

PHY 742 Quantum Mechanics II

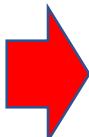
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Notes for Lecture 34

Review

- **Overview**
- **Examples**

27	Fri: 04/08/2022		Multi electron atoms	#21	04/11/2022
28	Mon: 04/11/2022		Multi electron atoms	#22	04/18/2022
29	Wed: 04/13/2022		Multi electron atoms		
	Fri: 04/15/2022	No class	Holiday		
30	Mon: 04/18/2022		Hubbard model with multiple electrons	#23	04/22/2022
31	Wed: 04/20/2022		Hubbard model with multiple electrons		
32	Fri: 04/22/2022		BCS model of superconductivity		
33	Mon: 04/25/2022		BCS model of superconductivity		
34	Wed: 04/27/2022		Review		
35	Fri: 04/29/2022		Review		



Main topics, covering Chapters 12-18 + of Professor E. Carlson's textbook

- Approximation methods for Quantum Mechanical problems; time-dependent and time independent
- Quantum mechanical scattering theory
- Dirac equation
- Quantization of the electromagnetic field
- Treatment of multiparticle systems
- Special cases

Example solution --

= HW #7 for PHY 742

PHY 742 -- Assignment #7

January 28, 2022

Continue reading Chapter 14 in **Carlson's** textbook.

1. Consider the function e^{ix} , where x is a positive quantity.
 - a. Write the function as an expansion in terms of spherical bessel functions.
 - b. Using Maple or Mathematica or other software, plot the real and imaginary parts of the function as a function for x in the range of 0 and 5, both for the function itself and a finite number of expansion terms.
 - c. Comment on the accuracy of the expansion.

= From Lecture #8 --

From Lecture 8 --

Some details: Note that this is also covered in Jackson in Sec. 10.3

It can be shown that: $e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} = \sum_l i^l (2l+1) j_l(kr) P_l(\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}) = 4\pi \sum_{lm} i^l j_l(kr) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}})$

Note that: $e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}} = e^{ikr \cos \theta} = 1 + ikr \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2}(ikr \cos \theta)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}(ikr \cos \theta)^3 \dots$

Legendre polynomials $P_l(\cos \theta)$:

$$P_0(\cos \theta) = 1$$

$$P_1(\cos \theta) = \cos \theta$$

$$P_2(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{2}(3\cos^2 \theta - 1)$$

Note that by design:

$$P_l(1) = 1$$

Spherical Bessel functions $j_l(kr)$:

$$j_0(kr) = 1 - \frac{1}{6}(kr)^2 \dots$$

$$j_1(kr) = \frac{1}{3}kr - \frac{1}{30}(kr)^3 \dots$$

Legendre polynomials vs spherical harmonics --

$$P_l(\hat{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = \frac{4\pi}{2l+1} \sum_{m=-l}^l Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{y}})$$

