

Chapter 3.

Many-Electron Atoms

Reading: Bransden & Joachain, Chapter 8

Central Field Approximation

Assumption: each of the atomic electrons moves in an effective spherically symmetric potential $V(r)$ created by the nucleus and all the other electrons.

Hamiltonian of the N -electron atom

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Ze^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_i} \right) + \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) + \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \quad \text{in a.u.}$$

No spin-orbit interactions,
spin-spin interactions,
relativistic effects, nuclear
corrections etc.

Schrödinger equation

$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) + \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \right] \Psi(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) = E \Psi(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N), \quad q_i = (\vec{r}_i, s_i)$$

Total wave function: antisymmetric

$$P_{ij} \Psi(\dots, q_i, \dots, q_j, \dots) = \Psi(\dots, q_j, \dots, q_i, \dots) = -\Psi(\dots, q_i, \dots, q_j, \dots)$$

Schrödinger equation for spatial wave function

$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) + \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \right] \psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) = E \psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N)$$

Central field approximation (independent particle model):

Each electron moves in an effective spherically symmetric potential $V(r)$ created by the nucleus and all the other electrons.

$$V(r) = -\frac{Z}{r} + S(r), \quad \sum_{i=1}^N S(r_i) \approx \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}}$$

$$V(r) \rightarrow -\frac{Z}{r}, \quad r \rightarrow 0$$

Screening

$$V(r) \rightarrow -\frac{Z - (N - 1)}{r}, \quad r \rightarrow \infty$$

$$V(r) \rightarrow ? \quad \text{at intermediate distance}$$

Thomas-Fermi and Hartree-Fock methods

Unperturbed Hamiltonian

$$H = H_c + H_1$$

$$H_c = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 + V(r_i) \right) = \sum_{i=1}^N h_i, \quad h_i = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 + V(r_i)$$

$$H_1 = \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}} - \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{Z}{r_i} + V(r_i) \right) = \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}} - \sum_{i=1}^N S(r_i) \ll \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}}$$

Schrödinger equation for central field wave function

$$H_c \psi_c = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 + V(r_i) \right] \psi_c = E_c \psi_c \quad \text{separable into } N \text{ equations}$$

$$\psi_c = u_{a_1}(r_1) u_{a_2}(r_2) \dots u_{a_N}(r_N)$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}}^2 + V(r) \right] u_{nlm_l}(\vec{r}) = E_{nl} u_{nlm_l}(\vec{r})$$

one-electron or
central field orbitals

$$u_{nlm_l}(\vec{r}) = R_{nl}(r) Y_{lm_l}(\theta, \phi)$$

$\neq \psi_{nlm}(\vec{r})$: hydrogen
wave function

- $V(r)$ spherically symmetric $\rightarrow E_{nl}$ are independent of m_l
- E_{nl} depend on both n and l .

Spin-Orbitals and Slater Determinants

Spin-orbitals: $u_{nlm_l m_s}(q) = u_{nlm_l}(\vec{r}) \chi_{1/2, m_s} = R_{nl}(r) Y_{lm_l}(\theta, \phi) \chi_{1/2, m_s}$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}}^2 + V(r) \right] u_{nlm_l m_s} = E_{nl} u_{nlm_l m_s}$$

Slater determinants

Total N -electron (central field) wave function $\Psi_c(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N)$
: antisymmetric (Pauli exclusion principle).

$$\Psi_c(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \begin{vmatrix} u_{\alpha}(q_1) & u_{\beta}(q_1) & \cdots & u_{\nu}(q_1) \\ u_{\alpha}(q_2) & u_{\beta}(q_2) & \cdots & u_{\nu}(q_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u_{\alpha}(q_N) & u_{\beta}(q_N) & \cdots & u_{\nu}(q_N) \end{vmatrix}$$

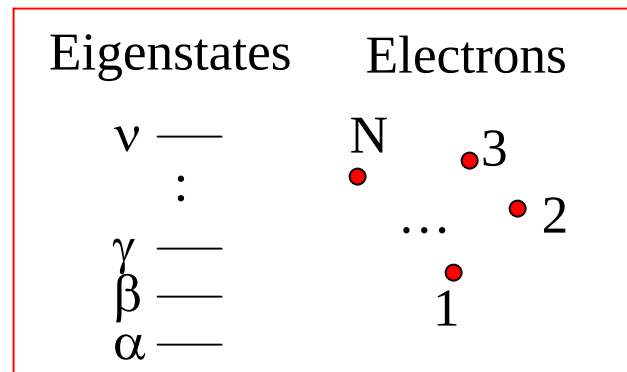
Quantum numbers
 $\alpha, \beta, \dots, \nu$
 $\rightarrow (n, l, m_l, m_s)$

describing an atom in which one electron is in state α , another in state β , and so on.

Eigenvalue: $E_c = E_{\alpha} + E_{\beta} + \cdots + E_{\nu}$

$$\Psi(\dots, q_j, \dots, q_i, \dots) = -\Psi(\dots, q_i, \dots, q_j, \dots)$$

$\alpha = \beta \rightarrow \Psi = 0$ Pauli exclusion principle



The Slater determinant will vanish if two electrons have the same values of the four quantum numbers n, l, m_l and m_s (two columns are equal in the determinant).

→ Pauli exclusion principle: no two electrons in an atom can have the same set of the four quantum numbers n, l, m_l and m_s .

The Slater determinant includes $N!$ permutations of $q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N$.

$$\Psi_c(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \sum_P (-1)^P P u_\alpha(q_1) u_\beta(q_2) \dots u_\nu(q_N)$$

$\uparrow$ Sum over all permutations
 $\uparrow$ Permutation of the electron coordinates
 $\downarrow$ +1: even permutation, -1: odd permutation

e.g. He ground state $(1s)^2 \ ^1S$: $u_{100,1/2} = u_{100}(r)\chi_\uparrow$, $u_{100,-1/2} = u_{100}(r)\chi_\downarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_c(q_1, q_2) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2!}} \begin{vmatrix} u_\alpha(q_1) & u_\beta(q_1) \\ u_\alpha(q_2) & u_\beta(q_2) \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{vmatrix} u_{100}(r_1)\chi_\uparrow(1) & u_{100}(r_1)\chi_\downarrow(1) \\ u_{100}(r_2)\chi_\uparrow(2) & u_{100}(r_2)\chi_\downarrow(2) \end{vmatrix} \\ &= u_{100}(r_1)u_{100}(r_2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\chi_\uparrow(1)\chi_\downarrow(2) - \chi_\uparrow(2)\chi_\downarrow(1)] = u_{100}(r_1)u_{100}(r_2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle] \end{aligned}$$

