

S, P, and D states of two-electron ions via Z-dependent perturbation theory

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A perturbation study of singly excited S, P, and D states of two-electron atoms has been made. Perturbation expansion coefficients for the nonrelativistic energies are computed and estimates of the relativistic corrections to low orders in Z are also obtained. A simple one-electron Lamb-shift correction is then combined with these results to yield theoretical transition energies in excellent agreement with experimental data for He I through Fe XXV.

I. INTRODUCTION

In a recent application of Z-dependent perturbation theory,¹ the authors made use of two-electron, first-order wave functions to obtain accurate transition energies for several S, P, and D states of three-electron ions. One aspect of the work was a simplified procedure for obtaining relativistic corrections to the energy.² The accuracy of these transition energies indicated that this approach to the relativistic corrections might be usefully applied to the corresponding two-electron states. In the latter case, third and higher-order nonrelativistic energy coefficients could be more easily computed, rather than extracted from the experimental data for the first few members of an isoelectronic sequence, as was done in Refs. 1 and 2. Further, very accurate variational calculations for some of these two-electron states are available³⁻⁶; in particular, relativistic corrections from these calculations^{3,4} permit an evaluation of the accuracy to be expected from the simple approach used here.

For the present paper, the accuracy of the two-electron, first-order wave functions has been improved and the computations extended to higher order. In addition to the relativistic corrections, estimates of the Lamb shift are included. These results are then combined to yield theoretical estimates of transition energies for singlet and triplet NS, NP, and ND states through N=9. Finally, these theoretical values are compared with the available experimental data for He I through Fe XXV. The theoretical transition energies obtained form a consistent set of data for all states of the He isoelectronic sequence considered here.

II. METHOD

A. The nonrelativistic energy

The Hamiltonian for a nonrelativistic two-electron atom in charge-scaled atomic units is

$$H = H_0 + \frac{1}{Z}H_1, \quad (1)$$

where

$$H_0 = -\frac{1}{2}(\nabla_1^2 + \nabla_2^2) - \frac{1}{r_1} - \frac{1}{r_2}, \quad (2)$$

$$H_1 = \frac{1}{r_{12}} \quad (3)$$

are the unperturbed Hamiltonian and perturbation, respectively. The wave function and energy are then written as

$$\Psi = \sum_{n=0} Z^{-n} \psi_n, \quad (4)$$

$$E = \sum_{n=0} Z^{2-n} \epsilon_n. \quad (5)$$

The ψ_n are obtained by a variational-perturbation procedure⁷ using trial functions of the form

$$\psi_n^{NL} = (1 \pm P_{12})(A + r_{12}B) \times e^{-k_n(r_1+r_2/N)} P_L(\cos\theta_2), \quad (6)$$

with A and B both of the form

$$\sum_{abl} C_{abl}^{(n)} r_1^{a+l} r_2^{b+l+L} P_l(\cos\theta_{12}). \quad (7)$$

For the calculations reported here the expansions for A usually contain about 200 terms, while those

for B contain 50 or fewer terms; the expansion for B contains all terms such that $a + b + 2l \leq 6$ or 4 while A contains terms with $a + b + 2l \leq 12$, but emphasizing those terms with higher powers of r_2 (i.e., $b > a$). Note that for D states this form of the trial function includes only $(s-d)$ -type terms—no $(p-p)$ terms. Also included in the trial functions for these excited states are the zero-order functions for less excited states of the same symmetry. With the inclusion of these terms the optimized ψ_n yield a rigorous upper bound⁸ for ϵ_{2n} and an estimate of ϵ_{2n+1} .

The nonlinear parameter k_n was optimized for ψ_1 only, and then the same basis was used for all the higher-order wave functions. Although less accurate than individually optimizing the k_n ,⁹ this procedure yields higher-order results with very little additional computational effort. Thus the order to which each state was calculated was limited only by the increasing numerical inaccuracy introduced by this simpler approach. It should be noted that this can be a severe limitation, and more accurate results obtained without such restrictions were used where available.^{8(c)}

Since the final results are presented in terms of transition energies to the 1^1S ground state of the ion, the nonrelativistic contribution to the transition energy is written as

$$T_{nr} = \sum_{n=0}^{n_f} e_n Z^{2-n}, \quad (8)$$

where $e_n = \epsilon_n^{NL} - \epsilon_n^{1S}$, and the ground-state expansion coefficients are taken from the work of Aashamar.¹⁰ The truncation point n_f , was determined by the accuracy of the excited-state expansion coefficients.

B. Relativistic corrections

The approach followed here was identical to that of Ref. 1. The relativistic correction is given by the Breit formula¹¹

$$E_{rel} = \alpha^2 \left[-\frac{1}{4} \langle p_1^4 \rangle + \pi Z \langle \delta(\vec{r}_1) \rangle + \pi \langle \delta(\vec{r}_{12}) \rangle \right], \quad (9)$$

with α the fine-structure constant. Note that no spin-orbit or spin-spin operators are included. The triplet states are thus to be compared to a multiplet average of the experimental fine-structure levels, whenever those are available. The first two terms of Eq. (9) are evaluated to first order in Z , the third

term to zero order in Z , giving the first two terms of the Z expansion of E_{rel} ,

$$E_{rel} = \alpha^2 (Z^4 b_0 + Z^3 b_1). \quad (10)$$

However the actual expression used is¹²

$$E_{rel} = \alpha^2 (Z - \sigma)^4 b_0, \quad (11)$$

which, with $\sigma = -b_1/(4b_0)$, reproduces Eq. (10) through Z^3 while providing some contributions of order Z^2 and beyond. In the above,

$$b_0 = -\frac{1}{8} - \frac{(8N-6L-3)}{8N^4(2L+1)} + \frac{\delta_{L,0}}{2N^3} \quad (12)$$

and the b_1 are listed in Table V of Ref. 1. However, since the final results are expressed as transition energies, the contribution of the Breit formula was given by

$$T_{rel} = \alpha^2 (Z - \sigma)^4 b_0^{NL} - \alpha^2 \sum_{n=0} b_n^{1S} Z^{4-n}, \quad (13)$$

where the b_0^{NL} in Eq. (13) and in the expression for σ differs from that of Eq. (12) by the elimination of the term $-\frac{1}{8}$. Similarly, the b_0^{1S} used in Eq. (13) was $-\frac{1}{8}$ rather than the correct value of $-\frac{1}{4}$. This procedure gave a slight improvement in T_{rel} . The higher-order b_n^{1S} are also taken from the work of Aashamar.¹⁰

C. Lamb shift

The Lamb-shift correction is of order Z^4 and was neglected in Ref. 1 where the nonrelativistic energy was sufficiently inaccurate to make its inclusion unnecessary. For the present two-electron study, however, inclusion of the Lamb shift is essential, since for many of the excited states the nonrelativistic energies are well converged. In obtaining estimates of the Lamb shift a simple one-electron approximation was used,

$$E_L = E_L(1S, Z) + E_L(NL, Z^*) \quad (14)$$

with

$$E_L(NS, Z) = \frac{Z^4}{N^3} \left[-2 \ln(\alpha Z) - \ln(K_{N,0}) + \frac{19}{30} \right] \quad (15)$$

for S states and

$$E_L(NL, Z) = -\frac{Z^4}{N^3} \ln(K_{N,L}) \quad (16)$$

for P and D states. $K_{N,L}$ is the average excitation potential¹³ of the one-electron ion and $Z^* = Z - 1 + (3-L)/N^2$ represents an *ad hoc* screening for the excited electron. No screening was used for the $1S$ electron so that the contribution of E_L to the transition energy would go to the right limit for large N . The ground-state Lamb shift necessary for the transition energy was taken from Aashamar.¹⁰

D. Mass polarization

In the present calculations, the mass-polarization correction for the excited state is ignored, and only the contribution of the ground state to the transition energy is included. The latter is almost constant with increasing Z with a value of $\sim 7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for $Z=6$ through 10 (Ref. 10). In contrast, the mass-polarization correction for S (Ref. 3) and D (Ref. 14) states is quite small and decreases rapidly as N increases. For these states, then, the ground-state correction is sufficient and, indeed, only makes a noticeable contribution for low- Z ions. This is not the case for the P states, however, where the absolute value of the polarization correction for the excited states is increasing with Z although still decreasing rapidly with N (Ref. 3).

