

$|S_1, S_2, s, m_s\rangle = |S, m_s\rangle$  because  $S_1, S_2$  fixed.

HW. ① With  $H = k\vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2$  for two spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  electrons, check states  $|S_1, S_2, s, m_s\rangle$  defined in lecture note are eigenstates, and find relevant eigenenergies. (here  $k$  is a constant).

Mr. Zhang tutorial of Quiz II, Sat. 3pm.

Coupled density matrix not going to appear in later quiz or exams

- Coupled spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  system (or general cases)

Suppose we have an electron orbiting around a nucleus

We only consider the spin of an electron  
ignore nuclear spin for now.

In the electron's frame

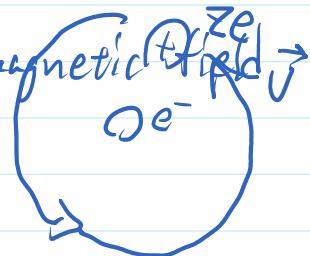
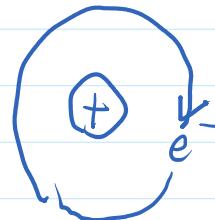
The positive charge orbits around  $e^-$   
and creates a magnetic field

$$\vec{B} \propto \vec{L}$$

Similar to  $\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}$  spin under of a magnetic field

here we have  $H \propto s$

$$\vec{L} \Rightarrow \vec{s}$$



$$-\vec{L}$$

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Spin of  $e^-$  orbital angular momentum

Classically how much is  $\vec{B}$ ?

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\* not in exam, we apply Biot-Savart law

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{ze}{r^3} (-\vec{v}) \times \vec{r} \quad \vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p} = \vec{r} \times m\vec{v}$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{ze}{mr^3} \vec{L}$$

not quite the truth.

$$\vec{B} \propto \vec{L}$$

$$H \propto \vec{s} \cdot \vec{L}$$

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Thomas precession  
relativistic effect.



classically if the spin is aligned with orbital angular momentum, it has a negative sign compare to anti-align.

Generalize to Quantum.

$$H = \sum \vec{s} \cdot \vec{L} = \sum (\hat{s}_x \otimes \hat{L}_x + \hat{s}_y \otimes \hat{L}_y + \hat{s}_z \otimes \hat{L}_z)$$

① recap on angular momentum.

total spin  $\vec{s}$ , projection along z to be  $s_z$ .

we can define eigenstate  $|s, m_s\rangle$

$$\begin{cases} \vec{s}^2 |s, m_s\rangle = \hbar^2 s(s+1) |s, m_s\rangle \\ s_z |s, m_s\rangle = \hbar m_s |s, m_s\rangle \end{cases}$$

orbital  $\vec{L}$ ,  $L_z$

$$\begin{cases} \vec{L}^2 |l, m_l\rangle = \hbar^2 l(l+1) |l, m_l\rangle \\ L_z |l, m_l\rangle = \hbar m_l |l, m_l\rangle \end{cases}$$

state for this combined system is defined as

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{m_s} \sum_{m_l} C_{m_s, m_l} |s, m_s\rangle \otimes |l, m_l\rangle$$

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spin-orbit coupling, which is useful in atomic physics

we can also define the total angular momentum

$$\vec{J} = \vec{s} + \vec{l} \leftarrow \text{classical.}$$

in quantum,  $\hat{\vec{J}} = \hat{\vec{s}} \oplus \hat{\vec{l}}_L + \hat{j}_S \otimes \vec{l} \leftarrow \text{quantum.}$

remember  $|1\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle$  <sup>L-space</sup> <sub>not changed.</sub>

more about  $\hat{\vec{J}} = (J_x, J_y, J_z)$

$$\begin{cases} J_x = S_x \oplus \vec{l} + \vec{l} \otimes L_x \\ J_y = S_y \oplus \vec{l} + \vec{l} \otimes L_y \\ J_z = S_z \oplus \vec{l} + \vec{l} \otimes L_z \end{cases}$$

later on we will see with  $\vec{J} = \vec{s} + \vec{l} \leftarrow$  <sup>still quantum</sup> <sub>but use a shorthand</sub>  $(\vec{l}, \vec{s})$

with atomic physics, we know

$$|l-s| \leq j \leq s+l$$

<sup>↑</sup>  
the quantum number of  $\vec{J}$

the possible choice of  $j$  is

$$|l-s|, |l-s|+1, |l-s|+2, \dots, s+l-1, s+l$$



example - the ground orbital of H-atom

$l=0, s=\frac{1}{2} \leftarrow$  electron, ignore nuclei for now

$$j = \frac{1}{2}, M_j: -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}$$

• we have  $j_z$  the projection along Z.

