

Quantum theory of diamagnetism

Consider the case of a solid composed of atoms/ions whose all electronic ~~shell~~ shells are filled. An ion has zero spin and orbital angular momentum in its ground state & represented by the wavefunction ϕ_0 , i.e.

$$J|\phi_0\rangle = L|\phi_0\rangle = S|\phi_0\rangle = 0.$$

⑤ In this case, only the second term in equation ~~survive~~ survive.

~~change~~ change in ground state energy

$$\Delta E_0 = \frac{e^2}{8m} B_0^2 \langle \phi_0 | \sum_i (x_i^2 + y_i^2) | \phi_0 \rangle$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{8m} B_0^2 \langle \phi_0 |$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{8m} B_0^2 \frac{2}{3} \langle \phi_0 | \sum_i r_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle$$

$$\Delta E_0 = \frac{e^2 B_0^2}{12m} \langle \phi_0 | \sum_i r_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle$$

[For completely filled shell electron distribution is spherically symmetric
 $\langle \phi_0 | \sum_i x_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle = \langle \phi_0 | \sum_i y_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle = \frac{1}{3} \langle \phi_0 | \sum_i r_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle$]

In the state of thermal equilibrium ions are generally in their ground state, excepting the situation at high temperature. Therefore, the susceptibility of a solid with N atoms or ions per unit volume at room temp. is given by

$$\chi = \mu_0 \frac{\partial M}{\partial B_0} = \mu_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial B_0} \left[-N \frac{\partial E_0}{\partial B_0} \right] = -\mu_0 N \frac{\partial^2 (\Delta E_0)}{\partial B_0^2}$$

$$= -\mu_0 N \frac{e^2 B_0^2}{12m} = -\mu_0 N \frac{e^2}{6m} \langle \phi_0 | \sum_i r_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle$$

If there are Z electrons in an atom/ion, mean square radius of the ion may be defined by

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{\langle \phi_0 | \sum_i r_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle}{Z}$$

This leads to

$$x = - \frac{\mu_0 N Z e^2}{6m} \langle r^2 \rangle$$

This is the same expression we obtained with classical formulation.

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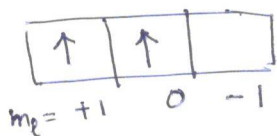
Quantum theory of paramagnetism

Consider the case of a solid composed of atoms/ions whose electronic shell is partially filled. In this case for all completely filled shell $L=0, S=0$, but for the partially filled shell $L \neq 0, S \neq 0$.

~~in~~ In this situation ($L \neq 0, S \neq 0$), two cases may arise

(i) $J=0$ (partially filled shell is one electron short of being half filled)

An example



$$S = 1$$

$$L = 1$$

Since the shell is less than half filled
 $J = L - S = 0$

~~(ii) $J \neq 0$, all other cases of partially filled shell.~~

In this case first term of energy shift vanish

$$\Delta E_0 = \mu_B \vec{B}_0 \cdot \langle \phi_0 | \vec{L} + g_s \vec{S} | \phi_0 \rangle + \frac{e^2}{8m} B_0^2 \langle \phi_0 | \sum_i x_i^2 + y_i^2 | \phi_0 \rangle$$

\downarrow
 $0 \text{ for } J=0$
 (will prove it)

$$+ \sum_{n'} \frac{|\langle \phi_0 | \mu_B \vec{B}_0 \cdot (\vec{L} + g_s \vec{S}) | \phi_{n'} \rangle|^2}{E_0 - E_{n'}}$$

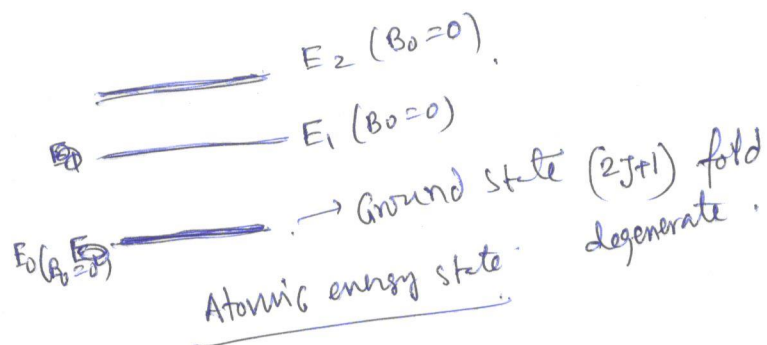
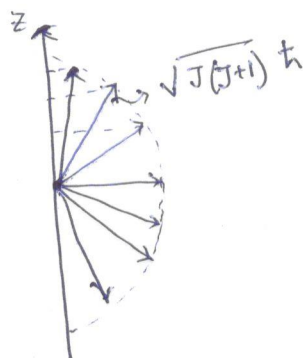
In this case other two terms contribute to magnetic behavior of solid.

