

Exercise 5 (Optional)

Apply the Crank-Nicholson method to the time-dependent Schrödinger equation in 1D (assuming $\hbar = 1$ and $m = 1$):

$$i \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \psi(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \psi(x, t)$$

for a free particle in an infinite potential well or for a quadratic potential (harmonic oscillator).

Note: You can consider that the problem is analogous to the diffusion equation but with an imaginary coefficient D and complex functions Ψ .