Spin



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Orbital magnetic dipole moment

• for an electron moving in a circular orbit

$$\dot{e} = \frac{e}{T} = \frac{ev}{2\pi r}$$

in classical electrodynamics, it produces a magnetic dipole moment
 B

$$\mu_l = iA = \frac{ev}{2\pi r}\pi r^2 = \frac{evr}{2}$$

Bohr magneton

The electron also has an angular momentum

L = mvr

• The dipole moment and L are related to each other

$$\frac{\mu}{L} = \frac{evr/2}{mvr} = \frac{e}{2m} = \frac{g_l \mu_b}{\hbar}$$

• A constant Bohr magneton is defined

$$\mu_b = \frac{e\hbar}{2m} = 0.927 \times 10^{-23} \text{ A m}^2$$

Gyromagnetic ratio

- The constant g_l is called gyromagnetc ratio
- For orbital motion $g_l = 1$
- The magnetic dipole moment can be written as

$$\mu = -\frac{g_l \mu_b}{\hbar} L$$

• The dipole moment and L are in antiparallel because of negative charge

Quantum results

• for angular momentum eigenstates

 $L = l(l+1)\hbar \qquad \qquad L_z = m\hbar$

• The dipole moment has

$$\mu_l = \sqrt{l(l+1)}g_l\mu_b$$

$$\mu_{l,z} = -mg_l \mu_b$$

Energy in a magnetic field

• A magnetic dipole moment experiences a torque in a magnetic field

 $\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu}_l \times \vec{B}$

• The force is conservative, and gives a potential energy

$$\Delta E = -\vec{\mu}_l \cdot \vec{B}$$

precession

The torque produces a change in angular momentum

$$\tau = \mu_l B \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\Delta L}{\Delta t} = \tau = \mu_l B \sin \theta = \frac{g_l \mu_b}{\hbar} L B \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\Delta L}{\Delta t} = \frac{g_l \mu_b}{\hbar} B L_\perp$$

• Precession angle is

$$\Delta \phi = \frac{\Delta L}{L_{\perp}} = \frac{g_l \mu_b}{\hbar} B \Delta t$$



$$\Omega = \frac{\Delta \phi}{\Delta t} = \frac{g_l \mu_b}{\hbar} B$$

Stern-Gerlach experiment

 A stream of atoms moving from the right passes between the asymmetric poles of a magnet. Particles with different values of μ_z are deflected in different directions. The final position of the atom determines its μ_z



spin 1/2 system

- A particle may have an intrinsic angular momentum called spin
- Electrons, protons, and neutrons are all examples of spin-1/2 particles
- If one measure the z-component S_z(or S_x, S_y) of the spin angular momentum for one of these particles, he gets

$$S_z = \pm \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

intrinsic magnetic moment

 electron has an intrinsic magnetic dipole moment by virtue of its spin

$$\mu = -\frac{g_s \mu_b}{\hbar} \mathbf{S}$$

- gyromagnetic ratio, g_s=2
- Hamiltonian

ground state

$$H = -\mu \cdot \mathbf{B} = -\frac{g_s \mu_b}{\hbar} \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

Spin 1/2 system

for angular momentum S=1/2, there are 2 eigenstates

$$s = \frac{1}{2} \qquad \qquad m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

• we can write the states

$$S^{2}\chi_{\pm} = s(s+1)\hbar^{2}$$
$$S_{z}\chi_{\pm} = \pm \frac{1}{2}\hbar$$

commutation relations

mutual commutation relations for L

$$\begin{bmatrix} L_x, L_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} yp_z - zp_y, zp_x - xp_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} yp_z, zp_x \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} zp_y, xp_z \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= -i\hbar yp_x + i\hbar p_y x = i\hbar L_z$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} L_y, L_z \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar L_x$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} L_z, L_x \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar L_y$$

• mutual commutation relations for S

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_x, S_y \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar S_z$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} S_y, S_z \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar S_x$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} S_z, S_x \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar S_y$$

raising and lowering operators

• to show the structure, we define $S_{\pm} = S_x \pm iS_y$

$$\begin{bmatrix} S^2, S_{\pm} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S^2, S_x \end{bmatrix} \pm i \begin{bmatrix} S^2, S_y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} S_z, S_{\pm} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_z, S_x \end{bmatrix} \pm i \begin{bmatrix} S_z, S_y \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= i\hbar S_y \pm \hbar S_x = \pm \hbar S_{\pm}$$

