

The connection between these two descriptions can be neatly described if we view

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\psi}_m |m\rangle \text{ as an abstract Hilbert space expression}$$

and the association

$$|\psi\rangle \rightarrow \psi(\theta) \quad |m\rangle \rightarrow \frac{e^{im\theta}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

as a specific realization of that abstract description using a complex vector space of functions

$$\langle \psi' | \psi \rangle \rightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} \psi'^*(\theta) \psi(\theta) d\theta$$

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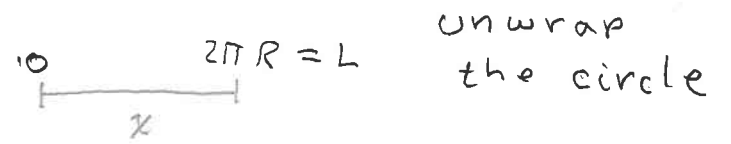
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Unwrap the circle

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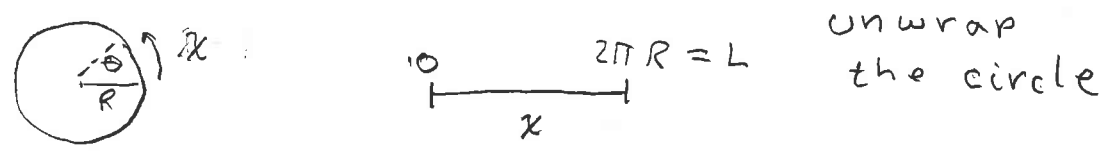
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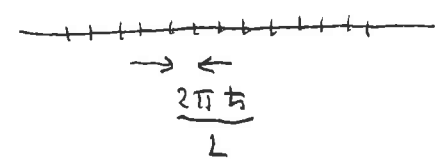
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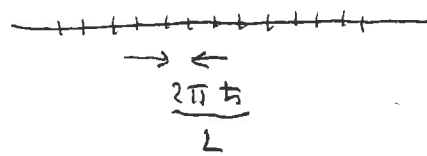
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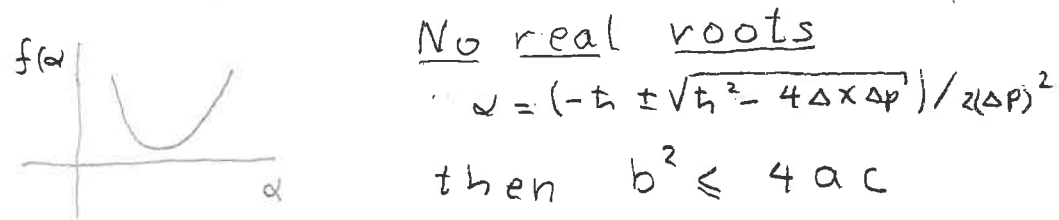
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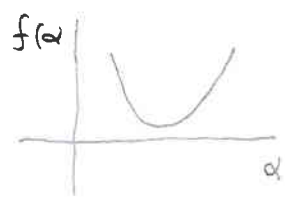
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$$= \frac{1}{\underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2D}} \sqrt{\pi}}_{\Delta p^2}} e^{-\frac{p^2}{(\hbar/D)^2}} \quad \left( \frac{2D\sqrt{\pi}}{\hbar} = \sqrt{2} D \sqrt{2\pi} \right) \quad \Delta p = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\hbar}{D}$$

