

# ATOMISM & QUANTIZATION

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Hepp, Spohn, Erdős,

Schlein; & others.

# Introduction

Here is what this lecture will be about:

1. Atomism by deformation-quantization - of cont. field theories of matter
2. Hamiltonian continuum theories of matter as mean-field limits of atomistic theories - a Egorov theorem
3. Newtonian "point particles" as "solitons" of continuum theories

Many applications to Physics & Math!

# Mathematical themes underlying this lecture

- (1) Quantization  $\leftrightarrow$   
deformations of assoc.  
algebras (Poisson br.  $\rightarrow$   
commutators; Fock space)
- (2) Semi-class. analysis for  
systs. w.  $\infty$  many degs. of  
freedom (Egorov thm. ...)
- (3) NL Hamiltonian evolution  
equations, soliton dyn.

# 1. Atomism as quantization

Major developments in  
20<sup>th</sup> Century Physics:

(i) Atomistic constitution  
of matter  $\leftrightarrow N_A^{-1}$

Three revolutions: |

(ii) Quantum Th.  $\leftrightarrow \hbar$

(iii) STR  $\leftrightarrow c^{-1}$

(iv) GR  $\leftrightarrow l_P$

deformation  
parameters

+ combinations of (i) - (iv):

Quantum Stat. Mech. & many-  
body th., RQFT, gauge th.



(i) - (iv) arise by 'deformation' from precursor ths.

To be understood:

$$\frac{N_A^{-1}, \hbar}{}$$

(a) TD  $\leftrightarrow$  stat. mech.

(b) Irrev. beh., transport th.,  
quantum Brownian m., ...

(c) Deeper meaning of QM

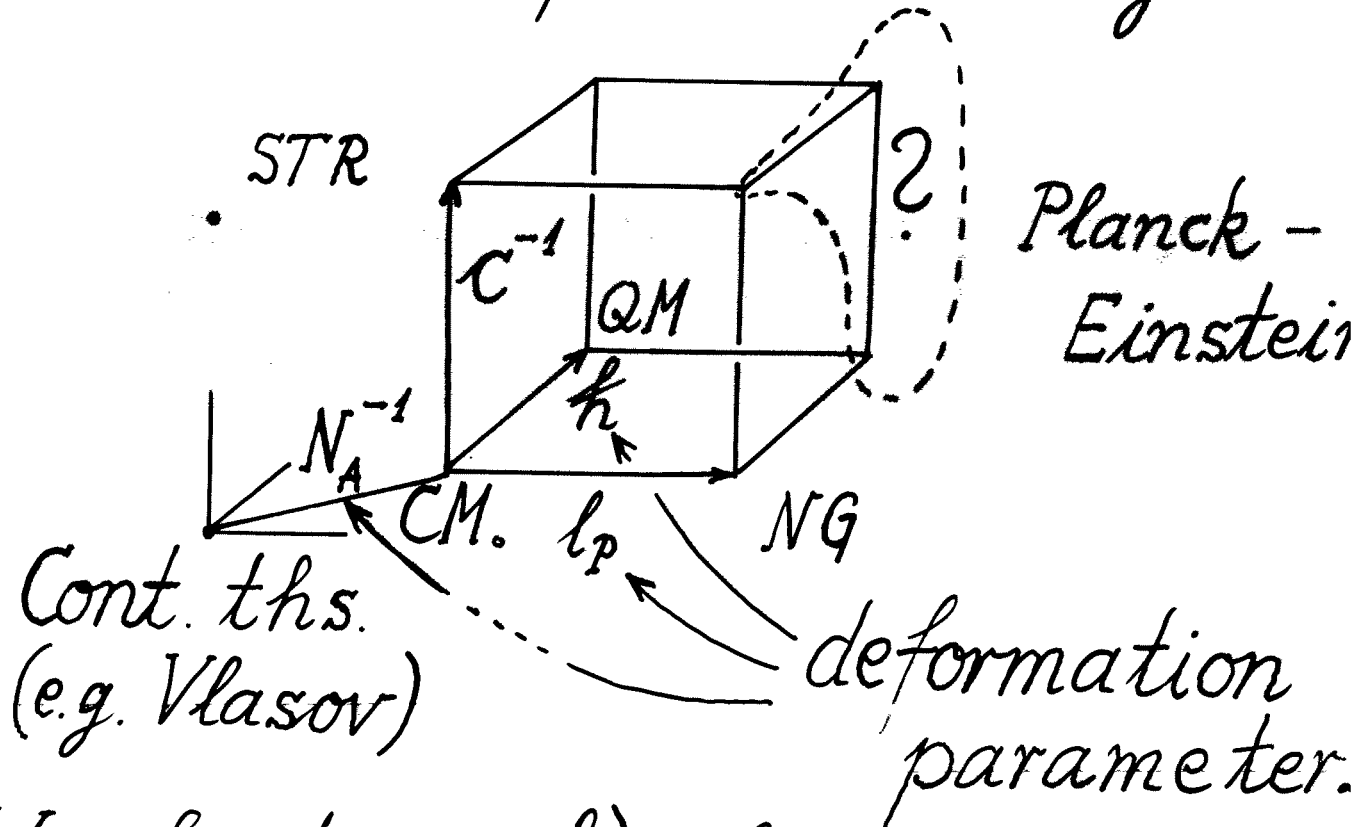
$$\frac{\hbar, c^{-1}, l_p}{}$$

(d) RQFT; emergence of  
space-time, causal  
structure, gravitation, ...

1<sup>st</sup> step: Atomism

# 1. Atomism as quantization <sup>2</sup>

Reflection on main changes  
in "Weltbild" of 20<sup>th</sup> Cent. Physics.



(Verification of) old paradigm:

Atomism  $\leftrightarrow$   $N_A^{-1}$

Three revolutions:

QM

$\leftrightarrow$

$\hbar$

STR

$\leftrightarrow$

$c^{-1}$

GR

$\leftrightarrow$

$l_P$

21<sup>st</sup> Cent.: ?

$\leftrightarrow$

$\alpha' a_-$



# Atomism

Über das Boltzmann'sche Prinzip und einige unmittelbare  
aus demselben fließende Folgerungen.

Die Thermodynamik beruht bekanntlich auf zwei Prinzipien, dem Energieprinzip (auch 1. Hauptsatz genannt) und dem Prinzip der Nichtumkehrbarkeit des Naturgeschehens (auch 2. Hauptsatz genannt).  
~~Das Prinzip~~ sagt aus, der Inhalt des letzteren Prinzip liegt sich  
~~in der Natur~~ nach Planck so aussprechen.

Alle Wissenschaft ist auf die Voraussetzung der <sup>vollständigen</sup> ~~hinreichenden~~ kausalen Verknüpfung jeglichen Geschehens begründet. Wenn Galilei <sup>Nehmen wir an,</sup> in seinen Fall- und Pendelversuchen gefunden hätte, dass dasselbe Pendel so schwingt, dass die Dauer einer Schwingung in unregelmäßiger Weise wechselt, <sup>Nehmen wir ferner an,</sup> ohne dass dieser Wechsel mit dem Wechsel anderer irgend welcher anderer beobachtbarer Verhältnisse nicht hätte in Verbindung gebracht werden können. Dann wäre es Galilei <sup>unmöglich gewesen,</sup> wohl kaum eingefallen seine Beobachtungen zu einem Gesetze zu vereinen. Hätten alle menschlichen Erscheinungen einen derart unregelmässigen Charakter, wie wir es in dem ersten fragsten Teile uns vorgestellt haben, so wären die Menschen gewiss nie auf <sup>natur</sup> wissenschaftliche Bestrebungen verfallen.

Welchen Charakter müssten die Erscheinungen haben, damit Wissen oft möglich sei? Darauf möchte man zuerst etwa folgendes antworten: Bringen wir ein System in einen bestimmten Zustand, so ist, falls das System von anderen Systemen - etwa durch grosse störende Einwirkung - <sup>so ist</sup> ~~abgeschnitten~~ <sup>abgeschnitten</sup> ist, der zeitliche Ablauf der Zustände dieses Systems vollkommen bestimmt; d. h. bringen wir <sup>beliebig viele</sup> zwei gleichbeschaffene <sup>isolierte</sup> Systeme in genau denselben Zustand und überlassen wir diese Systeme sich selbst, so ist für alle diese Systeme der zeitliche Ablauf der Erscheinungen genau derselbe.

A. Einstein

1911

"Hier (in quantum th.) liegt<sup>4</sup>  
der Schlüssel der Situation  
der Schlüssel nicht nur zur  
Strahlungstheorie, sondern  
auch zur molekularen (ato-  
mistic) Konstitution der  
Materie..."

A. Sommerfeld, "Das Planck-  
sche Wirkungsquantum &  
seine allg. Bedeutung für  
die Molekularphysik".

Spectroscopy; Brownian  
motion (Einstein, Perrin, ...)

# 1.1. Newtonian Mechanics as "quantization" of Vlasov Mech.

"Stellar dust" descr. as class  
continuous medium; states  
given by mass density

$$M \int f(x, p) dx dp$$

on  $\mathbb{R}^3_{\text{position}} \times \mathbb{R}^3_{\text{velocity}}$ , with

$$\int f(x, p) dx dp = \nu$$

( $\nu$ : # moles of dust)

Time-dependence of  $f(x, p)$   
given by Vlasov Equation.

This is a model of matter as  
a continuous medium!

# Vlasov Eq.

$$\partial_t f_t(x, p) = -\frac{1}{M} (p \cdot \nabla_x f_t)(x, p) + (\nabla V_{\text{eff}}[f_t] \cdot \nabla_p f_t)(x, p),$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}(x) := V(x) + \int dy \phi(x-y) * \int dp f_t(y, p)$$

$\phi$  : reg. Newtonian pot.  
& Neunzert

Braun-Hepp: Vlasov is

mean-field limit of  
 $n = \nu N_A$  point particles

w. mass  $m = \frac{M}{N_A}$ , 2-body

pot.  $\frac{1}{N_A} \phi$ , as  $N_A \rightarrow \infty$ .

