

1. Determine the values of total angular momentum of a $2p$ state (orbital angular momentum $l = 1$) of hydrogen and write out the angular wave functions for each of the 6 possible substates.

There are 2 possible values of j : $j = 1/2, 3/2$. The corresponding angular wave functions are

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_{3/2,1,3/2} &= Y_{1,1}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{1/2} \\ \Omega_{3/2,1,1/2} &= \sqrt{2/3} Y_{1,0}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{1/2} + \sqrt{1/3} Y_{1,1}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{-1/2} \\ \Omega_{3/2,1,-1/2} &= \sqrt{1/3} Y_{1,-1}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{1/2} + \sqrt{2/3} Y_{1,0}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{-1/2} \\ \Omega_{3/2,1,3/2} &= Y_{1,-1}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{-1/2} \\ \\ \Omega_{1/2,1,1/2} &= -\sqrt{1/3} Y_{1,0}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{1/2} + \sqrt{2/3} Y_{1,1}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{-1/2} \\ \Omega_{3/2,1,-1/2} &= -\sqrt{2/3} Y_{1,-1}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{1/2} + \sqrt{1/3} Y_{1,0}(\theta, \phi)\chi_{-1/2}\end{aligned}$$

2. Determine the number of ground-state hyperfine levels of the hydrogen-like ion $^{209}\text{Bi}^{+82}$. Find the eigenvalue f of total angular momentum $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{J}$ for each level and give its degeneracy.

Given that $j = 1/2$ and $i = 9/2$ there are a total of $(2j + 1)(2i + 1) = 20$ sublevels. These combine to give **two** possible eigenstates of total angular momentum $f = 4$ and 5. The level $f = 4$ has 9 degenerate sublevels and the level $f = 5$ has 11 possible sublevels.

3. Prove [Varshalovich, Sec. 5.9.1, Eq.(5)]

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^\pi d\theta \sin\theta Y_{l_1, m_1}(\theta, \phi) Y_{l_2, m_2}(\theta, \phi) Y_{l_3, m_3}(\theta, \phi) \\ = \sqrt{\frac{(2l_1 + 1)(2l_2 + 1)(2l_3 + 1)}{4\pi}} \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \\ m_1 & m_2 & m_3 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Rewrite Eq.(1.97) in the notes as

$$Y_{l_2 m_2}(\Omega) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\Omega) = \sum_{l_4} \sqrt{\frac{2l_2 + 1}{4\pi}} (-1)^{l_4 - m_4} \begin{pmatrix} l_4 & l_2 & l_3 \\ -m_4 & m_2 & m_3 \end{pmatrix} \langle l_4 \| C^{l_2} \| l_2 \rangle Y_{l_4 m_4}(\Omega)$$

Multiply both sides of this equation by $Y_{l_1 m_1}(\Omega)$ and integrate over $d\Omega$. The l.h.s. of the resulting equation is the desired answer. The angular integral on the r.h.s. is

$$\int d\Omega Y_{l_1 m_1}(\Omega) Y_{l_4 m_4}(\Omega) = (-1)^{m_1} \delta_{l_4, l_1} \delta_{m_4, -m_1}$$

The sum on the r.l.s. reduces to a single term

$$\sqrt{\frac{2l_2 + 1}{4\pi}} (-1)^{l_1} \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & l_3 \\ m_1 & m_2 & m_3 \end{pmatrix} \langle l_1 \| C^{l_2} \| l_2 \rangle$$

Substituting the expression for the reduced matrix element from Eq.(1.99) leads to the desired result.

