma_14=gamma_14 ,
1000             gamma_23=gamma_23 ,
1001             gamma_24=gamma_24 ,
1002             gamma_2d=gamma_2d ,
1003             gamma_3d=gamma_3d ,
1004             gamma_4d=gamma_4d ,
1005             C_14=C_14 ,
1006             C_24=C_24 ,
1007             T=T
1008         )
1009
1010     # convolve
1011     ensemble_signal = signal.fftconvolve(atom_scan, kernel, mode='valid')
1012
1013     # return results
1014     delta_mu = np.linspace(delta_mu_min, delta_mu_max, delta_mu_points)
1015     delta_B = np.linspace(delta_B_min, delta_B_max, delta_B_points)
1016     delta_mu, delta_B = np.meshgrid(delta_mu, delta_B, indexing='ij')
1017     return delta_mu, delta_B, ensemble_signal

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### C.3 Biphoton Generation

These codes implement the three-level biphoton generation models in Chapter 4.

### C.3.1 Steady State

This Python code implements the steady-state model. When run as a script, it performs root finding for cavity steady-states, and prints the (non-convergent) results of this root finding, for two sets of detuning parameters.

```
1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 from scipy import optimize, stats
4 import sympy
5
6 hbar = 1.054571817e-34
7 kB = 1.380649e-23
8
9 gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights = dict()
10
11 for n in range(2, 100):
12     legendre_coeffs = (0,)*(n-1) + (1,)
13     legendre_poly = np.polynomial.Legendre(legendre_coeffs)
14     nodes = legendre_poly.deriv().roots()
15     nodes = np.concatenate([[ -1.0], nodes, [ 1.0]])
16     weights = 2 / (n*(n-1)*legendre_poly(nodes)**2)
17
18     # convert from [-1, 1] to [0, 1]
19     nodes = (nodes+1)/2
20     weights = weights/2
21
22     gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights[n] = (nodes, weights)
23
24 def composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(n, points):
25     if n not in gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights:
26         raise ValueError
27
28     num_points = len(points)
29     if num_points < 2:
30         raise ValueError
31
32     base_nodes, base_weights = gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights[n]
33     if num_points == 2:
34         L = points[1] - points[0]
35         nodes = points[0] + base_nodes*L
36         weights = base_weights*L
37         return nodes, weights
38
39     count = (num_points-1)*(n-1) + 1
40     nodes = np.zeros(count)
41     weights = np.zeros(count)
42
43     # first and last node
44     nodes[0] = points[0]
45     weights[0] = base_weights[0] * (points[1]-points[0])
46     nodes[1] = points[-1]
47     weights[1] = base_weights[-1] * (points[-1]-points[-2])
48     filled = 2
49
50     # nodes at intermediate points
51     for i in range(1, num_points-1):
52         nodes[filled] = points[i]
53         weights[filled] = base_weights[-1]*(points[i]-points[i-1])
54         weights[filled] += base_weights[0]*(points[i+1]-points[i])
55         filled += 1
56
57     # nodes between points
58     if n == 2:
59         return nodes, weights
60     for i in range(num_points-1):
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61     L = points[i+1]-points[i]
62     nodes[filled:filled+n-2] = points[i] + base_nodes[1:-1]*L
63     weights[filled:filled+n-2] = base_weights[1:-1]*L
64     filled += n-2
65
66     return nodes, weights
67
68 # unit matrices
69 s12 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
70 s13 = sympy.Matrix([[0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
71 s21 = s12.H
72 s31 = s13.H
73 s11 = s12*s21
74 s22 = s21*s12
75 s23 = s21*s13
76 s32 = s23.H
77 s33 = s31*s13
78
79 # Hamiltonians for Lambda-system and V-system
80
81 Omega_p = sympy.symbols('Omega_p')
82 Omega_o = sympy.symbols('Omega_o')
83 Omega_mu = sympy.symbols('Omega_mu')
84 delta_o = sympy.symbols('delta_o', real=True)
85 delta_mu = sympy.symbols('delta_mu', real=True)
86
87 HLambda = s21*Omega_mu + s32*Omega_o + s31*Omega_p
88 HLambda += HLambda.H
89 HLambda += s22*delta_mu + s33*(delta_mu+delta_o)
90
91 HV = s21*Omega_o + s32*Omega_mu + s31*Omega_p
92 HV += HV.H
93 HV += s22*delta_o + s33*(delta_mu+delta_o)
94
95 systems = ('Lambda', 'V')
96 H = {'Lambda': HLambda, 'V': HV}
97
98 # decomposition of Hamiltonians into linear components
99 Omega_or, Omega_oi = sympy.symbols('Omega_or Omega_oi', real=True)
100 Omega_mur, Omega_mui = sympy.symbols('Omega_\\mu\\ r Omega_\\mu\\ i', real=True)
101 subs = [
102     (Omega_o, Omega_or+sympy.I*Omega_oi),
103     (Omega_mu, Omega_mur+sympy.I*Omega_mui)
104 ]
105
106 H_subs = dict()
107 for sys in systems:
108     H_subs[sys] = H[sys].subs(subs)
109
110 H0 = dict()
111 Hor = dict()
112 Hoi = dict()
113 Hmur = dict()
114 Hmui = dict()
115 for sys in systems:
116     H0[sys] = H[sys].subs([(Omega_o, 0), (Omega_mu, 0)])
117     Hor[sys] = sympy.diff(H_subs[sys], Omega_or)
118     Hoi[sys] = sympy.diff(H_subs[sys], Omega_oi)
119     Hmur[sys] = sympy.diff(H_subs[sys], Omega_mur)
120     Hmui[sys] = sympy.diff(H_subs[sys], Omega_mui)
121
122 # discriminant of characteristic polynomial of Hamiltonian
123
124 Delta_poly_coeffs = dict()
125 for sys in systems:
126     Delta = H[sys].charpoly().discriminant()

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127     Delta_poly = sympy.poly(Delta, delta_mu, delta_o)
128     n_delta_mu = Delta_poly.degree(delta_mu)
129     n_delta_o = Delta_poly.degree(delta_o)
130     Delta_poly_coefs[sys] = sympy.zeros(n_delta_mu+1, n_delta_o+1)
131     for (i, j), coeff in zip(Delta_poly.monoms(), Delta_poly.coefs()):
132         Delta_poly_coefs[sys][i,j] = coeff
133
134 # liouvillian superoperators with loss
135
136 gamma_12, gamma_13 = sympy.symbols('gamma_1(2:4)', real=True, negative=False)
137 gamma_23 = sympy.symbols('gamma_23', real=True, negative=False)
138 gamma_2d, gamma_3d = sympy.symbols('gamma_(2:4)d', real=True, negative=False)
139 n_b = sympy.symbols('n_b', real=True, negative=False)
140
141 def loss_operator_common(rho):
142     L13 = gamma_13/2 * (2*s13*rho*s31 - rho*s33 - s33*rho)
143     L2d = gamma_2d/2 * (2*s22*rho*s22 - rho*s22 - s22*rho)
144     L3d = gamma_3d/2 * (2*s33*rho*s33 - rho*s33 - s33*rho)
145     return L13 + L2d + L3d
146
147 def loss_operator_Lambda(rho):
148     L12 = gamma_12*(n_b+1)/2 * (2*s12*rho*s21 - rho*s22 - s22*rho)
149     L21 = gamma_12*n_b/2 * (2*s21*rho*s12 - rho*s11 - s11*rho)
150     L23 = gamma_23/2 * (2*s23*rho*s32 - rho*s33 - s33*rho)
151     return L12 + L21 + L23 + loss_operator_common(rho)
152
153 def loss_operator_V(rho):
154     L12 = gamma_12/2 * (2*s12*rho*s21 - rho*s22 - s22*rho)
