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Angular momentum operators :-

$$L_x = i\hbar \left(y \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - z \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} L_+ = L_x + iL_y \\ L_- = L_x - iL_y \end{array} \right\}$$

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

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

$$\hat{L}^2 = L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2$$

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + V(r)$$

$$\hat{H}\psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{2mr^2} \hat{L}^2 \psi + V(r)\psi$$

$$[\hat{H}, L_x] = [\hat{H}, L_y] = [\hat{H}, L_z] = [\hat{H}, \hat{L}^2] = 0$$

$$[\hat{L}^2, L_x] = [\hat{L}^2, L_y] = [\hat{L}^2, L_z] = 0$$

\Rightarrow Eigenstates of \hat{L}^2 and \hat{L}_z can be taken to be eigenstates of \hat{H} .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} L_z \Psi_{\lambda, m} = m\hbar \Psi_{\lambda, m} \\ \hat{L}^2 \Psi_{\lambda, m} = \lambda \hbar^2 \Psi_{\lambda, m} \end{array} \right\} (\text{or } \lambda = l(l+1))$$

$$\hat{H}\psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\lambda \hbar^2}{2mr^2} \psi + V(r)\psi$$

\Rightarrow Solutions with energy $E_{n, l}$ as $\Psi_{n, \lambda, m}$

What we proved based on the L_x, L_y, L_z commutation relations and the positivity of the norm —

$$\lambda = l(l+1)$$

$l = \text{integer or half integer} + \frac{1}{2}$

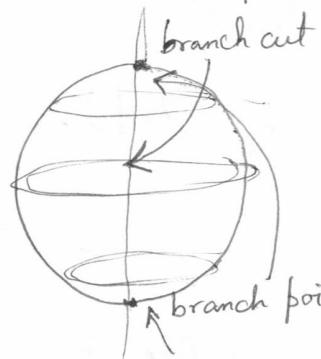
$$m = -l, -l+1, \dots, l-1, l.$$

But, we proved more $\Rightarrow L_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$

$(m \rightarrow \text{integer})$

$$\text{If } \Psi = e^{im\phi} f(r, \theta)$$

and $m = \text{half-integer}$



* If we want Ψ to be non-singular, $m = \text{integer}$ only at $\theta = 0, \pi$

$$\Psi_{n,\lambda,m} = e^{im\phi} f_{n,\lambda,m}(r, \theta)$$

$$\hat{L}^2 \Psi = \hbar^2 \left\{ -\frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta} \right) \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hbar^2 \left\{ \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta} f_{n,\lambda,m} - \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial f_{n,\lambda,m}}{\partial \theta} \right) \right\} \\ = \hbar^2 l(l+1) f_{n,\lambda,m}$$

$$x = \cos \theta$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left((1-x^2) \frac{\partial f_{n,\lambda,m}}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} f_{n,\lambda,m}} \\ = l(l+1) f_{n,\lambda,m}$$

Solutions : $P_l^m(x) \times [\text{Associated Legendre Polynomials}]$
 $g_{n,\lambda}(r)$

Legendre polynomials

$$P_l(x) = P_l^{m=0}(x)$$

$$\underbrace{-\frac{d}{dx} \left((1-x^2) \frac{d P_l(x)}{dx} \right)}_{= l(l+1) P_l(x)}$$

$$Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = e^{im\phi} P_l^m(\cos \theta)$$

$$L_z Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = m \hbar Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\hat{L}^2 Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = \hbar^2 l(l+1) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\Psi_{n,l,m}(r, \theta, \phi) = g_{nl}(r) Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$[g$ is a solution to

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{dg}{dr} \right) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2mr^2} l(l+1) g(r) = E_{nl} g(r)$$

we know that, $\int \Psi_{n,l,m}(r, \theta, \phi)^* \Psi_{n',l',m'}(r, \theta, \phi) r^2 \sin \theta d\theta d\phi dr$

$$= \delta_{nn'} \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'}$$

$$= \int g_{n,l}(r)^* g_{n',l'}(r) r^2 dr \int \sin \theta d\theta d\phi Y_{lm}^*(\theta, \phi) Y_{l'm'}(\theta, \phi)$$

Normalize Y_{lm} 's such that

$$\int \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$\oint (Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi))^* Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$= f_{ll'} \delta_{mm'}$$

$$L_z = -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

$$L_+ = L_x + iL_y$$

$$= \hbar e^{i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right)$$

$$L_- = L_x - iL_y = \hbar e^{-i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right)$$

$$L_+ \Psi_{\lambda, m} = \cancel{\partial_\theta} \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} \Psi_{\lambda, m+1}$$

$$L_- \Psi_{\lambda, m} = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} \Psi_{\lambda, m-1}$$

$$L_+ \Psi_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} Y_{l,m+1}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$L_- \Psi_{lm}(\theta, \phi) = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} Y_{l,m-1}(\theta, \phi)$$

$$Y_{l,0} = P_l(\cos \theta)$$

$$Y_{l,1}(\theta, \phi) = \cancel{\hbar \sqrt{l(l+1)}} \frac{1}{\hbar \sqrt{l(l+1)}} e^{i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + i \cot \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right) P_l$$

$$= \frac{1}{\cancel{\hbar \sqrt{l(l+1)}}} e^{i\phi} \frac{\partial P_l(\cos \theta)}{\partial \theta}.$$

