
CHAPTER 8

Atomic Physics



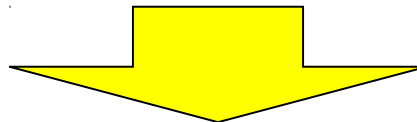
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What distinguished Mendeleev was not only genius, but a passion for the elements. They became his personal friends; he knew every quirk and detail of their behavior.

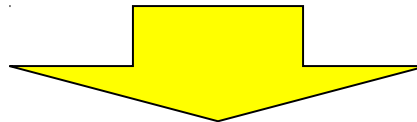
- J. Bronowski

8.1: Atomic Structure and the Periodic Table

- What would happen if there are *more than one electron*?
 - a nucleus with charge $+2e$ attracting two electrons.
 - the two electrons repelling one another.



- Can not solve problems exactly with the Schrödinger equation because of the complex potential interactions.



- Can understand experimental results without computing the wave functions of many-electron atoms by applying the boundary conditions and selection rules.

Pauli Exclusion Principle

- To understand atomic spectroscopic data for optical frequencies, Pauli proposed an exclusion principle:

No two electrons in an atom may have the same set of quantum numbers (n, ℓ, m_ℓ, m_s) .

- It applies to all particles of half-integer spin, which are called *fermions*, and particles in the nucleus are fermions.

The periodic table can be understood by two rules:

- 1) The electrons in an atom tend to occupy the lowest energy levels available to them.
- 2) ~~Pauli exclusion principle.~~

Atomic Structure

Hydrogen: $(n, \ell, m_\ell, m_s) = (1, 0, 0, \pm 1/2)$ in ground state.

- In the absence of a magnetic field, the state $m_s = 1/2$ is degenerate with the $m_s = -1/2$ state.

Helium: $(1, 0, 0, 1/2)$ for the first electron.

$(1, 0, 0, -1/2)$ for the second electron.

- Electrons have \longrightarrow antialigned ($m_s = +1/2$ and $m_s = -1/2$) spins as being *paired*. Supports Pauli exclusion principle.

- The principle quantum number also has letter codes.

□ $n =$ 1 2 3 4...

□ Letter = K L M N...

Electrons for H and He atoms are in the K shell.

H: $1s^2$

He: $1s^1$ or $1s$

- $n =$ **shells** (eg: K shell, L shell, etc.)

- ~~$n\ell =$ **subshells** (eg: $1s, 2p, 3d$)~~

Atomic Structure

How many electrons may be in each subshell?

	Total
For each m_ℓ : two values of m_s	2
For each ℓ : $(2\ell + 1)$ values of m_ℓ	$2(2\ell + 1)$

Recall: $\ell = 0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ \dots$
 letter = $s \ p \ d \ f \ g \ h \ \dots$

$\ell = 0$, (s state) can have two electrons.

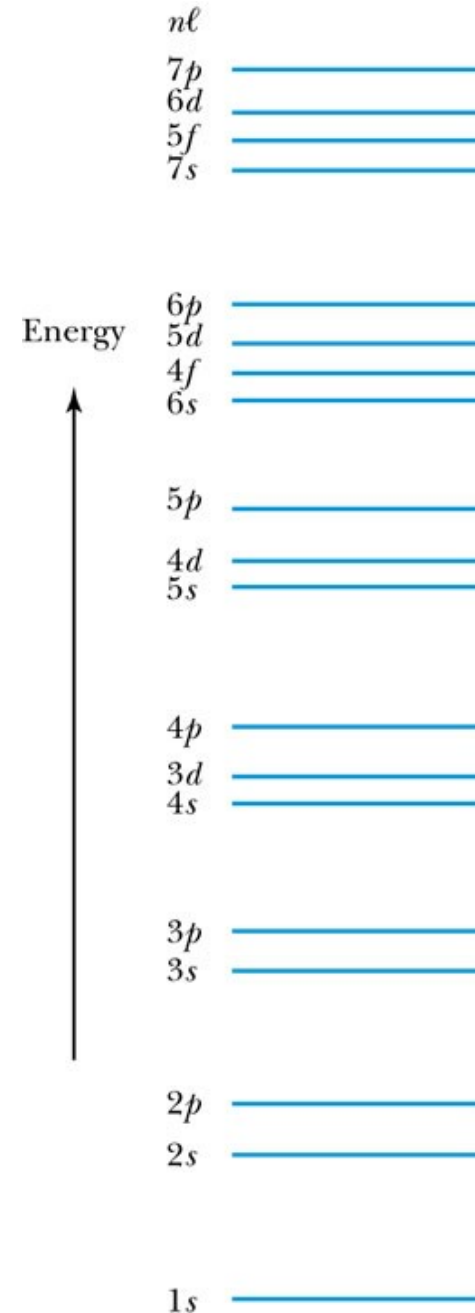
$\ell = 1$, (p state) can have six electrons, and so on.

