

# TB

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## Tight-Binding formalism

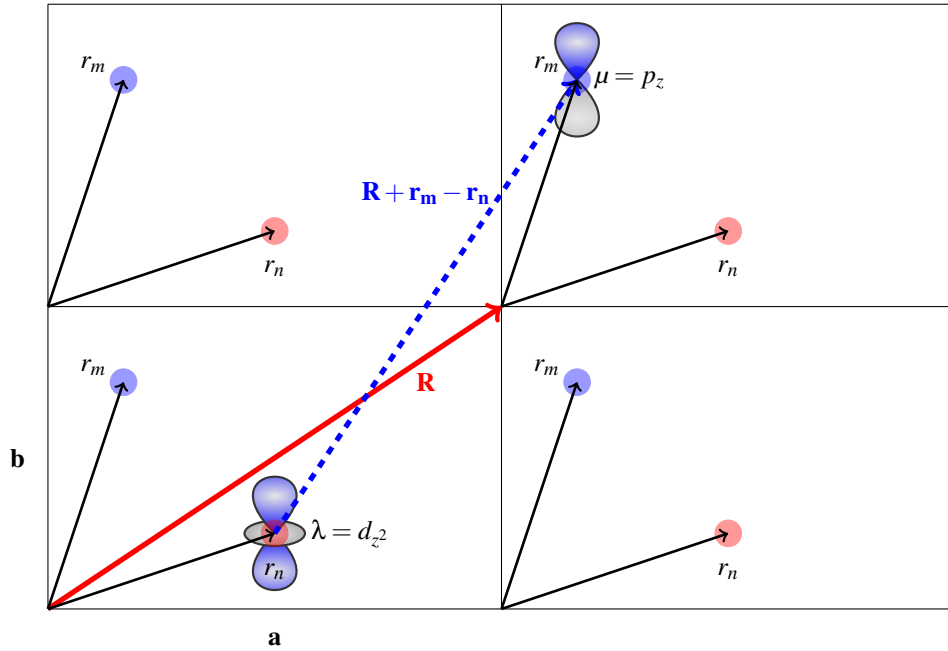


Figure 1: geometry of the unit-cell and its periodicity

## 1 notations

### 1.1 Geometry

Born von Karman (BVK) conditions are used. BVK:  $L_a = N_a \times a$ ,  $L_b = N_b \times b$ ,  $L_c = N_c \times c$ .

$N = N_a \times N_b \times N_c$ : Total number of cells.

Periodicity along **a**, **b** et **c**. volume of the unit-cell  $\omega = \mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})$

$$\mathbf{R} = n_a \mathbf{a} + n_b \mathbf{b} + n_c \mathbf{c}.$$

Reciprocal vectors  $\mathbf{a}^*$ ,  $\mathbf{b}^*$  and  $\mathbf{c}^*$ . volume of Brillouin zone  $\omega^* = \frac{2\pi^3}{\omega}$

$$\mathbf{g} = h\mathbf{a}^* + k\mathbf{b}^* + l\mathbf{c}^*.$$

scalar product:  $\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{g} = 2\pi(n_a h + n_b k + n_c l)$

If  $\mathbf{R} \in$  Bravais lattice and  $\mathbf{g} \in$  Reciprocal lattice then  $\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{g} = 2\pi n \Rightarrow e^{i\mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{g}} = 1$

$n_{at}$ : number of atoms in the unit-cell.

$\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{R}'$ : periodic vectors of the Bravais lattice

$\mathbf{r}_n, \mathbf{r}_m$ : position of the atoms in the unit-cell  $n = 1 \dots, n_{at}$ .

## 1.2 Orbitals

$\lambda, \mu, \nu$ : orbitals  $|s\rangle, |p_x\rangle, |p_y\rangle, |p_z\rangle, |d_{xy}\rangle, |d_{yz}\rangle, |d_{zx}\rangle, |d_{x^2-y^2}\rangle, |d_{3z^2-r^2}\rangle$ .  $l$  orbitals.  
Atomic wave functions of orbital  $\lambda$  centered on site  $(R, n)$ .

$$\langle \mathbf{r} | R, n, \lambda \rangle = \phi_\lambda(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R} - \mathbf{r}_n)$$

## 1.3 Hamiltonian

$\hat{H}$  Hamiltonian operator.

$H$  Hamiltonian matrix:

$$H_{R,n,R',m}^{\lambda,\mu} = \langle R, n, \lambda | \hat{H} | R', m, \mu \rangle \quad ; \quad S_{R,n,R',m}^{\lambda,\mu} = \langle R, n, \lambda | \hat{I} | R', m, \mu \rangle$$

## 2 Bloch Theorem

### 2.1 notations

$|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle$  Bloch function of index  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha = 1, \dots, n_{\text{at}} \times l$ ) and wave-vector  $\mathbf{k} \in 1\text{BZ}$

$\mathbf{k} = k_a \mathbf{a}^* + k_b \mathbf{b}^* + k_c \mathbf{c}^* \in 1\text{BZ}$   $k_{i=a,b,c} = (2 \times n_i - N_i - 1) / (2N_i)$  ( $n_i = 1, \dots, N_i$ ).

