Quantizing the electromagnetic field II

Hyeran Kong

Table of Contents

- Two flavors of quantum variables
- Physical Consequence of field quantization
 - Lamb shift, Quantum beat, Casimir(-Polder) effect
- Coherent state representation
- Optical equivalence Theorem

1. Discrete quantum variables $\hat{n} = \hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a}$ $[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^{\dagger}] = 1$

$$\hat{H} = \sum \hbar \omega (\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + 1/2)$$

Energy ; photon counting e.g. Single photon, Fock states ..

2. Continuous quantum variables \hat{P}, \hat{Q}

Phase and amplitude quadratures e.g. Squeezed state, Schrodinger cat state

$$\hat{P} = \hat{a}^{\dagger} + \hat{a} \\ \hat{Q} = i(\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \hat{a}) \qquad [\hat{Q}, \hat{P}] = 2i$$

Qua

Plane wave expansions in cube of volume L^3

$$A(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0^{1/2} L^{3/2}} \sum_{k_x, k_y, k_z} A_k(t) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}}$$

1. Discr

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Homogeneous wave equation from Maxwell eqn. } \nabla^2 A(\vec{r},t) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^2} A(\vec{r},t) = 0 \\ &A(\vec{r},t) = \frac{1}{2\epsilon_0^{1/2} L^{3/2}} \sum_k \sum_s [[q_{ks}(t) + \frac{i}{w} p_{ks}(t)] e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r}} + c.c] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{complex analytical signal} \\ &u_{ks}(t) = c_{ks} e^{-iwt} \\ &u_{ks}(t) = [u_{ks}(t) + u_{ks}^*(t)] \\ &\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \sum_s [\hat{p}_{ks}^2(t) + w^2 \hat{q}_{ks}^2(t)] \\ & P_{ks}(t) = -iw[u_{ks}(t) - u_{ks}^*(t)] \\ & P_{ks}(t) = -iw[u_{ks}(t) - u_{ks}^*(t)] \end{aligned}$$

Energy ; p e.g. Single

2. Cont

Phase and e.g. Squee

$$[\hat{q}_{ks}(t), \hat{p}_{k's'}(t)] = i\hbar \delta^3_{kk'} \delta_{ss'}$$

$$[\hat{q}_{ks}(t), \hat{q}_{k's'}(t)] = 0$$

$$[\hat{p}_{ks}(t), \hat{p}_{k's'}(t)] = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{a}_{ks}(t), \hat{a}_{k's'}^{\dagger}(t)] &= \delta_{kk'}^{3} \delta_{ss'} \\ [\hat{a}_{ks}(t), \hat{a}_{k's'}(t)] &= 0 \\ [\hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger}(t), \hat{a}_{k's'}^{\dagger}(t)] &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{a}_{ks}(t) = \frac{1}{(2\hbar w)^{1/2}} [w\hat{q}_{ks}(t) + i\hat{p}_{ks}(t)]$$

$$\hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger}(t) = \frac{1}{(2\hbar w)^{1/2}} [w\hat{q}_{ks}(t) - i\hat{p}_{ks}(t)]$$

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{k} \sum_{s} \hbar w_{k,s} (\hat{a}_{k,s}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{k,s} + 1/2)$$

$$\hat{n}_{ks}(t) = \hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{ks}$$

$$[\hat{a}_{ks}(t), \hat{n}_{k's'}(t)] = \hat{a}_{ks} \delta_{kk'}^{3} \delta_{ss'}$$

