

REMARK ON THE MANY-BODY PROBLEM FOR COMPOSITE PARTICLES

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Abstract: The dependence of symmetry conditions related to the exchange of electron and nuclei between atoms in a Girardeau's theory for many atom problem, is studied. Effects of interatomic exchange of electrons are incorporated into the »projected Hamiltonian« so that, when exchanges of electrons between atoms vanish, it tends to the Hamiltonian in which only the permutations of atoms as a whole are incorporated.

1. Introduction

Recently, in a series of papers,^{1, 2, 3)} M. D. Girardeau has formulated a representation of second quantisation for the nonrelativistic system of composite particles, in such a way as to take into account the existence of composite particles. We think that some proofs from that theory can be generalised and several remarks can be made. Therefore, we will express the principal ideas and results of papers^{1, 2, 3)} together with our new results.

For the sake of definiteness, as composite particles are considered identical atoms, each containing one nucleus and l electrons. The wave function for the system of n such atoms is a function of position and one spin component (z component) of all nuclei $X_i = (R_i, \Sigma_i)$ and electrons $x_j = (r_j, \sigma_j)$ and can be expanded in terms of the single atom wave functions as follows

$$\psi(X_1 \dots X_n x_1 \dots x_{ln}) = \sum_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n) \varphi_{\alpha_1}(X_1 x_1 \dots x_l) \dots \varphi_{\alpha_n}(X_n x_{ln-l+1} \dots x_{ln}), \quad (1.1.)$$

with coefficients

$$C(a_1 \dots a_n) = \int \varphi_{a_1}^*(X x_1 \dots x_l) \dots \varphi_{a_n}^*(X_n x_{l_n-l+1} \dots x_{l_n}) \cdot \psi(X_1 \dots X_n x_1 \dots x_{l_n}) dX_1 \dots dX_n dx_1 \dots dx_{l_n}. \quad (1.2)$$

Single atom wave functions $\varphi_a(X x_1 \dots x_l)$ form an orthonormal and complete set

$$\int \varphi_a^*(X x_1 \dots x_l) \varphi_b(X x_1 \dots x_l) dX dx_1 \dots dx_l = \delta_{ab}$$

$$\sum_a \varphi_a^*(X x_1 \dots x_l) \varphi_a(X' x'_1 \dots x'_l) = (l!)^{-1} \delta(X - X') \cdot \sum_{P'} (-1)^p P' [\delta(x_1 - x'_1) \dots \delta(x_l - x'_l)]. \quad (1.3)$$

Symbol \int stands for the integration over space coordinates and summation over spins, $\sum_{P'}$ denotes a sum over all permutations P' of primed variables, $p(P')$ is the parity of the permutation P' .

In order that the functions $\psi(X_1 \dots X_n x_1 \dots x_{l_n})$ would be symmetric or antisymmetric in nuclear coordinates and antisymmetric in electron coordinates, author of referenced papers shows that it is necessary that functions $C(a_1 \dots a_n)$ satisfy the following conditions

$$C(a_1 \dots a_l \dots a_k \dots a_n) = (-1)^{2J+1} C(a_1 \dots a_k \dots a_l \dots a_n), \quad (1.4)$$

$$\sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_{elec} | \alpha\beta) C(a_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots a_n) = -C(a_1 \dots \alpha_p \dots \alpha_q \dots a_n), \quad (1.5)$$

$$\sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_{nuc} | \alpha\beta) C(a_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots a_n) = (-1)^{2J} C(a_1 \dots \alpha_p \dots \alpha_q \dots a_n). \quad (1.6)$$

J is the nuclear spin.

