

Exam 2 solutions

1) a) $\sqrt{j(j+1)} = \sqrt{(m+1)(m+2)} \sqrt{j(j+1)-m(m+1)} A^2 = \sqrt{2} h^2$

b) $[p, x^2] = px^2 - x^2 p = -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx} x^2 = -2i\hbar x$

c) $W = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & \gamma \\ 0 & \gamma & \delta \end{pmatrix}$

$[x, p] = i\hbar$
 $[p, f] = -i\hbar f'$

2) a) $|2\rangle = -\sin\theta |e\rangle + \cos\theta |\mu\rangle$

b) $\psi(0) = |\mu\rangle = \cos\theta |2\rangle + \sin\theta |1\rangle$

$$\psi(t) = \cos\theta e^{-iE_2 t} |2\rangle + \sin\theta e^{-iE_1 t} |1\rangle$$

$$\langle e | \psi(t) \rangle = -\sin\theta \cos\theta e^{-iE_2 t} + \sin\theta \cos\theta e^{-iE_1 t}$$

$$|\langle e | \psi(t) \rangle|^2 = \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta / e^{-iE_1 t} - e^{-iE_2 t} / 2$$

3) $E_m' = E_m + \langle m | V | m \rangle$

$-3/2$	$-3/2 \mu B + Q/8$
$-1/2$	$-1/2 \mu B - Q/8$
$+1/2$	$1/2 \mu B - Q/8$
$3/2$	$-3/2 \mu B + Q/8$

4) $A^\dagger A = \left(\frac{-ip}{\hbar 2m} + W \right) \left(\frac{ip}{\hbar 2m} + W \right)$

$$= \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{i}{\hbar 2m} \underbrace{(WP - PW)}_{i\hbar W'} + W^2$$

$$= \frac{p^2}{2m} + W^2 - \frac{\hbar W'}{\sqrt{2m}} = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V$$

so $V = W^2 - \frac{\hbar W'}{\sqrt{2m}}$

$$5) H = \hbar\omega(a^\dagger a + 1/2 + \alpha(\frac{a+a^\dagger}{r_2})^4)$$

$$\langle 0 | V | 0 \rangle = \frac{3\alpha}{4} \quad \langle 2 | V | 0 \rangle = \frac{3\alpha}{r_2} \quad \langle 4 | V | 0 \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\alpha$$

$$\Delta E = \frac{3\alpha}{4} + \frac{\frac{9\alpha^2}{4}}{-2} + \frac{\frac{3\alpha^2}{2}}{-4} = \frac{3\alpha}{4} - \frac{21\alpha^2}{8}$$

rest in Mathematica

5a

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a[t[b_. ket[n_]] := b Sqrt[n+1] ket[n+1]
a[b_. ket[n_]] := b Sqrt[n] ket[n-1]
x[b_. ket[n_]] := (a[b ket[n]] + a[t[b ket[n]]])
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                           Sqrt[2]
x[c_. (a_ + b_)] = c x[a] + c x[b]
c x[a] + c x[b]
x[x[ket[0]]] // Simplify
1/2 (ket[0] + Sqrt[2] ket[2])
x[x[x[x[ket[0]]]]] // Simplify // Expand
3 ket[0]/4 + 3 ket[2]/Sqrt[2] + Sqrt[3/2] ket[4]
Collect[(3 α)/4 + ((3 α)/(Sqrt[2]))^2/(-2) + ((Sqrt[3/2] α)^2)/(-4) // Simplify, α]
3 α/4 - 21 α^2/8

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5b

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Clear[x]
(a = Table[{{Sqrt[i], j == i - 1, {j, 0, 4}, {i, 0, 4}}], 0}, 0, Sqrt[2], 0, 0)
{{0, 1, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, Sqrt[2], 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, Sqrt[3], 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 2}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 0}}
(a[t = Table[{{Sqrt[i + 1], j == i + 1, {j, 0, 4}, {i, 0, 4}}], 0}, 0, Sqrt[2], 0, 0)
{{0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, Sqrt[2], 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, Sqrt[3], 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 2, 0}}

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$$\left(\mathbf{x} = \frac{(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}^\dagger)}{\sqrt{2}} \right) // \text{MatrixForm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} & 0 & \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{V} = \alpha \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}) // \text{Simplify} // \text{MatrixForm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3\alpha}{4} & 0 & \frac{3\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha \\ 0 & \frac{15\alpha}{4} & 0 & 5\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 0 \\ \frac{3\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{39\alpha}{4} & 0 & \frac{9\sqrt{3}\alpha}{2} \\ 0 & 5\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 0 & \frac{55\alpha}{4} & 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 0 & \frac{9\sqrt{3}\alpha}{2} & 0 & 7\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{V} + \text{DiagonalMatrix}[\text{Range}[0, 4]]) // \text{MatrixForm}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3\alpha}{4} & 0 & \frac{3\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha \\ 0 & 1 + \frac{15\alpha}{4} & 0 & 5\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 0 \\ \frac{3\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 2 + \frac{39\alpha}{4} & 0 & \frac{9\sqrt{3}\alpha}{2} \\ 0 & 5\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 0 & 3 + \frac{55\alpha}{4} & 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 0 & \frac{9\sqrt{3}\alpha}{2} & 0 & 4 + 7\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

5c reorder

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in = {2, 4, 1, 3, 5};
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(H = H[[in, in]]) // MatrixForm
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{15\alpha}{4} & 5\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & 3 + \frac{55\alpha}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3\alpha}{4} & \frac{3\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} & 2 + \frac{39\alpha}{4} & \frac{9\sqrt{3}\alpha}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\alpha & \frac{9\sqrt{3}\alpha}{2} & 4 + 7\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

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in = {3, 4, 5};
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eval = Eigenvalues[H[[in, in]]]
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{Root[-96\alpha - 300\alpha^2 + (128 + 920\alpha + 225\alpha^2)\#1 + (-96 - 280\alpha)\#1^2 + 16\#1^3 &, 1],  
Root[-96\alpha - 300\alpha^2 + (128 + 920\alpha + 225\alpha^2)\#1 + (-96 - 280\alpha)\#1^2 + 16\#1^3 &, 2],  
Root[-96\alpha - 300\alpha^2 + (128 + 920\alpha + 225\alpha^2)\#1 + (-96 - 280\alpha)\#1^2 + 16\#1^3 &, 3]}
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Plot[{eval[[1]],  $\frac{3\alpha}{4} - \frac{21\alpha^2}{8}$ }, {\alpha, 0, .2}]
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