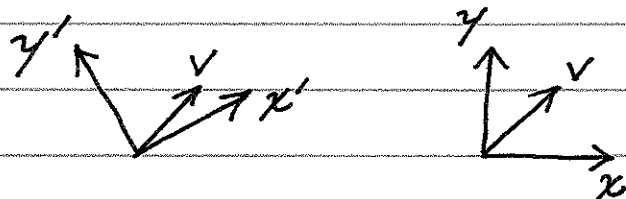


## Representations:



$$\vec{V} = \alpha' \hat{x}' + \beta' \hat{y}' \quad \vec{V} = \alpha \hat{x} + \beta \hat{y}$$

Vector same, but coefficients different.

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha' &= \hat{x}' \cdot \vec{V} \\ \beta' &= \hat{y}' \cdot \vec{V} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha' \\ \beta' \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \alpha &= \hat{x} \cdot \vec{V} \\ \beta &= \hat{y} \cdot \vec{V} \end{aligned}$$

Always need to specify basis.

In quantum mechanics we have

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n c_n |\psi_n\rangle$$

↙ basis

$$c_n = \langle \psi_n | \psi \rangle.$$

## Momentum eigenstates:

$$\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{d}{dx} f_p(x) = p f_p(x)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{df_p}{dx} = \frac{ip}{\hbar} f_p \rightarrow f_p \propto e^{ipx/\hbar}$$

Book's Convention:  $f_p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{ipx/\hbar}$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \langle f_{p'} | f_p \rangle &= \int dx \frac{e^{-ip'x/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \\ &= \delta(p-p') \end{aligned}$$

## Expansion in momentum basis:

$$f(x) = \int c(p) f_p(x) dp$$

$$c(p) = \langle f_p | f \rangle. \quad (\text{compare to discrete case})$$

This is often written as:

$$|f\rangle = \int c_p |p\rangle dp$$

$$c_p = \langle p | f \rangle.$$

### Position eigenstates:

$$\hat{x} g_y(x) = y g_y(x) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{eigenvector} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{eigenvalue} \end{array}$$

$$g_y(x) = \delta(x-y)$$

$$\langle g_{y'} | g_y \rangle = \int dx \delta(x-y') \delta(x-y) = \delta(y-y')$$

### Expansion in position basis:

$$f(x) = \int c(y) g_y(x) dy$$

$$c(y) = \langle g_y | f \rangle = f(y)$$

This is often written as:

$$|f\rangle = \int c_y |y\rangle dy$$

$$c_y = \langle y | f \rangle.$$

Energy-time uncertainty relation:

Let  $Q$  be any Hermitian operator.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\langle Q \rangle}{dt} &= \frac{d\langle \psi | Q | \psi \rangle}{dt} \\ &= \langle \frac{d\psi}{dt} | Q | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | Q | \frac{d\psi}{dt} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

From the Schrodinger equations

$$i\hbar \frac{d|\psi\rangle}{dt} = H|\psi\rangle \rightarrow \frac{d|\psi\rangle}{dt} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} H|\psi\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d\langle\psi|}{dt} = -\frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle\psi| H$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\langle Q \rangle}{dt} = \frac{-1}{i\hbar} \langle \psi | H Q | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle + \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle \psi | Q H | \psi \rangle$$

$$= \langle \psi | \frac{1}{i\hbar} [Q, H] | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d\langle Q \rangle}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, Q] \rangle + \langle \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} \rangle}$$

Let  $Q = x$ .  $\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = 0$  since no time dependence in operator itself.

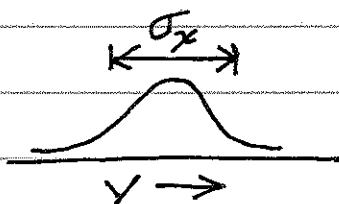
$$\frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, x] \rangle$$

From the uncertainty relation with  $A = H$ ,  $B = x$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_A \sigma_B &= \sigma_H \sigma_x \geq \left| \frac{1}{2i} \langle [A, B] \rangle \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{2i} \langle [H, x] \rangle \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{2i} \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt} \right| = \frac{\hbar}{2} \left| \frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt} \right| \end{aligned}$$

For a wave packet moving with average velocity  $v = \frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt}$ , the time it takes to pass is approximately

$$\Delta t = \frac{\sigma_x}{v} = \frac{\sigma_x}{d\langle x \rangle / dt}$$



$$\Delta E = \sigma_H$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta E \Delta t \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}}$$