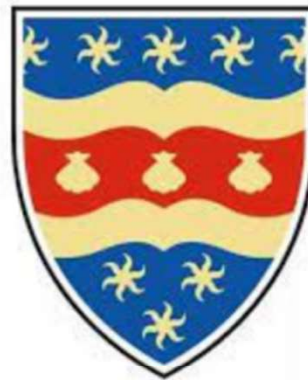


Viajando a lo largo de trayectorias cuánticas con Axel Weber

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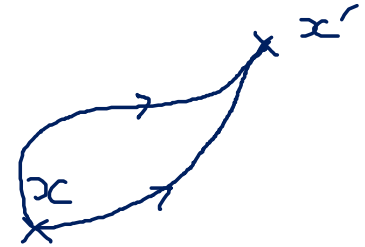
- Today – just illustrate Axel's ideas – few technical details!

1. Problemas en la mecánica cuántica

- Quantum mechanics – Feynman's formulation:

$$\hat{U}(T) = e^{-i/\hbar T} \rightarrow K(x', x; T) = \langle x' | \hat{U}(T) | x \rangle$$

$$K(x', x; T) = \int_{x(0)=x}^{x(T)=x'} \mathcal{D}x(\tau) e^{i/\hbar \int_0^T d\tau [m\dot{x}^2/2 - V(x(\tau))]}$$



- Reminiscent of Fermat's principle

$$\sum_{\text{Paths } \{x\}} e^{i/\hbar S[x]}$$

- Optical distance \longleftrightarrow Classical action

$$K(x', x; T) = \int \psi_E(x') \psi_E^*(x) e^{i/\hbar ET} dE$$

- Spectral representation

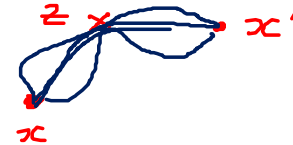
$$\hat{H} | \psi_E \rangle = E | \psi_E \rangle$$

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- Constrained path integral [Phys. Rev. E 97 \(2018\) 4, 042114 \[1709.04984 \[quant-ph\]\]](#)

“Hit Function”

$$\mathcal{H}(z | x', x; \tau) = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_{x(0)=x}^{x(\tau)=x'} \mathcal{D}x(\tau) \int_0^\tau S^D(z - x(\tau)) d\tau e^{-S[x_c]}$$



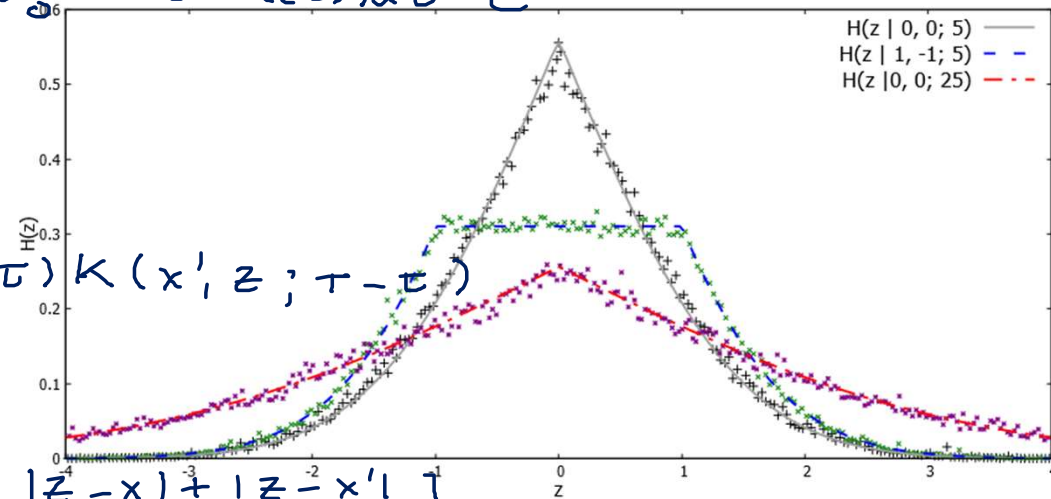
- Integral transform of propagator (kernel)

$$\mathcal{H}(z | x', x; \tau) = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau d\tau' K(z, x; \tau - \tau') K(x', z; \tau')$$

