

Up until now, we have been ignoring spin. Let's include it.

$$\psi_{\text{TOTAL}} = \underbrace{\psi(x_1, x_2)}_{\text{spatial}} \chi \underbrace{\chi}_{\text{spin}}$$

Refer to section 4.4.3 Addition of Spin Angular Momentum

Two spin $\frac{1}{2}$ particles, let's assume electrons for now:

$$s=1 \quad (\text{triplet}) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \uparrow\uparrow \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\uparrow\downarrow + \downarrow\uparrow) \\ \downarrow\downarrow \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \left| s s_z \right\rangle \\ \left| 111 \right\rangle \\ \left| 110 \right\rangle \\ \left| 11-1 \right\rangle \end{array}$$

$$s=0 \quad (\text{singlet}) \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow) \quad \left| 00 \right\rangle$$

Pauli Exclusion Principle (1925) weaker condition

In a multi-electron atom there can never be more than one electron in the same quantum state

Stronger condition \rightarrow A system containing several electrons must be described by an antisymmetric total eigenfunction.
What happens to ψ_A when $x_1 \approx x_2$? $\psi_A \rightarrow 0$ (see picture)

In other words $\rightarrow \psi_{\text{TOTAL}} = \underbrace{\psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2)}_{\text{spatial}} \chi \underbrace{\chi}_{\text{spin}}$ must be antisymmetric.

Fermions and Bosons

Table 9-1 The Symmetry Character of Various Particles

Particle	Symmetry	Generic Name	Spin (s)
Electron	Antisymmetric	Fermion	1/2
Positron	Antisymmetric	Fermion	1/2
Proton	Antisymmetric	Fermion	1/2
Neutron	Antisymmetric	Fermion	1/2
Muon	Antisymmetric	Fermion	1/2
α particle	Symmetric	Boson	0
He atom (ground state)	Symmetric	Boson	0
π meson	Symmetric	Boson	0
Photon	Symmetric	Boson	1
Deuteron	Symmetric	Boson	1

what about 3 electrons? How do you construct an antisymmetric w.f.?

Example 9-2. Determine the form of the normalized antisymmetric total eigenfunction for a system of three particles, in which the interactions between the particles can be ignored.
 ▶ This is easy to do if it is noted that the two-particle antisymmetric total eigenfunction

$$\psi_A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\psi_\alpha(1)\psi_\beta(2) - \psi_\beta(1)\psi_\alpha(2)]$$

can also be written as a so-called *Slater determinant*

$$\psi_A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2!}} \begin{vmatrix} \psi_\alpha(1) & \psi_\alpha(2) \\ \psi_\beta(1) & \psi_\beta(2) \end{vmatrix}$$

where $2! = 2 \times 1 = 2$. The identity of these two expressions can be verified by expanding the determinant. In determinantal form, the extension to three particles is obvious

$$\psi_A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3!}} \begin{vmatrix} \psi_\alpha(1) & \psi_\alpha(2) & \psi_\alpha(3) \\ \psi_\beta(1) & \psi_\beta(2) & \psi_\beta(3) \\ \psi_\gamma(1) & \psi_\gamma(2) & \psi_\gamma(3) \end{vmatrix}$$

where $3! = 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 6$. Expansion of this determinant yields

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3!}} & [\psi_\alpha(1)\psi_\beta(2)\psi_\gamma(3) + \psi_\beta(1)\psi_\gamma(2)\psi_\alpha(3) \\ & + \psi_\gamma(1)\psi_\alpha(2)\psi_\beta(3) - \psi_\gamma(1)\psi_\beta(2)\psi_\alpha(3) \\ & - \psi_\beta(1)\psi_\alpha(2)\psi_\gamma(3) - \psi_\alpha(1)\psi_\gamma(2)\psi_\beta(3)] \end{aligned}$$

① Electrons in the triplet state symmetric

must have ^{an} antisymmetric spatial wave function

$$\psi_{\text{TOTAL}} = \psi_{\text{antisymmetric}} \times \psi_{\text{symmetric}}$$

antisymmetric

② Electrons in the singlet spin state antisymmetric

must have a symmetric spatial wave function.

$$\psi_{\text{TOTAL}} = \psi_{\text{symmetric}} \times \psi_{\text{antisymmetric}}$$

antisymmetric

\leftarrow further away \rightarrow

$\hat{\phi}$

$\hat{\phi}$

closer together

$\hat{\phi} \hat{\phi}$

Triplet

Singlet

Atoms

1. A neutral atom of atomic number Z consists of a heavy nucleus.

with electric charge Ze surrounded by Z electrons each with charge $-e$

2. The Hamiltonian for this system

$$H = \sum_{j=1}^Z \left\{ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_j^2 - \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right) \frac{Ze^2}{r_j} \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right) \sum_{j \neq k}^Z \frac{e^2}{|\vec{r}_j - \vec{r}_k|}$$

$H\psi = E\psi$ T.S. Schrödinger Equation
to get the eigenfunction for Z electrons.

