
EXPANDING QUANTUM FIELD THEORY USING AFFINE QUANTIZATION

- *What is affine quantization?*
 - *Eliminating nonrenormalization*
 - *An essential Fourier transform*
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CANONICAL QUANTIZATION – 1

Basic variables and their relations

$$-\infty < p, q < \infty , \quad p, q \rightarrow P (= P^\dagger), Q (= Q^\dagger) , \quad [Q, P] = i\hbar \mathbb{1}$$
$$|p, q\rangle = e^{-iqP/\hbar} e^{ipQ/\hbar} |\omega\rangle , \quad \langle \omega | (Q + iP/\omega) |\omega\rangle = 0$$

- 😊 Dirac : Having $\mathcal{H}(p, q) = H(p, q)$, requires Cartesian coordinates in order to obtain physically correct operators!

$$\begin{aligned} H(p, q) &= \langle p, q | \mathcal{H}(P, Q) | p, q \rangle \\ &= \langle \omega | \mathcal{H}(P + p, Q + q) | \omega \rangle = \mathcal{H}(p, q) + \mathcal{O}(\hbar; p, q) \\ d\sigma^2 &= 2\hbar^2 [\| d | p, q \rangle \|^2 - |\langle p, q | d | p, q \rangle|^2] , \quad \underline{\mathcal{F} - \mathcal{S}} \\ &= \underline{\omega^{-1} dp^2 + \omega dq^2} \quad 😊 \end{aligned}$$

CQ → flat surface = constant zero curvature := 0

CANONICAL QUANTIZATION – 2

Classical physics

$$-\infty < p, q < \infty$$

$$A = \int [p(t) \dot{q}(t) - H(p(t), q(t))] dt$$

Favored variables

$$p \rightarrow P (= P^\dagger) , \quad q \rightarrow Q (= Q^\dagger) ; \quad [Q, P] = i\hbar \mathbf{1}$$

Schrödinger's representation

$$Q \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} , \quad P \rightarrow -i\hbar(\partial/\partial x)$$

Schrödinger's equation

$$i\hbar \partial \psi(x, t)/\partial t = H(-i\hbar \partial/\partial x, x) \psi(x, t)$$



$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(x, t)|^2 dx < \infty$$

CANONICAL QUANTIZATION – 3

Classical physics

$$-\infty < p < \infty , \underline{0 < q < \infty} , \quad H(p, q) = [p^2 + q^2]/2$$
$$A = \int [p(t) \dot{q}(t) - H(p(t), q(t))] dt$$

Favored variables

$$p \rightarrow \underline{P} (\neq P^\dagger) , \quad q \rightarrow Q (= Q^\dagger > 0) , \quad [Q!P] = i\hbar \mathbb{1}$$

Hamiltonian operator(s)

$$H_0 = [PP^\dagger + Q^2]/2 \neq \underline{[P^\dagger P + Q^2]/2} = H_1$$

Hamiltonian spectra

$$E_0 = \hbar[(0, 2, 4, 6, \dots) + 1/2] , \quad E_1 = \hbar[(1, 3, 5, 7, \dots) + 1/2]$$

$$E = \hbar[(0, 2, \underline{3, 5}, 7, 8, 10, \dots) + 1/2]$$

CANONICAL QUANTIZATION FAILS



AFFINE QUANTIZATION – 1

Basic variables and relations

$$-\infty < p < \infty , \quad 0 < q < \infty , \quad p, q \rightarrow P(\neq P^\dagger), Q(=Q^\dagger > 0)$$

$$d \equiv pq \rightarrow (P^\dagger Q + QP)/2 \equiv D(=D^\dagger) , \quad [Q, D] = i\hbar Q$$

$$|p; q\rangle = e^{ipQ/\hbar} e^{-i\ln(q)D/\hbar} |b\rangle , \quad \langle b|[(Q - \mathbb{1}) + iD/b]|b\rangle = 0$$

Favored affine coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} H'(pq, q) &= \langle p; q | \mathcal{H}'(D, Q) | p; q \rangle \quad q > 0 \\ &= \langle b | \mathcal{H}'(D + pqQ, qQ) | b \rangle = \mathcal{H}'(pq, q) + \mathcal{O}'(\hbar; p, q) \end{aligned}$$

$$d\sigma^2 = 2\hbar^2 [\langle p; q | d|p; q \rangle]^2 - |\langle p; q | d|p; q \rangle|^2 = b^{-1}q^2 dp^2 + b q^{-2} dq^2$$

