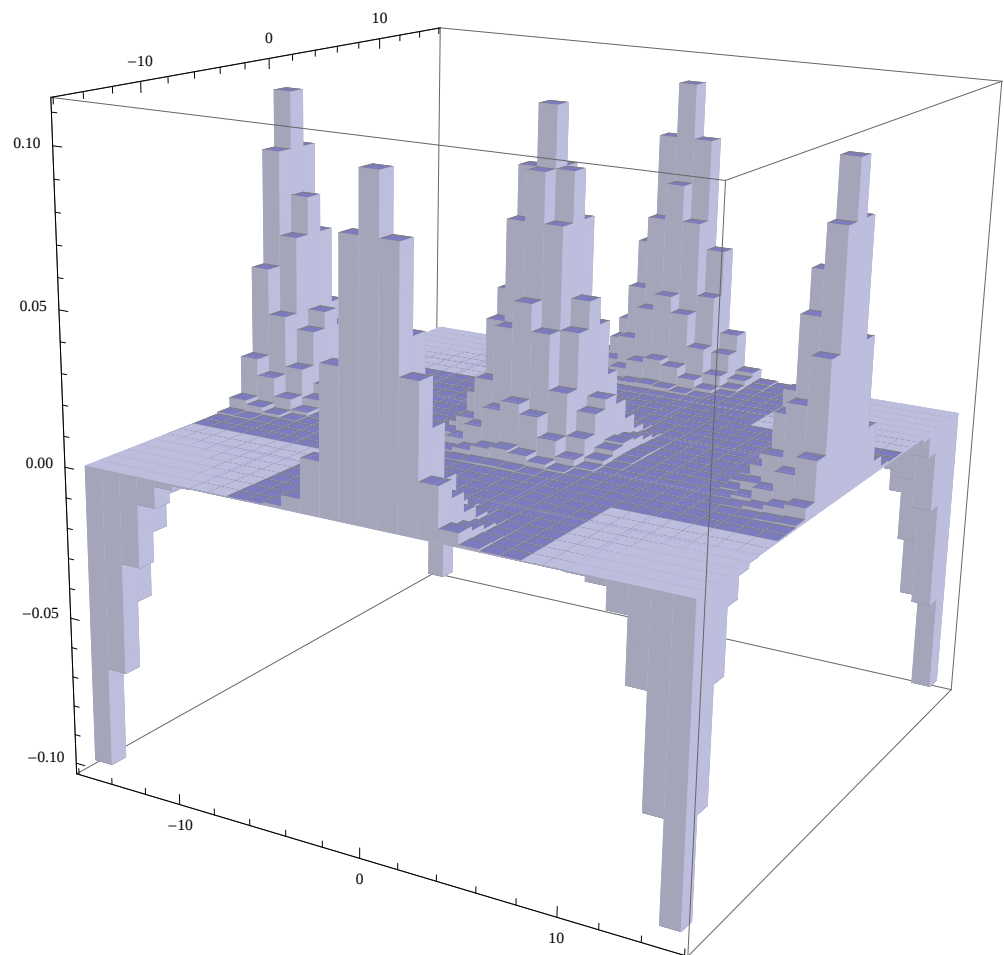


Continuous versus Discrete Quantum Systems

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Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- With the integral in Lebesgue sense,

$$\mathfrak{L}^2(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(q)|^2 dq < \infty \right\}$$

is a vector space, and

$$\mathfrak{L}^2(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathfrak{L}^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \overline{\varphi(q)} \psi(q) dq,$$

satisfies the relations

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi, \psi \rangle &= \overline{\langle \psi, \varphi \rangle}, \\ \langle \varphi, \alpha \psi_1 + \beta \psi_2 \rangle &= \alpha \langle \varphi, \psi_1 \rangle + \beta \langle \varphi, \psi_2 \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

but is not a scalar product since

$$\langle \psi, \psi \rangle = 0 \not\Rightarrow \psi = 0.$$

The relation

$$\varphi \sim \psi \Leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\varphi(q) - \psi(q)| dq = 0.$$

is an equivalence relation on $\mathfrak{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$, and

$$L^2(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(q)|^2 dq < \infty \right\} / \sim$$

is a Hilbert space. Each element of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ is an infinite class of equivalent functions.

- All the functions of the form

$$\psi(q) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{for } q = q_0, \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{\pi}} e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}} & \text{for } q \neq q_0, \end{cases}$$

represent the same element of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$.

- The Hermite-Gauss functions $\Psi_0, \Psi_1, \Psi_2, \dots$

$$\Psi_n(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n! \sqrt{\pi}}} H_n(q) e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}},$$

form an orthonormal basis in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Writing

$$\begin{cases} |\psi\rangle & \text{instead of } \psi, \\ |n\rangle & \text{instead of } \Psi_n, \end{cases}$$

we have $\langle n|k\rangle = \delta_{nk}$, and

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |n\rangle \langle n|\psi\rangle, \quad \text{for all } |\psi\rangle \in L^2(\mathbb{R}),$$

that is, the resolution of the identity

$$\mathbb{I} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |n\rangle \langle n|.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- In the case of $\mathbb{C}^d$, the scalar product

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{d-1} \bar{x}_n y_n = (\bar{x}_0 \ \bar{x}_1 \ \dots \ \bar{x}_{d-1}) \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{d-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

can be written as

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \langle x|y\rangle$$

by using the Dirac notations

$$\langle x| = (\bar{x}_0 \ \bar{x}_1 \ \dots \ \bar{x}_{d-1}), \quad |y\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{d-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- If we consider

$$\mathbb{C}^d = \left\{ |x\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{d-1} \end{pmatrix} \mid x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{d-1} \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$$

then $\langle a|$ can be regarded as the linear map

$$\mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : |x\rangle \mapsto \langle a|x\rangle$$

and $|a\rangle\langle b|$ as the linear operator

$$\mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d : |x\rangle \mapsto |a\rangle\langle b|x\rangle.$$

- If $\{|e_0\rangle, |e_1\rangle, \dots, |e_{d-1}\rangle\}$ is an orthonormal basis, then we have

$$\langle e_n|e_k\rangle = \delta_{nk},$$

$$|x\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{d-1} |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|x\rangle, \quad \text{for all } |x\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d,$$

that is, the resolution of the identity

$$\mathbb{I} = \sum_{n=0}^{d-1} |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|.$$

- In the case of canonical basis from $\mathbb{C}^2$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} (1 \ 0) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (0 \ 1).$$

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- We get the relation

$$\begin{array}{cc} \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \subset L^2(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}) \\ \text{rapidly decreasing} & \text{tempered} \\ \text{(test) functions} & \text{distributions} \end{array}$$

by identifying $\varphi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ with the distribution

$$\varphi : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad \langle \varphi, \psi \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(q) \psi(q) dq,$$

Two equivalent functions $\varphi \sim \psi$ define the same distribution $\varphi = \psi$ in $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$.

- The definition of Dirac distribution

$$\delta_a : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad \langle \delta_a, \psi \rangle = \psi(a),$$

can be formally (symbolically) written as

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq \delta(q-a) \psi(q) = \psi(a)$$

or

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq \delta(a-q) \psi(q) = \psi(a)$$

or

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq \delta_q(a) \psi(q) = \psi(a)$$

or

$$\psi = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq \psi(q) \delta_q. \quad (*)$$

- Since $\psi(q) = \langle \delta_q, \psi \rangle$, by writing

$$\begin{cases} |\psi\rangle & \text{instead of } \psi, \\ |q\rangle & \text{instead of } \delta_q, \end{cases}$$

the relation (*) becomes

$$|\psi\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq |q\rangle \langle q|\psi\rangle$$

and the system $\{|q\rangle\}_{q=-\infty}^{\infty}$ satisfies the formal (symbolical) relation

$$\mathbb{I} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq |q\rangle \langle q|.$$

- Here, $\langle q|$ represents the linear functional $C^0(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} : |\psi\rangle \mapsto \langle q|\psi\rangle = \psi(q)$.

- Formally, we have

$$\langle a|b\rangle = \delta(a-b) \quad \text{for any } a, b \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- Consider $\mathbb{C}^d$ as the space of functions

$$\mathbb{C}^d = \{ \psi : \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \},$$

with the scalar product

$$\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle = \sum_{n=-j}^j \overline{\varphi(n)} \psi(n).$$

- The functions

$$\delta_{-j}, \delta_{-j+1}, \dots, \delta_j : \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C},$$

$$\delta_m(k) = \delta_{km} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } k=m, \\ 0 & \text{for } k \neq m. \end{cases}$$

form an orthonormal basis :

$$\langle \delta_m, \delta_n \rangle = \delta_{mn},$$

$$\psi = \sum_{m=-j}^j \psi(m) \delta_m, \quad \text{for all } \psi.$$

- Since $\psi(m) = \langle \delta_m, \psi \rangle$, by writing

$$\begin{cases} |\psi\rangle & \text{instead of } \psi, \\ |j; m\rangle & \text{instead of } \delta_m, \end{cases}$$

we have

$$\langle j; m | j; n \rangle = \delta_{mn},$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{m=-j}^j |j; m\rangle \langle j; m | \psi \rangle, \quad \text{for all } |\psi\rangle,$$

that is, the resolution of the identity

$$\mathbb{I} = \sum_{m=-j}^j |j; m\rangle \langle j; m|.$$

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- **Fourier transform of a function**

$\psi: \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$
is the function $F[\psi]: \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$F[\psi](p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}pq} \psi(q) dq$$

(if it exists !). The transform

$$F: \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$$

is one-to-one and $F^{-1} = F^+$, that is

$$F^{-1}[\psi](p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq} \psi(q) dq.$$

- Particularly, $\psi = F^{-1}[F[\psi]]$, that is

$$\psi(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq} F[\psi](p) dp.$$

- **Fourier transform of a distribution**

$\psi: \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$
is the distribution $F[\psi]: \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$,
 $\langle F[\psi], \varphi \rangle = \langle \psi, F[\varphi] \rangle$.