Vlasov dynamics is

Hamiltonian dynamics:

$$f(x, p) = \overline{\alpha(x, p)} \cdot \alpha(x, p),$$

$$\alpha \in \Gamma = H^1(\mathbb{R}^6), \quad \{\alpha^\#, \alpha^\#\} = 0,$$

$$\{\alpha(x, p), \overline{\alpha(x', p')}\} = -i \delta(x - x') \delta(p - p'),$$

$$\mathcal{H}_V(\bar{\alpha}, \alpha) = i \iint dx dp \bar{\alpha} \left[ \frac{1}{M} p \cdot \nabla_x - \nabla W \cdot \nabla_p \right] \alpha$$

$$- i \iint dx dp \bar{\alpha} \left[ \iint dy dr \nabla \phi(x - y) |\alpha(y, r)|^2 \right] \cdot \nabla_p \alpha$$

Hamiltonian Eqs. of motion,

$$(1) \quad \dot{\alpha}_t(x, p) = \{\mathcal{H}_V, \alpha_t(x, p)\}, \quad \dot{\bar{\alpha}}_t(x, p) = \dots$$

$\Rightarrow$  Vlasov Eqs. for  $f_t(x, p)$ !

## Wick quantization

$$\alpha(x, p) \rightarrow a_N(x, p), \quad \overline{\alpha(x, p)} \rightarrow a_N^*(x, p)$$

$$[a_N^\#, a_N^\#] = 0, \quad (N \equiv N_A)$$

$$[a_N(x, p), a_N^*(x', p')] = \frac{1}{N} \delta(x - x') \delta(p - p')$$

$$\sim \frac{i}{N} \{ \alpha(x, p), \overline{\alpha(x', p')} \} \quad (\text{Dirac})$$

$a_N, a_N^*$  act on Fock space

$$\mathcal{F}_V := \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}_V^{(n)},$$

$$\mathcal{F}_V^{(0)} = \mathbb{C} |0\rangle, \quad |0\rangle \text{ vacuum}$$

$$a_N(x, p) |0\rangle = 0, \quad \forall x, p.$$

$$\mathcal{F}_V^{(n)} := \left\langle \int \cdots \int \varphi_n(x_1, p_1, \dots, x_n, p_n) \prod_{i=1}^n a_N^*(x_i, p_i) |0\rangle \right\rangle$$

$f_n := |\varphi_n|^2 = \text{symm. density on}$   
 $n\text{-point-part. phase space } \Gamma^{(n)}$



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Hamilton op. :  $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_V := :\mathcal{H}_V(a_N^*, a_N):$

Schrödinger Eq. :

$$iN^{-1} \partial_t \Psi_t = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_V \Psi_t, \quad \Psi_t \in \mathcal{F}_V$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  Liouville's Eq. of motion  
for symm.  $n$ -particle densities,  
 $f_n = \overline{\varphi_n} \cdot \varphi_n$ , on  $\Gamma^{(n)}$ , 2-body  
potential  $\frac{1}{N} \phi$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Apparently, atomistic  
Newtonian mech. of point-part.  
= quantization of continuum  
theory given by Vlasov eq.

||  
(B-H) "classical limit"  
of Newtonian mech

Rephrasing Braun-Hepp

$$\psi \equiv \psi^{(n)}(\alpha) := \text{cst.} \int \cdots \int \prod_{i=1}^n \alpha(x_i, p_i) a_N^*(x_i, p_i) |0\rangle$$

For  $n \approx \nu N$ ,

$$e^{-itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_\nu} \psi^{(n)}(\alpha) \approx \psi^{(n)}(\alpha_t) + O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right),$$

where  $\alpha_t$  solves (1), i.e.,  $f_t = \nu \bar{\alpha} \cdot \alpha_t$   
solves Vlasov, with  $\int f_t = \nu$ .

More precise statement in  
form of a Egorov Theorem.

Alas, description of stars  
in terms of Vlasov Eq. leads  
to instabilities

→ Quantize ( $\hbar$ )!

## 1.2 Quant. gases as "2<sup>nd</sup> quantization" of Hartree mechanics

Replace  $f(x,p) = \overline{\alpha(x,p)} \cdot \alpha(x,p)$   
by

$$(2) f_{\hbar}(x,p) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int dy e^{-iyp} \overline{\psi(x - \frac{\hbar y}{2})} \cdot \psi(x + \frac{\hbar y}{2})$$

$f_{\hbar}$  is Wigner trsf. of  $\psi$

Dynamics of  $\psi$ :

$$(3) i\hbar \partial_t \psi_t = \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta + V \right] \psi_t + [|\psi_t|^2 * \phi] \psi_t$$

Hartree Equation

If solution  $\psi_t$  of (3) is  
plugged into (2) then

$$\lim_{\hbar \searrow 0} f_{\hbar,t}(x,p)$$

solves Vlasov Eq. (1);

( $\nearrow$  Narnhofer - Sewell)

Hartree is Hamiltonian Eq.

of motion on phase space

$\Gamma = H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$ ; Poisson brackets

$$\{\psi^\#, \psi^\#\} = 0, \quad \{\psi(x), \overline{\psi(y)}\} = i\delta(x-y)$$

Hamilton functional

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_H(\bar{\psi}, \psi) &:= \hbar^{-1} \int dx \bar{\psi}(x) \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta_x + V \right] \psi(x) \\ &\quad + \frac{\hbar^{-1}}{2} \int dx \int dy |\psi(x)|^2 \phi(x-y) |\psi(y)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$(3') \quad \dot{\psi}_t(x) = \{\mathcal{H}_H, \psi_t(x)\}, \quad \dot{\bar{\psi}}_t(x) = \dots$$

Continuum (field) theory of  
a quantum gas

"Second" quantize:

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \hat{\psi}_N(x), \quad \overline{\psi(x)} \rightarrow \hat{\psi}_N^*(x), \quad w.$$

$$[\hat{\psi}_N^\#, \hat{\psi}_N^\#] = 0, \quad [\hat{\psi}_N(x), \hat{\psi}_N^*(y)] = \frac{1}{N} \delta(x-y)$$

Fock space

$$\mathcal{F}_H = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}_H^{(n)}, \quad \mathcal{F}_H^{(0)} = \mathbb{C} |0\rangle,$$

$$\hat{\psi}_N(x) |0\rangle = 0, \quad \forall x$$

$$\mathcal{F}_H^{(n)} := \left\langle \int \cdots \int \varphi_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) \prod \hat{\psi}_N^*(x_i) |0\rangle \right\rangle$$

Many-body Hamiltonian

$$(4) \quad \hat{\mathcal{H}}_N := : \mathcal{H}_H(\hat{\psi}_N^*, \hat{\psi}_N) :$$

$$iN \partial_t \Psi_t = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_N \Psi_t$$

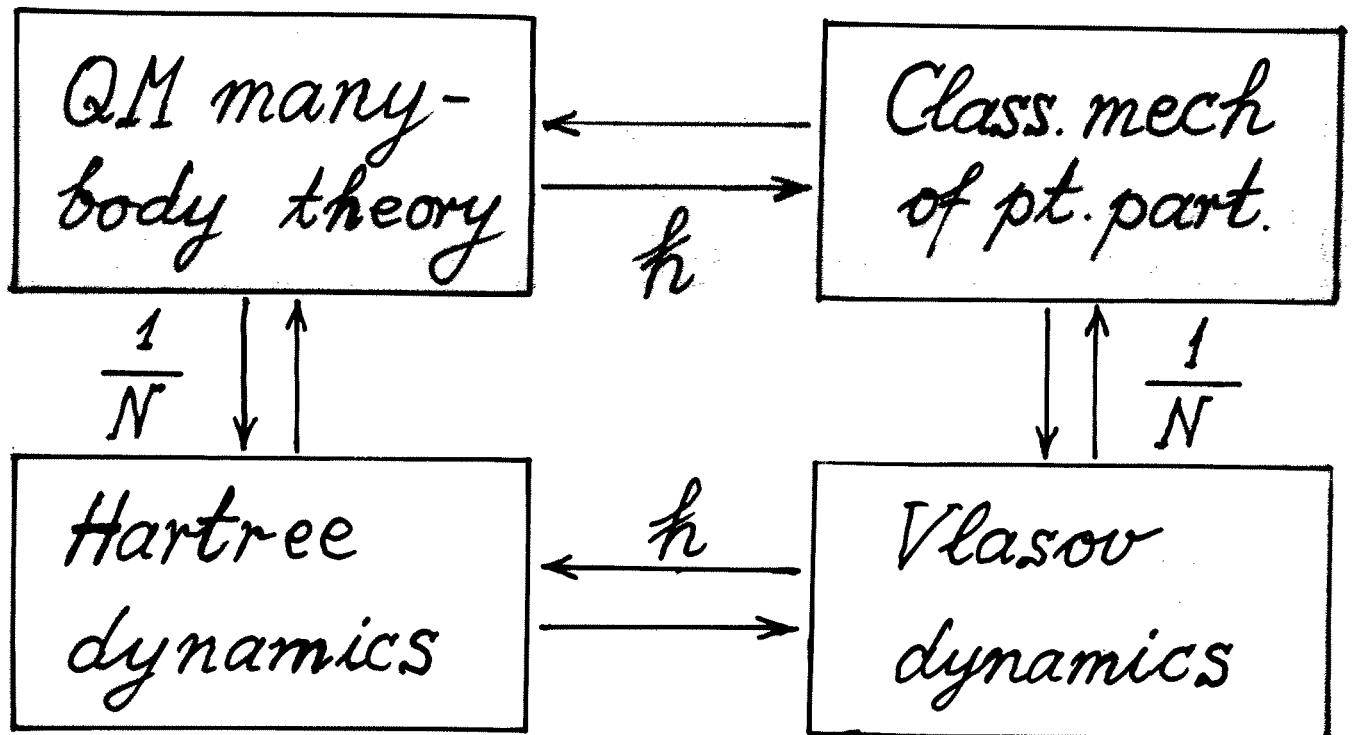
is Schrödinger Eq. for Bose gas of  $n=0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$  quantum

point particles, "atoms", with<sup>10</sup>  
2-body potential  $\frac{1}{N} \phi$ .

