

Non-Abelian Quantum Transport and Thermosqueezing Effects

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Overview

- Classical Onsager theory of transport
- Non-Abelian transport
- Collision models
- Linear response theory
- Application: Thermosqueezing



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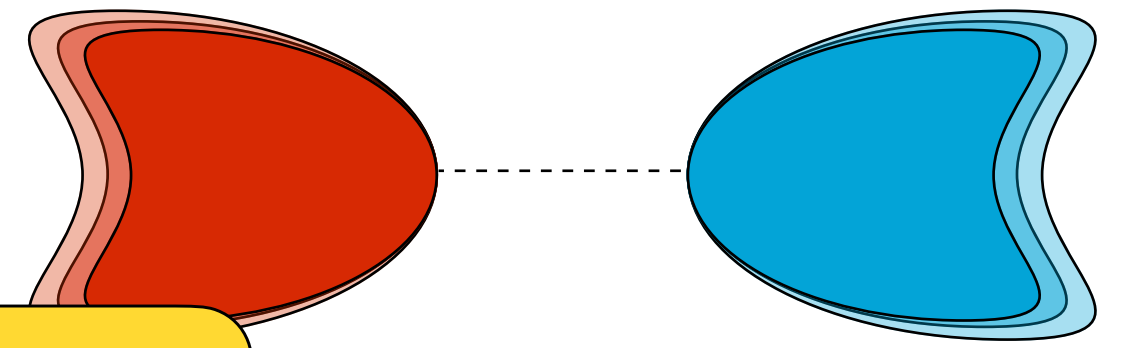
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Onsager theory



Entropy production rate

$$\dot{\Sigma} = \sum_k \delta\lambda_k J_k = \sum_{k\ell} L_{k\ell} \delta\lambda_k \delta\lambda_\ell \quad (\text{fluxes} \times \text{forces})$$

Onsager's main results:

- L is symmetric: Peltier & Seebeck are equal.
- L is positive semi-definite: $\dot{\Sigma} \geq 0$

- Fluxes: $J_k = d\langle Q_k \rangle / dt$. Generated by gradients of aff

$$\delta_\beta = \beta_L - \beta_R \quad \text{and} \quad -\delta_{\beta\mu} = \beta_R \mu_L - \beta_L \mu_R$$

- **Linear response:** if the gradient

$$\begin{pmatrix} J_E \\ J_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} L_{EE} & L_{EN} \\ L_{NE} & L_{NN} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_\beta \\ -\delta_{\beta\mu} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thermoelectric plates in our laptops.

L_{NN} : Fick's law of diffusion

Particles flow due to gradient of concentration.

L_{EE} : Fourier's law

Heat flows due to gradient of temperature.

L_{NE} : Seebeck effect

Gradient of temperature generates a flow of particles/electrons.

