

# Molecular Zeeman Library

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# 1 Introduction

The Molecular Zeeman Library (MZL) is a collection of routines for numerically computing the Zeeman effect in diatomic molecules. The routines have been written in C, and present a modern Applications Programming Interface (API) for C programmers, allowing wrappers to be written for very high level languages. A C-Fortran interface is also provided for the benefit of Fortran programmers. The source code is distributed under the GNU General Public License.

## 1.1 The object of MZL

The Molecular Zeeman Library provides routines to compute the Zeeman effect in states of diatomic molecules described by Hund's cases (a), (b), or intermediate between (a) and (b). The computations are restricted to cases of astrophysical interest. This implies that some approximations have been assumed; they are described below (see [Chapter 2 \[Scientific context\]](#), page 4).

Routines for computing not only the splitting of the energy terms but also the splitting of individual band lines are provided. In the latter case, as is usual in astrophysics, the whole Zeeman pattern lies within the profile of the broadened unperturbed line. It is therefore convenient to compute the weighted mean displacements of the patterns the  $\sigma$ -components by weighing with the relative intensities of the individual transitions. Routines for the latter as well as for the weighted mean displacements are available.

Note that the Molecular Zeeman Library is not self-contained: the molecular constants have to be provided by the user (see [Section 6.1 \[C Data Types\]](#), page 17 or [Section 7.1 \[Data Types\]](#), page 23).

## 1.2 MZL is Free Software

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Also, for our own protection, we must make certain that everyone finds out that there is no warranty for the Molecular Zeeman Library. If these programs are modified by someone

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The precise conditions for the distribution of software related to the Molecular Zeeman Library are found in the GNU General Public License (see [\[GNU General Public License\]](#), page 35).

<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/gpl-faq.html>

### 1.3 Obtaining MZL

The source code for the library can be obtained in different ways, by copying it from a friend, or downloading it from the internet:

<http://bass2000.obspm.fr/mzl/download/mzl-1.0.tar.gz>

The preferred platform for the library is a GNU system, which allows it to take advantage of additional features in the GNU C compiler and GNU C library. However, the library is fully portable and should compile on most systems.

### 1.4 Referring to MZL

If you use the Molecular Zeeman Library in your research work, the author would appreciate your acknowledging it; in a publication, kindly use a phrase such as the following:

*This research has made use of the Molecular Zeeman Library (Leroy, 2004).*

and refer to the MZL by citing the reference manual, e.g.,

B. Leroy, 2004: *Molecular Zeeman Library Reference Manual* (available on-line at <http://bass2000.obspm.fr/mzl/download/mzl-ref.pdf>)

### 1.5 No Warranty

The software described in this manual has no warranty, it is provided "as is". It is your responsibility to validate the behavior of the routines and their accuracy using the source code provided. Consult the GNU General Public license for further details (see [\[GNU General Public License\]](#), page 35).

### 1.6 Reporting Bugs

A list of known bugs can be found in the 'BUGS' file included in the MZL distribution. Details of compilation problems can be found in the 'INSTALL' file.

If you find a bug which is not listed in these files please report it to [Bernard.Leroy@obspm.fr](mailto:Bernard.Leroy@obspm.fr).

All bug reports should include:

- The version number of MZL
- The hardware and operating system
- The (C and/or Fortran) compilers used, including version number and compilation options

- A description of the bug behavior
- A short program which exercises the bug

It is also useful if you can report whether the same problem occurs when the library is compiled without optimization. Thank you.

## 1.7 Further Information

The developer of the library can be reached via his email address, [Bernard.Leroy@obspm.fr](mailto:Bernard.Leroy@obspm.fr) or via his postal address:

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## 2 Scientific context

This chapter describes the scientific background used in building the MZL.

### 2.1 The Unperturbed State

The description of the molecular state is restricted to Hund's cases (a) and (b), and to intermediate couplings between (a) and (b). The computations are done with Hund's case (a) wave functions,  $|\Lambda S \Sigma; \Omega J M\rangle$ , as a basis set ( $\Omega = \Lambda + \Sigma$ ). In this basis, the Hamiltonian,  $\mathcal{H}$ , of the molecule in the absence of a magnetic field has the following elements (see Hougen, Kovács and Herzberg in [Section 2.3 \[References\]](#), page 5):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Lambda \Sigma | \mathcal{H} | \Lambda \Sigma \rangle &= A_v \Lambda \Sigma + B_v [J(J+1) - \Omega^2 + S(S+1) - \Sigma^2] \\ &\quad + \gamma [\Sigma^2 - S(S+1)] + \lambda [3\Sigma^2 - S(S+1)] \\ \langle \Lambda \Sigma | \mathcal{H} | \Lambda \Sigma \pm 1 \rangle &= (B_v - \gamma/2) \sqrt{S(S+1) - \Sigma(\Sigma \pm 1)} \sqrt{J(J+1) - \Omega(\Omega \pm 1)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_v$  and  $B_v$  ( $= B_e - \alpha_e(v+1/2) + \dots$ ) are the constant of spin-orbit interaction and the rotational constant for a given vibrational state  $v$ ,  $\gamma$  is the constant of spin-rotation interaction, and  $\lambda$  the constant of spin-spin interaction (the corresponding term in the Hamiltonian element above is valid only for  ${}^3\Sigma$  states<sup>1</sup>). All the constants are in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

The above expressions imply that the  $\Lambda$ -doubling effect is not taken into account, which is reasonable in astrophysical applications.

The intermediate case wavefunctions are computed as linear combinations of case (a) wavefunctions as:

$$|\Psi_i^{ab}\rangle = \sum_{\alpha=-S}^S C_{\alpha i} |\Psi_\alpha^a\rangle$$

where the coefficients  $C_{\alpha i}$  are the components of the eigenvectors of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

The ratio  $Y = A_v/B_v$  is an indicator of how close a state is to the pure Hund's cases; if  $Y \gg J(J+1)$ , then the state is well described by a pure Hund's case (a), whereas if  $Y \ll J(J+1)$ , it is well described by a pure Hund's case (b).

Let us warn the user that there may be species and/or states whose description does not fit well in the model underlying the MZL. Should the user be confronted with such a nasty case, they should consult the specialized literature on molecules.

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<sup>1</sup> For other states for which this interaction should be taken into account, the Hamiltonian should be modified in an appropriate way. However, no possibility of dynamically changing the Hamiltonian has been implemented.

## 2.2 Zeeman effect

The largest contribution to the Zeeman effect is due to the magnetic moment associated with the electronic spin and orbital angular momentum. No contribution of nuclear origin is taken into account. The perturbation matrix,  $\mathcal{H}'$ , has therefore the following elements (see Kovács and Schadee in [Section 2.3 \[References\]](#), page 5):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Lambda\Sigma | \mathcal{H}' | \Lambda\Sigma \rangle &= \frac{(\Lambda + 2\Sigma)\Omega}{J(J+1)} M\Delta\sigma_0 \\ \langle \Lambda\Sigma | \mathcal{H}' | \Lambda\Sigma \pm 1 \rangle &= \frac{\sqrt{S(S+1) - \Sigma(\Sigma \pm 1)}\sqrt{J(J+1) - \Omega(\Omega \pm 1)}}{J(J+1)} M\Delta\sigma_0 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta\sigma_0 = \mu_B H \text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\mu_B$  is Bohr's magneton and  $H$  the magnetic field strength in Gauss).

The Zeeman shift of energy level  $i$  is given by

$$\Delta E_i = \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{\beta} C_{\alpha i} C_{\beta i} \mathcal{H}'_{\alpha\beta} =: gM\Delta\sigma_0$$

where  $\mathcal{H}'_{\alpha\beta}$  are the elements of the perturbation matrix. The last equality defines the Landé factor,  $g$ .

