

# Math 117 Course Description

## Classical and Statistical Mechanics, Spring 1994

- *Time and place:* MWF 1PM, Science Center 507.
- *Instructor:* Dror Bar-Natan, Science Center 426G, 5-8797, dror@math.
- *Office hours:* Wednesday 2-3PM and Friday 12-1PM.
- *Teaching fellow:* David Nowakowski, 3-6932.
- *Review sessions:* To be determined.
- *Textbooks:* Gelfand-Fomin's *Calculus of Variations* for the first few weeks; about the rest we'll see later.
- *Goal:* Discuss some of the physics that every mathematician should know, from the point of view of a mathematician. (I wish I could give a course on *all* the physics that every mathematician should know, but I don't know enough physics for that.) There will be some over-emphasis of subjects that I want to understand better by the end of the course.
- *Intended for:* Math majors and beginning math graduate students.
- *Tentative course plan:* (it is *conceivable* that we will actually follow it)

	M	W	F	Topics
Feb		2	4	Introduction: path integrals, $F=ma$ , the Fourier semigroup,
		7	9	11 the EPR paradox, Maxwell's equations.
		14	16	18 The first few chapters of Gelfand-Fomin: Euler's equation,
		XX	23	25 constrains, Nother's theorem, Hamilton's equations, second
Mar		28	2	4 variations.
		7	9	11
		14	16	18 The last chapter of Bamberg-Sternberg - entropy, temperature,
		21	23	25 thermodynamics, statistical mechanics.
Apr	XX	XX	XX	(Spring recess - no classes)
		4	6	8
		11	13	15 A little on quantum mechanics - the uncertainty principle,
		18	20	22 quantum probability, the hydrogen atom.
		25	27	29 Very little on quantum field theory - an introduction
May		2	4	6 to perturbation theory via the Chern-Simons example.
		9	11	13 Reading period - I plan to finish everything before that,
		16	18	but plans are there only so that they can be changed later.

- *Prerequisites:* Differential forms and Stokes' theorem (math 22, 25-55 or math 134 should do), really understanding diagonalization of matrices, having heard of Hilbert spaces and linear operators on them, and no fear of ODEs.
- *Homework* will be assigned weekly and be due the following week.
- *Grading:* Two midterms, homework, and a final. Dates and weights will be announced later on.

# INFORMATION SHEET FOR MATH 117

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In short, what did you think of class today? (too fast, too slow, too high, too low, ...)

What happens to a particle in a quantum harmonic oscillator  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  seconds after it was thrown in?

Of course, the above question is not particularly interesting. Luckily, while deriving the answer to that question we will pass by few of the most fundamental ideas in physics, the key one being the idea of integration over infinite dimensional spaces, which is central to quantum field theory. To my understanding, quantum field theory might as well be considered as a part of mathematics exceptional in not being completely rigorous, but yet, deep elegant and powerful. So our real purpose here is to see a very simple but yet essential idea of the basic ideas of quantum field theory.

Not everything along the way will be accurate and rigorous although the discussion below can be made completely so. The reasons for that are lack of time, and as the greater part of QFT is non-rigorous anyway, also lack of motivation. And last comment - few of the expressions further down are going to look pretty horrible, but the end result will be neat, familiar, and maybe a bit unexpected.

The question: Let the complex valued function  $\Psi = \Psi(t, x)$  be a solution of the schrodinger equation

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -i \left( -\frac{1}{2} \Delta_x + \frac{1}{2} x^2 \right) \Psi \quad \text{with } \Psi|_{t=0} = \Psi_0$$

What is  $\Psi|_{t=T=\pi/2}$ ?

In fact, big part of our discussion will work just as well for the general schrodinger equation -

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -iH\Psi, \quad H = -\frac{1}{2}\Delta_x + V(x), \quad \Psi|_{t=0} = \Psi_0, \quad T \text{ arbitrary.}$$

$\Psi$  - "the wave function",  $|\Psi(t,x)|^2$  is the probability of finding our particle at time  $t$  in position  $x$ .

$H$  - "the Hamiltonian", "the evolution operator".

$-\frac{1}{2}\Delta_x$  - "kinetic energy term".

$V(x)$  - "the potential at a point  $x$ ".

### Solution:

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -iH\Psi, \quad \Psi|_{t=0} = \Psi_0 \text{ implies formally:}$$

$$\Psi(T,x) = (e^{-iTH} \Psi_0)(x) = (e^{i\frac{T}{2}\Delta - iTV} \Psi_0)(x) =$$

by aside 1, with  $n = 10^{58} + 17$ , and for convenience set  $x_n = x$

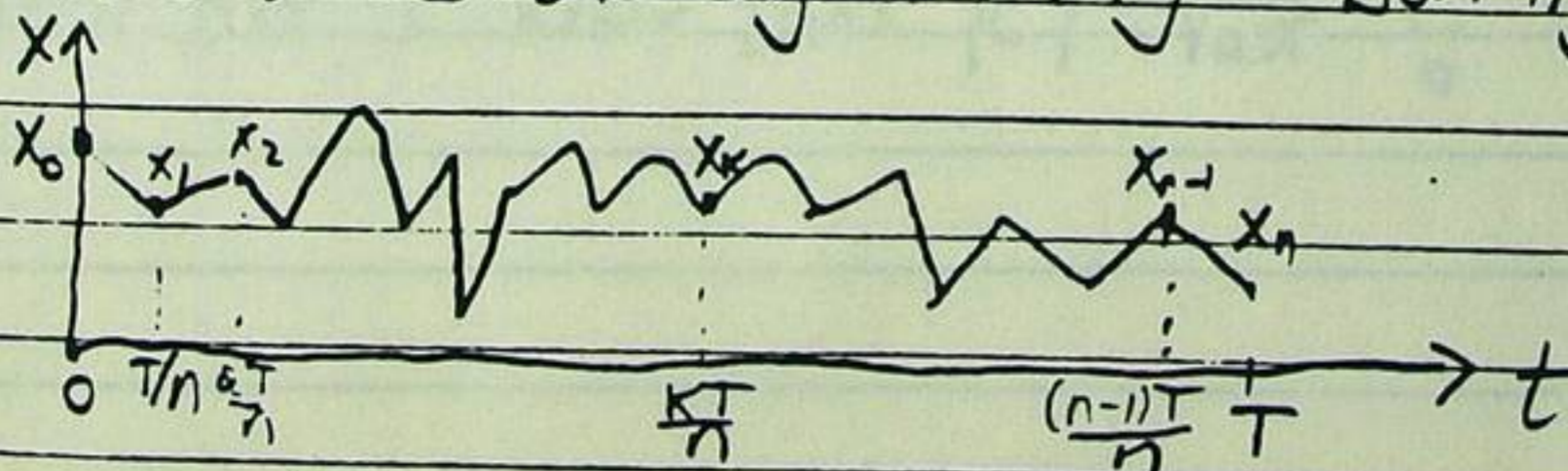
$$= (e^{i\frac{T}{2n}\Delta - i\frac{T}{n}V} \cdot e^{i\frac{T}{2n}\Delta - i\frac{T}{n}V} \cdot \dots \cdot e^{i\frac{T}{2n}\Delta - i\frac{T}{n}V} \Psi_0)(x_n) =$$

$$= C \cdot \int dx_{n-1} e^{i\frac{(x_n - x_{n-1})^2}{2T/n} - i\frac{T}{n}V(x_{n-1})} \int dx_{n-2} e^{i\frac{(x_{n-1} - x_{n-2})^2}{2T/n} - i\frac{T}{n}V(x_{n-2})} \dots$$

$$\dots \int dx_0 e^{i\frac{(x_1 - x_0)^2}{2T/n} - i\frac{T}{n}V(x_0)} \Psi_0(x_0) =$$

$$= C \cdot \int dx_0 \dots dx_{n-1} \exp\left(i\frac{T}{2n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{x_k - x_{k-1}}{T/n}\right)^2 - i\frac{T}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} V(x_k)\right) \cdot \Psi(x_0) =$$

Now here comes the big novelty - bearing in mind the picture



we can write

$$\cong C \int dx_0 \int_{\mathcal{D}x} \exp\left(i \int_0^T dt \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2(t) - V(x(t))\right)\right) \Psi(x_0) =$$

$$\mathcal{D}x = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x(0) = x_0, x(T) = x_n \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= c \int dx_0 \psi(x_0) \int_{W_{x_0, x_1}} \mathcal{D}X \exp(i\mathcal{L}(X)) =$$

Let  $x_c$  be the minimum point of  $\mathcal{L}(x)$ , write  $x = x_c + x_q$  and get

$$= c \int dx_0 \psi(x_0) \int_{W_{x_0}} \mathcal{D}X_q \exp(i\mathcal{L}(x_c + x_q)) =$$

In our particular case, using aside 4, we get

$$= c \int dx_0 \psi(x_0) \int_{W_{x_0}} \mathcal{D}X_q \exp(i\mathcal{L}(x_c) + i\mathcal{L}(x_q)) =$$

The path integral is now independent of  $x_0$ , and so it factors out. Therefore

$$= c' \int dx_0 \psi(x_0) e^{i\mathcal{L}(x_c)} =$$

in our case, with  $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$= c' \int dx_0 \psi(x_0) \exp(i \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (x_1 \sin t + x_0 \cos t) \right]^2 - \frac{1}{2} (x_1 \sin t + x_0 \cos t)^2 dt) =$$

$$= c' \int dx_0 \psi(x_0) \exp(-i x_0 x_1)$$

So how do I know that  $|c| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$  ?

Aside 1: IF A and B are matrices, then

$$e^{A+B} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{A/n} e^{B/n})^n$$

Proof Just expand both sides as power series, and use some combinatorics to compare the coefficients. For a smoother proof see Glimm-Jaffe page 47. Slightly cheating what they say is that

$$e^{A/n} = e^A e^B \text{ to } \frac{\text{const}}{n^2} \text{ (trivial)}$$

and so

$$(e^{A/n})^n = (e^A e^B)^n \text{ to } \frac{\text{const}}{n}$$

Aside 2:  $(e^{itV} \psi_0)(x) = e^{itV(x)} \psi_0(x)$  - Trivial

Aside 3:  $(e^{i\frac{t}{2}\Delta} \psi_0)(x) = c \cdot \int dx' e^{i\frac{(x-x')^2}{2t}} \psi_0(x')$

Proof: In fact, the left hand side is just the solution  $\psi(t, x)$  of Schrödinger's equation with  $V=0$ :

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = i\frac{1}{2}\Delta_x \psi \quad \psi|_{t=0} = \psi_0$$

Taking Fourier transform  $\tilde{\psi}(t, p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{-ixp} \psi(t, x) dx$ :

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\psi}}{\partial t} = -i\frac{p^2}{2} \tilde{\psi} \quad \tilde{\psi}|_{t=0} = \tilde{\psi}_0$$

For a fixed p, this is just a trivial ordinary differential equation with respect to t, and thus:

$$\tilde{\psi}(t, p) = e^{-i\frac{tp^2}{2}} \tilde{\psi}_0(p)$$

Taking inverse Fourier transform, which takes products to convolutions and Gaussians to Gaussians, we get Q.E.D.

### Aside 4 Determining the minimum point of $\mathcal{L}(x)$ on $W_{x_0, x_1}$ :

If  $x_c$  is the minimum point in  $W_{x_0, x_1}$ , then for arbitrary  $x_q \in W_{0,0}$  there will be no term in

$$\mathcal{L}(x_c + \epsilon x_q)$$

which is linear in  $\epsilon$ . Now

$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \int_0^T dt \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2(t) - V(x(t)) \right)$$

so using  $V(x_c + \epsilon x_q) \approx V(x_c) + \epsilon x_q V'(x_c)$ , we get that the linear term in  $\epsilon$  in  $\mathcal{L}(x_c + \epsilon x_q)$  is

$$\int_0^T dt (\dot{x}_c \cdot \dot{x}_q - V'(x_c) \cdot x_q) =$$

integrating by parts and using  $x_q(0) = x_q(T) = 0$ :

$$= \int_0^T dt (-\ddot{x}_c - V'(x_c)) \cdot x_q$$

For this integral to vanish independently of  $x_q$ , we must have  $-\ddot{x}_c - V'(x_c) \equiv 0$ , or

$$\ddot{x}_c = -V'(x_c). \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{The famous } F=ma \text{ of Newton!} \\ \text{we have just rediscovered the} \\ \text{Principle of least action!} \end{array} \right)$$

In our very particular case  $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$  we get:

$$\ddot{x}_c = -x_c, \quad x_c(0) = x_0, \quad x_c\left(\frac{T}{2}\right) = x_1$$

and therefore:

$$x_c(t) = x_1 \sin t + x_0 \cos t$$

Math 117, 2/2/94.

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First Snapshot:

"what happens to a particle in a 1-D quantum harmonic oscillator  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  seconds after it was thrown in"

$\Psi_0(x)$  complex valued "Wave Function"

$|\Psi_0(x)|^2$  - prob. of finding P at x.

$$\int |\Psi(x)|^2 dx = 1$$

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$$T = \frac{\pi}{2}, \Psi_T(x_T) = \int dx_0 \int \mathcal{D}x e^{i\mathcal{L}(x)} =$$

$w(x_0, x_T) | x: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$x(0) = x_0; x(T) = x_T$

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \text{"The Lagrangian"} = \int_0^T \left( \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2(t)}_{\text{kin}} - \underbrace{V(x(t))}_{\text{pot}} \right) dt$$

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"The Joy of  $\pi$ "  
by M. Spivak.

# WHAT EVERY YOUNG MATHEMATICIAN SHOULD KNOW

BY LORD K. ELVIN

ABSTRACT. We evaluate an interesting definite integral.

The purpose of this paper is to call attention to a result of which many mathematicians seem to be ignorant.

**THEOREM.** *The value of  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$  is*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi}.$$

**PROOF:** We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \right)^2 &= \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx \right) \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-y^2} dy \right) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} e^{-y^2} dx dy && \text{by Fubini} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r^2} r dr d\theta && \text{using polar coordinates} \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r^2} r dr \right] d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ -\frac{e^{-r^2}}{2} \Big|_{r=0}^{r=\infty} \right] d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \right] d\theta \\ &= \pi. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark:* A mathematician is one to whom *that* is as obvious as that twice two makes four is to you.

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# A little About the Fourier Transform

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**Definition 1** Let  $f$  be an integrable function on  $\mathbf{R}$ . Define its Fourier transform  $\tilde{f}$  by:

$$\tilde{f}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ipx} f(x) dx.$$

**Theorem 1** (The Fourier inversion theorem) One can reconstruct  $f$  from  $\tilde{f}$  using:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ipx} \tilde{f}(p) dp.$$

**Remark** Notice that it follows that  $\tilde{\tilde{f}}(x) = f(-x)$  and that  $\tilde{\tilde{\tilde{f}}} = f$ .

**Fact** Let  $f_{\sigma}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma}}$ . Then  $\tilde{f}_{\sigma}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\sigma p^2}{2}}$ .

**Claim 1** If  $f(x) = g(x - x_0)$  then  $\tilde{f}(p) = e^{-ipx_0} \tilde{g}(p)$ .

**Claim 2** If  $f(x) = e^{ip_0x} g(x)$ , then  $\tilde{f}(p) = \tilde{g}(p - p_0)$ .

**Definition 2** The convolution of two functions  $f$  and  $g$  is defined by:

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy f(x - y)g(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy f(y)g(x - y).$$

**Claim 3**  $\widetilde{f * g} = \sqrt{2\pi} \tilde{f} \tilde{g}$  and  $\widetilde{fg} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \tilde{f} * \tilde{g}$ .

**Remark** Pick  $g = f_{\sigma}$  and you can prove the Fourier inversion theorem!!

**Claim 4**  $\tilde{f}'(p) = ip\tilde{f}(p)$  and  $xf(x) = i\frac{d}{dp}\tilde{f}$ .

**Problems:**

1. Compute the Fourier transform of the function  $\chi$  defined by  $\chi(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

2. Compute the convolution  $\chi * \chi$ .

3. Check that indeed  $\widetilde{\chi * \chi} = \sqrt{2\pi} \tilde{\chi} \cdot \tilde{\chi}$ .

4. Prove the *Plancherel identity*: Let  $f$  be a complex-valued function on  $\mathbf{R}$ .

(a) Let  $g(x) = \overline{f(-x)}$ . Prove that  $\tilde{g}(p) = \overline{\tilde{f}(p)}$ .

(b) Evaluate  $(f * g)(0)$  and  $(\tilde{f}\tilde{g})(0)$  and deduce that

$$\int |f(x)|^2 dx = \int |\tilde{f}(p)|^2 dp.$$

(c) in what sense is the Plancherel identity a variation of the famous theorem of Pythagoras?

More information can be found in any standard analysis book, such as Rudin's *Functional Analysis* or *Real and Complex Analysis*.

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Introduce David Nowakowski; let him distribute his handout.

Vote regarding HW.

Reminder:

$$\Psi_T(x_T) = \int_{x_0} dx_0 \Psi(x_0) \int_{\text{all paths } x \text{ from } x_0 \text{ to } x_T} \mathcal{D}x e^{i\mathcal{L}(x)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \int_0^T \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 - V(x) \right)$$

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^2$$

minimized  $\mathcal{L}(x)$ ; min  $x_c$  satisfied  $\ddot{x}_c = -V(x)$  ( $F=ma$ )

Finish this example. Why is  $c = \sqrt{2\pi}$ ?

A few words on the Fourier transform:

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How is it going in general?

Date:

# Math 117 - HW assignment #1

Feb 7, 1994  
due Feb 14, 1994

1a. Compute the Fourier transform of the function  $\chi$  defined

$$\text{by } \chi(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & |x| < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- b. Compute the convolution  $\chi * \chi$ .  
c. Verify that indeed  $\widehat{\chi * \chi} = \sqrt{2\pi} \tilde{\chi} \cdot \tilde{\chi}$

2. Prove the "Plancherel identity": Let  $f$  be a complex valued function on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

a. Let  $g(x) = \overline{f(-x)}$ . Prove that  $\tilde{g}(p) = \tilde{f}(p)$

b. Evaluate  $(f * g)(0)$  and  $(\tilde{f} \tilde{g})(0)$  and deduce that

$$\int |f(x)|^2 dx = \int |\tilde{f}(p)|^2 dp$$

c. In what sense is the Plancherel identity a variation of the Pythagoras theorem?

3a. Check (using path integrals & the tricks used in class) that

$$\Psi(T, X) = C_T \int dx_0 \Psi_0(x_0) \cdot e^{\frac{i}{2\sin T} (x_0^2 + X^2) \cos T - 2x_0 X}$$

where the constant  $C_T$  depends only on  $T$ . ( $T \neq \frac{\pi}{2} + k\pi$ )

b. Why is  $C_T = (\pi(1 - e^{2iT}))^{1/2}$ ?

c. Check that  $\Psi(T, X)$  satisfies Schrödinger's eqn:

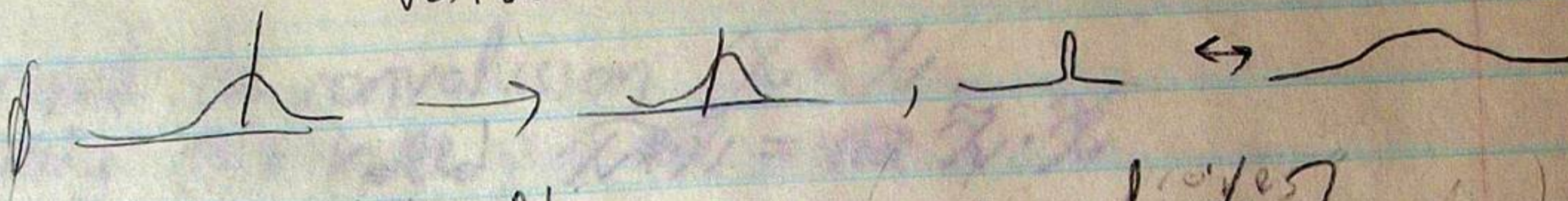
$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial T} = -i \left( -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial X^2} + \frac{1}{2} X^2 \Psi \right)$$

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$$\left( \begin{array}{l} Q(0) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow Q(x+x_0) = Q(x) + Q(x_0) \end{array} \right)$$

Remind  $\tilde{f}$ ; write inversion formula.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} - ipx} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( \frac{x+ip\sigma^2}{\sigma} \right)^2 - \frac{\sigma p^2}{2}} dx = e^{-\frac{\sigma p^2}{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}} du = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\sigma p^2}{2}}$$

i.e. 

Comment How would you measure velocity?

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \ddot{x} = -x \\ \text{ma} \quad F \end{array} \Rightarrow x\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = \dot{x}(0) \text{ check that!} \right)$$

The Heisenberg uncertainty principle!

on same grounds, expect  $\tilde{\psi}(x) = -x$  (Follows from inversion formula)

6. Props of Fourier

1.  $f(x) = g(x-x_0) \Rightarrow \tilde{f}(p) = e^{-ipx_0} \tilde{g}$

2.  $f(x) = e^{ip_0 x} g(x) \Rightarrow \tilde{f}(p) = \tilde{g}(p-p_0)$

3.  $\tilde{f}'(p) = ip \tilde{f}(p)$

4.  $x f(x) = i \frac{d}{dp} \tilde{f}$

5.  $f * g = \sqrt{2\pi} \tilde{f} \tilde{g}$

6.  $\tilde{f} \tilde{g} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} f * g$

used in proving inversion formula

used in diff EQ's

used below

Example: compute  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(T, x) \Big|_{T=0}$

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Ref: Feynman & Hibbs  
 Any analysis back  
 Comment on Fourier series.

1. The semigroup.

$$(U_T \Psi)(x) = \Psi \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{PI. with } T \\ \text{replacing } \pi/2 \end{array} \& \Psi \text{ replacing } \Psi_0 \right) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{computable} \\ \text{in our case} \end{array} \right) !$$

claim  $U_{T_2} U_{T_1} \Psi = U_{T_1 + T_2} \Psi$  Topological QFT.

2.  $\Psi(T, x) = (U_T \Psi)(x)$ ; what is  $\frac{\partial \Psi(T, x)}{\partial T}$ ?

