

Iterative process - time indep.  
perturbation theory

(Rayleigh-Schrödinger pert. th.)

$$(H_0 + \lambda V) |n\rangle_\lambda = E_n^{(\lambda)} |n\rangle_\lambda$$
$$= (E_n^{(0)} + \lambda \Delta E_n^{(\lambda)}) |n\rangle_\lambda$$

$$\therefore (H_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |n\rangle_\lambda = \lambda (\Delta E_n^{(\lambda)} - V) |n\rangle_\lambda$$

$$\langle n^{(0)} | \times \quad 0 = \lambda \Delta E_n^{(\lambda)} \langle n^{(0)} | n \rangle_\lambda$$
$$- \lambda \langle n^{(0)} | V | n \rangle_\lambda$$



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Now let  $\Delta E_n^{(\lambda)} = E_n^{(1)} + \lambda E_n^{(2)} \dots$

$$|n\rangle_\lambda = |n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |n^{(1)}\rangle + \lambda^2 |n^{(2)}\rangle + \dots$$

Then the original eqn. is

$$\begin{aligned} (H_0 + \lambda V) (|n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |n^{(1)}\rangle + \dots) \\ = (E_n^{(0)} + \lambda E_n^{(1)} + \lambda^2 E_n^{(2)} + \dots) (|n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |n^{(1)}\rangle + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

(1)  $(H_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |n^{(1)}\rangle = (E_n^{(1)} - V) |n^{(0)}\rangle$

$\langle n^{(0)} | \times E_n^{(1)} = \langle n^{(0)} | V | n^{(0)} \rangle$

(2)  $H_0 |n^{(2)}\rangle + V |n^{(1)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |n^{(2)}\rangle + E_n^{(1)} |n^{(1)}\rangle + E_n^{(2)} |n^{(0)}\rangle$



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$$(H_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |n^{(2)}\rangle = E_n^{(2)} |n^{(0)}\rangle + (E_n^{(1)} - V) |n^{(1)}\rangle$$



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$$\langle n^{(0)} | \times \quad 0 = E_n^{(2)} + (E_n^{(1)} - V) \langle n^{(0)} | n^{(1)} \rangle - \langle n^{(0)} | V | n^{(1)} \rangle$$

Now recall as per Fredholm Thm. we

have chosen  $\langle n^{(0)} | n^{(j)} \rangle = 0$  for  $j > 0$

$$E_n^{(2)} = \langle n^{(0)} | V | n^{(1)} \rangle$$

We can that at order  $p$ , the terms  $\lambda^p$

$$H_0 |n^{(p)}\rangle + V |n^{(p-1)}\rangle = E_n^{(0)} |n^{(p)}\rangle$$

$$\dots \dots E_n^{(j)} |n^{(p-j)}\rangle \dots$$

$$+ E_n^{(p)} |n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow (H_0 - E_n^{(0)}) |n^{(p)}\rangle = (E_n^{(1)} - V) |n^{(p-1)}\rangle$$

$$+ \sum_{j=2} E_n^{(j)} |n^{(p-j)}\rangle$$

$$\langle n^{(0)} | \times \quad 0 = - \langle n^{(0)} | V |n^{(p-1)}\rangle + E_n^{(p)}$$

$$E_n^{(p)} = \langle n^{(0)} | V |n^{(p-1)}\rangle$$



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Thus we need  $|n\rangle_\lambda$  correct to order  $p+1$  to be able to calculate  $E_n$  correct to order  $p$ .

Return to  $\lambda^1$  equation:

$$|n^{(1)}\rangle = \left[ \frac{1 - |n^{(0)}\rangle\langle n^{(0)}|}{H_0 - E_n^{(0)}} \right] (E_n^{(1)} - V) |n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$\left[ \text{Now } (1 - |n^{(0)}\rangle\langle n^{(0)}|) (|n^{(0)}\rangle) \right]$$

$$= \left( \sum_k |k^{(0)}\rangle\langle k^{(0)}| - |n^{(0)}\rangle\langle n^{(0)}| \right) |n^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$= \sum_k \delta_{kn} |k^{(0)}\rangle - |n^{(0)}\rangle = 0$$



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$$|n^{(1)}\rangle = - \left[ \frac{1 - |n^{(0)}\rangle\langle n^{(0)}|}{H_0 - E_n^{(0)}} \right] \underbrace{\sum_k |k^{(0)}\rangle\langle k^{(0)}| V |n^{(0)}\rangle}_{k}$$

$$= \sum_{k \neq n} \frac{\langle k^{(0)} | V | n^{(0)} \rangle}{E_n^{(0)} - E_k^{(0)}} |k^{(0)}\rangle$$

$$\therefore |n^{(1)}\rangle = \sum'_k \frac{V_{kn}}{E_n^{(0)} - E_k^{(0)}} |k^{(0)}\rangle$$

Next, go to the equation

$$E_n^{(2)} = \langle n^{(0)} | V | n^{(1)} \rangle$$

$$\therefore E_n^{(2)} = \langle n^{(0)} | V \sum'_k \frac{V_{kn}}{E_n^{(0)} - E_k^{(0)}} |k^{(0)}\rangle = \sum'_k \frac{V_{nk} V_{kn}}{E_n^{(0)} - E_k^{(0)}}$$



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Thus

$$E_n^{(2)} = \sum_k' \frac{|V_{nk}|^2}{E_n^{(0)} - E_k^{(0)}}$$



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Normalization?

Let us order  $N$

$$|n\rangle_N = Z_N^{1/2} \underbrace{|n\rangle_\lambda}_{|n^{(0)}\rangle + \lambda |n^{(1)}\rangle + \dots}$$

$$\langle n^{(0)} | \times$$

$$\langle n^{(0)} | n \rangle_N = Z_N^{1/2}$$

by hypothesis

$$\langle n^{(0)} | n^{(j)} \rangle = 0$$

$$Z_N \langle n | n \rangle_\lambda = \sum_N \langle n^{(0)} | n^{(0)} \rangle + \lambda^2 \langle n^{(1)} | n^{(1)} \rangle + \dots + O(\lambda^4)$$