

IRREVERSIBLE ENTROPY PRODUCTION IN NON-EQUILIBRIUM QUANTUM PROCESSES

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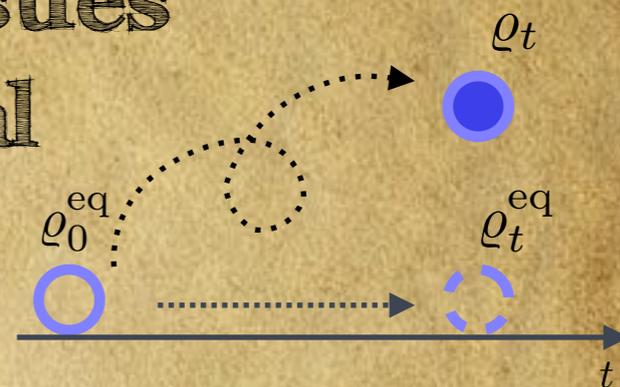
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and transport in quantum devices

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Entropy production & current issues
in quantum system: a proposal
of resolution



Observability
of the framework

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Quantumness
of the framework

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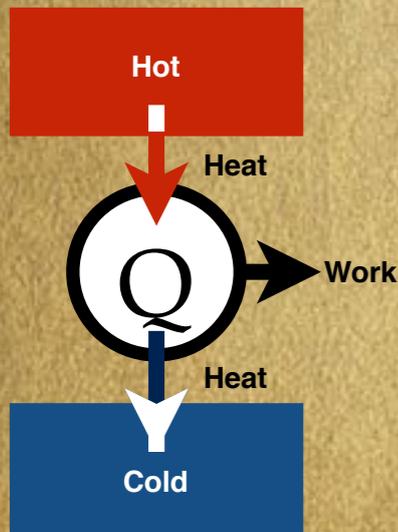
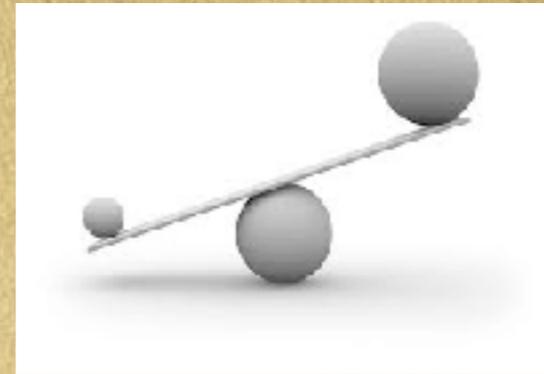
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Why entropy production?

Non-equilibrium processes dissipate energy. This produces irreversible increase of entropy



Entropy production for estimating the performance of devices (**exergy** is reduced by irreversibility)



Jukka producing
entropy and explaining it

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CURRENT ISSUES

& A PROPOSAL

Entropy production

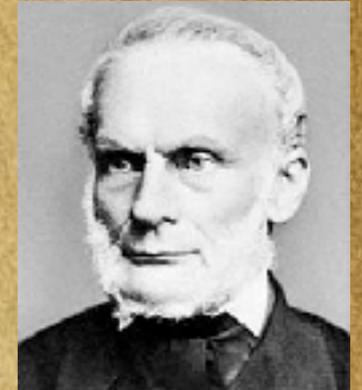
Second Law: $\Delta S \geq \int \frac{\delta Q}{T}$

$$\Delta S = \Sigma + \int \frac{\delta Q}{T}$$

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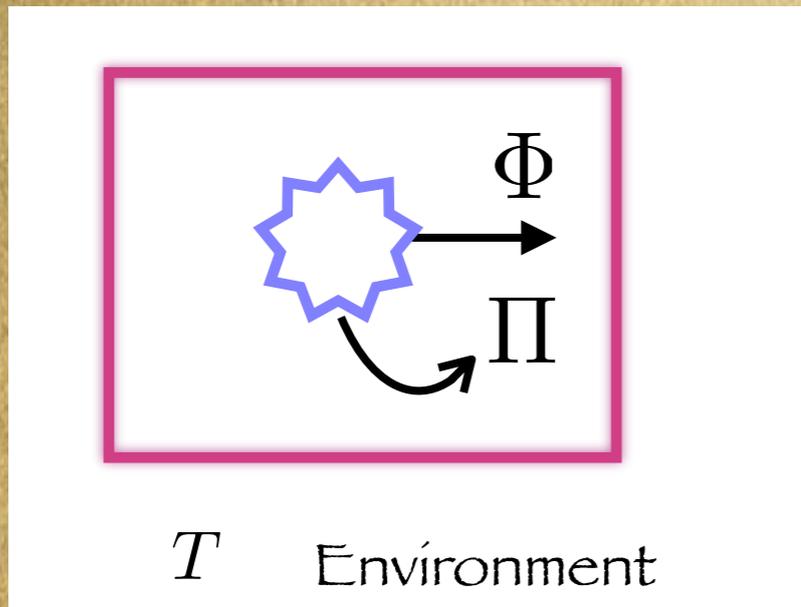
Clausius: “Uncompensated transformation”

