

Canonical Transformation and its application

Canonical transformation $\rightarrow$ A Canonical transformation $(q, p, t) \rightarrow (Q, P, t)$ is canonical if it preserves the Hamiltonian form of equations of motion, although the explicit form of the Hamiltonian H may change to a new Hamiltonian K .

Canonical transformations are coordinate-momentum mappings $(q, p) \rightarrow (Q, P)$ in analytical mechanics that preserve the form of Hamiltonian equations, ensuring $Q_i = \frac{\partial K}{\partial P_i}$ and $\dot{P}_i = -\frac{\partial K}{\partial Q_i}$.

To keep the ~~str~~ structure of Hamiltonian mechanics invariant, often using a generating function to simplify complex systems. While generally applicable to non-relativistic systems, they are adapted in the special theory of relativity by using four(4) vectors to maintain Lorentz covariance.