• total angular momentum does not change

$$S^{2}(S_{+}\chi_{\pm}) = (S^{2}S_{+})\chi_{\pm}$$
$$= (S_{+}S^{2})\chi_{\pm} + [S^{2},S_{+}]\chi_{\pm}$$
$$= s(s+1)\hbar^{2}(S_{+}\chi_{\pm})$$

meaning of S+

z-component

$$S_{z}(S_{+}\chi_{-}) = (S_{z}S_{+})\chi_{-}$$

$$= (S_{+}S_{z})\chi_{-} + [S_{z},S_{+}]\chi_{-}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\hbar(S_{+}\chi_{-}) + \hbar(S_{+}\chi_{-}) = \frac{1}{2}\hbar(S_{+}\chi_{-})$$

$$S_{z}(S_{+}\chi_{+}) = (S_{z}S_{+})\chi_{+}$$

$$= (S_{+}S_{z})\chi_{+} + [S_{z},S_{+}]\chi_{+}$$

$$S_{+}\chi_{+} = 0$$

• because $\langle S_z^2 \rangle$ must be smaller than $\langle S^2 \rangle$

 $= \frac{1}{2}\hbar(S_{+}\chi_{+}) + \hbar(S_{+}\chi_{+}) = \frac{3}{2}\hbar(S_{+}\chi_{+})$

meaning of S-

• z-component

$$S_{z}(S_{-}\chi_{-}) = (S_{z}S_{-})\chi_{-}$$

$$= (S_{-}S_{z})\chi_{-} + [S_{z},S_{-}]\chi_{-}$$

$$S_{-}\chi_{-} = 0$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\hbar(S_{-}\chi_{-}) - \hbar(S_{-}\chi_{-}) = -\frac{3}{2}\hbar(S_{-}\chi_{-})$$

$$S_{z}(S_{-}\chi_{+}) = (S_{z}S_{-})\chi_{+}$$

$$= (S_{-}S_{z})\chi_{+} + [S_{z},S_{-}]\chi_{+}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\hbar(S_{-}\chi_{+}) - \hbar(S_{-}\chi_{+}) = -\frac{1}{2}\hbar(S_{-}\chi_{+})$$

$$S_{-}\chi_{+} = C_{-}\chi_{-}$$

eigenstate: spinor

 spinor state(we cannot find spatial functions for them)

$$\chi_{+} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \qquad \chi_{-} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• any spinor state(normalized)

$$\chi = \left(\begin{array}{c} \alpha \\ \beta \end{array}\right) = \alpha \chi_{+} + \beta \chi_{-}$$

$$1 = \langle \chi | \chi \rangle = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \alpha^* & \beta^* \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \alpha \\ \beta \end{array} \right) = |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2$$

Dirac notation

Operators

• Because of the properties, we can write the operators

$$S^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{4}\hbar & 0\\ 0 & \frac{3}{4}\hbar \end{pmatrix} = \frac{3}{4}\hbar \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad S_{z} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\hbar & 0\\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2}\hbar \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}\hbar \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$S_{+} = C_{+}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1\\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad S_{-} = C_{-}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0\\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Sx and Sy
$$S_{x} = \frac{1}{2}(S_{+} + S_{-}) = \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & C_{+} \\ C_{-} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad S_{x} = \frac{1}{2i}(S_{+} - S_{-}) = \frac{1}{2i}\begin{pmatrix} 0 & C_{+} \\ -C_{-} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The hermicitivity of Sx and Sy gives $C_+ = C_-^*$
- We choose C's are real. Notice that the eigenvalues of Sx and Sy are $\pm \frac{1}{2}\hbar$

$$C_{+} = C_{-} = \hbar$$
 $S_{x} = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $S_{x} = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Pauli matrices

• Hermitian operators in 2 level systems $S = \frac{1}{2}\hbar\sigma$

$$\sigma_{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \sigma_{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \sigma_{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• Commutation relations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x, \sigma_y \end{bmatrix} = 2i\sigma_z \qquad \begin{bmatrix} S_x, S_y \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar S_z$$
$$\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2 = \sigma_z^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

• They are anti-commute

$$\{\sigma_a,\sigma_b\}=2\delta_{ab}$$

eigenstates of S_{x}

• To find the eigenstates for $S_x = \frac{1}{2}\hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

• The eigenequation

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array}\right) = \lambda \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array}\right)$$

• The eigenevalue λ^2

$$\lambda^2 - 1 = 0 \qquad \qquad \lambda = \pm 1$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \qquad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Bloch sphere

eigenstates of Sz

$$|z_{+}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$|z_{-}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

eigenstates of Sx

$$|x_{+}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|z_{+}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|z_{-}\rangle$$
$$|x_{-}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|z_{+}\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|z_{-}\rangle$$





some eigenstates

• To find the eigenstates for

$$S_{\theta} = S_z \cos \theta + S_x \sin \theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

• The eigenequation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array} \right) = \lambda \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array} \right)$$

