

Total Angular Momentum



Example 1

$S = \frac{1}{2}$

$|\phi_{mj}\rangle = |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$J^2 |\phi_{mj}\rangle = j(j+1) |\phi_{mj}\rangle$

$|\phi_{mj}\rangle = |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$J_z |\phi_{mj}\rangle = m_j |\phi_{mj}\rangle$

$J_z |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = m_s |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$J_z (L_z + S_z) |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = L_z |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle + S_z |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = m_s |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$J_z |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = m_j |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$m_j = m_s$

$L_x = L_x + i L_y, L_y = L_x - i L_y, S_x = S_x + i S_y, S_y = S_x - i S_y$

$J^2 |\phi_{mj}\rangle = J^2 |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$J^2 = (L+S)^2 = L^2 + L \cdot S + S \cdot L + S^2 = L^2 + 2L \cdot S + S^2$

$J^2 = L^2 + L_x S_x + L_y S_y + L_z S_z + S^2$

$J^2 |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = (L^2 + L_x S_x + L_y S_y + L_z S_z + S^2) |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$J^2 |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = L^2 |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle + L_x S_x |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle + L_y S_y |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle + L_z S_z |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle + S^2 |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$J = S$

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$J_z |\psi_{j, m_j}\rangle = \sqrt{j(j+1) - m_j(m_j \pm 1)} |\psi_{j, m_j \pm 1}\rangle$

$L_z |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = \sqrt{l(l+1) - m_l(m_l \pm 1)} |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$L_z |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = \frac{m_l}{0} |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$S^2 |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = s(s+1) |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle = \frac{3}{4} |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

Summarizing

$S = \frac{1}{2}, l = 0$

$|\phi_{mj}\rangle = |\psi_{0,0, s, m_s}\rangle$

$|\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$J = S, m_j = m_s$

Example 2

$J = L + S, S = \frac{1}{2}, l = 1$

$|\phi_{mj}\rangle = ?$

$|\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle = |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$L^2 |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle = l(l+1) |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$L_z |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle = m_l |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$S^2 |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle = s(s+1) |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$S_z |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle = m_s |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$J^2 |\phi_{mj}\rangle = j(j+1) |\phi_{mj}\rangle$

$J_z |\phi_{mj}\rangle = m_j |\phi_{mj}\rangle$

$J_z |\phi_{mj}\rangle = (L_z + S_z) |\phi_{mj}\rangle$

Assume $|\phi_{mj}\rangle = |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$J_z |\phi_{mj}\rangle = (L_z + S_z) |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle = (m_l + m_s) |\psi_{l m_l, s m_s}\rangle$

$$m_j |\psi_{e, m_j, s, m_s}\rangle = (m_l + m_s) |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle$$

$$m_j = m_l + m_s$$

$$\begin{cases} L_z |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle = \sqrt{l(l+1)} m_l |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle \\ S_z |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle = \sqrt{s(s+1)} m_s |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle \end{cases}$$

$$J^2 |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle = (L^2 + S^2 + 2\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}) |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle$$

$$\phi_{s, m_j} |\psi_{e, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle$$

$$|\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=1/2}\rangle + |\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=-1/2}\rangle)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\sqrt{l(l+1)-m_l(m_l-1)} |\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=1/2}\rangle + 2m_l m_s |\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=1/2}\rangle \right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\sqrt{l(l+1)-m_l(m_l+1)} |\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=-1/2}\rangle + 2m_l m_s |\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=-1/2}\rangle \right)$$

$$+ \frac{s(s+1)}{2(\frac{1}{2}+1)} |\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=1/2}\rangle$$

⇒ Top State Theorem

Take Top states of

$$|\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=1/2}\rangle$$

$$|\psi_{e, m_l=1, s=1/2, m_s=-1/2}\rangle$$

$$|\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle$$

$$J^2 |\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle = 2 |\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle + 1 |\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle + \frac{3}{4} |\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle =$$

$$= (2+1+\frac{3}{4}) |\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle$$

$$\frac{3}{4} (\frac{3}{2} + 1) |\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle$$

$$1 \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$j = \frac{3}{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} l &= 1 \\ s &= \frac{1}{2} \\ j &= \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\phi\rangle = |\Phi_{j, m_j}\rangle = |\psi_{\pm 1/2; \pm 1/2}\rangle$$

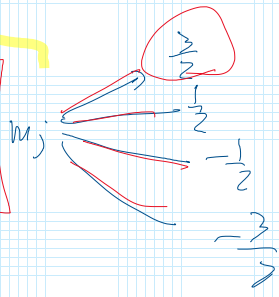
$$j = 1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$m_j = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Top state

$$|\Phi_{m_j}\rangle$$

$$j = \frac{3}{2}$$

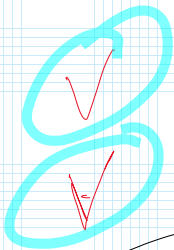


$|\Phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}}\rangle$ - state - Top state.

$$\rightarrow |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$|\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

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4 - states

$$J_- |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle \text{ - HW}$$

⇒ Using step down operation

$$J_- |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}}\rangle = \sqrt{j(j+1) - m_j(m_j-1)} |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}-1}\rangle$$

$$\frac{3}{2}(\frac{3}{2}+1) - \frac{3}{2}(\frac{3}{2}-1) |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

