

Optimal transfer of population for quantum systems

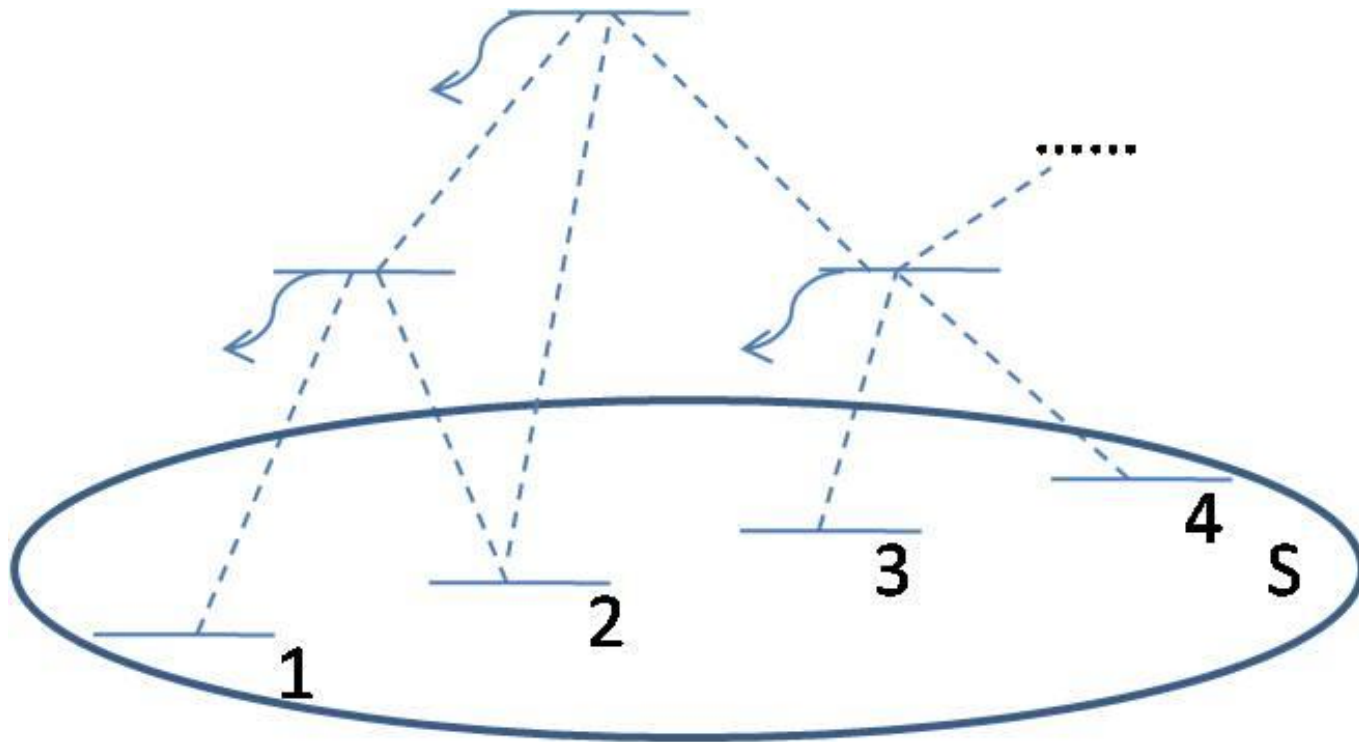
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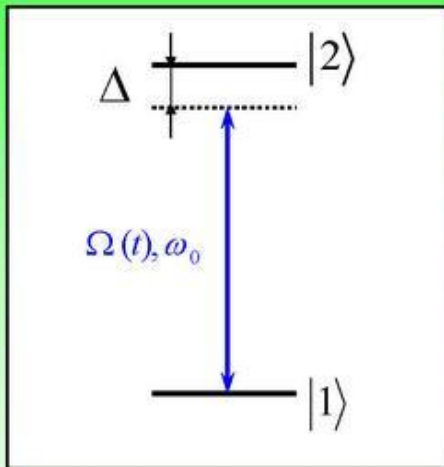
QUESTION



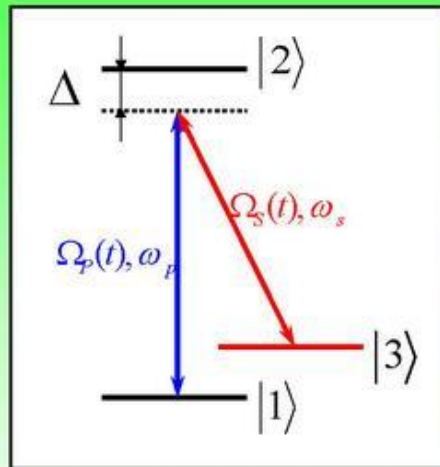
COHERENT CONTROL ON POPULATION TRANSFER

◊ *Overview of coherent control*

two-level system



three-level system



$$\Omega_j(t) = \mu_j E_k(t) / \hbar \quad \text{Rabi frequency}$$

$$\Delta = (E_2 - E_1) / \hbar - \omega_0 \quad \text{detuning}$$

$$E_k(t) = E_{k0}(t) \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi_0) \quad \text{e.-m. field}$$

