

Matrix mechanics 5

Let Ω be the following time translation matrix.

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{\hbar} H$$

where

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (P_1^2 + P_2^2 + P_3^2)$$

Let U be the unitary transformation

$$U = 1 - i\epsilon\Omega - \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^2\Omega^2$$

1. Show that to order ϵ^2

$$\begin{aligned} U^{-1}X_1U &= X_1 + \frac{\epsilon}{m}P_1 \\ U^{-1}X_2U &= X_2 + \frac{\epsilon}{m}P_2 \\ U^{-1}X_3U &= X_3 + \frac{\epsilon}{m}P_3 \end{aligned}$$

2. Show that to order ϵ^2

$$\begin{aligned} U^{-1}P_1U &= P_1 \\ U^{-1}P_2U &= P_2 \\ U^{-1}P_3U &= P_3 \end{aligned}$$

3. Show that to order ϵ^2

$$\begin{aligned} U^{-1}L_1U &= L_1 \\ U^{-1}L_2U &= L_2 \\ U^{-1}L_3U &= L_3 \end{aligned}$$

4. Show that to order ϵ^2

$$U^{-1}HU = H$$