$\hat{n}_{ks}|n_{ks}\rangle = n_{ks}|n_{ks}\rangle$ eigenstate of operator \hat{n}_{ks} ua $[\hat{a}_{ks}(t), \hat{n}_{k's'}(t)] = \hat{a}_{ks}\delta^3_{kk'}\delta_{ss'}$ Using the commutation relation $\hat{n}_{ks}\hat{a}^{\dagger}_{ks}|n_{ks}\rangle = \hat{a}^{\dagger}_{ks}(\hat{n}_{ks}+1)|n_{ks}\rangle$ 1. Discr $\hat{n}_{ks}\hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger}|n_{ks}\rangle = (n_{ks}+1)\hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger}|n_{ks}\rangle$ eigenstate of \hat{n}_{ks} \therefore $\hat{a}^{\dagger}_{ks}|n_{ks}\rangle = g_{ks}|n_{ks}+1\rangle$ Energy ; p e.g. Single $\langle n_{ks} | \hat{a}_{ks} \hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger} | n_{ks} \rangle = |g_{ks}|^2 \langle n_{ks} + 1 | n_{ks} + 1 \rangle = |g_{ks}|^2$ $= \langle n_{ks} | \hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger} \hat{a}_{ks} + 1 | n_{ks} \rangle = \langle n_{ks} | \hat{n}_{ks} + 1 | n_{ks} \rangle = n_{ks} + 1$ 2. Cont $\therefore q_{ks} = \sqrt{n_{ks} + 1}$ $\therefore \hat{a}_{ks}^{\dagger} | n_{ks} \rangle = \sqrt{n_{ks} + 1} | n_{ks} + 1 \rangle$ creation operator $\hat{a}_{ks}|n_{ks}\rangle = \sqrt{n_{ks}}|n_{ks}-1\rangle$ Phase and annihilation operator e.g. Sque $\hat{H} = \sum_{k} \sum_{s} \hbar w_{k,s} (\hat{a}^{\dagger}_{k,s} \hat{a}_{k,s} + 1/2)$ eigenvalue is quantized

1. Discrete quantum variables Fock

Fock state representation

$$\rho_{nm} = \sum P_{nm} |n\rangle \langle m|$$

Energy ; photon counting e.g. Single photon, Fock states ..

2. Continuous quantum variables

Phase and amplitude e.g. Squeezed state, Schrodinger cat state



• Phase ?

 $\hat{a}^{\dagger} = e^{-i\hat{\phi}} \hat{g}$ does not satisfy uncertainty principle $\langle (\Delta \hat{n})^2 \rangle^{1/2} \langle (\Delta \hat{\phi})^2 \rangle^{1/2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{1}{2}$ $\hat{\phi}$ is not Hermitian

$$\hat{\mathcal{C}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} [\widehat{\exp(i\phi)} + \widehat{\exp(i\phi)}^{\dagger}] \qquad \qquad \hat{\phi}_{c} = \operatorname{arc} \cos \hat{\mathcal{C}} \\ \hat{\mathcal{S}} \equiv \frac{1}{2i} [\widehat{\exp(i\phi)} - \widehat{\exp(i\phi)}^{\dagger}] \qquad \qquad \text{do not commute} \qquad \qquad \hat{\phi}_{s} = \operatorname{arc} \sin \hat{\mathcal{S}}$$

commute !

$$[\exp(i\widehat{\phi}_1)[\exp(i\widehat{\phi}_2)]^{\dagger}, \hat{n}_1 + \hat{n}_2] = [(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_1 + i\hat{\mathcal{S}}_1)(\hat{\mathcal{C}}_2 - i\hat{\mathcal{S}}_2), \hat{n}_1 + \hat{n}_2] = 0$$

$$|\theta\rangle = \frac{1}{(s+1)^{1/2}} \sum_{n=0}^{s} e^{in\theta} |n\rangle \qquad \qquad \theta_m = \theta_0 + \frac{2\pi m}{s+1} \quad , m = 0, 1, 2..s$$

commute, orthogonal



J.W. Noh, A. Fougeres, L. Mandel, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 67, 1467 (1991).

$$\hat{\mathcal{C}}_M = (\hat{n}_4 - \hat{n}_3)[(\hat{n}_4 - \hat{n}_3)^2 + (\hat{n}_6 - \hat{n}_5)^2]^{-1/2}$$
$$\hat{\mathcal{S}}_M = (\hat{n}_6 - \hat{n}_5)[(\hat{n}_4 - \hat{n}_3)^2 + (\hat{n}_6 - \hat{n}_5)^2]^{-1/2}$$

Input2



In the regime, $\langle \hat{n}_1 \rangle, \langle \hat{n}_2 \rangle \ll 1$ Phase difference ill defined



Lamb Shift

• "Experimental Result"

Energy difference between $2S_{1/2}, 2P_{1/2}$ by level shift

 Vacuum Fluctuation Theory (by Welton, 1957)



W E. Lamb, JR., and R C. Rutherford, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **72**,241 (1947) W E. Lamb, JR. Nobel Lecture, (1955)

Lamb Shift

"Experimer

Energy difference be by level shift

Vacuum Flu

(by Welto

Electron orbit perturbed by vacuum fluctuation perturbation δr $\delta V = V(r + \delta r) - V(r)$ $< \delta V >= 1/6 < \nabla^2 V >< (\delta r)^2 >$ Non-relativistic eqn. of motion for electron $m_e \ddot{r} = -eE_\omega cos\omega t$ $\Delta E = \frac{\hbar e^4}{12\pi^2 \epsilon_0^2 m^2 c^3} |\psi(0)|^2 ln(mc^2/\hbar\omega_0)$