In astrophysical situations the magnetic field generally is not strong enough to split the unperturbed, usually broadened, line: the Zeeman patterns lie within the unperturbed line profile. As a result, a useful measure of the Zeeman effect is obtained by computing the weighted mean displacements,  $\langle \Delta\sigma \rangle$ , of the patterns for each  $\Delta M$ , the weighing factors being the relative intensities of the transitions, and by computing the separation of the weighted mean positions of the  $\sigma$ -patterns ( $\Delta M = +1$  and  $-1$ ):  $\langle \Delta\sigma^+ \rangle - \langle \Delta\sigma^- \rangle$ . The weighted means of the  $\pi$ -patterns ( $\Delta M = 0$ ) are always zero. (See Schadee in [Section 2.3 \[References\]](#), page 5.)

## 2.3 References

The standard references are the following books:

G. Herzberg, *Molecular Spectra and Molecular Structure. I. Spectra of Diatomic Molecules*, D. van Nostrand, 1950.

J. T. Hougen, *The Calculation of Rotational Energy Levels and Rotational Line Intensities in Diatomic Molecules*, NBS Monograph, 115, 1970 (available on-line at <http://physics.nist.gov/Pubs/Mono115/contents.html>).

K. P. Huber and G. Herzberg, *Molecular Spectra and Molecular Structure. IV. Constants of Diatomic Molecules*, D. van Nostrand, 1979 (update of the reference by Herzberg above). The tables can be found on-line at <http://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/>.

I. Kovács, *Rotational Structure in the Spectra of Diatomic Molecules*, D. van Nostrand, 1950.

As far as the molecular Zeeman in astrophysical applications is concerned, the reader is referred to the following articles.

A. Schadee, "On the Zeeman effect in electronic transitions of diatomic molecules", *J. Quant. Spectrosc. Radiat. Transfer*, 19, 517 (1978).

S. V. Berdyugina and S. K. Solanki, "The molecular Zeeman effect and diagnostics of solar and stellar magnetic fields", *Astron. Astrophysics*, 385, 701 (2002).



## 3 Using the library from C/C++

This chapter describes how to compile programs that use MZL, and introduces its conventions.

### 3.1 An Example Program

The following short program demonstrates the use of the library by computing the value of the Landé factor of the energy term corresponding to  $\Omega = 3/2$  of a regular  ${}^2\Pi_{3/2}$  doublet for an angular momentum value  $J = 3/2$ ,

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

#include <mzl/mzl.h>

int main(void)
{
    double Av = 79.01;
    double Bv = 4.29;
    int Lambda = 1;
    int Mult = 2;
    double J = 1.5;
    double Omega = 1.5;

    int term;
    double g;
    mzl_state *s;
    mzl_zeeman *z;

    mzl_init();

    s = mzl_state_create(Av, Bv, 0.0, 0.0, Mult, Lambda, "2Pi");
    if (!s)
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);

    z = mzl_zeeman_alloc(s);
    if (!z)
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);

    if (!mzl_zeeman_compute(z, J))
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);

    term = mzl_state_term_number(s, Omega);
    g = mzl_landé_of_term(z, term);

    printf("Landé factor of term %d: %.5f\n", term, g);

    mzl_zeeman_free(z);
}
```

```

    mzl_state_destroy(s);

    mzl_cleanup();

    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}

```

The output is shown below,

```
Lande factor of term #2: 0.88674
```

The steps needed to compile this program are described in the following sections.

## 3.2 ANSI C Compliance

The library is written in ANSI C and is intended to conform to the ANSI C standard. It should be portable to any system with a working ANSI C compiler.

The library does not rely on any non-ANSI extensions in the interface it exports to the user. Programs you write using MZL can be ANSI compliant.

To avoid namespace conflicts all exported names have the prefix `mzl_`.

## 3.3 Compiling and Linking

There is only one library header file, `'mzl.h'`, and it is installed in its own `'mzl'` directory. You should write the corresponding preprocessor include statement with a `'mzl/'` directory prefix thus,

```
#include <mzl/mzl.h>
```

If the directory is not installed on the standard search path of your compiler you will also need to provide its location to the preprocessor as a command line flag. The default location of the `'mzl'` directory is `'/usr/local/include/mzl'`. A typical compilation command for a source file `'example.c'` with the GNU C compiler `gcc` is,

```
gcc -I/usr/local/include -c example.c
```

This results in an object file `'example.o'`. The default include path for `gcc` searches `'/usr/local/include'` automatically so the `-I` option can be omitted when MZL is installed in its default location.

The library generally is installed as two files, `'libmzl.a'` and `'libmzlcfi.a'`<sup>1</sup> (possibly plus some `'*.so*'` files, if the shared version of the library is installed); the latter contains the C-Fortran interface to MZL proper, and is to be used when a Fortran program needs access to MZL (see [Chapter 4 \[Using the library from Fortran\]](#), page 11). A shared version of the library is also installed on systems that support shared libraries. The default location of these files is `'/usr/local/lib'`. To link C modules against the library you need to specify the main library only. The following example shows how to link an application with the library,

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<sup>1</sup> If the library is installed without its C-Fortran interface, the `'libmzlcfi.a'` is not installed.

```
gcc -o example example.o -lmzl -lgsl -lgslcblas -lm
```

As MZL is built on the GNU Scientific Library, the program must also be linked to the GSL.

The program `mzl-config` provides information on the local version of the library and of the other necessary libraries. For example, the following command shows that the library has been installed under the directory `'/usr/local'`,

```
bash$ mzl-config --prefix
/usr/local
```

The examples above could have been written,

```
gcc -c example.c 'mzl-config --cflags'
gcc -o example example.o 'mzl-config --libs'
```

or, since there is here only one source file,

```
gcc -o example example.c 'mzl-config --cflags --libs'
```

Please, note the backticks in the examples above.

Further information on `mzl-config` is available using the command `mzl-config --help`.

### 3.4 Shared Libraries

To run a program linked with the shared version of the library it may be necessary to define the shell variable `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` to include the directory where the library is installed. For example, in the Bourne shell (`/bin/sh` or `/bin/bash`), if the library has been installed in a `'lib'` directory of the user's home directory, the library path can be set with the following commands:

```
LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$HOME/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH
./example
```

In the C-shell (`/bin/csh` or `/bin/tcsh`) the equivalent command is,

```
setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH $HOME/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

To save retyping these commands each session they should be placed in an individual or system-wide login file.

To compile a statically linked version of the program, use the `-static` flag in `gcc`,

```
gcc -o example -static example.o 'mzl-config --libs'
```

With another compiler, this option may exist under a different name, or not at all; in the latter case, if you insist on using statically linked executables, you should consider installing the static version of the library only (see option `--disable-shared` of `configure`).

### 3.5 Compatibility with C++

The library header file automatically define functions to have `extern "C"` linkage when included in C++ programs.

### 3.6 Thread-safety

The library can be used in multi-threaded programs in as much as the GNU Scientific Library, which MZL requires, is thread-safe (see the corresponding section in GSL's documentation) and that all the functions of MZL are thread-safe, in the sense that they do not use static variables. Memory is always associated with objects and not with functions.

## 4 Using the library from Fortran

This chapter describes how to compile Fortran programs that use MZL, and introduces its conventions.

