

Calculations of atomic multiplets across the periodic table

Master's Thesis

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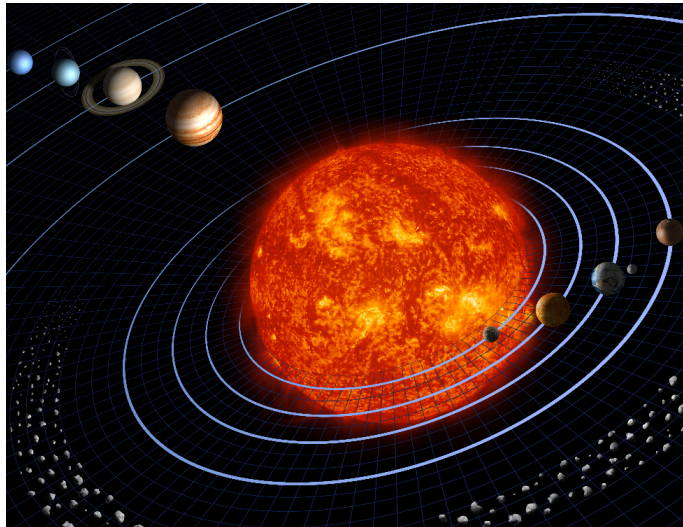
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Introduction

Imagine our solar system...



(Image from NASA)

$$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$$

Mercury: $\mathbf{r}_1(t)$

Venus: $\mathbf{r}_2(t)$

Earth: $\mathbf{r}_3(t)$

Mars: $\mathbf{r}_4(t)$

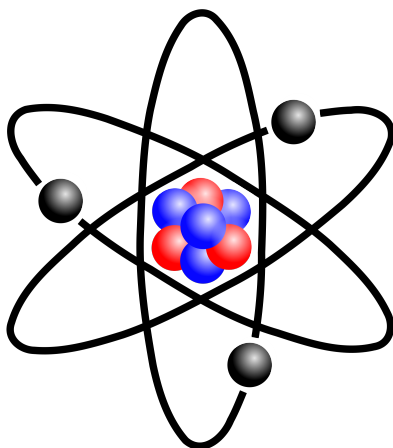
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Analytical solution: ✗

Numerical solution: ✓

Introduction

Scaling down to 10^{-10} meters...



(Image from Wikipedia)

$$H\Psi = E\Psi$$

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_i^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right] + \sum_{i < j}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|}$$

Many-electron wave function

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N)$$

Analytical solution: ✗

Numerical solution: ✗

Approximations!

One-electron problem

For $N = 1$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + V(r) \right] \varphi = E \varphi$$

Separation of variables:

$$\varphi(r, \theta, \phi) = R(r) Y(\theta, \phi)$$

Angular part $Y(\theta, \phi)$ Easy, spherical harmonics

Radial part $R(r)$ Difficult, **our task**

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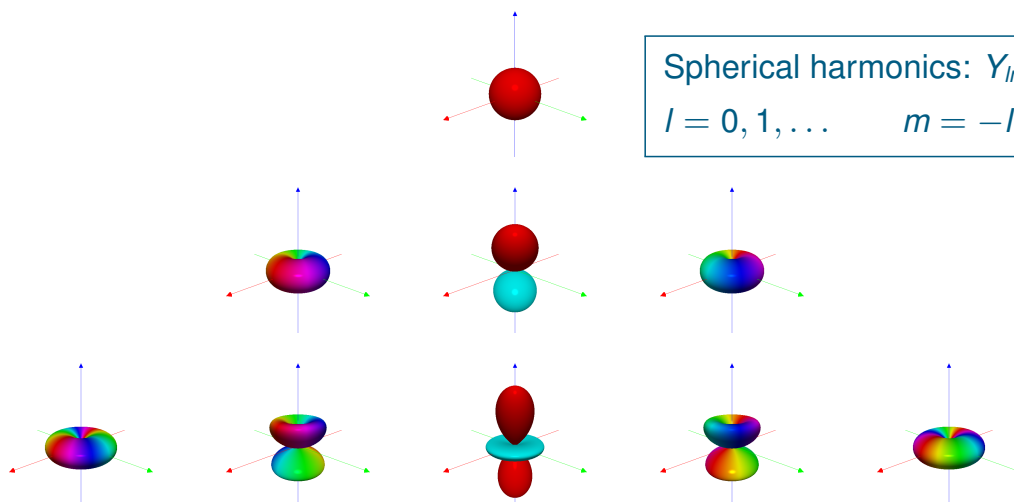
One-electron problem

Angular equation

$$\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial Y}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 Y}{\partial \phi^2} = -l(l+1) Y$$

Spherical harmonics: $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$

$l = 0, 1, \dots \quad m = -l, \dots, l$



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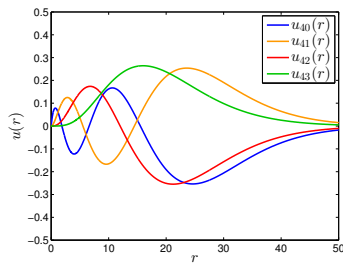
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One-electron problem

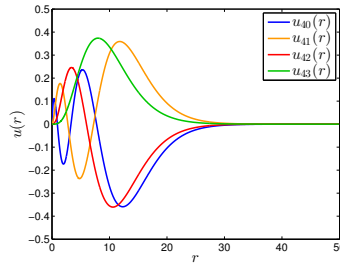
Define $u(r) \equiv rR(r)$, radial equation