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{e^{i\phi} P_l^1(\cos \theta)}$$

$$\therefore P_l^1(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{l(l+1)}} \frac{\partial P_l(\cos \theta)}{\partial \theta}$$

Notation

$$\Psi_{n,l,m} \rightarrow |n, l, m\rangle$$

$$\langle \Psi_{n,l,m} | \Psi_{n',l',m'} \rangle = \langle n, l, m | n', l', m' \rangle$$

$$L_z |n, l, m\rangle = m\hbar |n, l, m\rangle$$

$$L_+ |n, l, m\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} |n, l, m+1\rangle$$

$$L_- |n, l, m\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} |n, l, m-1\rangle$$

General form

$$\hat{L}_i |n, l, m\rangle = \hbar \sum_{m'=-l}^l D_{m', m}^{l, i} |n, l, m'\rangle$$

some numbers

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} i = x, y, z \\ \text{or } +, -, z \end{array} \right\}$$

Commutation relations

$$[L_i, L_j] = i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} L_k$$

if $i, j \rightarrow x, y, z$, $f_{ijk} = \epsilon_{ijk}$

$$+ , - , \pm \text{ basis} \Rightarrow f_{z++} = 1$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [L_z, L_+] = \hbar L_+ \\ [L_z, L_-] = -\hbar L_- \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow f_{z++} = -i$$

$$\hat{L}_i \hat{L}_j |n, l, m\rangle = \hat{L}_i \hbar \sum_{m'=-l}^l D_{m', m}^{l, j} |n, l, m'\rangle$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{m'=-l}^l D_{m', m}^{l, j} \hbar \sum_{m''=-l}^l D_{m'', m'}^{l, i} |n, l, m''\rangle$$

$$= -\hbar^2 \sum_{m''=-l}^l \sum_{m'=-l}^l D_{m'', m'}^{l, i} D_{m', m}^{l, j} |n, l, m''\rangle$$

$$(D^{l, i} D^{l, j})_{m'', m} |n, l, m''\rangle$$

$$\text{Apply } \hat{L}_j \hat{L}_i \rightarrow (D^{l, j} D^{l, i})_{m'', m}$$

$$\text{so, } [L_i, L_j] = \hbar^2 \sum_{m''=-l}^l ([D^{l, i}, D^{l, j}])_{m'', m} |n, l, m''\rangle$$

$$i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} L_k |n, l, m\rangle$$

$$= i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} \hbar \sum_{m''=-l}^l D_{m'', m}^{l, k} |n, l, m''\rangle$$

$$= \hbar^2 \sum_{m''=-l}^l i \sum_k f_{ijk} D_{m'', m}^{l, k} |n, l, m''\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow ([D^{l, i}, D^{l, j}])_{m'', m}$$

$$= i \sum_k f_{ijk} D_{m'', n}^{l, k}$$

$$[D^{l,i}, D^{l,j}] = i \sum_k f_{ijk} D^{l,k}$$

The matrices $D^{l,i}$ form representation of the angular momentum algebra.

If $l=0$, $D^{l,i} = 0 \forall i$

(Trivial representation)

For $l=\frac{1}{2}$, $|n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle$ & $|n, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$

$$L_z |n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2} |n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

$$L_z |n, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = -\frac{\hbar}{2} |n, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

$$D^{\frac{1}{2}, z} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L_+ |n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle = 0$$

$$L_+ |n, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}+1) + \frac{1}{2}(1-\frac{1}{2})} |n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle \\ = \hbar |n, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

$$D^{\frac{1}{2}, +} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D^{\frac{1}{2}, -} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise (Do this for $l=1$ and verify the commutation relations)

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$$\hat{L}_i |n, l, m\rangle$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{m'=-l}^l D^{l,i} |n, l, m'\rangle$$

$$[\hat{L}_i, \hat{L}_j] = i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} \hat{L}_k$$

$$\Rightarrow [D^{l,i}, D^{l,j}] = i \sum_k f_{ijk} D^{l,k}. \quad (\text{Proved earlier})$$

$D^{l,i}$ form a representation of the algebra $[\hat{L}_i, \hat{L}_j] = i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} \hat{L}_k$.

Given any set of matrices $R^{i,\beta}$ such that

$[R^i, R^j] = i \sum_k f_{ijk} R^k$ we say that R^i 's form a representation.

Other representations ?

$$R^i = \begin{pmatrix} D^{l,i} & 0 \\ 0 & D^{l',i} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R^i R^j = \begin{pmatrix} D^{l,i} D^{l,j} & 0 \\ 0 & D^{l',i} D^{l',j} \end{pmatrix} \quad \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix}} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} AC & 0 \\ 0 & BD \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R^i R^i = \begin{pmatrix} D^{l,i} D^{l,i} & 0 \\ 0 & D^{l',i} D^{l',i} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore R^{k,i} R^{k,j} - R^{k,j} R^{k,i} = \begin{pmatrix} [D^{l,i}, D^{l,j}] & 0 \\ 0 & [D^{l',i}, D^{l',j}] \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} i \sum_k f_{ijk} D^{l,k} & 0 \\ 0 & i \sum_k f_{ijk} D^{l',k} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$= i \sum_k f_{ijk} \begin{pmatrix} D^{l,k} & 0 \\ 0 & D^{l',k} \end{pmatrix} \quad \left| \begin{pmatrix} A+B & 0 \\ 0 & C+D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & C \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \right.$$

* Trivial way to construct new representations.

