

Final

1. Zeeman effect

The sodium D-lines are the transitions of $3 p_{3/2} \rightarrow 3 s_{1/2}$ (5890 Å) and $3 p_{1/2} \rightarrow 3 s_{1/2}$ (5896 Å). The corresponding photon energies are 2.105 eV and 2.103 eV, respectively.

In a weak magnetic field, the $3 p_{3/2}$ level splits into four levels with $m_j = \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{-1}{2}, \frac{-3}{2}$, the $3 p_{1/2}$ level into two levels with $m_j = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{-1}{2}$, and the $3 s_{1/2}$ level into two levels with $m_j = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{-1}{2}$. Following Sakurai Eq. (5.3.32), the energy shifts are (in the Gaussian unit)

$$\Delta E_B = -\frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} m_j \left(1 \pm \frac{1}{2l+1}\right)$$

which are

$$\Delta E_B = -\frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} \frac{4}{3} m_j \text{ for } 3 p_{3/2},$$

$$\Delta E_B = -\frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} \frac{2}{3} m_j \text{ for } 3 p_{1/2},$$

$$\Delta E_B = -\frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} 2 m_j \text{ for } 3 s_{1/2}.$$

The Bohr magneton is $\frac{e\hbar}{2mc} = -5.788 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ eV/T}$.

Under the electric dipole transitions, we have the selection rules that $\Delta l = \pm 1$, and $\Delta m_j = 0, \pm 1$. Therefore the allowed transitions, m_j , and the photon energies are:

$3 p_{3/2} \rightarrow 3 s_{1/2}$

$$\frac{3}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} : E = 2.105 \text{ eV} - \frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} \left(\frac{4}{3} \frac{3}{2} - 2 \frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ eV/T} = (2.105 + 5.788 \cdot 10^{-5} B/T) \text{ eV}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} : E = 2.105 \text{ eV} - \frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} \left(\frac{4}{3} \frac{1}{2} - 2 \frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ eV/T} = (2.105 - 1.929 \cdot 10^{-5} B/T) \text{ eV}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{-1}{2} : E = 2.105 \text{ eV} - \frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} \left(\frac{4}{3} \frac{1}{2} - 2 \frac{-1}{2}\right) \text{ eV/T} = (2.105 + 9.647 \cdot 10^{-5} B/T) \text{ eV}$$

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$3 p_{1/2} \rightarrow 3 s_{1/2}$

$$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} : E = 2.103 \text{ eV} - \frac{e\hbar B}{2mc} \left(\frac{4}{3} \frac{3}{2} - 2 \frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ eV/T} = (2.103 - 3.859 \cdot 10^{-5} B/T) \text{ eV}$$

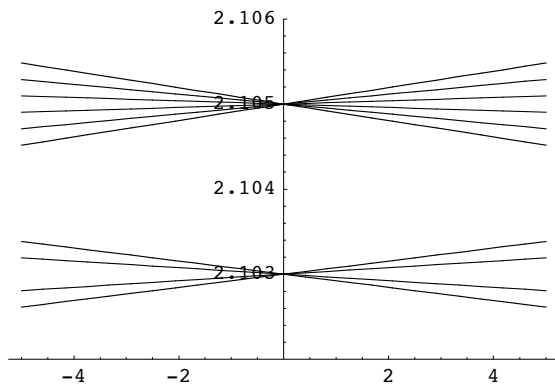
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The 5890 Å line splits into six equally spaced lines, while the 5896 Å splits into four lines with unequal spacings.

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  2.103 - 7.717 10-5 B, 2.103 + 3.859 10-5 B}, {B, -5, 5}, PlotRange -> {2.102, 2.106}]
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The fact that there are even number of lines with unequal splittings was called "anomalous Zeeman effect" because it could not be "explained" by semi-classical expectations without the spin.

By the way, for the magnetic field larger than a few Tesla, obviously the $2p_{1/2}$ and $2p_{3/2}$ states come close and hence the magnetic field cannot be treated "weak." Both Paschen-Back and Zeeman effects need to be considered simultaneously using the degenerate perturbation theory by diagonalizing the perturbation matrix as we discussed in the class.