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 u}{dr^2} + \left[V(r) + \frac{l(l+1)}{2r^2} \right] u = Eu$$

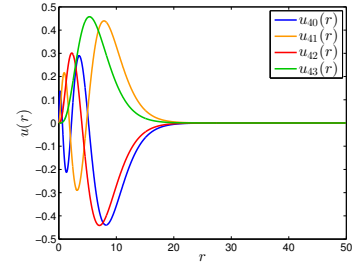
where $V(r) = -Z/r$



(a) $Z = 1$



(b) $Z = 2$



(c) $Z = 3$

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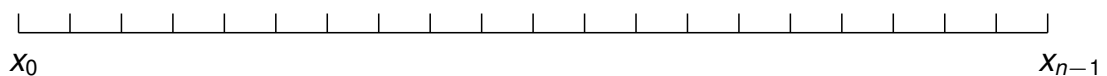
Logarithmic grid

Construct a logarithmic grid, $0 < r_0 < \dots < r_{n-1} < \infty$, where

$$r_i = \frac{1}{Z} e^{x_i}$$

and x is a uniformly distributed grid

$$x_i = x_0 + i\Delta x$$

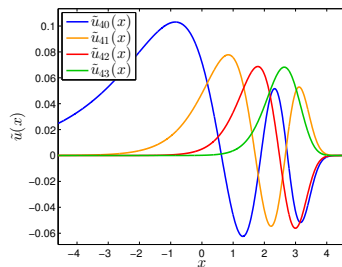


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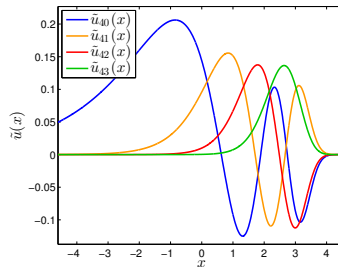
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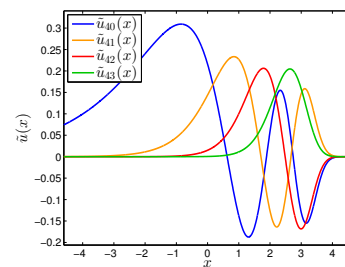
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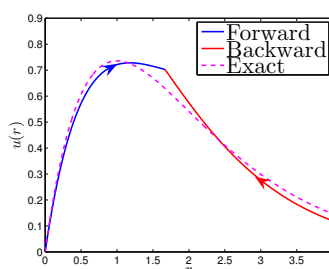
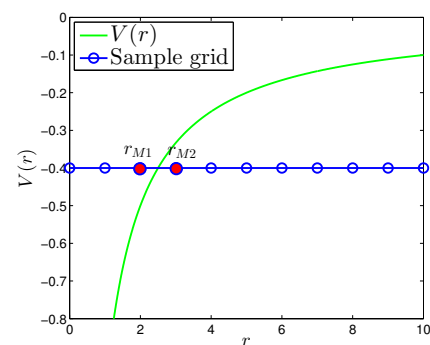
Rescale $\tilde{u} \equiv u/\sqrt{r}$, the transformed radial equation

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 \tilde{u}}{dx^2} + \left[r^2 V(r) + \frac{1}{2} \left(l + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \right] \tilde{u} = r^2 E \tilde{u}$$

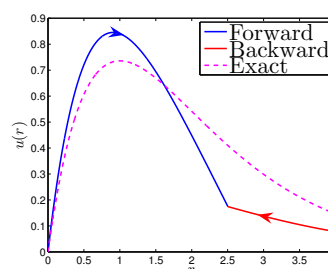
The shooting and matching methods

Numerov's method

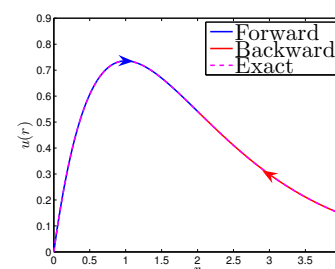
$$\tilde{u}_{i\pm 1} = \frac{(2 - \frac{5\Delta x^2}{3} k_i^2) \tilde{u}_i - (1 + \frac{\Delta x^2}{6} k_{i\mp 1}^2) \tilde{u}_{i\mp 1}}{1 + \frac{\Delta x^2}{6} k_{i\pm 1}^2}$$



(a) $E = -0.6$



(b) $E = -0.4$



(c) $E = -0.5$

Numerical and exact eigen-energy comparison

Elem	Orbital	Numerical	Exact	Abs Error	Rel Error
H	1s	−0.500000	−0.500000	0.000000	0.000000
C	1s	−18.000002	−18.000000	0.000002	0.000000
	2s	−4.499999	−4.500000	0.000001	0.000000
	2p	−4.500001	−4.500000	0.000001	0.000000
Fe	1s	−338.000032	−338.000000	0.000032	0.000000
	2s	−84.499984	−84.500000	0.000016	0.000000
	2p	−84.500012	−84.500000	0.000012	0.000000
	3s	−37.555556	−37.555556	0.000000	0.000000
	3p	−37.555556	−37.555556	0.000000	0.000000
	3d	−37.555555	−37.555556	0.000001	0.000000
	4s	−21.125000	−21.125000	0.000000	0.000000

One electron only!

