Announcing the Final Examination of Daniel Reinhart for the degree of Master of Science in Physics

Date: July 12, 2019  
Time: 3:00 p.m.  
Room: MSB 318  
Thesis Title: The Relativistic Harmonic Oscillator and the Generalization of Lewis' Invariant

Abstract:  
In this thesis, we determine an asymptotic solution for the one dimensional relativistic harmonic oscillator using multiple scale analysis and relate the resulting invariant to the classical Lewis' invariant. We then generalize the equations leading to Lewis' invariant so they are relativistically correct. Next attempt to find an asymptotic solution for the general equations by making simplifying assumptions on the parameter characterizing the adiabatic nature of the system. The first term in the series for Lewis' invariant corresponds to the adiabatic invariant for systems whose frequency varies slowly. For the relativistic case we find a new conserved quantity and seek to explore its interpretation.

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The public is welcome to attend.