



# Universal constraint on **relaxation times** in **Open Quantum Systems**

-- Physics of **complete positivity** and **beyond...**

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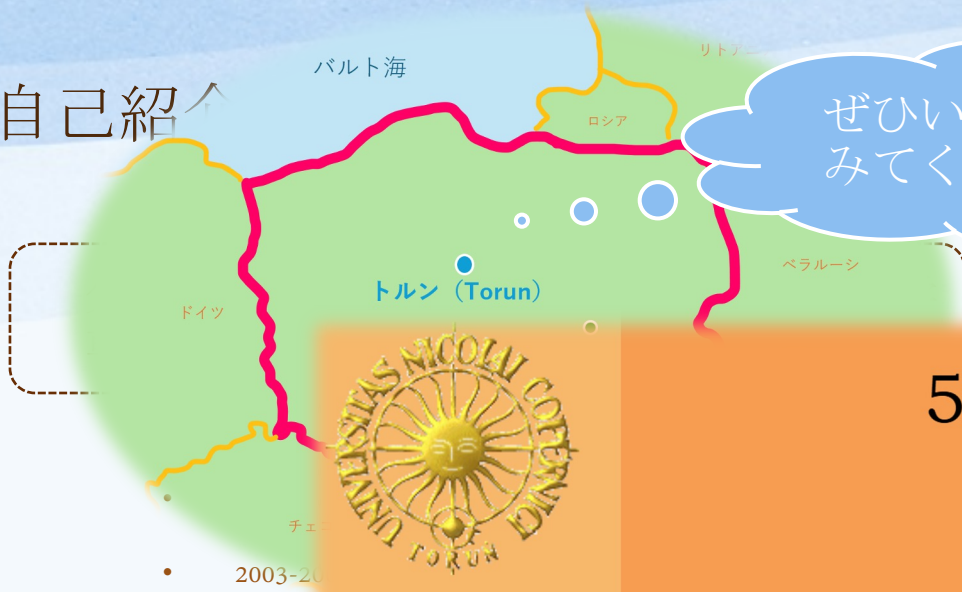
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# Outline

## 1) Brief introduction to Quantum Dynamical Semigroup

- CPTP map as a time evolution map
- Why need CP condition ??
- Quantum (CP) Dynamical Semigroup and GKLS master equation

Gorini, Kossakowski, Sudaresan (1976)

Lindblad (1976)

## 2) Goal: To find a test to check the validity of CP condition !!

## 3) Universal constraints of relaxation rates for CP dynamical semigroup $c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$

## 4) Universal constraints of relaxation rates for n-positive dynamical semigroup

## 5) Conclusions and Discussion

# Review of Open Quantum Mechanics necessary for this talk

\* Quantum State: a density operator  $\rho$  on Hilbert space\*:

$$\text{tr } \rho = 1, \rho \geq 0$$

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System  
of Interest

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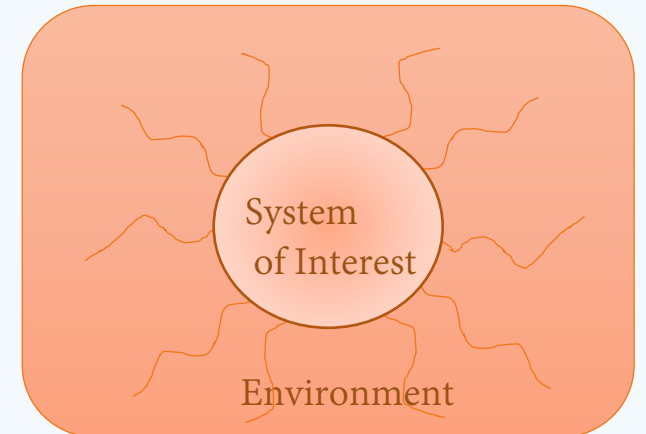
Is CP condition really necessary??

Isolated System  $\Leftrightarrow$  Unitary Evolution

$$\rho \mapsto \Phi(\rho) = U \rho U^\dagger$$

based on von Neumann-Schrödinger equation:  $\frac{d}{dt} \rho = -\frac{i}{\hbar} [H, \rho]$

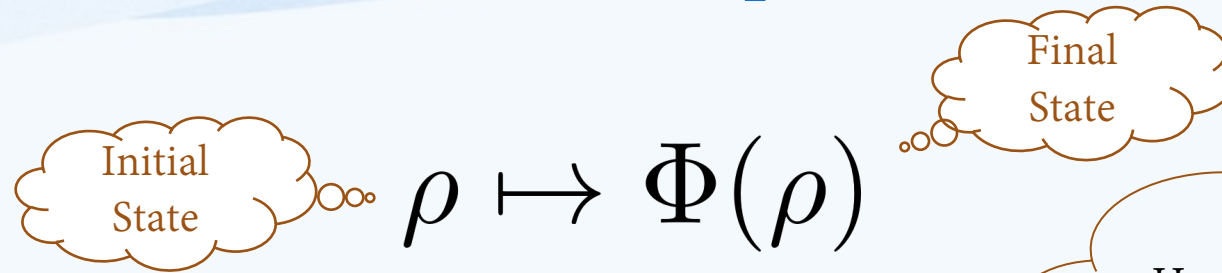
Open System  $\Leftrightarrow$  Completely Positive Map  $\rho \mapsto \Phi(\rho) = \sum_i V_i \rho V_i^\dagger$



\* Composite System is described by a Tensor Product Hilbert Space

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{tot}} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{sys}} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\text{env}}$$

# CPTP map as a Time evolution map



Operationally,  $\Phi$  should

(i) preserve Probabilistic Mixture

$$\Phi(p\rho + (1-p)\sigma) = p\Phi(\rho) + (1-p)\Phi(\sigma)$$



(i)  $\Phi$  is linear map

(ii) map a density operator to a density operator

$$\text{tr}\rho = 1, \rho \geq 0 \Rightarrow \text{tr}\Phi(\rho) = 1, \Phi(\rho) \geq 0$$



(ii)-1  $\Phi$  is trace preserving (TP) map

$$\text{tr}\rho = \text{tr}\Phi(\rho)$$

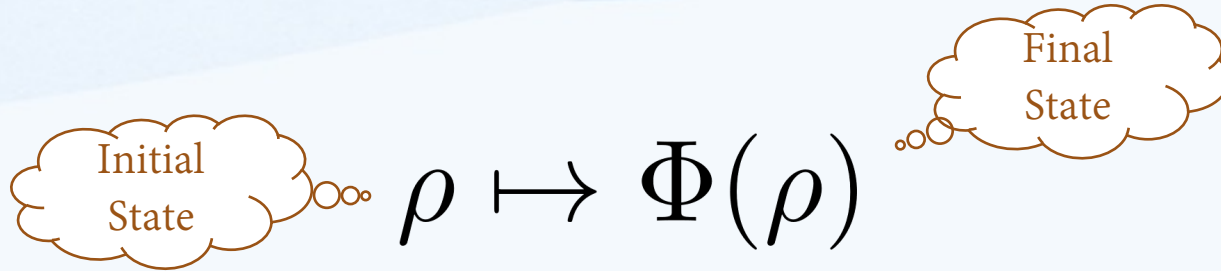
(ii)-2  $\Phi$  is positive (preserving) map

$$\rho \geq 0 \Rightarrow \Phi(\rho) \geq 0$$

Hence, Time evolution map is a Positive TP map

## Stronger Condition of Complete Positivity condition

# CPTP map as a Time evolution map



[Def]  $\Phi$  is  $n$ -positive ( $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ) if

$$\Phi \otimes \text{Id}_n \text{ is positive on } \mathcal{H} \otimes \mathbb{C}^n$$