 ${\sim}1\text{GHz}$ in good agreement with Lamb shift measurement

W E. Lamb, JR., and R C. Rutherford, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **72**,241 (1947) W E. Lamb, JR. Nobel Lecture, (1955)

Quantum beat

• Semiclassical Theory (SCT)



$$E^{(+)} = \mathcal{E}_1 \exp(-i\nu_1 t) + \mathcal{E}_2 \exp(-i\nu_2 t)$$
$$|E^{(+)}|^2 = |\mathcal{E}_1|^2 + |\mathcal{E}_2|^2 + (\mathcal{E}_1^* \mathcal{E}_2 \exp(-i(\nu_1 - \nu_2)t) + \text{c.c})$$

Interference term

$$|\psi_V\rangle = \sum_{i=g,e_1,e_2} c_i |i,0\rangle + c_1 |g,1_{\nu_1}\rangle + c_2 |g,1_{\nu_2}\rangle$$

S. Haroche, J.A. Paisner, A.L. Schawlow Phys. Rev. Lett. 30, 948 (1973).

Casimir effect

Casimir effect manifested over different scales.





c Casimir effect (macroscopic bodies)



H.B.G. Casimir, and D. Polder, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **73**, 360 (1947). V. Sandoghdar, C. I. Sukenik, E. A. Hinds, S. Haroche, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 68, 3432 (1992).

Two flavors of quantum variables

1. Energy \longrightarrow Discrete quantum variables $[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^{\dagger}] = 1$ photon counting

n Fock-state representation
$$ho_{nm} = \sum_{n,m} P_{nm} \ket{n} ig\langle m
ight|$$

2. Fields (phase-amplitude) —— Continuous quantum variables

quadratures
$$\hat{P} = \hat{a}^{\dagger} + \hat{a}$$

 $\hat{Q} = i(\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \hat{a})$ with $[\hat{Q}, \hat{P}] = 2i$

e.g., Wigner function for squeezed states



L. Mandel., and E. Wolf, "Optical Coherence and Quantum Optics"

Optical equivalence theorem

VOLUME 10, NUMBER 7

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

1 April 1963

EQUIVALENCE OF SEMICLASSICAL AND QUANTUM MECHANICAL DESCRIPTIONS OF STATISTICAL LIGHT BEAMS

E. C. G. Sudarshan Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Rochester, Rochester, New York (Received 1 March 1963)

We can make use of the overcompleteness⁶ of the states to represent every density matrix,

$$\label{eq:rho} \rho = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n'=0}^{\infty} \rho(n,n') \psi(n) \psi^{\dagger}(n'),$$

in the "diagonal" form

$$\rho = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n'=0}^{\infty} \rho(n,n') \frac{(n!n'!)^{1/2}}{(n+n')!} \left\{ \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right)^{n+n'} \int \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} \exp[r^2 + i(n'-n)\theta] |re^{i\theta}\rangle \langle re^{i\theta} | \right\} \Big|_{r=0}.$$

This form is particularly interesting since if $O = (a^{\dagger})^{\lambda} a^{\mu}$ be any normal ordered operator (i.e., all creation operators to the left of all annihilation operators), its expectation value in the statistical state represented by the density matrix in the "diagonal" form

is given by

$$\operatorname{tr}\{\rho O\} = \operatorname{tr}\{\rho(a^{\dagger})^{\lambda}a^{\mu}\} = \int d^{2}z \,\phi(z)(z^{\ast})^{\lambda}z^{\mu}.$$

Glauber-Sudarshan function

- Universal character of all states of EM fields
- Quasi-probability density in the "diagonal" basis

Representation of quantum states in the coherent-state basis Prediction of *genuine* quantum effects, which cannot be described classically.

(5)

- E. C. G. Sudarshan, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **10**, 277 (1963)
- R. J. Glauber, Phys. Rev. 131, 2766 (1963).

