

Thm. (Gaston Floquet, 1883) (theory of ODE's)

let $H: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$
 $t \mapsto H(t)$ be continuous, matrix-valued fn
with period $T: H(t+T) = H(t)$
(Hamiltonian)

let $U(t)$ be the fundamental matrix (time-evo operator)
to the first-order linear ODE:

$$i \partial_t \psi(t) = H(t) \psi(t) \quad ; \quad i \partial_t U(t) = H(t) U(t)$$
$$U(0) = \mathbb{1}$$

then:

1) $U(t+T)$ is also a fundamental matrix

2) there exists a non-singular, continuously diff'ble
matrix-valued fn:

$$P: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \quad \text{with period } T: P(t+T) = P(t)$$
$$t \mapsto P(t)$$

and a time-independent matrix $H_F \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$, s.t.

$$U(t) = P(t) \exp(-i t H_F)$$

$$U(T) = P(T) e^{-i T H_F} \quad \begin{matrix} U(0) = \mathbb{1} \\ = \end{matrix} \Rightarrow P(0) = \mathbb{1} e^{-i T H_F}$$

Corollary: stroboscopically, i.e. at $t = \ell T$

$$U(\ell T) = [U(T)]^\ell = e^{-i \ell T H_F}$$

Proof: $i\partial_t U(t+T) = i\dot{U}(t+T) \stackrel{\text{def of } U}{=} H(t+T)U(t+T)$

1)
$$= H(t)U(t+T) \quad \checkmark$$

2) $U(t)$ & $U(t+T)$ are both fund. matrices

\Rightarrow there is a static linear transd. that relates them:

$$\Rightarrow U(t+T) = U(t) \underline{U_F} \quad (**)$$

$$U_F: \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$$

by existence of matrix log: $U_F = e^{-iT H_F}$

set: $P(t) := U(t) e^{+it H_F} \quad (*)$

check periodicity:
$$P(t+T) \stackrel{(*)}{=} U(t+T) e^{+i(t+T) H_F}$$

$$\stackrel{(**)}{=} U(t) \underline{U_F} e^{+i T H_F} e^{+it H_F} = U(t) e^{+it H_F}$$

$$\stackrel{(*)}{=} P(t) \quad \checkmark \quad P(t) \text{ periodic w/ period } T$$

invert (*):
$$U(t) = P(t) e^{-it H_F}$$

Remarks:

1) note: this requires a linear ODE

2) $H(t)$ need not be hermitian

but if $H(t) = H^\dagger(t) \Rightarrow H_F = H_F^\dagger$

- physical meaning: $U(t, 0) = P(t) \underbrace{e^{-i t H_F}}_{= U_{rot}(t)} P^\dagger(0)$

→ looks like the transformation law for evo ops
b/w lab & rot frames!

$P(t)$: rot \longrightarrow lab

⇒ Hamiltonian in rot frame:

$$H_{rot}(t) = P^\dagger(t) H_{lab}(t) P(t) - i P^\dagger(t) \partial_t P(t)$$

Floquet's theorem

↓

$= H_F$

time-indep.

- Floquet's theorem: statement about existence of a ref. frame where dynamics of system is governed by the time-indep Hamiltonian H_F

note: theorem doesn't tell us how to compute H_F
(how to find that special frame)!

- notation:

• effective / Floquet Hamiltonian: H_F, H_{eff}

→ this is NOT the same as H_0

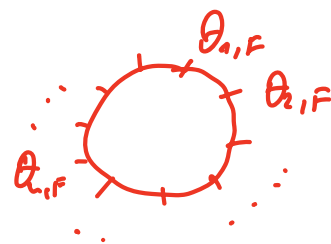
• Floquet unitary: $U_F = U(T, 0) = e^{-i T H_F}$

→ evo op. over one drive cycle / period T

→ eigendecomposition:

$$U_F = \sum_n e^{i \theta_{n,F}} |u_{n,F}\rangle \langle u_{n,F}|$$

← Floquet states



spectrum of U_F : $\{ \theta_{n,F} \}_n$ lives on unit circle

$$\Rightarrow H_F = \sum_n \epsilon_{n,F} |u_F\rangle \langle u_F|, \quad T \epsilon_{n,F} = \theta_{n,F}$$

