A practical scheme for constructing the minimum-weight states of the su(n)-Lipkin model in arbitrary fermion number

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With the aim of performing an argument supplementary to the previous paper by the present authors [Y. Tsue, C. Providência, J. da Providência, and M. Yamamura, Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. **2017**, 081D01 (2017)], in this paper, a practical scheme for constructing the minimum-weight states of the su(n)-Lipkin model in arbitrary fermion number is discussed. The idea comes from the following two points: (i) consideration of the property of one-fermion transfer induced by the su(n)-generators in the Lipkin model and (ii) use of the auxiliary su(2)-algebra presented by the present authors. The form obtained under points (i) and (ii) is simple.

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1. Introduction

As is well known, the Lipkin model proposed by Lipkin, Meshkov, and Glick in 1965 [1] is a classical one. This model is based on the su(2)-algebra and has played, in a certain sense, a central role in the studies of nuclear many-body theories. As one of the theoretical interests, the original Lipkin model has been generalized to the form based on the su(n)-algebra. We call it the su(n)-Lipkin model [2–5]. However, the generalization has been restricted to the case of the "closed-shell" system: In the absence of interaction, all fermions fully occupy the energetically lowest single-particle level.

Under the above-mentioned situation, the present authors recently published three papers, in which the su(n)-Lipkin model was discussed for the case in arbitrary fermion number [6–8]. In particular, in Ref. [6], which will be referred to as (I), we discussed the minimum-weight states in arbitrary fermion number. In the "closed-shell" system, the minimum-weight state is simply and uniquely given without any comment. However, the algebraic approach to many-body theories starts with the task of how to express the minimum-weight states. In the case with the "closed-shell" system, we can skip this task. After finishing this step, we must construct the orthogonal set by operating the "raising" operators on the minimum-weight states appropriately. This problem was discussed in the frame of our idea [7,8]. In this paper, a practical scheme for constructing the minimum-weight states of the su(n)-Lipkin model in arbitrary fermion number is presented with a supplementary argument to discussions developed in Ref. [8].

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In (I), we gave a possible idea for constructing the minimum-weight states in the case with arbitrary fermion number. The basic idea can be found in the paper by the present authors [9]: introduction of new su(2)-algebra into the su(2)-Lipkin model. Any of the three generators commutes with the three generators in the Lipkin model. We called it the auxiliary su(2)-algebra. With the help of this algebra, we can determine the minimum-weight states of the su(2)-Lipkin model. In this connection, the magnitude of this new su(2)-algebra in the case of the "closed-shell" system is equal to zero. In (I), we generalize this case to the su(n)-Lipkin model. Naturally, in this case, we can also present the auxiliary su(2)-algebra generalized from the form in the su(2)-Lipkin model. The explicit form of the minimum-weight states of the su(n)-Lipkin model is shown in the relation (I.5.15). As can be seen in this relation, the minimum-weight states are expressed in terms of the raising operators of the auxiliary su(2)-algebras of the su(n')-Lipkin model for $n' \leq n$. However, the commutation relations among the generators with n' and n'' ($n' \neq n''$) are complicated. Therefore, it may be very tedious to obtain the normalized states. The above tells us that the form (I.5.15) may not be practical. The aim of this paper is to give an alternative form of the minimum-weight states, which may be expected to overcome the above-mentioned trouble with the normalization.

This paper is organized as follows: In the next section, we recapitulate briefly the su(n)-Lipkin model and show the existence of the auxiliary su(2)-algebra. In Sect. 3, the minimum-weight state is constructed with arbitrary fermion number in an alternative form to overcome the previously encountered trouble with the normalization. The last section is devoted to concluding remarks.

2. Recapitulation of the su(M + 1)-Lipkin model and auxiliary su(2)-algebra

First, we recapitulate briefly the su(M+1)-Lipkin model in a form suitable for the present discussion. It consists of (M+1) single-particle levels (M = 1, 2, ...), which are labeled as i = 0, 1, 2, ..., M. The case with M = 1 corresponds to the original su(2)-Lipkin model [1]. Each single-particle level contains 2Ω single-particle states that are discriminated from each other by $\mu = 1, 2, ..., 2\Omega$. Thus, every single-particle state can be specified by (i, μ) . With the use of the fermion operators $(\tilde{c}_{i,\mu}, \tilde{c}^*_{i,\mu})$, we define the following bilinear form:

$$\widetilde{S}^{i} = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \widetilde{c}^{*}_{i,\mu} \widetilde{c}_{0,\mu}, \qquad \widetilde{S}_{i} = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \widetilde{c}^{*}_{0,\mu} \widetilde{c}_{i,\mu}, \qquad (i = 1, 2, \dots, M)$$
$$\widetilde{S}^{i}_{j} = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \left(\widetilde{c}^{*}_{i,\mu} \widetilde{c}_{j,\mu} - \delta_{ij} \widetilde{c}^{*}_{0,\mu} \widetilde{c}_{0,\mu} \right). \qquad (i, j = 1, 2, \dots, M)$$
(2.1)

The set $(\widetilde{S}^i, \widetilde{S}_i, \widetilde{S}_i^i)$ forms the su(M + 1)-algebra:

$$\left[\widetilde{S}^{i}, \widetilde{S}_{j}\right] = \widetilde{S}^{i}_{j}, \qquad (2.2a)$$

$$\left[\widetilde{S}_{j}^{i}, \widetilde{S}^{k}\right] = \delta_{jk}\widetilde{S}^{i} + \delta_{ij}\widetilde{S}^{k}, \qquad (2.2b)$$

$$\left[\widetilde{S}_{j}^{i}, \widetilde{S}_{k}^{l}\right] = \delta_{jl}\widetilde{S}_{k}^{i} - \delta_{ik}\widetilde{S}_{j}^{l}.$$
(2.2c)

The su(n)-generators (2.1) are expressed in the form $\sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \tilde{c}_{i,\mu}^* \tilde{c}_{j,\mu}$ for $i \neq j$ including the case with i or j = 0. In this form, we can see that j changes to i, but μ does not change. Later, this property will play a key role in constructing the minimum-weight states.

In association with the above su(M+1)-algebra, we can introduce new su(2)-algebra in the present fermion space. Two cases with M = 1 and an arbitrary value of M have been discussed in Refs. [9] and [6], respectively. We introduce the following operators:

$$\tilde{d}_{\mu}^{*} = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=0}^{M} \tilde{c}_{i,\mu}^{*}, & (M = 1, 3, 5, \ldots) \\ e_{\mu} \prod_{i=0}^{M} \tilde{c}_{i,\mu}^{*}, & (M = 2, 4, 6, \ldots). \end{cases}$$
(2.3)

Here, e_{μ} denotes the Clifford number obeying

$$e_{\mu} \cdot e_{\mu'} + e_{\mu'} \cdot e_{\mu} = 2\delta_{\mu\mu'}.$$
 (2.4)

With the use of the operator (2.3), we define $\widetilde{\Lambda}_{\pm}$ in the form

$$\widetilde{\Lambda}_{+} = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \widetilde{d}_{\mu}^{*}, \qquad \widetilde{\Lambda}_{-} = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \widetilde{d}_{\mu}.$$
(2.5)

The operator $\widetilde{\Lambda}_0$ is defined as

$$\widetilde{\Lambda}_{0} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} [\tilde{d}_{\mu}^{*}, \tilde{d}_{\mu}].$$
(2.6)

In (I), we proved that $\widetilde{\Lambda}_{\pm,0}$ obey the su(2)-algebra and, further, they commute with any of the present su(M + 1)-generators:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{\Lambda}_{+}, \ \widetilde{\Lambda}_{-} \end{bmatrix} = 2\widetilde{\Lambda}_{0}, \qquad \begin{bmatrix} \widetilde{\Lambda}_{0}, \ \widetilde{\Lambda}_{\pm} \end{bmatrix} = \pm \widetilde{\Lambda}_{\pm}, \qquad (2.7)$$

$$\left[\widetilde{\Lambda}_{\pm,0}, \text{ any of } (\widetilde{S}^{i}, \widetilde{S}_{i}, \widetilde{S}_{j}^{i})\right] = 0.$$
(2.8)

In the relation (2.5) with (2.3), we can see the following about a series of single-particle states $(0, \mu)$, $(1, \mu)$, ..., (M, μ) appearing in the states under consideration: The operation of $\tilde{\Lambda}_+$ can work only in the case where this series is fully vacant and, in any other case, this series vanishes. On the other hand, if this series is fully occupied, the operation of $\tilde{\Lambda}_-$ does not make this series vanish and, for any other case, this series vanishes.

