## Quantum Notes

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## Section 1

1. 
$$h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{Js}, \, \hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi}$$

2. Fine structure constant 
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{\hbar c} \approx \frac{1}{137}$$

3. Photoelectric effect 
$$E=h\nu=\hbar\omega,\,eV_0=h\nu-W$$

4. de Broglie wavelength 
$$p = h/\lambda$$
,  $\mathbf{p} = \hbar \mathbf{k}$ 

5. Angular momentum of electron  $L = n\hbar$ , n is the principal quantum number

6. 
$$\omega = \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}$$

7. 
$$\Phi(\mathbf{r},t) = Ae^{i(\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}-\omega t)} = Ae^{\frac{i}{\hbar}(\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{r}-Et)}$$
 (not really meaningful unless  $|\Phi(\mathbf{r},t)| \to 0$ )

8. A localized wavefunction is 
$$\Phi(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(k) e^{i(kx-\omega t)} dk$$
,  $g(k,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Phi(x,t) e^{-i(kx-\omega t)} dx$ ,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(k,t)|^2 dk = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\Phi(x,t)|^2 dx$ ,  $g(k)$  is the momentum wavefunction.

9. 
$$\langle x \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x P(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x |\Psi(x)|^2 dx$$

10. 
$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 P(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 |\Psi(x)|^2 dx$$

11. 
$$\Delta x = \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle - \langle x \rangle^2}$$

12. Wavepacket 
$$g(k) = \left(\frac{a^2}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} e^{-a^2(k-k_0)^2/2}$$
,

• 
$$\Psi(x,0) = \left(\frac{1}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/4} e^{ik_0x} e^{-x^2/2a}$$

• 
$$\Psi(x,t) = e^{ik_0(x-v_pt)} f(x-v_gt)$$

• 
$$\langle x \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x e^{-(x^2/a^2)} dx = 0$$

• 
$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{\pi a^2}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 e^{-(x^2/a^2)} dx = \frac{a^2}{2}$$

• 
$$\langle k \rangle = \left(\frac{a^2}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} k e^{-a^2(k-k_0)^2} dk = k_0$$

• 
$$\langle k^2 \rangle = \left(\frac{a^2}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} k^2 e^{-a^2(k-k_0)^2} dk = \frac{1}{2a^2} + k_0^2$$

• 
$$\Delta x = \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}$$
 and  $\Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{a\sqrt{2}}$ 

• 
$$\Delta x \Delta p = \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

- 13.  $\Delta x \Delta p_y = 0$  is possible, spatially orthogonal quantities can be measured simultaneously to any precision
- 14. Time evolution of a gaussian  $\omega = \frac{\hbar k^2}{2m}, g(k) = \left(\frac{a^2}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} e^{-a^2(k-k_0)^2/2},$

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(k) e^{i[kx - \omega(k)t]} dk \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{a^2}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-a^2 \delta k^2/2} e^{i[(k_0 + \delta k)x - (\omega_0 + \alpha \delta k + \beta(\delta k)^2)t]} d(\delta k) \\ &\left(\alpha = \frac{\hbar k_0}{m}, \ \beta = \frac{\hbar}{2m}\right) \\ |\Psi(x,t)|^2 &= \left(\frac{a^2}{4\pi}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{(a^4/4 + h^2 t^2/4m^2)^{1/2}} \exp\left\{\frac{-(x - \hbar k_0 t/m)^2}{(a^2 + h^2 t^2/m^2a^2)}\right\} \\ &\langle x \rangle &= \hbar k_0 t/m = v_g t \\ &(\Delta x)^2 &= a^2/2(1 + \hbar^2 t^2/a^4 m^2) \end{split}$$

15. 
$$\begin{split} \Phi(p,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hbar}} g\left(\frac{p}{\hbar},t\right), \\ \Psi(x,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Phi(p,t) e^{ipx/\hbar} dp, \\ \Phi(p,t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Psi(x,t) e^{-ipx/\hbar} dx \\ \text{Gaussian } \Phi(p,0) &= \left(\frac{a^2}{\pi\hbar^2}\right)^{1/4} \exp^{-a^2(p-p_0)^2/2\hbar^2} \end{split}$$

16. Total energy operator/Hamiltonian  $\hat{E} \equiv i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ 

Total momentum operator  $\hat{p} \equiv -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{p}} = -i\hbar \nabla$ 

Kinetic energy operator  $\frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} \equiv -\frac{h^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2$ 

The eigenvalues of an operator are the possible values that might be returned by an experiment.

17. 
$$\hat{E} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \hat{V}(x,t) = \hat{E}$$

$$\left[i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(x,t)}{\partial t}\right] = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(x,t)}{\partial x^2} + V(x,t)\Psi(x,t)$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(\mathbf{r},t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r},t) + V(\mathbf{r},t)\Psi(\mathbf{r},t)$$

Let  $\Psi(x,t) = \Psi(x)T(t) = \Psi(x)e^{-iEt/\hbar}$ , time-independent Schrödinger is  $-\frac{h^2}{2m}\nabla^2\Psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r})\Psi(\mathbf{r}) = E\Psi(\mathbf{r})$ 

18. If 
$$V(\mathbf{r}, t) = V(\mathbf{r}), \ \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \psi(\mathbf{r})T(t)$$

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2\psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r})\psi(\mathbf{r}) = E\psi(\mathbf{r})$$

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19. 
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\mathcal{V}} P(\mathbf{r}, t) dV = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\mathcal{V}} \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}, t) \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) dV$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\mathcal{V}} P(\mathbf{r}, t) dV = -\oint_{S} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r}, t) \cdot d\mathbf{s}}$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{J} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{r},t) &= \frac{\hbar}{i2m} \big[ \Psi^* \big( \mathbf{r},t \big) \nabla \Psi(\mathbf{r},t) - \Psi(\mathbf{r},t) \nabla \Psi^* \big( \mathbf{r},t \big) \big] \\ &= \mathrm{Re} \big[ \Psi^* (\mathbf{r},t) \frac{\hbar}{im} \boldsymbol{\nabla} \Psi(\mathbf{r},t) \big] \\ &= \mathrm{Re} \big[ \Psi^* (\mathbf{r},t) \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}}{m} \boldsymbol{\nabla} \Psi(\mathbf{r},t) \big] \end{aligned}$$

