

Consider  $\rho(t) = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})$  where  $\mathbf{m} = (m_x, m_y, m_z)$  and  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z)$  for Pauli matrices

$$\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Note that  $\text{Tr}[\rho] = 1$  and  $\rho = \rho^\dagger$ , and for  $\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{m} \leq 1$  that  $\rho \succeq 0$  so  $\rho$  is a valid density matrix. Now let us consider

$$\sigma_+ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x + i\sigma_y), \quad \sigma_- = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x - i\sigma_y) \quad (2)$$

noting that  $\sigma_+ = \sigma_-^\dagger$  and  $\sigma_- = \sigma_+^\dagger$ . Let us consider time evolution of the density matrix given by the Lindblad master equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = i[\rho, H] + \sum_m \gamma_m (2J_m \rho J_m^\dagger - \{J_m^\dagger J_m, \rho\}) \quad (3)$$

where we take that Hamiltonian to be  $H = \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$  and consider the jump operators  $J_+ = \sigma_+$  and  $J_- = \sigma_-$  and  $\gamma_+ = \kappa n_B$  and  $\gamma_- = \kappa(n_B + 1)$ . We can then write

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = i[\rho, \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}] + \kappa n_B (2\sigma_+ \rho \sigma_+^\dagger - \{\sigma_+^\dagger \sigma_+, \rho\}) + \kappa(n_B + 1) (2\sigma_- \rho \sigma_-^\dagger - \{\sigma_-^\dagger \sigma_-, \rho\}) \quad (4)$$

$$= i[\rho, \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}] + \kappa n_B (2\sigma_+ \rho \sigma_- - \{\sigma_- \sigma_+, \rho\}) + \kappa(n_B + 1) (2\sigma_- \rho \sigma_+ - \{\sigma_+ \sigma_-, \rho\}) \quad (5)$$

Now let us consider the time-evolution of the magnetization. We have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \text{Tr}[\rho \sigma_i] \quad (6)$$

$$= \text{Tr}\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho\right) \sigma_i\right] + \text{Tr}\left[\rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sigma_i\right)\right] \quad (7)$$

$$= \text{Tr}\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho\right) \sigma_i\right] \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{Tr}[i[\rho, \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}] \sigma_i] \\ &\quad + \text{Tr}[\kappa n_B (2\sigma_+ \rho \sigma_- - \{\sigma_- \sigma_+, \rho\}) \sigma_i] \\ &\quad + \text{Tr}[\kappa(n_B + 1) (2\sigma_- \rho \sigma_+ - \{\sigma_+ \sigma_-, \rho\}) \sigma_i] \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where  $i = x, y, z$ . Now let us analyze each of these terms individually (where we do the matrix product and trace in Mathematica)

$$\text{Tr}[i[\rho, \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}] \sigma_x] = i \text{Tr}\left[\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \sigma_x - \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \sigma_x\right] = 2(B_y m_z - B_z m_y) \quad (10)$$

$$\text{Tr}[i[\rho, \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}] \sigma_y] = i \text{Tr}\left[\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \sigma_y - \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \sigma_y\right] = 2(B_z m_x - B_x m_z) \quad (11)$$

$$\text{Tr}[i[\rho, \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}] \sigma_z] = i \text{Tr}\left[\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \sigma_z - \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \mathbf{m} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \sigma_z\right] = 2(B_x m_y - B_y m_x) \quad (12)$$

where we now note that

$$(B_x, B_y, B_z) \times (m_x, m_y, m_z) = (B_y m_z - B_z m_y, B_z m_x - B_x m_z, B_x m_y - B_y m_x) \quad (13)$$

so we see that

$$\text{Tr}[i[\rho, \mathbf{B} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}] \sigma_i] = 2(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{m})_i \quad (14)$$

Let us move on to the next term, where as above we complete the product and trace in Mathematica

$$\text{Tr}[\kappa n_B(2\sigma_+\rho\sigma_- - \{\sigma_-\sigma_+, \rho\})\sigma_x] = -m_x\kappa n_B \quad (15)$$

$$\text{Tr}[\kappa n_B(2\sigma_+\rho\sigma_- - \{\sigma_-\sigma_+, \rho\})\sigma_y] = -m_y\kappa n_B \quad (16)$$

$$\text{Tr}[\kappa n_B(2\sigma_+\rho\sigma_- - \{\sigma_-\sigma_+, \rho\})\sigma_z] = 2(1 - m_z)\kappa n_B \quad (17)$$

and

$$\text{Tr}[\kappa(n_B + 1)(2\sigma_-\rho\sigma_+ - \{\sigma_+\sigma_-, \rho\})\sigma_x] = -m_x\kappa(n_B + 1) \quad (18)$$

$$\text{Tr}[\kappa(n_B + 1)(2\sigma_-\rho\sigma_+ - \{\sigma_+\sigma_-, \rho\})\sigma_y] = -m_y\kappa(n_B + 1) \quad (19)$$

$$\text{Tr}[\kappa(n_B + 1)(2\sigma_-\rho\sigma_+ - \{\sigma_+\sigma_-, \rho\})\sigma_z] = -2(1 + m_z)\kappa(n_B + 1) \quad (20)$$

So combining everything we find

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m_x = 2(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{m})_x - m_x\kappa(2n_B + 1) \quad (21)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m_y = 2(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{m})_y - m_y\kappa(2n_B + 1) \quad (22)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m_z = 2(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{m})_z - 2\kappa(m_z(2n_B + 1) + 1) \quad (23)$$

Now let us introduce  $T_2 = 1/(2n_B + 1)$ ,  $T_1 = 1/2\kappa(2n_B + 1) = T_2/2\kappa$ ,  $\langle m_z \rangle = -1/(2n_B + 1)$  from which we see that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m_x = 2(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{m})_x - \frac{m_x}{T_2} \quad (24)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m_y = 2(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{m})_y - \frac{m_y}{T_2} \quad (25)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} m_z = 2(\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{m})_z - \frac{m_z - \langle m_z \rangle}{T_1} \quad (26)$$

which are the Bloch equations. In the last line we used that

$$-2\kappa(m_z(2n_B + 1) + 1) = -\frac{1}{T_1} \frac{2\kappa(m_z(2n_B + 1) + 1)}{2\kappa(2n_B + 1)} = -\frac{1}{T_1} \left( m_z + \frac{1}{2n_B + 1} \right) = -\frac{m_z - \langle m_z \rangle}{T_1} \quad (27)$$