

Central Forces Homework 9

Due 6/6/18, 4 pm

Sensemaking: For every problem, before you start the problem, make a brief statement of the form that a correct solution should have, clearly indicating what quantities you need to solve for. This statement will be graded.

REQUIRED:

1. Show that the angular momentum operators L^2 and L_z commute with the central force Hamiltonian H , where

$$L^2 = -\hbar^2 \left[\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} \right]$$

$$L_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left[\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} \right] + V(r)$$

Show that $[H, L^2] = 0$

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$$= \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} \right] + V(r)$$

$$[H, L^2] = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} + V(r) \right] L^2$$

$$= L^2 \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} + V(r) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L^2 + \frac{L^4}{2\mu r^2} + V(r) L^2$$

$$+ \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L^2 \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{L^2 L^2}{2\mu r^2} - L^2 V(r)$$

Note that ① the third and seventh terms sum to zero.

② L^2 has angular dependence only

③ $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}$, $\frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$ and $V(r)$ only depend on r

Thus

The orders of L^2 with $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}$, $\frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$ and $V(r)$ are

interchangeable.

$$\Rightarrow [H, L^2] = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L^2 + V(r) L^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L^2 + V(r) L^2 = 0 \quad \square$$

show that $[H, L_z] = 0$

To show that $[H, L_z] = 0$, Let us show

$$[L^2, L_z] = 0$$

$$[L^2, L_z] = [L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2, L_z]$$
$$= [L_x^2, L_z] + [L_y^2, L_z] + [L_z^2, L_z]$$

$$= L_x [L_x, L_z] + [L_x, L_z] L_x + L_y [L_y, L_z] + [L_y, L_z] L_y$$

$$= L_x (-i\hbar) L_y + (-i\hbar) L_y L_x + L_y (i\hbar) L_x + (i\hbar) L_x L_y$$

$$= -i\hbar L_x L_y - i\hbar L_y L_x + i\hbar L_y L_x + i\hbar L_x L_y$$

$$= 0$$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} + V(r)$$

$$L_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

$$[H, L_z] = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}, L_z \right] + \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}, L_z \right] + \left[\frac{L^2}{2\mu r}, L_z \right]$$

Because L^2 only depends on θ and ϕ , and L_z only depends on ϕ ,
the last two terms are both equal to zero

Thus

$$[H, L_z] = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}, L_z \right] + \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}, L_z \right]$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L_z + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L_z \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L_z + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L_z \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} (-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2})$$

$$- \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} (-i\hbar) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$$

$$= \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} - \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}$$

$$+ \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} - \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$$

Because the orders of these partial derivatives are interchangeable, $[H, L_z] = 0$. \square

2. Write out the first 9 terms in the sum:

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} c_{\ell,m} Y_{\ell,m}$$

Describe the energy degeneracy of the rigid rotor system, i.e. give the number of eigenstates that all have the same energy.

Solution:

The form of our answer here should be a list of terms in the sum, each with a coefficient and a spherical harmonic. Specifically, we want the terms with the lowest values of ℓ :

$$\approx c_{0,0}Y_0^0 + c_{1,-1}Y_1^{-1} + c_{1,0}Y_1^0 + c_{1,1}Y_1^1 + c_{2,-2}Y_2^{-2} + c_{2,-1}Y_2^{-1} + c_{2,0}Y_2^0 + c_{2,1}Y_2^1 + c_{2,2}Y_2^2$$

Since m runs in integer steps from $-\ell$ to ℓ , the total number of states with the same value of ℓ is ℓ positive values, ℓ negative values, and one value corresponding to $m = 0$, which overall is $2\ell + 1$.

