

Quantum Chemistry by Levine

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1 Chapter 8 The Variation Method

8.1

should be less than the ground state energy

$$E \leq -203.2 eV$$

8.2

(a) Given only V varies from 0 to l :

$$\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle + \langle \Psi | V | \Psi \rangle$$

where from PIB condition for ground state:

$$\langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{8ml^2}$$

$$\langle \Psi | V | \Psi \rangle = \int_{l/4}^{3l/4} \Psi^* V_0 \Psi dx = 0.818 \frac{\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

$$\text{So } \langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle = 5.75 \frac{\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

(b) similar as the method in (a)

$$\langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle = \int_0^l x(l-x) \frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (x(l-x)) dx = 0.16667 \frac{\hbar^2 l^3}{m}$$

$$\langle \Psi | V | \Psi \rangle = \int_{l/4}^{3l/4} V_0 x^2 (l-x)^2 dx = 0.0264 \frac{\hbar^2 l^3}{m}$$

$$\text{So } \langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle = 0.193 \frac{\hbar^2 l^3}{m}$$

$$\text{And } \int_0^l x^2 (l-x)^2 dx = \frac{l^5}{30}$$

$$\text{then } W = 5.79 \frac{\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

8.3

the idea is:

$$\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle + \langle \Psi | V | \Psi \rangle$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \Psi^* \left(\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \right) \Psi dx + \int_0^\infty \Psi^* (2\pi^2 \nu^2 m \Psi^2) dx$$

8.4

this is not a well-behaved function

8.5

$$\Psi = x(a-x)y(b-y)z(c-z)$$

$$\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau = \frac{a^5}{30} \frac{b^5}{30} \frac{c^5}{30}$$

$$\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau$$

According to variation method:

$$\frac{\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau}{\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau} = \frac{5h^2}{4\pi m} \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right)$$

the true function is $\frac{h^2}{8m} \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right)$

the error is 1.3%

8.6

Given $\Psi = b - r$

$$\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^\infty (b-r)^2 r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi = \frac{2\pi b^5}{15}$$

$$\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^b (b-r) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{d^2}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \right) (b-r) \right) dr d\theta d\phi = \frac{\hbar^2 b^3}{6\pi m}$$

So:

$$\frac{\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau}{\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau} = 0.1266 \frac{\hbar^2}{mb^2}$$

Compared to the true function:

$$E_1 = 0.125 \frac{\hbar^2}{mb^2}$$

8.7

there is nothing to do with other info

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial c} = 0$$

8.8

(a) $V = -\infty$ at $x < 0$, so $V = 0$ when $x = 0$

(b) Given $\Psi = xe^{-cx}$

$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = \int_0^\infty x^2 e^{-2cx} dx$$

$$\langle \Psi | V | \Psi \rangle = \int_0^\infty b x x^2 e^{-2cx} dx$$

$$\langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle = \int_0^\infty x e^{-cx} \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \right) x e^{-cx} dx$$

$$\text{So: } W = \frac{3b}{2c} + \frac{\hbar^2 c^2}{2m}$$

find the minimum of this function at $\frac{\partial W}{\partial c} = 0$

$$c = \frac{3bm}{2\hbar^2}^{1/3}$$

$$\text{So } W = 1.96 \frac{b^2 \hbar}{m}^{1/3}$$

8.9

using normalization:

$$\Psi_1 = N_1 a \left(f + \frac{b}{a} g \right)$$

$$\Psi_2 = f + cg$$

8.10

Given the variation function: $\Psi = e^{-cr}$
 $\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^\infty e^{-2cr} r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi = \frac{\pi}{c^3}$
 $\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau = \int e^{-cr} \left(\frac{-\hbar^2}{2\mu} - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \right) e^{-cr} d\tau$
 $W = \frac{\hbar^2 c^2}{2\mu} - \frac{Ze^2 c}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$
 using $\frac{\partial W}{\partial c} = 0$
 $c = \frac{Ze^2 \mu}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar^2}$
 $W = \frac{Z^2 e^4 \mu}{2(4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar)^2}$
 there is no error

8.11

Guess $\Psi = e^{-bx^2}$
 $\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2b}}$
 where $H = T + V = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + cx^4$
 $\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau$
 $W = \frac{\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau}{\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau} = \frac{\hbar^2 b}{2m} + \frac{3c}{16b^2}$
 to find the minimum of W:
 $\frac{\partial W}{\partial c} = 0$
 $W = 0.681 \hbar \frac{c \hbar}{m^2}^{1/3}$