ADIABATIC TRANSFER

Adiabatic Basis, dressed states

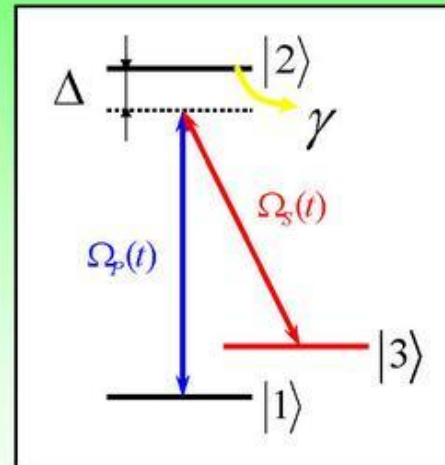
•Time-dependent Schrödinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(t) = \hat{H}(t) \Psi(t)$$

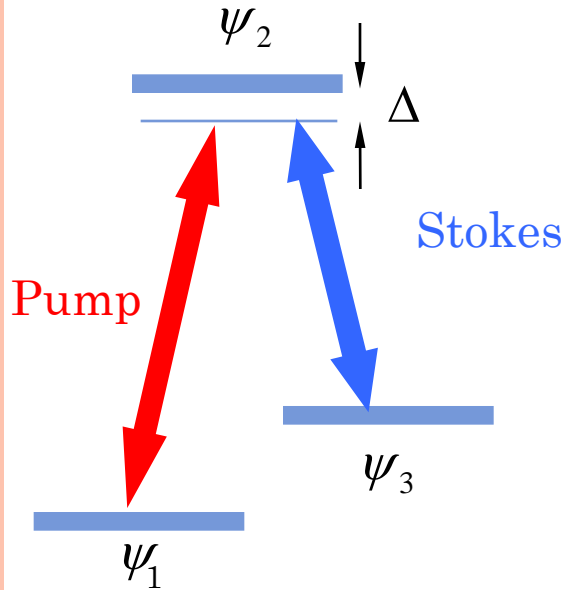
$$\Psi(t) = a_1(t)|1\rangle + a_2(t)|2\rangle + a_3(t)|3\rangle$$

In the rotating wave approximation(RWA)

$$\hat{H}(t) = -\frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Omega_p(t) & 0 \\ \Omega_p(t) & 2\Delta & \Omega_s(t) \\ 0 & \Omega_s(t) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



Three level atom- Λ configuration



$$H(t) = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \Omega_p & 0 \\ \Omega_p & 2\Delta & \Omega_s \\ 0 & \Omega_s & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi_-(t), \phi_0(t), \phi_+(t) -$$

adiabatic basis (eigenvectors of $H(t)$)

$$\phi_-(t) = \psi_1 \sin \mathcal{G}(t) \cos \varphi(t) - \psi_2 \sin \varphi(t) + \psi_3 \cos \varphi(t) \cos \mathcal{G}(t)$$

$$\phi_0(t) = \psi_1 \cos \mathcal{G}(t) - \psi_3 \sin \mathcal{G}(t) - \text{dark state}$$

$$\phi_+(t) = \psi_1 \sin \mathcal{G}(t) \sin \varphi(t) + \psi_2 \cos \varphi(t) + \psi_3 \sin \varphi(t) \cos \mathcal{G}(t)$$

$$\tan 2\varphi(t) = \frac{\sqrt{\Omega_p^2(t) + \Omega_s^2(t)}}{\Delta} \quad \tan \mathcal{G}(t) = \frac{\Omega_p(t)}{\Omega_s(t)}$$

STIRAP

•Counterintuitive pulse sequence

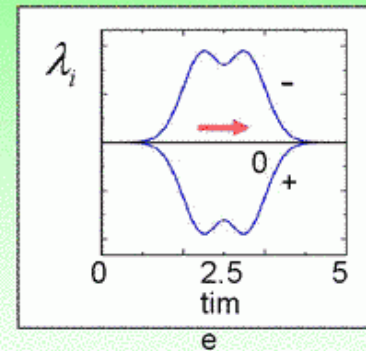
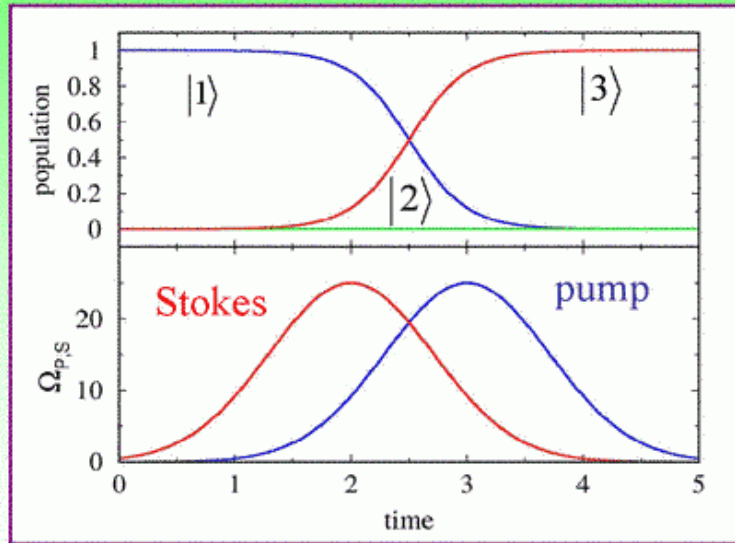
$$|c^0\rangle = \cos\theta|1\rangle - \sin\theta|3\rangle$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{\Omega_S(t)}{\Omega_e(t)}$$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{\Omega_P(t)}{\Omega_e(t)}$$

