

PHYS460, Test 2, Fall 2014

You must show work to get credit!!!!!!

(1) (5 pts) Sketch the $P_\ell^m(x)$ function in the relevant range of x for the case of $\ell = 7$, $m = 4$. Point out all of the relevant features for that ℓ, m .

(2) (5 pts) In T. Li, *et al*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **109**, 163001 (2012), they proposed an experiment that would consist of a ring of 100 trapped ${}^9Be^+$ ions. As a first step, they will trap one ion. You can approximate the ion motion as confined to a ring of radius 50 nm in the xy -plane. What are the lowest 3 energy levels in Joules and in Kelvins?

(3) (5 pts) You have a 1D potential with the form $V(x) = 0$ for $|x| > a$ and $V(x) = -(1/10)\hbar^2\pi^2/(2M[2a]^2)$ for $|x| < a$. There is one bound state. Give the bound state energy in the form $E = -f\hbar^2\pi^2/(2M[2a]^2)$ with your value of f good to 2 significant digits. Make sure to clearly write down your algorithm.

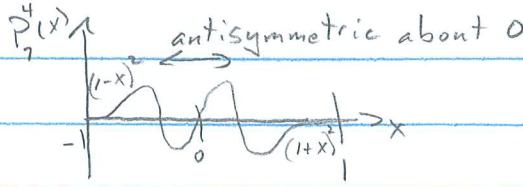
(4) (5 pts) Laser cooling and trapping techniques have progressed to the point where a quantum hamster with mass M_h is in the ground state of an infinite square well potential, $V(x) = 0$ for $0 < x < a$ and $V(x) = \infty$ elsewhere. (a) What is the probability to measure the hamster's momentum between p and $p + dp$? (b) Is it ethical to expose an innocent hamster to laser cooling and trapping techniques?

(5) (10 pts) The 3D potential energy for a quark can be (crudely) approximated as linearly increasing with distance from the origin. For a specified energy $E > 0$, give the first 4 nonzero terms in the power series expansion (in r) of the radial part of the wave function for $\ell = 2, m = -1$. Do not worry about normalization or whether E is an eigenenergy.

(6) (10 pts) For classical particles, the equations for the angular momenta are $d\vec{L}/dt = \vec{N}$ where the torque $\vec{N} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}(\vec{r})$. (a) For a quantum particle, find $d\langle \vec{L} \rangle(t)/dt = \langle ??? \rangle$. (b) Evaluate the right hand side when the potential energy is spherically symmetric.

(7) (10 pts) You have a 2×2 Hamiltonian with elements $H_{11} = 3V$, $H_{22} = -3V$, and $H_{12} = 4V$. (1 pt) (a) What is the matrix element H_{21} ? Give the reason for your answer. (3 pt) (b) Determine the two eigenenergies. (3 pt) (c) Determine the two eigenstates. (3 pt) (d) At time $t = 0$, the state is $|\Psi(0)\rangle = |1\rangle$. Determine $|\Psi(t)\rangle$.

$\psi_1(x)$
antisymmetric about 0
 $\psi_2(x)$
 $\psi_3(x)$



$$3 \text{ nodes} = l - m$$

$\psi_0(x)$
 $\psi_1(x)$
 $\psi_2(x)$
 $\psi_3(x)$

$$\text{The Hamiltonian is } H = \frac{p^2}{2MR^2} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2MR^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2}$$

The eigenstates are $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{im\theta}$ with eigenvalues $\frac{\hbar^2 m^2}{2MR^2}$

The lowest 3 energy levels are 0, $\frac{\hbar^2}{2MR^2}$, $4 \frac{\hbar^2}{2MR^2}$

$$M = 9 \cdot 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 1.49 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg}$$

$$\frac{\hbar^2}{2MR^2} = \frac{(1.055 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js})^2}{2 \cdot 1.49 \times 10^{-26} \text{ kg} \cdot (50 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m})^2} = 1.49 \times 10^{-28} \text{ J} = 1.08 \times 10^{-5} \text{ K}$$