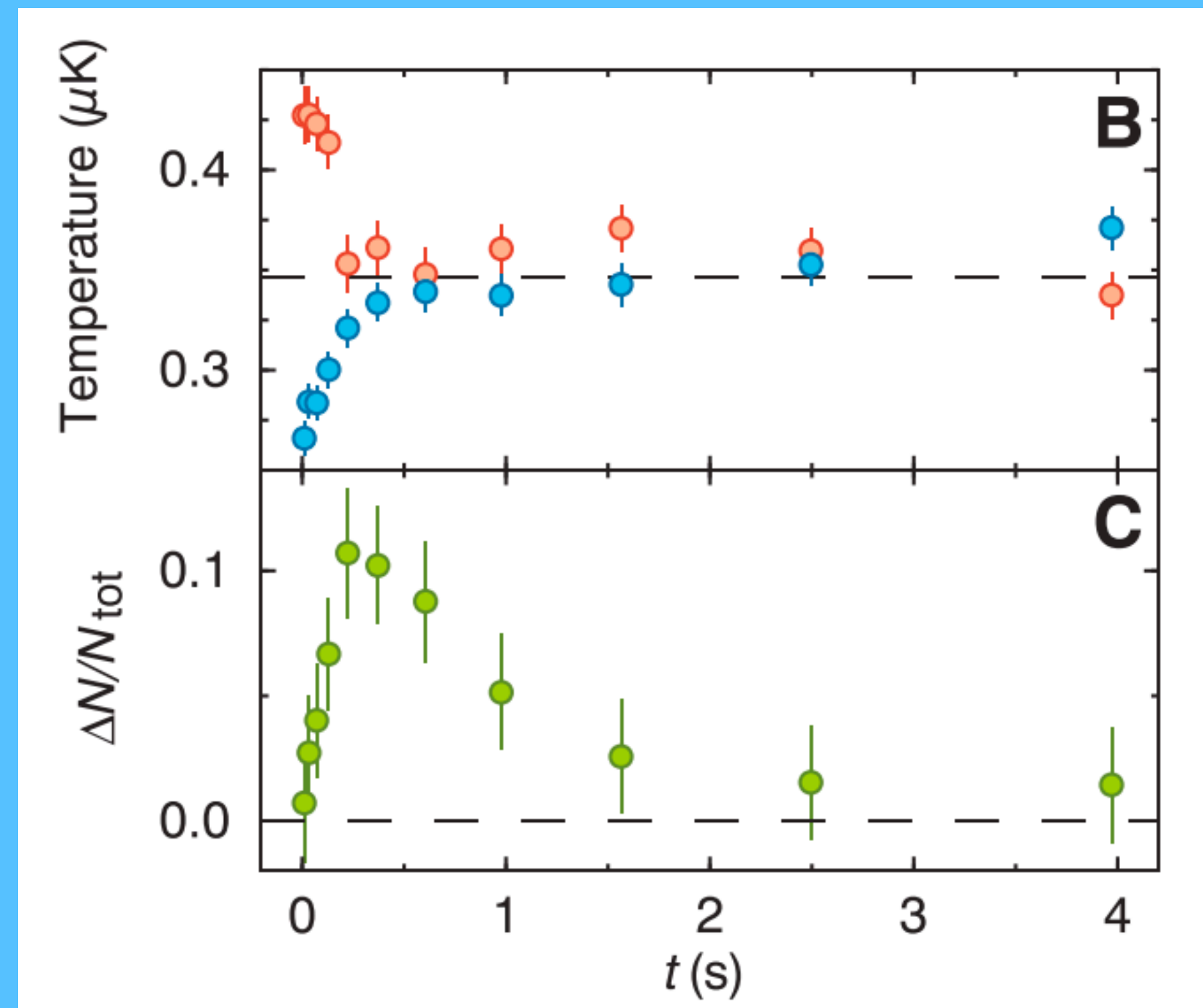
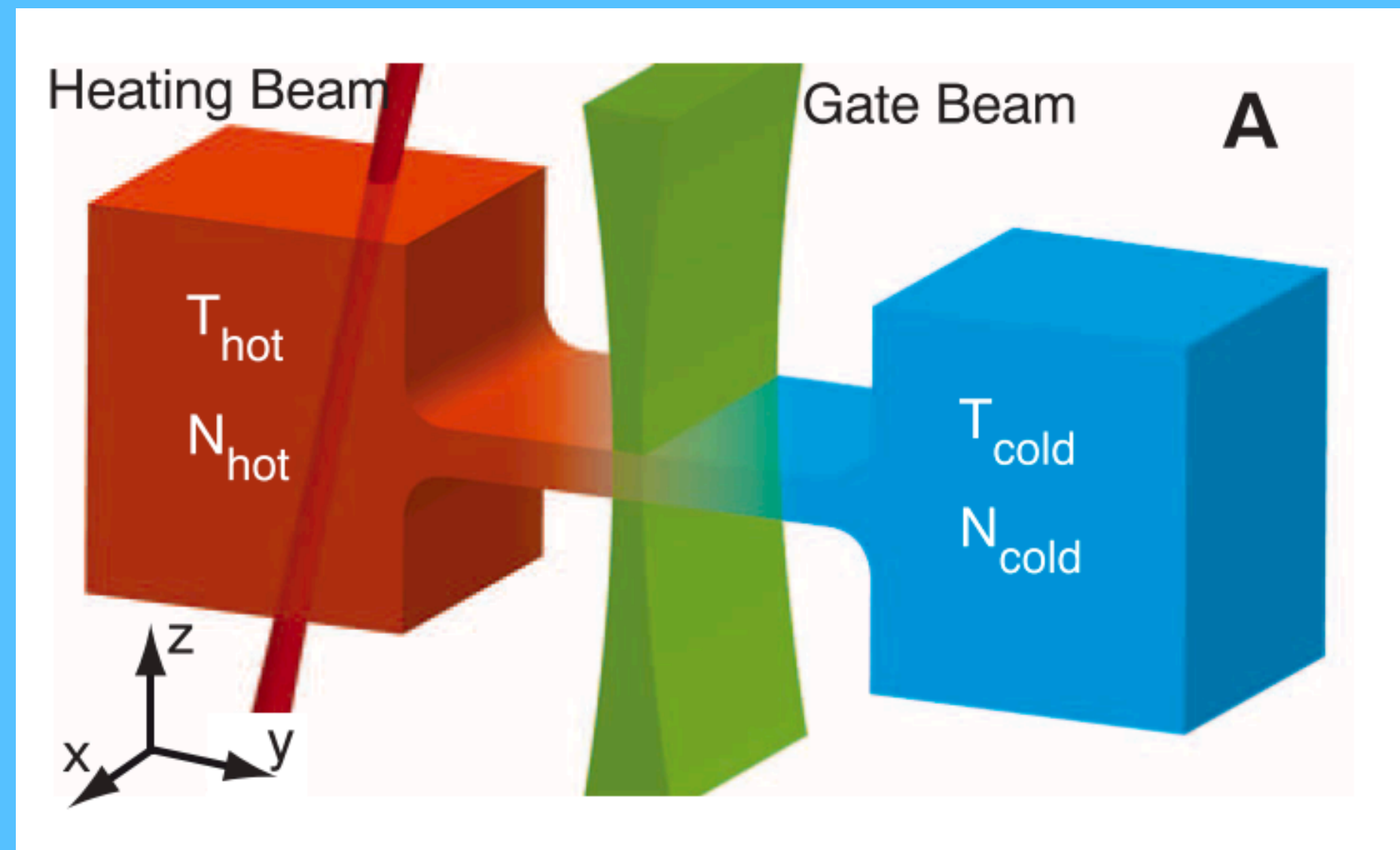
L_{EN} : Peltier effect

Gradient of concentration generates heat flow

Thermocouples

Onsager theory in the quantum regime

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Non-Abelian (non-commuting) charges

- In the quantum domain we can also have transport of charges that do not commute.

$$\rho = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left\{ - \sum_k \lambda_k Q_k \right\} \quad [Q_k, Q_\ell] \neq 0$$

(non-Abelian thermal states - NATS)

- Ex: spin transport $\rho = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left\{ - \lambda_x \sigma_x - \lambda_y \sigma_y - \lambda_z \sigma_z \right\}$
- Ex: Energy & radiation squeezing.