Electron States in a Central Field

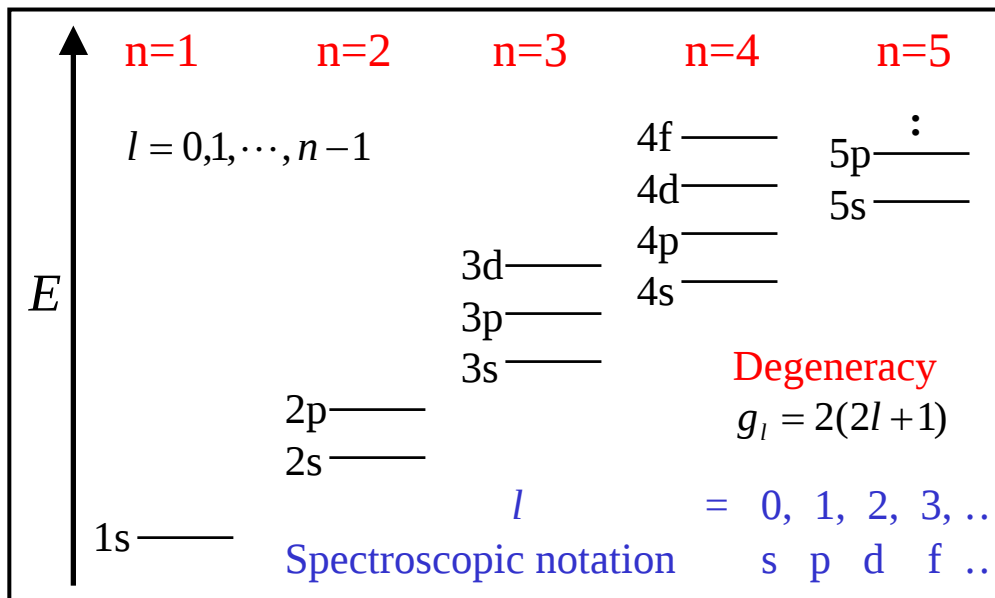
Eigenstate $\Psi_c(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \sum_P (-1)^P P u_\alpha(q_1) u_\beta(q_2) \dots u_\nu(q_N)$

Eigenvalue $E_c = E_\alpha + E_\beta + \dots + E_\nu$

→ $u_{nlm_l m_s}(q) = R_{nl}(r) Y_{lm_l}(\theta, \phi) \chi_{1/2, m_s}, \quad E = E_{nl}$

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

Ordering of individual energy levels E_{nl}



$E_{nl} \uparrow \leftarrow n \uparrow$ for given l

$E_{nl} \uparrow \leftarrow l \uparrow$ for given n

more screening because of the larger angular momentum

$E_{nl} \uparrow \leftarrow (n+l) \uparrow$

$E_{4s} < E_{3d}$ different from H atom ($E_{n+1} > E_n$)

Shells and subshells

Average radius of electron orbit in a hydrogenic atom $\langle r \rangle_{nlm} \sim \frac{n^2}{Z} a_0$

Electrons which have the same value of the principal quantum number n are said to belong to the same *shell*.

- Maximum number of electrons in a shell = $2n^2$ (closed or filled shell)

Electrons having the same value of n and l are said to belong to the same *subshell*.

- Maximum number of electrons in a subshell, degeneracy = $2(2l+1)$

- Closed (or filled) subshell: an assembly of $2(2l+1)$ equivalent electrons

Degeneracy

$$d = \frac{\delta!}{\nu!(\delta - \nu)!}$$

ν : number of electrons occupying a E_{nl} level

$\delta = 2(2l+1)$: degeneracy of the level

c.f. $d=1$ for a closed subshell.

e.g. Ground state of the carbon atom ($1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$)

$1s$: $\nu = 2$, $\delta = 2$, $d = 1$

$2s$: $\nu = 2$, $\delta = 2$, $d = 1$

$2p$: $\nu = 2$, $\delta = 6$, $d = 15$



$g = 15$

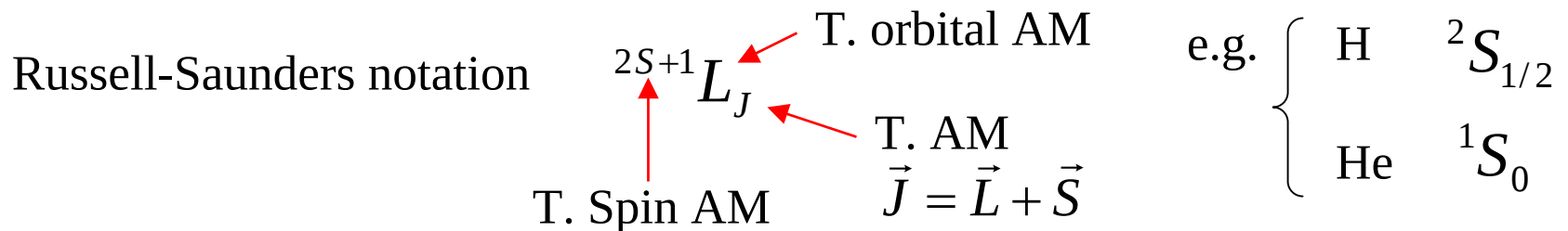
Periodic System of the Elements

Ground state of neutral atoms (Pauli exclusion principle):

Z electrons (Z: atomic number, nuclear charge) occupy the lowest individual energy levels.

Valence electrons: electrons are in the the subshell of highest energy

- least tightly bound electrons
- in insufficient numbers to form another closed subshell



Electron configuration: filling up shell and subshell structure

$n = 1$ (K-Shell)

Z	Element	El. Config.
1	H	1s
2	He	1s ²

$n = 2$ (L-Shell)

Z	Element	El. Config.
3	Li	[He]2s
4	Be	[He] 2s ²
5	B	[He] 2s ² 2p
...	...	...
10	Ne	[He] 2s ² 2p ⁶

$n=1$	$n=2$	$n=3$	$n=4$	$n=5$
1s —	2s — 2p —	3s — 3p — 3d —	4s — 4p — 4d — 4f —	5s — 5p — :
$l = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ Spectroscopic notation s p d f ...				

$n = 3$ (M-Shell)

Z	Element	El. Config.
11	Na	[Ne] 3s
...	...	...
18	Ar	[Ne] 3s ² 3p ⁶

Since $E_{4s} < E_{3d}$ (screening by [Ar]), the added electrons in K (Z=19) and Ca (Z=20) go into the 4s rather than the 3d subshell.

$n = 4$ (N-Shell)

Z	Element	El. Config.
19	K	[Ar]4s
20	Ca	[Ar] 4s ²
21	Sc	[Ar] 4s ² 3d
...	...	...
24	Cr	[Ar] 4s3d ⁵
25	Mn	[Ar] 4s ² 3d ⁵
...	...	...
29	Cu	[Ar] 4s3d ¹⁰
30	Zn	[Ar] 4s ² 3d ¹⁰
31	Ga	[Ar] 4s ² 3d ¹⁰ 4p
...	...	...
36	Kr	[Ar] 4s ² 3d ¹⁰ 4p ⁶

$E_{4s} \sim E_{3d}$

First transition (iron) group, 3d

Second transition (palladium) group, 4d
(from Z=39 to Z=48)

