

CLASSICAL MECHANICS

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{States} \\ \text{of system} \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow M$ smooth manifold

$\left\{ \text{Observables} \right\} \longleftrightarrow C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$

NOTE: $A := C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ is associative, commutative algebra.

FURTHER NOTE:

$C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ may also have a Poisson bracket

- ① (AS) $\{f, g\} = -\{g, f\}$
- ② Derivation $\{f, \{g, h\}\} = \{f, g\}h + g\{f, h\}$
- ③ Jacobi $\{f, \{g, h\}\} + \text{cyclic} = 0$

QUANTUM MECHANICS

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{States} \\ \text{of system} \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{H}$ Hilbert space

$\left\{ \text{Observables} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Self-adjoint} \\ \text{operators on } \mathcal{H} \end{array} \right\}$

COMMUTATION RULES

eg $[Q, P] = i\hbar$

for position, momentum operators

DIRAC QUANTIZATION

- Start with classical system $M, C^\infty(M; \mathbb{R})$
with Poisson bracket
- Quantizing means
"to any classical observable f
associate a quantum observable $\hat{f}$ "
with new, non-commutative product $*$

REQUIREMENTS:

- $\hat{f} * \hat{g} = \widehat{f \cdot g} + o(\hbar)$
- $\hat{f} * \hat{g} - \hat{g} * \hat{f} = i\hbar \widehat{\{f, g\}} + o(\hbar^2)$

TERMINOLOGY "Original product is deformed
in the direction of the Poisson bracket"

FORMAL DEFORMATIONS

• Let A associative algebra

• A formal deformation of A

is an associative multiplication $\ast$

on $A[[\lambda]]$ st:

$$x \ast y = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \mu_r(x, y) \lambda^r$$

• REQUIREMENTS:

• μ_0 = original product

• μ_r are bilinear: $A \times A \rightarrow A$