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### Problem 3: Vector Spaces and Dirac Notation

Consider a quantum system that can be described by three basis states,  $|n\rangle$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3$ , and an operator defined by its action on these three states:

$$\begin{aligned} A|1\rangle &= -i\alpha|3\rangle \\ A|2\rangle &= \alpha|2\rangle \\ A|3\rangle &= i\alpha|1\rangle \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where  $\alpha$  is real.

(a) [2 pts] Write the operator  $A$  as a matrix using these basis states:

$$|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad |3\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2}$$

(b) [1 pt] Show that  $A$  is Hermitian.

(c) [3 pts] Compute the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of  $A$ .

(d) [2 pts] In your result for part (c), you found one non-degenerate eigenstate, call it  $|\gamma\rangle$ , with eigenvalue  $\gamma$ . The other eigenstates are degenerate.

Define the projection operator  $\mathcal{P}_\gamma = |\gamma\rangle\langle\gamma|$ . Write the operator  $\mathcal{P}_\gamma$  as a matrix using the basis states  $|1\rangle$ ,  $|2\rangle$ , and  $|3\rangle$ .

Check your results to show that this matrix form for the projection operator is correct.

(e) [2 pts] Consider the system in the state:

$$|\phi\rangle = \frac{2}{3}|1\rangle + \frac{2}{3}|2\rangle - \frac{i}{3}|3\rangle \tag{3}$$

Write down an expression for the probability that a measurement of  $A$  would result in the value  $\gamma$  in terms of the projection operator  $\mathcal{P}_\gamma$ . Solve for this probability.

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③  $A|1\rangle = -L\alpha|3\rangle$

$A|2\rangle = \alpha|2\rangle$

$A|3\rangle = L\alpha|1\rangle$

④  $A = \sum_{i,j} |i\rangle \langle i| A |j\rangle \langle j|$

~~matrix~~

	1	2	3
1	0	0	<del>matrix</del> $L\alpha$
2	0	$\alpha$	0
3	$-L\alpha$	0	0

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & L\alpha \\ 0 & \alpha & 0 \\ -L\alpha & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -L\alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

⑤  $A^+ =$  Row becomes Column  $\rightarrow$

0	0	$-L\alpha$
0	$\alpha$	0
$L\alpha$	0	0

$\rightarrow$  complex conjugate  $\rightarrow$  ☒

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$$\textcircled{C} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & i\alpha \\ 0 & \alpha - \lambda & 0 \\ -i\alpha & 0 & -\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow -\lambda(-\lambda(\alpha - \lambda)) - 0 + i\alpha(0 - (\alpha - \lambda)(-i\alpha)) = 0$$

$$= -\lambda(-\lambda\alpha + \lambda^2) + i\alpha(i\alpha^2 - i\alpha\lambda) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda^2\alpha - \lambda^3 - \alpha^3 + \alpha^2\lambda = 0$$

$$\rightarrow (\lambda^2\alpha - \lambda^3) + (\alpha^2\lambda - \alpha^3) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda^2(\alpha - \lambda) + \alpha^2(\lambda - \alpha) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow (\lambda^2 - \alpha^2)(\alpha - \lambda) = 0$$

$$\boxed{\lambda = \pm\alpha \quad \lambda = \alpha}$$

$$\underline{\lambda = -\alpha} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 & i\alpha \\ 0 & 2\alpha & 0 \\ -i\alpha & 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow B = 0$$

$$A\alpha = -i\alpha C \rightarrow C = Ai$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 & i\alpha \\ 0 & 2\alpha & 0 \\ -i\alpha & 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha \\ 0 \\ -i\alpha \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{|\lambda = -\alpha\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix}}$$

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C) Continued

$$\lambda = \alpha, 1 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha & 0 & i\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -i\alpha & 0 & -\alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \text{anything} \rightarrow B = 1$$

$$\boxed{|\lambda = \alpha, 1\rangle \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & i\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -i\alpha & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$\boxed{|\lambda = \alpha, 2\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}}$$

①  $P = |-\alpha\rangle\langle-\alpha|$

$$= \sum_{i,j} |i\rangle\langle i| \langle i|-\alpha\rangle\langle-\alpha|j\rangle\langle j|$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (100) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (010) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (001) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (100) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (100) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (100) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (100) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$$

① Continued

$$P \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{i}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P|1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{i}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \\ \frac{i}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

