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Matrices vs. wave functions: Schrödinger's notebooks and his equivalence proof

In 1925/26, Werner Heisenberg developed matrix mechanics and Erwin Schrödinger developed wave mechanics, which ultimately came to be seen as two formulations of the same theory, quantum mechanics. In my talk, I will reconstruct – through a deep dive into his extensive notebooks – Schrödinger's difficult path to his celebrated equivalence proof – a physical and mathematical connection between these two theories, which looked so different at first glance. This is joint work with Martin Jähnert (Uni Regensburg).

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