The lower ℓ values have more elliptical orbits than the higher ℓ values.

→ Electrons with higher ℓ values are more shielded from the nuclear charge.

→ Electrons lie higher in energy than those with lower ℓ values.

→ 4s fills before 3d.



The Periodic Table

Periodic Table of Elements

Closed shells	Alkalies	Alkaline earths	Transition elements										Rare Halogens gases						
Groups:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
	1 H $1s$																	2 He $1s^2$	
	3 Li $1s^2 2s^1$	4 Be $2s^2$											5 B $2s^2 2p^1$	6 C $2s^2 2p^2$	7 N $2s^2 2p^3$	8 O $2s^2 2p^4$	9 F $2s^2 2p^5$	10 Ne $2s^2 2p^6$	
	11 Na $2s^2 2p^6 3s^1$	12 Mg $3s^2$											13 Al $3s^2 3p^1$	14 Si $3s^2 3p^2$	15 P $3s^2 3p^3$	16 S $3s^2 3p^4$	17 Cl $3s^2 3p^5$	18 Ar $3s^2 3p^6$	
	19 K $3s^2 3p^6 4s^1$	20 Ca $4s^2$	21 Sc $3d^1 4s^2$	22 Ti $3d^2 4s^2$	23 V $3d^3 4s^2$	24 Cr $3d^5 4s^1$	25 Mn $3d^5 4s^2$	26 Fe $3d^6 4s^2$	27 Co $3d^7 4s^2$	28 Ni $3d^8 4s^2$	29 Cu $3d^{10} 4s^1$	30 Zn $3d^{10} 4s^2$	31 Ga $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^1$	32 Ge $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^2$	33 As $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^3$	34 Se $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^4$	35 Br $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^5$	36 Kr $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^6$	
	37 Rb $3d^{10} 4s^2 4p^6 5s^1$	38 Sr $5s^2$	39 Y $4d^1 5s^2$	40 Zr $4d^2 5s^2$	41 Nb $4d^4 5s^1$	42 Mo $4d^5 5s^1$	43 Tc $4d^5 5s^2$	44 Ru $4d^7 5s^1$	45 Rh $4d^8 5s^1$	46 Pd $4d^{10}$	47 Ag $4d^{10} 5s^1$	48 Cd $4d^{10} 5s^2$	49 In $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^1$	50 Sn $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^2$	51 Sb $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^3$	52 Te $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^4$	53 I $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^5$	54 Xe $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^6$	
	55 Cs $4d^{10} 5s^2 5p^6 6s^1$	56 Ba $6s^2$	57 La $5d^1 6s^2$	72 Hf $4f^{14} 5d^2 6s^2$	73 Ta $4f^{14} 5d^3 6s^2$	74 W $4f^{14} 5d^4 6s^2$	75 Re $4f^{14} 5d^5 6s^2$	76 Os $4f^{14} 5d^6 6s^2$	77 Ir $4f^{14} 5d^7 6s^1$	78 Pt $4f^{14} 5d^9 6s^1$	79 Au $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^1$	80 Hg $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2$	81 Tl $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^1$	82 Pb $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^2$	83 Bi $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^3$	84 Po $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^4$	85 At $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^5$	86 Rn $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^6$	
	87 Fr $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^6 7s^1$	88 Ra $7s^2$	89 Ac $6d^1 7s^2$	104 Rf $5f^{14} 6d^2 7s^2$	105 Db $5f^{14} 6d^3 7s^2$	106 Sg $5f^{14} 6d^4 7s^2$	107 Bh $5f^{14} 6d^5 7s^2$	108 Hs $5f^{14} 6d^6 7s^2$	109 Mt $5f^{14} 6d^7 7s^2$	110 Ds $5f^{14} 6d^8 7s^1$	111 Rg $5f^{14} 6d^{10} 7s^1$	112 Cn $5f^{14} 6d^{10} 7s^2$							
			Lanthanides																
			58 Ce $4f^2 6s^2$	59 Pr $4f^3 6s^2$	60 Nd $4f^4 6s^2$	61 Pm $4f^5 6s^2$	62 Sm $4f^6 6s^2$	63 Eu $4f^7 6s^2$	64 Gd $4f^7 6s^2 5d^1$	65 Tb $4f^9 6s^2$	66 Dy $4f^{10} 6s^2$	67 Ho $4f^{11} 6s^2$	68 Er $4f^{12} 6s^2$	69 Tm $4f^{13} 6s^2$	70 Yb $4f^{14} 6s^2$	71 Lu $4f^{14} 5d^1 6s^2$			
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Groups and Periods

