

PHY 742 Quantum Mechanics II
1-1:50 AM MWF Olin 103

Plan for Lecture 12
Time dependent perturbation theory
Ref: Chapter 15

- 1. Time harmonic perturbations**
- 2. Fermi Golden Rule**
- 3. Oscillator strength**

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Topics for Quantum Mechanics II

Single particle analysis
 Single particle interacting with electromagnetic fields – EC Chap. 9
 Scattering of a particle from a spherical potential – EC Chap. 14
 More time independent perturbation methods – EC Chap. 12, 13
 Single electron states of a multi-well potential → molecules and solids – EC Chap. 2,6
Time dependent perturbation methods – EC Chap. 15
 Path integral formalism (Feynman) – EC Chap. 11.C
 Relativistic effects and the Dirac Equation – EC Chap. 16

Multiple particle analysis
 Quantization of the electromagnetic fields – EC Chap. 17
 Photons and atoms – EC Chap. 18
 Multi particle systems; Bose and Fermi particles – EC Chap. 10
 Multi electron atoms and materials
 Hartree-Fock approximation
 Density functional approximation

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Course schedule for Spring 2020
 (Preliminary schedule – subject to frequent adjustment.)

	Lecture date	Reading	Topic	HW	Due date
1	Mon: 01/13/2020	Chap. 9	Quantum mechanics of electromagnetic forces	#1	01/22/2020
2	Wed: 01/15/2020	Chap. 9	Quantum mechanics of particle in electrostatic field	#2	01/24/2020
3	Fri: 01/17/2020	Chap. 9	Quantum mechanics of particle in magnetostatic field	#3	01/27/2020
	Mon: 01/20/2020	No class	Martin Luther King Holiday		
4	Wed: 01/22/2020	Chap. 14	Scattering theory	#4	01/29/2020
5	Fri: 01/24/2020	Chap. 14	Scattering theory	#5	01/31/2020
6	Mon: 01/27/2020	Chap. 14	Scattering theory	#6	02/03/2020
7	Wed: 01/29/2020	Chap. 12	Variational methods	#7	02/05/2020
8	Fri: 01/31/2020	Chap. 12	Variational and other approximation methods	#8	02/07/2020
9	Mon: 02/03/2020	Chap. 2.6	Single particle states of molecules and solids	#9	02/10/2020
10	Wed: 02/05/2020	Chap. 2.6	H ₂ ⁺ molecular ion; Born Oppenheimer approximation	#10	02/12/2020
11	Fri: 02/07/2020	Chap. 15	Time-dependent perturbations	#11	02/14/2020
12	Mon: 02/10/2020	Chap. 15	Time-dependent perturbations	#12	02/14/2020
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Review: Treatment of time-dependent perturbations

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi\rangle = H(t) |\psi\rangle$$

$$H(t) = H^0 + \epsilon H^1(t)$$

We approach the problem using the complete basis set of H^0 :

$$H^0 |n^0\rangle = E_n^0 |n^0\rangle$$

It is reasonable to assume that

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \sum_n c_n(t) |n^0\rangle \equiv \sum_n k_n(t) e^{-iE_n^0 t/\hbar} |n^0\rangle$$

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Treatment of time-dependent perturbations -- continued

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = \sum_n k_n(t) e^{-iE_n^0 t/\hbar} |n^0\rangle$$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi\rangle = (H^0 + \epsilon H^1(t)) |\psi\rangle$$

$$\sum_n \left(i\hbar \frac{dk_n(t)}{dt} - \epsilon H^1(t) k_n(t) \right) e^{-iE_n^0 t/\hbar} |n^0\rangle = 0$$

Projecting this equation with a particular zero-order state $\langle f^0 |$:

$$i\hbar \frac{dk_f(t)}{dt} = \epsilon \sum_n \langle f^0 | H^1(t) | n^0 \rangle k_n(t) e^{i(E_f^0 - E_n^0)t/\hbar}$$

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Treatment of time-dependent perturbations -- continued

$$i\hbar \frac{dk_f(t)}{dt} = \epsilon \sum_n \langle f^0 | H^1(t) | n^0 \rangle k_n(t) e^{i(E_f^0 - E_n^0)t/\hbar}$$

Perturbation expansion for time-dependent coefficients:

$$k_n(t) = k_n^0 + \epsilon k_n^1(t) + \epsilon^2 k_n^2(t) + \dots$$

Zero order equation: $\frac{dk_n^0}{dt} = 0$

s -order equation for $s > 0$:

$$\frac{dk_m^s}{dt} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \sum_n \langle m^0 | H^1(t) | n^0 \rangle k_n^{s-1}(t) e^{i(E_m^0 - E_n^0)t/\hbar}$$

