

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \hbar/2$$

SHO energy eigenstate

$$|n\rangle = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$E_n = (n + 1/2) \hbar \omega$$

$$\text{For } |n\rangle \quad \Delta x \Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{2} (2n+1)$$

$n=0$ saturates the inequality

can we find states of SHO for which $\Delta x \Delta p = \hbar/2$

Generalize $a|0\rangle = 0$

$|0\rangle$ is an eigenvector of a
eigenvalue 0

claim: if we can find states $|\lambda\rangle$

$$a|\lambda\rangle = \lambda|\lambda\rangle$$

$\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ then $\Delta x \Delta p = \hbar/2$ for these states

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not Hermitian, so λ doesn't have to be \mathbb{R}
 λ will have min. $\Delta x \Delta p$

$$\langle \lambda | a^\dagger = \langle \lambda | \lambda^*$$

assume $\langle \lambda | \lambda \rangle = 1$

looking for expectation values

$$\langle \lambda | a + a^\dagger | \lambda \rangle = \langle \lambda | \lambda + \lambda^* | \lambda \rangle = \lambda + \lambda^*$$

$$x \sim (a + a^\dagger)$$

$$\langle \lambda | a - a^\dagger | \lambda \rangle = \langle \lambda | \lambda - \lambda^* | \lambda \rangle = \lambda - \lambda^*$$

$$p \sim (a - a^\dagger)$$

$$\langle \lambda | (a + a^\dagger)(a + a^\dagger) | \lambda \rangle = \langle \lambda | (a + \lambda^*)(\lambda + a^\dagger) | \lambda \rangle$$

$$= \langle \lambda | a\lambda + \lambda^*\lambda + a a^\dagger + \lambda^* a^\dagger | \lambda \rangle$$

$$= \langle \lambda | \lambda^2 + \lambda^*\lambda + \lambda^{*2} + a^\dagger a + [a, a^\dagger] | \lambda \rangle = (\lambda + \lambda^*)^2 + 1$$

$$\langle \lambda | (a - a^\dagger)(a - a^\dagger) | \lambda \rangle = (\lambda - \lambda^*)^2 - 1$$

$$(\Delta x)^2 = \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \left(\langle \lambda | (a+a^\dagger)^2 | \lambda \rangle - (\langle \lambda | (a+a^\dagger) | \lambda \rangle)^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \left((1+\lambda^*)^2 - 1 - (\lambda+\lambda^*)^2 \right) = \frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}$$

$$(\Delta p)^2 = -\frac{m\omega\hbar}{2} \left((1-\lambda^*)^2 - 1 - (\lambda-\lambda^*)^2 \right) = \frac{m\omega\hbar}{2}$$

$$(\Delta x)^2 (\Delta p)^2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \rightarrow \Delta x \Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

$$| \lambda \rangle = c(\lambda) \exp(\lambda a^\dagger) | 0 \rangle$$

claim $a | \lambda \rangle = \lambda | \lambda \rangle$

$$a | \lambda \rangle = c(\lambda) \cdot a \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n (a^\dagger)^n}{n!} | 0 \rangle$$

$$| n \rangle = \frac{(a^\dagger)^n}{\sqrt{n!}} | 0 \rangle$$

$$= c(\lambda) \cdot a \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{\sqrt{n!}} | n \rangle$$

$$= c(\lambda) \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n \sqrt{n!}}{\sqrt{n!}} | n-1 \rangle$$

$a | n \rangle = \sqrt{n} | n-1 \rangle$
get rid of $n=0$ also $=0$

$$= c(\lambda) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n \lambda^{n-1}}{\sqrt{(n-1)!}} | n-1 \rangle$$

$$= \lambda e^{\lambda a^\dagger} | 0 \rangle = \lambda | \lambda \rangle$$

physical interpretation of \hat{q}

$$\hat{x} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} (a+a^\dagger)$$

$$\hat{p} = -i \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m\omega}{2}} (a-a^\dagger)$$

$$\langle \lambda | \hat{x} | \lambda \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \langle \lambda | a+a^\dagger | \lambda \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} (\lambda+\lambda^*) = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} 2\text{Re}[\lambda]$$

$$\langle \lambda | \hat{p} | \lambda \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}} 2 \operatorname{Im}[\lambda]$$

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{m \omega}{2 \hbar}} \langle \lambda | \hat{x} | \lambda \rangle + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2 m \omega \hbar}} \langle \lambda | \hat{p} | \lambda \rangle$$

$|\lambda, t\rangle \rightarrow$ solⁿ to time dependent SE
 $i \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\lambda, t\rangle = H |\lambda, t\rangle$

$$|\lambda\rangle = C(\lambda) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

$E_n = (n + 1/2) \hbar \omega$
 $H |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$

$$|\lambda, t\rangle = C(\lambda) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{\sqrt{n!}} e^{-i E_n t / \hbar} |n\rangle$$

$$= C(\lambda) e^{-i \omega t / 2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda e^{-i \omega t})^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

$$= C(\lambda) e^{-\frac{i \omega t}{2}} \exp(\lambda e^{-i \omega t} a^\dagger) |0\rangle$$

time dependence from $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda e^{-i \omega t}$

$$\langle \hat{x} \rangle + i \langle \hat{p} \rangle$$

classically,

$$x = x_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$p = m x_0 \omega \sin(\omega t)$$

$$\langle \lambda | \lambda \rangle = 1$$

$$|\lambda\rangle = C(\lambda) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

$$\langle \lambda | = C^*(\lambda) \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{*m}}{\sqrt{m!}} \langle m |$$

$$\langle \lambda | \lambda \rangle = \sum_n \sum_m |C(\lambda)|^2 \langle m | \frac{\lambda^{*m}}{\sqrt{m!}} \frac{\lambda^n}{\sqrt{n!}} |n\rangle$$

$$= |C(\lambda)|^2 \sum_n \sum_m \frac{\lambda^{*n} \lambda^n}{n!}$$

orthonormal

$$= |C(x)|^2 e^{\alpha^* x} = |C(y)|^2 e^{1/\alpha^2}$$

to be normalized, $C(y) = e^{-1/\alpha^2}$

$$|\lambda\rangle = e^{-1/\alpha^2} e^{\alpha a^\dagger} |0\rangle$$