For 
$$\Psi(x,t) = Ae^{i(kx-\omega t)}$$
,  $J = v|A|^2 = \frac{\hbar k}{m}|A|^2$ 

20. SHO 
$$V(x)=\frac{1}{2}m\omega^2x^2,\,q=x\sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}},\,\epsilon=\frac{2E}{\hbar\omega},\,\chi(q)=\psi(q\sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}})=H(q)e^{-q^2/2}$$
 
$$\frac{\partial^2 H(q)}{\partial q^2}-2q\frac{\partial H}{\partial q}+(\epsilon-1)H(q)=0$$
 
$$H_n(q)=(-1)^ne^{q^2}\frac{\mathrm{d}^n}{\mathrm{d}q^n}\left(e^{-q^2}\right)$$
 
$$E_n=\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right)\hbar\omega$$
 
$$\psi_n=A_nH_n\left[x\sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}}\right]e^{-\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}x^2}$$
 
$$A_n=\left[\sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}}\sqrt{\pi}2^nn!\right]^{-1/2}$$

- 21. Parity operator  $\hat{P}\psi(\mathbf{r}) = \psi(-\mathbf{r})$
- 22. For bounded systems,  $psi(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \psi_n(x), |a\rangle = \sum_n a_n |a\rangle_n$
- 23. Completeness relation (bounded system)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi_n(x) \psi_n^*(y) = \delta(x-y), \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{a}_n \mathbf{a}_n^{\dagger} = I, \sum_n |a\rangle \langle a| = \hat{I}$
- 24. For unbounded systems,  $\psi(x) = \int \phi(k)\chi(x,k)dk$ ,  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \chi^*(k,x_1)\chi(k,x_2)dk = \delta(x_2-x_1)$
- 25. Commutator  $\left[\hat{A}, \hat{B}\right] \equiv \hat{A}\hat{B} \hat{B}\hat{A}$
- 26.  $A_{nm} \equiv \langle u_n | \hat{A} | u_m \rangle$ ,  $\hat{A} \equiv \sum_{n,m} A_{nm} | u_n \rangle \langle u_m |$  (operator as linear combination of outer products)
- 27. Operators like  $\hat{P} = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$  is a projection operator
- 28. The adjoint of an operator is  $\hat{A}^{\dagger}$ 
  - $\langle u_m | \hat{A} | u_n \rangle = \langle u_n | \hat{A}^{\dagger} | u_m \rangle^*$
  - Thus  $\hat{A} |\psi\rangle = |\phi\rangle \implies \langle \psi | \hat{A}^\dagger = \langle \phi |$
  - $(\hat{A}\hat{B})^{\dagger} = \hat{B}^{\dagger}\hat{A}^{\dagger}$
  - Observables are self-adjoint,  $\hat{A} = \hat{A}^{\dagger}$
- 29. Operators are Hermitian, their expectation values ( $\langle A \rangle = \langle \psi | \hat{A} | \psi \rangle$ ) are real
  - $\hat{x} \equiv x$ , position operator
  - $\hat{p} \equiv -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ , momentum operator

- $\frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} \equiv -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$ , kinetic energy operator
- $\hat{E} \equiv i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ , total energy operator
- $\hat{H} \equiv -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V(x)$ , Hamiltonian

For any observable A there is an associated operator  $\hat{A}$  which denotes the act of measurement. The measurements have **0 uncertainty** 

- 30.  $[\hat{x}, \hat{p}] = i\hbar$
- 31.  $(\hat{A}\hat{B})^{\dagger} = \hat{A}\hat{B}$  iff  $\hat{A}^{\dagger} = \hat{A}, \hat{B}^{\dagger} = \hat{B}, [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = 0$  (A composite operator is an observable iff its parts are **commute observables**)
- 32. If  $[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = 0$ , they share common eigenvectors; commute means compatible, non-commute means incompatible; compatible operators can be calculated once one of them is measured (e.g.  $\hat{p}, \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m}$ )
- 33. The anti-commutator  $\{\hat{A}, \hat{B}\}$  of two observables is an observable; the commutator of two observables is anti-Hermitian, so no; however  $i[\hat{A}, \hat{B}]$  is an observable
- 34.  $\forall \psi(\langle \psi | 0 \rangle) = 0$
- 35.  $\Delta A \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} \left| \langle i \left[ \hat{A}, \hat{B} \right] \rangle \right|$ , Deviation  $\hat{A}_d = \hat{A} \langle A \rangle$ ,  $\langle \hat{A}_d^2 \rangle = (\Delta A)^2$ ,  $\left[ \hat{A}_d, \hat{B}_d \right] = \left[ \hat{A}, \hat{B} \right]$ , minimize  $\langle \phi | \phi \rangle \geq 0$ , where  $| \phi \rangle = (\hat{A}_d + i\lambda \hat{B}_d) | \psi \rangle$
- 36. Amplitude of normal mode  $a(t) = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2}}x + i\frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\omega}}p, \ \omega aa^* = \frac{m\omega^2}{2}x^2 + \frac{p^2}{2m} = E$ 
  - For  $\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{p}{m}$ ,  $\frac{\mathrm{d}p}{\mathrm{d}t} = -m\omega^2 x$
  - $\frac{\mathrm{d}a}{\mathrm{d}t} = -i\omega a$
  - $a(t) = a(0)e^{-i\omega t}, a(0) \left[\frac{m\omega}{2}x(0) + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2m\omega}}p(0)\right]$
  - x and p in complex space **scaled** into a circle of radius a
  - $\left[\hat{a} = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}}\hat{x} + i\frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}}\hat{p}\right], \hat{a}^{\dagger} = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}}\hat{x} i\frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}}\hat{p}, \text{ not Hermitian/observables}\right]$