Matrix elements of the exchange operators I_{nuc} and I_{elec} for nuclei and electrons are defined in terms of nucleus and electron exchange integrals

$$(\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_{elec} | \alpha\beta) = \int \varphi_{\alpha_p}^*(X x_1 \dots x_l) \varphi_{\alpha_q}^*(X' x'_1 \dots x'_l) \cdot \varphi_{\alpha'}(X x'_1 x_2 \dots x_l) \varphi_{\beta}(X' x'_1 x'_2 \dots x'_l) dX dx_1 \dots dx_l dX' dx'_1 \dots dx'_l \quad (1.7)$$

$$(\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_{nuc} | \alpha\beta) = \int \varphi_{\alpha_p}^*(X x_1 \dots x_l) \varphi_{\alpha_q}^*(X' x'_1 \dots x'_l) \cdot \varphi_{\alpha}(X' x_1 \dots x_l) \varphi_{\beta}(X x'_1 x'_2 \dots x'_l) dX dx_1 \dots dx_l dX' dx'_1 \dots dx'_l.$$

In that paper we will prove that the above three conditions are not mutually independent and we shall show to which consequences, in connection with the other results of the original theory, this leads.

In referenced papers has been developed a representation in terms of atomic annihilation and creation operators a_a and a_a^\dagger for atoms in single atom states $\varphi_a(X x_1 \dots x_i)$. These operators satisfy Bose or Fermi commutation relations

$$a_a a_\beta^\dagger - (-1)^{2J+I} a_\beta^\dagger a_a = \delta_{a\beta}, \quad (1.8)$$

$$a_a a_\beta - (-1)^{2J+I} a_\beta a_a = 0.$$

Hamiltonian and total atom number operator in that representation are given by

$$H = T + V_0 + V', \quad (1.9)$$

$$T = \sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha | T | \beta) a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta,$$

$$V = \sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha | V | \beta) a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta, \quad (1.10)$$

$$V' = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} (\alpha\beta | V' | \gamma\delta) a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger a_\gamma a_\delta,$$

$$N = \sum_a a_a^\dagger a_a, \quad (1.11)$$

where matrix elements are

$$(\alpha | T | \beta) = \int \varphi_\alpha^*(X x_1 \dots x_i) [T(X) + \sum_{j=1}^I T(x_j)] \varphi_\beta(X x_1 \dots x_i) dX dx_1 \dots dx_i,$$

$$(\alpha | V | \beta) = \int \varphi_\alpha^*(X x_1 \dots x_i) [\sum_{j=1}^I V(X x_j) + \sum_{j < k=1}^I V(x_j x_k)] \varphi_\beta(X x_1 \dots x_i) dX dx_1 \dots dx_i,$$

$$(\alpha\beta | V' | \gamma\delta) = \int \varphi_\alpha^*(X x_1 \dots x_i) \varphi_\beta^*(X' x'_1 \dots x'_j) [V(XX') + \sum_{j=1}^I (V(X x'_j) +$$

$$+ V(X' x_j)) + \sum_{j,k=1}^I V(x_j x'_k)] \varphi_\gamma(X x_1 \dots x_i) \varphi_\delta(X' x'_1 \dots x'_j) dX dx_1 \dots$$

$$\dots dx_i dX' dx'_1 \dots dx'_j.$$

Subsidiary conditions (1.5) and (1.6) can be written in a new representation too:

$$I_{elec} | C_n \rangle \equiv \left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} (\alpha\beta | I_{elec} | \gamma\delta) a_{\alpha}^{\dagger} a_{\beta}^{\dagger} a_{\delta} a_{\gamma} \right] | C_n \rangle = \\ = - [n(n-1)/2] | C_n \rangle, \quad (1.13)$$

$$I_{nuc} | C_n \rangle \equiv \left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} (\alpha\beta | I_{nuc} | \gamma\delta) a_{\alpha}^{\dagger} a_{\beta}^{\dagger} a_{\delta} a_{\gamma} \right] | C_n \rangle = (-1)^{2j} \frac{n(n-1)}{2} | C_n \rangle. \quad (1.14)$$

The space of all n atom wave functions $C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n) \equiv \langle \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n | C_n \rangle$ satisfying the last equations is completely equivalent to the space of all n nuclei, ln electrons wave functions $\psi(X_1 \dots X_n x_1 \dots x_{ln})$ (with proper statistics).