Optical equivalence theorem

VOLUME 10, NUMBER 7

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

1 April 1963

EQUIVALENCE OF SEMICLASSICAL AND QUANTUM MECHANICAL DESCRIPTIONS OF STATISTICAL LIGHT BEAMS

E. C. G. Sudarshan Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Rochester, Rochester, New York (Received 1 March 1963)

We can make use of the overcompleteness⁶ of the states to represent every density matrix,

$$\rho = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n'=0}^{\infty} \rho(n,n')\psi(n)\psi^{\dagger}(n'),$$

in the "diagonal" form

$$\rho = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n'=0}^{\infty} \rho(n,n') \frac{(n!n')}{(n+n')} \frac{(n!n')}{(n+n')} \frac{Classical}{n!} \text{ domain: A well-behaved P-function can be} \\ \text{This form if } O = (a^{\dagger})^{\lambda} a^{\mu} \text{ be} \\ \text{all creation of operators), it state represent "diagonal" for is given by } \\ \frac{1}{|tr\{\rho O\} = tr|} \frac{Quantum}{(tr\{\rho O\} = tr)} \text{ domain: Pathological examples of P-functions such } \\ \phi(z) = \frac{e^{|z|^2}}{n!} \frac{\partial^{2n}}{\partial z^n \partial z^{*n}} \delta^{(2)}(z). \end{cases}$$

Representation of quantum states in the coherent-state basis Prediction of *genuine* quantum effects, which cannot be described classically.

E. C. G. Sudarshan, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **10**, 277 (1963)

R. J. Glauber, Phys. Rev. 131, 2766 (1963).

A model-independent line between classical and manifestly quantum domains



Coherent State Representation

Fock state $|n\rangle$ representation $\hat{a}|v\rangle = v|v\rangle, \quad \langle v|\hat{a}^{\dagger} = v^*\langle v|$

$$|v\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |n\rangle, \quad \therefore \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle = v \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n |n\rangle$$

$$c_n = \frac{v}{\sqrt{n}} c_{n-1} = \frac{v^2}{\sqrt{n(n-1)}} c_{n-2} = \dots = \frac{v^n}{\sqrt{n!}} c_0 \implies |v\rangle = e^{-|v|^2/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{v^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

normalize factor

$$|c_0| = e^{-|v|^2/2}$$

Probability follows Poisson distribution

$$p(n) = |\langle n|v\rangle|^2 = \frac{|v|^{2n}}{n!}e^{-|v|^2}$$

 $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} np(n) = |v|^2 = \langle v | \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} | v \rangle$ annihilation without changing state !

Coherent State Representation

Displacement operator

$$\begin{split} v \rangle &= e^{-|v|^2/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{v^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle = e^{-|v|^2/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{v^n \hat{a}^{\dagger n}}{\sqrt{n!}} |vac\rangle \\ &= e^{-|v|^2/2} e^{v \hat{a}^{\dagger}} e^{-v^* \hat{a}} |vac\rangle = \hat{D}(v) |vac\rangle \qquad \text{displaced vacuum state} \end{split}$$



 $\hat{D}(v)\hat{D}^{\dagger}(v) = 1 = \hat{D}^{\dagger}(v)\hat{D}(v)$ $Tr(\hat{D}(v)\hat{D}^{\dagger}(v')) = \pi\delta^{2}(v-v')$ $\hat{D}(v)\hat{D}(v') = e^{(vv'^{*}-v^{*}v')/2}\hat{D}(v+v')$

Coherent State Representation

Unce $\hat{P} = \sqrt{\frac{2w}{\hbar}}\hat{p} , \quad \hat{Q} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\hbar w}}\hat{q}$ $\langle v | (\Delta \hat{a}(t))^2 |$ $\langle (\triangle Q)^2 \rangle^{1/2} = 1, \ \langle (\triangle P)^2 \rangle^{1/2} = 1$ coherent state $\frac{1}{2}\hbar$ $\langle v | (\triangle \hat{p}(t))^2 | v$ $\langle (\triangle Q)^2 \rangle^{1/2} = e^{-2\theta}, \ \langle (\triangle P)^2 \rangle^{1/2} = e^{2\theta}$ squeezed state Q Q squeezed state Minimum un coherent state Unitary $|v\rangle$ $|v\rangle$ $\hat{U}^{\dagger}(\theta)\hat{a}\hat{U}$ $|vac\rangle$ $|vac\rangle$ phase phase Ρ Ρ $\langle v, \theta | (\Delta \hat{q}(t))^2$ $\langle v, \theta | (\Delta \hat{p}(t))$ $\therefore \langle v, \theta | (\triangle \hat{p}(t))^2 | v, \theta \rangle^{1/2} \langle v, \theta | (\triangle \hat{q}(t))^2 | v, \theta \rangle^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}\hbar$

Optical equivalence theorem

Glauber-Sudarshan P-representation for "all" EM field

$$\hat{\rho} = \int P(v)|v\rangle \langle v|d^{2}v , \quad d^{2}v = d(Im(v))d(Re(v)) \quad \text{phase space}$$
Non-orthogonality $|\langle v_{2}|v_{1}\rangle|^{2} = e^{-|v_{1}-v_{2}|^{2}}$
Completeness $\int d^{2}v|v\rangle \langle v| = 1$

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}} = \sum_{m,n} C_{mn} \hat{a}^{\dagger m} \hat{a}^{n}$$
What is inside ?

