

# Interactive Lecture 7: Topics

- Most probable value  $r$  vs. expectation value  $r$
- Why orbital angular momentum is not enough?
- Spin angular momentum
- Four quantum numbers
- Total angular momentum
- LS coupling

# Most probable vs. expectation value

Expectation Value  $r$   $\langle r \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} r \cdot r^2 R_{n,l}(r)^2 dr$

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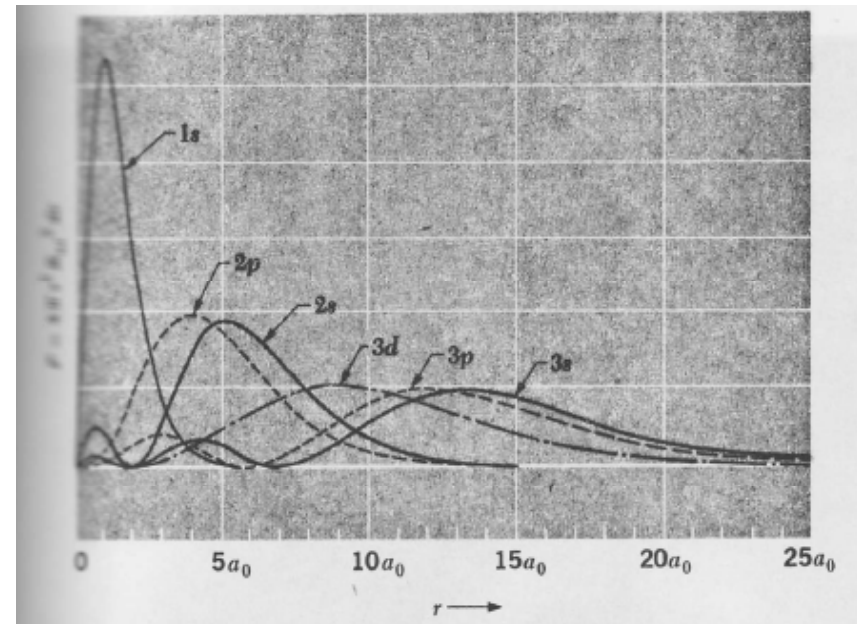
