

1. a) Need to keep exchange symmetry, so  
(4 pts)

$$\Psi_A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left[ \begin{aligned} &\psi_a(1) \psi_b(2) \psi_c(3) \dots \psi_b(N) \\ &+ \psi_b(1) \psi_a(2) \psi_c(3) \dots \psi_b(N) \\ &+ \dots \\ &+ \psi_b(1) \psi_b(2) \dots \psi_b(N-1) \psi_a(N) \end{aligned} \right]$$

b) Have  $P_{A \rightarrow B} = \frac{|V_{AB}|^2}{\hbar^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\Delta t}{\hbar}}{\Delta^2}$  for one particle.  
(6 pts)

For  $N$  particles,  $P_{A \rightarrow B} = \frac{|V_{AB}|^2}{\hbar^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\Delta t}{\hbar}}{\Delta^2}$

where  $V_{AB} = \langle \Psi_A | U | \Psi_B \rangle$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left[ \begin{aligned} &\psi_a(1) \psi_b(2) \dots \psi_b(N) \\ &+ \dots \end{aligned} \right] [V(1) + V(2) + \dots + V(N)] \\ \times \psi_b(1) \psi_b(2) \dots \psi_b(N)$$

Have  $\langle \psi_b(n) | U(n) | \psi_b(n) \rangle = 0$ , so for each  $U$ , only one term survives

$$V_{AB} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left[ \langle \psi_a(1) | U(1) | \psi_b(1) \rangle + \langle \psi_a(2) | U(2) | \psi_b(2) \rangle + \dots + \langle \psi_a(N) | U(N) | \psi_b(N) \rangle \right]$$

But each of these is the same,  $= V_{ab}$

$$V_{AB} = \frac{N}{\sqrt{N}} V_{ab} = \sqrt{N} V_{ab}$$

So  $P_{A \rightarrow B} = N \frac{|V_{ab}|^2}{\hbar^2} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{\Delta t}{\hbar}}{\Delta^2} = N P_{a \rightarrow b}$

Factor of  $N$  larger.

2. Need to normalize  $\psi$ :

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi|^2 dx = 2A^2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x/a} dx = 2A^2 \cdot \frac{a}{2} = 1$$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

$$\text{Then get } \langle H \rangle = \left\langle -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + V(x) \right\rangle$$

Kinetic energy

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|x|/a} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} e^{-|x|/a} dx$$

$$\text{except at } x=0, \text{ have } \frac{d^2}{dx^2} e^{-|x|/a} = \frac{1}{a^2} e^{-|x|/a}$$

But at  $x=0$ , have discontinuity in slope

$$\frac{d}{dx} e^{-|x|/a} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{a} & (x < 0) \\ -\frac{1}{a} & (x > 0) \end{cases}$$

step fun. Derivative of step is  $\delta$ -fun

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} e^{-|x|/a} = -\frac{2}{a} \delta(x) \quad \text{for } x=0$$

$$\text{So } KE = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{1}{a} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a^2} e^{-2|x|/a} dx - \frac{2}{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-2|x|/a} \delta(x) dx \right]$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma} \left[ \frac{2}{a^2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x/a} dx - \frac{2}{a} \right]$$

$$\left[ \frac{2}{a^2} \cdot \left(\frac{a}{2}\right) - \frac{2}{a} \right]$$

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{a} \right]$$

$$KE = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} \quad (3 \text{ pts})$$

