

QUANTUM PHYSICS 2016

~~Q1~~ (A)

(1) (a) $|\psi\rangle = \sum_n c_n |\phi_n\rangle$

$$\langle \phi_m | \psi \rangle = \sum_n c_n \langle \phi_m | \phi_n \rangle = \sum_n c_n \delta_{mn}$$

$$c_n = \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle$$

(b) $|\psi\rangle = \sum_a d_a |\chi_a\rangle$

$$d_a = \langle \chi_a | \psi \rangle$$

Using $|\psi\rangle = \sum_n \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle |\phi_n\rangle = \sum_n |\phi_n\rangle \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle$

$$d_a = \langle \chi_a | \psi \rangle = \sum_n \langle \chi_a | \phi_n \rangle \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle$$

$$d_a = \sum_n \delta_{an} c_n$$

(2) (a) $\sum_n |\langle n | \psi \rangle|^2 = 1$

(b) Show how the unitary nature of the similarity transform (i.e. $SS^\dagger = I$) can be found using the closure relation.

$$SS^\dagger$$

$$S = \sum_k \langle \chi_k | \phi_c \rangle \quad S^\dagger = \sum_k \langle \phi_c | \chi_k \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} SS^\dagger &= \sum_k \langle \chi_i | \phi_c \rangle \langle \phi_c | \chi_j \rangle \\ &= \langle \chi_i | \sum_k |\phi_c\rangle \langle \phi_c| \chi_j \rangle \\ &= \langle \chi_i | \chi_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow SS^\dagger = I$$

(c) $\phi = A\psi$
 $b = A^c$

$$|b\rangle = \sum_n b_n |n\rangle \quad \psi = \sum_n c_n |n\rangle$$

$$A_{kj} = \langle k | A | j \rangle$$

$$b_k = \sum_j A_{kj} c_j$$

When they ask to show \rightarrow cannot simply write

$$c_n = \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle$$

must show working!

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n c_n |\phi_n\rangle$$

scalar product with $|\phi_m\rangle$

$$\langle \phi_m | \psi \rangle = \sum_n c_n \langle \phi_m | \phi_n \rangle$$

$$\langle \phi_m | \psi \rangle = \sum_n c_n \delta_{mn}$$

$$\langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle = c_n$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_a d_a |\chi_a\rangle$$

$$d_a = \langle \chi_a | \psi \rangle$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle |\phi_n\rangle$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n |\phi_n\rangle \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle$$

since $d_a = \langle \chi_a | \psi \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \chi_a | \psi \rangle = \sum_n \langle \chi_a | \phi_n \rangle \langle \phi_n | \psi \rangle$

$$S = \sum_n \langle \chi_a | \phi_n \rangle$$

$$S^\dagger = \sum_n \langle \phi_n | \chi_b \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} SS^\dagger &= \sum_n \langle \chi_a | \phi_n \rangle \langle \phi_n | \chi_b \rangle \\ &= \langle \chi_a | \sum_n |\phi_n\rangle \langle \phi_n| \chi_b \rangle \\ &= \langle \chi_a | \chi_b \rangle \\ &= \delta_{ab} \quad \forall \\ SS^\dagger &= I \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{A} |\phi_n\rangle = a_n |\phi_n\rangle$$

quantities $A_{mn} = \langle \phi_m | \hat{A} | \phi_n \rangle$ are the matrix elements of operator \hat{A} in the basis $\{|\phi_n\rangle\}$.

(3) (a) $\hat{A}^\dagger = (\hat{A})^\dagger$

(b) $\hat{A}|\phi\rangle = a_n |\phi\rangle$

$\hat{A}^\dagger \langle\phi| = a_n^* \langle\phi|$

$\langle\phi|\hat{A}|\phi\rangle = a_n \langle\phi|\phi\rangle$

$\langle\phi|\hat{A}|\phi\rangle = \langle\hat{A}^\dagger\phi|\phi\rangle = \langle\phi|\hat{A}^\dagger|\phi\rangle^* = \langle\phi|\hat{A}|\phi\rangle^*$
 $= a_n^* \langle\phi|\phi\rangle$

$\hat{A}^\dagger|\phi\rangle = a_n^* |\phi\rangle$

$a_n \langle\phi|\phi\rangle = a_n^* \langle\phi|\phi\rangle$

$\therefore a_n$ is real.

(c) $A = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 \hat{x}^2$

\hat{p} and \hat{x} give real eigenvalues.

\therefore Eigenvalues of \hat{p}^2 and \hat{x}^2 must be real and > 0

\therefore Eigenvalue of A must be greater than 0.

(4) (a) If state ϕ_n is an eigenstate of both \hat{A} and \hat{B} [ie. $\hat{A}\phi_n = a_n \phi_n$ and $\hat{B}\phi_n = b_n \phi_n$], the observable A and B have simultaneous eigenfunctions, the two observables are compatible.