2. The determination of independent symmetry conditions

Affirmation:

If functions $C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n)$ satisfy Eqs. (1.4) and (1.5) they satisfy automatically Equ. (1.6).

Proof:

As in Ref.³⁾ we define

$$(\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_j | \alpha \beta) \equiv \int \varphi_{\alpha_p}^*(X x_1 \dots x_i) \varphi_{\alpha_q}^*(X' x'_1 \dots x'_i) \cdot \\ \cdot \varphi_{\alpha}(X x_1 \dots x'_j x_{j+1} \dots x_i) \varphi_{\beta}(X x_1 \dots x_j x'_{j+1} \dots x'_i) dX dx_1 \dots dx_i dX' dx'_1 \dots dx'_i. \quad (2.1)$$

Also, we have

$$(\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_{nuc} | \alpha \beta) = (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_l | \beta \alpha) = (\alpha_q \alpha_p | I_l | \alpha \beta), \quad (2.2)$$

$$(\alpha \beta | I_0 | \gamma \delta) = \delta_{\alpha\gamma} \delta_{\beta\delta}. \quad (2.3)$$

Using the completeness relation for the functions $\varphi_{\alpha}(X x_1 \dots x_i)$ and their antisymmetry properties with respect to x_i , one shows that there exist some relations between matrix elements $(\alpha \beta | I_j | \gamma \delta)$ for different j . We will use the relation³⁾

$$(\alpha \beta | I_j I_{1p} | \gamma \delta) \equiv \sum_{\alpha_p \alpha_q} (\alpha \beta | I_1 | \alpha_p \alpha_q) (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_j | \gamma \delta) = \\ = (1/l^2) \{ (l-j)^2 (\alpha \beta | I_{j+1} | \gamma \delta) - 2j(l-j) (\alpha \beta | I_j | \gamma \delta) + j^2 (\alpha \beta | I_{j-1} | \\ | \gamma \delta) \}, \quad j \leq l, (I_{l+1} = 0).$$

Now we can proceed in two steps. First, we prove:

If functions $C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n)$ satisfy (1.5) they satisfy also the equation

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_j | \alpha \beta) C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) = \\ & = - \sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_{j-1} | \alpha \beta) C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n), \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

for all $j = 1 \dots, l$.

From the fact that Equ. (2.5) is true for $j = 1$ (Equ. (1.5)) and the prediction that it is true for some j , we prove that Equ. (2.5) is true also for $j + 1$.

Multiplying Equ. (1.5) with $(\gamma \delta | I_j | \alpha_p \alpha_q)$ and summing over α_p, α_q one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\alpha\beta} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) \sum_{\alpha_p \alpha_q} (\gamma \delta | I_j | \alpha_p \alpha_q) (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_1 | \alpha \beta) = \\ & = - \sum_{\alpha_p \alpha_q} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_p \dots \alpha_q \dots \alpha_n) (\gamma \delta | I_j | \alpha_p \alpha_q). \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

With the aid of Equ. (2.4), Equ. (2.6) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\alpha\beta} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) [1 - 2j(l-j)/l^2] (\gamma \delta | I_j | \alpha \beta) = \\ & = - (1/l^2) \sum_{\alpha\beta} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) [(l-j)^2 (\gamma \delta | I_{j+1} | \\ & \quad | \alpha \beta) + j^2 (\gamma \delta | I_{j-1} | \alpha \beta)]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

In Equ. (2.7) the expression $\sum_{\alpha\beta} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha \dots \beta \dots \alpha_n) (\gamma \delta | I_{j-1} | \alpha \beta)$ can be replaced by $-\sum_{\alpha\beta} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha \dots \beta \dots \alpha_n) (\gamma \delta | I_j | \alpha \beta)$. After elementary calculations one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\alpha\beta} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) (\gamma \delta | I_{j+1} | \alpha \beta) = \\ & = - \sum_{\alpha\beta} C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) (\gamma \delta | I_j | \alpha \beta). \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

It is proved therefore that: if (1.5) is satisfied, from the assumption that (2.5) is valid for arbitrary j follows that it is valid for $j + 1$ too.

