

Physics GR6037 Quantum Mechanics I

Assignment # 5

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Problem 16.

(a). Let $\hat{B}(\Delta p) = e^{i\Delta p \hat{x}/\hbar}$ then consider

$$\frac{d}{dp_0} \hat{B}^\dagger(p_0) \hat{p} \hat{B}(p_0) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{B}^\dagger(p_0) \hat{p} \hat{x} \hat{B}(p_0) \hat{p} - \frac{i}{\hbar} \hat{B}^\dagger(p_0) \hat{x} \hat{p} \hat{B}(p_0) = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \hat{B}^\dagger(p_0) [\hat{x}, \hat{p}] \hat{B}(p_0) = 1$$

Thus,

$$\hat{B}^\dagger(p_0) \hat{p} \hat{B}(p_0) = \hat{B}^\dagger(0) \hat{p} \hat{B}(0) + p_0 = \hat{p} + p_0$$

Therefore, applying the operator, $|\psi_{\Delta p}\rangle = \hat{B}(\Delta p) |\psi\rangle$ then

$$\langle \psi_{\Delta p} | \hat{p} | \psi_{\Delta p} \rangle = \langle \psi | \hat{B}^\dagger(\Delta p) \hat{p} \hat{B}(\Delta p) | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | (\hat{p} + \Delta p) | \psi \rangle = \langle \hat{p} \rangle + \Delta p$$

(b). We can write $\hat{x} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}}(\hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{a})$ so letting $\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \frac{\Delta p}{\hbar}$ we have,

$$\hat{B}(\Delta p) = e^{i\alpha(\hat{a}^\dagger + \hat{a})}$$

then because $[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] = 1$ which commutes with everything, so we can apply

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

Thus,

$$\hat{B}(\Delta p) = e^{i\alpha\hat{a}^\dagger} e^{i\alpha\hat{a}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha^2(\Delta p)^2}$$

However,

$$e^{i\alpha\hat{a}} |0\rangle = \left(1 + i\alpha\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}(i\alpha\hat{a})^2 + \dots\right) |0\rangle = |0\rangle$$

and therefore,

$$|\psi\rangle = \hat{B}(\Delta p) |0\rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha^2(\Delta p)^2} e^{i\alpha\hat{a}^\dagger} |0\rangle$$

Expanding the exponential,

$$|\psi\rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha^2(\Delta p)^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(i\alpha\Delta p)^n}{n!} (\hat{a}^\dagger)^n |0\rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(i\alpha)^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

Therefore, we can read off the propabilities,

$$P(0) = |\langle 0 | \psi \rangle|^2 = e^{-\alpha^2} = \exp \left[-\frac{(\Delta p)^2}{2m\omega\hbar} \right]$$

(c). Simiarly,

$$P(n) = |\langle n | \psi \rangle|^2 = \frac{\alpha^{2n} e^{-\alpha^2}}{n!} = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{(\Delta p)^2}{2m\omega\hbar} \right)^n \exp \left[-\frac{(\Delta p)^2}{2m\omega\hbar} \right]$$

Problem 17.

(a). Let

$$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2m} (\hat{p}_x^2 + (\hat{p}_y - qA_y)^2 + \hat{p}_z^2) = \frac{1}{2m} (\hat{p}_x^2 + (\hat{p}_y - qB\hat{x})^2 + \hat{p}_z^2)$$

Because $[\hat{H}, \hat{p}_y] = 0$ and $[\hat{H}, \hat{p}_z] = 0$ and $[\hat{p}_y, \hat{p}_z] = 0$ we can find simultaneous eigenstates of the three operators. We search for solutions of the form $|\psi\rangle = |\psi_x\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle$ with $\hat{p}_y |p_y\rangle = p_y |p_y\rangle$ and $\hat{p}_z |p_z\rangle = p_z |p_z\rangle$. Then, using the commutation relations,

$$\hat{H} |\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{2m} (\hat{p}_x^2 + (p_y - qB\hat{x})^2 + p_z^2) |\psi_x\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle$$

