

The Resource Theoretic Paradigm of Quantum Thermodynamics with Control

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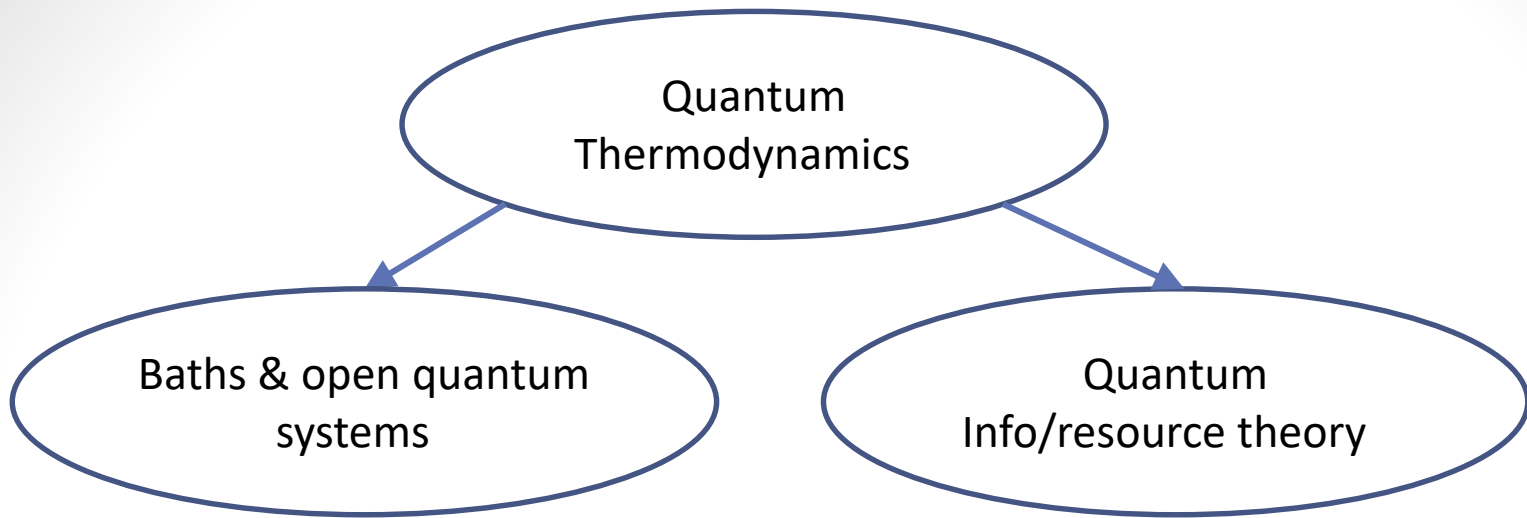
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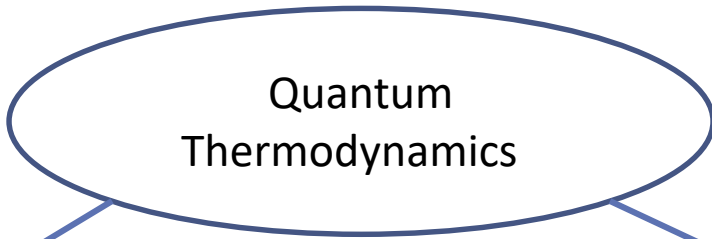


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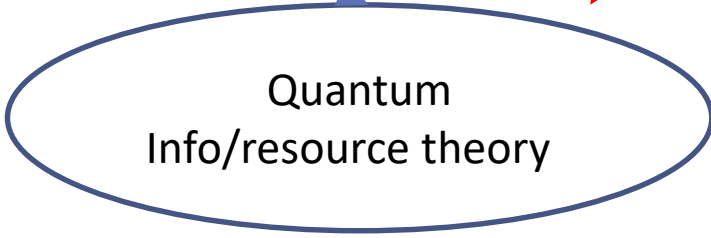
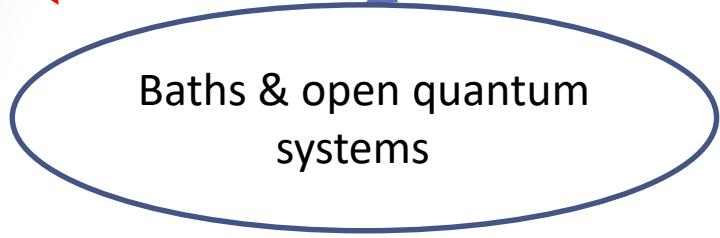


