

Interaction of a three-level atom with a single-mode field in a two photon resonant cavity

P.K.Das

Physics and Applied Mathematics Unit

Indian Statistical Institute

203,B.T.Road,Kolkata-700108

e-mail:daspk@isical.ac.in

1 Objective

- We extend Jaynes - Cummings model by adding a further atomic level to support a second resonance and cooperative effects in multi-atom systems.
- A successive passage of a three-level atom in the V configuration interacting with one quantized mode of electromagnetic field in a cavity is considered to study atomic inversion and entropy evolution of the state.

2 Basic Model

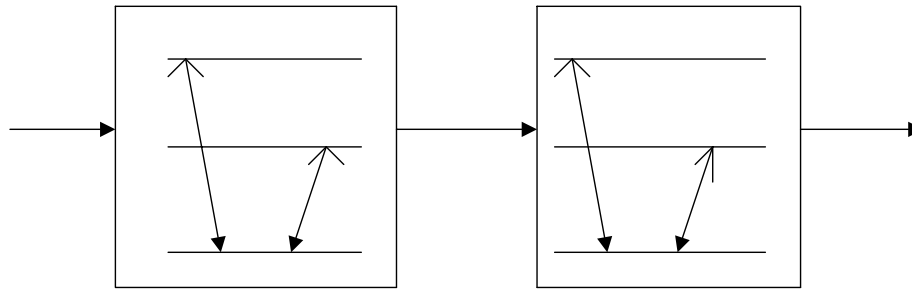


Figure 1: A successive passage of a three-level atom in the V configuration interacting with one mode of electromagnetic field.

3 Time Evolution of the State

- We consider a V-type three-level atomic system which consists of two allowed transitions

$$|e\rangle \leftrightarrow |g\rangle \text{ and } |i\rangle \leftrightarrow |g\rangle$$

where $|e\rangle$, $|i\rangle$ and $|g\rangle$ are excited state, intermediate state and ground state respectively.

- Each interaction has same mode of the field.
- In the rotating-wave approximation, its Hamiltonian is described by

$$H = H_0 + H_1, \tag{1}$$

- where

$$H_0 = \omega_e |e\rangle\langle e| + \omega_i |i\rangle\langle i| + \omega_g |g\rangle\langle g| + \gamma a^\dagger a \quad (\hbar = 1), \quad (2)$$

- and

$$H_1 = g_1 a |e\rangle\langle g| + g_1 a^\dagger |g\rangle\langle e| + g_2 a |i\rangle\langle g| + g_2 a^\dagger |g\rangle\langle i|. \quad (3)$$

- Here a^\dagger and a are, respectively, the creation and annihilation operators for the field of frequency γ .
- $|m\rangle$ ($m = e, i, g$) are the eigenstates of the atom with eigenfrequencies ω_m ($m = e, i, g$), and g_r ($r = 1, 2$) are the corresponding coupling constants.
- We assume the coupling constants g_1 and g_2 to be real throughout the work.

- In the interaction picture, the state vector of this atom-field coupling system at time t can be described by

$$|\psi^I(t)\rangle = \sum_{n,n} (C_{e,n,n}|e, n, n\rangle + C_{i,n,n}|i, n, n\rangle + C_{g,n,n}|g, n, n\rangle). \quad (4)$$

- To get the interaction Hamiltonian we have

$$\begin{aligned}
V &= e^{jH_0t} H_1 e^{-jH_0t} \\
&= H_1 + jt[H_0, H_1] + \frac{(jt)^2}{2!} [H_0, [H_0, H_1]] \\
&\quad + \frac{(jt)^3}{3!} [H_0, [H_0, [H_0, H_1]]] + \dots \\
&= g_1 a|e\rangle\langle g| e^{jt(\omega_e - \omega_g - \gamma)} + g_1 a^\dagger |g\rangle\langle e| e^{-jt(\omega_e - \omega_g - \gamma)} + \\
&\quad g_2 a|i\rangle\langle g| e^{jt(\omega_i - \omega_g - \gamma)} + g_2 a^\dagger |g\rangle\langle i| e^{-jt(\omega_i - \omega_g - \gamma)}
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

- We assume here

$$\Delta \equiv \omega_e - \omega_g - \gamma = \omega_i - \omega_g - \gamma.$$

- Then

$$V = g_1 a |e\rangle \langle g| e^{j\Delta t} + g_1 a^\dagger |g\rangle \langle e| e^{-j\Delta t} + g_2 a |i\rangle \langle g| e^{j\Delta t} + g_2 a^\dagger |g\rangle \langle i| e^{-j\Delta t} \quad (6)$$

- Substituting equation(4) in the Schrödinger equation in the interaction picture

$$j \frac{d}{dt} |\psi^I(t)\rangle = V |\psi^I(t)\rangle, \quad (7)$$

- we get from (4), (6) and (7)

$$\dot{C}_{e,n-1,n} = -j g_1 \sqrt{n} e^{j\Delta t} C_{g,n,n} \quad (8)$$

$$\dot{C}_{i,n,n-1} = -j g_2 \sqrt{n} e^{j\Delta t} C_{g,n,n} \quad (9)$$

$$\dot{C}_{g,n,n} = -j (g_1 \sqrt{n} C_{e,n-1,n} + g_2 \sqrt{n} C_{i,n,n-1}) e^{-j\Delta t} \quad (10)$$

- If the atom is initially in the state $|\psi_A(0)\rangle$,

$$|\psi_A(0)\rangle = \cos \frac{\varphi}{2} |e\rangle + \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} e^{-i\psi} |i\rangle \quad (11)$$

which means that the atom is in the coherent superposition state of its eigenkets $|e\rangle$ and $|i\rangle$,

- and the field is in the superposition of the photon number states at time $t = 0$ [2]

$$|\psi_f(0)\rangle = \sum_{n,n} F_{n,n} |n, n\rangle, \quad (12)$$

where $\sum_{n,n} |F_{n,n}|^2 = 1$,

- then the state vector of the total system at $t = 0$ can be described as

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = \sum_{n,n} \left[\cos \frac{\varphi}{2} F_{n-1,n} |e, n-1, n\rangle + \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} e^{-j\psi} F_{n,n-1} |i, n, n-1\rangle \right] \quad (13)$$

- We now assume that

$$\varphi = 90^\circ \text{ and } \psi = 0.$$

Also

$$F_{n,n} \approx F_{n-1,n} \approx F_{n,n-1}.$$

- Then the state vector (13) of the total system at $t = 0$ reduces to

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = \sum_{n,n} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{n,n} (|e, n, n\rangle + |i, n, n\rangle) \quad (14)$$

- On solving equations (8), (9) and (10) with the initial condition (14) we get

$$C_{g,n,n}(t) = -2B_1 j e^{-j\frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t \quad (15)$$

- where

$$B_1 = \frac{\sqrt{n} F_{n,n} (g + g_2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta} \quad (16)$$

and $\beta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\Delta^2 + 4n(g_1^2 + g_2^2)}$.