Second term is the expression in diamagnetic contribution, and third term gives positive contribution (opposite to diamagnetic term) in terms of paramagnetism, known as 'Van Vleck paramagnetism'.

(ii) Second case, $J \neq 0$ in other situations of partially filled shell. Then ~~the~~ first term becomes so much larger than the other two terms that they can safely be ignored.

Thus, $\Delta E_0 \approx \mu_B \vec{B}_0 \cdot \langle \phi_0 | \vec{L} + g_s \vec{S} | \phi_0 \rangle$

In this case also, at temperature not too high, atoms/ions ~~rem~~ mainly remain in their ground state. The ground state [with $J \neq 0$] is $(2J+1)$ fold degenerate ($m_J = -J, \dots, 0, \dots, +J$).



When $\vec{B}_0 = 0$,
all these ~~states~~ $(2J+1)$ ~~states~~
are degenerate.

When magnetic field is applied ($B_0 \neq 0$), the degenerated states of ~~the~~ ground states, ~~are~~ acquire different energy, so degeneracy is lifted.

Let me first calculate ΔE_0 .

$$\Delta E_0 = \mu_B \vec{B}_0 \cdot \langle \phi_0 | \vec{L} + g_s \vec{S} | \phi_0 \rangle = \mu_B B_0 \langle \phi_0 | L_z + g_s S_z | \phi_0 \rangle$$

~~$|\phi_0\rangle$~~ This is a problem of diagonalization
($2J+1$) fold square matrix.

$|\phi_0\rangle \rightarrow |J L S J_z\rangle$ with different J_z . According to Hund's third rule, all possible $J_z = -J, \dots, 0, \dots, +J$, have same energy for given J, L, S .

~~Here, $\Delta E_0 = \mu_B B_0 \cdot \langle J L S J_z | L_z + g_s S_z | J L S J_z \rangle$~~

~~use~~ We can diagonalize the matrix simply by Wigner-Eckart theorem, which states that matrix elements of any vector operator in the $(2J+1)$ -dimensional space of eigenstates of J^2 and J_z with a given value of J , are proportional to the ~~max~~ matrix elements of J itself:

Wigner-Eckart Theorem

$$\langle JLSJ_z | \vec{L} + g_s \vec{S} | JLSJ_z' \rangle = g(JLS) \langle JLSJ_z | \vec{J} | JLSJ_z' \rangle$$

Sometimes it is written in shorthand notation

$$\vec{L} + g_s \vec{S} = g \vec{J} \quad (\text{equality is valid for their matrix elements}),$$

For our given problem

$$\begin{aligned} \langle JLSJ_z | L_z + g_s S_z | JLSJ_z' \rangle &= g(JLS) \langle JLSJ_z | J_z | JLSJ_z' \rangle \\ &= g J_z \delta_{J_z, J_z'} \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

Large-g factor $g = \frac{1}{2}(g_s+1) - \frac{1}{2}(g_s-1) \frac{L(L+1) - S(S+1)}{J(J+1)}$

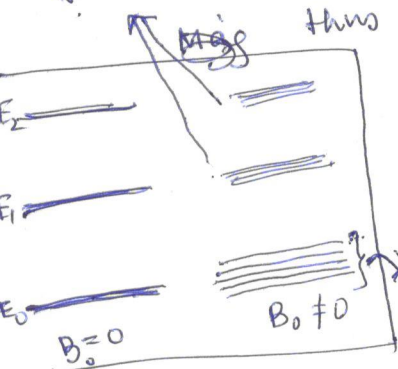
taking $g_s = 2$ for electron

$$g = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{S(S+1) - L(L+1)}{J(J+1)} \right]$$

Using result (1) we can get

$$\Delta E_0 = \mu_B B_0 g J_z \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

occupancy is very less



thus energy of the ground state ~~(E_0)~~ now modifies to

$$E_0(B) = E_0(B=0) + \Delta E_0 (\mu_B B_0 g J_z)$$

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We know Magnetization $M = -N \frac{\partial F}{\partial B_0}$

