

# Magnetic dipole interactions

## Magnetic interaction - internal

Spin-orbit interaction:  $\hat{H}_{SO} = -\hat{\mu}_S \cdot \hat{B}_L$



Hyperfine interaction  $\hat{H}_{hfs} = -\hat{\mu}_I \cdot \hat{B}_J$

## Magnetic interaction - external



Zeeman and Paschen-Back effect (Foot 5.5, SP 3.9)

We will study three magnetic effects in an atom.

The energy is always given by:

$$E = \langle -\hat{\mu} \cdot \hat{B} \rangle_{\Psi_0},$$

and we need only determine how the magnetic moment ( $\hat{\mu}$ ) and the magnetic field ( $\hat{B}$ ) should be calculated and what wavefunctions ( $\Psi_0$ ) to use in the calculation in each case.

$$\hat{\mu}_L = -\frac{e}{2m} \hat{L}$$

$$\hat{\mu}_S = -g_s \cdot \frac{e}{2m} \cdot \hat{S}, \quad g_s = 2$$

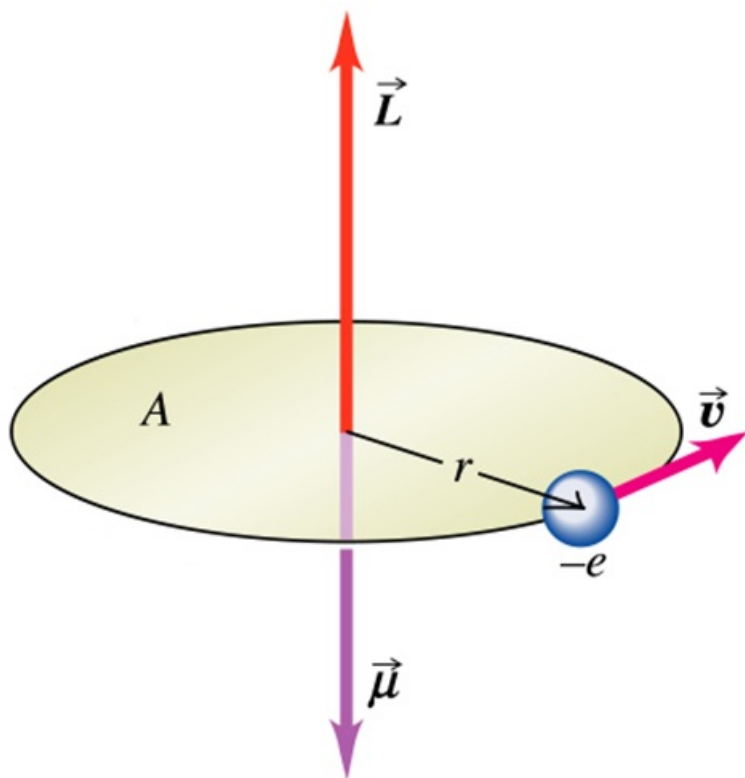
$$\hat{\mu}_{\text{tot}} = -\frac{e}{2m} \cdot (\hat{L} + 2\hat{S})$$

## Units

We:  $L \sim \hbar, \hat{\mu} = -\frac{e}{2m} \hat{L}$

Foot:  $L \sim 1, \hat{\mu} = -\mu_B \hat{L}, \mu_B \text{ (Bohr magneton)} = \frac{e\hbar}{2m}$

## Magnetic dipole moment due to the orbital motion of an electron



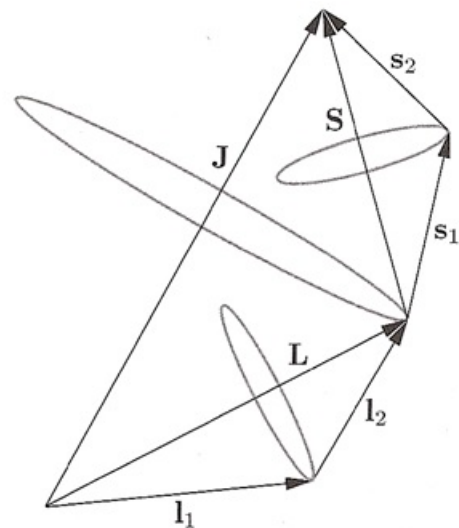
$$\bar{\mu}_\ell = -\frac{e}{2m} \bar{\ell}$$

$$\bar{L} = \sum \bar{\ell}_i \Rightarrow \bar{\mu}_L = -\frac{e}{2m} \sum \bar{\ell}_i = -\frac{e}{2m} \bar{L}$$