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Helium Atom

$Z = 2$

$$H = \left\{ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_1^2 - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2e^2}{r_1} \right\} + \left\{ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_2^2 - \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{2e^2}{r_2} \right\} + \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|}$$

If we ignored the last term, we would have 2 electrons that interact only with the nucleus and we could write the total wavefunction as:

$$\psi_{\text{TOTAL}}(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = \psi_{n\ell m}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{n'\ell' m'}(\vec{r}_2)$$

where the total energy of the 2 electrons is:

$$E_n + E_{n'} = -\frac{13.6 \text{ eV } Z^2}{n^2} - \frac{13.6 \text{ eV } Z^2}{n'^2}$$

for $Z=2$ and $n=n'=1$ "the ground state"

$E_n + E_{n'} = -108.8 \text{ eV}$

non-interacting electrons.

The ground state w.f. would be:

$$-2(r_1 + r_2)/a_0$$

$$\psi_0(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_2) = \frac{8}{\pi a^3} e^{-2(r_1 + r_2)/a_0}$$

$\psi_0 \Rightarrow$ is a symmetric wave function. Since both e^- 's are in the same $n \ell m$ state, their combined spin angular momentum must be antisymmetric. So, the ground state of He must have electrons in a singlet state.

$E_0 (\text{measured}) = -70.975 \text{ eV}$

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Homework - Griffiths problem 5.9 Both e⁻s in the n=2 state
 $KE=?$ for the ejected e⁻?
 Assume non-interacting electrons. Part b, find a general equation for $\frac{1}{\lambda} = ?$

Table 7-2 Some Eigenfunctions for the One-Electron Atom

Quantum Numbers

n	l	m_l	Eigenfunctions
1	0	0	$\psi_{100} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} e^{-Zr/a_0}$
2	0	0	$\psi_{200} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \left(2 - \frac{Zr}{a_0}\right) e^{-Zr/2a_0}$
2	1	0	$\psi_{210} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \frac{Zr}{a_0} e^{-Zr/2a_0} \cos \theta$
2	1	± 1	$\psi_{21\pm 1} = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \frac{Zr}{a_0} e^{-Zr/2a_0} \sin \theta e^{\pm i\varphi}$
3	0	0	$\psi_{300} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{3\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \left(27 - 18\frac{Zr}{a_0} + 2\frac{Z^2 r^2}{a_0^2}\right) e^{-Zr/3a_0}$
3	1	0	$\psi_{310} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{81\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \left(6 - \frac{Zr}{a_0}\right) \frac{Zr}{a_0} e^{-Zr/3a_0} \cos \theta$
3	1	± 1	$\psi_{31\pm 1} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \left(6 - \frac{Zr}{a_0}\right) \frac{Zr}{a_0} e^{-Zr/3a_0} \sin \theta e^{\pm i\varphi}$
3	2	0	$\psi_{320} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{6\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \frac{Z^2 r^2}{a_0^2} e^{-Zr/3a_0} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$
3	2	± 1	$\psi_{32\pm 1} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \frac{Z^2 r^2}{a_0^2} e^{-Zr/3a_0} \sin \theta \cos \theta e^{\pm i\varphi}$
3	2	± 2	$\psi_{32\pm 2} = \frac{1}{162\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0}\right)^{3/2} \frac{Z^2 r^2}{a_0^2} e^{-Zr/3a_0} \sin^2 \theta e^{\pm 2i\varphi}$

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DOING

Griffiths Problem 5.11 **

Work this out.