On  $n$ -particle subspace  $\mathcal{F}_H^{(n)}$ ,  
(4) is equivalent to

$$(4') \quad H^{(n)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta_j + V(x_j) \right] + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \phi(x_i - x_j)$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varphi_t^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = [H^{(n)} \varphi_t^{(n)}](x_1, \dots, x_n)$$



Atomism  $\leftrightarrow$  "2<sup>nd</sup>" Quantization

## 2. A Egorov Theorem

Continuum theory of quantum gases: "Observables" ~ gauge-inv. functions on  $\Gamma$

$$A(a^{(p)}) = \int \cdots \int \prod_1^p \overline{\psi(x_i)} dx_i a^{(p)}(\underline{x}; \underline{y}) \prod_1^p \psi(y_i) dy_i;$$

Time evolution given by flow,

$$\Phi_t : \bar{\psi}^{(-)} \rightarrow \bar{\psi}_t^{(-)}, \text{ where } \bar{\psi}_t^{(-)}$$

solves Hartree Eq. (3), (3')

$$A(a^{(p)}) \rightarrow A_t(a^{(p)}) := A(a^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_t$$

Many-body theory of quantum

$$\text{gases: } \psi \mapsto \hat{\psi}_N, \bar{\psi} \mapsto \hat{\psi}_N^*,$$

$$\text{with CCR; } A(a^{(p)}) \mapsto \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}),$$

$$\hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) = \int \dots \int \prod_1^p \hat{\psi}_N^*(x_i) dx_i a^{(p)}(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \prod_1^p \hat{\psi}_N(y_j) dy_j$$

gauge-inv.,  $\hat{\psi}_N^\# \mapsto e^{\pm i\theta} \hat{\psi}_N^\#$ ,

i.e., preserves particle #.

Time evolution (Heisenberg)

$$\hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) \rightarrow$$

$$\hat{A}_{N,t}(a^{(p)}) = e^{itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N}$$

Conservation laws:

$$\text{Gauge-inv.} \leftrightarrow \mathcal{N}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) = \int |\psi|^2 dx$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\hat{N} = \text{part. \#}$$

$$\text{Time-transl.-inv.} \leftrightarrow \mathcal{H}_H(\bar{\psi}, \psi)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N$$



# Egorov Theorem (new!)

For  $n \leq \nu N$ , ( $\nu < \infty$ ),

$$\hat{A}_{N,t}(a^{(p)}) \Big|_{\mathcal{I}^{(n)}} = \widehat{(A(a^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_{\mathcal{I}_N^t})} \Big|_{\mathcal{I}^{(n)}} + o(1)$$

$N \rightarrow \infty$

Idea of proof:

$\hat{A}_{N,t}(a^{(p)})$  in "interaction pict.";

expand in Lie-Schwinger  
series;  $\begin{matrix} \text{tree terms} \\ \text{loop terms} \end{matrix}$

Using conservation laws,

$$|\text{loop terms}| \sim O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right);$$

$$\underbrace{\sum \text{tree terms}} = \widehat{(A(a^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_{\mathcal{I}_N^t})}$$

abs. conv.,  $|t|$  small, unif. in  $N$ .

Related story for Fermions

$$\psi \rightarrow \hat{\psi}_N, \quad \bar{\psi} \rightarrow \hat{\psi}_N^*, \quad \text{with}$$

$$[\hat{\psi}_N^\#, \hat{\psi}_N^\#]_+ = 0, \quad [\hat{\psi}_N(x), \hat{\psi}_N^*(y)]_+ = \frac{1}{N} \delta(x-y),$$

$$[A, B]_+ := AB + BA.$$

$$\mathcal{H}_H \rightarrow \hat{\mathcal{H}}_N^f, \quad A(a^{(p)}) \rightarrow \hat{A}_N^f(a^{(p)}),$$

$a^{(p)}(x_1, \dots, x_p; y_1, \dots, y_p)$  tot. anti-symm  
in  $x$ 's & in  $y$ 's.

There's again a Egorov-type  
theorem. But "continuum  
theory" given by

Hartree-Fock Eq.

for  $n \sim \nu N$  orbitals.

### 3. Some details on Egorov Thm. for Bosons

$$\mathcal{H}_\hbar = \mathcal{H}_0 + V,$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0(\bar{\psi}, \psi) = \hbar^{-1} \int dx \, \bar{\psi}(x) \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta + V(x) \right] \psi(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(\bar{\psi}, \psi) &= \frac{\hbar^{-1}}{2} \iint dx dy \, |\psi(x)|^2 \phi(x-y) |\psi(y)|^2 \\ &= \frac{\hbar^{-1}}{2} A(\phi^{(2)}), \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi^{(2)}(x_1, x_2; y_1, y_2) = \phi(x_1 - y_1) \delta(x_2 - y_1) \delta(y_2 - x_2),$$

$$\|\phi^{(2)}\|_{op.} = \|\phi\|_\infty.$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{0,N} + \hat{V}_N \quad (\text{quant. of } \mathcal{H}_\hbar)$$

Lemma.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{0,N}} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{0,N}} \\
 &= \hat{A}_N \left( \underbrace{e^{itH_0^{(p)}/\hbar} a^{(p)} e^{-itH_0^{(p)}/\hbar}}_{=: a_t^{(p)}} \right) \\
 &= \left( A(a^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_0^t \right)_N^\wedge \\
 &\|a_t^{(p)}\| = \|a^{(p)}\|
 \end{aligned}$$

Time evol. in interaction pic

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N} \\
 &= \hat{A}_N(a_t^{(p)}) + \int_0^t ds e^{isN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N} e^{-isN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{0,N}} \\
 &\quad \times \frac{iN}{2\hbar} [\hat{A}_N(\phi_s^{(2)}), \hat{A}_N(a_t^{(p)})] \\
 &\quad \times e^{isN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{0,N}} e^{-isN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Iterate  $\rightarrow$  Schwinger-Dyson ser  
conv. on  $\mathcal{F}^{\leq n}$ ,  $\forall n < \infty$ ,  $\forall t$ .

Note:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{iN}{2\hbar} [\hat{A}_N(\phi_s^{(2)}), \hat{A}_N(a_t^{(p)})] \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^2 \binom{p}{\ell} \binom{2}{\ell} \frac{i\ell}{2\hbar N^{\ell-1}} \hat{A}_N([\phi_s^{(2)}]_{\ell} a_t^{(p)}), \end{aligned}$$

$\ell = 1$ : tree terms

$\ell = 2$ : loop terms,  $\propto \frac{1}{N}!$

When a loop term is gen. in  
iteration of  $\#$ : stop expan-  
ding & estimate it, using  
unitarity of  $e^{\pm i s N \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{(0), N}!}$

This yields:

$$e^{itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itN\hat{\mathcal{H}}_N} \\ = \hat{T}_N(a^{(p)}, t) + \hat{L}_N(a^{(p)}, t),$$

with

$$\hat{T}_N(a^{(p)}, t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{i}{\hbar}\right)^k \binom{p+k-1}{p-1} k! \times \\ \times \int_0^t dt_1 \cdots \int_0^{t_{k-1}} dt_k \hat{A}_N \left( \left[ \phi_{t_k}^{(2)} \frac{1}{1} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left[ \phi_{t_{k-1}}^{(2)} \frac{1}{1} \cdots \left[ \phi_{t_1}^{(2)} \frac{1}{1} a_t^{(p)} \right] \cdots \right] \right] \right) *$$

$\hat{L}_N(a^{(p)}, t)$ : similar sum of

terms, but with 1 loop  $\propto \frac{1}{N}$

Easy to show: On  $\mathcal{F}^{\leq pN}$ ,  
series for  $\hat{T}_N, \hat{L}_N$  converge

in norm if

$$|t| \leq \frac{1}{4v\|\phi\|_\infty},$$

independently of  $p$ !

Now, compare  $\hat{T}_N(a^{(p)}, t)$  with classical time evolution, in interaction picture:

From  $*$   $\Rightarrow$

$$\hat{T}_N(a^{(p)}, t) = \left( A(a^{(p)}) - \underline{\Phi}^t \right)_N^{\wedge}$$

$$\text{on } \mathcal{F}^{\leq vN}, \quad |t| \leq \frac{1}{4v\|\phi\|_\infty}.$$

Arbitrary  $t$ : Iterate exp., using indep. of  $p$  & unit.!

### 3. Newtonian point particles as "solitons" of cont. theories

Consider, e.g., Hartree Eq. as  
q.t. model of cont. medium:

$$i\hbar \partial_t \psi_t(x) = (T + V(x)) \psi_t(x) - g(|\psi_t|^2 * \phi)(x) \psi_t(x) \quad (5)$$

$$T = -\frac{\hbar^2 \Delta}{2m}, \sqrt{-\hbar^2 \Delta + m^2}, \dots$$

$V$ : e.g., grav. pot. of central  
"star",  $\|V\|_\infty < \infty$ .

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{|x|}, \frac{e^{-\mu/|x|}}{|x|}, \dots$$

$$\|\psi_t\|_2^2 =: \mathcal{V} = O(1), g > 0.$$

(Model of a "Boson star".)



Hamilton functional:

$$\mathcal{H}(\bar{\psi}, \psi; \varepsilon) = \int dx \left\{ \bar{\psi}(x) (T\psi)(x) + [V(\varepsilon x) - g \int dy |\psi(y)|^2 \phi(y-x)] |\psi(x)|^2 \right\}$$

Conservation laws:

- $\mathcal{N}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) := \int |\psi(x)|^2 dx \leftrightarrow \text{gauge inv.}$

For  $\varepsilon = 0$ ,

- $\mathcal{P}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) := -i\hbar \int (\bar{\psi} \nabla \psi)(x) dx \leftrightarrow \text{translation inv.}$

Consider "energy funct."

$$\mathcal{E}_v(\psi) := \mathcal{H}(\bar{\psi}, \psi; \varepsilon=0) + v \cdot \mathcal{P}(\bar{\psi}, \psi)$$

$v \in \mathbb{R}^3$ : C-of-M velocity.

