

第七讲

前几次课讨论了：统计物理的零序理论

指出：在描述宏观系统的性质时需要引入对称性、自发破缺的概念。

实验测量 χ_k 用 linear response theory 描述，发现系统的响应与平衡系统的关联函数相关。

问题：

有没有更方便的方法或语言来计算这些关联函数，或者给我们一些对这些关联函数的直观和定性的理解？

答案是有的。这一方法或语言称之为 **路径积分方法**

利用这一方法，我们将 $\text{Tr} e^{iH}$ 表成对“路径”的求和。每一条路径都有一个权重。路径在 $d+1$ 维“时空”之中。

- 权重不一定为实数。当其为实数时，对应一个 $d+1$ 维空间中经典模型
- 量子系统有其特有的 **Berry phase**，属于新的物理。

我们回顾一下经典力学： 质点动力学

Lagrangian: $L = p \cdot \dot{x} - H(x, p)$ (以单粒子为例) 另一种表示: $L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$

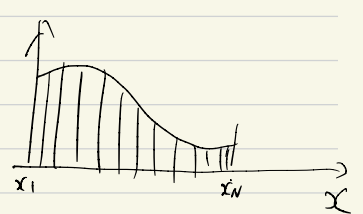
Action: $S = \int dt L(x, \dot{x}, p)$

最小作用量原理: $\delta S = 0$. 可导出运动方程.

S 是 L 的泛函 (functional):

$$F: f(x) \in H \rightarrow F \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\downarrow L$ $\downarrow S$



可理解为 $F(f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_N))$ 多元函数. 那么 $\delta F = \sum_i \frac{\partial F}{\partial f(x_i)} \Delta f(x_i)$

$$S = \sum_{t_i} L(x(t_i), \dot{x}(t_i), p(t_i))$$

$$\delta S = \sum_{t_i} \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial x(t_i)} \Delta x(t_i) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}(t_i)} \Delta \dot{x}(t_i) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial p(t_i)} \Delta p(t_i) \right]$$

$$= \int dt \left(\delta x(t) \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} + \delta \dot{x}(t) \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \delta p(t) \frac{\partial L}{\partial p} \right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{分部}}{=} \int dt \left\{ \underbrace{\delta x(t) \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right)}_{\text{泛函导数 } \frac{\delta S}{\delta x}} + \underbrace{\delta p(t) \frac{\partial L}{\partial p}}_{\frac{\delta S}{\delta p}} \right\} \quad \left(\text{利用 } \delta x \text{ 在 } t_i \text{ 与 } t_f \text{ 为零} \right)$$

任意 $\delta x(t)$ 与 $\delta p(t)$, 皆有 $\delta S = 0$. \Rightarrow ① $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = 0$ 此为拉格朗日方程.

② $\frac{\partial L}{\partial p} = 0$

③④ 可改写为: $\int -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = \frac{dp}{dt}$ 此为 Hamilton Eq.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}$$

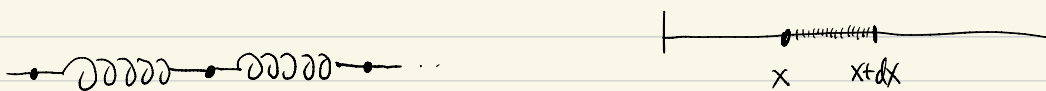
例子: 一维谐振子

牛顿方程: 设 $V(x) = \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$. $m \ddot{x} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = -m \omega^2 x$

拉氏方程: $L = p \dot{x} - \frac{p^2}{2m} - \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$. $\frac{\partial L}{\partial p} = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{x} = \frac{p}{m}$; $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = 0 \Rightarrow -m \omega^2 x = \frac{dp}{dt} = m \ddot{x}$

哈密顿方程: $\frac{dp}{dt} = -m \omega^2 x$; $\dot{x} = \frac{p}{m}$ 将 $\dot{x} = \frac{p}{m}$ 代入 L , 得 $L = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 = T - V$

推广到多粒子系统:



N 个质点用全同弹簧相连. 弹性系数为 k , y_i 为第 i 个质点对平衡位置 o 的偏离, a 是质点平衡距离:

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i^N [m \dot{y}_i^2 - k (y_{i+1} - y_i)^2] = \sum_i \frac{a}{2} \left[\frac{m}{a} \dot{y}_i^2 - k a \left(\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{a} \right)^2 \right] = \sum_i a \mathcal{L}_i$$

