

3.4 Classical Forces Generate Coherent states

Let $\vec{j}(\vec{r}, t)$ be a classical electric current

$$\text{Let } \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) = \vec{e} A_0 [\hat{a} e^{i\phi} + \hat{a}^\dagger e^{-i\phi}]$$

where $\vec{A}(\vec{r}, t)$ is a vector op for the E.M. Field

and $A_0 \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2\omega \epsilon_0 V}}$ is the single-photon vector

potential amplitude \uparrow type and $\phi = \phi(\vec{r}, t) \equiv \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} - \omega t$

From Jackson the classical interaction energy \uparrow type between current and field is $\mathcal{U}(t) = - \int_V d^3r \vec{j} \cdot \vec{A}$; take $\vec{A} \rightarrow \hat{A}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \hat{U}(t) &= - \int_V d^3r \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot \hat{A}(\vec{r}, t) \\ &= -A_0 \int d^3r \{ \hat{a} \vec{e} \cdot \vec{j} e^{i\phi} + \hat{a}^\dagger \vec{e} \cdot \vec{j} e^{-i\phi} \} \\ &= -A_0 \{ \hat{a} \vec{e} \cdot [\int d^3r \vec{j} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}] e^{-i\omega t} + \hat{a}^\dagger \vec{e} \cdot [\int d^3r \vec{j} e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}] e^{+i\omega t} \} \\ &= -A_0 \{ \hat{a} \vec{e} \cdot [\int d^3r \vec{j} e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}] e^{-i\omega t} + \hat{a}^\dagger \vec{e} \cdot [\int d^3r \vec{j} e^{+i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}] e^{+i\omega t} \} \\ \text{w.l.o.g. } \vec{j} &= \vec{j}^* \in \text{Real. Let } \int d^3r \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} \equiv \vec{J}(\vec{k}, t) \\ \text{be the 3D Fourier transform of } \vec{j}(\vec{r}, t) \text{ in } \vec{k}\text{-space.} \\ (\text{Note: } \hbar = c = G = \sqrt{2\epsilon_0} = 1.) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{U}(t) = -A_0 \{ \hat{a} [\vec{e} \cdot \vec{J}] e^{-i\omega t} + \hat{a}^\dagger [\vec{e} \cdot \vec{J}^*] e^{+i\omega t} \}$$

is the time dependent interaction Hamiltonian,

Recall (Merzbacher) in the Dirac interaction picture

from $t \rightarrow t + \delta t$ where $\delta t \ll 1$ we may

approximate

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \hat{U}(t) &\approx \hat{U}(t) - \hat{U}(t + \delta t) \approx \left(\frac{\partial \hat{U}(t)}{\partial t} \right) \delta t \\ &= +i A_0 \omega \{ \hat{a} (\vec{e} \cdot \vec{J}) e^{-i\omega t} - \hat{a}^\dagger (\vec{e} \cdot \vec{J}^*) e^{+i\omega t} \} \delta t \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding differential time evolution of $\hat{\rho}$ is

$$\hat{G}(\delta t) \equiv \exp[-i\hbar^{-1} \hat{V} \delta t] \quad \text{interaction picture [MERTZ]}_0$$

$$\text{Let } u(t) \equiv -\frac{1}{\hbar} A_0 (\vec{e} \cdot \vec{J}^*(t)) e^{i\omega t} \quad (\text{Different in our book})$$

where $\omega \delta t^2 \ll \delta t$ [Richtmayer, Kennard, Cooper]

$$\text{Then } \hat{G}(\delta t) = \exp[\alpha(t) \hat{a}^\dagger - \alpha^*(t) \hat{a}] = \hat{D}_{\alpha(t)}$$

This is THE DISPLACEMENT OP \hat{D} $\alpha(t) \equiv u(t) \delta t$

So classical current \vec{J} induces coherent state that's how we make radio waves: $\bar{n} \rightarrow \infty$.

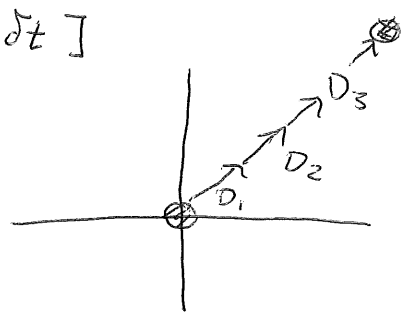
For evolution not small $t: 0 \rightarrow T$ divide interval into chunks of δt s.t. $l = 0, \dots, L$ and $L = T/\delta t$ and $t \rightarrow t_l = l \delta t$

