

What is the state of  $|p_0\rangle$  displaced from origin by  $x_0$ ?

$$|\psi\rangle = \hat{S}(x_0) |p_0\rangle = e^{-ix_0 \hat{p}/\hbar} |p_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{ix_0}{\hbar} \cdot \frac{i\hbar}{2\sigma} (a^\dagger - a)} |p_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} (a^\dagger - a)} |p_0\rangle =$$

Recall:  $e^{A+B} = e^A e^B e^{-\frac{1}{2}[A,B]}$

$$A = \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a^\dagger$$

$$B = -\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a$$

$$|\psi\rangle = e^{\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a^\dagger} e^{-\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a^\dagger, -\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a \right]} |p_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a^\dagger} e^{-\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \right)^2 [a, a^\dagger]} |p_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a^\dagger} e^{-\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a} e^{-\frac{x_0^2}{4\sigma^2}} |p_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{x_0^2}{4\sigma^2}} e^{\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a^\dagger} e^{-\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a} |p_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{x_0^2}{4\sigma^2}} \left[ e^{\frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} a^\dagger} \right] |p_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{x_0^2}{4\sigma^2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \right)^n \frac{(a^\dagger)^n |p_0\rangle}{n! |p_n\rangle} =$$

$$|\psi\rangle = e^{-\frac{x_0^2}{4\sigma^2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \right)^n |p_n\rangle$$

$$|\alpha\rangle = e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |p_n\rangle \quad \text{w/ } \alpha = \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}$$

$$a|\alpha\rangle = \alpha|\alpha\rangle$$

$$|\psi(t=0)\rangle = |\alpha = \frac{x_0}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\rangle$$

# Properties of coherent states

1. normalized but not orthogonal

2. Evolution in time?

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hbar \omega}{2}$$

$$\hat{U}(t) = e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} = e^{-i\omega t (a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2})}$$

$$|\psi(0)\rangle = |\alpha_0\rangle$$

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-i\omega t (a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2})} |\alpha_0\rangle =$$
$$= e^{-i\omega t/2} e^{-i\omega t a^\dagger a} |\alpha_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-i\omega t/2} \underbrace{e^{-i\omega t N}}_{=1} |\alpha_0\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{i\omega t}{2}} e^{-i\omega t N} e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_0^n}{n!} |n\rangle =$$

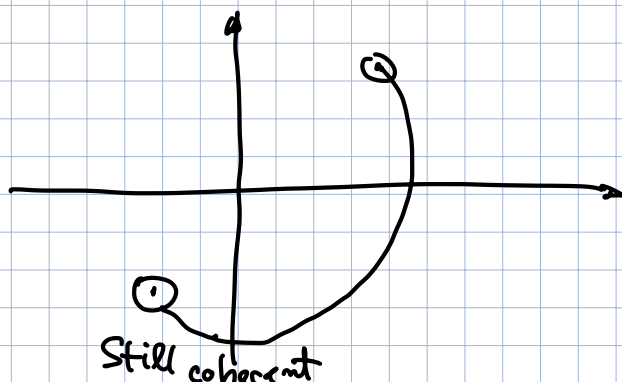
$$= e^{-\frac{i\omega t}{2}} e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_0^n}{n!} \underbrace{e^{-i\omega t N}}_{=1} |n\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{i\omega t}{2}} e^{-\frac{|\alpha|^2}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \underbrace{(\alpha_0 e^{-i\omega t})^n}_{=1} |n\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{i\omega t}{2}} |\alpha_0 e^{-i\omega t}\rangle =$$