The transform

$$F: \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$$

is one-to-one, and

$$\langle F^{-1}[\psi], \varphi \rangle = \langle \psi, F^{-1}[\varphi] \rangle.$$

- The Hermite-Gauss functions $\Psi_0, \Psi_1, \Psi_2, \dots$

$$\Psi_n(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n! \sqrt{\pi}}} H_n(q) e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}},$$

are eigenfunctions of the Fourier transform:

$$F[\Psi_n] = (-i)^n \Psi_n.$$

Writting $|n\rangle$ instead of Ψ_n , we have

$$F|n\rangle = (-i)^n |n\rangle.$$

- **Fourier transform $F: L^2(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$**

$$F = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^n |n\rangle \langle n|.$$

- **Fractional Fourier transform**

$$F^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^{n\alpha} |n\rangle \langle n|.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- We identify the space

$$\mathbb{C}^d = \{ \psi: \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \}$$

with the space of periodic functions

$$\{ \psi: \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \psi(n) = \psi(n+d), \forall n \}$$

that is, we consider

$$\mathbb{C}^d \equiv \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}_d) = \{ \psi: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \},$$

where $\mathbb{Z}_d$ = set of classes modulo d .

We use the scalar product

$$\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d} \overline{\varphi(n)} \psi(n),$$

the canonical basis $\{|j; m\rangle \equiv \delta_m\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d}$, where

$$\delta_m(n) = \delta_{mn}^{[d]} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } n = m \pmod{d}, \\ 0 & \text{for } n \neq m \pmod{d}, \end{cases}$$

- **Finite Fourier transform of a function**

$$\psi: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is the function $\mathbf{F}[\psi]: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$\mathbf{F}[\psi](k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}kn} \psi(n).$$

The transform

$$\mathbf{F}: \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}_d) \longrightarrow \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}_d)$$

is one-to-one and $\mathbf{F}^{-1} = \mathbf{F}^+$, that is

$$\mathbf{F}^{-1}[\psi](k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}kn} \psi(n).$$

- Particularly, $\psi = \mathbf{F}^{-1}[\mathbf{F}[\psi]]$, that is

$$\psi(n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}kn} \mathbf{F}[\psi](k).$$

- **Finite fractional Fourier transform**

$$\mathbf{F}^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{d-1} (-i)^{n\alpha} |\psi_n\rangle \langle \psi_n|$$

is defined by using a finite counterpart $\{\psi_n\}_{n=0}^{d-1}$ of the Hermite-Gauss functions, defined as the eigenfunctions of a Fourier invariant Hamiltonian (finite oscillator).

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- **Position and momentum operators**

$$\psi \mapsto Q\psi, \quad (Q\psi)(q) = q\psi(q)$$

$$\psi \mapsto P\psi, \quad (P\psi)(q) = -i\hbar \frac{d\psi}{dq}(q)$$

admit the extensions

$$Q: \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}) : \psi \mapsto q\psi,$$

$$P: \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}) : \psi \mapsto -i\hbar\psi',$$

satisfying the relation

$$P = F^{-1}QF,$$

which for $\psi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ becomes

$$(P\psi)(q) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} x e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}xy} \psi(q-y) dx dy.$$

- We have

$$q\delta_a = a\delta_a,$$

that is

$$Q|a\rangle = a|a\rangle.$$

- From the relation

$$\begin{aligned} \langle F^{-1}[\delta_p], \varphi \rangle &= \langle \delta_p, F^{-1}[\varphi] \rangle = F^{-1}[\varphi](p) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq} \varphi(q) dq = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \langle e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq}, \varphi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$F^{-1}[\delta_p] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq}.$$

- The distribution

$$|p\rangle\rangle = F^{-1}|p\rangle = F^{-1}[\delta_p]$$

satisfies the relations

$$P|p\rangle\rangle = p|p\rangle\rangle, \quad \langle q|p\rangle\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq}$$

and formally: $\langle\langle a|b\rangle\rangle = \delta(a-b)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{I} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq |q\rangle\langle q|, & \mathbb{I} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp |p\rangle\rangle\langle\langle p|, \\ Q &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq q|q\rangle\langle q|, & P &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp p|p\rangle\rangle\langle\langle p|, \\ \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}(a-b)q} dq &= \delta(a-b). \end{aligned}$$

- We have

$$[Q, P] = i\hbar\mathbb{I}.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- We consider $\mathbb{C}^d \equiv \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}_d) = \{ \psi : \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \}$, where $\mathbb{Z}_d$ = set of classes modulo d ,

and use the scalar product

$$\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d} \overline{\varphi(n)} \psi(n),$$

the canonical basis $\{|j; m\rangle \equiv \delta_m\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d}$, where

$$\delta_m(n) = \delta_{mn}^{[d]} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } n = m \pmod{d}, \\ 0 & \text{for } n \neq m \pmod{d}, \end{cases}$$

and the Fourier transform $\mathbf{F}^{\pm 1} : \mathbb{C}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$,

$$\mathbf{F}^{\pm 1}[\psi](k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{n=-j}^j e^{\mp \frac{2\pi i}{d}kn} \psi(n).$$

- **Position and momentum operators are**

$$\mathbf{Q} : \mathbb{C}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d, \quad (\mathbf{Q}\psi)(n) = \tilde{n}\psi(n),$$

where

$$\tilde{n} \in \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\},$$

is the representative mod(d) of n , and

$$\mathbf{P} : \mathbb{C}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d, \quad \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{F}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{F},$$

that is

$$\mathbf{P}\psi(n) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{k, m=-j}^j k e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}km} \psi(n-m).$$

- We have

$$\mathbf{Q}\delta_m = \tilde{m}\delta_m,$$

that is

$$\mathbf{Q}|j; m\rangle = \tilde{m}|j; m\rangle.$$

- The function

$$|j; k\rangle\rangle = \mathbf{F}^{-1}|j; k\rangle = \mathbf{F}^{-1}[\delta_k]$$

satisfies the relations

$$\mathbf{P}|j; k\rangle\rangle = \tilde{k}|j; k\rangle\rangle, \quad \langle j; m|j; k\rangle\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}km}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{I} &= \sum_{m=-j}^j |j; m\rangle\langle j; m|, & \mathbb{I} &= \sum_{m=-j}^j |j; k\rangle\rangle\langle\langle j; k|, \\ \mathbf{Q} &= \sum_{m=-j}^j m|j; m\rangle\langle j; m|, & \mathbf{P} &= \sum_{k=-j}^j k|j; k\rangle\rangle\langle\langle j; k|. \end{aligned}$$

- We have

$$[\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{P}]\psi(n) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m, k=-j}^j m k e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}mk} \psi(n-m).$$

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- **Position and momentum operators**

$$\begin{aligned}\psi &\mapsto Q\psi, & (Q\psi)(q) &= q\psi(q) \\ \psi &\mapsto P\psi, & P &= -i\hbar \frac{d}{dq} = F^{-1}QF.\end{aligned}$$

- **Translation operators.** For any $q, p \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}\psi(q) &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{1!}\frac{ip}{\hbar}Q + \frac{1}{2!}\frac{(ip)^2}{\hbar^2}Q^2 + \dots\right)\psi(q) \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{1!}\frac{ip}{\hbar}q + \frac{1}{2!}\frac{(ip)^2}{\hbar^2}q^2 + \dots\right)\psi(q) = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq}\psi(q), \\ e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP}\psi(a) &= \left(1 + \frac{-q}{1!}\frac{d}{dq} + \frac{(-q)^2}{2!}\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + \dots\right)\psi(a) \\ &= \psi(a) - \frac{\psi'(a)}{1!}q + \frac{\psi''(a)}{2!}q^2 - \dots = \psi(a-q),\end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}\psi(q) &= e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq}\psi(q), \\ e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP}\psi(a) &= \psi(a-q).\end{aligned}$$

- We have $e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP}|a\rangle = |a+q\rangle$,

$$e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}|a\rangle = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pa}|a\rangle$$

$$e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pq}e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP}e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} &= F^{-1}e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qQ}F \\ &= F e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}qQ}F^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

- **Displacement operators**

$$\begin{aligned}D(q, p) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qP - pQ)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq}e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq}e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP}e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}\end{aligned}$$

satisfy the relations:

$$\begin{aligned}D^+(q, p) &= D(-q, -p) = D^{-1}(q, p), \\ D(q, p)\psi(a) &= e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq}e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pa}\psi(a-q), \\ \langle a|D(q, p)|b\rangle &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}p(a+b)}\delta(a-b-q),\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}D(q, p)D(a, b) &= e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}(qb - pa)} \\ &D(q+a, p+b).\end{aligned}$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- **Position and momentum operators are**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Q}:\mathbb{C}^d &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d, & (\mathbf{Q}\psi)(n) &= \tilde{n}\psi(n), \\ \mathbf{P}:\mathbb{C}^d &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d, & \mathbf{P} &= \mathbf{F}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{F}\end{aligned}$$

where $\tilde{n}$ is the representative of n satisfying

$$\tilde{n} \in \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\}.$$

- **Translation operators.** For any $n, k \in \mathbb{Z}_d$,

$$\begin{aligned}e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}}\psi(n) &= e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}kn}\psi(n), \\ e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}} &= \mathbf{F}^{-1}e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{F}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

satisfy the relations

$$e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}}\psi(m) = \psi(m-n),$$

$$e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}}|j; m\rangle = |j; m+n\rangle,$$

$$e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}}|j; m\rangle = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}km}|j; m\rangle,$$

$$e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}}e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}} = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}nk}e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}}e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}},$$

