

your name(s) KEY

Physics 321 Quiz #11 - Friday, April. 12 2019

Work in groups of 3 or less.

1. (5 pts) Consider a mass m that moves according to the following potential,

$$V(x, y, z) = \frac{V_0}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + a^2}}$$

Which of the following quantities are conserved? (Momentum is \vec{p} , angular momentum is \vec{L} and the energy is E)

Circle the conserved quantities.

- (a) p_x
- (b) p_y
- (c) p_z
- (d) L_x
- (e) L_y
- (f) L_z
- (g) E
- (h) $|\vec{p}|$
- (i) $|\vec{L}|$

2. (5 pts) Consider a mass m that moves according to the following potential,

$$V(x, y, z) = \frac{V_0}{|x| + a}$$

Which of the following quantities are conserved? (Momentum is \vec{p} , angular momentum is \vec{L} and the energy is E)

Circle the conserved quantities.

- (a) p_x
- (b) p_y
- (c) p_z
- (d) L_x
- (e) L_y
- (f) L_z
- (g) E
- (h) $|\vec{p}|$
- (i) $|\vec{L}|$

3. (5 pts) Consider a mass m that moves according to the following potential,

$$V(x, y, z) = \frac{k}{2}(x + y)^2.$$

Name as many independently conserved quantities as you can.

$p_x - p_y, L_x + L_y, E, p_z$