(For pseudo-relat. T,  $|v| < 1$ )

Var. problem: Construct minimizer,  $\varphi_{v,\mu}$ , for  $E_v$ , with  $\|\varphi_{v,\mu}\|_2^2 = v(\mu)$ .

Solves eq.

$$T\varphi_{v,\mu} + iv \cdot \nabla \varphi_{v,\mu} -$$

$$g(|\varphi_{v,\mu}|^2 * \phi) \varphi_{v,\mu} + \mu \varphi_{v,\mu} = 0$$

(Subaddit. + concentr. - comp.)

Then

$$(6) \quad \psi_t(x) := e^{i\theta(t)} \varphi_{v,\mu}(x - q - vt)$$

solves Hartree eq. (5):

solitary wave sol.

describes giant "molecule,"

e.g., a "Boson star", of bound matter travelling inertially w. velocity  $v$ .

(For  $T = -\frac{\hbar^2 \Delta}{2m}$ ,  $\varphi_v$  obtained from  $\varphi_0$  by Galilei boost.)

Solu. (6) of (5) depends on 8 parameters:

$$\xi := (q, v, \mu, \theta) \in S \subset \mathbb{R}^8.$$

$\xi$ : coords. of point in 8-dim. surface in  $\Gamma = H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .

$$\mathcal{M}_S := \left\{ \varphi_{v,\mu}(\cdot - q) \mid \varphi_{v,\mu}(0) = e^{i\theta}, \right. \\ \left. \|\varphi_{v,\mu}\|_2^2 = v(\mu) \right\}$$

"soliton manifold"

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$\omega|_{\mathcal{M}_s}$  : non-degenerate

Let  $\psi_t$  be solu. of (5) for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , w.  $\text{dist}(\psi_0, \mathcal{M}_s) < O(\varepsilon)$

Let  $\varphi_{\xi_t}$  be "skew-orth."  
proj. of  $\psi_t$  onto  $\mathcal{M}_s$

Theorem. For  $|t| < O(\varepsilon^{-1} \dots)$ ,

$$\text{dist}(\psi_t, \mathcal{M}_s) \sim O(\varepsilon) \Rightarrow$$

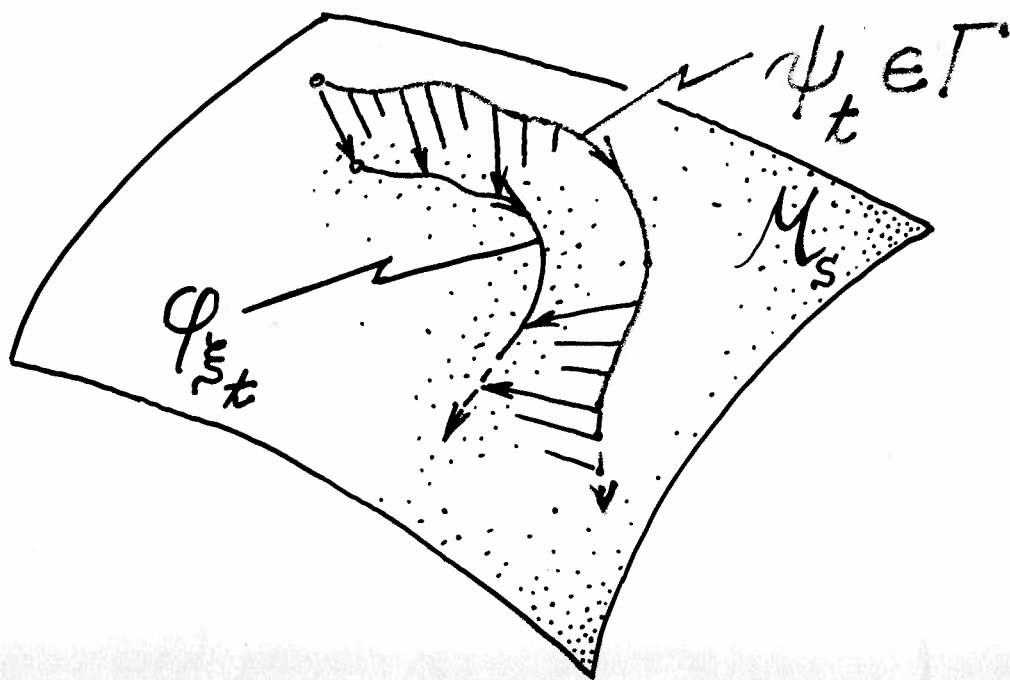
$\varphi_{\xi_t}$  well def. & unique;

(N)

$$\dot{q}_t = v_t + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

$$\gamma \dot{v}_t = -\varepsilon (\nabla V)(\varepsilon q_t) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$

$$\dot{\mu} = O(\varepsilon^2), \quad \dot{\Theta} = \mu - V(\varepsilon q) + O(\varepsilon^2)$$



Interpretation: In an ext. pot  $V(\varepsilon \cdot)$ , center of mass,  $q_t$ , of "molecule" in state  $\psi_t$  is solution of Newton's eqs. of motion for point particle in pot.  $V(\varepsilon \cdot)$  with friction force  $\sim \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$

↓  
structure formation  
( $\nearrow$  e.g. T. Tao)

## Further results.

- (1) Motion of several interacting solitons (J.F.; A-S, F, S)
  - (2) Asy. stability & scattering (R, S, S; G.P.; E.L.)
  - (3) Ext. to Hartree-Fock & BHF  $\rightarrow$   
     dynamical approach to Chandrasekhar limit for white dwarfs;  
     ? BCS pairing of neutrons in groundstate of neutron star; ...
- 2-body problem: Krieger, Martel, Raphaël

# Technicalities

## 1. Intuition conc. M-F-L

$$H^{(n)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \left[ -\Delta_j + V(x_j) \right] + \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{i \neq j} \phi(x_i - x_j)$$

on  $\mathcal{H}^{(n)} = P_+ L^2(\mathbb{R}^3, d^3x)^{\otimes n}$ ;

$P_+$  : symmetrization (bosons!)

Schrödinger Eq.:

$$i \dot{\Psi}_t^{(n)} = H^{(n)} \Psi_t^{(n)}$$

solved by

$$\Psi_t^{(n)} = e^{-itH^{(n)}} \Psi^{(n)},$$

$\Psi^{(n)} \in \mathcal{H}^{(n)}$ . If

$$\Psi^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{j=1}^n \psi(x_j) \quad (1)$$

expect that

$$\Psi_t^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{j=1}^n \psi_t(x_j),$$

where  $\psi_t$  solves HE

$$i\dot{\psi}_t(x) = (-\Delta + V(x))\psi_t(x) + v \int d^3y |\psi_t(y)|^2 \phi(y-x) \psi_t(x),$$

with  $v = \frac{n}{N}$ . (2)

"Pot. felt by one part.  $\approx$  average pot. generated by particle density".

Goal: Get rid of special initial condition (1).



## 2. History

1969 - Egorov (can. trsf. of  
pseudodiff. ops., ...)

1974 - Hepp (coherent states,  
following Schrödinger)

1977 - Braun & Hepp, Neunzert  
(Vlasov)

1979 - Ginibre & Velo (Hepp  
for  $t \rightarrow \infty$ )

1981 - Narnhofer & Sewell  
(Vlasov "for fermions")

1998 - 2009 - J.F. et al. ( $\rightarrow$ )  
Yau et al.

2009/10 - Pickl

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Egorov: "Time evolution & quantization commute in semi-classical limit."

$$\Gamma = T^*M, \mathcal{A} = C^\infty(\Gamma), \mathcal{H},$$

$\Phi_t$ : flow on  $\Gamma$  gen. by  $\mathcal{H}$ .

$$(\cdot)_{\hbar} : A \in \mathcal{A} \mapsto \hat{A}_{\hbar} \text{ on } L^2(M,$$

(Weyl quantization)

$$[\hat{A}_{\hbar}, \hat{B}_{\hbar}] = \frac{\hbar}{i} \{\hat{A}, \hat{B}\}_{\hbar} + O(\hbar^2)$$

$$(\hat{A} \circ \Phi_t)_{\hbar} = e^{it\hat{H}_{\hbar}} \hat{A}_{\hbar} e^{-it\hat{H}_{\hbar}}$$

$$+ o_{\hbar}(1).$$

Hepp can be cast in this language!

In our model:  $\hbar = \frac{1}{N}$ , <sup>E</sup>

$$\Gamma = \mathcal{H}^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \text{ (Sobolev)}.$$

many-body (bosons)  $\xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty}$

Hartree Eq.

### 3. Notation & framework

$\Gamma = \mathcal{H}^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$  w. complex coos

$$\psi, \bar{\psi}; \{\psi^\#, \psi^\#\} = 0,$$

$$\{\psi(x), \bar{\psi}(y)\} = i\delta(x-y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) &= \int d^3x \bar{\psi}(x) \underbrace{[-\Delta + V]}_{\equiv \hbar} \psi(x) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int d^3x \int d^3y |\psi(x)|^2 \phi(x-y) |\psi(y)| \end{aligned}$$

HE becomes

$$\dot{\psi}_t(x) = \{ \mathcal{H}, \psi_t(x) \}$$

(e.g., Lenzmann)  $\longrightarrow$  can. flow  $\Phi_t$ .

### Conservation laws

- $\mathcal{H}(\bar{\psi}_t, \psi_t) = \mathcal{H}(\bar{\psi}, \psi)$  ;
- $\mathcal{N}(\bar{\psi}_t, \psi_t) = \mathcal{N}(\bar{\psi}, \psi)$ ,

where  $\mathcal{N}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) = \|\psi\|_2^2$

$\rightarrow$  Flow  $\Phi_t$  leaves

$$\Gamma_v := \{(\bar{\psi}, \psi) \in \Gamma \mid \mathcal{N}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) = v\}$$

invariant.