$[\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = 0$ "compatibility implies commuting operators"

(b) $(\Delta A)^2 = \langle (A - \langle A \rangle)^2 \rangle$

(c) $\Delta A \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] \rangle|$

If \hat{A}, \hat{B} commute, then the observable A and B can be measured exactly.

If \hat{A}, \hat{B} does not commute, then they ~~will be~~ cannot be measured exactly and the uncertainty associated with those observable ~~will~~ $\Delta A \Delta B$ ~~will have a~~ ^{can be a} value and above.

(5) (a) Particles with antisymmetric wavefunctions are called fermions

Fermions have spin, $S = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \dots$ (odd half integer values)

Particles with symmetric wavefunctions are called bosons.

Bosons have spin, $S = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ integral values.

$\phi(1, 2) = +\phi(2, 1) \Rightarrow$ Boson

$\phi(1, 2) = -\phi(2, 1) \Rightarrow$ Fermion

(b) \rightarrow A system of two electrons is in a quantum state

\rightarrow Both electrons are in the spin-up state. \rightarrow spin part is symmetric.

For fermions, the overall wavefunction must be antisymmetric.

Therefore, the spatial part of the wavefunction must be antisymmetric.

The spatial part of the wavefunction
can be in the form

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\phi_a(r_1) \phi_b(r_2) - \phi_a(r_2) \phi_b(r_1)]$$

At the same point $r_1 = r_2$

$$\Rightarrow 0.$$

Remember the overall wavefunction

$$\Psi^{S/A}(1,2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_a(1) \psi_b(2) \pm \psi_a(2) \psi_b(1)]$$

When $a=b$

overall wavefunction goes to 0.

(c) (a) $S_y = \frac{\hbar}{2} S_y = \frac{\hbar}{2} S_y$

$$|\alpha\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$|\beta\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S_y = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \alpha | \hat{S}_y | \alpha \rangle & \langle \alpha | \hat{S}_y | \beta \rangle \\ \langle \beta | \hat{S}_y | \alpha \rangle & \langle \beta | \hat{S}_y | \beta \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{S}_y$$

$$|\alpha\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

$$|\beta\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

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SECTION B [2016]

Wherever in the notes, it says prove, understand and memorise it. It might come as

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- (7) (a) - Hamiltonian, \hat{H} possesses a complete set of orthonormal eigenstates $\{\phi_n\}$, $\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2 \dots$
 $\langle \phi_n | \phi_m \rangle = \delta_{nm}$ and corresponding energies $E_0, E_1, E_2 \dots$ with the ground state energy $E_0 \leq E_1 \leq E_2$ and

$$\hat{H} |\phi_n\rangle = E_n |\phi_n\rangle$$

- Let $|\psi\rangle$ be the wavefunction, and expanding $|\psi\rangle$ in terms of the complete set $\{\phi_n\}$ as

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_n c_n |\phi_n\rangle$$

- Then the expectation value of the energy in the state $|\psi\rangle$ is

$$\langle E \rangle_\psi = \frac{\langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_n \sum_m c_m^* c_n \langle \phi_m | \hat{H} | \phi_n \rangle}{\sum_n \sum_m c_m^* c_n \langle \phi_m | \phi_n \rangle}$$

Since $\hat{H} |\phi_n\rangle = E_n |\phi_n\rangle$

$$= \frac{\sum_n |c_n|^2 E_n}{\sum_n |c_n|^2}$$

$$\langle E \rangle_\psi - E_0 = \frac{\sum_n |c_n|^2 E_n}{\sum_n |c_n|^2} - E_0 = \frac{\sum_n |c_n|^2 (E_n - E_0)}{\sum_n |c_n|^2}$$

$$\langle E \rangle_\psi - E_0 \geq 0$$

because every term on the RHS is positive.

$$\langle E \rangle_\psi \geq E_0$$

$$\frac{\langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle} \geq E_0$$

- (b) Guess an approximate ground-state wavefunction, called the "trial wave-function". It can be used to calculate the expectation value of the Hamiltonian. To improve the estimate of the ground state energy, the trial wave-function contains variable parameter. The expectation value of the Hamiltonian is minimized wrt these parameters, and the minimum energy provides the best estimate of the true ground-state energy, within the given parameterized 'family' of wavefunctions.

