

Consider now the spin-part of the N - N wavefunction. We can couple the two $s = \frac{1}{2}$ fermions antiparallel ($S=0$) or parallel ($S=1$); one obtains in the coupled representation, see e.g. Shankar, QM, p.405:

spin-singlet: $\chi_{S=0, S_z=0}^{(1,2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|\uparrow(1)\rangle |\downarrow(2)\rangle - |\downarrow(1)\rangle |\uparrow(2)\rangle]$

where we have used the shorthand notation $|\uparrow\rangle \equiv |s=\frac{1}{2}, m_s=+\frac{1}{2}\rangle$ etc.

spin-triplet:

$$\begin{cases} \chi_{S=1, S_z=+1}^{(1,2)} = |\uparrow(1)\rangle |\uparrow(2)\rangle \\ \chi_{S=1, S_z=0}^{(1,2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|\uparrow(1)\rangle |\downarrow(2)\rangle + |\downarrow(1)\rangle |\uparrow(2)\rangle] \\ \chi_{S=1, S_z=-1}^{(1,2)} = |\downarrow(1)\rangle |\downarrow(2)\rangle \end{cases}$$

We define the spin-exchange operator $\hat{P}_\sigma$ via

$$\hat{P}_\sigma |S, S_z; (1,2)\rangle = |S, S_z; (2,1)\rangle$$

from which we conclude that

$\hat{P}_\sigma S=0\rangle = - S=0\rangle$	antisym.
$\hat{P}_\sigma S=1\rangle = + S=1\rangle$	sym.

It is also of interest to calculate the exp. values of spin-dep. operators in the spin-singlet and triplet states. For example, let us look at the ~~3rd~~ 3rd term in the v_{18} potential.

$$\langle v_3 \rangle = \langle S, S_z^{(1,2)} | \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2}{r} | S, S_z^{(1,2)} \rangle v_3(r)$$

From $\vec{\sigma}^2 = (\vec{\sigma}_1 + \vec{\sigma}_2)^2 = \underbrace{\vec{\sigma}_1^2}_3 + \underbrace{\vec{\sigma}_2^2}_3 + 2\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2$ we obtain

$$\underline{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 = \frac{\vec{\sigma}^2 - 6}{2} = \frac{\vec{\sigma}^2}{2} - 3 = \frac{2}{\hbar^2} \vec{S}^2 - 3} \quad (*)$$

where we have used the identity $\vec{S} = \frac{\hbar}{2}(\vec{\sigma}_1 + \vec{\sigma}_2) = \frac{\hbar}{2} \vec{\sigma}$.

Inserting (*) into the matrix element, we obtain

$$\langle v_3 \rangle = v_3(r) \langle S, S_z | \frac{2}{\hbar^2} \vec{S}^2 - 3 | S, S_z \rangle$$

Since the eigenvalues of $\vec{S}^2 = \hbar^2 S(S+1)$ we finally obtain:

$$\boxed{\langle v_3 \rangle = v_3(r) \times \begin{cases} (-3) ; & \text{for } S=0 \\ (+1) ; & \text{for } S=1 \end{cases}}$$

In a completely analogous fashion, one can construct the corresponding isospin-states for the N-N system; from $\vec{T} = \vec{T}_1 + \vec{T}_2 = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\tau}_1 + \vec{\tau}_2)$ etc. one finds:

isospin-singlet: $\zeta_{T=0, T_z=0}^{(1,2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|p(1)\rangle |n(2)\rangle - |n(1)\rangle |p(2)\rangle]$

where $|p\rangle = \text{proton}$ and $|n\rangle = \text{neutron}$.

isospin-triplet:
$$\begin{cases} \zeta_{T=1, T_z=+1}^{(1,2)} = |p(1)\rangle |p(2)\rangle \\ \zeta_{T=1, T_z=0}^{(1,2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|p(1)\rangle |n(2)\rangle + |n(1)\rangle |p(2)\rangle] \\ \zeta_{T=1, T_z=-1}^{(1,2)} = |n(1)\rangle |n(2)\rangle \end{cases}$$

In analogous fashion to spin, one defines the isospin-exchange op. $\hat{P}_\tau$

$$\hat{P}_\tau | T, T_z; \underbrace{(1,2)}_{\rightarrow} \rangle = | T, T_z; (2,1) \rangle$$

from which we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_\tau |T=0\rangle &= -|T=0\rangle \text{ antisym.} \\ \hat{P}_\tau |T=1\rangle &= +|T=1\rangle \text{ sym.} \end{aligned}$$