②  $|\phi\rangle = \frac{2}{3}|1\rangle + \frac{2}{3}|2\rangle - \frac{i}{3}|3\rangle$

$$|\phi\rangle = \cancel{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} |-\alpha\rangle \langle -\alpha| \phi\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1 \ 0 \ -i) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{i}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

$$= \cancel{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{18}}$$

⊖ as a check

$$|\psi\rangle = |-\alpha\rangle \langle -\alpha | \psi \rangle + |\alpha, 1\rangle \langle \alpha, 1 | \psi \rangle + |\alpha, 2\rangle \langle \alpha, 2 | \psi \rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |-\alpha\rangle + (0 \ 10) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} |\alpha, 1\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1 \ 0 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} |\alpha, 2\rangle$$

$$\frac{2}{3} |\alpha, 1\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{4}{2} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{9}{9} + \frac{4}{9} = \frac{13}{9}$$

$$\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{18} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$1 + 8 + 9$$

$$= 18 \checkmark$$

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## Problem 2: Quantum Operators

In this problem you will work with the ladder operators for angular momentum:

$$L_+ = L_x + iL_y, \quad L_- = L_x - iL_y \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} L^2 &= L_x^2 + L_y^2 + L_z^2 \\ L^2|\ell, m\rangle &= \ell(\ell+1)\hbar^2|\ell, m\rangle \\ L_z|\ell, m\rangle &= m\hbar|\ell, m\rangle \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

- (a) [1 pt] Show that the eigenvalues of any Hermitian operator are real.
- (b) [2 pt] Is the operator  $L_+L_-$ , the product of the angular momentum ladder operators, Hermitian? Show your work to justify your answer.
- (c) [4 pt] Determine the results of the operations:  $\hat{L}_+|\ell, m\rangle$  and  $\hat{L}_-|\ell, m\rangle$ . Show all of your work and make sure you determine all constants correctly.
- Hint: The commutation relation  $[L_z, L_\pm]$  and the matrix elements  $\langle \ell, m | L_\pm L_\mp | \ell, m \rangle$  might be useful.
- (d) [3 pt] Using the results from part (c), prove that  $-\ell \leq m \leq +\ell$ . Explain the physics of this result in terms of the operators  $L^2$  and  $L_z$ .

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(A) ~~where~~  $\langle a_j | H | a_i \rangle = a_i \langle a_j | a_i \rangle$

$$\langle a_j | H | a_i \rangle = a_j^* \langle a_j | a_i \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow (a_i - a_j^*) \underbrace{\langle a_j | a_i \rangle}_1 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{a_i = a_i^*}$$

eigenvalues are real

(B)  $L_+ L_- = (L_x + iL_y)(L_x - iL_y)$

$$= \cancel{L_x^2} L_x^2 - iL_x L_y + iL_y L_x + L_y^2$$

$$\boxed{\phantom{L_x^2 - L_y^2}}$$

$$i[L_y, L_x]$$

$$= -i i \hbar L_z$$

$$= \hbar L_z$$

$$= \underbrace{L_x^2 + L_y^2}_{L^2 - L_z^2} + \hbar L_z$$

$$= \underbrace{L^2 - L_z^2 + \hbar L_z}_{\text{All hermitian}} = \cancel{L_+ L_-} L_+ L_-$$



$$(c) [L_z, L_+] = L_z L_+ - L_+ L_z$$

(2)

~~$$L_+ L_z |l, m\rangle = L_z L_+ |l, m\rangle$$~~

~~$$L_z L_+ |l, m\rangle = L_+ L_z |l, m\rangle$$~~

~~$$L_z L_+ |l, m\rangle = L_+ L_z |l, m\rangle$$~~

~~$$= 0$$~~

$$[L_z, L_+] = [L_z, L_x + iL_y] = [L_z, L_x] + i[L_z, L_y]$$

$$= i\hbar L_y - i i \hbar L_x$$

$$= i\hbar L_y + \hbar L_x$$

$$L_z L_+ - L_+ L_z = \hbar J_+$$

$$L_z [L_+ |l, m\rangle] = \hbar [L_+ |l, m\rangle] + [L_+ L_z |l, m\rangle]$$

$$= \hbar(m+1) [L_+ |l, m\rangle]$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$$

$$\text{implies } L_+ |l, m\rangle = C |l, m+1\rangle$$

$$L_- L_+ = (L_x - iL_y)(L_x + iL_y) = L_x^2 + \underbrace{L_x L_y - L_y L_x}_{i\hbar L_z} + L_y^2$$

$$= L^2 - L_z^2 - \hbar L_z$$

$$\rightarrow \langle l, m | L_- L_+ | l, m \rangle = \langle l, m | L^2 - L_z^2 - \hbar L_z | l, m \rangle$$

$$= L^2 = l(l+1)\hbar^2 - \hbar^2 m^2 - \hbar^2 m$$

② (continued)

