

▼ TOPIC:Quantum Harmonic Oscillator

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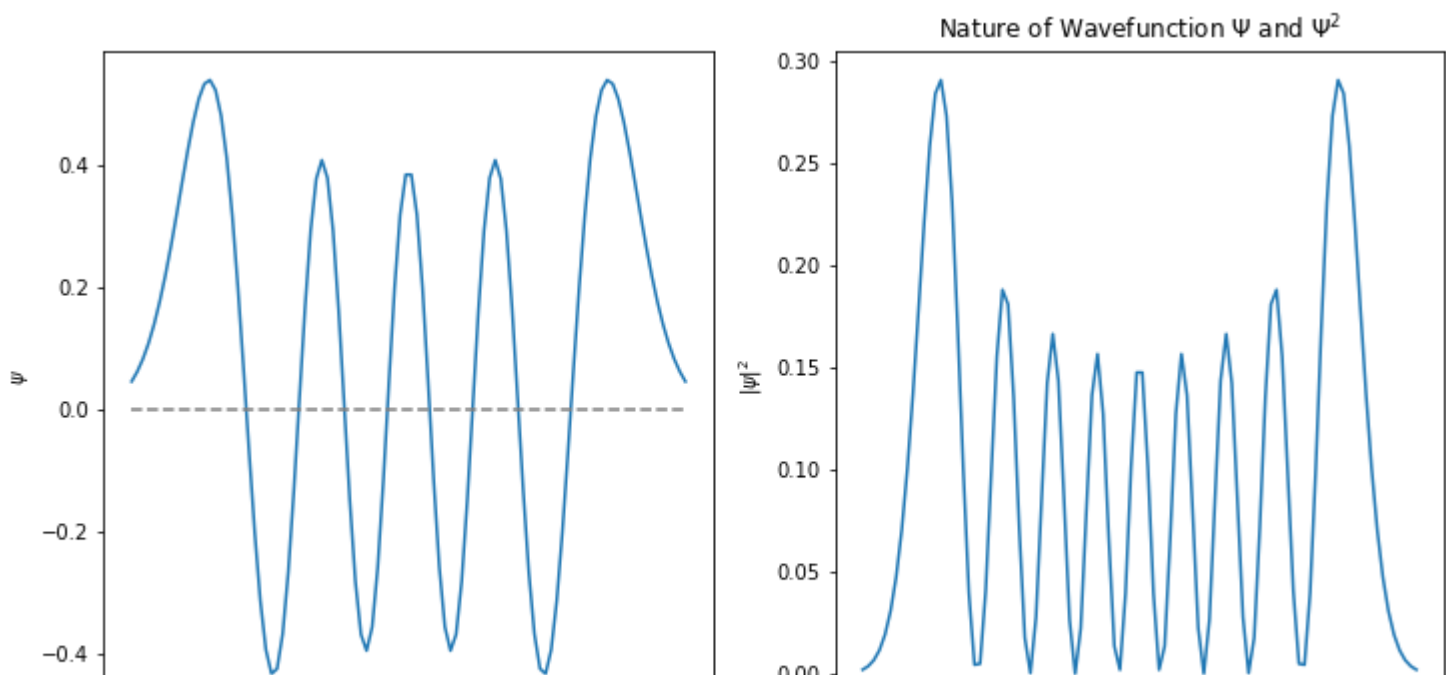
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▼ The Harmonic Oscillator Eigenstates