First, at  $T=0$

$$\Psi(0, x) \sim e^{-iEV(x)} \int dy \Psi_0(y) e^{\frac{i(x-y)^2}{2\epsilon}} \sim e^{-iEV(x)} \Psi_0 * F^{-1} e^{-\frac{i\epsilon p^2}{2}}$$

$$\Psi(\epsilon, x) \sim e^{-iEV(x)} F^{-1} \left( \tilde{\Psi}_0 \cdot F \frac{1}{i\epsilon} \right) \sim e^{-iEV(x)} F^{-1} \left( \tilde{\Psi}_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{i\epsilon p^2}{2}} \right)$$

$$\sim (1 - iEV(x)) F^{-1} \left( \Psi_0 \left( 1 - \frac{i\epsilon p^2}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$\sim \tilde{\Psi}_0(x) - iEV(x) \Psi_0(x) + i\epsilon \frac{\partial^2}{2 \partial x^2} \Psi$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial T} = -iH\Psi \quad ; \quad H\Psi = \left( -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V \right) \Psi$$

"Schrödinger equation"



Reading  
p. 1000

Math 226, Apr 27 1992

The principle of least action  $\dot{Q} = \frac{d}{dt} Q$

$$\text{minimize } S[q] = \int_a^b \left( \frac{1}{2} m \dot{q}^2 - V(q(t)) \right) dt$$

Use  $q \rightarrow q + \delta q$ , assume  $\delta q$  is such that  $\delta q^2 \approx 0$

These are Newton's equations!

The relativistic case. Remember  $\left\langle \begin{pmatrix} t_1 \\ x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} t_2 \\ x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle = t_1 t_2 - x_1 x_2 - y_1 y_2 - z_1 z_2$

$$\text{minimize } S[q] = \int_a^b \frac{1}{2} m |\dot{q}|^2 ds - eA$$

A is the "vector potential"

$$\dot{Q} = \frac{d}{ds} Q$$

$$S(q + \delta q) = S(q) + \int_a^b m \langle \dot{q}, \delta \dot{q} \rangle ds - e \int_s dA =$$

$$= S(q) + \int_a^b m \langle \dot{q}''', \delta \dot{q} \rangle - e \int_s dA$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \delta q, \quad -m \langle \dot{q}''', \delta \dot{q} \rangle - e dA(\delta q, \dot{q}') = 0$$

might as well assume

$$dA = E_x dx^1 dt + E_y dy^1 dt + E_z dz^1 dt + B_x dy^1 dz + B_y dz^1 dx + B_z dx^1 dy$$

$$\dot{q}' = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \dot{q}'_x \\ \dot{q}'_y \\ \dot{q}'_z \end{pmatrix} d\dot{q} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \delta \dot{q}'_x \\ \delta \dot{q}'_y \\ \delta \dot{q}'_z \end{pmatrix}$$

Get:

$$0 = m \dot{q}''_x \delta \dot{q}'_x + \dots - e \left( E_x \delta \dot{q}'_x + E_y \delta \dot{q}'_y + E_z \delta \dot{q}'_z + B_x (\dot{q}'_y \dot{q}'_z - \dot{q}'_z \dot{q}'_y) + B_y (\dot{q}'_z \dot{q}'_x - \dot{q}'_x \dot{q}'_z) + \dots \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow m \dot{q}'' = e (E + \dot{q}' \times B) \quad \checkmark$$

Math 22b, Apr 29 1992.

Remind of P.L.A,  $\int_a^b \frac{1}{2} m |v|^2 ds - eA, dA = E dx^1 dt + \dots$   
 $Bx dy^1 dz^1 + \dots$

$\Rightarrow m \dot{q}^i = e(E + \dot{q}^j \times B)$

Two props: 1.  $\int W^1 d\sigma = -(-1)^{\deg W} \int (dW)^1 \sigma$  if  $W, \sigma$  vanish away from sight  
 2.  $W^1 * \sigma = \sigma^1 * W$  if  $W, \sigma$  are of equal degs

E&M is  $S(A) = \int \left[ \frac{1}{2} (dA^1 * dA) + J^1 A \right]$  ! orient like  
1-form K^1 this is better Thru form + x J z

$0 = \int d(A^1 * dA) + J^1 A = \int (dA^1 * dA + J^1 A) = \int -dA^1 * dA + J^1 A = \int (J - dA^1 * dA)^1 A$

$\Rightarrow d * dA = J$  write  $dA = F$ , eqn's are

$\left. \begin{matrix} dF = 0 \\ d * F = J \end{matrix} \right\}$  Maxwell's equations

$F = E_x dx^1 dt + \dots + B_x dy^1 dz^1 + \dots$   $J = \rho dx^1 dy^1 dz^1 - j_x dy^1 dz^1 dt - \dots$   
 $= \lambda_E^1 dt + * \lambda_B$

$dF = \begin{cases} dx^1 dy^1 dz^1: & d^{(2)} * \lambda_B = 0 \Rightarrow \text{div } B = 0 \Rightarrow \text{no magnetic monopoles.} \\ dy^1 dz^1 dt: & \partial_y E_z - \partial_z E_y + \partial_t B_x = 0 \Rightarrow \text{curl } E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \Rightarrow \text{Varying magnetic field creates a circulation of the Electric field.} \end{cases}$

$*F = -\lambda_B^1 dt + *^{(3)} \lambda_E$

this is where Lorentz comes in

$d * F = J \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{div } E = \rho & \text{The flux of } E \text{ leaving } = \text{charge ins.} \\ \text{curl } B = \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + j & \text{The famous Maxwell term!} \end{cases}$

1. understand how Lorentz trans. act
2. know how to combine with G.R.
3. ~~More~~ More elegant  $\Rightarrow$  better apps in future  
 This indeed holds!

508-6  
1. AHS source for QM: Sakurai Modern QM

Math 117, Feb 11 1994

Poincaré's Lemma

Exterior algebra; diff forms;  $d; d^2=0$ ; Leibniz's rule.  
the  $*$  operator by  
$$W \wedge * \sigma = \langle W, \sigma \rangle dx^1 \dots dx^n$$

Example:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \Omega^0 & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^1 & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^2 & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^3 \\ \{F\} & & \{\lambda F\} & & \{*\lambda F\} & & \{*F\} \end{array}$$

Two probs: continue as in Math 226 Apr 29 1992

(Continued on Feb 14 1994)

# Math 117 - HW assignment #2

Feb 14 1994  
due Feb 21 1994

1. Re-derive Maxwell's equations from the action principle, only this time using the correct space time metric

$$\| \begin{pmatrix} t \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \|^2 = t^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2$$

2. Figure out how a Lorentz transformation, such as

$$\begin{pmatrix} t \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \mu & \sinh \mu & 0 & 0 \\ \sinh \mu & \cosh \mu & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

acts on the electric and magnetic fields  $E$  &  $B$ .

3. Express the action  $S$  in terms of  $E$  &  $B$ .

4. Solve the free Schrödinger equation

$$i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = H \Psi \quad ; \quad H \Psi = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} \quad ; \quad \Psi(0, x) = e^{ipx}$$

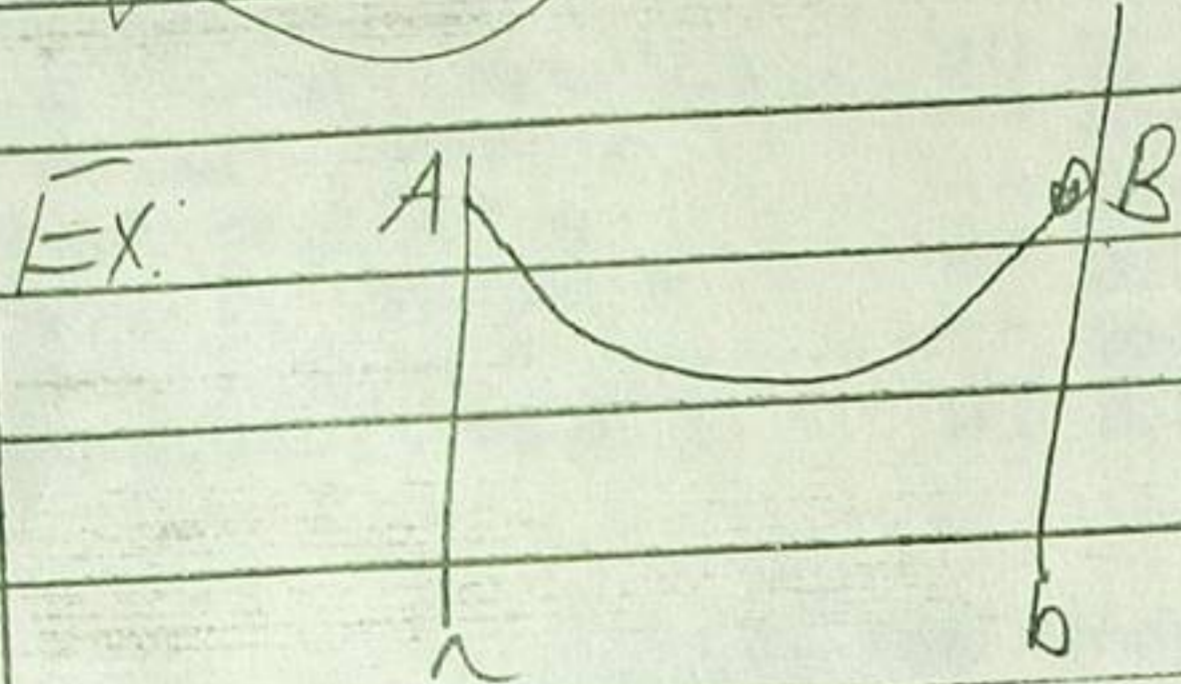
and explain your results in physical terms.

Math 115, Nov 27 1991.

I have an extra book!

minimize a functional  $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

(possibly subject to constraints)



$$F = \int_a^b m y \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$

constraint:  $I = \int dx \sqrt{1+y'^2}$

bdry:  $y(a) = A \quad y(b) = B$

derive Euler Lagrange:  $F_y - \frac{d}{dx} F_{y'} = 0$   
 (by adding  $eh$ ,  $h(y) = h(b) = 0$ )

- 1.  $F$  indep. of  $y$   $F_{y'} = \text{const}$
- " " "  $F_y = 0$
- $F$  indep. of  $x$ :

$$0 = F_y - (F_{y'})' = F_y - F_{y'} y' y'' - F_{y'y'} y'' = 0 \quad / \cdot y'$$

$$\Rightarrow y F_y - F_{y'} y'^2 - F_{y'y'} y'' y' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} (F - y' F_{y'}) = 0 \Rightarrow F - y' F_{y'} = \text{const.}$$

In our case  $y \sqrt{1+y'^2} - y' \frac{y y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = C$

$$\Rightarrow y'^2 = \frac{y^2 - C^2}{C^2} \Rightarrow y = C \cosh \frac{x-C}{C}$$

what's wrong here?

HW: read 1-4 Do  $\square$  explicitly, 1.11, 156, 16

Math 117, Feb 16 1994

Reminder:  $\min S(A) = \frac{1}{2} \int (|dA|^2 + J \cdot A)$  got Maxwell's eqns.

Learned:  $\nabla \cdot J = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = \text{div } j$   
(charge conservation)

Advantages:

1. understand how Lorentz's trans. act.
2. know how to combine w/ G.R.
3. More elegant  $\Rightarrow$  More advantages; easier to generalize,

Then follow math 115, Nov 27 1991

Math 115, Dec 2/1991.

Return Exams: 80+ A 60+ B 40+ C

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Review:  $J[y] = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx$   $y(a) = A; y(b) = B$

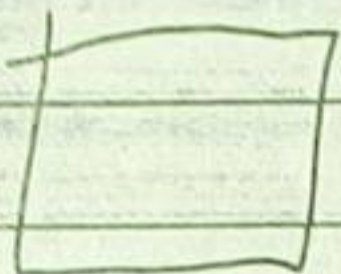
$F_y - \frac{d}{dx} F_{y'} = 0$  (Euler Lagrange)

Hw:  
 $F = y'$   
 $F = xyy'$   
 $F = (y')^2/x^3$

Power lines:  $F = y\sqrt{1+y'^2}$  (EL is too hard)

If F is indep of x:

$0 = F_y - F_{y'y'} y' - F_{y'y''} y''$  /  $y'$   
 $y' F_y - F_{y'y'} y'^2 - F_{y'y''} y'' y' = 0$



$(F - y' F_{y'})' = 0 \Rightarrow F - y' F_{y'} = C_1$

$\frac{dy}{dx} = g(y) \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{g(y)} = dx \Rightarrow \int \frac{dy}{g(y)} = x + C_2$

Our case:  $y\sqrt{1+y'^2} - y' \frac{yy'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = C_1$

$y \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = C_1$   $\sqrt{1+y'^2} = \frac{y}{C_1}$

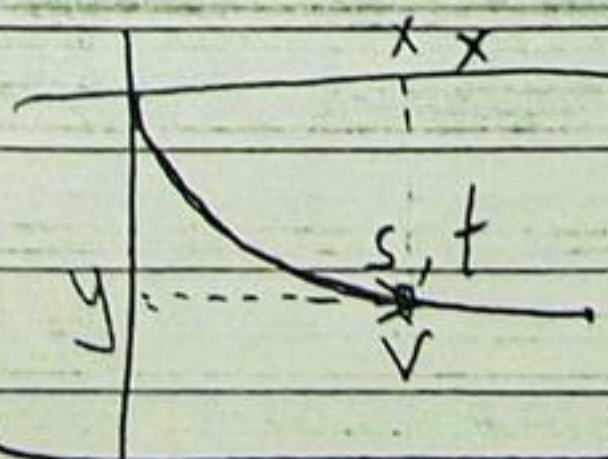
$y' = \sqrt{1 - \frac{y^2}{C_1^2}}$

$C_1 \int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{y^2}{C_1^2}}} = x + C_2 \Rightarrow C_1 \cdot \cosh^{-1} \frac{y}{C_1} = x + C_2$

$y = C_1 \cosh \frac{x + C_2}{C_1}$

If time, generalities about gradients & Free ends.

The Brachistochrone:



$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = gy$

$ds = v dt$

$ds = \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2}$

$\int ds = \dots$

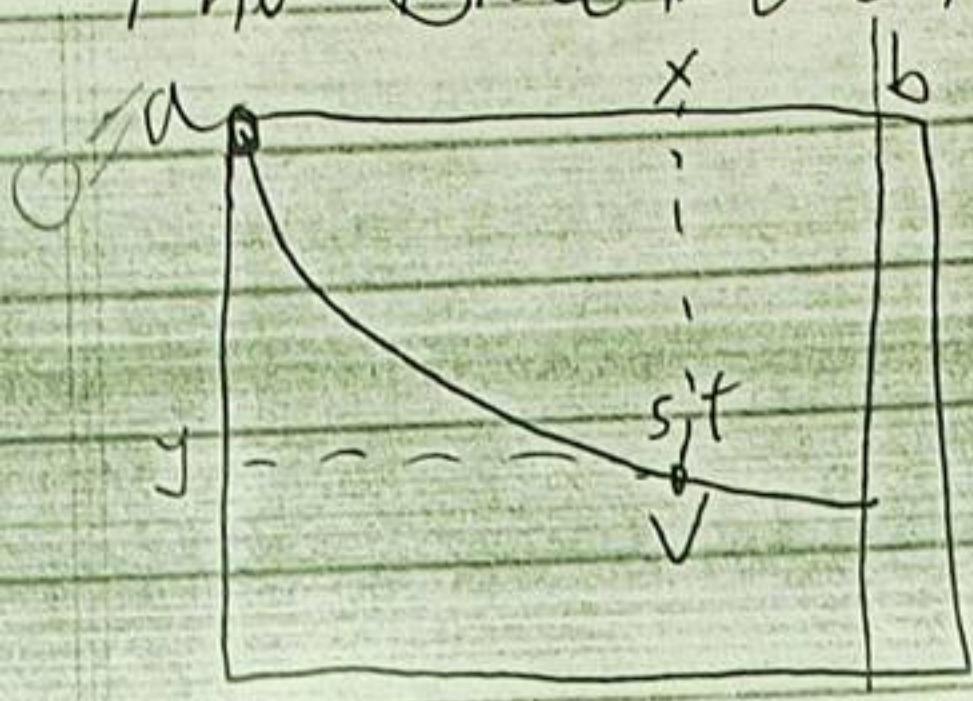
H.W.: redo  $\square$  for 1.  $F = y\sqrt{1+y'^2}$   
 & 2.  $F = \frac{\sqrt{1+y'^2}}{y}$

\* solve EL for 2.

do 15a, 6b or 20 if time permitted

Math 115, Dec 4 1991

The Brachistochrone:



$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = gy$$

$$ds = v dt$$

$$ds = \sqrt{x^2 + dy^2} = \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx$$

$$\int dt \dots$$

$$J[y] = \int \sqrt{\frac{1+y'^2}{y}} dx$$

Conditions:  $y(0) = 0$

$$F_y|_b = 0$$

$$F - y'F_y = C_1$$

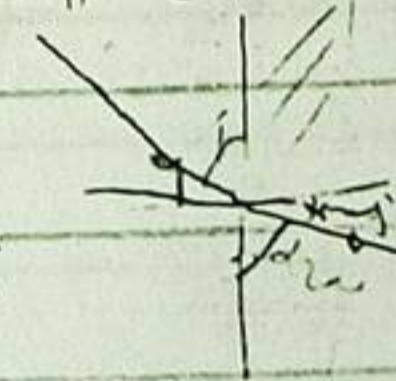
derive by first doing a finite dim analog.

$$F - y'F_y = \sqrt{\frac{1+y'^2}{y}} - y' \frac{y'}{\sqrt{(1+y'^2)y}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y(1+y'^2)}} = C_1^{1/2}$$

$$y(1+y'^2) = C_1$$

$$y' = \sqrt{\frac{C_1}{y} - 1} \quad \frac{dy}{\sqrt{\frac{C_1}{y} - 1}} = dx$$

Snell's law:



$$\frac{v_1}{\sin \alpha_1} = \frac{v_2}{\sin \alpha_2}$$

$$\frac{v}{\sin \alpha} = \text{const}$$

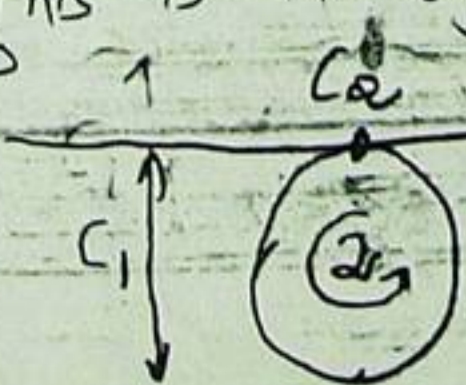
$$v = \sqrt{y} \quad \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}}$$

$$x - c_2 = \int \sqrt{\frac{y}{C_1 - y}} dy \quad \dots \quad \text{in principle soluble, in practice hard}$$

trick:  $\Rightarrow y = C_1 \sin^2 t = \frac{C_1}{2}(1 - \cos 2t) \quad dy = \dots$

$$x = C_2 + \frac{C_1}{2}(2t - \sin 2t)$$

This is the cycloid



center =  $(\frac{c_2 + C_1}{2}, \frac{C_1}{2})$

disp =  $\frac{C_1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \sin t \\ -\cos t \end{pmatrix}$

$$F_y = 0 \Rightarrow y' = 0$$

problem solved!

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = 0; \quad \text{at } t = \pi \quad b = \frac{C_1}{2}\pi$$

HW: 1. complete details  
2. read 6 3. Do 18, 20, 21



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In[1]:= << Calculus'VariationalMethods'

In[2]:= << Calculus'DSolve'

In[3]:= F=Sqrt[(1+y'[x]^2)/y[x]]

$$\text{Out[3]} = \text{Sqrt}\left[\frac{1 + y'[x]^2}{y[x]}\right]$$

In[4]:= EulerEquations[F,y[x],x]

$$\text{Out[4]} = \frac{-(1 + y'[x]^2 + 2 y[x] y''[x])}{2 y[x]^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \frac{1 + y'[x]^2}{y[x]^3/2}$$

In[5]:= DSolve[%,y,x]

Solve::tdep: The equations appear to involve transcendental functions of the variables in an essentially non-algebraic way.

$$\text{Out[5]} = \left( \text{Solve}\left[\frac{\text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{1 - y C[1]}{y \sqrt{C[1]}}\right] (-1 + 2 y C[1])}{2 \sqrt{C[1]} (-1 + y C[1])} + \frac{1 - y C[1]}{y \sqrt{C[1]}} = C[2] + \#1, y\right], \text{Sqrt}[C[1]]\right)$$

$$> \frac{1 - y C[1]}{y \sqrt{C[1]}} = C[2] + \#1, y), \text{Sqrt}[C[1]]$$

$$> \text{Solve}\left[\frac{-\text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{1 - y C[1]}{y \sqrt{C[1]}}\right] (-1 + 2 y C[1])}{2 \sqrt{C[1]} (-1 + y C[1])} - \frac{1 - y C[1]}{y \sqrt{C[1]}} = C[2] + \#1, y\right], \text{Sqrt}[C[1]]$$

> C[2] + #1, y)

In[6]:= FirstIntegrals[F,y[x],x]

$$\text{Out[6]} = \left(-\left(\frac{1}{y[x] \sqrt{\frac{1 + y'[x]^2}{y[x]}}}\right)\right)$$

In[7]:= DSolve[First[%]==c1,y,x]

Solve::tdep: The equations appear to involve transcendental functions of the variables in an essentially non-algebraic way.

$$\text{Out[7]} = \left(\text{Solve}\left[\frac{\text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{2 c1 (-1 + c1^2 y)}{y \sqrt{\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y}}}\right]}{c1} - \frac{\text{Sqrt}\left[\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y}\right] (-1 + 2 c1^2 y)}{2 c1} = \#1 == C[1], y\right], \text{Solve}\left[\frac{\text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y \sqrt{\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y}}}\right]}{c1} + \frac{\text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{2 c1 (-1 + c1^2 y)}{y \sqrt{\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y}}}\right]}{\text{Sqrt}\left[\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y}\right] (-1 + 2 c1^2 y)} = \#1 == C[1], y\right]$$

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$$> \frac{\text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{2 c1 (-1 + c1^2 y)}{y \sqrt{\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y}}}\right]}{\text{Sqrt}\left[\frac{1 - c1^2 y}{y}\right] (-1 + 2 c1^2 y)} - \#1 == C[1], y)$$

In[8]:= Integrate[Sqrt[y/(c1-y)],y]

$$\text{Out[8]} = \text{Sqrt}\left[\frac{y}{-c1 + y}\right] (-c1 + y) - \frac{c1 \text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{(c1 - 2 y) \sqrt{\frac{y}{-c1 + y}}}{2 y}\right]}{2 y}$$

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1. Correct last class's example.