- Also

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{e,n-1,n}(t) &= -g_1 \sqrt{n} B_1 \left[\frac{e^{j(\Delta/2+\beta)t} - 1}{(\Delta/2+\beta)} - \frac{e^{j(\Delta/2-\beta)t} - 1}{(\Delta/2-\beta)} \right] + \cos \frac{\varphi}{2} F_{n-1,n} \\
&\approx -g_1 \sqrt{n} B_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\frac{\Delta t}{2}} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{n,n}
\end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

- and

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{i,n,n-1}(t) &= -g_2 \sqrt{n} B_1 \left[\frac{e^{j(\Delta/2+\beta)t} - 1}{(\Delta/2+\beta)} - \frac{e^{j(\Delta/2-\beta)t} - 1}{(\Delta/2-\beta)} \right] \\
&\quad + \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} e^{-j\psi} F_{n,n-1} \\
&\approx -g_2 \sqrt{n} B_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\frac{\Delta t}{2}} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F_{n,n}
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

- Substituting the values of $C_{g,n,n}(t)$, $C_{e,n-1,n}(t)$ and $C_{i,n,n-1}(t)$ from (15), (17) and (18) respectively in equation (4) we can obtain the state vector of the system at time t in the **interaction picture**.
- If the radiation field is initially in the coherent state, namely,

$$F_n = e^{-\bar{n}/2} \frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}}, \quad (19)$$

where

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\bar{n}} e^{j\zeta} \quad (20)$$

- and \bar{n} is the mean photon number of the field, and ζ is the phase angle of α .

- For $\bar{n} \gg 1$, then the photon number of the field can be well approximated by Gaussian distribution

$$F_n \approx (2\pi\bar{n})^{-1/4} e^{in\zeta} . e^{-\frac{n^2}{4\bar{n}}} \quad (21)$$

- Now

$$\sqrt{n} = \sqrt{\bar{n} + (n - \bar{n})} = \sqrt{\bar{n}} \sqrt{1 + \frac{n - \bar{n}}{\bar{n}}} \approx \sqrt{\bar{n}}. \quad (22)$$

- Again n large implies \bar{n} is also large.

- Now after the interaction with the field if we detect the atom in the ground state $|g\rangle$ after time t_1 then effectively atom absorbs no photon but projects the cavity field into the state

$$|\psi_1\rangle = \frac{1}{\eta} \sum_n C_{g,n,n}(t_1) |n\rangle \quad (23)$$

- where

$$C_{g,n,n}(t_1) = -2B_1 j e^{-j\frac{\Delta t_1}{2}} \sin \beta t_1 \quad (24)$$

with B_1 given by (16).

- **The atom collapses in the ground state $|g\rangle$ with maximum fidelity[3] are shown numerically in the following table for different values of gt_1 and \bar{n} :**

\bar{n}	gt_1	Fidelity	\bar{n}	gt_1	Fidelity
01	2.17475	0.455027	12	0.111629	0.000066556
02	0.485741	0.907061	13	0.111267	6.35892×10^{-09}
03	0.346932	0.94599	14	0.1	2.68304×10^{-14}
04	0.267409	0.966372	15	0.1	5.9437×10^{-21}
05	0.64969	0.830403	16	0.1	6.04874×10^{-29}
06	0.54566	0.872593	17	0.1	6.04874×10^{-38}
07	0.156686	0.98797	18	0.1	3.32933×10^{-48}
08	0.137503	0.990682	19	0.1	1.35062×10^{-59}
09	0.122792	0.975713	20	0.1	4.2914×10^{-72}
10	0.344388	0.514773	21	0.1	1.12532×10^{-85}
11	0.112437	0.028343	22	0.1	2.54818×10^{-100}

(25)

- If we now consider the passage of a second identical atom through the cavity[6, 7], then the field inside the cavity becomes

$$|\psi_2(t)\rangle = \sum_n (D_{e,n,n}|e, n, n\rangle + D_{i,n,n}|i, n, n\rangle + D_{g,n,n}|g, n, n\rangle) \quad (26)$$

- As in equation (6) we get the interaction Hamiltonian V

$$V = g_1 a|e\rangle\langle g|e^{j\Delta t} + g_1 a^\dagger|g\rangle\langle e|e^{-j\Delta t} + g_2 a|i\rangle\langle g|e^{j\Delta t} + g_2 a^\dagger|g\rangle\langle i|e^{-j\Delta t} \quad (27)$$

- Substituting equation(26) in the Schrödinger equation in the interaction picture

$$j \frac{d}{dt} |\psi^I(t)\rangle = V |\psi^I(t)\rangle, \quad (28)$$

- we get from (26), (27) and (28)

$$\dot{D}_{e,n-1,n} = -jg_1\sqrt{n}e^{j\Delta t}D_{g,n,n} \quad (29)$$

$$\dot{D}_{i,n,n-1} = -jg_2\sqrt{n}e^{j\Delta t}D_{g,n,n} \quad (30)$$

$$\dot{D}_{g,n,n} = -j(g_1\sqrt{n}D_{e,n-1,n} + g_2\sqrt{n}D_{i,n,n-1})e^{-j\Delta t} \quad (31)$$

- If the atom is initially in the state $|\psi_A(0)\rangle$,

$$|\psi_A(0)\rangle = \cos \frac{\varphi}{2} |e\rangle + \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} e^{-i\psi} |i\rangle \quad (32)$$

- which means that the atom is in the coherent superposition state of its eigenkets $|e\rangle$ and $|i\rangle$,
- and the field is in the superposition of the photon number states at time $t = 0$

$$|\psi_f(0)\rangle = \frac{1}{\eta} \sum_{n,n} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) |n, n\rangle, \quad (33)$$

where $\sum_{n,n} |C_{g,n,n}|^2 = \eta^2$,

- then the state vector of the total system at $t = 0$ can be described as

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = \frac{1}{\eta} \sum_{n,n} [\cos \frac{\varphi}{2} C_{g,n-1,n}(t_1) |e, n-1, n\rangle + \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} e^{-j\psi} C_{g,n,n-1}(t_1) |i, n, n-1\rangle] \quad (34)$$

- We now assume that

$$\varphi = 90^\circ \text{ and } \psi = 0.$$

- Also

$$F_{n,n} \approx F_{n-1,n} \approx F_{n,n-1}.$$

- Then the state vector (34) of the total system at $t = 0$ reduces to

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = \sum_{n,n} \frac{1}{\eta\sqrt{2}} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) (|e, n, n\rangle + |i, n, n\rangle) \quad (35)$$

- On solving (29), (30) and (31) with the initial condition (35) we get

$$\begin{aligned} D_{g,n,n}(t) &= K_1 \{e^{-j(\Delta/2+\beta)t} - e^{-j(\Delta/2-\beta)t}\} \\ &= -2K_1 j e^{-j\frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

- with

$$K_1 = \frac{\sqrt{n}g_1 C_{g,n-1,n}(t_1) + \sqrt{n}g_2 C_{g,n,n-1}(t_1)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta\eta} \quad (37)$$

- From (36) we now have

$$\begin{aligned}
& D_{g,n,n}(t) \\
= & -2K_1 j e^{-j \frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t \\
= & -2 \frac{\sqrt{n} g_1 C_{g,n-1,n}(t_1) + \sqrt{n} g_2 C_{g,n,n-1}(t_1)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta\eta} j e^{-j \frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t \\
= & -\left(\frac{\sqrt{n} g_1 C_{g,n-1,n}(t_1)}{\sqrt{2}\beta\eta} + \frac{\sqrt{n} g_2 C_{g,n,n-1}(t_1)}{\sqrt{2}\beta\eta} \right) j e^{-j \frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t \\
= & -\left[\frac{\sqrt{n} g_1}{\sqrt{2}\beta\eta} \left\{ -\frac{\sqrt{n} F_{n,n}(g_1+g_2)}{\sqrt{2}\beta} j e^{-j \frac{\Delta t_1}{2}} \sin \beta t_1 \right\} + \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{\sqrt{n} g_2}{\sqrt{2}\beta\eta} \left\{ -\frac{\sqrt{n} F_{n,n}(g_1+g_2)}{\sqrt{2}\beta} j e^{-j \frac{\Delta t_1}{2}} \sin \beta t_1 \right\} \right] j e^{-j \frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t \\
= & -\left[\frac{n g_1}{2\beta^2 \eta} F_{n,n}(g_1 + g_2) \sin \beta t_1 \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{n g_2}{2\beta^2 \eta} F_{n,n}(g_1 + g_2) \sin \beta t_1 \right] e^{-j \frac{\Delta t_1}{2}} e^{-j \frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t_1 \sin \beta t \\
= & -\left[\frac{n F_{n,n}}{2\beta^2 \eta} (g_1 + g_2)^2 \right] e^{-j \frac{\Delta t_1}{2}} e^{-j \frac{\Delta t}{2}} \sin \beta t_1 \sin \beta t
\end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

