

量子信息基础 C2-1 Assignment Answer

Question 1、A particle of mass m has the wave function $\psi(x, t) = Ae^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar)+it]}$, where A and a are positive real constants.

(a) Normalize ψ .

$$1 = 2|A|^2 \int_0^\infty e^{-2amx^2/\hbar} dx = 2|A|^2 \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{(2am/\hbar)}} = |A|^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2am}}; A = \left(\frac{2am}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4}.$$

(b) Determine the expectation values of x , x^2 and Δx^2 ($\langle \Delta x^2 \rangle = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2$).

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^\infty x |\psi|^2 dx = 0.$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = 2|A|^2 \int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-2amx^2/\hbar} dx = 2|A|^2 \frac{1}{2^2(2am/\hbar)} \sqrt{\frac{\pi\hbar}{2am}} = \frac{\hbar}{4am}.$$

$$\langle \Delta x^2 \rangle = \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2 = \frac{\hbar}{4am}.$$

(c) Determine the expectation values of p , p^2 and Δp^2 ($\langle \Delta p^2 \rangle = \langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2$).

$$\langle p \rangle = m \frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt} = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p^2 \rangle &= \int \psi^* \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^2 \psi dx = -\hbar^2 \int \psi^* \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} dx = -\hbar^2 \int \psi^* \left[-\frac{2am}{\hbar} \left(1 - \frac{2amx^2}{\hbar} \right) \psi \right] dx \\ &= 2am\hbar \left\{ \int |\psi|^2 dx - \frac{2am}{\hbar} \int x^2 |\psi|^2 dx \right\} \\ &= 2am\hbar \left(1 - \frac{2am}{\hbar} \langle x^2 \rangle \right) = 2am\hbar \left(1 - \frac{2am}{\hbar} \frac{\hbar}{4am} \right) = 2am\hbar \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = am\hbar. \\ \langle \Delta p^2 \rangle &= \langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2 = am\hbar. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Check the Heisenberg's uncertainty principle in this special case.

$$\Delta x \Delta p = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{4am}} \sqrt{am\hbar} = \frac{\hbar}{2}.$$

Question 2、A photon propagates in the z direction and passes a linear optical polarizer which is oriented in the x direction (see figure below). The state in Figure (a) is ψ_a while the state in Figure (b) is ψ_b .

(a) Write down the formula of ψ_c , assuming the light beam is polarized with an angle of α to the x axis.

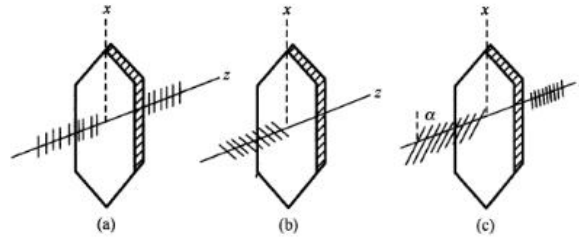
$$\psi_\alpha = \cos \alpha \cdot \psi_x + \sin \alpha \cdot \psi_y$$

(b) How much is the probability that a single photon could pass the polarizer in (c)?

$$P = |\cos \alpha|^2$$

(c) How does the system maintain the normalization condition?

$$|\cos \alpha|^2 + |\sin \alpha|^2 = 1$$



Question 3、 Show that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 dx = 0$$

for any two (normalizable) solutions to the Schrödinger equation (with the same $V(x)$), Ψ_1 and Ψ_2 .

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \Psi_1^*}{\partial t} \Psi_2 + \Psi_1^* \frac{\partial \Psi_2}{\partial t} dx$$

Schrodinger equation

$$\begin{aligned} -i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi_1^*}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_1^*}{\partial x^2} + V \Psi_1^* \\ i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi_2}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_2}{\partial x^2} + V \Psi_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\hbar}{2im} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_1^*}{\partial x^2} - \frac{V}{i\hbar} \Psi_1^* \right] \Psi_2 + \Psi_1^* \left[-\frac{\hbar}{2im} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{V}{i\hbar} \Psi_2 \right] dx$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\hbar}{2im} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_1^*}{\partial x^2} \Psi_2 - \Psi_1^* \frac{\hbar}{2im} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_2}{\partial x^2} dx$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 dx = \frac{\hbar}{2im} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial \Psi_1^*}{\partial x} \Psi_2 - \Psi_1^* \frac{\partial \Psi_2}{\partial x} \right) dx$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 dx = \frac{\hbar}{2im} \left(\frac{\partial \Psi_1^*}{\partial x} \Psi_2 - \Psi_1^* \frac{\partial \Psi_2}{\partial x} \right) \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 dx = 0$$