## "Observables"

$$A(a^{(p)}) := \int \prod_1^p \bar{\psi}(x_j) d^3x_j \int \prod_1^p \psi(y_j) d^3y_j \\ \times a^{(p)}(x_1, \dots, x_p; y_1, \dots, y_p),$$

$$a^{(p)} \in B(\mathcal{H}^{(p)}).$$

Time evolution:

$A(a^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_t$  obtained by

$$\psi \mapsto \psi_t, \bar{\psi} \mapsto \bar{\psi}_t \text{ in } A(a^{(p)}).$$

## Quantization

$$\psi(x) \mapsto \hat{\psi}_N(x), \bar{\psi}(x) \mapsto \hat{\psi}_N^*(x),$$

with CCR (Heisenberg, Dirac)

$$[\hat{\psi}_N^\#(x), \hat{\psi}_N^\#(y)] = 0,$$

$$[\hat{\psi}_N(x), \hat{\psi}_N^*(y)] = \frac{1}{N} \delta(x-y)$$

Fock space  $\mathcal{F} := \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^{(n)}$ ,  $\mathcal{H}$

$$\mathcal{H}^{(0)} = \mathbb{C}\Omega, \quad \Omega: \text{vacuum},$$

$$\psi_N(x)\Omega \equiv 0.$$

$$\mathcal{H}^{(n)} \ni \Phi^{(n)} = \frac{N^{n/2}}{\sqrt{n!}} \int \varphi^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \times \prod_{j=1}^n \hat{\psi}_N^*(x_j) d^3x_j \Omega$$

$$\hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) := \int \prod_{j=1}^p \hat{\psi}_N^*(x_j) d^3x_j \times$$

$$\int \prod_{j=1}^p \psi_N(y_j) d^3y_j a^{(p)}(x_1, \dots, x_p; y_1, \dots, y_p)$$

Hamilton operator

$$\begin{aligned} H_N &= N \hat{\mathcal{H}}_N = N \left( \underbrace{\hat{A}_N(\hbar)}_{H_N^0} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\hat{A}_N(\phi)}_{W_N} \right) \\ &= \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^{(n)}. \end{aligned}$$

# Quantum time evolution <sup>I</sup>

$$\hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) \mapsto e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N}$$

## 4. Goal

If  $V, \phi \in L^\infty + L^3_{\text{weak}}$ ,

(e.g. Coulomb pot.), and

for arb.  $\nu$ ,  $0 < \nu < \infty$ ,

arb.  $a^{(p)} \in B(\mathcal{H}^{(p)})$ ,  $p = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ,

$$e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}^{\leq \nu N}}$$

$$= \widehat{(A(a^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_{\tau_N})} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}^{\leq \nu N}} + o_N(1), \quad (3)$$

where  $\mathcal{F}^{\leq \nu N} = \bigoplus_{n=0}^{[\nu N]} \mathcal{H}^{(n)}$ .

Moreover, for

$$\Phi^{(n)}(\varphi) := \frac{N^{n/2}}{\sqrt{n!}} (\hat{\psi}_N^*(\varphi))^n \Omega,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \Phi^{([\nu N])}(\varphi), e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N} \Phi^{([\nu N])}(\varphi) \rangle \\ &= \langle \Phi^{([\nu N])}(\varphi_t), \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) \Phi^{([\nu N])}(\varphi_t) \rangle \\ & \quad + o_N(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int \prod_1^p \bar{\psi}_t(x_j) dx_j \int \prod_1^p \psi_t(y_j) dy_j \\ & \quad a^{(p)}(x_1, \dots, x_p; y_1, \dots, y_p) + o_N(1) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varphi_t = \frac{\psi_t}{\sqrt{\nu}}$  and  $\psi_t \in \Gamma_\nu^{(4)}$  is a solution of HE.

Note that (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4).



## 5. Key ideas of proof

(i) Schwinger-Dyson exp.  
of  $e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N}$ .

(ii) "Kato smoothing" plus  
combinatorial estimates

$\Rightarrow$  S-D exp. conv. on  $\mathcal{F}^{\leq 2N}$   
for  $|t|$  small enough,  
indep. of  $p$ , unif. in  $N$   
 $l$ -loop terms  $\propto N^{-l}$ ;  
( $l=0$ : "tree terms")

(iii) "Kato smoothing" plus  
comb. estimates  $\Rightarrow$

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iterative solu. of  $HE$   
 converges, for small  $|t|$   
 $\rightarrow$  ex. of flow  $\Phi_t$  on  $\Gamma_v$ ,  
 for small  $|t|$ , dep. on  $v$ ,  
 $\rightarrow$  for all  $|t|$ , using cons  
 laws.

$$(iv) \widehat{(A(\alpha^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_t)_N}$$

$$= \text{Sum tree } (l=0) \text{ term}$$

$$\text{in (ii), for } |t| \text{ small}$$

(v) Extend (ii), (iii) to arb.  $|t|$ ,  
 using unitarity, cons.  
 laws, indep. of conv. in  
 (ii), (iii) of p.

## 6. Algebra of observables

$$\mathcal{A} := \{A(a^{(p)}) \mid a^{(p)} \in B(\mathcal{H}^{(p)}), p \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

pointwise mult.

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}} := \{\hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) \mid a^{(p)} \in B(\mathcal{H}^{(p)}), p \in \mathbb{N}\},$$

ops. def. on  $\mathcal{F}^{\text{fin.}}$ , operator mult.

$$(i) \quad \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)})^* = \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)*}) \\ = \widehat{(A(a^{(p)}))}_N$$

$$(ii) \quad \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) \hat{A}_N(b^{(q)}) \\ = \sum_{r=0}^{p \wedge q} \binom{p}{r} \binom{q}{r} \frac{r!}{N^r} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)} \frac{r}{r} b^{(q)}) \\ = \underbrace{(A(a^{(p)}) A(b^{(q)}))}_N + O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \\ \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)} \otimes b^{(q)}),$$

where

$$a^{(p)} \underset{r}{-} b^{(q)} = P_+ (a^{(p)} \otimes 1^{(q-r)}) \times$$

$$(1^{(p-r)} \otimes b^{(q)}) P_+ \in B(\mathcal{H}^{(p+q-r)}).$$

$$(iii) \quad \Gamma(u^{-1}) \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) \Gamma(u)$$

$$= \hat{A}_N((u^{-1})^{\otimes p} a^{(p)} u^{\otimes p}),$$

in Segal's notations.

$$(iv) \quad \|\hat{A}_N(a^{(p)})|_{f \leq n}\| \leq \left(\frac{n}{N}\right)^p \|a^{(p)}\|$$

### Notation

$$[a^{(p)}, b^{(q)}]_r := a^{(p)} \underset{r}{-} b^{(q)} - b^{(q)} \underset{r}{-} a^{(p)}$$

$$(v) \quad [\hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}), \hat{A}_N(b^{(q)})]$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{p \wedge q} \binom{p}{r} \binom{q}{r} \frac{r!}{N^r} \hat{A}_N([a^{(p)}, b^{(q)}]_r)$$

Note that (iii)  $\Rightarrow$

Lemma.

$$e^{itH_N^0} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N^0}$$

$$= \hat{A}_N(a_t^{(p)}), \text{ where}$$

$$a_t^{(p)} = (e^{it\hbar})^{\otimes p} a^{(p)} (e^{-it\hbar})^{\otimes p}$$

In the following,

$$W_{N,t} := e^{itH_N^0} W_N e^{-itH_N^0}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Lemma}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \hat{A}_N \left( (e^{it\hbar})^{\otimes 2} \phi (e^{-it\hbar})^{\otimes 2} \right)$$

↑  
center-of-mass motion  
drops out!

"Kato smoothing":

$$\int \|\phi_t \psi\|^2 dt \leq \pi \|\psi\|^2$$

## 7. Schwinger-Dyson exp.

First assume,  $V, \phi$  bounded

$$e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N}$$

$$= e^{istH_N} e^{-istH_N^0} \hat{A}_N(a_t^{(p)}) e^{istH_N^0} e^{-istH_N} \quad \text{S=1}$$

$$= \hat{A}_N(a_t^{(p)}) + \int_0^t dt_1 e^{it_1 H_N} e^{-it_1 H_N^0} \times$$

$$iN[W_{N,t_1}, \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)})] e^{it_1 H_N^0} e^{-it_1 H_N} \quad (5)$$

on  $\mathcal{F}^{\text{fin.}}$ . Iterate (5)  $\rightarrow$

$$e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Delta^k(t)} dt (iN)^k [W_{N,t_k}, \dots,$$

$$\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{simplex}}}{[W_{N,t_1}, \hat{A}_N(a_t^{(p)})] \dots]}$$

