

How should we define two particles as being antisymmetric or symmetric to each other?

→  $\psi_{\text{sym}}$

$$\psi_{\text{sym}} = \frac{\psi(1,2) + \psi(2,1)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

→  $\psi_{\text{anti}}$

$$\psi_{\text{anti}} = \frac{\psi(1,2) - \psi(2,1)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

where  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  is the normalization constant in both cases.

However, we are still neglecting to consider something. Let us use He as an example:

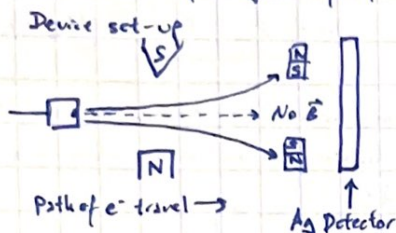
He =  $1s^2$ , where A =  $1s$  and B =  $1s$ . In this case, the total wave function is described as:

$$\psi_{\text{He}} = \frac{\psi_{1s}(1)\psi_{1s}(2) - \psi_{1s}(2)\psi_{1s}(1)}{\sqrt{2}} = 0$$

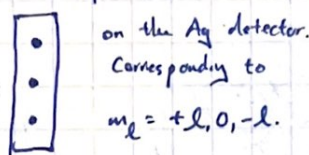
The wave function describing  $2e^-$  in Helium cannot be 0. We are missing the spin, which distinguishes one particle from another.

### Stern-Gerlach Experiment:

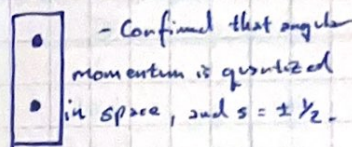
→ Consideration of magnetic field



If the electron is in state  $l=1$ , we would expect to see:



However, the experimental results obtained appeared like:



The spin of an  $e^-$  corresponds to a new type of angular momentum, and is the "fourth quantum number".

→ Since  $L_z = m_l \hbar$ ,  $m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2} \hbar$ .

The spin operator,  $\hat{S}$ , when applied to a ~~measured spin,  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$~~  ~~function~~, will return  $m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2} \hbar$ . These two states are defined as  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , which correspond to up and down spin respectively:

$$\hat{S}_z \psi_{m_s} = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \psi_{m_s} = \alpha \quad (\uparrow) \quad \hat{S}_z \psi_{m_s} = -\frac{1}{2} \hbar \psi_{m_s} = \beta \quad (\downarrow)$$

$$E_{\text{tot}} = E_{\text{orb}} + E_{\text{spin}}, \quad \psi_e = \psi_{n, \ell, m_\ell}(\vec{r}) \cdot \begin{Bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{Bmatrix}$$

Modifying the expression for  $\psi_{\text{He}}$ , we get:

$$\psi_{\text{He}} = \frac{\psi_{1s}(1)\alpha(1)\psi_{1s}(2)\beta(2) - \psi_{1s}(2)\alpha(2)\psi_{1s}(1)\beta(1)}{\sqrt{2}} = \psi_{1s}(1)\psi_{1s}(2) \frac{\alpha(1)\beta(2) - \alpha(2)\beta(1)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

"Spin cone"

Similar to how

$\hat{S}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_z \alpha &= \frac{1}{2} \hbar \alpha & \hat{S}^2 \alpha &= \frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 \alpha = \hbar^2 s(s+1) \alpha \\ \hat{S}_z \beta &= -\frac{1}{2} \hbar \beta & \hat{S}^2 \beta &= \frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 \beta = \hbar^2 s(s+1) \beta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_x \alpha &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \beta \rightarrow \text{Not an eigenfunction} \\ \hat{S}_x \beta &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \alpha \rightarrow \text{Not an eigenfunction} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_x (\alpha + \beta) &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \beta + \frac{\hbar}{2} \alpha \rightarrow \text{eigenfunction} \\ \hat{S}_x (\alpha - \beta) &\text{ also an eigenfunction.} \end{aligned}$$

-  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are not eigenfunctions of  $S_x$  and  $S_y$ , as shown:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_x \alpha &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \beta \\ \hat{S}_x \beta &= \frac{\hbar}{2} \alpha \\ \hat{S}_y \alpha &= \frac{i\hbar}{2} \beta \\ \hat{S}_y \beta &= -\frac{i\hbar}{2} \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are orthogonal to each other and normalized

$$\begin{aligned} \int \alpha^* \alpha d\tau &= \int \beta^* \beta d\tau = 1 \\ \int \alpha^* \beta d\tau &= \int \beta^* \alpha d\tau = 0 \end{aligned}$$



$\Psi = \alpha + \beta$ : Is this wave function an eigenfunction of the  $\hat{S}_z$  operator?

$$\hat{S}_z \Psi = \hat{S}_z \alpha + \hat{S}_z \beta = \frac{1}{2} \alpha - \frac{1}{2} \beta = \frac{1}{2} (\alpha - \beta)$$

$\mu_0$  has equal probability of measuring  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $z$ .