$$-\left[\left[\hat{a},\hat{a}^{\dagger}\right]=1\right]$$
$$-\left\{\hat{a},\hat{a}^{\dagger}\right\}=\frac{2}{\hbar}\hat{H}$$

$$- \hat{H} = \frac{\hbar\omega}{2}(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} - \hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger}) = \hbar\omega(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}) = \hbar\omega(\hat{a}\hat{a}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2})$$

$$-\boxed{\hat{H} = \hbar\omega(\hat{a}^{\dagger}\hat{a} + \frac{1}{2}) = \hbar\omega(\hat{N} + \frac{1}{2})}$$

$$- \text{ Remember} \boxed{\frac{\hbar \omega}{2} (\hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} + \hat{a} \hat{a}^{\dagger}) = \hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \frac{m \omega^2 \hat{x}^2}{2}} \text{ to find out } \hat{a} \text{ and } \hat{a}^{\dagger}$$

- Creation/raising operator  $\hat{a}^{\dagger}$ :  $\hat{H}\hat{a} |\phi\rangle = (E \hbar\omega)\hat{a} |\phi\rangle$
- Annihilation/lowering operator â:  $\hat{H}\hat{a}^{\dagger} |\phi\rangle = (E + \hbar\omega)\hat{a}^{\dagger} |\phi\rangle$
- $-\hat{a}\left|\phi_{0}\right\rangle = \left|0\right\rangle$

37.

$$\begin{split} \hat{N} & |\phi_n\rangle = n \, |\phi_n\rangle \\ \hat{a} & |\phi_0\rangle = |0\rangle \\ \hat{a} & |\phi_n\rangle = \sqrt{n} \, |\phi_{n-1}\rangle \\ \hat{a}^{\dagger} & |\phi_n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} \, |\phi_{n+1}\rangle \\ \langle \phi_n| \, \hat{a}^{\dagger} \hat{a} \, |\phi_n\rangle = \langle \phi_n| \, \hat{N} \, |\phi_n\rangle = n \, \langle \phi_n|\phi_n\rangle = n = |c_n|^2 \, \langle \phi_{n-1}|\phi_{n-1}\rangle = |c_n|^2 \\ & |\phi_n\rangle = \frac{(\hat{a}^{\dagger})^n}{\sqrt{n!}} \, |\phi_0\rangle \, \Delta x \Delta p = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar \end{split}$$

38. 
$$\langle A \rangle = \text{Tr} \left[ \hat{A} | \psi \rangle \langle \psi | \right]$$

39. The density operator 
$$\hat{O} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P_i |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|$$
,  $\langle A \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P_i \langle \psi_i | \hat{A} |\psi_i\rangle = \text{Tr} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} P_i |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i | \hat{A}\right] = \text{Tr} \left[\hat{O}\hat{A}\right]$ ,  $\left[\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr} \left[\hat{O}\hat{A}\right]\right]$ ,  $\left[\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr} \left[\hat{O}\hat{A}\right]\right]$ 

40. 
$$\hat{O}^{\dagger} = \hat{O}$$

41. 
$$\hat{O}\hat{O} = \sum_{i=0}^{n} P_i^2 |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|$$
. If  $\hat{O} = |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|$ ,  $\hat{O}$  is in a pure state.

42. 
$$\hat{X}^n = \sum_i e^{-x_i} |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|, F(\hat{X}) = \sum_i F(x_i) |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|$$

- 43. For two particles A and B, the reduced density operator  $\rho_A = \operatorname{Tr}_B(\rho_{AB}) = \operatorname{Tr}_B(|a_i\rangle \langle a_j| \otimes |b_l\rangle \langle b_m|) = |a_i\rangle \langle a_j| \operatorname{Tr}(|b_l\rangle \langle b_m|) = |a_i\rangle \langle a_j| \otimes I_B$  is the partial trace. (Only trace the second qubit)
- 44. Harmonic oscillator weakly coupled to temperature T:  $\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{Z}e^{-\hat{H}/kT}$ ,  $Z = \text{Tr}\left[e^{-\hat{H}/kT}\right]$ ,  $\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = 1$ ,  $\langle \hat{H} \rangle = \text{Tr}\left[\hat{\rho}\hat{H}\right] = \hbar\omega \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{e^{\hbar\omega/kT} 1}\right]$

45. 
$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \sum_{n} c_n(t) |\phi_n\rangle, i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi\rangle = \hat{H} |\psi\rangle, \sum_{n} \left[i\hbar \frac{\mathrm{d}c_n(t)}{\mathrm{d}t} - c_n(t)E_n\right] |\phi_n\rangle = 0, c_n(t) = c_n(0)e^{-iE_nt/\hbar},$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{n} c_n(0)e^{-iE_nt/\hbar} |\phi_n\rangle = e^{-\hat{H}t/\hbar} \sum_{n} c_n(0 |\phi\rangle_n), \, \omega_n = E_n/\hbar$$

46. Time shift operator 
$$\hat{U}(t,t_0) = e^{-\hat{H}(t-t_0)/\hbar} = \sum_{n} e^{-i\omega_n(t-t_0)} |\psi_n\rangle\langle\psi_n|, \hat{U}\hat{U}^{\dagger} = \hat{U}^{\dagger}\hat{U} = \hat{I},$$

$$\hat{U}(t,\hat{H}) = 0$$

47. 
$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} |\psi(0)\rangle, |\psi(t)\rangle = \hat{U}(t,t_0) |\psi(t_0)\rangle$$

48. Ehrenfest's theorem 
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle \hat{A}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{i}{\hbar}\langle \left[\hat{H}, \hat{A}\right]\rangle + \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{A}}{\mathrm{d}t}\rangle$$