We recall some relations:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} = \delta_{\mathbf{k}} \quad ; \quad \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{R}'} e^{i(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}') \cdot (\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}')} = \delta_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'}$$

### 2.2 Bloch Functions

Expansion of wave functions on atomic orbitals

$$|\Psi_\alpha\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda} C_{Rn\lambda}^\alpha |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda\rangle$$

According to Bloch theorem the function solutions of the Shrodinger equations can be labeled by two indices  $\alpha, \mathbf{k}$ :

$$C_{R,n\lambda}^\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_n} C_{n\lambda}^\alpha(\mathbf{k})$$

So:

$$|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle = \sum_{n, \lambda} C_{n\lambda}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_n}}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda\rangle$$

Introducing a TB basis adapted to periodicity  $|n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}\rangle$  one gets:

$$|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle = \sum_{n, \lambda} C_{n\lambda}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) |n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad |n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}\rangle = \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_n}}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda\rangle$$

The closure relation reads

$$\sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} |\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle \langle \alpha, \mathbf{k}| = \hat{I}$$

And the Hamiltonian:

$$\sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} |\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle \varepsilon_\alpha(\mathbf{k}) \langle \alpha, \mathbf{k}| = \hat{H}$$

If the Bloch coefficient  $C_{n\lambda}^\alpha(\mathbf{k})$  are normalized correctly:

$$\langle \alpha, \mathbf{k} | \beta, \mathbf{k} \rangle = \sum_{n\lambda, m\mu} (C_{n\lambda}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}))^* S_{a,b}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^\beta(\mathbf{k}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \forall \mathbf{k}$$

### 3 Schrödinger Equation

Schrödinger Equation:

$$\hat{H}|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle = \varepsilon_\alpha(\mathbf{k})|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle$$

Generalized eigenvalue problem:.

$$\begin{aligned} H(\mathbf{k})C^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) &= \varepsilon_\alpha(\mathbf{k})S(\mathbf{k})C^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) \\ H_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) &= \langle n, \lambda, \mathbf{k} | \hat{H} | m, \mu, \mathbf{k} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}_n)} \langle 0, n, \lambda | \hat{H} | \mathbf{R}, m, \mu \rangle \\ S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) &= \langle n, \lambda, \mathbf{k} | \hat{I} | m, \mu, \mathbf{k} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}_n)} \langle 0, n, \lambda | \hat{I} | \mathbf{R}, m, \mu \rangle \\ \begin{pmatrix} (\hat{H}_{11}) & \cdots & (\hat{H}_{1m}) & \cdots & (\hat{H}_{1n_{\text{at}}}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & & & \\ (\hat{H}_{n1}) & \cdots & (\hat{H}_{nm}) & \cdots & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ (\hat{H}_{n_{\text{at}}1}) & & & & (\hat{H}_{n_{\text{at}},n_{\text{at}}}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (C_1^\alpha) \\ \vdots \\ (C_a^\alpha) \\ \vdots \\ (C_{n_a}^\alpha) \end{pmatrix} &= \varepsilon_\alpha(\mathbf{k}) \begin{pmatrix} (S_{11}) & \cdots & (S_{1b}) & \cdots & (S_{1n_a}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & & & \\ (S_{a1}) & \cdots & (S_{ab}) & \cdots & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & \\ (S_{n_a1}) & & & & (S_{n_a n_a}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (C_1^\alpha) \\ \vdots \\ (C_a^\alpha) \\ \vdots \\ (C_{n_a}^\alpha) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$(H_{nm})$  matrix  $l \times l$  with  $(H_{nm})_{\lambda,\mu} = H_{nm}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k})$ .  $H(\mathbf{k})$  matrix of size  $(ln_{\text{at}}) \times (ln_{\text{at}})$ .

The wave-vector should be normalized:

$$\sum_{n\lambda, m\mu} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^\beta(\mathbf{k}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \forall \mathbf{k}$$

In matrix form:

$${}^t C^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) S(\mathbf{k}) C^\beta(\mathbf{k}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \forall \mathbf{k}$$

Setting  $\tilde{C}^\alpha = S(\mathbf{k})C^\alpha(\mathbf{k})$ , one gets:

$${}^t C^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}^\beta(\mathbf{k}) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \forall \mathbf{k}$$

### 4 Remarks on non-orthogonal basis in Quantum Mechanics

#### 4.1 Dual basis

Let's ignore  $\lambda$  and  $\mathbf{k}$  indices. One consider a non-orthogonal basis  $|a\rangle$ . One defines its dual  $|\tilde{a}\rangle$

$$|\tilde{a}\rangle = \sum_b (S^{-1})_{a,b} |b\rangle$$

the following orthogonality relation holds

$$\langle \tilde{b} | a \rangle = \delta_{a,b}$$

And two closure relations:

$$\sum_a |\tilde{a}\rangle \langle a| = \hat{I} \quad ; \quad \sum_a |a\rangle \langle \tilde{a}| = \hat{I}$$

The eigenstates  $|\alpha\rangle$  can be decomposed on the  $|a\rangle$  basis:

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_a C_a^\alpha |a\rangle$$

And the coefficient  $C_a^\alpha$  are obtained:

$$C_a^\alpha = \langle \tilde{a} | \alpha \rangle$$

## 4.2 Matrix expression of an operator in a non-orthogonal basis

Let  $\hat{A}$  be an operator. One can define 4 different matrices:  $A$ ,  $\tilde{A}$ ,  $\tilde{A}'$ , and  $\bar{A}$ :

$$A_{ab} = \langle a | \hat{A} | b \rangle \quad ; \quad \tilde{A}_{ab} = \langle \tilde{a} | \hat{A} | b \rangle \quad ; \quad \tilde{A}'_{ab} = \langle a | \hat{A} | \tilde{b} \rangle \quad ; \quad \bar{A}_{ab} = \langle \tilde{a} | \hat{A} | \tilde{b} \rangle$$

