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Feb. 23rd (Tue.)	Introduction	Scope	<input type="checkbox"/> Your and My Expectations. <input type="checkbox"/> What is the nature of light? <input type="checkbox"/> Anything else ?
Feb. 26th (Fri.)	Simple Harmonic Oscillator (SHO)	<input type="checkbox"/> classical trajectory <input type="checkbox"/> analogue to EM waves	<input type="checkbox"/> Bohmian mechanics <input type="checkbox"/> Inverted SHO <input type="checkbox"/>
week 1 (3/2, 3/9)	Quantum SHO	<input type="checkbox"/> Fock states, $ n\rangle$ <input type="checkbox"/> creation operator, $\hat{a}^\dagger$	<input type="checkbox"/> single-photon detection <input type="checkbox"/> Wave-Particle Duality <input type="checkbox"/> photon-number resolving <input type="checkbox"/>
(3/12, 3/16, 3/19)		<input type="checkbox"/> Vacuum state <input type="checkbox"/> Quantum Fluctuations	<input type="checkbox"/> Shot Noise Limit <input type="checkbox"/> Casimir Force <input type="checkbox"/>
week 2 (3/23, 3/26)	Quantum Mechanics	<input type="checkbox"/> Schrödinger picture <input type="checkbox"/> Heisenberg picture <input type="checkbox"/> Interaction picture	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncertainty Relation <input type="checkbox"/> Probability Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> Measurement problem <input type="checkbox"/> Non-locality <input type="checkbox"/> Macrorealism <input type="checkbox"/>
week 3 (3/30, 4/2, 4/6)	Coherent states, $ \alpha\rangle$	<input type="checkbox"/> photon statistics <input type="checkbox"/> bunching <input type="checkbox"/> Correlation function	<input type="checkbox"/> Minimum Uncertainty States <input type="checkbox"/> Classical-Quantum boundary <input type="checkbox"/>
week 4 (4/9, 4/13)	Quantum Phase Space	<input type="checkbox"/> Wigner function	<input type="checkbox"/> Quasi-probability <input type="checkbox"/> Quantum State Tomography <input type="checkbox"/>
week 5 (4/20, 4/23)	Squeezed states	<input type="checkbox"/> $ \xi\rangle$ <input type="checkbox"/> OPO	<input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Variables <input type="checkbox"/>
week 6 (4/27, 4/29)	Two-mode Squeezed states	<input type="checkbox"/> EPR pair <input type="checkbox"/> Cat states <input type="checkbox"/> non-Gaussian states	<input type="checkbox"/> Quantum Discord <input type="checkbox"/> Entanglement <input type="checkbox"/> Steering <input type="checkbox"/> Bell's inequality <input type="checkbox"/>
week 7 (5/4, 5/7)	Optical devices	<input type="checkbox"/> Beam splitter <input type="checkbox"/> Mach-Zehnder interferometer	<input type="checkbox"/> linear optics <input type="checkbox"/>
week 8 (5/11, 5/14)	Interferometry	<input type="checkbox"/> Young's Interferometry, $g^{(1)}$ <input type="checkbox"/> HBT-Interferometry, $g^{(2)}$	<input type="checkbox"/> Quantum Phase Estimation <input type="checkbox"/> Quantum Fisher Information <input type="checkbox"/>

# From Scratch !!

- How much do you know about Quantum SHO ?

# Note: Quantum SHO

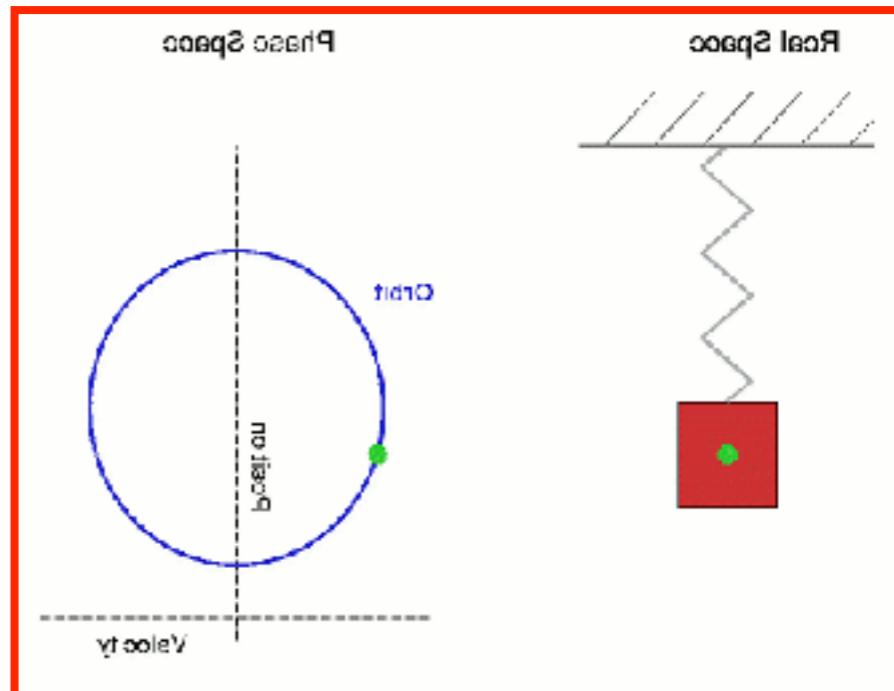
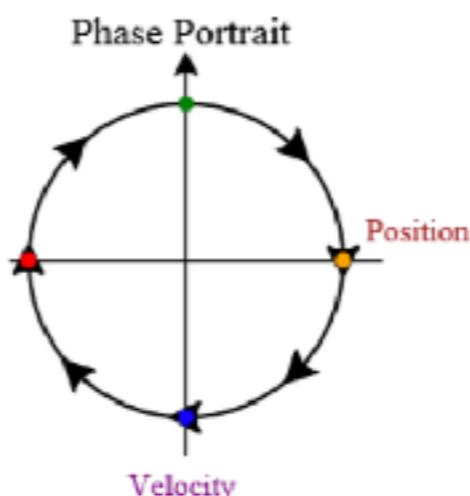
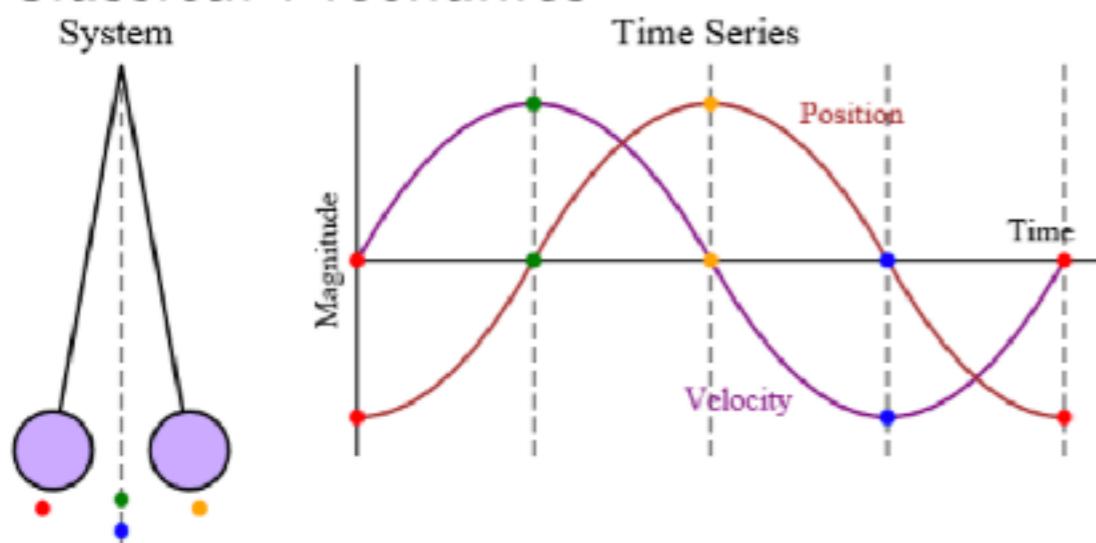
- **Quantum Simple Harmonic Oscillator, qSHO**
- **Hamiltonian**
- **Number operator**
- **Energy Quantization (equally spacing in energy)**
- **Vacuum state with zero-point energy**
- **Schrodinger picture**
- **Heisenberg picture**
- More on qSHO
  - Quantum SHO in phase space
  - Parity-Time symmetric SHO

