



*FUNCTIONAL APPROACH TO HEAT EXCHANGE  
APPLICATION TO THE SPIN BOSON MODEL:  
FROM MARKOV TO QUANTUM NOISE REGIME*

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# Outline

- ▶ Quantum Thermodynamics
- ▶ Path-integral approach to energy exchange
- ▶ Application to the spin-boson model
- ▶ Results for average heat and heat power

# Introduction

Esposito RMP '09, Campisi RMP '11

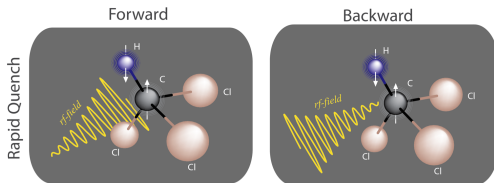


- ▶ Thermodynamics of small devices
- ▶ Definitions of work and heat at quantum level
- ▶ Precise measurement protocols

# Recent experiments

Batalhao PRI '14

- Measurement of work distribution
- NMR study with RF field



Work distribution – Closed system

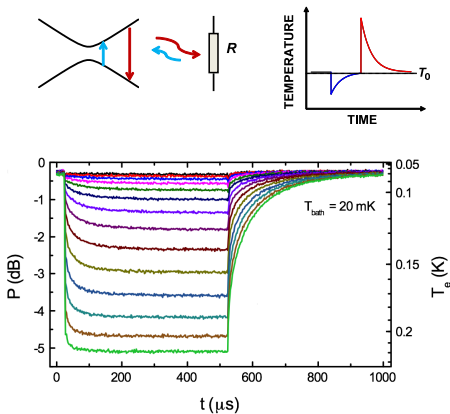
Verification of Jarzynski equality

$$\langle e^{-\beta W} \rangle = \frac{Z(\tau)}{Z(0)}$$

# Recent experiments

Pekola PRL '13, Gasparinetti Phys. Applied '15, Pekola Nat. Phys. '15

## Measurement of dissipated heat



Hybrid electronic circuit

→ **Temperature measurement of the environment**

# Measurement protocol

Tasaki ArXiv '00, Talkner PRE '07, Gasparinetti NJP '14

$$H_{\text{tot}} = H_S(t) + H_R + H_I$$



- Double measurement protocol

- ▶ initial state  $\rho_{\text{tot}}(t = 0)$
- ▶ first projective measurement  $\sum_{E_1} p_{E_1}$
- ▶ time evolution  $U(t)$  generated by  $H_{\text{tot}}$
- ▶ second projective measurement  $\sum_{E_2} p_{E_2}$

## Heat statistics $P(Q, t)$

Probability distribution of energy exchange

$$P(Q, t) = \sum_{E_1, E_2} \delta(E_2 - E_1 - Q) P[E_2; E_1] P[E_1]$$

Conditional probability  $P[E_2; E_1]$

$$P[E_2; E_1] P[E_1] = \text{Tr} [U^\dagger(t) \rho_{E_2} U(t) \rho_{E_1} \rho_{\text{tot}}(0) \rho_{E_1}]$$

- **Characteristic function**  $G_\nu(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dQ e^{iQ\nu} P(Q, t)$

$$G_\nu(t) = \text{Tr} [U^\dagger(t) e^{i\nu H_R} U(t) e^{-i\nu H_R} \rho_{\text{tot}}(0)]$$

## Heat statistics $G_\nu(t)$

- $G_\nu(t)$  Moment generating function

$$\langle Q^n(t) \rangle = (-i)^n \frac{d^n G_\nu(t)}{d\nu^n} \Big|_{\nu=0} = (-i)^n \frac{d^n \text{Tr}[\rho_{\text{tot}}^{(\nu)}(t)]}{d\nu^n} \Big|_{\nu=0}$$

Generalized time evolution  $\rho_{\text{tot}}^{(\nu)}(t) = U_{\nu/2}(t) \rho_{\text{tot}}(0) U_{\nu/2}^\dagger(t)$  with  
 $U_\nu(t) = e^{i\nu H_R} U(t) e^{-i\nu H_R}$   
Factorized initial condition

$$\rho_{\text{tot}}(0) = \rho_S(0) \otimes \rho_R(0) = \rho_S(0) \otimes \frac{e^{-\beta H_R}}{Z_R}$$

Standard approach: Master equation

→ Born-Markov approximation



# Functional integral

Feynman Ann. Phys. '63, Caldeira Phys. A '83, Weiss '99

Path integral approach – Reduced system dynamics

$$G_\nu(t) = \int d\eta_i \langle \eta_i | \rho_S(0) | \eta_i \rangle \int d\eta_f \int \mathcal{D}\eta \int \mathcal{D}\xi e^{iS_S[\eta, \xi]} \mathcal{F}_{\text{FV}}[\eta, \xi] \cdot e^{i\Delta\Phi^{(\nu)}[\eta, \xi]}$$