2. Do math 115, Dec 4 1991

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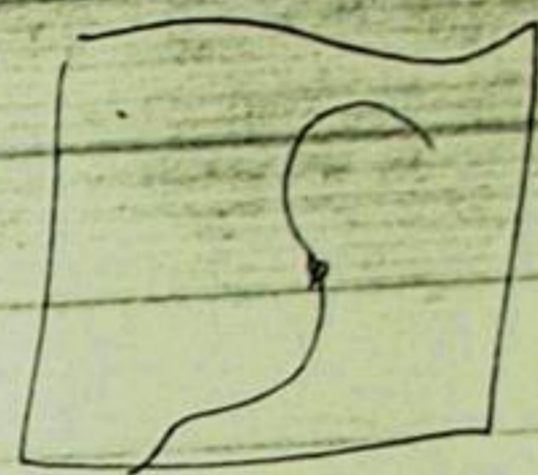
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Math 115, Dec 6 1991

The isoperimetric inequality

"Among all domains with boundary length  $l$  the disk has the most area"

Lagrange multipliers: maximize  $F(x,y)$  under  $g(x,y) = 0$



stupid way:

smart way  $h_\lambda(x,y) = f(x,y) + \lambda g(x,y) \begin{cases} \nabla h_\lambda = 0 \\ g(x,y) = 0 \end{cases}$

Example: Find the point nearest to the origin on the curve  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 1$

$$h_\lambda = x^2 + y^2 + \lambda(x^2 + xy + y^2 - 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial h_\lambda}{\partial x} = 2x + 2\lambda x + y = 0$$

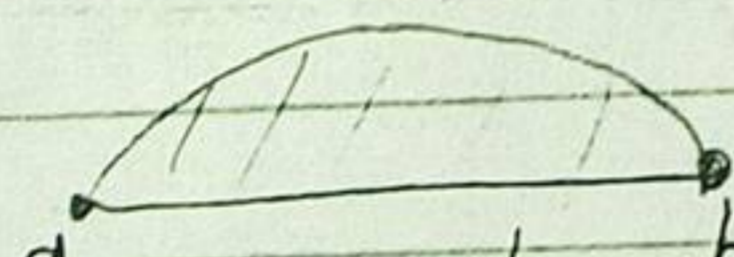
$$\frac{\partial h_\lambda}{\partial y} = 2y + 2\lambda y + x = 0$$

$$x^2 + xy + y^2 = 1$$

$$y = -2(1+\lambda)x \quad y = x \quad 3x^2 = 1$$

$$x = -2(1+\lambda)y \quad y = -x \quad x^2 = 1$$

Example



$$y(a) = 0$$

$$y(b) = 0$$

$$J = \int_a^b y dx \quad G = \int_a^b \sqrt{1+y'^2} dx = l$$

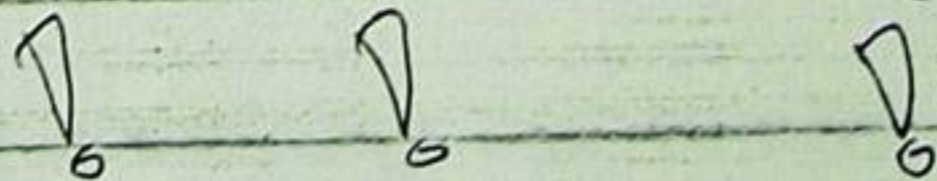
$$J + \lambda G = \int_a^b (y + \lambda \sqrt{1+y'^2}) dx \quad F_\lambda = y + \lambda \sqrt{1+y'^2}$$

Rare case of Euler-Lagrange is simpler than its simplification:

$$0 = F_y - \frac{d}{dx} F_{y'} = 1 - \lambda \frac{d}{dx} \frac{y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{\lambda y'}{\sqrt{1+y'^2}} = x - c_1$$

$$\text{solve for } y', \text{ get } y' = \frac{x-c_1}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 - (x-c_1)^2}} \Rightarrow y = c_2 - \sqrt{\lambda^2 - (x-c_1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-c_1)^2 + (y-c_2)^2 = \lambda^2$$



HW. 2.17-19; 22

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More examples:

Thm  $S(y) = \int_a^b F(x, y, y') dx$   $C(y) = \int_a^b C(x, y, y') dx$   $y(a) = A$   $y(b) = B$

if  $y$  is an extremum of  $S(y)$  subject to  $C(y) = l$ , and  $y$  is not an extremal of  $C(y)$ , then there exists a constant  $\lambda$  s.t.  $y$  is an extremal of  $S + \lambda C$ .

Proof in 2D (gradients are proportional)

Example Isoperimetric inequality as in Math 115, Dec 6 1991  
"variational derivative"

Proof 1. Define  $\frac{\delta S}{\delta y} = F_y - \frac{d}{dx} F_{y'}$ ,  $h$  property

2. Find  $x_0 \in [a, b]$  s.t.  $\frac{\delta C}{\delta y}(x_0) \neq 0$

$$\text{set } \lambda = - \frac{\frac{\delta S}{\delta y}(x_0)}{\frac{\delta C}{\delta y}(x_0)}$$

3. Let  $x_1 \in [a, b]$ , set  $h = h_{x_0} - \left( \frac{\frac{\delta C}{\delta y}(x_1)}{\frac{\delta C}{\delta y}(x_0)} \right) \cdot h_{x_0}$

$$C(y + \epsilon h) = C(y) + o(\epsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow S(y + \epsilon h) - S(y) = o(\epsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\delta S}{\delta y}(x_1) - \frac{\frac{\delta C}{\delta y}(x_1)}{\frac{\delta C}{\delta y}(x_0)} \frac{\delta S}{\delta y}(x_0) \Rightarrow \dots$$

Details in text.

HW: (due Feb 28) 1.4, 15 bcd, 20; 2. 17, 19, 22; complete isoperimetric

Requiring the action to be stationary leads to the generalized Euler-Lagrange equations

*copied from Itzykson-Zuber*

$$\frac{\delta I}{\delta \varphi_i(x)} \equiv \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x)}{\partial \varphi_i(x)} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(x)}{\partial [\partial_\mu \varphi_i(x)]} = 0 \quad (1-44)$$

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Five more classes, Five more topics:

1. other types
2. second derivatives
3. Hamiltonian formulation
4. symmetries
5. "integral calculus"

The Hamiltonian Formulation.

(Dict:  
L ↔ J  
y ↔ q  
x ↔ t)

motivation:  $L = \int (\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - v(q)) dt$

$q = q(t), v = \dot{q}$ , describing a particle in a pot. field.

$E=L: F_q = \frac{d}{dt} F_{\dot{q}} = 0 \Rightarrow m\ddot{q} = -V'(q) \leftarrow$  Newton's law  
maybe we should look at  $E=L$  as an initial value problem rather than a boundary value problem.

$F_q = \frac{d}{dt} F_{\dot{q}}; \quad q(0) = q_0; \quad \dot{q}(0) = v_0$  a 2<sup>nd</sup> order ODE w/ initial cond.

in higher dims just add subscripts  $\int_{\text{natural}}$

Theorem: In the variables  $q_i, p_i \triangleq F_{\dot{q}_i}$  (=  $m\dot{q}$  = momentum) the  $E=L$  eqns are equivalent to the Hamilton equations:

$\dot{q} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p} \quad \dot{p} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q}$  where the "hamiltonian"  $H$  is

$H(q_i, p_i) \triangleq \sum \dot{q}_i p_i - F \quad (= \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + V(q) = \text{total energy})$

Proof: compute  $dH$  in two ways.  $p_i = F_{\dot{q}_i}, H = \sum p_i \dot{q}_i - F$   
 $F_{q_i} - \frac{d}{dt} F_{\dot{q}_i} = 0$  ; consider  $dq_i, dp_i, dH, dF$

$\sum \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} dp_i + \sum \frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} dq_i = dH = \sum p_i d\dot{q}_i + \sum \dot{q}_i dp_i - \sum \frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} dq_i - \sum \frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}_i} d\dot{q}_i$   
 $= \sum \dot{q}_i dp_i - \sum p_i dq_i \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$

Definition: P.B. (of funcs of  $p, q$ ):

claim: 1.  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dF}{dt} = \{F, H\}$  (it's like  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial F}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i}$ )

2.  $\{H, H\} = 0$

3.  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow$  conservation of energy ; (we actually know that already)

HW: Read 16 if P.B. is done: DO 4.1, 2 & Read 17.

Do everything explicitly for the harmonic oscillator  $F = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{q}^2 - \frac{1}{2}kq^2$

Math 117, Feb 24 1994

Additional topics:

1. PP 16 - Sol w/ no 2nd order der.
2. PP 22 - Several var's
3. PP 24 - Minimal area surfaces
4. PP 29 - change of vars
5. PP 34 - Several unknown functions
6. PP 37 - Geodesics (as an example of a prob w/ several unknown functions)
7. PP 39 - Parametric form
8. PP 41 - higher order derivatives
9. PP 46 - Finite subsidiary conditions
10. PP 49 - Geodesics on a sphere
11. PP 59 - End points on a curve
12. PP 61 - Broken extremals.

plan: 1. topics



Math 115, Dec 11 1991.

Conservation laws

Review Hamilton's equations

Definition: P.B:

$$\{F, G\} = \sum \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial G}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial F}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial G}{\partial q_i} \right)$$

claim: 1.  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dF}{dt} = \{F, H\}$

2.  $\{H, H\} = 0$

3.  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow$  conservation of energy, } we already know that  
energy is an integral of motion,

4.  $\{q, p_q\} = 1$  This the beginning of QM!

5. anything that can be said about classical mechanics can be said using P.B.  $\Rightarrow$  symplectic geometry.

Noether's Theorem

- 1. IF  $F$  is invariant under time trans  $E$  is conserved
- 2. IF  $F$  is invariant under coordinate momenta is conserved
- 3. IF  $F$  is inv. under rotations, angular momentum is conserved

Let us  $\sim$  things which are functions of  $t, q, \dot{q}$

Noether's thm IF  $J(\tilde{q}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} F(t, \tilde{q}, \dot{\tilde{q}}) dt$  is invariant under

$$t^* = T(t, q, \dot{q}, \epsilon); \quad q_i^* = Q(t, q, \dot{q}, \epsilon) \quad (\text{Namely, ...})$$

then where  $t_0 = t_1$

$$\left( \sum p_i \frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial \epsilon} - H \frac{\partial T}{\partial \epsilon} \right) \Big|_{\epsilon=0}$$

is conserved (Namely...)

Example: 1.  $T = t + \epsilon, Q = q \Rightarrow H$  is conserved if  $F$  is  $t$  indep.

2.  $T = t, Q = q + \epsilon \Rightarrow p$  is conserved if  $F$  is  $q$  indep.

HW: Read 17, 13, 20 Do 4, 1, 2, 3 (Noether: 5)

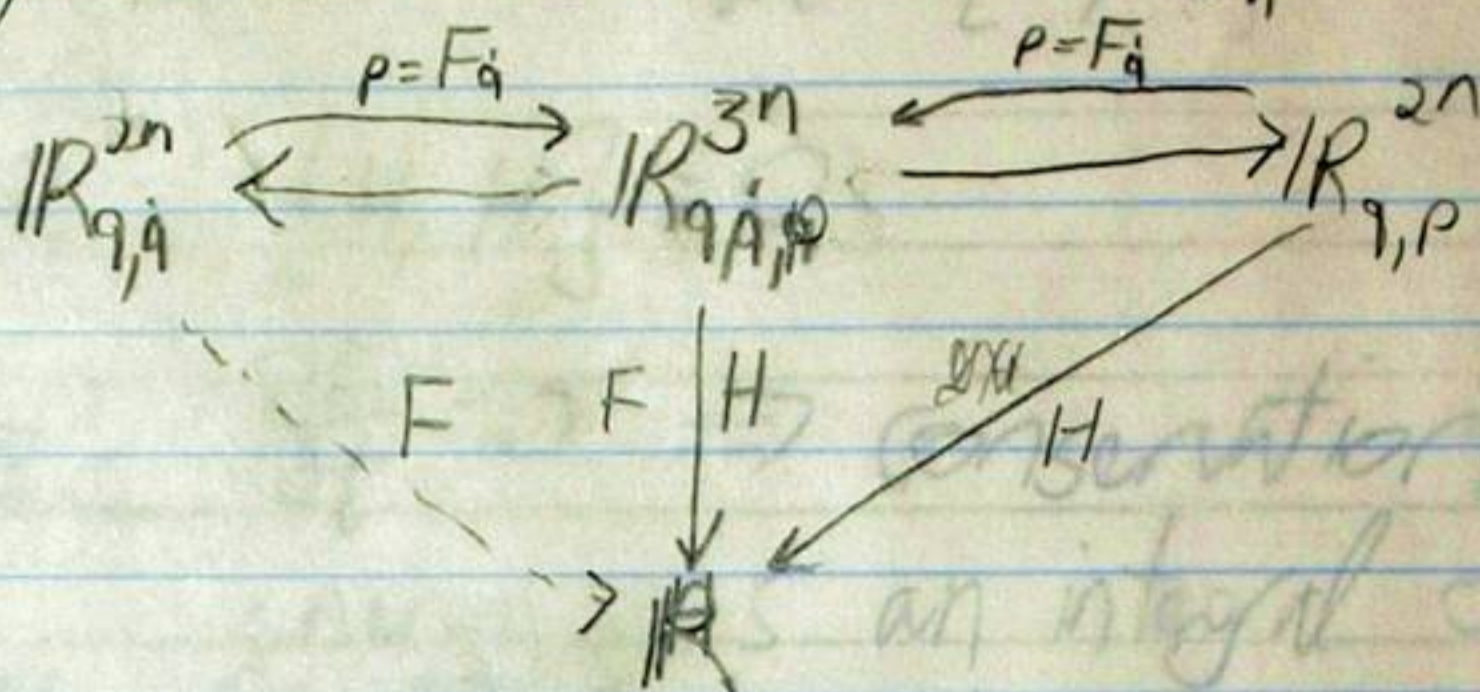
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$$F = F(t, q_i, \dot{q}_i):$$

Thm In the variables  $q_i, p_i \triangleq F_{\dot{q}_i}$  ("the momentum conjugate to  $q_i$ ") E-L are equiv to

$$\dot{q}_i = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} \quad \dot{p}_i = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} \quad \text{where } H(q_i, p_i) = \sum \dot{q}_i p_i - F$$

Proof  $\sum \left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} dp_i + \frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} dq_i \right) = dH = \sum \dot{q}_i dp_i + p_i dq_i - \frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} dq_i - \frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}_i} d\dot{q}_i$



Def observable

Def P.B. of observables of  $p$  &  $q$ : This is the beginning of QM

$$\{F, G\} = \sum \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial G}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial F}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial G}{\partial q_i} \right)$$

claim All you ever wanted to know about a mechanical system can be recovered from  $H$  &  $\{, \}$

1.  $\frac{dF}{dt} = \{F, H\}$
2.  $\{H, H\} = 0$
3.  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow$  cons. of energy (have we seen that before?)
4.  $\{q_i, p_j\} = \delta_{ij}$

All of QM: replace obs. by matrices (operators) & P.B. by  $\{, \}$  commutator

$$[Q, P] = i\hbar I$$

the Von-Neumann:  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}_x), Q = x, P = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V(x)$$

$$i\hbar \frac{dF}{dt} = [F, H] \Rightarrow F_t = e^{-i\hbar t H} F_0 e^{i\hbar t H} \Rightarrow \psi_t \rightarrow e^{-i\hbar t H} \psi_0 \quad \text{HW: 4.1-3.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\psi_t}{dt} = -i\hbar H \psi_t \Rightarrow \text{Schrodinger's eqn}$$

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## Discuss grading Policy

Symplectic Geometry:

$\omega$  - closed Non-degenerate 2-form on  $M$

examples: 1.  $\sum dp_i \wedge dq_i$

2. Any form on  $S^2$ , say  $x dy \wedge dz + y dz \wedge dx + z dx \wedge dy$

$F \mapsto X_F$  by  $i_{X_F} \omega = -df$   
do 2 examples.

$\{F, G\} = \omega(X_F, X_G) = -dF(X_G) = -X_G F = X_F G$   
do example 1.

Thm 1.  $\{F, G\}$  has all the properties of poov class

2.  $X_{\{F, G\}} = [X_F, X_G]$

3. The flow generated by  $X_F$  preserves  $\omega$  &  $\omega^n/n!$

4. if  $L_X \omega = 0$ , almost  $\exists F$  s.t.  $X = X_F$ .

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Continue symplectic geometry:  $i_{X_F} = -dF$

$$\{F, G\} = X_F G$$

example:

$$F = z \text{ on } S^2.$$

Thm 1. a.  $\{, \}$  is bil

b.  $\{, \}$  is as.

c.  $\{, \}$  sat. Leib.

d.  $\{, \}$  sat. Jacobi

2. a. flow generated by  $X_F$  preserves  $\omega$  &  $\omega^n/n!$

b.  $L_X \omega = 0 \Rightarrow$  almost  $\exists F$  s.t.  $X = X_F$

$$3 \quad X_{\{F, G\}} = [X_F, X_G]$$

computations:

$$-dz = \underbrace{(\alpha \partial_x + \beta \partial_y + \gamma \partial_z)}_{\substack{V \\ \langle V, \nu \rangle = 0}} (x dy \wedge dz + y dz \wedge dx + z dx \wedge dy) = \begin{pmatrix} (xy - \beta z) dx & -xz dx \\ (\alpha z - \delta x) dy & -yz dy \\ (\beta x - \alpha y) dz & (1 - z^2) dz \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{claim: } \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \\ \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} xy \\ -x \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g = [X_F, X_G] \quad i_{X_F} \omega = -dF, \quad i_{X_G} \omega = -dG$$

$$i_{[X_F, X_G]} \omega \stackrel{?}{=} -d\{F, G\} = d(\omega(X_F, X_G))$$

$$\omega([X_F, X_G], Z) \stackrel{?}{=} L_Z(\omega(X_F, X_G))$$

$$= (L_Z \omega)(X_F, X_G) + \omega([Z, X_F], X_G) + \omega(X_F, [Z, X_G])$$

$$= (d|_Z \omega)(X_F, X_G) + [Z, X_F] G - [Z, X_G] F$$

$$= X_F \omega(Z, X_G) - X_G \omega(Z, X_F) - \omega(Z, [X_F, X_G]) + [Z, X_F] G - [Z, X_G] F$$

$$= X_F Z G - X_G Z F + [Z, X_F] G - [Z, X_G] F = Z X_F G - Z X_G F + \omega([X_F, X_G], Z) + \omega([X_F, X_G], Z)$$

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1. Liouville's thm

2. Noether's thm.  $\text{Sym} \Leftrightarrow$  conservation laws.

a.  $X = \frac{\partial}{\partial q_1}$

b.  $X = q_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial q_2} - q_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial q_1} + p_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial p_2} - p_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial p_1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow i_X W &= -q_1 p_2 + q_2 p_1 + p_1 q_2 - p_2 q_1 \\ &= d(q_2 p_1 - q_1 p_2) \end{aligned}$$

3. Bracket of two v.f.:

1. def

2. geom. interp.

3. Lie der. interp.

4. Proof of  $X_{\{F, G\}} = [X_F, X_G]$ .

start  
w/  
that

HW: 1. Verify that P.B. sat. Jac.

2. Compute P.B. of any pair of  $X, Y, Z$   
on  $\mathbb{C}^2$

(1) We have the basis  $dx, dy, dz, dt$  with  $(dx, dx) = (dy, dy) = (dz, dz) = 1$  and  $(dt, dt) = -1$ . We have

$$F = E_x dx \wedge dt + E_y dy \wedge dt + E_z dz \wedge dt + B_x dy \wedge dz + B_y dz \wedge dx + B_z dx \wedge dy$$

By linearity + orthogonality (verify if you wish), and skew symmetry of basis +  $\wedge$ ,

$$(dx_1, dx_2, dx_3, dx_4) = (dx_1, dx_3)(dx_2, dx_4) - (dx_2, dx_3)(dx_1, dx_4)$$

Recall that " $(dA \wedge dB) = (*dA, dB) dx_1 \wedge dx_2 \wedge \dots \wedge dx_n$  for all  $dB$ " is the definition of  $*dA$ . (PROR MIGHT HAVE WRITTEN SOMETHING ELSE ~~IN~~ IN CLASS!)

This gives us  $* (dx \wedge dt) = dy \wedge dz$  and cyclic permutations of  $x, y, z$ .  
 $* (dx \wedge dy) = -dz \wedge dt$  " " " " "

$\nabla \cdot F = 0$  and  $d(*F) = \vec{J} = \rho dx dy dz - j_x dy dz dt - j_y dz dx dt - j_z dx dy dt$ ,  
 now give us the correct Maxwell equations,  $\text{curl } E = -\frac{\partial B}{\partial t}$  (Faraday's Law of Induction)

$$\text{curl } B = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \text{ (Ampere's Law)}$$

$$\text{div } E = \rho \text{ (Gauss's Law)}$$

$$\text{div } B = 0 \text{ (nonexistence of magnetic monopoles)}$$

(2) First, notice that if  $t' = (\cosh \mu)t + (\sinh \mu)x$  and  $x' = (\sinh \mu)t + (\cosh \mu)x$  then  $t'^2 - x'^2 - y'^2 - z'^2 = (\cosh^2 \mu - \sinh^2 \mu)t^2 - (\cosh^2 \mu - \sinh^2 \mu)x^2 - y^2 - z^2 = t^2 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2$ .  
 Good, the metric is invariant, so Maxwell's equations will still hold.

Now,  $dt' = \cosh \mu dt + \sinh \mu dx$  and  $dx' = \sinh \mu dt + \cosh \mu dx$

Plug these into  $F' = E_x dx' \wedge dt' + E_y dy' \wedge dt' + E_z dz' \wedge dt' + B_x dy' \wedge dz' + B_y dz' \wedge dx' + B_z dx' \wedge dy'$ .