Potential:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle V \rangle &= \frac{1}{a} \int_{-a}^a e^{-|x|/a} \alpha |x| e^{-|x|/a} dx \\ &= \frac{2\alpha}{a} \int_0^a x e^{-2x/a} dx \\ &= \frac{2\alpha}{a} \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{\alpha a}{2} \quad (3 \text{ pts})\end{aligned}$$

$$\langle H \rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{2ma^2} + \frac{\alpha a}{2}$$
$$\frac{\partial \langle H \rangle}{\partial a} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{ma^3} + \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{a^3} = \frac{m\alpha}{2\hbar^2}$$

$$a = \left(\frac{2\hbar^2}{m\alpha}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle H \rangle &= \frac{\hbar^2}{4m} \left(\frac{m\alpha}{2\hbar^2}\right)^{2/3} + \frac{\alpha}{4} \left(\frac{2\hbar^2}{m\alpha}\right)^{1/3} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\hbar^2 \alpha^2}{m}\right)^{1/3} \left(\frac{1}{2^{2/3}} + 2^{1/3}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2\hbar^2 \alpha^2}{m}\right)^{1/3} \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1\right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\langle H \rangle = \frac{3}{8} \left(\frac{2\hbar^2 \alpha^2}{m}\right)^{1/3}} \quad = 0.47 \left(\frac{\hbar^2 \alpha^2}{m}\right)^{1/3}$$

(2 pts)

Gaussian gives  $\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha^2 \hbar^2}{2\pi m}\right)^{1/3} = 0.81 \left(\frac{\hbar^2 \alpha^2}{m}\right)^{1/3}$

3. Born approximation says

$$f(\theta, \phi) = -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{i(\vec{k}' - \vec{k}) \cdot \vec{r}_0} V(\vec{r}_0) d^3r_0$$

$$\vec{k}' = k\hat{z}$$

$$\vec{k} = k\hat{r} \quad \text{for scattering in direction } \hat{r}$$

$$\text{Here } k = \frac{\sqrt{2mE}}{\hbar}$$

Integral is easy. Define  $\vec{q} = \vec{k}' - \vec{k}$

$$f = -\frac{mV_0}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int_{-a}^a e^{iq_x x} dx \int_{-a}^a e^{iq_y y} dy \int_{-a}^a e^{iq_z z} dz$$

$$= -\frac{mV_0}{2\pi\hbar^2} \left[ \frac{e^{iq_x a} - e^{-iq_x a}}{iq_x} \right] \left[ \frac{e^{iq_y a} - e^{-iq_y a}}{iq_y} \right] \times \left[ \frac{e^{iq_z a} - e^{-iq_z a}}{iq_z} \right]$$

$$f = -\frac{4mV_0}{\pi\hbar^2} \frac{\sin q_x a}{q_x} \cdot \frac{\sin q_y a}{q_y} \cdot \frac{\sin q_z a}{q_z}$$

$$\text{Since } q = \vec{k}' - \vec{k},$$

$$q_x = -k_x = -k \sin\theta \cos\phi$$

$$q_y = -k_y = -k \sin\theta \sin\phi$$

$$q_z = k - k_z = k(1 - \cos\theta)$$

Using normal spherical coordinates.

4. Use regular perturbation theory. Don't couple to spin, so no degeneracies.  $H' = -eV = -eZr \cos \theta$

First order shift

$$E^{(1)} = \langle \psi_{100}^0 | H' | \psi_{100}^0 \rangle = -eZ \langle \psi_{100}^0 | z | \psi_{100}^0 \rangle$$

= 0 since s-state is spherically symmetric

Second order shift

$$E_n^{(2)} = \sum_{m \neq n} \frac{|\langle \psi_n^0 | H' | \psi_m^0 \rangle|^2}{E_n^{(0)} - E_m^{(0)}}$$

2 pts: set up

3 pts: find nonzero terms

5 pts: integrals

We only need to consider states  $\psi_{nlm}$  with  $n \leq 3$

Need  $\langle \psi_{nlm} | z | \psi_{100} \rangle$  for these states.

Note: if  $l=0$ , matrix element = 0 due to spherical symmetry

If  $m \neq 0$ ,  $\psi_{nlm}$  has term  $e^{im\phi}$ . This is only  $\phi$  dependence, and it gives zero when integrated.

Leaves only  $\psi_{210}$ ,  $\psi_{310}$  and  $\psi_{320}$ .

Do angular and radial parts separately.