The many-electron problem

Many-electron Schrödinger equation

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_i^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right] + \sum_{i < j}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} \right\} \Psi = E \Psi$$

- Analytical solution: ✗
- Numerical solution: ✗
- We use self-consistent field (SCF) approximation

The many-electron problem

Hartree ansatz

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) \approx \varphi_1(\mathbf{r}_1) \varphi_2(\mathbf{r}_2) \dots \varphi_N(\mathbf{r}_N)$$

Mean-field approximation

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_i^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right] + \underbrace{\sum_{i<j}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|}}_{\text{Trouble maker}}$$

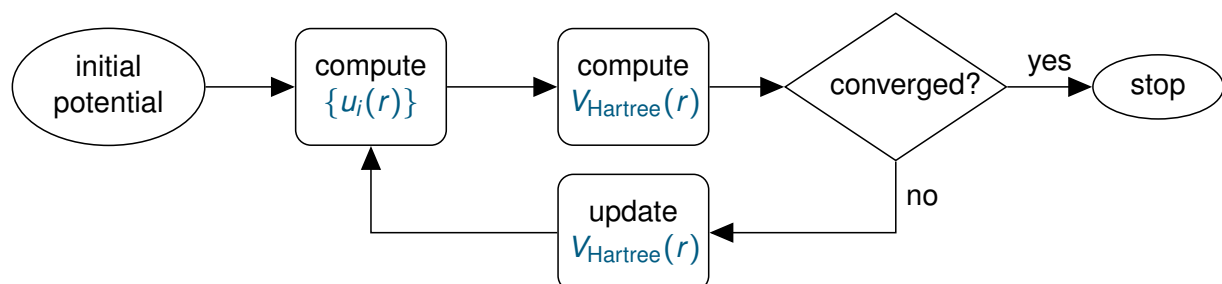
$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_i^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right] + \underbrace{V_{\text{Hartree}}(r)}_{\text{Hartree potential}}$$

Self-consistent iteration

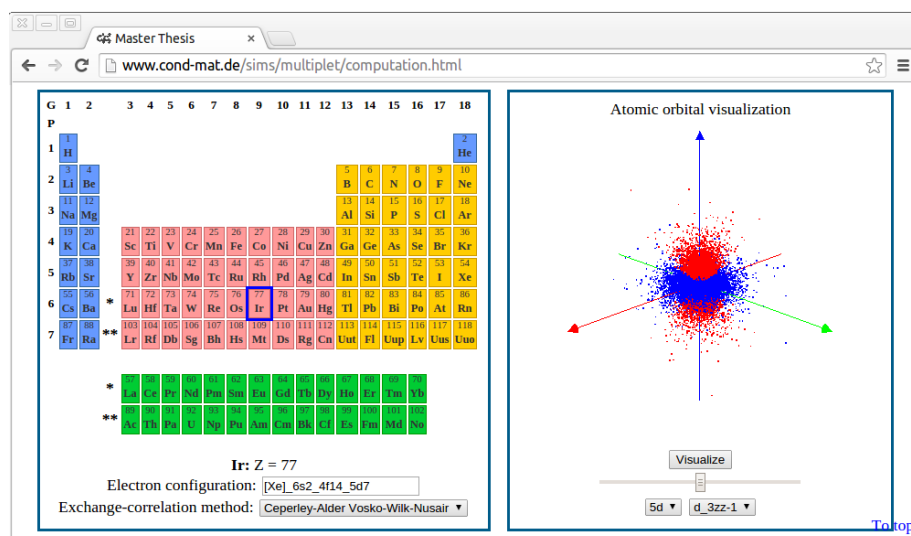
Many-electron problem → Many one-electron problems

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 u_i}{dr^2} + \left[V_{\text{ext}}(r) + V_{\text{Hartree}}(r) + \frac{l(l+1)}{2r^2} \right] u_i = E_i u_i$$

Chicken or the egg problem!



JavaScript demonstration



www.cond-mat.de/sims/multiplet

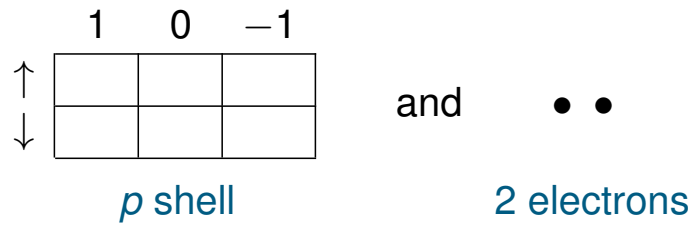
Comparison to NIST results

Elem	Orbital	My results	NIST results	Abs Error	Rel Error
H	$1s^1$	-0.233471	-0.233471	0.000000	0.000000
C	$1s^2$	-9.947725	-9.947718	0.000007	0.000001
	$2s^2$	-0.500866	-0.500866	0.000000	0.000000
	$2p^2$	-0.199186	-0.199186	0.000000	0.000000
Fe	$1s^2$	-254.225334	-254.225505	0.000171	0.000001
	$2s^2$	-29.564863	-29.564860	0.000003	0.000000
	$2p^6$	-25.551762	-25.551766	0.000004	0.000000
	$3s^2$	-3.360622	-3.360621	0.000001	0.000000
	$3p^6$	-2.187521	-2.187523	0.000002	0.000001
	$3d^6$	-0.295047	-0.295049	0.000002	0.000007
	$4s^2$	-0.197976	-0.197978	0.000002	0.000010

Many-electron, mean-field!

