

Lecture - 12 + 13

Calculation of $\alpha(k, j)$, Lande g -factor

irreducible
generalisation to spherical tensors.

Recall

$$\langle kjm | \vec{V} | k'j'm' \rangle_{kj} = \alpha(k,j) \langle kjm | \vec{J} | k'j'm' \rangle_{kj}$$

This implies the following

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \langle kjm | \vec{J} \cdot \vec{V} | k'j'm' \rangle_{kj} &= \alpha(k,j) \langle kjm | \vec{J}^2 | k'j'm' \rangle_{kj} \\ &= \delta_{kj} j(j+1) \hbar^2 \alpha(k,j) \delta_{jj'} \delta_{mm'} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

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In fact this statement can be proved by using projection theorem.

$$\therefore \langle kjm | \vec{J} \cdot \vec{V} | kjm \rangle = \langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{V} \rangle_{kj} = \alpha(k,j) j(j+1) \hbar^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\alpha(k,j) = \frac{\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{V} \rangle_{kj}}{j(j+1) \hbar^2}} \quad (68)$$

$$\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{V} \rangle_{kj} = \langle \Psi_{kj} | \vec{J} \cdot \vec{V} | \Psi_{kj} \rangle = \alpha(k,j) j(j+1) \hbar^2$$

↓
as long as $|\Psi_{kj}\rangle \in \mathcal{E}_{kj}$ subspace

It is independent of m , depends only on j

∴ Over the subspace $\mathcal{E}_{kj}$ we will have

$$\boxed{\vec{V} = \frac{\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{V} \rangle_{kj}}{j(j+1) \hbar^2} \vec{J}} \quad (69)$$

~~For another operator $\vec{V}$~~

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For any other vector operator $\vec{W}$

$$\boxed{\vec{W} = \frac{\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{W} \rangle_{kj}}{j(j+1) \hbar^2} \vec{J}} \quad \text{--- (70)}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\vec{W} = \frac{\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{W} \rangle_{kj}}{\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{kj}} \cdot \vec{J} \quad \text{OR} \quad \vec{J} = \frac{\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{kj}}{\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{W} \rangle_{kj}} \vec{W}}$$

But $\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{W} \rangle_{kj}$, $\langle \vec{J} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{kj}$ are independent of m and decided only by j

$\therefore$ Over the subspace E_{kj} any two vector operators are proportional to each other

→ ~~Before~~ All this was a result of the commutation relations ^{operator} between $[V_x, J_{\pm}]$ etc. Before generalising to a tensor

of higher rank let us first show ~~the~~ a use of this

theorem to calculate Lande g -factor involved in calculation of the splitting of an energy level in a magnetic field.

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Consider $\vec{B} \parallel$ to z axis.

~~Consider $[H_0, \vec{J}] = 0$~~ Consider $H_0 \ni [H_0, \vec{J}] = 0$

Consider the state space E_{kj} spanned by $|E_0, l, s, j, m\rangle$.

$$\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S} \quad |E_0, l, s, j, m\rangle, \quad -j \leq m \leq j$$

are all degenerate with energy E_0

or

$$J_{\pm} |E_0, l, s, j, m\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{j(j+1) - m(m \pm 1)} |E_0, l, s, j, m \pm 1\rangle$$

But $[J_{\pm}, H_0] = 0 \Rightarrow (2j+1)$ states in E_{kj} are all degenerate with energy E_0 .

$$\text{Let } \vec{B} = B \hat{k}$$

$$H = H_0 + H_{\text{pert}} = H_0 + \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}$$

$$H = H_0 + \mu_z B$$

What is $\vec{\mu} = ?$

$$\vec{\mu}_L = -\frac{\beta_0}{\hbar} \vec{L}, \quad \vec{\mu}_S = -\frac{\beta_0}{\hbar} 2\vec{S}$$

$$\vec{\mu} = -\frac{\beta_0}{\hbar} [\vec{L} + 2\vec{S}] = -\frac{e}{2m_e c} [g_L \vec{L} + g_S \vec{S}]$$

$g_L = 1, g_S = 2$ (71)

$\vec{L}, \vec{S}$: Both vector operators. $\therefore \vec{\mu}$ too is a vector op.

