

Uncertainty Principle in Gaussian wave packets $\Rightarrow$

Gaussian wave function

$$\psi(x) = \underbrace{\left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/4}}_{\text{constant}} \underbrace{e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{a^2}}}_{\text{G. Wave}} \underbrace{e^{\frac{i p_0 x}{\hbar}}}_{\text{oscillatory function}}$$

$$\Delta x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi^* x \psi dx$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x |\psi(x)|^2 dx$$

$$|\psi(x)|^2 = \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2}$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x_0 + x) \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x-x_0) e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx}_{\text{function is odd, therefore it will be zero}} + x_0 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx$$

$$\langle x \rangle = 0 + x_0 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx$$

$$\langle x \rangle = x_0 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} \sqrt{\pi \times \frac{a^2}{2}} \quad \left(\because \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} \right)$$

$$\langle x \rangle = x_0 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \times \frac{\pi a^2}{2} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\boxed{\langle x \rangle = x_0}$$

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$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x^2 \rangle &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x-x_0)^2 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx - x_0^2 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx \\ &\quad + 2x_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} e^{-2(x-x_0)^2/a^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot 1}{2 \left(\frac{2}{a^2} \right)^{1+1/2}} - x_0^2 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi a^2}{2}} + 2x_0 \times x_0 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi a^2}{2}}$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\pi a^2} \right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{a^2}{2} \right)^{3/2} - x_0^2 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \times \frac{\pi a^2}{2} \right)^{1/2} + 2x_0^2 \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2} \times \frac{\pi a^2}{2} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{a^2} \right)^{1/2} \frac{a^2}{2} \left(\frac{a^2}{2} \right)^{1/2} - x_0^2 + 2x_0^2$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{a^2} \times \frac{a^2}{2} \right)^{1/2} \frac{a^2}{2} + x_0^2$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \frac{a^2}{4} + x_0^2$$

$$\Delta x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

$$\Delta x = \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{4} + x_0^2 - x_0^2}$$

$$\Delta x = \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{4}}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta x = \frac{a}{2}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now

$$\Delta p = \sqrt{\langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2}$$

$$\Psi(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{ipx}{\hbar}} \Psi(x) dx$$

$$\Psi(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{a^2}} e^{-\frac{ipx}{\hbar}} e^{\frac{ip_0 x}{\hbar}} dx$$

$$\Psi(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{a^2}} e^{-\frac{i(p-p_0)x}{\hbar}} dx$$

$$\Psi(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{a^2}} \left[\cos\left(\frac{(p-p_0)x}{\hbar}\right) - i \sin\left(\frac{(p-p_0)x}{\hbar}\right) \right] dx$$

"odd"

$$\Psi(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \left(\frac{2}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-x_0)^2}{a^2}} \cos\left(\frac{(p-p_0)x}{\hbar}\right) dx = 0$$

$$\boxed{\Psi(p) = \left(\frac{a^2}{2\pi}\right)^{1/4} e^{-\frac{a^2(p-p_0)^2}{4\hbar^2}}}$$

Centre of the Gaussian wave function is p_0

Therefore $\langle p \rangle = p_0$

(similar to the x)

$$\langle p^2 \rangle = \frac{\text{Denominator}}{4} + (\text{Centre})^2$$

$$\langle p^2 \rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{4a^2} + p_0^2$$

$$\langle p^2 \rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{a^2} + p_0^2$$

$$\Delta p = \sqrt{\langle p^2 \rangle - \langle p \rangle^2}$$

$$\Delta p = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar^2}{a^2} + p_0^2 - p_0^2}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{a}} \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

From equation (1) and (2)

$$\Delta x \Delta p = \frac{a}{2} \times \frac{\hbar}{a}$$

$$\boxed{\Delta x \Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{2}}$$

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