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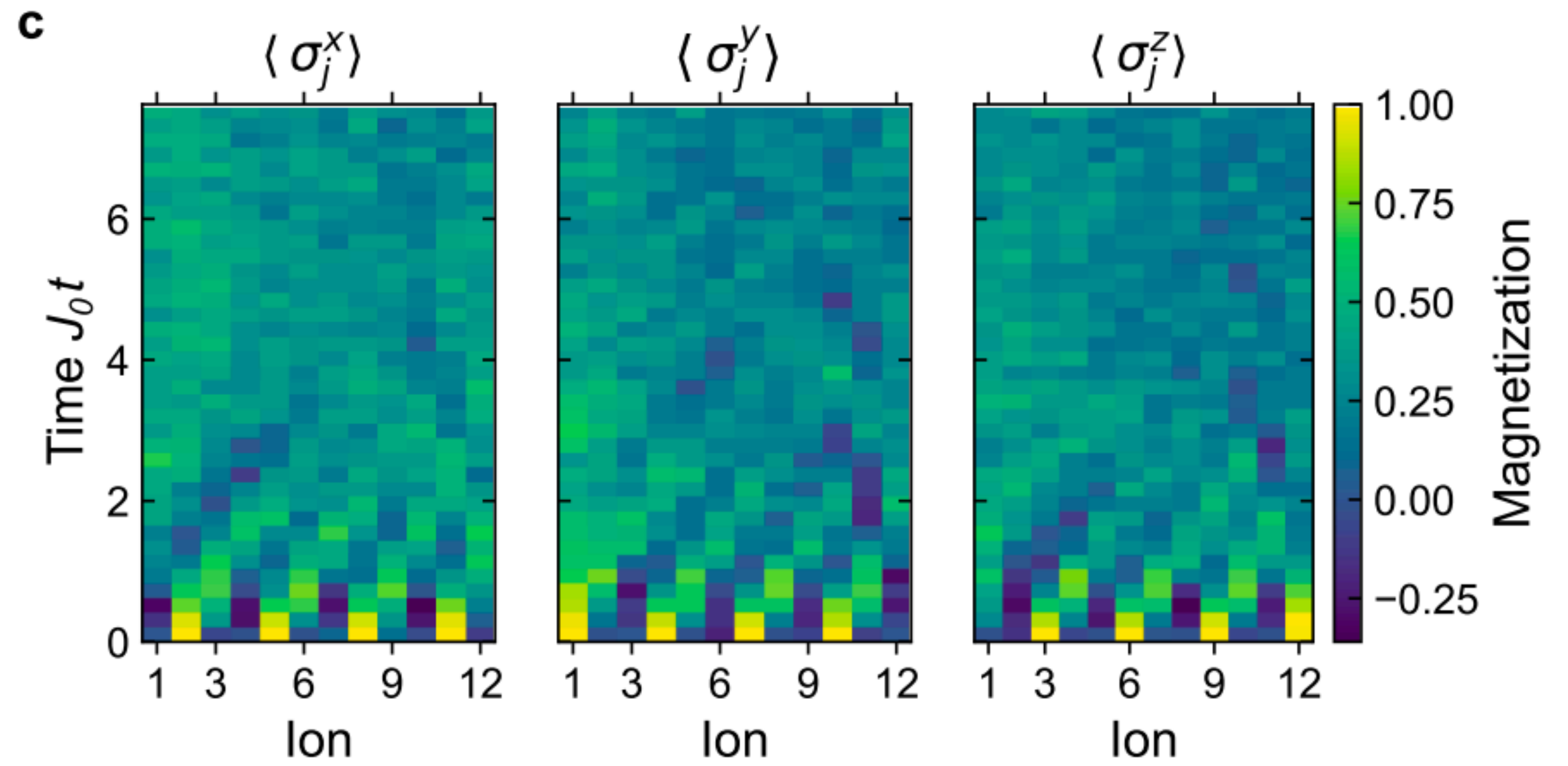
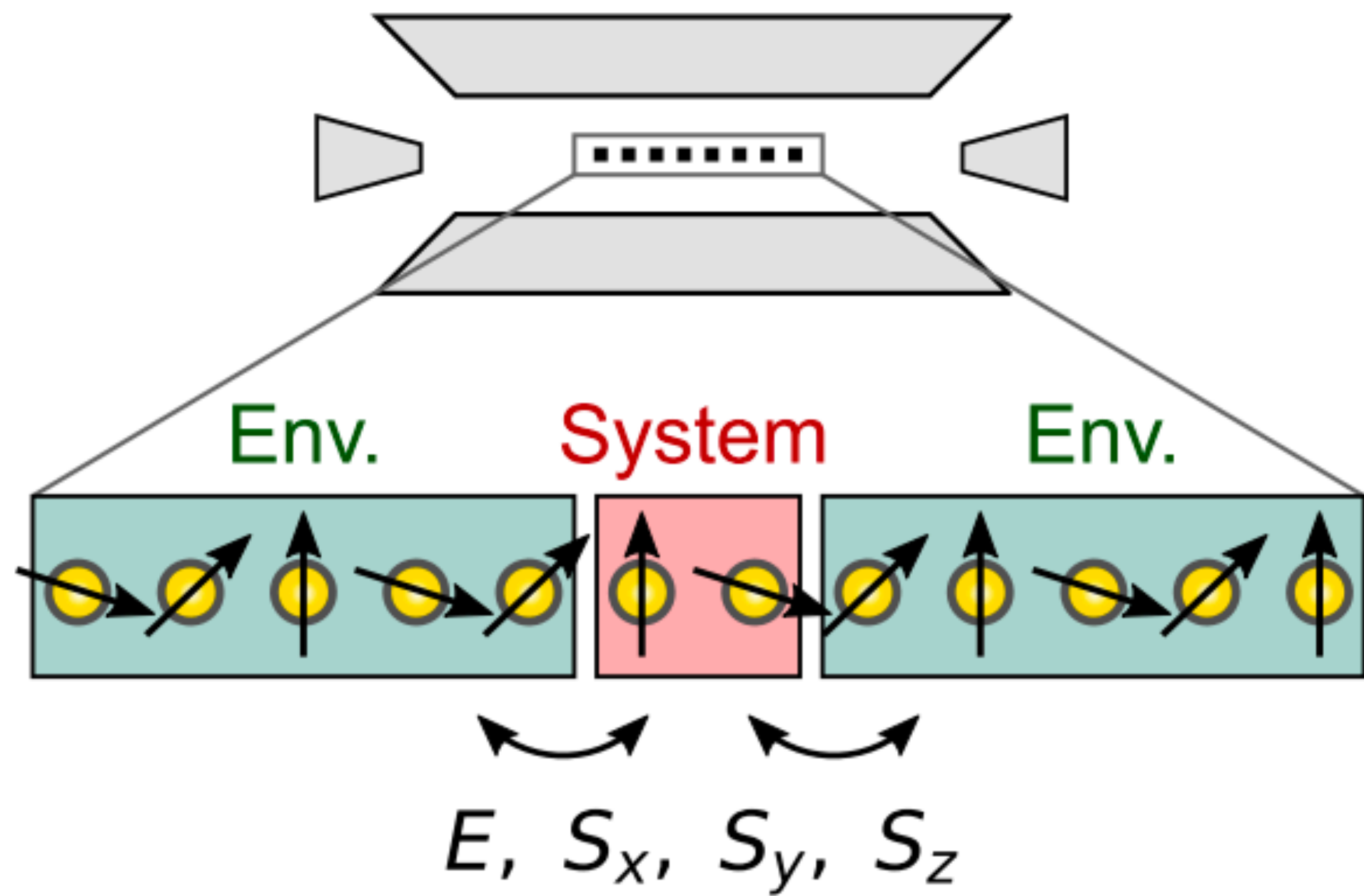
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Thermodynamics of quantum systems with multiple conserved quantities