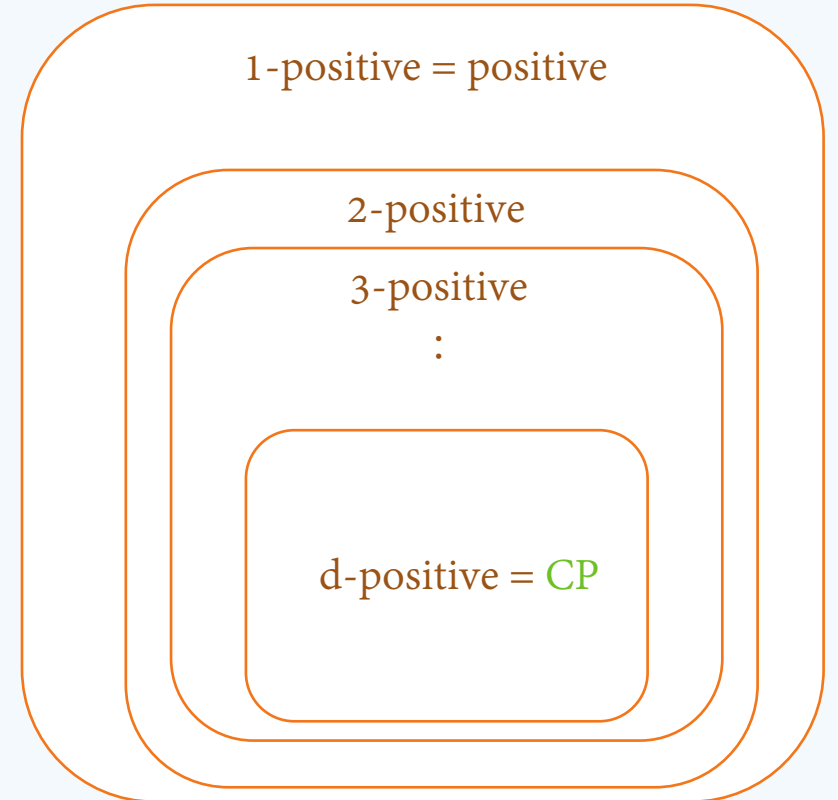
system  
 $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^d$   $\otimes$   $\mathbb{C}^n$

[Def]  $\Phi$  is **completely positive** if  $\Phi$  is  $n$ -positive **for all  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$**

[Remarks] (i) 1-positive  $\Leftrightarrow$  positive

(ii)  $d$ -positive  $\Leftrightarrow$  CP

(iii) for all  $k = 1, \dots, d-1$ , there are  $k$ -positive but not  $(k+1)$ -positive



[Thm] (Choi-Kraus Representation)  $\Phi$  is completely positive iff 
$$\Phi(X) = \sum_k V_k X V_k^\dagger$$

# Why we need complete positivity condition?

GKS (1976)

sociated to  $S$  and to  $R$ , respectively. Assume that  $S+R$  has been initially prepared in a product state  $\rho \otimes \sigma$ ,  $\rho \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{H}_S)$ ,  $\sigma \in \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{H}_R)$ , in which  $S$  and  $R$  are uncorrelated. The Heisenberg reduced dynamics of  $S$ ,  $\Phi: t \rightarrow \Phi_t: \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_S) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}_S)$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , is defined by

$$[\Phi_t(A)], \quad (1.3)$$

). It is easy to see proof can be found

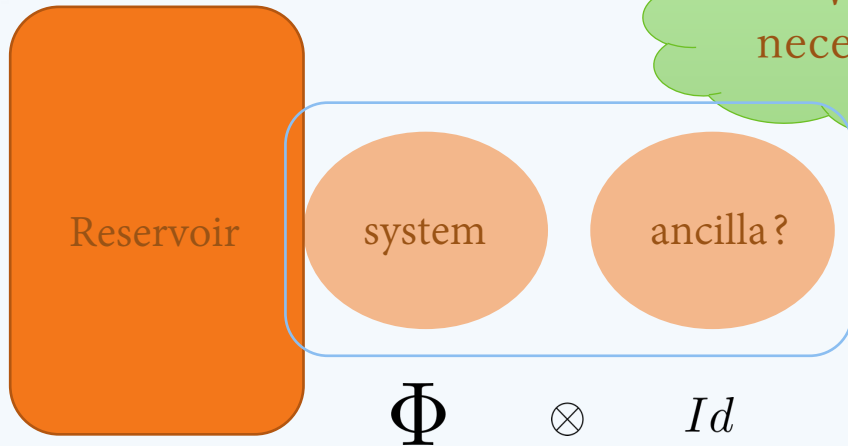
Initial Correlations?

$$\Phi(\rho_S) = \text{Tr}_R U \rho_S \otimes \rho_R U^\dagger$$



Should always be satisfied?

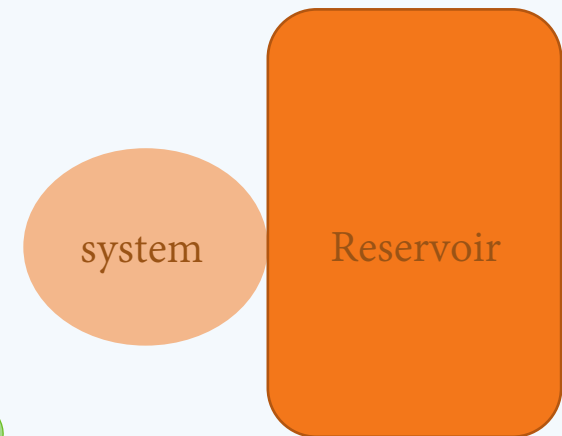
Why necessary?



drop the time parameter. We further assume that  $S_2$  is a closed system, i.e. its dynamics is given by a Hamiltonian  $H_2$ . We put  $H_2=0$  for the moment. Then we ask: can the map  $\Phi_1$  be extended to a positive map  $\Phi: \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$  where  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_1 \otimes \mathcal{H}_2$ , such that  $S_2$  is unaffected? This is obviously so when the dynamics of  $S_1$  is Hamiltonian. Then the dynamics of  $S_1+S_2$  is given by the Hamiltonian  $H=H_1 \otimes I_2$ .  $\Phi$  is defined by

$$\Phi(X \otimes Y) = \Phi_1(X) \otimes Y \quad (2.1)$$

Lindblad (1976)



But according to discipline of natural science,  
we must rely on **experiments** in order to determine something is right or wrong !!

Experiments

What is the  
**physics of CP**  
condition ??

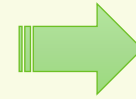


Bell Theorem

Reality

Locality

“Free will”



Bell's Inequality

$$\langle AC \rangle + \langle AD \rangle + \langle BC \rangle - \langle BD \rangle \leq 2$$

Goal

Experimentally  
testable condition.

Quantum  
Dynamical  
Semigroup  
Markovianity



$$c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$$

Direct physical  
manifestation of  
CP condition ??

Redundant!



Quantum Process Tomography  $\Rightarrow$  Check CP condition



Redundant!