[BLOCK DIAGONAL FORM]

Irreducible representations

A representation means

$\hat{L}_i \rightarrow R^i$ acting on some vector space.

We say a representation is irreducible if we can't form a representation by considering the action of R^i on a subspace of the vector space.

$$R^i = \begin{pmatrix} D^{l,i} & 0 \\ 0 & D^{l',i} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2l+1 + 2l'+1) \times (2l+1 + 2l'+1)$$

Dimension of vector
space

$\{$ this is reducible $\}$

$$\tilde{R}^i = U R^i U^{-1}. \quad R^i = \begin{pmatrix} D^{l,i} & 0 \\ 0 & D^{l',i} \end{pmatrix}$$

$U \rightarrow$ arbitrary unitary matrix

$$\tilde{R}^i \tilde{R}^j = U R^i R^j U^{-1} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{This is also} \\ \text{a representation.} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\tilde{R}^j \tilde{R}^i = U R^j R^i U^{-1}$$

$$\therefore [\tilde{R}^i, \tilde{R}^j] = U [R^i, R^j] U^{-1}$$

$$= i \sum_k f_{ijk} \tilde{R}^k$$

Previously, a subspace of the form $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{2s+1} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ could be taken

Now, we can choose $\cup \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{2s+1} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ as the subspace.

\tilde{R} is also a reducible representation.

L_+, L_- form an irreducible representation.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} [L_i, A_s] &= B_i \\ [L_i, B_j] &= C_{ij} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Consider instead a set of operators } A_1, \dots, A_n \text{ such that}$$

$$[L_i, \hat{A}_s] = \hbar \sum_{s'=1}^n M_{s's}^i \hat{A}_{s'}$$

$$[\hat{L}_i, [\hat{L}_j, \hat{A}_s]] = [\hat{L}_i, \hbar \sum_{s'} M_{s's}^j \hat{A}_{s'}]$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{s'} M_{s's}^j [\hat{L}_i, \hat{A}_{s'}]$$

$$= \hbar^2 \sum_{s'} M_{s's}^j \sum_{s''} M_{s''s'}^i \hat{A}_{s''}$$

$$= \hbar^2 \sum_{s''} (M^i M^j)_{s''s} \hat{A}_{s''}$$

$$[\hat{L}_i, [\hat{L}_j, \hat{A}_s]] = - [\hat{L}_j, [\hat{L}_i, \hat{A}_s]]$$

$$= \hbar^2 \sum_{s''} [M^i, M^j]_{s''s} \hat{A}_{s''}$$

$$\Rightarrow = [[\hat{L}_i, \hat{L}_j], \hat{A}_s]. \quad (\text{By Jacobi Identity})$$

$$= i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} [L_k, A_s]$$

$$= i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} \sum_{s''} \hbar M_{s''s}^k A_{s''}$$

what do we get?

$$\sum_{s''} [M^i, M^j]_{s''s} A_{s''}$$

$$= i \sum_k f_{ijk} \sum_{s''} M_{s''s}^k A_{s''}$$

has to be true for all s + $A_{s''}$ are all independent operators. So, we obtain,

$$\Rightarrow [M^i, M^j] = i \sum_k f_{ijk} M^k$$

s'' & s sum from 1 to n

A_1, \dots, A_n form an irreducible representation if M^i 's form an irreducible representation.

$(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ form a representation

$$[L_z, \hat{x}] = +i\hbar \hat{y}$$

$$[L_z, \hat{y}] = -i\hbar \hat{x}$$

$$[L_z, z] = 0.$$

$x \quad y \quad z$

$$M^z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

irreducible

$x \quad y \quad z$

$\lambda = 1$ representation

$$x^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (x + iy) \quad \left. \right\} \text{(change of basis)}$$

$$x^- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (x - iy)$$

$$[L_z, x^+] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (i\hbar y + \hbar x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hbar (x + iy)$$

$$= \hbar x^+$$

$$[L_z, x^-] = -\hbar x^-, [L_z, z] = 0.$$

(can be easily checked!)

$$M^z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x}^2, \hat{y}^2, \hat{z}^2, (\hat{x}\hat{y} + \hat{y}\hat{x}),$$

$$\underline{\hat{x}^2, \hat{y}^2, \hat{z}^2, (\hat{x}\hat{y} + \hat{y}\hat{x})}, \quad \downarrow$$

$$(\hat{x}^+)^2, x^+ z, (x^+ x^- + x^- x^+), z^2, x^- z, (\hat{x}^-)^2$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} [L_z, (x^+)^2] = 2\hbar (x^+)^2 \\ [L_z, x^+ z] = \hbar x^+ z \\ [L_z, x^+ x^- + x^- x^+] = 0 \\ [L_z, z^2] = 0 \\ [L_z, x^- z] = -\hbar x^- z \\ [L_z, (x^-)^2] = -2\hbar (x^-)^2 \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \lambda = 2 \& \lambda = 0 \\ \text{2 times reducible} \\ \boxed{D^{L=2} \oplus D^{L=0}} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} +2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & +1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose, L_z eigenvalues are -

