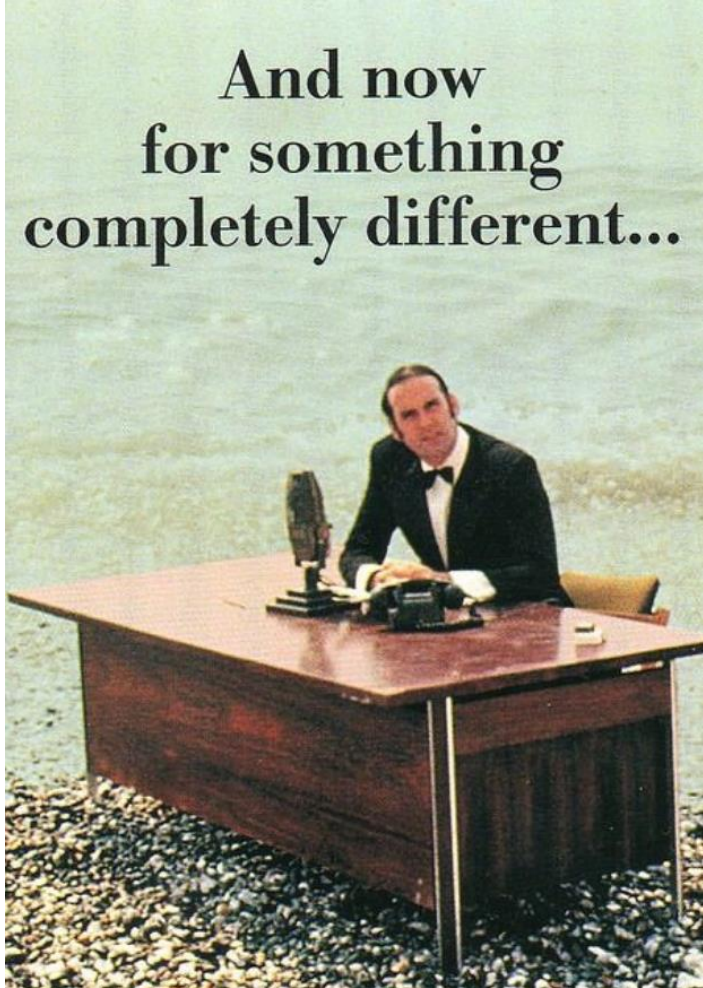


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# $O(6)$ harmonics in the three-heavy- quark problem

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# Outline

- Why would we care about  $SO(6)$  harmonics?
- How do we treat QM 2-particle problem?
- How we want to treat QM 3-particle problem?
- What should be 3-particle analogs of sp. harmonics?
- How do we find them?
- How to apply them?
  - calculate matrix elements
  - help us solve Schrodinger's equation
  - even treat some relativistic cases

# Why should we care?

- There are a lot of reasons to care for ordinary  $SO(3)$  spherical harmonics, yet their importance stems from QM two-particle problem
- $SO(6)$  harmonics are to three-body problem what  $SO(3)$  harmonics are to two-body problem
- Everybody knows  $SO(3)$  sp. harmonics, yet most have not heard of  $SO(6)$  harmonics!?

# Solving two particle problems

- Typical example – Hydrogen atom
- Using center-of-mass reference system where a single 3-dim vector determines position
- Split wave function into radial and angular parts
- Using basis of spherical harmonics for the angular wave function (essential)!
- Knowledge of matrix elements required for perturbative corrections/transitions

# Goal in 3-particle case

- Use c.m. system, reducing number of fr. deg. from 9 to 6
- Split the problem into radial and hyper-angular parts
- Solve angular part by decomposition to (hyper)spherical harmonics!
- Additional requirements/wanted properties:
  - Harmonics provide manifest permutation and rotation properties
  - Account for certain special dynamical symmetries
- Be able to evaluate matrix elements (integrals of 3 h.s. harmonics)
- $\Rightarrow$  applications: three quark systems, molecular physics, atomic physics (helium atom), positronium ion...

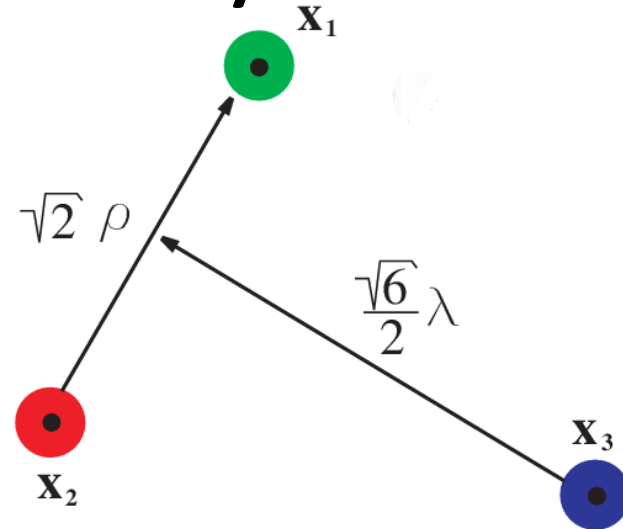
# Center-of-mass system

- Jacobi coordinates:

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2),$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 - 2\mathbf{x}_3)$$

In the case of different masses coordinates are more complicated



$$x_\mu = (\rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3), \quad \mu = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.$$

- Non-relativistic energy – SO(6) invariant:

$$T = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{\rho}^2 + \dot{\lambda}^2) = \sum_{\mu=1}^6 \frac{m}{2} (\dot{x}_\mu)^2$$

$$K_{\mu\nu} \equiv i(x_\mu \partial_\nu - x_\nu \partial_\mu) | \mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 6$$

$$R = \sqrt{\rho^2 + \lambda^2} = \sqrt{\sum_\mu x_\mu^2}$$



$$T = \frac{m}{2} \dot{R}^2 + \frac{K_{\mu\nu}^2}{2m R^2}$$

# 6 dim spherical harmonics = ???

- Let us recall a few facts about standard 3D s.h.

– Functions on sphere:  $\mathcal{Y}_m^J \xleftarrow{\text{UIR of } SO(3)}$   
 $\xleftarrow{\text{UIR of } SO(2) \subset SO(3)}$

$$J^2 \mathcal{Y}_m^J = J(J+1) \mathcal{Y}_m^J \quad J_3 \mathcal{Y}_m^J = m \mathcal{Y}_m^J$$

– Orthogonal:

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \mathcal{Y}_m^J \mathcal{Y}_{m'}^{J'*} d\Omega = \delta_{JJ'} \delta_{mm'}$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathcal{P}_m^J = 0$$

– E.g.:

$$Y_1^{-1}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-i\varphi} \cdot \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x-iy)}{r}$$

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$$Y_2^{-2}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-2i\varphi} \cdot \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x-iy)^2}{r^2}$$

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$$Y_2^0(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{(2z^2 - x^2 - y^2)}{r^2}$$

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# D-dim hyper-spherical harmonics

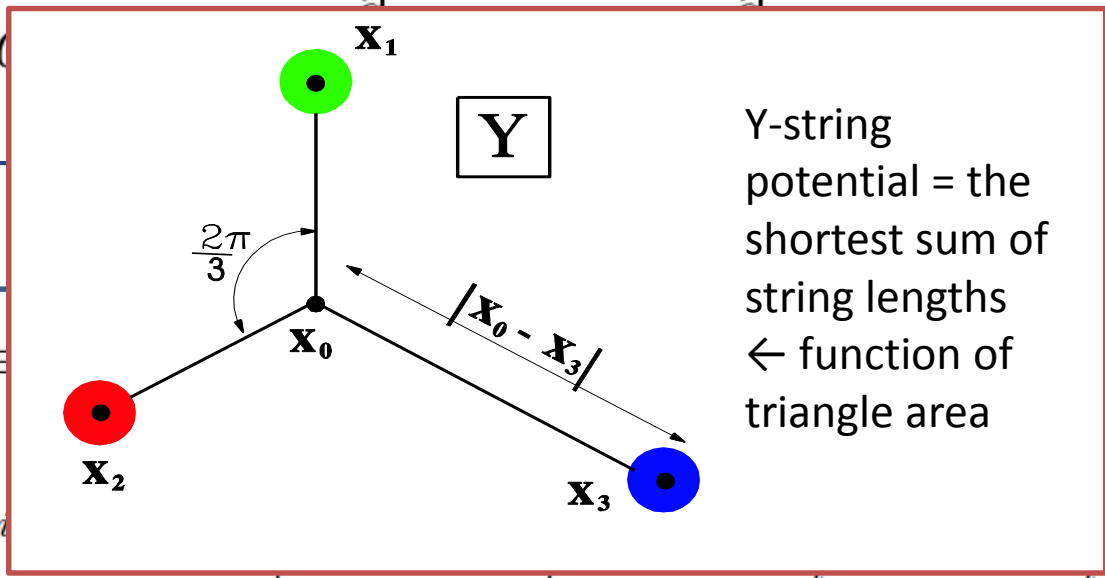
- Intuitively: natural basis for functions on D-dim sphere
- Homogenous harmonic polynomials (obeying Laplace eq.) of order  $K$  in Cartesian coordinates  $x_\mu$  restricted to unit sphere
- Harmonics of order  $K$  are further **labeled** by appropriate quantum numbers, usually related to  $SO(D)$  subgroups
- For 3-particles, there are many wrong but only one symmetrically/mathematically proper way to choose labels!

$$U [Q, \rho \times \lambda] = 0 \quad SO(6)$$

•  $CQ \equiv 0$

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$= 0$  1, 2, 3.



