

Simplest Quantum Mechanics

Novel Introduction to Orthogonal Polynomials of a Discrete Variable in the Askey Scheme

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Background

Similarity:

- Quantum Mechanics (QM),
- Eigenvalue problem of hermitian matrices – **Much simpler**

QM: Self-adjoint operator, $\mathcal{H}\psi(x) = \mathcal{E}\psi(x)$, $\mathcal{H}^\dagger = \mathcal{H}$,

Exactly solvable 1-d QM, $\mathcal{H} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + V(x)$

\implies **Classical Orthogonal Polynomials** as eigenfunctions,
Hermite, Laguerre and Jacobi

Q1: *Is there a special class of hermitian matrices corresponding to the 1-d QM?* **Yes, Simplest QM**

Q2: *Are there many exactly solvable ones whose eigenvectors define orthogonal polynomials?* **Yes, Many**

Criticism

Analysis of Linear Operators in Hilbert Space (= finite or infinite matrices) is the main theme of Functional Analysis. However, existing literature (Stone, Kolmogorov, Dunford-Schwartz, Simon etc) failed to tackle this very interesting problem (*i.e.* analysis of Jacobi operators and simplest Quantum Mechanics). The strategy of the discipline (Functional Analysis) should be criticised. See Comments later.

Exactly Solvable 1-d QM

- $V(x) = x^2 - 1, -\infty < x < \infty \implies \mathcal{E}(n) = 2n,$
 $\psi_n(x) = e^{-x^2/2} H_n(x), n = 0, 1, \dots,$ **Hermite** polynomial
- $V(x) = x^2 + g(g-1)/x^2 - (1+2g), g > 1, 0 < x < \infty \implies$
 $\mathcal{E}(n) = 4n, \psi_n(x) = e^{-x^2/2} x^g L_n^{(g-1/2)}(x^2), n = 0, 1, \dots,$
Laguerre polynomial
- $V(x) = g(g-1)/\sin^2 x + h(h-1)/\cos^2 x - (g+h)^2,$
 $g, h > 1, 0 < x < \pi/2 \implies \mathcal{E}(n) = 4n(n+g+h),$
 $\psi_n(x) = (\sin x)^g (\cos x)^h P_n^{(g-1/2, h-1/2)}(\cos 2x), n = 0, 1, \dots,$
Jacobi polynomial

Factorised Hamiltonian (hermite matrix)

denote the indices of the matrices by $x, y = 0, 1, \dots, x_{\max}$,

$x_{\max} = N$ (finite) or $x_{\max} = \infty$.

Matrix eigenvalue problem

$$\sum_{y=0}^{x_{\max}} \mathcal{H}_{x,y} v_y = \lambda v_x, \quad \text{or} \quad \mathcal{H}v(x) = \lambda v(x), \quad \sum_{y=0}^{x_{\max}} \mathcal{H}_{x,y} v(y) = \lambda v(x),$$

Assume: discrete eigenvalues only, bounded from below spectrum

$$\mathcal{H}\phi_n(x) = \mathcal{E}(n)\phi_n(x), \quad 0 = \mathcal{E}(0) \leq \mathcal{E}(1) \leq \mathcal{E}(2) \leq \dots$$

\mathcal{H} : **Positive semi-definite** $\Rightarrow \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{A}^\dagger \mathcal{A}, \quad 0 = \det(\mathcal{A}) = \det(\mathcal{H})$

Factorised Hamiltonian in 1-d QM

groundstate eigenfunction $\phi_0(x)$, having no zero

$$-\frac{d^2\phi_0(x)}{dx^2} + V(x)\phi_0(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow V(x) = \frac{\partial_x^2 \phi_0(x)}{\phi_0(x)} = \partial_x \left(\frac{\partial_x \phi_0(x)}{\phi_0(x)} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial_x \phi_0(x)}{\phi_0(x)} \right)^2$$

Factorised Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{A}^\dagger \mathcal{A} = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + V(x), \quad \mathcal{A}\phi_0(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}\phi_0(x) = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{A} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{d}{dx} - \frac{\partial_x \phi_0(x)}{\phi_0(x)}, \quad \mathcal{A}^\dagger = -\frac{d}{dx} - \frac{\partial_x \phi_0(x)}{\phi_0(x)}$$

Matrix Analogue of 1-d QM Factorised Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{A} = \sqrt{B(x)} - e^\partial \sqrt{D(x)}, \quad \mathcal{A}^\dagger = \sqrt{B(x)} - \sqrt{D(x)} e^{-\partial},$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{x,y} = \sqrt{B(x)} \delta_{x,y} - \sqrt{D(x+1)} \delta_{x+1,y},$$

$$(\mathcal{A}^\dagger)_{x,y} = \sqrt{B(x)} \delta_{x,y} - \sqrt{D(x)} \delta_{x-1,y}, \quad B(x), D(x) > 0,$$

