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Quantum Optics
Lecture 8

- Topics: - cavity QED basics & spont. emission enhancement
- QND measurements & dispersive regime of cQED.
- cavity input & output relations (theory)
- measurement backaction.

DISPERSIVE REGIME OF CAVITY QED:

(Scully 19.3)

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hbar\omega_c}{2} \hat{\sigma}_z + \hbar\omega a^\dagger a + \hbar g (\hat{\sigma}^+ a + \hat{\sigma}^- a^\dagger)$$

The Hamiltonian expressed in the $|1\rangle \otimes |u+1\rangle; |2\rangle \otimes |u\rangle$ basis:

$$\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \hbar\omega_c/2 + \hbar\omega & \hbar g \sqrt{u+1} \\ \hbar g \sqrt{u+1} & \hbar\omega_c/2 + \hbar\omega \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that all diagonal terms are equal. $\langle 1, u+1 | \hat{\sigma}^+ a | 2, u \rangle = \sqrt{u+1}$
 $\langle 2, u | \hat{\sigma}^- a^\dagger | 1, u+1 \rangle = \sqrt{u+1}$

Matrix can be diagonalized: Eigenstates:

$$\begin{matrix} |1\rangle_u = \frac{\cos\theta_u}{2g\sqrt{u+1}} |2, u\rangle + \frac{\sin\theta_u}{(u-\Delta)^2 + 4g^2(u+1)} |1, u+1\rangle \\ |2\rangle_u = \frac{\sin\theta_u}{2g\sqrt{u+1}} |2, u\rangle + \frac{\cos\theta_u}{(u-\Delta)^2 + 4g^2(u+1)} |1, u+1\rangle \end{matrix}$$

$$R_u = \sqrt{\Delta^2 + 4g^2(u+1)} \quad \text{ie } R_{u=0} = \sqrt{4g^2} = 2g$$

$$|1\rangle_u = \sin\theta_u |2, u\rangle + \cos\theta_u |1, u+1\rangle$$

The Energies are given by: (Δ : detun)

$$\begin{aligned} E_+ &= \hbar\omega \cdot u + \hbar\omega_c/2 - \frac{\hbar}{2}(R_u - \Delta) \\ E_- &= \hbar\omega(u+1) - \hbar\omega_c/2 + \frac{\hbar}{2}(R_u - \Delta) \end{aligned}$$

The degeneracy of the two manifold is lifted.

$$\Delta = 0 \quad (\omega_{c2} = \omega)$$

ie $\det(\hat{H} - E \mathbb{1}) = 0$ ie eigenvalues.

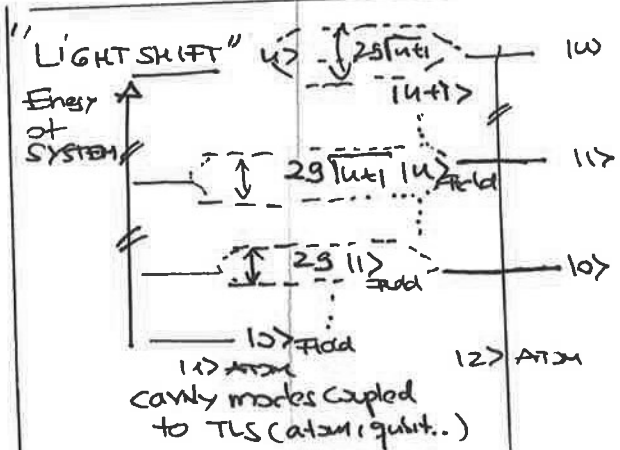
Thus

$$\begin{cases} E_{+u} = \hbar\omega \cdot u + \hbar\omega_c/2 + \frac{\hbar}{2}(R_u - \Delta) \\ E_{-u} = \hbar\omega(u+1) - \hbar\omega_c/2 + \frac{\hbar}{2}(R_u - \Delta) \end{cases}$$

initially degenerate levels

very important regime: $\Delta \gg 2g\sqrt{u} = R_u$

$$\begin{aligned} |1\rangle &\approx |1, u+1\rangle \\ |2\rangle &\approx |2, u\rangle \end{aligned}$$



Graphical presentation of the resonant case of cQED.

consider

Dispersive regime of CQEP:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{+u} &= \omega a(u+1) + \omega_{12} u/2 - \omega_{12} u/2 - \omega_{12} (2u-\Delta) \\ E_{-u} &= \omega u + \omega_{12} u/2 + \omega_{12} (2u-\Delta) \end{aligned}$$

