



# Quantum Machine Learning Seminars

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Week 1: Foundations of Quantum Mechanics for Quantum Computing

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## Outline

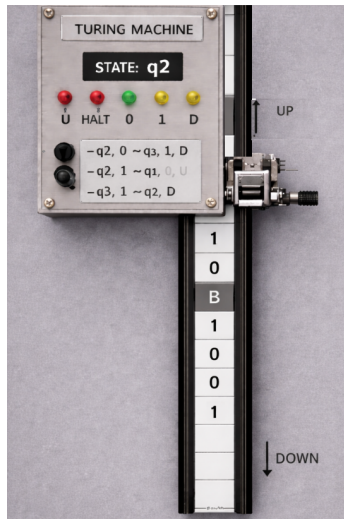
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## Classical Computability Theory

## What is computability?

- It's a branch of mathematical logic that studies the limits of what can be computed by algorithms; it classifies problems as solvable (computable) or unsolvable (uncomputable) by theoretical models.
- An algorithm is a step-by-step procedure (the order matters) or rules to accomplish a specific task or solve a problem.
- Theoretical computational models comprehend how the output is obtained from the input, e.g., Turing machine, RAM, decision tree, logic gates, recursive function ... etc.

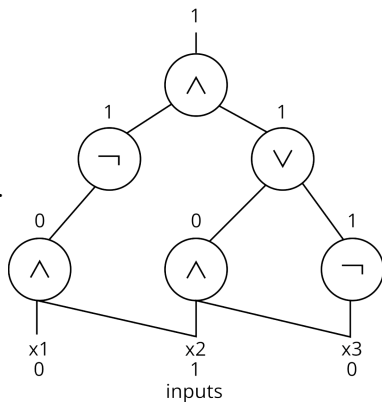




## Classical Computability Theory

## Limitations of Classical Computability

- Polynomial-time or Polynomial-sized circuit:  
 $T(n) = \mathcal{O}(n^k)$  where  $k \neq n$  or its multiples.
- Shannon  $f : \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  needs  $T(n) \geq \mathcal{O}(2^n/n)$ .
- A decision problem that can be solved “efficiently” by a deterministic Turing machine is in class  $\mathcal{P}$ .
- A decision problem that can be solved by a non-deterministic Turing machine is in class  $\mathcal{NP}$ .
- Non-deterministic does NOT mean probabilistic, i.e.  
 $\mathcal{BPP} \subset \mathcal{NP}$
- $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{NP}$  but  $\mathcal{P} \neq \mathcal{NP}??$



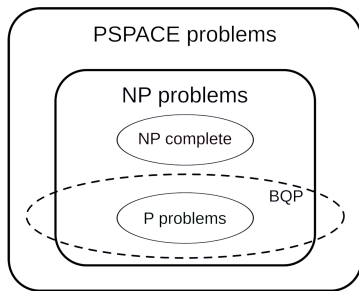
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## Classical Computability Theory

*BQP*

- It has an error probability of at most  $1/3$  for all instances.
- They explore many possibilities at the same time using superposition.
- The outcome has a tiny chance of error as interference enforces correct paths and cancels wrong ones.
- Solving integer factorization in polynomial time is a *BQP* not *BPP*.



<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/BQP>



## Conceptual Introduction to QM

## Adiabatic Invariant

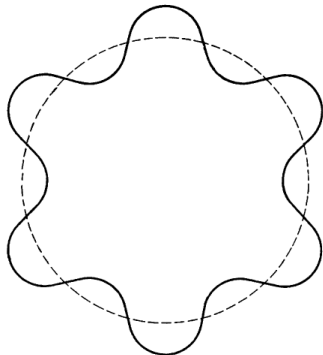
- (Einstein-Ehrenfest-Bohr):  $E = nhf \Rightarrow nh = E/f$  is invariant under changing any variable  $\xi$ .

- e.g.  $E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^2 = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}kx^2$

Define  $p = \sqrt{2m(E - \frac{1}{2}kx^2)}$  such that

$$I = \int_0^{\sqrt{2E/k}} p dx = E/f = 2\pi E/\omega = 2\pi E \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

- $\frac{dI}{dk} = 0 \Rightarrow E/f = \text{constant}$ , i.e., any  $I$  with periodic limits and of units  $[J.s]$  is defined as  $I = nh$ .
- C.f. M. Jammer, The Conceptual Development of Quantum Mechanics.