One then easily shows that

$$\hat{A} | b \rangle = \sum_a \tilde{A}_{ab} | a \rangle \quad ; \quad \hat{A} | \tilde{b} \rangle = \sum_a \tilde{A}'_{ab} | \tilde{a} \rangle$$

and

$$\hat{A} = \sum_{ab} | a \rangle \bar{A}_{ab} \langle b |$$

The following matrix relations can be easily derived:

$$A = S \bar{A} S \quad ; \quad \bar{A} = S^{-1} A S^{-1} \quad ; \quad \tilde{A} = S^{-1} A = \bar{A} S \quad ; \quad \tilde{A}' = A S^{-1} = S \bar{A}$$

$A$  and  $\bar{A}$  are Hermitian contrary to  $\tilde{A}$  et  $\tilde{A}'$ . However  $\tilde{A}$  et  $\tilde{A}'$  are the matrix representation of the linear operator in basis  $|a\rangle$  and  $|\tilde{a}\rangle$  respectively. Hence, they have the property of composition of operators:

$$\widetilde{AB} = \tilde{A} \tilde{B} \quad \text{and} \quad \widetilde{AB}' = \tilde{A}' \tilde{B}'$$

Let us also note that the trace of the operator  $\hat{A}$  is obtained from the trace of  $\tilde{A}$  or  $\tilde{A}'$  matrix:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{A}) = \text{Tr}(\tilde{A}) = \text{Tr}(\tilde{A}') = \sum_a \tilde{A}_{aa} = \sum_a \tilde{A}'_{aa}$$

However the trace of the operator is NOT the trace of  $A$  or  $\bar{A}$

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{A}) = \text{Tr}(S^{-1} A) = \text{Tr}(A S^{-1}) = \text{Tr}(\bar{A} S) = \text{Tr}(S \bar{A})$$

Let us consider an operator of the form  $\hat{A} = F(\hat{H})^1$ .  $\hat{H}$  can be diagonalized in eigen-state basis  $|\alpha\rangle$ :

$$\hat{A} = \sum_{\alpha} |\alpha\rangle F(\epsilon_{\alpha}) \langle \alpha|$$

Using the expression of  $|\alpha\rangle$  in the  $|a\rangle$  basis:

$$|\alpha\rangle = \sum_a C_a^{\alpha} |a\rangle$$

we get

$$\hat{A} = \sum_{ab} |a\rangle \bar{A}_{ab} \langle b| \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{A}_{ab} = \sum_{\alpha} F(\epsilon_{\alpha}) C_a^{\alpha} (C_b^{\alpha})^*$$

Let's consider two important operator, the density operator  $\hat{\rho} = f(\hat{H})$  and the Green function operator  $\hat{G}(z) = (z\hat{I} - \hat{H})^{-1}$ :

$$\bar{\rho}_{ab} = \sum_{\alpha} f(\epsilon_{\alpha}) C_a^{\alpha} (C_b^{\alpha})^*$$

And for  $\hat{G}(z)$  using the identity  $(z\hat{I} - \hat{H})\hat{G}(z) = \hat{I}$  we have:

$$\langle a | (z\hat{I} - \hat{H}) \sum_b |b\rangle \langle \tilde{b}| \hat{G}(z) | \tilde{c} \rangle = \delta_{a,c}$$

Hence we have the following matrix relation

$$(zS - H)\tilde{G}(z) = Id$$

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<sup>1</sup>if  $F$  is the Fermi function then  $\hat{A}$  the density operator  $\hat{\rho}$ , or if  $F(x) = 1/(z-x)$  then  $\hat{A}$  is the Green function  $G(z)$ , or if Dirac  $F(x) = \delta(E-x)$  then we get the density of states

### 4.3 Tensorial notation

The tensorial can be very useful in some cases:

$$|\phi_a\rangle = |a\rangle \quad ; \quad |\phi^a\rangle = |\bar{a}\rangle$$

we then have:

$$A_{ab} = \langle \phi_a | \hat{A} | \phi_b \rangle = A_{ab} \quad ; \quad A^{ab} = \langle \phi^a | \hat{A} | \phi^b \rangle = \bar{A}_{ab} \quad ; \quad A^a_b = \langle \phi^a | \hat{A} | \phi_b \rangle = \tilde{A}_{ab} \quad ; \quad A_a^b = \langle \phi_a | \hat{A} | \phi^b \rangle = (G A b_a)^*$$

And for the overlaps:

$$I_{ab} = \langle \phi_a | \hat{I} | \phi_b \rangle = S_{ab} \quad ; \quad I^{ab} = \langle \phi^a | \hat{I} | \phi^b \rangle = (S^{-1})_{ab} \quad ; \quad I^a_b = \langle \phi^a | \hat{I} | \phi_b \rangle = \delta_b^a \quad ; \quad I_a^b = \langle \phi_a | \hat{I} | \phi^b \rangle = \delta_a^b$$

