

oscillator strength and summed over all  $q$  shells, gives easily and quickly the anomalous dispersion for any atom.

Sample calculations for the  $K$  region of copper and for the  $L$  region of tungsten have been made, using in each case only one term in the oscillator distribution for

each  $q$  shell. Comparison with experiment shows less satisfactory agreement than with the previous less exact calculations. This disagreement is believed to be due to (a) the difficulties inherent in the experimental measurements, and (b) neglect of parts of the calculations in previous comparisons.

## Studies of Atomic Self-Consistent Fields. II. Interpolation Problems\*

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By studying the self-consistent-field (SCF) functions tabulated in the literature, it is shown that a quantity, which for a hydrogenlike function would equal the atomic number  $Z$ , for SCF functions will represent a form of "effective nuclear charge"  $Z_{\text{eff}}$ , which for a series of consecutive atoms or ions appears to be an almost linear function of the atomic number, convenient for interpolation purposes. The positions and magnitudes of maxima and minima, nodes, derivatives in origin, eigenvalues, etc., are investigated by considering the corresponding effective nuclear charges. It is important that the nodes may be interpolated separately, since the logarithm of an SCF function, divided by a polynomial having the same zero points as the function itself, may be used for interpolating SCF functions as a whole. This logarithm may also be used for defining a continuously varying effective charge  $Z_{\text{eff}}(r)$ , which is convenient for interpolation purposes or for estimating fields with exchange from those without exchange.

THE numerical work involved in each cycle of the integration of the Hartree-Fock equations for atomic self-consistent fields (SCF) with exchange by using the technique developed by Hartree<sup>1</sup> is quite large, and, in order to secure a rapid convergence of the process, it is therefore important to have as good "initial" functions as possible. For this purpose it is now possible to utilize the properties of already tabulated fields; Hartree has shown that rather good estimates of the initial functions could be obtained simply by interpolating their departures from properly scaled hydrogenlike wave functions. A function  $F(r)$  is here said to be obtained from another  $f(r)$  by change of a scale factor  $\lambda$ , if

$$F(r) = \lambda^{1/2} f(\lambda r), \quad (1)$$

which transformation leaves the normalization integral invariant.

Brown, Bartlett, and Dunn<sup>2,3</sup> have shown that the SCF wave functions can be approximately transformed into each other by using scale factors  $\lambda$ , which are obtained from the reciprocals of the positions of the maxima and minima of the tabulated functions and which appear to be almost linear functions of the atomic

number  $Z$ . Hartree and Hartree<sup>4</sup> have used a similar idea for scaling the departure of the SCF functions with exchange from those without exchange. In a slightly modified form, the scaling method has recently been used also by Scherr<sup>5</sup> in Chicago.

Using a somewhat different approach, Arnot and McLauchlan<sup>6</sup> and Manning and Millman<sup>7</sup> have shown that, instead of the wave functions themselves, the effective nuclear charges associated with the SCF potentials may be used for interpolation purposes. On a large-scale basis, these total charges have recently been tabulated by Freeman<sup>8</sup> for all fields available.

In the first paper of this series,<sup>9</sup> it was shown that SCF wave functions could be interpolated (and to some extent extrapolated) with a surprisingly high accuracy by means of analytic expressions of Slater type. The purpose of the present paper is to investigate whether it is possible to carry out similar interpolations directly in the numerical tables of the functions involved, without the help of the analytic forms. We will first show the existence of some simple regularities for quantities like the positions and the magnitudes of maxima and minima, derivatives in origin, nodes,

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<sup>1</sup> For a survey, see D. R. Hartree, Repts. Progr. in Phys. **11**, 113 (1946).

<sup>2</sup> Brown, Bartlett, and Dunn, Phys. Rev. **44**, 296 (1933).

<sup>3</sup> See also Hartree, reference 1, p. 126, Fig. 1, for another example.

TABLE I. Properties of the hydrogenlike radial wave functions  $f_{nl}(Z|r) = Z^{\frac{1}{2}} N Q_{nl}(\rho) \exp(-\rho/2)$ , expressed in the variable  $\rho = 2Zr/n$ . The values of  $\rho_m$  correspond to the maxima and minima; the positions  $r_m$  and the magnitudes  $f_m$  of these extreme values are given by the relations  $r_m = c_m/Z$  and  $f_m = d_m Z^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . The values of  $\rho_0$  correspond to the nodes.

| $nl$            | $N^{-1}$ | $Q(\rho)$                  | $\rho_m$ | $c_m$    | $d_m$    | $\rho_0$ |
|-----------------|----------|----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1s              | 1        | $\rho$                     | 2        | 1        | 0.73576  | ...      |
| 2s <sub>1</sub> | 2√2      | $2\rho - \rho^2$           | 3-√5     | 0.76393  | 0.22786  | 2        |
| 2s <sub>2</sub> |          |                            | 3+√5     | 5.23607  | -0.43700 |          |
| 2p              | 2√6      | $\rho^2$                   | 4        | 4        | 0.44200  | ...      |
| 3s <sub>1</sub> | 6√3      | $6\rho - 6\rho^2 + \rho^3$ | 0.49336  | 0.74004  | 0.12179  | 1.26795  |
| 3s <sub>2</sub> |          |                            | 2.79063  | 4.18595  | -0.19667 | 4.73205  |
| 3s <sub>3</sub> |          |                            | 8.71602  | 13.07403 | 0.31864  |          |
| 3p <sub>1</sub> | 6√6      | $4\rho^2 - \rho^3$         | 2        | 3        | 0.20025  | 4        |
| 3p <sub>2</sub> |          |                            | 8        | 12       | -0.31903 |          |
| 3d              | 6√30     | $\rho^3$                   | 6        | 9        | 0.32723  | ...      |

eigenvalues, etc., and we will then describe the general interpolation rule for the numerical wave functions themselves.

### I. INTERPOLATION PROPERTIES OF THE MAXIMA AND MINIMA, THE DERIVATIVES IN ORIGIN, THE NODES, AND THE ENERGY EIGENVALUES OF THE SCF FUNCTIONS

If  $(n, l, m)$  is a fixed triple of atomic quantum numbers, there is a close connection between the normalized radial wave function  $f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)$  for a self-consistent field (SCF) with or without exchange and the corresponding hydrogen function  $f_{nl}(\text{H}|r)$ . With increasing atomic number  $Z$ , the attraction from the nucleus on an electron in the orbital  $(n, l, m)$  will dominate entirely over the repulsion from the other electrons, and the function  $f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)$  will therefore tend to be more and more hydrogenlike. In the limit, we obtain

$$\lim_{Z \rightarrow \infty} Z^{-\frac{1}{2}} f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r/Z) = f_{nl}(\text{H}|r). \quad (2)$$

A more rigorous proof<sup>10</sup> of this relation can be derived by considering the Hartree-Fock equations in greater detail. For large  $Z$ , we will therefore have

$$f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r) = Z^{\frac{1}{2}} \{ f_{nl}(\text{H}|Zr) + (Z^{-1}) \}, \quad (3)$$

where the remainder  $(Z^{-1})$  can be expressed asymptotically as a power series in  $Z^{-1}$ . In a similar way, each characteristic SCF quantity can be expressed in the corresponding hydrogenlike quantity and a power series in  $Z^{-1}$ . The explicit form of this asymptotic expansion may be useful in interpolation problems, where only one or two SCF data are available, but otherwise it seems to be simpler to use the numerical informations in a more direct way, as described below.

As basic interpolation rule, we will here use the principle that a quantity, which for a hydrogenlike function equals the atomic number  $Z$ , for a series of SCF functions for consecutive atoms or ions will be an almost linearly varying function of the atomic number  $Z$ . The function

<sup>10</sup> D. R. Hartree and W. Hartree, Proc. Roy. Soc. (London) A166, 450 (1938).

obtained in this way will be called the *effective nuclear charge* with respect to the SCF quantity under consideration and will be denoted by  $Z(\text{SCF}|)$  plus a suffix indicating the quantity, which is investigated. Numerically, this function is very convenient for interpolation purposes, and, physically, it will give us an idea of the effect of the screening of the electrons around the nucleus in the various atoms under consideration.