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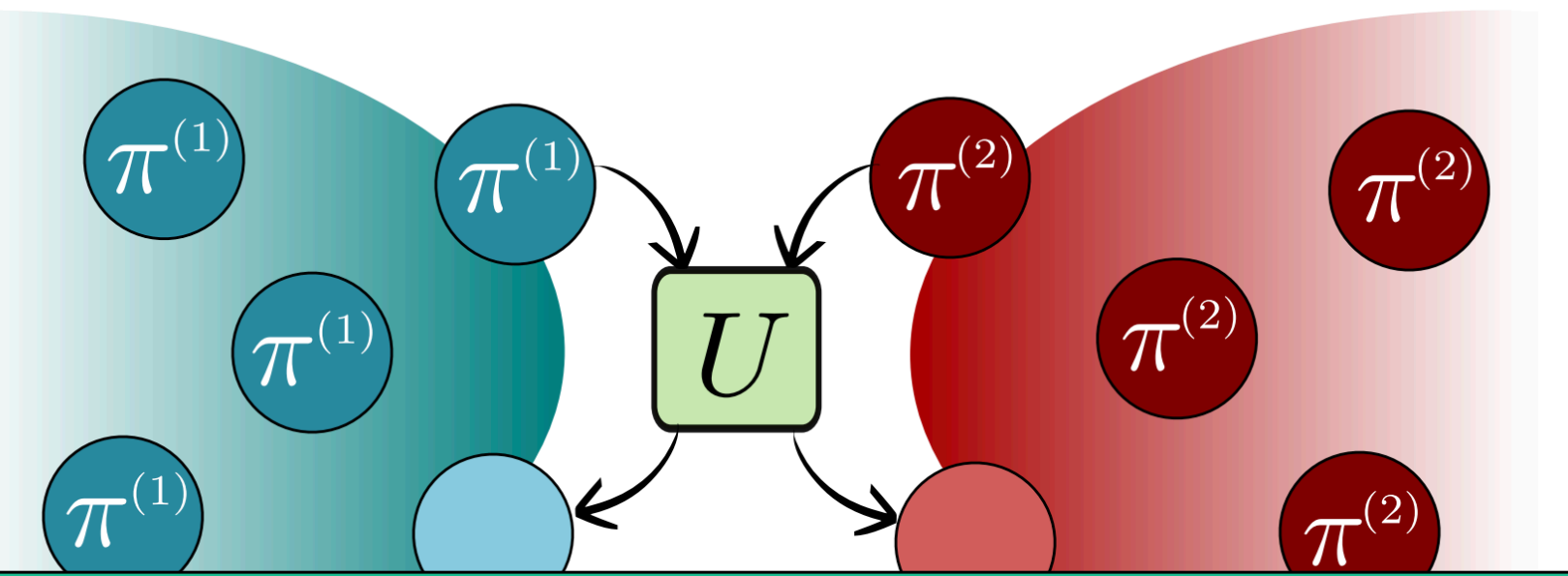
Collision model approach

- We study non-Abelian transport in a collision model approach.
 - Sequence of individual collisions between small ancillas of each bath.
- Two systems, A and B, each prepared in states

$$\rho_{\lambda_x}^x = \frac{1}{Z_x} \exp \left\{ - \sum_k \lambda_k^x Q_k^x \right\}, \quad x = A, B$$

with $\lambda_k^A \neq \lambda_k^B$

- Interaction map: $\rho'_{AB} = U \left(\rho_{\lambda_A}^A \otimes \rho_{\lambda_B}^B \right) U^\dagger$



When can we talk about transport?