155     L23 = gamma_23*(n_b+1)/2 * (2*s23*rho*s32 - rho*s33 - s33*rho)
156     L32 = gamma_23*n_b/2 * (2*s32*rho*s23 - rho*s22 - s22*rho)
157     return L12 + L23 + L32 + loss_operator_common(rho)
158
159 loss_operator = {'Lambda': loss_operator_Lambda, 'V': loss_operator_V}
160
161 def liouvillian_superoperator(H, rho, loss=None):
162     Lrho = -sympy.I*(H*rho - rho*H)
163     if loss is not None:
164         Lrho += loss(rho)
165     return Lrho
166
167 # liouvillian matrices
168 def flattening_indices(order):
169     n = order.shape[0]
170     unflatten = order
171
172     flatten_i = np.zeros(n**2, dtype=int)
173     flatten_j = np.zeros(n**2, dtype=int)
174     for i in range(n):
175         for j in range(n):
176             k = order[i,j]
177             flatten_i[k] = i
178             flatten_j[k] = j
179     flatten = (flatten_i, flatten_j)
180
181     return unflatten, flatten
182
183 def liouvillian_matrix(H, order, loss=None):
184     n = order.shape[0]
185     mtx = sympy.zeros(n**2)
186     for icol in range(n):
187         for jcol in range(n):
188             col = order[icol,jcol]
189             rho = sympy.zeros(n)
190             rho[icol,jcol] = 1
191             Lrho = liouvillian_superoperator(H, rho, loss=loss)
192

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193         for irow in range(n):
194             for jrow in range(n):
195                 row = order[irow,jrow]
196                 mtx[row,col] = Lrho[irow,jrow]
197     return mtx
198
199 order = np.array([
200     [0, 1, 2],
201     [3, 4, 5],
202     [6, 7, 8]
203 ])
204 unflatten, flatten = flattening_indices(order)
205
206 L0 = dict()
207 Lor = dict()
208 Loi = dict()
209 Lmur = dict()
210 Lmui = dict()
211 L = dict()
212 for sys in systems:
213     L0[sys] = liouvillan_matrix(H0[sys], order, loss=loss_operator[sys])
214     Lor[sys] = liouvillan_matrix(Hor[sys], order)
215     Loi[sys] = liouvillan_matrix(Hoi[sys], order)
216     Lmur[sys] = liouvillan_matrix(Hmur[sys], order)
217     Lmui[sys] = liouvillan_matrix(Hmui[sys], order)
218     L[sys] = liouvillan_matrix(H[sys], order, loss=loss_operator[sys])
219
220 # real matrices
221
222 def hermitian_complex_to_real(order):
223     n = order.shape[0]
224     C = sympy.zeros(n**2)
225
226     # diagonals are already real, so keep them as-is
227     for k in range(n):
228         ik = order[k,k]
229         C[ik,ik] = 1
230
231     # transform off-diagonal pairs from (z, z*) to (Re z, Im z)
232     for j in range(n-1):
233         for k in range(j+1, n):
234             i_upper = order[j,k]
235             i_lower = order[k,j]
236             C[i_upper,i_upper] = sympy.Rational(1, 2)
237             C[i_upper,i_lower] = sympy.Rational(1, 2)
238             C[i_lower,i_upper] = -sympy.I/2
239             C[i_lower,i_lower] = sympy.I/2
240
241     return C
242
243 CtoR = hermitian_complex_to_real(order)
244 RtoC = CtoR.inv()
245
246 L0_real = dict()
247 Lor_real = dict()
248 Loi_real = dict()
249 Lmur_real = dict()
250 Lmui_real = dict()
251 L_real = dict()
252 for sys in systems:
253     L0_real[sys] = sympy.re(CtoR * L0[sys] * RtoC)
254     Lor_real[sys] = sympy.re(CtoR * Lor[sys] * RtoC)
255     Loi_real[sys] = sympy.re(CtoR * Loi[sys] * RtoC)
256     Lmur_real[sys] = sympy.re(CtoR * Lmur[sys] * RtoC)
257     Lmui_real[sys] = sympy.re(CtoR * Lmui[sys] * RtoC)
258     L_real[sys] = sympy.re(CtoR * L[sys] * RtoC)

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259
260 # numerical matrices
261
262 def lambdify_wrapper(args, expr):
263     return sympy.lambdify(args, expr, 'numpy', cse=True, docstring_limit=0)
264
265 def numerify_zero_args_expr(expr):
266     # evil hack
267     x = sympy.symbols('x')
268     return lambdify_wrapper(x, expr)(None)
269
270 CtoR_num = numerify_zero_args_expr(CtoR)
271 RtoC_num = numerify_zero_args_expr(RtoC)
272
273 args_d = (Omega_p, Omega_mu, Omega_o)
274 args_h0 = (delta_mu, delta_o, Omega_p)
275 args_in = (Omega_mu, Omega_o)
276 args_decay = (gamma_12, gamma_13, gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, n_b)
277
278 args_h = args_h0 + args_in
279 args_l0 = args_decay + args_h0
280 args_l = args_l0 + args_in
281
282 H0_func = dict()
283 Hor_num = dict()
284 Hoi_num = dict()
285 Hmur_num = dict()
286 Hmui_num = dict()
287 H_func = dict()
288 for sys in systems:
289     H0_func[sys] = lambdify_wrapper(args_h0, H0[sys])
290     Hor_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Hor[sys])
291     Hoi_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Hoi[sys])
292     Hmur_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Hmur[sys])
293     Hmui_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Hmui[sys])
294     H_func[sys] = lambdify_wrapper(args_h, H[sys])
295
296 Delta_poly_coeffs_func = dict()
297 for sys in systems:
298     Delta_poly_coeffs_func[sys] = lambdify_wrapper(args_d, Delta_poly_coeffs[sys])
299
300 L0_func = dict()
301 Lor_num = dict()
302 Loi_num = dict()
303 Lmur_num = dict()
304 Lmui_num = dict()
305 L_func = dict()
306 for sys in systems:
307     L0_func[sys] = lambdify_wrapper(args_l0, L0[sys])
308     Lor_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Lor[sys])
309     Loi_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Loi[sys])
310     Lmur_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Lmur[sys])
311     Lmui_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Lmui[sys])
312     L_func[sys] = lambdify_wrapper(args_l, L[sys])
313
314 L0_real_func = dict()
315 Lor_real_num = dict()
316 Loi_real_num = dict()
317 Lmur_real_num = dict()
318 Lmui_real_num = dict()
319 L_real_func = dict()
320 for sys in systems:
321     L0_real_func[sys] = lambdify_wrapper(args_l0, L0_real[sys])
322     Lor_real_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Lor_real[sys])
323     Loi_real_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Loi_real[sys])
324     Lmur_real_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Lmur_real[sys])

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325     Lmui_real_num[sys] = numerify_zero_args_expr(Lmui_real[sys])
326     L_real_func[sys] = lambdify_wrapper(args_l, L_real[sys])
327
328 def poly_bivariate_coeffs_diff_left(coeffs):
329     nx = coeffs.shape[0]-1
330     ny = coeffs.shape[1]-1
331     i, j = np.indices((nx, ny+1))
332     return (i+1) * coeffs[1:,:]
333
334 def poly_bivariate_coeffs_diff_right(coeffs):
335     nx = coeffs.shape[0]-1
336     ny = coeffs.shape[1]-1
337     i, j = np.indices((nx+1, ny))
338     return (j+1) * coeffs[:,1:]
339
340 def poly_coeffs_diff(coeffs):
341     n = len(coeffs)-1
342     k = np.arange(1, n+1)
343     return k * coeffs[1:]
344
