

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\alpha x^2 - \beta x} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\alpha}} e^{\beta^2/4\alpha} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 e^{-\alpha x^2} dx = \frac{-d}{d\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\alpha x^2} dx \quad \int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-\alpha x} dx = \frac{n!}{\alpha^{n+1}} \quad \int f(x) \delta(x-a) dx = f(a)$$

$$H\psi = i\hbar\partial_t\psi \quad H\psi = E\psi \quad H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V(x) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \partial_x^2 + V(x) \quad p = -i\hbar\partial_x \quad [p, x] = -i\hbar$$

Notation:  $Hu_n = E_n u_n$ ,  $u_n(x)$  orthonormal, and  $\omega_n \equiv E_n/\hbar : \Psi(x, t=0) = \sum c_n u_n(x) \Rightarrow \Psi(x, t) = \sum c_n u_n e^{-i\omega_n t}$

where (Fourier's Trick):  $c_n = \langle u_n | \Psi \rangle$  Notation:  $\langle f | Q | g \rangle \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f^*(x) Qg(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (Q^\dagger f(x))^* g(x) dx = \langle Q^\dagger f | g \rangle$

$$\partial_t \psi^*(x, t)\psi(x, t) = -\partial_x J \quad \text{where current } J = \frac{\hbar}{2im} (\psi^* \partial_x \psi - \psi \partial_x \psi^*) = \frac{\hbar}{2im} \psi^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_x \psi$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \psi | A | \psi \rangle = \langle \psi | \partial_t A | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | i[H, A]/\hbar | \psi \rangle \quad [A, B] \equiv AB - BA$$

$$\sigma_A \sigma_B = \Delta A \Delta B \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle \psi | i[A, B] | \psi \rangle| \quad [AB, C] = A[B, C] + [A, C]B$$

**Free Particle:**  $\psi_p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hbar}} e^{ipx/\hbar}$  or  $\psi_k(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{ikx}$  where  $p = \hbar k$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{ikx} g(k) dk \quad g(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-ikx} f(x) dx$$

**Particle-in-a-box** with  $V(x) = 0$  for  $0 < x < L$ , but  $V(x) = \infty$  elsewhere

$$E_n = \frac{(\hbar k)^2}{2m} \quad \psi_n(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \sin(kx) \quad \text{where } k = \frac{n\pi}{L} \quad n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

3-d:  $|n_x n_y n_z\rangle = \psi_{n_x}(x) \psi_{n_y}(y) \psi_{n_z}(z)$   $E = \frac{(\hbar k)^2}{2m}$  where  $\vec{k} = (n_x \pi/L_x, n_y \pi/L_y, n_z \pi/L_z)$

spherical box:  $R(r) = j_\ell(kr)$   $E = \frac{(\hbar k)^2}{2m}$  where:  $kR = \text{zero of } j_\ell$

**Harmonic Oscillator** with  $V(x) = \frac{1}{2} m\omega^2 x^2$   $E_n = \hbar\omega(n + \frac{1}{2})$   $n = 0, 1, 2 \dots$

$$|n\rangle = \psi_n(x) = N_n H_n(\xi) e^{-\frac{1}{2}\xi^2} \quad \text{where } \xi = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{\hbar}} x \quad \text{and } H_n \text{ is an } n^{\text{th}} \text{ degree polynomial}$$

$$a_- = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}} \left( x + i\frac{p}{m\omega} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\xi + \partial_\xi) \quad a_+ = a_-^\dagger = \sqrt{\frac{m\omega}{2\hbar}} \left( x - i\frac{p}{m\omega} \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\xi - \partial_\xi) \quad x = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega}} (a_+ + a_-)$$

$$[a_-, a_+] = 1 \quad [H, a_\pm] = \pm\hbar\omega a_\pm \quad H = \hbar\omega \left( \frac{1}{2} + a_+ a_- \right) \quad a_- |n\rangle = \sqrt{n} |n-1\rangle \quad a_+ |n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |n+1\rangle$$

2-d:  $(n_x + n_y + 1) = (2n_r + |m| + 1)$  3-d:  $(n_x + n_y + n_z + \frac{3}{2}) = (2n_r + \ell + \frac{3}{2})$

**Angular Momentum:**  $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$   $[L_i, V_j] = i\hbar\epsilon_{ijk}V_k$  where vector  $\vec{V} = \vec{r}, \vec{p}, \vec{L}$   $|\ell m\rangle = Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) \quad -\ell \leq m \leq +\ell$

$$\vec{L}^2 |\ell m\rangle = \ell(\ell+1) \hbar^2 |\ell m\rangle \quad L_z |\ell m\rangle = m\hbar |\ell m\rangle \quad L_\pm |\ell m\rangle = \sqrt{\ell(\ell+1) - m(m \pm 1)} \hbar |\ell m \pm 1\rangle$$

$$L_\pm = L_x \pm iL_y \quad [L_+, L_-] = 2\hbar L_z \quad [L_z, L_\pm] = \pm\hbar L_\pm \quad [\vec{L}^2, L_\pm] = 0 \quad [L_i, \vec{V} \cdot \vec{W}] = 0$$

**Spin  $\frac{1}{2}$ :**  $\vec{S} = \frac{\hbar}{2} \vec{\sigma}$   $|\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}\rangle = \chi_+ = \uparrow = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$   $|\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\rangle = \chi_- = \downarrow = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

**Clebsch-Gordan:**  $|jm\rangle = \sum C(jm; \ell m_\ell, sm_s) |\ell m_\ell\rangle |sm_s\rangle$  know how to use table!

