

1. Symmetry of QM
2. Theory of Angular momentum.
3. Scattering theory.

## Symmetry of transformation of space $\mathbb{R}^3$

wave function  $\psi(\vec{r})$        $\vec{r} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

consider linear transf.  $Q: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$Q\vec{r} = \vec{r}' \quad \vec{r}: 3d \text{ column vector}$$

$Q: 3 \times 3$  matrix

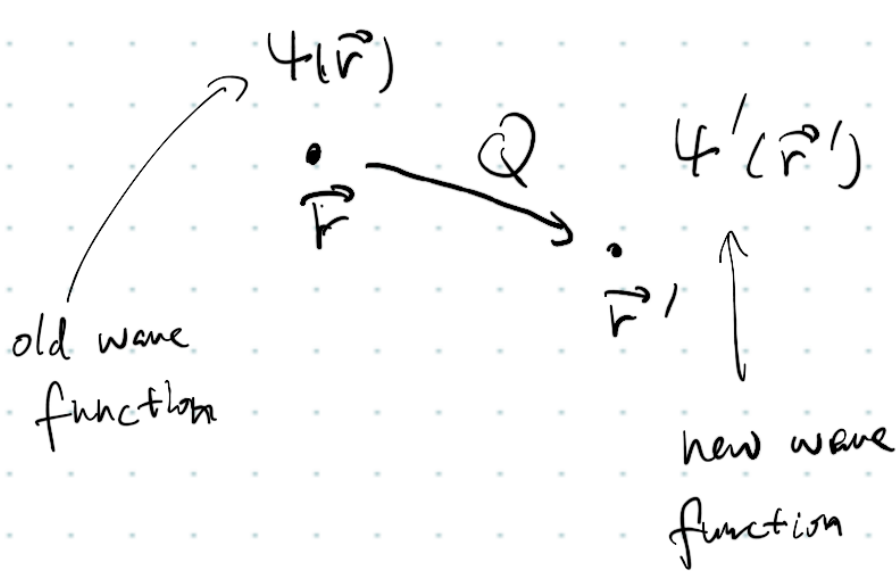
$Q$  is a symmetry of the space, if it preserves the inner product

$$\vec{r}_1 \cdot \vec{r}_2 = (Q\vec{r}_1) \cdot (Q\vec{r}_2)$$

in particular,  $Q$  preserves the distance in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

$$\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r} = (Q\vec{r}) \cdot (Q\vec{r}) \quad \checkmark$$

$Q$  induces transformation of  $\psi(\vec{r})$



s.t.  $\psi'(\vec{r}') = \psi(\vec{r})$

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$\parallel$   $\parallel$   
 $\vec{r}'$   $Q^{-1}\vec{r}'$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned}\psi'(\vec{r}) &= \psi(Q^{-1}\vec{r}) \\ &\equiv \hat{D}(Q)\psi(\vec{r})\end{aligned}}$$

$$Q: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$\hat{D}(Q): \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R}^3, d^3x)$$

$$|\psi\rangle \rightarrow |\psi'\rangle$$

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properties of  $\hat{D}(Q)$ : linear operator on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

- unitarity:  $\langle \psi_1 | \psi_2 \rangle = \int d^3\vec{r} \overline{\psi_1(\vec{r})} \psi_2(\vec{r})$

change of variable  
 $\vec{r} \rightarrow Q^{-1}\vec{r}$

$$= \int d^3(Q^{-1}\vec{r}) \overline{\psi_1(Q^{-1}\vec{r})} \psi_2(Q^{-1}\vec{r})$$

Lemma  $\det Q = \pm 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pf: } \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}' &= \delta_{ij} r^i r'^j \\ Q \vec{r} \cdot Q \vec{r}' &= \delta_{ij} Q^i_k r^k Q^j_l r'^l \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}' &= \delta_{ij} r^i r'^j \\ Q \vec{r} \cdot Q \vec{r}' &= \delta_{ij} Q^i_k r^k Q^j_l r'^l \end{aligned}} \right\} \Rightarrow \delta_{ij} Q^i_k Q^j_l = \delta_{kl}$$

$$\Updownarrow \\ Q^T Q = 1_{3 \times 3}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q^T = Q^{-1}, \quad (\det Q)^2 = 1$$

$$\det Q = \pm 1$$

$$d^3(Q^{-1} \vec{r}) = d^3 \vec{r} \, |\det Q^{-1}| = d^3 \vec{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi_1 | \psi_2 \rangle &= \int d^3 \vec{r} \, \overline{\psi_1(Q^{-1} \vec{r})} \, \psi_2(Q^{-1} \vec{r}) \\ &= \langle D(Q) \psi_1 | D(Q) \psi_2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow D(Q)$  is unitary operator.

- Consider 2 transformations  $Q_1, Q_2: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$Q = Q_1 \circ Q_2$$

$$Q\vec{r} = Q_1 \circ Q_2 \vec{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D(Q_1) D(Q_2) \psi(\vec{r}) &= D(Q_1) \psi(Q_2^{-1} \vec{r}) \\ &= \psi(Q_2^{-1} (Q_1^{-1} \vec{r})) \\ &= \psi(Q_2^{-1} Q_1^{-1} \vec{r}) = \psi((Q_1 Q_2)^{-1} \vec{r}) \\ &= D(Q_1 Q_2) \psi(\vec{r}) \end{aligned}$$

$$D(Q_1) D(Q_2) = D(Q_1 Q_2)$$

if we view  $D$  to be a map from symmetry transf. on  $\mathbb{R}^3$   
to linear operators on  $\mathcal{H}$ .

$D$  respects the product of transf.

$$\bullet \quad D(Q) D(Q^{-1}) = D(Q Q^{-1}) = D(1_{3 \times 3})$$

$$D(1) \psi(\vec{r}) = \psi(1 \vec{r}) = \psi(\vec{r})$$

$$D(1) = 1_{\mathcal{H}}$$

$$D(Q)D(Q^{-1}) = I_H$$

$$\boxed{D(Q)^{-1} = D(Q^{-1})}$$

$D$  respects  
the inverse.

Def A group is a set  $G$  together with a binary operation

$$a \cdot b \in G \quad \forall a, b \in G$$

called group multiplication

$$\text{s.t. (1) } (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$$

(associativity)

$$(2) \exists ! e \in G, \text{ s.t. } e \cdot a = a \quad \forall a \in G$$

(identity)

$$(3) \forall a \in G, \exists a^{-1} \in G \text{ s.t. } a \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a = e$$

(inverse)

Example (1)  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  with multiplication

(2) set of symmetry transf.  $Q$ 's on  $\mathbb{R}^3$

multiplication: composition of  $Q_1, Q_2$

- $Q$ :  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $\rightarrow$  associativity

- identity  $I_{3 \times 3}$

- inverse  $Q^T Q = I \quad Q^{-1} = Q^T$

the set of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices with  $Q^{-1} = Q^T$   
is called  $O(3)$  group.

(orthogonal group on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )