

1 Solutions for Quadratures and Wigner functions

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1.1 Gaussian transformations

1.1.1 a)

I)

$$e^{itH_G} C_a e^{-itH_G} = M_+ C_a + D_+$$

Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{itH_G} R_Q e^{-itH_G} &= e^{itH_G} T_k C_a e^{-itH_G} \\ &= T_k (e^{itH_G} C_a e^{-itH_G}) \\ &= T_k M_+ C_a + T_k D_+ \\ &= T_k M_+ T_k^{-1} T_k C_a + T_k D_+ \\ &= T_k M_+ T_k^{-1} R_Q + T_k D_+. \end{aligned}$$

By direct calculation,

$$\begin{aligned} S_+ &= T_k M_+ T_k^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} I, & I \\ -iI, & iI \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V & J \\ J^* & V^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & iI \\ I & -iI \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} I, & I \\ -iI, & iI \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V+J, & i(V-J) \\ J^*+V^*, & i(J^*-V^*) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (V+V^*+J+J^*), & i(V-J+J^*-V^*) \\ i(J^*+V^*-V-J), & (V+V^*-J-J^*) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{V\} + \operatorname{Re}\{J\}, & \operatorname{Im}\{J\} - \operatorname{Im}\{V\} \\ \operatorname{Im}\{V\} + \operatorname{Im}\{J\}, & \operatorname{Re}\{V\} - \operatorname{Re}\{J\} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{V+J\}, & \operatorname{Im}\{J-V\} \\ \operatorname{Im}\{V+J\}, & \operatorname{Re}\{V-J\} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

We see that S_+ does indeed only have real elements.

Likewise for the displacement μ_+ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_+ &= T_k D_+ = k_c \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}I, & \frac{1}{2}I \\ -\frac{1}{2}iI, & \frac{1}{2}iI \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ d^* \end{pmatrix} \\ &= k_c \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d+d^*}{2} \\ -i\frac{d-d^*}{2} \end{pmatrix} = k_c \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{d\} \\ \operatorname{Im}\{d\} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and we see that μ_+ only has real elements.

II) We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
& S_+ \Omega S_+^T \\
&= T M_+ T^{-1} \Omega T^{-T} M_+^T T^T \\
&= 4 T M_+ T^H \Omega T^* M_+^T T^T \\
&= 4 T \left(-\frac{i}{2} \Omega \right) T^T \\
&= \Omega
\end{aligned}$$

1.1.2 b)

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{-itH_G} R_Q e^{itH_G} &= e^{-itH_G} T_k C_a e^{itH_G} \\
&= T_k (e^{-itH_G} C_a e^{itH_G}) \\
&= T_k M_- C_a + T_k D_- \\
&= T_k M_- T_k^{-1} T_k C_a + T_k D_- \\
&= T M_- T^{-1} R_Q + T_k D_- \\
&= T M_+^{-1} T^{-1} R_Q + (-T_k M_+^{-1} D_+),
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
S_- &= T M_+^{-1} T^{-1} = (T M_+ T^{-1})^{-1} \\
&= S_+^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Likewise for the displacement,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu_- &= -T_k M_+^{-1} D_+ \\
&= -T_k M_+^{-1} T_k^{-1} T_k D_+ \\
&= -S_+^{-1} T_k D_+ = -S_+^{-1} \mu_+
\end{aligned}$$

Note that since,

$$S_+ \Omega S_+^T = \Omega$$

then,

$$\Omega S_+^T = S_+^{-1} \Omega$$

and finally $S_+^{-1} = \Omega S_+^T \Omega^T$.

1.1.3 c)

$$\begin{aligned} |S_+| &= |TM_+T^{-1}| \\ &= |T| |M_+| |T|^{-1} \\ &= |M_+| = 1 \end{aligned}$$

See <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Determinant>

1.2 Glauber's formula and the Wigner characteristic function

1.2.1 a)

$$\begin{aligned} D(\alpha) &= \exp [C_\alpha^T \Omega C_\alpha] \\ &= \exp [C_\alpha^T \Omega T_k^{-1} R_Q] \\ &= \exp [2k_c^{-1} C_\alpha^T \Omega T^H R_Q], \end{aligned}$$

we have the identity,

$$\Omega T^H = -iT^T \Omega,$$

and so,

$$\begin{aligned} D(\alpha) &= \exp \left[-i (2k_c^{-1} T C_\alpha)^T \Omega R_Q \right] \\ &= \exp [-i R_\Lambda^T \Omega R_Q] = \exp [i R_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R_\Lambda = 2k_c^{-1} T C_\alpha = 2k_c^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_R \\ \alpha_I \end{pmatrix}.$$

1.2.2 b)

Using the result of a) we have,

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\pi^n} \int_{\mathbb{C}^n} d^{2n} \alpha \chi_\rho(C_\alpha) \exp [-i R_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda].$$

We change integration variables to,

$$R_\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda_q \\ \Lambda_p \end{pmatrix} = 2k_c^{-1} T C_\alpha = 2k_c^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_R \\ \alpha_I \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we have,

$$d^n \alpha_R d^n \alpha_I = \left(\frac{k_c}{2} \right)^{2n} d^n \Lambda_q d^n \Lambda_p = \left(\frac{k_c}{2} \right)^{2n} d^{2n} R_\Lambda,$$

and

$$C_\alpha = \frac{k_c}{2} T^{-1} R_\Lambda = k_c T^H R_\Lambda.$$

Then we obtain the result,

$$\rho = \left(\frac{k_c}{2} \right)^{2n} \frac{1}{\pi^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_\Lambda \chi_\rho (k_c T^H R_\Lambda) \exp [-i R_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda].$$

1.2.3 c)

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_\rho^{(Q)} (R_\Lambda) &= \chi_\rho (k_c T^H R_\Lambda) \\ &= \text{Tr} \{ \rho \exp [C_\alpha^T \Omega C_a] \} \\ &= \text{Tr} \left\{ \rho \exp \left[(k_c T^H R_\Lambda)^T \Omega C_a \right] \right\} \\ &= \text{Tr} \{ \rho \exp [k_c R_\Lambda^T T^* \Omega T_k^{-1} R_Q] \} \\ &= \text{Tr} \left\{ \rho \exp \left[2 R_\Lambda^T \left(\frac{i}{2} \Omega \right)^* R_Q \right] \right\} \\ &= \text{Tr} \{ \rho \exp [-i R_\Lambda^T \Omega R_Q] \} \\ &= \text{Tr} \{ \rho \exp [i R_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda] \}. \end{aligned}$$

1.2.4 d)

We have for a single mode

$$\text{Tr} \{ D(\alpha) \} = \pi \delta(\alpha_I) \delta(\alpha_R)$$

Generalizing to n -modes we must have,

$$\text{Tr} \{ D(C_\alpha) \} = \pi^n \delta^{(2n)} (T C_\alpha)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Tr} \{ \exp [iR_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda] \} &= \text{Tr} \{ D(C_\alpha) \} \\
&= \pi^n \delta^{(2n)}(TC_\alpha) = \pi^n \delta^{(2n)} \left(\frac{k_c}{2} R_\Lambda \right) \\
&= \pi^n \left(\frac{2}{k_c} \right)^{2n} \delta^{(2n)}(R_\Lambda) \\
&= \left(\frac{4\pi}{k_c^2} \right)^n \delta^{(n)}(\Lambda_q) \delta^{(n)}(\Lambda_p)
\end{aligned}$$

1.2.5 e)

$$\bar{R} = \text{Tr} \{ \rho R_Q \} = T_k \text{Tr} \{ \rho C_a \} = T_k \bar{C}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
Q &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \{ \rho (R_Q \otimes R_Q^T + R_Q^T \otimes R_Q) \} - \text{Tr} \{ \rho R_Q^T \} \otimes \text{Tr} \{ \rho R_Q \} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \{ \rho (T_k C_a \otimes C_a^T T_k^T + C_a^T T_k^T \otimes T_k C_a) \} - \text{Tr} \{ \rho C_a^T T_k^T \} \otimes \text{Tr} \{ \rho T_k C_a \} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left\{ \rho \left(T_k C_a \otimes C_a^T T_k^T + (T_k C_a \otimes C_a^T T_k^T)^T \right) \right\} - (T_k \text{Tr} \{ \rho C_a \} \otimes \text{Tr} \{ \rho C_a^T \} T_k^T)^T \\
&= T_k \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \{ \rho (C_a \otimes C_a^T + C_a^T \otimes C_a) \} T_k^T - T_k \text{Tr} \{ \rho C_a^T \} \otimes \text{Tr} \{ \rho C_a \} T_k^T \\
&= T_k \Sigma T_k^T
\end{aligned}$$

1.2.6 f)

$$\begin{aligned}
Q &= k_c^2 T \Sigma T^T = k_c^2 T M_+ \Sigma_{\text{Th}} M_+^T T^T \\
&= k_c^2 T M_+ T^{-1} T \Sigma_{\text{Th}} T^T (T M_+ T^{-1})^T \\
&= k_c^2 S_+ T \Sigma_{\text{Th}} T^T S_+^T
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
T \Sigma_{\text{Th}} T^T &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} I & \frac{1}{2} I \\ -i \frac{1}{2} I & i \frac{1}{2} I \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \nu_{\text{th}} \\ \nu_{\text{th}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} I & -i \frac{1}{2} I \\ \frac{1}{2} I & i \frac{1}{2} I \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{\text{th}} & 0 \\ 0 & \nu_{\text{th}} \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

So we have the claimed identity,

$$Q = \frac{k_c^2}{4} S_+ \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{\text{th}} & 0 \\ 0 & \nu_{\text{th}} \end{pmatrix} S_+^T.$$

Since S_+ and ν_{th} are real, then Q is real. Q is clearly symmetric. To see that V is positive definite, we note that S_+ is invertible, and so an arbitrary real vector u , can be written in the form,

$$u = S_+^{-T} v$$

where v is another real vector.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} u^T V u &= \frac{k_c^2}{4} u^T S_+ \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{\text{th}} & 0 \\ 0 & \nu_{\text{th}} \end{pmatrix} S_+^T u \\ &= \frac{k_c^2}{4} v^T \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{\text{th}} & 0 \\ 0 & \nu_{\text{th}} \end{pmatrix} v, \end{aligned}$$

since ν_{th} is diagonal with all entries greater than 1, it follows that Q is positive definite.

1.2.7 g)

We have,

$$\chi_G(C_\alpha) = \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} C_\alpha^T \Omega^T \Sigma \Omega C_\alpha \right] \exp [-\bar{C}^T \Omega C_\alpha]$$

and then,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_G^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) &= \chi_G(k_c T^H R_\Lambda) \\ &= \exp \left[\frac{1}{2} k_c^2 R_\Lambda^T T^* \Omega^T \Sigma \Omega T^H R_\Lambda \right] \exp [-k_c \bar{C}^T \Omega T^H R_\Lambda] \end{aligned}$$

we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega T^H &= -iT^T \Omega \\ T^* \Omega^T &= -i\Omega^T T \\ T_k &= k_c T \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_G^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) &= \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} R_\Lambda^T \Omega^T T_k \Sigma T_k^T \Omega R_\Lambda \right] \exp \left[i (T_k \bar{C})^T \Omega R_\Lambda \right] \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} R_\Lambda^T \Omega^T Q \Omega R_\Lambda \right] \exp [i \bar{R}^T \Omega R_\Lambda] \end{aligned}$$

1.2.8 h)

We have the action of a gaussian transformation,

$$\chi_f(C_\alpha) = \chi_i(M_+^{-1}C_\alpha) \exp[C_\alpha^T \Omega D_+].$$

We have the relations,

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_f^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) &= \chi_f(k_c T^H R_\Lambda) \\ \chi_i^{(Q)}(k_c^{-1} T^{-H} C_\alpha) &= \chi_i(C_\alpha),\end{aligned}$$

and so,

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_f^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) &= \chi_i(M_+^{-1} k_c T^H R_\Lambda) \exp[k_c R_\Lambda^T T^* \Omega D_+] \\ &= \chi_i^{(Q)}(T^{-H} M_+^{-1} T^H R_\Lambda) \exp[k_c R_\Lambda^T T^* \Omega D_+].\end{aligned}$$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}T^H &= \frac{1}{2} T^{-1} \\ T^* \Omega &= -i \Omega T\end{aligned}$$

and so,

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_f^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) &= \chi_i^{(Q)}\left((T_k M_+ T_k^{-1})^{-1} R_\Lambda\right) \exp[-i R_\Lambda^T \Omega T_k D_+] \\ &= \chi_i^{(Q)}(S_+^{-1} R_\Lambda) \exp[-i R_\Lambda^T \Omega \mu_+]\end{aligned}$$

1.2.9 i)

Given that the initial state had covariance matrix Σ_i and displacement \bar{C}_i , then we have from the exercise on gaussian transformations, that the final displacement and covariance matrix are,

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{C}_f &= M_+ \bar{C}_i + D_+ \\ \Sigma_f &= M_+ \Sigma_i M_+^T.\end{aligned}$$

Using the result from e) we can convert this to the quadrature representation,

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{R}_f &= T_k M_+ T_k^{-1} \bar{R}_i + T_k D_+ \\ &= S_+ \bar{R}_i + \mu_+\end{aligned}$$

and

$$Q_f = T_k M_+ T_k^{-1} T_k \Sigma_i T_k^T T_k^{-T} M_+^T T_k^T \\ = S_+ Q_i S_+^T.$$

The quadrature characteristic function of a gaussian state ρ_i is given in g),

$$\chi_i^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) = \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} R_\Lambda^T \Omega^T Q_i \Omega R_\Lambda \right] \exp \left[i \bar{R}_i^T \Omega R_\Lambda \right].$$

Transforming the state as,

$$\rho_f = e^{-itH_G} \rho_i e^{itH_G},$$

we know from h) that the quadrature characteristic function of the final state is,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_f^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) &= \exp [i \mu_+^T \Omega R_\Lambda] \chi_i^{(Q)}(S_+^{-1} R_\Lambda) \\ &= \exp [i \mu_+^T \Omega R_\Lambda] \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} (S_+^{-1} R_\Lambda)^T \Omega^T Q_i \Omega S_+^{-1} R_\Lambda \right] \exp [i \bar{R}_i^T \Omega S_+^{-1} R_\Lambda] \\ &= \exp [i \mu_+^T \Omega R_\Lambda] \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} R_\Lambda^T S_+^{-T} \Omega^T Q_i \Omega S_+^{-1} R_\Lambda \right] \exp [i \bar{R}_i^T \Omega S_+^{-1} R_\Lambda] \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} R_\Lambda^T \Omega^T S_+ Q_i S_+^T \Omega R_\Lambda \right] \exp [i (\mu_+ + S_+ \bar{R}_i)^T \Omega R_\Lambda] \\ &= \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} R_\Lambda^T \Omega^T (S_+ Q_i S_+^T) \Omega R_\Lambda \right] \exp [i (\mu_+ + S_+ \bar{R}_i)^T \Omega R_\Lambda]. \end{aligned}$$

1.3 Wigner function

1.3.1 a)

We seek to verify that with the given definition of $W_\rho(R_X)$ we have,

$$\left\langle e^{i R_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \right\rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X W_\rho(R_X) e^{i R_X^T \Omega R_\Lambda}.$$