Angular part:  $\langle Y_1^0 | \cos \theta | Y_0^0 \rangle$  ( $z = r \cos \theta$ )

and  $\langle Y_2^0 | \cos \theta | Y_0^0 \rangle$

$$Y_0^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \quad Y_1^0 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos\theta \quad Y_2^0 = \sqrt{\frac{5}{16\pi}} (3\cos^2\theta - 1)$$

Note that  $\cos\theta Y_0^0$  is proportional to  $Y_1^0$

$$\text{So } \langle Y_2^0 | \cos\theta | Y_0^0 \rangle \propto \langle Y_2^0 | Y_1^0 \rangle$$

But  $Y_l^m$ 's are orthogonal, so this is zero.

Need  $\langle Y_1^0 | \cos\theta | Y_0^0 \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos^2\theta \sin\theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left( -\frac{\cos^3\theta}{3} \right) \Big|_0^\pi \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \boxed{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}} \end{aligned}$$

Radial part:

Need  $\langle R_{21} | r | R_{10} \rangle$  and  $\langle R_{31} | r | R_{10} \rangle$

$$R_{10} = \frac{2}{a^{3/2}} e^{-r/a}$$

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

$$R_{31} = \frac{8}{27\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{a^{3/2}} \left(1 - \frac{r}{6a}\right) \frac{r}{a} e^{-r/3a}$$

$$\langle R_{21} | r | R_{10} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{a^4} \int_0^\infty (r e^{-r/2a}) r (e^{-r/a}) r^2 dr$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{a^4} \int_0^\infty r^4 e^{-3r/2a} dr$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{a^4} \cdot 4! \left(\frac{2a}{3}\right)^5$$

$$= \frac{24}{\sqrt{6}} a \cdot \frac{2^5}{3^5} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} a \frac{2^8}{3^4} = \boxed{\frac{2^{15/2}}{3^{9/2}} a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle R_{3,1} | r | R_{1,0} \rangle &= \frac{16}{27\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{a^3} \int_0^\infty \left(1 - \frac{r}{6a}\right) \frac{r}{a} e^{-r/3a} \cdot r \cdot e^{-r/a} r^2 dr \\
&= \frac{2^4}{3^3\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{a^4} \left[ \int_0^\infty r^4 e^{-4r/3a} dr - \frac{1}{6a} \int_0^\infty r^5 e^{-4r/3a} dr \right] \\
&= \frac{2^4}{3^3\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{a^4} \left[ 4! \left(\frac{3a}{4}\right)^5 - \frac{1}{6a} \cdot 5! \left(\frac{3a}{4}\right)^6 \right] \\
&= \frac{2^4}{3^3\sqrt{6}} a \frac{4!}{24} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^5 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{6} \cdot 5 \cdot \frac{3}{4} \right] \\
&= \frac{2^4}{3^3\sqrt{6}} a \frac{3^6}{2^7} \left[ 1 - \frac{5}{8} \right] \\
&= \frac{3^4}{2^6\sqrt{6}} a = \boxed{\frac{3^{7/2}}{2^{13/2}} a}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{So } \langle \psi_{210} | z | \psi_{100} \rangle &= \frac{2^{15/2}}{3^5} a = 0.74 a \\
\langle \psi_{310} | z | \psi_{100} \rangle &= \frac{3^3}{2^{13/2}} a = 0.30 a
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } E^{(2)} = e^2 \Sigma^2 a^2 \left[ \frac{2^{15}}{3^{10}} \frac{1}{E_1 - E_2} + \frac{3^6}{2^{13}} \frac{1}{E_1 - E_3} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{e^2 \Sigma^2 a^2}{E_1} \left[ \frac{2^{15}}{3^{10}} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} + \frac{3^6}{2^{13}} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{9}} \right] \\
&= \frac{e^2 \Sigma^2 a^2}{E_1} \left[ \frac{2^{17}}{3^{11}} + \frac{3^8}{2^{15}} \right] \\
&\quad [0.74 + 0.20]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{E^{(2)} = 0.94 \frac{e^2 \Sigma^2 a^2}{E_1}}$$