345 def poly_bivariate_coeffs_evaluate_left(coeffs, x):
346     n = coeffs.shape[0]-1
347     k = np.arange(n+1)
348     return (x**k) @ coeffs
349
350 def poly_bivariate_coeffs_evaluate_right(coeffs, y):
351     n = coeffs.shape[1]-1
352     k = np.arange(n+1)
353     return coeffs @ (y**k)
354
355 def poly_bivariate_coeffs_evaluate(coeffs, x, y):
356     i, j = np.indices(coeffs.shape)
357     return np.sum(coeffs * x**i * y**j)
358
359 def poly_coeffs_evaluate(coeffs, x):
360     n = len(coeffs)-1
361     k = np.arange(n+1)
362     return np.sum(coeffs * x**k)
363
364 def poly_coeffs_roots(coeffs):
365     roots = np.polynomial.polynomial.polyroots(coeffs)
366     roots = np.unique(roots)
367     is_real = (np.imag(roots)==0)
368     return np.real(roots[is_real])
369
370 def rho_steady_state(gamma_12, gamma_13, gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d, n_b,
371                     delta_mu, delta_o, Omega_p, Omega_mu, Omega_o, sys):
372     L_mtx = L_real_func[sys](
373         gamma_12=gamma_12,
374         gamma_13=gamma_13,
375         gamma_23=gamma_23,
376         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
377         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
378         n_b=n_b,
379         delta_mu=delta_mu,
380         delta_o=delta_o,
381         Omega_p=Omega_p,
382         Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
383         Omega_o=Omega_o
384     )
385     L_mtx[0,:] = np.identity(3)[flatten]
386     b = np.zeros(9)
387     b[0] = 1
388     rho_real = np.linalg.solve(L_mtx, b)
389     rho = RtoC_num @ rho_real
390     rho = rho[unflatten]

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391     return rho
392
393 def rho_linear_steady_state_components(gamma_12, gamma_13, gamma_23, gamma_2d,
394     gamma_3d,
395     n_b, delta_mu, delta_o, Omega_p, sys):
396     L0_mtx = L0_real_func[sys](
397         gamma_12=gamma_12,
398         gamma_13=gamma_13,
399         gamma_23=gamma_23,
400         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
401         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
402         n_b=n_b,
403         delta_mu=delta_mu,
404         delta_o=delta_o,
405         Omega_p=Omega_p
406     )
407     L0_mtx[0,:] = np.identity(3)[flatten]
408
409     b = np.zeros(9)
410     b[0] = 1
411     rho_0_real = np.linalg.solve(L0_mtx, b)
412     rho_0 = RtoC_num @ rho_0_real
413
414     b = -Lor_real_num[sys] @ rho_0_real
415     b[0] = 0
416     rho_or_real = np.linalg.solve(L0_mtx, b)
417     rho_or = RtoC_num @ rho_or_real
418
419     b = -Loi_real_num[sys] @ rho_0_real
420     b[0] = 0
421     rho_oi_real = np.linalg.solve(L0_mtx, b)
422     rho_oi = RtoC_num @ rho_oi_real
423
424     b = -Lmur_real_num[sys] @ rho_0_real
425     b[0] = 0
426     rho_mur_real = np.linalg.solve(L0_mtx, b)
427     rho_mur = RtoC_num @ rho_mur_real
428
429     b = -Lmui_real_num[sys] @ rho_0_real
430     b[0] = 0
431     rho_mui_real = np.linalg.solve(L0_mtx, b)
432     rho_mui = RtoC_num @ rho_mui_real
433
434     rho_0 = rho_0[unflatten]
435     rho_or = rho_or[unflatten]
436     rho_oi = rho_oi[unflatten]
437     rho_mur = rho_mur[unflatten]
438     rho_mui = rho_mui[unflatten]
439     return rho_0, rho_or, rho_oi, rho_mur, rho_mui
440
441 def rho_steady_state_ensemble(gamma_12, gamma_13, gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d,
442     n_b, delta_mu, delta_o, Omega_p, Omega_mu,
443     Omega_o, sigma_mu, sigma_o, sys, logging=False):
444     gauss_lobatto_order = 20
445     gamma_oh = gamma_2d + (gamma_3d if sys=='Lambda' else 0)
446     gamma_muh = gamma_2d + (gamma_3d if sys=='V' else 0)
447
448     # distribution envelope
449     G_mu = stats.norm(loc=delta_mu, scale=sigma_mu).pdf
450     G_o = stats.norm(loc=delta_o, scale=sigma_o).pdf
451     G = lambda dp_mu, dp_o: G_mu(dp_mu) * G_o(dp_o)
452
453     # set up for curve finding
454     Delta_coeffs_2 = Delta_poly_coeffs_func[sys](
455         Omega_p=Omega_p,
456         Omega_mu=Omega_mu,

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456         Omega_o=Omega_o
457     )
458     dmu_Delta_coeffs_2 = poly_bivariate_coeffs_diff_left(Delta_coeffs_2)
459     do_Delta_coeffs_2 = poly_bivariate_coeffs_diff_right(Delta_coeffs_2)
460
461     # get integral points
462
463     node_deltap_o = np.array([], dtype=float)
464     node_deltap_mu = np.array([], dtype=float)
465     node_weight = np.array([], dtype=float)
466
467     # set up outer integral
468     deltap_o_intervals = [delta_o + z*sigma_o
469                           for z in (-10, -3, -1, 0, 1, 3, 10)]
470     deltap_o_intervals += [z*gamma_oh for z in (-5, -1, 0, 1, 5)]
471     deltap_o_intervals = sorted(deltap_o_intervals)
472     deltap_o_nodes, deltap_o_weights = composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(
473         gauss_lobatto_order, deltap_o_intervals)
474
475     # set up inner integral
476     for dp_o, w_o in zip(deltap_o_nodes, deltap_o_weights):
477         dmu_Delta_coeffs = poly_bivariate_coeffs_evaluate_right(dmu_Delta_coeffs_2,
478 dp_o)
479         do_Delta_coeffs = poly_bivariate_coeffs_evaluate_right(do_Delta_coeffs_2,
480 dp_o)
481         dmu_critical = np.concatenate([
482             poly_coeffs_roots(dmu_Delta_coeffs),
483             poly_coeffs_roots(do_Delta_coeffs)
484         ])
485
486         deltap_mu_intervals = [delta_mu + z*sigma_mu
487                               for z in (-10, -3, -1, 1, 3, 10)]
488         deltap_mu_intervals += [z*gamma_muh for z in (-5, -1, 0, 1, 5)]
489         deltap_mu_intervals += list(dmu_critical)
490
491         deltap_mu_intervals = sorted(deltap_mu_intervals)
492         deltap_mu_nodes, deltap_mu_weights = composite_gauss_lobatto_nodes_weights(
493             gauss_lobatto_order, deltap_mu_intervals)
494
495         node_deltap_o = np.concatenate([node_deltap_o, np.full_like(deltap_mu_nodes,
496 dp_o)])
497         node_deltap_mu = np.concatenate([node_deltap_mu, deltap_mu_nodes])
498         node_weight = np.concatenate([node_weight, w_o*deltap_mu_weights])
499
500     node_G = G(node_deltap_mu, node_deltap_o)
501
502     # perform integral
503
504     integral = np.zeros((3,3), dtype=complex)
505     for dp_o, dp_mu, w, g in zip(node_deltap_o, node_deltap_mu, node_weight, node_G):
506         integral += w*g * rho_steady_state(
507             gamma_12=gamma_12,
508             gamma_13=gamma_13,
509             gamma_23=gamma_23,
510             gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
511             gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
512             n_b=n_b,
513             delta_mu=dp_mu,
