33-445 Formula Sheet

Operator Properties

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \langle \psi \mid \hat{A} \mid \psi \rangle \qquad \qquad \Delta \hat{A} = \sqrt{\langle \hat{A}^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{A} \rangle^2} \qquad \qquad \hat{U} \hat{U}^\dagger = 1 \qquad \qquad [\hat{A}, \hat{B}] = \hat{A} \hat{B} - \hat{B} \hat{A} \qquad \qquad \Delta \hat{A} \Delta \hat{B} \geq \langle \frac{[\hat{A}, \hat{B}]}{2i} \rangle$$

All spins

 $\vec{n} = \sin\theta\cos\varphi \vec{i} + \sin\theta\sin\varphi \vec{j} + \cos\theta \vec{k}$

$$z:\theta=0 \qquad x:\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}, \varphi=0 \qquad y:\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}, \varphi=\frac{\pi}{2} \qquad [\hat{S}_x,\hat{S}_y]=i\hbar \hat{S}_z \qquad [\hat{S}_y,\hat{S}_z]=i\hbar \hat{S}_x \qquad [\hat{S}_z,\hat{S}_x]=i\hbar \hat{S}_y$$

Spin $\frac{1}{2}$ (electrons)

$$|+n\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \\ \sin\frac{\theta}{2}e^{i\varphi} \end{pmatrix} \qquad |-n\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \\ -\cos\frac{\theta}{2}e^{-i\varphi} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \hat{S}_n = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta e^{-i\varphi} \\ \sin\theta e^{i\varphi} & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Spin 1 (Photons)

$$|X'\rangle = \cos\varphi \mid X\rangle + \sin\varphi \mid Y\rangle \qquad |R\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|X\rangle + i \mid Y\rangle) \qquad \hat{R}\varphi\vec{k} \mid R\rangle = e^{i\varphi} \mid R\rangle \qquad \hat{J}_z \mid R\rangle = \hbar \mid R\rangle$$

$$|Y'\rangle = -\sin\varphi \mid X\rangle + \cos\varphi \mid Y\rangle \qquad |L\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|X\rangle - i \mid Y\rangle) \qquad \hat{R}\varphi\vec{k} \mid L\rangle = e^{i\varphi} \mid L\rangle \qquad \hat{J}_z \mid L\rangle = -\hbar \mid L\rangle$$

Spin 1 (General)

Hamiltonian