

Conclusion:

the space spanned by $(2j_1+1) \cdot (2j_2+1)$ "product" states

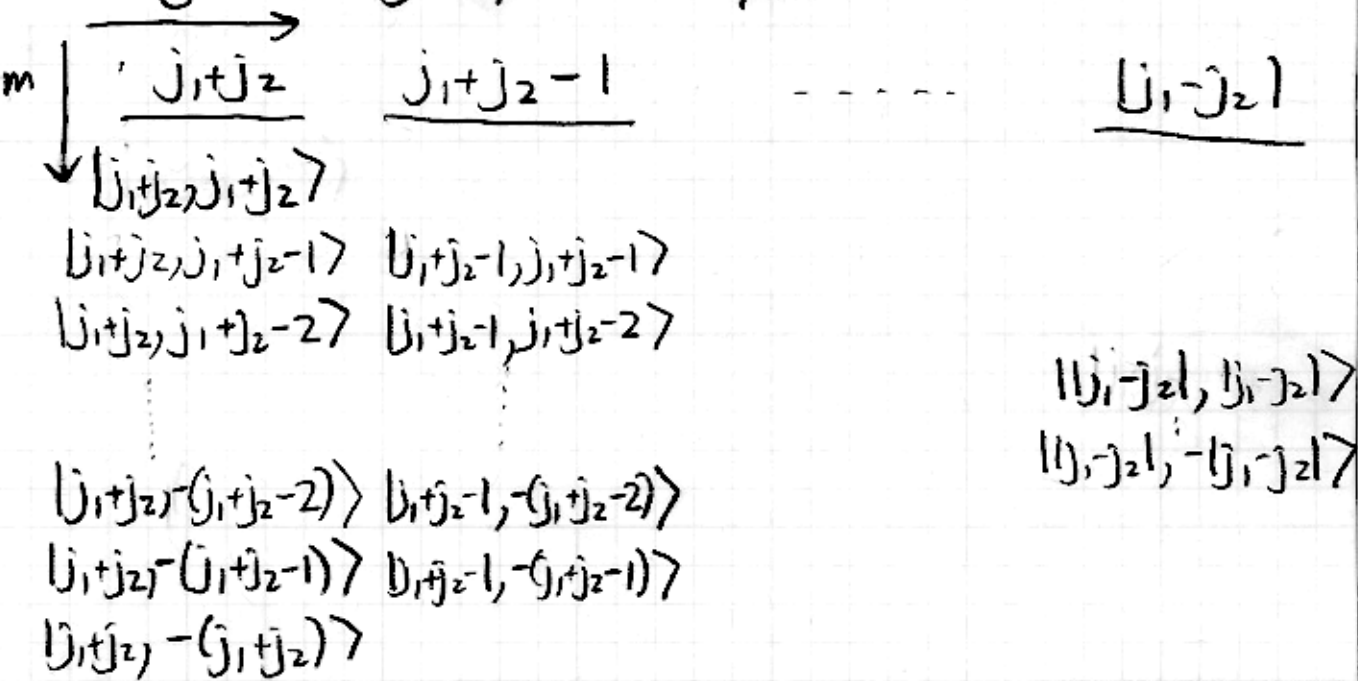
$$|j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2\rangle$$

(eigenkets of $\vec{J}_1^2 + \vec{J}_2^2$ with e.v. $(m_1+m_2)\hbar$;
 \vec{J}_1^2 e.v. $j_1(j_1+1)\hbar^2$
 \vec{J}_2^2 e.v. $j_2(j_2+1)\hbar^2$)

is also spanned

by the $(2j_1+1) \cdot (2j_2+1)$ eigenkets of $(\vec{J}_1 + \vec{J}_2)^2$ with e.v. $j(j+1)\hbar^2$ $|j_1-j_2| \leq j < j_1+j_2$

$$|j m\rangle \quad m = m_1 + m_2$$



$$|j_1-j_2, |j_1-j_2|\rangle$$

$$|j_1-j_2, -(j_1-j_2)\rangle$$

suppose $j_1 = 3$ $j_2 = 2 \rightarrow (2 \cdot 3 + 1) \cdot (2 \cdot 2 + 1) = 35$ product states.