AQ → constant negative curvature : = $-2/b$

AFFINE QUANTIZATION – 2

Classical variables

$$-\infty < p < \infty , 0 < q < \infty , \quad H' = [(pq)^2/q^2 + q^2]/2$$
$$A = \int \{p(t)q(t)[\dot{q}(t)/q(t)] - H'(p(t)q(t), q(t))\} dt$$

Favored variables

$$p \rightarrow P (\neq P^\dagger) [\text{but } P^\dagger Q = PQ] , \quad q \rightarrow Q (\neq Q^\dagger > 0)$$
$$d \equiv pq \rightarrow (PQ + QP)/2 \equiv D (\neq D^\dagger) , \quad [Q, D] = i\hbar Q$$

$$\int_a^b [g^*(x)f(x)]' dx = \int_a^b [g^*(x)'f(x) + g^*(x)f(x)'] dx = g^*(b)f(b) - g^*(a)f(a)$$

$$g^*(b), g^*(a) \quad f(b) = 0, f(a) = 0 \quad i \int_a^b g^*(x)'f(x) dx = -i \int_a^b g^*(x)f(x)' dx$$

Schrödinger's representation

$$Q \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}^+ , \quad D \rightarrow -i\hbar[(\partial/\partial x)x + x(\partial/\partial x)]/2$$

Schrödinger's equation

$$i\hbar \partial \psi(x, t)/\partial t = H'(-i\hbar[(\partial/\partial x)x + x(\partial/\partial x)]/2, x) \psi(x, t)$$



$$\text{Master eq. (Me)} : Dx^{-1/2} = 0 , \quad \int_0^\infty |\psi(x, t)|^2 dx < \infty$$

AFFINE QUANTIZATION – 3

The half – harmonic oscillator

$$-\infty < d \equiv pq < \infty , \quad \underline{0 < q < \infty}$$

Classical Hamiltonian $H'(d, q) = (d^2/q^2 + q^2)/2$

Quantum Hamiltonian $\mathcal{H}'(D, Q) = (DQ^{-2}D + Q^2)/2$

Schrödinger's representation

$$Q \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}^+ , \quad D \rightarrow -i\hbar[(\partial/\partial x)x + x(\partial/\partial x)]/2 \quad (\dots)$$

Hamiltonian $\mathcal{H} = [-\hbar^2(\partial^2/\partial x^2) + (3/4)\hbar^2/x^2 + x^2]/2$

Eigenvalues $2\hbar[(0,1,2,\dots) + 1] , \quad (\hbar[(0,1,2,\dots) + 1/2])$



CLASSICAL* FIELD THEORY – 1

classical, and initial quantum issues

$$\pi(x), \varphi(x), x \in \underline{\mathbb{R}^s} \quad (CQ)$$

$$H(\pi, \varphi) = \int \{ [\pi(x)^2 + (\vec{\nabla} \varphi(x))^2 + m^2 \varphi(x)^2]/2 + g \varphi(x)^r \} d^s x$$

r = power of interaction term

$n = s + 1$, number of spacetime dimensions

$r < 2n/(n - 2)$ leads to renormalizable behavior



$r \geq 2n/(n - 2)$ leads to nonrenormalizable behavior

$MC : \varphi_n^r : \varphi_3^4 \uparrow, \varphi_4^4 \downarrow, \varphi_3^{12} \downarrow \quad (nf, f, f)$

domain($g = 0$) \geq **domain**($g > 0$)

CLASSICAL* FIELD THEORY – 2

affine, and initial quantum issues

$$\kappa(x) \equiv \pi(x) \varphi(x) , \quad \varphi(x) \neq 0 \quad (AQ)$$

$$H'(\kappa, \varphi) = \int \{ [\kappa(x)^2 \varphi(x)^{-2} + (\vec{\nabla} \varphi(x))^2 + m^2 \varphi(x)^2]/2 + g \varphi(x)^r \} d^s x$$

r = power of interaction term

n = s + 1, number of spacetime dimensions

$$MC : \varphi_n^r : \varphi_3^4 \uparrow , \varphi_4^4 \uparrow , \varphi_3^{12} \uparrow \quad (nf, nf, nf)$$

