

E738: Dynamics In Two Sites System, With Time driven perturbation

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The problem:

A system Can be in a two states with no jumping probability between them
The energy that correspond to this states is different from one another
the Hamiltonian is:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} E_1 & \gamma e^{i\omega_0 t} \\ \gamma e^{-i\omega_0 t} & E_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

At $t=0$ the system is in ground state , find:

1. the probability to be in ground state, and in the second state, in the first order perturbation theory.
2. The probability to be in the ground state and in the second state explicitly.

The solution:

1. We can Write the Hamiltonian like this :

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} E_1 & 0 \\ 0 & E_2 \end{pmatrix} + \gamma e^{-i\omega_0 t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \gamma e^{i\omega_0 t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

assuming that $\omega > 0$ and $\omega_0 > 0$ and since we are looking for the probability to jump from one to two we take into consideration only the $\gamma e^{-i\omega_0 t}$, We will write W like this

$$W = \gamma \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

now we can use the formula :

$$C_n(t) = -iW_{nm}FT[f(t)]$$

the probability to make a transition is:

$$p(t) = p_t(2|1) = |C_n(t)|^2$$

And the probability to stay

$$P(t) = P_t(1|1) = 1 - p_t(2|1)$$

So we get

$$|C_n(t)|^2 = \gamma^2 FT[e^{-i\omega_0 t}]^2 = |\gamma|^2 \left| \frac{1 - e^{i(\omega - \omega_0)t}}{\omega - \omega_0} \right|^2 = \gamma^2 t^2 \text{sinc}^2 \left(\frac{\omega - \omega_0}{2} t \right)$$

Where $\omega = E_2 - E_1$.

2. For simplicity we will define:

$$\begin{aligned}\omega &= E_2 - E_1 \\ \Omega &= \omega - \omega_0\end{aligned}$$

then the coefficient Equation are:

1. $\frac{\partial C_1}{\partial t} = -i\gamma C_2 e^{-i\Omega t}$
2. $\frac{\partial C_2}{\partial t} = -i\gamma C_1 e^{i\Omega t}$

Solving for C_1 we get:

$$C_1 = -\frac{i}{\gamma} \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial t} e^{-i\Omega t}$$

differentiating this equation and plugin it into equation number one. we get :

$$\frac{i}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\partial^2 C_2}{\partial t^2} e^{-i\Omega t} - i\Omega \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial t} e^{-i\Omega t} \right) = -i\gamma C_2 e^{-i\Omega t}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 C_2}{\partial t^2} - i\Omega \frac{\partial C_2}{\partial t} + \gamma^2 C_2 = 0$$

This is a second order linear differential equation (SOLDE):

$$X^2 - i\Omega X + \gamma^2 = 0$$

$$X_{12} = \frac{i\Omega \pm \sqrt{-\Omega^2 - (4\gamma)^2}}{2} = i \frac{\Omega \pm \sqrt{\Omega^2 + (4\gamma)^2}}{2}$$

Hence the solution is :

$$C_2 = Ae^{x_1 t} + Be^{x_2 t}$$

Using the intial condtions :

$$\begin{aligned}C_1(0) &= 1 \\ C_2(0) &= 0 \\ A + B &= 0 \Rightarrow A = -B\end{aligned}$$

We get :

$$C_2 = A(e^{x_1 t} - e^{x_2 t}) = Ae^{\frac{i\Omega t}{2}} \left(e^{i \frac{\sqrt{\Omega^2 + (2\gamma)^2}}{2} t} - e^{-i \frac{\sqrt{\Omega^2 + (2\gamma)^2}}{2} t} \right) = 2iAe^{\frac{i\Omega t}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{\Omega^2 + (2\gamma)^2}}{2} t\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial C_2}{\partial t} = A(X_1 e^{x_1 t} - X_2 e^{x_2 t})$$

$$C_1 = \frac{iA}{\gamma}(X_1 e^{x_1 t - i\Omega t} - X_2 e^{x_2 t - i\Omega t})$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_1(0) &= 1 \\ \frac{-A}{\gamma}(x_1 + x_2) &= 1 \\ A &= \frac{-i\gamma}{\sqrt{\Omega^2 + 4\gamma^2}} \end{aligned}$$

thus the probability to make a transition:

$$p(t) = |\langle 2 | \psi(t) \rangle|^2 = |C_2(t)|^2 = 4|A|^2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Omega^2 + (2\gamma)^2}}{2} t \right)$$

$$p(t) = \frac{4\gamma^2}{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + 4(\gamma)^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + 4\gamma^2}}{2} t \right) = \gamma^2 t^2 \text{sinc}^2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{(\omega - \omega_0)^2 + 4\gamma^2}}{2} t \right)$$

We can see that when γ is small we get the same solution as in the first order perturbation.