The second step is to combine Equ. (2.5) and Equ. (1.5)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_j | \alpha \beta) C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) = \\ & = (-1)^j C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_p \dots \alpha_q \dots \alpha_n). \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

For $j = l$ Equ. (2.9) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\alpha\beta} (\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_l | \alpha \beta) C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{p-1} \alpha \alpha_{p+1} \dots \alpha_{q-1} \beta \alpha_{q+1} \dots \alpha_n) = \\ = (-1)^l C(\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_p \dots \alpha_q \dots \alpha_n). \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

Replacing $(\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_l | \alpha \beta)$ in (2.10) by $(\alpha_p \alpha_q | I_{nu.} | \beta \alpha)$ and using Equ. (1.4) one obtains Equ. (1.6).

Therefore, our proof is concluded.

The consequences are the following:

- the operator equation (1.13) is equivalent to the set of Eqs. (1.4), (1.5) and (1.6) i. e. if $|C_n\rangle$ satisfies eigenvalue problem (1.13) it satisfies (1.14) automatically;
- the zero-temperature n atom problem is that of finding simultaneous eigenstates of Hamiltonian H

$$H |C_n\rangle = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |C_n\rangle \quad (2.11)$$

of total number operator N with the eigenvalue n

$$N |C_n\rangle = n |C_n\rangle, \quad (2.12)$$

and of the operator I_{elec} with the eigenvalue $-n(n-1)/2$

$$I_{elec} |C_n\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} n(n-1) |C_n\rangle; \quad (2.13)$$

- the identity

$$\mathcal{P}_{elec} = \mathcal{P}_{nuc} \mathcal{P}_{elec}, \quad (2.14)$$

proved in³⁾ for two atom subspace, is true for any number of atoms in the system. \mathcal{P}_{nuc} and \mathcal{P}_{elec} are the projection operators which project onto the subspace of eigenstates of I_{elec} with eigen value $-n(n-1)/2$ and of I_{nuc} with the eigen value $(-1)^{2J} n(n-1)/2$, respectively;

- since the independent constants of motion are H , N and I_{elec} the formulation of the non zero temperature problem is now some what different from what was originally given.

Namely, the usual grand partition function is generalized in the following way

$$Z = Tr \exp [-\beta (H - \mu N + \gamma_{elec} I_{elec})]. \quad (2.15)$$

The appropriate density operator is defined as

$$\rho = Z^{-1} \exp [-\beta (H - \mu N + \gamma_{\text{elec}} I_{\text{elec}})], \quad (2.16)$$

$\beta = (kT)^{-1}$, k Boltzmann constant, T the absolute temperature, μ is the atomic chemical potential, γ_{elec} is Lagrange multiplier associated with the subsidiary condition (1.13). μ and γ_{elec} are determined by the coupled equations

$$-\left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial \mu}\right)_{\beta, \gamma_{\text{elec}}} = \langle N \rangle = n, \quad (2.17)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial W}{\partial \gamma_{\text{elec}}}\right)_{\beta, \mu} = \langle I_{\text{elec}} \rangle = -\frac{1}{2} n(n-1), \quad (2.18)$$

and W is the generalized thermodynamical potential related to Z by

$$Z = \exp(-\beta W). \quad (2.19)$$

3. The projected Hamiltonian

Since the operator I_{elec} has the same general structure as the interatomic interaction Hamiltonian V' , to satisfy the subsidiary condition (1.5) would be as difficult as solving interatomic interaction exactly. This is why in the paper³⁾ was defined a «projected Hamiltonian» in which the subsidiary conditions (1.5) and (1.6) are incorporated as additional effective interatomic exchange interactions, which can then be treated approximately along, with the interatomic Coulomb interactions V' . The projected Hamiltonian is defined as follows

