

Modern Physics: Physics 305, Section 1

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Homework 8: Spin, Magnetic Dipole Moments, and the Spin-Orbit Effect: Homeworks are due as posted on the course web site. They are **NOT** handed in. The student reports that it is completed and receives one point for this. Solutions are already posted, but students are only permitted to look at the solutions after completion. The solutions are intended to be (but not necessarily are) super-perfect and go beyond a complete answer expected on a test.

1. "Let's play *Jeopardy!* For \$100, the answer is: It is the intrinsic angular momentum of a fundamental (or fundamental-for-most-purposes) particle. It is invariant and its quantum number s is always an integer or half-integer.

What is _____, Alex?

- a) rotation b) quantum number c) magnetic moment d) orbital angular momentum
e) spin
2. "Let's play *Jeopardy!* For \$100, the answer is: Goudsmit and Uhlenbeck."
- a) Who are the original proposers of electron spin in 1925, Alex?
b) Who performed the Stern-Gerlach experiment, Alex?
c) Who are Wolfgang Pauli's evil triplet brothers, Alex?
d) What are two delightful Dutch cheeses, Alex?
e) What were Rosencrantz and Guildenstern's first names, Alex?

3. A spin s particle's angular momentum vector magnitude (in the vector model picture) is

a) $\sqrt{s(s+1)}\hbar$. b) $s\hbar$ c) $\sqrt{s(s-1)}\hbar$ d) $-s\hbar$ e) $s(s+1)\hbar^2$

4. The eigenvalues of a component of the spin of a spin $1/2$ particle are always:

a) $\pm\hbar$. b) $\pm\frac{\hbar}{3}$. c) $\pm\frac{\hbar}{4}$. d) $\pm\frac{\hbar}{5}$. e) $\pm\frac{\hbar}{2}$.

5. The quantum numbers for the component of the spin of a spin s particle are always:

a) ± 1 . b) $s, s-1, s-2, \dots, -s+1, -s$. c) $\pm\frac{1}{2}$. d) ± 2 . e) $\pm\frac{1}{4}$.

6. Is the spin (not spin component) of an electron dependent on the electron's environment?

- a) Always.
b) No. Spin is an intrinsic, unchanging property of a particle.
c) In atomic systems, no, but when free, yes.
d) Both yes and no.
e) It depends on a recount in Palm Beach.

7. A spatial operator and a spin operator commute:

never. b) sometimes. c) always. d) always and never. e) to the office.

8. What is

$$\mu_b = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} = 9.27400915(26) \times 10^{-24} \text{ J/T} = 5.7883817555(79) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/T} ?$$

- a) The nuclear magneton, the characteristic magnetic moment of nuclear systems.
b) The Bohr magneton, the characteristic magnetic moment of electronic systems.
c) The intrinsic magnetic dipole moment of an electron.
d) The coefficient of sliding friction.
e) The zero-point energy of an electron.
9. The g factor in quantum mechanics is the dimensionless factor for some system that multiplied by the appropriate magneton (e.g., Bohr magneton for electron systems) times the angular momentum of

the system divided by \hbar gives the magnetic moment of the system. For example for the electron, the intrinsic magnetic moment operator associated with intrinsic spin is given by

$$\vec{\mu}_{\text{op}} = -g\mu_b \frac{\vec{S}_{\text{op}}}{\hbar},$$

where μ_b is the Bohr magneton and S_{op} is the spin vector operator. What is g for the intrinsic magnetic moment operator of an electron to modern accuracy?

