

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ a) } \psi_n = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \quad E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2}$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = E\psi \Rightarrow \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} = -k^2\psi \quad k \equiv \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

Solutions:  $\psi(x) = A \sin(kx) + B \cos(kx)$

$$\psi(x=0) = 0 \Rightarrow B = 0$$

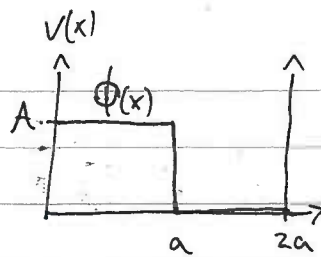
$$\psi(x=a) = 0 \Rightarrow A \sin(ka) = 0 \Rightarrow ka = n\pi \quad n=1,2,3$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{array}{l} \psi(x) = A \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right) \\ E = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2} \end{array}}$$

$$k = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

$$\frac{n\pi}{a} = \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

① b)  $\phi(x) = \begin{cases} A & 0 < x < a \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$



$\Psi(x,t) = ?$

Normalizing  $\phi$ :  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi|^2 dx = 1 = |A|^2 \int_0^a dx = |A|^2 a = 1$   
 $|A|^2 = 1/a \Rightarrow A = 1/\sqrt{a}$

$\Psi(x,t) = \sum_n c_n \Psi_n e^{-iE_n t/\hbar}$

with  $\Psi_n(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2a}\right)$  and

$E_n = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m(2a)^2}$

$c_n = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_n^*(x) \phi(x) dx$

$c_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \int_0^a \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2a}\right) dx = \frac{1}{a} \left[ -\frac{\cos\left(\frac{n\pi x}{2a}\right)}{n\pi/2a} \Big|_0^a \right]$

$= \frac{1}{a} \frac{2a}{n\pi} \left[ -\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) + (1) \right] \Rightarrow c_n = \frac{2}{n\pi} \left( 1 - \cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{2}\right) \right)$

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$$\textcircled{1} \text{c)} \quad E = \frac{9 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{8 m a^2} = \frac{3^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2 m (2a)^2} \quad \text{so } n=3 \quad 4$$

$$\text{Probability } |C_3|^2 = \left| \frac{2}{3\pi} \left( 1 - \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) \right) \right|^2 \quad 3$$

$$|C_3|^2 = \frac{4}{9\pi^2} \quad 3$$

(2) a) Simultaneous eigenfunctions of two operators possible if

10  $[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = 0$  so is  $[L_z, L^2] = 0$  ? 2

$$[L_z, L^2] = [L_z, L_x^2] + [L_z, L_y^2] + [L_z, L_z^2] \quad 1$$

$$[L_z, L_z^2] = 0 \quad 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} [L_z, L_x^2] &= L_z L_x L_x - L_x L_x L_z \quad (+ L_x L_z L_x - L_x L_z L_x) \\ &= L_x (L_z L_x - L_x L_z) + (L_z L_x - L_x L_z) L_x \\ &= L_x [L_z, L_x] + [L_z, L_x] L_x \\ &= L_x (i\hbar L_y) + (i\hbar L_y) L_x \end{aligned}$$

$$[L_z, L_x^2] = i\hbar L_x L_y + i\hbar L_y L_x \quad 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} [L_z, L_y^2] &= L_z L_y L_y - L_y L_y L_z + L_y L_z L_y - L_y L_z L_y \\ &= L_y [L_z, L_y] + [L_z, L_y] L_y \\ &= L_y (-i\hbar L_x) + (-i\hbar L_x) L_y \end{aligned}$$

$$[L_z, L_y^2] = -i\hbar L_y L_x - i\hbar L_x L_y \quad 2$$

So:  $[L_z, L^2] = i\hbar L_x L_y + i\hbar L_y L_x - i\hbar L_y L_x - i\hbar L_x L_y + 0$

$$[L_z, L^2] = 0 \quad // \quad 2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ b) } l=1 \quad m_l = -1, 0, 1 \quad 2$$

A measurement of  $L_z$  (or  $L_x$ ) would result in  $+\hbar$ ,  $0$ , or  $-\hbar$ . 2.5 2.5

$$L_z Y_l^m = \hbar m_l Y_l^m$$

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$$\text{c) } Y(\theta, \phi) = A \sin(\theta) e^{i\phi}$$

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$$L_z Y(\theta, \phi) = \hbar m_l Y(\theta, \phi) \quad 2$$

$$L_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

$$-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} (A \sin\theta e^{i\phi}) = -i\hbar A \sin\theta (i) e^{i\phi} = \hbar A \sin\theta e^{i\phi} \quad 1$$

$$L_z Y = \hbar (1) Y \quad \text{so } \boxed{m_l = +1} \quad 2$$

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② d)  $|\alpha\rangle = |1,1\rangle|1,-1\rangle - |1,-1\rangle|1,1\rangle$

