

Further notes on Ψ

- Normalized $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi|^2 = 1$
- Normalized applies for all time if normalized at a specific time

Notes on Probability Distributions

• $\langle x - \langle x \rangle \rangle = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{RMS: } (\langle (x - \langle x \rangle)^2 \rangle)^{1/2} &= [\langle x^2 - 2x\langle x \rangle + \langle x \rangle^2 \rangle]^{1/2} \\ &= [\langle x^2 \rangle - 2\langle x \rangle \langle x \rangle + \langle x \rangle^2]^{1/2} \\ &= [\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2]^{1/2}\end{aligned}$$

• $\langle x \rangle$: Expectation Value

In general $\langle f(x) \rangle = \int_{\text{all space}} f(x) \rho(x) dx$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Psi|^2 dx = 1 \quad \text{That is, } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* \Psi dx = 1$$

Ψ lives in a vector space. The vector space of square-integrable functions

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \int_a^b |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty \quad \text{Hilbert Space}$$

Notation: inner product of 2 functions is $\langle f | g \rangle = \int_a^b f^*(x) g(x) dx$

$$\text{so } \langle g | f \rangle = \{ \text{op} \} \langle f | g \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle g | f \rangle = \langle f | g \rangle^*$$

Then $\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = 1$

A set of functions is orthonormal if $\langle f_m | f_n \rangle = \delta_{mn}$. The set is complete if you can write any other function as $f(x) = \sum_m c_m f_m(x)$

$$|f\rangle = \sum_m c_m |f_m\rangle$$

If want c_m , then $\langle f_n | f \rangle = \sum_m \langle f_n | c_m | f_m \rangle = c_n$

$$c_n = \langle f_n | f \rangle \quad \text{Fourier Transform}$$