

# First-Order Perturbation Theory

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## 1 Degeneracy Problem

Given a system that currently be regraded to have no interaction term in Hamiltonian, denoted as  $H_0$ . Physical choice of representing the state of the system would be the eigenstates  $\Psi_a$  of free-Hamiltonian with eigenvalues  $E_a$ , the eigen equation is the so-called time-independent Schrödinger's equation.

$$H_0 \Psi_a = E_a \Psi_a \quad (1.1)$$

## 2 Wigner-Eckart theorem