2. Ion in a crystal field

(a)

The Coulomb potential due to the positive ions on the electron is

$$e^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-a)^2 + y^2 + z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x+a)^2 + y^2 + z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + (y-a)^2 + z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + (y+a)^2 + z^2}} \right).$$

Taylor expanding it to the second order,

$$\text{Simplify}[\text{Series}[\text{e}^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-a)^2 + y^2 + z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x+a)^2 + y^2 + z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + (y-a)^2 + z^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + (y+a)^2 + z^2}} \right) /, \{x \rightarrow t x, y \rightarrow t y, z \rightarrow t z\}, \{t, 0, 2\}]]$$

$$\frac{4 e^2}{\sqrt{a^2}} + \frac{e^2 (x^2 + y^2 - 2 z^2) t^2}{(a^2)^{3/2}} + O[t]^3$$

The potential is therefore

$$V = 4 \frac{e^2}{a} + \frac{e^2}{a^3} (x^2 + y^2 - 2 z^2)$$

(b)

The second term $\Delta V = \frac{e^2}{a^3} (x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2)$ is the perturbation on the p -electron. Note that its form is that of the quadrupole moment, and hence is a spherical tensor of $q = 2$ and $k = 0$. Therefore the expectation values are proportional to the Clebsch-Gordan coefficients

Table [ClebschGordan[{1, 1}, {2, 0}, {1, 1}], {1, -1, 1}]

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}, -\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \right\}$$

It is clear that the energy levels are split into a degenerate doublet ($m = \pm 1$) and a separate singlet ($m = 0$).

To compute the actual expectation values, we use $\psi = R(r) Y_l^m$,

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 Y_2^0 &= \sqrt{\frac{5}{16\pi}} r^2 (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1) = -\sqrt{\frac{5}{16\pi}} (x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2). \text{ Then} \\ \langle l, m | x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2 | l, m \rangle &= \int r^2 dr d\Omega R^2(r) Y_l^{m*} (x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2) Y_l^m \\ &= -\sqrt{\frac{16\pi}{5}} \int r^4 dr d\Omega R^2(r) Y_l^{m*} Y_2^0 Y_l^m \\ &= -\sqrt{\frac{16\pi}{5}} \langle r^2 \rangle \int d\Omega Y_l^{m*} Y_2^0 Y_l^m \end{aligned}$$

Now the last factor can be simplified using Sakurai's Eq. (3.7.73)

$$\int d\Omega Y_l^{m*} Y_2^0 Y_l^m = \sqrt{\frac{5}{4\pi}} \langle l, 2; 00 | l2; l0 \rangle \langle l, 2; m0 | l2; lm \rangle$$

For our case, $l = 1$, and hence

$$\int d\Omega Y_l^{m*} Y_2^0 Y_l^m = \sqrt{\frac{5}{4\pi}} \left(-\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}, -\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \right) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{4\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, -\frac{1}{5} \right).$$

Finally we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \langle l, m | x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2 | l, m \rangle &= -\sqrt{\frac{16\pi}{5}} \langle r^2 \rangle \sqrt{\frac{5}{4\pi}} \left(-\frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, -\frac{1}{5} \right) \\ &= \langle r^2 \rangle \left(\frac{2}{5}, -\frac{4}{5}, \frac{2}{5} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The energy shifts are

$$\frac{e^2}{a^3} \langle 1, m | x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2 | 1, m \rangle = \frac{2e^2}{5a^2} \langle r^2 \rangle (1, -2, 1).$$

The degeneracy is due to the time-reversal invariance of the Hamiltonian, which interchanges $m = 1$ and $m = -1$. Another symmetry that explains the degeneracy is the 180 degrees rotation around x or y axis, which also interchanges $m = 1$ and $m = -1$ states. Either of them leaves the Hamiltonian invariant and hence guarantees the degeneracy.

