

Time evolution of $|0\rangle|\alpha\rangle$ where $H = (b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b)\hbar$

The initial state is

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = |0\rangle|\alpha\rangle \longrightarrow (1)$$

The time evolved state is

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} |0\rangle_a |\alpha\rangle_b \longrightarrow (2)$$

$$= e^{-\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} |0\rangle_a |0\rangle_b \longrightarrow (3)$$

Here $U = e^{-iHt/\hbar}$

Inserting UU^\dagger in (3)

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} e^{\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} e^{-\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} |0\rangle_a |0\rangle_b \longrightarrow (4)$$

$$= e^{-\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} e^{+\frac{iHt}{\hbar}} |0\rangle_a |0\rangle_b \longrightarrow (5)$$

This looks like $e^{x\hat{X}} \hat{Y} e^{-x\hat{X}}$

$$e^{x\hat{X}} \hat{Y} e^{-x\hat{X}} = \hat{Y} + \frac{x}{1!} [\hat{X}, \hat{Y}] + \frac{x^2}{2!} [\hat{X}, [\hat{X}, \hat{Y}]] + \dots$$

Here $X = b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b$; $Y = e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} \longrightarrow (6)$
 $x = -it$

Applying this in eqn (6)

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \left\{ e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} + \frac{(-it)}{1!} [b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)}] + \frac{(-it)^2}{2!} [b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, [b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)}]] + \dots \right\} |0,0\rangle \longrightarrow (7)$$

First simplifying the term $[b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)}]$ which is in eqn (7)

This is in the form

$$[b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)}] = \int_0^1 e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} [b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, \alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a] ds$$

$$= \int_0^1 e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} [b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, \alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a] ds \quad \longrightarrow (8)$$

$$= e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} [b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, \alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a]$$

$$= e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} (\alpha b^\dagger + \alpha^* b) \quad \longrightarrow (9)$$

Therefore

$$[b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)}] = e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} (\alpha b^\dagger + \alpha^* b) \quad \longrightarrow (10)$$

Next simplifying the term $[b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, [b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b, e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)}]]$

This is in the form

$$[\hat{P}, [P, e^Q]] \quad \text{where}$$

$$\hat{P} = b^\dagger a + a^\dagger b ; \quad Q = \alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a$$

$\} \longrightarrow (11)$

$$[P, [P, e^Q]] = \overset{-3-}{[P, [P, Q] e^Q]} \rightarrow (12)$$

$$= [P, [P, Q]] e^Q + [P, Q] [P, e^Q]$$

$$\rightarrow (13)$$

$$= [P, [P, Q]] e^Q + [P, Q] [P, Q] e^Q$$

$$\rightarrow (14)$$

commutating Q with P with $[P, Q]$ would give Q

$$(i.e) [P, [P, Q]] = Q \rightarrow (15)$$

Sub (15) in (14)

$$[P, [P, e^Q]] = (Q + [P, Q]^2) e^Q \rightarrow (16)$$

$$= \left(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a + (\alpha b^\dagger + \alpha^* b)^2 \right) e^{\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a}$$

$$\rightarrow (17)$$

Substituting (16) and (17) in eqn (7)

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \left\{ e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} + \frac{(-it)}{1!} (\alpha b^\dagger + \alpha^* b) e^{(\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a)} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(-it)^2}{2!} \left((\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a) + (\alpha b^\dagger + \alpha^* b)^2 \right) e^{\alpha a^\dagger - \alpha^* a} \right. \\ \left. + \dots \right\} |0, 0\rangle \rightarrow (18)$$

How to simplify further?