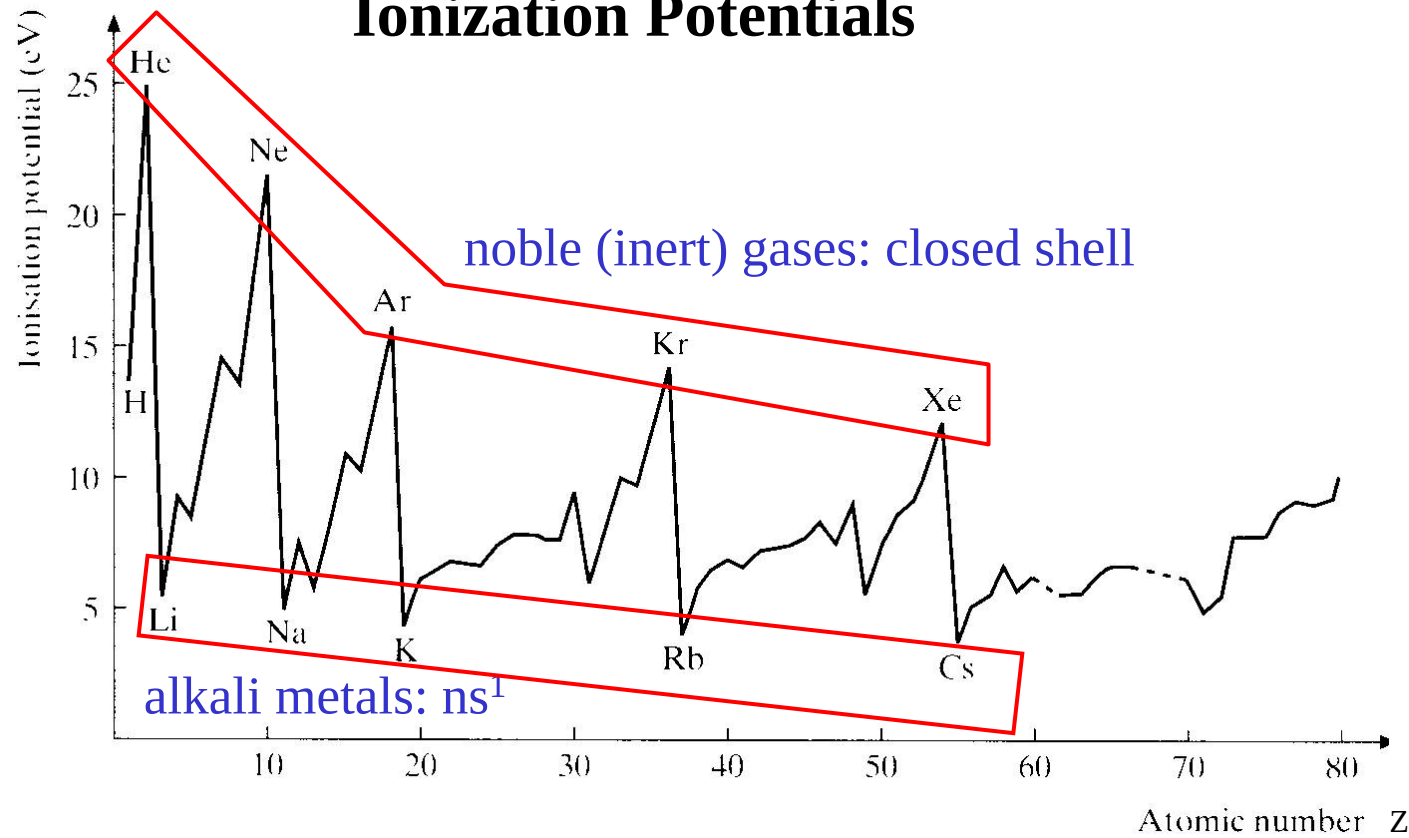
Third transition (platinum) group, 5d
(from Z=71 to Z=80)

Rare-earth elements (lanthanides), 4f ~ 5d
from Z=57 to Z=70

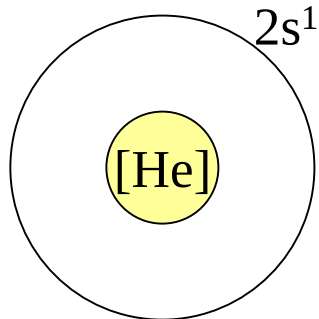
Actinides, 5f ~ 6d
from Z=89 to Z=102

For large Z, relativistic effects (e.g., spin-orbit coupling) become important and prevent the simple decoupling of the space and spin parts of the wave functions.

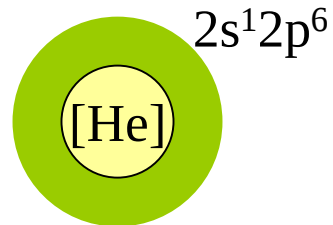
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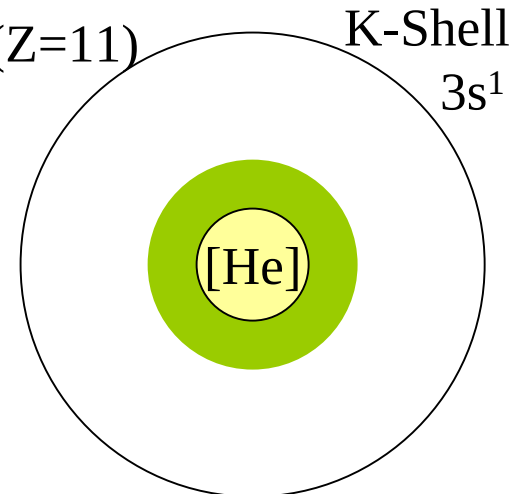
Li ($Z=3$)



Ne ($Z=10$)



Na ($Z=11$)



L-Shell



$$\langle r \rangle_{nlm} \sim \frac{n^2}{Z} a_0$$

Chemical Properties and Periodic Table

Chemical Properties and Periodic Table

Atomic number

Symbol

Atomic weight

Metal

Semimetal

Nonmetal

inert gas

halogens

alkali metal

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Pauli's exclusion principle → diversity of chemical and material properties

Models for Central Field Approximation

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Thomas-Fermi and Hartree-Fock methods

Fermi Electron Gas

Fermi electron gas:

A system consisting of a large number N of free electrons confined to a certain region of space (large cube of side L : 3D infinite potential well).

Free particle Schrödinger equation:
$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right) \psi(\vec{r}) = E \psi(\vec{r})$$

Spatial Eigenfunctions
$$\psi_{n_x n_y n_z}(\vec{r}) = \left(\frac{8}{L^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin\left(\frac{n_x \pi}{L} x \right) \sin\left(\frac{n_y \pi}{L} y \right) \sin\left(\frac{n_z \pi}{L} z \right)$$

vanishing at the boundary $n_x, n_y, n_z = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Energy eigenvalues
$$E_{n_x n_y n_z} = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2} (n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2) = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2} n^2$$

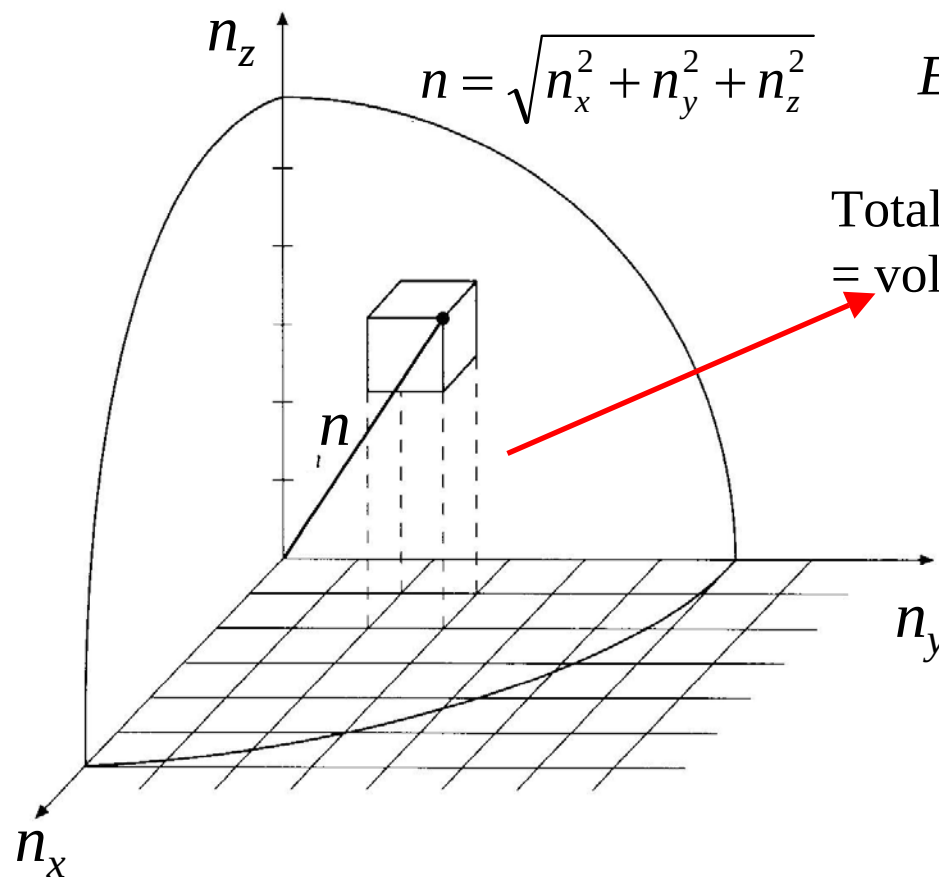
(i) degenerated
(ii) $\Delta E \propto \frac{1}{L^2}$