Susceptibility $\chi = \mu_0 \frac{\partial M}{\partial B_0}$

where $e^{-F/k_B T} = \sum_i e^{-E_i/k_B T}$

$$e^{-F/k_B T} = \sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} e^{-\frac{E_0(B_0=0) + \mu_B B_0 g J_z}{k_B T}}$$

$$e^{-F/k_B T} = e^{-\frac{E_0(B_0=0)}{k_B T}} \sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} e^{-\frac{\mu_B B_0 g J_z}{k_B T}}$$

$$\ln(e^{-F/k_B T}) = \ln\left(e^{-\frac{E_0(B_0=0)}{k_B T}}\right) + \ln\left(\sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} e^{-\frac{\mu_B B_0 g J_z}{k_B T}}\right)$$

taking derivative w.r.t B_0 .

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial B_0} \left[\ln e^{-F/k_B T} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial B_0} \left[\ln \sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} e^{-\frac{\mu_B B_0 g J_z}{k_B T}} \right]$$

Let $\beta = \frac{1}{k_B T}$ and $\gamma = g \mu_B$.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial B_0} \left[\ln e^{-\beta F} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial B_0} \left[\ln \sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 J_z} \right]$$

$$\frac{e^{-\beta F}}{e^{-\beta F}} \times \left(-\beta \frac{\partial F}{\partial B_0} \right) = \frac{\sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} [(-\beta \gamma J_z) e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 J_z}]}{\sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 J_z}}$$

$$+\beta \frac{\partial F}{\partial B_0} = \frac{\sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} (\beta \gamma J_z) e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 J_z}}{\sum_{J_z=-J}^{+J} e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 J_z}}$$

$$\beta \frac{\partial F}{\partial B_0} = \frac{\beta \gamma \left[J e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 J} + (J-1) e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 (J-1)} + \dots + (-J) e^{\beta \gamma B_0 J} \right]}{\left[e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 J} + e^{-\beta \gamma B_0 (J-1)} + \dots + e^{\beta \gamma B_0 J} \right]}$$

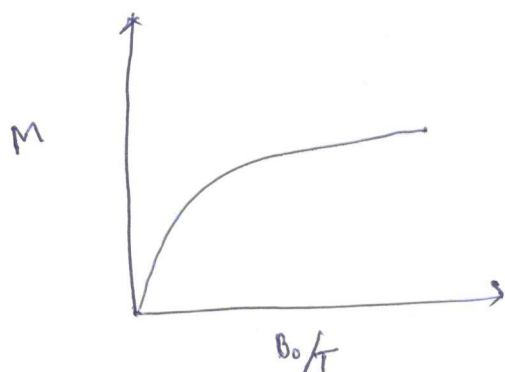
$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial B_0} = -\gamma J B_J(\beta \gamma J B_0) = -\gamma J B_J(x) \text{ where } x = \beta \gamma J B_0$$

$$\text{where } B_J(x) = \frac{2J+1}{2J} \coth \frac{2J+1}{2J} x - \frac{1}{2J} \coth \frac{1}{2J} x$$

thus ~~mag~~ magnetization

$$M = -N \frac{\partial F}{\partial B_0}$$

$$= N g J B_J(x)$$



The behavior matches very well with experiment.

→ over a wide temp. range ~~no~~ $g \mu_B B_0 \ll k_B T$.
then $x (= \frac{g \mu_B B_0}{k_B T})$ is very small.

we can expand 'Coth' function in $B_J(x)$

$$B_J(x) \approx \frac{(2J+1)}{2J} \left[\frac{2J}{(2J+1)x} + \frac{(2J+1)x}{3 \times (2J)} \right] - \frac{1}{2J} \left[\frac{2J}{x} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{x}{2J} \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{J+1}{3J} \right) x$$

thus $g \mu_B B_0 \ll k_B T$ limit.

$$M = N g J B_J(x) = N g J \left(\frac{J+1}{3J} \right) x$$

$$M = N (\mu_B g) J \left(\frac{J+1}{3J} \right) \left(\frac{g \mu_B B_0}{k_B T} \right)$$

$$= \frac{N J (J+1) g^2 \mu_B^2}{3 k_B T} B_0$$

$$\chi = \mu_0 \frac{\partial M}{\partial B_0} = \frac{\mu_0 N J (J+1) g^2 \mu_B^2}{3 k_B T} = \frac{C}{T}$$