
Exercises

Exercise 1 :

At time t_0 , the state of the one-dimensional linear harmonic oscillator system is described by $\phi(x, 0) = e^{a^\dagger} \psi_0(x)$; where $\psi_n(x)$ are the eigenfunctions of $H_0 = \hbar\omega(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2})$ corresponding to the eigenvalues $E_n = \hbar\omega(n + \frac{1}{2})$, where n is an integer.

1. What is the normalized wave function at time t ?
2. What is the probability of finding the energy E at time t ?

Exercise 2 :

1. Using the product of Pauli matrices given by the formulae: $\sigma_i \sigma_j = \delta_{ij} + i\epsilon^{ijk} \sigma_k$, show that

$$(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{A})(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}) = \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} + i\vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{A} \wedge \vec{B})$$

when \vec{A} and \vec{B} commute with $\vec{\sigma}$.

2. Find the general form of the free Pauli equation.