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$$l^2 + l - m^2 - m = l^2 + m + l - m^2 = (l-m)(l+m+1)$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{C_+ = \sqrt{(l-m)(l+m+1)} \hbar}$$

$$l^2 + \cancel{l+m} + l - \cancel{m}l - m^2 - m$$

$$\rightarrow [L_z, L_-] = [L_z, L_x - iL_y] = [L_z, L_x] - i[L_z, L_y]$$

$$= i\hbar L_y + i\hbar L_x$$

$$= i\hbar L_y - \hbar L_x$$

$$\rightarrow L_z L_- + L_- L_z = \hbar L_-$$

$$\rightarrow L_z [L_- |l, m\rangle] = \hbar [L_- |l, m\rangle] - \hbar L_z |l, m\rangle$$

$$= \hbar(m-1) [L_- |l, m\rangle]$$

$$\hookrightarrow L_- |l, m\rangle = \hbar |l, m-1\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow L_+ L_- = L^2 - L_z^2 - \hbar L_z$$

$$\rightarrow \langle l, m | L_+ L_- |l, m\rangle = \langle l, m | L^2 - L_z^2 - \hbar L_z |l, m\rangle$$

$$C_-^2 = l(l+1)\hbar^2 - L_z^2 + \hbar^2 m$$

$$\rightarrow l^2 + l - m^2 + m = l^2 + m + l - m^2$$

$$= (l+m)(l-m+1)$$

$$\boxed{C_- = \sqrt{(l+m)(l-m+1)} \hbar}$$

$$l^2 - \cancel{l+m} + l + \cancel{m}l - m^2 + m$$

(4)

(D)

$$\langle l, m | L_+ L_- + L_- L_+ | l, m \rangle$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ L^2 - L_z^2 + \hbar L_z & & L^2 - L_z^2 - \hbar L_z \end{array}$$

$$= 2 \langle l, m | L^2 - L_z^2 | l, m \rangle \geq 0$$

inner product

$$l(l+1) - m^2 \geq 0$$

$$l(l+1) \geq m^2$$

There is a max value of  $M$

$$J_+ | l, M_{\max} \rangle = 0$$

$$J_- J_+ | l, M_{\max} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow L^2 - L_z^2 + \hbar L_z = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l(l+1) - m^2 + m = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l(l+1) = m_{\max}(m_{\max} + 1)$$

min value as well

$$J_+ J_- | l, M_{\min} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow L^2 - L_z^2 - \hbar L_z = 0$$

$$l(l+1) - m_{\min}^2 - m_{\min}$$

$$l(l+1) = m_{\min}(m_{\min} + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\min}(m_{\min} - 1) = m_{\max}(m_{\max} + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\min} = -m_{\max}$$

$$-m_{\min}(m_{\max} + 1) = m_{\max}(m_{\max} + 1)$$

⑤ Continued

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Therefore  $-M_{\max} \leq M \leq M_{\max}$

$$M_{\max} = \cancel{M_{\min}} + \text{etc} = -M_{\max} + \text{etc}$$

$$\rightarrow M_{\max} = \frac{\text{etc}}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow l(l+1) = M_{\max}(M_{\max}+1)$$

$$l = M_{\max}$$

$$\neq l = \cancel{M_{\min}}$$

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### Problem 4: Measurement of Hermitian Observables: (10 Points)

Consider a system with three Hermitian observables that are represented in a three-dimensional Hilbert space using the orthonormal basis  $|e_1\rangle$ ,  $|e_2\rangle$  and  $|e_3\rangle$

with

$$|e_1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, |e_2\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, |e_3\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2i \\ 0 & -2i & 1 \end{pmatrix}, C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The system at time  $t=0$  is in the state:

$$|\Psi(0)\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}|e_1\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}|e_2\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|e_3\rangle$$

1. Find the eigenvalues and normalized eigenvectors of  $B$  and  $C$ . (1 Point)
2. Find the probability of measuring  $B$  at time  $t = 0$  with the eigenvalue  $b = 1$ , and then immediately measuring  $C$  and finding the eigenvalue  $c = 1$ , i.e. find  $P_{|\Psi(0)\rangle}(b = 1, c = 1)$ . (2 Points)
3. Now find the probability if these measurements are performed in reverse order at  $t = 0$ , i.e. find  $P_{|\Psi(0)\rangle}(c = 1, b = 1)$ . (2 Points)
4. Are the probabilities obtained in part 1. and part 2. the same or different? Explain in detail. (2 Points)
5. Use the Generalized Uncertainty Principle to determine a lower bound on  $\Delta B \Delta C$  for the system in the initial state  $|\Psi(0)\rangle$ . Discuss your results. (2 Points)
6. Discuss in detail, the conditions that would result in obtaining a lower bound of zero when using the Generalized Uncertainty Principle. Would you expect to get zero for a particular pair of the observables,  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  in this problem? Or for other conditions? (1 Point)

