

Physics 443, Solutions to PS 7

1. Griffiths 4.50

The singlet configuration state is

$$\begin{aligned} |\chi\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_1 \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_2 - \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_1 \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle_2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\chi_+\rangle |\chi_-\rangle - |\chi_-\rangle |\chi_+\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

where that second equation defines the abbreviated notation $|\chi_+\rangle$ and $|\chi_-\rangle$.

$$\langle S_a^{(1)} S_b^{(2)} \rangle = \langle \chi | \hat{a} \cdot \vec{S}^{(1)} \hat{b} \cdot \vec{S}^{(2)} | \chi \rangle$$

In spherical coordinates the unit vector in the θ, ϕ direction is $\hat{r} = \sin \theta \cos \phi \hat{i} + \sin \theta \sin \phi \hat{j} + \cos \theta \hat{k}$. Let's choose \hat{a} to be along the z -direction. Then $\theta = \phi = 0$ and $\hat{a} = \hat{k}$. And choose \hat{b} to be in the x - y plane at an angle θ with respect to the z -direction so that $\phi = 0$. Then $\hat{b} = \sin \theta \hat{i} + \cos \theta \hat{k}$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} \langle S_a^{(1)} S_b^{(2)} \rangle &= \langle \chi | \hat{a} \cdot \vec{S}^{(1)} \hat{b} \cdot \vec{S}^{(2)} | \chi \rangle \\ &= \langle \chi | S_z^{(1)} (\sin \theta S_x^{(2)} + \cos \theta S_z^{(2)}) | \chi \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\langle \chi_+^1 | \langle \chi_-^2 | - \langle \chi_-^1 | \langle \chi_+^2 | \right) | S_z^{(1)} (\sin \theta S_x^{(2)} + \cos \theta S_z^{(2)}) | \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|\chi_+\rangle |\chi_-\rangle - |\chi_-\rangle |\chi_+\rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \left(\langle \chi_+^1 | \langle \chi_-^2 | - \langle \chi_-^1 | \langle \chi_+^2 | \right) | S_z^{(1)} S_x^{(2)} | \left(|\chi_+\rangle |\chi_-\rangle - |\chi_-\rangle |\chi_+\rangle \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta \left(\langle \chi_+^1 | \langle \chi_-^2 | - \langle \chi_-^1 | \langle \chi_+^2 | \right) | S_z^{(1)} S_z^{(2)} | \left(|\chi_+\rangle |\chi_-\rangle - |\chi_-\rangle |\chi_+\rangle \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \cos \theta \left(2 \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \right) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{4} \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

We have used the fact that $\langle \chi_{\pm} | S_z | \chi_{\pm} \rangle = \pm \hbar/2$ and $\langle \chi_{\pm} | S_x | \chi_{\pm} \rangle = \langle \chi_{\pm} | \frac{\hbar}{2} | \chi_{\mp} \rangle = 0$.

2. Griffiths 4.59

To determine the time rate of change of expectation values we use

$$\frac{d\langle Q \rangle}{dt} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, Q] \rangle + \left\langle \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} \right\rangle$$

(a) We have that

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A})^2 - q\phi = \frac{1}{2m} (p^2 - q\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A} - q\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p} + q^2 A^2) + q\phi$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\langle \mathbf{r} \rangle}{dt} &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, \mathbf{r}] \rangle \\ &= \left\langle \frac{1}{2m} \left([p^2, \mathbf{r}] - q[\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{r}] - q[\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}] + q^2[A^2, \mathbf{r}] + q[\phi, \mathbf{r}] \right) \right\rangle\end{aligned}$$