3. Tritium Beta Decay

This is a problem where the hydrogen nucleus "suddenly" changes its charge from $Z = 1$ to $Z = 2$. The needed wave functions are

$$\mathbf{R}_{1s} = \mathbf{a}^{-3/2} 2 \mathbf{e}^{-r/a}$$

$$\frac{2 \mathbf{e}^{-\frac{r}{a}}}{\mathbf{a}^{3/2}}$$

$$R_{2s} = (2a)^{-3/2} \left(2 - \frac{r}{a}\right) e^{-r/(2a)}$$

$$\frac{e^{-\frac{r}{2a}} \left(2 - \frac{r}{a}\right)}{2\sqrt{2} a^{3/2}}$$

$$R_{2p} = (2a)^{-3/2} \frac{r}{\sqrt{3}a} e^{-r/(2a)}$$

$$\frac{e^{-\frac{r}{2a}} r}{2\sqrt{6} a^{5/2}}$$

Just before the beta decay, the electron was in the $1s$ state with $Z = 1$. Note that the Bohr radius changes to $a \rightarrow \frac{a}{Z} = \frac{a}{2}$ after the beta decay. Therefore the probability to find the electron in the $1s$ state of the He^+ ion is given by the overlap integral,

$$R_{1s} / \cdot \left\{ a \rightarrow \frac{a}{2} \right\}$$

$$\frac{4\sqrt{2} e^{-\frac{2r}{a}}}{a^{3/2}}$$

Integrate[% $R_{1s} r^2$, { r , 0, ∞ }, **Assumptions** $\rightarrow a > 0$]

$$\frac{16\sqrt{2}}{27}$$

N[%²]

0.702332

Hence 70.2%. The probability to find the electron in the $2s$ state of the He^+ ion is

$$R_{2s} / \cdot \left\{ a \rightarrow \frac{a}{2} \right\}$$

$$\frac{e^{-\frac{r}{a}} \left(2 - \frac{2r}{a}\right)}{a^{3/2}}$$

Integrate[% $R_{1s} r^2$, { r , 0, ∞ }, **Assumptions** $\rightarrow a > 0$]

$$-\frac{1}{2}$$

N[%²]

0.25

Hence 25.0%.

Finally, the $2p$ state has $l = 1$, while the sudden change in the nuclear charge does not change the spherical symmetry, and hence the probability to find the electron in the $2p$ state, or any states with non-zero l , is zero. (Of course this part of the conclusion depends crucially on the assumption to ignore the nuclear recoil.)

4. Dyson Series

(a)

The Dyson series up to $O(V^2)$ is

$$U_I(t) = 1 + \frac{-i}{\hbar} \int_0^t V_I(t') dt' + \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar}\right)^2 \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} V_I(t') V_I(t'') dt'' dt' + O(V^3).$$

We take its matrix element between the same states,

$$\langle i | U_I(t) | i \rangle = 1 + \frac{-i}{\hbar} \int_0^t \langle i | V_I(t') | i \rangle dt' + \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar}\right)^2 \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \langle i | V_I(t') V_I(t'') | i \rangle dt'' dt' + O(V^3)$$

The second term is

$$\frac{-i}{\hbar} \int_0^t e^{i E_i t'/\hbar} V_{ii} e^{-i E_i t'/\hbar} dt' = \frac{-i}{\hbar} V_{ii} t,$$

which is identified with the term $\frac{-i}{\hbar} \Delta_i^{(1)} t$ in Eq. (1). Therefore we reproduce the result from the time-independent perturbation theory

$$\Delta_i^{(1)} = V_{ii}.$$

The third term produces many interesting contributions. Inserting the complete set of intermediate states,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar}\right)^2 \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \langle i | V_I(t') V_I(t'') | i \rangle dt'' dt' &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \sum_m \langle i | V_I(t') | m \rangle \langle m | V_I(t'') | i \rangle dt'' dt' \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \sum_m V_{im} e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar} V_{mi} e^{i(E_i - E_m)t''/\hbar} dt'' dt' \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} (V_{ii} V_{ii} + \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar} V_{mi} e^{-i(E_i - E_m)t''/\hbar}) dt'' dt' \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} V_{ii}^2 t^2 + \sum_{m \neq i} |V_{im}|^2 \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} e^{-i(E_m - E_i)(t' - t'')/\hbar} dt'' dt' \right) \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} V_{ii}^2 t^2 + \sum_{m \neq i} |V_{im}|^2 \int_0^t \frac{1 - e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar}}{i(E_m - E_i)/\hbar} dt' \right) \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} V_{ii}^2 t^2 + \sum_{m \neq i} |V_{im}|^2 \frac{1}{i(E_m - E_i)/\hbar} \left(t - \frac{e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t/\hbar} - 1}{-i(E_m - E_i)/\hbar} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} V_{ii}^2 t^2 + \sum_{m \neq i} |V_{im}|^2 \frac{1}{E_i - E_m} \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar} t + \frac{e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t/\hbar} - 1}{E_i - E_m} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} V_{ii}^2 t^2 + \frac{-i}{\hbar} \left(\sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|V_{im}|^2}{E_i - E_m} t \right) + \left(\sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|V_{im}|^2}{(E_i - E_m)^2} e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t/\hbar} \right) - \left(\sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|V_{im}|^2}{(E_i - E_m)^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The first term is $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar} \Delta_i^{(1)} t\right)^2$, while the second term is $\frac{-i}{\hbar} \Delta_i^{(2)} t$ with