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{P}_{\text{nuc}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} H \equiv \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} H, \quad (3.1)$$

where

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} |C_n\rangle = |C_n\rangle, \quad (3.2)$$

if

$$[I_1 + \frac{1}{2} n(n-1)] |C_n\rangle = 0, \quad (3.3)$$

and

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}^2 = \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}, \quad (3.4)$$

$$[H, \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}] = [\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} H]. \quad (3.5)$$

Using (3.4) and (3.5) one can easily show that for eigenstates of \mathcal{H} the following set of equations is valid

$$\mathcal{H} |C_n\rangle = H |C_n\rangle = E |C_n\rangle. \quad (3.6)$$

We think that two remarks can be made regarding the definition (3.1) of the projected Hamiltonian:

- the operator $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} H$ with $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}^2 = \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ is not the unique operator whose eigenstates satisfy the subsidiary condition (1.13). Eigenstates of the operator

$$\mathcal{H}' \equiv \mathcal{P}'_{\text{elec}} H \equiv b \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} H, \quad (3.7)$$

where b is a real number, satisfy the subsidiary condition (1.13) too.

Suppose that $|C_n\rangle$ is an eigenstate of \mathcal{H}' with the eigenvalue E'

$$\mathcal{H}' |C_n\rangle = E' |C_n\rangle. \quad (3.8)$$

Using (3.4) and (3.5) one gets

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} |C_n\rangle &= \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} \frac{1}{E'} \mathcal{P}'_{\text{elec}} H |C_n\rangle = \frac{b}{E'} \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}^2 H |C_n\rangle = \\ &= \frac{b}{E'} \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} H |C_n\rangle = \frac{\mathcal{P}'_{\text{elec}} H}{E'} |C_n\rangle = |C_n\rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

Therefore $|C_n\rangle$ satisfies (3.3) because $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ is defined as the operator which projects onto the subspace of the operator I_{elec} with eigenvalue $-n(n-1)/2$. But eigenvalues of \mathcal{H}' for different b have different values. (Especially, for $b=1$ we have the Hamiltonian \mathcal{H} as defined in Ref³⁾), and

- Equ. (3.6) as the direct consequence of (3.1) and (3.4) means that \mathcal{H} and H have the same eigenvalue, or that exchanges of electrons between different atoms do not contribute to the total energy of the system, which, as we know from more elementary theories on the problem, is not true.

We think that the second problem can be resolved if we define the projected Hamiltonian as in (3.7) where b is to be found from the condition that the limit of the operator \mathcal{H}' when $I_j \rightarrow 0$ for all $j=1, \dots, l$ (no exchanges of electrons between different atoms) is equal H

$$\lim_{I_j \rightarrow 0, j=1, \dots, l} \mathcal{H}' = H. \quad (3.10)$$

Now, it is necessary to find an explicit expression for $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$. In the original paper dealing with this problem, it has been concluded that operators I_0, I_1, \dots, I_l , within the two atom state space form an algebra; therefore, the projection operator $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ (here after we work within a two atom subspace) can be supposed as a linear combination of these operators

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} = I_0 + \sum_{j=1}^l c_j I_j, \quad (3.11)$$

where

$$I'_j = I_j - (-1)^j I_0. \quad (3.12)$$

Constants c_1, \dots, c_l should be found so that the Equ. (3.4) and the Equ.

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} I'_1 = 0, \quad (3.13)$$

which is a consequence of Eqs. (3.2) and (3.3), are satisfied.