EXACT diagonalization

yield in the $\Delta \gg g^2$ regime

$$\begin{aligned} E_{+u} &= \omega u + \frac{1}{2} \omega_{12} u - \frac{g^2(u+1)}{\Delta} \\ E_{-u} &= \omega u + \frac{1}{2} \omega_{12} u + \frac{g^2(u+1)}{\Delta} \end{aligned}$$

Total Energy of System in diagonalized state

Since: $2u \equiv \sqrt{4g^2(u+1) + \Delta^2} \approx \Delta \sqrt{\frac{4g^2(u+1)}{\Delta^2} + 1}$ i.e. $\frac{4g^2(u+1)}{\Delta^2} \ll 1$

$$\frac{1}{2}(2u - \Delta) \approx \frac{1}{2} \left[\Delta \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{4g^2(u+1)}{\Delta^2}} \right) - \Delta \right] = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \frac{4g^2(u+1)}{\Delta^2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \frac{g^2(u+1)}{\Delta^2}$$

$$|1+\rangle \approx |2, u\rangle \quad |1-\rangle \approx |1, u+1\rangle$$

correction to energy

Thus: the shift is $\frac{1}{2} \Delta \frac{g^2(u+1)}{\Delta^2}$ photon number dependent
Note that $E_{1,0} = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta$

The shift per atom is $\left(\frac{g^2}{\Delta}\right)(u+1/2)$ or cavity dropped by (g^2/Δ)

KEY POINT: the shift is proportional to photon number (u):

$$\hat{H}_{int} = \frac{g}{\Delta} (\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}) \hat{\sigma}_z$$

(homework)

$$\hat{\sigma}_z = \hat{\sigma}_+ \hat{\sigma}_-$$

note that $\hat{A}$ obtained by unitary transformation: $U \equiv e^{\frac{g}{\Delta}(\hat{a}^\dagger - \hat{a})\hat{\sigma}_z}$
 $U \hat{H}_0 U^\dagger \approx (\omega_{12} + \frac{g^2}{\Delta} \hat{\sigma}_z) \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}(\omega_{12} + \frac{g^2}{\Delta}) \hat{\sigma}_z$

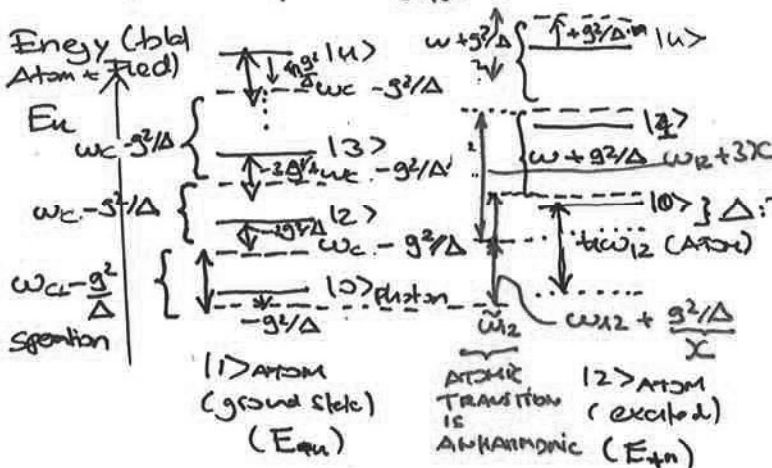
Thus the frequency of qubit is pulled!

This Hamiltonian has thus special properties. Consider the two level system Energy $\hat{H}_0 |1\rangle = -\omega_{12}/2$ $\hat{H}_0 |2\rangle = +\omega_{12}/2$ (bare freq).

$$E_2 - E_1 \equiv \omega_{12} = \omega_{12} \left(1 + \frac{g^2}{\Delta} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}\right)$$

Graphical representation of dispersive regime.

$$\chi \equiv g^2/\Delta$$



thus the levels are equally spaced by $\omega_{12} \mp g^2/\Delta$ but depend on excited or ground state!

DETUNING OF ATOM AND PHOTON.

i.e. $\omega - \omega_{12}$ arising from $|E_{+u} - E_{-u}|$

$$E_{+u} = \omega_{12} + \frac{g^2}{\Delta} u$$

$$E_{\pm u} = (u+1)\omega_{12} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{4g^2(u+1) + \Delta^2}$$

Exact expression

i.e. we have a nonlinear pulling of the ~~atomic~~ photon energy (ie frequency) that is NONLINEAR at the SINGLE PHOTON LADDER. or:

re-express states: $|1+\rangle \approx |2, u\rangle$ and $|1-\rangle \approx |1, u+1\rangle$ in basis: (original one ATOM & FIELD)

$$|1+, 0\rangle \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |2, 1\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |2, 0\rangle$$

$$|1-, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |1, 1\rangle + |2, 0\rangle$$

admixture of state

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DISPERSIVE REGIME

The dispersive regime thus causes a light shift that is state dependent ($|1\rangle$ or $|2\rangle$ in atomic basis) $\rightarrow$ readout of qubits in a QND manner (more later)

Hence the atomic transition and photon transition frequencies are AC STARK / LAMB shifted.

