

Kwantumfysica I

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Deze week Hoofdstuk 6

Vragen n.a.v. stof vorige week of werkcollege?

Extra leestof / achtergrond materiaal uit Cohen-Tannoudji boek

Quantum Mechanics (Volume 1 en 2)
Claude Cohen-Tannoudji *et al.*

Zeer goed boek - sluit goed aan op Liboff

Zeer goed naslag werk
Alles goed geïntroduceerd, onderbouwd en afgeleid

Vandaag uitgedeeld:

Appendix 1	Fourier transformations
Appendix 2	Dirac delta functions
Appendix 3	Lagrangian and Hamiltonian classical mechanics

Vandaag:

1. Afmaken vorige week
 - Commutators
 - Degeneracy (ontaarding)
 - C.S.C.O. (volgend college)
2. Meer over tijdsevoluties en Fourier

Commutator bracket:

(H5 p. 130)

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$$\hat{H}_V \hat{H}_T \leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} V_1 & 0 \\ 0 & V_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & T \\ T & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & V_1 T \\ V_2 T & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


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$$f(\hat{H}_V) = f\left(\begin{pmatrix} V_1 & 0 \\ 0 & V_2 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} g_1(V_1, V_2) & 0 \\ 0 & g_2(V_1, V_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

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Measure A with result a_1 , then B, then again A

$\Rightarrow \hat{A}$ and \hat{B} commute, measurement gives again result a_1

$\Rightarrow \hat{A}$ and \hat{B} do not commute, gives arbitrary outcome

Degenerate (ontaarde) states

How to find eigen values? $\hat{H}|\varphi_i\rangle = E_i|\varphi_i\rangle$

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}_i = E_i \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}_i \quad \text{represented in certain basis}$$

Look up linear algebra:

$$\begin{vmatrix} V_1 - E_i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_2 - E_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_3 - E_i \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(V_1 - E_i)(V_2 - E_i)(V_3 - E_i) = 0$$

$$E_{1,2,3} = V_1, V_2, V_3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Degenerate (ontaarde) states

What if $V_1 = V_2 = V_o$?

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_o & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & V_o & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & V_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}_i = E_i \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}_i \Rightarrow$$

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$$\hat{H}(\alpha|\varphi_1\rangle + \beta|\varphi_2\rangle) = V_o(\alpha|\varphi_1\rangle + \beta|\varphi_2\rangle)$$

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{B}] = 0$$

$$\hat{B}(\hat{H}|\varphi_1\rangle) = \hat{B}V_o|\varphi_1\rangle = V_o\hat{B}|\varphi_1\rangle = \hat{H}(\hat{B}|\varphi_1\rangle)$$

but also $\hat{B}|\varphi_1\rangle = \gamma(\alpha|\varphi_1\rangle + \beta|\varphi_2\rangle)$

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(see book p. 137)

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More clear for $\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} = \frac{\hbar^2 \hat{k}^2}{2m}$

$$\hat{B} = \hat{p} = \hbar \hat{k}$$

Degenerate (ontaarde) states

Conclusie:

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Time-evolution operator \hat{U}

For system with time-independent Hamiltonian \hat{H}_0

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = \hat{U} |\Psi(t_0)\rangle = e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}_0(t-t_0)}{\hbar}} |\Psi(t_0)\rangle$$

$$\langle\Psi(t)| = \langle\Psi(t_0)|\hat{U}^\dagger = \langle\Psi(t_0)|e^{\frac{+i\hat{H}_0(t-t_0)}{\hbar}}$$

How does some physical property A depend on time?

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Vooruitblik:

Schrödinger (nu) versus Heisenberg picture

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Last term in general cosine with amplitude and phase

Free particle - Gaussian wave packet

x-representation and k-representation

$$\Psi(x) \quad \overset{\mathbf{F}}{\leftrightarrow} \quad \bar{\Psi}(k)$$

$$\Psi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{\Psi}(k) e^{ikx} dk$$