$$\int |\psi(x)|^2 dx = 1$$

$$H = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2$$

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

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$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} A(c^2 - x^2), & |x| \leq c \\ 0, & |x| > c \end{cases}$$

$$(I) \int_{-c}^c A^2 (c^2 - x^2) (c^2 - x^2) dx = 1$$

$$A^2 \int_{-c}^c (c^4 - 2x^2c^2 + x^4) dx = 1$$

$$A^2 \left[\frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{2x^3c^2}{3} + c^4x \right]_{-c}^c = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{c^5}{5} - \frac{2c^5}{3} + c^5 \right) - \left(-\frac{c^5}{5} + \frac{2c^5}{3} - c^5 \right) = 1$$

$$A^2 \left(\frac{16}{15} c^5 \right) = 1$$

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{15}{16c^5}}$$

$$\psi = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{15}{16c^5}} (c^2 - x^2), & |x| \leq c \\ 0, & |x| > c \end{cases}$$

$$(II) \text{ Show } \rightarrow E(c) = \frac{5}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{mc^2} + \frac{m\omega^2 c^2}{14}$$

$$E(c) = \langle \psi | \hat{H} | \psi \rangle$$

$$= \langle \psi | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 | \psi \rangle$$

$$= \frac{15}{16c^5} \int_{-c}^c \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (c^2 - x^2)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 (c^2 - x^2)^2 \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{15}{16c^5} \int_{-c}^c (c^2 - x^2) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 x^2 \right) (c^2 - x^2) dx$$

$$= \frac{15}{16c^5} \int_{-c}^c (c^2 - x^2) \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{m} + \frac{m\omega^2 x^2 c^2}{2} - \frac{m\omega^2 x^4}{2} \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{15}{16c^5} \int_{-c}^c \left(\frac{c^3 \hbar^2}{m} + \frac{m\omega^2 x^2 c^4}{2} - \frac{m\omega^2 x^4 c^2}{2} - \frac{x^3 \hbar^2}{m} - \frac{m\omega^2 x^4 c^2}{2} + \frac{m\omega^2 x^6}{2} \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{15}{16c^5} \left[\frac{c^3 \hbar^2 x}{m} + \frac{m\omega^2 x^3 c^4}{6} - \frac{m\omega^2 x^5 c^2}{10} - \frac{x^4 \hbar^2}{4m} - \frac{m\omega^2 x^5 c^2}{10} + \frac{m\omega^2 x^7}{14} \right]_{-c}^c$$

$$= \frac{15}{16c^5} \left[\frac{c^3 \hbar^2}{m} + \frac{c^7 m \omega^2}{6} - \frac{c^7 m \omega^2}{10} - \frac{c^3 \hbar^2}{4m} - \frac{m\omega^2 c^7}{10} + \frac{m\omega^2 c^7}{14} \right]$$

$$E_0 = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega$$

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$$= \frac{15}{16C^5} \left\{ \left(\frac{2}{3} \frac{C^3 \hbar^2}{m} + \frac{4}{105} C^7 m \omega^2 \right) - \left(-\frac{2}{3} \frac{C^3 \hbar^2}{m} - \frac{4}{105} m \omega^2 \right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{15}{16C^5} \left\{ \frac{4}{3} \frac{C^3 \hbar^2}{m} + \frac{8}{105} C^7 m \omega^2 \right\}$$

$$E(c) = \frac{5}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{m c^2} + \frac{m \omega^2}{14} c^2$$

(III) ~~lowest energy: $E_0 = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega$~~

$$E(c) = \frac{5}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{m c^2} + \frac{m \omega^2}{14} c^2$$

$$\frac{dE}{dc} = -\frac{10}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{m c^3} + \frac{2}{14} m \omega^2 c = 0$$

$$\frac{5}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{m} c^{-2}$$

$$- 2 \left(\frac{5}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{m} c^{-3} \right)$$

$$c \left(-\frac{10}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{m c^4} + \frac{1}{7} m \omega^2 \right) = 0$$

$$c = 0 \quad \frac{1}{7} m \omega^2 = \frac{5}{2} \frac{\hbar^2}{m c^4}$$

$$\frac{35}{2} \frac{m^2 \omega^2}{\hbar^2} = \frac{1}{c^4}$$

$$\frac{35 \hbar^2}{2 m^2 \omega^2} = c^4$$

$$c = \left(\frac{35}{2} \right)^{1/4} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m \omega} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$E(c) = \frac{5}{4} \frac{\hbar^2}{m \left(\left(\frac{35}{2} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m \omega} \right) \right)^2} + \frac{m \omega^2}{14} \left[\left(\left(\frac{35}{2} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m \omega} \right) \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{5}{4} \left(\frac{2}{35} \right)^{1/2} \hbar \omega + \frac{1}{14} \left(\frac{35}{2} \right)^{1/2} \hbar \omega$$

$$= 0.976 \hbar \omega$$

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

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(d) $\psi'(x) = (d^4 - x^4)$

$$E(d) = \frac{45}{28} \frac{\hbar^2}{m d^2} + \frac{15}{154} m \omega^2 d^2$$

$$\frac{dE}{dd} = -2 \left(\frac{45}{28} \right) \frac{\hbar^2}{m d^3} + \frac{30}{154} m \omega^2 d = 0$$