$$E = 0, 1.49 \times 10^{-28} \text{ J}, 5.96 \times 10^{-28} \text{ J}$$

$$0, 1.08 \times 10^{-5} \text{ K}, 4.32 \times 10^{-5} \text{ K}$$

H_{WK}^V
 H_{WK}^{II}

3) Need to satisfy Eq. 2.154 $K = l \tan \alpha$

$$K = \sqrt{-2ME/\hbar^2} = \sqrt{2M f \hbar^2 \pi^2 / 2M(2a)^2 \hbar^2} = \sqrt{f} \frac{\pi}{2a}$$

$$l = \sqrt{2m(E + V_0)/\hbar^2} = \sqrt{2m(\frac{1}{10} - f)\hbar^2 \pi^2 / 2M(2a)^2 \hbar^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{10} - f} \frac{\pi}{2a}$$

So the Eq. 2.154 becomes $\sqrt{f} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{10} - f} \tan(\sqrt{\frac{1}{10} - f} \frac{\pi}{2})$

Algorithm guess f , put in right hand side, use to find new f

$$f_{\text{new}} = (\frac{1}{10} - f_{\text{old}}) \tan^2(\sqrt{\frac{1}{10} - f_{\text{old}}} \frac{\pi}{2})$$

f_{old}	f_{new}	f_{old}	f_{new}
0	0.0294	0.0194	0.0184
0.0294	0.0139	0.0184	0.01889
0.0139	0.0212	0.01889	0.01867
0.0212	0.0175	0.01867	0.01878
0.0175	0.0194	0.01878	0.01873

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Knowing $0 < f < \frac{1}{10}$, you can find $\sqrt{f} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{10} - f} \tan(\sqrt{\frac{1}{10} - f} \frac{\pi}{2}) = 0$ to 1% with ~5 guesses at f

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 Prob 4)
 Simplified
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a) The probability is $P_{(p>d)}$ where $P(p) = |C(p)|^2$

From Eq. 3.53

$$C(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_0^a e^{-ipx/\hbar} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{a} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \frac{1}{2i} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \int_0^a e^{i(\frac{\pi}{a} - p/\hbar)x} - e^{-i(\frac{\pi}{a} + p/\hbar)x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \frac{1}{2i} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \left\{ \frac{1}{i(\frac{\pi}{a} - p/\hbar)} [e^{i(\frac{\pi}{a} - p/\hbar)a} - 1] - \frac{1}{i(\frac{\pi}{a} + p/\hbar)} [e^{-i(\frac{\pi}{a} + p/\hbar)a} - 1] \right\}$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi\hbar a}} \left\{ \frac{e^{-ip\hbar a/\hbar}}{\frac{\pi}{a} - p/\hbar} + \frac{e^{-ip\hbar a/\hbar}}{\frac{\pi}{a} + p/\hbar} \right\} \quad \text{use } e^{i\frac{\pi}{a}a} = -1$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi\hbar a}} e^{-ip\hbar a/\hbar} \cos\left(\frac{pa}{2\hbar}\right) \frac{2\pi/a}{(\pi/a)^2 - (p/\hbar)^2}$$

$$|C(p)|^2 dp = \frac{\cos^2(\frac{pa}{2\hbar}) (4\pi^2/a^2)}{\pi\hbar a} \frac{dp}{[(\pi^2/a^2) - (p/\hbar)^2]^2}$$

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 Prob 5)
 Many notes

b) Is any hamster truly innocent?

5) The solution $\Psi = \frac{u(r)}{r} Y_2(\theta, \phi)$

From Eq. 4.38

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2u}{dr^2} + \left[\alpha \cdot r + \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{2mr^2} \right] u = Eu$$

$$\text{For } l=2 \quad u = a_0 r^3 + a_1 r^4 + a_2 r^5 + a_3 r^6 + \dots$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [3.2a_0 r + 4.3a_1 r^2 + 5.4a_2 r^3 + 6.5a_3 r^4] + \alpha a_0 r^4 + \alpha a_1 r^5 + \alpha a_2 r^6 + \alpha a_3 r^7 \dots$$

$$+\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} [3.2a_0 r + 3.2a_1 r^2 + 3.2a_2 r^3 + 3.2a_3 r^4] = E a_0 r^3 + E a_1 r^4 + E a_2 r^5 + E a_3 r^6 \dots$$

