

For Monday 10/22, read Griffiths' section 4.1.1 and turn in by 9:30 am:

1. Conceptual: What the limits of integration when you integrate over all space in spherical coordinates? Why?
2. Conceptual: Write the momentum operator in 3 dimensions in terms of unit vectors  $\hat{x}$ ,  $\hat{y}$ , and  $\hat{z}$ .
3. Conceptual: What variables can the potential energy in the schrodinger equation depend on (in other words,  $V$  in eq. 4.8 is generally a function of what)? Is equation 4.8 valid if  $V$  is a function of time? Why? Is equation 4.4 valid if  $V$  is a function of time? Why? In the derivation of equations 4.16 and 4.17 what is  $V$  a function of? What can't it be a function of?
4. Easy Math: Fill in any missing steps in the derivation of equations 4.16 and 4.17. Any questions?
5. Read problem 4.2. We will do this problem in class.
  - a. Conceptual: Set up the problem. Where do you start?
  - b. Math: How would the solution change if the box is not cubical? Say the particle is confined to:  $0 < x < a$  and  $0 < y < b$  and  $0 < z < c$ .

For Wednesday 10/24, read Griffiths section 4.1.2 and turn in by 9:30 am:

6. Conceptual: What are the possible values of  $m$ ? Why?
7. Conceptual: This time griffith's simply gives you the solution to a differential equation (4.26 solves 4.25). List some of the properties of these solutions.
8. Conceptual: Is equation 4.32 valid if  $V$  is a function of theta? Explain.
9. Easy math: Where does equation 4.30 come from? Explain.
10. Math: Use equations 4.27, 4.28, and 4.32 to construct  $Y_1^0$ ,  $Y_2^0$ , and  $Y_2^{-2}$ . Show that they are normalized and orthogonal. Show that they satisfy the differential equation 4.18.

"For realz" weekly homework due 9:30 am on Friday 10/26 is math problems from 10/19, 10/22 and 10/24.

For Friday 10/26, read Griffiths' section 4.1.3 and turn in by 9:30 am:

1. Conceptual: Mathematically, why doesn't the energy depend on  $m$ ?
2. Conceptual: The solution to the infinite spherical well potential consists of Bessel functions (eq. 4.47). What happened to the Neumann functions?
3. Conceptual: What is meant by  $\beta_{nl}$ ? Realistically, how would you solve for it?
4. Math: Consider  $u(r) = Arj_2(kr)$ .
  - a. Show that it satisfies the differential equation 4.41 with  $l=2$ .
  - b. Make a plot of this function.
  - c. Where is the first place the function goes to zero where  $x>0$ ?
  - d. What is  $n$ ? What does this mean for  $k$ ? What is the energy in terms of  $\hbar$ ,  $m$ , and  $a$ ?