

極座標表示の角運動量演算子とラプラシアン

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カーテシアン座標と極座標表示の間には以下の関係が成り立つ.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x & y & z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r \sin \theta \cos \phi & r \sin \theta \sin \phi & r \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} dx & dy & dz \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} dr & d\theta & d\phi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \\ r \cos \theta \cos \phi & r \cos \theta \sin \phi & -r \sin \theta \\ -r \sin \theta \sin \phi & r \sin \theta \cos \phi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \\ r \cos \theta \cos \phi & r \cos \theta \sin \phi & -r \sin \theta \\ -r \sin \theta \sin \phi & r \sin \theta \cos \phi & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \frac{\cos \theta \cos \phi}{r} & -\frac{\sin \phi}{r \sin \theta} \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi & \frac{\cos \theta \sin \phi}{r} & \frac{\cos \phi}{r \sin \theta} \\ \cos \theta & -\frac{\sin \theta}{r} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

以上から、角運動量演算子は,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} L_x \\ L_y \\ L_z \end{pmatrix} &= -i\hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -z & y \\ z & 0 & -x \\ -y & x & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -i\hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -r \cos \theta & r \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ r \cos \theta & 0 & -r \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ -r \sin \theta \sin \phi & r \sin \theta \cos \phi & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \frac{\cos \theta \cos \phi}{r} & -\frac{\sin \phi}{r \sin \theta} \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi & \frac{\cos \theta \sin \phi}{r} & \frac{\cos \phi}{r \sin \theta} \\ \cos \theta & -\frac{\sin \theta}{r} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -i\hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sin \phi & -\frac{\cos \phi}{\tan \theta} \\ 0 & \cos \phi & -\frac{\sin \phi}{\tan \theta} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

昇降演算子は,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} L_+ \\ L_- \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i & 0 \\ 1 & -i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_x \\ L_y \\ L_z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \hbar \begin{pmatrix} -i & 1 & 0 \\ -i & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sin \phi & -\frac{\cos \phi}{\tan \theta} \\ 0 & \cos \phi & -\frac{\sin \phi}{\tan \theta} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{i\phi} & \frac{ie^{i\phi}}{\tan \theta} \\ 0 & -e^{-i\phi} & \frac{ie^{-i\phi}}{\tan \theta} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

したがって角運動量演算子の自乗は,

$$L^2 = -\hbar^2 \begin{pmatrix} L_x & L_y & L_z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_x \\ L_y \\ L_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\hbar^2 \left(-\sin\phi\partial_\theta - \frac{\cos\phi}{\tan\theta}\partial_\phi, \quad \cos\phi\partial_\theta - \frac{\sin\phi}{\tan\theta}\partial_\phi, \quad \partial_\phi \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\sin\phi & -\frac{\cos\phi}{\tan\theta} \\ 0 & \cos\phi & -\frac{\sin\phi}{\tan\theta} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_r \\ \partial_\theta \\ \partial_\phi \end{pmatrix} \\
&= -\hbar^2 [\partial_\theta^2 + \frac{1}{\tan^2\theta}\partial_\phi^2 + \partial_\phi^2] - \hbar^2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{\tan\theta} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \partial_r \\ \partial_\theta \\ \partial_\phi \end{pmatrix} \\
&= -\hbar^2 [\frac{1}{\sin\theta}\partial_\theta(\sin\theta\partial_\theta) + \frac{1}{\sin^2\theta}\partial_\phi^2]. \tag{6}
\end{aligned}$$

ここで関係 $\nabla^2 = -p_r^2 - \frac{L^2}{\hbar^2 r^2}$ を思い出すと (ノート: 水素原子の Schrodinger 方程式を参照), ラプラシアンは極座標表示で

$$\nabla^2 = \left(\frac{1}{r}\partial_r r\right)^2 + \frac{1}{r^2} \left[\frac{1}{\sin\theta}\partial_\theta(\sin\theta\partial_\theta) + \frac{1}{\sin^2\theta}\partial_\phi^2 \right] \tag{7}$$