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# QUANTUM MECHANICS

GENERAL FORMALISM FORMULAE

PART ONE

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**Remark:**

1: Vectors depending from time and position, are written in **bold-dark-blue** fonts, while vectors depending only from the position **r** are written in **bold-light-blue** fonts.

2: The usual Mathcad complex conjugation operator that is the bar, here means Instead the arithmetic mean, that is

$$\bar{a} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N a_j}{N}$$

3: the complex conjugation operator is indicated with the asterisk instead of a bar, that is:

if  $\bar{z} = a + j \cdot b$  then  $z^* = a - j \cdot b$  while in "Mathcad" as  $z = a - j \cdot b$ .

**Banach-Hilbert spaces**

$\mathbb{N}$  set of all natural numbers

$\mathbb{Z}$  set of all integer numbers

$\mathbb{Z}^+$  set of all positive integer numbers

$\mathbb{Z}^-$  set of all negative integer numbers

$\mathbb{Z}_0^+$  set of all non negative integer numbers

$\mathbb{Z}_0^-$  set of all non positive integer numbers

$\mathbb{Q}$  set of all rational numbers

$\mathbb{R}$  set of all real numbers

$\mathbb{R}^+$  set of all positive real numbers

$\mathbb{R}^-$  set of all negative real numbers

$\mathbb{C}$  set of all complex numbers

$f: M \rightarrow N$  defined by  $x \mapsto f(x)$  application f of M on N defined by x to which is associated f(x) (f maps M on N)

a \* indicates the complex conjugated of a

$\Phi(x)$  is the Heaviside step function

$\Delta(x)$  is the Dirac step function

**Cauchy convergence criterion** for real sequences.

Given the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , a necessary and sufficient condition for the convergence of the sequence, is that:

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \geq 1 \in \mathbb{Z} : |a_n - a_m| \leq \epsilon, \forall n, m \geq N \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a.$$

Furthermore the criterion say  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \geq 1 \in \mathbb{Z} : |a_n - a_m| \leq \epsilon, \forall n, m \geq N \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a.$

**Banach Space** (Hyperlink)

A normed and complete space, namely a normed space where every fundamental sequence is convergent, it is a Banach space.

**Hilbert space** (Hyperlink)(Hilbert space= $\mathbb{H}$ )

The Cauchy convergence criterion applied to a linear space, is not always sufficient.

When for a linear space, the Cauchy criterion is also sufficient, the space is **complete**.

A complete space, where there is also defined the scalar product and consequently the norm, it **is a Hilbert space**.

**vector space** (Hyperlink)

A vector space V on a field K ( K =  $\mathbb{R}$  or K =  $\mathbb{C}$ ) is a set where are defined the operations of vector sum

$$(+): V + V \mapsto V \quad (A \mapsto B: \text{read A associated B})$$

$$(v_1, v_2) \mapsto v_1 + v_2,$$

and the operation of product between a vector and a scalar

$$(\cdot): K \times V \mapsto V$$

$$(\lambda, v) \rightarrow \lambda v$$

**Banach-Hilbert spaces**

**Tensors**

**1 Vector spaces**

The physical state of an object (for example the orientation of the spin of an atom) is represented by a state's vector in complex vector space. Following Dirac those vectors belong to a linear or vector space (Set of vectors)

(Hilbert space= $\mathbb{H}$ ). The vector is indicated by the symbol  $|x\rangle$  (ket) while the linear vector space with

( $L = \{ |x\rangle \} \in \mathbb{H}$ ). Any linear function  $f(|\psi\rangle)$  of the ket  $|\psi\rangle$ , possesses the superposition property, namely

$$f(\lambda_1 |\psi_1\rangle + \lambda_2 |\psi_2\rangle) = \lambda_1 \cdot f(|\psi_1\rangle) + \lambda_2 \cdot f(|\psi_2\rangle).$$

If two functions  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  have this property (superposition), any linear combination of this two functions

$$c_1 \cdot f_1 + c_2 \cdot f_2$$

also has this property. The function  $f(|x\rangle)$  defines the new vector (bra)  $\langle f |$ . The value taken by this function for ket  $|\psi\rangle$  is the number  $\langle f | \psi \rangle$ .

To the dual space of L belongs the vector bra  $\langle x |$ , dual of the ket  $|x\rangle$ . There is a one-to-one correspondence between the vectors of the space L and the vectors of the dual one. The correspondence between each ket and each bra indicated as a conjugation, namely the bra conjugate to the ket  $|x\rangle$  is represented by  $\langle x |$ . The correspondence is linear, that is to the linear combination  $\lambda_1 |x\rangle + \lambda_2 |y\rangle = |z\rangle$  corresponds the bra conjugate

$$\langle z | = \lambda_1^* \langle x | + \lambda_2^* \langle y |.$$

To the ket  $|0\rangle$  corresponds the bra  $\langle 0 |$  and vice versa. For the linearity, are necessary two operations: the sum

$|x\rangle + |y\rangle = |z\rangle$  and the product between a complex constant  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , and the ket  $|x\rangle$ , namely

$$|z\rangle = \alpha |x\rangle = |x\rangle \alpha. \tag{1.1}$$

**Ket vectors properties**

$$\exists \text{ Opposite} \quad -|x\rangle + |x\rangle = |0\rangle \tag{1.2}$$

$$\exists \text{ Neutral element (sum)} \quad |0\rangle + \text{namely } |0\rangle + |x\rangle = |x\rangle \tag{1.3}$$

$$\text{Commutative (sum)} \quad |x\rangle + |y\rangle = |y\rangle + |x\rangle \tag{1.4}$$

$$\text{Associative (sum)} \quad (|x\rangle + |y\rangle) + |z\rangle = |x\rangle + (|y\rangle + |z\rangle) \tag{1.5}$$

$$\text{Distributive (sum)} \quad \alpha \cdot (|x\rangle + |y\rangle) = \alpha |x\rangle + \alpha |y\rangle \tag{1.6}$$

$$\text{Distributive (product)} \quad (\alpha + \beta) \cdot (|x\rangle) = \alpha |x\rangle + \beta |x\rangle \tag{1.7}$$

$$\text{Associative (product)} \quad \alpha \cdot [\beta \cdot (|x\rangle)] = (\alpha \cdot \beta) |x\rangle \tag{1.8}$$

$$1 \cdot (|x\rangle) = |x\rangle \tag{1.9}$$

$$\text{To the ket } |w\rangle = \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} \lambda(\xi) \cdot (|\xi\rangle) d\xi \text{ corresponds the bra conjugated } \langle w | = \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} \lambda(\xi)^* \cdot (\langle \xi |) d\xi$$

The set  $L = \{ |x\rangle \}$  and the two operation (+,  $\cdot$ ) verifying the previous axioms, forms a **linear space or vector space**.

Examples of linear sets: a) the set of the complex numbers ( $\cdot, +, \cdot, /$ ),

b) two and three-dimensional geometric spaces ( $\cdot, +, \cdot, /$ ),

- c) the set Mat of the square matrices (N x N) (+, -, inverse),
- d) the set of all continuous functions defined on a continuous and established range (+, -, /),
- e) the set of all integrable functions (+, -, /),
- f) the set of all square integrable functions (+, -, /),
- g) the set of all function families of functions (+, -, /).

Introducing in a set one or more composition laws (internal, external as addition and multiplication (+, -) of vectors b scalars for  $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ ), I give to the set an algebraic structure (The most important algebraic structures are: *group, semigroup, ring body, modulus, vector space*). More simply, an *Algebra* is created when I define the product among the elements of the set L and as result it gives a new element of the same set. It is an *external product* and not a scalar product (internal) [8].

A measure of the vectors is given by the scalar product.

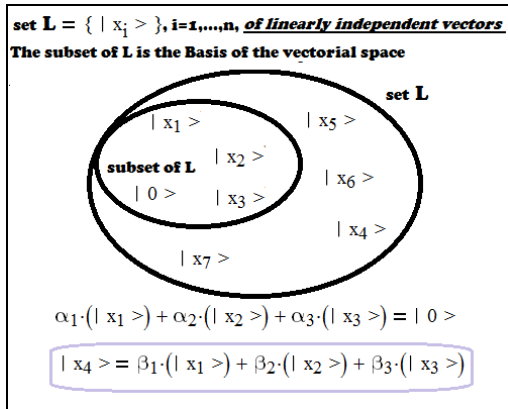
A set  $L = \{ |x_i\rangle \}$ ,  $i=1, \dots, n$ , is *linearly independent* if and only if  $\sum_{j=1}^n [\alpha_j \cdot (|x_j\rangle)] = |0\rangle$  which means that

all the coefficients  $\alpha_j$  are zero. The set L can also be infinite, but the sum must be carried on a finite set or subset of L than the set is linearly independent.

Definition of *Basis of a vector space* for finite or infinite dimensional spaces: each set of linearly independent vectors such that any other vector of the space can be expressed as a linear combination of such vectors, is a base of a finite dimensional vector space.

Example of bases of finite dimensional vector spaces:

- a<sub>1</sub>) Geometrical spaces: each set of three non-coplanar vectors, constitutes a basis.
- a<sub>2</sub>) N-tuples (a collection of n ordered objects) of complex numbers  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , the base is a linear combination of the n-tuple.
- a<sub>3</sub>) Square matrix (N x N).
- a<sub>4</sub>) Polynomials (linear combinations of monomials) they have no finite dimension.
- a<sub>5</sub>) The space of the square summable functions hasn't finite dimension.



Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be two vector spaces and the ket  $|u\rangle \in H_1$  and  $|v\rangle \in H_2$ . Define the tensor product of the vector spaces  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  as:

$$H_{12} = H_1 \otimes H_2$$

and the kets product (or tensor product) as:

$$|uv\rangle = |u\rangle |v\rangle,$$

this product is commutative that is:

$$|uv\rangle = |vu\rangle \text{ or } |u\rangle |v\rangle = |v\rangle |u\rangle,$$

it is distributive with respect to the sum:

$$|u\rangle = \lambda | \xi \rangle + \mu | \psi \rangle,$$

$$|uv\rangle = (\lambda | \xi \rangle + \mu | \psi \rangle) |v\rangle = \lambda | \xi \rangle |v\rangle + \mu | \psi \rangle |v\rangle,$$

while if  $|v\rangle = \lambda | \xi \rangle + \mu | \psi \rangle$ ,

$$|uv\rangle = |u\rangle (\lambda | \xi \rangle + \mu | \psi \rangle) = \lambda |u\rangle | \xi \rangle + \mu |u\rangle | \psi \rangle,$$

## 2 Scalar product axioms [4]

Scalar product (or internal product) of two vectors ( $|x\rangle, |y\rangle$ ) belonging to the Euclidean and vector space

$L = \{ |x\rangle \}$ . The scalar product must associate to each couple of vectors ( $|x\rangle, |y\rangle$ ) a complex number, namely:

$$(|x\rangle, |y\rangle) \rightarrow \alpha = \langle x | y \rangle$$

$$\langle x | y \rangle = \langle x | \cdot (|y\rangle) \quad (2.1)$$

$$\langle x | x \rangle \geq 0 \quad (2.2)$$

$$\langle x | x \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow |x\rangle = |0\rangle \quad (2.3)$$

$$\langle x | y \rangle = \langle y | x \rangle^* \quad (2.4)$$

$$\langle x | (\alpha \cdot y) \rangle = \alpha \cdot (\langle x | y \rangle) \quad (2.5)$$

$$\langle (\alpha \cdot x) | y \rangle = \alpha^* \cdot (\langle x | y \rangle) \quad (2.6)$$

$$\langle x | (y+z) \rangle = \langle x | y \rangle + \langle x | z \rangle \quad (2.7)$$

$$\text{Norm } \| |x\rangle \| = \sqrt{\langle x | x \rangle} \quad 0 \leq \| |x\rangle \| \leq \infty \quad (2.8)$$

$$\| \alpha \cdot (|x\rangle) \| = |\alpha| \cdot (\| |x\rangle \|) \quad (2.9)$$

$$\text{Triangular inequality } \| |x\rangle + |y\rangle \| \leq \| |x\rangle \| + \| |y\rangle \| \quad (2.10)$$

$$\text{Distance } d_{xy} = \| |x\rangle - |y\rangle \| \quad (2.11)$$

$$\text{External product between a ket } |x\rangle \text{ and a bra } \langle x| \text{ is the operator: } |x\rangle \langle x|. \quad (2.12)$$

## 3 vector analysis

Consider the sequence of vectors  $\{ |x_n\rangle \}$ , I define the limit of the sequence as:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |x_n\rangle = |x\rangle \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \| |x_n\rangle - |x\rangle \| = 0. \quad (3.1)$$

Definition of the limit about the vector space ( $L = \{ |x(t)\rangle \} \in \mathbb{H}, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ). The function maps  $\mathbb{R}$  on  $L$ , it associates to every  $t$  the ket  $|x(t)\rangle$ .

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} |x(t)\rangle = |x\rangle \quad (3.2)$$

The property of uniqueness of the limit and all other, derive from the three properties of the norm.

Continuity of the function: when the previous limit exists, the function is continuous. The ket writing can be symbolically simplified  $|x(t)\rangle = |t\rangle, |x_1\rangle = |1\rangle, \dots$ . So, I can write:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} |t\rangle = |t_0\rangle, \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta_\epsilon > 0 : |t - t_0| < \delta \Rightarrow \| |t\rangle - |t_0\rangle \| < \epsilon. \quad (3.3)$$

Derivative

$$\frac{d}{dt} |t\rangle = \lim_{t \rightarrow t_0} \frac{|t\rangle - |t_0\rangle}{t - t_0}, \text{ etc.} \quad (3.4)$$

Integral in (a,b):

$$\text{consider the function } \sum_{k=1}^n [(t_k - t_{k-1}) |t_k\rangle], t_0 = a, t_n = b, \quad (3.5)$$

$$\text{if exists the limit } \lim_{|\delta_k| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n [(t_k - t_{k-1}) |t_k\rangle] = \int |t\rangle dt = |Q\rangle \quad (3.6)$$

then  $|Q\rangle$  is the integral of  $|t\rangle$ .

$$\text{In (a,b): } |Q(b)\rangle - |Q(a)\rangle = \int_a^b |t\rangle dt. \quad (3.7)$$

Derivative and integral are linear operators.

#### 4 Orthogonal systems of vectors

Consider the set of vectors  $(L = \{ |x_\alpha\rangle \}) \in \mathbb{H}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  it is an orthonormal set of vectors when

$$\forall \alpha, \beta \in (\mathbb{R}^2), \langle x_\alpha | x_\beta \rangle = \delta_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \neq \beta \\ \alpha = \beta \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4.1)$$

I can demonstrate that necessarily this set is a linearly independent set of vectors.

A set of orthonormal vectors is also a set of linearly independent vectors.

Related to the properties of the Hilbert space, follow some examples.

H1) Consider the two complex numbers sequences  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|a_n|)^2 < \infty$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (|b_n|)^2 < \infty$

Define the kets  $|a\rangle = \{a_n\}$  and  $|b\rangle = \{b_n\}$ , so that:

$$\langle a | b \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^* \cdot b_n), \quad (4.2)$$

$$\langle a | (\alpha \cdot b) \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^* \cdot \alpha \cdot b_n) = \alpha \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^* \cdot b_n), \quad (4.3)$$

$$\langle (\alpha \cdot a) | b \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(\alpha \cdot a_n)^* \cdot b_n] = \alpha^* \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^* \cdot b_n), \quad (4.4)$$

$$\text{Cauchy criterion: } \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \geq 1(\epsilon) \mathbb{Z}: |a_n - a| \leq \epsilon, \forall n \geq N \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a. \quad (4.5)$$

$$\text{Furthermore } \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \geq 1(\epsilon) \mathbb{Z}: |a_n - a_m| \leq \epsilon, \forall n, m \geq N \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a.$$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \geq 1(\epsilon) \mathbb{Z}: |b_n - b| \leq \epsilon, \forall n \geq N \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = b.$$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \geq 1(\epsilon) \mathbb{Z}: |b_n - b_m| \leq \epsilon, \forall n, m \geq N \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = b.$$

So that the space is complete, and therefore it is a Hilbert space.

H2) Continue functions space, defined in the range (0,1). Let's consider the two continue functionals f and g, and calculate the scalar product

$$\langle f | g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x) \cdot g(x) dx, \quad (4.6)$$

which always exists, been f and g continue functions.

Now see if they satisfy the scalar product axioms:

$$\langle f | (\alpha \cdot g) \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x) \cdot \alpha \cdot g(x) dx = \alpha \cdot \int_0^1 f(x) \cdot g(x) dx = \alpha \cdot (\langle f(x) | g(x) \rangle), \quad (4.7)$$

$$\langle (\alpha \cdot f) | g \rangle = \int_0^1 (\alpha \cdot f(x)) \cdot g(x) dx = \alpha \cdot \int_0^1 f(x) \cdot g(x) dx = \alpha \cdot (\langle f(x) | g(x) \rangle), \quad (4.8)$$

$$\langle f | f \rangle \geq 0, \quad (4.9)$$

and so on.

If the Cauchy's convergence criterion is verified, then this vector space is complete and, therefore the continue functions' space is a Hilbert space.

H3) The spaces  $L^2 [ a, b ]$  (also indicated  $L_2 [ a, b ]$ ) of the (L=Lebesgue) integrable functions is a Hilbert space.

$L^2 [ 0, 2 \cdot \pi ] \supset \{ \frac{e^{i \cdot n \cdot x}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \}$  is a complete space and therefore it is a Hilbert space.

$L^2 [ -1, 1 ] \supset \{ P(\lambda, \xi) \}$  set of all **Legendre** polynomials, is a complete space and therefore it is a Hilbert space.

$$P(n, x) = \frac{1}{2^n \cdot n!} \cdot \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} (x^2 - 1)^n, \quad f(n, x) = \sqrt{n + \frac{1}{2}} \cdot P(n, x). \quad (4.10)$$

$L^2 [ -\infty, \infty ] \supset \{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)^2 dx \}$  set of all square summable functions, (**Hermite** polynomials) is a complete space and therefore it is a Hilbert space.

$$H(n, z) = \frac{e^{-z^2}}{\sqrt{2^n \cdot n! \cdot \pi}} \cdot \frac{\partial^n}{\partial z^n} e^{-z^2} = (-1)^n \cdot \frac{2 \cdot n!}{n!} \cdot F\left(-n, \frac{1}{2}, z^2\right). \quad (4.11)$$

### 5 Limited linear operators [8]

The operator acts on a ket by left :  $\mathbf{A} | y \rangle = | z \rangle$  (5.1)

and on a bra on the right :  $\langle x | \mathbf{A} = \langle y |$  (5.2)

The eigenvalues spectrum consists of:

a) a discrete part, i. e. a finite or infinite set of values  $\lambda_n$  with n integer;

b) a continuous part i. e. a set of values  $\lambda(\nu)$  which is a continuous and monotone function of  $\nu$ .

Properties of the continuous spectrum:

1)  $\lambda(\nu) \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

2) orthonormality of the eigenkets belonging to distinct eigenvalues:  $\langle y(\nu, r) | y(\nu_1, r_1) \rangle = \Delta(\nu, \nu_1) \cdot \Delta(r, r_1)$

A linear application  $\mathbf{A} : \mathbb{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_2$  ( $\mathbf{A}$  maps  $\mathbb{H}_1$  on  $\mathbb{H}_2$ ), with  $(\mathbb{H}_1, \mathbb{H}_2) \in \mathbb{H}$ , Hilbert space, is a linear operator.

$\mathbf{A}$  is limited if  $\exists c \in \mathbb{C} : \| \mathbf{A} | x \rangle \| \leq |c| \cdot (\| | x \rangle \|)$ ,  $\forall | x \rangle \in \mathbb{H}_1$ .

The set of all limited and linear operators, together the usual composition laws, is indicated with  $[\mathbb{H}_1, \mathbb{H}_2]$ .

$[\mathbb{H}_1, \mathbb{H}_2]$  is a vector space on  $\mathbb{K}$  ( $\mathbb{K} \in \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{K} \in \mathbb{C}$ ). For each operator  $\mathbf{A}$ , exists a norm  $\| \mathbf{A} \|$ .  $\mathbb{H}_1$  is the domain and

$\mathbb{H}_2$  is the codominium or the operator's *range*  $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$ .

If  $f_1 \in \mathbb{H}_1$  and  $f_2 \in \mathbb{H}_2$ , the operator  $\mathbf{A}$  lets associate to  $f_1$  the function  $f_2$ , that is:

$$\forall | x \rangle \in D_{\mathbf{A}} \subset \mathbb{H}_1 \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} | x \rangle \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) \subset \mathbb{H}_2$$

Be  $\mathbb{H}_1$  a linear subset of  $\mathbb{H}_2$ , then:

$$\mathbf{A}(\alpha + \beta) = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{A} + \beta \cdot \mathbf{A}, \quad \forall (\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R} \vee \mathbb{C}, \quad \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{H}, \quad (5.3)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}) | x \rangle = \mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} | x \rangle), \quad (5.4)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \cdot \mathbf{C}, \quad (5.5)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot (\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{C}, \quad (5.6)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \alpha \cdot \mathbf{B} = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}, \quad (5.7)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \quad (5.8)$$

$$\text{Commutator} \quad [\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}] = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \quad (5.9)$$

$$\text{Identity} \quad \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}, \quad (5.10)$$

$$\text{Schwarz inequality [4]} \quad (| \langle x | \mathbf{A} | y \rangle |)^2 \leq \langle x | \mathbf{A} | x \rangle \cdot \langle y | \mathbf{A} | y \rangle \quad (5.11)$$

$$\text{Bessel inequality [4]} \quad \sum_{\alpha} [ | \langle x_{\alpha} | x \rangle |^2 ] \leq \langle x | x \rangle \quad \forall | x \rangle \quad (\forall | x_{\alpha} \rangle \neq 0) \quad (\in) \quad \mathbb{L} \quad (5.12)$$

$$\text{Parseval Theorem [4]} \quad \sum_{\alpha} ( | \langle x_{\alpha} | x \rangle |^2 ) = \langle x | x \rangle \quad (5.13)$$

**then the orthonormal system is complete.** In such case is worth the following vector decomposition:

$$\text{Decomposition} \quad | x \rangle = \sum_{\alpha} \langle x_{\alpha} | x \rangle | x_{\alpha} \rangle \quad \forall | x \rangle \quad (\forall | x_{\alpha} \rangle \neq 0) \quad (\in) \quad \mathbb{L} \quad (5.14)$$

Each ket is thus, expressible as a linear combination of its components and hence the vector system

$$(\mathbb{L} = \{ | x(t) \rangle \}) \in \mathbb{H},$$

is a complete basis.