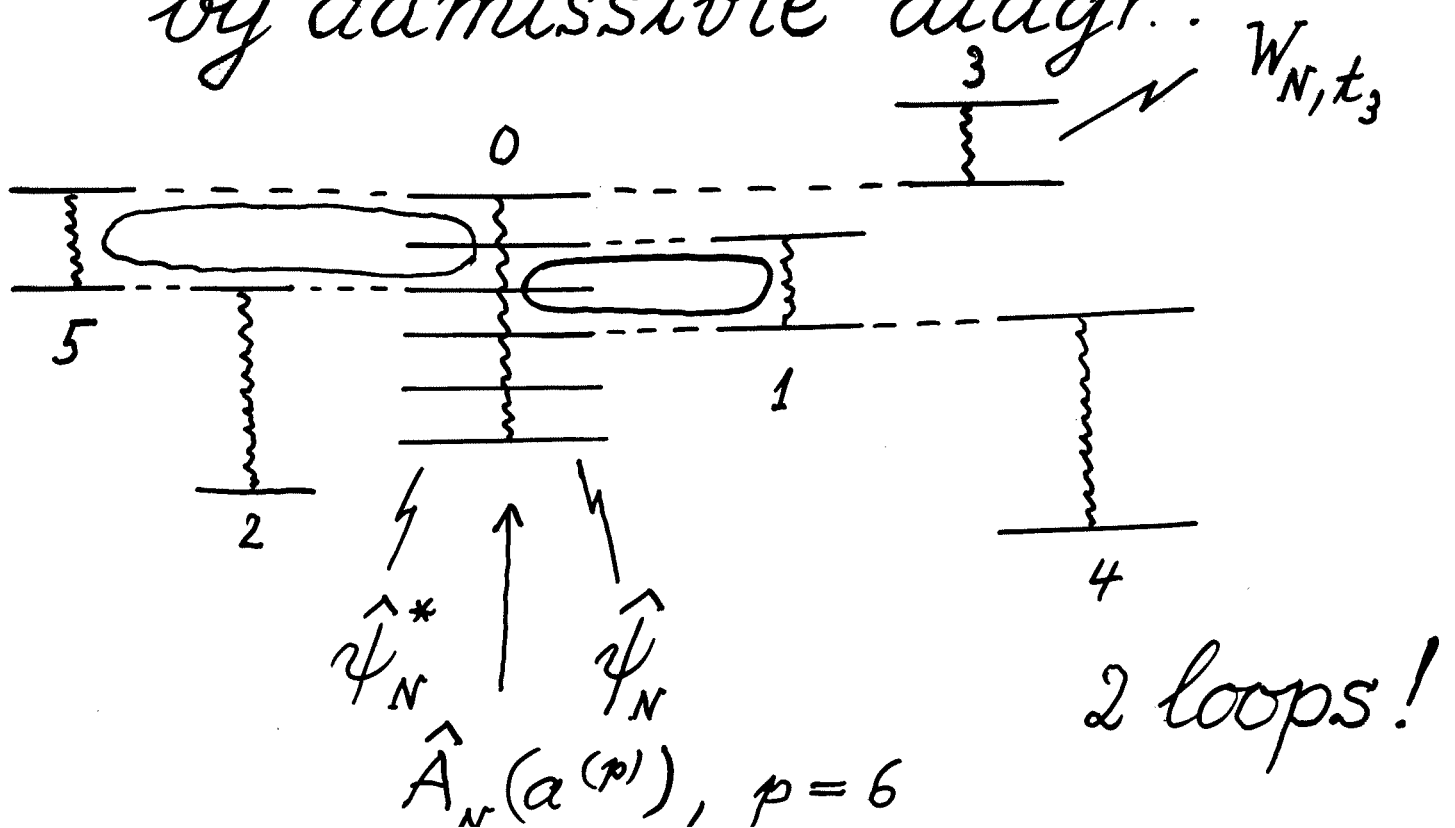
conv. like

$$\sum_k \frac{(|t|n^2 \|\phi\|_\infty N^{-1})^k}{k!} \left(\frac{n}{N}\right)^p \|a^{(p)}\| \quad \mathcal{Q}$$

on  $\mathcal{H}^{(n)} \rightarrow$  inadequate to study M-F-L,  $n = \nu N$ ,  $N \rightarrow \infty$ .

Use that multiple commutators only yield "connected terms" (because  $[a^{(p)}, b^{(q)}]_{r=0} = 0$ ).

These terms can be labelled by "admissible" diagr.:



Next

$$(iN)^k [W_{N,t_k}, \dots, [W_{N,t_1}, \hat{A}_N(a_{\underline{t}}^{(p)})] \dots]$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^k \frac{1}{N^l} \hat{A}_N(G_{\underline{t}, \underline{t}}^{(k,l)}(a^{(p)})),$$

where

$$G_{\underline{t}, \underline{t}}^{(k,l)}(a^{(p)}) = i(p+k-l-1) [\phi_{t_k}, G_{\underline{t}, \underline{t}}^{(k-1,l)}(a^{(p)})]_1$$

$$+ i \binom{p+k-l}{2} [\phi_{t_k}, G_{\underline{t}, \underline{t}}^{(k-1,l-1)}(a^{(p)})]_2 \quad (6)$$

$$\underline{t} := \{t_1, \dots, t_{k(-1)}\}; \quad G_{\underline{t}}^{(0,0)}(a^{(p)}) := a_{\underline{t}}^{(p)}.$$

"Adm.", connected diagr,  $G$ ,  $\leftrightarrow$

"elementary" contributions

to  $G_{\underline{t}, \underline{t}}^{(k,l)}$ ;  $k, l = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ,

with  $l \leq k$ ,  $p+k-l \leq \text{particle number}$ .



8. Convergence of S-D exp.  
on  $\mathcal{F}^{\leq \nu N}$ , unif. in  $N$

$G_{t, \underline{t}}^{(k, l)}(a^{(p)})$  is a  $(p+k-l)$ -  
 particle kernel  $\leftrightarrow$  op. on  
 $\mathcal{H}^{(p+k-l)}$ , with (see (6)!)
 
$$\|G_{t, \underline{t}}^{(k, l)}(a^{(p)})\| \leq 2^k \binom{k}{l} (p+k-l)^l \times$$

$$\times (p+k-1) \cdots p \|\phi\|^k \|a^{(p)}\|$$

(crude combinatorial estimate,

Lemma.  $0 < \nu < \infty$ ,  $|t| < (8\nu \|\phi\|)^{-1}$

Then S-D exp. on  $\mathcal{F}^{\leq \nu N}$

converges in norm, uniform-  
 ly in  $N$ .

Proof. Recall that  $p+k-l \leq [vN]$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^k \frac{1}{N^l} \int_{\Delta^k(t)} d\underline{t} \left\| \hat{A}_N(G_{t,\underline{t}}^{(k,l)}(a^{(p)})) \right\|_{\mathcal{F} \leq vN}^T \quad (7.)$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^k \underbrace{\frac{(p+k-l)^l}{N^l} \chi_{\{p+k-l \leq [vN]\}}}_{\leq v^l \chi_{\{\dots\}}} \frac{1}{k!} \times$$

$$\times (2\|\phi\||t|)^k \binom{k}{l} \underbrace{(p+k-1) \dots p}_{= \binom{p+k-1}{k} k!} v^{p+k-l} \|a^{(p)}\|$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (8v\|\phi\||t|)^k (2v)^p \|a^{(p)}\|,$$

for all  $N \geq 1$ .  $\blacksquare$

Corollary.

$$e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N} \Big|_{\mathcal{F} \leq vN}$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{N^l} \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} \int_{\Delta^k(\underline{t})} d\underline{t} \hat{A}_N(G_{\underline{t}, \underline{t}}^{(k,l)}(a^{(p)})) \Big|_{\mathcal{F}^{\leq}}^U$$

converges in norm, for  
 $|t| < (8\nu \|\phi\|)^{-1}$  and all suff.

large  $N$  (dep. on  $|t|, p$ ).

Extension to arbitrary  $t$

Given  $t$ , choose  $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

s.t.  $|\frac{t}{m}| \leq (16\nu \|\phi\|)^{-1}$ .

$$e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N}$$

$$= e^{i(t - \frac{t}{m})H_N} \left( e^{i\frac{t}{m}H_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-i\frac{t}{m}H_N} \right)$$

$$= e^{i(t - \frac{t}{m})H_N} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{K_1} \sum_{l=0}^k \int_{\Delta_k(\frac{t}{m})} d\underline{t} \frac{1}{N^l} \times \right. \quad (8)$$

$$\left. \hat{A}_N(G_{\frac{t}{m}, t}^{(k,l)}(a^{(p)})) \right) e^{-i(t - \frac{t}{m})H_N} + \mathcal{E}_N(K)$$

Using unitarity,

$$\|\mathcal{E}_N(K_1)|_{\mathcal{F} \leq \nu N}\| \leq C_p \delta^{K_1}, \quad \delta < 1.$$

Since radius of conv. of S-D exp. is indep. of  $p$ , may iterate (8); truncate again, etc.

### Corollary

$$e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N} |_{\mathcal{F} \leq \nu N}$$

= (truncated) sum over  
"tree terms" +  $\sigma_N(1)$

$$= \widehat{(A(a^{(p)}) \circ \Phi_t)}_N |_{\mathcal{F} \leq \nu N} + \sigma_N(1)$$

↑  
iterative solu. of Hartree Eq.

# 9. Convergence for Coulomb<sup>W</sup> potentials.

Idea: Use "Kato smoothing",

$$\int \| |x|_{\varepsilon}^{-1} e^{it\Delta} \psi \|^2 dt \leq \pi \|\psi\|^2,$$

$$\forall \varepsilon, \text{ where } |x|_{\varepsilon}^{-1} = \begin{cases} |x|^{-1}, & |x| \geq \varepsilon \\ \varepsilon^{-1}, & \text{elsew.} \end{cases}$$

We set  $\phi_{\varepsilon}(x) := \kappa |x|_{\varepsilon}^{-1}$  (2-body  
pot.) Then

$$\int \|\phi_{\varepsilon}(x_k - x_l) e^{it(\sum_j \Delta_j)} \Phi^{(n)}\|^2 dt$$

$$\leq \frac{\pi \kappa^2}{2} \|\Phi^{(n)}\|^2, \quad \forall \varepsilon.$$

Pf. W.l.o.g., set  $k=1, l=2$ , &

use c-o-m coords.,  $X = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}$ ,

$\xi = x_1 - x_2$ . Then

$$\Delta_1 + \Delta_2 = \frac{1}{2} \Delta_X + 2\Delta_\xi, [\Delta_X, \phi_\xi(\xi)] = 0.$$

Using unitarity, we find that

$$\int dt \|\phi_\xi(\xi) e^{it(\sum_j \Delta_j)} \Phi^{(n)}\|^2$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Fub.}}{=} \int d^3 X \prod_3^n d^3 x_j \int dt d^3 \xi |\phi_\xi(\xi) e^{2it\Delta_{\frac{\xi}{2}X}} \times \Phi^{(n)}(X + \frac{\xi}{2}, X - \frac{\xi}{2}, \dots)|^2$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Ksm.}}{\leq} \frac{\pi \kappa^2}{2} \|\Phi^{(n)}\|^2.$$

Cauchy-Schwarz  $\Rightarrow$

$$\int_0^t ds \|\phi_\xi(\xi) e^{-is(\sum_j \Delta_j)} \Phi^{(n)}\|$$

$$\leq \left( \frac{\pi \kappa^2 t}{2} \right)^{1/2} \|\Phi^{(n)}\| \quad (9)$$

Apply this iteratively to

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bound terms in (7), using unitarity, and:

$$(i) \quad G_{t, \underline{t}}^{(kl)}(a^{(p)}) = \sum_{\text{adm. } G_{k,l}} G_{t, \underline{t}}^{G_{k,l}}(a^{(p)})$$

(ii) For  $\pi \in \mathcal{P}_k$ ,  $G_{k,l}$  a diagr. (as above) of order  $k$  w.  $l$  loops,  $G_{k,l}^\pi$  obtained from  $G_{k,l}$  by applying  $\pi$  to time-ordering of vertices.

