

# **What The Quantum Control Can Do For Us?**

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# Goals

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- ▶ To extend the feedback design method to quantum domain
- ▶ To apply the result to very important quantum control problems
- ▶ To demonstrate the effectiveness of the obtained results
- ▶ To draw your attention to this new growing and challenging field

# Contents

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- Introduction
- Elements of Quantum Mechanics
- Quantum Feedback Nonlinearization
- Disturbance Decoupling
- Conclusions and Perspectives

# Early-Stage History

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- ▶ **1980s Tarn Group (US)**

Modeling, controllability and invertibility, non-demonition filtering

- ▶ **1980s Belavkin (Britain)**

Filtering and stochastic control

- ▶ **Late 1980s –1990s Rabitz Group (US)**

Optimal control theory and Learning control in ultrafast chemical control systems

- ▶ **Late 1980s –1990s Tannor, Kosloff and Rice (US)**

Bond-selective control of chemical reactions

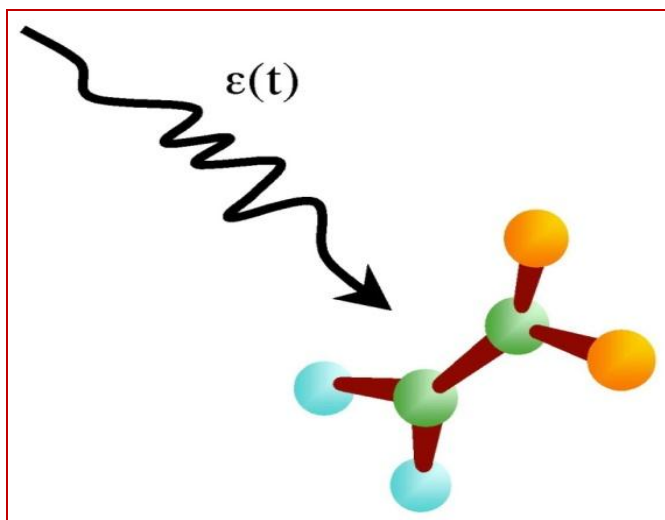
# Opportunities for Quantum Control

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- ▶ Extremely high-precision measurement
- ▶ Ultracold systems in condensed matter science
- ▶ High-intensity and short-wavelength light sources
- ▶ Ultrafast control on the motion of atoms/electrons
- ▶ Quantum engineering on the nanoscale structures
- ▶ Quantum computation, data security and encryption

From “Controlling the quantum world: the science of atoms, molecules and photons”, Physics 2010, National Research Council (2007)

# Laser Control of Molecules



Successful experiments have been reported to date over 150 systems in over 20 physical and chemical categories

## Research Groups

- *H. Rabitz* (Princeton)
- *T. Weinacht* (Stonybrook)
- *R. Levis* (Temple)
- *G. Gerber* (Würzburg)
- *M. Zanni* (Wisconsin)
- *L. Woeste* (Berlin)
- *T. Brixner* (Würzburg)
- .....

# Physical Implementations of Quantum Computer

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- ▶ **Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)**
- ▶ **Superconducting Josephson Junction**
- ▶ **Quantum Tunneling**
- ▶ **Ion Trap**
- ▶ **Quantum Dot**
- ▶ **Cavity QED**

# Nobel Prize in Physics, 2012

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In the recent Nobel Prize awards 2012, **Serge Haroche** and **David Wineland** were jointly awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics for their "*ground-breaking experimental methods that enable measuring and manipulation of individual quantum systems*".



# Classical Mechanics

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Determine the position of a particle at any time,

$$x(t) \Rightarrow v(t) = \frac{dx}{dt} \Rightarrow p(t) = mv(t) \Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2(t)$$

To determine  $x(t)$ , using

$$F = ma$$

For conservative system,

$$F = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \Rightarrow m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}$$

with initial conditions

# Elements of Quantum Mechanics

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A quantum particle is described by its **wavefunction**  $\psi(t, x)$  determined by the Schrödinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial |\psi(t, x)\rangle}{\partial t} = \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \right] |\psi(t, x)\rangle$$

where the ket  $|\psi(t, x)\rangle$  represents the quantum state

$|\psi(t, x)|^2 dx =$  Probability of finding the particle  
between  $x$  and  $x + dx$  at time  $t$

**Evolution is unitary to preserve the probability**

# Non-Classical Features

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## Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle

Two non-commuting observables can not be measured simultaneously accurately.

For example:  $[\hat{x}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar \Rightarrow \Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$

where  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  is the commutator

**NO classical trajectory can be defined for a quantum particle !**

# Non-Classical Features

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## Entanglement

tensor product + superposition

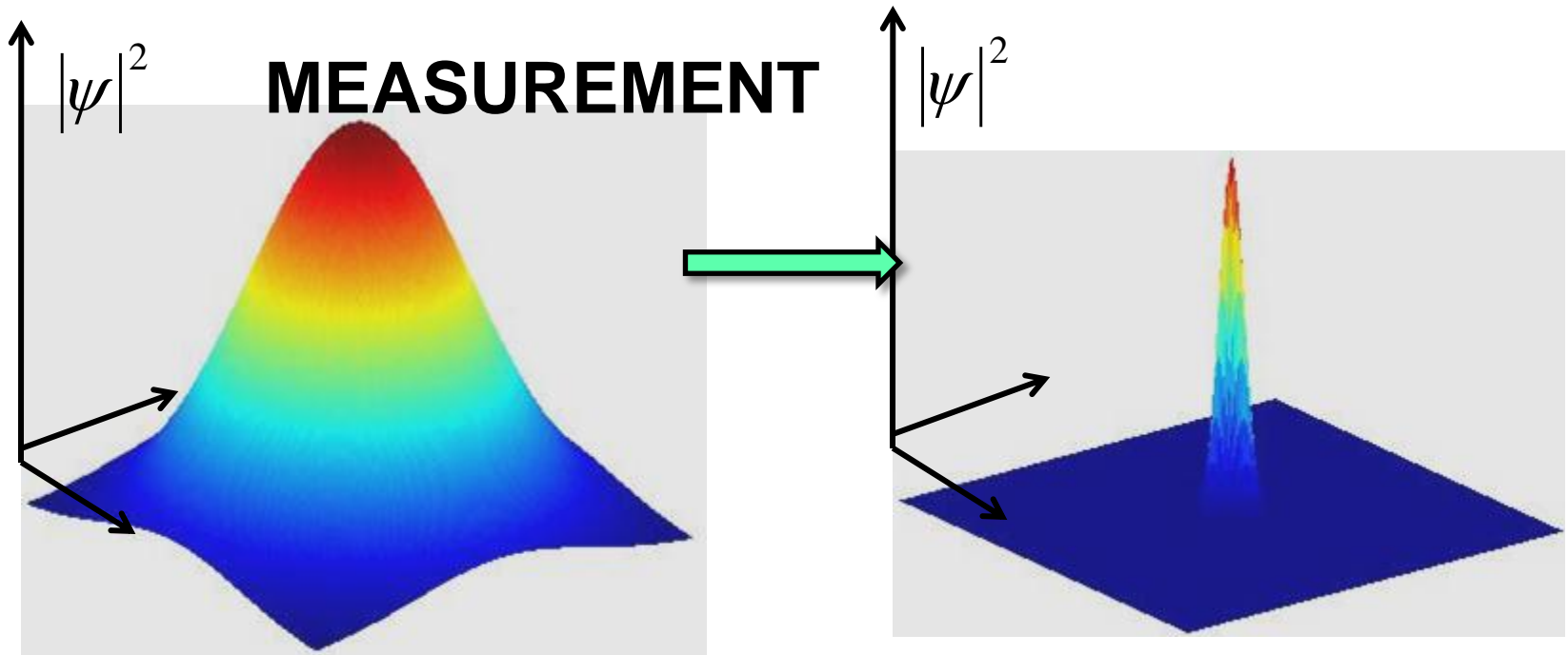
System of  $n$  qubits  $H = \underbrace{\mathbf{C}^2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{C}^2}_n$  (  $\mathbf{dim} = 2^n$  )

Entangle 250 atoms together and one can simultaneously encode more numbers than there are atoms in the known universe!