III. RESULTS

The nonrelativistic energy expansion coefficients for the states considered here are listed in Tables I–VI. The higher-order coefficients listed are based on 100-term expansions for the perturbation wave functions using high-precision (28-decimal digit) arithmetic since, given the number of states considered here, calculations with the 200+ terms used for the first-order wave functions would have been prohibitive in terms of computer time. For the 2^3S and $2^{1,3}P$ states, the higher-order coefficients listed are taken from the earlier work of Sanders and Scherr,^{8(c)} where the k_n for the higher-order wave functions are individually optimized. Values of these coefficients from other theoretical studies of these states are listed for comparison where these are available.

Tables VII and VIII list values of $\alpha^{-2}T_{\text{rel}}$ given by Eq. (13) for those S and P states studied by Accad, *et al.*⁴ Comparison with the latter authors' ac-

curate calculations permits an evaluation of the accuracy obtained with the approximation used here for the relativistic correction.

Finally, Tables IX–XIV present the transition energies for all S , P , and D states considered here for all ions from He I through Fe XXV inclusive, together with accurate experimental values for these transition energies. In many cases these experimental values are taken from recent critical compilations of the available data by the National Bureau of Standards Atomic Energy Levels Data Center, and thus include some theoretical values. In the tables, such theoretical values are indicated by parenthesis. For the most highly ionized S and P states, the listed values are almost exclusively theoretical values taken from the work of Ermolaev and Jones.¹⁵

IV. DISCUSSION

A. The nonrelativistic energy

For Z -dependent perturbation theory to yield accurate nonrelativistic energies, the ϵ_n must be known with sufficient accuracy and through a sufficiently high order. In particular, ϵ_2 must be known to high accuracy—indeed, for large Z , accurate values of ϵ_2 and ϵ_3 are enough to yield acceptable values of the nonrelativistic energy. Generally, the ϵ_n computed here and presented in Tables I–VI fulfill these requirements. Note particularly the agreement with the results of Blanchard,¹⁶ where the ϵ_n for the S and P states are extracted from the accurate variational calculations of Accad *et al.*⁴ The agreement is particularly striking for the ϵ_2 , but is also remarkably good for the higher-order coefficients, which have been computed here with more limited expansion sets for the ψ_n . Also included in the tables are the results of Aashamar *et al.*^{17,18} for the $N=2$ and $3S$ and P states and the results of Blanchard and Drake⁶ for the $N=3$ for $4D$ states. These results are obtained via variational-perturbation wave functions of a complexity similar to that of the present ψ_n . Indeed the $2, 3^3S \epsilon_n, n \geq 4$ of Ref. 17 are somewhat superior and the $3D \epsilon_n$ of Ref. 6 clearly superior to those of the present study. The $4D$ results of Ref. 6 appear to be of similar accuracy to those of the present paper. Note that, generally, for the present results the D -state calculations are not of as high a quality as the S - and P -state calculations. Finally, the tables also include some ϵ_2 computed nonvariationally by Ivanova *et al.*¹⁹

TABLE I. The ϵ_n in a.u. for the N^1S states.^a

n	2 ¹ S	3 ¹ S	4 ¹ S	5 ¹ S	6 ¹ S	7 ¹ S	8 ¹ S	9 ¹ S
2	-0.114 510 11 -0.114 510 15 ^b -0.114 487 03 ^c -0.114 50 ^d	-0.049 107 87 -0.049 061 36 ^c -0.049 16 ^d	-0.028 163 33 -0.028 156 ^b -0.028 27 ^d	-0.018 338 00 -0.018 334 ^b -0.018 50 ^d	-0.012 900 44	-0.009 569 86	-0.007 379 95	-0.005 863 40
3	0.009 327 78 0.009 328 0 ^b 0.009 224 00 ^c	-0.001 268 78 -0.000 944 33 ^c	-0.000 750 20 -0.000 84 ^b	-0.000 394 61 -0.000 47 ^b	-0.000 177 94	-0.000 250 93	-0.000 259 30	-0.000 121 82
4	-0.001 283 61 -0.001 286 ^b -0.001 084 86 ^c	-0.001 448 29 -0.001 5 ^b 0.000 249 81 ^c	-0.000 845 18 -0.000 8 ^b	0.000 229 50 -0.000 5 ^b	-0.000 227 54	-0.000 136 09	-0.000 164 76	0.001 941 98
5	0.006 202 11 0.006 2 ^b 0.005 978 67 ^c	0.005 433 45 0.005 ^b 0.010 601 90 ^c	0.004 443 93 0.002 ^b	0.007 925 95 0.001 ^b	0.001 452 99	0.000 368 93	0.000 686 80	
6	-0.001 454 88 -0.001 5 ^b -0.001 327 80 ^c	0.003 330 65 0.013 939 79 ^c						-0.000 095 19
7	-0.003 485 32 -0.005 ^b -0.003 742 10 ^c	0.005 985 52 0.018 265 91 ^c						
8	-0.000 911 64 -0.001 999 19 ^c							

^aThe first line in each entry of the table is from the present study. Additional lines are from earlier theoretical studies.

^bP. Blanchard, Ref. 16.

^cK. Aashamar, G. Lyslo, and J. Midtald, Ref. 18.

^dA. N. Ivanova, U. I. Safronova, and V. N. Kharitonova, Ref. 19.

TABLE II. The ϵ_n in a.u. for the N^3S states.^a

n	2^3S	3^3S	4^3S	5^3S	6^3S	7^3S	8^3S	9^3S
2	-0.047 409 30	-0.032 317 54	-0.021 301 58	-0.014 846 95	-0.010 880 05	-0.008 296 04	-0.006 527 12	-0.005 265 95
	-0.047 409 30 ^b	-0.032 317 54 ^c	-0.021 301 54 ^d	-0.014 846 86 ^d				
	-0.047 41 ^c	-0.032 34 ^c	-0.021 37 ^c	-0.014 94 ^c				
3	-0.004 872 28	-0.002 136 84	-0.001 107 11	-0.000 639 17	-0.000 400 21	-0.000 265 02	-0.000 191 80	-0.000 058 12
	-0.004 872 28 ^b	-0.002 136 86 ^c						
4	-0.003 457 57	-0.001 517 98	-0.000 720 11	-0.000 391 95	-0.000 233 51	-0.000 145 90	-0.000 077 12	0.001 718 77
	-0.003 457 80 ^b	-0.001 518 85 ^c	-0.000 721 ^d	-0.000 394 ^d				
5	-0.002 030 06	-0.000 781 81	-0.000 368 34	-0.000 200 55	-0.000 123 89	-0.000 084 62	0.000 387 06	
	-0.002 029 85 ^b	-0.000 786 72 ^c	-0.000 37 ^d	-0.000 20 ^d				
6	-0.001 287 09	-0.000 436 20	-0.000 235 56	-0.000 105 30	-0.000 052 67	0.000 043 98		
	-0.001 287 13 ^b	-0.000 465 63 ^c	-0.000 2 ^d	-0.000 1 ^d				
7	-0.000 871 45	-0.000 129 39	-0.000 272 07 ^c	-0.000 055 12	-0.000 021 39			
	-0.000 871 42 ^b							
8	-0.000 617 90	0.000 468 22		-0.000 005 18	0.000 186 22			
	-0.000 618 23 ^b	-0.000 175 08 ^c						
9	-0.000 454 12			-0.000 335 66				
	-0.000 454 43 ^b							

^aThe first line in each entry of the table is from the present study. Additional lines are from earlier theoretical studies.

^bK. Aashamar, J. Midtdal, and G. Lyslo, Ref. 17(a).

^cK. Aashamar, J. Midtdal, and G. Lyslo, Ref. 17(b).

