

**A formula relating localisation  
observables to the variation of energy in  
Hamiltonian dynamics**

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The formula provides a relation between sojourn times and variation of energy along classical orbits.

The formula can be extended to abstract Hamiltonians  $H$  and abstract position observables  $\Phi$  on a symplectic manifold  $M$ , if  $H$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy an appropriate “commutation” relation.

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**Assumption:**

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## 4 Main theorem

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Furthermore, one can check that

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