

Heisenberg Uncertainty Relations:

expectation value of an operator: $\langle \Omega \rangle = \langle \psi | \Omega | \psi \rangle$

Expectation value of an operator Ω with uncertainty given by: $(\Delta \Omega)^2 = \langle \psi | (\Omega - \langle \Omega \rangle)^2 | \psi \rangle$

Derivation of Uncertainty Relations: we begin with two hermitian operators Ω and Λ with a commutator of some type: $[\Omega, \Lambda] = i\Gamma$

the product of uncertainty can be written as: (for a state $|\psi\rangle$)

$$(\Delta \Omega)^2 (\Delta \Lambda)^2 = \langle \psi | (-\Omega - \langle \Omega \rangle)^2 | \psi \rangle \langle \psi | (\Lambda - \langle \Lambda \rangle)^2 | \psi \rangle$$

Changing variables to: $\tilde{\Omega} = \Omega - \langle \Omega \rangle$ and $\tilde{\Lambda} = \Lambda - \langle \Lambda \rangle$

Notice that $[\tilde{\Omega}, \tilde{\Lambda}] = -\Omega\Lambda - \Omega\langle\Lambda\rangle - \langle\Omega\rangle\Lambda + \langle\Omega\rangle\langle\Lambda\rangle - (\Lambda\Omega - \Lambda\langle\Omega\rangle - \langle\Lambda\rangle\Omega + \langle\Lambda\rangle\langle\Omega\rangle)$
 $= -\Omega\Lambda - \Lambda\Omega = [\Omega, \Lambda] = i\Gamma$ since $\langle\Omega\rangle$ and $\langle\Lambda\rangle$ are numbers and so they commute.

$$\text{So: } (\Delta \Omega)^2 (\Delta \Lambda)^2 = \langle \psi | \tilde{\Omega}^2 | \psi \rangle \langle \psi | \tilde{\Lambda}^2 | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \tilde{\Omega}^\dagger \tilde{\Omega} | \psi \rangle \langle \psi | \tilde{\Lambda}^\dagger \tilde{\Lambda} | \psi \rangle$$

If we use Schwarz inequality : $|V_1|^2 |V_2|^2 \geq |\langle V_1 | V_2 \rangle|^2$ to $|\tilde{\Omega}\psi\rangle$ and $|\hat{A}\psi\rangle$:

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\langle \tilde{\psi} | \tilde{\psi} \rangle \langle \hat{\psi} | \hat{\psi} \rangle}_{= (\Delta \rho)^2 (\Delta \lambda)^2} \geq |\langle \tilde{\psi} | \hat{\psi} \rangle|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (\Delta \Omega)^2 (\Delta \Lambda)^2 \geq |\langle \tilde{\chi} | \chi \rangle|^2$$

$$(\Delta \Omega)^2 (\Delta \Lambda)^2 \geq |\langle \psi | \hat{\Omega} \hat{\Lambda} | \psi \rangle|^2$$

However we can rewrite $\hat{\Omega}\hat{\Lambda}$ using the commutator and anticommutator:

$$\hat{\Omega}\hat{\Lambda} = \frac{\hat{\Omega}\hat{\Lambda} + \hat{\Lambda}\hat{\Omega}}{2} + \frac{\hat{\Omega}\hat{\Lambda} - \hat{\Lambda}\hat{\Omega}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}] + \frac{1}{2} [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}]_+$$

↑
commutator

↑
anticommutator

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta\Omega)^2(\Delta\Lambda)^2 &\geq \left| \langle \psi | \frac{1}{2} [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}] + \frac{1}{2} [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}]_+ | \psi \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\geq \left| \langle \psi | \frac{1}{2} [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}] | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | \frac{1}{2} [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}]_+ | \psi \rangle \right|^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4} \left| \langle \psi | [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}] | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}]_+ | \psi \rangle \right|^2 \quad \text{remembering that } [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}] = [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}] = i\Gamma \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4} \left| i\langle \psi | \Gamma | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}]_+ | \psi \rangle \right|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since we have something which is $\langle \dots \rangle$ these are all numbers; which means our last expression resulted in something of the sort: $|a+ib|^2 = a^2+b^2$ then:

$$(\Delta\Omega)^2(\Delta\Lambda)^2 \geq \frac{1}{4} \langle \psi | \Gamma | \psi \rangle^2 + \frac{1}{4} \langle \psi | [\hat{\Omega}, \hat{\Lambda}]_+ | \psi \rangle^2$$

