

Introduction to Applications of Quantum Computing to Quantum Chemistry

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Bose-Einstein Condensates and the Involvement in Advances for New Technologies

(1) [Exercise] Interactions between atoms and the low-energy limit.

a)

Scattering is taken into account by introducing a potential $U(\mathbf{r})$ that acts on an initial state, and we obtain a final state, in a finite range ($r < R$) with hamiltonian

$$H = H_0 + U(\mathbf{r})$$

the result for the asymptotic behavior of the wave function is (for large r)

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) \rightarrow \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \left[e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} + \frac{e^{ik\cdot r}}{r} f(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \right]$$

where

$$f(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') = -\frac{m(2\pi)^3}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int d^3r' \langle \mathbf{k}' | \mathbf{r}' \rangle U(\mathbf{r}') \langle \mathbf{r}' | \psi \rangle$$

To obtain the last wave function, we assumed the scattering potential $U(\mathbf{r})$ to be real, finite-ranged, local, and that it is spherically symmetric. Hence, we can write $U(\mathbf{r}) = U(r)$. In the scattering region ($0 < r < R$), we can write the Schrödinger equation as

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

Due to the spherical symmetry of $U(r)$ the Laplacian can be expressed in spherical coordinates

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} r + \frac{L^2}{2mr^2} + U(r) \right) \psi(r, \theta, \phi) = E \psi(r, \theta, \phi)$$

where L is the angular momentum operator. From the last equation we can see that the particle is subject to the action of an effective potential

$$U_{eff}(r) = U(r) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2}$$

where the second term on the right-hand side is a repulsive centrifugal barrier. It is absent for $l = 0$.

For low-energy scattering, in terms of k and R is:

$$kR \ll 1$$

where the reduced wavelength $\frac{\lambda}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{k}$.

If the energy is close to zero, the particle cannot overcome the centrifugal barrier and results with $l > 0$ are not important and the component with $l = 0$ is dominant to understand the low-energy scattering. Hence it is most relevant.

b) S-wave scattering length:

S-wave scattering length is the parameter that characterizes the effective range of interaction in case of the low energy limit of the incident wave, i.e., for $l = 0$ term in the partial wave analysis referred to as “s-wave”.

c) The scattering length is given by

$$a = \frac{m_r}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int U(\mathbf{r}) d^3r$$

For $U = U_0\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 a &= \frac{m_r}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int U_0\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')d^3r \\
 a &= \frac{m_r}{2\pi\hbar^2} U_0 \int \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')d^3r \\
 a &= \frac{m_r}{2\pi\hbar^2} U_0 \int \delta(x - x')\delta(y - y')\delta(z - z')dxdydz \\
 a &= \frac{m_r}{2\pi\hbar^2} U_0 \\
 U_0 &= \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a}{m_r}
 \end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$U = \frac{2\pi\hbar^2 a}{m_r} \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$$

(2) [Exercise] The Gross-Pitaevskii equation.

a) We have the Hamiltonian as

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\frac{\mathbf{p}_i^2}{2m} + V(\mathbf{r}_i) \right] + U_0 \sum_{i < j} \delta(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)$$

and the wave function as

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) = \prod_{i=1}^N \phi(r_i)$$

Expectation value,

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &= \int \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) H \Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) \prod_i d^3r_i \\
 &= \int \prod_i \left(\phi^*(r_i) \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \left[\frac{\mathbf{p}_i^2}{2m} + V(\mathbf{r}_i) \right] + U_0 \sum_{j < k} \delta(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j) \right) \right) \phi(r_i) d^3r_i \\
 &\quad \text{with } \mathbf{p}_i = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} + i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} + i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \\
 &= \prod_i \int \phi^*(\mathbf{r}_i) \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_j^2 + V(\mathbf{r}_j) \right) + U_0 \sum_{j < k} \delta(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j) \right) \phi(\mathbf{r}_i) d^3r_i \\
 &\quad \text{As } \int d^3r_i |\phi(r_i)|^2 = 1 \quad \forall i
 \end{aligned}$$