- a) 1. b) 2. c) 2.0023193043622(15). d) 1/137. e) 137.
10. An object in a uniform magnetic field with magnetic moment due to the object's angular momentum will both classically and quantum mechanically:
- a) Lancy progress. b) Lorenzo regress. c) London recess. d) Larmor precess.
e) Lamermoor transgress.
11. What is the main internal perturbation preventing the spinless hydrogenic eigenstates from being the actual ones?
- a) The Stark effect. b) The Zeeman effect. c) The Stern-Gerlach effect.
d) The spin-orbit interaction. e) The Goldhaber interaction.
12. The hydrogen atom energy level energies corrected for the fine structure perturbations (i.e., the relativistic and spin-orbit perturbations) is

$$E(n, \ell, \pm 1/2, j) = -\frac{E_{\text{Ryd}}}{n^2} \frac{m}{m_e} \left[1 + \frac{\alpha^2}{n^2} \left(\frac{n}{j+1/2} - \frac{3}{4} \right) \right],$$

where n is the principal quantum number, ℓ is the orbital angular momentum quantum number, $\pm 1/2$ is allowed variations of j from ℓ , j (the total angular momentum quantum number) is a redundant parameter since $j = \max(\ell \pm 1/2, 1/2)$ (but it is a convenient one),

$$E_{\text{Ryd}} = \frac{1}{2} m_e c^2 \alpha^2$$

is the Rydberg energy, m_e is the electron mass, $\alpha \approx 1/137$ is the fine structure constant, and

$$m = \frac{m_e m_p}{m_e + m_p}$$

is the reduced mass with m_p being the proton mass. The bracketed perturbation correction term is

$$\frac{\alpha^2}{n^2} \left(\frac{n}{j+1/2} - \frac{3}{4} \right)$$

which is of order $\alpha^2 \approx 10^{-4}$ times smaller than the unperturbed energy. Show that the perturbation term is always negative and reduces the energy from the unperturbed energy: i.e., show that

$$\frac{n}{j+1/2} - \frac{3}{4} > 0$$

in all cases.

Equation Sheet for Modern Physics

These equation sheets are intended for students writing tests or reviewing material. Therefore they are neither intended to be complete nor completely explicit. There are fewer symbols than variables, and so some symbols must be used for different things: context must distinguish.

The equations are mnemonic. Students are expected to understand how to interpret and use them.

1 Constants

$$c = 2.99792458 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} \approx 2.998 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s} \approx 1 \text{ yr/yr} \approx 1 \text{ ft/ns}$$

$$e = 1.602176487(40) \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

$$E_{\text{Rydberg}} = 13.60569193(34) \text{ eV}$$

$$g_e = 2.0023193043622 \quad (\text{electron g-factor})$$

$$h = 6.62606896(33) \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s} = 4.13566733(10) \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV s}$$

$$hc = 12398.419 \text{ eV \AA} \approx 10^4 \text{ eV \AA}$$

$$\hbar = 1.054571628(53) \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s} = 6.58211899(16) \times 10^{-16} \text{ eV s}$$

$$k = 1.3806504(24) \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K} = 0.8617343(15) \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV/K} \approx 10^{-4} \text{ eV/K}$$

$$m_e = 9.10938215(45) \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg} = 0.510998910(13) \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_p = 1.672621637(83) \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 938.272013(23) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\alpha = e^2/(4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c) = 7.2973525376(50) \times 10^{-3} = 1/137.035999679(94) \approx 1/137$$

$$\lambda_C = h/(m_e c) = 2.4263102175(33) \times 10^{-12} \text{ m} = 0.0024263102175(33) \text{ \AA}$$

$$\mu_B = 5.7883817555(79) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/T}$$

2 Geometrical Formulae

$$C_{\text{cir}} = 2\pi r \quad A_{\text{cir}} = \pi r^2 \quad A_{\text{sph}} = 4\pi r^2 \quad V_{\text{sph}} = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

3 Trigonometry

$$\frac{x}{r} = \cos \theta \quad \frac{y}{r} = \sin \theta \quad \frac{y}{x} = \tan \theta \quad \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\sin(a+b) = \sin(a)\cos(b) + \cos(a)\sin(b) \quad \cos(a+b) = \cos(a)\cos(b) - \sin(a)\sin(b)$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}[1 + \cos(2\theta)] \quad \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}[1 - \cos(2\theta)] \quad \sin(2\theta) = 2\sin(\theta)\cos(\theta)$$

$$\cos(a)\cos(b) = \frac{1}{2}[\cos(a-b) + \cos(a+b)] \quad \sin(a)\sin(b) = \frac{1}{2}[\cos(a-b) - \cos(a+b)]$$