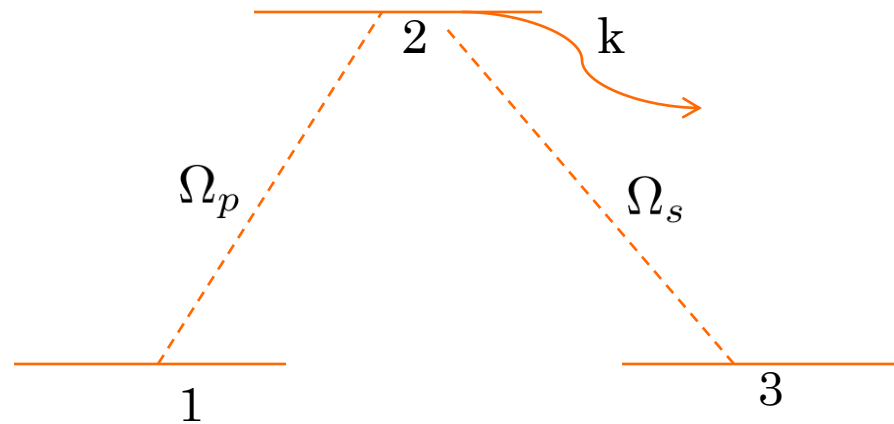
$$\Omega_e(t) = \sqrt{\Omega_P^2(t) + \Omega_S^2(t)}$$

!STIRAP!



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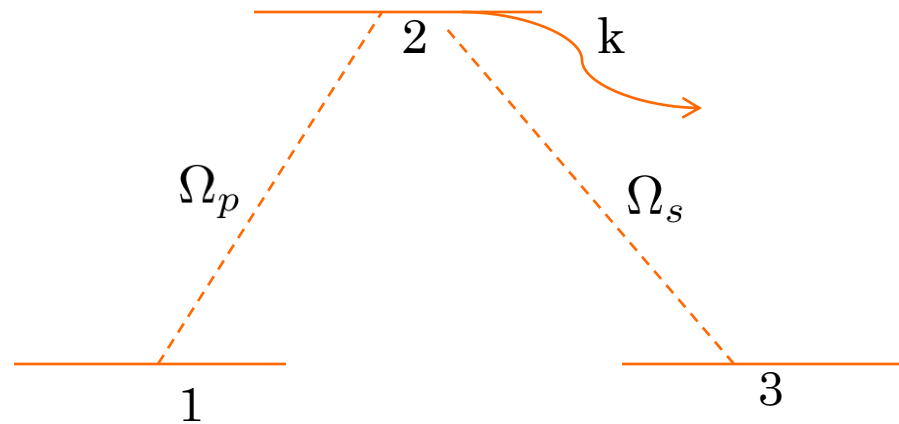
POPULATION TRANSFER IN THREE LEVEL SYSTEM



$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix} = -i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Omega_p & 0 \\ \Omega_p & -ik & \Omega_s \\ 0 & \Omega_s & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|1\rangle \rightarrow |3\rangle$$

THREE LEVEL SYSTEM



$$x_1 = x'_1, x_2 = ix'_2, x_3 = -x'_3$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\Omega_p & 0 \\ \Omega_p & -k & -\Omega_s \\ 0 & \Omega_s & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Initial $(1, 0, 0)$

Maximize $x_3(T)$

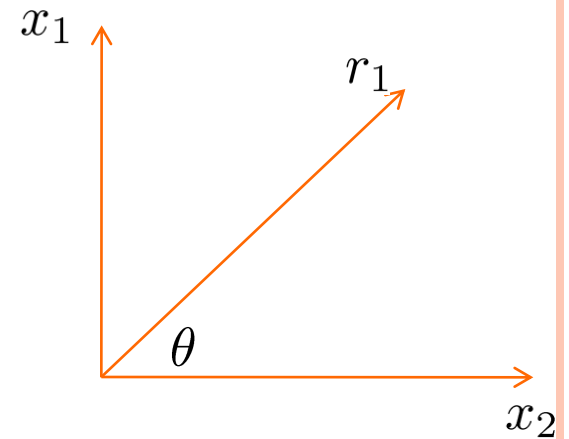
OPTIMAL CONTROL

$$r_1 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}, r_2 = x_3$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -k \cos^2 \theta & -\Omega_s \cos \theta \\ \Omega_s \cos \theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\Omega_s| \leq A \quad u = \cos \theta \quad \theta \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -ku^2 & -Au \\ Au & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix}$$