• The eigenevalue $\lambda^2 - 1 = 0$ $\lambda = \pm 1$

• for
$$\lambda = 1 \quad \cos\theta u + \sin\theta v = u$$

 $|\theta_{+}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \\ \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \cos\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{+}\rangle + \sin\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{-}\rangle \quad |\theta_{-}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \\ -\cos\frac{\theta}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \sin\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{+}\rangle - \cos\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{-}\rangle$

rotation in θ

Suppose we choose a direction in the xz-plane that is inclined at an angle θ from the z-axis. Then the amplitude vectors

$$|\theta_{+}\rangle = \cos\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{+}\rangle + \sin\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{-}\rangle$$
$$|\theta_{-}\rangle = \sin\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{+}\rangle - \cos\frac{\theta}{2}|z_{-}\rangle$$



more eigenstates

• To find the eigenstates for

$$S_{\phi} = S_x \cos\phi + S_y \sin\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i\phi} \\ e^{i\phi} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• The eigenequation

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & e^{-i\phi} \\ e^{i\phi} & 0 \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array} \right) = \lambda \left(\begin{array}{c} u \\ v \end{array} \right)$$

- The eigenevalue $\lambda^2 1 = 0$ $\lambda = \pm 1$
- for $\lambda = 1$ $u = e^{-i\phi}v$ $\lambda = -1$ $u = -e^{-i\phi}v$ $|\phi_+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$ $|\phi_-\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ -e^{-i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$



$$\begin{split} \left|\phi_{+}\right\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix} \\ \left|\phi_{-}\right\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\ -e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

General case

• Any rotation in θ and ϕ can be shown that





are eigenstates of

 $S_{\theta,\phi} = S_x \sin\theta \cos\phi + S_y \sin\theta \sin\phi + S_x \cos\theta = \mathbf{n}_{\theta,\phi} \cdot \mathbf{S}$

expectation values

 $\langle S_x \rangle = \langle \chi | S_x | \chi \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^* & \beta^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \end{pmatrix}$ $=\frac{1}{2}\hbar(\alpha^*\beta+\beta^*\alpha)$ $\langle S_{y} \rangle = \langle \chi | S_{y} | \chi \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{*} & \beta^{*} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta^{*} \end{pmatrix}$ $=-\frac{i}{2}\hbar(\alpha^*\beta-\beta^*\alpha)$ $\langle S_{y} \rangle = \langle \chi | S_{y} | \chi \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{*} & \beta^{*} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$ $=\frac{1}{2}\hbar(|\alpha|^2-|\beta|^2)$



rotation about x

$$\sigma_{x}|\theta,\phi_{+}\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \\ \sin\frac{\theta}{2}e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix} = e^{i\phi} \begin{pmatrix} \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \\ \cos\frac{\theta}{2}e^{-i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\theta \to \pi - \theta$$
$$\phi \to -\phi$$

Χ

Y

rotation about x of π also called Pauli-X gate or NOT gate



Gate	Transformation on Bloch sphere (defined for single qubit)
X	π -rotation around the X axis, Z \rightarrow -Z. Also referred to as a bit-flip.
Z	π-rotation around the Z axis, X→–X. Also referred to as a phase-flip.
Н	maps $X \rightarrow Z$, and $Z \rightarrow X$. This gate is required to make superpositions.
S	maps $X \rightarrow Y$. This gate extends H to make complex superpositions. ($\pi/2$ rotation around Z axis).
S [†]	inverse of S. maps $X \rightarrow -Y$. (- $\pi/2$ rotation around Z axis).
Т	π/4 rotation around Z axis.
Т†	-π/4 rotation around Z axis.



for other states, it acts as a rotation about z of π, followed by a rotation about y of π/2

• Phase gates are defined
$$R_{\phi} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

• when
$$\phi = \pi$$
 $R_{\pi} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ is Pauli-Z gate

• when
$$\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$$
 $R_{\pi/2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{Z}$

rotation about z of $\pi/2$ (called S in IBM Q)

• when
$$\phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$$
 $R_{\pi/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1+i \end{pmatrix}$

(called T in IBM Q)

Square root of NOT gate

 $\sqrt{X} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & 1-i \\ 1-i & 1+i \end{pmatrix}$

$$\frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & 1-i \\ 1-i & 1+i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1+i & 1-i \\ 1-i & 1+i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = X$$

rotation about x of $\pi/2$ also called \sqrt{NOT}

Spin dynamics

• Schrodinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d\psi}{dt} = H\psi = \frac{eg\hbar}{4m_e}\sigma \cdot \mathbf{B}\psi$$

If B in z-direction

$$i\hbar \frac{d\psi}{dt} = \frac{eg\hbar}{4m_e}\sigma_z\psi$$

• the spinor state $\psi(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_+(t) \\ \alpha_-(t) \end{pmatrix}$