In fact, it is shown in the Appendix that the operator

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} = m_l (I_0 + \sum_{j=1}^l a_j I_j), \quad (3.14)$$

with coefficients

$$m_l = \frac{(l!)^2}{(2l)!}; \quad a_j = (-1)^j \binom{l}{j}^2, \quad (3.15)$$

satisfies (3.13) and (3.4). In the two atom subspace the operator I_0 is the unit operator. Because of this, it is evident that

$$\lim_{I_j \rightarrow 0, j=1, \dots, l} H (I_0 + \sum_{j=1}^l a_j I_j) = H + \lim_{I_j \rightarrow 0} \sum_{j=1}^l a_j H I_j = H. \quad (3.16)$$

Therefore, the operator

$$\mathcal{H}' = H + \sum_{j=1}^l a_j H I_j, \quad (3.17)$$

satisfies the condition (3.10) and its eigenstates have a proper statistics with respect to the exchange of electrons between different atoms.

Putting all terms into normal order with the aid of (1.8) and truncating the terms of the order higher than four (in the two atom subspace these terms do not contribute) we obtain the following expression for the projected Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H}' = H + V_{\text{ex}} = H_0 + V' + V_{\text{ex}}, \quad (3.18)$$

$$V_{\text{ex}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} (\alpha \beta | V_{\text{ex}} | \gamma \delta) a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger a_\delta a_\gamma. \quad (3.19)$$

The matrix elements of the exchange interaction V_{ex} are

$$(\alpha \beta | V_{\text{ex}} | \gamma \delta) = \sum_{j=1}^l a_j (\alpha \beta | V_j | \gamma \delta) + (\varepsilon_\alpha + \varepsilon_\beta) \sum_{j=1}^l a_j (\alpha \beta | I_j | \gamma \delta), \quad (3.21)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha\beta | V_J | \gamma \delta) &= \int \varphi_\alpha^*(X x_1 \dots x_i) \varphi_\beta^*(X' x'_1 \dots x'_i) V'(XX' x_1 \dots x_i x'_1 \dots x'_i) \\
 &\cdot \varphi_\gamma(X x'_1 \dots x'_j x_{j+1} \dots x_i) \varphi_\delta(X' x_1 \dots x_j x'_{j+1} \dots x'_i) dX dx_1 \dots dx_i dX' dx'_1 \dots dx'_i,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.22}$$

$$\varepsilon_\alpha = (\alpha | H_0 | \alpha) = (\alpha | T + V_0 | \alpha),$$

$V'(XX' x_1 \dots x_i x'_1 \dots x'_i)$ is the interatomic interaction

$$\begin{aligned}
 V'(XX' x_1 \dots x_i x'_1 \dots x'_i) &= V(XX') + \sum_{j=1}^l [V(Xx'_j) + V(X'x_j)] + \\
 &+ \sum_{k,j=1}^l V(x_j x'_k).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.23}$$

The form of our operator (3.19) is the same as the form of the exchange operator given in Ref³⁾, but the corresponding matrix elements in these two operators are not equal. At the same time our exchange operator tends to zero when exchange integrals tend to zero, while the original V_{ex} tends under the same conditions to the operator $(m_i - 1)H$. On the other hand, eigenvalues of our operator V_{ex} are different from zero, (exchanges of electrons between atoms contribute to the total energy of the system), until all eigenvalues of the original exchange operator are equal zero. It is evident that these distinctions come from the difference in the definition of the projected Hamiltonian in our and the referenced article.

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APPENDIX

If $|C_n\rangle$ is an eigenstate of I_j with the eigenvalue $-n(n-1)/2$

$$I'_1 |C_n\rangle \equiv (I_1 + \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)) |C_n\rangle = 0, \tag{1}$$

it is necessary that

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} |C_n\rangle \equiv (I_0 + \sum_{j=1}^l c_j I'_j) |C_n\rangle = |C_n\rangle, \tag{2}$$

i. e. the first necessary condition which $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ has to satisfy is

$$I'_1 \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} = 0. \quad (3)$$

Another necessary condition is

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}^2 = \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}. \quad (4)$$

Let us prove: the operator $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ whose coefficients c_j are determined so that it satisfies (3) will satisfy the condition (4) as well.