General Uncertainty Relation

This is the uncertainty relation for any given two hermitian operators; it's the most general case. We could look now on some important ~~case~~ specific category which is the canonically conjugate operators where $\Gamma = i\hbar$

In this case we would have the following:

$$(\Delta Q)^2 (\Delta P)^2 \geq \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \underbrace{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle^2}_{=1 \text{ for normalization}} + \frac{1}{4} \langle \psi | [\tilde{Q}, \tilde{P}]_+ | \psi \rangle^2$$

$$\geq \frac{\hbar^2}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \langle \psi | [\tilde{Q}, \tilde{P}]_+ | \psi \rangle^2$$

however notice how this term is always positive and defined; this means that this term is always adding something to this side of the inequality. So we can conclude that the next inequality will always be satisfied:

$$(\Delta Q)^2 (\Delta P)^2 \geq \hbar^2/4 \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{\Delta Q \Delta P \geq \hbar/2}$$

which is the ^{uncertainty} ~~uncertainty~~ for canonically conjugated operators (i.e. $[Q, P] = i\hbar$)

The equality (minimum uncertainty) happens only if:

$$(i) \quad \tilde{Q}|\psi\rangle = c\tilde{P}|\psi\rangle$$

$$(ii) \quad \langle \psi | [\tilde{Q}, \tilde{P}]_+ | \psi \rangle = 0$$

For \hat{X} and \hat{P} for example (i) translates into $(\hat{P} - \langle \hat{P} \rangle)|\psi\rangle = c(\hat{X} - \langle \hat{X} \rangle)|\psi\rangle$

and (ii) into $\langle \psi | (\hat{P} - \langle \hat{P} \rangle)(\hat{X} - \langle \hat{X} \rangle) + (\hat{X} - \langle \hat{X} \rangle)(\hat{P} - \langle \hat{P} \rangle) | \psi \rangle = 0$

projecting (i) into $|x\rangle$ basis:

$$\left(-i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} - \langle \hat{P} \rangle\right) \psi(x) = c(x - \langle \hat{X} \rangle) \psi(x) \rightarrow \frac{d\psi(x)}{\psi(x)} = \frac{i}{\hbar} [\langle \hat{P} \rangle + c(x - \langle \hat{X} \rangle)] dx$$

Independently of $\langle \hat{X} \rangle$ we can shift the origin to $x = \langle \hat{X} \rangle$ making $\langle \hat{X} \rangle = 0$ in this new framework.

Our solution is then of the type:

$$\psi(x) = \psi(0) e^{i\langle \hat{p} \rangle x / \hbar} e^{i c x^2 / 2 \hbar}$$

Looking at (22) now but with a framework such that $\langle \hat{x} \rangle = 0$ we have:

$$\langle \psi | (\hat{p} - \langle \hat{p} \rangle) \hat{x} + \hat{x} (\hat{p} - \langle \hat{p} \rangle) | \psi \rangle = 0$$

$$\text{However we must have } (\hat{p} - \langle \hat{p} \rangle) | \psi \rangle = c (\hat{x} - \langle \hat{x} \rangle) | \psi \rangle \\ = c \hat{x} | \psi \rangle$$

where its adjoint takes the form:

$$\langle \psi | (\hat{p} - \langle \hat{p} \rangle) = \langle \psi | \hat{x} c^* \text{ so we have:}$$

$$\langle \psi | c^* \hat{x}^2 + c \hat{x}^2 | \psi \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow (c + c^*) \langle \psi | \hat{x}^2 | \psi \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = i |c| \text{ (pure imaginary) then:}$$

$$\psi(x) = \psi(0) e^{i\langle \hat{p} \rangle x / \hbar} e^{-|c| x^2 / 2 \hbar}; \quad \Delta^2 = \hbar / |c|$$

$$\psi(x) = \psi(0) e^{i\langle \hat{p} \rangle x / \hbar} e^{-x^2 / 2 \Delta^2} \text{ if the framework transformation was not done.}$$

$$\psi(x) = \psi(\langle x \rangle) e^{i\langle \hat{p} \rangle (x - \langle x \rangle) / \hbar} e^{-(x - \langle x \rangle)^2 / 2 \Delta^2}$$