^dP. Blanchard, Ref. 16.

^eA. N. Ivanova, U. I. Safronova, and V. N. Kharitonova, Ref. 19.

TABLE III. The ϵ_n in a.u. for the N^1P states.^a

n	2^1P	3^1P	4^1P	5^1P	6^1P	7^1P	8^1P	9^1P
2	-0.15702866	-0.06075236	-0.03298198	-0.02078893	-0.01431501	-0.01045705	-0.00797010	-0.00626864
	-0.15702859 ^b	-0.0607529 ^b	-0.032977 ^b	-0.020787 ^b				
	-0.15702150 ^c	-0.06072567 ^c						
	-0.15703 ^d	-0.06391 ^d						
3	0.02610628	-0.00027521	-0.00065410	-0.00042504	-0.00042651	-0.00049120	-0.00041751	-0.00037165
	0.02605959 ^c	-0.000257 ^b	-0.00073 ^b	-0.00048 ^b				
		-0.00009428 ^c						
4	0.00578876	0.00421906	0.00154906	0.00450335	0.00288710	0.00207001	0.00040237	0.00014270
	0.00591490 ^c	0.00377 ^b	0.0015 ^b	0.0007 ^b				
		0.00500355 ^c						
5	-0.00504131	0.00509654	0.00564446	-0.00038240	0.01911453	0.01499166	0.00085740	0.00080983
	-0.00524215 ^c	0.0069 ^b	0.003 ^b	0.002 ^b				
		0.00879165 ^c						
6	-0.00706659	-0.00501294		-0.00369886			-0.00074217	0.00655950
	-0.00688944 ^c	-0.010 ^b						
		0.00436384 ^c						
7	-0.00125946	-0.00468079		-0.00116250			-0.00048335	
	-0.00133382 ^c	0.002 ^b						
		0.01643351 ^c						
8	0.00340512							
	0.00342461 ^c							
9	0.00192093							
	0.00195397 ^c							

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^dA. N. Ivanova, U. I. Safronova, and V. N. Kharitonova, Ref. 19.

TABLE IV. The ϵ_n in a.u. for the N^3P states.^a

n	2^3P	3^3P	4^3P	5^3P	6^3P	7^3P	8^3P	9^3P
2	-0.072 998 98	-0.041 856 34	-0.025 644 55	-0.017 163 25	-0.012 255 72	-0.009 177 52	-0.007 123 63	-0.005 686 23
	-0.072 998 97 ^b	-0.041 856 3 ^b	-0.025 644 4 ^b	-0.017 163 1 ^b				
	-0.072 996 75 ^c	-0.041 836 63 ^c						
	-0.072 99 ^d	-0.044 87 ^d						
3	-0.016 585 30	-0.003 351 17	-0.001 321 02	-0.000 667 06	-0.000 424 41	-0.000 302 36	-0.000 239 89	-0.000 209 86
	-0.016 594 32 ^c	-0.003 352 ^b	-0.001 323 ^b	-0.000 670 ^b				
		-0.003 217 65 ^c						
4	-0.010 353 09	-0.002 710 13	-0.001 010 74	-0.000 233 99	0.000 168 45	0.000 806 99	0.000 533 94	0.000 074 08
	-0.010 339 61 ^c	-0.002 72 ^b	-0.001 05 ^b	-0.000 51 ^b				
		-0.002 110 62 ^c						
5	-0.005 424 84	-0.001 497 37	-0.000 261 71	0.001 839 29	0.003 090 77	0.009 681 05	0.005 434 81	0.002 882 99
	-0.005 436 13 ^c	-0.001 5 ^b	-0.000 6 ^b	-0.000 3 ^b				
		0.000 550 89 ^c						
6	-0.002 020 80	-0.000 738 41	0.001 999 45					
	-0.002 017 02 ^c	-0.000 8 ^b	-0.000 4 ^b					
		0.004 736 45 ^c						
7	0.000 238 27	-0.000 286 75						
	0.000 236 49 ^c	0.011 852 75 ^c						
8	0.001 610 32	0.004 847 30						
	0.001 612 29 ^c	0.021 822 11 ^c						
9	0.002 269 62	0.002 946 20						
	0.002 278 54 ^c	0.030 264 80 ^c						

^aThe first line in each entry of the table is from the present study. Additional lines are from earlier theoretical studies.

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^dA. N. Ivanova, U. I. Safronova, and V. N. Kharitonova, Ref. 19.

TABLE V. The ϵ_n in a.u. for the N^1D states.^a

n	3^1D	4^1D	5^1D	6^1D	7^1D	8^1D	9^1D
2	-0.057 387 77 -0.057 482 2 ^b -0.057 31 ^c	-0.032 110 73 -0.032 121 6 ^b	-0.020 455 82	-0.014 155 71	-0.010 371 24	-0.007 921 53	-0.006 244 52
3	0.005 538 59 0.005 974 4 ^b	0.002 486 95 0.002 444 71 ^b	0.001 308 43	0.000 852 70	0.000 674 28	0.000 083 74	0.000 032 03
4	-0.008 121 58 ^b	-0.002 882 32 -0.002 636 34 ^b	-0.001 224 59	0.000 190 03	0.001 559 31	0.000 145 14	0.000 057 84
5	0.005 564 48 ^b	0.002 445 71 0.000 644 30 ^b	0.002 327 04	0.006 076 91		-0.000 234 54	-0.000 037 85
6	-0.002 318 28 ^b	0.002 134 41 0.001 025 81 ^b					
7	0.000 816 29 ^b						
8	0.000 145 93 ^b						
9	-0.000 664 68 ^b						

^aThe first line in each entry of the table is from the present study. Additional lines are from earlier theoretical studies.

^bP. Blanchard and G. W. F. Drake, Ref. 6.

^cA. N. Ivanova, U. I. Safronova, and V. N. Kharitonova, Ref. 19.

TABLE VI. The ϵ_n in a.u. for the N^3D states.^a

n	3^3D	4^3D	5^3D	6^3D	7^3D	8^3D	9^3D
2	-0.054 615 28 -0.054 619 3 ^b -0.054 59 ^c	-0.030 684 33 -0.030 671 37 ^b	-0.019 675 45	-0.013 691 03	-0.010 075 30	-0.007 723 88	-0.006 108 03
3	-0.000 724 88 -0.000 731 80 ^b	-0.000 567 16 -0.000 666 06 ^b	-0.000 337 24	-0.000 199 89	-0.000 105 24	-0.000 173 68	-0.000 138 33
4	0.000 073 74 ^b	0.000 141 74 0.000 439 07 ^b	0.000 087 83	0.000 090 04	0.000 401 74	0.000 169 72	0.000 155 23
5	-0.000 087 86 ^b	0.000 088 86 -0.000 343 91 ^b	0.000 085 30	0.000 340 35		0.000 001 30	0.000 178 41
6	0.000 177 09 ^b	-0.000 043 03 -0.000 392 42 ^b	0.000 102 26				
7	0.000 069 71 ^b	0.000 095 09 0.001 828 46 ^b					
8	-0.000 294 96 ^b						
9	0.000 098 88 ^b						

^aThe first line in each entry of the table is from the present study. Additional lines are from earlier theoretical studies.

^bP. Blanchard and G. W. F. Drake, Ref. 6.

^cA. N. Ivanova, U. I. Safronova, and V. N. Kharitonova, Ref. 19.