# Angular momentum couplings of two electrons in open subshells

Energy structure	Angular momentum coupling	Wavefunctions	Eigenfunctions to
Configuration	-	$ \ell_i, m_{\ell_i}\rangle \cdot  s_i, m_{s_i}\rangle$	$\hat{\ell}_i^2, \hat{\ell}_{iz}, \hat{s}_i^2, \hat{s}_{iz}$
Term $2S+1L$	$\hat{L} = \hat{\ell}_1 + \hat{\ell}_2, \hat{S} = \hat{s}_1 + \hat{s}_2$	$ L, M_L, S, M_S\rangle$	$\hat{L}^2, \hat{L}_z, \hat{S}^2, \hat{S}_z$
Level $2S+1L_J$	$\hat{J} = \hat{L} + \hat{S}$	$ L, S, J, M_J\rangle$	$\hat{L}^2, \hat{S}^2, \hat{J}^2, \hat{J}_z$

$$|\ell_i, m_{\ell_i}\rangle \cdot |s_i, m_{s_i}\rangle = R_{n_i \ell_i}(r_i) \cdot Y_{\ell_i m_{\ell_i}}(\theta_i, \varphi_i) \cdot \chi_{m_{s_i}}(s z_i)$$



**An explicit, LS-coupled, non antisymetrized wave function for a 2 electron configuration,  $n_1\ell_1n_2\ell_2$**

$$|LM_L SM_S\rangle = \sum_{m_{\ell_1} m_{\ell_2}} \sum_{m_{s_1} m_{s_2}} C(\ell_1 m_{\ell_1} \ell_2 m_{\ell_2} : LM_L) \cdot C(s_1 m_{s_1} s_2 m_{s_2} : SM_S) \\ R_{n_1\ell_1}(r_1) Y_{\ell_1 m_{\ell_1}}(\theta_1, \varphi_1) \chi_{s_1 m_{s_1}}(s_{z_1}) \cdot R_{n_2\ell_2}(r_2) Y_{\ell_2 m_{\ell_2}}(\theta_2, \varphi_2) \chi_{s_2 m_{s_2}}(s_{z_2})$$

**Numerical**



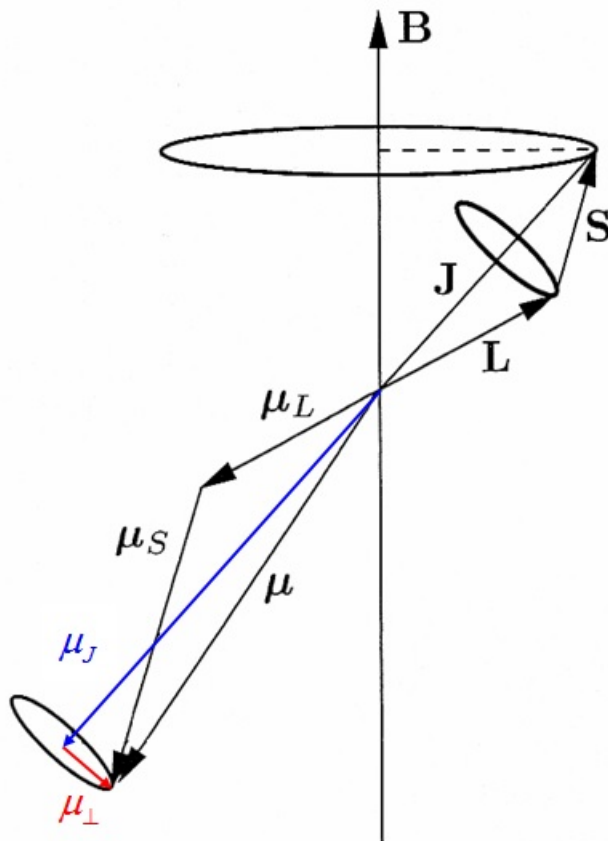
**An explicit, LSJ-coupled, non antisymetrized wave function for a 2 electron configuration,  $n_1\ell_1n_2\ell_2$**