This gives us

$$\begin{cases} E_x' = E_x \\ E_y' = E_y \cosh \mu - B_z \sinh \mu \\ E_z' = E_z \cosh \mu + B_y \sinh \mu \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} B_x' = B_x \\ B_y' = B_y \cosh \mu + E_z \sinh \mu \\ B_z' = B_z \cosh \mu - E_y \sinh \mu \end{cases}$$

CAN YOU GIVE A PHYSICAL PICTURE?

$$S(A) = \int \frac{1}{2} \|dA\|^2 + J \wedge A$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{2} (dA \wedge *dA) + \int d(*dA) \wedge A$$

by definition

found from  $d*F = J$

$$\text{Now, } d(*dA) \wedge A = d(*dA \wedge A) - (-1)^{\deg *dA} (*dA \wedge dA)$$

(this is like a product rule)

$$= -*dA \wedge dA = -dA \wedge *dA$$

The last step uses  $\alpha \wedge *\beta = \beta \wedge *\alpha$ , for any forms  $\alpha, \beta$ .

$$\text{Thus } S(A) = \int -\frac{1}{2} dA \wedge *dA = -\frac{1}{2} \int F \wedge *F = \dots$$

$$\dots = \frac{1}{2} \int (E^2 - B^2) dt \wedge dx \wedge dy \wedge dz$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad i \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = H \psi \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = -iH \psi \Rightarrow \psi_{t,x} = e^{-itH} \psi_{0,x}$$

$$\text{Now, } e^{-itH} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{[-it(\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2})]^j}{j!} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\frac{it}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2})^j}{j!}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \psi_0 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} e^{ipx} = ip \cdot ip e^{ipx} = -p^2 \psi_0$$

$$\text{So } e^{-itH} \psi_0 = \psi_0 \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-it p^2 / 2)^j}{j!} = \boxed{e^{ipx - \frac{ip^2}{2} t}}$$

The exponent here is  $ip(x - \frac{p}{2}t)$ , so this is a "traveling wave" wavefunction.

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Review statement of Noether's

Example: if  $F$  is  $t$  indep, then  $L$  is invariant  
under  $T = t + \epsilon, Q = q$

$$L^* = \int_{t_0^*}^{t_1^*} F(t, \dot{q}^*, q^*) dt = \int_{t_0 + \epsilon}^{t_1 + \epsilon} F(t, \dot{q}(t + \epsilon), q(t + \epsilon)) dt$$

$q = q^* = \tilde{q}^*(t^*) = \tilde{q}^*(t + \epsilon)$

Example: if  $F = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{q}_1^2 + \dot{q}_2^2) - V(q_1^2 + q_2^2)$

$L$  is inv under  $\begin{pmatrix} q_1^* \\ q_2^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \epsilon & -\sin \epsilon \\ \sin \epsilon & \cos \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{pmatrix}$

intuitive proof of Noether's

Proof of Noether's

If extra time - start integrating.

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# Noether's theorem, Dec 13 1991

Proof of Noether's theorem:

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} J \Big|_{\epsilon=0} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \int_{t_0^*}^{t_1^*} F(t, \tilde{q}_i^*, \dot{\tilde{q}}_i^*) dt \Big|_{\epsilon=0} =$$

$$= F(t_1, \tilde{q}_i(t_1), \dot{\tilde{q}}_i(t_1)) \frac{\partial T(t_1, \tilde{q}_i(t_1), \dot{\tilde{q}}_i(t_1))}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} - F(t_0) \frac{\partial T(t_0)}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0}$$

$$+ \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \sum_i \left( F_{q_i} \frac{\partial \tilde{q}_i^*}{\partial \epsilon} + F_{\dot{q}_i} \left( \frac{\partial \dot{\tilde{q}}_i^*}{\partial \epsilon} \right) \right) dt =$$

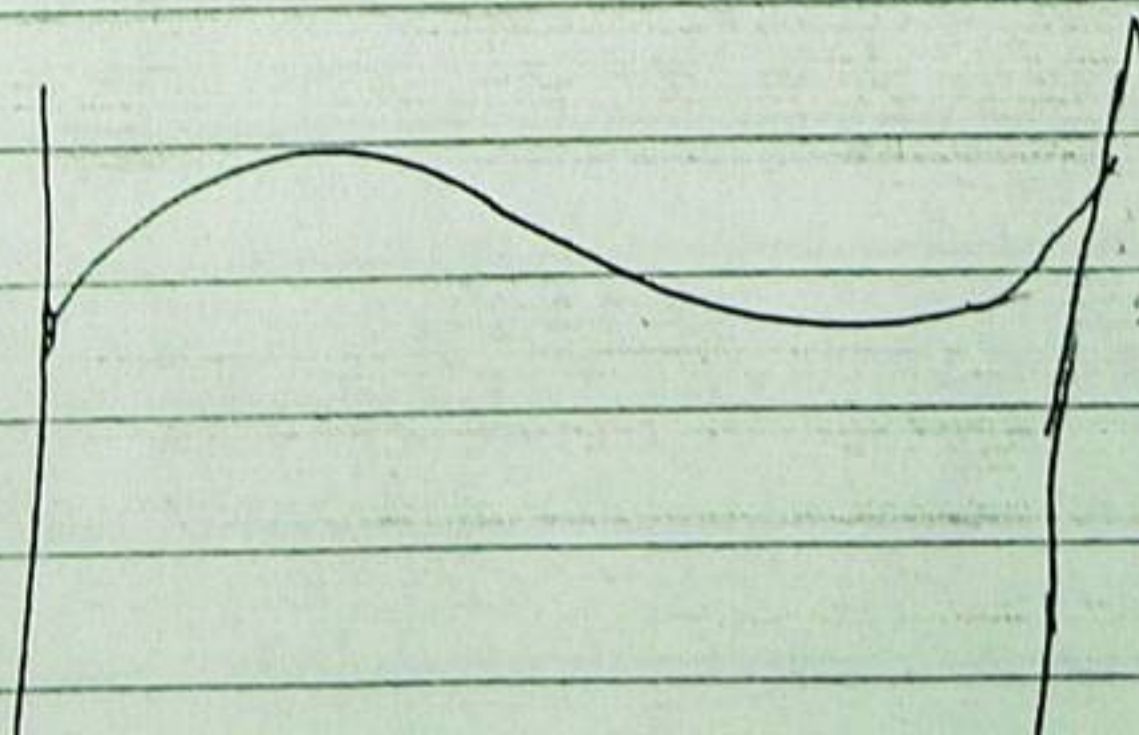
$$= F \frac{\partial T}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{t_1} - F \frac{\partial T}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{t_0} + \sum p_i \frac{\partial \tilde{q}_i^*}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{t_1} - \sum p_i \frac{\partial \tilde{q}_i^*}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{t_0} + \underbrace{E-L}_0$$

$$= (F - \sum p_i \dot{\tilde{q}}_i) \frac{\partial T}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{t_1} - (F - \sum p_i \dot{\tilde{q}}_i) \frac{\partial T}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{t_0} + \sum p_i \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{t_1}$$

Suppose we hold  $t$  fixed. What is  $\frac{\partial \tilde{q}_i^*}{\partial \epsilon}$ ?

$$q^* = \tilde{q}^*(t^*) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \epsilon} = \frac{\partial \tilde{q}_i^*}{\partial \epsilon} + \dot{\tilde{q}}_i \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial \epsilon}$$

Geometrically:



Math 117, March 9 1994

Short. Office hours today!

1. Bracket of two v.f.
  - a. recall def
  - b. recall geom interp
  - c. Lie def
  - d. Leibnitz' law derivation.

- 2  $X_{\{F,G\}} = [X_F, X_G]$ 
  - a. Cliff's proof
  - b. my proof.

Noether's theorem in Lagrangian setting:

IF  $S(\tilde{q}_0) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} F(t, \tilde{q}_i, \dot{\tilde{q}}_i) dt$  is invariant under

$$t^* = T(t, q_i, \dot{q}_i, \dots, \epsilon) \quad q_i^* = Q_i(t, q_i, \dot{q}_i, \dots, \epsilon)$$

with  $T|_{\epsilon=0} = t, Q_i|_{\epsilon=0} = q_i$  (namely, define  $\tilde{q}^*$  by  $q^* = \tilde{q}^*(t^*)$ )

then

$$\sum p_i \frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial \epsilon} - H \frac{\partial T}{\partial \epsilon}$$

is conserved (constant along trajectories)

where  $p_i = F_{\dot{q}_i}; H = \sum \dot{q}_i p_i - F$

Examples:  $T = t + \epsilon, Q = q \Rightarrow H$  is conserved if  $F$  is  $t$  indep

$T = t, Q_i = q_i + \epsilon \Rightarrow p_i$  is conserved if  $F$  is  $q_i$  indep  
 $Q_j = q_j \quad j \neq i$

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1. Announce change in plan

2. Finish off Noether's theorem

(under  $q \rightarrow q + \delta q$   
 $t \rightarrow t + \delta t$ )

1. General variation:  $\delta S =$

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_1} (E-L) \cdot \delta q + P \delta q \Big|_{t_0}^{t_1} - H \delta t \Big|_{t_0}^{t_1}$$

3. Hamilton-Jacobi:

Hamilton-Jacobi for Euclidean path length:

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$$F = \sqrt{1 + \dot{q}^2} \quad p = F_{\dot{q}} = \frac{\dot{q}}{\sqrt{1 + \dot{q}^2}}$$

$$p\sqrt{1 + \dot{q}^2} = \dot{q} \quad p^2(1 + \dot{q}^2) = \dot{q}^2$$

$$\dot{q}^2(1 - p^2) = p^2 \quad p^2 = \dot{q}^2(1 - p^2)$$

$$\dot{q} = \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{1 - p^2}}$$

$$H = p\dot{q} - F = p\sqrt{\frac{p^2}{1 - p^2}} - \sqrt{1 + \frac{p^2}{1 - p^2}}$$

$$= p^2\sqrt{\frac{1}{1 - p^2}} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 - p^2}} = (p^2 - 1)\sqrt{\frac{1}{1 - p^2}} = -\sqrt{1 - p^2}$$

Hamilton Jacobi:

$$\frac{\partial d}{\partial t} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\partial d}{\partial q}\right)^2}$$

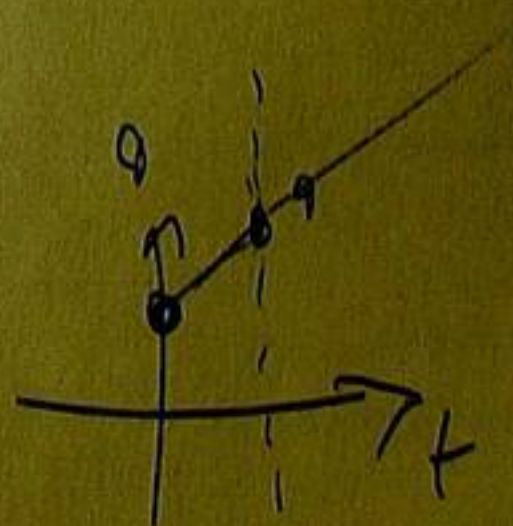
$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial d}{\partial t}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial d}{\partial q}\right)^2 = 1$$

i.e.  $d = \sqrt{(q - \alpha)^2 + t^2}$  solves.

$$\frac{\partial d}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{-(q - \alpha)}{\sqrt{(q - \alpha)^2 + t^2}} = \beta$$

$$p = \frac{\partial d}{\partial q} = \frac{q - \alpha}{\sqrt{(q - \alpha)^2 + t^2}}$$

$$\dot{q} = \sqrt{\frac{(q - \alpha)^2}{(q - \alpha)^2 + t^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{(q - \alpha)^2}{t^2}} = \frac{q - \alpha}{t}$$



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Hamilton-Jacobi for the harmonic oscillator

$$F = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{q}^2 - \frac{1}{2} k q^2$$

$$p = m \dot{q}$$

$$\dot{q} = \frac{p}{m}$$

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} k q^2$$

Hamilton-Jacobi:

$$\frac{\partial d}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2m} \left( \frac{\partial d}{\partial q} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} k q^2 = 0$$

Solution: (For  $k=m=1$ !)

$$\frac{q \sqrt{2\alpha - q^2}}{2} - \alpha t + \alpha t g \left( \frac{q}{\sqrt{2\alpha - q^2}} \right)$$

Homework for Math 117, March 14 1994.

1. Find the mistake in the formulation and in the proof of theorem 1, page 91 of Gelfand-Fomin.
2. Solve the harmonic oscillator, defined by

$$F = \frac{-q^2 + q'^2}{2},$$

using the Hamilton-Jacobi equation.

3. Let  $A$  be a nonsingular symmetric  $n$  by  $n$  matrix, and let  $F$  be the corresponding quadratic form:

$$F(q) = q^T A q.$$

Compute the Legendre transform of  $F$ , and the Fourier transform of  $\exp(iF)$ .

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1. Hamilton Jacobi:  $\frac{\partial d}{\partial t} + H(t, q_i, \frac{\partial d}{\partial q_i}) = 0$

Thm let  $d(t, q_1, \dots, q_n, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$  be a solution of H.J. with

$$\det \left( \frac{\partial^2 d}{\partial \alpha_i \partial q_k} \right) \neq 0.$$

Fix  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$ , and let  $\{q_i, p_i\}$  solve:

$$1. \frac{\partial d}{\partial \alpha_i}(t, q_1, \dots, q_n, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = \beta_i$$

$$2. p_i = \frac{\partial d}{\partial q_i}(t, q_1, \dots, q_n, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \Big|_{\text{evaluated on the } q_i \text{'s of 1.}}$$

then  $\{q_i, p_i\}$  solve the Canonical eqn's.

2. Example:  $F = \sqrt{1 + \dot{q}^2}$   $H = -\sqrt{1 - p^2}$  HJ:  $\left(\frac{\partial d}{\partial t}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial d}{\partial q}\right)^2 = 1$

Sol'n: easy:  $\alpha t + \sqrt{1 - \alpha^2} q$

hard:  $\sqrt{(q - \alpha)^2 + t^2}$

easy:

$$1. t - \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{1 - \alpha^2}} q = 0 \Rightarrow q = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \alpha^2}}{\alpha} t$$

$$2. p = \sqrt{1 - \alpha^2}$$

$$\text{indeed } \frac{\dot{q}}{\sqrt{1 + \dot{q}^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \alpha^2}/\alpha}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1 - \alpha^2}{\alpha^2}}}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \alpha^2}$$

hard:

$$1. \frac{q - \alpha}{\sqrt{(q - \alpha)^2 + t^2}} = \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow q = \alpha + \sqrt{\frac{\beta^2}{1 - \beta^2}} t$$

$$2. p = \frac{q - \alpha}{\sqrt{(q - \alpha)^2 + t^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\beta^2}{1 - \beta^2}}}{\sqrt{\frac{\beta^2}{1 - \beta^2} + 1}} = \sqrt{\frac{\beta^2}{1 - \beta^2 + 1}} = \beta$$

indeed

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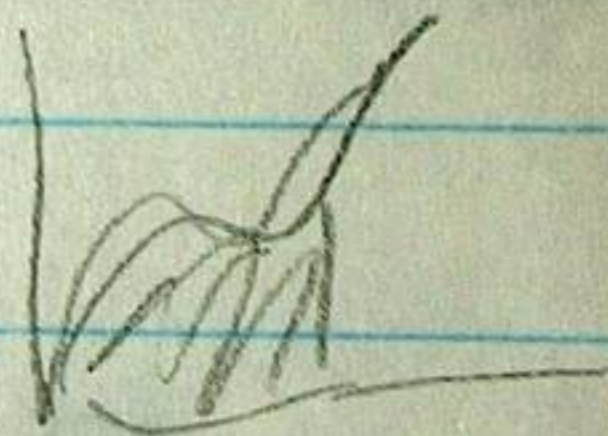
3. Arnold's example:

4. Proof.

5. The Legendre transform: (appears in: Fourier, Prob. (large dev),  
stat mech, mech, QFT, probably a few  
other fields)

1. The Fourier approach.

2.



, gain involutivity,  
yau's inv.

3. relation with SH

4. several variables



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$F: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  convex      e.g.  $F = \frac{\sigma q^2}{2}$

$LF: V^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$(LF)(P) = \max_q P \cdot q - F(q)$

e.g.  $(LF)(P) = \frac{p^2}{2\sigma}$

connections  
w/  $H \leftrightarrow F$

if  $F$  is differentiable, <sup>solve</sup>  $F'(q) = P$ , & set  $(LF)(P) = P \cdot q - F(q) |_{F'(q)=P}$

Properties: 1.  $L(F+c) = L(F) - c$        $L(F-c) = L(F) + c$

Define  $f_q(q) = F(q - q_0)$  2.  $L(F_{q_0}) = L(F) + F(q_0)$

$L(F + P_0) = (LF) - P_0$

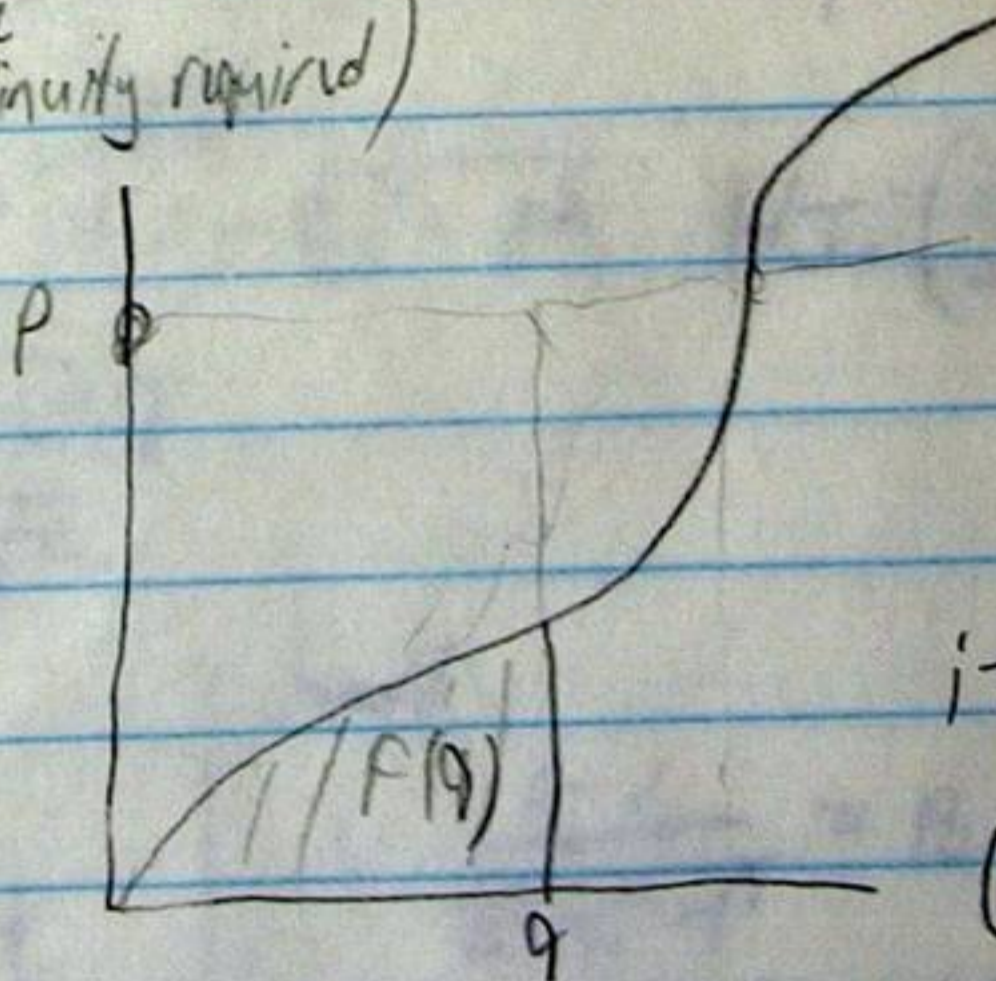
3.  $L(F \circ T) = L(F) \circ (T^{-1})^*$

4.  $L(F)$  is convex

5.  $L(L(F)) = F$  (some continuity required)

PF of 4 & 5, 1-D:

A convex function is the integral of an increasing function



it follows that

$(LF)''(P) \cdot F''(q) = 1$   
if

$\Rightarrow (LF)(P)$  is the integral of the inverse function?

PF on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , assuming differentiability

In the 1-dim case,  $(LF)''(P) \cdot F''(q) = 1$        $\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} P = F'(q) \\ q = (LF)'(P) \end{cases}$

&  $(LF)(P) + F(q) \geq P \cdot q$  for all  $(P, q)$   
"young's ineq"

same in n-dim.  
example:  
 $\frac{q^2}{a} \Rightarrow \frac{p^2}{b}$  w/  $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} q^2 + \frac{1}{2} p^2 \leq P \cdot q$

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April 4: Class in 411

April 25: I'll be away

1. The sphere example.

$$2. F = y^2(1-y'^2) \quad y^2(-y'^2) + y' y^2 2y' = y^2(1+y'^2)$$

$y=0$  is certainly a solution  
is it really a minimum?

3. Def of weak & strong minima.

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4. Second Variation

$$5. \int (py'^2 + Qy^2) dx \quad p \geq 0 \quad \text{is } p > 0 \text{ sufficient?}$$

(can't be!)

6. Idea: add  $(wy^2)'$ , get  $\int (ay'^2 + 2byy' + cy^2) dx$ .

if  $= \int (\alpha y' + \beta y)^2$ , we're happy.

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = ac; \text{ i.e. } w^2 = p \cdot (Q + w'); \text{ i.e. } w' = \frac{w^2}{p} + Q$$

$\Rightarrow$  Almost sufficient!

$$\text{Example: } p=Q=1 \Rightarrow w' = w^2 + 1 \Rightarrow w = \tan(x+c)$$

# Final Project/Lecture — Suggested Topics

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Dror Bar-Natan

Following is a list of suggested topics for a final project/lecture. I may amend this list later. Notice that all (except for the first and the last) suggestions begin with the word “understand”. The word “understand” means:

Understand very well (to Dror’s satisfaction), write something proving that you’ve really understood, and be ready to give a lecture or two in class about what you’ve understood.

