

**Mathematical Quantum Theory**  
**Exercise sheet 5**  
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**Exercise 1. [10 points]** Let  $H \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $H = H^*$ . Prove that:

$$U(t) := e^{-iHt} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-iHt)^n}{n!} \quad (1)$$

is a strongly continuous one-parameter group of unitary operators, with generator  $H$ . Moreover, prove that  $U(t)$  is norm differentiable.

**Exercise 2. [10 points]** Let  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$  be the dual space of  $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  (*space of distributions*). Let  $\{x_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $x_k \rightarrow \infty$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Prove that:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} c_k \delta(\cdot - x_k) \quad (2)$$

converges in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ , for any sequence  $\{c_k\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ .

**Exercise 3. [10 points]** Let  $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $|x|\psi(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\psi \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Let:

$$\begin{aligned} X &:= \langle \psi, x\psi \rangle, & \Delta X^2 &:= \langle (x - X)\psi, (x - X)\psi \rangle \\ P &:= \langle \psi, -i\nabla\psi \rangle, & \Delta P^2 &:= \langle (-i\nabla - P)\psi, (-i\nabla - P)\psi \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

(Notice that  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$ . We are using the notation:  $\langle x\psi, x\psi \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^d \langle x_j\psi, x_j\psi \rangle$ . Same for  $-i\nabla$ .) Prove that:

$$\Delta X^2 \Delta P^2 \geq \frac{d^2}{4} \quad [\text{Uncertainty principle}] \quad (4)$$

[Hint. Use that, by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta X^2 \Delta P^2 &= \langle (x - X)\psi, (x - X)\psi \rangle \langle (-i\nabla - P)\psi, (-i\nabla - P)\psi \rangle \\ &\geq |\langle \psi, (-i\nabla - P)(x - X)\psi \rangle|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Then, using  $AB = \frac{1}{2}\{A, B\} + \frac{1}{2}[A, B]$  with  $\{A, B\} = AB + BA$  and  $[A, B] = AB - BA$ , argue that, for the purpose of a lower bound, in Eq. (5) it is enough to replace  $(-i\nabla - P)(x - X)$  by  $[(-i\nabla - P), (x - X)]$ . Compute the commutator.]

**Exercise 4. [10 points]** Let  $\mathcal{H} = L^2([0, 1])$ . For  $\psi \in \mathcal{H}$ , consider:

$$T(\psi) := \int_0^{1/2} dx \psi(x). \quad (6)$$

Prove that  $T \in \mathcal{H}'$ . Recall the definition of norm of  $T$ :

$$\|T\| := \sup_{\psi \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{|T(\psi)|}{\|\psi\|_{\mathcal{H}}}. \quad (7)$$

Compute  $\|T\|$  using Riesz theorem.