



driven generalized
quantum Rayleigh-van der
Pol oscillators

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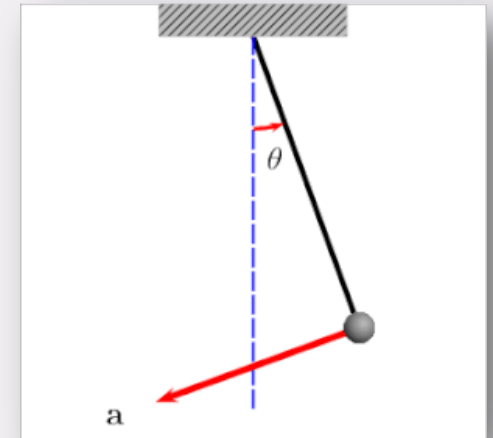
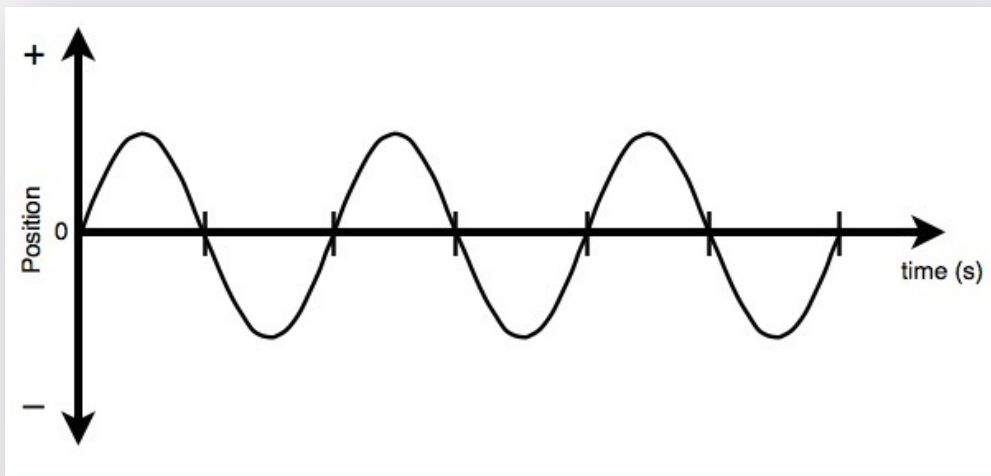


classical oscillators



- **simple harmonic motion:** repetitive back-and-forth movement through an equilibrium position
 - i.e. springs, pendulums
- classical equation-of-motion:

$$\ddot{x} = -\omega^2 x$$



position, velocity, and acceleration oscillate with time

🤔 "self-sustained?" 🤔

- **self-sustained oscillations** occur in systems where a periodic response is generated without the need for an external force to the system

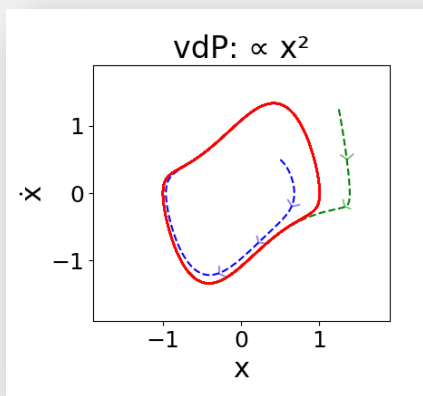
$$\ddot{x} = -\omega^2 x + \dot{x}[(\gamma_1^+ - \gamma_1^-) - \gamma_{2,vdP}x^2 - \gamma_{2,ray}\dot{x}^2]$$

linear energy gain (if positive)