Calculate $\left\langle \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} \right\rangle$ for $\psi_0 = \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_2)$ Hydrogen Helium

1.) Do the $d^3 r_2$ integral first using spherical coordinates

2.) Set \vec{r}_1 along the polar axis where

$$|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2| = \sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 \cos\theta_2}$$

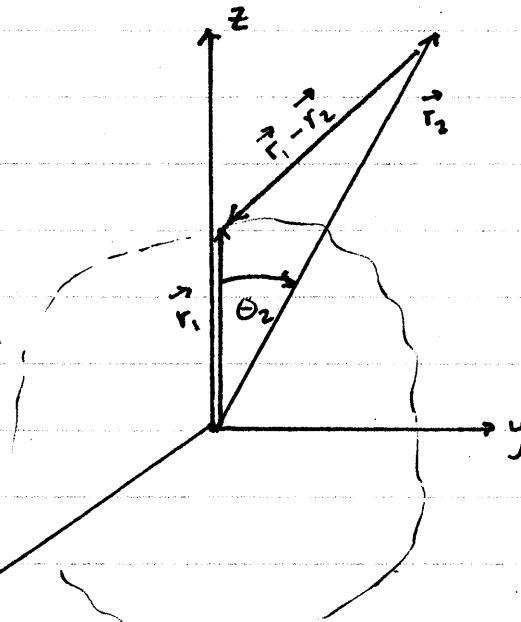
3.) The r_2 integration will have to be broken up into 2 pieces

$$\int_0^\infty dr_2 \rightarrow \int_0^{r_1} dr_2 + \int_{r_1}^\infty dr_2$$

Why do we want to calculate $\left\langle \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} \right\rangle$?

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_1^2 - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_2^2 + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|}$$

$$E_0 = \langle \psi_0 | \hat{H} | \psi_0 \rangle \quad \text{Eq. 3.13 Griffiths}$$



$$E_0 = \underbrace{\langle \psi_0 | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_1^2 | \psi_0 \rangle}_{-54.4 \text{ eV}} + \underbrace{\langle \psi_0 | -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_2^2 | \psi_0 \rangle}_{-54.4 \text{ eV}} + \underbrace{\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \langle \psi_0 | \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} | \psi_0 \rangle}_{+ ??}$$

$$\psi_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{z}{a_0} \right)^3 e^{-\frac{z}{a_0}(r_1 + r_2)} - \frac{z(r_1 + r_2)}{a_0}$$

$$\psi_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{8}{a_0^3} e^{-z=2}$$

solve for this.

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$$\text{So, let's calculate } \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \langle \psi_0 | \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} | \psi_0 \rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} \right\rangle \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \langle \frac{1}{r} \rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} \right\rangle = \cancel{\int d\vec{r}_1 \int d\vec{r}_2} \langle \psi_0 | \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} | \psi_0 \rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|} \right\rangle = \int d\vec{r}_1 \int d\vec{r}_2 \psi_0^* \psi_0 \frac{1}{|\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2|}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle = \int_0^\infty 4\pi r_1^2 dr_1 \int_0^\infty 2\pi r_2^2 dr_2 \left(\frac{8}{\pi a_0^3} \right)^2 e^{-\frac{4}{a_0}(r_1 + r_2)} \int_0^\pi d\theta_2 \frac{\sin \theta_2}{\sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 \cos \theta_2}}$$

Using Mathematica:

$$\int_0^\pi d\theta_2 \frac{\sin \theta_2}{\sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 \cos \theta_2}} = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{r_1} & \text{for } r_2 < r_1 \\ \frac{2}{r_2} & \text{for } r_2 > r_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle = \left(\frac{8}{\pi a_0^3} \right)^2 2\pi 4\pi \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{4r_1}{a_0}} \left\{ \int_0^{r_1} r_2^2 \left(\frac{2}{r_1} \right) e^{-\frac{4r_2}{a_0}} dr_2 + \int_{r_1}^\infty r_2^2 \left(\frac{2}{r_2} \right) e^{-\frac{4r_2}{a_0}} dr_2 \right\} r_1^2 dr_1$$

$$\boxed{\left\langle \frac{1}{r} \right\rangle = \frac{5}{4a_0}}$$

using Mathematica

b.) Estimate the $\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \langle \frac{1}{r} \rangle$ contribution.

$$\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \langle \frac{1}{r} \rangle = \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar c} \right) \hbar c \left(\frac{5}{4a_0} \right) = \alpha \frac{5 \hbar c}{4a_0} = \frac{1}{137} \frac{5 (197 \text{ eV} \cdot \text{nm})}{4 (0.0529 \text{ nm})} = \underline{\underline{33.97 \text{ eV}}}$$

