### Chap 8

# Atomic physics

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- numbers are later determined from Mosley's experiment)
- predicted three unknown elements, which was found later (Ga, Sc, Ge)

The Incredible Discovery of the LEAST Reactive Elements (The Noble Gases)

#### Modern periodic table



https://www.britannica.com/science/periodic-table

The periodic table can be understood by two rules

- 1. The electrons in an atom tend to occupy the lowest energy levels available to them.
- **2.** Only one electron can be in a state with a given (complete)

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(Later the spin-statistics theorem is derived by Pauli in 1940.)

- ,  $m_{s}$ ) = (1, 0, 0,  $\pm\frac{1}{2}$ ), one e in ground state
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(1, 0, 0,  $-\frac{1}{2}$ ) for the second electron

How many electrons may be in each subshell?<br> $\frac{7p}{6d}$ 



- How many electrons may be in each subshell?<br>
For each  $m_t$ : two values of  $m_s$ <br>
Por each ℓ: (2ℓ + 1) values of  $m_t$ <br>  $\ell = 0$ , (s state) can have two electrons<br>  $\ell = 1$ , (p state) can have six electrons, and so on<br>
 Ele the nuclear charge. They have higher energy than those  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$   $\overline{\phantom{a}}^{5s}$ with lower  $\ell$  values
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#### Atomic Radii



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Addition of angular momenta (see any textbook on QM):

#### Classical

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**Quantum** • Subsystem 1

 $\hat{J}_1$ ,  $\hat{J}_{1z}$   $\hat{J}_1^2 \psi_{j_1 m_1} = j_1 (j_1 + 1) \hbar^2 \psi_j$  $^{2}$ <sub>2</sub>*h*. – *i*. (*i*, + 1) $\hbar^{2}$ <sub>2</sub>*h*.  $j_1m_1 - J_1U_1 + 1$ *JIl*  $\psi_{j_1m_1}$  $2\eta_0$ .  $j_1m_1$  $n_1 = m_1 n \psi_{j_1 m_1}$   $m_1 = j_1, j_1 - 1, \dots, -j_1$ angular momenta (see any textbook on QM<br>
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• Subsystem 2<br>  $\hat{J}_{2z} \hat{J}_{2z}$   $\hat{J}_2$ 

$$
\hat{J}_{2} \hat{J}_{2z} \qquad \hat{J}_{2}^{2} \psi_{j_{2}m_{2}} = j_{2}(j_{2} + 1)\hbar^{2} \psi_{j_{2}m_{2}}
$$
\n
$$
\hat{J}_{2z} \psi_{j_{2}m_{2}} = m_{2}\hbar \psi_{j_{2}m_{2}} \qquad m_{2} = j_{2}, j_{2} - 1, \cdots, -j_{2}
$$

$$
\psi_{j_1j_2\,m_1m_2}
$$

Alternative choice of quantum numbers  $\psi_{i_1i_2\,jm}$ 

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\begin{cases} \hat{J}^2 \psi_{jm} = j(j+1)\hbar^2 \psi_{jm} & j = \sqrt{j(j+1)}\hbar \\ \hat{J}_z \psi_{jm} = m\hbar \psi_{jm} & J_z = m_j \hbar \end{cases}
$$
 magnitude

Suppose 2 subsystems have quantum numbers  $j_1, j_2$  (  $j_1$  >  $j_2$  ), then for the combined system, the quantum number  $j$  can be

 $_1$  +  $J_2$ ,  $J_1$  +  $J_2$  - 1,  $\cdots$  ,  $J_1$  -  $J_2$  | For a given j,  $m = i$ ,  $i =$ Also  $m = m_1 + m_2$ 

e.g.,  $i_1 = 1, i_2 = 1$ 



An atom with only one electron (with spin)

Orbital and spin  
angular momenta,  

$$
J = L + S
$$

$$
J_1 = L, J_2 = S
$$

$$
j_1 = \ell, j_2 = \frac{1}{2}
$$

For total angular momentum, the quantum number j

can have the values

$$
j = \ell \pm s = \ell \pm 1/2 \qquad j = j_1 + j_2, j_1 + j_2 - 1, \dots, j_1 - j_2
$$
  
\n
$$
m = j, j - 1, \dots, -j
$$
  
\nAlso,  $m = m_{\ell} + m_s$   $m = m_1 + m_2$ 

**Example 8-5.** Enumerate the possible values of the quantum numbers j and  $m_i$ , for states in which  $l = 2$  and, of course,  $s = 1/2$ .