- Example – free particle ($V(x) = 0$)

$$\mathcal{H}_0(z | x', x; \tau) = \frac{\pi}{\tau} \text{Erfc} \left[\frac{|z - x| + |z - x'|}{\sqrt{2\tau}} \right]$$

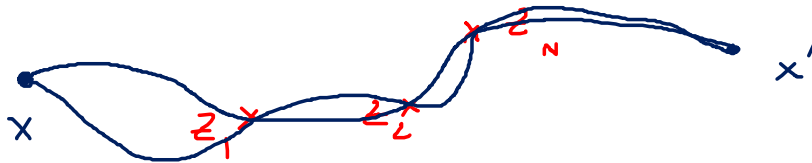
- Recovering the kernel $K(x', x; \tau) = \int d^D z \mathcal{H}(z | x', x; \tau)$



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- Generalisation – “N-hit Function” [Phys. Rev. E **105** \(2022\) 6, 064132 \[2110.04969 \[quant-ph\]\]](#)

- Trajectories constrained to “hit” **N points** (z_1, \dots, z_N)



Polyakov ν
Amplitudes in QFT

- All N-hit Functions calculated (arbitrary N)!

$$\mathcal{H}_0(z_1, \dots, z_n | y, x; T) = \mathcal{C}_{D,n} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-i\omega T}}{(-i\omega)^{\frac{(n+1)\nu}{2}}} K_{-\nu}(\sqrt{-i\omega}|x - z_1|) \cdots K_{-\nu}(\sqrt{-i\omega}|z_n - y|).$$

- Related to the **Casimir effect**



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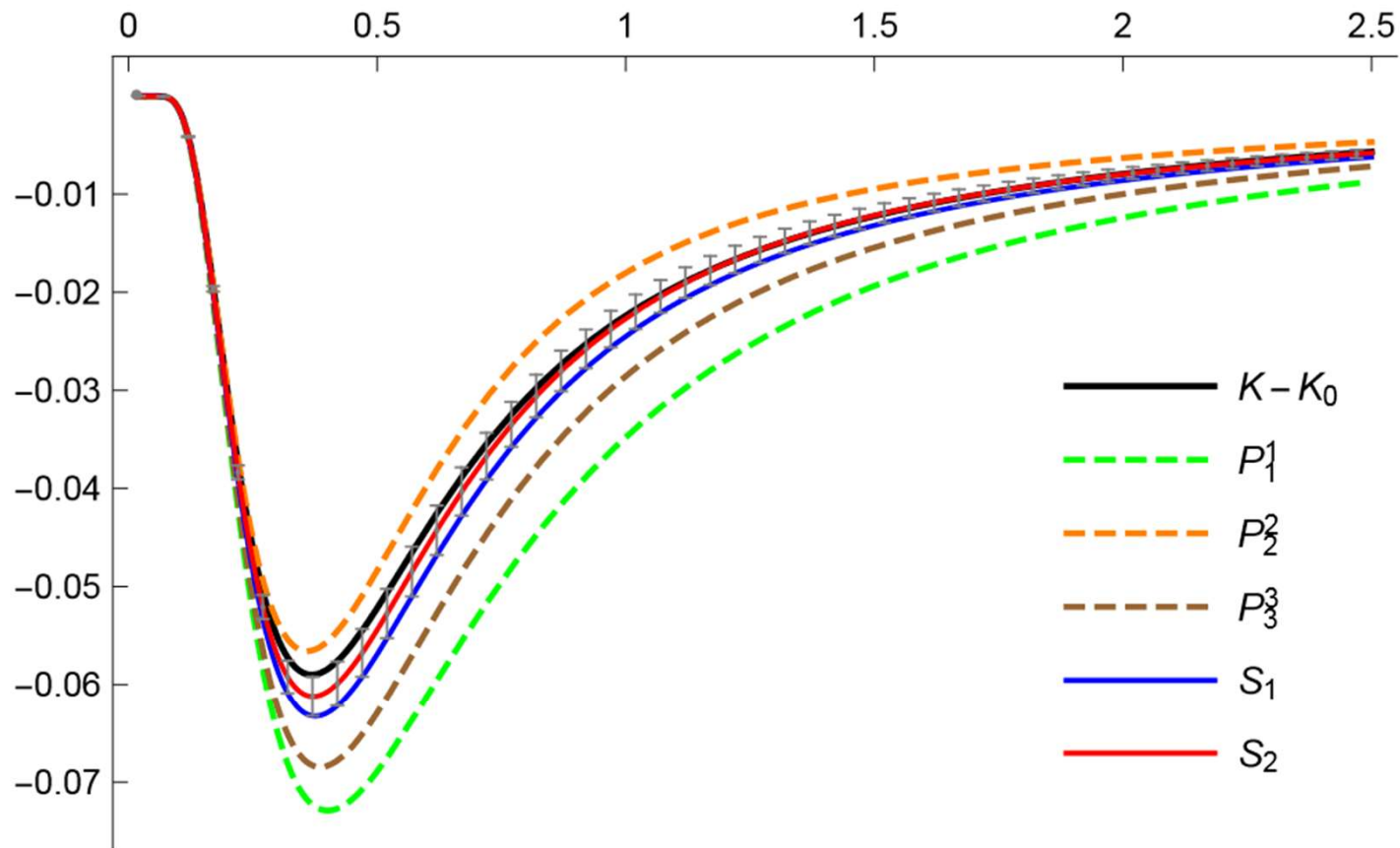


