

Physics 562 - Computational Physics

Assignment 4: Eigenvalues of Simple Harmonic Oscillator

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Abstract

This paper examine

1 Hamiltonian

one dimensional harmonic oscillator is given by

$$m \frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial t^2} = -kx. \quad (1)$$

which has the solution

$$x = x_0 \sin(\omega t + \theta), \quad (2)$$

where

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (3)$$

The total energy of the system is the same as the hamiltonian which is given by

$$E = \mathcal{H} = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{mw^2x^2}{2} \quad (4)$$

let's say,

$$\xi = x\sqrt{\frac{mw}{\hbar}} \quad (5)$$

$$\pi = \frac{p}{\sqrt{\hbar mw}}. \quad (6)$$

This gives us the equation

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\hbar w}{2}(\pi^2 + \xi^2) \quad (7)$$

if you factorize the expression, it becomes

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{\hbar w}{2}[(\xi + i\pi)(\xi - i\pi) + (\xi - i\pi)(\xi + i\pi)] \quad (8)$$

we can now define the operators

$$a = \frac{\xi + i\pi}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar mw}}(mwx + ip) \quad (9)$$

$$a^\dagger = \frac{\xi - i\pi}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\hbar mw}}(mwx - ip) \quad (10)$$

from the commutator relation

$$[i\pi, \xi] = 1 \quad (11)$$

it follows that

$$[a, a^\dagger] = 1 \quad (12)$$

Finally, we can write the hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H} = \hbar w(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2}) = \hbar w(N + \frac{1}{2}) \quad (13)$$

where

$$N = a^\dagger a \quad (14)$$

$$a^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \sqrt{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{1} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

From this we get

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2mw}}(a^\dagger + a), \quad (15)$$

$$p = i\sqrt{\frac{mw\hbar}{2}}(a^\dagger - a) \quad (16)$$

Plugging in for a^\dagger and a we get

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2mw}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{1} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \sqrt{1} & 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & \sqrt{3} & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$p = i\sqrt{\frac{mw\hbar}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sqrt{1} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ \sqrt{1} & 0 & -\sqrt{2} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 & -\sqrt{3} & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

So, we want to find the eigenvalue of a harmonic oscillator that is using the basis of a different basis. The first harmonic oscillator has the parameters of $\hbar = 1$, $m = 1$, and $w = .5$. The second harmonic oscillator has the parameters of $\hbar = 1$, $m = 1$, and $w = 1$. If you calculate the hamiltonians using equation 13 you get

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = (N + \frac{1}{2}) \quad (17)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = .5 \cdot (N + \frac{1}{2}) \quad (18)$$

writing as a 10×10 matrix we get

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{9}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{11}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{13}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{15}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{17}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{19}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{5}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{7}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{9}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{11}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{13}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{15}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{17}{4} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{19}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

finally, we know that the hamiltonian we want is

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_1 + \mathcal{H}_2 + \frac{1}{2}m \cdot (\omega_2 - \omega_1)^2 \cdot (x_2 - x_1)^2 \quad (19)$$

where w_2 and x_2 are the matrices associated with the second harmonic oscillator, and w_1 and x_1 are the matrices associated with the first harmonic oscillator

2 The Fortran95 code

The code solves the equation of motion using the Runge-Kutta method. First a module called NumType is created to store all my global parameters.

Listing 1: Module NumType

```
1
2  module NumType
3
4      save
5      integer, parameter :: dp = kind(1.d0)
6      real(dp), parameter :: pi = 4*atan(1._dp)
7      complex(dp), parameter :: iic = (0._dp,1._dp),&
8                                   one = (1._dp,0._dp),&
9                                   zero = (0._dp,0._dp)
10
11 end module NumType
```