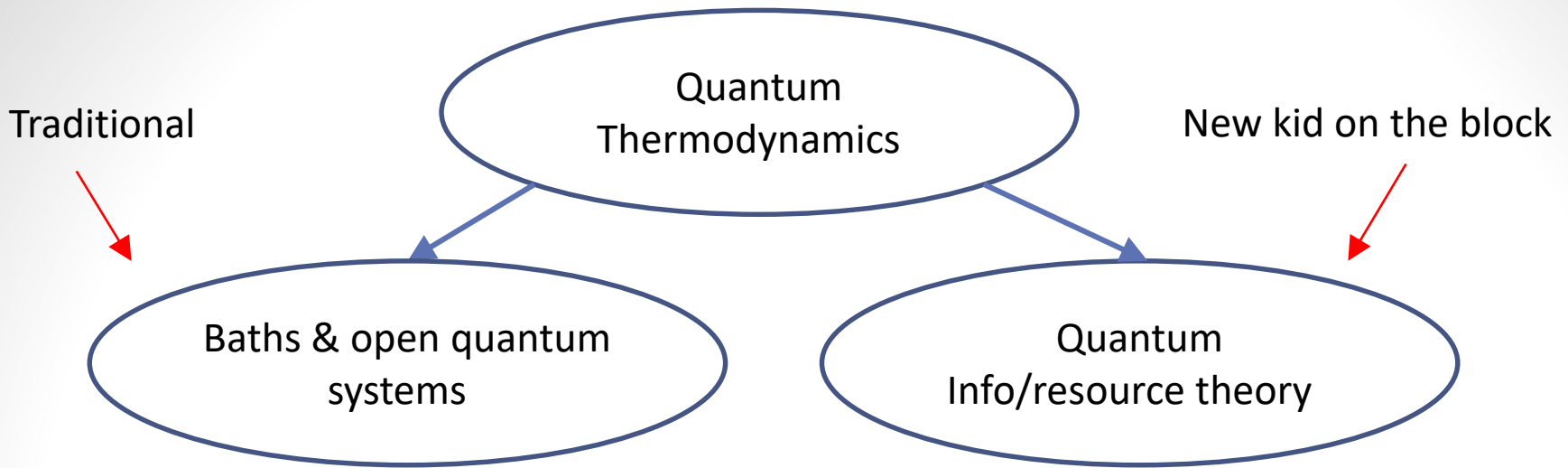


Traditional



New kid on the block

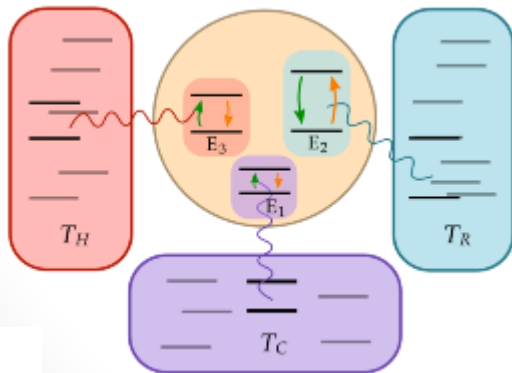




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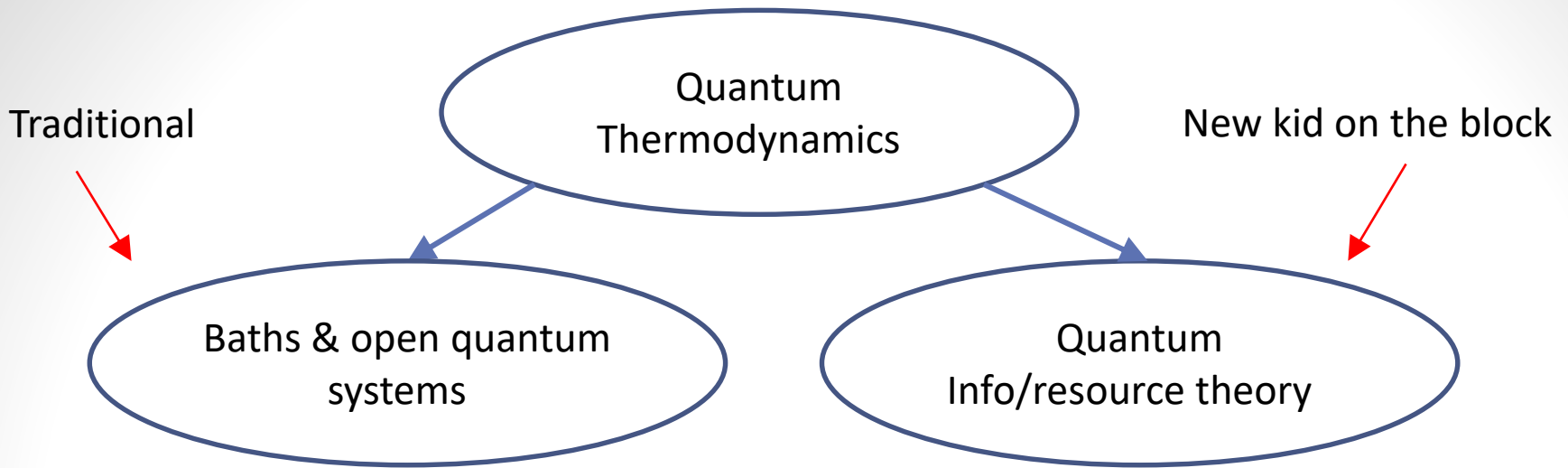
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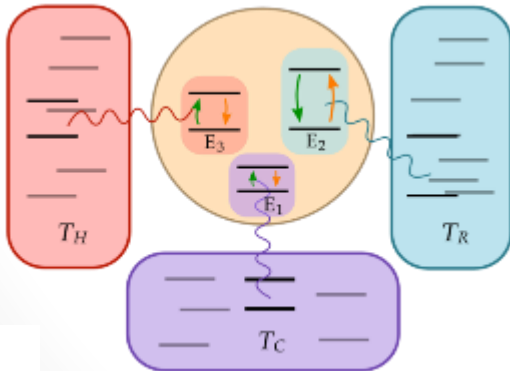
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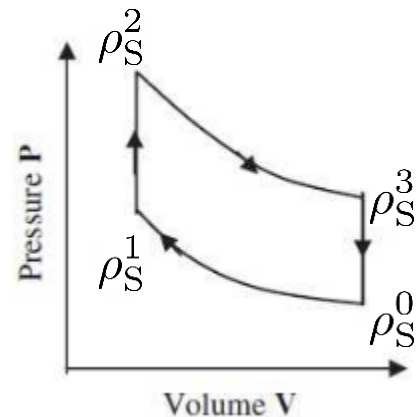
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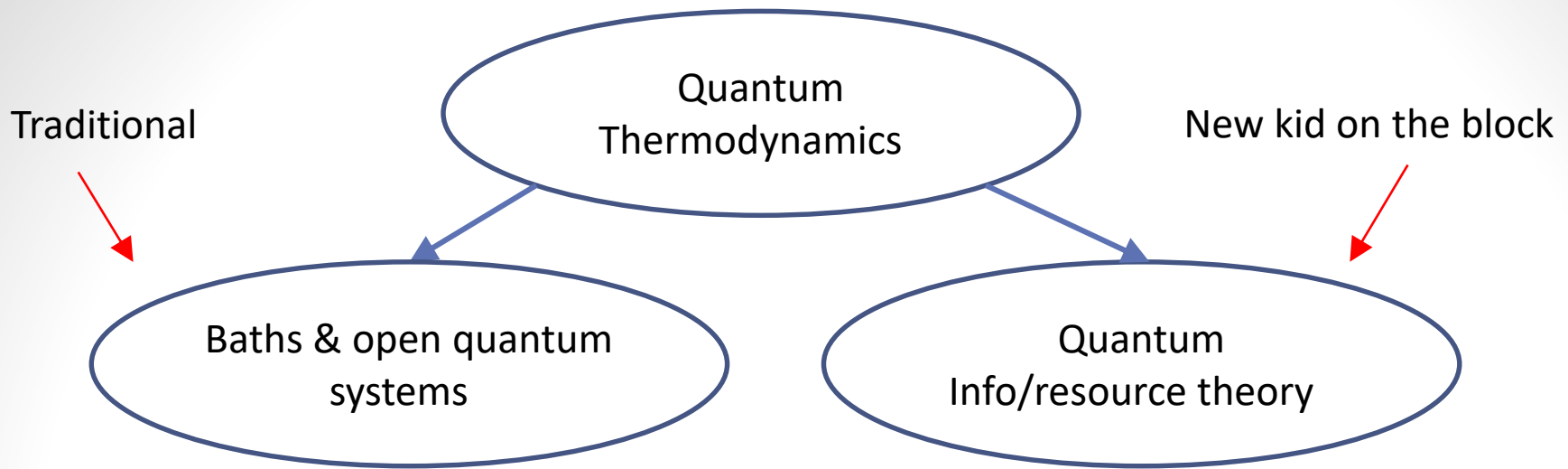
- **Discrete time steps model**
(uses circuit model)

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➤ Can we achieve a dynamical model without hidden thermodynamic costs?

- Talk overview:

- ✓ **Yes:** derive a continuous time dynamical model for circuit model
- **But:** difficult due to “catalytic embezzling”
- **New physics:** — 3rd law without light cone
 - laws only apply in equilibrium



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• David Jennings, 3rd KIAS workshop on Q. Info & and Thermo (2017).

