

EXEMPELTENTA FUF040, Kvantfysik

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1. A particle with mass m and energy $E = V_0$ is moving in one dimension under the influence of the potential energy:

$$V(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ V_0 & 0 \leq x \leq a \\ 0 & x > a \end{cases}$$

where $V_0 > 0$ is a constant.

- Solve the stationary Schrödinger equation in the three regions, as given above.
 - Use the boundary conditions to obtain the relations between the constants appearing in part a of the problem.
 - What is the probability of transmission for a particle coming from the $x < 0$ region and moving to the right?
2. Determine the expectation values of $\langle x \rangle$, $\langle \hat{p} \rangle$, $\langle x^2 \rangle$, and $\langle \hat{p}^2 \rangle$, for the n th state of the one-dimensional harmonic oscillator, by expressing x and \hat{p} in terms of the creation and annihilation operators. Also, show that Heisenberg's uncertainty principle is satisfied.
3. A hydrogen atom is the mixed state

$$\Psi(r, \theta, \phi, t) = N \left(3e^{-iE_1t/\hbar} \psi_{100} + e^{-iE_2t/\hbar} \psi_{200} \right) \quad (1)$$

where $\psi_{nlm} = R_{nl}(r)Y_l^m(\theta, \phi)$, and E_1 and E_2 are the two consecutively lowest energy levels of the hydrogen atom.

- Determine the normalization constant N .
 - What is the expectation value of the energy, in terms of the lowest energy E_1 ?
 - What is the expectation value of the radial position r ?
4. Prove the following statements:

- The eigenvalues of hermitian operators are real.
- The Hamiltonian operator

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + V(x) \quad (2)$$

is hermitian.

- $[x^n, \hat{p}] = i\hbar n x^{n-1}$.

5. An electron is in the spin state

$$\chi = A \begin{pmatrix} 3i \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3)$$

in the basis of the eigenstates of \hat{S}_z .

- (a) Normalize the state.
- (b) Determine the eigenstates of

$$\hat{S}_y \rightarrow \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

- (c) Express the electron spin state χ in terms of the eigenstates from (b).
 - (d) What is the probability to find the electron in the spin-down state, if you measure \hat{S}_y ?
6. A particle is moving in a potential $V(\mathbf{r})$.

- (a) Show
- (b) Derive the relation between the time change of the *expectation value* of the angular momentum \mathbf{L} and the *expectation value* of the torque $\mathbf{N} = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{r} \times (-\nabla V)$.
- (c) What happens with the evolution of the expectation value of the angular momentum when the potential V is spherically symmetric?

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