n_1 eigenvalue $= 10 \hbar$

n_2 eigenvalue -

$$n_5 \longrightarrow -5 \hbar$$

$$n_4 \longrightarrow -4 \hbar$$

$$n_3 \longrightarrow -3 \hbar$$

$$n_2 \longrightarrow -2 \hbar$$

$$n_1 \longrightarrow -\hbar$$

$$n_0 \longrightarrow 0$$

$$n_{-1} \longrightarrow \hbar$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\vdots$$

$$5\hbar$$

no times reducible

$\ell = 5 \xrightarrow{\text{appears}} n_5$ times

$\ell = 4 \xrightarrow{\text{appears}} (n_4 - n_5)$ "

$\ell = 3 \xrightarrow{\text{appears}} (n_3 - n_4)$ "

$\ell = 2 \xrightarrow{\text{appears}} (n_2 - n_3)$ "

$\ell = 1 \xrightarrow{\text{appears}} (n_1 - n_2)$ "

$\ell = 0 \xrightarrow{\text{appears}} (n_0 - n_1)$ "

$\boxed{n_0}$

(*) Speciality of angular momentum algebra. ($SU(2)$)
rotation group.)

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Tutorial :- (Prof. A. Sen)

$$[L_i, L_j] = i\hbar \sum_k f_{ijk} L_k.$$

Representation \rightarrow Collection of matrices $R_{s's}^i$ such that

$$[R_s^i, R_s^j] = i \sum_k f_{ijk} R_s^k$$

$$[L_i, A_s] = \hbar \sum_{s'=1}^n R_{s's}^i A_{s'}$$

$$[R_s^i, R_s^j] = i \sum_k f_{ijk} R_s^k. \quad \left. \right\} (v)$$

(R^i)

$B_i \rightarrow$ linear combination of A_1, \dots, A_n

$B_m : m < n$

If (R^i) is a representation and we can find a smaller set of operators under which the operation is closed, (R^i) is reducible.

$$R_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R^2 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$R^3 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow L^1, L^2, L^3$$

But (R^i) 's form a reducible representation.

Consider the matrices

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} U R^x U^{-1} = \tilde{R}^x \\ U R^y U^{-1} = \tilde{R}^y \\ U R^z U^{-1} = \tilde{R}^z \end{array} \right\}$$

Diagonalize R^z

$$R^z = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(By using some U).

$$D^i \quad R^i = \begin{pmatrix} D^{i,i+1} & & & \\ & D^{i+1,i+2} & & \\ & & D^{i+2,i+3} & \\ & & & D^{i+3,i} \end{pmatrix}$$

(collection of irreducible representations).

$$R^z = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta_1} & & & \\ & e^{i\theta_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & e^{i\theta_n} \end{pmatrix} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

ordering of eigenvalues

R_z : n_2 eigenvalues of z^2

			1	}
n_1	"	"	0	
n_0	"	"	-1	
n_1	"	"	-2	
n_2	"	"		

$\ell = 2$
max.

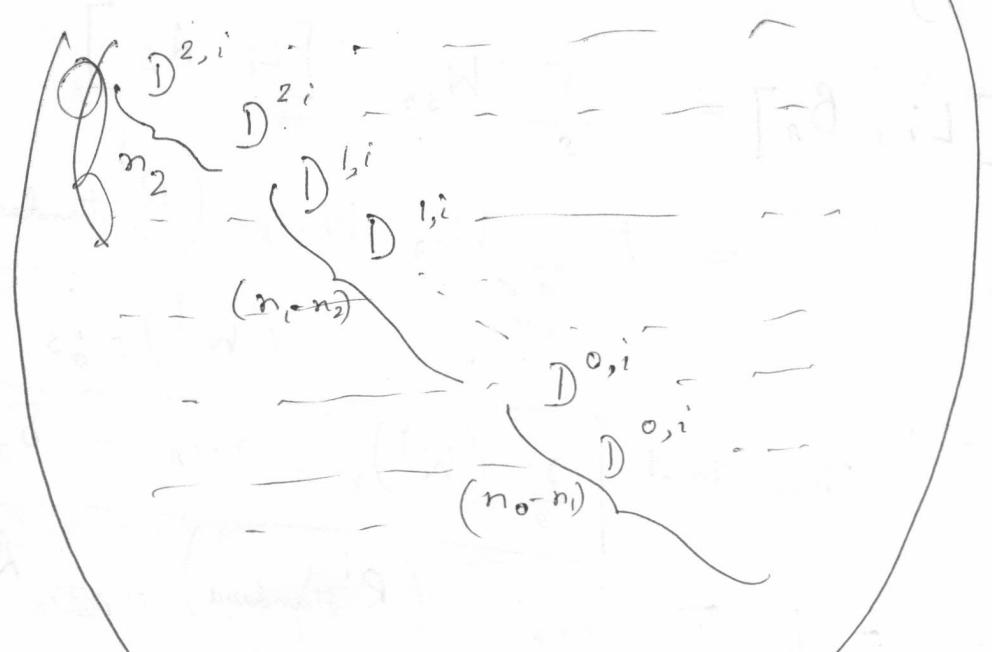
$\ell = 2 \Rightarrow n_2$ times

$(\ell = 1) \rightarrow (n_1 - n_2)$ times

$(\ell = 0) \rightarrow (n_0 - n_1)$ "

①

$R^z =$



Unitary representations :-

- ① Hermitian operators go to Hermitian matrices.