Entropy production



Rudolf Clausius

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \Phi(t) + \Pi(t)$$

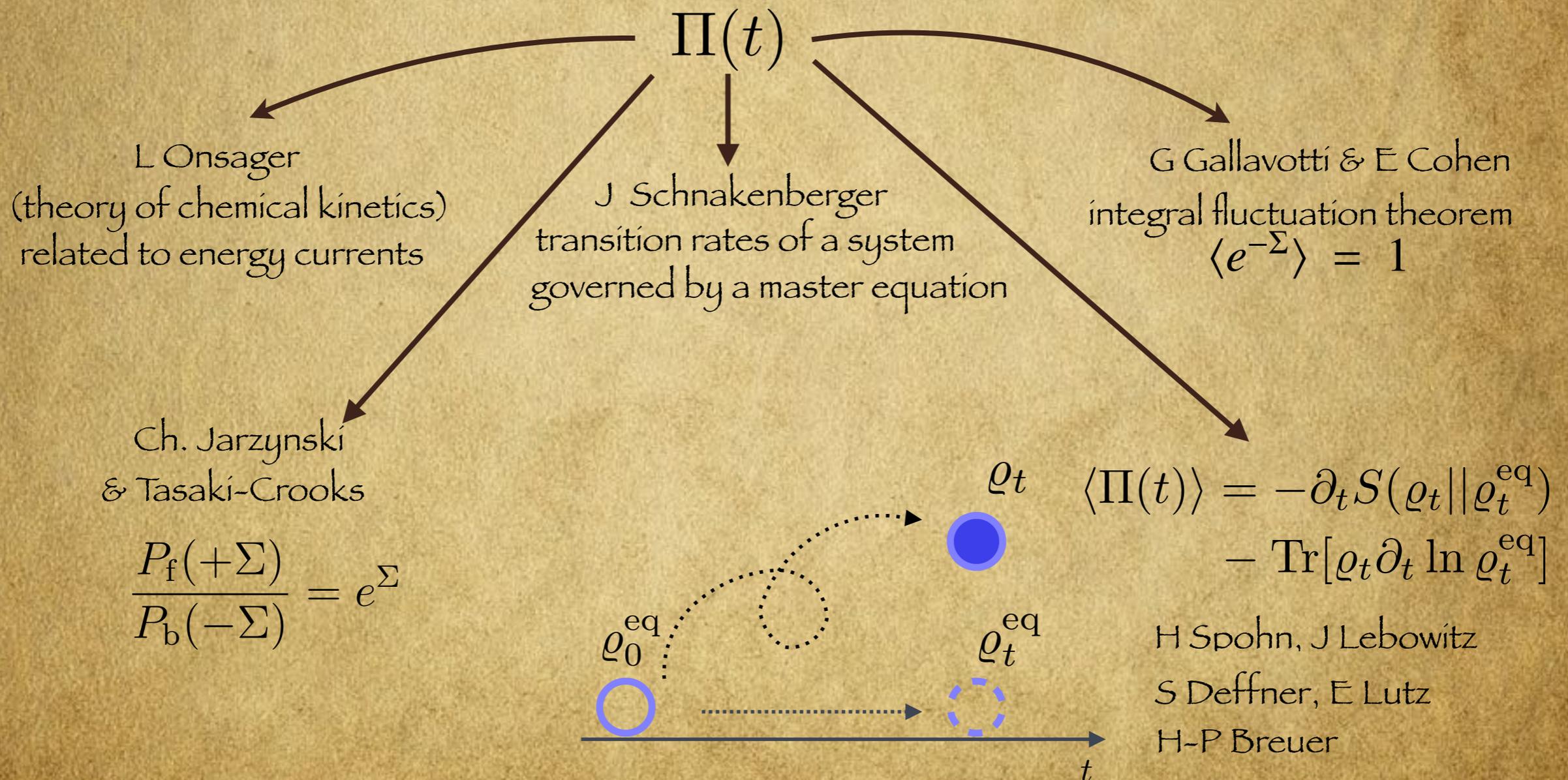


$\Pi(t)$ Entropy production rate

$\Phi(t)$ Entropy flux rate

Π, Φ are not observable. No continuity equation for entropy

No unifying theory of entropy production, to date



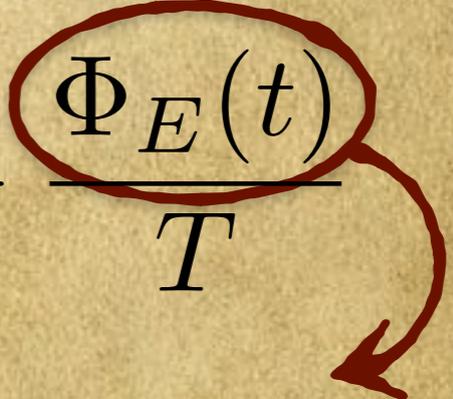
Which entropy to use?

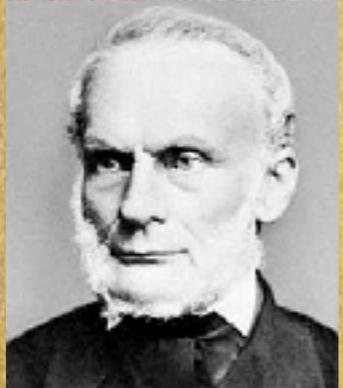
$$\partial_t \rho = -i[H, \rho] + \mathcal{D}(\rho)$$

$$\Pi_{vN}(t) = -\partial_t S_{vN}(\rho | \rho_t^*)$$

Spohn, Lebowitz
 Deffner & Lutz
 Donald, Breuer

For a thermal bath: $\Pi_{vN}(t) = \frac{dS_{vN}}{dt} + \Phi_{vN}(t)$

$$= \frac{dS_{vN}}{dt} + \frac{\Phi_E(t)}{T}$$




Rudolf Clausius

Energy flux from system to environment

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$\Pi(t), \Phi(t)$ diverge as $T \rightarrow 0$
Idealised large heat reservoirs

$$= \frac{dS_{vN}}{dt} + \frac{\Phi_E(t)}{T}$$


Energy flux from system to environment

The Belfast-Sao Paulo proposal

$$S = - \int d^2\alpha W(\alpha) \ln W(\alpha) \quad \text{Entropy of the Wigner function}$$

