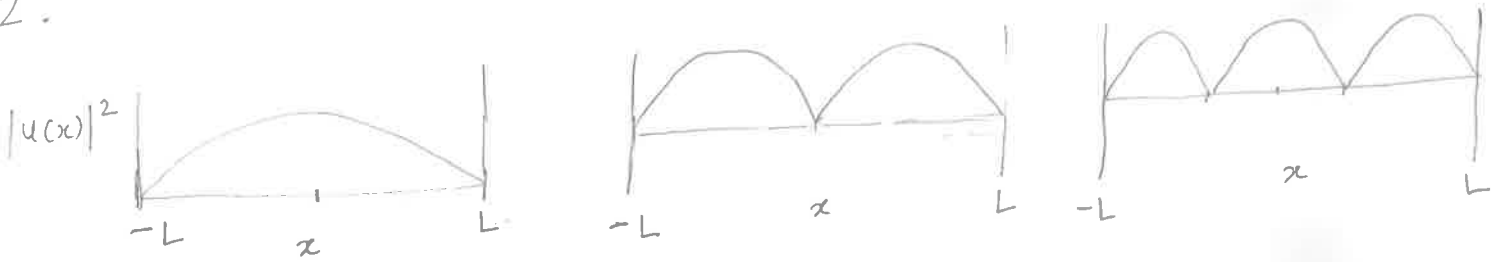


1 (a) 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{O}_2 \varphi \hat{O}_1^\dagger \psi^* dx = \langle \hat{O}_1 \psi | \hat{O}_2 \varphi \rangle$$

(b) 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{O}_1^\dagger \varphi^* \psi dx = \langle \hat{O}_1 \varphi | \psi \rangle$$

(c) 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^* \varphi dx = \langle \varphi | \varphi \rangle$$

2.



3.  $\hat{p}_x = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ ,  $\hat{x} = x$  in position space representation

$$\langle \psi | \hat{p}_x \hat{x} - \hat{x} \hat{p}_x | \psi \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* (-i\hbar) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x\psi) dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* x (-i\hbar) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi dx$$

$$= -i\hbar \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* (\psi + x\psi') dx - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* x \psi' dx \right]$$

$$= -i\hbar \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* \psi dx = -i\hbar \cdot 1 = -i\hbar \quad \therefore [\hat{p}_x, \hat{x}] = -i\hbar$$

4.  $\psi(x) = A_0 e^{ikx} e^{-\alpha x}$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq \infty$ ,

Then,  $\psi^*(x) = A_0^* e^{-ikx} e^{-\alpha x}$

$$\langle p \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} (-i\hbar) \psi^* \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} dx = -i\hbar A_0 A_0^* \int_0^{\infty} e^{-ikx} e^{-\alpha x} [(-\alpha + ik) e^{-\alpha x + ika}] dx$$

$$\langle p \rangle = -i\hbar |A_0|^2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\alpha x} (-\alpha + ik) e^{-\alpha x} dx$$

$$\langle p \rangle = -i\hbar |A_0|^2 (\alpha - ik) \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2\alpha x} dx$$

$$= \frac{i\hbar |A_0|^2 (\alpha - ik)}{2\alpha}$$

$$\langle p \rangle = \frac{|A_0|^2 (k + i\alpha)\hbar}{2\alpha}$$

$\hat{p}$  is a Hermitian operator.  $\therefore \langle p \rangle$  is expected to be a real number. In this problem,  $\langle p \rangle$  is a complex number. The reason is that  $\Psi(x)$  is not a admissible state in Hilbert space. This is because in  $0 \leq x \leq \infty$ ,  $\Psi(x)$  does not go to zero. Especially at  $x=0$ ,  $\Psi(x) \neq 0$ . Hence,  $\langle p \rangle$  becomes a complex number.

5. We are given that  $\hat{H}\phi_1 = E_1\phi_1$  and  $\hat{H}\phi_2 = E_2\phi_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \Psi(x, T) &= e^{-i\hat{H}T/\hbar} \Psi(x, 0) \\ &= e^{-i\hat{H}T/\hbar} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-i\alpha_1} \phi_1(x) + \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} e^{-i\alpha_2} \phi_2(x) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-i\alpha_1} e^{-i\hat{H}T/\hbar} \phi_1(x) + \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} e^{-i\alpha_2} e^{-i\hat{H}T/\hbar} \phi_2(x) \\ \Psi(x, T) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-i\alpha_1} e^{-iE_1T/\hbar} \phi_1(x) + \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} e^{-i\alpha_2} e^{-iE_2T/\hbar} \phi_2(x) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Probability amplitude to be found in state  $\phi_2$  is  $\langle \phi_2 | \Psi(x, T) \rangle$

$$\langle \phi_2 | \Psi(x, T) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-i\alpha_1} e^{-iE_1T/\hbar} \langle \phi_2 | \phi_1 \rangle + \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}} e^{-i\alpha_2} e^{-iE_2T/\hbar} \langle \phi_2 | \phi_2 \rangle$$

The required probability  $|\langle \phi_2 | \Psi(x, T) \rangle|^2 = \frac{a^2}{3}$

Note that  $\langle \phi_2 | \phi_1 \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle \phi_2 | \phi_2 \rangle = 1$ .