

If spin multiplicity $(2s+1)$ is shown with spectroscopic symbol 'L', then term is obtained

$$\text{Now Term} = L^{2s+1} = L^{s+1}$$

Total orbital angular momentum 'L' and Total spin angular momentum 'S' these L and S interact to give the resultant angular momentum. This resultant angular momentum is denoted by symbol 'J'.

And such interaction between orbital angular momentum & spin angular momentum is known as (L-S) coupling or (R-S) coupling.

The 'J' can have all values from $(L-S)$ to $(L+S)$

$$\text{i.e. } J = (L-S) \text{ to } (L+S)$$

For more than half filled orbital,

'J' can have $[L+S]$ values

and for less than half filled orbitals,

'J' can have $[L-S]$ values in ground state.

Since 'J' is the total angular momentum (i.e. resultant of angular momentums, L & S)

The value of 'J' can have only positive value.

or we can say the value of J is always positive but never negative.

If 'J' value is shown 'term', it is called spectroscopic energy state or simply state.

$$\text{Energy state or state} = L^{2s+1} J$$

possible state for a system in p and d system.

A system can have many sets of quantum or Russel-Saunders's states.

Out of which, some are singlets and rest are triplets.

In a singlet state, spins are paired, it means the magnetic quantum numbers are the same for two electrons. It is given below.

$$\text{for an orbital } \boxed{\uparrow\downarrow}, \quad S = \overset{\text{Total spin of orbital}}{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

Hence Spin multiplicity $(2S+1)$.

$$= 2 \times 0 + 1$$

$$= 0 + 1$$

$$= 1 \text{ (Singlet)}$$

But, in a triplet state,

spins are parallel

i.e. magnetic quantum numbers are different for two electrons.

e.g.

for $\boxed{\uparrow}$ and $\boxed{\uparrow}$ orbitals

$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$\therefore 2S+1 = 2 \times 1 + 1 = 3 \text{ (Triplet)}$$

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Examples:- The p^2 system has 15 states:-

Now
$$\frac{L_1 L_2}{L_1 L_2 - 2} = \frac{L_1 L_2}{L_1 L_2} = \frac{2 \cdot 5 \cdot L_1}{2 \cdot 1 \cdot L_2} = 15 \text{ states}$$

The set with the highest L value is given as:-



$\therefore L = 2 (D),$
 $S = 0$

$\therefore 2S + 1 = 2 \times 0 + 1 = 0 + 1 = 1 \text{ (Singlet)}$

$\therefore \text{Term} = {}^1D$

Similarly, 3P & 1S are other terms for the p^2 system:-

Set	L	S	$2S + 1$	Term	No. of states			
-1 0 +1	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓			
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