$$d \left(-\frac{90}{28} \frac{\hbar^2}{m d^4} + \frac{30}{154} m \omega^2 \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{30}{154} m \omega^2 = \frac{90}{28} \frac{\hbar^2}{m d^4}$$

$$d^4 = \frac{90 \hbar^2 (154)}{28 m (30 m \omega^2)}$$

$$d^4 = \frac{13860 \hbar^2}{840 m^2 \omega^2}$$

$$d = \left(\frac{33}{2} \right)^{1/4} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m \omega} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$E(d) = \frac{45}{28} \frac{\hbar^2}{m \left(\left(\frac{33}{2} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m \omega} \right) \right)} + \frac{15}{154} m \omega^2 \left(\frac{33}{2} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\hbar}{m \omega} \right)$$

$$= \frac{45}{28} \left(\frac{2}{33} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\hbar \omega}{\omega} + \frac{15}{154} \left(\frac{33}{2} \right)^{1/2} \hbar \omega$$

$$= 0.791 \dots \hbar \omega$$

(e) Actual ground state energy $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \hbar \omega$

$A e^{-\alpha^2 x^2/2}$ gives a better estimate because the actual ground state eigenfunction is $A e^{-\alpha^2 x^2/2}$ $\alpha = \left(\frac{m \omega}{\hbar} \right)^{1/2}$



$$\text{Expanding this: } A \left(1 + \left(-\frac{m \omega}{2 \hbar} x^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2!} \left(-\frac{m \omega}{2 \hbar} x^2 \right)^2 + \dots \right)$$

$$A \left(1 - \frac{m \omega}{2 \hbar} x^2 + \frac{m^2 \omega^2 x^4}{8 \hbar^2} + \dots \right)$$

$A e^{-\alpha^2 x^2/2}$ get first two terms correct. Therefore, it gives a ~~better~~ accurate energy.

$$a_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m\hbar\omega}} (m\omega\hat{x} \mp i\hat{p}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\alpha\hat{x} \mp i\frac{\hat{p}}{\hbar\alpha} \right)$$

$$\alpha = \left(\frac{m\omega}{\hbar} \right)^{1/2}$$

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(8) (a) $\hat{H} = \left(\hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- + \frac{1}{2} \right) \hbar\omega$

- do $\hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_-$

- The you will get it ✓

(b) Show $[\hat{a}_-, \hat{a}_+] = 1$

$$\hat{a}_- \hat{a}_+ - \hat{a}_+ \hat{a}_- = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\alpha\hat{x} + i\frac{\hat{p}}{\hbar\alpha} \right) \left(\alpha\hat{x} - i\frac{\hat{p}}{\hbar\alpha} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\alpha\hat{x} - i\frac{\hat{p}}{\hbar\alpha} \right) \left(\alpha\hat{x} + i\frac{\hat{p}}{\hbar\alpha} \right) \text{ ML}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\alpha^2 \hat{x}^2 - \cancel{\alpha i \hat{x} \hat{p}} + \frac{i \hat{p} \hat{x}}{\hbar} + \frac{\hat{p}^2}{\hbar^2 \alpha^2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\alpha^2 \hat{x}^2 + \frac{i \hat{x} \hat{p}}{\hbar} - \frac{i \hat{p} \hat{x}}{\hbar} + \frac{\hat{p}^2}{\hbar^2 \alpha^2} \right)$$

$$\left(-\frac{i \hat{x} \hat{p}}{2\hbar} - \frac{i \hat{x} \hat{p}}{2\hbar} \right) + \left(\frac{i \hat{p} \hat{x}}{2\hbar} + \frac{i \hat{p} \hat{x}}{2\hbar} \right)$$

$$-\frac{i \hat{x} \hat{p}}{\hbar} + \frac{i \hat{p} \hat{x}}{\hbar}$$

$$\frac{i}{\hbar} (\hat{p} \hat{x} - \hat{x} \hat{p})$$

$$\frac{i}{\hbar} [\hat{p}, \hat{x}] = \frac{i}{\hbar} (-i\hbar) = 1$$

(9) $[\hat{H}, \hat{a}_{\pm}] = \pm \hbar\omega \hat{a}_{\pm}$

$$\hat{H} |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}_+ \hat{H} |n\rangle = E_n \hat{a}_+ |n\rangle$$

$$(\hat{H} \hat{a}_+ - \hbar\omega \hat{a}_+) |n\rangle = E_n \hat{a}_+ |n\rangle$$

$$\hat{H} \hat{a}_+ |n\rangle = (E_n + \hbar\omega) \hat{a}_+ |n\rangle$$

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{a}_+] = \hat{a}_+ \hbar\omega$$

$$\hat{H} \hat{a}_+ - \hat{a}_+ \hat{H} = \hbar\omega \hat{a}_+$$

$$\hat{H} \hat{a}_+ - \hbar\omega \hat{a}_+ = \hat{a}_+ \hat{H}$$

$$L = (L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2)^{1/2} \hbar \omega$$

$$\psi_{n_x, n_y, n_z}(x, y, z) = \psi_{n_x}(x) \psi_{n_y}(y) \psi_{n_z}(z)$$

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(d) 2D \rightarrow QHO.