- From (29) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{D}_{e,n-1,n}(t) &= -jg_1\sqrt{n}e^{j\Delta t}D_{g,n,n} \\
&= -jg_1\sqrt{n}K_1\{e^{j(\Delta/2-\beta)t} - e^{j(\Delta/2+\beta)t}\}
\end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

- Integrating with respect to t we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&D_{e,n-1,n}(t) - D_{e,n-1,n}(0) \\
&= g_1\sqrt{n}K_1\left\{\frac{e^{j\Delta t/2}[j\Delta\sin\beta t - 2\beta\cos\beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2}\right\}
\end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

- Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{e,n-1,n}(t) &= g_1 \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\Delta t/2} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\eta} \cos \frac{\varphi}{2} C_{g,n-1,n}(t_1) \\
&\approx g_1 \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\Delta t/2} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\eta} C_{g,n,n}(t_1)
\end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

- From (30) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{D}_{i,n,n-1} &= -jg_2 \sqrt{n} e^{j\Delta t} D_{g,n,n} \\
&= -jg_2 \sqrt{n} K_1 \{ e^{j(\Delta/2 - \beta)t} - e^{j(\Delta/2 + \beta)t} \}
\end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

- Integrating with respect to t we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& D_{i,n,n-1}(t) - D_{i,n,n-1}(0) \\
= & g_2 \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\Delta t/2} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\}
\end{aligned} \tag{43}$$

- Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{i,n,n-1}(t) &= g_2 \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\Delta t/2} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\eta} \sin \frac{\varphi}{2} e^{-j\psi} C_{g,n,n-1}(t_1) \\
&\approx g_2 \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\Delta t/2} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\eta} C_{g,n,n}(t_1)
\end{aligned} \tag{44}$$

- Now, we take $\Delta = 0$, $g_1 = g_2 = g$ to get

$$\beta^2 = \frac{\Delta^2}{4} + (g_1^2 + g_2^2)n = 2g^2n \quad (45)$$

- and

$$\begin{aligned} D_{g,n,n}(t) &= -\left[\frac{nF_{n,n}}{2\beta^2\eta}(g_1 + g_2)^2\right]e^{-j\frac{\Delta t_1}{2}}e^{-j\frac{\Delta t}{2}}\sin\beta t_1\sin\beta t \\ &= -\left[\frac{nF_{n,n}}{2.2g^2n.\eta}4g^2\right]\sin\sqrt{2n}gt_1.\sin\sqrt{2n}gt \\ &= -\frac{F_{n,n}}{\eta}\sin\sqrt{2n}gt_1.\sin\sqrt{2n}gt \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

• and

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{e,n-1,n}(t) &= g_1 \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\Delta t/2} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\eta}} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) \\
&= g \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{[-2\beta \cos \beta t]}{-\beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{-\beta^2} \right\} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\eta}} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) \\
&= \sqrt{2} (\cos \sqrt{2n}gt - 1) K_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\eta}} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) \\
&= \sqrt{2} (\cos \sqrt{2n}gt - 1) \frac{1}{2\eta} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\eta}} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) \\
&= \frac{C_{g,n,n}(t_1)}{\sqrt{2\eta}} \cos \sqrt{2n}gt.
\end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

- Also

$$\begin{aligned}
D_{i,n,n-1}(t) &= g_2 \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{e^{j\Delta t/2} [j\Delta \sin \beta t - 2\beta \cos \beta t]}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{\Delta^2/4 - \beta^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\eta} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) \\
&= g \sqrt{n} K_1 \left\{ \frac{[-2\beta \cos \beta t]}{-\beta^2} + \frac{2\beta}{-\beta^2} \right\} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\eta} C_{g,n,n}(t_1) \\
&= \frac{C_{g,n,n}(t_1)}{\sqrt{2}\eta} \cos \sqrt{2n}gt
\end{aligned} \tag{48}$$

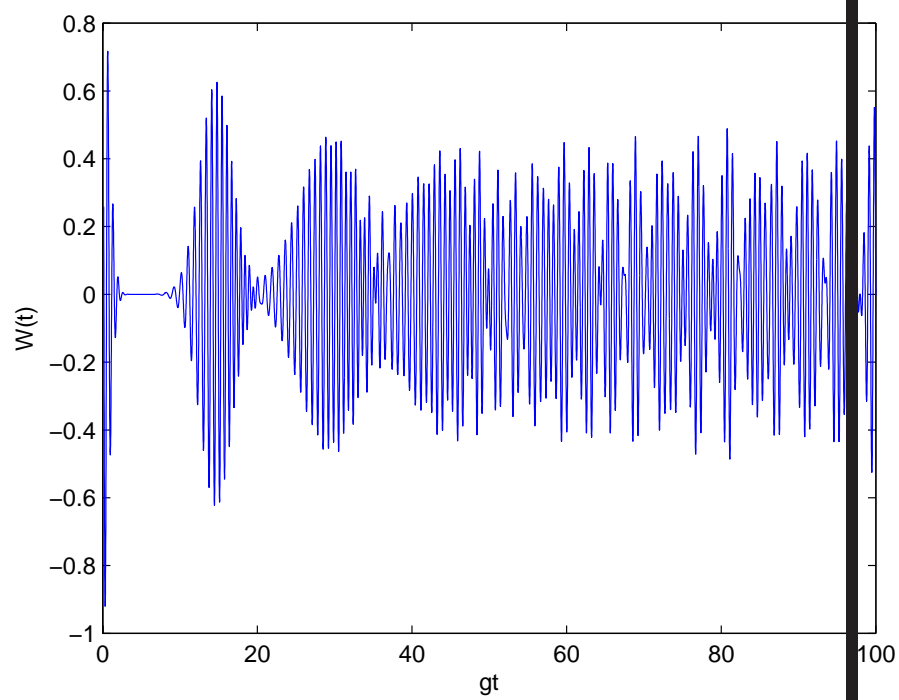
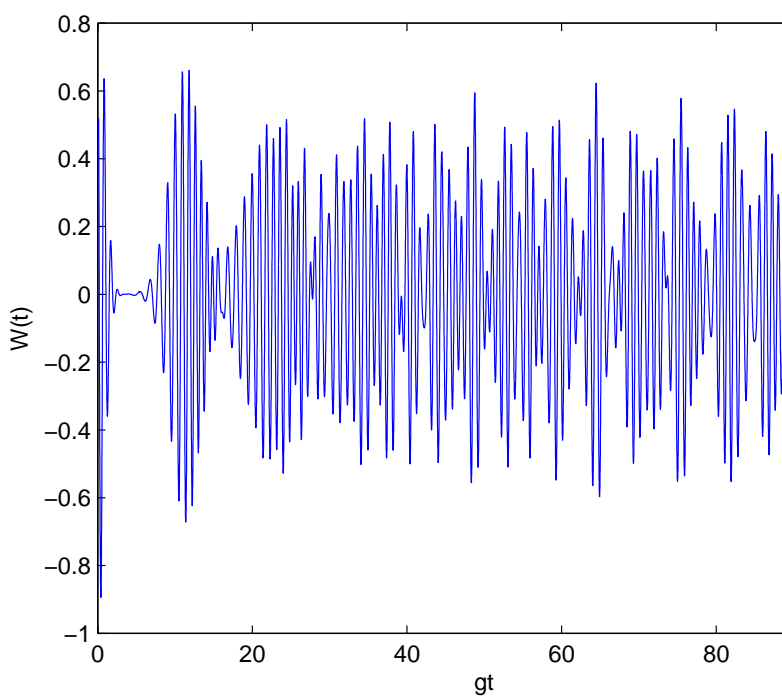
4 Population Inversion