R^x, R^y, R^z are hermitian matrices.

$$(R^z)^\dagger = R^z, \quad (R^+)^\dagger = R^-.$$

(not hermitian)

$$[L_i, A_s] = \hbar \sum_{s'=1}^n R_{s's}^i A_{s'}$$

$$R_i = W(R^i)_{\text{standard}} W^{-1}$$

$$= W(R^i)_{\text{standard}} W^\dagger$$

$$[L_i, A_s] = \hbar \sum_{s'} (W R_{\text{standard}}^i W^\dagger)_{s's} A_{s'}$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{s', s'', s'''} W_{s's''} (R_{\text{standard}}^i)_{s''s'''} (W^\dagger)_{s''', s} A_{s'}$$

$$\text{Define } B_{s''} = \sum_{s'} W_{s's''} A_{s'}$$

$$[L_i, B_r] = \sum_s W_{sr} [L_i, A_s]$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{s', s'', s'''} W_{sr} W_{s's''} (R_{\text{standard}}^i)_{s''s'''} (W^\dagger)_{s'''s} A_{s'}$$

Note that $\boxed{\sum_s (W^\dagger)_{s'''s} W_{sr} = \delta_{rs'''}}$

$$= \hbar \sum_{s', s''} W_{s's''} (R_{\text{standard}}^i)_{s''r} A_{s'}$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{s''} B_{s''} (R_{\text{standard}}^i)_{s''r} A_{s'}$$

$$[L_i, B_r] = \hbar \sum_{s''} B_{s''} (R_{\text{standard}}^i)_{s''r} A_{s'}$$

$$R^z, R^\pm \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [R^z, R^+] = R^+ \\ [R^z, R^-] = -R^- \\ [R^+, R^-] = 2R_z \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{matrices} \\ R^z \text{ is a Hermitian matrix} \end{array}$$

* One can always diagonalize (R^z) .

→ Choose a basis in which R^z is diagonal.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Define } R^2 &= R_x^2 + R_y^2 + R_z^2 \\ &= R_z^2 + \frac{1}{2}(R_+ R_- + R_- R_+) \end{aligned}$$

(Hermitian matrix)

$$[R^2, R_z] = 0. \quad (\text{can be proved})$$

* We can simultaneously diagonalize R^2 and R_z by same basis transformation.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_z v_m = m v_m \\ R^2 v_m = \lambda v_m \end{array} \right\} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_+ v_m = \sqrt{\lambda - m(m+1)} v_{m+1} \\ \lambda = l(l+1) \rightarrow \text{as proved earlier} \end{array} \right.$$

These matrices are just the D^l 's.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} (v_1, v_2) & (R_+ v_1, v_2) \\ = v_1^\dagger v_2 & = (v_1, R_- v_2) \end{array} \right. \quad \lambda = l(l+1)$$

In this subspace

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_+ v_{l,m} \\ = \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m-1)} v_{l,m-1} \\ = \sum_{m'} D_{m',m}^{l,-} v_{l,m'} \end{array} \right\} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} = \sqrt{l(l+1) - m(m+1)} v_{l,m+1} \\ = \sum_{m'} D_{m',m}^{l,+} v_{l,m'} \end{array} \right\}$$

R_x, R_y, R_z

$$R_z : \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad u_0, v_0$$

$u_0^T v_0 = 0, u_0^T u_0 = 1$
 $= v_0^T v_0$

$$R_z u_0 = 0, R_z v_0 = 0$$

$$R^2 u_0 = 2u_0, R^2 v_0 = 2v_0$$

$u_0 \text{ & } v_0 \text{ are 2-d vectors}$

Define $u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1(1+1) - 0(0+1)}} R_+ u_0$

$u_{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1(1+1) - 0(0+1)}} R_- u_0$

② $\left[\begin{array}{l} v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} R_+ v_0 \\ v_{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} R_- v_0 \end{array} \right]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1, u_0, u_{-1} \\ v_{-1}, v_0, v_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D^{1,i} & \\ & D^{1,i} \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{-1}, u_0, u_1, v_{-1}, v_0, v_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} R_i u_m = \sum_{m'} D_{m', m}^{1, i} u_{m'} \\ R_i v_m = \sum_{m'} D_{m', m}^{1, i} v_{m'} \end{array} \right\}$$

Choose a new basis with basis vectors

$$(u_1, u_0, u_{-1}, v_1, v_0, v_{-1})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} D^{1,i} & 0 \\ 0 & D^{1,i} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}$$