FIG. 3. Center-to-center propagation amplitudes inside a sphere, comparing approximations of various orders against the known analytic results (black solid line)

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$$\bar{\rho}(v) = \int \mathcal{D}x(\tau) \delta\left(v - \int_0^T d\tau V(x(\tau))\right) e^{-\int_0^T m\dot{x}^2/2}$$

- Integral transform of the propagator

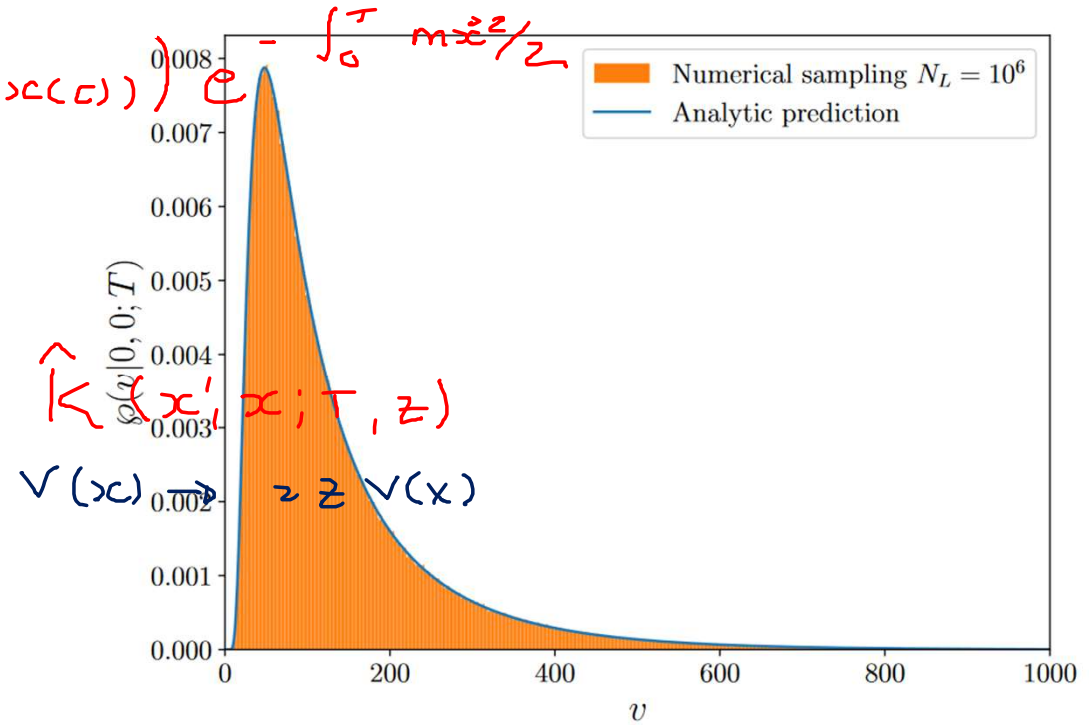
$$\bar{\rho}(v) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz e^{izv} \hat{K}(x'|x; T, z)$$