- Transport means the thing leaving one system must equal that entering the other.
- Condition for strict charge conservation (SCC):

$$[U, Q_k^A + Q_k^B] = 0, \quad \forall k$$

- Define *unique* current operator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_k &= U^\dagger Q_k^{(A)} U - Q_k^{(A)} \\ &= -U^\dagger Q_k^{(B)} U + Q_k^{(B)} \end{aligned}$$

- Average current: $J_k = \text{tr} \left(\mathcal{J}_k (\pi_A \otimes \pi_B) \right)$

Entropy production

- Entropy production can be written in a fully information-theoretic way as

$$\Sigma = I'(A:B) + D(\rho'_A || \rho_A) + D(\rho'_B || \rho_B) \geq 0$$

- where

$$I'(A : B) = S(\rho'_A) + S(\rho'_B) - S(\rho'_{AB})$$

$$D(\rho || \sigma) = \text{tr} \left\{ \rho \ln \rho - \rho \ln \sigma \right\}$$

- Fully operational: irreversibility due to loss of AB correlations + irreversible local changes in A and B.

- **NATS:** entropy production reduces to Onsager's result: $\dot{\Sigma} = \sum_k \delta\lambda_k J_k$.

M. Esposito, K. Lindenberg, C. Van den Broeck, “**Entropy production as correlation between system and reservoir**”. *New Journal of Physics*, **12**, 013013 (2010).

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Linear response theory

Symmetric logarithmic derivative

The proof of our result uses concepts from quantum parameter estimation.

We define the SLD for each charge/affinity pair:

$$\Lambda_k \rho_\lambda + \rho_\lambda \Lambda_k = 2 \frac{\partial \rho_\lambda}{\partial \lambda_k}$$

For commuting charges $\Lambda_k = \langle Q_k \rangle - Q_k$

The Onsager matrix can then be written as

$$L_{k\ell} = -\frac{1}{2} \langle \{ \mathcal{J}_k, \Lambda_\ell \} \rangle$$

Onsager reciprocity follows from time-reversal invariance.

Main result

If the charges Q_k and the dynamics are time-reversal invariant, then the Onsager matrix can be written as

$$L_{k\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 dy \text{cov}_y(\mathcal{J}_k, \mathcal{J}_\ell)$$

where $\mathcal{J}_k = U^\dagger Q_k^{(A)} U - Q_k^{(A)}$ and

$$\text{cov}_y(A, B) = \text{tr}(A \rho^y B \rho^{1-y}) - \text{tr}(A \rho) \text{tr}(B \rho)$$

is the y -covariance, with $\rho = \rho_\lambda^A \otimes \rho_\lambda^B$ being the equilibrium state.

For commuting charges we recover the *Kubo formula*

$$L_{k\ell} = \text{cov}(\mathcal{J}_k, \mathcal{J}_\ell)$$

Consequence

The entropy production can be written as

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 dy \operatorname{cov}_y(D, D), \quad D = \sum_k \delta\lambda_k \mathcal{J}_k$$

This can be further split as

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_{\text{comm}} - I$$

where I is the Wigner-Yanase-Dyson skew information (a quantifier of coherence)

$$I(\pi, D) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 dy \operatorname{tr}([\pi^y, D][\pi^{1-y}, D]) \geq 0$$

Reduction in the entropy production due to quantum coherence.

D. Petz, “Covariance and Fisher information in quantum mechanics”
J. Phys. A., **35**, 929–939 (2002)

Note that D is the operator associated to the entropy production:

$$\Sigma = \langle D \rangle$$

In the commuting case, we would have the Fluctuation-Dissipation relation

$$\langle D \rangle_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Var}(D)_{\text{eq}}$$

Non-commutativity breaks the FDR:

$$\langle D \rangle_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Var}(D)_{\text{eq}} - I$$

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Thermosqueezing

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Thermosqueezing

- Single QHO:

$$\rho = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\{-\beta H - \beta\mu A\}, \quad H = \frac{\omega}{2}(p^2 + x^2), \quad A = \frac{\omega}{2}(p^2 - x^2)$$

- Two charges, H (energy) and A (asymmetry). Satisfy SU(1,1) algebra.
- Onsager coefficients:

Charge preserving Gaussian unitary

Unitary which preserves both energy and squeezing:

$$U = \exp\{-g\tau(a_1^\dagger a_2 - a_2^\dagger a_1)\}$$

Actually the only one which is also Gaussian (quadratic).

Transport coefficients

Thermal conductance: $\kappa = -\beta^2 L_{QQ}$

Squeezing conductance: $G = -\beta L_{AA}$

Entropy production/dissipated heat reads

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{diss}} = \Sigma/\beta = \kappa\delta T^2/T + J_A G$$

New Joule-like heating term due to squeezing.