À LA MERZBACHER:

$$\hat{G}(T) = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \prod_{l=0}^L \hat{D}[\alpha(t_l) \delta t]$$

$$= \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \hat{D}_L \times \hat{D}_{L-1} \times \dots \times \hat{D}_1 \times \hat{D}_0 \right\}$$

time ordered



$$= \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} e^{i\Phi_L} \hat{D}[\alpha_L + \alpha_{L-1} + \dots + \alpha_1 + \alpha_0] \quad E_2, 3.42$$

$$= \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} e^{i\Phi_L} \hat{D}[\alpha_L(T)]$$

where Φ_L is some overall phase in a gamma drop ...

$$\text{and } \alpha_L(T) \equiv \sum_{l=0}^L \alpha_l \equiv \sum_{l=0}^L u(t_l) \delta t$$

which is a Riemann sum definition of an integral

$$\lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \alpha_L(T) = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \sum_{l=0}^{T/\delta t} u(t_l) \delta t \equiv \int_0^T u(t) dt \equiv \alpha(T)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\hbar} A_0 \vec{e} \cdot \int_0^T dt \vec{J}^*(t) e^{i\omega t} = \text{time integrated interaction erg.}$$

$$T \rightarrow t \Rightarrow \hat{G}(t) \equiv \hat{D}_\alpha(t)$$

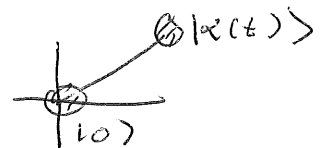
and time evolution \Rightarrow generation of coherent state.

$$\hat{G}(t) |0\rangle = |\alpha(t)\rangle$$

Any classical current generates a coherent E & M field

Classical Pump generates laser!

Classical current generates radio waves!



How many photons in a radio wave?

$$\text{Eq. 3.13} \Rightarrow \langle \alpha | \hat{E} | \alpha \rangle = 2\sqrt{\bar{n}} \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{2\epsilon_0 V} \right)^{1/2} = 1 \frac{\text{Volt}}{\text{meter}}$$

\uparrow E-Field

$$= \frac{1 \text{ Volt}}{1 \text{ meter}} \Rightarrow$$

Radiowave $\omega \sim 100 \text{ MHz} = 10^8 \text{ Hz}$

$$\epsilon_0 = \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{\epsilon_0 V} \right) \quad \text{Let } V = 1(\text{meter})^3 = \text{Volume single photon field}$$

$$\epsilon_0 \sim \left(\frac{10^{-34} \times 10^8}{10^{-11}} \right) \sim 10^{-34} \times 10^{19} \sim 10^{-15} \frac{\text{Volt}}{\text{meter}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\bar{n}} \sim \sqrt{\bar{n}} \epsilon_0 \sim \sqrt{\bar{n}} 10^{-15} \frac{\text{Volt}}{\text{meter}} \sim 1 \frac{\text{Volt}}{\text{meter}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{n} \sim 10^{30} \text{ photons in a radio wave}$$

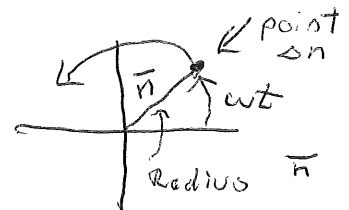
There's a lot of photons

$$\frac{\Delta n}{\bar{n}} = \frac{\sqrt{\bar{n}}}{\bar{n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\bar{n}}} = 10^{-15}$$

one part in 10^{15} so unobservable

As classical as you can get!

Number fluctuations



3.5 More $\langle \alpha |$

Coherent states are normal $\langle \alpha | \alpha \rangle = 1$ but not orthogonal. $\langle \alpha | \beta \rangle \neq 0$ if $|\alpha\rangle \neq |\beta\rangle$

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_n e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

$$|\beta\rangle = \sum_m e^{-\frac{|\beta|^2}{2}} \frac{\beta^m}{\sqrt{m!}} |m\rangle$$

$$\langle \beta | = \{ |\beta\rangle \}^\dagger = \sum_m e^{-\frac{|\beta|^2}{2}} \frac{\beta^{*m}}{\sqrt{m!}} \langle m |$$

$$\langle \beta | \alpha \rangle = e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2}{2}} \sum_{mn} \frac{\beta^{*m} \alpha^n}{\sqrt{m! n!}} \langle m | n \rangle$$

$$= e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2}{2}} \sum_n \frac{(\beta^* \alpha)^n}{n!} \leftarrow \text{exp}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2}{2}} e^{\beta^* \alpha}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2} [|\alpha|^2 - 2\beta^* \alpha + |\beta|^2]}$$

