

# QUANTUM MECHANICS I

## PHYS 516

### Problem Set # 4

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**1. Stark Effect —  $N = 2$ :** A hydrogen atom finds itself in a constant uniform electric field  $\mathcal{E}$ .

- Compute the energy levels of the  $N = 2$  multiplet.
- What resonance frequency should be used to incite transitions among these levels if  $\mathcal{E} = 1000$  V/cm.? Give answer in Hz.

**2.  $E1$  Transitions and Polarization:** Transitions from the four levels of the Stark-split  $N = 2$  levels to the  $1S$  ground state can take place with polarization in the  $x$ -,  $y$ -, and  $z$ -directions.

**a.** Compute the transition probability amplitude for each of the three polarization directions from each of the four  $N = 2$  states. Organize your results in tabular form:

Polarization	State	*	*	*	*
$x$					
$y$					
$z$					

**3. Stark Effect —  $N = 3$ :** A hydrogen atom finds itself in a constant uniform electric field  $\mathcal{E}$ .

- Compute the energy levels of the  $N = 3$  multiplet.
- What resonance frequency should be used to incite transitions among these levels if  $\mathcal{E} = 1000$  V/cm.?