Let's look at the commutators one at a time. (Sum over pairs of indices)

$$\begin{aligned}[p^2, \mathbf{r}] &= [p_i p_i, x_j] \hat{x}_j = p_i [p_i, x_j] \hat{x}_j + [p_i, x_j] p_i \hat{x}_j \\ &= -2i\hbar p_i \delta_{ij} \hat{x}_j = -2i\hbar \mathbf{p}\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}[\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{r}] &= [p_i A_i, x_j] \hat{x}_j = p_i [A_i, x_j] \hat{x}_j + [p_i, x_j] A_i \hat{x}_j \\ &= -i\hbar \delta_{ij} A_i \hat{x}_j = -i\hbar \mathbf{A}\end{aligned}\quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}[\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r}] &= [A_i p_i, x_j] \hat{x}_j = A_i [p_i, x_j] \hat{x}_j + [A_i, x_j] p_i \hat{x}_j = \\ &= -i\hbar A_i \delta_{ij} \hat{x}_j = -i\hbar \mathbf{A}\end{aligned}\quad (3)$$

$$[A^2, \mathbf{r}] = A_i [A_i, x_j] \hat{x}_j + [A_i, x_j] A_i \hat{x}_j = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$[\phi, \mathbf{r}] = 0 \quad (5)$$

Putting the pieces together we get

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{i}{\hbar} [H, \mathbf{r}] &= \frac{i}{2m\hbar} (-2i\hbar \mathbf{p} + qi\hbar \mathbf{A} + qi\hbar \mathbf{A}) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} (\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A})\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle}{dt} &= \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, \frac{1}{m} (\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A})] \rangle + \frac{1}{m} \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A}) \rangle \\ &= \frac{i}{2m^2\hbar} \left([p^2, \mathbf{p}] - q[\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{p}] - q[\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}] + q^2[A^2, \mathbf{p}] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + -q[p^2, \mathbf{A}] + q^2[\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}] + q^2[\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{A}] - q^3[A^2, \mathbf{A}] \right) - \frac{iq}{m\hbar} (\langle [\phi, \mathbf{p}] \rangle - q\langle [\phi, \mathbf{A}] \rangle)\end{aligned}$$

Let's collect terms and write

$$\frac{i}{\hbar} [H, \frac{1}{m} (\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A})] = \frac{i}{2m^2\hbar} (-qI_1 + q^2I_2) - \frac{iq}{m\hbar} I_3$$

i I_1 includes the terms with one power of \mathbf{A} and 2 powers of \mathbf{p}

$$I_1 = [p^2, \mathbf{A}] + [\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{p}] + [\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}]$$

ii I_2 has the terms with 2 powers of \vec{A} and one power of \mathbf{p}

$$I_2 = [\mathbf{A}^2, \mathbf{p}] + [\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}] + [\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{A}]$$

iii And finally I_3 is the term with ϕ and \mathbf{p}

$$I_3 = [\phi, \mathbf{p}]$$

All of the other terms are zero.

Let's see what we can do with I_1

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= [p^2, \mathbf{A}] + [\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{p}] + [\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}] \\ &= [p_i p_i, A_j] \hat{x}_j + [p_i A_i, p_j] \hat{x}_j + [A_i p_i, p_j] \hat{x}_j \\ &= (p_i [p_i, A_j] + [p_i, A_j] p_i + p_i [A_i, p_j] + [A_i, p_j] p_i) \hat{x}_j \end{aligned}$$

Now we need

$$\begin{aligned} [p_i, A_j] \psi &= (p_i A_j - A_j p_i) \psi \\ &= (p_i A_j) \psi + A_j p_i \psi - A_j p_i \psi \\ &= (p_i A_j) \psi \\ &= -i\hbar \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} \psi \end{aligned}$$

Then I_1 becomes

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= -\hbar^2 \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right) \hat{x}_j \\ &= -\hbar^2 \left(\nabla^2 A_j - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{A}) + (\vec{\nabla} A_j) \cdot \vec{\nabla} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial x_j} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \right) \hat{x}_j \\ &= -\hbar^2 \left(-\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A}) + (\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A}) \times \vec{\nabla} \right) \hat{x}_j \\ &= i\hbar (\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{p}) \hat{x}_j \end{aligned}$$