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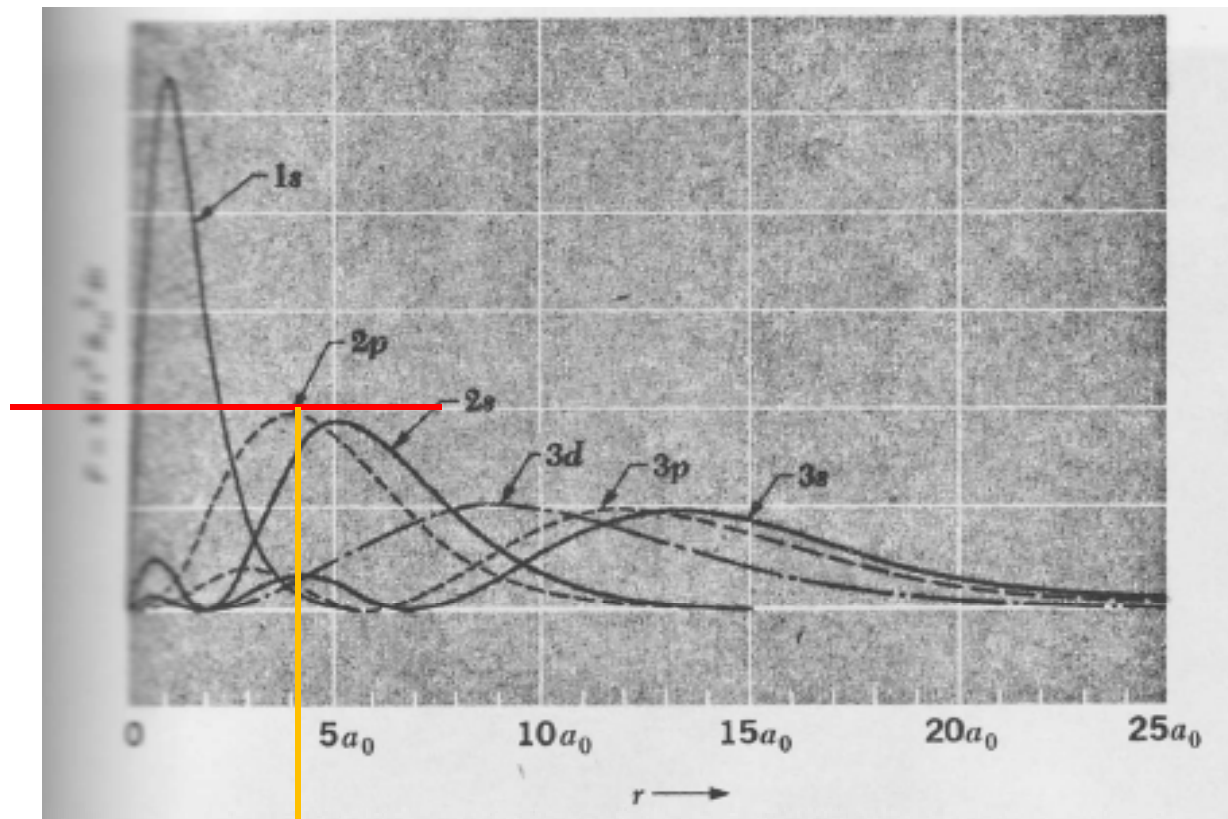
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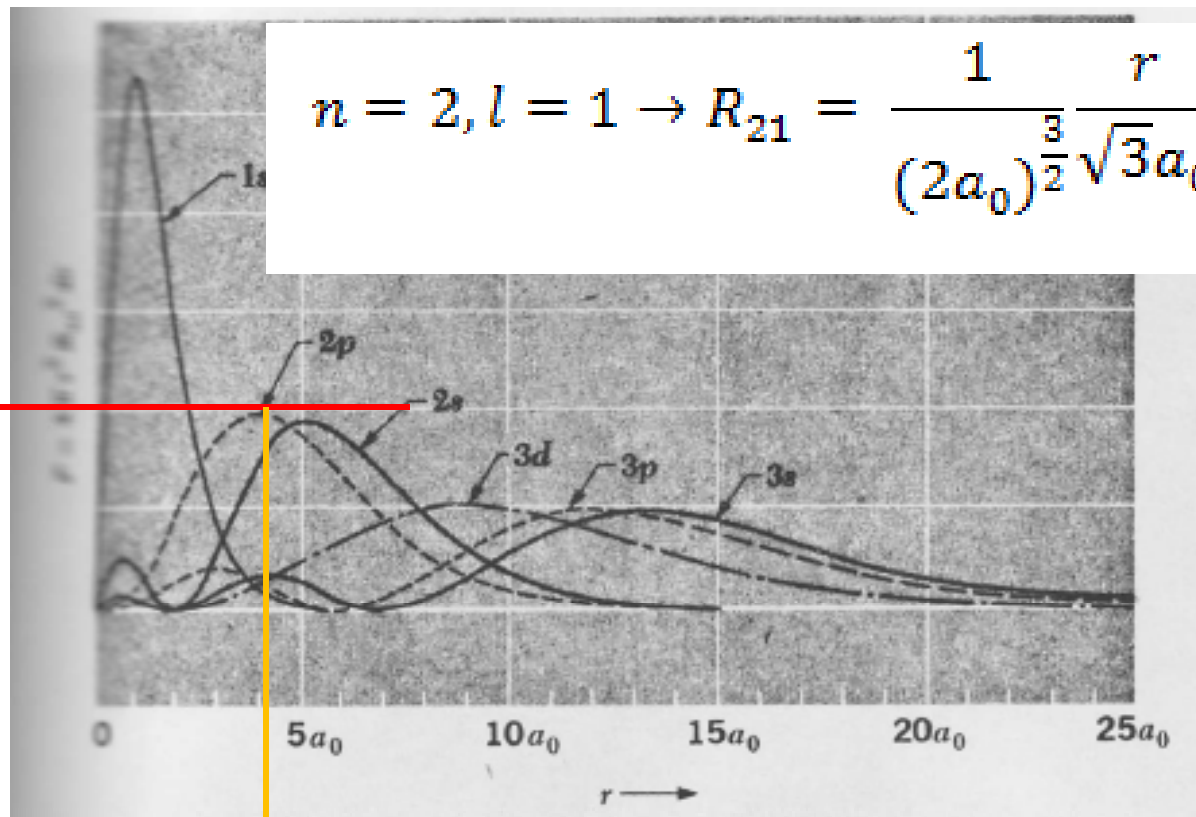
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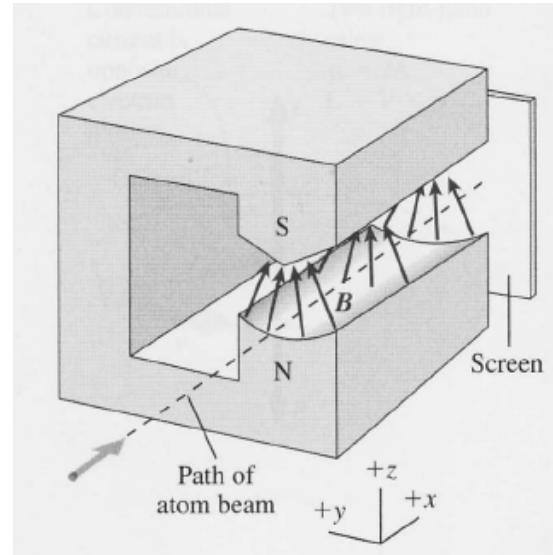
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$$\int_0^{\infty} r \cdot r^2 \cdot \frac{1}{(2a_0)^3} \frac{r^2}{3a_0^2} e^{-\frac{r}{a_0}} dr$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^m e^{-bx} dx = \frac{m!}{b^{m+1}}$$