### (a) The Extreme Values

In order to investigate, for instance, the properties of the maxima and minima of the SCF functions, we will start with considering the scaled hydrogenlike functions  $f_{nl}(Z|r)$  having the explicit form

$$f_{nl}(Z|r) = Z^{\frac{1}{2}} f_{nl}(\text{H}|Zr) = Z^{\frac{1}{2}} N Q_{nl}(\rho) \exp(-\rho/2), \quad (4)$$

where  $\rho = 2Zr/n$ ;  $N$  is a normalization constant, and  $Q_{nl}$  is a polynomial in  $\rho$  of degree  $n$ , which is explicitly given for the lowest quantum numbers<sup>11</sup> in Table I. The numerical values  $\rho_m$ , corresponding to the extreme values of  $f_{nl}(Z|r)$ , are obtained by solving the algebraic equation  $Q(\rho) = 2dQ(\rho)/d\rho$ . The positions  $r_m$  and the magnitudes  $f_m$  of the extreme values are then given by

$$r_m = c_m/Z, \quad f_m = d_m Z^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (5)$$

where the coefficients  $c_m$  and  $d_m$  are listed in Table I, too.

In investigating the numerically given SCF functions we should now, according to the analogy rule stated above, study the quantities

$$Z(\text{SCF}|r_m) = c_m/r_m, \quad Z(\text{SCF}|f_m) = (f_m/d_m)^2, \quad (6)$$

where the coefficients  $c_m$  and  $d_m$  are taken from Table I, whereas  $r_m$  and  $f_m$  have to be determined from the SCF functions under consideration. In order to compute  $r_m$  with some accuracy from the numerical tables, one can utilize the behavior of "quotient series" of the same type as described in Part I. We will start from the assumption that, in the neighborhood of an extreme value belonging to the slope number  $L$  in order from origin, the SCF function is of the form

$$f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r) = \text{const } r^p e^{-ar}, \quad p = l + L, \quad (7)$$

TABLE II. Calculation of  $r_m$  for the first maximum of  $f_{3s}(r)$  for  $\text{Cl}^-$  with exchange according to Eq. (12);  $k$  = number of iterations.

| $r$  | Given properties of the function $f_{3s}$ . |            |        | Solution of Eq. (12). |         |        |
|------|---|------------|--------|-----------------------|---------|--------|
|      | $f_{3s}(r)$                                 | $f_{3s}/r$ | $q(r)$ | $k$                   | $r_m$   | $q_m$  |
| 0.03 | 0.393                                       | 13.10      |        | 0                     |         | 1.243  |
| 0.04 | 0.429                                       | 10.73      | 1.2214 | 1                     | 0.04596 | 1.2435 |
|      |   |            | 1.2413 | 2                     | 0.04589 | 1.2434 |
| 0.05 | 0.432                                       | 8.640      | 1.2644 | 3                     | 0.04590 |        |
|      |   |            |        |                       |         |        |
| 0.06 | 0.410                                       | 6.833      |        |                       |         |        |

<sup>11</sup> Extensive tables of hydrogenlike radial wave functions  $R_{nl} = f_{nl} \cdot r$  are given in L. Pauling and E. B. Wilson, *Introduction to Quantum Mechanics* (McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York, 1935), p. 135.

TABLE III. Positions  $r_m$  and magnitudes  $f_m$  of maxima and minima for SCF functions with exchange for some Ne-like ions.

| Z  | Element          | 1s      |       | 2s <sub>1</sub> |        | 2s <sub>2</sub> |       | 2p     |       |
|----|------------------|---------|-------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|-------|--------|-------|
|    |                  | $r_m$   | $f_m$ | $r_m$           | $f_m$  | $r_m$           | $f_m$ | $r_m$  | $f_m$ |
| 10 | Ne               | 0.10295 | 2.268 | 0.08088         | 0.4752 | 0.6848          | 1.087 | 0.6342 | 0.965 |
| 11 | Na <sup>+</sup>  | 0.09343 | 2.382 | 0.07333         | 0.5190 | 0.6119          | 1.169 | 0.5478 | 1.070 |
| 12 | Mg <sup>+2</sup> | 0.08550 | 2.492 | 0.06672         | 0.5607 | 0.5483          | 1.246 | 0.4833 | 1.157 |
| 13 | Al <sup>+3</sup> | 0.07875 | 2.598 | 0.06140         | 0.6019 | 0.4972          | 1.320 | 0.4310 | 1.243 |
| 14 | Si <sup>+4</sup> | 0.07309 | 2.700 | 0.05675         | 0.6400 | 0.4555          | 1.390 | 0.3893 | 1.321 |

TABLE IV. Positions  $r_m$  and magnitudes  $f_m$  of maxima and minima for SCF functions with exchange for some A-like ions.

| Z  | Element          | 1s      |       | 2s <sub>1</sub> |        | 2s <sub>2</sub> |        | 2p     |        |
|----|------------------|---------|-------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|
|    |                  | $r_m$   | $f_m$ | $r_m$           | $f_m$  | $r_m$           | $f_m$  | $r_m$  | $f_m$  |
| 17 | Cl <sup>-</sup>  | 0.05992 | 2.982 | 0.04672         | 0.7427 | 0.3636          | -1.575 | 0.3033 | 1.5188 |
| 18 | A                | 0.05651 | 3.069 | 0.04390         | 0.7722 | 0.3412          | -1.632 | 0.2825 | 1.5805 |
| 19 | K <sup>+</sup>   | 0.05351 | 3.157 | 0.04142         | 0.8035 | 0.3196          | -1.687 | 0.2637 | 1.6407 |
| 20 | Ca <sup>+2</sup> | 0.05083 | 3.240 | 0.03944         | 0.8341 | 0.3014          | -1.743 | 0.2477 | 1.6979 |

  

| Z  | Element          | 3s <sub>1</sub> |        | 3s <sub>2</sub> |        | 3s <sub>3</sub> |        | 3p <sub>1</sub> |        | 3p <sub>2</sub> |        |
|----|------------------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
|    |                  | $r_m$           | $f_m$  | $r_m$           | $f_m$  | $r_m$           | $f_m$  | $r_m$           | $f_m$  | $r_m$           | $f_m$  |
| 17 | Cl <sup>-</sup>  | 0.04590         | 0.2168 | 0.3026          | 0.4036 | 1.3021          | 0.8635 | 0.2430          | 0.3175 | 1.4825          | 0.7340 |
| 18 | A                | 0.04314         | 0.2397 | 0.2825          | 0.4430 | 1.1767          | 0.9242 | 0.2247          | 0.3712 | 1.3010          | 0.8208 |
| 19 | K <sup>+</sup>   | 0.04078         | 0.2621 | 0.2652          | 0.4812 | 1.0851          | 0.9813 | 0.2099          | 0.4180 | 1.1641          | 0.8933 |
| 20 | Ca <sup>+2</sup> | 0.03877         | 0.2841 | 0.2500          | 0.5176 | 1.0010          | 1.036  | 0.1961          | 0.4622 | 1.0527          | 0.9578 |

where  $a=a(r)$  is a function of  $r$ , which, in the actual computations, is found to be rather slowly varying. The extreme value is then situated in a point  $r=r_m$  satisfying the relation

$$r = p / (a + ra'). \quad (8)$$

In order to determine the denominator without the explicit evaluation of the function  $a(r)$ , we will introduce the auxiliary functions

$$g(r) = f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)/r^p, \quad (9)$$

$$q_h(r) = g(r-h/2)/g(r+h/2). \quad (10)$$

The functions  $q_h(r)$  are called the "quotient functions" associated with the interval  $h$ , and a table for them is easily formed by taking the successive quotients between consecutive values of  $g(r)$  in equidistant points having the interval  $h$ . Using a Taylor-series expansion of the exponent  $ra(r)$  in (7) and Eqs. (9) and (10), we obtain

$$\log_e q_h(r) = h(a + ra') + h^3(3a'' + ra''')/24 + \dots \quad (11)$$

For the SCF functions under consideration, we have found that the function  $q_h(r)$  is so slowly varying that one may use linear interpolations, and, consequently, the higher terms in the expansion (11) may be neglected in comparison to the first term. By using (11), the relation (8) may then be written in the form

$$r = ph / \log_e q_h(r). \quad (12)$$

From this equation, the position  $r=r_m$  may be determined in a few steps by iteration by using only the quotient table. A typical example of the procedure is given in Table II.

