

Physics 3 2K, Spring 2015  
HW # 5 Solutions

1a) From homework 4, the matrix of  $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$  in basis (ii)  
 $\{ |1\rangle, |2\rangle, |3\rangle, |4\rangle, |5\rangle, |6\rangle, |7\rangle, |8\rangle \} = \{ |200-\frac{1}{2}\rangle, |200+\frac{1}{2}\rangle, |21-1-\frac{1}{2}\rangle, |21-1+\frac{1}{2}\rangle, |210-\frac{1}{2}\rangle, |210+\frac{1}{2}\rangle, |211-\frac{1}{2}\rangle, |211+\frac{1}{2}\rangle \}$

is

$$\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} = \begin{bmatrix} [0] & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & [0] & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & [\frac{\hbar^2}{2}] & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & [-\frac{\hbar^2}{2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}}] & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & [0 & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}}] & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & [\frac{\hbar^2}{2}] \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix is block-diagonal, with  $1 \times 1$  submatrices in one dimensional bases  $\{ |1\rangle \}$ ,  $\{ |2\rangle \}$ ,  $\{ |3\rangle \}$ ,  $\{ |8\rangle \}$ , and  $2 \times 2$  submatrices in bases  $\{ |4\rangle, |5\rangle \}$  and  $\{ |6\rangle, |7\rangle \}$ .

Thus the four vectors  $|1\rangle$ ,  $|2\rangle$ ,  $|3\rangle$ , and  $|8\rangle$  are eigenvectors of  $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$  with eigenvalues  $0$ ,  $0$ ,  $\frac{\hbar^2}{2}$ , and  $\frac{\hbar^2}{2}$ , respectively.

To find the other four eigenvectors and eigenvalues we must diagonalize each of the  $2 \times 2$  submatrices.

Let's start with the two-dimensional submatrix in the basis  $\{ |4\rangle, |5\rangle \}$ . In this basis we have

$$\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

To diagonalize this we need to solve

$$\det[\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} - \lambda I] = \begin{vmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} - \lambda & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda \left( \frac{\hbar^2}{2} + \lambda \right) - \frac{\hbar^4}{2} = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \lambda - \frac{\hbar^4}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{\hbar^4}{4} + 4 \frac{\hbar^4}{2}} \right]$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{\hbar^2}{4} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{9}{4} \hbar^4} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{4} \pm \frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 \Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2}, \quad \lambda_2 = +\frac{\hbar^2}{2}$$

The eigenvector for eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , follows from

$$\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} |\lambda, \rangle = \lambda |\lambda, \rangle$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_4 \\ c_5 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} c_4 \\ c_5 \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \begin{bmatrix} c_4 \\ c_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

from the second row,  $\frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} c_4 = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} c_5 \Rightarrow c_4 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} c_5$

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda_1\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{normalized})$$

$$|\lambda_1\rangle = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} |4\rangle + |5\rangle = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} |21 -1 + \frac{1}{2}\rangle + |210 -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

The eigenvector for eigenvalue  $\lambda_2$  follows from  $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} |\lambda_2\rangle = \lambda_2 |\lambda_2\rangle$ ,

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} & \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_4 \\ c_5 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} c_4 \\ c_5 \end{bmatrix} = +\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \begin{bmatrix} c_4 \\ c_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

from the second row,  $\frac{\hbar^2}{\sqrt{2}} c_4 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} c_5 \Rightarrow c_5 = \sqrt{2} c_4$

$$\Rightarrow |\lambda_2\rangle = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |4\rangle + \sqrt{2} |5\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |21 -1 + \frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |210 -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

The other 2x2 sub-block, in the basis  $\{|6\rangle, |7\rangle\}$  has matrix

$$\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \hbar^2/\sqrt{2} \\ \hbar^2/\sqrt{2} & -\hbar^2/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is exactly the same matrix, with the identification  $|4\rangle \leftrightarrow |7\rangle$  and  $|5\rangle \leftrightarrow |6\rangle$ .