we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{j=1}^N \int \phi^*(\mathbf{r}_j) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_j^2 + V(\mathbf{r}_j) \right) \phi(\mathbf{r}_j) d^3r_j \\
 &+ \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{j < k} \int \phi^*(\mathbf{r}_j) \phi^*(\mathbf{r}_k) U_0 \delta(\mathbf{r}_j - \mathbf{r}_k) \phi(\mathbf{r}_j) \phi(\mathbf{r}_k) d^3r_j d^3r_k
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) As each ϕ_i will give the same contribution to the integral, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &= N \int \phi^*(\mathbf{r}) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) \right) \phi(\mathbf{r}) d^3r \\
 &+ \frac{U_0 N(N-1)}{2} \int \phi^*(\mathbf{r}') \phi^*(\mathbf{r}) \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \phi(\mathbf{r}') \phi(\mathbf{r}) d^3r d^3r'
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= N \int \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \phi^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla^2 \phi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) |\phi(\mathbf{r})|^2 + \frac{U_0 N(N-1)}{2} |\phi(\mathbf{r})|^4 \right) d^3 r$$

We have

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{N} \phi(\mathbf{r})$$

so:

$$= \int \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 + U_0 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2N} \right) |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^4 \right) d^3 r$$

For large N , ignoring $\frac{1}{N}$ terms:

$$E = \int \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 + \frac{U_0}{2} |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^4 \right) d^3 r$$

Using the method of Lagrange multipliers, we have to minimize the quantity $E - \mu N$, with μ being the chemical potential, and:

$$N = \int |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 d^3 r$$

Seeing its variation w.r.t. $\Psi^*(\mathbf{r})$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Psi^*(\mathbf{r})} (E - \mu N) &= \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \Psi^*(\mathbf{r})} \int &\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}) \nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{U_0}{2} \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \mu |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 \right) d^3 r = 0 \\ \Rightarrow &\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(\mathbf{r}) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) + U_0 |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}) - \mu \Psi(\mathbf{r}) \right) d^3 r = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Which leads to:

$$\left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) + U_0 |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 \right) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) = \mu \Psi(\mathbf{r})$$

This is the time-independent Gross-Pitaevskii equation.

(c) For uniform Bose gas, $\Psi(\mathbf{r})$ doesn't have a spatial dependence, so:

$$\nabla^2 \Psi(\mathbf{r}) = 0$$

Also, there is no trapping potential for a uniform Bose gas. Thus, $V(\mathbf{r}) = 0$. So the G.P.E. becomes:

$$U_0 |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 = \mu$$

(3) [Challenge] Computational project.

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Prospects and Challenges for Quantum Machine Learning

(a) [Exercise] We have Id, X, \cdot (dot product).

It's a group if :

Closure $\forall a, b \in V, a \cdot b \in V$

So:

$$Id \cdot X = X \quad \text{and} \quad X \cdot Id = X \quad \text{where} \quad X \in V.$$

Associativity For all $a, b, c \in V$:

$$(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$$

Example checks for associativity:

1.) Given: $a = Id, b = X, c = Id$

$$\begin{aligned} (Id \cdot X) \cdot Id &= X \cdot Id = X \\ Id \cdot (X \cdot Id) &= Id \cdot X = X \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ All are equal}$$

2.) Given: $a = Id, b = X, c = X$

We know:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = Id$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} (Id \cdot X) \cdot X &= X \cdot X = Id \\ Id \cdot (X \cdot X) &= Id \cdot Id = Id \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ Are equal}$$

3.) Given: $a = Id, b = Id, c = Id$

$$\begin{aligned} (Id \cdot Id) \cdot Id &= Id \cdot Id = Id \\ Id \cdot (Id \cdot Id) &= Id \cdot Id = Id \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ Are equal}$$

4.) Given: $a = Id, b = Id, c = X$

$$\begin{aligned} (Id \cdot Id) \cdot X &= Id \cdot X = X \\ Id \cdot (Id \cdot X) &= Id \cdot X = X \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ Are equal}$$

5.) Given: $a = X, b = X, c = Id$

$$\begin{aligned} (X \cdot X) \cdot Id &= Id \cdot Id = Id \\ X \cdot (X \cdot Id) &= X \cdot X = Id \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ Are equal}$$

6. Given: $a = X, b = X, c = X$

$$\begin{aligned} (X \cdot X) \cdot X &= Id \cdot X = X \\ X \cdot (X \cdot X) &= X \cdot Id = X \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ Are equal}$$

7.) Given: $a = X, b = Id, c = Id$

$$\begin{aligned} (X \cdot Id) \cdot Id &= X \cdot Id = X \\ X \cdot (Id \cdot Id) &= X \cdot Id = X \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ Are equal}$$

8.) Given: $a = Id, b = Id, c = X$

$$\begin{aligned} (Id \cdot Id) \cdot X &= Id \cdot X = X \\ Id \cdot (Id \cdot X) &= Id \cdot X = X \end{aligned} \quad \} \text{ Are equal}$$

Thus all elements are associative.

