

Zeeman effect: The vector potential for a uniform magnetic \mathbf{B} can be written

$$\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{r}]$$

1. The interaction Hamiltonian is

$$h_{\text{int}}(r) = -ec \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{A} = -\frac{ec}{2} \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot [\mathbf{B} \times \mathbf{r}] = -\frac{ec}{2} \mathbf{B} \cdot [\mathbf{r} \times \boldsymbol{\alpha}]$$

We may rewrite the cross product on the right side of this equation as

$$[\mathbf{r} \times \boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{\lambda} = -i\sqrt{2}r \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{1\lambda}^{(0)}(\hat{r}) \right)$$

Assuming \mathbf{B} is in the z direction, the interaction becomes

$$h_{\text{int}}(r) = i\frac{ecB}{2}\sqrt{2}r \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{10}^{(0)}(\hat{r}) \right)$$

2. The interaction energy W_v in a valence state $|v\rangle$ of a one electron atom may be written

$$W_v = \langle v | h_{\text{int}} | v \rangle = i\frac{ecB}{2}\sqrt{2} \langle v | \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{10}^{(0)}(\hat{r}) \right) | v \rangle$$

The matrix element of $\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{10}^{(0)}$ above is

$$\begin{aligned} & -i \int_0^{\infty} dr r P_v(r) Q_v(r) \left[\langle \kappa_v m_v | \left(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{10}^{(0)}(\hat{r}) \right) | -\kappa_v m_v \rangle \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \langle -\kappa_v m_v | \left(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{10}^{(0)}(\hat{r}) \right) | \kappa_v m_v \rangle \right] \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad = i \langle -\kappa_v m_v | \left(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{10}^{(0)}(\hat{r}) \right) | \kappa_v m_v \rangle (r)_{vv} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(r)_{vv} = 2 \int_0^{\infty} dr r P_v(r) Q_v(r).$$

We note that

$$\langle -\kappa_v m_v | \left(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{C}_{10}^{(0)}(\hat{r}) \right) | \kappa_v m_v \rangle = \frac{2\kappa_v}{\sqrt{2}} \langle -\kappa_v m_v | C_0^1(\hat{r}) | \kappa_v m_v \rangle.$$

Therefore, we have

$$W_v = \frac{ec}{2} B (-2\kappa_v) \langle -\kappa_v m_v | C_0^1(\hat{r}) | \kappa_v m_v \rangle (r)_{vv}$$

The matrix element $\langle -\kappa_v m_v | C_0^1(\hat{r}) | \kappa_v m_v \rangle$ evaluates to

$$\langle -\kappa_v m_v | C_0^1(\hat{r}) | \kappa_v m_v \rangle = -\frac{m_v}{j(j+1)}.$$

3. In the Pauli approximation,

$$\begin{aligned}(r)_{vv} &= -\frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty dr r P_v \left(\frac{dP_v}{dr} + \frac{\kappa_v}{r} P_v \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty dr \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{dr P_v^2}{dr} + \frac{1}{2} (2\kappa_v - 1) P_v^2 \right) = -\frac{2\kappa_v - 1}{2c}\end{aligned}$$

Putting this together, we obtain the following expression for the interaction energy:

$$W_v = -\mu_B B g_v m_v, \quad (1)$$

where

$$g_v = \frac{\kappa_v(2\kappa_v - 1)}{j_v(j_v + 1)} = \frac{2j_v + 1}{2l_v + 1}$$

is the Landé g -factor of the atomic term, and

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

is the Bohr magneton.

The factor g_v has the value 2, 2/3, 4/3, 4/5, 6/5, for $s_{1/2}$, $p_{1/2}$, $p_{3/2}$, $d_{3/2}$, $d_{5/2}$ states, respectively. In the above, $\mu_B = e/2m$ is the Bohr magneton. Its value is $e/2$ in atomic units.

Isotope Shift Answer to second problem is given in the mathematica notebook ProblemSet7.nb.