$j=5$	$j=4$	$j=3$	$j=2$	$j=1$
$ 5, 5\rangle$				
$ 5, 4\rangle$	$ 4, 4\rangle$			
$ 5, 3\rangle$	$ 4, 3\rangle$	$ 3, 3\rangle$		
			$ 2, 2\rangle$	$ 1, 1\rangle$
			$ 2, -2\rangle$	$ 1, -1\rangle$
$ 5, -3\rangle$	$ 4, -3\rangle$	$ 3, -3\rangle$		
$ 5, -4\rangle$	$ 4, -4\rangle$			
$ 5, -5\rangle$				

$$11 + 9 + 7 + 5 + 3 = 20 + 12 + 3 = 35$$

"total j" states.

$$2 \cdot 5 + 1 = 11 \quad 2 \cdot 4 + 1 = 9 \quad 2 \cdot 3 + 1 = 7 \quad 2 \cdot 2 + 1 = 5 \quad 3$$

or $3 \otimes 2 = 5 \oplus 3 \oplus 2 \oplus 1$

How does one relate the product states $|j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2\rangle$ to the eigenstates of $(\vec{J}_1 + \vec{J}_2)^2$, $|j m\rangle$? (properly, $|j m, j_1 j_2\rangle$ but we omit j_1 and j_2)

Two states $|j m\rangle$ are really easy to relate to $|j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2\rangle$. These are the states where $j = j_1 + j_2$ and $|m| = j_1 + j_2$; where m is maximal.

$$|j_1 + j_2, j_1 + j_2\rangle = 1 \cdot |j_1, j_1, j_2, j_2\rangle$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$ maximal
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$ maximal too.

no other ways.

$$|j_1 + j_2, -(j_1 + j_2)\rangle = 1 \cdot |j_1, -j_1, j_2, -j_2\rangle$$

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convention (Condon Shortley) : use \downarrow , not $e^{i\theta}$, $\theta \neq 0$.

Now we can get more by using the lowering operators (or raising operators)

$$\hbar J_- |j_1 + j_2, j_1 + j_2\rangle = (\hbar J_{1-} + \hbar J_{2-}) |j_1, j_1, j_2, j_2\rangle$$

$$\hbar J_- |j m\rangle = \hbar [(j+m)(j-m+1)]^{1/2} |j m-1\rangle$$

$$\hbar J_- |j_1 + j_2, j_1 + j_2\rangle = \hbar [2(j_1 + j_2) \times 1]^{1/2} |j_1 + j_2, j_1 + j_2 - 1\rangle$$

$$(\hbar J_{1-} + \hbar J_{2-}) |j_1, j_1, j_2, j_2\rangle = \hbar [(2j_1)^{1/2}] |j_1(j_1-1), j_2, j_2\rangle + \hbar [(2j_2)^{1/2}] |j_1, j_1, j_2(j_2-1)\rangle$$

or $|j_1 + j_2, j_1 + j_2 - 1\rangle = \left[\frac{j_1}{j_1 + j_2} \right]^{1/2} |j_1(j_1-1), j_2, j_2\rangle + \left[\frac{j_2}{j_1 + j_2} \right]^{1/2} |j_1, j_1, j_2(j_2-1)\rangle$

a Clebsch-Gordan coefficient

another C-G coefficient

more specifically: $3 \otimes 2$

$$|55\rangle = |33, 22\rangle$$

$$m = m_1 + m_2$$

$$\hat{J}_- |55\rangle = \hbar [(5+5)(5-5+1)]^{1/2} |54\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{10} |54\rangle$$

$$\hat{J}_- |33, 22\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{6} |32, 22\rangle \quad \hat{J}_- |33, 22\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{4} |33, 21\rangle$$

so $\hat{J}_- |55\rangle = (\hat{J}_- + \hat{J}_-)|33, 22\rangle$

$$\hbar \sqrt{10} |54\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{6} |32, 22\rangle + \hbar \sqrt{4} |33, 21\rangle$$

$$|54\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} |32, 22\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} |33, 21\rangle$$

$\begin{array}{ccc} \underbrace{\quad} & & \underbrace{\quad} \\ 4 & 2+2=4 & 3+1=4 \end{array}$

could keep going to $|53\rangle, |52\rangle$, etc.