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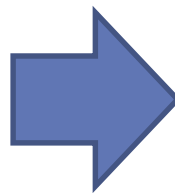
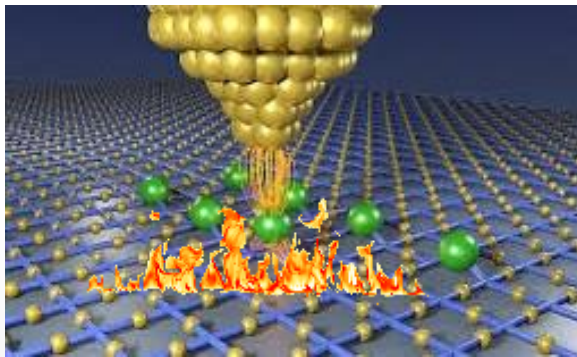
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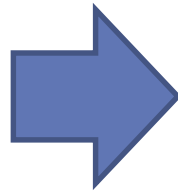
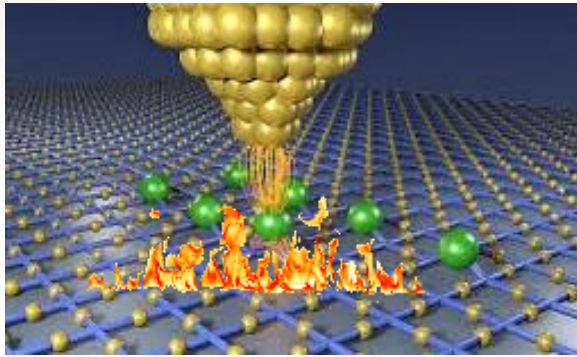


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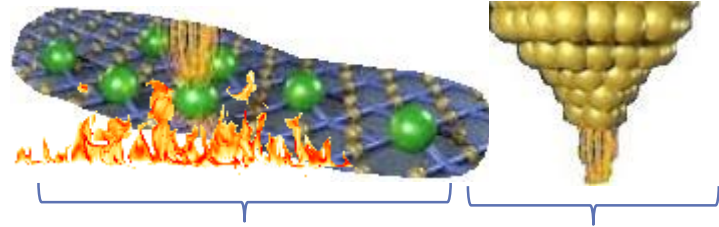


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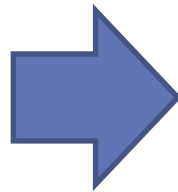
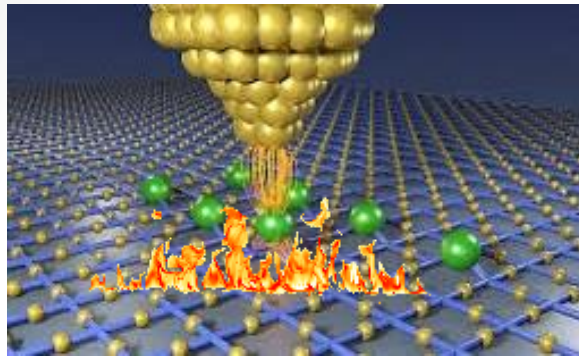


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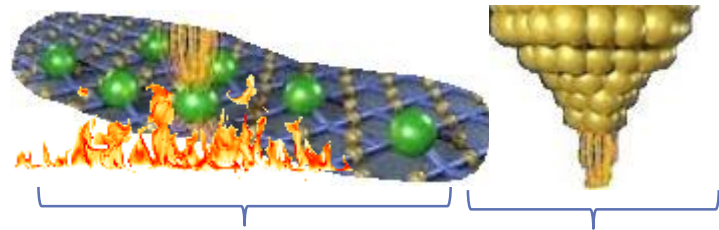
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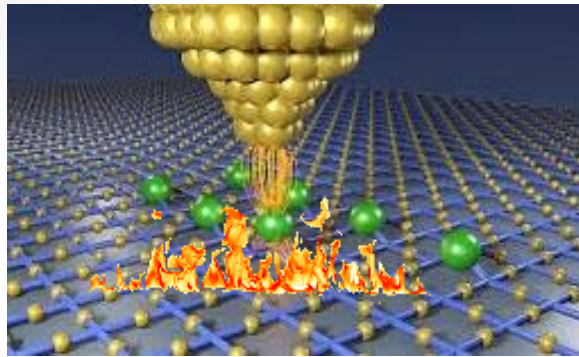
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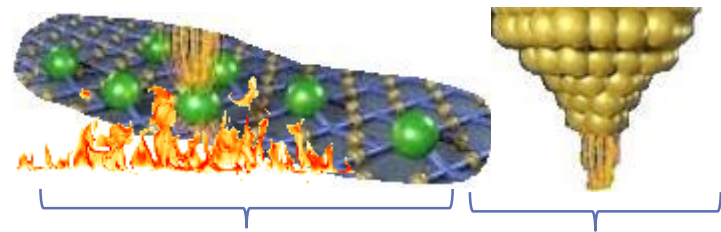
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- Therefore need inexact catalysis

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Theory of
thermodynamics
becomes trivial!