\mathcal{H} : **Tri-Diagonal Real Symmetric** Simple Spectrum

$$\mathcal{H} = B(x) + D(x) - \sqrt{B(x)} e^\partial \sqrt{D(x)} - \sqrt{D(x)} e^{-\partial} \sqrt{B(x)},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{x,y} = & (B(x) + D(x)) \delta_{x,y} - \sqrt{B(x)D(x+1)} \delta_{x+1,y} \\ & - \sqrt{B(x-1)D(x)} \delta_{x-1,y} \end{aligned}$$

Non appearance of $\psi(-1)$ or $\psi(N+1) \Rightarrow D(0) = 0, B(N) = 0$

Explicit Form of the Tri-Diagonal Hamiltonian (Jacobi Matrix)

$$\mathcal{H} = \begin{pmatrix} B(0) & -\sqrt{B(0)D(1)} & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -\sqrt{B(0)D(1)} & B(1) + D(1) & -\sqrt{B(1)D(2)} & 0 & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & -\sqrt{B(1)D(2)} & B(2) + D(2) & -\sqrt{B(2)D(3)} & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & -\sqrt{B(N-2)D(N-1)} & B(N-1) + D(N-1) & -\sqrt{B(N-1)D(N)} \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & -\sqrt{B(N-1)D(N)} & D(N) \end{pmatrix}$$

Explicit Form of the Factorisation Matrix \mathcal{A}

$$\mathcal{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{B(0)} & -\sqrt{D(1)} & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{B(1)} & -\sqrt{D(2)} & 0 & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{B(2)} & -\sqrt{D(3)} & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & \sqrt{B(N-1)} & -\sqrt{D(N)} \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Explicit Form of the Factorisation Matrix \mathcal{A}^\dagger

$$\mathcal{A}^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{B(0)} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ -\sqrt{D(1)} & \sqrt{B(1)} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & -\sqrt{D(2)} & \sqrt{B(2)} & 0 & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & -\sqrt{D(N-1)} & \sqrt{B(N-1)} & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & -\sqrt{D(N)} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvectors

groundstate eigenvector $\phi_0(x)$, $\mathcal{H}\phi_0(x) = 0$,

$$\mathcal{A}\phi_0(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{B(x)}\phi_0(x) - \sqrt{D(x+1)}\phi_0(x+1) = 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_0(x) = \prod_{y=0}^{x-1} \sqrt{\frac{B(y)}{D(y+1)}}, \quad x = 1, 2, \dots, \quad \phi_0(0) = 1$$

Factorised eigenvectors $\phi_n(x) = \phi_0(x)\check{P}_n(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(B(x) + D(x))\phi_0(x)\check{P}_n(x) - \sqrt{B(x)D(x+1)}\phi_0(x+1)\check{P}_n(x+1) \\
 &\quad - \sqrt{B(x-1)D(x)}\phi_0(x-1)\check{P}_n(x-1) = \mathcal{E}(n)\phi_0(x)\check{P}_n(x).
 \end{aligned}$$



Difference Eq. for Eigenvectors, Triangularity=Solvability

$$B(x) (\check{P}_n(x) - \check{P}_n(x+1)) + D(x) (\check{P}_n(x) - \check{P}_n(x-1)) = \mathcal{E}(n)\check{P}_n(x),$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{H}}\check{P}_n(x) = \mathcal{E}(n)\check{P}_n(x), \quad \tilde{\mathcal{H}}1 = 0,$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \phi_0(x)^{-1} \cdot \mathcal{H} \cdot \phi_0(x) = B(x)(1 - e^\partial) + D(x)(1 - e^{-\partial})$$

Triangularity w.r.t. special basis, $1, \eta(x), \eta(x)^2, \dots, \eta(x)^n, \dots$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}\eta(x)^n = \mathcal{E}(n)\eta(x)^n + \text{lower degrees in } \eta(x)$$

• Gram-Schmidt $\Rightarrow \{P_n(\eta(x))\}$

$\eta(x)$: **sinusoidal coordinate**, $\eta(x) \rightarrow a\eta(x) + b$, B.C. $\eta(0) = 0$

(i) $\eta(x) = x$, (ii) $\eta(x) = x(x + d)$,

(iii) $\eta(x) = 1 - q^x$, (iv) $\eta(x) = q^{-x} - 1$, $0 < q < 1$,

(v) $\eta(x) = (q^{-x} - 1)(1 - dq^x)$,

Explicit Example 1

Krawtchouk Finite matrix: $B(x) = p(N - x)$, $D(x) = (1 - p)x$,
 $0 < p < 1$, $\eta(x) = x$