\mathcal{L}_i 就是 Lagrangian density: 单位长度拉氏量

推广到连续系统. 考虑 $dx \gg a \rightarrow 0$ $\sum_i a = \int \frac{dx}{a} \cdot a$ $\frac{m \cdot \frac{dx}{a}}{dx} = \frac{m}{a} \rightarrow \mu$ 质量密度,

$$\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{a} = \frac{y(x+dx) - y(x)}{dx} \rightarrow \frac{\partial y(x)}{\partial x}, \quad k a \rightarrow Y = \text{Young's modulus}, \quad \frac{Y}{2} \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^2: \text{单位长度势能}$$

$$L = \int \mathcal{L} dx, \quad \text{其中 } \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\mu \dot{y}^2 - Y \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right] \leftarrow \text{拉氏密度}$$

注意 $y_i \rightarrow y(x, t)$ 连续空间与时间函数.

$$\delta S = \delta \int_{t_i}^{t_f} L dt = \delta \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \int dx \mathcal{L} \left(y, \dot{y}, \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$= \int dt \int dx \left\{ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)} \frac{\partial (\delta y)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right)} \frac{\partial (\delta y)}{\partial t} \right\}$$

$$= \int dt \int dx \left\{ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} \delta y - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)} \right) \delta y - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right)} \right) \delta y \right\}$$

这里作了分部积分, 利用了 t_i 与 t_f , x 边界, y 值确定, 即 $\delta y = 0$

$$\delta S = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right)} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = 0}$$

对于我们的弹簧链, 它是

$$\boxed{Y \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} - \mu \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = 0}$$

这是波动方程, 波速 $U = \sqrt{Y/\mu}$ ($= \omega/k$)

\mathcal{L} 对应 Hamiltonian density: $\mathcal{H} = \dot{y} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{y}} - \mathcal{L}$, $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{y}}$ 对应动量.

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \mu \dot{y}^2 + \frac{1}{2} Y \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^2 = T + V$$

推广到二维: mattress (床垫思).

习惯上: $y \rightarrow \psi$, $\mu \rightarrow \sigma$, $x \rightarrow \rho$

$$\mathcal{L}(\psi) = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \rho \left[\left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$S = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \int d^2x \mathcal{L}(\psi)$$

$$\delta S = 0 \Rightarrow -\sigma \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t^2} + \rho \left(\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} \right) = 0$$

$$\text{即 } \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \nabla^2 \psi = 0$$

$$c = \sqrt{\rho/\sigma} \text{ 为声速.}$$

更一般地, 考虑 场点之间互作用包括: $-\tau \psi^2 - \xi \psi^4 + \dots$

定义 $x_0 = ct$, $x_1 = x$, $x_2 = y$

$$S = \int d^d x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial \psi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \psi^2 - \frac{1}{3!} g \psi^3 - \frac{1}{4!} \lambda \psi^4 + \dots \right]$$

$$(\partial \psi)^2 = \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_0} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_1} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_2} \right)^2$$

这即是 **Landau-Ginzburg 作用量**, 具有 Lorentz-invariant 即对 tSx 同阶的坐标.

4 维时空: $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \partial^\mu \psi \partial^\nu \psi - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \psi^2$

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ 度规 metric}$$

$$\delta S = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \psi} + \partial_\mu \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_\mu \psi} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{\psi} - \nabla \cdot \nabla \psi + m^2 \psi = 0$$

$$\text{简写了} \Rightarrow \partial_\mu \partial^\mu \psi + m^2 \psi = 0 \leftarrow \text{Klein-Gordon 方程.}$$

$$\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \equiv g_{\mu\nu} \partial^\mu \partial^\nu$$

约定: 垂直指标求和 2. $a^\mu \equiv (a^0, \vec{a})$ 反协变 4 次, $a_\mu = g_{\mu\nu} a^\nu = (a^0, -\vec{a})$
 $a^\mu = g^{\mu\nu} a_\nu$

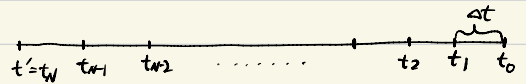
量子力学路径积分形式:

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = H \psi \Rightarrow |\psi(t')\rangle = \hat{U}(t', t_0) |\psi(t_0)\rangle, \quad \hat{U} = e^{-iH(t'-t_0)} \quad (\hbar=1)$$

$$\psi(x, t) = \langle x' | \psi(t) \rangle = \int \langle x' | \hat{U}(t', t_0) | x \rangle \langle x | \psi(t_0) \rangle dx = \int \langle x' | \hat{U}(t', t_0) | x \rangle \psi(x, t_0) dx$$