- A lot is still unknown about inexact catalysis

Conclusion:

- Consider implementation of CTO : $\rho_S^0 \xrightarrow{\text{CTO}} \rho_S^1$

$$\rho_{\text{SCatBC}}^F(t) = e^{-it\hat{H}_{\text{SCatBC}}} (\rho_S \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0 \otimes \tau_B \otimes \rho_C) e^{it\hat{H}_{\text{SCatBC}}}$$

- Dynamics to be close to "idealized" case:

- After tracing out the bath, for all times $t \in [0, t_1] \cup [t_2, t_3]$

$$\|\rho_{\text{SCatC}}^F(t) - \underbrace{\rho_S(t)}_{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_S^0 \text{ for } t \in [0, t_1] \\ \rho_S^1 \text{ for } t \in [t_2, t_3] \end{array} \right.} \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0 \otimes \underbrace{\rho_C(t)}_{= e^{-it\hat{H}_C} \rho_C e^{it\hat{H}_C}}\|_1 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } d_C \rightarrow \infty$$

- This is **not** sufficient to conclude CTO!

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where $\rho_S^0 \otimes \tilde{\rho}_{\text{Cat}}^0 \otimes \rho_C^0 \xrightarrow{\text{NO}} \sigma_S(t) \otimes \tilde{\rho}_{\text{Cat}}^0 \otimes \rho_C(t)$ for some $\tilde{\rho}_{\text{Cat}}^0$.

- Explicitly:

$$\varepsilon_{\text{res}} = 5 \sqrt{\frac{d_S^{5/3} + 4(\ln d_S d_{\text{Cat}} d_C) \ln d_S}{-\ln \varepsilon_{\text{emb}}}}.$$

- Example 1: $\varepsilon_{\text{emb}} \propto d_C^{-K}$,



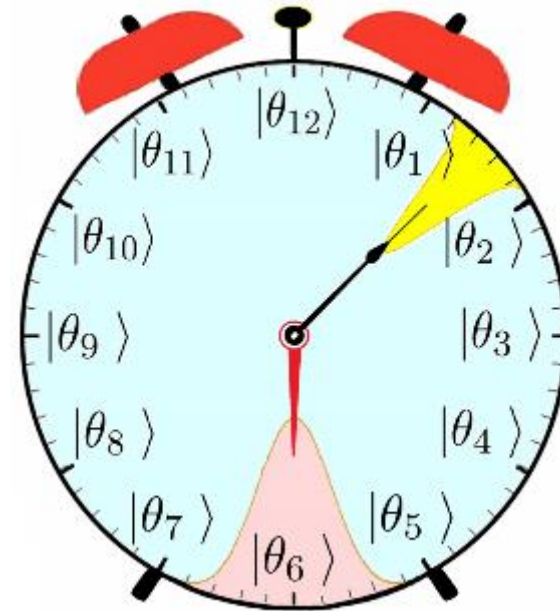
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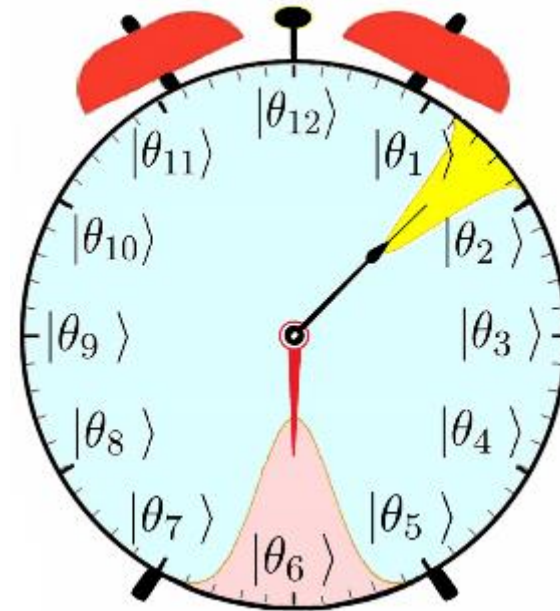
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- **Therefore** $\forall t \in [0, t_1] \cup [t_2, t_3], \quad \varepsilon_{res} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } d_C \rightarrow \infty$