Triangular:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathcal{H}}x^n &= p(N - x)(x^n - (x + 1)^n) + (1 - p)x(x^n - (x - 1)^n) \\ &= nx^n + \text{lower degrees}, \quad \mathcal{E}(n) = n.\end{aligned}$$

eigenpolynomials

$$\begin{aligned}P_n(x; p, N) &= {}_2F_1\left(\begin{matrix} -n, -x \\ -N \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{1}{p}\right), \quad P_0 = 1, \quad P_1 = \frac{pN - x}{pN}, \\ P_2 &= \frac{p^2 N(N - 1) + (2p(1 - N) - 1)x + x^2}{p^2 N(N - 1)}, \dots\end{aligned}$$

Explicit Example 1-2

Krawtchouk orthogonality weightfunction

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_0^2(x) &= \prod_{y=0}^{x-1} \frac{p}{1-p} \frac{N-y}{y+1} = \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^x \frac{N!}{x!(N-x)!} \\ &= \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^x \frac{N!}{\Gamma(x+1)\Gamma(N+1-x)} : \text{Binomial distribution}\end{aligned}$$

Trace formula

$$\frac{N}{2}(N+1) = \sum_{n=0}^N \mathcal{E}(n) = \text{Tr}(\mathcal{H}) = \sum_{x=0}^N (B(x) + D(x))$$

Explicit Example 2

Meixner ∞ matrix $B(x) = \frac{c}{1-c}(x + \beta)$, $D(x) = \frac{x}{1-c}$, $\beta > 0$,
 $0 < c < 1$, $\eta(x) = x$

$$(1-c)\tilde{\mathcal{H}}x^n = c(x + \beta)(x^n - (x+1)^n) + x(x^n - (x-1)^n) \\ = (1-c)nx^n + \text{lower degrees}, \quad \mathcal{E}(n) = n$$

$$P_n(x; \beta, c) = {}_2F_1\left(\begin{matrix} -n, -x \\ \beta \end{matrix} \middle| 1 - \frac{1}{c}\right), \quad P_0 = 1, \quad P_1 = \frac{\beta c - (1-c)x}{\beta c},$$

$$P_2 = \frac{\beta(\beta+1)c^2 + (-1+c)(1+c+2\beta c)x + (-1+c)^2x^2}{\beta(\beta+1)c^2}, \dots$$

$$\phi_0^2(x) = \prod_{y=0}^{x-1} \frac{c(y+\beta)}{y+1} = \frac{(\beta)_x c^x}{x!}, \quad \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \phi_0^2(x) = \frac{1}{(1-c)^\beta}$$

Explicit Example 3

Racah Finite, one of the parameters a, b, c is identified with $-N$

$$B(x) = -\frac{(x+a)(x+b)(x+c)(x+d)}{(2x+d)(2x+1+d)},$$

$$D(x) = -\frac{(x+d-a)(x+d-b)(x+d-c)x}{(2x-1+d)(2x+d)},$$

$$\eta(x) = x(x+d), \quad \mathcal{E}(n) = n(n+\tilde{d}), \quad \tilde{d} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a+b+c-d-1,$$

$$\phi_0^2(x) = \frac{(a, b, c, d)_x}{(1+d-a, 1+d-b, 1+d-c, 1)_x} \frac{2x+d}{d}.$$

Explicit Example 4

q -Racah Finite, one of the parameters a, b, c is identified with q^{-N}

$$B(x) = -\frac{(1 - aq^x)(1 - bq^x)(1 - cq^x)(1 - dq^x)}{(1 - dq^{2x})(1 - dq^{2x+1})}, \quad \tilde{d} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} abc/(dq)$$

$$D(x) = -\tilde{d} \frac{(1 - a^{-1}dq^x)(1 - b^{-1}dq^x)(1 - c^{-1}dq^x)(1 - q^x)}{(1 - dq^{2x-1})(1 - dq^{2x})},$$

$$\eta(x) = (q^{-x} - 1)(1 - dq^x), \quad \mathcal{E}(n) = (q^{-n} - 1)(1 - \tilde{d}q^n),$$

$$\phi_0^2(x) = \frac{(a, b, c, d; q)_x}{(a^{-1}dq, b^{-1}dq, c^{-1}dq, q; q)_x} \tilde{d}^x \frac{1 - dq^{2x}}{1 - d}$$