我们记 $\langle x' | \hat{U}(t', t_0) | x \rangle = U(x', t'; x, t_0)$, 称其为传播子:

将 $t'-t$ 这段时间分成 N 份: $t'-t = N\Delta t$.



$$\hat{U} = e^{-iH(t'-t_0)} = e^{-iH(t'-t_{N-1})} \cdot e^{-iH(t_{N-1}-t_{N-2})} \cdots e^{-iH(t_1-t_0)}$$

$$\langle x' | \hat{U} | x \rangle = \int \langle x' | e^{-iH\Delta t} | x_{N-1} \rangle \langle x_{N-1} | e^{-iH\Delta t} | x_{N-2} \rangle \cdots \langle x_1 | e^{-iH\Delta t} | x \rangle dx_{N-1} \cdots dx_1$$

考虑 $\langle x_{k+1} | e^{-iH\Delta t} | x_k \rangle \approx \langle x_{k+1} | (1 - iH\Delta t) | x_k \rangle$ ($\because \Delta t \rightarrow 0$) 这里 k 对应时刻 $t_k = t_0 + k \cdot \Delta t$

$$\text{其中 } \langle x_{k+1} | H | x_k \rangle = \int \langle x_{k+1} | p_k \rangle \langle p_k | H | x_k \rangle dp_k$$

由于 $\hat{H}(x, \hat{p})$ 是 x 与 \hat{p} 的函数. $\hat{p} | p_k \rangle = p_k | p_k \rangle \Rightarrow \langle p_k | \hat{H} | x_k \rangle = H(x_k, p_k) \langle p_k | x_k \rangle$

$$\text{又: } \langle x_k | p_k \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{ip_k x_k}, \quad \langle p_k | x_k \rangle = \langle x_k | p_k \rangle^*$$

$$\text{我们有: } \langle x_{k+1} | e^{-iH\Delta t} | x_k \rangle = \langle x_{k+1} | x_k \rangle - i\Delta t \langle x_{k+1} | H | x_k \rangle = \int dp_k \langle x_{k+1} | p_k \rangle \langle p_k | x_k \rangle (1 - i\Delta t H(x_k, p_k))$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dp_k}{2\pi} e^{ip_k(x_{k+1}-x_k) - i\Delta t H(x_k, p_k)}$$

$$\text{最后: } \langle x' | \hat{U} | x \rangle = \int \frac{dp_{N-1} \cdots dp_0}{(2\pi)^N} \int dx_{N-1} \cdots dx_1 e^{i \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} [p_k(x_{k+1}-x_k) - H(x_k, p_k)]}$$

取极限 $N \rightarrow \infty, \Delta t \rightarrow 0, x_{k+1} - x_k = \dot{x}(t) dt$

$$\langle x' | \hat{U} | x \rangle = \int_{x(t_0)=x}^{x(t)=x'} \mathcal{D}P(t) \mathcal{D}x(t) e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} \mathcal{S}}, \quad \mathcal{S} = \int_{t_0}^{t'} dt [p(t) \dot{x}(t) - H(x(t), p(t))]$$

量子力学: 从 (x, t_0) 到 (x', t) 有无穷多条可能的路径 (path). 每条路径的几率幅 (或“权重”) 为 $e^{iS/\hbar}$

由于 \hbar 非常小, S 的微小变化可导致 $e^{iS/\hbar}$ 的剧烈变化.

但在 $\delta S = 0$ 的路径“附近”, $e^{iS/\hbar}$ 不变. 因此, 这样的路径对积分贡献大, 也就是经典力学给出的路径.

• 动能的积分路径可以求出:

$$\text{利用 } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp e^{-\frac{p^2}{2m\hbar}} = \sqrt{2\pi m\hbar}, \quad \text{配方 } p(t)\dot{x}(t) - \frac{p^2(t)}{2m} = -\frac{(p-m\dot{x})^2}{2m} + \frac{m}{2}\dot{x}^2$$

$$\langle x' | \hat{U} | x \rangle = \left(\frac{m}{2\pi i \hbar \Delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \int \mathcal{D}x e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} S}, \quad S = \int_{t_0}^t dt \left[\frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - V(x(t)) \right], \quad \text{即通常的 } L = T - V$$

$$\text{重新定义 } \int_x^{x'} \mathcal{D}(x) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{m}{2\pi i \hbar \Delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \int dx_N \cdots dx_1$$

$$\langle x' | \hat{U} | x \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}x e^{iS/\hbar}$$