Open shell problem

Imagine the following problem:

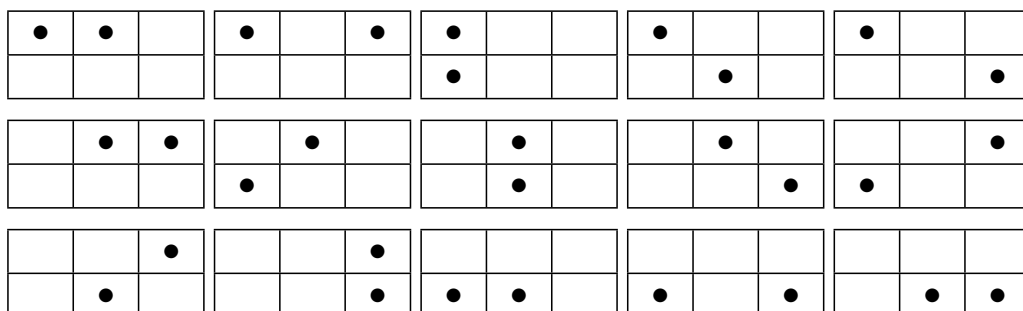


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Open shell problem



Which configuration has the highest energy?

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & & \bullet \\ \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \end{array} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \bullet \\ \hline \end{array}$$



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Coulomb repulsion Hamiltonian

Revisit our **trouble maker**

$$H_U = \sum_{i < j}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|}$$

Second quantization

$$H_U = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta} U_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} c_{\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\beta}^{\dagger} c_{\gamma} c_{\delta}$$

$$\alpha = \{n_1, l_1, m_1, \sigma_1\}$$

$$\beta = \{n_2, l_2, m_2, \sigma_2\}$$

$$\gamma = \{n_3, l_3, m_3, \sigma_3\}$$

$$\delta = \{n_4, l_4, m_4, \sigma_4\}$$

Coulomb repulsion Hamiltonian

Coulomb repulsion **matrix element**

$$U_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = \delta_{\sigma_1\sigma_4} \delta_{\sigma_2\sigma_3} \int d^3r_1 \int d^3r_2 \overline{\varphi_{n_1 l_1 m_1}}(\mathbf{r}_1) \overline{\varphi_{n_2 l_2 m_2}}(\mathbf{r}_2) \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|} \varphi_{n_3 l_3 m_3}(\mathbf{r}_2) \varphi_{n_4 l_4 m_4}(\mathbf{r}_1)$$

Multipole expansion

$$\frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{r_{<}^k}{r_{>}^{k+1}}}_{\text{Radial part}} \frac{4\pi}{2k+1} \sum_{\mu=-k}^k \underbrace{\overline{Y_{k\mu}}(\theta_1, \phi_1) Y_{k\mu}(\theta_2, \phi_2)}_{\text{Angular part}}$$

Coulomb repulsion Hamiltonian

The **radial** part

$$R^{(k)}(n_1 l_1, n_2 l_2, n_3 l_3, n_4 l_4) = \int_0^\infty dr_1 \int_0^\infty dr_2 \overline{u_{n_1 l_1}}(r_1) \overline{u_{n_2 l_2}}(r_2) \frac{r_1^k}{r_1^{k+1}} u_{n_3 l_3}(r_2) u_{n_4 l_4}(r_1)$$

The **angular** part

Slater-Condon parameters

$$A^{(k)}(l_1 m_1, l_2 m_2, l_3 m_3, l_4 m_4) =$$

$$\sum_{\mu=-k}^k \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1 \int_0^\pi d\theta_1 \sin \theta_1 \overline{Y_{l_1 m_1}}(\theta_1, \phi_1) \overline{Y_{k \mu}}(\theta_1, \phi_1) Y_{l_4 m_4}(\theta_1, \phi_1) \\ \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_2 \int_0^\pi d\theta_2 \sin \theta_2 \overline{Y_{l_2 m_2}}(\theta_2, \phi_2) Y_{k \mu}(\theta_2, \phi_2) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\theta_2, \phi_2)$$

Gaunt coefficients

Setting up basis and Hamiltonian

Set up **basis**

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Construction of multiplet states

M_L - M_S table

		M_S		
		-1	0	1
M_L	2	0	1	0
	1	1	2	1
	0	1	3	1
	-1	1	2	1
	-2	0	1	0

$$|1, 1, 1, 1\rangle$$

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	-1	1	2	1
	-2	0	1	0

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 |1, 1, 1, -1\rangle & |1, 1, 1, 0\rangle & |1, 1, 1, 1\rangle \\
 |1, 0, 1, -1\rangle & |1, 0, 1, 0\rangle & |1, 0, 1, 1\rangle \\
 |1, -1, 1, -1\rangle & |1, -1, 1, 0\rangle & |1, -1, 1, 1\rangle
 \end{array}$$

$3P$

Construction of multiplet states

M_L - M_S table

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M_L	2	0	1	0
	1	0	1	0
	0	0	2	0
	-1	0	1	0
	-2	0	1	0

$$|2, 2, 0, 0\rangle$$

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Construction of multiplet states

M_L - M_S table

		M_S		
		-1	0	1
M_L	2	0	1	0
	1	0	1	0
	0	0	2	0
	-1	0	1	0
	-2	0	1	0

$$\begin{aligned}
 &|2, 2, 0, 0\rangle \\
 &|2, 1, 0, 0\rangle \\
 &|2, 0, 0, 0\rangle \\
 &|2, -1, 0, 0\rangle \\
 &|2, -2, 0, 0\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$1D$

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Construction of multiplet states