Then

$$\hat{H} |\psi\rangle = \left[\frac{1}{2m} \hat{p}_x^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \left(\hat{x} - \frac{p_y}{qB} \right)^2 + \frac{p_z^2}{2m} \right] |\psi_x\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle$$

where $\omega = \frac{qB}{m}$. Then define the lowering operator,

$$\hat{a}_{p_y} = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}} \left(\hat{x} - \frac{p_y}{qB} + i \frac{\hat{p}_x}{m\omega} \right)$$

as before, this operators satisfies the commutation relation $[\hat{a}_{p_y}, \hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger] = 1$ and,

$$\hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p_y} = \frac{1}{\hbar\omega} \left[\frac{1}{2m} \hat{p}_x^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \left(\hat{x} - \frac{p_y}{qB} \right)^2 \right] - \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus,

$$\hat{H} |\psi\rangle = \left[\hbar\omega \left(\hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p_y} + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{p_z^2}{2m} \right] |\psi_x\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle$$

The eigenstates of $\hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p_y}$ are $|\psi_x\rangle = |n\rangle$ with $\hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p_y} |n\rangle = n |n\rangle$ Therefore the spectrum is given by,

$$E_{n,p_z} = \hbar\omega \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{p_z^2}{2m}$$

which are independent of p_y .

(b). Consider the states: $\hat{a}_{p_y} |\alpha, p_y\rangle = \alpha |\alpha, p_y\rangle$ in the x -momentum basis:

$$\langle p_x | \hat{a}_{p_y} |\alpha, p_y\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}} \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial p_x} - \frac{p_y}{qB} + \frac{ip_x}{m\omega} \right) \tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x) = \alpha \tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x)$$

where I have used the fact that, in the momentum basis,

$$\langle p_x | \hat{x} | \psi \rangle = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial p_x} \langle p_x | \psi \rangle = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial p_x} \tilde{\psi}(p_x)$$

Furthermore, we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x} &= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \left(\hat{a}_{p_y} + \hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger \right) + \frac{p_y}{qB} \\ \hat{p} &= \frac{m\omega}{2i} \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{m\omega}} \left(\hat{a}_{p_y} - \hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger \right) \end{aligned}$$

and thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \alpha, p_y | \hat{x} | \alpha, p_y \rangle &= \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{m\omega}} \Re[\alpha] + \frac{p_y}{qB} = x_0(p_y) \\ \langle \alpha, p_y | \hat{p}_x | \alpha, p_y \rangle &= \sqrt{2\hbar m\omega} \Im[\alpha] = p_{x,0}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, I define the following quantities, $x_0, y_0, z_0, p_{x,0}, p_{y,0}$, and $p_{z,0}$ are the classical initial conditions about which the probability distributions will be peaked and the characteristic scalles: $x_c = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}}$ and $p_c = \sqrt{\hbar m\omega}$. Now, let

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\frac{1}{x_c} \left(x_0 - \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} \right) + i \frac{p_{x,0}}{p_c} \right]$$

so that the expectation values of the coherent state corresponding to the classical initial value of p_y agree with the classical initial conditions. Now, we know that (see addendum)

$$\begin{aligned}e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} |\alpha\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle &= e^{-i\left(\frac{1}{2}\omega + \frac{p_z^2}{2\hbar m}\right)t} e^{-i\hat{a}_{p_y}^\dagger \hat{a}_{p_y} t/\hbar} |\alpha\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle \\ &= e^{-i\left(\frac{1}{2}\omega + \frac{p_z^2}{2\hbar m}\right)t} |\alpha e^{-i\omega t}\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can solve for the time dependent momentum space wavefunction representing the state $|\alpha\rangle \otimes |p_y\rangle \otimes |p_z\rangle$ as follows,

$$\left(i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial p_x} - \frac{p_y}{qB} + \frac{ip_x}{m\omega} - \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{m\omega}} \alpha e^{-i\omega t} \right) \tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x, t) = 0$$

Expanding α ,

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial p_x} + i \frac{p_y}{qB\hbar} + \frac{p_x}{\hbar m\omega} + i \left[\frac{1}{\hbar} \left(x_0 - \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} \right) + i \frac{p_{x,0}}{\hbar m\omega} \right] e^{-i\omega t} \right) \tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x, t) = 0$$

