

Ex 4.16

(a). If we measure energy, there will be 3 possible outcomes:

$$E_1 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2. \quad P(E_1) = \frac{4}{4+3+4} = \frac{4}{11}.$$

$$E_2 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{a}\right)^2. \quad P(E_2) = \frac{3}{4+3+4} = \frac{3}{11}$$

$$E_3 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{3\pi}{a}\right)^2. \quad P(E_3) = \frac{4}{4+3+4} = \frac{4}{11}.$$

$$\langle E \rangle = E_1 P(E_1) + E_2 P(E_2) + E_3 P(E_3).$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{4}{11} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{2\pi}{a}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{3}{11} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{3\pi}{a}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{4}{11}$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 \left[\frac{4}{11} + 4 \cdot \frac{3}{11} + 9 \cdot \frac{4}{11} \right].$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{52}{11}$$

$$= \frac{26\hbar^2}{11} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 //$$

(b) $\psi(x, t)$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{7a}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) e^{-i\frac{\hbar}{2m} \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 t} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{7a}} \sin$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{7a}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) e^{-i\frac{E_1}{\hbar} t} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{7a}} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} e^{-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar} t}$$

$$+ \frac{2}{\sqrt{7a}} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} e^{-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar} t}.$$

$$P(E_3) = \langle E_3 | \psi(x, t) \rangle.$$

$$= \frac{3}{4+3+4} = \frac{3}{11} //$$

(c). Let us first normalize the wave function:

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(x, t=0) &= \sqrt{\frac{4}{11}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{11}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{4}{11}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{6}{11a}} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\psi(x, t) = \sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} e^{-i\frac{E_1}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{6}{11a}} e^{-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} e^{-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a}.$$

$$\therefore P(x, t) = \psi^*(x, t) \psi(x, t).$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{8}{11a} \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{a} + \frac{6}{11a} \sin^2 \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \frac{8}{11a} \sin^2 \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &+ \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \left(e^{i\frac{(E_2-E_1)}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} + e^{-i\frac{(E_2+E_1)}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \right) \\ &+ \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \left(e^{i\frac{(E_3-E_1)}{\hbar}t} + e^{-i\frac{(E_3+E_1)}{\hbar}t} \right) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &+ \frac{\sqrt{64}}{11a} \left(e^{i\frac{(E_3-E_2)}{\hbar}t} + e^{-i\frac{(E_3+E_2)}{\hbar}t} \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &= \frac{8}{11a} \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{a} + \frac{6}{11a} \sin^2 \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \frac{8}{11a} \sin^2 \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &+ \frac{2\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cos \frac{(E_2-E_1)}{\hbar}t \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \\ &+ \frac{2\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cos \frac{(E_3-E_1)}{\hbar}t \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &+ \frac{2\sqrt{64}}{11a} \cos \frac{(E_3-E_2)}{\hbar}t \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} //\end{aligned}$$