Not normalized. 2

$$2\langle\alpha|\alpha\rangle = \left(\langle 1,1|\langle 1,-1| - \langle 1,-1|\langle 1,1|\right) \left(|1,1\rangle|1,-1\rangle - |1,-1\rangle|1,1\rangle\right) |A|^2$$

$$= \left(\langle 1,1|1,1\rangle\langle 1,-1|1,-1\rangle - \langle 1,1|1,-1\rangle\langle 1,-1|1,1\rangle - \langle 1,-1|1,1\rangle\langle 1,1|1,-1\rangle + \langle 1,-1|1,-1\rangle\langle 1,1|1,1\rangle\right) |A|^2$$

$$= 1 - 0 - 0 + 1 \Rightarrow \langle\alpha|\alpha\rangle = 2|A|^2 \quad 2$$

Normalization constant:

$$\langle\alpha|\alpha\rangle = 1 \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad 2$$

3 e) It is an entangled state. 1.5

A measurement of particle 1 changes the state of particle 2. 1.5

$$\textcircled{3} \text{ a) } H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \quad |\phi_L\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\phi_R\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{b) } H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & T \\ T & \epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \epsilon - E & T \\ T & \epsilon - E \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow (\epsilon - E)^2 - T^2 = 0$$

$$\epsilon - E = \pm T \Rightarrow E = \epsilon \mp T$$

Since  $T < 0$ , the ground state energy is  $E_g = \epsilon + T$  and the excited state energy is  $E_e = \epsilon - T$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & T \\ T & \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = (\epsilon \pm T) \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \epsilon a + T b &= \epsilon a \pm T a \\ T a + \epsilon b &= \epsilon b \pm T b \end{aligned}$$

solutions for  $a=1$   $b=\pm 1$

$$\text{So } |\phi_g\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } |\phi_e\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

or  
normalized:  $|\phi_g\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\phi_L\rangle + |\phi_R\rangle)$ ,  $|\phi_e\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\phi_L\rangle - |\phi_R\rangle)$

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3 c) Yes.  $\langle \phi_L | \hat{A} | \phi_L \rangle = -a$ ,  $\langle \phi_R | \hat{A} | \phi_R \rangle = +a$ , or  $\hat{A} | \phi_L \rangle = -a | \phi_L \rangle$ ,  $\hat{A} | \phi_R \rangle = +a | \phi_R \rangle$

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3 d)  $\hat{H}_1 \Rightarrow | \phi_g \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( | \phi_L \rangle + | \phi_R \rangle )$

Result  $-a$  with prob.  $|\langle \phi_L | \phi_g \rangle|^2 = \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 = \frac{1}{2}$  1.5

Result  $+a$  with prob.  $|\langle \phi_R | \phi_g \rangle|^2 = \frac{1}{2}$  1.5

5 e) After the measurement we have state  $| \phi_L \rangle$ . 2

$$| \phi_g \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( | \phi_L \rangle + | \phi_R \rangle )$$

$$| \phi_e \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( | \phi_L \rangle - | \phi_R \rangle )$$

$$\Rightarrow | \phi_L \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ( | \phi_g \rangle + | \phi_e \rangle )$$

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15 (3) f)  $\langle \hat{A}(t) \rangle = \langle \phi_L | \hat{U}^\dagger \hat{A} \hat{U} | \phi_L \rangle$  3

$$\hat{U} | \phi_L \rangle = e^{-i\hat{H}_0 t / \hbar} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \phi_g \rangle + | \phi_e \rangle) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( e^{-iE_g t / \hbar} | \phi_g \rangle + e^{-iE_e t / \hbar} | \phi_e \rangle \right) \quad 3$$

Define  $\omega_g = \frac{E_g}{\hbar}$  and  $\omega_e = \frac{E_e}{\hbar}$

2  $\langle \hat{A}(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( e^{i\omega_g t} \langle \phi_g | + e^{i\omega_e t} \langle \phi_e | \right) \hat{A} \left( e^{-i\omega_g t} | \phi_g \rangle + e^{-i\omega_e t} | \phi_e \rangle \right)$

$$\hat{A} | \phi_g \rangle = \hat{A} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \phi_L \rangle + | \phi_R \rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-a | \phi_L \rangle + a | \phi_R \rangle) = -a | \phi_e \rangle$$

$$\hat{A} | \phi_e \rangle = \hat{A} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (| \phi_L \rangle - | \phi_R \rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-a | \phi_L \rangle - a | \phi_R \rangle) = -a | \phi_g \rangle$$

2  $\Rightarrow \langle \hat{A}(t) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left( e^{i\omega_g t} \langle \phi_g | + e^{i\omega_e t} \langle \phi_e | \right) \left( -a e^{-i\omega_g t} | \phi_e \rangle - a e^{-i\omega_e t} | \phi_g \rangle \right)$

$$= \frac{-a}{2} \left( e^{i(\omega_g - \omega_e)t} + e^{i(\omega_e - \omega_g)t} \right) = -a \frac{e^{i(\omega_e - \omega_g)t} + e^{-i(\omega_e - \omega_g)t}}{2}$$

$$\boxed{\langle \hat{A}(t) \rangle = -a \cos[(\omega_e - \omega_g)t]} \quad 2$$

The particle "oscillates" between the left and right wells with frequency  $\left( \frac{E_e - E_g}{\hbar} \right)$ . 3