

Homework 7 Phys660

- Problem 1 (Projection operator)
 Consider two spin 1 particles. Define $\hat{S} = \hat{S}_1 + \hat{S}_2$ which is the total spin operator. Let's consider $|s, m\rangle$ be the eigenstates of \hat{S}^2, \hat{S}_z . What are the values of s ? Consider an operator \hat{J} , it has the following properties: $\hat{J}|s, m\rangle = J_s|s, m\rangle$ where $J_s = 1$ if s takes the maximum value and otherwise, $J_s = 0$. Write down the operator \hat{J} in terms of \hat{S}_1 and \hat{S}_2 .

- Problem 2
 - a. What is the time reversed state corresponding to $\hat{D}(R)|S, m\rangle$?
 - b. Using the properties of the time reversal and rotations, Prove

$$D_{m,m'}^{s*}(R) = (-1)^{m'-m} D_{-m,-m'}^s(R) \quad (1)$$

- Problem 3
 - a. Evaluate

$$\sum_{m=-s}^s |d_{mm'}^s(\beta)|^2 m \quad (2)$$

for any s ; then check your answer for $s = 1/2$.

b. Prove, for any s ,

$$\sum_{m=-s}^s |d_{mm'}^s(\beta)|^2 m^2 = \frac{1}{2} [s(s+1) \sin^2 \beta + m'^2 (3 \cos^2 \beta - 1)] \quad (3)$$

[hint: Examine the rotational properties of J_z^2]

- Problem 4
 Consider \hat{A}, \hat{B} are two vector operators. $\hat{\sigma}$ is Pauli matrix, Prove

$$(\hat{A} \cdot \hat{\sigma})(\hat{B} \cdot \hat{\sigma}) = \hat{A} \cdot \hat{B} + i \hat{\sigma} \cdot (\hat{A} \times \hat{B}) \quad (4)$$

- Problem 5
 Consider $\hat{A} = (A_x, A_y, A_z), \hat{B} = (B_x, B_y, B_z)$ are two vector operators. Using the product of two operators to construct the spherical tensor T_q^p . Explicitly write $T_q^1, q = \pm 1, 0$ and $T_q^2, q = \pm 2, \pm 1, 0$.
- Problem 6
 Calculate all C-G coefficients for a system with two spin-one independent spins.
- Problem 7:
 A system is in the total angular momentum eigenstate labeled by $|jm\rangle$. The system is suddenly perturbed by an operator \hat{U} , namely, the new

state becomes $\hat{U}|jm\rangle$. It is known that \hat{U} satisfies the following relation with Angular momentum operator,

$$[\hat{U}, \hat{J}_z] = \frac{1}{2}\hat{U}, \quad (5)$$

$$[[\hat{U}, \hat{J}^2], \hat{J}^2] = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{U}\hat{J}^2 + \hat{J}^2\hat{U}) + \frac{3}{16}\hat{U} \quad (6)$$

What is the selection rules in this process in angular momentum base? (namely, $\langle j'm'|\hat{U}|jm\rangle \neq 0$)

• Problem 8:

(a) Write $\hat{x}\hat{y}$, $\hat{x}\hat{z}$, $(\hat{x}^2 - \hat{y}^2)$ as components of a spherical tensor operator of rank 2.

(b) The expectation value

$$Q = 2 \langle n, J, J | 3\hat{z}^2 - \hat{r}^2 | n, J, J \rangle \quad (7)$$

is known as the quadrupole moment where $\hat{r}^2 = \hat{x}^2 + \hat{y}^2 + \hat{z}^2$. Evaluate,

$$\langle n, J, m | \hat{x}^2 - \hat{y}^2 | n, J, J \rangle \quad (8)$$

• Problem 9:

In Schwinger's boson picture for angular momentum, let's define

$$\hat{K} = \hat{a}\hat{b} \quad (9)$$

What is the physical significance of the operators \hat{K} and \hat{K}^\dagger . Give the nonvanishing matrix elements.

• Problem 10 :

Consider a particle with spin 1/2 and orbital angular momentum, l . The total angular momentum is given by $\hat{J} = \hat{l} + \frac{\hbar}{2}\hat{\sigma}$. Assume that the particle is in an eigenstate of the total angular momentum and \hat{J}_z . The eigenstate is labeled as $|ljm\rangle$. Namely, $\hat{l}^2|ljm\rangle = \hbar^2 l(l+1)|ljm\rangle$, $\hat{J}^2|ljm\rangle = \hbar^2 j(j+1)|ljm\rangle$, $\hat{J}_z|ljm\rangle = \hbar m|ljm\rangle$.

a. Prove the following relation which shows that the expectation value of the spin operator is proportional to the expectation value of the total angular momentum,

$$\langle \sigma_i \rangle = \langle J_i \rangle \frac{j(j+1) - l(l+1) + \frac{3}{4}}{j(j+1)} \quad (10)$$

b. If we consider the particle is an electron, the magnetic moment of the electron is given by $\hat{\mu} = -\frac{e}{2m_e c}(\hat{l} + \hat{\sigma})$. Calculate the expectation value of μ_z . (the result defines the Lande g factor).

- Problem 11:

Consider a spin system in a 2×2 square lattice which has four lattice sites labeled as 1, 2, 3, 4 clockwise. There is a $1/2$ spin at each lattice site, given by $\hat{S}_1, \hat{S}_2, \hat{S}_3, \hat{S}_4$. The hamiltonian of the system is given by

$$H = J(\hat{S}_1 \cdot \hat{S}_2 + \hat{S}_2 \cdot \hat{S}_3 + \hat{S}_3 \cdot \hat{S}_4 + \hat{S}_4 \cdot \hat{S}_1) \quad (11)$$

Determine the energy eigenvalues of the system and their degeneracy of the related eigenstates. (hint, consider the state in the following base, the total spin, $\hat{S}_2 + \hat{S}_4$ and $\hat{S}_1 + \hat{S}_3$)

- Problem 12:

A particle with mass m in a sphere quantum well,

$$V(r) = 0, r < a; V_0 > 0, r \geq a \quad (12)$$

Consider the bound state of the system ($E < V_0$).

- What is the minimum value of $V_0 a^2$ when the system has the first bound state.
- For each angular momentum l , find condition when a new bound state appears.
- Estimate the number of bound states when V_0 is very large.