

Quiz #9

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PHYSICS 851, FALL 2000



1. Find the Clebsch-Gordan coefficient

$$\langle \ell = 2, s = 1/2, J = 1/2, M = 1/2 | \ell = 2, s = 1/2, m_\ell = 1, m_s = -1/2 \rangle$$

2. A proton and neutron with magnetic moments μ_p and μ_n sit in s-wave states of a nuclear well. They exhibit a spin-spin attraction,

$$V_{ss} = \alpha \mathbf{S}_p \cdot \mathbf{S}_n$$

They are also placed in a constant magnetic field, B .

- (a) Find the four eigen-energies when $B = 0$.
- (b) Find the four eigen-energies when $\alpha = 0$.
- (c) When $\alpha \neq 0$, and $B \neq 0$ and points along the z axis, which of the following operators commute with the Hamiltonian. Yes-or-no answers are fine and no credit is given for wrong answers with good reasoning. (Note: $\vec{J} \equiv \vec{S}_p + \vec{S}_n$)
 - i. $|\vec{J}|^2 = J_x^2 + J_y^2 + J_z^2$.
 - ii. J_z
 - iii. $\vec{S}_p \cdot \hat{z}$
 - iv. $|\vec{S}_p|^2$
- (d) Find the four eigen-energies for arbitrary α and B .