😊 A legitimate pair of classical variables 😊

CLASSICAL* FIELD THEORY – 3

affine and canonical quantum issues

$$\underline{(AQ)} \quad \kappa(x) \equiv \pi(x) \varphi(x) , \quad \varphi(x) \neq 0$$

$$H'(\kappa, \varphi) = \int \{ [\kappa(x)^2 \varphi(x)^{-2} + (\vec{\nabla} \varphi(x))^2 + m^2 \varphi(x)^2]/2 + g \varphi(x)^r \} d^s x$$
$$\varphi(x) \neq 0 \rightarrow 0 < \varphi(x)^{-2} < \infty \rightarrow 0 < |\varphi(x)|^r < \infty$$



RENORMALIZABLE

$$\{ \int \varphi(x)^r d^n x \}^{2/r} < or = or > \{ \int [(\vec{\nabla} \varphi(x))^2 + m^2 \varphi(x)^2]/2 d^n x \}$$

leads to

$$\underline{(CQ)} \quad \begin{aligned} r < 2n/(n - 2) & \text{ renormalizable} \\ r \geq 2n/(n - 2) & \text{ nonrenormalizable} \end{aligned}$$

NONRENORMALIZABLE

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY – 1

Schrödinger representation : $\hat{\varphi}(x) = \varphi(x) \neq 0$

$$\hat{k}(x) = -i\hbar[\varphi(x) (\partial/\partial\varphi(x)) + (\partial/\partial\varphi(x)) \varphi(x)]/2$$

such that $\hat{k}(x) \varphi(x)^{-1/2} = 0$, $\hat{k}(x) \Pi_y \varphi(y)^{-1/2} = 0$ *Me*

$$|\varphi(x)^{-1/2}\rangle \rightarrow \varphi(x)^{-1/2} , \quad \Pi_y |\varphi(y)^{-1/2}\rangle \rightarrow \Pi_y \varphi(y)^{-1/2}$$

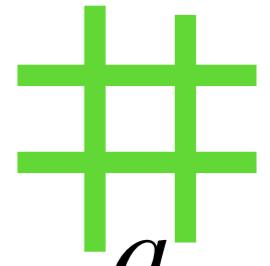
Selected wave functions : $y \in \mathbb{R}^s$

$$\Phi(\varphi) = \Pi_y \int v(\varphi(y)) \varphi(y)^{-1/2} dy$$
$$\Psi(\varphi) = \Pi_y \int w(\varphi(y)) \varphi(y)^{-1/2} dy$$

$$\int \Phi(\varphi)^* \Psi(\varphi) \mathcal{D}(\varphi) = \Pi_y \int v(\varphi(y))^* w(\varphi(y)) \varphi(y)^{-1} d\varphi(y)$$

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY – 2

A regularized representation $k \in a\mathbb{Z}^s$



$$\hat{\varphi}_k = \varphi_k , \quad \hat{\kappa}_k = -i\hbar [\varphi_k (d/d\varphi_k) + (d/d\varphi_k) \varphi_k]/2a^s$$

😊 $\hat{\kappa}_k \varphi_k^{-1/2} = 0 , \quad \hat{\kappa}_k \Pi_l \varphi_l^{-1/2} = 0 \quad Me \quad 😊$

Selected regularized wave functions; $(ba^s)^{1/2}$

$$\Phi(\varphi) = \prod_k v(\varphi_k) \varphi_k^{-(1-2ba^s)/2} , \quad \Psi(\varphi) = \prod_k w(\varphi_k) \varphi_k^{-(1-2ba^s)/2}$$

$$\prod_k \int \Phi(\varphi_k)^* \Psi(\varphi_k) d\varphi_k = \prod_k \int v(\varphi_k)^* w(\varphi_k) \varphi_k^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k$$

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY – 3

Schrödinger's equation

$$i\hbar(\partial/\partial t) \Psi(\varphi, t) = \mathcal{H}(\hat{k}, \varphi) \Psi(\varphi, t)$$

A regularized and normalized | solution |²

$$1 = \prod_k ba^s \int \{ |w(\varphi_k)|^2 |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k \}$$



Introduction of a Fourier transform



$$F(f) = \prod_k ba^s \int \{ e^{i2\pi f_k \varphi_k} |w(\varphi_k)|^2 |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k \}$$



$$F(0) = \prod_k ba^s \int \{ |w(\varphi_k)|^2 |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k \}$$