Matrix elements of $\vec{\mu}$ are proportional to $\vec{J}$. We must determine constant of proportionality which can depend on E_0 & j .

$$H^{\text{pert}} = -\frac{e}{2m_e c} [L_z + 2S_z] B = -\frac{\beta_0}{\hbar} [L_z + 2S_z] B.$$

effect of B on
If B is not too large the energy levels can be computed

by calculating $\langle E_0, l, s, j, m | H^{\text{pert}} | E_0, l, s, j, m \rangle$

$$\vec{L} = \frac{\langle \vec{L} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, j}}{j(j+1)\hbar^2} \vec{J}, \quad \vec{S} = \frac{\langle \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} \rangle_{E_0, j}}{j(j+1)\hbar^2} \vec{J}$$

$\langle \vec{L} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m} \equiv$ depends only on l, j, s . Not on m .

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{L} \cdot \vec{J} &= \vec{L} \cdot (\vec{L} + \vec{S}) = \vec{L}^2 + \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} \\ &= \vec{L}^2 + \frac{1}{2} [\vec{J}^2 - \vec{L}^2 - \vec{S}^2] \end{aligned}$$

$|E_0, l, s, j, m\rangle$ is state of $\vec{L}^2, \vec{S}^2, \vec{J}^2$

~~$$\langle \vec{L} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m}$$~~

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \vec{L} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m} &= \left[l(l+1) + \frac{1}{2} (j(j+1) - l(l+1) - s(s+1)) \right] \hbar^2 \\ &= \hbar^2 \left[l(l+1) + j(j+1) - s(s+1) \right] \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

~~$$\langle \vec{S} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \left[s(s+1) + j(j+1) - l(l+1) \right]$$~~

$$\langle \vec{S} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} [s(s+1) + j(j+1) - l(l+1)]$$

$$H^{\text{pert}} = -\frac{\beta_0 B}{\hbar} \left[\frac{\langle \vec{L} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m}}{j(j+1) \hbar^2} J_z + 2 \frac{\langle \vec{S} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m}}{j(j+1) \hbar^2} J_z \right]$$

$$H^{\text{pert}} = -\frac{\beta_0 B}{\hbar} [J_z] \frac{1}{j(j+1)} \left[\langle \vec{L} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle + 2 \langle \vec{S} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle \right] \frac{1}{\hbar^2}$$

$$H^{\text{pert}} = -\frac{\beta_0 B}{\hbar} \left[\frac{3}{2} + \frac{s(s+1) - l(l+1)}{2j(j+1)} \right] J_z$$

$$H^{\text{pert}} = -\frac{\beta_0 B}{\hbar} g_J J_z \quad g_J = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{s(s+1) - l(l+1)}{2j(j+1)}$$

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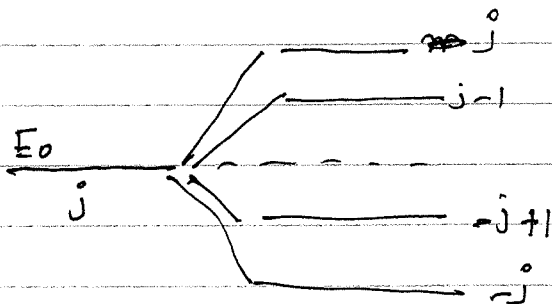
$$\langle H^{\text{pert}} \rangle_{E_0, l, s, j, m} = -\frac{\beta_0 B}{\hbar} g_J m$$

Each $2j+1$ Energy levels are split & have energy

$$(74) \quad E_0 - \frac{\beta_0 B}{\hbar} g_J m$$

$$-j \leq m \leq j$$

$$\beta_0 = -\frac{e}{2m_e c} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} e < 0 \\ \text{for electron} \end{array} \right|$$



$$\text{The spacing is } \frac{e}{2m_e c} B g_J$$

⇒ We have calculated expressions for Lande-g factor.