In the last step we used the vector identity

$$\vec{\nabla} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A}) = -\nabla^2 \mathbf{A} + \vec{\nabla} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{A})$$

and note that

$$\left((\vec{\nabla} A_j) \cdot \vec{\nabla} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial x_j} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \right) \hat{x}_j = ((\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A}) \times \vec{\nabla}) \hat{x}_j$$

Next we evaluate I_2

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= [\mathbf{A}^2, \mathbf{p}] + [\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{A}] + [\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{A}] \\ &= (A_i[A_i, p_j] - [p_j, A_i]A_i - [A_j, p_i]A_i - A_i[p_i, A_j]) \hat{x}_j \\ &= -i\hbar \left(-A_i \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_j} A_i + \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} + A_i \frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \hat{x}_j \\ &= -i\hbar \left(A_i \left(\frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_j} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial A_j}{\partial x_i} - \frac{\partial A_i}{\partial x_j} \right) A_i \right) \hat{x}_j \\ &= -i\hbar (\mathbf{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A}) - (\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A}) \times \mathbf{A}) \hat{x}_j \\ &= i\hbar (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{A}) = 2i\hbar \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} \end{aligned}$$

And

$$I_3 = i\hbar \vec{\nabla} \phi$$

Putting the pieces together we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [H, \frac{1}{m}(\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A})] \rangle &= \frac{i}{2m^2\hbar} (-qI_1 + q^2I_2) - \frac{iq}{m\hbar} I_3 \\ &= \frac{i}{2m^2\hbar} (-qi\hbar(\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{p}) + q^2(2i\hbar \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B})) + \frac{q}{m} \vec{\nabla} \phi \\ &= \frac{q}{2m^2} (\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{p}) - \frac{q^2}{m^2} (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) + \frac{q}{m} \vec{\nabla} \phi \end{aligned}$$

And finally

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle}{dt} &= \frac{q}{2m^2} \langle (\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{p}) - \frac{q^2}{m^2} (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \rangle + \frac{q}{m} \langle (\vec{\nabla} \phi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t}) \rangle \\ &= \frac{q}{2m^2} \langle (\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{p}) - \frac{q^2}{m^2} (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) \rangle + \frac{q}{m} \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- (c) If \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B} are uniform over the volume where the wave function is non zero then, \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{B} commute and there is a sign change due to reversing the order of the cross product. That is:

$$\mathbf{p} \times (\mathbf{B}\psi) = \frac{\hbar}{i} \vec{\nabla} \times (\mathbf{B}\psi) = -\frac{\hbar}{i} \left((\vec{\nabla} \times \mathbf{B})\psi - \mathbf{B} \times (\vec{\nabla}\psi) \right) = -\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{p}\psi$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 m \frac{d\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle}{dt} &= \frac{q}{m} \langle \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{B} \rangle - \frac{q^2}{m} \langle \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} \rangle + \frac{q}{m} \langle \mathbf{E} \rangle \\
 &= \frac{q}{m} \langle (\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A}) \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{E} \rangle \\
 &= q \langle \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{E} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Griffiths 4.61

(a) The effect of the gauge transformation on the electric field is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{E} &= -\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \\
 \mathbf{E}' &= -\nabla\phi' - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}'}{\partial t} \\
 &= -\nabla\left(\phi - \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial t}\right) - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} - \frac{\partial \nabla \Lambda}{\partial t} \\
 &= -\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} \\
 &= \mathbf{E}
 \end{aligned}$$

The effect of the gauge transformation on the magnetic field is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{B} &= \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \\
 \mathbf{B}' &= \nabla \times \mathbf{A}' \\
 &= \nabla \times (\mathbf{A} + \nabla \Lambda) \\
 &= \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \\
 &= \mathbf{B}
 \end{aligned}$$

where we use the fact that $\nabla \times (\nabla \Lambda) = 0$.