Hilbert spaces for which orthonormal and complete vector spaces are at most numerable, are *separable*.

$$\forall | x \rangle, \quad \forall | x_j \rangle \neq 0 \in \mathbb{L} = \{ | x(t) \rangle \} \in \mathbb{H} \Rightarrow | x \rangle = \sum_{j=0}^N \langle x_j | x \rangle | x_j \rangle. \quad (5.15)$$

$$| x \rangle = | x_s \rangle + | x_n \rangle \quad (5.16)$$

$$(\langle x_s | x_s \rangle)^2 + (\langle x_n | x_n \rangle)^2 \leq (| \langle x | x \rangle |)^2$$

$$\langle x_s | x_n \rangle = 0 \quad (5.17)$$

### 6 Inverse operators

Inverse operator  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ , is an operator such that  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$ , (6.1)

this property is not always verified (not invertible operator). That is the operator  $\mathbf{A}$  is invertible if and only if

$$\forall | y \rangle \in [\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})] \exists | x \rangle \in D_{\mathbf{A}} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A} | x \rangle = | y \rangle \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A}) \subset \mathbb{H}_2$$

$$\mathbf{A} | x \rangle = | y \rangle \Rightarrow (\mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}) | x \rangle = | x \rangle = \mathbf{A}^{-1} | y \rangle.$$

$$(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

The inverse of an operator can be found studying the equation  $\mathbf{A} | x \rangle = | 0 \rangle$ .

$$\forall \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \text{Mat}(N, N) \quad (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1}. \quad (6.2)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

$$\forall \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \text{Mat}(N, N) \quad (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B})^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

$$\forall \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \text{Mat}(N, N) \quad (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^{-1} = (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B})^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

$$\forall \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \text{Mat}(N, N) \quad (\mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{B}^2)^{-1} = [(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) + [\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}]]^{-1}$$

$$\forall \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \text{Mat}(N, N) \quad (\mathbf{A}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2)^{-1} = [(\mathbf{A} + i \cdot \mathbf{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{A} - i \cdot \mathbf{B}) + i \cdot ([\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}])]^{-1}$$

Example matrix calculation

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot [\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1}]$$

$$\mathbf{A} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & -5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B} := \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 8 & 0 \\ 6 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{I} := \text{identity}(\text{rows}(\mathbf{A}))$$

$$(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.483 & 0.015 & 0.049 \\ -0.053 & -0.064 & 0.042 \\ -0.034 & 0.03 & 0.098 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.483 & 0.015 & 0.049 \\ -0.053 & -0.064 & 0.042 \\ -0.034 & 0.03 & 0.098 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{B})^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.483 & 0.015 & 0.049 \\ -0.053 & -0.064 & 0.042 \\ -0.034 & 0.03 & 0.098 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{A}^2 - \mathbf{B}^2)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.015 & -0.027 & 8.354 \times 10^{-3} \\ -0.039 & 0.066 & 4.806 \times 10^{-3} \\ 8.967 \times 10^{-3} & 0.019 & 2.597 \times 10^{-3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A}]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.015 & -0.027 & 8.354 \times 10^{-3} \\ -0.039 & 0.066 & 4.806 \times 10^{-3} \\ 8.967 \times 10^{-3} & 0.019 & 2.597 \times 10^{-3} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{A}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.032 & -5.938 \times 10^{-3} & -5.695 \times 10^{-3} \\ -5.563 \times 10^{-3} & 9.049 \times 10^{-3} & -1.561 \times 10^{-3} \\ -0.019 & -7.209 \times 10^{-4} & 0.011 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[(\mathbf{A} + i \cdot \mathbf{B}) \cdot (\mathbf{A} - i \cdot \mathbf{B}) + i \cdot (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A})]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.032 & -5.938 \times 10^{-3} & -5.695 \times 10^{-3} \\ -5.563 \times 10^{-3} & 9.049 \times 10^{-3} & -1.561 \times 10^{-3} \\ -0.019 & -7.209 \times 10^{-4} & 0.011 \end{pmatrix}$$

Example matrix calculation

The operator  $\mathbf{P} = |u\rangle\langle v|$  has no inverse.

Examples of operators inversion:

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1} |F(\omega)\rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega \cdot x} d\omega |F(\omega)\rangle = |f(x)\rangle$$

Fourier  $\mathcal{F} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega \cdot x} dx$  use with the Mathcad prefix operator

$$\mathcal{F} |f(x)\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega \cdot x} dx |f(x)\rangle = |F(\omega)\rangle$$

Laplace  $\mathcal{L} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-s \cdot x} dx$  use with the Mathcad prefix operator

$$\mathcal{L} |g(x)\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-s \cdot x} dx |g(x)\rangle = |G(s)\rangle$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1} |G(s)\rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot i} \int_{\sigma-i\infty}^{\sigma+i\infty} e^{s \cdot x} ds |G(s)\rangle = |g(x)\rangle$$

Differential operators

Examples:

$$D_{01}) \quad \mathbf{A} = -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1} = -\frac{1}{i} \int \cdot dx + C$$

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1} = -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( -\frac{1}{i} \int \cdot dx + C \right) = \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow C = 0$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A} = \left( -\frac{1}{i} \int \cdot dx \right) \left( -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) = \int \cdot dx \frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \mathbf{I}$$

$D_{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$D_{02}) \quad \mathbf{A} = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \left( -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^{-1} \left( -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^{-1} = \left( -\frac{1}{i} \int \cdot dx \right) \left( -\frac{1}{i} \int \cdot dx \right) = -\int \cdot dx \int \cdot dx$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = -\int \int \cdot dx dx$$

Example with matrices

### 7 Adjoint operator [4]

The **adjoint** of a linear operator  $\mathbf{A}$  (or Hermitian conjugate operator of  $\mathbf{A}$ ) is written  $\mathbf{A}^\dagger$  (read: adjoint of  $\mathbf{A}$ ).

$$\text{if } \mathbf{A} \in \text{MAT}(n, n): \mathbf{A}^\dagger = (\mathbf{A}^*)^T, \quad (7.1)$$

furthermore, the operator  $\mathbf{A}$  is **Hermitian** if  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger$ .

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a linear operator and  $|x\rangle$  the ket conjugated of the bra  $\langle y | \mathbf{A}$ , namely  $|x\rangle = (\langle y | \mathbf{A})^*$ .

The ket  $|x\rangle$  depends anti linearly upon the bra  $\langle y |$ , it is therefore, a linear function of  $|y\rangle$ , through the new operator  $\mathbf{A}^\dagger$ :

$$|x\rangle = \mathbf{A}^\dagger |y\rangle \quad (7.2)$$

From (2.4):  $\langle x | y \rangle = \langle y | x \rangle^*$ , it follows that:

$$\langle u | \mathbf{A} | v \rangle = \langle v | \mathbf{A}^\dagger | u \rangle = \langle v | \mathbf{A} | u \rangle^* \quad (7.3)$$

The ket conjugated to  $\langle v | \mathbf{A}^\dagger$  is  $\mathbf{A} | v \rangle$ .

practical rule to obtain the adjoint (or Hermitian conjugate)

of a const replace with const \*complex conjugated

of a  $\langle x |$  replace with  $|x\rangle$

of a  $|x\rangle$  replace with  $\langle x |$

of a  $\mathbf{A}$  replace with  $\mathbf{A}^\dagger$

of  $(c \cdot \mathbf{A})^\dagger$  replace with  $c^* \cdot \mathbf{A}^\dagger$  where  $c$  is a complex constant (7.4)

Reverse in each term the order of the various symbols

$$(A | x \rangle)^\dagger = \langle x | A^\dagger \quad (7.5)$$

$$(\langle u | A | v \rangle)^\dagger = \langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle \quad (7.6)$$

$$(A \cdot B | u \rangle \langle v | C)^\dagger = C^\dagger | v \rangle \langle u | B^\dagger \cdot A^\dagger \quad (7.7)$$

$$(A \cdot B | u \rangle \langle v | w \rangle)^\dagger = \langle w | v \rangle \langle u | B^\dagger \cdot A^\dagger \quad (7.8)$$

$$(\langle x | A \cdot B | u \rangle \langle v | w \rangle)^\dagger = \langle w | v \rangle \langle u | B^\dagger \cdot A^\dagger | x \rangle \quad (7.9)$$

$$(\langle x | A \cdot B | u \rangle \langle v | C | w \rangle)^* = \langle w | C^\dagger | v \rangle \langle u | B^\dagger \cdot A^\dagger | x \rangle \quad (7.10)$$

$$(\langle x | A \cdot B | u \rangle \langle v | C | w \rangle)^* = \langle x | A \cdot B (| u \rangle)^* \cdot \langle v | C | w \rangle^* \quad (7.11)$$

$$(\langle x | A \cdot B | u \rangle)^\dagger = \langle u | B^\dagger \cdot A^\dagger | x \rangle \quad (7.12)$$

$$(\langle v | C | w \rangle)^\dagger = \langle w | C^\dagger | v \rangle \quad (7.13)$$

$$\langle u | A | v \rangle^* = (\langle u | A | v \rangle)^\dagger = \langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle$$

A way to calculate the adjoint of a given operator  $A \in (L^2[a, b])$  (Hilbert space), that is  $A^\dagger$ , is to calculate its expectation value, considering two vectors  $\langle u |$  and  $| v \rangle$ , as follows:

$$\text{For } L^2[a, b] \text{ the scalar product is } \boxed{\langle u | v \rangle = \int_a^b u(x) \cdot v(x) dx} \quad (7.14)$$

according to the definition  $\langle u | A | v \rangle = \int_a^b u(x) \cdot A v(x) dx$  I proceed to calculate the adjoint:

$$\langle u | A | v \rangle^* = (\langle u | A | v \rangle)^\dagger = \langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = \left( \int_a^b u(x) \cdot A v(x) dx \right)^* \quad A \in (L^2[a, b]) \quad (7.15)$$

For the integration by parts I consider: as finite factor:  $u^*$ , as differential factor:  $A v \cdot dx$ , I get:

$$A \in (L^2[a, b]) \quad \int_a^b u(x) \cdot A v(x) dx = u(x) \cdot \int_a^b A v dx - \int_a^b \left( \int_a^b A v dx \right) du^* \quad (7.16)$$

$$\int_a^b u(x) \cdot A v(x) dx = \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \left( u^* \cdot \int_a^b A v dx \right) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( u^* \cdot \int_a^b A v dx \right) \right] - \int_a^b \left( \int_a^b A v dx \right) du^*$$

$$\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = \left( \int_a^b u(x) \cdot A v(x) dx \right)^*$$

$$\left( \int_a^b u(x) \cdot A v(x) dx \right)^* = \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \left( u^* \cdot \int_a^b A v dx \right)^* - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( u^* \cdot \int_a^b A v dx \right)^* - \int_a^b \left( \int_a^b A v dx \right) du^*$$

1) Consider first the case where the operator is  $A = c \cdot R$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $R$  be the vector Operator,

$$A^\dagger = c^* \cdot R^\dagger \quad (7.17)$$

$$\text{integrating by parts } \int_a^b u(x) \cdot A v(x) dx = c \cdot \int_a^b u(x) \cdot R v(x) dx, \quad A \in (L^2[a, b])$$

Finite factor  $u^*$ , Differential factor:  $R v \cdot dx$  I get:

$$\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = \left( c \cdot \int_a^b u^* \cdot R v dx \right)^* = c^* \cdot \left[ \left( u^* \cdot \int_a^b R v dx \right)^* - \int_a^b \left( \int_a^b R v dx \right) du^* \right]^*$$

$$A \in (L^2[a, b])$$

$$\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = c^* \cdot \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \left( u^* \cdot \int_a^b R v dx \right)^* - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( u^* \cdot \int_a^b R v dx \right)^* - \int_a^b \left( \int_a^b R v dx \right) du^* \right]^*$$

2)  $A = Q \cdot R$ ,  $(Q, R) \in (L^2[a, b])$  are two vector Operators

$$\langle u | A | v \rangle^* = (\langle u | A | v \rangle)^\dagger = \langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = \left[ \int_a^b u(x) \cdot (Q \cdot R) v(x) dx \right]^* \quad (Q, R) \in (L^2[a, b])$$

$$(\langle u | A | v \rangle)^\dagger = \langle v | (Q \cdot R)^\dagger | u \rangle = \langle v | (R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger) | u \rangle$$

$$\langle v | (R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger) | u \rangle = \int_a^b v^* \cdot R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger u dx = v^* \cdot \int_a^b R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger u dx - \int_a^b \left( \int_a^b R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger u dx \right) dv^*$$

calculate  $(\langle u | A | v \rangle)^\dagger$  assuming that  $(u, v) \in (L^2[a, b]) \quad \forall x \in ([a, b]) \quad u(a) = u(b) = 0$

$$\langle v | (R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger) | u \rangle = \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \left( v^* \cdot \int_a^b R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger u dx \right) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( v^* \cdot \int_a^b R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger u dx \right) \dots$$

$$+ \int_a^b \left( - \int_a^b R^\dagger \cdot Q^\dagger u dx \right) dv^*$$

3)  $A = F(x) \cdot R$ ,  $R$  be the given vector Operator,

calculate  $(\langle u | A | v \rangle)^\dagger$  assuming that  $(F(x), u, v) \in (L^2[a, b]) \quad \forall x \in ([a, b]) \quad u(a) = u(b) = 0$



$$\langle u | A | v \rangle^\dagger = \langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle \quad A^\dagger = (F \cdot R)^\dagger = F^* \cdot R^\dagger$$

$$\langle v | (F^* \cdot R^\dagger) | u \rangle = \int v^* \cdot F^* \cdot R^\dagger u \, dx = v^* \cdot \int F^* \cdot R^\dagger u \, dx - \left[ \int F^* \cdot R^\dagger u \, dx \right] dv^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v | (F^* \cdot R^\dagger) | u \rangle &= \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \left[ v^* \cdot \int F^* \cdot R^\dagger u \, dx \right] - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[ v^* \cdot \int F^* \cdot R^\dagger u \, dx \right] \dots \\ &\quad + \int_a^b \left[ -v^* \cdot \int F^* \cdot R^\dagger u \, dx \right] dv^* \end{aligned}$$

4)  $A = Q + R$ ,  $A \in (L^2[a, b])$   $Q, R$  be two vector Operators

$$\langle v | (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) | u \rangle = \int v^* \cdot (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) u \, dx = v^* \cdot \int (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) u \, dx - \left[ \int (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) v \, dx \right] dv^*$$

$A \in (L^2[a, b])$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v | (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) | u \rangle &= \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \left[ v^* \cdot \int (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) u \, dx \right] \dots \\ &\quad + (-1) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[ v^* \cdot \int (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) u \, dx \right] - \int_a^b \left[ v^* \cdot \int (Q^\dagger + R^\dagger) u \, dx \right] du^* \end{aligned}$$

## 8 Examples of adjoint operators calculation

Examples of adjoint operators calculation

**Example Adj1) [7]**

given the operator  $A = -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

calculate  $\langle u | A^\dagger | v \rangle$  assuming that  $(u, v) \in (L^2[a, b]) \quad \forall x \in ([a, b]) \quad u(a) = u(b) = 0$

according to the definition:  $\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = \left[ \langle u | (-i) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} | v \rangle \right]^* = \left[ i \cdot \int_a^b u(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(x) \, dx \right]^*$

Integration by parts: finite factor:  $u(x)^*$ , differential factor:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(x)$

$$\left[ i \cdot \int_a^b u(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(x) \, dx \right]^* = \left[ i \cdot u(x)^* \cdot \int_a^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(x) \, dx - i \cdot \int_a^b \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v \, dx \right) du^* \right]^*$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle &= -i \cdot \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow b} \left( u^* \cdot \int \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v \, dx \right) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left( u^* \cdot \int \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v \, dx \right) \right] \dots \\ &\quad + \left[ \int_a^b \left( - \int \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v \, dx \right) du^* \right]^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = -i \cdot \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow b} (u \cdot v^*) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a} (u \cdot v^*) - \int_a^b \left( \int \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v \, dx \right) du^* \right]^*$$

$$i \cdot (v(b)^* \cdot u(b) - v(a)^* \cdot u(a)) = 0$$

$$\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = i \cdot (v(b)^* \cdot u(b) - v(a)^* \cdot u(a)) - \langle u | i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} | v \rangle$$

$$\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = \langle u | i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} | v \rangle$$

$$\langle v | A^\dagger | u \rangle = \left( \langle u | i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} | v \rangle \right)^* = -i \cdot \left[ \int_a^b v du \right]^* = -i \cdot \left[ \int_a^b v \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (u^*) dx \right]^* = -i \cdot \int_a^b v^* \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u dx$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A^\dagger = i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \quad \forall x \in ([a, b]) \quad u(a) = u(b) = 0$

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**Example Adj2) [1]**

given the operator  $A_x = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$

with  $P(x) \neq 0 \quad Q(x) \neq 0 \quad R(x) \neq 0$

calculate  $\langle u | A_x^\dagger | v \rangle$  assuming that  $(u, v) \in (L^2[a, b]) \quad \forall x \in ([a, b]) \quad u(a) = u(b) = 0$

$$\int_a^b u(x) \cdot \left( P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x) \right) v(x) dx = \int_a^b u(x) \cdot A_x^\dagger v(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b u(x) \cdot \left( P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x) \right) v(x) dx = \int_a^b \left( u(x) \cdot P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} v(x) + u(x) \cdot R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(x) + u(x) \cdot Q(x) \cdot v(x) \right) dx$$

$$\int_a^b \left( u(x) \cdot P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} v(x) + u(x) \cdot R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} v(x) + u(x) \cdot Q(x) \cdot v(x) \right) dx = \int_a^b \left( u(x) \cdot \left( P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + 2 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} P(x) + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R(x) + Q(x) \right) v(x) \right) dx$$

$$A_x^\dagger = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + (2 \cdot P'(x) - R(x)) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + (P''(x) - R'(x) + Q(x))$$

Adjoint operator of  $A_x$ :  $A_x^\dagger = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \cdot P(x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot R(x) + Q(x)$  or more explicitly:

$$A_x^\dagger = \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) P(x) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) R(x) + Q(x) = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + (2 \cdot P'(x) - R(x)) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + (P''(x) - R'(x) + Q(x))$$

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**Example Adj3)**

given the operator  $A = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$

with  $P(x) \neq 0 \quad Q(x) \neq 0$

$$R(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x)$$

$$A^\dagger = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \left( 2 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x) \right) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} P(x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x) + Q(x)$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A^\dagger = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x) = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x) = A$

If  $R(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x) \Rightarrow A^\dagger = A$

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**Example Adj4)**

given the operator  $A = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$

with  $Q(x) \neq 0 \quad R(x) \neq 0 \quad P(x) = 0$

resulting adjoint operator  $A^\dagger = -R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R(x) + Q(x)$

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**Example Adj5)**

given the operator  $A = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$

with  $P(x) = 1 \quad R(x) = 0 \quad Q(x) = 0$

$$A^\dagger = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Rightarrow A^\dagger = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Rightarrow A^\dagger = A$

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**Example Adj6)**

given the operator  $A = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$

with  $P(x) = 0 \quad R(x) = 1 \quad Q(x) = 0$

$$A^\dagger = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} P(x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R(x) + Q(x)$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Rightarrow A^\dagger = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

**Example Adj7)**

given the operator  $A = -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

$$A = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$$

with  $P(x) = 0$   $R(x) = -i$   $Q(x) = 0$

$$A^\dagger = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \left( 2 \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(x) - R(x) \right) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} P(x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R(x) + Q(x) = i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A = -i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Rightarrow A^\dagger = i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

**Example Adj8)**

given the operator  $A = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$ ,

$P(x) = -1$   $R(x) = 0$   $Q(x) = 0$

$$A = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$$

$$A_x^\dagger = \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) P(x) - \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) R(x) + Q(x) = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A^\dagger = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$

$$A = A^\dagger$$

**Example Adj9)**

given the operator  $A = P(x) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + Q(x)$ ,

$P(x) = 1$   $R(x) \neq 0$   $Q(x) \neq 0$

The Wronskian is:  $W(x) = f_1(x) \cdot f_2'(x) - f_2(x) \cdot f_1'(x)$

it satisfies the differential equation

$A_x G(x, \xi) = \delta(x - \xi)$  where  $G(x, \xi)$  is the Green function:

$$G(x, \xi) = \begin{cases} \frac{u_1(x) \cdot u_2'(\xi) - u_2(x) \cdot u_1'(\xi)}{W(\xi)} & \text{if } \xi < x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$W(x)$  is the Wronskian

For the variable  $\xi$  there is a second differential equation, namely:

$$A_\xi^\dagger G(x, \xi) = \delta(x - \xi)$$

resulting adjoint operator

$$A^\dagger = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - R(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} R(x) + Q(x)$$

**Example Adj10)**

$$A = \nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A^\dagger = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} = \nabla^2$   $A = A^\dagger$   $A$  is Hermitian

$$(\nabla^2)^\dagger = \nabla^2$$

**Example Adj11)**

$$A = \nabla \cdot = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A^\dagger = -\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) = -\nabla \cdot$   $A = -A^\dagger$   $A$  is anti Hermitian

$$(\nabla \cdot)^\dagger = -\nabla \cdot$$

**Example Adj12)**

$$A = \nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot i_x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \cdot i_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \cdot i_z$$

resulting adjoint operator  $A^\dagger = -\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cdot i_x + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \cdot i_y + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \cdot i_z \right) = -\nabla$   $A = -A^\dagger$   $A$  is anti Hermitian

$$\nabla^\dagger = -\nabla$$

Examples of adjoint operators calculation

Example Adj13)

## 9 Spectral Decomposition of an Operator

Given the operator  $A$  defined in  $D \in \mathbb{H}$ , I associate to it the operator  $A - \lambda \cdot I$ , where  $I$  is the identity operator and  $\lambda$  is complex number. I want calculate the inverse operator  $(A - \lambda \cdot I)^{-1}$ . To do that, I consider the action of the operator on a ket such that:  $(A - \lambda \cdot I) |x\rangle = |0\rangle$  that is it must be satisfied the eigenvalue equation  $A |x\rangle = \lambda |x\rangle$ .

It follows that the operator  $A - \lambda \cdot I$  is invertible if the solution  $|x\rangle$  of the eigenvalue equation is the simplest, that is a function of  $\lambda$ . The set of the complex values of  $\lambda$  for which the equation has a no banal solution, that is the values of  $\lambda$  for that the operator isn't invertible, forms the discrete spectrum of the operator  $A$  and are the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

Vice versa when the values of  $\lambda$  gives the banal solution, then the operator  $A - \lambda \cdot I$  is invertible that is  $\exists (A - \lambda \cdot I)^{-1}$ . When this happens there are several possibilities:

- 1) if the operator  $(A - \lambda \cdot I)^{-1}$  is limited, the corresponding value of  $\lambda$  belongs to the solving set of the operator  $A$ .
- 2) if the operator  $(A - \lambda \cdot I)^{-1}$  isn't limited, then  $\lambda$  belongs to the continuous spectrum of  $A$ .

Consider the space  $(L = \{ |x\rangle \}) \in \mathbb{H}$ . Each linear operator  $A$  has its eigenkets and the corresponding eigenvalue satisfying the equation:

$$A |x\rangle = \lambda |x\rangle, \quad (9.1)$$

where the  $\lambda$  are numbers and are the eigenvalues of the operator  $A$ , they constitute the set of the eigenvalues of the operator  $A$ . To each eigenvector is associated an eigenvalue.

If there exist several linear independent eigenkets belonging to the same eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , any linear combination of this  $|x\rangle$  is an eigenket of  $A$  belonging to  $\lambda$ . That is the ensemble of eigenkets of  $A$  belonging to  $\lambda$  forms a vector space call **the subspace of the eigenvalue**  $\lambda$ . If this subspace is one dimensional, the eigenvalue is said **single or non-degenerate**. If this subspace is multidimensional, the eigenvalue is said **degenerate**. The order of degeneracy is given by the number of dimensions of this subspace (maybe of infinite order).

