

## Week 6 & 7: H Atom & Periodic Table Announcements

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## Hydrogen Atom (Solution 3)

- Use the  $V$  from Coulombic potential energy of one proton and one electron (H atom) in  $S$ .

$$\frac{d^2\Psi}{dx^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}(E - V)\Psi = 0 \quad V(r) = \frac{-Zq^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

- Get a separable wave function in spherical coordinates

$$\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R_{n,l}(r)Y_{l,m_l}(\theta, \phi)$$

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## Quantum Numbers

- Since the wave function  $\psi$  must be well behaved, continuous, etc., there are only certain values of the quantum numbers:  $n, l, m_l$  and  $m_s$  which can be used
- Principal quantum number:
- Orbital angular momentum number:
- Magnetic quantum number:
- Spin

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## Radial Wave Function

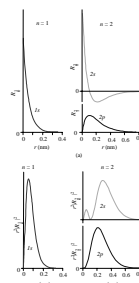


Fig. 3.21: (a) Radial wavefunctions of the electron in a hydrogenic atom for various  $n$  and  $l$  values. (b)  $r/2a_0, l/2$

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## Spherical Harmonic Wave Function

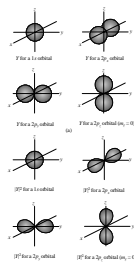


Fig. 3.22: (a) The polar plots of  $Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi)$  for 1s and 2p states. (b) The angular dependence of the probability distribution which is proportional to  $|Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi)|^2$ .

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## Orbitals

- These are **not orbits but orbitals!**
- For **s-states**,  $\Psi$  function does not depend on  $r$ 
  - $R(r)$  is spherical symmetric and we think of s states as spherical orbitals, where the electron density is constant everywhere
  - Probability highest in a shell near
  - For example for H atom:  $r=a_0=0.0529$  nm
    - This is the **1<sup>st</sup> Bohr radius** of the H atom
    - $a_0$  is the radius of the ground state
- P-states** have directionality: these come about in  $Y$  (angular) component

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## Energy Levels

- The energy of the level is determined by n

$$E_n = -\frac{mq^4 Z^2}{8\epsilon_0^2 h^2 n^2}$$

- Now for H, where  $Z=1$ , the lowest energy state is 1s, and the energy of that state is called ionization energy:

$$E_I = \frac{mq^4}{8\epsilon_0^2 h^2} = 13.6eV$$

- For other atoms and other energy levels:

$$E_n = -\frac{Z^2 E_I}{n^2}$$

## Energy Levels of H Atom

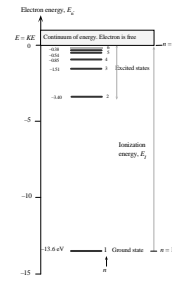


Fig. 3.23: The energy of the electron in the hydrogen atom ( $Z=1$ ). 30

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## Electron in a Box

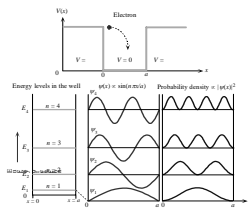


Fig. 3.15: Electron in a one-dimensional infinite PE well. The energy of the electron is quantized. Possible wavefunctions and the probability distributions for the electron are shown. 23

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## Compare Energy States of H with Electron in a Box

- Unlike the electron in a box, the energy states get closer together as n increases, instead of further apart.
- Higher states have smaller (negative) energy values... Why the difference??

## Absorption & Emission Spectra

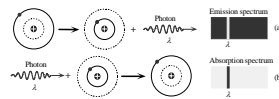


Fig. 3.24: The physical origin of (a) emission and (b) absorption spectra. 31

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## Excitation & Emission

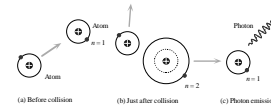


Fig. 3.25: An Atom can become excited by a collision with another atom. When it returns to its ground energy state, it emits a photon. 32

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## Orbital Angular Momentum: l

- l and m<sub>l</sub>: Quantize the magnitude of the orbital angular momentum (just like energy is quantized)
- Orbital angular momentum exists due to the fact that the electron is attracted to the nucleus with a certain force  

$$L = \hbar[l(l+1)]^{1/2}$$
- l gives the shape of the orbitals

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## Orbital Angular Momentum

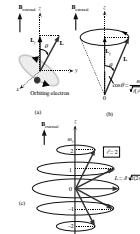


Fig. 3.26(a) The electron has an orbital angular momentum which has a quantized component,  $L_z$ , along an external magnetic field,  $B_{\text{external}}$ . (b) The orbital angular momentum vector  $L$  precesses about the z-axis. Its component  $L_z$  is quantized and describes the orientation of  $L$ ; the angle  $\theta$  is also quantized.  $L$  traces out a cone. (c) According to quantum mechanics, only certain orientations ( $\theta$  for  $L$ ) are allowed as determined by  $l$  and  $m_l$ .

