
Assignment 7 - Harmonic Oscillator - III (matching)

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Theory :

(a) The approximate solution is of the form:

$$\psi(x) = A e^{-x^2/2} + B e^{x^2/2}$$

\downarrow \downarrow
 Physical solution Unphysical solution

While solving the equation analytically, we make $B = 0$, hence ignoring the unphysical solution.

But numerically, in the large values of x , the unphysical solution dominates over the physical solution.

The physical solution decays rapidly to zero and the unphysical solution which grows exponentially to $\pm \infty$.

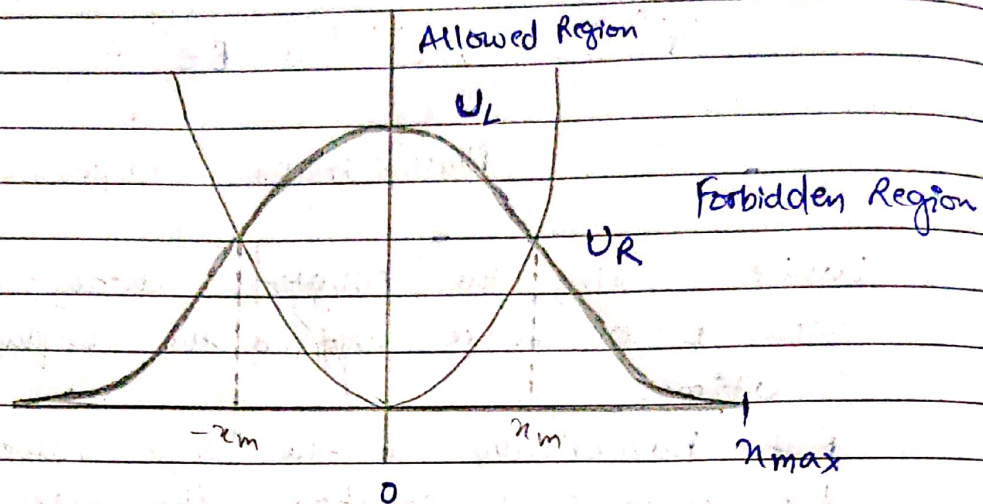
Even if we use a guess value of E to be exactly equal to an energy eigenvalue, numerical errors will cause the solution to grow into the unphysical one.

When solving the system numerically, however, numerical error causes the non physical solution,

$\rightarrow e^{x^2/2}$ on right boundary and
 $\rightarrow e^{-x^2/2}$ on the left boundary

to influence the result.

(b) The instability may be controlled by matching the solution at a point in the allowed region.



we can perform two integrations and generate two solutions:

1. Start from $x=0$ and integrate forward $\rightarrow U_L$
2. Start from $x=x_{max}$ and integrate backward $\rightarrow U_R$

we choose a matching point x_m (usually the classical turning point) somewhere in the allowed region and match the solutions at $x=x_m$.

By multiplying one of the solutions by a constant we can ensure that,

$$U_L(x_m) = U_R(x_m) = U(x_m).$$

The test for a true match is that

$$\left. \frac{dU_L}{dx} \right|_{x=x_m} = \left. \frac{dU_R}{dx} \right|_{x=x_m}$$

we start with a guess value of E , and with a simple root finding method, we find that value of E for which the points at n_m and the derivative at n_m both match.

This produces a continuous solution of the eq. which will always go to 0 as n approaches n_{max} because we set the initial condition as such.

This removes the instability at the large values of n and wave function goes to 0 at n_{max} .

Asymptotic solutions are hence obtained.