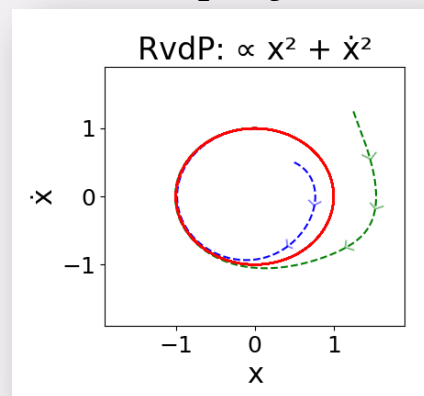
non-linear energy loss

- visualize in **phase space** to view **limit cycles**

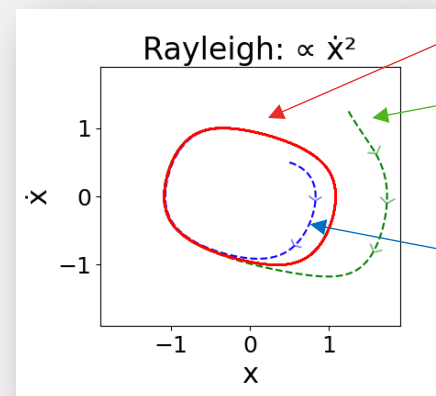
van der Pol damping



Rayleigh-van der Pol damping



Rayleigh damping



limit cycle

outside trajectory:
energy loss
initially dominates

inside trajectory:
energy gain
initially dominates

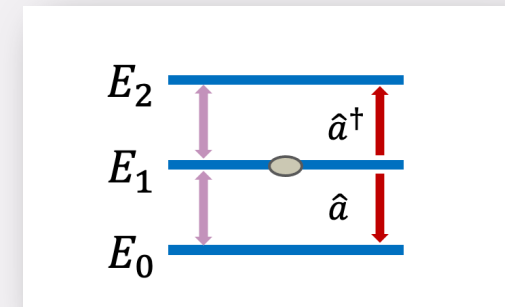
👹 quantum oscillators 👹

- **energy discretization** becomes apparent in the quantum regime
 - we must consider a different framework to describe self-sustained oscillations in the quantum regime, $\langle a^\dagger a \rangle < 1$
- the quantum master equation (Ben Arosh et al., PRR 3, 013130 (2021)) contains linear and non-linear damping terms as well

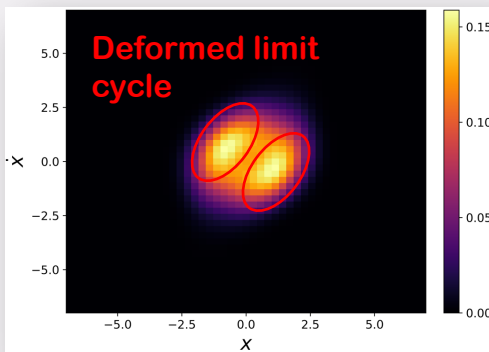
$$x(t) \rightarrow \hat{\rho}(t)$$

$$\dot{\hat{\rho}} = -i[\hat{H}, \hat{\rho}] + \gamma_1^+ D[\hat{a}^\dagger] \hat{\rho} + \gamma_1^- D[\hat{a}] \hat{\rho} + \alpha D[\hat{a}^2] \hat{\rho} + \beta D[\hat{x}\hat{a}](\hat{\rho}) + \delta D[\hat{p}\hat{a}](\hat{\rho})$$

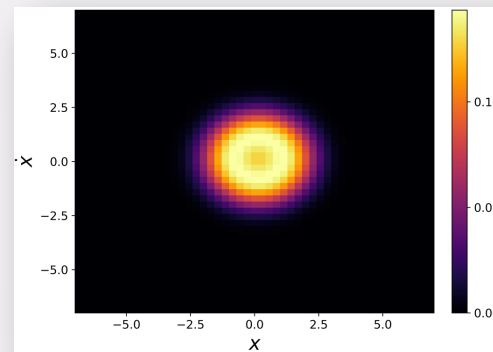
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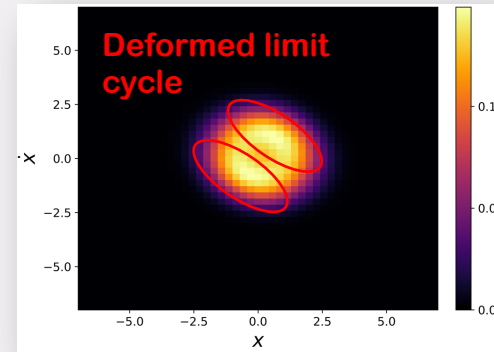
vdP



R-vdP

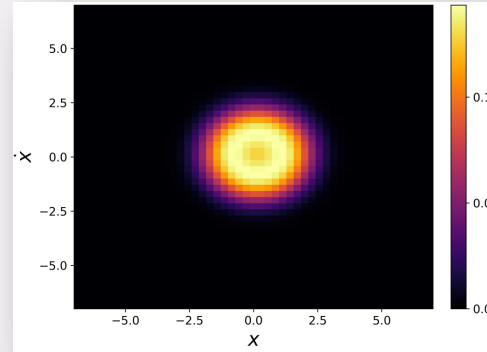


ray

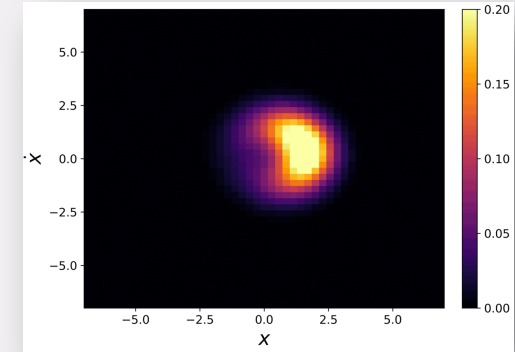


our work

no synchronization



some synchronization



- in the classical regime:
 - limit cycle is key ingredient for **synchronization**
 - classical synchronization allows us to accomplish certain tasks (like efficiently running the power grid)
- we seek to:
 1. understand oscillator dynamics in both the laboratory frame and a frame rotating with the oscillator
 2. study the response of systems with an external drive where the damping terms are not equal to each other
 - i.e. investigate synchronization, susceptibility
 3. clarify the generality in the deviation in response from the quantum and classical systems



tools

- C code for the trajectories, using fourth-order Runge-Kutta methods to solve the differential equations
- **python**, gnuplot, and Mathematica for analyzing and visualizing the results

questions?