

**Optimal Control of Two-level Quantum System
with Energy Cost Functional**

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1 Objectives of the work

- The steering problem for multi-level quantum system minimizing energy cost functional of the control will be discussed.
- The system is subjected to an external field with the minimum energy function.
- The problem will be illustrated in terms of the quantum spin up and spin down states of the Pauli two-level system.

2 Multi-level Quantum Control System

- We consider a forced (controlled) system represented by the state equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = H_A |\psi(t)\rangle + i\hbar B |u(t)\rangle \quad (1)$$

where the system Hamiltonian operators H_A and B are taken to be matrices of dimensions $n \times n$ and $n \times m$ respectively.

- Applying the classical variational principle the state vector of the quantum dynamical system (1) can be represented in the form as

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = U(t - t_0) |\psi(t_0)\rangle + \int_{t_0}^t U(t - \tau) B |u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \quad (2)$$

where U is the unitary matrix operator corresponding to the Hamiltonian H_A .

- We assume that the eigenvalues a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n of the system matrix operator H_A are distinct. Then the adjoint of the unitary operator $U(t)$ assumes the representation

$$U^+(t) = \sum_{r=1}^n e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} a_r t} P_r = \sum_{r=1}^n g_r(t) P_r \quad (3)$$

with $g_r(t) = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} a_r t}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

- Then the system state is given by taking $t_0 = 0$ with initial state $|\psi(\mathbf{0})\rangle$,

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(t)\rangle &= U(t)\{|\psi(\mathbf{0})\rangle + \int_0^t \sum_{r=1}^n g_r(\tau) P_r B|u(\tau)\rangle d\tau\} \\ &= U(t)\{|\psi(\mathbf{0})\rangle + S_0|W(t)\rangle\} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

- where

$$S_0 = [P_1B, P_2B, \dots, P_nB] \quad (5)$$

- and

$$|W(t)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} |w_1(t)\rangle \\ |w_2(t)\rangle \\ \vdots \\ |w_n(t)\rangle \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{with } |w_r(t)\rangle = \int_0^t g_r(\tau) |u(\tau)\rangle d\tau.$$

- **Definition.** The operator S_0 formulated in (5) is defined to be quantum controllability operator of the quantum control system (1).

3 Formulation of the Optimal Control Problem

- We have a quantum mechanical control system described in section-1 in the Hilbert space $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D}^n)$ by the time evolution state vector as

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = H_A |\psi(t)\rangle + i\hbar B |u(t)\rangle \quad (7)$$

- The optimal control problem is to find the controller $|u(t)\rangle \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D}^m)$ which steers the initial state $|\psi(0)\rangle$ to the final state $|\psi(T)\rangle$ in \mathcal{D}^m .

- The controller $|u(t)\rangle \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D}^m)$ minimizes the energy cost functional over the time interval $0 \leq t \leq T$ prescribed by

$$J(u) = \int_0^T \langle u^+(t) | Q | u(t) \rangle dt \quad (8)$$

where Q is a positive definite self-adjoint operator in the respective Hilbert space of the controller $|u(t)\rangle$.

- Without loss of generality the operator Q in (8) of the cost functional may be taken to be unity operator I .
- Because, for a positive definite self-adjoint operator Q there exists a nonsingular operator P such that $Q = P^+P$.

- Now put $|v(t)\rangle = P|u(t)\rangle$.
- Then (8) becomes

$$J = \int_0^T \langle v^+(t)|v(t)\rangle dt = \||v\rangle\|^2 \quad (9)$$

the norm square of the vector $|v(t)\rangle$.

- And in this case, we have to replace $|u(t)\rangle$ by $|v(t)\rangle$ and B by BP^{-1} in (1).
- Hence, in general, we can take the cost functional (8) to be the norm functional as

$$J(u) = \||u(t)\rangle\|^2. \quad (10)$$

4 Outline of solution of the optimal control problem

- The quantum mechanical system has been formulated in an analogous way of a classical finite dimensional multi-variable control system.
- The optimal control of the multi-level quantum system defined in (10) is formulated in the Hilbert space $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D}^m)$ as the minimization problem of a norm functional of the space.
- In this section we shall see that optimal control of the quantum mechanical system exists uniquely in a finite dimensional linear manifold of the Hilbert space $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D}^m)$, the admissible space of the control vector.

