	Quiz #10a: Phys270	
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1. [10 pts] Consider a particle in a rigid box of length L in the n=3 state. The rigid box has walls whose potential energy is infinitely high at x<=0 and x>=L, and a potential energy that is zero in between.

a. [7 pts] Sketch a graph of  $|\psi(x)|^2$ . Label the points x=0 and x=L.

b. [3 pts] Where, in terms of L, are the positions at which the particle is most likely to be found?

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1. [10 pts] Suppose that  $\psi_1(x)$  and  $\psi_2(x)$  are both solutions to the timeindependent Schrodinger equation for the same potential energy U(x). Prove that the superposition  $\psi(x) = A \psi_1(x) + B \psi_2(x)$  is also a solution to the timeindependent Schrodinger equation.

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