For Gaussian states:

- coincides with Rényi-2

$$\text{entropy } S_2(\rho) = - \ln \text{Tr} \rho^2$$



can be directly related to free energy difference

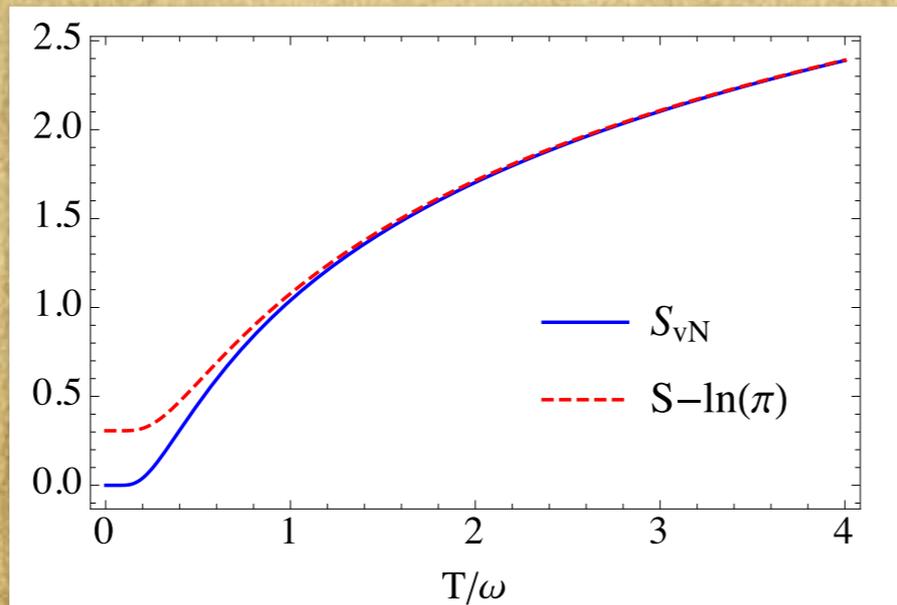
J C Baez, arXiv 1182.2098 (2011)

- satisfies the strong sub-additivity inequality



can be used to construct correlation measures $\mathcal{I}_2(\rho_{a:b})$

- for thermal states:



$$\Pi(t) = -\partial_t S(W(t)|W_{\text{eq}}) \geq 0 \quad (\text{Gaussian states})$$

Why it makes sense

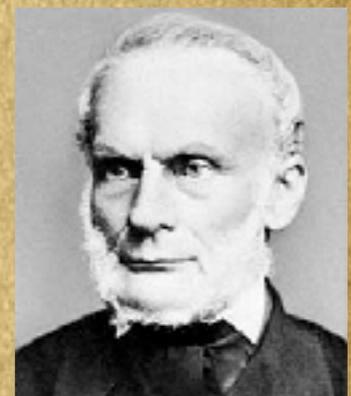
$$\Pi(t) = - \int d^2\alpha \mathcal{D}(W) \ln(W/W_{\text{eq}})$$

For a single harmonic oscillator in a thermal bath:

$$\Phi(t) = \frac{\gamma}{\bar{n} + 1/2} (\langle a^\dagger a \rangle - \bar{n}) \quad \text{Observable!!}$$

$$= \frac{\Phi_E}{\omega(\bar{n} + 1/2)} \simeq \frac{\Phi_E}{T}$$

but no divergence at zero-temperature



Rudolf Clausius

How about
non-Gaussian states?

The formalism makes sense for Gaussian states.

How about non-Gaussian ones?

$$S = \int d\Omega Q(\Omega) \ln Q(\Omega)$$

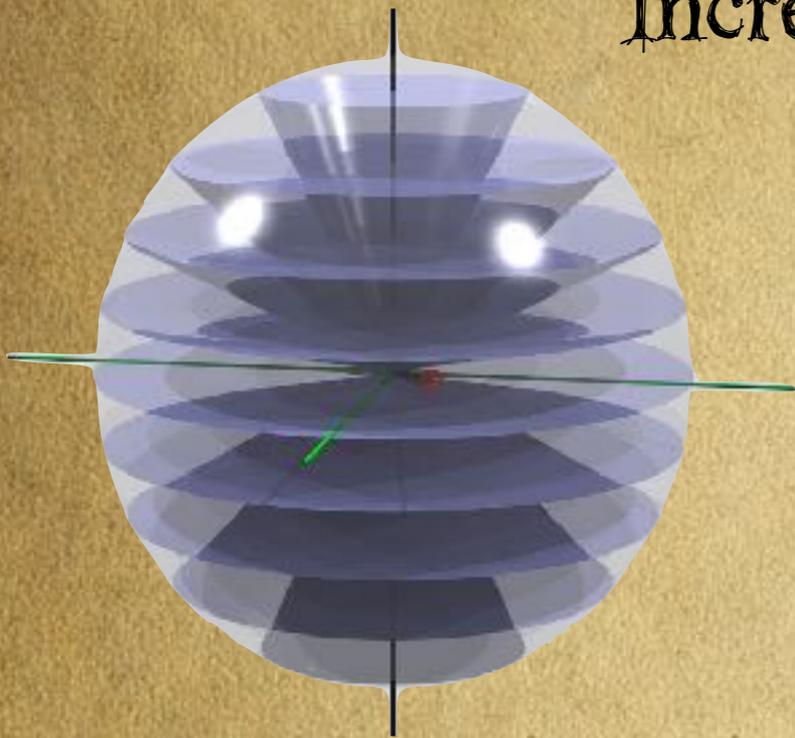
Use Wehrl entropy!