With Einstein convention the closure relations reads:

$$|\phi^a\rangle \langle \phi_a| = \hat{I} \quad ; \quad |\phi_a\rangle \langle \phi^a| = \hat{I}$$

The trace of operator  $\hat{A}$  reads:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{A}) = \langle \phi^a | \hat{A} | \phi_a \rangle = A^a_a = \langle \phi_a | \hat{A} | \phi^a \rangle = A_a^a$$

The trace of the product of two operators  $\hat{A}.\hat{B}$

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{A}.\hat{B}) = \langle \phi_a | \hat{A}.\hat{B} | \phi^a \rangle = \langle \phi_a | \hat{A} | \phi_b \rangle \langle \phi^b | \hat{B} | \phi^a \rangle = A_{ab} B^{ba}$$

## 5 Definition of local quantities in a non-orthogonal basis

### 5.1 Definition of operators

Let's consider the density operator  $\hat{\rho} = f(\hat{H})^2$  and the density operator  $\hat{D}(E) = \delta(E - \hat{H})$ :

$$\hat{\rho} = \sum_{\alpha} |\alpha\rangle f_{\alpha} \langle \alpha| \quad ; \quad \hat{D}(E) = \sum_{\alpha} |\alpha\rangle \delta(E - \epsilon_{\alpha}) \langle \alpha|$$

The trace of  $\hat{\rho}$  is equal to the number of electrons:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = N_e = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(E) D(E) dE = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}$$

while the trace of  $\hat{D}(E)$  is the density of states:

$$D(E) = \text{Tr}(\hat{D}(E)) = \sum_{\alpha} \delta(E - \epsilon_{\alpha})$$

Let's write the trace of the operator with the TB coefficients  $|\alpha\rangle = \sum_a C_a^{\alpha} |a\rangle$ .

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_a \sum_{\alpha} \langle \bar{a} | \alpha \rangle f_{\alpha} \langle \alpha | a \rangle = \left[ \sum_{ab} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} C_a^{\alpha} (C_b^{\alpha})^* \right) S_{a,b} \right] = \text{Tr}(\bar{\rho} S)$$

One recognizes the general result obtained previously for the trace of an operator applied to  $\hat{\rho} = f(\hat{H})$  and its matricial expression  $\bar{\rho}$

$$\bar{\rho}_{ab} = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} C_a^{\alpha} (C_b^{\alpha})^*$$

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<sup>2</sup> $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\frac{x - E_f}{k_B T})}$

## 5.2 Local decomposition of density operator

One notes that the previous sum can be decomposed as a sum of partial sums

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_a \rho_a$$

with:

$$\rho_a = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \left( \sum_b C_a^{\alpha*} S_{a,b} C_b^{\alpha} + C_a^{\alpha} S_{a,b}^* C_b^{\alpha*} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \langle \tilde{a} | \hat{\rho} | a \rangle + \langle a | \hat{\rho} | \tilde{a} \rangle \right]$$

Or:

$$\rho_a = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \sum_b C_a^{\alpha*} S_{a,b} C_b^{\alpha} \right] = \Re \left[ \bar{\rho} S \right]_{a,a}$$

Setting  $\tilde{C}_a^{\alpha} = \sum_b S_{ab} C_b^{\alpha}$  one finally obtains:

$$\rho_a = \Re \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} C_a^{\alpha*} \tilde{C}_a^{\alpha} \right)$$

In matrix form:

$$\tilde{C}^{\alpha} = S C^{\alpha}$$

And the trace of  $\hat{\rho}$  gives the total number of electrons:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \underbrace{C^{\alpha*} \tilde{C}^{\alpha}}_{=1} = N_e$$

## 5.3 Average operator

### 5.3.1 Average of any operator $\hat{A}$

The average of  $\hat{A}$  reads:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} \cdot \hat{A}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \langle \alpha | \hat{A} | \alpha \rangle$$

Writing the Bloch  $|\alpha\rangle$  in the basis  $|a\rangle$  one gets:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{ab} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} C_a^{\alpha} (C_b^{\alpha})^* \right) \langle b | \hat{A} | a \rangle$$

$\langle \hat{A} \rangle$  can be written in matrix form:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr}[\bar{\rho} A]$$

with as usual:

$$\bar{\rho}_{ab} = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} C_a^{\alpha} (C_b^{\alpha})^*$$

Note that the summation can be re-organized in a different manner:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} {}^t C^{\alpha*} A C^{\alpha}$$

## 5.4 Average of an operator of the form $\hat{A} = g(\hat{H})$

If  $\hat{A} = g(\hat{H})$ , using  $\hat{H}|\alpha\rangle = \epsilon_\alpha|\alpha\rangle$  one gets:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}g(\hat{H})) = \sum_{ab} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} g(\epsilon_{\alpha}) C_b^{\alpha} (C_a^{\alpha})^* \right) S_{a,b}$$

In matrix form:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr} [\bar{\rho} \bar{A} S]$$

with:

$$\bar{\rho}_{ab} = \sum_{\alpha} f_{E_f}(\epsilon_{\alpha}) g(\epsilon_{\alpha}) C_a^{\alpha} (C_b^{\alpha})^*$$

Reorganizing the sum one obtains the "trivial" result:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} g(\epsilon_{\alpha}) \underbrace{C_a^{\alpha*} \tilde{C}_a^{\alpha}}_{=1} = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} g(\epsilon_{\alpha})$$

