

Q1 a) Observables are represented by hermitian operators as Hermitian operators have real eigenvalues. Any observable measurement represents a physical measurement which ~~not~~ is naturally represented by real numbers.

b). 1-D free particle

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m}$$

Schrodinger's equation,

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \psi(x) = E \psi(x)$$

take $\psi(x) = e^{ip \cdot x / \hbar}$, ($e^{-ip \cdot x / \hbar}$ is same)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \left(-\frac{p^2}{\hbar^2} \right) e^{ip \cdot x / \hbar} = E_p e^{ip \cdot x / \hbar}$$

$\Rightarrow E_p = \frac{p^2}{2m}$ is eigenvalue.

$\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi(-x)$ does not change the equation.
 $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} e^{ip \cdot x / \hbar} = -\frac{p^2}{\hbar^2} e^{ip \cdot x / \hbar}$, $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} e^{-ip \cdot x / \hbar} = -\frac{p^2}{\hbar^2} e^{-ip \cdot x / \hbar}$
where $e^{\pm ip \cdot x / \hbar}$ get cancelled.

$\Rightarrow \Pi \psi(x) = \psi(-x)$ $\dots \Pi$ is parity.

$$\Rightarrow \Pi (c\psi(x) + c\psi(-x)) = c(\psi(x) + \psi(-x))$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pi (c\psi(x) - c\psi(-x)) = -c(\psi(x) - \psi(-x))$$

has 2 ~~eigenvalues~~ eigenstates with eigenvalue 1 & -1.

$$\Pi^2 = 1$$

has symmetric & antisymmetric

eigenstates, $e^{ip \cdot x / \hbar}$ & $e^{-ip \cdot x / \hbar}$

$$\psi(x) + \psi(-x) = e^{ip \cdot x/\hbar} + e^{-ip \cdot x/\hbar} \propto \cos\left(\frac{px}{\hbar}\right)$$

$$\psi(x) - \psi(-x) = e^{-ip \cdot x/\hbar} - e^{ip \cdot x/\hbar} \propto \sin\left(\frac{px}{\hbar}\right)$$

are eigenstates

c) Mixed state.
 $\rho_1 = |\uparrow\rangle\langle\uparrow|, \rho_2 = |\downarrow\rangle\langle\downarrow|$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_{\text{total}} = \frac{3}{5} \rho_1 + \frac{2}{5} \rho_2$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho_{\text{total}} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/5 \end{pmatrix}$$

cannot be represented
by wavefunction

$$\text{tr}(\rho^2) = \frac{13}{25} \neq 1$$

$$S_x = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \sigma_x = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho S_x = \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \hbar/2 \\ \hbar/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle S_x \rangle = \text{tr}(\rho S_x) = \text{tr} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3\hbar/10 \\ 2\hbar/10 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \underline{\underline{0}}$$

$$d) \quad \psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$$

$$\rho(x, x') = \langle x|\rho|x'\rangle = \langle x|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|x'\rangle$$

$$= \frac{2}{L} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x'}{L}\right)$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \text{tr}(\rho x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \cdot \frac{2}{L} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) x$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \cdot \rho(x, x) \cdot x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \cdot \frac{2}{L} \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) x$$

(only diagonal terms)

$$= \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L x \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{L}{2}$$

- integrate by parts -

$$\langle p \rangle = \text{tr}(\rho \hat{p})$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \cdot \frac{1}{i} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right]_{x=x'} \rho(x', x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{i} \int_0^L dx \cdot \frac{2}{L} \cdot \frac{\pi}{L} \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{L^2 i} \int_0^L dx \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\langle p \rangle = 0$$

e). Translation operator

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi(x+a).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x+dx) &= \cancel{\psi(x)} + \frac{i x \cdot p}{\hbar} \cancel{\psi(x)} \\ &= \psi(x) + \left(\frac{d}{dx} \psi(x) \right) dx \quad \text{(assume small } dx \text{ to first order)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{d}{dx} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \rightarrow \frac{i p}{\hbar}$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(x+dx) = \psi(x) + \frac{i dx \cdot p}{\hbar} \psi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow T(dx) \psi(x) = \left(1 - \frac{i dx \cdot p}{\hbar} \right) \psi(x)$$

let $dx = \frac{x'}{N}$

$$T(dx) \approx T(x')$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(1 - \frac{i x' p}{N \hbar} \right)^N \right] \quad \text{(repeated products)}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(x') = e$$

is the translation operator.