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# Simple Harmonic Oscillator, SHO

- Classical Mechanics



$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a} = m \frac{d^2 \vec{x}}{dt^2} = -k \vec{x}.$$

$$\vec{x}(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 t + \phi_0), \quad \omega_0^2 = \frac{k}{m},$$

$$H = \text{K.E.} + \text{P.E.} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p^2}{m} + \frac{1}{2} k x^2.$$

- Newton's law
- Hooke's law
- Linear force (parabolic potential)
- Hamiltonian (energy) is constant (conserved).
- Equally distributions in KE and PE
- Sinusoidal motion
- Periodic orbit (trajectory) in phase space
- Response bandwidth

# Simple Harmonic Oscillator, SHO

<b>SHO</b>	<b>EM waves</b>	<b>Quantum</b>
particle	(transverse) mode	wave-particle
Newton's law	Maxwell's eqs	Schrodinger/Heisenberg eq. Quantum Liouville eq. Dirac eq.
sinusoidal sol.	plane wave sol.	harmonic waves
KE+PE	Poynting energy	Hamiltonian energy
Kinetic Energy	Diffraction/Dispersion	free-particle expansion
Potential Energy	refractive index change (GRIN lens)	Potential Energy
Trajectory	Phasor	Probability distribution (Husimi function)
x, p canonical coordinates	quadrature	$[\hat{X}, \hat{P}]$

# What is Quantum !?

Quantum  
Mechanics

Energy  
Quanta

Wavefunction  
Collapse  
(decoherence)

Non-Classicality

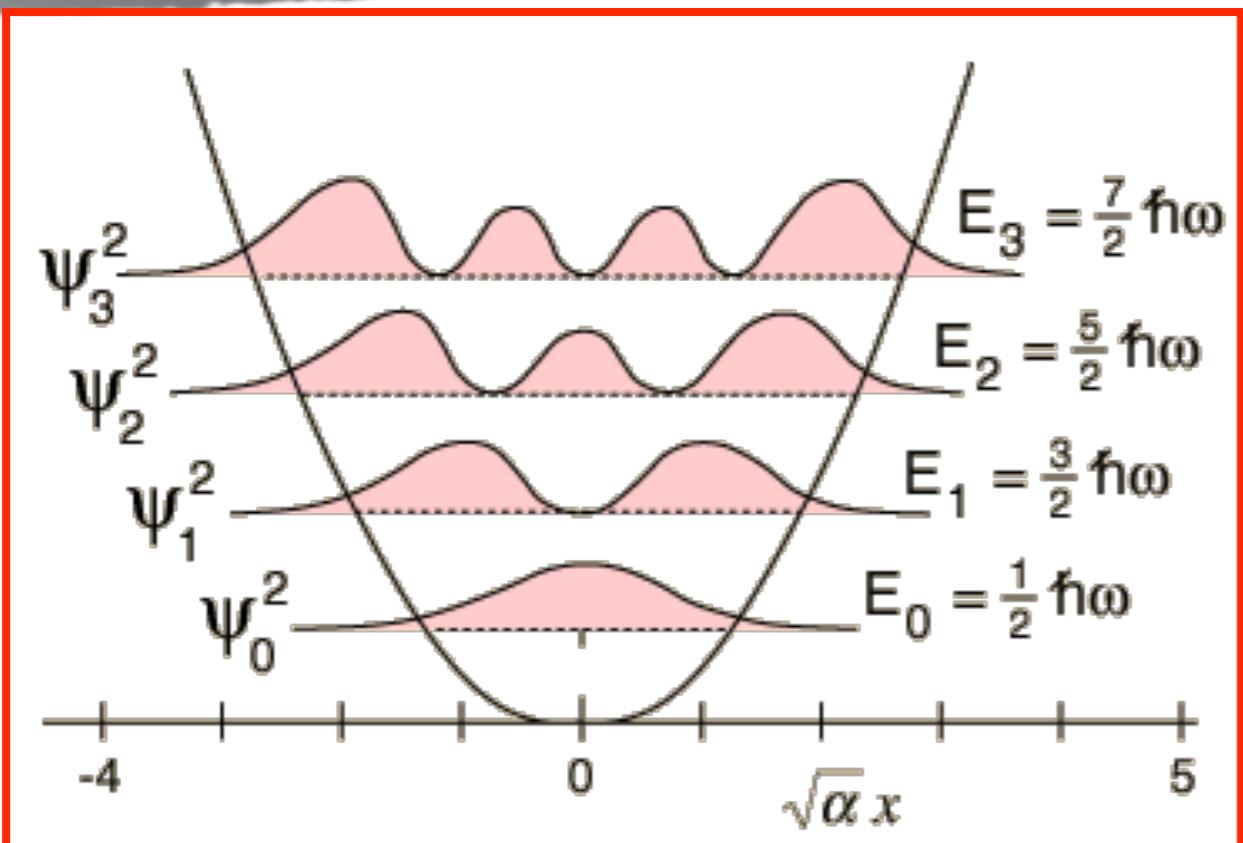
Schrödinger's Cat  
Realism

Bell's inequality  
Non-locality

Steering

Entanglement  
(EPR-pair)

# Quantum Simple Harmonic Oscillator (SHO)



- Energy quantization
- Equally spacing in energy difference
- Zero-point energy  $\neq 0$

$$\psi(\xi) = H_n(\xi) \exp[-\xi^2/2], \quad \epsilon = 2n + 1, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

$$E = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} \epsilon = \hbar\omega(n + \frac{1}{2}), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\hat{p}^2}{m} + \frac{1}{2} k \hat{x}^2, \quad [\hat{x}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar.$$

$$\hat{H} = \hbar\omega(\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}). \quad [\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] = 1,$$

$\hat{N} n\rangle$	$=$	$n n\rangle$ ,
$\hat{a} n\rangle$	$=$	$\sqrt{n} n-1\rangle$ ,
$\hat{a}^\dagger n\rangle$	$=$	$\sqrt{n+1} n+1\rangle$ ,
$E_n$	$=$	$\hbar\omega(n + \frac{1}{2})$ .