$$|LSJM\rangle = \sum_{M_L M_S} \sum_{m_{\ell_1} m_{\ell_2}} \sum_{m_{s_1} m_{s_2}} C(LM_L SM_S : JM) \cdot C(\ell_1 m_{\ell_1} \ell_2 m_{\ell_2} : LM_L) \cdot C(s_1 m_{s_1} s_2 m_{s_2} : SM_S) \\ R_{n_1 \ell_1}(r_1) Y_{\ell_1 m_{\ell_1}}(\theta_1, \varphi_1) \chi_{s_1 m_{s_1}}(s_{z_1}) \cdot R_{n_2 \ell_2}(r_2) Y_{\ell_2 m_{\ell_2}}(\theta_2, \varphi_2) \chi_{s_2 m_{s_2}}(s_{z_2})$$

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## Zeeman effect in the vector model

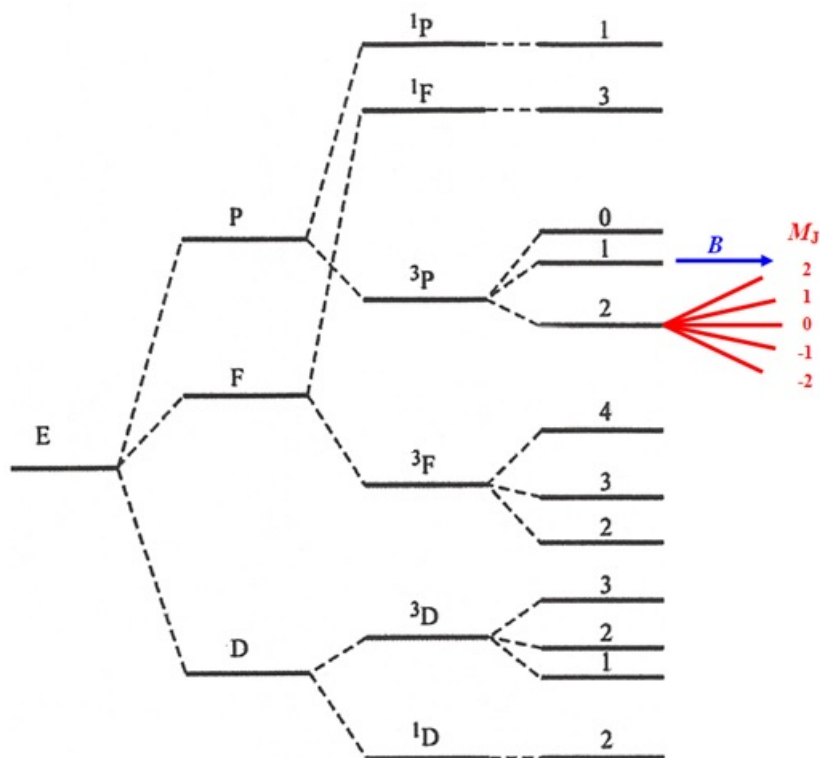


$$\bar{\mu} = \mu_J \cdot \bar{e}_J + \mu_{\perp} \cdot \bar{e}_{\perp}$$

Weak field  $\Rightarrow$

- $L$  and  $S$  precess much faster around  $J$  than  $J$  around  $B$
- The net effect of  $\mu_{\perp}$  is zero

