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Mathematical Foundations of Quantum Theory (M331) questions:

Answer as you can:

1.a	Find the adjoint operator \hat{A}^+ if $\hat{A} = \frac{d}{dx}$ defined on L_2 i.e. $\hat{A}\varphi(x) = \frac{d}{dx}\varphi(x)$ with the boundary condition $\varphi(\pm\infty) = 0$.
1.b	Show that: the eigenvalues of a unitary operator are complex numbers of unit modulus and its eigenvectors corresponding to unequal eigenvalues are mutually orthogonal?
1.c	A particle of mass μ and energy E approaches a square potential barrier $U(x) = 0, x < 0$ and $U(x) = U_0, x \geq 0$ where $U_0 > 0$ from the left. Find the reflection coefficient R if $E < U_0$. Determine x_{eff} ?
2.a	State the postulates of quantum mechanics.
2.b	A particle of mass μ is located in a unidimensional square potential well with impenetrable walls $0 < x < l$. The Hamiltonian of the particle comprise a discrete spectrum i.e. $\hat{H}\varphi_n(x) = E_n\varphi_n(x)$ where $\varphi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{l}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right), 0 < x < l, E_n = \frac{n^2\pi^2\hbar^2}{2\mu l^2}, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ Find the normed state function $\psi(x, t)$ at $t > 0$, if $\psi(x, 0) = Ax(l - x), 0 < x < l$. If at $t = 0$, the energy is measured . determine the probability of the particle being in the n^{th} level. Hence calculate the probability for the first three levels?

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إجابة السؤال 1.a:

Proof: To obtain the adjoint operator, we take the inner product

$$(\hat{A}\phi, \psi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\hat{A}\phi(x))^* \psi(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dx} \phi(x)^* \psi(x) dx \quad \text{then by partial integration}$$

let $u = \psi(x)$ and $dv = \frac{d}{dx} \phi(x)^* dx$ this leads to $du = d\psi(x)$, $v = \phi(x)^*$ then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dx} \phi(x)^* \psi(x) dx = \psi(x) \phi(x)^* \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(x)^* \left(\frac{d}{dx} \psi(x) \right) dx . \text{ From the boundary condition}$$

$$\phi(\pm\infty) = 0 \quad \text{then} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dx} \phi(x)^* \psi(x) dx = 0 + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(x)^* \left(-\frac{d}{dx} \psi(x) \right) dx = (\phi, \left(-\frac{d}{dx} \right) \psi) = (\phi, \hat{A}^+ \psi)$$

$$\therefore \hat{A}^+ = -\frac{d}{dx}.$$

إجابة السؤال 1.b:

Proof:

Let \hat{U} be a unitary operator. Let $\hat{U}\psi_i = \lambda_i \psi_i$; $\psi_i \neq 0$ and $\hat{U}\psi_j = \lambda_j \psi_j$; $\psi_j \neq 0$ where

$\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ for $i \neq j$. Now

$$(\hat{U}\psi_j, \hat{U}\psi_i) = \lambda_j^* \lambda_i (\psi_j, \psi_i) \quad (i)$$

by definition

$$(\hat{U}\psi_j, \hat{U}\psi_i) = (\psi_j, \psi_i) \quad (ii)$$

from (i) and (ii)

$$(1 - \lambda_i \lambda_j^*) (\psi_j, \psi_i) = 0 \quad (iii)$$

if $i = j$ in (iii) then $(1 - \lambda_i \lambda_i^*) (\psi_i, \psi_i) = 0$

$$\text{Since } (\psi_i, \psi_i) \neq 0 \text{ then } (1 - \lambda_i \lambda_i^*) = 0 \Rightarrow |\lambda_i|^2 = 1 \quad \therefore |\lambda_i| = 1$$

Thus the eigenvalues are complex numbers of unit modulus.

if $i \neq j$ in (iii) then $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ by assumption

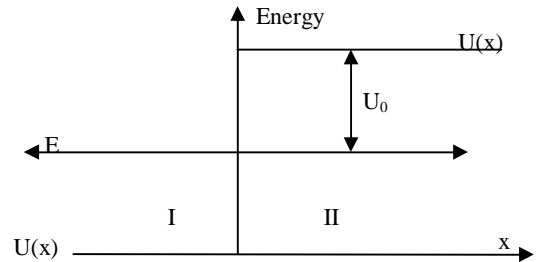
$$\text{Since } (\psi_i, \psi_i) \neq 0 \text{ then } (1 - \lambda_i \lambda_i^*) = 0 \Rightarrow |\lambda_i|^2 = 1 \quad \therefore |\lambda_i| = 1$$

$$\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j \Rightarrow \lambda_i \lambda_j^* \neq \lambda_j \lambda_j^* = |\lambda_j|^2 = 1 \text{ then } \lambda_i \lambda_j^* \neq 1$$

$$\text{from (iii)} \Rightarrow (\psi_j, \psi_i) = 0$$

Therefore, eigenvectors corresponding to unequal eigenvalues are mutually orthogonal.

