

Quiz 3

Chemistry 3BB3; Winter 2005

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3. Consider the ground state of the Boron atom again. Suppose we do an unrestricted Hartree-Fock (UHF) calculation and a restricted Hartree-Fock (RHF) calculation. We make some observations, which are listed below. Assign each observation to the appropriate method (RHF, UHF).

_____ The energy from this calculation is larger.

_____ The 1s orbital for an α -spin electron and a β -spin electron are the same.

4-5. For the 2-electron atom with atomic number Z , sketch the dependence of the effective nuclear charge on the distance from the nucleus. Label the value of Z_{eff} at the nucleus and infinitely far from the nucleus.

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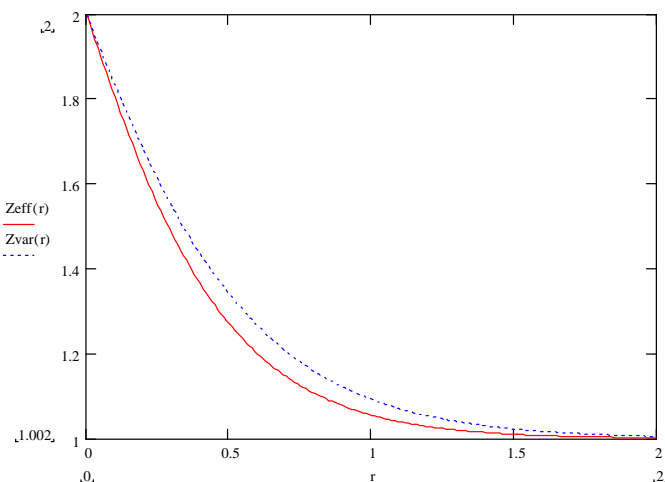
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The above figure is straight from the notes, where the effective nuclear charge is plotted for the Helium atom. The value at $r=0$ is, in the general case, is Z . The value at $r \rightarrow \infty$ is $Z - 1$.

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