

1. Show that in the xz -plane the curve

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

represents two circles.

2. Show that the 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 ω_x and ω_y are equal and ω_z differs from them).