

HW2 Solution

① Problems 1 and 2. — please see lecture notes.

② For D_{2n} group, there are $\{E\}$, $\{C_{2n}^1, C_{2n}^{2n-1}\}$, \dots , $\{C_{2n}^n\}$, $\{n C_2\}$,

$\{n C_2'\}$, in total $n+3$ classes. Hence, there should be $n+3$

irreducible representations, and $\underbrace{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2}_4 + \underbrace{2^2 + \dots + 2^2}_{n-1} = 4n$

\Rightarrow there are 4 1d representations, and $n-1$ 2d representations.

We first construct the 4 1d representations

A_1 is the trivial identity Rep.

A_2 is the representation, which maps the C_{2n} normal subgroups to 1, and the other coset to -1.

$B_{1,2}$ are the angular momentum n , ~~but~~ but they are different under Carry two different classes of in-plane rotations.

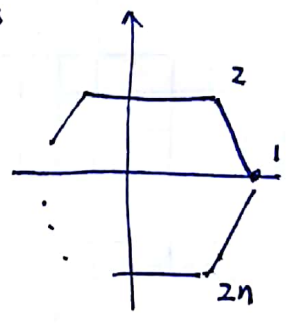
$E_{1,2, \dots, n-1}$, are 2D representations, carrying ~~an~~ angular momentum $\pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm(n-1)$, respectively. The table character

E	$2C_{2n}^1$	$2C_{2n}^2$	\dots	$2C_{2n}^l$	\dots	$2C_{2n}^{n-1}$	C_{2n}^n	$n C_2$	$n C_2'$
A_1	1	1	\dots	1	\dots	1	1	1	1
A_2	1	1	\dots	1	\dots	1	1	-1	-1
B_1	1	-1	\dots	$(-)^l$	\dots	-1	1	1	-1
B_2	1	-1	\dots	$(-)^l$	\dots	-1	1	-1	1

E	$2G_n^1$	$2G_n^2$	\dots	$2G_n^l$	\dots	G_n^n	nC_2	nC_2'	
E_1	2	$2\cos\frac{\pi}{n}$	$2\cos\frac{2\pi}{n}$	\dots	$2\cos\frac{l\pi}{n}$	\dots	-1	0	0
\vdots									
E_m	2	$2\cos\frac{m\pi}{n}$	$2\cos\frac{2m\pi}{n}$	\dots	$2\cos\frac{ml\pi}{n}$	\dots	$(-1)^m$	0	0
\vdots									
E_{n-1}	2	$2\cos\frac{(n-1)\pi}{n}$	$2\cos\frac{2(n-1)\pi}{n}$	\dots	$2\cos\frac{(n-1)l\pi}{n}$	\dots	$(-1)^{n-1}$	0	0

(4) Consider a $2n$ -regular polygon, with n -vertices

$|1\rangle, |2\rangle, \dots, |2n\rangle$. This form a $2n$ -dimensional



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	E	$2G_n^1$	$2G_n^2$	\dots	$2G_n^l$	\dots	G_n^n	nC_2, nC_2'	
χ	$2n$	0	0		0		0	2	0

of $A_1 = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g \chi_{A_1}^* \cdot \chi = \frac{1}{4n} (2n + 2n) = 1$

$A_2 = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g \chi_{A_2}^* \cdot \chi = \frac{1}{4n} (2n - 2n) = 0$

$B_1 = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g \chi_{B_1}^* \cdot \chi = \frac{1}{4n} (2n + 2n) = 1$

$B_2 = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g \chi_{B_2}^* \cdot \chi = \frac{1}{4n} (2n - 2n) = 0$

$E_l: E_l = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_g \chi_{E_l}^* \cdot \chi = \frac{1}{4n} (2n \times 2) = 1$

for $l=1, 2, \dots, n-1$.

We can use angular momentum (discrete) to organize the molecular orbitals

① $m=0$ $|\psi_0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{i=1}^{2n} |i\rangle$ — A_1

② $m=n$ $|\psi_n\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{i=1}^{2n} (-1)^i |i\rangle$ — B_1

③ $\pm m = \pm 1, \dots, \pm(n-1)$
 $|\psi_{\pm}^{E_1}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{j=1}^{2n} e^{\mp i \frac{2\pi}{2n} (j-1) m} |j\rangle$ — $E_{\pm m, \pm(n-1)}$

under this basis, the C_{2n}^l rotation is diagonal.

$$\begin{bmatrix} e^{-i \frac{\pi}{n} l m} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i \frac{\pi}{n} l m} \end{bmatrix}$$

For C_2 , around x -axis, $|1\rangle \rightarrow |1\rangle, |2\rangle \rightarrow |2n\rangle, |3\rangle \rightarrow |2n-1\rangle, \dots, |n\rangle \rightarrow |n+1\rangle, |n+1\rangle \rightarrow |n\rangle$

$C_2(\hat{x}) |j\rangle = |2n+2-j\rangle$ ← in the sense mod $(2n)$

$C_2(\hat{x}) |\psi_+^{E_m}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{j=1}^{2n} e^{-i \frac{\pi}{n} (j-1) m} |2n+2-j\rangle$

$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{j'=1}^{2n} e^{-i \frac{\pi}{n} (2n+1-j') m} |j'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{j'=1}^{2n} e^{i \frac{\pi}{n} (j'-1) m} |j'\rangle$

$= |\psi_-^{E_m}\rangle$

Similarly $C_2(\hat{x}) |\psi_-^{E_m}\rangle = |\psi_+^{E_m}\rangle \Rightarrow C_2(\hat{x}) : \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

For C_2 around the y -axis : $|1\rangle \rightarrow |n+1\rangle, |2\rangle \rightarrow |n\rangle, |3\rangle \rightarrow |n-1\rangle$
 $\dots \dots |kn\rangle \rightarrow |n+2\rangle,$

i.e $|j\rangle \rightarrow |n+2-j \pmod{2n}\rangle$

$$C_2(\hat{y}) |\psi_+^{E_m}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{j=1}^{2n} e^{-i\frac{\pi}{n}(j-1)m} |n+2-j\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{j'=1}^{2n} e^{-i\frac{\pi}{n}(n+1-j')m} |j'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}} \sum_{j'=1}^{2n} (-1)^m e^{i\frac{\pi}{n}(j'-1)m} |j'\rangle$$

$$= (-1)^m |\psi_-^{E_m}\rangle$$

Similarly $C_2(\hat{y}) |\psi_-^{E_m}\rangle = (-1)^m |\psi_+^{E_m}\rangle \Rightarrow C_2(\hat{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (-1)^m \\ (-1)^m & 0 \end{pmatrix}$