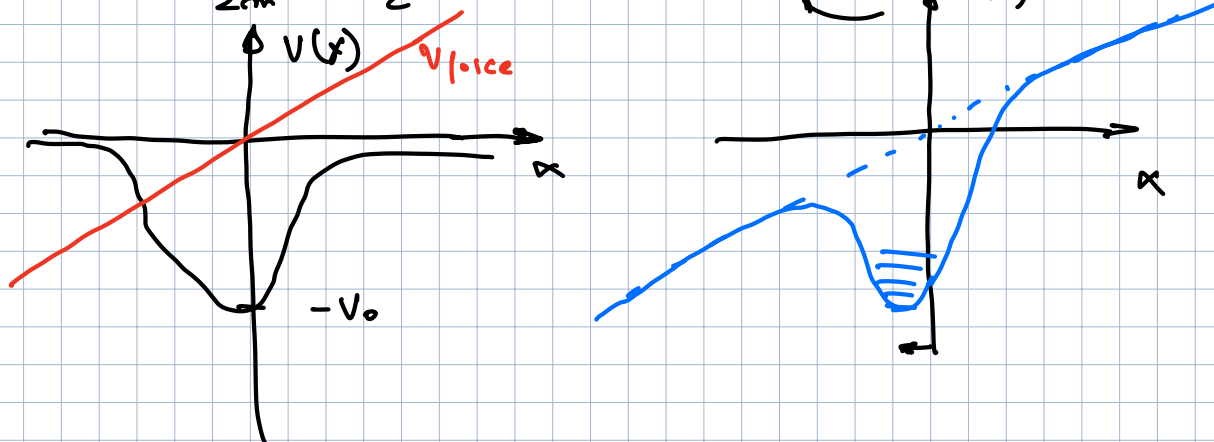


Atoms trapped by light

Gaussian potential in x , add a linear force
(magnetic, electric gradient,
light sheet w/ gradient, gravity)

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 + \underbrace{m a x}_{V_{\text{force}}}$$



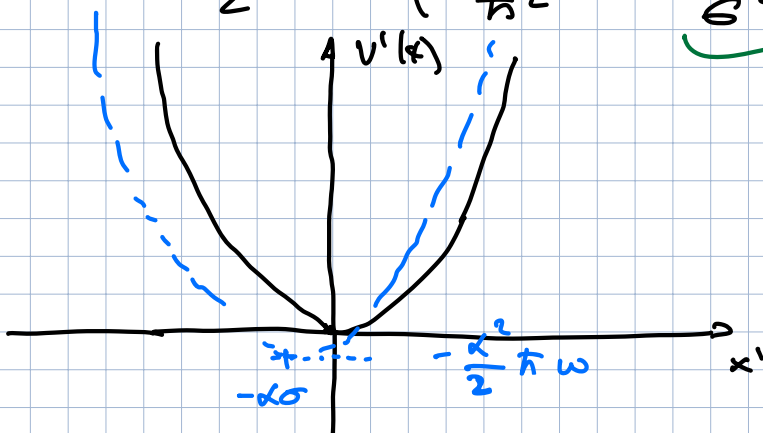
Case I: GHO - approx is still good

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \left(\frac{\sigma^2 p^2}{\hbar^2} + \frac{x^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{2 m a x}{\hbar \omega} \right) = \quad \alpha = \frac{m a \sigma}{\hbar \omega}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \left[\frac{\sigma^2 p^2}{\hbar^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (x^2 + 2 \alpha x \sigma) \right] =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \left[\frac{\sigma^2 p^2}{\hbar^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (x + \alpha \sigma)^2 - \alpha^2 \right] =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \left(\frac{\sigma^2 p^2}{\hbar^2} + \frac{x'^2}{\sigma^2} \right) - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \hbar \omega \quad x' = x + \alpha \sigma$$

