

Physics 481

Quantum Mechanics II

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Class meets:
MWF 10:30-11:20am
WAT 114

Recommended Textbook:
Introduction to Quantum Mechanics
David J. Griffiths

Topics to be covered:

Angular momentum
Identical particles
Perturbation Theory
Scattering
The WKB Approximation

Grading:

The course grade will be based on homework and exams

- ~60% -- homework
- ~20% -- midterms
- ~20% -- final

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the successful completion of this course, students will be expected to:

- 1) Understand the quantization of angular momentum for single and multi-particle states

- 2) Treat systems of multiple particles, including those where the particles are distinguishable, identical bosons, and identical fermions
- 3) Be able to compute perturbations to wavefunctions and energies in a small-parameter expansion, as well compute approximate solutions to Schroedinger's equations
- 4) Compute basic scattering amplitudes