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## Magnetic Quantum Number: m<sub>l</sub>

- In the presence of an external magnetic field: the orbital angular momentum becomes quantized according to m<sub>l</sub>

$$L_z = m_l \hbar$$

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## Absorption/ Emission

- When an atom absorbs energy, an electron can be excited up a level
- When an electron drops down a level, energy can be emitted
- Electrons & photons must obey conservation of momentum
- If a photon is given off or absorbed, the momentum of the electron must change

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## Selection Rules: rules that govern allowable electron transitions

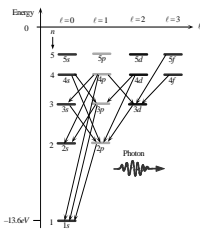


Fig. 3.27: An illustration of the allowed photon emission processes. Photon emission involves  $\Delta l = \pm 1$ .

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- n must change
- $\Delta l = \pm 1$
- $\Delta m_l = 0, \pm 1$

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## Spin: m<sub>s</sub>

- Each state has two electrons
- Each electron has a "spin"  $\pm 1/2$ 
  - "spin" is not really accurate
  - a better way to picture that our electrons have two states is to keep in mind that moving charge has a magnetic field associated with it and picture the 2 spin options as equivalent to N & S of a magnet

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### Spin

Fig. 3.28: Spin angular momentum exhibits space quantization. Its magnitude along  $z$  is quantized so that the angle of  $S$  to the  $z$ -axis is also quantized.

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### Calculations with Quantum Numbers

$$L = \hbar[l(l+1)]^{1/2}$$

$$L_z = m_l \hbar$$

$$S = \hbar[s(s+1)]^{1/2}$$

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

$$S_z = m_s \hbar$$

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### Multi-electron Atoms

Fig. 3.32: A helium-like atom. The nucleus has a charge of  $+Ze$ , where for He  $Z = 2$ . If one electron is removed, we have the He $^+$  ion which is equivalent to the hydrogenic atom with  $Z = 2$ .

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### Multi-electron Atoms

- In atoms with more than one electron, there is an "effective nuclear charge": SCREENING
  - Outer electrons are far from the ion core
  - Inner electron charges can screen the positive nuclear charge
- He atoms has 2 electrons
  - $V(r)$  now depends also on inter-electron distance
  - Where  $r_{12}$  is the distance between the 2 electrons
  - First is Coulombic attraction, the second is repulsion
- This causes the SWE to have a different set of wave functions as solutions
  - Since the "l" quantum numbers determine the orientation of the electron orbitals, the energy now depends not just on  $n$  but also on  $l$
  - $E_{n,l}$  increases with both  $n$  and  $l$

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### Energy Levels in Multi-electron Atoms

Fig. 3.33: Energy of various one-electron states. The energy depends on both  $n$  and  $l$ .

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### Aufbau Chart

1s  
 2s 2p  
 3s 3p 3d  
 4s 4p 4d 4f  
 5s 5p 5d 5f  
 6s 6p 6d 6f

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## Use Chart for Filling Orbitals

### ■ Example Fe (26)

- PEP does not tell us how electrons distribute themselves among the energy levels when there is degeneracy.
- Suppose we have 6 electrons
  - 2 x 1s states. 2 x 2s states.
  - How do the other 2 occupy the 2p states, since there is room for 6 electrons?
  - They could pair their spins and occupy only one  $m_l$  state
  - or align their spins and occupy different  $m_l$  states.

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## Hund's Rule:

- Observations show: electrons in same  $n, l$  subshell prefer to have spins parallel
- This is because by aligning spins, they occupy different orbitals
- If they were crammed into the same orbital with different spin states, there would be a large Coulombic repulsion because they occupy the same region of space.
- Try C(6), N(7), O(8), F(9), Ne(10)

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## Filling Orbitals

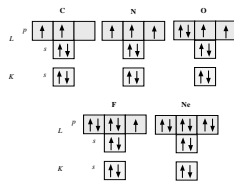


Fig. 3.36: Electronic configurations for C, N, O, F and Ne atoms. Notice that Hund's rule forces electrons to align their spins in C, N and O. The Ne atom has all the K and L orbitals full.

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