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1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import math
4 def fac(n):
5     return math.factorial(n)
6 def evenHn(x,n):          #Compute the even Hermite polynomial
7     n1 = int(n/2)
8     sum = 0
9     for l in range(0,n1+1):
10
11         s_term = ((-1)**(n1-l))/(fac(2*l)*fac(n1-l))
12         sum += s_term * (2*x)**(2*l)
13     Hn = fac(n)*sum
14     return Hn
15
16 def oddHn(x,n):          #Compute the odd Hermite polynomial
17     n1 = int((n-1)/2)
18     sum = 0
19     for l in range(0,n1+1):
20
21         s_term = ((-1)**(n1-l))/((fac(2*l))*fac(n1-l))
22         sum += s_term * (2*x)**(2*l+1)
23
24     Hn = fac(n)*sum
25     return Hn
26
27 def gauss(Hn,x):         #The gaussian function returns the product of Hermite polynomial and exponential function of :
28     f = Hn*math.exp((-1*(x**2))/2)
29     return f
30
31 # def simpson_rule(y,h):
32 #     sum1=y[0]+y[-1]
33 #     for i in range(1,len(y)-1):
34 #         if i % 2 == 0:
35 #             ai = 2
36 #         else:
37 #             ai = 4
38 #         sum1 += ai * y[i]
39 #     sum1 = sum1 * h/3
40 #     return sum1
41
42 def N(n):                #normalization constant
43     '''Normalization constant '''
44
45     return 1./np.sqrt(np.sqrt(np.pi)*2**n*fac(n))
46
47
48 def main(n):             #Main Function Carrying out the Plot of psi Vs x and also probability density.
49     x =np.linspace(-5,5,100)
50     h = x[1]-x[0]
51     f = []
52     f2 = []
53     for _ in x:
54
55         if n%2==0:        #Check for Odd or Even Hermite polynomial
56             Hn = evenHn(_,n)
57         else:
58             Hn = oddHn(_,n)
59         f1 = gauss(Hn,_)
60         f.append(f1)
61         f2.append(f1**2)
62
63     No = N(n)
64
65
66     plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
67     plt.subplot(1,2,1)
68     plt.plot(x,No*np.array(f))
69     plt.plot([-5,5],[0,0], color='gray', linestyle='--')
70     plt.xlabel("$x$")
71     plt.ylabel("$\psi$")
72     plt.subplot(1,2,2)
73     plt.plot(x,No**2*np.array(f2))
74     plt.xlabel("$x$")
75     plt.ylabel("$|\psi|^2$")
76     plt.title("Nature of Wavefunction $\psi$ and $\psi^2$")
77 n = 8
78 main(n)

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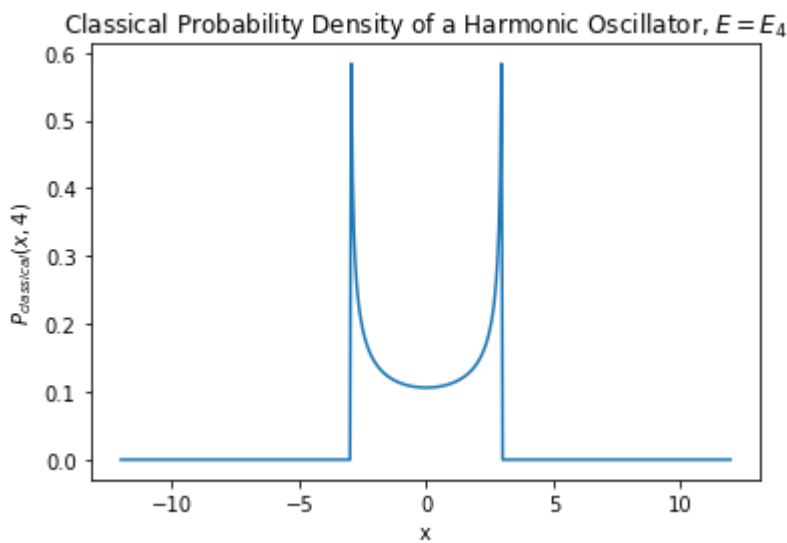
▼ The Classical Harmonic Oscillator