↗ Gaussian function. If we have that our system has minimum uncertainty in \hat{x}, \hat{p} our wave function will assume a gaussian form

(Notice that the imaginary part vanishes on the probability distribution, resulting in a arbitrary Gaussian function)

$$\text{i.e. } |\psi(x)|^2 = |\psi(\langle x \rangle)|^2 e^{-(x - \langle x \rangle)^2 / \Delta^2}$$

Identical Particles:

↳ particles who share the exact same defining properties

If we have a system of two identical particles and we do some measurement of position and are returned the values a and b ; we know that our state collapsed into $|x_1 x_2\rangle$. However how do we know which particle is at $x=a$ and which is at $x=b$ if they are identical? In other words, our state collapsed to $|ab\rangle$ or $|ba\rangle$? In classical mechanics if we trace out the path, we can 'distinguish' two identical particles. However this is not possible in quantum mechanics. The answer is neither. Our state will be a vectorial superposition of $|ab\rangle$ and $|ba\rangle$ states.

$$|\psi(a,b)\rangle = \beta |ab\rangle + \gamma |ba\rangle$$

However, we need to require that any multiplier of our state still represents our state because they need to be physically equivalent.

$$|\psi(a,b)\rangle = \alpha |\psi(b,a)\rangle \quad \text{then we will have:}$$

$$\beta |ab\rangle + \gamma |ba\rangle = \alpha \beta |ba\rangle + \alpha \gamma |ab\rangle \Rightarrow \beta = \alpha \beta ; \gamma = \alpha \gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\alpha = \pm 1}$$

So we have that the allowed state vectors are:

$$|ab, S\rangle = |ab\rangle + |ba\rangle ; \alpha = 1, \text{ Symmetric}$$

$$|ab, A\rangle = |ab\rangle - |ba\rangle ; \alpha = -1, \text{ Antisymmetric}$$

In general if we measure Ω (non-degenerate) of identical particles; our state will collapse to $|w_1 w_2, S\rangle$ or $|w_1 w_2, A\rangle$ and this will depend solely on the type of particle we were working with.

Bosons and Fermions:

pion, photon, graviton \rightarrow Bosons \rightarrow Symmetric

electron, proton, neutron \rightarrow Fermions \rightarrow Antisymmetric

Considering now a two-Fermion state which is always antisymmetric:

$$|w_1 w_2, A\rangle = |w_1 w_2\rangle - |w_2 w_1\rangle$$

$$\text{If } w_1 = w_2 = w \Rightarrow |ww, A\rangle = |ww\rangle - |ww\rangle = 0$$

\hookrightarrow Pauli Exclusion Principle: two identical fermions can't be in the same quantum state of spin $\frac{1}{2}$

One big example of Pauli Exclusion Principle is in a two fermionic system characterized by w (orbital) and s (spin label) we would have the following state:

$$|w_1 s_1, w_2 s_2, A\rangle = |w_1 s_1, w_2 s_2\rangle - |w_2 s_2, w_1 s_1\rangle$$

and this vector state vanishes only if $w_1 = w_2$ and $s_1 = s_2$ which is the exclusion Principle. But notice here that two electrons cannot share the same energy level and spin orientation; thus it's possible to have two electrons on the same orbital states but with different spin orientation.