# Quantum Mechanics: Schrodinger's picture

The equation of motion of a quantum state is described by the Schrödinger's equation:

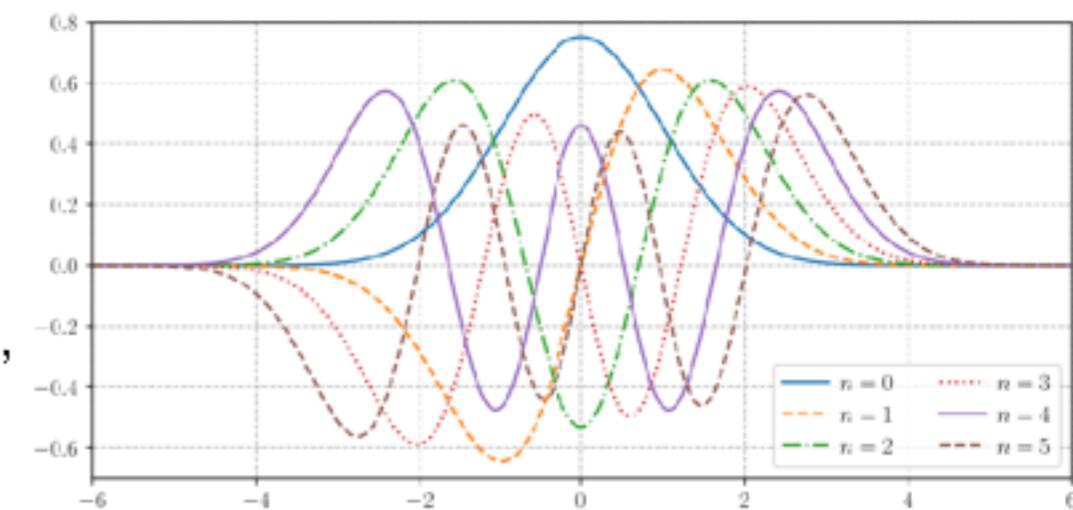
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\phi\rangle = \hat{H} |\phi\rangle.$$

For the eigen-state of SHO Hamiltonian,

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\hat{p}^2}{m} + \frac{1}{2} k \hat{x}^2,$$

we have

$$\left[ \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \left( E - \frac{1}{2} k x^2 \right) \right] \psi(x) = 0,$$



$$\left[ \frac{d^2}{d\xi^2} + (\epsilon - \xi^2) \right] \psi(\xi) = 0, \quad \epsilon = \frac{2E}{\hbar\omega},$$

which gives the *Hermite-Gaussian* solutions associated with Hermite polynomials  $H_n$

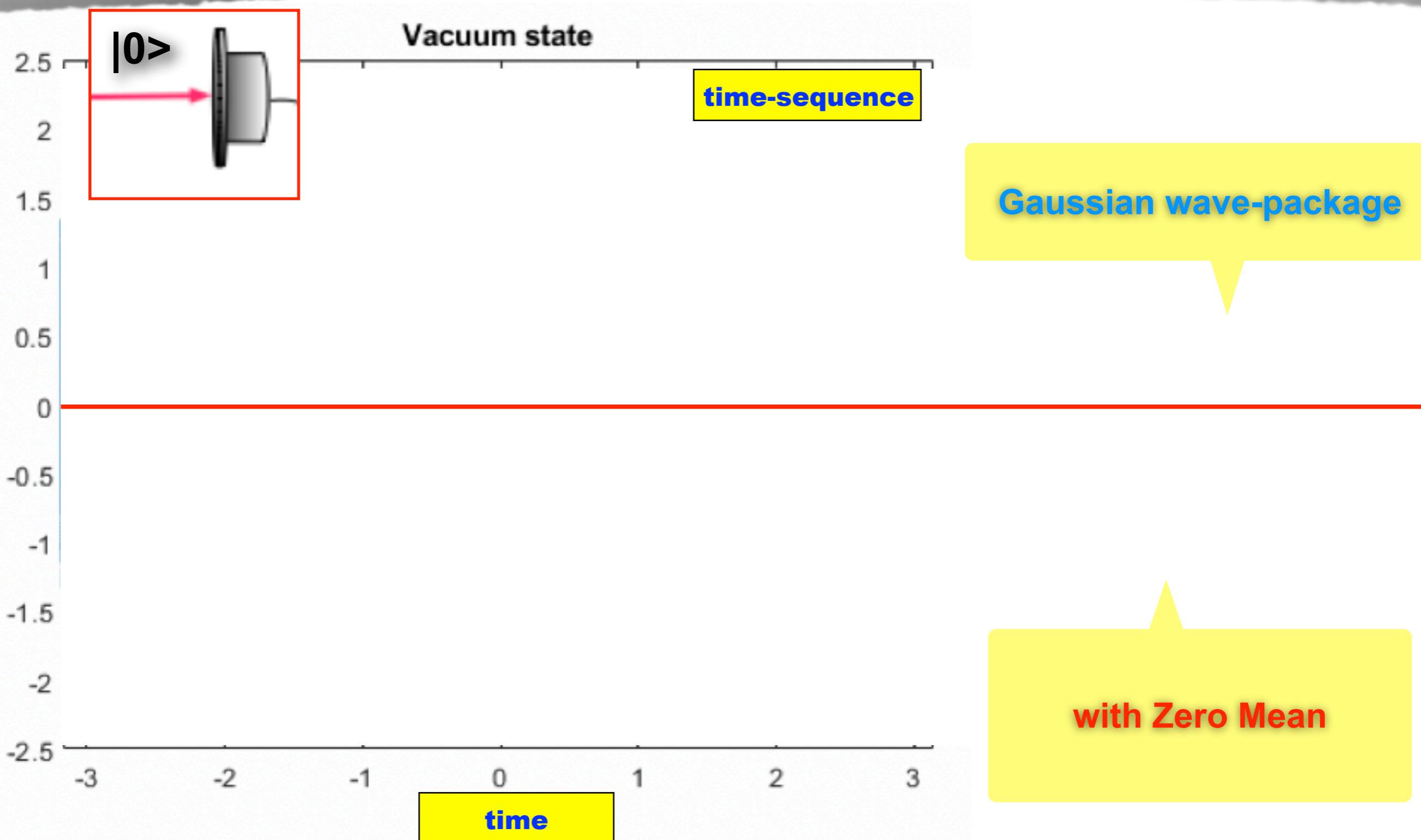
$$\psi(\xi) = H_n(\xi) \exp[-\xi^2/2], \quad \epsilon = 2n + 1, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

For the corresponding eigen-energy:

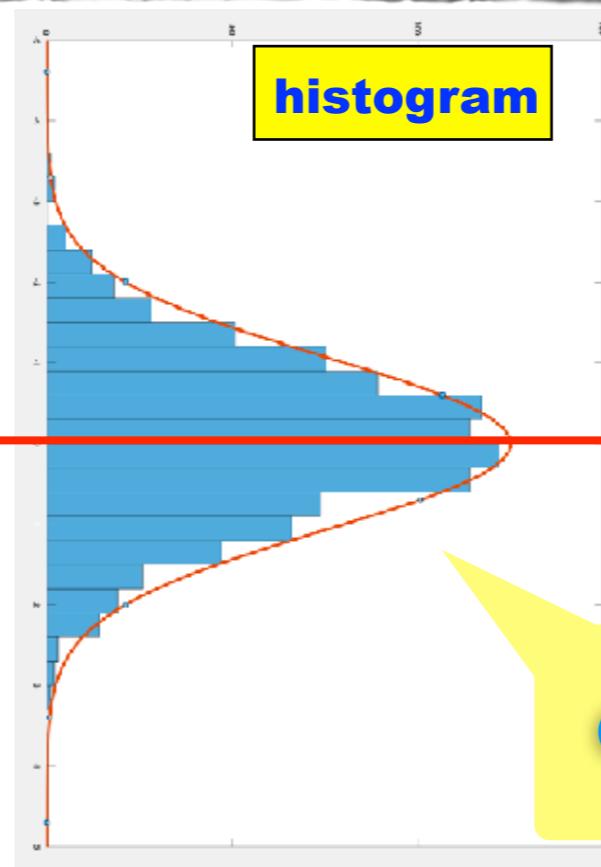
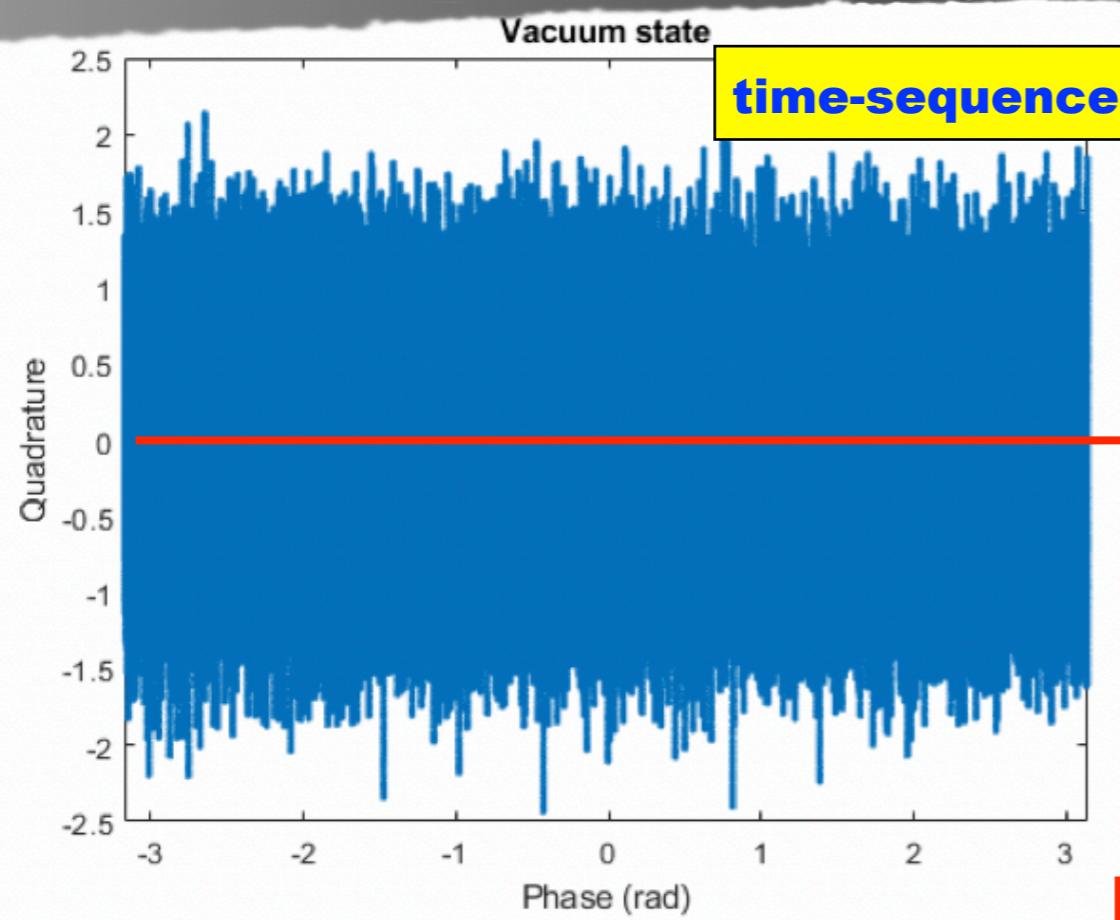
$$E = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} \epsilon = \hbar\omega \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



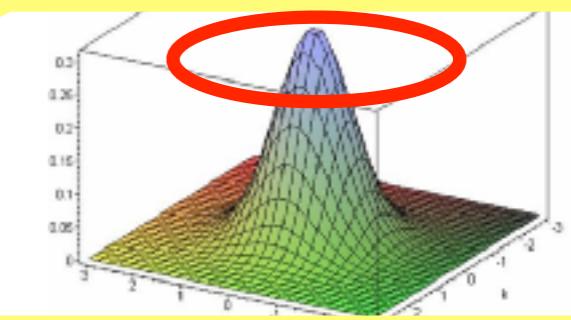
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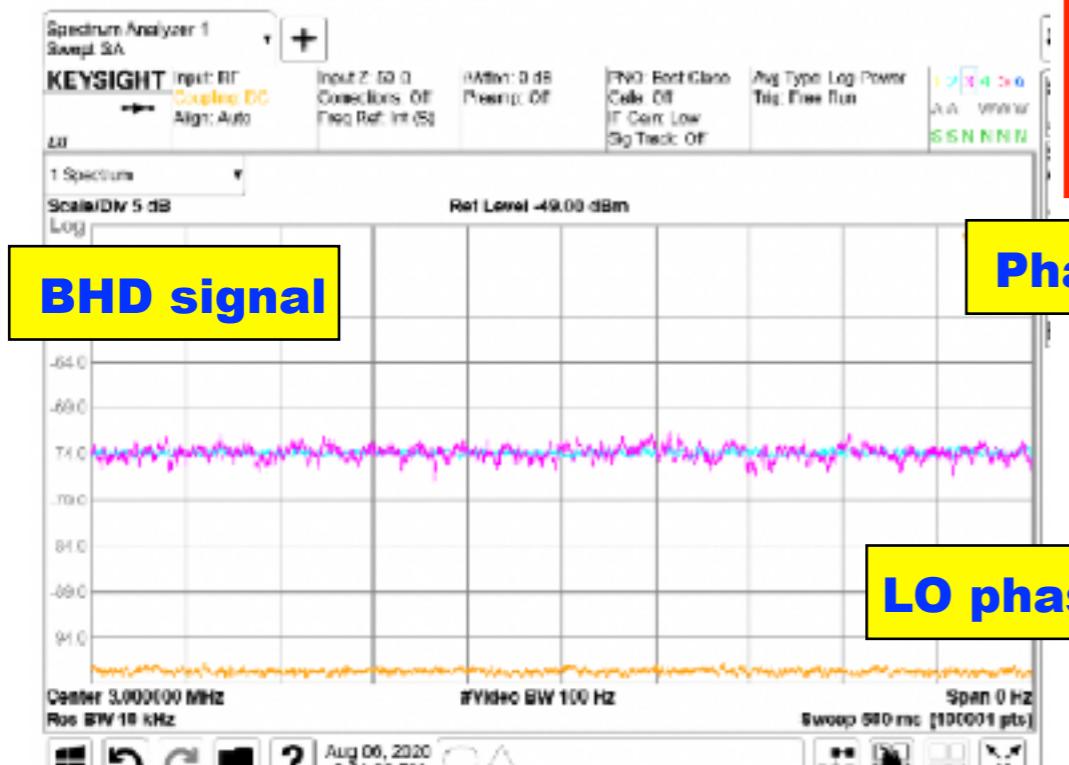
with Zero Mean



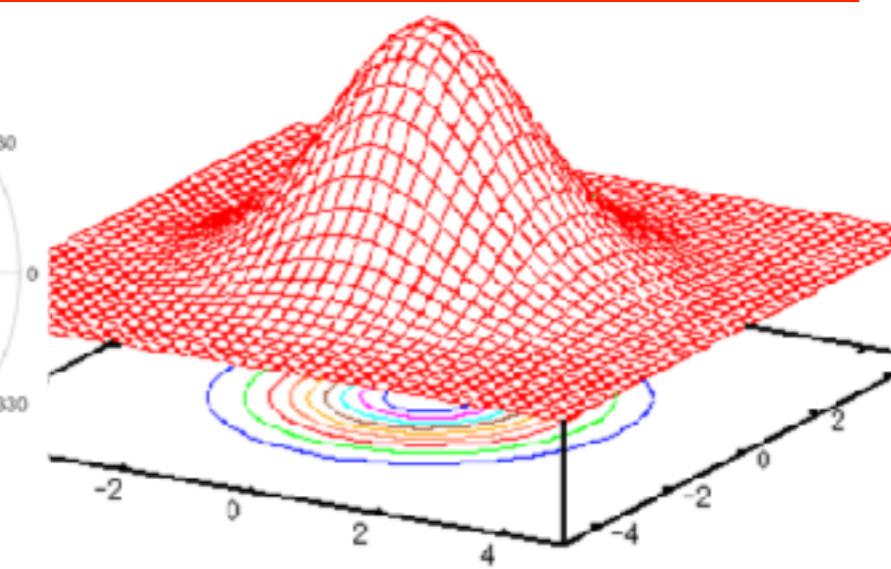
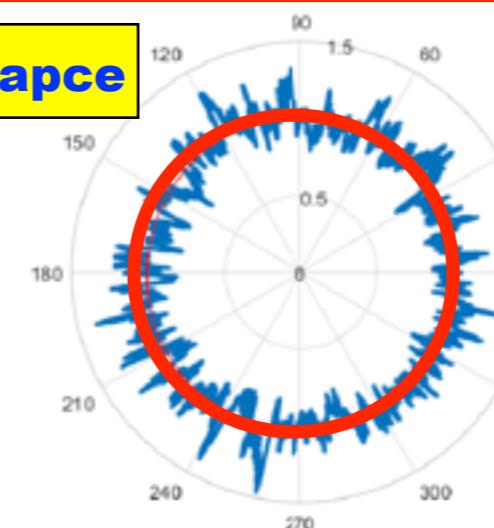
**Gaussian wave-package**