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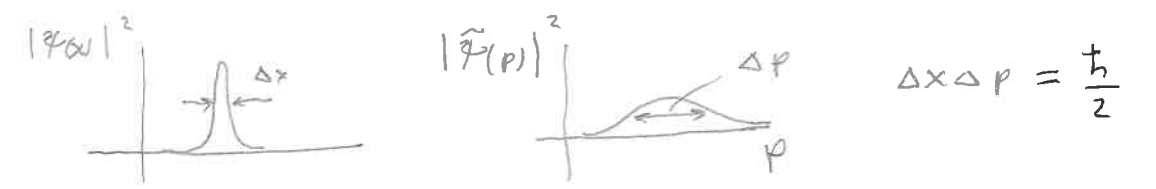
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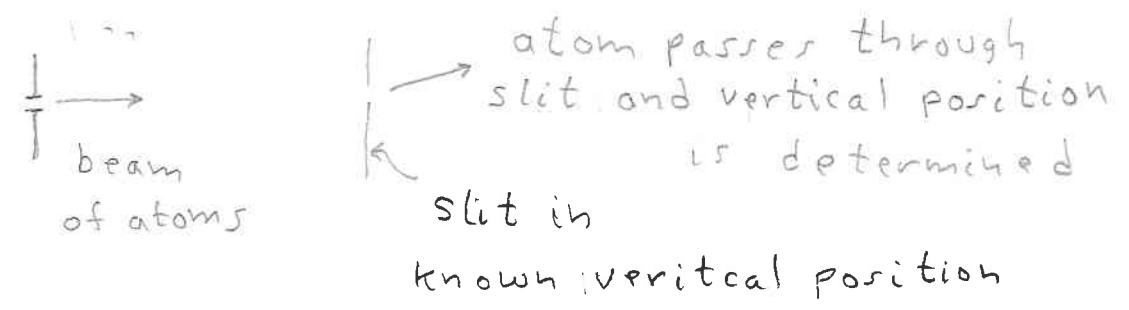
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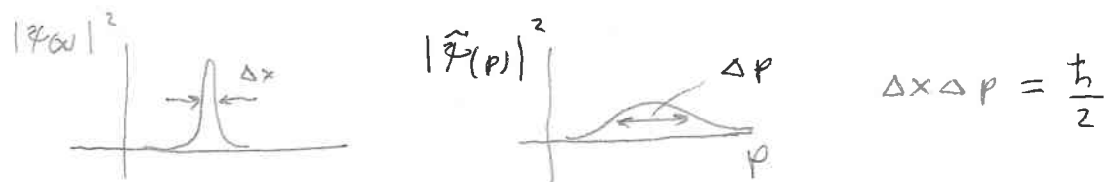


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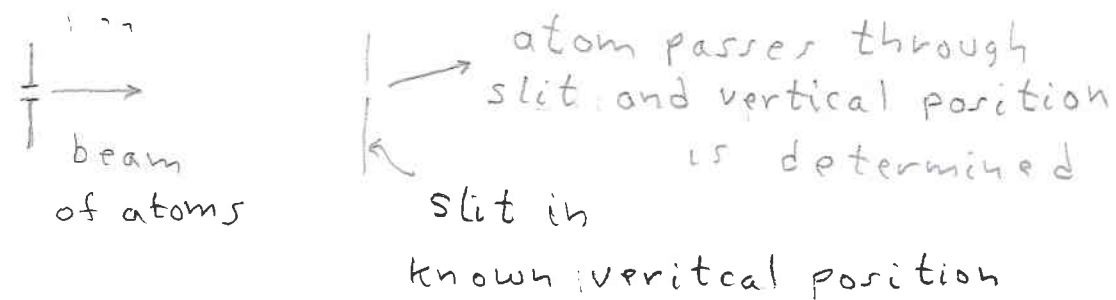
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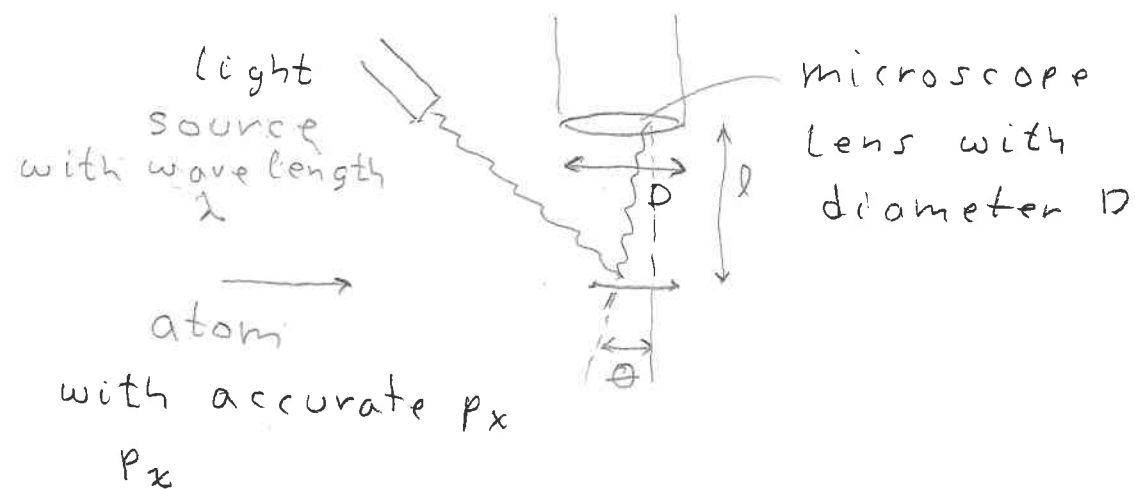
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$$\Delta p_x^{\text{slit}} \geq \frac{\hbar}{2\Delta x_{\text{slit}}} \text{ so accurate}$$