TABLE VII. T_{rel}/α^2 in a.u. for some S states.^a

Z	2 ¹ S	3 ¹ S	4 ¹ S	5 ¹ S	2 ³ S	3 ³ S	4 ³ S	5 ³ S
2	1.448 69	1.464 65	1.470 73	1.473 21	1.274 31	1.422 36	1.454 68	1.465 52
	1.441 82	1.464 11	1.470 68	1.473 20	1.311 64	1.431 02	1.457 82	1.466 97
3	3.609 75	3.933 37	4.041 86	4.085 20	2.590 90	3.672 68	3.940 04	4.035 51
	3.578 02	3.935 58	4.044 40	4.086 83	2.690 42	3.697 34	3.949 26	4.039 83
4	10.364 61	12.130 09	12.699 34	12.925 06	7.273 35	11.324 71	12.381 60	12.769 04
	10.294 30	12.142 04	12.708 51	12.930 45	7.463 1	11.373 01	12.399 88	12.777 65
5	27.066 77	32.855 03	34.686 35	35.409 90	20.119 91	31.028 81	33.962 23	35.053 18
	26.945 4	32.884 23	34.706 30	35.421 01	20.428 0	31.108 39	33.992 55	35.067 53
6	61.133 09	75.575 88	80.094 59	81.876 03	47.992 17	72.102 87	78.713 31	81.194 29
	60.948 4	75.629 92	80.129 39	81.894 7	48.446 6	72.221 40	78.758 65	81.215 81
7	122.043 18	152.427 27	161.863 65	165.578 46	99.814 48	146.531 69	159.514 11	164.417 33
	121.782 9	152.513 67	161.917 28	165.606 3	100.443 4	146.696 82	159.577 46	164.447 48
8	221.339 22	278.210 59	295.780 88	302.690 65	186.573 78	268.966 80	292.091 64	300.865 77
	220.991 4	278.336 9	295.857 3	302.729 3	187.405 3	269.186 23	292.176 01	300.906 01
9	372.625 95	470.393 92	500.481 30	512.304 51	321.319 54	456.726 48	495.020 63	509.601 53
	372.178 4	470.567 5	500.584 3	512.355 3	322.381 7	457.007 89	495.129 0	509.653 32
10	591.570 63	749.112 03	797.447 62	816.430 37	519.163 75	729.795 65	789.723 46	812.604 94
	591.011 2	749.340 3	797.581 1	816.494 6	520.484 7	730.146 75	789.858 9	812.669 75

^aFor each entry, the first line is the result obtained in the present paper. The second line is from Accad *et al.*, Ref. 4.

B. The relativistic correction

The relativistic correction as applied here via Eq. (11) is in error by terms of order Z^2 . Thus, the relative error should decrease as Z^{-2} . For low Z , the total relativistic correction itself is rather small, $\sim 100 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for $Z=4$, the error being a few cm^{-1} , at most. In contrast, the nonrelativistic transition energy for $Z=4$ is $\sim 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ with an error of at most a few cm^{-1} . For larger values of Z , then, the accuracy of the nonrelativistic transition energy will increase and the error in the relativistic correction will determine the overall accuracy of the calculation. The present relativistic correction is compared with the earlier calculations of Accad *et al.*⁴ in Tables VII and VIII. Unfortunately, the tables indicate that the relative difference between the present results and those of Ref. 4 decreases roughly as Z^{-1} for the 3S states, or remains roughly constant for the 1S and $^{1,3}P$ states. This holds true for all states ($N=2$ to 5) of a particular symmetry, although the relative difference drops by about a fac-

tor of 10 from $N=2$ to $N=5$. It appears that the variational data of Ref. 4 have an error which is growing more rapidly than that of the Z -dependent data, i.e., more rapidly than Z^2 . Thus, the accuracy of the present method is indicated only by a comparison of the $Z=2$ data, for example, where the variational calculations are surely of high accuracy. From that point the relative error must necessarily be decreasing as Z^{-2} . It is also not possible to make useful comparisons with the high- Z extrapolations of Ermolaev and Jones,¹⁵ since these are extrapolations based on the calculations of Accad *et al.*,³ and display similar behavior.

C. Lamb shift

The Lamb-shift contribution to the transition energies must be included in the present calculations since, even for low values of Z , this contribution is of greater magnitude than the error introduced by the approximations leading to Eq. (11) for the rela-

TABLE VIII. T_{rel}/α^2 in a.u. for some P states.^a

Z	2^1P	3^1P	4^1P	5^1P	2^3P	3^3P	4^3P	5^3P
2	1.463 84	1.470 48	1.473 26	1.474 49	1.450 03	1.464 50	1.470 62	1.473 17
	1.436 09	1.461 27	1.469 16	1.472 2	1.503 04	1.480 96	1.477 62	1.476 79
3	3.895 01	4.029 64	4.083 10	4.106 09	3.785 18	3.983 25	4.062 58	4.095 89
	3.653 19	3.955 01	4.051 35	4.090 33	4.005 68	4.045 33	4.088 07	4.108 29
4	11.886 79	12.622 01	12.909 00	13.031 61	11.516 52	12.466 88	12.840 39	12.997 51
	11.079 58	12.382 42	12.808 98	12.983 1	11.775 20	12.526 64	12.863 1	13.007 1
5	32.004 56	34.416 53	35.350 17	35.747 84	31.127 20	34.050 41	35.188 29	35.667 36
	30.129 96	33.874 20	35.125 9	35.639 6	30.803 71	33.910 96	35.123 8	35.630 1
6	73.377 05	79.397 78	81.716 86	82.702 81	71.663 73	78.684 54	81.401 53	82.546 04
	69.785 34	78.377 18	81.297 0	82.500	69.398 27	77.926 40	81.071 2	82.369
7	147.695 73	160.365 42	165.229 69	167.295 20	144.735 34	159.135 01	164.685 78	167.024 78
	141.590 25	158.653 3	164.528	166.957	138.178 99	157.042 1	163.785 5	166.552
8	269.214 65	292.934 00	302.019 53	305.874 18	264.513 88	290.982 49	301.156 93	305.445 29
	258.652 14	290.279 5	300.934	305.351	250.078 70	286.468 0	299.226	304.439
9	454.750 43	495.532 94	511.127 46	517.739 38	447.733 72	492.622 49	509.841 07	517.099 75
	440.641 1	491.647 3	509.542	516.975	420.342 78	484.155 0	506.681	515.227
10	723.682 17	789.406 48	814.504 73	825.140 80	713.691 76	785.265 35	812.674 48	824.230 74
	703.789 9	783.963 5	812.287	824.071	666.529 15	770.794 5	806.517	821.045

^aFor each entry, the first line is the result obtained in the present paper. The second line is from Accad *et al.*, Ref. 4.

TABLE IX. Transition energies in cm^{-1} for the N^1S states.^a

Z	2^1S	3^1S	4^1S	5^1S	6^1S	7^1S	8^1S	9^1S
2	166 281.0	184 882.4	191 002.5	193 642.1	195 142.2	195 970.3	196 471.8	196 822.0
	166 277.6 ^b	184 864.9 ^b	190 940.3 ^b	193 663.6 ^b	195 115.0 ^b	195 979.0 ^b	196 534.9 ^b	196 913.0 ^b
3	491 376	558 783	581 619	591 993	597 595	600 926	603 070	604 538
	(490 079) ^c	558 779 ^c	581 590 ^c	591 984 ^c	597 574 ^c	600 925 ^c		
4	981 198	1 127 721	1 177 952	1 200 950	1 213 367	1 220 808	1 225 618	1 228 912
	981 177 ^d	1 127 705 ^d	1 177 945 ^e					
5	1 635 745	1 891 817	1 980 125	2 020 679	2 042 603	2 055 769	2 064 290	2 070 127
	1 635 714 ^f	1 891 784 ^f						
6	2 455 078	2 851 192	2 988 265	3 051 318	3 085 436	3 105 946	3 119 225	3 128 324
	2 455 024 ^g	(2 851 180) ^g						
7	3 439 311	4 006 010	4 202 542	4 293 043	4 342 043	4 371 516	4 390 602	4 403 685
8	4 588 562	5 356 432	5 623 131	5 746 032	5 812 603	5 852 660	5 878 604	5 896 391
	4 587 340 ^h	5 356 420 ^h						
9	5 902 992	6 902 671	7 250 256	7 410 516	7 497 351	7 549 614	7 583 466	7 606 679
		6 903 580 ⁱ						
10	7 382 751	8 644 927	9 084 132	9 286 713	9 396 507	9 462 600	9 505 410	9 534 772

TABLE IX. (Continued.)