QUANTUM FIELD THEORY – 4

$$\Psi(\varphi) = \prod_k w(\varphi_k) (ba^s)^{1/2} \varphi_k^{-(1-2ba^s)/2}$$

$$F(0) = 1 = \prod_k \{ ba^s \int |w(\varphi_k)|^2 |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k \}$$

$$F(f) = \prod_k \{ 1 - ba^s \int (1 - e^{i 2\pi f_k \varphi_k}) |w(\varphi_k)|^2 |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k \}$$

- 😊 **The continuum limit:** $a \rightarrow 0$ 😊
- 😊 $F(f) = \exp \{ -b \int d^s x \int (1 - e^{i 2\pi f(x) \lambda}) |w(\lambda)|^2 |\lambda|^{-1} d\lambda \}$ 😊

This is a Poisson distribution

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY – 5

This is an example of the
CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM

$$F(f) = \exp\{ -b \int d^4x \int (1 - e^{i2\pi f(x)\lambda}) |w(\lambda)|^2 |\lambda|^{-1} d\lambda \}$$

😊 **NOTE :** If $g = 0$, $F(f)$ is NOT a Gaussian! 😊

A legitimate pair of quantum variables

$$\hat{k}(x) \text{ & } \hat{\phi}(x) = \varphi(x) \neq 0$$

😊 $\varphi(x) \neq 0 \rightarrow 0 < \varphi(x)^{-2} < \infty \rightarrow 0 < |\varphi(x)|^r < \infty$ 😊

$$0 \leq |w(\lambda)|^2 < \infty$$

😊 **NO NONRENORMALIZABILITY** 😊

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY – 6

What leads to the final AQ result?

Normalization: $1 = \prod_k \int \{ ba^s |w(\varphi_k)|^2 |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k \}$

Components:

$d|\varphi_k|^{2ba^s} = 2ba^s |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k$ (*positive derivative*)

$0 \leq |w(\varphi_k)|^2 < \infty$ (*well behaved*)

$F(f) = \prod_k ba^s \int \{ e^{i2\pi f_k \varphi_k} |w(\varphi_k)|^2 |\varphi_k|^{-(1-2ba^s)} d\varphi_k \}$ (*initial*)

😊 😊 $F(f) = \exp \{ -b \int dx \int (1 - e^{i2\pi f(x)\lambda}) |w(\lambda)|^2 |\lambda|^{-1} d\lambda \}$ (*final*)

Bonus: NO NONRENORMALIZABILITY

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY – 7

Suppose we choose $\kappa'(x) = \pi(x)(\varphi(x)^2 - 1)$

$$H'(\kappa', \varphi) = \int \{ [\kappa'(x)^2 (\varphi(x)^2 - 1)^{-2} + (\vec{\nabla} \varphi(x))^2 + m^2 \varphi(x)^2]/2 + g (\varphi(x)^2 - 1)^r \} d^s x$$

To quantize this we use $\hat{\varphi}(x) \rightarrow \varphi(x)$

$$\hat{\kappa}'(x) = [\hat{\pi}(x)(\varphi(x)^2 - 1) + (\varphi(x)^2 - 1)\hat{\pi}(x)]/2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(\hat{\kappa}', \varphi) = \int \{ & [\hat{\kappa}'(x)(\varphi(x)^2 - 1)^{-2}\hat{\kappa}'(x) + (\vec{\nabla} \varphi(x))^2 \\ & + m^2 \varphi(x)^2]/2 + g (\varphi(x)^2 - 1)^r \} d^s x \end{aligned}$$

This now requires that $(\varphi(x)^2 - 1) \neq 0$

$$0 < (\varphi(x)^2 - 1)^{-2} < \infty \rightarrow 0 < |(\varphi(x)^2 - 1)|^r < \infty$$

😊 NO NONRENORMALIZABILITY 😊



THANK YOU



P.S. Another Fourier transformation is desired
to see the results in proper coordinates.

$$G(\varphi) = \int e^{-i2\pi \int \varphi(x) f(x) dx} F(f) \mathcal{D}(f)$$

This task is open for others to contribute.