### 4.1 An Example Program

The following short program demonstrates the use of the library by computing the value of the Landé factor of the energy term corresponding to  $\Omega = 3/2$  of a regular  ${}^2\Pi_{3/2}$  doublet for an angular momentum value  $J = 3/2$ ,

```
PROGRAM intro_f90

  IMPLICIT NONE

  INCLUDE 'mzl/mzl.inc'

  CHARACTER (LEN=*), PARAMETER :: name = '2Pi'
  INTEGER, PARAMETER :: Mult = 2, Lambda = 1
  DOUBLE PRECISION, PARAMETER :: Av = 79.01, Bv = 4.29, gamma = 0.0, &
    lss = 0.0 , J = 1.5, Omega = 1.5

  INTEGER :: term
  INTEGER :: st, z
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: g

  st = cfi_state_create(Av, Bv, gamma, lss, Mult, Lambda, name)
  IF (st .LT. 0) THEN
    STOP
  END IF

  z = cfi_zeeman_alloc(st)
  IF (z .LT. 0) THEN
    STOP
  END IF

  IF (cfi_zeeman_compute(z, J) .EQ. 0) THEN
    STOP "Error computing Zeeman effect"
  END IF

  term = cfi_state_term_number(st, Omega)
  g = cfi_zeeman_landé_of_term(z, term)

  CALL cfi_zeeman_free(z)
  CALL cfi_state_destroy(st)

  WRITE(*, '(A22,I1,A1,F8.5)') 'Landé factor of term #', term, ':', g

END PROGRAM intro_f90
```

The output is shown below,

Lande factor of term #2: 0.88674

The steps needed to compile this program are described in the following sections.

## 4.2 Fortran Dialects

The C-Fortran interface is compatible with Fortran 77, Fortran 90/95 and upward versions of the language such as Fortran 2000 (possibly Fortran 2003). It has been tested on several architectures using several C and Fortran compilers<sup>1</sup>.

The interface library proper, `'libmzlcfi.a'`, is based on a piece of artwork, `'cfortran.h'`, by B. D. Steinmacher-Burow (available at <http://www-zeus.desy.de/~burow/cfortran/>), which enables the Fortran programmer to write reasonably portable, mixed-language C-Fortran code; of course, there may (will) be limitations, but these are essentially due to the use of a Fortran compiler unknown to `'cfortran.h'` (sometimes it is just enough to cheat and tell `'cfortran.h'` that the Fortran compiler we want to use is one of the various it recognizes).

To avoid namespace conflicts all exported function names and variables have the prefix `cfi_`.

## 4.3 Compiling and Linking

A library file, `'mz1.inc'`, which contains the declarations of all functions in the C-Fortran interface library, is installed in the `'mz1'` directory. You should write the corresponding include statement with a `'mz1/'` directory prefix thus,

```
INCLUDE 'mz1/mz1.inc'
```

and provide its location to the compiler as a command line flag. The default location of the `'mz1'` directory is `'/usr/local/include/'`. A typical compilation command for a source file `'example.f90'` with a Fortran 90 compiler `f90` is,

```
f90 -I/usr/local/include -c example.f90
```

This results in an object file `'example.o'`. Generally, the default include path for `f90` searches `'/usr/local/include'` automatically so the `-I` option can be omitted when MZL is installed in its default location, provided the GNU Scientific Library, which is used by MZL, is also installed in the same default location.

If you want to include only the necessary declarations for your functions, just cut and paste what you need from `'mz1.inc'`.

The library is installed as two files, `'libmz1.a'` and `'libmzlcfi.a'`; the latter contains the C-Fortran interface to MZL proper, and is to be used when a Fortran program needs access to MZL (see Chapter 4 [Using the library from Fortran], page 11). A shared version of the library is also installed on systems that support shared libraries. The default location of these files is `'/usr/local/lib'`. To link Fortran modules against the library you need to specify the C-Fortran interface library as well as the main library only. The following example shows how to link an application with the library,

<sup>1</sup> On GNU/Linux with the GNU C compiler `gcc` and either the GNU Fortran compiler `g77` or the Intel Fortran compiler for Linux `ifort`, freely available at <http://www.intel.com/software/products/>; on a Compaq Tru64 UNIX machine with `GCC` or the Compaq C compiler `CC`, and the Compaq Fortran compiler `f77`, `f90` or `f95`.

```
f90 -o example example.o -lmzlcfi -lmz1 -lgsl -lgslcblas -lm
```

As MZL uses the GNU Scientific Library, GSL must also be linked to the program.

The program `mz1-config` provides information on the local version of the library. For example, the following command shows that the library has been installed under the directory `/usr/local`,

```
bash$ mz1-config --prefix
/usr/local
```

The examples above could have been written,

```
f90 -c example.f90 'mz1-config --fflags'
f90 -o example example.o 'mz1-config --libs'
```

or, since there is here only one source file,

```
f90 -o example example.f90 'mz1-config --fflags --libs'
```

Please, note the backticks in the examples above.

Further information on `mz1-config` is available using the command `mz1-config --help`.

## 4.4 Shared Libraries

To run a program linked with the shared version of the library it may be necessary to define the shell variable `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` to include the directory where the library is installed. For example, in the Bourne shell (`/bin/sh` or `/bin/bash`), if the library has been installed in a `lib` directory of the user's home directory the library path can be set with the following commands:

```
LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$HOME/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH
./example
```

In the C-shell (`/bin/csh` or `/bin/tcsh`) the equivalent command is,

```
setenv LD_LIBRARY_PATH $HOME/lib:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH
```

To save retyping these commands each session they should be placed in an individual or system-wide login file.

To compile a statically linked version of the program, use the `-static` flag in `f90`,

```
f90 -o example -static example.o 'mz1-config --libs'
```

With another compiler, this option may exist under a different name, or not at all; in the latter case, if you insist on using statically linked executables, you should consider installing the static version of the library only (see option `--disable-shared` of `configure`).

## 5 Error handling

This chapter describes the way that MZL functions report and handle errors. By examining the status information returned by every function you can determine whether it succeeded or failed, and if it failed the cause of failure will always be printed on your screen (more precisely, on the device attached to the standard error channel; this usually defaults to the screen).

### 5.1 Error Reporting in C

Functions that allocate memory return the `NULL` pointer to indicate an error, a valid pointer value otherwise. Functions that compute a `double` value return `HUGE_VAL` to indicate an error<sup>1</sup>; two utility functions, `mzl_is_valid` and `mzl_is_invalid`, are provided to check whether their argument is different from or equal to `HUGE_VAL`, respectively. Functions whose return type is `int` return 0 to indicate an error, a non-zero integer value otherwise. In case of an error, a message explaining the cause thereof is systematically printed on `stderr`.

The routines report an error whenever they cannot perform the task requested of them, and the MZL error handler is invoked. Situations like this are a normal occurrence when using any mathematical library and you should check the return status of the functions that you call.

Normally, before using MZL, you should install the MZL error handler by calling the function,

<code>void <b>mzl_init</b> (void)</code>	Function
<p>This function installs the MZL error handler after having safely saved the GSL error handler active at the time of the call. This GSL error handler can be reinstalled with function <code>mzl_cleanup</code>.</p>	

If the MZL error handler has not been installed, the GSL error handler active at the time of the first call to an MZL function will be invoked. If this error handler is the default GSL error handler, a message will be printed and the program will abort, possibly with a coredump. If the MZL error handler has been installed, its invocation results in an error message being printed, yet without interruption of the program flow; it is therefore up to you to check for the return status of the function and to make the appropriate decision, thus

```
int status;

mzl_init();

status = mzl_state_create_from_file ("foo.dat");
if (status)
{ /* an error occurred */
```

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<sup>1</sup> Returning a NaN value on error was first considered, then abandoned due to the lack of a uniform default behaviour of the C and Fortran compilers as to the way a floating-point NaN is handled; namely, as to whether traps are generated or not when a NaN is encountered.



```

        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    ...

    mzl_cleanup();

```

Assuming that the file ‘foo.dat’ doesn’t exist or can’t be opened for reading, the following message will be printed,

```

mzl: ERROR: can't open datafile [read_file()]
(generic failure)
mzl: ERROR: error reading datafile [mzl_state_create_from_file()]
(generic failure)

```

and the program is stopped, since after checking the return status we called function `exit`; otherwise, the program would keep executing, possibly spitting out but rubbish. The names in brackets in the error messages indicate which MZL function detected the error.

