

# Week 5 assignment

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# Time-dependent Schrödinger equation

Harmonic oscillator, potential moving to the right with  $v = \frac{1}{T}$ .

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2} + \frac{\left(\hat{q} - \frac{t}{T}\right)^2}{2} \quad t \in [0, T]$$

Compute

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = U(t)|\psi(0)\rangle$$

$$\langle x|\psi(0)\rangle = \mathcal{N}e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

Discretizing  $T = N_t \Delta t$ , with  $N_t = 1000$

$$U(t) = e^{-i \int_{t_0}^t [\hat{K} + \hat{V}] dt'} \rightarrow e^{-i[\hat{K} + \hat{V}]\Delta t}$$

# Split Operator Method

$$e^{-i(\hat{K}+\hat{V})\Delta t} \approx e^{-i\hat{V}\frac{\Delta t}{2}} e^{-i\hat{K}\Delta t} e^{-i\hat{V}\frac{\Delta t}{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3)$$

- When applied  $N_t = \frac{T}{\Delta t}$  times, error becomes  $N_t \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^3) = \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2)$
- In momentum basis  $\hat{K}$  can be represented as  $\text{diag}(p_1^2, \dots, p_{N_x}^2)$ , the operator above becomes  $\text{diag}(e^{-ip_1^2 \Delta t}, \dots)$
- With  $L = 40$ , we choose  $N_x = 12000$  for  $[-L, L]$ . Particle in a box:  $p_i \in [-\frac{\pi}{L}, \frac{\pi}{L}]$  with  $N_p = N_x$ .
- Switching between  $x, p$  representation:  $\mathcal{F}$
- Time evolution

$$\psi(t + \Delta t) = e^{-\frac{i}{2}V\Delta t} \mathcal{F}^{-1} e^{-iK\Delta t} \mathcal{F} e^{-\frac{i}{2}V\Delta t} \psi(t)$$

Compile: gfortran tdse.f90 -o simulation -llapack -lfftw3 -lfftw3f

Installation: sudo apt-get install -y fftw3-dev

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do ii = 1, N
    psi(ii) = EXP(-(xlattice(ii)**2d0)/2d0)
end do
psi = psi / Norm(psi, dxlattice)
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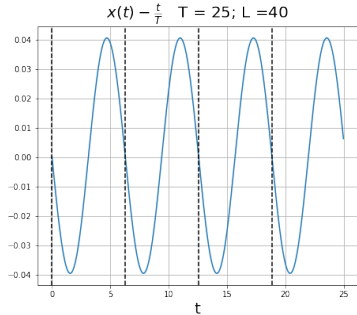
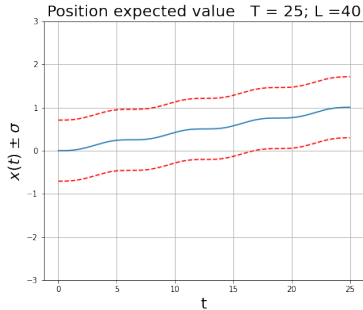
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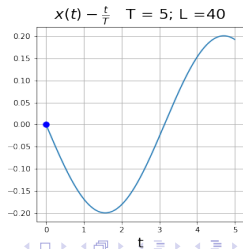
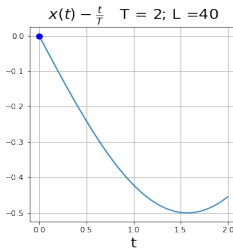
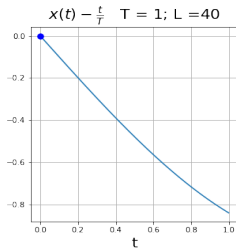
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function fft(psi) result(psi_p)
    call dfftw_plan_dft_1d(plan, size(psi), psi, psi_p, -1)
    call dfftw_execute_dft(plan, psi, psi_p)
    call dfftw_destroy_plan(plan)
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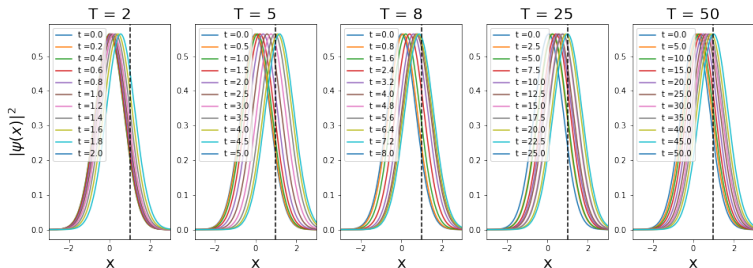
$\hat{q}(t) - \frac{t}{T}$  is the usual position, it should oscillate with period  $\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$  ( $\omega = 1$ ).



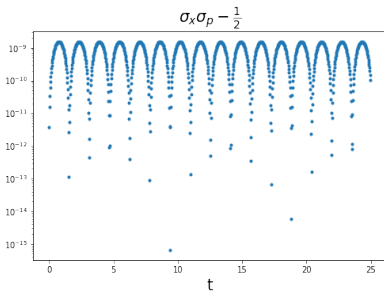
Notice that  $\langle x(T) \rangle = 1$ , since  $\langle x(t) \rangle = vt = \frac{t}{T}$



Only  $T = 25, 50$  end with peak at  $x = 1$



Heisenberg principle:  $\sigma_x \sigma_p \geq \frac{1}{2}$ . Ground state of harmonic oscillator falls



in equality case.

$$\Delta t^2 \approx 0.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$$