M_L - M_S table

		M_S		
		-1	0	1
M_L	2	0	0	0
	1	0	0	0
	0	0	1	0
	-1	0	0	0
	-2	0	0	0

$|0, 0, 0, 0\rangle$

1S

Construction of multiplet states

Three groups of eigen-vectors

3P			1D	1S
$ 1, 1, 1, -1\rangle$	$ 1, 1, 1, 0\rangle$	$ 1, 1, 1, 1\rangle$	$ 2, 2, 0, 0\rangle$	$ 0, 0, 0, 0\rangle$
$ 1, 0, 1, -1\rangle$	$ 1, 0, 1, 0\rangle$	$ 1, 0, 1, 1\rangle$	$ 2, 1, 0, 0\rangle$	
$ 1, -1, 1, -1\rangle$	$ 1, -1, 1, 0\rangle$	$ 1, -1, 1, 1\rangle$	$ 2, 0, 0, 0\rangle$	
			$ 2, -1, 0, 0\rangle$	
			$ 2, -2, 0, 0\rangle$	

Multiplet term symbol

$2S+1 L$

Construction of multiplet states

In summary, our 15 eigen-vectors:

3P	$ 1, 1, 1, 1\rangle = c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$
	$ 1, 1, 1, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger) 0\rangle$
	$ 1, 1, 1, -1\rangle = c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$
	$ 1, 0, 1, 1\rangle = c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$
	$ 1, 0, 1, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger) 0\rangle$
	$ 1, 0, 1, -1\rangle = c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$
	$ 1, -1, 1, 1\rangle = c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$
	$ 1, -1, 1, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger) 0\rangle$
	$ 1, -1, 1, -1\rangle = c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$

Construction of multiplet states

In summary, our 15 eigen-vectors:

1D	$ 2, 2, 0, 0\rangle = c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$
	$ 2, 1, 0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger) 0\rangle$
	$ 2, 0, 0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger + 2c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger) 0\rangle$
	$ 2, -1, 0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger) 0\rangle$
	$ 2, -2, 0, 0\rangle = c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger 0\rangle$
1S	$ 0, 0, 0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-1\uparrow}^\dagger - c_{0\downarrow}^\dagger c_{0\uparrow}^\dagger + c_{-1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger) 0\rangle$

Eigen-energy of multiplet states

Eigen-vector

$$|\mathbf{v}_n\rangle$$

Eigen-energy

$$E_n = \langle \mathbf{v}_n | H_U | \mathbf{v}_n \rangle$$

Carbon atom p^2 orbital

$$^1S : 0.612081 \text{ (Hartree)}$$

$$^1D : 0.529402 \text{ (Hartree)}$$

$$^3P : 0.474284 \text{ (Hartree)}$$

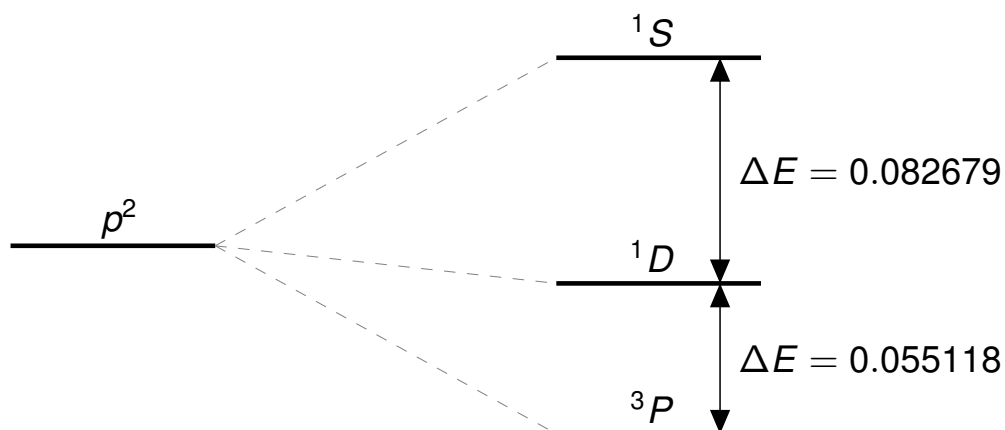
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Eigen-energy of multiplet states

Energy splitting

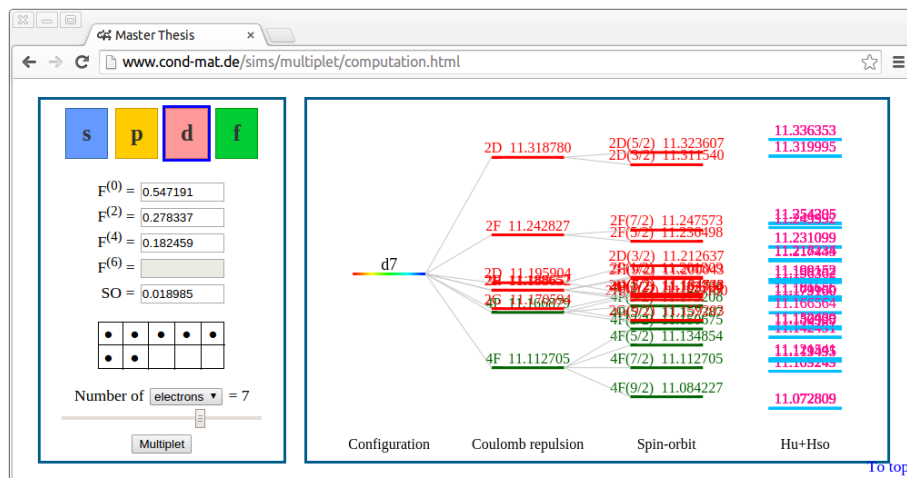


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JavaScript demonstration



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Spin-orbit coupling

Our original Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_i^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right] + \sum_{i<j}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|}$$

A magnetic force?



