

1. Show that the curve

$$r = |Y_1^1(\theta, 0)|$$

represents two circles in the  $xz$ -plane.

2. Show that spherical harmonics  $Y_m^l(\theta, \varphi)$  can be written in terms of the harmonic polynomials as

a)  $Y_0^0(\theta, \varphi) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4\pi}}.$

b)  $rY_0^1(\theta, \varphi) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} z,$

$$rY_{\pm 1}^1(\theta, \varphi) = \mp \sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} (x \pm iy).$$

c)  $r^2Y_0^2(\theta, \varphi) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{16\pi}} (2z^2 - x^2 - y^2),$

$$r^2Y_{\pm 1}^2(\theta, \varphi) = \mp \sqrt{\frac{15}{8\pi}} z(x \pm iy),$$

$$r^2Y_{\pm 2}^2(\theta, \varphi) = \sqrt{\frac{15}{32\pi}} (x \pm iy)^2.$$

3. Construct the  $N = 2$  states for an isotropic harmonic oscillator in both Cartesian and spherical coordinates.
4. Write the harmonic oscillator energy eigenfunction  $\psi_{2,2,0}(r, \theta, \varphi)$  as a linear combination of the harmonic oscillator energy eigenfunctions  $\psi_{n_x n_y n_z}(x, y, z)$ .
5. Let us assume that a particle experiences the potential

$$V(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{2}m \left[ \omega_x^2 x^2 + \omega_y^2 y^2 + \omega_z^2 z^2 \right].$$

Determine the energy levels. After that, pick a couple of levels and determine their degeneracies when  $\omega_x = \omega_y = \omega_0$  and  $\omega_z = \omega_0 + \Delta$  (i.e. when  $\omega_x$  and  $\omega_y$  are equal and  $\omega_z$  differs from them).