Noting: $|\beta - \alpha|^2 = (\beta - \alpha)^\dagger (\beta - \alpha) = (\beta^* - \alpha^*) (\beta - \alpha)$

$$= |\beta|^2 - \alpha^* \beta - \beta^* \alpha + |\alpha|^2$$

$$= |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 + \underbrace{2\beta^* \alpha - 2\beta^* \alpha}_{=0} - \alpha^* \beta - \beta^* \alpha$$

complete the square

$$= |\alpha|^2 - 2\beta^* \alpha + |\beta|^2 + \beta^* \alpha - \alpha^* \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow |\alpha|^2 - 2\beta^* \alpha + |\beta|^2 = |\beta - \alpha|^2 + \alpha^* \beta - \beta^* \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\langle \beta | \alpha \rangle = e^{\frac{1}{2} [\beta^* \alpha - \alpha^* \beta]} e^{-\frac{1}{2} |\beta - \alpha|^2}}$$

$$\alpha = \alpha' + i\alpha''$$

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$$z = \beta^* \alpha = x + iy$$

$$\alpha^* = \alpha' - i\alpha''$$

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$$\Rightarrow z^* = \alpha^* \beta = x - iy$$

$$\Rightarrow z - z^* = 2iy$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta^* \alpha - \alpha^* \beta = 2i \operatorname{Im}(\alpha^* \beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \beta | \alpha \rangle = e^{i \operatorname{Im}(\alpha^* \beta)} e^{-\frac{1}{2} |\beta - \alpha|^2}$$

$$\langle \beta | \alpha \rangle^* = \langle \alpha | \beta \rangle = e^{-i \operatorname{Im}(\alpha^* \beta)} e^{-\frac{1}{2} |\beta - \alpha|^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|\langle \beta | \alpha \rangle|^2 = \langle \beta | \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha | \beta \rangle = e^{-|\beta - \alpha|^2} = e^{-|\alpha - \beta|^2}}$$

This is never zero! let $\alpha = |\alpha| e^{i\theta}$

$$\beta = |\beta| e^{i\phi} = \sqrt{\bar{m}} e^{i\phi} \quad \Bigg| \quad = \sqrt{\bar{n}} e^{i\theta}$$

$$|\alpha - \beta|^2 = \langle \alpha - \beta | \alpha - \beta \rangle$$

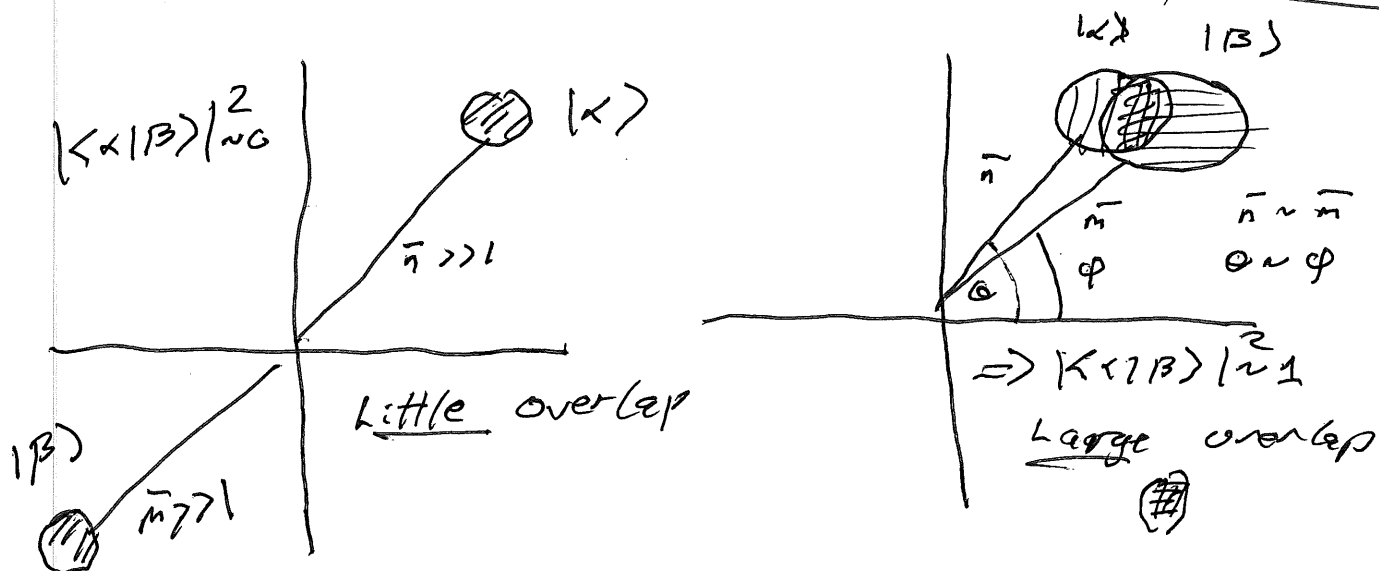
$$= |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 - 2|\alpha||\beta| e^{i(\theta - \phi)} = \bar{n} + \bar{m} - 2\sqrt{\bar{n}\bar{m}} e^{i(\theta - \phi)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\bar{n}}^2 + \sqrt{\bar{m}}^2 - 2\sqrt{\bar{n}\bar{m}} \cos(\theta - \phi)$$

$$\Rightarrow |\langle \beta | \alpha \rangle|^2 = e^{-\bar{n}} e^{-\bar{m}} e^{-2\sqrt{\bar{n}\bar{m}} \cos(\theta - \phi)}$$

