# Unconventional photon blockade with non-Markovian effects in driven dissipative coupled cavities

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The photon blockade based on destructive quantum interference is called the unconventional photon blockade (UPB), which has been intensively studied in Markovian systems but barely explored in the non-Markovian ones. In this paper, we construct a coupled-cavities system to achieve UPB with the non-Markovian effect, where the dissipationless left cavity and Markovian dissipative right cavity are respectively mediated by two-photon pump and single-photon driving field. Through the equivalence between the Markovian master equation and Heisenberg-Langevin equation for the environment initialization in the vacuum state, we can derive the exact non-Markovian Heisenberg-Langevin equation and reduced master equation for the left cavity, which contains the two-photon pump and effective single-photon driving field. In the non-Markovian regime (the dissipation falling below a threshold), the effective single-photon driving field holds nonzero, which can lead to UPB occurring due to a closed quantum interference path forming. When the dissipation exceeds the threshold, the system enters the Markovian regime, where UPB weakens. Especially, if the dissipation approaches infinity, UPB for the left cavity disappears due to the effective single-photon driving field tending to zero. We analytically derive an optimal condition for UPB, which is in good agreement with that obtained by the numerical simulation. We also discuss the situation where both cavities have dissipations. Finally, the above model is extended to a general system involving a dissipationless left cavity (mediated by twophoton pump) coupling with noninteracting dissipative right cavities (driven by single-photon driving fields). Our scheme might pave an avenue towards applications on photon statistics and quantum optics with the non-Markovian effect.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

The photon blockade [1] originates from the anharmonic dynamics of bosonic modes and has been used for generating optical fields with nonclassical statistics [2,3] and singlephoton sources [4,5], which is known as the conventional photon blockade (CPB) with large nonlinearities with respect to the decay rate of the system. The CPB was first observed in an optical cavity coupled to a single trapped atom [6]. Subsequently, strong antibunching behaviors were obtained in different systems by a series of research groups, including a quantum dot in a photonic crystal system [7], circuit cavity quantum electrodynamics systems [8-19], and circuit QED [20,21]. The theoretical models about CPB include quantum optomechanical systems [22–35], exciting polaritons [36], two-level systems coupled to the cavity [37-44], dynamical blockade [45], quantum dots coupled to a nanophotonic waveguide [46], four-level quantum emitters [47], and threewave mixing [48]. Many schemes have been completed in nanostructured cavities and semiconductor microcavities with second-order [49–52] and three-order nonlinearities [53,54]. The potential applications of photon blockade include the

realization of interferometers [55], quantum nonreciprocity [56,57], single-photon transistors [58], non-Hermitian photon blockade [59–68], nonreciprocal CPB [69–75], and multiphoton blockade [76–87].

Unconventional photon blockade (UPB) [88] with nonlinearities weaker than the decay rates of the cavity modes has been proposed to suppress the multiphoton population by utilizing the quantum interference between different paths of transitions [89–94]. Such a scheme requires an additional degree of freedom of photons, such as an ancillary photonic mode or emitter to provide an extra dimension for the construction of different transition pathways. With the fundamental principle, many quantum systems are predicted to have photon blockade effect with weak nonlinearities, such as bimodal coupled polaritonic cavities [95], optical cavities with a quantum dot [96–103], coupled single-mode cavities with second- or third-order nonlinearity [104–113], three-level artificial atoms [114,115], optomechanical systems [116–118], semiconductor cavities [119], Gaussian squeezed states [120–122], and nonreciprocal UPB [123–131]. Moreover, UPB in the microwave domain has been observed in coupled superconducting resonators [132] and quantum dot cavity QED [133] in experiment.

In general, all the quantum systems in reality are open owing to the unavoidable coupling with the environments [134–144], which have attracted more and more attention with

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the rapid development of quantum information technology [145,146]. The Markovian approximation for open systems [136,144] is only valid when the coupling between the system and environment is weak and characteristic time of the system under study is adequately larger than that of the environment. Otherwise we need to investigate the influences of the non-Markovian environment on the system dynamics [147–149], which occurs in many quantum systems including coupled cavities [150], photonic crystals [151,152], colored noises [153], cavities coupled to waveguides [154–157], and implementations in experiment [158–174]. The non-Markovian process proves to be useful in quantum information processing including quantum state engineering, quantum control, and quantum channel capacity [175,176]. With the different measures of non-Markovianities [177–184], the non-Markovian effects of the environments backacting on the system can be characterized by the excitation backflow between the system and its environment [185–190].

The above considerations motivate us to explore the following questions.

(i) How do we achieve UPB in the non-Markovian regime?

(ii) Under what condition will UPB disappear?

For this purpose, we propose a coupled-cavities scheme to realize UPB with the non-Markovian effect, where the two-photon pump and single-photon driving field respectively drive the dissipationless left cavity and Markovian dissipative right cavity. We derive the exact non-Markovian Heisenberg-Langevin equation and reduced master equation for the left cavity, which are mediated by two-photon pump and effective single-photon driving field. We analytically derive the optimal condition for UPB in the non-Markovian regime when the dissipation falls below a threshold, which coincides well with the numerical simulation by solving the master equation. The dissipation greater than the threshold corresponds to the Markovian regime, which can weaken UPB. Especially, UPB disappears for the left cavity due to the closed quantum interference paths being broken when the dissipation reaches infinity. The situation of both cavities having dissipations is also discussed. Finally, we extend the model to the general system involving a two-photon pumped left cavity coupling with noninteracting single-photon driven dissipative right cavities.

The remainder of the paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II, we introduce a model to describe the system under study consisting of the dissipationless left cavity and Markovian dissipative right cavity respectively mediated by two-photon pump and single-photon driving field. The optimal condition for UPB is derived. In Sec. III, we give the exact reduced non-Markovian Heisenberg-Langevin equation for the left cavity. In Sec. IV, the exact non-Markovian master equation for the left cavity is derived. In Sec. IV, we discuss UPB with the non-Markovian effect under the optimal condition. In Sec. V, we analytically derive the second-order correlation function and compare it with that derived by the numerical simulation. In Sec. VI, we discuss the situation where both cavities have dissipations. In Sec. VII, a two-photon pumped left cavity coupling with noninteracting single-photon driven dissipative right cavities is presented. Section VIII is devoted to conclusions.



FIG. 1. Setup for UPB with the non-Markovian effect. The left cavity (eigenfrequency  $\omega_a$ ) and right cavity (eigenfrequency  $\omega_b$ ) with the coupling strength *g* are mediated by the two-photon pump (strength *G* and frequency  $\omega_p$ ) [13,90,120–122,191–198] and single-photon driving field (strength *F* and frequency  $\omega_l$ ), respectively. The left cavity is assumed to have no photon leakage (also see discussions for the dissipation to the left cavity in Sec. VI), while the right cavity has the dissipation  $\gamma$  with the Markovian approximation.

### **II. MODEL AND UPB**

#### A. Markovian master equation for the system

To present the model to realize UPB with the non-Markovian effect, we consider that the system under study is composed of two coupled cavities outlined in Fig. 1, where the left cavity (cavity *a*) is mediated by two-photon pump [199,200], while the right cavity (cavity *b*) is driven by single-photon driving field. The Hamiltonian reads ( $\hbar \equiv 1$ )

$$\hat{H}_{0} = \omega_{a} \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \omega_{b} \hat{b}^{\dagger} \hat{b} + G(\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} e^{-i\omega_{p}t - 2i\theta} + \hat{a}^{2} e^{i\omega_{p}t + 2i\theta}) + g(\hat{a} \hat{b}^{\dagger} + \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{b}) + F^{*} \hat{b} e^{i\omega_{l}t} + F \hat{b}^{\dagger} e^{-i\omega_{l}t},$$
(1)

where the first and second terms on the right-hand side describe the free Hamiltonian of the left cavity at eigenfrequency  $\omega_a$  and right cavity at eigenfrequency  $\omega_b$  with annihilation (creation) operators  $\hat{a}$  ( $\hat{a}^{\dagger}$ ) and  $\hat{b}$  ( $\hat{b}^{\dagger}$ ) satisfying the Bosonic commutation relations [ $\hat{a}$ ,  $\hat{a}^{\dagger}$ ] = 1 and [ $\hat{b}$ ,  $\hat{b}^{\dagger}$ ] = 1, respectively. The third term denotes the two-photon pump to the left cavity with frequency  $\omega_p$  and conversion rate *G*, whose possible realization can be found in Appendix A. The fourth term corresponds to the tunneling coupling between two cavities with the coupling strength *g*. The last two terms denote the single-photon driving field to the right cavity with amplitude  $F = f e^{-i\phi}$  (strength *f* and phase  $\phi$ ) and frequency  $\omega_l$ . In a rotating frame defined by  $U(t) = \exp[-i\omega_l t(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} + \hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b})]$  with  $\omega_p = 2\omega_l$ , the Hamiltonian (1) becomes

$$\hat{H}_{S} = \Delta_{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} + \Delta_{b}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b} + g(\hat{a}\hat{b}^{\dagger} + \hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{b}) + G(\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + \hat{a}^{2}) + F^{*}\hat{b} + F\hat{b}^{\dagger}, \qquad (2)$$

where  $\Delta_a = \omega_a - \omega_l$  and  $\Delta_b = \omega_b - \omega_l$  denote the detunings of the left and right cavities from the driving field, respectively. Below, we assume  $\Delta_a = \Delta_b \equiv \Delta$ . Here we note that the phase  $\theta$  in  $G(e^{-i2\theta}\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + e^{2i\theta}\hat{a}^2)$  of Eq. (1) can be absorbed into the relative phase  $\varphi - \theta$  in  $fe^{i(\phi-\theta)}\hat{b} + fe^{-i(\phi-\theta)}\hat{b}^{\dagger}$  found by the transformation  $\hat{a} \rightarrow \hat{a}e^{-i\theta}$  and  $b \rightarrow \hat{b}e^{-i\theta}$ . Therefore, we do not consider the phase  $\theta$  in the paper. In addition to the unitary evolution governed by the Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_S$  in Eq. (2), there is a loss due to photons leaking out of the right cavity, which is governed by the Markovian master equation

$$\dot{\rho}_{S} = -i[\hat{H}_{S}, \rho_{S}] + \gamma \left(\hat{b}\rho_{S}\hat{b}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b}\rho_{S} - \frac{1}{2}\rho_{S}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b}\right), \quad (3)$$

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where  $\gamma$  denotes the dissipation for the right cavity. Moreover, the discussion of imposing the dissipation to the left cavity can be found in Sec. VI.

The photon statistical properties of the left cavity can be characterized by the steady second-order correlation function

$$g^{(2)}(0) = \frac{\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \hat{a} \rangle}{\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle^{2}} = \frac{\operatorname{Tr}_{S}(\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \hat{a} \bar{\rho}_{S})}{\left[\operatorname{Tr}_{S}(\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \bar{\rho}_{S})\right]^{2}},\tag{4}$$

where  $\bar{\rho}_s$  denotes the steady density matrix satisfying  $\dot{\bar{\rho}}_s = 0$  in Eq. (3). The conditions  $g^{(2)}(0) < 1$  and  $g^{(2)}(0) > 1$  correspond to the photon antibunching and bunching effects, respectively. The limit  $g^{(2)}(0) \rightarrow 0$  indicates the photon blockade of the left cavity, where only one photon can be excited in the left cavity.

#### **B.** Optimal condition for UPB

In order to give the optimal condition for the photon antibunching and understand the origin of UPB with the non-Markovian effect, we consider only the zero-, one-, and two-photon states under the weak driving condition. Assuming that the system is initially prepared in the vacuum state  $|0, 0\rangle$ , the steady state of the system can be written as [27,89]

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{\psi}\rangle &= \bar{E}_{00}|0,0\rangle + \bar{E}_{01}|0,1\rangle + \bar{E}_{10}|1,0\rangle \\ &+ \bar{E}_{11}|1,1\rangle + \bar{E}_{02}|0,2\rangle + \bar{E}_{20}|2,0\rangle, \end{aligned}$$
(5)

where  $\overline{E}_{mn}$  denotes the steady probability amplitude on  $|m, n\rangle = |m\rangle_a \otimes |n\rangle_b$  with the left and right cavities respectively having *m* and *n* photons.