In (I) and, of course, Ref. [9], we called the set $(\tilde{\Lambda}_{\pm,0})$ the auxiliary su(2)-algebra in the su(M+1)-Lipkin model. However, in (I), the explicit form of $\tilde{\Lambda}_0$ is presented in two simple cases with M = 1and 2. We can show that $\tilde{\Lambda}_0$ is generally expressed as

$$\widetilde{\Lambda}_{0} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \left(\prod_{i=0}^{M} \widetilde{\nu}_{i,\mu} - \prod_{i=0}^{M} (1 - \widetilde{\nu}_{i,\mu}) \right),$$
(2.9)

$$\tilde{\nu}_{i,\mu} = \tilde{c}^*_{i,\mu} \tilde{c}_{i,\mu}. \tag{2.10}$$

Hereafter, we will use the following operators:

$$\tilde{\nu}_i = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \tilde{\nu}_{i,\mu}, \qquad \widetilde{N} = \sum_{i=0}^M \tilde{\nu}_i.$$
(2.11)

Here, \tilde{v}_i and \tilde{N} denote the fermion number operator in the level *i* and the total, respectively. The case with M = 1 is given as

$$\widetilde{\Lambda}_{+} = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \widetilde{c}_{0,\mu}^{*} \widetilde{c}_{1,\mu}^{*}, \qquad \widetilde{\Lambda}_{-} = \sum_{\mu=1}^{2\Omega} \widetilde{c}_{1,\mu} \widetilde{c}_{0,\mu}, \qquad \widetilde{\Lambda}_{0} = \frac{1}{2} \widetilde{N} - \Omega.$$
(2.12)

The form (2.12) has been reported in Ref. [9]. Since $[\tilde{\Lambda}_0, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\pm}] = \pm \tilde{\Lambda}_{\pm}$ and $[\tilde{N}, \tilde{\Lambda}_{\pm}] = \pm (M+1)\tilde{\Lambda}_{\pm}$, $\tilde{\Lambda}_0$ can be expressed in the form

$$\widetilde{\Lambda}_0 = \frac{1}{M+1} \widetilde{N} - \widetilde{\mathcal{L}}, \qquad \left[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}, \ \widetilde{\Lambda}_{\pm} \right] = 0.$$
(2.13)

Of course, $\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}$ satisfies

$$\left[\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}, \text{ any of } \left(\widetilde{S}^{i}, \widetilde{S}_{i}, \widetilde{S}_{j}^{i}\right)\right] = 0.$$
(2.14)

On the basis of the above relations, we will discuss how to construct the minimum-weight state of the su(M + 1)-Lipkin model in arbitrary fermion number. As was mentioned in the introduction, the argument in this paper may be supplementary to that given in (I).

3. Construction of the minimum-weight states of the su(n)-Lipkin model in arbitrary fermion number

Let $|m\rangle$ denote the minimum-weight state. It obeys the following condition:

$$\widetilde{S}_i|m\rangle\rangle = \widetilde{S}_i^j|m\rangle\rangle = 0, \qquad (i>j)$$
(3.1a)

$$\widetilde{S}_{i}^{i}|m\rangle\rangle = -\sigma_{i}|m\rangle\rangle. \tag{3.1b}$$

The condition (3.1b) can be rewritten in the form

$$(\tilde{\nu}_i - \tilde{\nu}_0)|m\rangle = -\sigma_i |m\rangle. \qquad (i = 1, 2, \dots, M)$$
(3.2)

For the state $|m\rangle$ obeying the condition (3.1), we have the relation

$$\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}\tilde{S}_i|m\rangle\rangle = \tilde{S}_i\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}|m\rangle\rangle = 0, \qquad (3.3a)$$

$$\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}\tilde{S}_{i}^{j}|m\rangle\rangle = \tilde{S}_{i}^{j}\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}|m\rangle\rangle = 0, \qquad (i > j)$$
(3.3b)

$$\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}\widetilde{S}_{i}^{i}|m\rangle\rangle = \widetilde{S}_{i}^{i}\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}|m\rangle\rangle = -\sigma_{i}\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}|m\rangle\rangle.$$
(3.3c)

Then, as a possible choice, it may be permitted to set up the relation

$$\tilde{\nu}_{k,\mu}|m\rangle\rangle = \nu_{k,\mu}|m\rangle\rangle, \qquad \nu_{k,\mu} = 1 \text{ or } 0.$$
 (3.4)

