

Q1)

$$H_0 = E_1 |1\rangle \langle 1| + E_2 |2\rangle \langle 2|.$$

$$H_0 = \begin{bmatrix} E_1 & 0 \\ 0 & E_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ in basis } \{|1\rangle, |2\rangle\}$$

$$V(t)_s = \gamma e^{i\omega t} |1\rangle \langle 2| + \gamma e^{-i\omega t} |2\rangle \langle 1|$$

Interaction picture :

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle_I = e^{i\hat{H}t/\hbar} |\Psi(t)\rangle_s$$

$$V(t)_I = e^{i\hat{H}t/\hbar} V_s e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} = \gamma \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} \\ e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{where } \omega_{21} = \frac{E_2 - E_1}{\hbar}$$

Schrodinger equation :

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial |\Psi(t)\rangle_I}{\partial t} = V(t)_I |\Psi(t)\rangle_I$$

$$\text{Take } |\Psi(t)\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} c_1(t) \\ c_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\implies i\hbar \dot{c}_k(t) = \sum_n V_{kn}(t) e^{i\omega_{mn}t} c_n(t)$$

i)

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \vec{c}(t)}{\partial t} = \gamma \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} \\ e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{c}(t)$$

$$i\hbar \begin{bmatrix} \dot{c}_1(t) \\ \dot{c}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} c_2(t) \\ e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} c_1(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Taking another derivative ,

$$i\hbar \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{c}_1(t) \\ \ddot{c}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \gamma \begin{bmatrix} e^{i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} \dot{c}_2(t) + i(\omega - \omega_{21}) e^{i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} c_2(t) \\ e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} \dot{c}_1(t) - i(\omega - \omega_{21}) e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} c_1(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

From the above 2 equations, we can construct a second order ode for $c_2(t)$.

$$\ddot{c}_2(t) + i(\omega - \omega_{21}) \dot{c}_2(t) + \frac{\gamma^2}{\hbar^2} c_2(t) = 0$$

Solving this we get the expression mentioned in the appendix,

$$c_2(t) = A e^{at/2} \sin \Omega t$$

where,

$$a = i(\omega - \omega_{21}), \Omega = \left[\frac{\gamma^2}{\hbar^2} + \frac{(\omega - \omega_{21})^2}{4} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$A = \frac{\gamma}{\hbar \Omega}$$

The Probability of finding the state in the excited state therefore is,

$$|c_2(t)|^2 = \frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma^2 + \hbar^2(\omega^2 - \omega_{21}^2)/4} \sin^2 \Omega t$$

ii)

When using perturbation theory,

$$c_2(t) = c_2^{(0)}(t) + c_2^{(1)}(t) + \dots$$

$c_2^{(0)}(t) = 0$ is our initial condition as it is the unperturbed term.

The first order perturbation is, $c_2^{(1)}(t) = -\frac{i\gamma}{\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t dt' e^{i\omega_{21}t'} V_{21}(t')_s$

$$\begin{aligned} c_2^{(1)}(t) &= -\frac{i\gamma}{\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t dt' e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t'} \\ &= \frac{\gamma}{\hbar(\omega - \omega_{21})} (e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t} - e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})t_0}) \end{aligned}$$

Probability

$$\begin{aligned} |c_2(t)|^2 &\simeq |c_2^{(1)}(t)|^2 \\ &= \frac{\gamma^2}{\hbar^2(\omega - \omega_{21})^2} (2 - (e^{-i(\omega - \omega_{21})(t-t_0)} + e^{i(\omega - \omega_{21})(t-t_0)})) \\ |c_2(t)|^2 &\simeq \frac{\gamma^2}{\hbar^2(\omega - \omega_{21})^2/4} \sin^2((\omega - \omega_{21})t/2) \end{aligned}$$

