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Additional PS 1

1. Consider a system of angular momentum \vec{J} . Let us consider a system in 3d, spanned by the three eigenkets $|1\rangle, |0\rangle, |-1\rangle$, which are common eigenstates of J^2 and J_z .

The Hamiltonian of the system is

$$H_0 = aJ_z + \frac{b}{\hbar} J_z^2$$

a, b are positive constants (dimensions of angular frequency).

- a) What are the energy levels of this system? For what ratio of b/a is there degeneracy?

- b. A static \vec{B}_0 field is applied in the direction of \vec{u} with polar angles θ, ϕ . The interaction of the magnetic field with the magnetic moment of the system ($\vec{M} = \gamma \vec{J}$) is given by the Hamiltonian:

$$W = \omega_0 J_u$$

where $\omega_0 = -\gamma |\vec{B}_0|$ (Larmor angular frequency).

J_u : Component of J in the direction \vec{u} :

$$J_u = J_z \cos\theta + J_x \sin\theta \cos\phi + J_y \sin\theta \sin\phi.$$

Write the matrix that represents W in the basis of H_0 .

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- b) Let $b = a$ and let \hat{a} be parallel to the x axis.
Assume: $\omega_0 \ll \omega$.

Calculate the energies and eigenstates of the system. ~~By first order in ω_0~~ [Energies to first order to first order in ω_0 .

2. A SHO in 1d is subjected to a perturbation

$$\hat{H}_1 = bx$$

b : real constant.

- a) Calculate the energy shift of the ground state to lowest non-vanishing order.
- b) Solve the problem exactly and compare with your result obtained in (a).