$$j(x,t) = \frac{i\hbar}{cm} (\psi \frac{d\psi^*}{dx} - \psi^* \frac{d}{dx} \psi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \frac{d}{dx} \psi^* &= \left[\sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} e^{-i\frac{E_1}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{6}{11a}} e^{-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} e^{-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \right] \\ &\quad \times \left[\sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} \frac{\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{E_1}{\hbar}t} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{6}{11a}} \frac{2\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{8}{11a}} \frac{3\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \right] \\ &= \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a} + \frac{6}{11a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &\quad + \cancel{\sqrt{\frac{64}{11a}} e^{i\frac{(E_2-E_1)}{\hbar}t}} + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{(E_2-E_1)}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{(E_3-E_1)}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &\quad + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \frac{\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{(E_1-E_2)}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a} + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{(E_2-E_2)}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &\quad + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{(E_1-E_3)}{\hbar}t} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a} + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} e^{i\frac{(E_1-E_3)}{\hbar}t} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \frac{d\psi^*}{dx} - \psi^* \frac{d\psi}{dx} &= 2i \left[\frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_2-E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_3-E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \right. \\ &\quad + \cancel{\frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_1-E_2}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a}} + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_3-E_2}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \cancel{\sin \left(\frac{E_1-E_3}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a}} + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_2-E_3}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} j(x,t) &= -\frac{\hbar}{m} \left[\frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_2-E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_3-E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \right. \\ &\quad + \cancel{\frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_1-E_2}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a}} + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_3-E_2}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_1-E_3}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{\pi x}{a} + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{11a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin \left(\frac{E_2-E_3}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a} \right]. // \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d(j(x))}{dx} = & -\frac{t}{m} \left[\sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_1}{h}\right) t \cos\frac{\pi x}{a} \cos\frac{2\pi x}{a} - \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \left(\frac{2\pi}{a}\right)^2 \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_1}{h}\right) + \right. \\
& + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_1}{h}\right) t \cos\frac{\pi x}{a} \cos\frac{3\pi x}{a} - \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \left(\frac{3\pi}{a}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_1}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \\
& + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_2}{h}\right) t \cos\frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos\frac{\pi x}{a} - \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_2}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \\
& + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_2}{h}\right) t \cos\frac{2\pi x}{a} \cos\frac{3\pi x}{a} - \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \left(\frac{3\pi}{a}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_2}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \\
& + \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \frac{\pi}{a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_3}{h}\right) t \cos\frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos\frac{\pi x}{a} - \frac{8}{11a} \cdot \left(\frac{\pi}{a}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_3}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \\
& \left. + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \frac{2\pi}{a} \cdot \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_3}{h}\right) t \cos\frac{3\pi x}{a} \cos\frac{\pi x}{a} - \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \cdot \left(\frac{2\pi}{a}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_3}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{t}{m} \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \left(\frac{2\pi}{a} \right)^2 \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \right. \\
= & \frac{t}{m} \left[\sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \left(\frac{2\pi}{a} \right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_1}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} + \frac{8}{11a} \left(\frac{3\pi}{a} \right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_1}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \right. \\
& + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_2}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \left(\frac{3\pi}{a} \right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_2}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \\
& \left. + \frac{8}{11a} \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_3}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \left(\frac{2\pi}{a} \right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_3}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d^2(j(x))}{dx^2} = & \frac{t}{m} \left[\sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \left(\left(\frac{2\pi}{a} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \right) \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_1}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \right. \\
& + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} \left(\left(\frac{3\pi}{a} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{2\pi}{a} \right)^2 \right) \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_2}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \\
& \left. + \frac{8}{11a} \left(\left(\frac{3\pi}{a} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{\pi}{a} \right)^2 \right) \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_3}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
= & \frac{2}{t} \left[\sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} (E_2-E_1) \sin\left(\frac{E_2-E_1}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \right. \\
& + \sqrt{\frac{48}{11a}} (E_3-E_2) \sin\left(\frac{E_3-E_2}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \\
& \left. + \frac{8}{11a} (E_1-E_3) \sin\left(\frac{E_1-E_3}{h}\right) t \sin\frac{\pi x}{a} \sin\frac{3\pi x}{a} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{df}{dt} &= -2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{48}}{\pi a} \cdot \frac{(E_2 - E_1)}{\hbar} \sin \left(\frac{E_2 - E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \\
&\quad - 2 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{48}}{\pi a} \cdot \frac{(E_3 - E_2)}{\hbar} \sin \left(\frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\
&\quad - 2 \cdot \frac{8}{\pi a} \cdot \frac{(E_3 - E_1)}{\hbar} \sin \left(\frac{E_3 - E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \\
&= -\frac{2}{\hbar} \left[\frac{\sqrt{48}}{\pi a} (E_2 - E_1) \sin \left(\frac{E_2 - E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{\sqrt{48}}{\pi a} (E_3 - E_2) \sin \left(\frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{8}{\pi a} (E_3 - E_1) \sin \left(\frac{E_3 - E_1}{\hbar} t \right) \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{a} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\frac{df}{dt} + \frac{d\vec{j}}{dx}} = 0.$$