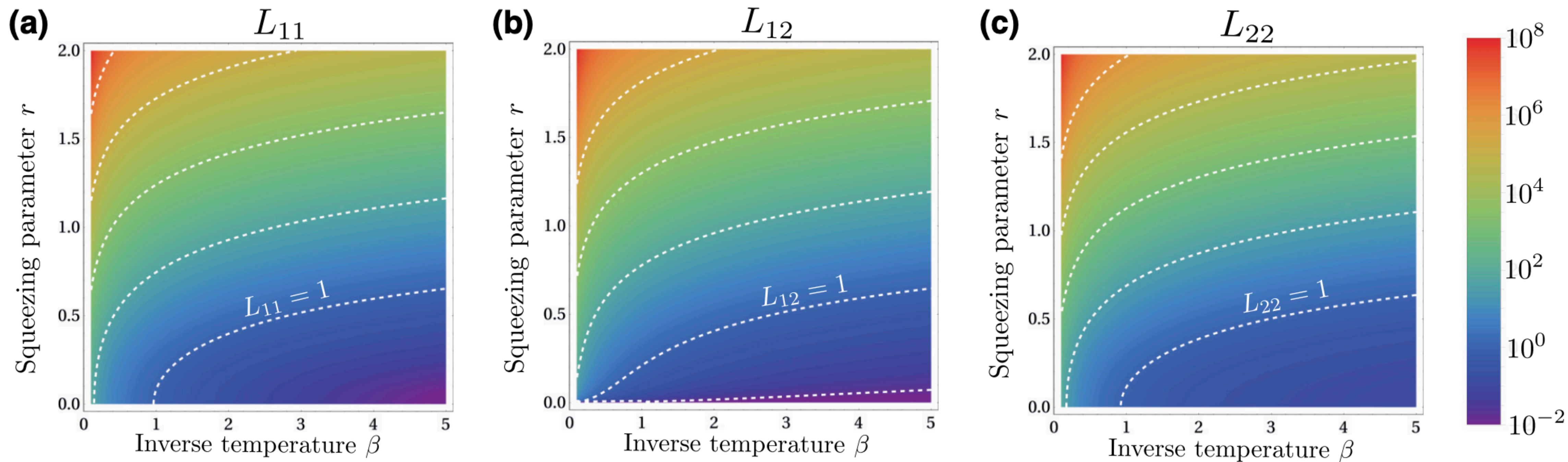


FIG. 2. (a)–(c) Thermosqueezing Onsager coefficients L_{11}, L_{12}, L_{22} on the log scale, computed from Eqs. (19), in units of $(\hbar\omega)^2 \sin^2(g\tau)$, as a function of the inverse temperature β (in units of $\hbar\omega/k_B$) and the adimensional squeezing parameter r .

Entropy reduction

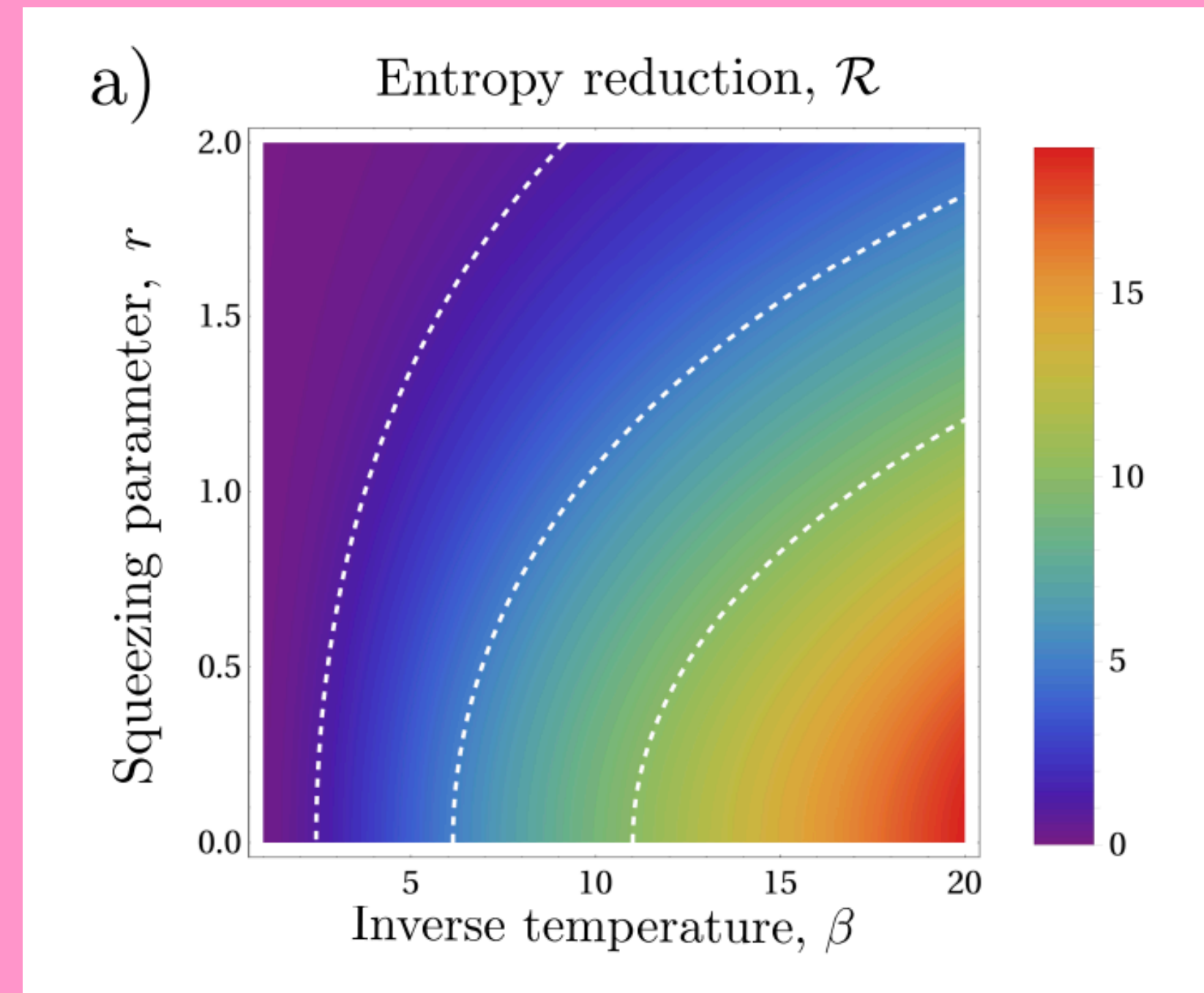
Recall that

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{2} \text{var}(D) - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 dy I_y(\pi, D)$$

