

Homework 1

1. (50 points) Show that $[\hat{p}_i, \hat{L}_j] =$

$$i \sum_k \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{p}_k \text{ and } [\hat{r}_i, \hat{L}_j] = i \sum_k \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{r}_k$$

- Show explicitly that these generators satisfy the following

commutator *relations* : $[\hat{L}_i, \hat{L}_j] = i \sum_k \epsilon_{ijk} \hat{L}_k$

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

2. (20 points) Show that for spherically symmetric potential

$$[H, \hat{L}_i] = 0$$

3. (50 points) Obtain the Radial part of the Schroedinger equation for

spherically symmetric potential. Show that it can be reduced to the form of one dimensional Schroedinger equation.

4. (50 points) Derive the asymptotic expressions for radial wave function at

$r \rightarrow 0$ and $r \rightarrow \infty$ limits, for the situation in which the potential energy disappears at infinity and increases at $r \rightarrow 0$ slower than $1/r^2$

5. (50 points) Show that classical Laplace - Runge - Lenz vector is a conserved quantity. Show its direction for the elliptical orbit.

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{p}) + \frac{k m \vec{r}}{r}$$

6. (50 points) Show that

$$\hat{A} = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{\mathbf{L}} \times \mathbf{p}) - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{p} \times \hat{\mathbf{L}}) + \frac{k m \vec{r}}{r} \text{ is a hermitean operator,}$$

where $k = Ze^2$.