$$\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^3 a_0^5} \int_0^{\infty} r^5 e^{-\frac{r}{a_0}} dr = \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2^3 a_0^5} 5! a_0^6 = 5 a_0$$

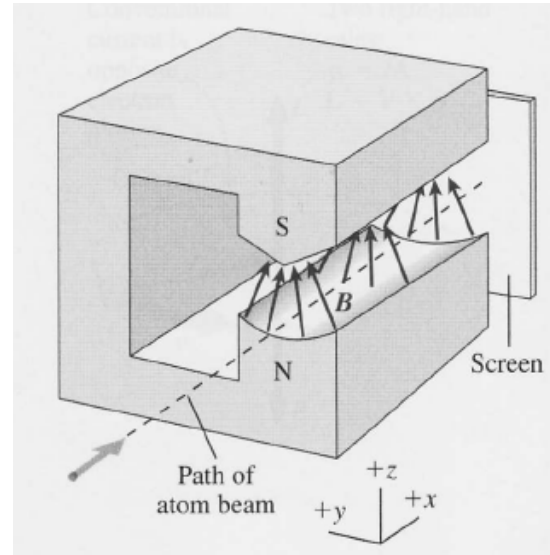
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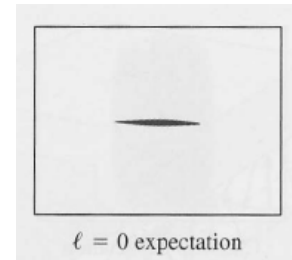
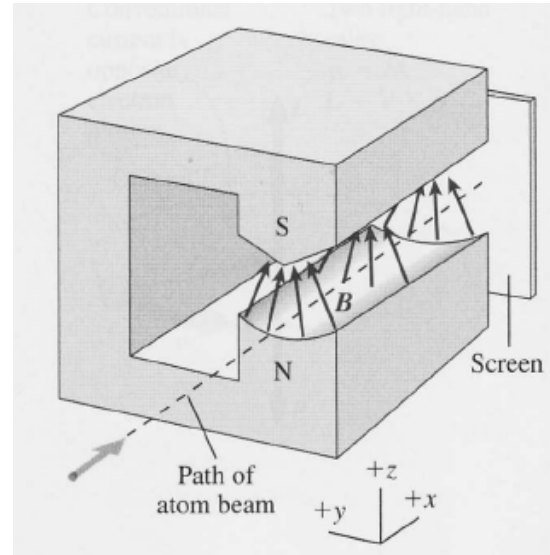