Therefore the eigenvalues and eigenvectors are the same as before, with this identification, i.e.

$$\lambda_1 = -\hbar^2 \quad |\lambda_1\rangle = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|7\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|6\rangle$$

$$|\lambda_1\rangle = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|211-\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|210+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

$$\lambda_2 = +\hbar^2/2 \quad |\lambda_2\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|7\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|6\rangle$$

$$|\lambda_2\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}|211-\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|210+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

To summarize, these are the eight eigenvectors and eigenvalues:

eigenvector (in $ nlm m_s\rangle$ basis)	eigenvalue	eigenvector in $ n l j m_j\rangle$
$ 1\rangle =  200-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	0	$ 20\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$
$ 2\rangle =  200+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	0	$ 20\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$
$ 3\rangle =  21-1-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	$+\hbar^2/2$	$ 21\frac{3}{2}-\frac{3}{2}\rangle$
$-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 4\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 5\rangle = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 21-1+\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 210-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	$-\hbar^2$	$ 21\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$
$+\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 4\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 5\rangle = +\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 21-1+\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 210-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	$+\hbar^2/2$	$ 21\frac{3}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$
$-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 7\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 6\rangle = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 211-\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 210+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	$-\hbar^2$	$ 21\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$
$+\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 7\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 6\rangle = +\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} 211-\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} 210+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	$+\hbar^2/2$	$ 21\frac{3}{2}+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$
$ 8\rangle =  211+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$	$+\hbar^2/2$	$ 21\frac{3}{2}+\frac{3}{2}\rangle$

b)  $n$  and  $l$  are good quantum numbers, so they must always be the same in the two basis sets.

So, for instance, the first two vectors  $|2 0 0 \pm \frac{1}{2}\rangle$  must be the two states  $|2 0 \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2}\rangle$ .

Note that  $j_z = l_z + s_z \Rightarrow m_j = m_l + m_s$  always, so we can use that to identify which  $m_j$  must go with which  $\{m_l, m_s\}$ . For instance the fourth vector must have  $m_j = -\frac{1}{2}$ , since  $m_l + m_s = -1 + \frac{1}{2} = 0 - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$  for both  $|m_l, m_s\rangle$  vectors in the linear combination.

The third vector has  $m_j = m_l + m_s = -\frac{3}{2}$ . It is only possible to have  $m_j = -\frac{3}{2}$  with  $j = \frac{3}{2}$ , so the third vector must be  $|2 1 \frac{3}{2} -\frac{3}{2}\rangle$ . Similarly the eighth vector must be  $|2 1 \frac{3}{2} +\frac{3}{2}\rangle$ .

Now since  $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{j}^2 - \vec{l}^2 - \vec{s}^2)$ , the vectors  $|n l j m_j\rangle$  are eigenvectors of  $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$ , with eigenvalues that don't depend on  $m_j$ . Therefore all vectors  $|n l j m_j\rangle$  must have the same eigenvalue, for the same  $n l j$ . Since there are four vectors with eigenvalue  $+\hbar^2/2$ , and four values  $m_j = -\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}$  for  $j = \frac{3}{2}$ , these four

vectors must be  $|2 1 \frac{3}{2} m_j\rangle$  with the corresponding  $m_j$ .

It follows also that the remaining two are  $|2 1 \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2}\rangle$ . I've entered these results into the last column in the table of part (a).

From Homework 4,  $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} |20 \frac{1}{2} m_j\rangle = 0$

$$\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} |21 \frac{1}{2} m_j\rangle = -\hbar^2 |21 \frac{1}{2} m_j\rangle$$

$$\text{and } \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} |21 \frac{3}{2} m_j\rangle = +\frac{\hbar^2}{2} |21 \frac{3}{2} m_j\rangle$$

So we see we've got the correct eigenvalues.

c) From The  $1 \times \frac{1}{2}$  Subtable of Griffiths table 4.8, we determine that

$$\begin{matrix} n & l & j & m_j \\ |21 \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2}\rangle \end{matrix} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \begin{matrix} n & l & m_l & m_s \\ |21 +1 -\frac{1}{2}\rangle \end{matrix} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \begin{matrix} n & l & m_l & m_s \\ |21 0 +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \end{matrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$|21 \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |21 +1 -\frac{1}{2}\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |21 0 -\frac{1}{2}\rangle \quad \checkmark \text{ (minus sign)}$$

$$|21 \frac{3}{2} -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |21 0 -\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |21 -1 +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \quad \checkmark$$

$$|21 \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |21 0 -\frac{1}{2}\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |21 -1 +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \quad \checkmark$$

These are the same as the vectors we found in parts (a) & (b).  
(One vector differs by a factor of  $-1$ , which doesn't matter because  $|4\rangle$  and  $-|4\rangle$  represent the same state)