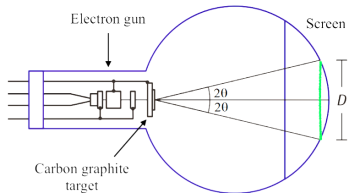
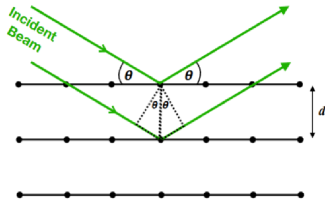


## Conceptual Introduction to QM de Broglie Matter Wave

- Hamilton's least action: particles and mechanical waves are governed by the same law. (Snell's law)
- X-ray diffraction experiment: wave has momentum! (Laue then Bragg then de Broglie(s))
- Electrons scattering as a diffraction phenomena.

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p}$$

- Recall  $D(x) = A \sin(kx \pm \omega t)$  from PHYS 32,  
$$\frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2} + k^2 \Psi = 0 \xLeftrightarrow{\text{Debye}} \left\| \frac{dS}{dx} \right\| = \kappa n \text{ iff } \Psi = A e^{iS}.$$



## Conceptual Introduction to QM

## Schrödinger Equation

- Schrödinger replaced  $S$  by  $-i\hbar \ln \psi$  then asked: what is equivalent to  $p$  in  $I = nh$ ?

- It is  $\frac{dS}{dx} = -i\hbar \frac{\psi'}{\psi}$  or  $p\psi = -i\hbar \frac{d\psi}{dx}$

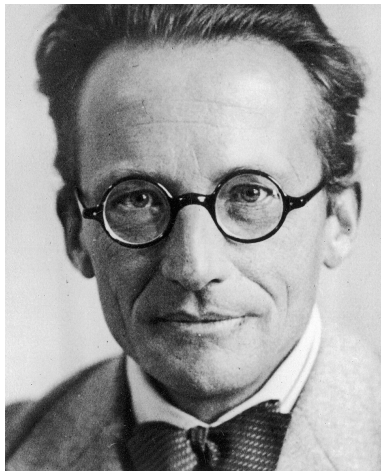
- For a free particle with  $K = p^2/2m$  we have

$$\frac{1}{2m} \left( -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} \right)^2 \psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \psi = K\psi.$$

And for bounded with potential  $V(x)$  it becomes

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + V(x) \right] \psi = E\psi$$

- This is called an eigenvalue/eigenvector problem!



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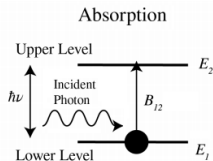




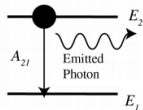
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## Einstein coefficients

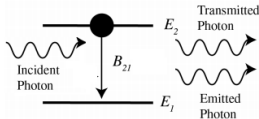
- Spontaneous absorption  $dN_j/dt = B_{ij}N_i\rho(\epsilon_j - \epsilon_i)$ .
- Spontaneous emission  $dN_j/dt = -A_{ji}N_j$ .
- Stimulated emission  $dN_i/dt = B_{ji}N_j\rho(\epsilon_j - \epsilon_i)$ .
- Absorption/emission rates  $A_{ij} \propto B_{ij} \propto |D_{ij}|^2$ .
- Fourier transform  $D_{ij} = qx_{ij}$  of dipole  $d = qx$ .
- $I_P \propto \omega^4 |D_{ij}|^2 \xleftrightarrow{\text{Experiment}} A_{ij} \propto I_P \Rightarrow A_{ij} \propto |x_{ij}|^2$ .
- $\frac{dN_j}{dt} = -\frac{dN_i}{dt} \xrightarrow{\text{prove}} N_i \propto e^{|x_{ij}|^2 t}$ .