(b) We aim to show that if

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla - q\mathbf{A} \right)^2 + q\phi \right] \Psi \tag{6}$$

then

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla - q\mathbf{A}' \right)^2 + q\phi' \right] \Psi'$$

where

$$\Psi' = e^{q\Lambda/\hbar}\Psi$$

and

$$\phi' \equiv \phi - \frac{\partial\lambda}{\partial t}, \quad \mathbf{A}' = \mathbf{A} + \nabla\Lambda$$

Substitution into Schrodinger's equation gives

$$LHS = \left[\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla - q(\mathbf{A} + \nabla\Lambda) \right)^2 + q\left(\phi - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}\right) \right] \Psi e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \quad (7)$$

Taking the derivative on the left hand side of Equation 1 we get

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} = e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \left(-q \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t} + i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \Psi \quad (8)$$

On the right hand side we get

$$\begin{aligned} RHS &= \frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla - q(\mathbf{A} + \nabla\Lambda) \right) e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla + q\nabla\Lambda - q(\mathbf{A} + \nabla\Lambda) \right) \Psi \\ &\quad + q\left(\phi - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}\right) \Psi e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \\ &= \frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla - q(\mathbf{A} + \nabla\Lambda) \right) e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla + -q\mathbf{A} \right) \Psi + q\left(\phi - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}\right) \Psi e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \\ &= e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \left[\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla + q\nabla\Lambda - q(\mathbf{A} + \nabla\Lambda) \right) \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla + -q\mathbf{A} \right) \Psi + q\left(\phi - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}\right) \Psi \right] \\ &= e^{iq\Lambda/\hbar} \left[\frac{1}{2m} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla - q\mathbf{A} \right) \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla + -q\mathbf{A} \right) \Psi + q\left(\phi - \frac{\partial\Lambda}{\partial t}\right) \Psi \right] \end{aligned}$$

Setting the *LHS* equal to the *RHS* we recover Equation 6.

4. Griffiths 5.1

(a) If

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2 \quad \text{and} \quad (9)$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{m_1\mathbf{r}_1 + m_2\mathbf{r}_2}{m_1 + m_2} \quad (10)$$

then solving for \mathbf{r}_1 in terms of \mathbf{R} and \mathbf{r} gives $\mathbf{r}_1 = \mathbf{R} + (\mu/m_1)\mathbf{r}$ and solving for \mathbf{r}_2 gives $\mathbf{r}_2 = \mathbf{R} - (\mu/m_2)\mathbf{r}$. If

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_1 &= \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1} \\ \nabla_r &= \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \nabla_R &= \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial X} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial Y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial Z}\end{aligned}$$

then

$$\nabla_{1x} = \frac{\partial X}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial X} + \frac{\partial x}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

From Equation 9 we get that $\frac{\partial x}{\partial x_1} = 1$ and from 10 that $\frac{\partial X}{\partial x_1} = \frac{m_1}{m_1+m_2}$ so that

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{1x} &= \frac{m_1}{m_1+m_2} \nabla_{Rx} + \nabla_{rx} \\ &= \frac{\mu}{m_2} \nabla_{Rx} + \nabla_{rx}\end{aligned}$$

and similarly for the y and z components. And so

$$\nabla_1 = \frac{\mu}{m_2} \nabla_R + \nabla_r$$

Meanwhile Equation 9 gives $\frac{\partial x}{\partial x_2} = -1$, and 10 that $\frac{\partial X}{\partial x_2} = \frac{m_1}{m_1+m_2}$ so that

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{2x} &= \frac{m_1}{m_1+m_2} \nabla_{Rx} - \nabla_{rx} \\ &= \frac{\mu}{m_1} \nabla_{Rx} - \nabla_{rx} \\ \rightarrow \nabla_2 &= \frac{\mu}{m_1} \nabla_R - \nabla_r\end{aligned}$$