Consider x^i, p^j bilinears
 $g = 5 + 3 + 1$

$$x^+, x^-, \cancel{x}, p^+, p^-, p_z$$

$$[L_z, x^+ p^+] = 2\hbar x^+ p^+$$

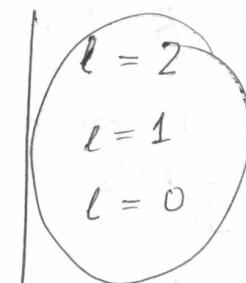
$$[L_z, x^+ p_z] = \hbar x^+ p_z$$

$$[L_z, z p^+] = \hbar z p^+$$

$$[L_z, x^+ p^-] = 0$$

$$[L_z, x^- p^+] = 0$$

$$[L_z, z p_z] = 0$$



$$\boxed{l=1}$$

$$(x^+ p^- + x^- p^+ + z p_z)$$

$$(x^+ p_z + z p^+)$$

$$(x^- p_z + z p^-)$$

$$L_z = 0 \text{ of } l=1 \text{ state}$$

$$\text{const. } (x^+ p^- - x^- p^+) \rightarrow L_z = 0$$

$$(L^+ \times \cancel{L^-}) + (L^- \times \cancel{L^+})$$

$$L_z = 1 \text{ component of } l=1 \text{ state}$$

$$\text{const. } (x^+ p_z - z p^+) \rightarrow$$

state
symmetric

$$L_z = -1 \text{ component of } l=1 \text{ state}$$

$$\text{const. } (x^- p_z - z p^-) \rightarrow$$

$L_z = 0$
(rotationally symmetric)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_s \quad s = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \\ [L_i, A_s] = \hbar \sum_{s'=\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} D_{s's}^{\frac{1}{2}, i} A_{s'} \\ [L_i, B_s] = \hbar \sum_{s'=\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} D_{s', s}^{\frac{1}{2}, i} B_{s'} \end{array} \right\}$$

Construct

$$A_s \quad B_n$$

4-dimensional representation

$$\begin{array}{|c|} s = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \\ n = \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

Find the $D^{l,s}$

$$[L_i, A_s B_n] = \hbar \sum_{s'n'} R_{s'n'sn}^i A_{s'} B_{n'}$$

Find the particular linear combinations which

transform according to the $D^{l,s}$.

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Quantum Mechanics :-

$$\begin{aligned} l=1 & \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} m=1 & A_{\frac{1}{2}} B_{\frac{1}{2}} \\ m=0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(A_{\frac{1}{2}} B_{-\frac{1}{2}} + A_{-\frac{1}{2}} B_{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \\ m=-1 & A_{-\frac{1}{2}} B_{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{array} \right. \\ l=0, m=0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(A_{\frac{1}{2}} B_{\frac{1}{2}} - A_{-\frac{1}{2}} B_{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Results of
problem given
in previous
tutorial

$$\sum_{m_1, m_2} W_m^{l, l_1, l_2} A_{l_1, m_1} B_{l_2, m_2} = Q_{l, m}$$

$m_1 + m_2 = m$ such that these operators transform by the matrix D^l .

Find the W 's for

$$A_{l_1 m_1} B_{l_2 m_2} = \sum_{l, m} V_{m_1 m_2}^{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l, m}$$

(one can invert the relations)

For the earlier example,

$$A_{\frac{1}{2}} B_{\frac{1}{2}} = \delta_{1,1}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (A_{\frac{1}{2}} B_{-\frac{1}{2}} + A_{-\frac{1}{2}} B_{\frac{1}{2}}) = \delta_{1,0}$$

and - - - .

$$A_{l_1 m_1} |n_2 l_2 m_2\rangle$$

$$\hat{L}_i A_{l_1 m_1} |n_2 l_2 m_2\rangle = [\hat{L}_i, A_{l_1 m_1}] |n_2 l_2 m_2\rangle + A_{l_1 m_1} \hat{L}_i |n_2 l_2 m_2\rangle$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{m'_1} D_{m'_1 m_1}^{l_1, i} A_{l_1 m'_1} |n_2 l_2 m_2\rangle + \hbar \sum_{m'_2} D_{m'_2 m_2}^{l_2, i} A_{l_1 m'_1} |n_2 l_2 m'_2\rangle$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{m'_1, m'_2} \left(D_{m'_1 m_1}^{l_1, i} \delta_{m'_2 m_2} + \delta_{m'_1 m_1} D_{m'_2 m_2}^{l_2, i} \right) A_{l_1 m'_1} |n_2 l_2 m'_2\rangle$$

Compare with $[\hat{L}_i, A_{l_1 m_1} B_{l_2 m_2}]$

$$= [\hat{L}_i, A_{l_1 m_1}] B_{l_2 m_2} + A_{l_1 m_1} [\hat{L}_i, B_{l_2 m_2}]$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{m'_1, m'_2} \left(D_{m'_1 m_1}^{l_1, i} \delta_{m'_2 m_2} + \delta_{m'_1 m_1} D_{m'_2 m_2}^{l_2, i} \right) \times A_{l_1 m'_1} B_{l_2 m'_2}$$

① The matrices are the same.