Husimi function
positive even for non-Gaussian states

Incredibly useful for spin dynamics!

Angular momenta!

Incredibly useful for spin dynamics!



$$|\Omega\rangle = e^{-i\phi J_z} e^{-i\theta J_y} e^{-i\psi J_z} |J, J\rangle$$

Spin coherent states

$$Q(\Omega) = \langle \Omega | \rho | \Omega \rangle \quad \text{Husimi function}$$

$$\partial_t \rho = -i[H, \rho] + \mathcal{D}(\rho)$$

$$\partial_t Q = U(Q) + \mathcal{D}(Q)$$

Fokker-Planck equation

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = -\frac{(2J+1)}{4\pi} \int d\Omega \mathcal{D}(Q) \ln Q$$

Dephasing channel

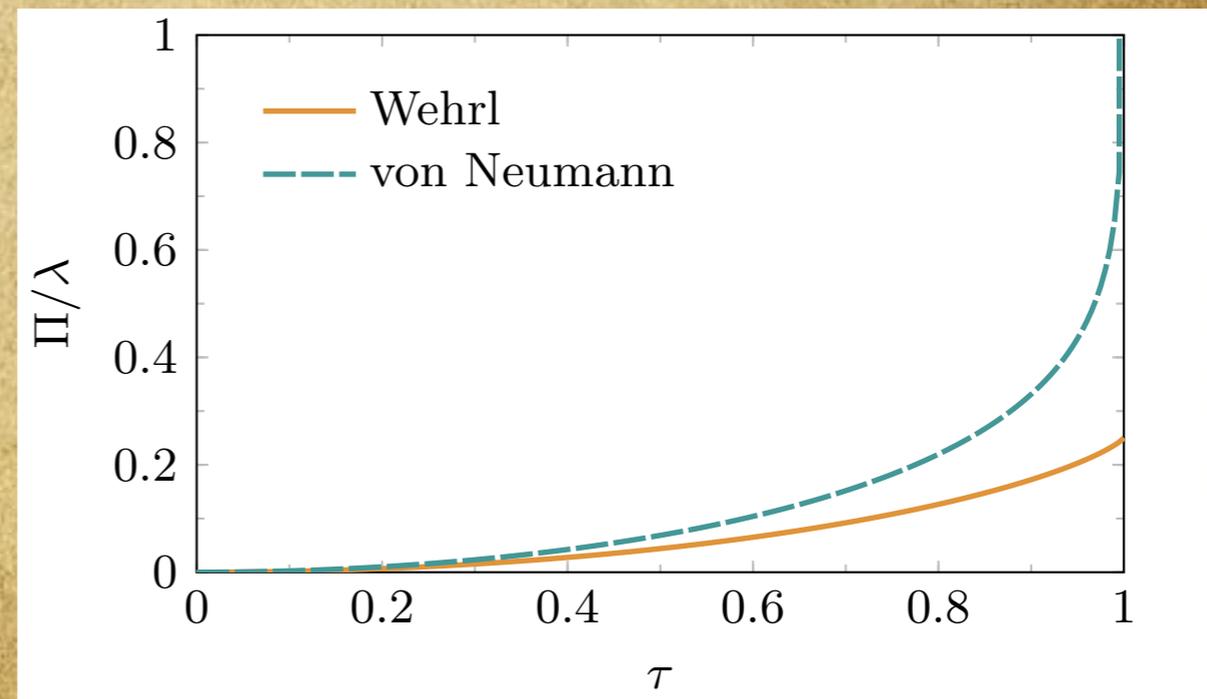
$$\mathcal{D}(\rho) = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \mathcal{J}_z(\mathcal{J}_z(\rho))$$

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \Pi = \frac{\lambda}{2} \left(\frac{2J+1}{4\pi} \right) \int d\Omega \frac{|\mathcal{J}_z(\rho)|^2}{Q} \geq 0$$

No associated entropy flux!