# Non-Classical Features

## Quantum Measurement

Wavefunction collapses instantaneously and randomly after measurement



# Continuous Measurements

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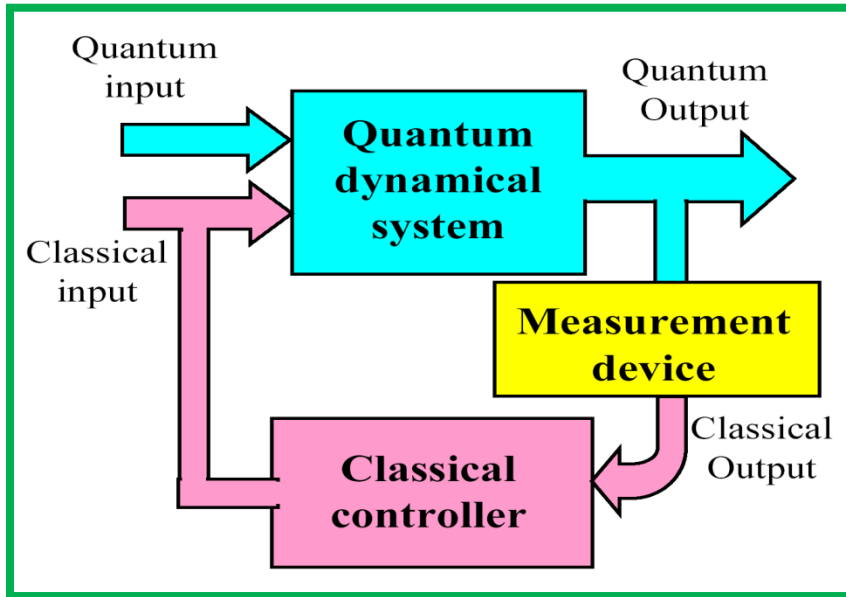
Significant progress in the late 1970s and 80s shows that, within the axiomatic framework of Quantum Mechanics, a consistent formulation of measurement theory was possible based on Positive Operator Value Measure (POVM) in continuous time.

## Applications to

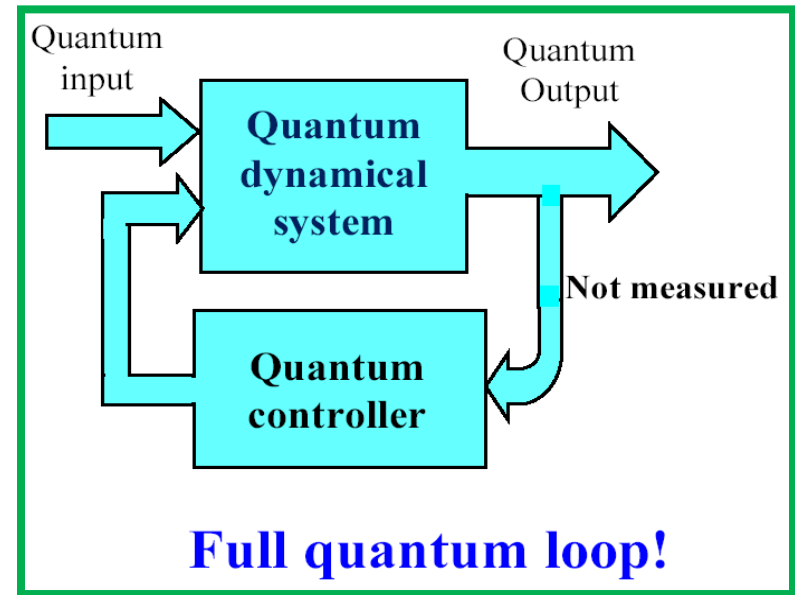
- ▶ Photon Detection
- ▶ Currently applied to Quantum Dots

# Quantum feedback schemes

Measurement-based feedback  
(Classical control)



Coherent feedback  
(Quantum control)



Essential distinction: the control loop is quantum or not !

Given a quantum control system:

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + \sum_i g_i(x)u_i(x)$$

## 1. Measurement-based feedback (classical Control)

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + \sum_i g_i(x)u_i(x); \quad y = h(x)$$

design  $u_i(x) = K(h(x))$

## 2. Coherent feedback (Quantum Control)

$$\dot{x} = f(x) + \sum_i g_i(x)u_i(x) + \sum_j l_j(x)v_j(x)$$

adding  $\sum_j l_j(x)v_j(x)$ , then we could design  $u_i(x), v_j(x)$



# The First Problem: Motivations

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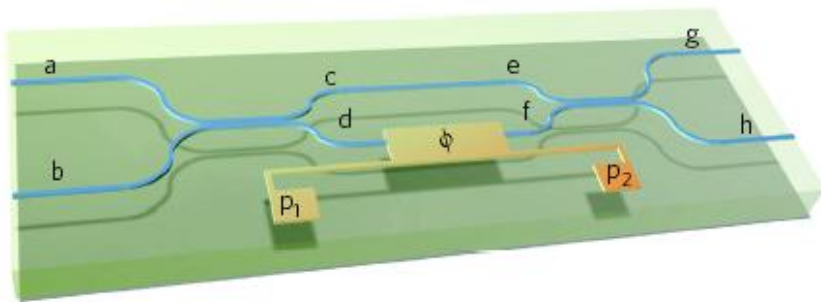
## A long-standing question in quantum control

Is there any problem that can be accomplished by quantum control, but not by classical control?

## Nonlinear quantum optics on chip

Natural nonlinearity is too weak to demonstrate novel quantum optical phenomena.

Is there any way to artificially generate and enhance the desired nonlinearity?



Science **325**, 1221 (2009)

Nature Photonics **3**, 346 (2009)

# The aims of our work

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## **To establish a paradigm for the first question**

Classical feedback cannot generate quantum nonlinearity

(see our work in Physical Review A **82**, 022101 (2010));

**However, full quantum feedback can do It !**

**The second question will be answered in the examples shown later**

# Previous work in coherent feedback

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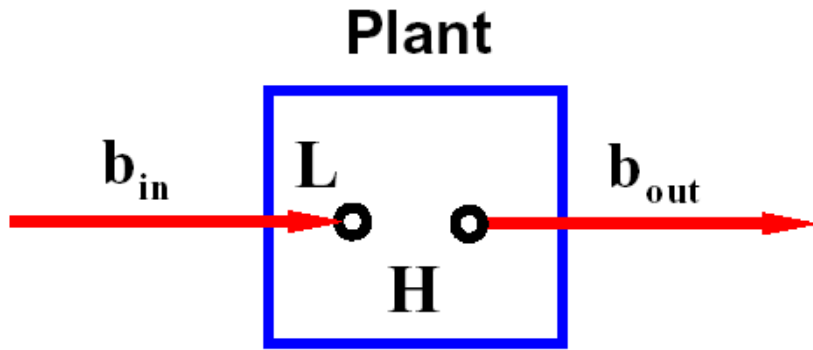
## General theory of linear coherent feedback

Hudson-Parthasarathy (HP) model: IEEE TAC **54**, 2530 (2009)

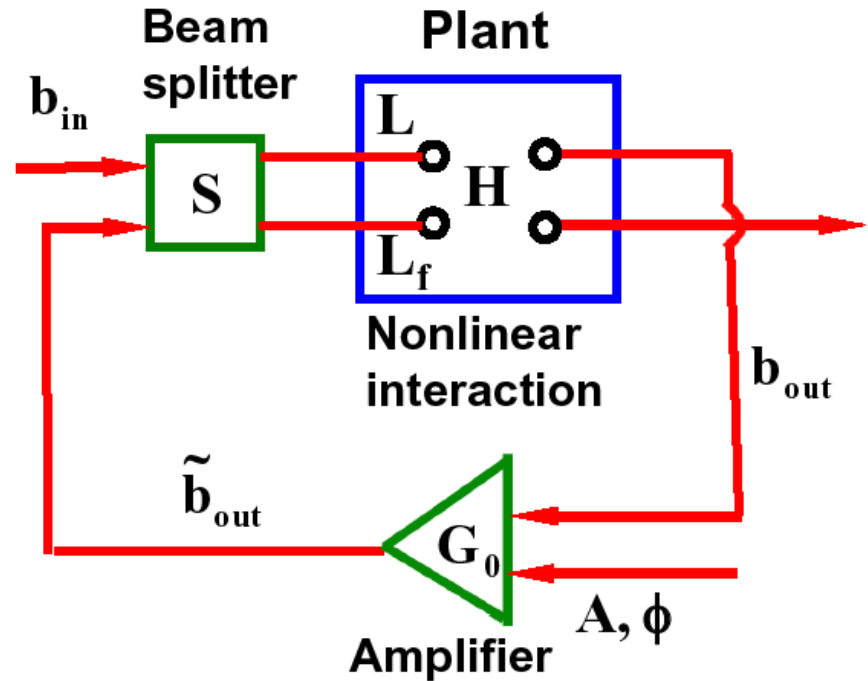
Quantum transfer function: IEEE TAC **48**, 2107 (2003),  
Phys. Rev. A **81**, 023804 (2010).