$$\Psi(x) = \langle x | 0 \rangle = C \exp[-x^2/\Delta x^2]$$

$$\tilde{\Psi}(p) = \langle p | 0 \rangle = C \exp[-\Delta x^2 p^2]$$



**Phase Sapce**



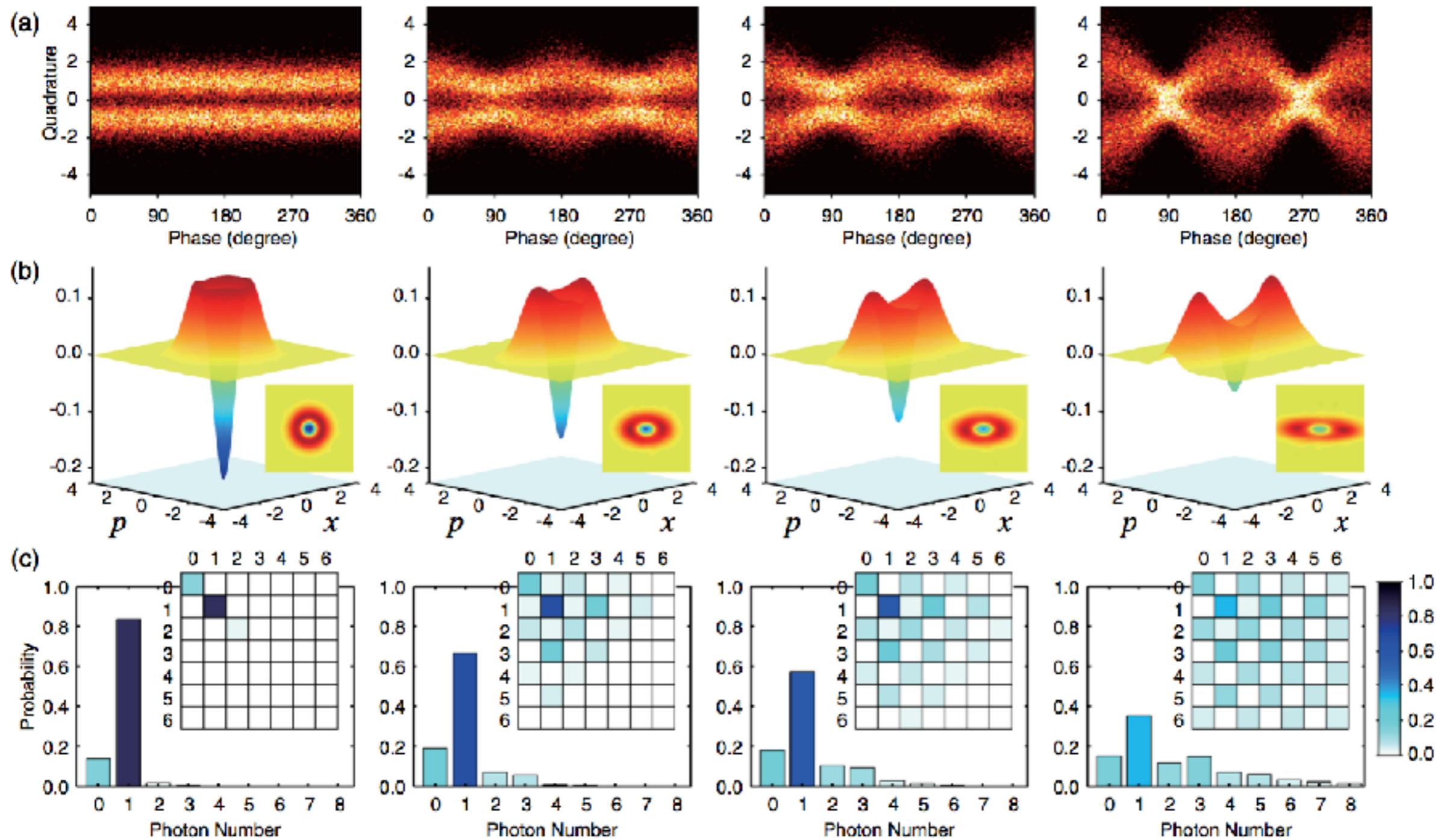


FIG. 2 (color online). Experimental quantum states for the conversion from particle to wave. The leftmost column shows the input single-photon state, while the other three columns show the output states for a squeezing parameter  $\gamma$  of 0.26, 0.37, and 0.67, from left to right. (a) Quadrature distributions over a period. (b) Wigner functions. (c) Photon number distributions and photon number representation of density matrices. The minimum value of  $-0.22$  for the input Wigner function becomes, respectively,  $-0.15$ ,  $-0.12$ , and  $-0.06$ , after the conversion.

# Quantum Mechanics: Heisenberg's picture

$$\hat{H} = \hbar\omega(\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}).$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{a} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}}[m\omega\hat{x} + i\hat{p}], \\ \hat{a}^\dagger &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}}[m\omega\hat{x} - i\hat{p}].\end{aligned}$$

$$[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] = 1,$$

Heisenberg's equation: The dynamics of the operator is governed by the Heisenberg's equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{O} = \frac{1}{i\hbar}[\hat{O}, \hat{H}].$$

For the annihilation operator of SHO,  $\hat{a}$ , we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{a} = \frac{1}{i\hbar}[\hat{a}, \hbar\omega(\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2})] = -i\omega\hat{a},$$

with the solution

$$\hat{a}(t) = \hat{a}(t=0)\exp[-i\omega t].$$



# Quantum Mechanics: Heisenberg's picture

1.  $\hat{a}$  and  $\hat{a}^\dagger$  are *NOT* Hermitian operators, i.e.,  $\hat{a} \neq \hat{a}^\dagger$ , for which no real eigenvalue are generated.
2. Number operator: An Hermitian operator can be defined as  $\hat{N} \equiv \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}$ .
3. The commutation relations with the SHO Hamiltonian are:

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{H}, \hat{a}] &= -\hbar\omega \hat{a}, \\ [\hat{H}, \hat{a}^\dagger] &= \hbar\omega \hat{a}^\dagger, \end{aligned}$$

4. Raising (step-up) and Lowering (step-down) operators: Consider the eigen-state of SHO Hamiltonian,  $\hat{H}|\phi\rangle = E|\phi\rangle$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}\hat{a}|\phi\rangle &= (E - \hbar\omega)\hat{a}|\phi\rangle, \\ \hat{H}\hat{a}^\dagger|\phi\rangle &= (E + \hbar\omega)\hat{a}^\dagger|\phi\rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\hat{a}|\phi\rangle$  and  $\hat{a}^\dagger|\phi\rangle$  are also eigen-states of SHO, but with the eigen-values  $E - \hbar\omega$  and  $E + \hbar\omega$ , respectively.  $|\phi\rangle$  is a *discrete* states, denoted as  $|n\rangle$  in the following.