Define the entropy reduction due to non-commutativity

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{1}{2\Sigma} \int_0^1 dy I_y(\pi, D)$$

Classical case corresponds to $\mathcal{R} = 0$.



Cross coefficients

Thermopower, or Squeezing-Seebeck (*Squeebeck*) coefficient

$$S = \frac{1}{T} \frac{L_{AQ}}{L_{AA}}$$

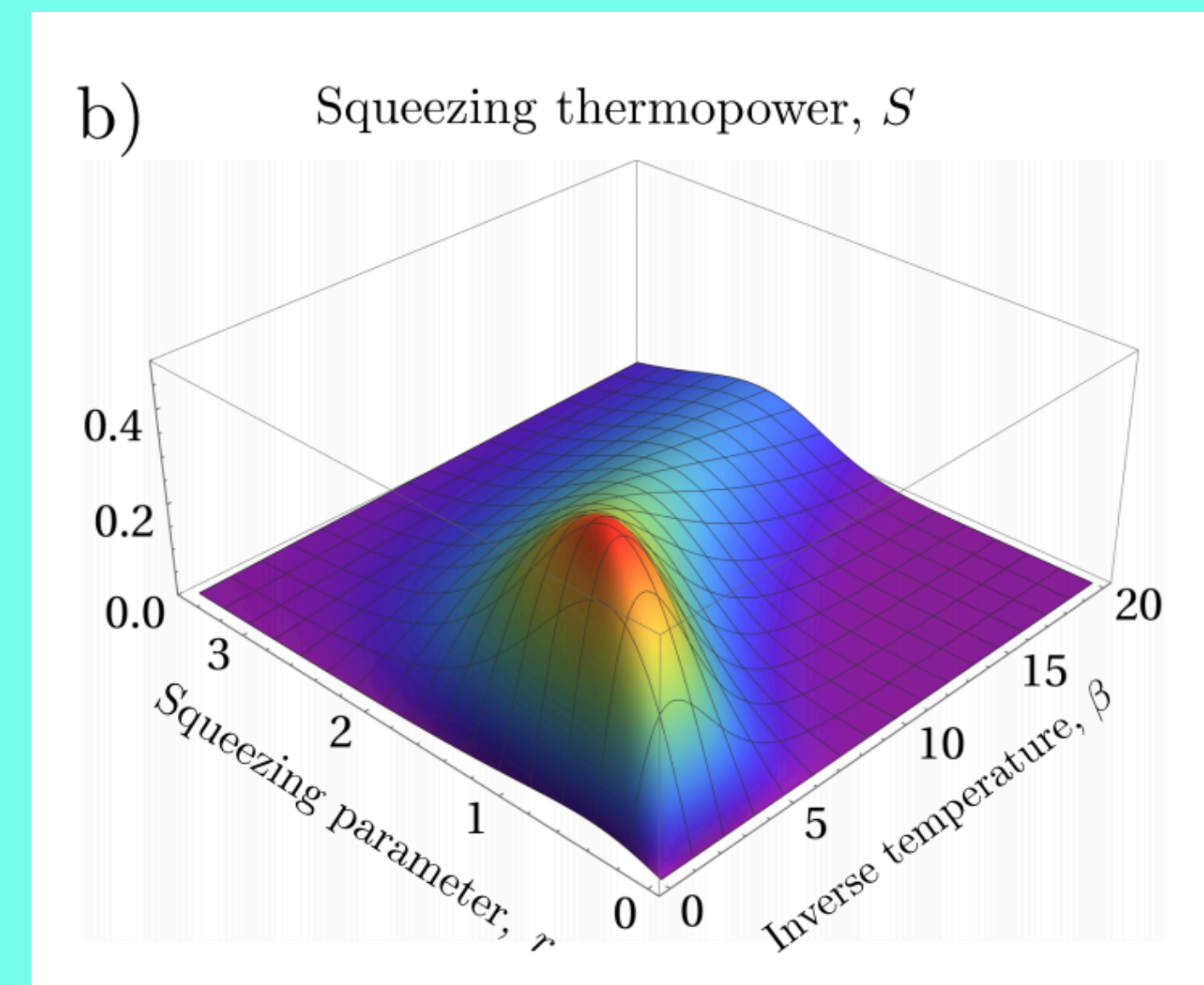
(flow of squeezing due to gradient of temperature)

Squeezing-Peltier (*Squeetier* (?) coefficient:

$$\Pi = \frac{L_{QA}}{L_{AA}}$$

(flow of heat due to gradient in squeezing)