$J_{ij} \equiv$

SO(3) rotations

$Q_i$

U(3)

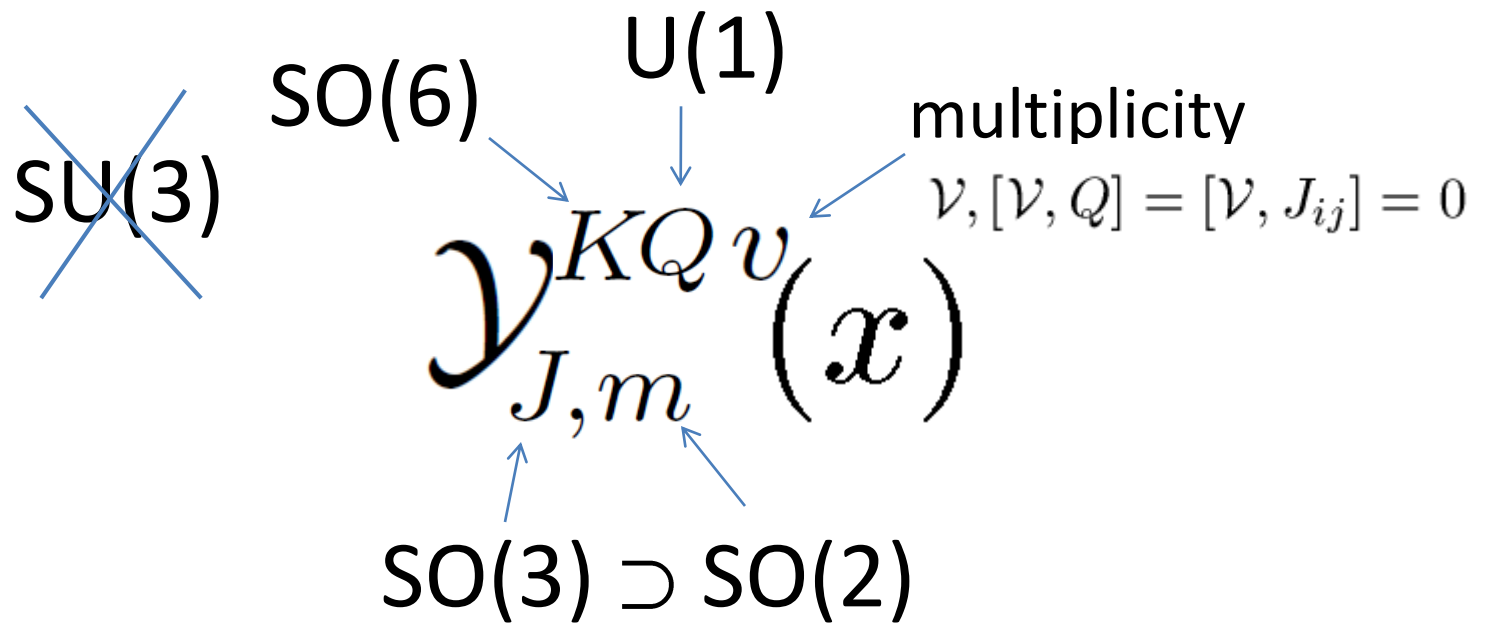
$$\Delta J_{ij} \equiv i \left( X_i^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^-} + X_i^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^+} - X_j^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^-} - X_j^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^+} \right),$$

$$W_{ij} \equiv X_i^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^-} - X_i^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^+} - X_j^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^-} + X_j^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^+}.$$

SO(6)

# Quantum numbers

- Labels of SO(6) hyper-spherical harmonics



$$U(1) \otimes SO(3)_{rot} \subset U(3) \subset SO(6)$$

# Long way to the explicit expressions...

- Building blocks – two SO(3) vectors  $\mathbf{X}^+$  and  $\mathbf{X}^-$
- Start from polynomials sharp in Q:

$$\mathcal{P}_{J_+ m_+ J_-}^{d_+ d_-}(\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbf{X}^+ \cdot \mathbf{y}^+)^{\frac{d_+ - J_+}{2}} \tilde{Y}_{3, m_+}^{J_+}(\mathbf{X}^+) (\mathbf{X}^- \cdot \mathbf{y}^-)^{\frac{d_- - J_-}{2}} \tilde{Y}_{3, m_-}^{J_-}(\mathbf{X}^-)$$

- Define “core polynomials” sharp in m and Q:

$$\mathcal{P}_{(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(\mathbf{X}) \equiv \sum_{m_+, m_-} \mathcal{P}_{J_+ m_+ J_-}^{\frac{\bar{K}+Q}{2} \frac{\bar{K}-Q}{2}}(\mathbf{X})$$

- Make them harmonics by finding orthogonal-complement w.r. polynomial with lesser  $Q$  i.e.:

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathcal{P}_{(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(\mathbf{X}) - \sum_a c_a R^{\bar{K} - K_a} \mathcal{P}_a(\mathbf{X}),$$

- Finally, remove remaining degeneracy, i.e. introduce multiplicity label.

# After all that we can...

...explicitly calculate the harmonics e.g. in  
Wolfram Mathematica...

$\mathcal{Y}\{K, Q, J, m, \nu\}$

$$Y\{0, 0, 0, 0, 0\} = \frac{1}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{1, -1, 1, 1, 2\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} X[1, -1]}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{1, 1, 1, 1, -2\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} X[1, 1]}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, -2, 0, 0, 0\} = \frac{\sqrt{2} Xsq[-1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, -2, 2, 2, 6\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} X[1, -1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, 0, 1, 1, 0\} = \frac{\sqrt{3} (X[0, 1] X[1, -1] - X[0, -1] X[1, 1])}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, 0, 2, 2, 0\} = \frac{\sqrt{3} X[1, -1] X[1, 1]}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

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$$Y\{2, 2, 2, 2, -6\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} X[1, 1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -3, 1, 1, 2\} = \frac{\sqrt{3} X[1, -1] Xsq[-1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -3, 3, 3, 12\} = \frac{\sqrt{5} X[1, -1]^3}{2 \pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -1, 1, 1, -6\} = \frac{\sqrt{6} \left( -\frac{1}{2} Xsq^2 X[1, -1] + X[1, 1] Xsq[-1]^2 \right)}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -1, 2, 2, 10\} = \frac{\sqrt{5} X[1, -1] (X[0, 1] X[1, -1] - X[0, -1] X[1, 1])}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -1, 3, 3, 4\} = \frac{\sqrt{15} X[1, -1]^2 X[1, 1]}{2 \pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, 1, 1, 1, 6\} = \frac{\sqrt{6} \left( -\frac{1}{2} Xsq^2 X[1, 1] + X[1, -1] Xsq[1]^2 \right)}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

# Nice permutation properties:

$$\mathcal{Y}_{J,m,\pm}^{K|Q|v}(\lambda, \rho) \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathcal{Y}_{J,m}^{K|Q|v}(\lambda, \rho) \pm (-1)^{K-J} \mathcal{Y}_{J,m}^{K,-|Q|,v'}(\lambda, \rho) \right)$$

- 1) Transposition  $\mathcal{T}_{12}$  is pure sign:  $\mathcal{Y}_{J,m,\pm}^{K|Q|v}(\lambda, \rho) \rightarrow \pm \mathcal{Y}_{J,m,\pm}^{K|Q|v}(\lambda, \rho)$
- 2)  $Q \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_{J,m,\pm}^{K|Q|v}(\lambda, \rho) \in$  mixed representation M
- 3)  $Q \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \Rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_{J,m,+}^{K|Q|v}(\lambda, \rho) \in$  symmetric representation S  
 $\mathcal{Y}_{J,m,-}^{K|Q|v}(\lambda, \rho) \in$  antisymmetric representation A

$$S_3 \otimes SO(3)_{rot} \subset O(2) \otimes SO(3)_{rot} \subset O(6)$$

# Now we can solve Schrodinger eq. by h.s. harmonics decomposition

- Decompose pot. energy  $V(R, \alpha, \phi) = V(R)V(\alpha, \phi)$  into h.s.h:

$$V(\alpha, \phi) = \sum_{K,Q}^{\infty} v_{K,Q}^{3\text{-body}} \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{KQ\nu}(\alpha, \phi) \quad v_{K,Q}^{3\text{-body}} = \int \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{KQ\nu*}(\Omega_5) V(\alpha, \phi) d\Omega_5$$

- Schrodinger equation  $\rightarrow$  coupled d.e. in  $\psi_{[m]}^K(R)$ :

$$-\frac{1}{2\mu} \left[ \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \frac{5}{R} \frac{d}{dR} - \frac{K(K+4)}{R^2} + 2\mu E \right] \psi_{[m]}^K(R) + V_{\text{eff.}}(R) \sum_{K', [m']} C_{[m][m']}^{K K'} \psi_{[m']}^{K'}(R) = 0$$

where:

Matrix elements

$$C_{[m''] [m']}^{K'' K'} = \delta_{K'', K'} \delta_{[m''], [m']} + \pi \sqrt{\pi} \sum_{K > 0, Q}^{\infty} \frac{v_{K,Q}^{3\text{-body}}}{v_{00}^{3\text{-body}}} \langle \mathcal{Y}_{[m'']}^{K''}(\Omega_5) | \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{KQ\nu}(\alpha, \phi) | \mathcal{Y}_{[m']}^{K'}(\Omega_5) \rangle$$

# We can evaluate matrix elements!

$$\langle \mathcal{Y}_{[m'']}^{K''}(\Omega_5) | \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{KQv}(\alpha, \phi) | \mathcal{Y}_{[m']}^{K'}(\Omega_5) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^3}} \sqrt{\frac{\dim(K, Q) \dim(K', Q')}{\dim(K'', Q'')}} \\ \times \delta_{L', L''} \delta_{m', m''} C_r \begin{matrix} \{K, Q\} \\ \{0, 0\} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K', Q'\} \\ \{L', v'\} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K'', Q''\} \\ \{L'', v''\} \end{matrix} C \begin{matrix} \{K, Q\} \\ 0_H \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K', Q'\} \\ 0_H \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K'', Q''\} \\ 0_H \end{matrix},$$

where:

$$C_{0_H}^{\{K_1, Q_1\} \{K_2, Q_2\} \{K, Q\}} = \left( A_0^{K_1, Q_1} A_0^{K_2, Q_2} A_0^{K, Q} \sqrt{\frac{\pi^3 \dim(K, Q)}{\dim(K_1, Q_1) \dim(K_2, Q_2)}} \right. \\ \times \sum_{K'_1=|Q_1|, |Q_1|+2, \dots}^{K_1} \sum_{K'_2=|Q_2|, |Q_2|+2, \dots}^{K_2} \sum_{K'=|Q|, |Q|+2, \dots}^K \Pi_{K'_1}^{K_1, Q_1} \Pi_{K'_2}^{K_2, Q_2} \Pi_{K'}^{K, -Q} \\ \times \left. \frac{2\pi^3}{\left(\frac{K'_1+K'_2+K'}{2} + 1\right) \left(\frac{K'_1+K'_2+K'}{2} + 2\right)} \delta_{Q_1+Q_2, Q} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \Pi_{K'}^{K, Q} = \prod_{K''=|Q|, |Q|+2, \dots}^{K'-2} \left( 1 - \frac{(K+2)^2 - Q^2}{(K''+2)^2 - Q^2} \right) \\ A_0^{K, Q} = (-1)^{\frac{K-|Q|}{2}} \left( \sum_{K_1, K_2=|Q|, |Q|+2, \dots}^K \Pi_{K_1}^{K, Q} \Pi_{K_2}^{K, Q} \frac{2\pi^3}{\left(\frac{K_1+K_2}{2} + 1\right) \left(\frac{K_1+K_2}{2} + 2\right)} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$