2. a)  $H_{\text{kin}} |21 m_l m_s\rangle = -\frac{\alpha^2}{n^2} |E_n^{(0)}| \left( \frac{n}{l+\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{3}{4} \right) |21 m_l m_s\rangle \quad \begin{matrix} n=2 \\ l=1 \end{matrix}$

$$= -\frac{\alpha^4}{4} |E_2^{(0)}| \left( \frac{2}{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{3}{4} \right) \rightarrow \frac{4}{3} - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{16}{12} - \frac{9}{12} = \frac{7}{12}$$

$$H_{\text{kin}} = -\frac{\alpha^2}{4} |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{7}{12} = -\alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{7}{48} \quad (\text{both states})$$

$$H_{\text{kin}} = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{7}{48} & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{7}{48} \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $l=0 \quad H_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Since  $\frac{1}{r^3}$  is diagonal, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{so} &= \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{2m_e^2 c^2} \frac{\vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}}{r^3} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{2m_e^2 c^2} \frac{1}{n^3(l+\frac{1}{2})l(l+1)a_0^3} \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s} \\
 &= \underbrace{\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a_0^2}}_{|E_n^{(0)}|} \frac{1}{n m_e^2 c^2 a_0^2} \frac{1}{(l+\frac{1}{2})l(l+1)} \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s} \\
 &= |E_n^{(0)}| \frac{1}{m_e^2 c^2} \frac{\alpha^2 m_e^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \frac{1}{(l+\frac{1}{2})l(l+1)} \vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\uparrow a_0 = \frac{\hbar}{\alpha m_e c}$ ,  $\alpha = \text{fine structure constant}$

$$H_{so} = \frac{\alpha^2}{n} |E_n^{(0)}| \frac{1}{(l+\frac{1}{2})l(l+1)} \frac{\vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}}{\hbar^2}$$

for  $n=2$  and  $l=1$ ,

$$H_{so} = \frac{\alpha^2}{2} |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{1}{(\frac{3}{2})(1)(2)} \frac{\vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}}{\hbar^2} = \frac{\alpha^2}{6} |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\vec{l} \cdot \vec{s}}{\hbar^2}$$

and, with our result from Hw 4, we have

$$H_{so} = \frac{\alpha^2}{6} |E_2^{(0)}| \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = |E_2^{(0)}| \alpha^2 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, for  $H_{fs} = H_{kin} + H_0 + H_{so}$ , we have

$$H_{fs} = \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{12} - \frac{7}{48} & \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{7}{48} \end{bmatrix} = \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{48} & \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{7}{48} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H_{fs} = \frac{\alpha^2}{6} |E_2^{(0)}| \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{8} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{7}{8} \end{bmatrix}$$

(6)

$H_z$  is diagonal, with eigenvalues  $(m_l + 2m_s)\mu_B B$ , so

$$H_z = \mu_B B \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and finally

$$H' = H_{fs} + H_z = \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{11}{48} & \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} \\ \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} & -\alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{7}{48} - \mu_B B \end{bmatrix}$$

b) The matrix is  $H' = |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{6} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{8} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{7}{8} \end{bmatrix}$

In units of  $|E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{6}$ , the eigenvalue equation is

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{8} - \lambda & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{7}{8} - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \left(\frac{11}{8} + \lambda\right)\left(\frac{7}{8} + \lambda\right) - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + \frac{18}{8}\lambda + \frac{77}{64} - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 + \frac{9}{4}\lambda + \frac{45}{64} = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\frac{9}{4} \pm \sqrt{\frac{81}{16} - 4(1)\frac{45}{64}} \right] = -\frac{9}{8} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{36}{16}} = -\frac{9}{8} \pm \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\lambda_1 = -\frac{3}{8} \quad \lambda_2 = -\frac{15}{8}$$

Switching back to real units

$$\lambda_1 = -\frac{3}{8} |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{6} = -\frac{1}{16} \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}|$$

$$\lambda_2 = -\frac{15}{8} |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{6} = -\frac{5}{16} \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}|$$

Compare to formula  $H_{fs} = -|E_n^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{h^2} \left[ \frac{n}{j+\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{3}{4} \right]$

$$n=2, j=\frac{1}{2}:$$

$$H_{fs} = -|E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{4} \left[ \frac{2}{1} - \frac{3}{4} \right] = -|E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{4} \frac{5}{4} = -\frac{5}{16} \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \checkmark$$

$$n=2, j=\frac{3}{2}:$$

$$H_{fs} = -|E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{4} \left[ \frac{2}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \right] = -|E_2^{(0)}| \frac{\alpha^2}{4} \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{16} \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \checkmark$$

c) For  $\mu_B B = \frac{5}{16} \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}|$

$$B_{int} = \frac{5}{16} \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| \frac{1}{\mu_B} = \frac{5}{16} \frac{1}{(137)^2} \frac{13.6 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{4} \frac{1}{9.27 \times 10^{-24}}$$

$$B_{int} = 0.98 \text{ Tesla} \approx \underline{\underline{1.0 \text{ Tesla}}}$$

d) Let  $\beta = \mu_B B$  Let  $\gamma = \frac{\alpha^2}{6} |E_2^{(0)}|$

$$\text{Then } H' = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{8} \gamma & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma & -\frac{7}{8} \gamma - \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

eigenvalues from:

$$\det[H' - E\lambda] = \det \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{11}{8} \gamma - \lambda & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma & -\frac{7}{8} \gamma - \beta - \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

eigenvalues from Mathematica:

$$m = \left\{ \left\{ (-11/8) \gamma, (-1/\sqrt{2}) \gamma \right\}, \right.$$

$$\left. \left\{ (-1/\sqrt{2}) \gamma, (-7/8) \gamma - \beta \right\} \right\}$$

Eigenvalues [m]



Mathematica gives

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{8}(-4\beta - 9\gamma - 2\sqrt{4\beta^2 - 4\beta\gamma + 9\gamma^2})$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{8}(-4\beta - 9\gamma + 2\sqrt{4\beta^2 - 4\beta\gamma + 9\gamma^2})$$

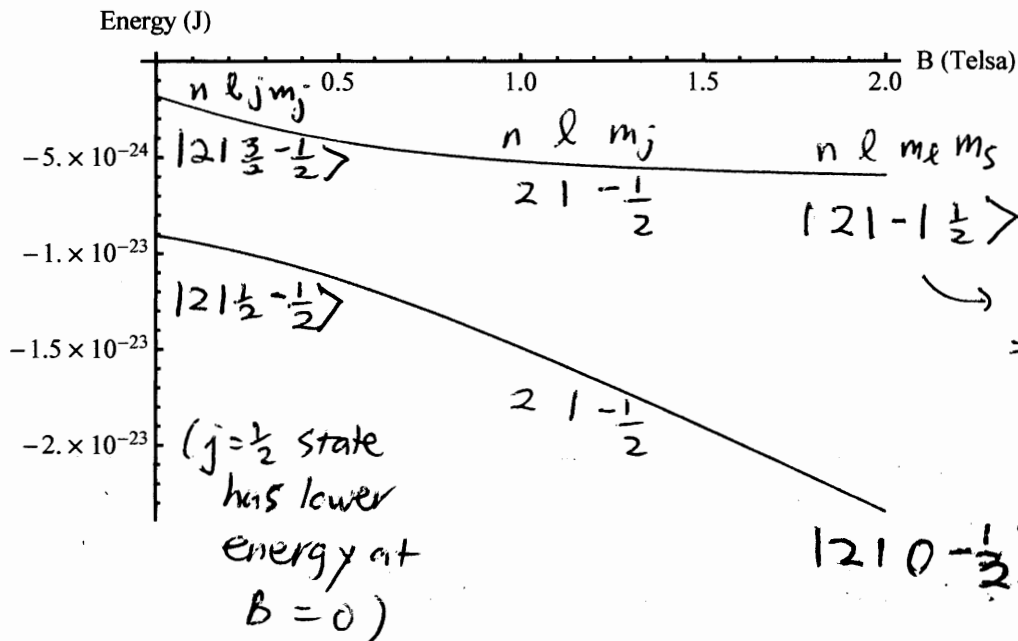
$$\beta = \mu_B B \quad \gamma = \frac{\alpha^2}{6} |E_z^{(0)}|$$

Here is Mathematica code to plot this, and properly labelled Plot.

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In[81]:= beta[B_] := 9.27 * 10^-24 B
gamma := (1/24) * (1/137.04^2) * 13.6 * 1.602 * 10^-19
Plot[
  {(1/8) (-4 beta[B] - 9 gamma - 2 Sqrt[4 beta[B]^2 - 4 beta[B] gamma + 9 gamma^2]),
   (1/8) (-4 beta[B] - 9 gamma + 2 Sqrt[4 beta[B]^2 - 4 beta[B] gamma + 9 gamma^2])},
  {B, 0, 2}, PlotStyle -> Directive[AbsoluteThickness[1.555]],
  AxesLabel -> {"B (Telsa)", "Energy (J)"},
  AxesStyle -> AbsoluteThickness[1.5], BaseStyle -> {FontSize -> 14}]

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e) For  $B \gg B_{int}$ ,  $\beta \gg \gamma$ , and

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{8} (-4\beta - \overset{\text{small}}{\cancel{9\gamma}} \pm 2\sqrt{4\beta^2 - \overset{\text{small}}{\cancel{4\beta\gamma}} + \overset{\text{small}}{\cancel{9\gamma^2}}})$$

$$\lambda \approx \frac{1}{8} (-4\beta \pm 4\beta) = 0, -\beta$$

$$\lambda = 0, -\mu_B B$$

correct. for upper state  $m_l + 2m_s = 0 \Rightarrow H_z = 0$

for lower stat  $m_l + 2m_s = -1 \Rightarrow H_z = -\mu_B B$

f) For  $B \ll B_{int}$ ,  $\gamma \gg \beta$ , and

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{8} (-4\beta - 9\gamma \pm 2\sqrt{4\beta^2 - 4\beta\gamma + \overset{\text{small}}{9\gamma^2}})$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} (-4\beta - 9\gamma \pm 6\gamma \sqrt{1 - \frac{4\beta}{9\gamma}})$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{8} (-4\beta - 9\gamma \pm 6\gamma (1 - \frac{2\beta}{9\gamma}))$$

$$\sqrt{1+x} \approx 1 + \frac{x}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} (-4\beta - 9\gamma \pm 6\gamma \mp \frac{4}{3}\beta)$$

$$\frac{12}{9} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\lambda_1 \approx -\frac{3\gamma}{8} - \frac{2}{3}\beta$$

$$\lambda_2 \approx -\frac{15\gamma}{8} - \frac{1}{3}\beta$$

$$j = \frac{3}{2}, m_j = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{8} (-\frac{12}{3} - \frac{4}{3}) = \frac{-16}{24} = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{8} (-\frac{12}{3} + \frac{4}{3}) = \frac{-8}{24} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$(2 | \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \rangle)$$

$$\frac{3}{8}\gamma = \frac{3}{8} \frac{\alpha^2}{62} |E_2^{(0)}| = \frac{1}{16} |E_2^{(0)}|$$

$$(12 | \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \rangle)$$

$$j = \frac{1}{2}, m_j = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\lambda_1 \approx -\frac{1}{16} |E_2^{(0)}| - \frac{2}{3} \mu_B B$$

$$\lambda_2 \approx -\frac{5}{16} \alpha^2 |E_2^{(0)}| - \frac{1}{3} \mu_B B$$

$$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{8}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$$

Check For  $l=1, \underline{j=1/2}, g_J = \left[ 1 + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{3}{2}) - 1(2) + \frac{3}{4}}{2(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{3}{2})} \right] \frac{6}{4}$

$$g_J = \left[ 1 + -\frac{2}{6} \right] = \frac{2}{3}$$

expect  $H_z = g_J \mu_B B m_J = \frac{2}{3} \mu_B B \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{1}{3} \mu_B B$

For  $l=1, \underline{j=3/2}, g_J = \left[ 1 + \frac{\frac{3}{2}(\frac{5}{2}) - 1(2) + \frac{3}{4}}{2(\frac{3}{2})(\frac{5}{2})} \right] \checkmark$

$$g_J = \left[ 1 + \frac{10}{3} \right] = \frac{4}{3} \quad \frac{15-8+3}{30}$$

expect  $H_z = g_J \mu_B B m_J = -\frac{2}{3} \mu_B B \checkmark$

agrees with expression for  $\lambda_1$  &  $\lambda_2$

### 3. Improved calculation of hydrogen atom ground state Stark shift.

a) Since the matrix elements  $\langle \psi_{n\ell m_\ell}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle$  are zero unless  $\ell = 1$  and  $m = 0$ , the first-order

correction to the wavefunction is  $\psi_{100}^{(1)}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n \psi_{n10}^{(0)}(\vec{r})$ , where  $c_n = \frac{e\mathcal{E} \langle \psi_{n10}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle}{E_1^{(0)} - E_n^{(0)}}$ .

The required matrix element is

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi_{n10}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle &= \int \psi_{n10}^{(0)*}(\vec{r}) z \psi_{100}^{(0)}(\vec{r}) d^3r \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^\infty (R_{n1}(r) Y_{10}^*(\theta, \phi)) (r \cos(\theta)) (R_{10}(r) Y_{00}(\theta, \phi)) (r^2 \sin(\theta) dr d\theta d\phi) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^\infty \left( R_{n1}(r) \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos(\theta) \right) (r \cos(\theta)) \left( R_{10}(r) \sqrt{\frac{1}{4\pi}} \right) (r^2 \sin(\theta) dr d\theta d\phi) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^\pi \cos^2(\theta) \sin(\theta) d\theta \int_0^\infty r^3 R_{n1}(r) R_{10}(r) dr \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\pi} 2\pi \frac{2}{3} \int_0^\infty r^3 R_{n1}(r) R_{10}(r) dr = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^\infty r^3 R_{n1}(r) R_{10}(r) dr \end{aligned}$$

The radial wavefunctions are given in Griffiths Table 4.7. We write out the result for  $n = 2, 3$ , and 4 (with  $n = 2$  as a check of our work):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi_{210}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^\infty r^3 R_{21}(r) R_{10}(r) dr = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^\infty r^3 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{24}a^{3/2}} \frac{r}{a} e^{-r/2a} \right) \left( \frac{2}{a^{3/2}} e^{-r/a} \right) dr \\ &= \frac{a}{3\sqrt{2}} \int_0^\infty \frac{r^4}{a^4} e^{-3r/2a} \frac{dr}{a} = \frac{a}{3\sqrt{2}} \int_0^\infty z^4 e^{-3z/2} dz \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi_{310}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^\infty r^3 R_{31}(r) R_{10}(r) dr \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^\infty r^3 \left( \frac{8}{27\sqrt{6}a^{3/2}} \left( 1 - \frac{r}{6a} \right) \left( \frac{r}{a} \right) e^{-r/3a} \right) \left( \frac{2}{a^{3/2}} e^{-r/a} \right) dr \\ &= \frac{8\sqrt{2}a}{81} \int_0^\infty \frac{r^4}{a^4} \left( 1 - \frac{r}{6a} \right) e^{-4r/3a} \frac{dr}{a} = \frac{8\sqrt{2}a}{81} \int_0^\infty z^4 \left( 1 - \frac{z}{6} \right) e^{-4z/3} dz \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi_{410}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^\infty r^3 R_{41}(r) R_{10}(r) dr \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int_0^\infty r^3 \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}}{16\sqrt{3}a^{3/2}} \left( 1 - \frac{r}{4a} + \frac{r^2}{80a^2} \right) \left( \frac{r}{a} \right) e^{-r/4a} \right) \left( \frac{2}{a^{3/2}} e^{-r/a} \right) dr \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{5}a}{24} \int_0^\infty \frac{r^4}{a^4} \left( 1 - \frac{r}{4a} + \frac{r^2}{80a^2} \right) e^{-5r/4a} \frac{dr}{a} = \frac{\sqrt{5}a}{24} \int_0^\infty z^4 \left( 1 - \frac{z}{4} + \frac{z^2}{80} \right) e^{-5z/4} dz \end{aligned}$$

We can evaluate these integrals with Mathematica as follows:

for  $n = 2$ : `NIntegrate[(1/(3 Sqrt[2])) z^4 Exp[-1.5 z], {z,0,100}]`

Result: 0.7449

for  $n = 3$ : `NIntegrate[(8 Sqrt[2]/81) z^4(1-z/6) Exp[-4z/3], {z,0,100}]`

Result: 0.2983

for  $n = 4$ : `NIntegrate[(Sqrt[5]/24) z^4 (1-z/4+z^2/80) Exp[-5 z/4], {z,0,100}]`

Result: 0.1759

Thus, for  $E = 80,000 \text{ V/cm} = 8 \times 10^6 \text{ V/m}$ , we have

$$c_2 = 0.7499 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)} - E_2^{(0)}} = 0.7499 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right)} = 1.000 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)}} = -3.112 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$c_3 = 0.2983 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)} - E_3^{(0)}} = 0.2983 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right)} = 0.3356 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)}} = -1.045 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$c_4 = 0.1759 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)} - E_4^{(0)}} = 0.1759 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)} \left(1 - \frac{1}{4^2}\right)} = 0.1876 \frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)}} = -5.84 \times 10^{-6}$$

where we have used

$$e\mathcal{E}a_0 = (1.602 \times 10^{-19})(8 \times 10^6)(0.5292 \times 10^{-10}) = 6.774 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J} = 4.234 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV}, \text{ so that}$$

$$\frac{e\mathcal{E}a}{E_1^{(0)}} = \frac{4.234 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV}}{-13.605 \text{ eV}} = -3.112 \times 10^{-5}.$$

$$(c_{n\ell m} = 0 \text{ for } n \neq 1 \text{ or } \ell \neq 0)$$

The second-order correction to the energy is  $E_{100}^{(2)} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{e^2 \mathcal{E}^2 \left| \langle \psi_{n10}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle \right|^2}{E_1^{(0)} - E_n^{(0)}}$ . As suggested, we'll

approximate this sum by adding together just the contributions of the  $n = 2, 3$ , and 4 terms:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{100}^{(2)} &\approx \frac{e^2 \mathcal{E}^2 \left| \langle \psi_{210}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle \right|^2}{E_1^{(0)} - E_2^{(0)}} + \frac{e^2 \mathcal{E}^2 \left| \langle \psi_{310}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle \right|^2}{E_1^{(0)} - E_3^{(0)}} + \frac{e^2 \mathcal{E}^2 \left| \langle \psi_{410}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle \right|^2}{E_1^{(0)} - E_4^{(0)}} \\
&= \frac{e^2 \mathcal{E}^2 (0.7449a)^2}{-\frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right)} + \frac{e^2 \mathcal{E}^2 (0.2983a)^2}{-\frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right)} + \frac{e^2 \mathcal{E}^2 (0.1759a)^2}{-\frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a} \left(1 - \frac{1}{4^2}\right)} \\
&= -4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3 \left[ \frac{2(0.7449)^2}{3/4} + \frac{2(0.2983)^2}{8/9} + \frac{2(0.1759)^2}{15/16} \right] \mathcal{E}^2 \\
&= -4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3 [1.480 + 0.200 + 0.066] = -(1.746)4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3 \mathcal{E}^2
\end{aligned}$$

and where we've used the results from part (a) to substitute for the matrix elements

$$\langle \psi_{n10}^{(0)} | z | \psi_{100}^{(0)} \rangle.$$

The exact answer summing over all terms is  $E_{100}^{(2)} = -\left(\frac{9}{4}\right)4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3 \mathcal{E}^2 = -(2.250)4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3 \mathcal{E}^2$ . So

our new approximate answer is within 23% of the exact answer. Apparently, we'd need to sum over many more terms to get a very accurate answer, or use methods like that of Griffiths problem 6.40.

b) We equate  $-\frac{1}{2}\alpha\mathcal{E}^2 = -2.25(4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3)\mathcal{E}^2$ , which means that

$$\alpha = 4.50(4\pi\epsilon_0 a^3) = 4.50(4\pi(8.854 \times 10^{-12})(0.5292 \times 10^{-10})^3) = 7.42 \times 10^{-41} \frac{\text{Cm}^2}{\text{V}}$$

(from the equation  $\vec{d} = \alpha\vec{\mathcal{E}}$ , the units of polarizability are the same as the units of

dipole moment/electric field =  $\frac{\text{Cm}}{\text{V/m}} = \frac{\text{Cm}^2}{\text{V}}$ .)

#### 4. Deuterium atom and nucleus

a) magnetic moment (deuteron)  $\equiv \langle I, M_I = I | \mu_{I_z} | I, M_I = I \rangle = \langle 1, 1 | g_I \mu_n \frac{I_z}{\hbar} | 1, 1 \rangle$

$$= g_I \mu_n \frac{1 \times \hbar}{\hbar} \langle 1, 1 | 1, 1 \rangle = g_I \mu_n = 1.71 \mu_n = 8.64 \times 10^{-27} \frac{\text{J}}{\text{T}}$$

b) The interaction Hamiltonian is

$$H_Z = -\vec{\mu}_I \cdot \vec{B} = -g_I \mu_n \frac{\vec{I}}{\hbar} \cdot B \hat{z} = -g_I \mu_n \frac{I_z}{\hbar} \cdot B$$

The states  $|I, M_I\rangle$  are eigenstates of this Hamiltonian, with eigenvalues

$$H_Z |I, M_I\rangle = -g_I \mu_n \frac{I_z}{\hbar} \cdot B |I, M_I\rangle = -g_I \mu_n \frac{M_I \hbar}{\hbar} \cdot B |I, M_I\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow H_Z |I, M_I\rangle = E_{I, M_I} |I, M_I\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad E_{I, M_I} = -g_I \mu_n B M_I$$

At a field  $B = 1$  Tesla, the energies of the three states are

$$E_{1,1} = -g_I \mu_n B \times 1 = -1.71 \times 5.051 \times 10^{-27} \times 1 \times 1 = -8.64 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J}$$

$$E_{1,0} = -g_I \mu_n B \times 0 = 0 \text{ J}$$

$$E_{1,-1} = -g_I \mu_n B \times (-1) = 1.71 \times 5.051 \times 10^{-27} \times 1 \times 1 = +8.64 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J}$$

The frequency of photons emitted on both transitions would be

$$\nu = \frac{\Delta E}{h} = \frac{8.64 \times 10^{-27}}{6.626 \times 10^{-34}} = 13.03 \text{ MHz}$$

c) From the formula sheet, the Fermi contact term is  $H_{\text{Fermi}} = -\frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \vec{\mu}_e \cdot \vec{\mu}_I \delta^3(\vec{r}) = A \frac{\vec{I} \cdot \vec{S}}{\hbar^2}$

The value of  $A$  for the ground state of hydrogen is

$$A_H = \frac{8\pi}{3} \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) g_e g_I \mu_B^2 \frac{m_e}{m_p} |\psi_{1s}(0)|^2 \approx h \times 1420 \text{ MHz.}$$

where  $g_I = g_p$  is the  $g$ -factor of the proton. The ratio of  $A$  for deuterium to  $A$  for hydrogen is

$$\frac{A_D}{A_H} = \frac{\frac{8\pi}{3} \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) g_e g_d \mu_B^2 \frac{m_e}{m_p} |\psi_{1s}(0)|^2}{\frac{8\pi}{3} \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) g_e g_p \mu_B^2 \frac{m_e}{m_p} |\psi_{1s}(0)|^2} = \frac{g_d}{g_p} = \frac{0.8574}{5.588} = 0.1534$$

Since  $\vec{F} = \vec{I} + \vec{S}$ ,  $\langle \vec{F}^2 \rangle = \langle \vec{I}^2 + \vec{S}^2 + 2\vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle$ , and it follows that

$$\frac{\langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle}{\hbar^2} = \frac{1}{2\hbar^2} (\langle \vec{F}^2 \rangle - \langle \vec{I}^2 \rangle - \langle \vec{S}^2 \rangle) = \frac{1}{2} (F(F+1) - I(I+1) - S(S+1))$$

For hydrogen, the two hyperfine levels have  $F = 0$  and  $F = 1$ , corresponding to

$$\frac{\langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=0}}{\hbar^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 0(1) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right) = -\frac{3}{4} \quad \frac{\langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=1}}{\hbar^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1(2) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right) = +\frac{1}{4}$$

For deuterium

$$\frac{\langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=\frac{1}{2}}}{\hbar^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} - 1(2) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right) = -1 \quad \frac{\langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=\frac{3}{2}}}{\hbar^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{2} \frac{5}{2} - 1(2) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{3}{2} \right) = +\frac{1}{2}$$

The ratio of the hyperfine splitting of deuterium to hydrogen is

$$\frac{\Delta H_{Fermi,D}}{\Delta H_{Fermi,H}} = \frac{A_{Fermi,D} \left( \langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=\frac{3}{2}} - \langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=\frac{1}{2}} \right)}{A_{Fermi,H} \left( \langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=1} - \langle \vec{I} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{F=0} \right)} = 0.1534 \frac{\frac{1}{2} - (-1)}{\frac{1}{4} - \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)} = 0.2301$$

Therefore the frequency of the deuterium hyperfine transition is

$$\nu_D = 0.2301 \nu_H = 0.2301 \times 1420 \text{ MHz} = 327 \text{ MHz.}$$

(The wavelength of this transition is  $\lambda_D = \frac{c}{\nu_D} = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{327 \times 10^6} = 0.92 \text{ m} = 92 \text{ cm.}$ )