↑
quasi-energies

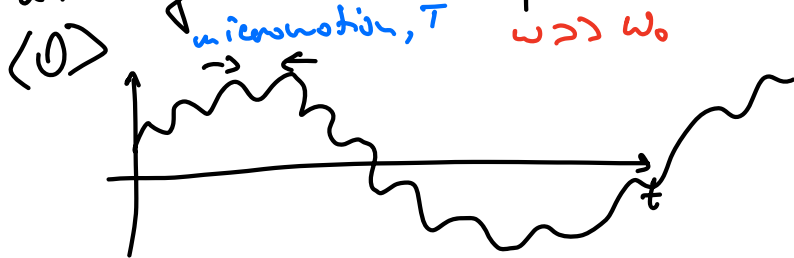
quasi-energies defined mod ω : $e^{iT(\epsilon_{n,F} + l\omega)} = e^{iT\epsilon_{n,F}}$ #127

↳ analogy to quasi-momentum (Bloch's theorem) in systems w/ spatial periodicity

- kick operator: $K(t)$: $P(t) = e^{-iK(t)}$

$$\rightarrow K(t+T) = K(t)$$

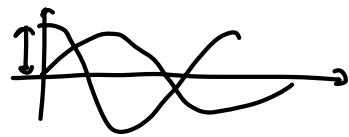
↳ at high drive freq's ω , $K(t)$ governs microscopic



long time scale, governed by H_F

- Floquet gauge: dependence on initial time t_0 (or phase of the drive)

$$U(t, t_0) = e^{-iK_F(t; t_0)} e^{-iH_F[t_0]}$$



→ $H_F[t_0]$ matrix depends on t_0

but $\epsilon_{n,F}$ are indep of t_0 (→ hence t_0 is a gauge)

⇒ $|u_F\rangle$ also depend on t_0

→ kick op. $K_F(t; t_0)$ depends on t_0

How do we compute H_F & K_F in practice?

→ inverse-frequency expansions: $\omega \gg \omega_0$ (or $T \rightarrow 0$) ($\omega \rightarrow \infty$)

1) simple case: step drives (similar for kicked drives)

$$U_F = e^{-i \frac{T}{2} H_1} e^{-i \frac{T}{2} H_0} \stackrel{!}{=} e^{-iT H_{FM}}$$

$$H_{FM} = \frac{i}{T} \log \left(e^{-i \frac{T}{2} H_1} e^{-i \frac{T}{2} H_0} \right)$$

$$= \frac{i}{T} \left(-i \frac{T}{2} (H_0 + H_1) + \left(\frac{-iT}{2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{2} [H_0, H_1] + \left(\frac{-iT}{2} \right)^3 \frac{1}{12} ([H_0, [H_0, H_1]] + [H_1, [H_1, H_0]]) + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (H_0 + H_1) = \mathcal{O}(T^0) := H_{FM}^{(0)}$$

$$- \frac{T}{8} i [H_0, H_1] := H_{FM}^{(1)} = \mathcal{O}(T^1)$$

$$- \frac{T^2}{24} ([H_0, [H_0, H_1]] + [H_1, [H_1, H_0]]) := H_{FM}^{(2)} = \mathcal{O}(T^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{FM} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H_{FM}^{(n)} \quad ; \quad H_{FM}^{(n)} \propto \frac{1}{\omega^n} \propto T^n$$

Baker - Campbell - Hausdorff (BCH) formula

2) generic time-periodic dependence:

Floquet - Magnus expansion:
(F M)

$$\text{LHS} = \mathbb{1} e^{-i \int_0^T dt H(t)} = U_F \stackrel{\text{Floquet}}{=} e^{-i T H_{FM}} = \text{RHS}$$

assume: $H_{FM} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} H_{FM}^{(n)} \sim \frac{1}{\omega}$ $H(t_j) = H_j$

$$\text{LHS} = \mathbb{1} - i \underbrace{\int_0^T dt_1 H_1}_{\sim T} - \underbrace{\int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 H_1 H_2}_{\sim T^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} = \mathbb{1} - iT & \left(\underline{H_{FM}^{(0)}} + \underbrace{H_{FM}^{(1)}} + \underbrace{H_{FM}^{(2)}} + \dots \right) \\ & + \frac{(iT)^2}{2} \left(\underbrace{H_{FM}^{(0)}} + \underbrace{H_{FM}^{(1)}} + \dots \right) \left(\underbrace{H_{FM}^{(0)}} + \underbrace{H_{FM}^{(1)}} + \dots \right) \\ & + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$H_{FM}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt H(t)$ time-averaged Hamiltonian


$$- \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 H_1 H_2 \stackrel{!}{=} -iT H_{FM}^{(1)} - \frac{T^2}{2} (H_{FM}^{(0)})^2$$

$$H_{FM}^{(1)} = \frac{i}{T} \left(\cancel{\frac{T^2}{2}} \left(\cancel{\frac{1}{T}} \int_0^T dt H(t) \right)^2 - \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 H_1 H_2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{i}{T} \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^T dt_2 H_1 H_2 - \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 H_1 H_2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{i}{T} \left(\underline{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^T dt_1 \left(\underbrace{\int_0^{t_1} dt_2}_{\text{green}} + \int_{t_1}^T dt_2 \right) H_1 H_2 - \underline{\underline{1}} \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 H_1 H_2 \right)$$

$$= -\frac{i}{2T} \left(\int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 H_1 H_2 - \int_0^T dt_1 \int_{t_1}^T dt_2 H_1 H_2 \right)$$

$$\stackrel{1 \leftrightarrow 2}{=} \int_0^T dt_2 \int_{t_2}^T dt_1 H_2 H_1$$




$$= \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 H_2 H_1$$

$$H_{FM}^{(1)} = -\frac{i}{2T} \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 [H_1, H_2]$$

similarly:

$$H_{FM}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{3! T i^2} \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_3 [H_1, [H_2, H_3]] + [H_3, [H_2, H_1]]$$

- determined H_{FM} , next comes K_{FM} :

$$\mathcal{T} e^{-i \int_0^t ds H(s)} = e^{-i K_{FM}(t)} e^{-i t H_{FM}}$$

$$K_{FM}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{K_{FM}^{(n)}(t)}{\omega^n}$$

→ using expansion for $H_{FM}^{(n)}$:

$$K_{FM}^{(0)}(t) \equiv 0$$

$$K_{FM}^{(1)}(t) = \int_0^t ds (H(s) - H_{FM}^{(0)}) \sim O(1/\omega)$$

- Floquet-Magnus boundary condition

$$K_{FM}(lT) = 0, \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}$$

3) van Vleck expansion:

$$U(t, 0) = e^{-i K_{VV}(t; t_0)} e^{-i t H_{VV}} e^{+i K_{VV}(t; t_0)}$$

↑
indep. of Floquet gauge

- defining prop's:

(i) H_{UV} indep. of t_0 (all dependence is part of K_{UV})

$$(ii) \int_0^T K_{UV}(t) dt = 0$$

→ want to expand: $H_{UV} = \sum_i H_{UV}^{(i)}$
 $K_{UV}(t) = \sum_i K_{UV}^{(i)}(t)$

recall: Floquet's thm defines a ref. frame where dynamics is generated by H_{UV}

now: construct ref. transf. order by order in $1/\omega$
↳ vV expansion

$$e^{iK} H e^{-iK} = H + i [K, H] - \frac{1}{2} [K, [K, H]] + \dots$$

$$\therefore e^{iK} \partial_t e^{-iK} = -\partial_t K - \frac{i}{2} [K, \partial_t K] + \frac{1}{6} [K, [K, \partial_t K]] + \dots$$

$$H_{UV} = e^{iK_{UV}(t)} H(t) e^{-iK_{UV}(t)} \quad \therefore e^{iK_{UV}(t)} \partial_t e^{-iK_{UV}(t)}$$

$$= H(t) + i [K^{(1)}(t), H(t)] + \mathcal{O}(\omega^{-2})$$

$$- \frac{i}{2} [K^{(1)}(t), \partial_t K^{(1)}(t)] - \partial_t (K^{(1)}(t) + K^{(2)}(t)) + \mathcal{O}(\omega^{-2})$$

time-dep. on RHS has to vanish order by order in $1/\omega$
since LHS is time-indep.