# Realistic potentials for identical particles have only few harmonics!

$$v_{K,Q}^{3\text{-body}} = \int \mathcal{Y}_{0,0}^{K,Q,\nu*}(\Omega_5) V_{3\text{-body}}(\alpha, \phi) d\Omega_{(5)}$$

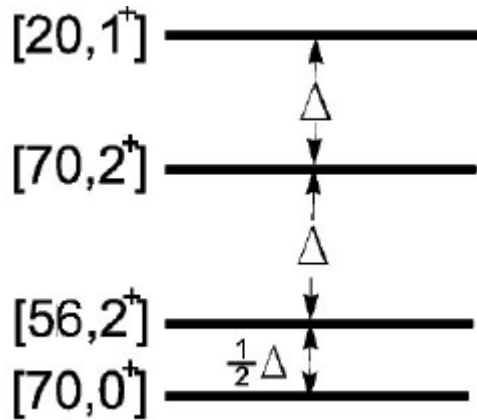
(K, Q)	$v_{KQ}^Y$	$v_{KQ}^\Delta$	$v_{KQ}^{\text{Coulomb}}$
(0,0)	8.18	16.04	20.04
(4,0)	-0.44	-0.44	2.95
(6,±6)	0	-0.14	1.88
(8,0)	-0.09	-0.06	1.49
$\sum \frac{(v_{K,Q}^{3\text{-body}})^2}{(\int (V_{3\text{-body}})^2 d\Omega_{(5)})}$	99%	99%	94%

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possible  
K<11 !

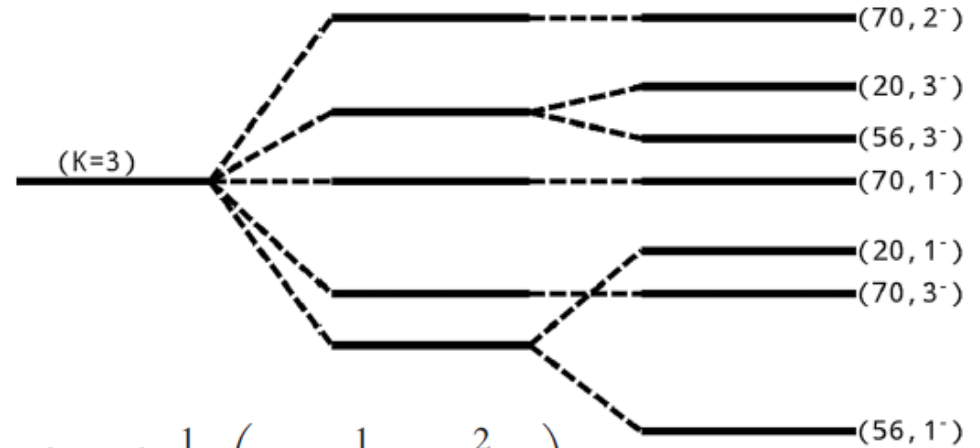
- Energy and ordering of the states depend only on a few coefficients!

# State orderings

State ordering for K=2 and K=3:



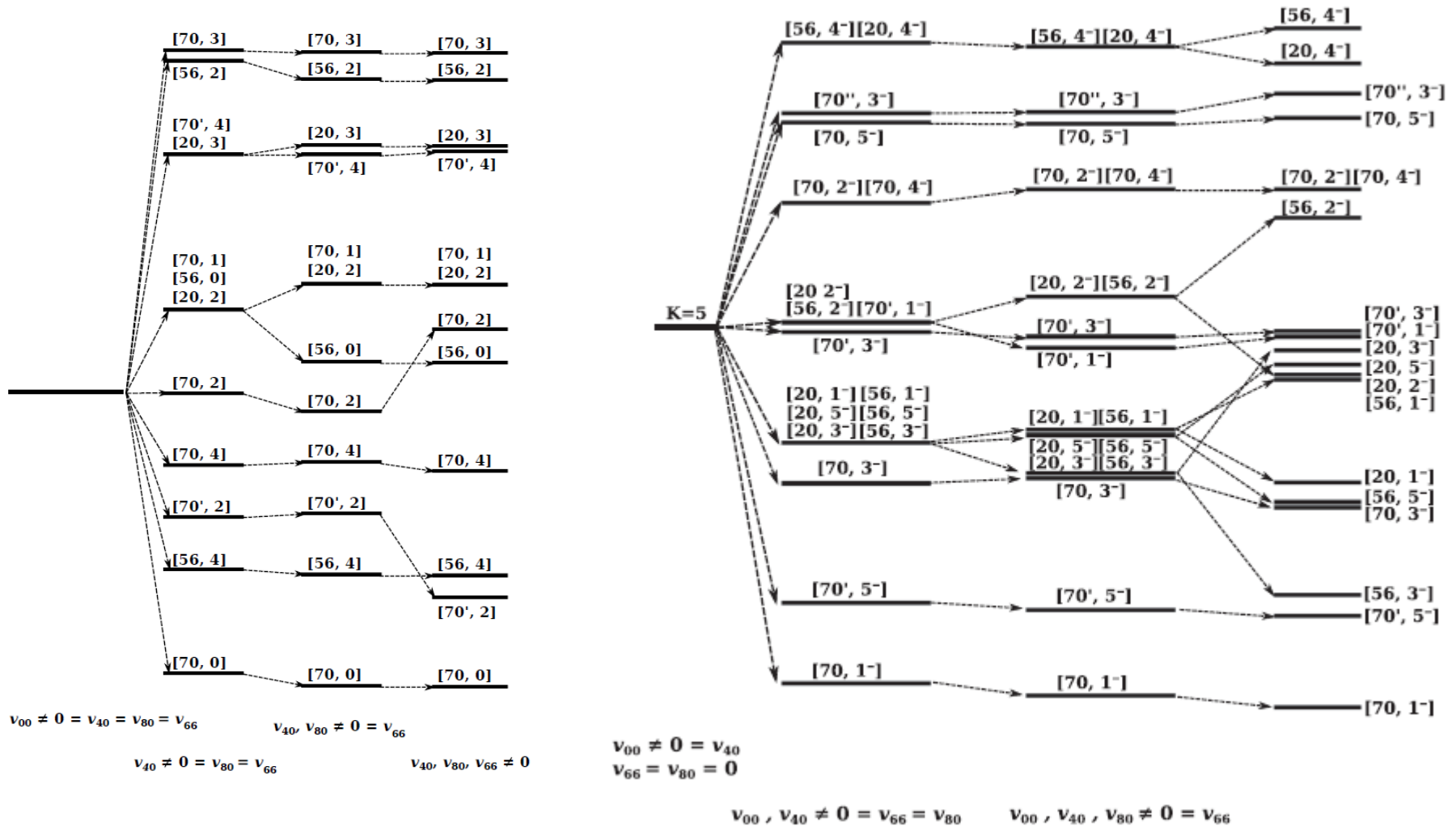
$$\begin{aligned}
 [20, 1^+] & \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \left( v_{00} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} v_{40} \right) \\
 [70, 0^+] & \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \left( v_{00} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} v_{40} \right) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 [20, 1^-] & \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \left( v_{00} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} v_{40} - \frac{2}{7} v_{66} \right) \\
 [56, 1^-] & \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \left( v_{00} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} v_{40} + \frac{2}{7} v_{66} \right) \\
 [70, 1^-] & \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{\pi}} (v_{00}) \\
 [70, 2^-] & \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{\pi}} \left( v_{00} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} v_{40} \right) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

# State orderings

Delta potential state ordering for K=4 and K=5:



# We can also treat some relativistic cases!

- Semi-relativistic three-quark Hamiltonian:

$$H = \sum_a \sqrt{m_a^2 + \mathbf{p}_i^2} + V_{3b}(|\boldsymbol{\rho}|, |\boldsymbol{\lambda}|, \boldsymbol{\rho} \cdot \boldsymbol{\lambda})$$

- Harmonic oscillator potential:

$$V_{3b}(|\boldsymbol{\rho}|, |\boldsymbol{\lambda}|, \boldsymbol{\rho} \cdot \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = V_{\text{HO}} = \frac{k}{2} (\boldsymbol{\rho}^2 + \boldsymbol{\lambda}^2)$$

- Not too realistic (nor covariant) but good as a toy model and basis for perturbation calculus.
- In momentum picture we get a common form of Schrodinger's equation!