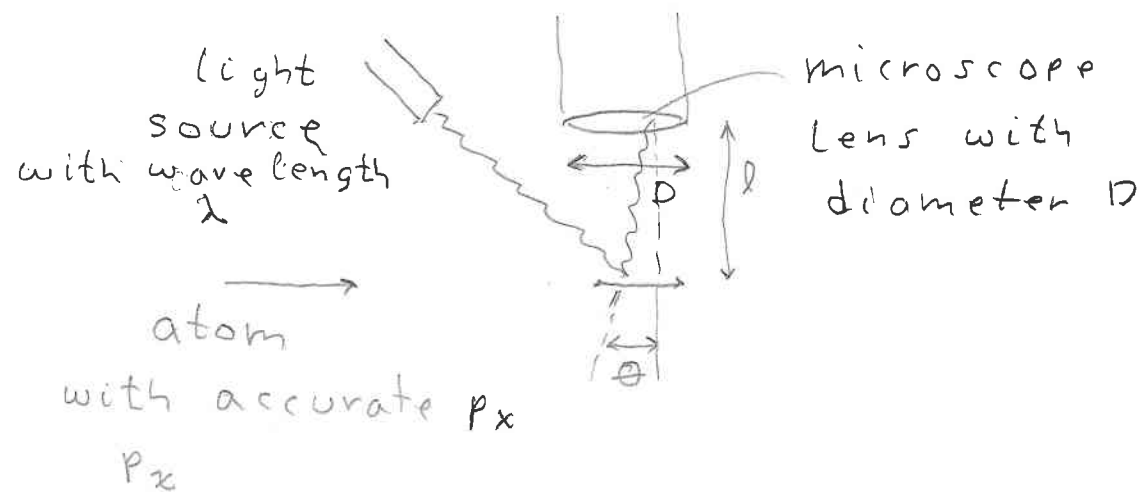
measurement of final momentum of slit does not determine momentum transferred to atom

(b) Heisenberg's microscope



Not correct If slit also obeys uncertainty principle and we know its position accurately (small  $\Delta x_{\text{slit}}$ ) then its initial momentum  $p_x^{\text{slit}}$  is not accurate,  $\Delta p_x^{\text{slit}} \gg \frac{\hbar}{2\Delta x_{\text{slit}}}$  so accurate measurement of final momentum of slit does not determine momentum transferred to atom

### (b) Heisenberg's microscope



- microscope measures angular position of atom with resolving power  $\Delta\theta = \frac{\lambda}{D}$  (Rayleigh criterion)  
 $\therefore \Delta x = \Delta\theta l = \frac{\lambda l}{D}$
- use weak pulse of light with energy  $E$  & momentum  $E/c$
- Direction of scattered light is uncertain by  $\Delta\phi = \frac{D}{l}$
- Therefore momentum transferred to atom when light scatters into microscope is also uncertain  
 $\Delta p_x = E/c \times \Delta\phi = \frac{E}{c} \cdot \frac{D}{l}$
- $\frac{\hbar}{2} \leq \Delta x \Delta p = \frac{\lambda l}{D} \cdot \frac{E D}{c l} = \frac{\lambda}{c} E$   
 energy of light beam must obey  $E \Rightarrow \hbar \frac{c}{\lambda} = \hbar \nu$  Planck's photon's must quantize light to for consistency