**Existing methods are not applicable to nonlinear coherent feedback !**

# The proposed feedback system



Open-loop system



Closed-loop system

# Our main result

Uncontrolled system dynamics

$$\dot{\rho} = -i[H, \rho] + L\rho L^\dagger - L^\dagger L\rho/2 - \rho L^\dagger L/2$$

Controlled system dynamics

$$\dot{\rho} = \underbrace{-i[H_{\text{eff}}, \rho]}_{\text{Feedback-induced nonlinear Hamiltonian}} + \underbrace{\tilde{L}\rho\tilde{L}^\dagger - \tilde{L}^\dagger\tilde{L}\rho/2 - \rho\tilde{L}^\dagger\tilde{L}/2}_{\text{Decoherence induced by the input vacuum field}}$$

$$+ \underbrace{(N+1)D[\tilde{L}]\rho + ND[\tilde{L}^\dagger]\rho + [M^*(\tilde{L}\rho\tilde{L} - \tilde{L}^2\rho/2 - \rho\tilde{L}^2/2) + \text{h.c.}]}_{\text{Decoherence induced by the quantum amplifier}}$$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \underbrace{H}_{\text{Uncontrolled Hamiltonian}} + \underbrace{\frac{i}{2}\sqrt{G_0}}_{\text{Enhanced by quantum amplifier}} \underbrace{[(L+L^\dagger)S^\dagger L_f - L_f^\dagger S(L+L^\dagger)]}_{\text{Control induced nonlinear term}}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\sqrt{G_0}A[(\cos\phi)L + i(\sin\phi)S^\dagger L_f + \text{h.c.}]}_{\text{This term is introduced to cancel the linear term}}$$

# Main difficulties for analysis

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- Non-commutative quantum probability theory
- Analysis of quantum nonlinearity
- Noise is defined on the infinite-dimensional quantum Fock space
- Hard to obtain a quantum closed-form equation

# Key Derivations (I)

1. Obtain the quantum stochastic differential equation (QSDE) of the total system including the input field and the amplifier

$$d\bar{U} = \left\{ -i\bar{H}dt - \frac{1}{2}\bar{L}^\dagger\bar{L}dt + dB^\dagger\bar{L} - \bar{L}^\dagger dB + \text{tr}[(\bar{S} - I)d\Lambda] \right\} \bar{U}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{S} = S^2, \bar{L} = L_f + S(\sqrt{\kappa}c + L), \bar{H} = H + H_c + \frac{i}{2}\sqrt{\kappa}(L^\dagger c - c^\dagger L) \\ + \frac{i}{2}[(L^\dagger + \sqrt{\kappa}c^\dagger)S^\dagger L_f - L_f^\dagger S(L + \sqrt{\kappa}c)] \end{aligned}$$

Quantum Ito rule

Classical Ito rule

$$dWdW^* = dW^*dW = dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} dBdB^\dagger &= dt, & dB^\dagger dB &= 0, \\ dBd\Lambda &= dB, & d\Lambda dB &= 0, \\ dB^\dagger d\Lambda &= 0, & d\Lambda dB^\dagger &= dB^\dagger, \\ d\Lambda d\Lambda &= d\Lambda \end{aligned}$$

# Key Derivations (II)

2. Using singular perturbation method to adiabatically eliminate the degrees of freedom of the quantum amplifier

Decomposition  $\bar{U} = UV_\varepsilon$

$$dU = -i\left\{H + \frac{i}{2}L^\dagger S^\dagger L_f + \left[-i(L^\dagger - L_f^\dagger S) - 2Ae^{i\Phi}\right]a_\varepsilon + \text{h.c.}\right\}U dt$$

Quantum Ornstein-Uhlenbeck noise

$$a_\varepsilon = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{\kappa_0}}\left[G_1(c + c^\dagger) + G_2(c - c^\dagger)\right] + \frac{\kappa_0}{\kappa_0 - \xi_0} \int_0^t G_1(t - \tau) [SdB_\tau + \frac{1}{2}(L + S^\dagger L_f)d\tau] + \frac{\kappa_0}{\kappa_0 + \xi_0} \int_0^t G_2(t - \tau) \left[\frac{1}{2}(L + S^\dagger L_f)d\tau + SdB_\tau\right]$$

$$G_{1,2}(\tau) = \frac{\kappa_0 \pm \xi_0}{4\varepsilon} \exp\left[-\frac{\kappa_0 \pm \xi_0|\tau|}{2\varepsilon}\right] \rightarrow \delta(\tau), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$



# Key Derivations (III)

3. Average out all the noises to obtain the master equation

$$\dot{\rho} = -i[H_{\text{eff}}, \rho] + D[\tilde{L}]\rho + (N + 1)D[\tilde{L}]\rho + ND[\tilde{L}^\dagger] \\ + M^*(\tilde{L}\rho\tilde{L} - \tilde{L}^2\rho/2 - \rho\tilde{L}^2/2) + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\rho = U\rho_0U^\dagger; D[\tilde{L}]\rho = \tilde{L}\rho\tilde{L}^\dagger - \tilde{L}^\dagger\tilde{L}\rho/2 - \rho\tilde{L}^\dagger\tilde{L}/2$$

$$\tilde{L} = L - S^\dagger L_f; N = G_0 - 1; M = \sqrt{(G_0 - 1)G_0}$$

Extended quantum Ito rule

$$d\tilde{B}d\tilde{B}^\dagger = (N + 1)dt, d\tilde{B}^\dagger d\tilde{B} = Ndt, d\tilde{B}d\tilde{B} = Mdt$$

Cannot be obtained from HP model or quantum transfer function

] Detailed derivations can be found in IEEE Trans. Automat. Contr. **57**, 1997 (2012).

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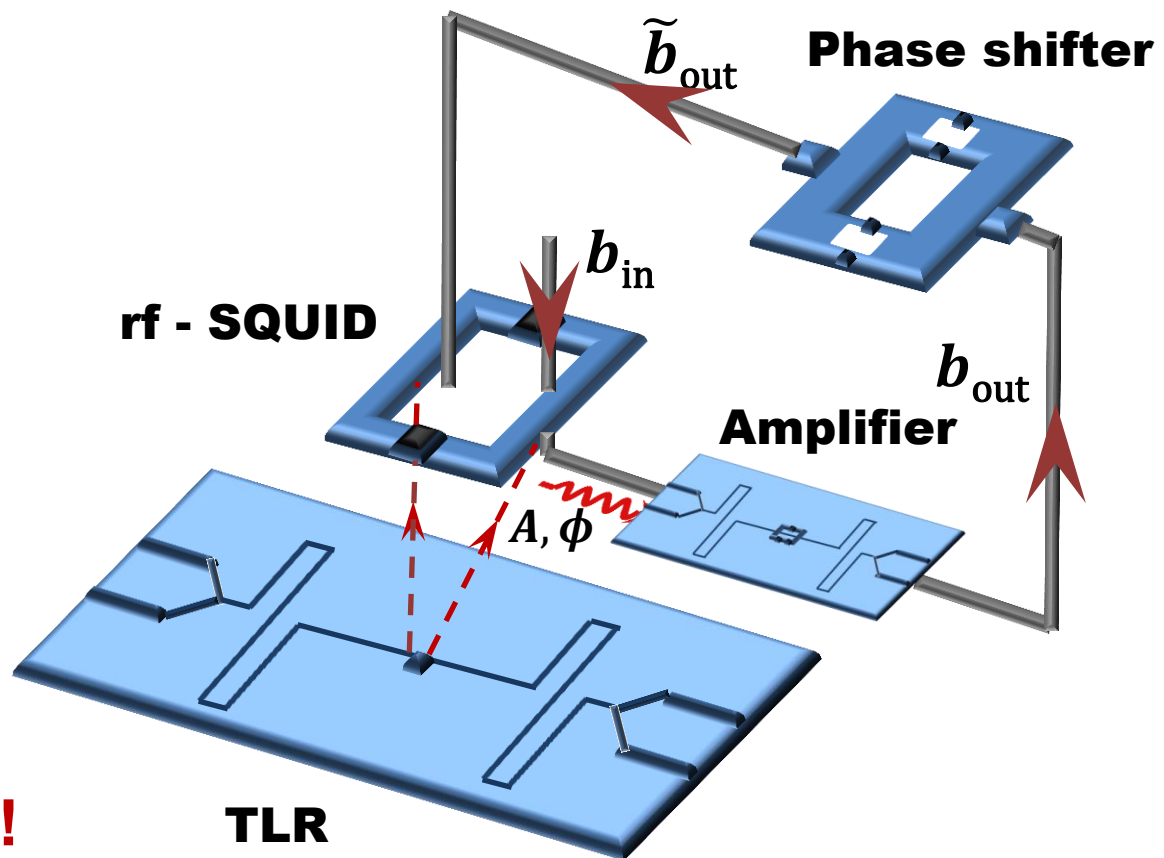
Is it possible for **experimental implementation** ?