The normalization for bosonic systems are pretty straightforward:

$$|w_1 w_2, S\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|w_1 w_2\rangle + |w_2 w_1\rangle)$$

$$P_S(w_1, w_2) = |\langle w_1 w_2, S | \psi_S \rangle|^2$$

\rightarrow Absolute probability of finding the particles in state $|w_1 w_2, S\rangle$, when Ω is measured in a state $|\psi_S\rangle$

The normalization of the state can be viewed as:

$$\langle \psi_s | \psi_s \rangle = 1 = \sum_{\text{dist}} |\langle w_1, w_2, s | \psi_s \rangle|^2 = \sum_{\text{dist}} P_s(w_1, w_2)$$

↑ sum over distinct states

For continuous variables we have:

$$|x_1 x_2, s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|x_1 x_2\rangle + |x_2 x_1\rangle)$$

$$1 = \iint P_s(x_1, x_2) \frac{dx_1 dx_2}{2} = \iint |\langle x_1 x_2, s | \psi_s \rangle|^2 \frac{dx_1 dx_2}{2}$$

We need this $1/2$ factor due to double counting of states on the integral
For convenience we define the wave function as:

$$\psi_s(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle x_1 x_2, s | \psi_s \rangle$$

So: $1 = \iint |\psi_s(x_1, x_2)|^2 dx_1 dx_2$

$$\rightarrow P_s(x_1, x_2) = 2 |\psi_s(x_1, x_2)|^2$$

Example: Two non-interacting Bosons in a box size L . Energy measure counted $n=3$ and $n=4$ levels. The state after the measurement is

$$|\psi_s\rangle = \frac{|3, 4\rangle + |4, 3\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ with wave function}$$

$$\psi_s(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle x_1 x_2, s | \psi_s \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (\langle x_1 x_2 | + \langle x_2 x_1 |) \left(\frac{|3, 4\rangle + |4, 3\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\underbrace{\langle x_1 x_2 | 3, 4 \rangle}_{\psi_3(x_1) \psi_4(x_2)} + \underbrace{\langle x_1 x_2 | 4, 3 \rangle}_{\psi_4(x_1) \psi_3(x_2)} + \underbrace{\langle x_2 x_1 | 3, 4 \rangle}_{\psi_3(x_2) \psi_4(x_1)} + \underbrace{\langle x_2 x_1 | 4, 3 \rangle}_{\psi_4(x_2) \psi_3(x_1)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_3(x_1) \psi_4(x_2) + \psi_4(x_1) \psi_3(x_2)) \text{ where } \psi_n = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{L} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right)$$

For Fermions we have the following:

$$|w_1 w_2, A\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|w_1 w_2\rangle - |w_2 w_1\rangle)$$

with wave-function:

$$\psi_A(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle x_1, x_2, A | \psi_A \rangle$$

$$P_A(x_1, x_2) = 2 |\psi_A(x_1, x_2)|^2 \text{ with normalization}$$

$$1 = \iint P_A(x_1, x_2) \frac{dx_1 dx_2}{2} = \iint |\psi_A(x_1, x_2)|^2 dx_1 dx_2$$

In the same example but with fermions:

$$|\psi_A\rangle = \frac{|4, 3\rangle - |3, 4\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{the wave function is}$$

$$\psi_A(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle x_1, x_2, A | \psi_A \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\psi_3(x_1) \psi_4(x_2) - \psi_4(x_1) \psi_3(x_2))$$

$$\psi_A(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{vmatrix} \psi_3(x_1) & \psi_4(x_1) \\ \psi_3(x_2) & \psi_4(x_2) \end{vmatrix}$$

Many Particles:

Entangled states \rightarrow states with two or more particles 'connected'

Tensor Product of two vector spaces:

Let H_1^N, H_2^M be two Hilbert vector spaces of dimensions N and M . ~~Both~~ ^{Each} represent the system of ~~two~~ some quantum particle. How can we construct a space such ~~that~~ that represents simultaneously these two particles? \rightarrow By the tensor product.