• Definition: **The embezzlement-free Control model**

Let $\hat{H}_{\text{SCatCB}} = \hat{H}_{\text{S}} + \hat{H}_{\text{Cat}} + \hat{H}_{\text{B}} + \hat{H}_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{int}} \otimes \hat{H}_{\text{C}}^{\text{int}} + \hat{H}_{\text{C}}$

and $\hat{H}_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{int}}$ satisfy:

$$1) [\hat{H}_{\text{S}} + \hat{H}_{\text{Cat}} + \hat{H}_{\text{B}}, \hat{H}_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{int}}] = 0$$

$$2) \text{tr}_{\text{B}}[e^{-i\hat{H}_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{int}}}(\rho_{\text{S}}^0 \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0 \otimes \tau_{\text{B}})e^{i\hat{H}_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{int}}}] = \rho_{\text{S}}^1 \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0$$

for some $\rho_{\text{S}}^1, \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0, \tau_{\text{B}}$

$$\rho_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{target}}(t) = e^{-i\delta(t)\hat{H}_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{int}}}(\rho_{\text{S}}^0(t) \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0 \otimes \tau_{\text{B}})e^{i\delta(t)\hat{H}_{\text{SCatB}}^{\text{int}}}$$

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Thm 3:

➤ The deviation from the idealised dynamics is bounded by

$$\|\rho_{\text{SCatC}}^F(t) - \rho_{\text{S}}^F(t) \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0(t) \otimes \rho_{\text{C}}^0(t)\|_1^4 \leq d_{\text{S}}d_{\text{Cat}}d_{\text{B}}\text{tr}[\tau_{\text{B}}^2] \Delta_{\text{C}}(t)$$

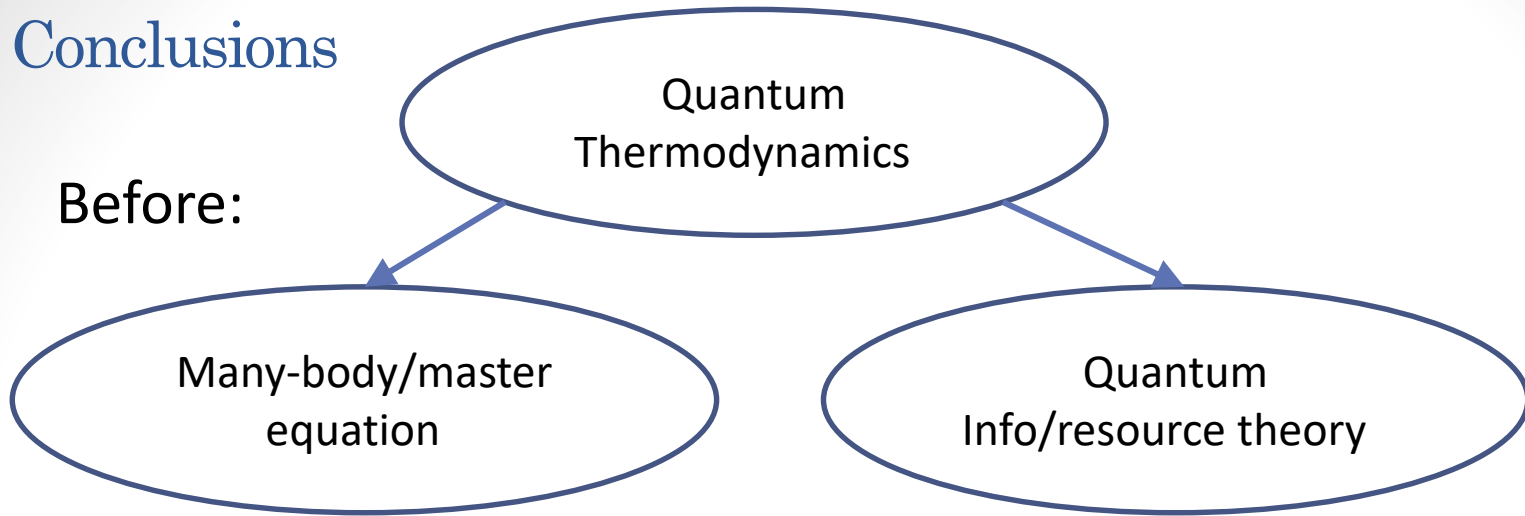
➤ The final state $\rho_{\text{S}}^F(t)$ is

$$\|\rho_{\text{S}}^F(t) - \rho_{\text{S}}^{\text{target}}(t)\|_1 \leq \sqrt{d_{\text{S}}d_{\text{Cat}}d_{\text{B}}\text{tr}[\tau_{\text{B}}^2] \Delta_{\text{C}}(t)}$$

close to one which can be reached via t-CTO: For all $t \in [0, t_1] \cup [t_2, t_3]$ the transition $\rho_{\text{S}}^0 \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0 \otimes \rho_{\text{C}}^0$ to $\rho_{\text{S}}^{\text{target}}(t) \otimes \rho_{\text{Cat}}^0(t) \otimes \rho_{\text{C}}^0(t)$ is possible via a TO.

