

S-5: I can use the Schrödinger equation to find the energy eigenstates and propagator for a quantum system described by a time-independent Hamiltonian.

Unsatisfactory

Progressing

Acceptable

Polished

A quantum system with a three dimensional Hilbert space evolves in time according to the Hamiltonian

$$H \leftrightarrow \hbar\omega \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -4i \\ 0 & 4i & 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

where ω is a positive real number.

- (1) Find the propagator for this system. Express your answer as a 3×3 matrix in the same basis used for the Hamiltonian above.
- (2) Apply your propagator to the state vector shown below in order to find its time evolution.

$$|\psi(0)\rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1-i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$