8.12

Given $\Psi = x^k (l - x)^k$
 $\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau = i^{4k+1} \frac{\tau_{2k+1}^2}{\tau_{4k+2}}$
 Since $V = 0$, $H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2}$
 $\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau$
 $W = \frac{\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau}{\int \Psi^* \Psi d\tau} = \frac{\hbar^2 (4k^2 + k)}{4\pi^2 m l^2 (2k-1)}$
 To find optimal k:
 $\frac{\partial W}{\partial k} = 0$
 $k = 1.11$
 $W = 0.1253 \frac{\hbar^2}{m l^2}$

8.13

Given the wave function $\Psi = \sin(x \frac{x+c}{l+2c})$
 We have $\int_{-c}^{l+c} \Psi^2 dx = \frac{l+2c}{2}$
 $\langle \Psi | V | \Psi \rangle = \int_{-c}^0 V_0 \Psi^2 dx + \int_l^{l+c} V_0 \Psi^2 dx$
 $\langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle = \int_{-c}^{l+c} \Psi \left(\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \right) \Psi dx$
 So $W = \frac{\langle \Psi | T | \Psi \rangle + \langle \Psi | V | \Psi \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle} = \frac{\hbar^2}{8m(l+2c)^2} + \frac{2V_0 c}{l+2c} - \frac{V_0}{\pi} \sin\left(\frac{\pi l}{l+2c}\right)$

To minimize W using $\frac{\partial W}{\partial c} = 0$

8.14

the equation only holds when $E = E_1$

8.16

Given the triangular function:

$$\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle = \int_0^{l/2} x^2 dx + \int_{l/2}^l (l-x)^2 dx$$

$$\langle \Psi | H | \Psi \rangle = 0.152 \frac{\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

8.17

Given the wave function:

$$\Psi = e^{-cr^2/a_0^2}$$

Then:

$$\int_0^\infty \Psi^* \Psi r^2 dr = \frac{\pi}{2c} a_0^3$$

where $H = T + V$ in spherical coordinate:

$$T = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{d^2}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \right)$$

$$V = -\frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

$$\text{So } \int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau = \int \Psi (T + V) \Psi d\tau$$

$$W = \frac{\int \Psi^* \hat{H} \Psi d\tau}{\int_0^\infty \Psi^* \Psi r^2 dr}$$

find the smallest c that:

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial c} = 0$$

$$W = 0.4244 \frac{Z^2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a_0}$$

where the true wave function is $\Psi = 0.5 \frac{Z^2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 a_0}$

the error is 15.1%

8.19

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 & i \\ -2 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & 7 & 1/2 \end{vmatrix} = i \begin{vmatrix} -2 & 4 \\ 5 & 7 \end{vmatrix} + 1/2 \begin{vmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 7 - 34i$$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 5 & 1 & 3 \\ 8 & 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 6 & 6 & 6 & 1 \\ 5 & -2 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

8.20

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \dots & & & \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11} \begin{vmatrix} a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ 0 & \dots & a_{33} & \dots \\ \dots & & & \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11} a_{22} a_{33} \dots a_{nn}$$

8.21

Given a 3-order determinant to try:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{11}a_{22}a_{33} - a_{12}a_{21}a_{33} = a_{33}(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21})$$

8.23

convert this into a determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & -1 & 4 & 2 & 16 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 & 4 & -5 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 8 \\ -4 & 6 & 2 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix}$$

8.24

the accuracy of float number in computer

8.26

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 8 & -15 \\ -3 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 77 > 0$$

So $x = 0, y = 0$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} -4 & 3i \\ 5i & \frac{15}{4} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$x = c, y = \frac{4}{3i}c$$

8.27

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -5 & -7 \\ 0 & -1 & -5 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -5 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{18}{5} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

So $x = 0, y = 0, z = 0$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 7 & -1 & 11 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & -15 & -10 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

So it has a non-trivial solution.

8.29

(a)F

(b)T

(c)F

(d)F

8.30

using the similar equation $\det(H_{ij} - S_{ij}W) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4a - 2bW & a - bW \\ a - bW & 6a - 3bW \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

Given two roots referring to E_1 and E_2 :

$$W_1 = 1.71a/b \text{ and } W_2 = 2.69a/b$$

for example E_1 gives the evaluation:

$$(4a - 2bW_1)c_1 + (a - bW)c_2 = 0$$

$$(a - bW_1)c_1 + (6a - 3bW)c_2 = 0$$

and $\langle c_1 f_1 | c_2 f_2 \rangle = 1$ as normalization:

$$c_1 = 0.42 \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}, c_2 = 0.34 \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}$$

similarly for E_2 :

$$(4a - 2bW_2)c_1 + (a - bW_2)c_2 = 0$$

$$(a - bW_2)c_1 + (6a - 3bW_2)c_2 = 0$$

$$c_1 = -0.85 \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}, c_2 = 0.70 \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}}$$