The "action" is on the right hand side

$$\hat{J}_- |54\rangle = \hbar [(5+4)(5-4+1)]^{1/2} |53\rangle = \hbar [9 \cdot 2]^{1/2} |53\rangle$$

$$(\hat{J}_- + \hat{J}_-)|32, 22\rangle = \hbar \left([(3+2)(3-2+1)]^{1/2} |31, 22\rangle + [(2+2)(2-2+1)]^{1/2} |32, 21\rangle \right)$$

$$= \hbar \left([5 \cdot 2]^{1/2} |31, 22\rangle + [4]^{1/2} |32, 21\rangle \right)$$

$$(\hat{J}_- + \hat{J}_-)|33, 21\rangle = \hbar \left([3 \cdot 2]^{1/2} |32, 21\rangle + [3 \cdot 2]^{1/2} |33, 20\rangle \right)$$

$$\sqrt{4 \cdot 2} |53\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} \sqrt{5 \cdot 2} |31, 22\rangle + \left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} \cdot \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} + \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \cdot \sqrt{3 \cdot 2} \right) |32, 21\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \sqrt{3 \cdot 2} |33, 20\rangle$$

$$|53\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} |31, 22\rangle + 2\sqrt{\frac{3 \cdot 2}{9 \cdot 5}} |32, 21\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{3 \cdot 2}{9 \cdot 5}} |33, 20\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}{45} + \frac{3 \cdot 2}{45} = \frac{15 + 24 + 6}{45} = 1$$

et cetera... can get all $|5m\rangle$; generally $|j_1, j_2, m\rangle$

to get to different values of total J , use orthogonality.

$|j_1 + j_2 - 1, j_1 + j_2 - 1\rangle$ is orthogonal to

$$|j_1 + j_2, j_1 + j_2 - 1\rangle = \left[\frac{j_1}{j_1 + j_2} \right]^{1/2} |j_1(j_1 - 1), j_2 j_2\rangle + \left[\frac{j_2}{j_1 + j_2} \right]^{1/2} |j_1 j_1, j_2(j_2 - 1)\rangle$$

$$|j_1 + j_2 - 1, j_1 + j_2 - 1\rangle = - \left[\frac{j_2}{j_1 + j_2} \right]^{1/2} |j_1(j_1 - 1), j_2 j_2\rangle + \left[\frac{j_1}{j_1 + j_2} \right]^{1/2} |j_1 j_1, j_2(j_2 - 1)\rangle$$

$$\text{so } |44\rangle = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} |32, 22\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} |33, 21\rangle$$

could now use lowering operators to get $|43\rangle, |42\rangle$, etc. Then could get $|33\rangle$ by requiring that it be orthogonal to $|53\rangle$ and $|43\rangle$.

Now that you know how to derive the C-G coefficients yourself, let's develop how to use tables + programs.

$$|j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2\rangle = \sum_{m_1, m_2} \underbrace{|j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2\rangle}_{\substack{\text{product ket} \\ \text{not an eigenket} \\ \text{of } (\vec{J}_1 + \vec{J}_2)^2}} \underbrace{\langle j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2 | j_1 m, j_2\rangle}_{\substack{\text{Clebsch} \\ \text{Gordan} \\ \text{coefficient}}}$$

$|j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2\rangle$ is an eigenket of $(\vec{J}_1 + \vec{J}_2)^2 \rightarrow \hbar^2 j(j+1)$
 $(j_1 z_1 + j_2 z_2) \rightarrow \hbar m$
 $\vec{J}_1^2 \rightarrow \hbar^2 j_1(j_1 + 1)$ $\vec{J}_2^2 \rightarrow \hbar^2 j_2(j_2 + 1)$

Properties of $\langle j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2 | j_1 m, j_2\rangle$

① unless $|j_1 - j_2| \leq j \leq j_1 + j_2$ $\langle j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2 | j_1 m, j_2\rangle = 0$
 (we knew this already)

② unless $m_1 + m_2 = m$, $\langle j_1 m_1, j_2 m_2 | j_1 m, j_2\rangle = 0$
 (since $j_{1z} + j_{2z} = j_z$)

③ all real by convention

④ Phase convention: $\langle j_1, j_1, j_2, (j-j_1) | j, j \rangle$ is positive

⑤ $\langle j_1, m_1, j_2, m_2 | j, m \rangle = (-1)^{j_1+j_2-j} \langle j_1, (-m_1), j_2, (-m_2) | j, (-m) \rangle$

→ saves time for the "negative" m .