One can as-well define the local component

$$A_a = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} g(\epsilon_{\alpha}) \left( \sum_b C_a^{\alpha*} S_{a,b} C_b^{\alpha} + \sum_b C_a^{\alpha} S_{a,b}^* C_b^{\alpha*} \right) \right]$$

or

$$A_a = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} g(\epsilon_{\alpha}) \sum_b C_a^{\alpha*} S_{a,b} C_b^{\alpha} \right]$$

In a more compact form:

$$A_a = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} g(\epsilon_{\alpha}) C_a^{\alpha*} \tilde{C}_a^{\alpha} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \langle \tilde{a} | \hat{\rho} \cdot \hat{G} | a \rangle + \langle a | \hat{\rho} \cdot \hat{G} | \tilde{a} \rangle \right]$$

### 5.4.1 Total energy

In the case of the total energy  $\hat{A} = \hat{H}$  so  $G(x) = x$

$$E^{tot} = \langle \hat{H} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \epsilon_{\alpha} \underbrace{C_a^{\alpha*} \tilde{C}_a^{\alpha}}_{=1} = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \epsilon_{\alpha}$$

Using previous section one can define the local decomposition of the energy:

$$E_a^{tot} = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha} \epsilon_{\alpha} C_a^{\alpha*} \tilde{C}_a^{\alpha} \right]$$

## 6 Back to the periodic case, Bloch theorem

### 6.1 TB basis in "real" space and its dual

$|\widetilde{R, n, \lambda}\rangle = \sum_{R', m, \mu} (S^{-1})_{Rn, R'm}^{\lambda, \mu} |R', m, \mu\rangle$  dual basis verifying the relation  $\langle \widetilde{R', m, \mu} | R, n, \lambda \rangle = \delta_{R, R'} \delta_{n, m} \delta_{\lambda, \mu}$

Closure relation:  $\sum_{R, n, \lambda} |\widetilde{R, n, \lambda}\rangle \langle R, n, \lambda| = \hat{I}$

$$|\Psi_{\alpha}\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda} C_{Rn\lambda}^{\alpha} |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda\rangle$$

TB coefficients:  $\langle \widetilde{R, n, \lambda} | \alpha, \mathbf{k} \rangle = C_{Rn\lambda}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_n} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$

## 6.2 TB Bloch basis and its dual

We recall

$$|n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}\rangle = \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_n}}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda\rangle$$

The dual basis is naturally defined as:

$$|\widetilde{n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}}\rangle = \sum_{m, \mu} (S^{-1}(\mathbf{k}))_{n, m}^{\lambda, \mu} |m, \mu, \mathbf{k}\rangle$$

the orthogonality relation holds:  $\langle \widetilde{n, \mu, \mathbf{k}} | m, \lambda, \mathbf{k} \rangle = \delta_{n, m} \delta_{\lambda, \mu}$ . As well as the closure relation:  $\sum_{n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}} |\widetilde{n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}}\rangle \langle n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}| = \hat{I}$

And the TB coefficients  $\langle \widetilde{n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}} | \alpha, \mathbf{k} \rangle = C_{n, \lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$

## 6.3 Charge and local density

### 6.3.1 Density operator

The density operator  $\hat{\rho}$  and the density of states operator  $\hat{D}(E)$  (which trace gives the density of stats):

$$\hat{\rho} = f(\hat{H}) \quad [^3] \quad ; \quad \hat{D}(E) = \delta(E - H) \quad ; \quad D(E) = \text{Tr} \hat{D}(E)$$

$$\rho = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} |\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \langle \alpha, \mathbf{k}| \quad ; \quad D(E) = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} |\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle w_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(E - \varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})) \langle \alpha, \mathbf{k}| \quad ; \quad D(E) = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(E - \varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))$$

$w_{\mathbf{k}}$  is the weight of wave-vector  $\mathbf{k}$ , in practice the summation over  $\mathbf{k}$  is discrete and involves special  $\mathbf{k}$  points. The summation is normalized such that:

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} = 1 = \frac{\omega}{8\pi^3} \int_{\text{BZ}} d\mathbf{k}$$

By definition the trace of  $\hat{\rho}$  is equal to the number of electrons:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = N_e = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(E) D(E) dE = \sum_{\alpha} (\mathbf{k}) w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$$

Let's write the trace of  $\hat{\rho}$  using the TB coefficient:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \langle \alpha, \mathbf{k} | f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) | \alpha, \mathbf{k} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \left[ \sum_{\substack{n\lambda \\ m\mu}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) (C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^* \right) S_{n, m}^{\lambda, \mu}(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

One recognize the result of the previous section in matricial form of  $\hat{\rho} = f(\hat{H})$  in TB basis:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \text{Tr} [\bar{\rho}(\mathbf{k}) S(\mathbf{k})]$$

With

$$\bar{\rho}_{nm}^{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) (C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^*$$

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<sup>3</sup>  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\frac{x - E_f}{k_B T})}$



### 6.3.2 Local decomposition

One notes that the previous summation can be decomposed in local components:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_{n\lambda} \rho_{n\lambda}$$

where  $\rho_{n\lambda}$  is the charge on site  $n$  and orbital  $\lambda$ :

$$\rho_{n\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) + \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu*}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

