PHY 6646 - Quantum Mechanics II - Spring 2020 Homework set # 10, due March 25

1. A harmonic oscillator of mass μ and spring constant k is in its ground state. At time t=0 a constant force f is suddenly applied, i.e.

$$f(t) = 0$$
 for $t < 0$
= f for $t > 0$. (0.1)

- a) What are the new energy eigenstates of the oscillator after the force has been applied?
- b) What is the probability to find the oscillator in any of the new energy eigenstates?
- 2. Problems 18.2.4, 18.2.5, 18.4.3 and 18.4.4 in Shankar's book.