# Ultrarelativistic case

- In CM frame, due to  $\sum_3 \mathbf{p}_i = 0$  we can use Jacobi coordinates for momenta!
- Ultrarelativistic limit:  $\tilde{T} = \sum_{i=1}^3 |\mathbf{p}_i|$
- Almost becomes Delta pot.:  $V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} V_{\Delta}(\rho \leftrightarrow \lambda)$

$(K, Q)$	$v_{KQ}(\text{Y - string})$	$v_{KQ}(\Delta)$	$v_{KQ}(\text{urHO})$	$v_{KQ}(\text{Coulomb})$	$v_{KQ}(\text{Log})$
(0,0)	8.22	16.04	16.04	20.04	-6.58
(4,0)	-0.398	- 0.445	- 0.445	2.93	-1.21
(6,±6)	-0.027	- 0.14	0.14	1.88	-0.56
(8,0)	-0.064	- 0.04	- 0.04	1.41	-0.33
(12,0)	-0.01	0	0	0	-0.17

# To sum up:

- $O(6)$  h.s.h are to three-particle problem what ordinary s.h. are to two-particle problem
- proper labels are  $\mathcal{Y}_{J,m,\pm}^{K|Q|v}$
- tables of explicit expressions available
- matrix elements available
- accounting for only few terms effectively solves Schrodinger equation
- help differentiating  $\Delta$  and  $Y$

# Talk based on:

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- Define “core polynomials” sharp in J, m and Q:

$$\mathcal{P}_{(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(X) \equiv \sum_{m_+, m_-} C_{m_+ m_- m}^{J_+ J_- J} \mathcal{P}_{J_+ m_+ J_- m_-}^{\frac{\bar{K}+Q}{2} \frac{\bar{K}-Q}{2}}(X)$$

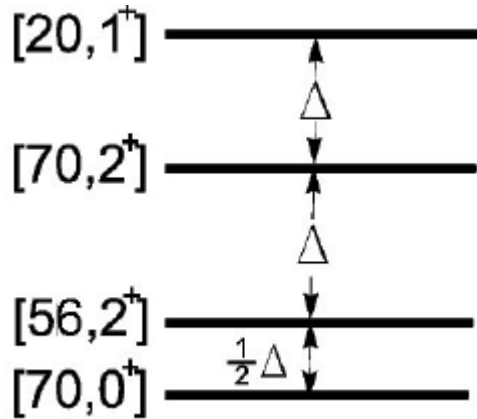
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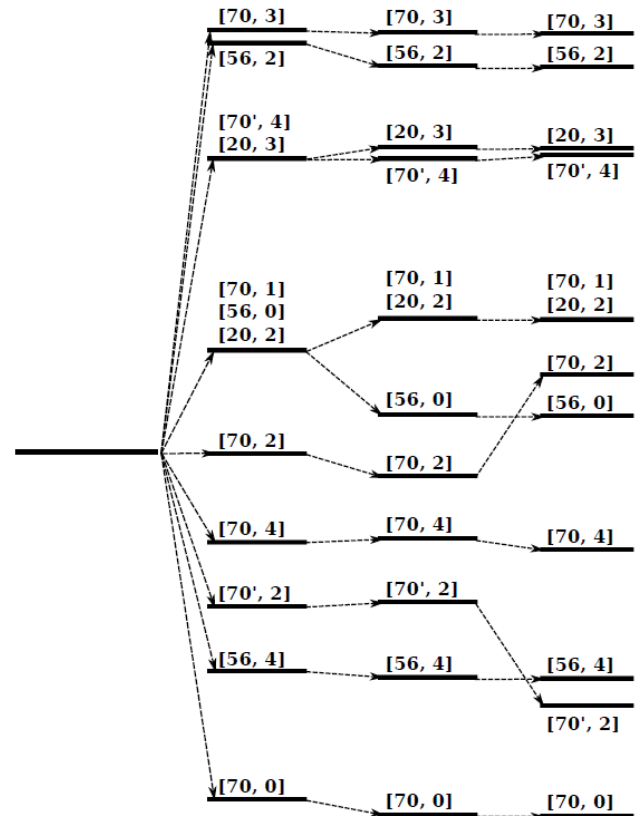
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 \end{aligned}$$

Delta potential state ordering for K=4:



$$v_{00} \neq 0 = v_{40} = v_{80} = v_{66}$$

$$v_{40}, v_{80} \neq 0 = v_{66}$$

$$v_{40} \neq 0 = v_{80} = v_{66}$$

$$v_{40}, v_{80}, v_{66} \neq 0$$

# Particle permutations

- Transformations are easily inferred since:

$$\mathcal{T}_{12} : \lambda \rightarrow \lambda, \quad \rho \rightarrow -\rho,$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{23} : \lambda \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}\lambda + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\rho, \quad \rho \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\rho + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda,$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{31} : \lambda \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}\lambda - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\rho, \quad \rho \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\rho - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda.$$



$$\mathcal{T}_{12} : X_i^\pm \rightarrow X_i^\mp, \quad \mathcal{T}_{23} : X_i^\pm \rightarrow e^{\pm \frac{2i\pi}{3}} X_i^\mp, \quad \mathcal{T}_{31} : X_i^\pm \rightarrow e^{\mp \frac{2i\pi}{3}} X_i^\mp.$$



$$\mathcal{T}_{ab} : Q \rightarrow -Q, \quad K \rightarrow K, \quad J_{ij} \rightarrow J_{ij}, \quad \nu \rightarrow \pm \nu$$

# In practice we need matrix elements!

- E.g. potential energy term in Schr. eq. turns into matrix elements of form:

$$\langle \mathcal{Y}_{[m'']}^{K''}(\Omega_5) | \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{KQv}(\alpha, \phi) | \mathcal{Y}_{[m']}^{K'}(\Omega_5) \rangle = \int \mathcal{Y}_{[m]}^{*K}(\Omega_5) \mathcal{Y}_{[m_1]}^{K_1}(\Omega_5) \mathcal{Y}_{[m_2]}^{K_2}(\Omega_5) d\Omega_5$$

- In principle these can be calculated using formula:

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{R^6} x_1^{m_1} x_2^{m_2} \dots x_6^{m_6} d\Omega = 2 \frac{\prod_{\mu=1}^6 \frac{1+(-1)^{m_{\mu}}}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{m_{\mu}+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(3 + \sum_{\mu} m_{\mu})}$$

- Pros: integral of any number of h.s. harmonics can be evaluated
- Cons: requires prior calculation of explicit h.s. harmonics expressions, is not fast and is not a **closed form!**

# A different group-theoretical viewpoint

- A h.s. harmonic of a compact Lie group  $G$  on  $\mathcal{M}$  is a function that transforms as a basis vector  $m$  of UIR  $L$ :

$$g : \mathcal{Y}_m^L(\Omega) \rightarrow \sum_{m'} D_{m'm}^L(g) \mathcal{Y}_{m'}^L(\Omega), \quad g \in G, \Omega \in \mathcal{M}$$

where  $D_{m'm}^L(g) = \langle \begin{smallmatrix} L \\ m' \end{smallmatrix} | D(g) | \begin{smallmatrix} L \\ m \end{smallmatrix} \rangle$  is a Wigner D-function

- This is already satisfied by (conj.) D-functions on entire  $G$ :

$$g' : D_{mk}^{*L}(g) \rightarrow D_{mk}^{*L}(g'^{-1}g) = \sum_{m'} D_{mm'}^{*L}{}^{-1}(g') D_{m'k}^{*L}(g) = \sum_{m'} D_{m'm}^L(g') D_{m'k}^{*L}(g)$$

- What about more common homogeneous spaces?

# H.s. harmonics = Wigner D-functions

- Stabilizer of a point:  $H_\Omega \subset G, H_\Omega \cdot \Omega = \Omega \Rightarrow \mathcal{M} = G/H$
- Choose  $H$  invariant vector  $|0_H^L\rangle$ :

$$D(h)|0_H^L\rangle = |0_H^L\rangle, \forall h \in H$$

- Wigner D-function  $D_{m0_H}^{*L}(g)$  becomes function on  $G/H$

$$D_{m0_H}^{*L}(g) = D_{m0_H}^{*L}(g(\Omega)h) = \langle m^L | D(g(\Omega))D(h)|0_H^L\rangle = D_{m0_H}^{*L}(g(\Omega)) \equiv D_{m0_H}^{*L}(\Omega)$$

- After normalization, this is the h.s. harmonic function:

$$\mathcal{Y}_m^L(\Omega) = \sqrt{\frac{\dim(L)}{V_{\mathcal{M}}}} D_{m0_H}^{*L}(\Omega)$$



# An important direct consequence:

- Integral of three h.s. harmonics always turns into Clebsch-Gordan coefficients:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{Y}_m^{*L}(\Omega) \mathcal{Y}_{m_1}^{L_1}(\Omega) \mathcal{Y}_{m_2}^{L_2}(\Omega) d\Omega \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{\dim(L) \dim(L_1) \dim(L_2)}{V_{\mathcal{M}}^3}} \int_{\mathcal{M}} D_{m0_H}^L(\Omega) D_{m_1 0_H}^{*L_1}(\Omega) D_{m_2 0_H}^{*L_2}(\Omega) d\Omega \\
 &= \frac{1}{V_H} \sqrt{\frac{\dim(L) \dim(L_1) \dim(L_2)}{V_{\mathcal{M}}^3}} \int_G D_{m0_H}^L(g) D_{m_1 0_H}^{*L_1}(g) D_{m_2 0_H}^{*L_2}(g) dg \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{V_{\mathcal{M}}}} \sqrt{\frac{\dim(L_1) \dim(L_2)}{\dim(L)}} C_{m_1 m_2 m}^{L_1 L_2 L} C_{0_H 0_H 0_H}^{L_1 L_2 L},
 \end{aligned}$$

# Back to three particles

- Stabilizer subgroup = SO(5), hyper sphere SO(6)/SO(5)
- The integral turns into SO(6) CG coefficients:

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{Y}_{[m]}^{*K}(\Omega_5) \mathcal{Y}_{[m_1]}^{K_1}(\Omega_5) \mathcal{Y}_{[m_2]}^{K_2}(\Omega_5) d\Omega_5$$

SO(5) subgroup  
invariant vector

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{V_{\mathcal{M}}}} \sqrt{\frac{\dim(K_1) \dim(K_2)}{\dim(K)}} C_{[m_1][m_2][m]}^{K_1 K_2 K} C_{[0_H][0_H][0_H]}^{K_1 K_2 K}$$

- Problem: values of SO(6) CG coefficients?

# But these are also functions on SU(3)/SU(2) !

- This is seen by considering U(3) action on complex coordinates  $X^+$  and noting isometry subgroup U(2)
- Analogous formula with SU(3) CG coefficients is also valid!