- Example – el **oscilador armónico**

$$\mathcal{H}(z|y, x; T) = \int_0^T \frac{d\tau}{T(2\pi G_M(\tau, \tau))^{\frac{D}{2}}} e^{-\frac{(z-x_c(\tau))^2}{2G_M(\tau, \tau)}}$$

- Recovering the kernel

$$K = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dv \bar{\rho}(v) e^{-v}$$



2. Simulaciones numéricas

- Discretised path integral

$$\int \mathcal{D}x(t) \rightarrow \frac{1}{N_L} \sum_{i=1}^{N_L} e^{-\mathcal{U}_i}$$

$$\int V(x(t)) \rightarrow \{ \mathcal{U}_i \} = \frac{1}{N_P} \sum_{k=1}^{N_P} V(x_k)$$

- **Monte Carlo** style estimation

$$K(x', x; \tau) = K_0(x', x; \tau) \langle e^{-\mathcal{U}_i} \rangle$$

- Illustration – trajectories generated with one of Axel's algorithms - "LSOL"

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- Energía del estado base $\langle K(x', x; \tau) \rangle \Rightarrow \lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{d}{d\tau} \ln(K) \sim E_0$

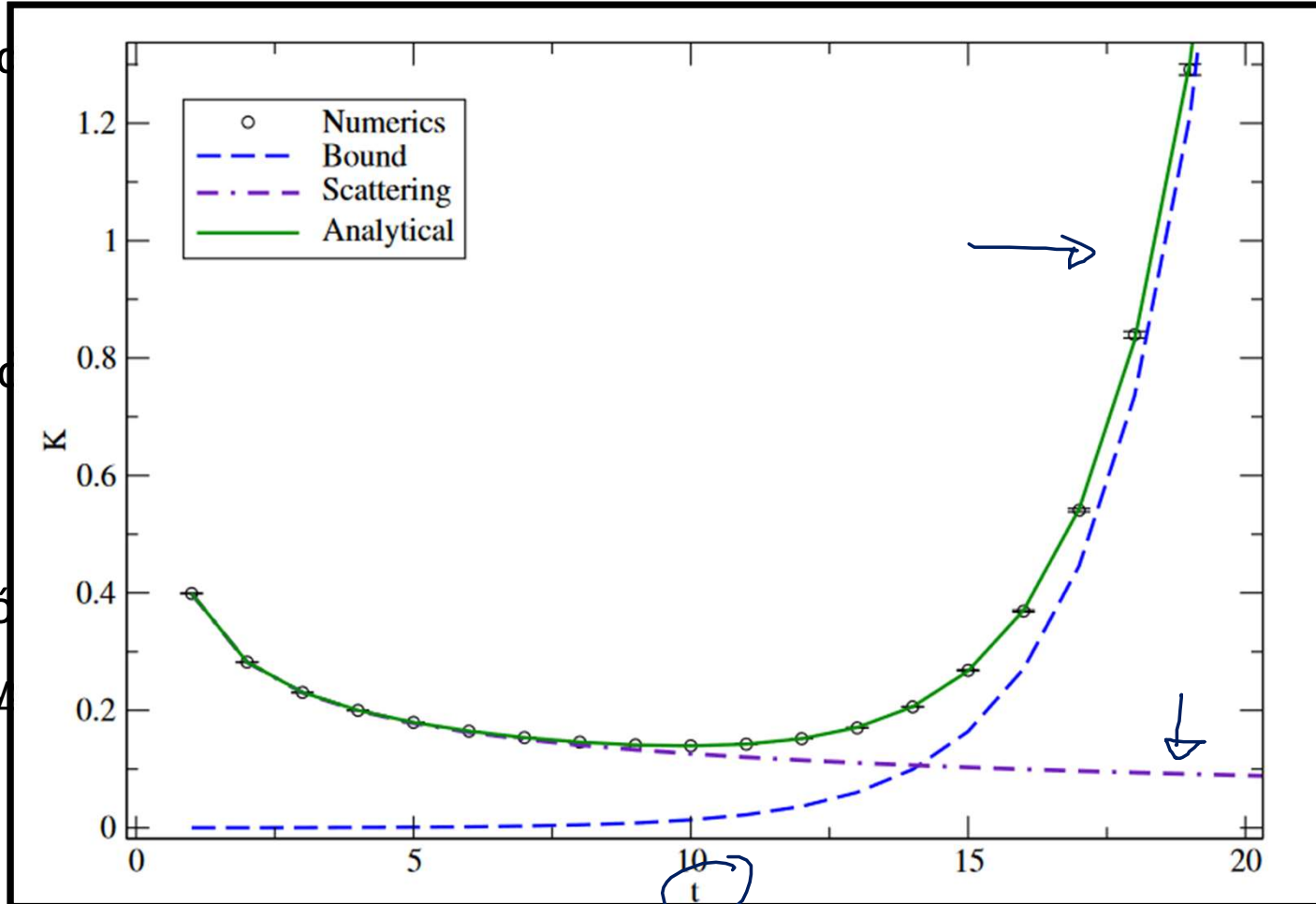
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- Integral de

- Estimación

- Ilustración

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- Energía del estado base

2. Simulaciones numéricas

- Extension – trajectories generated in a background potential
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- Modifies the spatial support of the trajectories
- Needs to be compensated!

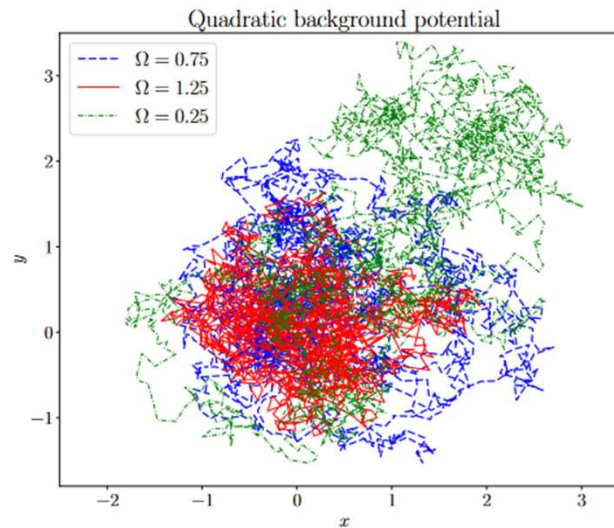
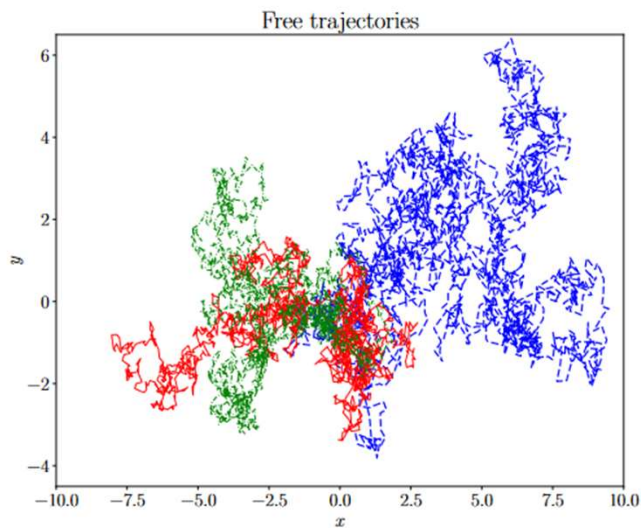
- Analytic compensation