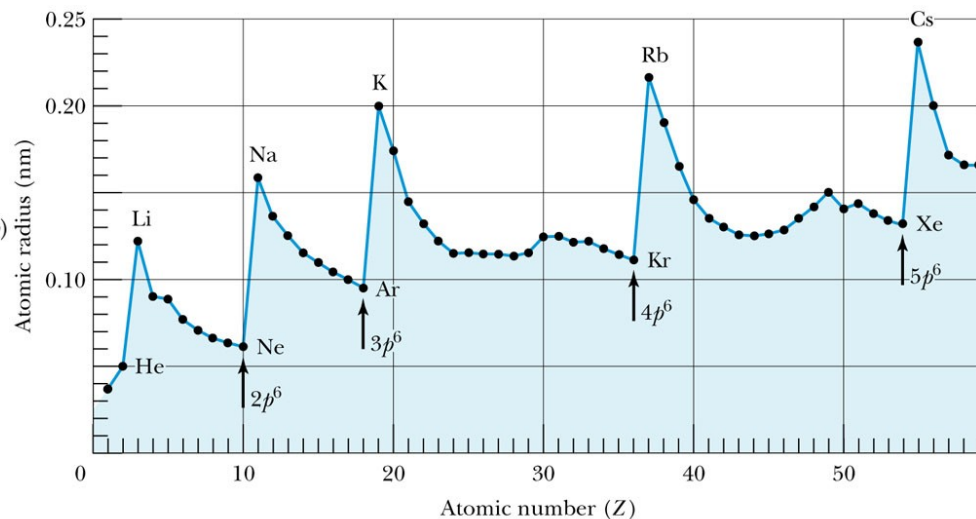
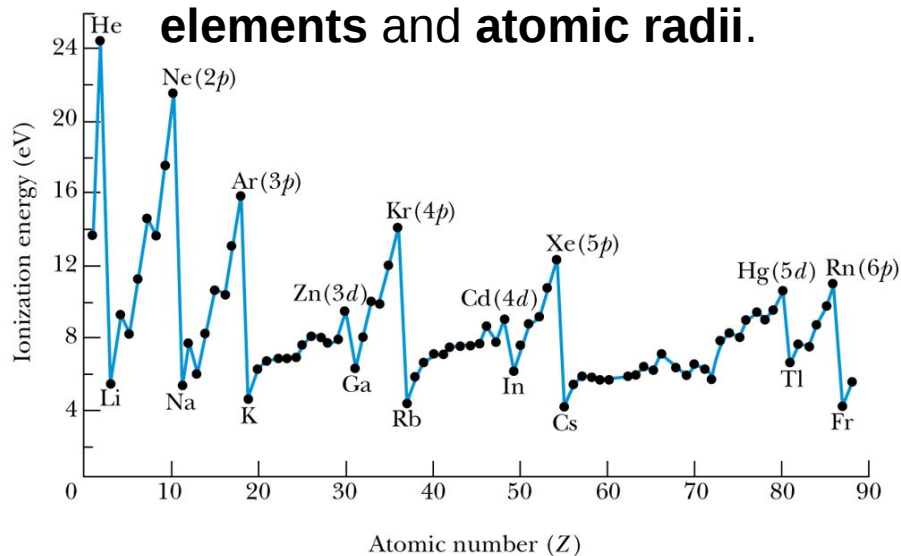
Groups:

- Vertical columns.
- Same number of electrons in an ℓ orbit.
- Can form similar chemical bonds.

Periods:

- Horizontal rows.
- Correspond to filling of the subshells.

- Some properties of elements are compared by the **ionization energies of elements** and **atomic radii**.



The Periodic Table

Inert Gases:

- Last group of the periodic table
- Closed p subshell except helium
- Zero net spin and large ionization energy
- Their atoms interact weakly with each other

Alkalis:

- Single s electron outside an inner core
- Easily form positive ions with a charge $+1e$
- Lowest ionization energies
- Electrical conductivity is relatively good

Alkaline Earths:

- Two s electrons in outer subshell
- Largest atomic radii
- High electrical conductivity

The Periodic Table

Halogens:

- Need one more electron to fill outermost subshell
- Form strong ionic bonds with the alkalis
- More stable configurations occur as the p subshell is filled

Transition Metals:

- Three rows of elements in which the $3d$, $4d$, and $5d$ are being filled
- Properties primarily determined by the s electrons, rather than by the d subshell being filled
- Have d -shell electrons with unpaired spins
- As the d subshell is filled, the magnetic moments, and the tendency for neighboring atoms to align spins are reduced