إجابة السؤال 1.c:



The energy equation or Shrodinger equation may be written as:

$$\left[\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{2\mu}{\hbar} (E - U(x)) \right] \psi_E = 0 \quad (1)$$

Eqn(1) is

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \psi_I'' + k_0^2 \psi_I &= 0, & k_0 &= \frac{1}{\hbar} \sqrt{2\mu E}, & x < 0 \\ \psi_{II}'' - \aleph^2 \psi_{II} &= 0, & \aleph &= \frac{1}{\hbar} \sqrt{2\mu(U_0 - E)}, & x \geq 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2)$$

The general solution of system (2) is

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \psi_I(x) &= A \exp(ik_0 x) + B \exp(-ik_0 x), & x < 0 \\ \psi_{II}(x) &= C \exp(\aleph x) + D \exp(-\aleph x), & x \geq 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (3)$$

Since $\psi(x)$ has finite modulus for all x , then C must vanish.

Continuity Conditions

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \psi_I(0) &= \psi_{II}(0) \Rightarrow A + B = D \\ \psi_I'(0) &= \psi_{II}'(0) \Rightarrow k_0 A - k_0 B = i\aleph D \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4)$$

From (4)

$$B = \left(\frac{k_0 - i\aleph}{k_0 + i\aleph} \right) A \quad \text{and} \quad D = \left(\frac{2k_0}{k_0 + i\aleph} \right) A \quad \text{Thus (3) becomes}$$

$$\psi_E(x) = A \begin{cases} \exp(ik_0 x) + \left(\frac{k_0 - i\aleph}{k_0 + i\aleph} \right) \exp(-ik_0 x) & x < 0 \\ \left(\frac{2k_0}{k_0 + i\aleph} \right) \exp(-\aleph x) & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

From the values for A and B with equation (3), one gets

$$j_{inc} = \frac{\hbar k_0}{\mu} |A|^2, \quad J_{ref} = -\frac{\hbar k_0}{\mu} |B|^2 \quad \therefore R = \left| \frac{B}{A} \right|^2 = \left| \frac{k_0 - i\aleph}{k_0 + i\aleph} \right|^2 = 1$$

Thus for energy region all incident particles are reflected.

And for finding the effective penetration depth x_{eff} in this case

$$\therefore |\psi(x)|_{x_{eff}}^2 = \frac{1}{e} |\psi(x)|_{x=0}^2 \quad \text{where the barrier at } x = 0$$

$$\text{With } \psi(x) = A \left(\frac{2k_0}{k_0 + i\aleph} \right) \exp(-\aleph x), \quad \aleph = \frac{1}{\hbar} \sqrt{2\mu(U_0 - E)}$$

$$\therefore \left| \frac{2k_0}{k_0 + i\aleph} A \exp(-\aleph x) \right|_{x_{eff}}^2 = \frac{1}{e} \left| \frac{2k_0}{k_0 + i\aleph} A \exp(-\aleph x) \right|_{x=0}^2$$

$$\frac{4k_0^2}{k_0^2 + \aleph^2} A^2 \exp(-2\aleph x_{eff}) = \frac{1}{e} \frac{4k_0^2}{k_0^2 + \aleph^2} A^2$$

$$-2\aleph x_{eff} = \ln\left(\frac{1}{e}\right) = -1 \quad \Rightarrow x_{eff} = \frac{1}{2\aleph}$$

إجابة السؤال 2.a:

*The postulates of quantum mechanics are:

1)-Postulate I: Every physical state of a dynamical system (a particle) is represented at a given instant of time t by normed vector $|\psi\rangle_t$ in H . It is assumed that the state vector contains all the information which one can know about the state of the system at that instant of time. ψ and $e^{i\delta}\psi$ where $\delta^* = \delta$ represent the same physical state.