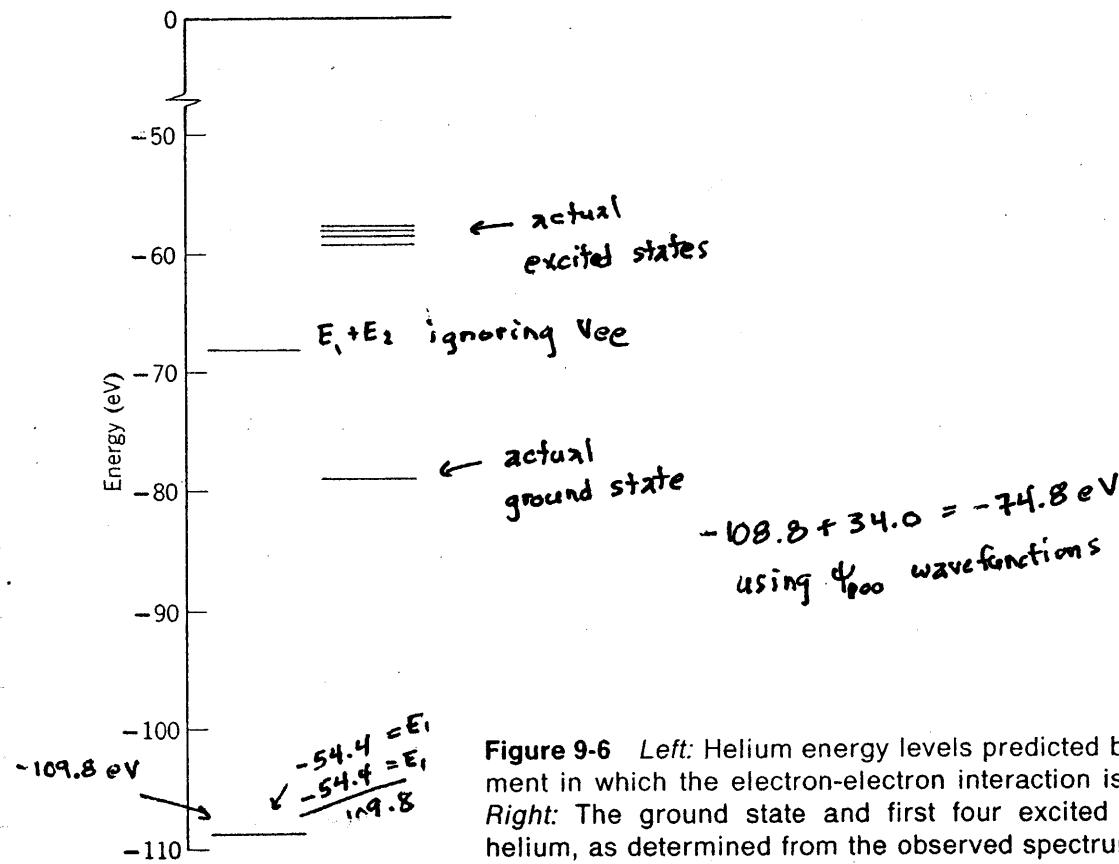
Helium

$$E_0 + V_{ee} = (-109 + 34) \text{ eV} = \underline{-75 \text{ eV}}$$

Certainly closer to the -79 eV measured by experiment.

We're still working with an approximate w.f.

What do the energy levels of He look like?