If we had not installed MZL error handler, i.e., if we had omitted the call to `mzl_init`, GSL error handler would have been invoked; assuming the GSL error handler which is active is the default one, the following message would have been printed,

```

gsl: state_file.c:122: ERROR: can't open datafile [read_file()]
Default GSL error handler invoked.
Aborted

```

and the program would have aborted (possibly with a coredump).

If your program is using the GSL, you might wish to re-install the GSL error handler after you are finished with MZL function calls; this is achieved through a call to the function

```

void mzl_cleanup (void) Function
    This function reinstalls the GSL error handler that was active just before the call to
    function mzl_init.

```

## 5.2 Error Reporting in Fortran

Functions that “create” or “allocate” objects in memory<sup>2</sup> return a negative integer value (actually, -1) to indicate an error, a positive integer value otherwise. Functions whose name ends in `_compute` return 0 to indicate an error, 1 otherwise. Functions that compute a `double precision` value return a physically meaningless double precision value to indicate an error; two utility functions, `mzl_is_valid` and `mzl_is_invalid`, are provided to check whether a double precision value is physically meaningful or not. Function `cfi_state_term_number` returns 0 on error, a strictly positive integer value otherwise. In case of an error, a message explaining the cause thereof is systematically printed on the error device, usually the screen.

The functions report an error whenever they cannot perform the task requested of them, and the MZL error handler is invoked. Situations like this are a normal occurrence when using any mathematical library and you should check the return status of the functions that you call.

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<sup>2</sup> The memory allocation is actually done by underlying C functions.

Since you are calling MZL functions from Fortran, we assume that you are not using the GNU Scientific Library in your program, and no provisions are made to fiddle with the GSL error handler as explained in the previous section for C programmers. As a result, whenever a subroutine cannot perform the task requested of it, the MZL error handler prints a message, yet without interrupting the program flow; therefore, it is up to you to take the appropriate action (generally, to stop the program), thus

```
integer status

status = cfi_state_create_from_file("foo.dat")
if (status .lt. 0) ! an error occurred
  stop
end if
```

Assuming that the file ‘foo.dat’ doesn’t exist or can’t be opened for reading, the following message will be printed,

```
mzl: ERROR: can't open datafile [read_file()]
(generic failure)
mzl: ERROR: error reading datafile [mzl_state_create_from_file()]
(generic failure)
```

and the program is stopped, since after checking the return status we diverted the program flow towards the end; otherwise, the program would keep executing, possibly spitting out but rubbish. The names in brackets in the error messages indicate which MZL function detected the error.

## 6 C functions

The library functions are divided into three groups:

- State functions for creating and initializing an `mzl_state` object representing a quantum state from data passed as arguments or read from a file, and for destroying such an object.
- Zeeman functions for creating, initializing, and destroying an `mzl_zeeman` object that contains the Landé factors.
- Transition functions for creating and initializing an `mzl_polar` object that describes the Zeeman patterns of a quantum transition, and for destroying such an object.

The access to the data structures and functions below is made through the header `'mzl.h'`.

### 6.1 Data Types

A molecular state is defined by an `mzl_state` structure, which contains the following components: `Av` and `Bv`, the spin-orbit and rotational constants, respectively, for the vibrational level, `v`, considered; `gamma` the spin-rotation constant for  $\Sigma$  states; `lss` [short for `lambda` (spin-spin)], the spin-spin constant for  $^3\Sigma$  states only (see [Chapter 2 \[Scientific context\], page 4](#)); `spin`, the electronic spin,  $S$ ; `multiplicity`, the spin multiplicity,  $2S + 1$ ; `sigma`, a table of the spin projections,  $\Sigma$ , onto the intranuclear axis (recall that the size of this table is given by `multiplicity`); `lambda`, the absolute value of the projection,  $\Lambda$ , of the orbital momentum onto the intranuclear axis; `omega`, a table of the values of  $\Omega = \Lambda + \Sigma$ ; `omega_size`, the size of this table; `name`, an arbitrary string used to denote the quantum state (e.g., `2Pi_u` to denote a  $^2\Pi_u$  state).

The array `sigma` contains the following values:  $S, \dots, -S$ .

The array `omega` contains the same values as array `sigma` in the same order if  $\Lambda = 0$ , and the following values (in this order):  $\Lambda, \Lambda + S - 1, \dots, \Lambda - S, -\Lambda + S, -\Lambda + S - 1, \dots, -\Lambda - S$ , if  $\Lambda \neq 0$ .

**mzl\_state**

Data type

```
typedef struct
{
    double Av;
    double Bv;
    double gamma;
    double lss;
    int multiplicity;
    double spin;
    double *sigma;
    int lambda;
    double *omega;
    int omega_size;
    char *name;
} mzl_state;
```

The constants `Av`, `Bv`, `gamma`, and `lss` are in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  units. (They correspond to the usual molecular constants  $A_v$ ,  $B_v$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$ , respectively).

Note that the molecular constants have to be provided by the user, who can find some useful information in Huber & Herzberg (see Section 2.3 [References], page 5) or on-line at <http://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/>.

The Landé factors of each component of a multiplet are stored in the `g` component of a `mzl_zeeman` structure. Such a structure has three other components: `size`, the number of Landé factors; `degeneracy`, a number which equals 1 or 2 according to whether  $\Lambda = 0$  or not.

### `mzl_zeeman`

Data type

```
typedef struct
{
    int size;
    int degeneracy;
    double *g;
    mzl_hamiltonian *hamiltonian;
} mzl_zeeman;
```

The last component, `hamiltonian`, is not public (i.e., is not meant to be accessed by the end user), and will therefore not be documented here.

The transitions between Zeeman sublevels of two multiplets are described by one `mzl_polar` object for each of the polarisations corresponding to  $\Delta M = -1, 0, 1$ . The components of an `mzl_polar` object are: `size`, the *allocated* space for each of the two following tables: `dnu`, the frequency shifts in  $\mu_B H$  units, where  $\mu_B$  is the Bohr magneton and  $H$  the magnetic field strength (in Gauss); and `Irel`, the corresponding relative intensities.

The useful space in the above tables, i.e. the entries corresponding to allowed transitions, is comprised between the indices `begin` and `end`; more precisely, the useful space lies in the semi-open interval `[begin, end[`. If, for some reason, the user needs to know the value of  $M$  in the initial state corresponding to entry  $k$  such that `begin`  $\leq k <$  `end`, this is given by  $M = J_i - (\text{begin} - k)$  (where  $J_i$  is the value of the angular momentum in the initial state).

### `mzl_polar`

Data type

```
typedef struct
{
    int size;
    int begin;
    int end;
    double *dnu;
    double *Irel;
} mzl_polar;
```

## 6.2 State Functions

**mzl\_state \* mzl\_state\_create** (double *Av*, double *Bv*, double *gamma*, double *lss*, int *mult*, int *lamdba*, const char \**name*) Function

This function allocates an `mzl_state` structure, initializing it with the values passed as arguments. If the structure cannot be allocated then the MZL error handler, if it has been installed (see [Section 5.1 \[Error Reporting in C\], page 14](#)), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the call is invoked, and a NULL pointer is returned.