Under the weak driving condition, we have  $|\bar{E}_{00}| \gg |\bar{E}_{10}|, |\bar{E}_{01}| \gg |\bar{E}_{11}|, |\bar{E}_{02}|, |\bar{E}_{20}|$ . With Eqs. (4) and (5), the steady second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0) \simeq \langle \bar{\psi} | \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \hat{a} \hat{a} | \bar{\psi} \rangle / \langle \bar{\psi} | \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} | \bar{\psi} \rangle^2 \simeq 2 |\bar{E}_{20}|^2 / |\bar{E}_{10}|^4 = 0$  by setting  $\bar{E}_{20} = 0$  in Eq. (B1) leads to the optimal condition

$$\begin{split} \Delta_{\text{opt}} &= \pm \sqrt{\mathcal{Y}},\\ \sin 2\phi_{\text{opt}} &= \frac{G\gamma \left[ 2(10g^2 - \gamma^2)\Delta_{\text{opt}}^2 - 32\Delta_{\text{opt}}^4 + g^2 l_{0.5} \right]}{2f^2 g^2 \left(\gamma^2 + 16\Delta_{\text{opt}}^2\right)},\\ \cos 2\phi_{\text{opt}} &= \frac{G \left[ (32g^4 - l_1\gamma^2)\Delta_{\text{opt}} - 12l_1\Delta_{\text{opt}}^3 + 64\Delta_{\text{opt}}^5 \right]}{4f^2 g^2 \left(\gamma^2 + 16\Delta_{\text{opt}}^2\right)}, \end{split}$$

with  $l_x = \gamma^2 + 8xg^2$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  being determined by the quintic equation

$$\bar{m}\mathcal{Y}^5 + \bar{n}\mathcal{Y}^4 + \bar{o}\mathcal{Y}^3 + \bar{p}\mathcal{Y}^2 + \bar{q}\mathcal{Y} + \bar{r} = 0,$$
(7)

where the expressions for these coefficients  $\bar{m}$ ,  $\bar{n}$ ,  $\bar{o}$ ,  $\bar{p}$ ,  $\bar{q}$ ,  $\bar{r}$ and derivation of Eq. (6) can be found in Appendix B. We point out that the vanishing population on the two-photon state  $|2, 0\rangle$  occurs and then the strong photon antibunching can be obtained [i.e.,  $g^{(2)}(0) \rightarrow 0$ ] if the detuning  $\Delta$  and phase  $\phi$  simultaneously take their optimal values  $\Delta = \Delta_{opt}$ and  $\phi = \phi_{opt}$  in Eq. (6), otherwise the left cavity is not in the strong photon antibunching regime. The optimal condition (6) for strong photon antibunching photons of the left cavity depends on the controllable parameters of the system such as the frequency detuning  $\Delta$ , the loss  $\gamma$ , and the phase  $\phi$  with the other parameters g, G, and f fixed.



FIG. 2. The influences of the dissipation  $\gamma$  on UPB with the second-order correlation function  $[g^{(2)}(0)$  in log scale] as a function of the phase  $\phi$  (in units of rad) by numerically solving master equation (3).  $\Delta$  takes its negative optimal value, i.e.,  $\Delta_{opt} = (-1.597 \, 82\omega_a, -1.591 \, 49\omega_a, -1.580 \, 92\omega_a, -1.566 \, 97\omega_a)$ respectively corresponding to  $\gamma = (0.2\omega_a, 0.4\omega_a, 0.6\omega_a, 0.79\omega_a)$ . The other parameters chosen are  $g = 0.2\omega_a$ ,  $G = 0.0001\omega_a$ , and  $f = 0.1\omega_a$ .

We use the optimal condition in Eq. (6) and second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0)$  by numerically solving master equation (3) as a function of the phase  $\phi$  with different dissipation  $\gamma$  to understand the extreme points in Figs. 2–5. Here we show that the optimal parameters ( $\Delta_{opt}, \phi_{opt}$ ) have four real solutions within a period for the optimal phase ( $-\pi\leqslant$  $\phi_{\text{opt}} \leq \pi$ ), e.g.,  $(\Delta_{\text{opt}}, \phi_{\text{opt}}) = (-1.597\,82\omega_a, -1.507\,42 \text{ rad}),$  $(-1.597\,82\omega_a, 1.634\,16 \text{ rad}), (1.597\,82\omega_a, -0.063\,36 \text{ rad}),$ and (1.597 82 $\omega_a$ , 3.078 22 rad) for the dissipation  $\gamma = 0.2\omega_a$ with the other parameters fixed in Figs. 2 and 3. Similar situations exist in other figures. In Figs. 2 and 3, we find that the phase  $\phi$  corresponding to the second-order correlation function arriving at its minimum is shifted with the change of the dissipation  $\gamma$ . To be specific, the position of  $\phi$  moves right with the increase of dissipation  $\gamma$  under  $\Delta_{opt} \leq 0$  in Fig. 2, while the position of  $\phi$  deviates left with the increase of dissipation  $\gamma$  under  $\Delta_{opt} \ge 0$  in Fig. 3. Moreover, the second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0)$  clearly shows that the antibunching effect occurs when the dissipation  $\gamma$  is not



FIG. 3. The figure  $[g^{(2)}(0)$  in log scale] shows the case of taking the positive optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt} = (1.597\,82\omega_a, 1.591\,49\omega_a, 1.580\,92\omega_a, 1.566\,97\omega_a)$  vs  $\gamma = (0.2\omega_a, 0.4\omega_a, 0.6\omega_a, 0.79\omega_a)$ . The phase  $\phi$  is in units of rad. The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 2.



FIG. 4. The influences of the large dissipation  $\gamma = (0.81\omega_a, 1\omega_a, 10\omega_a, 50\omega_a, 130\omega_a, 199\omega_a)$  on UPB [ $g^{(2)}(0)$  in log scale], where the negative optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt} = (-1.565 28\omega_a, -1.547 12\omega_a, -0.159 64\omega_a, -0.006 20\omega_a, -0.000 72\omega_a, -0.000 04\omega_a)$ . The phase  $\phi$  is in units of rad. The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 2.

too large, e.g.,  $\gamma < 0.8\omega_a$  and  $g^{(2)}(0)$  arrives at  $10^{-4}$ , where the photon antibunching effect of the system becomes very obvious with small dissipation  $\gamma$ . This indicates that the photon blockade effect in our system can be used to convert the coherent driving pump laser into a single-photon stream.

In Figs. 4 and 5, there is also a phenomenon of the phase  $\phi$  shifted by adjusting the detuning  $\Delta_{\text{opt}} \leq 0$  or not. However, an important difference compared with Figs. 2 and 3 is that the minimum value of  $g^{(2)}(0)$  becomes higher with the increase of dissipation  $\gamma$ , where the minimum value of  $g^{(2)}(0)$  arrives at  $g^{(2)}(0) \geq 1$  when the dissipation  $\gamma$  is large enough. We find that the antibunching effect not only can be obtained, but also the strong bunching effect can be observed in optimal regimes, which leads to controllability of UPB by adjusting the value of the dissipation  $\gamma$ .



FIG. 5. The figure  $[g^{(2)}(0)$  in log scale] shows the case of the positive optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt} = (1.56528\omega_a, 1.54712\omega_a, 0.15964\omega_a, 0.00620\omega_a, 0.00072\omega_a, 0.00004\omega_a)$  vs  $\gamma = (0.81\omega_a, 1\omega_a, 10\omega_a, 50\omega_a, 130\omega_a, 199\omega_a)$ . The phase  $\phi$  is in units of rad. The other parameters chosen are the same as Fig. 4.



FIG. 6. Energy-level diagram with the zero-, one-, and twophoton states and transition paths leading to the quantum interference responsible for the strong photon antibunching. For the left cavity, the destructive quantum interference processes occur in the following two paths: (i) the direct excitation via two-photon pump in Eq. (8) and (ii) the indirect transitions by single-photon driving field and tunneling coupling in Eqs. (9) and (10).

#### C. Physical origin of strong photon antibunching

In Fig. 6, we show the energy levels and transition paths, which are produced by two-photon pump and single-photon driving field, respectively. The physical origin of strong photon antibunching is the destructive interference between direct and indirect paths of two-photon excitations, i.e.,

$$|0,0\rangle \xrightarrow{G} |2,0\rangle,$$
 (8)

$$|0,0\rangle \xrightarrow{F} |0,1\rangle \xrightarrow{F} |0,2\rangle \xrightarrow{g} |1,1\rangle \xrightarrow{g} |2,0\rangle,$$
(9)

$$|0,0\rangle \xrightarrow{F} |0,1\rangle \xrightarrow{g} |1,0\rangle \xrightarrow{F} |1,1\rangle \xrightarrow{g} |2,0\rangle,$$
 (10)

which lead to a closed quantum interference path forming and are responsible for the strong photon antibunching. In this case, the destructive interference occurs when the contributions of states  $|0, 0\rangle$  and  $|1, 1\rangle$  to the two-photon state  $|2, 0\rangle$  exactly cancel each other, i.e.,  $G\bar{E}_{00} + g\bar{E}_{11} = 0$  (or  $\bar{E}_{11} = -G\bar{E}_{00}/g$ ), together with the fifth equation of Eq. (B1)

$$\sqrt{2G\bar{E}_{00}} + \sqrt{2g\bar{E}_{11}} + 2\Delta\bar{E}_{20} = 0, \tag{11}$$

inducing two-photon probability amplitude  $\bar{E}_{20} = 0$ . The condition for the coefficients  $\bar{E}_{00}$ ,  $\bar{E}_{01}$ ,  $\bar{E}_{10}$ , and  $\bar{E}_{02}$  in Eq. (B1) to have nontrivial solutions is that the determinant of the coefficient matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} F & \Delta - i\gamma/2 & g & 0\\ 0 & g & \Delta & 0\\ G(i\gamma/2 - 2\Delta)/g & 0 & F & \sqrt{2}g\\ -\sqrt{2}G & \sqrt{2}F & 0 & 2\Delta - i\gamma \end{pmatrix}$$
(12)

equals zero, which results in the optimal condition (B2). Moreover, if the system parameters satisfy the optimal condition (6), the destructive interference occurs, which causes the vanishing population on the two-photon state  $|2, 0\rangle$ .

To be specific, with  $\gamma = 0.2\omega_a$ ,  $g = 0.2\omega_a$ ,  $G = 0.0001\omega_a$ , and  $f = 0.1\omega_a$ , we obtain the optimal parameters through

Eq. (6) as  $(\Delta_{\text{opt}}, \phi_{\text{opt}}) = (-1.597 \, 82\omega_a, -1.507 \, 42 \, \text{rad}),$  $(-1.597 82\omega_a, 1.634 16 \text{ rad}), (1.597 82\omega_a, -0.063 36 \text{ rad}),$ and  $(1.597\,82\omega_a, 3.078\,22 \text{ rad})$  within  $(-\pi \leq \phi_{\text{opt}} \leq \pi)$ . With the fixed optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt} = -1.597 82 \omega_a$ , we find that the second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0)$  gets the minimum values  $2.628 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $2.58 \times 10^{-4}$  at two optimized phases  $\phi = -1.50742$  and 1.63416 rad in the red circle of Fig. 2, where both sets of parameters  $\Delta_{\text{opt}} = -1.597\,82\omega_a$  and  $\phi = -1.507\,42$  rad as well as  $\Delta_{\text{opt}} = -1.59782\omega_a$  and  $\phi = 1.63416$  rad meet the optimal condition (6), i.e.,  $\sin 2\phi = G\gamma[2(10g^2 - \gamma^2)\Delta_{\text{opt}}^2 - 32\Delta_{\text{opt}}^4 + g^2 l_{0.5}]/[2f^2g^2(\gamma^2 + 16\Delta_{\text{opt}}^2)] = -0.126$ and  $\cos 2\phi = G[(32g^4 - l_1\gamma^2)\Delta_{\text{opt}} - 12l_1\Delta_{\text{opt}}^3 + 64\Delta_{\text{opt}}^5]/$  $[4f^2g^2(\gamma^2 + 16\Delta_{opt}^2)] = -0.992$ , which lead to the destructive interference occurring [as a consequence,  $G\bar{E}_{00} + g\bar{E}_{11} = 0$ ,  $\bar{E}_{20} = 0$ , and  $g^{(2)}(0) = 0$ ]. For the fixed optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt} = 1.597 \, 82\omega_a$ , two optimal phases  $\phi = -0.06336$  and 3.07822 rad also satisfying Eq. (6) can be respectively observed at the minimum values of the second-order correlation function in the red circle of Fig. 3.

