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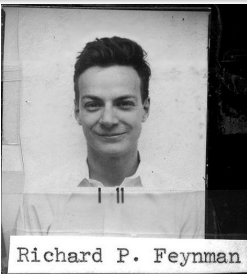
## 100 Years of Feynman

and 30 without him: some reminiscences

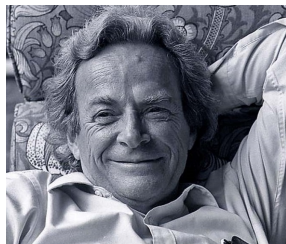


or, Feynman's last adventure in integrability

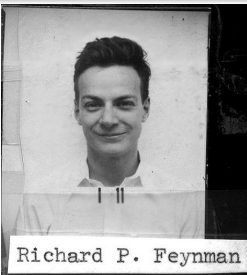
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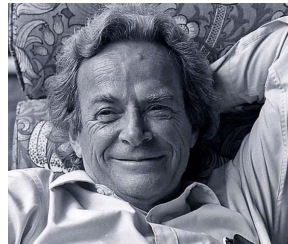
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- Dominated physics with his creativity, insights and style
- Created the image of the playful, irreverent physicist relying heavily on his smarts and intuition
- Projected a sense of excitement about science and life in general. His *joie de vivre* was infectious
- A great teacher and communicator, he charmed audiences with his quick-witted, pseudo-naïve, no-nonsense chatter
- Achieved cult status well beyond the physics community (sometimes to the exasperation of his peers!)

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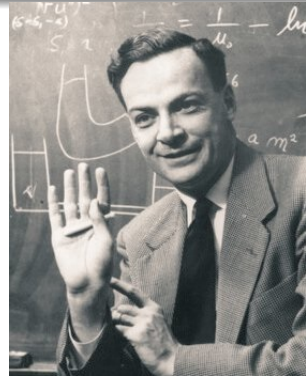
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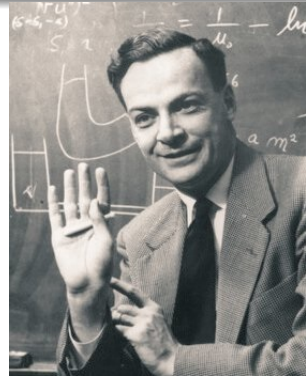
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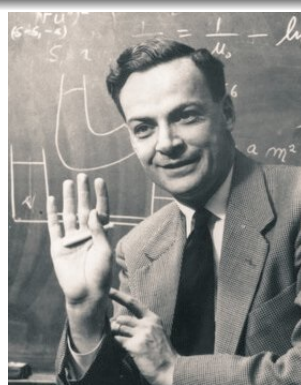
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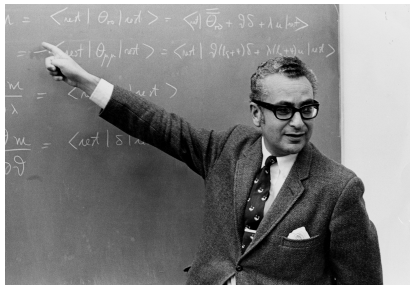
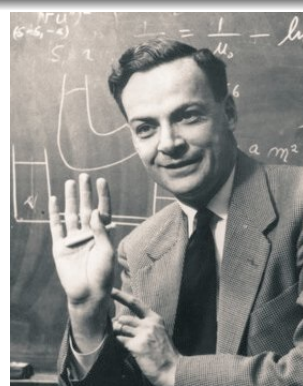
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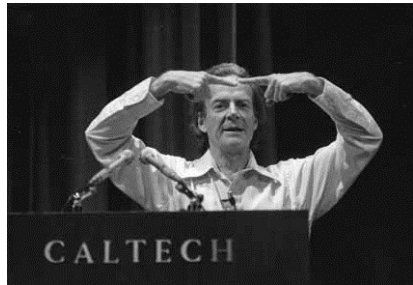
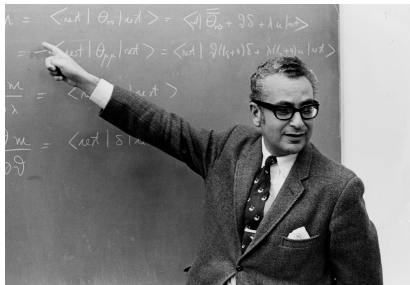
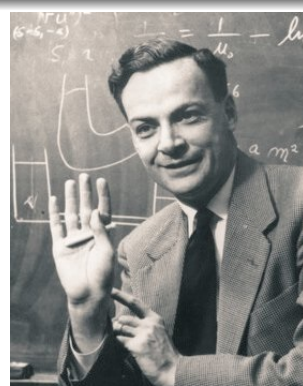
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$$I_n = \left\langle \prod_{a=1}^n (p_a + \phi) \right\rangle := \sum_{j_a \text{ distinct}} \left\langle \prod_{a=1}^n (p_{j_a} + \phi(x_{j_a})) \right\rangle$$

