

1. Eigenstates of potential

$$\psi_{n_x n_y n_z}(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{2}{a}\right)^{3/2} \sin \frac{n_x \pi x}{a} \sin \frac{n_y \pi y}{a} \sin \frac{n_z \pi z}{a}$$

Also have spins s_1 and s_2 . Write states $\psi_T(s)$, $\psi_U(s)$

a) Ground state

Energy lowest if both electrons have $n_x = n_y = n_z = 1$

But then spatial part of wavefunction is symmetric, so spin part needs to be antisymmetric

So

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, s_1, \vec{r}_2, s_2) = \psi_{111}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{111}(\vec{r}_2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_T(s_1) \psi_U(s_2) - \psi_U(s_1) \psi_T(s_2)]$$

Only one state, so degeneracy $d = 1$

b) Excited state

Now can have one $n_i = 2$

Could be n_x, n_y , or $n_z = 3$ choices

If spatial part is symmetric, need antisymmetric spin $\equiv (00)$

But if spatial part is antisymmetric, can have symmetric spin:

3 possibilities $\psi_T(s_1) \psi_T(s_2) \equiv (11)$ state

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_T(s_1) \psi_U(s_2) + \psi_U(s_1) \psi_T(s_2)] = (10)$ state

$\psi_U(s_1) \psi_U(s_2) = (1-1)$ state

Four possibilities for spin, so $3 \times 4 = 12$ states total

$d = 12$

List states :

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_{211}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_2) + \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{211}(\vec{r}_2)] |100\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_{121}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_2) + \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{121}(\vec{r}_2)] |100\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_{112}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_2) + \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{112}(\vec{r}_2)] |100\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_{211}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_2) - \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{211}(\vec{r}_2)] |111\rangle$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \{ \\ \{ \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} \text{"} \\ \text{"} \end{array} \left. \begin{array}{l} \} \\ \} \end{array} \right\} |110\rangle$$

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2. a) Distinguishable particles

Label configurations by number of particles in state $A \equiv N_A$

Can have $N_A = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ or 6 : seven configurations

For each configuration, have $Q(N_A)$ states

$$Q(0) = 1 \quad : \quad \text{all particles in } 2_B$$

$$Q(1) = 6 \quad : \quad \text{six ways to choose which particle is in } 2_A$$

$$Q(2) = \frac{6 \cdot 5}{2} = 15 \quad : \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{six choices for first particle} \\ \text{five for second} \\ \text{but order doesn't matter, divide by 2} \end{array}$$

$$Q(3) = \frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 3} = 20$$

$$Q(4) = \frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} = 15$$

$$Q(5) = \frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} = 6$$

$$Q(6) = 1$$

Generally

$$Q(N) = \frac{6!}{N!(6-N)!} = \binom{6}{N}$$

Probability to have all particles in some state

$$= \frac{Q(1) + Q(6)}{\sum Q} = \frac{2}{64} = \boxed{\frac{1}{32}}$$

2. (b) Bosons

Same seven configurations as before.

But now there is just one state for each configuration = totally symmetric state

So $Q(N_A) = 1$ for all N_A

Probability that all particles in same state

is
$$\frac{Q(0) + Q(6)}{\Sigma Q} = \boxed{\frac{2}{7}}$$

3. Unperturbed states $\psi_n^0(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{a}$
 $E_n^0 = \frac{\hbar^2 n^2 \pi^2}{2ma^2}$

a) Fermions

Ground state: Can't put two fermions in same state, so $\psi^0(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_1(x_1)\psi_2(x_2) - \psi_2(x_1)\psi_1(x_2)]$

→ no degeneracy

So $E^{(1)} = \langle \psi^0 | H' | \psi^0 \rangle = U_0 \int \psi^0(x_1, x_2) \delta(x_1 - x_2) \psi^0(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$

But $\psi(x_1, x_2) = 0$ if $x_1 = x_2$

So $E^{(1)} = 0$

The same will be true for any state, since $\psi(x_1, x_2) = 0$ always if $x_1 = x_2$