- Let $M^2[0, T]$ be the linear manifold generated by the eigenfunctions $\{g_r(t), r = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ of the Hermitian operator H_A of the dynamical system in the Hilbert space $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{D}^n)$.
- We now construct an orthonormal basis of the linear manifold $M^2[0, T]$. Using Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process, let us construct an orthonormal functions $\{\theta_i(t), i = 1, 2 \dots n\}$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_1 &= g_1 \\
 \beta_r &= g_r - \sum_{s=1}^{r-1} \langle g_r, \theta_s \rangle \theta_s
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{11}$$

where $\theta_1 = \frac{\beta_1}{\|\beta_1\|}$ and $\theta_r = \frac{\beta_r}{\|\beta_r\|}$.

- We elaborate the above in a few more steps:

$$\beta_1 = g_1$$

$$\beta_2 = g_2 - \langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1$$

$$\beta_3 = g_3 - \langle g_3, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 - \langle g_3, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2$$

$$\beta_4 = g_4 - \langle g_4, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 - \langle g_4, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 - \langle g_4, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3$$

$$\dots \dots$$

$$\beta_n = g_n - \langle g_n, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 - \langle g_n, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 - \langle g_n, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3 - \dots \langle g_n, \theta_{n-1} \rangle \theta_{n-1}$$

with $\theta_1 = \frac{\beta_1}{\|\beta_1\|}$, $\theta_2 = \frac{\beta_2}{\|\beta_2\|}$, $\theta_3 = \frac{\beta_3}{\|\beta_3\|}$ and so on $\theta_n = \frac{\beta_n}{\|\beta_n\|}$.

We now write the eigenfunctions $g_r(t)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_1 &= \langle g_1, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 \\
 g_2 &= \langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 + \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 \\
 g_3 &= \langle g_3, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 + \langle g_3, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 + \langle g_3, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3 \\
 g_4 &= \langle g_4, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 + \langle g_4, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 + \langle g_4, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3 + \langle g_4, \theta_4 \rangle \theta_4 \\
 &\dots \dots \dots \\
 g_n &= \langle g_n, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 + \langle g_n, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 + \langle g_n, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3 + \\
 &\quad + \langle g_n, \theta_4 \rangle \theta_4 + \dots + \langle g_n, \theta_n \rangle \theta_n
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

- In a compact form we have

$$\begin{aligned}
g_r(t) &= \|\beta_r\|\theta_r(t) + \sum_{s=1}^r \langle g_r, \theta_s \rangle \theta_s(t) = \\
&= \sum_{s=1}^r \langle g_r, \theta_s \rangle \theta_s(t), \quad r = 1, 2, \dots, n.
\end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

- Using the representations of the functions $g_r(t)$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$ given in (13), the adjoint $U^+(t)$ operator defined in (3) can be represented in terms of the orthonormal functions $\theta_r(t)$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$ as

$$U^+(t) = \sum_{r=1}^n A_r \theta_r(t) \tag{14}$$

where

$$A_r = \langle g_r, \theta_r \rangle P_r + \langle g_{r+1}, \theta_r \rangle P_{r+1} + \dots + \langle g_n, \theta_r \rangle P_n \tag{15}$$

- With elaboration we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{r=1}^n g_r(t) P_r \\
= & g_1(t) P_1 + g_2(t) P_2 + g_3(t) P_3 + g_4(t) P_4 + \dots + g_n(t) P_n \\
= & \langle g_1, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 P_1 \\
& + \langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 P_2 + \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 P_2 \\
& + \langle g_3, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 P_3 + \langle g_3, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 P_3 + \langle g_3, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3 P_3 \\
& + \langle g_4, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 P_4 + \langle g_4, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 P_4 + \langle g_4, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3 P_4 \\
& + \langle g_4, \theta_4 \rangle \theta_4 P_4 \\
& \dots \dots \dots \\
& + \langle g_n, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 P_n + \langle g_n, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2 P_n + \langle g_n, \theta_3 \rangle \theta_3 P_n \\
& + \dots \langle g_n, \theta_n \rangle \theta_n P_n \\
= & A_1 \theta_1(t) + A_2 \theta_2(t) + A_3 \theta_3(t) + A_4 \theta_4(t) + \dots + A_n \theta_n(t)
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

- where

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_1 &= \langle g_1, \theta_1 \rangle P_1 + \langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle P_2 + \langle g_3, \theta_1 \rangle P_3 \\
 &\quad + \langle g_4, \theta_1 \rangle P_4 + \dots + \langle g_n, \theta_1 \rangle P_n \\
 A_2 &= \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle P_2 + \langle g_3, \theta_2 \rangle P_3 + \langle g_4, \theta_2 \rangle P_4 \\
 &\quad + \dots + \langle g_n, \theta_2 \rangle P_n
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

and so on.

- Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |w_1(t)\rangle &= \int_0^t g_1(\tau) |u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \\
 &= \int_0^t \langle g_1, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1(\tau) |u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \\
 &= \langle g_1, \theta_1 \rangle \int_0^t \theta_1(\tau) |u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \\
 &= \langle g_1, \theta_1 \rangle I_m |v_1(t)\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- with $|v_1(t)\rangle = \int_0^t \theta_1(\tau)|u(\tau)\rangle d\tau$ where $|u(\tau)\rangle$ is a $m \times 1$ column vector.

- Again,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |w_2(t)\rangle &= \int_0^t g_2(\tau)|u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \\
 &= \int_0^t \{\langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle \theta_1 + \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle \theta_2\} |u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \\
 &= \langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle \int_0^t \theta_1(\tau)|u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \\
 &\quad + \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle \int_0^t \theta_2(\tau)|u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \\
 &= \langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle I_m |v_1(t)\rangle + \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle I_m |v_2(t)\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- Similarly,

$$|w_3(t)\rangle = \langle g_3, \theta_1 \rangle I_m |v_1(t)\rangle + \langle g_3, \theta_2 \rangle I_m |v_2(t)\rangle + \langle g_3, \theta_3 \rangle I_m |v_3(t)\rangle$$

- and

$$\begin{aligned} |w_4(t)\rangle &= \langle g_4, \theta_1 \rangle I_m |v_1(t)\rangle + \langle g_4, \theta_2 \rangle I_m |v_2(t)\rangle \\ &\quad + \langle g_4, \theta_3 \rangle I_m |v_3(t)\rangle + \langle g_4, \theta_4 \rangle I_m |v_4(t)\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- and

$$\begin{aligned} |w_n(t)\rangle &= \langle g_n, \theta_1 \rangle I_m |v_1(t)\rangle + \langle g_n, \theta_2 \rangle I_m |v_2(t)\rangle \\ &\quad + \langle g_n, \theta_3 \rangle I_m |v_3(t)\rangle + \dots + \langle g_n, \theta_n \rangle I_m |v_n(t)\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

- Then the vector function $|W(t)\rangle$ in (6) is transformed into

$$|W(t)\rangle = \Delta|V(t)\rangle \quad (18)$$

- where

$$|V(t)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} |v_1(t)\rangle \\ |v_2(t)\rangle \\ \vdots \\ |v_n(t)\rangle \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

with $|v_r(t)\rangle = \int_0^t \theta_r(\tau)|u(\tau)\rangle d\tau$

and Δ is a non-singular lower triangular matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle g_1, \theta_1 \rangle I_m & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \langle g_2, \theta_1 \rangle I_m & \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle I_m & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \langle g_3, \theta_1 \rangle I_m & \langle g_2, \theta_2 \rangle I_m & \langle g_3, \theta_3 \rangle I_m & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \langle g_n, \theta_1 \rangle I_m & \langle g_n, \theta_2 \rangle I_m & \langle g_n, \theta_3 \rangle I_m & \cdots & \langle g_n, \theta_n \rangle I_m \end{pmatrix}$$

- such that

$$\Delta \Delta^+ = D = [D_{rs}] \quad (20)$$

with D_{rs} are the scalar matrices of order M given by

$$D_{rs} = \text{diag}\{\langle g_r, g_s \rangle, \dots, \langle g_r, g_s \rangle\}$$

- Then using (12) the state vector function $|\psi(t)\rangle$ described by (4) of the dynamical system (7) may also be represented as

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = U(t)\{|\psi(0)\rangle + S|V(t)\rangle\}, \quad (21)$$

- where

$$S = [A_1B, A_2B, \dots, A_nB] \quad (22)$$

with A_r 's defined in (15) and

$$|V(t)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} |v_1(t)\rangle \\ |v_2(t)\rangle \\ \vdots \\ |v_n(t)\rangle \end{bmatrix}, |v_r(t)\rangle = \int_0^t \theta_r(\tau) |u(\tau)\rangle d\tau \quad (23)$$

- Putting the values of A_r 's in (22) from (15) we get the algebraic relation

$$S = S_0 \Delta \tag{24}$$

where S_0 is defined by (5).