3. Consider the normalized function:

$$f(\theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} N \left(\frac{\pi^2}{4} - \theta^2 \right) & 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \pi \end{cases}$$

where

$$N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{\pi^5}{8} + 2\pi^3 - 24\pi^2 + 48\pi}}$$

- Find the $|\ell, m\rangle = |0, 0\rangle$, $|1, -1\rangle$, $|1, 0\rangle$, and $|1, 1\rangle$ terms in a spherical harmonics expansion of $f(\theta, \phi)$.
- If a quantum particle, confined to the surface of a sphere, is in the state above, what is the probability that a measurement of the square of the total angular momentum will yield $2\hbar^2$? $4\hbar^2$?
- If a quantum particle, confined to the surface of a sphere, is in the state above, what is the probability that the particle can be found in the region $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{6}$ and $0 < \phi < \frac{\pi}{6}$? Repeat the question for the region $\frac{5\pi}{6} < \theta < \pi$ and $0 < \phi < \frac{\pi}{6}$. Plot your approximation from part (a) above and check to see if your answers seem reasonable.

Solution:

See attached Mathematica worksheet Sphere.nb.

4. Make a table, similar to the one you made for a particle confined to a ring, showing the different representations of the physical quantities associated with the rigid rotor. Include information about the operators \hat{H} , \hat{L}_z , and \hat{L}^2 .

Particle on a Ring

	Ket Representation	Wave Function Representation	Matrix Representation
Hamiltonian	\hat{H}	$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \frac{d^2}{d\phi^2}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ \cdots & E_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & E_0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & 0 & E_{-1} & \cdots \\ \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ \cdots & \hbar^2/2I & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & 0 & \hbar^2/2I & \cdots \\ \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$
Eigenvalues of Hamiltonian	$E_m = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I} m^2$	$E_m = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I} m^2$	$E_m = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I} m^2$
Normalized Eigenstates of Hamiltonian	$ m\rangle$	$\Phi_m(\phi) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi r_0}} e^{im\phi}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \dots$
Coefficient of m^{th} energy eigenstate	$c_m = \langle m \Phi \rangle$	$c_m = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi r_0}} e^{-im\phi} \Phi(\phi) r_0 d\phi$	$\begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ c_m \\ \vdots \\ c_0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$ $(\cdots \ 1 \ \cdots \ 0 \ \cdots)$
Probability of measuring E_m	$P(E_m) = c_{+m} ^2 + c_{-m} ^2$ $= \langle +m \Phi \rangle ^2 + \langle -m \Phi \rangle ^2$	$P(E_m) = \left \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi r_0}} e^{-im\phi} \Phi(\phi) r_0 d\phi \right ^2$ $+ \left \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi r_0}} e^{im\phi} \Phi(\phi) r_0 d\phi \right ^2$	$P(E_m) = \left \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ c_m \\ \vdots \\ c_0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right ^2 + \left \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ c_0 \\ \vdots \\ c_{-m} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right ^2$ $= \left \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ c_m \\ \vdots \\ c_0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right ^2 + \left \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ c_0 \\ \vdots \\ c_{-m} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right ^2$
Expectation value of Hamiltonian	$\langle \Phi H \Phi \rangle = \sum_m c_m ^2 E_m$	$\langle \Phi H \Phi \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \Phi^*(\phi) \hat{H} \Phi(\phi) r_0 d\phi$	$\langle \Phi H \Phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ \cdots & E_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & E_0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & 0 & E_{-1} & \cdots \\ \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ c_1 \\ c_0 \\ c_{-1} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$

Rigid Rotor/Particle on a Sphere

	Ket Representation	Wave Function Representation	Matrix Representation
Hamiltonian	\hat{H}	$\hat{H} = \frac{1}{2I} \hat{L}^2 \doteq -\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \left(\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{d^2}{d\phi^2} \right)$	$H \doteq \begin{pmatrix} E_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & E_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & E_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & E_1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & E_2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 2\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 2\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$
Eigenvalues of Hamiltonian	$E_\ell = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \ell(\ell+1)$	$E_\ell = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \ell(\ell+1)$	$E_\ell = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \ell(\ell+1)$
Normalized Eigenstates of Hamiltonian	$ \ell m\rangle$	$Y_\ell^m(\theta, \phi) = (-1)^{(m+ m)/2} \sqrt{\frac{(2\ell+1)(\ell- m)!}{4\pi(\ell+ m)!}} P_\ell^m(\cos \theta) e^{im\phi}$	$ 00\rangle \doteq \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, 11\rangle \doteq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, 10\rangle \doteq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, 1,-1\rangle \doteq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \dots$
Coefficient of the energy eigenstate with quantum numbers ℓ, m	$c_{\ell m} = \langle \ell m \psi \rangle$	$c_{\ell m} = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi Y_\ell^{m*}(\theta, \phi) \psi(\theta, \phi) \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$	$c_{\ell m} = \begin{pmatrix} \dots & 1 & \dots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ c_{\ell m} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$
Probability of measuring $E_{\ell, m}$	$\mathcal{P}_{E_\ell} = \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \left \langle \ell m \psi \rangle \right ^2$ $= \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} c_{\ell m} ^2$	$\mathcal{P}_{E_\ell} = \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \left \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi Y_\ell^{m*}(\theta, \phi) \psi(\theta, \phi) \sin \theta d\theta d\phi \right ^2$	$\mathcal{P}_{E_\ell} = \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \left \begin{pmatrix} \dots & 1 & \dots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ c_{\ell m} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \right ^2$

