

Physics 330 Example Exam 2  
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100 points total

- 1)
  - a) (10 pts) Write the Schrodinger equation for the Hydrogen Atom using the Laplacian (don't expand into spherical coordinates).
  - b) (5 pts) How are  $R(r)$ ,  $P(\theta)$  and  $F(\phi)$  combined to make  $\Psi(r,\theta,\phi)$ ?
  - c) (10 pts) Draw the ground state wavefunction. What are  $n, l$ , and  $m_l$ ?
  - d) (10 pts) If  $\Psi(r,\theta,\phi) \propto \exp(-r/3a_0)\sin^2(\theta)\exp(2i\phi)$ . What are  $n, l$ , and  $m_l$ ?
  - e) (10 pts) For the  $n$ , and  $l$  found in d) if we now include electron spin, write all possible combinations of  $n, l, m_l, m_s$ , and all possible combinations of  $n, l, j, m_j$ .
- 2)
  - a) (5 pts) What causes the hyperfine splitting?
  - b) (5 pts) Is the transition that gives the 21 cm photon an allowed transition? Explain why or why not.
- 3) For a Helium atom that has one electron  $n=1$ , and the other  $n=2$ :
  - a) (5 pts) What are the possible electron configurations? Use the standard notation.
  - b) (5 pts) Estimate the energy to remove the  $n=2$  electron.
  - c) (5 pts) Write the possible values of  $n, l, m_l, m_s$  for singlet states.
  - d) (5 pts) Write the possible values of  $n, l, m_l, m_s$  for triplet states.
- 4) When describing energy level splitting due to external magnetic fields, we worked with two regimes: strong and weak.
  - a) (5 pts) What is the criterion for being strong or weak?
  - b) (10 pts) For a weak field, what is the energy level splitting for a 3p state? Explain your reasoning.
  - c) (10 pts) For a strong field, what is the energy level splitting for a 3p state? Explain your reasoning.