514             delta_o=dp_o,
515             Omega_p=Omega_p,
516             Omega_mu=Omega_mu,
517             Omega_o=Omega_o,
518             sys=sys
519         )
520
521     if logging:

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519         return (node_deltap_mu, node_deltap_o, node_weight, node_G), integral
520     else:
521         return integral
522
523 def Omega_cavity(g, alpha):
524     return g * np.exp(1j*np.angle(alpha)) * np.sqrt(np.abs(alpha)**2 + 1)
525
526 def cavity_langevin_diff(gamma_12, gamma_13, gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d,
527                          n_b, gamma_oi, gamma_oc, gamma_mui, gamma_muc,
528                          N_o, N_mu, g_o, g_mu, Omega_p, alpha, beta,
529                          alpha_in, beta_in, delta_mu, delta_o, delta_co,
530                          delta_cmu, sigma_mu, sigma_o, sys, return_S=False):
531     S = rho_steady_state_ensemble(
532         gamma_12=gamma_12,
533         gamma_13=gamma_13,
534         gamma_23=gamma_23,
535         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
536         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
537         n_b=n_b,
538         delta_mu=delta_mu,
539         delta_o=delta_o,
540         Omega_p=Omega_p,
541         Omega_o=Omega_cavity(g_o, alpha),
542         Omega_mu=Omega_cavity(g_mu, beta),
543         sigma_o=sigma_o,
544         sigma_mu=sigma_mu,
545         sys=sys
546     )
547     S_alpha = N_o*np.conj(g_o) * (S[1,0] if sys=='V' else S[2,1])
548     S_beta = N_mu*np.conj(g_mu) * (S[2,1] if sys=='V' else S[1,0])
549
550     d_alpha_S = -1j*S_alpha
551     d_beta_S = -1j*S_beta
552     d_alpha_not_S = -1j*delta_co*alpha - (gamma_oi+gamma_oc)*alpha/2 +
np.sqrt(gamma_oc)*alpha_in
553     d_beta_not_S = -1j*delta_cmu*beta - (gamma_mui+gamma_muc)*beta/2 +
np.sqrt(gamma_muc)*beta_in
554     d_alpha = d_alpha_S + d_alpha_not_S
555     d_beta = d_beta_S + d_beta_not_S
556
557     if return_S:
558         return d_alpha_S, d_beta_S, d_alpha_not_S, d_beta_not_S
559     else:
560         return d_alpha, d_beta
561
562 def cavity_steady_state(gamma_12, gamma_13, gamma_23, gamma_2d, gamma_3d,
563                        n_b, gamma_oi, gamma_oc, gamma_mui, gamma_muc,
564                        N_o, N_mu, g_o, g_mu, Omega_p, alpha_in, beta_in,
565                        delta_mu, delta_o, delta_co, delta_cmu, sigma_mu,
566                        sigma_o, sys, alpha_0=1, beta_0=1):
567     def pack_vector(alpha, beta):
568         vec = np.zeros(4)
569         vec[0] = np.real(alpha)
570         vec[1] = np.imag(alpha)
571         vec[2] = np.real(beta)
572         vec[3] = np.imag(beta)
573         return vec
574
575     def unpack_vector(vec):
576         alpha_r = vec[0]
577         alpha_i = vec[1]
578         beta_r = vec[2]
579         beta_i = vec[3]
580         alpha = alpha_r + 1j*alpha_i
581         beta = beta_r + 1j*beta_i
582         return alpha, beta

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583
584 def diff_func(vec):
585     alpha, beta = unpack_vector(vec)
586     d_alpha, d_beta = cavity_langevin_diff(
587         gamma_12=gamma_12,
588         gamma_13=gamma_13,
589         gamma_23=gamma_23,
590         gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
591         gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
592         n_b=n_b,
593         gamma_oi=gamma_oi,
594         gamma_oc=gamma_oc,
595         gamma_mui=gamma_mui,
596         gamma_muc=gamma_muc,
597         N_o=N_o,
598         N_mu=N_mu,
599         g_o=g_o,
600         g_mu=g_mu,
601         Omega_p=Omega_p,
602         alpha=alpha,
603         beta=beta,
604         alpha_in=alpha_in,
605         beta_in=beta_in,
606         delta_mu=delta_mu,
607         delta_o=delta_o,
608         delta_co=delta_co,
609         delta_cmu=delta_cmu,
610         sigma_mu=sigma_mu,
611         sigma_o=sigma_o,
612         sys=sys
613     )
614
615     d_vec = pack_vector(d_alpha, d_beta)
616     return d_vec
617
618     v0 = pack_vector(alpha_0, beta_0)
619     result = optimize.root(diff_func, v0)#, method='broyden1',
620     options={'ftol':1e-12})
621     return result
622
623 def planck_excitation(T, omega):
624     return 1 / np.expm1(hbar*omega/(kB*T))
625
626 if __name__ == '__main__':
627     sys = 'Lambda'
628     omega_12 = 2*np.pi*5.186e9
629     d13 = 1.63e-32
630     d23 = 1.15e-32
631     tau_12 = 11
632     tau_3 = 0.011
633     gamma_2d = 1e6
634     gamma_3d = 1e6
635     sigma_o = 2*np.pi*419e6
636     sigma_mu = 2*np.pi*5e6
637     N = 1e16
638     gamma_oi = 2*np.pi*7.95e6
639     gamma_oc = 2*np.pi*1.7e6
640     gamma_mui = 2*np.pi*650e3
641     gamma_muc = 2*np.pi*1.5e6
642     g_o = 51.9
643     g_mu = 1.04
644
645     T = 4.6
646     n_b = planck_excitation(T, omega_12)
647     tau_13 = tau_3 * d13**2 / (d13**2 + d23**2)
648     tau_23 = tau_3 * d23**2 / (d13**2 + d23**2)

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648     gamma_12 = 1 / (tau_12*(n_b+1))
649     gamma_13 = 1 / tau_13
650     gamma_23 = 1 / tau_23
651     N_o = N
652     N_mu = N
653
654     Omega_p = 35000.0
655
656     delta_o_small = -100e3
657     delta_mu_small = 1e6
658     delta_o_large = -6.5*sigma_o
659     delta_mu_large = 8*sigma_mu
660
661     iterator = [(delta_o_small, delta_mu_small, 'Small detuning'),
662                 (delta_o_large, delta_mu_large, 'Large detuning')]
663     for delta_o, delta_mu, regime in iterator:
664         print(f'\n{regime} regime')
665         result = cavity_steady_state(
666             gamma_12=gamma_12,
667             gamma_13=gamma_13,
668             gamma_23=gamma_23,
669             gamma_2d=gamma_2d,
670             gamma_3d=gamma_3d,
671             n_b=n_b,
672             gamma_oi=gamma_oi,
673             gamma_oc=gamma_oc,
674             gamma_mui=gamma_mui,
675             gamma_muc=gamma_muc,
676             N_o=N_o,
677             N_mu=N_mu,
678             g_o=g_o,
679             g_mu=g_mu,
680             Omega_p=Omega_p,
681             alpha_in=0.0,
682             beta_in=0.0,
683             delta_mu=delta_mu,
684             delta_o=delta_o,
685             delta_co=0.0,
686             delta_cmu=0.0,
687             sigma_mu=sigma_mu,
688             sigma_o=sigma_o,
689             sys=sys,
690             alpha_0=1,
691             beta_0=1
692         )
693     print(result)

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### C.3.2 Super-Atom Dynamics

This CUDA code implements the super-atom dynamical model. When compiled and ran, it performs a simulation and saves the results as binary files in the working directory.