$$\text{Hamiltonian: } \hat{H} = \frac{1}{2m} (\hat{p}_x^2 + \hat{p}_y^2) + \frac{1}{2} m \omega^2 (\hat{x}^2 + \hat{y}^2)$$

$$|\psi\rangle = |n_x\rangle |m_y\rangle$$

CHECK WHETHER
NEED TO DERIVE
EIGEN ENERGY
FORMULA OR NOT!

$$\hat{H} |\psi\rangle = E_{n_x, m_y} |\psi\rangle$$

$$\hat{H} |n_x\rangle |m_y\rangle = E_{n_x, m_y} |n_x\rangle |m_y\rangle$$

In 2D, general formula for eigenenergy is $E_{n_x, m_y} = (n_x + m_y + 1) \hbar \omega$

First 3 energy levels: $E_{0,0} = \hbar \omega$ corresponding eigenstates $\rightarrow |0\rangle |0\rangle$

$$E_{1,0} = E_{0,1} = 2\hbar \omega \rightarrow |1\rangle |0\rangle \text{ \& } |0\rangle |1\rangle$$

$$E_{0,2} = E_{2,0} = E_{1,1} = 3\hbar \omega \rightarrow |0\rangle |2\rangle \text{ \& } |2\rangle |0\rangle \text{ \& } |1\rangle |1\rangle$$

(e) show $\hat{x}^2 \hat{y}^2 = \frac{1}{4\alpha^4} (\hat{a}_{x+}^2 + \hat{a}_{x-}^2 + 2\hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} + 1) (\hat{a}_{y+}^2 + \hat{a}_{y-}^2 + 2\hat{a}_{y+}\hat{a}_{y-} + 1)$

where $\hat{a}_{x\pm}$ is a raising/lowering operator for eigenstates $|n_x\rangle$

$\hat{a}_{y\pm}$ is a raising/lowering operator for eigenstates $|m_y\rangle$

$$\hat{a}_{x+} |n_x\rangle = \sqrt{n_x+1} |n_x+1\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}_{x-} |n_x\rangle = \sqrt{n_x} |n_x-1\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}_{y+} |m_y\rangle = \sqrt{m_y+1} |m_y+1\rangle$$

$$\hat{a}_{y-} |m_y\rangle = \sqrt{m_y} |m_y-1\rangle$$

$$\hat{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\alpha}} (\hat{a}_{x+} + \hat{a}_{x-})$$

$$\hat{x}^2 = \frac{1}{2\alpha^2} (\hat{a}_{x+} + \hat{a}_{x-})(\hat{a}_{x+} + \hat{a}_{x-})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\alpha^2} (\hat{a}_{x+}^2 + \hat{a}_{x-}^2 + \hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} + \hat{a}_{x-}\hat{a}_{x+})$$

$$\hat{x}^2 = \frac{1}{2\alpha^2} (\hat{a}_{x+}^2 + \hat{a}_{x-}^2 + 2\hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} + 1)$$

$$\hat{y}^2 = \frac{1}{2\alpha^2} (\hat{a}_{y+}^2 + \hat{a}_{y-}^2 + \hat{a}_{y+}\hat{a}_{y-} + \hat{a}_{y-}\hat{a}_{y+})$$

$$\hat{y}^2 = \frac{1}{2\alpha^2} (\hat{a}_{y+}^2 + \hat{a}_{y-}^2 + 2\hat{a}_{y+}\hat{a}_{y-} + 1)$$

$$\hat{x}^2 \hat{y}^2 = \text{---} \checkmark$$

$$\hat{x} = \left(\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}\right)^{1/2} (\hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\alpha} (\hat{a}_+ + \hat{a}_-)$$

$$[\hat{a}_{x-}, \hat{a}_{x+}] = 1$$

$$\hat{a}_{x-}\hat{a}_{x+} - \hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} = 1$$

(A) First order energy change: $\langle \psi^{(0)} | \hat{H}' | \psi^{(0)} \rangle$ $H' = \gamma \hat{x}^2 \hat{y}^2$
 formula



which may should be ASE!