$$O(r^0) \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 3.2a_0 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 3.2a_0 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0 = 1$$

$$O(r^2) \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 4.3a_1 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 3.2a_1 = 0 \Rightarrow a_1 = 0$$

$$O(r^3) \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 5.4a_2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 3.2a_2 = E a_0 \Rightarrow a_2 = -E a_0 / (14\hbar^2/2m) = -E / (14\hbar^2/m)$$

$$O(r^4) \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 6.5a_3 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 3.2a_3 + \alpha a_0 = E a_1 \Rightarrow a_3 = +\alpha / (24\hbar^2/2m)$$

$$O(r^5) \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 7.6a_4 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} 3.2a_4 + \alpha a_1 = E a_2 \Rightarrow a_4 = -E a_2 / (42\hbar^2/m) = E / \left\{ \frac{14\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{42\hbar^2}{2m} \right\}$$

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6) $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$

From Eq. 3.71, $\frac{d\langle \vec{L} \rangle}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [\vec{H}, \vec{L}] \rangle$

$$[\vec{H}, \vec{L}] = [\vec{H}, \vec{r} \times \vec{p}] = [\vec{H}, \vec{r}] \times \vec{p} + \vec{r} \times [\vec{H}, \vec{p}]$$

$$[\vec{H}, \vec{L}] = \left[\frac{P^2}{2m}, \vec{r} \right] \times \vec{p} + \vec{r} \times [V, \vec{p}]$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{im} \vec{p} \times \vec{p} + \vec{r} \times (\frac{i\hbar}{m}(\vec{\nabla}V)) = -i\hbar \vec{r} \times \vec{F}(\vec{r})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\langle \vec{L} \rangle}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} (-i\hbar) \langle \vec{r} \times \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \rangle = \langle \vec{r} \times \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \rangle$$

If V is spherically symmetric $\vec{F} = -\hat{r} \frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$

This gives $\vec{r} \times \hat{r} = 0$

$$\frac{d\langle \vec{L} \rangle}{dt} = 0$$

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Example 3.9

7) $H_{21} = H_{12}^* = 4V^* = 4V$ (V must be real because $H_{ii}^* = H_{ii}$)

To find eigenvalues use $\det \begin{pmatrix} H_{11}-E & H_{12} \\ H_{21} & H_{22}-E \end{pmatrix} = 0$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 3V-E & 4V \\ 4V & -3V-E \end{pmatrix} = (E-3V)(E+3V) - (4V)^2 = E^2 - 9V^2 - 16V^2 = E^2 - 25V^2 = 0$$

$E_{\pm} = \pm 5V$ are eigenvalues

Eigenstate for E_+ $3Vc_1 + 4Vc_2 = 5Vc_1 \Rightarrow 2c_2 = c_1$

$$\text{use } c_1^2 + c_2^2 = 4c_2^2 + c_1^2 = 5c_2^2 = 1 \Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad c_1 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

Eigenstate for E_- $3Vc_1 + 4Vc_2 = -5Vc_1 \Rightarrow c_2 = -2c_1$

$$\text{use } c_1^2 + c_2^2 = c_1^2 + 4c_1^2 = 5c_1^2 = 1 \Rightarrow c_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \quad c_2 = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$E_+ = 5V \quad \Psi_+ = \begin{pmatrix} 2/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_- = -5V \quad \Psi_- = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{5} \\ -2/\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\Psi(0)\rangle = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \Psi_+ + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \Psi_- = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Psi(t) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \Psi_+ e^{-i5Vt/\hbar} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} e^{i5Vt/\hbar}$$

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$$\langle \Psi(t) \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{5} e^{-i\sqrt{t}/\hbar} + \frac{1}{5} e^{i\sqrt{t}/\hbar} \\ \frac{2}{5} e^{-i\sqrt{t}/\hbar} - \frac{2}{5} e^{i\sqrt{t}/\hbar} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{4}{5} e^{-i\sqrt{t}/\hbar} + \frac{1}{5} e^{i\sqrt{t}/\hbar} \\ -\frac{4i}{5} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\hbar}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$