Orthogonality Relation

$$\sum_x \phi_0^2(x) P_n(\eta(x)) P_m(\eta(x)) = \frac{1}{d_n^2} \delta_{n,m}, \quad d_n > 0$$

orthonormality

$$\sum_x d_n \phi_0(x) P_n(\eta(x)) \cdot d_m \phi_0(x) P_m(\eta(x)) = \delta_{n,m}$$

completeness relation

$$\sum_n d_n \phi_0(x) P_n(\eta(x)) \cdot d_n \phi_0(y) P_n(\eta(y)) = \delta_{x,y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_n d_n^2 P_n(\eta(x)) P_n(\eta(y)) = \frac{1}{\phi_0^2(x)} \delta_{x,y}$$

3 term Recurrence for $P_n =$ Difference Eq. in n

3 term Recurrence for P_n

$$\eta P_n(\eta) = A_n P_{n+1}(\eta) + B_n P_n(\eta) + C_n P_{n-1}(\eta), \quad n = 0, 1, \dots,$$

$$P_n(0) = 1 \Rightarrow B_n = -(A_n + C_n)$$

Difference eq. for P_n in n variable:

$$\begin{aligned} -A_n(P_n(\eta) - P_{n+1}(\eta)) - C_n(P_n(\eta) - P_{n-1}(\eta)) &= \eta P_n(\eta), \\ \left[-A_n(1 - e^{\partial_n}) - C_n(1 - e^{-\partial_n}) \right] P_n(\eta) &= \eta P_n(\eta) \end{aligned}$$

Dual Polynomial

Rewrite the eigenvalue problem $\widehat{\mathcal{H}}\psi(x) = \mathcal{E}\psi(x)$ into an explicit matrix form, with $\psi(x) \rightarrow {}^t(Q_0, Q_1, \dots, Q_x, \dots)$

$$\sum_y \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{x,y} Q_y = \mathcal{E} Q_x, \quad x, y = 0, 1, \dots, (N), \dots$$

↓ gives 3 term recurrence for $Q_x(\mathcal{E})$

$$\mathcal{E} Q_x(\mathcal{E}) = B(x)(Q_x(\mathcal{E}) - Q_{x+1}(\mathcal{E})) + D(x)(Q_x(\mathcal{E}) - Q_{x-1}(\mathcal{E})),$$

Starting from $Q_0 \equiv 1$, $Q_x(\mathcal{E})$ determined as a degree x polynomial in \mathcal{E} , with $Q_x(0) = 1$, $x = 0, 1, \dots, (N), \dots$. $x = N$ gives the **characteristic eq.** $\mathcal{E} Q_N(\mathcal{E}) = D(N)(Q_N(\mathcal{E}) - Q_{N-1}(\mathcal{E}))$. Replacing $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(n)$ gives explicit form of **another eigenpoly** (Leonard, Terwilliger, ...)

$$\sum_y \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{x,y} Q_y(\mathcal{E}(n)) = \mathcal{E}(n) Q_x(\mathcal{E}(n)), \quad x = 0, 1, \dots, (N), \dots$$

Dual Polynomial 2

By B.C. $P_n(0) = 1 = Q_x(0)$, the two polynomials, $\{P_n(\eta)\}$ and its **dual polynomial** $\{Q_x(\mathcal{E})\}$, coincide at the integer lattice points:

$$P_n(\eta(x)) = Q_x(\mathcal{E}(n)), \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, (N), \dots, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots, (N), \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} : \mathcal{E}(n) &= n, & \text{(ii)} : \mathcal{E}(n) &= n(n + \alpha), \\ \text{(iii)} : \mathcal{E}(n) &= 1 - q^n, & \text{(iv)} : \mathcal{E}(n) &= q^{-n} - 1, \\ \text{(v)} : \mathcal{E}(n) &= (q^{-n} - 1)(1 - \alpha q^n), \end{aligned}$$

Dual correspondence:
$$\sum_n d_n^2 Q_x(\mathcal{E}(n)) Q_y(\mathcal{E}(n)) = \delta_{x,y} / \phi_0^2(x),$$

$$x \leftrightarrow n, \quad \eta(x) \leftrightarrow \mathcal{E}(n), \quad \eta(0) = 0 \leftrightarrow \mathcal{E}(0) = 0,$$

$$B(x) \leftrightarrow -A_n, \quad D(x) \leftrightarrow -C_n, \quad \frac{\phi_0(x)}{\phi_0(0)} \leftrightarrow \frac{d_n}{d_0}$$