The eigenbras and the corresponding eigenvalues of the operator  $A$  satisfy the equation:

$$\langle y | A = \langle y | \mu, \quad (9.2)$$

where the  $\mu$  are numbers and are other eigenvalues of the operator  $A$ .  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  constitutes the spectrum of  $A$ .

Instead, if  $A$  is Hermitian ( $A = A^\dagger$ ):

i) the two eigenvalues spectra are identical ( $\lambda = \mu$ ),

ii) all eigenvalues are real, (since  $A = A^\dagger$ ,  $\langle x | A | x \rangle = \lambda \cdot (\langle x | x \rangle)$ ,

$$\langle x | A | x \rangle^* = \langle x | A^\dagger | x \rangle = \langle x | A | x \rangle = [\lambda \cdot (\langle x | x \rangle)]^* = \lambda \cdot (\langle x | x \rangle),$$

$\langle x | A | x \rangle$  and  $\langle x | x \rangle$  are real, therefore also  $\lambda$  is real.

iii) each eigenket and eigenbra correspond to the same eigenvalue  $\lambda = \mu$ . The subspace of the eigenbras of  $\mu$  is the dual space of the subspace of the eigenkets of the same eigenvalue.

iv) Eigenvectors belonging to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal.

Given  $A |x\rangle = \lambda |x\rangle$  and  $\langle y | A = \langle y | \mu$ ,  $\langle y | A | x \rangle = \langle y | \lambda | x \rangle = \lambda \cdot (\langle y | x \rangle)$ ,

$$\langle y | A = \langle y | \mu \quad \langle y | A | x \rangle = \langle y | \mu | x \rangle = \mu \cdot (\langle y | x \rangle),$$

subtracting term by term I get:  $\langle y | A | x \rangle - \langle y | A | x \rangle = 0 = (\lambda - \mu) \cdot (\langle y | x \rangle)$ , consequently if

$$\lambda \neq \mu, \quad \langle y | x \rangle = 0.$$

Based on the property 2.8), the norms of the kets must be finite. The vectors with infinite norm with eigenvalues belonging to the **continuous spectrum** don't belong to the Hilbert space. Properties i), ii), iii), iv) are yet true.

## 10 Projector Operator [6]

Consider the Hilbert space  $\mathbb{H}$  and a subspace  $\mathfrak{k} \subseteq \mathbb{H}$ .  $\mathfrak{k}$  is linear and closed. The ket  $|x\rangle \in \mathbb{H}$  can be divided in two vectors:  $|x_s\rangle$  and  $|x_n\rangle$ , such that  $|x_s\rangle \in \mathfrak{k}$  and  $|x_n\rangle$  has the property to be orthogonal to each vector of  $\mathfrak{k}$ , that is  $\langle x_s | x_n \rangle = 0$ ,  $\forall |x_s\rangle \in \mathfrak{k}$ . If the space  $\mathfrak{k}$  is closed under multiplication by a number and under vector addition, that is if  $|x\rangle$  and  $|y\rangle \in \mathfrak{k}$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$P(\alpha |x\rangle + \beta |y\rangle) = \alpha P|x\rangle + \beta P|y\rangle = \alpha |x\rangle + \beta |y\rangle$$

the decomposition exists and is unique. The operator that associates to each ket  $|x\rangle$  its  $|x_s\rangle$  is defined in the whole space  $\mathbb{H}$  and is the projector  $P$ , that is:

$$P |x\rangle = |x_s\rangle, \quad \forall |x\rangle \in \mathbb{H}, P \in \mathbb{H}.$$

**Properties:**

$$P \text{ is limited: } |P |x\rangle| \leq | |x\rangle| \quad (10.1)$$

$$\text{it is idempotent: } P^2 = P \quad (10.2)$$

$$P |x\rangle = |x_s\rangle$$

$$P P |x\rangle = P |x_s\rangle = |x_s\rangle \quad (10.4)$$

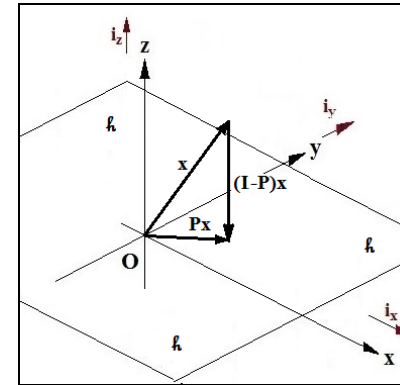
$$\text{It is auto-adjunct or Hermitian: } P = P^\dagger \quad \text{necessary and sufficient condition} \quad (10.3)$$

A Hermitian operator  $P$  is called a **projection operator or projector** iff it is independent ( $P^2 = P$ ).

$\mathfrak{k}$  is the set of the vectors  $Px$  with  $x \in \mathbb{H}$  hence I can write

$$\mathfrak{k} = P \mathbb{H}$$

Let  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R}^3$  that is the three dimensional euclidean space, and  $\mathfrak{k}$  a plane passing through the origin. Then  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $Px$  be the ordinary projection of  $x$  onto the plane  $\mathfrak{k}$ .



$$Px + (I - P)x = Px + x - Px = x$$

$$Px + (P - I)x = Px + Px - x = x$$

The projector  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}$  determines another subspace, the orthonormal one, denoted by  $\mathbf{h}^\perp$ . All vector  $|x_s\rangle$  of  $\mathbf{h}$  are orthonormal to the vectors  $|x_n\rangle$  of  $\mathbf{h}^\perp$ . Then:

$$|x_s\rangle = \mathbf{P} |x\rangle$$

$$|x_n\rangle = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}) |x\rangle$$

verify the orthonormality:

$$\langle x_s | x_n \rangle = \langle x | \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}) | x \rangle = \langle x | (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{P}^2) | x \rangle = \langle x | (\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{P}) | x \rangle = 0$$

Two subspaces  $\mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{h}_2 \subseteq \mathbb{H}$  are mutually orthogonal if  $\forall |x\rangle \in \mathbf{h}_1$  and  $\forall |y\rangle \in \mathbf{h}_2$ , results  $\langle x | y \rangle = 0$ .

The set  $\mathbf{h} = \{|x\rangle + |y\rangle : |x\rangle \in \mathbf{h}_1, |y\rangle \in \mathbf{h}_2\}$  is the *direct sum* of  $\mathbf{h}_1$  and  $\mathbf{h}_2$  and is denoted by:

$$\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{h}_1 \oplus \mathbf{h}_2.$$

For a collection of mutually orthogonal subspaces  $\mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{h}_2, \dots, \mathbf{h}_n$ , their direct sum is indicated so:

$$\mathbf{h} = \sum_j \oplus \mathbf{h}_j = \left\{ \sum_j |x_j\rangle : |x_j\rangle \in \mathbf{h}_j \right\}.$$

$\forall |x\rangle \in \mathbb{H}$  I can write  $|x\rangle = \mathbf{P} |x\rangle + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}) |x\rangle$ , that is any projector  $\mathbf{P}$  gives a decomposition of  $\mathbb{H}$  into orthogonal spaces  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbf{h} \oplus (\mathbf{h}^\perp)$ . Furthermore  $\forall |x\rangle \in \mathbb{H}$ , the set  $\{\alpha |x\rangle : \alpha \in \mathbb{C}\}$  is a one dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{H}$ , or the space spanned by  $|x\rangle$ . Given the basis  $\{|a_\gamma\rangle\} \in \mathbb{H}$ , the trace of the operator  $\mathbf{A}$  is:

$$\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_\gamma \langle a_\gamma | \mathbf{A} | a_\gamma \rangle$$

In effect the trace is independent from the basis.  $\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}) = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{A})$

$$\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}) + \text{Tr}(\mathbf{B}).$$

Given  $|x_j\rangle \in \mathbf{h}_j$ , that is  $\mathbf{h}_j$  is the space spanned by  $|x_j\rangle$ , then the space  $\mathbb{H}$  is the *direct sum*:

$$\mathbb{H} = \sum_j \oplus \mathbf{h}_j = \mathbf{h}_0 \oplus \mathbf{h}_1 \oplus \mathbf{h}_2 \oplus \mathbf{h}_3 \oplus \dots$$

Let  $\mathbf{P}_n$ , with  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$ , denote the projector on  $\mathbf{h}_n$ , then the operator form of the previous is:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{P}_n = \mathbf{I},$$

so that  $\forall |f\rangle \in \mathbb{H}$ , I can write the sum of its components  $\mathbf{P}_n |f\rangle$  in the subspace  $\mathbf{h}_n$ , that is:

$$|f\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\mathbf{P}_n |f\rangle).$$

which is equivalent writing:

$$|f\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (|a_\gamma\rangle \langle a_\gamma | f \rangle)$$

$$\text{Elementary projector } \mathbf{P}_a = |a\rangle \langle a| \quad (10.5)$$

$$|a\rangle \langle a| = \mathbf{I} \quad (10.6)$$

Given the orthonormal set  $\mathbf{h}^\perp = \{|k\rangle\}$  with  $k=1, 2, \dots, n$ , results:  $\langle m | n \rangle = \delta_{m,n}$  (10.7)

the projector on the subset  $E_1$  is:  $\mathbf{P}_1 = \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle \langle j|$  (10.8)

If given a ket  $|\xi\rangle$  and  $\xi$  is continuous in  $(\xi_1, \xi_2)$ , then  $\langle \xi_1 | \xi \rangle = \Delta(\xi_1 - \xi)$  (10.9)

The projector on the subset  $E_2$  is:  $\mathbf{P}_2 = \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle \langle \xi| d\xi$  (10.10)

degenerate spectrum  $\mathbf{P}_2 |u\rangle = \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle \langle \xi| u\rangle d\xi$  (10.11)

Closure relation:  $\mathbf{P}_A = \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle \langle j| + \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle \langle \xi| d\xi = \mathbf{I}$  (10.12)

Expansion of any vector  $|\psi\rangle$  of Hilbert space in a series of the basic kets of the observable  $\mathbf{A}$ . I suppose that the spectrum of  $\mathbf{A}$  is non degenerate:

$$|\psi\rangle = \mathbf{P}_A |\psi\rangle = \sum_{k=1}^N |k\rangle \langle k | \psi \rangle + \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle \langle \xi | \psi \rangle d\xi \quad (10.13)$$

$$\text{Parseval: } \langle \psi | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \mathbf{P}_A | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \left( \sum_{k=1}^N |k\rangle \langle k| + \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle \langle \xi| d\xi \right) | \psi \rangle \quad (10.14)$$

$$\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^N (|\langle k | \psi \rangle|)^2 + \int_{\nu_1}^{\nu_2} (|\langle \nu | \psi \rangle|)^2 d\nu \quad (10.15)$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{P}_H = \sum_{k=1}^N |k\rangle \langle \lambda_k | k \rangle + \int_{\nu_1}^{\nu_2} |\nu\rangle \langle \lambda(\nu) | \nu \rangle d\nu \quad (10.16)$$

$$f(\mathbf{H}) = \sum_{k=1}^N |k\rangle \langle f(\lambda_k) | k \rangle + \int_{\nu_1}^{\nu_2} |\nu\rangle \langle f(\lambda(\nu)) | \nu \rangle d\nu \quad (10.17)$$

## II Commutator Operator [4]

$$[A, B] = A \cdot B - B \cdot A \quad (11.1)$$

$$[A, B] = -[B, A] \quad (11.2)$$

$$[A, \text{Const}] = A \cdot \text{Const} - \text{Const} \cdot A = 0 \quad (11.3)$$

$$[A+B, C] = [A, C] + [B, C] \quad (11.4)$$

$$[A, B \cdot C] = ([A, B]) \cdot C + B \cdot ([A, C]) \quad (11.5)$$

$$[A \cdot B, C] = ([A, C]) \cdot B + A \cdot ([B, C]) \quad (11.6)$$

$$[A \cdot B, C \cdot D] = ([A, C]) \cdot D \cdot B + C \cdot ([A, D]) \cdot B + A \cdot ([A, C]) \cdot D + A \cdot C \cdot ([B, D]) \quad (11.7)$$

$$[A \cdot B, C \cdot D] = ([D, C]) \cdot B \cdot D + A \cdot ([B, C]) \cdot D + C \cdot ([A, D]) \cdot B + C \cdot A \cdot ([B, D]) \quad (11.8)$$

$$[A, [B, C]] + [B, [C, A]] + [C, [A, B]] = 0 \quad (11.9)$$

$$[A, B^n] = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} [B^k \cdot ([A, B]) \cdot B^{n-k-1}] \quad (10.10)$$

For a given quantum system in N dimensions

Position observables  $q_i, i=1,2,\dots,N$

$$\text{Momentum observables } p_i = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i}, i=1,2,\dots,N, \quad (10.11)$$

$$[q_i, q_j] = 0 \quad (10.12)$$

$$[p_i, p_j] = 0 \quad (10.13)$$

$$[q_i, p_j] = i \cdot \hbar \cdot \delta(i, j) \quad (10.14)$$

$$[q_i, F(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)] = 0 \quad (10.15)$$

$$[p_i, G(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)] = 0 \quad (10.16)$$

$$[p_i, F(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)] = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} F \quad (10.17)$$

$$[q_i, G(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)] = i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} G \quad (10.18)$$

$$[p_i, A(p_i, q_i)] = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i} A(p_i, q_i) \quad (10.19)$$

for a one-dimensional quantum system  $[q, p^n] = i \cdot \hbar \cdot n \cdot p^{n-1} \quad (10.20)$

$$[q, p^2 \cdot f(q)] = 2i \cdot \hbar \cdot p \cdot f(q) \quad (10.21)$$

$$[q, p \cdot f(q) \cdot p] = i \cdot \hbar \cdot f(q) \cdot p + p \cdot f(q) \quad (10.22)$$

$$[q, f(q) \cdot p^2] = 2i \cdot \hbar \cdot f(q) \cdot p \quad (10.23)$$

$$[p, p^2 \cdot f(q)] = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot p \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial q} f(q) \quad (10.24)$$

$$[p, p \cdot f(q) \cdot p] = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot p \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial q} f(q) \right) \cdot p \quad (10.25)$$

$$[p, f(q) \cdot p^2] = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial q} f(q) \right) \cdot p^2 \quad (10.26)$$

## 12 Operators' Algebra [4]

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad (12.1)$$

$$\langle \mathbf{v} | = \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{A} \Rightarrow | \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{v} | * = (\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{A}) * = \mathbf{A}^\dagger | \mathbf{u} \rangle \quad (12.2)$$

$$\langle \mathbf{y} | \mathbf{A} | \mathbf{x} \rangle = (\langle \mathbf{x} | \mathbf{A}^\dagger | \mathbf{y} \rangle) * \quad (12.3)$$

$$(\mathbf{A}^\dagger)^\dagger = \mathbf{A} \quad (12.4)$$

$$(\text{const} \cdot \mathbf{A})^\dagger = \text{const} * \cdot \mathbf{A}^\dagger \quad (12.5)$$

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^\dagger = \mathbf{A}^\dagger + \mathbf{B}^\dagger \quad (12.6)$$

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^\dagger = \mathbf{B}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{A}^\dagger \quad (12.7)$$

$$(| \mathbf{u} \rangle \langle \mathbf{v} |)^\dagger = | \mathbf{v} \rangle \langle \mathbf{u} | \quad (12.8)$$

$$\text{Hermitian or self-adjoint operator: } \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger \Rightarrow \langle \mathbf{y} | \mathbf{A} | \mathbf{x} \rangle * = \langle \mathbf{x} | \mathbf{A} | \mathbf{y} \rangle \quad (12.9)$$

$$\text{Anti - Hermitian operator } \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{B}^\dagger \quad (12.10)$$

Each linear operator is formed by the sum of two operators, one Hermitian and the other anti - Hermitian:

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^\dagger}{2} - \frac{\mathbf{A}^\dagger}{2} = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^\dagger}{2} + \frac{\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^\dagger}{2} = \mathcal{Q}_+ + \mathcal{Q}_- \quad (12.11)$$

$$\text{Hermitian } \mathcal{Q}_+ = \frac{\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^\dagger}{2} \quad \mathcal{Q}_- = \frac{\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^\dagger}{2} \text{ anti - Hermitian} \quad (12.12)$$

$$\mathcal{C}_+ = \sum_{k=1}^n (\alpha_k \cdot \mathcal{Q}_+) \quad (\forall \alpha_k \in \mathbb{R} \vee \mathbb{C}) \wedge \mathcal{Q}_+ \in \mathbb{H} \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}_+ \in \mathbb{H} \quad (12.13)$$

$$\mathcal{Q}_+ = (\mathcal{Q}_+)^\dagger \quad \mathcal{B}_+ = (\mathcal{B}_+)^\dagger \Rightarrow (\mathcal{Q}_+ \cdot \mathcal{B}_+)^\dagger = (\mathcal{B}_+)^\dagger \cdot (\mathcal{Q}_+)^\dagger = \mathcal{B}_+ \cdot \mathcal{Q}_+ = \mathcal{Q}_+ \cdot \mathcal{B}_+ \quad (12.14)$$

The product of two Hermitian operators  $\mathcal{Q}_+$  and  $\mathcal{B}_+$ , is Hermitian if and only if  $[\mathcal{Q}_+, \mathcal{B}_+] = 0$ .

**The commutator of two Hermitian operators is anti - Hermitian:**

$$[\mathcal{C}_+, \mathcal{D}_+] = -([\mathcal{C}_+, \mathcal{D}_+])^\dagger \quad (12.15)$$

☐ Demonstration of The commutator of two Hermitian operators is anti - Hermitian

$$\text{two Hermitian operators } \mathcal{C}_+ = (\mathcal{C}_+)^\dagger \quad \mathcal{D}_+ = (\mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger$$

$$[\mathcal{C}_+, \mathcal{D}_+] = \mathcal{C}_+ \cdot \mathcal{D}_+ - \mathcal{D}_+ \cdot \mathcal{C}_+ = (\mathcal{C}_+)^\dagger \cdot (\mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger - (\mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger \cdot (\mathcal{C}_+)^\dagger$$

$$(\mathcal{C}_+)^\dagger \cdot (\mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger - (\mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger \cdot (\mathcal{C}_+)^\dagger = (\mathcal{D}_+ \cdot \mathcal{C}_+)^\dagger - (\mathcal{C}_+ \cdot \mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger$$

$$(\mathcal{D}_+ \cdot \mathcal{C}_+)^\dagger - (\mathcal{C}_+ \cdot \mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger = (\mathcal{D}_+ \cdot \mathcal{C}_+ - \mathcal{C}_+ \cdot \mathcal{D}_+)^\dagger = -([\mathcal{C}_+, \mathcal{D}_+])^\dagger$$

☐ Demonstration of The commutator of two Hermitian operators is anti - Hermitian

$$\text{Operator's derivative } \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A}(\xi) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\mathbf{A}(\xi + \varepsilon) - \mathbf{A}(\xi))}{\varepsilon} \quad (12.16)$$

$$\text{Two operator's product derivative } \frac{d}{d\xi} (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}) = \left( \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A} \right) \cdot \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{B} \quad (12.17)$$

$$\text{Operator's square derivative } \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A}^2 = \left( \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A} \right) \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A} \quad (12.18)$$

$$\text{Operator's inverse derivative } \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A}^{-1} = -\mathbf{A}^{-1} \cdot \left( \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A} \right) \cdot \mathbf{A}^{-1} \quad (12.19)$$

$$\text{Integral equation: } \mathbf{B}(t) = \mathbf{B}_0 + i \cdot \left[ \mathbf{A}, \int_0^t \mathbf{B}(\tau) d\tau \right] \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}(t) = e^{i \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot t} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 \cdot e^{-i \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot t} \quad (12.20)$$

$$\mathbf{B}(t) = \mathbf{B}_0 + i \cdot \left[ \mathbf{A} \cdot \int_0^t \mathbf{B}(\tau) d\tau - \left( \int_0^t \mathbf{B}(\tau) d\tau \right) \cdot \mathbf{A} \right]$$

$$\text{Definition: } \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B})^k = [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} ] ] ] ] ] ] \quad k \text{ times} \quad (12.21)$$

$$e^{i \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot t} \cdot \mathbf{B} \cdot e^{-i \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot t} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{i^k}{k!} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B})^k \right) \quad (12.22)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \left( \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A} \right)^k = [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, [ \mathbf{A}, \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A} ] ] ] ] ] ] \quad (12.23)$$

$$e^{i \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot t} \cdot \frac{d}{d\xi} e^{-i \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot t} = i \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{(-i)^k}{(k+1)!} \cdot \mathbf{A} \left( \frac{d}{d\xi} \mathbf{A} \right)^k \right] \quad (12.24)$$

### 13 Decomposition of the product of two Hermitian operators [4]

$$\mathcal{C}_+ \cdot \mathcal{D}_+ = \frac{\mathcal{C}_+ \cdot \mathcal{D}_+ + \mathcal{D}_+ \cdot \mathcal{C}_+}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot ([\mathcal{C}_+, \mathcal{D}_+]) \quad (13.1)$$

Particular Hermitian Operator:  $|u\rangle\langle v|$  It has no inverse. (13.2)

$$|u\rangle\langle v|w\rangle = \text{const} \cdot (|u\rangle) \quad (13.3)$$

$$\langle w|v\rangle\langle u| = \text{const} \cdot (\langle v|) \quad (13.4)$$

### 14 Expectation value of the Operator

$$\langle A \rangle = \frac{\langle \psi | A | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle} = \frac{\int \Psi(\tau)^* \cdot A \cdot \Psi(\tau) d\tau}{\int \Psi(\tau)^* \cdot \Psi(\tau) d\tau} \quad (14.1)$$

for normalized eigenfunction:  $\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = 1$

$$\langle A \rangle = \langle \psi | A | \psi \rangle = \int \Psi(\tau)^* \cdot A \cdot \Psi(\tau) d\tau \quad (14.2)$$

$$\langle F(A) \rangle = \sum_n P_n (\langle n | F(A) | n \rangle) \quad (14.3)$$

$$\Delta A = \sqrt{\langle (A - \langle A \rangle)^2 \rangle} \quad (14.4)$$

$$\langle A - B \rangle = \langle A \rangle - \langle B \rangle \quad (14.5)$$

### 15 Heisenberg uncertainty principle

$$\Delta A \cdot \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot |\langle [A, B] \rangle| \quad (15.1)$$

☐ Demonstration of 15.1)

$$\Delta A = \sqrt{\langle (A - \langle A \rangle)^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle A^2 \rangle - (\langle A \rangle)^2}$$

$$A_1 = A - \langle A \rangle$$

$$\Delta A = \sqrt{\langle A_1^2 \rangle}$$

$$\Delta B = \sqrt{\langle (B - \langle B \rangle)^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle B^2 \rangle - (\langle B \rangle)^2}$$

$$B_1 = B - \langle B \rangle$$

$$\Delta B = \sqrt{\langle B_1^2 \rangle}$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 = (\langle A_1^2 \rangle) \cdot (\langle B_1^2 \rangle) = \langle \psi | A_1^2 | \psi \rangle \cdot \langle \psi | B_1^2 | \psi \rangle$$

