

Griffiths

9.11. Energy gap between  $2S_{1/2}$ ,  $2P_{1/2}$  due to Lamb shift.

$$k(n,0) \text{ vs. } \left\{ k(n,l) \pm \frac{1}{\pi(l \pm \frac{1}{2})(l \pm \frac{1}{2})} \right\}$$

$$= 13.7 \text{ vs. } 0.05 \pm \frac{1}{\pi(3/2)} \approx -0.15$$

$\Rightarrow$  The energy split is approximately  $\frac{\alpha^5 mc^2 (13)}{4n^3}$ .

$$\approx \frac{1}{(13.7)^5} (0.5 \times 10^6 \text{ eV}) \frac{(13)}{32}$$

$$\approx 2 \times 10^{-11} \times 0.2 \times 10^6 \text{ eV} \approx \boxed{4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}}$$

$$E = hf, \quad h = 4.14 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eVs}$$

$$f = \frac{4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}}{4.14 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eVs}} \approx 10^9 \text{ s}^{-1} \approx 10^3 \text{ MHz}$$

This is consistent with experiment data.