

# Loschmidt Echo for a Chaotic Oscillator

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## Def: Loschmidt Echo – fidelity of WF

WF at time = 0  $\Psi(0)=|\alpha\rangle$

WF at time = t  $\Psi(t)=\hat{U}(t)|\alpha\rangle$

Evolution operator  $\hat{U}(t)=\exp\left[-\frac{i}{\hbar}\int_0^t H(\tau)d\tau\right]$

The exponent is T-ordered;  $\exp$

Rivers back at time t with a variant Hamiltonian

$$H_\delta(t)=H(t)+\delta H(t)$$

$$\hat{U}_\delta^+(t)=\exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar}\int_0^t H_\delta(\tau)d\tau\right]$$

**A measure of reversibility is the fidelity of WF**

$$M_\delta(t)=|\langle\alpha|\hat{U}_\delta^+(t)\hat{U}(t)|\alpha\rangle|^2$$

A. Peres ('84)

- **Fidelity of WF was introduced in the field of QC as an analog of the classical stability of trajectories for chaotic dynamics:**

- **Standard map:** 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{I} = I + K \sin \theta \\ \bar{\theta} = \theta + \bar{I} \end{pmatrix}$$
 **Classical analog of the QKR**

**K is the chaos control parameter**  $\left| \frac{\partial \bar{\theta}}{\partial \theta} - 1 \right| = K > 1$

**Locally:**  $(\theta_0, \theta_0 + \delta\theta)$   $\delta\theta(t) \approx \exp(\Lambda t)$   $\Lambda = \ln K > 0$

$\Lambda$  is the Lyapunov exponent

**Loschmidt echo:**  $M_\delta \approx e^{-\Lambda t} + e^{-\Gamma t}$  **R. Jalabert, H. Pastawsky, (2001)**

$M_\delta \approx e^{-\Lambda t}$   $t < \tau_{\hbar}$   $\tau_{\hbar} = \frac{1}{\Lambda} \ln \frac{I_0}{\hbar}$  **the Ehrenfest time**

$M_\delta \approx e^{-\Gamma t}$   $\Gamma = \Gamma(\delta)$  **Jacquod, Silvestrov, Beenakker, (2001)**

**Chaotic nonlinear oscillator:**  $H = H_0 + V$   $\omega$  linear frequency

$$H_0 = \hbar \omega a^+ a + \hbar^2 \mu (a^+ a)^2, \quad [a, a^+] = 1 \quad \mu \quad \text{nonlinearity}$$

$$V = -\hbar \varepsilon (a^+ + a) \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t - nT) = -\hbar \varepsilon (a^+ + a) g(t)$$

$\varepsilon$  is an amplitude of the perturbation with the period  $T$

The classical limit:  $\hbar = 0 \quad \hbar a^+ a \rightarrow I \quad \sqrt{\hbar \varepsilon} \rightarrow \tilde{\varepsilon}$

The chaos control parameter:  $K = 4\mu\tilde{\varepsilon}TI = 4\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\varepsilon}\omega T \gg 1$

The system is more complicated than the QKR, but it is very convenient for an analytical treatment in the semiclassical limit.

$$U(t) = \exp \left[ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t (H_0 + V(\tau)) d\tau \right]$$

**Dimensionless Planck's constant:**  $\kappa = \hbar \mu T$

**time:**  $t \Rightarrow t / T$

$$\hat{U}(T=1) = \exp\left[-i\varpi T a^+ a - i\kappa(a^+ a)^2\right] \exp\left[i\varepsilon(a^+ + a)\right]$$

$$e^{-i\varpi T a^+ a} |\alpha\rangle = |e^{-i\varpi T} \alpha\rangle \quad e^{i\varepsilon(a^+ + a)} |\alpha\rangle = e^{\frac{i\varepsilon}{2}(\alpha^* + \alpha)} |\alpha + i\varepsilon\rangle$$

$$\hat{\exp}\left[-i\kappa \int_0^t (a^+ a)^2 d\tau\right] = \int \prod_{\tau} \frac{d\lambda(\tau)}{\sqrt{4\pi i \kappa}} e^{i \int_0^t d\tau \lambda^2(\tau) / 4\kappa} \hat{\exp}\left[-i \int_0^t d\tau \lambda(\tau) a^+ a\right]$$

$$\Psi(t) = \int \prod_{\tau} \frac{d\lambda(\tau)}{\sqrt{4\pi i \kappa}} e^{i \int_0^t d\tau \lambda^2(\tau) / 4\kappa} \exp\left[i\varepsilon \int d\tau F(\alpha_{\lambda}(\tau), \alpha_{\lambda}^*(\tau))\right] |\alpha_{\lambda}(\tau)\rangle$$

$$\alpha_{\lambda}(t) = e^{-i\Phi_{\lambda}(t)} \left[ \alpha + i\varepsilon \int_0^t g(\tau) e^{i\Phi_{\lambda}(\tau)} d\tau \right] \quad \Phi_{\lambda}(t) = \int_0^t d\tau [\varpi T + \lambda(\tau)]$$

At the moment  $\mathbf{t}$  dynamics is reversed back to  $\mathbf{t}=\mathbf{0}$  with a random time dependent process added to the linear frequency:  $\varpi \rightarrow \varpi_\eta = \varpi + \eta(t)/T$

$$H(t) \rightarrow H(\eta(t), t) \quad \Psi_\eta^*(t) = [U(\eta, t) | \alpha \rangle]^+$$

The Loschmidt echo averaged over the Gaussian process  $P[\eta - \bar{\eta}, \sigma]$  with nonzero the first  $\bar{\eta}$  and the second  $\sigma$  moments is

$$M_\sigma(t) = \int \prod_\tau d\eta(\tau) P[\eta(\tau) - \bar{\eta}, \sigma] M(\eta(\tau), t)$$

$$M(\eta(\tau), t) = \left| \langle \Psi_\eta^*(t) | \Psi(t) \rangle \right|^2$$

In the semiclassical limit when  $\kappa \ll 1$ ,  $\lambda = \lambda_{cl} + \kappa \lambda_q$   
 the functional integration over  $\prod_\tau d\lambda(\tau)$  is carried out exactly

For  $\sigma \ll 1$  and  $\mathbf{K} \gg 1$ ,

$$M_\sigma(t) \propto \exp \left[ -\frac{\bar{\eta}^2}{\Lambda^2} e^{\Lambda t} \right]$$

$\sigma \gg 1$

$$M_\sigma(t) \propto \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{\sigma}} e^{-\Lambda t}$$

The semiclassical approximation is valid until a breaking time  $\tau_{scl} : t < \tau_{scl}$

The Jacobian of the Hamiltonian flow in the SC limit is

$$J \approx 1 - 4\kappa^{1/2}t$$

$$\tau_{scl} \approx \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{t_H} = \frac{1}{4\kappa^{1/2}}$$

- The Loschmidt echo in the Lyapunov regime  $M \sim e^{-\Lambda t}$  is obtained on the semiclassical time scale

$$t \gg \tau_{\hbar}$$