Total wave functions
$$\psi_{n_x n_y n_z m_s}(q) = \psi_{n_x n_y n_z}(\vec{r}) \chi_{1/2, m_s}$$

Density of states $D(E)$:

Number of electron quantum states (spin-orbitals) per unit energy range

$D(E)dE$ - Number of electron states between E and $E+dE$

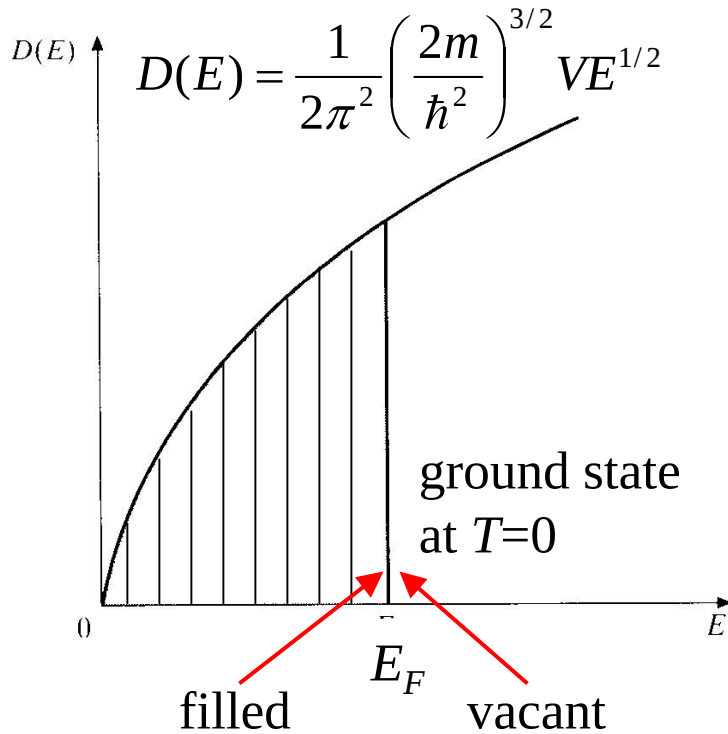


$$E = \frac{\pi^2 \hbar^2}{2mL^2} n^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad n = \frac{L}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2}}$$

Total number of states for energies up to E
 $=$ volume of the piece of the sphere $\times 2$

$$\begin{aligned} N_s &= 2 \frac{1}{8} \frac{4}{3} \pi n^3 = \frac{1}{3} \pi n^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \pi \left(\frac{L}{\pi} \right)^3 \left(\frac{2mE}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{3\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V E^{3/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow dN_s = D(E)dE = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V E^{1/2} dE \quad \rightarrow \quad D(E) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V E^{1/2}$$



Fermi energy E_F

$$N = \int_0^{E_F} D(E) dE = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V \int_0^{E_F} E^{1/2} dE$$

$$= \frac{1}{3\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V E_F^{3/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E_F = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (3\pi^2 \rho)^{2/3}, \quad \rho = \frac{N}{V}$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2 k_F^2}{2m}, \quad \boxed{k_F = (3\pi^2 \rho)^{1/3}}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Thomas-Fermi theory

$$E_{tot} = \int_0^{E_F} E D(E) dE = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V \int_0^{E_F} E^{3/2} dE = \frac{1}{5\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} V E_F^{5/2} = \frac{3}{5} N E_F$$

$$\bar{E} = \frac{E_{tot}}{N} = \frac{3}{5} E_F$$

Thomas-Fermi Theory

N -electron atom: Fermi electron gas in the ground state, confined to a region of space by a central potential $V(r)$ ($V \rightarrow 0, r \rightarrow \infty$). $V(r) = ?, \quad \rho(r) = ?$

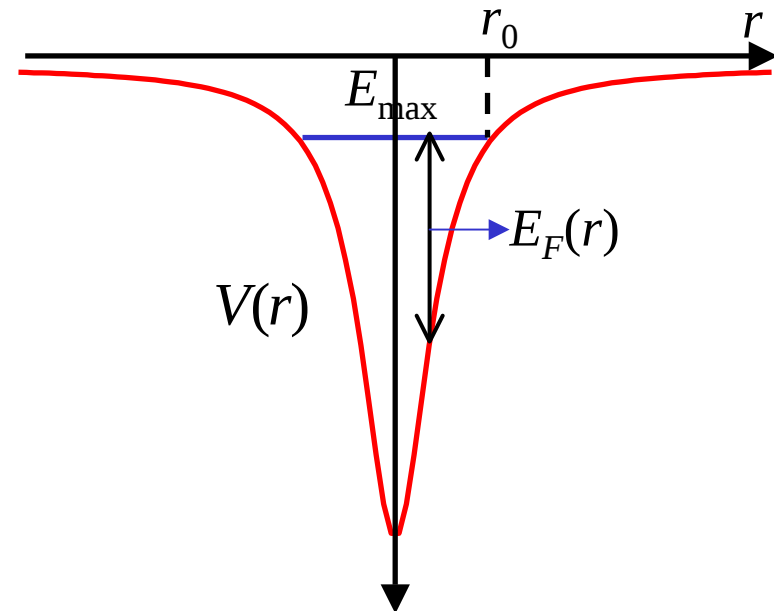
Total energy of an electron $E = \frac{p^2}{2m} + V(r) < 0$, $E_{\max} = E_F + V(r)$
↑
independent of r

$$E_{\max} = \frac{\hbar^2 k_F^2}{2m} + V(r) \rightarrow k_F^2(r) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} [E_{\max} - V(r)], \quad k_F = (3\pi^2 \rho)^{1/3}$$

$$\rho(r) = \frac{k_F^3}{3\pi^2} = \frac{1}{3\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} [E_{\max} - V(r)]^{3/2}$$

$$= 0 \quad (V > E_{\max})$$

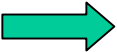
$$E_{\max} = V(r_0) \quad \text{at } r=r_0 : \text{boundary}$$



Electrostatic potential $\phi(r) = -\frac{1}{e}V(r)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(r) &= \phi(r) - \phi_0 \\ \phi_0 &= -\frac{E_{\max}}{e} \end{aligned} \rightarrow \rho(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3\pi^2} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} [e\Phi(r)]^{3/2}, & \Phi \geq 0 \\ 0, & \Phi < 0 \end{cases}$$

Poisson's equation $\nabla^2 \Phi(r) = \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} [r\Phi(r)] = \frac{e}{\epsilon_0} \rho(r)$

 $\frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} [r\Phi(r)] = \begin{cases} \frac{e}{3\pi^2 \epsilon_0} \left(\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} [e\Phi(r)]^{3/2}, & \Phi \geq 0 \\ 0, & \Phi < 0 \end{cases}$