Spin-orbit coupling

The Hamiltonian with **spin-orbit** effect

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_i^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right] + \sum_{i < j}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N \xi(r_i) \ell_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_i}_{\text{Weak}}$$

where,

$$\xi(r) = \frac{1}{2c^2} \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV}{dr}$$

In atomic units

$$c \approx 137.036 \, a_0/t_0$$

Spin-orbit coupling within multiplet terms

Clebsch-Gordan transformation

$$|L, M_L, S, M_S\rangle \rightarrow |L, S, J, M_J\rangle$$

Multiplet split

$$^{2S+1}L_J \quad \text{with} \quad J = L + S, L + S - 1, \dots, |L - S|$$

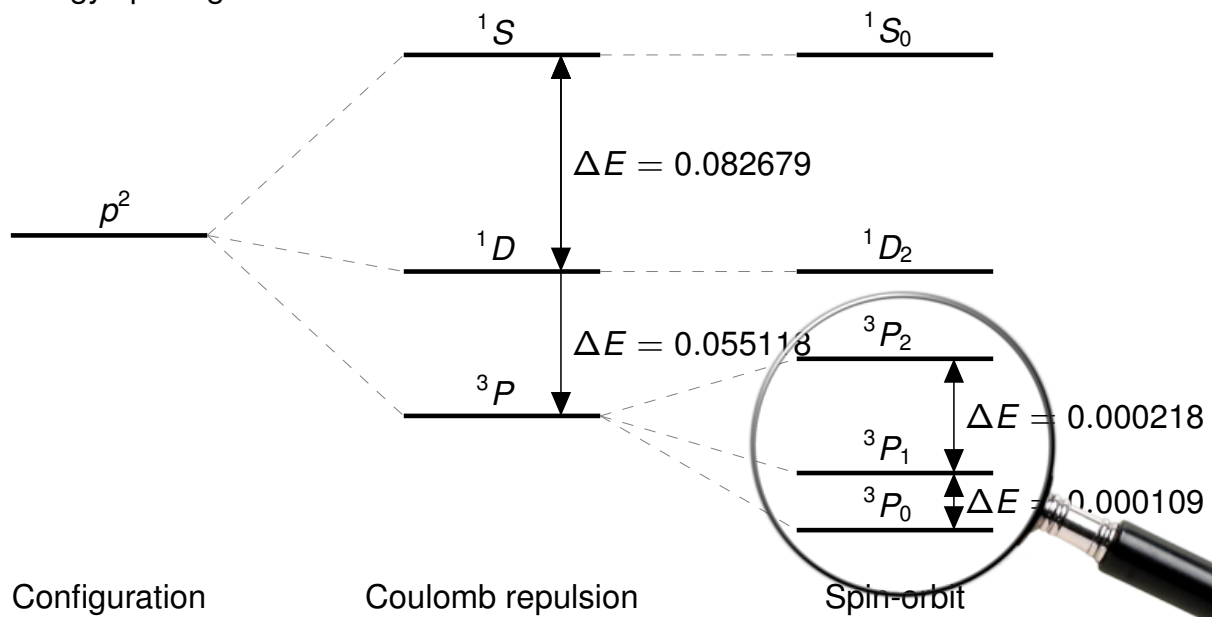
$$^3P \rightarrow ^3P_2, ^3P_1, ^3P_0$$

Eigen-energies

$$E_{\text{SO}} = A(nl, LS) \frac{1}{2} [J(J+1) - L(L+1) - S(S+1)]$$

Spin-orbit coupling within multiplet terms

Energy splitting

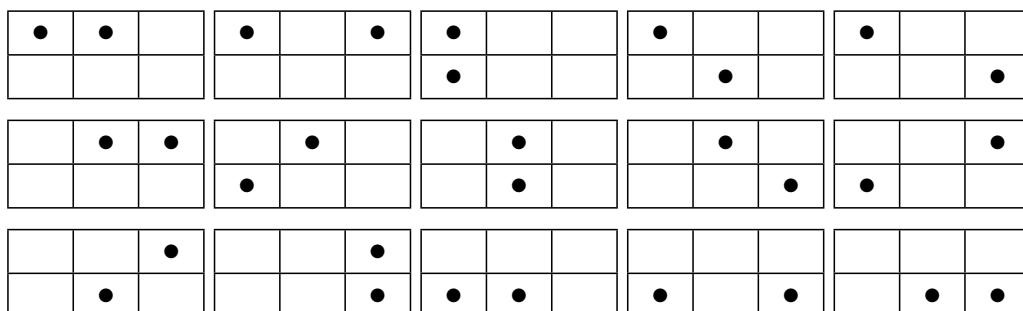


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Spin-orbit coupling within entire shell



$$H_{\text{SO}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \xi(r_i) \ell_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_i \longrightarrow H_{\text{SO}} = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} V_{\alpha\beta} c_{\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\beta}$$