Initial $(1, 0)$
Maximize $r_2(T)$

OPTIMAL CONTROL

Denote the maximum achievable value of $r_2(T)$ by $V(r_1, r_2, t)$

$$V(r_1, r_2, t) = \max_u V(r_1 + \delta r_1, r_2 + \delta r_2, t + \delta t)$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \max_u H(u) = 0$$

$$H(u) = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r_1} \dot{r}_1 + \frac{\partial V}{\partial r_2} \dot{r}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial V}{\partial r_1} & \frac{\partial V}{\partial r_2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -ku^2 & -Au \\ Au & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r_1}, \lambda_2 = \frac{\partial V}{\partial r_2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ku^2 & -Au \\ Au & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

OPTIMAL CONTROL

$$H(u) = -k\lambda_1 r_1 \left\{ \left[u - \frac{A}{2k} \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} - \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right) \right]^2 - \left[\frac{A}{2k} \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} - \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right) \right]^2 \right\}$$

$$u = \operatorname{argmax}_u H(u)$$

$$a = \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}, b = \frac{r_2}{r_1}$$

$$u = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \frac{A}{2k}(a - b) < 0 \\ \frac{A}{2k}(a - b) & \text{if } 0 \leq \frac{A}{2k}(a - b) \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } \frac{A}{2k}(a - b) > 1 \end{cases}$$

a-b



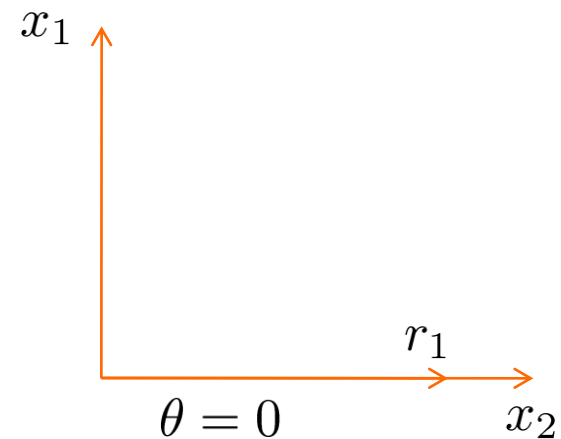
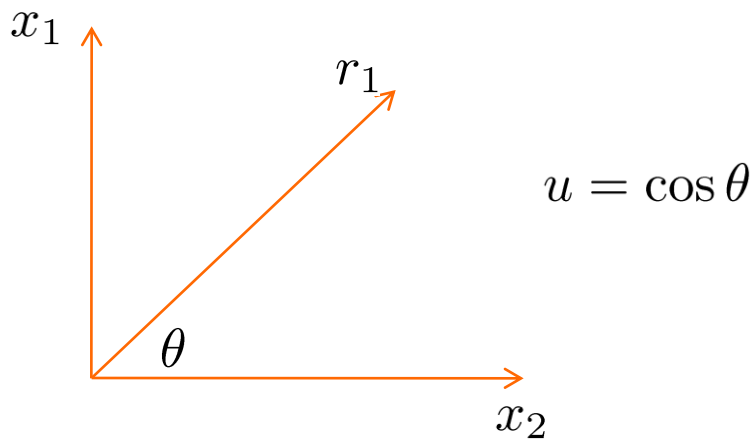
OPTIMAL CONTROL

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$$a = \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}, b = \frac{r_2}{r_1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(a-b) = (a+b)u[A(a-b) - ku] \geq 0$$