$$\bar{\Psi}(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

Fourier transforms in book

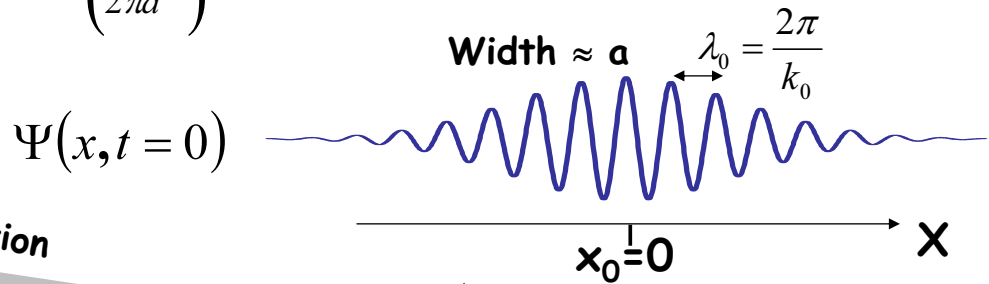
between x-representation and k-representation (or n-representation)

⇒ A different way to represent the same state

p. 100 and 117	expansion into a series of discrete states
p. 102	projection onto k-states (plane waves)
p. 125	delta function in x-representation
p. 122 and 158	square wave in x-representation
p. 156	Wave packet in x- and p-representation
p. 160	Gaussian in x- and p-representation
p. 849 and 857	Appendix A, C

Dit overzichtje met nog wat uitleg zit ook in
"StofOverzicht - Concepten" op het web

$$\Psi(x, t = 0) = \frac{1}{(2\pi a^2)^{1/4}} e^{ik_0 x} e^{-x^2/4a^2}$$



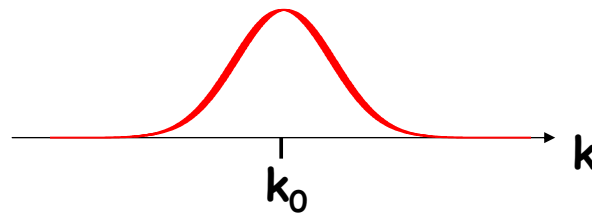
x -representation

k -representation

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Width $\approx 1/2a$

$$\bar{\Psi}(k, t = 0)$$

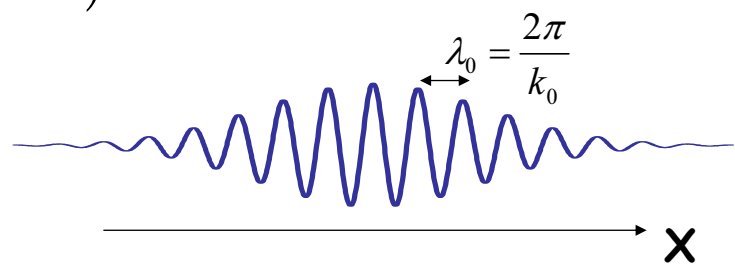


$$\bar{\Psi}(k, t = 0) = \left(\frac{4a^2}{2\pi}\right)^{1/4} e^{-a^2(k-k_0)^2}$$

(see book p. 160)

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$$\hat{H} = \frac{(\hbar \hat{k})^2}{2m}$$



Time-evolution:

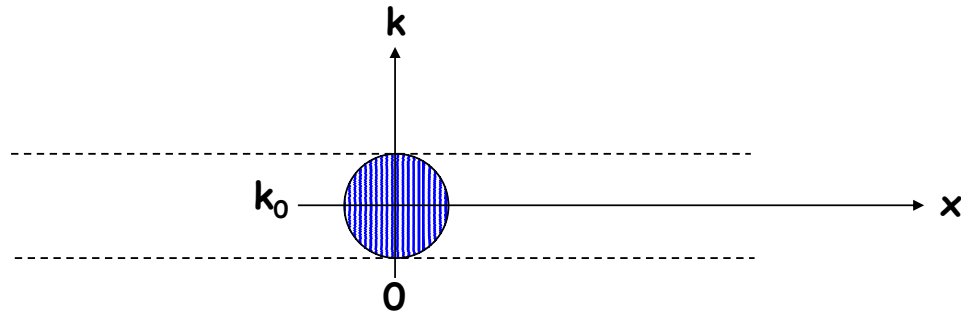
$$\Psi(x, t) = \hat{U} \Psi(x, t = 0)$$

$$= e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{\Psi}(k) e^{ikx} dk$$

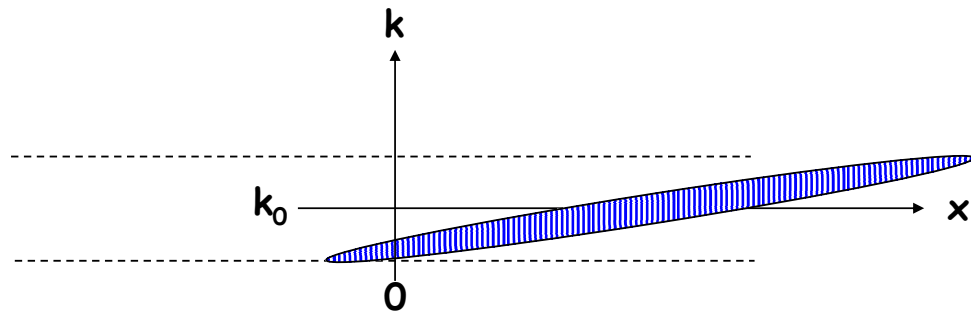
**Easier to evaluate
with Fourier transform!**

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{\Psi}(k) e^{i(kx - \omega t)} dk$$

$t = 0$



$t > 0$



We use here that one can represent a state also in the x-k plane

Using the commutator bracket to describe time evolution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\langle \hat{A} \rangle}{dt} &= \frac{\partial \langle \hat{A} \rangle}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial \langle \Psi | \hat{A} | \Psi \rangle}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial \langle \Psi |}{\partial t} &= \langle \Psi | \frac{i\hat{H}^+}{\hbar} \\ &= \frac{\partial \langle \Psi |}{\partial t} \hat{A} | \Psi \rangle + \langle \Psi | \hat{A} \frac{\partial | \Psi \rangle}{\partial t} + \langle \Psi | \frac{\partial \hat{A}}{\partial t} | \Psi \rangle & \frac{\partial | \Psi \rangle}{\partial t} &= \frac{-i\hat{H}}{\hbar} | \Psi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial \langle \hat{A} \rangle}{\partial t} = \frac{i}{\hbar} (\langle \Psi | \hat{H}^+ \hat{A} | \Psi \rangle - \langle \Psi | \hat{A} \hat{H} | \Psi \rangle) + \langle \Psi | \frac{\partial \hat{A}}{\partial t} | \Psi \rangle$$

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}^+$$

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$$\boxed{\frac{d\langle \hat{A} \rangle}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \Psi | [\hat{H}, \hat{A}] | \Psi \rangle}$$

Will be generalized later

Voorbeeldje, laat zien dat voor deeltje met $\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \hat{V}$, $\hat{V} = V(x)$

$$\frac{d\langle \hat{x} \rangle}{dt} = \left\langle \frac{\hat{p}}{m} \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{d\langle \hat{p} \rangle}{dt} = - \left\langle \frac{\partial \hat{V}}{\partial \hat{x}} \right\rangle$$

$$[\hat{p}, \hat{x}^2] = [\hat{p}, \hat{x}]\hat{x} + \hat{x}[\hat{p}, \hat{x}] = -2i\hbar\hat{x}$$

$$[\hat{p}, \hat{x}^3] = [\hat{p}, \hat{x}]\hat{x}^2 + \hat{x}[\hat{p}, \hat{x}^2] = -3i\hbar\hat{x}^2$$

Use: $[\hat{p}, \hat{x}^n] = -i\hbar n\hat{x}^{n-1}$

$$[\hat{p}, \hat{x}^{n+1}] = [\hat{p}, \hat{x}\hat{x}^n] = [\hat{p}, \hat{x}]\hat{x}^n + \hat{x}[\hat{p}, \hat{x}^n] = -i\hbar\hat{x}^n - i\hbar\hat{x}n\hat{x}^{n-1} = -i\hbar(n+1)\hat{x}^n$$

$$[\hat{p}, G(\hat{x})] = -i\hbar \frac{\partial G(\hat{x})}{\partial \hat{x}}$$

Constant of motion: \hat{H} and \hat{A} commute

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{A}] = 0 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{d\langle \hat{A} \rangle}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \Psi | [\hat{H}, \hat{A}] | \Psi \rangle = 0$$

Already known from time-evolution operator \hat{U}

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Ehrenfest's principle

Equations of motion for expectation values correspond to classical equations.

Only works out for linear systems! (energy $\propto x^2$ and p^2) - See problem 6.25

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Samenvatting:

1. Meer over tijdsevolutie
2. Degenaracy

Volgende college:

- C.S.C.O - Hilbert space basis
- Conservation laws
- Parity
- Example about different representations