- Dream up (or look up) your own idea, and have it approved by me.
- Understand the Stone-von-Neumann uniqueness theorem, saying that (in some sense) the only realization of the “canonical commutation relations”  $[P, Q] = -iI$  is  $P = \frac{1}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ ,  $Q = x$ . A good place to read about this is ???.
- Understand “strong minimas” as in chapter 6 of Gelfand-Fomin.
- Understand the gravitational two body problem (i.e., the motion of a single planet around a single star) using Lagrangian and/or Hamiltonian mechanics. What is “the Lenz vector”? You may use any mechanics text as a source, or borrow from me a paper by Guillemin and Sternberg titled “Variations on a Theme by Kepler”.
- Understand the Hydrogen atom quantum-mechanically from the Schrödinger equation.
- Understand Darboux’ theorem, which says that locally every symplectic structure looks like  $\sum dp_i \wedge dq_i$ . Arnold’s “Mathematical Methods of Classical Mechanics” is a good source, but there are many others.
- Understand “canonical transformations”. Any mechanics book would do.
- Understand “the many-world interpretation of quantum mechanics”.
- Understand Brownian motion as an example of a mathematically rigorous path integral. What is “the Feynman-Kac formula”?
- Find and understand as many as possible examples for systems which are the most easily solved using the Hamilton-Jacobi equation.

Please let me know by April 8th which topic you’ve chosen.

# Homework Due April 4th

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1. Prove the following particular case of “Young’s inequality”:

$$pq \leq \frac{p^a}{a} + \frac{q^b}{b} \quad \text{whenever } p > 0, q > 0, \text{ and } \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = 1.$$

(This inequality is used in the proof of the famous Hölder inequality, which is itself used in the proof of the famous Minkowski inequality.)

2. Find the mistake in the proof in page 110 of Gelfand-Fomin and briefly indicate how (with some effort) it can be fixed without changing the global structure of the proof (as we did in class).
3. Do exercises 7,8,11,13 on pages 129–130 of Gelfand-Fomin.

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Review:  $(F^2 \int F)(h) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{a,b} (Ph'^2 + Qh^2) dx$   
 $F_{y'y'}|_{y_{crit}} \quad F_{yy} - \frac{d}{dx} F_{yy'}|_{y_{crit}}$

Study  $\int (Ph'^2 + Qh^2) dx$ : nec that  $P \geq 0$ .

Jacobi eqn:  $-\frac{d}{dx}(Ph') + Qh = 0$  (2nd order linear ODE)

DEF of conjugate pt.

Lemma if  $a, b$  conjugate &  $h(a) = h(b) = 0$  &  $h$  sat Jac,  
then  $\int (Ph'^2 + Qh^2) dx = 0$  (by  $\int Jac \cdot h dx$ )

Thm  $\int Ph'^2 + Qh^2$  w/  $P > 0$  is P.D. iff  $[a, b]$   
contains no pts. conjugate to  $a$ .

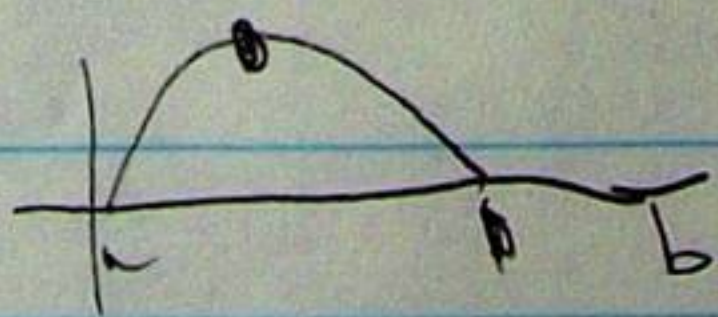
PF. assume no conjugate pts. Recall our technique of proving positivity

- find  $w$  s.t.  $w^2 = P(Q + w')$ ,  ~~$w^2 = P(Q + w')$~~  & get

$$\int Ph'^2 + Qh^2 = \int P(h' + \frac{w}{P}h)^2 \quad \text{which is P.D.}$$

now just subs.  $w = -\frac{u'}{u}P$  into Riccati.

other side insier:




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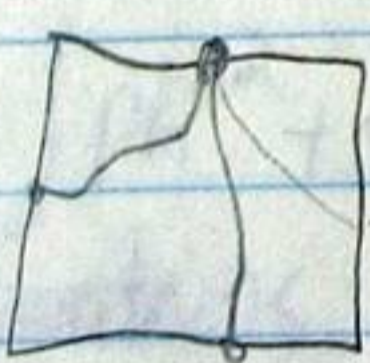
Justify Picard's theorem:  $y' = F(x, y)$ ,  $F$  cont. diffable w.r.t  $y$  & cont. w.r.t.  $x$  on  $|x - x_0| \leq a$   $|y - y_0| \leq b$ . Let  $a^* = \min(a, \frac{b}{M})$  where  $M = \max \|F\| \Rightarrow \exists!$  solution through  $x_0, y_0$

2<sup>nd</sup> order eqn's  $\rightarrow y'' = F(x, y, y')$   $\Leftrightarrow$   $y' = v$   $v' = F(x, y, v)$

Linear equations are soluble on any compact domain (and thus on any interval)

PF:  stupid me, no existence problems!

Assume conj + P.D. (by contra.)

  $t(P h'^2 + Q h^2) + (1-t) h'^2$

Back to minimization:

Jacobi's saf. condition.  $\int_a^b F dx$ ; Suppose  $\tilde{y}$   $0, F$  is defined in  $[a-\epsilon, b+\epsilon]$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{y}$  is a min.

1.  $E-L$ .

2.  $F_{y'y} > 0$

3.  $[a, b]$  contains no conj. of  $a$ .

PF  $s(\tilde{y}+h) - s(\tilde{y}) = \int_a^b (P h'^2 + Q h^2) dx + \int_a^b (\eta h'^2 + \eta h^2) dx$

w/  $\eta, \eta' \rightarrow 0$  uniformly.  $h^2(x) = \left( \int_a^x h' dx \right)^2 \leq (x-a) \int_a^x h'^2 dx \leq (b-a) \int_a^b h'^2 dx$

$\Rightarrow$  for very small  $\|h\|$ , error term is  $< \epsilon_0 \int h'^2 dx$ .

subtract  $\epsilon_0$  from  $P$

next class unusual.

Morse theory.

# Is the moon there when nobody looks? Reality and the quantum theory

Einstein maintained that quantum metaphysics entails spooky actions at a distance; experiments have now shown that what bothered Einstein is not a debatable point but the observed behavior of the real world.

N. David Mermin

*Quantum mechanics is magic*<sup>1</sup>

In May 1935, Albert Einstein, Boris Podolsky and Nathan Rosen published<sup>2</sup> an argument that quantum mechanics fails to provide a complete description of physical reality. Today, 50 years later, the EPR paper and the theoretical and experimental work it inspired remain remarkable for the vivid illustration they provide of one of the most bizarre aspects of the world revealed to us by the quantum theory.

Einstein's talent for saying memorable things did him a disservice when he declared "God does not play dice," for it has been held ever since that the basis for his opposition to quantum mechanics was the claim that a fundamental understanding of the world can only be statistical. But the EPR paper, his most powerful attack on the quantum theory, focuses on quite a different aspect: the doctrine that physical properties have in general no objective reality independent of the act of observation. As Pascual Jordan put it<sup>3</sup>

Observations not only disturb what has to be measured, they produce it. . . . We compel [the electron] to assume a definite position. . . . We ourselves produce the results of measurement.

Jordan's statement is something of a truism for contemporary physicists. Underlying it, we have all been taught, is the disruption of what is being measured by the act of measurement, made unavoidable by the existence of the quantum of action, which generally makes it impossible even in principle to construct probes that can yield the information classical intu-

ition expects to be there.

Einstein didn't like this. He wanted things out there to have properties, whether or not they were measured<sup>4</sup>:

We often discussed his notions on objective reality. I recall that during one walk Einstein suddenly stopped, turned to me and asked whether I really believed that the moon exists only when I look at it.

The EPR paper describes a situation ingeniously contrived to force the quantum theory into asserting that properties in a space-time region **B** are the result of an act of measurement in another space-time region **A**, so far from **B** that there is no possibility of the measurement in **A** exerting an influence on region **B** by any known dynamical mechanism. Under these conditions, Einstein maintained that the properties in **A** must have existed all along.

## Spooky actions at a distance

Many of his simplest and most explicit statements of this position can be found in Einstein's correspondence with Max Born.<sup>5</sup> Throughout the book (which sometimes reads like a Nabokov novel), Born, pained by Einstein's distaste for the statistical character of the quantum theory, repeatedly fails, both in his letters and in his later commentary on the correspondence, to understand what is really bothering Einstein. Einstein tries over and over again, without success, to make himself clear. In March 1948, for example, he writes:

That which really exists in **B** should . . . not depend on what kind of measurement is carried out

in part of space **A**; it should also be independent of whether or not any measurement at all is carried out in space **A**. If one adheres to this program, one can hardly consider the quantum-theoretical description as a complete representation of the physically real. If one tries to do so in spite of this, one has to assume that the physically real in **B** suffers a sudden change as a result of a measurement in **A**. My instinct for physics bristles at this.

Or, in March 1947,

I cannot seriously believe in [the quantum theory] because it cannot be reconciled with the idea that physics should represent a reality in time and space, free from spooky actions at a distance.

The "spooky actions at a distance" (*spukhafte Fernwirkungen*) are the acquisition of a definite value of a property by the system in region **B** by virtue of the measurement carried out in region **A**. The EPR paper presents a wavefunction that describes two correlated particles, localized in regions **A** and **B**, far apart. In this particular two-particle state one can learn (in the sense of being able to predict with certainty the

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# Non-Commutative (Quantum) Probability

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**Claim:** In the quantum probability space  $(\mathbf{R}^4, v)$  where  $v$  is the unit vector  $v = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(0 \ 1 \ -1 \ 0)^T$ , one has  $p(A = B) = p(B = C) = p(C = D) = \frac{3}{4}$  and  $p(D = A) = 0$ , where  $A, B, C$ , and  $D$  are the random variables corresponding to the matrices:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} ; \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} ; \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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In[1]:= v=1/2 Sqrt[2] {0, 1, -1, 0}; q=1/2 Sqrt[3];
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In[2]:= A1=DiagonalMatrix[{1, 1, -1, -1}]; A4=DiagonalMatrix[{1, -1, 1, -1}];
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In[3]:= A2={{-1/2, q, 0, 0}, {q, 1/2, 0, 0}, {0, 0, -1/2, q}, {0, 0, q, 1/2}};
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In[4]:= A3={{-1/2, 0, -q, 0}, {0, -1/2, 0, -q}, {-q, 0, 1/2, 0}, {0, -q, 0, 1/2}};
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In[5]:= {Eigenvalues[A1], Eigenvalues[A2], Eigenvalues[A3], Eigenvalues[A4]}
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Out[5]= {{1, -1, 1, -1}, {1, -1, 1, -1}, {1, -1, 1, -1}, {1, -1, 1, -1}}
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In[6]:= {A1.A2==A2.A1, A2.A3==A3.A2, A3.A4==A4.A3, A4.A1==A1.A4}
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Out[6]= {True, True, True, True}
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In[7]:= pequal[M1_, M2_] := 1 - v . (M1 - M2) . (M1 - M2) . v / 4
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In[8]:= {pequal[A1, A2], pequal[A2, A3], pequal[A3, A4], pequal[A4, A1]}
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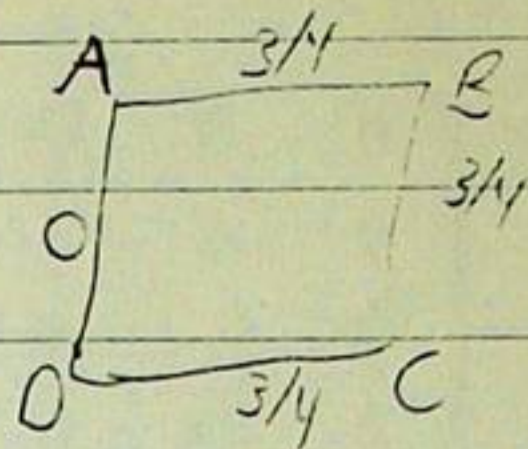
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Non Commutative (Quantum) probability. 3/31/92

5 1. The physical Paradox  
A B  
C D



3 2. Fact & Theory of evolution

7 3. Fact of probability stated finitely  $\{X_i\}$

5 4. Classical probability theory  $(\Sigma, \sigma, P_\alpha)$

3 5. leads to a paradox

3 6. minimal probability theory

10 7. Quantum probability theory  
 $P(X_i = \lambda) = \int_{\sigma} \rho(x) \chi_\lambda(x) dx$  where

$P_\lambda(x) \rightarrow$  orthogonal projection on the  $\lambda$  eigenspace.

3 8. It is known that

$\{\text{classical}\} \subset \{\text{quantum}\} \subset \{\text{minimal?}\}$   
(which is some maximal)

1 9. Exact relation isn't known

5 10. Do example.

# Two Examples in Noncommutative Probability

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*A simple noncommutative probability theory is presented, and two examples for the difference between that theory and the classical theory are shown. The first example is the well-known formulation of the Heisenberg uncertainty principle in terms of a variance inequality and the second example is an interpretation of the Bell paradox in terms of noncommutative probability.*

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

We shall present here a simple yet representative version of the theory of noncommutative probability, including two examples of the difference between that theory and the classical probability theory. The first is a precise formulation of the Heisenberg uncertainty principle, while the second constitutes a strong indication for the existence of random phenomena in nature explainable only by assuming that the probability space in which we live is noncommutative.

## 2. THE CLASSICAL PROBABILITY THEORY

**Definition.** A classical probability space is a triple  $(X, B, p)$  consisting of

$X$ , a collection of points,

$B$ , a subcollection of the collection of all functions  $f: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  satisfying some simple closure properties, and

$p$ , a probability measure on  $(X, B)$ .

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$G' = G - E(G)I$ . We obtain, after some manipulation,

$$\begin{aligned} V(F') &= \langle w, (F - E(F)I)^2 w \rangle - \langle w, (F - E(F)I)w \rangle^2 = \langle w, (F - E(F)I)^2 w \rangle \\ &= \langle w, F^2 w \rangle - \langle w, Fw \rangle^2 = V(F). \end{aligned}$$

In the same manner, one obtains  $V(G') = V(G)$ . Now:

$$\begin{aligned} V(F)V(G) &= V(F')V(G') = \langle w, F'^2 w \rangle \langle w, G'^2 w \rangle = \langle F'w, F'w \rangle \langle G'w, G'w \rangle \\ &\geq |\langle F'w, G'w \rangle|^2 = |\langle w, F'G'w \rangle|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left| \langle w, \frac{1}{2} [F', G']w \rangle + \langle w, \frac{1}{2} \{F', G'\}w \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\geq \left| \langle w, \frac{1}{2} [F', G']w \rangle \right|^2 = \frac{1}{4} |E([F', G'])|^2, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact that the anticommutator  $\{F', G'\}$  is always self-adjoint, while the commutator is always anti-self-adjoint. The corresponding expectation values are therefore respectively real and imaginary. We conclude by noting that  $[F', G'] = [F, G]$ .

In quantum mechanics, a vector  $w$  in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  represents the state of a quantum particle, the operator  $(Fu)(x) = xu(x)$  represents the random variable whose distribution is the position of the particle, and the operator

$$Gu = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u \quad (\hbar \text{ is the Planck constant})$$

represents the random variable whose distribution is the momentum distribution of the same particle. The identity  $[F, G] = i\hbar I$  now makes our theorem the Heisenberg uncertainty principle:

"In any state of a quantum particle:

$$(\text{variance of position}) \times (\text{variance of momentum}) \geq \frac{1}{4} \hbar^2$$

## 5. SECOND EXAMPLE: THE BELL PARADOX<sup>3,4,5,9)</sup>

Phrases like, "choose at random one of three given random variables", have no direct meaning in classical probability, but they can easily be given a meaning by defining a new

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Fact of Prob:

$$(S = \{a, b, c\}; J, P)$$

classical prob:

$$(\Omega, \mathcal{P}, S, F)$$

Quantum prob:

$\mathcal{H}, v, S, F$

$$(\mathcal{H}, v, S, F)$$

$\Pi_A(F): \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  spectral projection

$$S_t = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2t & \sin 2t \\ \sin 2t & -\cos 2t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_t = S_t \otimes I \quad B_t = -I \otimes S_t$$

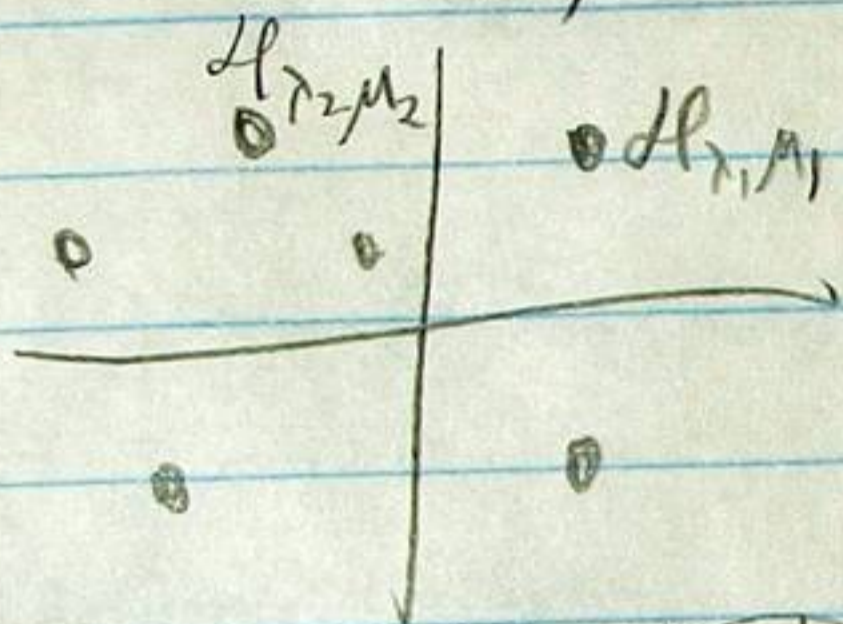
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Spectral thm for a pair of commuting S.A. operators:  
 $[F_1, F_2] = 0$ :

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{(\lambda, \mu)} \mathcal{H}_{\lambda, \mu} \quad (\text{ortho.}) \quad F_1|_{\mathcal{H}_{\lambda, \mu}} = \lambda Id$$

$$F_2|_{\mathcal{H}_{\lambda, \mu}} = \mu Id$$



NCP:

$$QP: P(F_a = \lambda, F_b = \mu) = \|\prod_{\lambda, \mu} V_{\lambda, \mu}\|^2$$

$h$ : poly. in two vars.

Thm  $E(h(F_a, F_b)) = \langle V_0, h(F_a, F_b)V_0 \rangle$

$$\sum_{(\lambda, \mu)} h(\lambda, \mu) \cdot P(F_a = \lambda, F_b = \mu)$$

PF write  $V_0 = \sum_{(\lambda, \mu)} V_{\lambda, \mu}$

Example  $P_{eq}(a, b) = \langle V_0, (I - \frac{(a-b)^2}{4}) V_0 \rangle = 1 - \frac{\langle V_0, (a-b)^2 V_0 \rangle}{4}$

(given that  $a, b$  are supported on  $\pm 1$ )

Thm  $F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4$  cannot be achieved in Quantum Prob.  
 PF:  $F_1 V_0 = F_2 V_0 = F_3 V_0 = F_4 V_0$

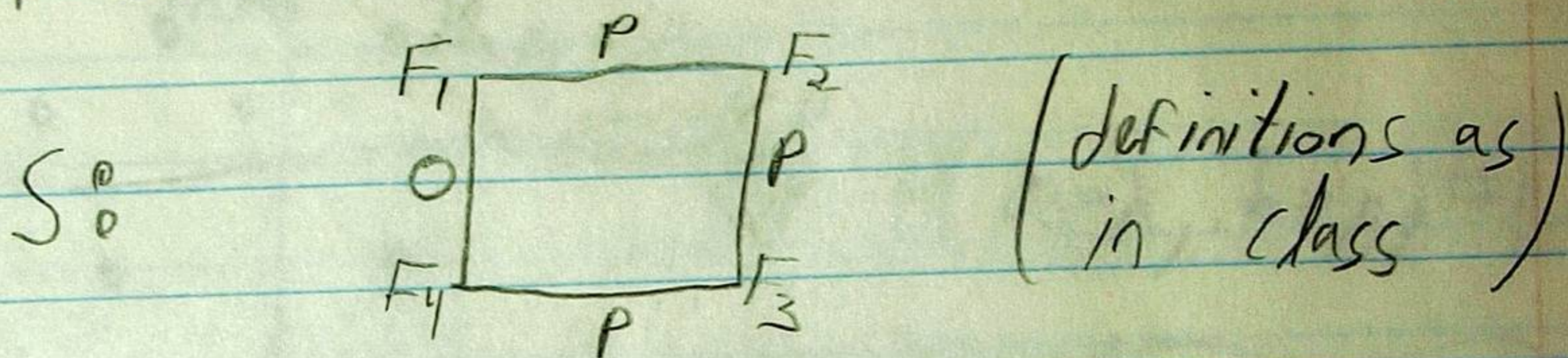
Q: Give a criterion for a fact to be classical | Thm QPSCP.  
 Give a criterion for a fact to be quantum  
 (both are open!)

IF time - back to Mermin  
 2. analyze P, Q.

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1. Complete the proof of the fact that every classical probability fact is also a quantum probability fact.

\*2. In class we've shown that the square



cannot be represented by a quantum prob. space for  $P=1$ , and can be represented as such for  $P=3/4$ . What is "the critical  $P$ " in which  $S$  becomes non-quantum? And when does it become classical?

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( $\mathcal{A} = L^2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $V = \Psi$ ,  $Q = M. by q$ ,  $P = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ )

1. is  $Q$  S.A.?  
2. What is the dist of  $Q$ ?  
3. is  $Q$  S.A.?  
4. What is the dist of  $Q$ ?  
 $L^2(\mathbb{R}_q) \xrightarrow{P} L^2(\mathbb{R}_p)$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $\mathbb{R}_p \xrightarrow{Q} \mathbb{R}_q$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $\mathbb{R}_p$   
( $P\Psi = \hbar p\Psi$ )

Expectation value, Variance

$$CCR: [P, Q] = i\hbar I$$

Thm  $V(P)V(Q) \geq \frac{1}{4}\hbar^2$

The EPR paradox.