If $v_{k,\mu} = 1$ and 0, the single-particle state (k, μ) is occupied and vacant, respectively, for the fermion. As has already been mentioned, one-fermion transfer through the su(M + 1)-generators (2.1) occurs between (i, μ) and (j, μ) with $i \neq j$ including *i* or j = 0. It should be noted that μ does not change. Then, the condition (3.1a) tells us that in the state $|m\rangle$, the one-fermion transfer occurs in the case from the state (i, μ) to the lower state (j, μ) , i.e., i > j. If the state (j, μ) is occupied, i.e., $v_{j,\mu} = 1$, then, by the Pauli principle, this transfer is forbidden. Therefore, in the state $|m\rangle$, as the singleparticle level becomes higher, i.e., *i* increases, the occupation number of the fermions in the state *i* decreases. In our present model, we cannot find any condition that interferes with the relation (3.4).



Fig. 1. The schematic level scheme and occupation numbers.

To search for the state $|m\rangle$, we introduce the state $|m_0\rangle$ governed by the conditions

$$\widetilde{S}_{i}|m_{0}\rangle\rangle = \widetilde{S}_{i}^{j}|m_{0}\rangle\rangle = 0, \quad (i > j), \qquad \widetilde{S}_{i}^{i}|m_{0}\rangle\rangle = -\sigma_{i}|m_{0}\rangle\rangle, \tag{3.5}$$

$$\widetilde{\Lambda}_{-}|m_{0}\rangle\rangle = 0, \qquad \widetilde{\Lambda}_{0}|m_{0}\rangle\rangle = -\lambda|m_{0}\rangle\rangle.$$
(3.6)

The condition (3.5) is identical to the relation (3.1). The relation (2.8) teaches us that the relations (3.5) and (3.6) are compatible with each other. If $|m_0\rangle$ is obtained, $|m\rangle$ can be expressed in the form

$$|m\rangle\rangle = \left(\widetilde{\Lambda}_{+}\right)^{\lambda+\lambda_{0}}|m_{0}\rangle\rangle. \qquad (\lambda_{0} = -\lambda, \ -\lambda + 1, \dots, \ \lambda - 1, \ \lambda)$$
(3.7)

As has already been mentioned, if, in $|m_0\rangle$, the series of the single-particle states $(0, \mu), (1, \mu), \ldots, (M, \mu)$ is fully vacant, we have $\widetilde{\Lambda}_+|m_0\rangle \neq 0$ and, in any other case, $\widetilde{\Lambda}_+|m_0\rangle = 0$. If in $|m_0\rangle$, this series is fully occupied, we obtain $\widetilde{\Lambda}_-|m_0\rangle \neq 0$ and in any other case, $\widetilde{\Lambda}_-|m_0\rangle = 0$.

On the basis of the above consideration, first, we construct the simplest example of $|m_0\rangle$. We treat the following case: For the level i (= 0, 1, 2, ..., L), $v_{i,\mu} = 1$ in the range $\mu = 1 + \mu_i$, $2 + \mu_i$, ..., $v_{i-1} + \mu_i$, $v_i + \mu_i$ and in the remaining ranges $v_{i,\mu} = 0$. The above-mentioned scheme is illustrated in Fig. 1, which teaches us that v_i fermions occupy the level *i*. Any fermion does not occupy the levels i = L + 1, L + 2,..., *M*. Consideration of the one-fermion transfer and the operation of $\tilde{\Lambda}_{\pm}$ gives us the following relation:

$$v_0 \ge v_1 \ge \dots \ge v_L > 0, \qquad v_{L+1} = v_{L+2} = \dots = v_M = 0,$$
 (3.8a)

$$0 \le \mu_0 \le \mu_1 \le \dots \le \mu_L,\tag{3.8b}$$

$$\nu_0 + \mu_0 \le 2\Omega. \tag{3.8c}$$

Thus, $|m_0\rangle$ can be expressed in the form

$$|m_0\rangle = \prod_{i=0}^{L} \prod_{\mu=1+\mu_i}^{\nu_i+\mu_i} \tilde{c}_{i,\mu}^* |0\rangle . \qquad (\tilde{c}_{i,\mu}|0\rangle = 0)$$
(3.9)