Generalization of Feynman-Vernon influence functional for heat exchange

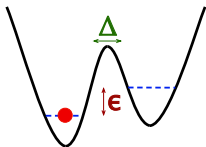
- $n$ -th moment  $\langle Q^n(t) \rangle$

$$\Phi^{(n)}[\eta, \xi] = (-i)^n \left. \frac{d^n}{d\nu^n} e^{i\Delta\phi^{(\nu)}[\eta, \xi]} \right|_{\nu=0}$$

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## Spin - boson model

- Dissipative two level system



$$H_S = -\frac{\Delta}{2}\sigma_x - \frac{\epsilon(t)}{2}\sigma_z$$

state basis  $|R/L\rangle$  with  $\sigma_z|R/L\rangle = \pm|R/L\rangle$

- low energy state of a double well potential  $v(q)$        $q = q_0\sigma_z$

$\Delta$  tunneling amplitude      external bias  $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 + \epsilon_1(t)$

## Weak coupling

Spectral function  $j(\omega) \propto K\omega$        $K$  coupling strength

• Weak damping regime  $K \ll 1$       constant bias  $\epsilon_0$

• Total transferred heat

$$Q_\infty \equiv \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle Q(t) \rangle = \langle E_{\text{ini}} \rangle - \langle E_{\text{eq}} \rangle$$

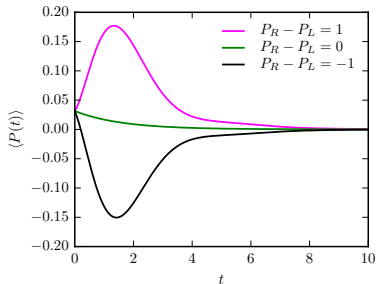
$$Q_\infty = \frac{(P_R - P_L)\epsilon_0}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{\delta^2 + \epsilon_0^2}}{2} \tanh\left(\frac{\sqrt{\delta^2 + \epsilon_0^2}}{2T}\right)$$

## Markov regime

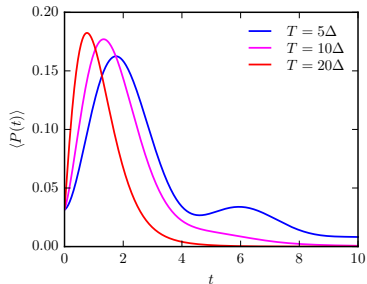
- High temperature regime  $T > \sqrt{\Delta^2 + \epsilon_0^2}$

Average heat power  $\langle P(t) \rangle = \langle \dot{Q}(t) \rangle$

$$\langle P(t) \rangle = \frac{\pi}{2} K \delta^2 - \pi K T \Delta [\langle \sigma_x(t) \rangle_s - (P_R - P_L) \langle \sigma_x(t) \rangle_a]$$



$K = 0.02$



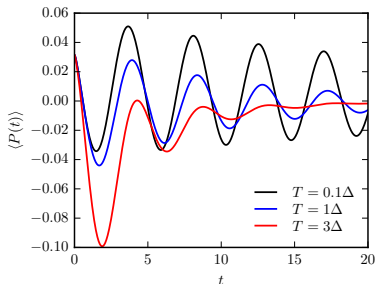
$\Delta = \epsilon_0 = 1$

## Quantum noise regime

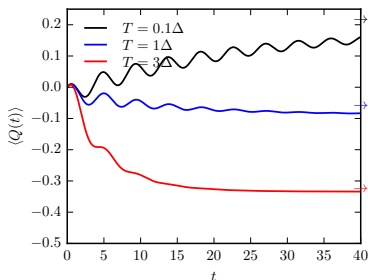
- Low temperature  $T < \sqrt{\Delta^2 + \epsilon_0^2}$

Average heat power – quantum noise contributions

$$\langle P(t) \rangle = -\frac{\Delta}{2} \int_0^t d\tau L'(\tau) \left( \langle \sigma_x(t-\tau) \rangle_s \langle \sigma_z(\tau) \rangle_s - \langle \sigma_z(t-\tau) \rangle_a \langle \sigma_x(\tau) \rangle_a \right) \\ + \frac{\Delta(P_R - P_L)}{2} \int_0^t d\tau L'(\tau) \left( \langle \sigma_x(t-\tau) \rangle_a \langle \sigma_z(\tau) \rangle_s - \langle \sigma_z(t-\tau) \rangle_s \langle \sigma_x(\tau) \rangle_a \right)$$



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# Conclusions

- ▶ Functional integral approach to energy exchange
- ▶ Application to the spin-boson model
- ▶ Average heat and heat power
- ▶ Quantum noise contribution at low temperature



