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(a)

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi(x,t) &= e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}} \Psi(x,0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi}} e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}} \left( e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{18\pi}} e^{\frac{-i\hat{H}t}{\hbar}} \left[ (1-2x^2) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi}} e^{\frac{-it}{\hbar}(\frac{1}{2}) - \frac{x^2}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{18\pi}} e^{\frac{-it}{\hbar}(\frac{5}{2})} (1-2x^2) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

(b)

Normalization of  $\psi_0(x)$  and  $\psi_2(x)$  yields

$$\psi_{0N}(x) = \frac{1}{\pi^{1/4}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}, \quad \psi_{2N}(x) = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{\pi^{1/4}} (1-2x^2) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

but  $\psi(x,0)$  is not normalized

$$\psi(x,0) = \frac{1}{\pi^{1/4}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \psi_{0N}(x) + \frac{3}{2\sqrt{18}} \psi_{2N}(x) \right)$$

if we normalize it

$$\psi_N(x,0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \psi_{0N}(x) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \psi_{2N}(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow P_0 = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P_2 = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$P_0$  and  $P_2$  are not going to change over time

because  $\psi_0$  and  $\psi_2$  are stable states.



(c)

$$\psi_N(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{it}{2\hbar}} \psi_{0N}(x) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{5it}{2\hbar}} \psi_{2N}(x)$$

$$\rho(x,t) = \psi_N^*(x,t) \psi_N(x,t)$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{\frac{it}{2\hbar}} \psi_{0N}(x) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{\frac{5it}{2\hbar}} \psi_{2N}(x) \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{it}{2\hbar}} \psi_{0N}(x) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{5it}{2\hbar}} \psi_{2N}(x) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \psi_{0N}^2(x) + \frac{1}{2} \psi_{2N}^2(x) + \frac{1}{2} \left( e^{\frac{4it}{2\hbar}} + e^{-\frac{4it}{2\hbar}} \right) \psi_{0N}(x) \psi_{2N}(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \psi_{0N}^2(x) + \psi_{2N}^2(x) \right) + \cos\left(\frac{4t}{2\hbar}\right) \psi_{0N}(x) \psi_{2N}(x)$$

$$\vec{j}(x,t) = \frac{\hbar}{m} \text{Im} \left( \psi_N^*(x,t) \vec{\nabla} \psi_N(x,t) \right)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \psi_N(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{it}{2\hbar}} \vec{\nabla} \psi_{0N}(x) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{5it}{2\hbar}} \vec{\nabla} \psi_{2N}(x)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \psi_{0N}(x) = -i \pi^{\frac{1}{4}} x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \psi_{2N}(x) = i \frac{2}{3} \pi^{\frac{1}{4}} (2x^3 - 5x) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \psi_N(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{it}{2\hbar}} \left( \frac{-i}{\pi^{\frac{1}{4}}} \right) x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{5it}{2\hbar}} \frac{i2}{3\pi^{\frac{1}{4}}} (2x^3 - 5x) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \gamma^* \nabla \gamma &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{-i}{\pi^{1/2}} \right) x e^{-x^2/2} + \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{-4it}{2\hbar}} \hat{i} \frac{2}{3\pi^{1/2}} (2x^3 - 5x) e^{-x^2} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} e^{\frac{4it}{2\hbar}} \hat{i} \frac{2}{3\pi^{1/2}} x(1-2x^2) e^{-x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{4i}{9\pi^{1/2}} (2x^3 - 5x)(1-2x^2) e^{-x^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \vec{j}(x,t) &= \frac{\hbar}{m} \left[ \frac{-i}{3\pi^{1/2}} \sin\left(\frac{2t}{\hbar}\right) (2x^3 - 5x) e^{-x^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{-i}{3\pi^{1/2}} \sin\left(\frac{4t}{2\hbar}\right) x(1-2x^2) e^{-x^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{m} \frac{4x}{3\sqrt{\pi}} \sin\left(\frac{2t}{\hbar}\right) e^{-x^2} \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j} &= \frac{-4}{2\hbar} \sin\left(\frac{2t}{\hbar}\right) \frac{2}{3\sqrt{\pi}} (1-2x^2) e^{-x^2} \\ &+ \frac{\hbar}{m} \frac{4x}{3\sqrt{\pi}} \sin\left(\frac{2t}{\hbar}\right) (1-2x^2) e^{-x^2} = 0 \end{aligned}$$