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Warm-up: Hydrogen (including spin)

How many states with $n=2$?

a) $|n=2, l, m_l, m_s\rangle$ (uncoupled)

b) $|n=2, l, j, m_j\rangle$ (coupled)

a)
 $\Rightarrow n=2, l=0,1, m_l=0$
 $= -1, 0, 1$

$$m_s = -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\# \text{ of states} = 4 \times 2 = \boxed{8 \text{ states}}$$

b)

$S = \frac{1}{2}$			$J = L + S$
l	j	m_j	
0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}$	
1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}$	
1	$\frac{3}{2}$	$\pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{3}{2}$	

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{8 \text{ states.}}$$

* Revise addition of angular momentum: just what the j & s variables mean in coupled basis and what values they can take in coupled basis.

* Do problems on angular momentum addition from lin series.

Zeeman Effect in Hydrogen

- apply $\vec{B} = B\hat{e}_z$

$$V_B = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{\mu} = -\frac{e}{2m_e} \vec{L} - \frac{e}{m_e} \vec{S} \quad (e > 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow V_B = \frac{eB}{2m_e} (L_z + 2S_z)$$

$$\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$$

$$[V_B, \sigma_z] = \frac{eB}{2m_e} [L_z + 2S_z, L_z + S_z] = 0$$

$\Rightarrow m_j$ is conserved

$$[V_B, \vec{L}^2] = 0 = [V_B, \vec{S}^2]$$

(from results of momentum algebra)

$$[V_B, L_z] = 0 = [V_B, S_z]$$

$\Rightarrow V_B$ is diagonalized in uncoupled basis $|n \ell m_\ell m_s\rangle$

$$\text{but : } [V_B, \vec{J}^2] \neq 0$$

- with relativistic corrections :

diagonal in:

$$V = \underbrace{V_{KE}}_{\text{both}} + \underbrace{V_D}_{\text{coupled}} + \underbrace{V_{LS}}_{\text{uncoupled}} + V_B$$

$$(|n l j m_j\rangle) \quad (|n l m_l m_s\rangle)$$

$$[V, J_z] = 0 \rightarrow m_j \text{ conserved}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} m_j \\ m_j \\ m_j \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

* Exercise

Neglect relativistic corrections

- Find $\Delta^{(1)}$ due to V_B
- V_B is diag. in $|n l m_l m_s\rangle$ basis.

$\Rightarrow$ inner product $\langle n l' m_l' m_s' | V_B | n l m_l m_s \rangle$

$$[V_B]_{n=2} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle n=2, l=0, m_l=0, m_s=\frac{1}{2} | V_B | n=2, l=0, m_l=0, m_s=\frac{1}{2} \rangle & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \langle \dots \rangle & \\ & & \langle \dots \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta_{n l m_l m_s}^{(1)} = \langle n l m_l m_s | V_B | n l m_l m_s \rangle$$

$$= \langle n l m_l m_s | \frac{eB}{2m_e} (\underbrace{L_z}_{\hbar m_l} + 2 \underbrace{S_z}_{\hbar m_s}) | n l m_l m_s \rangle$$

1st order
energy shift
without
relativistic
effects

$$\Delta^{(1)} = \left(\frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} \right) B \cdot (m_l + 2m_s) = \underbrace{\mu_B}_{\text{Bohr magneton}} B (m_l + 2m_s)$$

Bohr magneton:
 $9.27 \times 10^{-24} \text{ J/T}$

Consider $B = 1 \text{ T}$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta^{(1)} \sim \mu_B B \sim \boxed{10^{-23} \text{ J}}$$

Compare to relativistic

$$\Delta_{\text{REL}}^{(1)} \sim \alpha^4 m_e c^2 \sim \boxed{10^{-22} \text{ J}}$$

Zeeaman + Relativistic effects

- $V = V_{\text{rel}} + V_B$
- conserved: $[V_B, J_z] = 0 \rightarrow m_j$
 $[V_B, \vec{L}^2] = 0 \rightarrow l$
 $\rightarrow$ coupled basis $|n l j m_j\rangle$

Find eigenvalues / vectors of matrices:

$$[V_{nl m_j}]_{j,j'} = \langle n l j' m_j | V | n l j m_j \rangle$$

blocks

• for $l=0$: $j = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 1 \times 1$ matrix

• for $l > 0$: $j = l \pm \frac{1}{2}$, $|m_j| \leq j$

• If $|m_j| = l + \frac{1}{2}$, then $j = l + \frac{1}{2}$

in that case

$\rightarrow 1 \times 1$ matrix

• If $|m_j| < l + \frac{1}{2}$ then $j = l \pm \frac{1}{2}$

$\rightarrow 2 \times 2$ matrix

Ex:

$$m_j = 3/2 \rightarrow j = 3/2 \rightarrow 1 \times 1$$

$$m_j = 1/2 \rightarrow j = 1/2, 3/2 \rightarrow 2 \times 2$$

$$l=0 \quad 1 \times 1 \quad 1 + 1 + 4/2 = 2$$

$$l=1 \quad 2 \quad 2 \times 2$$

$$2 \quad 1 \times 1$$

* would be useful on homework problem.