Z	2 ¹ S	3 ¹ S	4 ¹ S	5 ¹ S	6 ¹ S	7 ¹ S	8 ¹ S	9 ¹ S
11	9028074 (9027981) ^j	10583499 (10583431) ^j	11125077 (11124986) ^j	11374953 (11374868) ^j	11510402 (11510320) ^j	11591951 (11591874) ^j	11644772 (11644747) ^j	11681006 (11680966) ^j
12	10839156 (10839030) ^k	12718647 (12718550) ^k	13373369 (13373240) ^k	13675516 (13675400) ^k	13839323	13937954	14001839	14045668
13	12816278 (12816130) ^l	15050727 (15050610) ^l	15829389 (15829230) ^l	16188796 (16188660) ^l	16383666	16501008	16577011	16629161
14	14959688	17580065	18493483	18915145	19143788	19281474	19370649	19431846
15	17269724	20307090	21366110	21855035	22120165	22279830	22383233	22454203
16	19746675	23232183	24447676	25008882	25313218	25496498	25615186	25696658
17	22390939	26355848	27738719	28377236	28723505	28932041	29067073	29159775
18	25202881	29678559	31239743	31960615	32351548	32586982	32739419	32844081
19	28182847	33200766	34951232	35759513	36197846	36461825	36632728	36750081
20	31331335 (31330780) ^m	36923102 (36922600) ^m	38873859 (38873200) ^m	39774620	40263099	40557272	40747706	40878483
21	34648828	40846186	43008282	44006611	44547987	44874009	45085039	45229974
22	38135748 (38135000) ⁿ	44970567 (44969900) ⁿ	47355089 (47354200) ⁿ	48456087	49053119	49412647	49645341	49805169
23	41792626 (41791780) ^o	49296925 (49296140) ^o	51915005 (51913970) ^o	53123791	53779246	54173943	54429370	54604829
24	45619980	53825926	56688740	58010451	58727104	59158635	59437868	59629696
25	49618409 (49617300) ^p	58558336 (58557300) ^p	61677109 (61675800) ^p	63116902	63897536	64367573	64671686	64880624
26	53788464	63494866	66880873	68443921	69291331	69801549	70131618	70358409

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TABLE X. Transition energies in cm^{-1} for the N^3S states.^a

Z	2^3S	3^3S	4^3S	5^3S	6^3S	7^3S	8^3S	9^3S
2	159 855.8 159 856.1 ^b	183 236.5 183 236.9 ^b	190 295.3 190 298.2 ^b	193 347.0 193 347.1 ^b	194 935.5 194 936.2 ^b	195 866.4 195 868.4 ^b	196 379.2 196.461.4 ^b	196 786.7 196 862.0 ^b
3	476 034 476 046 ^c	554 754 554 761 ^c	579 981 579 982 ^c	591 185 591 184 ^c	597 122 597 122 ^c	600 644 600 641 ^c	602 873	604 414
4	956 518 956 502 ^d	1 121 200 1 121 184 ^d	1 175 313 1 175 295 ^d	1 199 629 1 199 659 ^e	1 212 608	1 220 343	1 225 304	1 228 700
5	1 601 566 1 601 540 ^f	1 882 772 1 882 746 ^f	1 976 465 1 976 436 ^f	2 018 844	2 041 552	2 055 119	2 063 855	2 069 827
6	2 411 309 2 411 262 ^g	2 839 608 2 839 562 ^g	2 983 576 (2 983 541) ^g	3 048 965 (3 048 927) ^g	3 084 089 (3 084 048) ^g	3 105 109 (3 105 066) ^g	3 118 668 (3 118 635) ^g	3 127 938
7	3 385 882 3 385 890 ^h	3 991 872	4 196 818	4 290 170	4 340 398	4 370 492	4 389 922	4 403 211
8	4 525 412 4 524 640 ⁱ	5 339 729 5 338 820 ⁱ	5 616 366 5 616 100 ⁱ	5 742 636	5 810 660	5 851 449	5 877 800	5 895 830
9	5 830 061 5 830 600 ^j	6 883 388 6 883 220 ^k	7 242 446 7 242 400 ^k	7 406 594	7 495 107	7 548 214	7 582 539	7 606 031
10	7 299 976 7 300 900 ^l	8 623 048	9 075 269	9 282 263	9 393 959	9 461 009	9 504 360	9 534 037
11	8 935 388 (8 935 337) ^m	10 559 009 (10 558 946) ^m	11 115 156 (11 115 065) ^m	11 369 970 (11 369 887) ^m	11 507 550 (11 507 469) ^m	11 590 169 (11 590 091) ^m	11 643 598 (11 643 558) ^m	11 680 184 (11 680 134) ^m
12	10 736 488 10 730 000 ^l	12 691 526 (12 691 440) ⁿ	13 362 381 (13 362 260) ⁿ	13 669 997 (13 669 880) ⁿ	13 836 164	13 935 980	14 000 541	14 044 760
13	12 703 551 (12 703 460) ^o	15 020 957 (15 020 850) ^o	15 817 327 (15 817 170) ^o	16 182 737 (16 182 600) ^o	16 380 198	16 498 841	16 575 589	16 628 167
14	14 836 821 14 840 000 ^p	17 547 624	18 480 338	18 908 542	19 140 009	19 279 111	19 369 104	19 430 764
15	17 136 627	20 271 954	21 351 873	21 847 884	22 116 072	22 277 270	22 381 564	22 453 035
16	19 603 255 19 210 000 ^p	23 194 327	24 432 336	25 001 176	25 308 808	25 493 740	25 613 394	25 695 403
17	22 237 095	26 315 246	27 722 266	28 368 971	28 718 776	28 929 082	29 065 157	29 158 433
18	25 038 507 25 030 000 ^p	29 635 182	31 222 166	31 951 785	32 346 495	32 583 820	32 737 379	32 842 652
19	28 007 830	33 154 584	34 932 518	35 750 112	36 192 467	36 458 459	36 630 564	36 748 566
20	31 145 557 31 180 000 ^p	36 874 084 (36 873 600) ^q	38 853 995 (38 853 340) ^q	39 764 642	40 257 390	40 553 699	40 745 418	40 876 880
21	34 452 161	40 794 297	42 987 255	43 996 048	44 541 944	44 870 227	45 082 627	45 228 285

TABLE X. (Continued.)

Z	2 ³ S	3 ³ S	4 ³ S	5 ³ S	6 ³ S	7 ³ S	8 ³ S	9 ³ S
22	37 928 062 (37 927 500) ^f	44 915 772 (44 915 100) ^f	47 332 885 (47 332 000) ^f	48 444 933	49 046 739	49 408 654	49 642 806	49 803 394
23	41 573 783 (41 573 150) ^g	49 239 187 (49 238 420) ^g	51 891 609 (51 890 590) ^g	53 112 039	53 772 525	54 169 735	54 426 711	54 602 967
24	45 389 835	53 765 207	56 664 136	57 998 093	58 720 037	59 154 210	59 435 086	59 627 748
25	49 376 810 (49 376 000) ^l	58 494 594 (58 493 600) ^l	61 651 281 (61 650 000) ^l	63 103 929	63 890 119	64 362 928	64 668 780	64 878 589
26	53 535 254 53 604 000 ^p	63 428 060	66 853 804	68 430 325	69 283 558	69 796 681	70 128 588	70 356 286

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TABLE XI. Transition energies in cm⁻¹ for the N¹P states.^a

Z	2 ¹ P	3 ¹ P	4 ¹ P	5 ¹ P	6 ¹ P	7 ¹ P	8 ¹ P	9 ¹ P
2	171 134.4 171 135.0 ^b	186 233.5 186 209.5 ^b	191 423.4 191 492.8 ^b	194 093.4 193 942.6 ^b	195 344.8 195 275.0 ^b	196 099.9 196 079.2 ^b	196 469.5 196 601.5 ^b	196 835.0 196 959.8 ^b
3	501 807 501 810 ^c	561 759 561 730 ^c	582 813 582 820 ^c	592 695 592 660 ^c	597 979 597 940 ^c	601 167 601 180 ^c	603 188 603 281 ^c	604 625 604 704 ^c
4	997 474 997 466 ^e	1 132 411 1 132 390 ^d	1 179 890 1 179 830 ^d	1 201 986 1 201 894 ^d	1 213 954 1 213 931 ^d	1 221 176 1 221 135 ^d	1 225 840	1 229 069
5	1 658 012 1 657 975 ^f	1 898 259 1 898 230 ^f	1 982 807 1 982 761 ^f	2 022 076 2 022 044 ^f	2 043 401 2 043 360 ^f	2 056 270	2 064 610	2 070 352
6	2 483 443 2 483 371 ^g	2 859 416 2 859 375 ^g	2 991 698 2 991 710 ^g	3 053 088 3 053 044 ^g	3 086 452 3 086 439 ^g	3 106 584 (3 106 541) ^g	3 119 643 (3 119 619) ^g	3 128 618

TABLE XI. (Continued.)