**Radial Equation:**  $\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) R(r)$   $R(r) = \frac{u(r)}{r}$

$$\left[ \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \partial_r^2 + \frac{2}{r} \partial_r \right) + \frac{\hbar^2 \ell(\ell+1)}{2mr^2} + V(r) \right] R = E R \quad \left[ \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \partial_r^2 + \frac{\hbar^2 \ell(\ell+1)}{2mr^2} + V(r) \right] u = E u$$

**H atom:**  $H = \frac{p^2}{2m} - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$   $E_n = -\frac{1}{2} mc^2 \frac{(Z\alpha)^2}{n^2} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{Z^2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a_0 n^2} \approx -13.6 \text{ eV} \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$a_0 = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar^2}{me^2} \approx .53 \text{ \AA} \quad \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar c} \approx \frac{1}{137} \quad n = n_r + \ell + 1 \quad \therefore 0 \leq \ell \leq n-1 \quad \rho = \sqrt{\frac{8m|E|}{\hbar^2}} r = \frac{2Zr}{na_0}$$

$$|n\ell m\rangle = R_{n\ell}(\rho) Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) \quad \text{where} \quad R_{n\ell} = N_{n\ell} \rho^\ell L_{n_r}^{2\ell+1}(\rho) e^{-\frac{1}{2}\rho} \quad N_{n\ell} = \frac{2}{n^2} \sqrt{\frac{(n-\ell-1)!}{(n+\ell)!}}$$

**2-particle CM Coordinates:**

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{R} &= \frac{m_1}{M} \vec{r}_1 + \frac{m_2}{M} \vec{r}_2 & \vec{r}_1 &= \vec{R} + \frac{m_2}{M} \vec{r} & M &= m_1 + m_2 & \frac{p_1^2}{2m_1} + \frac{p_2^2}{2m_2} &= \frac{P^2}{2M} + \frac{p^2}{2\mu} \\ \vec{r} &= \vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2 & \vec{r}_2 &= \vec{R} - \frac{m_1}{M} \vec{r} & \mu &= \frac{m_1 m_2}{M} \end{aligned}$$

**Magnetic:**  $\vec{p} \rightarrow \vec{p} - q\vec{A}$  where  $q$  is charge, e.g., for electron:  $q = -e$   $\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$  e.g., uniform  $\vec{B}$  from  $\vec{A} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{B} \times \vec{r}$

## Approximation Methods:

WKB:  $\int k(x) dx = (n - \frac{1}{2})\pi$  (two linear turning points)  $\hbar k(x) = p(x) = \sqrt{2m(E - V(x))}$

Rayleigh-Ritz: minimize  $E = \frac{\langle \psi | H | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle}$

Perturbation Theory:  $E_n^1 = \langle n | H' | n \rangle$   $E_n^2 = \sum_{k \neq n} \frac{|\langle k | H' | n \rangle|^2}{E_n^0 - E_k^0}$  degenerate: diagonalize matrix  $\langle i | H' | j \rangle$

Time Dependent:  $c_b(t) \simeq -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_0^t H'_{ba}(t') e^{i(E_b - E_a)t'/\hbar} dt'$

if  $H' = V(\mathbf{r}) \cos \omega t$  then:  $P_{a \rightarrow b} \approx \frac{|V_{ab}|^2}{\hbar^2} \frac{\sin^2((\omega_0 - \omega)t/2)}{(\omega_0 - \omega)^2}$  E1 Unpolarized Light:  $R_{a \rightarrow b} = \frac{\pi \rho(\omega_0)}{3\epsilon_0 \hbar^2} |q \langle \psi_b | \vec{r} | \psi_a \rangle|^2$

**Selection Rules:**  $\Delta m = \pm 1, 0$   $\Delta l = \pm 1$

E1:  $\Delta J = 0, \pm 1$  ( $0 \not\rightarrow 0$ ),  $\Delta M = 0, \pm 1$  ( $0 \not\rightarrow 0$ , if  $\Delta J = 0$ ),  $\Delta S = 0$ ,  $\Delta L = 0, \pm 1$  ( $0 \not\rightarrow 0$ )

**Spectroscopic Notation:** orbital: s,p,d,f,g term:  ${}^{2S+1}L_J$  atomic: 1s,2s,2p,3s,3p,4s,3d nuclear: 1s,1p,1d,2s,1f,2p,1g

**Spin-statistics:** fermion:  $s = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$  boson:  $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$u(x_i) = (N!)^{-1/2} \begin{vmatrix} f(x_1) & f(x_2) & f(x_3) & \dots \\ g(x_1) & g(x_2) & g(x_3) & \dots \\ h(x_1) & h(x_2) & h(x_3) & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \end{vmatrix}$$

**Scattering:**  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\text{hits/sec in detector}}{J d\Omega} = \frac{\text{hits/sec in detector}}{nt \text{ beam current } d\Omega} = \frac{b}{\sin \theta} \left| \frac{db}{d\theta} \right| = |f|^2$  where:  $\psi \approx e^{ikz} + f(\theta) \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) e^{i\delta_\ell} \sin(\delta_\ell) P_\ell(\cos \theta) \quad \sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) \sin^2(\delta_\ell) \quad f_{\text{Born}} = \frac{-m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}_0} V(\vec{r}_0) d^3 \mathbf{r}_0 \quad \vec{q} = \vec{k}_i - \vec{k}_f$$

$$f_{\text{Born}} = f_{\text{Ruth}} F(q) \quad \text{where Form Factor: } F(q) = \int e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \rho(r) d^3 \mathbf{r} \quad \text{using normalized charge density: } \rho \ni 1 = \int \rho(r) d^3 \mathbf{r}$$

$$F(k) \approx 1 - \frac{1}{6} k^2 \langle r^2 \rangle \quad \text{scattering length } a: \delta_0 \approx n\pi - ak \quad \text{effective range } r_e: \cot \delta_0 \approx \frac{-1}{ka} + \frac{1}{2} r_e k$$