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Treatment of time-dependent perturbations -- continued

1st-order equation, assuming that $k_n^0 = \delta_{nl}$

$$\frac{dk_m^1}{dt} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle m^0 | H^1(t) | l^0 \rangle e^{i(E_m^0 - E_l^0)t/\hbar}$$

Example:

Suppose that $H^1(t) = \tilde{H}^1 h(t)$

$$\text{where } h(t) \equiv \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t < 0 \text{ and } t > T \\ 2 \sin \omega t & \text{for } 0 < t < T \end{cases}$$

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Treatment of time-dependent perturbations -- continued

For this example

$$\frac{dk_m^1}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{for } t < 0 \text{ or } t > T$$

$$\frac{dk_m^1}{dt} = \frac{2}{i\hbar} \langle m^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | l^0 \rangle \left(e^{i(\omega + \omega_{ml})t} - e^{i(-\omega + \omega_{ml})t} \right)$$

for $0 < t < T$

$$\Rightarrow k_m^1(t) = \frac{2}{i\hbar} \langle m^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | l^0 \rangle \left(\frac{e^{i(\omega + \omega_{ml})T} - 1}{\omega + \omega_{ml}} - \frac{e^{i(-\omega + \omega_{ml})T} - 1}{-\omega + \omega_{ml}} \right)$$

where $\omega_{ml} \equiv (E_m^0 - E_l^0) / \hbar$ for $t > T$

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For $t > T$

$$k_m^1(t) = \frac{2}{i\hbar} \langle m^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | l^0 \rangle \left(\frac{e^{i(\omega + \omega_{ml})T} - 1}{\omega + \omega_{ml}} - \frac{e^{i(-\omega + \omega_{ml})T} - 1}{-\omega + \omega_{ml}} \right)$$

where $\omega_{ml} \equiv (E_m^0 - E_l^0) / \hbar$

$$|k_m^1(t)|^2 \approx \frac{4}{\hbar^2} \left| \langle m^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | l^0 \rangle \right|^2 \times$$

$$\left(\frac{\sin^2((\omega + \omega_{ml})T/2)}{(\omega + \omega_{ml})^2} + \frac{\sin^2((-\omega + \omega_{ml})T/2)}{(-\omega + \omega_{ml})^2} \right)$$

$$\approx \frac{4\pi T}{2\hbar^2} \left| \langle m^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | l^0 \rangle \right|^2 (\delta(\omega + \omega_{ml}) + \delta(-\omega + \omega_{ml}))$$

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Treatment of time-dependent perturbations -- continued

Behavior of $k_m^1(T)$ in the neighborhood of $\omega = |\omega_{mf}|$

Note that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{xT}{2}\right)}{x^2} dx = \frac{\pi T}{2}$

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Estimating the rate of transitions $i \rightarrow f$

$$\mathcal{R}_{i \rightarrow f} = \frac{|k_{i \rightarrow f}^1(t)|^2}{T} \approx \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | i^0 \rangle|^2 \left(\delta(\hbar\omega + E_f^0 - E_i^0) + \delta(-\hbar\omega + E_f^0 - E_i^0) \right)$$

Fermi "Golden" rule

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Example -- Zero order system in the presence of an electromagnetic field

Full Hamiltonian: $H(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2m} (\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t))^2 + V(\mathbf{r}) + qU(\mathbf{r}, t)$

Zero order Hamiltonian: $H^0(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{r})$

First order Hamiltonian: $H^1(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{q}{m} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) \cdot \mathbf{p} + \frac{i\hbar q}{2m} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t)) + qU(\mathbf{r}, t)$

Time dependent electric field: $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\nabla U(\mathbf{r}, t) - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t}$

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Example – Zero order system in the presence of an electromagnetic field -- continued

Time dependent electric field: $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\nabla U(\mathbf{r}, t) - \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t)}{\partial t}$

Suppose $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t < 0 \text{ or } t > T \\ F_0 \hat{z}(2 \sin(\omega t)) & \text{for } 0 < t < T \end{cases}$

Possibility #1 -- scalar representation: $U(\mathbf{r}, t) = -F_0 z(2 \sin(\omega t))$ for $0 < t < T$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = 0$$

Possibility #2 -- vector representation: $U(\mathbf{r}, t) = 0$

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{F_0}{\omega} \hat{z}(2 \cos(\omega t)) \text{ for } 0 < t < T$$