# Generation of Kerr effect

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \underbrace{\chi(a^\dagger a)^2}_{\text{Induced Kerr term}} + (\omega_a - \delta)a^\dagger a$$

$$\delta = 2A\sqrt{G_0\gamma_a},$$
$$\chi = 2\sqrt{G_0\gamma_a}$$

$\chi$  is  $10^4$ - $10^5$  stronger than its natural value!

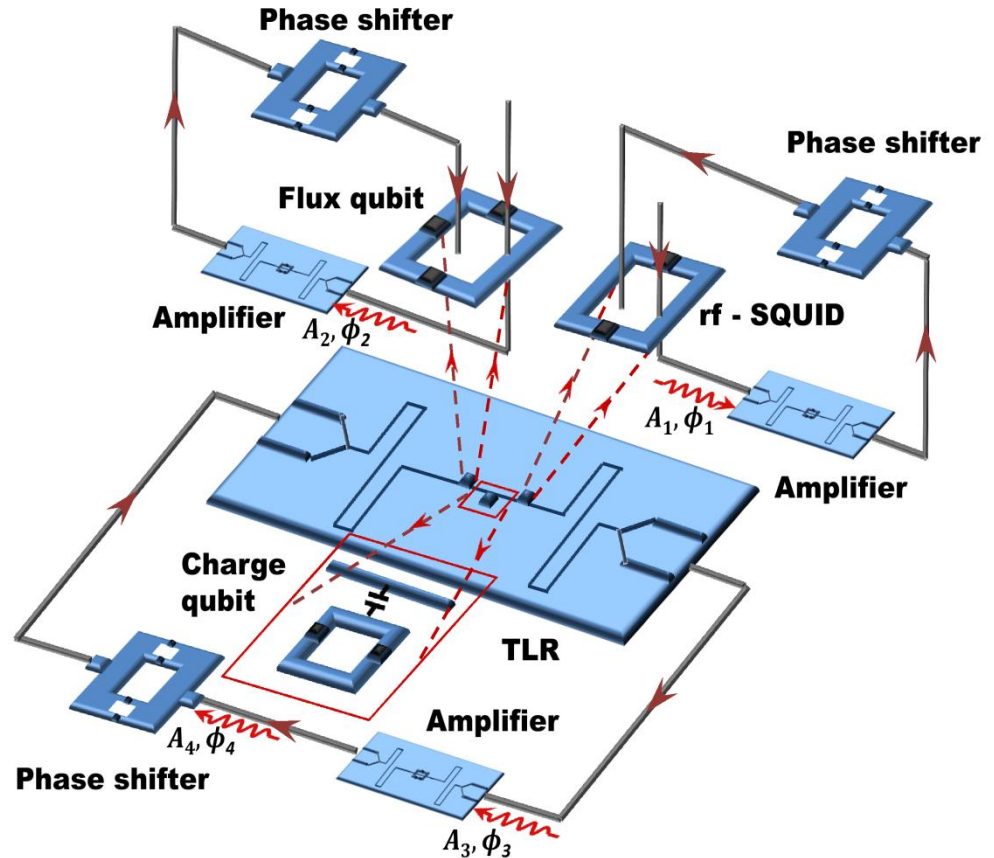


Potential applications: superposed quantum state preparation, quantum non-demolition measurement...

# Synthesis of high-order Hamiltonian

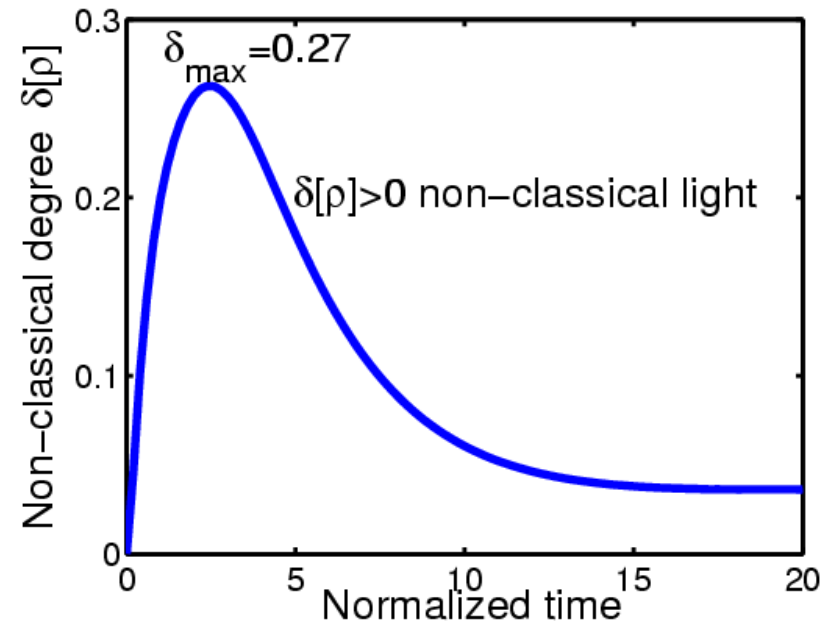
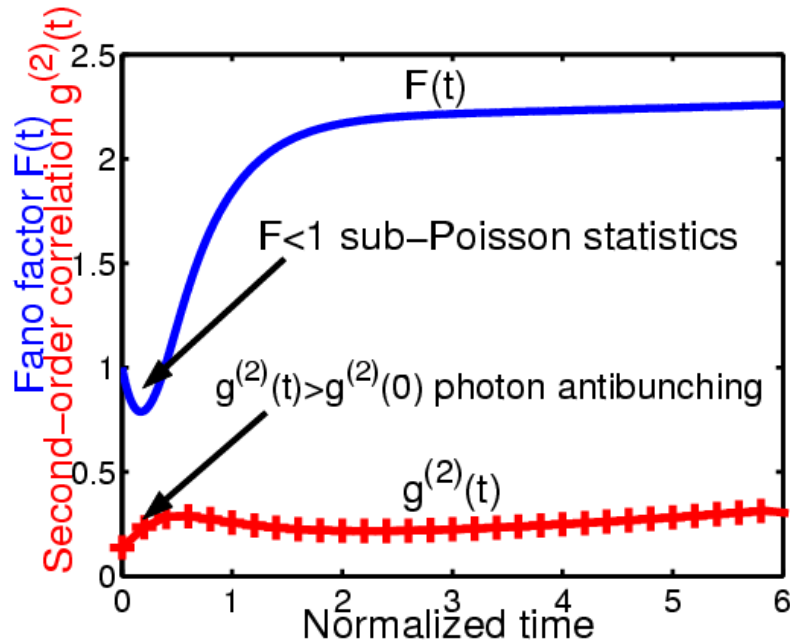
$$H_{\text{eff}} = \omega_a a^\dagger a + \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^4 \chi_k \left[ \frac{a^\dagger + a}{\sqrt{2}} \right]^k}_{\text{Induced nonlinear terms}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_1 &= A_4 \sqrt{2\gamma}, \\ \chi_2 &= 4A_1 \sqrt{G_1 \gamma_1} - 2A_3 \sqrt{G_3 \gamma_3}, \\ \chi_3 &= 2\sqrt{G_3 \gamma \gamma_3}, \\ \chi_4 &= 2\sqrt{G_1 \gamma \gamma_1}\end{aligned}$$