The magnitude  $f=f_m$  of the extreme value of the

SCF function is then given by  $f_m = r_m^p g(r_m)$ , where

$$\log_e g(r_m) = \log_e g(r_1) + \frac{r_1 - r_m}{h} \log_e q_h \left( \frac{r_1 + r_m}{2} \right). \quad (13)$$

Two isoelectronic series have been investigated in this way, namely some Ne-like ions (Ne, Na<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>+2</sup>, Al<sup>+3</sup>, and Si<sup>+4</sup>) and some A-like ions (Cl<sup>-</sup>, A, K<sup>+</sup>, and Ca<sup>+2</sup>), for which self-consistent-field functions with exchange are already available in the literature,<sup>12</sup> calculated by D. R. and W. Hartree, and others. Tables III and IV contain the results of our computations of  $r_m$  and  $f_m$ ; we note the existence of such regularities as make these tables directly suitable for interpolation purposes. The corresponding effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF}|)$  with respect to  $r_m$  and  $f_m$ , calculated from Eqs. (6), are then given in Tables V and VI. These quantities may be written in the form

$$Z(\text{SCF}|r_m) = Z - s_1, \quad Z(\text{SCF}|f_m) = Z - s_2, \quad (14)$$

where the quantities  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  may be interpreted as the "shielding constants" with respect to the positions and the magnitudes of the extreme values, respectively. From the tables, we note that, at least for the inner electrons, the quantities  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are approximately constant for fixed quantum numbers ( $nl$ ) in each series, but also that they differ appreciably from each other:  $s_1 \neq s_2$ . The last fact indicates a result of importance for understanding the special character of the SCF functions in comparison to the hydrogenlike functions.

<sup>12</sup> The proper references to the original articles used in the calculations in this paper may be found in the extensive bibliography given by Hartree in our reference 1. However, the data for Ne and Al<sup>+3</sup> are taken from our own SCF calculations (to be published).

TABLE V. Effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF} | )$  for the positions  $r_m$  and the magnitudes  $f_m$  of some Ne-like ions with exchange.

| Z                   | Element          | $1s$     |          | $2s_1$   |          | $2s_2$   |          | $2p$     |          |
|---------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                     |                  | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ |
| 10                  | Ne               | 9.713    | 9.502    | 9.445    | 4.349    | 7.646    | 6.184    | 6.307    | 4.771    |
| 11                  | Na <sup>+</sup>  | 10.704   | 10.481   | 10.417   | 5.188    | 8.557    | 7.161    | 7.302    | 5.860    |
| 12                  | Mg <sup>+2</sup> | 11.696   | 11.472   | 11.450   | 6.055    | 9.549    | 8.134    | 8.277    | 6.852    |
| 13                  | Al <sup>+3</sup> | 12.699   | 12.464   | 12.441   | 6.979    | 10.531   | 9.124    | 9.281    | 7.908    |
| 14                  | Si <sup>+4</sup> | 13.683   | 13.471   | 13.461   | 7.889    | 11.497   | 10.122   | 10.276   | 8.932    |
| Average difference: |                  | 0.993    | 0.992    | 1.004    | 0.885    | 0.963    | 0.985    | 0.992    | 1.040    |

TABLE VI. Effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF} | )$  for the positions  $r_m$  and the magnitudes  $f_m$  of some A-like ions with exchange.

| Z                   | Element          | $1s$     |          | $2s_1$   |          | $2s_2$   |          | $2p$     |          |
|---------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                     |                  | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ |
| 17                  | Cl <sup>-</sup>  | 16.688   | 16.426   | 16.351   | 10.624   | 14.402   | 12.990   | 13.188   | 11.807   |
| 18                  | A                | 17.695   | 17.399   | 17.401   | 11.485   | 15.344   | 13.947   | 14.160   | 12.786   |
| 19                  | K <sup>+</sup>   | 18.687   | 18.411   | 18.442   | 12.435   | 16.381   | 14.903   | 15.168   | 13.779   |
| 20                  | Ca <sup>+2</sup> | 19.673   | 19.392   | 19.368   | 13.400   | 17.371   | 15.909   | 16.146   | 14.756   |
| Average difference: |                  | 0.995    | 0.989    | 1.006    | 0.925    | 0.990    | 0.973    | 0.986    | 0.983    |

  

| Z                   | Element          | $3s_1$   |          | $3s_2$   |          | $3s_3$   |          | $3p_1$   |          | $3p_2$   |          |
|---------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                     |                  | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ | $Z(r_m)$ | $Z(f_m)$ |
| 17                  | Cl <sup>-</sup>  | 16.122   | 3.169    | 13.832   | 4.211    | 10.040   | 7.344    | 12.480   | 2.514    | 8.094    | 5.293    |
| 18                  | A                | 17.147   | 3.873    | 14.818   | 5.074    | 11.023   | 8.412    | 13.352   | 3.436    | 9.224    | 6.619    |
| 19                  | K <sup>+</sup>   | 18.147   | 4.631    | 15.783   | 5.987    | 12.049   | 9.484    | 14.294   | 4.357    | 10.309   | 7.840    |
| 20                  | Ca <sup>+2</sup> | 19.089   | 5.441    | 16.748   | 6.943    | 13.061   | 10.571   | 15.296   | 5.312    | 11.400   | 9.073    |
| Average difference: |                  | 0.989    | 0.757    | 0.972    | 0.911    | 1.007    | 1.076    | 0.939    | 0.933    | 1.102    | 1.260    |

In the first attempts to treat atomic wave functions, it was natural to consider them as hydrogenlike functions having an effective nuclear charge of the form  $(Z-s)$ , where the single shielding constants  $s$  were determined, e.g., by the rules given by Slater.<sup>13</sup> The results concerning the SCF functions, contained in Tables V and VI, show now that, in order to describe such a function around one of its extreme values, it is necessary to use *two* independent screening constants,  $s_1$  and  $s_2$ , and a relation of the form

$$f_{nl}(\text{SCF} | r) \approx (Z-s_2)^{\frac{1}{2}} N Q_{nl}(\rho) \exp(-\rho/2), \quad (15)$$

$$\rho = 2(Z-s_1)r/n,$$

which actually corresponds to Eq. (3) with part of the remainder taken into account. This formula gives the values of the SCF function under consideration only within a small range, and, in order to describe the same function around another extreme value or in another region, different values of  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are necessary. We note that, if the values of  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  would be kept constant from  $r=0$  to  $r=\infty$ , the resulting function (15) would no longer be properly normalized.

As a typical example of the limited validity of formula (15), we have in Table VII listed the values of the right-hand side of this expression for the region around the maximum of  $f_{2p}$  for Na<sup>+</sup> with exchange in comparison to the actual values. If two effective nuclear charges  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ , taken from Table V, are used, the SCF function will be correctly represented in the maximum  $r=r_m$  and with the accuracy desired within

a small interval ( $r_m-0.05$ ;  $r_m+0.05$ ) around this point, whereas the errors, e.g., in the interval  $(0; r_m-0.05)$ , will be appreciable and amount to as much as  $-0.070$ . However, if only *one* effective nuclear charge  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  is used, for instance the compromise value  $Z=(Z_1 Z_2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , the position and the magnitude of the maximum show errors of about 0.05 and 0.070, respectively, whereas the errors in the interval  $(0; r_m)$  amount to as much as  $-0.110$ . The example shows that, even if two effective nuclear charges are used, it is desirable to have these quantities *continuously varying* in order to describe a SCF function with complete accuracy over a larger region. This idea will be further developed in Sec. II.

We have also investigated the interpolation properties of the extreme values of the SCF functions for a series of *neutral* atoms, namely C, N, and O. These atoms can

TABLE VII. Approximate representation of the  $2p$  function of Na<sup>+</sup> with exchange around its maximum according to Eq. (15) and Table V.

| $r$ | SCF<br>Hartree-<br>Hartree | Eq. (15)<br>$Z_1=7.302$<br>$Z_2=5.860$ | Eq. (15)<br>Compromise<br>$Z=(Z_1 Z_2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
|-----|----------------------------|--|---|
| 0   | 0.000                      | 0.000                                  | 0.000   |
| 0.1 | 0.231                      | 0.183                                  | 0.161   |
| 0.2 | 0.578                      | 0.508                                  | 0.465   |
| 0.3 | 0.842                      | 0.793                                  | 0.753   |
| 0.4 | 0.997                      | 0.978                                  | 0.966   |
| 0.5 | 1.061                      | 1.061                                  | 1.088   |
| 0.6 | 1.061                      | 1.061                                  | 1.130   |
| 0.7 | 1.021                      | 1.002                                  | 1.109   |
| 0.8 | 0.956                      | 0.908                                  | 1.044   |
| 0.9 | 0.880                      | 0.798                                  | 0.953   |
| 1.0 | 0.799                      | 0.684                                  | 0.848   |

<sup>13</sup> J. C. Slater, Phys. Rev. **36**, 57 (1930).