This means for our problem --

$$\exp(ix) = \sum_1 (\ i^l * (2l+1) * j_l(x))$$

$$\text{Real}(\exp(ix)) = j_0(x) - 5*j_2(x) + 9*j_4(x) - 13*j_6(x) \dots$$

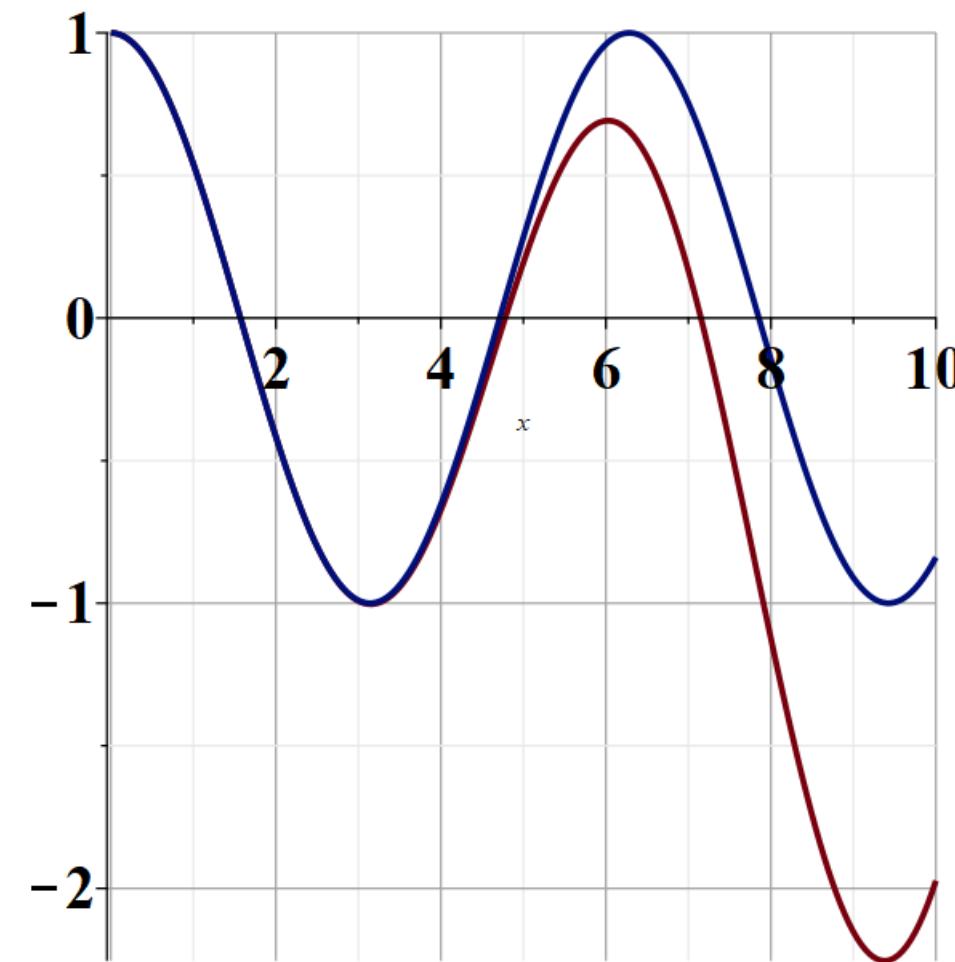
$$\text{Imag}(\exp(ix)) = 3*j_1(x) - 7*j_3(x) + 11*j_5(x) - 15*j_7(x) \dots$$

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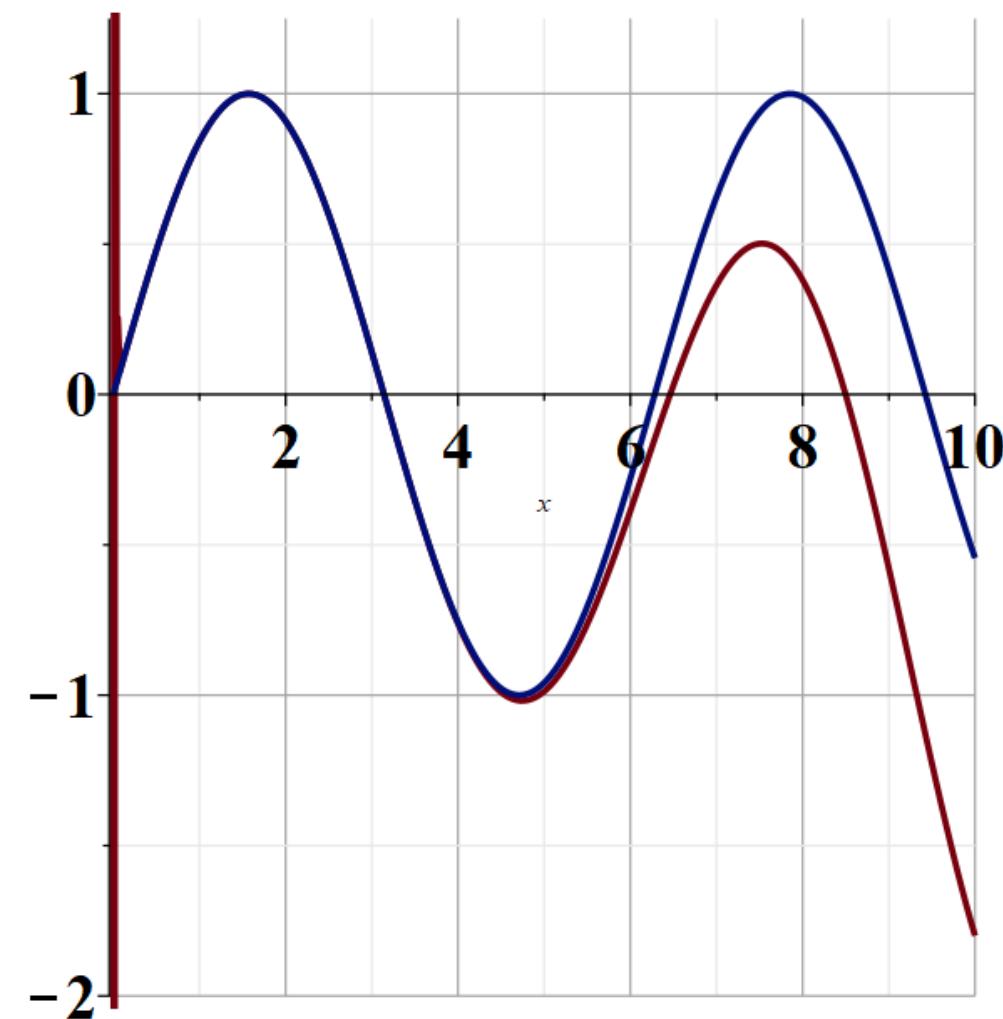
$$> jj := (l, x) \rightarrow \left(\frac{\pi}{2x} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \text{BesselJ}\left(l + \frac{1}{2}, x \right);$$