**Applications: nonlinear quantum optics and quantum information**

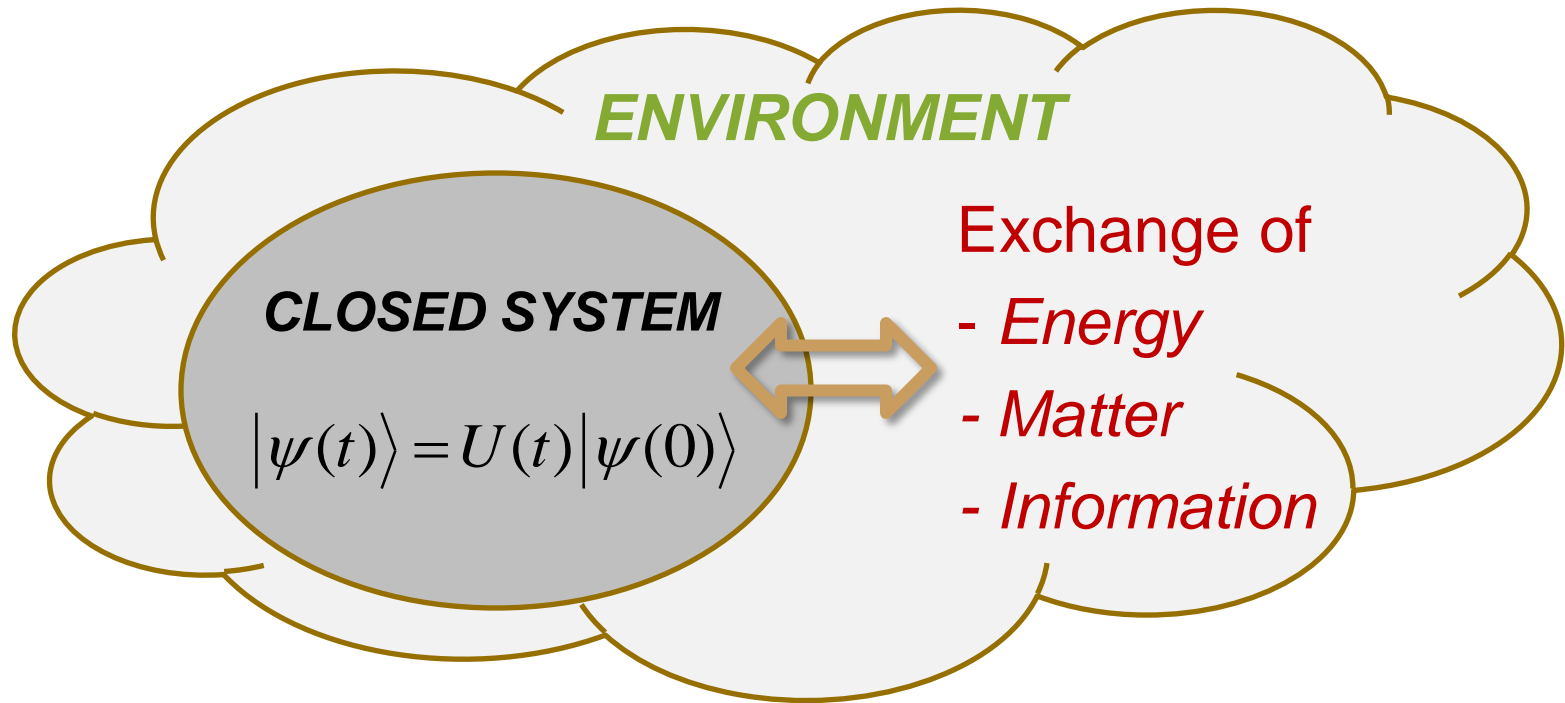
# Construction of non-classical light



- 1) Highly non-classical light can be generated.
- 2) Sub-Poisson statistics and photon antibunching can be observed;

# Open Quantum System

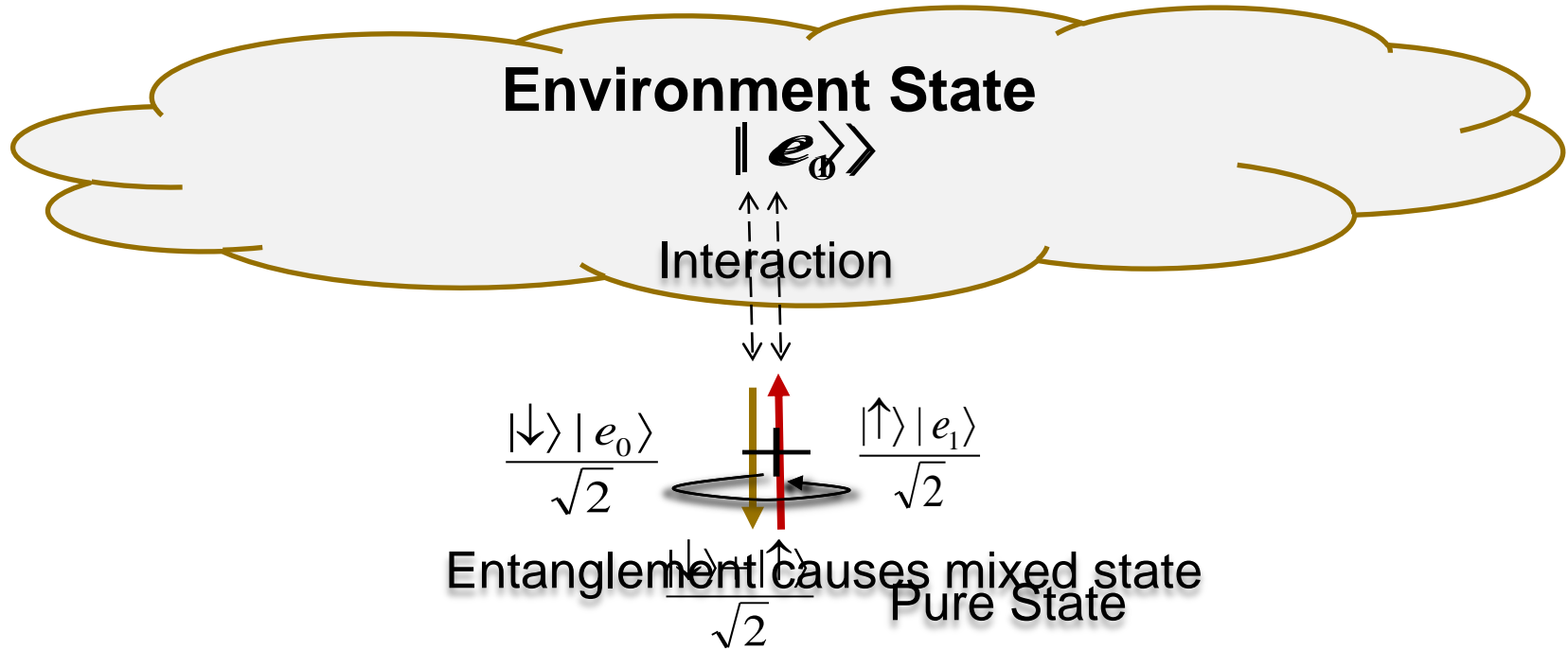
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Unitary evolution of total system (Closed)

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{SYSTEM} + \hat{H}_{ENVIRONMENT} + \hat{H}_{INTERACTION}$$

# What is Decoherence ?



- ▶ Loss of quantum superposition
- ▶ Extremely quick for macroscopic systems
- ▶ Quantum analog of damping / friction

# Control System Model

## Composite-system Schrödinger Equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial |\Psi(t)\rangle}{\partial t} = [\hat{H}_S(t) \otimes \mathbf{I}_E + \mathbf{I}_S \otimes \hat{H}_E(t) + \hat{H}_{SE}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^r u_i(t) \hat{H}_i \otimes \mathbf{I}_E] |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

Free Hamiltonian of the system

Hamiltonian for the environment

Interaction Hamiltonian between the system and the environment

**controls**

State of the Total System

Semiclassical Control Hamiltonians



# Decoherence is NOT Classical Noise

Consider the classical system

classical noise

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_i u_i(t) \mathbf{g}_i(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{w}(t) \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$$

- ▶ Dimensionality of the system remains the same with the ADDITION of classical noise.
- ▶ Dimensionality of the quantum system changes from  $\dim \mathbf{H}_S$  to  $\dim \mathbf{H}_S \times \dim \mathbf{H}_E$
- ▶ Leads to entanglement and loss of information

