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PHYSICS 606 : Two practice Final Exam questions on new materials

Instructions

1. **Print** your name above.
2. **Ask questions** if you have the slightest doubt as to what you are asked to solve.
3. Indicate which part of the problem you are solving. **Show your work** and **circle your answer**.
4. You may continue your calculations or scratch work on the back of each sheet of paper

NOTE: Some formulas that you may need

$$[x_i, p_j] = i\hbar\delta_{ij} \quad a|n\rangle = \sqrt{n}|n-1\rangle \quad a^\dagger|n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1}|n+1\rangle$$

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}}(a + a^\dagger) \quad p = -i\sqrt{\frac{\hbar m\omega}{2}}(a - a^\dagger) \quad \nabla^2 = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} r - \frac{\mathbf{L}^2/\hbar^2}{r^2}$$

$$e^{\varepsilon A} B e^{-\varepsilon A} = B + \varepsilon[A, B] + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2!}[A, [A, B]] + \frac{\varepsilon^3}{3!}[A, [A, [A, B]]] + \dots$$

$$\langle n'|x^2|n\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \delta_{n',n} + \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \left(\sqrt{n}\sqrt{n-1} \delta_{n',n-2} + \sqrt{n+2}\sqrt{n+1} \delta_{n',n+2} \right)$$

$$\langle n'|x|n\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \left(\sqrt{n} \delta_{n',n-1} + \sqrt{n+1} \delta_{n',n+1} \right) \quad E_N^{(1)} = \langle n|V|n\rangle \quad E_N^{(2)} = \sum_{m \neq n} \frac{|\langle n|V|m\rangle|^2}{\epsilon_n - \epsilon_m}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) P_\ell(\cos\theta) e^{i\delta_\ell} \sin\delta_\ell$$

$$= -\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) P_\ell(\cos\theta) \int_0^\infty r^2 dr v(r) j_\ell(kr) R_\ell(r)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f|^2 \quad k \cot \delta_0 = -\frac{1}{a} \quad j_0(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{x}$$

$$P_{0 \rightarrow n} = \left| \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t dt' e^{i(\epsilon_n - \epsilon_0)t'/\hbar} \langle n|V_{t'}|0\rangle \right|^2$$

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5) Consider the 2D harmonic oscillator,

$$H_0 = \frac{1}{2m}(p_x^2 + p_y^2) + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2(x^2 + y^2)$$

with eigenstates $|n_x, n_y\rangle = |n_x\rangle|n_y\rangle$ and energy

$$E = (n_x + n_y + 1)\hbar\omega.$$

The first excited state is doubly degenerate with states $|1, 0\rangle$ and $|0, 1\rangle$ having the same energy $E_1 = 2\hbar\omega$. If now H_0 is perturbed by an additional potential

$$V = m\omega^2\lambda xy,$$

- a) what are the diagonal and off-diagonal matrix elements $\langle 1, 0|V|1, 0\rangle$, $\langle 0, 1|V|0, 1\rangle$, $\langle 1, 0|V|0, 1\rangle$, and $\langle 0, 1|V|1, 0\rangle$?
- b) What are the eigenvalues of the above V-matrix?
- c) What are the two new, non-degenerate eigenvalues splitted from E_1 ?
- d) Show that if $H_0 + V$ is solved exactly and expanded to first order in λ , one recovers the two values in c).

6) A 1D harmonic oscillator is in its first excited state for $t < 0$. For $t \geq 0$, it is subjected to a time-dependent potential of the form

$$V = (Ax + Bx^2)e^{-\alpha t}$$

Use first order time-dependent perturbation theory and determine in the limit of $t \rightarrow \infty$:

- a) The probability of finding the particle in the ground state.
- b) The probability of finding the particle in the first excited state.
- c) The probability of finding the particle in its second excited state.
- d) The probability of finding the particle in its third excited state.