• for the energy eigenstate
$$\psi(t) = e^{-i\omega t} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_+ \\ \alpha_- \end{pmatrix}$$
eigenstate

• eigen equation
$$\frac{eg}{4m_e} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_+ \\ \alpha_- \end{pmatrix} = \omega \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_+ \\ \alpha_- \end{pmatrix}$$



general solution

$$\psi(t) = ae^{-i\omega_0 t}\phi_+ + be^{i\omega_0 t}\phi_- = \begin{pmatrix} ae^{-i\omega_0 t} \\ be^{i\omega_0 t} \end{pmatrix}$$

spin precession

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-i\phi} \\ e^{i\phi} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad |u_+\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\frac{\phi}{2}} \\ e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \\ e^{i\frac{\phi}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

• Set initial state to be in x-direction

$$\phi = 0$$

$$\psi(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• for arbitrary time

$$\psi(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i\omega_0 t} \\ e^{i\omega_0 t} \end{pmatrix}$$

• The expectation value

$$\left\langle S_{x}\right\rangle = \frac{1}{2}\frac{\hbar}{2}\left(\begin{array}{cc} e^{i\omega_{0}t} & e^{-i\omega_{0}t} \\ 1 & 0\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{cc} e^{-i\omega_{0}t} \\ e^{i\omega_{0}t}\end{array}\right) = \frac{\hbar}{4}\left(e^{2i\omega_{0}t} + e^{-2i\omega_{0}t}\right) = \frac{\hbar\cos 2\omega_{0}t}{2}$$

spin precession

B

t=0

 The spin precession frequency, called Larmor frequency

$$\Omega = 2\omega_0 = \frac{egB}{2m_e} = g\omega_c$$



Paramagnetic resonance

- The magnetic field has a small oscillating part $\mathbf{B} = B_0 \hat{z} + B_1 \cos \omega t \hat{x}$
- solve the Schrodinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \psi = \frac{eg\hbar}{4m_e} \begin{pmatrix} B_0 & B_1 \cos \omega t \\ B_1 \cos \omega t & -B_0 \end{pmatrix} \psi \qquad \psi = \begin{pmatrix} a(t) \\ b(t) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$i\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} a(t) \\ b(t) \end{pmatrix} = \frac{eg}{4m_e} \begin{pmatrix} B_0 & B_1 \cos \omega t \\ B_1 \cos \omega t & -B_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a(t) \\ b(t) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$When B_I = 0 \qquad \psi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} a(0)e^{-i\omega_0 t} \\ b(0)e^{i\omega_0 t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Paramagnetic resonance

- When $B_1 <> 0$, the solution $\psi \approx \psi_0$
- Slowly varying functions A and B

 $a(t)e^{i\omega_0 t} = A(t)$ $b(t)e^{-i\omega_0 t} = B(t)$

• Consider how A and B evolve with time

$$i\frac{dA(t)}{dt} = i\frac{da(t)}{dt}e^{i\omega_0 t} - \omega_0 a(t)e^{i\omega_0 t} = \omega_0 a(t)e^{i\omega_0 t} + \omega_1 b(t)\cos(\omega t)e^{i\omega_0 t} - \omega_0 A(t)$$
$$= \omega_1 b(t)\cos(\omega t)e^{i\omega_0 t} = \omega_1 B(t)\cos(\omega t)e^{2i\omega_0 t} = \frac{1}{2}\omega_1 B(t)\left(e^{2i\omega_0 t + i\omega t} + e^{2i\omega_0 t - i\omega t}\right)$$

$$i\frac{dB(t)}{dt} = \frac{1}{2}\omega_1 A(t)\left(e^{-2i\omega_0 t + i\omega t} + e^{-2i\omega_0 t - i\omega t}\right) \qquad \omega_1 = \frac{egB_1}{4m_e}$$

Rotating wave approximation

• When the driving frequency is close resonance that

 $\omega \approx 2\omega_0$

- There are rapid oscillating and slow oscillating terms
- The rotating wave approximation states that only slow oscillating term is important

$$\left(e^{\pm 2i\omega_0 t + i\omega t} + e^{\pm 2i\omega_0 t - i\omega t}\right) \simeq e^{\pm (2i\omega_0 t - i\omega t)}$$

Rabi oscillation

• To solve the coupled equation

$$i\frac{dA(t)}{dt} \approx \frac{1}{2}\omega_1 B(t)e^{2i\omega_0 t - i\omega t} \qquad i\frac{dB(t)}{dt} \approx \frac{1}{2}\omega_1 A(t)e^{-2i\omega_0 t + i\omega t}$$
$$\frac{d^2 A(t)}{dt^2} \approx -\frac{i}{2}\omega_1 e^{2i\omega_0 t - i\omega t}\frac{dB(t)}{dt} + \frac{1}{2}\omega_1 (2\omega_0 - \omega)e^{2i\omega_0 t - i\omega t}B(t)$$
$$= \left(\frac{\omega_1}{2}\right)^2 A(t) + i(2\omega_0 - \omega)\frac{dA(t)}{dt}$$

