Quasirelativistic approach to parity violation in open-shell molecules

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Studies on parity violation (P-odd effects) in atoms and molecules can, in principle, offer a powerful route to information on Standard Model parameters that is complimentary to high-energy experiments (see e.g. [1, 2]). Nuclear spin-dependent P-odd effects received recently special interest as available atomic experimental data on the parameters of this type of P-odd interaction are in contradiction [3]. Experiments with diatomic and polyatomic molecules containing heavy nuclei are expected to clarify the situation and various molecular experiments are currently planned (see e.g. [4]). Crucial for all such experiments is the calculation of parameters of the effective P-odd Hamiltonian which is required for the interpretation of the experimental spectrum [5, 6, 2].

We present our recent developments of the theory of effective P-odd Hamiltonians for molecular systems and report computational results obtained within the quasirelativistic zeroth order regular approximation approach for the nuclear spin-dependent P-odd effects in a number of diatomic molecules [7].

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