$$\Delta_i^{(2)} = \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|V_{im}|^2}{E_i - E_m}.$$

The last term is a part of the wave function renormalization factor

$$Z_i = 1 - \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|V_{im}|^2}{(E_i - E_m)^2}.$$

Finally, the third term is the time-evolution of the state m mixed to the state i due to the perturbation by $\frac{V_{im}}{E_i - E_m}$. For $t \rightarrow \infty$, this term oscillates rapidly and can be dropped; however it is there for a finite t .

Just in case you are wondering why this works, here is the reason (not a part of the exam). Using the notation of the time-independent perturbation theory, our initial and the final states are the unperturbed $|i^{(0)}\rangle$. It can be expanded in the true Hamiltonian eigenstates as

$$|i^{(0)}\rangle = \sum_m |m\rangle \langle m | i^{(0)}\rangle = |i\rangle \langle i | i^{(0)}\rangle + \sum_{m \neq i} |m\rangle \langle m | i^{(0)}\rangle.$$

The wave function renormalization factor is $Z_i = |\langle i | i^{(0)}\rangle|^2$, and hence (with a proper phase convention)

$$|i^{(0)}\rangle = Z_i^{1/2} |i\rangle + \sum_{m \neq i} |m\rangle \langle m | i^{(0)}\rangle.$$

The time-evolution operator in the interaction picture is $U_I(t) = e^{i H_0 t/\hbar} U(t)$ (Eq. (5.6.9) in Sakurai with $t_0 = 0$), and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \langle i^{(0)} | U_I(t) | i^{(0)}\rangle &= \langle i^{(0)} | e^{i H_0 t/\hbar} U(t) | i^{(0)}\rangle = e^{i E_i^{(0)} t/\hbar} \langle i^{(0)} | U(t) | i^{(0)}\rangle \\ &= e^{i E_i^{(0)} t/\hbar} (Z_i \langle i | U(t) | i \rangle + \sum_{m \neq i} \langle m | U(t) | m \rangle |\langle m | i^{(0)}\rangle|^2) \\ &= Z_i e^{-i(E_i - E_i^{(0)})t/\hbar} + \sum_{m \neq i} e^{-i(E_m - E_i^{(0)})t/\hbar} |\langle m | i^{(0)}\rangle|^2 \end{aligned}$$

If you expand this expression up to $O(V^2)$, you recover precisely the result obtained above. This technique and that below are somehow not discussed in any textbooks I know. If you find one, let me know.

(b)

Following the same steps as above,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-i}{\hbar}\right)^2 \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \langle i | V_I(t') V_I(t'') | i \rangle dt'' dt' &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \sum_m \langle i | V_I(t') | m \rangle \langle m | V_I(t'') | i \rangle dt'' dt' \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \sum_m V_{im} \cos \omega t' e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar} V_{mi} \cos \omega t'' e^{-i(E_i - E_m)t''/\hbar} dt'' dt' \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} (V_{ii}^2 \cos \omega t' \cos \omega t'' + \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} \cos \omega t' e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar} V_{mi} \cos \omega t'' e^{-i(E_i - E_m)t''/\hbar}) dt'' dt' \end{aligned}$$