Self adjoint Operators (Hermitian)

$$A_1 = A_1^\dagger \quad B_1 = B_1^\dagger$$

$$\langle \psi | A_1^2 | \psi \rangle \cdot \langle \psi | B_1^2 | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | A_1 \cdot A_1 | \psi \rangle \cdot \langle \psi | B_1 \cdot B_1 | \psi \rangle$$

$$|z\rangle = A_1 | \psi \rangle \quad |\zeta\rangle = B_1 | \psi \rangle$$

$$\langle \psi | A_1 \cdot A_1 | \psi \rangle \cdot \langle \psi | B_1 \cdot B_1 | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | A_1 | z \rangle \cdot \langle \psi | B_1 | \zeta \rangle$$

$$\langle \psi | A_1 | z \rangle = \langle z | A_1 | \psi \rangle^* = \langle z | z \rangle^* = (|A_1 | \psi \rangle|^2)$$

$$\langle \psi | B_1 | \zeta \rangle = \langle \zeta | B_1 | \psi \rangle^* = \langle \zeta | \zeta \rangle^* = (|B_1 | \psi \rangle|^2)$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 = \langle \psi | A_1 | z \rangle \cdot \langle \psi | B_1 | \zeta \rangle = (|A_1 | \psi \rangle|^2) \cdot (|B_1 | \psi \rangle|^2)$$

$$\text{Schwarz inequality} \quad (|\langle x | A | y \rangle|)^2 \leq \langle x | A | x \rangle \cdot (\langle y | A | y \rangle) \quad (5.13')$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 = (|A_1 | \psi \rangle|^2) \cdot (|B_1 | \psi \rangle|^2) = \langle \psi | A_1 | z \rangle \cdot \langle \psi | B_1 | \zeta \rangle \geq (|\langle \psi | A_1 \cdot B_1 | \psi \rangle|)^2$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 \geq (|\langle \psi | A_1 \cdot B_1 | \psi \rangle|)^2$$

$$A_1 \cdot B_1 = \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} + \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 - A_1 \cdot B_1}{2} = \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} + \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2}$$

$$(A_1 \cdot B_1)^\dagger = (B_1)^\dagger \cdot (A_1)^\dagger = B_1 \cdot A_1$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 \geq \left[ \langle \psi | \left( \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} + \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2} \right) | \psi \rangle \right]^2$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 \geq \left( \left\langle \psi | \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} | \psi \right\rangle + \left\langle \psi | \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2} | \psi \right\rangle \right)^2$$

$$\left\langle \psi | \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} | \psi \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \psi | \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2} | \psi \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2} \right\rangle$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 \geq \left( \left\langle \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2} \right\rangle \right)^2$$



assuming that the average  $\langle \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} \rangle$  is real and  $\langle \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2} \rangle$  is imaginary, I get:

$$\langle \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} \rangle = \langle \psi | \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1}{2} | \psi \rangle + \dots$$

$$+ \langle \psi | \frac{B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} | \psi \rangle$$

$$A_1 = c \cdot B_1$$

$$\langle \psi | \frac{\alpha^* \cdot B_1 \cdot B_1}{2} | \psi \rangle + \dots = (\alpha^* + \alpha) \cdot \langle \psi | \frac{B_1 \cdot B_1}{2} | \psi \rangle = \text{Re}(\alpha) \cdot \langle \psi | \frac{B_1^2}{2} | \psi \rangle$$

$$+ \langle \psi | \frac{\alpha \cdot B_1 \cdot B_1}{2} | \psi \rangle$$

$$\text{Re}(\alpha) \cdot \langle \psi | \frac{B_1^2}{2} | \psi \rangle = 0 \quad \text{if } \text{Re}(\alpha) = 0$$

$$(\Delta A \cdot \Delta B)^2 \geq \left( \left\langle \frac{A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1}{2} \right\rangle \right)^2 + \left( \left\langle \frac{[A_1, B_1]}{2} \right\rangle \right)^2$$

The minimum for  $\Delta A \cdot \Delta B$  is reached when

$$\langle A_1 \cdot B_1 + B_1 \cdot A_1 \rangle = 0 \quad \text{finally resulting:}$$

$$A_1 = A - \langle A \rangle$$

$$B_1 = B - \langle B \rangle$$

$$[A_1, B_1] = A_1 \cdot B_1 - B_1 \cdot A_1 = (A - \langle A \rangle) \cdot (B - \langle B \rangle) - (B - \langle B \rangle) \cdot (A - \langle A \rangle)$$

$$(A - \langle A \rangle) \cdot (B - \langle B \rangle) \dots = A \cdot B - A \cdot \langle B \rangle - \langle A \rangle \cdot B + \langle A \rangle \cdot \langle B \rangle \dots$$

$$+ (-1) \cdot [(B - \langle B \rangle) \cdot (A - \langle A \rangle)] + (-1) \cdot [B \cdot A - B \cdot \langle A \rangle - \langle B \rangle \cdot A + \langle B \rangle \cdot \langle A \rangle]$$

$$A \cdot B - A \cdot \langle B \rangle - \langle A \rangle \cdot B + \langle A \rangle \cdot \langle B \rangle - B \cdot A + B \cdot \langle A \rangle + \langle B \rangle \cdot A - \langle B \rangle \cdot \langle A \rangle$$

$$[A_1, B_1] = A \cdot B - B \cdot A$$

$$\Delta A \cdot \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left| \langle [A_1, B_1] \rangle \right| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left| \langle [A, B] \rangle \right|$$

$$\boxed{\Delta A \cdot \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left| \langle [A, B] \rangle \right|}$$

□ Demonstration of 15.1)

## 16 Wave Mechanics [3]

Each physical system possesses its dynamical variables, each one at each instant possessing a well defined value. The set of all those values defines the dynamical state of the system at that instant.

Consider an elementary particle of mass  $m_p$  and kinetic energy  $T_p = \frac{p^2}{2 \cdot m_p}$ . Then I can write  $p = \sqrt{2 \cdot m_p \cdot T_p}$  and since

$p = \hbar \cdot k_p$ , where  $k_p = \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{\lambda_p}$ , results the wavelength of the particle  $\lambda_p = \frac{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \hbar}{\sqrt{2 \cdot m_p \cdot T_p}} = \frac{h}{\sqrt{2 \cdot m_p \cdot T_p}}$  which is the known

de Broglie wavelength of the particle. For example if  $m_p := m_e$  and  $T_{p1} := 1 \cdot \text{eV}$ , the de Broglie wavelength is

$$\lambda_e := \frac{h}{\sqrt{2 \cdot m_p \cdot T_{p1}}} = 12.265 \cdot \text{\AA} \quad \text{so that if } T_p = z_p \cdot T_{p1} \quad \text{with } z_p := 5 \cdot 10^4 \quad \text{then } \lambda_p := \frac{12.265 \cdot \text{\AA}}{\sqrt{z_p}} \quad \text{that is } \lambda_p = 0.055 \cdot \text{\AA}$$

Consider a monochromatic plane wave associated with a particle which propagates in an isotropic and homogeneous medium:

$$E(\mathbf{r}, t) = E_0 \cdot e^{i \cdot (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega \cdot t)}, \quad (16.1)$$

where the wavelength is  $\lambda = \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{|\mathbf{k}|}$  and  $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega \cdot t = \text{constant}$  The time derivative of the latter gives:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega \cdot t) = \mathbf{k} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{r} - \omega = 0, \quad \text{that is the phase velocity } \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{r} \right| = \frac{\omega}{|\mathbf{k}|} = v_\varphi \quad (16.2)$$

Each wave can be considered as a superposition of monochromatic plane waves. The dispersion law  $\omega(k)$ , let me know the time behavior of every wave. To each frequency corresponds an energy  $E_i = \hbar \cdot \omega_i$ .

The classical approximation let me found a relation between  $\mathbf{k}$  and the moment  $\mathbf{p}$  of the particle.

Indeed to the particle is associated the wave packet:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{pw}(k_1) \cdot e^{i \cdot (\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega_1 \cdot t)} dk_1, \quad (16.3)$$

where  $f_{pw}(k_1) = A(k_1) \cdot e^{-i \cdot \alpha(k_1)}$  is the plane wave spectrum and  $A(k_1)$  takes appreciable values only around  $k_1$ .

In one dimension I get:

$$\Psi(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{pw}(k_1) \cdot e^{i \cdot (k_1 \cdot x - \omega_1 \cdot t)} dk_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A(k_1) \cdot e^{i \cdot \varphi(k_1)} dk_1, \quad (16.4)$$

where  $\varphi(k_1) = k_1 \cdot x - \omega_1 \cdot t + \alpha(k_1)$ . The function  $A(k_1)$  has a pick in a region  $\Delta k$  around  $k_1$ . The wave is concentrated

in a region  $\Delta x \approx \left( \frac{1}{\Delta k_1} \right)$ , where  $\frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \varphi(k_1) = x - t \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \omega(k_1) + \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \alpha(k_1) = 0$ , namely  $(16.5)$

$$x = t \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \omega(k_1) - \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \alpha(k_1), \quad (16.6)$$

with a velocity:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} x = v_g = \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \omega(k_1). \quad (16.7)$$

For the classical approximation where the extension of the wave packet is traceable, the particle velocity is

$$v = \frac{\partial}{\partial p} E = v_g = \frac{\partial}{\partial k_1} \omega(k_1), \quad (16.8)$$

that is 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} E = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{k}_1} \omega(\mathbf{k}_1). \quad (16.9)$$

Multiplying and dividing the right side by  $\hbar$ , I get: 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} E = \frac{1}{\hbar} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{k}_1} (\omega(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot \hbar), \quad (16.10)$$

from which I have:  $E = \hbar \cdot \omega$  and  $\mathbf{p} = \hbar \cdot \mathbf{k}_1$ . 
$$(16.11)$$

**Postulates**

Then the wave function of the quantum system define completely its dynamical state. It is the equation of the wave propagation:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p}, \quad (16.12)$$

which is rewritten as: 
$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = A \cdot \psi \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E \cdot t}{\hbar}}. \quad (16.13)$$

This is a solution of the differential equation:

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = E \cdot \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t), \quad (16.14)$$

in fact: 
$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = E \cdot A \cdot \psi \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E \cdot t}{\hbar}} \quad (16.15)$$

$$E \cdot A \cdot \psi \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E \cdot t}{\hbar}} = E \cdot \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = E \cdot A \cdot \psi \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E \cdot t}{\hbar}}. \quad (16.16)$$

The classical kinetic energy is:  $E = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m}$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = E \cdot \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E \cdot \psi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p}, \quad (16.17)$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{p}^2 \cdot \psi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p}, \quad (16.18)$$

$$\nabla \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \nabla \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{p} \cdot \psi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.19)$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{p} \cdot \psi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.20)$$

$$-\hbar^2 \cdot \Delta \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{p}^2 \cdot \psi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} = 2 \cdot m \cdot i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) \quad (16.21)$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) \quad (16.22)$$

☑ Schrödinger equation ([4] Vol. 1)

The theory of matter waves leads unambiguously to the wave equation of a free particle (non relativistic approximation)

The wave  $\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$  is a superposition of monochromatic waves  $e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)}$ :

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.23)$$

where  $\mathbf{p} = p_x \cdot \mathbf{i}_x + p_y \cdot \mathbf{i}_y + p_z \cdot \mathbf{i}_z$   $\mathbf{r} = x \cdot \mathbf{i}_x + y \cdot \mathbf{i}_y + z \cdot \mathbf{i}_z$  
$$(16.24)$$

with angular frequency  $\omega = \frac{E}{\hbar}$  connected to the wave vector  $\mathbf{k} = \frac{\mathbf{p}}{\hbar}$  by the relation connecting momentum and energy

$E = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m}$ . Taking the partial derivative equation of 1) one obtains:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot E \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.25)$$

that is 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot E \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p}$$

or also 
$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot E \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.26)$$

Now calculate the gradient of 16.23):

$$\nabla \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \nabla \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} = \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot \nabla e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.27)$$

that is 
$$\nabla e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \cdot \mathbf{p} \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} \quad (16.28)$$

$$\nabla \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \cdot \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{p} \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.29)$$

Than the divergence of it:

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \Delta \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \cdot \nabla \cdot \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{p} \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \cdot \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{p} \cdot \nabla \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p}$$

$$\Delta \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{1}{\hbar^2} \cdot \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{p}^2 \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.30)$$

since  $\mathbf{p}^2 = 2 \cdot m \cdot E$ , after a substitution one gets:

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot E \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.31)$$

The right side of 16.31) is the same of eq 16.26) below rewritten

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int \Phi(\mathbf{p}) \cdot E \cdot e^{i \cdot \left( \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} - E \cdot t}{\hbar} \right)} d\mathbf{p} \quad (16.26')$$

equating 16.26') and eq 16.31) I get: 
$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

this is the well known three dimensional Schrödinger equation for a free particle of mass m.

Laplace transform of the Schrödinger equation :

$$|\Psi(x, s)\rangle = \mathcal{L}\{|\psi(x, t)\rangle\}$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot [s \cdot \langle |\Psi(x, s)\rangle - \langle |\psi(0)\rangle] = \mathbf{H} |\Psi(x, s)\rangle \quad (16.32)$$

☐ Schrödinger equation (I4 Vol. I)

☐ Solution of the one-dimensional Schrödinger equation for a free particle[1]

To solve the one-dimensional Schrödinger equation for a free particle of mass m moving with velocity v, I can proceed as follows:

Configuration space representation: 
$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m_e} \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \Psi = i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi \quad (16.33)$$

It allows factorization (separable variables): 
$$\Psi = g(t) \cdot \varphi(x) \quad (16.34)$$

Replacing (16.13) in (16.12) I have: 
$$g(t) \cdot \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m_e} \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \varphi(x) = i \cdot \hbar \cdot \left( \frac{d}{dt} g(t) \right) \cdot \varphi(x) \quad (16.35)$$

let's me put: 
$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{d}{dt} g(t) = \hbar \cdot \omega g(t)$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m_e} \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \varphi(x) = \hbar \cdot \omega \varphi(x)$$

The equation breaks down in two differential equations:

a) 
$$\frac{d}{dt} g(t) = -i \cdot \omega g(t) \quad (16.36)$$

with solution:

$$g(t) = e^{-i \cdot \omega \cdot t} \quad (16.37)$$

and the equation:

b) 
$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \varphi(x) + \frac{2 \cdot m_e \cdot \omega}{\hbar} \varphi(x) = 0 \quad (16.38)$$

If  $\omega$  is real, the solution is periodic in time, and  $(\varphi(x))^2$  is independent of time (stationary case); with  $\omega$  positive,

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \varphi(x) + k^2 \cdot (\varphi(x)) = 0 \quad (16.38')$$

$$k^2 = \frac{2 \cdot m_e \cdot \omega}{\hbar}$$

Even the constant  $k^2$  is positive and the solutions of (16.38') are periodic even in space.

It is an essential feature of quantum mechanics that temporal dependence is of complex form (16.37).

Real sinus and cosine functions are not solutions of the differential equation (16.36). This behavior, so different from classical physics, is a consequence of Schrödinger's equation that is of first order over time.

The physical meaning of the parameter  $\omega$  can be further interpreted considering the operator at the first member of (16.33) as the Hamiltonian constituted, in our case, only by the kinetic energy operator.

It follows that the kinetic energy of the particle must be real and positive. Our solution is therefore a Hamiltonian auto state. Since  $k^2$  is a positive constant, the complete solution of (16.37) or

$$\varphi'' + k^2 \varphi = 0 \quad (16.39)$$

is:

$$\varphi(x) = A \cdot \exp(i \cdot k \cdot x) + B \cdot \exp(-i \cdot k \cdot x)$$

so that the one-dimensional wave function is the product (16.34), that is:

$$\psi(x) = A \cdot e^{i \cdot (k \cdot x - \omega \cdot t)} + B \cdot e^{-i \cdot (k \cdot x + \omega \cdot t)} \quad (16.40)$$

consists of two waves propagating in opposite directions, both with phase velocities:

$$v_{ph} = \frac{\omega}{k}$$

The physical meaning of the spatial part of the wave function (16.40) becomes clear in obtaining the probability density

The two waves, of amplitudes A and B, apparently correspond to two opposite currents whose intensities are given by their normalization constants and is proportional to k. Density shows the interference of the two waves (consistent) causing spatial periodicity.

As long as there is no particular reason to achieve consistency (such as contour conditions), it will be reasonable to consider the two waves, put B = 0 and get  $s > 0$ , or A = 0, which provides  $s < 0$ . The result thus corresponds to the linear motion of a particle in either direction. Assuming both signs of k, I can summarize the final results as follows:

$$\rho = \psi(x) \cdot \psi(x)^* \quad (16.41)$$

and the flux

$$S = \frac{\hbar}{2 \cdot i \cdot m_e} \cdot \left( \psi(x) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi(x)^* - \psi(x)^* \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi(x) \right) \quad (16.42)$$

finding that:

$$\rho = (|A|)^2 + (|B|)^2 + (A \cdot B \cdot e^{2 \cdot i \cdot k \cdot x} + A \cdot B \cdot e^{-2 \cdot i \cdot k \cdot x})$$

$$E = \hbar \cdot \omega \quad k^2 = \frac{2 \cdot m_e \cdot \omega}{\hbar} \quad E = \frac{\hbar^2 \cdot k^2}{2 \cdot m_e} \quad (16.43)$$

$$S = \frac{\hbar \cdot k}{m_e} \cdot [(|A|)^2 - (|B|)^2] \quad (16.44)$$

$$\rho = (|C0(k)|)^2 \quad s_0 = \frac{\hbar \cdot k}{m_e} \cdot (|C0(k)|)^2$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = C0(k) \cdot e^{i \cdot (k \cdot x - \omega \cdot t)} \quad (16.45)$$

$$p(k) = \hbar \cdot k \quad v(k) = \frac{\hbar \cdot k}{m_e}$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = C0(k) \cdot e^{i \cdot k \cdot t \cdot (v - v_{ph})}$$

The latter is different from the phase velocity of the wave:

$$v_{ph}(\omega, k) := \frac{\omega(k)}{k}$$

$$\frac{\omega(k)}{k} = \frac{E(k)}{p(k)}$$

$$\frac{E(k)}{p(k)} = \frac{v_{ph}(k)}{2}$$

and it is identical to the group velocity:

$$v_{gr}(k, \omega) = \frac{\partial}{\partial k} \omega$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k} \omega(k) = \frac{\partial}{\partial p} E(k)$$

$$v = \frac{\partial}{\partial p} E(k)$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = C0(k) \cdot \exp[i \cdot (k \cdot x - \omega \cdot t)] = C0(k) \cdot e^{i \cdot [k \cdot t \cdot (v - v_{ph})]} \quad (16.46)$$

I have seen that:

$$\omega(k) := \frac{\hbar}{2 \cdot m_e} \cdot k^2 \quad (16.47)$$

k is an independent variable, so that the complete solution of the equation is obtained by integrating on k:

$$k_0 = \frac{m_e \cdot v}{\hbar} \quad \Psi(x, 0) = A \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-x^2}{2 \cdot a^2} + i \cdot k_0 \cdot x\right] \quad (16.48)$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(k, x, t) dk \quad (16.49)$$

$$\text{So the density: } \rho(x, 0) = (|\Psi(x, 0)|)^2 \quad (|\Psi(x, 0)|)^2 = (|A|)^2 \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-x^2}{a^2}\right]$$

locate the particle within  $|x| \leq a$ , the flux (16.42) is:

$$s_0(x, 0) = \frac{\hbar}{2 \cdot m_e \cdot i} \cdot 2 \cdot i \cdot k_0 \cdot (|A|)^2 \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-x^2}{a^2}\right]$$

$$s_0(x, 0) = \rho \cdot \frac{\hbar}{m_e} \cdot k_0$$

so that the velocity of the particle and the moment are:

$$v_0 = \frac{\hbar}{m_e} \cdot k_0$$

$$p_0 = \hbar \cdot k_0$$

Thanks to the normalization condition:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(x) dx = 1$$

$$\text{I get: } (|A|)^2 = \frac{1}{a \cdot \sqrt{\pi}} \quad |A| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a \cdot \sqrt{\pi}}} \quad (16.50)$$

The expression (16.48) can be decomposed into plane waves using (16.49) and (16.43)

$$\Psi(x, 0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} C0(k) \cdot e^{i \cdot k \cdot x} dx \quad (16.51)$$

This is a Fourier integral whose inversion is:

$$C0(k) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x, 0) \cdot e^{-i \cdot k \cdot x} dx$$

$$C0(k) = \frac{A}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left[\frac{-x^2}{2 \cdot a^2} + i \cdot (k_0 - k) \cdot x\right] dx$$

$$\text{since } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-z^2} dz = \sqrt{\pi} \quad \text{results: } C0(k) = \frac{A \cdot a}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-1}{2} \cdot a^2 \cdot (k - k_0)^2\right] \quad (16.52)$$

Which can be easily understood in terms of Heisenberg's uncertainty relationship: in the initial state, the uncertainty of particle coordinate, in accordance with (16.48), of the order of  $\Delta x = a$ ; as shown in (16.1), contributes to this wave function a spectrum of wave numbers k or of momentum  $p = \hbar k$  around  $k = k_0$  of a width  $\Delta k = 1/a_0$  or  $\Delta p = \hbar/a$ . So, regardless of the choice of a, it is the relation  $\Delta x \Delta p = \hbar$  which is the uncertainty principle of Heisenberg.