Photon's: energy shift $E_{ph} = \frac{\hbar \omega}{2} \pm \frac{g^2}{\Delta} n$ (ie shift / ATOM dependent reference shift)
ie bosonic, equally spaced.

Atom frequency shift (ie transition frequency) $E_{ns} = \pm \frac{\hbar \omega_{12}}{2} + \frac{g^2}{\Delta} n$
Photon number dependent transition

The behavior can be reproduced by performing a transformation of the Hamiltonian (unitary)

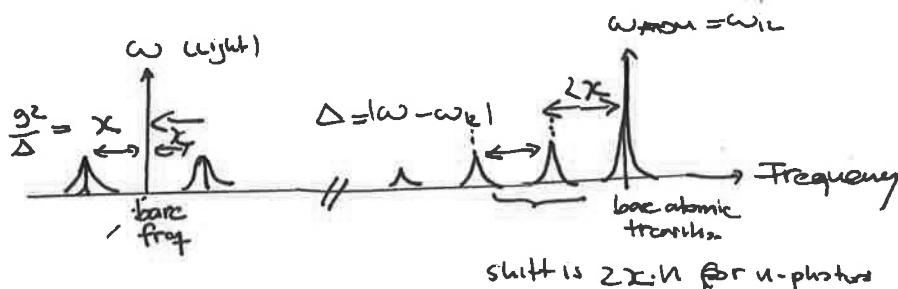
$$\hat{U} = \exp\left(\frac{g}{\Delta} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{\sigma} - \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{\sigma}\right)$$

and $\hat{U} \hat{H} \hat{U}^\dagger \approx \underbrace{\hbar \omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}}_{\text{2nd order photon}} + \hbar \omega \frac{g^2}{\Delta} \hat{\sigma}_z + \underbrace{\frac{\hbar \omega_{12}}{2} \hat{\sigma}_z}_{\text{Atom}} + \underbrace{\frac{g^2}{\Delta} \hat{\sigma}_z}_{\text{shift in level (static)}}$

regrouping $\hat{H} = \hbar \omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} (1 + \frac{g^2}{\Delta} \hat{\sigma}_z) + (\frac{\hbar \omega_{12}}{2} + \frac{g^2}{\Delta}) \hat{\sigma}_z$
($\pm \frac{g^2}{\Delta}$) shift AC STARK shift of photon (ie carry)

or: $\hat{H} = \hbar \omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \hat{\sigma}_z \left(\frac{\hbar \omega_{12}}{2} + \frac{g^2}{\Delta} + \frac{g^2}{\Delta} \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \hbar \omega \right)$
shift of the ATOM depends on $n \leftarrow \frac{\hbar \omega g^2}{\Delta}$ shift

Frequency Landscape:



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Ref.: Harade book / Lectures
• Scully Quantum Optics.

Dispersive shift for QND photon measurements

Send Atom through cavity in superposition state (use ATOM's to probe LIGHT)

→ Ramsey interferometer "Method of separated fields"

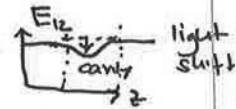
$$| \psi \rangle_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| e \rangle + | g \rangle) \quad \text{used in any atomic clock}$$



meter states: Projection to $|1\rangle\langle 1|$
or $|2\rangle\langle 2|$

i.e. excited or ground state.

Note $\sim \left(u \frac{g^2}{\Delta} \right)$ is ^{phase} atomic shift of atom $\rightarrow$



Likewise the field shifts by $\left(\frac{g^2}{\Delta} \right)$ (single photon Kerr shift)

i.e. the light shift per photon is energy conservation!

i.e. cav. frequency becomes $\omega_{\text{cav}} = \omega - g^2/\Delta$ i.e. frequency shift is state dependent $|e\rangle, |g\rangle$ is pulled!
 $\rightarrow +/-$ sign change

$\rightarrow$ Kerr shift due to atom.

