

Question 1

The Schrödinger equation for a free particle is

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} = i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t}.$$

Consider as a possible solution the function

$$\Psi(x, t) = A (x - Bt)^2$$

where A and B are constants.

Which of the following is true?

1. This is a solution regardless of A and B .
2. This is a solution if $x = Bt + \frac{1}{iB}$.
3. This is a solution if $x = Bt + \frac{\hbar}{2imB}$.
4. This cannot be a solution for all x and t .

Question 2

The Schrödinger equation for a free particle is

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} = i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t}.$$

Consider as a possible solution the function

$$\Psi(x, t) = Ae^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

where k and ω are constants.

Which of the following is true about $\Psi(x, t)$?

1. This cannot be a solution regardless of k and ω .
2. This is a solution regardless of k and ω .
3. This is a solution provided that $k^2 = \omega$.
4. This is a solution provided that $\frac{k^2 \hbar^2}{2m} = -\hbar\omega$.
5. This is a solution provided that $\frac{k^2 \hbar^2}{2m} = \hbar\omega$.