

Chem 2430 HW#3 Answers

2. $\langle 0 | x^3 | 1 \rangle$

$$\langle 0 | (a^\dagger + a)^3 | 1 \rangle = \langle 0 | a a a^\dagger | 1 \rangle + \langle 0 | a a^\dagger a | 1 \rangle$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \sqrt{2} \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1} \sqrt{1} \sqrt{1} = 3$$

$$\langle 0 | x^3 | 1 \rangle = 3 \left(\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \right)^{3/2}$$

$\langle 0 | x^3 | 3 \rangle$

$$\langle 0 | (a^\dagger + a)^3 | 3 \rangle = \langle 0 | a a a | 3 \rangle = \sqrt{1} \sqrt{2} \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\langle 0 | x^3 | 3 \rangle = \sqrt{6} \left(\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \right)^{3/2}$$

$\langle 0 | x^4 | 0 \rangle$

$$\langle 0 | (a^\dagger + a)^4 | 0 \rangle = \langle 0 | a a a^\dagger a^\dagger | 0 \rangle + \langle 0 | a a^\dagger a a^\dagger | 0 \rangle$$

$$= 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$\langle 0 | x^4 | 0 \rangle = 3 \left(\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega} \right)^2$$

$\langle 0 | \hat{p}_x^2 | 0 \rangle$

$$\langle 0 | (a^\dagger - a)^2 | 0 \rangle = \langle 0 | -a a^\dagger | 0 \rangle = -1$$

$$\langle 0 | \hat{p}_x^2 | 0 \rangle = \frac{\hbar m \omega}{2}$$

1. $U = A/R^{12} - B/R^6$, $R_e = (2A/B)^{1/6}$

Series expansion about $R_e = -\frac{B A}{4A} + 9B^3 \left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^{2/3} \left(R - \left(\frac{2A}{B}\right)^{1/6}\right)^2 +$

$$k = 18 B^3 \left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^{2/3}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{k/m}$$