- **Displacement operators**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{D}(n, k) &= e^{-\frac{\pi i}{d}nk}e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}}e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}} \\ &= e^{\frac{\pi i}{d}nk}e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}}e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$(n, k) \in \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j\} \times \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j\},$$

satisfy the relations:

$$\mathbf{D}^+(n, k) = \mathbf{D}(-n, -k) = \mathbf{D}^{-1}(n, k),$$

$$\mathbf{D}(n, k)\psi(m) = e^{-\frac{\pi i}{d}nk}e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}km}\psi(m-n)$$

$$\langle j; m|\mathbf{D}(n, k)|j; \ell\rangle = e^{\frac{\pi i}{d}k(m+\ell)}\delta_{m, \ell+n}$$

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{D}^+(n, k)\mathbf{D}(m, \ell)) = d\delta_{nm}\delta_{k\ell}$$

$$\frac{1}{d}\sum_{n, k=-j}^j \mathbf{D}(n, k) = \sum_{n=-j}^j |j; n\rangle\langle j; -n|$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{D}(n, k)\mathbf{D}(m, \ell) &= e^{-\frac{\pi i}{d}(n\ell - km)} \\ &\mathbf{D}(n+m, k+\ell).\end{aligned}$$

- $\mathbf{D}(n, k)$ is not modulo d invariant:

$$\mathbf{D}(n+d, k) = (-1)^k \mathbf{D}(n, k),$$

$$\mathbf{D}(n, k+d) = (-1)^n \mathbf{D}(n, k).$$

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- By writing

$$\begin{cases} |\psi\rangle \text{ instead of } \psi, \\ |q\rangle \text{ instead of the distribution } \delta_q, \\ |n\rangle \text{ instead of Hermite-Gauss function } \Psi_n, \end{cases}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi\rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq |q\rangle \langle q|\psi\rangle, & |\psi\rangle &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |n\rangle \langle n|\psi\rangle, \\ \mathbb{I} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq |q\rangle \langle q|, & \mathbb{I} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |n\rangle \langle n|. \end{aligned}$$

- If A, B satisfy certain conditions, then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A, B \rangle &= \text{tr}(A^+ B) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \langle n|A^+ B|n\rangle \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq \langle q|A^+ B|q\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

- **Displacement operators**

$$\begin{aligned} D(q, p) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qP - pQ)} = e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} \end{aligned}$$

satisfy the relations

$$\begin{aligned} D(q, p)\psi(a) &= e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pa} \psi(a - q), \\ \langle a|D(q, p)|b\rangle &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}p(a+b)} \delta(a - b - q). \end{aligned}$$

- **Parity operators**

where

$$\Pi(q, p) = D(q, p) \Pi D(q, p)^+$$

$$\Pi\psi(q) = \psi(-q),$$

satisfy the relations

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(q, p)\psi(a) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2p(q-a)} \psi(2q - a), \\ \langle a|\Pi(q, p)|b\rangle &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2p(q-a)} \delta_b(2q - a) \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}p(a-b)} \delta(2q - a - b). \end{aligned}$$

- We have

$$\Pi(q, p) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qb - pa)} D(a, b) da db.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- If $A, B: \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$ are two operators, then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A, B \rangle &= \sum_{n, m=-j}^j \overline{\langle j; n|A|j; m\rangle} \langle j; n|B|j; m\rangle \\ &= \sum_{n, m=-j}^j \langle j; m|A^+|j; n\rangle \langle j; n|B|j; m\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m=-j}^j \langle j; m|A^+ B|j; m\rangle = \text{tr}(A^+ B). \end{aligned}$$

- **Discrete displacement operators**

$\mathbf{D}(n, k)$ are *unitary operators*, and

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{D}^+(n, k) \mathbf{D}(m, \ell)) = d \delta_{nm} \delta_{k\ell},$$

that is

$$\langle \mathbf{D}(n, k), \mathbf{D}(m, \ell) \rangle = d \delta_{nm} \delta_{k\ell}.$$

Consequently $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \mathbf{D}(n, k) \right\}$

is an orthonormal basis in d^2 -dimensional *complex Hilbert space* of all the linear operators $C: \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$, and

$$C = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n, k=-j}^j \text{tr}(C \mathbf{D}^+(n, k)) \mathbf{D}(n, k).$$

- **Discrete parity operators**

where

$$\Pi(n, k) = \mathbf{D}(n, k) \Pi \mathbf{D}(n, k)^+$$

$$\Pi\psi(n) = \psi(-n),$$

are *self-adjoint operators*, and

$$\Pi(n, k)\psi(m) = e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}2k(n-m)} \psi(2n - m),$$

$$\langle j; a|\Pi(n, k)|j; b\rangle = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k(a-b)} \delta_{2n, a+b},$$

$$\text{tr}(\Pi(n, k) \Pi(m, \ell)) = d \delta_{nm} \delta_{k\ell},$$

that is

$$\langle \Pi(n, k), \Pi(m, \ell) \rangle = d \delta_{nm} \delta_{k\ell}.$$

Consequently $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \Pi(n, k) \right\}$

is an orthonormal basis in d^2 -dimensional *real Hilbert space* of all the self-adjoint operators $A: \mathbb{C}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$, and

$$A = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n, k=-j}^j \text{tr}(A \Pi(n, k)) \Pi(n, k).$$

- We have

$$\Pi(n, k) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m, \ell=-j}^j e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}(n\ell - km)} \mathbf{D}(m, \ell).$$

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi(q, p)\psi(y) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2p(q-y)} \psi(2q-y), \\ \langle A, B \rangle &= \text{tr}(A^+ B) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq \langle q|A^+ B|q \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

- **Wigner function** of a pure state

$$\psi: \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

with the density operator $\hat{\rho} = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$ is

$$\begin{aligned}W_\psi(q, p) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}px} \overline{\psi(q-\frac{x}{2})} \psi(q+\frac{x}{2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2px} \overline{\psi(q-x)} \psi(q+x) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2px} \langle q-x|\psi \rangle \langle q+x|\psi \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2px} \langle q+x|\psi \rangle \langle \psi|q-x \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2px} \langle q+x|\hat{\rho}|q-x \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

We also have:

$$\begin{aligned}W_\psi(q, p) &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}2qy} \overline{F[\psi](p-y)} F[\psi](p+y), \\ W_\psi(q, p) &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2px} \overline{\psi(q-x)} \psi(q+x) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2p(q-y)} \overline{\psi(y)} \psi(2q-y) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \overline{\psi(y)} \Pi(q, p)\psi(y) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \langle \psi | \Pi(q, p) | \psi \rangle, \\ W_\psi(q, p) &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \overline{\psi(y)} \Pi(q, p)\psi(y) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \overline{\langle y|\psi \rangle} \langle y|\Pi(q, p)|\psi \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \langle y|\Pi(q, p)|\psi \rangle \langle \psi|y \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \text{tr}(\Pi(q, p)|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \text{tr}(\Pi(q, p) \hat{\rho}) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi(q, p)).\end{aligned}$$

- $W_{\hat{\rho}}(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi(q, p)).$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- In $\mathbb{C}^d \equiv \{ \psi: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \}$, we have:

$$\Pi(n, k)\psi(m) = e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}2k(n-m)} \psi(2n-m).$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle A, B \rangle &= \sum_{n,m=-j}^j \overline{\langle j; n|A|j; m \rangle} \langle j; n|B|j; m \rangle \\ &= \sum_{n,m=-j}^j \langle j; m|A^+|j; n \rangle \langle j; n|B|j; m \rangle \\ &= \sum_{m=-j}^j \langle j; m|A^+ B|j; m \rangle = \text{tr}(A^+ B).\end{aligned}$$

- If $\hat{\rho} = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(\hat{\rho} A) &= \text{tr}(|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| A) \\ &= \sum_{m=-j}^j \langle j; m|\psi\rangle\langle\psi| A|j; m \rangle \\ &= \sum_{m=-j}^j \langle \psi| A|j; m \rangle \langle j; m|\psi \rangle \\ &= \langle \psi| A|\psi \rangle.\end{aligned}$$

A version of discrete Wigner function

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- **Wigner function** of a pure state

$$\psi: \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is

$$W_\psi: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$W_\psi(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} 2px} \overline{\psi(q-x)} \psi(q+x) dx$$

- We have $\langle F[\delta], \varphi \rangle = \langle \delta, F[\varphi] \rangle = F[\varphi](0)$
 $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(q) dq = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \langle 1, \varphi \rangle,$

whence

$$F[\delta] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}}, \quad \text{that is} \quad F^{-1}[1] = \sqrt{2\pi\hbar}.$$

From this relation, written as

$$\frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} pq} dq = \delta(p)$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W_\psi(q, p) dp &= 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(-2x) \overline{\psi(q-x)} \psi(q+x) dx \\ &= 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) \overline{\psi(q-\frac{x}{2})} \psi(q+\frac{x}{2}) dx = |\psi(q)|^2. \end{aligned}$$

- By using the change of variables

$$\begin{cases} q-x=u \\ q+x=v \end{cases}$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} |F[\psi](p)|^2 &= \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} pq} \psi(q) dq \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} pu} \overline{\psi(u)} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} pv} \psi(v) dudv \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} p2x} \overline{\psi(q-x)} \psi(q+x) dx dq \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W_\psi(q, p) dq. \end{aligned}$$

- From

$$W_\psi(q, p) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} px} \overline{\psi(q-\frac{x}{2})} \psi(q+\frac{x}{2}) dx$$

we obtain

$$\overline{\psi(q-\frac{x}{2})} \psi(q+\frac{x}{2}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} px} W_\psi(q, p) dp,$$

whence

$$\psi(x) = \frac{1}{\psi(0)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} px} W_\psi(\frac{x}{2}, p) dp.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- **Discrete Wigner function** of a pure state

$$\psi: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is

$$\mathbf{W}_\psi: \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d} 2km} \overline{\psi(n-m)} \psi(n+m).}$$