Let $g_0 = \left(x_0 - \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} \right)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p_x} \tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x, t) = - \left(i \frac{p_y}{qB\hbar} + \frac{p_x}{p_c^2} + i \frac{g_0}{\hbar} \cos \omega t + \frac{g_0}{\hbar} \sin \omega t - \frac{p_{x,0}}{p_c^2} \cos \omega t + i \frac{p_{x,0}}{p_c^2} \sin \omega t \right) \tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x, t)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x, t) &= N(t) \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \left(\frac{p_y}{qB} + g_0 \cos \omega t + \frac{p_{x,0}}{m\omega} \sin \omega t \right) (p_x - p_{x,0}) \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2p_c^2} \left(p_x - p_{x,0} \cos \omega t + g_0 m\omega \sin \omega t \right)^2 \right]\end{aligned}$$

Where we have choosen the phase to be zero at the initial momentum as to not bias the initial positions. The first term is a pure momentum dependent phase and the second is a gaussian with $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{2}p_c^2$ so matching the overall time dependent phase,

$$N(t) = \frac{e^{-i\left(\frac{1}{2}\omega + \frac{p_z^2}{2\hbar m}\right)t}}{(\pi p_c^2)^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

Now, the Fourier transform of a definite momentum state is a delta function in p -space so the full wavefunction in momentum space is:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\psi}_{\bar{p}_y, \bar{p}_z}(p_x, p_y, p_z, t) &= \frac{1}{(\pi p_c^2)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \left(\frac{p_y}{qB} + g_0 \cos \omega t + \frac{p_{x,0}}{m\omega} \sin \omega t \right) (p_x - p_{x,0}) \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \left(\frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega + \frac{p_z^2}{2m} \right) t \right] \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2p_c^2} \left(p_x - p_{x,0} \cos \omega t + g_0 m \omega \sin \omega t \right)^2 \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \delta(p_y - \bar{p}_y) \delta(p_z - \bar{p}_z)\end{aligned}$$

Now, we construct a wavepacket by superimposing these wavefunctions with coefficients peaked about $\bar{p}_x = p_{x,0}$ and $\bar{p}_y = p_{y,0}$ and with phases $e^{-i\bar{p}_y y_0/\hbar}$ and $e^{-i\bar{p}_z z_0/\hbar}$ to shift the distribution to the initial positions. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\psi}(p_x, p_y, p_z, t) &= \int \tilde{\psi}_\alpha(p_x, t) \delta(p_y - \bar{p}_y) \delta(p_z - \bar{p}_z) C(\bar{p}_y, \bar{p}_z) e^{-i\bar{p}_y y_0/\hbar} e^{-i\bar{p}_z z_0/\hbar} d\bar{p}_y d\bar{p}_z \\ &= \psi_\alpha(p_x, t) C(p_y, p_z) e^{-ip_y y_0/\hbar} e^{-ip_z z_0/\hbar}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, in all its horrifying glory,

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\psi}(p_x, p_y, p_z, t) &= \frac{1}{(\pi p_c^2)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \left(\frac{p_y}{qB} + g_0 \cos \omega t + \frac{p_{x,0}}{m\omega} \sin \omega t \right) (p_x - p_{x,0}) \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \left(\frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega + \frac{p_z^2}{2m} \right) t \right] \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2p_c^2} \left(p_x - p_{x,0} \cos \omega t + g_0 m \omega \sin \omega t \right)^2 \right] \\ &\quad \cdot C(p_y, p_z) e^{-ip_y y_0/\hbar} e^{-ip_z z_0/\hbar}\end{aligned}$$

Finally, we apply the inverse Fourier transform,

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(x, y, z, t) &= \\ &\int \frac{1}{(\pi p_c^2)^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \left(\frac{p_y}{qB} + g_0 \cos \omega t + \frac{p_{x,0}}{m\omega} \sin \omega t \right) (p_x - p_{x,0}) \right] \exp \left[-\frac{i}{\hbar} \left(\frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega + \frac{p_z^2}{2m} \right) t \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2p_c^2} \left(p_x - p_{x,0} \cos \omega t + g_0 m \omega \sin \omega t \right)^2 \right] C(p_y, p_z) e^{-ip_y y_0/\hbar} e^{-ip_z z_0/\hbar} e^{i(p_x x + p_y y + p_z z)/\hbar} d^3 p\end{aligned}$$

and collect the totall phase,

$$\Phi = p_x x + p_y (y - y_0) + p_z (z - z_0) - \left(\frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega + \frac{p_z^2}{2m} \right) t - \left(\frac{p_y}{qB} + g_0 \cos \omega t + \frac{p_{x,0}}{m\omega} \sin \omega t \right) (p_x - p_{x,0})$$

