

# Final Exam,

Next Friday, 12/7/2018

7:30 am - 9:30 am

Wednesday 11/28

my office hr

{ 1:15 - 2:30 PM  
4:00 - 4:30 PM

Next Monday 12/3

no class

6 problems

↳ 2 similar to those in Exam 1

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↳ 2 from stationary + time-dependent perturbation theory

### Degenerate + near-Degenerate perturbation Theory

Rayleigh  
- Schrodinger  
perturbation

RS perturbation Theory  
correction  $\sim \lambda \frac{\langle n|V|m \rangle}{E_n - E_m}$   
expanded

$\sim$  ought to be small

would not work, or converges very slow if  $E_n \sim E_m$

**Absolutely fail** if  $E_n = E_m$  degenerate

unless we can arrange the eigenvectors

$$H_0 |m_i\rangle = E_n |m_i\rangle \quad \begin{matrix} k\text{-degenerate} \\ i=1, k \end{matrix}$$

$$|n_\alpha\rangle = \sum_{i=1}^k C_{\alpha i} |m_i\rangle$$

choose  $C_{\alpha i}$  so that

$$\langle n_\alpha | V | n_\beta \rangle = 0 \quad \alpha \neq \beta$$

such that

$\langle n_\alpha | V | n_\alpha \rangle$  is non-vanishing or

$\Rightarrow$  vanishing matrix elements that kill-off

$V$  diagonal in the  $\alpha$ -basis.

the vanishing denominator!

$\uparrow$  simply diagonalize  $V$  in  $\{m_i\}$

$$\langle m_i | V | m_j \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \langle m_1 | V | m_1 \rangle & \langle m_1 | V | m_2 \rangle \\ \langle m_2 | V | m_1 \rangle & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} - E & v_{12} & v_{13} & \dots \\ v_{21} & v_{22} - E & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

solve for  $E_i$

Ex: Stark Effect in hydrogen

↳ under an electric field

$$\vec{E} = -\nabla\phi \quad \text{for } \vec{E} \text{ const}$$

$$\phi = -\vec{E} \cdot \vec{r}$$

$$V = -e\phi = e\vec{E} \cdot \vec{r}$$

take  $\vec{E}$  in the z-axis

electron  $V = eEz$

For the hydrogen atom  $n=2$     2s    2p  $\begin{pmatrix} m=-1 \\ =0 \\ =1 \end{pmatrix}$

Note that:  $[L_z, z] = 0$      $L_z = xP_y - yP_x$

$$0 = \langle 2' n' | [L_z, z] | 2 n \rangle = m' \langle 2' n' | z | 2 n \rangle - m \langle 2' n' | z | 2 n \rangle = (m' - m) \langle 2' n' | z | 2 n \rangle$$

If  $m' \neq m$  then  $\langle 2' n' | z | 2 n \rangle = 0$

The only non-vanishing matrix element is

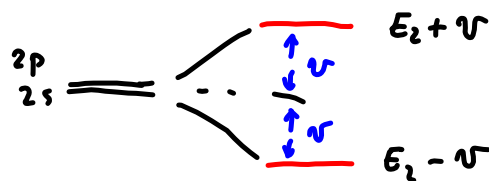
$$\langle 2s | z | 2p, m=0 \rangle = \nu \quad \text{finite matrix element}$$

$$V = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 2s & 2p \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 2s \\ 2p \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \nu \\ \nu & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \det \begin{pmatrix} -E & \nu \\ \nu & -E \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$E^2 - \nu^2 = 0 \quad E = \pm \nu$$

for  $E = \nu$      $\begin{pmatrix} -\nu & \nu \\ \nu & -\nu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta$   
 $\hookrightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|2s\rangle + |2p, m=0\rangle)$

$E = -\nu$      $\begin{pmatrix} \nu & \nu \\ \nu & \nu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \beta = -\alpha$   
 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|2s\rangle - |2p, m=0\rangle)$



