

Classical vs quantum mechanics

	classical	quantum
state space	$X = \mathbb{R}^{6N}, TS^2, \dots$	\mathcal{H} a Hilbert space.
set of observables	$\mathcal{A} = C^\infty(X, \mathbb{R})$, comm ring	\mathcal{A} a \mathbb{C} -algebra (non-comm)
measurement	If $A \in \mathcal{A}$, $x \in X$ the result of measurement is $A(x)$ & system remains in state x .	<p>For $\forall A \in \mathcal{A} \exists$ orthon. basis (ψ_n^A) & \exists real #'s (λ_n^A) s.t. the foll holds. If sys is in state $\Psi = \sum a_n \psi_n^A$ (so $a_n = \langle \psi_n^A, \Psi \rangle$)* then after measuring A system will be in state ψ_m^A w/ prob $a_m ^2$ & the value obtained for A is λ_m^A</p> <p>Let $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \text{End}(\mathcal{H})$ be def by $A \mapsto \hat{A}$, $\hat{A}(\sum a_n \psi_n^A) = \sum a_n \lambda_n^A \psi_n^A$ Axiom: this is a ring homo ** Remark: ψ_n^A eigenvects & λ_n^A eigvals of \hat{A} Remark: Average value of measurements is $\sum a_n ^2 \lambda_n = \langle \hat{A}, \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi, \hat{A} \Psi \rangle$ (prob to get λ_n) (easy)</p>
		explain slit experiment to justify working over \mathbb{C} rather than \mathbb{R}
		explain non-commuting observables.

* with $\langle \Psi, \Psi \rangle = 1$

** with image \subset {selfadj ops}.