The Periodic Table

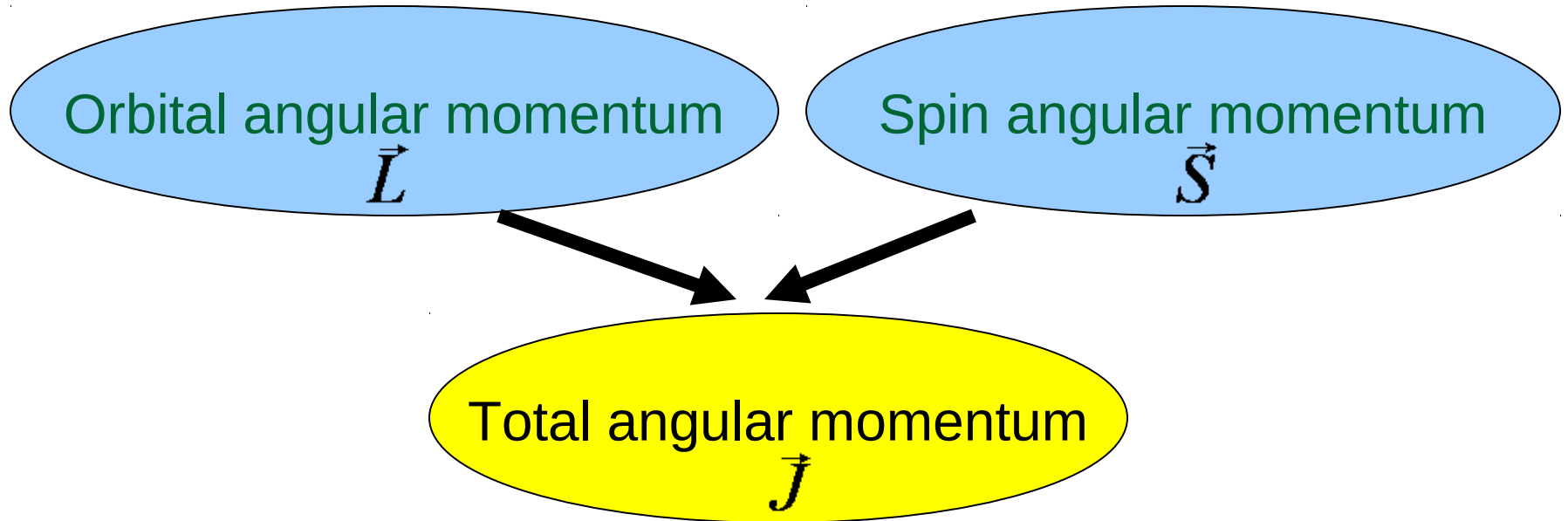
Lanthanides (*rare earths*):

- Have the outside $6s^2$ subshell completed
- As occurs in the $3d$ subshell, the electrons in the $4f$ subshell have unpaired electrons that align themselves
- The large orbital angular momentum contributes to the large ferromagnetic effects

Actinides:

- Inner subshells are being filled while the $7s^2$ subshell is complete
- Difficult to obtain chemical data because they are all radioactive
- Have longer half-lives

8.2: Total Angular Momentum



$$\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$$

L , L_z , S , S_z , J and J_z are quantized.

Total Angular Momentum

- If j and m_j are quantum numbers for the single electron (hydrogen atom).

$$J = \sqrt{j(j+1)}\hbar$$

$$J_z = m_j\hbar$$

- Quantization of the magnitudes.

$$L = \sqrt{\ell(\ell+1)}\hbar$$

$$S = \sqrt{s(s+1)}\hbar$$

$$J = \sqrt{j(j+1)}\hbar$$

- The total angular momentum quantum number for the single electron can only have the values

$$j = \ell \pm s$$

Spin-Orbit Coupling

- An effect of the spins of the electron and the orbital angular momentum interaction is called **spin-orbit coupling**.

- The dipole potential energy $V_{s\ell} = -\vec{\mu}_s \cdot \vec{B}_{\text{internal}}$
- The spin magnetic moment $\propto -\vec{S}$
- $\vec{B}_{\text{internal}} \propto \vec{L}$

- $\vec{B}_{\text{internal}}$ is the magnetic field due to the proton.