Boundary condition $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r\Phi(r) = \frac{Ze}{4\pi\epsilon_0}$

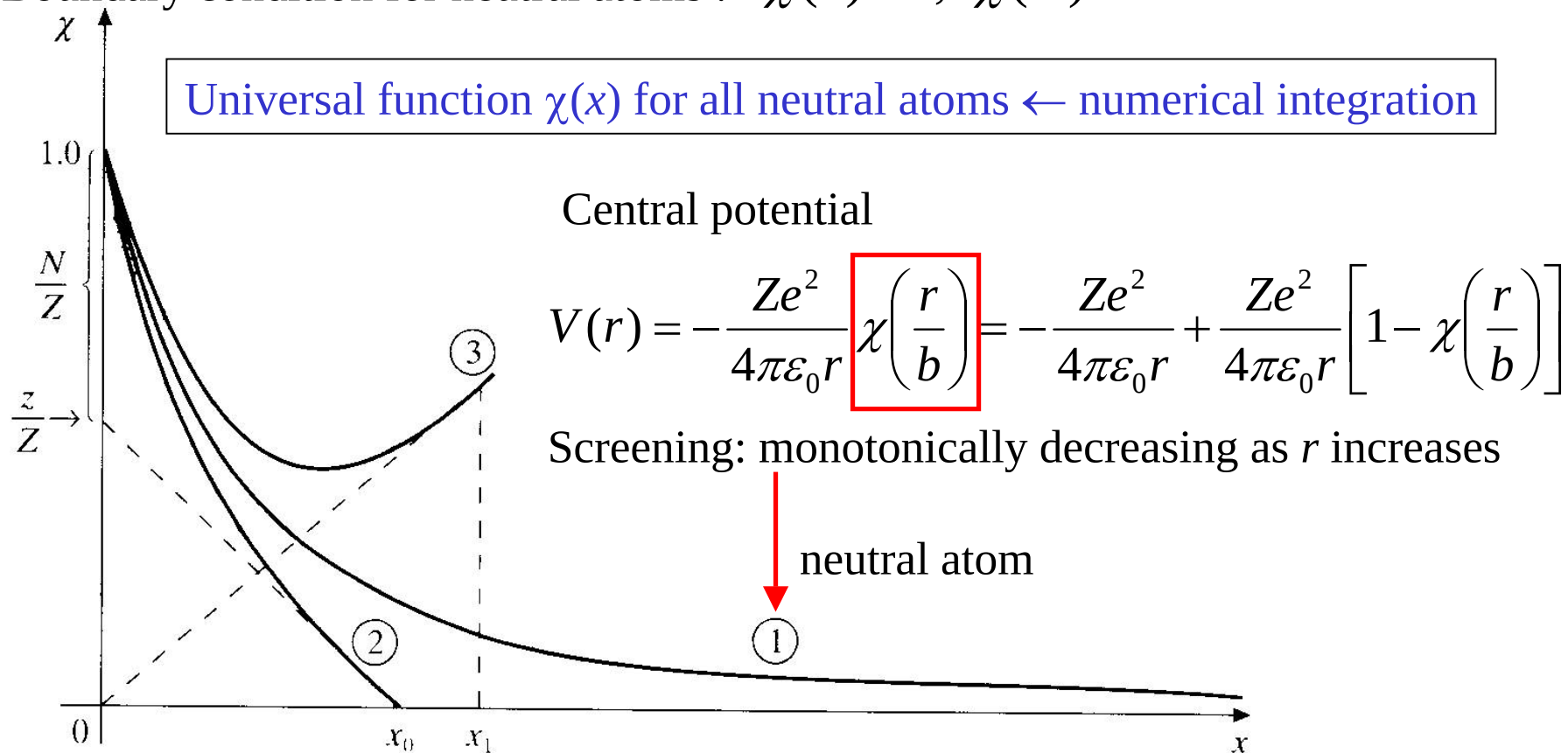
Normalization $4\pi \int_0^{r_0} \rho(r) r^2 dr = N$

Dimensionless variable x and function χ

$$r = bx, \quad r\Phi(r) = \frac{Ze}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \chi(x) \quad \text{where} \quad b = \frac{(3\pi)^{2/3}}{2^{7/3}} a_0 Z^{-1/3}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \chi(x)}{dx^2} = \begin{cases} x^{-1/2} \chi^{3/2}(x), & \chi \geq 0 \\ 0, & \chi < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{Thomas-Fermi equation}$$

Boundary condition for neutral atoms : $\chi(0) = 1, \chi(\infty) = 0$



Hartree-Fock Method: Self-Consistent Field

One electron Schrödinger equation:
$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}}^2 + V^{(0)}(r) \right] u_{nlm_l m_s}^{(1)} = E_{nl}^{(1)} u_{nlm_l m_s}^{(1)}$$

↓ $k=1$

Trial function for N -electron atom: $\Psi_c^{(k)}(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N)$

iteration

Spherically symmetric electrostatic potential energy:

$$V^{(k)}(r) = -\frac{Z}{r} + S^{(k)}(r) \leftarrow \Psi_c^{(k)}(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) \quad \text{self-consistent field}$$

One electron Schrödinger equation:
$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}}^2 + V^{(k)}(r) \right] u_{nlm_l m_s}^{(k+1)} = E_{nl}^{(k+1)} u_{nlm_l m_s}^{(k+1)}$$

Decision diamond: $E^{k+1} - E^k < \delta E ?$

No: $k = k+1$

Yes $f = k+1$

$$\Psi_c^{(f)}(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N), \quad E^{(f)} = \sum_{n,l} E_{nl}^{(f)}$$

Non-relativistic Hamiltonian for N-electron atom $H = H_1 + H_2$

$$H_1 = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^N h_i, \quad h_i = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i}$$

$$H_2 = \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}}$$

Variational method: trial function for N-electron atom = Slater determinant

Expectation value of Hamiltonian (energy) for a trial wave function, Φ

$$E_0 \leq E[\Phi] = \langle \Phi | H | \Phi \rangle, \quad \langle \Phi | \Phi \rangle = 1$$

$$\Phi(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \begin{vmatrix} u_\alpha(q_1) & u_\beta(q_1) & \cdots & u_\nu(q_1) \\ u_\alpha(q_2) & u_\beta(q_2) & \cdots & u_\nu(q_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u_\alpha(q_N) & u_\beta(q_N) & \cdots & u_\nu(q_N) \end{vmatrix}$$

Quantum numbers
 $\alpha, \beta, \dots, \nu$
 $\rightarrow (n, l, m_l, m_s)$

Orthonormal spin-orbitals $\langle u_\mu | u_\lambda \rangle = \int u_\mu^*(q) u_\lambda(q) dq = \delta_{\mu\lambda}$

$$\Phi(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \sum_P (-1)^P P u_\alpha(q_1) u_\beta(q_2) \dots u_\nu(q_N) = \sqrt{N!} A \Phi_H$$

where $A = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_P (-1)^P P$ and $\Phi_H(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N) = u_\alpha(q_1) u_\beta(q_2) \dots u_\nu(q_N)$

Hermitian and projection operator ($A^2 = A$)

H_1 and H_2 are invariant under permutations of the electron coordinates

$$H_1 = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^N h_i, \quad H_2 = \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \rightarrow [H_1, A] = [H_2, A] = 0$$