TABLE VIII. Positions  $r_m$ , magnitudes  $f_m$ , and the corresponding effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF}|)$  for the maxima of the  $2p$  functions of some neutral atoms, namely carbon ( ${}^1D$ ,  $\beta=0.04$ ), nitrogen ( ${}^2P$ ,  $\beta=0$ ), and oxygen ( ${}^1S$ ,  $\beta=0$ ).

| Z                   | Element | State   | $r_m$ | $f_m$  | $Z(\text{SCF} r_m)$ | $Z(\text{SCF} f_m)$ |
|---------------------|---------|---------|-------|--------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 6                   | C       | ${}^1D$ | 1.221 | 0.7134 | 3.276               | 2.605               |
| 7                   | N       | ${}^2P$ | 0.994 | 0.7813 | 4.024               | 3.124               |
| 8                   | O       | ${}^1S$ | 0.837 | 0.8430 | 4.779               | 3.637               |
| Average difference: |         |         |       |        | 0.7515              | 0.516               |

occur in several different states, characterized by Slater's<sup>14</sup> parameter  $\beta$ , and we have here treated the actual or interpolated functions belonging to  $\beta=0$ . The results for the  $2p$  functions are given in Table VIII; again it is found that the *linearity rule* for the quantities  $Z(\text{SCF}|)$  holds with a surprisingly high accuracy. The average differences in each series are now appreciably smaller than 1.000, as one could expect from physical reasons for a sequence of neutral atoms, since one outer electron with some shielding effects is added to the system when the nuclear charge is increased by one.

### (b) The Region Around $r=0$

In order to investigate the SCF functions in greater detail in the neighborhood of the point  $r=0$ , we will again start from the hydrogenlike functions given in Table I. The quantity  $f_{nl}(Z|r)/r^{l+1}$  is nonvanishing for  $r=0$ , and, according to (4), we have

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{nl}(Z|r)}{r^{l+1}} = NZ^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \frac{Q_{nl}(2Zr/n)}{r^{l+1}} \right\}_{r=0}. \quad (16)$$

From this relation we can then solve the atomic number  $Z$  and obtain

$$Z = [\alpha_{nl} f_{nl}(Z|r)/r^{l+1}]_{r=0}^{2/(2l+3)}, \quad (17)$$

where  $\alpha_{nl}$  is a constant which for the lowest quantum numbers has the following values:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} (nl) = & 1s & 2s & 2p & 3s & 3p & 3d \\ \alpha_{nl} = & 0.5 & \sqrt{2} & 2\sqrt{6} & 1.5\sqrt{3} & 3.375\sqrt{6} & 20.25\sqrt{30}. \end{array} \quad (18)$$

According to the analogy rule, stated above, the corresponding quantities for the SCF functions will then represent the effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF}|)$  with respect to the first nonvanishing derivative in origin, and, for the sake of simplicity, we will denote these quantities by the symbol  $K_{nl}$ , introduced in Part I:

$$K_{nl} = [\alpha_{nl} f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)/r^{l+1}]_{r=0}^{2/(2l+3)}. \quad (19)$$

In publishing the results of their calculations of self-consistent fields, Hartree and Hartree have usually given the value of  $f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)/r^{l+1}$  for  $r=0$ , and the evaluation of  $K_{nl}$  is then straightforward. In other cases, one has to study the function  $f_{nl}(r)/r^{l+1}$  in the

neighborhood of  $r=0$  and to extrapolate its value for  $r=0$  by means of "quotient analysis" or logarithmic extrapolation.

The results of our calculations of  $K_{nl}$  for the CNO series, the Ne-like ions, and the A-like ions are condensed in Table IX, where the upper values refer to fields with exchange and the lower to fields without exchange. From this table, we conclude that the effective nuclear charge  $K_{nl}$  with striking accuracy is a *linear function* of the atomic number  $Z$ , and that therefore interpolations and extrapolations to neighboring atoms are possible as soon as two SCF data are available; the existence of additional data will, of course, increase the accuracy. A table of  $K_{1s}$  for the He-like ions was also given in Part I.

According to (19), one can determine the first nonvanishing derivative in origin for a SCF function from the corresponding effective nuclear charge  $K_{nl}$  by the relation

$$c_{l+1} = \frac{f^{(l+1)}(\text{SCF}|0)}{(l+1)!} = K_{nl}^{(2l+3)/2} / \alpha_{nl}. \quad (20)$$

TABLE IX. Effective nuclear charges  $K_{nl}$  for SCF functions belonging to the CNO series, the Ne series, and the A series. The upper values refer to fields *with* exchange, the lower to fields *without* exchange.

| Z                   | Element          | CNO series (SCF with exchange) |          |          |          |          |
|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                     |                  | State                          | $K_{1s}$ | $K_{2s}$ | $K_{2p}$ |          |
| 6                   | C                | ${}^1D$                        | 5.760    | 4.115    | 3.85     |          |
| 7                   | N                | ${}^2P$                        | 6.757    | 4.971    | 4.66     |          |
| 8                   | O                | ${}^1S$                        | 7.751    | 5.787    | 5.50     |          |
| Average difference: |                  |                                | 0.996    | 0.836    | 0.825    |          |
| Z                   | Element          | Ne series                      |          |          |          |          |
| 9                   | F <sup>-</sup>   | $K_{1s}$                       | $K_{2s}$ | $K_{2p}$ |          |          |
|                     |                  | ...                            | ...      | ...      |          |          |
| 9                   | F <sup>-</sup>   | 8.746                          | 6.516    | 5.913    |          |          |
| 10                  | Ne               | 9.736                          | 7.403    | 7.139    |          |          |
|                     |                  | ...                            | ...      | ...      |          |          |
| 11                  | Na <sup>+</sup>  | 10.725                         | 8.382    | 8.168    |          |          |
|                     |                  | ...                            | ...      | ...      |          |          |
| 13                  | Al <sup>+3</sup> | 12.718                         | 10.364   | 10.198   |          |          |
|                     |                  | 12.737                         | 10.160   | 10.022   |          |          |
| 14                  | Si <sup>+4</sup> | 13.735                         | 11.368   | 11.206   |          |          |
|                     |                  | 13.743                         | 11.176   | 11.014   |          |          |
| Average difference: |                  |                                | 1.000    | 0.991    | 1.017    |          |
|                     |                  | 0.999                          | 0.932    | 1.202    |          |          |
| Z                   | Element          | A series                       |          |          |          |          |
| 17                  | Cl <sup>-</sup>  | $K_{1s}$                       | $K_{2s}$ | $K_{2p}$ | $K_{3s}$ | $K_{3p}$ |
|                     |                  | 16.701                         | 14.301   | 14.163   | 9.527    | 9.976    |
|                     |                  | 16.722                         | 14.024   | 13.968   | 9.981    | 9.817    |
| 18                  | A                | 17.690                         | 15.284   | 15.150   | 10.561   | 11.217   |
|                     |                  | ...                            | ...      | ...      | ...      | ...      |
| 19                  | K <sup>+</sup>   | 18.698                         | 16.271   | 16.145   | 11.645   | 12.385   |
|                     |                  | 18.712                         | 15.979   | 15.946   | 11.898   | 12.273   |
| 20                  | Ca <sup>+2</sup> | 19.691                         | 17.266   | 17.141   | 12.717   | 13.523   |
|                     |                  | 19.706                         | 16.955   | 16.925   | 12.888   | 13.420   |
| Average difference: |                  | 0.997                          | 0.988    | 0.993    | 1.063    | 1.182    |
|                     |                  | 0.995                          | 0.977    | 0.986    | 0.969    | 1.201    |

<sup>14</sup>J. C. Slater, Phys. Rev. **34**, 1293 (1929).

This is of particular importance in the calculations of self-consistent fields *with exchange* by solving the Hartree-Fock equations, since, in this case, it is desirable to have as good estimates as possible of the initial conditions in origin in order to obtain the solutions directly in correctly normalized form. The interpolation rule based on (19) may therefore be of value for SCF calculations in the future.

We may conclude that, in a close neighborhood of  $r=0$ , it is possible to describe a SCF function as a hydrogenlike function with  $Z_{\text{eff}}=K_{nl}$ . However, the range of validity of such a representation is rather short, as is shown by the example for  $f_{2p}$  of  $\text{Na}^+$  with exchange in Table X, where the function (4) is compared to the actual SCF function, given by Hartree and Hartree.

Table IX gives also a comparison between the values of  $K_{nl}$  for fields with and without exchange, and we note that, except for (3s), the inclusion of exchange corresponds to a slight increase of the effective nuclear charge, which confirms an earlier observation by Hartree. However, a much stronger tool for investigating the influence of the inclusion of exchange will be described in a following section.