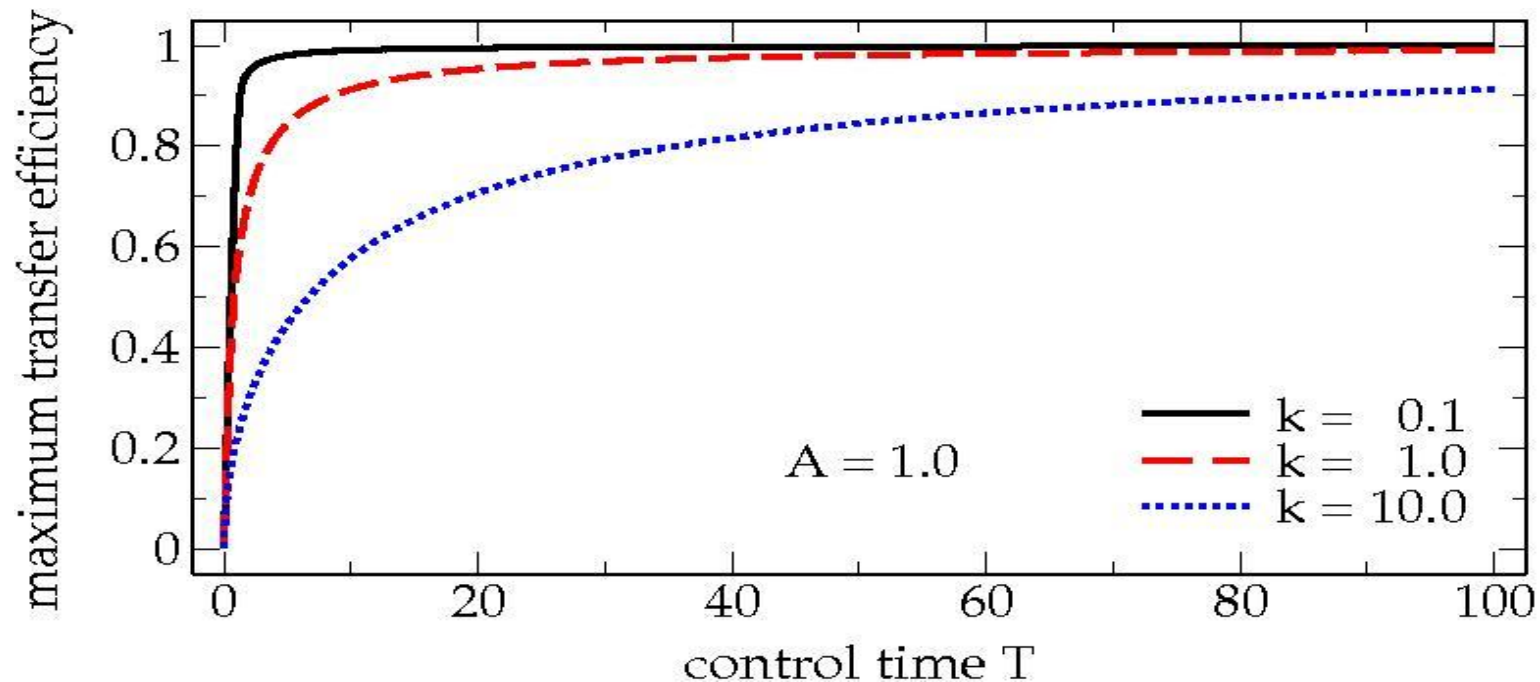
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OPTIMAL CONTROL

When $T \leq T_M$ $u^* = 1$

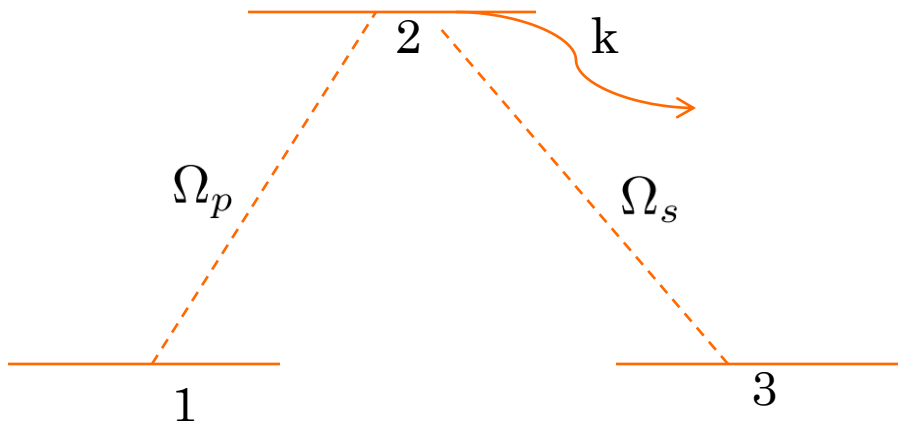
$$\text{When } T > T_M \quad u^*(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{A^2(\tau^2 - t^2) + 2k(\tau - t) + 1}} & \text{for } t \in [0, \tau] \\ 1 & \text{for } t \in [\tau, T] \end{cases},$$



CONNECT TO STIRAP

When $T \rightarrow \infty$

$$u^*(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{A^2(\tau^2 - t^2) + 2k(\tau - t) + 1}} & \text{for } t \in [0, \tau] \\ 1 & \text{for } t \in [\tau, T] \end{cases},$$