Helium

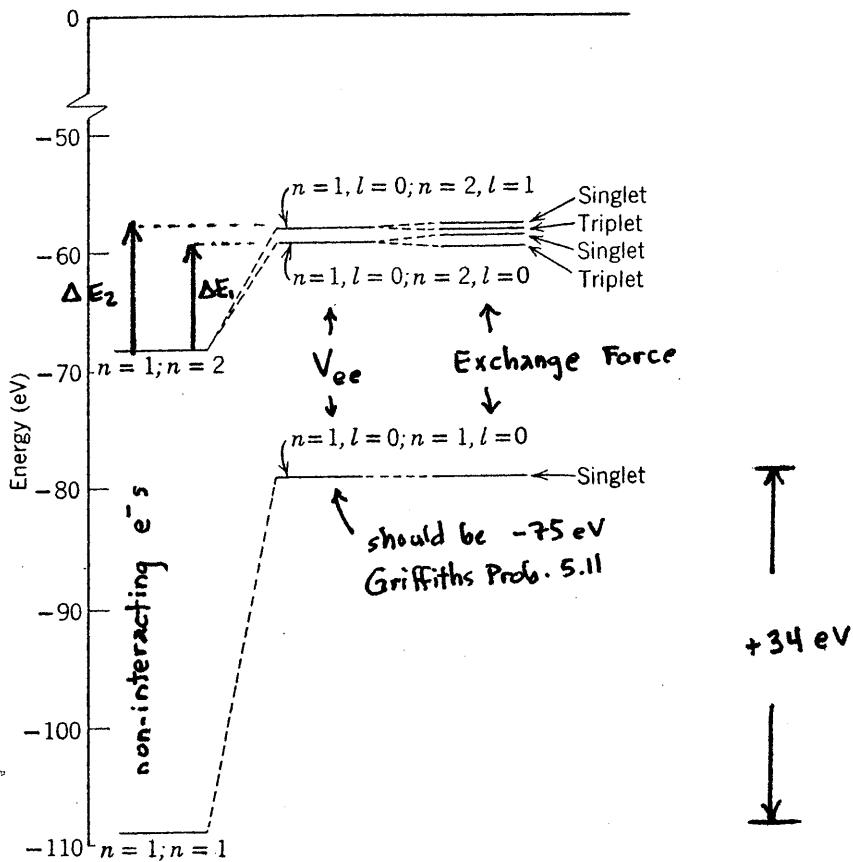


Figure 9-7 The low-lying energy levels of helium. *Left:* The levels that would be found if there were no Coulomb interaction between its electrons. *Center:* The levels that would be found if there were a Coulomb interaction but no exchange force. *Right:* The levels that would be found if there were a Coulomb interaction and an exchange force. These levels are in excellent agreement with the experimentally observed levels shown on the right in Figure 9-6.

Homework: Calculate the shift in energy in the above figure for

$$\textcircled{1} \quad n=1; n=2 \rightarrow n=1, l=0; n=2, l=0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad n=1; n=2 \rightarrow n=1, l=0; n=2, l=1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad \psi_{\text{TOTAL}} &= \psi_{100}(\vec{r}_1) \psi_{200}(\vec{r}_2) \\ \textcircled{2} \quad \psi_{\text{TOTAL}} &= \psi_{100}(\vec{r}) \psi_{210}(\vec{r}_2) \end{aligned}$$

From Mathematica
 See pages 24 & 25

$\Delta E_1 = 11.407 \text{ eV}$
 $\Delta E_2 = 14.392 \text{ eV}$
 2.98 eV

As before, calculate the $\int d\Omega_2$ integral for $r_1 < r_2$ and $r_2 < r_1$

