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Electronic Structure of donor pairs in Si¹ BELITA KOILLER, ANDRE SARAIVA², Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, MARIA JOSE CALDERON, Instituto de Ciencia de Materiales de Madrid-CSIC, Spain, FERNANDO GONZALEZ-ZALBA, Hitachi Cambridge Laboratory, Cavendish Laboratory, UK, DOMINIK HEISS, Technische Universiteit Eindhoven, Netherlands, ANDREW J. FERGUSON, Cavendish Laboratory, UK — We develop an effective mass theory for a pair of substitutional group-V donors in Si. An empirical central cell correction for a single donor, applied to energies and wavefunctions, leads to an accurate description of the D_2 “molecular” spectrum. No configuration averages simulating an ensemble of pairs are taken: our formalism applies to the single pair regime, including the A1, T and E single donor states in the hydrogenic S-like manifold and a Configuration Interaction approach to account for electron-electron correlations. We also obtain the inter donor distance dependence of experimentally accessible quantities: first ionization ($D_2^0 \rightarrow D_2^+$), second ionization ($D_2^+ \rightarrow D_2^{++}$) energies, charging energy and singlet-triplet splitting. All results are consistent with recently performed experiments on As doped Si, suggesting that our approach is reliable down to distances ~ 2 nm, and possibly smaller.

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