In order to give a detailed description of the SCF functions in a longer range around  $r=0$ , one should investigate also the next derivative of order  $(l+2)$ , writing the function in the form

$$f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r) = c_{l+1}r^{l+1}(1-ar+\dots). \quad (21)$$

By substituting this expression into the Hartree-Fock equations, one finds that  $a=Z/(l+1)$ , where  $Z$  is the atomic number of the nucleus. This is a general result which is valid both for the hydrogenlike functions and the SCF functions. However, in their papers concerning self-consistent fields, Hartree and Hartree have usually given tables also of the quantities  $f_{nl}/r^{l+1}$  for the range around  $r=0$ , and by making a "quotient analysis" of this material, we have found that, in the nearest neighborhood of origin, the SCF functions are better expressed under the form

$$f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r) = c_{l+1}r^{l+1}e^{-ar}. \quad (22)$$

TABLE X. Comparison between the SCF function  $f_{2p}$  for  $\text{Na}^+$  with exchange, given by Hartree and Hartree, and the corresponding hydrogenlike function (4) with  $Z_{\text{eff}}=K_{2p}$  in the neighborhood of  $r=0$ . The numerical value of  $K_{2p}=8.168$  is taken from Table IX.

| $r$  | SCF   | Eq. (4) | $r$ | SCF   | Eq. (4) |
|------|-------|---------|-----|-------|---------|
| 0.00 | 0.000 | 0.000   | 0.2 | 0.578 | 0.688   |
| 0.01 | 0.004 | 0.004   | 0.3 | 0.842 | 1.029   |
| 0.02 | 0.014 | 0.014   | 0.4 | 0.997 | 1.216   |
| 0.03 | 0.030 | 0.031   | 0.5 | 1.061 | 1.263   |
| 0.04 | 0.050 | 0.053   | 0.6 | 1.061 | 1.209   |
|      |       |         | 0.7 | 1.021 | 1.094   |
| 0.06 | 0.102 | 0.110   | 0.8 | 0.956 | 0.949   |
| 0.08 | 0.163 | 0.180   | 0.9 | 0.880 | 0.799   |
| 0.10 | 0.231 | 0.259   | 1.0 | 0.799 | 0.654   |
| 0.12 | 0.302 | 0.343   |     |       |         |

TABLE XI. Example of "quotient analysis" of the numerically given functions  $f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)/r^{l+1}$  for  $\text{K}^+(3s)$  and  $(3p)$  with exchange.

| $r$   | $f_{3s}/r$ | $q_h$  | $f_{3p}/r^2$ | $q_h$  |
|-------|------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 0.000 | 15.295     | 1.1008 | 65.30        | 1.0485 |
| 0.005 | 13.895     | 1.1032 | 62.28        | 1.0483 |
| 0.010 | 12.595     | 1.1058 | 59.41        | 1.0482 |
| 0.015 | 11.39      | 1.1091 | 56.68        | 1.0479 |
| 0.020 | 10.27      |        | 54.09        |        |

TABLE XII. Quotients  $q_h(0)$  for  $h=0.005$  and corresponding effective nuclear charges  $Z_0$ , defined by (24), for SCF functions of some A-like ions with exchange.

| $Z$      | Element             | 1s     | 2s     | 2p     | 3s                  | 3p     |
|----------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| $q_h(0)$ | 17 $\text{Cl}^-$    | 1.0885 | 1.0887 | 1.0427 | 1.0929 <sup>a</sup> | 1.0429 |
|          | 18 A                | 1.0941 | 1.0941 | 1.0462 | 1.0937              | 1.0461 |
|          | 19 $\text{K}^+$     | 1.0997 | 1.0993 | 1.0488 | 1.0996              | 1.0486 |
|          | 20 $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ | 1.1053 | 1.1049 | 1.0514 | 1.1045              | 1.0509 |
| $Z_0$    | 17 $\text{Cl}^-$    | 16.960 | 16.997 | 16.726 | 17.767 <sup>a</sup> | 16.802 |
|          | 18 A                | 17.986 | 17.986 | 18.066 | 17.913              | 18.028 |
|          | 19 $\text{K}^+$     | 19.008 | 18.935 | 19.058 | 18.989              | 18.982 |
|          | 20 $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ | 20.023 | 19.951 | 20.050 | 19.879              | 19.858 |

<sup>a</sup> The SCF data for  $\text{Cl}^-(3s)$  contain apparently some slight error.

Here  $a=a(r)$  is constant or extremely slowly varying over the interval  $(0; 0.02)$  under consideration, as is shown by the example in Table XI. A comparison between (21) and (22) shows then that, for  $r=0$ , we should simply have

$$a(0) = h^{-1} \log_e q_h(0) = Z/(l+1), \quad (23)$$

where  $Z$  is the atomic number of the nucleus, and  $q_h$  is the quotient function defined by (10).

Let us now consider the actual numerical material, given by Hartree and Hartree, from this point of view. The result of our quotient analysis for the A-like ions with exchange is condensed in Table XII, where we also have listed a quantity,

$$Z_0 = (l+1)h^{-1} \log_e q_h(0), \quad (24)$$

obtained from the Hartree-Hartree quotient. Except for the case of  $\text{Cl}^-(3s)$ , where the SCF data apparently contain some accidental error, the quantities  $Z_0$  are all very close to the real atomic number  $Z$ , in agreement with (23). In the following, we may, therefore, simply get an approximate idea of the behavior of  $f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)r^{l+1}$  by starting from the value of  $c_{l+1}$ , found from (20), and by using a quotient  $q_h$ , given by the three-term formula

$$q_h = 1 + hZ/(l+1) + \frac{1}{2}\{hZ/(l+1)\}^2, \quad (25)$$

for, e.g.,  $h=0.005$ . We note that the values in the example in Table XIII are in excellent agreement with the SCF data given in Table XII.

TABLE XIII. The quotient  $q_h(0)$  for  $h=0.005$  for the A-like ions according to the three-term formula (25). Compare the SCF data in Table XII.

| Z  | $l=0$  | $l=1$  |
|----|--------|--------|
| 17 | 1.0886 | 1.0434 |
| 18 | 1.0941 | 1.0460 |
| 19 | 1.0995 | 1.0486 |
| 20 | 1.1050 | 1.0513 |

TABLE XIV. Example of the procedure of evaluating the position  $r_0$  of the node for the  $2s$  function of  $\text{Na}^+$  with exchange;  $r_0^{(k)}$  gives the successive approximations for  $r_0$  in Aitken's iteration scheme.

| $f_{2s}$ | $r$  | $r_0^{(k)}$ |           |          |
|----------|------|-------------|-----------|----------|
|          |      | $k=1$       | $k=2$     | $k=3$    |
| +0.215   | 0.16 |             |           |          |
| +0.102   | 0.18 | 0.198 053   |           |          |
| -0.015   | 0.20 | 0.197 391   | 0.197 476 |          |
| -0.301   | 0.25 | 0.197 500   | 0.197 913 | 0.197 45 |

### (c) The Nodes

Another characteristic property of the SCF functions is the position  $r_0$  of their eventual nodes. For the hydrogenlike functions, the nodes are given by the zero points  $\rho_0$  of the polynomials  $Q(\rho)$  in Table I; and by solving the atomic number  $Z$ , we obtain, therefore,  $Z=n\rho_0/2r_0$ . According to the analogy rule, the corresponding effective nuclear charges for the SCF functions are then defined by

$$Z(\text{SCF}|r_0) = n\rho_0/2r_0. \quad (26)$$

The zero points  $r_0$  of the numerically given SCF functions may be determined by solving the equation  $f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)=0$  by inverse interpolation, and, for this purpose, we have used the Aitken iteration scheme.<sup>15</sup> An example of the procedure is given in Table XIV.

The final results of our calculations of the nodes of of the  $2s$  functions, associated with fields with and without exchange, are condensed in Table XV. We note that the linearity rule for  $Z(\text{SCF}|r_0)$  holds with the same striking accuracy as before, and that therefore this auxiliary quantity is very convenient for interpolation purposes. The nodes of the  $3s$  and  $3p$  functions have been evaluated only for the fields with exchange, and the results are given in Table XVI.

Let us finally consider the possibility of expressing a SCF function in the form (15) in the neighborhood of a node. The quantity  $\rho$  is defined by  $\rho=2Z_{\text{eff}}/n$ , but it is not *a priori* evident that the value of  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  in the polynomial  $Q(\rho)$  is identical with the value of  $Z_{\text{eff}}$  in  $\exp(-\rho/2)$ , particularly not in the region around a zero point  $r=r_0$ , where the former is sharply defined. In order to describe an SCF function in such a region, it may therefore be necessary to use *three* independent shielding factors in formula (15). In considering a single

<sup>15</sup> See, for instance, W. E. Milne, *Numerical Calculus* (Princeton University Press, Princeton, 1949), p. 69.

continuously varying scale factor, we will meet this problem again, since the nodes will be a little bit "out of scale" and lead to sudden discontinuities.