8.31

$$\begin{vmatrix} H_{11} - S_{11}W & H_{12} - S_{12}W \\ H_{12} - S_{12}W & H_{11} - S_{11}W \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\text{So } W = \frac{H_{11} + H_{12}}{S_{11} + S_{12}}$$

Adding it back to the equation:

$$\frac{c_1}{c_2} = 1 \text{ or } -1$$

8.33

$$\text{Given } f_1 = x^2(l - x)$$

$$f_2 = x(l - x)^2$$

$$\text{So } S_{11} = \langle f_1 | f_1 \rangle = \frac{l^7}{105}$$

$$S_{12} = \langle f_1 | f_2 \rangle = \frac{l^7}{140}$$

$$S_{22} = \langle f_2 | f_2 \rangle = \frac{l^7}{105}$$

$$H_{11} = \langle f_1 | H | f_1 \rangle = \frac{l^5 \hbar^2}{15m}$$

$$H_{12} = \langle f_1 | H | f_2 \rangle = \frac{l^5 \hbar^2}{60m}$$

$$H_{22} = \langle f_2 | H | f_2 \rangle = \frac{l^5 \hbar^2}{15m}$$

$$\text{So } W_1 = \frac{5\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

$$W_2 = \frac{21\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

8.34

$$\text{Given the } x' = x - \frac{l}{2}$$

$$f_1 = \left(\frac{l}{2} + x'\right)\left(\frac{l}{2} - x'\right)$$

$$f_2 = \left(\frac{l}{2} + x'\right)^2\left(\frac{l}{2} - x'\right)^2$$

$$f_3 = \left(\frac{l}{2} + x'\right)\left(\frac{l}{2} - x'\right)(-x')$$

$$f_4 = \left(\frac{l}{2} + x'\right)^2\left(\frac{l}{2} - x'\right)^2(-x')$$

8.35

Given $f_1 = x(l - x)$

$$f_2 = x^2(l - x)^2$$

$$H_{11} = \langle f_1 | H | f_1 \rangle = \int_0^l x(l - x) \hat{H} x(l - x) dx$$

$$H_{12} = \langle f_1 | H | f_2 \rangle = \frac{\hbar^2 l^5}{30m}$$

$$H_{22} = \langle f_2 | H | f_2 \rangle = \frac{\hbar^2 l^7}{105m}$$

$$S_{12} = \langle f_1 | f_2 \rangle = \frac{l^7}{140}$$

$$S_{22} = \langle f_2 | f_2 \rangle = \frac{l^9}{630}$$

8.36

Given $\begin{vmatrix} H_{33} - S_{33}W & H_{34} - S_{34}W \\ H_{43} - S_{43}W & H_{44} - S_{44}W \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$W_1 = 0.5 \frac{\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

$$W_2 = 2.54 \frac{\hbar^2}{ml^2}$$

8.41

$$A^* = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 + i & -2i & -i \\ 1 - i & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 2 - i & 1 + i \\ 3 & 2i & 4 \\ 0 & i & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 2 + i & 1 - i \\ 3 & -2i & 4 \\ 0 & -i & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

8.42

(a)F

(b)CF

(c)DF

8.45

(a) $\begin{vmatrix} 0 - \lambda & -1 \\ 3 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$\lambda_1 = 1 + \sqrt{2}i, \lambda_2 = 1 - \sqrt{2}i$$

$$-\lambda_1 c_1 - c_2 = 0, 3c_1 + (2 - \lambda)c_2 = 0 \quad (1)$$

Resulting in the eigenfunction:

$$c_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(b) \begin{vmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 0 \\ 9 & 2 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

So $\lambda = 2$

There is no determined eigenfunction.

$$(c) \begin{vmatrix} 4 - \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 4 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$\lambda = 4$

So there is no determined eigenfunction.

8.46

$$(a_{11} - \lambda)(a_{22} - \lambda)(a_{33} - \lambda) = 0$$

Generating three $\lambda = a_{11}, a_{22}, a_{33}$

Generating eigenfunction:

$$c_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

8.47

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 2 \\ 2 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = -2$$

So the first eigenfunction:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{pmatrix}$$

the other eigenfunction is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{pmatrix}$$

8.66 (a) True

(b) True

(c) True

(d) True

(e) True
(f) True
(g) True
(h) False
(i) True
(j) False
(k) False
(l) True
(m) True
(n) True