Gaussians.

# Math 117 - Quantum mechanical plan: (11 classes left)

1. Finish Heisenberg uncertainty.
2. Square well, Potential barrier.
3. Harmonic Oscillator.
4. Rotations,  $SU(2)$ ,  $SO(3)$ , - - - Zeeman effect?
5. Von-Neumann uniqueness thm (math. annals 104 1931 570-578  
(Von-Neumann's paper))
6. The Hydrogen Atom.
7. Justification of rd. with path integrals
8. ADA, linking, self linking
9. Rad. Pert theory, My PDS thm!



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Stone-von-Neuman Uniqueness Theorem:

We are given two continuous unitary representations  $U$  &  $V$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  in a separable Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ , satisfying the Weyl form of the CCR:

$$U(\alpha)V(\beta) = e^{i\alpha \cdot \beta} V(\beta)U(\alpha),$$

and we wish to prove that  $\mathcal{H}$  can be decomposed into countably (possibly finitely) many invariant subspaces, each of them unitarily equivalent to  $\mathcal{H}_0 = L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$(U_0(\alpha)\phi)(q) = \phi(q + \alpha) \quad (V_0(\beta)\phi)(q) = e^{i\beta \cdot q} \phi(q)$$

(E.g. there exists unitary  $A: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_0$  s.t. for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :  
 $U(\alpha) = A^{-1}U_0(\alpha)A$  and  $V(\beta) = A^{-1}V_0(\beta)A$ )

Equivalently, one defines  $S(\alpha, \beta) = e^{-i\frac{\alpha \cdot \beta}{2}} U(\alpha)V(\beta)$ , and proves a uniqueness theorem for irreducible continuous unitary projective representations  $S(\alpha, \beta)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^{2n}$  satisfying:

$$(*) \quad S(\alpha, \beta)S(\gamma, \delta) = e^{i\frac{1}{2}(\alpha \cdot \delta - \beta \cdot \gamma)} S(\alpha + \gamma, \beta + \delta)$$

The idea of the proof: To "reconstruct"  $\mathcal{H}$  using only the  $S(\alpha, \beta)$ -s and their property (\*). E.g.: To show that the  $S(\alpha, \beta)$ -s determine canonically a cyclic vector  $\Phi$  for  $\mathcal{H}$ , in such a way that the norms of all the  $S(\alpha, \beta)\Phi$ -s is given explicitly. E.g.: We shall show that the operator  $E$  defined by:

$$(\#) \quad E = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \iint d^n \alpha d^n \beta e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)} S(\alpha, \beta)$$

(one can verify that on  $\mathcal{H}_0$   $E$  is the projection on the one dimensional subspace of  $\mathcal{H}_0$  generated by:  
 $\Phi_0(q) = \pi^{-n/4} e^{-\frac{1}{2}q^2}$ )

is a projection operator satisfying  $(\phi, \psi \in E\mathcal{H})$

$$\langle S(\alpha, \beta)\phi, S(\gamma, \delta)\psi \rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha - \delta)^2 - \frac{1}{4}(\beta - \delta)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\beta \cdot \delta - \alpha \cdot \delta)} \langle \phi, \psi \rangle.$$

After the general idea of the proof is clear, we can proceed to the technical details:

First, a lemma that will enable us to "integrate" operators:

Lemma 1: If  $\lambda(\psi, \phi)$  is a sesquilinear form defined on  $\mathcal{H}$  and satisfying

$$|\lambda(\psi, \phi)| \leq C \|\psi\| \|\phi\| \quad \forall \phi, \psi \in \mathcal{H}$$

for a constant  $C$ , then there exists a uniquely determined operator  $A$  on  $\mathcal{H}$  with:

$$\lambda(\psi, \phi) = \langle \psi, A\phi \rangle; \quad \|A\| \leq C.$$

Proof: a trivial application of Riesz's theorem.

Definition 1: For  $a \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$  define

$$S(a) = \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta a(\alpha, \beta) S(\alpha, \beta)$$

to be the operator  $A$  corresponding to the sesquilinear form:

$$\lambda_a(\phi, \psi) = \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta a(\alpha, \beta) \langle \phi, S(\alpha, \beta) \psi \rangle$$

one can verify that:

$$|\lambda_a(\phi, \psi)| \leq \|a\|_{L^1} \cdot \|\phi\| \|\psi\|; \quad \|S(a)\| \leq \|a\|_{L^1}$$

Lemma 2: a)  $S(a+b) = S(a) + S(b)$

b)  $S(ra) = rS(a) \quad (r \in \mathbb{C})$

c)  $S(a)^* = S(\hat{a})$  where  $\hat{a}(\alpha, \beta) = \bar{a}(-\alpha, -\beta)$

Proof: a), b) are trivial. For proving c), notice that by (\*),

$$S(\alpha, \beta)^* = S(-\alpha, -\beta), \text{ and}$$

$$\langle \phi, S(a)^* \psi \rangle = \overline{\langle \psi, S(a) \phi \rangle} = \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta \overline{a(\alpha, \beta)} \langle \psi, S(\alpha, \beta) \phi \rangle =$$

$$= \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta \bar{a}(\alpha, \beta) \langle \phi, S(-\alpha, -\beta) \psi \rangle = \lambda_{\hat{a}}(\phi, \psi)$$

Lemma 3: a)  $S(a)S(\gamma, \delta) = S(a')$  where  $a'(\alpha, \beta) = e^{\frac{i}{2}(\alpha \cdot \delta - \beta \cdot \gamma)} a(\alpha - \gamma, \beta - \delta)$   
 b)  $S(\gamma, \delta)S(a) = S(a'')$  where  $a''(\alpha, \beta) = e^{-\frac{i}{2}(\alpha \cdot \delta - \beta \cdot \gamma)} a(\alpha - \gamma, \beta - \delta)$

Proof: we shall prove only a:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi, S(a)S(\gamma, \delta)\psi \rangle &= \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta a(\alpha, \beta) \langle \phi, S(\alpha, \beta)S(\gamma, \delta)\psi \rangle = \\ &= \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta e^{\frac{i}{2}(\alpha \cdot \delta - \beta \cdot \gamma)} a(\alpha, \beta) \langle \phi, S(\alpha + \gamma, \beta + \delta)\psi \rangle = \\ &= \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta e^{\frac{i}{2}((\alpha - \gamma) \cdot \delta - (\beta - \delta) \cdot \gamma)} a(\alpha - \gamma, \beta - \delta) \langle \phi, S(\alpha, \beta)\psi \rangle = \\ &= \langle \phi, S(a')\psi \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4:  $S(a)S(b) = S(c)$ , where  $c(\gamma, \delta) = \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta e^{\pm i(\alpha \cdot \beta - \delta \cdot \gamma)} a(\gamma - \alpha, \delta - \beta) b(\alpha, \beta)$

Proof: As usual:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi, S(a)S(b)\psi \rangle &= \langle S(a)^* \phi, S(b)\psi \rangle = \\ &= \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta b(\alpha, \beta) \langle S(a)^* \phi, S(\alpha, \beta)\psi \rangle = \\ &= \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta b(\alpha, \beta) \langle \phi, S(a)S(\alpha, \beta)\psi \rangle = \\ &= \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta b(\alpha, \beta) \int d^n \gamma d^n \delta e^{\frac{i}{2}(\beta \cdot \delta - \alpha \cdot \gamma)} a(\delta - \alpha, \delta - \beta) \langle \phi, S(\gamma, \delta)\psi \rangle = \\ &= \langle \phi, S(c)\psi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5: If  $S(a) = 0$ , then  $a = 0$  a.e.

Proof:  $S(a) = 0 \Rightarrow S(-\gamma, -\delta)S(a)S(\gamma, \delta) = 0 \Rightarrow \forall \gamma, \delta, \phi, \psi$

$$\int d^n \alpha d^n \beta e^{i(\alpha \cdot \delta - \beta \cdot \gamma)} a(\alpha, \beta) \langle \phi, S(\alpha, \beta)\psi \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow$$

(Fourier transform)  $a(\alpha, \beta) \langle \phi, S(\alpha, \beta)\psi \rangle = 0$  a.e.  $\xrightarrow{\phi \in \text{cons, superability}}$

$\Rightarrow a(\alpha, \beta)S(\alpha, \beta)\psi = 0$  a.e.  $\xrightarrow{S(\alpha, \beta) \text{ is unitary}}$   $a(\alpha, \beta) = 0$  a.e.

Definition 2:

$$E = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int d^n \alpha d^n \beta e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)} S(\alpha, \beta)$$

This is not a part of the proof, but however, it is interesting to find what is  $E$  in the standard representation:

Begin with

$$\begin{aligned} (S(\alpha, \beta) \phi)(q) &= e^{-\frac{i}{2} \alpha \cdot \beta} (V(\alpha) V(\beta) \phi)(q) = e^{-\frac{i}{2} \alpha \cdot \beta} (V(\beta) \phi)(q + \alpha) = \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{2} \alpha \cdot \beta} e^{i \beta \cdot q} \phi(q + \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

to find that:

$$\begin{aligned} (E \phi)(\alpha) &= \int d^n \alpha' d^n \beta' \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha'^2 + \beta'^2)} e^{\frac{i}{2} \alpha' \cdot \beta'} e^{i \beta' \cdot \alpha} \phi(q + \alpha) = \\ &= \pi^{-\frac{n}{2}} \int d^n \alpha' e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\alpha' + \alpha)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \alpha'^2} \phi(\alpha' + \alpha) = \end{aligned}$$

$$= \pi^{-\frac{n}{4}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \alpha^2} \int d^n \alpha' \pi^{-\frac{n}{4}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \alpha'^2} \phi(\alpha') = \Phi_0 \cdot \langle \Phi_0, \phi \rangle$$

where  $\Phi_0(q) = \pi^{-\frac{n}{4}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} q^2}$ .

Back to our main line:

Lemma 6:  $E = E^* \neq 0$

Proof by lemma 2c and lemma 5

Lemma 7:  $ES(\gamma, \delta)E = e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\gamma^2 + \delta^2)} E$

Proof a)  $E = S(a_0)$  where  $a_0(\alpha, \beta) = (2\pi)^{-n} e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)}$

b)  $S(\gamma, \delta)E = S(a_1)$  where  $a_1(\alpha, \beta) = e^{-\frac{i}{2}(\alpha \cdot \delta - \beta \cdot \gamma)} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} e^{-\frac{1}{4}((\alpha - \gamma)^2 + (\beta - \delta)^2)}$

c)  $ES(\gamma, \delta)E = S(a_0)S(a_1) = S(a_2)$  where

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2n}} \int d^n \rho d^n \sigma e^{\frac{i}{2}(\alpha \cdot \sigma - \beta \cdot \rho)} e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha - \rho)^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\beta - \sigma)^2} e^{-\frac{i}{2}(\rho \cdot \delta - \sigma \cdot \gamma)} e^{-\frac{1}{4}((\rho - \gamma)^2 + (\sigma - \delta)^2)} =$$

by calculating gaussian integrals (or avoiding this, as in the text):

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\gamma^2 + \delta^2)} = e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 + \delta^2)} a_0(\alpha, \beta)$$

Lemma 8:  $E$  is an orthogonal projection.

Proof: Immediate from Lemma 6 & Lemma 7.

Lemma 9: If  $\phi, \psi \in E\mathcal{H}$  then

$$\langle S(\alpha, \beta)\phi, S(\gamma, \delta)\psi \rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha-\gamma)^2 - \frac{1}{4}(\beta-\delta)^2 + \frac{i}{2}(\beta\gamma - \alpha\delta)}$$

Proof L.h.s. =  $\langle S(\alpha, \beta)E\phi, S(\gamma, \delta)E\psi \rangle = \langle \phi, E S(-\alpha, -\beta) S(\gamma, \delta) E \psi \rangle =$   
 $= e^{\frac{i}{2}(\beta\gamma - \alpha\delta)} \langle \phi, E S(\gamma - \alpha, \delta - \beta) E \psi \rangle = \text{r.h.s.}$

And strange as it might seem to be, this is

Q.E.D.

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Reminder - gradables should talk to me.

$$Q = q, P = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial q} \quad [P, Q] = i\hbar I$$

Prove

$$V(P)V(Q) \geq |\langle v_0, [P, Q]v_0 \rangle + \langle v_0, \{P, Q\}v_0 \rangle|^2$$

- Claims
1.  $P, Q$  are S.A.
  2.  $\{P, Q\}$  is SA, 2<sup>nd</sup> summand is real.
  3.  $[P, Q] = i\hbar I$
  4. QED.

EPR paradox, EPR form

Gaussians  $v_0 = \psi_0$  for  $\hbar = 1 \Rightarrow V(Q) = \frac{\sigma}{2}$

$$v_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi\sigma}} e^{-\frac{q^2}{2\sigma}}$$

$$\hbar = 1 \Rightarrow V(P) = \frac{1}{2\sigma}$$

Von-Neumann uniqueness thm: ( $\hbar = 1$ )

$H$  S.A.  $\rightarrow U_t = e^{itH}$  is unitary, sat.  $U_{t_1+t_2} = U_{t_1} \cdot U_{t_2}$

examples

$$U_\alpha = e^{i\alpha P} \quad (U_\alpha \phi)(q) = \phi(q + \alpha)$$
$$V_\beta = e^{i\beta Q} \quad (V_\beta \phi)(q) = e^{i\beta q} \phi(q)$$

claim  $[P, Q] = iI \Rightarrow U_\alpha V_\beta = e^{i\alpha\beta} V_\beta U_\alpha$

PF if first, show  $U_\alpha Q U_\alpha^{-1} = Q - i\alpha I$

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The Weyl form of the CCR:

$$U_\alpha V_\beta = e^{i\alpha\beta} V(\beta) U(\alpha)$$

Let  $S(\alpha, \beta) = e^{-\frac{i\alpha\beta}{2}} U_\alpha V_\beta$ ,  $\left( \begin{array}{l} 1. S \text{ is unitary} \\ 2. S(\alpha, \beta) \cdot S(\delta, \rho) = \text{Scalar} \cdot S(\alpha+\delta, \beta+\rho) \end{array} \right)$

$$E = \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint d\alpha d\beta e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)} S(\alpha, \beta)$$

We will prove:

1.  $E$  is an orthogonal projection

2.  $\text{im } E \neq \{0\}$

3.  $\phi, \psi \in \text{im } E \Rightarrow$

$$\langle S(\alpha, \beta)\phi, S(\delta, \rho)\psi \rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{4}(\alpha-\delta)^2 - \frac{1}{4}(\beta-\rho)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\beta\delta - \alpha\rho)} \langle \phi, \psi \rangle$$

4.  $\text{im } E_0$  is 1-D.

Claim: This proves the von-Neumann uniqueness thm.

Indeed: 1.  $\text{span} \{ S(\alpha, \beta)\phi : \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}, \phi \in \text{im } E \} = \mathcal{H}$

2.  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{H}_n$  ;  $\mathcal{H}_i = \text{span} \{ S(\alpha, \beta)v_i \}$

3. Each  $\mathcal{H}_i$  is iso to  $\mathcal{H}_0$ ;

$$\text{map } v_i \xrightarrow{L_i} v_0$$

$$S(\alpha, \beta)v_i \xrightarrow{L_i} S(\alpha, \beta)v_0$$

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Comments: 1. Ours is von-Neumann's, but ...  
 2. Following Markey, ... Fred

$$E = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\alpha d\beta e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)} S(\alpha, \beta)$$

by a messy computation

$$E S(\alpha, \beta) E = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)} E \Rightarrow E^2 = E$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle S(\alpha, \beta) \phi, S(\alpha, \beta) \psi \rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)} \langle \phi, \psi \rangle$$

for  $\phi, \psi \in E^\perp$

E is non-zero!

End of statics, begin dynamics:  $H(p, q) = \frac{1}{2}(p^2 + q^2)$

Heiz. pic.

Schro. Pic

$p, \psi_0$  remain cons.  
 ~~$\psi_0$~~  observables evolving

$\psi$  evolving  
 $p$ , observables fixed

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q^2} + \frac{1}{2} q^2 \quad ; \quad \theta \quad ; \quad i \frac{d\theta}{dt} = [\theta, H] \Rightarrow$$

$$\theta_t = e^{-itH} \theta_0 e^{itH} \quad \text{in Heiz. pic.}$$

In sch. pic:  $\psi_t = e^{-itH} \psi_0 \quad \frac{d\psi_t}{dt} = -iH\psi \quad (\text{sch. eqn})$

Eigvals of H - energy levels. Cons. of energy.



Math 117, Apr 20 1994, cont.  $[P, Q] = -iI$

Most important example:  $H = \frac{1}{2}(P^2 + Q^2)$

Comment:  $[, ]$  sat. Leib:  $[A, BC] = [A, B]C + B[A, C]$

$$\Rightarrow [P, H] = -iQ, [Q, H] = +iP \quad (P, Q \sim \sin, \cos; \text{ better look at exp})$$

set

$$a = (Q + iP)/\sqrt{2} \quad a^\dagger = a^* = (Q - iP)/\sqrt{2}$$

(annihilation op.) (creation op.)

& get

$$[H, a] = -a; [H, a^\dagger] = a^\dagger \quad [a, a^\dagger] = I$$

Finally, set  $N = a^\dagger a = H - \frac{1}{2}I$  "the number operator".

Let  $\mathcal{H}_n = \{\psi \in \mathcal{H} : N\psi = n\psi\}$  ( $n \geq 0$ )

claim

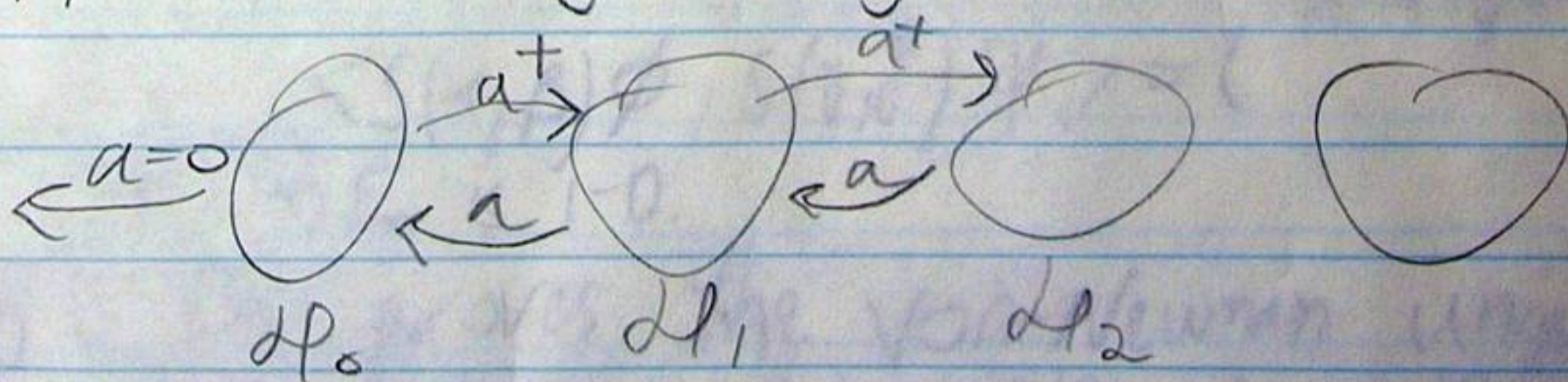
$$a\mathcal{H}_n \subset \mathcal{H}_{n-1}, \quad a^\dagger\mathcal{H}_n \subset \mathcal{H}_{n+1}$$

(energy  $\geq \frac{1}{2}$ )

$$\|a\psi_n\| = \sqrt{n}\|\psi_n\|, \quad \|a^\dagger\psi_n\| = \sqrt{n+1}\|\psi_n\|$$

concl:

$n$  is a non-negative integer.



"Quantum  
mechanics"  
!

enough to understand  $\mathcal{H}_0$ :

on  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$\Rightarrow \psi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}q} \quad -\left(q + \frac{\partial}{\partial q}\right)\psi_0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n!}} \left(q - \frac{\partial}{\partial q}\right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2}q} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}q} H_n(q)$$

Hermite Pol.