Of course, { $|m_0\rangle$ } forms a normalized orthogonal set. The quantity σ_i given in the relation (3.5) is expressed as

$$\sigma_i = \begin{cases} \nu_0 - \nu_i, & (i = 1, 2, \dots, L) \\ \nu_0, & (i = L + 1, L + 2, \dots, M). \end{cases}$$
(3.10)

The above relations lead us to

$$\sigma_1 \leq \sigma_2 \leq \cdots \leq \sigma_L < \sigma_{L+1} = \sigma_{L+2} = \cdots = \sigma_M \ (= \nu_0). \tag{3.11}$$

Hereafter, instead of $\{\sigma_i\}$, we formulate the minimum-weight states by $\{\nu_i\}$. With the use of the relation (2.9) for $\widetilde{\Lambda}_0$, we obtain λ in the form

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{\mu=1}^{\mu_0} 1 + \sum_{\mu=\nu_0+\mu_0+1}^{2\Omega} 1 \right) = \Omega - \frac{1}{2}\nu_0.$$
(3.12)

The total fermion number for $|m_0\rangle$, which is denoted as N_{\min} , is given in the form

$$N_{\min} = \sum_{i=0}^{L} v_i = v_0 + v(L),$$

$$v(L) = \sum_{i=1}^{L} v_i.$$
 (3.13)

Then, \mathcal{L} , the eigenvalue of $\widetilde{\mathcal{L}}$ that is defined in the relation (2.13), is given by

$$\mathcal{L} = \Omega - \frac{M-1}{2(M+1)}\nu_0 + \frac{1}{M+1}\nu(L).$$
(3.14)

The quantity λ_0 for any fermion number, N, is expressed as

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{1}{M+1} N - \left(\Omega - \frac{M-1}{2(M+1)}\nu_0 + \frac{1}{M+1}\nu(L)\right).$$
(3.15)

Of course, λ_0 obey the inequality

$$-\lambda \le \lambda_0 \le \lambda. \tag{3.16}$$

The case with $\lambda_0 = \lambda$ gives us the maximum fermion number, N_{max} . With the use of the relations (3.13) and (3.15) for $\lambda_0 = \lambda$, we have

$$N_{\max} = 2\Omega \cdot (M+1) - M\nu_0 - \nu(L)$$

= $N_{\min} + (M+1) \cdot 2\lambda.$ (3.17)

Through the relation (3.7), the normalized state $|m\rangle$ is given as

$$|m\rangle\rangle = \sqrt{\frac{(\lambda - \lambda_0)!}{(2\lambda)!(\lambda + \lambda_0)!}} \left(\widetilde{\Lambda}_+\right)^{\lambda + \lambda_0} |m_0\rangle\rangle.$$
(3.18)

Therefore, we do not have the trouble with the normalization.

A schematic feature of Fig. 1 is depicted in Fig. 2. In the upper figure in Fig. 2, the block [B] surrounded by the points A, A', B, and B' is trapezoid-like in shape. The segments AA' and BB' are

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Fig. 2. A schematic feature of Fig. 1.



Fig. 3. Schematic depiction of the case composed of two blocks.

parallel with each other and the sections AB and A'B' are stepwise. If $\overline{BB'} = 0$ and $\overline{BB'} = \overline{AA'}$, [B] becomes triangle-like (Fig. 2₁) and rectangular (Fig. 2₂), respectively. Further, as a possible shape of [B], we have the figure obtained by piling the trapezoid-like figure on the rectangle (Fig. 2₃). The number of lattice points in [B] corresponds to the total fermion number in $|m_0\rangle$, N_{\min} . The intervals OP and P'O' are related to the number of Λ_+ operations. If \overline{OA} ($\overline{A'O'}$) = 0, the point P (P') disappears and the operation of Λ_+ is meaningless. If \overline{OA} ($\overline{A'O}$) \geq 1, the interval OP (P'O') for the operation of Λ_+ becomes meaningful. Next, we consider the case composed of two blocks [B¹] and [B²], which is depicted in Fig. 3. The discussion in the case with [B] can be applied to the sides OA₁ and A'₂O' in the present case. Then, it may be enough to discuss the interrelation between the points A'₁ and A₂. It is easily verified that, if $\overline{A'_1A_2} \leq 1$, the interval A'_1A_2 does not contribute to the operation of Λ_+ , but if $\overline{A'_1A_2} > 1$, A'_1A_2 contributes to the operation of Λ_+ .