49. 
$$\Delta E \Delta A \ge \frac{1}{2} \left| \langle i \left[ \hat{H}, \hat{A} \right] \rangle \right| = \frac{\hbar}{2} \left| \frac{\mathrm{d} \langle \hat{A} \rangle}{\mathrm{d} t} \right|$$
, define  $\Delta t = \frac{\Delta A}{\left| \frac{\mathrm{d} \hat{A}}{\mathrm{d} t} \right|}$ ,  $\Delta E \Delta t \ge \frac{\hbar}{2}$ 

50. For a conserved observable 
$$(\frac{d\hat{A}}{dt} = 0)$$
, its expectation value is constant if  $[\hat{A}, \hat{H}] = 0$ 

51. 
$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{n,m} c_m^* c_n e^{i(E_m - E_n)t/\hbar} A_{mn}$$
, where  $A_{mn} = \langle \phi_m | \hat{A} | \phi_n \rangle$ 

52. 
$$\left[\hat{A}, \hat{B}^l\right] = \left[\hat{A}, \hat{B}^{l-1}\hat{B}\right] = \left[\hat{A}, \hat{B}^{l-1}\hat{B}\right] = \left[\hat{A}, \hat{B}^{l-1}\right]\hat{B} + \hat{B}^{l-1}\left[\hat{A}, \hat{B}\right]$$
 (distribute while keeping order)

• Remember, use cross terms 
$$\left[ \hat{A}, \hat{B} \right] = \hat{A}\hat{B}^l - \hat{B}^l\hat{A} = \hat{A}\hat{B}^l - \hat{B}\hat{A}\hat{B}^{l-1} + \hat{B}\hat{A}\hat{B}^{l-1} - \hat{B}^l\hat{A} = \left[ \hat{A}, \hat{B} \right]\hat{B}^{l-1} + \hat{B} \left[ \hat{A}, \hat{B}^{l-1} \right]$$

$$\bullet \ \left[ \hat{x}, \hat{p}^l \right] = i\hbar l \hat{p}^{l-1} = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{p}} \hat{p}^l, \ \left[ \hat{p}, \hat{x}^l \right] = -i\hbar l x^{l-1} = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}} \hat{x}^l \ (\text{induction})$$

$$\bullet \ \ [\hat{x},F(\hat{p})]=i\hbar\frac{\partial F(\hat{p})}{\partial \hat{p}}, [\hat{p},G(\hat{x})]=-i\hbar\frac{\partial G(\hat{x})}{\partial \hat{x}}$$

• 
$$[\hat{x}, F(\hat{p}, \hat{x})] = i\hbar \frac{\partial F(\hat{p}, \hat{x})}{\partial \hat{p}}$$
 (Taylor series)

• 
$$[\hat{p}, F(\hat{p}, \hat{x})] = -i\hbar \frac{\partial F(\hat{p}, \hat{x})}{\partial \hat{x}}$$

• 
$$\left[\hat{A}, F(\hat{A})\right] = \hat{0}, \left[\hat{x}, V(\hat{x})\right] = \hat{0}, \ \hat{V} = V(\hat{x})$$
 is an observable. But  $\left[\hat{p}, V(\hat{x})\right] = -i\hbar \frac{\mathrm{d}V(\hat{x})}{\mathrm{d}\hat{x}} \neq \hat{0}$ 

53. • 
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle \hat{x} \rangle}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \left[ \hat{H}, \hat{x} \right] \rangle = \frac{\langle \hat{p} \rangle}{m}$$

• 
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle \hat{p}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\langle \frac{\mathrm{d}V(\hat{x})}{\mathrm{d}\hat{x}}\rangle = \langle F(\hat{x})\rangle$$

• 
$$\langle F(\hat{x}) \rangle \neq F(\langle \hat{x} \rangle)$$

54. Heisenberg picture  $\hat{A}^H(t) = e^{i\hat{H}t/\hbar}\hat{A}e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} = \hat{U}^{\dagger}(t,t_0)\hat{A}\hat{U}(t,t_0), \langle A(t)\rangle = \langle \psi(0)|\hat{A}^H|\psi(0)\rangle$  (observable/variable changes instead of state vector/wavefunction)

55. Heisenberg equation 
$$i\hbar \frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{A}^H}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left[\hat{A}^H, \hat{H}\right]$$
, for time-independent observable  $\hat{A}$ 

56. von-Neumann equation 
$$i\hbar \frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{O}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \left[\hat{H},\hat{O}\right]$$

57.  $\Psi(\mathbf{r},t) = \Psi(x,y,z,t) = \Psi(r,\theta,\phi,t), P(\mathbf{r}) = |\Psi(x,y,z,t)|^2 dx dy dz = |\Psi(r,\theta,\phi,t)|^2 r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi,$  plane wave  $\Psi(\mathbf{r},t) \propto e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}-i\omega t} = e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{r}/\hbar-i\omega t}$ 

58. 
$$[\hat{r}_j, \hat{p}_k] = i\hbar \delta_{jk}$$

59. Angular momentum operator 
$$\begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{L}}^{\dagger} = \hat{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{e}_x & \mathbf{e}_y & \mathbf{e}_z \\ x & y & z \\ p_x & p_y & p_z \end{vmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{y}\hat{p}_z - \hat{z}\hat{p}_y \\ \hat{z}\hat{p}_x - \hat{x}\hat{p}_z \\ \hat{x}\hat{p}_y - \hat{y}\hat{p}_x \end{pmatrix}$$

60.