After determining C(k) from the initial state at time t = 0, I am now ready to evaluate the integral (16.49) at any instants that is:

$$(|A|)^2 = \frac{1}{a \cdot \sqrt{\pi}} \quad |A| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a \cdot \sqrt{\pi}}}$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{A \cdot a}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left[\frac{-1}{2} \cdot a^2 \cdot (k - k_0)^2 + i \cdot k \cdot x - \frac{i \cdot \hbar \cdot t}{2 \cdot m_e} \cdot k^2\right] dk \quad (16.53)$$

The exponent is a quadratic form in k so that, again, I can use the integral error. It is:

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{A \cdot a}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\left(-\frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{t \cdot \hbar \cdot i}{2 \cdot m_e}\right) \cdot k^2 + (k_0 \cdot a^2 + x \cdot i) \cdot k - \frac{a^2 \cdot k_0^2}{2}} dk$$

(MATHCAD symbolic initialization) t := t a := a k := k k<sub>0</sub> := k<sub>0</sub> m<sub>e</sub> := m<sub>e</sub> x := x ħ := ħ

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{A \cdot a \cdot e^{-\frac{a^2 \cdot k_0^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\left(-\frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{t \cdot \hbar \cdot i}{2 \cdot m_e}\right) \cdot k^2 + (k_0 \cdot a^2 + x \cdot i) \cdot k} dk$$

$$A_0 = \left(\frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{t \cdot \hbar \cdot i}{2 \cdot m_e}\right) \quad B_0 = (k_0 \cdot a^2 + x \cdot i) \quad C_0 = \frac{A \cdot a \cdot e^{-\frac{a^2 \cdot k_0^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}}$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = C_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{A_0 \cdot k^2 + B_0 \cdot k} dk \quad 16.54$$

$$C_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{A_0 \cdot k^2 + B_0 \cdot k} dk = \frac{\sqrt{-\pi} \cdot C_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{B_0^2}{4 \cdot A_0}} \left[ \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{(B_0 + 2 \cdot A_0 \cdot k) \cdot i}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) \right] \dots \right.}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \left. + (-1) \cdot \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{A_0}} \cdot B_0}{2} \cdot i + \sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i \right) \right]$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{\sqrt{-\pi} \cdot C_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{B_0^2}{4 \cdot A_0}} \left[ \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \left[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{(B_0 + 2 \cdot A_0 \cdot k) \cdot i}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) \right] - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{A_0}} \cdot B_0}{2} \cdot i + \sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i \right) \right]}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \operatorname{erf} \left[ \frac{(B_0 + 2 \cdot A_0 \cdot k) \cdot i}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right] = \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{B_0 \cdot i}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) + \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i)$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i) = \frac{e^{A_0 \cdot k^2}}{\sqrt{A_0}} \cdot \left( \frac{i}{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot k} + \frac{i}{2 \cdot A_0 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \cdot k^3} + \frac{3i}{4A_0^2 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \cdot k^5} \right) + i \cdot \frac{\sqrt{-A_0}}{\sqrt{A_0}}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{A_0}} \cdot B_0}{2} \cdot i + \sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i \right) = \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i \cdot B_0}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i)$$

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$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{\sqrt{-\pi} \cdot C_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{B_0^2}{4 \cdot A_0}} \left[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{B_0 \cdot i}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) \dots \right.}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \left. + \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} \operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i) - \left( \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i \cdot B_0}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \operatorname{erf}(\sqrt{A_0} \cdot k \cdot i) \right) \right]$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{\sqrt{-\pi} \cdot C_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{B_0^2}{4 \cdot A_0}} \left[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{B_0 \cdot i}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) + \frac{e^{A_0 \cdot k^2}}{\sqrt{A_0}} \cdot \left( \frac{i}{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot k} + \frac{i}{2 \cdot A_0 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \cdot k^3} + \frac{3i}{4A_0^2 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \cdot k^5} \right) - 1 \dots \right.}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \left. + (-1) \cdot \left[ \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{i \cdot B_0}{2 \cdot \sqrt{A_0}} \right) + \frac{e^{A_0 \cdot k^2}}{\sqrt{A_0}} \cdot \left( \frac{i}{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot k} + \frac{i}{2 \cdot A_0 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \cdot k^3} + \frac{3i}{4A_0^2 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} \cdot k^5} \right) + 1 \right] \right]$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot C_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{B_0^2}{4 \cdot A_0}}}{\sqrt{-A_0}} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot A \cdot a \cdot e^{-\frac{a^2 \cdot k_0^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \cdot e^{-\frac{(k_0 \cdot a^2 + x \cdot i)^2}{4 \cdot \left(-\frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{t \cdot \hbar \cdot i}{2 \cdot m_e}\right)}}$$

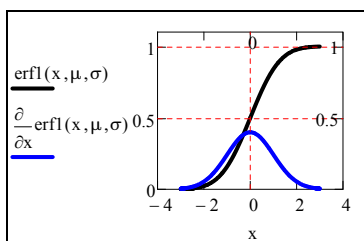
$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot A \cdot a \cdot e^{-\frac{a^2 \cdot k_0^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \cdot e^{-\frac{(k_0 \cdot a^2 + x \cdot i)^2}{4 \cdot \left(-\frac{a^2}{2} - \frac{t \cdot \hbar \cdot i}{2 \cdot m_e}\right)}} = \frac{A \cdot e^{-\frac{a^2 \cdot k_0^2}{2}}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{t \cdot \hbar \cdot i}{m_e \cdot a^2}}}$$

$$\frac{A \cdot e^{-\frac{a^2 \cdot k_0^2}{2}} \cdot e^{-\frac{(k_0 \cdot a^2 + x \cdot i)^2}{4 \cdot \left(\frac{a^2}{2} \cdot \frac{\hbar \cdot i}{2 \cdot m_e}\right)}}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{\hbar \cdot i}{m_e \cdot a^2}}} = \frac{A \cdot e^{-\frac{(2 \cdot m_e \cdot a^2 \cdot k_0 \cdot x - t \cdot \hbar \cdot a^2 \cdot k_0^2 + m_e \cdot x^2 \cdot i) \cdot i}{2 \cdot (m_e \cdot a^2 + t \cdot \hbar \cdot i)}}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{\hbar \cdot i}{m_e \cdot a^2}}} = \frac{A \cdot e^{-\frac{\left(k_0 \cdot x - \frac{t \cdot \hbar \cdot k_0^2}{2 \cdot m_e} + \frac{x^2}{2 \cdot a^2}\right) \cdot i}{\left(1 + \frac{\hbar \cdot i}{m_e \cdot a^2}\right)}}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{\hbar \cdot i}{m_e \cdot a^2}}}$$

$$\text{erfl}(x, \mu, \sigma) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-\frac{\xi^2}{2}} d\xi$$

$$\mu := 0.3 \quad \sigma := 0.3$$

$$x := -10 \cdot \sigma, -10 \cdot \sigma + \frac{20 \cdot \sigma}{1000} .. 10 \cdot \sigma$$



$$\Psi(x, t) = \frac{A}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{i \cdot \hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}}} \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-\left(x^2 - 2 \cdot i \cdot a^2 \cdot k_0 \cdot x + \frac{i \cdot \hbar \cdot t}{2 \cdot m_e} \cdot k_0^2 \cdot a^2\right)}{2 \cdot a^2 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{i \cdot \hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}\right)}\right] \quad (16.55)$$

Let's say, for example:  $v := 10^3 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$   $a := 10^{-6} \text{m}$  and that  $|A| = A$ :

$$\Delta x := \frac{1}{\sqrt{a \cdot \sqrt{\pi}}} \quad k_0 := \frac{m_e \cdot v}{\hbar} \quad v_0 := \frac{\hbar}{m_e} \cdot k_0 \quad p_0 := \hbar \cdot k_0$$

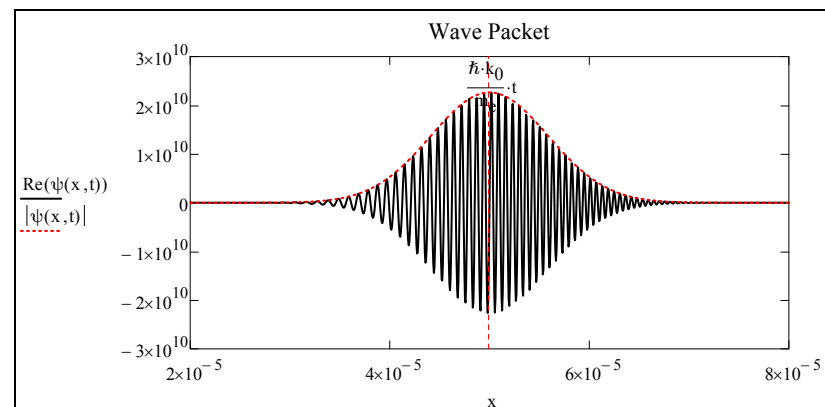
$$A = 751.126 \frac{1}{\text{m}^{0.5}} \quad k_0 = 8.637 \times 10^6 \frac{1}{\text{m}}$$

$$\psi(x, t) := \frac{A}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{i \cdot \hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}}} \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-\left(x^2 - 2 \cdot i \cdot a^2 \cdot k_0 \cdot x + \frac{i \cdot \hbar \cdot t}{2 \cdot m_e} \cdot k_0^2 \cdot a^2\right)}{2 \cdot a^2 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{i \cdot \hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}\right)}\right]$$

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$$a = 1 \cdot \mu\text{m} \quad v = 1 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \quad t := 50 \text{ns}$$

$$\Delta x := 10^{-5} \cdot 2 \cdot \text{m}, 10^{-5} \cdot 2 \cdot \text{m} + \frac{10^{-5} \cdot 8 \cdot \text{m} - 10^{-5} \cdot 2 \cdot \text{m}}{1000} .. 10^{-5} \cdot 8 \cdot \text{m}$$



$$\psi(10^{-5} \cdot 5 \cdot \text{m}, t) = (-4.568 \times 10^5 - 2.265j \times 10^{10}) \frac{1}{\text{m}^{0.5}}$$

$$\xi = \frac{k}{k_0}$$

$$C_0(\xi) := \frac{A \cdot a}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi}} \cdot \exp\left[\frac{-1}{2} \cdot a^2 \cdot k_0^2 \cdot (\xi - 1)^2\right]$$

$$v_{\text{ph}}(\omega, k) := \frac{\omega(k)}{k}$$

$$p_0 = 0 \frac{\text{m} \cdot \text{kg}}{\text{s}}$$

$$k_0 = 8.637 \times 10^6 \frac{1}{\text{m}}$$

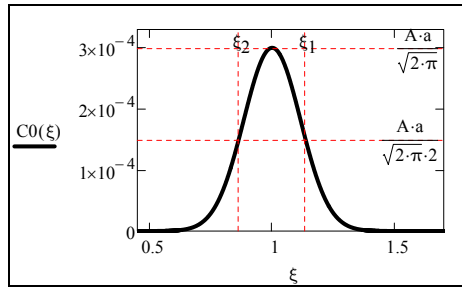
$$v_{\text{ph}}\left(\omega, k_0 \cdot \frac{3}{2}\right) = 750 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

Abscissa of the widths at half height:

$$\xi_1 := \frac{\sqrt{\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{-1}{2} \cdot a^2 \cdot k_0^2\right)}} + 1 \quad \xi_2 := -\frac{\sqrt{\ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{-1}{2} \cdot a^2 \cdot k_0^2\right)}} + 1 \quad \xi_1 - \xi_2 = 0.273$$

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$$\xi := 0.4, 4 + .001 \dots 2.2$$

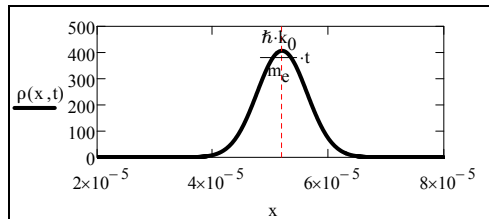


A good understanding of (16.55) which is somewhat complicated expression, can be obtained by debating the density a flow again. The first one becomes:

$$\rho(x, t) := \frac{(|A|)^2}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{\hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}\right)^2\right]^2} \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{\left(x - \frac{\hbar \cdot k_0}{m_e} \cdot t\right)^2}{a^2 \cdot \left[1 + \left(\frac{\hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}\right)^2\right]}\right] \quad (16.56)$$

which is a function of x, it is a bell curve, whose maximum is shifted from x=0 to x=(ħk₀/m)t.

$$t := 10^{-9} \cdot 52 \cdot s$$



The maximum of the "wave group" represented by (16.55) is thus propagated at a velocity  $v_0 = \hbar k / m$  ('group velocity = particle velocity'). the denominator of the exponent in (16.56) shows that, at the same time, the wave packet has expanded from its initial width - a - at the instant t = 0, to

$$x_0 := \frac{\hbar \cdot k_0}{m_e} \quad a_1 := a \cdot \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}\right)^2} \quad a_1 = 6.103 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m} \\ v_0 = 1 \times 10^3 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \quad a = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$$

Which is about equal to  $\hbar t / (ma)$  at the instant t = t. This effect can be easily explained by the spectral function C(k): t waveform spectrum has the width  $\Delta k = 1/a$ , the partial wave velocities cover a region of width

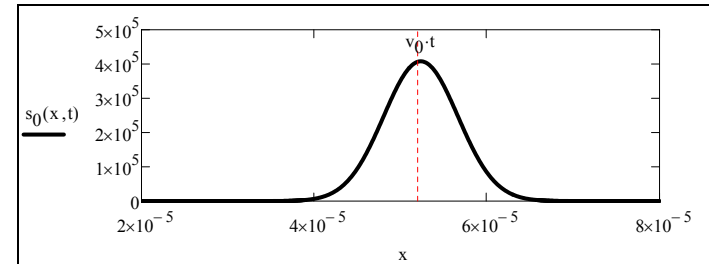
$$\Delta v = (\hbar / k) \Delta k = \hbar / (ma)$$

so that the packet widens to  $\Delta x = t \Delta v = \hbar t / (ma)$ . The flow is derived from (16.55) with the help of the relationship:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi(x, t) = i \cdot k_0 \cdot \frac{\left(1 + i \cdot \frac{x}{a^2 \cdot k_0}\right)}{1 + i \cdot \frac{\hbar \cdot t}{m \cdot a^2}} \cdot \psi(x, t)$$

Which compared with (16.55) provides:

$$s_0(x, t) := \rho(x, t) \cdot v_0 \cdot \frac{1 + \frac{\hbar \cdot t \cdot x}{m_e \cdot a^4 \cdot k_0}}{1 + \left(\frac{\hbar \cdot t}{m_e \cdot a^2}\right)^2} \quad (16.57)$$



It follows that in no way I always have  $s = rv_0$  at every instant, as I have for  $t = 0$ .

This is again a consequence of the finite width of the spectrum: at the maximum point of the packet,  $x_0 = v_0 t$ , the equation (16.57) leads to the elementary relation  $s = \rho v_0$  for  $x < x_0$  or  $x > x_0$  I find  $s < \rho v_0$ ,  $s > \rho v_0$  this is reasonable as at a point x ( $x > x_0$ ) must reach those parts of the wave packet whose speeds are lower (higher) than  $v_0$ . Finally, I can mention that the normalization condition always applies at any instant, this reflects the conservation of matter.

- Solution of the one-dimensional Schrödinger equation for a free particle[1]
- Standing wave
- Infinitely high potential barrier
- Classical Hamiltonian for N non relativistic particles of rest mass  $m_i$ , under mutual interaction only
- Classical Hamiltonian for two non relativistic particles of rest mass  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , under mutual interaction only
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- Potential hole between two walls
- Scattering on a Dirac Delta Barrier
- Finite Potential Barrier. Resonances
- Potential Step. Reflection and Transmission of Wave
- Scattering on a Symmetrical Potential Barrier. Tunnel Effect
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## 17 Quantization procedures

when the quantum system possesses a classical analogue

Quantization rules (substitute to each classical operator of the Hamiltonian the corresponding Quantum Operator)

Classical Operator	Quantum Operator acting on kets or eigenfunctions	
$\mathbf{p}$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \nabla$	(17.1)

$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \mathbf{r} \times \nabla$ ,	(17.2)
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$\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{p}$	$\leftrightarrow \nabla \times$	A. M. 551
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$\mathbf{p}^2$	$\leftrightarrow -\hbar^2 \cdot \Delta$ ,	(17.3)
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$\frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m}$	$\leftrightarrow \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta$	(17.4)
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Energy E	$\leftrightarrow i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ ,	(17.5)
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$E^2$	$\leftrightarrow -\hbar \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}$
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$$\ell^2 = (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}) \cdot (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}) = r^2 \cdot (\mathbf{p}^2 - p_r^2) \leftrightarrow r^2 \cdot \left[ -\hbar^2 \cdot \Delta + \hbar^2 \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \right) \right] \text{ Sph. coord. (17.6)}$$

$\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot r \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial r} = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot r \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \right)$ Sph. coord.	(17.7)
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A is the vector potential	$\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A} \leftrightarrow \frac{i \cdot \hbar}{2} \cdot (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla)$ .	(17.8)
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**Example 17.1) Heisenberg Uncertainty principle**

$$\Delta A \cdot \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot | \langle [A, B] \rangle |$$

For a particle of mass m

$x = q$	$q \leftrightarrow q = A$	$p = m \cdot v$	$p \leftrightarrow \left( \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla = B \right)$	$i = i$
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$$[A, B] \Psi = \left[ x, \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla \right] \Psi = x \cdot \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla \Psi - \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla x \cdot \Psi = x \cdot \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla \Psi - \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \Psi \cdot \nabla x - \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot x \cdot \nabla \Psi = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \Psi \cdot \nabla x = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \Psi$$

$$[x, p] = i \cdot \hbar$$

$$\Delta A \cdot \Delta B = \Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot |i \cdot \hbar| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \hbar$$

$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta p \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \hbar$$

$x = q$	$q \leftrightarrow q = A$	$p = \hbar \cdot k = \hbar \cdot \frac{2 \cdot \pi}{\lambda} \cdot k = \hbar \cdot \frac{\omega}{c} \cdot k = \frac{E}{c} \cdot k$	$p \leftrightarrow \left( \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla = B \right)$
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$$\frac{\Delta x}{c} = \Delta t \quad \Delta x \cdot \frac{1}{c} \cdot \Delta E = \Delta t \cdot \Delta E \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \hbar$$

thence it follows that, for a quantum system, the energy can be uncertain to within  $\Delta E$  for a time  $\Delta t$

**Example 17.2)** The Hamiltonian  $\mathbf{H}$  and the operator  $\mathbf{A}$ , are time independent.

$$\mathbf{A} = x \quad \mathbf{p} \leftrightarrow \left( \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \nabla \right) \quad \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{T} + \mathbf{U} = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2$$

$$\left[ \left[ x, -\frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2 \right] \right] \psi = -x \cdot \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2 \psi + \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2 \psi \cdot x = 0$$

$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2 \right) \geq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left| \langle \left[ x, -\frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2 \right] \rangle \right| = 0$$

**Example 17.3) Relativistic case:**

$$E = \pm c \cdot \sqrt{p^2 + m^2 \cdot c^2}$$

$$E^2 = c^2 \cdot p^2 + m^2 \cdot c^4$$

$$-\hbar^2 \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \Psi = -c^2 \cdot \hbar^2 \cdot \Delta \Psi + m^2 \cdot c^4 \cdot \Psi$$

$$\Delta \Psi - \frac{1}{c^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \Psi - \frac{m^2 \cdot c^2}{\hbar^2} \cdot \Psi = 0$$

or using the *Dalambertian Operator*:  $\square = \left( \frac{1}{c} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2$ ,

*Klein-Gordon equation*:  $\left[ \square + \left( \frac{m \cdot c}{\hbar} \right)^2 \right] \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = 0$



## 18 Lagrange equations

Lagrangian coordinates for a system with n degree of freedom :  $q_i, i=1,..n$

Kinetic energy : T

Potential energy : U

Classical mechanics Lagrangian :

$$\mathcal{L}(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n, q'_1, q'_2, \dots, q'_n, t) = T(q'_1, q'_2, \dots, q'_n, t) - U(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n) \quad (18.1)$$

$$\text{Lagrange equations' system } \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q'_i} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_i} = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \dots n \quad (18.2)$$

$$\text{Conjugated momenta } p_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q'_i} \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \dots n \quad \text{Kinetic energy: } T = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^2 = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q'_i} \right)^2$$

$$T_i = \frac{p_i^2}{2 \cdot m} = \frac{p_i \cdot p_i}{2 \cdot m} = \frac{p_i \cdot m \cdot q'_i}{2 \cdot m} = \frac{p_i \cdot q'_i}{2} \Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (p_i \cdot q'_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (p_i \cdot q'_i) - U \quad (18.3)$$

Example: classical Lagrange equations for a two degree of freedom System

## 19 Hamilton equations

Kinetic energy : T, Potential energy : U

Classical mechanics Hamiltonian :

$$\mathcal{H}(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n, p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n, t) = T + U = 2 \cdot T - \mathcal{L}(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n, q'_1, q'_2, \dots, q'_n, t) = E$$

$$\mathcal{H} = 2 \cdot T - \mathcal{L} = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (p_i \cdot q'_i) - \mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1}^n (p_i \cdot q'_i) - \mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( q'_i \cdot \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q'_i} \right) - \mathcal{L} = E$$

$$E = \mathcal{H} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( q'_i \cdot \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q'_i} \right) - \mathcal{L} \quad (19.1)$$

$$q'_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p_i} \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \dots n \quad (19.2)$$

$$p'_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q_i} \quad (19.3)$$

## 20 Schrödinger equation of motion

System's time evolution. Given a physical system whose Hamiltonian (observable) is known, and are given the initial conditions, the equations are the following:

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle \quad (20.1)$$

$$-i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \psi | = \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}^\dagger \quad (20.2)$$

They are deterministic.

A system is conservative if the Hamiltonian isn't time dependent otherwise isn't conservative. Each isolated system is conservative.

Assuming  $\mathcal{H}(t) = \mathbf{H}$  time independent and with a discrete spectrum only, I can create the following base system belonging to the Hilbert space

$$\mathbf{H} | k \rangle = E_k | k \rangle, \quad (20.3)$$

$$\text{from the closure relation I know that } \mathbf{P}_n = \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | + \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} | \xi \rangle \langle \xi | d\xi = 1, \quad (20.4)$$

since there exist only the discrete spectrum for hypothesis, the integral vanishes, so that:

$$\mathbf{P}_n = \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | = 1 \quad (20.5)$$

$$\text{and the equation 20.1) become: } i \cdot \hbar \cdot \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle, \quad (20.6)$$

since  $| k \rangle$  is time independent, I can write:

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle k | \psi \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle \quad (20.7)$$

furthermore, since  $\mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle = E_k | \psi \rangle$  substituting in (20.7), I get:

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle k | \psi \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | E_k | \psi \rangle \quad (20.8)$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle k | \psi \rangle - \sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \langle k | E_k | \psi \rangle = 0 \quad (20.9)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \left( i \cdot \hbar \cdot | k \rangle \langle k | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle k | \psi \rangle - | k \rangle \langle k | E_k \langle k | \psi \rangle \right) = 0 \quad (20.10)$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^N | k \rangle \left( i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle k | \psi \rangle - E_k \langle k | \psi \rangle \right) = 0 \quad (20.11)$$

All the components must vanish otherwise the basis isn't complete:

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle k | \psi \rangle - E_k \langle k | \psi \rangle = 0 \quad (20.12)$$

the solution is:  $\langle k | \psi \rangle = C \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E_k}{\hbar} \cdot t}$  (20.13)

and the initial condition let me know the constant C:

for  $t = t_0$ , I get:  $C = (\langle k | \psi_0 \rangle) \cdot e^{i \cdot \frac{E_k}{\hbar} \cdot t_0} \Rightarrow \langle k | \psi \rangle = \langle k | \psi_0 \rangle \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E_k}{\hbar} \cdot (t-t_0)}$  (20.14)

$$|k\rangle \langle k| \psi\rangle = |k\rangle \langle k| \psi_0\rangle \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E_k}{\hbar} \cdot (t-t_0)} \quad (20.15)$$

$$|k\rangle \langle k| = 1 \quad |\psi\rangle = |\psi_0\rangle \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E_k}{\hbar} \cdot (t-t_0)} \quad (20.16)$$

$$f(\mathbf{H}) |k\rangle = f(E_k) |k\rangle \quad (20.17)$$

$$f(\mathbf{H}) = \sum_{k=1}^N |k\rangle \langle k| f(E_k) = \sum_{k=1}^N |k\rangle \langle k| e^{-i \cdot \frac{E_k}{\hbar} \cdot (t-t_0)} = \sum_{k=1}^N |k\rangle \langle k| e^{-i \cdot \frac{\mathbf{H}}{\hbar} \cdot (t-t_0)} \quad (20.18)$$

$$|\psi\rangle = e^{-i \cdot \frac{\mathbf{H}}{\hbar} \cdot (t-t_0)} |\psi_0\rangle \quad (20.19)$$

$U(t) = e^{-i \cdot \frac{\mathbf{H}}{\hbar} \cdot (t-t_0)}$  is the *evolution operator*. It is unitary. The ket  $|\psi\rangle$  components, are those of  $|\psi_0\rangle$  rotated with a phase

$$\frac{E_k}{\hbar} = \omega_k \quad (20.20)$$

**Planck's formula:**  $E(\omega_k) := \hbar \cdot \omega_k$  (20.21)

## 21 Black body radiation

The *spectral exitance* is given by the Planck formula.