$$E_1 = -13.6 \text{ eV}$$

5. This is a two level system, use time dependent perturbation theory.

Without perturbation, have states  $\chi_+ = \psi_a$ ,  $\chi_- = \psi_b$

$$E_a = \mu_B B_0 \quad E_b = -\mu_B B_0$$

$$\text{So } \omega_0 = \frac{E_a - E_b}{\hbar} = \frac{2\mu_B B_0}{\hbar}$$

$$\mu_B = \frac{e\hbar}{2m}$$

Use 1st  
order PT,  
correctly:  
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Perturbation is  $H' = 2 \frac{\mu_B}{\hbar} B_1 S_x$

$$\text{Know } S_x = \frac{\hbar}{2} \sigma_x = \frac{\hbar}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } H'_{ab} = \mu_B B_1 = H'_{ba}$$

Have constant perturbation.

Know answer from problem 9.2 :

$$c_b(t) = \frac{2H'_{ba}}{i\hbar\omega} \sin \frac{\omega t}{2}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 + 4 \frac{|H'_{ba}|^2}{\hbar^2}}$$

$$\text{So } P_{a \rightarrow b}(t) = |c_b|^2 = \frac{4\mu_B^2 B_1^2}{\sqrt{4\mu_B^2 B_0^2 + 4\mu_B^2 B_1^2}} \sin^2 \frac{\omega t}{2}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{B_1^2}{\sqrt{B_0^2 + B_1^2}} \sin^2 \frac{\mu_B t}{\hbar} \sqrt{B_0^2 + B_1^2}}$$



To derive this from scratch, use

$$\dot{c}_a = -i\Omega e^{-i\omega_0 t} c_b$$

$$\dot{c}_b = -i\Omega e^{i\omega_0 t} c_a \quad \text{for } \Omega = \frac{H_{cb}}{\hbar}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{c}_b &= -i\Omega (i\omega_0 c_a + \dot{c}_a) e^{i\omega_0 t} \\ &= -i\Omega \left( i\omega_0 \frac{\dot{c}_b}{-i\Omega} e^{-i\omega_0 t} - i\Omega e^{-i\omega_0 t} c_b \right) e^{i\omega_0 t} \\ &= i\omega_0 \dot{c}_b - \Omega^2 c_b\end{aligned}$$

$$\ddot{c}_b - i\omega_0 \dot{c}_b + \Omega^2 c_b = 0$$

Try  $c_b = e^{\lambda t}$ :  $\lambda^2 - i\omega_0 \lambda + \Omega^2 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= \frac{1}{2} (i\omega_0 \pm \sqrt{-\omega_0^2 - 4\Omega^2}) \\ &= \frac{i}{2} (\omega_0 \pm \omega)\end{aligned}$$

$$c_b(t) = A e^{i \frac{\omega_0 + \omega}{2} t} + B e^{i \frac{\omega_0 - \omega}{2} t}$$

$$c_b(0) = 0, \text{ so } B = -A$$

$$\begin{aligned}c_b(t) &= A e^{i \frac{\omega_0 t}{2}} (e^{i \frac{\omega t}{2}} - e^{-i \frac{\omega t}{2}}) \\ &= 2iA e^{i\omega_0 t/2} \sin \frac{\omega t}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{c}_b(0) = A \left[ i \frac{\omega_0 + \omega}{2} - i \frac{\omega_0 - \omega}{2} \right] = iA\omega$$

$$\text{But } \dot{c}_b(0) = -i\Omega c_a(0) = -i\Omega = iA\omega$$

$$\text{So } A = -\frac{\Omega}{\omega}$$

$$\boxed{c_b(t) = \frac{2\Omega}{i\omega} \sin \frac{\omega t}{2}} \quad \checkmark$$

6. By adiabatic theorem, particle remains in the ground state.

Energy for square well size  $a$ :  $E_1 = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2ma^2}$

So for size  $2a$   $E_1 = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2m(2a)^2} = \boxed{\frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{8ma^2}}$