Dear Mr. Sutherland,

You asked me to send you what I know of the conservation laws for a system of particles all under one potential  $V(x) = V(x_1, \dots, x_N)$  where  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are as the positions of particles  $i$  and  $j$ . If  $p_i$  is the momentum of particle  $i$  then the total momentum  $\sum p_i = I_1$ , the total energy  $\sum \frac{1}{2} p_i^2 + V(x) = I_2$  is conserved, and that means  $\frac{1}{2} \dot{x}_i^2 + V(x) = I_2$  is conserved.

$$I_2 = \sum \frac{1}{2} p_i^2 + V(x) \quad (1)$$

where by underlining a term I mean the sum of all distinctly different terms of the form underlined where the indices take  $N$  values from 1 to  $N$ , except that all indices must be different.

Thus if  $N=3$ ,  $\sum \frac{1}{2} p_i^2$  would mean  $(\frac{1}{2} p_1^2) + (\frac{1}{2} p_2^2) + (\frac{1}{2} p_3^2)$  since  $V(x) = V(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  they are not distinct  $\frac{1}{2} p_i^2$ ; while  $\sum \frac{1}{2} p_i^2$  is simply the one term  $\frac{1}{2} p_1^2$ .

Next trying to find an  $I_3$  by trying to start with the term  $\frac{1}{2} p_i^2$  that is a constant of the motion (commutes with  $I_2$ ) we find, as you discovered,

$$I_3 = \sum \frac{1}{2} p_i^2 \dot{x}_i - \sum \frac{1}{2} V(x_i) \quad (2)$$

provided  $V$  satisfies a special condition (which we call  $C_2$ ):

$$C_2: \quad \frac{V(x_i) V(x_j)}{x_i - x_j} = 0 \quad (3) \quad P(3)$$

which you introduced implies  $V$  is a continuous elliptic function (which is a simple case in  $V = 1/x^2$  and we can consider the general

solution as a kind of generalization into complex  $x_i$ , ~~the~~ doubly periodic. The condition  $C_2$  is obvious for  $V(x) = -V'(x)$ .  
Then it is easy to verify that

$$I_4 = \sum \frac{1}{2} p_i^2 \dot{x}_i^2 - \sum \frac{1}{2} V(x_i) V(x_j) + V(x_i) V(x_j) \quad (4)$$

is also conserved, as well as the entire string of conserved  $I_n$  up to  $I_N$ .

We show here that they in this letter I give my proof that  $I_n$  commutes with them all, and that in the classical case with Poisson brackets (almost proof for classical case at least using Poisson brackets they all commute with each other. [Actually in the ~~later~~ general case I only pass so far I only checked the classical the classical case with Poisson brackets]. But this is only true if the potential satisfies beside  $C_2$ , also a sequence of other conditions

$$C_3: \quad \frac{V(x_i) V(x_j) V(x_k)}{(x_i - x_j)(x_i - x_k)} = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$C_n: \quad \frac{V(x_i) V(x_j) \dots V(x_n) V(x_{n+1})}{(x_i - x_j) \dots (x_i - x_{n+1})} = 0 \quad (6) \quad \text{(with } n \leq N \text{ and } n-1 \leq N)$$

Then in the ~~that~~  $C_2$  is necessary you can see by trying to commute  $I_3$  directly. You can imagine my surprise that in the proof that demonstration of our lack of deep understanding of these things, - always a surprise! when I checked  $C_2$  for  $N=4$  is enough by writing out the 16 terms for  $V = 1/x^2$  and doing the algebra and watching it all cancel out. I have never found a recurrence proof for them all for  $V = 1/x^2$  which, I think, implies them also for  $P(1)$ .

That  $C_3$  is necessary you can see by trying calculating obviously each  $C_n$  must be checked or an identity for  $N=n$  particles.

My entry in the subject: extended kinematical quantities

$$I_{n,m} = \left\langle \prod_n \times \prod_m (p + \phi) \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} I_{n,m} = (m + 1) I_{n-1,m+1}$$

Shows that scattering is as for classical free particles

Letter 3.

the other letter

with colleagues of mine, Alice Poly...

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Then  $\frac{d}{dt}$  the commutator of  $H = \frac{1}{2} p^2 + V(x)$  with  $\frac{d}{dt}$  as well written  $\frac{d}{dt}$  we find.

$$\frac{d}{dt} F(k, m) = (m+1) F(k-1, m+1)$$

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$$P_1^2 P_2 + 2P_1 P_1 P_2 - P_2^2 P_2 = \frac{d}{dt} [P_2^2 P_{222} - 2P_1 P_{222} + P_{222}]$$

For  $N=3$  the motions  $x_1(t)$ ,  $x_2(t)$ ,  $x_3(t)$  in the center of mass  $(x_1 + x_2 +$

Check - when clearing up new files and thought there might be a defect to your memory.