Intertwining Relations

$$\mathcal{H} \equiv \mathcal{H}^{[0]} = \mathcal{A}^\dagger \mathcal{A}, \quad \mathcal{H}^{[0]} \phi_n^{[0]}(x) = \mathcal{E}(n) \phi_n^{[0]}(x), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

new Hamiltonian (Jacobi matrix) $\mathcal{H}^{[1]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{A} \mathcal{A}^\dagger$,

$$\mathcal{A} \mathcal{H}^{[0]} = \mathcal{A} \mathcal{A}^\dagger \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{H}^{[1]} \mathcal{A}, \quad \mathcal{A}^\dagger \mathcal{H}^{[1]} = \mathcal{A}^\dagger \mathcal{A} \mathcal{A}^\dagger = \mathcal{H}^{[0]} \mathcal{A}^\dagger$$

iso-spectrality except for $\phi_0^{[0]}(x)$

$$\mathcal{H}^{[0]} \phi_n^{[0]}(x) = \mathcal{E}(n) \phi_n^{[0]}(x) \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots), \quad \mathcal{A} \phi_0^{[0]}(x) = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{H}^{[1]} \phi_n^{[1]}(x) = \mathcal{E}(n) \phi_n^{[1]}(x) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$$

$$\phi_n^{[1]}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{A} \phi_n^{[0]}(x), \quad \phi_n^{[0]}(x) = \frac{\mathcal{A}^\dagger}{\mathcal{E}(n)} \phi_n^{[1]}(x) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$$

$$(\phi_n^{[1]}, \phi_m^{[1]}) = \mathcal{E}(n) (\phi_n^{[0]}, \phi_m^{[0]}) \quad (n, m = 1, 2, \dots)$$

Intertwining Relations 2

$\mathcal{H}^{[1]} - \mathcal{E}(1)$: positive semi-definite, $\mathcal{A}^{[1]}\phi_1^{[1]}(x) = 0$

$$\mathcal{H}^{[1]} = \mathcal{A}^{[1]\dagger}\mathcal{A}^{[1]} + \mathcal{E}(1), \quad B^{[1]}(x), D^{[1]}(x) > 0, \quad D^{[1]}(0) = 0 = B^{[1]}(N-1),$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{[1]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sqrt{B^{[1]}(x)} - e^\partial \sqrt{D^{[1]}(x)}, \quad \mathcal{A}^{[1]\dagger} = \sqrt{B^{[1]}(x)} - \sqrt{D^{[1]}(x)} e^{-\partial},$$

new iso-spectral Hamiltonian $\mathcal{H}^{[2]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{A}^{[1]}\mathcal{A}^{[1]\dagger} + \mathcal{E}(1)$,

$$\mathcal{H}^{[2]}\phi_n^{[2]}(x) = \mathcal{E}(n)\phi_n^{[2]}(x) \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots),$$

$$\phi_n^{[2]}(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{A}^{[1]}\phi_n^{[1]}(x), \quad \phi_n^{[1]}(x) = \frac{\mathcal{A}^{[1]\dagger}}{\mathcal{E}(n) - \mathcal{E}(1)}\phi_n^{[2]}(x) \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots),$$

$$(\phi_n^{[2]}, \phi_m^{[2]}) = (\mathcal{E}(n) - \mathcal{E}(1))(\phi_n^{[1]}, \phi_m^{[1]}) \quad (n, m = 2, 3, \dots),$$

$$\mathcal{H}^{[2]} = \mathcal{A}^{[2]\dagger}\mathcal{A}^{[2]} + \mathcal{E}(2), \quad \mathcal{A}^{[2]}\phi_2^{[2]}(x) = 0$$

Crum's Sequence

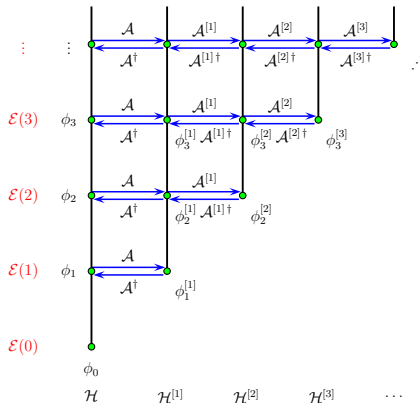


Figure: Fundamental structure of the solution space of 1-d QM.

Crum's Theorem

Theorem

(Crum [5]) *For a given Hamiltonian system $\{\mathcal{H}^{[0]}, \mathcal{E}(n), \phi_n^{[0]}(x)\}$ there exist as many associated Hamiltonian systems $\{\mathcal{H}^{[1]}, \mathcal{E}(n), \phi_n^{[1]}(x)\}$, $\{\mathcal{H}^{[2]}, \mathcal{E}(n), \phi_n^{[2]}(x)\}$, \dots , as the number of discrete eigenvalues. They share the eigenvalues $\{\mathcal{E}(n)\}$ of the original Hamiltonian and the eigenvectors of $\mathcal{H}^{[j]}$ and $\mathcal{H}^{[j+1]}$ are related by $\mathcal{A}^{[j]}$ and $\mathcal{A}^{[j]\dagger}$.*

