

8-4. Show that the ground-state wave function for the Lagrangian of equation (8.78) can be written

$$\Phi_0 = A \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\hbar} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N-1} \omega_{\alpha} Q_{\alpha}^* Q_{\alpha} \right) \quad (8.83)$$

(where A is a constant) by starting with the wave function in terms of the real variables Q_{α}^c and Q_{α}^s .

Consider equation (8.82).

$$q_j(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \left(\frac{1}{2} Q_0^c(t) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{(N-1)/2} \left(Q_{\alpha}^c(t) \cos \frac{2\pi\alpha j}{N} - Q_{\alpha}^s(t) \sin \frac{2\pi\alpha j}{N} \right) \right) \quad (8.82)$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=0}^{N-1} \left(\dot{Q}_{\alpha}^* \dot{Q}_{\alpha} - \omega_{\alpha}^2 Q_{\alpha}^* Q_{\alpha} \right) \quad (8.78)$$

$$Q_{\alpha}^c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (Q_{\alpha} + Q_{-\alpha}) \quad (8.79)$$

$$Q_{\alpha}^s = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} (Q_{\alpha} - Q_{-\alpha}) \quad (8.80)$$

Consider this part of equation (8.63).

$$\Phi_0 = \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\hbar} \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \omega_{\alpha} Q_{\alpha}^2 \right) \quad (8.63)$$

How to go from Lagrangian to wave function?