Identity Element For all $a \in V$, there exists $e \in V$ called the identity of a , such that:

$$a \cdot e = e \cdot a = a$$

1.) If $a=Id$ Then:

$$Id \cdot Id = Id.$$

2.) If $a=X$ Then

$$X \cdot Id = Id \cdot X = X$$

Thus $e = Id$ is the identity element of the group.

Inverse Element For all $a \in V$, there exists $b \in V$ called the inverse of a , such that:

$$a \cdot b = b \cdot a = e$$

where $e = Id$ is the identity element.

1.) If $a=Id$ We assume that $b = Id$, thus:

$$Id \cdot Id = Id.$$

2.) If $a=X$ We assume that $b = X$, thus:

$$X \cdot X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = Id$$

Hence this is a group.

(b)[Exercise] We have

$$U = e^{-i\Phi_3 Y} e^{-i\Phi_2 X} e^{-i\Phi_1 Y}$$

$$\left. \frac{dU}{d\Phi_1} \right|_{\Phi=0} = -iY e^{-i\Phi_1 Y} e^{-i\Phi_2 X} e^{-i\Phi_3 Y} \Big|_{\Phi=0}$$

where $\Phi = 0 \rightarrow \{\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3\} = \{0, 0, 0\}$:

$$= -iY$$

Similarly:

$$\left. \frac{dU}{d\Phi_2} \right|_{\Phi=0} = -iX$$

$$\left. \frac{dU}{d\Phi_3} \right|_{\Phi=0} = -iY$$

Now we have:

$$\begin{aligned} [-iX, -iY] &= -[X, Y] \\ X &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ XY &= \begin{bmatrix} i & 0 \\ 0 & -i \end{bmatrix}, \quad YX = \begin{bmatrix} -i & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{bmatrix} \\ [X, Y] &= 2i \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = 2iZ, \quad Z = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ [-iX, -iY] &= 2(-iZ) \end{aligned}$$

Let:

$$C_1 = -iX, \quad C_2 = -iY, \quad C_3 = -iZ$$

$$[C_1, C_2] = 2C_3$$

Similarly:

$$[C_1, C_3] = -[X, Z]$$

$$XZ = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad ZX = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So:

$$[C_1, C_3] = -2(-iY) = -2C_2$$

Similarly:

$$[C_2, C_3] = -[Y, Z]$$

$$YZ = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad ZY = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i \\ -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So:

$$[C_2, C_3] = 2(-iX) = 2C_1$$

Thus, the commutation relations are:

$$[C_i, C_j] = 2\epsilon_{ijk} C_k$$

Thus, the generators of U satisfy the same commutation relations as generators of $SU(2)$. Hence, group U is a representation of the $SU(2)$ group.

(3)[Challenge]

For any group g , we have:

$$R(g) \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda} I_{m_{\lambda}} \otimes R_{\lambda}(g)$$

where $R_{\lambda}(g)$ are the irreducible representations of group g and m_{λ} is their multiplicity.

An element A of the commutant is of the form:

$$A \cong \bigoplus_{\lambda} A_{m_{\lambda}} \otimes I_{d_{\lambda}}$$

Here d_{λ} is the dimension of the irreps, and $A_{m_{\lambda}}$ is an arbitrary $m_{\lambda} \times m_{\lambda}$ matrix.

For an arbitrary $m_{\lambda} \times m_{\lambda}$ matrix, we have m_{λ}^2 basis vectors.