According to (8-33a), the two possible values of j are  $5/2$  and  $3/2$ . According to (8-31), for  $j = 5/2$  the possible values of  $m_j$  are  $-5/2$ ,  $-3/2$ ,  $-1/2$ ,  $1/2$ ,  $3/2$ ,  $5/2$ . The same equation states that for  $j = 3/2$  the possible values of  $m_i$  are  $-3/2$ ,  $-1/2$ ,  $1/2$ ,  $3/2$ .

Spin-orbit coupling (SOC)

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$$
\mathbf{E} = \frac{Ze}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r^3}
$$

 $\equiv f(r)\vec{S}\cdot\vec{L}$ 

law



Note: Thomas precession ( $\times \frac{1}{2}$ )  $2'$ )



#### optional

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of the SO coupling energy<br>
Eisberg and Resnick, Chap 8

• For the *n*=2, *l*=1 state of the H atom, estimate the magnitude of the SO coupling energy  
\n
$$
V = -e\phi \qquad V(r) = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}r^{-1} \qquad \frac{dV(r)}{dr} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}r^{-2}
$$
\n
$$
\Delta E = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 2m^2c^2} \frac{1}{r^3} \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{L}
$$
\n
$$
\left\langle \frac{1}{r^3} \right\rangle_{n=2} = \frac{1}{(3a_0)^3}, \qquad \vec{S} \cdot \vec{L} \simeq \hbar^2
$$
\n
$$
\implies |\Delta E| \sim 10^{-4} \text{ eV}
$$
\nThe splitting of spectral lines due to the SOC is called the fine structure of the spectrum  $\frac{18}{10}$  m/sffiff

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gives the same amount of splitting  $|\Delta E| \sim \mu_s B$ 

$$
\mu_s \simeq \mu_b = 0.058 \text{ meV/T}
$$

$$
\Rightarrow B \simeq 1 \text{ T}
$$

• For the case above, there are many quantities related to the angular<br>momentum:  $L^2$ ,  $L_z$ ,  $S^2$ ,  $S_z$ ,  $J^2$ ,  $J_z$ <br>These give six quantum numbers ( $\ell$ ,  $m_e$ ,  $s$ ,  $m_i$ ,  $j$ ,  $m_i$ .) momentum:  $L^2$ ,  $L_z$ ,  $S^2$ ,  $S_z$ ,  $J^2$ ,  $J_z$  $2 \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array}$  $Z \cdot \int$   $\int Z$ 2  $$ z and the state of the stat

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• For example, 
$$
H = H_0 + f(\vec{r})\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}
$$
,  $H_0 = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V(r)$ 

 $S \cdot L = (J^2 - L^2 - S^2)/2$ 

So H commute with  $\ L^2$ ,  $S^2$ ,  $J^2$ , and  $J_z$  ( ${\rm but}$   ${\rm not}$   $L_{\rm z}$ ,  $S_{\rm z}$  ).

 $(\pmb\ell, m_\ell, \pmb s, m_{\scriptscriptstyle S}, j, m_{\boldsymbol j})$ 

•  $(H, L^2, S^2, J^2, J_Z)$  mutually commute with each other.

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\n- \n So  $(\ell, s, j, m_j)$  are good quantum numbers that can label eigenerergy *E*.\n  $j = \ell \pm s = \ell \pm 1/2$ \n
\n- \n Consider an energy eigenstate\n  $\psi_{n,\ell,s,j,m_j}$ \n $H\psi_{n,\ell,s,j,m_j} = E_{n,\ell,s,j,m_j}\psi_{n,\ell,s,j,m_j}$ \n $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}\psi_{n,\ell,s,j,m_j} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} [j(j+1) - \ell(\ell+1) - s(s+1)]\psi_{n,\ell,s,j,m_j}$ \n
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#### Energy-Level Diagram of Sodium