Or:

$$\rho_{n\lambda} = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

Setting  $\tilde{C}_{n\lambda}^{\alpha} = \sum_{m\mu} S_{nm}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$  One gets

$$\rho_{n,\lambda} = \Re \left( \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) w_{\mathbf{k}} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \right)$$

Or in matrix form:

$$\tilde{C}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) = S(\mathbf{k}) C^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$$

Hence the trace of the operator  $\hat{\rho}$  reads:

$$\text{Tr}(\hat{\rho}) = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})^t C^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) = N_e$$

## 6.4 Average operator

### 6.4.1 Average value of the operator $\hat{A}$

The average of  $\hat{A}$  reads:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} \hat{A}) = \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \langle \alpha, \mathbf{k} | \hat{A} | \alpha, \mathbf{k} \rangle$$

Unsing the expansion of the Bloch  $|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle$  on the TB basis  $|n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}\rangle$  gives:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{\substack{n\lambda \\ m\mu}} \left( \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) (C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^* \right) \langle m\mu, \mathbf{k} | \hat{A} | n\lambda, \mathbf{k} \rangle$$

$\langle \hat{A} \rangle$  can be written as the trace of a matrix product:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \text{Tr}[\tilde{\rho}(\mathbf{k}) A(\mathbf{k})]$$

With:

$$\tilde{\rho}_{nm}^{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) (C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^*$$

Note that the summation can be re-organized in a slightly different way:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})^t C^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) A(\mathbf{k}) C^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$$

#### 6.4.2 Average of an operator of the form $\hat{A} = g(\hat{H})$

Let's consider  $\hat{A} = g(\hat{H})$  then:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} F(\hat{H})) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\substack{n\lambda \\ m\mu}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) g(\varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) (C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^{*} \right) S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k})$$

In matrix form:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \text{Tr} \left[ (\overline{FG})(\mathbf{k}) S(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

with

$$\overline{FG}_{nm}^{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) g(\varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})) C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) (C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^{*}$$

Reorganizing the summation gives:

$$\langle \hat{A} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) g(\varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^t C^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$$

And the local component

$$A_{n\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) g(\varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})) \left( \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) S_{nm}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) + \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu*}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \right) \right]$$

So that

$$A_{n\lambda} = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) g(\varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})) \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

Or in a more compact form:

$$A_{n\lambda} = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) g(\varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})) C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

#### 6.4.3 Total energy

In the case of the total energy  $\hat{A} = \hat{H}$  so that  $g(x) = x$

$$E_{tot} = \langle \hat{H} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})^t C^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$$

The local component of the energy is defined as:

$$E_{n\lambda}^{\text{tot}} = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{n\lambda}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}_{n\lambda}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

#### 6.4.4 Group velocity

Let's consider the groupe velocity  $\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k},\alpha}$ , of band  $\alpha$  at  $\mathbf{k}$ :

$$\hbar \mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{k},\alpha} = \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} \varepsilon_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$$

For component  $d = x, y, z$

$$\hbar v_{\mathbf{k},\alpha}^d = \frac{\partial}{\partial k_d} \langle \alpha \mathbf{k} | \hat{H} | \alpha \mathbf{k} \rangle$$

Using the expansion of the Bloch function in TB basis as well as the generalized eigenvalue equation and normalization of eigenvectors one gets:

$$\hbar v_{\mathbf{k},\alpha}^d = {}^t C^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial k_d} H(\mathbf{k}) - \varepsilon_\alpha(\mathbf{k}) \frac{\partial}{\partial k_d} S(\mathbf{k}) \right] C^\alpha(\mathbf{k})$$

Hence we have to calculate the derivative the Hamiltonian matrix

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k_d} H_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) = i \sum_{\mathbf{R}} (\mathbf{R}^d + \mathbf{r}_m^d - \mathbf{r}_n^d) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}_n)} \langle 0, n, \lambda | \hat{H} | \mathbf{R}, m, \mu \rangle$$

and overlap

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k_d} S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) = i \sum_{\mathbf{R}} (\mathbf{R}^d + \mathbf{r}_m^d - \mathbf{r}_n^d) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}_n)} \langle 0, n, \lambda | \hat{I} | \mathbf{R}, m, \mu \rangle$$

## 7 What about spin!

### 7.1 Local and global basis

One can choose a global spin basis linked to the crystal lattice or a local basis linked to the orientation of the spin magnetization. For the global basis  $\sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow$  diagonalize  $\sigma_z$  operator while for the local basis  $\sigma'' = \uparrow, \downarrow$  diagonalize  $\sigma_{z''}$ . The global basis is identical for each atom of the system, while in case of non-collinear magnetization the local basis can change from site to site! We will use the global basis in the following.