General statement of the Wigner Eckart Theorem

To write this statement we need to give a formal definition of ~~the~~ an irreducible, spherical tensor of rank K

This is defined as a set of $2K+1$ operators T_K^q , with $q = -K, \dots, K$ which transform under rotation ~~is~~

given by $D_{q'q}^{(K)}$

$$(T_K^q)' = U_R T_K^q U_R^\dagger = \sum_{q'=-K}^K T_K^{q'} D_{q'q}^{(K)}(R)$$

→ (75)

Using definition of $U_R = \exp(-i \frac{\vec{J} \cdot \hat{n} \theta}{\hbar})$ in

infinitesimal form one can see that this means

$$\begin{aligned} [J_z, T_K^q] &= \hbar q T_K^q \\ [J_+, T_K^q] &= \hbar \sqrt{K(K+1) - q(q+1)} T_K^{q+1} \\ [J_-, T_K^q] &= \hbar \sqrt{K(K+1) - q(q-1)} T_K^{q-1} \end{aligned}$$

→ (76)

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Recall that these are similar to what one derived for $\vec{V}$.

Using (75) and (76) one can show,

$$\langle k' j' m' | T_K^q | k j m \rangle = \langle j m; k q | j' m' \rangle \cdot \langle k' j' || T_K || k j \rangle \quad (77)$$

small k indicating additional conserved quantum #s

~~counterpart of~~
reduced matrix element
capital K

Recall

$$\langle k' j' m' | \vec{V} | k j m \rangle = \frac{\langle \vec{V} \cdot \vec{J} \rangle_{kj}}{j(j+1)\hbar^2} \langle k' j' m' | \vec{J} | k j m \rangle$$

↑↑
depends on j alone

see similarity.

$$\langle k' j' || T_K || k j \rangle : \text{counterpart of } \alpha(K, j)$$

Looks a little diff. as our derivation of vector operator is ~~a bit~~ in terms of V_x, V_y, V_z and not in terms of $V_{\pm}, V_z$ which are components of a spherical tensor of rank 1.

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Vector operator : $\equiv$ irreducible spherical tensor of rank 1.

T_1^{-1}, T_1^1, T_1^0 : Three components of an irreducible spherical tensor of rank 1.

check ~~that~~ using commutation relations (63.1) - (63.5)

that

$$\boxed{T_1^{-1} = -\frac{V_+}{\sqrt{2}}, T_1^0 = V_z, T_1^{-1} = \frac{V_-}{\sqrt{2}}} \quad (77)$$

satisfy Eq. (76)

Since $\vec{x}$ is a vector operator

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} T_1^{-1} &= -\frac{x+iy}{\sqrt{2}}, T_1^0 = z, T_1^{-1} = \frac{x-iy}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &\propto Y_1^{-1} \quad \propto Y_1^0 \quad \propto Y_1^{-1} \end{aligned}} \rightarrow (78)$$

$\therefore Y_1^m$ are the three components of an irreducible spherical tensor of rank 1

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Steps to be taken to prove the theorem, (59), (60)

Definition (75) is similar to Eqs. (61), (62). Using these we can then derive (76) similar to derivation of (61).

Using (75) one can show that $\langle k' j' m' | T_K^q | k j m \rangle$ satisfy an equation with same structure as the C.G. series

$$\Rightarrow \langle k' j' m' | T_K^q | k j m \rangle \propto C_{m_1 m_2 m_3}^{j_1 j_2 j_3}$$

$$\text{with } j_1 = j, j_2 = K, j_3 = j' \\ m_1 = m, m_2 = q, m_3 = m'$$

$$\text{i.e. } C_{mqm'}^{jKj'}$$

$$\boxed{\langle k' j' m' | T_K^q | k j m \rangle \propto C_{mqm'}^{jKj'}}$$

leads to statement of the th^m in Eqn. 77.

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How does it follow?

I] One can prove using C.G. series that if D matrices are known C.G. coeffs. can be determined upto a constant factor.

II] If the D matrices are known, $\langle k'j'm' | T_K^q | kjm \rangle$ can also be determined upto a constant factor.