# The Second Problem:

## Disturbance Decoupling

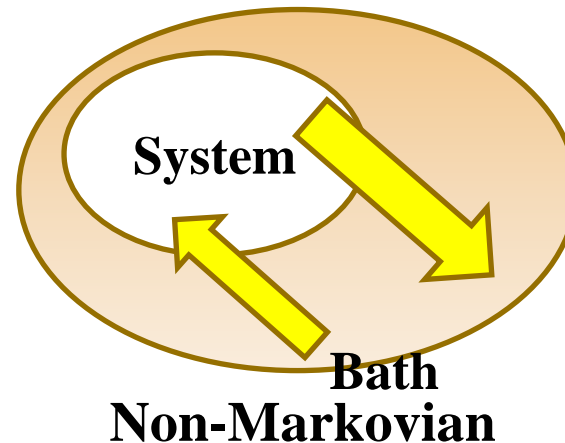
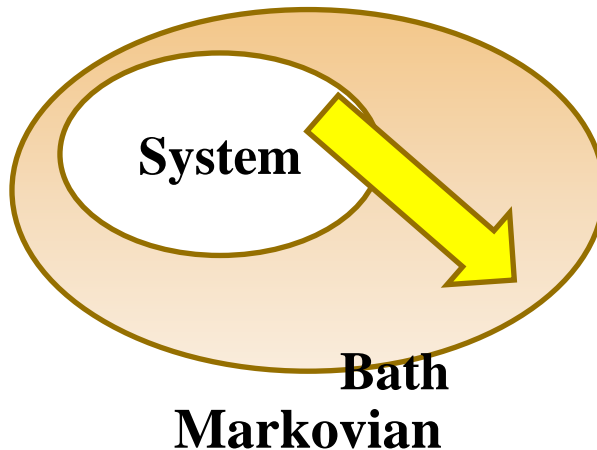
**Coherent Quantum  
Feedback Rejection  
of Non-Markovian  
Noises**

# Motivations

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- Why quantum information revolution has not come?

## Decoherence



- How to utilize **coherent feedback** scheme to suppress non-Markovian decoherence ?

# Objectives

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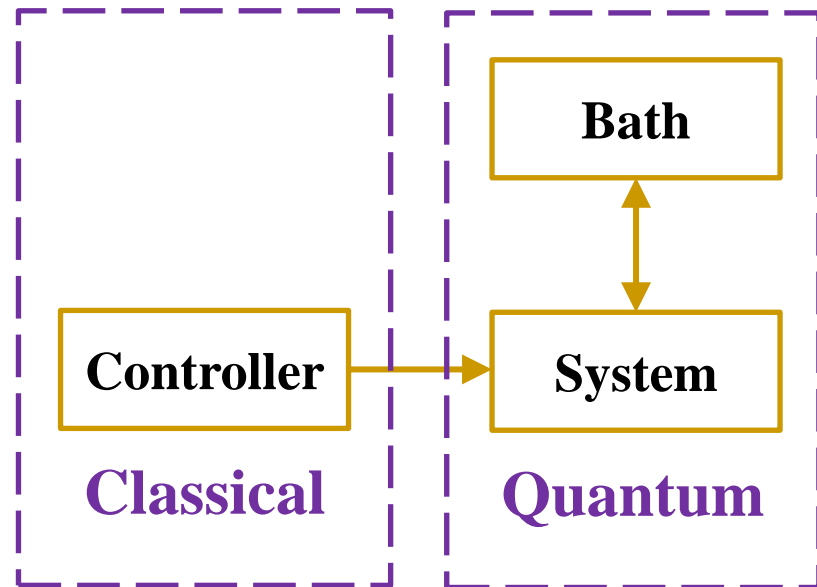
- **Model Non-Markovian Open Quantum Systems for Coherent Feedback;**
- **Investigate Mechanism of Non-Markovian Noises Rejection via Coherent Feedback.**

# Backgrounds (I)

## NM Decoherence Control

- **Dynamical Decoupling Approach**
- **Optimization Method**

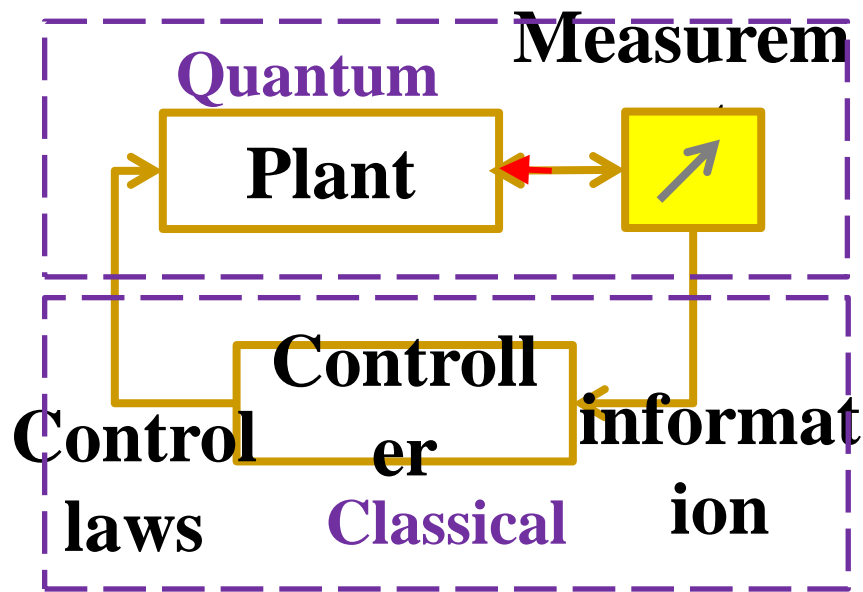
**Disadvantage:**  
**high energy cost;**  
**heavy computation**  
**burden.**