$$\sin(a)\cos(b) = \frac{1}{2}[\sin(a-b) + \sin(a+b)]$$

4 Blackbody Radiation

$$B_\nu = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{[e^{h\nu/(kT)} - 1]} \quad B_\lambda = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{[e^{hc/(kT\lambda)} - 1]}$$

$$B_\lambda d\lambda = B_\nu d\nu \quad \nu\lambda = c \quad \frac{d\nu}{d\lambda} = -\frac{c}{\lambda^2}$$

$$E = h\nu = \frac{hc}{\lambda} \quad p = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

$$F = \sigma T^4 \quad \sigma = \frac{2\pi^5}{15} \frac{k^4}{c^2 h^3} = 5.670400(40) \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}^4$$

$$\lambda_{\max} T = \text{constant} = \frac{hc}{kx_{\max}} \approx \frac{1.4387751 \times 10^{-2}}{x_{\max}}$$

$$B_{\lambda, \text{Wien}} = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} e^{-hc/(kT\lambda)} \quad B_{\lambda, \text{Rayleigh-Jeans}} = \frac{2ckT}{\lambda^4}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \frac{2\pi}{c} \nu = \frac{\omega}{c} \quad k_i = \frac{\pi}{L} n_i \quad \text{standing wave BCs} \quad k_i = \frac{2\pi}{L} n_i \quad \text{periodic BCs}$$

$$n(k) dk = \frac{k^2}{\pi^2} dk = \pi \left(\frac{2}{c} \right) \nu^2 d\nu = n(\nu) d\nu$$

$$\ln(z!) \approx \left(z + \frac{1}{2} \right) \ln(z) - z + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi) + \frac{1}{12z} - \frac{1}{360z^3} + \frac{1}{1260z^5} - \dots$$

$$\ln(N!) \approx N \ln(N) - N$$

$$\rho(E) dE = \frac{e^{-E/(kT)}}{kT} dE \quad P(n) = (1 - e^{-\alpha}) e^{-n\alpha} \quad \alpha = \frac{h\nu}{kT}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \quad f(x - vt) \quad f(kx - \omega t)$$

5 Photons

$$KE = h\nu - w \quad \Delta\lambda = \lambda_{\text{scat}} - \lambda_{\text{inc}} = \lambda_C(1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$\ell = \frac{1}{n\sigma} \quad \rho = \frac{e^{-s/\ell}}{\ell} \quad \langle s^m \rangle = \ell^m m!$$

6 Matter Waves

$$\lambda = \frac{h}{p} \quad p = \hbar k \quad \Delta x \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2} \quad \Delta E \Delta t \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi(k) \Psi_k(x, t) dk \quad \phi(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(x, 0) \frac{e^{-ikx}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx$$

$$v_g = \left. \frac{d\omega}{dk} \right|_{k_0} = \frac{\hbar k_0}{m} = \frac{p_0}{m} = v_{\text{clas},0}$$

7 Non-Relativistic Quantum Mechanics

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + V \quad T = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \quad H\Psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + V\Psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t}$$

$$\rho = \Psi^* \Psi \quad \rho dx = \Psi^* \Psi dx$$

$$A\phi_i = a_i \phi_i \quad f(x) = \sum_i c_i \phi_i \quad \int_a^b \phi_i^* \phi_j dx = \delta_{ij} \quad c_j = \int_a^b \phi_j^* f(x) dx$$

$$[A, B] = AB - BA$$

$$P_i = |c_i|^2 \quad \langle A \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi^* A \Psi dx = \sum_i |c_i|^2 a_i \quad H\psi = E\psi \quad \Psi(x, t) = \psi(x) e^{-i\omega t}$$

$$p_{\text{op}} \phi = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = p\phi \quad \phi = \frac{e^{ikx}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \quad \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (V - E)\psi$$

$$|\Psi\rangle \quad \langle \Psi| \quad \langle x|\Psi\rangle = \Psi(x) \quad \langle \vec{r}|\Psi\rangle = \Psi(\vec{r}) \quad \langle k|\Psi\rangle = \Psi(k) \quad \langle \Psi_i|\Psi_j\rangle = \langle \Psi_j|\Psi_i\rangle^*$$