At the nonoptimized phases in the red circle of Fig. 2 with the fixed optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt} = -1.597 82\omega_a$ , e.g.,  $\phi = 0$ , the second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0) = 3.982$  corresponds to the photon bunching effect. This originates from the fact that two paths composed of  $|0, 0\rangle$  and  $|1, 1\rangle$  do not induce the destructive interference [consequently,  $G\bar{E}_{00} + g\bar{E}_{11} \neq 0$ ,  $\bar{E}_{20} \neq 0$ , and  $g^{(2)}(0) \neq 0$ ], where the parameters  $\Delta_{opt} =$  $-1.597 82\omega_a$  and  $\phi = 0$  violate the optimal condition (6), i.e.,  $\sin 2\phi = 0$  does not equal  $G\gamma[2(10g^2 - \gamma^2)\Delta_{opt}^2 32\Delta_{opt}^4 + g^2 l_{0.5}]/[2f^2g^2(\gamma^2 + 16\Delta_{opt}^2)] = -0.126$ , and  $\cos 2\phi = 1$  does not equal  $G[(32g^4 - l_1\gamma^2)\Delta_{opt} - 12l_1\Delta_{opt}^3 +$  $64\Delta_{opt}^5]/[4f^2g^2(\gamma^2 + 16\Delta_{opt}^2)] = -0.992$ .

### III. EXACT NON-MARKOVIAN HEISENBERG-LANGEVIN EQUATION FOR THE LEFT CAVITY

Through the equivalence between the Markovian master equation (3) and Heisenberg-Langevin equation (C1) for the environment being initially prepared in the vacuum state (see Appendix C for more details), we can derive the exact non-Markovian Heisenberg-Langevin equation for the left cavity. To be specific, the system operator  $\hat{A}(t) = e^{i\hat{H}_T t} \hat{A}(0)e^{-i\hat{H}_T t}$  satisfies the Heisenberg-Langevin equation (C1) with

$$\hat{H}_T = \hat{H}_S + \hat{H}_R + \hat{H}_I, \tag{13}$$

where  $\hat{H}_I = i \sum_k V_k (\hat{e}_k^{\dagger} \hat{b} - \hat{b}^{\dagger} \hat{e}_k)$  (interaction Hamiltonian between right cavity and Markovian environment with coupling strength  $V_k = \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi}$  and decay rate  $\gamma$ ),  $\hat{H}_R = \sum_k (\omega_k - \omega_l) \hat{e}_k^{\dagger} \hat{e}_k$  (free Hamiltonian of Markovian environment) with  $[\hat{e}_k, \hat{e}_{k'}^{\dagger}] = \delta_{kk'}$ .  $\hat{H}_S$  in Eq. (13) is determined by Eq. (2). Equation (C1) gives

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{a} = -i\Delta\hat{a} - ig\hat{b} - 2iG\hat{a}^{\dagger}, \qquad (14)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{b} = -i\Delta\hat{b} - ig\hat{a} - iF - \frac{\gamma}{2}\hat{b} - \sqrt{\gamma}\hat{e}_{\rm in}(t), \quad (15)$$

where  $\hat{e}_{in}(t) = \sum_{k} e^{-i(\omega_k - \omega_l)t} \hat{e}_k / \sqrt{2\pi}$  meets  $[\hat{e}_{in}(t), \hat{e}_{in}^{\dagger}(t')] = \langle \hat{e}_{in}(t) \hat{e}_{in}^{\dagger}(t') \rangle = \delta(t - t')$  with the environment initially being

prepared in the vacuum state. Solving Eq. (15) for  $\hat{b}(t)$ yields  $\hat{b}(t) = \hat{b}(0)e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})t} - ig \int_0^t \hat{a}(\tau)e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})(t-\tau)}d\tau - iF \int_0^t e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})(t-\tau)}d\tau - \sqrt{\gamma} \int_0^t \hat{e}_{in}(\tau)e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})(t-\tau)}d\tau$ . Substituting  $\hat{b}(t)$  into Eq. (14), we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{a} = -i\Delta\hat{a} - 2iG\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \int_{0}^{t} f(t-\tau)\hat{a}(\tau)d\tau$$
$$-iF_{\text{eff}}(t) - i\hat{R}(t), \qquad (16)$$

where the operator for the non-Markovian composite environment (including right cavity plus its Markovian environment)  $\hat{R}(t) = g\hat{b}(0)e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})t} - g\sqrt{\gamma}$   $\int_{0}^{t} \hat{e}_{in}(\tau)e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})(t-\tau)}d\tau$ , memory function  $f(t) = g^{2}e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})t}$ , and effective single-photon driving field  $F_{eff}(t) = -igF\int_{0}^{t}e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})(t-\tau)}d\tau$ . Considering the linearity of Eq. (16), the cavity operator  $\hat{a}(t)$ can be expressed in terms of the initial operators as

$$\hat{a}(t) = u(t)\hat{a}(0) + v(t)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(0) + \hat{c}(t), \qquad (17)$$

where the time-dependent coefficients are determined by substituting Eq. (17) into Eq. (16):

$$\dot{u}(t) = -i\Delta u(t) - \int_0^t f(t-\tau)u(\tau)d\tau - 2iGv^*(t),$$
  

$$\dot{v}(t) = -i\Delta v(t) - \int_0^t f(t-\tau)v(\tau)d\tau - 2iGu^*(t),$$
  

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{c}(t) = -i\Delta\hat{c}(t) - \int_0^t f(t-\tau)\hat{c}(\tau)d\tau - 2iG\hat{c}^{\dagger}(t)$$
  

$$-iF_{\text{eff}}(t) - i\hat{R}(t),$$
(18)

subjected to the initial condition u(0) = 1, v(0) = 0, and  $\hat{c}(0) = 0$ .  $\hat{c}(t)$  can be analytically derived from the inhomogeneous integrodifferential equation (18):

$$\hat{c}(t) = \hat{\alpha}(t) + \beta(t), \tag{19}$$

dissipation and coherent contribution where the  $\hat{\alpha}(t) = i \int_0^t d\tau [v(t-\tau)\hat{R}^{\dagger}(\tau) - u(t-\tau)\hat{R}(\tau)] \text{ and } \beta(t) =$  $i \int_0^t d\tau [v(t-\tau)F_{\text{eff}}^*(t) - u(t-\tau)F_{\text{eff}}(t)]$ , respectively. The first term  $\hat{\alpha}(t)$  and second term  $\beta(t)$  of Eq. (19) denote the influences of the non-Markovian composite environment (right cavity plus its Markovian environment) and effective single-photon driving field on the dynamics for the left cavity, respectively. One is that the driving field forces the left cavity to tend to coherence, while the other is that the non-Markovian composite environment causes the system to dissipate. When the left cavity interacts with the composite environment composed of the right cavity (i.e., as a pseudomode [201-213]) and a Markovian environment, the dynamics of the left cavity behaves as the dissipation or the backflow oscillation of the photon from the composite environment, where the former corresponds to the Markovian approximation, while the latter exhibits non-Markovian effects. The derivation of Eq. (19) can be found in Appendix D.

In Fig. 7, we plot the transition paths of the left cavity with the non-Markovian regime and Markovian limit. Two transitions can form the destructive quantum interference paths when the dissipation  $\gamma$  is small enough in the non-Markovian regime with the second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0) \ll 1$ 



FIG. 7. (a) The two-photon pump and single-photon driving field respectively mediating the dissipationless left cavity and Markovian dissipative right cavity are equivalent to the fact that the twophoton pumped left cavity couples with a driven non-Markovian environment [see Eq. (20) and Appendix E for more details]. In other words, the parts outside the left cavity can be considered as a non-Markovian composite environment [right cavity plus its Markovian environment, see Eq. (13)], which corresponds to the pseudomode theory [201-213]. (b) Energy-level diagram of the left cavity with the zero-, one-, and two-photon states and transition paths leading to the quantum interference responsible for the strong photon antibunching. There are two interference paths occurring in the left cavity from  $|0\rangle_a$  to  $|2\rangle_a$  in the non-Markovian regime: (i)  $|0\rangle_a \xrightarrow{G} |2\rangle_a$  excited by two-photon pump with strength G and (ii)  $|0\rangle_a \xrightarrow{F_{\text{eff}}} |1\rangle_a \xrightarrow{F_{\text{eff}}} |2\rangle_a$  driven by effective single-photon driving field with strength  $F_{\rm eff}$ . However, there is only one path from  $|0\rangle_a$  to  $|2\rangle_a$  mediated by two-photon pump when the dissipation tends to infinity under the Markovian limit, where  $F_{\rm eff}$  is close to zero.

in Fig. 7(b). In the case, the steady effective single-photon driving field equals  $\bar{F}_{eff} = -igF/(i\Delta + \gamma/2)$ , which meets the interference condition  $G = 10^{-4}\omega_a \sim |\bar{F}|_{eff}^2 = 1.5 \times 10^{-4}\omega_a^2$  at  $\Delta_{opt} = -1.597 82\omega_a$  and  $\gamma = 0.2\omega_a$  for the red circle in Fig. 2. This means photons of the dissipative right cavity could flow back to the left cavity via the coupling strength g, which causes UPB in the non-Markovian regime together with the direct excitation by two-photon pump. With the increase of dissipation  $\gamma$ , especially, when the dissipation  $\gamma$  goes to infinity for the bad cavity limit [214–220] under the Markovian limit, the effective single-photon driving field  $F_{eff}$  is close to zero in Fig. 7(c). It indicates that only one transition exists under the Markovian limit and the closed quantum interference path is broken (e.g.,  $G = 10^{-4}\omega_a \gg |\bar{F}|_{eff}^2 = 4 \times 10^{-8}\omega_a^2$  for  $\Delta_{opt} = -0.00004\omega_a$  and  $\gamma = 199\omega_a$  for the black line in Fig. 4), which leads to photon bunching occurring.

### IV. EXACT NON-MARKOVIAN MASTER EQUATION FOR THE LEFT CAVITY

In Appendix E, we have proved that the total Hamiltonian (13) is equivalent to the two-photon pumped left cavity interacting with a driven non-Markovian composite environment (consisting of the right cavity plus its Markovian environment), whose Hamiltonian reads

$$\hat{H}_{T} = \Delta \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + G(\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + \hat{a}^{2}) + \sum_{j} \chi_{j} \hat{B}_{j}^{\dagger} \hat{B}_{j} + \sum_{j} \mu_{j}^{*} \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{B}_{j} + \mu_{j} \hat{B}_{j}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \sum_{j} \nu_{j}^{*} \hat{B}_{j} + \sum_{j} \nu_{j} \hat{B}_{j}^{\dagger}, \qquad (20)$$

where the dressed annihilation operator  $\hat{B}_j$  satisfies the Bosonic orthogonal-normalization relation. The coupling coefficient and driving strength are  $\mu_j = g\alpha_j$  and  $\nu_j = F\alpha_j$ , respectively.  $\alpha_j$  and  $\chi_j$  are determined by Eq. (E4). The initial state (C2) and total Hamiltonian (20) remain linear and Gaussian and allow exact integration [121,128,154,157,221–231], which makes the reduced density matrix  $\rho = \text{Tr}_b \rho_s$  also a Gaussian. With the conservation of trace ( $\text{Tr}\dot{\rho} = 0$ ) and Hermiticity ( $\rho = \rho^{\dagger}$ ), we obtain the exact reduced non-Markovian master equation for the left cavity:

$$\dot{\rho} = -i[\hat{\mathcal{H}}(t), \rho] + \kappa_1(t) (\hat{a}\rho \hat{a}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\rho - \frac{1}{2}\rho \hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}) + \kappa_2(t) (\frac{1}{2}\hat{a}\rho \hat{a}^{\dagger} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\rho \hat{a} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\rho - \frac{1}{2}\rho \hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger}) + [\kappa_3^*(t) (\hat{a}\rho \hat{a} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{a}\hat{a}\rho - \frac{1}{2}\rho \hat{a}\hat{a}) + \text{H.c.}], \quad (21)$$

with the time-dependent effective Hamiltonian

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}(t) = X(t)\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} + [Y(t)\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + Z(t)\hat{a}^{\dagger} + \text{H.c.}], \quad (22)$$

where the time-dependent coefficients in Eq. (21) can be found in Eq. (F3) in Appendix F. Now we discuss the physical meaning of the time-dependent coefficients in the exact non-Markovian master equation (21) as follows.

