# Introduction to Quantum Mechanics by David J. Griffiths Problems

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# Part I

# Theory

# 1 The Wave Function

#### 1.1

(a)

$$\begin{split} \langle j^2 \rangle &= \sum j^2 P(j) \\ &= 14^2 \frac{1}{14} + 15^2 \frac{1}{14} + 16^2 \frac{3}{14} + 22^2 \frac{2}{14} + 24^2 \frac{2}{14} + 25^2 \frac{5}{14} \\ &= \frac{3217}{7} \\ &\approx 459.571 \\ \langle j \rangle^2 &= \left( \sum j P(j) \right)^2 \\ &= 441 \end{split}$$

$$\Delta j_{14} = -7$$

$$\Delta j_{15} = -6$$

$$\Delta j_{16} = -5$$

$$\Delta j_{22} = 1$$

$$\Delta j_{24} = 3$$

$$\Delta j_{25} = 4$$

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{2} (\Delta j)^2 P(j)$$

$$= \frac{130}{7}$$

$$\approx 18.571$$

(c) 
$$\sigma^2 = \sqrt{\langle j^2 \rangle - \langle j \rangle^2} = 18.571$$

(a)

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_0^h x^2 \rho(x) \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^h \frac{x^{3/2}}{2\sqrt{h}} \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{h}} \left[ \frac{2}{5} x^{5/2} \right]_0^h$$

$$= \frac{h^2}{5}$$

$$\langle x \rangle^2 = \frac{h^2}{9}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{h^2}{5} - \frac{h^2}{9}}$$

$$= h\sqrt{\frac{4}{45}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}} h$$

$$1 - \int_{\langle x \rangle - \sigma}^{\langle x \rangle + \sigma} \rho(x) \, dx = 1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{h}} [2\sqrt{x}]_{\langle x \rangle - \sigma}^{\langle x \rangle + \sigma}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{h}} \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}h} + \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}}h - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}h} - \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}}h \right)$$

$$= 1 - \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}}} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}}} \right)$$

$$\approx 0.393$$

(a)

$$\rho(x) = Ae^{-\lambda(x-a)^2}$$

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(x) dx$$

$$= A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda(x-a)^2} dx$$

$$= A\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\lambda}}$$

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\pi}}$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-\lambda(x-a)^2} dx$$

$$= a$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\lambda(x-a)^2} dx$$

$$= a^2 + \frac{1}{2\lambda}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2 + \frac{1}{2\lambda} - a^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lambda}}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} 1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi(x,0)|^2 \, dx \\ &= \left(\frac{A}{a}\right)^2 \int_0^a x^2 \, dx + \left(\frac{A}{b-a}\right)^2 \int_a^b (b-x)^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3} A^2 a + \left(\frac{A}{b-a}\right)^2 \left[-\frac{1}{3} (b-x)^3\right]_a^b \\ &= \frac{1}{3} A^2 a + \frac{1}{3} A^2 (b-a) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} A^2 b \\ A &= \sqrt{\frac{3}{b}} \end{split}$$

(c) x = a

(d)

$$\int_0^a |\Psi(x,0)|^2 dx = \frac{3}{a^2 b} \left[ \frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_0^a$$
$$= \frac{a}{b}$$

(e)

$$\begin{split} \langle x \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x |\Psi(x,0)|^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{3}{a^2b} \left[ \frac{1}{4} x^4 \right]_0^a + \frac{3}{b(b-a)^2} \int_a^b x (b-x)^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{3a^2}{4b} + \frac{3}{b(b-a)^2} \int_a^b (b^2 x - 2bx^2 + x^3) \, dx \\ &= \frac{3a^2}{4b} + \frac{3}{b(b-a)^2} \left[ \frac{1}{2} b^2 x^2 - \frac{2}{3} bx^3 + \frac{1}{4} x^4 \right]_a^b \\ &= \frac{3a^2}{4b} + \frac{3}{b(b-a)^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} b^4 - \frac{2}{3} b^4 + \frac{1}{4} b^4 - \frac{1}{2} a^2 b^2 + \frac{2}{3} a^3 b - \frac{1}{4} a^4 \right) \\ &= \frac{3a^2}{4b} + \frac{3}{b(b-a)^2} \frac{1}{12} (b-a)^3 (3a+b) \\ &= \frac{3a^2}{4b} + \frac{1}{4b} (3ab+b^2 - 3a^2 - ab) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} a + \frac{1}{4} b \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,t) &= A e^{-\lambda |x|} e^{-i\omega t} \\ \Psi(x,0) &= A e^{-\lambda |x|} \\ 1 &= A^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2\lambda |x|} \, dx \\ &= 2A^2 \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-2\lambda x} \, dx \\ &= 2A^2 \left[ -\frac{1}{2\lambda} e^{-2\lambda x} \right]_{0}^{\infty} \\ &= \frac{A^2}{\lambda} \\ A &= \sqrt{\lambda} \end{split}$$

#### (b)

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \lambda e^{-2\lambda|x|} dx$$

$$= \lambda \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-2\lambda|x|} dx$$

$$= 0$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \lambda e^{-2\lambda|x|} dx$$

$$= 2\lambda \int_{0}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-2\lambda x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\lambda^2}$$

(c)

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\lambda}$$

$$1 - \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} \lambda e^{-2\lambda|x|} dx = 1 - 2\lambda \int_{0}^{\sigma} e^{-2\lambda x} dx$$

$$= 1 - 2\lambda \left[ -\frac{1}{2\lambda} e^{-2\lambda x} \right]_{0}^{\sigma}$$

$$= e^{-2\lambda\sigma}$$

$$= e^{-\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\approx 0.243$$

The chain rule requires that you apply it to both x and  $|\Psi|^2$  which gives the same result

$$\frac{d\langle x\rangle}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \int x |\Psi|^2 dx$$

$$= \int \frac{d}{dt} (x|\Psi|^2) dx$$

$$= \int \left(0 \cdot |\Psi|^2 + x \frac{\partial |\Psi|^2}{\partial t}\right) dx$$

$$= \int x \frac{\partial |\Psi|^2}{\partial t} dx$$

#### 1.8

$$\begin{split} i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left(e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi\right) &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}\left(e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi\right) + (V+V_0)\left(e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi\right) \\ i\hbar\left(-\frac{iV_0}{\hbar}e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi + e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial t}\right) &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\frac{\partial^2\Psi}{\partial x^2} + Ve^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi + V_0e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi \\ V_0\Psi + i\hbar\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{\partial^2\Psi}{\partial x^2} + V\Psi + V_0\Psi \\ i\hbar\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{\partial^2\Psi}{\partial x^2} + V\Psi \end{split}$$

$$\langle Q(x,p)\rangle = \int \left(e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi\right)^* \left[Q(x,-i\hbar\partial/\partial x)\right] e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi \, dx$$
$$= \int e^{iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi^* \left[Q(x,-i\hbar\partial/\partial x)\right] e^{-iV_0t/\hbar}\Psi \, dx$$
$$= \int \Psi^* \left[Q(x,-i\hbar\partial/\partial x)\right]\Psi \, dx$$

No effect on the expectation value.

(a)

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,t) &= A e^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar) + it]} \\ 1 &= A^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2a(mx^2/\hbar)} \, dx \\ &= A^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2a(mx^2/\hbar)} \, dx \\ &= A^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi \hbar}{2am}} \\ A^2 &= \sqrt{\frac{2am}{\pi \hbar}} \\ A &= \left(\frac{2am}{\pi \hbar}\right)^{1/4} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi &= Ae^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar)+it]} \\ \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} &= -ia\Psi \\ \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} &= -\frac{2amx}{\hbar} \Psi \\ \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} &= -\frac{2am}{\hbar} \left( \Psi + x \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= -\frac{2am}{\hbar} \left( 1 - \frac{2amx^2}{\hbar} \right) \Psi \\ V\Psi &= i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} \\ &= a\hbar \Psi - a\hbar \left( 1 - \frac{2amx^2}{\hbar} \right) \Psi \\ V &= a\hbar - a\hbar + 2a^2 mx^2 \\ &= 2a^2 mx^2 \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \langle x \rangle &= A^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2a(mx^2/\hbar)} x \, dx \\ &= 0 \\ \left\langle x^2 \right\rangle &= A^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2a(mx^2/\hbar)} x^2 \, dx \\ &= 2A^2 \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-2a(mx^2/\hbar)} x^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{4am} \\ \left\langle p \right\rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \left[ -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right] \Psi \, dx \\ &= -i\hbar \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A e^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar) - it]} \left( -\frac{2amx}{\hbar} A e^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar) + it]} \right) \, dx \\ &= 2iA^2 am \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-2amx^2/\hbar} \, dx \\ &= 0 \\ \left\langle p^2 \right\rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \left[ -\hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right] \Psi \, dx \\ &= -\hbar^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A e^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar) - it]} \left[ -\frac{2am}{\hbar} \left( 1 - \frac{2amx^2}{\hbar} \right) A e^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar) + it]} \right] \, dx \\ &= 2A^2 am\hbar \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2amx^2/\hbar} \left( 1 - \frac{2amx^2}{\hbar} \right) \, dx \\ &= am\hbar \end{split}$$

(d) 
$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{4am}}$$

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{am\hbar}$$

$$\sigma_x \sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}\hbar^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\hbar$$

$$> \frac{1}{\hbar}$$

Yes, this is consistent with Heisenberg's uncertainty principle.

(a)

$$P(0) = 0$$

$$P(1) = \frac{2}{25}$$

$$= 0.08$$

$$P(2) = \frac{3}{25}$$

$$= 0.12$$

$$P(3) = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$= 0.2$$

$$P(4) = \frac{3}{25}$$

$$= 0.12$$

$$P(5) = \frac{3}{25}$$

$$= 0.2$$

$$P(6) = \frac{3}{25}$$

$$= 0.2$$

$$P(7) = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$= 0.04$$

$$P(8) = \frac{2}{25}$$

$$= 0.08$$

$$P(9) = \frac{3}{25}$$

$$= 0.12$$

- (b) The most probable digit is 3, the median digit is 4, and the average value is  $\frac{118}{25}=4.72$ .
- (c)  $\sigma = 2.474$

(a)

$$\begin{split} P_{ab}(t) &= \int_a^b |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx \\ \frac{dP_{ab}}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} \int_a^b |\Psi(x,t)|^2 dx \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} \left( |\Psi(x,t)|^2 \right) dx \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{i\hbar}{2m} \left( \Psi^* \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial x} \Psi \right) \right] dx \\ &= J(a,t) - J(b,t) \end{split}$$

The units are  $s^{-1}$ .

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,t) &= Ae^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar)+it]} \\ \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} &= -\frac{2amx}{\hbar} \Psi \\ \Psi^*(x,t) &= Ae^{-a[(mx^2/\hbar)-it]} \\ \frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial x} &= -\frac{2amx}{\hbar} \Psi^* \\ J(x,t) &= \frac{i\hbar}{2m} \left( \Psi \frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial x} - \Psi^* \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= \frac{i\hbar}{2m} \left[ \Psi \left( -\frac{2amx}{\hbar} \Psi^* \right) - \Psi^* \left( -\frac{2amx}{\hbar} \Psi \right) \right] \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_1^* \Psi_2 \, dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\partial \Psi_1^*}{\partial t} \Psi_2 + \Psi_1^* \frac{\partial \Psi_2}{\partial t} \right) \, dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \left( -i \frac{\hbar}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_1^*}{\partial x^2} + i \frac{V}{\hbar} \Psi_1^* \right) \Psi_2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \Psi_1^* \left( i \frac{\hbar}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_2}{\partial x^2} - i \frac{V}{\hbar} \Psi_2 \right) \right] \, dx \\ &= i \frac{\hbar}{2m} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \Psi_1^* \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \Psi_1^*}{\partial x^2} \Psi_2 \right) \, dx \\ &= i \frac{\hbar}{2m} \left[ \Psi_1^* \frac{\partial \Psi_2}{\partial x} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\Psi_1^* \Psi_2) \, dx \right. \\ &\left. \frac{\partial \Psi_1^*}{\partial x} \Psi_2 \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\Psi_1^* \Psi_2) \, dx \right] \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

#### 1.16

(a)

$$1 = \int_{-a}^{a} A^{2} (a^{2} - x^{2})^{2} dx$$
$$= A^{2} \int_{0}^{a} (a^{2} - x^{2})^{2} dx$$
$$= \frac{16}{15} A^{2} a^{5}$$
$$A = \sqrt{\frac{15}{16a^{5}}}$$

(b)

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-a}^{a} x A(a^2 - x^2) dx$$
$$= 0$$

(c)

$$\langle p \rangle = \int_{-a}^{a} \Psi^* \left( -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \Psi \, dx$$
$$= 2iA^2 \hbar \int_{-a}^{a} x(a^2 - x^2) \, dx$$
$$= 0$$

$$\begin{split} \left\langle x^{2}\right\rangle &= \int_{-a}^{a} \Psi^{*} x^{2} \Psi \, dx \\ &= A^{2} \int_{-a}^{a} x^{2} (a^{2} - x^{2})^{2} \, dx \\ &= A^{2} \frac{16}{105} a^{7} \\ &= \frac{a^{2}}{7} \end{split}$$

#### (e)

$$\begin{split} \left\langle p^{2}\right\rangle &=\int_{-a}^{a}\Psi^{*}\left(-\hbar^{2}\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}}\right)\Psi\,dx\\ &=-\hbar^{2}\int_{-a}^{a}A(a^{2}-x^{2})(-2A)\,dx\\ &=4A^{2}\hbar^{2}\int_{0}^{a}(a^{2}-x^{2})\,dx\\ &=4A^{2}\hbar^{2}\left[a^{2}x-\frac{1}{3}x^{3}\right]_{0}^{a}\\ &=4A^{2}\hbar^{2}\left(a^{3}-\frac{1}{3}a^{3}\right)\\ &=\frac{8}{3}A^{2}a^{3}\hbar^{2}\\ &=\frac{8}{3}\frac{15}{16a^{5}}a^{3}\hbar^{2}\\ &=\frac{5}{2}\frac{\hbar^{2}}{a^{2}} \end{split}$$

#### (f)

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{7}}$$
$$= \frac{a}{\sqrt{7}}$$

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \frac{\hbar}{a}$$

$$\sigma_x \sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{5}{14}} \hbar$$
$$\geq \frac{1}{2} \hbar$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} \frac{h}{\sqrt{3mk_BT}} &> d\\ \frac{\sqrt{3mk_BT}}{h} &< \frac{1}{d}\\ T_{\text{electron}} &< \frac{h^2}{3d^2mk_B}\\ &< 1.3 \times 10^5 \, \text{K}\\ T_{\text{nuclei}} &< 2.5 \, \text{K} \end{split}$$

(b)

$$PV = Nk_BT$$

$$\frac{V}{N} = \frac{k_BT}{P}$$

$$d = \left(\frac{k_BT}{P}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\frac{h}{\sqrt{3mk_Bt}} > \left(\frac{k_BT}{P}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$T < \frac{1}{k_B} \left(\frac{h^2}{3m}\right)^{3/5} P^{2/5}$$

# 2 Time-Independent Schrödinger Equation

#### 2.1

(a)

$$\begin{split} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi|^2 \, dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \Psi \, dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* e^{i(E_0 - i\Gamma)t/\hbar} \psi e^{-i(E_0 + i\Gamma)t/\hbar} \, dx \\ &= e^{2\Gamma t/\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi|^2 \, dx \end{split}$$

In order for this to equal 1 for all t,  $\Gamma$  must be 0.