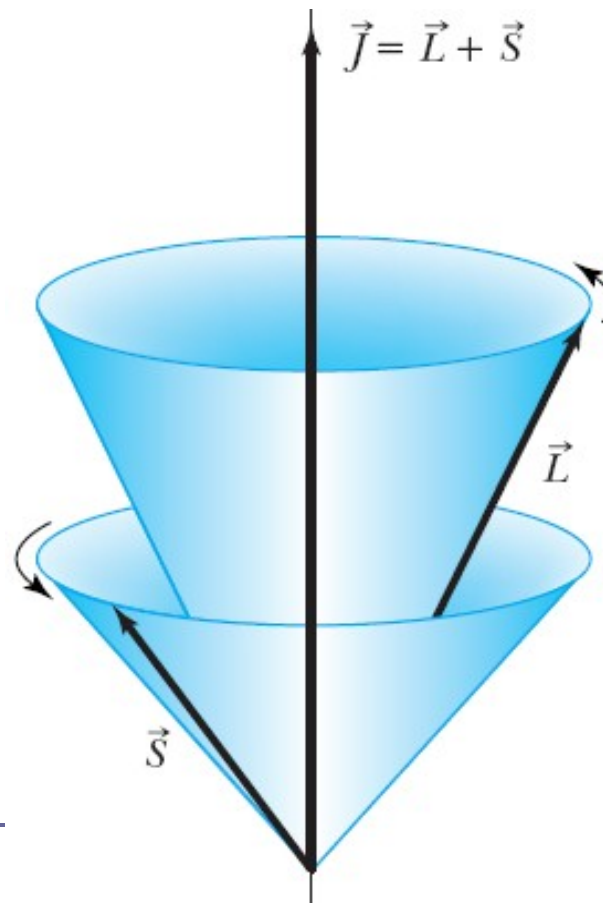
$$V_{s\ell} \sim \vec{S} \times \vec{L} = SL \cos \alpha$$

where $\cos \alpha$ is the angle between \vec{S} and \vec{L} .

Total Angular Momentum

No external magnetic field:

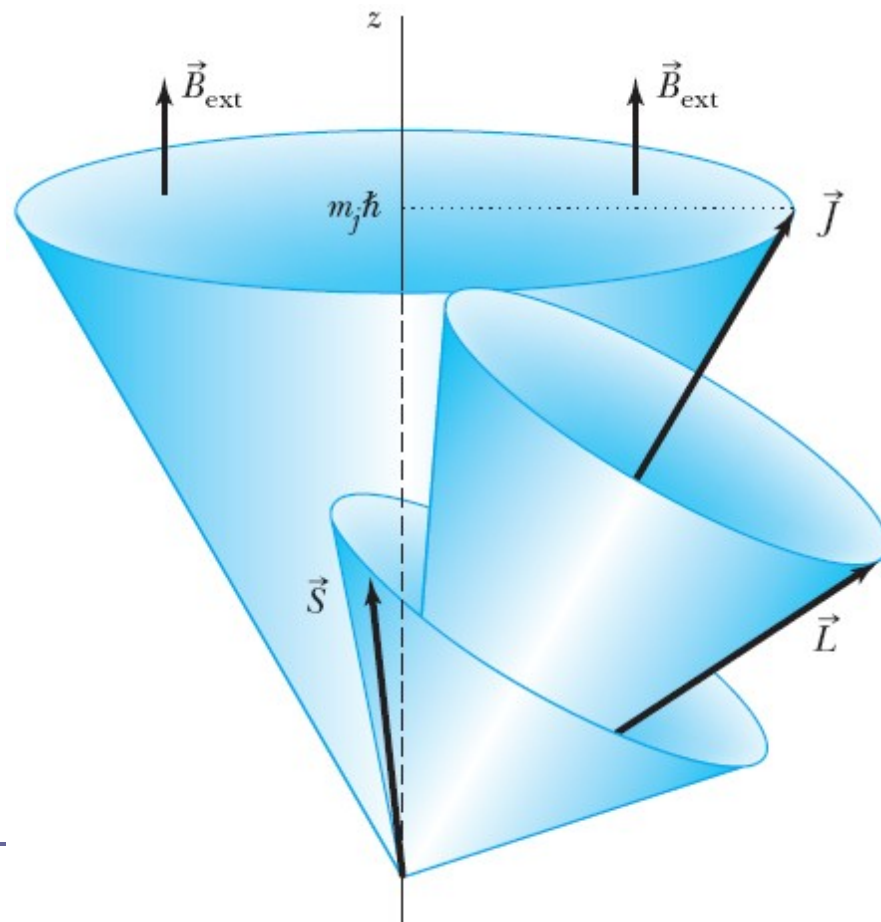
- Only J_z can be known because the uncertainty principle forbids J_x or J_y from being known at the same time as J_z .