**mzl\_state \* mzl\_state\_create\_from\_file** (const char \**filename*) Function

This function allocates an `mzl_state` structure, initializing it with the values from the file *filename*; the file is closed after it has been read. If the file cannot be opened or the structure cannot be allocated then the MZL error handler, if it has been installed (see [Section 5.1 \[Error Reporting in C\], page 14](#)), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the call is invoked, and a NULL pointer is returned.

The data file *filename* must conform to the following structure,

### Structure of a datafile

Data file

```
# NH 3Sigma state (v = 0)
Av = 0          # spin-orbit
Bv = 16.33     # rotation
gamma=-0.04    # spin-rotation
lss =0.45      # lambda (spin-spin)
Mult = 3       # Multiplicity
    Lambda = 0 # Projection of electronic angular momentum
Name = "NH 3Sigma state (v = 0)"
```

The data may be entered in any line order. The part of a line from the ‘#’ sign up to its end is a comment. White space is ignored, except within double quotes. Empty lines as well as blank lines are ignored. The case of the characters in the symbols at the left of the equal sign is *not* significant. There may be no more than one specification per line. Only the lines for specifying the constants `Av`, `Bv`, `Mult`, and `Lambda` are mandatory. If `gamma` and `lss` are left unspecified then they will be ascribed the value 0.0. If `Name` is left unspecified then a generic name will be derived from the values of `Mult` and `Lambda` (e.g., ‘2Pi’ if `Mult` = 2 and `Lambda` = 1). As states with  $\Lambda > 3$  rarely occur, the generic name in such cases would be ‘unknown name’. Should a constant be mistakenly defined several times in the data file, this results in no error as long as the constant is ascribed the same value; if the value differs, the MZL error handler is invoked, and NULL pointer is returned. Should the name of the state be mistakenly defined several times in the data file, the last value will be retained. The name of a state is neither checked nor used, it is there for information purposes only.

**void mzl\_state\_destroy** (mzl\_state \**state*) Function

This function releases the memory previously allocated for an `mzl_state` object.

**int mzl\_state\_term\_number** (const mzl\_state \**state*, double *omega*) Function

This auxiliary function returns the energy term number corresponding to a state *state* with a value *omega* of  $\Omega = \Lambda + \Sigma$  (see Herzberg, and Huber & Herzberg in

Section 2.3 [References], page 5 for a correspondance between a value of  $\omega$  and a term number). On success, the value returned is greater or equal to 1; otherwise, the MZL error handler, if it has been installed (see Section 5.1 [Error Reporting in C], page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the call is invoked, and -1 is returned.

### 6.3 Zeeman Functions

<code>mzl_zeeman * mzl_zeeman_alloc (const mzl_state *state)</code>	Function
<code>mzl_zeeman * mzl_zeeman_hund_a_alloc (const mzl_state *state)</code>	Function
<code>mzl_zeeman * mzl_zeeman_hund_b_alloc (const mzl_state *state)</code>	Function

These functions allocate space for an `mzl_zeeman` object that will be used to compute and hold the Landé factors of a state `state`. If the memory allocation fails, the MZL error handler, if installed (see Section 5.1 [Error Reporting in C], page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the function call is invoked, and a NULL pointer is returned. The first function is used for any state intermediate between Hund (a) and Hund (b) case, whereas the other two are specialized for cases Hund (a) and (b), respectively.

<code>int mzl_zeeman_compute (mzl_zeeman *z, double J)</code>	Function
<code>int mzl_zeeman_hund_a_compute (mzl_zeeman *z, double J)</code>	Function
<code>int mzl_zeeman_hund_b_compute (mzl_zeeman *z, double J)</code>	Function

These functions compute the Landé factors for the state that has been used to create the `mzl_zeeman` structure, for any value of the total angular momentum (exclusive of nuclear spin),  $J$ . If the computation fails, the MZL error handler, if installed (see Section 5.1 [Error Reporting in C], page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the function call is invoked, and the functions return 0; in case of success, they return 1. The first function is used for any state intermediate between Hund (a) and Hund (b) case, whereas the other two are specialized for cases Hund (a) and (b), respectively.

<code>void mzl_zeeman_free (mzl_zeeman *z)</code>	Function
<code>void mzl_zeeman_hund_a_free (mzl_zeeman *z)</code>	Function
<code>void mzl_zeeman_hund_b_free (mzl_zeeman *z)</code>	Function

These functions release the memory allocated for an `mzl_zeeman` object. Actually, the last two functions are mere aliases of the first function.

<code>double mzl_landé_of_term (const mzl_zeeman *z, int term)</code>	Function
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This auxiliary function returns the Landé factor corresponding to the energy term `term` of a multiplet. Should the term number indicated be incorrect (i.e., less than 1) or out of bounds, the MZL error handler, if installed (see Section 5.1 [Error Reporting in C], page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the function call is invoked, and the function returns the value `HUGE_VAL` (the utility function `mzl_is_invalid` tests if its argument is `HUGE_VAL` or not).

**double mzl\_zeeman\_eval** (const mzl\_zeeman \*z, int i) Function  
 This function returns the  $i$ -th eigenvalue of the Hamiltonian ( $0 \leq i < z \rightarrow \text{size}$ ). Should the index  $i$  be out of bound, or should the function be called for an `mzl_zeeman` structure corresponding to pure Hund (a) or (b) cases, the MZL error handler, if installed (see [Section 5.1 \[Error Reporting in C\]](#), page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the function call is invoked, and the function returns the value `HUGE_VAL` (the utility function `mzl_is_invalid` tests if its argument is `HUGE_VAL` or not).

**double \* mzl\_zeeman\_evec** (const mzl\_zeeman \*z, int i) Function  
 This function returns the  $i$ -th eigenvector of the Hamiltonian ( $0 \leq i < z \rightarrow \text{size}$ ) as a dynamically allocated array. Should this function be called for an `mzl_zeeman` structure corresponding to pure Hund (a) or (b) cases, or should the memory allocation fail, the MZL error handler, if installed (see [Section 5.1 \[Error Reporting in C\]](#), page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the function call is invoked, and the function returns the `NULL` pointer. It is of the responsibility of the user to free (using the standard C function `free`) the allocated memory space when it is no longer used.

## 6.4 Transition Functions

**mzl\_polar \* mzl\_polar\_create** (double  $J_f$ , double  $g_f$ , double  $J_i$ , Function  
 double  $g_i$ , int  $dm$ )  
 This function allocates and initializes an `mzl_polar` object for a transition of given  $dm$  between an initial state of total angular momentum  $J_i$  and Landé factor  $g_i$ , and a final state of total angular momentum  $J_f$  and Landé factor  $g_f$ .  $dm$  corresponds to  $\Delta M = M_f - M_i$  and is -1, 0, or 1 [ $M_f$  ( $M_i$ ) is the projection of  $J_f$  ( $J_i$ ) onto the intranuclear axis]. If the allocation fails, the MZL error handler, if installed (see [Section 5.1 \[Error Reporting in C\]](#), page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the function call is invoked, and the function returns a 'NULL' pointer. It should be noted that the size of the allocated tables `dnu` and `Irel` are too large by 2 units when  $J_f$  is less than  $J_i$ , which is of no consequence since the corresponding values of the relative intensities in table `Irel` are zero; recall that the useful entries in these tables are between indices `begin` and `end` (exclusive of the latter).

**void mzl\_polar\_destroy** (mzl\_polar \*p) Function  
 This function releases the memory previously allocated to an `mzl_polar` object.