- The inversion $W(t)$ for the three-level atom with ground state $|g\rangle$ and two excited states $|i\rangle$ and $|e\rangle$ each coupled to $|g\rangle$ is given by

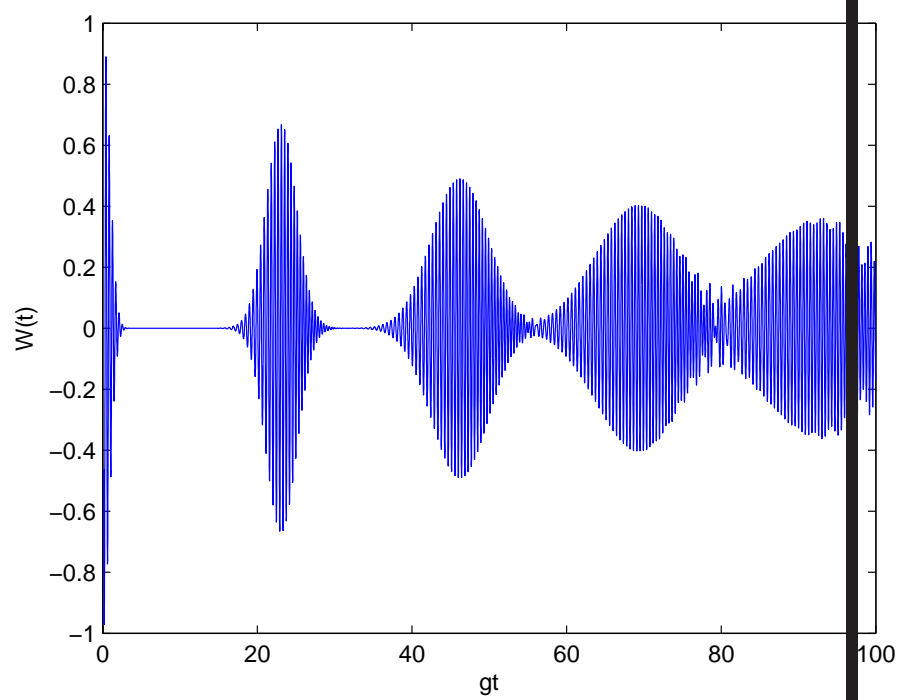
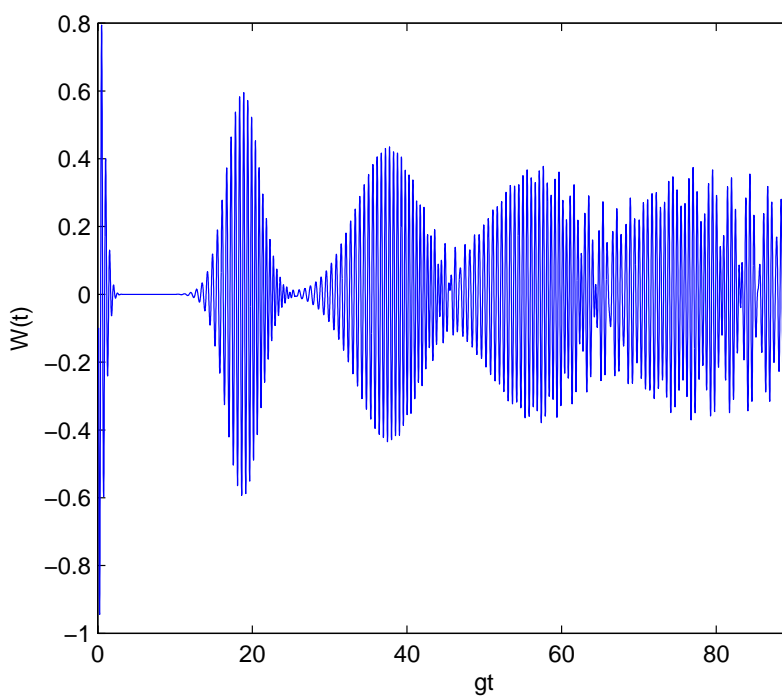
$$\begin{aligned}
 W(t) &= \sum_{n,n} [|D_{e,n-1,n}|^2 + |D_{i,n,n-1}|^2 - |D_{g,n,n}|^2] \\
 &= \frac{e^{-|\alpha|^2}}{\sum_0^\infty |c'_{g,n+1}(t_1)|^2} \left\{ \sum_0^\infty \frac{|\alpha|^{2n}}{n!} \sin^2(gt_1\sqrt{2n+2}) \cos^2(gt\sqrt{2n+4}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \sum_0^\infty \frac{|\alpha|^{2n}}{n!} \sin^2(gt_1\sqrt{2n+2}) \sin^2(gt\sqrt{2n+4}) \right\} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-|\alpha|^2}}{\sum_0^\infty |c'_{g,n+1}(t_1)|^2} \sum_0^\infty \frac{|\alpha|^{2n}}{n!} \sin^2(gt_1\sqrt{2n+2}) \cos(2gt\sqrt{2n+4}).
 \end{aligned} \tag{49}$$

- On taking $\Delta = 0, g_1 = g_2 = g, \varphi = \frac{\pi}{2}, \psi = 0$ we find that the equations (47) and (48) are identical.
- This means that atom occupation probability of level $|e\rangle$ and $|i\rangle$ are identical.
- There are only one photon transition, $|e\rangle \leftrightarrow |g\rangle$ and $|i\rangle \leftrightarrow |g\rangle$, in the interaction of the field and the atom.
- In order to find the inversion property of the atom-field interaction different values of gt_1 and \bar{n} are given to (49) to solve it numerically and the results are shown in the adjoining figures.