With a given  $j$ ,  $-j \leq j_z \leq j$

choice is  $-j, -j+1, \dots, j-l, j$ .

another example. H-atom, first excited orbital  $l=1$   
 $j: \frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{3}{2} \leftarrow e^- : s = \frac{1}{2}$  three halfs.

- termsymbol  $2S+1 L_J$   
 for example

$^2S_{\frac{1}{2}}$  atomic state  $\Rightarrow s = \frac{1}{2}, j = \frac{1}{2}, l = 0$

$L = \begin{cases} 0 & S \\ 1 & P \\ 2 & D \\ 3 & F \\ 4 & G \\ 5 & H \end{cases}$

another example

$^2P_{\frac{3}{2}} : s = \frac{1}{2}, j = \frac{3}{2}, l = 1$ .

- formal theory of coupled angular momentum.

we have two spins  $\vec{s}, \vec{l}$ ,  $\vec{l}$  may not be orbital angular.

$l = \text{integer}$

= also half integer  
 半整数.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{j} = \vec{s} + \vec{l} \\ = \vec{s} \otimes \mathbb{1}_s + \mathbb{1}_l \otimes \vec{l} \end{array} \right.$$

we have commutators

$$[S_k, S_l] = i\hbar \sum_{klm} S_m \rightarrow \begin{cases} [S_x, S_y] = -i\hbar S_z \\ [S_x, S_z] = i\hbar S_y \end{cases}$$

$$[L_k, L_l] = i\hbar \sum_{klm} L_m.$$

$$\sum_{klm} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } k-l-m \text{ in order} \\ -1 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

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$[J_k, J_l] = i\hbar \sum_{ilm} J_m \leftarrow$  can be proved from definition.

$$J_i^2 = (S_i \otimes \mathbb{1} + \mathbb{1} \otimes L_i)^2$$

$$= S_i^2 \otimes \mathbb{1} + 2 S_i \otimes L_i + \mathbb{1} \otimes L_i^2; \quad i=x, y, z$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{J}^2 = J_x^2 + J_y^2 + J_z^2$$

$$= \vec{S}^2 + 2 \vec{S} \cdot \vec{L} + \vec{L}^2$$

$$(S^2 \otimes \mathbb{1} + 2(S_x \otimes L_x + S_y \otimes L_y + S_z \otimes L_z))$$

$$\text{if we have } H = \sum \vec{S} \cdot \vec{L}$$

$$= \sum_j (\vec{J}^2 - \vec{S}^2 - \vec{L}^2)$$

lets try to find eigenstates for  $\vec{J}^2, J_z$ .

$$\text{we define } |j, m_j\rangle, \begin{cases} \vec{J}^2 |j, m_j\rangle = \hbar^2 j(j+1) |j, m_j\rangle \\ J_z |j, m_j\rangle = \hbar m_j |j, m_j\rangle. \end{cases}$$

we need to find out relation between  $j, m_j$  and  $S, m_S, L, m_L$ .

$$\textcircled{1} \quad J_z = S_z + L_z. \quad \langle \psi | \vec{j}_z - \vec{s}_z - \vec{l}_z | \phi \rangle = \langle \psi | \vec{o} | \phi \rangle = 0$$

$$0 = (\underbrace{\langle S, m_S | \otimes \langle L, m_L |}_{\perp}) \cdot (\underbrace{\vec{j}_z - \vec{s}_z - \vec{l}_z}_{\perp} \cdot \underbrace{|j, m_j\rangle}_{\perp})$$

$$= (\underbrace{\hbar m_j - \hbar m_S - \hbar m_L}_{\perp}) (\underbrace{\langle S, m_S | \otimes \langle L, m_L |}_{\perp}) \cdot (|j, m_j\rangle)$$

J = n means  $|l, m_l\rangle \otimes |s, m_s\rangle$  i.e.  $(|s, m_s\rangle \otimes |l, m_l\rangle) \cdot |j, m_j\rangle \neq 0$

to be true we have  $m_j - m_s - m_l = 0$  or

$$m_j = m_s + m_l$$

~~$\star \rightarrow |m_s, m_l\rangle \neq 0$  if and only if  $m_s + m_l = m_j$ .~~

$$|j, m_j\rangle = \sum_{m_s, m_l} |m_s, m_l\rangle \langle s, m_s \otimes l, m_l \rangle$$

$\approx$  Clebsch-Gordan coefficient.

example,  $S = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $L = \frac{1}{2}$   $\hookrightarrow$  2 spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  system.

choices are

$$|s, m_s\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle \text{ or } |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

$$|\ell, m_\ell\rangle = |\ell^+, \ell^+\rangle$$

$$|\ell, m_\ell\rangle = |\ell^-, \ell^-\rangle$$

four choices of state

$$|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle, |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle.$$

forms a basis for the coupled system.

