

## Generalizing PT.

$$\underline{H_0 |n^{(0)}\rangle} = \underline{E_n^{(0)} |n^{(0)}\rangle} \leftarrow \text{unperturbed problem}$$

$$\underline{H_0 + \lambda H' |n\rangle} = \underline{E_n |n\rangle} \leftarrow \text{problem we want to solve}$$

$$E_n = E_n^{(0)} + \lambda E_n^{(1)} + \lambda^2 E_n^{(2)} + \dots$$

$$|n\rangle = |n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |n^{(1)}\rangle + \lambda^2 |n^{(2)}\rangle + \dots$$

$$\lambda^0: H_0 |n^{(0)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^1: H_0 |n^{(1)}\rangle + H' |n^{(0)}\rangle \\ = E_n^{(0)} |n^{(1)}\rangle + E_n^{(1)} |n^{(0)}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^2: H_0 |n^{(2)}\rangle + H' |n^{(1)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |n^{(2)}\rangle \\ + E_n^{(1)} |n^{(1)}\rangle + E_n^{(2)} |n^{(0)}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

etc.

$$|n^{(i)}\rangle$$

$$\lambda^0: \underline{(H_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |n^{(0)}\rangle} = 0 \quad \text{original problem}$$

$$\lambda^1: \underline{(H_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |n^{(1)}\rangle} = \underline{(E_n^{(1)} - H')} |n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$\lambda^2: \underline{(H_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |n^{(2)}\rangle} = \underline{(E_n^{(1)} - H')} |n^{(1)}\rangle + \underline{E_n^{(2)} |n^{(0)}\rangle}$$

## First order corrections

$$E_n^{(1)} = H'_{nn} = \langle n^{(0)} | H' | n^{(0)} \rangle \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{diagonal} \\ H' \end{array}$$

$$|n^{(1)}\rangle = \sum_{m \neq n} \frac{H'_{mn}}{\underbrace{(E_n^{(0)} - E_m^{(0)})}_{C_m^{(1)}}} |m^{(0)}\rangle \quad \leftarrow \text{off-diag}$$

$$|n^{(1)}\rangle = \sum_{m \neq n} \frac{\langle m^{(0)} | H' | n^{(0)} \rangle}{(E_n^{(0)} - E_m^{(0)})} |m^{(0)}\rangle$$

## Second order correction

$$E_n^{(2)} = \sum_{m \neq n} \frac{|H'_{mn}|^2}{(E_n^{(0)} - E_m^{(0)})} \quad \leftarrow \text{off diag}$$

$$E_n^{(2)} = \sum_{m \neq n} \frac{|\langle m^{(0)} | H' | n^{(0)} \rangle|^2}{(E_n^{(0)} - E_m^{(0)})}$$

Notes: •  $H_0 |n^{(0)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |n^{(0)}\rangle$

has to be able to solve

• Assumes each correction

is smaller than  $H^0$

⇒ preferable small contributions converge

- $E_n^{(0)} - E_m^{(0)} = 0$  ?

won't work.

- For most classes,

$$|n^{(1)}\rangle \quad E_n^{(1)} \approx E_n^{(2)}$$

Example:  $\vec{B}_0 = B_0 \hat{z}$      $\vec{B}_2 = B_2 \hat{x}$

$$B_0 \gg B_2$$

$$H_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \hbar\omega_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\hbar\omega_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$E_+^{(0)} = \hbar\omega_0 \quad E_0^{(0)} = 0 \quad E_-^{(0)} = -\hbar\omega_0$$

$$H' = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{\hbar\omega_2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{\hbar\omega_2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{\hbar\omega_2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & \frac{\hbar\omega_2}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \omega_2 S_x$$

$$E_n^{(1)} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad H'_{nn} = \langle n^{(0)} | H' | n^{(0)} \rangle$$