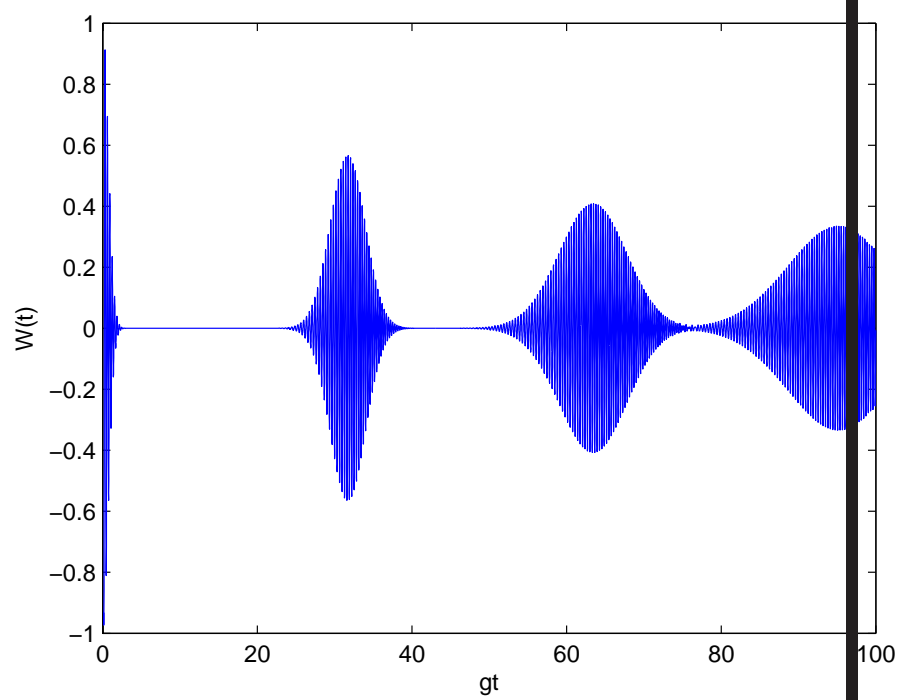
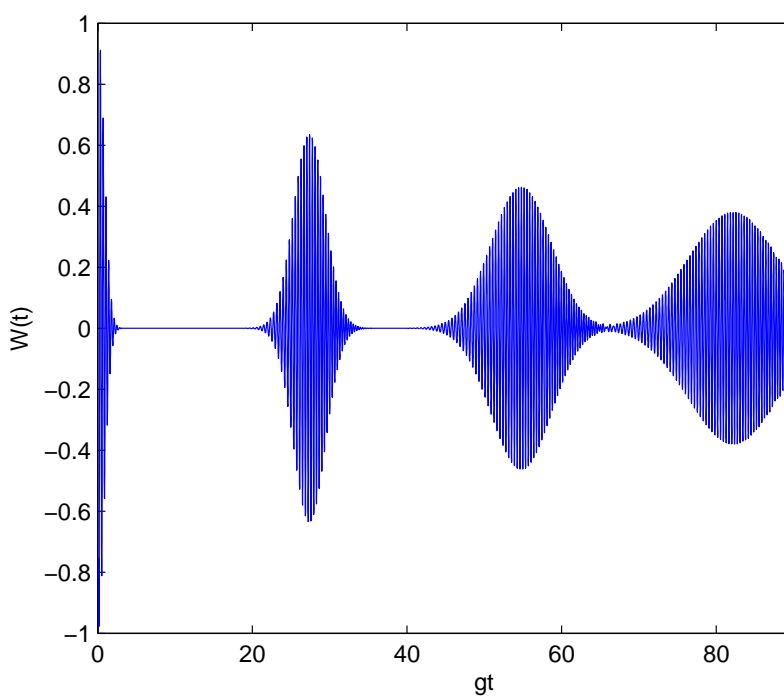
- Fig. 1(a), 1(b) indicate that the population inversion of two photons transition oscillate irregularly and atom collapses in between $3.34 \leq gt \leq 5.06$ for $\bar{n} = 2$ and $2.76 \leq gt \leq 7.22$ for $\bar{n} = 3$.
- Thus the initial coherent field with mean photon number $\bar{n} = 2$ or $\bar{n} = 3$ is not good for this model and is quite good for $\bar{n} = 4$ and $\bar{n} = 5$.
- If the initial mean photon number of the coherent field lies between $\bar{n} = 6$ and $\bar{n} = 9$, then this model is similar to that of two-level one photon JCM.



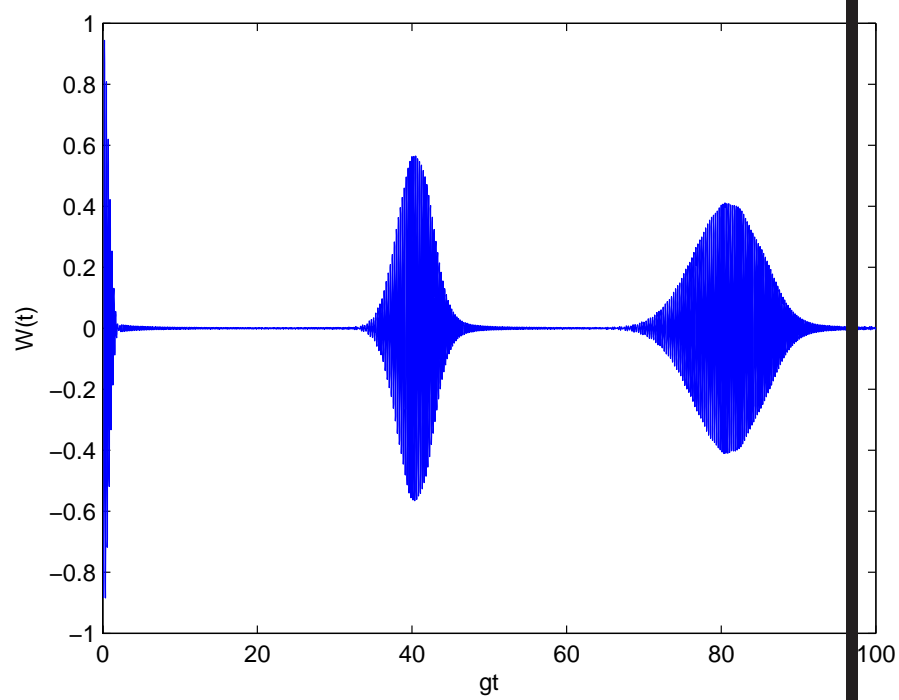
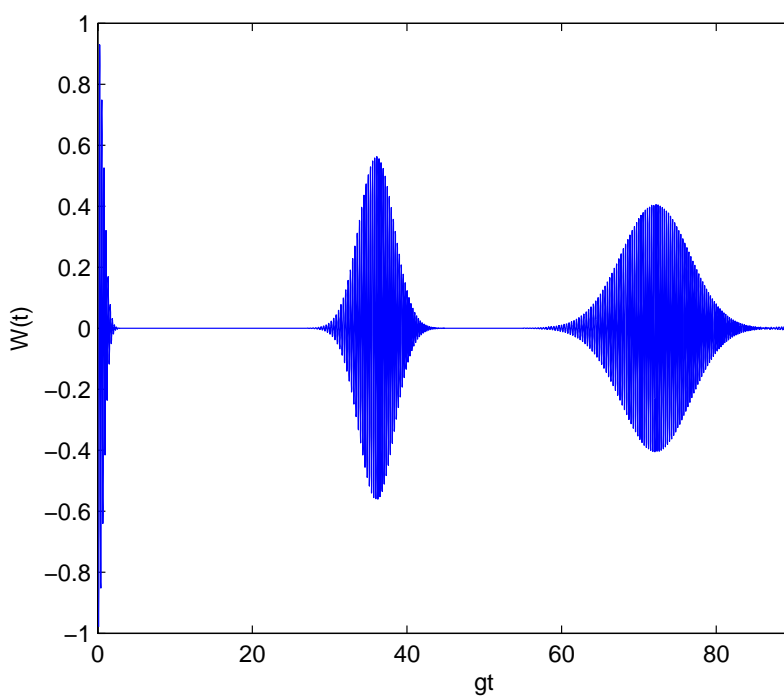
(b)



(d)



(f)



(h)

5 Evolution of the entropy of the field

- As we know, a measure of the uncertainty of the quantum-mechanical state is entropy and if ρ is a density operator for a given quantum system, $S(\rho)$ defined by

$$S(\rho) = -\text{Tr}(\rho \ln \rho) \quad (50)$$

is the von Neumann quantum mechanical entropy associated with ρ .

- $S = 0$ for a pure state ρ and $S \neq 0$ for a mixed state ρ .
- Thus entropy measures deviations from pure state behaviour.
- A non-zero S thus describes additional uncertainties in addition to those inherent quantum uncertainties which exist even for a pure state.