$$= e^{-\frac{i\omega t}{2}} |\alpha(t)\rangle$$

$$\alpha(t) = \alpha_0 \cdot e^{-i\omega t}$$



### 3. Pos and momentum expectation values

$$a|\alpha(t)\rangle = \alpha(t)|\alpha(t)\rangle \quad | \cdot \rangle \text{ H.C.}$$
$$\langle \alpha(t)|a^\dagger = \alpha^*(t)\langle \alpha(t)|$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \langle x \rangle_t &= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} \langle \alpha(t) | a^\dagger + a | \alpha(t) \rangle = \\&= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \langle \alpha(t) | a^\dagger | \alpha(t) \rangle + \langle \alpha(t) | a | \alpha(t) \rangle \right] = \\&= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \alpha^*(t) \underbrace{\langle \alpha(t) | \alpha(t) \rangle}_1 + \alpha(t) \underbrace{\langle \alpha(t) | \alpha(t) \rangle}_1 \right] \\&= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} [\alpha^*(t) + \alpha(t)] = \\&= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re}[\alpha(t)]\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\operatorname{Re}[\alpha(t)] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\langle x \rangle(t)}{\sigma}}$$

Similarly for momentum:

$$\boxed{\operatorname{Im}[\alpha(t)] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{\sigma \langle p \rangle(t)}{\hbar} \right)}$$

$$\boxed{\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \frac{\langle x \rangle(t)}{\sigma} + i \frac{\sigma \langle p \rangle(t)}{\hbar} \right]}$$

### 4. Position & momentum uncertainties

$$\begin{aligned}\langle x^2 \rangle_\alpha &= \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \langle a^{\dagger 2} + \underbrace{a^\dagger a + a a^\dagger}_{1+a^\dagger a} + a^2 \rangle = \\&= \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \left[ \langle \alpha | a^{\dagger 2} | \alpha \rangle + 2 \cdot \langle \alpha | a^\dagger a | \alpha \rangle + \langle \alpha | 1 | \alpha \rangle + \langle \alpha | a^2 | \alpha \rangle \right] \\&= \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \left[ (\alpha^*)^2 + 2|\alpha|^2 + 1 + \alpha^2 \right] = \\&= \frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} [\alpha^*(t) + \alpha(t)]^2 \\ \langle x^2 \rangle_\alpha &= \frac{\sigma^2}{2} + \langle x \rangle^2(t)\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle_\alpha - \langle x \rangle_\alpha^2} =$$

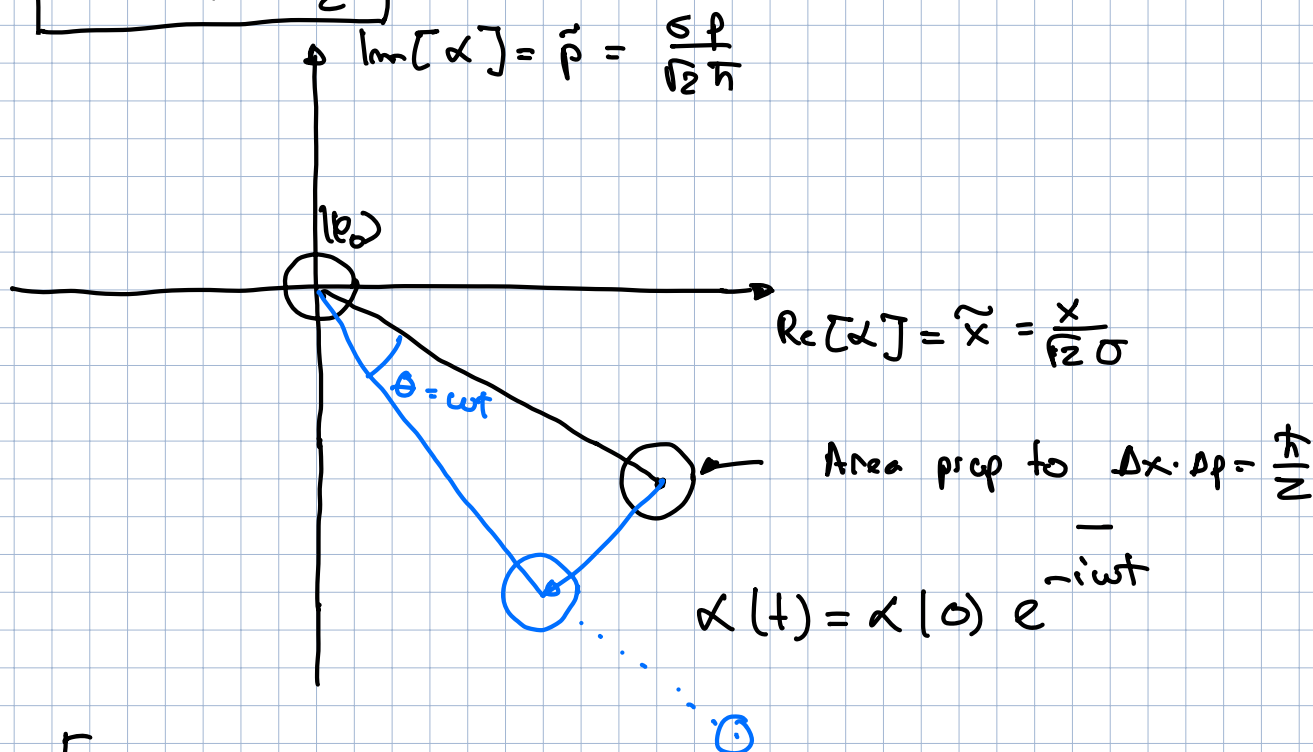
$$= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- same as  $|\varphi_0\rangle$