We see that

$$\mathbf{W}_\psi(n+d, k) = \mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k) = \mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k+d)$$

- From $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d} 2km} = d \delta_{2m,0} = d \delta_{m,0}$

we get

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_d} \mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k) = |\psi(n)|^2.$$

- We have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{F}[\psi](k)|^2 &= \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d} kn} \psi(n) \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d} k\alpha} \overline{\psi(\alpha)} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d} k\beta} \psi(\beta) \\ &= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d} k(\alpha-\beta)} \overline{\psi(\alpha)} \psi(\beta). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d : (n, m) \mapsto (n-m, n+m)$$

is bijective, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_d} \mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k) &= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n, m \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d} 2km} \overline{\psi(n-m)} \psi(n+m) \\ &= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d} k(\alpha-\beta)} \overline{\psi(\alpha)} \psi(\beta) = |\mathbf{F}[\psi](k)|^2. \end{aligned}$$

- From

$$\mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d} 2km} \overline{\psi(n-m)} \psi(n+m)$$

we obtain

$$\overline{\psi(n-m)} \psi(n+m) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d} 2km} \mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k),$$

whence

$$\psi(2n) = \frac{1}{\psi(0)} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}_d} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d} 2kn} \mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k).$$

For odd $d=2j+1$, we have

$$\psi(2n+1) = \psi(2n+1+d) = \psi(2(n+j+1)).$$

Wigner function of a discrete Gaussian function

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Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- **Wigner function** of a pure state

$$\psi: \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is

$$W_\psi: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$W_\psi(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi \hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} 2px} \overline{\psi(q-x)} \psi(q+x) dx$$

- The **continuous Gaussian** function

$$g_\kappa: \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad g_\kappa(q) = e^{-\frac{\kappa}{2} q^2},$$

where $\kappa \in (0, \infty)$, satisfies the relation

$$F[g_\kappa] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa}} g_{\frac{1}{\kappa}}.$$

- The corresponding Wigner function is

$$W_{g_\kappa}(q, p) = 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\kappa}} e^{-\kappa q^2} e^{-\frac{1}{\kappa} p^2},$$

that is

$$W_{g_\kappa}(q, p) = 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\kappa}} g_{2\kappa}(q) g_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(p).$$

- Since

$$W_{g_\kappa}(q, p) = 2\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\kappa}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(q \ p) \begin{pmatrix} 2\kappa & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\kappa} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} q \\ p \end{pmatrix}}$$

the function

$$g_\kappa(q) = e^{-\frac{\kappa}{2} q^2}$$

represents a Gaussian state of continuous variable with the covariance matrix

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 2\kappa & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\kappa} \end{pmatrix} > 0.$$

- **Discrete Wigner function** of a pure state

$$\psi: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is

$$\mathbf{W}_\psi: \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$\mathbf{W}_\psi(n, k) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m=-j}^j e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d} 2km} \overline{\psi(n-m)} \psi(n+m)$$

- The **discrete Gaussian** function

$$\mathbf{g}_\kappa: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \boxed{\mathbf{g}_\kappa(n) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\kappa\pi}{d} (md+n)^2}},$$

where $\kappa \in (0, \infty)$, satisfies the relation

$$\mathbf{F}[\mathbf{g}_\kappa] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa}} \mathbf{g}_{\frac{1}{\kappa}}.$$

- The corresponding discrete Wigner function is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{g}_\kappa}(n, k) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \mathbf{g}_{2\kappa}(n) \mathbf{g}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \mathbf{g}_{2\kappa}(n) \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{2\kappa}(n) \mathbf{g}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k) \\ &- \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{2\kappa}(n) \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k). \end{aligned}$$

where the function

$$\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_\kappa: \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_\kappa(n) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\kappa\pi}{d} ((m+\frac{1}{2})d+n)^2},$$

can also be regarded as a discrete Gaussian.

- Proofs based on Fourier series and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) dx &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{m\sqrt{2\pi d}}^{(m+1)\sqrt{2\pi d}} \varphi(x) dx, \\ \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(m) &= \sum_{n=-j}^j \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(md+n), \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\xi t} e^{-at^2} dt &= \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} e^{-\frac{\xi^2}{4a}}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{n,m=-\infty}^{\infty} N_{n,m} = \sum_{k,\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} N_{k+\ell,k-\ell} + \sum_{k,\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} N_{k+\ell+1,k-\ell}.$$

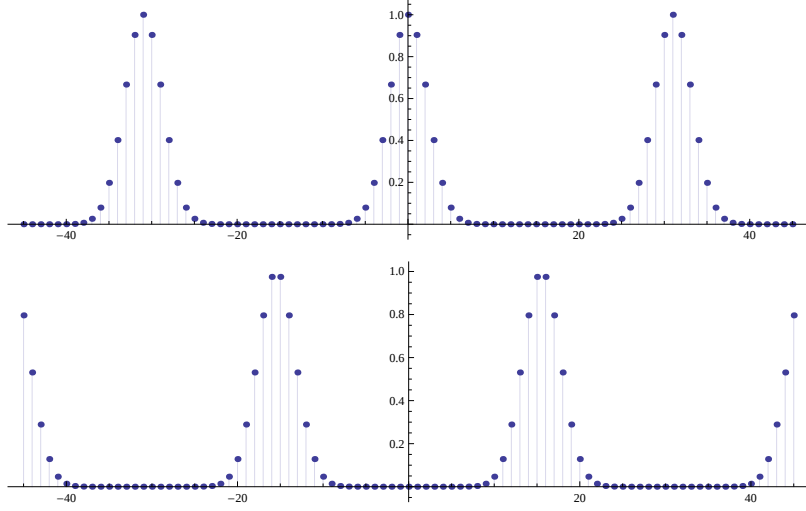


Figure 1: The discrete Gaussian functions $\mathbf{g}_1$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_1$ in the case $d=31$.

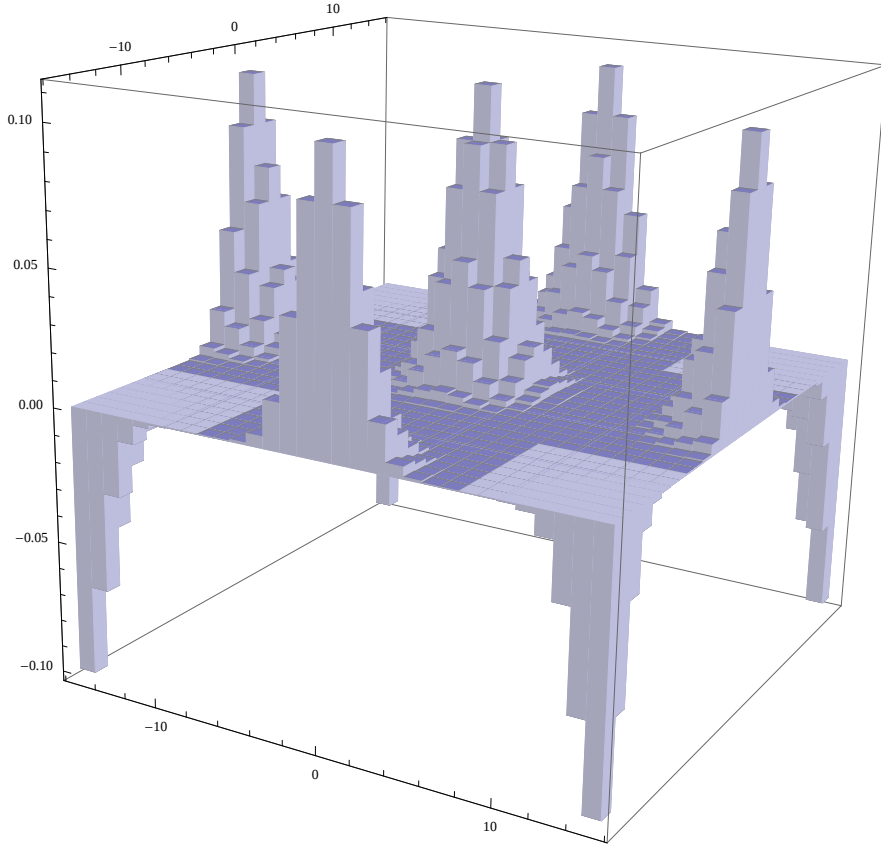


Figure 2: The discrete Wigner function $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{g}_1}$ in the case $d=31$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{g}_\kappa}(n, k) = & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \mathbf{g}_{2\kappa}(n) \mathbf{g}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \mathbf{g}_{2\kappa}(n) \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k) \\ & + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{2\kappa}(n) \mathbf{g}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\kappa d}} \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{2\kappa}(n) \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_{\frac{2}{\kappa}}(k). \end{aligned}$$

Finite frame quantization

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Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- The **canonical coherent states**

$$|q, p\rangle = D(q, p)|0\rangle,$$

where $q, p \in \mathbb{R}$

$$D(q, p) = e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP},$$

and

$$|0\rangle = \frac{|g_1\rangle}{\|g_1\|} = \frac{|g_1\rangle}{\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi}}}, \quad g_1(q) = e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}},$$

satisfy the resolution of the identity

$$\mathbb{I} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} |q, p\rangle \langle q, p| \, dq dp$$

and

$$\langle q|a, b\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi}}} e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}ab} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}bq} e^{-\frac{(q-a)^2}{2}}.$$

- **Canonical state quantization:**

To a function

$$f: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

we associate the operator (if it exists !)

$$A_f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} f(q, p) |q, p\rangle \langle q, p| \, dq dp.$$

- Examples:

In the case $f(q, p) = q$, we get

$$A_q = \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} q |q, p\rangle \langle q, p| \, dq dp = Q.$$

In the case $f(q, p) = p$, we get

$$A_p = \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} p |q, p\rangle \langle q, p| \, dq dp = P.$$

- We have

$$P = F^{-1} Q F.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d = 2j+1$)

- The **discrete coherent states**

$$|n, k\rangle = \mathbf{D}(n, k)|0\rangle,$$

where $n, k \in \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\}$,

$$\mathbf{D}(n, k) = e^{-\frac{\pi i}{d}nk} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}}$$

and

$$|0\rangle = \frac{|\mathbf{g}_1\rangle}{\|\mathbf{g}_1\|}, \quad \mathbf{g}_1(n) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\pi}{d}(md+n)^2},$$

satisfy the resolution of the identity

$$\mathbb{I} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n,k=-j}^j |n, k\rangle \langle n, k|$$

and

$$\langle j; m|n, k\rangle = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{g}_1\|} e^{-\frac{\pi i}{d}nk} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}km} \mathbf{g}_1(m-n).$$

- **Finite frame quantization:**

To a function

$$f: \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j\} \times \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

we associate the operator

$$\boxed{\mathbf{A}_f = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n,k=-j}^j f(n, k) |n, k\rangle \langle n, k|}.$$

- Examples:

In the case $f(n, k) = n$, we get

$$\mathbf{A}_q = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n,k=-j}^j n |n, k\rangle \langle n, k| \neq \mathbf{Q}.$$

In the case $f(n, k) = k$, we get

$$\mathbf{A}_p = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n,k=-j}^j k |n, k\rangle \langle n, k| \neq \mathbf{P}.$$

- We have

$$\mathbf{A}_p = \mathbf{F}^{-1} \mathbf{A}_q \mathbf{F}, \quad \text{similar to} \quad \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{F}^{-1} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{F},$$

and

$$\mathbf{Q}|j; m\rangle = m|j; m\rangle, \quad \mathbf{A}_q|j; m\rangle = \lambda_m|j; m\rangle,$$

where $\lambda_m = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{g}_1\|} \sum_{n=-j}^j n(\mathbf{g}_1(m-n))^2$.

- By using $\mathbf{A}_q, \mathbf{A}_p$ instead of $\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{P}$ we get an alternative version for the discrete phase space $\mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d$.

Finite Fractional Fourier Transform - an alternative definition

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Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- The harmonic oscillator Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned} H &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dq^2} + \frac{1}{2} q^2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (F^{-1} q^2 F + q^2) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + F \frac{d^2}{dq^2} F^{-1} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} dq dp \frac{q^2 + p^2}{2} |q, p\rangle \langle q, p|. \end{aligned}$$

commutes with Fourier transform,

$$HF = FH, \quad \text{that is} \quad F^{-1}HF = H$$

and the **Hermite-Gauss functions**

$$\Psi_n(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n! \sqrt{\pi}}} H_n(q) e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}},$$

denoted by $|n\rangle$, are common eigenfunctions:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle n|m\rangle &= \delta_{nm}, \quad \mathbb{I} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |n\rangle \langle n|, \\ H|n\rangle &= (n + \frac{1}{2})|n\rangle, \quad H = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n + \frac{1}{2})|n\rangle \langle n|, \\ F|n\rangle &= (-i)^n |n\rangle, \quad F = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^n |n\rangle \langle n|, \end{aligned}$$

- **Fractional Fourier transform**

$$F^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^{n\alpha} |n\rangle \langle n|.$$

- We have

$$F = P_0 - iP_1 - P_2 + iP_3 = \sum_{m=0}^3 (-i)^m P_m,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} P_0 &= \frac{1}{4}(\mathbb{I} + F + F^2 + F^3) \\ P_2 &= \frac{1}{4}(\mathbb{I} - F + F^2 - F^3) \\ P_1 &= \frac{1}{4}(\mathbb{I} + iF - F^2 - iF^3) \\ P_3 &= \frac{1}{4}(\mathbb{I} - iF - F^2 + iF^3). \end{aligned}$$

- The Hamiltonian

$$\mathbf{H} = -\frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{D}^2 + \mathbf{F} \mathcal{D}^2 \mathbf{F}^{-1})$$

where $\mathcal{D}^2$ is the finite difference operator

$$\mathcal{D}^2 \psi(n) = \psi(n+1) - 2\psi(n) + \psi(n-1)$$

is Fourier invariant

$$\mathbf{H}\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{H},$$

and its eigenfunctions (**Harper functions**) $\mathbf{h}_n$ considered in the increasing order of sign alternations, satisfy the relation

$$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{h}_n = (-i)^n \mathbf{h}_n.$$

Consequently

$$\mathbf{F} = \sum_{n=0}^{d-1} (-i)^n |\mathbf{h}_n\rangle \langle \mathbf{h}_n|.$$

- **Finite fractional Fourier transform**

$$\mathbf{F}^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{d-1} (-i)^{n\alpha} |\mathbf{h}_n\rangle \langle \mathbf{h}_n|.$$

- Since $\mathbf{F}|n, k\rangle = |k, -n\rangle$, the operator

$$\mathbf{H}_f = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n,k=-j}^j \frac{n^2 + k^2}{2} |n, k\rangle \langle n, k|$$

defined by using finite frame quantization

is Fourier invariant

$$\mathbf{H}_f \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H}_f,$$

and its eigenfunctions $\mathbf{f}_n$, considered in the increasing order of sign alternations, satisfy the relation

$$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{f}_n = (-i)^n \mathbf{f}_n.$$

- New **finite fractional Fourier transform**

$$\mathbf{F}^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{d-1} (-i)^{n\alpha} |\mathbf{f}_n\rangle \langle \mathbf{f}_n|.$$

A discrete Wigner function [W.K. Wootters, *Ann. Phys.* **176**(1987)1-21]

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- The Gaussian function

$$\psi_c(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar b}} e^{-\frac{ia}{2\hbar b}(q-\frac{c}{a})^2}$$

is an eigenfunction of $aQ + bP$:

$$(aQ + bP)\psi_c = c\psi_c.$$

- To each $(q, p) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ we associate the **parity operator** $\Pi(q, p)$ defined as

$$\Pi(q, p)\psi(a) = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2p(q-a)} \psi(2q-a),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a | \Pi(q, p) | b \rangle &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}2p(q-a)} \delta_b(2q-a) \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}p(a-b)} \delta(2q-a-b). \end{aligned}$$

The operators $\Pi(q, p)$ have the properties:

a) $\text{tr} \Pi(q, p) = 1$

b) $\text{tr}(\Pi(q, p) \Pi(a, b)) = 2\pi\hbar \delta(q-a) \delta(p-b)$

c) $\{ \Pi(q, p) \mid (q, p) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \}$ is a complete set

d) $\int_{c_1}^{c_2} |\psi_c\rangle \langle \psi_c| dc = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{c_1 \leq aq+bp \leq c_2} \Pi(q, p) dqdp$

- To each density operator $\hat{\rho}: L^2(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R})$, we associate the **Wigner function**

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}(q, p) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi(q, p))$$

satisfying the relation

$$\hat{\rho} = \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} W_{\hat{\rho}}(q, p) \Pi(q, p) dqdp.$$

It has the properties (among many others):

1) $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} W_{\hat{\rho}}(q, p) dqdp = 1$

2) $\text{tr}(\hat{\rho}_1 \hat{\rho}_2) = \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} W_{\hat{\rho}_1}(q, p) W_{\hat{\rho}_2}(q, p) dqdp$

3) probability that $aQ + bP$ will yield a value between c_1 and c_2 in the state $\hat{\rho}$ is

$$\text{tr} \left(\hat{\rho} \int_{c_1}^{c_2} |\psi_c\rangle \langle \psi_c| dc \right) = \iint_{c_1 \leq aq+bp \leq c_2} W_{\hat{\rho}}(q, p) dqdp.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (prime $d=2j+1$)

- To each $(n, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d$ we associate the **parity operator** $\Pi(n, k)$ defined as

$$\Pi(n, k)\psi(m) = e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}2k(n-m)} \psi(2n-m),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle j; a | \Pi(n, k) | j; b \rangle &= e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}2k(n-a)} \delta_b(2n-a) \\ &= e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k(a-b)} \delta_{2n, a+b}. \end{aligned}$$

The operators $\Pi(n, k)$ have the properties:

a) $\text{tr} \Pi(n, k) = 1$

b) $\text{tr}(\Pi(n_1, k_1) \Pi(n_2, k_2)) = d \delta_{n_1 n_2} \delta_{k_1 k_2}$

c) $\{ \Pi(n, k) \mid (n, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \}$ complete set

d) For each $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_d$, the operators

$$P_{\lambda_c} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{(n, k) \in \lambda_c} \Pi(n, k)$$

corresponding to the d lines

$$\lambda_c = \{ (n, k) \in \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \mid an + bk = c \}$$

are mutually orthogonal projectors, and

$$\sum_{c \in \mathbb{Z}_d} P_{\lambda_c} = \mathbb{I}.$$

- To each density operator $\hat{\rho}: \mathbb{C}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$, we associate the **Wigner function**

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}: \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}(n, k) = \frac{1}{d} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi(n, k))$$

satisfying the relation

$$\hat{\rho} = \sum_{n, k \in \mathbb{Z}_d} W_{\hat{\rho}}(n, k) \Pi(n, k).$$

It has the properties:

1) $\sum_{n, k \in \mathbb{Z}_d} W_{\hat{\rho}}(n, k) = 1$

2) $\text{tr}(\hat{\rho}_1 \hat{\rho}_2) = \sum_{n, k \in \mathbb{Z}_d} W_{\hat{\rho}_1}(n, k) W_{\hat{\rho}_2}(n, k)$