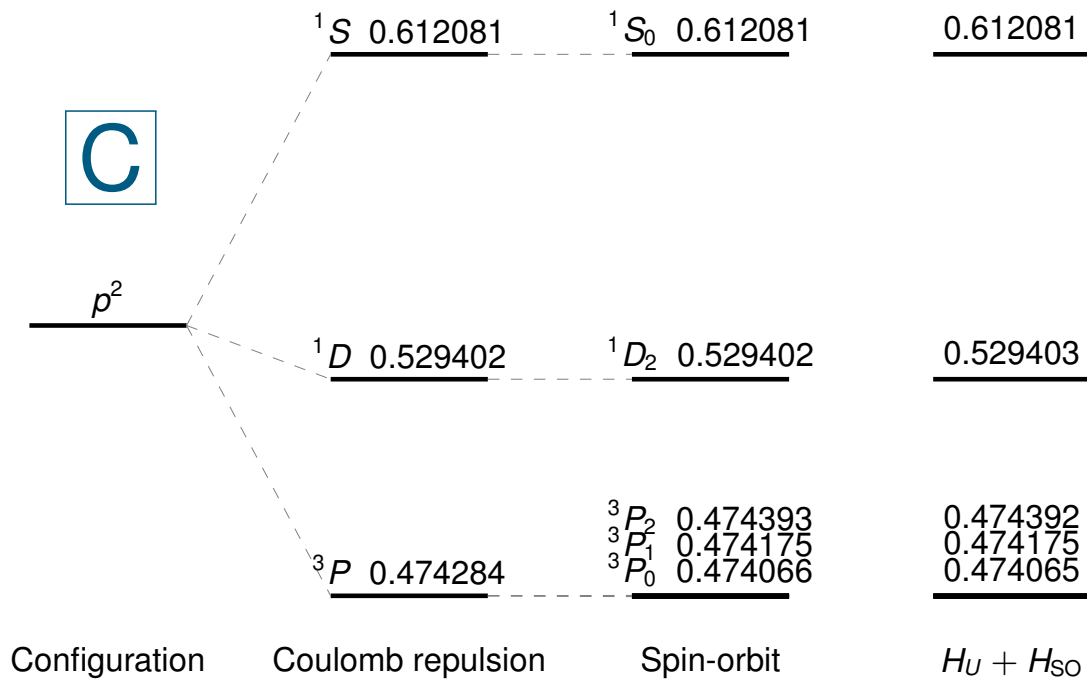
$$V_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \alpha | \xi(r) \ell \cdot \mathbf{s} | \beta \rangle$$

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Spin-orbit coupling within entire shell

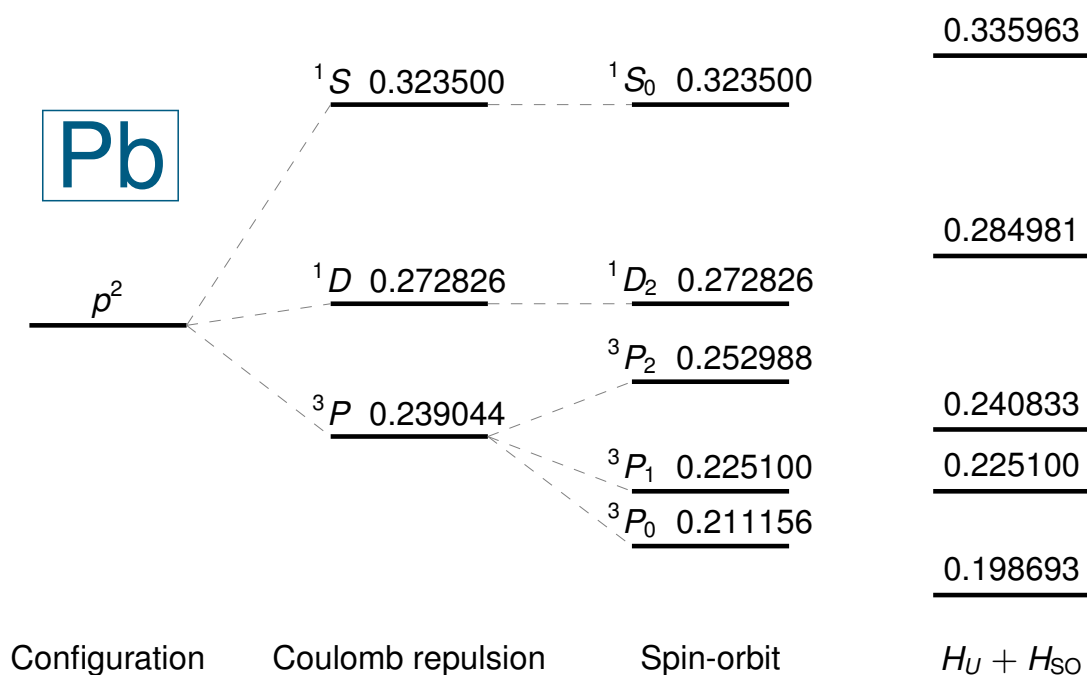


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Spin-orbit coupling within entire shell



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Conclusion

- 1 We implemented Numerov's method with logarithmic grid to solve the **one-electron** problem and obtained very accurate solutions.
- 2 We solved the many-electron problem using **self-consistent field** approximation.
- 3 Based on SCF calculation, we constructed atomic **multiplet states**, which are the many-electron eigen-states in atoms.
- 4 Finally we introduced the **spin-orbit coupling**, where we see the spectral lines further split into finer structures.