For a matrix given as $A_{m_{\lambda}} \otimes I_{d_{\lambda}}$, we only require m_{λ}^2 basis elements as its basis will be:

$$\{\{\text{basis element of } A_{m_{\lambda}}\} \otimes I_{d_{\lambda}}\}$$

e.g., $m_{\lambda} = 2$, $d_{\lambda} = 2$, the basis elements are:

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Thus, for the element of the commutant A given as:

$$A = \bigoplus_{\lambda} A_{m_{\lambda}} \otimes I_{d_{\lambda}}$$

The number of basis elements or the dimension D is:

$$D = \sum_{\lambda} m_{\lambda}^2.$$

High Dimensional Quantum Computing with Structured Light

(1) [Exercise] First order Hermite-Gauss modes are given as:

$$\begin{aligned} HG_{01}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{\omega(z)\sqrt{\pi}} H_0 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{\omega(z)} \right) H_1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}y}{\omega(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i \left(k \frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2R(z)} \right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{y}{\omega^2(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i \left(k \frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2R(z)} \right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \\ HG_{10}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{\omega(z)\sqrt{\pi}} H_1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{\omega(z)} \right) H_0 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}y}{\omega(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i \left(k \frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2R(z)} \right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{x}{\omega^2(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i \left(k \frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2R(z)} \right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \end{aligned}$$

where H_0, H_1 are Hermite Polynomials.

Under a counterclockwise rotation, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= \cos \theta x + \sin \theta y \\ y' &= -\sin \theta x + \cos \theta y \end{aligned}$$

$$HG_{\theta}(x, y) = HG_{10}(x', y') = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{x'}{\omega^2(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{x'^2+y'^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i \left(k \frac{(x'^2+y'^2)}{2R(z)} \right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)}$$

$$x'^2 + y'^2 = (x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta)^2 + (-x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= x^2 \cos^2 \theta + y^2 \sin^2 \theta + 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta xy + x^2 \sin^2 \theta + y^2 \cos^2 \theta - 2 \cos \theta \sin \theta xy \\
&= x^2 + y^2
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$x'^2 + y'^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
HG_\theta(x, y) &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi} \omega^2(z)} (\cos \theta x + \sin \theta y) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i\left(k \frac{x^2+y^2}{2R(z)}\right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \\
&= \cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \sin \theta HG_{01}(x, y)
\end{aligned}$$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\int HG_\theta^*(x, y) HG_\theta(x, y) dx dy &= \int \left(\cos^2 \theta HG_{10}(x, y)^2 + \sin^2 \theta HG_{01}(x, y)^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) HG_{01}(x, y) \right) dx dy
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int HG_{01}(x, y) HG_{10}(x, y) dx dy \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi \omega^2(z)} \left[\int \left(H_0 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{\omega(z)} \right) \right)^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{\omega^2(z)}} dx \int \left(H_1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}y}{\omega(z)} \right) \right)^2 e^{-\frac{y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} dy \right] \\
&\quad \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{\omega(z)} \rightarrow x \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\sqrt{2}y}{\omega(z)} \rightarrow y \\
&\quad dx \rightarrow \frac{\omega(z)}{\sqrt{2}} dx \quad \text{and} \quad dy \rightarrow \frac{\omega(z)}{\sqrt{2}} dy \\
&\int (HG_{10}(x, y))^2 dx dy = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int H_0(x) H_0(x) e^{-x^2} dx \int H_1(y) H_1(y) e^{-y^2} dy
\end{aligned}$$

Hermite polynomials have the property:

$$\int H_n(x) H_m(x) e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi} 2^n n! \delta_{nm}$$

Using this, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int (H_0(x))^2 e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi} \\
&\int (H_1(x))^2 e^{-x^2} dx = \sqrt{\pi} 2
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\int (HG_{10}(x, y))^2 dx dy = 1$$

Similarly:

$$\int (HG_{01}(x, y))^2 dx dy = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int HG_{01}(x, y) HG_{10}(x, y) dx dy &= \frac{1}{\pi \omega^2(z)} \left[\int H_0 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{\omega(z)} \right) H_1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}x}{\omega(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{x^2}{\omega^2(z)}} dx \right] \\
&\quad \times \left[\int H_1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}y}{\omega(z)} \right) H_0 \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}y}{\omega(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} dy \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int H_0(x) H_1(x) e^{-x^2} dx \int H_1(y) H_0(y) e^{-y^2} dy \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Thus:

$$\int HG_{\theta}^*(x, y) HG_{\theta}(x, y) dx dy = \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int HG_{\theta}^*(x, y) HG_{\theta+\pi/2}(x, y) dx dy \\
&= \int (\cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \sin \theta HG_{01}(x, y)) (-\sin \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \cos \theta HG_{01}(x, y)) dx dy \\
&= \int \left[-\cos \theta \sin \theta HG_{10}(x, y)^2 + \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta HG_{01}(x, y)^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta) HG_{01}(x, y) HG_{10}(x, y) \right] dx dy
\end{aligned}$$