Hope you're OK  
Chas.  
Bill

~~if A~~ if the constants satisfy

$$\alpha = \frac{4}{9} a^2 V^2 \left( \frac{4}{9} - 3A^2 - \frac{1}{3} B^2(a) \right).$$

Are these the characteristic equation for a simple matrix Lieber in time? What is the quantum solution? What if  $V$  is  $D$ ?

Don't tell us - we are having fun - that is why we haven't looked at your papers yet. Just tell us if ~~some~~ some of this is unknown.

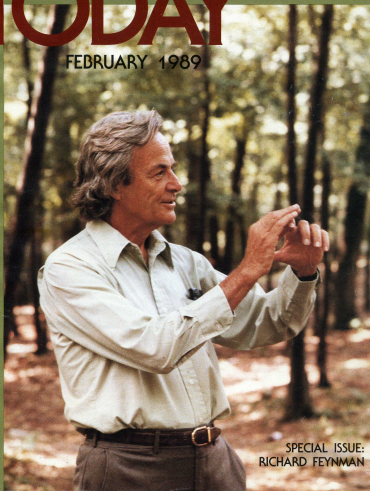
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We work out stuff faster than we can get the letter.

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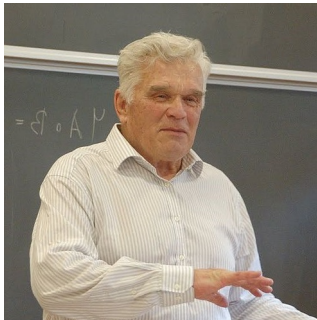
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# Postscript: Faddeev and the quest for the lost notes

## Ludvig Faddeev



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**To whom it may concern**  
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(OAC)

Dear Colleagues,

The Editorial Board of "Uspekhi Fizicheskikh Nauk" ("Physics-Uspekhi" in English version) journal (one of the leading Russian journal in physics, former Editor-in-Chief Nobel Prize Winner Vitaly Ginzburg) needs your kind permission for our scientific and managing editor **Dr. Maria Aksenteva** to get the opportunity to see some documents from your archive.

One of the world-recognized mathematician Prof. Ludvig Faddeev is now writing an interesting review for our journal. Several years ago, just after the death of Prof. Richard Feynmann, Prof. Faddeev has visited Caltech and saw some hand-written notes by Prof. R. Feynmann in which he emphasized the importance of Bethe Ansatz for some fundamental physical problems.

According to the opinion of Prof. Faddeev it would be very desirable to support his reminiscence with the copy of this Feynmann's notes. Via Internet Prof. Faddeev has found in OAC two files, which may be are just what he wants to find:  
<http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt5n39p6k0/>.

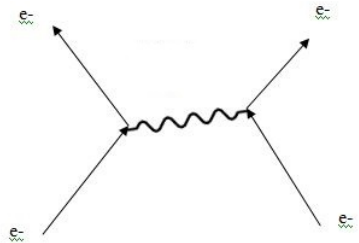
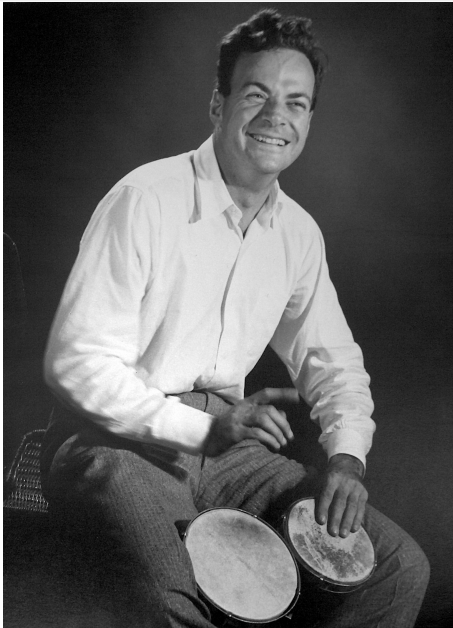
1. "Lunch Talk on Bethe Ansatz", Jan22, 1987 in Section 5, box 52 folder 11., 8 pages.
  2. "Working notes and calculations Box 62 folder 1 black binder. 1987-88".
- But it is impossible to investigate these folders via Internet.

Due to the fact, that Dr. Maria Aksenteva is going to visit California in February we hope, that it would be possible for her to look at these folders.

Thank you in advance for your kind help and support. We would greatly appreciate your kind positive reply.

With kind regards,  
on behalf of UFN Editorial Board  
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Thank You