By combining space-, spin-, and isospin-parts one obtains the total N-N state vector.

a) Uncoupled representation

$$|\psi(1,2)\rangle = \underbrace{|L, M_L\rangle}_{\text{unc. relative motion}} \otimes \underbrace{|S, S_z\rangle}_{\text{spin}} \otimes \underbrace{|T, T_z\rangle}_{\text{isospin}}$$

b) Coupled representation

Here we couple the angular momenta L and S to J :

$$\underbrace{|LS; JM_J\rangle}_{\text{coupled repr.}} = \sum_{M_L, S_z} \underbrace{\langle LM_L, SS_z | JM_J\rangle}_{\text{Clebsch-Gordan}} \underbrace{|L, M_L\rangle |S, S_z\rangle}_{\text{uncoupled repr.}}$$

and the total N-N state vector becomes

$$|\psi(1,2)\rangle_{\text{coupled}} = \underbrace{|LS; JM_J\rangle}_{\text{rel. motion + spin}} \otimes \underbrace{|T, T_z\rangle}_{\text{isospin}}$$

Spin multiplicity

Spectroscopic notation of quantum states: $(2S+1)L_J$

Total antisymmetry of state vector $|\psi(1,2)\rangle$

Pauli's spin-statistics theorem for fermions requires antisymmetry under coordinate $1 \leftrightarrow 2$ exchange:

$$\hat{P}_{12} |\psi(1,2)\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |\psi(2,1)\rangle \stackrel{!}{=} -|\psi(1,2)\rangle$$

Since particle interchange $\hat{P}_{12}$ affects position, spin, and isospin we have

$$\hat{P}_{12} = -1 = \hat{P}_r \cdot \hat{P}_\sigma \cdot \hat{P}_\tau \quad (*)$$

The operator $\hat{P}_r$ is here the same as the parity operator because $\vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2 \rightarrow -\vec{r}$ under (1,2) interchange.

From (*) we conclude for the eigenvalues of $\hat{P}_r, \hat{P}_\sigma, \hat{P}_\tau$:

$P_\tau = -P_r \cdot P_\sigma$	with $P_r = \text{parity} = (-1)^L$
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On page 9 we have shown that

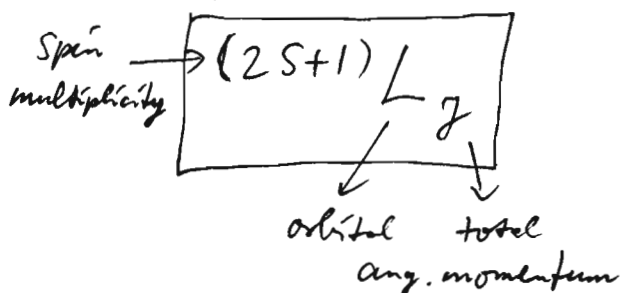
$$P_\sigma = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{for } S=0 \text{ (spin-singlet)} \\ +1 & \text{for } S=1 \text{ (spin-triplet)} \end{cases}$$

Since P_r and P_σ determine, via the Pauli principle, the allowed P_τ -value, they determine the allowed pp, np, nn-combinations in these states!

From p.10,11 we observe

$$P_\tau = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{for } T=0 \text{ (isospin-singlet): } \underline{\text{only np possible!}} \\ +1 & \text{for } T=1 \text{ (isospin-triplet): } pp, nn, \text{ and } np. \end{cases}$$

The table on p.13 shows how the Pauli principle restricts the allowed states of the N-N system. We use the "spectroscopic notation"



with the nomenclature

$$S \hat{=} (L=0)$$

$$P \hat{=} (L=1)$$

$$D \hat{=} (L=2) \text{ etc.}$$

Low-L states of the nucleon-nucleon system

L	S	J	Spectroscopic notation	parity $(-1)^L = P_r$	P_0	$P_0 \stackrel{\text{Pauli}}{=} -P_r \cdot P_0$	T	allowed N-N combinations
0	0	0	1S_0	+1	-1	+1	1	pp, nn, np
	1	1	3S_1	+1	+1	-1	0	np
1	0	1	1P_1	-1	-1	-1	0	np
	1	0	3P_0	-1	+1	+1	1	pp, nn, np
		1	3P_1	-1	+1	+1	1	pp, nn, np
		2	3P_2	-1	+1	+1	1	pp, nn, np
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← Student homework!