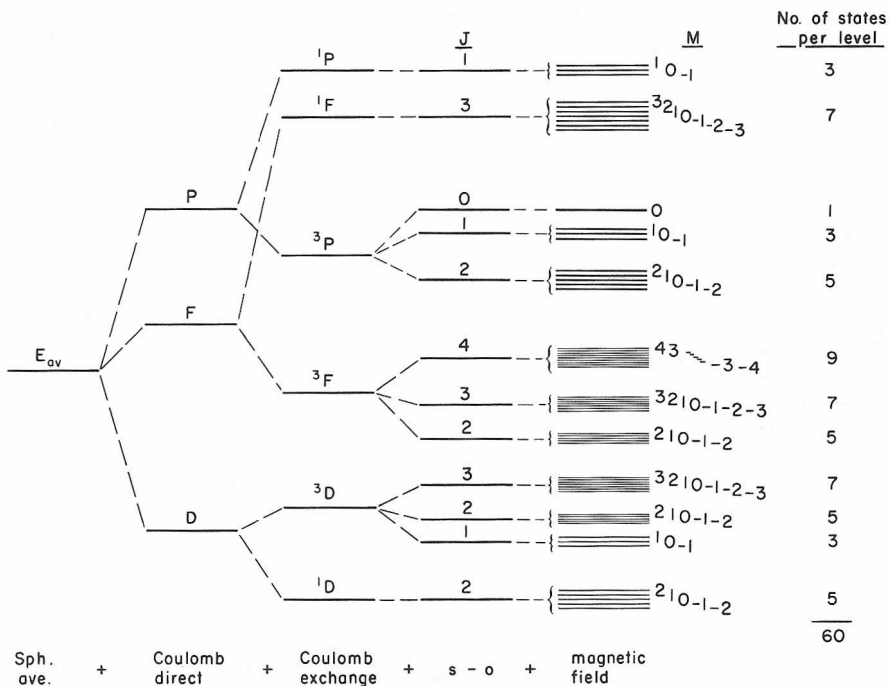
# pd-configuration LSJ-coupling and a magnetic field



Configuration	Term	Level	Sublevel
Central field	Repulsion	Spin-orbit	Mag. Field

## Numerical example for 2p3d in O V, energies in cm<sup>-1</sup>

$E(2p3d) = 701810$	Kinetic and central part of electrostatic
$\Delta E (P - D) = 8980$	Direct part of electrostatic repulsion
$\Delta E ({}^1F - {}^3F) = 15074$	Exchange part of electrostatic repulsion
$\Delta E ({}^3F_4 - {}^3F_3) = 235$	Spin-orbit magnetic energy
$\Delta E_{\text{mag}} (2 - 1) = 0,7$	Magnetic energy separation in a 1T field