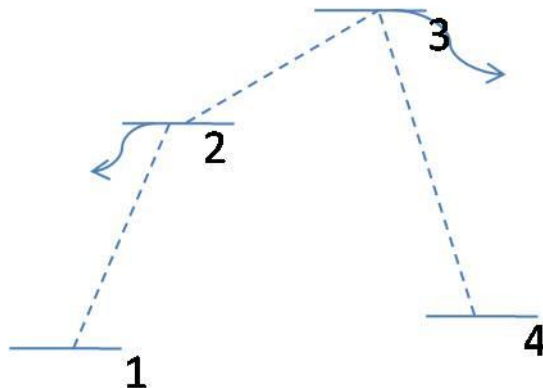
$$x_2 = r_1 u^* \sim 0$$

$$x_1 |1\rangle + x_3 |3\rangle$$

$$\frac{x_3}{x_1} = \frac{\Omega_p}{\Omega_s}$$

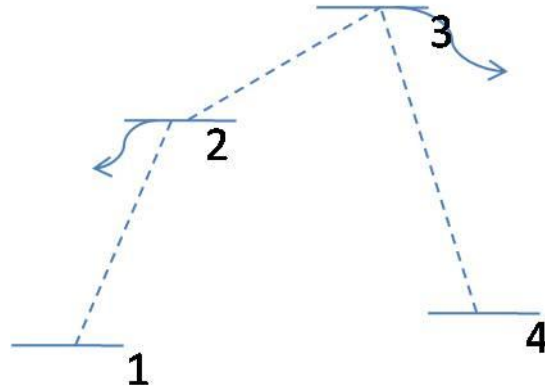
Dark state!

4-LEVEL SYSTEM



$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \\ x'_4 \end{pmatrix} = -i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Omega_p & 0 & 0 \\ \Omega_p & -ik & \Omega_I & 0 \\ 0 & \Omega_I & -ik & \Omega_s \\ 0 & 0 & \Omega_s & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \\ x'_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

4-LEVEL SYSTEM



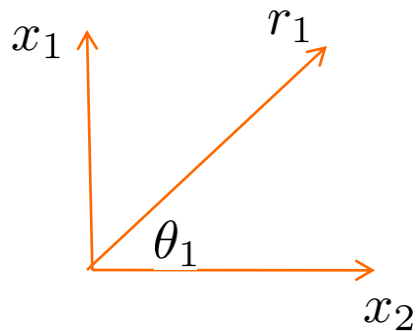
$$x_1 = x'_1, x_2 = ix'_2, x_3 = -x'_3, x_4 = -ix'_4$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\Omega_p & 0 & 0 \\ \Omega_p & -k & -\Omega_I & 0 \\ 0 & \Omega_I & -k & -\Omega_s \\ 0 & 0 & \Omega_s & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

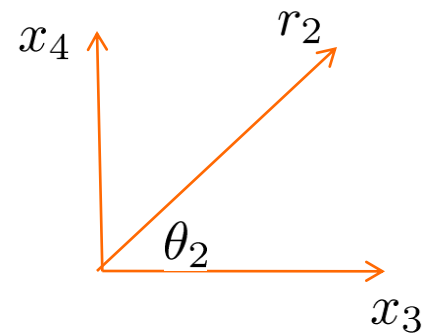
Initial $(1, 0, 0, 0)$

Maximize $x_4(T)$

4-LEVEL SYSTEM



$$r_1 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$$



$$r_2 = \sqrt{x_3^2 + x_4^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -k \cos^2 \theta_1 & -\Omega_I \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 \\ \Omega_I \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 & -k \cos^2 \theta_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

4-LEVEL SYSTEM

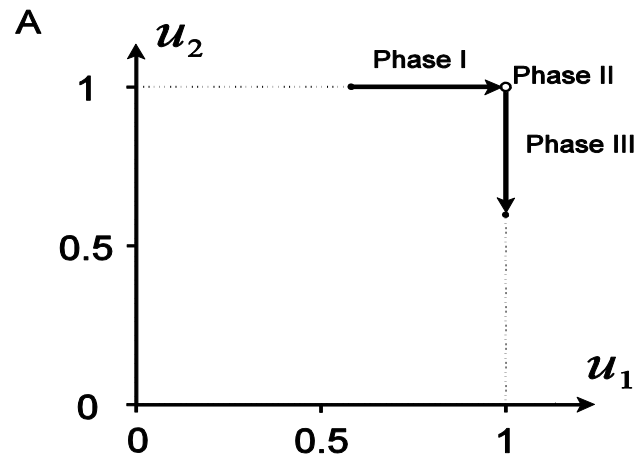
$$u_1 = \cos \theta_1 \quad u_2 = \cos \theta_2 \quad |\Omega_I| \leq A$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -ku_1^2 & -Au_1u_2 \\ Au_1u_2 & -ku_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