If we follow the above consideration, it may be easy to treat the general case, i.e., the case with *K* blocks. First, we prepare the blocks labeled by $\kappa = 1, 2, ..., K$; $[F^{\kappa}]$ denotes the κ th block. Then, it is enough to line them up along the μ -axis (Fig. 4). Of course, it is natural to avoid overlapping them with each other. The relation (3.13) is useful in the present case and then we can construct $|m_0\rangle$. The



Fig. 4. Schematic depiction of the case composed of K blocks.

relation (3.18) gives us $|m\rangle$. The number of the lattice points N^{κ} in [B^{κ}] and $N_{\min} \left(= \sum_{\kappa=1}^{K} N^{\kappa} \right)$ are given by

$$N_{\min} = \nu_0 + \nu(L),$$
 (3.19)

$$v_0 = \sum_{\kappa=1}^{K} v_0^{\kappa}, \quad v_i = \sum_{\kappa=1}^{K} v_i^{\kappa}, \quad v(L) = \sum_{i=1}^{L} v_i,$$
 (3.20)

$$L = \max\left(L^1, \dots, L^K\right). \tag{3.21}$$

For the other relations, we have the same expressions as those given in the simplest example.

We will show the domains on the plane (v_0 , v(L)), where the inequalities (3.8a) and (3.16) are realized. These inequalities lead us to the following relations:

$$\nu(L) \le L\nu_0, \tag{3.22a}$$

$$\nu(L) \le N - \nu_0, \tag{3.22b}$$

$$\nu(L) \ge -(2(M+1)\Omega - N) + M\nu_0.$$
 (3.22c)

The relation (3.22a) is derived from the inequalities (3.8a), but the reverse is not true. In the case with L = 0, we can simply show the following domains:

(i)
$$0 \le N \le 2\Omega$$
, $0 \le \nu_0 \le N$, $\nu(0) = 0$, (3.23a)

(ii)
$$2\Omega \le N \le 2(M+1)\Omega$$
, $0 \le \nu_0 \le \frac{2(M+1)\Omega - N}{M}$, $\nu(0) = 0$. (3.23b)

In the case with $1 \le L \le M - 1$, the domains are depicted in Figs. 5₁, 5₂, and 5₃.

4. Concluding remarks

Finally, we will give some remarks. As was mentioned in the introduction, the algebraic approach to many-body theories starts with the task of how to express the minimum-weight states. In this paper, we have presented a practical scheme for constructing the minimum-weight states in the space spanned by i = 0, 1, ..., M and $\mu = 1, 2, ..., 2\Omega$. If we encounter a system that contains the components violating the *su(n)*-symmetry to a greater or lesser degree, we must treat plural minimum-weight states simultaneously. In such situations, our scheme may be useful. On the other hand, we know the case where it may be enough to adopt a single minimum-weight state. In this case, our scheme becomes much simpler. It may be permitted to change the numbering of μ appropriately.



Fig. 5. The domains in which the inequalities (3.8a) and (3.16) are realized are shown as the areas inside the triangle and quadrilateral, respectively.



Fig. 6. The schematic level scheme and occupation numbers.

This leads us to put $\mu_i = 0$ (i = 0, 1, ..., L) in Fig. 1, which becomes Fig. 6. In this case, $|m_0\rangle$ can be expressed in the form

$$|m_0\rangle\rangle = \prod_{i=0}^{L} \prod_{\mu=1}^{\nu_i} \tilde{c}^*_{i,\mu} |0\rangle\rangle.$$
 (4.24)

The form (4.24) is useful for the Hamiltonian expressed in terms of the generators (2.1), e.g., such as that given in the relations (I.2.6) and (I.2.9).

Thus, we have been able to obtain the minimum-weight states $|m\rangle\rangle$ in a practical scheme. Needless to say, the above treatment is predicated on the property of the one-fermion transfer proper to the generators in the su(n)-Lipkin model. In this transfer, the quantum number μ does not change. Further, we should stress that the auxiliary su(2)-algebra also plays a central role: with the aid of this algebra, $|m\rangle\rangle$ is derived from $|m_0\rangle\rangle$.

In the forthcoming paper, we will propose an idea for the random phase approximation based on the minimum-weight state (4.24) and discuss the phase change observed under this approximation.

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