Energy expectation value for the trial wave function, Φ

$$E[\Phi] = \langle \Phi | H | \Phi \rangle = \langle \Phi | H_1 | \Phi \rangle + \langle \Phi | H_2 | \Phi \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Phi | H_1 | \Phi \rangle &= N! \langle \Phi_H | A H_1 A | \Phi_H \rangle = N! \langle \Phi_H | H_1 A^2 | \Phi_H \rangle = N! \langle \Phi_H | H_1 A | \Phi_H \rangle \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_P (-1)^P \langle \Phi_H | h_i P | \Phi_H \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N \langle \Phi_H | h_i | \Phi_H \rangle \leftarrow \langle u_\mu | u_\lambda \rangle = \delta_{\mu\lambda} \\ &= \sum_\lambda \langle u_\lambda(q_i) | h_i | u_\lambda(q_i) \rangle = \sum_\lambda I_\lambda, \quad I_\lambda = \langle u_\lambda(q_i) | h_i | u_\lambda(q_i) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \Phi | H_2 | \Phi \rangle &= N! \langle \Phi_H | A H_2 A | \Phi_H \rangle = N! \langle \Phi_H | H_2 A^2 | \Phi_H \rangle = N! \langle \Phi_H | H_2 A | \Phi_H \rangle \\
&= \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_P (-1)^P \langle \Phi_H | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} P | \Phi_H \rangle = \sum_{i>j}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \langle \Phi_H | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} (1 - P_{ij}) | \Phi_H \rangle \\
&= \sum_{(\lambda, \mu)} \left[\langle u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} | u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) \rangle - \langle u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} | u_\mu(q_i) u_\lambda(q_j) \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda \neq \mu} \sum_{\mu} \left[\langle u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} | u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) \rangle \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \langle u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} | u_\mu(q_i) u_\lambda(q_j) \rangle \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda \neq \mu} \sum_{\mu} [J_{\lambda\mu} - K_{\lambda\mu}] \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} J_{\lambda\mu} = \langle u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} | u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) \rangle \text{ Direct term} \\ K_{\lambda\mu} = \langle u_\lambda(q_i) u_\mu(q_j) | \frac{1}{r_{ij}} | u_\mu(q_i) u_\lambda(q_j) \rangle \text{ Exchange term} \end{array} \right. \\
\lambda, \mu = \alpha, \beta, \dots, \nu
\end{aligned}$$

Energy expectation value for a trial wave function, Φ

$$E[\Phi] = \langle \Phi | H_1 | \Phi \rangle + \langle \Phi | H_2 | \Phi \rangle = \sum_{\lambda} I_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda} \sum_{\mu} [J_{\lambda\mu} - K_{\lambda\mu}]$$

$E[\Phi]$ is stationary with respect to variations of the spin-orbitals u_{λ} ($\lambda = \alpha, \beta, \dots, \nu$).

Variational equation (p130-136):

$$\delta E - \sum_{\lambda} \sum_{\mu} \varepsilon_{\lambda\mu} \delta \langle u_{\mu} | u_{\lambda} \rangle = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \delta E - \sum_{\lambda} \varepsilon_{\lambda} \delta \langle u_{\lambda} | u_{\lambda} \rangle = 0$$



Lagrange multipliers



diagonalization

Hartree-Fock equations

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) u_{\lambda}(q_i) + \left[\sum_{\mu} \int u_{\mu}^*(q_j) \frac{1}{r_{ij}} u_{\mu}(q_j) dq_j \right] u_{\lambda}(q_i) - \sum_{\mu} \left[\int u_{\mu}^*(q_j) \frac{1}{r_{ij}} u_{\lambda}(q_j) dq_j \right] u_{\mu}(q_i) = E_{\lambda} u_{\lambda}(q_i), \quad \lambda, \mu = \alpha, \beta, \dots, \nu$$

Spin-orbitals: $u_\lambda(q_i) = u_\lambda(\vec{r}_i) \chi_{1/2, m_s^\lambda}$

$= V_\mu^d(\vec{r}_i)$: direct operator

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) u_\lambda(\vec{r}_i) + \left[\sum_\mu \int u_\mu^*(\vec{r}_j) \frac{1}{r_{ij}} u_\mu(\vec{r}_j) d\vec{r}_j \right] u_\lambda(\vec{r}_i) - \sum_\mu \delta_{m_s^\lambda, m_s^\mu} \left[\int u_\mu^*(\vec{r}_j) \frac{1}{r_{ij}} u_\lambda(\vec{r}_j) d\vec{r}_j \right] u_\mu(\vec{r}_i) = E_\lambda u_\lambda(\vec{r}_i), \quad \lambda, \mu = \alpha, \beta, \dots, \nu$$

$= \underline{V_\mu^{ex}(\vec{r}_i)} u_\lambda(\vec{r}_i)$
: exchange operator

→ $\left\{ \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) + \sum_\mu \left[V_\mu^d(\vec{r}_i) - \delta_{m_s^\lambda, m_s^\mu} V_\mu^{ex}(\vec{r}_i) \right] \right\} u_\lambda^{(k+1)}(\vec{r}_i) = E_\lambda u_\lambda^{(k+1)}(\vec{r}_i)$

$u_\mu^{(k)}(\vec{r}_i)$

→ $\left\{ \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{r}_i}^2 - \frac{Z}{r_i} \right) + V^d(r_i) - V^{ex}(r_i) \right\} u_\lambda(\vec{r}_i) = E_\lambda u_\lambda(\vec{r}_i)$

Corrections to the Central Field Approximation

Correlation effects

$$H = H_{HF} + H_1, \quad H_{HF} = \sum_{i=1}^N h_{HF}(i) \quad E_{corr} = E_{exact} - E_{HF} < 0$$

because $E_0 \leq E_{HF} = E[\Phi] = \langle \Phi | H | \Phi \rangle$

Spin-orbit interactions

$$H_2 = \sum_i \xi(r_i) \vec{L}_i \cdot \vec{S}_i, \quad \xi(r_i) = \frac{1}{2m^2 c^2} \frac{1}{r_i} \frac{dV(r_i)}{dr_i} \quad \text{relativistic correction}$$

Total Hamiltonian

$$H = H_{HF} + H_1 + H_2$$

(i) $|H_1| \gg |H_2|$ L-S (or Russell-Saunders) coupling case:
small and intermediate Z

(ii) $|H_1| \ll |H_2|$ j-j coupling case: large Z

L-S Coupling

Unperturbed Hamiltonian $H = H_{HF} + H_1$ where $|H_1| \gg |H_2|$

Energy eigenstate of H_{HF} , $|\gamma\rangle$ (γ : level configuration of H_c) is degenerated.

e.g. carbon atom, C, $1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$, $g=15$

H_1 lifts part of the degeneracy, but not completely: 3 states. 1S , 1D , 3P

Since $[H, \vec{L}] = [H, \vec{S}] = 0$ where $\vec{L} = \sum_i \vec{L}_i$, $\vec{S} = \sum_i \vec{S}_i$,

→ energy eigenstates can be written as $|\gamma L S M_L M_S\rangle$

→ Energy eigenvalues are independent of M_L and M_S . $|\gamma L S\rangle$

Terms: energy levels corresponding to definite values of L and S , ^{2S+1}L

Multiplicity: $2S+1 = 1(\text{singlet}), 2(\text{doublet}), 3(\text{triplet}), 4, \dots$

$L = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$
 $S, P, D, F, \dots$

Closed subshell: $L=0, S=0$, 1S

Incomplete subshells: optically active electrons

1. Non-equivalent electrons: electrons belonging to different subshells

Pauli exclusion principle is automatically satisfied.

