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Completely positive reduced dynamics with non-Markovian initial states

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Abstract

Consider an open quantum system *S*, interacting with its environment *E*, and also an ancillary Hilbert space *R*. The reduced dynamics of the system *S* is given by a completely positive map, if the set $\mathbf{S} = \{\rho_{SE}\}$, of possible initial states of the system-environment, can be written as a *steered* set from a tripartite *Markov* state τ_{RSE} . In this paper, we call such steered states ρ_{SE} as *Markovian* states, and study a physical case, in which the reduced dynamics of the system can be completely positive, even when the initial states of the system-environment ρ_{SE} are non-Markovian.

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