So $E^{(1)} = 0$ for all states: $E_n = E_n^0$

b) Bosons

Ground state: $\psi^0(x_1, x_2) = \psi_1(x_1)\psi_1(x_2)$

→ no degeneracy

$E^{(1)} = U_0 \frac{4}{a^2} \int_0^a \int_0^a \sin^2 \frac{\pi x_1}{a} \sin^2 \frac{\pi x_2}{a} \delta(x_1 - x_2) dx_1 dx_2$

$= 4U_0 \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a \sin^4 \frac{\pi x}{a} dx$

$V = \frac{\pi x}{a}$

$= \frac{4}{\pi} U_0 \int_0^\pi \sin^4 u du$

From Dwight, $\int_0^{\pi} \sin^4 u \, du = \frac{3\pi}{8}$

$$\text{So } E^{(1)} = \frac{4}{\pi} U \cdot \frac{3\pi}{8} = \boxed{\frac{3}{2} U}$$

Excited state

Have one particle in ψ_1 , one in ψ_2

$$\psi(x_1, x_2) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{a} \left[\sin \frac{\pi x_1}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x_2}{a} + \sin \frac{2\pi x_1}{a} \sin \frac{\pi x_2}{a} \right]$$

Only one state, so no degeneracy.

$$\begin{aligned} E^{(1)} &= Ua \iint \psi^*(x_1, x_2) \delta(x_1 - x_2) \psi(x_1, x_2) \, dx_1 \, dx_2 \\ &= Ua \int_0^a \psi(x, x)^2 \, dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But } \psi(x, x) = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{a} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin \frac{2\pi x}{a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } E^{(1)} &= Ua \frac{8}{a^2} \int_0^a \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{a} \sin^2 \frac{2\pi x}{a} \, dx & u = \frac{\pi x}{a} \\ &= \frac{8}{\pi} U \int_0^{\pi} \sin^2 v \sin^2 2v \, dv \\ &= \frac{32}{\pi} U \int_0^{\pi} \sin^4 v \cos^2 v \, dv \\ &= \frac{32}{\pi} U \int_0^{\pi} \sin^4 v - \sin^6 v \, dv \\ &= \frac{32}{\pi} U \left(\frac{3\pi}{8} - \frac{5\pi}{16} \right) \quad (\text{Dwight}) \\ &= \frac{32}{\pi} U \left(\frac{\pi}{16} \right) = \boxed{2U} \end{aligned}$$

3.c) Distinguishable particles

Ground state: Both particles in ground state

$$\psi^0(x_1, x_2) = \psi_1(x_1) \psi_1(x_2)$$

Same as bosons, so $E^{(1)} = \frac{3}{2} U$

Excited state: One particle in $n=2$ state

Two states: $\psi_A^0 = \psi_1(x_1) \psi_2(x_2)$

$$\psi_B^0 = \psi_2(x_1) \psi_1(x_2)$$

These are degenerate: need to use degenerate PT

Try to find a basis where H' is diagonal:

Note H' commutes with exchange operator P

So use $\psi_{\pm}^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_1(x_1) \psi_2(x_2) \pm \psi_2(x_1) \psi_1(x_2)]$

Check $\langle \psi_+ | H' | \psi_- \rangle$

$$= Ua \int dx_1 dx_2 \psi_+^*(x_1, x_2) \delta(x_1 - x_2) \psi_-(x_1, x_2)$$

$$= 0, \text{ since } \psi_-(x, x) = 0$$

So we have $E_{\pm}^{(1)} = \langle \psi_{\pm} | H' | \psi_{\pm} \rangle$

But we already evaluated these for (a) and (b)!

$$\boxed{E_+^{(1)} = 2U \quad E_-^{(1)} = 0}$$

4. Unperturbed states $\psi(r) = R_{nl}(r) Y_l^m(\theta, \phi)$

$$Y_0^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}}$$

$$Y_1^0 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \cos\theta$$

$$Y_1^{\pm 1} = \mp \sqrt{\frac{3}{8\pi}} \sin\theta e^{\pm i\phi}$$

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

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

(From Chapter 4)

We have 4 degenerate states.