# Quantum Mechanics: Heisenberg's picture

5. Ground state:

$$\langle \phi | \hat{H} | \phi \rangle = \hbar\omega \langle \phi | \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2} | \phi \rangle, \geq \frac{\hbar\omega}{2}.$$

Based on above, we denote the ground state as  $|n = 0\rangle = |0\rangle$ , with the energy  $E_0 = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega$ , which is the eigen-state of

$$\hat{a}|0\rangle = 0, \quad \text{the lowest energy state.}$$

6. Exited state:

$$|n\rangle = (\hat{a}^\dagger)^n |0\rangle,$$

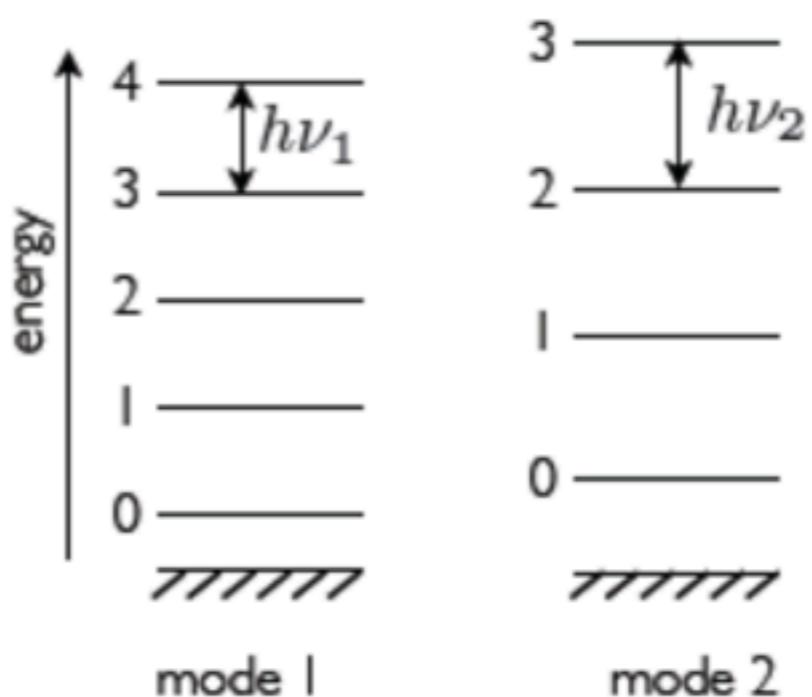
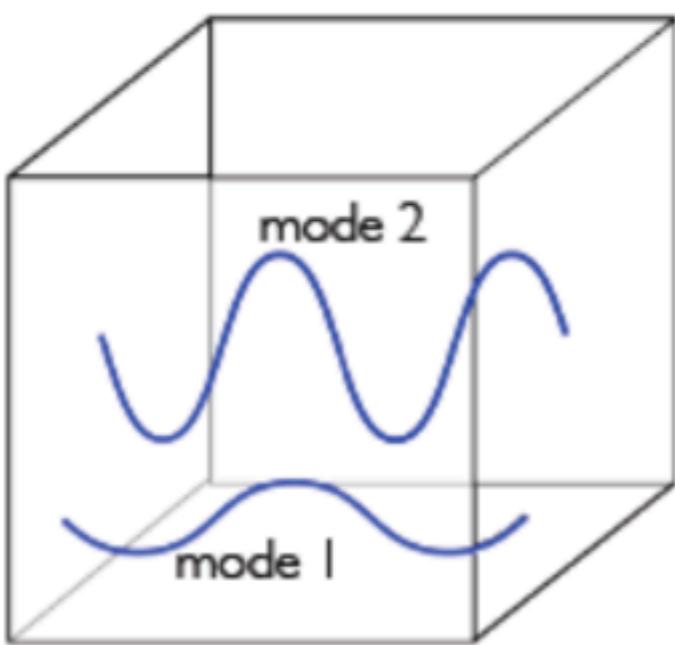
with the energy

$$E_n = \hbar\omega(n + \frac{1}{2}).$$

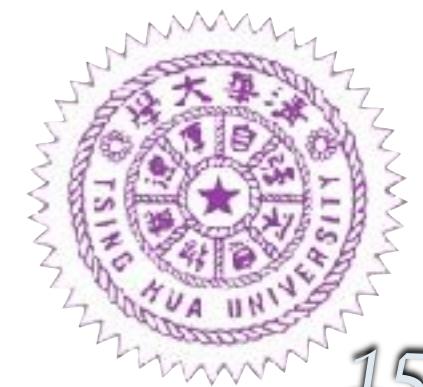
7. Normalization constants:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{N}|n\rangle &= n|n\rangle, \\ \hat{a}|n\rangle &= C_n |n-1\rangle = \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle, \\ \hat{a}^\dagger |n\rangle &= C_{n+1} |n+1\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |n+1\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

# Quantized EM fields



- Energy quantization:  $nh\nu$
- Equally spacing in energy difference
- Zero-point energy  $\neq 0, \frac{h\nu}{2}$
- Characterized by mode (frequency, space mode, temporal mode, ...)



# More on Quantum SHO





## Local $\mathcal{PT}$ Symmetry Violates the No-Signaling Principle

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### Synopsis: Reflecting on an Alternative Quantum Theory



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### Simulating Broken $\mathcal{PT}$ -Symmetric Hamiltonian Systems by Weak Measurement

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# Parity-Time Hamiltonian

- Generalized Harmonic Oscillator (continuous):

$$\mathcal{H} = p^2 + x^2 (ix)^\epsilon$$

- Spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  or two-mode coupler (discrete):

$$H = s \begin{pmatrix} i \sin \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & -i \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

- Consider a family of differential equations parameterized by a continuous parameter  $\epsilon > 0$  in the form:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi(x)}{\partial x^2} + V_\epsilon(x)\psi(x) + 2E\psi(x) = 0, \quad (1)$$

- Here, let us specify the definition of  $V_\epsilon(x) = -(ix)^\epsilon$ , by stating explicitly the branch of logarithm :

$$V_\epsilon(x) = -(ix)^\epsilon = e^{\epsilon \log(ix)} = \begin{cases} -|x|^\epsilon \left[ \cos(\epsilon \frac{\pi}{2}) + i \sin(\epsilon \frac{\pi}{2}) \right], & \text{for } x > 0; \\ 0, & \text{for } x = 0; \\ -|x|^\epsilon \left[ \cos(\epsilon \frac{\pi}{2}) - i \sin(\epsilon \frac{\pi}{2}) \right], & \text{for } x < 0. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

- In a Fock state basis, an analytical formula for the matrix element  $a_{nm}(\epsilon) = \langle m | H_\epsilon | n \rangle$  of  $H_\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{V_\epsilon(x)}{2}$  can be constructed for any natural number  $n, m$  and positive  $\epsilon$ :