```

1 // compile: nvcc biphoton-super-atom.cu -o sim -O3 -rdc=true -lm -arch=sm_60
2 #include <cuda.h>
3 #include <cuda_runtime.h>
4 #include <math.h>
5 #include <stdio.h>
6 #include <stdlib.h>
7 #include <time.h>
8
9 #define PI 3.1415926535897932384626433832795
10 const double HBAR = 1.054571817e-34;
11 const double K_B = 1.380649e-23;
12
13 #define NUM_THREAD_BLOCKS 256

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14 #define NUM_THREADS_IN_BLOCK 512
15
16 enum SystemType
17 {
18     LAMBDA_SYSTEM,
19     V_SYSTEM
20 };
21 typedef enum SystemType SystemType;
22
23 struct DensityMatrix
24 {
25     double r11;
26     double r22;
27     double r33;
28     double r12;
29     double i12;
30     double r13;
31     double i13;
32     double r23;
33     double i23;
34 };
35 typedef struct DensityMatrix DensityMatrix;
36
37 const DensityMatrix GROUND_STATE_MATRIX = {
38     1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0
39 };
40
41 struct AtomSample
42 {
43     double weight;
44     double g_or;
45     double g_oi;
46     double g_mur;
47     double g_mui;
48     double delta_12;
49     double delta_23;
50 };
51 typedef struct AtomSample AtomSample;
52
53 struct SystemState
54 {
55     double alpha_r;
56     double alpha_i;
57     double beta_r;
58     double beta_i;
59     DensityMatrix rho[];
60 };
61 typedef struct SystemState SystemState;
62
63 size_t SizeofStateStruct(size_t nAtomSamples)
64 {
65     return sizeof(SystemState) + nAtomSamples * sizeof(DensityMatrix);
66 }
67
68 bool HostAllocateStateStruct(SystemState **ptr, size_t nAtomSamples)
69 {
70     *ptr = (SystemState *) malloc(SizeofStateStruct(nAtomSamples));
71     return (*ptr != NULL);
72 }
73
74 bool DeviceAllocateStateStruct(SystemState **ptr, size_t nAtomSamples)
75 {
76     cudaError_t result = cudaMalloc(ptr, SizeofStateStruct(nAtomSamples));
77     return (result == cudaSuccess);
78 }
79

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80 void CopyStateStruct(SystemState *dst, const SystemState *src,
81                      size_t nAtomSamples, cudaMemcpyKind kind)
82 {
83     cudaMemcpy(dst, src, SizeofStateStruct(nAtomSamples), kind);
84 }
85
86 bool HostAllocateAtomSamples(AtomSample **ptr, size_t nAtomSamples)
87 {
88     size_t size = nAtomSamples * sizeof(AtomSample);
89     *ptr = (AtomSample *) malloc(size);
90     return (*ptr != NULL);
91 }
92
93 bool DeviceAllocateAtomSamples(AtomSample **ptr, size_t nAtomSamples)
94 {
95     size_t size = nAtomSamples * sizeof(AtomSample);
96     cudaError_t result = cudaMalloc(ptr, size);
97     return (result == cudaSuccess);
98 }
99
100 void CopyAtomSamples(AtomSample *dst, const AtomSample *src,
101                    size_t nAtomSamples, cudaMemcpyKind kind)
102 {
103     cudaMemcpy(dst, src, nAtomSamples * sizeof(AtomSample), kind);
104 }
105
106 __device__
107 void MasterDerivative(DensityMatrix *diff, SystemType sys,
108                     const DensityMatrix *rho, double Omega_mur, double Omega_mui,
109                     double Omega_or, double Omega_oi, double Omega_pr, double Omega_pi,
110                     double deltap_mu, double deltap_o, double n_b, double gamma_12,
111                     double gamma_13, double gamma_23, double gamma_2d, double gamma_3d)
112 {
113     DensityMatrix tmp = *rho;
114
115     // code generated using computer algebra
116     if (sys == LAMBDA_SYSTEM)
117     {
118         diff->r11 = -2*Omega_mui*tmp.r12 - 2*Omega_mur*tmp.i12 - 2*Omega_pi*tmp.r13
- 2*Omega_pr*tmp.i13 - gamma_12*n_b*tmp.r11 + gamma_12*tmp.r22*(n_b + 1) +
gamma_13*tmp.r33;
119         diff->r22 = 2*Omega_mui*tmp.r12 + 2*Omega_mur*tmp.i12 - 2*Omega_oi*tmp.r23 -
2*Omega_or*tmp.i23 + gamma_12*n_b*tmp.r11 - gamma_12*tmp.r22*(n_b + 1) +
gamma_23*tmp.r33;
120         diff->r33 = 2*Omega_oi*tmp.r23 + 2*Omega_or*tmp.i23 + 2*Omega_pi*tmp.r13 +
2*Omega_pr*tmp.i13 - gamma_13*tmp.r33 - gamma_23*tmp.r33;
121         diff->r12 = Omega_mui*tmp.r11 - Omega_mui*tmp.r22 - Omega_oi*tmp.r13 -
Omega_or*tmp.i13 - Omega_pi*tmp.r23 - Omega_pr*tmp.i23 - deltap_mu*tmp.i12 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*n_b*tmp.r12 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.r12*(n_b + 1) -
1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.r12;
122         diff->i12 = Omega_mur*tmp.r11 - Omega_mur*tmp.r22 - Omega_oi*tmp.i13 +
Omega_or*tmp.r13 + Omega_pi*tmp.i23 - Omega_pr*tmp.r23 + deltap_mu*tmp.r12 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*n_b*tmp.i12 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.i12*(n_b + 1) -
1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.i12;
123         diff->r13 = -Omega_mui*tmp.r23 + Omega_mur*tmp.i23 + Omega_oi*tmp.r12 -
Omega_or*tmp.i12 + Omega_pi*tmp.r11 - Omega_pi*tmp.r33 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*n_b*tmp.r13 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.r13 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.r13 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.r13 + tmp.i13*(-deltap_mu -
deltap_o);
124         diff->i13 = -Omega_mui*tmp.i23 - Omega_mur*tmp.r23 + Omega_oi*tmp.i12 +
Omega_or*tmp.r12 + Omega_pr*tmp.r11 - Omega_pr*tmp.r33 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*n_b*tmp.i13 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.i13 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.i13 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.i13 - tmp.r13*(-deltap_mu -
deltap_o);
125         diff->r23 = Omega_mui*tmp.r13 + Omega_mur*tmp.i13 + Omega_oi*tmp.r22 -
Omega_oi*tmp.r33 + Omega_pi*tmp.r12 + Omega_pr*tmp.i12 + deltap_mu*tmp.i23 -