- Entropy is used to find out the disorder that evolve in a quantum system [10- 15].
- But the trace of $\rho \ln \rho$ depends only on its eigenvalues and being governed by a unitary time evolution its eigenvalues remain constant.
- Thus the entropy defined in (50) is time independent which means that if it is prepared in a pure or mixed state then it remains in a pure or mixed state as we proceed with the time.
- But we are interested in the way a system interacts with its environment or how a sub-system interacts with the rest of the system.
- The density operator ρ of the whole system contains many information which gives a little information of particular sub-system's behaviour.

- We thus get a statistical operator which is called the reduced density operator and using this operator we define entropy for a sub-system to study interesting information about the dynamical behaviour of the subsystem.
- In our present study of atom-field system we denote by S the total entropy of the complete atom-field system.
- A remarkable theorem of Araki and Lieb [9] states that

$$|S_a - S_f| \leq S \leq |S_a + S_f|. \quad (51)$$

- As the atom-field system is initially a pure state we have $S = 0$ and we have an immediate consequence that if the total system is prepared in a pure state then the component systems have equal entropies throughout the entire evolution of the system.
- Thus the atom and the field entropies are identical.

- The time evolution of the light field (atom) entropy reflects the evolution property of the interdependence between the light field and the atom[4,5,8].
- Initially, since both light field and atom are in pure states and independent of each other then the whole system of the atom-field is zero and remains constant.
- Now, the entropy of the atom when treated as a separate system is defined through the corresponding reduced density operator by

$$S_A = -Tr_A(\rho_A \ln \rho_A) \quad (52)$$

- where the reduced density operator ρ_A is

$$\rho_A = Tr_F(\rho). \quad (53)$$

- We now calculate

$$\rho_A = tr_F[|\psi_2(t)\rangle\langle\psi_2(t)|] \quad (54)$$

- with

$$|\psi_2(t)\rangle = \sum_n [D_{e,n,n}|e,n,n\rangle + D_{i,n,n}|i,n,n\rangle + D_{g,n,n}|g,n,n\rangle] \quad (55)$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
& |\psi_2(t) \rangle \langle \psi_2(t)| \\
= & \sum_{m,n} [D_{e,n} |e, n \rangle + D_{i,n} |i, n \rangle + D_{g,n} |g, n \rangle] \\
& [\bar{D}_{e,m} \langle e, m| + \bar{D}_{i,m} \langle i, m| + \bar{D}_{g,m} \langle g, m|] \\
= & \sum_{m,n} \{ D_{e,n} \bar{D}_{e,m} |e, n \rangle \langle e, m| + D_{e,n} \bar{D}_{i,m} |e, n \rangle \langle i, m| \\
& + D_{e,n} \bar{D}_{g,m} |e, n \rangle \langle g, m| + D_{i,n} \bar{D}_{e,m} |i, n \rangle \langle e, m| \\
& + D_{i,n} \bar{D}_{i,m} |i, n \rangle \langle i, m| + D_{i,n} \bar{D}_{g,m} |i, n \rangle \langle g, m| \\
& + D_{g,n} \bar{D}_{e,m} |g, n \rangle \langle e, m| + D_{g,n} \bar{D}_{i,m} |g, n \rangle \langle i, m| \\
& + D_{g,n} \bar{D}_{g,m} |g, n \rangle \langle g, m| \}
\end{aligned} \tag{56}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
& \rho_A \\
&= \text{tr}_F[|\psi_2(t)\rangle\langle\psi_2(t)|] \\
&= (\sum_n |D_{e,n}|^2) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + (\sum_n D_{e,n} \bar{D}_{i,n}) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \dots \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} (\sum_n |D_{e,n}|^2) & (\sum_n D_{e,n} \bar{D}_{i,n}) & (\sum_n D_{e,n} \bar{D}_{g,n}) \\ (\sum_n D_{i,n} \bar{D}_{e,n}) & (\sum_n |D_{i,n}|^2) & (\sum_n D_{i,n} \bar{D}_{g,n}) \\ (\sum_n D_{g,n} \bar{D}_{e,n}) & (\sum_n D_{g,n} \bar{D}_{i,n}) & (\sum_n |D_{g,n}|^2) \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{ee} & \rho_{ei} & \rho_{eg} \\ \rho_{ie} & \rho_{ii} & \rho_{ig} \\ \rho_{ge} & \rho_{gi} & \rho_{gg} \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned} \tag{57}$$

- and the atomic entropy is given by

$$S_F(t) = S_A(t) = -Tr[\rho_A(t)\ln\rho_A(t)] = -\sum_{j=1}^3 \lambda_j \ln \lambda_j \quad (58)$$

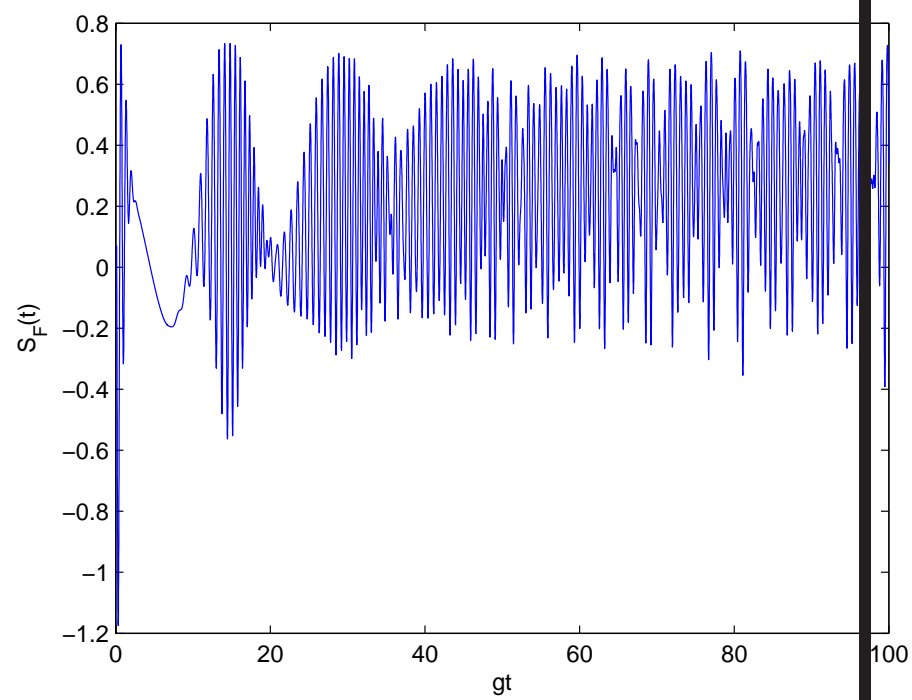
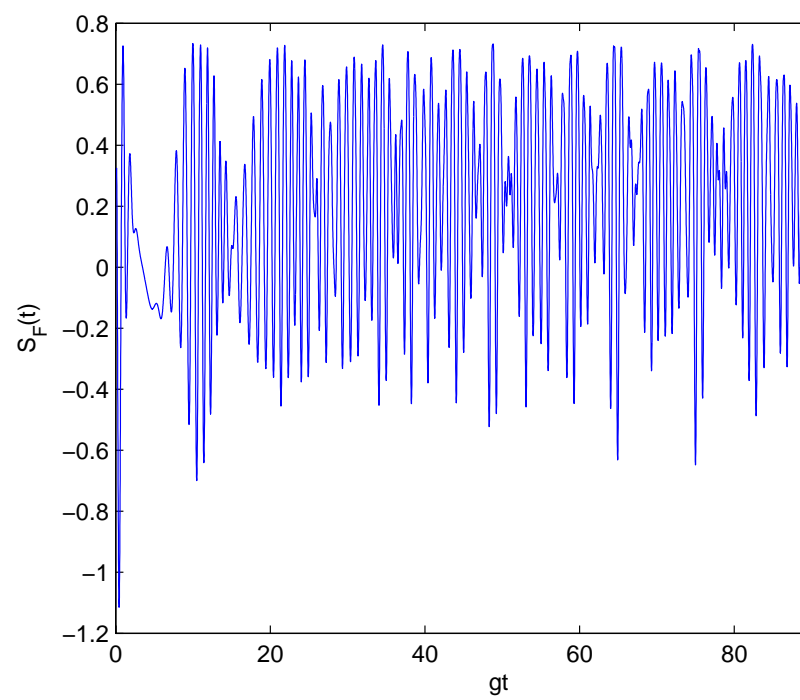
- where λ'_j 's ($j = 1, 2, 3$) are the eigenvalues of reduced density matrix of the atom whose characteristic equation is