Quantum State Tomography  $\Rightarrow$  Check Entanglement Criterion



“Complete Positivity Witness”

Entanglement Witness

# Quantum dynamical semigroup ... General Markovian CP quantum dynamics

- 1) Completely Positive Trace Preserving Map  $\rho \mapsto \rho_t = \Lambda_t \rho$
- 2) One parameter (time) Dynamical Semigroup  $\Lambda_{t+s} = \Lambda_t \Lambda_s$  ( $\forall$ )

We should call GKLS (or GKSL) master equation!



Markov property

Hille-Yoshida (1948)

Master equation



$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = \mathcal{L}\rho \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \Lambda_t = \exp(t\mathcal{L})$$

[Thm] (GKLS 1976) Generator of quantum dynamical semigroup is always written

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{H} + \mathcal{D}$$

\* Hamiltonian Part

$$\mathcal{H}(\rho) = -i[H, \rho] \quad \text{where} \quad H = H^\dagger$$

(effective) Hamiltonian

\* Dissipative Part:

$$\mathcal{D}(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (2L_k \rho L_k^\dagger - L_k^\dagger L_k \rho - \rho L_k^\dagger L_k)$$

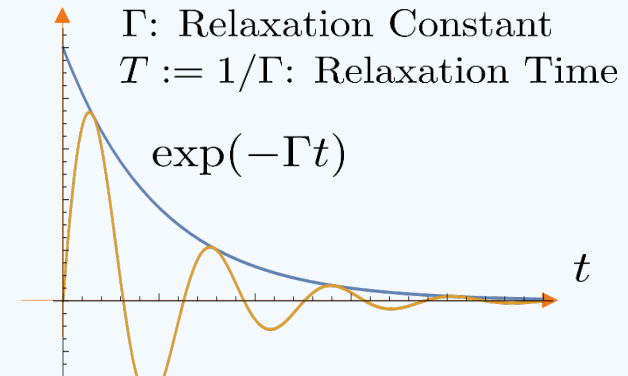
$L_k$ : Jump/Noise Operator

# Physics of Markovian Master equation

We focus on Relaxation Times !

Time Evolution of  
any physical quantities

= "super position" of



Solution is determined by eigenvalues of Generator:

Trace Preserving  
Property

There are  $d^2-1$  numbers of decaying time scale!

$$\lambda_0 = 0 \quad \& \quad \lambda_\alpha = -\Gamma_\alpha + i\omega_\alpha \quad (\alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

Experimentally Accessible quantities !

$\text{Re}\lambda_\alpha$

Relaxation Rates/Constants

Positive !

$$T_\alpha := 1/\Gamma_\alpha$$

Relaxation Times

GENERAL

# Constraints from CP condition

For 2 level (qubit) system

$$\text{[Example]} \quad \mathcal{L}\rho = \sum_{k=1}^3 \gamma_k (\sigma_k \rho \sigma_k - \rho)$$

$$\Gamma_1 = \gamma_2 + \gamma_3, \quad \Gamma_2 = \gamma_3 + \gamma_1, \quad \Gamma_3 = \gamma_1 + \gamma_2,$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbb{I} + \mathbf{b}(t) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}) \quad \text{where} \quad \mathbf{b}(t) = (e^{-\Gamma_1 t} b_1, e^{-\Gamma_2 t} b_2, e^{-\Gamma_3 t} b_3) \quad (i = 1, 2, 3)$$

$$\Lambda_t = \exp(\mathcal{L}t) \quad \text{Positive Trace Preserving} \Leftrightarrow \Gamma_k \geq 0 \quad (k = 1, 2, 3)$$

Trivial constraints ..

There are no constraints for Relaxation Times without CP condition !

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$$\Leftrightarrow \Gamma_1 \leq \Gamma_2 + \Gamma_3, \quad \Gamma_2 \leq \Gamma_3 + \Gamma_1, \quad \Gamma_3 \leq \Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2,$$

Non-trivial constraints !!

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For 2 level (qubit) system

[Theorem] (GKS 1976) (Kimura 2002) For Arbitrary 2-level GKLS,

If  $\mathcal{H} = 0$ ,  $\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2 \geq \Gamma_3$ ,  $\Gamma_2 + \Gamma_3 \geq \Gamma_1$ ,  $\Gamma_3 + \Gamma_1 \geq \Gamma_2$

Pauli Master Equation

In terms of the  $\gamma_i$ 's, (3.4) (a) can be written

$$\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 \geq \gamma_3, \quad \gamma_2 + \gamma_3 \geq \gamma_1, \quad \gamma_3 + \gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2, \quad (3.5)$$

showing that no two relaxation times can be much longer than the third.

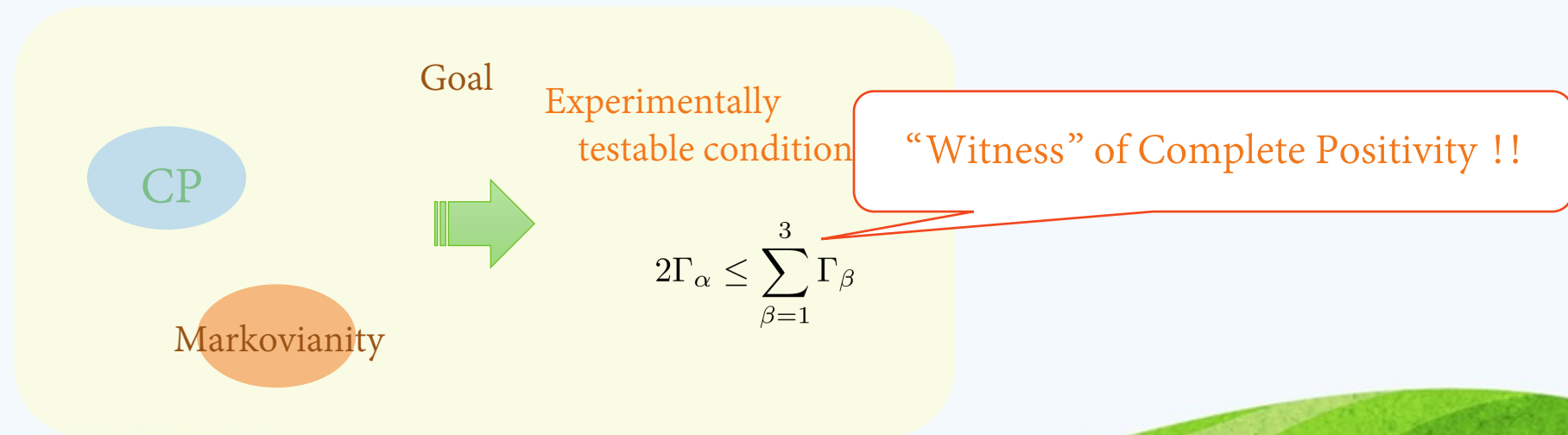
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Experimentally Famous Relations\*

[Case 1] Eigenvalues:  $-\Gamma_L, -\Gamma_T \pm i\omega$   $\Rightarrow \Gamma_1 = \Gamma_L, \Gamma_2 = \Gamma_T, \Gamma_3 = \Gamma_T$

$T_L = 1/\Gamma_L$  Longitudinal Relaxation Time

$T_T = 1/\Gamma_T$  Transverse Relaxation Time

$$\Rightarrow 2T_L \geq T_T$$

[Case 2] Eigenvalues:  $-\Gamma_1, -\Gamma_2, -\Gamma_3$   $\leftarrow$  Let us know such experiments!