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{Y}_{L,m}^{*KQv}(X) \mathcal{Y}_{L_1,m_1}^{K_1 Q_1 v_1}(X) \mathcal{Y}_{L_2,m_2}^{K_2 Q_2 v_2}(X) dX^3 =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{V_{\mathcal{M}}}} \sqrt{\frac{\dim(K_1, Q_1) \dim(K_2, Q_2)}{\dim(K, Q)}} C_{\{L_1, m_1, v_1\} \{L_2, m_2, v_2\} \{L, m, v\}}^{\{K_1, Q_1\} \{K_2, Q_2\} \{K, Q\}} C_{0_H \ 0_H \ 0_H}^{\{K_1, Q_1\} \{K_2, Q_2\} \{K, Q\}}$$

SU(2) subgroup  
invariant vector

- SU(3) CG coefficients are available!

# For the potential energy matrix elements:

$$\langle \mathcal{Y}_{[m'']}^{K''}(\Omega_5) | \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{KQv}(\alpha, \phi) | \mathcal{Y}_{[m']}^{K'}(\Omega_5) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi^3}} \sqrt{\frac{\dim(K, Q) \dim(K', Q')}{\dim(K'', Q'')}} \\ \times \delta_{L', L''} \delta_{m', m''} C_r \begin{matrix} \{K, Q\} \\ \{0, 0\} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K', Q'\} \\ \{L', v'\} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K'', Q''\} \\ \{L'', v''\} \end{matrix} C \begin{matrix} \{K, Q\} \\ 0_H \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K', Q'\} \\ 0_H \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \{K'', Q''\} \\ 0_H \end{matrix},$$

where:

$$C_{0_H}^{\{K_1, Q_1\} \{K_2, Q_2\} \{K, Q\}} = \left( A_0^{K_1, Q_1} A_0^{K_2, Q_2} A_0^{K, Q} \sqrt{\frac{\pi^3 \dim(K, Q)}{\dim(K_1, Q_1) \dim(K_2, Q_2)}} \right. \\ \times \sum_{\substack{K_1 \\ K'_1=|Q_1|, |Q_1|+2, \dots}}^{K_1} \sum_{\substack{K_2 \\ K'_2=|Q_2|, |Q_2|+2, \dots}}^{K_2} \sum_{\substack{K \\ K'=|Q|, |Q|+2, \dots}}^K \Pi_{K'_1}^{K_1, Q_1} \Pi_{K'_2}^{K_2, Q_2} \Pi_{K'}^{K, -Q} \\ \times \left. \frac{2\pi^3}{\left(\frac{K'_1+K'_2+K'}{2} + 1\right) \left(\frac{K'_1+K'_2+K'}{2} + 2\right)} \delta_{Q_1+Q_2, Q} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \Pi_{K'}^{K, Q} = \prod_{K''=|Q|, |Q|+2, \dots}^{K'-2} \left( 1 - \frac{(K+2)^2 - Q^2}{(K''+2)^2 - Q^2} \right) \\ A_0^{K, Q} = (-1)^{\frac{K-|Q|}{2}} \left( \sum_{K_1, K_2=|Q|, |Q|+2, \dots}^K \Pi_{K_1}^{K, Q} \Pi_{K_2}^{K, Q} \frac{2\pi^3}{\left(\frac{K_1+K_2}{2} + 1\right) \left(\frac{K_1+K_2}{2} + 2\right)} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

# Now we can solve problems by h.s. harmonics decomposition

- Schrodinger equation – coupled d.e. in  $\psi_{[m]}^K(R)$  :

$$-\frac{1}{2\mu} \left[ \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \frac{5}{R} \frac{d}{dR} - \frac{K(K+4)}{R^2} + 2\mu E \right] \psi_{[m]}^K(R) + V_{\text{eff.}}(R) \sum_{K', [m']} C_{[m][m']}^{K, K'} \psi_{[m']}^{K'}(R) = 0$$

where:

$$C_{[m''] [m']}^{K'' K'} = \delta_{K'', K'} \delta_{[m''], [m']} + \pi \sqrt{\pi} \sum_{K > 0, Q}^{\infty} \frac{v_{K, Q}^{3-\text{body}}}{v_{00}^{3-\text{body}}} \langle \mathcal{Y}_{[m'']}^{K''}(\Omega_5) | \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{K, Qv}(\alpha, \phi) | \mathcal{Y}_{[m']}^{K'}(\Omega_5) \rangle$$

# Realistic potentials for identical particles have only few harmonics!

$$v_{K,Q}^{3\text{-body}} = \int \mathcal{Y}_{0,0}^{K,Q,\nu*}(\Omega_5) V_{3\text{-body}}(\alpha, \phi) d\Omega_{(5)}$$

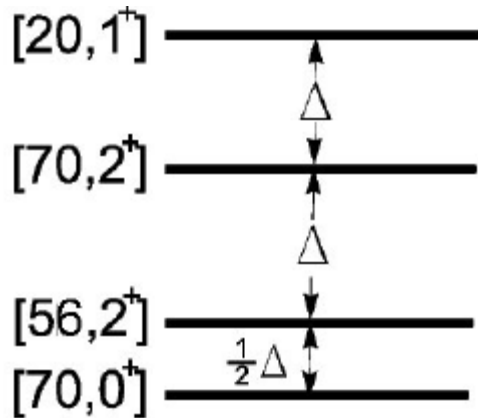
(K, Q)	$v_{KQ}^Y$	$v_{KQ}^\Delta$	$v_{KQ}^{\text{Coulomb}}$
(0,0)	8.18	16.04	20.04
(4,0)	-0.44	-0.44	2.95
(6,±6)	0	-0.14	1.88
(8,0)	-0.09	-0.06	1.49
$\sum \frac{(v_{K,Q}^{3\text{-body}})^2}{(\int (V_{3\text{-body}})^2 d\Omega_{(5)})}$	99%	99%	94%

4 out of  
2366  
possible  
K<11 !

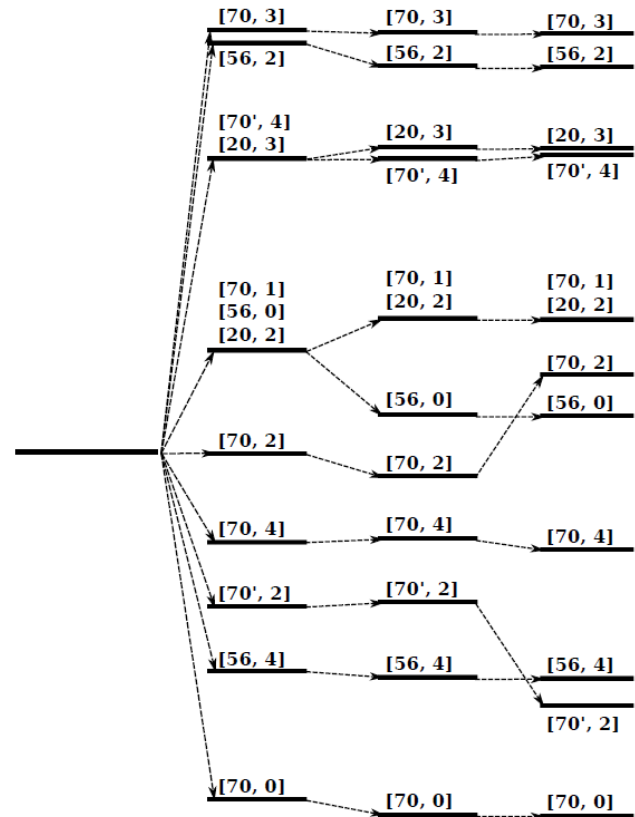
- Energy and ordering of the states depend only on a few coefficients!

# State orderings

Fixed state ordering for K=2:



Delta potential state ordering for K=4:



$$v_{00} \neq 0 = v_{40} = v_{80} = v_{66}$$

$$v_{40}, v_{80} \neq 0 = v_{66}$$

$$v_{40} \neq 0 = v_{80} = v_{66}$$

$$v_{40}, v_{80}, v_{66} \neq 0$$



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Thank you

# Hyper-spherical coordinates

- Triangle shape-space parameters:

$$R = \sqrt{\rho^2 + \lambda^2}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} = (\mathbf{n}'_1, \mathbf{n}'_2, \mathbf{n}'_3) = \left( \frac{\rho^2 - \lambda^2}{R^2}, \frac{2\rho \cdot \lambda}{R^2}, \frac{2(\lambda \times \rho)_3}{R^2} \right)$$

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Choice of  
angles

$$(\sin \alpha)^2 = (\mathbf{n}'_1{}^2 + \mathbf{n}'_2{}^2) = 1 - \left( \frac{2\rho \times \lambda}{R^2} \right)^2$$


$$\phi = -\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\mathbf{n}'_2}{\mathbf{n}'_1} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2\rho \cdot \lambda}{\rho^2 - \lambda^2} \right)$$

- Plus angles that fix the position/orientation of the triangle plane (some  $\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3$ )

# I - Case of planar motion

- 4 c.m. degrees of freedom - Jacobi coordinates:

$$x_\mu = (\rho_1, \rho_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2), \quad \mu = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

- or spherically  $R, \alpha, \varphi$  and  $\Phi$   conjugated to overall angular momentum

- Hyper-angular momenta – so(4) algebra:

$$K_{\mu\nu} \equiv i(x_\mu \partial_\nu - x_\nu \partial_\mu) | \mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 4$$

$$T = \frac{m}{2} \dot{R}^2 + \frac{K_{\mu\nu}^2}{2m R^2}$$

# Decomposition:

$$so(4) \supset so(3) \oplus so(3) \supset so(2) \oplus so(2)$$

$$K_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & K_{12} & K_{13} & K_{14} \\ -K_{12} & 0 & K_{23} & K_{24} \\ -K_{13} & -K_{23} & 0 & K_{34} \\ -K_{14} & -K_{24} & -K_{34} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \\ \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L = L_\rho + L_\lambda$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \frac{1}{2} (K_{12} + K_{34}, K_{23} + K_{14}, K_{31} + K_{24})$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{1}{2} (K_{12} - K_{34}, K_{23} - K_{14}, K_{31} - K_{24}) = \mathbf{Q}$$