Z	2 ¹ P	3 ¹ P	4 ¹ P	5 ¹ P	6 ¹ P	7 ¹ P	8 ¹ P	9 ¹ P
7	3 473 877 3 473 790 ^h	4 016 042 4 016 390 ^h	4 206 735 4 206 810 ^h	4 295 195 4 296 100 ⁱ	4 343 280 4 343 300 ⁱ	4 372 293 4 372 500 ⁱ	4 391 118 4 392 700 ⁱ	4 404 047
8	4 629 450 4 629 200 ^j	5 368 306 5 368 550 ^j	5 628 097 5 628 100 ^j	5 748 574 5 748 450 ^j	5 814 067 5 813 950 ^j	5 853 580 5 852 740 ^j	5 879 220	5 896 823
9	5 950 352 5 950 900 ^k	6 916 431 6 915 600 ^k	7 256 013 7 255 800 ⁱ	7 413 459 7 411 800 ^j	7 499 047 7 498 500 ⁱ	7 550 680 7 546 000 ⁱ	7 584 184 7 587 200 ⁱ	7 607 183
10	7 436 768 7 437 700 ^l	8 660 626 8 660 300 ^l	9 090 701 9 071 900 ^l	9 290 070 9 313 600 ^l	9 398 441	9 463 815	9 506 233	9 535 350
11	9 088 979 9 087 600 ^m	10 601 207 10 610 000 ^m	11 132 489 (11 132 393) ⁿ	11 378 737 (11 378 646) ⁿ	11 512 584 (11 512 505) ⁿ	11 593 322 (11 593 248) ⁿ	11 645 705 (11 645 667) ⁿ	11 681 661 (11 681 612) ⁿ
12	10 907 233 10 907 000 ^m	12 738 446 12 738 000 ^m	13 381 658 13 381 000 ^m	13 679 748 13 681 000 ^m	13 841 763 13 840 000 ^m	13 939 488 (13 939 380) ^o	14 002 886 (14 003 830) ^o	14 046 404 (14 046 330) ^o
13	12 891 870 12 891 900 ^m	15 072 721 15 072 700 ^m	15 838 598 15 838 600 ^m	16 193 496 16 196 000 ^m	16 386 377 16 392 000 ^m	16 502 713 16 504 000 ^m	16 578 180 16 585 000 ^m	16 629 982 16 640 000 ^m
14	15 043 201 15 040 000 ^m	17 604 374 17 603 000 ^m	18 503 663 18 503 000 ^m	18 920 341 18 921 000 ^m	19 146 785	19 283 359	19 371 947	19 432 757
15	17 361 637 17 364 000 ^m	20 333 858 20 333 000 ^m	21 377 321 21 370 000 ^m	21 860 757 21 856 000 ^m	22 123 466 22 120 000 ^m	22 281 906 22 300 000 ^m	22 384 668	22 455 211
16	19 847 545 19 852 000 ^m	23 261 575 23 258 000 ^m	24 459 988 24 456 000 ^m	25 015 165 25 010 000 ^m	25 316 844 25 320 000 ^m	25 498 778	25 616 769	25 697 770
17	22 501 407 22 503 000 ^m	26 388 056 26 399 000 ^m	27 752 214	28 384 123	28 727 480	28 934 540	29 068 815	29 160 998
18	25 323 677 25 320 000 ^p	29 713 799 29 860 000 ^p	31 254 512	31 968 152	32 355 898	32 589 718	32 741 333	32 845 425
19	28 314 796 28 321 000 ^m	33 239 286	34 967 379	35 767 753	36 202 603	36 464 816	36 634 828	36 751 556
20	31 475 368 31 480 000 ^m	36 965 179 36 990 000 ^p	38 891 500 38 880 000 ^p	39 783 623	40 268 297	40 560 541	40 750 009	40 880 100
21	34 805 980 34 823 000 ^m	40 892 127	43 027 548	44 016 444	44 553 664	44 877 580	45 087 562	45 231 746
22	38 307 172 38 313 000 ^m	45 020 716 (45 021 900) ^q	47 376 125 (47 376 200) ^q	48 466 824	49 059 319	49 416 547	49 648 105	49 807 111
23	41 979 595 41 976 000 ^m	49 351 661 (49 353 420) ^r	51 937 971 (51 938 260) ^r	53 135 514	53 786 016	54 178 201	54 432 397	54 606 955
24	45 823 893 45 890 000 ^s	53 885 665	56 713 811	58 023 250	58 734 496	59 163 285	59 441 182	59 632 024

TABLE XI. (Continued.)

Z	2 ¹ P	3 ¹ P	4 ¹ P	5 ¹ P	6 ¹ P	7 ¹ P	8 ¹ P	9 ¹ P
25	49 840 798 (49 853 100) ^f	58 623 534 (58 627 100) ^f	61 704 478 (61 705 400) ^f	63 130 875	63 905 607	64 372 651	64 675 313	64 883 171
26	54 031 001 54 039 000 ^p	63 566 021 63 810 000 ^p	66 910 750 66 260 000 ^p	68 459 176	69 300 142	69 807 092	70 135 587	70 361 195

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TABLE XII. Transition energies in cm⁻¹ for the N³P states.^a

Z	2 ³ P	3 ³ P	4 ³ P	5 ³ P	6 ³ P	7 ³ P	8 ³ P	9 ³ P
2	169 088.6 169 087.0 ^b	185 564.0 185 564.7 ^b	191 222.4 191 217.1 ^b	193 787.2 193 800.8 ^b	195 180.0 195 192.9 ^b	196 039.1 196 027.4 ^b	196 557.2 196 566.8 ^b	196 843.5 196 935.4 ^b
3	494 264 494 273 ^c	559 502 559 501 ^c	581 889 581 897 ^c	592 134 592 141 ^c	597 663 597 666 ^c	600 992	603 128	604 559
4	983 380 983 365 ^d	1 128 316 1 128 300 ^d	1 178 193 1 178 174 ^d	1 201 072 1 201 066 ^e	1 213 433	1 220 864	1 225 663	1 228 931
5	1 636 965 1 636 948 ^f	1 892 250 1 892 230 ^f	1 980 318 1 980 295 ^f	2 020 780 2 020 746 ^f	2 042 659	2 055 815	2 064 327	2 070 144
6	2 455 248 2 455 225 ^g	2 851 459 2 851 418 ^g	2 988 408 2 988 359 ^g	3 051 398 3 051 332 ^g	3 085 482 (3 085 435) ^g	3 105 984 (3 105 933) ^g	3 119 257 (3 119 212) ^g	3 128 340
7	3 438 424 3 437 960 ^h	4 006 119 4 006 160 ^h	4 202 641 4 202 620 ^h	4 293 104 4 293 080 ^h	4 342 081 4 342 360 ⁱ	4 371 547	4 390 631	4 403 700
8	4 586 668 4 585 980 ^j	5 356 406 5 355 670 ^j	5 623 194 5 622 600 ^j	5 746 080 5 745 440 ^j	5 812 635 5 811 730 ^j	5 852 687 5 851 890 ^j	5 878 632 (5 877 800) ^j	5 896 407 (5 894 500) ^j
9	5 900 191 5 901 100 ^j	6 902 545 6 903 100 ^j	7 250 300 7 250 900 ^j	7 410 559 7 410 800 ^j	7 497 382 7 489 000 ^k	7 549 640	7 583 497	7 606 698

TABLE XII. (Continued.)