Optical equivalence theorem

(

$$\langle \hat{\mathcal{O}} \rangle = Tr(\hat{\mathcal{O}}\hat{\rho}) = \int P(v) \sum_{n,m} C_{mn} \langle v | \hat{a}^{\dagger m} \hat{a}^{n} | v \rangle d^{2}v = \int P(v) \sum_{n,m} C_{mn} v^{*m} v^{n} d^{2}v$$
$$= \int P(v) \mathcal{O}(v^{*}, v) d^{2}v$$

Optical equivalence theorem

Photon number fluctuation – Mandel Q parameter

$$\begin{split} \langle \hat{\mathcal{O}} \rangle &= (\hat{n} - \langle \hat{n} \rangle)^2 = (\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} - \langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle)^2 \geq 0 \\ &= \int \underline{P(v)} (|v|^2 - \langle |v|^2 \rangle)^2 d^2 v \end{split} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{at, } P(v) \geq 0 \\ \text{(classical probability density)} \end{split}$$

2nd order coherence

$$g^{(2)}(0) = \frac{\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger 2} \hat{a}^{2} \rangle}{|\langle \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \rangle|^{2}} = 1 + \frac{\int P(v)[|v|^{2} - \langle |v|^{2} \rangle]^{2} d^{2}v}{[\int P(v)|v|^{2} d^{2}v]^{2}}$$

 $g^{(2)}(0) \geq 1$ for all classical EM fields

 $g^{(2)}(0) < 1$ anti-bunching $\Rightarrow P(v) < 0$ Quasi-probability density Can't be explained by classical statistics

Glauber-Sudarshan P-representation

Quasi-probability density function

from
$$\hat{\rho} = \int P(v)|v\rangle \langle v|d^2v$$
 with coherent state $|u\rangle$
 $\langle -u|\hat{\rho}|u\rangle = \int P(v)\langle -u|v\rangle \langle v|u\rangle d^2v = e^{-|u|^2} \int P(v)e^{-|v|^2}e^{uv^*-u^*v} d^2v$

By Fourier integral,
$$P(v)e^{-|v|^2} = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int e^{|u|^2} \langle -u|\hat{\rho}|u\rangle e^{-uv^* + u^*v} d^2u$$

More generally, there are other kinds of phase-space functions

Wigner representation
$$W(v) = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int d^2 u C_S(u, u^*) e^{-uv^* + u^* v}$$

$$W_{\hat{\rho}}(X, P) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{iPQ} \left\langle X - \frac{Q}{2} \right| \hat{\rho} \left| X + \frac{Q}{2} \right\rangle \mathrm{d}Q$$

Examples of Phase-space function

Coherent states $\hat{\rho} = |v'\rangle \langle v'|$

 $\langle -u|\hat{\rho}|u\rangle = \langle -u|v'\rangle\langle v'|u\rangle = e^{-|u|^2 - |v'|^2} e^{uv'^* - u^*v'}$

$$P(v)e^{-|v|^2} = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int e^{-|v'|^2} e^{u(v'^* - v^*) - u^*(v' - v)} d^2u = e^{-|v'|^2} \delta^2(v - v')$$

 $\therefore P(v) = \delta^2(v - v')$

Using optical equivalence theorem, $g^2(0) = 1$

As a alternative representation,



Examples of Phase-space function

• Thermal light

 $P(v)=\frac{1}{\pi\langle n\rangle}e^{-|v|^2/\langle n\rangle}$ mean photon number $\left\langle n\right\rangle$ $g^{(2)}(0)=2$

• Fock state $|n\rangle$

 $P(v) = \frac{e^{|v|^2}}{n!} \frac{\partial^{2n}}{\partial v^{*n} \partial v^n} \delta^2(v) \quad \text{sharper than delta function}$ $g^{(2)}(0) = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$