

Emergence of Boltzmann subspaces in open quantum systems far from equilibrium

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Single molecule junctions are important examples of complex out-of-equilibrium many-body quantum systems. We identify a non-trivial clustering of steady state populations into distinctive subspaces with Boltzmann-like statistics, which persist far from equilibrium. Such Boltzmann subspaces significantly reduce the information needed to describe the steady state, enabling modeling of high dimensional systems which are otherwise beyond reach of current computations. The emergence of Boltzmann subspaces is demonstrated analytically and numerically for fermionic transport systems of increasing complexity.