$$jj := (l, x) \mapsto \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{x}} \cdot \text{BesselJ}\left(l + \frac{1}{2}, x \right)}{2}$$

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> plot( {cos(x),jj(0,x) - 5·jj(2,x) + 9·jj(4,x) - 13·jj(6,x)}, x = 0.001 ..10, thickness = 3, gridlines, font = [ariel, bold, 24])
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> plot( {sin(x), 3·jj(1, x) - 7·jj(3, x) + 11·jj(5, x) - 15·jj(7, x)}, x = 0.001 ..10, thickness = 3, gridlines, font  
= [ariel, bold, 24])
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Do you think this expansion is useful?

Is it helpful to encourage you to plot these functions to see how the expansion works/fails?

When the dust clears:

$$f(\hat{\mathbf{k}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{4\pi}{k} \sum_{lm} e^{i\delta_l(E)} \sin(\delta_l(E)) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{r}})$$

Differential cross section: $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(\hat{\mathbf{k}}, \hat{\mathbf{r}})|^2$

Total cross section: $\int d\Omega \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \sigma(E) = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_l (2l+1) \sin^2(\delta_l(E))$

Another example – from Lecture 30 on the 2-site Hubbard model

Two-site Hubbard model

$$H = -t(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow} + c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}) + U(n_{1\uparrow} n_{1\downarrow} + n_{2\uparrow} n_{2\downarrow})$$

Matrix elements of Hamiltonian for all 2 particle states with spin 0:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C \\ A & U & 0 & -\sqrt{2}t \\ B & 0 & U & -\sqrt{2}t \\ C & -\sqrt{2}t & -\sqrt{2}t & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

|A\rangle \equiv c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle

|B\rangle \equiv c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle

|C\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle

Note that this is corrected from the original slides

We claim that these states correspond to a total spin S=0; how can we analyze this?

Total spin S=0:

$$|A\rangle \equiv c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$$

$$|B\rangle \equiv c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$$

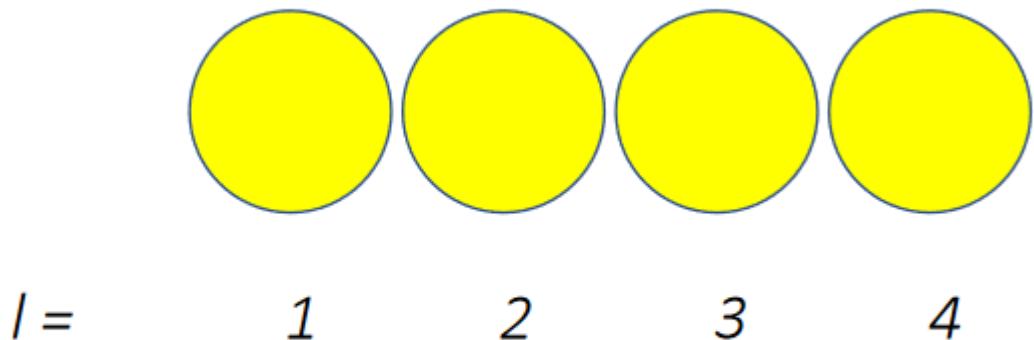
$$|C\rangle \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle$$