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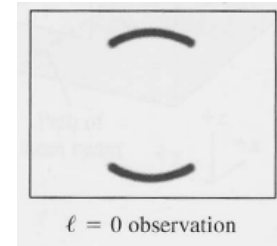
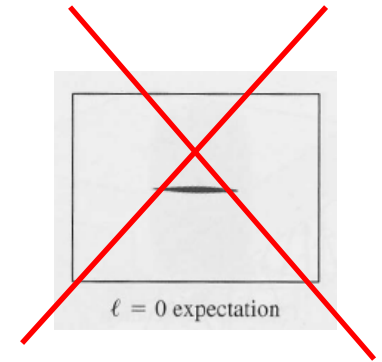
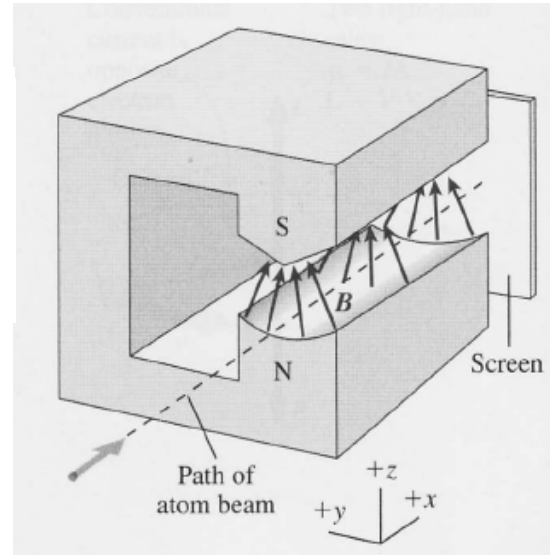
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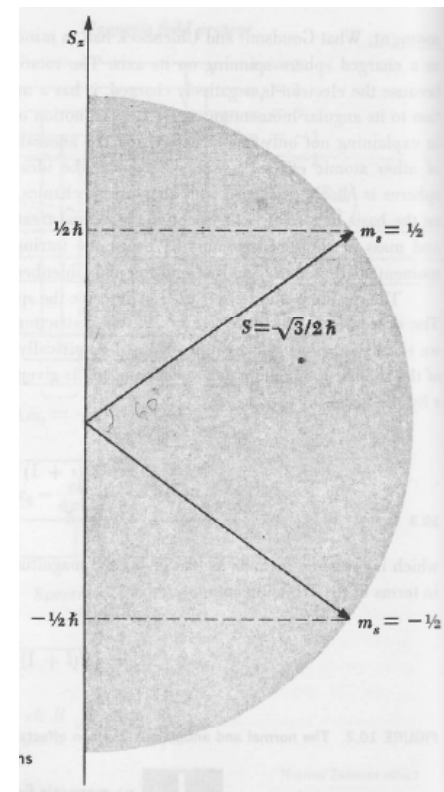
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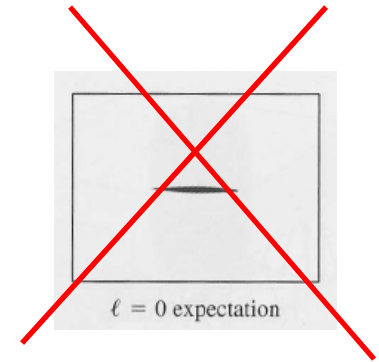
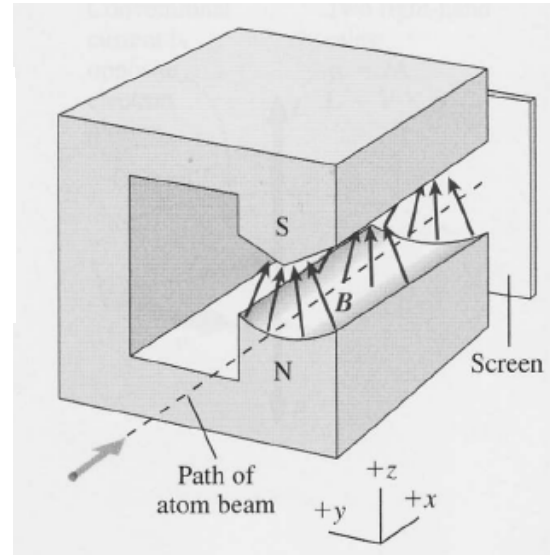