Dephasing as a unital map: entropy only increases

spin-1/2 case



Dephasing channel

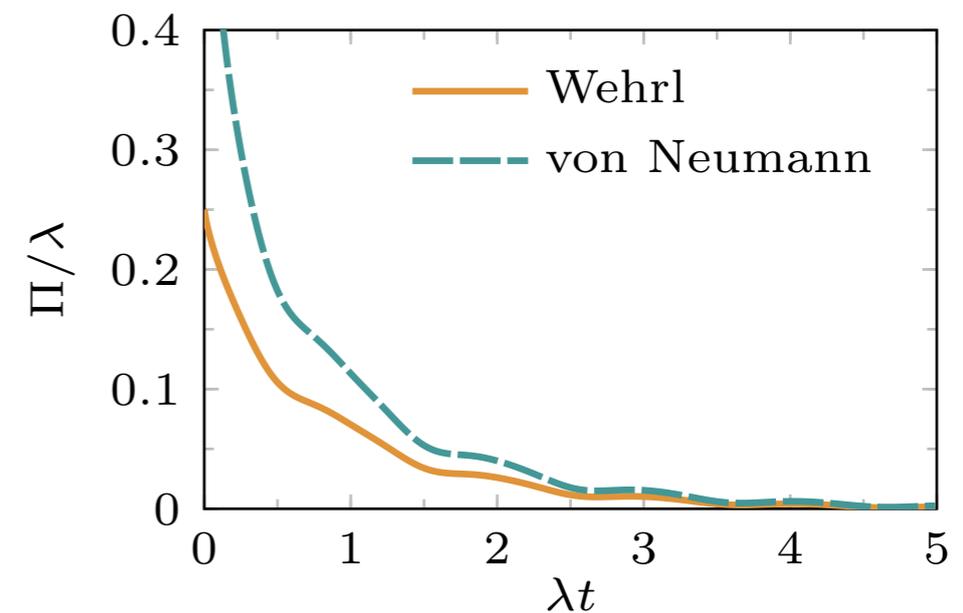
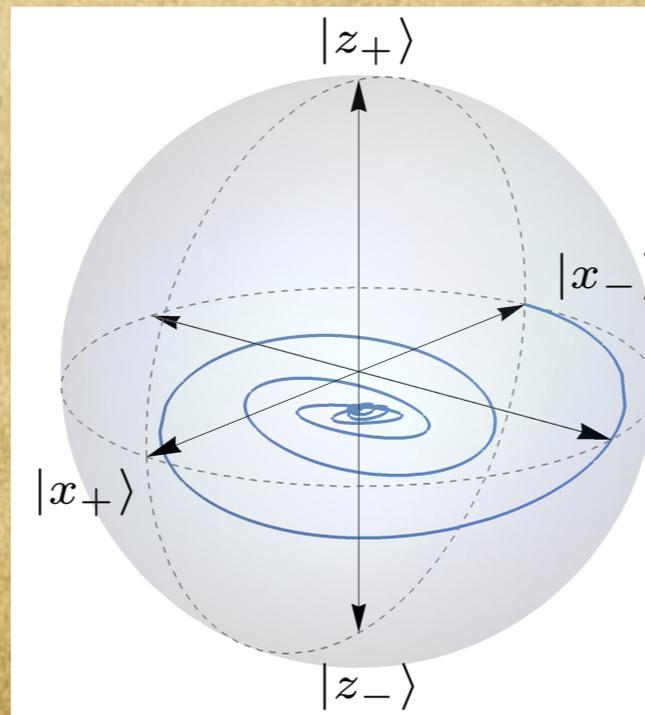
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spin-1/2 case
in a rotating
magnetic field

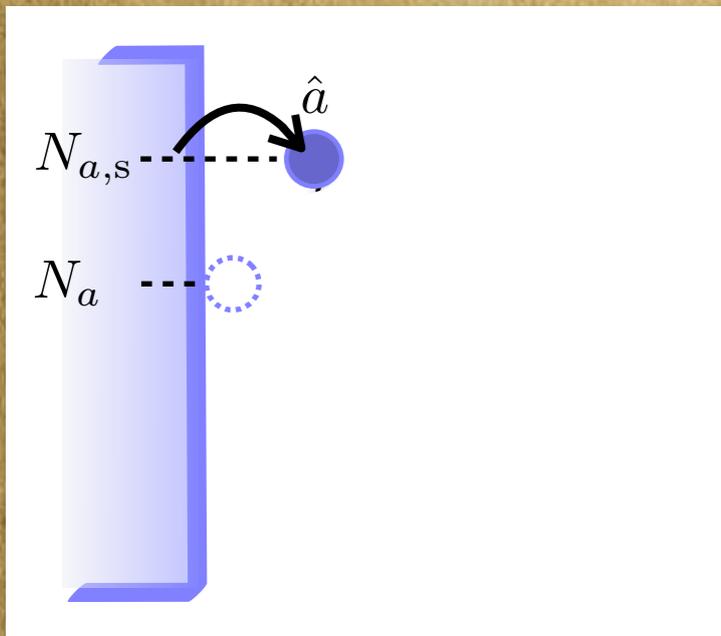


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OBSERVABILITY

Link to observables!



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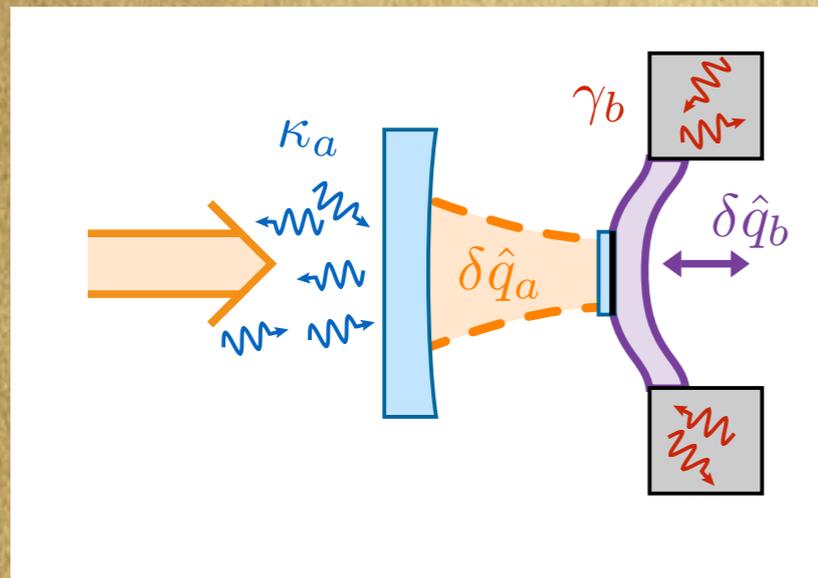
$$\Pi_s = 2\kappa_a \left(\frac{\langle \hat{q}_a^2 \rangle_s + \langle \hat{p}_a^2 \rangle_s}{2N_a + 1} - 1 \right)$$

$$\Pi_s = 2\kappa_a \left(\frac{\langle \hat{q}_a^2 \rangle_s + \langle \hat{p}_a^2 \rangle_s}{2N_a + 1} - 1 \right) + 2\kappa_b \left(\frac{\langle \hat{q}_b^2 \rangle_s + \langle \hat{p}_b^2 \rangle_s}{2N_b + 1} - 1 \right)$$

Experimentally testable (and indeed tested!)