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Example – Zero order system in the presence of an electromagnetic field -- continued

First order Hamiltonian: $H^1(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{-q}{m} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) \cdot \mathbf{p} + \frac{i\hbar q}{2m} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t)) + qU(\mathbf{r}, t)$

Convenient notation: $H^1(\mathbf{r}, t) \equiv \tilde{H}^1(\mathbf{r})(2 \sin(\omega t))$ for $0 < t < T$ (note slight cheat)

Possibility #1 -- scalar representation: $\tilde{H}^1(\mathbf{r}) = -qF_0 z$

Possibility #2 -- vector representation: $\tilde{H}^1(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{qF_0}{m\omega} p_z$

Note that for this example, $(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t)) = 0$

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Example – Zero order system in the presence of an electromagnetic field -- continued

Suppose the charged particle is an electron: $q = -e$

$\tilde{H}^1 = eF_0 z$ representing field as scalar potential

$\tilde{H}^1 = -\frac{eF_0 p_z}{m\omega}$ representing field as vector potential

Note that these two are equivalent in the exact basis of H^0 :

$$\frac{p_z}{m} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \left[z, \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} \right] = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [z, H^0]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f^0 | \frac{p_z}{m} | I^0 \rangle &= \frac{1}{i\hbar} \langle f^0 | [z, H^0] | I^0 \rangle = -\frac{E_f^0 - E_I^0}{i\hbar} \langle f^0 | z | I^0 \rangle \\ &= i\omega_{fI} \langle f^0 | z | I^0 \rangle \quad \text{for } \hbar\omega_{fI} \equiv E_f^0 - E_I^0 \end{aligned}$$

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Example – Zero order system in the presence of an electromagnetic field -- continued

$\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle = eF \langle f^0 | z | I^0 \rangle$ representing field as scalar potential

$\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle = -\frac{eF}{\omega m} \langle f^0 | p_z | I^0 \rangle$ representing field as vector potential
 $= -\frac{eF}{\omega} i\omega_f \langle f^0 | z | I^0 \rangle$

\Rightarrow When $\omega = \omega_f$, $|\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle|^2 = |\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle|^2$

Fermi golden rule: $\mathcal{R}_{i \rightarrow f} = \frac{|\dot{k}_{i \rightarrow f}^1(t)|^2}{T} \approx \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle|^2 \delta(\hbar(\omega - \omega_f))$

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Example -- H-like atom in presence of electric field

$\tilde{H}^1 = -eFz$ representing field as scalar potential
 $= -eFr \cos \theta$

Some H^0 eigenstates for H-like ion:

$|I^0 = 1s\rangle = \left(\frac{Z^3}{a_0^3 \pi}\right)^{1/2} e^{-Zr/a_0}$ $E_I^0 = -\frac{Z^2 e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0}$

$|f^0 = 2p_0\rangle = \left(\frac{Z^3}{32a_0^3 \pi}\right)^{1/2} \frac{Zr}{a_0} e^{-Zr/2a_0} \cos \theta$ $E_f^0 = -\frac{Z^2 e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} \frac{1}{4}$

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$\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle = \langle f^0 | -eFr \cos \theta | I^0 \rangle$

H^0 eigenstates for H-like ion: $|I^0 = 1s\rangle = \left(\frac{Z^3}{a_0^3 \pi}\right)^{1/2} e^{-Zr/a_0}$

$|f^0 = 2p_0\rangle = \left(\frac{Z^3}{32a_0^3 \pi}\right)^{1/2} \frac{Zr}{a_0} e^{-Zr/2a_0} \cos \theta$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle &= -eF \frac{Z^3}{a_0^3 \pi} \left(\frac{1}{32}\right)^{1/2} 2\pi \frac{2}{3} \int_0^\infty r^3 dr \frac{Zr}{a_0} e^{-3Zr/2a_0} \\ &= -eF \frac{Z^3}{a_0^3 \pi} \left(\frac{1}{32}\right)^{1/2} 2\pi \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{a_0}{Z}\right)^4 \int_0^\infty x^4 dx e^{-3x} \\ &= -\frac{eFa_0}{\sqrt{2}Z} \frac{256}{243} \end{aligned}$$

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Summary of results for resonant transitions for H-like ion $1s \rightarrow 2p_0$

$$\mathcal{R}_{i \rightarrow f} \approx \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \left| \langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle \right|^2 \delta(-\hbar\omega + E_f^0 - E_i^0)$$

$$\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle = -\frac{eFa_0}{\sqrt{2Z}} \frac{256}{243}$$

$$\hbar\omega = E_f^0 - E_i^0 = \frac{3}{4} \frac{Z^2 e^2}{8\pi\epsilon_0 a_0} = 10.204 Z^2 \text{ eV}$$