For the first 3 eigenstates: $\langle n_x | \langle m_y | \gamma \hat{x}^2 \hat{y}^2 | n_x \rangle | m_y \rangle$

$$= \langle n_x | \langle m_y | \frac{\gamma}{4\alpha^4} (\hat{a}_{x+}^2 + \hat{a}_{x-}^2 + 2\hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} + 1) (\hat{a}_{y+}^2 + \hat{a}_{y-}^2 + 2\hat{a}_{y+}\hat{a}_{y-} + 1) | n_x \rangle | m_y \rangle$$

$$= \frac{\gamma}{4\alpha^4} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &(\langle n_x | \hat{a}_{x+}^2 | n_x \rangle + \langle n_x | \hat{a}_{x-}^2 | n_x \rangle + 2\langle n_x | \hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} | n_x \rangle + \langle n_x | n_x \rangle) \times \\ &(\langle m_y | \hat{a}_{y+}^2 | m_y \rangle + \langle m_y | \hat{a}_{y-}^2 | m_y \rangle + 2\langle m_y | \hat{a}_{y+}\hat{a}_{y-} | m_y \rangle + \langle m_y | m_y \rangle) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\hat{a}_{x+} | n_x \rangle = \sqrt{n_x+1} | n_x+1 \rangle$$

$$\hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} | n_x \rangle = \sqrt{n_x} \hat{a}_{x+} | n_x-1 \rangle$$

$$\hat{a}_{x+}^2 | n_x \rangle = \sqrt{n_x+1} \sqrt{n_x+2} | n_x+2 \rangle$$

$$\langle n_x | \hat{a}_{x+}\hat{a}_{x-} | n_x \rangle = \sqrt{n_x} \sqrt{n_x} \langle n_x | n_x \rangle$$

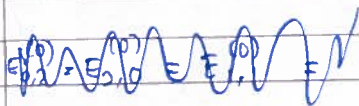
$$\langle n_x | \hat{a}_{x+}^2 | n_x \rangle = \sqrt{n_x+1} \sqrt{n_x+2} \delta_{n_x, n_x+2}$$

$$= n_x \langle n_x | n_x \rangle$$

$$E_{n_x, m_y}^{(0)} = \frac{\gamma}{4\alpha^4} \left\{ (2(n_x) + 1)(2(m_y) + 1) \right\}$$

$$E_{0,0}^{(0)} = \frac{\gamma}{4\alpha^4}$$

$$E_{0,1}^{(0)} = E_{1,0}^{(0)} = \frac{3\gamma}{4\alpha^4}$$



(g) $E_n^{(1)} = \langle n_x | \langle m_y | \hat{H}' | n_x \rangle | m_y \rangle$

EVEN. SO THAT INTEGRAL DOESN'T GO TO 0.

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$$\hat{J}^2, \hat{J}$$

$$[\hat{J}_x, \hat{J}_y] = i\hbar \hat{J}_z$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{J}_x \\ \hat{J}_y \\ \hat{J}_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[\hat{A}, \hat{B}\hat{C}] = [\hat{A}, \hat{B}]\hat{C} + \hat{B}[\hat{A}, \hat{C}]$$

$$[\hat{A}\hat{B}, \hat{C}] = \hat{A}[\hat{B}, \hat{C}] + [\hat{A}, \hat{C}]\hat{B}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad [\hat{J}^2, \hat{J}_x] &= [\hat{J}_x^2 + \hat{J}_y^2 + \hat{J}_z^2, \hat{J}_x] \\ &= [\hat{J}_x^2, \hat{J}_x] + [\hat{J}_y^2, \hat{J}_x] + [\hat{J}_z^2, \hat{J}_x] \\ &= \hat{J}_y [\hat{J}_y, \hat{J}_x] + [\hat{J}_y, \hat{J}_x] \hat{J}_y + \hat{J}_z [\hat{J}_z, \hat{J}_x] + [\hat{J}_z, \hat{J}_x] \hat{J}_z \\ &= -i\hbar \hat{J}_y \hat{J}_z - i\hbar \hat{J}_z \hat{J}_y + i\hbar \hat{J}_z \hat{J}_y + i\hbar \hat{J}_y \hat{J}_z \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad \hat{J}^2 |j, m_j\rangle = j(j+1)\hbar^2 |j, m_j\rangle \quad \hat{J}_z |j, m_j\rangle = m_j\hbar |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_+ = \hat{J}_x + i\hat{J}_y \quad \hat{J}_- = \hat{J}_x - i\hat{J}_y$$

Show that, provided that $-j \leq m_j \leq j-1$, the state $\hat{J}_+ |j, m_j\rangle$ is also an eigenvector of \hat{J}_z , with magnetic q.n equal to m_j+1 .

$$\hat{J}_z |j, m_j\rangle = m_j\hbar |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_z |j, m_j\rangle = m_j\hbar \hat{J}_+ |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$(\hat{J}_z \hat{J}_+ - \hbar \hat{J}_+) |j, m_j\rangle = m_j\hbar \hat{J}_+ |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_z \hat{J}_+ |j, m_j\rangle = (m_j+1)\hbar \hat{J}_+ |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$[\hat{J}_z, \hat{J}_\pm] = \pm \hbar \hat{J}_\pm$$

$$[\hat{J}_z, \hat{J}_+] = \hbar \hat{J}_+$$

$$\hat{J}_z \hat{J}_+ - \hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_z = \hbar \hat{J}_+$$

$$\hat{J}_z \hat{J}_+ - \hbar \hat{J}_+ = \hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_z$$

