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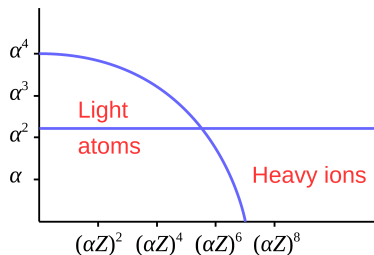


QED in the Furry picture

Highly-charged few-electron ions:

$$N_e \ll Z$$

N_e is the number of electrons,
 Z is the nuclear charge number



To **zeroth-order** approximation:

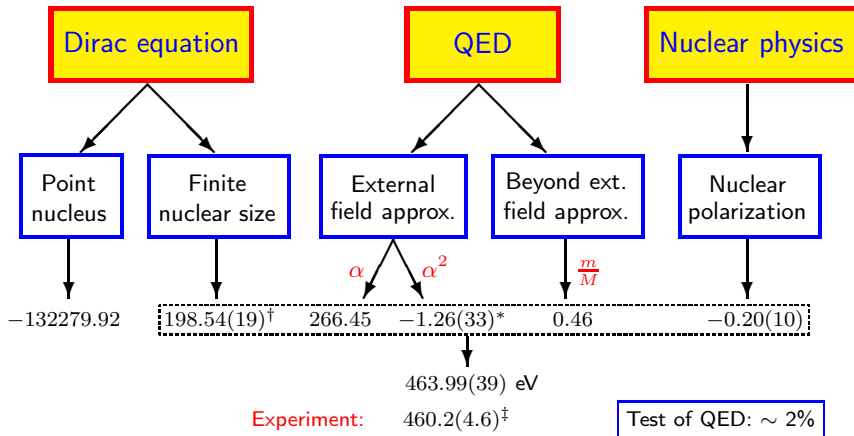
$$[-i\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \nabla + \beta m + V_{\text{nuc}}(\mathbf{r})] \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon_n \psi_n(\mathbf{r})$$

Interelectronic interaction and QED effects:

$\frac{\text{Interelectronic interaction}}{\text{Binding energy}} \sim \frac{1}{Z}$	$\frac{\text{QED}}{\text{Binding energy}} \sim \alpha(\alpha Z)^2$
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In uranium: $Z = 92$, $\alpha Z \approx 0.7$

Binding energy of H-like uranium, in eV



[†] Y. S. Kozhedub, O. V. Andreev, V. M. Shabaev *et al.*, PRA, 2008.

^{*} V. A. Yerokhin, P. Indelicato, and V. M. Shabaev, PRL, 2006.

[‡] A. Gumberidze, T. Stöhlker, D. Banaš *et al.*, PRL, 2005.

Cancellations in the isotope shifts:

- interelectronic-interaction effects;
- one- and two-electron QED corrections.

Two main contributions to the isotope shift:

- mass shift \Leftrightarrow nuclear recoil effect;
- field shift \Leftrightarrow nuclear size effect.

Measurements of the isotope shifts of:

- transition energies
 - B-like argon: R. S. Orts *et al.*, PRL, 2006;
 - Li-like neodymium: C. Brandau *et al.*, PRL, 2008.
- g -factor
 - Li-like calcium: F. Köhler *et al.*, Nat. Comm., 2016.

Why do we study isotope shifts?

- Access to QED beyond the Furry picture.
- Determination of the isotopic mass and radii differences.

QED theory for the nuclear recoil effect on g factor

Nuclear recoil contribution to the g factor for a state a :

- to first order in m/M ;
- to all orders in αZ ;
- to zeroth order in α .

$$\mathbf{A}^{\text{cl}}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathcal{H}[\mathbf{e}_z \times \mathbf{r}]/2$$

$$\Delta g = \frac{1}{\mu_B m_a} \frac{1}{M} \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathcal{H}} \langle \tilde{a} | [\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{D}(\omega) + e\mathbf{A}^{\text{cl}}] \right. \\ \left. \times \tilde{G}(\omega + \tilde{\varepsilon}_a) [\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{D}(\omega) + e\mathbf{A}^{\text{cl}}] | \tilde{a} \rangle \right]_{\mathcal{H}=0},$$

where tilde sign indicates that the quantity must be evaluated in presence of \mathcal{H} ,

$$D_k(\omega) = -4\pi\alpha Z\alpha_i D_{ik}(\omega),$$

$D_{ik}(\omega)$ is the transverse part of the photon propagator in the Coulomb gauge,

$\tilde{G}(\omega) = \sum_{\tilde{n}} \frac{|\tilde{n}\rangle\langle\tilde{n}|}{\omega - \tilde{\varepsilon}_n + i\eta(\tilde{\varepsilon}_n - \tilde{\varepsilon}_F)}$ is the Coulomb Green function.