\* Flakowski et al. (2016)



How about general d-level system ??

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# Constraints from CP condition

For general  $d$  level (**qudit**) system

*“Quantum Dynamical Semigroups and Applications”*

by Alicki and Lendi (1987)

*“Constraints on relaxation rates for  $d$ -level quantum systems”*

etc.

by S. Schirmer, A. Solomon (2004)

Not real relaxation rates but **just parameters** in GKLS generator!

Not universal results, dependent on each model!

[Theorem] (Wolf and Cirac 2008): For  **$d$ -level GKLS without Hamiltonian Part**

$$\frac{2}{d}\Gamma_{\alpha} \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_{\beta} \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

# GOAL: Find general constraints on Relaxation Times

universally valid for any **d-level (adit)** GKLS master equation !

CP requires that  
No single relaxation rate  
cannot be too large!!

d=2 [Thm\*]  $2\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^3 \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, 2, 3)$

To find best constant c(d)

[Thm\*]  $\frac{d}{\sqrt{2}}\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$

$c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$

d ≥ 3 [Thm\*]  $d\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$

[Thm\*]  $\frac{2d}{1 + \sqrt{2(1 - \frac{1}{d})}}\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$

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[Conjecture] (CKKS 2020) For any  $d$ -level GKLS,


$$d\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

- \* Numerically supported
- \* If this is true,  $c(d)=d$  is the best bound !!
- \* Satisfied in important classes of quantum dynamical semigroup

# A Tight Model

$$\mathcal{L}(\rho) = 2L\rho L - L^2\rho - \rho L^2 \quad (L^\dagger = L)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(|k\rangle\langle l|) = -(E_k - E_l)^2 |k\rangle\langle l| \quad (E_i: \text{Eigenvalues of } L)$$

$$\sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \geq d\Gamma_\alpha \iff 2 \sum_{k<l} (E_k - E_l)^2 \geq d(E_i - E_j)^2$$


The best constant would be **d**

Moreover, the equality is **attained** iff

$$E_2 = \dots = E_{d-1} = \frac{E_1 + E_d}{2}$$

To find best constant  $c(d)$

$$c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$$

$$\implies c(d) \leq d$$

Proof  
based on

[Lemma] For any  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in [a, b]$ ,

$$2 \sum_{i=1}^n ((x_i - a)^2 + (x_i - b)^2) + \sum_{i,j=1}^n (x_i - x_j)^2 \geq n(a - b)^2,$$

where the equality holds iff  $x_1 = \dots = x_n = \frac{a+b}{2}$ .

# Class of Covariant Generator

$$U_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(X) U_{\mathbf{x}}^\dagger = \mathcal{L}(U_{\mathbf{x}} X U_{\mathbf{x}}^\dagger)$$

where  $U_{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{k=1}^d e^{-ix_k} |k\rangle\langle k|$  and  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

[Theorem] For any covariant GKLS generator,

$$d\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

Including

\* Pauli Master equation

\* Weakly interacting model with non-degenerate invariant state (Davies 1974)

Class of entropy non-decreasing

$$\frac{d}{dt} S(\rho_t) \geq 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  Class of unital semigroup  $\Lambda_t(\mathbb{I}) = \mathbb{I}$

Benatti (1988), Aniello, Chruscinski (2016)

[Theorem] For any unital generator,

$$d\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

[Proof] Omit. But through proving this,  
we have found a nice characterization of relaxation rate.

# Characterization of Relaxation Rate

\* Invariant state  $\mathcal{L}(\omega) = 0$  ← Fixed Point Theorem

\* Eigen equation  $\mathcal{L}(u_\alpha) = \lambda_\alpha u_\alpha$

[Prop.] For any GKLS generator

$$\Gamma_\alpha = \frac{1}{2\|u_\alpha\|_\omega^2} \sum_k \|[L_k, u_\alpha]\|_\omega^2$$

where  $\|X\|_\omega^2 := \text{tr}(\omega X^\dagger X)$

[Proof] GKLS rep. reads:  $\mathcal{L}^\dagger(X^\dagger X) - \mathcal{L}^\dagger(X^\dagger)X - X^\dagger \mathcal{L}^\dagger(X) = \sum_k [L_k, X]^\dagger [L_k, X]$  ( $\text{Tr}(X\mathcal{L}(Y)) = \text{Tr}(\mathcal{L}^\dagger(X)Y)$ )

Taking  $X = u_\alpha$   $\mathcal{L}^\dagger(u_\alpha^\dagger u_\alpha) + 2\Gamma_\alpha u_\alpha^\dagger u_\alpha = \sum_k [L_k, u_\alpha]^\dagger [L_k, u_\alpha]$

which implies  $\text{tr}(\omega \mathcal{L}^\dagger(u_\alpha^\dagger u_\alpha)) + 2\Gamma_\alpha \text{tr}(\omega u_\alpha^\dagger u_\alpha) = \sum_k \text{tr}(\omega [L_k, u_\alpha]^\dagger [L_k, u_\alpha])$ ,

Since  $\mathcal{L}(\omega) = 0$ , first term vanishes.

# Approach based on $r$ -function

[Definition] ( $r$ -function) For complex matrices  $A, B \in M_d(\mathbb{C})$ , we define

$$r(A, B) := \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr}(A^\dagger AB^\dagger B + AA^\dagger B^\dagger B - A^\dagger BAB^\dagger - BA^\dagger B^\dagger A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} r(A, B) &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr}(\{A, A^\dagger\}B^\dagger B) - \Re \operatorname{tr}(A^\dagger BAB^\dagger), \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\langle [B, A] | BA \rangle + \langle [B, A^\dagger] | BA^\dagger \rangle), \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\|[A, B]\|^2 + \operatorname{tr} A^\dagger A [B^\dagger, B]) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\|[A^\dagger, B^\dagger]\|^2 + \operatorname{tr} A^\dagger A [B^\dagger, B]), \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\|[A, B^\dagger]\|^2 + \operatorname{tr} AA^\dagger [B^\dagger, B]) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\|[A^\dagger, B]\|^2 + \operatorname{tr} AA^\dagger [B^\dagger, B]), \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (\|[A, B]\|^2 + \|[A^\dagger, B]\|^2 + \operatorname{tr}(\{A, A^\dagger\}[B^\dagger, B])). \end{aligned}$$

Commutator

Anti-commutator

$$[A, B] := AB - BA \quad \{A, B\} := AB + BA$$

Hilbert-Schmidt Inner Prod.