Define the constants.  $c_1 := \pi \cdot 2 \cdot h \cdot c^2$        $c_2 := \frac{h \cdot c}{k_B}$

$$c_1 = 0.322 \cdot \frac{\text{cal} \cdot \mu\text{m}^2}{\text{hr}} \quad c_2 = 0.014 \text{ m} \cdot \text{K}$$

**Planck's formula of black body radiation:**  $I_\lambda(\lambda, T) := c_1 \cdot \frac{\lambda^{-5}}{e^{\frac{c_2}{\lambda \cdot T}} - 1}$

$$1000 \cdot (\text{\AA}) = 0.1 \cdot \mu\text{m}$$

$$I_\lambda(1000 \cdot \text{\AA}, 4000 \cdot \text{K}) = 8.936 \cdot \frac{\text{kW}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$\lambda_0(T) := \frac{c_2}{5 \cdot T}$$

$$I_\lambda(1 \cdot \mu\text{m}, 6000 \cdot \text{K}) = 3.741 \times 10^4 \cdot \frac{\text{GW}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{SB}} = 56.696 \cdot \frac{\text{nW}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}^4}$$

if  $\lambda T \ll c_2 \Rightarrow e^{\frac{c_2}{\lambda \cdot T}} \gg 1 \Rightarrow I_\lambda = c_1 \cdot \lambda^{-5} \cdot e^{-\frac{c_2}{\lambda \cdot T}}$

$$U(\omega, T) - U(\omega, 0) = \frac{\hbar \cdot \omega^3}{\pi^2 \cdot c^3 \cdot \left( \exp\left(\frac{\hbar \cdot \omega}{k \cdot T}\right) - 1 \right)}$$

Wien Displacement law  $\lambda_{\text{max}}(T) := \frac{2.8978 \cdot 10^6}{T} \cdot \text{nm} \cdot \text{K}$        $\lambda_{\text{max}}(6000 \cdot \text{K}) = 0.483 \cdot \mu\text{m}$

Color( $\lambda_{\text{max}}(6000 \cdot \text{K})$ ) = "Bleu"

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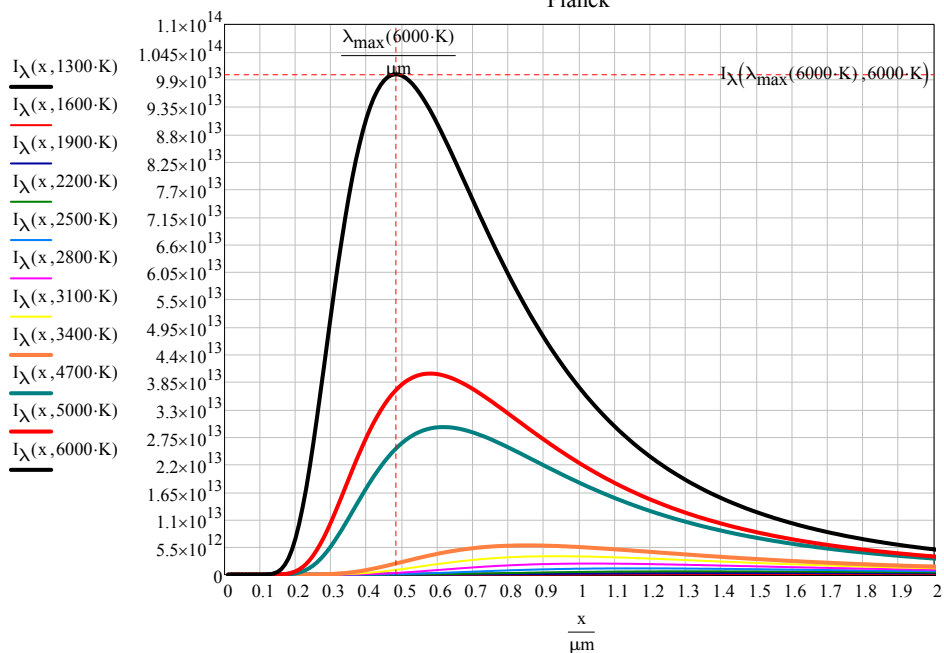
$\lambda_{\text{max}}(5000 \cdot \text{K}) = 0.58 \cdot \mu\text{m}$

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Essentially the solar spectrum is a black body radiation at 6050 K with power density:  $135.3 \cdot \frac{\text{mW}}{\text{cm}^2}$ .

$$\lambda_{\text{sun}} := 0 \cdot \mu\text{m}, 0.01 \cdot \mu\text{m} \dots 4 \cdot \mu\text{m}$$

### Planck



### Stefan-Boltzmann

$$z = \lambda^{-1} \quad dz = -\lambda^{-2} \cdot d\lambda = -z^2 \cdot d\lambda \quad d\lambda = -\frac{dz}{z^2}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} c_1 \cdot \frac{\lambda^{-5}}{e^{\lambda \cdot T} - 1} d\lambda = - \int_{\infty}^0 c_1 \cdot \frac{z^5}{\left( e^{\frac{c_2 \cdot z}{T}} - 1 \right) \cdot z^2} dz = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{c_1 \cdot z^3}{e^{\frac{c_2 \cdot z}{T}} - 1} dz$$

$$c_1 := c_1 \quad T := T \quad \lambda := \lambda \quad c_2 := c_2$$

$$c_1 \cdot \int_0^{\infty} \frac{z^3}{e^{\frac{c_2 \cdot z}{T}} - 1} dz \rightarrow \frac{\pi^4 \cdot T^4 \cdot c_1}{15 \cdot c_2^4}$$

$$\frac{\pi^4 \cdot T^4 \cdot c_1}{15 \cdot c_2^4} = \sigma \cdot T^4$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} c_1 \cdot \frac{\lambda^{-5}}{e^{\lambda \cdot T} - 1} d\lambda = \sigma_{SB} \cdot T^4$$

$$c_1 = 0 \frac{\text{m}^4 \cdot \text{kg}}{\text{s}^3}$$

$$c_2 = 0.014 \cdot \text{m} \cdot \text{K}$$

$$\frac{c_1}{c_2^4} = 8.731 \times 10^{-9} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{K}^4 \cdot \text{s}^3}$$

$$\sigma_{SB} := \frac{\pi^2 \cdot k_B^4}{60 \cdot \hbar^3 \cdot c^2}$$

$$T := 300 \cdot \text{K} \quad a(T) := \frac{k_B \cdot T}{\hbar}$$

$$\sigma_{SB} = 56.696 \cdot \frac{\text{nW}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}^4}$$

$$a(T) = 3.927 \times 10^{13} \cdot \text{sec}^{-1}$$

$$\sigma_{SB} = 56.696 \cdot \frac{\text{nW}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}^4}$$

$$E_{\text{tot}} = \int_0^{\infty} I_{\lambda} d\lambda = \sigma_{SB} \cdot T^4$$

The total emittance is given by the *Stefan-Boltzmann* law  $E_{\text{tot}}(T) := \sigma_{SB} \cdot T^4$

$$E_{\text{tot}}(T) = 459.239 \cdot \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2}$$

### Time evolution operator

**Time evolution operator** (conservative system, the Hamiltonian  $\mathbf{H}$ , is constant in time):

$$U(t, t_0) = e^{-i \cdot \frac{\mathbf{H}(t-t_0)}{\hbar}} \quad U(t_0, t_0) = 1 \quad (20.22)$$

$$\text{Differentiation: } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} U(t, t_0) = -\frac{\mathbf{H} \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{\mathbf{H}(t-t_0)}{\hbar}} \cdot i}{\hbar} = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \mathbf{H} \cdot U(t, t_0)$$

$$\text{If } \mathbf{H} \text{ is time independent then: } i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{d}{dt} U(t, t_0) = \mathbf{H} \cdot U(t, t_0) \quad (20.23)$$

$$\text{Integral equation } U(t, t_0) = 1 - \frac{i}{\hbar} \cdot \int_{t_0}^t \mathbf{H} \cdot U(\tau, t_0) d\tau \quad (20.24)$$

Assuming a linear dependence of  $|\Psi(t)\rangle$  from  $|\Psi(t_0)\rangle$  I can write:

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = U(t, t_0) |\Psi(t_0)\rangle \quad (20.25)$$

$$\text{Differentiation: } \frac{d}{dt} |\Psi(t)\rangle = \left( \frac{d}{dt} U(t, t_0) \right) |\Psi(t_0)\rangle \quad (20.26)$$

from (20.19) I get  $\frac{d}{dt} U(t, t_0) = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \mathbf{H} \cdot U(t, t_0)$ , which substituted in (20.22) gives:

$$\frac{d}{dt} |\Psi(t)\rangle = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \mathbf{H} \cdot U(t, t_0) |\Psi(t_0)\rangle \quad (20.27)$$

$$\text{that is the Schrödinger equation: } \frac{d}{dt} |\Psi(t)\rangle = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \mathbf{H} |\Psi(t)\rangle \quad (20.28)$$

☑ Time evolution operator

### 22 Momentum Space Wave Function

$$dV = dx \cdot dy \cdot dz \quad d\mathbf{k} = dk_x \cdot dk_y \cdot dk_z \quad \mathbf{k} = k_x \cdot \mathbf{i}_x + k_y \cdot \mathbf{i}_y + k_z \cdot \mathbf{i}_z$$

Consider the Fourier transforms and the inverses of the wave function and of the potential:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}} \int f(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \quad f(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}} \int \Psi(\mathbf{r}) \cdot e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} dV \quad (21.1)$$

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = \int W(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} V(\mathbf{r}) = 0 \quad W(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int V(\mathbf{r}) \cdot e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} dV \quad (21.2)$$

$$\text{Substitute into the Schrödinger equation } \frac{-\hbar^2}{2\cdot m} \cdot \Delta \Psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) = E \Psi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (21.3)$$

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$$\left[ \frac{-\hbar^2}{2\cdot m} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}} \cdot \Delta \int f(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \dots \right] = E \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}} \int f(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \quad (21.4)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}} \int W(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \cdot \int f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}_1\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k}_1$$

$$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2\cdot m} \int f(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \Delta e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} + \int W(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \cdot \int f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}_1\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k}_1 = E \cdot \int f(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \quad (21.5)$$

consider the the second term on the left side:

$$\int W(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \int f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}_1\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k}_1 = \int \int W(\mathbf{k}) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i(\mathbf{k}_1+\mathbf{k})\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} d\mathbf{k}_1 \quad (21.6)$$

$$\text{replace } \mathbf{k}_2 = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}_1 \quad \mathbf{k}_1 = \mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k} \quad d\mathbf{k}_1 = d\mathbf{k}_2 \quad \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_1 \quad d\mathbf{k} = d\mathbf{k}_2 \quad (21.7)$$

$$\text{obtaining } \int \int W(\mathbf{k}) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i(\mathbf{k}_1+\mathbf{k})\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} d\mathbf{k}_1 = \int \int W(\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_1) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}_2\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k}_1 d\mathbf{k}_2 \quad (21.8')$$

$$\mathbf{k}_2 = \mathbf{k} \quad (21.9')$$

$$\text{resulting } \int \int W(\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{k}_1) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}_2\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k}_1 d\mathbf{k}_2 = \int \int W(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}_1) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k}_1 d\mathbf{k} \quad (21.10')$$

$$\text{furthermore } \Delta e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} = -\mathbf{k}^2 \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \quad (21.11')$$

$$\frac{\hbar^2}{2\cdot m} \int f(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{k}^2 \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} + \int \int W(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}_1) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k}_1 d\mathbf{k} = E \cdot \int f(\mathbf{k}) \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} \quad (21.12')$$

$$\int \left[ \left( \frac{\hbar^2}{2\cdot m} \cdot \mathbf{k}^2 - E \right) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}) + \int W(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}_1) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) d\mathbf{k}_1 \right] \cdot e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{k} = 0 \quad (21.13')$$

$$\left( \frac{\hbar^2}{2\cdot m} \cdot \mathbf{k}^2 - E \right) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}) + \int W(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}_1) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) d\mathbf{k}_1 = 0 \quad (21.14')$$

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$$\text{integral equation } \int W(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}_1) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}_1) d\mathbf{k}_1 = - \left( \frac{\hbar^2}{2\cdot m} \cdot \mathbf{k}^2 - E \right) \cdot f(\mathbf{k}) \quad (21.4)$$

### 23 Representations theory

$$\text{Euclidean representation: } \langle x | \Psi \rangle = \Psi(x), \quad \langle \Psi | x \rangle = \Psi(x)^*$$

$$\text{k representation: } \langle \mathbf{k} | \Psi \rangle = \Psi(\mathbf{k}), \quad \langle \Psi | \mathbf{k} \rangle = \Psi(\mathbf{k})^*$$

$$\text{p representation: } \langle p | \Psi \rangle = \Psi(p), \quad \langle \Psi | p \rangle = \Psi(p)^*$$

$$\text{Closure relation: } \mathbf{P}_A = \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle \langle j| + \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle d\xi \langle \xi| = 1 \quad (10.12')$$

$$\mathbf{P}_A \mathbf{H} = \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle \langle j| \mathbf{H} + \int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle d\xi \langle \xi| \mathbf{H} = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{|j\rangle \langle j|}{\lambda_j} + \frac{\int_{\xi_1}^{\xi_2} |\xi\rangle d\xi \langle \xi|}{\lambda}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_A = \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle\langle j| = 1$$

$$\mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle = E_k | \psi \rangle$$

$$(z - \mathbf{H}) | \psi \rangle = (z - E_k) | \psi \rangle$$

$$(z - \mathbf{H}) \cdot \mathbf{P}_A | \psi \rangle = (z - E_k) \cdot \mathbf{P}_A | \psi \rangle$$

apply the closure relation (10.12') assuming that there is no continuous spectrum

$$(z - \mathbf{H}) \cdot \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle\langle j| \psi \rangle = (z - E_k) \cdot \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle\langle j| \psi \rangle$$

$$(z - \mathbf{H})^{-1} \cdot \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle\langle j| \psi \rangle = \frac{1}{(z - E_k)} \cdot \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle\langle j| \psi \rangle$$

$$(z - \mathbf{H})^{-1} \cdot \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle\langle j| = \frac{1}{(z - E_k)} \cdot \sum_{j=1}^N |j\rangle\langle j| = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{|j\rangle\langle j|}{z - E_k} = G(z)$$

$$\text{Green function: } G(z) = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{|j\rangle\langle j|}{z - E_k}$$

### 24 Time evolution of the average value of an observable [4]

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \cdot (\langle [\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{H}] \rangle) + \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle \quad (23.1)$$

□ Demonstration of 23.1)

Consider the definition of average value:

$$\langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \langle \psi | \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle = \int \Psi(\tau) \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \Psi(\tau) d\tau \quad (23.2)$$

and calculate the expectation value derivative:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \frac{d}{dt} \langle \psi | \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle \quad (23.3)$$

$$\text{calculation result: } \frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \psi | \right) \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \mathbf{A} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle \quad (23.4)$$

$$\text{knowing that: } i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \psi | = \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}^\dagger \quad (23.5)$$

$$\text{from which } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \cdot \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \psi | = \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}^\dagger \cdot \frac{1}{-i \cdot \hbar} \quad (23.6)$$

$$\langle \psi | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle = \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle$$

after a substitution in 22.4), I get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \psi | \right) \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \mathbf{A} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle \dots = \left( \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}^\dagger \cdot \frac{1}{-i \cdot \hbar} \right) \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle \dots \\ &+ \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle \dots + \langle \psi | \mathbf{A} \left( \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \cdot \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle \right) + \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so that } \frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \left( \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}^\dagger \cdot \frac{1}{-i \cdot \hbar} \right) \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \mathbf{A} \left( \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \cdot \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle \right) + \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = -\frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \left( \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle \right) + \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \left( \langle \psi | \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle \right) + \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle$$

$$\text{namely } \frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \cdot (\langle \psi | \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle - \langle \psi | \mathbf{H}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{A} | \psi \rangle) + \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle \quad (23.7)$$

Self adjoint Operator (Hermitian):  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}^\dagger$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \cdot \langle \psi | (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{H} - \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{A}) | \psi \rangle + \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle \quad (23.8)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \frac{1}{i \cdot \hbar} \cdot (\langle [\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{H}] \rangle) + \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} \rangle$$

□ Demonstration of 23.1)

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \langle A \rangle = -\frac{1}{\hbar^2} \langle [ [A, H], H ] \rangle + \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle \frac{d}{dt} [A, H] \rangle + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} A \rangle \quad (23.9)$$

□ Demonstration of 23.9)

$$\text{Eq. 23.1 can be rewritten as: } \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} A \rangle = -\frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle [A, H] \rangle + \frac{d}{dt} \langle A \rangle \quad (23.10)$$

For a system in stationary state, of energy  $E(\omega) := \hbar \cdot \omega$   $|\Psi\rangle = e^{-i \cdot \frac{E \cdot t}{\hbar}} |\psi\rangle$

$$E \cdot \psi \cdot e^{-\frac{E \cdot t \cdot i}{\hbar}} = \mathbf{H} \left( \psi \cdot e^{-i \cdot \frac{E \cdot t}{\hbar}} \right)$$

$$\text{Schrödinger equation for the stationary state } \mathbf{H} \cdot \psi = E \cdot \psi \quad \mathbf{H} | \psi_k \rangle = E_k | \psi_k \rangle$$

The observable is a motion's constant when the operator isn't time dependent. This happens if and only if its average isn't time dependent.

**Theorem:** a necessary and sufficient condition that a time independent observable be a motion's constant, is that the Hamiltonian commute with it. It follows that all statistical moments are time independent as well. The set of all time independent variables commuting with the Hamiltonian (compatibility) coincide with the motion's constants.

## 25 Conservation Laws [4]

For a particle in a scalar potential:

$$\text{Probability density } P = \psi^* \cdot \psi \quad (24.1)$$

$$\text{Probability current density } \mathbf{J} = \frac{\hbar}{2 \cdot m \cdot i} \cdot [\psi^* \cdot \nabla \psi - (\nabla \psi)^* \cdot \psi] \quad (24.2)$$

$$\text{Continuity law } \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P = 0 \quad (24.3)$$

$$\text{Energy Flux vector } \mathbf{S} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi^* \cdot \nabla \psi - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi \cdot \nabla (\psi^*) \right] \quad (24.4)$$

$$\text{Energy density } W = \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot [\nabla (\psi^*) \cdot \nabla \psi + \psi^* \cdot \nabla \nabla \psi] \quad (24.5)$$

## 26 Commutation relations of Angular Momentum [4]

(Classical mechanics  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$ )

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p} \leftrightarrow -i\hbar \mathbf{r} \times \nabla, \quad (25.1)$$

$$[\mathbf{q}_i, A(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{q}_i)] = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{q}_i} A(\mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{q}_i) \quad (25.2)$$

$$[\mathbf{L}_x, \mathbf{L}_y] = i\hbar \mathbf{L}_z \quad (25.3)$$

$$[\mathbf{L}_y, \mathbf{L}_z] = i\hbar \mathbf{L}_x \quad (25.4)$$

$$[\mathbf{L}_z, \mathbf{L}_x] = i\hbar \mathbf{L}_y \quad (25.5)$$

$$[\mathbf{L}_z, \mathbf{L}_x^2] = i\hbar (\mathbf{L}_y \mathbf{L}_x + \mathbf{L}_x \mathbf{L}_y) \quad (25.6)$$

$$[\mathbf{L}_z, \mathbf{L}_y^2] = i\hbar (\mathbf{L}_y \mathbf{L}_x + \mathbf{L}_x \mathbf{L}_y) \quad (25.7)$$

$$[\mathbf{L}_z, \mathbf{L}_z^2] = 0 \quad (25.8)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \text{ is a unit vector } [\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{p}] = -i\hbar (\mathbf{i}_x \times \mathbf{p}) \quad (25.9)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \text{ is a unit vector } [\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{r}] = -i\hbar (\mathbf{i}_x \times \mathbf{r}) \quad (25.10)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \text{ is a unit vector } [\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{p}^2] = 0 \quad (25.11)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \text{ is a unit vector } [\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{r}^2] = 0 \quad (25.12)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \text{ is a unit vector } [\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{L}, \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}] = 0 \quad (25.13)$$

$$\text{Spherical coordinates } (\mathbf{r}, \theta, \varphi) \quad p_r = \frac{\hbar}{i} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \right) \quad (25.14)$$

$$\text{Classical mechanics} \quad \mathbf{p}^2 = \mathbf{p}_r^2 + \frac{\mathbf{L}^2}{r^2} \quad (25.15)$$

$$\mathbf{L}^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{\sin(\theta)^2} \left[ \sin(\theta) \cdot \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin(\theta) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \right] + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} \right] \quad (25.16)$$

$$\mathbf{L}^2 Y(\ell, m, \theta, \varphi) = \ell(\ell+1) \cdot \hbar^2 \cdot Y(\ell, m, \theta, \varphi) \quad \ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \infty \quad (25.17)$$

$$\mathbf{L}_z Y(\ell, m, \theta, \varphi) = m \cdot \hbar \cdot Y(\ell, m, \theta, \varphi) \quad m = -\ell, -\ell+1, \dots, \ell \quad (25.18)$$

$$P_1(\cos(\gamma)) = \frac{4 \cdot \pi}{2 \cdot \ell + 1} \cdot \sum_{j=-\ell}^{\ell} (Y(\ell, j, \Theta, \Phi) * Y(\ell, j, \theta, \varphi)) \quad (25.19)$$

☐ Angular momentum theorem

A vector operator  $\mathbf{J}$  is an angular momentum if its components are observables satisfying the following commutation

relations:

$$\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}_x \cdot \mathbf{i}_x + \mathbf{J}_y \cdot \mathbf{i}_y + \mathbf{J}_z \cdot \mathbf{i}_z \quad (25.20)$$

$$[\mathbf{J}_x, \mathbf{J}_y] = i\hbar \mathbf{J}_z \quad (25.21)$$

$$[\mathbf{J}_y, \mathbf{J}_z] = i\hbar \mathbf{J}_x \quad (25.22)$$

$$[\mathbf{J}_z, \mathbf{J}_x] = i\hbar \mathbf{J}_y \quad (25.23)$$

If  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are any two vectors (or any two vector operators that commute with each other and also with  $\mathbf{J}$ ) I get

$$[\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{J}, \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{J}] = i\hbar \cdot (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{J} \quad (25.24)$$

$$[\mathbf{J}, \mathbf{J}^2] = 0 \quad (25.25)$$

$$[f(\mathbf{J}_\alpha), \mathbf{J}^2] = 0 \quad (25.26)$$

Hermitian conjugated operators:  $\mathbf{J}_+ = \mathbf{J}_x + i\mathbf{J}_y \quad \mathbf{J}_- = \mathbf{J}_x - i\mathbf{J}_y$

$$[\mathbf{J}_z, \mathbf{J}_+] = \hbar \mathbf{J}_+ \quad (25.27)$$

$$[\mathbf{J}_z, \mathbf{J}_-] = -\hbar \mathbf{J}_- \quad (25.28)$$

$$[\mathbf{J}_+, \mathbf{J}_-] = 2\hbar \mathbf{J}_z \quad (25.29)$$

☐ Demonstration of (25.27), (25.28), (25.29)

$$[\mathbf{J}^2, \mathbf{J}_+] = [\mathbf{J}^2, \mathbf{J}_-] = [\mathbf{J}^2, \mathbf{J}_z] = 0 \quad (25.30)$$

$$\mathbf{J}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (\mathbf{J}_+ \mathbf{J}_- + \mathbf{J}_- \mathbf{J}_+) + \mathbf{J}_z^2 \quad (25.31)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_- \mathbf{J}_+ = \mathbf{J}^2 - \mathbf{J}_z \cdot (\mathbf{J}_z + 1) \quad (25.32)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_+ \mathbf{J}_- = \mathbf{J}^2 - \mathbf{J}_z \cdot (\mathbf{J}_z - 1) \quad (25.33)$$

## 27 Charged Elemental Particle (Q) in an Electromagnetic Field

☑ MKS-GAUSS  
☑ Electric field

The electric field is bounded to the vector potential by the relation:

$$\frac{\text{volt}}{\text{m}} \quad \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R}, t) = -\nabla \varphi(\mathbf{R}, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t) \quad \frac{\text{Wb}}{\text{m}\cdot\text{sec}} = 1 \cdot \frac{\text{volt}}{\text{m}} \quad (26.1)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t) = \nabla \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t) \quad (26.2)$$

$$\frac{\text{volt}}{\text{m}} \quad \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R}, t) = -\nabla \varphi(\mathbf{R}, t) - \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t) \quad \frac{\text{Wb}}{\text{m}\cdot\text{sec}} = 1 \cdot \frac{\text{volt}}{\text{m}} \quad (26.1')$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R}, t) = -\nabla (\varphi(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t))$$

☑ verify

Consider the electric charge Q immersed in an electromagnetic field. It is subject to the Lorenz force:

$$\mathbf{F} = Q \cdot (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \quad (26.3)$$

Substitute in it eq. 26.1) and the option 26.a1) (Option 1) . Results:

$$\mathbf{F} = m \cdot \mathbf{q}'' = \mathbf{p}' = Q \cdot \left[ -\nabla \varphi - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{v} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) \right] \quad (26.4)$$

$$\mathbf{v} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{A}) = \nabla (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}) - [(\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \cdot \mathbf{A} + (\mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla) \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{A} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{v})] \quad (26.5)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{A} \quad (26.2)$$

$$\mathbf{F} = Q \cdot \left[ -\nabla \varphi - \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{A} + \nabla (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}) - [(\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \cdot \mathbf{A} + (\mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla) \cdot \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{A} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{v})] \right] \quad (26.6)$$

furthermore, collecting the gradient operators, I can write:

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R}, t) = -\nabla (\varphi(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) = -\nabla (\Phi_p) \quad (26.7)$$

so that I can define the scalar potential:  $\Phi_p(\mathbf{R}, t) = \nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)$  (26.8)

while the potential energy is  $U(\mathbf{R}, t) = Q \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t))$   $Q = \pm q_e$  (26.9)

which is useful to define the Lagrangian.