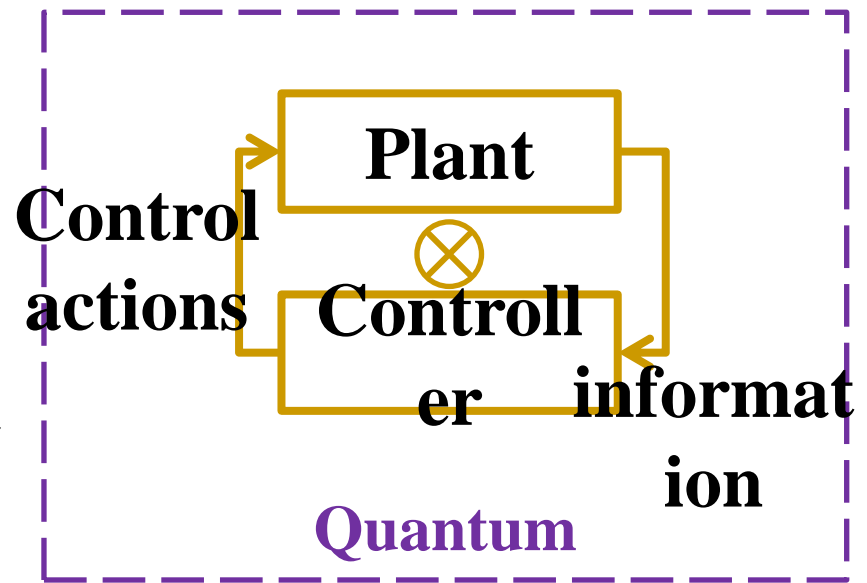
**Open Loop Control**

# Backgrounds (II)

## Quantum Feedback Control (QFC)



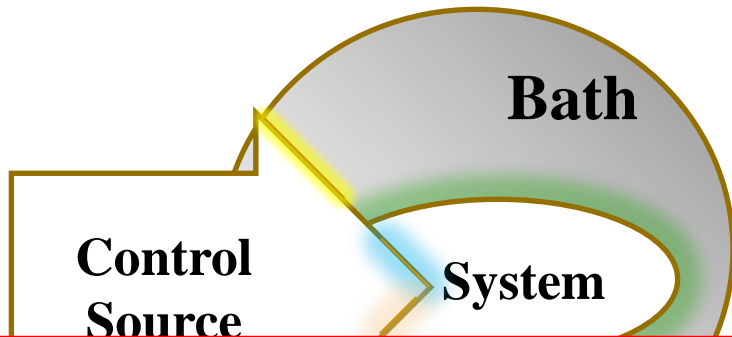
Measurement-based QFC



Coherent QFC

**Existing models are not applicable to non-Markovian open quantum systems!**

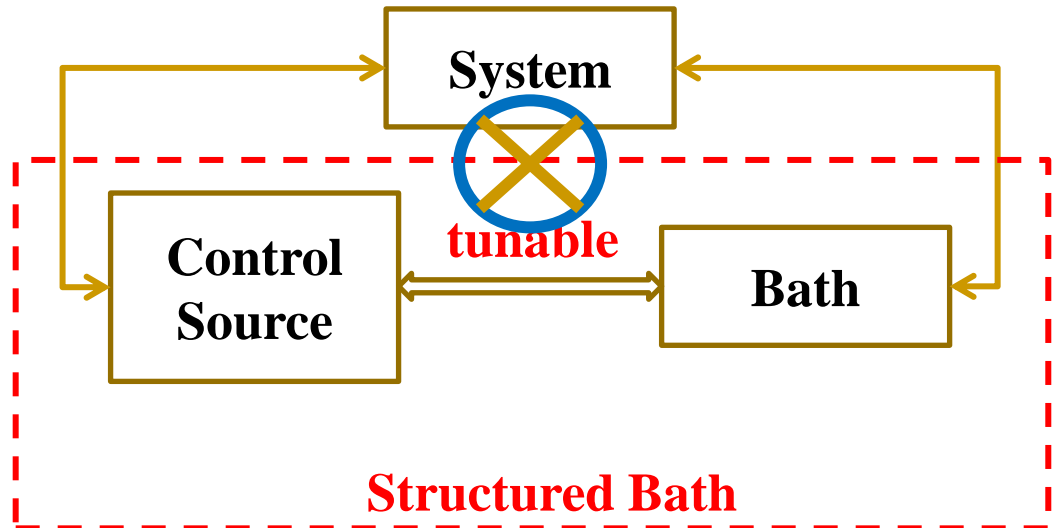
# Our Scheme



The introduced control source not only interacts with the system but also interacts with the bath.

## Direct Coherent Feedback

The noise spectrum of structured bath is promising to be modulated.



# Internal Model Principle

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## *In Summary*

Every good regulator incorporates a model  
of the outside world!



# Main Difficulties

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**Infinite** Dimensional System

**Integral**-differential Equation (Memory Effect)

**Colored** Noises

Phys. Rev. A 86, 052304 (2012).

<http://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevA.86.052304>.

# Modeling of Coherent Feedback Loop

- Total Hamiltonian and Diagram

$$H = H_S + H_B + H_C + H_{SB} + H_{SC} + H_{BC}$$

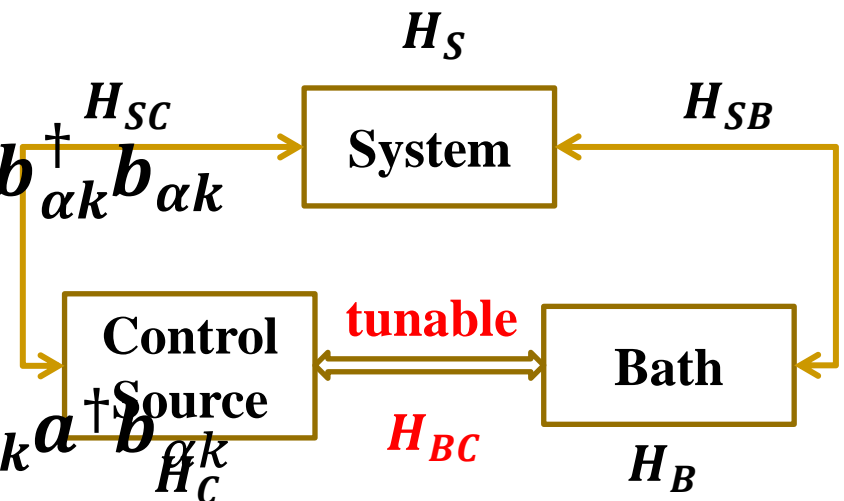
where  $H_S = \omega_a a^\dagger a$

$$H_B + H_C = \sum_{\alpha=B,C} \sum_k \omega_{\alpha k} b_{\alpha k}^\dagger b_{\alpha k}$$

$$H_{SB} + H_{SC} = \sum_{\alpha=B,C} \sum_k V_{\alpha k} a b_{\alpha k}^\dagger + V_{\alpha k}^* a^\dagger b_{\alpha k}$$

$$H_{BC} = \sum_k \sum_{k'} F_{kk'} b_{Bk} b_{Ck'}^\dagger + F_{kk'}^* b_{Bk}^\dagger b_{Ck'}$$

Resonance assumption  $F_{kk'} = f_k \cdot \delta(k, k')$ ,  $f_k = r e^{i\theta}$



# Modeling of Coherent Feedback

## Loop

- NM Quantum Langevin Equation:

$$\dot{a}(t) = -i\omega_a \underbrace{a(t)}_{\text{System Operator}} - \int_0^t d\tau \underbrace{G(t-\tau)}_{\text{Memory Kernel Function}} a(\tau) - i \underbrace{b_n(t)}_{\text{Equivalent Noise}}$$

which can be solved as

$$a(t) = u(t)a(0) + \int_0^t d\tau u(t-\tau) b_n(\tau)$$

where Green function  $u(t)$  satisfies

$$\dot{u}(t) = -i\omega_a u(t) - \int_0^t d\tau G(t-\tau)u(\tau), u(0) = 1$$

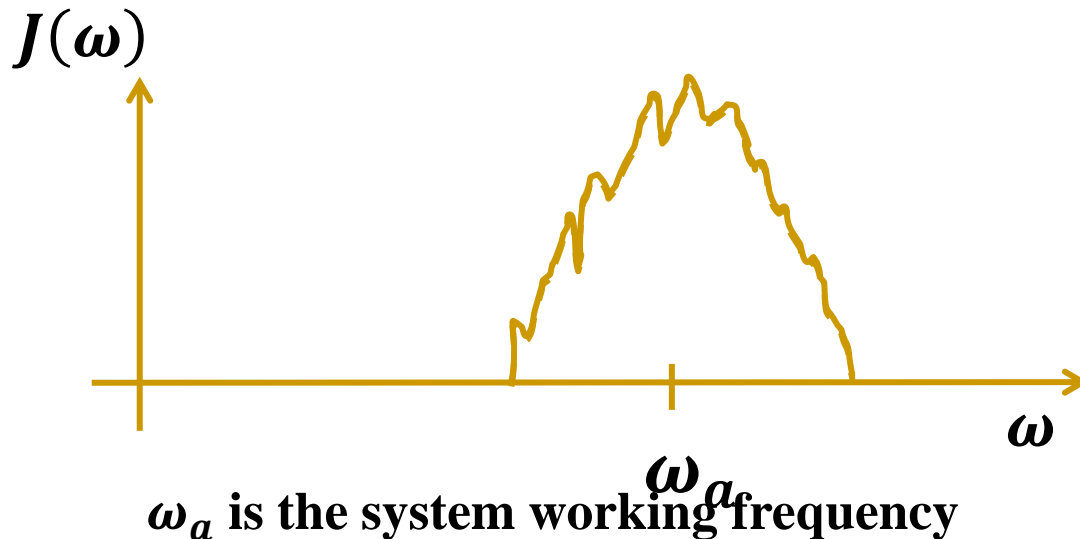
**Noise spectrum and control parameters are combined in  $G(\tau)$ .**

# NM Decoherence Suppression

- **Memory Kernel Function** **without** Feedback

$$G(\tau) = \int_{\Omega} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} J(\omega) e^{-i\omega\tau}$$

where  $J(\omega) = 2\pi\rho(\omega)(|V_B(\omega)|^2 + |V_C(\omega)|^2)$



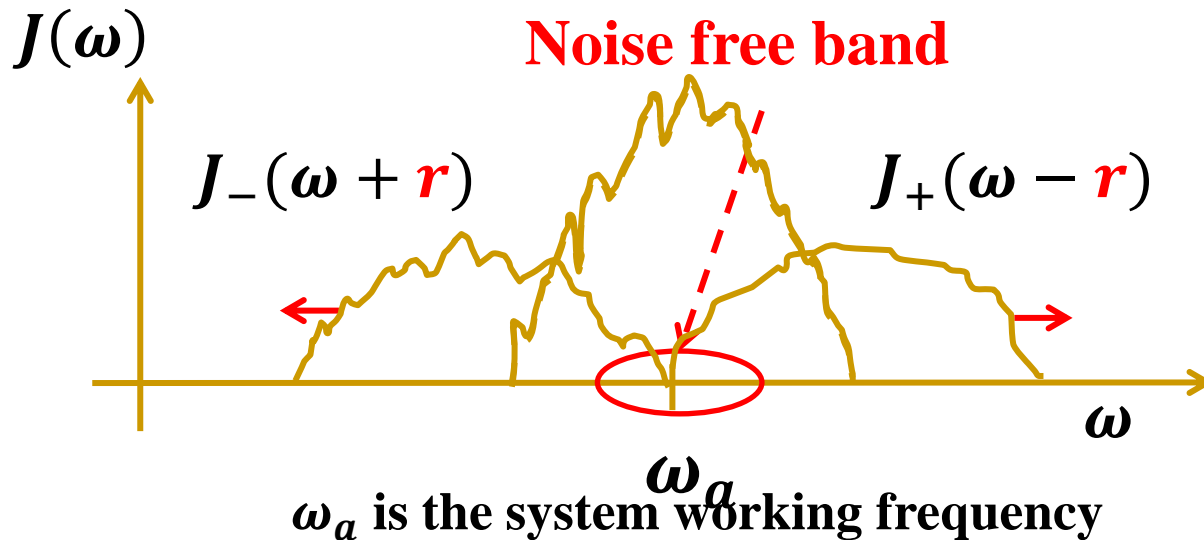
Physically, decoherence is caused by the resonance between the system's working frequency and the noise spectrum.