(b) The two particle Schrodinger equation is

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_1} \nabla_1^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_2} \nabla_2^2 + V(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) \right] \psi = E\psi$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_1} \left(\frac{\mu}{m_2} \nabla_R + \nabla_r \right)^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_2} \left(\frac{\mu}{m_1} \nabla_R - \nabla_r \right)^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) \right] \psi = E\psi \\ & \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_1} \left(\left(\frac{\mu}{m_2} \right)^2 \nabla_R^2 + \nabla_r^2 \right) - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_2} \left(\left(\frac{\mu}{m_1} \right)^2 \nabla_R^2 + \nabla_r^2 \right) + V(\mathbf{r}) \right] \psi = E\psi \\ & \left[-\frac{\hbar^2 \mu^2}{2m_1 m_2} \left(\frac{1}{m_2} + \frac{1}{m_1} \right) \nabla_R^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \left(\frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2} \right) \nabla_r^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) \right] \psi = E\psi \\ & \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2(m_1 + m_2)} \nabla_R^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \nabla_r^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) \right] \psi = E\psi \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Separate the variables so that $\psi(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = \psi_R(\mathbf{R})\psi_r(\mathbf{r})$, substitute into the Schrodinger equation and divide by ψ and we get

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2(m_1 + m_2)} \frac{\nabla_R^2 \psi_R}{\psi_R} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\nabla_r^2 \psi_r}{\psi_r} + V(\mathbf{r}) = E$$

The first term depends only on \mathbf{R} and the second and third only on \mathbf{r} so

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2(m_1 + m_2)} \nabla_R^2 \psi_R = E_R \psi_R \\ & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \nabla_r^2 \psi_r + V(\mathbf{r}) \psi_r = E_r \psi_r \\ & \text{and } E = E_R + E_r \end{aligned}$$

5. Entangled States

- (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 1G2G | \psi \rangle &= 0 \\ \rightarrow 0 &= \langle 1G2G | 1R1G \rangle \alpha + \langle 1G2G | 1G1R \rangle \beta + \langle 1G2G | 1G1G \rangle \gamma \\ 0 &= \langle 1G | 1R \rangle \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \alpha + \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 2G | 1R \rangle \beta + \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \gamma \\ \Rightarrow 0 &= \langle 2G | 1R \rangle \beta + \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \gamma \end{aligned}$$

where we use the fact that $\langle 1G | 1G \rangle = 1$, and $\langle 1G | 1R \rangle = 0$. Similarly

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle 2G1G | \psi \rangle &= 0 \\
\rightarrow 0 &= \langle 2G1G | 1R1G \rangle \alpha + \langle 2G1G | 1G1R \rangle \beta + \langle 2G1G | 1G1G \rangle \gamma \\
0 &= \langle 2G | 1R \rangle \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \alpha + \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \langle 1G | 1R \rangle \beta + \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \gamma \\
\Rightarrow 0 &= \langle 2G | 1R \rangle \alpha + \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \gamma
\end{aligned}$$

For future reference, we have that

$$\alpha = \beta = -\gamma \frac{\langle 2G | 1G \rangle}{\langle 2G | 1R \rangle} \quad (11)$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{p} &= \langle 2G2G | \psi \rangle \\
&= \langle 2G | 1R \rangle \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \alpha + \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \langle 2G | 1R \rangle \beta + \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \langle 2G | 1G \rangle \gamma \\
&= -\gamma \langle 2G | 1G \rangle^2 - \gamma \langle 2G | 1G \rangle^2 + \gamma \langle 2G | 1G \rangle^2 \\
&= -\gamma \langle 2G | 1G \rangle^2
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used Equation 11. Finally, since $|\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 + |\gamma|^2 = 1$ we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
1 &= \gamma^2 \left[2 \left| \frac{\langle 2G | 1G \rangle}{\langle 2G | 1R \rangle} \right|^2 + 1 \right] \\
\Rightarrow \gamma^2 &= \frac{|\langle 2G | 1R \rangle|^2}{2|\langle 2G | 1G \rangle|^2 + |\langle 2G | 1R \rangle|^2}
\end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned}
p &= \gamma^2 \left(|\langle 2G | 1G \rangle|^2 \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{|\langle 2G | 1R \rangle|^2 \left(|\langle 2G | 1G \rangle|^2 \right)^2}{2|\langle 2G | 1G \rangle|^2 + |\langle 2G | 1R \rangle|^2} \quad (12)
\end{aligned}$$