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In[1]:= psi[n_] := Simplify[1/Sqrt[2^n n!] *
  Nest[Expand[q*#1 - D[#1, q]] &, Exp[-(q^2/2)], n]
]
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In[2]:= Do[
  Print["psi[",n,"] = ",psi[n]];
  Print["\n"],
  {n,0,12}]
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$$\text{psi}[0] = e^{-q^2/2}$$

$$\text{psi}[1] = \frac{\sqrt{2} q}{q^{1/2} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[2] = \frac{-1 + 2q^2}{\sqrt{2} q^{1/2} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[3] = \frac{q(-3 + 2q^2)}{q^{1/2} \sqrt{3} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[4] = \frac{3 - 12q^2 + 4q^4}{2 q^{1/2} \sqrt{6} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[5] = \frac{q(15 - 20q^2 + 4q^4)}{2 q^{1/2} \sqrt{15} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[6] = \frac{-15 + 90q^2 - 60q^4 + 8q^6}{12 q^{1/2} \sqrt{5} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[7] = \frac{q(-105 + 210q^2 - 84q^4 + 8q^6)}{6 q^{1/2} \sqrt{70} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[8] = \frac{105 - 840q^2 + 840q^4 - 224q^6 + 16q^8}{24 q^{1/2} \sqrt{70} e}$$

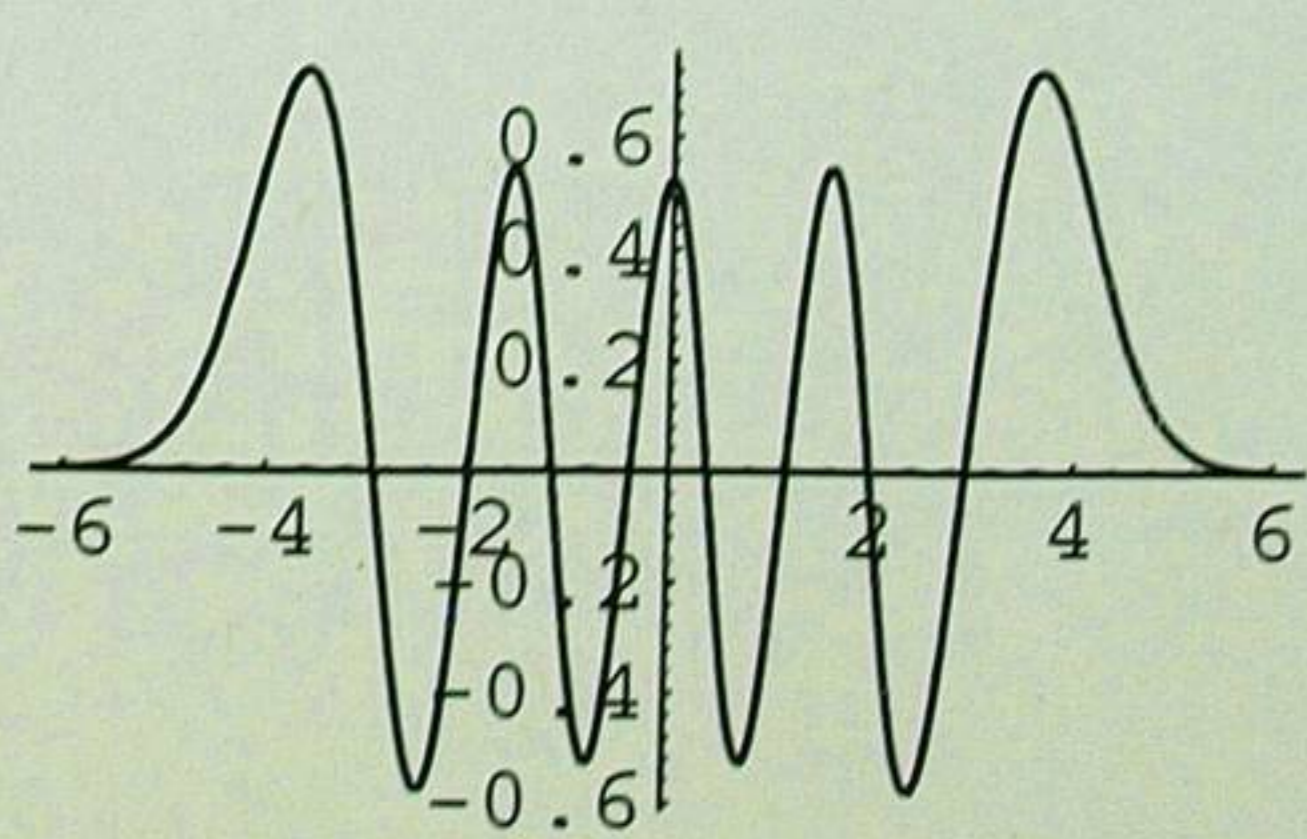
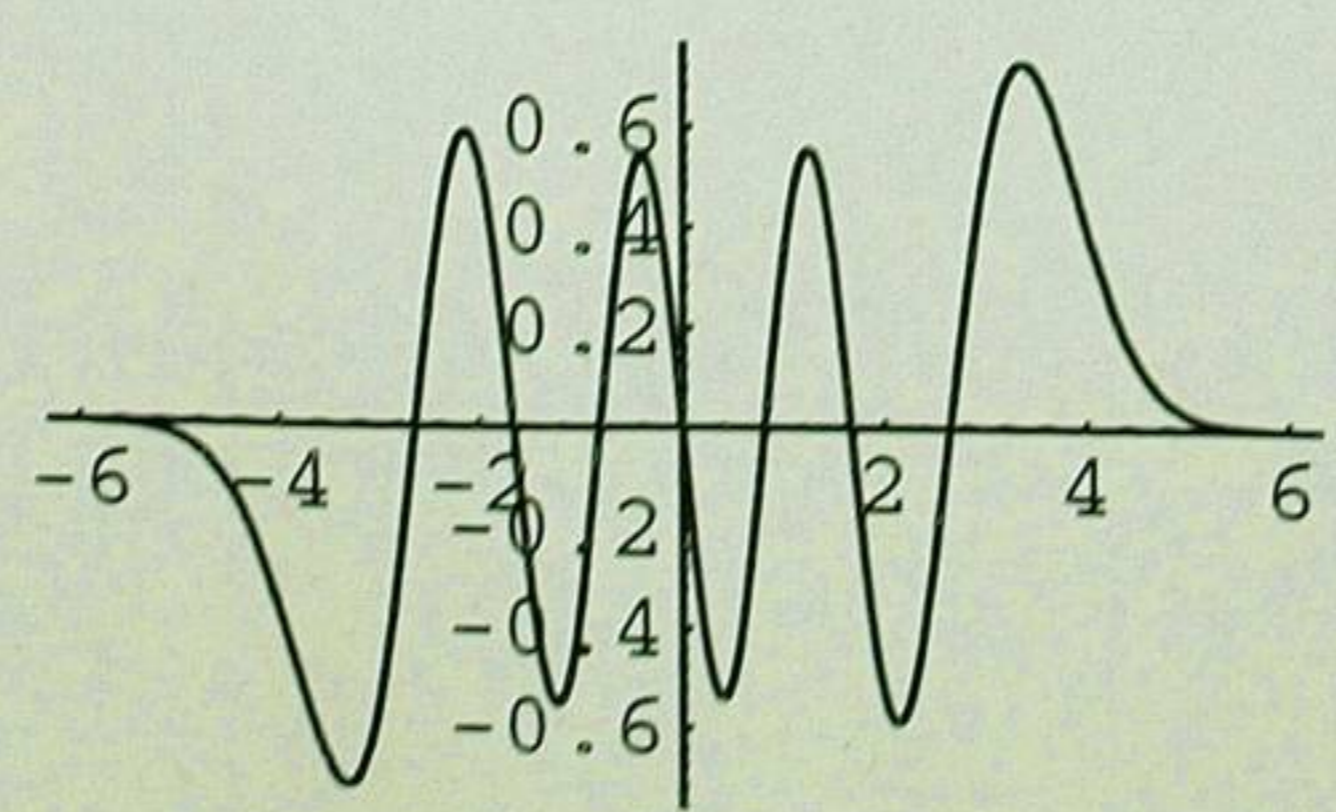
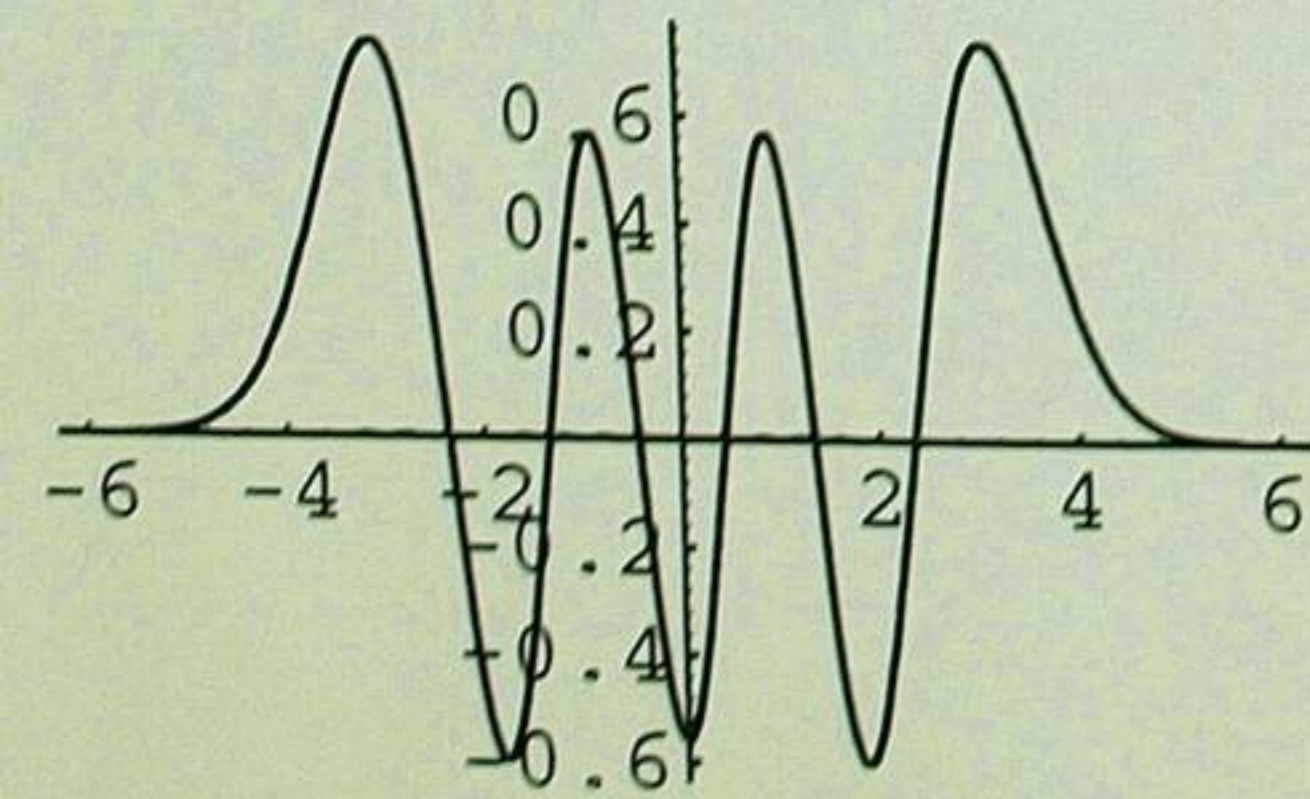
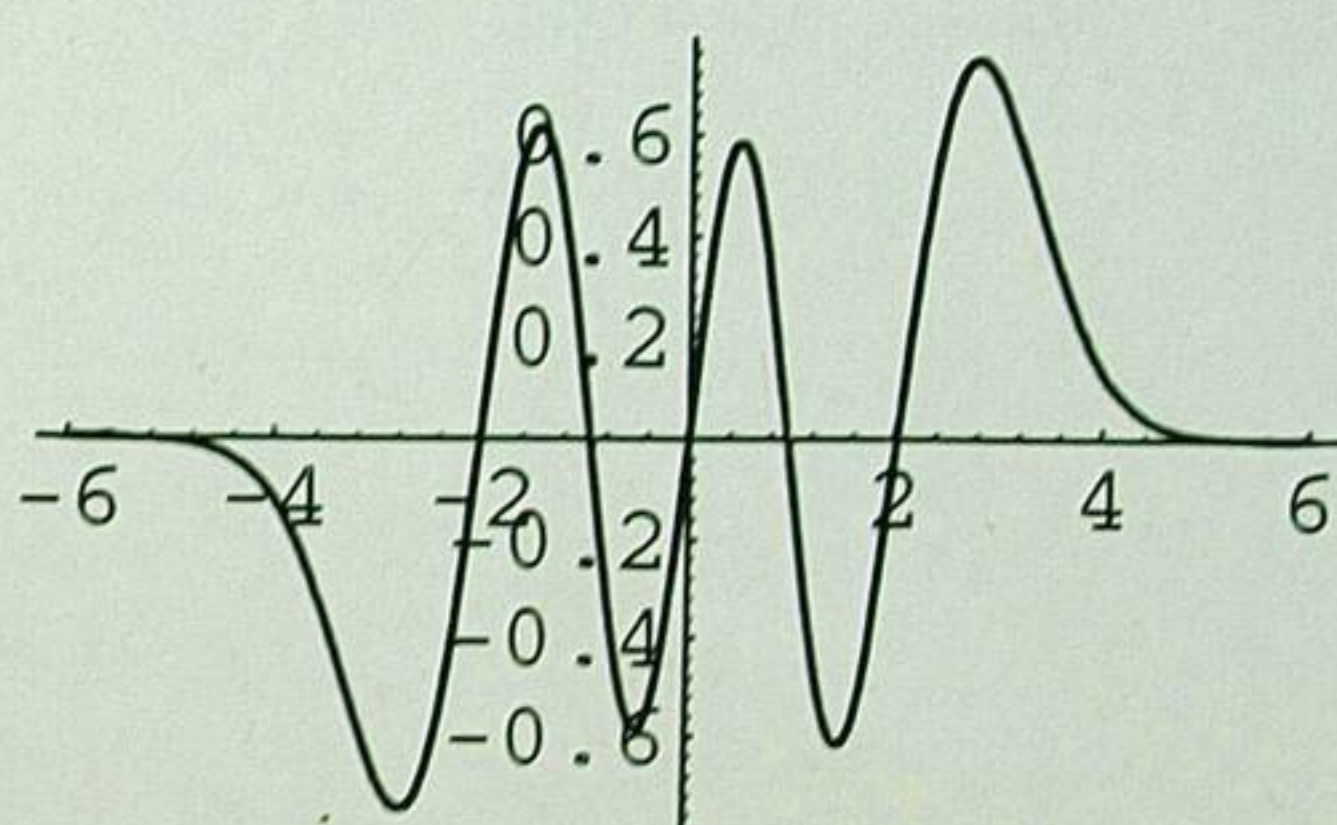
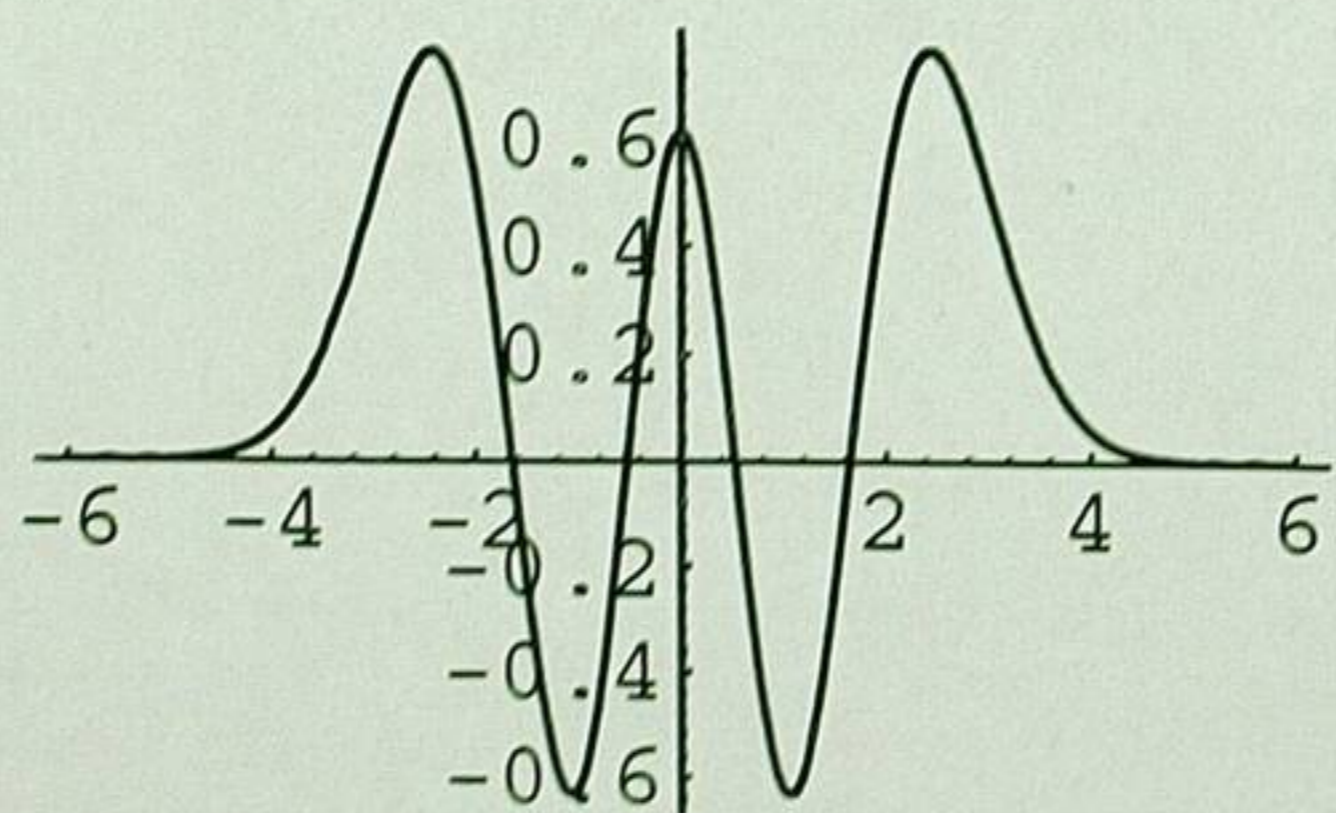
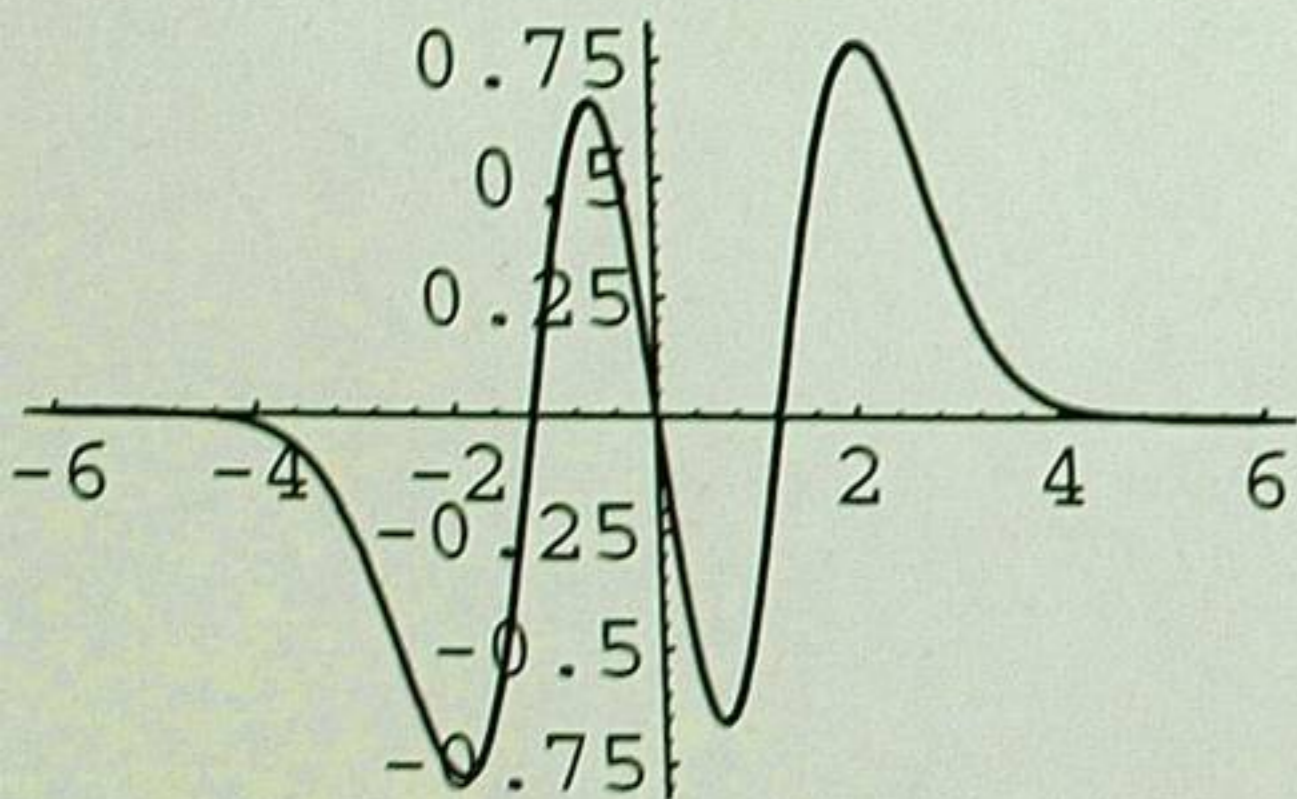
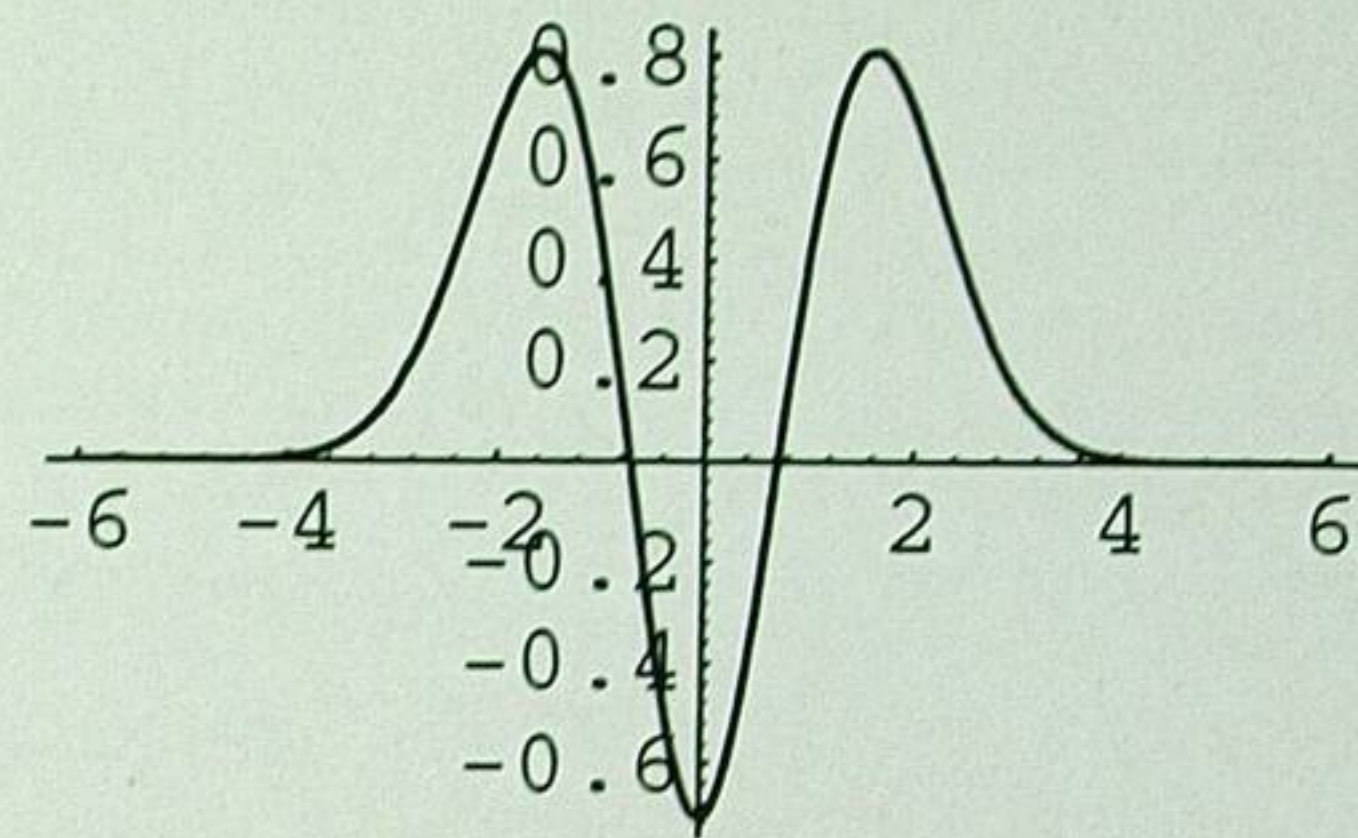
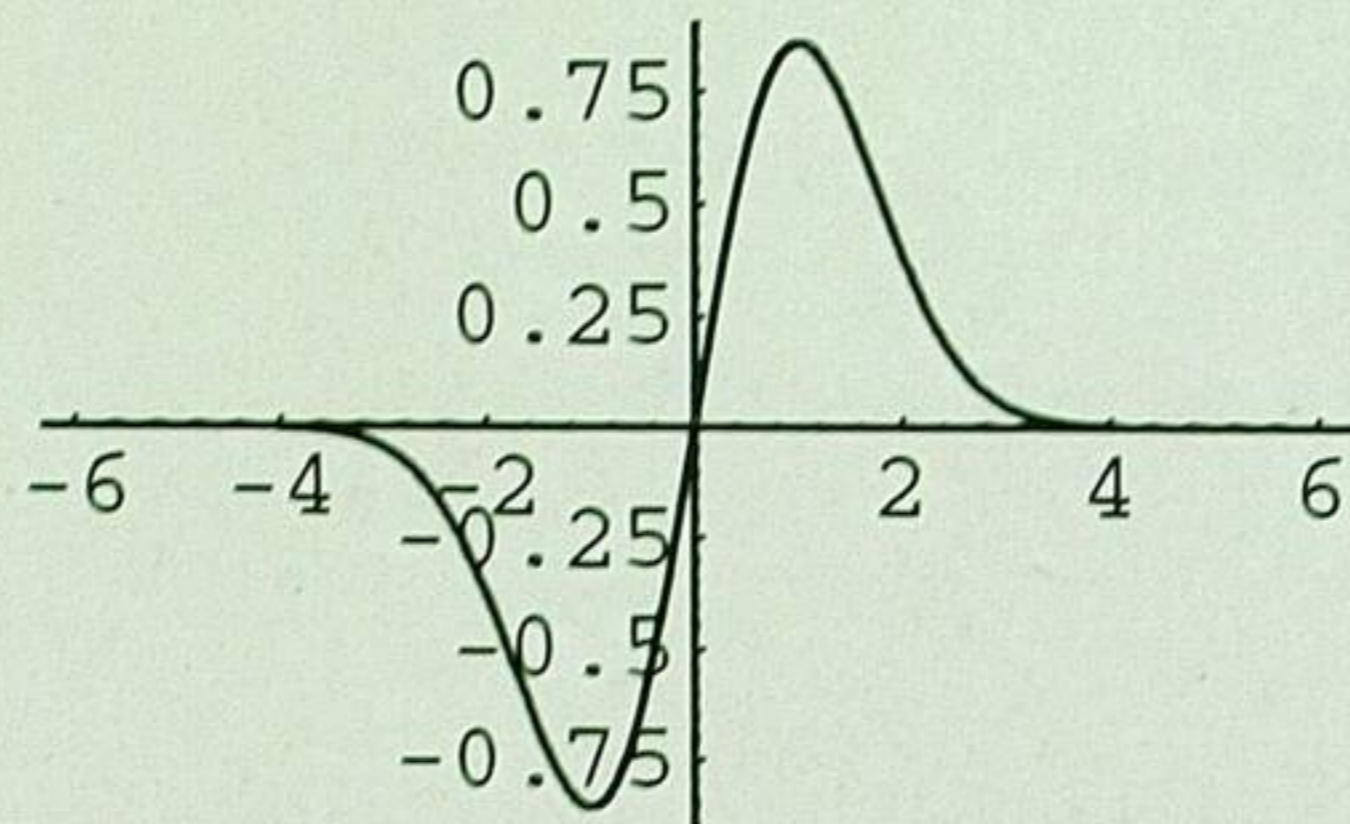
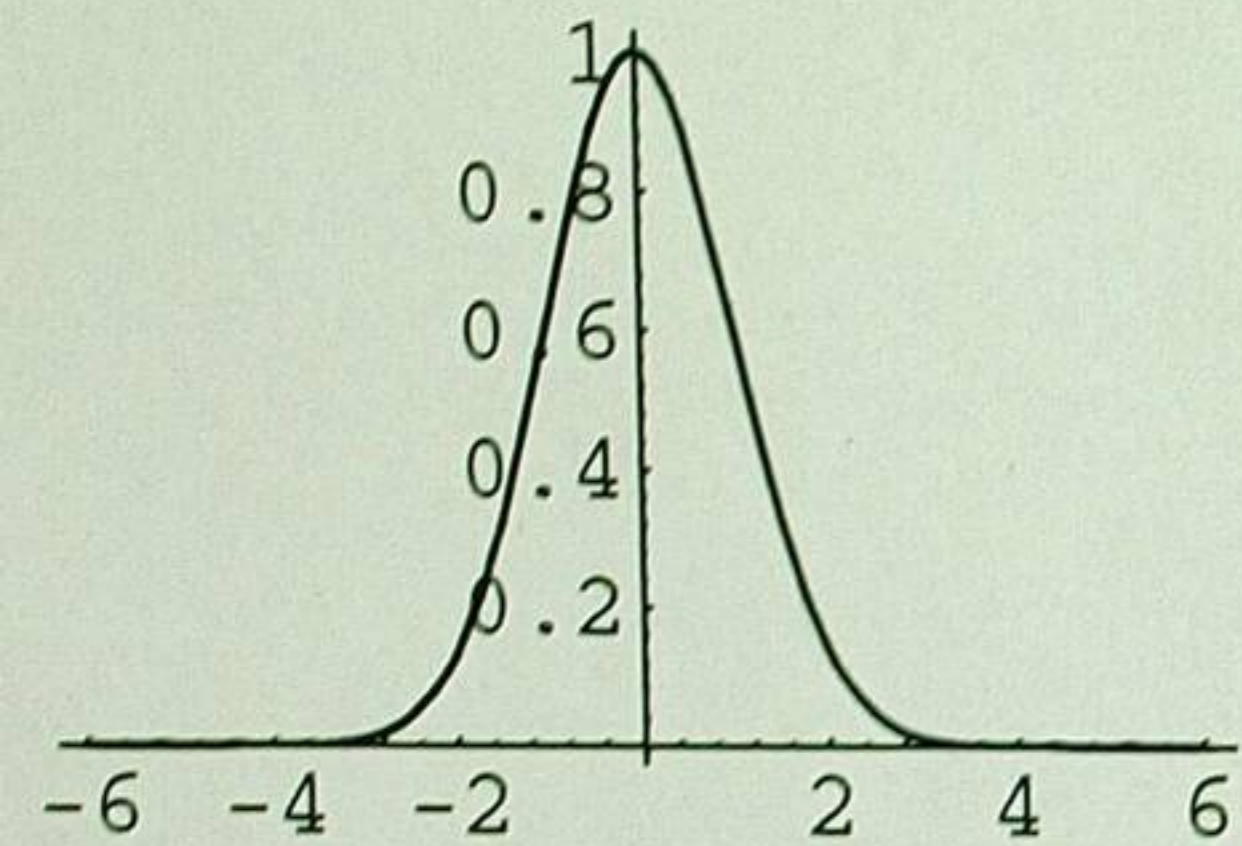
$$\text{psi}[9] = \frac{q(945 - 2520q^2 + 1512q^4 - 288q^6 + 16q^8)}{72 q^{1/2} \sqrt{35} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[10] = \frac{-945 + 9450q^2 - 12600q^4 + 5040q^6 - 720q^8 + 32q^{10}}{720 q^{1/2} \sqrt{7} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[11] = \frac{q(-10395 + 34650q^2 - 27720q^4 + 7920q^6 - 880q^8 + 32q^{10})}{360 q^{1/2} \sqrt{154} e}$$