Listing 2: mtest.f95

```
1
2  module setup
3
4      use NumType
5      implicit none
6      integer, parameter :: ndim=10,lwork=5*ndim
7      real(dp), parameter :: mass=1.0_dp, &
8                           hbar=1.0_dp,&
9                           omega1=0.5_dp,&
10                          omega2=1._dp
11
12 end module setup
13
14 program matrix
15
16     use setup
17     implicit none
18
19     complex(dp), dimension(ndim,ndim) :: A,B,E,H1,H2,H3
20     real(dp), dimension(ndim) :: w
21     integer :: i, nn, info
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22     complex(dp)                                :: work(lwork)
23     real(dp)                                    :: rwork(lwork)
24
25     A(1:10,1:10) = reshape((/                                &
26         zero, sqrt(1*one), zero, zero, zero,                &
27         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
28         sqrt(1*one), zero, sqrt(2*one), zero, zero,          &
29         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
30         zero, sqrt(2*one), zero, sqrt(3*one), zero,          &
31         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
32         zero, zero, sqrt(3*one), zero, sqrt(4*one),          &
33         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
34         zero, zero, zero, sqrt(4*one), zero,                  &
35         sqrt(5*one), zero, zero, zero, zero,                  &
36         zero, zero, zero, zero, sqrt(5*one),                  &
37         zero, sqrt(6*one), zero, zero, zero,                  &
38         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
39         sqrt(6*one), zero, sqrt(7*one), zero, zero,          &
40         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
41         zero, sqrt(7*one), zero, sqrt(8*one), zero,          &
42         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
43         zero, zero, sqrt(8*one), zero, sqrt(9*one),          &
44         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
45         zero, zero, zero, sqrt(9*one), zero                  &
46     /),                                                    &
47     (/10,10/))
48
49     H1(1:10,1:10) = reshape((/                                &
50         1/2._dp*one, zero, zero, zero, zero,                &
51         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
52         zero, 3/2._dp*one, zero, zero, zero,                  &
53         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
54         zero, zero, 5/2._dp*one, zero, zero,                  &
55         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
56         zero, zero, zero, 7/2._dp*one, zero,                  &
57         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
58         zero, zero, zero, zero, 9/2._dp*one,                  &
59         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
60         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero,                        &
61         11/2._dp*one, zero, zero, zero, zero,                &

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62         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
63         zero, 13/2._dp*one, zero, zero, zero, &
64         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
65         zero, zero, 15/2._dp*one, zero, zero, &
66         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
67         zero, zero, zero, 17/2._dp*one, zero, &
68         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
69         zero, zero, zero, zero, 19/2._dp*one &
70     /), &
71     (/10,10/))
72
73     H2(1:10,1:10) = reshape((/ &
74         1/4._dp*one, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
75         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
76         zero, 3/4._dp*one, zero, zero, zero, &
77         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
78         zero, zero, 5/4._dp*one, zero, zero, &
79         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
80         zero, zero, zero, 7/4._dp*one, zero, &
81         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
82         zero, zero, zero, zero, 9/4._dp*one, &
83         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
84         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
85         11/4._dp*one, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
86         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
87         zero, 13/4._dp*one, zero, zero, zero, &
88         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
89         zero, zero, 15/4._dp*one, zero, zero, &
90         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
91         zero, zero, zero, 17/4._dp*one, zero, &
92         zero, zero, zero, zero, zero, &
93         zero, zero, zero, zero, 19/4._dp*one &
94     /), &
95     (/10,10/))
96
97     A(1:10,1:10)= sqrt(hbar/(2*mass*omega1))*A(1:10,1:10)
98     B(1:10,1:10)= sqrt(hbar/(2*mass*omega2))*A(1:10,1:10)
99     H3(1:10,1:10)= H1 + H2 + 1/2._dp*mass*&
100         (omega2-omega1)**2*(B-A)**2
101

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102     nn = 10
103     info = 0
104     E(1:nn,1:nn) = H3(1:nn,1:nn)
105
106     call zheev('v','u',nn,E,ndim,w,work,lwork,rwork,info)
107
108     print *, 'info=', info
109
110     do i = 1,10
111         print '(a,f15.8,a,20f6.0)', 'eigenvalues', w(i), &
112             'vector', dble(e(1:nn,i))
113     end do
114
115 end program matrix

```

The code is run by typing `./mat`. The resulting eigenvalues and eigenvectors are printed out to the terminal.

3 Results

The eigenvalues are

4 Summary and conclusions

The eigenvalues tell us that Natalie is super cool.

References

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