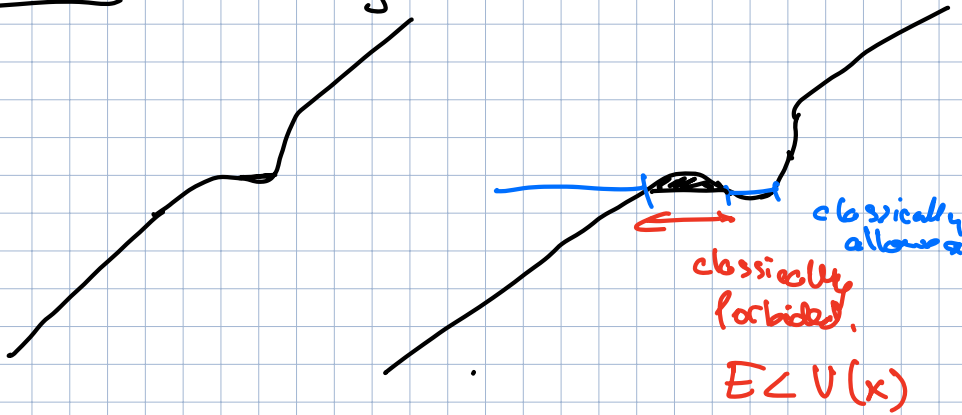


$$E_1 = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \hbar \omega$$

$$E_2 = \frac{3}{2} \hbar \omega - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} \hbar \omega$$

...

Case a: strong force - cannot use QHO approx.



tunneling is possible - probability that the particle moves from trapped to un-trapped state



2D QHO isotropic

x - direction

$$\underline{a_x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{x}{\sigma} + \frac{i\sigma p_x}{\hbar} \right)$$

$$a_x |\alpha_x\rangle = \alpha_x |\alpha_x\rangle$$

y - direction

$$\underline{a_y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{y}{\sigma} + \frac{i\sigma p_y}{\hbar} \right)$$

$$a_y |\alpha_y\rangle = \alpha_y |\alpha_y\rangle$$

basis is: $\{ |n_x\rangle \}$

$\{ |n_y\rangle \}$

Tensor product space

$$\Sigma_x \otimes \Sigma_y$$

Tensor product basis $\{ |n_x\rangle |n_y\rangle \} = \{ |n_x, n_y\rangle \}$

$$|\alpha_x, \alpha_y\rangle = |\alpha_x\rangle |\alpha_y\rangle = e^{-\frac{|\alpha_x|^2}{2}} e^{-\frac{|\alpha_y|^2}{2}} \sum_{\substack{n_x=0 \\ n_y=0}}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_x^{n_x}}{\sqrt{n_x!}} \frac{\alpha_y^{n_y}}{\sqrt{n_y!}} |n_x, n_y\rangle$$

$$|m_x, \alpha_y\rangle = |m_x\rangle |\underline{\alpha_y}\rangle = e^{-\frac{(\alpha_y)^2}{2}} \sum_{n_y=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_y^{n_y}}{\sqrt{n_y!}} |m_x, n_y\rangle$$

$$|2, 5\rangle = ? \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |m_x=2, \alpha_y=5\rangle \\ |\alpha_x=2, \alpha_y=5\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

Displacement operator

$$D_x(\alpha_x) D_y(\alpha_y) |m_x=0, n_y=0\rangle = |\alpha_x\rangle |\alpha_y\rangle \quad \text{coherent state}$$

Energy eigenvalues

How many states have energy $E = \overset{2\hbar\omega}{\cancel{\frac{3}{2}\hbar\omega}}$?

$$|m_x=0, n_y=1\rangle \quad |m_x=1, n_y=0\rangle \quad E = \hbar\omega \left(m_x + \frac{1}{2} + n_y + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

basis : $m = m_x + m_y$

$$\{ |m_x, m_y\rangle \} = \{ |0,0\rangle, \underbrace{|1,0\rangle, |0,1\rangle}_{m=1 \text{ manifold}}, \underbrace{|2,0\rangle, |1,1\rangle, |0,2\rangle}_{m=2 \text{ manifold}} \dots$$

$$|\alpha_x, \alpha_y\rangle = e^{-\frac{|\alpha_x|^2}{2}} e^{-\frac{|\alpha_y|^2}{2}} \left(|00\rangle + \alpha_x |10\rangle + \alpha_y |01\rangle + \frac{\alpha_x^2}{\sqrt{2}} |20\rangle + \alpha_x \alpha_y |11\rangle + \frac{\alpha_y^2}{\sqrt{2}} |02\rangle + \dots \right)$$

$$|\alpha_x, \alpha_y\rangle \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \alpha_x \\ \alpha_y \\ \alpha_x/\sqrt{2} \\ \alpha_x \alpha_y \\ \alpha_y^2/\sqrt{2} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H \rightarrow \hbar\omega \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & & & \\ & 2 & & & & & \\ & & 2 & & & & \\ & & & 3 & & & \\ & & & & 3 & & \\ & 0 & & & & 3 & \\ & & & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{B} \equiv i(a_x a_y^\dagger - a_x^\dagger a_y) \quad ?$$