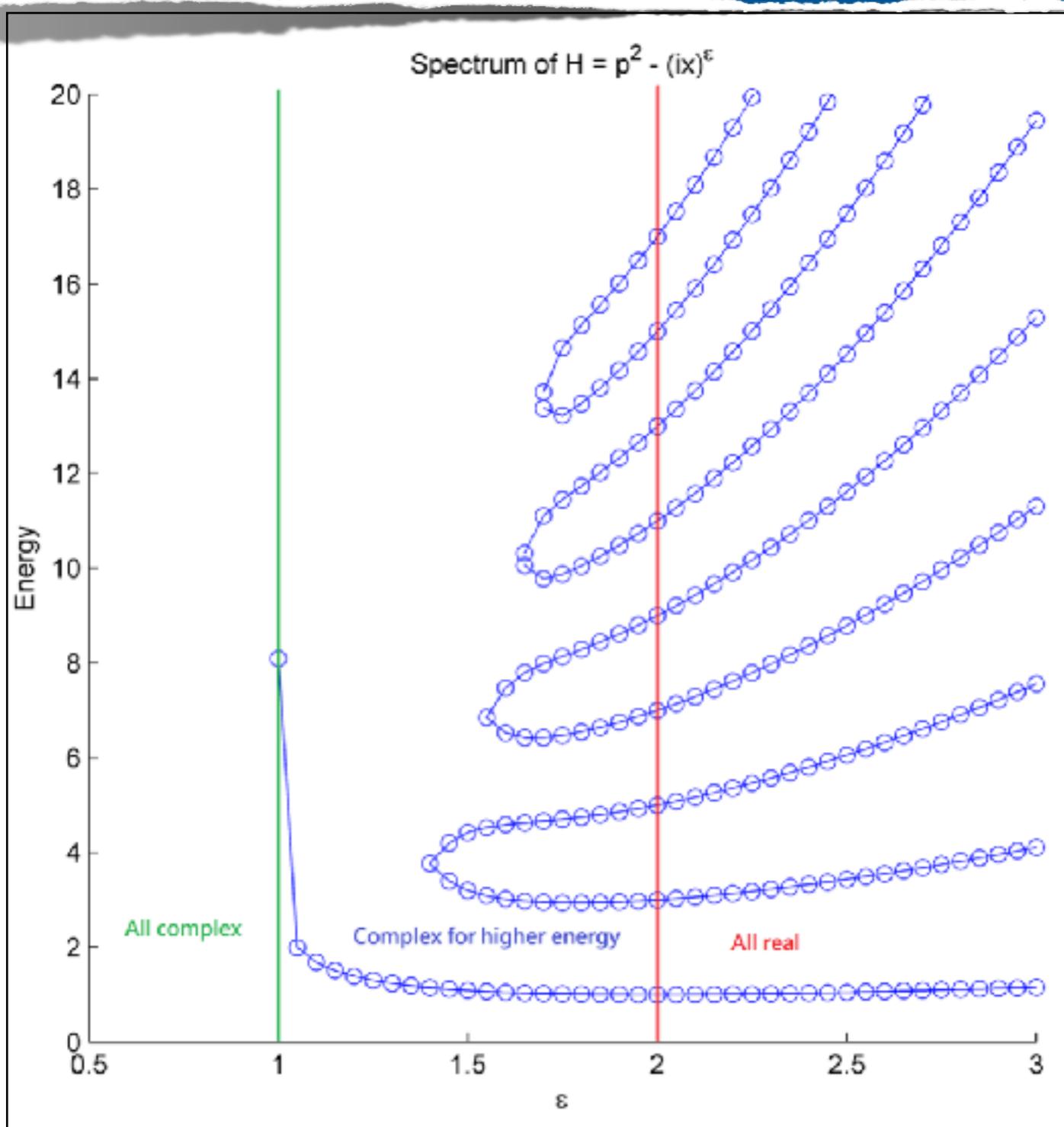
$$\begin{aligned} a_{nm}(\epsilon) &= \frac{\sqrt{n(n-1)}}{4} \delta_{m,n-2} + \frac{\sqrt{(n+1)(n+2)}}{4} \delta_{m,n+2} - \frac{2n+1}{4} \delta_{m,n} + \\ &+ \left[ \frac{1-(-1)^{\tilde{n}+\tilde{m}}}{4} \cos(\epsilon \frac{\pi}{2}) + \frac{1+(-1)^{\tilde{n}+\tilde{m}}}{4} i \sin(\epsilon \frac{\pi}{2}) \right] \frac{(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor} 2^{\tilde{n}+\tilde{m}} n! m!}{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor! \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor!} \times \\ &\times \Gamma\left(\frac{1+\epsilon+\tilde{n}+\tilde{m}}{2}\right) F_A\left(\frac{1+\epsilon+\tilde{n}+\tilde{m}}{2}; -\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, -\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor; \frac{2\tilde{n}+1}{2}, \frac{2\tilde{m}+1}{2}; 1, 1\right) \delta_{m,n} \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

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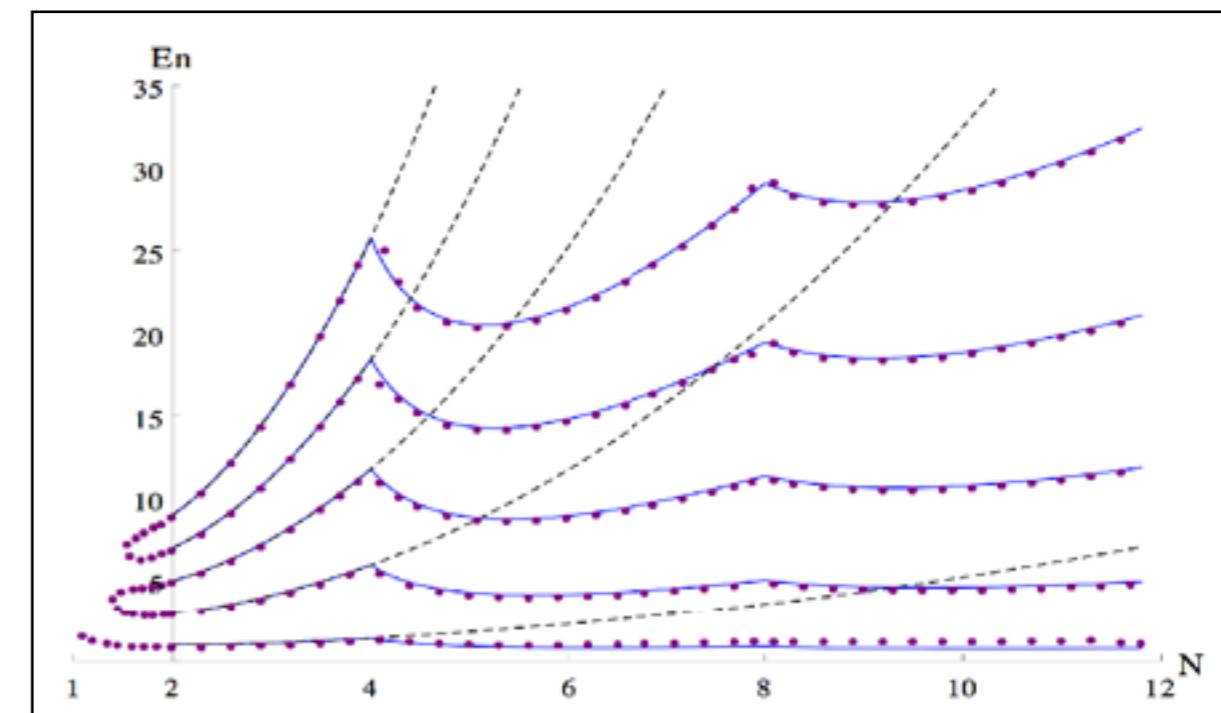
where  $\Gamma$  is an Euler gamma function;  $F_A$  is a Lauricella hypergeometric function; symbol  $\lfloor \cdot \rfloor$  denotes a floor function:  $\lfloor k \rfloor$  is the largest integer not greater than  $k$ ; character tilde  $\tilde{\cdot}$  denotes a binary parity function:  $\tilde{k}$  is 0 for an even  $k$  and 1 for an odd  $k$ .

- By using truncated Fock state basis, we diagonalize the matrix  $M_{nn}(\epsilon)$  numerically, having truncated the basis to the first 31, 51, or 71 elements.