Total Angular Momentum

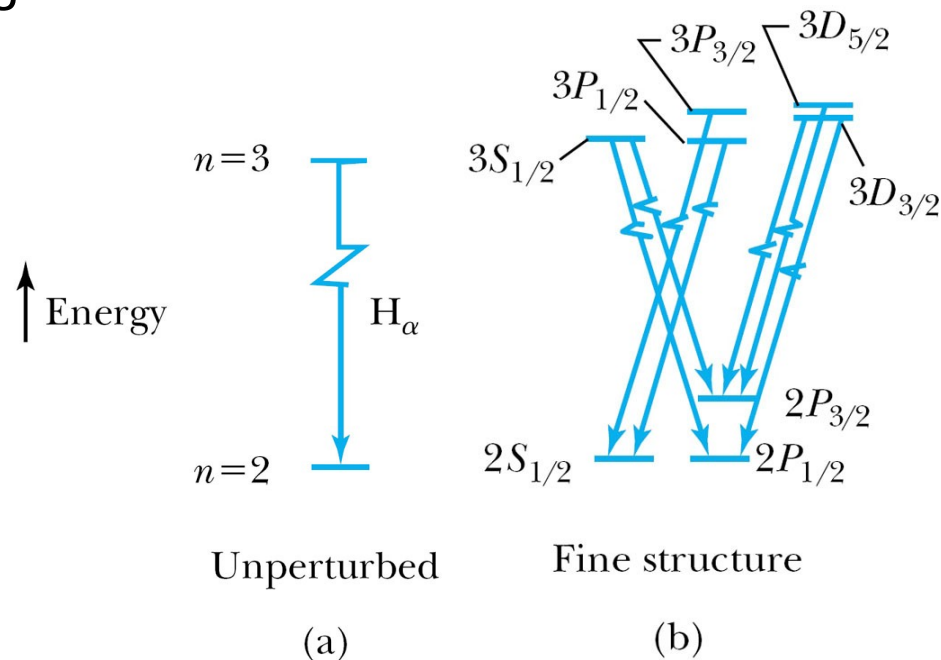
With an internal magnetic field:

- \vec{J} will precess about \vec{B}_{ext} .



Total Angular Momentum

- Now the selection rules for a single-electron atom become
 - $\Delta n = \text{anything}$ $\Delta \ell = \pm 1$
 - $\Delta m_j = 0, \pm 1$ $\Delta j = 0, \pm 1$
- Hydrogen energy-level diagram for $n = 2$ and $n = 3$ with the spin-orbit splitting.



Many-Electron Atoms

Hund's rules:

- 1) The total spin angular momentum S should be maximized to the extent possible without violating the Pauli exclusion principle.
- 2) Insofar as rule 1 is not violated, L should also be maximized.
- 3) For atoms having subshells less than half full, J should be minimized.

- For labeled two-electron atom

$$\vec{J} = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2 + \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2$$

- There are **LS coupling** and **jj coupling** to combine four angular momenta J .

LS Coupling

- This is used for most atoms when the magnetic field is weak.

$$\begin{array}{l} \vec{L} = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2 \\ \vec{S} = \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2 \end{array} \longrightarrow \vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$$

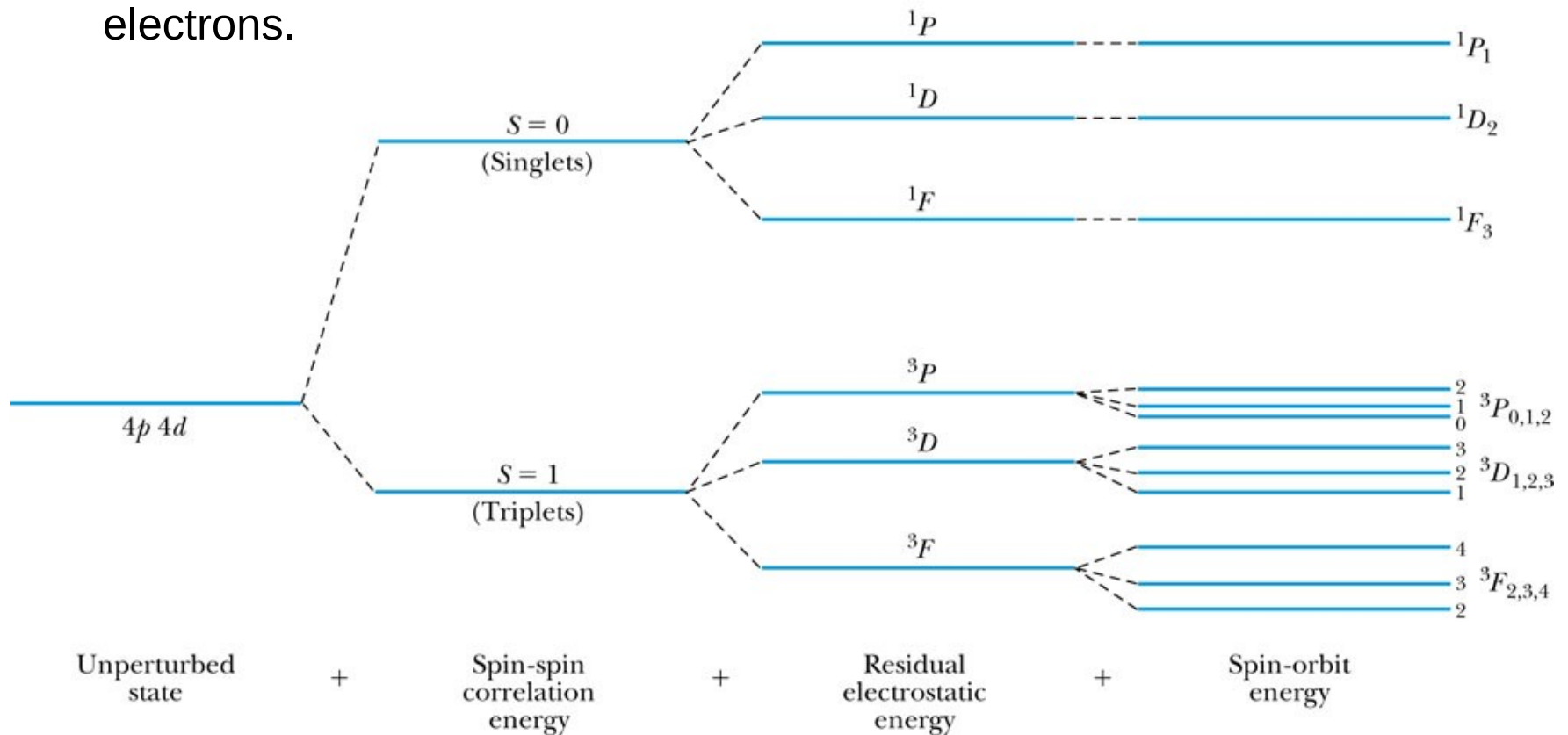
- If two electrons are single subshell, $S = 0$ or 1 depending on whether the spins are antiparallel or parallel.
- For given L , there are $2S + 1$ values of J .
- For $L > S$, J goes from $L - S$ to $L + S$.
- For $L < S$, there are fewer than $2S + 1$ possible J values.
- The value of $2S + 1$ is the **multiplicity** of the state.