Entropy production in mesoscopics

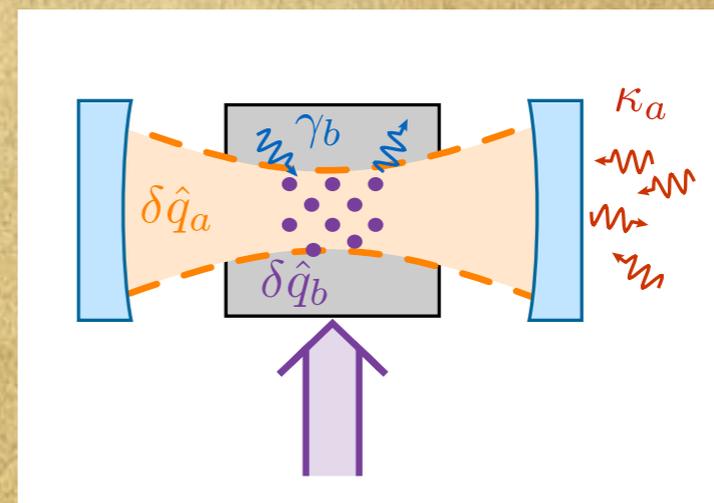
Nano-optomechanics



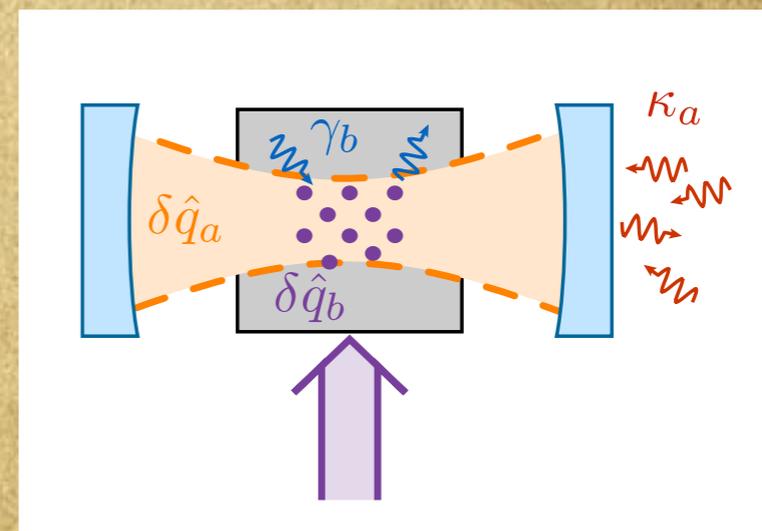
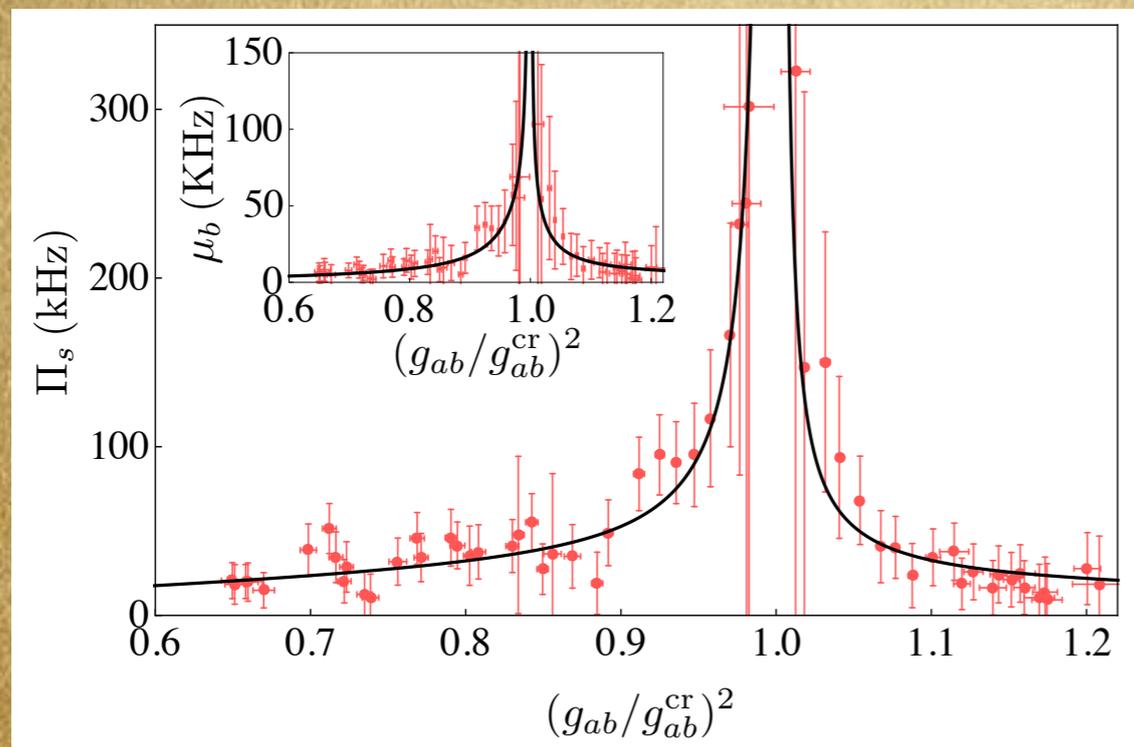
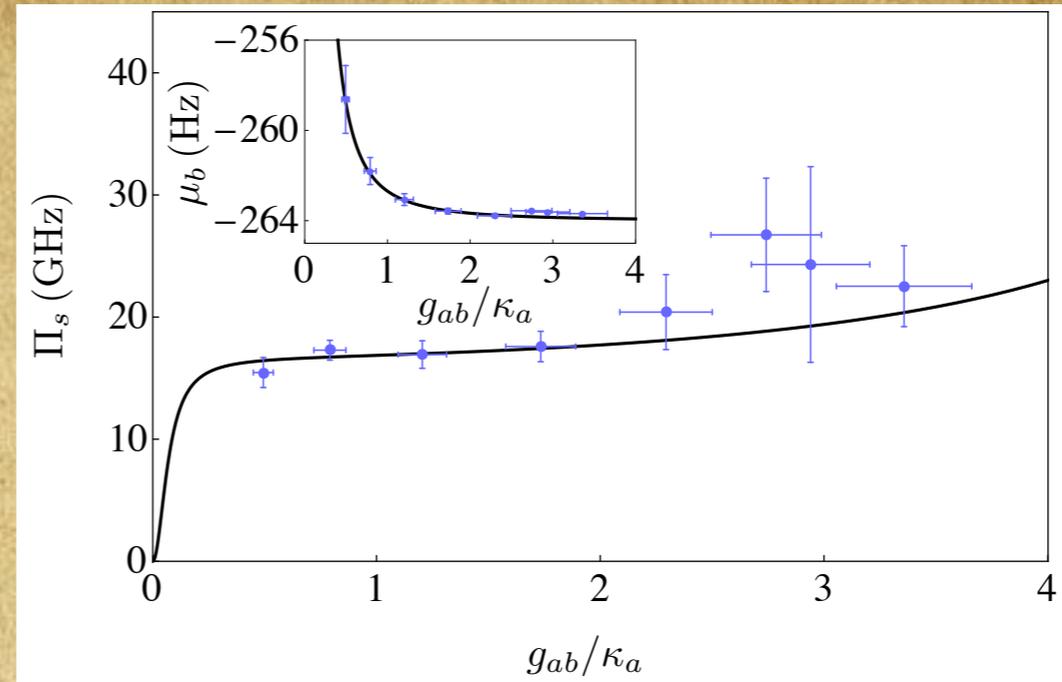