Frobenius (Hilbert-Schmidt) Norm

$$\langle A, B \rangle := \operatorname{tr} A^\dagger B \quad \|A\| := \sqrt{\operatorname{tr} A^\dagger A}$$

For normal  $B$ ,  $r(A, B) = \frac{1}{2} \|[A, B]\|^2$

For Cartesian decomposition  $A = A_R + iA_I$ ,  $r(A, B) = r(A_R, B) + ir(A_I, B)$

# Approach based on $r$ -function

$$\text{[Prop.]} \quad \Gamma_\alpha = \frac{1}{\|u_\alpha\|^2} \sum_k r(u_\alpha, L_k)$$

$$\mathcal{L}u_\alpha = \lambda_\alpha u_\alpha \quad (u_\alpha \neq 0)$$

$$\text{[Proof]} \quad \Gamma_\alpha := -\text{Re}\lambda_\alpha \quad \& \quad \|u_\alpha\|^2 = \text{tr}u_\alpha^\dagger u_\alpha$$

$$\text{tr} \left( u_\alpha^\dagger \times \lambda_\alpha u_\alpha = \mathcal{L}(u_\alpha) = -i[H, u_\alpha] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (2L_k u_\alpha L_k^\dagger - L_k^\dagger L_k u_\alpha - u_\alpha L_k^\dagger L_k) \right)$$

- Re

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$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\alpha = d \sum_k \|L_k\|^2$$

\* Complex Eigenvalues appear as conjugate pair

Hermitian Preserving  
Property

$$\Gamma_\alpha := -\operatorname{Re}\lambda_\alpha$$

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\alpha = -\sum_{\alpha=0}^{d^2-1} \lambda_\alpha = -\operatorname{tr}\mathcal{L}$$

\* Trace of generator

$$\operatorname{tr}\mathcal{L} = \sum_k (|\operatorname{tr}L_k|^2 - d\|L_k\|^2)$$

Frobenius Norm:

$$\|A\| := \sqrt{\operatorname{tr}A^\dagger A}$$

Without loss of generality  
 $\operatorname{tr}L_k = 0$

$$\operatorname{tr}\mathcal{L} = -d \sum_k \|L_k\|^2$$

Wolf and Cirac (2008)

Kimura Ajisaka Watanabe (2017)

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$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\alpha = d \sum_k \|L_k\|^2$$

$$r(A, B) \leq c(d) \|A\|^2 \|B\|^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_\alpha &\leq \frac{1}{\|u_\alpha\|^2} \sum_k c(d) \|u_\alpha\|^2 \|L_k\|^2 \\ &= c(d) \sum_k \|L_k\|^2 = \frac{c(d)}{d} \sum_\alpha \Gamma_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

Universal Constraint !!

$$\frac{d}{c(d)} \Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_\beta \Gamma_\beta$$

[Prop] For any matrices A, B,

$r(A, B)$

$$(\Delta A)^2(\Delta B)^2 \geq \frac{1}{4} |\langle [A, B] \rangle|^2 + \text{Cov}(A, B)^2 + \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \langle |[A, B]|^2 \rangle$$

Proof.

$$r(A, B) = \frac{1}{2} (\langle [B, A] | BA \rangle + \langle [B, A^\dagger] | BA^\dagger \rangle)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} (\| [B, A] \| \| B \| \| A \| + \| [B, A^\dagger] \| \| B \| \| A^\dagger \|)$$

$$\leq \sqrt{2} \| A \|^2 \| B \|^2$$

$$\| [A, B] \|^2 \leq 2 \| A \|^2 \| B \|^2$$

(using triangle, Schwarz, and norm inequalities.)

(Böttcher-Wenzel Inequality)



Series of new uncertainty relations

- arXiv:2504.20404
- arXiv:2505.19861
- arXiv:2406.12280
- arXiv:2403.04199

$$r(A, B) \leq c(d) \| A \|^2 \| B \|^2$$

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Universal Constraint !!

$$\frac{d}{c(d)} \Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_\beta \Gamma_\beta$$

[Theorem] (KAW) For any d-level GKLS,

$$\frac{d}{\sqrt{2}} \Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$$

# Approach based on $r$ -function

[Prop.] For any complex matrices  $A, B \in M_d(\mathbb{C})$ ,

$$r(A, B) \leq \frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{2} \|A\|^2 \|B\|^2,$$

where the equality can be achieved by a self-adjoint  $A$ .

[Proof] Omit. But we have first show this where  $A$  is normal first, and then used relation  $r(A, B) = r(A_R, B) + i r(A_I, B)$

$$r(A, B) \leq c(d) \|A\|^2 \|B\|^2$$

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Universal Constraint !!

$$\frac{d}{c(d)} \Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_\beta \Gamma_\beta$$

[Theorem] (CFKO<sup>1</sup>) For any  $d$ -level GKLS,

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}d}{1 + \sqrt{2}} \Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

# Approach based on $r$ -function

Trace Preserving  
Property

\*\* Eigenvector belonging to non-zero eigenvalue is **traceless**  $\lambda_\alpha \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{tr } u_\alpha = 0$

[Prop.] For any complex matrices  $A, B \in M_d(\mathbb{C})$  with  $\text{tr} A = 0$ ,

$$r(A, B) \leq \frac{1 + \sqrt{2(1 - \frac{1}{d})}}{2} \|A\|^2 \|B\|^2$$

where the equality can be achieved by a self-adjoint  $A$ .

$$r(A, B) \leq c(d) \|A\|^2 \|B\|^2$$

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Universal Constraint !!

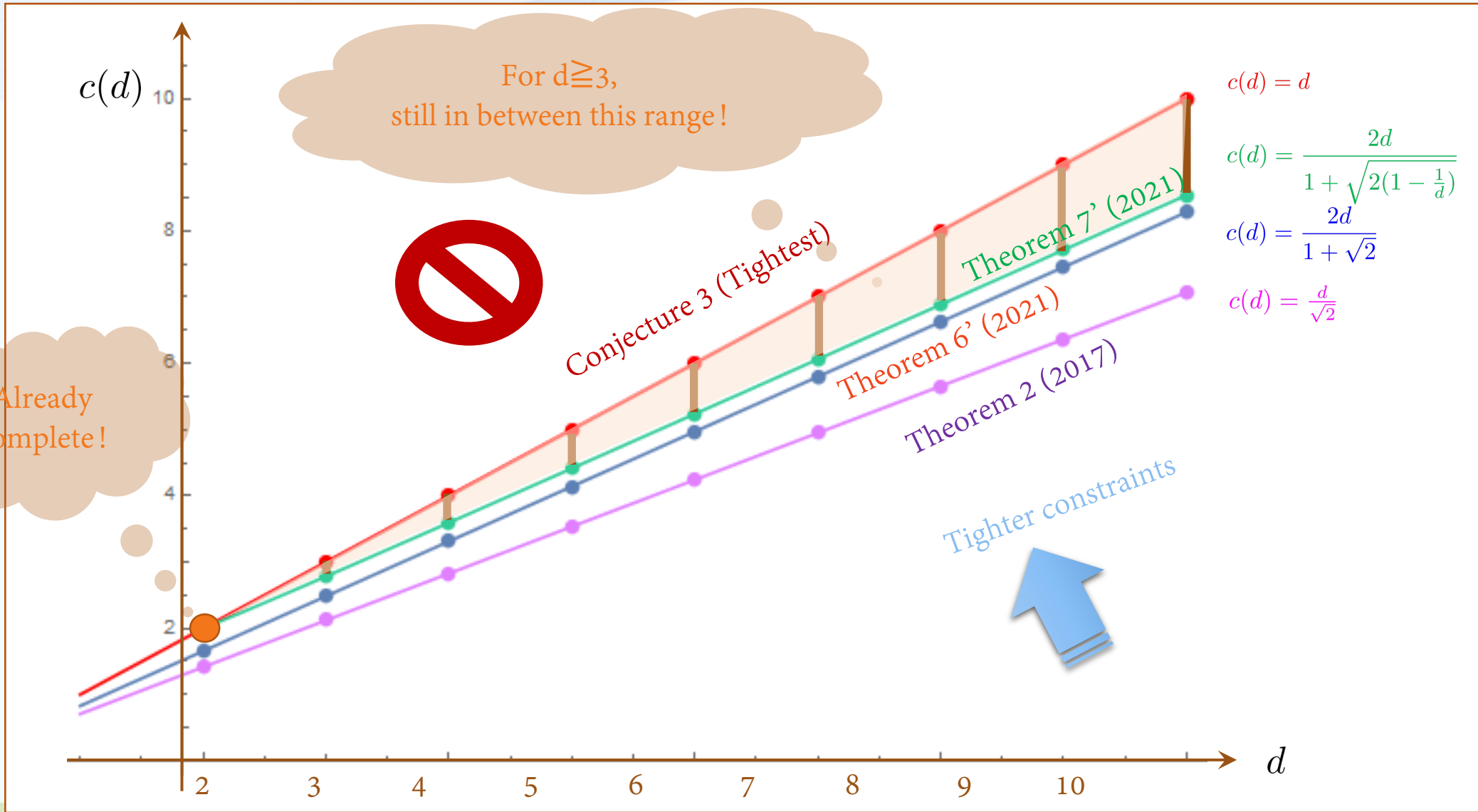
$$\frac{d}{c(d)} \Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_\beta \Gamma_\beta$$

