

$$\alpha_t = \frac{\alpha_0 \mu}{\mu + ik(t-t_0)\alpha_0}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_0 \mu^2}{\mu^2 + \hbar^2 \alpha_0^2 (t-t_0)^2} - \frac{ik(t-t_0)\alpha_0^2 \mu}{\mu + \hbar^2 \alpha_0^2 (t-t_0)^2}$$

derivation of the time dependent normalisation constant
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When normalizing the wave function

$$\langle \psi(x,t) | \psi(x,t) \rangle = \underbrace{e^{\alpha_t^* + \alpha_t}}_{\text{constant}} e^{C_t + C_t^*} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-(x-vt)^2}$$

↳ we need to have that this part stays constant, i.e. has no time dependence.

$$a + a^* = 2 \operatorname{Re}(a)$$

$$2 \operatorname{Re}(\alpha_t) = \frac{2\alpha_0 \mu^2}{\mu^2 + \hbar^2 \alpha_0^2 (t-t_0)^2}$$

which means that

$$2 \operatorname{Re}(C_t) = -2 \operatorname{Re}(\alpha_t) = -\frac{2\alpha_0 \mu^2}{\mu^2 + \hbar^2 \alpha_0^2 (t-t_0)^2}$$

but also can have an arbitrary term summed with it

$$2 \operatorname{Re}(C_t) = -\frac{2\alpha_0 \mu^2}{\mu^2 + \hbar^2 \alpha_0^2 (t-t_0)^2} + C$$

so that

$$\langle \psi(x,t) | \psi(x,t) \rangle = e^{2 \operatorname{Re}(\alpha_t)} e^{-2 \operatorname{Re}(\alpha_t)} e^C \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-(x-vt)^2}$$

Say $e^c = |A|$, and compute

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$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-(x-vt)} = \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}}$$

$$c = -\frac{1}{2} \ln(\pi)$$

$\Rightarrow$ Since C_t is a normalisation factor and we only need its real part we can safely say that it is real. We have found it to be

$$C_t = -\frac{\alpha_0 \mu^2}{\mu^2 + \hbar^2 \alpha_0^2 (t-t_0)^2} - \frac{1}{4} \ln(\pi)$$