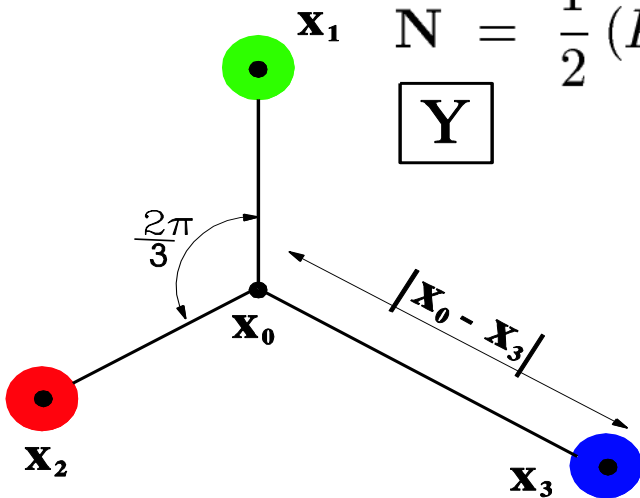
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$$[\mathbf{M}^i, \mathbf{M}^j] = i\epsilon^{ijk} \mathbf{M}^k$$

$$[\mathbf{N}^i, \mathbf{N}^j] = i\epsilon^{ijk} \mathbf{N}^k$$

$$[\mathbf{M}^i, \mathbf{N}^j] = 0$$

$$[\mathbf{Q}, \rho \times \lambda] = 0$$



Y-string potential = the shortest sum of string lengths  $\leftarrow$  function of triangle area

# Hyper-spherical harmonics

- Labeled by  $K, L$  and  $Q$ :  $\mathcal{Y}_{L,Q}^K(\alpha, \phi, \Phi)$

$$J_1 = J_2 = K/2 \rightarrow$$

$$\left| \begin{matrix} J_1 & J_2 \\ m_1 & m_2 \end{matrix} \right\rangle = |J_1 m_1\rangle \otimes |J_2 m_2\rangle \quad so(4) \supset so(3) \oplus so(3) \supset so(2) \oplus so(2)$$

- Functions coincide with SO(3) Wigner D-functions:

$$\mathcal{Y}_{L,Q}^K(\alpha, \phi, \Phi) = \frac{\sqrt{1+K}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \mathcal{D}_{Q,-L/2}^{K/2}(-\phi, \alpha, 2\Phi)$$

- Interactions preserve value of  $L$  (rotational invariance) and some even preserve  $Q$  (area dependant like the Y-string three-quark potential)

# Calculations now become much simpler...

- We decompose potential energy into hyperspherical harmonics and split the problem into radial and angular parts:

$$-\frac{1}{2m} \left[ \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \frac{3}{R} \frac{d}{dR} - \frac{K(K+2)}{R^2} + 2mE \right] \psi_c(R) + V_{\text{eff.}}(R) \sum_{c'} C_{c,c'} \psi_{c'}(R) = 0$$

$$V_{3\text{-body}}(\alpha, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sum_{K_I, Q_I}^{\infty} v_{K_I Q_I}^{3\text{-body}} \mathcal{Y}_{0 Q_I}^{K_I}(\alpha, \phi, \Phi)$$

$$C_{[K'], [K]} = \delta_{[K'], [K]} + \sum_{K_I > 0, Q_I}^{\infty} \left( \frac{v_{K_I Q_I}^{3\text{-body}}}{v_{00}^{3\text{-body}}} \right) \sqrt{\frac{(K'+1)(K_I+1)}{(K+1)}} C_{\frac{K}{2} \frac{L}{2}, \frac{K'}{2} \frac{L'}{2}}^{\frac{K}{2} Q} C_{\frac{K_I}{2} Q_I, \frac{K'}{2} Q'}$$

## II - Case of 3D motion

- 6 c.m. degrees of freedom - Jacobi coordinates:

$$x_\mu = (\rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3), \quad \mu = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.$$

- or spherically  $R, \alpha, \varphi$  and some  $\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3$

Tricky!



- Hyper-angular momenta – so(6) algebra:

$$K_{\mu\nu} \equiv i(x_\mu \partial_\nu - x_\nu \partial_\mu) | \mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 6$$

$$T = \frac{m}{2} \dot{R}^2 + \frac{K_{\mu\nu}^2}{2m R^2}$$

# Particle permutations

- Transformations are easily inferred since:

$$P_{12} : \rho \rightarrow -\rho, \lambda \rightarrow \lambda \Rightarrow \mathbf{X}^{\pm} \rightarrow \mathbf{X}^{\mp}$$

$$P_{13} : \mathbf{X}^{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\mp \frac{2\pi}{3}i} \mathbf{X}^{\mp}$$

$$P_{23} : \mathbf{X}^{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\pm \frac{2\pi}{3}i} \mathbf{X}^{\mp}$$



$$P_{12} : Q \rightarrow -Q, \nu \rightarrow -\nu, K \rightarrow K$$



$$P_{12} : \mathcal{Y}_{J,m}^{KQ\nu}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_{J,m}^{K,-Q,-\nu}(X)$$

...



# Goal in 3-particle case

- Use c.m. system and split the problem into radial and angular parts
- Interaction is not radial-only, but in all realistic interaction potentials “radial” component is dominant – starting point for perturbation approach
- Solve angular part by decomposition to (hyper)spherical harmonics
- Account for some special dynamical symmetries (e.g. Y-string three-quark potential)
- Harmonics provide manifest permutation and rotation properties
- Applications: three quark systems, molecular physics, atomic physics (helium atom), positronium ion...


# Hyper-spherical coordinates

- Triangle shape-space parameters:

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} = (\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{n}_2, \mathbf{n}_3) = (\rho^2 - \lambda^2, 2\rho \cdot \lambda, 2|\lambda \times \rho|)$$

$$R = \sqrt{\mathbf{n}_1^2 + \mathbf{n}_2^2 + \mathbf{n}_3^2} = \sqrt{\rho^2 + \lambda^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{\mu} x_{\mu}^2}$$

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Choice of  
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$$(\sin \alpha)^2 = \frac{\mathbf{n}_1^2 + \mathbf{n}_2^2}{R^2} = 1 - \left( \frac{2\rho \times \lambda}{R^2} \right)^2$$

$$\phi = -\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\mathbf{n}_2}{\mathbf{n}_1} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2\rho \cdot \lambda}{\rho^2 - \lambda^2} \right)$$

- Plus angles that fix the position/orientation of the triangle plane (some  $\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \Phi_3$ )



# 6 dim spherical harmonics = ???

- Let us recall a few facts about standard 3D s.h.

– Functions on sphere:  $\mathcal{Y}_m^J$   $\xleftarrow{\text{UIR of } SO(3)}$   $\xleftarrow{\text{UIR of } SO(2) \subset SO(3)}$

$$J^2 \mathcal{Y}_m^J = J(J+1) \mathcal{Y}_m^J \quad J_3 \mathcal{Y}_m^J = m \mathcal{Y}_m^J$$

– Orthogonal:

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \int_{\phi=0}^{2\pi} \mathcal{Y}_m^J \mathcal{Y}_{m'}^{J'*} d\Omega = \delta_{JJ'} \delta_{mm'}$$

$$\nabla^2 \mathcal{P}_m^J = 0$$

– E.g.:

$$Y_1^{-1}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-i\varphi} \cdot \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x-iy)}{r}$$

$$Y_1^0(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{\pi}} \cdot \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{z}{r}$$

$$Y_1^1(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{-1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{i\varphi} \cdot \sin \theta = \frac{-1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x+iy)}{r}$$

$$Y_2^{-2}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-2i\varphi} \cdot \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x-iy)^2}{r^2}$$

$$Y_2^{-1}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{-i\varphi} \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x-iy)z}{r^2}$$

$$Y_2^0(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{5}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{(2z^2 - x^2 - y^2)}{r^2}$$

$$Y_2^1(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{-1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{i\varphi} \cdot \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta = \frac{-1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x+iy)z}{r^2}$$

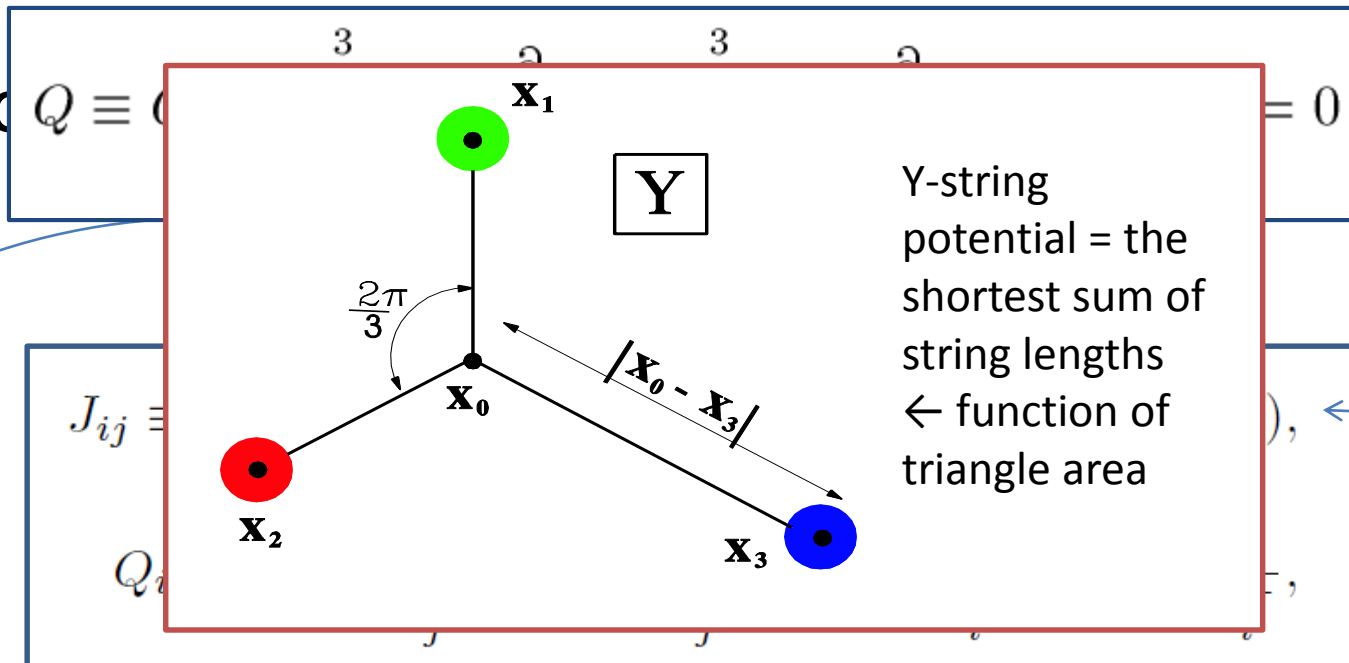
$$Y_2^2(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot e^{2i\varphi} \cdot \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{15}{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{(x+iy)^2}{r^2}$$

