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$$|\psi\rangle = Y_1^{-1}$$

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What values of L_x will a measurement find and with what probabilities?

$$L_x X = \hbar \alpha X$$

$$\text{let } L_x = \frac{L_+ + L_-}{2}$$

$$X = a Y_1^{-1} + b Y_1^0 + c Y_1^{-1}$$

$$\left(\frac{L_+ + L_-}{2}\right)(a Y_1^{-1} + b Y_1^0 + c Y_1^{-1}) = \hbar \alpha X$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{2} (0 + b\sqrt{2} Y_1^{-1} + c\sqrt{2} Y_1^0 + a\sqrt{2} Y_1^0 + b\sqrt{2} Y_1^{-1}) =$$

$$\hbar \alpha (a Y_1^{-1} + b Y_1^0 + c Y_1^{-1})$$

$$\frac{\hbar}{2} \left[b Y_1^{-1} + (a+c) Y_1^0 + b Y_1^{-1} \right] =$$

$$\hbar \alpha (a Y_1^{-1} + b Y_1^0 + c Y_1^{-1})$$

$$Y_1^{-1} \left(\frac{b}{\sqrt{2}} - \alpha a \right) + Y_1^0 \left(\frac{a+c}{\sqrt{2}} - \alpha b \right) + Y_1^{-1} \left(\frac{b}{\sqrt{2}} - \alpha c \right)$$

$$= 0$$

$$Y_1^{-1} (\sqrt{2} \alpha a - b) + Y_1^0 (\sqrt{2} \alpha b - a - c) + Y_1^{-1} (\sqrt{2} \alpha c - b) = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \sqrt{2} \alpha & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & \sqrt{2} \alpha & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & \sqrt{2} \alpha \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\sqrt{2} \alpha (2\alpha^2 - 1) - (+1)(+\sqrt{2} \alpha) + 0 = 0$$

$$\sqrt{2} 2\alpha^3 - \sqrt{2} \alpha - \sqrt{2} \alpha = 0$$

$$2\alpha(\alpha^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 0 \text{ or } \alpha = \pm 1$$

$$\text{Now } \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2}\alpha & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & \sqrt{2}\alpha & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & \sqrt{2}\alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

for $\alpha = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -b \\ -a - c \\ -b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore b = 0 \quad a = -c$$

$$\therefore X_0 = (Y_1' - Y_1^{-1}) A_0$$

Normalize

$$\begin{aligned} \langle X_0 | X_0 \rangle = 1 &= (\langle Y_1' | - \langle Y_1^{-1} |) (|Y_1'\rangle - |Y_1^{-1}\rangle) A_0^2 \\ &= (1 + 1) A_0^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$A_0^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore X_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (Y_1' - Y_1^{-1})$$

for $\alpha = \pm 1$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} \pm\sqrt{2} & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & \pm\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & \pm\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \pm\sqrt{2}a - b \\ -a \pm\sqrt{2}b \\ -b \pm\sqrt{2}c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore b = \pm\sqrt{2}a = \pm\sqrt{2}c$$

$$\therefore a = c$$

$$X_{\pm} = A_{\pm} (Y_1' \pm \sqrt{2} Y_1^0 + Y_1'')$$

Normalizing

$$\begin{aligned} \langle X_{\pm} | X_{\pm} \rangle = 1 &= A_{\pm}^2 \left(\langle Y_1' | \pm \sqrt{2} \langle Y_1^0 | + \langle Y_1'' | \right) \\ &\quad \left(|Y_1'\rangle \pm \sqrt{2} |Y_1^0\rangle + |Y_1''\rangle \right) \\ &= A_{\pm}^2 (1 + 2 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

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

$$X_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (Y_1' \pm \sqrt{2} Y_1^0 + Y_1'')$$

By inspection $|\psi(t=0)\rangle = Y_1' = \frac{X_+ + X_- - \sqrt{2} X_0}{2}$

\therefore Measurement of \hat{L}_y will find values $0\hbar, +\hbar, -\hbar$ with relative probabilities of $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$.