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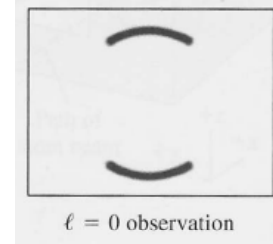
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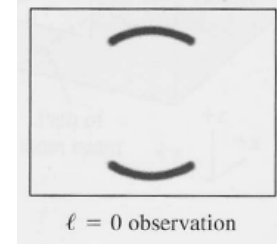
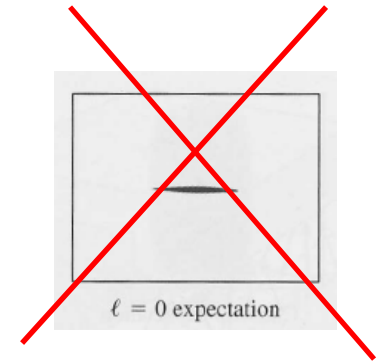
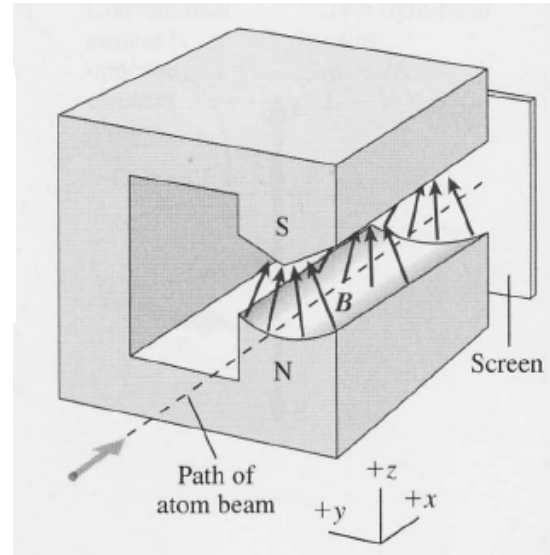
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$$m_s = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

Two lines! For  $l = 0$

# Four quantum numbers

- Principal quantum number:  $n$

$$E_n = -13.6 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) \quad \begin{array}{l} |\vec{L}| = \sqrt{l(l+1)}\hbar \\ L_z = m_l\hbar \end{array}$$

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- Orbital quantum number:  $l = 0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1)$
- Magnetic quantum number:  $m_l = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm l$
- Spin quantum number:  $m_s = -s, -s + 1, \dots, s - 1, s$

# Wave functions

$$\psi_{n,l,m_l,m_s} = \psi_{n,l,m_l}(r,\theta,\phi) m_s$$

$$\psi_{n,l,m_l,+\frac{1}{2}} = \psi_{n,l,m_l}(r,\theta,\phi) \uparrow$$

$$\psi_{n,l,m_l,-\frac{1}{2}} = \psi_{n,l,m_l}(r,\theta,\phi) \downarrow$$

- Spin should increase the degeneracy when no magnetic field is present  $n^2$  to  $2n^2$
- With the magnetic field, degeneracy can be
- broken due to LS coupling.

# Spin-Orbit Interaction

- In a weak external magnetic field, we observe the combined angular momentum

$$\text{Total Angular Momentum } (\vec{J}) \qquad \vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$$

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

$$J_z = m_j \hbar \quad :$$

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where  $j = |l - s|, |l - s| + 1, \dots, |l + s| - 1, |l + s|$