# D-dim hyper-spherical harmonics

- Intuitively: natural basis for functions on D-dim sphere
- Functions on  $SO(D)/SO(D-1)$  – transform as traceless symmetric tensor representations (only a subset of all tensorial UIRs)
- UIR labeled by single integer  $K$ , highest weight  $(K, 0, 0, \dots)$   
 $\Leftrightarrow K$  boxes in a single row  $\Leftrightarrow K(K+D-2)$  quadratic Casimir eigenvalue
- Homogenous harmonic polynomials (obeying Laplace eq. = traceless) of order  $K$  restricted to unit sphere
- Harmonics of order  $K$  are further labeled by appropriate quantum numbers, usually related to  $SO(D)$  subgroups

$$U [Q, \rho \times \lambda] = 0 \quad SO(6)$$

•  $CQ \equiv 0$



Y-string potential = the shortest sum of string lengths  
 ← function of triangle area

$$\Delta J_{ij} \equiv i(X_i^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^-} + X_i^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^+} - X_j^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^-} - X_j^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^+}),$$

$$W_{ij} \equiv X_i^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^-} - X_i^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_j^+} - X_j^+ \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^-} + X_j^- \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i^+}.$$

SO(6)

SO(3) rotations

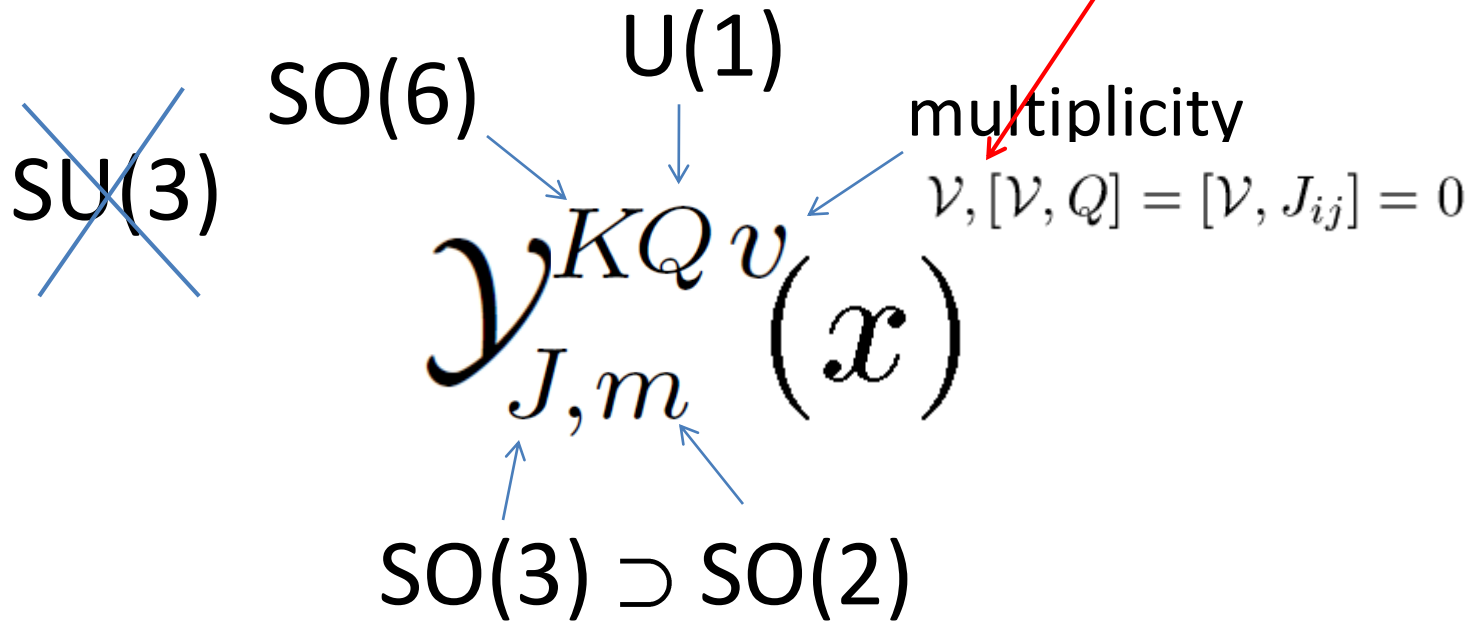
U(3)

# Quantum numbers

E.g. in SU(3) context  
often is used operator

$$\sum_{ij} J_i Q_{ij} J_j$$

- Labels of SO(6) hyper-spherical harmonics



$$U(1) \otimes SO(3)_{rot} \subset U(3) \subset SO(6)$$

# Long way to the explicit expressions...

- Building blocks – two SO(3) vectors  $\mathbf{X}^+$  and  $\mathbf{X}^-$
- Start from polynomials sharp in Q:

$$\mathcal{P}_{J_+ m_+ J_- m_-}^{d_+ d_-}(X) = (\mathbf{X}^+ \cdot \mathbf{X}^+)^{\frac{d_+ - J_+}{2}} \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}_{3, m_+}^{J_+}(X^+) (\mathbf{X}^- \cdot \mathbf{X}^-)^{\frac{d_- - J_-}{2}} \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}_{3, m_-}^{J_-}(X^-)$$

- Define “core polynomials” sharp in J, m and Q:

$$\mathcal{P}_{(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(X) \equiv \sum_{m_+, m_-} C_{m_+ m_-}^{J_+ J_- J} \mathcal{P}_{J_+ m_+ J_- m_-}^{\frac{\bar{K} + Q}{2} \frac{\bar{K} - Q}{2}}(X)$$

- Make them harmonic by finding ortho-complement w.r.t. polynomials with lesser  $K$ , *i.e.*:

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(X) = \mathcal{P}_{(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(X) - \sum_a c_a R^{\bar{K} - K_a} \mathcal{P}_a(X),$$

- Finally, remove remaining degeneracy, *i.e.* introduce multiplicity label.



# After all that we can...

...explicitly calculate the harmonics in Wolfram  
Mathematica...

$$Y\{0, 0, 0, 0, 0\} = \frac{1}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{1, -1, 1, 1, 2\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} X[1, -1]}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{1, 1, 1, 1, -2\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} X[1, 1]}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, -2, 0, 0, 0\} = \frac{\sqrt{2} Xsq[-1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, -2, 2, 2, 6\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} X[1, -1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, 0, 1, 1, 0\} = \frac{\sqrt{3} (X[0, 1] X[1, -1] - X[0, -1] X[1, 1])}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, 0, 2, 2, 0\} = \frac{\sqrt{3} X[1, -1] X[1, 1]}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{2, 2, 0, 0, 0\} = \frac{\sqrt{2} Xsq[1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$\mathcal{Y}\{K, Q, J, m, \nu\}$

$$Y\{2, 2, 2, 2, -6\} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2}{2}} X[1, 1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -3, 1, 1, 2\} = \frac{\sqrt{3} X[1, -1] Xsq[-1]^2}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -3, 3, 3, 12\} = \frac{\sqrt{5} X[1, -1]^3}{2 \pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -1, 1, 1, -6\} = \frac{\sqrt{6} \left( -\frac{1}{2} Xsq^2 X[1, -1] + X[1, 1] Xsq[-1]^2 \right)}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -1, 2, 2, 10\} = \frac{\sqrt{5} X[1, -1] (X[0, 1] X[1, -1] - X[0, -1] X[1, 1])}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, -1, 3, 3, 4\} = \frac{\sqrt{15} X[1, -1]^2 X[1, 1]}{2 \pi^{3/2}}$$

$$Y\{3, 1, 1, 1, 6\} = \frac{\sqrt{6} \left( -\frac{1}{2} Xsq^2 X[1, 1] + X[1, -1] Xsq[1]^2 \right)}{\pi^{3/2}}$$

# Particle permutations

- Transformations are easily inferred since:

$$\mathcal{T}_{12} : \lambda \rightarrow \lambda, \quad \rho \rightarrow -\rho,$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{23} : \lambda \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}\lambda + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\rho, \quad \rho \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\rho + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda,$$

$$\mathcal{T}_{31} : \lambda \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2}\lambda - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\rho, \quad \rho \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\rho - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\lambda.$$



$$\mathcal{T}_{12} : X_i^\pm \rightarrow X_i^\mp, \quad \mathcal{T}_{23} : X_i^\pm \rightarrow e^{\pm \frac{2i\pi}{3}} X_i^\mp, \quad \mathcal{T}_{31} : X_i^\pm \rightarrow e^{\mp \frac{2i\pi}{3}} X_i^\mp.$$



$$\mathcal{T}_{ab} : Q \rightarrow -Q, \quad K \rightarrow K, \quad J_{ij} \rightarrow J_{ij}, \quad \nu \rightarrow \pm \nu$$