But also $\hat{J}_z |j, m+1\rangle = (m+1)\hbar |j, m+1\rangle$

$\therefore \hat{J}_+ |j, m_j\rangle$ must be a multiple of $|j, m+1\rangle$

$$\hat{J}_+ |j, m\rangle = [j(j+1) - m(m+1)]^{1/2} \hbar |j, m+1\rangle$$

When $m_j = j$, $\hat{J}_+ |j, j\rangle = 0$

INCOMPLETE!!

$$(c) \quad \hat{J}_{\pm} |j, m_j\rangle = [j(j+1) - m_j(m_j \pm 1)]^{1/2} \hbar |j, m_j \pm 1\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_+ |j, m_j\rangle = [j(j+1) - m_j(m_j+1)]^{1/2} \hbar |j, m_j+1\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_- |j, m_j\rangle = [j(j+1) - m_j(m_j-1)]^{1/2} \hbar |j, m_j-1\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_- |j, m_j\rangle = [j(j+1) - m_j(m_j-1)]^{1/2} \hbar \hat{J}_+ |j, m_j-1\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_- |j, m_j\rangle = [j(j+1) - m_j(m_j-1)]^{1/2} \hbar [j(j+1) - (m_j-1)m_j]^{1/2} \hbar |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_- |j, m_j\rangle = [j(j+1) - m_j(m_j-1)] \hbar^2 |j, m_j\rangle$$

Condition: $m_j = j$ again?

$$(d) \quad \text{Show } \hat{J}_+ \hat{J}_- = \hat{J}^2 - \hat{J}_z^2 + \hbar \hat{J}_z.$$

$$(\hat{J}_x + i\hat{J}_y)(\hat{J}_x - i\hat{J}_y)$$

$$\hat{J}_x^2 - i\hat{J}_x\hat{J}_y + i\hat{J}_y\hat{J}_x + \hat{J}_y^2$$

$$\hat{J}^2 = \hat{J}_x^2 + \hat{J}_y^2 + \hat{J}_z^2$$

$$(\hat{J}^2 - \hat{J}_z^2) \hbar - i(\hat{J}_x\hat{J}_y - \hat{J}_y\hat{J}_x)$$

$$[\hat{J}_x, \hat{J}_y] = i\hbar \hat{J}_z.$$

$$\hat{J}^2 - \hat{J}_z^2 + \hbar \hat{J}_z.$$

Relate to the previous part:

$$\hat{J}^2 |j, m_j\rangle = j(j+1) \hbar^2 |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$\hbar \hat{J}_z |j, m_j\rangle = m_j \hbar^2 |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_z^2 |j, m_j\rangle = m_j^2 \hbar^2 |j, m_j\rangle$$

$$j(j+1)\hbar^2 - m_j^2\hbar^2 + m_j\hbar^2$$

$$[j(j+1) - m_j(m_j+1)]\hbar^2$$

$$(e) \quad \hat{J} = \hat{L} + \hat{S}$$

$$\hat{J}^2 = (\hat{L} + \hat{S})^2$$

$$= (\hat{L} + \hat{S}) \cdot (\hat{L} + \hat{S})$$

$$\hat{J}^2 = \hat{L}^2 + 2\hat{L} \cdot \hat{S} + \hat{S}^2$$

$$\hat{L} \cdot \hat{S} = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{J}^2 - \hat{L}^2 - \hat{S}^2)$$

INCOMPLETE!

$$l=1 \quad s=\frac{1}{2} \quad j=\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$$

$$(\hat{L}_z + \hat{S}_z)(\hat{L}_z + \hat{S}_z)$$

$$\hat{L}_z^2 + 2\hat{L}_z \cdot \hat{S}_z + \hat{S}_z^2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (+) \quad \hat{H} &= \frac{E_1}{\hbar^2} (\hat{L} + \hat{S}) \cdot \hat{S} + \frac{E_2}{\hbar^2} (\hat{L}_z + \hat{S}_z)^2 \\ &= \frac{E_1}{\hbar^2} (\hat{L} \cdot \hat{S} + \hat{S}^2) + \frac{E_2}{\hbar^2} (\hat{L}_z + \hat{S}_z)^2 \\ &= \frac{E_1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\hat{J}^2 - \hat{L}^2 - \hat{S}^2) + \hat{S}^2 \right) + \frac{E_2}{\hbar^2} (\hat{L}_z + \hat{S}_z)^2 \\ &= \frac{E_1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{\hat{J}^2}{2} + \frac{\hat{S}^2}{2} - \frac{\hat{L}^2}{2} \right) + \frac{E_2}{\hbar^2} (\hat{L}_z + \hat{S}_z)^2 \\ &= \frac{E_1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{j(j+1)\hbar^2}{2} + \frac{s(s+1)\hbar^2}{2} - \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2} \right) + \frac{E_2}{\hbar^2} (m_j^2 \hbar^2) \end{aligned}$$

← NEED TO EXPAND
OR NOT? ASK!