(b) If  $\psi(x)$  is a complex solution to the time-independent Schrödinger equation then so is  $\psi^*(x)$  and  $\psi(x) + \psi^*(x)$  which is real.

#### 2.2

If  $\psi$  and its second derivative always have the same sign,  $\psi$  will increase or decrease without bound forever. This means there is no non-zero choice of constant A such that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |A\Psi|^2 \, dx = 1$$

and thus the equation can't be normalised.

The classical analog of this is statements is that the potential energy of a system can't exceed its total energy.

#### 2.3

The time-independent Schrödinger equation in an infinite square well is

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = E\psi.$$

If E = 0 then  $\psi = Ax + B$  which isn't normalisable.

If E < 0 then  $\psi = Ae^{kt} + Be^{-kt}$  where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  which also isn't normalisable.

$$\begin{split} \Psi_n(x,t) &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-i(n^2\pi^2\hbar/2ma^2)t} \\ \langle x \rangle &= \int_0^a \Psi_n^* x \Psi_n \, dx \\ &= \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a x \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \, dx \\ &= \frac{a}{2} \\ \langle x^2 \rangle &= \int_0^a \Psi_n^* x^2 \Psi_n \, dx \\ &= \frac{2}{a} \int_0^a x^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \, dx \\ &= a^2 \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2n^2\pi^2}\right) \\ \langle p \rangle &= \int_0^a \Psi_n^* \left(-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right) \Psi_n \, dx \\ &= -i \frac{2\hbar n\pi}{a^2} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \, dx \\ &= 0 \\ \langle p^2 \rangle &= \int_0^a \Psi_n^* \left(-\hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}\right) \Psi_n \, dx \\ &= \frac{2\hbar^2 n^2 \pi^2}{a^3} \int_0^a \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \, dx \\ &= \left(\frac{n\pi\hbar}{a}\right)^2 \\ \sigma_x &= \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2} \\ &= \frac{a}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{n^2\pi^2}} \\ \sigma_p &= \sqrt{\langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2} \\ &= \frac{n\pi\hbar}{a} \end{split}$$

(a)

$$1 = \int_0^a A^2 (\psi_1 + \psi_2)^2 dx$$

$$= A^2 \int_0^a (\psi_1^2 + 2\psi_1 \psi_2 + \psi_2^2) dx$$

$$= \frac{2A^2}{a} \left[ \int_0^a \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) dx + \int_0^a \sin^2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) dx \right]$$

$$= 2A^2$$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-i\omega t} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-4i\omega t} \right] \\ |\Psi(x,t)|^2 &= \Psi^* \Psi \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) e^{i\omega t} + \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) e^{4i\omega t} \right] \\ &\left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-i\omega t} + \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-4i\omega t} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \left[ \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-3i\omega t} \right. \\ &\left. + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) e^{3i\omega t} + \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \left[ \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) + \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) \right. \\ &\left. + 2\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{a}x\right) \cos(3\omega t) \right] \end{split}$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} \langle x \rangle &= \int_0^a \Psi^* x \Psi \, dx \\ &= \int_0^a x |\Psi|^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{a}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{32}{9\pi^2} \cos(3\omega t) \right] \end{split}$$

(d)

$$\langle p \rangle = m \frac{d \langle x \rangle}{dt}$$
$$= \frac{16am\omega}{3\pi^2} \sin(3\omega t)$$
$$= \frac{8\hbar}{3a} \sin(3\omega t)$$

(e) You can get  $E_1$  or  $E_2$  and the probability of getting each is 1/2.  $H = \frac{1}{2}(E_1 + E_2)$  is the mean of the two possible energy values.

#### 2.6

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,0) &= A[\psi_1 + e^{i\phi}\psi_2] \\ 1 &= \int_0^a |\Psi|^2 \, dx \\ &= \int_0^a \Psi^* \Psi \, dx \\ &= A^2 \int_0^a (\psi_1 + e^{-i\phi}\psi_2)(\psi_1 + e^{i\phi}\psi_2) \, dx \\ &= A^2 \int_0^a (\psi_1^2 + e^{i\phi}\psi_1\psi_2 + e^{-i\phi}\psi_1\psi_2 + \psi_2^2) \, dx \\ &= \frac{2A^2}{a} \int_0^a \left[ \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) + e^{i\phi} \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \right] \, dx \\ &= \frac{2A^2}{a} \int_0^a \left[ \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) + \sin^2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \right] \, dx \\ &= \frac{2A^2}{a} \int_0^a \left[ \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) + \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \cos \phi \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sin^2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \right] \, dx \\ &= 2A^2 \\ A &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \left[ \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) e^{-i\omega t} + \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) e^{i(\phi - 4\omega t)} \right] \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} |\Psi|^2 &= \Psi^* \Psi \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \left[ \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) e^{i\omega t} + \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) e^{-i(\phi - 4\omega t)} \right] \\ &\left[ \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) e^{-i\omega t} + \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) e^{i(\phi - 4\omega t)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \left[ \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) + \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) e^{i(\phi - 3\omega t)} \\ &\sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) e^{-i(\phi - 3\omega t)} + \sin^2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \left[ \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) + \sin^2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \\ &+ 2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \cos(\phi - 3\omega t) \right] \\ \langle x \rangle &= \int_0^a \Psi^* x \Psi \, dx \\ &= \int_0^a x |\Psi|^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{a}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{32}{9\pi^2} \cos(3\omega t - \phi) \right] \end{split}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} 1 &= \int_0^a |\Psi|^2 \, dx \\ &= A^2 \left[ \int_0^{a/2} x^2 \, dx + \int_{a/2}^a (a - x)^2 \, dx \right] \\ &= A^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \left[ \frac{a}{2} \right]^3 + \left[ -\frac{1}{3} (a - x)^3 \right]_{a/2}^a \right\} \\ &= A^2 \left( \frac{a^3}{24} + \frac{a^3}{24} \right) \\ &= \frac{A^2 a^3}{12} \\ A &= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{a^3}} \end{split}$$

(b) 
$$c_{n} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \int_{0}^{a} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \Psi(x,0) dx$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \left[ \int_{0}^{a/2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) Ax dx + \int_{a/2}^{a} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) A(a-x) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{a^{2}} \left[ \int_{0}^{a/2} x \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) dx + \int_{a/2}^{a} (a-x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{8\sqrt{6}}{n^{2}\pi^{2}} \sin^{2}\left(\frac{n\pi}{4}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & n \text{ even} \\ (-1)^{(n-1)/2} \frac{4\sqrt{6}}{n^{2}\pi^{2}} & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$\Psi(x,t) = \frac{4\sqrt{6}}{\pi^{2}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sum_{n=1,3,5}^{\infty} (-1)^{(n-1)/2} \frac{1}{n^{2}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-i(n^{2}\pi^{2}\hbar/2ma^{2})t}$$

$$|c_1|^2 = \left(\frac{4\sqrt{6}}{\pi^2}\right)^2$$

(d)
$$E_{n} = \frac{n^{2}\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}$$

$$\langle H \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |c_{2n+1}|^{2} E_{2n+1}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4\sqrt{6}}{(2n+1)^{2}\pi^{2}}\right)^{2} \frac{(2n+1)^{2}\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{48\hbar^{2}}{(2n+1)^{2}ma^{2}\pi^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{48\hbar^{2}}{ma^{2}\pi^{2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{6\hbar^{2}}{ma^{2}\pi^{2}}$$

$$1 = \int_0^{a/2} |\Psi|^2 dx$$

$$= A^2 \int_0^{a/2} dx$$

$$= \frac{aA^2}{2}$$

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}}$$

$$c_n = \frac{2}{a} \int_0^{a/2} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) dx$$

$$|c_1|^2 = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^2$$

$$\approx 0.405$$

2.9

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,0) &= Ax(a-x) \\ \langle H \rangle &= \int_0^a \Psi(x,0)^* \hat{H} \Psi(x,0) \, dx \\ &= \int_0^a \Psi(x,0)^* \left( -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \right) \Psi(x,0) \, dx \\ &= \frac{A^2 \hbar^2}{m} \int_0^a x(a-x) \, dx \\ &= \frac{30 \hbar^2}{m a^5} \frac{a^3}{6} \\ &= \frac{5 \hbar^2}{m a^2} \end{split}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} \psi_2(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2!}} (\hat{a}_+) \psi_1 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m \omega}} \left( -\hbar \frac{d}{dx} + m \omega x \right) \left( \frac{m \omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/4} \sqrt{\frac{2m \omega}{\hbar}} x e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\hbar} \left( \frac{m \omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/4} \left( -\hbar \frac{d}{dx} + m \omega x \right) x e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\hbar} \left( \frac{m \omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/4} \left[ -\hbar \left( e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2\hbar} x^2} - \frac{m \omega}{\hbar} x^2 e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \right) + m \omega x^2 e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{m \omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/4} \left( \frac{2m \omega}{\hbar} x^2 - 1 \right) e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \end{split}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} \langle x \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_0^* x \psi_0 \, dx \\ &= \alpha^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-\frac{m\omega}{\hbar} x^2} \, dx \\ &= 0 \\ \langle p \rangle &= m \frac{d \, \langle x \rangle}{dt} \\ &= 0 \\ \langle x^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_0^* x^2 \psi_0 \, dx \\ &= \alpha^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{\hbar} x^2} \, dx \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \\ \langle p^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_0^* \left( -\hbar^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \right) \psi_0 \, dx \\ &= -\hbar^2 \left( \frac{m\omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\frac{m\omega}{\hbar} x e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \right) \, dx \\ &= \hbar^2 \left( \frac{m\omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/2} \frac{m\omega}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \left( e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar} x^2} - \frac{m\omega}{\hbar} x^2 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar} x^2} \right) \, dx \\ &= \hbar^2 \left( \frac{m\omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/2} \frac{m\omega}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{m\omega}{\hbar} x^2 \right) e^{-\frac{m\omega}{\hbar} x^2} \, dx \\ &= \hbar^2 \left( \frac{m\omega}{\pi \hbar} \right)^{1/2} \frac{m\omega}{\hbar} \frac{\hbar \sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{\hbar m\omega}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m \hbar \omega \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \psi_1(x) &= \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4} \sqrt{\frac{2m\omega}{\hbar}} x e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2} \\ \langle x \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle p \rangle &= m \frac{d \left\langle x \right\rangle}{dt} \\ &= 0 \\ \langle x^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_1^* x^2 \psi_1 \, dx \\ &= \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \frac{2m\omega}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^4 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}x^2} \, dx \\ &= \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \frac{2m\omega}{\hbar} \frac{3}{4} \sqrt{\pi} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}\right)^{5/2} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} \\ \langle p^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_1^* \left(-\hbar^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right) \psi_1 \, dx \\ &= -\hbar^2 \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \frac{2m\omega}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2} \frac{d}{dx} \left(e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2} - \frac{m\omega}{\hbar}x^2 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2}\right) \, dx \\ &= -\hbar^2 \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \frac{2m\omega}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2} \left[-\frac{m\omega}{\hbar} x e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2} - \frac{2m\omega}{\hbar} x e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2} + \left(\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}\right)^2 x^3 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2}\right] \, dx \\ &= 2\hbar^2 \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}\right)^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}x^2} \left(3 - \frac{m\omega}{\hbar}x^2\right) \, dx \\ &= 2\hbar^2 \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}\right)^2 \frac{3}{4} \sqrt{\pi} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}\right)^{3/2} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} m\hbar\omega \end{split}$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}}$$

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{m\hbar\omega}{2}}$$

$$\sigma_x \sigma_p = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\frac{3\hbar}{2m\omega}}$$

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{3m\hbar\omega}{2}}$$

$$\sigma_x \sigma_p = \frac{3}{2}\hbar$$

# (c)

$$\begin{split} \langle T \rangle &= \frac{\langle p^2 \rangle}{2m} \\ &= \frac{\hbar \omega}{4} \\ \langle V \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \left\langle x^2 \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \hbar \omega \\ \langle T \rangle &= \frac{\langle p^2 \rangle}{2m} \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \hbar \omega \\ \langle V \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 \left\langle x^2 \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \hbar \omega \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \langle x \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* x \psi_n \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* (\hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-) \psi_n \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* (\sqrt{n+1} \psi_{n+1} + \sqrt{n} \psi_{n-1}) \, dx \\ &= 0 \\ \langle p \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* p \psi_n \, dx \\ &= i \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m\omega}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* (\hat{a}_+ - \hat{a}_-) \psi_n \, dx \\ &= i \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m\omega}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* (\sqrt{n+1} \psi_{n+1} - \sqrt{n} \psi_{n-1}) \, dx \\ &= 0 \\ \langle x^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* x^2 \psi_n \, dx \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* (\hat{a}_+^2 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-^2) \psi_n \, dx \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} (2n+1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_n|^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ \langle p^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_n^* p^2 \psi_n \, dx \\ &= \frac{\hbar m\omega}{2} (2n+1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_n|^2 \, dx \\ &= \frac{\hbar m\omega}{2} (2n+1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_n|^2 \, dx \\ &= \hbar m\omega \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ \langle T \rangle &= \left\langle \frac{p^2}{2m} \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \end{split}$$

$$\sigma_{x} = \sqrt{\langle x^{2} \rangle - \langle x \rangle^{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega} \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

$$\sigma_{p} = \sqrt{\hbar m\omega \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

$$\sigma_{x}\sigma_{p} = (2n+1)\frac{\hbar}{2}$$

$$\geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,0) &= A[3\psi_0(x) + 4\psi_1(x)] \\ 1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi(x,0)|^2 dx \\ &= A^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [9\psi_0(x)^2 + 24\psi_0(x)\psi_1(x) + 16\psi_1(x)^2] dx \\ &= 25A^2 \\ A &= \frac{1}{5} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{5} [3\psi_0(x)e^{-i\omega t/2} + 4\psi_1(x)e^{-3i\omega t/2}] \\ |\Psi(x,t)|^2 &= \Psi(x,t)^* \Psi(x,t) \\ &= \frac{1}{25} [3\psi_0(x)e^{i\omega t/2} + 4\psi_1(x)e^{3i\omega t/2}] [3\psi_0(x)e^{-i\omega t/2} + 4\psi_1(x)e^{-3i\omega t/2}] \\ &= \frac{1}{25} [9\psi_0(x)^2 + 12\psi_0(x)\psi_1(x)e^{-i\omega t} + 12\psi_0(x)\psi_1(x)e^{i\omega t} + 16\psi_1(x)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{25} [9\psi_0(x)^2 + 16\psi_1(x)^2 + 24\psi_0(x)\psi_1(x)\cos\omega t] \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \langle x \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* x \Psi \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{25} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x (9\psi_0^2 + 16\psi_1^2 + 24\psi_0 \psi_1 \cos \omega t) \, dx \\ &= \frac{24}{25} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \psi_0 \psi_1 \cos(\omega t) \, dx \\ &= \frac{24}{25} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \sqrt{\frac{2m\omega}{\hbar}} \cos(\omega t) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}x^2} \, dx \\ &= \frac{24}{25} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \sqrt{\frac{2m\omega}{\hbar}} \cos(\omega t) \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\pi} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}\right)^{3/2} \\ &= \frac{24}{25} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \cos(\omega t) \\ \langle p \rangle &= m \frac{d \langle x \rangle}{dt} \\ &= -\frac{24}{25} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m\omega}{2}} \sin(\omega t) \\ \frac{d \langle p \rangle}{dt} &= -\frac{24}{25} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m\omega}{2}} \omega \cos(\omega t) \\ V &= \frac{1}{2} m\omega^2 x^2 \\ \frac{\partial V}{\partial \theta} &= m\omega^2 x \\ \left\langle -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right\rangle &= -m\omega^2 \langle x \rangle \\ &= -\frac{24}{25} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m\omega}{2}} \omega \cos(\omega t) \\ &= \frac{d \langle p \rangle}{dt} \end{split}$$

(d)

$$E_0 = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2}$$

$$P(E_0) = \frac{9}{25}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{3\hbar\omega}{2}$$

$$P(E_1) = \frac{16}{25}$$

$$1 - \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\sqrt{\hbar/m\omega}}^{\sqrt{\hbar/m\omega}} e^{-m\omega x^2/\hbar} dx = 1 - \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi\hbar}{m\omega}} \operatorname{erf} 1$$
$$= 0.157$$

#### 2.15

$$a_{j+2} = \frac{-2(n-j)}{(j+1)(j+2)} a_j$$

$$a_3 = -\frac{4}{3} a_1$$

$$a_5 = \frac{4}{15} a_1$$

$$H_5(\xi) = a_1 \left(\xi - \frac{4}{3} \xi^3 + \frac{4}{15} \xi^5\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{120} a_1 (120\xi - 160\xi^3 + 32\xi^5)$$

$$= 32\xi^5 - 160\xi^3 + 120\xi$$

$$a_2 = -6a_0$$

$$a_4 = \frac{-8}{12} a_2$$

$$= 4a_0$$

$$a_6 = \frac{-4}{30} a_4$$

$$= -\frac{8}{15} a_0$$

$$H_6(\xi) = a_0 \left(1 - 6\xi^2 + 4\xi^4 - \frac{8}{15} \xi^6\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{120} a_0 (120 - 720\xi^2 + 480\xi^4 - 64\xi^6)$$

$$= 64\xi^6 - 480\xi^4 + 720\xi^2 - 120$$

$$Ae^{ikx} + Be^{-ikx} = A[\cos(kx) + i\sin(kx)] + B[\cos(kx) - i\sin(kx)]$$

$$= (A+B)\cos(kx) + i(A-B)\sin(kx)$$

$$C = A+B$$

$$D = i(A-B)$$

$$-iD = A-B$$

$$A = \frac{C-iD}{2}$$

$$B = \frac{C+iD}{2}$$

#### 2.18

$$\begin{split} \Psi_k(x,t) &= A e^{i \left(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m} t\right)} \\ J(x,t) &= \frac{i \hbar}{2m} \left( \Psi \frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial x} - \Psi^* \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= \frac{\hbar k |A|^2}{m} \end{split}$$

The probability travels in the same direction as the wave.

#### 2.20

(a)

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,0) &= Ae^{-a|x|} \\ 1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \Psi \, dx \\ &= |A|^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2a|x|} \, dx \\ &= 2|A|^2 \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-2ax} \, dx \\ &= \frac{|A|^2}{a} \\ A &= \sqrt{a} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \phi(k) &= \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a|x| - ikx} \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a|x|} [\cos(kx) - i\sin(kx)] \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-a|x|} \cos(kx) \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} 2 \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-ax} \cos(kx) \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{a}{2\pi}} \frac{2a}{a^2 + k^2} \end{split}$$

(c) 
$$\Psi(x,t) = \frac{a^{3/2}}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a^2 + k^2} e^{i\left(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}t\right)} dk$$

(a)

$$\Psi(x,0) = Ae^{-ax^2}$$

$$1 = A^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2ax^2} dx$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2a}} A^2$$

$$A = \left(\frac{2a}{\pi}\right)^{1/4}$$

$$\begin{split} \phi(k) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{2a}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(ax^2 + ikx)} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi a)^{1/4}} e^{-k^2/4a} \\ \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{(2\pi a)^{1/4}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{k^2}{4a} + i\left(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}t\right)} \, dk \\ \Psi(x,t) &= \left(\frac{2a}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} \frac{1}{\gamma} e^{-ax^2/\gamma^2} \end{split}$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} |\Psi(x,t)|^2 &= \Psi^* \Psi \\ &= \left(\frac{2a}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\gamma^*} e^{-ax^2/(\gamma^*)^2} \frac{1}{\gamma} e^{-ax^2/\gamma^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{2a}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2i\hbar at/m}} e^{-ax^2/(1-2i\hbar at/m)} \\ &\qquad \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+2i\hbar at/m}} e^{-ax^2/(1+2i\hbar at/m)} \\ &= \left(\frac{2a}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(2\hbar at/m)^2}} e^{-2ax^2/[1+(2a\hbar t/m)^2]} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} w e^{-2w^2x^2} \end{split}$$

As t increases  $|\Psi|^2$  flattens out and broadens.

(d)

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* x \Psi \, dx$$

$$= 0$$

$$\langle p \rangle = m \frac{d \langle x \rangle}{dt}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* x^2 \Psi \, dx$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} w \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-2w^2 x^2} \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4w^2}$$

#### 2.22

- (a) -25
- (b) 1
- (c) 0

$$F(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x)e^{-ikx} dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} dk$$

2.29

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} Fe^{-\kappa x} & x > a \\ C\sin(lx) & 0 < x < a \\ -\psi(-x) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$Fe^{-\kappa a} = C\sin(la)$$

$$-\kappa Fe^{-\kappa a} = lC\cos(la)$$

$$-\frac{1}{\kappa} = \frac{1}{l}\tan(la)$$

$$\tan z = -\frac{l}{\kappa}$$

$$= -\frac{la}{\kappa a}$$

$$= -\frac{z}{\sqrt{z_0^2 - z^2}}$$

For large  $z_0$  the intersections occur just below  $z_n=n\pi$  so

$$z = la$$

$$n\pi \approx \frac{\sqrt{2m(E + V_0)}}{\hbar}a$$

$$E + V_0 \approx \frac{n^2\pi^2\hbar^2}{2ma^2}.$$

As  $z_0$  decreases there are fewer and fewer bound states. When  $z_0 < \pi/2$  there are no odd bound states.

$$\begin{split} \psi(x) &= \begin{cases} Fe^{-\kappa x} & x > a \\ D\cos(lx) & 0 < x < a \\ \psi(-x) & x < 0 \end{cases} \\ 1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi|^2 \, dx \\ &= 2 \left( |D|^2 \int_0^a \cos^2(lx) \, dx + |F|^2 \int_a^{\infty} e^{-2\kappa x} \, dx \right) \\ &= 2 \left[ |D|^2 \frac{2al + \sin(2al)}{4l} + \frac{|F|^2}{2\kappa} e^{-2\kappa a} \right] \\ &= |D|^2 \left[ a + \frac{\sin(2al)}{2l} + \frac{\cos^2(al)}{\kappa} \right] \\ &= |D|^2 \left[ a + \frac{2\sin(al)\cos(al)}{2l} + \frac{\cos^3(al)}{l\sin(al)} \right] \\ &= |D|^2 \left[ a + \frac{\cos(al)}{l\sin(al)} \left[ \sin^2(al) + \cos^2(al) \right] \right\} \\ &= |D|^2 \left[ a + \frac{1}{l\tan(al)} \right] \\ &= |D|^2 \left[ a + \frac{1}{l\tan(al)} \right] \\ &= |D|^2 \left[ a + \frac{1}{\kappa} \right] \\ D &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{a + 1/\kappa}} \end{aligned}$$

$$1 &= \left\{ \frac{1}{a + 1/\kappa} \left[ a + \frac{\sin(2al)}{2l} \right] + |F|^2 \frac{e^{-2\kappa a}}{\kappa} \right\}$$

$$\frac{(Fe^{-\kappa a})^2}{\kappa} = 1 - \frac{1}{a + 1/\kappa} \left[ a + \frac{\sin(2al)}{2l} \right]$$

$$(Fe^{-\kappa a})^2 = \kappa - \frac{\kappa}{a + 1/\kappa} \left[ a + \frac{\sin(2al)}{2l} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\kappa a + 1 - \kappa a - \kappa \sin(al) \cos(al)/l}{a + 1/\kappa}$$

$$= \frac{1 - \sin^2(al)}{a + 1/\kappa}$$

 $F = \frac{e^{\kappa a} \cos(al)}{\sqrt{a + 1/\kappa}}$ 

$$1 = 2aV_0$$

$$V_0 = \frac{1}{2a}$$

$$z_0 = \frac{a}{\hbar}\sqrt{2mV_0}$$

$$= \frac{a}{\hbar}\sqrt{\frac{m}{a}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{am}}{\hbar}$$

$$\lim_{a \to 0} z_0 = 0$$

(a)

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \le 0 \\ V_0 & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = E \psi$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi$$

$$= -k^2 \psi$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi = Ae^{ikx} + Be^{-ikx}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} + V_0 \psi = E \psi$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{2m(E - V_0)}{\hbar^2} \psi$$

$$= \kappa^2 \psi$$

$$\kappa = \frac{\sqrt{2m(V_0 - E)}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi = Fe^{-\kappa x}$$

$$A + B = F$$

$$ik(A - B) = -\kappa F$$

$$F = -i\frac{k}{\kappa}(A - B)$$

$$A + B = -i\frac{k}{\kappa}(A - B)$$

$$\left(1 - i\frac{k}{\kappa}\right)B = -\left(1 + i\frac{k}{\kappa}\right)A$$

$$B = -\frac{1 + ik/\kappa}{1 - ik/\kappa}A$$

$$R = \frac{|B|^2}{|A|^2}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1 + ik/\kappa}{1 - ik/\kappa}\right)\left(-\frac{1 - ik/\kappa}{1 + ik/\kappa}\right)$$

$$= 1$$

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} Ae^{ikx} + Be^{-ikx} & x < 0 \\ Fe^{ilx} & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

$$l = \frac{\sqrt{2m(E - V_0)}}{\hbar}$$

$$A + B = F$$

$$ik(A - B) = ilF$$

$$F = \frac{k}{l}(A - B)$$

$$A + B = \frac{k}{l}(A - B)$$

$$\left(\frac{k}{l} + 1\right)B = \left(\frac{k}{l} - 1\right)A$$

$$B = \frac{k/l - 1}{k/l + 1}A$$

$$R = \frac{|B|^2}{|A|^2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{k/l - 1}{k/l + 1}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{k - l}{k + l}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{(k - l)^4}{(k^2 - l^2)^2}$$

$$k^2 - l^2 = \frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} - \frac{2m(E - V_0)}{\hbar^2}$$

$$= \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}V_0$$

$$k - l = \frac{\sqrt{2m}}{\hbar}(\sqrt{E} - \sqrt{E - V_0})^4$$

$$R = \frac{(\sqrt{E} - \sqrt{E - V_0})^4}{V_0^2}$$

$$B = F - A$$

$$F = \frac{k}{l}(A - F + A)$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{k}{l}\right)F = \frac{2k}{l}A$$

$$F = \frac{2k}{k+l}A$$

$$\frac{l}{k} = \sqrt{\frac{E - V_0}{E}}$$

$$T = \left|\frac{F}{A}\right|^2 \frac{l}{k}$$

$$= \left(\frac{2k}{k+l}\right)^2 \frac{l}{k}$$

$$= \frac{4kl}{(k+l)^2}$$

$$= \frac{4kl(k-l)^2}{(k^2 - l^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{4\sqrt{E}\sqrt{E - V_0}(\sqrt{E} - \sqrt{E - V_0})^2}{V_0^2}$$

$$T + R = \frac{4kl}{(k+l)^2} + \frac{(k-l)^2}{(k+l)^2}$$

$$= \frac{4kl + k^2 - 2kl + l^2}{(k+l)^2}$$

$$= \frac{k^2 + 2kl + l^2}{(k+l)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(k+l)^2}{(k+l)^2}$$

(a)

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ -V_0 & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = E\psi$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi$$

$$= -k^2 \psi$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi = Ae^{ikx} + Be^{-ikx}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} - V_0 \psi = E\psi$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E + V_0) \psi$$

$$= -l^2 \psi$$

$$l = \frac{\sqrt{2m(E + V_0)}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi = Fe^{ilx}$$

$$A + B = F$$

$$ik(A - B) = ilF$$

$$k(A - B) = ilF$$

$$k(A - B) = i(A + B)$$

$$(k + l)B = (k - l)A$$

$$B = \frac{k - l}{k + l}A$$

$$R = \left|\frac{B}{A}\right|^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{k - l}{k + l}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sqrt{E} - \sqrt{E + V_0}}{\sqrt{E} + \sqrt{E} + V_0}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}$$

(c)

$$T = 1 - R = \frac{8}{9}$$

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & |x| < a \\ \infty & |x| > a \end{cases}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = E \psi$$

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dx^2} = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \psi$$

$$= -k^2 \psi$$

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi = A \sin kx + B \cos kx$$

$$0 = -A \sin ka + B \cos ka$$

$$0 = A \sin ka + B \cos ka$$

$$B \cos ka = 0$$

$$k = \frac{n\pi}{2a}, n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$E = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m(2a)^2}$$

$$\psi = B \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2a}x\right), n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$1 = |B|^2 \int_{-a}^{a} \cos^2\left(\frac{n\pi}{2a}x\right) dx$$

$$B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$$

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2a}x\right), n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$A \sin ka = 0$$

$$k = \frac{n\pi}{2a}, n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$E = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m(2a)^2}$$

$$\psi = A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2a}x\right), n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$1 = |A| \int_{-a}^{a} \sin^2\left(\frac{n\pi}{2a}x\right) dx$$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$$

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2a}x\right), n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$\begin{split} &\Psi(x,0) = A\sin^3\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) \\ &= A\left[\frac{3}{4}\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{a}x\right) - \frac{1}{4}\sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{a}x\right)\right] \\ &= A\sqrt{\frac{a}{2}}\left[\frac{3}{4}\psi_1(x) - \frac{1}{4}\psi_3(x)\right] \\ &= A\sqrt{\frac{a}{2}}\left[\frac{3}{4}\psi_1(x) - \frac{1}{4}\psi_3(x)\right] \\ &= |A|^2\frac{a}{2}\int_0^a \left[\frac{3}{4}\psi_1(x) - \frac{1}{4}\psi_3(x)\right]^2 dx \\ &= |A|^2\frac{a}{2}\int_0^a \left[\frac{9}{16}\psi_1(x)^2 - \frac{3}{8}\psi_1(x)\psi_3(x) + \frac{1}{16}\psi_3(x)^2\right] dx \\ &= \frac{5}{16}a|A|^2 \\ &A = \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}a} \\ &\Psi(x,0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}[3\psi_1(x) - \psi_3(x)] \\ &\Psi(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}[3\psi_1(x)e^{-iE_1t/h} - \psi_3(x)e^{-iE_3t/h}] \\ &\langle x \rangle = \int_0^a \Psi^*x\Psi \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{10}\int_0^a x \left(9\psi_1^2 + \psi_3^2 - 3\psi_1\psi_3e^{-i(E_3 - E_1)t/h} - 3\psi_1\psi_3e^{-i(E_1 - E_3)t/h}\right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{10}\int_0^a x \left(9\psi_1^2 + \psi_3^2 - 6\psi_1\psi_3\cos\left(\frac{E_3 - E_1}{h}t\right)\right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{10}\left[9\langle x \rangle_1 + \langle x \rangle_3 - 6\cos\left(\frac{E_3 - E_1}{h}t\right)\int_0^a x\psi_1\psi_3 \, dx\right] \\ &= \frac{a}{2} \\ &P(E_1) = \frac{9}{10} \\ &P(E_3) = \frac{1}{10} \\ &\langle E \rangle = E_1P(E_1) + E_3P(E_3) \\ &= \frac{9\pi^2h^2}{20ma^2} + \frac{9\pi^2h^2}{20ma^2} \\ &= \frac{9\pi^2h^2}{20ma^2} - \frac{9\pi^2h^2}{20ma^2} \end{split}$$

(a)

$$\Psi(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \psi_n(x) e^{-iE_n t/\hbar}$$

$$\Psi(x,0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \psi_n(x)$$

$$E_n T = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} \frac{4ma^2}{\pi \hbar}$$

$$= 2\pi n^2 \hbar$$

$$\Psi(x,T) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \psi_n(x) e^{-iE_n T/\hbar}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \psi_n(x) e^{-2\pi i n^2}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n \psi_n(x)$$

$$= \Psi(x,0)$$

(b)

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^{2}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2E}{m}}$$

$$T = \frac{2a}{v}$$

$$= a\sqrt{\frac{2m}{E}}$$

(c)

$$\frac{4ma^2}{\pi\hbar} = a\sqrt{\frac{2m}{E}}$$

$$\frac{16m^2a^2}{\pi^2\hbar^2} = \frac{2m}{E}$$

$$E = \frac{\pi^2\hbar^2}{8ma^2}$$

$$= \frac{E_1}{4}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,0) &= \begin{cases} \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{a\sqrt{a}}x & 0 \leq x \leq a/2 \\ \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{a\sqrt{a}}(a-x) & a/2 \leq x \leq a \end{cases} \\ \frac{d}{dx}\Psi(x,0) &= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{a\sqrt{a}}\left[1-2\theta\left(x-\frac{a}{2}\right)\right] \end{split}$$

(b) 
$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\Psi(x,0) = -\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{a\sqrt{a}}\delta\left(x-\frac{a}{2}\right)$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} \hat{H}\Psi(x,0) &= \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V(x) \right] \Psi(x,0) \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{a\sqrt{a}} \delta \left( x - \frac{a}{2} \right) + V(x) \Psi(x,0) \\ \langle H \rangle &= \int \Psi(x,0)^* \hat{H} \Psi(x,0) \, dx \\ &= \int_0^a \Psi(x,0)^* \left[ \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{a\sqrt{a}} \delta \left( x - \frac{a}{2} \right) + V(x) \Psi(x,0) \right] \, dx \\ &= \Psi \left( \frac{a}{2},0 \right)^* \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{a\sqrt{a}} + \int_0^a \Psi(x,0)^* V(x) \Psi(x,0) \, dx \\ &= \frac{6\hbar^2}{ma^2} \end{split}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} V(x) &= \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 \\ \xi &= \sqrt{\frac{m \omega}{\hbar}} x \\ \psi_n(x) &= \left(\frac{m \omega}{\pi \hbar}\right)^{1/4} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n!}} H_n(\xi) e^{-\xi^2/2} \\ \Psi(x,0) &= A \left(1 - 2\sqrt{\frac{m \omega}{\hbar}} x\right)^2 e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2 \hbar} x^2} \\ &= A \left(1 - 4\sqrt{\frac{m \omega}{\hbar}} x + \frac{4m \omega}{\hbar} x^2\right) e^{-\frac{m \omega}{2 \hbar} x^2} \\ &= A \left(\frac{\pi \hbar}{m \omega}\right)^{1/4} \left[3\psi_0(x) - 2\sqrt{2}\psi_1(x) + 2\sqrt{2}\psi_2(x)\right] \\ 1 &= A^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi \hbar}{m \omega}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (3\psi_0 - 2\sqrt{2}\psi_1 + 2\sqrt{2}\psi_2)^2 \, dx \\ &= A^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi \hbar}{m \omega}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (9\psi_0^2 - 12\sqrt{2}\psi_0\psi_1 + 12\sqrt{2}\psi_0\psi_2 + 8\psi_1^2 - 16\psi_1\psi_2 + 8\psi_2^2) \, dx \\ &= 25A^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi \hbar}{m \omega}} \\ A &= \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{m \omega}{\pi \hbar}\right)^{1/4} \\ \Psi(x,0) &= \frac{3}{5}\psi_0(x) - \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\psi_1(x) + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\psi_2(x) \end{split}$$

$$E_0 = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2}$$

$$P(E_0) = \frac{9}{25}$$

$$E_1 = \frac{3\hbar\omega}{2}$$

$$P(E_1) = \frac{8}{25}$$

$$E_2 = \frac{5\hbar\omega}{2}$$

$$P(E_2) = \frac{8}{25}$$

$$\langle E \rangle = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} \frac{9}{25} + \frac{3\hbar\omega}{2} \frac{8}{25} + \frac{5\hbar\omega}{2} \frac{8}{25}$$

$$= \frac{73}{50}\hbar\omega$$

$$\xi = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}}x$$

$$\psi_n(x) = \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n n!}} H_n(\xi) e^{-\xi^2/2}$$

$$\Psi(x,T) = B\left(1 + 2\sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}}x\right)^2 e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2}$$

$$= B\left(1 + 4\sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}}x + 4\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}x^2\right) e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2}$$

$$= B\left(\frac{\pi\hbar}{m\omega}\right)^{1/4} \left[3\psi_0(x) + 2\sqrt{2}\psi_1(x) + 2\sqrt{2}\psi_2(x)\right]$$

$$1 = |B|^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi\hbar}{m\omega}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [3\psi_0 + 2\sqrt{2}\psi_1 + 2\sqrt{2}\psi_2]^2 dx$$

$$= |B|^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi\hbar}{m\omega}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [9\psi_0^2 + 12\sqrt{2}\psi_0\psi_1 + 12\sqrt{2}\psi_0\psi_2 + 8\psi_1^2 + 16\psi_1\psi_2 + 8\psi_2^2] dx$$

$$= 25|B|^2 \sqrt{\frac{\pi\hbar}{m\omega}}$$

$$B = \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4}$$

$$\Psi(x,T) = \frac{3}{5}\psi_0(x) + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\psi_1(x) + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\psi_2(x)$$

$$\Psi(x,t) = \frac{3}{5}\psi_0(x)e^{-i\omega t/2} - \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\psi_1(x)e^{-3i\omega t/2} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\psi_2(x)e^{-5i\omega t/2}$$

$$= e^{-i\omega t/2} \left[\frac{3}{5}\psi_0(x) - \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\psi_1(x)e^{-i\omega t} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}e^{-2i\omega t}\right]$$

$$e^{-i\omega T} = -1$$

$$e^{-2i\omega T} = 1$$

$$T = \frac{\pi}{\omega}$$

The argument for calculating the allowed energies and wavefunctions is the same, except there is a boundary condition  $\psi(0) = 0$ . This leaves only  $\psi_n(x)$  for odd n.

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} -A\sin kx + B\cos kx & -a < x \le 0 \\ A\sin kx + B\cos kx & 0 \le x < a \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta \left(\frac{d\psi}{dx}\right) = 2Ak$$

$$\Delta \left(\frac{d\psi}{dx}\right) = \frac{2m\alpha}{\hbar^2}\psi(0)$$

$$2Ak = \frac{2m\alpha}{\hbar^2}B$$

$$B = \frac{\hbar^2k}{m\alpha}A$$

$$\psi(x) = A\left(\sin kx + \frac{\hbar^2k}{m\alpha}\cos kx\right)$$

$$0 = A\sin ka + \frac{\hbar^2k}{m\alpha}A\cos ka$$

$$\tan ka = -\frac{\hbar^2k}{m\alpha}$$

$$ka \approx \frac{n\pi}{2}, n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$E \approx \frac{n^2\pi^2\hbar^2}{2m(2a)^2}, n = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} A\sin kx - B\cos kx & -a < x \le 0 \\ A\sin kx + B\cos kx & 0 \le x < a \end{cases}$$

$$-B = B$$

$$B = 0$$

$$\psi(x) = A\sin kx$$

$$0 = A\sin kx$$

$$0 = A\sin kx$$

$$ka = \frac{n\pi}{2}, n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$\psi(x) = A\sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{2a}x\right)$$

$$E = \frac{n^2\pi^2\hbar^2}{2m(2a)^2}, n = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

$$\begin{split} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi_1}{dx^2} \psi_2 + V \psi_1 \psi_2 &= E \psi_1 \psi_2 \\ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2 \psi_2}{dx^2} \psi_1 + V \psi_1 \psi_2 &= E \psi_1 \psi_2 \\ \psi_2 \frac{d^2 \psi_1}{dx^2} - \psi_1 \frac{d^2 \psi_2}{dx^2} &= 0 \\ \frac{d}{dx} \left( \psi_2 \frac{d \psi_1}{dx} - \psi_1 \frac{d \psi_2}{dx} \right) &= 0 \\ \psi_2 \frac{d \psi_1}{dx} - \psi_1 \frac{d \psi_2}{dx} &= c \\ c &= 0 \\ \psi_2 \frac{d \psi_1}{dx} &= \psi_1 \frac{d \psi_2}{dx} \\ \frac{1}{\psi_1} \frac{d \psi_1}{dx} &= \frac{1}{\psi_2} \frac{d \psi_2}{dx} \\ \ln \psi_1 &= \ln \psi_2 + c \\ \psi_1 &= A \psi_2 \end{split}$$

## 2.45

(a)

$$\begin{split} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{d^2\psi_n}{dx^2}\psi_m + V(x)\psi_n\psi_m &= E_n\psi_n\psi_m \\ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{d^2\psi_m}{dx^2}\psi_n + V(x)\psi_n\psi_m &= E_m\psi_n\psi_m \\ &\qquad \frac{d^2\psi_m}{dx^2}\psi_n - \frac{d^2\psi_n}{dx^2}\psi_m &= \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}(E_n - E_m)\psi_n\psi_m \\ &\qquad \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{d\psi_m}{dx}\psi_n - \frac{d\psi_n}{dx}\psi_m\right) &= \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}(E_n - E_m)\psi_n\psi_m \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{d}{dx} (\psi'_m \psi_n - \psi'_n \psi_m) \, dx = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E_n - E_m) \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \psi_n \psi_m \, dx$$
$$\psi'_m(x_2) \psi_n(x_2) - \psi'_m(x_1) \psi_n(x_1) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E_n - E_m) \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \psi_n \psi_m \, dx$$

$$\frac{1}{1-i\beta} \begin{pmatrix} i\beta & 1\\ 1 & i\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) 
$$\frac{e^{-2ika}}{\cos(2la) - i\frac{(k^2 + l^2)}{2kl}\sin(2la)} \begin{pmatrix} i\frac{\sin(2la)}{2kl}(l^2 - k^2) & 1\\ 1 & i\frac{\sin(2la)}{2kl}(l^2 - k^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

## 3 Formalism

3.1

(a)  $\left| \int_{a}^{b} (f^* + g^*)(f + g) \, dx \right| = \left| \int_{a}^{b} (f^* f + f^* g + g^* f + g^* g) \, dx \right|$   $\leq \int_{a}^{b} |f|^2 \, dx + \left| \int_{a}^{b} f^* g \, dx \right| + \left| \int_{a}^{b} g^* f \, dx \right| + \int_{a}^{b} |g|^2 \, dx$   $\leq \int_{a}^{b} |f|^2 \, dx + 2\sqrt{\int_{a}^{b} |f|^2 \, dx} \int_{a}^{b} |g|^2 \, dx + \int_{a}^{b} |g|^2 \, dx$ 

The set of all normalised functions isn't a vector space because e.g. multiplying a function by a constant also multiplies its integral by that constant meaning it's no longer a member of the vector space.

(b)

$$\langle \beta | \alpha \rangle = \int_{a}^{b} \beta^{*} \alpha \, dx$$

$$= \left( \int_{a}^{b} \alpha^{*} \beta \, dx \right)^{*}$$

$$= \langle \alpha | \beta \rangle^{*}$$

$$\langle a | a \rangle = \int_{a}^{b} |a|^{2} \, dx$$

$$> 0$$

If  $\langle \alpha | \alpha \rangle = 0$  that implies  $|\alpha|^2 = 0$  everywhere in the interval and thus  $|\alpha\rangle = |0\rangle$ .

$$\langle \alpha | (b | \beta) + c | \gamma \rangle) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \alpha^* (b\beta) \, dx + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \alpha^* (c\gamma) \, dx$$
$$= b \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \alpha^* \beta \, dx + c \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \alpha^* \gamma \, dx$$
$$= b \langle \alpha | \beta \rangle + c \langle \alpha | \gamma \rangle$$

(a) 
$$\int_0^1 x^{2\nu} dx = \frac{1}{2\nu + 1} \left[ x^{2\nu+1} \right]_0^1$$

The integral is defined for  $\nu > -1/2$ . For the case  $\nu = -1/2$ 

$$\int_0^1 x^{-1} dx = [\ln x]_0^1 = \ln 1 - \ln 0 = 0 - \infty.$$

So  $f(x) = x^{\nu}$  is in Hilbert space for  $\nu > -1/2$ .

(b)

$$\int_0^1 x \, dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^3 \, dx = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^{-1} \, dx = [\ln x]_0^1$$

$$= 0 - \infty$$

f(x) and xf(x) are in Hilbert space, but not (d/dx)f(x).

3.4

(a)

$$\begin{split} \langle f | (\hat{Q} + \hat{R}) f \rangle &= \langle f | \hat{Q} f \rangle + \langle f | \hat{R} f \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{Q} f | f \rangle + \langle \hat{R} f | f \rangle \\ &= \langle (\hat{Q} + \hat{R}) f | f \rangle \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\langle f | \alpha \hat{Q} g \rangle = \alpha \langle f | \hat{Q} g \rangle$$
$$= \alpha \langle \hat{Q} f | g \rangle$$
$$\langle \alpha \hat{Q} f | g \rangle = \alpha^* \langle \hat{Q} f | g \rangle$$
$$\alpha = \alpha^*$$

 $\alpha$  is real.

$$\begin{split} \langle f|\hat{Q}\hat{R}g\rangle &= \langle \hat{Q}f|\hat{R}g\rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{R}\hat{Q}f|g\rangle \end{split}$$

The product of the operators is hermitian when  $\hat{Q}\hat{R}=\hat{R}\hat{Q}$  i.e.  $[\hat{Q},\hat{R}]=0.$ 

#### (d)

$$\begin{split} \langle \Psi | \hat{x} \Psi \rangle &= \int \Psi^* \hat{x} \Psi \, dx \\ &= \int (\hat{x} \Psi)^* \Psi \, dx \\ &= \langle \hat{x} \Psi | \Psi \rangle \\ \langle \Psi | \hat{H} \Psi \rangle &= \int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi \, dx \\ &= \int \Psi^* \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + V(x) \right] \Psi \, dx \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \int \Psi^* \frac{d^2 \Psi}{dx^2} \, dx + \int \Psi^* V(x) \Psi \, dx \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[ \Psi^* \frac{d\Psi}{dx} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int \frac{d\Psi^*}{dx} \frac{d\Psi}{dx} \, dx \right] + \langle V(x) \Psi | \Psi \rangle \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[ \frac{d\Psi^*}{dx} \Psi \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int \frac{d^2 \Psi^*}{dx} \Psi \, dx \right] + \langle V(x) \Psi | \Psi \rangle \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \int \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \Psi^* \Psi \, dx + \langle V(x) \Psi | \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{H} \Psi | \Psi \rangle \end{split}$$

$$x' = x$$

$$i^{\dagger} = -i$$

$$\left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^{\dagger} = -\frac{d}{dx}$$

$$\begin{split} \langle f|\hat{Q}\hat{R}g\rangle &= \int f^{\dagger}\hat{Q}\hat{R}g\,dx\\ &= \int (\hat{Q}^{\dagger}f)^{\dagger}\hat{R}g\,dx\\ &= \int (\hat{R}^{\dagger}\hat{Q}^{\dagger}f)^{\dagger}g\,dx\\ &= \langle \hat{R}^{\dagger}\hat{Q}^{\dagger}f|g\rangle \end{split}$$

## (c)

$$\begin{split} \hat{a}_{+} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}} (-i\hat{p} + m\omega x) \\ \langle f | \hat{a}g \rangle &= \left\langle f \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}} (-i\hat{p} + m\omega x)g \right\rangle \right. \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}} \left\langle f | (-i\hat{p} + m\omega x)g \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}} (\langle f | - i\hat{p}g \rangle + \langle f | m\omega xg \rangle) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}} (\langle f | - i\hat{p}g \rangle + \langle m\omega xf | g \rangle) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}} (\langle i\hat{p}f | g \rangle + \langle m\omega xf | g \rangle) \\ &= \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}} (i\hat{p} + m\omega x)f \right| g \right\rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{a}_{-}f | g \rangle \end{split}$$

## 3.6

$$\begin{split} \langle f|\hat{Q}g\rangle &= \int_0^{2\pi} f^* \frac{d^2g}{d\phi^2} \, d\phi \\ &= \left. f^* \frac{dg}{d\phi} \right|_0^{2\pi} - \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{df}{d\phi} \right)^* \frac{dg}{d\phi} \, d\phi \\ &= - \left( \frac{df}{d\phi} \right)^* g \bigg|_0^{2\pi} + \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{d^2f}{d\phi} \right)^* g \, d\phi \\ &= \langle \hat{Q}f|g \rangle \end{split}$$

Yes, the operator is hermitian.

$$\begin{split} \hat{Q}f &= qf \\ \frac{d^2f}{d\phi^2} &= qf \\ \frac{d^2f}{d\phi^2} - qf &= 0 \\ f &= Ae^{\sqrt{q}\phi} + Be^{-\sqrt{q}\phi} \\ f(\phi + 2\pi) &= Ae^{\sqrt{q}(\phi + 2\pi)} + Be^{\sqrt{q}(\phi + 2\pi)} \\ &= Ae^{\sqrt{q}\phi}e^{2\pi\sqrt{q}} + Be^{\sqrt{q}\phi}e^{2\pi\sqrt{q}} \\ 2\pi\sqrt{q} &= 1 \\ q &= -n^2, \ n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{split}$$

The eigenfunctions are  $f=Ae^{\pm\sqrt{q}\phi}$  and the eigenvalues are  $q=0,1,2,\ldots$ The spectrum is degenerate as there are two eigenfunctions associated with each eigenvalue q>0.

## 3.7

(a)

$$h = af + bg$$

$$\hat{Q}h = \hat{Q}(af + bg)$$

$$= \hat{Q}(af) + \hat{Q}(bg)$$

$$= a\hat{Q}f + b\hat{Q}g$$

$$= aqf + bqg$$

$$= q(af + bg)$$

$$= qh$$

(b)

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2}e^x = e^x$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2}e^{-x} = e^{-x}$$

$$f = e^x + e^{-x}$$

$$g = e^x - e^{-x}$$

(a)

$$\hat{Q} = i\frac{d}{d\phi}$$

$$\hat{Q}f = qf$$

$$i\frac{df}{d\phi} = qf$$

$$\frac{df}{d\phi} + iqf = 0$$

$$f = Ae^{-iq\phi}$$

$$e^{-2\pi iq} = 1$$

$$q = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} Ae^{-iq\phi} Be^{-iq'\phi} d\phi = AB \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-i(q+q')\phi} d\phi$$

$$= 0$$

(b)

$$\hat{Q} = \frac{d^2}{d\phi^2}$$

$$\hat{Q}f = qf$$

$$\frac{d^2f}{d\phi^2} - qf = 0$$

$$f = Ae^{\pm\sqrt{q}\phi}$$

$$q = -n^2, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} Ae^{\pm\sqrt{q}\phi} Be^{\pm\sqrt{q'}\phi} d\phi = AB \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\pm in\phi} e^{\pm in'\phi} d\phi$$

$$= AB \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(\pm n\pm n')\phi} d\phi$$

$$= AB \left[ \frac{1}{i(\pm n\pm n')} e^{i(\pm n\pm n')\phi} \right]_0^{2\pi}$$

$$= AB \frac{1}{i(\pm n\pm n')} [e^{i(\pm n\pm n')2\pi} - 1]$$

$$= 0$$

- (a) Infinite square well
- (b) Delta function barrier

(c) Delta function well

## 3.11

$$\begin{split} \Psi_0(x,t) &= \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4} e^{-m\omega x^2/2\hbar} e^{-i\omega t/2} \\ \Phi_0(p,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ipx/\hbar} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4} e^{-m\omega x^2/2\hbar} e^{-i\omega t/2} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4} e^{-i\omega t/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ipx/\hbar} e^{-m\omega x^2/2\hbar} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \left(\frac{m\omega}{\pi\hbar}\right)^{1/4} e^{-i\omega t/2} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi\hbar}{m\omega}} e^{-p^2/2\hbar m\omega} \\ &= \frac{1}{(\pi\hbar m\omega)^{1/4}} e^{-p^2/2\hbar m\omega} e^{-i\omega t/2} \\ \frac{p^2}{2m} &= \frac{\hbar\omega}{2} \\ p &= \pm \sqrt{\hbar m\omega} \\ 1 - \int_{-\sqrt{\hbar m\omega}}^{\sqrt{\hbar m\omega}} |\Phi_0|^2 \, dp = 1 - \frac{1}{(\pi\hbar m\omega)^{1/4}} \int_{-\sqrt{\hbar m\omega}}^{\sqrt{\hbar m\omega}} e^{-p^2/\hbar m\omega} \, dp \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{(\pi\hbar m\omega)^{1/2}} \sqrt{\pi\hbar m\omega} \operatorname{erf} 1 \\ &= 0.16 \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{i\left(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}t\right)} \, dk \\ \Phi(p,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ipx/\hbar} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{i\left(kx - \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}t\right)} \, dk\right) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{-i\frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}t} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i(k-p/\hbar)x} \, dx\right) \, dk \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) e^{-i\frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}t} 2\pi \delta(k-p/\hbar) \, dk \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(k-p/\hbar) \phi(k) e^{-i\frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}t} \, dk \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hbar}} \phi(p/\hbar) e^{-i\frac{p^2}{2\hbar m}t} \\ |\Phi(p,t)|^2 &= \frac{1}{\hbar} |\phi(p/\hbar)|^2 \end{split}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} [\hat{A} + \hat{B}, \hat{C}] &= (\hat{A} + \hat{B})\hat{C} - \hat{C}(\hat{A} + \hat{B}) \\ &= \hat{A}\hat{C} + \hat{B}\hat{C} - \hat{C}\hat{A} - \hat{C}\hat{B} \\ &= \hat{A}\hat{C} - \hat{C}\hat{A} + \hat{B}\hat{C} - \hat{C}\hat{B} \\ &= [\hat{A}, \hat{C}] + [\hat{B}, \hat{C}] \\ \hat{A}[\hat{B}, \hat{C}] + [\hat{A}, \hat{C}]\hat{B} &= \hat{A}\hat{B}\hat{C} - \hat{A}\hat{C}\hat{B} + \hat{A}\hat{C}\hat{B} - \hat{C}\hat{A}\hat{B} \\ &= \hat{A}\hat{B}\hat{C} - \hat{C}\hat{A}\hat{B} \\ &= [\hat{A}\hat{B}, \hat{C}] \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} [x^n, \hat{p}] &= \left[ x^n, -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} \right] \\ &= x^n \left( -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} \right) - \left( -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} \right) x^n \\ &= x^n \left( -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} \right) (1) + i\hbar n x^{n-1} \\ &= i\hbar n x^{n-1} \end{split}$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} [f(x),\hat{p}]g(x) &= f(x) \left( -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} \right) g(x) - \left( -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} \right) [f(x)g(x)] \\ &= -i\hbar f(x) \frac{dg}{dx} + i\hbar \left[ \frac{df}{dx} g(x) + f(x) \frac{dg}{dx} \right] \\ &= i\hbar \frac{df}{dx} g(x) \\ [f(x),\hat{p}] &= i\hbar \frac{df}{dx} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} [\hat{H}, \hat{a}_{-}]g &= \hat{H}\hat{a}_{-}g - \hat{a}_{-}\hat{H}g \\ &= \hbar\omega \left(\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+} - \frac{1}{2}\right)\hat{a}_{-}g - \hat{a}_{-}\hbar\omega \left(\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+} - \frac{1}{2}\right)g \\ &= \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+}\hat{a}_{-}g - \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}g - \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}^{2}\hat{a}_{+}g + \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}g \\ &= \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+}\hat{a}_{-}g - \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}^{2}\hat{a}_{+}g \\ &= \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}(\hat{a}_{+}\hat{a}_{-} - \hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+})g \\ &= -\hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}g \\ [\hat{H}, \hat{a}_{-}] &= -\hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-} \\ [\hat{H}, \hat{a}_{+}]g &= \hat{H}\hat{a}_{+}g - \hat{a}_{+}\hat{H}g \\ &= \hbar\omega \left(\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+} - \frac{1}{2}\right)\hat{a}_{+}g - \hat{a}_{+}\hbar\omega \left(\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+} - \frac{1}{2}\right)g \\ &= \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+}^{2}g - \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega\hat{a}_{+}g - \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{+}\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+}g + \frac{1}{2}\hbar\omega\hat{a}_{+}g \\ &= \hbar\omega(\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+} - \hat{a}_{+}\hat{a}_{-})\hat{a}_{+}g \\ &= \hbar\omega(\hat{a}_{-}\hat{a}_{+} - \hat{a}_{+}\hat{a}_{-})\hat{a}_{+}g \\ &= \hbar\omega\hat{a}_{+}g \end{split}$$

 $[\hat{H}, \hat{a}_+] = \hbar \omega \hat{a}_+$ 

$$\begin{split} \left[x, \frac{p^2}{2m} + V\right] g &= x \left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + V\right) g - \left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + V\right) xg \\ &= x \frac{p^2}{2m} g + xVg - \frac{p^2}{2m} xg - Vxg \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} (xp^2 g - p^2 xg) \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} \left[ -\hbar^2 x \frac{d^2 g}{dx^2} + \hbar^2 \frac{d}{dx} \left(g + x \frac{dg}{dx}\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} \left[ -\hbar^2 x \frac{d^2 g}{dx^2} + \hbar^2 \left(\frac{dg}{dx} + \frac{dg}{dx} + x \frac{d^2 g}{dx^2}\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{dg}{dx} \\ \left[x, \frac{p^2}{2m} + V\right] &= \frac{\hbar^2}{m} \frac{d}{dx} \\ &= -\frac{\hbar}{im} \left\langle p \right\rangle \\ \sigma_x^2 \sigma_H^2 &\geq \left(\frac{1}{2i} \left\langle \left[x, \frac{p^2}{2m} + V\right] \right\rangle \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{4m^2} |\left\langle p \right\rangle|^2 \\ \sigma_x \sigma_H &\geq \frac{\hbar}{2m} |\left\langle p \right\rangle| \end{split}$$

This doesn't tell us much because for stationary states  $\sigma_H = 0$  and  $\langle p \rangle = 0$  so this says  $0 \ge 0$ .

$$\begin{split} \left(-i\hbar\frac{d}{dx}-\langle p\rangle\right)\Psi &= ia(x-\langle x\rangle)\Psi \\ -i\hbar\frac{d\Psi}{dx}-\langle p\rangle\,\Psi &= ia(x-\langle x\rangle)\Psi \\ \frac{d\Psi}{dx}+\frac{\langle p\rangle+ia(x-\langle x\rangle)}{i\hbar}\Psi &= 0 \\ \frac{d\Psi}{dx}+\left[\frac{a}{\hbar}(x-\langle x\rangle)-i\frac{\langle p\rangle}{\hbar}\right]\Psi &= 0 \\ \frac{d\Psi}{dx}+\frac{a}{\hbar}x\Psi-\frac{a}{\hbar}\langle x\rangle\,\Psi-i\frac{\langle p\rangle}{\hbar}\Psi &= 0 \\ \Psi &= Ae^{-ax^2/2\hbar}e^{a\langle x\rangle x/\hbar}e^{i\langle p\rangle x/\hbar} \\ &= Be^{-a(x-\langle x\rangle)^2/2\hbar}e^{i\langle p\rangle x/\hbar} \end{split}$$

(a)

$$Q = 1$$

$$\hat{Q} = 1$$

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle Q \rangle = 0$$

(b)

$$Q = H$$

$$\hat{Q} = \hat{H}$$

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] = [\hat{H}, \hat{H}]$$

$$= 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle H \rangle = 0$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} Q &= x \\ \hat{Q} &= x \\ [\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] &= [\hat{H}, x] \\ &= -i \frac{\hbar}{m} \hat{p} \\ \frac{d}{dt} \langle x \rangle &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\langle -i \frac{\hbar}{m} p \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{\langle p \rangle}{m} \end{split}$$

(d)

$$\begin{split} Q &= p \\ \hat{Q} &= \hat{p} \\ [\hat{H}, \hat{Q}] &= [\hat{H}, \hat{p}] \\ &= i\hbar \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \\ \frac{d}{dt} \langle p \rangle &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\langle i\hbar \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right\rangle \\ &= - \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right\rangle \end{split}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \langle x \rangle = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\langle p \rangle}{m} \right)$$
$$= -\frac{1}{m} \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right\rangle$$
$$= 0$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \langle x \rangle = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\langle p \rangle}{m} \right)$$
$$= -\frac{1}{m} \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right\rangle$$
$$= -\omega^2 \langle x \rangle$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \langle x \rangle + \omega^2 \langle x \rangle = 0$$
$$\langle x \rangle = A \sin \omega t + B \cos \omega t$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_1 e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} + \psi_2 e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar}) \\ \hat{H}\Psi &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (E_1 \psi_1 e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} + E_2 \psi_2 e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar}) \\ \hat{H}^2 \Psi &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (E_1^2 \psi_1 e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} + E_2^2 \psi_2 e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar}) \\ \langle H^2 \rangle &= \langle \Psi | \hat{H}^2 \Psi \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (\psi_1^* e^{iE_1 t/\hbar} + \psi_2^* e^{iE_2 t/\hbar}) (E_1^2 \psi_1 e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} + E_2^2 \psi_2 e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar}) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (E_1^2 |\psi_1|^2 + E_2^2 \psi_1^* \psi_2^* e^{i(E_1 - E_2) t/\hbar} + E_1^2 \psi_2^* \psi_1 e^{i(E_2 - E_1) t/\hbar} \\ &\quad + E_2^2 |\psi_2|^2) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (E_1^2 + E_2^2) \\ \langle H \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} (E_1 + E_2) \\ \sigma_H^2 &= \langle H^2 \rangle - \langle H \rangle^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (E_1^2 + E_2^2) - \frac{1}{4} (E_1 + E_2)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (E_2 - E_1)^2 \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \omega &= \frac{\pi^2 \hbar}{2ma^2} \\ \langle x \rangle &= \frac{a}{2} \left[ 1 - \frac{32}{9\pi^2} \cos(3\omega t) \right] \\ \langle x^2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a (\psi_1^* e^{iE_1 t/\hbar} + \psi_2^* e^{iE_2 t/\hbar}) x^2 (\psi_1 e^{-iE_1 t/\hbar} + \psi_2 e^{-iE_2 t/\hbar}) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^a x^2 (|\psi_1|^2 + \psi_1^* \psi_2 e^{i(E_1 - E_2) t/\hbar} + \psi_2^* \psi_1 e^{i(E_2 - E_1) t/\hbar} + |\psi_2|^2) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a x^2 \left[ \sin^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) + \sin^2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \right. \\ &\quad + 2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{a} x \right) \sin \left( \frac{2\pi}{a} x \right) \cos(3\omega t) \right] \, dx \\ &= \frac{a^2}{144\pi^2} [-45 + 48\pi^2 - 256 \cos(3\omega t)] \\ \sigma_x^2 &= \langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2 \\ &= \frac{a^2}{4} \left[ \frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{4\pi^2} - \left( \frac{32}{9\pi^2} \right)^2 \cos^2(3\omega t) \right] \\ \frac{d \langle x \rangle}{dt} &= \frac{16a\omega}{3\pi^2} \sin(3\omega t) \\ &= \frac{8\hbar}{3ma} \sin(3\omega t) \end{split}$$

$$\sigma_H^2 \sigma_x^2 \ge \left(\frac{\hbar}{2}\right)^2 \left|\frac{d\langle x\rangle}{dt}\right|^2$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3\pi^2\hbar^2}{2ma^2}\right)^2 \frac{a^2}{4} \left[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{4\pi^2} - \left(\frac{32}{9\pi^2}\right)^2 \cos^2(3\omega t)\right] \ge \left(\frac{\hbar}{2}\right)^2 \left[\frac{8\hbar}{3ma} \sin(3\omega t)\right]^2$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 \left[\frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{4\pi^2} - \left(\frac{32}{9\pi^2}\right)^2 \cos^2(3\omega t)\right] \ge \left(\frac{8}{3\pi^2}\right)^2 \sin^2(3\omega t)$$

$$\frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{4\pi^2} \ge \left(\frac{32}{9\pi^2}\right)^2$$

$$\begin{split} \hat{P}^2 \left| \beta \right\rangle &= \hat{P}(\hat{P} \left| \beta \right\rangle) \\ &= \hat{P}(\left\langle \alpha \middle| \beta \right\rangle \middle| \alpha \right\rangle) \\ &= \left\langle \alpha \middle| \beta \right\rangle \hat{P} \left| \alpha \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \alpha \middle| \beta \right\rangle \left( \left\langle \alpha \middle| \alpha \right\rangle \middle| \alpha \right\rangle) \\ &= \left\langle \alpha \middle| \beta \right\rangle \left| \alpha \right\rangle \\ &= \hat{P} \left| \beta \right\rangle \end{split}$$

So,  $\hat{P}^2 = \hat{P}$ .

$$\hat{P} |\beta\rangle = \lambda |\beta\rangle$$
$$\langle \alpha |\beta\rangle |\alpha\rangle = \lambda |\beta\rangle$$

If  $|\beta\rangle$  is a constant multiple of  $|\alpha\rangle$ , then

$$\langle \alpha | c\alpha \rangle | \alpha \rangle = \lambda c | \alpha \rangle$$
$$c \langle \alpha | \alpha \rangle | \alpha \rangle = \lambda c | \alpha \rangle$$
$$c | \alpha \rangle = \lambda c | \alpha \rangle$$

thus  $\lambda = 1$ .

If  $|\beta\rangle$  is orthogonal to  $|\alpha\rangle$ , then

$$\langle \alpha | \beta \rangle | \alpha \rangle = \lambda | \beta \rangle$$
  
 $0 = \lambda | \beta \rangle$ 

thus  $\lambda = 0$ .

$$\hat{Q} = \hat{Q}^{\dagger}$$

$$Q_{mn} = \langle e_m | \hat{Q} | e_n \rangle$$

$$Q_{nm} = \langle e_n | \hat{Q} | e_m \rangle$$

$$Q_{nm}^* = \langle e_n | \hat{Q} | e_m \rangle^*$$

$$= \langle e_m | \hat{Q}^{\dagger} | e_n \rangle$$

$$= \langle e_m | \hat{Q} | e_n \rangle$$

$$= Q_{mn}$$

$$\hat{H} |\alpha\rangle = \lambda |\alpha\rangle$$

$$\epsilon [(\langle 1|\alpha\rangle + \langle 2|\alpha\rangle) |1\rangle + (\langle 1|\alpha\rangle - \langle 2|\alpha\rangle) |2\rangle] = \lambda (\langle 1|\alpha\rangle |1\rangle + \langle 2|\alpha\rangle |2\rangle)$$

From this we get two equations

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon(\langle 1|\alpha\rangle + \langle 2|\alpha\rangle) &= \lambda \, \langle 1|\alpha\rangle \\ \epsilon(\langle 1|\alpha\rangle) - \langle 2|\alpha\rangle) &= \lambda \, \langle 2|\alpha\rangle \end{aligned}$$

If we let  $|\alpha\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$  then this becomes

$$\epsilon(a+b) = \lambda a$$
$$\epsilon(a-b) = \lambda b$$

or in matrix form

$$\epsilon \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues of this matrix are  $\lambda = \pm \sqrt{2}\epsilon$  and the eigenvectors are  $|1\rangle + (\sqrt{2} \pm 1)|2\rangle$ .

## 3.26

(a)

$$\langle \alpha | = -i \langle 1 | -2 \langle 2 | + i \langle 3 |$$
$$\langle \beta | = -i \langle 1 | + 2 \langle 3 |$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} \langle \alpha | \beta \rangle &= (-i \, \langle 1| - 2 \, \langle 2| + i \, \langle 3|)(i \, | 1\rangle + 2 \, | 3\rangle) \\ &= \langle 1|1\rangle - 2i \, \langle 1|3\rangle - 2i \, \langle 2|1\rangle - 4 \, \langle 2|3\rangle - \langle 3|1\rangle + 2i \, \langle 3|3\rangle \\ &= 1 + 2i \\ \langle \beta | \alpha \rangle &= (-i \, \langle 1| + 2 \, \langle 3|)(i \, | 1\rangle - 2 \, | 2\rangle - i \, | 3\rangle) \\ &= \langle 1|1\rangle + 2i \, \langle 1|2\rangle - \langle 1|3\rangle + 2i \, \langle 3|1\rangle - 4 \, \langle 3|2\rangle - 2i \, \langle 3|3\rangle \\ &= 1 - 2i \\ &= \langle \alpha | \beta \rangle^* \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \hat{A} &= |\alpha\rangle \left\langle \beta \right| \\ \hat{A} \left| 1 \right\rangle &= |\alpha\rangle \left\langle \beta \right| 1 \right\rangle \\ &= |\alpha\rangle \left\langle 1 \middle| \beta \right\rangle^* \\ &= -i \left| \alpha \right\rangle \\ &= |1\rangle + 2i \left| 2 \right\rangle - |3\rangle \\ A_{11} &= \left\langle 1 \middle| \hat{A} \middle| 1 \right\rangle \\ &= 1 \\ A_{21} &= 2i \\ A_{31} &= -1 \\ \hat{A} \left| 2 \right\rangle &= |\alpha\rangle \left\langle \beta \middle| 2 \right\rangle \\ &= |\alpha\rangle \left\langle 2 \middle| \beta \right\rangle^* \\ &= 0 \\ A_{12} &= 0 \\ A_{22} &= 0 \\ A_{32} &= 0 \\ \hat{A} \left| 3 \right\rangle &= |\alpha\rangle \left\langle \beta \middle| 3 \right\rangle \\ &= |\alpha\rangle \left\langle 3 \middle| \beta \right\rangle^* \\ &= 2 \left| \alpha \right\rangle \\ &= 2i \left| 1 \right\rangle - 4 \left| 2 \right\rangle - 2i \left| 3 \right\rangle \\ A_{13} &= 2i \\ A_{23} &= -4 \\ A_{33} &= -2i \\ A &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2i \\ 2i & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 0 & -2i \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

It's not hermitian.

(a)

$$\hat{Q} |\alpha\rangle = \hat{Q} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \langle e_n | \alpha \rangle |e_n\rangle$$

$$= \hat{Q} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |e_n\rangle \langle e_n| \right) |\alpha\rangle$$

$$= \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \hat{Q} |e_n\rangle \langle e_n| \right) |\alpha\rangle$$

$$= \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_n |e_n\rangle \langle e_n| \right) |\alpha\rangle$$

$$\hat{Q} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_n |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|$$

(b)

$$\hat{Q} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_n |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|$$

$$\hat{Q}^2 = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_n |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|\right) \left(\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} q_l |e_l\rangle \langle e_l|\right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} q_n q_l |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|e_l\rangle \langle e_l|$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_n^2 |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|$$

$$e^{\hat{Q}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{q_n} |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{q_n^k}{k!}\right) |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} q_n^k |e_n\rangle \langle e_n|\right)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \hat{Q}^k$$

$$= 1 + \hat{Q} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{Q}^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \hat{Q}^3 + \cdots$$

(a)

$$\sin \hat{D} = \hat{D} - \frac{D^3}{3!} + \frac{\hat{D}^5}{5!} - \frac{\hat{D}^7}{7!} + \cdots$$
$$(\sin \hat{D})x^5 = 5x^4 - 10x^2 + 1$$

(b)

$$\frac{1}{1-\hat{D}/2} = 1 + \frac{\hat{D}}{2} + \left(\frac{\hat{D}}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\hat{D}}{2}\right)^3 + \cdots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{\hat{D}}{2} + \frac{\hat{D}^2}{4} + \frac{\hat{D}^3}{8} + \cdots$$

$$\frac{1}{1-\hat{D}/2}\cos x = \cos x - \frac{1}{2}\sin x - \frac{1}{4}\cos x + \frac{1}{8}\sin x + \cdots$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{32} + \cdots\right)\sin x + \left(1 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16} - \cdots\right)\cos x$$

$$= -\frac{2}{5}\sin x + \frac{4}{5}\cos x$$

$$c_n(t) = \langle n|S(t)\rangle$$

$$= \langle n | \int dx |x\rangle \langle x| | S(t)\rangle$$

$$= \int \langle n|x\rangle \langle x|S(t)\rangle dx$$

$$= \int \langle x|n\rangle^* \Psi(x,t) dx$$

$$= \int \psi_n(x)^* \Psi(x,t) dx$$

$$|e_{1}\rangle = 1$$

$$\langle e_{1}|e_{1}\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} dx$$

$$= 2$$

$$|e'_{1}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$|e_{2}\rangle = x$$

$$\langle e'_{1}|e_{2}\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\frac{1}{2}x^{2}\right]_{-1}^{1}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\langle e_{2}|e_{2}\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} x^{2} dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{3}x^{3}\right]_{-1}^{1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}$$

$$|e'_{2}\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x$$

$$|e_{3}\rangle = x^{2}$$

$$\langle e'_{1}|e_{3}\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^{2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\frac{1}{3}x^{3}\right]_{-1}^{1}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

$$\langle e'_{2}|e_{3}\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x^{3} dx$$

$$= 0$$

$$|e'_{3}\rangle = x^{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}|e'_{1}\rangle$$

$$= x^{2} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\langle e_3'|e_3'\rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \left(x^4 - \frac{2}{3}x^2 + \frac{1}{9}\right) dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{2}{9}x^3 + \frac{1}{9}x\right]_{-1}^1$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} - \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2}{9}$$

$$= \frac{18}{45} - \frac{20}{45} + \frac{10}{45}$$

$$= \frac{8}{45}$$

$$|e_3''\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{45}{8}} \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$|e_4\rangle = x^3$$

$$\langle e_1'|e_4\rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^3 dx$$

$$= 0$$

$$\langle e_2'|e_4\rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x^4 dx$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \left[\frac{1}{5}x^5\right]$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{5}$$

$$\langle e_3''|e_4\rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)x^3 dx$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{3}{2}x^5 - \frac{1}{2}x^3\right) dx$$

$$= 0$$

$$|e_4'\rangle = |e_4\rangle - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{5} |e_2'\rangle$$

$$= x^3 - \frac{3}{5}x$$

$$\begin{split} \langle e_4'|e_4'\rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 \left(x^3 - \frac{3}{5}x\right)^2 dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 \left(x^6 - \frac{6}{5}x^4 + \frac{9}{25}x^2\right) dx \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{7}x^7 - \frac{6}{25}x^5 + \frac{3}{25}x^3\right]_{-1}^1 \\ &= \frac{2}{7} - \frac{12}{25} + \frac{6}{25} \\ &= \frac{50}{175} - \frac{84}{175} + \frac{42}{175} \\ &= \frac{8}{175} \\ &|e_4''\rangle &= \sqrt{\frac{175}{8}} \left(x^3 - \frac{3}{5}x\right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{7}{2}} \left(\frac{5}{2}x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x\right) \end{split}$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} \langle \hat{Q} \rangle &= \langle \Psi | \hat{Q} | \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle \Psi | \hat{Q}^{\dagger} | \Psi \rangle^* \\ &= - \langle \Psi | \hat{Q} | \Psi \rangle^* \\ &= - \langle \hat{Q} \rangle^* \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} \hat{Q} \, |\psi\rangle &= \lambda \, |\psi\rangle \\ \langle \psi | \hat{Q} | \psi\rangle &= \langle \psi | \lambda | \psi\rangle \\ &= \lambda \, \langle \psi | \psi\rangle \\ \langle \psi | \hat{Q} | \psi\rangle^* &= \lambda^* \, \langle \psi | \psi\rangle^* \\ \langle \psi | \hat{Q}^\dagger | \psi\rangle &= \lambda^* \, \langle \psi | \psi\rangle \\ - \langle \psi | \hat{Q} | \psi\rangle &= \lambda^* \, \langle \psi | \psi\rangle \\ \langle \psi | \hat{Q} | \psi\rangle &= -\lambda^* \, \langle \psi | \psi\rangle \\ \hat{Q} \, |\psi\rangle &= -\lambda^* \, |\psi\rangle \end{split}$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} \hat{Q} \left| f \right\rangle &= \lambda_1 \left| f \right\rangle \\ \hat{Q} \left| g \right\rangle &= \lambda_2 \left| g \right\rangle \\ \left\langle g \middle| \hat{Q} \middle| f \right\rangle &= \left\langle g \middle| \lambda_1 \middle| f \right\rangle \\ &= \lambda_1 \left\langle g \middle| f \right\rangle \\ \left\langle f \middle| \hat{Q}^\dagger \middle| g \right\rangle &= \lambda_1^* \left\langle f \middle| g \right\rangle \\ - \left\langle f \middle| \hat{Q} \middle| g \right\rangle &= \lambda_1^* \left\langle f \middle| g \right\rangle \\ \left\langle f \middle| \lambda_2 \middle| g \right\rangle &= -\lambda_1^* \left\langle f \middle| g \right\rangle \\ \lambda_2 \left\langle f \middle| g \right\rangle &= -\lambda_1^* \left\langle f \middle| g \right\rangle \\ \lambda_2 &= -\lambda_1^* \\ \lambda_2 &= \lambda_1 \\ \left\langle f \middle| g \right\rangle &= 0 \end{split}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] &= \hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{B}\hat{A} \\ [\hat{A}, \hat{B}]^{\dagger} &= (\hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{B}\hat{A})^{\dagger} \\ &= \hat{A}^{\dagger}\hat{B}^{\dagger} - \hat{B}^{\dagger}\hat{A}^{\dagger} \\ &= -(\hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{B}\hat{A}) \\ &= -[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] \\ [\hat{A}, \hat{B}]^{\dagger} &= \hat{A}^{\dagger}\hat{B}^{\dagger} - \hat{B}^{\dagger}\hat{A}^{\dagger} \\ &= -(\hat{A}\hat{B} - \hat{B}\hat{A}) \\ &= -[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] \end{aligned}$$

(e)

$$\begin{split} \hat{Q} & |q_n\rangle = \lambda_n |q_n\rangle \\ &= (x+iy) |q_n\rangle \\ &= x |q_n\rangle + iy |q_n\rangle \\ &= \hat{X} |q_n\rangle + \hat{Y} |q_n\rangle \\ &= (\hat{X} + \hat{Y}) |q_n\rangle \end{split}$$

- (a)  $\psi_1$
- (b)  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  with  $P(b_1) = \frac{9}{25}$  and  $P(b_2) = \frac{16}{25}$ .

(c)

$$\phi_{1} = \frac{3}{5}\psi_{1} + \frac{4}{5}\psi_{2}$$

$$\phi_{2} = \frac{4}{5}\psi_{1} - \frac{3}{5}\psi_{2}$$

$$P(a_{1}) = P(b_{1})\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{2} + P(b_{2})\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{9}{25}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{16}{25}\right)^{2}$$

$$= \frac{337}{625}$$

$$\approx 53.9\%$$

3.34

(a)

$$\begin{split} \Phi_n(p,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_0^a e^{-ipx/\hbar} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) e^{-iE_nt/\hbar} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi\hbar a}} e^{-iE_nt/\hbar} \int_0^a e^{-ipx/\hbar} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{a}x\right) \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{a\pi}{\hbar}} \frac{ne^{-iE_nt/\hbar}}{(n\pi)^2 - (ap/\hbar)^2} [1 - (-1)^n e^{-ipa/\hbar}] \end{split}$$

(b)

$$|\Phi_n(p,t)|^2 = \frac{a\pi}{\hbar} \frac{4n^2}{[(n\pi)^2 - (ap/\hbar)^2]^2} \begin{cases} \cos^2\left(\frac{a}{2\hbar}p\right) & n \text{ odd} \\ \sin^2\left(\frac{a}{2\hbar}p\right) & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,0) &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n\lambda}} e^{i2\pi x/\lambda} & -n\lambda < x < n\lambda \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ \Phi(p,0) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{-ipx/\hbar} \Psi(x,0) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi\hbar n\lambda}} \int_{-n\lambda}^{n\lambda} e^{i(2\pi/\lambda - p/\hbar)x} \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi\hbar n\lambda}} \frac{1}{i(2\pi/\lambda - p/\hbar)} \left[ e^{i(2\pi/\lambda - p/\hbar)x} \right]_{-n\lambda}^{n\lambda} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi\hbar n\lambda}} \frac{1}{i(2\pi/\lambda - p/\hbar)} e^{i(2\pi/\lambda - p/\hbar)n\lambda} - e^{-i(2\pi/\lambda - p/\hbar)n\lambda} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi\hbar n\lambda}} \frac{1}{2\pi/\lambda - p/\hbar} \sin \left[ \left( \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} - \frac{p}{\hbar} \right) n\lambda \right] \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\lambda\hbar}{n\pi}} \frac{1}{\lambda p - 2\pi\hbar} \sin \left( \frac{n\lambda}{\hbar} p \right) \\ w_x &= 2n\lambda \\ w_p &= \frac{2\pi\hbar}{n\lambda} \end{split}$$

As  $n \to \infty$ ,  $w_x \to \infty$  and  $w_p \to 0$ .

$$w_x w_p = 2n\lambda \frac{2\pi\hbar}{n\lambda}$$
$$= 4\pi\hbar$$
$$\geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

3.36

$$\begin{split} 1 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{A}{x^2 + a^2}\right)^2 dx \\ &= |A|^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2 + a^2)^2} dx \\ &= \frac{\pi |A|^2}{2a^3} \\ A &= a \sqrt{\frac{2a}{\pi}} \end{split}$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \langle \Psi | x | \Psi \rangle$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* x \Psi \, dx$$

$$= \frac{a^3}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2x}{(x^2 + a^2)^2} \, dx$$

$$u = x^2 + a^2$$

$$du = 2x \, dx$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{a^3}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{u^2}$$

$$= \frac{a^3}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{u} \right]_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \langle \Psi | x^2 \Psi \rangle$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* x^2 \Psi \, dx$$

$$= \frac{2a^3}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(x^2 + a^2)^2} \, dx$$

$$= a^2$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$= a$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} \Phi(x,0) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{-ipx/\hbar} a \sqrt{\frac{2a}{\pi}} \frac{1}{x^2 + a^2} \, dx \\ &= \frac{a\sqrt{a}}{\pi\sqrt{\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ipx/\hbar} \frac{1}{x^2 + a^2} \, dx \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{a}{\hbar}} e^{-|p|a/\hbar} \\ \frac{a}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2|p|a/\hbar} \, dp &= 1 \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \langle p \rangle &= \langle \Phi | p | \Phi \rangle \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi^* p \Psi \, dp \\ &= \frac{a}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p e^{-2|p|a/\hbar} \, dp \\ &= 0 \\ \langle p^2 \rangle &= \frac{a}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p^2 e^{-2|p|a/\hbar} \, dp \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2}{2a^2} \\ \sigma_p &= \sqrt{\langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2} \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{2}a} \end{split}$$

# (e)

$$\sigma_x \sigma_p = \frac{\hbar}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$\geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

### 3.37

$$\begin{split} [\hat{H},xp] &= x[\hat{H},p] + [\hat{H},x]p \\ &= i\hbar x \frac{dV}{dx} - \frac{i\hbar p^2}{m} \\ \frac{d}{dt} \langle xp \rangle &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [\hat{H},xp] \rangle \\ &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \left\langle i\hbar x \frac{dV}{dx} - \frac{i\hbar p^2}{m} \right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{p^2}{m} \right\rangle - \left\langle x \frac{dV}{dx} \right\rangle \\ &= 2 \langle T \rangle - \left\langle x \frac{dV}{dx} \right\rangle \end{split}$$

The left hand side is 0 because expectation values are constant in stationary states.

$$V = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 x^2$$

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = m\omega^2 x$$

$$x\frac{dV}{dx} = m\omega^2 x$$

$$= 2V$$

$$2\langle T \rangle = \left\langle x\frac{dV}{dx} \right\rangle$$

$$= \langle 2V \rangle$$

$$= 2\langle V \rangle$$

$$\langle T \rangle = \langle V \rangle$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,0) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_1 + \psi_2) \\ \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_1 e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} + \psi_2 e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}) \\ 0 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x,0) \Psi(x,t) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\psi_1 + \psi_2) (\psi_1 e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} + \psi_2 e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\psi_1^2 e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} + \psi_1 \psi_2 e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} + e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}) \\ &= e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} + e^{-iE_2t/\hbar} \\ e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} &= e^{\pi i} e^{-iE_2t/\hbar} \\ &= e^{\pi i} e^{-iE_2t/\hbar} \\ &= e^{\pi i} e^{-iE_2t/\hbar} \\ &= \frac{\pi \hbar}{\hbar} \\ t &= \frac{\pi \hbar}{E_2 - E_1} \\ \Delta t &= \frac{\hbar}{E_2 - E_1} \\ \Delta E &= \frac{1}{2} (E_2 - E_1) \\ \Delta E \Delta t &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \Psi &= \frac{e^{i\theta_0}}{\sqrt{2}} \psi_0 e^{-i\omega t/2} + \frac{e^{i\theta_1}}{\sqrt{2}} \psi_1 e^{-3i\omega t/2} \\ \langle p \rangle &= \langle \Psi | p | \Psi \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \psi_0 | p | \psi_0 \right\rangle + \frac{1}{2} e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_0)} e^{-i\omega t} \left\langle \psi_0 | p | \psi_1 \right\rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} e^{i(\theta_0 - \theta_1)} e^{i\omega t} \left\langle \psi_1 | p | \psi_0 \right\rangle + \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \psi_1 | p | \psi_1 \right\rangle \\ \langle \psi_0 | p | \psi_0 \rangle &= \frac{d}{dt} \left\langle \psi_0 | x | \psi_0 \right\rangle \\ &= 0 \\ \langle \psi_1 | p | \psi_1 \rangle &= \frac{d}{dt} \left\langle \psi_1 | x | \psi_1 \right\rangle \\ &= 0 \\ \langle p \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_0 - \omega t)} \left\langle \psi_0 | p | \psi_1 \right\rangle + \frac{1}{2} e^{-i(\theta_1 - \theta_0 - \omega t)} \left\langle \psi_1 | p | \psi_0 \right\rangle \\ \langle \psi_0 | p | \psi_1 \rangle &= -i \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}} \\ \langle \psi_1 | p | \psi_0 \rangle &= i \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}} \\ \langle p \rangle &= -\frac{1}{2} i e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_0 - \omega t)} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} i e^{-i(\theta_1 - \theta_0 - \omega t)} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} i \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}} (e^{i(\theta_1 - \theta_0 - \omega t)} - e^{-i(\theta_1 - \theta_0 - \omega t)}) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}} \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_0 - \omega t) \end{split}$$

The largest possible value of  $\langle p \rangle$  is  $\sqrt{\hbar m \omega/2}$ . If it takes on this value at t=0 then

$$\Psi(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}e^{-i\omega t/2}(\psi_0 + i\psi_1 e^{-i\omega t}).$$

(a)

$$\begin{split} |z|^2 &= \operatorname{Re}(z)^2 + \operatorname{Im}(z)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{z+z^*}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{z-z^*}{2i}\right)^2 \\ \sigma_A^2 \sigma_B^2 &\geq \left(\frac{\langle f|g\rangle + \langle g|f\rangle}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\langle f|g\rangle - \langle g|f\rangle}{2i}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\langle \hat{A}\hat{B}\rangle + \langle \hat{B}\hat{A}\rangle - 2\langle A\rangle\langle B\rangle}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\langle [\hat{A},\hat{B}]\rangle}{2i}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4}[\langle -i[\hat{A},\hat{B}]\rangle^2 + (\langle \hat{A}\hat{B}\rangle + \langle \hat{B}\hat{A}\rangle - 2\langle A\rangle\langle B\rangle)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(\langle C\rangle^2 + \langle D\rangle^2) \end{split}$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} B &= A \\ \hat{C} &= -i[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] \\ &= 0 \\ \hat{D} &= 2(\hat{A}^2 - \langle A \rangle^2) \\ \langle D \rangle &= \langle \Psi | D | \Psi \rangle \\ &= \langle \Psi | 2(\hat{A}^2 - \langle A \rangle^2) | \Psi \rangle \\ &= 2(\langle \Psi | \hat{A}^2 | \Psi \rangle - \langle A \rangle^2) \\ &= 2(\langle A^2 \rangle - \langle A \rangle^2) \\ &= 2\sigma_A^2 \\ \sigma_A^2 \sigma_B^2 &= \frac{1}{4}(\langle C \rangle^2 + \langle D \rangle^2) \\ \sigma_A^4 &\geq \sigma_A^4 \end{split}$$

3.44

(a) The eigenvalues of  ${\bf H}$  are  $a-b,\,a+b,$  and c and the associated eigenvectors

are 
$$\begin{pmatrix} -1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}$$
,  $\begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}$ , respectively.

$$|S(t)\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix} e^{-ict/\hbar}$$

(b)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|S(t)\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-i(a+b)t/\hbar} - \begin{pmatrix} -1\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-i(a-b)t/\hbar} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{-iat/\hbar} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-ibt/\hbar} + e^{ibt/\hbar}\\0\\e^{-ibt/\hbar} - e^{ibt/\hbar} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= e^{-iat/\hbar} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(bt/\hbar)\\0\\-i\sin(bt/\hbar) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle n|\hat{x}|S(t)\rangle = \left\langle n \left| \hat{x} \sum_{n'=0}^{\infty} |n'\rangle \langle n'| \right| S(t) \right\rangle$$

$$= \sum_{n'=0}^{\infty} \langle n|\hat{x}|n'\rangle \langle n'|S(t)\rangle$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \sum_{n'=0}^{\infty} (\sqrt{n'}\delta_{n,n'-1} + \sqrt{n}\delta_{n',n-1})c_{n'}(t)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} [\sqrt{n+1}c_{n+1}(t) + \sqrt{n}c_{n-1}(t)]$$

$$h_{1} = \hbar\omega$$

$$h_{2} = 2\hbar\omega$$

$$h_{3} = 2\hbar\omega$$

$$|h_{1}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|h_{2}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|h_{3}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a_{1} = 2\lambda$$

$$a_{2} = \lambda$$

$$a_{3} = -\lambda$$

$$|a_{1}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|a_{2}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|a_{3}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b_{1} = 2\mu$$

$$b_{2} = \mu$$

$$b_{3} = -\mu$$

$$|b_{1}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|b_{2}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|b_{3}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) 
$$\langle H \rangle = \langle S(0)|H|S(0) \rangle$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} c_1^* & c_2^* & c_3^* \end{pmatrix} \hbar \omega \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \hbar \omega \begin{pmatrix} c_1^* & c_2^* & c_3^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ 2c_2 \\ 2c_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \hbar \omega (|c_1|^2 + 2|c_2|^2 + 2|c_3|^2)$$

$$\langle A \rangle = \lambda (c_1^* c_2 + c_2^* c_1 + 2|c_3|^2)$$

$$\langle B \rangle = \mu (2|c_1|^2 + c_2^* c_3 + c_3^* c_2)$$

(c) 
$$|S(t)\rangle = c_1 |h_1\rangle e^{-i\omega t} + c_2 |h_2\rangle e^{-2i\omega t} + c_3 |h_3\rangle e^{-2i\omega t}$$

You could measure H as  $\hbar\omega$  with probability  $|c_1|^2$  or  $2\hbar\omega$  with probability  $|c_2|^2+|c_3|^2.$ 

# 4 Quantum Mechanics in Three Dimensions

## 4.1

$$\begin{split} [r_i,r_j] &= 0 \\ [p_i,p_j] &= 0 \\ [x,p_x]f &= x \left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)f - \left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)(xf) \\ &= -i\hbar x\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + i\hbar\left(f + x\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right) \\ &= i\hbar f \\ [p_x,x] &= \left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)(xf) - x\left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)f \\ &= -i\hbar\left(f + x\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right) + i\hbar x\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ &= -i\hbar f \\ [x,p_y] &= x\left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)f - \left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)(xf) \\ &= -i\hbar x\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + i\hbar x\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \\ &= 0 \\ [r_i,p_j] &= i\hbar\delta_{ij} \\ [p_i,r_j] &= -i\hbar\delta_{ij} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} [\hat{H},x]f &= \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + V\right)(xf) - x\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + V\right)f \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(f + x\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(x\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(z\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}\right)\right] \\ &+ Vxf + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m}x\nabla^2 f - Vxf \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\left(2\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + x\nabla^2 f\right) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m}x\nabla^2 f \\ &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{m}\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ [\hat{H},x] &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{m}\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ [\hat{H},x] &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{m}\nabla \\ \frac{d}{dt}\left\langle \mathbf{r}\right\rangle &= \frac{i}{\hbar}\left\langle [\hat{H},\mathbf{r}]\right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m}\left\langle -i\hbar\nabla\right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m}\left\langle -i\hbar\nabla\right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m}\left\langle \mathbf{p}\right\rangle \\ [\hat{H},\hat{p}_x]f &= \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + V\right)\left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)f - \left(-i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + V\right)f \\ &= -i\hbar\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 + V\right)\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + i\hbar\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2 f + Vf\right) \\ &= i\frac{\hbar^3}{2m}\nabla^2\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - i\hbar V\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - i\frac{\hbar^3}{2m}\nabla^2\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + i\hbar\left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}f + V\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right) \\ &= i\hbar\frac{\partial V}{\partial x}f \\ [\hat{H},\hat{\mathbf{p}}] &= i\hbar\nabla V \\ \frac{d}{dt}\left\langle \mathbf{p}\right\rangle &= \frac{i}{\hbar}\left\langle [\hat{H},\mathbf{p}]\right\rangle \\ &= \left\langle -\nabla V\right\rangle \end{split}$$

(c)

$$\begin{split} \sigma_{r_i}\sigma_{p_j} &\geq \frac{1}{2i} \left\langle [r_i,p_j] \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} i \hbar \delta_{ij} \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \delta_{ij} \end{split}$$

4.2

(a)

$$\begin{split} \psi(\mathbf{r}) &= X(x)Y(y)Z(z) \\ &- \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi = E \psi \\ &- \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial x^2} YZ + X \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial y^2} Z + X Y \frac{\partial^2 Z}{\partial z^2} \right) = E X Y Z \\ &\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} + \frac{Z''}{Z} = -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E \end{split}$$

The terms on the left hand side are each functions of a different variable, so they must be constant. Starting with the X term:

$$\frac{X''}{X} = -\alpha$$
$$X'' + \alpha X = 0$$

If  $\alpha < 0$ 

$$X = A_x e^{\sqrt{-\alpha}x} + B_x e^{-\sqrt{-\alpha}x}$$

If  $\alpha = 0$ 

$$X = A_x x + B_x$$

If  $\alpha > 0$ 

$$X = A_x \sin(\sqrt{\alpha}x) + B_x \cos(\sqrt{\alpha}x)$$

Boundary conditions require that  $\alpha > 0$ . X(0) = 0 so  $B_x = 0$ . X(a) = 0 so  $\sqrt{\alpha} = n_x \pi/a \Rightarrow \alpha = n_x^2 \pi^2/a^2$ ,

$$X = A_x \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi}{a}x\right).$$

Repeating the above for Y and Z finds

$$Y = A_y \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi}{a}y\right)$$
$$Z = A_z \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi}{a}z\right)$$

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$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = A_x A_y A_z \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi}{a} x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi}{a} y\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi}{a} z\right).$$

Assuming  $A_x = A_y = A_z = A$  and normalising finds

$$1 = \int_0^a \int_0^a \int_0^a A^6 \sin^2\left(\frac{n_x \pi}{a}x\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{n_y \pi}{a}y\right) \sin^2\left(\frac{n_z \pi}{a}z\right) d^3 \mathbf{r}$$

$$= A^6 \frac{a^3}{8}$$

$$A^6 = \frac{8}{a^3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{a}\right)^3$$

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}}$$

so

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \left(\frac{2}{a}\right)^{3/2} \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi}{a}x\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi}{a}y\right) \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi}{a}z\right).$$

Finally

$$-\frac{2m}{\hbar^2}E = -\alpha - \beta - \gamma$$

$$= -\frac{\pi^2 n_x^2}{a^2} - \frac{\pi^2 n_y^2}{a^2} - \frac{\pi^2 n_z^2}{a^2}$$

$$E = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2), n_x, n_y, n_z = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

(b)

$$E_{1} = 3\frac{\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}, n = 1$$

$$E_{2} = 6\frac{\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}, n = 3$$

$$E_{3} = 9\frac{\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}, n = 3$$

$$E_{4} = 11\frac{\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}, n = 3$$

$$E_{5} = 12\frac{\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}, n = 1$$

$$E_{6} = 14\frac{\pi^{2}\hbar^{2}}{2ma^{2}}, n = 6$$

(c)

$$E_{14} = 27 \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2}$$
$$d = 4$$

(a)

$$\phi(r,\theta,\phi) = Ae^{-r/a}$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} = -\frac{A}{a}e^{-r/a}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( -\frac{A}{a}r^2 e^{-r/a} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{A}{a} \left( 2re^{-r/a} - \frac{1}{a}r^2 e^{-r/a} \right)$$

$$= \frac{A}{a^2}r^2 \left( 1 - \frac{2a}{r} \right) e^{-r/a}$$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} = 0$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{A}{a^2} \left( 1 - \frac{2a}{r} \right) e^{-r/a} + V(r)Ae^{-r/a} = EAe^{-r/a}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \left( 1 - \frac{2a}{r} \right) + V(r) = E$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} = E$$

$$V(r) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{mar}$$

(b)

$$\begin{split} \phi(r,\theta,\phi) &= Ae^{-r^2/a^2} \\ \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} &= -\frac{2}{a^2} r A e^{-r^2/a^2} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( -\frac{2}{a^2} r^3 A e^{-r^2/a^2} \right) \\ &= -\frac{2A}{a^2} \left( 3r^2 e^{-r^2/a^2} - \frac{2}{a^2} r^4 e^{-r^2/a^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{2A}{a^2} r^2 \left( \frac{2}{a^2} r^2 - 3 \right) e^{-r^2/a^2} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{2A}{a^2}\left(\frac{2}{a^2}r^2-3\right)e^{-r^2/a^2} + V(r)Ae^{-r^2/a^2} &= EAe^{-r^2/a^2} \\ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{2}{a^2}\left(\frac{2}{a^2}r^2-3\right) + V(r) &= E \\ \frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{2}{a^2}3 &= E \\ \frac{3\hbar^2}{ma^2} &= E \\ \frac{3\hbar^2}{ma^2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{2}{a^2}\left(\frac{2}{a^2}r^2-3\right) &= V(r) \\ \frac{2\hbar^2}{ma^4}r^2 &= V(r) \end{split}$$

$$Y_0^0 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$Y_2^1 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6\pi}}e^{i\phi}P_2^1(\cos\theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6\pi}}e^{i\phi}(-1)^1(1-\cos^2\theta)^{1/2}\left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)P_2(\cos\theta)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6\pi}}e^{i\phi}\sin\theta\left(\frac{d\theta}{dx}\frac{d}{d\theta}\right)\frac{1}{2}(3\cos^2\theta - 1)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6\pi}}e^{i\phi}\sin\theta\left(-\frac{1}{\sin\theta}\right)(-6\cos\theta\sin\theta)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}}e^{i\phi}\sin\theta\cos\theta$$

$$\int |Y_0^0|^2d\Omega = \frac{1}{4\pi}\int_0^{\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}\sin\theta\,d\theta\,d\phi$$

$$= 1$$

$$\int |Y_2^1|^2d\Omega = \frac{15}{8\pi}\int_0^{\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}\sin^3\theta\cos^2\theta\,d\theta\,d\phi$$

$$= 1$$

$$\int (Y_0^0)^*Y_2^1d\Omega = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}}\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}}\int_0^{\pi}\int_0^{2\pi}e^{i\phi}\sin^2\theta\cos\theta\,d\theta\,d\phi$$

$$= 0$$

$$\begin{split} \Theta(\theta) &= A \ln \left( \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\ 0 &= \sin \theta \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{d\Theta}{d\theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} A \sin \theta \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \csc \frac{\theta}{2} \sec \frac{\theta}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} A \sin \theta \left( \cos \theta \csc \frac{\theta}{2} \sec \frac{\theta}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \csc^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \theta \right) \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

It's not a valid physical solution because it blows up at  $\theta = 0$  and  $\theta = \pi$ .

$$\begin{split} Y_{\ell}^{-m} &= \sqrt{\frac{(2\ell+1)}{4\pi} \frac{(\ell+m)!}{(\ell-m)!}} e^{-im\phi} P_{\ell}^{-m}(\cos\theta) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(2\ell+1)}{4\pi} \frac{(\ell+m)!}{(\ell-m)!}} e^{-im\phi} (-1)^m \frac{(\ell-m)!}{(\ell+m)!} P_{\ell}^m(\cos\theta) \\ &= (-1)^m \sqrt{\frac{(2\ell+1)}{4\pi} \frac{(\ell-m)!}{(\ell+m)!}} e^{-im\phi} P_{\ell}^m(\cos\theta) \\ &= (-1)^m (Y_{\ell}^m)^* \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} Y_3^2(\theta,\phi) &= \sqrt{\frac{7}{480\pi}} e^{2i\phi} P_3^2(\cos\theta) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{105}{2\pi}} e^{2i\phi} \sin^2\theta \cos\theta \\ Y_\ell^\ell(\theta,\phi) &= \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi(2\ell)!}} e^{i\ell\phi} P_\ell^\ell(\cos\theta) \\ P_\ell^\ell(x) &= (-1)^\ell (1-x^2)^{\ell/2} \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^\ell P_\ell(x) \\ &= (-1)^\ell (1-x^2)^{\ell/2} \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^\ell \left[\frac{1}{2^\ell \ell!} \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^\ell (x^2-1)^\ell\right] \\ &= (-1)^\ell \frac{1}{2^\ell \ell!} (1-x^2)^{\ell/2} \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^{2\ell} (x^2-1)^\ell \\ &= (-1)^\ell \frac{(2\ell)!}{2^\ell \ell!} (1-x^2)^{\ell/2} \\ Y_\ell^\ell(\theta,\phi) &= \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi(2\ell)!}} e^{i\ell\phi} (-1)^\ell \frac{(2\ell)!}{2^\ell \ell!} (1-\cos^2\theta)^{\ell/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\ell!} \sqrt{\frac{(2\ell+1)!}{4\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{2} e^{i\phi} \sin\theta\right)^\ell \end{split}$$

(a)

$$n_1(x) = -(-x)\left(\frac{1}{x}\frac{d}{dx}\right)\frac{\cos x}{x}$$

$$= -\frac{\sin x}{x} - \frac{\cos x}{x^2}$$

$$n_2(x) = -(-x)^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\frac{d}{dx}\right)^2\frac{\cos x}{x}$$

$$= -x^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\frac{d}{dx}\right)\left[\frac{1}{x}\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\cos x}{x}\right)\right]$$

$$= -x^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\frac{d}{dx}\right)\left[\frac{1}{x}\left(-\frac{\sin x}{x} - \frac{\cos x}{x^2}\right)\right]$$

$$= x\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\sin x}{x^2} + \frac{\cos x}{x^3}\right)$$

$$= x\left(\frac{\cos x}{x^2} - \frac{2\sin x}{x^3} - \frac{\sin x}{x^3} - \frac{3\cos x}{x^4}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{3}{x^3}\right)\cos x - \frac{3\sin x}{x^2}$$

(b)

$$n_1(x) \approx -\frac{x}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$= -1 - \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$n_2(x) \approx \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{3}{x^3}\right) - \frac{3}{x^2}x$$

$$= -\frac{2}{x} - \frac{3}{x^3}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{d^2u}{dr^2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{2}{r^2}u = Eu$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dr^2} - \frac{2}{r^2}u = -\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}u$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dr^2} = \left(\frac{2}{r^2} - k^2\right)u$$

$$j_1(kr) = \frac{\sin(kr)}{(kr)^2} - \frac{\cos(kr)}{kr}$$

$$u = Arj_1(kr)$$

$$= Ar\left[\frac{\sin(kr)}{(kr)^2} - \frac{\cos(kr)}{kr}\right]$$

$$\frac{du}{dr} = A \left[ \frac{\sin(kr)}{(kr)^2} - \frac{\cos(kr)}{kr} \right]$$

$$+ Ar \left[ \frac{k\cos(kr)}{(kr)^2} - \frac{2\sin(kr)}{k^2r^3} + \frac{k\sin(kr)}{kr} + \frac{\cos(kr)}{kr^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{A}{kr} \left[ \frac{\sin(kr)}{kr} - \cos(kr) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{A}{k} \left[ \frac{2\cos(kr)}{r} - \frac{2\sin(kr)}{kr^2} + k\sin(kr) \right]$$

$$\frac{d^2u}{dr^2} = \frac{A(-2 + k^2r^2)(kr\cos(kr) - \sin(kr))}{k^2r^3}$$

$$= \frac{2 - k^2r^2}{r^2} Ar \left[ \frac{\sin(kr)}{(kr)^2} - \frac{\cos(kr)}{kr} \right]$$

$$= \left( \frac{2}{r^2} - k^2 \right) u$$

$$0 = \frac{\sin x}{x^2} - \frac{\cos x}{x}$$

$$= \frac{\sin x}{x} - \cos x$$

$$\cos x = \frac{\sin x}{x}$$

$$x = \tan x$$

$$x \approx \left(N + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$ka = x$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2mE_{N1}}}{\hbar}a \approx \left(N + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi$$

$$E_{N1} = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2} \left(N + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2, N \in \mathbb{Z}$$