→ if $j_1+j_2=j$, all are positive (obvious).

→ sign flipping starts at $j=j_1+j_2-1$

There are tables! So, suppose you want to combine $j_1=\frac{3}{2}$ $j_2=1$. Use the table...

know $j=\frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$ possible.

suppose you want $| \frac{3}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$

$j \quad m$

$$| \frac{3}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \rangle = a | \frac{1}{2} -1 \rangle + b | -\frac{1}{2} 0 \rangle + c | -\frac{3}{2} 1 \rangle$$

$j, m \quad m_1, m_2 \quad m_1, m_2 \quad m_1, m_2$
 $m_1+m_2=-\frac{1}{2}$

← this side label (m_1, m_2)

go to table:

find $\frac{3}{2} \times 1$

m_1, m_2	$ j = \frac{3}{2} \rangle$ $ m = -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$
$+1/2 \quad -1$	$8/15$
$-1/2 \quad 0$	$-1/15$
$-3/2 \quad +1$	$-2/15$

means: $a = \sqrt{\frac{8}{15}} \quad b = -\sqrt{\frac{1}{15}} \quad c = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}$

a.k.a. $\langle \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2} | -1 | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle \quad \langle \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} | 0 | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle \quad \langle \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2} | 1 | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle$

Inversion of Clebsch-Gordan

You can view the C-G coefficients as elements of a unitary matrix. This means that if you want to express a product ket (like $|\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle, |1, -1\rangle$) as a superposition of eigenkets of total angular momentum, you can read horizontally across the tables (transpose!).

m_1, m_2	$J = 5/2$	$3/2$	$1/2$
	$m = -1/2$	$-1/2$	$-1/2$
$+\frac{1}{2} - 1$	$3/10$	$-8/15$	$1/6$

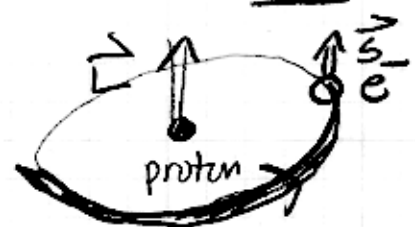
means

$$|+\frac{1}{2} - 1\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{3}{10}} |\frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{8}{15}} |\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\rangle + \sqrt{\frac{1}{6}} |\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

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

Spin-Orbit Coupling

electron in orbit has \vec{L} and \vec{S}



} product states actually not eigenstates of full \hat{H} , because \hat{H} has a piece of $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$. (spin-orbit coupling)

means: eigenkets of \hat{H} will be eigenkets of $\vec{J}^2 = (\vec{L} + \vec{S})^2$

eigenvalues? $J = L \pm 1/2$

Spectroscopic notation: S P D F G H
 $L = 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \dots$

$2S+1 L_J$ $S =$ total spin (sum of electrons spins...)

\rightarrow $^1S_0 =$ helium grand state $L=0; S=0$
 $S_0 \quad J=0$

Lithium could have $S = 3/2$ or $= 1/2$
(3 electrons).

$L=1$ so J could be: $5/2, 3/2, 1/2$
(groundstate).

Lithium could be $2 \cdot \frac{3}{2} + 1$ $P_{5/2} = {}^4P_{5/2}$
 $L=1$

or ${}^4P_{3/2}, {}^4P_{1/2}, {}^2P_{5/2}, {}^2P_{3/2}, {}^2P_{1/2}$ etc.

Our old table of charmonium, bottomonium
had some of these labels

Skip chapter 16 (will possibly return)

Time Independent Perturbation Theory.

Idea: $\tilde{H} = \tilde{H}^0 + \tilde{H}'$
 \uparrow dominant \uparrow small compared to \tilde{H}^0 .

assume \tilde{H}^0 has a basis of eigenkets
 $|n^0\rangle$ (non-degenerate).

like: $|1^0\rangle, |2^0\rangle, |3^0\rangle$

the 0 superscript is
a label, not a power.

$$\tilde{H}^0 |n^0\rangle = E_n^0 |n^0\rangle$$

then, we imagine expanding the exact
eigenkets $|n\rangle$

$$\tilde{H} |n\rangle = E_n |n\rangle$$

in a power series in, crudely, \tilde{H}' / \tilde{H}^0 .