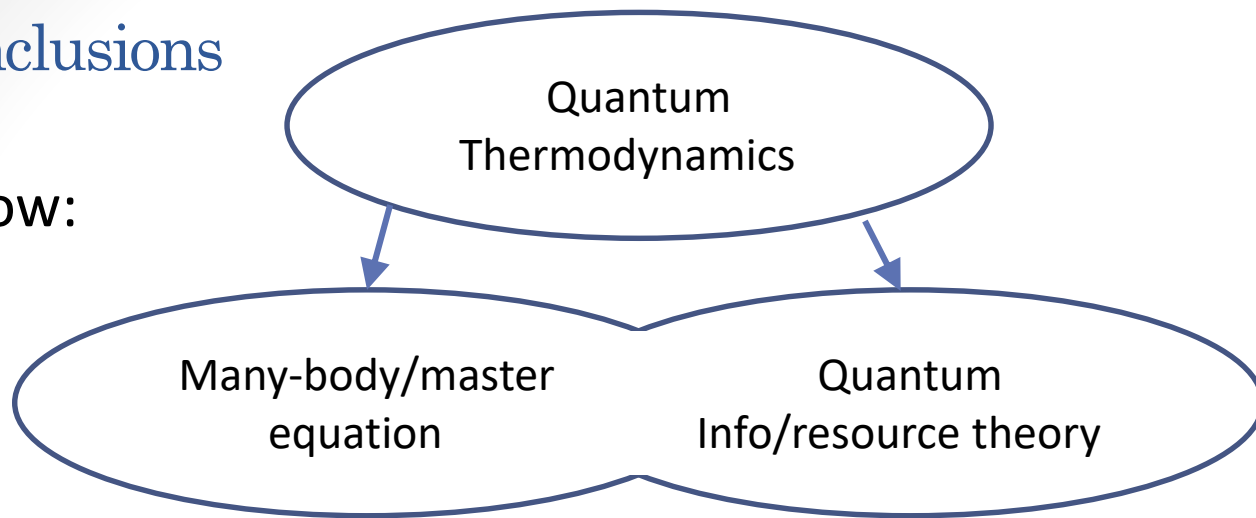
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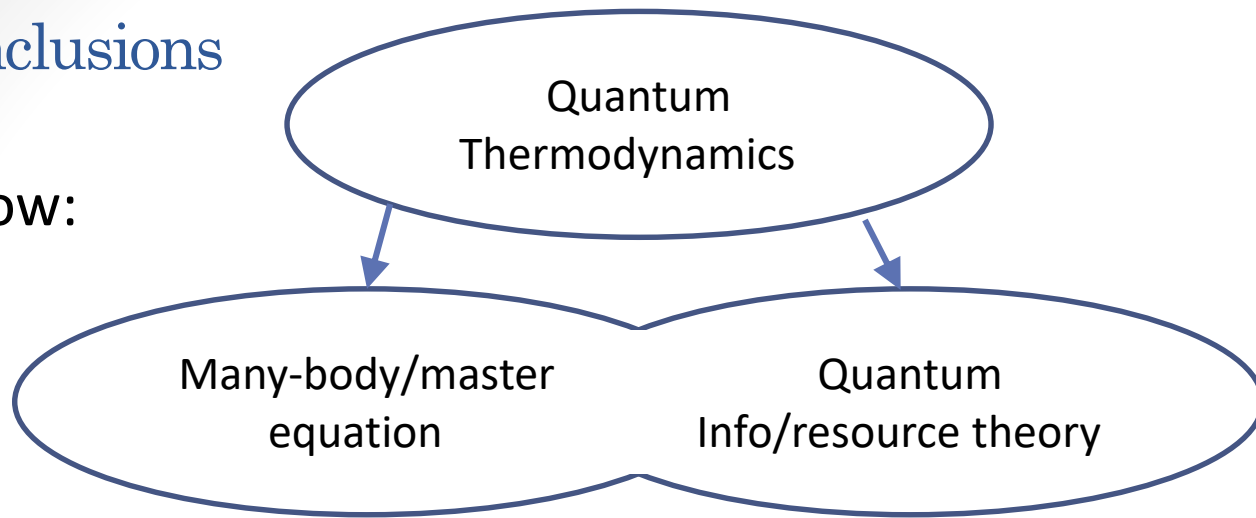
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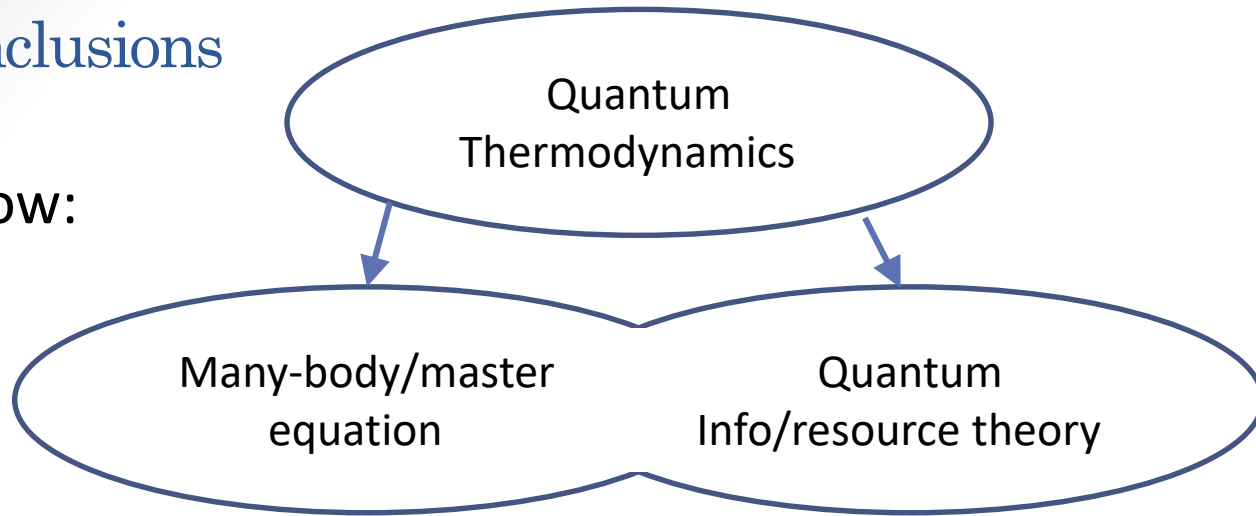