Because we are interested in the term that grows as t , we can drop all the other terms. Namely, the integrand of the first term oscillates rapidly for large t and t' , and we drop it. The second term is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} V_{mi} \int_0^t \int_0^{t'} \cos \omega t' e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar} \frac{1}{2} (e^{-i(E_i - E_m + \hbar \omega)t''/\hbar} + e^{-i(E_i - E_m - \hbar \omega)t''/\hbar}) dt'' dt' \\ = \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} V_{mi} \int_0^t \cos \omega t' e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{e^{-i(E_i - E_m + \hbar \omega)t''/\hbar} - 1}{-i(E_i - E_m + \hbar \omega)/\hbar} + \frac{e^{-i(E_i - E_m - \hbar \omega)t''/\hbar} - 1}{-i(E_i - E_m - \hbar \omega)/\hbar} \right) dt' \\ = \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} V_{mi} \int_0^t \cos \omega t' \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{e^{-i\omega t'} - e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar}}{-i(E_i - E_m + \hbar \omega)/\hbar} + \frac{e^{i\omega t'} - e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar}}{-i(E_i - E_m - \hbar \omega)/\hbar} \right) dt' \end{aligned}$$

The terms with $e^{-i(E_m - E_i)t'/\hbar}$ oscillate rapidly and can be dropped. Then,

$$= \frac{-1}{\hbar^2} \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} V_{mi} \int_0^t \frac{1}{4} (e^{i\omega t'} + e^{-i\omega t'}) \left(\frac{e^{-i\omega t'}}{-i(E_i - E_m + \hbar \omega)/\hbar} + \frac{e^{i\omega t'}}{-i(E_i - E_m - \hbar \omega)/\hbar} \right) dt'$$

Only the terms without the oscillatory factors give $O(t)$ contributions,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{-i}{\hbar} \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} V_{mi} \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{E_i - E_m + \hbar \omega} + \frac{1}{E_i - E_m - \hbar \omega} \right) t \\ &= \frac{-i}{\hbar} \sum_{m \neq i} V_{im} V_{mi} \frac{1}{4} \frac{2(E_i - E_m)}{(E_i - E_m + \hbar \omega)(E_i - E_m - \hbar \omega)} t \\ &= \frac{-i}{\hbar} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|V_{mi}|^2 (E_i - E_m)}{(E_i - E_m)^2 - (\hbar \omega)^2} t \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\Delta_i^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|V_{mi}|^2 (E_i - E_m)}{(E_i - E_m)^2 - (\hbar \omega)^2}.$$

The expression does not go back to that in the time-independent perturbation theory in the limit $\omega \rightarrow 0$. This is because the quantity is the time average of the oscillating function $\langle \cos^2 \omega t \rangle = \frac{1}{2}$.

(c)

In this case, the perturbation is $V = e E_0 z \cos(kx - \omega t)$ and hence

$$\Delta_i^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2} e^2 E_0^2 \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|z_{mi}|^2 (E_i - E_m)}{(E_i - E_m)^2 - (\hbar \omega)^2}.$$

Here, we used the electric dipole approximation and set $kx = 0$.

This energy shift should be compared to the energy of the electromagnetic wave

$\int d^3x \frac{1}{2} (E_0 \cos(kx - \omega t))^2 = \int d^3x \frac{1}{4} E_0^2$, where the time average $\langle \cos^2 \omega t \rangle = \frac{1}{2}$ is taken. Therefore, it corrects the Lagrangian density as

$$\frac{1}{4} E_0^2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{4} E_0^2 \left(1 - \frac{N}{V} 2 e^2 \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|z_{mi}|^2 (E_i - E_m)}{(E_i - E_m)^2 - (\hbar \omega)^2} \right),$$

where $\frac{N}{V}$ is the number density of the hydrogen atom, and hence the polarizability is

$$\alpha = 2 e^2 E_0^2 \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|z_{mi}|^2 (E_m - E_i)}{(E_i - E_m)^2 - (\hbar \omega)^2}$$

which agrees with the static case when $\omega \rightarrow 0$.

(d)

With the polarizability and the number density n ,

$$n(\omega) = \left(1 + \frac{N}{V} \alpha\right)^{1/2} = 1 + \frac{N}{V} 2 e^2 E_0^2 \sum_{m \neq i} \frac{|z_{mi}|^2 (E_m - E_i)}{(E_i - E_m)^2 - (\hbar \omega)^2}.$$

Clearly the denominator is smaller for larger $\hbar \omega < |E_i - E_m|$, and hence the index of refraction increases for the shorter wavelength. This leads to the prediction that red is at the top and violet at the bottom in a rainbow, which obviously explains our experience. See, e.g. <http://accept.la.asu.edu/PlN/mod/light/opticsnature/rainbows.html>

Now you can proudly tell your parents that you fully understand the rainbow from the first principle.