- time independent

$$\Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}$$

$$\Delta x \cdot \Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$



5. Energy

$$\langle N \rangle_\alpha = \langle \alpha | a^\dagger a | \alpha \rangle = \underline{|\alpha|^2}$$

$$\langle H \rangle_\alpha = \hbar \omega \left( |\alpha|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

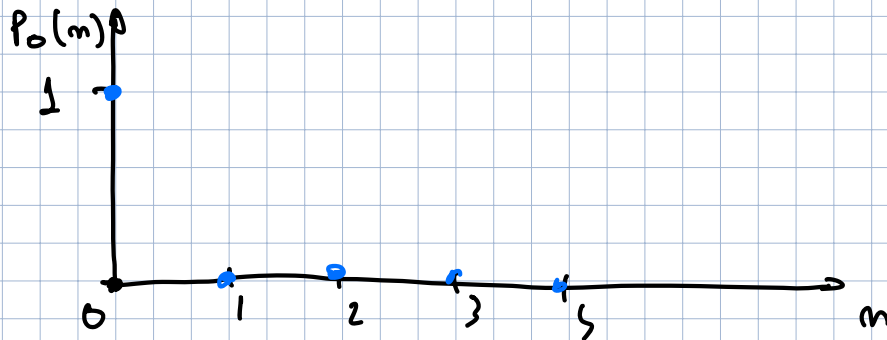
$$\langle H^2 \rangle_\alpha = \hbar^2 \omega^2 \left( |\alpha|^4 + 2|\alpha|^2 + \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