$$\hat{p} = i \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} T(x')$$

Q3

$$L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2 = L^2$$

$$L^2 |l, m\rangle = \hbar^2 l(l+1) |l, m\rangle.$$

$$L_z |l, m\rangle = \hbar m |l, m\rangle.$$

$$L_+ = L_x + iL_y, \quad L_- = L_x - iL_y.$$

$$L_+ L_- = L_x^2 + L_y^2 - i[L_x, L_y]$$

$$= L_x^2 + L_y^2 + \hbar L_z.$$

$$L_- L_+ = L_x^2 + L_y^2 - \hbar L_z. \quad \cdot \quad L^2 - \hbar L_z - L_z^2$$

$$L^2 = L_+ L_- + L_z^2 - \hbar L_z.$$

two identities

Now

$$L_+ |l, m\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} |l, m+1\rangle.$$

$$L_- |l, m\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} |l, m-1\rangle.$$

$$\langle l, m | L_- L_+ |l, m\rangle = \hbar^2 \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} \langle l, m | l, m\rangle.$$

$$\langle l, m | L^2 - L_z^2 - \hbar L_z |l, m\rangle$$

$$= (l(l+1) - m(m+1)) \hbar^2 \langle l, m | l, m\rangle.$$

$$\Rightarrow \hbar = \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)}$$

$$\text{Similarly with } \langle l, m | L_+ L_- |l, m\rangle = \hbar^2 \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hbar = \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} \quad \text{from second identity}$$

$$a) \quad L_{\pm} |l, m\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m \pm 1)} |l, m \pm 1\rangle.$$

$$L_x = \frac{L_+ + L_-}{2}$$

$$L_x |l, m\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (L_+ |l, m\rangle + L_- |l, m\rangle)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} |l, m+1\rangle + \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} |l, m-1\rangle \right)$$

$$b) \langle l, m | L_x |l, m\rangle = 0.$$

$$\langle l, m | L_x = \frac{1}{2} (\langle l, m | L_+ + \langle l, m | L_-)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\langle l, m+1 | \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} + \langle l, m+1 | \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)})$$

$$= \left[\text{conjugate transpose} \right. \\ \left. (L_+ = L_-^\dagger) \right].$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle l, m | L_x^2 | l, m \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} (l(l+1) - m(m-1) + l(l+1) - m(m+1)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} (2l^2 + 2l - m^2 + m - m^2 - m) \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} (2l^2 + 2l - 2m^2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (l^2 - m^2 + l)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$c). \quad L_x |l, m\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} |l, m+1\rangle + \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} |l, m-1\rangle \right)$$

$$l=1, m = -1, 0, 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rightarrow \langle 1, m' | L_x | 1, m \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 - m(m+1)} \langle 1, m' | 1, m+1 \rangle \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2 - m(m-1)} \langle 1, m' | 1, m-1 \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$m = -1, m' = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad L_{-1,0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{(Matrix elements)}$$

$$m = 0, m' = 1 \text{ or } -1 \quad L_{1,0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{-1,0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\& \quad m = 1, m' = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{0,1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$L_x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\left(L_x \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is Hermitian

$$d) \hat{H} = \frac{1}{I_1} (L_x^2 + L_y^2) + \frac{1}{I_2} L_z^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{I_1} (L^2 - L_z^2) + \frac{1}{I_2} L_z^2$$

$$= \frac{L^2}{I_1} + \left(\frac{1}{I_2} - \frac{1}{I_1} \right) L_z^2 \quad |l, m\rangle \text{ would be eigenstate.}$$

$$\hat{H} |l, m\rangle = \frac{L^2}{I_1} |l, m\rangle + \frac{L_z^2}{I_2} \left(\frac{1}{I_2} - \frac{1}{I_1} \right) |l, m\rangle$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{I_1} |l, m\rangle + \left(\frac{1}{I_2} - \frac{1}{I_1} \right) \hbar^2 m^2 |l, m\rangle$$

$$\text{Eigenvalue} \Rightarrow \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{I_1} + \left(\frac{1}{I_2} - \frac{1}{I_1} \right) \hbar^2 m^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{I_1} \left(\hbar^2 (l(l+1) - m^2) \right) + \frac{1}{I_2} (\hbar^2 m^2)$$

4) a). $\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V\right) \psi = E \psi,$

in radial coordinates.

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \phi^2} \right) = E \psi - V \psi.$$

sep. variables, $\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R(r) Y(\theta, \phi).$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial R}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{R}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial Y}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{R}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial \phi^2} \right) + V R Y = E R Y.$$

Divide by ψ .

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial R}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{-2m r^2 (V - E)}{\hbar^2} \right) \rightarrow l(l+1) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{Y} \left(\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial Y}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial \phi^2} \right)}_{-l(l+1)} = 0.$$

constants
radial part for $V = -\frac{e^2}{r}.$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{R} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{dR}{dr} \right) + \frac{2m r^2}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{e^2}{r^2} + E \right) = l(l+1).$$

b) Feynman Hellmann theorem $\frac{dE(l)}{dl} = \left\langle \frac{dH(l)}{dl} \right\rangle.$

effective potential

$$V(r) = -\frac{e^2}{r^2} + \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{2m r^2}$$