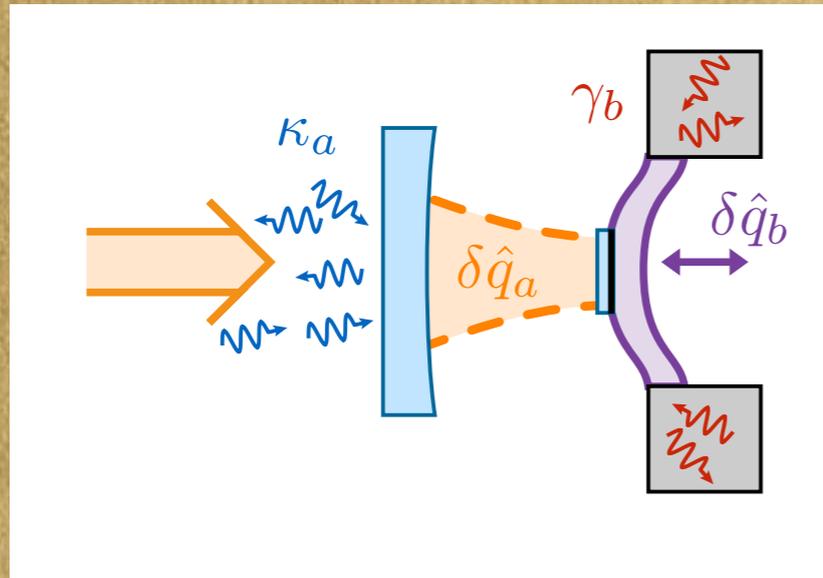
$$H = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} (p^2 + q^2) + \hbar(\omega_c - gq)a^\dagger a + i\hbar\mathcal{E}(a^\dagger e^{-i\omega_0 t} - a e^{i\omega_0 t})$$