Exp. data on pp and np elastic scattering

Diff. cross sections have been measured in a wide energy range:

$$\text{slide 7: } \frac{d\sigma(\theta_{cm})}{d\Omega_{cm}} \text{ for } E_{lab} = 10-500 \text{ MeV}$$

Recall theory of elastic scattering (no spin);

partial wave expansion method (e.g. Shankar, QM, p. 545-550)

$$\text{diff. scatt. cross section } \frac{d\sigma(\theta_{cm})}{d\Omega_{cm}} = |f(\theta_{cm})|^2$$

with the scattering amplitude

$$f(\theta_{cm}) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{L=0}^{\infty} (2L+1) e^{i\delta(L)} \sin \delta(L) P_L(\cos \theta_{cm})$$

where $E_{cm} = \frac{1}{2} \mu v^2 = \frac{1}{2} \hbar^2 k^2 / \mu$, and the phase shifts $\delta(L)$ are determined by solving the radial Schrödinger eq. for a given potential $V(r)$. From the (numerical) soln. of the radial WF's one obtains the phase shifts $\delta(L)$:

$$R_L(r \rightarrow \infty) = A_L \frac{\sin(kr - L\frac{\pi}{2} + \delta(L))}{r}$$

These phase shifts are energy-dependent (E_{cm}/E_{lab}).

Conclusion: From a "phase shift analysis" of elastic scatt. data one can get info about $V(r)$.

Phase shift analysis of Argonne v-18 potential

Because nucleons carry spin, the partial wave analysis is more complicated. In particular, the phase shifts depend on

$$\delta(L) \xrightarrow{\text{no spin}} \delta(L, S, J) \equiv \delta({}^{2S+1}L_J)$$

for N-N scatt spectroscopic notation.

Again, the phase shifts depend on the beam energy E_{lab} .

Discuss slide ¹²~~14~~: phase shifts $\delta({}^1S_0)$ and $\delta({}^3P_0)$
 slide 14:
 slide ¹²~~16~~: { phase shifts for 12 "reaction channels" ${}^{2S+1}L_J$.

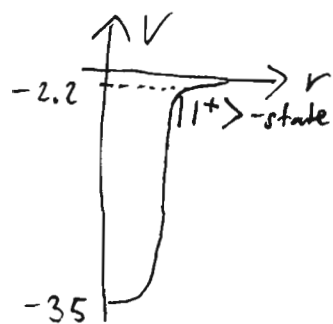
The phase shift analysis requires that one calculate the expectation values of $V_{NN} = \sum_{k=1}^{18} v_k(r) O_k$
 $\sim \text{spin/isospin/LS} \dots$
 in the various reaction channels:

$$V_{NN}({}^{2S+1}L_J) = \langle {}^{2S+1}L_J | V_{NN} | {}^{2S+1}L_J \rangle$$

These quantities are shown for the (older) Reid soft-core potential in slide ⁹~~11~~. We note:

slide ⁹~~11~~:
 a) N-N interaction has short-range repulsive core ($V_{NN} \rightarrow \infty$ for $r = 0.5-1.0 \text{ fm}$)
 b) long-range character determined by OPEP
 $\sim$ strong spatial-spin-isospin correlations.

Exp. evidence for tensor force (S_{12}): the deuteron



Experiments reveal that there is only one (weakly) bound state for 2 nucleons, namely the deuteron (pn) system. The binding energy is only -2.2 MeV, and the bound state carries the quantum numbers $J^\pi = 1^+$.

Our table of the NN quantum states, p. 13, reveals one possible state with the correct quantum numbers, namely the

$$|{}^3S_1\rangle\text{-state } (L=0, S=1, J=1).$$

However, experiments reveal that the deuteron ground state has a nonzero quadrupole moment $Q = 2.82 \text{ mb}$; since an $L=0$ state is spherically symmetric, there must be an admixture with $L>0$. A fit to exp. data reveals that a mixed state of the form

$$|\psi_{\text{deuteron}}^{g.s.}\rangle = a|{}^3S_1\rangle + b|{}^3D_1\rangle$$

with $|b|^2 = 0.03 \pm 0.01$ describes all the features.

$J=1$	
${}^3S_1\text{-state}$	${}^3D_1\text{-state}$
$S=1$ $L=0$ p n	$L=2$ p n $S=1$

Note: since L is not conserved here (superposition of $L=0, 2$) the V_{np} potential must have a non-central component which is quantitatively explained by S_{12} -term in OPEP.