

Some Potentially Useful Mathematical Formulae

Trigonometric Relations

$$\sin \alpha \sin \beta = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\alpha - \beta) - \cos(\alpha + \beta)]$$

$$\cos \alpha \cos \beta = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\alpha - \beta) + \cos(\alpha + \beta)]$$

$$\sin \alpha \cos \beta = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(\alpha - \beta) + \sin(\alpha + \beta)]$$

$$\sin(\alpha \pm \beta) = \sin \alpha \cos \beta \pm \sin \beta \cos \alpha$$

$$\cos(\alpha \pm \beta) = \cos \alpha \cos \beta \mp \sin \alpha \sin \beta$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin x = \cos x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \cos x = -\sin x$$

Integrals

$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{L}{2} \delta_{mn}$$

$$\int x \cos(ax) dx = \frac{x}{a} \sin ax + \frac{\cos ax}{a^2}$$

$$\int x^2 \cos(ax) dx = \frac{2x \cos ax}{a^2} + \frac{a^2 x^2 - 2}{a^3} \sin ax$$

$$\int_0^\infty r^n e^{-2r} dr = \frac{n!}{2^{n+1}}$$

Some Operators

$x \equiv$ multiply by x

$\mathbf{r} \equiv$ multiply by \mathbf{r}

$$p_x \equiv -i\hbar \frac{d}{dx}$$

$$H = T + V$$

$\boldsymbol{\mu} \equiv e\mathbf{r}$

$$\mathbf{L} \equiv \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ x & y & z \\ -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$L_+ = L_x + iL_y \quad \text{and} \quad L_- = L_x - iL_y$$

Complex Relations

$$\sqrt{-1} = i = -\frac{1}{i}$$

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$$

Spherical Polar Volume Element

$$r^2 dr \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

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