$$\langle \phi_i|\Psi\rangle = c_i \quad 1_{\text{op}} = \sum_i |\phi_i\rangle \langle \phi_i| \quad |\Psi\rangle = \sum_i |\phi_i\rangle \langle \phi_i|\Psi\rangle = \sum_i c_i |\phi_i\rangle$$

$$1_{\text{op}} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx |x\rangle \langle x| \quad \langle \Psi_i|\Psi_j\rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \langle \Psi_i|x\rangle \langle x|\Psi_j\rangle \quad A_{ij} = \langle \phi_i|A|\phi_j\rangle$$

$$Pf(x) = f(-x) \quad P \frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{df(-x)}{d(-x)} = -\frac{df(-x)}{dx} \quad Pf_{e/o}(x) = \pm f_{e/o}(x)$$

$$P \frac{df_{e/o}(x)}{dx} = \mp \frac{df_{e/o}(x)}{dx}$$

8 Spherical Harmonics

$$Y_{0,0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \quad Y_{1,0} = \left(\frac{3}{4\pi}\right)^{1/2} \cos(\theta) \quad Y_{1,\pm 1} = \mp \left(\frac{3}{8\pi}\right)^{1/2} \sin(\theta)e^{\pm i\phi}$$

$$L^2 Y_{\ell m} = \ell(\ell+1)\hbar^2 Y_{\ell m} \quad L_z Y_{\ell m} = m\hbar Y_{\ell m} \quad |m| \leq \ell \quad m = -\ell, -\ell+1, \dots, \ell-1, \ell$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	...
<i>s</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>d</i>	<i>f</i>	<i>g</i>	<i>h</i>	<i>i</i>	...

9 Hydrogenic Atom

$$\psi_{n\ell m} = R_{n\ell}(r)Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) \quad \ell \leq n-1 \quad \ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

$$a_z = \frac{a_0}{Z} \left(\frac{m_e}{m_{\text{reduced}}} \right) \quad a_0 = \frac{\hbar}{m_e c \alpha} = \frac{\lambda_C}{2\pi\alpha} \quad m_{\text{reduced}} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$R_{10} = 2a_z^{-3/2} e^{-r/a_z} \quad R_{20} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} a_z^{-3/2} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_z} \right) e^{-r/(2a_z)}$$

$$R_{21} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{24}} a_z^{-3/2} \frac{r}{a_z} e^{-r/(2a_z)}$$

$$R_{n\ell} = - \left\{ \left(\frac{2}{na_z} \right)^3 \frac{(n-\ell-1)!}{2n[(n+\ell)!]^3} \right\}^{1/2} e^{-\rho/2} \rho^\ell L_{n+\ell}^{2\ell+1}(\rho) \quad \rho = \frac{2r}{nrZ}$$

$$L_q(x) = e^x \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^q (e^{-x} x^q) \quad \text{Rodrigues's formula for the Laguerre polynomials}$$

$$L_q^j(x) = \left(\frac{d}{dx} \right)^j L_q(x) \quad \text{Associated Laguerre polynomials}$$

$$\langle r \rangle_{n\ell m} = \frac{a_z}{2} [3n^2 - \ell(\ell+1)]$$

$$\text{Nodes} = (n-1) - \ell \quad \text{not counting zero or infinity}$$

$$E_n = -\frac{1}{2} m_e c^2 \alpha^2 \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \frac{m_{\text{reduced}}}{m_e} = -E_{\text{Ryd}} \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \frac{m_{\text{reduced}}}{m_e} \approx -13.606 \times \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \frac{m_{\text{reduced}}}{m_e} \text{ eV}$$