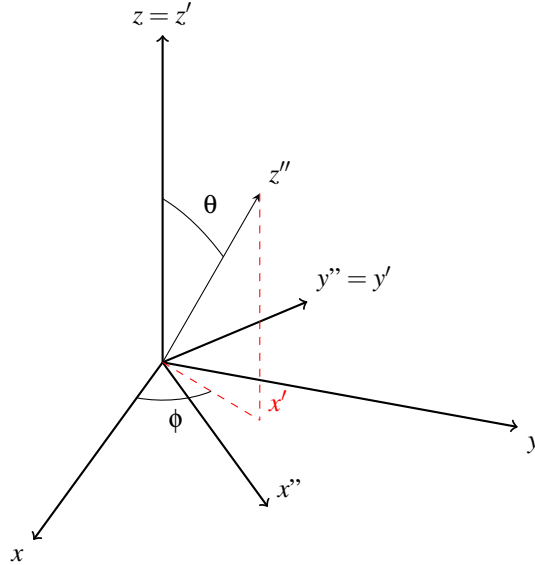


Figure 2: Definition of the spin basis in spherical coordinates

### 7.2 TB basis and Bloch theorem with spinors

Let's introduce the spin variable  $\sigma$ , we define the TB basis with an additionnal index:

$$|\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda, \sigma\rangle = |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda\rangle \otimes |\sigma\rangle$$

In the TB basis adapted to the periodic conditions  $|n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k}\rangle$

$$|n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k}\rangle = \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r}_n}}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{R}} |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda, \sigma\rangle$$

And the Bloch function:

$$|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle = \sum_{n, \lambda, \sigma} C_{n\lambda\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) |n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k}\rangle$$

Note that if the Hamiltonian does NOT possess term that "mix" up and down spins the coefficients  $C_{a\lambda\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{k})$  can be separated in "up" ( $\sigma = \uparrow$ ) and "down" ( $\sigma = \downarrow$ ). This situation occurs when the magnetization is collinear without spin-orbit coupling.

### 7.3 Expression of an operator in the TB basis

A hermitian operator can be written in the TB basis  $|n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k}\rangle$ :

$$A_{n,m}^{\lambda\sigma,\mu\sigma'}(\mathbf{k}) = \langle n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k} | \hat{A} | m, \mu, \sigma' \mathbf{k} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{R}} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{r}_m - \mathbf{r}_n)} \langle 0, n, \lambda, \sigma | \hat{A} | \mathbf{R}, m, \mu, \sigma' \rangle$$

If  $\hat{A}$  is independent of spin:

$$A_{n,m}^{\lambda\sigma,\mu\sigma'}(\mathbf{k}) = A_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) \otimes \sigma_0$$

This result applies to the component of the Hamiltonian that does not depend on spin  $H_0$ :

$$H_{n,m}^{0,\lambda\sigma,\mu\sigma'}(\mathbf{k}) = H_{n,m}^{0,\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) \otimes \sigma_0 \quad \text{and} \quad S_{n,m}^{\lambda\sigma,\mu\sigma'}(\mathbf{k}) = S_{n,m}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) \otimes \sigma_0$$

The TB magnetic Hamiltonian contains four terms  $H_0$ ,  $H_{\text{LCN}}$ ,  $H_{\text{Stoner}}$  and  $H_{\text{SOC}}$ <sup>4</sup>:

$$H = H_0 \otimes \sigma_0 + \sum_{\substack{n,\lambda \\ m,\mu}} U_{n,\lambda} (\rho_{n,\lambda} - \rho_{n,\lambda}^0) \delta_{n,\lambda,b\mu} \otimes \sigma_0 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{n,\lambda \\ m,\mu}} I_{n,\lambda} \delta_{n,\lambda,m\mu} \mathbf{m}_{n\lambda} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \sum_{\substack{n,\lambda,\sigma \\ m,\mu,\sigma'}} \xi_{n,\lambda} \delta_{n,m} \langle \lambda, \sigma | \mathbf{l} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} | \mu, \sigma' \rangle$$

### 7.4 Average operators

#### 7.4.1 Pauli operator

The average of the spin operator is expressed as follows  $\sigma$ <sup>5</sup>:

$$\langle \boldsymbol{\sigma} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \langle \alpha, \mathbf{k} | \boldsymbol{\sigma} | \alpha, \mathbf{k} \rangle$$

Let's use the definition of  $|\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle$  and the fact that  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  acts only on spin variables:

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha, \mathbf{k}\rangle &= \sum_{n, \lambda, \sigma} C_{n\lambda\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) |n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k}\rangle \quad ; \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma} |n, \lambda, \sigma', \mathbf{k}\rangle = \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\sigma\sigma'} |n, \lambda, \sigma', \mathbf{k}\rangle \\ \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma} \rangle &= \text{Tr}(\hat{\rho} \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} \left[ \sum_{\substack{n\lambda \\ m\mu}} \left( \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu\sigma'}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) (C_{n\lambda\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}))^* \right) S_{a,b}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) \right] \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\sigma\sigma'} \end{aligned}$$

Let's introduce the density matrix  $\bar{\rho}$  de:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho}^{\sigma\sigma'} &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\substack{a\lambda \\ b\mu}} \left( \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) (C_{n\lambda\sigma'}^\alpha(\mathbf{k}))^* \right) S_{a,b}^{\lambda,\mu}(\mathbf{k}) \\ \bar{\rho} &= \begin{pmatrix} \rho^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \rho^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ \rho^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \rho^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

<sup>4</sup>For more details about the Hamiltonian see "Comptes Rendus Physique 17 406-429 (2016)."

