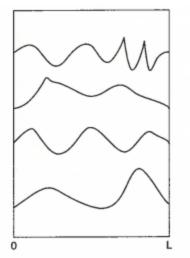
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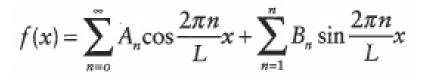
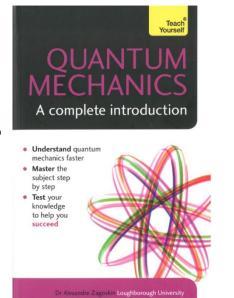


Figure 2.6 Each shape of a string can be regarded as a *point* in a Hilbert space



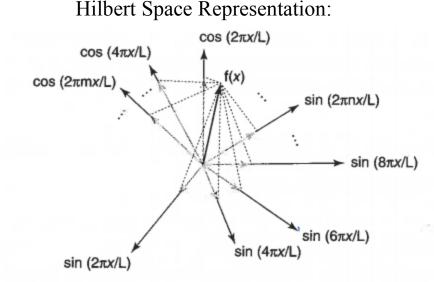


Figure 2.7 A Hilbert space of functions, which can be expanded in Fourier series