3) probability that $aQ + bP$ will yield the eigenvalue c in the state $\hat{\rho}$ is

$$\text{tr}(\hat{\rho} P_{\lambda_c}) = \sum_{(n, k) \in \lambda_c} W_{\hat{\rho}}(n, k).$$

Discrete Wigner, Husimi and Glauber-Sudarshan functions

[M.A. Marchiolli and M. Ruzzi, Journal of Russian Laser Research **32** (2011) 381]

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- The **canonical coherent states**

$$|q, p\rangle = D(q, p)|0\rangle,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} D(q, p) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qP-pQ)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|0\rangle = \frac{|g_1\rangle}{\|g_1\|} = \frac{|g_1\rangle}{\sqrt[4]{\pi}}, \quad g_1(q) = e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}},$$

satisfy the resolution of the identity

$$\mathbb{I} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} |q, p\rangle \langle q, p| \, dq dp.$$

- The **parity operators** satisfy:

$$\Pi(q, p) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qb-pa)} D(a, b) \, dadb.$$

- **Cahill-Glauber approach:**

By using the mapping kernel

$$T^{(s)}(q, p) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qb-pa)} D(a, b) (\langle 0|a, b\rangle)^{-s} \, dadb,$$

where the parameter $s \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfies $|s| \leq 1$, a linear operator O can be written as

$$O = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \mathcal{O}^{(s)}(q, p) T^{(-s)}(q, p) \, dq dp,$$

where $\mathcal{O}^{(s)}: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$\mathcal{O}^{(s)}(q, p) = \text{tr}(O T^{(s)}(q, p)).$$

Particularly,

$\mathcal{O}^{(0)}(q, p)$ is the **Wigner function**,
 $\mathcal{O}^{(-1)}(q, p)$ is the **Husimi function**,
 $\mathcal{O}^{(1)}(q, p)$ is the **Glauber-Sudarshan function**.

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ (odd $d=2j+1$)

- The **discrete coherent states**

$$|n, k\rangle = \mathbf{D}(n, k)|0\rangle,$$

where $n, k \in \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{D}(n, k) &= e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}\{2^{-1}nk\}} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}} \\ &= e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}\{2^{-1}nk\}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}n\mathbf{P}} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{d}k\mathbf{Q}}, \end{aligned}$$

with $\{2^{-1}nk\} \in \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\}$

the element satisfying the relation

$$2\{2^{-1}nk\} \equiv nk \pmod{d}$$

and

$$|0\rangle = \frac{|\mathbf{g}_1\rangle}{\|\mathbf{g}_1\|}, \quad \mathbf{g}_1(n) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\pi}{d}(md+n)^2}.$$

- The **discrete parity operators** satisfy:

$$\Pi(n, k) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m, \ell=-j}^j e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}(n\ell-km)} \mathbf{D}(m, \ell).$$

- **Discrete Cahill-Glauber approach:**

By using the mapping kernel

$$\mathbf{T}^{(s)}(n, k) = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m, \ell=-j}^j e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}(n\ell-km)} \mathbf{D}(m, \ell) (\langle 0|m, \ell\rangle)^{-s}$$

where the parameter $s \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfies $|s| \leq 1$, a linear operator $\mathbf{O}$ can be written as

$$\mathbf{O} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{m, \ell=-j}^j \mathcal{O}^{(s)}(q, p) \mathbf{T}^{(-s)}(q, p),$$

where $\mathcal{O}^{(s)}: \mathbb{Z}_d \times \mathbb{Z}_d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$\boxed{\mathcal{O}^{(s)}(n, k) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{O} \mathbf{T}^{(s)}(n, k))}.$$

Particularly,

$\mathcal{O}^{(0)}(n, k)$ is the **discrete Wigner function**,
 $\mathcal{O}^{(-1)}(n, k)$ is the **discrete Husimi function**,
 $\mathcal{O}^{(1)}(n, k)$ is the **discrete Glauber-Sudarshan function**.

Wigner functions for arbitrary finite-dimensional systems

[T. Tilma, M.J. Everitt, J.H. Samson *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **117** (18) Oct. 2016]

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- Representation of Weyl-Heisenberg group

$$\begin{aligned} D(q, p) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qP - pQ)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} \end{aligned}$$

- Parity operators

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(q, p) &= D(q, p) \Pi D(q, p)^+ \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} \Pi e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Pi\psi(q) = \psi(-q),$$

- Phase space is the plane

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \{ \Omega = (q, p) \mid q, p \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

with measure $d\Omega = dqdp$.

- To each self-adjoint operator $\hat{\rho}$ we associate the **Wigner function**

$$\begin{aligned} W_{\hat{\rho}}: \mathbb{R}^2 &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}, \\ W_{\hat{\rho}}(\Omega) &= \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Delta(\Omega)), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Delta(\Omega) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \Pi(\Omega).$$

It has the properties:

- 1) we can reconstruct $\hat{\rho}$ from $W_{\hat{\rho}}$;
- 2) $\Omega \mapsto W_{\hat{\rho}}(\Omega)$ is a real function;
- 3) $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} W_{\hat{\rho}}(\Omega) d\Omega = \text{tr} \hat{\rho}$ and $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \Delta(\Omega) d\Omega = \mathbb{I}$;
- 4) $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} W_{\hat{\rho}_1}(\Omega) W_{\hat{\rho}_2}(\Omega) d\Omega = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho}_1 \hat{\rho}_2)$;
- 5) $\hat{\rho}$ invariant under unitary U , then so is $W_{\hat{\rho}}$.

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^2$ (case of a qubit)

- Two-dimensional representation of SU(2)

$$D^{\frac{1}{2}}(\theta, \phi, \Phi) = e^{i\phi\sigma_z} e^{i\theta\sigma_y} e^{i\Phi\sigma_z}$$

(described in terms of Euler angles).

- “Parity” operators

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(\theta, \phi) &= D^{\frac{1}{2}}(\theta, \phi, \Phi) \Pi D^{\frac{1}{2}}(\theta, \phi, \Phi)^+ \\ &= e^{i\phi\sigma_z} e^{i\theta\sigma_y} \Pi e^{-i\theta\sigma_y} e^{-i\phi\sigma_z}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Pi = \mathbb{I}_2 - \sqrt{3}\sigma_z.$$

- Phase space is the sphere

$$S_2 = \{ \Omega = (\theta, \phi) \mid \theta \in [0, \pi], \phi \in [0, 2\pi) \}$$

with Haar measure $d\Omega = \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$.

- To each self-adjoint operator $\hat{\rho}$ we associate the **Wigner function**

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}: S_2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$\boxed{W_{\hat{\rho}}(\theta, \phi) = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Delta(\theta, \phi))}$$

where

$$\Delta(\theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{2} \Pi(\theta, \phi).$$

It has some similar properties

A Wigner function defined by using $\mathbb{R}^3$ as a phase space

[N.M. Atakishiyev, S.M. Chumakov, K.B. Wolf, *J. Math. Phys.* **39** (1998) 6247]

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- Representation of Weyl-Heisenberg group

$$\begin{aligned} D(q, p) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qP - pQ)} = e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ}. \end{aligned}$$

- Parity operators

where $\Pi(q, p) = D(q, p) \Pi D(q, p)^+$

$$\Pi\psi(q) = \psi(-q),$$

satisfy the relation

$$\Pi(q, p) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} dx dy e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qy - px)} D(x, y).$$

- To each self-adjoint operator $\hat{\rho}$ we associate the **Wigner function**

$$W_{\hat{\rho}} : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi(q, p)).$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^{2j+1}$

- $(2j+1)$ -dimensional representation of $\text{SU}(2)$

$$D^j[\mathbf{y}] : \mathbb{C}^{2j+1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^{2j+1}$$

in the polar parametrization

$$g[\mathbf{y}] = e^{-i\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{J}} = e^{-i\eta(v_1 J_1 + v_2 J_2 + v_3 J_3)}$$

where $\mathbf{y} = \eta(v_1, v_2, v_3)$ with

$$0 \leq \eta < 4\pi \quad \text{is the rotation angle,}$$

$$(v_1, v_2, v_3) = (\sin \theta \sin \phi, \sin \theta \cos \phi, \cos \theta)$$

is the rotation axis,

and

$$dg[\mathbf{y}] = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \frac{\eta}{2} \sin \theta d\eta d\theta d\phi$$

is the invariant measure.

- For each $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ we define

$$\Pi(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\text{SU}(2)} dg[\mathbf{y}] e^{i\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}} D^j[\mathbf{y}]$$

- To each self-adjoint operator

$$\hat{\rho} : \mathbb{C}^{2j+1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^{2j+1}$$

we associate the **Wigner function**

$$W_{\hat{\rho}} : \mathbb{R}^3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$\boxed{W_{\hat{\rho}}(\mathbf{x}) = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi(\mathbf{x}))}.$$

The space $\mathbb{C}^{2j+1}$ regarded as a space of tempered distributions

[J. Kijowski *et al.*, Wigner function of a qubit, arXiv:1512.02867v1, 9 Dec 2015]

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- **Periodic distributions with periodic Fourier transform.**

If $\psi : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is periodic, that is

$$\psi = T_a \psi,$$

where $T_a \psi$ is the distribution

$$\langle T_a \psi, \varphi \rangle = \langle \psi, \varphi(q-a) \rangle,$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle F[\psi], \varphi \rangle &= \langle \psi, F[\varphi] \rangle \\ &= \langle T_a \psi, F[\varphi] \rangle \\ &= \langle \psi, F[\varphi](q-a) \rangle \\ &= \langle \psi, F[e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} a p} \varphi] \rangle \\ &= \langle F[\psi], e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} a p} \varphi \rangle \\ &= \langle e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} a p} F[\psi], \varphi \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$(1 - e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} a p}) F[\psi] = 0.$$

Consequently, $F[\psi]$ has the form

$$F[\psi] = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n \delta_{n \frac{\hbar}{a}} \quad (c_n \in \mathbb{C}).$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \psi \text{ periodic} \\ F[\psi] \text{ periodic} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F[\psi] \text{ has the form:} \\ F[\psi] = \sum_{n=-j}^j \psi_n \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta_{(n+\ell d) \frac{\hbar}{a}}. \end{array} \right.$$

(to be compared with Zak basis states).