## Selection rules E1 (electric dipole) transitions

$$\Delta J = 0, \pm 1 \text{ not } 0 \text{ to } 0$$

Only one electron can change orbital, i.e.  $n\ell$

$$\Delta \ell = \pm 1$$

$$\Delta M_J = 0, \pm 1 \text{ not } 0 \text{ to } 0 \text{ if } \Delta J = 0$$

If perfect LS-coupling, i.e. real states = basis states

$$\Delta S = 0$$

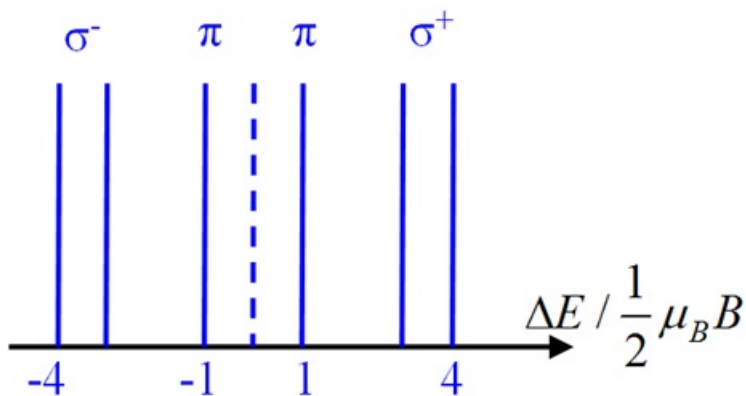
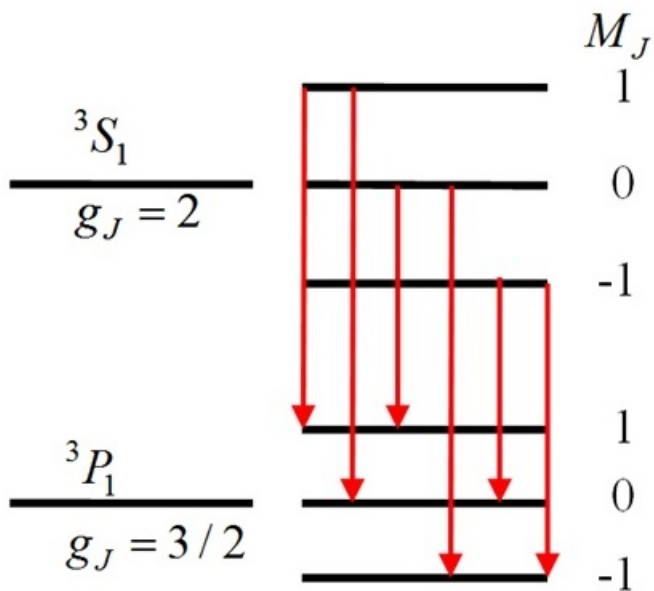
$$\Delta L = 0, \pm 1 \text{ not } 0 \text{ till } 0$$

## Preparatory exercises

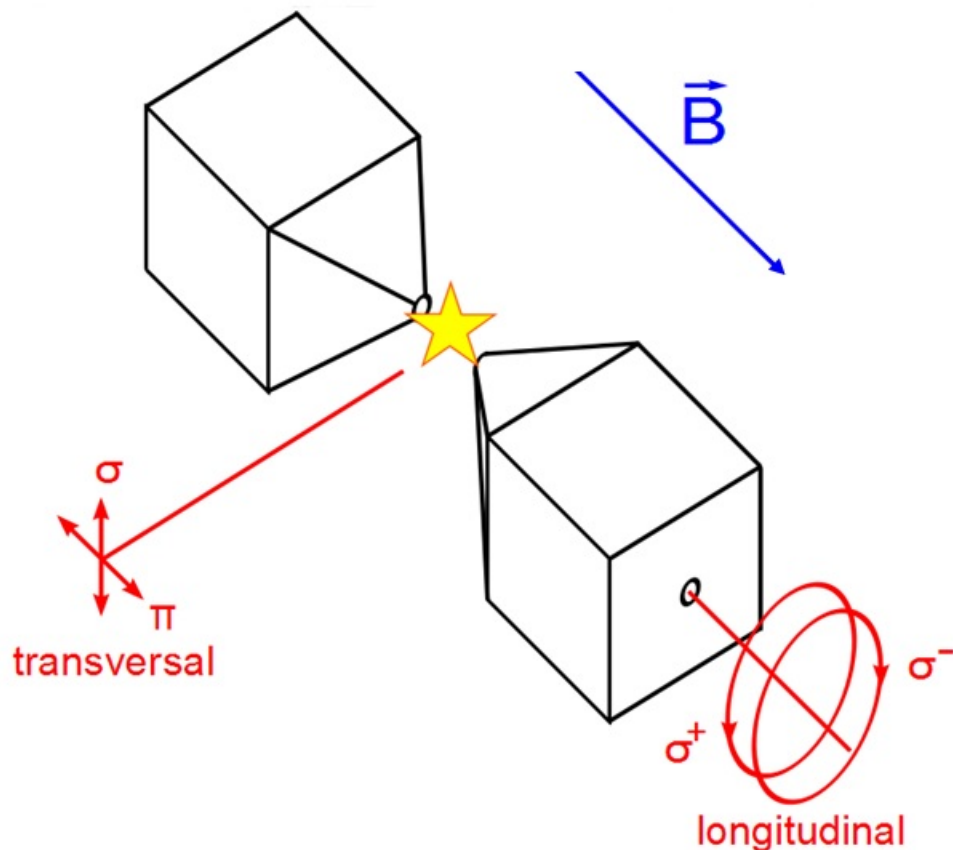
1. The ground configuration in neutral Cd is  $5s^2$  and the first excited configuration is  $5s5p$ . In the experiment you will, among other lines, see the transition  $5s5p\ ^3P - 5s6s\ ^3S$ .
  - a) Give the  $LS$  notation for the possible transitions between these terms.
  - b) You will find a green ( $\lambda = 508.582\text{ nm}$ ), a turquoise ( $\lambda = 479.992\text{ nm}$ ) and a blue ( $\lambda = 467.816\text{ nm}$ ) line. Which of the transitions above correspond to the different colors?
2. **This exercise is essential to the lab and a solution must be presented before you are allowed to continue.**

