Correlations in thermodynamics of quantum systems beyond the weak-coupling regime

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In this talk, I will demonstrate a framework to obtain thermodynamics of a non-equilibrium quantum system from its dynamics. In particular, I will discuss rules governing heat and work flow and entropy exchange in a quantum system in the presence of interaction and correlations with an environment ¹.I will also introduce a non-equilibrium temperature and discuss how it may characterize equilibration of two quantum systems.

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