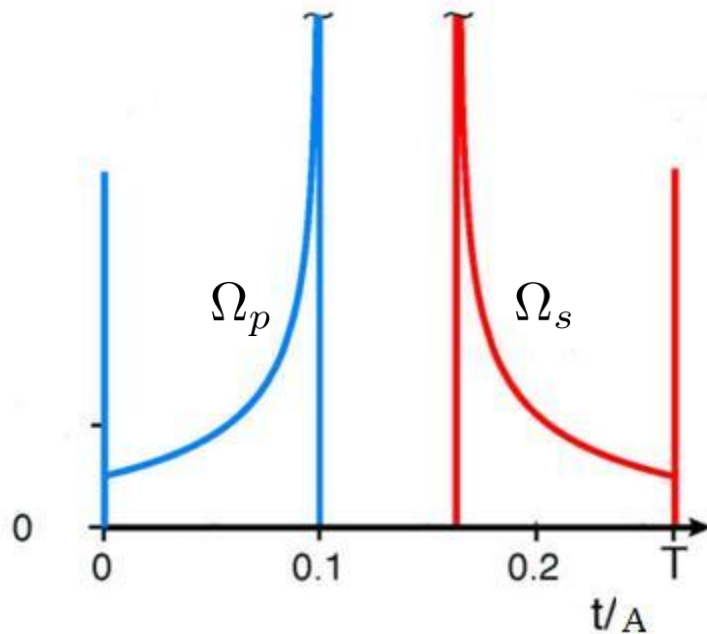
When $T \leq \frac{\cot^{-1}(2\xi)}{A}$ $u_1^*(t) = u_2^*(t) = 1$

When $T > \frac{\cot^{-1}(2\xi)}{A}$

$$\xi = \frac{k}{A}$$



OPTIMAL CONTROL FOR 4-LEVEL SYSTEM



$$T = 0.263/A$$

$$\eta_T = \frac{\exp(\xi(\theta_1 - \theta_2))(1 - \xi \sin 2\theta_2)}{\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

$$\theta_1 = \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \kappa(\tau)}{2\xi\kappa(\tau)} \right)$$

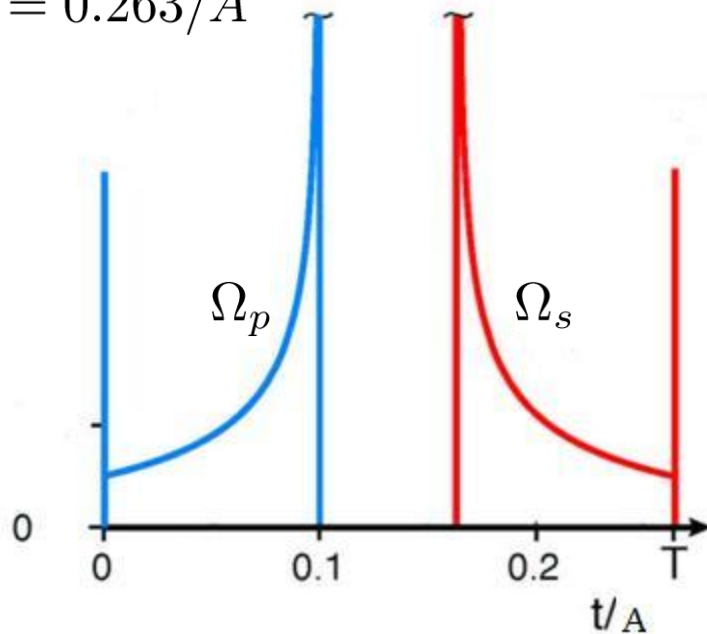
$$\theta_2 = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1 - \kappa(\tau)}{2\xi} \right)$$

$$\kappa(\tau) = 1 + 2\xi^2 - 2\xi\sqrt{1 + \xi^2} \coth(A\sqrt{1 + \xi^2} \tau + 2 \sinh^{-1} \xi)$$