so the integral can be written as,

$$\psi(x, y, z, t) = \frac{1}{(\pi p_c^2)^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int e^{i\Phi/\hbar} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2p_c^2} \left(p_x - p_{x,0} \cos \omega t + g_0 m \omega \sin \omega t \right)^2 \right] C(p_y, p_z) d^3 p$$

which is maximized at points where the phase is stationary at the peak values of the weigting coefficients. That is, the wavefunction is maximized at points where,

$$\nabla_{\vec{p}} \Phi \Big|_{\vec{p}_m(t)} = 0$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial p_x} &= x - \left(\frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} + \left(x_0 - \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} \right) \cos \omega t + \frac{p_{x,0}}{m\omega} \sin \omega t \right) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial p_y} &= y - y_0 - \frac{p_{x,m}(t) - p_{x,0}}{qB} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial p_z} &= z - z_0 - \frac{p_{z,0}}{m} t = 0\end{aligned}$$

Where $p_{x,m}(t)$ maximizes the gaussian, i.e. $p_{x,m}(t) = p_{x,0} \cos \omega t - \left(x_0 - \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} \right) m\omega \sin \omega t$. Therefore, the maximum of the wavefunction evolves as:

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} + \left(x_0 - \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} \right) \cos \omega t + \frac{p_{x,0}}{m\omega} \sin \omega t \\ y &= y_0 - \frac{p_{x,0}}{qB} (1 - \cos \omega t) - \left(x_0 - \frac{p_{y,0}}{qB} \right) \frac{m\omega}{qB} \sin \omega t \\ z &= z_0 + \frac{p_{z,0}}{m} t\end{aligned}$$

Notice that $\frac{m\omega}{qB} = 1$ because $\omega = \frac{qB}{m}$ by definition. Also, if we make the identifications,

$$\begin{aligned}v_{x,0} &= \frac{p_{x,0}}{m} \\ v_{y,0} &= \frac{p_{y,0} - qBx_0}{m} \\ v_{z,0} &= \frac{p_{z,0}}{m}\end{aligned}$$

then we have,

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{m}{qB} v_{y,0} + x_0 - \frac{m}{qB} v_{y,0} \cos \omega t + \frac{v_{x,0}}{\omega} \sin \omega t \\ y &= y_0 - \frac{m}{qB} v_{x,0} (1 - \cos \omega t) + \frac{m}{qB} v_{y,0} \sin \omega t \\ z &= z_0 + v_{z,0} t\end{aligned}$$

and therefore, simplifying,

$$\begin{aligned}x &= x_0 + \frac{v_{y,0}}{\omega} (1 - \cos \omega t) + \frac{v_{x,0}}{\omega} \sin \omega t \\ y &= y_0 - \frac{v_{x,0}}{\omega} (1 - \cos \omega t) + \frac{v_{y,0}}{\omega} \sin \omega t \\ z &= z_0 + v_{z,0} t\end{aligned}$$

which is exactly a clockwise (from above) circular helix, the motion of a classical charged particle in a constant magnetic field. The frequency of the circular orbit is

$$\omega = \frac{qB}{m}$$

which is the Larmor precession frequency.

Problem 18.

(a). Define $e^{-i\hat{\phi}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}}\hat{a}$ then

$$e^{-i\hat{\phi}}|n\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}}\sqrt{n}|n-1\rangle$$

but $|n-1\rangle$ is an eigenstate of $\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}$ so

$$e^{-i\hat{\phi}}|n\rangle = \sqrt{n}\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(n-1)}}|n-1\rangle = |n-1\rangle$$

(b). $e^{i\hat{\phi}} = \left(e^{-i\hat{\phi}}\right)^\dagger = \hat{a}^\dagger\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}}$ because $\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}$ is Hermitian. Then,

$$e^{i\hat{\phi}}|n\rangle = \hat{a}^\dagger\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}}|n\rangle = \hat{a}^\dagger\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+n}}|n\rangle = |n+1\rangle$$

(c). Since $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}}$ is a function of $\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}$ alone, it commutes with $\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}, e^{-\hat{\phi}}] &= \hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}\frac{1}{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}\hat{a} - \frac{1}{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}\hat{a}\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a} = \frac{1}{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}\hat{a} - \frac{1}{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}(\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a} + [\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger])\hat{a} \\ &= -\frac{1}{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}}[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] = -\frac{1}{1+\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{a}} = -e^{-i\hat{\phi}} \end{aligned}$$