④ (A) For B

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 2i \\ 0 & -2i & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \phi = (1-\lambda)[(1-\lambda)^2 - 4]$$

max powers of  $\lambda = 3$ ,  
3 eigenvalues

$$\lambda = 1, -1, 3 = \text{eigenvalues}$$

$$\underline{\lambda = 1} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2i \\ 0 & -2i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \phi \rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} \phi = \phi \\ 2ic = \phi \\ -2ib = \phi \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} c, b = \phi \\ a = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = |a=1\rangle$$

$$\underline{\lambda = -1} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2i \\ 0 & -2i & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \phi \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 2a = \phi \\ 2b + 2ic = \phi \\ -2ib + 2c = \phi \end{array} \rightarrow c = ib$$

$$|a=-1\rangle \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \\ ib \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow (0 \ b \ -ib) \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b \\ ib \end{pmatrix} = b^2 + b^2 + b^2 = 1 \rightarrow b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\langle a=-1 | a=-1 \rangle = 1$$

$$\rightarrow |a=-1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ i \end{pmatrix}$$

(A) Continued

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$$\underline{\lambda = 3} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 2i \\ 0 & -2i & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \phi \rightarrow \begin{aligned} -2a &= \phi \\ -2b + 2ic &= \phi \\ -2ib - 2c &= \phi \end{aligned} \rightarrow c = -ib$$

$$\rightarrow |b=3\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -i \end{pmatrix}$$

For C

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \phi \rightarrow \begin{aligned} -\lambda(-\lambda(1-\lambda)) &= \phi \\ \rightarrow \lambda^2(1-\lambda) &= \phi \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda = 1, -1, 1 = \text{eigenvalues}$$

$$\underline{\lambda = 1} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \phi \rightarrow \begin{aligned} -a + b &= \phi \\ -b &= \phi \\ 0 &= \phi \end{aligned} \rightarrow a = b$$

~~unclear~~  $|c=1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\langle c=1 | c=1 \rangle = (a \ a \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} a \\ a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = a^2 + a^2 = 1 \rightarrow a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\rightarrow |c=1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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(A) Continued

$$\lambda = 1 \rightarrow \begin{aligned} -a + b &= 0 \\ -b &= 0 \\ 0 &= 0 \quad \leftarrow C=1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow |C=1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = -1 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = 0 \rightarrow \begin{aligned} a + b &= 0 \\ b &= 0 \\ 2c &= 0 \end{aligned} \rightarrow a = -b$$

$$|C=-1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ -a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \langle C=-1 | C=1 \rangle = (a \ -a \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} a \\ -a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = a^2 + a^2 = 1 \rightarrow a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\rightarrow |C=-1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(B) |b=1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = |e_1\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow P(b=1) = |\langle b=1 | \Psi(0) \rangle|^2 = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$|C=1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|e_1\rangle + |e_2\rangle)$$

$$|C=1\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = |e_3\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow P_{\text{in } b} (C=1 \text{ or } C=-1) = |\langle C=1 | b=1 \rangle|^2 + |\langle C=-1 | b=1 \rangle|^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$



(B) Continued

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$$P(b=1/2, C=1) = P(b=1) P_{in b} (C=1 \text{ or } C=1')$$

$$= \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\textcircled{C} P(C=1 \text{ or } C=1') = |\langle C=1 | \psi(\phi) \rangle|^2 + |\langle C=1' | \psi(\phi) \rangle|^2$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}} \right|^2 + \frac{2}{3}$$

$$P_{C=1}(b=1) = |\langle b=1 | C=1 \text{ or } C=1' \rangle|^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow P(C=1 \text{ and } b=1) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\textcircled{D} BC = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2i \\ -2i & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad CB = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2i \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2i & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$[B, C] \neq 0$  So probabilities would not be the same

$$\textcircled{E} \Delta B \Delta C \geq \frac{1}{2} [B, C] \rightarrow \text{apply this on } |\psi(\phi)\rangle$$

$$\langle B \rangle = \langle \psi(\phi) | B | \psi(\phi) \rangle \rightarrow \text{or, it could be } \Delta B = \sqrt{\langle B^2 \rangle - \langle B \rangle^2}$$

$\textcircled{F}$  would be  $\neq$  if the 2 operators commute