- **The standard Wigner function**

$$W_\psi(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi \hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} 2 p x} \overline{\psi(q-x)} \psi(q+x) dx$$

has the marginal properties

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W_\psi(q, p) dp &= |\psi(q)|^2, \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} W_\psi(q, p) dq &= |F[\psi](p)|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^d$ ($d=2j+1$)

- $\mathbb{C}^d$ can be regarded as a space of functions :
 $\mathbb{C}^d = \{ \psi : \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \}.$

$\mathbb{C}^d$ can be regarded as a space of distributions by identifying the function

$$\psi : \{-j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : n \mapsto \psi_n$$

with the periodic distribution

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{n=-j}^j \psi_n \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x - (n+\ell d)\hbar),$$

that is

$$\psi = \sum_{n=-j}^j \psi_n \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta_{(n+\ell d)\hbar}.$$

- By relaxing the periodicity (“*not the wave function but the physical state must be periodic*”), the authors identify ψ with

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n=-j}^j \psi_n e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \varphi_0 x} \delta(x - (n+\ell d)\hbar),$$

(φ_0 is a constant) that is, with the distribution

$$\boxed{\psi = \sum_{n=-j}^j \psi_n \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \varphi_0 (n+\ell d)} \delta_{(n+\ell d)\hbar}.$$

- The embedding $\mathbb{C}^d \subset \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$ allows us to use the definitions of Fourier transform and Wigner function from the continuous case.

- **Phase space** is the 2-dimensional sphere of radius $\sqrt{j}$ equipped with the symplectic structure

$$\omega = -j \sin \vartheta d\vartheta \wedge d\varphi = d\varphi \wedge d\xi,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= j(1 - \cos \vartheta) - \frac{\hbar}{2} \text{ plays the role of “position”} \\ \varphi &\text{ plays the role of “momentum”.} \end{aligned}$$

- **Discrete Wigner distribution**

$$W_\psi(\xi, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2d} \sum_{\ell, m=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n=-j}^j \bar{\psi}_n \psi_{m-n} e^{-\frac{\pi i}{d} \ell (2n-\ell)} \delta(\xi - \frac{\hbar}{2} m) \delta(\varphi - \varphi_0 - \frac{\pi}{d} \ell)$$

has some interesting properties.

Finite fractional Fourier-Kravchuk transform

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- By orthogonalizing

$$1, q, q^2, q^3, \dots$$

with respect to the scalar product

$$\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-q^2} \overline{\varphi(q)} \psi(q) dq$$

we get the **Hermite polynomials**

$$H_0, H_1, H_2, H_3, \dots$$

where

$$H_n(q) = (-1)^n e^{q^2} \frac{d^n}{dq^n} (e^{-q^2}).$$

They satisfy the relation

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-q^2} H_n(q) H_k(q) dq = 2^n n! \sqrt{\pi} \delta_{nk}.$$

- The **Hermite-Gauss** functions

$$\Psi_0, \Psi_1, \Psi_2, \Psi_3, \dots$$

where

$$\Psi_n(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n! \sqrt{\pi}}} H_n(q) e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}}$$

satisfy the orthogonality relation

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_n(q) \Psi_m(q) dq = \delta_{nm},$$

that is

$$\langle \Psi_n | \Psi_m \rangle = \delta_{nm},$$

and the completeness relation

$$\mathbb{I} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\Psi_n\rangle \langle \Psi_n|.$$

- **Fourier transform:**

$$F = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^n |\Psi_n\rangle \langle \Psi_n|.$$

- **Fractional Fourier transform :**

$$F^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^{n\alpha} |\Psi_n\rangle \langle \Psi_n|.$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^{2j+1}$

- By orthogonalizing

$$1, k, k^2, k^3, \dots$$

with respect to the scalar product

$$\langle \varphi, \psi \rangle = \sum_{n=-j}^j C_{2j}^{j+k} \overline{\varphi(k)} \psi(k)$$

we get the **Kravchuk polynomials**

$$K_{-j}, K_{-j+1}, \dots, K_{j-1}, K_j,$$

where

$$K_n(k) = \sum_{m=0}^{j+n} (-1)^m C_{j+k}^m C_{j-k}^{j+n-m}.$$

They satisfy the relation

$$\frac{1}{2^j} \sum_{k=-j}^j C_{2j}^{j+k} K_n(k) K_m(k) = C_{2j}^{j+n} \delta_{nm}.$$

- The **Kravchuk** functions

$$\mathfrak{K}_{-j}, \mathfrak{K}_{-j+1}, \dots, \mathfrak{K}_{j-1}, \mathfrak{K}_j,$$

where

$$\mathfrak{K}_n(k) = \frac{1}{2^j} \sqrt{\frac{C_{2j}^{j+k}}{C_{2j}^{j+n}}} K_n(k)$$

satisfy the orthogonality relation

$$\sum_{k=-j}^j \mathfrak{K}_n(k) \mathfrak{K}_m(k) = \delta_{nm},$$

that is

$$\langle \mathfrak{K}_n | \mathfrak{K}_m \rangle = \delta_{nm},$$

and the completeness relation

$$\mathbb{I} = \sum_{n=-j}^j |\mathfrak{K}_n\rangle \langle \mathfrak{K}_n|.$$

In addition,

$$\mathfrak{K}_n(k) = \mathfrak{K}_k(n).$$

- **Finite Fourier-Kravchuk transform:**

$$\mathbf{F}_K = \sum_{n=-j}^j (-i)^{j+n} |\mathfrak{K}_n\rangle \langle \mathfrak{K}_n|.$$

- **Finite fractional Fourier-Kravchuk :**

$$\boxed{\mathbf{F}_K^\alpha = \sum_{n=-j}^j (-i)^{(j+n)\alpha} |\mathfrak{K}_n\rangle \langle \mathfrak{K}_n|}.$$

Finite Wigner-Kravchuk function

[T. Hakioglu and K. Wolf, J. Phys. A: Math. Gen. **33** (2000) 3313]

Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- **Fractional Fourier transform :**

$$F^\alpha = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^{n\alpha} |\Psi_n\rangle \langle \Psi_n|$$

satisfies the relations:

$$F^4 = \mathbb{I}, \quad F^2 = \Pi$$

where $\Pi\psi(q) = \psi(-q)$.

- **Elementary translation operators:**

$$U = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}Q}$$

$$V = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}P} = FUF^{-1}$$

- **Displacement operators**

$$\begin{aligned} D(q, p) &= e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qP - pQ)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} = e^{-\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} U^p V^q \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}qP} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}pQ} = e^{\frac{i}{2\hbar}pq} V^q U^p. \end{aligned}$$

- **Parity operators**

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(q, p) &= D(q, p) \Pi D(q, p)^+ \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}(qb - pa)} D(a, b) da db. \end{aligned}$$

- **Wigner function**

$$W_\psi(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \langle \psi | \Pi(q, p) | \psi \rangle,$$

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi(q, p)).$$

Hilbert space $\mathbb{C}^{2j+1}$

- **Fractional Fourier-Kravchuk transform**

$$\mathbf{F}_K^\alpha = \sum_{n=-j}^j (-i)^{(j+n)\alpha} |\mathfrak{K}_n\rangle \langle \mathfrak{K}_n|$$

satisfies the relations:

$$\mathbf{F}_K^4 = \mathbb{I}, \quad \mathbf{F}_K^2 = \Pi$$

where $\Pi\psi(n) = \psi(-n)$.

- **Kravchuk translation operators:**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{U}_K &= \mathbf{F}_K^{\frac{4}{d}} \\ \mathbf{V}_K &= \mathbf{F}_K \mathbf{U}_K \mathbf{F}_K^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

- **Kravchuk displacement operators**

$$\mathbf{D}_K(n, k) = e^{-\frac{\pi i}{d}} \mathbf{U}_K^n \mathbf{V}_K^k.$$

- **Kravchuk parity operators**

$$\Pi_K(n, k) = \frac{1}{d^2} \sum_{\ell=-j}^j \sum_{m=-j}^j e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{d}(nm - k\ell)} \mathbf{D}_K(\ell, m).$$

- **Finite Wigner-Kravchuk function**

$$\mathbf{W}_K[\psi](n, k) = \langle \psi | \Pi_K(n, k) | \psi \rangle$$

corresponding to a function ψ ,

$$\mathbf{W}_K[\hat{\rho}](n, k) = \text{tr}(\hat{\rho} \Pi_K(n, k))$$

corresponding to a self-adjoint operator $\hat{\rho}$.