No obvious basis where H' will be diagonal, so just work out complete W matrix.

Label states

$$A = l=0 \quad m=0$$

$$B = l=1 \quad m=-1$$

$$C = l=1 \quad m=0$$

$$D = l=1 \quad m=+1$$

$$W_{AA} = \underbrace{\int r^2 dr |R_{20}|^2}_{=1} \int \sin\theta d\theta d\phi |Y_0^0|^2 \cos\theta \cos\phi$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos\theta \sin\theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\phi d\phi = 0$$

$$\text{Similarly, } W_{ii} = \int \sin\theta d\theta d\phi |Y_l^m|^2 \cos\theta \cos\phi$$

$$= \int_0^\pi f(\theta) d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} \cos\phi d\phi = 0 \quad \text{for all states,}$$

since $|Y_l^m|^2$ has no ϕ dependence.

$$W_{AA} = W_{BB} = W_{CC} = W_{DD} = 0$$

$$W_{BA} = \underbrace{\int R_{21} R_{20} r^2 dr}_{Q} \int \sin \theta d\theta d\phi (Y_1^{-1})^* Y_0^0 \cos \theta \cos \phi$$

Call this Q for
now. Only evaluate
if we need to

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{Q}{4\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\phi} \cos \phi d\phi \\ &= \frac{Q}{4\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin^3 \theta}{3} \Big|_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\phi} \cos \phi d\phi \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

So $W_{BA} = 0$

Will have $W_{DA} = 0$ for same reason

$$W_{CA} = Q \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \phi d\phi$$

$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos \phi d\phi = 0$

So $W_{CA} = 0$ as well.

$$W_{CB} = \beta \underbrace{\int (R_{21})^2 r^2 dr}_{=1} \int (Y_1^0)^* Y_1^{-1} \cos \theta \cos \phi \sin \theta d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \beta \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^{\pi} \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-i\phi} \cos \phi d\phi$$

$$= \beta \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{4} \int_0^{\pi} \sin^2 2\theta d\theta \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{-2i\phi} + 1) d\phi$$

$$= \beta \frac{3}{32\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) (2\pi)$$

$$= \beta \frac{3\pi}{32} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

4. - continued

$$\begin{aligned}W_{BD} &= \beta \int (R_{21})^2 r^2 dr \int (Y_1^{-1})^+ Y_1^1 \cos\theta \cos\phi \sin\theta d\theta d\phi \\&= -\beta \frac{3}{8\pi} \int_0^\pi \cos\theta \sin^3\theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} e^{2i\phi} \cos\phi d\phi \\&= -\beta \frac{3}{8\pi} \frac{\sin^4\theta}{4} \Big|_0^\pi \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^{2\pi} e^{3i\phi} + e^{i\phi} d\phi \right) \\&= 0\end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}W_{CO} &= \beta \int (R_{21})^2 r^2 dr \int (Y_1^0)^+ Y_1^1 \cos\theta \cos\phi \sin\theta d\theta d\phi \\&= -\beta \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \int_0^\pi \cos^2\theta \sin^2\theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\phi} \cos\phi d\phi \\&= -W_{CB}\end{aligned}$$

So have

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha & 0 & -\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & -\alpha & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \alpha = \frac{3}{32} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \beta$$

See that state A is not mixed with other states,
and also that it has no energy shift

For B, C, and D states, solve

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & \alpha & 0 \\ \alpha & -\lambda & -\alpha \\ 0 & -\alpha & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$-\lambda^3 + 2\lambda\alpha^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 0$$
$$\lambda = \pm \alpha\sqrt{2} = \pm \frac{3\pi}{32} \beta$$

So energy shifts are:

$$E^{(1)} = 0, 0, -\frac{3\pi}{32}\beta, +\frac{3\pi}{32}\beta$$