

① Say $|\varphi\rangle$ is an element of a set of linearly independent vectors spanning the entire \mathcal{H} -space.

Say this set is $\{|\varphi_i\rangle\}$, where $|\varphi_1\rangle = |\varphi\rangle$.

Now using Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization, we convert the set with orthonormal elements, $\{|\tilde{\varphi}_i\rangle\}$, where $|\tilde{\varphi}_1\rangle = \frac{|\varphi\rangle}{\sqrt{\langle\varphi|\varphi\rangle}} \propto \sum_{i=1} |\tilde{\varphi}_i\rangle \langle\tilde{\varphi}_i| = \mathbb{I}$

Consider the inner product of $|\psi\rangle$,

$$\langle\psi|\psi\rangle = \langle\psi|\sum_i |\varphi_i\rangle\langle\varphi_i|\psi\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^d \langle\psi|\tilde{\varphi}_i\rangle\langle\tilde{\varphi}_i|\psi\rangle$$

$$= \langle\psi|\tilde{\varphi}_1\rangle\langle\tilde{\varphi}_1|\psi\rangle + \sum_{i=2}^d |\langle\psi|\tilde{\varphi}_i\rangle|^2$$

$$\geq \langle\psi|\tilde{\varphi}_1\rangle\langle\tilde{\varphi}_1|\psi\rangle = \frac{\langle\psi|\varphi\rangle\langle\varphi|\psi\rangle}{\langle\varphi|\varphi\rangle}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle\psi|\psi\rangle\langle\varphi|\varphi\rangle \geq |\langle\psi|\varphi\rangle|^2$$

② (a) M_i is hermitian, then $M_i = \sum \lambda_m |e_m\rangle \langle e_m|$.

The property $M_i^2 = \mathbb{I}$ implies $\lambda_m^2 = 1$.

Thus, $\lambda_m = \pm 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{b} \quad \text{Tr}(M_i) &= \text{Tr}(M_j M_j M_i), \text{ with } i \neq j \\ &= -\text{Tr}(M_j M_i M_j) \\ &= -\text{Tr}(M_i M_j M_j) = -\text{Tr}(M_i) \end{aligned}$$

This is satisfied if $\text{Tr}(M_i) = 0$.

③ Since the eigen values are ± 1 & trace equals to zero, the 'd' has to be even to make equal number of $+1$ & -1 eigenvalues.

③ The unnormalized vector is

$$|\psi\rangle = (1+i)|z, +\rangle + (1+i\sqrt{3})|z, -\rangle \text{ and } \langle\psi|\psi\rangle = 6$$

The normalized vector, ie the spin state, is

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{\psi}\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\langle\psi|\psi\rangle}} |\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} [(1+i)|z, +\rangle + (1+i\sqrt{3})|z, -\rangle] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} e^{i\pi/4} |z, +\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} e^{i\pi/3} |z, -\rangle \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} 1+i = \sqrt{2} e^{i\pi/4} \\ 1+i\sqrt{3} = 2 e^{i\pi/3} \end{array} \right] \\ &= e^{i\pi/4} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |z, +\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} e^{i\pi/12} |z, -\rangle \right] \\ &\approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |z, +\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} e^{i\pi/12} |z, -\rangle \\ &= \sin \frac{\theta}{2} |z, +\rangle + \cos \frac{\theta}{2} e^{i\pi/12} |z, -\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \theta = 2 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right), \quad \phi = \pi/12.$$

④ Initial state and Hamiltonian are

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = \alpha|r\rangle + \beta|l\rangle \quad \propto$$

$$H = \delta (|r\rangle\langle l| + |l\rangle\langle r|)$$

⑤ The normalized eigenkets are

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|r\rangle + |l\rangle)$ & $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|r\rangle - |l\rangle)$ with
the corresponding eigenvalues
+ δ and - δ respectively.

Note, $H = \delta \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, for $|r\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ & $|l\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
 $= \delta \sigma_x$.