[Theorem] (CFKO<sup>2</sup>) For any **d-level** GKLS,

$$\frac{2d}{1 + \sqrt{2(1 - \frac{1}{d})}} \Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

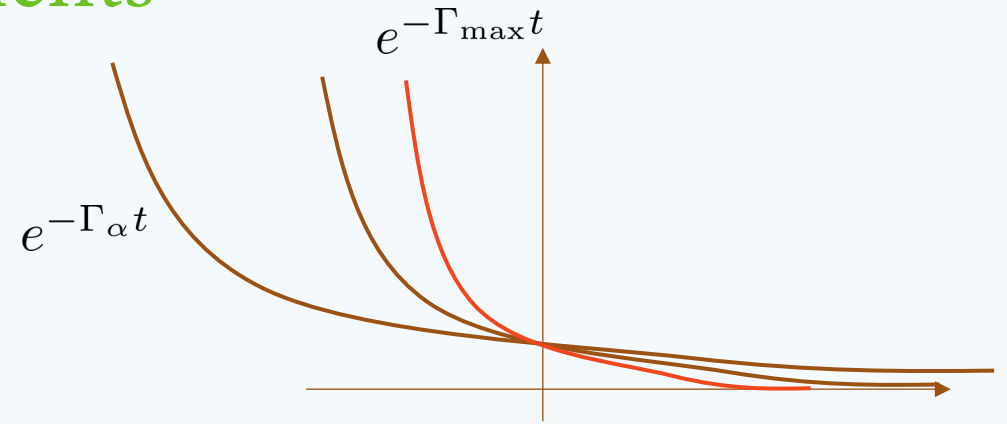
# Universal Constraints for GKLS generator

$$c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$$



# Approach based on Lyapunov exponents

$$\rho(t) = \sum_{i=1}^d p_i(t) |\psi_i(t)\rangle \langle \psi_i(t)|$$



For sufficiently past time  $t \simeq -\infty$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} p_i(t) = e^{-\Gamma_{\max} t} q_i(t) + \dots$$

Lyapunov exponents

$$\chi := \lim_{t \downarrow -\infty} \sup_t \left( -\frac{1}{t} \ln \|\mathbf{p}(t)\| \right) = \Gamma_{\max}$$

# Approach based on Lyapunov exponents

Teich and Mahler (1992)  $\frac{dp_i}{dt} = \sum_j W_{ij}(t)p_j(t)$

where  $W_{ij}(t) = R_{ij}(t) - \delta_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^d R_{kj}(t)$  and  $R_{ij}(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{d^2-1} \gamma_n |\langle \psi_i(t) L_n \psi_j(t) \rangle|^2$ .

$$\mathcal{D}(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \gamma_k (2L_k \rho L_k^\dagger - L_k^\dagger L_k \rho - \rho L_k^\dagger L_k)$$

e.g., Adrianova (1995)  $\Gamma_{\max} = \chi \leq \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \|W(t)\| \leq c(d) \sum_{\beta} \Gamma_{\beta}$

$\|W(t)\| \leq c(d) \sum_{\beta} \Gamma_{\beta}$

# Different Norms gives Different Bounds!

$$\|A\|_1 := \max_j \sum_i |a_{ij}| \quad (\text{Column-sum Norm}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \|W(t)\|_1 \leq \frac{2}{d} \sum_{\beta} \Gamma_{\beta} \quad (\text{Wolf Cirac 2008})$$

$$\|A\|_2 := \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} |a_{ij}|^2} \quad (\text{Frobenius Norm})$$

$$\|A\|_{\infty} := \max_i \sum_j |a_{ij}| \quad (\text{Row-sum Norm}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \|W(t)\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{1}{d} \sum_{\beta} \Gamma_{\beta} \quad (\text{Tight Bound!!})$$

[Theorem] (GKC) For any **d-level** GKLS, the tight constraint is given by

$$d\Gamma_{\alpha} \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_{\beta} \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

But according to discipline of natural science,  
we must rely on **experiments** in order to determine something is right or wrong !!

Experiments

What is the  
**physics of CP**  
condition ??

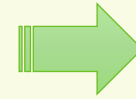


Bell Theorem

Reality

Locality

“Free will”



Bell's Inequality

$$\langle AC \rangle + \langle AD \rangle + \langle BC \rangle - \langle BD \rangle \leq 2$$

Goal

CP

Markovianity



Experimentally  
testable condition.

$$d\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$$

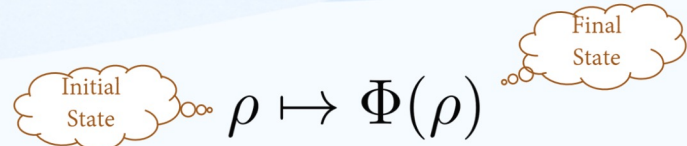
# What Happens Beyond CP?

Ancilla Witness?

Surprisingly...  
the same constraints  
for all  $n \geq 2$

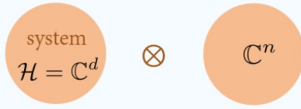
Constraints on Relaxation Times  
for Markovian  $n$ -Positive Quantum Dynamics

## CPTP map as a Time evolution map



[Def]  $\Phi$  is  $n$ -positive ( $n=1,2,3,\dots$ ) if

$\Phi \otimes \text{Id}_n$  is positive on  $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathbb{C}^n$

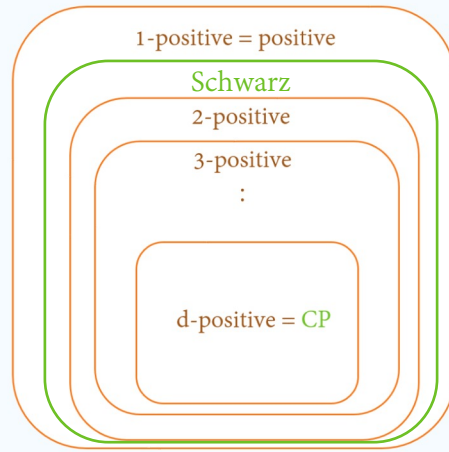


[Def]  $\Phi$  is **completely positive** if  $\Phi$  is  $n$ -positive for all  $n=1,2,3,\dots$

[Remarks] (i) 1-positive  $\Leftrightarrow$  positive

(ii)  $d$ -positive  $\Leftrightarrow$  CP

(iii) for all  $k=1,\dots,d-1$ , there are  $k$ -positive but not  $(k+1)$ -positive



$$c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$$

k-positive	c(d)
1 = positive	1
3/2 = Schwarz	(d+1)/2
2	d
3	d
:	:
d-1	d
d = CP	d

[Def] Unital linear map  $\Psi$  is called Schwarz map iff  $\Psi(X^\dagger X) \geq \Psi(X)^\dagger \Psi(X) \quad \forall X \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$

[Def] A dynamical semigroup  $\{\Phi_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  is called of Schwarz class iff  $\Phi_t^\dagger$  is a Schwarz map.