Z	2^3P	3^3P	4^3P	5^3P	6^3P	7^3P	8^3P	9^3P
10	7 379 191 7 379 000 ^l	8 644 748	9 084 175	9 286 762	9 396 542	9 462 628	9 505 448	9 534 796
11	9 023 957 9 018 800 ^m	10 583 331 (10 583 324) ⁿ	11 125 148 (11 125 103) ⁿ	11 375 020 (11 374 960) ⁿ	11 510 450 (11 510 387) ⁿ	11 591 987 (11 591 920) ⁿ	11 644 820 (11 644 781) ⁿ	11 681 038 (11 680 991) ⁿ
12	10 834 741 10 836 000 ^m	12 718 567 (12 718 550) ^o	13 373 499 (13 373 430) ^o	13 675 619 (13 675 540) ^o	13 839 393	13 938 005	14 001 904	14 045 712
13	12 811 885 12 810 000 ^m	15 050 832 (15 050 810) ^p	15 829 620 (15 829 540) ^p	16 188 955 (16 188 850) ^p	16 383 770	16 501 081	16 577 099	16 629 222
14	14 955 703 14 954 000 ^m	17 580 470	18 493 863	18 915 387	19 143 941	19 281 578	19 370 767	19 431 928
15	17 266 605 17 265 000 ^m	20 307 933	21 366 697	21 855 388	22 120 384	22 279 976	22 383 390	22 454 313
16	19 744 960 19 744 000 ^m	23 233 623	24 448 537	25 009 380	25 313 523	25 496 699	25 615 393	25 696 803
17	22 391 248 22 387 000 ^m	26 358 070	27 739 933	28 377 920	28 723 919	28 932 310	29 067 341	29 159 963
18	25 205 926 25 195 000 ^q	29 681 773	31 241 398	31 961 530	32 352 097	32 587 337	32 739 761	32 844 321
19	28 189 434 28 182 000 ^m	33 205 211	34 953 429	35 760 711	36 198 560	36 462 284	36 633 158	36 750 383
20	31 342 374 31 322 000 ^m	36 929 049 (36 928 570) ^r	38 876 712 (38 876 210) ^r	39 776 159	40 264 012	40 557 857	40 748 240	40 878 859
21	34 665 334 34 664 000 ^m	40 853 935	43 011 917	44 008 556	44 549 136	44 874 743	45 085 696	45 230 436
22	38 158 851 38 126 000 ^m	44 980 453 (44 979 590) ^s	47 359 648 (47 358 890) ^s	48 458 510	49 054 547	49 413 558	49 646 141	49 805 732
23	41 823 578 41 773 000 ^m	49 309 318 (49 308 150) ^t	51 920 644 (51 919 670) ^t	53 126 772	53 780 998	54 175 058	54 430 335	54 605 508
24	45 660 157 45 540 000 ^u	53 841 235	56 695 631	58 014 079	58 729 232	59 159 988	59 439 022	59 630 508
25	49 669 320 (49 666 400) ^v	58 577 006 (58 575 000) ^v	61 685 440 (61 683 900) ^v	63 121 272	63 900 095	64 369 198	64 673 055	64 881 587
26	53 851 756 53 894 000 ^q	63 517 386	66 890 850	68 449 140	69 294 382	69 803 484	70 133 231	70 359 542

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Z	3 ¹ D	4 ¹ D	5 ¹ D	6 ¹ D	7 ¹ D	8 ¹ D	9 ¹ D
2	186075.9 186105.1 ^b	191470.0 191446.6 ^b	193877.5 193918.4 ^b	195279.7 195260.9 ^b	196027.2 196070.2 ^b	196497.5 196595.5 ^b	196858.3 196955.5 ^b
3	561260 561276 ^c	582642 582631 ^c	592508 592508 ^c	597903 597877 ^c	601114 601115 ^c	603179	604620
4	1131474 1131462 ^d	1179523 1179495 ^e	1201747 1201743 ^e	1213837	1221104	1225803	1229044
5	1896869 1896829 ^f	1982255 1982223 ^f	2021765	2043239	2056173	2064550	2070311
6	2857577 2857529 ^g	2990969 2990923 ^g	3052702 (3052656) ^g	3086244 (3086189) ^g	3106458 (3106407) ^g	3119562 (3119630) ^g	3128562
7	4013770 4013770 ^h	4205840 4205830 ^h	4294734 4294670 ^h	4343028	4372141	4391020	4403978
8	5365626 5365470 ⁱ	5627048 5626670 ⁱ	5748043 5748230 ⁱ	5813774 5813680 ⁱ	5853402	5879105	5896743
9	6913377 6913510 ^h	7254826 7254600 ^h	7412865 7412600 ^h	7498717 7498700 ^h	7550480 7548400 ^h	7584057 7584900 ^h	7607094
10	8657243	9089396	9289421	9398081	9463596	9506096	9535254
11	10597549 (10597475) ^j	11131088 (11131017) ^j	11378046 (11377984) ^j	11512200 (11512137) ^j	11593088	11645562	11681561
12	12734584 (12734480) ^k	13380191 (13380090) ^k	13679029 (13678940) ^k	13841364	13939245	14002743	14046303
13	15068736	15837101	16192767	16385973	16502467	16578040	16629885
14	17600365	18502177	18919623	19146389	19283118	19371818	19432667

TABLE XIII. (Continued.)

Z	3 ¹ D	4 ¹ D	5 ¹ D	6 ¹ D	7 ¹ D	8 ¹ D	9 ¹ D
15	20329940	21375896	21860076	22123093	22281680	22384557	22455133
16	23257882	24458680	25014549	25316509	25498577	25616684	25697710
17	26384742	27751087	28383606	28727203	28934376	29068765	29160963
18	29711039	31253642	31967771	32355702	32589604	32741329	32845423
19	33237277	34966847	35767551	36202512	36464770	36634882	36751595
20	36964143	38891402	39783649	40268338	40560579	40750134	40880189
21	40892312	43027987	44016750	44553870	44877721	45087773	45231895
22	45022395	47377217	48467470	49059722	49416813	49648418	49807332
23	49355137	51939842	53136565	53786655	54178616	54432829	54607260
24	53891270	56716603	58024778	58735413	59163875	59441753	59632426
25	58631629	61708344	63132958	63906846	64373444	64676044	64883686
26	63577002	66915855	68461900	69301754	69808121	70136501	70361839

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TABLE XIV. Transition energies in cm⁻¹ for the N³D states.^a

Z	3 ³ D	4 ³ D	5 ³ D	6 ³ D	7 ³ D	8 ³ D	9 ³ D
2	186099.4 186101.7 ^b	191433.5 191444.6 ^b	193906.5 193917.2 ^b	195259.6 195260.2 ^b	196052.3 196069.7 ^b	196495.6 196595.2 ^b	196857.5 196955.3 ^b
3	561244 561245 ^c	582612 582612 ^c	592503 592505 ^c	597878 597876 ^c	601116 601115 ^c	603178	604620
4	1131400 1131383 ^d	1179471 1179451 ^e	1201721 1201702 ^d	1213807 1213791 ^e	1221094	1225798	1229041
5	1896723 1896685 ^f	1982167 1982141 ^f	2021717 2021696 ^f	2043199	2056152	2064540	2070303
6	2857350 2857310 ^g	2990839 2990776 ^g	3052629 3052589 ^g	3086191 (3086138) ^g	3106427 (3106374) ^g	3119545 (3119507) ^g	3128549
7	4013456 4013460 ^h	4205665 4205820 ^h	4294635 4294570 ^h	4342961 4343120 ⁱ	4372099	4390995	4403960

TABLE XIV. (Continued.)