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Numerov's method

Finite difference

$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{u}}{dx^2} = \frac{\tilde{u}_{i+1} - 2\tilde{u}_i + \tilde{u}_{i-1}}{\Delta x^2} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$$

Numerov's method

$$\frac{d^2 \tilde{u}}{dx^2} = \frac{\tilde{u}_{i+1} - 2\tilde{u}_i + \tilde{u}_{i-1}}{\Delta x^2} - \frac{1}{12} \frac{\tilde{u}_{i+1}'' - 2\tilde{u}_i'' + \tilde{u}_{i-1}''}{\Delta x^2} \Delta x^2 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^4)$$

Use the original ODE

$$\tilde{u}_i'' = -2k_i^2 \tilde{u}_i \quad \text{and} \quad k_i^2 \equiv r_i^2 E - r_i^2 V(r_i) - \frac{1}{2} \left(l + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2$$

3-point **recursion!**

$$\tilde{u}_{i\pm 1} = \frac{(2 - \frac{5\Delta x^2}{3} k_i^2) \tilde{u}_i - (1 + \frac{\Delta x^2}{6} k_{i\mp 1}^2) \tilde{u}_{i\mp 1}}{1 + \frac{\Delta x^2}{6} k_{i\pm 1}^2}$$

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Slater-Condon parameters

$$R^{(k)}(n_1 l_1, n_2 l_2, n_3 l_3, n_4 l_4) = \int_0^\infty dr_1 \int_0^\infty dr_2 \overline{u_{n_1 l_1}}(r_1) \overline{u_{n_2 l_2}}(r_2) \frac{r_<^k}{r_>^{k+1}} u_{n_3 l_3}(r_2) u_{n_4 l_4}(r_1)$$

If $r_1 \leq r_2$,

$$r_< = r_1, \quad r_> = r_2$$

If $r_1 > r_2$,

$$r_< = r_2, \quad r_> = r_1$$

$$R^{(k)}(n_1 l_1, n_2 l_2, n_3 l_3, n_4 l_4) =$$

$$\int_0^\infty dr_1 \overline{u_{n_1 l_1}}(r_1) u_{n_4 l_4}(r_1) \left[\frac{1}{r_1^{k+1}} \int_0^{r_1} dr_2 r_2^k \overline{u_{n_2 l_2}}(r_2) u_{n_3 l_3}(r_2) \right. \\ \left. + r_1^k \int_{r_1}^\infty dr_2 \frac{1}{r_2^{k+1}} \overline{u_{n_2 l_2}}(r_2) u_{n_3 l_3}(r_2) \right]$$

Gaunt coefficients

$$A^{(k)}(l_1 m_1, l_2 m_2, l_3 m_3, l_4 m_4) =$$

$$\sum_{\mu=-k}^k \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_1 \int_0^\pi d\theta_1 \sin \theta_1 \overline{Y_{l_1 m_1}}(\theta_1, \phi_1) \overline{Y_{k \mu}}(\theta_1, \phi_1) Y_{l_4 m_4}(\theta_1, \phi_1) \\ \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi_2 \int_0^\pi d\theta_2 \sin \theta_2 \overline{Y_{l_2 m_2}}(\theta_2, \phi_2) Y_{k \mu}(\theta_2, \phi_2) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\theta_2, \phi_2)$$

Gaunt coefficients

$$g_{m_1 m_2}^{(k)} = \langle l_1 m_1 | k \mu | l_2 m_2 \rangle$$

Gaunt coefficients

Recursion relation

$$\langle l_1 m_1 | k \mu | l_2 m_2 \rangle = a \langle l_1 + 1, m_1 | k - 1, \mu | l_2 m_2 \rangle + b \langle l_1 - 1, m_1 | k - 1, \mu | l_2 m_2 \rangle + c \langle l_1 m_1 | k - 2, \mu | l_2 m_2 \rangle$$

$$a = \sqrt{\frac{(2k+1)(2k-1)(l_1+m_1+1)(l_1-m_1+1)}{(k+\mu)(k-\mu)(2l_1+3)(2l_1+1)}}$$

$$b = \sqrt{\frac{(2k+1)(2k-1)(l_1+m_1)(l_1-m_1)}{(k+\mu)(k-\mu)(2l_1+1)(2l_1-1)}}$$

$$c = -\sqrt{\frac{(2k+1)(k+\mu-1)(k-\mu-1)}{(k+\mu)(k-\mu)(2k-3)}}$$

Base case

$$\langle l_1 m_1 | 00 | l_2 m_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{m_1 m_2}$$

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Ladder operator techniques

Ladder operators

$$L_{\pm} |lm\rangle = \alpha_{lm}^{\pm} |l, m \pm 1\rangle$$

$$\alpha_{lm}^{+} = \sqrt{(l+m+1)(l-m)}$$

$$\alpha_{lm}^{-} = \sqrt{(l+m)(l-m+1)}$$

Express eigen-vectors in terms of our 15 basis vectors

$$L_- \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline \end{array} = \sqrt{(1+1)(1-1+1)} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline \end{array} + \sqrt{(1+1)(1-1+1)} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$L_- |2, 2, 0, 0\rangle = \sqrt{2} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline \end{array} + \sqrt{2} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$|2, 1, 0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline \end{array} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \bullet & & \\ \hline & \bullet & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$|2, 1, 0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} c_{1\downarrow}^{\dagger} c_{0\uparrow}^{\dagger} |0\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} c_{0\downarrow}^{\dagger} c_{1\uparrow}^{\dagger} |0\rangle$$

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