

This paper deals with expectation values in a square well. It is based on Problem 5, Chapter 3, of Hans Ohanian's "Principles of Quantum Mechanics".

Note: Without a CAS the calculations will not be easy to handle.

A good place for the integrals is <https://www.integralrechner.de/>

Hope I can help you learning quantum mechanics.

A particle of mass m moves in an infinite square well with $x \in [0, a]$.

We know the eigenstates of the infinite square well:

$$\Psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{a}\right), n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

We know the associated energies:

$$E_n = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}$$

We use the wave function:

$$\Psi(x, 0) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right)$$

This is not an energy eigenstate (the function is not periodic with respect to a ...), but it is a superposition of the eigenstates:

$$\Psi_2(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right)$$

$$\Psi_3(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right)$$

$$\Psi(x, 0) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \Psi_2(x) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \Psi_3(x)$$

We use the time evolution of energy eigenstates:

$$\Psi(x, t) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \Psi_2(x) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_2}{\hbar} t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \Psi_3(x) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_3}{\hbar} t\right)$$

We resolve the energies E_2 and E_3 :

$$E_2 = \frac{4\hbar^2 \pi^2}{ma^2}, E_3 = \frac{9\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}$$

We will need the difference $E_2 - E_3$:

$$\frac{4\hbar^2 \pi^2}{ma^2} - \frac{9\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2} = -\frac{5\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}$$

We calculate:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x, t) &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \Psi_2(x) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_2}{\hbar} t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \Psi_3(x) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_3}{\hbar} t\right) = \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_2}{\hbar} t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_3}{\hbar} t\right) = \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_2}{\hbar} t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_3}{\hbar} t\right)$$

We calculate the expectation value for position $\langle x \rangle$:

$$\langle x \rangle = \int_0^a \Psi^*(x, t) \cdot \hat{x} \cdot \Psi(x, t) dx =;$$

We calculate the interior of the integral, remembering that $\Psi(x, t)$ is a real function and the operator $\hat{x}$ becomes the multiplication with x :

$$\begin{aligned} & \Psi^*(x, t) \cdot \hat{x} \cdot \Psi(x, t) = \\ & x \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \Psi_2(x) \exp\left(i \frac{E_2}{\hbar} t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \Psi_3(x) \exp\left(i \frac{E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \right) \\ & \quad \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \Psi_2(x) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_2}{\hbar} t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \Psi_3(x) \exp\left(-i \frac{E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \right) = \\ & x \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3} (\Psi_2(x))^2 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{9}} \Psi_2(x) \Psi_3(x) \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{9}} \Psi_3(x) \Psi_2(x) \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{2}{3} (\Psi_3(x))^2 \right) = \\ & x \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3a} \left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 + \sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) + \frac{4}{3a} \left(\sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 \right) = \\ & x \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3a} \left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 + \sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \left(\exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) + \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{4}{3a} \left(\sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 \right) = \\ & x \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3a} \left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 + 2 \sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) + \frac{4}{3a} \left(\sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 \right) = \\ & x \cdot \frac{2}{3a} \left(\left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 + \sqrt{8} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) + 2 \left(\sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

We look at Wikipedia:

$$\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \cos\left(-\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \cos\left(\frac{5\pi x}{a}\right)$$

We build the complete integral:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2}{3a} \int_0^a x \cdot \left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 dx + \frac{2}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a x \cdot 2\sqrt{2} \frac{1}{2} \cos\left(-\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\ & - \frac{2}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a x \cdot 2\sqrt{2} \frac{1}{2} \cos\left(\frac{5\pi x}{a}\right) dx + \frac{2}{3a} \int_0^a 2x \left(\sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 dx = \\ & \frac{2}{3a} \int_0^a x \cdot \left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 dx + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a x \cdot \cos\left(-\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) dx \\ & - \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a x \cdot \cos\left(\frac{5\pi x}{a}\right) dx + \frac{4}{3a} \int_0^a x \left(\sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 dx =; \end{aligned}$$

We use <https://www.integralrechner.de/>

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & \frac{2}{3a} \int_0^a x \cdot \left(\sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 dx = \frac{a^2}{4} \frac{2}{3a} = \frac{1}{6} a \\ (2) \quad & \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a x \cdot \cos\left(-\frac{\pi x}{a}\right) dx = -\frac{2a^2}{\pi^2} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \\ (3) \quad & -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a x \cdot \cos\left(\frac{5\pi x}{a}\right) dx = \frac{2a^2}{25\pi^2} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \\ (4) \quad & \frac{4}{3a} \int_0^a x \left(\sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right)^2 dx = \frac{a^2}{4} \frac{4}{3a} = \frac{1}{3} a \end{aligned}$$

We build the middle sum (2) + (3):

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2a^2}{25\pi^2} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) - \frac{2a^2}{\pi^2} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) = \\ & \left(\frac{2a^2}{25\pi^2} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} - \frac{2a^2}{\pi^2} \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3a} \right) \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) = \\ & \frac{2a^2 2\sqrt{2}}{\pi^2 3a} \left(\frac{1}{25} - \frac{25}{25} \right) \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) = \\ & \frac{2a^2 2\sqrt{2}}{\pi^2 3a} \left(-\frac{24}{25} \right) \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) = \\ & -\frac{96a\sqrt{2}}{75\pi^2} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) = \\ & -\frac{32a\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^2} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \end{aligned}$$