(i) The first term in Eq. (22) accounts for the free dynamics of the left cavity, where  $X(t) = \Delta + \delta \omega(t)$  with  $\delta \omega(t) = \text{Im}[u^*(t) \int_0^t f(t - \tau)u(\tau)d\tau - v^*(t) \int_0^t f(t - \tau)v(\tau)d\tau]/\vartheta(t)$  obtained by Eqs. (18) and (F3) is modified by the frequency shift  $\delta \omega(t)$  owing to the left cavity coupling with the composite environment.

(ii) The second term in Eq. (22) denotes the two-photon process, which originates from the two-photon pump (conversion rate *G*) to the left cavity in Eq. (2).

(iii) The third term in Eq. (22) is a coherent term, which denotes the effective driving to the left cavity, where the effective driving strength Z(t) is affected by the interaction between the left cavity and composite environment.

(iv)  $\kappa_1(t)$  in Eq. (21) is a time-dependent damping rate, which denotes the dissipation in the left cavity induced by the composite environment.

(v)  $\kappa_2(t)$  in Eq. (21) is the fluctuation (noise) coefficient due to the backreaction between the left cavity and composite environment.

(vi)  $\kappa_3(t)$  in Eq. (21) denotes the incoherent two-photon pump rate, which is induced by the interaction between the



FIG. 8. |u(t)| in Eq. (18) as a function of the time t with different dissipation  $\gamma$  from  $0.2\omega_a$  to  $0.7\omega_a$ , which lies in the non-Markovian regime. The solid lines and circles correspond to  $G = 0.0001\omega_a$  and 0, respectively. The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 2.

two-photon pump (conversion rate G) in Eq. (2) and the left cavity.

In order to explain interesting phenomena in the non-Markovian regime in Figs. 2 and 3 compared with those in the Markovian regime in Figs. 4 and 5, we plot |u(t)| in Eq. (18) as a function of the time t with the different dissipation  $\gamma$  in Figs. 8–10, which are discussed as follows.

(i) In Fig. 8, we find that |u(t)| changes from oscillating to damping when the dissipation exceeds a threshold with the fixed two-photon pump  $G = 0.0001\omega_a$  (marked by solid lines), which is consistent with that at G = 0 (marked by cir-



FIG. 9. |u(t)| as a function of the time *t* with different dissipation  $\gamma$  taking  $0.7\omega_a \ 0.75\omega_a$ ,  $0.79\omega_a$ , and  $0.81\omega_a$  near the threshold  $\gamma = 0.8\omega_a$ . The circles and solid lines correspond to Eq. (23) for G = 0 and Eq. (18) for  $G = 0.0001\omega_a$ , respectively. With Figs. 8 and 9, we find that |u(t)| exhibits the backflow oscillation of the photon from the non-Markovian composite environment for  $\gamma < 0.8\omega_a$ , while it displays decay in the Markovian regime when  $\gamma > 0.8\omega_a$ . The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 2.



FIG. 10. The figure corresponds to the Markovian regime, where the optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt}$  takes negative values. The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 4.

cles). This means that the weak two-photon pump has almost no influence on the properties of non-Markovianity for the left cavity. From Eq. (18) with the case for G = 0, we have

$$u(t) = e^{-0.25t(\gamma + 4i\Delta)} \left[ \cosh(0.25t\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 16g^2}) + \frac{\gamma \sinh(0.25t\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 16g^2})}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 16g^2}} \right], \quad \gamma > 4g,$$
$$u(t) = e^{-0.25t(\gamma + 4i\Delta)} \left[ \cos(0.25t\sqrt{16g^2 - \gamma^2}) + \frac{\gamma \sin(0.25t\sqrt{16g^2 - \gamma^2})}{\sqrt{16g^2 - \gamma^2}} \right], \quad \gamma < 4g,$$
$$u(t) = e^{-t(g + i\Delta)} (1 + gt), \quad \gamma = 4g, \qquad (23)$$

which indicate the existence of a threshold  $\gamma_{\rm cr} = 4g$ . With  $g = 0.2\omega_a$ , the threshold is calculated as  $\gamma_{\rm cr} = 0.8\omega_a$ , which can also be numerically confirmed by Figs. 8–10. In the non-Markovian regime  $\gamma < 0.8\omega_a$ , the left cavity is affected by the non-Markovian behavior [|u(t)|] exhibits the oscillation] in Figs. 8 and 9(a)-9(c), where there are photons coming from the right cavity backflow to the left cavity and UPB occurs in the non-Markovian regime in Figs. 2 and 3. This phenomenon can also be explained from the perspective of non-Markovian composite environmental memory time. The Lorentzian spectral density  $J(\omega)$  corresponding to the memory function  $f(t) = g^2 e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\nu}{2})t} \equiv \int J(\omega) e^{-i\omega t} d\omega$  in Eq. (16) reads

$$J(\omega) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{\lambda^2}{(\omega - \Delta)^2 + \lambda^2},$$
 (24)

where  $\lambda = \gamma/2$  and  $\Gamma = 4g^2/\gamma$ . The parameter  $\lambda$  defines the spectral width of the non-Markovian composite environment [136–143,185], which is connected to the non-Markovian composite environment memory time  $T_E = \lambda^{-1}$ , while the time scale  $T_S$  on the state of the system changing is given by  $T_S = \Gamma^{-1}$ .



FIG. 11. The dissipation rate  $\kappa_1(t)$  in Eq. (21) of the left cavity as a function of the time t with different dissipation  $\gamma$  taking  $0.2\omega_a$ ,  $0.5\omega_a$ , and  $0.78\omega_a$ , which correspond to the non-Markovian regime. The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 2.

When the memory time  $T_E$  of the non-Markovian composite environment is comparable to characteristic time  $T_S$  of the system (i.e.,  $T_E \sim T_S$ ) in the non-Markovian regime, the memory effect of the non-Markovian composite environment should be taken into account and the dynamics of the left cavity exhibits the backflow oscillation of the photon in Figs. 8 and 9(a)–9(c). In this case, the second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0)$  clearly shows that UPB occurs and arrives at  $10^{-4}$ in Figs. 2 and 3 with the dissipation  $\gamma < 0.8\omega_a$ .

(ii) With the increase of dissipation to  $\gamma > 0.8\omega_a$  (beyond the threshold  $\gamma_{cr} = 0.8\omega_a$ ) in the Markovian regime, the oscillation disappears and damping occurs in Figs. 9(d) and 10, where UPB becomes weak as shown in Figs. 4 and 5. Especially, UPB disappears and photon bunching  $[g^{(2)}(0) >$ 1] appears when the dissipation takes a sufficiently large value  $\gamma = 199\omega_a$  shown in black solid line in Figs. 4 and 5. This is because under the Markovian limit  $T_E \ll T_S$  (leading to  $\gamma \gg g$ , i.e., the memory time  $T_E$  of the non-Markovian composite environment is sufficiently shorter than characteristic time  $T_S$  of the system), we show  $f(t) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $F_{\text{eff}}(t) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\hat{R}(t) \rightarrow 0$  in Eq. (16), and  $|u(t)| \rightarrow 1$  in Eq. (18) when the dissipation approaches infinity  $(\gamma \rightarrow \infty)$  in the bad cavity limit [214–220]. In this case, there is no effective dissipation in the left cavity, but only a two-photon pump exists, i.e.,  $\dot{\rho}_S = -i[\Delta \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + G(\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + \hat{a}^2), \rho_S].$ 

(iii) From the above discussions in (i) and (ii), we find that the dissipation  $\gamma$  can characterize the properties of the non-Markovian composite environment [136–143,185]. On both sides of the threshold  $\gamma_{cr} = 0.8\omega_a$ , it can be determined whether the left cavity is non-Markovian or Markovian, which is the reason for the division between antibunching and bunching. In other words, UPB occurs in the non-Markovian regime ( $\gamma < 0.8\omega_a$ ), while it becomes weak for the dissipation  $\gamma > 0.8\omega_a$  and then disappears if  $\gamma \gg 0.8\omega_a$  (e.g.,  $\gamma = 199\omega_a$ ) in the Markovian regime.

(iv) Our purpose in deriving non-Markovian master equation (21) is to demonstrate that a coupled-cavities system with the dissipation  $\gamma$  leads to an exact non-Markovian master equation for the left cavity, which can explain the photon blockade phenomena in Figs. 2–5 with non-Markovian effects through Figs. 11–13. To be specific, the dissipation rate  $\kappa_1(t)$ 



FIG. 12. The figure shows the dissipation rate  $\kappa_1(t)$  in Eq. (21) in the Markovian regime, where the optimal detuning  $\Delta_{opt}$  takes negative values. The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 4.

in the exact non-Markovian master equation (21) is a periodic function of time in Fig. 11 and takes negative values sometimes. In particular,  $\kappa_1(t)$  has discrete singular points where the left cavity gains photons from the non-Markovian composite environment, which is a typical feature of non-Markovianity [137,160,161,177,178]. With the increase of the dissipation  $\gamma$  (greater than  $0.8\omega_a$ ) in Fig. 12,  $\kappa_1(t)$  varies from oscillation to a finite steady value. When the dissipation  $\gamma$ goes to infinity, the dissipation rate  $\kappa_1(t)$  and single-photon driving field  $F_{\rm eff}(t)$  tend to zero, which corresponds to the Markovian limit and means no photons flow back to the left cavity, where the photon bunching effect happens. Moreover, we find that the two-photon term |Y(t)| is close to the square of coherent driving term |Z(t)| in Fig. 13(a), which leads to the forming of the destructive quantum interference paths in Fig. 2 [UPB appears in the minimum value of  $g^{(2)}(0)$  for the red circle], while  $|Y(t)| = 10^{-4} \omega_a \gg |Z(t)|^2 = 10^{-9} \omega_a$  in Fig. 4 breaks the quantum interference paths (photon bunching occurs) in Fig. 13(b).



FIG. 13. In order to further understand the origin of UPB for the left cavity with the non-Markovian effect, we in this figure plot the time-dependent coefficients in the exact non-Markovian master equation (21): effective transition frequency |X(t)|, two-photon term |Y(t)|, coherent driving term |Z(t)|, decay rate  $|\kappa_1(t)|$ , fluctuation (noise) coefficient  $|\kappa_2(t)|$ , and squeezing rate  $|\kappa_3(t)|$  as a function of the time t. Figure 13(a) takes  $\Delta_{opt} = -1.597 82\omega_a$ ,  $\phi_{opt} = -1.507 42$  rad, and  $\gamma = 0.2\omega_a$  in Fig. 2, while  $\Delta_{opt} =$  $-0.000 04\omega_a$ ,  $\phi_{opt} = -2.406 19$  rad, and  $\gamma = 199\omega_a$  in Fig. 4 correspond to Fig. 13(b). The other parameters chosen are  $g = 0.2\omega_a$ ,  $G = 0.0001\omega_a$ , and  $f = 0.1\omega_a$ .



FIG. 14. The second-order correlation function  $[g^{(2)}(0)$  in log scale] of the left cavity as a function of the phase  $\phi$  (in units of rad) with the different dissipations  $\gamma = 0.2\omega_a$ ,  $0.4\omega_a$ ,  $0.6\omega_a$ , and  $0.79\omega_a$  for (a)–(d) in the non-Markovian regime. The red circles indicate the approximate analytical result (26), while the blue stars correspond to the numerical simulation by solving master equation (3). The other parameters chosen are the same as those in Fig. 2.

### V. ANALYTICAL EXPRESSIONS FOR THE SECOND-ORDER CORRELATION FUNCTION

In this section, we derive an approximate analytical expression for the second-order correlation function and compare it with the numerical simulation by solving master equation (3). To approximately obtain the analytical solution of the second-order correlation function, we need to estimate Eq. (3). Under the weak driving condition, we have  $|\vec{E}_{00}| \gg |\vec{E}_{10}|$ ,  $|\vec{E}_{01}| \gg |\vec{E}_{11}|$ ,  $|\vec{E}_{02}|$ ,  $|\vec{E}_{20}|$  and assume that the vacuum state is approximately occupied with  $\vec{E}_{00} = 1$  in Eq. (B1). By solving Eq. (B1), we obtain  $(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\vec{E}_{01} + g\vec{E}_{10} = -F$ ,  $g\vec{E}_{01} + \Delta\vec{E}_{10} = 0$ ,  $F\vec{E}_{10} + (2\Delta - i\gamma/2)\vec{E}_{11} + \sqrt{2}g\vec{E}_{02} + \sqrt{2}g\vec{E}_{20} = 0$ ,  $F\vec{E}_{01} + g\vec{E}_{11} + \sqrt{2}(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\vec{E}_{02} = 0$ , and  $g\vec{E}_{11} + \sqrt{2}\Delta\vec{E}_{20} = -G$ , which lead to

$$\bar{E}_{10} = \frac{gF}{(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\Delta - g^2},$$
  
$$\bar{E}_{20} = -\frac{G[(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\Delta - g^2](\Delta - i\gamma/2) - g^2F^2}{\sqrt{2}[(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\Delta - g^2]^2}.$$
 (25)

With Eq. (25), we can obtain the approximate analytical expression of the second-order correlation function:

$$g^{(2)}(0) \simeq \frac{G^2 |[(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\Delta - g^2](\Delta - i\gamma/2) - g^2 F^2|^2}{g^4 F^4}.$$
(26)

In order to compare the approximate analytical solution with the numerical solution of the second-order correlation function, we plot  $g^{(2)}(0)$  as a function of the phase  $\phi$  in Fig. 14. The red circles indicate the approximate analytical result (26), while the blue stars correspond to the numerical simulation by solving master equation (3). We find that the approximate analytical results of the second-order correlation function show good agreement with those obtained by the numerical simulation.