In the experiment you will study the transitions  $5s5p\ ^1P_1 - 5s5d\ ^1D_2$ ,  $5s5p\ ^3P_2 - 5s6s\ ^3S_1$ ,  $5s5p\ ^3P_1 - 5s6s\ ^3S_1$  and  $5s5p\ ^3P_0 - 5s6s\ ^3S_1$  in a weak magnetic field.

- a) Derive the Landé  $g$  factor assuming  $LS$  coupling for the levels involved in the four transitions.
  - b) Draw large and nice diagrams showing the different Zeeman components that each of the 4 lines (not levels) split into in the magnetic field in the manner of Figure 3.16 in Spectrophysics or Figure 5.13 in Atomic Physics. Thus, choose a relative energy scale, with zero at the energy of the transition without magnetic field, and show the splittings in units of  $\mu_B B$  along the  $x$ -axis. Let all Zeeman components have the same intensity.
  - c) What is the state of polarization of each of the components?
  - d) Which components do you expect to see in a direction parallel to the magnetic field?
3. Let  $B = 0.5\text{ T}$ . How large is the smallest splitting between the components derived above?
    - a) Expressed in eV
    - b) Expressed in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$
    - c) Expressed in nm
  4. Use Appendix 1 to answer the following. A Fabry-Perot interferometer operating in air have mirror surfaces with a reflectance of  $R = 0.85$  and separated by  $3.085\text{ mm}$ . We use a light source with a wavelength of  $500\text{ nm}$ .
    - a) What is the free spectral range expressed in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and in nm.
    - b) What is the line width expressed in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and nm.
    - c) Does the size of the rings increase or decrease in higher spectral orders?
  5. Use Appendix 2 to answer the following. What is the polarization of light when the electric field is described by the expressions below?
    - a)  $\vec{E} = E_0 \cdot (\vec{e}_x \cdot \sin(kz - \omega t) + \vec{e}_y \cdot \cos(kz - \omega t))$
    - b)  $\vec{E} = 5 \cdot \vec{e}_x \cdot \sin(kz - \omega t + \pi/2) + 3 \cdot \vec{e}_y \cdot \sin(kz - \omega t)$