$$T = 2\tau + \frac{\theta_2 - \theta_1}{A}$$

OPTIMAL CONTROL FOR 4-LEVEL SYSTEM

$$T = 0.263/A$$



In the limit that T goes to infinity

$$\eta = \sqrt{1 + \xi^2} - \xi$$

$$\xi = \frac{k}{A}$$

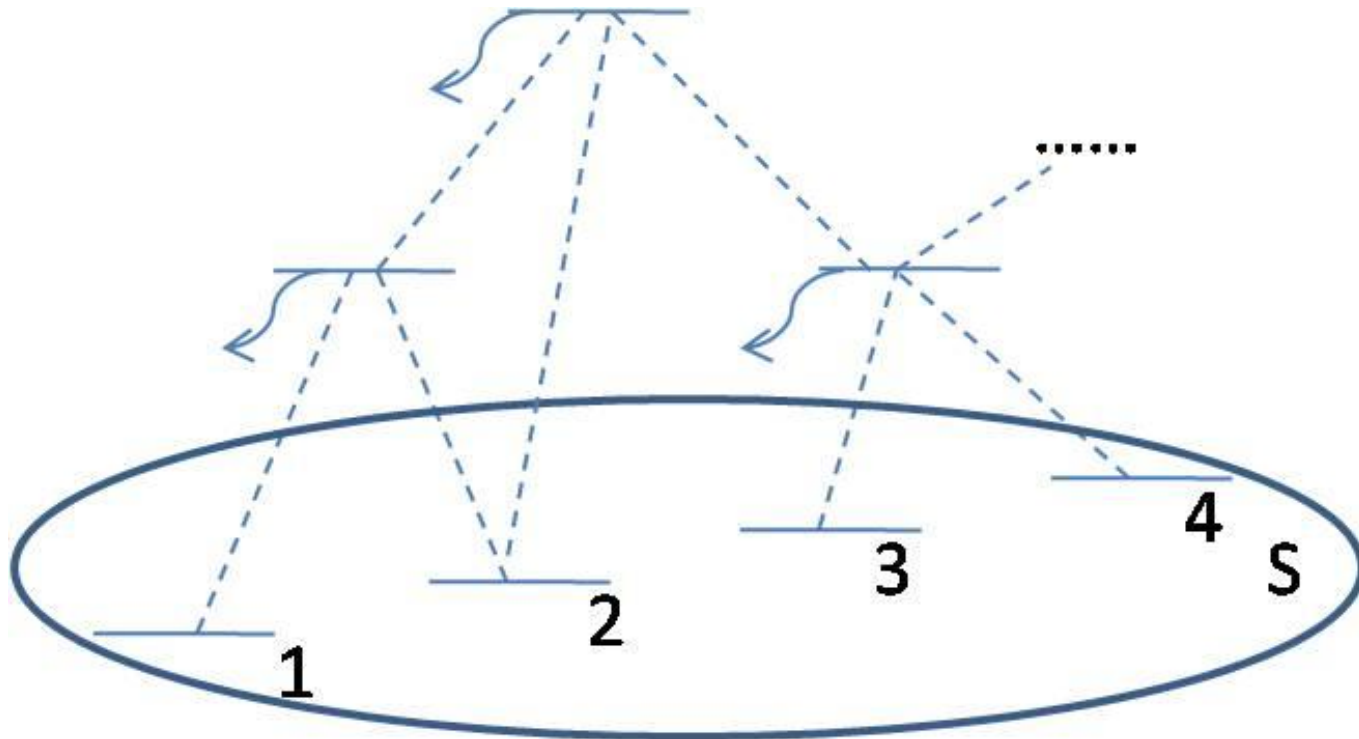
the transfer efficiency can reach unity only when $\xi = 0$, i.e., $\frac{k}{A} = 0$

WITH DETUNING

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = -i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Omega_p & 0 & 0 \\ \Omega_p & \Delta_2 - ik & \Omega_i & 0 \\ 0 & \Omega_i & \Delta_3 - ik & \Omega_s \\ 0 & 0 & \Omega_s & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

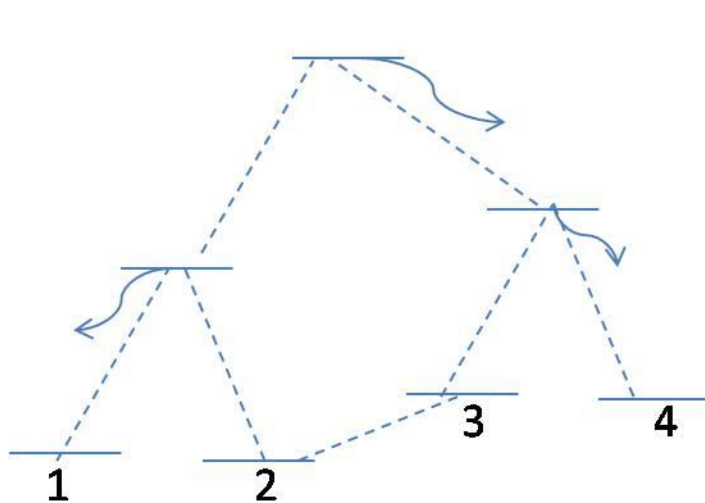
Suppose there is a trajectory achieving full population transfer with detuning, then on this trajectory x_2 and x_3 remain 0, which means the size of the detuning and relaxation rate has no effect, replacing the detuning with 0 will then lead to a contradiction with previous result.

CONTROLLABILITY ON RELAXATION FREE SUBSPACE

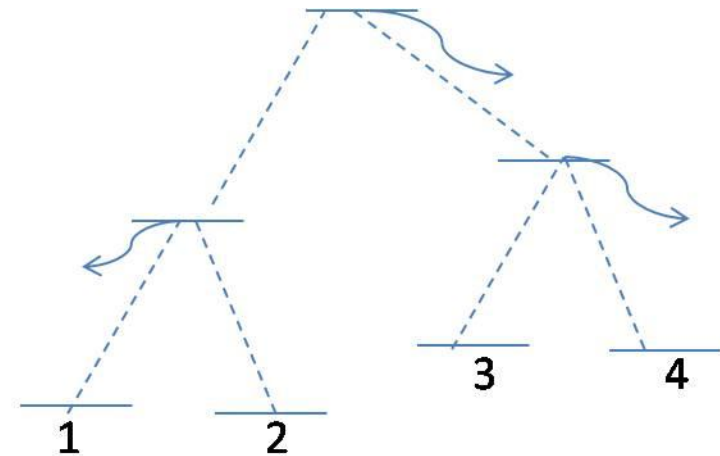


CONTROLLABILITY ON RELAXATION FREE SUBSPACE

If and only if any two eigenstates in the subspace can be connected by a path that never visits two consecutive states that both suffer relaxation.



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b

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