Action of \hat{L}_i acting on product of two operators
is similar to the action on $A |n l m\rangle$.

$$[L_i, A_{l,m}] = \sum_{m'} D_{m'm}^{l,i} A_{l,m'}$$

Take $A_{l,m} |n, l=0, m=0\rangle$ (spherically symmetric state)

$$L_i A_{l,m} |n, l=0, m=0\rangle$$

$$= [L_i, A_{l,m}] |n, l=0, m=0\rangle$$

$$= \hbar \sum_{m'} D_{m'm}^{l,i} \underbrace{(A_{l,m'} |n, l=0, m=0\rangle)}_{\text{state with angular momentum numbers } \boxed{l, m}}$$

Wigner - Eckart Theorem :-

$$\langle n, l, m | A_{l,m_1} | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle \xrightarrow{\text{reduced matrix elements}} \underbrace{\langle n, l || A_l || n_2, l_2 \rangle}_{\text{symbol}}$$

some function of n_1, n_2, l_1, l_2, l

~~Clebsch-Gordan~~ Gordon coefficients and the operator A .

Proof :- $\langle n, l, m | A_{l,m_1} | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle$

$$\langle n, l, m | = N_{lm} (L_+)^{m+l} | n, l-l \rangle$$

normalisation

$$= N_{lm}^* \langle n, l, -l | (L_-)^{m+l} A_{l,m_1} | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle$$

$$m = m_1 + m_2$$

Check with (L_z)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_{m_1 m_2}^{l_1 l_2} = 0 \text{ unless} \\ m = m_1 + m_2 \end{array} \right\}$$

Take $m = m_1 + m_2$

right from the beginning.

$$= N_{l,m}^* \langle n, l, -l | (L_-)^{m+l-1} \left\{ [L_-, A_{l,m_1}] | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle + A_{l,m_1} L_- | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle \right\}$$

$$= N_{l,m}^* \langle n, l, -l | L_-^{m+l-1} \left\{ \hbar \sqrt{l_1(l+1) - m_1(m_1-1)} A_{l_1, m_1-1} | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle + \hbar \sqrt{l_2(l_2+1) - m_2(m_2-1)} A_{l_2, m_2-1} | n_2, l_2, m_2-1 \rangle \right\}$$

Repeat this process

$$\langle n, l, -l | \sum_{m'_1, m'_2} K(l, m, l_1, m_1, l_2, m_2, m'_1, m'_2) A_{l_1, m'_1} | n_2, l_2, m'_2 \rangle$$

Halfway through!

$$m'_1 + m'_2 = m_1 + m_2 = -l.$$

$$\begin{aligned} | n_2, l_2, m'_2 \rangle &= \tilde{N}_{l_2, m'_2} (L_+)^{m'_2 + l_2} | n_2, l_2, -l_2 \rangle \\ \langle n, l, -l | A_{l_1, m'_1} (L_+) &\quad m'_2 + l_2 | n_2, l_2, -l_2 \rangle \\ &= \left([A_{l_1, m'_1}, L_+] + L_+ A_{l_1, m'_1} \right) L_+^{m'_2 + l_2 - 1} \\ &= -\hbar \sqrt{l_1(l_1+1) - m'_1(m'_1+1)} A_{l_1, m'_1+1} + 0. \end{aligned}$$

Keep doing this

$$A_{l_1, m'_1 + m'_2 + l_2} = A_{l_1, l_2 - l}$$

At the end

$$\langle n, l, -l | A_{l_1, l_2 - l} | n_2, l_2, -l_2 \rangle$$

$$\times \sum_{m'_1, m'_2} f(l, m, l_1, m_1, l_2, m'_1, m'_2)$$

reduced matrix element

$$\Rightarrow C_{l-l_1, l_2} \times \langle n_l || A_{l_1} || n_2, l_2 \rangle$$

$$\frac{C_{000}'''}{C_{01-1}'''} = ?$$

⊗

$\langle n, 1, 0 | A_{1,0} | n_2, 1, 0 \rangle$
 $\overline{\langle n, 1, 0 | A_{1,1} | n_2, 1, -1 \rangle}$

$- [L_-, A_{1,1}] | n_2, 1, -1 \rangle$
 $+ L_- A_{1,1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} L_- | n_2, 1, 0 \rangle$

$\langle n, 1, 0 | A_{1,0} | n_2, 1, 0 \rangle$
 $\overline{\langle n, 1, 0 | A_{1,1} | n_2, 1, -1 \rangle}$

$\langle n, 1, 0 | A_{1,0}, n_2, 1, 0 \rangle$
 $\overline{\langle n, 1, -1 | L_- \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} A_{1,0} | n_2, 1, 0 \rangle}$

\otimes
 $= \langle n, 1, -1 | \{ \begin{matrix} \cancel{A_{1,-1}} \\ + A_{1,0} \end{matrix} \} | n_2, 1, 0 \rangle$

$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle n, 1, -1 | \{ \begin{matrix} \cancel{A_{1,-1}} \\ + A_{1,0} \end{matrix} \} | n_2, 1, -1 \rangle$
 \downarrow

$\text{write as } \sqrt{2} A_{1,-1} \frac{L_+}{\sqrt{2}} | n_2, 1, -1 \rangle$
 $\langle n_2, 1, -1 \rangle$

$= -\sqrt{2} A_{1,0} | n_2, 1, -1 \rangle$
 $= [L_+, A_{1,-1}] + L_+ A_{1,0}$

$= 0. \quad (\text{Lucky !})$

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Collection of results

① $\langle n, l, m | A_{l,m} | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle$