# Zeeman effect and the polarization of light



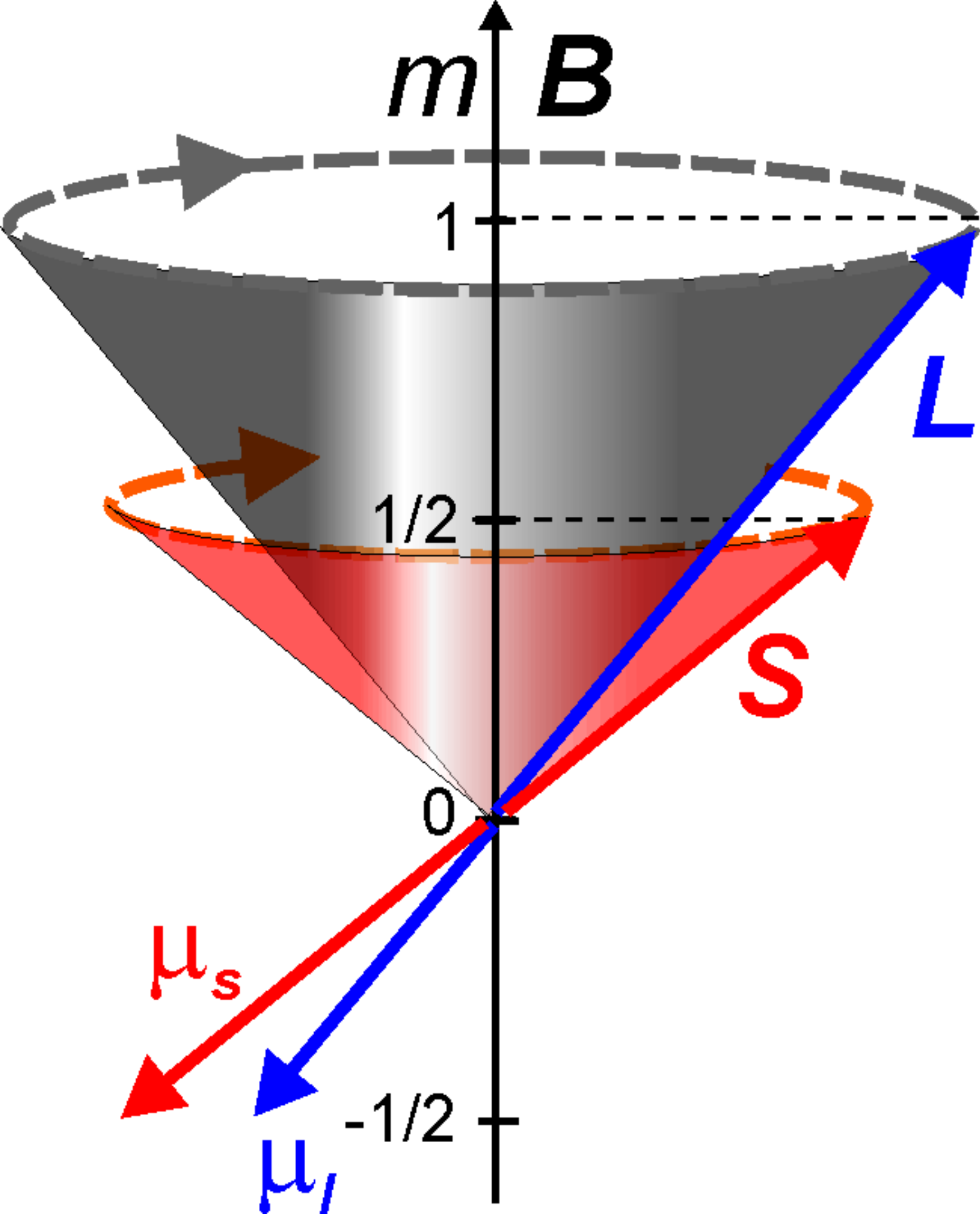
Viewed in absorption:  $\Delta M_J = \pm 1 \Rightarrow \sigma^\pm$ ,  $\Delta M_J = 0 \Rightarrow \pi$

**Magnetic effects on the spectrum from a white  
dwarf. Magnetic field about 6000 T!!  
(Paschen-Back effect)**



Balmer-beta

Balmer - alpha



# Zeeman vs. Paschen-Back in a $^3P$

Zeeman

$$E = E(^3P) +$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \beta_{LS} \cdot [J(J+1) - L(L+1) - S(S+1)] +$$

$$\mu_B \cdot B \cdot g_J \cdot M_J$$

$$\mu_B B = \frac{1}{10} \beta_{LS}$$

Paschen-Back

$$E = E(^3P) +$$

$$\mu_B \cdot B \cdot (M_L + 2M_S) +$$

$$\beta_{LS} \cdot M_L \cdot M_S$$

$$\mu_B B = 10 \cdot \beta_{LS}$$