The two are related by $\Pi = TS$



Spin S Heisenberg dynamics

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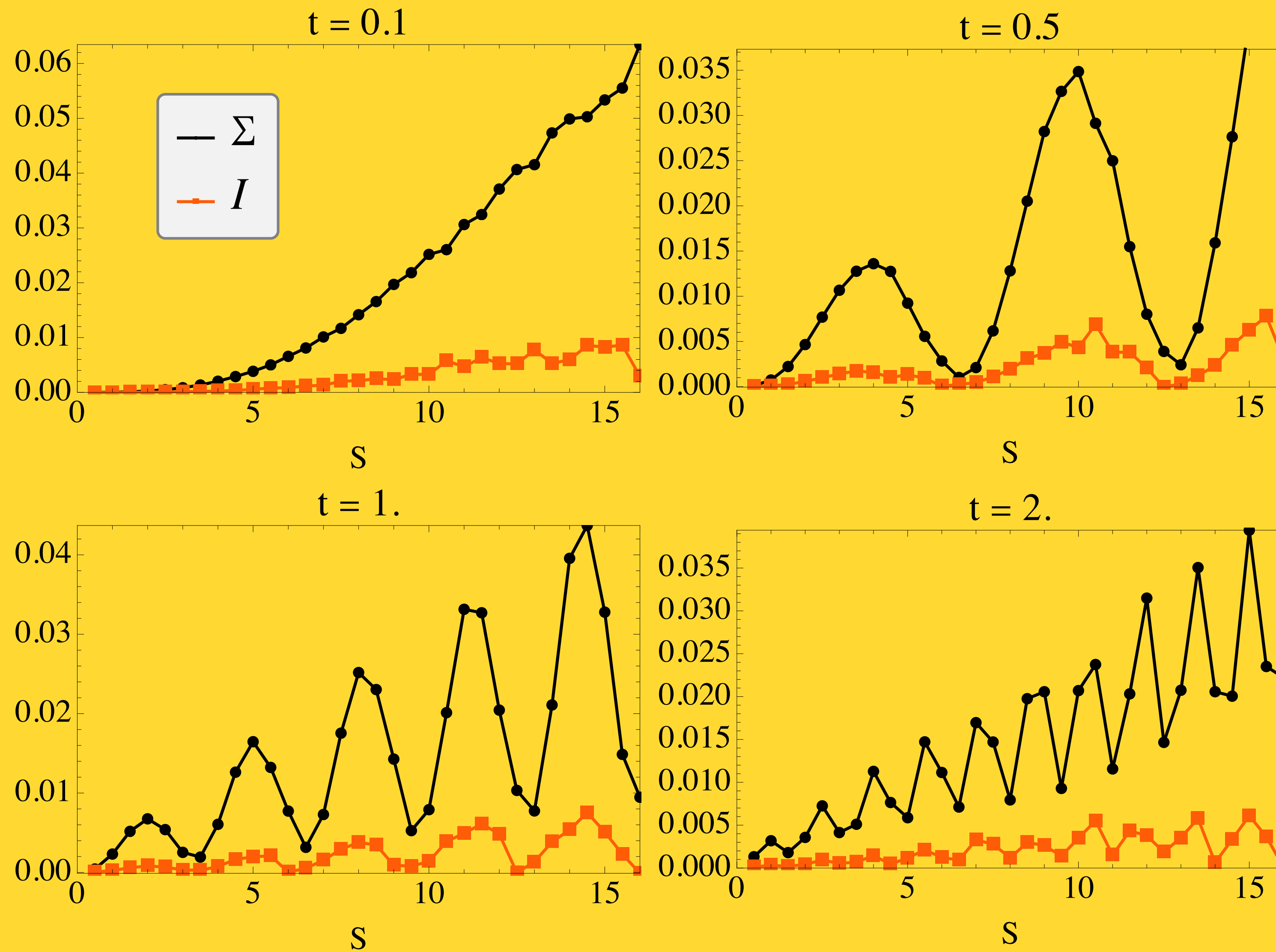
$$S_z |m\rangle =$$

- Two spin

$$\rho_{\lambda_A}^A = \frac{1}{Z}$$

- Interact

$$U = \text{ex}$$



Conclusions & outlook

- Quantum mechanics opens up the way for performing transport of non-commuting charges.
- We put forth a framework suitable for describing this in the linear response regime.

Perspectives:

- If the charges do not commute, how can we actually measure them?
- Current fluctuations and Thermodynamic Uncertainty Relations.
- Concrete applications of thermosqueezing.



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Extra slides

SU(1,1) algebra

The charges Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 form a non-Abelian group:

$$[Q_1, Q_2] = 2iQ_3$$

$$[Q_3, Q_1] = 2iQ_2$$

$$[Q_2, Q_3] = -2iQ_1$$

Onsager matrix

Unitary which preserves both heat ($J_Q = J_H - \mu J_A$) and squeezing:

$$J_Q = L_{QQ}\delta_\beta - L_{QA}\beta\delta_\mu \qquad J_A = L_{AQ}\delta_\beta - L_{AA}\beta\delta_\mu$$

with

$$L_{QQ} = f_\tau(1 - \mu^2)\bar{n}(\bar{n} + 1)$$

$$L_{QA} = L_{AQ} = f_\tau\mu\bar{n}(\bar{n} + 1)$$

$$L_{AA} = f_\tau(1 - \mu^2)^{-1} \left[\mu\bar{n}(\bar{n} + 1) + \frac{\tanh \alpha}{\alpha}(\bar{n}^2 + \bar{n}/2 + 1/2) \right]$$

where

$$\bar{n} = (e^{\beta\omega} - 1)^{-1}, \quad f_\tau = \omega^2 \sin^2(g\tau), \quad \alpha = \beta\omega\sqrt{1 - \mu^2}$$

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