# NM Decoherence Suppression

- **Memory Kernel Function with Feedback**

$$G(\tau) = \int_{\omega_L+r}^{\omega_U+r} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} J_+(\omega - r) e^{-i\omega\tau} + \int_{\omega_L-r}^{\omega_U-r} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} J_-(\omega + r) e^{-i\omega\tau}$$

where  $J_{\pm}(\omega) = \pi \rho(\omega) |V_B(\omega) \pm V_C(\omega) e^{-i\theta}|^2$



The effectiveness of decoherence suppression depends on how close the working frequency is to the nearest edge of the noise free band

# Example of Photonic Crystals

Angular Frequency of  
the Cavity:  $\omega_a = 10\text{GHz}$

Central Frequency of  
the Baths  $\omega_\alpha = 10\text{GHz}, \alpha = B, C$

Coupling Strength

$$V_\alpha(\omega) = \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sqrt{4\xi_\alpha^2 - (\omega - \omega_\alpha)^2}$$

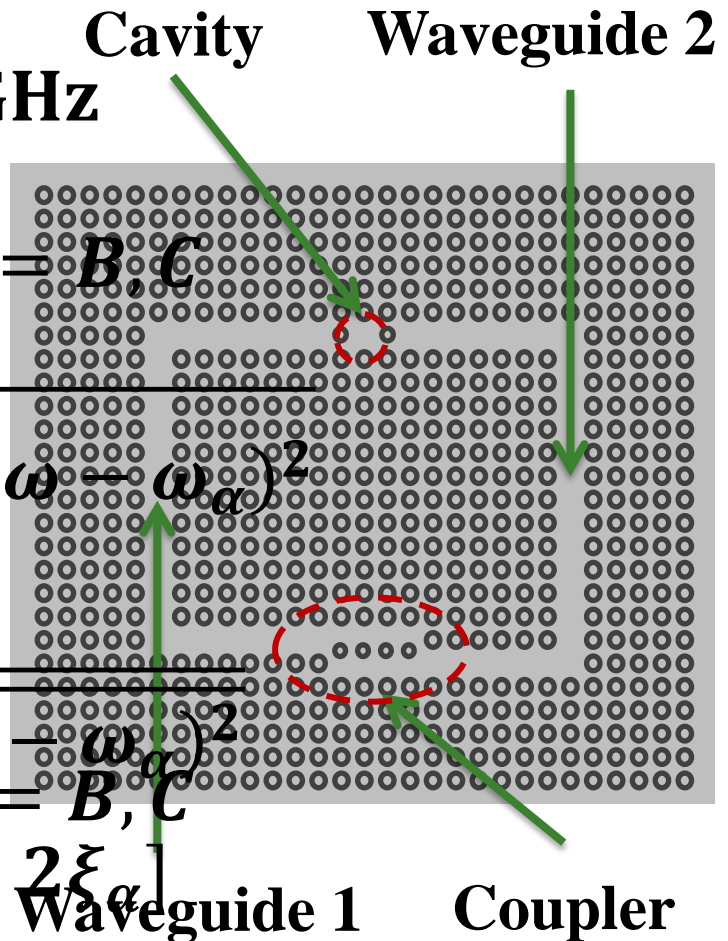
Density of the State

$$\rho_\alpha(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\xi_\alpha^2 - (\omega - \omega_\alpha)^2}}$$

$$\xi_\alpha = 0.3\text{GHz}, \alpha = B, C$$

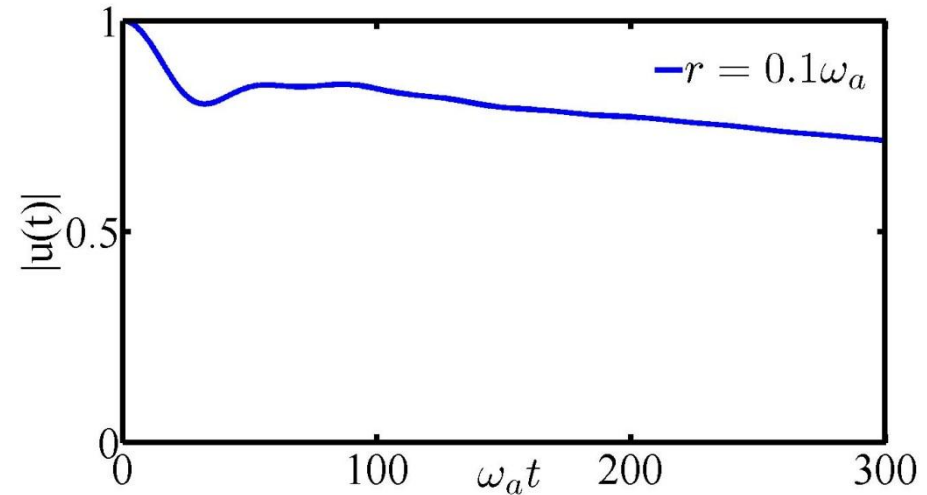
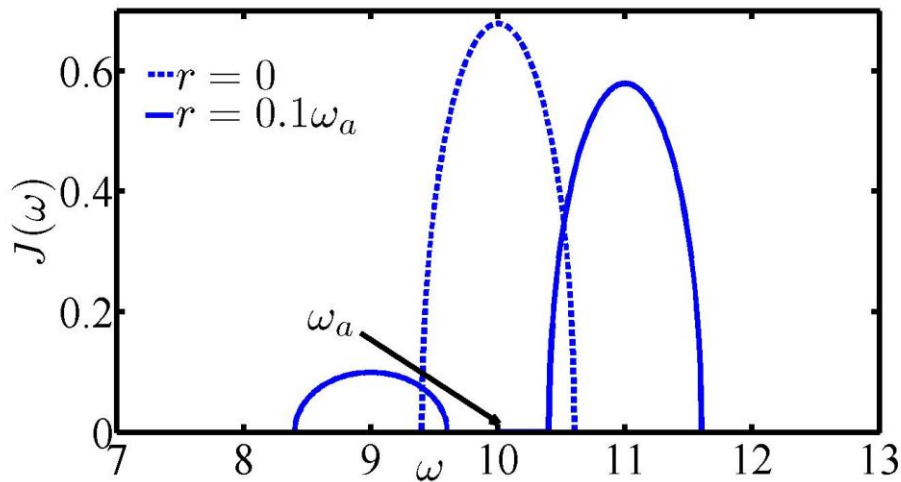
Noise Band

$$[\omega_\alpha - 2\xi_\alpha, \omega_\alpha + 2\xi_\alpha]$$



# Example of Photonic Crystals

- Results of Decoherence Suppression



The variation of the spectrum and the dynamics of  $|u(t)|$  under various feedback parameters  $r$ ,  $\eta = 0.3$ ,  $\theta = \pi/4$

# Conclusions

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## Main contributions

- 1) Quantum feedback nonlinearization (QFN): different from the traditional feedback linearization in classical control !
- 2) A new non-Markovian coherent feedback model (no one discussed before)
- 3) QFN can achieve more than the traditional physical design.

## Open up new dimensions of research

- 1) Systematic design of coherent feedback control;
- 2) Frequency domain synthesis and design methods for quantum control;
- 3) Applications to quantum optics and quantum information.
- 4) Applications to solid-state-based quantum information processing.



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