Spontaneous Emission



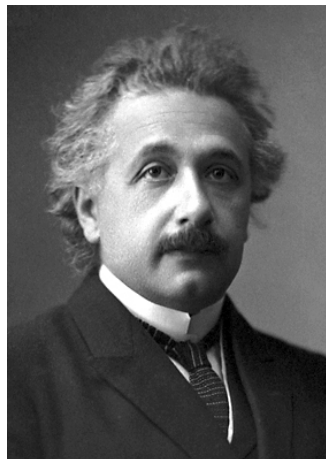
Stimulated Emission



## Conceptual Introduction to QM

## Probability and Transition Amplitude

- The probability no particle is emitted in time  $t$  is  $P(t, N_0)$ , and that of some are emitted is  $P(t, N_{\neq 0})$ .
- And for  $t + dt$  (mutually independent) it's  $P(t + dt, N_0) = P(t, N_0) \times P(dt, N_0)$
- The change  $dP(t, N_0) = P(t + dt, N_0) - P(t, N_0) = -P(t, N_0) \left[ 1 - P(dt, N_0) \right] = -P(t, N_0) \times P(dt, N_{\neq 0})$
- $dP(t, N_0) = -P(t, N_0) \times -dN_j/N_j = -P(t, N_0) \times A_{ij}dt.$  (Why  $-dN_j/N_j$  not  $+dN_j/N_j$ ?)
- $P(t, N_0) \propto e^{-|x_{ij}|^2 t} \Rightarrow P(t, N_{\neq 0}) = 1 - e^{-|x_{ij}|^2 t}$
- $P(t, N_{\neq 0}) \sim 1 - (1 - |x_{ij}|^2 t) \Rightarrow \boxed{P(t, N_{\neq 0}) \propto |x_{ij}|^2}$



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## Conceptual Introduction to QM

# Heisenberg Matrix Mechanics

- Periodic motion:

$$x_n = \sum_{\alpha=-\infty}^{\infty} a_{n\alpha} e^{i\alpha\omega_n t} \xrightarrow{k=n-\alpha} x_n = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_{nk} e^{i\omega_{nk} t}$$

where from  $E_a - E_b = \hbar\omega_{ab}$  we must impose

$$\boxed{\omega_{nk} = \omega_{nj} + \omega_{jk}} \text{ for } n > j > k, \text{ and } a_{nk} = a_{kn}^*.$$

- $I = \int p_n dx_n = m \int \dot{x}_n dx_n = m \int (\dot{x}_n)^2 dt \Rightarrow$

$$\hbar = m \sum_{\alpha} (|a_{n,n+\alpha}|^2 \omega_{n,n+\alpha} - |a_{n,n-\alpha}|^2 \omega_{n,n-\alpha})$$

- In addition,  $I = \int p_n dx_n - \int x_n dp_n = -i\hbar.$



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## Linear Algebra

## Summary

- Vector addition:

$$(\vec{v} + \vec{w})_j = v_j + w_j$$

- Vector scalar multiplication:

$$(c\vec{v})_j = cv_j$$

- Matrix addition:

$$(M + N)_{ij} = M_{ij} + N_{ij}$$

- Matrix scalar multiplication:

$$(cM)_{ij} = c(M_{ij})$$



## Linear Algebra

## Summary

- Matrix multiplication:

$$(MN)_{ij} = \sum_k M_{ik} N_{kj}$$

- Matrix/vector complex conjugate:

$$(M^*)_{ij} = (M_{ij})^*$$

- Matrix/vector transpose:

$$(M^T)_{ij} = M_{ji}$$

- Matrix/vector conjugate transposed:

$$(M^\dagger)_{ij} = ((M^*)^T)_{ij} = (M_{ji})^*$$



## Linear Algebra

# Summary

- Inner / Scalar / Dot product:

$$\vec{v} \bullet \vec{w} = \vec{v}^\dagger \vec{w} = \sum_{j=1}^n v_j^{T*} w_j$$

- Norm of a vector:

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{\vec{v} \bullet \vec{v}}$$

- Projection of  $\vec{v}$  onto  $\vec{w}$ :

$$P_{\vec{v}, \vec{w}} = \frac{1}{\|\vec{w}\|} \vec{w} \bullet \vec{v}$$



## Linear Algebra

## Summary

- Eigenvectors and eigenvalues:

$$M\vec{v} = \lambda\vec{v}$$

$$[M - \lambda\mathbb{I}]\vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

$$\det[M - \lambda\mathbb{I}] = 0$$

- Matrix diagonalization

$$P^{-1}MP = D$$

where  $P = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \cdots]$  for linearly independent  $v_i$ .



Thank You!