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1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.r23*(n_b + 1) - 1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.r23 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.r23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.r23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.r23 +
tmp.i23*(-deltap_mu - deltap_o);
126     diff->i23 = Omega_mui*tmp.i13 - Omega_mur*tmp.r13 + Omega_or*tmp.r22 -
Omega_or*tmp.r33 - Omega_pi*tmp.i12 + Omega_pr*tmp.r12 - deltap_mu*tmp.r23 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.i23*(n_b + 1) - 1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.i23 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.i23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.i23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.i23 -
tmp.r23*(-deltap_mu - deltap_o);
127 }
128 else // sys == V_SYSTEM
129 {
130     diff->r11 = -2*Omega_oi*tmp.r12 - 2*Omega_or*tmp.i12 - 2*Omega_pi*tmp.r13 -
2*Omega_pr*tmp.i13 + gamma_12*tmp.r22 + gamma_13*tmp.r33;
131     diff->r22 = -2*Omega_mui*tmp.r23 - 2*Omega_mur*tmp.i23 + 2*Omega_oi*tmp.r12
+ 2*Omega_or*tmp.i12 - gamma_12*tmp.r22 - gamma_23*n_b*tmp.r22 +
gamma_23*tmp.r33*(n_b + 1);
132     diff->r33 = 2*Omega_mui*tmp.r23 + 2*Omega_mur*tmp.i23 + 2*Omega_pi*tmp.r13 +
2*Omega_pr*tmp.i13 - gamma_13*tmp.r33 + gamma_23*n_b*tmp.r22 -
gamma_23*tmp.r33*(n_b + 1);
133     diff->r12 = -Omega_mui*tmp.r13 - Omega_mur*tmp.i13 + Omega_oi*tmp.r11 -
Omega_oi*tmp.r22 - Omega_pi*tmp.r23 - Omega_pr*tmp.i23 - deltap_o*tmp.i12 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.r12 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_23*n_b*tmp.r12 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.r12;
134     diff->i12 = -Omega_mui*tmp.i13 + Omega_mur*tmp.r13 + Omega_or*tmp.r11 -
Omega_or*tmp.r22 + Omega_pi*tmp.i23 - Omega_pr*tmp.r23 + deltap_o*tmp.r12 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.i12 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_23*n_b*tmp.i12 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.i12;
135     diff->r13 = Omega_mui*tmp.r12 - Omega_mur*tmp.i12 - Omega_oi*tmp.r23 +
Omega_or*tmp.i23 + Omega_pi*tmp.r11 - Omega_pi*tmp.r33 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.r13 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.r13*(n_b + 1) -
1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.r13 + tmp.i13*(-deltap_mu - deltap_o);
136     diff->i13 = Omega_mui*tmp.i12 + Omega_mur*tmp.r12 - Omega_oi*tmp.i23 -
Omega_or*tmp.r23 + Omega_pr*tmp.r11 - Omega_pr*tmp.r33 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.i13 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.i13*(n_b + 1) -
1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.i13 - tmp.r13*(-deltap_mu - deltap_o);
137     diff->r23 = Omega_mui*tmp.r22 - Omega_mui*tmp.r33 + Omega_oi*tmp.r13 +
Omega_or*tmp.i13 + Omega_pi*tmp.r12 + Omega_pr*tmp.i12 + deltap_o*tmp.i23 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.r23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.r23 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_23*n_b*tmp.r23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.r23*(n_b + 1) -
1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.r23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.r23 + tmp.i23*(-deltap_mu -
deltap_o);
138     diff->i23 = Omega_mur*tmp.r22 - Omega_mur*tmp.r33 + Omega_oi*tmp.i13 -
Omega_or*tmp.r13 - Omega_pi*tmp.i12 + Omega_pr*tmp.r12 - deltap_o*tmp.r23 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_12*tmp.i23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_13*tmp.i23 -
1.0/2.0*gamma_23*n_b*tmp.i23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_23*tmp.i23*(n_b + 1) -
1.0/2.0*gamma_2d*tmp.i23 - 1.0/2.0*gamma_3d*tmp.i23 - tmp.r23*(-deltap_mu -
deltap_o);
139 }
140 }
141
142 __device__
143 void Omega(double *Omega_r, double *Omega_i,
144           double g_r, double g_i,
145           double alpha_r, double alpha_i)
146 {
147
148     double abs_alpha_sqr = alpha_r*alpha_r + alpha_i*alpha_i;
149     if (abs_alpha_sqr == 0.0)
150     {
151         *Omega_r = g_r;
152         *Omega_i = g_i;
153         return;
154     }
155
156     double alpha_rescale = sqrt(1.0 + 1.0/abs_alpha_sqr);
157     alpha_r *= alpha_rescale;

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158     alpha_i *= alpha_rescale;
159
160     *Omega_r = g_r*alpha_r - g_i*alpha_i;
161     *Omega_i = g_r*alpha_i + g_i*alpha_r;
162 }
163
164 __global__
165 void EnsembleDerivativeAndSum(size_t nAtomSamples, SystemState *diff,
166     const SystemState *state, const AtomSample *atomSamples, SystemType sys,
167     double alpha_r, double alpha_i, double beta_r, double beta_i,
168     double Omega_pr, double Omega_pi, double delta_mu, double delta_o,
169     double n_b, double gamma_12, double gamma_13,
170     double gamma_23, double gamma_2d, double gamma_3d)
171 {
172     size_t threadId = blockIdx.x*blockDim.x + threadIdx.x;
173     size_t threadCount = gridDim.x*blockDim.x;
174     for (size_t k = threadId; k < nAtomSamples; k += threadCount)
175     {
176         // get sample-specific variables
177         double g_or = atomSamples[k].g_or;
178         double g_oi = atomSamples[k].g_oi;
179         double g_mur = atomSamples[k].g_mur;
180         double g_mui = atomSamples[k].g_mui;
181         double delta_12 = atomSamples[k].delta_12;
182         double delta_23 = atomSamples[k].delta_23;
183         double w = atomSamples[k].weight;
184         const DensityMatrix *rho = &(state->rho[k]);
185         DensityMatrix *rhoDiff = &(diff->rho[k]);
186
187         // contribution to ensemble terms
188         double rho_or = ((sys == V_SYSTEM) ? rho->r12 : rho->r23);
189         double rho_oi = ((sys == V_SYSTEM) ? -rho->i12 : -rho->i23);
190         double rho_mur = ((sys == V_SYSTEM) ? rho->r23 : rho->r12);
191         double rho_mui = ((sys == V_SYSTEM) ? -rho->i23 : -rho->i12);
192         double S_alpha_r = w * (g_or*rho_or + g_oi*rho_oi);
193         double S_alpha_i = w * (g_oi*rho_or - g_or*rho_oi);
194         double S_beta_r = w * (g_mur*rho_mur + g_mui*rho_mui);
195         double S_beta_i = w * (g_mui*rho_mur - g_mur*rho_mui);
196         atomicAdd(&(diff->alpha_r), S_alpha_i);
197         atomicAdd(&(diff->alpha_i), -S_alpha_r);
198         atomicAdd(&(diff->beta_r), S_beta_i);
199         atomicAdd(&(diff->beta_i), -S_beta_r);
200
201         // drive Rabi frequencies
202         double Omega_mur;
203         double Omega_mui;
204         double Omega_or;
205         double Omega_oi;
206         Omega(&Omega_mur, &Omega_mui, g_mur, g_mui, beta_r, beta_i);
207         Omega(&Omega_or, &Omega_oi, g_or, g_oi, alpha_r, alpha_i);
208
209         // inhomogeneous shift
210         double deltap_mu = delta_mu + (sys == V_SYSTEM ? delta_23 : delta_12);
211         double deltap_o = delta_o + (sys == V_SYSTEM ? delta_12 : delta_23);
212
213         MasterDerivative(
214             rhoDiff,
215             sys,
216             rho,
217             Omega_mur,
218             Omega_mui,
219             Omega_or,
220             Omega_oi,
221             Omega_pr,
222             Omega_pi,
223             deltap_mu,