# Real Spectrum in $\mathcal{PT}$ Hamiltonian

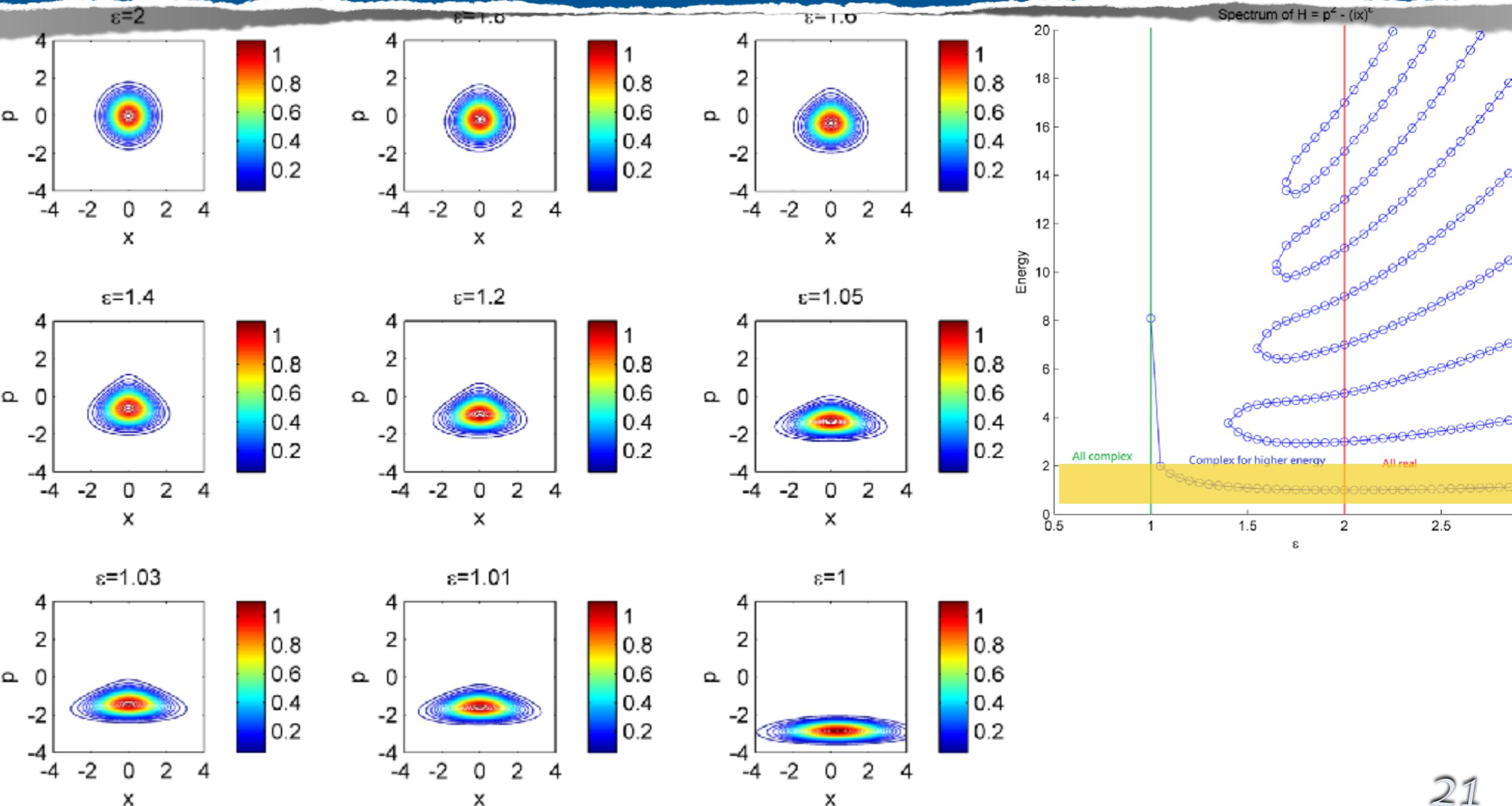


$$\mathcal{H} = p^2 + x^2 (ix)^\epsilon$$



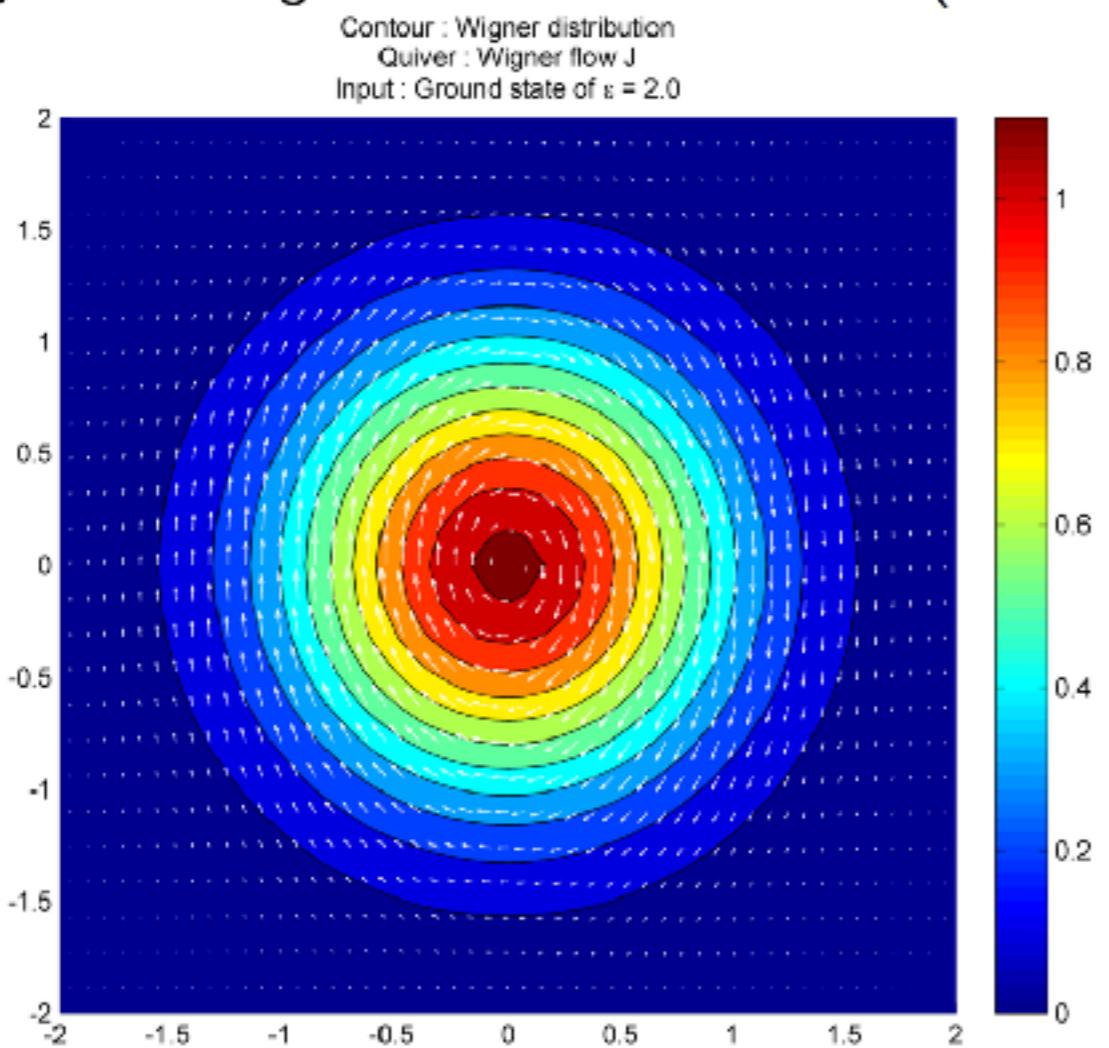
$$\mathcal{H} = p^2 - (ix)^\epsilon$$

# $\mathcal{PT}$ in Phase space: Ground states



# Wigner flow of $\mathcal{PT}$ : Ground states

The Wigner flow of ground state when  $\epsilon = 2.0$  (harmonic oscillator)



ground state when  $\epsilon = 1.4$