Addition of angular momentum $\vec{L} = \vec{L}_1 + \vec{L}_2$ and $\vec{S} = \vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2$

$$L = |l_1 - l_2|, |l_1 - l_2| + 1, \dots, l_1 + l_2$$

$$S = |s_1 - s_2|, |s_1 - s_2| + 1, \dots, s_1 + s_2$$

(i) Configuration $np\ n'p$

$$l_1 = l_2 = 1, \quad s_1 = s_2 = 1/2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad L = 0, 1, 2, \quad S = 0, 1$$

Terms: $^1S, ^1P, ^1D, ^3S, ^3P, ^3D$

(ii) Configuration $np\ n'd$

$$l_1 = 1, l_2 = 2, \quad s_1 = s_2 = 1/2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad L = 1, 2, 3, \quad S = 0, 1$$

Terms: $^1P, ^1D, ^1F, ^3P, ^3D, ^3F$

(iii) Configuration $np\ n'p\ n''d$

configuration $np\ n'p\ \ l_1 = 0, 1, 2, \quad s_1 = 0, 1$

+ configuration $n''d\ \ l_2 = 2, \quad s_2 = 1/2$

$$^1S (l_1 = 0, s_1 = 0) \rightarrow L = 2, S = 1/2, \quad ^2D$$

$$^1P (l_1 = 1, s_1 = 0) \rightarrow L = 1, 2, 3, S = 1/2, \quad ^2P, ^2D, ^2F$$

$$^1D (l_1 = 2, s_1 = 0) \rightarrow L = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, S = 1/2, \quad ^2S, ^2P, ^2D, ^2F, ^2G$$

$$^3S (l_1 = 0, s_1 = 1) \rightarrow L = 2, S = 1/2, 3/2, \quad ^2D, ^4D$$

$$^3P (l_1 = 1, s_1 = 1) \rightarrow L = 1, 2, 3, S = 1/2, 3/2, \quad ^2P, ^2D, ^2F, ^4P, ^4D, ^4F$$

$$^3D (l_1 = 2, s_1 = 1) \rightarrow L = 1, 2, 3, 4, S = 1/2, 3/2, \quad ^2S, ^2P, ^2D, ^2F, ^2G, \\ ^4S, ^4P, ^4D, ^4F, ^4G$$

Terms: $^2S, ^2P, ^2D, ^2F, ^2G, ^4S, ^4P, ^4D, ^4F, ^4G$

Number of identical terms: 2 4 6 4 2 2 3 2

2. Equivalent electrons: electrons belonging to same subshells

Pauli exclusion principle rules out certain values of L and S .

(i) Configuration ns^2

Closed subshell: $M_L, M_S = 0 \rightarrow L=0, S=0$, term 1S

$$l_1 = l_2 = 0, \quad s_1 = s_2 = 1/2 \Rightarrow L = 0, \quad S = 0, 1$$

Terms: 1S , 3S  Not allowed because of the Pauli exclusion principle

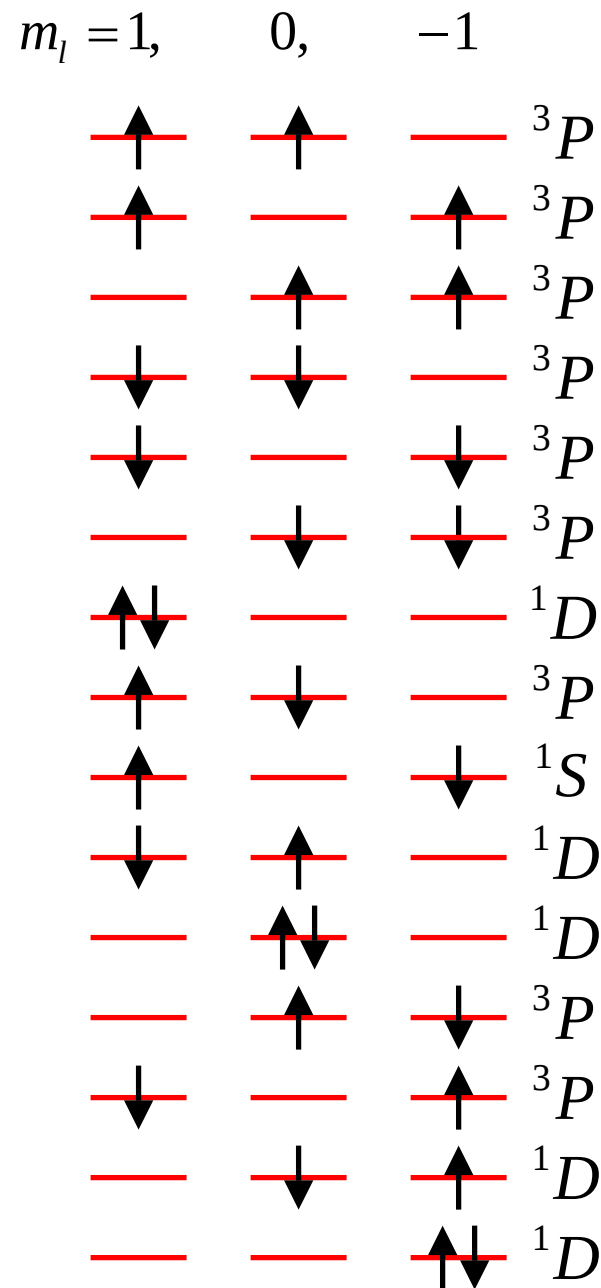
(ii) Configuration np^2 , $g = 15$

$$l_1 = l_2 = 1, \quad s_1 = s_2 = 1/2 \Rightarrow L = 0, 1, 2, \quad S = 0, 1$$

Terms: 1S , 1P , 1D , 3S , 3P , 3D

  
Not allowed because of the Pauli exclusion principle

Number	m_{l1}	m_{s1}	m_{l2}	m_{s2}	M_L $= m_{l1} + m_{l2}$	M_S $= m_{s1} + m_{s2}$
1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1
2	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1
3	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	-1	1
4	1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	1	-1
5	1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	-1
6	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1	-1
7	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	2	0
8	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	1	0
9	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
10	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	1	0
11	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
12	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1	0
13	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
14	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1	0
15	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-2	0



Terms: 1S , 1P , 1D , 3S , 3P , 3D

$(M_L = 2, M_S = 1)$ is missing : no 3D , $(L = 2, S = 1)$

$(M_L = 2, M_S = 0)$ $(M_L = -2, M_S = 0)$: term with $L=2$ must exist.

$\rightarrow ^1D$, $(L = 2, S = 0)$
degeneracy = 5

$(M_L = 1, M_S = 1)$ $(M_L = -1, M_S = -1)$... : term with $L=1, S=1$ must exist.

