

Dirac notations in state space

Euclidean Space \sim 3D \sim real

the vector space in which quantum systems live.

State Space \sim N-D \sim complex

just like Euclidean space is for classical systems.

both the spaces inner product.

A vector space equipped with an inner product is an Hilbert space.

Postulate 1: The state of a physical system is characterized by a state vector that belongs to a complex vector space \mathcal{V} , called the state space of the system

Euclidean 3D space \mathbb{R}^3

state space \sim Dirac not.

$\underline{\text{H}}$ "vector"

$|\psi\rangle$ "ket"

Scalar product in Euclidean space

$$SP(\underline{H}_1, \underline{H}_2) = \underline{H}_1 \cdot \underline{H}_2 = c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$(x_1, y_1, z_1) \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = c$$

① configuration

$$SP(\underline{H}_1, \underline{H}_2) = SP(\underline{H}_2, \underline{H}_1)$$

$$\underline{H}_1 \cdot \underline{H}_2 = \underline{H}_2 \cdot \underline{H}_1$$

$$c = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + x_3 y_3$$

(addition is not defined,

so this means they must be in diff Vspace)

② linearity

$$SP(\underline{H}_1, a\underline{H}_2) = aSP(\underline{H}_1, \underline{H}_2)$$

$$\underline{H}_1 \cdot (a\underline{H}_2) = a(\underline{H}_1 \cdot \underline{H}_2)$$

$$SP(\underline{H}_1, \underline{H}_2 + \underline{H}_3) = SP(\underline{H}_1, \underline{H}_2) + SP(\underline{H}_1, \underline{H}_3)$$

③ positive

$$SP(\underline{H}_1, a\underline{H}_1) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \underline{H}_1 \cdot \underline{H}_1 \geq 0 \Rightarrow |\underline{H}_1|^2 \geq 0$$

$$\underline{H}_1 \cdot \underline{H}_1 = 0 \text{ iff } \underline{H}_1 = 0$$

scalar product in state space

$$SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle) = c \quad , \quad c \in \mathbb{C}$$

④ **conjugate** $SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle) = [SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle)]^*$

⑤ **linear** but only in the second argument

$$SP(|\psi\rangle, a|\psi\rangle) = a SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle)$$

$$\underline{SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle + |\chi\rangle)} = \underline{SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle) + SP(|\psi\rangle, |\chi\rangle)}$$

only in second argument

Anti-linear in the first argument

$$SP(a|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle) = [SP(|\psi\rangle, a|\psi\rangle)]^*$$

move it to

second argument

that adds the
conjugation

$$\Rightarrow a^* [SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle)]^* \Rightarrow a^* SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle)$$

when scalar is in the first argument, we need to take its complex conjugate to take it out. That is why it is **Anti-linear in its first argument**.

⑥ **Positive** $SP(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle) \geq 0 \quad = 0 \text{ iff } |\psi\rangle = 0$

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = c \Rightarrow (x_1, y_1, z_1) \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = c$$

row column

$$c = x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2 + z_1 z_2$$

but the addition is
not defined on this
hence they must be on diff
vector spaces

"column" belongs to the vector space
"row" belongs to the dual space

Linear map:

A row vector maps column vector to a scalar.

$$(x_1, y_1, z_1) \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{pmatrix} = c \text{ scalar.}$$

row Column

$\text{SP}(\psi_1, \circ)$ maps $\underline{\psi_2}$ to c



Linear maps. (the objects that act on a vector)

$$\psi \longleftrightarrow \text{SP}(\psi, \circ)$$

The set $\{\text{SP}(\psi, \circ)\}$ forms a vector space: dual space.

Dual space to state space

$$\text{SP}(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle) = c \quad c \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\text{SP}(|\psi\rangle, \circ) \Rightarrow \langle \psi | \quad \text{dual vector. "bra" "row"}$$

$$\text{SP}(|\psi\rangle, |\psi\rangle) \Rightarrow \langle \psi | \psi \rangle \quad \text{bracket}$$

$$|\psi\rangle \in V \rightarrow \langle \psi | \in V^*$$

(dual space)

-Scalar product is anti-linear in the first argument.

$$a|\psi\rangle \rightarrow a^* \langle \psi |$$

state space

dual space

Ket

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bra

$|\psi\rangle$

$\langle\psi|$

$a|\psi\rangle$

$a^* \langle\psi|$

$$\text{bracket : } \langle\psi|\psi\rangle = 0$$