$$\begin{split} \left[ \hat{L}_x, \hat{L}_y \right] &= i\hbar \hat{L}_z \\ \left[ \hat{L}_y, \hat{L}_z \right] &= i\hbar \hat{L}_x \\ \left[ \hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_x \right] &= i\hbar \hat{L}_y \end{split}$$

only one component can be measured accurately, usually chosen to be  $\hat{L}_z$ 

61. 
$$\hat{L}^2 = \hat{\mathbf{L}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}} = \hat{L}_x^2 + \hat{L}_y^2 + \hat{L}_z^2$$
,  $\left[\hat{L}_x^2, \hat{L}_z\right] = -i\hbar(\hat{L}_x\hat{L}_y + \hat{L}_y\hat{L}_x) = -\left[\hat{L}_y^2, \hat{L}_z\right]$ 

$$\left[\hat{L}^2, \hat{L}_x\right] = 0$$

$$\left[\hat{L}^2, \hat{L}_y\right] = 0$$

$$\left[\hat{L}^2, \hat{L}_z\right] = 0$$

$$\left[\hat{r}^2, \hat{L}_x\right] = \left[\hat{p}^2, \hat{L}_x\right] = 0$$

62. Ladder operators (again not observables)

$$\hat{L}_{+} = \hat{L}_{x} + i\hat{L}_{y} = \hat{L}_{-}^{\dagger}$$

$$\hat{L}_{-} = \hat{L}_{x} - i\hat{L}_{y} = \hat{L}_{+}^{\dagger},$$

$$\frac{\left[\hat{L}_{z},\hat{L}_{\pm}\right] = \hbar\hat{L}_{\pm}}{\left[\hat{L}_{z}\hat{L}_{\pm} = \hat{L}_{\pm}\hat{L}_{z} \pm \hbar\hat{L}_{\pm}, \text{ For eigenvectors of } \hat{L}_{z}, \hat{L}_{z} |\phi_{\alpha}\rangle = \alpha\hbar |\phi_{\alpha}\rangle, \hat{L}_{z}\hat{L}_{\pm} |\phi_{\alpha}\rangle}$$

$$= (\hat{L}_{\pm}\hat{L}_{z} \pm \hbar\hat{L}_{\pm}) |\phi_{\alpha}\rangle = (m_{l} \pm 1)\hbar\hat{L}_{\pm} |\phi_{\alpha}\rangle$$

63.  $\hat{L}_{+}|\phi_{\alpha}\rangle$  and  $\hat{L}_{-}|\phi_{\alpha}\rangle$  are the eigenstate of  $\hat{L}_{z}$  with eigenvalue  $(\alpha+1)\hbar$  and  $(\alpha-1)\hbar$ 

64. 
$$\left[\hat{L}^2,\hat{L}_{\pm}\right] = \left[\hat{L}^2,\hat{L}_x \pm i\hat{L}_y\right] = 0, \ \hat{L}^2\hat{L}_{\pm} \left|\phi_{\alpha}\right\rangle = \hat{L}_{\pm}\hat{L}^2 \left|\phi_{\alpha}\right\rangle = \Lambda\hbar^2\hat{L}_{\pm} \left|\phi_{\alpha}\right\rangle$$

65.  $m_l = 0, \pm 1, \dots, \pm l,$ 

66. 
$$\hat{L}_{-}\hat{L}_{+} = \hat{L}^{2} - \hat{L}_{z}^{2} - \hbar \hat{L}_{z}$$

67.

$$\hat{L}_{-}|l, m_{l}\rangle = C_{l, m_{l}}|l, m_{l} - 1\rangle, \quad C_{l, m_{l}} = \hbar\sqrt{l(l+1) - m_{l}(m_{l} - 1)}$$

$$\hat{L}_{+}|l, m_{l}\rangle = D_{l, m_{l}}|l, m_{l} + 1\rangle, \quad D_{l, m_{l}} = \hbar\sqrt{l(l+1) - m_{l}(m_{l} + 1)}$$

68.  $L_z = m_e v r$ ,  $T = 2\pi r/v$ , magnetic dipole moment  $\mu_z = IA = \frac{-e}{T}\pi r^2 = \boxed{\gamma L_z} = -\frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} m_l = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} m_l = \frac{e$  $\frac{1}{\mu_B m_l}$ ,  $\gamma = -\frac{e}{2m_e}$  is the gyromagnetic ratio,  $\mu_B = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e}$  is Bohr's magneton

69.

$$\hat{p}_r = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \tag{1}$$

$$\hat{p}_{\theta} = -i\hbar \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \tag{2}$$

$$\hat{p}_{\phi} = -i\hbar \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \tag{3}$$

$$\hat{L}_x = i\hbar \left( \sin \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \cot \theta \cos \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \tag{4}$$

$$\hat{L}_{y} = i\hbar \left( -\cos\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} + \cot\theta \sin\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \right) \tag{5}$$

$$\hat{L}_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$
 (6)

$$0 = [\hat{L}_x, \hat{r}] = [\hat{L}_y, \hat{r}] = [\hat{L}_z, \hat{r}]$$
(7)

$$\hat{L}_{\pm} = \hbar e^{\pm i\phi} \left( \pm \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) \tag{8}$$

$$\hat{L}^{2} = -\hbar^{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^{2} \theta} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial \phi^{2}} \right]$$

$$\frac{\hat{p}^{2}}{2m} = -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m} \nabla^{2} = -\frac{\hbar^{2}}{2m} \frac{1}{r^{2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\hat{L}^{2}}{2mr^{2}}$$
(10)

$$\left| \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\hat{L}^2}{2mr^2} \right|$$
(10)

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2mr^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\hat{L}^2}{2mr^2} + V(r) \qquad \text{Central potential}$$
 (11)

$$0 = [\hat{L}_x, \hat{H}(r)] = [\hat{L}_y, \hat{H}(r)] = [\hat{L}_z, \hat{H}(r)]$$
 Central potential (12)

70. 
$$\hat{L}_z Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi) = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} Y_{l,m_l} = \frac{m_l \hbar Y_{l,m_l}}{M_l \hbar Y_{l,m_l}} = \frac{Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi)}{M_l \hbar Y_{l,m_l}}$$