- Numerical compensation

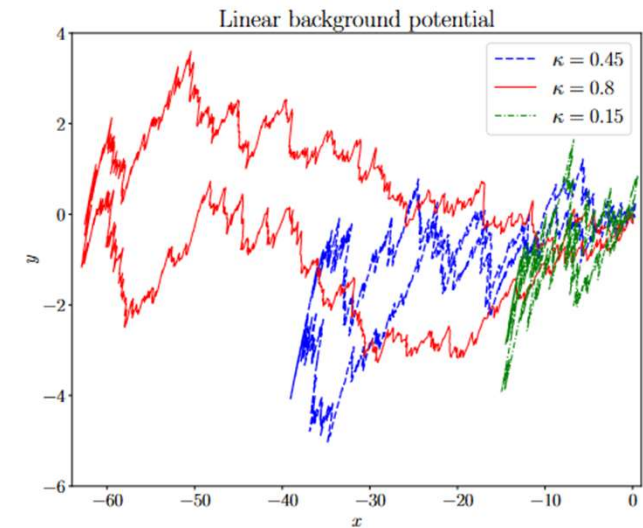
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$$U(x) = \frac{1}{2} m \Omega^2 x^2$$



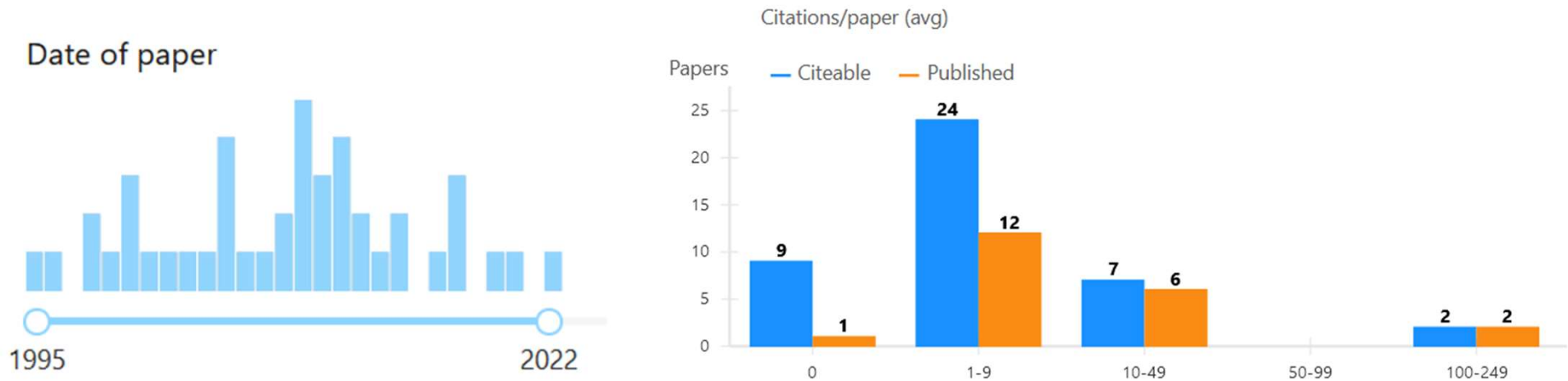
$$U(x) = + |C|x$$

- Trayectorias generadas usando el algoritmos “Y-loops modificado”

Y-loop \leftarrow Axel's algorithm.

Conclusiones

- Axel's research – encompasses a variety of topics!



- These problems pertain to fundamental physics – very deep ideas!
- His research continues to generate new questions

Gracias por su atención