Intra-cavity atomic systems

$$\hat{H} = \omega_0 \hat{J}_z + \omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \frac{2\lambda}{\sqrt{N}} (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger) \hat{J}_x$$



Entropy production in mesoscopics



PART

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QUANTUMNESS

What makes this scenario quantum?

$$F(\rho) = F_{\text{eq}} + TS(\rho||\rho_{\text{eq}}) \quad \text{Non-equilibrium free energy}$$

$$F(\rho) \geq F_{\text{eq}} \quad \text{Equilibration implies decrease of free energy}$$

$$\Pi = -\frac{1}{T} \frac{dF(\rho)}{dt} \geq 0 \quad \Pi = 0 \text{ iff } \rho = \rho_{\text{eq}}$$

$$S(\rho||\rho_{\text{eq}}) = \mathcal{S}(p||p_{\text{eq}}) + \mathcal{C}(\rho)$$

diagonal
entropy

relative entropy of
coherence

(Baumgratz, Cramer, Plenio)



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The Belfast crew





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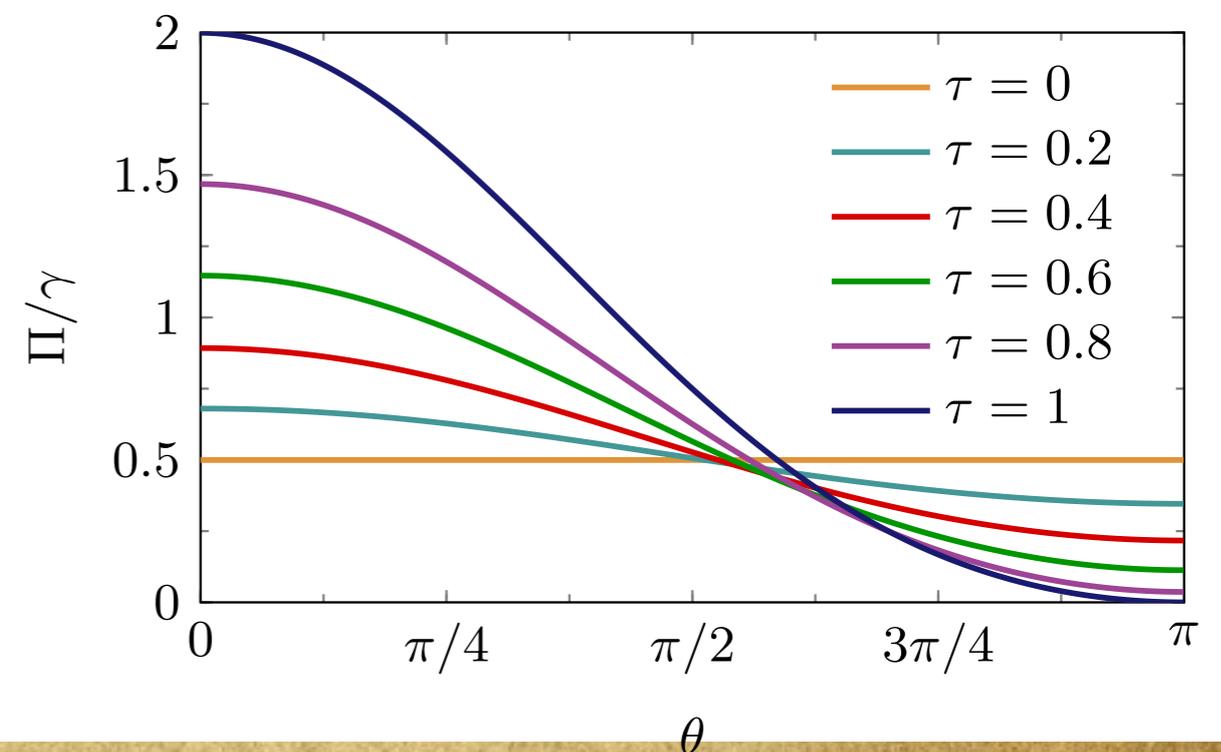
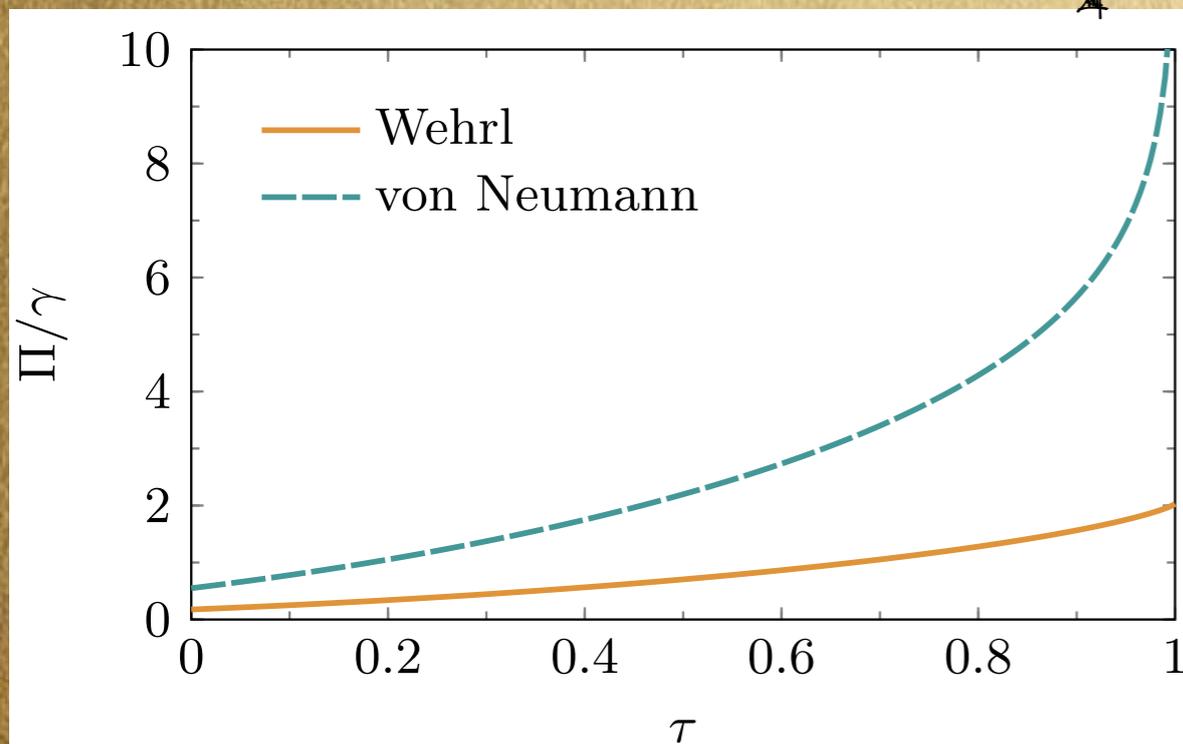


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$$D(\mathcal{Q}) = \frac{\gamma}{2} \left\{ \mathcal{J}_-(f(\mathcal{Q})) - \mathcal{J}_+(f^*(\mathcal{Q})) \right\}$$

$$f(\mathcal{Q}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[2J\mathcal{Q} - \mathcal{J}_z(Q) \right] e^{i\phi} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos \theta - (2\bar{n} + 1) \right] \mathcal{J}_+(\mathcal{Q})$$

spin-1/2 case



while divergence of the von Neumann at $T=0$