The classical probability of finding the particle at x is given by $x_{max} = \sqrt{(2E_m/\omega^2)}$ where x_{max} is the classical turning point, and $P_{classical}(x)$ is understood to be zero for $|x| > |x_{max}|$.

```

1 import matplotlib
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import numpy
4 import numpy.polynomial.hermite as Herm
5
6 #Choose simple units
7 m=1.
8 w=1.
9 hbar=1.
10 #Discretized space
11 dx = 0.05
12 x_lim = 12
13 x = numpy.arange(-x_lim,x_lim,dx)
14
15 def classical_P(x,n):
16     E = hbar*w*(n+0.5)
17     x_max = numpy.sqrt(2*E/(m*w**2))
18     classical_prob = numpy.zeros(x.shape[0])
19     x_inside = abs(x) < (x_max - 0.025)
20     classical_prob[x_inside] = 1./numpy.pi/numpy.sqrt(x_max**2-x[x_inside]*x[x_inside])
21     return classical_prob
22
23 plt.figure()
24 plt.plot(x, classical_P(x,4))
25 plt.xlabel(r"x")
26 plt.ylabel(r"$P_{\{classical\}}(x,4)$")
27 plt.title(r"Classical Probability Density of a Harmonic Oscillator, $E=E_4$")
28 plt.show()

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Comparison of the Classical and Quantum Harmonic Results

We know that quantum physics often makes counter-intuitive predictions that contradict classical physics. But we also know that quantum effects do not often appear in the macroscopic world. For the example of the harmonic oscillator, at which energies do classical and quantum physics most agree, and at which energies do they most strongly diverge? Based on the above graphs, describe some of the differences predicted by quantum and classical physics for the harmonic oscillator.

The difference between quantum and classical physics is most distinct for the lower energy levels, where quantum mechanics does not at all obey the classical intuition that particles spend most of their time near the classical turning point. At very high energies though, the general shape of the quantum probability distribution starts to look more like the classical result.

Here are three additional differences between the classical and quantum results. Classically, there is zero probability for the particle to exist outside of the energetically allowed region (beyond the turning point). However, the quantum results indicate some small but finite probability of measuring the particle in the classically "forbidden" region.

The classical probability distribution says that there is some chance of finding the particle at any point within the classically allowed region. In contrast, the quantum probability distributions possess nodes of zero probability within this region.