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• The transitions that generate<br>
the doublet<br>  $\frac{1}{1}$ <br>
<sup>3p<sub>3</sub></sup>

the doublet



# Anomalous Zeeman effect (spin + SOC + B field)

$$
\vec{\mu} = -\frac{e}{2m} \left( \vec{L} + 2\vec{S} \right)
$$

man effect (spin + SOC + B field)<br>  $(\vec{L} + 2\vec{S})$ <br>  $\vdots$  J is fixed, L and S rotate around J, **Anomalous Zeeman effect** (spin + SOC + B field)<br>  $\vec{\mu} = -\frac{e}{2m}(\vec{L} + 2\vec{S})$ <br>
• Heuristic argument: **J** is fixed, **L** and **S** rotate around **J**,<br>
maintaining the triangle. So the magnetic moment is<br>
given by the compo given by the component of  $L+2S = J+S$  parallel to J,

$$
\begin{matrix}\nB & -\frac{1}{2} \\
C & -\frac{1}{2} \\
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S\n\end{matrix}
$$

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\n
$$
\vec{S}_{ij} = (\vec{S} \cdot \hat{J}) \hat{J} = \frac{\vec{J}}{2J^2} (J^2 - L^2 + S^2)
$$
\nmagnitude

\n
$$
\frac{\vec{J}}{2J(J+1)} [J(J+1) - L(L+1) + S(S+1)]
$$
\n
$$
\therefore \vec{\mu}_{eff} = -\frac{e}{2m} (\vec{J} + \vec{S}_{ij}) = -g_{ij} \frac{e}{2m} \vec{J}
$$
\n
$$
g_{ij} = 1 + \frac{J(J+1) - L(L+1) + S(S+1)}{2J(J+1)}
$$
 *Lande g-factor (1921)*

$$
\Delta E_{m_j} = -\vec{\mu}_{eff} \cdot \vec{B} = g_j \mu_B m_j, \qquad \mu_B \equiv \frac{e\hbar}{2m}
$$





- The energy of an atom with one electron<br>depends on  $(n, \ell)$   $\longrightarrow$ The energy of an atom with one electron<br>
depends on  $(n, l)$ <br>
The energy of an atom with many electrons<br>  $\begin{array}{ccc}\n & & & \frac{6}{6a} \\
\text{The energy of an atom with many electrons} \\
\text{Energy} & \frac{6}{5a} \\
 & & & & \frac{6}{3a} \\
 & & & & & \frac{6}{3a} \\
 & & & & & & \frac{6}{3a} \\
\end{array}$
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The energy of an atom with many electrons  
\n
$$
H = \sum_{i} \left( \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + V_i \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} V_{ij} + \sum_{i} \lambda_i \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{L}_i
$$
\nComple operators  
\n
$$
H, L^2, S^2, J^2, J_z \implies (n, L, S, J, m_J)
$$
\nexplicit only in B field  
\nWithout **B**, the energy depends on  $(n, L, S, J)$   
\n• Spectroscopic notation 
$$
n^{2S+1}L_J
$$
\nFor L > S, given a L, there are 2S+1 values of J  
\n(from L+S to L-S), and 2S+1 is the multiplicity

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Without **B**, the energy depends on  $(n, L, S, J)$ 

 $|n^{2S+1}L_1|$   $|3b|$ 

For L>S, given a L, there are 2S+1 values of J (from L+S to L-S), and 2S+1 is the **multiplicity**  $2p$ of the state.

For L<S, the multiplicity is less than 2S+1.



Due to e-e interaction, states with different (*L*, *S*,*J*) have different energies.<br>
Which one has the lowest energy? That is,<br>
What's the values of *L*, *S*, and *J* for the atomic ground state?<br>
Hund's rules (1925): Due to e-e interaction, states with different (*L,S,J*) have different energies. Which one has the lowest energy? That is,

What's the values of L, S, and J for the atomic ground state?

#### **Hund's rules** (1925): 洪德法則

- 1. Choose the max value of S that is consistent with the exclusion principle
- 2. Choose the max value of L that is consistent with the exclusion principle and the 1st rule
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To reduce Coulomb repulsion, electron spins like to be parallel, electron orbital motion likes to be in high  $m_l$  state. Both help disperse the charge distribution.





According to Hund's rules

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### Two valence electrons, e.g., 4p+4d





Hund's rule only tell you that the ground state is  $4\,{}^{3}F_{2}$  $2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)$ 