One-electron contribution to the recoil effect on g factor

The one-electron contribution is represented as a sum $\Delta g = \Delta g_L + \Delta g_H$

$$\Delta g_L = \frac{1}{\mu_B \mathcal{H} m_a} \frac{1}{M} \langle \delta a | \left[\mathbf{p}^2 - \frac{\alpha Z}{r} \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \frac{(\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{r}) \mathbf{r}}{r^2} \right) \cdot \mathbf{p} \right] | a \rangle \\ - \frac{1}{m_a} \frac{m}{M} \langle a | \left([\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{p}]_z - \frac{\alpha Z}{2r} [\mathbf{r} \times \boldsymbol{\alpha}]_z \right) | a \rangle ,$$

$$\Delta g_H = \frac{1}{\mu_B \mathcal{H} m_a} \frac{1}{M} \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \left\{ \langle a | \mathbf{B}_\omega^{(-)} G(\omega + \varepsilon_a) (\delta V - \delta \varepsilon_a) G(\omega + \varepsilon_a) \mathbf{B}_\omega^{(+)} | a \rangle \right. \\ \left. + \langle \delta a | \mathbf{B}_\omega^{(-)} G(\omega + \varepsilon_a) \mathbf{B}_\omega^{(+)} | a \rangle + \langle a | \mathbf{B}_\omega^{(-)} G(\omega + \varepsilon_a) \mathbf{B}_\omega^{(+)} | \delta a \rangle \right\}$$

where

$$\delta V(\mathbf{r}) = -e\boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{A}^{\text{cl}}(\mathbf{r}) \quad \text{and} \quad |\delta a\rangle = \sum_{n, \varepsilon_n \neq \varepsilon_a} |n\rangle \langle n | \delta V | a \rangle (\varepsilon_a - \varepsilon_n)^{-1},$$

$$\mathbf{B}_\omega^{(\pm)} = \mathbf{D}(\omega) \pm [\mathbf{p}, V] / (\omega + i0),$$

$$G(\omega) = \sum_n \frac{|n\rangle \langle n|}{\omega - \varepsilon_n (1 - i0)} \text{ is the Coulomb Green function.}$$

Low-order one-electron term Δg_L

For a **point-charge nucleus**, the low-order one-electron term Δg_L can be evaluated **analytically**,

$$\Delta g_L = -\frac{m}{M} \frac{2\kappa^2 \varepsilon^2 + \kappa m \varepsilon - m^2}{2m^2 j(j+1)}.$$

To **leading order** in αZ :

$$\Delta g_L = -\frac{m}{M} \frac{1}{j(j+1)} \left[\kappa^2 + \frac{\kappa}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - \left(\kappa^2 + \frac{\kappa}{4} \right) \frac{(\alpha Z)^2}{n^2} + \dots \right].$$

For an **S state** ($\kappa = -1$), this term is of **pure relativistic origin**:

$$\Delta g_L = \frac{m}{M} \frac{(\alpha Z)^2}{n^2} + \dots$$

Isotope shift of the g factor of Li-like ions

F. Köhler *et al.*, Nat. Commun., 2016.

Effect	Contribution [$\Delta g \times 10^9$]
One-electron non-QED nuclear recoil	12.240
Two-electron non-QED nuclear recoil	-2.051(25)
QED nuclear recoil: $\sim m/M$	0.123
QED nuclear recoil: $\sim \alpha(m/M)$	-0.009(1)
Finite nuclear size	0.004(10)
Total theory	10.305(27)
Experiment	11.70(1.39)

Individual contributions to the shift $\Delta g = g(^{40}\text{Ca}^{17+}) - g(^{48}\text{Ca}^{17+})$

The calculation of **two-electron non-QED nuclear recoil effect** is based on the extrapolation of the results from [Z.-C. Yan, PRL, 2001; JPB, 2002] which were obtained within the **two-component approach** [R. A. Hegstrom, PRA, 1975]. 8

Effective two-component Hamiltonian (for S states)

R. A. Hegstrom, PRA, 1973; PRA, 1975.

The Hamiltonian for a many-particle system in a homogeneous magnetic field [anomalous moments, g_e + nuclear motion]

Magnetic-field-dependent spin-dependent part of the Hegstrom's Hamiltonian:

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \mu_B \mathcal{H} \left\{ g_e \sum_i s_{iz} + \frac{1}{3}(1 - g_e)\alpha \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\mathbf{r}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}}{r_{ij}^3} s_{iz} - \frac{1}{3}g_e\alpha \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\mathbf{r}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_{ij}}{r_{ij}^3} s_{jz} \right. \\ \left. + \left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{g_e}{6} \right) \sum_i \nabla_i^2 s_{iz} - \frac{\alpha Z}{3}(1 - g_e) \sum_i \frac{1}{r_i} s_{iz} - \frac{1}{3}\alpha Z \frac{m}{M} g_e \sum_i \frac{1}{r_i} s_{iz} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{3}\alpha Z \frac{m}{M} g_e \sum_{i < j} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_j}{r_i^3} s_{iz} + \frac{\mathbf{r}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_j}{r_j^3} s_{jz} \right) \right\}.$$