Using previous results:

$$\int HG_{\theta}^*(x, y) HG_{\theta+\pi/2}(x, y) dx dy = -\cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
LG_{0,\pm 1}(r, \varphi) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \omega(z)} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}(x^2 + y^2)}{\omega(z)} \right) L_0 \left(\frac{2(x^2 + y^2)}{\omega^2(z)} \right) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i\left(k\frac{x^2+y^2}{2R(z)}\right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} e^{\pm i\ell\varphi} \\
&= \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{\pi} \omega(z)} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i\left(k\frac{x^2+y^2}{2R(z)}\right)} e^{-i\phi_0(z)} e^{i\ell\varphi}
\end{aligned}$$

with $x = r \cos \varphi$ and $y = r \sin \varphi$, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} \omega(z)^2} (r \cos \varphi + ir \sin \varphi) e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i\left(k\frac{x^2+y^2}{2R(z)}\right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi} \omega(z)^2} x e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i\left(k\frac{x^2+y^2}{2R(z)}\right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi} \omega(z)^2} iy e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{\omega^2(z)}} e^{i\left(k\frac{x^2+y^2}{2R(z)}\right)} e^{-i\phi_N(z)} \right] \\
&= \frac{HG_{10} + i HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}}
\end{aligned}$$

(2) [Exercise]:

$$\sum_{n,m=-\infty}^{\infty} u_{n,m}(x, y) u_{n,m}^*(x', y') = \sum_{n,m} \langle x, y | u_{n,m} \rangle \langle u_{n,m} | x', y' \rangle = \langle x, y | \left(\sum_{n,m} |u_{n,m}\rangle \langle u_{n,m}| \right) | x', y' \rangle$$

Since $u_{n,m}$ is a basis set, it is complete. Hence:

$$\sum_{n,m} |u_{n,m}\rangle \langle u_{n,m}| = I$$

Thus, we get:

$$\sum_{n,m=-\infty}^{\infty} u_{n,m}(x, y) u_{n,m}^*(x', y') = \langle x, y | x', y' \rangle$$

$\{x, y\}$ also form a complete orthogonal basis in \mathbb{R}^2 . Thus:

$$\langle x, y | x', y' \rangle = \delta(x - x') \delta(y - y')$$

Hence:

$$\sum_{n,m} u_{n,m}(x, y) u_{n,m}^*(x', y') = \delta(x - x') \delta(y - y')$$

(3)[Challenge]

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_\theta(x, y) &= HG_\theta(x, y) \hat{e}_\theta + HG_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta}(x, y) \hat{e}_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta} \\ &= HG_\theta(x, y) (\cos \theta \hat{e}_H + \sin \theta \hat{e}_V) + HG_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta}(x, y) (-\sin \theta \hat{e}_H + \cos \theta \hat{e}_V) \\ &= (\cos \theta HG_\theta(x, y) - \sin \theta HG_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta}(x, y)) \hat{e}_H + (\sin \theta HG_\theta(x, y) + \cos \theta HG_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta}(x, y)) \hat{e}_V \\ &= [\cos \theta (\cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \sin \theta HG_{01}(x, y)) - \sin \theta (-\sin \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \cos \theta HG_{01}(x, y))] \hat{e}_H \\ &\quad + [\sin \theta (\cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \sin \theta HG_{01}(x, y)) + \cos \theta (-\sin \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \cos \theta HG_{01}(x, y))] \hat{e}_V \\ &= HG_{10}(x, y) \hat{e}_H + HG_{01}(x, y) \hat{e}_V \end{aligned}$$

Hence, it remains invariant under rotation.