• The solution is Rabi frequency

$$A(t) = A(0)e^{i\Omega t} \qquad -\Omega^2 = \left(\frac{\omega_1}{2}\right)^2 - \left(2\omega_0 - \omega\right)\Omega$$

$$\Omega = \left(\omega_0 - \frac{\omega}{2}\right) \pm \sqrt{\left(\omega_0 - \frac{\omega}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\omega_1}{2}\right)^2}$$

State evolution

• General solution $A(t) = A_{+}e^{i\Omega_{+}t} + A_{-}e^{i\Omega_{-}t}$ $B(t) = e^{-2i\omega_{0}t + i\omega t} \frac{2i}{\omega_{1}} \frac{dA(t)}{dt} = -\frac{2}{\omega_{1}}e^{-2i\omega_{0}t + i\omega t} \left(A_{+}\Omega_{+}e^{i\Omega_{+}t} + A_{-}\Omega_{-}e^{i\Omega_{-}t}\right)$ $= -\frac{2}{\omega_{1}}\left(A_{+}\Omega_{+}e^{-i\Omega_{-}t} + A_{-}\Omega_{-}e^{-i\Omega_{+}t}\right)$ • Suppose t=0 $\psi = \begin{pmatrix} a(0) \\ b(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

• The coefficients

$$A(0) = a(0) = 1$$

 $B(0) = b(0) = 0$
 $A_{+} + A_{-} = 1$
 $A_{+} = \frac{\Omega_{-}}{\Omega_{-} - \Omega_{+}}$
 $A_{-} = -\frac{\Omega_{+}}{\Omega_{-} - \Omega_{+}}$

state evolution

 The probability to find the spin pointing in -z direction is

$$\begin{split} P_{-}(t) &= \left| b(t) \right|^{2} = \left| B(t) \right|^{2} = \left(\frac{2}{\omega_{1}} \right)^{2} \left| A_{+} \Omega_{+} e^{-i\Omega_{-}t} + A_{-} \Omega_{-} e^{-i\Omega_{+}t} \right|^{2} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{\omega_{1}} \right)^{2} \left(\frac{\Omega_{-} \Omega_{+}}{\Omega_{-} - \Omega_{+}} \right)^{2} \left| e^{-i\Omega_{-}t} - e^{-i\Omega_{+}t} \right|^{2} \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{2}{\omega_{1}} \right)^{2} \left(\frac{\Omega_{-} \Omega_{+}}{\Omega_{-} - \Omega_{+}} \right)^{2} \left[1 - \cos(\Omega_{-} - \Omega_{+}) t \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega_{1}^{2}}{(2\omega_{0} - \omega)^{2} + \omega_{1}^{2}} \left[1 - \cos\sqrt{(2\omega_{0} - \omega)^{2} + \omega_{1}^{2}} t \right] \end{split}$$

resonance condition

• when
$$\omega = 2\omega_0$$
 $\Omega = \pm \frac{\omega_1}{2}$

• The down-spin probability $P_{-}(t) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos \omega_1 t)$

• For nuclear spin
$$\omega_1 = \frac{egB_1}{4m_n}$$

Nuclear magnetic resonance

Particle	Spin	w _{Larmor} /B s ⁻¹ T ⁻¹	n/B	Auni
Electron	1/2	1.7608 x 10 ¹¹	28.025 GHz/T	
Proton	1/2	2.6753 x 10 ⁸	42.5781 MHz/T	
Deuteron	1	0.4107 x 10 ⁸	6.5357 MHz/T	a la
Neutron	1/2	1.8326 x 10 ⁸	29.1667 MHz/T	
²³ Na	3/2	0.7076 x 10 ⁸	11.2618 MHz/T	
³¹ P	1/2	1.0829 x 10 ⁸	17.2349 MHz/T	VARIAN
¹⁴ N	1	0.1935 x 10 ⁸	3.08 MHz/T	
¹³ C	1/2	0.6729 x 10 ⁸	10.71 MHz/T	
¹⁹ F	1/2	2.518 x 10 ⁸	40.08 MHz/T	

900MHz, B=21.1 T

magnetic field in atoms

- electron spin may have interaction with internal magnetic field of an atom.
- at the moving frame, the nucleus may produce a magnetic field



field transformation

• The B field is related to the Coulomb electric field

$$\vec{E} = \frac{Ze}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} \qquad \qquad \vec{B} = -\varepsilon_0 \mu_0 \vec{v} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \vec{v} \times \vec{E}$$