(d). Define:

$$\sin \hat{\phi} = \frac{1}{2i} \left(e^{i\hat{\phi}} - e^{-i\hat{\phi}} \right)$$

and let,

$$|\phi_0\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(\phi_0) |n\rangle$$

such that,

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \hat{\phi} |\phi_0\rangle &= \frac{1}{2i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(e^{i\hat{\phi}} - e^{-i\hat{\phi}} \right) c_n(\phi_0) |n\rangle = \sin \phi_0 |\phi_0\rangle \\ \sin \hat{\phi} |\phi_0\rangle &= \frac{1}{2i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (|n+1\rangle - |n-1\rangle) c_n(\phi_0) = \sin \phi_0 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(\phi_0) |n\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{n-1}(\phi_0) |n\rangle - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n+1}(\phi_0) |n\rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (c_{n-1}(\phi_0) - c_{n+1}(\phi_0)) |n\rangle - \frac{1}{2i} c_1(\phi_0) |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

matching terms,

$$-\frac{1}{2i} c_1(\phi_0) = c_0(\phi_0) \sin \phi_0$$

and

$$c_{n+1}(\phi_0) = c_{n-1}(\phi_0) - (2i \sin \phi_0) c_n(\phi_0)$$

this recurrence relation can be easily solved by finding characteristic roots or using generating functions. I will not waste your time with that here; I will simply write out the solution.

$$c_n = N(\phi_0) [(-1)^n e^{i\phi_0(n+1)} + e^{-i\phi_0(n+1)}]$$

And thus, writting the series explicitly,

$$|\phi_0\rangle = N(\phi_0) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [(-1)^n e^{i\phi_0(n+1)} + e^{-i\phi_0(n+1)}] |n\rangle$$

(e). In an exactly analogous manner, define:

$$\cos \hat{\phi} = \frac{1}{2} (e^{i\hat{\phi}} + e^{-i\hat{\phi}})$$

and let,

$$|\phi_0\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(\phi_0) |n\rangle$$

such that,

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \hat{\phi} |\phi_0\rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (e^{i\hat{\phi}} + e^{-i\hat{\phi}}) c_n(\phi_0) |n\rangle = \cos \phi_0 |\phi_0\rangle \\ \cos \hat{\phi} |\phi_0\rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (|n+1\rangle + |n-1\rangle) c_n(\phi_0) = \cos \phi_0 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n(\phi_0) |n\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{n-1}(\phi_0) |n\rangle + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n+1}(\phi_0) |n\rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (c_{n-1}(\phi_0) + c_{n+1}(\phi_0)) |n\rangle + \frac{1}{2} c_1(\phi_0) |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

matching terms,

$$\frac{1}{2} c_1(\phi_0) = c_0(\phi_0) \cos \phi_0$$

and

$$c_{n+1}(\phi_0) = (2 \cos \phi_0) c_n(\phi_0) - c_{n-1}(\phi_0)$$

this recurrence relation can be easily solved by finding characteristic roots or using generating functions. I will not waste your time with that here; I will simply write out the solution.

$$c_n = N(\phi_0) [e^{i\phi_0(n+1)} - e^{-i\phi_0(n+1)}]$$

And thus, writting the series explicitly,

$$|\phi_0\rangle = N(\phi_0) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [e^{i\phi_0(n+1)} - e^{-i\phi_0(n+1)}] |n\rangle$$

Addendum

We want to show that for $\hat{H} = \hbar\omega \left(\hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$ the time evolution operator acts as,

$$e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} |\alpha\rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\omega t} |\alpha e^{-i\omega t}\rangle$$

In the energy basis,

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

but each eigenstate evolves nicely,

$$e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} |n\rangle = e^{-i\omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} t} e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\omega t} |n\rangle = e^{-i\omega n t} e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\omega t} |n\rangle$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} |\alpha\rangle &= e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\omega t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^n}{\sqrt{n!}} e^{-i\omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} t} |n\rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\omega t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^n e^{-i\omega n t}}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle \\ &= e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\omega t} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\alpha e^{-i\omega t})^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle = e^{-\frac{1}{2}i\omega t} |\alpha e^{-i\omega t}\rangle \end{aligned}$$