This one's not obvious from the graphs, but it's clear enough that a classical harmonic oscillator can possess any energy. In particular, there is no minimum allowable energy, in stark contrast to the quantum harmonic oscillator, whose minimum energy (ground state energy, vacuum energy) is $E_0 = \hbar\omega/2$.

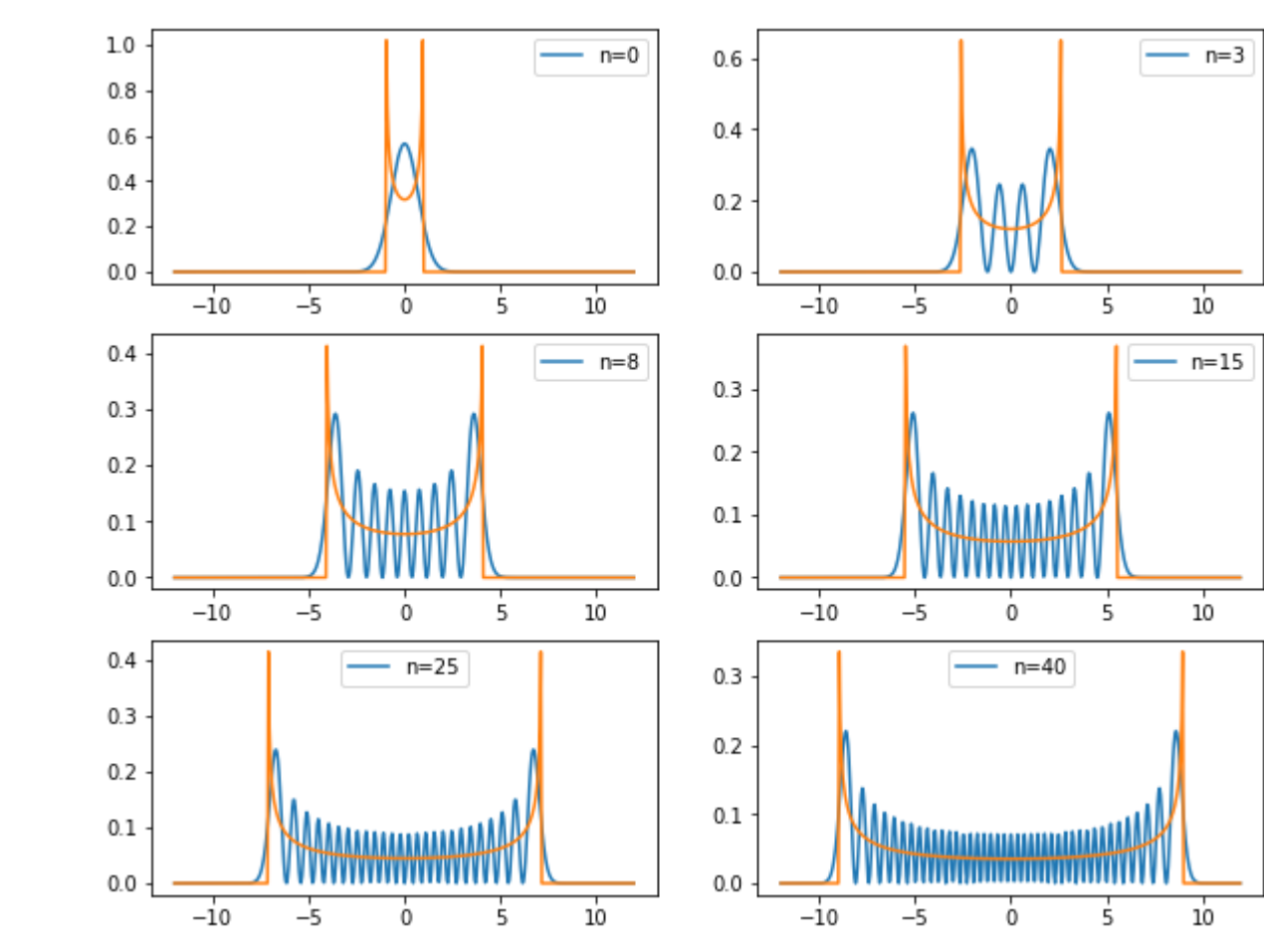
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1 import matplotlib
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import numpy
4 # import numpy.polynomial.hermite as hermite
5 from scipy.special import hermite
6 import math
7
8 #Choose simple units
9 m=1.
10 w=1.
11 hbar=1.
12 dx = 0.05
13 x_lim = 12
14 x = numpy.arange(-x_lim,x_lim,dx)
15
16 def N(n):
17     '''Normalization constant '''
18
19     return 1./np.sqrt(np.sqrt(np.pi)*2**n*factorial(n))
20
21 def psi(x, n ):
22     """Harmonic oscillator wavefunction for level n computed on grid of points x"""
23
24     Hr=hermite(n)
25
26     ψx = N(n)*Hr(x)*np.exp(-0.5*x**2)
27
28     return ψx
29
30 def classical_P(x,n):
31     E = hbar*w*(n+0.5)
32     x_max = numpy.sqrt(2*E/(m*w**2))
33     classical_prob = numpy.zeros(x.shape[0])
34     x_inside = abs(x) < (x_max - 0.025)
35     classical_prob[x_inside] = 1./numpy.pi/numpy.sqrt(x_max**2-x[x_inside]*x[x_inside])
36     return classical_prob
37
38 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
39 plt.subplot(3,2,1)
40 plt.plot(x, numpy.conjugate(psi(x,0))*psi(x,0), label="n=0")
41 plt.plot(x, classical_P(x,0))
42 plt.legend()
43 plt.subplot(3,2,2)
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44 plt.plot(x, numpy.conjugate(psi(x,3))*psi(x,3), label="n=3")
45 plt.plot(x, classical_P(x,3))
46 plt.legend()
47 plt.subplot(3,2,3)
48 plt.plot(x, numpy.conjugate(psi(x,8))*psi(x,8), label="n=8")
49 plt.plot(x, classical_P(x,8))
50 plt.legend()
51 plt.subplot(3,2,4)
52 plt.plot(x, numpy.conjugate(psi(x,15))*psi(x,15), label="n=15")
53 plt.plot(x, classical_P(x,15))
54 plt.legend()
55 plt.subplot(3,2,5)
56 plt.plot(x, numpy.conjugate(psi(x,25))*psi(x,25), label="n=25")
57 plt.plot(x, classical_P(x,25))
58 plt.legend()
59 plt.subplot(3,2,6)
60 plt.plot(x, numpy.conjugate(psi(x,40))*psi(x,40), label="n=40")
61 plt.plot(x, classical_P(x,40))
62 plt.legend()
63 plt.show()

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Plot of Probability densities of harmonic oscillator