Shape Invariance

set of parameters $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$, $q^\lambda = (a, b, \dots)$, $\mathcal{H}(\lambda)$, $\mathcal{A}(\lambda)$, $\mathcal{E}(n; \lambda)$, $\eta(x; \lambda)$, $\phi_n(x; \lambda)$, $P_n(\eta(x; \lambda); \lambda)$ etc

Shape invariance: $\mathcal{A}^{[1]}(\lambda) \propto \mathcal{A}^{[0]}(\lambda + \delta)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}(\lambda)\mathcal{A}(\lambda)^\dagger = \kappa\mathcal{A}(\lambda + \delta)^\dagger\mathcal{A}(\lambda + \delta) + \mathcal{E}(1; \lambda), \quad \kappa > 0,$$

everything is expressed by the first excited energy $\mathcal{E}(1; \lambda)$, $\mathcal{A}(\lambda)$, $\mathcal{A}(\lambda)^\dagger$ and the groundstate vector $\phi_0(x; \lambda)$ at variously shifted values of λ , **universal Eigenvalue formula**

$$\mathcal{E}(n; \lambda) = \sum_{s=0}^{n-1} \kappa^s \mathcal{E}(1; \lambda^{[s]}), \quad \lambda^{[s]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda + s\delta,$$

$$\phi_n(x; \lambda) \propto \mathcal{A}(\lambda^{[0]})^\dagger \mathcal{A}(\lambda^{[1]})^\dagger \mathcal{A}(\lambda^{[2]})^\dagger \dots \mathcal{A}(\lambda^{[n-1]})^\dagger \phi_0(x; \lambda^{[n]})$$

Universal Rodrigues Formula

auxiliary function $\varphi(x)$: $\varphi(x; \lambda) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\eta(x+1; \lambda) - \eta(x; \lambda)}{\eta(1; \lambda)}$,
 $\varphi(0; \lambda) = 1$,

$$\mathcal{A}(\lambda)^\dagger \propto \phi_0(x; \lambda)^{-1} \cdot \mathcal{D}(\lambda) \cdot \phi_0(x; \lambda + \delta), \quad \mathcal{D}(\lambda) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (1 - e^{-\delta}) \varphi(x; \lambda)^{-1}$$

by universal normalisation $P_n(0; \lambda) = 1 \Rightarrow$ **Universal Rodrigues Formula**

$$P_n(\eta(x; \lambda); \lambda) = \phi_0(x; \lambda)^{-2} \cdot \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \mathcal{D}(\lambda + j\delta) \cdot \phi_0^2(x; \lambda + n\delta)$$

Heisenberg Equation

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \hat{\mathbf{A}}(t) = i [\mathcal{H}, \hat{\mathbf{A}}(t)]$$

formal solution, $(\text{ad } \mathcal{H})X \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [\mathcal{H}, X]$

$$\hat{\mathbf{A}}(t) = e^{it\mathcal{H}} \hat{\mathbf{A}}(0) e^{-it\mathcal{H}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(it)^n}{n!} (\text{ad } \mathcal{H})^n \hat{\mathbf{A}}(0),$$

closed form expression mostly intractable, but for the **sinusoidal coordinate** $\eta(x)$ it is always possible for exactly solvable QM

$$e^{it\mathcal{H}} \eta(x) e^{-it\mathcal{H}}$$

Closure Relation

$$(\text{ad } \mathcal{H})^2 \eta(x) = \eta(x) R_0(\mathcal{H}) + (\text{ad } \mathcal{H})\eta(x) R_1(\mathcal{H}) + R_{-1}(\mathcal{H})$$

$$(\text{ad } \tilde{\mathcal{H}})^2 \eta(x) = \eta(x) R_0(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}) + (\text{ad } \tilde{\mathcal{H}})\eta(x) R_1(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}) + R_{-1}(\tilde{\mathcal{H}})$$

l.h.s. $e^{2\partial}$, e^∂ , 1 , $e^{-\partial}$, $e^{-2\partial}$ and \mathcal{H} contains $e^{\pm\partial}$

$$R_1(z) = r_1^{(1)}z + r_1^{(0)}, \quad R_0(z) = r_0^{(2)}z^2 + r_0^{(1)}z + r_0^{(0)},$$

$$R_{-1}(z) = r_{-1}^{(2)}z^2 + r_{-1}^{(1)}z + r_{-1}^{(0)}$$

$$(\text{ad } \mathcal{H})^3 \eta(x) = [\mathcal{H}, \eta(x)] R_0(\mathcal{H}) + [\mathcal{H}, [\mathcal{H}, \eta(x)]] R_1(\mathcal{H})$$

$$= \eta(x) R_0(\mathcal{H}) R_1(\mathcal{H}) + (\text{ad } \mathcal{H})\eta(x) (R_1(\mathcal{H})^2 + R_0(\mathcal{H})) + R_{-1}(\mathcal{H}) R_1(\mathcal{H})$$