Two types of angular momentum coupling

- Two types of angular momentum coupling<br>
 LS coupling<br>  $\vec{L} = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2$ <br>  $\vec{S} = \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2$ <br>
 JJ coupling<br>  $\vec{J}_1 = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{S}_1$ <br>  $\vec{J} = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{S}_1$ <br>  $\vec{J} = \vec{J}_1 + \vec{J}_2$ <br>
Heavy atoms<br>  $\vec{J}_2 = \vec{L}_2 + \vec{S}_2$  $L_1 + L_2$  $1 + D_2$  $\vec{L} = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2$  $\vec{S} = \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2$  $=\vec{L}_1+\vec{L}_1$  $= \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2$  $\vec{r}$   $\vec{r}$   $\vec{r}$  $\vec{G}$   $\vec{G}$   $\vec{G}$   $\vec{G}$   $\vec{G}$   $\vec{G}$   $\vec{G}$ Two types of angular momentum coupling<br>
• LS coupling<br>  $\vec{L} = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2$ <br>
Light atoms<br>  $(\vec{Z} < 30)$   $\vec{S} = \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2$   $\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$ Light atoms<br>(Z<30)  $(Z<sub>30</sub>)$   $S$
- $_1 = L_1 + S_1$  $2 = L_2 + D_2$  $\vec{J}_1 = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{S}_1$  $\vec{J}_2 = \vec{L}_2 + \vec{S}_2$  $= \vec{L}_1 + \vec{S}$  $=\vec{L}_2+\vec{S}_1$  $\vec{I}$   $\vec{I}$   $\vec{C}$ Heavy atoms



# Ex 8.4: What are the total angular momentum and the spectroscopic notation for the ground state of helium?

**Solution** The two electrons for helium are both 1s electrons. Because helium is a light atom, we use the  $LS$  coupling scheme. We have  $L_1 = 0$  and  $L_2 = 0$ , and therefore

**Ex 8.5:** Consider two electrons in an atom with orbital quantum<br>numbers  $\ell_1 = 1$  and  $\ell_2 = 2$ . Use LS coupling and find all

First, total spin angular momentum,  $S = 0$  or 1.

Second, total orbital angular momentum quantum the same subshell. The spins must be antialigned and  $S = 0$ .<br>Therefore  $J = 0$  also. We can write the ground-state spectro-<br>scopic symbol for helium as  $1^1S_0$ .<br>Consider two electrons in an atom with orbital quantum<br>numbe of  $L = 1, 2,$  and 3.

# Ex 8.7:

#### What are the  $L$ ,  $S$ , and  $J$  values for the first few excited states of helium?

**Solution** The possibilities are

 $1s^12s^1$  $L=0$ If  $S = 0$ , then  $I = 0$ If  $S = 1$ , then  $I = 1$ 

with  $S = 1$  being lowest in energy. The lowest excited state is  ${}^3S_1$  and then comes  ${}^1S_0$ .

$$
1s^{1}2p^{1}
$$
  $L = 1$   
If  $S = 0$ , then  $J = 1$   
If  $S = 1$ , then  $J = 0, 1, 2$ 

The state  ${}^{3}P_0$  has the lowest energy of these states, followed by  ${}^{3}P_{1}$ ,  ${}^{3}P_{2}$ , and  ${}^{1}P_{1}$ . The energy-level diagram for helium is shown in Figure 8.13.



# Ex 8.9:

# What are the possible energy states for atomic carbon?



**Example 10-5.** Evaluate the Landé g factor for the  ${}^{3}P_1$  level in the 2p3s configuration of the magnetic field of 0.1 tesla.

For the <sup>3</sup>P<sub>1</sub> state 
$$
s' = l' = j' = 1
$$
. So  

$$
g = 1 + \frac{1(1+1) + 1(1+1) - 1(1+1)}{2 \times 1(1+1)} = 1 + \frac{2}{2 \times 2} = \frac{3}{2}
$$

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one with the same energy and the others displaced in energy by

and use the result to predict the splitting of the level when the atom is in an external  
\nold of 0.1 tesla.  
\n
$$
{}^{1}P_{1}
$$
 state s' = l' = j' = 1. So  
\n
$$
g = 1 + \frac{1(1 + 1) + 1(1 + 1) - 1(1 + 1)}{2 \times 1(1 + 1)} = 1 + \frac{2}{2 \times 2} = \frac{3}{2}
$$
  
\n1 the possible values of m'\_{j} are -1, 0, 1, so the level is split into three components,  
\ne same energy and the others displaced in energy by  
\n
$$
\Delta E = \mu_{b} B g m'_{j} = \pm \mu_{b} B g = \pm 9.3 \times 10^{-24} \text{ amp-m}^{2} \times 10^{-1} \text{ tesla} \times 1.5
$$
\n
$$
= \pm 1.4 \times 10^{-24} \text{ joule}
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\nEisberg and Resnick, Chap 10