

$$\psi(x, y, z) = c(xy + xz + zx)e^{-\alpha r^2}$$

Spherically symmetric potential -> spherical coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}x &= r \sin \theta \cos \varphi \\y &= r \sin \theta \sin \varphi \\z &= r \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

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Let's write the wavefunction in terms of spherical harmonics

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Goal: write this expression in function of spherical harmonics



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We obtain a linear combination of spherical harmonics when the particle is in the states:

L = 2; m=-2

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$$\hbar^2 l(l+1) = 6\hbar^2$$



L=2 100% probability

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