Suppose system 1 has a state vector $|\psi\rangle \in H_1^N$ and system 2 has a state vector $|\chi\rangle \in H_2^M$. Our global system which represents both systems will be the pair $\{|\psi\rangle, |\chi\rangle\} \in H_1^N \otimes H_2^M$ (vector space of dimension NM)

Let's have now some orthonormal basis of each H_1^N and H_2^M :

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n |n\rangle; |\chi\rangle = \sum_{m=1}^M d_m |m\rangle;$$

Our tensor product will be a space of the pair $\{|n\rangle, |m\rangle\}$ which we will denote by: $|n \otimes m\rangle; |n\rangle \otimes |m\rangle; |nm\rangle$

And will also be orthonormal: $\langle n' \otimes m' | n \otimes m \rangle = \delta_{nn'} \delta_{mm'}$

So the new state vector which represents both systems will be:

$$|\psi \otimes \chi\rangle = |\psi\rangle \otimes |\chi\rangle = \sum_{n,m} c_n d_m |n \otimes m\rangle$$

note: linearity: $|\psi \otimes (\chi_1 + \lambda \chi_2)\rangle = |\psi \otimes \chi_1\rangle + \lambda |\psi \otimes \chi_2\rangle$

$$|(\chi_1 + \lambda \chi_2) \otimes \psi\rangle = |\chi_1 \otimes \psi\rangle + \lambda |\chi_2 \otimes \psi\rangle$$

note: Not every element of $H_1^N \otimes H_2^M$ can be written as a direct ^{or tensor} product.

$$\text{i.e.} : |\psi\rangle = |x_1'\rangle \otimes |x_2'\rangle + |x_1''\rangle \otimes |x_2''\rangle \neq |\psi\rangle = |x_1\rangle \otimes |x_2\rangle$$

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 $H_1^N \otimes H_2^M$ this is not a direct product

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States in which cannot be written as direct products are called Entangled states and also represents interactions between particles/systems.

But what about operators acting on only one space? Such $\hat{X}_1 \in H_1^N$ or $\hat{P}_2 \in H_2^M$ What would be their representation on the tensor product $H_1^N \otimes H_2^M$? How would they act on their elements? By the following: I_1, I_2 are each identity operator on their respective space; so:

$$\underbrace{\hat{X}_1}_{\text{Representation of } \hat{X}_1 \in H_1^N \text{ on } H_1^N \otimes H_2^M} \Rightarrow (\hat{X}_1 \otimes I_2) |n \otimes m\rangle = \hat{X}_1 |n\rangle \otimes I_2 |m\rangle = \hat{X}_1 |n\rangle \otimes |m\rangle$$

$$\underbrace{\hat{P}_2}_{\text{Representation of } \hat{P}_2 \in H_2^M \text{ on } H_1^N \otimes H_2^M} \rightarrow (I_1 \otimes \hat{P}_2) |n \otimes m\rangle = I_1 |n\rangle \otimes \hat{P}_2 |m\rangle = |n\rangle \otimes \hat{P}_2 |m\rangle$$

In general if $\hat{\Omega}_1 \in H_1^N$; $\hat{\Lambda}_2 \in H_2^M$ operators; we have:

$$(\hat{\Omega}_1 \hat{\Lambda}_2)_{H_1^N \otimes H_2^M} \rightarrow (\hat{\Omega}_1 \otimes \hat{\Lambda}_2) |n \otimes m\rangle = \hat{\Omega}_1 |n\rangle \otimes \hat{\Lambda}_2 |m\rangle$$

We can also write it in a more compact way:

$$(\hat{X}_1 \otimes I_2) |n \otimes m\rangle = \hat{X}_1 |n \otimes m\rangle = \hat{X}_1 |nm\rangle$$

$$(\hat{\Omega}_1 \otimes \hat{\Lambda}_2) |n \otimes m\rangle = \hat{\Omega}_1 \hat{\Lambda}_2 |n \otimes m\rangle = \hat{\Omega}_1 \hat{\Lambda}_2 |nm\rangle$$

Suppose we are now into $|x\rangle$ basis; $|x_1\rangle \otimes |x_2\rangle = |x_1 x_2\rangle$ if we apply \hat{X}_1 or \hat{X}_2 it will be resulted on eigenvalue. Thus if \hat{X}_1 is eigenvector of $|x_1\rangle$;

