

Hamiltonian operator:-

$$H = \frac{P^2}{2m} + V$$

$$\hat{H} = \hat{T} + \hat{V}$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + \hat{V}$$

$$\left(\because p = -i\hbar \nabla \right)$$

$$\therefore \hat{H} \psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}$$

$$\int -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi + V \psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}$$

Parity operator:-

$$\hat{P} f(x) = f(-x)$$

$\rightarrow \hat{P}$ is parity operator.

a) Parity operator \hat{P} is Hermitian \therefore

$$\int \psi^*(\vec{r}) \hat{P} \phi(\vec{r}) d\vec{r}$$

$$= \int \psi^*(\vec{r}) \phi(-\vec{r}) d\vec{r} = \int \psi^*(-\vec{r}) \phi(\vec{r}) d\vec{r}$$

$$= \int [\hat{P} \psi(\vec{r})]^* \phi(\vec{r}) d\vec{r}$$

b) Eigen values of \hat{P} \therefore

$$\hat{P} \psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \alpha \psi_\alpha(\vec{r})$$

$\rightarrow \alpha$ is an eigen value.

$$\hat{P} f(-\vec{r}) = f(\vec{r})$$

$$\hat{P} [\hat{P} f(-\vec{r})] = \hat{P} f(\vec{r}) = f(-\vec{r}) = I f(-\vec{r})$$

$$\Rightarrow P^2 f(-\vec{r}) = \hat{I} f(-\vec{r})$$

$$\Rightarrow P^2 = \hat{I} \rightarrow \text{unit operator.}$$

$$P^2 \psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \alpha \hat{P} \psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) = \alpha^2 \psi_\alpha(\vec{r}) \quad \cancel{= \alpha \psi_\alpha(\vec{r})}$$

$$= \psi_\alpha(\vec{r})$$

$$\alpha^2 = 1$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \pm 1$$

Let ψ_+ and ψ_- be the eigen functions related to the eigen values $+1$ and -1 respectively.

$$\hat{P} \psi_+(\vec{r}) = \psi_+(\vec{r}), \quad \hat{P} \psi_-(\vec{r}) = -\psi_-(\vec{r})$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi_+(-\vec{r}) = \psi_+(\vec{r}), \quad \psi_-(-\vec{r}) = -\psi_-(\vec{r})$$

Thus $\psi_+(\vec{r})$ is an even function of (\vec{r}) and $\psi_-(\vec{r})$ is an odd function of (\vec{r}) . The eigen functions ψ_+ are said to have even parity and ψ_- have odd parity.

$\psi(\vec{r})$ can be written as

$$\psi(\vec{r}) = \psi_+(\vec{r}) + \psi_-(\vec{r})$$

$$\text{here, } \psi_+(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{2} [\psi(\vec{r}) + \psi(-\vec{r})] \quad \text{has even parity}$$

$$\psi_-(\vec{r}) = \frac{1}{2} [\psi(\vec{r}) - \psi(-\vec{r})] \quad \text{has odd parity.}$$

Angular momentum operator:-

$$(\because L = \vec{r} \times \vec{p})$$

$$\hat{L} = \vec{r} \times (-i\hbar \nabla) = -i\hbar \vec{r} \times \nabla \quad \vec{p} = -i\hbar \nabla$$

If L_x , L_y and L_z be the components \vec{L} then,

$$\vec{L} = \hat{i} \hat{L}_x + \hat{j} \hat{L}_y + \hat{k} \hat{L}_z$$

$$= -i\hbar \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ x & y & z \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\hat{L}_x = -i\hbar \left(y \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - z \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\hat{L}_y = -i\hbar \left(z \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - x \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$\hat{L}_z = -i\hbar \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)$$

It is to be noted that L_x , L_y , L_z do not commute each other.

$$[\hat{L}_x, \hat{L}_y] = i\hbar \hat{L}_z$$

$$[\hat{L}_y, \hat{L}_z] = i\hbar \hat{L}_x$$

$$[\hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_x] = i\hbar \hat{L}_y$$

The components \hat{L}_x , \hat{L}_y , \hat{L}_z of \vec{L} commute with the Hamiltonian of the system.

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{L}_x] = 0, [\hat{H}, \hat{L}_y] = 0, [\hat{H}, \hat{L}_z] = 0$$

In spherical polar co-ordinates

$$\hat{L}_x = i\hbar \left[\sin\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} + \cot\theta \cos\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \right]$$

$$\hat{L}_y = -i\hbar \left[\cos\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} - \cot\theta \sin\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \right]$$

$$\& \hat{L}_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

We can prove that,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{L}^2 &= \hat{L}_x^2 + \hat{L}_y^2 + \hat{L}_z^2 \\ &= -\hbar^2 \left[\frac{1}{\sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2\theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Further \hat{L}^2 commutes with each of $\hat{L}_x, \hat{L}_y, \hat{L}_z$

$$\text{i.e. } [\hat{L}^2, \hat{L}_x] = 0$$

$$[\hat{L}^2, \hat{L}_y] = 0$$

$$\& [\hat{L}^2, \hat{L}_z] = 0$$

(a) Ladder operators, L_+ & L_-

$$\hat{L}_+ = \hat{L}_x + i\hat{L}_y$$

$$\& \hat{L}_- = \hat{L}_x - i\hat{L}_y$$

Commutation of \hat{L}_z with \hat{L}_+ & \hat{L}_-

$$[\hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_+] = [\hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_x + i\hat{L}_y]$$

$$= [\hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_x] + i[\hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_y]$$

$$= i\hbar \hat{L}_y + i(-i\hbar \hat{L}_x)$$

$$= i\hbar \hat{L}_y + \hbar \hat{L}_x$$

$$= \hbar [\hat{L}_x + i\hat{L}_y]$$

$$= \hbar \hat{L}_+$$

$$\therefore [\hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_+] = \hbar \hat{L}_+$$

Similarly, we can show that

$$[\hat{L}_z, \hat{L}_-] = \cancel{2\hbar\hat{L}_-} - \hbar\hat{L}_-$$

$$\& [\hat{L}_+, \hat{L}_-] = 2\hbar\hat{L}_z$$

(b) Commutation of $\hat{L}_x, \hat{L}_y, \hat{L}_z$ with $\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}$.

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{L}_x, \hat{x}] &= (\hat{L}_x \hat{x} - \hat{x} \hat{L}_x) \\ &= \left[y \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) - z \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \right] \\ &\quad - x \left[y \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) - z \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

If $\psi(x)$ is a function of x then

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{L}_x \hat{x} - \hat{x} \hat{L}_x) \psi &= \left[y \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (x\psi) \right) - z \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x\psi) \right) \right] \\ &\quad - x \left[y \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} \right) - z \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [\hat{L}_x, \hat{x}] = 0$$

$$\text{Similarly, } [\hat{L}_x, \hat{y}] = i\hbar z, \quad [\hat{L}_x, \hat{z}] = -i\hbar y$$

$$[\hat{L}_y, \hat{y}] = 0, \quad [\hat{L}_y, \hat{z}] = i\hbar x$$

$$[\hat{L}_y, \hat{x}] = -i\hbar z, \quad [\hat{L}_z, \hat{y}] = -i\hbar x$$

$$[\hat{L}_z, \hat{z}] = 0, \quad [\hat{L}_z, \hat{x}] = i\hbar y$$