# “Core polynomials”

- Building blocks – two SO(3) vectors  $\mathbf{X}^+$  and  $\mathbf{X}^-$
- Start from polynomials sharp in Q:

$$\mathcal{P}_{J_+ m_+ J_- m_-}^{d_+ d_-}(\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbf{X}^+ \cdot \mathbf{X}^+)^{\frac{d_+ - J_+}{2}} \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}_{3, m_+}^{J_+}(\mathbf{X}^+) \left| (\mathbf{X}^- \cdot \mathbf{X}^-)^{\frac{d_- - J_-}{2}} \tilde{\mathcal{Y}}_{3, m_-}^{J_-}(\mathbf{X}^-) \right.$$

- Define “core polynomials” sharp in J, m and Q:

$$\mathcal{P}_{(J_+ J_-) J, m}^{\bar{K} Q}(\mathbf{X}) \equiv \sum_{m_+, m_-} C_{m_+ m_-}^{J_+ J_- J} \mathcal{P}_{J_+ m_+ J_- m_-}^{\frac{\bar{K} + Q}{2} \frac{\bar{K} - Q}{2}}(\mathbf{X})$$

Core polynomial  
certainly contains  
component with  
 $\bar{K} = K$  but also  
lower K components

$$\leftarrow J_+ + J_- = J \text{ or } J_+ + J_- = J + 1$$

# “Harmonizing” polynomials

- Let  $\mathcal{P}_a(X)$ ,  $a = 1, 2, 3\dots$  be shortened notation for all core polynomials with  $K$  values less than some given  $\bar{K}$
- Harmonic polynomials are obtained as ortho-complement w.r.t. polynomials with lesser  $K$ , *i.e.:*

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}(J_+J_-)J,m}^{\bar{K}Q}(X) = \mathcal{P}_{(J_+J_-)J,m}^{\bar{K}Q}(X) - \sum_a c_a R^{\bar{K}-K_a} \mathcal{P}_a(X),$$

where  $c_a$  are deduced from requirement:

$$\langle \mathcal{P}_a | \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}(J_+J_-)J,m}^{\bar{K}Q} \rangle = 0$$

Scalar product of  
core polynomials

$$c_a = \sum_b (M^{-1})_{ab} A_b, \quad \text{with: } M_{ab} \equiv \langle \mathcal{P}_a | \mathcal{P}_b \rangle, \quad A_a \equiv \langle \mathcal{P}_a | \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}(J_+J_-)J,m}^{\bar{K}Q} \rangle$$

# Scalar product of polynomials on

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\langle \mathcal{P}_{(J'_+, J'_-), J', m'}^{\overline{K}' Q'} \left| \mathcal{P}_{(J_+, J_-), J, m}^{\overline{K} Q} \right. \right\rangle = \delta_{mm'} \left\langle \mathcal{P}_{(J'_+, J'_-), J', J'}^{\overline{K}' Q'} \left| \mathcal{P}_{(J_+, J_-), J, J}^{\overline{K} Q} \right. \right\rangle \\
 = & \begin{cases} \frac{2\pi^3 \delta_{QQ'} \delta_{JJ'} \delta_{mm'}}{(2 + \frac{\overline{K} + \overline{K}'}{2})!} \sum_{l=0}^{\frac{k^+}{2}} 2^{2l+J_++J'_-} \binom{\frac{k^+}{2}}{l} & \text{if } \overline{K} - J \equiv \overline{K}' - J' \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ \binom{\frac{k^+}{2} + J_+ - J'_+}{\frac{k^+}{2} - l} (l + J_+)! (l + J'_-)! (k^+ - 2l)! & \\ \\ \frac{2\pi^3 \delta_{QQ'} \delta_{JJ'} \delta_{mm'}}{(2 + \frac{\overline{K} + \overline{K}'}{2})!} \frac{2\sqrt{J_+ J_- J'_+ J'_-}}{1 + J} \sum_{l=0}^{\frac{k^+}{2}} 2^{2l+J_++J'_-} \binom{\frac{k^+}{2}}{l} & \\ \left( \binom{\frac{k^+}{2} + J_+ - J'_+}{\frac{k^+}{2} - l} (l + J_+ - 1)! (l + J'_- - 1)! (k^+ - 2l + 1)! \frac{l + J_+ + 1}{2} \right) & \text{if } \overline{K} - J \equiv \overline{K}' - J' \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \\ - \binom{\frac{k^+}{2} + J_+ - J'_+}{\frac{k^+}{2} - l - 1} (l + J_+)! (l + J'_-)! (k^+ - 2l)! & \\ \\ 0 & \text{if } \overline{K} - J \not\equiv \overline{K}' - J' \pmod{2}, \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

- that for core polynomials eventually leads to a closed-form expression...
- Integral of any number of polynomials can be evaluated (e.g. matrix elements)

E.g. this can be  $(\rho \times \lambda)^2$   
or often used operator

$$\sum_{ij} J_i Q_{ij} J_j$$

# Multiplicity

- Exist nonorthogonal  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}(J_+ J_-)J,m}^{KQ}(X)$  and  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}(J'_+ J'_-)J,m}^{KQ}(X)$
- Degenerated subspace:  $\{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}_a} | a = 1, 2, \dots, \dim V_{J,m}^{K,Q}\}$
- We remove multiplicity by using physically appropriate operator  $\mathcal{V}$ ,  $[\mathcal{V}, Q] = [\mathcal{V}, J_{ij}] = 0$  and obtain orthonormalized spherical harmonic polynomials as:

$$Y_a(X) = \sum_b (M^{-\frac{1}{2}} U)_{ab} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}b}$$

- where  $M_{ab} \equiv \langle \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}a} | \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{H}b} \rangle$  and  $U$  is a matrix such that:

$$U^{-1} (M^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{V} M^{-\frac{1}{2}}) U = \text{diag}(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\dim})$$

# Now we can solve problems by h.s.h. decomposition

- Schrodinger equation – coupled d.e. in  $\psi_{[m]}^K(R)$  :

$$-\frac{1}{2\mu} \left[ \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \frac{5}{R} \frac{d}{dR} - \frac{K(K+4)}{R^2} + 2\mu E \right] \psi_{[m]}^K(R) + V_{\text{eff.}}(R) \sum_{K', [m']} C_{[m][m']}^{K, K'} \psi_{[m']}^{K'}(R) = 0$$

- where:

$$C_{[m''] [m']}^{K'' K'} = \delta_{K'', K'} \delta_{[m''], [m']} + \pi \sqrt{\pi} \sum_{K > 0, Q}^{\infty} \frac{v_{K, Q}^{3\text{-body}}}{v_{00}^{3\text{-body}}} \langle \mathcal{Y}_{[m'']}^{K''}(\Omega_5) | \mathcal{Y}_{00}^{K, Q, v}(\alpha, \phi) | \mathcal{Y}_{[m']}^{K'}(\Omega_5) \rangle$$

- In the first order p.t. this can be diagonalized into:

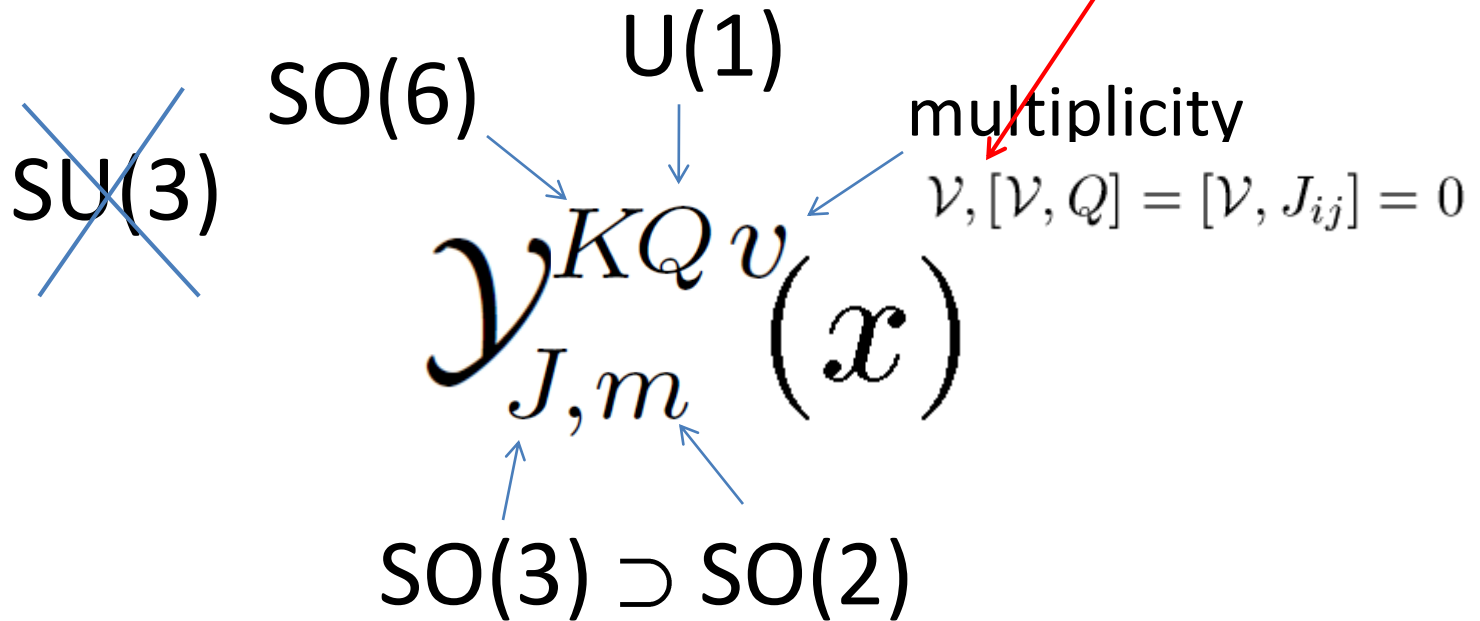
$$\left[ \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \frac{5}{R} \frac{d}{dR} - \frac{K(K+4)}{R^2} + 2\mu(E - V_{[m_d]}^K(R)) \right] \psi_{[m_d]}^K(R) = 0$$

# Quantum numbers

E.g. in SU(3) context  
often is used operator

$$\sum_{ij} J_i Q_{ij} J_j$$

- Labels of SO(6) hyper-spherical harmonics



$$U(1) \otimes SO(3)_{rot} \subset U(3) \subset SO(6)$$