In the two atom subspace these relations are valid

$$(I'_1)^2 = 2 l^{-2} (l^2 - l + 1) I'_1 + l^{-2} (l - 1)^2 I'_2, \quad (5)$$

$$I'_1 I'_j = -(-1)^j I'_1 + \left(\frac{j}{l}\right)^2 I'_{j-1} + l^{-2} (l^2 - 2jl + 2j^2) I'_j + \\ + l^{-2} (l - j)^2 I'_{j+1}; \quad j \geq 2 \text{ [for } j = l, I'_{j+1} = 0]. \quad (6)$$

Equ. (5) means that within the two atom subspace I'_2 is a second order polynomial in I'_1 without a zero order term. Using Eqs. (5) and (6) for $j = 2$ we have

$$I'_3 = a_{33} I'^3_1 + a_{32} I'^2_1 + a_{31} I'_1, \quad (7)$$

where a_{33} , a_{32} and a_{31} are constants. Similarly, using (6) we can show that

$$I'_j = a_{jj} I'^j_1 + a_{j,j-1} I'^{j-1}_1 + \dots + a_{j-1} I'_1; \quad j = 1, \dots, l. \quad (8)$$

Equ. (8) can be written in the form

$$I'_j = I'_1 \cdot A_{j-1}, \quad (9)$$

where A_{j-1} is a $(j - 1)$ -th polynomial in I'_1 .

Using the definition (3.11) of $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ and the Equ. (9), $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}^2$ becomes

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}^2 = \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} + \sum_{j=1}^l c_j (I'_1 \mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}) A_{j-1}. \quad (10)$$

Now, it is evident that if the coefficients c_j are determined so that Equ (3) is satisfied, $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ satisfies Equ. (4) too.

Finally, let us determine c_j . Substituting (3.11) in (3), using (5) and (6), equating the coefficients of I_j^l ($j = 1, 2, \dots, l$) to zero, one finds an inhomogeneous set of l linear equations in the l unknowns c_1, \dots, c_l .

$$c_1 \cdot l^{-2}(l^2 - 2l + 2) + 4c_2 \cdot l^{-2} + \sum_{j=1}^l c_j (-1)^{j+1} = -1, \quad (11)$$

$$c_{j+1}(j+1)^2 + c_j \cdot (l^2 - 2jl + 2j^2) + c_{j-1}(l-j+1)^2 = 0, \quad (12)$$

$$j = 2, 3, \dots, l.$$

The last equation for $j = l$ (we make $c_{l+1} = 0$) takes the following form

$$c_{l-1} = -l^2 c_l. \quad (13)$$

Substituting the last equation in (12) for $j = l - 1$ we obtain relation between c_{l-1} and c_{l-2} , or finally

$$c_j = (-1)^j \binom{l}{j}^2 \frac{(2l)!}{(l!)^2}. \quad (14)$$

Using the definition of the operators I_j^l and the identity

$$\sum_{j=0}^l \binom{l}{j}^2 = \frac{(2l)!}{(l!)^2}, \quad (15)$$

the terms in $\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}}$ can be gathered in a following way

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{elec}} = I_0 \left[1 - \frac{(l!)^2}{(2l)!} \left(\frac{(2l)!}{(l!)^2} - 1 \right) \right] + \frac{(l!)^2}{(2l)!} \sum_{j=1}^l (-1)^j \binom{l}{j}^2 I_j. \quad (16)$$

The expression (3.15) then follows immediately.

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Sadržaj

Proučeni su uslovi simetrije koji su povezani sa izmenom elektrona i jezgara između atoma u Girardeauovoj formulaciji druge kvantizacije za višeatomske sisteme.

Efekti izmene elektrona između atoma ugrađeni su u »Projektorski Hamiltonijan« tako da kada matični elementi koji opisuju izmenu elektrona između atoma teže nuli, »Projektorski Hamiltonijan« teži Hamiltonijanu u kome su uzeti u obzir samo efekti izmene atoma kao celine.