

# Exercise 1:

## 2x2 Hamiltonian

*Eigenstates and functions of a 2 by 2 matrix.*

- (a) Given the Hamiltonian (1):

$$H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ t & \Delta \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1)$$

and the Hamiltonian (2):

$$H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 & t \\ t & \epsilon_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2)$$

Show that for  $\Delta = \epsilon_2 - \epsilon_1$  the Hamiltonians  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  have the same eigenfunctions and that the eigen energies between the two Hamiltonians are shifted by  $\epsilon_1$ .

- (b) Show that the sum of the eigenenergies of  $H_2$  is independent of  $t$  and equal to  $\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2$
- (c) Show that if  $\psi_- = \{\alpha, \beta\}$  is an eigenfunction of  $H_2$  then the other eigenfunction is given as  $\psi_+ = \{\beta, -\alpha\}$
- (d) Given that  $\psi_- = \{\alpha, \beta\}$  and  $\psi_+ = \{\beta, -\alpha\}$  are the eigenfunctions of  $H_2$  at an eigenenergy of  $E_-$  and  $E_+$  respectively. Show that:  $\alpha^2 \times E_- + \beta^2 \times E_+ = \epsilon_1$  and that  $\beta^2 \times E_- + \alpha^2 \times E_+ = \epsilon_2$ . In other words, show that the center of gravity of the Partial Density of States (PDOS) is the on-site energy.