\* Set into the choice for  $j$ .

$$|L-S| \leq j \leq L+S.$$

let  $L > S$ , we know  $-j \leq m_j \leq j$

$$-j \leq m_s + m_l \leq j$$

for the space defined by  $|s, m_s\rangle \otimes |l, m_l\rangle$

how many possible states in this basis  $(2s+1) \times (2l+1)$

for a given  $S, L$ .

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times.

by choosing  $|j, m_j\rangle$  as a basis instead, it won't

change the dimension of Hilbert space.

for all the choices of  $(j, m_j)$  there are  
possible  $(2stl) \cdot (2l+1)$  states.

let $l > s$	$2l+1$ choices.					
$m_s + m_l$	$m_s = l, m_s = l-1, \dots, m_s = -s, m_s = -s-1$					
$m_s = s$	$s+l$	$s+l-1$	$\dots$	$m_s = -s+1$	$s+l-2$	$\dots$
$m_s = s-1$	$s+l-1$	$\dots$	$m_s = -s+1$	$s+l-2$	$\dots$	$-s-l$
$\vdots$						
$m_s = -s+1$						
$m_s = -s$						

we have the maximum choice of  $m_j = j = stl$

second biggest choice of  $m_j = stl-1$ .

If we have  $j = stl-1$ , we have  $m_{j,\max} = stl-1$ .

$$j = stl$$

$$m_j = j-1 = stl-1.$$

$l > s$  above table is in this shape



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$$\begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \diagup \diagdown \end{array} \Rightarrow 2stl \text{ states.} \Rightarrow j_{\min} = l+s - (2stl)+1 = l-s.$$



$|l-s|$

///.

$2stl$  states.

the completeness with  $j_{\max} = l+s$   
 $j_{\min} = |l-s|$ .

$j_{\max}$  the choice of  $m_j$   $2(l+s) + 1$

$j_{\max} - 1$   $\sim m_j$   $2(l+s-1) + 1$

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$j_{\min}$   $\sim m_j$   $2|l-s| + 1$ .

One can show the number of all the state

$$\sum_{i=|l-s|}^{l+s} 2i+1 = (2l+1) \times (2s+1)$$

simple proof  $(l \geq s)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=l-s}^{l+s} 2i+1 &= 2s+1 + \sum_{i=l-s}^{l+s} 2i \\ &= 2s+1 + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{(2s+1) - 2l}{2} = (2s+1)(2l+1) \end{aligned}$$

final example two electrons or two spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  system.

$$s_1 = \frac{1}{2}, s_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \vec{j} = \vec{s}_1 + \vec{s}_2$$

what are the choice of  $j = 0$  or  $1$ .

we have  $|j, m_j\rangle$

$$j=0, m_j = \underline{0} \Rightarrow |j=0, m_j=0\rangle$$

$$j=1, m_j = -1, 0, 1 \Rightarrow |j=1, m_j=1\rangle$$

$$\begin{cases} j=1, m_j=0 \\ j=1, m_j=-1 \end{cases}$$

$$|j=1, m_j=1\rangle = \sum_{m_{S_1}, m_{S_2}} |S_1, S_2, m_{S_1}, m_{S_2}\rangle \otimes |S_2, m_{S_2}\rangle$$

$$= |S_1=\frac{1}{2}, m_{S_1}=\frac{1}{2}\rangle \otimes |S_2=\frac{1}{2}, m_{S_2}=\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

in terms  $|+\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \otimes |+\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle$ . is only state

$$m_j=1 = m_{S_1} + m_{S_2}$$

$$|j=1, m_j=-1\rangle = |S_1=\frac{1}{2}, m_{S_1}=-\frac{1}{2}\rangle \otimes |S_2=\frac{1}{2}, m_{S_2}=-\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

$$|j=1, m_j=0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|S_1, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle |S_2, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle + |S_1, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle |S_2, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle)$$

symmetric 对称

$$|j=0, m_j=0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|S_1, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle |S_2, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle - |S_1, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle |S_2, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle)$$

anti-symmetric 反对称

$|j=1, m_j=\pm 1, 0\rangle \rightarrow$  symmetric triplet 三态.

$|j=0, m_j=0\rangle \rightarrow$  anti-sym singlet 单态.