By explicit calculation and resolving a delta-function, we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X W_\rho(R_X) e^{iR_X^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_Y \chi_\rho^{(Q)}(R_Y) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X e^{iR_X^T \Omega (R_\Lambda - R_Y)} \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_Y \chi_\rho^{(Q)}(R_Y) \delta(R_\Lambda - R_Y) \\
&= \chi_\rho^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) = \left\langle e^{iR_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \right\rangle.
\end{aligned}$$

1.3.2 b)

I)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X W_\rho(R_X) \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_\Lambda \chi_\rho^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X e^{-iR_X^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_\Lambda \chi_\rho^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) \delta(R_\Lambda) \\
&= \chi_\rho^{(Q)}(0) = \text{Tr}\{\rho\} = 1
\end{aligned}$$

II) The expectation value A is,

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle A \rangle &= \text{Tr}\{\rho A\} = \left(\frac{k_c}{2}\right)^{2n} \frac{1}{\pi^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_\Lambda \chi_A^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) \text{Tr}\{\rho \exp[-iR_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda]\} \\
&= \left(\frac{k_c}{2}\right)^{2n} \frac{1}{\pi^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_\Lambda \chi_A^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X W_\rho(R_X) e^{-iR_X^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \right] \\
&= \left(\frac{k_c}{2}\right)^{2n} \frac{(2\pi)^{2n}}{\pi^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X W_\rho(R_X) \left[\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_\Lambda \chi_A^{(Q)}(R_\Lambda) e^{-iR_X^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \right] \\
&= (\pi k_c^2)^n \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_X W_\rho(R_X) W_A(R_X)
\end{aligned}$$

1.3.3 c)

$$W_\rho(R_X) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{2n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2n}} d^{2n} R_\Lambda \text{Tr}\left\{\rho e^{iR_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda}\right\} e^{-iR_X^T \Omega R_\Lambda}$$

We perform the trace in the position basis,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{Tr} \left\{ \rho e^{iR_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \right\} \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n x \langle x | \rho e^{iR_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda} | x \rangle \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n x \langle x | \rho e^{-i \frac{k_c^2}{4} \Lambda_p^T \Lambda_q} e^{iq^T \Lambda_p} e^{-ip^T \Lambda_q} | x \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

We make the identification,

$$e^{-ip^T \Lambda_q} | x \rangle = | x + \Lambda_q \frac{k_c^2}{2} \rangle$$

and so,

$$\text{Tr} \left\{ \rho e^{iR_Q^T \Omega R_\Lambda} \right\} = e^{i \frac{k_c^2}{4} \Lambda_q^T \Lambda_p} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n x e^{ix^T \Lambda_p} \langle x | \rho | x + \Lambda_q \frac{k_c^2}{2} \rangle$$

and so we have the Wigner function,

$$\begin{aligned}
W_\rho(R_X) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n \Lambda_q \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n x e^{iX_p^T \Lambda_q} \langle x | \rho | x + \Lambda_q \frac{k_c^2}{2} \rangle \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n \Lambda_p e^{i \left(\frac{k_c^2}{4} \Lambda_q + x - X_q \right)^T \Lambda_p} \\
&= \left(\frac{4}{k_c^2} \right)^n \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n \Lambda_q \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n x e^{iX_p^T \Lambda_q} \langle x | \rho | x + \Lambda_q \frac{k_c^2}{2} \rangle \delta^{(n)} \left(\Lambda_q - \frac{4}{k_c^2} [X_q - x] \right) \\
&= \left(\frac{4}{k_c^2} \right)^n \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n x e^{i4k_c^{-2} X_p^T [X_q - x]} \langle x | \rho | 2X_q - x \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

We shift to the integration variable $y = X_q - x$, then,

$$W_\rho(R_X) = \left(\frac{2}{\pi k_c^2} \right)^n \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} d^n y e^{i4k_c^{-2} X_p^T y} \langle X_q - y | \rho | X_q + y \rangle$$