III] Eqⁿ. satisfied by C.G. coeffs. and $\langle k'j'm' | T_K^q | kjm \rangle$ are the same.

IV] $\langle k'j'm' | T_K^q | kjm \rangle$ proportional to $C_{mqm'}^{jKj'}$

Follow Merzbacher Chapter 16 for this
Note: notation slightly different!!

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[Not done in class]

Matrix element of a vector operator from the general formulation of W-E th^m. for irreducible spherical tensor.

Statement

$$\langle k' j' m' | T_K^q | k j m \rangle = \langle j m k q | j' m' \rangle \langle k' j' || T_K || k j \rangle$$

A vector operator V_x, V_y, V_z

$$T_1^0 = V_z, \quad T_1^1, T_1^{-1} \propto V_{\pm}, V_{\mp} \text{ respectively}$$

~~$$\langle k' j' j | J_z | k j j \rangle = j \hbar \delta_{k k'} = 1$$~~

For two different vector operators $\vec{V}, \vec{W}$ then one will have

$$\left[\frac{\langle k' j' m' | T_1^q | k j m \rangle}{\langle k' j' || T_1^q || k j \rangle} = \frac{\langle k' j' m' | J_1^q | k j m \rangle}{\langle k' j' || J_1^q || k j \rangle} \right] = \langle j m k q | j' m' \rangle \quad \downarrow \text{eq. with.}$$

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Use $T_1^0 = J_z, \quad T_1^1, T_1^{-1} \propto J_{\pm}$ as defined in eq. 77

(77) & (78)

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From 79 we have for any vector operator $\vec{A}$

$$\langle k' j' m' | A^q | k j m \rangle = \frac{\langle k' j' || \vec{A} || k j \rangle}{\langle k' j' || \vec{J} || k j \rangle} \langle k' j' m' | J^q | k j m \rangle$$

→ (80)

We should then have an expression for $\langle k' j' || \vec{J} || k j \rangle$

(This has to be indep. of which component of $\vec{J}$ we are taking)

Consider therefore

$$\langle k' j j | J_z | k j j \rangle = \langle j j; 10 | 1 j; j j \rangle \langle k' j || \vec{J} || k j \rangle$$

$$\therefore \hbar j \delta_{kk'} = \langle j j; 10 | 1 j; j j \rangle \langle k' j || \vec{J} || k j \rangle$$

But $\langle j j; 10 | 1 j; j j \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{j}{j+1}}$

$$\therefore \left[\hbar \sqrt{j(j+1)} \delta_{kk'} \delta_{jj'} = \langle k' j' || \vec{J} || k j \rangle \right] \rightarrow (81)$$

For any scalar operator for $j' = j$

$$\langle k' j m' | \vec{J} \cdot \vec{A} | k j m \rangle = c \langle k' j || \vec{A} || k j \rangle \quad (82)$$

Put $\vec{A} = \vec{J}$

$$\langle k' j m' | \vec{J}^2 | k j m \rangle = \delta_{kk'} \delta_{mm'} \delta_{jj'} j(j+1) \hbar^2$$

→ (83)

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'c' in Eq. 82 should be independent of $\vec{A}$.

$$c \langle K'j || \vec{J} || Kj \rangle = j(j+1) \hbar^2$$

$$\text{But } c \langle K'j || \vec{J} || Kj \rangle = \hbar \sqrt{j(j+1)} c$$

from Eq. (81)

$$\Rightarrow c = \sqrt{j(j+1)} \hbar$$

Now Eq. (82) then gives

$$\langle K'j m' | \vec{J} \cdot \vec{A} | Kj m \rangle = \sqrt{j(j+1)} \hbar \langle K'j || \vec{A} || Kj \rangle$$

↳ (84)

Combining (84) with (80) and (81) we get

$$(85) \leftarrow \langle K'j m' | A^2 | Kj m \rangle = \frac{\langle K'j m | \vec{J} \cdot \vec{A} | Kj m \rangle \langle j m' || \vec{J} || j m \rangle}{j(j+1) \hbar^2}$$

C-T derives this more rigorously using the projection theorem.