71. 
$$\hat{L}^2 Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi) = \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{l} Y_{l,m_l}$$

72.  $\hat{H}\psi_{n,l,m_l}(r,\theta,\phi) = E\psi_{n,l,m_l}, \ \psi_{n,l,m_l} = R_{n,l}(r)Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi)$ 

$$\begin{array}{lll} n \geq 1 & \text{principal quantum number} \\ l = 0, 1, 2, \cdots, n-1 & \text{orbital angular momentum quantum number} \\ m_l = -l, \cdots, 0, \cdots, l & \text{magnetic angular momentum quantum number} \\ s = \frac{1}{2}, 1, 0, 2 & \text{spin} \\ m_s = -s, \cdots, s & \text{spin magnetic quantum number} \\ j = |l-s|, |l-s|+1, \ldots, l+s & \text{total angular momentum quantum number} \\ m_j = -j, \ldots, j & \text{total magnetic angular momentum quantum number} \end{array}$$

73. Symmetry  $Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi) = Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi+2\pi)$ ,  $e^{i2\pi m_l} = 1$ , satisfied because  $m_l$  is an integer 74.

$$\begin{split} \hat{L}_{+} \left| l, l \right\rangle &= \hbar e^{i\phi} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) Y_{l,l}(\theta, \phi) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial Y_{l,l}}{\partial \theta} &= -i \cot \theta \frac{\partial Y_{l,l}}{\partial \phi} = l \cot \theta Y_{l,l} \\ Y_{l,l}(\theta, \phi) &= F_{l,l}(\theta) e^{il\phi} \\ \sin \theta \frac{\partial F_{l,l}}{\partial \theta} &= l \cos \theta F_{l,l} \\ F_{l,l}(\theta) &= C(\sin \theta)^{l} \\ \hline Y_{l,l}(\theta, \phi) &= C(\sin \theta)^{l} e^{il\phi} \end{split}$$

75. 
$$F_{l,m_l-1} = \frac{-\hbar}{C_{l,m_l}} \left( \frac{\partial F_{l,m_l}}{\partial \theta} + m_l \cot \theta F_{l,m_l} \right)$$

76. 
$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} |\psi(r,\theta,\phi)|^2 r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$$
$$\int |Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi)|^2 d\Omega = \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} |Y_{l,m_l}|^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi = 1$$
$$P(r) dr = |R_{n,l}(r)|^2 r^2 dr$$

77. Spherical harmonics

• 
$$Y_{l,-m_l}(\theta,\phi) = (-1)^{m_l} Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\phi) = Y_{l,m_l}(\theta,\pi-\phi)$$

• 
$$Y_{l,m_l}(\pi - \theta, \pi + \phi) = (-1)^l Y_{l,m_l}(\theta, \phi)$$

78. Diatomic molecules

• 
$$E = \frac{L^2}{2I} = \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2I}$$
 with  $2l+1$  degeneracy

• 
$$P_n = \frac{e^{-\beta E_n}}{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-\beta E_n}}, \ \beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$$

• 
$$\langle E \rangle = \frac{\sum_{l} \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2I} (2l+1) e^{-\frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2Ik_B T}}}{\sum_{l} (2l+1) e^{-\frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2Ik_B T}}}$$

• The characteristic temperature 
$$\theta_{rot} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2Ik_B}$$

• 
$$C_{rot} = N \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial T}$$

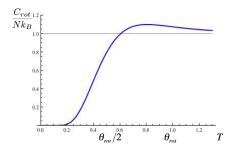


Figure 9.5: Rotational specific heat normalised to R, where  $N = n_{\text{mol}} N_A$ is the number of molecules, and  $n_{\rm mol}$  is the number of moles.

• 
$$\lim_{T\to 0} C_{rot} = 0$$

• 
$$\lim_{T \to \infty} C_{rot} = R = N_A k_B$$

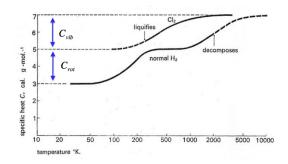


Figure 9.6: Total heat capacities of hydrogen and chlorine.

- Heavier the atom, greater the I, smaller the  $\theta_{rot}$
- unlike  $C_{vib}$ ,  $C_{rot}$  has lower characteristic temperature, thus generally present in diatomic gas ( $\theta_{rot}$  < freezing point) for elements heavier than  $D_2$  (Deuterium)

79. 
$$\hat{L}^2 \psi = l(l+1)\hbar^2 \psi$$
, combining with (10)

$$\bullet \quad -\frac{\hbar^2}{2mr^2}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}\left(r^2\frac{\partial R_{n,l}}{\partial r}\right) + \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2mr^2}R_{n,l} + V(r)R_{n,l} = ER_{n,l}$$

• substitution 
$$U_{n,l}(r) = rR_{n,l}(r)$$
,  $-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 U_{n,l}}{\partial r^2} + \left[ \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2mr^2} + V(r) \right] U_{n,l} = EU_{n,l}$ 

• 1D Schrödinger, with 
$$V(r)$$
 replaced by  $\frac{\langle \hat{L}^2 \rangle}{2mr^2} + V(r)$ 

Hydrogen-like atom (one electron) 
$$-V(r)=-\frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$
 
$$-\left[E_n=-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\frac{Z^2}{a_0^2}\frac{1}{n^2}\right]=-\frac{13.6Z^2}{n^2}\mathrm{eV},$$

where 
$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}{me^2} = \frac{\hbar}{\alpha mc} = 0.53 \times 10^{-10}$$
 is the Bohr radius. 
$$-A = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}, \ \kappa^2 = -\frac{2mE_n}{\hbar^2}, \ \kappa = \frac{Z}{na_0}$$

$$-R_{n,l} = \frac{U_{n,l}}{r} \propto \sum_{l=1}^{n-(l+1)} c_q r^{q+l} e^{-\kappa r}$$

$$- c_{q+1} = c_q \frac{2\kappa(q+l+1-A/2\kappa)}{(q+1)[q+2(l+1)]}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
n \ge 1 \\
l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1 \\
m_l = -l, -l + 1, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, l - 1, l
\end{array}$$