Lagrangian coordinates:  $\mathbf{p} = m \cdot \mathbf{q}' \quad \mathbf{p}' = m \cdot \mathbf{q}'' \quad \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{r}$  (26.10)

$$\mathbf{F} = m \cdot \mathbf{q}'' = \mathbf{p}' \quad \mathbf{q}' = \frac{\mathbf{p}}{m} \quad (26.11)$$

Cinematic moment (A is the potential vector)

$$T = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot m \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2 \cdot m} = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} \quad (26.12)$$

$$U = Q \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.13)$$

Classical Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L} = T - U = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} - Q \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) - \Phi(\mathbf{r})$   $U = T - \mathcal{L}$  (26.14)

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} - Q \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) - \Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} - Q \cdot (\nabla + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}) - \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.15)$$

Classical Hamiltonian in an electromagnetic field:

$$U = T - \mathcal{L} \quad \mathcal{H} = T + U = 2 \cdot T - \mathcal{L} = \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}' - \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} + Q \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.16)$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} + Q \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.17)$$

Classical Lagrangian for one electron ( $\Phi=0, Q=-q_e$ ) in an electromagnetic field:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} + q_e \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) \quad (26.18)$$

Classical Hamiltonian for one electron ( $\Phi=0, Q=-q_e$ ) in an electromagnetic field:

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} - q_e \cdot (\nabla(\mathbf{R}, t) + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{R}, t)) + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.19)$$

Scalar potential due to electrostatic field  $V(\mathbf{r}) = - \int \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) \, d\mathbf{r}$  or  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = -\nabla V(\mathbf{r})$  (26.20)

The Potential due to non electromagnetic forces is indicated with  $\Phi(\mathbf{r})$

Electromagnetic vector potential  $\mathbf{A}$ , magnetic induction  $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$  (T) . In a system of currents,  $\mathbf{A}$  is the solution of t Helmholtz equation

$$\nabla^2 \mathbf{A}(x, y, z) + k^2 \cdot \mathbf{A}(x, y, z) = -\mathbf{J}_{\sigma}(x, y, z), \quad k^2 = \omega^2 \cdot \mu \cdot \epsilon \quad (26.21)$$

$$\mathbf{A}(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{4 \cdot \pi} \int \int \int \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{p}_1) \cdot \frac{e^{-i \cdot (|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_1|)}}{|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_1|} \, dx \, dy \, dz \quad (26.22)$$

Apply the quantization rules to the classical Hamiltonian of one electron ( $\Phi=0, Q=-q_e$ ) in an electromagnetic field:

Quantization rules (substitute to each classical operator of the Hamiltonian the corresponding Quantum Operator ) when the quantum system possesses a classical analogue:

Classical Operator	Quantized Operator acting on kets or eigenfunctions
$\mathbf{p}$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \nabla$ ,
$\mathbf{q}'$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \frac{\hbar}{m} \cdot \nabla$
$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \mathbf{r} \times \nabla$ ,
$\mathbf{l}_x$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \left( y \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - z \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)$ ,
$\mathbf{l}_y$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \left( z \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$ ,
$\mathbf{l}_z$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \left( x \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)$ ,



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}^2 &\leftrightarrow -\hbar^2 \cdot \Delta, \\ \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} &\leftrightarrow \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta \\ \text{Energy } E &\leftrightarrow i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \\ \ell^2 = (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}) \cdot (\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}) = r^2 \cdot (\mathbf{p}^2 - p_r^2) &\leftrightarrow r^2 \cdot \left[ -\hbar^2 \cdot \Delta + \hbar^2 \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \right) \right] \text{ Sph. coord.} \\ \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p} &\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot r \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial r} = -i \cdot \hbar \cdot r \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \right) \text{ Sph. coord.} \\ \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{p} &\leftrightarrow \nabla \times \quad \text{A. M. 551} \end{aligned}$$

### Classical Hamiltonian for a non relativistic particle of rest mass m:

how do I get the quantized Hamiltonian? I substitute to each classical operator the one given by the table of the correspondences (at first only the energy E).

Classical mechanical energy  $E = T + U = \mathcal{H}$ . In QM, to E and  $\mathcal{H}$  correspond to each one an operators acting on a ke

$$\mathbf{E} | \Psi \rangle = \mathbf{H} | \Psi \rangle, \quad (26.24)$$

Namely, applying the previous substitutions rules, I get (vector operators are written with **bold** fonts):

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} - q_e \cdot \left( V + \frac{\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}, t)}{m} \right) + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} - q_e \cdot V - \frac{q_e \cdot \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}, t)}{m} + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.23)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Classical Hamiltonian} & \leftrightarrow & \text{QM Hamiltonian} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \end{array} \quad (26.25)$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} - q_e \cdot V - \frac{q_e \cdot \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}, t)}{m} + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{H} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2 + \frac{i \cdot q_e \cdot \hbar}{m} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla - q_e \cdot V + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.26)$$

in fact for the scalar product between  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$ , I can write  $\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p} \leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla$  (26.27)

$$\text{classical Hamiltonian of the electron: } \mathcal{H} = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m} + \frac{\mathbf{A}^2 \cdot q_e^2}{2 \cdot c^2 \cdot m} + \frac{\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p} \cdot q_e}{c \cdot m} - q_e \cdot V(\mathbf{r}) + \Phi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (26.28)$$

$$\text{QM Hamiltonian operator } \mathbf{H} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \nabla^2 + \frac{i \cdot q_e \cdot \hbar}{2 \cdot m \cdot c} \cdot (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \nabla) + \frac{q_e^2}{2 \cdot m \cdot c^2} \cdot \mathbf{A}^2 - q_e \cdot V + \Phi \quad (26.29)$$

$\square_{H+H^\dagger}$  \_\_\_\_\_

$$\text{Probability current density } \mathbf{J} = \frac{\hbar}{2 \cdot m \cdot i} \cdot \left( \psi^* \cdot \nabla \Psi - \Psi \cdot \nabla \psi^* - 2i \cdot \frac{q_e}{\hbar \cdot c} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \psi^* \cdot \Psi \right) \quad (26.30)$$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{J} = \frac{\hbar}{2 \cdot m \cdot i} \cdot \left( \psi^* \cdot \nabla \Psi - \Psi \cdot \nabla \psi^* - \frac{q_e}{m \cdot c} \cdot \psi^* \cdot \Psi \cdot \mathbf{A} \right) \quad (26.31)$$

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 Remark on parity \_\_\_\_\_

Remark on parity [4]

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta + V(x) \right) | \psi \rangle &= E | \psi \rangle \\ V(x) = \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot U(x) \quad E = \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \epsilon & \\ \left( \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta + \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot U(x) \right) | \psi \rangle &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \epsilon | \psi \rangle \\ (-\Delta + U(x)) | \psi \rangle &= \epsilon | \psi \rangle \\ \Delta | \psi \rangle &= (U - \epsilon) | \psi \rangle \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \psi(x) - (U - \epsilon) \cdot \psi(x) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

If the potential U is even, that is to say if  $U(x) = U(-x)$ , the Schrödinger Hamiltonian doesn't change when I replace with -x, that is it is **invariant under reflection through the origin**. It follows that if  $\psi(x)$  is an eigenfunction of the eigenvalue E, equation changes as follows:

$$\mathbf{H} | \psi(x) \rangle = E | \psi(x) \rangle \rightarrow \mathbf{H} | \psi(-x) \rangle = E | \psi(-x) \rangle$$

The even function  $\psi(x) + \psi(-x)$  and the odd function  $\psi(x) - \psi(-x)$  are both eigenfunctions of the same eigenvalue E and at least one does vanish identically.

1) **E is not degenerate**, then the four functions ( $\psi(x)$ ,  $\psi(-x)$ ,  $\psi(x) + \psi(-x)$ ,  $\psi(x) - \psi(-x)$ ) are multiples of each other.  $\psi(x)$  is a multiple of the one not identically zero.

The eigenfunction of a non degenerate eigenvalue (spectrum) some are even and the other are odd. The ground state always even. Increasing the eigenvalues of the energy, alternately the eigenfunctions are even and odd.

2) **E is degenerate**, then each eigenfunction  $\psi$  is a linear combination of the linear and independent function f, g each having its parity: for example  $\psi(x) = \lambda f(x) + \mu g(x)$ . The eigenvalues of the continuous spectrum are all doubly degenerate and to each of the corresponds an even function and an odd.

If the Hamiltonian of the system is invariant under certain transformations, the eigenfunctions have certain symmetries. Parity is an example of this.

Consider the observable parity indicated with  $\mathbf{P}$ :

$$\mathbf{P} | \psi(x) \rangle = | \psi(-x) \rangle,$$

$\mathbf{P}$  is Hermitian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P} &= \mathbf{P}^\dagger, \\ \mathbf{P}^2 &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues  $\lambda$  of  $\mathbf{P} | \psi(q) \rangle = \lambda | \psi(-q) \rangle$  are necessarily  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = -1$ .

The eigenfunction associated with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_1 = 1$  are even,

while the eigenfunction associated with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 = -1$  are odd.

When the Schrödinger Hamiltonian is **invariant under reflection through the origin**, results:

$$[\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{H}] = 0.$$

$$\text{If } \mathbf{H} \left( \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \frac{d}{dq}, q \right) = \mathbf{H} \left( -\frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \frac{d}{dq}, -q \right) \Rightarrow \forall | \psi(q) \rangle,$$

$$\mathbf{P} \mathbf{H} | \psi(q) \rangle = \mathbf{H} \left( -\frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \frac{d}{dq}, -q \right) | \psi(-q) \rangle = \mathbf{H} \left( \frac{\hbar}{i} \cdot \frac{d}{dq}, q \right) | \psi(q) \rangle = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{P} | \psi(q) \rangle.$$

For  $t=0$  and the same condition, if the wave function has a definite parity, it conserves the same parity in the course of time.

### 28 Pauli Matrices [4]

**Hermitian**      $\sigma_1 := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$       $\sigma_2 := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$       $\sigma_3 := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$      (27.1)

**Anti Hermitian**      $i \cdot \sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & j \\ j & 0 \end{pmatrix}$       $i \cdot \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$       $i \cdot \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} j & 0 \\ 0 & -j \end{pmatrix}$      (27.2)

### 29 Statistical Mixtures [4]

**Statistical mixture of states:** the dynamical state of the system is *incompletely known*. One assigns to the system a statistical mixture of wave functions each having a suitable statistical weight.

Methods to study incompletely known dynamical states of a quantum system. When information regarding a system is incomplete, I simply state that the system has some probabilities  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$  to find itself in the dynamical states represented by the ket vectors  $|1\rangle, |2\rangle, \dots, |n\rangle$ . In other words the dynamic state of the system can't be represented by a single vector but by a statistical mixture of vectors. Suppose I perform the measurement of the physical quantity A; it is an observable so that it is represented by the operator **A**. After  $n$  measurements I have the average value of the  $n$  results indicated with  $\langle A \rangle_n$ .

$$\langle A \rangle_n = \frac{\langle n | A | n \rangle}{\langle n | n \rangle} \tag{28.1}$$

For normalized eigenvectors I have  $\langle n | n \rangle = 1$ , so that:  $\langle A \rangle_n = \langle n | A | n \rangle$ , while

$$\langle A \rangle = \sum_n [p_n \cdot \langle A \rangle_n] = \sum_n (p_n \cdot \langle n | A | n \rangle) \tag{28.2}$$

in fact if I indicate with  $a_{ij}$  the result of each measurement, I have:  $\langle A \rangle_i = \frac{\sum_j a_{ij}}{n_i} = \langle i | A | i \rangle$

$$| \langle i | i \rangle | = 1$$

$$\langle A \rangle = \frac{\sum_i \sum_j a_{ij}}{\sum_k n_k} = \frac{\sum_i [n_i \cdot \langle A \rangle_i]}{\sum_k n_k} = \sum_i \left[ \frac{n_i}{\sum_k n_k} \cdot \langle A \rangle_i \right] \tag{28.3}$$

define the statistical weight as:  $\frac{n_i}{\sum_k n_k} = p_i$      (28.4)

so that  $\langle A \rangle = \sum_n [p_n \cdot \langle A \rangle_n] = \sum_n (p_n \cdot \langle n | A | n \rangle)$      (28.5)

the statistical weight is given by the projector  $p_n = |n\rangle \langle n|$       $p_n \geq 0$       $\sum_n p_n = 1$      (28.6)

$$P = \sum_n p_n = \sum_n |n\rangle \langle n| \tag{28.7}$$

Consider the projector  $P_n = |n\rangle \langle n|$

$$\text{Tr}(P_n) = 1$$

$$\text{Tr}(\mathbf{P}_n \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{P}_n^2 \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{P}_n \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{P}_n)$$

$$\text{Tr}(\mathbf{P}_n \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{P}_n) = \text{Tr}(|n\rangle\langle n| \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot |n\rangle\langle n|) = \langle n | \mathbf{A} | n \rangle \cdot \text{Tr}(|n\rangle\langle n|) = \langle n | \mathbf{A} | n \rangle$$

$$\text{If } \mathbf{A}=1 \quad \text{Tr}(\mathbf{P}_n) = \langle n | n \rangle = 1$$

$$\langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \sum_n [p_n \cdot \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle_n] = \sum_n (p_n \cdot \langle n | \mathbf{A} | n \rangle) = \sum_n (p_n \cdot \text{Tr}(\mathbf{P}_n \cdot \mathbf{A})) = \sum_n (p_n \cdot \text{Tr}(|n\rangle\langle n| \cdot \mathbf{A}))$$

$$\text{Statistic Operator or Density Operator: } \quad \rho = \sum_n |n\rangle p_n \langle n| \quad \langle n | n \rangle = 1 \quad (28.8)$$

Knowing  $\rho$ , I can find the statistical distribution of the results of measurement of  $\mathbf{A}$

The dynamical state of the system is represented usefully by the statistical mixture of ket vectors.

$$p_n \text{ is a statistical weight } \quad \sum_n p_n = 1 \quad (28.9)$$

$$\rho > 0 \quad (28.10)$$

$$\rho = \rho^\dagger \quad (28.11)$$

$$\text{Tr}(\rho \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle \quad \mathbf{A} = 1 \quad \text{Tr}(\rho) = 1$$

$$\text{Operator trace } \quad \text{Tr}(\rho) = 1 \quad (28.12)$$

$$\text{Tr}(\rho^2) \leq 1 \quad (28.13)$$

$$\text{Average value of the observable } \mathbf{A}: \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \cdot \mathbf{A}) = \langle n | \mathbf{A} | n \rangle \quad (28.14)$$

$$\text{Average value of the function of the observable } F(\mathbf{A}): \langle F(\mathbf{A}) \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \cdot F(\mathbf{A})) \quad (28.15)$$

The probability that the result of measurement belong to domain  $D$  of the spectrum of  $\mathbf{A}$  is

$$w_D = \langle \mathbf{P}_D \rangle = \text{Tr}(\rho \cdot \mathbf{P}_D), \quad (28.16)$$

where  $\mathbf{P}_D$  is the projector upon the subspace spanned by the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

The probability of finding the system in the quantum state represented by the normalized ket  $|x\rangle$ , is:

$$w_x = \text{Tr}(\rho \cdot |x\rangle\langle x|) \quad (28.17)$$

Two statistical mixtures possessing the same density operator, are identical.

$$\text{The Schrödinger equation of the Density Operator: } \quad i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = [\mathbf{H}, \rho] \quad (28.18)$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{k,\ell} = \langle k | [\mathbf{H}, \rho] | \ell \rangle \quad (28.19)$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}^\dagger \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{k,\ell} = -i \cdot \omega_{k,\ell} \cdot \rho_{k,\ell} \quad (28.20)$$

$$\omega_{k,\ell} = \frac{E_k - E_\ell}{\hbar} \quad (28.21)$$

$$\rho(t)_{k,\ell} = \rho(0)_{k,\ell} \cdot e^{-i \cdot \omega_{k,\ell} \cdot (t-t_0)} \quad (28.22)$$

$$\text{for } k=\ell \quad \omega_{k,k} = \frac{E_k - E_k}{\hbar} = 0 \quad \rho_{k,k} = \rho_{k,k}(0) \quad \text{all elements of the diagonal are unchanged}$$

**Pure state:** when the dynamical state of the system is *exactly known* one says that "one is dealing with a *pure state*". The pure state  $|\chi\rangle$  can be represented as the only state of a statistical mixture; so that its density operator is

$$\rho_\chi = |\chi\rangle\langle\chi|$$

$$\rho_\chi^2 = \rho_\chi$$

If a density operator is a projector, than it represents a pure state. Since a density operator can be represented by the superposition

$$\rho = \sum_n |n\rangle p_n \langle n|,$$

in order that it represents a pure state it is necessary and sufficient that each  $|n\rangle$  be equal to each other to within a phase.

Furthermore if  $\text{Tr}(\rho^2) = 1$ , than the density operator represents a pure state.

The state of a quantum system whose Hamiltonian is  $\mathbf{H}$ , in thermodynamic equilibrium at temperature  $T$  is represented the operator

$$\rho = N \cdot e^{-\frac{\mathbf{H}}{k_B \cdot T}},$$

where  $N$  is a normalization constant such that  $\text{Tr}(\rho) = 1$ .

System entropy

$$S = -k \cdot \text{Tr}(\rho \cdot \ln(\rho))$$

### 30 Hamiltonian for macroscopic systems and small interactions close to equilibrium

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_0 + \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} + \mathbf{H}_r \quad (29.1)$$

Unperturbed Hamiltonian  $\mathbf{H}_0$

Interaction Hamiltonian  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}$

Relaxation Hamiltonian  $\mathbf{H}_r$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{k,\ell} = \left( [\mathbf{H}_0, \rho] \right)_{k,\ell} + \left( [\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}, \rho] \right)_{k,\ell} + \left( [\mathbf{H}_r, \rho] \right)_{k,\ell}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_0 > \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} \wedge \mathbf{H}_0 > \mathbf{H}_r \Rightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{k,\ell} = \left( [\mathbf{H}_r, \rho] \right)_{k,\ell} \quad k \neq \ell$$

$$\mathbf{H}_1 = \mathbf{H}_0 + \mathbf{H}_{\text{int}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{k,\ell} \\ i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{k,\ell} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\rho_{k,\ell}}{\tau_{k,\ell}} \\ \left( [\mathbf{H}_1, \rho] \right)_{k,\ell} + i \cdot \frac{\hbar}{T_1} \cdot (\rho_{e_{k,k}} - \rho_{k,k}) \end{bmatrix}$$

If  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{int}} = 0 \Rightarrow \left( [\mathbf{H}_0, \rho] \right)_{k,k} = C_0 \Rightarrow W_{n,k} \cdot \rho_{e_{n,n}} = W_{k,n} \cdot \rho_{e_{k,k}}$  *this is the "detailed balance principle"*

### 31 Algebra of the one-dimensional harmonic oscillator [6]

The classical Hamiltonian of a simple (without damping) mechanical oscillator (composed by a mass m) is:

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot m \cdot x'^2 + \frac{m \cdot \omega^2}{2} \cdot x^2 \quad (30.1)$$

considering the Lagrangian conjugated momenta, I can write  $\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot m \cdot q'^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot m \cdot \omega^2 \cdot q^2$  (30.1)

$$\text{where: } x' = q' \quad p = m \cdot q' \quad q'^2 = \left( \frac{p}{m} \right)^2 = \frac{p^2}{m^2} \quad (30.2)$$

$$\text{so that the Hamiltonian takes the form: } \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \cdot (p^2 + m^2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot q^2) \quad (30.3)$$

Quantization rules (when the quantum system possesses a classical analogue)

Classical Operator	Quantized Operator acting on kets or eigenfunctions
$\mathbf{p}$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \hbar \cdot \nabla$
$\mathbf{q}'$	$\leftrightarrow -i \cdot \frac{\hbar}{m} \cdot \nabla$
$\mathbf{p}^2$	$\leftrightarrow -\hbar^2 \cdot \Delta$
$\frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}'}{2} = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2 \cdot m}$	$\leftrightarrow \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta$
Energy $E$	$\leftrightarrow i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$

$$\text{It follows that: } \mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \cdot (p^2 + m^2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot q^2) \leftrightarrow \mathbf{H} = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta + \frac{m \cdot \omega^2}{2} \cdot q^2 \quad (30.4)$$

The Schrödinger equation of motion is:

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \Psi \rangle = \mathbf{H} | \Psi \rangle \quad (30.5)$$

$$\text{that is: } i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \Psi \rangle = \left( \frac{-\hbar^2}{2 \cdot m} \cdot \Delta + \frac{m \cdot \omega_0^2}{2} \cdot q^2 \right) | \Psi \rangle \quad (30.6)$$

When the system is in a stationary state of energy E, I get  $| \Psi \rangle = e^{-i \cdot \frac{E \cdot t}{\hbar}} | \psi \rangle$

$$E | \psi \rangle = \mathbf{H} | \psi \rangle$$

Commutator [q,p] calculations

with the previous assumption I want see how the Hamiltonia  $\mathbf{H}$  is related to the Lagrangian variables position  $\mathbf{q}$  and conjugated momentum  $\mathbf{p}$ . I found that:

$$[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p} ] = i \cdot \hbar \quad (30.7)$$

$$\text{Define the new operators: } \mathbf{q} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m \cdot \omega}} \cdot \mathbf{Q} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{p} = \sqrt{\hbar \cdot m \cdot \omega} \cdot \mathbf{P} \quad [6] \quad (30.8)$$

substituting in (30.7) I get:

$$[q, p] = q \cdot p - p \cdot q = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m \cdot \omega}} \cdot Q \cdot \sqrt{\hbar \cdot m \cdot \omega} \cdot P - \sqrt{\hbar \cdot m \cdot \omega} \cdot P \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m \cdot \omega}} \cdot Q = \hbar \cdot (Q \cdot P - P \cdot Q) = \hbar \cdot ([Q, P]) = i \cdot \hbar$$

it follows necessarily, that  $[Q, P] = i \cdot I$  (30.9)

Furthermore substituting (30.8) into the Hamiltonian (30.4), results:

$$H = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \cdot (p^2 + m^2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot q^2) = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \cdot (\hbar \cdot m \cdot \omega \cdot P^2 + m^2 \cdot \omega^2 \cdot \frac{\hbar}{m \cdot \omega} \cdot Q^2)$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2 \cdot m} \cdot (\hbar \cdot m \cdot \omega \cdot P^2 + \hbar \cdot m \cdot \omega \cdot Q^2) = \frac{\hbar \cdot \omega}{2} \cdot (P^2 + Q^2)$$

namely:  $H = \frac{\hbar \cdot \omega}{2} \cdot (P^2 + Q^2)$  (30.11)

I place:  $H = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot H_0$

so that, thanks to (30.11), I get:  $H_0 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (P^2 + Q^2)$  (30.12)

$\square$  (Q+iP)(Q-iP)

$\square$  (Q-iP)(Q+iP)

Since I deal with vectorial operators I have:

$$P^2 + Q^2 = (Q + i \cdot P) \cdot (Q - i \cdot P) - I$$

the Hamiltonian (30.12) can be rewritten as:  $H_0 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot [(Q + i \cdot P) \cdot (Q - i \cdot P) - I]$

A further simplification is reached with defining the three new following QM operators:

(Ladder) operator:  $a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (Q + i \cdot P)$  (30.13)

(Ladder) operator:  $a^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (Q - i \cdot P)$  (30.14)

Since  $a \neq a^\dagger$  they aren't Hermitian.