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224         deltap_o,
225         n_b,
226         gamma_12,
227         gamma_13,
228         gamma_23,
229         gamma_2d,
230         gamma_3d);
231     }
232 }
233
234 void SystemDerivative(size_t nAtomSamples,
235 SystemState *diff, const SystemState *state,
236 const AtomSample *atomSamples, SystemType sys,
237 double Omega_pr, double Omega_pi, double delta_mu, double delta_o,
238 double n_b, double gamma_12, double gamma_13, double gamma_23,
239 double gamma_2d, double gamma_3d, double gamma_o, double gamma_mu)
240 {
241     double alpha_r;
242     double alpha_i;
243     double beta_r;
244     double beta_i;
245     cudaMemcpy(&alpha_r, &(state->alpha_r),
246             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
247     cudaMemcpy(&alpha_i, &(state->alpha_i),
248             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
249     cudaMemcpy(&beta_r, &(state->beta_r),
250             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
251     cudaMemcpy(&beta_i, &(state->beta_i),
252             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
253
254     double d_alpha_r = -alpha_r * gamma_o/2.0;
255     double d_alpha_i = -alpha_i * gamma_o/2.0;
256     double d_beta_r = -beta_r * gamma_mu/2.0;
257     double d_beta_i = -beta_i * gamma_mu/2.0;
258     cudaMemcpy(&(diff->alpha_r), &d_alpha_r,
259             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
260     cudaMemcpy(&(diff->alpha_i), &d_alpha_i,
261             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
262     cudaMemcpy(&(diff->beta_r), &d_beta_r,
263             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
264     cudaMemcpy(&(diff->beta_i), &d_beta_i,
265             sizeof(double), cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
266
267     EnsembleDerivativeAndSum<<<NUM_THREAD_BLOCKS, NUM_THREADS_IN_BLOCK>>>(
268         nAtomSamples,
269         diff,
270         state,
271         atomSamples,
272         sys,
273         alpha_r,
274         alpha_i,
275         beta_r,
276         beta_i,
277         Omega_pr,
278         Omega_pi,
279         delta_mu,
280         delta_o,
281         n_b,
282         gamma_12,
283         gamma_13,
284         gamma_23,
285         gamma_2d,
286         gamma_3d);
287     cudaDeviceSynchronize();
288 }
289

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290 __global__
291 void GlobalDensityMatricesWeightedSum(size_t nAtomSamples,
292   DensityMatrix *dst, const DensityMatrix *a, double aw,
293   const DensityMatrix *b, double bw)
294 {
295   size_t threadId = blockIdx.x*blockDim.x + threadIdx.x;
296   size_t threadCount = blockDim.x*blockDim.x;
297   for (size_t k = threadId; k < nAtomSamples; k += threadCount)
298   {
299     dst[k].r11 = aw*a[k].r11 + bw*b[k].r11;
300     dst[k].r22 = aw*a[k].r22 + bw*b[k].r22;
301     dst[k].r33 = aw*a[k].r33 + bw*b[k].r33;
302     dst[k].r12 = aw*a[k].r12 + bw*b[k].r12;
303     dst[k].i12 = aw*a[k].i12 + bw*b[k].i12;
304     dst[k].r13 = aw*a[k].r13 + bw*b[k].r13;
305     dst[k].i13 = aw*a[k].i13 + bw*b[k].i13;
306     dst[k].r23 = aw*a[k].r23 + bw*b[k].r23;
307     dst[k].i23 = aw*a[k].i23 + bw*b[k].i23;
308   }
309 }
310
311 __global__
312 void GlobalCavityStateWeightedSum(size_t nAtomSamples,
313   SystemState *dst, const SystemState *a, double aw,
314   const SystemState *b, double bw)
315 {
316   dst->alpha_r = aw*a->alpha_r + bw*b->alpha_r;
317   dst->alpha_i = aw*a->alpha_i + bw*b->alpha_i;
318   dst->beta_r = aw*a->beta_r + bw*b->beta_r;
319   dst->beta_i = aw*a->beta_i + bw*b->beta_i;
320 }
321
322 void SystemStateWeightedSum(size_t nAtomSamples, SystemState *dst,
323   const SystemState *a, double aw, const SystemState *b, double bw)
324 {
325   GlobalCavityStateWeightedSum<<<1,1>>>(nAtomSamples, dst, a, aw, b, bw);
326   cudaDeviceSynchronize();
327   GlobalDensityMatricesWeightedSum<<<NUM_THREAD_BLOCKS,
328     NUM_THREADS_IN_BLOCK>>>(nAtomSamples,
329     dst->rho, a->rho, aw, b->rho, bw);
330   cudaDeviceSynchronize();
331 }
332
333 void SystemRK4Step(size_t nAtomSamples, SystemState *__restrict__ state,
334   const AtomSample *__restrict__ atomSamples,
335   SystemState *__restrict__ tmp1, SystemState *__restrict__ tmp2,
336   SystemType sys, double dt, double Omega_pr, double Omega_pi,
337   double delta_mu, double delta_o, double n_b, double gamma_12,
338   double gamma_13, double gamma_23, double gamma_2d,
339   double gamma_3d, double gamma_o, double gamma_mu)
340 {
341   SystemDerivative( // k1
342     nAtomSamples,
343     tmp1,
344     state,
345     atomSamples,
346     sys,
347     Omega_pr,
348     Omega_pi,
349     delta_mu,
350     delta_o,
351     n_b,
352     gamma_12,
353     gamma_13,
354     gamma_23,
355     gamma_2d,

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356     gamma_3d,
357     gamma_o,
358     gamma_mu);
359 SystemStateWeightedSum(nAtomSamples, tmp2, state, 1.0, tmp1, dt/6.0);
360 SystemStateWeightedSum(nAtomSamples, tmp1, state, 1.0, tmp1, dt/2.0);
361 SystemDerivative( // k2
362     nAtomSamples,
363     tmp1,
364     tmp1,
365     atomSamples,
366     sys,
367     Omega_pr,
368     Omega_pi,
369     delta_mu,
370     delta_o,
371     n_b,
372     gamma_12,
373     gamma_13,
374     gamma_23,
375     gamma_2d,
376     gamma_3d,
377     gamma_o,
378     gamma_mu);
379 SystemStateWeightedSum(nAtomSamples, tmp2, tmp1, dt/3.0, tmp2, 1.0);
380 SystemStateWeightedSum(nAtomSamples, tmp1, state, 1.0, tmp1, dt/2.0);
381 SystemDerivative( // k3
382     nAtomSamples,
383     tmp1,
384     tmp1,
385     atomSamples,
386     sys,
387     Omega_pr,
388     Omega_pi,
389     delta_mu,
390     delta_o,
391     n_b,
392     gamma_12,
393     gamma_13,
394     gamma_23,
395     gamma_2d,
396     gamma_3d,
397     gamma_o,
398     gamma_mu);
399 SystemStateWeightedSum(nAtomSamples, tmp2, tmp1, dt/3.0, tmp2, 1.0);
400 SystemStateWeightedSum(nAtomSamples, tmp1, state, 1.0, tmp1, dt);
401 SystemDerivative( // k4
402     nAtomSamples,
403     tmp1,
404     tmp1,
405     atomSamples,
406     sys,
407     Omega_pr,
408     Omega_pi,
409     delta_mu,
410     delta_o,
411     n_b,
412     gamma_12,
413     gamma_13,
414     gamma_23,
415     gamma_2d,
416     gamma_3d,
417     gamma_o,
418     gamma_mu);
419 SystemStateWeightedSum(nAtomSamples, state, tmp1, dt/6.0, tmp2, 1.0);
420 }
421