- Δ is a nonsingular lower triangular matrix given by

$$\Delta = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{11} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \Delta_{21} & \Delta_{22} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \Delta_{n1} & \Delta_{n2} & \Delta_{n3} & \dots & \Delta_{nm} \end{bmatrix} \tag{25}$$

- Δ_{ir} 's are the scalar matrices of order m expressed as

$$\Delta_{ir} = \text{diag}\{\langle g_i, \theta_r \rangle, \langle g_i, \theta_r \rangle, \dots, \langle g_i, \theta_r \rangle, i \geq r \quad (26)$$

and $\Delta_{ir} = 0$, the null matrix of order m , for $i < r$.

- The basic problem of the dynamical system (7) is to steer the initial state $|\psi(0)\rangle$ to the final state $|\psi(T)\rangle$ over time interval $[0, T]$ where the norm of the controller $|u(t)\rangle$ over the time interval is minimized.

- Putting $t = T$ in (20) the state function is represented as

$$|\psi(T)\rangle = U(T)\{|\psi(0)\rangle + S|V(T)\rangle\}, \quad (27)$$

- and hence we obtain the algebraic system

$$S|V\rangle = |Y\rangle \quad (28)$$

- with

$$|Y\rangle = U^+(T)|\psi(T)\rangle - |\psi(0)\rangle \quad (29)$$

- The solution of the algebraic problem for classical control system of solving (27) with minimum norm $\|V\|$ for which $\min \|V\| = \min \|u\|$, the norm of the controller has been formulated in section-3 of [3].

- We now enunciate the main result in the following theorem:

Theorem - 1 Given the initial state $|\psi(0)\rangle$ and the target state $|\psi(T)\rangle$ in the space \mathcal{F}^n , if the rank of the controllability operator S is n , then there exists a unique optimal vector $|\hat{V}\rangle$ of the algebraic system given by equation (27) with minimum norm and the optimal solution is given by

$$|\hat{V}\rangle = S^+ (SS^+)^{-1} |Y\rangle. \quad (30)$$

- The optimal control $|\hat{u}(t)\rangle$ of the dynamical system (7) minimizing the energy cost functional(10) is expressed in the form [3] given by

$$|\hat{u}(t)\rangle = \sum_{r=1}^n \theta_r(t) |\hat{v}_r(T)\rangle \quad (31)$$

- where the vectors $|\hat{v}_r(T)\rangle \in \mathcal{P}^m$ are given in (22) with

$$|\hat{V}(t)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} |v_1(\hat{t})\rangle \\ |v_2(\hat{t})\rangle \\ \vdots \\ |v_n(\hat{t})\rangle \end{bmatrix} \quad (32)$$

5 Synthesis of the minimum energy control

- So far we have expressed the optimal control of the controllable system having minimum energy in terms of a sequence of orthonormal functions in a finite dimensional subspace of the Hilbert space.
- So there lies a difficulty in solving practical problems.
- The present section is concerned with the synthesis of the optimal control of the dynamical system in some explicit useful form.

- **Lemma-1**

Let the Δ represents the lower triangular matrix defined in section 3 by equation (24). The product $\Delta\Delta^+$ is a nonsingular matrix which is expressed in the form

$$\Delta\Delta^+ = D = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} & \dots & D_{1n} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} & \dots & D_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ D_{n1} & D_{n2} & \dots & D_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

where D_{ij} 's are scalar submatrices of order m given by

$$D_{rs} = \text{diag}\{\langle g_r, g_s \rangle, \dots, \langle g_r, g_s \rangle\}.$$

- **Theorem -2.**

If the rank of controllability matrix S_0 defined by (5) of the system (7) is n , then the optimal control $|\hat{u}(t)\rangle$ minimizing the energy cost functional (10) which transfer the state of the system from the initial state $|\psi(0)\rangle$ to the target state $|\psi(T)\rangle$ can be formulated as

$$|\hat{u}(t)\rangle = K(t)|Y\rangle, \quad |Y\rangle = U^{-1}(T)|\psi(T)\rangle - |\psi(0)\rangle, \quad 0 \leq t \leq T \quad (33)$$

where $U^+(T)$ is given by (3) for $t = T$ and $K(t)$ is an $m \times n$ matrix function of $t(0 \leq t \leq T)$ written as

$$K(t) = F(t)S_0^+(S_0DS_0^+)^{-1}. \quad (34)$$

- $F(t) = [I_m(g_1), I_m(g_2), \dots, I_m(g_n)]$,
- and $I_m(g_r)$ is a scalar matrix as

$$I_m(g_r) = \begin{bmatrix} g_r(t) & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & g_r(t) & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & g_r(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