(iii)  $G_{k,l}$  admissible  $\Rightarrow$   
 $G_{k,l}^\pi$  admissible;  
 but true, e.g., for  $l=0$

(and, dep. on  $l$ , for  $\pi$  in "large" subgroups of  $\mathcal{X}_k$ ).

(iv)  $G_1 \sim G_2$  iff  $G_1 = G_2^\pi$ , for some permutation  $\pi$ ; (equiv classes denoted by  $[G]$ ).

Then we find that

$$\int_{\Delta_k(t)} d\underline{t} \|G_{t,\underline{t}}^{(k,l)}(a^{(p)}) \Phi^{(n)}\|$$

$$\leq \sum_{\text{adm. } G_{k,l}} \int_{\Delta_k(t)} d\underline{t} \|G_{t,\underline{t}}^{G_{k,l}}(a^{(p)}) \Phi^{(n)}\|$$

$$\leq \sum_{\pi \in \mathcal{X}_k} \sum_{\substack{[G_{k,l}] \\ G_{k,l} \text{ adm.}}} \int_{\Delta_k(t)} d\underline{t} \|G_{t,\underline{t}}^{G_{k,l}^\pi}(a^{(p)}) \Phi^{(n)}\|$$



$$= \sum_{\substack{[G_{k,l}] \\ G_{k,l} \text{ adm.}}} \int_0^t dt_1 \cdots \int_0^t dt_k \| G_{t, \underline{t}}^{G_{k,l}}(a^{(p)}) \Phi^{(n)} \|^{A^1}$$

$$\stackrel{(9)}{\leq} |\{[G_{k,l}] | G_{k,l} \text{ adm.}\}| \left( \frac{\pi \kappa^2 |t|}{2} \right)^{k/2} \times \|a^{(p)}\| \|\Phi^{(n)}\| \quad (10)$$

A fairly well known combi. estimate is

$$|\{[G_{k,l}] | G_{k,l} \text{ adm.}\}| \leq 2^k \binom{k}{l} \binom{2p+3k}{k} \times \underbrace{(p+k-l)^l}_{\leq n_{\max.}} = [vN] \quad (11)$$

(10) & (11) yield

Theorem. For  $\phi_\varepsilon(x) = x|x|_\varepsilon^{-1} B^1$ ,  
 $\varepsilon \geq 0$ , and  $|t|$  small enough,  
 [indep. of  $\varepsilon$  &  $p$ !],

$$e^{itH_N} \hat{A}_N(a^{(p)}) e^{-itH_N} \Big|_{\mathcal{F} \leq 2N}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^k \frac{1}{N^l} \int_{\Delta_k(t)} d\underline{t} \hat{A}_N(G_{\underline{t}, \underline{t}}^{(k,l)}(a^{(p)})) \Big|_{\mathcal{F} \leq 2N}$$

converges in norm, unif. in  
 $N \geq 1$ .

Extension to arb.  $|t|$ , &  
 convergence of pert. solu.  
 of HE on  $\Gamma_v$  ( $|t|$  small enough,  
 as before, using Ksm. (9).

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## 10. Sketch of Pickl's method

Instead of the Heisenberg-  
employ the Schrödinger  
picture.

$$i\dot{\Psi}_t^{(N)} = H_N \Psi_t^{(N)}$$

$$H_N = \sum_1^N (-\Delta_j + V_t(x_j)) + \underbrace{\sum_{i < j} \phi_N(x_i - x_j)}_{O(N^{-1})}$$

$$\Psi_0^{(N)} \simeq \prod_{j=1}^N \varphi(x_j)$$

Consider evolution of  $\varphi$   
according to HE :

$$i\dot{\varphi}_t = (-\Delta + V_t + \phi_{\varphi_t}) \varphi_t,$$

$$\phi_{\varphi_t}(x) := \int d^3y |\varphi_t(y)|^2 \phi(y-x)$$

$$\bar{H}_N^{\varphi_t} := \sum_j (-\Delta_j + V_t(x_j) + \phi_{\varphi_t}(x_j))$$

One-particle reduced density matrix:

$$\mu^{\Psi^{(N)}}(x, y) := \int \prod_{j=2}^N d^3 x_j \times$$

$$\times \Psi^{(N)}(x, x_2, \dots, x_N) \Psi^{(N)}(y, x_2, \dots, x_N)$$

For  $\varphi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , define  $p^\varphi := |\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi|$

$$q^\varphi := 1 - p^\varphi,$$

$$p_j^\varphi := \mathbb{1} \otimes \dots \otimes \underset{\uparrow}{p^\varphi} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{1},$$

$$q_j^\varphi := \mathbb{1}_N - \underset{j}{p_j^\varphi}$$

$$P_{N,k}^\varphi := \sum_{\substack{\underline{a}, \\ \sum_j a_j = k}} \prod_{\ell=1}^N (p_\ell^\varphi)^{1-a_\ell} (q_\ell^\varphi)^{a_\ell}$$

Then  $\sum_k P_{N,k}^\varphi = \mathbb{1}_N$ , and  $P_{N,0}^\varphi$  projects onto  $\prod_{j=1}^N \varphi(x_j)$ ;  $P_{N,k}^\varphi$  — " — — " — states, where  $k$  particles are in orbitals  $\perp \varphi$ .

Pick fu.  $n(\cdot) > 0$  on  $\{1, \dots, N\}$ , ( $0 < n(k) < 1$ , e.g.,  $n(k) = \frac{k}{N}$ ), and define

$\alpha_N^n(\Psi^{(N)}, \varphi) := \langle \Psi^{(N)}, P_N^\varphi(n) \Psi^{(N)} \rangle$ , where

$$P_N^\varphi(n) := \sum_{k=0}^N n(k) P_{N,k}^\varphi.$$

If  $n_0(k) = \frac{k}{N}$  then

$$P_N^\varphi(n_0) = N^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^N q_j^\varphi.$$

Next

$$(i) \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle \Psi^{(N)}, P_N^\varphi(n_0) \Psi^{(N)} \rangle = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow n\text{-}\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mu^{\Psi^{(N)}} = p^\varphi$$

$$(ii) \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle \Psi^{(N)}, P_N^\varphi(n_0) \Psi^{(N)} \rangle = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \langle \Psi^{(N)}, P_N^\varphi(n_0)^j \Psi^{(N)} \rangle = 0.$$

$$j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Key idea

$$\text{Control } \dot{\alpha}_N(t) \equiv \dot{\alpha}_N(\Psi_t^{(N)}, \varphi_t) =$$

$$= i \langle \Psi_t^{(N)}, [H_N - \bar{H}_N^{\varphi_t}, P_N^{\varphi_t}(n_0)] \Psi_t^{(N)} \rangle$$

by estimating R.S., with<sup>G</sup>  
 $\Psi_0^{(N)} = \prod_{j=1}^N \varphi(x_j)$ , hence

$$\alpha_N(0) \equiv \alpha_N(\Psi_0^{(N)}, \varphi) = 0.$$

Lemma.

$$|\dot{\alpha}_N(t)| \leq C_t \alpha_N(t) + O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right),$$

$$C_t \sim \text{const.} \cdot \|\phi\|_{2r} \cdot \|\varphi_t\|_{2s},$$

$$r \geq 1, \quad s = \frac{r}{r-1}.$$

Corollary.

$$\alpha_N(t) \leq e^{\int_0^t d\tau C_\tau} \alpha_N(0) + O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mu^{\Psi_t^{(N)}} = p^{\varphi_t}.$$

Note:  $C_t$  controlled by

properties of Hartree flow.

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Can be used to discuss

Gross-Pitaevskii limit!

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## 2 Die Entdeckung der Quantenmechanik – Heisenbergs Matrizenmechanik

In den Jahren 1923-1925 zeichnete sich immer mehr ab, dass eine Änderung der bisherigen Methoden in der Behandlung der Atomstruktur und der Spektrallinien unabdingbar war. Vor allem in den beiden Zentren Göttingen (Born) und Kopenhagen (Bohr) machte sich langsam Unbehagen über die fehlerhafte Beschreibung von Mehrkörpersystemen innerhalb der alten Quantentheorie breit.

Der Ausweg aus dieser misslichen Lage wurde von WERNER HEISENBERG, in seiner Arbeit *Über quantentheoretische Umdeutung kinematischer und mechanischer Beziehungen* [Hei25] gefunden. Heisenberg war 23 Jahre alt, als er die Arbeit schrieb.

### 2.1 Heisenbergs Umdeutung

In der Einleitung seiner Arbeit drückt Heisenberg die konzeptuellen Probleme der alten Quantentheorie folgendermassen aus:

Bekanntlich läßt sich gegen die formalen Regeln, die allgemein in der Quantentheorie zur Berechnung beobachtbarer Größen (z.B. der Energie im Wasserstoffatom) benutzt werden, der schwerwiegende Einwand erheben, daß jene Rechenregeln als wesentlichen Bestandteil Beziehungen enthalten zwischen Größen, die scheinbar prinzipiell nicht beobachtet werden können (wie z.B. Ort, Umlaufzeit des Elektrons), daß also jenen Regeln offenbar jedes anschauliche physikalische Fundament mangelt, wenn man nicht immer noch an der Hoffnung festhalten will, daß jene bis jetzt unbeobachtbare Größen später vielleicht experimentell zugänglich gemacht werden könnten.