The g factor for lithium-like ions in an S state ($J = 1/2$):

$$g = \frac{\langle H_{\text{eff}} \rangle}{\mu_B \mathcal{H} J}.$$

Recoil effect on the g factor within the Breit approximation

Within the **lowest-order relativistic (Breit)** approximation

- Effective **non-magnetic recoil** operator (the combined interaction):

- $$H_M = \frac{1}{2M} \sum_{i,k} \left[\mathbf{p}_i \cdot \mathbf{p}_k - \frac{\alpha Z}{r_i} \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_i + \frac{(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}_i) \mathbf{r}_i}{r_i^2} \right) \cdot \mathbf{p}_k \right]$$

- $$\delta V(\mathbf{r}) = -e\alpha \cdot \mathbf{A}^{\text{cl}}(\mathbf{r})$$

- Effective **magnetic recoil** operator:

- $$H_M^{\text{magn}} = -\mu_B \mathcal{H} \frac{m}{M} \sum_{i,k} \left\{ [\mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{p}_k] - \frac{\alpha Z}{2r_k} \left[\mathbf{r}_i \times \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_k + \frac{(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_k \cdot \mathbf{r}_k) \mathbf{r}_k}{r_k^2} \right) \right] \right\}$$

To take into account the **interelectronic-interaction effects**: DCB Hamiltonian

- $$H_{\text{DCB}} = \Lambda^{(+)} \left[\sum_i h_i^{\text{D}} + \sum_{i < k} V_{ik} \right] \Lambda^{(+)}, \quad \text{where}$$

$$V_{ik} = \frac{\alpha}{r_{ik}} - \alpha \left[\frac{\boldsymbol{\alpha}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}_k}{r_{ik}} + \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\alpha}_i \cdot \nabla_i) (\boldsymbol{\alpha}_k \cdot \nabla_k) r_{ik} \right]$$

The $1/Z$ recoil contribution to the g factor

Nuclear recoil correction to the g factor to lowest order relativistic approximation

$$\Delta g = \frac{m}{M}(\alpha Z)^2 \left(A + \frac{B}{Z} + \frac{C}{Z^2} + \dots \right)$$

From the **4-C approach**: PT with H_M , H_M^{magn} , and H_{DCB} including δV .

$$B_{4\text{-C}} = -0.5155(2).$$

From the **2-C approach**: PT with H_{eff} and α/r .

$$B_{2\text{-C}} = -0.8603.$$

Omitted term for **2-C** approach: $-\mu_B \mathcal{H} \frac{m}{M} \sum_{i,k} [\mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{p}_k]$, SO or S-other-O, and α/r .

$$\Delta B_{2\text{-C}} = 0.3447.$$

Total 2-C result:

$$B_{2\text{-C}}^{\text{tot}} = B_{2\text{-C}} + \Delta B_{2\text{-C}} = -0.5156.$$

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Two-electron non-QED nuclear recoil, 4-C	-1.302(12)
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Finite nuclear size	0.004(10)
Total theory, 2-C	10.305(27)
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Specific difference

The QED recoil effect for S states

$$\Delta g_{\text{H}}^{(ns)} = \frac{m}{M} \frac{(\alpha Z)^5}{n^3} P^{(ns)}(\alpha Z).$$

The uncertainty due to the nuclear size and polarization effects masks the recoil effect for heavy ions.

The specific differences between different ions of the same isotope

- HFS: V. M. Shabaev *et al.*, PRL, 2001.

$$\Delta E' = \Delta E_{(1s)^2 2s} - \xi_{\text{HFS}} \Delta E_{1s}.$$

- g factor: V. M. Shabaev *et al.*, PRA, 2002.

$$g' = g_{(1s)^2 2s} - \xi_g g_{1s}.$$

The parameters ξ must be chosen to cancel the nuclear size corrections.

Specific difference of the g -factor values for ^{208}Pb

The **specific difference** between the g factors of Li- and H-like ions

$$g' = g_{(1s)^2 2s} - \xi_g g_{1s}.$$

For lead ($Z = 82$), one obtains $\xi_g = 0.1670264$.

A. V. Malyshev *et al.*, JETP Lett., 2017.

Effect	Contribution [$g' \times 10^9$]
Nuclear shape variation	~ 1
Nuclear radius dependence	~ 0.1
Nuclear polarization	$-0.13(6)$
QED recoil	8.7

Individual contributions to the specific difference between the g factors of Li- and H-like lead

Tests of the QED recoil effect on the g factor of heavy ions are **possible** on a **few-percent level**.

Summary and Outlook

Main results:

- The **most precise** to-date theoretical values for the **recoil effect on the g factor** of Li-like ions have been obtained.
- The **discrepancy** was found between the present result for the two-electron contribution and its previous evaluation within the 2-C approach. The **reason** of the discrepancy is **revealed**.
- The **QED recoil effect** on the g factor can be **probed** in experiments with **heavy ions** studying the **specific difference** of the g factors of H- and Li-like ions.

Future plans:

- extension to **B-like** ions [the **QED recoil** effect behaves as $(\alpha Z)^3$].
- further **improvement** of the bound-state **QED calculations** of the **g factor** of highly charged ions.

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