Possible total spin S=1 states:

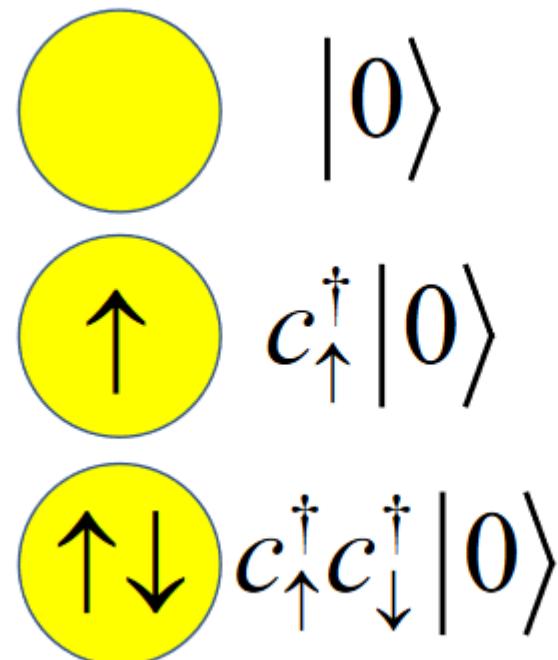
$$|D\rangle = c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$$

$$|E\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger - c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle$$

$$|F\rangle = c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$$



Possible configurations of a single site



How can we calculate the total spin for our states?

Basic properties of indistinguishable Fermi particles

$$\Psi(1,2) = -\Psi(2,1)$$

Typically, we can write $\Psi(1,2) = \psi_{space}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)\psi_{spin}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$

\Rightarrow If $\psi_{space}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \psi_{space}(\mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_1)$ then $\psi_{spin}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = -\psi_{spin}(\sigma_2, \sigma_1)$ ($S = 0$)

\Rightarrow If $\psi_{space}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = -\psi_{space}(\mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_1)$ then $\psi_{spin}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = \psi_{spin}(\sigma_2, \sigma_1)$ ($S = 1$)

How can we analyze this in second quantization?

How do you calculate total spin in second quantization?

$$S_z = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2)$$

Possible total spin S=1 states:

$$|D\rangle = c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger |0\rangle \quad \rightarrow \langle S_z \rangle = 1$$

$$|E\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger - c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger) |0\rangle \quad \rightarrow \langle S_z \rangle = 0$$

$$|F\rangle = c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle \quad \rightarrow \langle S_z \rangle = -1$$

Need to show that

$$\langle E | (S_x^2 + S_y^2 + S_z^2) | E \rangle = 2$$

Remember, we are dealing with two spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles. For now, label these s_a and s_b
The quantum mechanical two particle spin operator

$$\mathbf{S}_{op}^2 = (s_{a\ op} + s_{b\ op})^2 = s_{a\ op}^2 + s_{b\ op}^2 + (2s_{az\ op}s_{bz\ op} + s_{a+\ op}s_{b-\ op} + s_{a-\ op}s_{b+\ op})$$

where $s_{a+\ op}|\uparrow\rangle = 0$ and $s_{a-\ op}|\uparrow\rangle = \frac{1}{2}|\downarrow\rangle$ etc.

Note that: $(s_{a+\ op}s_{b-\ op} + s_{a-\ op}s_{b+\ op})|E\rangle = \frac{2}{4}\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger - c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle = |E\rangle$

$$|D\rangle = c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger |0\rangle \quad \langle D|S_{op}^2|D\rangle = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{4} = 2$$

$$|E\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger - c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger)|0\rangle \quad \langle E|S_{op}^2|E\rangle = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{4} = 2$$

$$|F\rangle = c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle \quad \langle F|S_{op}^2|F\rangle = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{4} = 2$$