In general, the nodes cause such complications in the interpolation problem as to make it highly desirable to transform them away. As we shall see in the next section, such a transformation can be carried out even for the numerically given SCF functions, if the nodes are evaluated with sufficient accuracy. The possibility of a separate interpolation of the nodes, based on (26), will in this way prove to be of essential importance for the solution of the interpolation problem for the function as a whole.

### (d) The Energy Eigenvalues

The "tails" of the SCF functions for large  $r$  may be interpolated simply by considering the outmost Slater exponential in the analytic expressions, described in Part I. This single exponential term is quickly found by a "quotient analysis" without evaluating the whole expression, and we note that the exponents satisfy the

TABLE XV. The positions  $r_0$  and the effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF}|r_0)$  of  $2s$  functions belonging to self-consistent fields with and without exchange.

| Z  | Element          | State $\beta$ value | $r_0$         |                  | $Z(\text{SCF} r_0)$ |                  |
|----|------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|    |                  |                     | With exchange | Without exchange | With exchange       | Without exchange |
| 3  | Li               |                     | 0.829 96      |                  | 2.4098              |                  |
| 4  | Be               |                     | 0.589 57      | 0.679 76         | 3.3923              | 2.9422           |
| 5  | B                |                     |               | 0.504 45         |                     | 3.9647           |
| 6  | C                | $^1D$ 0.04          | 0.375 41      |                  | 5.3275              |                  |
|    |                  | $C^{+2}$            | 0.370 75      | 0.400 45         | 5.3945              | 4.9944           |
| 7  | $N^-$            | $^1S$ 0             | 0.318 15      |                  | 6.2863              |                  |
|    |                  | $^2P$ 0             | 0.317 98      |                  | 6.2897              |                  |
| 8  | $O^-$            | $^2P$ -0.8          | 0.276 36      |                  | 7.2369              |                  |
|    |                  | $O$                 | $^1S$ 0       | 0.289 94         | 7.2435              | 6.8980           |
|    |                  | $O^+$               | $^2P$ 0       | 0.289 48         | 7.2585              | 6.9089           |
|    |                  | $O^{+2}$            | intp. 0       | 0.274 25         | 7.2926              | 6.9307           |
|    |                  | $O^{+3}$            | $^2P$ 0       | 0.272 53         | 7.3386              | 6.9662           |
| 9  | $F^-$            |                     |               | 0.254 02         |                     | 7.8734           |
| 10 | Ne               |                     | 0.218 36      |                  | 9.159               |                  |
| 11 | $\text{Na}^-$    |                     | 0.197 45      |                  | 10.129              |                  |
|    | $\text{Na}^+$    |                     | 0.197 45      |                  | 10.129              |                  |
| 12 | $\text{Mg}^{+2}$ |                     | 0.180 14      | 0.185 03         | 11.102              | 10.809           |
| 13 | $\text{Al}^{+3}$ |                     | 0.165 42      | 0.169 57         | 12.090              | 11.795           |
| 14 | $\text{Si}^{+3}$ |                     |               | 0.156 54         |                     | 12.776           |
|    | $\text{Si}^{+3}$ |                     |               | 0.156 51         |                     | 12.779           |
|    | $\text{Si}^{+4}$ |                     | 0.153 04      | 0.156 54         | 13.068              | 12.776           |
| 17 | $\text{Cl}^-$    |                     | 0.124 80      | 0.127 06         | 16.027              | 15.741           |
| 18 | A                |                     | 0.117 65      |                  | 17.000              |                  |
| 19 | $\text{K}^+$     |                     | 0.111 07      | 0.112 91         | 18.007              | 17.713           |
| 20 | Ca               |                     |               | 0.106 91         |                     | 18.707           |
|    | $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ |                     | 0.105 30      |                  | 18.993              |                  |
| 29 | $\text{Cu}^+$    |                     | 0.071 612     | 0.072 302        | 27.928              | 27.662           |

The positions  $r_0$  and the effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF}|r_0)$  for  $2s$  functions of some heavier elements for self-consistent fields without exchange.

| Z  | Element | $r_0$     | $Z(\text{SCF} r_0)$ |
|----|---------|-----------|---------------------|
| 30 | Zn      | 0.069 719 | 28.687              |
| 31 | Ca      | 0.067 510 | 29.625              |
| 32 | Ge      | 0.065 210 | 30.670              |
| 33 | As      | 0.063 236 | 31.628              |
| 37 | Rb      | 0.056 155 | 35.616              |
| 55 | Cs      | 0.037 342 | 53.559              |
| 80 | Hg      | 0.025 454 | 78.573              |

TABLE XVI. The positions  $r_0$  and the effective nuclear charges  $Z(\text{SCF}|r_0)$  for  $3s$  and  $3p$  functions belonging to self-consistent fields *with* exchange.

| Z  | Element          | $r_0'$    | $r_0''$  | 3s                   |                       | 3p       |                     |
|----|------------------|-----------|----------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------------------|
|    |                  |           |          | $Z(\text{SCF} r_0')$ | $Z(\text{SCF} r_0'')$ | $r_0$    | $Z(\text{SCF} r_0)$ |
| 17 | Cl <sup>-</sup>  | 0.121 60  | 0.554 99 | 15.641               | 12.790                | 0.531 53 | 11.288              |
| 18 | A                | 0.114 37  | 0.515 72 | 16.630               | 13.763                | 0.488 69 | 12.278              |
| 19 | K <sup>+</sup>   | 0.108 00  | 0.481 89 | 17.610               | 14.730                | 0.431 99 | 13.275              |
| 20 | Ca <sup>+2</sup> | 0.102 33  | 0.451 62 | 18.586               | 15.717                | 0.420 42 | 14.271              |
| 29 | Cu <sup>+</sup>  | 0.069 238 | 0.292 38 | 27.469               | 24.277                | 0.262 63 | 22.846              |

linearity rule, whereas the coefficients satisfy Eq. (I, 7). Typical examples may be found in Part I.

Another quantity characteristics for the asymptotic behavior is the eigenvalue parameter  $\epsilon_{nl}$ . For hydrogenlike functions we would have  $\epsilon_{nl} = Z^2/n$ , and, for SCF functions, the corresponding effective nuclear charge is then defined by

$$Z(\text{SCF}|\epsilon_{nl}) = n\sqrt{\epsilon_{nl}}. \quad (27)$$

Table XVII gives a survey of this quantity for some Ne-like and A-like ions, and we note that, for the outer electrons, the electronic shielding is so strong that the linearity rule for  $Z(\text{SCF}|\epsilon_{nl})$  holds only with a rather moderate accuracy as long as this quantity is comparatively large, whereas there are considerable deviations from this rule when  $Z(\text{SCF}|\epsilon)$  tends to zero on the side of the negative ions. However, if only two SCF data are available, the interpolation based on (27) gives at least a first estimate of the eigenvalue parameter, and, in actual computations, we have found that this value might be just as good as, e.g., the approximate eigenvalue obtained from the average value of the energy operator with respect to an interpolated SCF function.

If three or more SCF data are available, it is usually simpler to carry out the interpolations directly in the quantity  $\epsilon_{nl}$  itself, which is then considered as being a polynomial of at least the second degree in the atomic number  $Z$ .

In our investigation of the SCF functions, we have found that the hydrogenlike behavior decreases when the point under consideration moves outwards from origin, which depends on the simple fact that the electronic screening gets an increasing importance in comparison to the nuclear attraction. The idea of the "effective nuclear charge" must consequently lose some of its validity when it is applied to the asymptotic behavior, and it is therefore probable that a more detailed description of quantities like, e.g., the eigenvalues can be given first after a closer investigation of the basic Hartree-Fock equations.

## II. INTERPOLATION OF SELF-CONSISTENT-FIELD WAVE FUNCTIONS

In the previous section we have investigated the interpolation of certain point properties of the SCF functions, and will now study the problem of the interpolation of the SCF functions as a whole. Our different

attempts to treat this question have shown us that the eventual nodes in the SCF functions cause considerable complications in this connection, and we will therefore take advantage of the fact that these nodes may be interpolated separately by using (26).