• This is similar to the transformation in special relativity

$$E'_{\perp} = \gamma \left(E_{\perp} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right) \qquad B'_{\perp} = \gamma \left(B_{\perp} - \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{v} \times \vec{E} \right) \qquad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$$

spin interaction

• The magnetic field produces an energy change to the electron

$$\Delta E = -\vec{\mu}_s \cdot \vec{B} = \frac{g_s \mu_b}{\hbar} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B}$$

• The energy change transformation back to the rest frame would be reduced by half

$$\Delta E = \frac{g_s \mu_b}{2\hbar} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B}$$

spin-orbit interaction

• To combine the two equations and note that

$$\vec{E} = -\frac{\vec{F}}{e} = \frac{1}{e} \frac{dV}{dr} \frac{\vec{r}}{r}$$

$$\vec{B} = -\frac{1}{ec^2 r} \frac{dV}{dr} \vec{v} \times \vec{r} = \frac{1}{emc^2 r} \frac{dV}{dr} \vec{L} \qquad \vec{L} = m\vec{r} \times \vec{v}$$

$$\Delta E = \frac{1}{emc^2 r} \frac{dV}{dr} \frac{g_s \mu_b}{2\hbar} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{L} = \frac{1}{2m^2 c^2 r} \frac{dV}{dr} \vec{S} \cdot \vec{L}$$

in solids

- In semiconductors, the crystal may has internal electric field E
- The E field produces a B field in the electron moving frame

$$\vec{B} = -\frac{1}{c^2}\vec{v} \times \vec{E}$$

• The B field produces energy change

$$\Delta E = -\frac{e\hbar}{4m} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \left(\vec{v} \times \vec{E}\right) \qquad \vec{v} = \frac{\hbar \vec{k}}{m}$$
$$= -\frac{e\hbar^2}{4m^2} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \left(\vec{k} \times \vec{E}\right)$$

Rashba effect

• The Rashba effect states that

$$\vec{E} = E_0 \hat{z}$$

$$\Delta E = -\frac{e\hbar^2 E_0}{4m^2} \left(\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{k}\right) \cdot \hat{z}$$

The spin would precess when moving forward





Addition of two spins

- The 2 spin system
- electron $\begin{bmatrix} S_{1x}, S_{1y} \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar S_{1z}$
- electron 2 $\begin{bmatrix} S_{2x}, S_{2y} \end{bmatrix} = i\hbar S_{2z}$

$$\left[S_{1i}, S_{2j}\right] = 0$$
 for all i, j

Total spin

- Total spin $S = S_1 + S_2$
- commutation relation

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_x, S_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{1x} + S_{2x}, S_{1y} + S_{2y} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} S_{1x}, S_{1y} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} S_{2x}, S_{2y} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= i\hbar S_{1z} + i\hbar S_{2z}$$
$$= i\hbar S_z$$

• Therefor it is easy to find total spin S satisfies the commutation relation of an angular momentum

Eigenvalues

- Consider the states using single spinors
- electron I $\chi_{\pm}^{(1)}$ $S_{1}^{2}\chi_{\pm}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}+1\right)\hbar^{2}\chi_{\pm}^{(1)}$ $S_{1z}\chi_{\pm}^{(1)} = \pm\frac{1}{2}\hbar\chi_{\pm}^{(1)}$
- electron 2 $\chi^{(2)}_{\pm}$

$$S_{2}^{2} \chi_{\pm}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1 \right) \hbar^{2} \chi_{\pm}^{(2)}$$
$$S_{2z} \chi_{\pm}^{(2)} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \hbar \chi_{\pm}^{(2)}$$

product states

• The possible states are (product states)

$$\chi^{(1)}_+\chi^{(2)}_+$$
 $\chi^{(1)}_+\chi^{(2)}_ \chi^{(1)}_-\chi^{(2)}_+$ $\chi^{(1)}_-\chi^{(2)}_-$

• calculate the eigenvalues

$$S_{z}\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} = (S_{1z} + S_{2z})\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)}$$
$$= (S_{1z}\chi_{+}^{(1)})\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)}(S_{2z}\chi_{+}^{(2)})$$
$$= \hbar\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)}$$

$$S_{z}\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)} = S_{z}\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} = 0 \qquad S_{z}\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)} = -\hbar\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)}$$

• Two *m*=0 states

spin triplet and singlet

- Spin triplet S=1, m=1, 0, -1
- Spin singlet S=0, m=0
- May check using lowering operator $S_{-} = S_{1-} + S_{2-}$

$$S_{1-}\chi_{+}^{(1)} = \hbar\chi_{-}^{(1)} \qquad S_{-}\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} = \left(S_{1-}\chi_{+}^{(1)}\right)\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)}\left(S_{2-}\chi_{+}^{(2)}\right) \\ = \hbar\left(\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)}\right)$$