Comparing this result to the exact one, we see that the requirement for perturbation is

$$\frac{\gamma}{\hbar(\omega - \omega_{21})} \ll 1$$

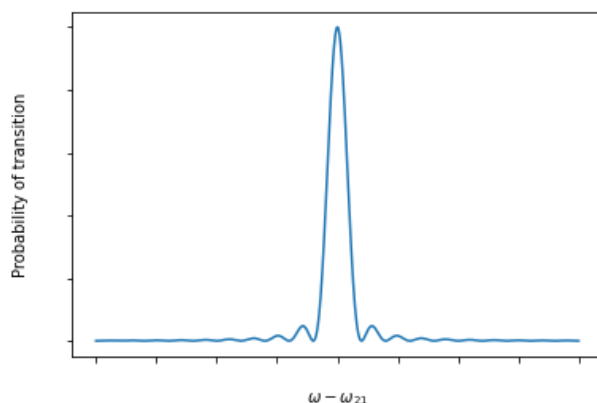
iii)

$$P(1 \rightarrow 2) = |c_2(t)|^2 \propto \frac{\sin^2((\omega - \omega_{21})t/2)}{(\omega - \omega_{21})^2}$$

The minima are as $\sin(x) = 0$ and the maxima at $\tan(x) = x$ where $x = (\omega - \omega_{21})t/2$

Therefore, the probability drops to 0 at $\frac{(\omega - \omega_{21})}{2}t = n\pi$

The probability becomes maximum when ω which is the frequency of perturbation becomes nearly equal to the energy difference between the eigenstates of the two level system (non-perturbing Hamiltonian).



Q3)

$V(x, y, z) = 0$ for $0 < x < a$, $0 < y < 2a$, $0 < z < 4a$
 $V = \infty$ everywhere else.

i)

Schrodinger eq.

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2\Psi = E\Psi$$

Separation of variables, $\Psi = \Psi_{n_x}(x)\Psi_{n_y}(y)\Psi_{n_z}(z)$

This separates the Schrodinger equation into three separate ODEs which give the solution for a particle in a box,

$$\Psi = \sqrt{\frac{8}{L_x L_y L_z}} \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi x}{L_x}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi y}{L_y}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi z}{L_z}\right)$$

and the energy eigenstates,

$$E_{n_x n_y n_z} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8m} \left(\frac{n_x^2}{L_x^2} + \frac{n_y^2}{L_y^2} + \frac{n_z^2}{L_z^2} \right)$$

As $L_x = a$, $L_y = 2a$, $L_z = 4a$,

$$\Psi(x, y, z) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^3}} \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi y}{2a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi z}{4a}\right)$$

$$E_{n_x n_y n_z} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8ma^2} \left(n_x^2 + \frac{n_y^2}{4} + \frac{n_z^2}{16} \right) \text{ for } n_x, n_y, n_z \in \mathbb{N}$$

ii)

$$E_{\text{ground}} = E_{111} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8ma^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16} \right)$$

$$E_{\text{first excited}} = E_{112} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8ma^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{4}{16} \right)$$

$$\Psi_{111} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^3}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi y}{2a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi z}{4a}\right)$$

$$\Psi_{112} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^3}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi y}{2a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi z}{2a}\right)$$

The Transition amplitude from the ground to the first excited state by using time dependent perturbation theory is,

$$c_{1 \rightarrow 2}^{(1)}(t \rightarrow \infty) = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' e^{i\omega_{21}t'} V_{21}(t')$$

$$\text{where } \omega_{21} = \frac{E_{112} - E_{111}}{\hbar} = \frac{3\pi^2 \hbar}{32ma^2}$$

$$V_{21}(t) = \langle 1, 1, 2 | V(t) | 1, 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{21}(t) &= \langle 1, 1, 2 | V(t) | 1, 1, 1 \rangle \\
&= \frac{1}{a^3} V_0 \int d^3x \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi y}{2a}\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi z}{2a}\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi z}{4a}\right) x z e^{-t^2} \\
&= \frac{e^{-t^2}}{a^3} V_0 \int_0^a dx \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) x \int_0^{2a} dy \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi y}{2a}\right) \int_0^{4a} \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi z}{2a}\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi z}{4a}\right) z \\
&= -\frac{32a^2 V_0}{9\pi^2} e^{-t^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
c_{1 \rightarrow 2}^{(1)}(t \rightarrow \infty) &= i \frac{32a^2 V_0}{9\pi^2 \hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' e^{i\omega_{21}t' - t'^2} \\
\text{Using the identity, } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt e^{i\omega t - t^2/\tau} &= \sqrt{\pi\tau} e^{-\omega^2\tau^2/4} \\
c_{1 \rightarrow 2}^{(1)}(t \rightarrow \infty) &= i \frac{32a^2 V_0}{9\pi^2 \hbar} \sqrt{\pi} e^{-\omega^2/4} \\
P_{g \rightarrow ex} &\simeq \left(\frac{32a^2 V_0}{9\pi^2 \hbar}\right)^2 \pi e^{-\omega_{21}^2/2}
\end{aligned}$$