Bases and frames in the continuous case

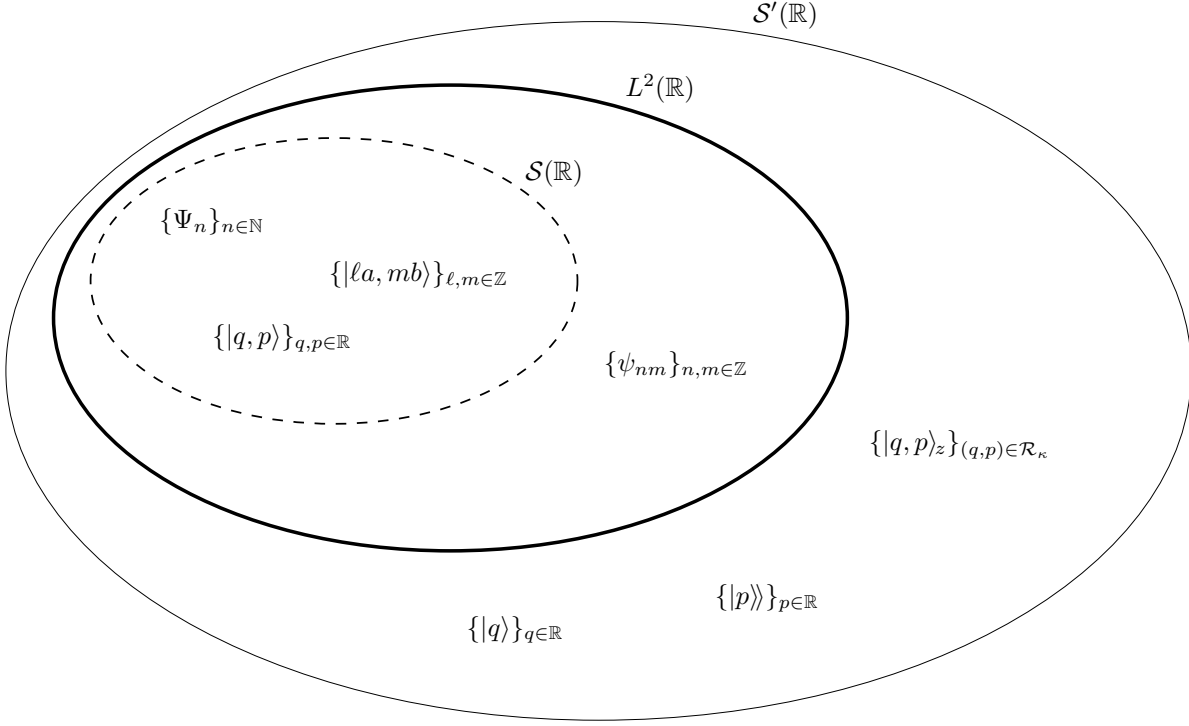
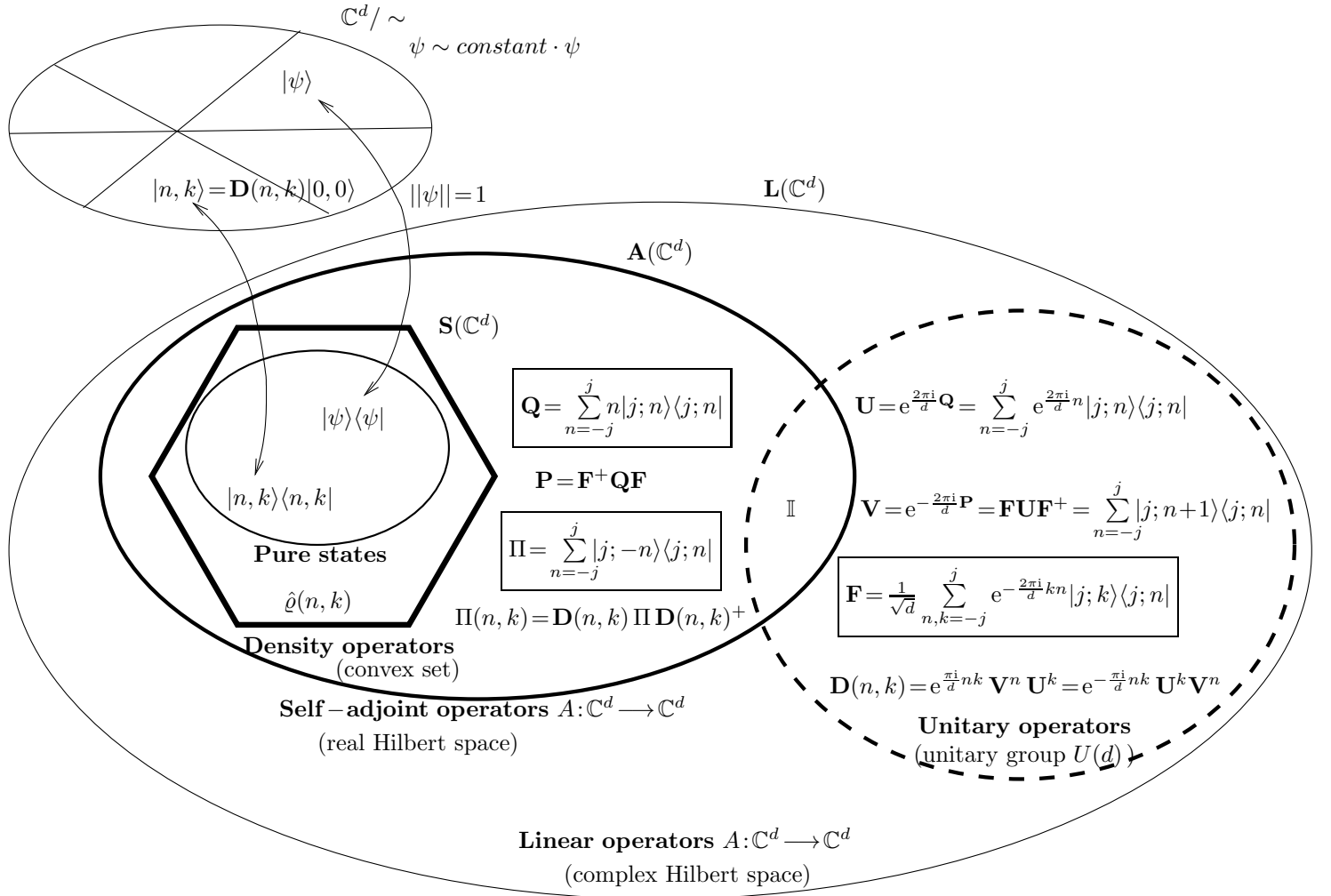


Figure 3: Bases and frames ($\mathcal{R}_\kappa = [-\frac{\kappa}{2}, \frac{\kappa}{2}) \times [-\frac{\pi}{\kappa}, \frac{\pi}{\kappa})$).

- Hermite-Gauss functions: $\Psi_n(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n! \sqrt{\pi}}} H_n(q) e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}},$
 - Wavelets: $\psi_{nm}(x) = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\kappa} m x} \psi(x - n\kappa), \quad \psi(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa}} & \text{for } x \in [-\frac{\kappa}{2}, \frac{\kappa}{2}), \\ 0 & \text{for } x \notin [-\frac{\kappa}{2}, \frac{\kappa}{2}), \end{cases}$
 - Eigenbasis of Q : $|q\rangle \equiv \delta_q$
 - Eigenbasis of P : $|p\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} p q},$
 - Coherent states: $|q, p\rangle = D(q, p)|0\rangle$
 - Zak basis states: $|q, p\rangle_z = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{2\pi}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{in\kappa p} |q + n\kappa\rangle$
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- $\langle \Psi_n | \Psi_m \rangle = \delta_{nm},$
 - $\langle \psi_{nm} | \psi_{kl} \rangle = \delta_{nk} \delta_{ml},$
 - $\langle a | b \rangle = \delta(a - b),$
 - $\langle\langle a | b \rangle\rangle = \delta(a - b),$
 - $\langle q, p | a, b \rangle = \dots \quad (\text{non-orthogonal})$
 - ${}_z\langle q, p | a, b \rangle_z = \delta(q - a) \delta(p - b).$
 - $\mathbb{I} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\Psi_n\rangle \langle \Psi_n|,$
 - $\mathbb{I} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_{nm}\rangle \langle \psi_{nm}|,$
 - $\mathbb{I} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dq |q\rangle \langle q|,$
 - $\mathbb{I} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp |p\rangle \langle p|,$
 - $\mathbb{I} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} |q, p\rangle \langle q, p| dq dp,$
 - $\mathbb{I} = \iint_{[-\frac{\kappa}{2}, \frac{\kappa}{2}) \times [-\frac{\pi}{\kappa}, \frac{\pi}{\kappa})} dq dp |q, p\rangle_z {}_z\langle q, p|.$



- $\mathbf{L}(\mathbb{C}^d)$ = space of all the linear operators $A: \mathbb{C}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$ with the scalar product

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(A^+ B)$$

is a **complex Hilbert space**, and $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \mathbf{D}(n, k) \right\}$ is an orthonormal basis.

- $\mathbf{A}(\mathbb{C}^d)$ = space of the self-adjoint operators $A: \mathbb{C}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$ with the scalar product

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(AB)$$

is a **real Hilbert space**, and $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \mathbf{\Pi}(n, k) \right\}$ is an orthonormal basis.

- $\mathbf{S}(\mathbb{C}^d)$ = set of all the **density operators** $\hat{\rho}: \mathbb{C}^d \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$ is a convex set.

- Given $|0, 0\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^d$, the vectors $|n, k\rangle = \mathbf{D}(n, k)|0, 0\rangle$ form a system of **coherent states**:

$$\mathbb{I} = \frac{1}{d} \sum |n, k\rangle\langle n, k|, \quad \mathbf{D}(m, \ell) |n, k\rangle\langle n, k| \mathbf{D}(m, \ell)^+ = |n+m, k+\ell\rangle\langle n+m, k+\ell|.$$

- Given a density operator $\hat{\rho}(0, 0)$, the operators

$$\hat{\rho}(n, k) = \mathbf{D}(n, k) \hat{\rho}(0, 0) \mathbf{D}(n, k)^+$$

form a system of **coherent density operators**:

$$\mathbb{I} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{n,k} \hat{\rho}(n, k), \quad \mathbf{D}(m, \ell) \hat{\rho}(n, k) \mathbf{D}(m, \ell)^+ = \hat{\rho}(n+m, k+\ell).$$