Suggested Publications

- 1 – *affine quantization* $[Q, D] = i\hbar Q$
arXiv : 2006.09156
- 2 – *half-harmonic oscillators* $(p^2 + q^2), \ q > 0$
arXiv : 2005.08696
- 3 – *quantizing a special field* φ_4^4
arXiv : 2012.09991.
- 4 – **quantizing more fields** $[\vec{\varphi}(x)^2 - 1]^p$
arXiv : **2110.05952**



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SOME FALSE HAMILTONIANS

The classical Hamiltoian

$$H(p, q) = (p^2 + q^2)/2 \quad , \quad q > 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad P^\dagger \neq P$$

False self – adjoint quantum Hamiltonians

$$\mathcal{H}_1(P^\dagger, P, Q) = [(P^\dagger + P)^2/4 + Q^2]/2$$

$$\mathcal{H}_2(P^\dagger, P, Q) = [(2P^\dagger - P)(2P - P^\dagger) + Q^2]/2$$

$$\mathcal{H}'_n(P^\dagger, P, Q) = [(P^{\dagger 4+n}/P^{2+n} + P^{4+n}/P^{\dagger 2+n})/2 + Q^2]/2$$

with $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

SPIN QUANTIZATION

Spin variable properties

$$[S_2, S_3] = i\hbar S_1 , \quad S_1^2 + S_2^2 + S_3^2 = \hbar^2 s(s+1)I_{2s+1} , \quad s \in (1/2)\{1,2,3,\dots\}$$

$$S_3 |s, m\rangle = m\hbar |s, m\rangle , \quad m \in \{-s, \dots, s-1, s\} , \quad (S_1 + iS_2) |s, s\rangle = 0$$

Spin coherent states

$$|\theta, \varphi\rangle \equiv e^{-i\varphi S_3/\hbar} e^{-i\theta S_2/\hbar} |s, s\rangle$$

$$|p, q\rangle \equiv e^{-i(q/(s\hbar)^{1/2})S_3/\hbar} e^{-i\cos^{-1}(p/(s\hbar)^{1/2})S_2/\hbar} |s, s\rangle$$
$$-\pi(s\hbar)^{1/2} < q \leq \pi(s\hbar)^{1/2} , \quad -(s\hbar)^{1/2} \leq p \leq (s\hbar)^{1/2}$$

$$d\sigma^2 = 2\hbar [\| d|\theta, \varphi\rangle \|^2 - |\langle \theta, \varphi | d|\theta, \varphi\rangle|^2]$$

$$= (s\hbar)[d\theta^2 + \sin^2(\theta)^2 d\varphi^2]$$

$$= (1 - p^2/s\hbar)^{-1} dp^2 + (1 - p^2/s\hbar) dq^2$$



SQ \rightarrow constant positive curvature := $(s\hbar)^{-1}$

ADDED : – CANONICAL & AFFINE PATH INTEGRALS

BOOK: 2010 (Birkhäuser)
"A Modern Approach to Functional Integration"

Chapter 8:

Continuous-Time Regularized Path Integrals

**Sec 8.1: Wiener Measure Regularization of
Phase Space Path Integrals**

**Sec 8.3: Continuous-Time Regularization of
Affine Variable Path Integrals**



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FAVORED COORDINATES – 2

Dirac: **Cartesian coordinates should lead to $\mathcal{H}(p, q) = H(p, q)$**

$$\begin{aligned} |p, q\rangle &= e^{-iqP/\hbar} e^{ipQ/\hbar} |\omega\rangle , \quad (\omega Q + iP) |\omega\rangle = 0 \\ H(p, q) &= \langle p, q | \mathcal{H}(P, Q) |p, q\rangle , \quad 0 \\ &= \langle \omega | \mathcal{H}(P + p, Q + q) | \omega \rangle = \mathcal{H}(p, q) + \mathcal{O}(\hbar; p, q) \\ 2\hbar[\|d|p, q\rangle\|^2 - |\langle p, q | d|p, q\rangle|^2] &= \underline{\omega^{-1}dp^2 + \omega dq^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |p; q\rangle &= e^{ipQ/\hbar} e^{-i\ln(q)D/\hbar} |b\rangle , \quad [(Q - 1\mathbb{I}) + iD/b] |b\rangle = 0 \\ H'(pq, q) &= \langle p; q | \mathcal{H}'(D, Q) |p; q\rangle , \quad q > 0 \quad -1/2b \\ &= \langle b | \mathcal{H}'(D + pqQ, qQ) | b \rangle = \mathcal{H}'(pq, q) + \mathcal{O}'(\hbar; p, q) \\ 2\hbar[\|d|p; q\rangle\|^2 - |\langle p; q | d|p; q\rangle|^2] &= \underline{b^{-1}q^2dp^2 + bq^{-2}dq^2} \end{aligned}$$

😊 CQ → flat , 😊 AQ → constant negative curvature