$$\lambda^3 + \alpha_2 \lambda^2 + \alpha_1 \lambda + \alpha_0 = 0 \quad (59)$$

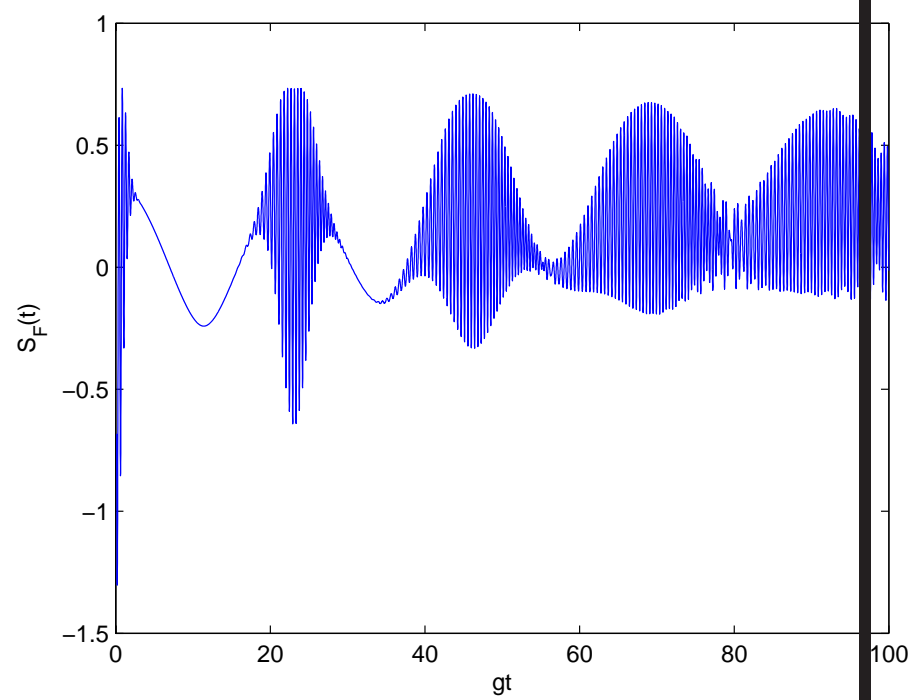
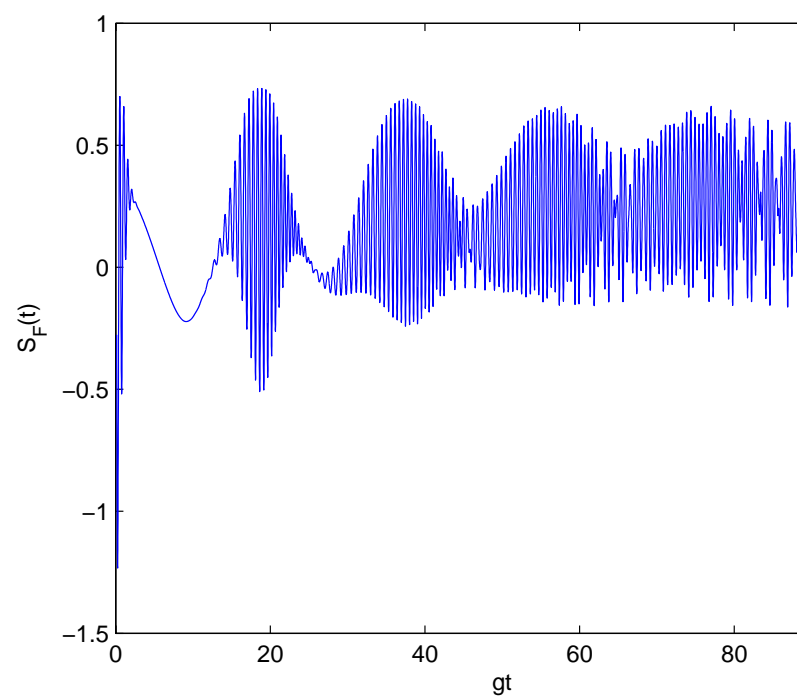
- with

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_0 &= -\rho_{ee}\rho_{ii}\rho_{gg} - \rho_{eg}\rho_{ig}\rho_{ge} - \rho_{eg}\rho_{gi}\rho_{ie} + \rho_{ee}\rho_{ig}\rho_{gi} + \rho_{ii}\rho_{ge}\rho_{eg} \\
&\quad + \rho_{gg}\rho_{ei}\rho_{ie} \\
\alpha_1 &= \rho_{ee}\rho_{ii} + \rho_{ii}\rho_{gg} + \rho_{gg}\rho_{ee} - \rho_{ei}\rho_{ie} - \rho_{ig}\rho_{gi} - \rho_{ge}\rho_{eg} \\
\alpha_2 &= -\rho_{ee} - \rho_{ii} - \rho_{gg}
\end{aligned} \tag{60}$$