$(\hat{X}_1 \otimes I_2)$ will be eigenvector of $|x_1\rangle \otimes |x_2\rangle$. In other words:

$$\hat{X}_1 |x_1 x_2\rangle = x_1 |x_1 x_2\rangle \quad \text{and}$$

$$\hat{X}_2 |x_1 x_2\rangle = x_2 |x_1 x_2\rangle$$

Also direct products of operators shares the following properties:

$$(1) [\Omega_1 \otimes I_2, I_1 \otimes \Lambda_2] = 0 \quad \text{for any } \Omega_1, \Lambda_2 \text{ (operators of each particle commute)}$$

$$(2) (\Omega_1 \otimes \Gamma_2)(\Theta_1 \otimes \Lambda_2) = (\Omega\Theta)_1 \otimes (\Gamma\Lambda)_2$$

$$(3) \text{ if } [\Omega_1, \Lambda_1] = \Gamma_1 \Rightarrow [\Omega_1^{\mathcal{H}_1^N \otimes \mathcal{H}_2^M}, \Lambda_1^{\mathcal{H}_1^N \otimes \mathcal{H}_2^M}] = \Gamma_1 \otimes I_2$$

$\in \mathcal{H}_1^N \quad \in \mathcal{H}_1^N \otimes \mathcal{H}_2^M$

$$(4) \left(\Omega_1^{\mathcal{H}_1^N \otimes \mathcal{H}_2^M} + \Lambda_2^{\mathcal{H}_1^N \otimes \mathcal{H}_2^M} \right)^2 = (\Omega_1^2 \otimes I_2 + I_1 \otimes \Lambda_2^2) + 2 \Omega_1 \otimes \Lambda_2$$

If we have some genal state vector $|\psi\rangle$ which consist of eigenvectors of some operator Ω in both spaces i.e:

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{w_1} \sum_{w_2} C_{w_1} C_{w_2} |w_1\rangle \otimes |w_2\rangle$$

If we project this into coordinate basis $|x_1\rangle \otimes |x_2\rangle$ we will have the following

$$\langle x_1 x_2 | \psi \rangle = \sum_{w_1} \sum_{w_2} C_{w_1} C_{w_2} (\langle x_1 | \otimes \langle x_2 |) \otimes (|w_1\rangle \otimes |w_2\rangle)$$

$$\langle x_1 x_2 | \psi \rangle = \sum_{w_1} \sum_{w_2} C_{w_1} C_{w_2} \langle x_1 | w_1 \rangle \otimes \langle x_2 | w_2 \rangle$$

wave-function

$$\psi(x_1, x_2) = \sum_{w_1} \sum_{w_2} C_{w_1} C_{w_2} w_1(x_1) w_2(x_2)$$

↖ eigen functions in $|x\rangle$ basis just as usual.

Evolution of two-Particle state:

For two particles our hamiltonian of the system will assume the form:

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{P}_1^2}{2m_1} + \frac{\hat{P}_2^2}{2m_2} + \hat{V}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2) \quad \text{leading to two different cases:}$$

1- H is separable ; $\hat{V}(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2) = \hat{V}_1(\hat{x}_1) + \hat{V}_2(\hat{x}_2)$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{H} = \frac{\hat{P}_1^2}{2m_1} + \hat{V}_1(\hat{x}_1) + \frac{\hat{P}_2^2}{2m_2} + \hat{V}_2(\hat{x}_2) = \hat{H}_1 + \hat{H}_2$$

\hookrightarrow particles interact with external potential but they don't interact with each other. Thus their dynamics evolves independently of each other which lead to independently energy conservation.

For a stationary state $|\psi(t)\rangle = |E\rangle e^{-iEt/\hbar}$ where $|E\rangle = |E_1\rangle \otimes |E_2\rangle$
we find eigenvectors/values of \hat{H}_1 and \hat{H}_2 and then simply:

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = |E_1\rangle e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} \otimes |E_2\rangle e^{-iE_2t/\hbar}$$

If we would solve for coordinate basis its best to use separation of variables.