Programming

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1 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
2 import numpy as np
3 from scipy.integrate import simps
4 import pandas as pd
5 from scipy.optimize import newton, fsolve
6
7
8 def alpha(x, e):
9
10     return 2*(e - (1/2)*(x**2))
11
12 def numerov(f, x_range, u0, e, key):
13
14     h = x_range[1] - x_range[0]
15     if key == 1:
16         h = -h
17
18     U_i = np.zeros(len(x_range))
19     C_i = np.ones(len(x_range)) + np.multiply((h**2)/12, f(x_range, e))
20
21     U_i[0] = u0
22
23     if u0 == 0:
24         U_i[1] = u0 + h
25     else:
26         U_i[1] = ((6 - 5*C_i[0])/C_i[1])*u0
27
28     for i in range(1, len(x_range)-1):
29         U_i[i+1] = (1/C_i[i+1])*((12-10*C_i[i])*U_i[i] - C_i[i-1]*U_i[i-1])
30
31     return x_range, U_i, C_i
32
33 def turning_points(x_range, e, alpha):
34
35     q = alpha(x_range, e)
36     for i in range(1, len(x_range)):
37
38         if q[i-1]*q[i] < 0:
39             return x_range[i], i
40
41
42 def e_shooting(n_node, E_min, E_max, x_range, initial_cond):
43
44     N_node = 100
45
46     while N_node != n_node:
47
48         I = []
49         E = (E_min+E_max)/2
50
51         u = numerov(alpha, x_range, initial_cond, E, key = 0)[1]
52
53
54         for i in range(1, len(u)):
55
56             if (u[i-1]*u[i]) < 0:
57
58                 I.append(i)
59
60         N_node = len(I)
61
62         if N_node > int((n_node)/2):
63
64             E_max = E
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66         elif N_node < int((n_node)/2):
67             E_min = E
68         else:
69             return E, E+0.1
70
71     return E, E+0.1
72
73
74
75 def phi(e):
76     turning_pt = turning_points(x_range, e, alpha)
77
78     xL, uL, cL = numerov(alpha, np.linspace(0,turning_pt[0],len(x_range)), 1, e,
79     key = 0)
80
81     xR, uR, cR = numerov(alpha, np.linspace(x_range[-1], turning_pt[0], len(x_range)
82     )), 0, e, key = 1)
83
84     uR_new = (uR/uR[-1])*uL[-1]
85
86     return (uL[-2]+uR_new[-2]-((12*cL[-1]-10)*uL[-1]))/(x_range[1]-x_range[0])
87
88
89 def extending_func(x_range, n_node, initial_cond):
90
91     guess1, guess2= e_shooting(n_node, 0, 5, x_range, initial_cond)
92     zero = newton(phi, x0 = guess1, x1 = guess2, fprime = None)
93
94     turning_pt = turning_points(x_range, zero, alpha)
95
96
97     uR = numerov(alpha, np.linspace(0,turning_pt[0],len(x_range)), 1, zero, key =
98     0)
99
100     uL = numerov(alpha, np.linspace(x_range[-1], turning_pt[0], len(x_range)), 0,
101     zero, key = 1)
102
103     uL_new = (uL[1]/uL[1][-1])*uR[1][-1]
104
105     xLL = np.flip(uL[0])
106     uLL = np.flip(uL_new)
107
108     u_final = np.concatenate((uR[1], uLL))
109     x_final = np.concatenate((uR[0], xLL))
110
111     if u_final[0] == 0:
112         flipped_u = -np.flip(u_final)
113         extended_u = np.concatenate((flipped_u[:-1], u_final))
114
115         flipped_x = -np.flip(x_final)
116         extended_x = np.concatenate((flipped_x[:-1], x_final))
117
118     else:
119         flipped_u = np.flip(u_final)
120         extended_u = np.concatenate((flipped_u[:-1], u_final))
121
122         flipped_x = -np.flip(x_final)
123         extended_x = np.concatenate((flipped_x[:-1], x_final))
124
125     return extended_x, extended_u, zero
126
127
128 x_range = np.linspace(0,2,100)

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129
130 x1, u1, z1= extending_func(x_range, 0, 1)
131
132 n = [1]
133 e = [0.5]
134
135 data = {
136
137     'n': n,
138     'Calculated eigen value': z1,
139     'Analytical eigen value': e,
140
141 }
142
143 df = pd.DataFrame(data)
144 print(df)
145
146 plt.scatter(x1, u1, label = 'N=1', s = 5)
147 plt.title('Wave Function for n = 1')
148 plt.xlabel('x')
149 plt.ylabel('u(x)')
150 plt.grid()
151 plt.legend()
152 plt.show()
153
154 plt.scatter(x1, u1**2, label = 'N=1', s = 5)
155 plt.title('Probability Density for n = 1')
156 plt.xlabel('x')
157 plt.ylabel('|u(x)^2|')
158 plt.grid()
159 plt.legend()
160 plt.show()

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Result and Discussion

	n	Calculated eigen value	Analytical eigen value
0	1	0.524034	0.5

Figure 1: Eigen Values

The calculated eigen value comes out to be the above value for the ground state.