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

$$J_- |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}}\rangle = \sqrt{3} |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$(\hat{L}_- + \hat{S}_-) |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle = L_- |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + S_- |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle = 11$$

$$\sqrt{l(l+1) - m_l(m_l-1)} |\psi_{10, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \sqrt{s(s+1) - m_s(m_s-1)} |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$\sqrt{1(1+1) - 1(1-1)} |\psi_{10, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}+1) - \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)} |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$= \sqrt{2} |\psi_{10, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$\sqrt{3} |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \sqrt{2} |\psi_{10, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$|\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{10, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$m_j = m_l + m_s$$

$$J_- |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \sqrt{j(j+1) - m_j(m_j-1)} |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle = 2 |\phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$(L+S_-) \cdot \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{11; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{11; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle \right) +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{11; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle \right) =$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{(l+1)-m_l(m_l-1)}}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{1-1; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{(l+1)-m_l(m_l-1)}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$+ \frac{\sqrt{(s+1)-m_s(m_s-1)}}{1} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{\sqrt{(s+1)-m_s(m_s-1)}}{0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{11; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{3}{2}}\rangle =$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{1-1; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$2 |\phi_{\frac{3}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{1-1; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$|\phi_{\frac{3}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{1-1; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$J_- |\phi_{\frac{3}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{(s+1)-m_s(m_s-1)}}{\sqrt{3}} |\phi_{\frac{3}{2} -\frac{3}{2}}\rangle = \sqrt{3} |\phi_{\frac{3}{2} -\frac{3}{2}}\rangle$$

$$(L_- + S_-) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} |\psi_{1-1; \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} |\psi_{10; \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle \right)$$

$$|\Phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}}\rangle = |\Psi_{1-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle \quad \text{HW}$$

⇒ Counting of states

$$|\Phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}}\rangle \quad j = \frac{3}{2} \quad m_j = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$|\Phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle \quad \boxed{4 \text{ states}}$$

$$|\Phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle \quad j = \frac{3}{2} \quad m_j = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$|\Phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}}\rangle$$

$$|\Psi_{l, m_l, s, m_s}\rangle = |\Psi_{l, m_l}\rangle \otimes |s, m_s\rangle$$

states: 6

$$m_j = m_l + m_s$$

$m_s = \frac{3}{2} \rightarrow j = \frac{3}{2}$
 $m_s = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow j = \frac{3}{2}, j = \frac{1}{2}$

2-missing Φ states

Always

$$m_j = m_l + m_s$$

Top state

$$m_j = 1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$m_j^{\max} \geq j \rightarrow j = \frac{3}{2}$$

one

$$j = \frac{1}{2} \quad m_j = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$m_j = m_l + m_s$$

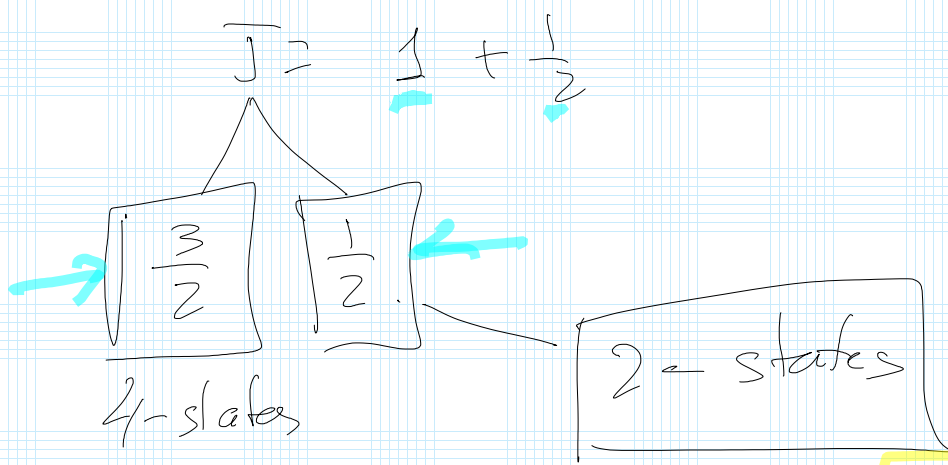
$$m_j = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

one

$$j = \frac{1}{2}; \quad m_j = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$m_j = -l + \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \underline{J = L + S}$$



$$|\phi_{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \alpha |\psi_{10, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \beta |\psi_{11, \frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$m_j = m_l + m_s$

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$$|\phi_{\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle = \gamma |\psi_{10, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle + \delta |\psi_{11, -\frac{1}{2}}\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$$

$$\gamma^2 + \delta^2 = 1$$

from above

$$\langle \phi_{\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} | \phi_{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\langle \phi_{\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} | \phi_{\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}} \rangle = 0$$

$\alpha_{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}}$

$$\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \langle \chi_{10, \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}} | + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \langle \chi_{11, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} | \right) \left(\alpha | \chi_{10, \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}} \rangle + \beta | \chi_{11, \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}} \rangle \right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \beta = 0 \Leftarrow$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \beta = 0 \\ \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \alpha = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \beta$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \beta^2 + \beta^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \beta^2 = 1$$

$$\beta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$\alpha = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \beta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$J_+ | \phi_{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}} \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \left(\sqrt{2} | \chi_{11, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} \rangle - | \chi_{10, \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}} \rangle \right)$$

$(L_+ + S_+)$

$$| \phi_{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \left[| \chi_{10, \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} \rangle - \sqrt{2} | \chi_{1-1, \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}} \rangle \right]$$