$$\Delta H = \hbar \omega |\alpha|$$

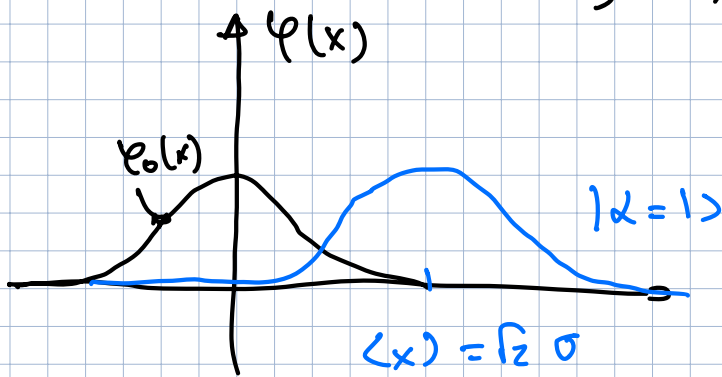
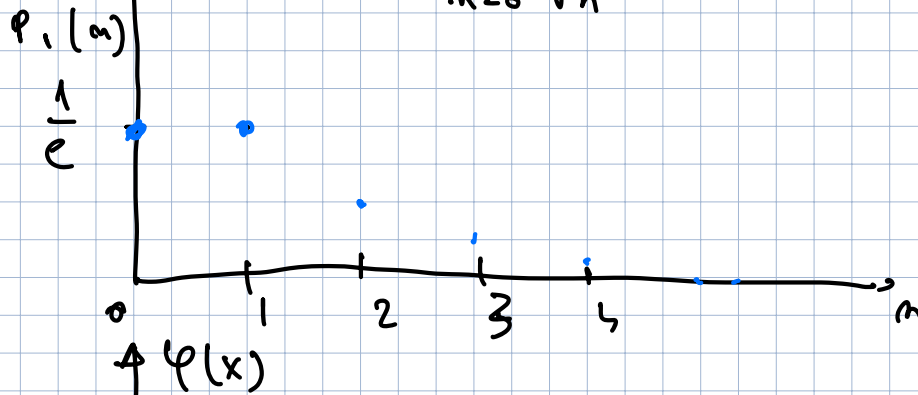
$$P_\alpha(E_m) = \langle \alpha | \hat{P}_m | \alpha \rangle = \langle \alpha | \varphi_m^\dagger \varphi_m | \alpha \rangle =$$

$$P_\alpha(E_m) = |\langle \alpha | \varphi_m \rangle|^2 = \frac{|\alpha|^{2m}}{m!} e^{-|\alpha|^2}$$

ex:  $|\alpha=0\rangle = |\varphi_0\rangle$   $P_0(m) = \frac{0^{2m}}{m!} e^{-0} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m=0 \\ 0 & \text{if } m>0 \end{cases}$

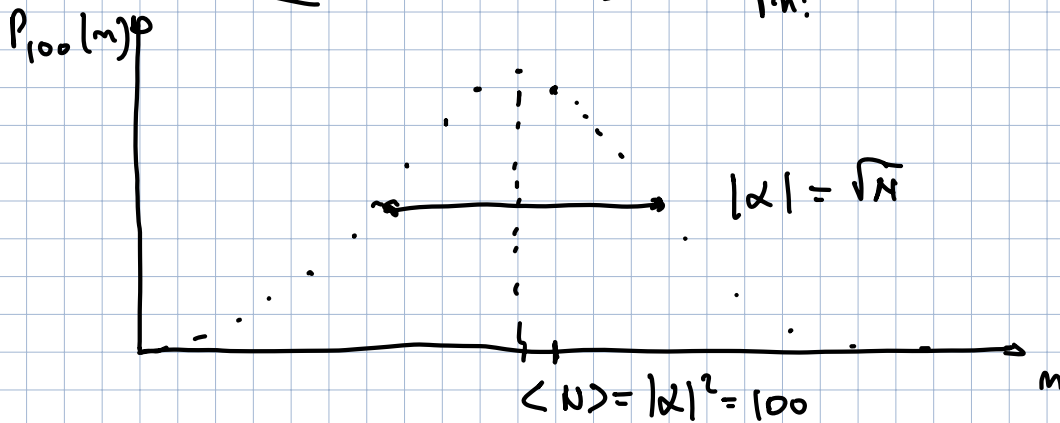


$|\alpha=1\rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n!}} |\varphi_n\rangle$   $P_1(m) = \frac{1}{m!} e^{-1}$



$P(E) = E_0 = \frac{1}{2}$

$|\alpha=10i\rangle = e^{-50} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(10i)^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |\varphi_n\rangle$   $P_{100}(m) = \frac{100^m}{m!} e^{-100}$