⑥ The time evolution operator is

$$\begin{aligned} U(t) &= e^{-iHt/\hbar} = e^{-i\delta\sigma_x t/\hbar} \\ &= \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \mathbb{I} - i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_x. \end{aligned}$$

So the state at time t is

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi(t)\rangle &= U(t) |\Psi(0)\rangle \\ &= \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) |\Psi(0)\rangle - i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_x |\Psi(0)\rangle \\ &= \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \alpha |x\rangle + \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \beta |y\rangle - i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \alpha |y\rangle \\ &\quad - i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \beta |x\rangle \\ &= \left(\alpha \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) - i\beta \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \right) |x\rangle + \left(\cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \beta - i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \alpha \right) |y\rangle \end{aligned}$$

(c) At time $t=0$, the particle is in $|r\rangle$.
It means $\alpha=1$ & $\beta=0$. Thus the time-evolved state is

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \alpha \cos\left(\frac{\mathcal{E}t}{\hbar}\right) |r\rangle - i\alpha \sin\left(\frac{\mathcal{E}t}{\hbar}\right) |l\rangle.$$

The time-dependent probability of finding the particle in $|l\rangle$ is

$$p_l(t) = \alpha^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\mathcal{E}t}{\hbar}\right).$$

(d) Say $|\Psi(t)\rangle = \alpha(t)|r\rangle + \beta(t)|l\rangle$.

Then according to Schrödinger equation -

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} |\Psi(t)\rangle = H |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow i\hbar \left(\dot{\alpha}(t)|r\rangle + \dot{\beta}(t)|l\rangle \right) = \delta \sigma_x \left(\alpha(t)|r\rangle + \beta(t)|l\rangle \right) \\ = \delta \left(\alpha(t)|l\rangle + \beta(t)|r\rangle \right)$$

Thus the coupled equations are

$$\dot{\alpha}(t) = \frac{\delta}{i\hbar} \beta(t) \quad \& \quad \dot{\beta}(t) = \frac{\delta}{i\hbar} \alpha(t).$$

(2) $A_S = |\chi\rangle\langle\chi| = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{I} + \sigma_z)$. $\sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

The corresponding Heisenberg operator is

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_H(t) &= U^\dagger(t) A_S U(t) = \frac{1}{2} U^\dagger(t) \sigma_z U(t) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{I} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \mathbb{I} + i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_x \right] \sigma_z \left[\cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \mathbb{I} - i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_x \right] + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{I} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos^2\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_z - i \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_z \sigma_x + i \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_x \sigma_z \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sin^2\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_x \sigma_z \sigma_x \right] + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{I} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos^2\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_z + i \cos\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) [\sigma_x, \sigma_z] + \sin^2\left(\frac{\delta t}{\hbar}\right) (-\sigma_z) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{I} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_z + \sin\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_y + \mathbb{I} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

The Heisenberg equation of motion is

$$\frac{dA_H(t)}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} [H_H, A_H(t)] = \frac{i}{\hbar} [H, A_H(t)]$$

$$= \frac{i}{\hbar} \left[\delta \sigma_x, \cos\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_z + \sin\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_y + \mathbb{I} \right] \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{i}{2\hbar} \left(\delta \cos\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) [\sigma_x, \sigma_z] + \delta \sin\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) [\sigma_x, \sigma_y] \right)$$

$$= \frac{i}{2\hbar} \left(\delta \cos\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) (-2i \sigma_y) + \delta \sin\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) (2i \sigma_z) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\hbar} \left[\delta \cos\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_y - \delta \sin\left(\frac{2\delta t}{\hbar}\right) \sigma_z \right].$$

(f) The 'unitary' operator, corresponding to the Hamiltonian $H = \delta |l\rangle\langle r|$, is

$$V(t) = e^{-iHt/\hbar} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-iHt/\hbar)^n}{n!} = \mathbb{I} - \frac{i}{\hbar} Ht,$$

because $H^2 = H \cdot H = \delta^2 |l\rangle\langle r|l\rangle\langle r| = 0$ and all other higher powers vanish.

Thus $V(t) = \mathbb{I} - \frac{i\delta t}{\hbar} |l\rangle\langle r|$. Now apply the operator on a normalized state $|r\rangle$. Then $|r'\rangle = V(t)|r\rangle = |r\rangle - \frac{i\delta t}{\hbar} |l\rangle$.

Now for any $\delta > 0$, $t > 0$, the $\langle r'|r'\rangle > 1$. So, the probability is not conserved. (You shall have similar observation with $|N(0)\rangle$.)