Our analytical method is developed to find the optimal parameters ( $\Delta_{opt}, \phi_{opt}$ ) that minimize the second-order ation function where a truncation of the Hilbert space to two photons is used. Therefore the analytical solution (26) of the second-order correlation function is inaccurate when the photon number is large. However, as shown in Fig. 14, the optimal values are the same as those from the numerical solution by solving master equation (3), which demonstrates the feasibility of our analytical method.

From Fig. 14, we observe that the second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0)$  has slight differences between the analytical solution and numerical simulation. The reason leading to this difference is that the Hilbert space is truncated into the finite dimension in the analytical derivation. On the other hand, when we substitute the optimal condition given by Eq. (6)into the analytical solution of  $g^{(2)}(0)$  in Eq. (26), we find  $g^{(2)}(0) \rightarrow 0$  due to  $\bar{E}_{20} \rightarrow 0$  as predicted. However, in the numerical calculation for  $g^{(2)}(0)$ , the multiphoton state  $|m, n\rangle$  $(m + n \ge 3)$  is actually occupied with the very small probability in the weak driving limit, which has been ignored in the analytical analysis. Overall, we do not take the multiphoton state  $|m, n\rangle$   $(m + n \ge 3)$  into account in Eq. (5). This is the essential reason leading to the very small difference between the analytical result and numerical simulation for the secondorder correlation function.

### VI. DISCUSSION ON THE EXISTENCE OF DISSIPATIONS IN BOTH CAVITIES

Considering the dissipation  $\gamma_1$  in the left cavity, we give the Markovian master equation for coupled cavities and corresponding non-Markovian Heisenberg-Langevin equation for the left cavity:

$$\dot{\rho}_{S} = -i[\hat{H}_{S}, \rho_{S}] + \gamma_{1} \left( \hat{a}\rho_{S}\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\rho_{S} - \frac{1}{2}\rho_{S}\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} \right) + \gamma \left( \hat{b}\rho_{S}\hat{b}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b}\rho_{S} - \frac{1}{2}\rho_{S}\hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b} \right), \frac{d}{dt}\hat{a} = -i(\Delta - i\gamma_{1}/2)\hat{a} - 2iG\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \int_{0}^{t} f(t - \tau)\hat{a}(\tau)d\tau - iF_{\text{eff}}(t) - i\hat{R}(t) - \sqrt{\gamma_{1}}\hat{h}_{\text{in}}(t),$$
(27)

where f(t),  $F_{\text{eff}}(t)$ , and  $\hat{R}(t)$  are the same as those in Eq. (16), and  $\hat{h}_{\text{in}}(t) = \sum_{k_1} e^{-i(\Omega_{k_1} - \omega_l)t} \hat{h}_{k_1} / \sqrt{2\pi}$  with  $\Omega_{k_1}$  and  $\hat{h}_{k_1}$  respectively denoting the eigenfrequency and annihilation operator of the Markovian environment corresponding to the left cavity. Through the effective non-Hermitian Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_{\text{eff}} = \hat{H}_S - i\gamma_1 \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}/2 - i\gamma \hat{b}^{\dagger} \hat{b}/2$ , we can obtain the optimal condition for UPB occurring,

$$0 = [g^{2}G - G(\Delta - i\gamma_{1}/2)(\Delta - i\gamma/2)][(\Delta - i\gamma_{1}/2) + (\Delta - i\gamma/2)](\Delta - i\gamma/2) + g^{2}F^{2}(\Delta - i\gamma/2) - g^{4}G + g^{2}F^{2}(\Delta - i\gamma_{1}/2) + g^{2}G(\Delta - i\gamma_{1}/2)(\Delta - i\gamma/2),$$
(28)

under the weak driving condition. Through numerical simulation similar to Secs. II– IV, we find that the dissipation  $\gamma_1$  in the left cavity has an influence on the optimal values  $(\Delta_{\text{opt}}, \phi_{\text{opt}})$  in Eq. (28) and second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0) = \text{Tr}_S(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\hat{\rho}\hat{a}\hat{\rho}_S)/[\text{Tr}_S(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\hat{\rho}_S)]^2$  [ $\bar{\rho}_S$  denotes the



FIG. 15. UPB with the non-Markovian effect for the quantum network can be realized in the dissipationless left cavity (eigenfrequency  $\omega_a$ ) mediated by two-photon pump with amplitude *G* and frequency  $\omega_p$ , where the left cavity couples to several dissipative right cavities (eigenfrequency  $\omega_n$  and dissipation  $\gamma_n$ ) with the coupling strength  $g_n$ . The right cavity  $b_n$  is driven by single-photon driving field with frequency  $\Omega_n$  and amplitude  $F_n$ .

steady density matrix satisfying  $\dot{\rho}_S = 0$  in Eq. (27)], but it does not change our main conclusions (UPB with the non-Markovian effect) due to the effective single-photon driving field of Eq. (27) remaining finite. We will not discuss it in detail here (readers who are interested in this question can try it out).

### VII. DISCUSSION FOR A TWO-PHOTON PUMPED LEFT CAVITY COUPLING WITH NONINTERACTING SINGLE-PHOTON DRIVEN RIGHT CAVITIES

In this section, we generalize the above results to a general quantum network involving several right cavities driven by single-photon driving fields with frequency  $\Omega_n$  and amplitude  $F_n$  in Fig. 15, whose master equation and corresponding total Hamiltonian are given by

$$\dot{\rho}_S = -i[\hat{H}_S, \rho_S] + \sum_n \gamma_n \left( \hat{b}_n \rho_S \hat{b}_n^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2} \hat{b}_n^{\dagger} \hat{b}_n \rho_S - \frac{1}{2} \rho_S \hat{b}_n^{\dagger} \hat{b}_n \right), \quad (29)$$

and  $\hat{H}_T = \hat{H}_S + \hat{H}_R + \hat{H}_I$  with

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_{S} &= \Delta \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \sum_{n} \Delta_{n} \hat{b}_{n}^{\dagger} \hat{b}_{n} + \sum_{n} g_{n} (\hat{a} \hat{b}_{n}^{\dagger} + \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{b}_{n}) \\ &+ G(\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + \hat{a}^{2}) + \sum_{n} F_{n}^{*} \hat{b}_{n} + \sum_{n} F_{n} \hat{b}_{n}^{\dagger}, \\ \hat{H}_{R} &= \sum_{n,k} (\omega_{n,k} - \Omega) \hat{e}_{n,k}^{\dagger} \hat{e}_{n,k}, \\ \hat{H}_{I} &= i \sum_{n,k} V_{n,k} (\hat{e}_{n,k}^{\dagger} \hat{b}_{n} - \hat{b}_{n}^{\dagger} \hat{e}_{n,k}), \end{aligned}$$
(30)

where  $\Delta = \omega_a - \Omega$ ,  $\Delta_n = \omega_n - \Omega$ , and  $\hat{e}_{n,in}(t) = \sum_k e^{-i(\omega_{n,k}-\Omega)t} \hat{e}_{n,k}/\sqrt{2\pi}$ . In Eq. (30), we have assumed driving frequency  $\Omega_n = \Omega$  and pump frequency  $\omega_p = 2\Omega$ .  $g_n$  denotes coupling strength between the left cavity with frequency  $\omega_a$  and right cavity  $b_n$  with frequency  $\omega_n$ .  $V_{n,k} = \sqrt{\gamma_n/2\pi}$  is the coupling strength between cavity  $b_n$  and Markovian environments with Bosonic annihilation operators  $\hat{e}_{n,k}$  and frequencies  $\omega_{n,k}$ . In this case, Eq. (16) becomes

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{a} = -i\Delta\hat{a} - 2iG\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \int_{0}^{t} f(t-\tau)\hat{a}(\tau)d\tau$$
$$-i\sum_{n}F_{n,\text{eff}}(t) - i\sum_{n}\hat{R}_{n}(t), \qquad (31)$$

where  $f(t) = \sum_{n} g_{n}^{2} e^{-(i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})t}$ ,  $F_{n,\text{eff}}(t) = -ig_{n}F_{n}\int_{0}^{t} e^{-(i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})(t-\tau)}d\tau$ , and  $\hat{R}_{n}(t) = g_{n}\hat{b}_{n}(0)e^{-(i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})t} - g_{n}\sqrt{\gamma_{n}} \int_{0}^{t} \hat{e}_{n,in}(\tau)e^{-(i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})(t-\tau)}d\tau$ . With the linearity of Eq. (31) and defining  $\hat{a}(0) \equiv \hat{a}$ ,  $\hat{a}^{\dagger}(0) \equiv \hat{a}^{\dagger}$ ,  $\hat{b}_{n}(0) \equiv \hat{b}_{n}$ ,  $\hat{b}_{n}^{\dagger}(0) \equiv \hat{b}_{n}^{\dagger}$ ,  $\hat{e}_{n,k}(0) \equiv \hat{e}_{n,k}, \hat{e}_{n,k}^{\dagger}(0) \equiv \hat{e}_{n,k}^{\dagger}$ , we have

$$\hat{a}(t) = u_1(t)\hat{a}(0) + v_1(t)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(0) + \hat{c}_1(t), \qquad (32)$$

with

$$\hat{c}_{1}(t) = \sum_{n} \mu_{n}(t)\hat{b}_{n}(0) + \sum_{n} \nu_{n}(t)\hat{b}_{n}^{\dagger}(0) + \sum_{n,k} \alpha_{nk}(t)\hat{e}_{n,k}(0) + \sum_{n,k} \beta_{nk}(t)\hat{e}_{n,k}^{\dagger}(0) + \eta(t).$$
(33)

The time-dependent functions  $u_1(t)$ ,  $v_1(t)$ ,  $\mu_n(t)$ ,  $v_n(t)$ ,  $\alpha_{nk}(t)$ ,  $\beta_{nk}(t)$ , and  $\eta(t)$  in Eq. (33) can be determined by substituting Eq. (32) into Eq. (31):

$$\dot{u}_{1}(t) = -i\Delta u_{1}(t) - \int_{0}^{t} f(t-\tau)u_{1}(\tau)d\tau - 2iGv_{1}^{*}(t),$$
  

$$\dot{v}_{1}(t) = -i\Delta v_{1}(t) - \int_{0}^{t} f(t-\tau)v_{1}(\tau)d\tau - 2iGu_{1}^{*}(t),$$
  

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{c}_{1}(t) = -i\Delta\hat{c}_{1}(t) - \int_{0}^{t} f(t-\tau)\hat{c}_{1}(\tau)d\tau - 2iG\hat{c}_{1}^{\dagger}(t)$$
  

$$-i\sum_{n}F_{n,\text{eff}}(t) - i\sum_{n}\hat{R}_{n}(t).$$
(34)

With the above results, we show that the initial condition and initial state are two different concepts discussed below.

(i)  $u_1(0)$  represents an initial condition, whose value is determined by the Heisenberg operator  $\hat{a}(t)$  in Eq. (32) at time t = 0. To be specific, with  $\hat{a}(0) = u_1(0)\hat{a}(0) + v_1(0)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(0) + \hat{c}_1(0)$  by taking t = 0 to  $\hat{a}(t) = u_1(t)\hat{a}(0) + v_1(t)\hat{a}^{\dagger}(0) + \hat{c}_1(t)$ , we obtain

$$u_1(0) = 1, \quad v_1(0) = 0, \quad \mu_n(0) = 0,$$

$$\nu_n(0) = 0, \quad \alpha_{n,k}(0) = 0, \quad \beta_{n,k}(0) = 0, \quad \eta(0) = 0, \quad (35)$$

which remain unchanged and are independent of the parameters in Eq. (30). This is a mathematical fact, and therefore  $u_1(0) = 1$  is what we must use. However, if  $u_1(0) \neq 1$ , Eq. (32) will be violated.