NOTE: QND is phase shift of optical field is state dependent.

consider evolution in cavity for time T_{cav} .

evolution:

$$(1) \text{ Ramsey zone } \begin{cases} C_{g,u} = i g R/2 \cdot C_{e,u} \\ C_{e,u} = i g R/2 \cdot C_{g,u} \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} C_{g,u} = \cos(\frac{g R t}{2}) \\ C_{e,u} = \sin(\frac{g R t}{2}) i \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \text{ when pass through cavity } \begin{cases} C_{g,u} = \cos(\frac{g R t}{2}) \times \left[\exp(i \frac{g^2 u}{\Delta} \cdot \tau) \right] \\ C_{e,u} = i \sin(\frac{g R t}{2}) \end{cases}$$

Phase shift $\rightarrow$ cavity

$$(3) \text{ Second interferometer: } \begin{cases} C_{g,u} = \cos^2(\frac{g R t}{2}) \exp(i \frac{g^2 u}{\Delta} \tau) - \sin^2(\frac{g R t}{2}) \\ C_{e,u} = \frac{i}{2} \sin(g R t) \left[\exp(i \frac{g^2 u}{\Delta} \tau) + 1 \right] \end{cases}$$

Therefore for $g R t = \pi/2$ one obtains

$$P_g = |C_{g,u}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(\frac{g^2 u}{\Delta} \tau_c))$$

$$P_e = |C_{e,u}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(\frac{g^2 u}{\Delta} \tau_c))$$

This is for $\tau_c g^2/\Delta = \pi$ a parity measurement even & odd give

up or down. Key: delay the measurements to skip in

PROJECTED. Evident when compute full state & projecting it.

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$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = 0$$



$$\theta^2 \propto I^2$$

Synchrotron
(power)
radiation

$$\langle \hat{O}_S^2 \rangle$$

$$\langle \hat{N}^2 \rangle = \bar{N}$$

$\Rightarrow$ integral

$$\bar{N} \cdot \omega = \frac{1}{K} \int \sin^2 \theta \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$\bar{N} = \frac{\int \sin^2 \theta \sin \theta d\theta}{\int \sin \theta d\theta}$$

$$\langle \hat{N}^2 \rangle = \bar{N}$$

$$\bar{N} = \left(\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{K} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{N} = \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{K}$$

Time measurement!

$$\Delta \theta^2 = \frac{S_{\theta}}{t_m} \cdot \frac{S_{\theta}}{t_m}$$

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$$\langle \Delta \hat{N}^2 \rangle = \langle \hat{N}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{N} \rangle^2 = \overline{\alpha^2} \langle 0 | d d^\dagger | 0 \rangle = N$$

Define quadratures $\hat{x}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger)$ $\hat{x}_2 = \frac{i}{2} (\hat{a}^\dagger - \hat{a})$

Let's assume $\langle \hat{x}_1 \rangle = \sqrt{2} \alpha$ i.e. $\langle x_1 \rangle = \sqrt{2} (\alpha + \alpha^*) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} 2\alpha = \sqrt{2} \alpha$
(fixed) $\langle \hat{x}_2 \rangle = 0$ ($= \frac{1}{2} (\alpha - \alpha) = 0$) $\wedge$ ($\langle \hat{x}_2^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle 0 | d d^\dagger | 0 \rangle$)

Let us define a Phase i.e. $\langle \hat{\theta} \rangle = \frac{\langle \hat{y} \rangle}{\langle \hat{x} \rangle}$ $\theta \ll 1$

Thus $\Delta \theta^2 = \frac{\langle \hat{x}_1^2 \rangle}{(\langle \hat{x}_1 \rangle)^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \langle 0 | d d^\dagger | 0 \rangle}{2N} = \frac{1}{4N}$

Also note that $\langle \Delta \hat{N}^2 \rangle = N$

Thus $\left| \underbrace{(\Delta \theta)^2}_{\text{classical "phase" uncertainty}} \cdot \langle \Delta \hat{N}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{4N} \cdot N = \frac{1}{4} \right|$ i.e.

Returning to the question of measurements. Assume $\langle \hat{x}_2 \rangle = \pm 1$
state of the qubit. $\theta_{\pm} = \text{Arc}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \cdot (\pm 1)$ Phase shift
of reflected
input field

If $\theta \ll 1$ it will imply that many photons are necessary
to determine state of the cavity [weak measurements].

*Note: photon number is strongly measured.

The analysis can be repeated for the input fields

$$\hat{a}_{in} = \bar{a}_{in} + \underbrace{\delta \hat{a}_{in}}_{\text{vacuum noise}} \quad \bar{N} = \mathbb{I} = |\langle \hat{a}_{in} \rangle|^2 = (\bar{a}_{in})^2$$

and $\langle \hat{N}(t) \hat{N}(0) \rangle - \langle \hat{N} \rangle^2 = \bar{N} \delta(t)$ Fluctuations.