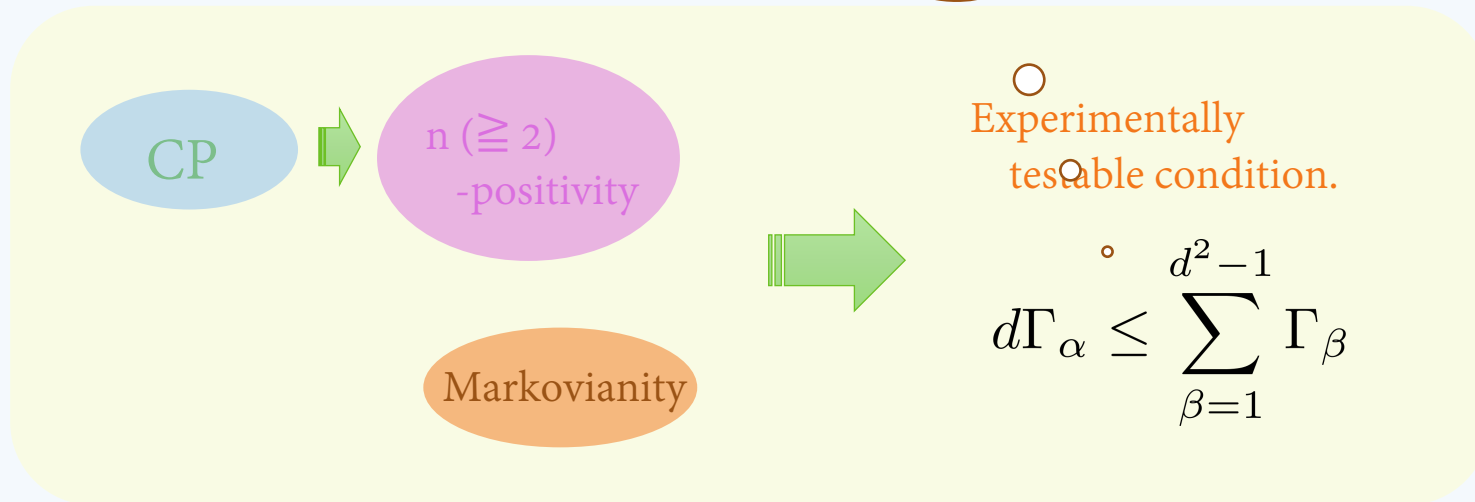
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Ancilla  
Witness?



If these constraints were violated experimentally,

one could conclude that the observation cannot be explained not only by a **CP dynamical semigroup** (i.e., a GKLS dynamics)

but also by any **n-positive dynamical semigroup** with  $n \geq 2$ .

# Sketch of Proof.

$\mathcal{L}$  : a generator of  $n$  ( $\geq 2$ )-positive dynamical semigroup

W.L.G. by continuity argument

Step 1:  $\langle \mathcal{L}^\#(A), B \rangle_\omega := \langle A, \mathcal{L}^\dagger(B) \rangle_\omega$   $\omega$  : a faithful invariant state  $\mathcal{L}(\omega) = 0$

Kubo-Martin-Schwinger inner product  $\langle A, B \rangle_\omega := \langle A, \omega^{\frac{1}{2}} B \omega^{\frac{1}{2}} \rangle$

[Prop]  $\tilde{\mathcal{L}} := \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{L}^\dagger + \mathcal{L}^\#)$  is a self-adjoint generator of  $n$ -positive dynamical semigroup

[Corollary] It is enough to show  $d\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$  for a self-adjoint generator

In particular, one can assume eigenvalues of  $L$  are real.

[Bendixson--Hirsch inequality]

For any matrix  $A$  with (complex) eigenvalues  $\{a_1, \dots, a_d\}$

$$m \leq \operatorname{Re} a_k \leq M$$

where  $m$  and  $M$  are minimal and maximal eigenvalues of the Hermitian matrix

$$\frac{1}{2}(A + A^\dagger)$$

Step 2: For any ONB  $\{|e_1\rangle, \dots, |e_d\rangle\}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^d$ ,  $\mathcal{K}_{ij} := \text{Tr}(|e_i\rangle\langle e_i| \mathcal{L}(|e_j\rangle\langle e_j|))$

[Prop ♣]  $\mathcal{K}$  is a classical generator, hence real parts of eigenvalues are non-positive.

[Prop ♠] A real eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $\mathcal{L}$  is an eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{K}$  with some ONB.

∴ (i) One finds Hermitian eigenmatrix  $X = \sum_i x_i |x_i\rangle\langle x_i|$  for real eigenvalue  $\lambda$

$$(ii) (\mathcal{K}\mathbf{x})_i = \sum_{j=1}^d \mathcal{K}_{ij} x_j = \sum_{j=1}^d \langle x_i | \mathcal{L}(x_j |x_j\rangle\langle x_j|) |x_i\rangle = \langle x_i | \mathcal{L}(X) |x_i\rangle = \lambda \langle x_i | X |x_i\rangle = \lambda x_i.$$

[Prop ♥]  $\text{Tr } \mathcal{L} \leq d \text{Tr } \mathcal{K}$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_\alpha = -\lambda_\alpha \stackrel{\clubsuit \& \spadesuit}{\leq} -\text{Tr } \mathcal{K} \stackrel{\heartsuit}{\leq} -\frac{1}{d} \text{Tr } \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_\beta \Gamma_\beta$$

# Proof of $\text{Tr } \mathcal{L} \leq d \text{Tr } \mathcal{K}$

[Thm] (Evans, Hanche-Olsen 1979)

$\mathcal{L}$  is a generator of  $n$ -positive dynamical semigroup iff it is  $n$ -conditional positive:

For any  $|\psi\rangle \perp |\phi\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $\langle \psi | \mathcal{L} \otimes \text{Id}(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) | \psi \rangle \geq 0$

For mutually orthogonal vectors

$$|\phi_{ij}^{\pm}\rangle = |e_i\rangle \otimes |1\rangle \pm |e_j\rangle \otimes |2\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d \otimes \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$\sum_{i \neq j} \langle \phi_{ij}^- | [\mathcal{L} \otimes \text{Id}] (|\phi_{ij}^+\rangle\langle\phi_{ij}^+|) | \phi_{ij}^- \rangle = 2(d \text{Tr} \mathcal{K} - \text{Tr} \mathcal{L}) \geq 0$$

# Conclusions and Discussion

Thank you for your kind attention !!

