

$$a) \quad \langle \hat{L}_z \rangle = \langle \Psi | \hat{L}_z | \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi | \hbar l | \Psi \rangle \\ = \hbar l \langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle$$

$$\boxed{\langle \hat{L}_z \rangle = \hbar l}$$

b) The raising and lowering operators
 $L_{\pm} = \hat{L}_x \pm i \hat{L}_y$

can be used to show this. Since $\hat{L}^2 |\Psi\rangle = l(l+1)\hbar^2 |\Psi\rangle$, we are on the top rung and

$$\hat{L}_+ |\Psi\rangle = 0$$

$$\text{so } \langle \Psi | \hat{L}_+ | \Psi \rangle$$

$$= \langle \Psi | \hat{L}_x | \Psi \rangle + i \langle \Psi | \hat{L}_y | \Psi \rangle$$

Now, since \hat{L}_x, \hat{L}_y are Hermitian, they must have real expectation values. This means that both terms in (1) must be zero independently, or

$$\boxed{\langle \hat{L}_x \rangle = \langle \hat{L}_y \rangle = 0}$$

$$c) \quad \langle \hat{L}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{L}_z^2 \rangle = \langle \hat{L}_x^2 \rangle + \langle \hat{L}_y^2 \rangle$$

$$\hbar^2 l(l+1) - \hbar^2 l^2 = 2 \langle \hat{L}_x^2 \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\langle \hat{L}_x^2 \rangle = \langle \hat{L}_y^2 \rangle = \frac{\hbar^2 l}{2}}$$

$$d) \sigma_{L_x}^2 = \langle \vec{L}_x^2 \rangle - \langle \vec{L}_x \rangle^2$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2 l}{2}$$

$$\sigma_{L_y}^2 = \frac{\hbar^2 l}{2} \quad \text{by same reasoning}$$

Generalized uncertainty princ.

$$\sigma_{L_x} \sigma_{L_y} \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle [L_x, L_y] \rangle|$$

$$\frac{\hbar^2 l}{2} \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle i\hbar L_z \rangle|$$

$$\frac{\hbar^2 l}{2} \geq \frac{1}{2} |i\hbar \hbar l|$$

$$\frac{\hbar^2 l}{2} \geq \frac{\hbar^2 l}{2}$$

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satisfies
gen. unc. princ.

$$[L_x, L_y] = i\hbar L_z$$