Noise spectral density $S_{\hat{N}\hat{N}} = \bar{N}$ (white) i.e. $S_{\hat{N}\hat{N}} = \int \overline{e^{i\omega t}} \delta(t) dt$ autocorr.

Phase $\hat{\theta} = \frac{i \langle \hat{a}_{in}^\dagger - \hat{a}_{in} \rangle}{\langle \hat{a}_{in} + \hat{a}_{in} \rangle} = \langle \theta \rangle + i \frac{(\delta \hat{a}_{in}^\dagger - \delta \hat{a}_{in})}{2 \bar{a}_{in}}$

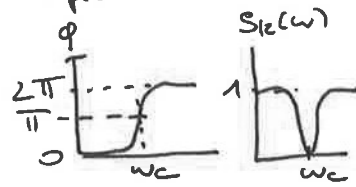
$\Rightarrow$ Noise correlator $\langle \delta \theta(t) \delta \theta(0) \rangle = \frac{1}{4N} \delta(t) \Rightarrow S_{\theta\theta} = \frac{1}{4N} = S_{\theta\theta} S_{\hat{N}\hat{N}} = \frac{1}{4}$

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Measurements with parametrically coupled resonant cavities

- measure phase from cavity
- weak, continuous measurement



Two examples:

- QND measurement for qubit state
- non-QND of mechanical mirror motion

First compute classical phase

$$\hat{H} = \hbar \omega_c \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \left(1 + \underbrace{A \hat{V}_z}_{\text{dispersive shift}} + \underbrace{\hbar \omega_{12} \hat{V}_z}_{\text{TLS}} + \hat{H}_{\text{diss}} \right)$$

The cavities equation of motion: with dissipation

$$\begin{cases} (1) \hat{a}_{\text{out}} = \hat{a}_{\text{in}} + \sqrt{\kappa} \cdot \hat{a} & \text{input-output relation} \\ (2) \partial_t \hat{a} = -i(\omega_c + A \hat{V}_z) \hat{a} - \kappa/2 - \sqrt{\kappa} \hat{a}_{\text{in}} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{r(\omega = \omega_c) = - \left(\frac{1 + 2iA\hat{V}_z \cdot Q_c}{1 - 2iA\hat{V}_z \cdot Q_c} \right)} \quad \text{and } Q_c = \omega/\kappa$$

(on resonance reflection) "Quality factor"

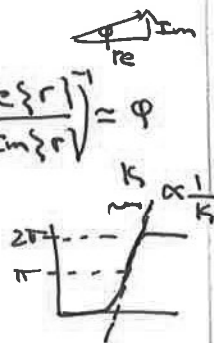
thus $|r(\omega = \omega_c)| = 1$

Phase, $r = |r|e^{i\varphi} \frac{e^{i\pi}}{-1}$ φ : reflected phase.

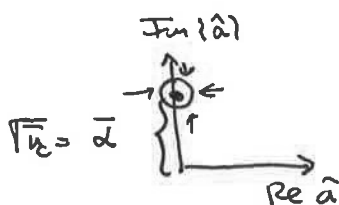
Phase: $|\varphi \approx 4 Q_c A \hat{V}_z|$

$$\tan \varphi = \left(\frac{\text{Re}\{r\}}{\text{Im}\{r\}} \right)^{-1} = \varphi$$

$$\varphi = 4 \frac{\omega_c}{\kappa} A \hat{V}_z = \underbrace{\left(\frac{4}{\kappa} \right)}_{\text{slope of response curve}} \underbrace{\omega_c A \hat{V}_z}_{\text{cavity shift}}$$



next: phasor diagram for the cavity amplitude:



$$\hat{a} = \bar{a} + \hat{d} \quad (\hat{d} \hat{a} \hat{d}^\dagger = \hat{a}) \quad \text{noise operator} \quad [\hat{d} \hat{a}, \hat{d} \hat{a}^\dagger] = 1$$

linearization procedure.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{N} &= \langle \hat{u} \rangle = \langle \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} \rangle = \langle \bar{a} \hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{d} \hat{a}^\dagger \rangle \\ &= \bar{a}^2 + \bar{a} \langle 0 | \hat{d}^\dagger | 0 \rangle + \bar{a} \langle 0 | \hat{d} | 0 \rangle + \langle \hat{d} \hat{d}^\dagger | 0 \rangle \\ &= \bar{a}^2 \end{aligned}$$