W-E Theorem

$= C_{m_1 m_2}^{l_1 l_2} \underbrace{\langle n, l | A_{l,m} | n_2, l_2 \rangle}_{\text{universal coefficients}}$

② If we consider the set of operators

$A_{l_1 m_1} B_{l_2 m_2}$ for $-l_1 \leq m_1 \leq l_1$ &
 $-l_2 \leq m_2 \leq l_2$

can be rearranged as

$$C_{\ell m} = \sum_{m_1, m_2} W(\ell_1, m_1, \ell_2, m_2; \ell, m) A_{\ell_1 m_1} B_{\ell_2 m_2}$$

such that $[L_i, C_{\ell m}] = \hbar \sum_{m'} D_{m'm}^{\ell, i} C_{\ell m'}$

(irreducible representation)

$(2\ell_1 + 1)(2\ell_2 + 1)$ → operators in the beginning

$$= \boxed{\sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1)} \rightarrow \text{operators in the end}$$

- Think of W as a matrix where m_1, m_2 are the rows and ℓ_1, ℓ_2 are the columns.

[W is $(2\ell_1 + 1) \times (2\ell_2 + 1) \times (2\ell_1 + 1)(2\ell_2 + 1)$ dimensional matrix.]

$$V = W^{-1} \text{ (say)} = W^\dagger \quad (W \text{ is unitary})$$

$$\sum_{\substack{\ell_1 \\ \ell_2}} v(\ell, m; \ell_1, m_1, \ell_2, m_2) W(\ell_1, m_1, \ell_2, m_2; \ell', m')$$

$$\begin{matrix} m_1 = -\ell_1 \\ m_2 = -\ell_2 \end{matrix} = \delta_{\ell\ell'} \delta_{mm'}$$

- Left and right inverses are the same

$$A_{\ell_1 m_1} B_{\ell_2 m_2} = \sum_{\ell, m} v(\ell, m; \ell_1, m_1, \ell_2, m_2) C_{\ell m}.$$

$$A_{\ell_1 m_1} |n_2, \ell_2, m_2\rangle$$

$$\# \sum_{m_1, m_2} W(\ell_1, m_1, \ell_2, m_2; \ell, m) A_{\ell_1 m_1} |n_2, \ell_2, m_2\rangle$$

$$= |n_2, (A), \ell, m\rangle$$

$$A_{l,m} \left| n_2, l_2, m_2 \right\rangle = \sum_{l',m'} V(l',m'; l_1, m_1, l_2, m_2) \left| n_2, (A), l', m' \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle n, l, m \mid A_{l,m} \right| n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{l',m'} V(l',m'; l_1, m_1, l_2, m_2) \left\langle n, l, m \mid n_2(A), l', m' \right\rangle = \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'} f(n, n_2, (A))$$

depends on n_2 & A

$$\left\langle n, l, m \mid n_2, (A), l, m-1 \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle n, l, m-1 \mid L - n_2, (A), l, m \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle n, l, m \mid n_2, (A), l, m \right\rangle$$

$$\therefore C_{m m_1 m_2}^{l l_1 l_2} \left\langle n_2, l \parallel A_{l_1} \parallel n_2, l_2 \right\rangle$$

$$= V(l, m ; l_1, m_1, l_2, m_2) f(n, n_2, (A), l)$$

We can fix the normalisation of $C_{m m_1 m_2}^{l l_1 l_2}$ by taking

$$C_{m m_1 m_2}^{l l_1 l_2} = V(l, m ; l_1, m_1, l_2, m_2) = W(l_1, m_1, l_2, m_2 ; l, m)$$

$$l = ?$$

We know that

$$\sum_l (2l+1) = (2l_1+1)(2l_2+1)$$

$l_1 + l_2$: once

$l_1 + l_2 - 1$: twice

$-l_2$ $l_1 + l_2 - 2$: thrice

Allowed l values

$$l_1 + l_2, l_2 + l_1 - 1, \dots, |l_1 - l_2|$$

$$2l_1 (2l_2 + 1)$$

$$\sum_{l_1-l_2}^{l_1+l_2} (2l+1) = 2 \frac{(l_1+l_2)(l_1+l_2+1)}{2} + k(l_2+1)$$

$$= (2l_1+1)(2l_2+1)$$

$$\langle n, l, m | A_{l_1, m_1} | n_2, l_2, m_2 \rangle$$

See Clebsch-Gordan coefficients

$$= \langle n, l, -l | A_{l_1, l_2-l} | n_2, l_2, -l_2 \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow l_1 \geq |l_2 - l|$$

$$-l_1 \leq l_2 - l \leq l_1$$

$$\text{Add } l + l_1 \text{ on both sides} \quad \text{Add } l - l_1 \text{ on both sides}$$

$$l_0 \leq l_1 + l_2$$

$$l \geq l_2 - l_1$$

$$A_{l_1, l_2-l} = [L_+, [L_+, [L_+, \dots, A_{l_1, -l_1}]]]$$

x constant

$$\downarrow \langle n, l, -l | A_{l_1, -l_1} | l_2 - l + l_1, n_2, l_2, l_1 - l \rangle$$

$$-l_2 \leq l_1 - l \leq l_2 \quad (\text{constraint})$$

$$l \geq l_1 - l_2$$

$$l \leq l_1 + l_2$$

See next page!