– The energy degeneracy of state 
$$n$$
 is  $2\sum_{l=0}^{n-1}(2l+1)=2n^2$ , factor of 2 due to spin

80. Two body problem  $\hat{V} = \hat{V}(|\mathbf{r}_b - \mathbf{r}_a|) = \hat{V}(|\mathbf{r}|)$ , then

• 
$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}_a^2}{2m_a} + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}_b^2}{2m_b} + \hat{V}(\mathbf{r}_a, \mathbf{r}_b)$$

- Centre of mass position  $\hat{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{m_a \hat{\mathbf{r}}_a + m_b \hat{\mathbf{r}}_b}{m_a + m_b}$
- Relative position  $\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}_b \hat{\mathbf{r}}_a$

•

$$\begin{split} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_a &= \frac{m_b}{m_a + m_b} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \hat{\mathbf{R}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{r}}_b &= -\frac{m_a}{m_a + m_b} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \hat{\mathbf{R}} \end{split}$$

- CoM momentum  $\hat{\mathbf{P}} = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{R}} = i\hbar \left( \frac{\partial \hat{r}_a}{\partial \hat{R}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{r}_a} + \frac{\partial \hat{r}_b}{\partial \hat{R}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{r}_b} \right) = \hat{\mathbf{p}}_a + \hat{\mathbf{p}}_b$
- relative momentum  $\hat{\mathbf{p}} = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{r}}} = \frac{m_a m_b}{m_a + m_b} \left( \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}_a}{m_a} \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}_a}{m_b} \right)$
- $[\hat{\mathbf{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}] = [\hat{\mathbf{r}}, \hat{\mathbf{P}}] = 0, \ [\hat{\mathbf{R}}, \hat{\mathbf{P}}] = [\hat{\mathbf{r}}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}] = i\hbar$
- $\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle\hat{\mathbf{P}}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{i}{\hbar}\langle\left[\hat{H},\hat{\mathbf{P}}\right]\rangle = 0$
- $\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{P}}^2}{2m} + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}}{2\mu} + \hat{V}(r), \ \frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{1}{m_a} + \frac{1}{m_b}$
- CoM  $\hat{H}_{CoM} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_R^2$
- Relative  $\hat{H}_r = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla_r^2 + V(r)$
- $\bullet \ \ \boxed{\psi(\mathbf{R},\mathbf{r}) = U(\mathbf{R})u(\mathbf{r})}, \ \frac{1}{U(\mathbf{R})}\hat{H}_{CoM}U(\mathbf{R}) + \frac{1}{u(\mathbf{r})}\hat{H}_ru(\mathbf{r}) = E\psi(\mathbf{R},\mathbf{r})$
- $\hat{H}_{CoM}U(\mathbf{R}) = E_{CoM}U(\mathbf{R}), \, \hat{H}_ru(r) = E_ru(r)$
- $\psi(\mathbf{r}_a, \mathbf{r}_b) = \psi(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{P}\cdot\mathbf{R}/\hbar}\psi_{n,l,m_l}(\mathbf{r})$
- 81. Spin  $\hat{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{i}\hat{S}_x + \mathbf{j}\hat{S}_y + \mathbf{k}\hat{S}_z$ , analogous to  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}$

82.

$$\begin{split} \left[ \hat{S}_x, \hat{S}_y \right] &= i\hbar \hat{S}_z \\ \left[ \hat{S}_y, \hat{S}_z \right] &= i\hbar \hat{S}_x \\ \left[ \hat{S}_z, \hat{S}_x \right] &= i\hbar \hat{S}_y \end{split}$$

- 83. Because of the commutation relationships,  $\left[\hat{S}^2, \hat{S}_z\right] = 0$ ,  $\hat{S}_z |\psi\rangle = m_s \hbar |\psi\rangle$ ,  $\hat{S}^2 |\psi\rangle = s(s+1)\hbar^2$
- 84. (2s+1) possible values,  $m_s = -s, -s+1 \cdots, s-1, s, s$  is integer or half-integer, 2s+1 is odd or even
- 85. Electron:  $2s+1=2, \ s=1/2, \ \langle \hat{S}_z \rangle = \pm \hbar/2, \ \langle \hat{S} \rangle = \sqrt{s(s+1)}\hbar = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\hbar, \ \hat{S}_z \mid \uparrow \rangle = +\frac{\hbar}{2} \mid \uparrow \rangle$  is spin up,  $\hat{S}_z \mid \downarrow \rangle = -\frac{\hbar}{2} \mid \downarrow \rangle$  is spin down
- 86.  $\hat{S}_{\pm} = \hat{S}_x \pm i\hat{S}_y$

$$\langle \hat{S}_z \rangle = \pm \hbar/2 \hat{S}_+ |s, m_s\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{s(s+1) - m_s(m_s+1)} |s, m_s+1\rangle$$
$$\hat{S}_- |s, m_s\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{s(s+1) - m_s(m_s-1)} |s, m_s-1\rangle$$

• Which results in

$$\hat{S}_{+} |\uparrow\rangle = |0\rangle$$

$$\hat{S}_{+} |\downarrow\rangle = \hbar |\uparrow\rangle$$

$$\hat{S}_{-} |\uparrow\rangle = \hbar |\downarrow\rangle$$

$$\hat{S}_{-} |\downarrow\rangle = |0\rangle$$

• 
$$\hat{S}_x = \frac{\hat{S}_+ + \hat{S}_-}{2}, \hat{S}_y = \frac{\hat{S}_+ - \hat{S}_-}{2i}, \hat{S}_x | \uparrow \rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2} | \downarrow \rangle, \hat{S}_x | \downarrow \rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2} | \uparrow \rangle,$$

$$|\chi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle \pm |\downarrow\rangle)$$

$$\hat{S}_x |\chi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2} |\chi_{\pm}\rangle$$

$$|\phi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\rangle \pm i |\downarrow\rangle)$$

$$\hat{S}_y |\phi_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2} |\phi_{\pm}\rangle$$