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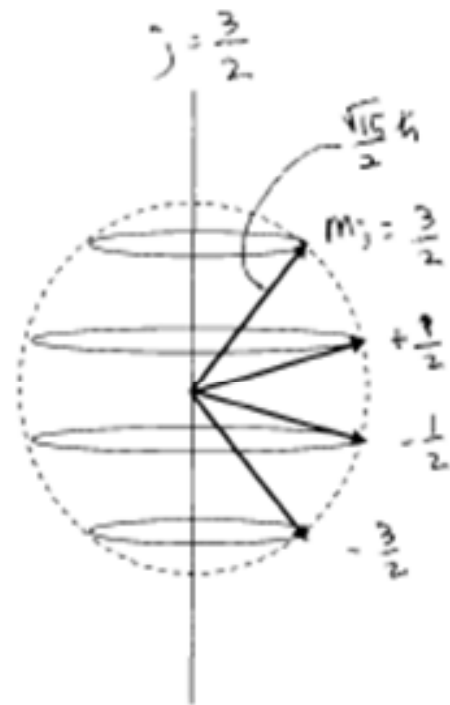
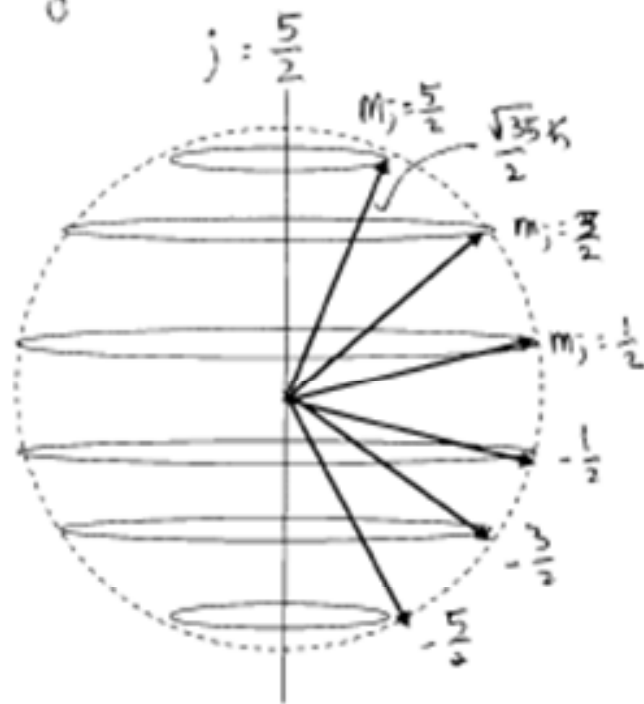
$$\text{for } j = \frac{5}{2} \rightarrow m_j = -\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}, +\frac{5}{2} \quad |\vec{J}| = \sqrt{j(j+1)}\hbar = \sqrt{\frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{7}{2}}\hbar = \frac{\sqrt{35}}{2} \hbar$$

6 possible states ( $2j+1$ )

$$\text{for } j = \frac{3}{2} \rightarrow m_j = -\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{3}{2} \quad |\vec{J}| = \sqrt{j(j+1)}\hbar = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{5}{2}}\hbar = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2} \hbar \rightarrow$$

4 possible states

--LS coupling--

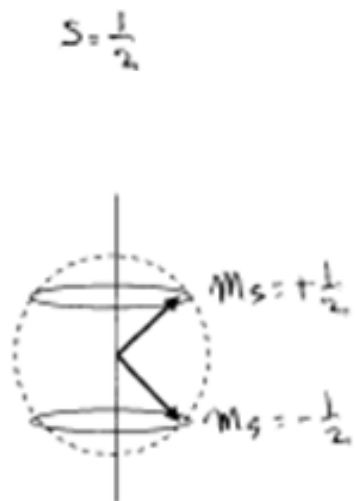
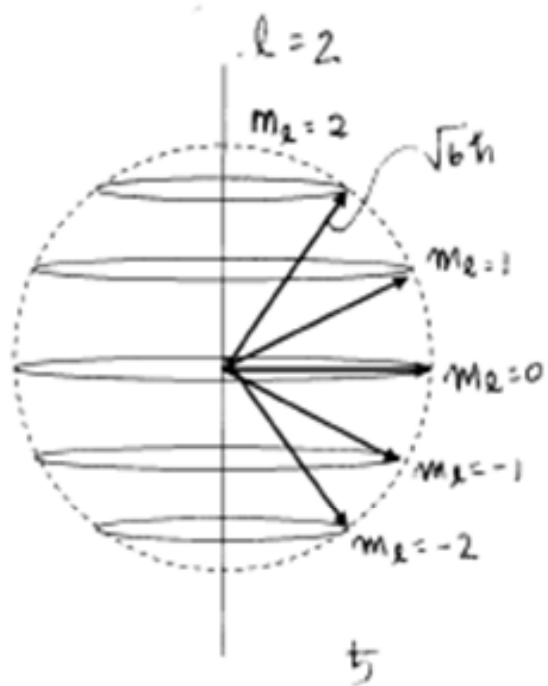


6 + 4 = 10 states

## Exercise $l=2, s=1/2$

- In a strong external magnetic field
  - LS coupling breaks (LS coupling effect is very small)
  - L and S are independently quantized.

- separate -



$\hbar \times 2 = 10$  states