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422 double PlanckExcitation(double T, double omega)
423 {
424     return 1.0 / expm1(HBAR*omega / (K_B*T));
425 }
426
427 double RandomUniform(void)
428 {
429     return ((double) rand()) / ((double) RAND_MAX);
430 }
431
432 double RandomGaussian(void)
433 {
434     double U1 = RandomUniform();
435     double U2 = RandomUniform();
436
437     // U1 == 0.0 results in an error when taking its log
438     while (U1 == 0.0)
439     {
440         U1 = RandomUniform();
441     }
442
443     double R = sqrt(-2.0 * log(U1));
444     double Theta = 2.0*PI * U2;
445     return R * cos(Theta);
446 }
447
448 int main(void)
449 {
450     // system constants
451     const SystemType sys = LAMBDA_SYSTEM;
452     const double omega_12 = 2.0*PI*5.186e9;
453     const double d13 = 1.63e-32;
454     const double d23 = 1.15e-32;
455     const double tau_12 = 11.0;
456     const double tau_3 = 0.011;
457     const double gamma_2d = 1e6;
458     const double gamma_3d = 1e6;
459     const double sigma_o = 2.0*PI*419e6;
460     const double sigma_mu = 2.0*PI*5e6;
461     const double N = 1e16;
462     const double gamma_oi = 2.0*PI*7.95e6;
463     const double gamma_oc = 2.0*PI*1.7e6;
464     const double gamma_mui = 2.0*PI*650e3;
465     const double gamma_muc = 2.0*PI*1.5e6;
466     const double g_or = 51.9;
467     const double g_oi = 0.0;
468     const double g_mur = 1.04;
469     const double g_mui = 0.0;
470
471     const double T = 4.6;
472     const double n_b = PlanckExcitation(T, omega_12);
473     const double tau_13 = tau_3 * d13*d13 / (d13*d13 + d23*d23);
474     const double tau_23 = tau_3 * d23*d23 / (d13*d13 + d23*d23);
475     const double gamma_12 = 1.0 / (tau_12*(n_b+1.0));
476     const double gamma_13 = 1.0 / tau_13;
477     const double gamma_23 = 1.0 / tau_23;
478
479     const double sigma_12 = ((sys == V_SYSTEM) ? sigma_o : sigma_mu);
480     const double sigma_23 = ((sys == V_SYSTEM) ? sigma_mu : sigma_o);
481
482     // parameters
483     size_t nAtomSamples = 1'000'000;
484     const double weight = N / ((double) nAtomSamples);
485     const double delta_mu = 2.0*sigma_mu;
486     const double delta_o = 2.0*sigma_o;
487     const double Omega_pr = 35000.0;

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488     const double Omega_pi = 0.0;
489     const double alpha_0r = 1.0;
490     const double alpha_0i = 0.0;
491     const double beta_0r = 1.0;
492     const double beta_0i = 0.0;
493
494     // allocate arrays
495     AtomSample *atomSamples;
496     if (!(HostAllocateAtomSamples(&atomSamples, nAtomSamples)))
497     {
498         printf("Host memory allocation failure\n");
499         return -1;
500     }
501
502     AtomSample *deviceAtomSamples;
503     if (!(DeviceAllocateAtomSamples(&deviceAtomSamples, nAtomSamples)))
504     {
505         free(atomSamples);
506         printf("Device memory allocation failure\n");
507         return -1;
508     }
509
510     SystemState *state;
511     if (!(HostAllocateStateStruct(&state, nAtomSamples)))
512     {
513         free(atomSamples);
514         cudaFree(deviceAtomSamples);
515         printf("Host memory allocation failure\n");
516         return -1;
517     }
518
519     SystemState *deviceState;
520     if (!(DeviceAllocateStateStruct(&deviceState, nAtomSamples)))
521     {
522         free(atomSamples);
523         cudaFree(deviceAtomSamples);
524         free(state);
525         printf("Device memory allocation failure\n");
526         return -1;
527     }
528
529     SystemState *tmp1;
530     if (!(DeviceAllocateStateStruct(&tmp1, nAtomSamples)))
531     {
532         free(atomSamples);
533         cudaFree(deviceAtomSamples);
534         free(state);
535         cudaFree(deviceState);
536         printf("Device memory allocation failure\n");
537         return -1;
538     }
539
540     SystemState *tmp2;
541     if (!(DeviceAllocateStateStruct(&tmp2, nAtomSamples)))
542     {
543         free(atomSamples);
544         cudaFree(deviceAtomSamples);
545         free(state);
546         cudaFree(deviceState);
547         cudaFree(tmp1);
548         printf("Device memory allocation failure\n");
549         return -1;
550     }
551
552     // populate arrays and copy to device memory
553     state->alpha_r = alpha_0r;

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554 state->alpha_i = alpha_0i;
555 state->beta_r = beta_0r;
556 state->beta_i = beta_0i;
557
558 for (size_t k = 0; k < nAtomSamples; k++)
559 {
560     atomSamples[k].g_or = g_or;
561     atomSamples[k].g_oi = g_oi;
562     atomSamples[k].g_mur = g_mur;
563     atomSamples[k].g_mui = g_mui;
564     atomSamples[k].weight = weight;
565     atomSamples[k].delta_12 = sigma_12 * RandomGaussian();
566     atomSamples[k].delta_23 = sigma_23 * RandomGaussian();
567
568     state->rho[k] = GROUND_STATE_MATRIX;
569 }
570
571 CopyAtomSamples(deviceAtomSamples, atomSamples, nAtomSamples,
572               cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
573 CopyStateStruct(deviceState, state, nAtomSamples, cudaMemcpyHostToDevice);
574
575 // run simulation and save results to binary files
576 const char *dirname = ".";
577 char atomSamplesFpath[256];
578 sprintf(atomSamplesFpath, "%s/atom_samples", dirname);
579 FILE *atomSamplesFp = fopen(atomSamplesFpath, "wb");
580 fwrite(atomSamples, sizeof(AtomSample), nAtomSamples, atomSamplesFp);
581 printf("Saved atom sample data as %s\n", atomSamplesFpath);
582 fclose(atomSamplesFp);
583
584 const double dt = 10e-12;
585 size_t numSteps = 0;
586
587 size_t numPrint = 0;
588 while (true)
589 {
590     size_t toPrint;
591     if (numPrint < 100)
592     {
593         toPrint = numPrint;
594     }
595     else
596     {
597         size_t n = (numPrint-100) / 900;
598         toPrint = (numPrint-100) % 900 + 100;
599         for (size_t i = 0; i < n; i++)
600         {
601             toPrint *= 10;
602         }
603     }
604
605     while (numSteps < toPrint)
606     {
607         SystemRK4Step(
608             nAtomSamples,
609             deviceState,
610             deviceAtomSamples,
611             tmp1,
612             tmp2,
613             sys,
614             dt,
615             Omega_pr,
616             Omega_pi,
617             delta_mu,
618             delta_o,
619             n_b,

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620         gamma_12 ,
621         gamma_13 ,
622         gamma_23 ,
623         gamma_2d ,
624         gamma_3d ,
625         gamma_oi+gamma_oc ,
626         gamma_mui+gamma_muc);
627     numSteps++;
628 }
629
630
631     char fname[256];
632     sprintf(fname, "state_step_%zd_dt_%zd_ps",
633             numSteps, (size_t) round(dt*1e12));
634     char fpath[256];
635     sprintf(fpath, "%s/%s", dirname, fname);
636
637     FILE *fp = fopen(fpath, "wb");
638     CopyStateStruct(state, deviceState,
639                    nAtomSamples, cudaMemcpyDeviceToHost);
640     fwrite(state, SizeofStateStruct(nAtomSamples), 1, fp);
641     fclose(fp);
642
643     printf("\nSaved step %zd as %s\n", numSteps, fpath);
644     printf("alpha_r %f\n", state->alpha_r);
645     printf("alpha_i %f\n", state->alpha_i);
646     printf("beta_r %f\n", state->beta_r);
647     printf("beta_i %f\n", state->beta_i);
648     printf("rho[0].r11 %f\n", state->rho[0].r11);
649     printf("rho[0].r22 %f\n", state->rho[0].r22);
650     printf("rho[0].r33 %f\n", state->rho[0].r33);
651     printf("rho[0].r12 %f\n", state->rho[0].r12);
652     printf("rho[0].i12 %f\n", state->rho[0].i12);
653     printf("rho[0].r13 %f\n", state->rho[0].r13);
654     printf("rho[0].i13 %f\n", state->rho[0].i13);
655     printf("rho[0].r23 %f\n", state->rho[0].r23);
656     printf("rho[0].i23 %f\n", state->rho[0].i23);
657
658     numPrint++;
659 }
660
661     free(atomSamples);
662     cudaFree(deviceAtomSamples);
663     free(state);
664     cudaFree(deviceState);
665     cudaFree(tmp1);
666     cudaFree(tmp2);
667     return 0;
668 }

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