Near-degenerate perturbation theory

$|n\rangle + |m\rangle$  are nearly degenerate

$$H = H_0 + V$$

submatrix  $V_1$

$$= H_0 + \begin{pmatrix} \langle n|V|n\rangle & \langle n|V|m\rangle \\ \langle m|V|n\rangle & \langle m|V|m\rangle \end{pmatrix} + (V - V_1)$$

Exactly

diagonalize

$$H_0 + V_1 =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_n^{(0)} & \langle n|V|m\rangle \\ \langle m|V|n\rangle & E_m^{(0)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_n^{(1)} = E_n + \langle n|V|n\rangle$$

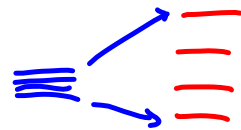
diagonalize this to obtain  $E'$

$$\Rightarrow (E_n^{(0)} - E')(E_m^{(0)} - E') - |\langle n|V|m\rangle|^2 = 0$$

$$E'_{\alpha,\beta} = \frac{E_n^{(0)} + E_m^{(0)}}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{E_n^{(0)} - E_m^{(0)}}{2}\right)^2 + |V_{nm}|^2}$$

For exact degeneracy  $E_n^{(0)} = E_m^{(0)}$

$$E' = E_n^{(0)} \pm |V_{nm}|$$



### Time-dependent perturbation Theory

At time  $t < t_0 = 0$   $i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi_t^0\rangle = H_0 |\Psi_t^0\rangle$  sudden turn-on

time  $t > t_0$  turn on a time-dependent perturbation  $V_t$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi_t\rangle = (H_0 + V_t) |\Psi_t\rangle$$

Since the time-dependence is mostly given by  $H_0$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rightarrow |\Psi_t^0\rangle = e^{-iH_0 t/\hbar} |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

$$(\cancel{H_0} + V_t) e^{-iH_0 t/\hbar} |\Psi(t)\rangle = H_0 \cancel{e^{-iH_0 t/\hbar}} |\Psi(t)\rangle + \cancel{e^{-iH_0 t/\hbar}} i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi(t)\rangle = \underbrace{(e^{iH_0 t/\hbar} V_t e^{-iH_0 t/\hbar})}_{V(t)} |\Psi(t)\rangle$$

(\*)  $i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi(t)\rangle = V(t) |\Psi(t)\rangle$  ←

The state vector  $|\Psi_t\rangle$  evolves according to the Schrödinger picture with  $H_0$ . The potential evolves " " " Heisenberg picture with

↪ mixed - interaction representation.

The solution of the time-dependent Eq. (\*) is given

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = T \left( e^{\frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t V(t') dt'} \right) |\Psi(t_0)\rangle$$

The first-order transition probability

At  $t < t_0$  the system is in state  $|0\rangle$  of  $H_0$  with  $\epsilon_0$ .

After  $t > t_0$ , after we turn on the <sup>initial (not necessary the g.s.)</sup> perturbation,

find the prob. that  $|\psi_t\rangle$  is at the state  $|n\rangle$  of  $H_0$ .

$$\langle n | \psi_t \rangle = \langle n | e^{-iH_0 t / \hbar} |\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-i\epsilon_n t / \hbar} \langle n | \psi(t) \rangle$$

Since  $|\psi(t < t_0)\rangle = |0\rangle$

$$\langle n | \psi_0 \rangle = e^{-i\epsilon_n t / \hbar} \langle n | \left( 1 + \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t V(t') dt' + \dots \right) |0\rangle$$

$$\langle n | \psi_t \rangle = \frac{1}{i\hbar} e^{-i\epsilon_n t / \hbar} \int_{t_0}^t \langle n | V(t') |0\rangle dt'$$

$$|\langle n | \psi_t \rangle|^2 = \left| \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_{t_0}^t e^{i(\epsilon_n - \epsilon_0)t' / \hbar} \langle n | V(t') |0\rangle dt' \right|^2 = P_{0 \rightarrow n}(t)$$