expand: $H(t) = \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} H_{\ell} e^{+i\ell\omega t}$
↑ operator-valued Fourier coeff's.

$$= H_0 + \underbrace{\sum_{l \neq 0} H_l e^{il\omega t} - \partial_t K^{(1)}(t)}_{= 0} - \partial_t K^{(1)}(t)$$

$$+ i [K^{(1)}(t), H(t)] - \frac{i}{2} [K^{(1)}(t), \partial_t K^{(1)}(t)]$$

$$\partial_t K = \sum_{l \neq 0} H_l e^{il\omega t} \Rightarrow K(t) \underset{q}{=} \sum_{l \neq 0} \frac{1}{il\omega} H_l e^{il\omega t}$$

boundary condition
 $\int_0^T K dt = 0 \Leftrightarrow K \text{ has } \nu \text{ } t=0 \text{ term}$

$$= H_0 + i \left[\underbrace{\sum_{l \neq 0} \frac{1}{il\omega} H_l e^{il\omega t}}_{= K^{(1)}(t)}, \underbrace{\sum_m H_m e^{im\omega t}}_{= H(t)} \right]$$

$$- \frac{i}{2} \left[\underbrace{\sum_{l \neq 0} \frac{1}{il\omega} H_l e^{il\omega t}}_{= K^{(1)}(t)}, \underbrace{\sum_{m \neq 0} H_m e^{im\omega t}}_{= \partial_t K^{(1)}(t)} \right]$$

$$- i \partial_t K^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\omega^{-2})$$

$$= H_0 + \frac{1}{\omega} \sum_{l \neq 0} \frac{1}{l} e^{il\omega t} [H_l, H_0]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2\omega} \sum_{l \neq 0} \frac{1}{l} e^{il\omega t} [H_l, H_m]$$

$$- \partial_t K^{(2)}(t) + \mathcal{O}(\omega^{-2})$$

$$= H_0 + \frac{1}{2\omega} \sum_{l \neq 0} \frac{1}{l} [H_l, H_{-l}]$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} &+ \frac{1}{2\omega} \sum_{l \neq 0} \sum_{m \neq -l} \frac{1}{l} e^{-i(l+m)\omega t} [H_l, H_m] \\ &+ \frac{1}{\omega} \sum_{l \neq 0} \frac{1}{l} e^{il\omega t} [H_l, H_0] - i \partial_t K^{(2)}(t) \end{aligned} \right] \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$K_{VV}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{\omega} \sum_{\ell \neq 0} \frac{1}{i\ell} H_{\ell} e^{i\ell\omega t} = \dots = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{T+t} dt' \left(1 + 2 \frac{t-t'}{T}\right) \text{mod } 2 * H(t)$$

$$K^{(2)}(t) = \frac{1}{\omega^2} \sum_{\ell \neq 0} \frac{1}{i\ell^2} [H_{\ell}, H_0] e^{i\ell\omega t} \\ + \frac{1}{2\omega^2} \sum_{\substack{\ell \neq 0 \\ m \neq -\ell}} \frac{1}{\ell(\ell+m)} [H_{\ell}, H_m] e^{i(\ell+m)\omega t}$$

$$H_{VV}^{(0)} = H_0 = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt H(t)$$

$$H_{VV}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2\omega} \sum_{\ell \neq 0} \frac{1}{\ell} [H_{\ell}, H_{-\ell}] = \dots = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 \left(1 - 2 \frac{t_1 - t_2}{T}\right) \text{mod } 2 * [H_1, H_2]$$