

1) a)  $V(x) = \frac{1}{2} kx^2 + \frac{1}{6} \gamma x^3 + \frac{b}{24} x^4$  H.O.

$$\hat{H}^{(0)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

$$\hat{H}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{6} \gamma x^3 + \frac{b}{24} x^4$$

$$\Psi^{(0)} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^{1/4} e^{-\alpha x^2/2} \quad \alpha = \left(\frac{\mu k}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/2}$$

$$E^{(0)} = \left(\nu + \frac{1}{2}\right) \hbar \omega, \quad \nu = 0$$

b)  $V(x) = 0 \quad 0 \leq x < a/2$  P-I-B  
 $= b \quad \frac{a}{2} < x < a$

$$\hat{H}^{(0)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$$

$$\hat{H}^{(1)} = \begin{matrix} 0 & 0 \leq x < a/2 \\ b & a/2 \leq x < a \end{matrix}$$

$$\Psi^{(0)} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a}, \quad E^{(0)} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8ma^2}$$

c) He atom (Born-Oppenheimer approx.)

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$$\hat{H} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} (\nabla_1^2 + \nabla_2^2) - \frac{2e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} \right) + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{12}}$$

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$$\hat{H}^{(1)} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{12}}$$

$$\psi^{(0)} = \frac{Z^3}{\pi a_0^3} e^{-\frac{Zr_1}{a_0}} e^{-\frac{Zr_2}{a_0}}$$

$$E^{(0)} = -2 \cdot \frac{Z^2 m e c^4}{8 \epsilon_0^2 \hbar^2} = -8 \times (13.6) = -108.8 \text{ eV}$$

d)

$$\hat{H}^{(0)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$\hat{H}^{(1)} = e F r \cos \theta$$

$$\psi^{(0)} = \frac{1}{\pi^{1/2} a_0^{3/2}} e^{-r/a_0}$$

$$E^{(0)} = -13.6 \text{ eV} = \left( \frac{m e c^4}{8 \epsilon_0^2 \hbar^2} \right)$$

e)

$$\hat{H}^{(0)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2I} \nabla^2$$

$$\hat{H}^{(1)} = \mu F \cos \theta$$

$$\psi^{(0)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}}$$

$$E^{(0)} = 0$$

2)

from 1b) we know  $\psi(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{a}} \sin \frac{\pi x}{a}$  and

$$\hat{H}^{(1)} = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq x < a/2 \\ b & a/2 \leq x < a \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E^{(1)} &= \int_0^a \psi(x) \hat{H}^{(1)} \psi(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{a/2} \frac{2}{a} \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{a} (0) dx + \int_{a/2}^a \frac{2}{a} \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{a} (b) dx \\ &= 0 + \frac{b}{a} \int_{a/2}^a (1 - \cos \frac{2\pi x}{a}) dx \\ &= 0 + \frac{b}{a} \left[ x - \frac{\sin 2\pi x/a}{2\pi/a} \right]_{a/2}^a \\ &= \frac{b}{a} \left[ a - 0 - \frac{a}{2} + 0 \right] = \frac{b}{2} \end{aligned}$$

3) for H.O.  $V(x) = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$  and the G.S. wavefunction

$\psi_0(x) = A e^{-\alpha x^2/2}$ . Any other function would result in a higher energy.  $\therefore C=0$  is necessary to ensure the functional form.

1) 3/3

$$\hat{H} = \frac{-\hbar^2}{2\mu r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{d}{dr} \right) + \frac{1}{2} k r^2$$

trial  $\phi_1 = e^{-\alpha r^2}$  and  $\phi_2 = e^{-\alpha r}$

Variational energy  $\langle E \rangle = \frac{\int \psi^* \hat{H} \psi dz}{\int \psi^* \psi dz}$

Integrate over  $r^2 dr$  from 0 to  $\infty$

Get  $\langle E \rangle$  values and compare.

$e^{-\alpha r^2}$  is better ~~one~~.

5) He atom (Born-Oppenheimer Approx.)