```

1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import scipy
4 from scipy.special import hermite
5 from math import factorial
6 def N(n):
7     '''Normalization constant '''
8
9     return 1./np.sqrt(np.sqrt(np.pi)*2**n*factorial(n))
10
11 def psi(n, x):
12     """Harmonic oscillator wavefunction for level n computed on grid of points x"""
13
14     Hr=hermite(n)
15
16      $\psi_x$  = N(n)*Hr(x)*np.exp(-0.5*x**2)
17
18     return  $\psi_x$ 
19
20
21 def E(n): #Eigen values
22
23     '''Eigenvalues in units of h'''
24
25     return (n + 0.5)
26
27 def V(x): #potential energy
28     """Potential energy function"""
29
30     return 0.5*x**2
31

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32 '''
33 Installing celluloid module for animated plot of energy and eigen values.
34 '''
35
36 !pip install  celluloid
37
38 import numpy as np
39 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
40
41 from celluloid import Camera
42 from IPython.display import HTML
43
44 fig, bx = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,10))
45 camera = Camera(fig)
46 plt.close()
47 # fig, bx = plt.subplots(figsize=(10,10))
48 n_mbx = int(input("Enter the desired level: ")) + 1 #maximum level as per desired
49 h = 6.626e-34 #J-s
50 w = 4138.5 #cm-1
51 xmin, xmbx = -np.sqrt(2*E(n_mbx)), np.sqrt(2*E(n_mbx))
52 x = np.linspace(xmin, xmbx, 1000)
53 for i in range(n_mbx+1):
54     for n in range(i):
55
56         # plot potential V(x)
57         bx.plot(x,V(x),color='black')
58
59         # plot psi squared which we shift up by values of energy
60         bx.plot(x,psi(n,x)**2 + E(n), lw=2)
61
62         # add lines and labels
63
64         bx.axhline(E(n), color='gray', linestyle='--',lw=1)
65         bx.text(xmbx, 1.*E(n), f"n = {n}")
66
67
68     Energy = h*w*(2*i+1)
69     print(f"Energy at eigen value {E(i)} is: {Energy} Joules")
70     camera.snap()
71
72
73 bx.set_xlabel('x')
74 bx.set_ylabel('$\psi^2_n(x)$')
75 animation = camera.animate(interval=1000)
76 HTML(animation.to_html5_video())

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Energy at eigen value 3.5 is: 1.9195190699999998e-29 Joules
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Energy at eigen value 5.5 is: 3.01638711e-29 Joules
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Energy at eigen value 8.5 is: 4.66168917e-29 Joules
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Future prospects and Applications

The harmonic oscillator is a model which has several important applications in both classical and quantum mechanics.

It serves as a prototype in the mathematical treatment of such diverse phenomena as

*elasticity, acoustics, AC circuits,
molecular and crystal vibrations,
electromagnetic fields and
optical properties of matter.*

Thank You

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 - ❖ <https://opentextbc.ca/universityphysicsv3openstax/chapter/the-quantum-harmonic-oscillator/>
 - ❖ <https://github.com/agarret7/QHO-Visualizer/tree/master/src>
 - ❖ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quantum_harmonic_oscillator