$\Rightarrow (\text{ad } \mathcal{H})^n \eta(x)$ is a combination of $\eta(x)$ and $[\mathcal{H}, \eta(x)]$ with \mathcal{H} depending coefficients

Heisenberg Operator Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{it\mathcal{H}}\eta(x)e^{-it\mathcal{H}} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(it)^n}{n!} (\text{ad } \mathcal{H})^n \eta(x) \\
 &= [\mathcal{H}, \eta(x)] \frac{e^{i\alpha_+(\mathcal{H})t} - e^{i\alpha_-(\mathcal{H})t}}{\alpha_+(\mathcal{H}) - \alpha_-(\mathcal{H})} - R_{-1}(\mathcal{H})R_0(\mathcal{H})^{-1} \\
 &\quad + (\eta(x) + R_{-1}(\mathcal{H})R_0(\mathcal{H})^{-1}) \frac{-\alpha_-(\mathcal{H})e^{i\alpha_+(\mathcal{H})t} + \alpha_+(\mathcal{H})e^{i\alpha_-(\mathcal{H})t}}{\alpha_+(\mathcal{H}) - \alpha_-(\mathcal{H})}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha_{\pm}(\mathcal{H}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} (R_1(\mathcal{H}) \pm \sqrt{R_1(\mathcal{H})^2 + 4R_0(\mathcal{H})}),$$

overdetermined equations for the eigenvalues:

$$\mathcal{E}(n+1; \lambda) - \mathcal{E}(n; \lambda) = \alpha_+(\mathcal{E}(n; \lambda)), \quad \mathcal{E}(n-1; \lambda) - \mathcal{E}(n; \lambda) = \alpha_-(\mathcal{E}(n; \lambda))$$

Creation & Annihilation Operators

$\phi_n(x) = \phi_0(x)P_n(\eta(x))$ and three term recurrence for P_n :

$$\eta(x)\phi_n(x) = A_n\phi_{n+1}(x) + B_n\phi_n(x) + C_n\phi_{n-1}(x) \quad (n \geq 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & e^{it\mathcal{H}}\eta(x)e^{-it\mathcal{H}}\phi_n(x) \\ &= e^{it(\mathcal{E}(n+1)-\mathcal{E}(n))}A_n\phi_{n+1}(x) + B_n\phi_n(x) + e^{it(\mathcal{E}(n-1)-\mathcal{E}(n))}C_n\phi_{n-1}(x) \\ &= e^{it\alpha_+(\mathcal{E}(n))}A_n\phi_{n+1}(x) + B_n\phi_n(x) + e^{it\alpha_-(\mathcal{E}(n))}C_n\phi_{n-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

Creation & Annihilation Operators $\phi_n(x) = a^{(+)}{}^n\phi_0(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} a^{(\pm)} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \pm \left([\mathcal{H}, \eta(x)] - \tilde{\eta}(x)\alpha_{\mp}(\mathcal{H}) \right) (\alpha_+(\mathcal{H}) - \alpha_-(\mathcal{H}))^{-1} \\ &= \pm (\alpha_+(\mathcal{H}) - \alpha_-(\mathcal{H}))^{-1} \left([\mathcal{H}, \eta(x)] + \alpha_{\pm}(\mathcal{H})\tilde{\eta}(x) \right), \end{aligned}$$

Determination of A_n and C_n

Universal formula for the coefficients of the three term recurrence
 A_n and C_n :

$$A_n = \frac{\frac{R_{-1}(\mathcal{E}(n))}{R_0(\mathcal{E}(n))} (\mathcal{E}(n) - \mathcal{E}(n-1)) + \eta(1)(\mathcal{E}(n) - B(0))}{\mathcal{E}(n+1) - \mathcal{E}(n-1)},$$
$$C_n = \frac{\frac{R_{-1}(\mathcal{E}(n))}{R_0(\mathcal{E}(n))} (\mathcal{E}(n) - \mathcal{E}(n+1)) + \eta(1)(\mathcal{E}(n) - B(0))}{\mathcal{E}(n-1) - \mathcal{E}(n+1)},$$

due to universal normalisation $P_n(0) = 1$

Birth and Death Equation

- Birth and Death (BD) process: typical stationary Markov process with **1-d discrete state space**
- transition only **between nearest neighbours** \leftrightarrow **tri-diagonal matrix**:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{P}(x; t) = (L_{\text{BD}} \mathcal{P})(x; t), \quad \mathcal{P}(x; t) \geq 0, \quad \sum_x \mathcal{P}(x; t) = 1$$