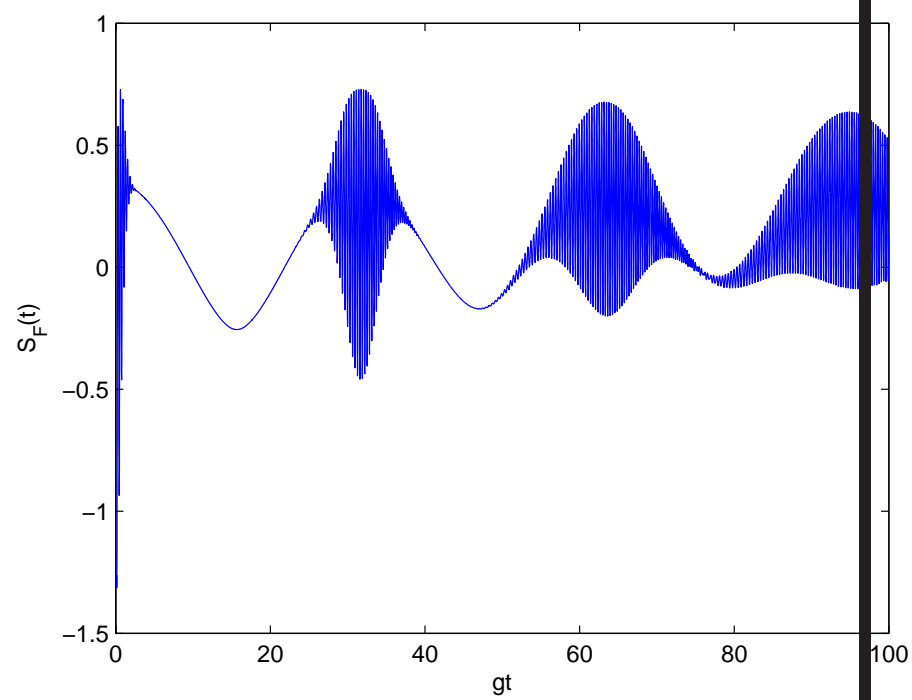
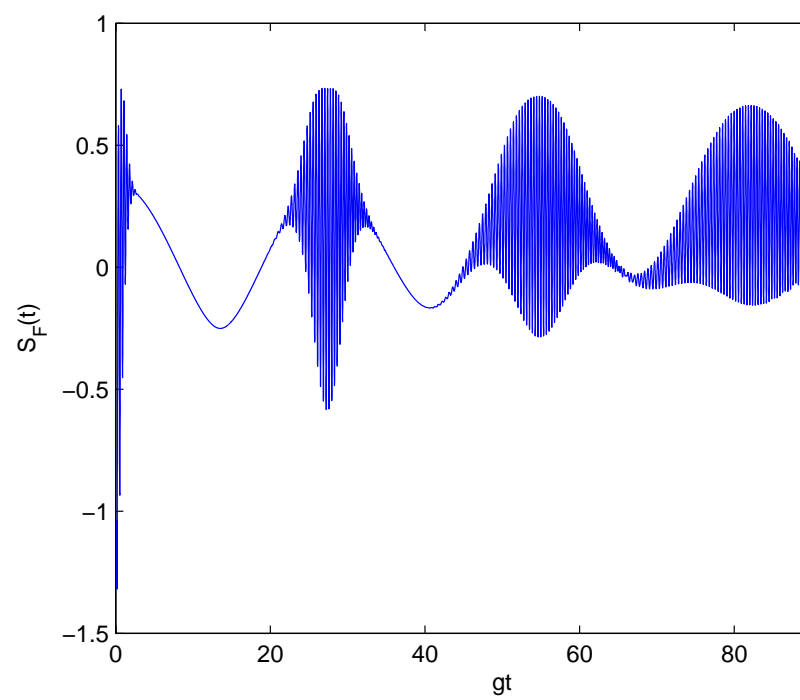
- In Fig. 2, on taking $\Delta = 0, g_1 = g_2 = g, \varphi = \frac{\pi}{2}, \psi = 0$ we have plotted the entropy for eight different values of mean photon numbers of the initial field.
- We observe from the figures 2(a) and 2(b) that the value of the field entropy oscillates and the coherent field does not keep its coherence but quietly decohere.
- In figures 2(c) and 2(d) the entropy oscillates from the initial value but after sometime it collapses for a short while and then revives for ever.
- From figures 2(e)- 2(h), entropy collapses and revives periodically and the system is similar to that of one photon transition of JCM.



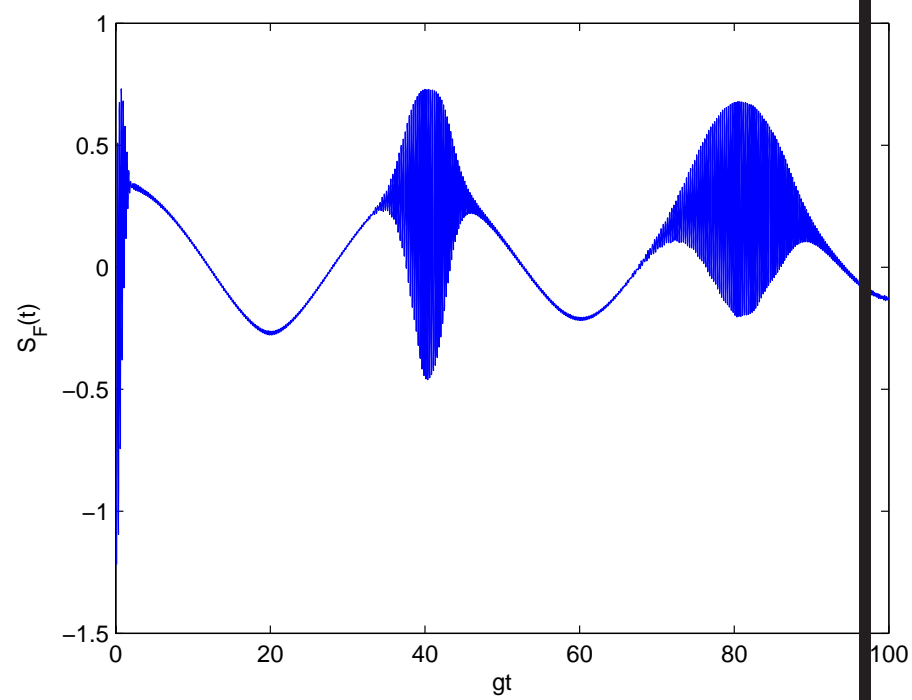
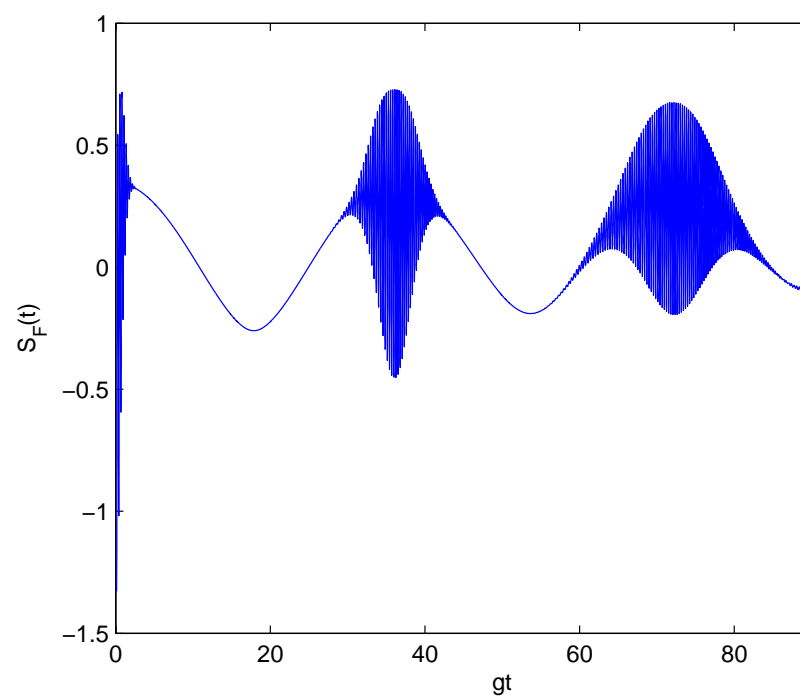
(b)



(d)



(f)



(h)

6 Conclusion

- We have thus shown the population inversion and the entropy evolution of the field interaction between the two atoms (passing one by one) and the single mode coherent field in a cavity.
- If we take the initial coherent field with mean photon number 8, then the atom collapses to the ground state with maximum fidelity .996082 after the laps of normalized time 0.137503.
- In the table (25) we have shown that the first atom collapses with maximum fidelity at different time in different mean photon number.
- In the picture of inversion and entropy evolution of the field we consider the coherent field with mean photon number between 2 and 9 and they are plotted for different values of normalized

time at which the first atom collapses to the ground state with maximum fidelity.

- If the mean photon number of the initial field is 1 then the fidelity is less than .5 and if the mean photon number is greater than 12 then the fidelity is nearly equal to 0 and we observe that atomic inversion and entropy of the field oscillate irregularly and the system will not collapse at all.
- If the fidelity is nearly equal to one then the system is similar to one-photon JCM.
- Thus the model is good when the fidelity is maximum and is bad when the fidelity is minimum.
- Thus the model is totally dependent on the initial field and the first atom when it collapses to the ground state with maximum fidelity.

THANKS