Z	3 ³ D	4 ³ D	5 ³ D	6 ³ D	7 ³ D	8 ³ D	9 ³ D
8	5 365 221 5 364 420 ^j	5 626 824 5 626 280 ^j	5 747 917 5 747 420 ^j	5 813 692 5 813 070 ^j	5 853 350 5 853 660 ^j	5 879 074 5 878 400 ^j	5 896 720 5 892 950 ^j
9	6 912 878 6 912 500 ⁱ	7 254 551 7 254 100 ⁱ	7 412 710 7 412 100 ⁱ	7 498 619 7 498 100 ⁱ	7 550 416 7 549 800 ⁱ	7 584 017 7 583 300 ⁱ	7 607 065 7 607 100 ⁱ
10	8 656 647	9 089 069	9 289 237	9 397 966	9 463 522	9 506 049	9 535 220
11	10 596 855 (10 596 783) ^k	11 130 709 (11 130 639) ^k	11 377 833 (11 377 767) ^k	11 512 068 (11 512 003) ^k	11 593 002	11 645 507	11 681 521
12	12 733 789 (12 733 690) ^l	13 379 759 (13 379 660) ^l	13 678 786 (13 678 690) ^l	13 841 214	13 939 147	14 002 679	14 046 258
13	15 067 841	15 836 614	16 192 494	16 385 805	16 502 358	16 577 969	16 629 833
14	17 599 368	18 501 636	18 919 320	19 146 203	19 282 997	19 371 738	19 432 610
15	20 328 841	21 375 300	21 859 741	22 122 888	22 281 547	22 384 469	22 455 070
16	23 256 680	24 458 029	25 014 184	25 316 286	25 498 432	25 616 588	25 697 641
17	26 383 437	27 750 381	28 383 210	28 726 962	28 934 219	29 068 660	29 160 889
18	29 709 631	31 252 879	31 967 344	32 355 442	32 589 436	32 741 216	32 845 342
19	33 235 765	34 966 029	35 767 093	36 202 233	36 464 589	36 634 769	36 751 514
20	36 962 527	38 890 528	39 783 159	40 268 041	40 560 385	40 750 012	40 880 102
21	40 890 592	43 027 057	44 016 229	44 553 553	44 877 515	45 087 643	45 231 802
22	45 020 571	47 376 231	48 466 918	49 059 387	49 416 596	49 648 280	49 807 233
23	49 353 209	51 938 800	53 135 982	53 786 301	54 178 387	54 432 682	54 607 155
24	53 889 237	56 715 505	58 024 163	58 735 039	59 163 634	59 441 598	59 632 316
25	58 629 493	61 707 190	63 132 311	63 906 454	64 373 190	64 675 880	64 883 570
26	63 574 761	66 914 645	68 461 222	69 301 343	69 807 855	70 136 328	70 361 716

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TABLE XV. A comparison of some observed and calculated transitions (in cm^{-1}).^a

Transition	$Z=4^b$	$Z=5^c$	$Z=6^d$
2^1S-2^1P	16 275.9	22 267	28 365
	16 276.8 \pm 0.1	22 261 \pm 1	28 347 \pm 4
2^3S-2^3P		35 399	43 940
		35 408 \pm 0.5	43 963 \pm 1
4^3P-5^3D	23 527.9	41 399	
	23 527.6 \pm 0.6	41 408 \pm 2	
4^3S-5^3P		44 315	
		44 307 \pm 2	
3^3D-4^3P		83 595	
		83 608 \pm 7	
3^3P-4^3S	46 996.4	84 215	
	46 995.4 \pm 0.9	84 196 \pm 7	
3^1P-4^1D	47 112.6	83 996	
	47 104.5 \pm 0.9	83 993 \pm 7	
3^3P-4^3D	51 154.0	89 917	
	51 151.7 \pm 0.8	89 912 \pm 8	
3^3S-4^3P	56 992.2	97 546	
	56 990.1 \pm 1.0	97 551 \pm 9	
2^1P-3^1S	130 247	233 805	
	130 251 \pm 5	233 808 \pm 27	
2^1P-3^1D	134 000.5	238 857	374 134
	134 007.3 \pm 1.4	238 857 \pm 1	374 158 \pm 7
2^3P-3^3S	137 820.5	245 807	
	137 819.6 \pm 2	245 797 \pm 30	
2^3P-3^3D	148 020.3	259 758	
	148 018.1 \pm 2	259 740 \pm 13	
2^1S-3^1P	151 212.4	262 514	404 338
	151 212.3 \pm 2	262 508 \pm 42	404 351 \pm 33
2^3S-3^3P	171 798.5	290 684	440 150
	171 798.3 \pm 3	290 689 \pm 17	440 156 \pm 10
2^1P-4^1D	182 049	324 243	507 526
	182 047 \pm 10	324 243 \pm 52	507 552 \pm 18
2^3P-4^3D	196 091	345 202	
	196 082 \pm 8	345 256 \pm 58	
2^3S-4^3P		378 752	577 100
		378 759 \pm 70	577 097 \pm 17

TABLE XV. (Continued.)

Transition	$Z=4^b$	$Z=5^c$	$Z=6^d$
2^3P-5^3D			597 381 597 364 ± 35
2^3S-5^3P			640 089 640 070 ± 41

^aFor each entry, the upper line is the result obtained in the present paper. The lower line is the experimental result.

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tivistic correction. The simple one-electron screening approximation presented in Eq. (14) appears to be sufficient to assure that the error in the overall transition energy is essentially of the order of the error in the relativistic correction, or less.

D. Transition energies

The transition energies relative to the ground 1^1S state are presented in Tables IX–XIV. For $Z=2$ the accuracy of the present values is determined almost entirely by the convergence of the expansion for the nonrelativistic energy. This rapidly improves with increasing Z so that, as indicated above, for $Z \gtrsim 4$ the accuracy of the tabulated values is determined by the accuracy of the relativistic correction. For increasing N (degree of excitation) the calculated nonrelativistic energies become less reliable because of the lack of accurate, higher-order ϵ_n , while the relativistic, Lamb shift, and mass-polarization corrections increase in accuracy as the contribution of the “excited electron” becomes less reliable because of the lack of accurate, higher-order ϵ_n , while the relativistic, Lamb shift, and mass-polarization corrections increase in accuracy as the contribution of the “excited electron” becomes less significant and these corrections become simply the corresponding corrections to the ground-state ionization energy. Therefore, for $Z \gtrsim 4$, the least reliable results are the $2S$, $2P$, and $3D$ results. That this is not reflected in the comparisons presented in the tables, where any particular row displays a generally constant difference, suggests that the present results are more accurate than the experimental

data. In any case the agreement throughout the tables with both experimental and theoretical values is fairly uniform—five significant figures, occasionally four or six figures. However, since the energies in Tables IX through XIV are all relative to the 1^1S ground state, the error in the quoted experimental values is in large part due to the difficulty in establishing an accurate value for the energy of the ground state. Thus a more meaningful comparison would make use of the transitions actually observed. Such a comparison is presented in Table XV for $Z=4, 5$, and 6 . Whereas differences for those ions in Tables IX through XIV are generally in the range of $20-40 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, differences in Table XV are generally less than 10 cm^{-1} for $Z=4, 5$, less than 20 cm^{-1} for $Z=6$, and generally in reasonable agreement with the experimental error limits. Particularly striking is the agreement with the data of Löfstrand²⁰ for $Z=4$, where the observed wavelengths are given to greater accuracy.

V. CONCLUSIONS

The results of the present study are based on a uniform set of expansion coefficients for the nonrelativistic energy of two-electron ions. Many of these are presented here for the first time. Relativistic and Lamb-shift corrections for these two-electron ions are computed in a particularly simple manner, and are found to yield reliable results. The accuracy to be expected for the transition energies tabulated here has a predictable behavior with respect to Z and N , and the entire set of S , P , and D state results form a consistent set of data.

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