L_{BD} : *inverse similarity transformation* of the Hamiltonian \mathcal{H} of the Simplest QM:

$$L_{\text{BD}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\phi_0 \circ \mathcal{H} \circ \phi_0^{-1} = (e^{-\partial} - 1)B(x) + (e^{\partial} - 1)D(x),$$

$$L_{\text{BD}} \phi_0(x) \phi_n(x) = -\mathcal{E}(n) \phi_0(x) \phi_n(x) \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots).$$

universal solution for Initial Value Problem

Birth and Death eq. $B(x)$: Birth rate, $D(x)$: Death rate

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{P}(x; t) = B(x-1)\mathcal{P}(x-1; t) + D(x+1)\mathcal{P}(x+1; t) - (B(x) + D(x))\mathcal{P}(x; t)$$

initial probability distribution $\mathcal{P}(x; 0) \geq 0$ ($\sum_x \mathcal{P}(x; 0) = 1$):

$$\mathcal{P}(x; t) = \hat{\phi}_0(x) \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} c_n e^{-\mathcal{E}(n)t} \hat{\phi}_n(x) \quad (t > 0),$$

$$\mathcal{P}(x; 0) = \hat{\phi}_0(x) \sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} c_n \hat{\phi}_n(x), \quad c_n = (\hat{\phi}_n(x), \hat{\phi}_0(x)^{-1} \mathcal{P}(x; 0)), \quad c_0 = 1$$

universal formula for Transition Probability

concentrated initial distribution at y $\mathcal{P}(x; 0) = \delta_{xy}$:

$$\mathcal{P}(x, y; t) = \hat{\phi}_0(x) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{n_{\max}} e^{-\mathcal{E}(n)t} \hat{\phi}_n(x) \hat{\phi}_n(y) \right) \hat{\phi}_0(y)^{-1} \quad (t > 0),$$

Chapman-Kolmogorov equation is satisfied \Leftrightarrow orthonormality condition

$$\mathcal{P}(x, y; t) = \sum_{z=0}^{x_{\max}} \mathcal{P}(x, z; t - t') \mathcal{P}(z, y; t') \quad (0 < t' < t)$$

Comments

In Functional Analysis, Jacobi matrices are discussed mainly via *Moment Problems*. Given a measure $d\mu(x)$, construct normalised orthogonal polynomial $\{P_n(x)\}$:

$$\langle P_n, P_m \rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int P_n(x)P_m(x)d\mu(x) = \delta_{n,m},$$

with a positive leading term $P_n(x) = k_n x^n + \dots$, $k_n > 0$. A Jacobi matrix is defined via three term recurrence

$$\begin{aligned} xP_n(x) &= a_n P_{n+1}(x) + b_n P_n(x) + a_{n-1} P_{n-1}(x), \\ a_n &= \langle P_{n+1}, xP_n \rangle > 0, \quad b_n = \langle P_n, xP_n \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

$\{P_n(x)\}$ are Not eigenvectors of the Jacobi matrix J .

Comments, continued

$$J = \begin{pmatrix}
 b_0 & a_0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\
 a_0 & b_1 & a_1 & 0 & \dots & \vdots \\
 0 & a_1 & b_2 & a_2 & \dots & \vdots \\
 \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\
 0 & \dots & \dots & a_{N-2} & b_{N-1} & a_{N-1} \\
 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & a_{N-1} & b_N
 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (Hamburger, Stieltjes) Moment problems ($m_n = \int x^n d\mu(x)$) are *too narrowly* posed. More general moments of 'sinusoidal coordinates' $M_n = \int \eta(x)^n d\mu(x)$ needed .
- Simplest QM measures $d\mu(x) = \sum_{y=0} \phi_0(y)^2 \delta_{x,y}$: always *indeterminate* $\phi_0(x)^2 \rightarrow \phi_0(x)^2 + \sin \pi x \cdot F(\sin \pi x)$.

New Developments in Orthogonal Polynomials Theory

- polynomials having Jackson integral measures can be formulated within Simplest QM
- unified quantum mechanical formulation covering the other polynomials in the Askey scheme including the Wilson, Askey-Wilson polynomials has been constructed
- ∞ many orthogonal polynomials satisfying 2nd order differential eqs are found, '08-present, Gomez-Ullate, et al, Quesne, Odake-Sasaki, called **exceptional, multi-indexed Laguerre & Jacobi** polynomials
- there are 'holes' in the degrees and three term recurrence does not hold (Bochner's Thr avoided), but they form complete set
- corresponding exceptional and multi-indexed Racah, q -Racah, Wilson, Askey-Wilson polynomials have been constructed

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