One electron atoms

▲ = location of $\langle r_{nl} \rangle$

$$P_{nl}(r)dr = R_{nl}^*(r)R_{nl}(r) 4\pi r^2 dr$$

plotted below

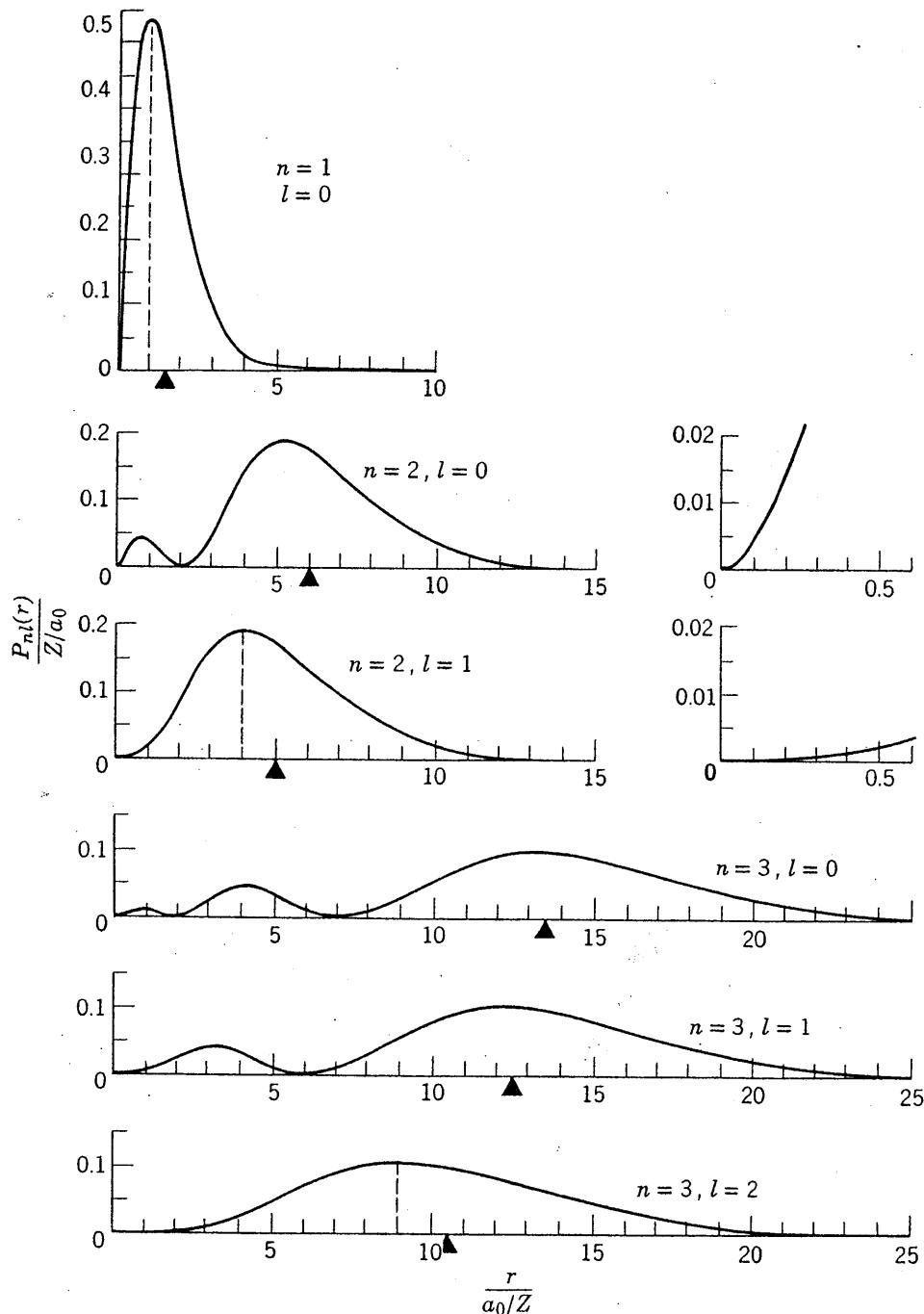


Figure 7-5 The radial probability density for the electron in a one-electron atom for $n = 1, 2, 3$ and the values of l shown. The triangle on each abscissa indicates the value of r_{nl} as given by (7-29). For $n = 2$ the plots are redrawn with abscissa and ordinate scales expanded by a factor of 10 to show the behavior of $P_{nl}(r)$ near the origin. Note that in the three cases for which $l = l_{\max} = n - 1$ the maximum of $P_{nl}(r)$ occurs at $r_{\text{Bohr}} = n^2 a_0/Z$, which is indicated by the location of the dashed line.

$$\langle r_{nl} \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} r P_{nl}(r) dr = \frac{n^2 a_0}{z} \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{l(l+1)}{n^2} \right] \right\}$$

Conclusion: Larger l for a given principle quantum number n , means $\langle r_{nl} \rangle$ is smaller \Rightarrow larger energy shift.

Back to Helium

Finally, the Exchange Force

The singlet states are higher in energy compared to the triplet state.

Why?

Singlet \rightarrow antisymmetric $\psi_{\text{TOTAL}} =$ must be antisymmetric

$$\psi_{\text{TOTAL}} = \psi_{\text{spatial}} \chi_{\text{spin}} = \psi_{\text{spatial}} (\text{symmetric}) \chi_{\text{spin}}^{\text{singlet}} (\text{antisymmetric}) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow)$$

$\psi_{\text{spatial}} (\text{symmetric}) \rightarrow$ means the electrons are "closer" so the

Vee correction is "higher"

So, both singlet states ($l=0$ and $l=1$) have singlet states
that are higher in energy compared to their triplet states.

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Homework Problem cont'd:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad n=1; n=2 \rightarrow n=1, l=0; n=2, l=0$$

$$\psi_s(r_1, r_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \psi_{100}(r_1) \psi_{200}(r_2) + \psi_{100}(r_2) \psi_{200}(r_1) \right\} \times \chi_{\text{spin}}^{\text{singlet}}$$

$$\psi_A(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \psi_{100}(r_1) \psi_{200}(r_2) - \psi_{100}(r_2) \psi_{200}(r_1) \right\} \times \chi_{\text{spin}}^{\text{triplet}}$$

If we ignore the Vee interaction, then $E_{\text{TOTAL}} = E_1 + E_2$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} mc^2 \frac{\alpha^2 Z^2}{(n=1)^2} + \left(-\frac{1}{2} mc^2 \frac{\alpha^2 Z^2}{(n=2)^2} \right) = -54.4 \text{ eV} - 13.6 \text{ eV}$$

$$E_{\text{TOTAL}} = -68 \text{ eV}$$