**double mzl\_average\_freq\_shift** (const mzl\_polar \*p) Function  
 This function returns the average frequency shift, each frequency shift being weighted by its relative intensity, for a transition described by  $p$ . This function cannot fail.

**double mzl\_weighted\_sigmas\_separation** (const mzl\_polar Function  
 \* $\sigma_{plus}$ , const mzl\_polar \* $\sigma_{minus}$ )  
 This function returns the absolute value of the frequency separation, symbolically  $|\langle \sigma^+ \rangle - \langle \sigma^- \rangle|$ , of the weighted mean positions of the two  $\sigma$ -patterns ( $\Delta M = \pm 1$ ) in MHz/G. This function cannot fail.

`double mzl_effective_landé` (double *Ji*, double *gi*, double *gf*, int *dJ*) Function

This function returns the effective Landé factor as defined by Berdyugina and Solanki (see [Section 2.3 \[References\]](#), page 5). This function cannot fail.

`double mzl_zeeman_intensity` (double *J*, double *M*, int *dJ*, int *dM*) Function

This auxiliary function computes the relative intensity of a transition between Zeeman sublevels  $|JM\rangle$  and  $|J+dJ, M+dM\rangle$ . In case of failure, the MZL error handler, if installed (see [Section 5.1 \[Error Reporting in C\]](#), page 14), or the GSL error handler active at the time of the function call is invoked, and the function returns the value 'HUGE\_VAL' (the utility function `mzl_is_invalid` tests if its argument is HUGE\_VAL or not).

## 6.5 Utility Function

`int mzl_is_invalid` (double *val*) Function

This utility function returns 1 if its argument is HUGE\_VAL, which considered here an invalid double value, 0 otherwise. This function cannot fail.

`int mzl_is_valid` (double *val*) Function

This utility function returns 1 if its argument is not equal to HUGE\_VAL, 0 otherwise. This function is the converse of the previous function. This function cannot fail.



## 7 C-Fortran interface

The following functions are part of the library ‘`libmzlcfi.a`’, the C-Fortran interface to the MZL library. They are the counterparts of the C functions presented in the preceding section; actually, they are wrappers of these functions. The dynamically created objects are referred in the Fortran code by integers, in much the same way as the IO logical units. As these objects are actually allocated as C structures, the read access to the members of these structures is provided by a number of auxiliary functions and subroutines<sup>1</sup>.

In order to avoid possible name clashes, all functions and subroutines of the C-Fortran interface are prefixed by `cfi_`.

The Fortran functions are divided into three groups:

- State functions for creating and initializing an `mz1_state` object, representing a quantum state, from data passed as arguments or read from a file, and for destroying such an object.
- Zeeman functions for creating, initializing, and destroying an `mz1_zeeman` object that contains the Landé factors.
- Transition functions for creating and initializing an `mz1_polar` object that describes the Zeeman patterns of a quantum transition, and for destroying such an object.

The access to the functions below is made through the header ‘`mz1.inc`’.

The user should keep in mind that these functions and subroutines are just interface procedures written in C and not in Fortran, and that their description, below, as pseudo-Fortran 90 prototypes is just meant to ease their use. These objects are not meant to be manipulated directly from Fortran.

### 7.1 Data Types

A molecular state is defined by a `mz1_state` structure, which contains the following components: `Av` and `Bv`, the spin-orbit and rotational constants, respectively, for the vibrational level, `v`, considered; `gamma` the spin-rotation constant for  $\Sigma$  states; `lss` [short for `lambda` (spin-spin)], the spin-spin constant for  $^3\Sigma$  states only (see [Chapter 2 \[Scientific context\]](#), [page 4](#)); `spin`, the electronic spin, `S`; `multiplicity`, the spin multiplicity,  $2S + 1$ ; `sigma`, a table of the spin projections,  $\Sigma$  onto the intranuclear axis (recall that the size of this table is `multiplicity`); `lambda`, the absolute value of the projection,  $\Lambda$ , of the orbital momentum onto the intranuclear axis; `omega`, a table of the values of  $\Omega = \Lambda + \Sigma$ ; `omega_size`, the size of this table; `name`, an arbitrary string used to denote the quantum state (e.g., `2Pi_u` to denote a  $^2\Pi_u$  state).

The array `sigma` contains the following values:  $S, \dots, -S$ .

The array `omega` contains the same values as array `sigma` in the same order if  $\Lambda = 0$ , and the following values (in this order):  $\Lambda, \Lambda + S - 1, \dots, \Lambda - S, -\Lambda + S, -\Lambda + S - 1, \dots, -\Lambda - S$ , if  $\Lambda \neq 0$ .

An `mz1_state` object can be viewed as the following pseudo-Fortran 90 derived type:

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<sup>1</sup> No write access is provided, as this has no meaning in the present implementation.

**mzl\_state**

Data type

```

TYPE mzl_state
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: Av
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: Bv
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: gamma
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: lss
  INTEGER :: multiplicity
  DOUBLE PRECISION :: spin
  DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(...) :: sigma
  INTEGER :: lambda
  DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(...) :: omega
  INTEGER :: omega_size
  STRING :: name
END TYPE mzl_state

```

where the ellipsis are just to indicate that the size of the two arrays—as well as the length of the character string—is dynamically adjusted when the object is created (recall: by a call to a C function resorting to dynamical memory allocation).

The constants *Av*, *Bv*, *gamma*, and *lss* are in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  units. (They correspond to the usual molecular constants  $A_v$ ,  $B_v$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$ , respectively).

Note that the molecular constants have to be provided by the user, who can find some useful information in Huber & Herzberg (see [Section 2.3 \[References\]](#), page 5) or on-line at <http://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/>.

The Landé factors of each component of a multiplet are stored in the *g* component of a *mzl\_zeeman* object. Such an object has three other components: *size*, the number of Landé factors; *degeneracy*, a number which equals 1 or 2 according to whether  $\Lambda = 0$  or not.

An *mzl\_zeeman* object can be viewed as the following pseudo-Fortran 90 derived type:

**mzl\_zeeman**

Data type

```

TYPE mzl_zeeman
  INTEGER :: size
  INTEGER :: degeneracy
  DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(...) :: g
  TYPE(mzl_hamiltonian) :: hamiltonian
END TYPE mzl_zeeman

```

where the ellipsis are just to indicate that the size of the array is dynamically adjusted when the object is created (recall: by a call to a C function resorting to dynamical memory allocation).

The last component, *hamiltonian*, is not public (i.e., is not meant to be accessed by the end user), and is therefore not to be documented here.

The transitions between Zeeman sublevels of two multiplets are described by one *mzl\_polar* object for each of the polarisations corresponding to  $\Delta M = -1, 0, 1$ . The components of an *mzl\_polar* object are: *size*, the size of the *allocated* space for each the two following

tables: `dnu`, the frequency shifts in  $\mu_B H$  units, where  $\mu_B$  is the Bohr magneton and  $H$  the magnetic field strength (in Gauss); and `Irel`, the corresponding relative intensities.

The useful space in the above tables, i.e. the entries corresponding to allowed transitions, is comprised between the indices `begin` and `end`; more precisely, the useful space lies in the interval `[begin,end]`. If, for some reason, the user needs to know the value of  $M$  in the initial state corresponding to entry  $k$  such that `begin`  $\leq k \leq$  `end`, this is given by  $M = J_i - (\text{begin} - k)$  (where  $J_i$  is the value of the angular momentum in the initial state).