$\rightarrow ^3P$, $(L = 1, S = 1)$
degeneracy = 9

5+9=14 : eliminate 1P and 3S

$(M_L = 0, M_S = 0)$  1D

 3P

 $\longrightarrow ^1S$ degeneracy = 1

Fine Structure of terms in L-S coupling

Total Hamiltonian

$$H = \underline{H_{HF}} + H_1 + H_2 \quad H_1 \quad \text{Correlation effects}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} {}^{2S+1}L \\ \text{Energy eigenstates} \end{array} \quad H_2 = \sum_i \xi(r_i) \vec{L}_i \cdot \vec{S}_i, \quad \xi(r_i) = \frac{1}{2m^2 c^2} \frac{1}{r_i} \frac{dV(r_i)}{dr_i}$$

Spin-orbit interactions

$$|H_1| \gg |H_2| \quad \text{L-S (or Russell-Saunders) coupling case}$$

$$[H_2, \vec{L}] \neq 0, \quad [H_2, \vec{S}] \neq 0 \quad \text{but} \quad [H_2, \vec{J}] = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad \vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$$

$$H_2 = \bar{A} \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{A} (J^2 - L^2 - S^2)$$

H_2 lifts part of the degeneracy of a state represented by a term ${}^{2S+1}L \rightarrow {}^{2S+1}L_J$

$$J = |L - S|, |L - S| + 1, \dots, L + S$$

Degeneracy ^{2S+1}L

$$g = (2L+1)(2S+1)$$

→

$^{2S+1}L_J$

$$g = \sum_{J=|L-S|}^{L+S} (2J+1) = (2L+1)(2S+1)$$

Configuration $np\ n'p$

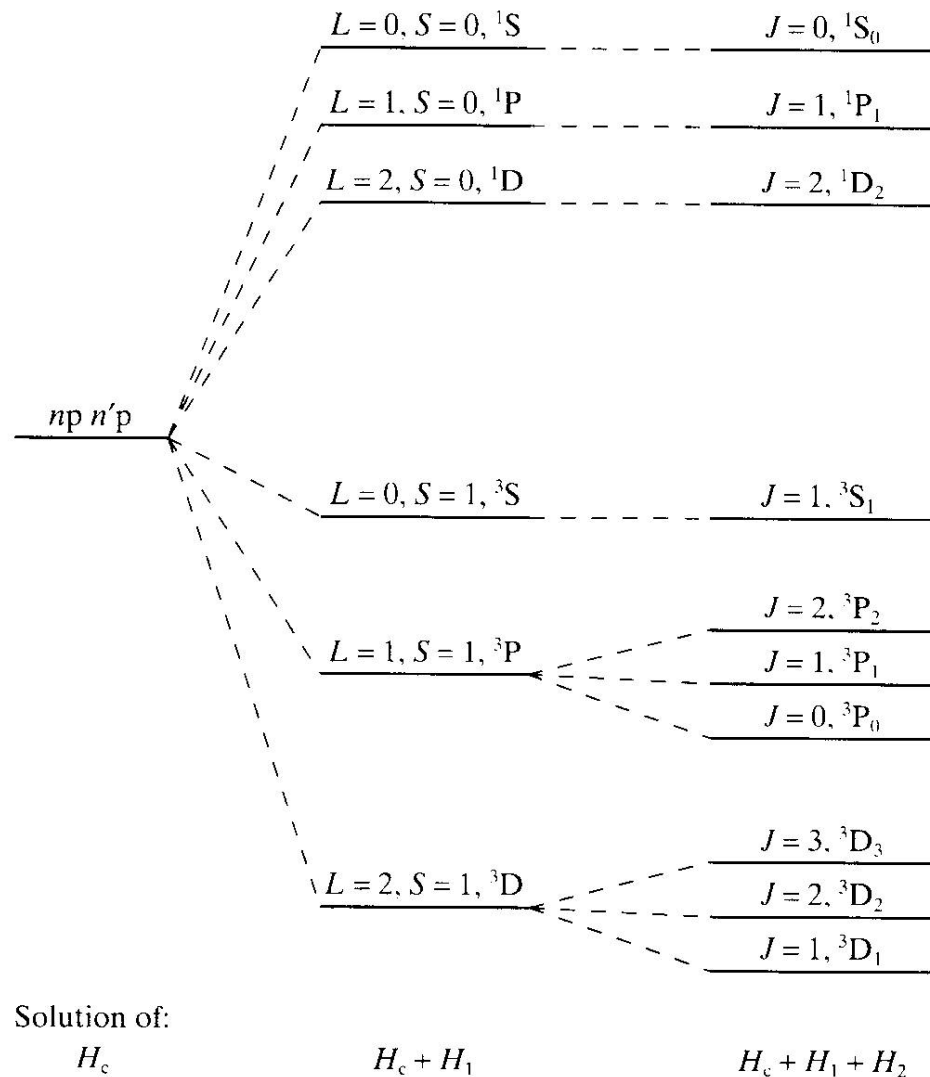
$$l_1 = l_2 = 1, \quad s_1 = s_2 = 1/2$$

$$\Rightarrow L = 0, 1, 2, \quad S = 0, 1$$

Terms: $^1S, ^1P, ^1D, ^3S, ^3P, ^3D$

Hund's rules

1. For given term,
largest $S \rightarrow$ lowest energy
2. For given S ,
largest $L \rightarrow$ lowest energy



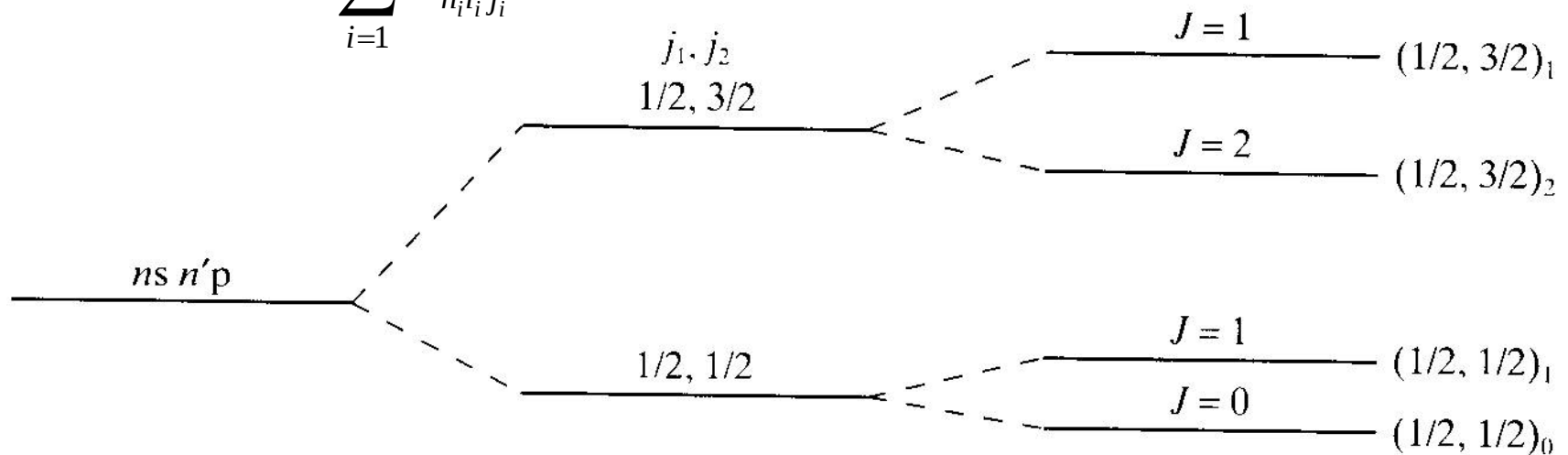
***j-j* Coupling**

$$|H_1| \ll |H_2| \quad H_2 = \sum_i \xi(r_i) \vec{L}_i \cdot \vec{S}_i, \quad \xi(r_i) = \frac{1}{2m^2 c^2} \frac{1}{r_i} \frac{dV(r_i)}{dr_i}$$

Hamiltonian $\tilde{H} = H_{HF} + H_2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \tilde{h}_i = \sum_{i=1}^N (h_i + \xi(r_i) \vec{L}_i \cdot \vec{S}_i)$

$$\tilde{h}_i = h_i + \frac{1}{2} \xi(r_i) (J_i^2 - L_i^2 - S_i^2) \quad [h_i, \vec{J}_i] \rightarrow |n_i l_i j_i\rangle$$

Energy $\tilde{E} = \sum_{i=1}^N E_{n_i l_i j_i}$



Solution of:

$$H_c$$

$$H_c + H_2$$

$$H_c + H_1 + H_2$$