Weiter spricht er die Bereiche an, in denen die alte Quantentheorie versagt (anomaler Zeeman-Effekt, Unmöglichkeit der Behandlung von Atomen mit mehreren Elektronen). Die Notwendigkeit einer neuen Quantentheorie – der Quantenmechanik – welche nicht mehr auf der alten Idee der quantenmechanisch erlaubten klassischen Bahnen basiert, wird deutlich:

[Es scheint] geratener, jene Hoffnung auf eine Beobachtung der bisher unbeobachtbaren Größen (wie Lage, Umlaufzeit des Elektrons) ganz aufzugeben, gleichzeitig also einzuräumen, daß die teilweise Übereinstimmung der genannten Quantenregeln mit der Erfahrung mehr oder weniger zufällig sei, und zu versuchen, eine der klassischen Mechanik analoge quantentheoretische Mechanik auszubilden, in welcher nur Beziehungen zwischen beobachtbaren Größen vorkommen.

Heisenberg liess sich in der Entwicklung seiner Theorie von folgenden Prinzipien leiten:

1. Es muss eine quantentheoretische Mechanik gefunden werden, in welcher nur Beziehungen zwischen beobachtbaren Größen vorkommen. Dies wurde schon von Born in [Bor24] in ähnlicher Weise verlangt.

→ Puzzling features of quantum mechanics originate in its combination with atomism.

# Quantum spins

$\mathbb{Z}^d \ni x \mapsto \vec{S}_x$ , quantum spin of spin  $s$

$$\hat{\vec{S}}_x := \frac{1}{s} \vec{S}_x$$

Hamiltonian (Heisenberg)

$$H = \vec{h} \cdot \sum_x \hat{\vec{S}}_x - \sum_{x,y} J(x-y) \hat{\vec{S}}_x \cdot \hat{\vec{S}}_y + \dots$$

$$\hat{\vec{S}}_x(t) := e^{i s t H} \hat{\vec{S}}_x e^{-i s t H}$$

Class. limit  $\sim$  large- $s$  limit

$$\hat{\vec{S}}_x \xrightarrow{s \rightarrow \infty} \vec{M}_x, \quad \hbar \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{s}$$

$\vec{M}_x \in S^2$  classical spin

$\vec{M}_x \xrightarrow{s} \hat{\vec{S}}_x$ : geom. quant.  
ordering prescription!

$$\{M_x^i, M_y^j\} = \delta_{xy} \varepsilon^{ijk} M_x^k$$

$$\leftrightarrow [\hat{S}_x^i, \hat{S}_y^j] = \frac{i}{s} \delta_{xy} \varepsilon^{ijk} \hat{S}_x^k$$

Result: If  $\hat{\phantom{x}}$  denotes quant.

$$\hat{\vec{S}}_x(t) = \left( \vec{M}_x(t) \right)^{\hat{\phantom{x}}} + \underbrace{\vec{E}_s}_{\rightarrow 0, \text{ as } s \rightarrow \infty},$$

where

$$\dot{\vec{M}}_x(t) = \vec{h} \wedge \vec{M}_x(t)$$

$$- \left( \sum_y J(x-y) \vec{M}_y(t) \right) \wedge \vec{M}_x(t),$$

Landau-Lifschitz Eq.

Is Hamiltonian Eq. of motion,

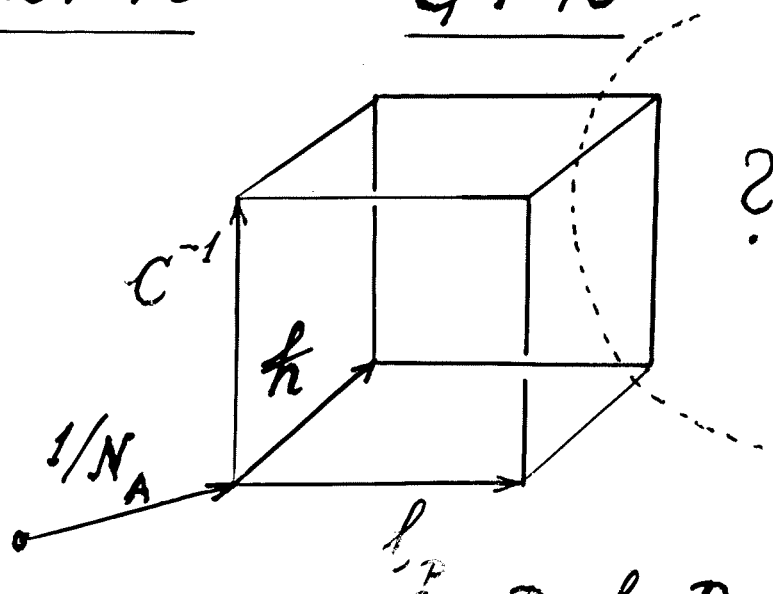
$$\mathcal{H} = \vec{h} \cdot \sum_x \vec{M}_x - \sum_{x,y} J(x-y) \vec{M}_x \cdot \vec{M}_y$$

# INTRODUCTION

3 stories - only 1.5 will be told

- Atomism as a deformation of cont. (field) theories of matter  $\longleftrightarrow$  mean-field limits
- Physics Bose/Fermi gases stellar dynamics & collapse, mean-field & Vlasov limit; th. of friction
- Mathematics non linear Hamiltonian evolution eqs, semi-classical analysis.

- Atomism  $\leftrightarrow$  Quantum Th.
- STR  $\rightarrow$  GTR



Planck-  
Einstein

### Def. Param

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \underline{\text{Pd. Atomism}} & \longleftrightarrow & \left. \begin{array}{l} 1/N_A \\ \hbar \end{array} \right\} \\
 \underline{\text{Rev.}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} QT \\ STR \\ GTR \end{array} \right. & \begin{array}{l} \longleftrightarrow \\ \longleftrightarrow \\ \longleftrightarrow \end{array} & \left. \begin{array}{l} c^{-1} \\ l_p \end{array} \right\} \\
 \underline{21^{st} Ct.} \quad ? & \longleftrightarrow & \alpha', g_{string}
 \end{array}$$

## ② Physics

- (i) Newtonian lim of quantum theory: Explain why point-particle mech. is viable
- (ii) Dissipative transport; origin of friction forces
- (iii) Th. of Bose gases (in traps); atom-beam lasers;
- (iv) Stellar dynamics & - collapse; neutron stars
- (v) radiation damping

### ③ Mathematics

Mean-field limit of (quantum many-body theory  $\rightarrow$

NL Hamiltonian evolution Eq:

Ex.:  $i\hbar \partial_t \vec{\psi} = \hat{H} \vec{\psi} - g(|\vec{\psi}|^2 * |x|^{-1}) \vec{\psi}$   
 $+ g \sum_j (\vec{\psi} \vec{\psi}^j * |x|^{-1}) \psi_t^j$   
HF Eq.

$$\vec{\psi} = \begin{pmatrix} \psi^1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi^N \end{pmatrix}, \quad \langle \psi^i, \psi^j \rangle = \delta^{ij},$$

$$\hat{H} \stackrel{\text{e.g.}}{=} \sqrt{-\Delta + m^2} + V(x)$$

Bosons:  $N=1 \dots$

Fermions:  $N = \# \text{ particles}$

Focussing NL ( $g > 0$ )  $\rightarrow$  solitons waves ( $\rightarrow$  Newtonian lim)

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"Hier<sup>1</sup> liegt der Schlüssel  
der Situation, der Schlüssel  
nicht nur zur Strahlungs-  
theorie, sondern auch zur  
molekularen<sup>2</sup> Konstitution  
der Materie ..."

A. Sommerfeld, in: "Das  
Plancksche Wirkungsqu. &  
seine allg. Bedeutung für  
die Molekularphysik"

<sup>1</sup> in quantum theory

<sup>2</sup>  $\approx$  atomistic (constitution)



# 1. Atomism & Quantization

"Interstellar dust": Class.  
cont. medium - states  
given by mass density

$$M \int f(x, p) dx dp$$

on  $\mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3$ , with

$$\int f(x, p) dx dp = \nu \quad (\text{\#moles})$$

Time-dependence given  
by Vlasov Equation

(A model of matter as a  
continuous medium)

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Hamilton op.  $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_V := : \mathcal{H}_V(a_N^*, a_N) :$

Schrödinger Eq.

$$i N \partial_t \Psi_t = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_V \Psi_t, \quad \Psi_t \in \mathcal{F}_V$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  Hamiltonian Eqs. of motion  
for symm.  $n$ -particle densities

$f_n = \bar{f}_n \cdot \varphi_n$ , on  $\Gamma^{(n)}$ , 2-body

potential  $\frac{1}{N} \phi$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Apparently, atomistic

Newtonian mech. of pt. part

= "quantization" of cont. th.

given by Vlasov

"classical lim of Newton"

## Hartree & Hartree-Fock:

Replace  $f(x,p) = \overline{\alpha(x,p)} \cdot \alpha(x,p)$  by

$$(2) f_{\hbar}(x,p) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int dy e^{-iyp} \overline{\psi(x - \frac{\hbar y}{2})} \psi(x + \frac{\hbar y}{2}),$$

$f_{\hbar}$  = Wigner trsf. of  $\psi$

Dynamics of  $\psi$

$$(3) i\hbar \partial_t \psi_t = \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta_x + V \right] \psi_t + [|\psi_t|^2 * \phi] \psi_t$$

Hartree Equation

If solu.  $\psi_t$  of (3) plugged into (2) then

$$\lim_{\hbar \downarrow 0} f_{\hbar,t}(x,p)$$

solves Vlasov Eq. (Na-Se)