Result:

$$\langle x \rangle = \frac{1}{2} a - \frac{32a\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^2} \cos\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right)$$

We resolve the energy difference $E_2 - E_3$:

$$E_2 - E_3 = -\frac{5\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}$$

We get:

$$\langle x \rangle = a \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{32\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^2} \cos\left(-\frac{5\hbar\pi^2}{2ma^2}t\right) \right)$$

Quickcheck:

$$\frac{32a\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^2} \cong 0.18 \Rightarrow \langle x \rangle \in [0, a]$$

We calculate the expectation value for momentum $\langle p \rangle$:

$$\langle p \rangle = \int_0^a \Psi^*(x, t) \cdot \hat{p} \cdot \Psi(x, t) dx$$

The momentum operator in position representation:

$$\hat{p} = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$$

The wave function:

$$\Psi(x, t) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right)$$

The expectation value for momentum $\langle p \rangle$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p \rangle &= -i\hbar \int_0^a \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) dx = \\ &= -i\hbar \int_0^a \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \frac{2\pi}{a} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) + \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \frac{3\pi}{a} \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) dx = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -i\hbar \int_0^a \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \frac{2\pi}{a} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \frac{3\pi}{a} \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \frac{2\pi}{a} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_2}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \frac{3\pi}{a} \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(-i\frac{E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) dx = \\
 & -i\hbar \int_0^a \left(\frac{2}{3a} \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right) + \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3a}} \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \sqrt{\frac{4}{3a}} \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right) dx = \\
 & -i\hbar \int_0^a \left(\frac{4\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right) + \left(\sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\frac{12\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right) dx = \\
 & -i\hbar \int_0^a \left(\frac{4\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \right) + \left(\sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \frac{3\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\sqrt{\frac{8}{9a^2}} \frac{2\pi}{a} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i\frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar}t\right) \right) \\
 & \quad + \left(\frac{12\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right) dx =
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -i\hbar \int_0^a \left(\frac{4\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) + \left(\sqrt{2} \frac{6\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left(\sqrt{2} \frac{4\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left(\frac{12\pi}{3a^2} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right) \right) dx = \\
 & -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \int_0^a \left(2 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) + \left(\sqrt{2} \cdot 3 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left(\sqrt{2} \cdot 2 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \right) + \left(6 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \right) \right) dx = \\
 & \quad -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \int_0^a 2 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) dx + \quad (1) \\
 & \quad -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a \sqrt{2} \cdot 3 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) dx + \quad (2) \\
 & \quad -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a \sqrt{2} \cdot 2 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) dx + \quad (3) \\
 & \quad -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \int_0^a 6 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) dx =; \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

The integrals:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \int_0^a 2 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) dx = 0 \\
 (2) \quad & -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a \sqrt{2} \cdot 3 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) dx = \\
 & \quad -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \left(-\frac{3 \cdot 2^{\frac{5}{2}} a}{5\pi} \right) = \\
 & \quad i\hbar \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{5a} \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) \\
 (3) \quad & -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \int_0^a \sqrt{2} \cdot 2 \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{a}\right) dx = \\
 & \quad -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \left(\frac{3 \cdot 2^{\frac{5}{2}} a}{5\pi} \right) = \\
 & \quad -i\hbar \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{5a} \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) \\
 (4) \quad & -i\hbar \frac{2\pi}{3a^2} \int_0^a 6 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{3\pi x}{a}\right) dx = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

We get the sum of integrals:

$$i\hbar \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{5a} \exp\left(i \frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right) - i\hbar \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{5a} \exp\left(i \frac{E_3 - E_2}{\hbar} t\right) = \\ -\hbar \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{5a} \cdot \sin\left(\frac{E_2 - E_3}{\hbar} t\right)$$

We replace the energy difference $E_2 - E_3$:

$$E_2 - E_3 = \frac{4\hbar^2\pi^2}{ma^2} - \frac{9\hbar^2\pi^2}{2ma^2} = -\frac{5\hbar^2\pi^2}{2ma^2}$$

We get:

$$\langle p \rangle = -\hbar \frac{16\sqrt{2}}{5a} \cdot \sin\left(-\frac{5\hbar\pi^2}{2ma^2} t\right)$$

With this we can check the Ehrenfest theorem:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle x \rangle = \frac{1}{m} \langle p \rangle \\ \langle x \rangle = a \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{32\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^2} \cos\left(-\frac{5\hbar\pi^2}{2ma^2} t\right) \right) \\ \frac{d}{dt} \langle x \rangle = \frac{d}{dt} \left(-\frac{32a\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^2} \cos\left(-\frac{5\hbar\pi^2}{2ma^2} t\right) \right) = \frac{32a\sqrt{2}}{25\pi^2} \sin\left(-\frac{5\hbar\pi^2}{2ma^2} t\right) \left(-\frac{5\hbar\pi^2}{2ma^2}\right) = \\ -\frac{16\hbar\sqrt{2}}{5ma} \sin\left(-\frac{5\hbar\pi^2}{2ma^2} t\right) = \frac{1}{m} \langle p \rangle$$