(ii)  $\rho_S(0)$  denotes the initial state of the master equation (29), which is changeable and can be re-prepared at



FIG. 16. Energy-level diagram of the quantum network with the zero-, one-, and two-photon states and transition paths leading to the quantum interference responsible for the strong photon antibunching. For the left cavity, the quantum interference processes occur in n + 1 paths as the figure shows.

the initial time t = 0. When we reset the cavities, the initial number of photons in the cavities is tunable, which can be realized in experiment [159–161]. In this case, the different initial states  $\rho_S(0)$  [being not related to  $u_1(t)$ ] can affect the time-dependent evolution of the system density matrix  $\rho_S(t)$ controlled by the master equation (29). But this cannot change the steady state  $\bar{\rho}_S$  of the master equation (29) since  $\dot{\bar{\rho}}_S = 0$  is independent of the initial state. Therefore, the different initial states  $\rho_S(0)$  do not affect the steady second-order correlation function  $g^{(2)}(0) = \text{Tr}_S(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\hat{\rho}_S)/[\text{Tr}_S(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}\bar{\rho}_S)]^2$ .

Moreover, we make the Laplace transformation to Eq. (34) and get

$$\hat{c}_1(t) = \hat{\mathcal{A}}(t) + \mathcal{B}(t), \qquad (36)$$

where  $\hat{\mathcal{A}}(t) = i \sum_n \int_0^t d\tau [v_1(t-\tau)\hat{R}_n^{\dagger}(\tau) - u_1(t-\tau)\hat{R}_n(\tau)]$ and  $\mathcal{B}(t) = i \sum_n \int_0^t d\tau [v_1(t-\tau)F_{n,\text{eff}}^*(t) - u_1(t-\tau)F_{n,\text{eff}}(t)]$ . Comparing Eqs. (33) and (36), we obtain

$$\mu_{n}(t) = -ig_{n} \int_{0}^{t} e^{-(i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})\tau} u_{1}(t-\tau)d\tau,$$

$$\nu_{n}(t) = ig_{n} \int_{0}^{t} e^{-(-i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})\tau} v_{1}(t-\tau)d\tau,$$

$$\alpha_{nk}(t) = ig_{n} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_{n}}{2\pi}} \int_{0}^{t} d\tau u_{1}(t-\tau) e^{-(i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})\tau}$$

$$\times \int_{0}^{\tau} d\tau_{1} e^{[\frac{\gamma_{n}}{2} - i(\omega_{n,k} - \Omega - \Delta_{n})]\tau_{1}},$$

$$\beta_{nk}(t) = -ig_{n} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_{n}}{2\pi}} \int_{0}^{t} d\tau v_{1}(t-\tau) e^{-(-i\Delta_{n} + \frac{\gamma_{n}}{2})\tau}$$

$$\times \int_{0}^{\tau} d\tau_{1} e^{[\frac{\gamma_{n}}{2} + i(\omega_{n,k} - \Omega - \Delta_{n})]\tau_{1}},$$

$$\eta(t) = i\sum_{n} \int_{0}^{t} d\tau [v_{1}(t-\tau)F_{n,\text{eff}}^{*}(t) - u_{1}(t-\tau)F_{n,\text{eff}}(t)].$$
(37)

By solving the coupled equations in Eq. (34), we can obtain the complete information of the quantum network. It is particularly useful in the derivation of the exact

non-Markovian master equation for UPB with the non-Markovian effect, which is achieved by integrating out the environmental degrees of freedom (similar to Secs. III and IV). The quantum network with dissipative right cavities and driving fields increases controllabilities for UPB with the non-Markovian effect, which has n + 1 quantum interference paths shown in Fig. 16.

#### VIII. CONCLUSION

In summary, we have studied UPB with the non-Markovian effect in a system consisting of the dissipationless left cavity (mediated by two-photon pump) and Markovian dissipative right cavity (driven by single-photon driving field). We derived the exact non-Markovian Heisenberg-Langevin equation and reduced master equation for the left cavity, which contains the two-photon pump and effective singlephoton driving field. When the dissipation falls below a threshold, UPB occurs in the non-Markovian regime due to the nonzero effective single-photon driving field. UPB weakens for the left cavity when the dissipation exceeds the threshold in the Markovian regime, and then disappears if the dissipation tends to infinity, which originates from violation of the closed quantum interference paths due to the effective single-photon driving field reaching zero. With the destructive quantum interference effects between different paths for two-photon space, UPB has been analytically found, which is in good agreement with that obtained by the numerical simulation. The existence of dissipations in both cavities is also discussed. Moreover, we extend the results to the system containing a left cavity (mediated by two-photon pump) coupling with noninteracting dissipative right cavities (driven by single-photon driving fields).

The investigations of the left cavity and dissipative right cavity respectively mediated by two-photon pump and singlephoton driving field might open a way to better understand the connections between UPB and non-Markovianities, which are available to a variety of physically relevant systems, e.g., (1) second-order nonlinearity  $\hat{a}^2 \hat{b}^{\dagger} + \hat{b} \hat{a}^{\dagger 2}$  [49,50], (2) Kerr nonlinear medium  $\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \hat{a}$  [105,232], (3) Jaynes-Cummings model  $\sum_{k} g_k(\sigma_-b_k^{\dagger} + b_k\sigma_+)$  [98,233–237] or Rabi model  $\sum_{k} v_k \sigma_x(b_k^{\dagger} + b_k)$  [238,239], and (4) first-order  $\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}(\hat{b} + \hat{b}^{\dagger})$  [240–242] and (5) quadratic optomechanical couplings  $\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}(\hat{b} + \hat{b}^{\dagger})^2$  [25,243–247], interacting with Markovian environments, which deserve future studies for UPB with non-Markovian effects. As an outlook, how to explore CPB with the non-Markovian effects is still a challenge, which originates from CPB requiring the system to have nonlinearities (linearization methods might be applied to quantum nonlinear systems).

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### APPENDIX A: DEGENERATE OPTICAL PARAMETRIC AMPLIFIER

The two-photon pump can be realized by a degenerate optical parametric amplifier (OPA) in a single cavity containing a  $\chi^{(2)}$  nonlinear medium [193–198] given by  $\tilde{H}_{OPA} = \omega_c \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \omega_p \hat{p}^{\dagger} \hat{p} + J_p (\hat{a}^{\dagger 2} \hat{p} + \hat{p}^{\dagger} \hat{a}^2)$ , where  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{p}$  are the photon annihilation operators of the two cavity modes with frequencies  $\omega_c$  and  $\omega_p$ , respectively.  $J_p$  denotes the coupling strength via  $\chi^{(2)}$  nonlinear medium [248], which mediates the conversion of a photon in cavity p to two photons [13,49,50]. The coupling strength between two cavities is given by

$$J_p = D\varepsilon_0 \left(\frac{\hbar\omega_c}{2\varepsilon_0}\right) \sqrt{\frac{\hbar\omega_p}{2\varepsilon_0}} \int d\mathbf{r} \frac{\chi^{(2)}(\mathbf{r})}{[\varepsilon(\mathbf{r})]^3} \alpha_1^2(\mathbf{r}) \alpha_2(\mathbf{r}), \quad (A1)$$

where  $\varepsilon_0$  is the vacuum permittivity.  $\varepsilon(\mathbf{r})$  denotes the permittivity. D is a degeneracy factor.  $\alpha_1(\mathbf{r})$  and  $\alpha_2(\mathbf{r})$  are the wave functions for modes  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{p}$ , respectively. It is widely recognized that all quantum amplifiers are essentially nonlinear systems [194,248]. As one of the examples of parametric amplification nonlinear interactions, the schematic diagram of the OPA physical process is shown in Fig. 1. The OPA interaction involves a pump photon with frequency  $\omega_p$  being converted into two photons with identical frequency  $\omega_c$  with the relation  $\omega_p = 2\omega_c$  due to the second-order nonlinearity. The pump is treated approximately as a classical coherent field because the pump depletion is negligible [249-251], namely,  $\hat{p} \rightarrow \beta e^{-i(\theta_p - \omega_p t)}$  (mean-field approximation, which requires pump amplitude to be very large), with  $\beta$  and  $\theta_p$ being the amplitude and phase of the pump. With this, the **OPA** Hamiltonian becomes

$$\hat{H}_{\text{OPA}} = \omega_c \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + G e^{-i\omega_P t} \hat{a}^{\dagger 2} + G e^{i\omega_P t} \hat{a}^2, \qquad (A2)$$

where  $G = J_p \beta e^{-i\theta_p}$  is the nonlinear strength of the OPA with  $J_p$  given by Eq. (A1). Obviously, G is proportional to the amplitude of the pump and second-order nonlinearity of the medium.

### **APPENDIX B: DERIVATION OF EQ. (6)**

Substituting  $\hat{H}_{eff} = \hat{H}_S - i\gamma \hat{b}^{\dagger} \hat{b}/2$  [ $\hat{H}_S$  is given by Eq. (2)] into Schrödinger equation  $i\frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\bar{\psi}\rangle = \hat{H}_{eff} |\bar{\psi}\rangle$ , we obtain

$$i\bar{E}_{01} = F\bar{E}_{00} + (\Delta - i\gamma/2)\bar{E}_{01} + g\bar{E}_{10} + \sqrt{2}F^*\bar{E}_{02} = 0,$$
  

$$i\bar{E}_{10} = g\bar{E}_{01} + \Delta\bar{E}_{10} + F^*\bar{E}_{11} = 0,$$
  

$$i\bar{E}_{11} = F\bar{E}_{10} + (2\Delta - i\gamma/2)\bar{E}_{11} + \sqrt{2}g\bar{E}_{02} + \sqrt{2}g\bar{E}_{20} = 0,$$
  

$$i\bar{E}_{02} = \sqrt{2}F\bar{E}_{01} + \sqrt{2}g\bar{E}_{11} + 2(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\bar{E}_{02} = 0,$$
  

$$i\bar{E}_{20} = \sqrt{2}G\bar{E}_{00} + \sqrt{2}g\bar{E}_{11} + 2\Delta\bar{E}_{20} = 0.$$
 (B1)

Under the weak driving condition, we have  $|\bar{E}_{00}| \gg |\bar{E}_{10}|, |\bar{E}_{01}| \gg |\bar{E}_{11}|, |\bar{E}_{02}|, |\bar{E}_{20}|$ . The condition for  $g^{(2)}(0) = \langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \hat{a} \rangle / \langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle^2 \simeq \langle \bar{\psi} | \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \hat{a} | \bar{\psi} \rangle / \langle \bar{\psi} | \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} | \bar{\psi} \rangle^2 \simeq 2 |\bar{E}_{20}|^2 / |\bar{E}_{10}|^4 = 0$  is derived from Eq. (B1) by setting  $\bar{E}_{20} = 0$ . This leads to  $-F\bar{E}_{00} = (\Delta - i\gamma/2)\bar{E}_{01} + g\bar{E}_{10}$ ,  $0 = g\bar{E}_{01} + \Delta\bar{E}_{10}$ ,  $0 = F\bar{E}_{10} + (2\Delta - i\gamma/2)\bar{E}_{11} + \sqrt{2}g\bar{E}_{02}$ ,  $0 = F\bar{E}_{01} + g\bar{E}_{11} + \sqrt{2}(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\bar{E}_{02}$ , and  $0 = G\bar{E}_{00} + g\bar{E}_{11}$ . Moreover, we obtain  $\bar{E}_{01}/\bar{E}_{10} = -\Delta/g$  and  $\bar{E}_{00} = -g\bar{E}_{10}/F - (\Delta - i\gamma/2)\bar{E}_{01}/F$ .  $\bar{E}_{10}$ ,  $\bar{E}_{11}$ , and  $\bar{E}_{02}$  having nontrivial solutions require

$$0 = [g^{2}G - G(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\Delta](2\Delta - i\gamma/2)$$

$$\times (\Delta - i\gamma/2) + g^{2}F^{2}(\Delta - i\gamma/2) - g^{4}G$$

$$+ g^{2}F^{2}\Delta + g^{2}G(\Delta - i\gamma/2)\Delta.$$
(B2)

By separating the real and imaginary parts of Eq. (B2), we can get the optimal condition in Eq. (6). The expressions for these coefficients in Eq. (7) are  $\bar{m} = 4096G^2$ ,  $\bar{n} = -8192g^2G^2 + 1280G^2k^2 + 256G^2(-16g^2 + 5k^2)$ ,  $\bar{o} = 4096g^4G^2 - 512g^2G^2k^2 + 64G^2k^4 + 64G^2(4g^2 + k^2)^2 - 512g^2G^2(-16g^2 + 5k^2) + 80G^2k^2(-16g^2 + 5k^2)$ ,  $\bar{p} = -4096f^4g^4 + 256g^4G^2(-16g^2 + 5k^2) - 32g^2G^2k^2(-16g^2 + 5k^2) + 4G^2k^4(-16g^2 + 5k^2)$ ,  $\bar{q} = -512f^4g^4k^2 + 64g^4G^2(4g^2 + k^2)^2 + 2g^2G^2k^2(4g^2 + k^2)^2 + G^2k^4(4g^2 + k^2)^2 + 6g^2G^2k^2(4g^2 + k^2)^2 + G^2k^4(4g^2 + k^2)^2 + 16g^4G^2k^2(-16g^2 + 5k^2)$ , and  $\bar{r} = -16f^4g^4k^4 + 4g^4G^2k^2(4g^2 + k^2)^2$ .