This $\rightarrow 0$ if $\bar{n} \rightarrow \infty$; $\bar{m} \rightarrow \infty$

and $\theta \neq \phi$ so classical and well separated



over
 [] Coherent states are ⁿcomplete

$$\left[\frac{1}{\pi} \int d\alpha^2 | \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha | = \hat{1} \right]$$

where $d\alpha^* \equiv d\alpha' d\alpha'' = d\text{Re}(\alpha) d\text{Im}(\alpha)$

if $\alpha \in \text{Complex}$; $\alpha = \alpha' + i\alpha''$

with $\alpha', \alpha'' \in \text{Real}$

Double Integral over Complex Plane

Proof $(\bar{n} \equiv |\alpha|^2)$

$$| \alpha \rangle = e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}} | n \rangle$$

$$\langle \alpha | = e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^{*m}}{\sqrt{m!}} \langle m |$$

Ket - Bra OP : $| \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha | = e^{-|\alpha|^2} \sum_{n,m} \frac{\alpha^{*n} \alpha^m}{\sqrt{n! m!}} | n \rangle \langle m |$

$$\int d\alpha^2 | \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha | = \int d\alpha^2 \sum_{n,m} \frac{\alpha^{*n} \alpha^m}{\sqrt{n! m!}} | n \rangle \langle m | e^{-|\alpha|^2}$$

Let $\alpha = \alpha' + i\alpha'' = |\alpha| e^{i\theta} = \sqrt{r} e^{i\theta} \equiv r e^{i\theta}$

$$\int d\alpha^2 \equiv \int d\alpha' \int d\alpha'' = \iint d\alpha' d\alpha'' \rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} r dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta$$

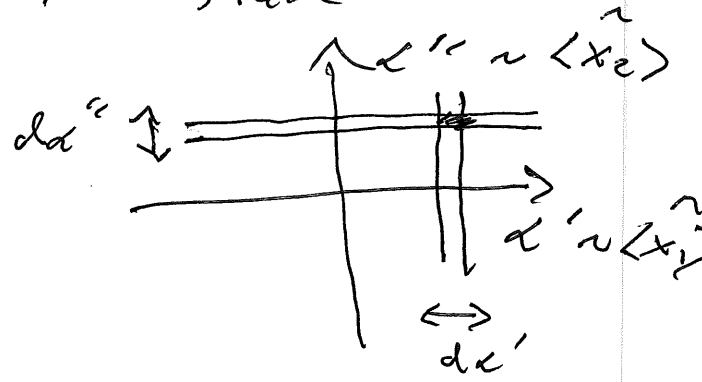
switch to polar $r^2 \equiv \bar{n}$

$$\Rightarrow \int d\alpha^2 | \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha | = \sum_{n,m} \int_0^{\infty} r dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta r^{n+m} e^{-r^2} e^{i(n-m)\theta} \frac{| n \rangle \langle m |}{\sqrt{n! m!}}$$

But $\int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \exp[i(n-m)\theta] \equiv 2\pi \delta_{n,m}$

$$\Rightarrow \int d\alpha^2 | \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha | = 2\pi \sum_n \left(\int_0^{\infty} dr r^{2n+1} e^{-r^2} \right) \frac{| n \rangle \langle n |}{n!}$$

Let $u \equiv r^2$ $du = 2r dr$ $r : 0 \rightarrow \infty$
 $u : 0 \rightarrow \infty$



$$\Rightarrow \int dx^2 |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| = \pi \sum_n \left(\int_0^\infty du u^n e^{-u} \right) \frac{|\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha|}{n!}$$

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$$\int_0^\infty u^n e^{-u} = -n! e^{-u} \Big|_0^\infty$$

$$= -n! [0 - 1] = n!$$

$n u^{n-1} \oplus$
 $n(n-1) u^{n-2} \ominus$
 \vdots
 $n! u^0 \oplus (-)^n e^{-u}$

$$\Rightarrow \int dx^2 |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| = \pi \sum_n \frac{n!}{n!} |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| = \pi \sum_n |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| = \mathbb{1} \cdot \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{\pi} \int dx^2 |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| = \mathbb{1}}$$