• S=I, m=0 state $X_{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\chi_{-}^{(1)} \chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)} \chi_{-}^{(2)} \right)$

spin triplet and singlet

• One may check the result again

$$S_{-} \frac{\chi_{-}^{(1)} \chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)} \chi_{-}^{(2)}}{\sqrt{2}} = (S_{1-} + S_{2-}) \frac{\chi_{-}^{(1)} \chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)} \chi_{-}^{(2)}}{\sqrt{2}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(S_{1-} \chi_{+}^{(1)} \right) \chi_{-}^{(2)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \chi_{-}^{(1)} \left(S_{2-} \chi_{+}^{(2)} \right)$$
$$= \sqrt{2} \hbar \chi_{-}^{(1)} \chi_{-}^{(2)}$$

• The remaining state m=0

$$X_{-} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big(\chi_{-}^{(1)} \chi_{+}^{(2)} - \chi_{+}^{(1)} \chi_{-}^{(2)} \Big)$$

S²

• check the S² value

 $\mathbf{S}_{1}^{2}X_{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\mathbf{S}_{1}^{2}\left(\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)}\right)$

 $\mathbf{S}_{2}^{2}X_{+} = \frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{+}$

 $=\frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)}+\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)}\right)=\frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{+}$

 $\mathbf{S}^{2} = (\mathbf{S}_{1} + \mathbf{S}_{2})^{2} = \mathbf{S}_{1}^{2} + \mathbf{S}_{2}^{2} + 2\mathbf{S}_{1} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{2}$ $= \mathbf{S}_{1}^{2} + \mathbf{S}_{2}^{2} + 2S_{1x}S_{2x} + 2S_{1y}S_{2y} + 2S_{1z}S_{2z}$ $= \mathbf{S}_{1}^{2} + \mathbf{S}_{2}^{2} + S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+} + 2S_{1z}S_{2z}$

$$S_{1}^{2}X_{-} = \frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{-}$$
$$S_{2}^{2}X_{-} = \frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{-}$$

$$S_{1z}S_{2z}X_{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_{1z}S_{2z}\left(\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_{1z}\chi_{-}^{(1)}S_{2z}\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_{1z}\chi_{+}^{(1)}S_{2z}\chi_{-}^{(2)}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4}\hbar^{2}\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)}\right) = -\frac{1}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{+}$$

$$\left(S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+} \right) X_{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+} \right) \left(\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} + \chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(S_{1+}\chi_{-}^{(1)} \right) \left(S_{2-}\chi_{+}^{(2)} \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(S_{1-}\chi_{+}^{(1)} \right) \left(S_{2+}\chi_{-}^{(2)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hbar^{2} \left(\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)} + \chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} \right) = \hbar^{2} X_{+}$$

$$(S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+})X_{-} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_{1+}S_{2-} + S_{1-}S_{2+}) (\chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)} - \chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_{1+}\chi_{-}^{(1)}) (S_{2-}\chi_{+}^{(2)}) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_{1-}\chi_{+}^{(1)}) (S_{2+}\chi_{-}^{(2)}) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hbar^{2} (\chi_{+}^{(1)}\chi_{-}^{(2)} - \chi_{-}^{(1)}\chi_{+}^{(2)}) = -\hbar^{2}X_{-}$$

S²

• For X_+ , S=I

$$S^{2}X_{+} = S_{1}^{2}X_{+} + S_{2}^{2}X_{+} + S_{1+}S_{2-}X_{+} + S_{1-}S_{2+}X_{+} + 2S_{1z}S_{2z}X_{+}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{+} + \frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{+} + \hbar^{2}X_{+} - \frac{1}{2}\hbar^{2}X_{+}$$

$$= 2\hbar^{2}X_{+} = S(S+1)\hbar^{2}X_{+}$$

• For X₋ , S=0

$$S^{2}X_{-} = S_{1}^{2}X_{-} + S_{2}^{2}X_{-} + S_{1+}S_{2-}X_{-} + S_{1-}S_{2+}X_{-} + 2S_{1z}S_{2z}X_{-}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{-} + \frac{3}{4}\hbar^{2}X_{-} - \hbar^{2}X_{-} - \frac{1}{2}\hbar^{2}X_{-}$$

$$= 0$$

representation



spin-dependent potential

- In many physical systems, two particle interaction is spin-dependent
- the duetron hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{p_1^2}{2m_1} + \frac{p_2^2}{2m_2} + V_1(r) + \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 V_2(r)$$



$$\mathbf{S}_{1} \cdot \mathbf{S}_{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{S}^{2} - \mathbf{S}_{1}^{2} - \mathbf{S}_{2}^{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{S}^{2} - \frac{3}{4} \hbar^{2}$$