<sup>5</sup> $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_z)$  est formé des 3 matrices de Pauli et  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\sigma\sigma'}$  représente les coefficients de ces matrices:

$$\sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence we have:

$$\langle \sigma \rangle = \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} \bar{\rho}^{\sigma'\sigma} \sigma_{\sigma\sigma'} = \text{Tr}(\bar{\rho}\sigma)$$

Le calcul montre donc que:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \sigma_x \rangle &= \bar{\rho}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + \bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\downarrow} = 2\Re(\bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) \\ \langle \sigma_y \rangle &= i(\bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - \bar{\rho}^{\downarrow\uparrow}) = -2\Im(\bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) \\ \langle \sigma_z \rangle &= \bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \bar{\rho}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ \langle \sigma_0 \rangle &= \bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + \bar{\rho}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{aligned}$$

Inverting these formula one gets:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\uparrow} &= \frac{1}{2}[\langle \sigma_0 \rangle + \langle \sigma_z \rangle] \\ \bar{\rho}^{\downarrow\downarrow} &= \frac{1}{2}[\langle \sigma_0 \rangle - \langle \sigma_z \rangle] \\ \bar{\rho}^{\uparrow\downarrow} &= \frac{1}{2}[\langle \sigma_x \rangle - i\langle \sigma_y \rangle] \\ \bar{\rho}^{\downarrow\uparrow} &= \frac{1}{2}[\langle \sigma_x \rangle + i\langle \sigma_y \rangle] \end{aligned}$$

## 7.4.2 Local quantities

One can définie a local density:

$$\bar{\rho}_{n\lambda}^{\sigma\sigma'} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \left( \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda\sigma'}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda, \mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) + \sum_{m\mu} C_{n\lambda\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) S_{n,m}^{\lambda, \mu*}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu\sigma'}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \right) \right]$$

It is useful to introduce  $C_{\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$  as a sub-vector of  $C^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$ . Similarly one defines  $\tilde{C}_{\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) = S(\mathbf{k})C_{\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})$ . The local density reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\rho}_{n\lambda}^{\sigma\sigma'} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{\alpha, \mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \left( C_{n\lambda\sigma'}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}_{n\lambda\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) + C_{n\lambda\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \tilde{C}_{n\lambda\sigma'}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) \right) \right] \\ \bar{\rho}_{n,\lambda} &= \begin{pmatrix} \rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\uparrow} & \rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\downarrow} \\ \rho_{n\lambda}^{\downarrow\uparrow} & \rho_{n\lambda}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

and we have :

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \sigma_x \rangle_{n\lambda} &= \rho_{n\lambda}^{\downarrow\uparrow} + \rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\downarrow} = 2\Re(\rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) \\ \langle \sigma_y \rangle_{n\lambda} &= i(\rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - \rho_{n\lambda}^{\downarrow\uparrow}) = -2\Im(\rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\downarrow}) \\ \langle \sigma_z \rangle_{n\lambda} &= \rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \rho_{n\lambda}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \\ \langle \sigma_0 \rangle_{n\lambda} &= \rho_{n\lambda}^{\uparrow\uparrow} + \rho_{n\lambda}^{\downarrow\downarrow} \end{aligned}$$

## 7.5 Average of an operator

### 7.5.1 General case

$\hat{A}$  Hermitian operator:

$$A_{nm}^{\lambda\sigma, \mu\sigma'}(\mathbf{k}) = \langle n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k} | \hat{A} | m, \mu, \sigma' \mathbf{k} \rangle$$

Its average reads:

$$\langle A \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} w_{\mathbf{k}} \text{Tr}[\bar{\rho}(\mathbf{k})A(\mathbf{k})]$$

Where  $\hat{\rho}(\mathbf{k})$ :

$$\bar{\rho}_{n\lambda m\mu}^{\sigma\sigma'}(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\alpha} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) C_{n\lambda\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) (C_{m\mu\sigma'}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}))^*$$

### 7.5.2 Orbital moment

Let  $\hat{L}_d$  be the orbital moment operator ( $d = x, y, z$ ). Its expression in the TB basis  $|\mathbf{R}, n, \mu, \sigma\rangle$  is:

$$\hat{L}_d |\mathbf{R}, n, \lambda, \sigma\rangle = \sum_{\mu} L_d^{\lambda\mu} |\mathbf{R}, n\mu\sigma\rangle$$

This is a "local" operator that do not depend on spin its expression in the  $|n, \lambda, \mathbf{k}\rangle$  basis reads:

$$L_{d,nm}^{\lambda\sigma,\mu\sigma'} = \langle n, \lambda, \sigma, \mathbf{k} | \hat{L}_d | m, \mu, \sigma' \mathbf{k} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{v}} S_{nm}^{\lambda\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{k}) L_d^{\mathbf{v}\mu} \delta_{\sigma\sigma'}$$

The local component of the orbital moment is:

$$\langle \hat{L}_d \rangle_n = \Re \left[ \sum_{\alpha\mathbf{k}} f_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) w_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{m\lambda\mu\sigma} C_{n\lambda\sigma}^{\alpha*}(\mathbf{k}) L_d^{\lambda\mu} S_{nm}^{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k}) C_{m\mu\sigma}^{\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) \right]$$

Let us give the expression of the orbital operator in the  $p$  and  $d$  orbital basis.

- $p$  orbitals:  $\lambda = \{p_x, p_y, p_z\}$

$$L_x^{(p)} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad L_y^{(p)} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad L_z^{(p)} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $d$  orbitals  $\lambda = \{d_{xy}, d_{yz}, d_{xz}, d_{x^2-y^2}, d_{z^2}\}$

$$L_x^{(d)} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i & -i\sqrt{3} \\ i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i\sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad L_y^{(d)} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i & i\sqrt{3} \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i\sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad L_z^{(d)} = \hbar \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 2i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2i & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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