

## QM2 Final, June 14, 2010.

You must provide the details or reasonings to justify your answers.

1. (30%)[**Time dependent perturbation** ]

A particle with mass  $m$  lives in an infinite 1-D square well between  $x = 0$  and  $x = L$ . It is initially in the ground state at  $t = 0$ . Starting from  $t = 0$ , it is subjected to a perturbation  $V(t) = x^2 e^{-t/\tau}$ . To the first order of perturbation, calculate the probability of finding the particle in its first excited state when  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

2. (30%)[**Born approximation** ]

Using the Born approximation, estimate the cross section of a very shallow 3-D potential well of radius  $a$  and depth  $V_0$  at the low energy limit  $k \rightarrow 0$ . Explain the physical meaning of your result in words.

3. (30%)[**Identical Particles** ]

Two noninteracting identical spin-3/2 particles (with mass  $m$ ) are confined to move in an 1-D square well,  $V(x) = 0$  for  $0 < x < L$  and  $V(x) = \infty$  for other values of  $x$ . Assume that the particles are in a state with the wave function

$$\Psi(x_1, x_2) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{L} \left[ \sin \frac{2\pi x_1}{L} \sin \frac{5\pi x_2}{L} - \sin \frac{5\pi x_1}{L} \sin \frac{2\pi x_2}{L} \right] \chi(s_1, s_2)$$

where  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are the positions of particles 1 and 2 respectively, and  $\chi(s_1, s_2)$  is the spin wave function of the system.

- (a) What are the possible values of the total spin?
- (b) Find the energy of this system.

4. (30%)[**Wigner-Eckart theorem** ]

(a) Expressing  $xz/r^2$  and  $(x^2 - y^2)/r^2$  in terms of the components of a spherical tensor of rank 2 (i.e., in terms of  $Y_2^m(\theta, \phi)$  )

(b) Using the Wigner-Eckart theorem, calculate the values of  $\langle 1, 0 | (xz)/r^2 | 1, 1 \rangle$  and  $\langle 1, 1 | (x^2 - y^2)/r^2 | 1, -1 \rangle$ .

### 35. CLEBSCH-GORDAN COEFFICIENTS, SPHERICAL HARMONICS, AND $d$ FUNCTIONS

Note: A square-root sign is to be understood over every coefficient, e.g., for  $-8/15$  read  $-\sqrt{8/15}$ .

Notation:

$J$	$J$	$\dots$
$M$	$M$	$\dots$
$m_1$	$m_2$	$\dots$
$m_1$	$m_2$	$\dots$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
Coefficients		

$$Y_0^1 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos \theta$$

$$Y_1^1 = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin \theta e^{i\phi}$$

$$Y_2^0 = \sqrt{\frac{5}{4\pi}} \left( \frac{3}{2} \cos^2 \theta - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$Y_2^1 = -\sqrt{\frac{15}{8\pi}} \sin \theta \cos \theta e^{i\phi}$$

$$Y_2^2 = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \sin^2 \theta e^{2i\phi}$$

1/2 x 1/2	1	0	0
+1/2 + 1/2	1	0	0
+1/2 - 1/2	1/2	1/2	-1
-1/2 + 1/2	1/2	-1/2	-1
-1/2 - 1/2	1	0	0

  

2 x 1/2	5/2	3/2	3/2
+2 + 1/2	1	+3/2 + 3/2	3/2
+2 - 1/2	1/5	4/5	5/2 3/2
+1 + 1/2	4/5 - 1/5	+1/2 + 1/2	3/2

  

1 x 1/2	3/2	1/2	1/2
+1 + 1/2	1	+1/2 + 1/2	1/2
+1 - 1/2	1/3	2/3	3/2 1/2
0 + 1/2	2/3 - 1/3	-1/2 - 1/2	1/2

  

2 x 1	3	2	1
+2 + 1	1	+2 + 2	1
+2 0	1/3	2/3	3 2 1
+1 + 1	2/3 - 1/3	+1 + 1	1

  

3/2 x 1	5/2	3/2	3/2
+3/2 + 1	1	+3/2 + 3/2	3/2
+3/2 0	2/5	3/5	5/2 3/2 1/2
+1/2 + 1	3/5 - 2/5	+1/2 + 1/2	1/2

$$Y_\ell^{-m} = (-1)^m Y_\ell^{m*}$$

$$d_{m,0}^\ell = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2\ell+1}} Y_\ell^m e^{-im\phi}$$

$$d_{m',m}^j = (-1)^{m-m'} d_{m,m'}^j = d_{-m,-m'}^j$$

3/2 x 3/2	3	2	1
+3/2 + 3/2	1	+2 + 2	1
+3/2 + 1/2	1/2	1/2	3 2 1
+1/2 + 3/2	1/2 - 1/2	+1 + 1	1

  

2 x 3/2	7/2	5/2	3/2
+2 + 3/2	1	+5/2 + 5/2	3/2
+2 + 1/2	3/7	4/7	7/2 5/2 3/2
+1 + 3/2	4/7 - 3/7	+3/2 + 3/2	3/2

  

2 x 2	4	3	2
+2 + 2	1	+3 + 3	2
+2 + 1	1/2	1/2	4 3 2
+1 + 2	1/2 - 1/2	+2 + 2	2

$$d_{0,0}^1 = \cos \theta$$

$$d_{1/2,1/2}^{1/2} = \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d_{1,1}^1 = \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2}$$

$$d_{1/2,-1/2}^{1/2} = -\sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d_{1,0}^1 = -\frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$d_{1,-1}^1 = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2}$$

$$d_{3/2,3/2}^{3/2} = \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d_{3/2,1/2}^{3/2} = -\sqrt{3} \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d_{3/2,-1/2}^{3/2} = \sqrt{3} \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d_{3/2,-3/2}^{3/2} = -\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d_{1/2,1/2}^{3/2} = \frac{3 \cos \theta - 1}{2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d_{1/2,-1/2}^{3/2} = -\frac{3 \cos \theta + 1}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

**Figure 35.1:** The sign convention is that of Wigner (*Group Theory*, Academic Press, New York, 1959), also used by Condon and Shortley (*The Theory of Atomic Spectra*, Cambridge Univ. Press, New York, 1953), Rose (*Elementary Theory of Angular Momentum*, Wiley, New York, 1957), and Cohen (*Tables of the Clebsch-Gordan Coefficients*, North American Rockwell Science Center, Thousand Oaks, Calif., 1974). The coefficients here have been calculated using computer programs written independently by Cohen and at LBNL.