## Chapter 3

Problem 3.4

(b)  $\alpha$  real.

(c) When they commute.

Problem 3.5

(a) 
$$x, -i, -\left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)$$
  
(b)  $a_{-}$ .

### Problem 3.6

The Hermitian operator  $\hat{Q}$  has eigenvalues  $-n^2$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$  with normalized eigenfunctions  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{\pm in\phi}$ . The spectrum is discrete and each eigenvalue with n > 0 is doubly degenerate while the eigenvalue 0 is non-degenerate.

#### Problem 3.7

(b)  $\sinh(x)$  and  $\cosh(x)$ .

#### Problem 3.9

- (a) Infinite square well.
- (b Potential barrier.
- (c) Delta function well.

#### Problem 3.11

$$\Phi(p,t) = \frac{1}{(\pi m \hbar \omega)^{1/4}} \exp\left\{-\frac{p^2}{2m \hbar \omega} - i\omega t/2\right\}$$

Probability for getting a momentum value outside the classical range is 0.16.

Problem 3.17

- (a)  $\frac{d}{dt}\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = 0.$
- (b)  $\frac{d}{dt}\langle H\rangle = 0.$
- (c)  $\frac{d\langle x\rangle}{dt} = \frac{\langle p\rangle}{m}$ .

(d) 
$$\frac{d\langle p \rangle}{dt} = \langle -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \rangle$$

Problem 3.18

$$\sigma_H = \frac{1}{2}(E_2 - E_1), \ \sigma_x^2 = \frac{a^2}{4} \left[ \frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{4\pi^2} - \left(\frac{32}{9\pi^2}\right)^2 \cos(3\omega t) \right], \ \frac{d\langle x \rangle}{dt} = \frac{8\hbar}{3ma} \sin(3\omega t).$$

Problem 3.23

Eigenvalues are 
$$\pm \sqrt{2}E$$
. Eigenvectors are  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2(2\mp\sqrt{2})}} \left[ |1\rangle + (\pm\sqrt{2}-1)|2\rangle \right]$ .  
$$H = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1\\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Problem 3.27

(a)  $\psi_1$ .

- (b)  $b_1$  with probability 9/25 and  $b_2$  with probability 16/25.
- (c)  $\frac{337}{625}$ .

Problem 3.37

(a) 
$$e^{-ict/\hbar} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}$$
.  
(b)  $e^{-iat/\hbar} \begin{pmatrix} -i\sin(bt/\hbar)\\0\\\cos(bt/\hbar) \end{pmatrix}$ .