- S^2 is a good quantum number, but S_z is not
- for triplet $V(r) = V_1(r) + \left(1 \frac{3}{4}\right)V_2(r) = V_1(r) + \frac{1}{4}V_2(r)$
- for singlet $V(r) = V_1(r) + \left(0 \frac{3}{4}\right)V_2(r) = V_1(r) \frac{3}{4}V_2(r)$

spin-dependent potential

 for deutron, one observes a bound S=I state and an unbound S=0 state

• for BCS paring, bound state S=0



spin singlet and entanglement

- In the spin singlet, quantum states are entangled
- First we do S_x measurement on electron I, we have 50% to get `+' and 50% to get `-'
- then we do S_x measurement on electron 2, the result is 100% opposite to the result of electron 1.



How does it work?

• entangled state $\Psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_2 - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_2 \right)$

• the measurement of S_{x1} project the state to an eigenstate of S_{x1} $S_{x1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ $|S_x = +\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

• The project operator

$$P_{1}(+) = |S_{x} = +\rangle \langle S_{x} = +|$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

measurement

• Projection result

$$P_{1}(+)\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{2} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}_{2}$$
$$= \psi'$$

 The following measurement on S_{x2} will only give `-' result

$$S_{x2}\psi' = S_{x2}P_1(+)\psi = -\frac{\hbar}{2}\psi'$$



Einstein's comment: "spukhafte
 Fernwirkung" or "spooky action at a distance

Addition of L and S

- total angular momentum J = L + S
- product state $Y_{lm}\chi_{\pm}$

$$J_z \psi_{j,m_j} = \hbar m_j \psi_{j,m_j}$$

• eigenvalue $j = l \pm \frac{1}{2}$

$$m_j = -j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j$$


Addition of L and S

• case |
$$j = l + \frac{1}{2}$$
 $m_j = m + \frac{1}{2}$
 $\psi_{j,m_j} = \sqrt{\frac{l+m+1}{2l+1}} Y_{lm} \chi_+ + \sqrt{\frac{l-m}{2l+1}} Y_{lm+1} \chi_-$
• case 2 $j = l - \frac{1}{2}$ $m_j = m + \frac{1}{2}$
 $\psi_{j,m_j} = \sqrt{\frac{l-m}{2l+1}} Y_{lm} \chi_+ + \sqrt{\frac{l+m+1}{2l+1}} Y_{lm+1} \chi_-$

Addition of angular momenta

 $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{L}_1 + \mathbf{L}_2$

• possible total angular momentum

$$j = l_1 + l_2, l_1 + l_2 - 1, \dots |l_1 - l_2|$$

• possible z-component

$$m_j = -j, -j+1, \dots, j-1, j$$

Fine structure

• Consider the total angular momentum

$$\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S} \qquad J^2 = \left(\vec{L} + \vec{S}\right)^2 = L^2 + S^2 + 2\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$$
$$\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{1}{2} \left(J^2 - L^2 - S^2\right)$$

For angular momentum eigenstates, we have

$$\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} \left[j(j+1) - l(l+1) - s(s+1) \right]$$

• The spin-orbital energy is

$$\Delta E = \frac{\hbar^2}{4m^2c^2} \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV}{dr} \right\rangle \left[j(j+1) - l(l+1) - s(s+1) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} j(j+1) - l(l+1) - s(s+1) & j(j+1) - l(l+1) - s(s+1) \\ = \left(l + \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(l + \frac{3}{2}\right) - l(l+1) - s(s+1) & = \left(l - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(l + \frac{1}{2}\right) - l(l+1) - s(s+1) \\ = l & = -l - 1 \end{aligned}$$

• The electron energy is on the order of

$$E_0 \sim -\frac{e^2}{8\pi\varepsilon_0} \left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle = -\frac{e^2}{8\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{1}{a_0}$$
$$= \frac{e^2}{8\pi\varepsilon_0} \left(\frac{me^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0 \hbar^2} \right) = \frac{m}{2\hbar^2} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \right)^2$$

• The spin-orbit energy is on the order of

$$\Delta E \sim \frac{\hbar^2}{4m^2c^2} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left\langle \frac{1}{r^3} \right\rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{4m^2c^2} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{a_0^3}$$
$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{4m^2c^2} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{me^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar^2}\right)^3 = \frac{m}{4c^2\hbar^4} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\right)^4$$
$$= E_0 \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} E_0 \alpha^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0\hbar c} \sim \frac{1}{137}$$
 called fine structure constant

