

**Physics 417: Problem Set 7** (*DUE ON THURSDAY 11/7*)

**Problem 1: Griffiths 4.13**

**Problem 2: Hydrogen atom**

Suppose the hydrogen atom starts in the initial state

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{4}{5}|1, 0, 0\rangle + \frac{3i}{5}|2, 1, 1\rangle \quad (1)$$

where the  $|n, \ell, m\rangle$  are the usual energy eigenstates of hydrogen.

(a) Calculate  $\langle E \rangle$ ,  $\langle L^2 \rangle$  and  $\langle L_z \rangle$  for this state. (This part should be really easy.)

(b) Calculate  $\langle V \rangle$  (the expectation value of the potential energy) for this state. (This part will require a little more work.)

(c) Calculate  $|\psi(t)\rangle$ . Which of the expectation values in (a) and (b) vary with time?

**Problem 3: More hydrogen atom**

Calculate the probability that an electron in the ground state of hydrogen is outside the classically allowed region.

**Problem 4: Even more hydrogen atom**

What is the ground state energy, Bohr radius, and Lyman- $\alpha$  frequency ( $n = 2 \rightarrow n = 1$  transition) for each of the following hydrogenic systems:

(a) A bound state of a deuteron and an electron (“heavy hydrogen”)

(b) A bound state of a proton and a muon (“mesonium”)

(c)  $\text{He}^+$ , a singly ionized helium atom

**Problem 5: Griffiths 4.19**