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Digression: Notion of oscillator strength for transition between states $I \rightarrow n$:

$$f_{ni} = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E_n^0 - E_i^0) \left| \langle n^0 | z | I^0 \rangle \right|^2$$

$$[z, [z, H^0]] = z^2 H^0 + H^0 z^2 - 2z H^0 z = \frac{i\hbar}{m} [z, p_z] = -\frac{\hbar^2}{m}$$

$$\langle I^0 | [z, [z, H^0]] | I^0 \rangle = 2E_i^0 \langle I^0 | z^2 | I^0 \rangle - 2\langle I^0 | z H^0 z | I^0 \rangle = -\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \langle I^0 | I^0 \rangle$$

$$\text{Inserting resolution of the identity: } 1 = \sum_n |n^0\rangle\langle n^0|$$

$$\sum_n (2E_i^0 \langle I^0 | z | n^0 \rangle \langle n^0 | z | I^0 \rangle - 2\langle I^0 | z | n^0 \rangle E_n^0 \langle n^0 | z | I^0 \rangle) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{m} \langle I^0 | I^0 \rangle$$

$$\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \sum_n (E_n^0 - E_i^0) \langle I^0 | z | n^0 \rangle \langle n^0 | z | I^0 \rangle = \sum_n f_{ni} = \langle I^0 | I^0 \rangle = 1 \quad \text{sum rule for oscillator strength}$$

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Digression – “selection rules” for transitions between spherically symmetric states in due to interaction with an electromagnetic field in the dipole approximation --

$$\langle f^0 | \tilde{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle = \langle f^0 | -eF r \cos\theta | I^0 \rangle$$

Symmetry analysis of the matrix element finds non-trivial matrix elements for $\ell_f - \ell_i = \pm 1$ and $m_f - m_i = 0, \pm 1$.

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Example when the final state is in the continuum spectrum

Exact solutions for continuum states of H-like ions are related to confluent hypergeometric functions

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Absorption of radiation in the case of photo emission

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{d}{dr} - \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} - E \right] R_{El}(r) = 0$$

From: <http://dlmf.nist.gov/33.2>

33.2(i) Coulomb Wave Equation

33.2.1 $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \left(1 - \frac{2\eta}{x} - \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{x^2} \right) y = 0, \quad \ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

This differential equation has a regular singularity at $x = 0$ with indices $\ell + 1$ and $-\ell$ and an irregular singularity at infinity. It is F_2 with $\alpha = 2\eta, \beta = 2, \gamma = 2\ell + 1$. There are two branch points, the one at which $\eta^2/\ell^2 = 0$ (2.8.10). The other one is given by $\rho_{\pm}(\ell, \eta) = \eta \pm \ell(\ell + 1)^{1/2}$.

33.2(ii) Regular Solution $F_2(\eta, \rho)$

The function $F_2(\eta, \rho)$ is nonzero (33.2(iii)) at $\rho = 0$, and is defined by

33.2.3 $F_2(\eta, \rho) = C_2(\eta)^{-2} (C_2^*)^{-1} M_{\ell+1, \ell+1}(\pm 2i\rho)$

or equivalently

33.2.4 $F_2(\eta, \rho) = C_2(\eta) e^{i\pi\eta} M_{\ell+1, \ell+1}(\pm 2i\rho) e^{\pm 2i\pi\eta}$

Figure 33.3.3. $F_2(\eta, \rho)$, $G_2(\eta, \rho)$ with $\ell = 0, \eta = 2$. The turning point is at $\rho_{\pm}(\eta, 0) = 4, \pm 2i$.

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Absorption of radiation in the case of photo emission approximating final state as a plane wave (Born approximation)

$$|f^0\rangle \approx \mathcal{N} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \quad \text{where } k = \sqrt{2mE_f^0 / \hbar^2}$$

For initial state: $|I^0 = 1s\rangle = \left(\frac{Z^3}{a_0^3 \pi} \right)^{1/2} e^{-Zr/a_0}$

$$\mathcal{R}_{I \rightarrow f} \approx \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle f^0 | \hat{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle|^2 \delta(-\hbar\omega + E_f^0 - E_i^0)$$

$$\langle f^0 | \hat{H}^1 | I^0 \rangle = \langle f^0 | -eFr \cos \theta | I^0 \rangle$$

To be continued ...

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