OR $\hat{L}_z + \hat{S}_z = \hat{J}_z$

$$E = E_1 \left(\frac{j(j+1)}{2} + \frac{s(s+1)}{2} - \frac{l(l+1)}{2} \right) + E_2 m_j^2$$

When $l=1, s=\frac{1}{2}, j=\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \frac{3}{2}$

For $j=\frac{1}{2}$: $E = -\frac{E_1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} E_2$

$m_j = \pm \frac{1}{2}$

~~When $l=1$~~

For $j=\frac{3}{2}$: $E = \frac{5}{4} E_1 + \frac{9}{4} E_2$

$m_j = \pm \frac{3}{2}, \pm \frac{1}{2}$ $\rightarrow E = \frac{5}{4} E_1 + \frac{1}{4} E_2$

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$$(10) \quad \hat{H}_0 |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$(a) \quad \hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \lambda \hat{H}'$$

λ : To keep track of the order of perturbation.

$$(\hat{H}_0 + \lambda \hat{H}') |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle$$

Since the \hat{H}' cause "small" changes to \hat{H}_0 , in perturbation theory, the solution is expanded as a power series in the perturbation. For the theory to be valid, the series must be convergent. For the theory to be useful, the series must be rapidly convergent such that only the first few terms are important.

Fig. (6) \rightarrow in $E_n^{(0)}$: ~~known~~ ^{known} energy change.
 $\psi_n^{(0)}$: ~~known~~ ^{known} eigenfunction.

$$E_n = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda^j E_n^{(j)} = E_n^{(0)} + \lambda E_n^{(1)} + \lambda^2 E_n^{(2)} + \dots$$

$$|\psi_n\rangle = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda^j |\psi_n^{(j)}\rangle = |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |\psi_n^{(1)}\rangle + \lambda^2 |\psi_n^{(2)}\rangle + \dots$$

(0) gives the order of change

λ^j gives the order of perturbation.

$|\psi_n^{(1)}\rangle$: first order eigenfunction

$|\psi_n^{(2)}\rangle$: second "

$E_n^{(1)}$: first order energy change

$E_n^{(2)}$: second order energy change.

$$(b) \quad (\hat{H}_0 + \lambda \hat{H}') (|\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |\psi_n^{(1)}\rangle + \lambda^2 |\psi_n^{(2)}\rangle + \dots) =$$

$$(E_n^{(0)} + \lambda E_n^{(1)} + \lambda^2 E_n^{(2)} + \dots) (|\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |\psi_n^{(1)}\rangle + \lambda^2 |\psi_n^{(2)}\rangle + \dots)$$

Equating the coefficients of equal powers of λ .

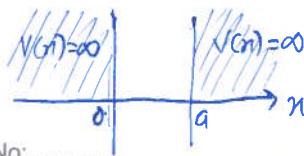
$$\lambda^0: \hat{H}_0 |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$\lambda^1: \hat{H}_0 |\psi_n^{(1)}\rangle + \hat{H}' |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |\psi_n^{(1)}\rangle + E_n^{(1)} |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$(\hat{H}_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |\psi_n^{(1)}\rangle = (E_n^{(1)} - \hat{H}') |\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle$$

Taking scalar product with $|\psi_n^{(0)}\rangle$

$$\rightarrow E_n^{(1)} = \langle \psi_n^{(0)} | \hat{H}' | \psi_n^{(0)} \rangle$$



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(c)

Eigenvalues $E_n = \frac{\hbar^2 k_n^2}{2m}$

$$k_n = \frac{n\pi}{a}$$

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Eigenvectors $\psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin(k_n x)$

OF THE NOTES
AGAIN!

Two electrons in the same square well, with opposite spins, in singlet state.

→ Overall wavefunction must be antisymmetric.

Singlet state is antisymmetric.

∴ Spatial wavefunction must be symmetric on exchange of 2 particles.

$$\psi_n(x) = \frac{2}{a} \sin(k_{n1} x_1) \sin(k_{n2} x_2) \quad \text{symmetric.}$$

$$E = \langle \psi_n | \hat{H}_1 + \hat{H}_2 | \psi_n \rangle = E_1 + E_2 = \frac{\hbar^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2} (n_1^2 + n_2^2) \quad \boxed{=}$$

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