Similarly:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_\theta(x, y) &= HG_\theta(x, y) \hat{e}_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta} - HG_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta}(x, y) \hat{e}_\theta \\ &= (\cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \sin \theta HG_{01}(x, y)) (-\sin \theta \hat{e}_H + \cos \theta \hat{e}_V) \\ &\quad - (-\sin \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \cos \theta HG_{01}(x, y)) (\cos \theta \hat{e}_H + \sin \theta \hat{e}_V) \\ &= \hat{e}_H [-\sin \theta \cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) - \sin^2 \theta HG_{01}(x, y) + \sin \theta \cos \theta HG_{10}(x, y) - \cos^2 \theta HG_{01}(x, y)] \\ &\quad + \hat{e}_V [\cos^2 \theta HG_{10}(x, y) + \cos \theta \sin \theta HG_{01}(x, y) + \sin^2 \theta HG_{10}(x, y) - \sin \theta \cos \theta HG_{01}(x, y)] \\ &= -(HG_{01}(x, y) \hat{e}_H - HG_{10}(x, y) \hat{e}_V) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, this is also rotationally invariant up to a global phase.

(b) We have from (a):

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x, y) &= HG_\theta(x, y) \hat{e}_\theta + HG_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta}(x, y) \hat{e}_{\frac{\pi}{2}+\theta} \\ &= HG_{10}(x, y) \hat{e}_H + HG_{01}(x, y) \hat{e}_V \\ I_H &= \int |\hat{e}_H^* \cdot \Psi(x, y)|^2 dx dy = \int |HG_{10}|^2 dx dy = \int HG_{10}^2 dx dy = 1 \\ I_V &= \int |\hat{e}_V^* \cdot \Psi(x, y)|^2 dx dy = \int |HG_{01}|^2 dx dy = \int HG_{01}^2 dx dy = 1 \\ \hat{e}_H &= \frac{\hat{e}_0 + \hat{e}_A}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \hat{e}_V = \frac{\hat{e}_0 - \hat{e}_A}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \Psi_\theta(x, y) &= \frac{(HG_{10} + HG_{01})}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{e}_0 + \frac{(HG_{10} - HG_{01})}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{e}_A \\ I_D &= \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} + HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = \frac{1}{2} \int (HG_{10}^2 + HG_{01}^2 + 2 HG_{10} HG_{01}) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [1 + 1 + 0] = 1$$

$$I_A = \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} - HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = \frac{1}{2} \int (HG_{10}^2 + HG_{01}^2 - 2 HG_{10} HG_{01}) dx dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [1 + 1 - 0] = 1$$

$$\hat{e}_H = \frac{\hat{e}_L + i\hat{e}_R}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \hat{e}_V = \frac{\hat{e}_L - i\hat{e}_R}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Psi_\theta(x, y) = \frac{(HG_{10} + i HG_{01})}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{e}_L + \frac{(HG_{10} - i HG_{01})}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{e}_R$$

$$I_L = \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} + i HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = \frac{1}{2} \int (HG_{10}^2 + HG_{01}^2) dx dy = 1$$

$$I_R = \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} - i HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = \frac{1}{2} \int (HG_{10}^2 + HG_{01}^2) dx dy = 1$$

The polarisation Stokes parameters are thus

$$S_1 = \frac{I_H - I_V}{I_{Tot}} = 0, \quad S_2 = \frac{I_D - I_A}{I_{Tot}} = 0, \quad S_3 = \frac{I_L - I_R}{I_{Tot}} = 0$$

all zero.

The large detectors are required so the whole beam of light can be covered. Thus, integration over the whole space can be done to use Hermite-Gauss polynomial's orthogonality properties.

Similarly for:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_\theta(x, y) &= HG_\theta(x, y) \hat{e}_{\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta} - HG_{\frac{\pi}{2} + \theta}(x, y) \hat{e}_\theta \\ &= -HG_{01} \hat{e}_H + HG_{10} \hat{e}_V \end{aligned}$$

Similarly to previous cases:

$$I_H = \int HG_{10}^2 dx dy = 1, \quad I_V = \int HG_{01}^2 dx dy = 1$$

$$I_D = \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} + HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = 1, \quad I_A = \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} - HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = 1$$

$$I_L = \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} - i HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = 1, \quad I_R = \int \left| \frac{HG_{10} + i HG_{01}}{\sqrt{2}} \right|^2 dx dy = 1$$

Thus again we have the polarisation Stokes parameters

$$S_1 = \frac{I_H - I_V}{I_{Tot}} = 0, \quad S_2 = \frac{I_D - I_A}{I_{Tot}} = 0, \quad S_3 = \frac{I_L - I_R}{I_{Tot}} = 0$$

to be zero