Let us start by dividing the function  $f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)$  by a polynomial  $r^{l+1}(r_0'-r)(r_0''-r)\dots$ , where  $r_0', r_0'', \dots$  are the  $(n-l-1)$  zero points of the function itself; the quotient is nodeless and monotonously decreasing with increasing  $r$ . Let us also form a table of the quantity

$$\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r) = \log_e \{ f_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r) / r^{l+1}(r_0'-r)(r_0''-r)\dots \}. \quad (28)$$

We observe that, except for the normalization constant, the quantity  $\phi_{nl}(Z|r)$  for a hydrogenlike function is linear in  $rZ/n$ , and, according to the analogy rule, we may then consider  $\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)$  as being the same linear function of  $rZ_{\text{eff}}(r)/n$ :

$$\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r) = \phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|0) - rZ_{\text{eff}}(r)/n. \quad (29)$$

We postulate that the effective charge  $Z_{\text{eff}}(r)$  should be an almost linear function of the atomic number, convenient for interpolation purposes.

TABLE XVII. The effective nuclear charge  $Z(\text{SCF}|\epsilon_{nl})$  corresponding to the eigenvalue parameters  $\epsilon_{nl}$  for some Ne-like and some A-like ions.

| Ne series, with exchange.  |                  |       |       |       |       |       |
|--|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Z  | Element          | 1s    | 2s    | 2p    | 3s    | 3p    |
| 10   | Ne               | 8.093 | 3.925 |       |       | 2.598 |
| 11   | Na <sup>+</sup>  | 9.026 | 4.960 |       |       | 3.796 |
| 12   | Mg <sup>+2</sup> | 9.973 | 5.981 |       |       | 4.895 |
| 13   | Al <sup>+3</sup> | 10.94 | 7.019 |       |       | 5.985 |
| 14   | Si <sup>+4</sup> | 11.90 | 8.042 |       |       | 7.046 |
| Average difference:  |                  | 0.952 | 1.029 |       |       | 1.112 |
| A-series, upper values with exchange, lower values without exchange. |                  |       |       |       |       |       |
| Z  | Element          | 1s    | 2s    | 2p    | 3s    | 3p    |
| 17   | Cl <sup>-</sup>  | 14.46 | 9.049 | 7.846 | 3.617 | 1.635 |
|  |                  | 14.46 | 8.567 | 7.582 | 3.116 | 1.013 |
| 18   | A                | 15.40 | 9.930 | 8.752 | 4.795 | 3.260 |
|  |                  | ...   | ...   | ...   | ...   | ...   |
|  |                  | ...   | ...   | ...   | ...   | ...   |
| 19   | K <sup>+</sup>   | 16.36 | 10.85 | 9.693 | 5.947 | 4.590 |
|  |                  | 16.35 | 10.33 | 9.374 | 5.268 | 4.096 |
| 20   | Ca <sup>+2</sup> | 17.32 | 11.79 | 10.65 | 7.072 | 5.814 |
|  |                  | 17.31 | 11.27 | 10.32 | 6.390 | 5.330 |
| Average difference:  |                  | 0.953 | 0.914 | 0.935 | 1.152 | 1.393 |
|  |                  | 0.950 | 0.901 | 0.913 | 1.091 | 1.439 |



The problem of interpolating an SCF function as a whole may now simply be solved by performing linear interpolations in the functions  $\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)$  given by (28) for each  $r$  value under consideration, with an eventual renormalization of the first preliminary result as to the entire wave function. In order to test this rule, we have applied it to the series of A-like ions, where we have interpolated the SCF functions with exchange for  $\text{K}^+$  from the tabulated functions for  $\text{Cl}^-$  and  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  and compared them with the correct ones. The results in Table XVIII show that the errors for the 1s, 2s, and 2p functions are hardly of the order  $\pm 0.002$ , whereas the errors for the 3s and 3p functions are slightly larger.

Let us now study in greater detail the continuously varying effective charge which, according to (29), is defined by the formula

$$Z_{\text{eff}}(r)/n = \{\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|0) - \phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|r)\}/r. \quad (30)$$

By using (20) and (22), we obtain

$$\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|0) = \frac{2l+3}{2} \log_e K_{nl} - \log_e \alpha_n r_0' r_0'' \dots, \quad (31)$$

where all quantities in the right-hand member may be interpolated according to rules given in the previous section. We note, however, that the value of  $\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|0)$  is in all events rather unimportant since it corresponds only to a normalization constant in the wave function, which can always be determined afterwards. If there is an uncertainty of  $\Delta\phi_0$  in the value of  $\phi_{nl}(\text{SCF}|0)$ , there will be a corresponding uncertainty of  $\Delta\phi_0/r$  in the quantity  $Z_{\text{eff}}(r)/n$ , which is particularly large in the vicinity of  $r=0$ . Using (22), (23), and (28), we obtain for the point  $r=0$  in particular

$$Z_{\text{eff}}(0)/n = \frac{Z}{l+1} - \frac{1}{r_0'} - \frac{1}{r_0''} - \dots \quad (32)$$

TABLE XVIII. The error in the SCF functions for  $\text{K}^+$  with exchange obtained from the given functions for  $\text{Cl}^-$  and  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  by linear interpolation in the auxiliary function (28). Unit =  $10^{-3}$ .

| $r$<br>interval | 1s        | 2s      | 2p   | 3s      | 3p      |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|------|---------|---------|
| 0.00            | $\pm 0.5$ | 0       | 0    | +2      | +0.5    |
| 0.02            | -1        | $\pm 1$ | +0.5 | +3      | +3      |
| 0.08            | -1        | -2      | +1.5 | -6      | +6      |
| 0.30            | +1        | +1      | -2   | $\pm 4$ | $\pm 5$ |
| 0.60            |           | +1      | -1   | +5      | -7      |
| 1.20            |           | -0.5    | -1   | -6      | +8      |
| 4.00            |           |         |      | -1      | +1      |

In addition to  $Z_{\text{eff}}(r)$ , we have also studied the quantity

$$\omega_{nl}(r) = Z_{\text{eff}}(r)/Z_{\text{eff}}(0). \quad (33)$$

This function is monotonously decreasing with increasing  $r$  from the value  $\omega(0)=1$ , and it describes, therefore, in a simple way some of the essential properties of the SCF functions, particularly their deviations from the hydrogenlike form. Practically we have found that this function is very slowly varying with the atomic number and that the accuracy of the interpolations may be improved by performing them in  $\omega(r)$  instead of in  $Z_{\text{eff}}(r)$  or in (28). In this way, the error in, for instance, the 3p function of  $\text{K}^+$  with exchange derived from  $\text{Cl}^-$  and  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  may be reduced by about 50 percent in comparison to the values given in Table XVIII.

As an example, we have given the  $\omega$  functions for the series of Ne-like ions with exchange in Table XIX. The  $\omega$  functions for some A-like ions ( $\text{Cl}^-$ , A,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ ) and  $\text{Cu}^+$  with and without exchange have also been calculated and are available on special request.<sup>16</sup> The tables are all affected by small normalization constant uncertainties  $\Delta\phi_0/r$  of the type described above, and it is, therefore, remarkable that they still fit rather smoothly together in spite of the fact that the tables are given in their original form without being adjusted to each other.

In the results for the A-like ions and  $\text{Cu}^+$ , one can observe another characteristic feature of the  $\omega$  functions, namely, that for an isoelectronic series the difference between the two  $\omega$  functions for fields with and without exchange seems to be approximately the same function of  $r$  for all elements of the series. This property may be used for estimating wave functions with exchange from those without exchange in case only one field with exchange is known in the series.

A comparison of the  $\omega$  functions for the 1s, 2s, and 2p functions with exchange for the Ne-like and the A-like ions, respectively, shows further the effect of adding a complete outer electronic shell.

Finally, with respect to the tables published here, we would like to emphasize that, in order to utilize the full accuracy of the given material and to avoid rounding-off errors, we have in general kept at least one figure more in the tables than is actually valid. This is particularly true for the "tails" of the wave functions.

Up till now, several fields with exchange have been determined for atoms and ions up to  $Z=39(\text{Cu}^+)$ , whereas quite a few additional fields without exchange have been calculated up to  $Z=80(\text{Hg})$ . However,

<sup>16</sup> Tables of the  $\omega$  functions for some A-like ions ( $\text{Cl}^-$ , A,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$ ) and  $\text{Cu}^+$ , supplementary to this article, have been deposited as Document number 4222 with the ADI Auxiliary Publications Project, Photoduplication Service, Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C. A copy may be secured by citing the Document number and by remitting \$1.25 for photoprints, or \$1.25 for 35-mm microfilm. Advance payment is required. Make checks or money orders payable to: Chief, Photoduplication Service, Library of Congress.

