

Exercise 1)

$$R(\xi) = e^{-i\frac{\vec{J} \cdot \vec{\xi}}{\hbar}}$$

Let $|j m\rangle$ be a J^2, J_z eigenstate
and suppose we want to rotate
it into a superposition of
 $|j m'\rangle$ eigenstates.

then

$$R(\xi) |j m\rangle = e^{-i\frac{\vec{J} \cdot \vec{\xi}}{\hbar}} |j m\rangle$$

$$R(\xi) |j m\rangle = \sum_{m'=-j}^j |j m'\rangle \langle j m' | e^{-i\frac{\vec{J} \cdot \vec{\xi}}{\hbar}} |j m\rangle$$

$$R(\xi) |j m\rangle = \sum_{m'=-j}^j d_{m'm}^j(\vec{\xi}) |j m'\rangle$$

Exercise 2)

We have a general rotation $R(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ about the three Euler angles α, β , then γ , which we can decompose into

$$R(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z/\hbar} e^{-i\beta \vec{J}_y/\hbar} e^{-i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar}$$

Where the ' coordinate system is given by rotation is given by rotating by α about \hat{z} ; and the " coordinate system is given by rotating \hat{z}' by β into \hat{x}' .

So in terms of the original coordinate system,

$$e^{-i\beta \vec{J}_y/\hbar} = R(\alpha) e^{-i\beta \vec{J}_y/\hbar} R^\dagger(\alpha)$$

$$e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} = e^{-i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar} e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} e^{i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar}$$

and

$$e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z/\hbar} = R'(\rho) R(\alpha) e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z/\hbar} R^\dagger(\alpha) R^{\dagger'}(\rho)$$

$$\text{but } R'(\rho) = R(\alpha) e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} R^\dagger(\alpha)$$

so

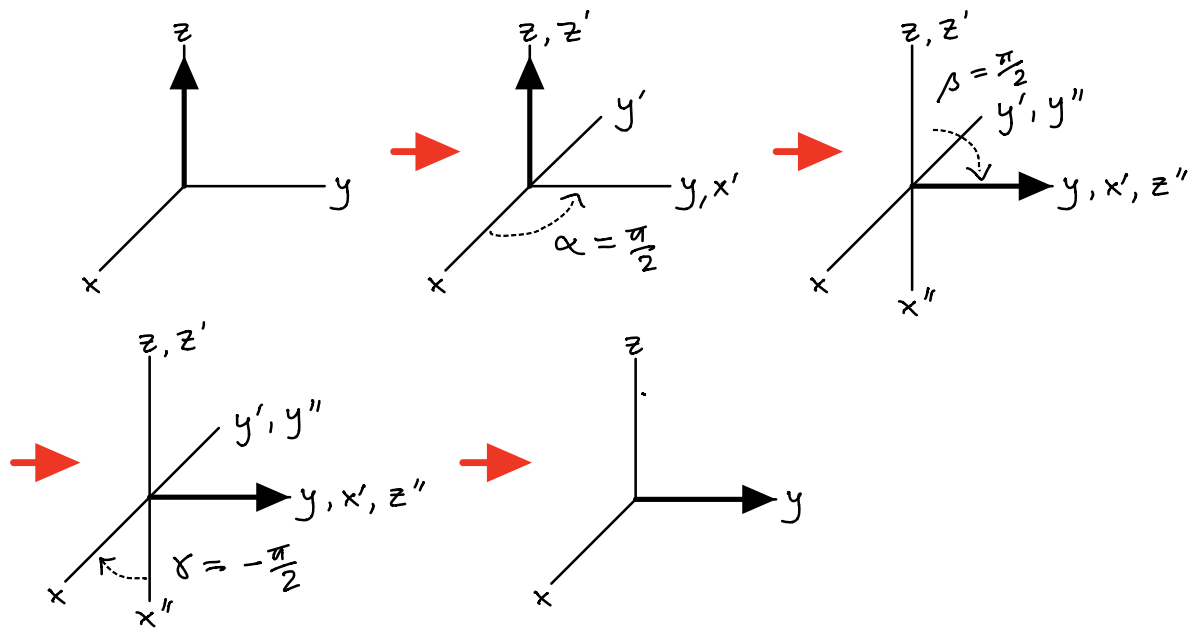
$$e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z'/\hbar} = R(\alpha) e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z/\hbar} e^{i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} R^\dagger(\alpha)$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} R(\alpha, \rho, \gamma) &= e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z'/\hbar} e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} e^{-i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar} \\ &= e^{-i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar} e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z/\hbar} \cancel{e^{i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar}} \cancel{e^{i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar}} \\ &\quad \cdot \cancel{e^{-i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar}} \cancel{e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar}} \cancel{e^{i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar}} \cancel{e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z/\hbar}} \end{aligned}$$

$$R(\alpha, \rho, \gamma) = e^{-i\alpha \vec{J}_z/\hbar} e^{-i\rho \vec{J}_y/\hbar} e^{-i\gamma \vec{J}_z/\hbar}$$

Exercise 3:



Exercise 4:

Consider a rotation of a state

with $j = \frac{3}{2}$ by $\alpha = 2\pi, \beta = 0, \gamma = 0$.

Then

$$d_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}}^{(\frac{3}{2})}(\alpha = 2\pi, \beta = 0, \gamma = 0) = e^{-i\frac{3}{2} \cdot 2\pi} = -1$$

So this rotation matrix cannot be the identity.

Exercise 5:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{A} &= \sum_q \hat{e}_q^* A_q \\&= \hat{e}_{-1}^* A_{-1} + \hat{e}_0^* A_0 + \hat{e}_1^* A_1 \\&= \frac{1}{2} (\hat{x} + i\hat{y})(A_x - iA_y) + A_z \hat{z} \\&\quad + \frac{1}{2} (\hat{x} - i\hat{y})(A_x + iA_y) \\&= \frac{1}{2} A_x \hat{x} + \frac{1}{2} A_y \hat{y} - \frac{i}{2} A_y \hat{x} + \frac{i}{2} A_x \hat{y} + A_z \hat{z} \\&\quad + \frac{1}{2} A_x \hat{x} + \frac{1}{2} A_y \hat{y} - \frac{i}{2} A_x \hat{y} + \frac{i}{2} A_y \hat{x} \\&= A_x \hat{x} + A_y \hat{y} + A_z \hat{z} \\&= \vec{A} \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 6:

$$\vec{A}^* = \sum_q \hat{e}_q^* A_q^*$$

$$\vec{B} = \sum_p \hat{e}_p^* B_p$$

$$\vec{A}^* \cdot \vec{B} = \sum_p \sum_q \hat{e}_q^* \cdot \hat{e}_p^* A_q^* B_p$$

$$\vec{A}^* \cdot \vec{B} = \sum_p \sum_q \delta_{qp} A_q^* B_p$$

$$\vec{A}^* \cdot \vec{B} = \sum_q A_q^* B_p$$