87. 
$$\hat{\mathbf{J}} = \hat{\mathbf{L}} + \hat{\mathbf{S}}$$

88.

$$\begin{split} \left[\hat{J}_x,\hat{J}_y\right] &= i\hbar\hat{J}_z\\ \left[\hat{J}_y,\hat{J}_z\right] &= i\hbar\hat{J}_x\\ \left[\hat{J}_z,\hat{J}_x\right] &= i\hbar\hat{J}_y \end{split}$$

89. Thus, 
$$\left[\hat{J}^{2}, \hat{J}_{z}\right] = 0$$
,  $\hat{J}_{z} |\psi\rangle = m_{j} \hbar |\psi\rangle$ ,  $\hat{J}^{2} |\psi\rangle = j(j+1) \hbar^{2} |\psi\rangle$ ,  $m_{j} = -j, \dots, j$ 

90. 
$$|j, m_j\rangle = \sum_{l, m_l, s, m_s} C_{l, m_l, s, m_s} |l, m_l\rangle |s, m_s\rangle$$

91. Total ladder operators 
$$\hat{J}_{\pm} = \hat{L}_{\pm} + \hat{S}_{\pm}$$
,  $\hat{J}_{\pm} | j, m_j \rangle = \hbar \sqrt{j(j+1) - m_j(m_j \pm 1)} | j, m_j \pm 1 \rangle$ 

92.	Spin	1/2	0	1
	Electron	•		
	Proton	•		
	Neutron	•		
	Quark	•		
	Photon			•
	Phonon		•	
	Higgs boson		•	

93. Particle exchange operator

- $\hat{P}_{ij} |\xi_i, \xi_j\rangle = |\xi_j, \xi_i\rangle$
- $\langle P \rangle = 1$
- $\hat{P}_{ij}^{\dagger}\hat{P}_{ij} = \hat{I} = \hat{P}_{ij}^2$
- $\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle P \rangle}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{i}{\hbar} \langle [\hat{H}, \hat{P}] \rangle = 0$
- $[\hat{A}, \hat{P}_{ij}] = 0$ ,  $\hat{P}_{ij}$  compatible with all observables

- 94. The  $symmetrisation\ postulate$ : states of N identical particles are either exchange symmetric or exchanged antisymmetric
- 95. The *spin statistics theorem*: integer spin particles are bosons  $p_B(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\exp[(\epsilon \mu)/k_B T] 1}$ , half-dd-integer spin particles are fermions  $p_F(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{\exp[(\epsilon \mu)/k_B T] + 1}$
- 96. Two particle basis  $|\alpha\rangle |\alpha\rangle, |\alpha\rangle |\beta\rangle, |\beta\rangle |\alpha\rangle, |\beta\rangle |\beta\rangle$  can be expressed as  $|\alpha\rangle |\alpha\rangle, |s\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|\alpha\rangle |\beta\rangle + |\beta\rangle |\alpha\rangle], |a\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[|\alpha\rangle |\beta\rangle |\beta\rangle |\alpha\rangle], |a\rangle = |a\rangle, |a\rangle$  is antisymmetric  $(\hat{P}_{\alpha\beta} |a\rangle = -|a\rangle)$ , the others are symmetric  $(\hat{P}_{\alpha\beta} |s\rangle = |s\rangle)$
- 97. N bosons placed in n states, each having  $m_n$  bosons
  - $|1,2,1\rangle,\,|1,1,2\rangle$  and  $|2,1,1\rangle$  are the same state, to use previous notations, we add them up and normalize
  - The state is described by  $\frac{2!1!}{3!}[|1,1,2\rangle+|1,2,1\rangle+|2,1,1\rangle]$
  - generally this symmetric/boson state is

$$|a \dots r \dots z\rangle^s = \sqrt{\frac{\prod_n (m_n!)}{N!}} \sum_P |\xi^a\rangle \dots |\xi^r\rangle \dots |\xi^z\rangle$$

where P loops through all permutations.

- 98. N fermions
  - for fermions, each occupy a unique state  $(m_n = 1 \text{ only})$
  - $|1,1,2\rangle$  does not exist; cannot have two fermions being 1
  - $|123\rangle^a = |1,2,3\rangle + |2,3,1\rangle + |3,1,2\rangle |1,3,2\rangle |3,2,1\rangle |2,1,3\rangle$

• 
$$|a \dots r \dots z\rangle^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \sum_{P} (-1)^{f(P)} |\xi^a\rangle \dots |\xi^r\rangle \dots |\xi^z\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \begin{vmatrix} |\xi^1\rangle & |\xi^1\rangle & \dots & |\xi^1\rangle \\ |\xi^2\rangle & |\xi^2\rangle & \dots & |\xi^2\rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ |\xi^N\rangle & |\xi^N\rangle & \dots & |\xi^N\rangle \end{vmatrix}$$

where f(P) is the number of swaps needed to get permutation P from original order, the determinant is the *Slater determinant*.

- 99. Davisson & Germer, electrons have de Broglie wavelength (they diffract off a lattice with Bragg reflection,  $d\sin\theta = n\lambda$ )
- 100. Bohr's atom, discrete angular momentum makes electrons stay in stable orbit
- 101. Planck's blackbody, discrete photon energy/cavity mode produces correct equation, solved the ultaviolet catastrophe in Rayleight-Jeans law
- 102. Photoelectric effect, work function, intensity useless frequency important
- 103. Stern-Gerlach (2 splits, not odd number of 2l+1 splits, due to spin)