10 Spin, Magnetic Dipole Moment, Spin-Orbit Interaction

$$S_{\text{op}}^2 = \frac{3}{4} \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad s = \frac{1}{2} \quad s(s+1) = \frac{3}{4} \quad S = \sqrt{s(s+1)} \hbar = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \hbar$$

$$S_{z,\text{op}} = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2} \quad \chi_+ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \chi_- = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mu_b = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_e} = 9.27400915(26) \times 10^{-24} \text{ J/T} = 5.7883817555(79) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/T}$$

$$\mu_{\text{nuclear}} = \frac{e\hbar}{2m_p} = 5.05078324(13) \times 10^{-27} \text{ J/T} = 3.1524512326(45) \times 10^{-8} \text{ eV/T}$$

$$\vec{\mu}_\ell = -g_\ell \mu_b \frac{\vec{L}}{\hbar} \quad \mu_\ell = g_\ell \mu_b \ell(\ell + 1) \quad \mu_{\ell,z} = -g_\ell \mu_b \frac{L_z}{\hbar} \quad \mu_{\ell,z} = -g_\ell \mu_b m_\ell$$

$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B} \quad PE = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} \quad \vec{F} = \Delta(\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}) \quad F_z = \sum_j \mu_j \frac{\partial B_j}{\partial z} \quad \vec{\omega} = \frac{g_\ell \mu_b}{\hbar} \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S} \quad J = \sqrt{j(j+1)}\hbar \quad j = |\ell - s|, |\ell - s + 1|, \dots, \ell + s \quad \text{triangle rule}$$

$$J_z = m_j \hbar \quad m_j = -j, -j + 1, \dots, j - 1, j$$

$$E(n, \ell, \pm 1/2, j) = -\frac{E_{\text{Ryd}}}{n^2} \frac{m}{m_e} \left[1 + \frac{\alpha^2}{n^2} \left(\frac{n}{j + 1/2} - \frac{3}{4} \right) \right]$$

11 Special Relativity

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$$\beta = \frac{v}{c} \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \quad \gamma(\beta \ll 1) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}\beta^2 \quad \tau = ct$$

Galilean Transformations

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= x - \beta\tau \\ y' &= y \\ z' &= z \\ \tau' &= \tau \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta'_{\text{obj}} = \beta_{\text{obj}} - \beta$$

Lorentz Transformations

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= \gamma(x - \beta\tau) \\ y' &= y \\ z' &= z \\ \tau' &= \gamma(\tau - \beta x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta'_{\text{obj}} = \frac{\beta_{\text{obj}} - \beta}{1 - \beta\beta_{\text{obj}}}$$

$$\ell = \ell_{\text{proper}} \sqrt{1 - \beta^2} \quad \Delta\tau_{\text{proper}} = \Delta\tau \sqrt{1 - \beta^2}$$

$$m = \gamma m_0 \quad p = mv = \gamma m_0 c \beta \quad E_0 = m_0 c^2 \quad E = \gamma E_0 = \gamma m_0 c^2 = mc^2$$

$$E = mc^2 \quad E = \sqrt{(pc)^2 + (m_0c^2)^2}$$

$$KE = E - E_0 = \sqrt{(pc)^2 + (m_0c^2)^2} - m_0c^2 = (\gamma - 1)m_0c^2$$

$$f = f_{\text{proper}} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \beta}} \quad \text{for source and detector separating}$$

$$f(\beta \ll 1) = f_{\text{proper}} \left(1 - \beta + \frac{1}{2}\beta^2 \right)$$

$$f_{\text{trans}} = f_{\text{proper}} \sqrt{1 - \beta^2} \quad f_{\text{trans}}(\beta \ll 1) = f_{\text{proper}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\beta^2 \right)$$

$$\tau = \beta x + \gamma^{-1} \tau' \quad \text{for lines of constant } \tau'$$

$$\tau = \frac{x - \gamma^{-1} x'}{\beta} \quad \text{for lines of constant } x'$$

$$x' = \frac{x_{\text{intersection}}}{\gamma} = x'_{\text{scale}} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \beta^2}{1 + \beta^2}} \quad \tau' = \frac{\tau_{\text{intersection}}}{\gamma} = \tau'_{\text{scale}} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \beta^2}{1 + \beta^2}}$$

$$\theta_{\text{Mink}} = \tan^{-1}(\beta)$$