LS Coupling

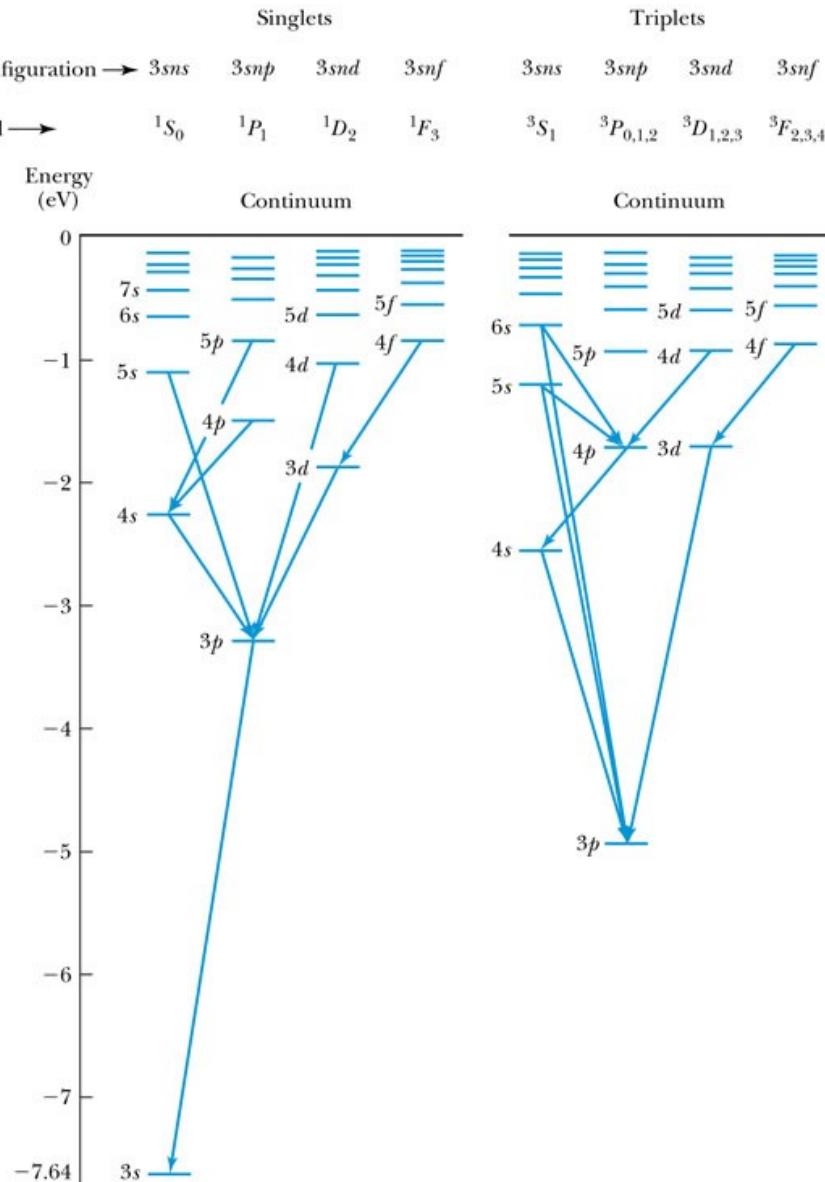
- The notation for a single-electron atom becomes

$$n^{2S+1} L_J$$

- The letters and numbers are called **spectroscopic symbols**.
- There are **singlet** states ($S = 0$) and **triplet** states ($S = 1$) for two electrons.