Q2 (v) $H = H_0 + H'(t)$.

$$\psi(t) = \sum c_n(t) \psi_n e^{iE_n t/\hbar}$$

$$\dot{c}_m = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \sum_n c_n H'_{mn} e^{i(E_m - E_n)t/\hbar}$$

for the system starting out in state N .

$$c_N \approx 1 - \frac{i}{\hbar} \int H'_{NN}(t') dt'$$

$$c_M \approx -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int H'_{MN}(t') e^{i(E_M - E_N)t'/\hbar} dt' \quad M \neq N$$

ψ_n is ~~eigenstate~~ eigenstate of H_0

$$H'(t) = g x^3 e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$\psi(0) = |0\rangle$$

$$c_n = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t H'_{n0}(t') e^{i(E_n - E_0)t'/\hbar} dt'$$

$$H'_{n0} = \langle n | g x^3 e^{-t/\tau} | 0 \rangle$$

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} (a + a^\dagger)$$

$$x^3 = \left(\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}\right)^{3/2} (a^3 + a^{\dagger 3} + 2(a^2 a^\dagger + a a^{\dagger 2}) - 2a^\dagger a^2 - 2a a^{\dagger 2})$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 |0\rangle = \left(\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}\right)^{3/2} (a^{\dagger 3} + 2(a a^{\dagger 2} + a a^{\dagger 2}) - 2a^\dagger a^2 - 2a a^{\dagger 2}) |0\rangle$$

$$x^3 |0\rangle = \left(\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}\right)^{3/2} (\sqrt{6} |3\rangle + 2 |1\rangle)$$

$\Rightarrow c_n(t)$ is non-zero only for $n=3$ & $n=1$.

$$c_3 = -g i A^3 \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\hbar} \int_0^t e^{(3i - \frac{1}{\tau})t'} dt' \quad \text{--- } A = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}}$$

$$c_3 = -i g \frac{A^3 \sqrt{6}}{\hbar (3i - \frac{1}{\tau})} (e^{(3i - \frac{1}{\tau})t} - 1)$$

$$c_1(t) = \frac{-2igAs}{\hbar \cdot (i - \frac{1}{\tau})} \left(e^{(i - \frac{1}{\tau})t} - 1 \right)$$

$$c_0(t) \approx 1 - \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t H'_{00}(t') dt'$$

$$= 1 \quad (H_{00} = 0)$$

$$|c_0(t)|^2 \approx 1 - |c_1(t)|^2 - |c_3(t)|^2$$

(this result might not be exact as we are using perturbation theory)

$$(ii) \quad H_1(t) = gX^2 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$c_n = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t H'_{n0}(t') e^{i(E_n - E_0)t'/\hbar} dt'$$

$$H_{n0} = \langle n | gX^2 \cos(\omega t) | 0 \rangle$$

$$\langle n | X^2 | 0 \rangle = \langle n | a a^\dagger + a^\dagger a + a^2 + a^{2\dagger} | 0 \rangle \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{n0} = \frac{g \cos(\omega t)}{2m\omega} (\langle n | 0 \rangle + \sqrt{2} \langle n | 2 \rangle)$$

\Rightarrow non-zero for $n = 0$ or 2 .

$$H_{00} = \frac{\hbar g \cos(\omega t)}{2m\omega}$$

$$H_{20} = \frac{\hbar g \cos(\omega t)}{\sqrt{2}m\omega}$$

$$c_2 = -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t \frac{\hbar g \cos(\omega t')}{\sqrt{2}m\omega} e^{i(E_2 - E_0)t'/\hbar} dt'$$

$$= -\frac{4ig}{\sqrt{2}m\omega} (A - e^{i\omega t}) \left(\frac{\hbar \omega \cos(\omega t)}{2i} e^{i\omega t/\hbar} - \frac{\hbar \omega \sin(\omega t)}{2i} e^{i\omega t/\hbar} \right)$$

$$C_0(t) = 1 - \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t H_{00}(t') dt'$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^t g \frac{\cos(\Omega + 1)t'}{2m\omega} dt'$$

$$\rightarrow C_0(t) = 1 - \frac{1}{2m\omega} g \sin(\Omega t)$$