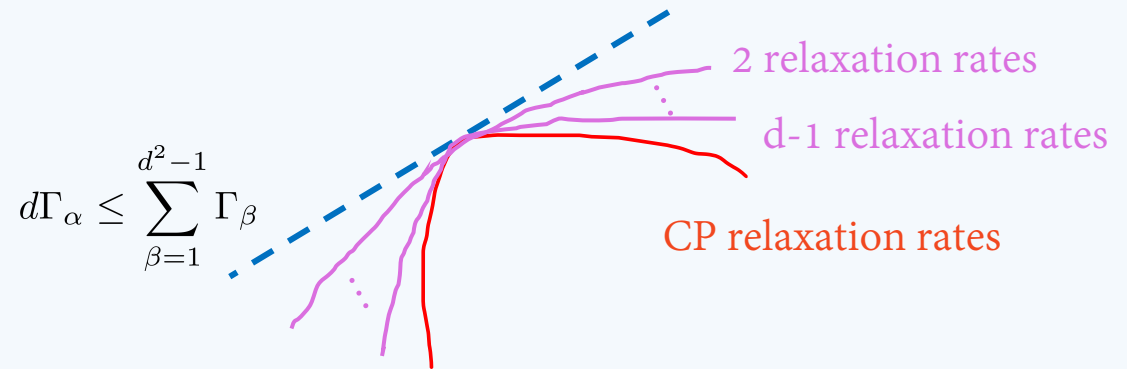
(I) Completed our long-standing problem on the universal constraint on relaxation rates for CP dynamical semigroup !

(II) The constraint is satisfied not only by CP but also  $n \geq 2$  positive dynamical semigroup, while Schwarz class gives weaker constraint.



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## Future Problems !!

- \* Find (non-linear) constraints on relaxation rates that can distinguish the difference between  $n$  and CP cases !!
- \* Specify the region of Relaxation rates

# Another Application 1: Quantum Channel Spectrum

[Thm] Eigenvalues  $z_\alpha$  ( $\alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1$ ) of any TPCP map satisfies

$$\sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \operatorname{Re} z_\beta \leq d^2 - 1 + c(d)(\operatorname{Re} z_\alpha - 1)$$

except for  $z_0 = 1$

[Proof] If  $\Lambda$  is TPCP, then  $\mathcal{L}(\rho) = \Lambda(\rho) - \rho$  is GKLS generator.

Applying  $c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta$ , we get the inequality.

\* For  $d=2$ , we have  $c(2)=2$ , and this recovers **Fujiwara-Algoet condition** (1999)

## Another Application 2: Quantum Channel Spectrum

[Fact] Any unitary map is realizable by Schrödinger equation:

$$\mathcal{U}\rho = U\rho U^\dagger \Rightarrow \exists t \text{ \& } \mathcal{L}\rho = -i[H, \rho] \text{ s.t. } \mathcal{U} = e^{t\mathcal{L}}$$

[Question] Any CPTP map is realizable by GKLS equation??

**NO !** Wolf and Cirac (2008)

## Another Application 2: Quantum Channel Spectrum

[Prop.] A necessary condition for a CPTP map  $\Lambda$  be realizable by GKLS eq. is

$$\det \Lambda \leq |u_\alpha|^{c(d)}$$

where  $u_\alpha$  is eigenvalue of  $\Lambda$

[Proof] Observe that  $\sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \geq c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \Leftrightarrow \exp(-\sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta) \leq \exp(-c(d)\Gamma_\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \prod_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \exp(-\Gamma_\beta) \leq \exp(-c(d)\Gamma_\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \prod_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \exp(x_\beta) \leq (\exp(-\Gamma_\alpha))^{c(d)} \Leftrightarrow \prod_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} u_\beta \leq |u_\alpha|^{c(d)} \Leftrightarrow \det \Lambda \leq |u_\alpha|^{c(d)}$

## Another Application 2: Quantum Channel Spectrum

For  $d = 2$ , any CPTP map  $\Lambda$  is unitary equivalent to

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ v_1 & \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ v_2 & 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ v_3 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for} \quad 1 \geq \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq |\lambda_3| \quad \& \quad \underline{\underline{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \leq 1 + \lambda_3}}$$

Also sufficient for unital CP map

Fujiwara, Algoet (1999), King, Ruskai (2001)

[Prop.] If a CPTP map  $\Lambda$  is realized by GKLS eq., then

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 \leq |\lambda_3|^2$$

This **generalizes** Puchała-Rudnicki-Zyczkowski bound (2019)

# Takeaway Message

1) Complete Positivity forces that any single relaxation rate cannot be too large !!

Thank you for your kind attention !!



Experimentally testable condition.

$$c(d)\Gamma_\alpha \leq \sum_{\beta=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\beta \quad (\forall \alpha = 1, \dots, d^2 - 1)$$

This may serve as Completely Positive (at least QDS) witness !

Best bound is conjectured to be  $c(d)=d$ , but still open.

# Some Observations

$$\mathcal{L}(u_\alpha) = \lambda_\alpha u_\alpha \quad (u_\alpha \neq 0)$$

(1) There is (at least) one **zero eigenvalue**:  $\lambda_0 = 0$

Trace Preserving  
Property

(2) Complex Eigenvalues appear as **conjugate pair**

Hermitian Preserving  
Property

$$\Gamma_\alpha := -\operatorname{Re}\lambda_\alpha$$

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_\alpha = - \sum_{\alpha=0}^{d^2-1} \lambda_\alpha = -\operatorname{tr}\mathcal{L}$$

(3) Eigenvector belonging to non-zero eigenvalue is **traceless**

$$\lambda_\alpha \neq 0 \Rightarrow \operatorname{tr} u_\alpha = 0$$

Trace Preserving  
Property

# Some Observations

(4) Trace of generator

$$\mathrm{tr} \mathcal{L} = \sum_k (|\mathrm{tr} L_k|^2 - d \|L_k\|^2)$$

Frobenius Norm:

$$\|A\| := \sqrt{\mathrm{tr} A^\dagger A}$$

Without loss of generality

$$\mathrm{tr} L_k = 0$$

$$\mathrm{tr} \mathcal{L} = -d \sum_k \|L_k\|^2$$

Wolf and Cirac (2008)

Kimura Ajisaka Watanabe (2017)

Tensor rep. by  $|E_{ij}\rangle\rangle\langle\langle E_{kl}| \mapsto E_{ik} \otimes E_{jl}$  where  $E_{ij} = |i\rangle\langle j|$

$$\mathcal{L}_A X := AX \mapsto \hat{\mathcal{L}}_A = A \otimes \mathbb{I} \quad \mathcal{R}_A X := XA \mapsto \hat{\mathcal{R}}_A = \mathbb{I} \otimes A^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\rho) &= -i[H, \rho] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (2L_k \rho L_k^\dagger - L_k^\dagger L_k \rho - \rho L_k^\dagger L_k) \\ &\mapsto \hat{\mathcal{L}} = -i(I \otimes H - H^T \otimes I) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (2\bar{L}_k \otimes L_k - \mathbb{I} \otimes L_k^\dagger L_k - L_k^T \bar{L}_k \otimes \mathbb{I}) \end{aligned}$$

# Some Observations

Combining

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_{\alpha} = - \sum_{\alpha=0}^{d^2-1} \lambda_{\alpha} = -\text{tr}\mathcal{L}$$

+

$$\text{tr}\mathcal{L} = -d \sum_k \|L_k\|^2$$

[Prop]

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{d^2-1} \Gamma_{\alpha} = d \sum_k \|L_k\|^2$$