LS Coupling



- There are separated energy levels according to whether they are $S = 0$ or 1.
- **Allowed** transitions must have $\Delta S = 0$.
- No allowed (**forbidden**) transitions are possible between singlet and triplet states with much lower probability.

LS Coupling

- The allowed transitions for the *LS* coupling scheme are
 - $\Delta L = \pm 1$ $\Delta S = 0$
 - $\Delta J = 0, \pm 1$ ($J = 0 \rightarrow J = 0$ is forbidden)
- A magnesium atom excited to the $3s3p$ triplet state has no lower triplet state to which it can decay.
- It is called **metastable**, because it lives for such a long time on the atomic scale.

jj Coupling

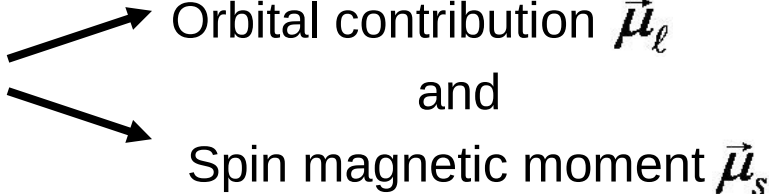
- It is for the heavier elements, where the nuclear charge causes the spin-orbit interactions to be as strong as the force between the individual \vec{S}_i and \vec{L}_i .

$$\vec{J}_1 = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{S}_1$$

$$\vec{J}_2 = \vec{L}_2 + \vec{S}_2$$

$$\vec{J} = \sum_i \vec{J}_i$$

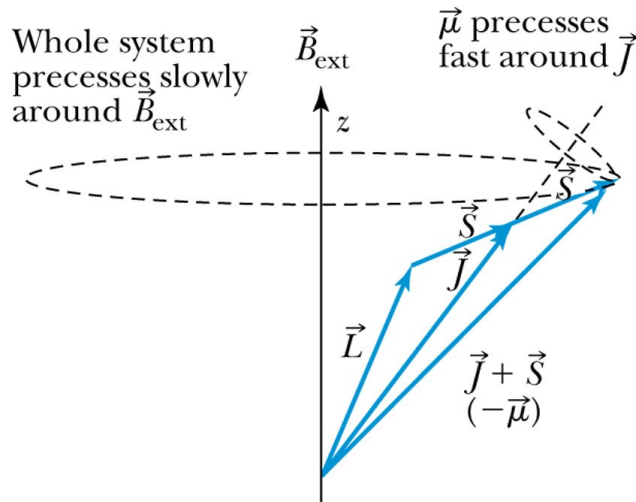
8.3: Anomalous Zeeman Effect

- More than three closely spaced optical lines were observed.
- The interaction that splits the energy levels in an external magnetic field \vec{B}_{ext} is caused by $\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}$ interaction.
- The magnetic moment depends on 
 - Orbital contribution $\vec{\mu}_\ell$
 - and
 - Spin magnetic moment $\vec{\mu}_s$
- The $2J + 1$ degeneracy for a given total angular momentum state J is removed by the effect of the \vec{B}_{ext} .
- If the \vec{B}_{ext} is small compared to internal magnetic field, then \vec{L} and \vec{S} precess about \vec{J} while \vec{J} precesses *slowly* about \vec{B}_{ext} .

Anomalous Zeeman Effect

- The total magnetic moment is

$$\vec{\mu} = \vec{\mu}_\ell + \vec{\mu}_s = -\frac{e}{2m}\vec{L} - \frac{e}{m}\vec{S} = -\frac{e}{2m}(\vec{J} + \vec{S})$$



$$V = \frac{e\hbar B_{\text{ext}}}{2m} g m_J = \mu_B B_{\text{ext}} g m_J$$

μ_B is the Bohr magneton and

$$g = 1 + \frac{J(J+1) + S(S+1) - L(L+1)}{2J(J+1)}$$

it is called the **Landé g factor**.

- The magnetic total angular momentum numbers m_j from $-J$ to J in integral steps.
- \vec{B}_{ext} splits each state J into $2J + 1$ equally spaced levels separated $\Delta E = V$.
- For photon transitions between energy levels $\Delta m_j = \pm 1, 0$ but $m_{J_1} = 0 \rightarrow m_{J_2} = 0$ is forbidden when $\Delta J = 0$.