An `mzl_polar` object can be viewed as the following pseudo-Fortran 90 derived type:

## `mzl_polar`

Data type

```

TYPE mzl_polar
  INTEGER :: size
  INTEGER :: begin
  INTEGER :: end
  DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(...) :: dnu
  DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(...) :: Irel
END TYPE mzl_polar

```

where the ellipsis are just to indicate that the size of the arrays are dynamically adjusted when the object is created (recall: by a call to a C function resorting to dynamical memory allocation).

## 7.2 State Functions

`INTEGER cfi_state_create (av, bv, gamma, lss, mult, lambda, name)`

Function

```

DOUBLE PRECISION, INTENT(IN) :: av, bv, gamma, lss
INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: mult, lambda
STRING, INTENT(IN) :: name

```

This function allocates an `mzl_state` object, initializing it with the values passed in arguments. If the object cannot be allocated then the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\], page 15](#)) is invoked, and -1 is returned.

`INTEGER cfi_state_create_from_file (filename)`

Function

```

STRING, INTENT(IN) :: filename

```

This function allocates an `mzl_state` object, initializing it with the values from the file `filename`; the file is closed after it has been read. If the file cannot be opened or the object cannot be allocated then the MZL error handler is invoked, and -1 is returned.

The data file `filename` must conform to the following structure,

### Structure of a datafile

Data file

```

# NH 3Sigma state (v = 0)

```

```

Av = 0          # spin-orbit
Bv = 16.33     # rotation
gamma=-0.04    # spin-rotation
lss =0.45      # lambda (spin-spin)
Mult = 3       # Multiplicity
    Lambda = 0 # Projection of electronic angular momentum
Name = "NH 3Sigma state (v = 0)"

```

The data may be entered in any line order. The part of a line from the ‘#’ sign up to its end is a comment. White space is ignored, except within double quotes. Empty lines as well as blank lines are ignored. The case of the characters in the symbols at the left of the equal sign is *not* significant. There may not be more than one specification per line. Only the lines for specifying the constants `Av`, `Bv`, `Mult`, and `Lambda` are mandatory. If `gamma` and `lss` are left unspecified then they will be ascribed the value 0.0. If `Name` is left unspecified then a generic name will be derived from the values of `Mult` and `Lambda` (e.g., ‘2Pi’ if `Mult` = 2 and `Lambda` = 1). As states with  $\Lambda > 3$  rarely occur, the generic name in such cases would be ‘unknown name’. Should a constant be mistakenly defined several times in the data file, this results in no error as long as the constant is ascribed the same value; if the value differs, then the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\], page 15](#)) is invoked, and -1 is returned. Should the name of the state be mistakenly defined several times in the data file, the last value will be retained. The name of a state is neither checked nor used, it is there for information purposes only.

**cfi\_state\_destroy** (*state*) Subroutine  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*

This function releases the memory previously allocated for an `mzl_state` object.

The following auxiliary functions provide read access to the members of an `mzl_state` object. Each of these functions checks its argument, which must correspond to a valid value returned by `cfi_state_create` or `cfi_state_create_from_file`; if the argument *state* is invalid then a message is printed and the program is exited.

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_state\_Av** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*

This function returns the value of component `Av` of state *state*.

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_state\_Bv** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*

This function returns the value of component `Bv` of state *state*.

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_state\_gamma** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*

This function returns the value of component `gamma` of state *state*.

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_state\_lss** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*

This function returns the value of component `lss` of state *state*.

- DOUBLE PRECISION cfi\_state\_spin** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*  
 This function returns the value of component **spin** of state *state*.
- INTEGER cfi\_state\_multiplicity** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*  
 This function returns the value of component **multiplicity** of state *state*.
- INTEGER cfi\_state\_lambda** (*state*) Function  
*state*: INTEGER  
 This function returns the value of component **lambda** of state *state*.
- INTEGER cfi\_state\_omega\_size** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*  
 This function returns the size of array **omega** of state *state*.
- INTEGER cfi\_state\_term\_number** (*state*, *omega*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*  
 double precision, INTENT(IN) :: *omega*  
 This auxiliary function returns the energy term number corresponding to a state *state* with a value *omega* of  $\Omega = \Lambda + \Sigma$  (see Herzberg, and Huber & Herzberg in [Section 2.3 \[References\]](#), page 5 for a correspondance between a value of *omega* and a term number). On success, the value returned is greater or equal to 1; otherwise, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\]](#), page 15) is invoked, and -1 is returned.
- cfi\_state\_name** (*state*, *name*) Subroutine  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*  
 STRING, INTENT(OUT) :: *name*  
 This function returns the value of the component **name** of the state *state* as a string of characters (whose length is predefined to be 80).
- INTEGER cfi\_state\_name\_length** (*state*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*  
 This function returns the length of the character string storing the component **name** of *state*.
- cfi\_state\_sigma** (*state*, *sg*) Subroutine  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*  
 DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(:), INTENT(OUT) :: *sg*  
 This subroutine copies the values of the **sigma** array of state *state* to array *sg* (whose dimension must have been correctly defined before the call to the subroutine).

**cfi\_state\_omega** (*state*, *om*) Subroutine

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*

DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(:), INTENT(OUT) :: *om*

This subroutine copies the values of the **omega** array of state *state* to array *om* (whose dimension must have been correctly defined before the call to the subroutine).

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_omega\_val** (*state*, *i*) Function

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*, *i*

This function returns the *i*-th value of the **omega** array of state *state*. *i* is a Fortran index, i.e., 1-based. If *i* is less than 1 or out of bounds, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\], page 15](#)) is invoked, and a physically meaningless value is returned (the utility function `cfi_is_invalid` tests if its argument is physically meaningless).

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_sigma\_val** (*state*, *i*) Function

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*, *i*

This function returns the *i*-th value of the **sigma** array of state *state*. *i* is a Fortran index, i.e., 1-based. If *i* is less than 1 or out of bounds, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\], page 15](#)) is invoked, and a physically meaningless value is returned (the utility function `cfi_is_invalid` tests if its argument is physically meaningless).

### 7.3 Zeeman Functions

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_alloc** (*state*) Function

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_hund\_a\_alloc** (*state*) Function

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_hund\_b\_alloc** (*state*) Function

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *state*

These functions allocate space for an `mz1_zeeman` object that will be used to compute and hold the Landé factors of a state *state*. If the memory allocation fails, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\], page 15](#)) is invoked, and -1 is returned. The first function is used for any state intermediate between Hund (a) and Hund (b) case, whereas the other two are specialized for cases Hund (a) and (b), respectively.

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_compute** (*z*, *J*) Function

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_hund\_a\_compute** (*z*, *J*) Function

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_hund\_b\_compute** (*z*, *J*) Function

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *z*

DOUBLE PRECISION, INTENT(IN) :: *J*

These functions compute the Landé factors for the state that has been used to create the `mz1_zeeman` object, for any value of the total angular momentum (exclusive of nuclear spin), *J*. If the computation fails, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\], page 15](#)) is invoked, and the functions return 0; in case

of success, they return 1. The first function is used for any state intermediate between Hund (a) and Hund (b) case, whereas the other two are specialized for cases Hund (a) and (b), respectively.

**cfi\_zeeman\_free** (*z*) Subroutine  
**cfi\_zeeman\_hund\_a\_free** (*z*) Subroutine  
**cfi\_zeeman\_hund\_b\_free** (*z*) Subroutine  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *z*

These functions release the memory allocated for an `mz1_zeeman` object, *z*. Actually, the last two functions are mere aliases of the first function.

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_landé\_of\_term** (*z*, *term*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *z*, *term*

This auxiliary function returns the Landé factor corresponding to the energy term *term* of the multiplet to which the `mz1_zeeman` object *z* corresponds. Should the term number indicated be incorrect (i.e., less than 1) or out of bounds, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\], page 15](#)) is invoked, and the function returns a physically meaningless value (the utility function `cfi_is_invalid` tests if its argument is physically meaningless).