TABLE XIX. The characteristic functions  $\omega_{nl}(r)$  for the SCF functions of some Ne-like ions with exchange. These quantities, defined by  $\omega(r) = Z_{\text{eff}}(r)/Z_{\text{eff}}(0)$ , describe the relative decrease in the specific effective nuclear charge under consideration here. In addition, the first nonvanishing derivative in origin, the position  $r_0$  of the node of the  $2s$  function, and the values of  $Z_{\text{eff}}(0)$  are tabulated for the calculation of the wave functions themselves.

| 1s functions with exchange. |        |                 |                  |                  |                  | 2s functions with exchange. |         |                 |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------|--------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| $r$                         | Ne     | Na <sup>+</sup> | Mg <sup>+2</sup> | Al <sup>+3</sup> | Si <sup>+4</sup> | $r$                         | Ne      | Na <sup>+</sup> | Mg <sup>+2</sup> | Al <sup>+3</sup> | Si <sup>+4</sup> |
| 0.0                         | 1.0000 | 1.0000          | 1.0000           | 1.0000           | 1.0000           | 3.6                         | 0.5510  | 0.5656          | 0.5637           | 0.6110           | 0.6191           |
| 0.1                         | 0.9858 | 0.9851          | 0.9851           | 0.9858           | 0.9863           | 3.8                         | 0.5443  | 0.5588          | 0.5538           | 0.6093           | 0.6133           |
| 0.2                         | 0.9735 | 0.9730          | 0.9732           | 0.9734           | 0.9735           | 4.0                         | 0.5352  | 0.5552          | 0.5442           | 0.6076           | 0.6078           |
| 0.3                         | 0.9637 | 0.9631          | 0.9632           | 0.9629           | 0.9630           | $r_0$                       | 0.21836 | 0.19745         | 0.18014          | 0.16542          | 0.15304          |
| 0.4                         | 0.9550 | 0.9542          | 0.9537           | 0.9528           | 0.9520           | $f_0'$                      | 14.24   | 17.16           | 20.24            | 23.60            | 27.10            |
| 0.5                         | 0.9468 | 0.9452          | 0.9442           | 0.9427           | 0.9413           | $Z_0/2$                     | 5.4204  | 5.9354          | 6.4488           | 6.9548           | 7.4658           |
| 0.6                         | 0.9381 | 0.9351          | 0.9335           | 0.9301           | 0.9287           | 2p functions with exchange. |         |                 |                  |                  |                  |
| 0.7                         | 0.9284 | 0.9239          | 0.9287           | 0.9148           | 0.9218           | $r$                         | Ne      | Na <sup>+</sup> | Mg <sup>+2</sup> | Al <sup>+3</sup> | Si <sup>+4</sup> |
| $f_0'$                      | 60.76  | 70.25           | 80.26            | 90.77            | 101.8            | 0.0                         | 1.0000  | 1.0000          | 1.0000           | 1.0000           | 1.0000           |
| $Z_0$                       | 10     | 11              | 12               | 13               | 14               | 0.1                         | 0.9489  | 0.9485          | 0.9447           | 0.9445           | 0.9444           |
| 2s functions with exchange. |        |                 |                  |                  |                  | 0.2                         | 0.9025  | 0.9007          | 0.8989           | 0.9008           | 0.8996           |
| $r$                         | Ne     | Na <sup>+</sup> | Mg <sup>+2</sup> | Al <sup>+3</sup> | Si <sup>+4</sup> | 0.3                         | 0.8637  | 0.8639          | 0.8630           | 0.8648           | 0.8654           |
| 0.0                         | 1.0000 | 1.0000          | 1.0000           | 1.0000           | 1.0000           | 0.4                         | 0.8323  | 0.8327          | 0.8330           | 0.8352           | 0.8364           |
| 0.1                         | 0.9553 | 0.9531          | 0.9533           | 0.9533           | 0.9533           | 0.5                         | 0.8046  | 0.8058          | 0.8067           | 0.8094           | 0.8117           |
| 0.2                         | 0.9161 | 0.9128          | 0.9102           | 0.9134           | 0.9122           | 0.6                         | 0.7804  | 0.7820          | 0.7832           | 0.7870           | 0.7902           |
| 0.3                         | 0.8831 | 0.8830          | 0.8810           | 0.8824           | 0.8817           | 0.7                         | 0.7582  | 0.7603          | 0.7626           | 0.7672           | 0.7713           |
| 0.4                         | 0.8571 | 0.8559          | 0.8547           | 0.8558           | 0.8556           | 0.8                         | 0.7381  | 0.7409          | 0.7437           | 0.7494           | 0.7549           |
| 0.5                         | 0.8333 | 0.8323          | 0.8313           | 0.8325           | 0.8328           | 0.9                         | 0.7192  | 0.7230          | 0.7268           | 0.7337           | 0.7401           |
| 0.6                         | 0.8123 | 0.8109          | 0.8103           | 0.8121           | 0.8129           | 1.0                         | 0.7021  | 0.7065          | 0.7114           | 0.7193           | 0.7270           |
| 0.7                         | 0.7928 | 0.7918          | 0.7915           | 0.7937           | 0.7953           | 1.1                         | 0.6858  | 0.6915          | 0.6975           | 0.7066           | 0.7153           |
| 0.8                         | 0.7749 | 0.7742          | 0.7745           | 0.7774           | 0.7798           | 1.2                         | 0.6709  | 0.6777          | 0.6847           | 0.6950           | 0.7047           |
| 0.9                         | 0.7585 | 0.7581          | 0.7589           | 0.7627           | 0.7659           | 1.4                         | 0.6439  | 0.6527          | 0.6624           | 0.6749           | 0.6866           |
| 1.0                         | 0.7431 | 0.7434          | 0.7448           | 0.7495           | 0.7537           | 1.6                         | 0.6203  | 0.6314          | 0.6436           | 0.6581           | 0.6715           |
| 1.1                         | 0.7288 | 0.7297          | 0.7319           | 0.7375           | 0.7427           | 1.8                         | 0.5992  | 0.6129          | 0.6271           | 0.6443           | 0.6588           |
| 1.2                         | 0.7157 | 0.7173          | 0.7203           | 0.7269           | 0.7326           | 2.0                         | 0.5808  | 0.5970          | 0.6136           | 0.6319           | 0.6469           |
| 1.4                         | 0.6917 | 0.6948          | 0.6998           | 0.7081           | 0.7159           | 2.2                         | 0.5643  | 0.5828          | 0.6014           | 0.6214           | 0.6351           |
| 1.6                         | 0.6708 | 0.6756          | 0.6822           | 0.6921           | 0.7016           | 2.4                         | 0.5492  | 0.5700          | 0.5904           | 0.6122           | 0.6276           |
| 1.8                         | 0.6522 | 0.6588          | 0.6670           | 0.6794           | 0.6890           | 2.6                         | 0.5362  | 0.5588          | 0.5806           | 0.6041           | 0.6184           |
| 2.0                         | 0.6358 | 0.6445          | 0.6530           | 0.6677           | 0.6781           | 2.8                         | 0.5240  | 0.5490          | 0.5721           | 0.5967           | 0.6083           |
| 2.2                         | 0.6214 | 0.6311          | 0.6400           | 0.6577           | 0.6685           | 3.0                         | 0.5129  | 0.5391          | 0.5648           | 0.5904           | 0.6016           |
| 2.4                         | 0.6083 | 0.6191          | 0.6278           | 0.6490           | 0.6599           | 3.2                         | 0.5030  | 0.5307          | 0.5578           | 0.5851           | 0.5918           |
| 2.6                         | 0.5959 | 0.6090          | 0.6163           | 0.6414           | 0.6520           | 3.4                         | 0.4935  | 0.5218          | 0.5484           | 0.5784           |                  |
| 2.8                         | 0.5857 | 0.5992          | 0.6051           | 0.6348           | 0.6446           | 3.6                         | 0.4852  | 0.5143          | 0.5413           | 0.5737           |                  |
| 3.0                         | 0.5754 | 0.5900          | 0.5943           | 0.6275           | 0.6377           | 3.8                         | 0.4776  | 0.5072          | 0.5342           | 0.5675           |                  |
| 3.2                         | 0.5659 | 0.5829          | 0.5839           | 0.6237           | 0.6312           | 4.0                         | 0.4697  | 0.5014          | 0.5284           | 0.5617           |                  |
| 3.4                         | 0.5583 | 0.5730          | 0.5737           | 0.6184           | 0.6245           | $f_0''/2$                   | 27.79   | 38.92           | 52.00            | 67.81            | 85.80            |
|                             |        |                 |                  |                  |                  | $Z_0/2$                     | 5.0     | 5.5             | 6.0              | 6.5              | 7.0              |

there are also a rather large number of atoms and ions left out in the first treatment of the periodic system where the interpolation methods described here may prove to be useful. Further applications of the theory will be given in a later paper of this series.

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