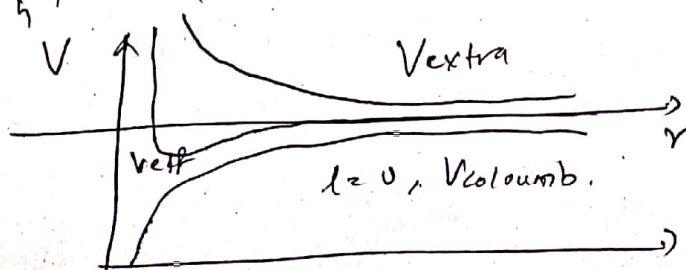
centrifugal term

$$E_n = -\frac{2^2 \hbar^2}{2m a_0^2 n^2}$$

$$l = e \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a_0^2} =$$

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} - \frac{e^2}{r}$$

$$\frac{m^2 e^4}{\hbar^4}, \quad \frac{dq_0^{-2}}{dl} = \frac{4}{e} \frac{1}{a_0^2}$$



$$\frac{dB}{de} = -\frac{Ze^2}{m e^2 a_0 n^2} \Rightarrow \left\langle \frac{dU}{de} \right\rangle = \left\langle -\frac{Ze}{r} \right\rangle = -Ze \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle_{n,l} = \frac{\hbar^2}{m e^2 a_0 n^2} = \frac{1}{a_0 n^2}$$

for $Z \neq 1$.

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle_{n,l} = \frac{Z}{a_0 n^2}$$

c) $\psi(r)$ for $r > a$, $\Rightarrow \psi(r) = 0$.

for $r \leq a$.

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{dR}{dr} \right) + \frac{2m r^2 E}{\hbar^2} = l(l+1)$$

$$V(r) = \begin{cases} 0 & r \leq a \\ \infty & r > a \end{cases}$$

let $u = rR(r)$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{R} \frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} + \frac{2m r^2 E}{\hbar^2} = l(l+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} = \left(\frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} - k^2 \right) u(r)$$

where $k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$.

$l=0$ for ground state.

$$\Rightarrow u(r) = A \sin(kr) + B \cos(kr)$$

$$\rightarrow R = A \frac{\sin(kr)}{r} + B \frac{\cos(kr)}{r} \rightarrow \infty \text{ at } r=0$$

$$\Rightarrow R = A \frac{\sin(kr)}{r}$$

$$R(a) = 0 \Rightarrow A \frac{\sin(ka)}{a} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ka = n\pi$$

$$\text{or } E_{n0} = \frac{n^2 \pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2}$$

$$\text{for ground, } E_{p0} = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2}$$

Q2

a). $\hat{H} = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V(x)$, $\hat{H} \psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \psi$

$$\psi(x,t) = \int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \phi(p,t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \phi(p,t) \right) \\ = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \phi(p,t) \\ + V(x) \int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \phi(p,t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi(p,t) = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{-ipx/\hbar} \psi(x,t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(x) \int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \phi(p,t) &\rightarrow \text{transforming} \\ \int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int dx' \frac{e^{-ipx'/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} V(x') \psi(x',t) \\ = \int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} V(p) * \phi(p,t) \end{aligned}$$

↑ convolution.

$$\Rightarrow \int dp \frac{e^{ipx/\hbar}}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(p,t) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(-\frac{p^2}{\hbar^2} \phi(p,t) + V(p) * \phi(p,t) \right) \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(p,t) = \frac{p^2}{2m} \phi(p,t) + V(p) * \phi(p,t)$$

in momentum space

(b) $N(a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle$ is eigenstate of H if

$$HN(a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle = c N(a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle.$$

$$HN(a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle = N \hbar \omega (a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2}) a^\dagger^n |0\rangle.$$

$$a^\dagger a a^\dagger^n |0\rangle = (a a^\dagger - [a, a^\dagger]) a^\dagger^n |0\rangle.$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a^\dagger)^{n+1} |0\rangle - (a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle$$

$$= a a^\dagger^n c |\phi\rangle - (a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle$$

$$\text{as } [a, [a, a^\dagger]] = 0, \Rightarrow [a, a^\dagger^n] = n(a^\dagger)^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^\dagger a a^\dagger^n |0\rangle = (n a^\dagger^{n-1} + a^\dagger^n a) c |\phi\rangle \\ = -a^\dagger^n |0\rangle.$$

$$= n a^\dagger^n a^\dagger |0\rangle + (a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle - a^\dagger^n |0\rangle$$

$$= n a^\dagger |0\rangle.$$

$$\Rightarrow HN(a^\dagger)^n |0\rangle = \frac{N \hbar \omega (n + \frac{1}{2}) a^\dagger^n |0\rangle}{\text{is an eigenstate}}$$

c) $a |0\rangle = 0$

$$a = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}} x + i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\omega\hbar}} p$$

$$p = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{d}{dx}$$

$$a = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}} x + \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} \frac{d}{dx}$$

$$\text{let } x = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}} y.$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (y + \frac{d}{dy}).$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (y + \frac{d}{dy}) \psi_0(y) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\psi_0(y)}{\psi_0(y)} = -y dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\psi_0(y) = A_0 e^{-y^2/2}}$$

$$\psi_0(x) = A_0 e^{-m\omega x^2/2\hbar}$$

A_0 can be found from normalisation

$$\psi_0(x) = \left(\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}\right)^{1/4} e^{-m\omega x^2/2\hbar}$$