

Advanced Quantum Mechanics

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Harmonic Oscillator part3: Lets solve:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[\hat{a}_+^2 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-^2 \right] \left[1 + 2 + 1 + 0 + \dots \right] = \left(\hat{a}_+^2 1 + \hat{a}_+^2 2 + \hat{a}_+^2 1 + \hat{a}_+^2 0 \right) + \\
 & + \left(\hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 1 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 2 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 1 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 0 \right) + \left(\hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 1 + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 2 + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 1 + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 0 \right) \\
 & + \left(\hat{a}_-^2 1 + \hat{a}_-^2 2 + \hat{a}_-^2 1 + \hat{a}_-^2 0 \right) = \\
 & = \left(\sqrt{6}3 + \sqrt{12}4 + \sqrt{6}3 + \sqrt{2}2 \right) + \left(1 + \sqrt{4}2 + 1 + 0 + \right) + \\
 & + \left(\sqrt{4}1 + \sqrt{9}2 + \sqrt{4}1 + 0 \right) + \left(0 + \sqrt{2}0 + 0 + 0 \right) = \\
 & = 2\sqrt{6}3 + \sqrt{12}4 + (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{4} + \sqrt{9})2 + (2\sqrt{4} + 2)1 + (1 + \sqrt{2})0 \\
 & = 2\sqrt{6}3 + 2\sqrt{3}4 + (\sqrt{2} + 5)2 + 61 + (1 + \sqrt{2})0
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally our equation is:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{6} \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \left[1+2+1+0+\dots \right] \left[2\sqrt{6}3+2\sqrt{3}4+(\sqrt{2}+5)2+61+(1+\sqrt{2})0 \right] = \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \left[(611 + (\sqrt{2} + 5)22 + 611 + (1 + \sqrt{2})00) \right] = \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \left[18 + 2(\sqrt{2}) \right] = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} \left[9 + (\sqrt{2}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\langle \hat{x}^2 \rangle = \int \Psi^* \hat{x}^2 \Psi dx = \Psi \hat{x}^2 \Psi = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} \left[9 + (\sqrt{2}) \right]}$$

Now, lets find σ_x :

$$\langle \hat{x} \rangle = \frac{2 + 2\sqrt{2}}{3} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \hat{x}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} [9 + (\sqrt{2})]$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\langle \hat{x}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{x} \rangle^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6} \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} [9 + (\sqrt{2})] - \frac{12 + 8\sqrt{2}}{9} \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}}$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\langle \hat{x}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{x} \rangle^2} = \sqrt{\frac{(15 - 5\sqrt{2})\hbar}{18m\omega}}$$

We found that $\hat{p} = i\sqrt{\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2}} [\hat{a}_+ - \hat{a}_-]$ lets use it:

$$\langle \hat{x} \rangle = \int \Psi^* \hat{x} \Psi dx = \Psi \hat{x} \Psi =$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} [1 + 2 + 1 + 0 + \dots] i\sqrt{\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2}} [\hat{a}_+ - \hat{a}_-] [1 + 2 + 1 + 0 + \dots] =$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} i\sqrt{\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2}} [1 + 2 + 1 + 0 + \dots] [\hat{a}_+1 + \hat{a}_+2 + \hat{a}_+1 + \hat{a}_+0 - \hat{a}_-1 - \hat{a}_-2 - \hat{a}_-1 - \hat{a}_-0]$$

using the relation $\hat{a}_+ n = \sqrt{n+1} n + 1$ and $\hat{a}_- n = \sqrt{n} n - 1$:

$$= \frac{1}{6} i \sqrt{\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2}} [1+2+1+0] [\sqrt{2}2 + \sqrt{3}3 + \sqrt{2}2 + 1 - 0 - \sqrt{2}1 - 0 - 0] =$$

$$\frac{1}{6} i \sqrt{\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2}} [2(1 - \sqrt{2})11 + 2\sqrt{2}22 - 200] = 0$$

$$\langle \hat{p} \rangle = 0$$

Find $\langle \hat{p}^2 \rangle$ First lets find what is \hat{p}^2 :

$$\hat{p}^2 = \left(i \sqrt{\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2}} [\hat{a}_+ - \hat{a}_-] \right)^2 = -\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2} [\hat{a}_+^2 - \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- - \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-^2]$$

Now we can write:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \hat{p}^2 \rangle &= \int \Psi^* \hat{p}^2 \Psi dx = \Psi \hat{x}^2 \Psi = \\
 &= -\frac{1}{6} \frac{m\omega\hbar}{2} [1+2+1+0+\dots] [\hat{a}_+^2 - \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- - \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-^2] [1+2+1+0+\dots]
 \end{aligned}$$

Lets solve:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left[\hat{a}_+^2 - \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- - \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-^2 \right] \left[1+2+1+0+\dots \right] = \left(\hat{a}_+^2 1 + \hat{a}_+^2 2 + \hat{a}_+^2 1 + \hat{a}_+^2 0 \right) - \\
 & - \left(\hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 1 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 2 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 1 + \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- 0 \right) - \left(\hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 1 + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 2 + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 1 + \hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ 0 \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\hat{a}_-^2 1 + \hat{a}_-^2 2 + \hat{a}_-^2 1 + \hat{a}_-^2 0 \right) = \\
 & = \left(\sqrt{63} + \sqrt{124} + \sqrt{63} + \sqrt{22} \right) - \left(1 + \sqrt{42} + 1 + 0 + \right) - \\
 & \quad - \left(\sqrt{41} + \sqrt{92} + \sqrt{41} + 0 \right) + \left(0 + \sqrt{20} + 0 + 0 \right) = \\
 & = 2\sqrt{63} + \sqrt{124} + (\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{9})2 + (-2 - 2\sqrt{4})1 + (-1 + \sqrt{2})0 = \\
 & \quad = 2\sqrt{63} + 2\sqrt{34} + (\sqrt{2} - 5)2 - 61(\sqrt{2} - 1)0
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally our equation is:

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\frac{1}{6} \frac{m\omega\hbar}{2} [1+2+1+0+\dots] [2\sqrt{6}3+2\sqrt{3}4+(\sqrt{2}-5)2-61+(\sqrt{2}-1)0] = \\ &= -\frac{1}{6} \frac{m\omega\hbar}{2} [-611+(\sqrt{2}-5)22-611+(\sqrt{2}-1)00] = -\frac{m(-18+2\sqrt{2})\omega\hbar}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\langle \hat{p}^2 \rangle = \frac{(9-\sqrt{2})m\omega\hbar}{6}}$$

lets find σ_p

$$\sigma_p = \sqrt{\langle \hat{p}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{p} \rangle^2} = \sqrt{\frac{(9 - \sqrt{2})m\omega\hbar}{6}}$$

Lets check the uncertainty principle $\sigma_x\sigma_p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$

$$\sigma_x\sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{(15 - 5\sqrt{2})\hbar}{18m\omega}} \sqrt{\frac{(9 - \sqrt{2})m\omega\hbar}{6}}$$