6 Electron spin: Quantum two-state system

- The spin state of an electron is represented on \mathcal{D}^2 in the basis formed by the eigenstates of the spin operator

$$S_x = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (35)$$

- The control system is defined by

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\psi(t)\rangle = S_x |\psi(t)\rangle + i\hbar\alpha |u(t)\rangle \quad (36)$$

- The eigenvalues of S_x are $\frac{\hbar}{2}$ and $-\frac{\hbar}{2}$.

- The eigenvectors are given by $|\uparrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and

$$|\downarrow\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- The projection operators, for $a_1 = \frac{\hbar}{2}$ and $a_2 = \frac{\hbar}{2}$, are $P_{|\uparrow\rangle} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $P_{|\downarrow\rangle} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ respectively.
- The adjoint of unitary operator $U(t)$ is

$$U^\dagger(t) = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} S_x t} = e^{ia_1 t} P_{|\uparrow\rangle} + e^{ia_2 t} P_{|\downarrow\rangle}.$$

- The optical control of the system can then be synthesized using the explicit formula

$$|\hat{u}(t)\rangle = K(t)|Y\rangle \quad (37)$$

- with

$$K(t) = F(t)S_0^+(S_0DS_0^+)^{-1} \quad (38)$$

- and

$$|Y\rangle = U^{-1}(T)|\psi(T)\rangle - |\psi(0)\rangle \quad (39)$$

- Now

$$S_0 = [P_1B, P_2B] = \alpha[P_1, P_2] \quad (40)$$

- Then

$$S_0^+ = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (41)$$

- Also

$$F(t) = [g_1(t)I, g_2(t)I] \quad (42)$$

- Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(t)S_0^+ &= [g_1(t)I, g_2(t)I]\alpha \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \alpha[g_1(t)IP_1 + g_2(t)IP_2] \\ &= \alpha[g_1(t)P_1 + g_2(t)P_2] \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

- Again

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} D_{11} & D_{12} \\ D_{21} & D_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad (44)$$

- where

$$D_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle g_1 g_1 \rangle & 0 \\ 0 & \langle g_1 g_1 \rangle \end{bmatrix} = \langle g_1(t) g_1(t) \rangle I \quad (45)$$

- and similarly $D_{12} = \langle g_1(t) g_2(t) \rangle I$, $D_{21} = \langle g_2(t) g_1(t) \rangle I$,
 $D_{22} = \langle g_2(t) g_2(t) \rangle I$.

- We then at once obtain

$$S_0 D S_0^+ = \alpha^2 (T P_1 + T P_2) = \alpha^2 T (P_1 + P_2) = \alpha^2 T. \quad (46)$$

- Now

$$\begin{aligned} K(t) &= F(t) S_0^+ (S_0 D S_0^+)^{-1} \\ &= \alpha [g_1(t) P_1 + g_2(t) P_2] \frac{1}{\alpha^2 T} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha T} [g_1(t) P_1 + g_2(t) P_2] \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

- In special case, let us try to find $|\hat{u}(t)\rangle$ for which the system is transferred from $|\psi(0)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ to the state $|\psi(T)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |Y\rangle \\
 &= \left(e^{\frac{iT}{2}} P_1 + e^{-\frac{iT}{2}} P_1 \right) \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] - \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \left(\frac{e^{\frac{iT}{2}}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{e^{-\frac{iT}{2}}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{e^{\frac{-iT}{2}}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] - \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \left(\frac{e^{\frac{iT}{2}}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{e^{-\frac{iT}{2}}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] - \left[\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{48}$$

- Thus the optimal control of the two-level Pauli spin system minimizing the system is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
|\hat{u}(t)\rangle &= \frac{1}{\alpha T} [g_1(t)P_1 + g_2(t)P_2] |Y\rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{\alpha T} \left(\frac{e^{it}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{e^{-it}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\alpha T} \left(\frac{e^{iT}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{e^{-iT}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) - \left[\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ e^{\frac{i(t+T)}{2}} |\uparrow\rangle + e^{\frac{-i(t+T)}{2}} |\downarrow\rangle \right\} - |\psi(0)\rangle
\end{aligned} \tag{49}$$

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