

Home Work Oct 5 perturbation theory

1. Using the particle in a box wavefunction

$$\psi_n^0(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin \frac{n\pi}{L} x$$
$$E_n^0 = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2}{8mL^2} = \frac{n^2 \eta^2 \pi^2}{2mL^2}$$

Solve for the first order corrected wavefunction for the n=1 and n=2 state for the following perturbation where L=1 atomic unit length and V<sub>0</sub>=10 atomic unit energy and mass m=1 atomic unit weight.

$$H' = \frac{V_0 x}{L} \quad \text{for } 0 < x < L$$

And plot it in excel file. For the summation in k use up to 11 zeroth order wave functions. What is the physical meaning of the change in wavefunction shape?

$$|n^1\rangle = \sum_{k \neq n} \frac{\langle k^0 | (\hat{H}') | n^0 \rangle}{(E_n^0 - E_k^0)} |k^0\rangle$$
$$|n\rangle = |n^0\rangle + |n^1\rangle$$