The following auxiliary functions provide read access to the public members of an `mz1_zeeman` object. Each of these functions checks its argument, which must correspond to a valid value returned by `cfi_zeeman_alloc`, `cfi_zeeman_hund_a_alloc` or `cfi_zeeman_hund_b_alloc`; if the argument *z* is invalid then a message is printed and the program is exited.

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_size** (*z*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *z*

This function returns the value of component `size` of the `mz1_zeeman` object *z*.

INTEGER **cfi\_zeeman\_degeneracy** (*z*) Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *z*

This function returns the value of component `degeneracy` of the `mz1_zeeman` object *z*.

**cfi\_zeeman\_landé** (*z*, *landé*) Subroutine  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *z*

DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(:), INTENT(OUT) :: *landé*

This subroutine copies the elements of `g` array to indicated array *landé*, whose pre-declared dimension must be large enough to accommodate as many values as given by the member `size` of the `mz1_zeeman` object *z*.

## 7.4 Transition Functions

**INTEGER cfi\_polar\_create** (*Jf, gf, Ji, gi, dm*) Function

DOUBLE PRECISION, INTENT(IN) :: *Jf, gf, Ji, gi*

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *dm*

This function allocates and initializes an `mzl_polar` object for a transition of given *dm* between an initial state of total angular momentum *Ji* and Landé factor *gi*, and a final state of total angular momentum *Jf* and Landé factor *gf*. *dm* corresponds to  $\Delta M = M_f - M_i$  and is -1, 0, or 1 ( $M_f$  ( $M_i$ ) is the projection of  $J_f$  ( $J_i$ ) onto the intranuclear axis. If the allocation fails, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\]](#), page 15) is invoked, and the function returns a '-1'. (It should be noted that the size of the allocated tables `dnu` and `Irel` are too large by 2 units when *Jf* is less than *Ji*, which is of no consequence since the corresponding values of the relative intensities in table `Irel` are zero.)

**cfi\_polar\_destroy** (*p*) Subroutine

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *p*

This function releases the memory previously allocated to an `mzl_polar` object, *p*.

**DOUBLE PRECISION cfi\_average\_freq\_shift** (*p*) Function

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *p*

This function returns the average frequency shift, each frequency shift being weighted by its relative intensity, corresponding to the `mzl_polar` object *p*. This function cannot fail (except if its argument *p* is invalid, in which case an error message is printed and the program is exited).

**DOUBLE PRECISION cfi\_weighted\_sigmas\_separation** (*sigma\_plus,* Function  
*sigma\_minus*)

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *sigma\_plus, sigma\_minus*

This function returns the absolute value of the frequency separation (in MHz/G), symbolically  $|\langle \sigma^+ \rangle - \langle \sigma^- \rangle|$ , of the weighted mean positions of the two  $\sigma$ -patterns ( $\Delta M = \pm 1$ ) described by the `mzl_polar` objects *sigma\_plus* and *sigma\_minus*. This function cannot fail.

**DOUBLE PRECISION cfi\_effective\_landé** (*Ji, gi, gf, dJ*) Function

DOUBLE PRECISION, INTENT(IN) :: *Ji, gi, gf*

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *dJ*

This function returns the effective Landé factor as defined by Berdyugina and Solanki (see [Section 2.3 \[References\]](#), page 5). This function cannot fail.

**DOUBLE PRECISION cfi\_zeeman\_intensity** (*J, M, dJ, dM*) Function

DOUBLE PRECISION, INTENT(IN) :: *J, M*

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *dJ, dM*



This auxiliary function computes the relative intensity of a transition between Zeeman sublevels  $|JM\rangle$  and  $|J+dJ, M+dM\rangle$ . In case of failure, the MZL error handler (see Section 5.2 [Error Reporting in Fortran], page 15) is invoked, and the function returns a physically meaningless value (the utility function `cfi_is_invalid` tests if its argument is physically meaningless).

The following auxiliary functions provide read access to the members of an `mzl_polar` object. Each of these functions checks its argument, which must correspond to a valid value returned by `cfi_polar_create`; if the argument  $p$  is invalid then a message is printed and the program is exited.

**INTEGER `cfi_polar_size` ( $p$ )** Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) ::  $p$

This function returns the size of the two arrays, `dnu` and `Irel`, members of an `mzl_polar` object.

**INTEGER `cfi_polar_begin` ( $p$ )** Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) ::  $p$

This function returns the Fortran (i.e., 1-based) index of the first useful entry in the two arrays, `dnu` and `Irel`, members of an `mzl_polar` object.

**INTEGER `cfi_polar_end` ( $p$ )** Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) ::  $p$

This function returns the Fortran (i.e., 1-based) index of the last useful entry in the two arrays, `dnu` and `Irel`, members of an `mzl_polar` object.

**`cfi_polar_dnu` ( $p$ ,  $delta\_nu$ )** Subroutine  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) ::  $p$

DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(:), INTENT(OUT) ::  $delta\_nu$

This subroutine copies the values of the `dnu` array of the `mzl_polar` object  $p$  to array  $delta\_nu$  (whose dimension must have been correctly defined before the call to the subroutine). If the angular momentum is lower in the final state than in the initial state of the molecular transition, this array has two unused entries, and the useful entries are those whose index is between `begin` and `end`, inclusive.

**DOUBLE PRECISION `cfi_polar_dnu_val` ( $p$ ,  $i$ )** Function  
 INTEGER, INTENT(IN) ::  $p$ ,  $i$

This function returns the  $i$ -th value of the `dnu` array of transition  $p$ .  $i$  is a Fortran index, i.e., 1-based, and must be comprised in `begin` and `end`, inclusive. In case of failure, the MZL error handler (see Section 5.2 [Error Reporting in Fortran], page 15) is invoked, and the function returns a physically meaningless value (the utility function `cfi_is_invalid` tests if its argument is physically meaningless).

**cfi\_polar\_Irel** (*p*, *Ir*) Subroutine

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *p*

DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(:), INTENT(OUT) :: *Ir*

This subroutine copies the values of the `Irel` array of the `mzl_polar` object *p* to array *Ir* (whose dimension must have been correctly defined before the call to the subroutine). If the angular momentum is lower in the final state than in the initial state of the molecular transition, this array has two unused entries, and the useful entries are those whose index is between `begin` and `end` inclusive.

DOUBLE PRECISION **cfi\_polar\_Irel\_val** (*p*, *i*) Function

INTEGER, INTENT(IN) :: *p*, *i*

This function returns the *i*-th value of the `Irel` array of transition *p*. *i* is a Fortran index, i.e., 1-based, and must be comprised in `begin` and `end`, inclusive. In case of failure, the MZL error handler (see [Section 5.2 \[Error Reporting in Fortran\]](#), page 15) is invoked, and the function returns a physically meaningless value (the utility function `cfi_is_invalid` tests if its argument is physically meaningless).

## 7.5 Utility Functions

As some functions of the C-Fortran interface which return a double precision number return a physically meaningless value in case of an error, two utility functions `cfi_is_invalid` and `cfi_is_valid` are provided for testing if their argument is physically meaningless or not, respectively.

INTEGER **cfi\_is\_invalid** (*x*) Function

DOUBLE PRECISION, INTENT(IN) :: *x*

This function returns 1 if *x* is physically meaningless, 0 otherwise.

INTEGER **cfi\_is\_valid** (*x*) Function

DOUBLE PRECISION, INTENT(IN) :: *x*

This function returns 1 if *x* is not physically meaningless, 0 otherwise. This function is the converse of the previous one.

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