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$$\hat{H}^{(0)} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} (\nabla_1^2 + \nabla_2^2) - \frac{2e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_1} - \frac{2e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_2}$$

$$\hat{H}^{(1)} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{12}}$$

$$\hat{H}^{(0)} = \hat{H}_1^{(0)} + \hat{H}_2^{(0)} \quad (\text{sum of two hydrogenlike Hamiltonians})$$

$\therefore$  unperturbed system is a He atom

$$\Phi^{(0)}(r_1, \theta_1, \phi_1, r_2, \theta_2, \phi_2) = F(r_1, \theta_1, \phi_1) F(r_2, \theta_2, \phi_2)$$

$$E^{(0)} = E_1 + E_2 \quad \text{unperturbed energies.}$$

$$\hat{H}_i^{(0)} F_i = E_i F_i \quad i=1, 2.$$

$$E^{(0)} = -Z^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_1^2} + \frac{1}{n_2^2} \right) \frac{e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0}$$

$$\text{for G.S. } E^{(0)} = -4 \times 2 \times 13.6 = -108.83 \text{ eV}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{1s^2}^{(0)} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left( \frac{Z}{a_0} \right)^{3/2} e^{-Zr_1/a_0} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left( \frac{Z}{a_0} \right)^{3/2} e^{-Zr_2/a_0} \\ &= 1s(1) 1s(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$E^{(1)} = \langle \Psi^{(0)} | \hat{H}^{(1)} | \Psi^{(0)} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{Z^6 e^2}{4\pi^3 \epsilon_0 a_0^6} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2Zr_1/a_0} e^{-2Zr_2/a_0} \cdot \frac{1}{r_{12}} r_1^2 \sin\theta_1 r_2^2 \sin\theta_2 dr_1 dr_2 d\theta_1 d\theta_2 d\phi_1 d\phi_2$$

$$E^{(1)} = \frac{5Z}{8} \left( \frac{e'^2}{a_0} \right) \quad e'^2 = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} e'^2 / a_0 = 13.604 \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{Using } z=2, \quad E^{(1)} = \frac{10}{4} (13.604) = 34.01 \text{ eV}$$

$$E^{(0)} + E^{(1)} = -108.83 + 34.01 = -\del{78} 74.82 \text{ eV}$$

Experiment      -79.01 eV

Perturbation      -74.82 eV

Variation      -77.48 eV

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$$6) \quad V(x) = D(1 - e^{-\beta x})^2$$

$$e^{-\beta x} = 1 - \beta x + \frac{(\beta x)^2}{2!} - \frac{(\beta x)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\therefore V(x) = D \left( \beta x - \frac{\beta^2 x^2}{2} + \dots \right)^2 \quad \text{dropping higher order terms } \because x \text{ is small}$$

$$= D \left( \beta^2 x^2 + \frac{\beta^4 x^4}{4} - \beta^3 x^3 + \dots \right)$$

Anharmonic Oscillator

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} k x^2 + \frac{1}{6} \gamma x^3 + \frac{b}{24} x^4 + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{2} k = D\beta^2$$

$$\frac{1}{6} \gamma = D\beta^3$$

$$\frac{b}{24} = \frac{D\beta^4}{4} + \text{higher terms.}$$

7)

$$\phi = \sum_{n=1}^2 C_n x^n (a-x)^n$$

$$= C_1 x (a-x) + C_2 (a-x)^2 x^2$$

Well behaved?  $\hat{H} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$

1) continuous

2) 1<sup>st</sup> derivative is continuous

3) single valued

4) = 0 at  $x=0, x=a$

5) square integrable.

So,  $\phi = C_1 f_1 + C_2 f_2$  where  $f_1 = x(a-x)$ ;  $f_2 = x^2(a-x)^2$   
Use  $a=1$  for convenience.

Secular determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} H_{11} - E S_{11} & H_{12} - E S_{12} \\ H_{21} - E S_{21} & H_{22} - E S_{22} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Calculate the matrix elements

$$H_{ij} = \int_0^1 f_i \hat{H} f_j dx; S_{ij} = \int_0^1 f_i f_j dx$$

$$H_{11} = \frac{\hbar^2}{6m} \quad H_{12} = H_{21} = \frac{\hbar^2}{30m} \quad H_{22} = \frac{\hbar^2}{105m}$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{1}{30} \quad S_{12} = S_{21} = \frac{1}{140} \quad S_{22} = \frac{1}{630}$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{6} - \frac{E'}{30} & \frac{1}{30} - \frac{E'}{140} \\ \frac{1}{30} - \frac{E'}{140} & \frac{1}{105} - \frac{E'}{630} \end{vmatrix} = 0, \quad E' = E m / \hbar^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E'^2 - 56E' + 252 = 0$$



$$E' = \frac{56 \pm \sqrt{2128}}{2} = 51.065 \text{ and } 4.93487 \quad (9)$$

$$E_{\min} = 4.93487 \frac{\hbar^2}{m} = 0.125002 \frac{\hbar^2}{m}$$

$$\text{Compared with } E_{\text{exact}} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8m} = 0.125000 \frac{\hbar^2}{m}$$

$$(a=1)$$

Excellent agreement.

$$E_{\min} > E_{\text{exact}} \quad (\text{variational theorem})$$

8) a) Hermitian  $\int \Psi^* \hat{A} \Psi d\tau = \int \Psi \hat{A}^* \Psi^* d\tau$