$$\text{psi}[12] = \frac{10395 - 124740q^2 + 207900q^4 - 110880q^6 + 23760q^8 - 2112q^{10} + 64q^{12}}{1440 q^{1/2} \sqrt{231} e}$$

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In[3]:= Show[
  GraphicsArray[Table[Plot[Evaluate[psi[3i+j]], {q,-6,6}], {i,0,2}, {j,0,2}]]
]
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Finish Harmonic oscillator:

$$\psi_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n!}} \left( q - \frac{d}{dq} \right)^n e^{-q^2/2} = \underbrace{H_n(q)}_{\text{Hermite}} e^{-q^2/2} \quad \left( \text{Let } \hat{\psi}_n = \sqrt{2^n n!} \psi_n \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a} \hat{\psi}_n &= \int \left( q - \frac{d}{dq} \right) \hat{\psi}_{n-1} = i \left( \frac{d}{dq} - q \right) \hat{\psi}_{n-1} \\ &= -i \left( q - \frac{d}{dq} \right) \hat{\psi}_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{a} \hat{\psi}_n = (-i)^n \hat{\psi}_n$$

on the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-itH} \psi_n &= e^{-it(n+\frac{1}{2})} \psi_n = e^{-\frac{it}{2}} e^{-itn} \psi_n \\ t = \frac{\pi}{2} &\Rightarrow e^{-i\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{i\pi n}{2}} \psi_n = (-i)^n \psi_n \cdot e^{-\frac{i\pi}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

= our path integral calculation was off  
only by a phase!

$$H = j\omega_3 \quad X^+ = \omega_1 + j\omega_2 \quad X^- = \omega_1 - j\omega_2$$

$$[H, X^+] = 2X^+ \quad [H, X^-] = -2X^-$$

$$[X^+, X^-] = -H$$

$$\Rightarrow v_0 \text{ max vector } \overset{\text{eigenval } \lambda}{j}; \quad v_j = (-1)^j / j! (X^-)^j v_0$$

$$H v_j = (\lambda - 2j) v_j$$

$$X^- v_j = -(j+1) v_{j+1}$$

$$X^+ v_j = (j-1) v_{j-1}$$

$$j = 0 \dots \lambda$$

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Just a little on Rotations & spin

$$\{P_i, q_j\} = \delta_{ij} \longrightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \oplus \dots \quad ; \quad L^2(\mathbb{R}^3) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$$

How does one quantize angular momenta?

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_x &= q_y p_z - q_z p_y \\ \mathcal{O}_y &= q_z p_x - q_x p_z \\ \mathcal{O}_z &= q_x p_y - q_y p_x \end{aligned} \quad (\mathcal{O} = q \times p)$$

$$\{\mathcal{O}_x, \mathcal{O}_y\} = \{q_y p_z - q_z p_y, q_z p_x - q_x p_z\} = q_y p_x - q_x p_y = \mathcal{O}_z$$

$$\{\mathcal{O}_y, \mathcal{O}_z\} = \mathcal{O}_x$$

$$\{\mathcal{O}_z, \mathcal{O}_x\} = \mathcal{O}_y$$

$$\{\mathcal{O}_i, p_j\} = \dots$$

$$\{\mathcal{O}_j, p_i\} = \dots$$

easy quantization:

$$\mathcal{O}_i \longmapsto \mathcal{O}'_j p_k - \mathcal{O}'_k p_j \quad (\mathcal{O}'_i)$$

non-unique!

$$\text{Get } [\mathcal{O}'_i, \mathcal{O}'_j] = \mathcal{O}'_k$$

Prob: classify reps of  $[\mathcal{O}'_i, \mathcal{O}'_j] = \mathcal{O}'_k$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  by anti-symmetric matrices.

Sol'n: One in each dim; (+ direct sums)

- 1 spin 0
- 2 spin-1/2 electrons, ?
- 3 spin 1

cont. on other side.

$$\frac{d}{dt} E(F) = \frac{d}{dt} \langle F(t) \psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle = \langle -i[F(t), H] \psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle$$

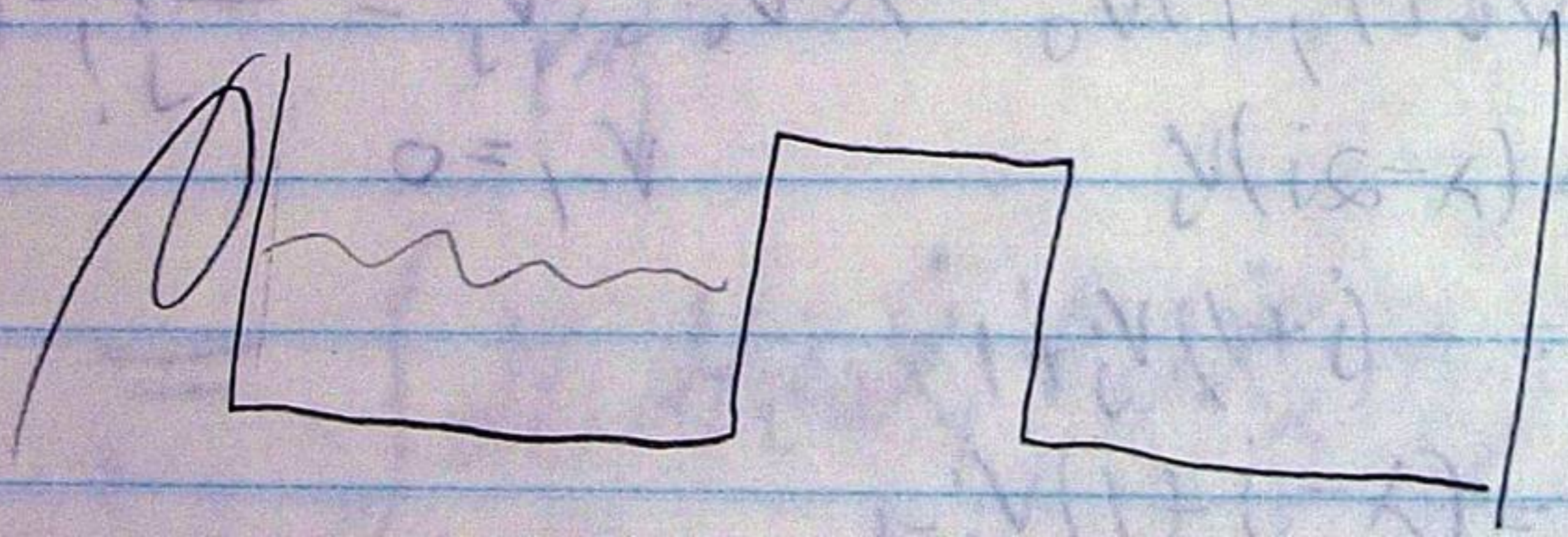
in particular  $H = \frac{1}{2m} p^2 + V(Q)$

$$\frac{d}{dt} E(Q) = \langle -i[Q, \frac{1}{2m} p^2] \psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle = m \langle p \psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle = m E(p)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} E(p) = \langle -i[p, V(Q)] \psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle = -\langle V'(Q) \psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle$$

Similarly, using path integrals.

Tunneling:



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Reminder:

$$\mathcal{O}_i \mapsto \mathcal{O}_j P_k - \mathcal{O}_k P_j + i \mathcal{O}_i$$

$[\mathcal{O}_i, \mathcal{O}_j] = \mathcal{O}_k$  reps of that: (No invariant subspace other than  $\{0\}$  &  $V$ )

1. all = 0  
 2.  $\mathcal{O}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \infty \\ 0 & -1 \\ 6 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$   $\mathcal{O}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & & \end{pmatrix}$

SO(3)!

$$H = 2i\mathcal{O}_3, \quad X^+ = \mathcal{O}_1 + i\mathcal{O}_2, \quad X^- = \mathcal{O}_1 - i\mathcal{O}_2$$

$$[H, X^+] = 2X^+, \quad [H, X^-] = -2X^-$$

$$[X^+, X^-] = -H$$

$$\Rightarrow v_0 \text{ max weight, } H v_0 = \lambda v_0, \quad v_j = \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} (X^-)^j v_0$$

claim  $H v_j = (\lambda - 2j) v_j$   $v_{-1} = 0$

$$X v_j = -(j+1) v_{j+1}$$

$$X^+ v_j = (\lambda - j + 1) v_{j-1}$$

Cor if  $\lambda$  is not a natural number,  $\mathcal{H}$  is infinite d.  
 otherwise, it is of dim  $\lambda + 1$ . (or infinite)

Two One last examples  $\lambda = 1$  (spin  $1/2$ )

try to compute

$$e^{2\pi i \mathcal{O}_3} = e^{-2\pi i \mathcal{O}_3} = e^{\pi i H} = e^{\pi i \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

spin along  $z$ :  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ; spin along  $x$

$$e^{-\alpha \mathcal{O}_1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} e^{\alpha \mathcal{O}_1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} & -\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} & \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} & \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ -\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} & \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_1 = \frac{1}{2}(X^+ + X^-) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

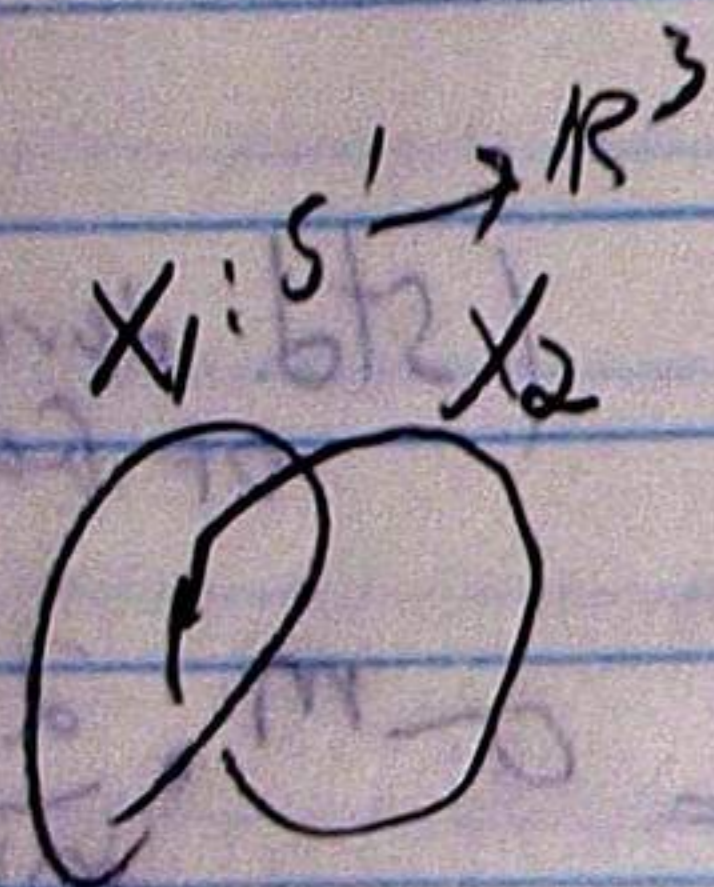


similarly,

$$\int_{\{A\}} (A; x) (A; y) \ell$$

$$2\pi i \int_{A \cap A} dA$$

$$\int_{\{A\}} \epsilon_{ijk} \frac{x^k - y^k}{|x - y|^3}$$



$$\int_{\{A\}} \left( \int_{x_1} A \right) \left( \int_{x_2} A \right) \ell \quad \text{CS}$$

$$= \int_{\{A\}} \left( \int_{s_1} A(x_1(t)) \cdot \dot{x}_1^i(t) dt_1 \right) \left( \int_{s_1} A(x_2(t_2)) \cdot \dot{x}_2^j(t_2) dt_2 \right) \ell \quad \text{CS}$$

$$= \int dt_1 dt_2 \epsilon_{ijk} \dot{x}_1^i(t_1) \dot{x}_2^j(t_2) \frac{x_1^k(t_1) - x_2^k(t_2)}{|x_1(t_1) - x_2(t_2)|^3}$$

$\approx 0$

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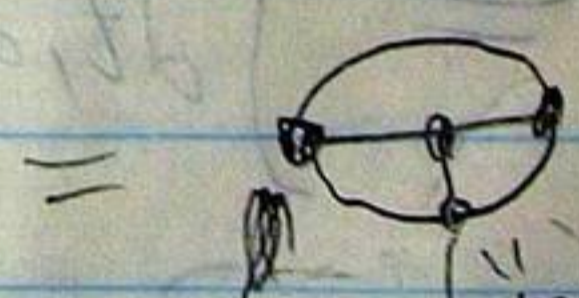
$$\int \text{pol } e^{-\text{quad}} = \sum \text{circles}$$

$$\int x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma}} dx = \text{circle} = \sigma \quad (\text{std deviation of Gaussians})$$

$$\int x^{2m} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma}} dx = \text{m circles} = \sigma^m \frac{2m!}{m! 2^m}$$

$$\int (\lambda_{ijk} x^i x^j x^k) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{ij} x^i x^j} = \text{Feynman Diagrams} = \text{Fey. Diags.}$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} DA \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \text{tr} A^2 \right)^m e^{\int A^2 DA}$$



"messy expr" vertices  $\rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^3}$  algebra  
edges  $\rightarrow (\lambda_{ij})^{-1}$  Hubs

Example:  $\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$  on  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

$$(\Delta^{-1} f)(s) = \int k(s,t) f(t) dt \quad k(s,t) = |s-t|$$

Example in QM

$$\begin{aligned} & E(Q(t)P(t+\epsilon)) \\ & E(P(t)Q(t+\epsilon)) \end{aligned} \rightarrow 1 \text{ instead of } 0!$$

cont.  $\rightarrow$