## 6. Displacement Operator

$$\hat{D}(\alpha_0) |\varphi_0\rangle = |\alpha_0\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{D}(\alpha_0) &= \hat{T}(\langle p \rangle) \hat{S}(\langle x \rangle) e^{-i \langle x \rangle \langle p \rangle / \hbar} = \\ &= \hat{S}(\langle x \rangle) \hat{T}(\langle p \rangle) e^{i \langle x \rangle \langle p \rangle / \hbar} = \\ &= e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} (\hat{x} \langle p \rangle + \hat{p} \langle x \rangle)}\end{aligned}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{\hat{x}}{\sigma} + \frac{i \sigma \hat{p}}{\hbar} \right)$$

$$a^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{\hat{x}}{\sigma} - \frac{i \sigma \hat{p}}{\hbar} \right)$$

$$\alpha_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{\langle x \rangle}{\sigma} + \frac{i \sigma \langle p \rangle}{\hbar} \right)$$

$$\alpha_0^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{\langle x \rangle}{\sigma} - \frac{i \sigma \langle p \rangle}{\hbar} \right)$$

$$\hat{D}(\alpha_0) = e^{\alpha_0 \hat{a}^\dagger - \alpha_0^* \hat{a}}$$

$D(\alpha_0)$  - pos translation by  $\langle x \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{2} \sigma \operatorname{Re}[\alpha_0]}{1}$   
mom trans. by  $\langle p \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{2} \hbar}{\sigma} \operatorname{Im}[\alpha_0]$

$$D(\alpha_0) |\varphi_0\rangle -$$

ex:  $D(\alpha_0) |\varphi_0\rangle$

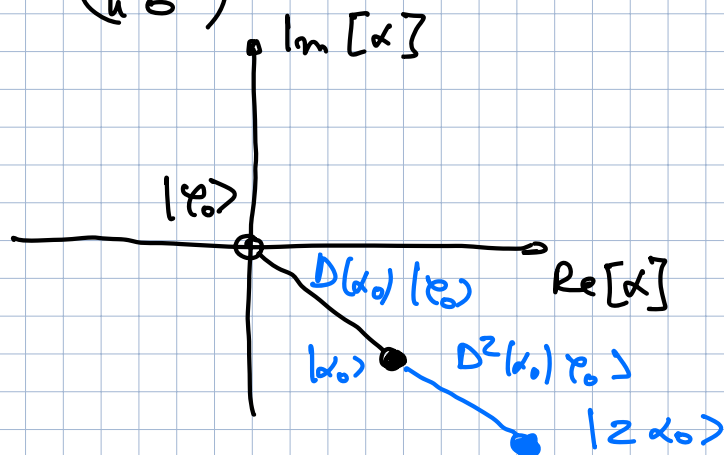
$$\hat{D} = e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{(5+10i)}{\alpha_0} a^\dagger - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{(5-10i)}{\alpha_0^*} a}$$

$$\alpha_0 = 5 + 10i \Rightarrow \langle x \rangle = \frac{5\sigma}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \langle p \rangle = 10 \frac{\hbar}{\sigma}$$

$$\langle x | \varphi_0 \rangle = \left( \frac{1}{\pi \sigma^2} \right)^{1/4} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\langle x | \hat{D} | \varphi_0 \rangle = \left( \frac{1}{\pi \sigma^2} \right)^{1/4} e^{\frac{i x}{\hbar} (10 \frac{\hbar}{\sigma})} e^{-\frac{(x-5\sigma)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

Phase space



$$\hat{D}(\alpha_0) \hat{D}(\alpha_0) |\varphi_0\rangle = |2\alpha_0\rangle$$

$$\hat{D}(\alpha_1) \hat{D}(\alpha_0) |\varphi_0\rangle = |\alpha_0 + \alpha_1\rangle$$

Q:  $\langle x \rangle$  for  $\hat{D}(-\alpha_0) \hat{D}(\alpha_0) |\varphi_0\rangle = 0$   
 $\langle p \rangle$   $\hat{D}(\alpha_0^*) \hat{D}(\alpha_0) |\varphi_0\rangle = 0$