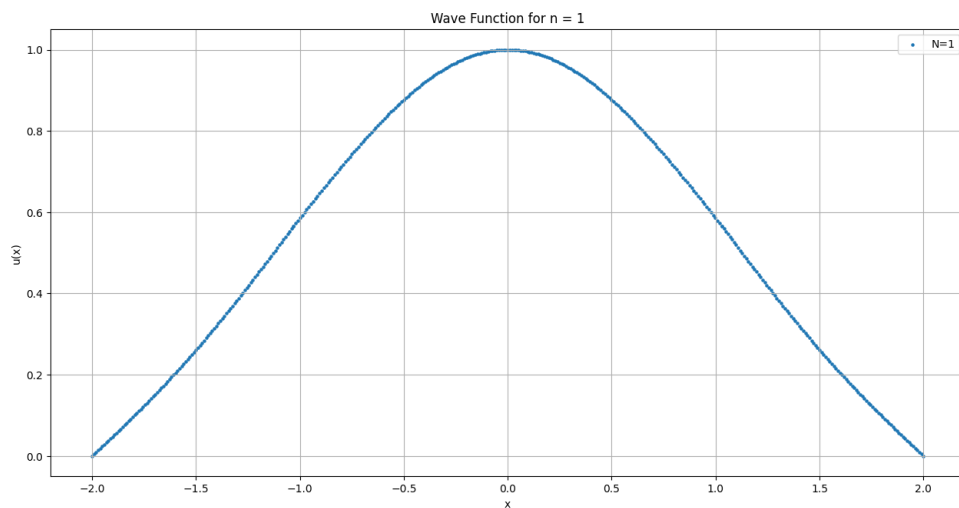


Figure 2: Ground State Wave Function

Wave Function for ground state.

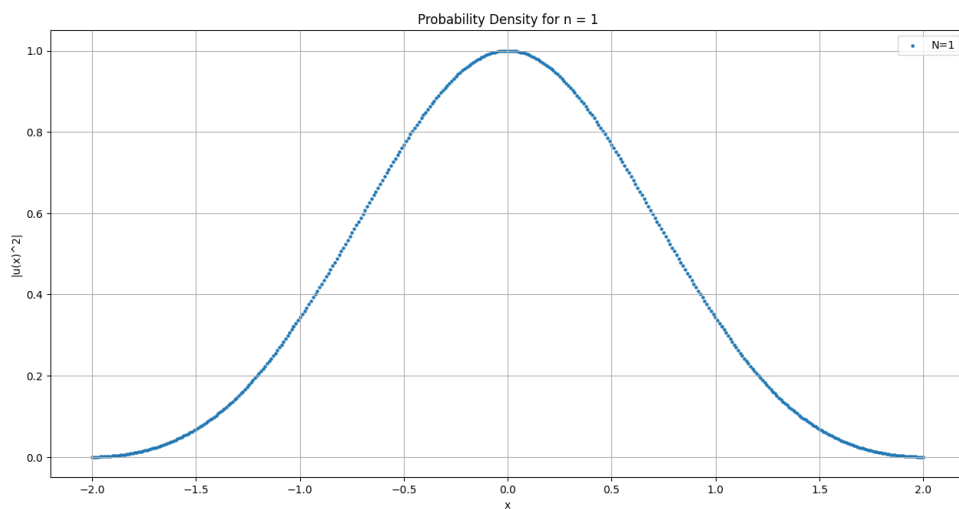


Figure 3: Ground State Probability Density

Probability Density for ground state.