### **APPENDIX C: DERIVATION OF EQ. (3)**

The Heisenberg-Langevin equation [135,252] under the Markovian approximation is written as

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{A}(t) = -i[\hat{A}(t), \hat{H}_{S}(t)] - \frac{\gamma}{2}[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)]\hat{b}(t) 
- \sqrt{\gamma}[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)]\hat{e}_{in}(t) + \frac{\gamma}{2}\hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}(t)] 
+ \sqrt{\gamma}\hat{e}_{in}^{\dagger}(t)[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}(t)],$$
(C1)

where the Heisenberg operator  $\hat{A}(t) = e^{i\hat{H}_T t} \hat{A} e^{-i\hat{H}_T t}$  with  $\hat{H}_T$  given by Eq. (13),  $\hat{e}_{in}(t) = \sum_k e^{-i(\omega_k - \omega_l)t} \hat{e}_k / \sqrt{2\pi}$  with  $[\hat{e}_{in}(t), \hat{e}_{in}^{\dagger}(t')] = \delta(t - t')$ , and the total system has been transformed in a rotating frame with the driving frequency  $\omega_l$  [see Eqs. (2) and (13)]. We take

$$\rho_T(0) = |0\rangle_{aa} \langle 0| \otimes |0\rangle_{bb} \langle 0| \otimes |0\rangle_{EE} \langle 0| \tag{C2}$$

as an initial state, where  $|0\rangle_a$ ,  $|0\rangle_b$ , and  $|0\rangle_E$  respectively denote the vacuum states of the left cavity, the right cavity,

and the Markovian environment, which lead to  $\hat{a}|0\rangle_a = 0$ ,  $\hat{b}|0\rangle_b = 0$ , and  $\hat{e}_k|0\rangle_E = 0$ . In this case, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}\langle \hat{A}(t)\rangle = \operatorname{Tr}\left[\frac{d\hat{A}(t)}{dt}\rho_{T}(0)\right] \equiv \operatorname{Tr}_{S}[\hat{A}\dot{\rho}_{S}(t)] \quad (C3)$$

$$= -i\langle [\hat{A}(t), \hat{H}_{S}(t)]\rangle - \frac{\gamma}{2}\langle [\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)]\hat{b}(t)\rangle \\
- \sqrt{\gamma}\langle [\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)]\hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}(t)\rangle \\
+ \frac{\gamma}{2}\langle \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}(t)]\rangle \\
+ \sqrt{\gamma}\langle \hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}^{\dagger}(t)[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}(t)]\rangle, \quad (C4)$$

where  $\operatorname{Tr} = \operatorname{Tr}_{S}\operatorname{Tr}_{R}$ ,  $\operatorname{Tr}_{S} = \operatorname{Tr}_{a}\operatorname{Tr}_{b}$ ,  $\rho_{S}(t) = \operatorname{Tr}_{R}\{\rho_{T}(t)\}$ , and  $\rho_{T}(t) = e^{-i\hat{H}_{T}t}\rho_{T}(0)e^{i\hat{H}_{T}t}$ . With  $\langle [\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)]\hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}(t)\rangle =$  $\operatorname{Tr}[[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)]\hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}(t)\rho_{T}(0)]$  and  $\langle \hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}^{\dagger}(t)[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}(t)]\rangle =$  Tr  $\{[\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}(t)]\rho_{T}(0)\hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}^{\dagger}(t)\}$  due to  $\hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}(t)\rho_{T}(0) = 0$  and  $\rho_{T}(0)\hat{e}_{\mathrm{in}}^{\dagger}(t) = 0$ , Eq. (C4) becomes

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \hat{A}(t) \rangle = -i \operatorname{Tr} \{ [\hat{A}(t), \hat{H}_{S}(t)] \rho_{T}(0) \} 
- \frac{\gamma}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \{ [\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t)] \hat{b}(t) \rho_{T}(0) \} 
+ \frac{\gamma}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \hat{b}^{\dagger}(t) [\hat{A}(t), \hat{b}(t)] \rho_{T}(0) \} 
= -i \operatorname{Tr}_{S} \{ [\hat{A}, \hat{H}_{S}] \rho_{S}(t) \} - \frac{\gamma}{2} \operatorname{Tr}_{S} \{ [\hat{A}, \hat{b}^{\dagger}] \hat{b} \rho_{S}(t) \} 
+ \frac{\gamma}{2} \operatorname{Tr}_{S} \{ \hat{b}^{\dagger} [\hat{A}, \hat{b}] \rho_{S}(t) \}.$$
(C5)

With  $\operatorname{Tr}\{[\hat{A}, \hat{B}]\hat{C}\} = \operatorname{Tr}\{\hat{A}[\hat{B}, \hat{C}]\}\$ , we get

$$\frac{d}{dt}\langle \hat{A}(t)\rangle = \operatorname{Tr}_{S}\left(\hat{A}\{-i[\hat{H}_{S},\rho_{S}(t)] - \frac{\gamma}{2}[\hat{b}^{\dagger},\hat{b}\rho_{S}(t)] + \frac{\gamma}{2}[\hat{b},\rho_{S}(t)\hat{b}^{\dagger}]\}\right).$$
(C6)

Equation (3) can be obtained via Eqs. (C3) and (C6).

## **APPENDIX D: DERIVATION OF EQ. (19)**

Defining C(t) = v(t) + u(t) with C(0) = 1 and D(t) = v(t) - u(t) with D(0) = -1 leads to  $\frac{d}{dt}D(t) = -i\Delta D(t) + 2iGD^*(t) - \int_0^t d\tau [f(t-\tau)D(\tau)]$ . Introducing  $M(t) = \frac{1}{2}[D(t) + D^*(t)]$  with M(0) = -1 and  $N(t) = \frac{1}{2i}[D(t) - D^*(t)]$  with N(0) = 0, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}M(t) = \Delta N(t) + 2GN(t) - \int_0^t d\tau [M(\tau)f_r(t-\tau)] - \int_0^t d\tau [N(\tau)f_i(t-\tau)], \frac{d}{dt}N(t) = -\Delta M(t) + 2GM(t) - \int_0^t d\tau [N(\tau)f_r(t-\tau)] + \int_0^t d\tau [M(\tau)f_i(t-\tau)],$$
(D1)

where  $f_r(t) = 1/2 * [f(t) + f^*(t)]$  and  $f_i(t) = i/2 * [f(t) - f^*(t)]$ . Making the Laplace transformation to Eq. (D1) gives  $sM(s) + 1 = \Delta N(s) + 2GN(s) - f_r(s)M(s) - f_i(s)N(s)$  and

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 $sN(s) = -\Delta M(s) + 2GM(s) + f_i(s)M(s) - f_r(s)N(s)$ , or

$$M(s) = \frac{f_r(s) + s}{-[\Delta - f_i(s)]^2 + 4G^2 - [f_r(s) + s]^2},$$
$$N(s) = \frac{\Delta - f_i(s) - 2G}{[\Delta - f_i(s)]^2 - 4G^2 + [f_r(s) + s]^2}.$$
(D2)

For  $\frac{d}{dt}C(t) = -i\Delta C(t) - 2iGC^*(t) - \int_0^t f(t-\tau)C(\tau)d\tau$ and defining  $P(t) = \frac{1}{2}[C(t) + C^*(t)]$  with P(0) = 1 and  $Q(t) = \frac{1}{2i}[C(t) - C^*(t)]$  with Q(0) = 0, we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt}P(t) = \Delta Q(t) - 2GQ(t) - \int_0^t f_i(t-\tau)Q(\tau)d\tau$$
$$-\int_0^t f_r(t-\tau)P(\tau)d\tau,$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}Q(t) = -\Delta P(t) - 2GP(t) + \int_0^t f_i(t-\tau)P(\tau)d\tau$$
$$-\int_0^t f_r(t-\tau)Q(\tau)d\tau,$$
(D3)

and  $sP(s) - 1 = \Delta Q(s) - 2GQ(s) - f_i(s)Q(s) - f_r(s)P(s)$ ,  $sQ(s) = -\Delta P(s) - 2GP(s) + f_i(s)P(s) - f_r(s)Q(s)$ , or

$$P(s) = \frac{f_r(s) + s}{[\Delta - f_i(s)]^2 - 4G^2 + [f_r(s) + s]^2},$$
  

$$Q(s) = \frac{\Delta - f_i(s) + 2G}{-[\Delta - f_i(s)]^2 + 4G^2 - [f_r(s) + s]^2}.$$
 (D4)

Collecting all these together, we get

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2} \{ [P(t) - M(t)] + i[Q(t) - N(t)] \},\$$
  
$$v(t) = \frac{1}{2} \{ [P(t) + M(t)] + i[Q(t) + N(t)] \}.$$
 (D5)

Moreover, setting  $\hat{O}(t) = \frac{1}{2}[\hat{c}(t) + \hat{c}^{\dagger}(t)]$  with  $\hat{O}(0) = 0$ and  $\hat{B}(t) = \frac{1}{2i}[\hat{c}(t) - \hat{c}^{\dagger}(t)]$  with  $\hat{B}(0) = 0$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}\hat{O}(t) &= \Delta\hat{B}(t) - 2G\hat{B}(t) \\ &+ \frac{i}{2}[F_{\text{eff}}^{*}(t) - F_{\text{eff}}(t)] + \frac{i}{2}[\hat{R}^{\dagger}(t) - \hat{R}(t)] \\ &- \int_{0}^{t} f_{i}(t-\tau)\hat{B}(\tau)d\tau - \int_{0}^{t} f_{r}(t-\tau)\hat{O}(\tau)d\tau, \\ \frac{d}{dt}\hat{B}(t) &= -\Delta\hat{O}(t) - 2G\hat{O}(t) \\ &- \frac{1}{2}[\hat{R}^{\dagger}(t) + \hat{R}(t)] - \frac{1}{2}[F_{\text{eff}}^{*}(t) + F_{\text{eff}}(t)] \\ &- \int_{0}^{t} f_{r}(t-\tau)\hat{B}(\tau)d\tau + \int_{0}^{t} f_{i}(t-\tau)\hat{O}(\tau)d\tau, \end{aligned}$$
(D6)

and  $s\hat{B}(s) = -\Delta\hat{O}(s) - 2G\hat{O}(s) - \frac{1}{2}[\hat{R}(s) + \hat{R}^{\dagger}(s)] - \frac{1}{2s}[F_{\text{eff}}(s) + F_{\text{eff}}^{*}(s)] - f_{r}(s)\hat{B}(s) + f_{i}(s)\hat{O}(s), \qquad s\hat{O}(s) = \Delta\hat{B}(s) - 2G\hat{B}(s) + \frac{i}{2}[\hat{R}^{\dagger}(s) - \hat{R}(s)] + \frac{i}{2s}[F_{\text{eff}}^{*}(s) - F_{\text{eff}}(s)] -$ 

$$f_i(s)\hat{B}(s) - f_r(s)\hat{O}(s), \text{ or}$$
$$\hat{O}(s) = \frac{[\hat{R}(s) + F_{\text{eff}}(s)/s]\{\Delta - f_i(s) + i[f_r(s) + 2iG + s]\}}{-2\{[\Delta - f_i(s)]^2 - 4G^2 + [f_r(s) + s]^2\}} + \text{H.c.},$$

$$\hat{B}(s) = \frac{i[\hat{R}(s) + F_{\text{eff}}(s)/s]\{\Delta - f_i(s) + i[f_r(s) - 2iG + s]\}}{2\{[\Delta - f_i(s)]^2 - 4G^2 + [f_r(s) + s]^2\}} + \text{H.c..}$$
(D7)

With the above results, we have

$$\hat{c}(s) = i[v(s)\hat{R}^{\dagger}(s) - u(s)\hat{R}(s)] + \beta(s),$$
 (D8)

with  $\beta(s) = i[v(s)F_{\text{eff}}^*(s) - u(s)F_{\text{eff}}(s)]$ . Equation (19) can be obtained by reversing Laplace transformation to Eq. (D8).