2)- Postulate II: To every dynamical variable A there corresponds an observable \hat{A} . The observable \hat{x} and \hat{p} must satisfy $[\hat{x}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar$. The rules for constructing the observable \hat{A} corresponding to the dynamical variable A , in the x -rep are as follows:

$$(i) x \rightarrow \hat{x} = x, t \rightarrow \hat{t} = t, p \rightarrow \hat{p} = -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}$$

$$(ii) A(x, p, t) \rightarrow \hat{A} = A(x, -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}, t).$$

3)- Postulate III: If a particle is in state $|\psi\rangle_t$, a measurement of a dynamical variable A which is represented by the observable \hat{A}

$$\hat{A}|\varphi_n\rangle = a_n|\varphi_n\rangle, \langle\varphi_n|\varphi_n\rangle = \delta_{nm}, \hat{1}_a = \sum_i |\varphi_i\rangle\langle\varphi_i| \text{ will}$$

*yield one of the eigenvalues a_i with probability

$$\rho_\psi(a_i) = \frac{|\langle\varphi_i|\psi\rangle|^2}{\langle\psi|\psi\rangle}$$

** If the result of measurement is a_k , then the state of the system will change from $|\psi\rangle$ to $|\varphi_k\rangle$ as a result of measurement.

4)- Postulate IV: The state function $\psi(x, t)$ describing the state of a dynamical system whose Hamiltonian is \hat{H} obeys the following "Schrodinger time-dependent" equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(x, t) = \hat{H} \psi(x, t)$$

إجابة السؤال 2.b:

$$\because \psi(x, 0) = Ax(l - x), \quad 0 < x < l$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\psi(x, 0)\|^2 = 1 = \langle\psi(x, 0)|\psi(x, 0)\rangle = \int_0^l |A|^2 x^2 (l - x)^2 dx = 1$$

$$\therefore A = \sqrt{\frac{30}{l^5}} \Rightarrow \psi(x, 0) = \sqrt{\frac{30}{l^5}} x(l - x) \text{ (normalized).}$$

For finding $\psi(x, t)$ then

$$\psi(x,t) = \sum_n \exp(-iE_n t / \hbar) \phi_n(x) \langle \phi_n(x) | \psi(x,0) \rangle$$

$$\therefore \langle \phi_n(x) | \psi(x,0) \rangle = \int_0^l \phi_n^*(x) \psi(x,0) dx = \sqrt{\frac{60}{l^6}} \int_0^l \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right) x(l-x) dx$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{60}{l^6}} \left[\int_0^l lx \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right) dx - \int_0^l x^2 \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right) dx \right]$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{60}{l^6}} \left[\frac{-2l^3}{(n\pi)^3} (\cos\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right)) \Big|_0^l \right] = \frac{2\sqrt{60}}{(n\pi)^3} [1 - (-1)^n]$$

$$\therefore \langle \phi_n(x) | \psi(x,0) \rangle = \begin{cases} \frac{4\sqrt{60}}{(n\pi)^3} & n = 1,3,5,\dots\text{odd} \\ 0 & n = 0,2,4,\dots\text{even} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \psi(x,t) = \sum_n \exp(-iE_n t / \hbar) \phi_n(x) \cdot \frac{4\sqrt{60}}{(n\pi)^3} \quad 0 < x < l \quad , n = 1,3,5,\dots$$

$$= \frac{8\sqrt{30}}{\pi^3 \sqrt{l}} \sum_n \frac{1}{n^3} \exp(-iE_n t / \hbar) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right) \quad 0 < x < l \quad , n \text{ odd}$$

For finding the probability for particles that exist in the n level

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\psi(x,0)}(E_n) &= |\langle \phi_n(x) | \psi(x,0) \rangle|^2 = \left| \int_0^l \phi_n^*(x) \psi(x,0) dx \right|^2 \\ &= \left| \int_0^l \sqrt{\frac{2}{l}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi}{l}x\right) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{30}{l^5}} (xl - x^2) dx \right|^2 = \frac{240}{(n\pi)^6} |1 - (-1)^n|^2, \quad n \text{ odd} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{960}{(n\pi)^6} & n = 1,3,5,\dots \\ 0 & n = 0,2,4,\dots \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_{\psi(x,0)}(E_1) = \frac{960}{\pi^6}, \quad \rho_{\psi(x,0)}(E_2) = 0, \quad \rho_{\psi(x,0)}(E_3) = \frac{960}{(3\pi)^6}.$$