LHS =  $\int \Psi^* (\hat{S}_x + i\hat{S}_y) \Psi d\tau = \int \Psi^* \hat{S}_x \Psi d\tau + i \int \Psi^* \hat{S}_y \Psi d\tau$

RHS =  $\int \Psi (\hat{S}_x + i\hat{S}_y)^* \Psi^* d\tau = \int \Psi (\hat{S}_x - i\hat{S}_y) \Psi^* d\tau$   
 $= \int \Psi \hat{S}_x \Psi^* d\tau - i \int \Psi \hat{S}_y \Psi^* d\tau$

LHS  $\neq$  RHS  $\therefore$  non-Hermitian.

Likewise for  $\hat{S}_-$

b)  $[\hat{S}_z, \hat{S}_+] f = [\hat{S}_z \hat{S}_+ - \hat{S}_+ \hat{S}_z] f$   
 $= \hat{S}_z (\hat{S}_x + i\hat{S}_y) f - (\hat{S}_x + i\hat{S}_y) \hat{S}_z f$   
 $= \hat{S}_z \hat{S}_x f + i \hat{S}_z \hat{S}_y f - \hat{S}_x \hat{S}_z f - i \hat{S}_y \hat{S}_z f$   
 $= [\hat{S}_z, \hat{S}_x] f + i [\hat{S}_z, \hat{S}_y] f$   
 $= (i\hbar \hat{S}_y + \hbar \hat{S}_x) f = \hbar (\hat{S}_x + i\hat{S}_y) = \hbar \hat{S}_+$

Similarly prove for  $\hat{S}_-$

c)  $\hat{S}_+ \hat{S}_- = (\hat{S}_x + i\hat{S}_y)(\hat{S}_x - i\hat{S}_y) = \hat{S}_x^2 - i\hat{S}_x \hat{S}_y + i\hat{S}_y \hat{S}_x + \hat{S}_y^2$   
 $= \hat{S}_x^2 + \hat{S}_y^2 - i(i\hbar \hat{S}_z) = \hat{S}^2 - \hat{S}_z^2 + \hbar \hat{S}_z$

Similarly for  $\hat{S}_- \hat{S}_+$

8) d)  $\hat{S}_+$  raises the spin  
 $\hat{S}_-$  lowers the spin

$\alpha \equiv +1/2$      $\beta \equiv -1/2$     - only two values for

$$\hat{S}_+ |\beta\rangle = \hbar |\alpha\rangle \quad \text{from } -1/2 \text{ to } +1/2$$

$$\hat{S}_- |\alpha\rangle = \hbar |\beta\rangle \quad \text{from } +1/2 \text{ to } -1/2$$

other operations yield 0.

9) 
$$\hat{S}_{z, \text{total}} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \hat{S}_{z,j} = \hat{S}_{z,1} + \hat{S}_{z,2} + \hat{S}_{z,3}$$

operate on  $\Psi$ ; 
$$\hat{S}_{z, \text{total}} \Psi = \hat{S}_{z,1} \Psi + \hat{S}_{z,2} \Psi + \hat{S}_{z,3} \Psi$$

$$\hat{S}_{z,1} \Psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3!}} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\hbar}{2} 1s\alpha(1) & -\frac{\hbar}{2} 1s\beta(1) & 2s\alpha(1) \\ 1s\alpha(2) & 1s\beta(2) & 2s\alpha(2) \\ 1s\alpha(3) & 1s\beta(3) & 2s\alpha(3) \end{vmatrix}$$

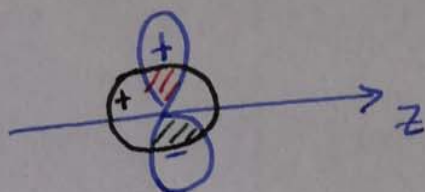
$$= \frac{\hbar}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{vmatrix} 1s\alpha(1) & -1s\beta(1) & 2s\alpha(1) \\ 1s\alpha(2) & 1s\beta(2) & 2s\alpha(2) \\ 1s\alpha(3) & 1s\beta(3) & 2s\alpha(3) \end{vmatrix}$$

Likewise get for  $\hat{S}_{z,2} \Psi$  and  $\hat{S}_{z,3} \Psi$  and sum up to

get 
$$\frac{\hbar}{2} \cdot \frac{\Psi}{\sqrt{6}} \Psi \quad \text{which is } \hat{S}_{z, \text{total}} \Psi$$

$\therefore \Psi$  is an eigenfunction of  $\hat{S}_{z, \text{total}}$

10)



the +ve and negative overlaps cancel.

Net overlap = 0.