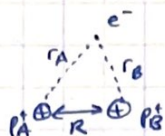
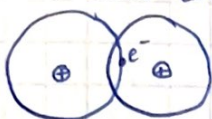
Is  $\Psi = \alpha + \beta$  an eigenfunction of the spin operator,  $\hat{S}$ ?

$$\hat{S} \Psi = \frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 (\alpha + \beta) \quad \text{Yes}$$

Is  $\Psi = \alpha + \beta$  an eigenfunction of the  $x$  operator,  $\hat{S}_x$ ?

$$\hat{S}_x \Psi = \frac{1}{2} \beta + \frac{1}{2} \alpha = \frac{1}{2} (\alpha + \beta)$$

Chemical Bonds - Consider  $H_2^+$



Note that  $|\Delta E|$  from  $e^- + p^+$  is 1312 kJ/mol (H)

Similarly,  $|\Delta E|$  from  $H \rightarrow H_2$  is 436 kJ/mol

→ Forming diatomic hydrogen is very favorable in comparison to the formation of H from  $p^+$  and  $e^-$

"MOCAO" or "LCAO" - Linear combination of orbitals

$$K = K_e + K_A + K_B$$

$$U = -\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{r_A} - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{r_B} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{R}$$

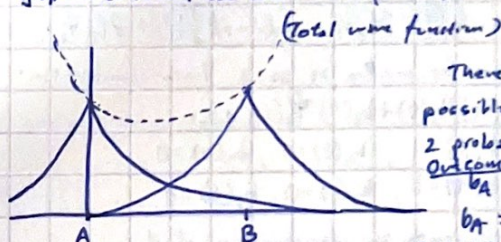
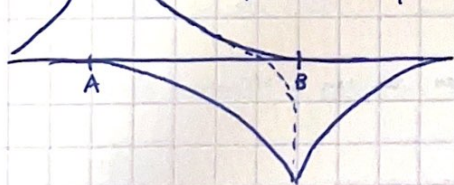
The Probability Statement may be expanded to

$$P = |\Psi|^2 = \frac{|\Psi_A|^2 + |\Psi_B|^2 + \Psi_A^* \Psi_B + \Psi_A \Psi_B^*}{N}$$

The most  $e^-$  density is at the midpoint b/w A and B.

$$P = |\Psi|^2 = \frac{|\Psi_A|^2 + |\Psi_B|^2 - \Psi_A^* \Psi_B + \Psi_A \Psi_B^*}{N}$$

Corresponds to the following antibonding orbital: "Destructive interference"



There are also two possible outcomes with 2 probabilities:

Outcomes:  $b_A = b_B$ , or  $b_A = -b_B$ .

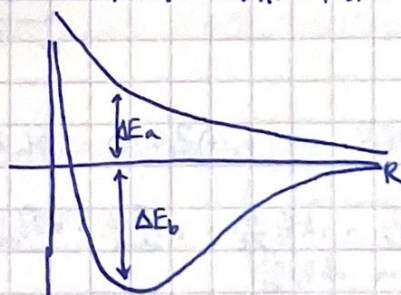
Probabilities:

$$|b_A|^2 = |b_B|^2$$

And 2 options for the wave function:

$$\Psi = \frac{\Psi_A + \Psi_B}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } \Psi = \frac{\Psi_A - \Psi_B}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$P = |\Psi|^2 = |\Psi_A|^2 + |\Psi_B|^2$$



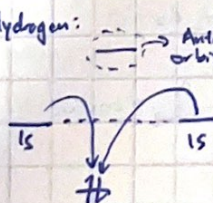
Where  
a = antibonding  
b = bonding

Note that  $\Delta E_a$  is actually greater than  $|\Delta E_b|$ .

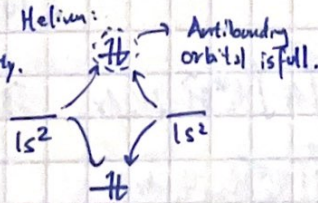
↳ NOT TO SCALE

This is the reason why  $H_2$  exists but  $He_2$  does not.

Hydrogen:



Helium:



The values of the probabilities,  $b_A$ , and  $b_B$  are both dependent on time, therefore, we can apply this information for spectroscopy applications:

The wave function changes from  $\Psi_{n=1}$  to  $\Psi_{n=2}$ , and as such the probabilities are also changed: these changes

$\Delta E = E_{\text{final}} - E_{\text{initial}}$  may be measured to determine the wavelengths.