1. Is B Hermitian?

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{B}^\dagger &= -i(a_y a_x^\dagger - \overbrace{a_y^\dagger a_x}) = \\ &= i(a_x a_y^\dagger - a_x^\dagger a_y) = \\ &= \hat{B} \quad \checkmark \text{ Yes, Hermitian!} \end{aligned}$$

2. $[H, B] = ?$

$$= [\hbar\omega(a_x^\dagger a_x + a_y^\dagger a_y + 1), i(a_x a_y^\dagger - a_x^\dagger a_y)] =$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= i\hbar\omega \left\{ [a_x^\dagger a_x, a_x a_y^\dagger] + [a_x^\dagger a_x, -a_x^\dagger a_y] + [a_y^\dagger a_y, a_x a_y^\dagger] + \right. \\
&\quad \left. + [a_y^\dagger a_y, -a_x^\dagger a_y] \right\} = \\
&= i\hbar\omega \left\{ [a_x^\dagger a_x, a_x] a_y^\dagger = [a_x^\dagger, a_x] a_x a_y^\dagger = \right. \\
&\quad \left. = -a_x a_y^\dagger \right. \\
&\quad \dots
\end{aligned}$$

$$= i\hbar\omega \left\{ -\cancel{a_x a_y^\dagger} - \cancel{a_x^\dagger a_y} + \cancel{a_y^\dagger a_x} + \cancel{a_y a_x^\dagger} \right\} =$$

$$[H, B] = 0$$

3. $n=1$ \Rightarrow what is the common eigenstate w/ eigenvalue?

$$|n_x=1, n_y=0\rangle \text{ and } |n_x=0, n_y=1\rangle$$

Q: are $|1,0\rangle, |0,1\rangle$ eigenstates of B ?

$$B = i(a_x a_y^\dagger - a_x^\dagger a_y)$$

$$B|1,0\rangle = i(|0,1\rangle - \sqrt{2} \cdot 0|2,0\rangle) = i|0,1\rangle$$

$$B|0,1\rangle = i(0 - |0,1\rangle) = -i|0,1\rangle$$

Let: $|\psi\rangle = c_1|1,0\rangle + c_2|0,1\rangle$

$$B|\psi\rangle = i c_1|0,1\rangle - i c_2|1,0\rangle$$

$$B|\psi\rangle = \lambda|\psi\rangle$$

$$= \lambda c_1|1,0\rangle + \lambda c_2|0,1\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow i c_1 = \lambda c_2 \quad -i c_2 = \lambda c_1 \Rightarrow c_2^2 = -c_1^2$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad c_2 = \pm \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|\Psi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\underline{1,0}\rangle \pm \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} |\underline{0,1}\rangle \quad \omega \quad \lambda = \pm 1$$

What is the physical meaning of \hat{B} ?

$$\hat{B} = i(\underline{a}_x \underline{a}_y^\dagger - \underline{a}_x^\dagger \underline{a}_y)$$

$$= i \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{x}{\sigma} + i \frac{p_x \sigma}{\hbar} \right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{y}{\sigma} - i \frac{p_y \sigma}{\hbar} \right) - \right.$$

$$\left. = (\hat{x} \hat{p}_y - \hat{y} \hat{p}_x) / \hbar \right\}$$

$$\hbar \hat{B} = \hat{x} \hat{p}_y - \hat{y} \hat{p}_x = \quad z \text{ component of a 3D vector } \hat{\mathbf{R}} \times \hat{\mathbf{P}}$$

$$\hat{L}_z = \hbar \hat{B} \Rightarrow \text{operator for } \underline{\text{orbital angular momentum}} \text{ of}$$

the particle about the z axis

eigenvalues? = $\pm \hbar$

$|\Psi_+\rangle$ is a state w/ angular momentum about z of \hbar

$|\Psi_-\rangle$ ————— of $-\hbar$

Energy: $2\hbar\omega$

$$\Psi_{\pm}(x, y) \propto x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}} \pm i y e^{-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$= r e^{i\theta_{\pm}} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad \theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$|\Psi_{\pm}(x, y)|^2 \propto r^2 e^{-\frac{r^2}{\sigma^2}}$$