# APPENDIX E: DERIVATION OF EQ. (20)

The Hamiltonian of the right cavity coupling with the Markovian environment in a rotating frame with the driving frequency  $\omega_l$  [see Eqs. (2) and (13)],

$$\hat{H}_{be} = \Delta \hat{b}^{\dagger} \hat{b} + \sum_{k} (\omega_{k} - \omega_{l}) \hat{e}_{k}^{\dagger} \hat{e}_{k} + i \sum_{k} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{2\pi}} (\hat{e}_{k}^{\dagger} \hat{b} - \hat{b}^{\dagger} \hat{e}_{k}),$$
(E1)

can be diagonalized as [253]

$$\hat{H}_{be} = \sum_{j} \chi_{j} \hat{B}_{j}^{\dagger} \hat{B}_{j}, \qquad (E2)$$

where  $\hat{B}_j = \alpha_j \hat{b} + \sum_k \beta_{jk} \hat{e}_k$  meets the bosonic orthogonalnormalization property  $[\hat{B}_j, \hat{B}_m^{\dagger}] = \delta_{jm}$  with

$$\hat{b} = \sum_{j} \alpha_{j}^{*} \hat{B}_{j}, \quad \hat{e}_{k} = \sum_{j} \beta_{jk}^{*} \hat{B}_{j}.$$
(E3)

Making the commutation relation  $[\hat{B}_j, \hat{H}_{be}]$  with Eqs. (E1) and (E2) leads to

$$\chi_{j}\alpha_{j} = \Delta \alpha_{j} + i \sum_{k} \beta_{jk} \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi},$$
  
$$\chi_{j}\beta_{jk} = -i\sqrt{\gamma/2\pi}\alpha_{j} + \beta_{jk}(\omega_{k} - \omega_{l}), \qquad (E4)$$

which also satisfy the eigenequation with eigenvalue  $\chi_j$  and eigenstate  $|\varepsilon_j\rangle$  based on Hamiltonian (E1) in single exciton subspace (originating from the total excitation number  $\hat{N} = \hat{b}^{\dagger}\hat{b} + \sum_k \hat{e}_k^{\dagger}\hat{e}_k$  conserved):

$$\hat{H}_{be}|\varepsilon_{j}\rangle = \chi_{j}|\varepsilon_{j}\rangle, \quad |\varepsilon_{j}\rangle = \alpha_{j}|10\rangle + \sum_{k}\beta_{jk}|01_{k}\rangle, \quad (E5)$$

where  $\alpha_j$  and  $\beta_{jk}$  denote the probability amplitudes on the states  $|10\rangle$  and  $|01_k\rangle$  with the right cavity and *k*th mode in the environment respectively having one photon. Substituting Eqs. (E2) and (E3) into Eq. (13), we obtain Eq. (20). In order to compare with Eq. (16), we write down the Heisenberg equation with Eq. (20):

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{a} = -i\Delta\hat{a} - 2iG\hat{a}^{\dagger} - i\sum_{j}\mu_{j}^{*}\hat{B}_{j}, \qquad (\text{E6})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{B}_j = -i\chi_j\hat{B}_j - i\mu_j\hat{a} - i\nu_j, \qquad (E7)$$

which result in

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{a} = -i\Delta\hat{a} - 2iG\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \int_{0}^{t}\tilde{f}(t-\tau)\hat{a}(\tau)d\tau 
-i\tilde{F}_{\text{eff}}(t) - i\tilde{R}(t),$$
(E8)

with

$$\tilde{f}(t-\tau) = g^2 x(t),$$

$$\tilde{F}_{\text{eff}}(t) = -igF \int_0^t x(t-\tau)d\tau,$$

$$\tilde{R}(t) = gx(t)\hat{b} - g\sum_k y_k(t)\hat{e}_k,$$
(E9)

where  $x(t) = \sum_{j} |\alpha_{j}|^{2} e^{-i\chi_{j}t}$  and  $y_{k}(t) = \sum_{j} \alpha_{j}^{*} \beta_{jk} e^{-i\chi_{j}t}$  respectively correspond to the time-dependent probability amplitudes in  $|10\rangle$  and  $|01_{k}\rangle$  with Eq. (E1) under the initial state  $|\psi(0)\rangle = |10\rangle$  in single exciton subspace proven as follows. Inserting the completeness relation  $\sum_{j} |\varepsilon_{j}\rangle\langle\varepsilon_{j}|$  with Eq. (E5) into  $|\psi(t)\rangle_{be} = e^{-iH_{bet}}|10\rangle$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(t)\rangle_{be} &= \sum_{j} |\alpha_{j}|^{2} e^{-i\chi_{j}t} |10\rangle + \sum_{jk} \alpha_{j}^{*} \beta_{jk} e^{-i\chi_{j}t} |01_{k}\rangle \\ &\equiv x(t) |10\rangle + \sum_{k} y_{k}(t) |01_{k}\rangle. \end{aligned} \tag{E10}$$

The Schrödinger equation  $i\partial_t |\psi(t)\rangle_{be} = \hat{H}_{be} |\psi(t)\rangle_{be}$ gives  $\dot{x}(t) = -i\Delta x(t) - \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi} \sum_k y_k(t)$  and  $\dot{y}_k(t) = -i(\omega_k - \omega_l)y_k(t) + \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi}x(t)$  with x(0) = 1 and  $y_k(0) = 0$ , which lead to  $y_k(t) = \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi} \int_0^t e^{-i(\omega_k - \omega_l)(t-\tau)}x(\tau)d\tau$ and  $\dot{x} = -i\Delta x(t) - \int_0^t f_1(t-\tau)x(\tau)d\tau$  with  $f_1(t-\tau) = \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \sum_k e^{-i(\omega_k - \omega_l)t} = \gamma \delta(t-\tau)$ . With those, we get

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= e^{-(i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})t}, \\ y_k(t) &= \sqrt{\gamma/2\pi} \int_0^t e^{-i(\omega_k - \omega_l)(t-\tau) - (i\Delta + \frac{\gamma}{2})\tau} d\tau. \end{aligned} \tag{E11}$$

Substituting Eq. (E11) into Eq. (E9), we find that  $\tilde{f}(t)$ ,  $\tilde{F}_{\text{eff}}(t)$ , and  $\tilde{R}(t)$  in Eq. (E9) are exactly equal to f(t),  $F_{\text{eff}}(t)$ , and  $\hat{R}(t)$  in Eq. (16), respectively.

#### **APPENDIX F: DERIVATION OF EQ. (21)**

In the Heisenberg picture with the initial state  $\rho_T(0)$ in Eq. (C2) fixed, the time evolution of any physical observable can be obtained directly from Eqs. (17)–(19) through the identity  $\text{Tr}[\frac{d\hat{A}_{c_1c_2}(t)}{dt}\rho_T(0)] \equiv \text{Tr}_a[\hat{A}_{c_1c_2}(0)\frac{d\rho(t)}{dt}]$ with  $\hat{A}_{c_1c_2}(t) = \hat{a}(t)^{\dagger c_1} \hat{a}(t)^{c_2}$ , where  $\rho(t) \equiv \text{Tr}_b \rho_S(t)$  given by Eq. (21) denotes the reduced density matrix for the left cavity.  $\rho_S(t) = \text{Tr}_E \rho_T(t)$  is determined by Eq. (3), where  $\rho_T(t) = U(t)\rho_T(0)U^{\dagger}(t)$  is the density matrix of the total system containing the Markovian environment.  $\text{Tr} \equiv$  $\text{Tr}_a \text{Tr}_b \text{Tr}_E$  denotes traces over all the parts of the total system. With Eq. (17), the expectation values  $A_{01}(t) =$  $\langle \hat{a}(t) \rangle$ ,  $A_{02}(t) = \langle \hat{a}(t)\hat{a}(t) \rangle$ , and  $A_{11}(t) = \langle \hat{a}^{\dagger}(t)\hat{a}(t) \rangle$  are controlled by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}A_{01}(t) &= \varsigma(t)[A_{01}(t) - \beta(t)] + \xi(t)[A_{01}^{*}(t) - \beta^{*}(t)] \\ &+ \dot{\beta}(t), \\ \frac{d}{dt}A_{02}(t) &= 2\varsigma(t)A_{02}(t) + 2\xi(t)A_{11}(t) + 2A_{01}(t)[\dot{\beta}(t)] \\ &- \varsigma(t)\beta(t) - \xi(t)\beta^{*}(t)] + \frac{d}{dt}\langle\hat{\alpha}^{2}\rangle - 2\varsigma(t)\langle\hat{\alpha}^{2}\rangle \\ &- \xi(t)\langle\hat{\alpha}\hat{\alpha}^{\dagger} + \hat{\alpha}^{\dagger}\hat{\alpha}\rangle + \xi(t), \\ \frac{d}{dt}A_{11}(t) &= \frac{\dot{\vartheta}}{\vartheta}\langle\hat{A}_{11}(t) - \hat{\alpha}^{\dagger}\hat{\alpha}\rangle + \frac{d}{dt}\langle\hat{\alpha}^{\dagger}\hat{\alpha}\rangle + \{\xi^{*}(t)\langle\hat{A}_{02}(t) \\ &- \hat{\alpha}^{2}\rangle + A_{01}^{*}(t)[\dot{\beta}(t) - \varsigma(t)\beta(t) - \xi(t)\beta^{*}(t)] \\ &+ \text{H.c.}\}, \end{aligned}$$
(F1)

with  $\zeta(t) = (\dot{u}u^* - \dot{v}v^*)/\vartheta(t)$ ,  $\xi(t) = (u\dot{v} - \dot{u}v)/\vartheta(t)$ , and  $\vartheta(t) = |u(t)|^2 - |v(t)|^2$ , where u(t) and v(t) are determined by Eq. (18).

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To give the time coefficients in Eq. (21), we compute

$$\frac{d}{dt}A_{01}(t) = -\left[\frac{1}{2}\kappa_{1}(t) + iX(t)\right]A_{01}(t) - 2iY(t)A_{01}^{*}(t) - iZ(t),$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}A_{02}(t) = -4iY(t)A_{11}(t) - [\kappa_{1}(t) + 2iX(t)]A_{02}(t)$$

$$-[\kappa_{3}(t) + 2iY(t)] - 2iZ(t)A_{01}(t),$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}A_{11}(t) = \frac{1}{2}\kappa_{2}(t) - \kappa_{1}(t)A_{11}(t) + \{2iY^{*}(t)A_{02}(t)$$

$$+ iZ^{*}(t)A_{01}(t) + \text{H.c.}\}.$$
(F2)

By comparing Eqs. (F1) and (F2), we get

$$Y(t) = -\xi(t)/2i,$$

$$X(t) = -\operatorname{Im}[\varsigma(t)],$$

$$Z(t) = i[\dot{\beta}(t) - \varsigma(t)\beta(t) - \xi(t)\beta^{*}(t)],$$

$$\kappa_{1}(t) = -\dot{\vartheta}(t)/\vartheta(t),$$

$$\kappa_{2}(t) = 2[\partial/\partial t + \kappa_{1}(t)]\langle \hat{\alpha}^{\dagger}\hat{\alpha} \rangle - 2\{\xi^{*}(t)\langle \hat{\alpha}^{2} \rangle + \operatorname{H.c.}\},$$

$$\kappa_{3}(t) = [2\varsigma(t) - \partial/\partial t]\langle \hat{\alpha}^{2} \rangle + \xi(t)\langle \hat{\alpha}\hat{\alpha}^{\dagger} + \hat{\alpha}^{\dagger}\hat{\alpha} \rangle.$$
(F3)

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