5 (Challenge Problem) Let \mathbf{J} be an angular momentum with a set of three observables J_x , J_y , and J_z that satisfy:

$$[J_x, J_y] = i\hbar J_z$$

$$[J_y, J_z] = i\hbar J_x$$

$$[J_z, J_x] = i\hbar J_y$$

\mathbf{J}^2 , J_+ , and J_- are three operators that are defined as following:

$$\mathbf{J}^2 = J_x^2 + J_y^2 + J_z^2$$

$$J_+ = J_x + iJ_y$$

$$J_- = J_x - iJ_y$$

Show that the operators J_+ , J_- , J_z , and \mathbf{J}^2 satisfy the following commutation relations:

$$[\mathbf{J}^2, J_z] = [\mathbf{J}^2, J_+] = [\mathbf{J}^2, J_-] = 0$$

$$[J_z, J_+] = +\hbar J_+$$

$$[J_z, J_-] = -\hbar J_-$$

$$[J_+, J_-] = 2\hbar J_z$$

Show that $[H, L^2] = 0$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left[\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} \right] + V(r)$$

$$= \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} \right] + V(r)$$

$$[H, L^2] = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} + V(r) \right] L^2$$

$$= L^2 \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} + V(r) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L^2 + \frac{L^4}{2\mu r^2} + V(r) L^2$$

$$+ \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L^2 \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{L^2 L^2}{2\mu r^2} - L^2 V(r)$$

Note that ① the third and seventh terms sum to zero.

② L^2 has angular dependence only

③ $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}$, $\frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$ and $V(r)$ only depend on r

Thus

The orders of L^2 with $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}$, $\frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$ and $V(r)$ are interchangeable.

$$\Rightarrow [H, L^2] = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L^2 + V(r) L^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L^2 + V(r) L^2 = 0 \quad \square$$

show that $[H, L_z] = 0$

To show that $[H, L_z] = 0$, Let us show

$$[L^2, L_z] = 0$$

$$[L^2, L_z] = [L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2, L_z]$$
$$= [L_x^2, L_z] + [L_y^2, L_z] + [L_z^2, L_z]$$

$$= L_x [L_x, L_z] + [L_x, L_z] L_x + L_y [L_y, L_z] + [L_y, L_z] L_y$$

$$= L_x (-i\hbar) L_y + (-i\hbar) L_y L_x + L_y (i\hbar) L_x + (i\hbar) L_x L_y$$

$$= -i\hbar L_x L_y - i\hbar L_y L_x + i\hbar L_y L_x + i\hbar L_x L_y$$

$$= 0$$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{L^2}{2\mu r^2} + V(r)$$

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Because L^2 only depends on θ and ϕ , and L_z only depends on ϕ ,
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$$[H, L_z] = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}, L_z \right] + \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}, L_z \right]$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} L_z + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L_z \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} L_z + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} L_z \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} (-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2})$$

$$- \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} (-i\hbar) \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$$

$$= \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} - \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}$$

$$+ \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} - \frac{i\hbar^3}{2\mu} \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial}{\partial r}$$

Because the orders of these partial derivatives are interchangeable, $[H, L_z] = 0$. \square