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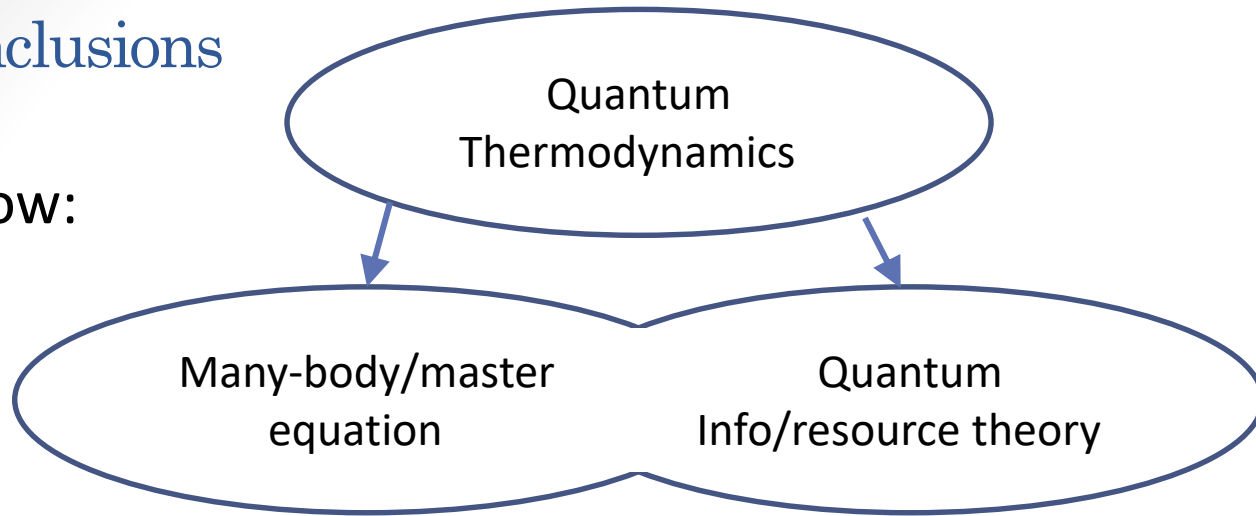


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Selection Open Questions

- Does the control need to be highly coherent?
- Characterization of 3rd law without light-cone bound
- Do the 2nd laws of quantum thermodynamics hold out of equilibrium?