Since (we are given)

$$\begin{aligned}
|2G\rangle &= q^{\frac{1}{2}} |1G\rangle + \sqrt{1-q} |1R\rangle \\
|2R\rangle &= q^{\frac{1}{2}} |1R\rangle - \sqrt{1-q} |1G\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

we get that

$$\langle 1G | 2G \rangle = \sqrt{q} \quad (13)$$

$$\langle 1R | 2G \rangle = \sqrt{1-q} \quad (14)$$

$$\langle 1G | 2R \rangle = -\sqrt{1-q} \quad (15)$$

$$\langle 1R | 2R \rangle = q^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (16)$$

Then substitution of Equations 13 - 16 into 12 gives

$$p = \frac{(1-q)q^2}{2q+1-q} = \frac{(1-q)^2q^2}{1-q^2}$$

(c) To maximize p with respect to q set

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{d}{dq} \left(\frac{(1-q)^2q^2}{1-q^2} \right) \\ &= \left(2q(1-q)^2 - 2q^2(1-q) + \frac{q^2(1-q)^2(2q)}{1-q^2} \right) \frac{1}{1-q^2} \\ \Rightarrow 0 &= \left((1-q) - q + \frac{q^2}{1+q} \right) \\ \Rightarrow 0 &= (1-2q)(1+q) + q^2 = 1 - q - q^2 \\ \Rightarrow q &= -\frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \sqrt{5}) \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

But $q > 0$ so we choose the + sign and the q that minimizes p is $q \equiv z = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5} - 1)$. For future reference note that

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma^2 &= \frac{|\langle 2G | 1R \rangle|^2}{2|\langle 2G | 1G \rangle|^2 + |\langle 2G | 1R \rangle|^2} \\ &= \frac{1-q}{2q+1-q} = \frac{1-q}{1+q} \\ \alpha^2 &= \beta^2 = \gamma^2 \left| \frac{\langle 2G | 1G \rangle}{\langle 2G | 1R \rangle} \right|^2 = \frac{1-q}{1+q} \frac{q}{1-q} \end{aligned}$$

Then when p is maximized so that $z = q$ and $1 - z = z^2$ and $1 + z = z/(1 - z)$ (which follows from Equation 17)

$$|\langle 1G1G | \psi \rangle| = |\alpha \langle 1G | 1R \rangle \langle 1G | 1G \rangle + \beta \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 1G | 1R \rangle + \gamma \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 1G | 1G \rangle|^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \gamma^2 = \frac{1-z}{1+z} = z^3 \\
|\langle 1G1R | \psi \rangle &= |\alpha \langle 1G | 1R \rangle \langle 1R | 1G \rangle + \beta \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 1R | 1R \rangle + \gamma \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 1R | 1G \rangle|^2 \\
&= \beta^2 = \frac{z}{1+z} = z^2 \\
|\langle 1R1G | \psi \rangle &= |\alpha \langle 1R | 1R \rangle \langle 1G | 1G \rangle + \beta \langle 1R | 1G \rangle \langle 1G | 1R \rangle + \gamma \langle 1R | 1G \rangle \langle 1G | 1G \rangle|^2 \\
&= \alpha^2 = z^2 \\
|\langle 1R1R | \psi \rangle &= |\alpha \langle 1R | 1R \rangle \langle 1R | 1G \rangle + \beta \langle 1R | 1G \rangle \langle 1R | 1R \rangle + \gamma \langle 1R | 1G \rangle \langle 1R | 1G \rangle|^2 \\
&= 0 \\
|\langle 1G2G | \psi \rangle &= |\alpha \langle 1G | 1R \rangle \langle 2G | 1G \rangle + \beta \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 2G | 1R \rangle + \gamma \langle 1G | 1G \rangle \langle 2G | 1G \rangle|^2 \\
&= |\beta \sqrt{1-z} + \gamma \sqrt{z}|^2 \\
&= \left| -\gamma \sqrt{\frac{z}{1-z}} \sqrt{1-z} + \gamma \sqrt{z} \right|^2 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

etc.