Number operator:  $N = a^\dagger \cdot a$   $N^\dagger = a \cdot a^\dagger$  (30.15)

Complex conjugated of a:  $a^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (Q + i \cdot P)^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (Q - i \cdot P) = a^\dagger$

adjoint or Hermitian conjugate:  $a^* = a^\dagger$

other noteworthy relations between a and a<sup>†</sup> are:

the sum:  $a^\dagger + a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (Q - i \cdot P + Q + i \cdot P) = \sqrt{2} \cdot Q$  (30.16)

$$Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (a^\dagger + a)$$
 (30.17)

the difference:  $a^\dagger - a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot [Q - i \cdot P - (Q + i \cdot P)] = \sqrt{2} \cdot i \cdot P$  (30.18)

$$P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (a^\dagger - a)$$
 (30.19)

Product:  $a \cdot a^\dagger = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (Q + i \cdot P) \cdot (Q - i \cdot P) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (P^2 + Q^2 + I) = H_0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot I$  (30.20)

$$a^\dagger \cdot a = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (Q - i \cdot P) \cdot (Q + i \cdot P) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (Q^2 + P^2 - I) = H_0 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot I$$
 (30.21)

The commutator between a and a<sup>†</sup> can be found using (30.20) and (30.21):

$$[a, a^\dagger] = a \cdot a^\dagger - a^\dagger \cdot a = H_0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot I - (H_0 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot I) = I$$

$$[a, a^\dagger] = I \quad [a^\dagger, a] = -I$$
 (30.22)

From (30.21) I get the operator number as a function of the Hamiltonian H:

$$N = a^\dagger \cdot a = H_0 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot I$$
 (30.23)

that is the Hamiltonian takes the form  $H_0 = N + \frac{1}{2} \cdot I$   $H = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot H_0$  (30.24)

The Hamiltonian can also take other forms, in fact consider the commutator:

$$[a, a^\dagger] = a \cdot a^\dagger - a^\dagger \cdot a = N^\dagger - N$$
 (30.25)

From (30.20), I have:  $N^\dagger = a \cdot a^\dagger = H_0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot I$  (30.26)

namely:  $N^\dagger = H_0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot I$  (30.27)

Calculation of the commutator  $[N, a] = [a^\dagger \cdot a, a] = a^\dagger \cdot a \cdot a - a \cdot a^\dagger \cdot a$   $a^\dagger \cdot a = a \cdot a^\dagger - I$

$\square$  [N,a]

the result is:  $[N, a] = -a$  (30.28)

I adopt the same procedure to calculate the commutator  $[N, a^\dagger]$ , namely:  $a \cdot a^\dagger = a^\dagger \cdot a + I$

$\square$  [N,a†]

the result is:  $[N, a^\dagger] = a^\dagger$  (30.29)

Can be useful to calculate the following difference using (30.27) and (30.24):

$$N^\dagger - N = a \cdot a^\dagger - a^\dagger \cdot a = H_0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot I - H_0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot I = I$$

$$N = N^\dagger - I$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{N}^\dagger &= \mathbf{N} + \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{N}^\dagger - \mathbf{N} &= \mathbf{I} \\ \text{The sum: } \mathbf{N}^\dagger + \mathbf{N} &= \mathbf{H}_0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{H}_0 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} = 2 \cdot \mathbf{H}_0 \\ \mathbf{H}_0 &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (\mathbf{N}^\dagger + \mathbf{N}) \end{aligned} \quad (30.30)$$

The Hamiltonian as a function of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{a}^\dagger$ :

$$\text{from (30.28): } \mathbf{H}_0 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (\mathbf{N}^\dagger + \mathbf{N}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger) \quad (30.31)$$

$$\text{from (30.27) I get: } \mathbf{H}_0 = \mathbf{N}^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \quad \mathbf{H} = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \mathbf{H}_0 \quad (30.32)$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \mathbf{H}_0 | \psi \rangle = \left( \mathbf{N}^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) | \psi \rangle$$

$$\text{The Schrödinger equation of motion is: } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \left( \mathbf{N}^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) | \psi \rangle \quad (30.33)$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \mathbf{H}_0 | \psi \rangle = \left( \mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) | \psi \rangle$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \left( \mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) | \psi \rangle$$

$$\text{The Schrödinger equation of motion is: } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \cdot \left( \mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) | \psi \rangle \quad (30.34)$$

$$i \cdot \hbar \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \mathbf{H}_0 | \psi \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}) | \psi \rangle$$

$$\text{The Schrödinger equation of motion is: } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle = \frac{-i}{2 \cdot \hbar} \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger) | \psi \rangle \quad (30.35)$$

### 32 Eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the energy associated with $\mathbf{H}$ and $\mathbf{N}$ [6]

Assuming that there exists at least one eigenket of  $\mathbf{N}$  in Hilbert space  $\mathbb{H}$ , I can write:

$$\mathbf{N} | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \nu | \varphi_\nu \rangle, \quad (31.1)$$

where  $\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}$  and  $\langle \varphi_\nu | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \lambda_\nu$ , that is the ket  $| \varphi_\nu \rangle$  isn't normalized.

Now write the eigenvalue equation for the ket:  $\mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle$  keeping in mind (30.28)  $[\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{a}] = -\mathbf{a}$  (31.2)

$$[\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{a}] = \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{N} \quad \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a} = [\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{a}] + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{N} = -\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{N} = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{I})$$

$$\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{I}) | \varphi_\nu \rangle = (\nu - 1) \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle, \quad (31.3)$$

Knowing that [eq. (30.22)]:  $[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^\dagger] = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{I}$

$$\text{it follows that: } \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{I} \quad (31.4)$$

$$\text{apply } \mathbf{a} \text{ on the right of (31.4): } \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{I}) \cdot \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{I}) \quad (31.5)$$

so that eq. (31.3) can be rewritten as:  $\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger - \mathbf{I}) \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{therefore: } \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle &= \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{I}) | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{I}) | \varphi_\nu \rangle \\ \text{resulting: } \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a} &= \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{I}) \end{aligned} \quad (31.6)$$

the eigenvalues equation is:  $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{I}) | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\nu - 1) | \varphi_\nu \rangle = (\nu - 1) \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle$

$$\text{finally resulting: } \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle = (\nu - 1) \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle \quad (31.7)$$

□

The ket:  $\mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle$  is an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{N}$  with eigenvalue  $\nu - 1$ . I can define the new eigenvector:

$$C | \varphi_{\nu-1} \rangle = \mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle$$

the equation (31.7) become:  $\mathbf{N} \cdot C | \varphi_{\nu-1} \rangle = (\nu - 1) \cdot C | \varphi_{\nu-1} \rangle$

$$\text{namely: } \mathbf{N} | \varphi_{\nu-1} \rangle = (\nu - 1) | \varphi_{\nu-1} \rangle \quad (31.8)$$

With the same procedure I define the ket:  $C | \varphi_{\nu-2} \rangle = \mathbf{a} | \varphi_{\nu-1} \rangle = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{a} | \varphi_\nu \rangle) = \mathbf{a}^2 | \varphi_\nu \rangle$

and so on, finding the  $m^{\text{th}}$  eigenvector of  $\mathbf{N}$  as:  $| \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle = \mathbf{a}^m | \varphi_\nu \rangle$  (31.9)

Now write the eigenvalue equation (31.1) for the ket:  $\mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle$  that is:  $\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle$ ,

$$\text{since: } \mathbf{N} = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a},$$

$$\text{the eigenvalues equation takes the form: } \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle \quad (31.10)$$

The product  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger$  in (31.10) is equivalent to the following:  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}$ ,

$$\text{therefore: } \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}) | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{N}) | \varphi_\nu \rangle,$$

$$\text{from (31.10) the equality: } \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot (\mathbf{N} + \mathbf{I}) \text{. The eigenvalues equation gives:} \quad (31.11)$$

$$\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot (\mathbf{N} + \mathbf{I}) | \varphi_\nu \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot (\nu + 1) | \varphi_\nu \rangle = (\nu + 1) \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle$$

$$\text{finally resulting: } \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle = (\nu + 1) \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle$$

so that  $\mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle$  is an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{N}$  with eigenvalue  $\nu + 1$ . In that case I can define the new eigenvectors

$$| \varphi_{\nu+1} \rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \varphi_\nu \rangle \quad (31.12)$$

$$| \varphi_{\nu+2} \rangle = (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^2 | \varphi_\nu \rangle \quad (31.13)$$

$$|\varphi_{\nu+m}\rangle = (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^m |\varphi_\nu\rangle \quad (31.14)$$

Resuming the previous results (31.9) and (31.14):

$$|\varphi_{\nu-m}\rangle = \mathbf{a}^m |\varphi_\nu\rangle \quad \text{eigenvalues } \nu-m \quad (31.9')$$

$$|\varphi_{\nu+m}\rangle = (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^m |\varphi_\nu\rangle \quad \text{eigenvalues } \nu+m \quad (31.14')$$

$$|\varphi_{\nu+m}\rangle \neq |0\rangle \quad (31.15)$$

□ Demonstration of  $|\varphi(\lambda+m)\rangle \neq |0\rangle$

Finally, results  $|\varphi_{\nu+1}\rangle$  always an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{N}$  with eigenvalue  $\nu+1$ . On the other hand  $|\varphi_{\nu-m}\rangle$  can be zero. In fact, calculate the average:

$$\langle \varphi_{\nu-m} | \mathbf{N} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle = \langle \varphi_{\nu-m} | (\nu-m) | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle = (\nu-m) \langle \varphi_{\nu-m} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle \quad (31.16)$$

$$\text{this result can be rewritten as } (\nu-m) \langle \varphi_{\nu-m} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle = (\nu-m) \cdot (\| |\varphi_{\nu-m}\rangle \|^2) \quad (31.17)$$

$$\text{in such a way that: } \nu-m = \frac{\langle \varphi_{\nu-m} | \mathbf{N} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle}{(\| |\varphi_{\nu-m}\rangle \|^2)} \quad (31.18)$$

On the other hand the average of the operator  $\mathbf{N}$  is:

$$\langle \varphi_{\nu-m} | \mathbf{N} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle = \langle \varphi_{\nu-m} | \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle = (\| \mathbf{a} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle \|^2) \quad (31.19)$$

$$\text{so that I can write as well: } \nu-m = \frac{(\| \mathbf{a} | \varphi_{\nu-m} \rangle \|^2)}{(\| |\varphi_{\nu-m}\rangle \|^2)} \geq 0 \quad (31.20)$$

It follows that the sequence of eigenvectors  $|\varphi_{\nu-m}\rangle$ , must terminate after a finite number of steps and there must exist one vector  $|\varphi_0\rangle$  such that  $\mathbf{a} | \varphi_0 \rangle = |0\rangle$ .

#### Normalization:

$$\text{define the normalized eigenvector as } |\phi_0\rangle = \frac{|\varphi_0\rangle}{\| |\varphi_0\rangle \|} = C_0 | \varphi_0 \rangle \quad C_0 = 1 \quad (31.21)$$

□ Various cases

$$\text{generalizing I get: } |\phi_n\rangle = \frac{|\varphi_n\rangle}{\| |\varphi_n\rangle \|} = C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle \quad (31.22)$$

$$|\phi_n\rangle = C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle \quad (31.23)$$

$$C_n = \frac{1}{k_n}$$

I'm looking for a relation between  $C_n$  and  $C_{n-1}$ . Consider therefore the normalization of the eigenvalue equation with  $\nu = n$ :

$$\frac{\mathbf{N} | \varphi_n \rangle}{\| | \varphi_n \rangle \|} = \frac{n | \varphi_n \rangle}{\| | \varphi_n \rangle \|} \quad (31.24)$$

thanks to (31.22) eq. (31.24) it can be rewritten:

$$\mathbf{N} | \phi_n \rangle = n | \phi_n \rangle \quad (31.25)$$

$$\text{whose norm is: } \| | \phi_n \rangle \| = \sqrt{\langle \phi_n | \phi_n \rangle} = 1 \quad (31.26)$$

Now calculate the square of (31.26) and substitute in it eq.(31.23):

$$(\| | \phi_n \rangle \|^2) = \left[ \| C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle \|^2 \right] = (|C_n|^2) \cdot \langle \varphi_0 | (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle = 1 \quad (31.27)$$

□ Calculation of  $\| | \phi_n \rangle \|^2$

$$\| C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle \|^2 = \left[ C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle \right]^\dagger C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle = \langle \varphi_0 | (C_n^*) \cdot \left[ (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^\dagger \right]^n \cdot C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle$$

$$\left[ (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^\dagger \right]^n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n = (\mathbf{a})^n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n$$

$$\langle \varphi_0 | (C_n^*) \cdot \left[ (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^\dagger \right]^n \cdot C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle = \langle \varphi_0 | (C_n^*) \cdot \mathbf{a}^n \cdot C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle$$

$$\langle \varphi_0 | C_n^* \cdot \mathbf{a}^n \cdot C_n \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle = C_n^* \cdot C_n \langle \varphi_0 | (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle = (|C_n|^2) \langle \varphi_0 | (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a})^n | \varphi_0 \rangle$$

□ Calculation of  $\| | \phi_n \rangle \|^2$

In the average (31.27) there is the previously defined ket (31.23):

$$(\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{C_n} | \phi_n \rangle = \frac{\mathbf{a}^\dagger | \phi_{n-1} \rangle}{C_{n-1}} \quad (31.28)$$

which substituted in the result (31.27), gives:

$$\langle \varphi_0 | (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{(|C_n|^2)} = \frac{\langle \phi_{n-1} | \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \phi_{n-1} \rangle}{(|C_{n-1}|)^2} = \frac{\langle \phi_{n-1} | (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}) | \phi_{n-1} \rangle}{(|C_{n-1}|)^2}$$

$$(|C_n|^2) \cdot \left[ \langle \varphi_0 | (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n | \varphi_0 \rangle \right]^2 = (|C_n|^2) \cdot (\langle \phi_n | \phi_n \rangle)^2 = (|C_n|^2)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{(|C_n|^2)} = n \cdot \frac{\langle \phi_{n-1} | \phi_{n-1} \rangle}{(|C_{n-1}|)^2} = \frac{n}{(|C_{n-1}|)^2} \quad \langle \phi_{n-1} | \phi_{n-1} \rangle = 1$$

$$\frac{\langle \phi_{n-1} | (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}) | \phi_{n-1} \rangle}{(|C_{n-1}|)^2} = \frac{\langle \phi_{n-1} | (\mathbf{N} + 1) | \phi_{n-1} \rangle}{(|C_{n-1}|)^2} = n \cdot \frac{\langle \phi_{n-1} | \phi_{n-1} \rangle}{(|C_{n-1}|)^2}$$

□  $\langle n |$

□ Sequence

$$C_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}} \quad (31.29)$$

The sought eigenvector is:  $|\phi_n\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}} \cdot (\mathbf{a}^\dagger)^n |\phi_0\rangle$  with eigenvalue  $n$ , (31.30)

(that is the solution of the eigenvalues equation:  $\mathbf{N} |\phi_n\rangle = n |\phi_n\rangle$ .)

They are orthonormal  $\langle \phi_n | \phi_\nu \rangle = \delta_{n,\nu}$  and form an orthonormal basis in Hilbert space  $\mathbb{H}$ , the space of the dynamical states of the quantum system under study. The operators  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{a}^\dagger$  are defined on this basis.

$$C |\phi_{\nu-1}\rangle = \mathbf{a} |\phi_\nu\rangle$$

$$\langle \phi_{\nu-1} | C \cdot C | \phi_{\nu-1} \rangle = \langle \phi_\nu | \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a} | \phi_\nu \rangle = \langle \phi_\nu | \mathbf{N} | \phi_\nu \rangle = n \langle \phi_\nu | \phi_\nu \rangle$$

$$(|C|)^2 \langle \phi_{\nu-1} | \phi_{\nu-1} \rangle = n \langle \phi_\nu | \phi_\nu \rangle \quad \langle \phi_{\nu-1} | \phi_{\nu-1} \rangle = 1 \quad \langle \phi_\nu | \phi_\nu \rangle = 1$$

$$C = \sqrt{n}$$

$$C_1 |\phi_{\nu-1}\rangle = \mathbf{a}^\dagger |\phi_\nu\rangle$$

$$\langle \phi_{\nu-1} | C_1 \cdot C_1 | \phi_{\nu-1} \rangle = \langle \phi_\nu | \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \phi_\nu \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}$$

$$\langle \phi_{\nu-1} | C_1 \cdot C_1 | \phi_{\nu-1} \rangle = \langle \phi_\nu | \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}^\dagger | \phi_\nu \rangle = \langle \phi_\nu | (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger \cdot \mathbf{a}) | \phi_\nu \rangle = n \langle \phi_\nu | \phi_\nu \rangle$$

$$(|C_1|)^2 \langle \phi_{\nu-1} | \phi_{\nu-1} \rangle = \langle \phi_\nu | (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{N}) | \phi_\nu \rangle = (n+1) \langle \phi_\nu | \phi_\nu \rangle$$

$$|C_1| = \sqrt{n+1}$$

(Ladder operators)  $\mathbf{a} |\phi_n\rangle = \sqrt{n} |\phi_{n-1}\rangle$  annihilation operator (31.31)

$\mathbf{a}^\dagger |\phi_n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |\phi_{n+1}\rangle$  creation operator (31.32)

Consider the set of all vectors  $|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha_n |\phi_n\rangle)$  where the  $\alpha_n$  are complex numbers and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(|\alpha_n|)^2] < \infty$

It forms a linear space, that is the Hilbert space  $\mathbb{H}$  spanned by  $|\phi_n\rangle$

The space of all  $|\Psi\rangle$  for which

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(|\alpha_n|)^2 \cdot (n+1)^p] < \infty \quad p = 0, 1, 2, 3 \dots \infty$$

will be denoted by  $\Sigma$  (Schwartz space)  $\Sigma \subset \mathbb{H}$ .

All the operators representing observables can be defined on the whole space  $\Sigma$  but not on all  $\mathbb{H}$ .

All observables are functions of the operators  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{a}^\dagger$  given by (31.31) and (31.32) known for all  $|\Psi\rangle$ .

Calculation of the diagonal matrix elements:

$$\mathbf{H} = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \mathbf{H}_0 = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \left( \mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) \quad \mathbf{N} |\varphi_\nu\rangle = \nu |\varphi_\nu\rangle$$

$$\mathbf{H} |\phi_n\rangle = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \left( \mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) |\phi_n\rangle = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \left( \nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) |\phi_n\rangle$$

$$\langle \phi_\nu | \mathbf{H} | \phi_\nu \rangle = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \langle \phi_\nu | \left( \mathbf{N} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right) | \phi_\nu \rangle = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \left( \nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \langle \phi_\nu | \phi_\nu \rangle = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \left( \nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot (|\varphi_\nu\rangle)^2$$

$$E_\nu = \langle \phi_\nu | \mathbf{H} | \phi_\nu \rangle = \hbar \cdot \omega \cdot \left( \nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad (|\varphi_\nu\rangle)^2 = 1 \quad (31.33)$$

$$E_\nu = \Delta E \cdot \left( \nu + \frac{1}{2} \right) \quad \Delta E = \hbar \cdot \omega$$

the diagonal matrix elements are the possible energy values of the QM oscillator. One can excite the harmonic oscillator into any one of a discrete number of *states* described by  $|\phi_\nu\rangle$ , the system is in a mixture of states. The mixture can be described by the set of vectors  $|\phi_0\rangle, |\phi_1\rangle, |\phi_2\rangle, \dots, |\phi_\nu\rangle$  and a set of relative probabilities  $w_0, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n, \dots$  proportional to the height of the jump corresponding to the energy  $E_n$ .

$$\sum_n w_n = 1$$

In a collection of  $N$  elements (atoms, molecules,) the number of elements with energy  $E_n$  is  $N_n = w_n N$ .

If no excitation takes place, the harmonic oscillator is in the ground state described by  $|\phi_0\rangle$ , (See Frank & Hertz experiment). If there is only one state  $|\phi_{n0}\rangle$  then the quantum system is in a *pure state*  $|\phi_{n0}\rangle$  and the corresponding energy is the only one  $E_{n0}$ .

**II axiom.** A physical QM system characterized by a projection operator  $\mathbf{P}$  on a one-dimensional subspace  $\mathbf{P}\mathbb{H}$  is in a pure state.

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