

Basics-6

Electronic Spectroscopy

Born–Oppenheimer Approximation

Molecules are collections of electrons and nuclei:

$$H\psi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) = E\psi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R})$$

$$H = T_e(\dot{\mathbf{r}}) + T_n(\dot{\mathbf{R}}) + V_{en}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) + V_{ee}(\mathbf{r}) + V_{nn}(\mathbf{R})$$

$$H_e = T_e(\dot{\mathbf{r}}) + V_{en}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) + V_{ee}(\mathbf{r})$$

... Nuclei move so slowly compared to electrons, so electrons adjust instantaneously to any nuclear motion.

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) = \psi_e(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})\psi_n(\mathbf{R})$$

Electronic S – eqn : $H_e\psi_e(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) = E_e(\mathbf{R})\psi_e(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$

$$H_n\psi_n(\mathbf{R}) = (T_n + V_{nn}(\mathbf{R}) + E_e(\mathbf{R}))\psi_n(\mathbf{R}) = E_n\psi_n(\mathbf{R})$$

$$\therefore E_{tot} = E_e + E_n; \quad \psi_{tot} = \psi_{el}\psi_{nuc} \quad "|\mathcal{E}\mathbf{v}>"$$

* Electronic Schrödinger equation of many electron molecules

$$\hat{H}_{el} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \sum_i \nabla_i^2 - \sum_{i,A} \frac{Z_A e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{Ai}} + \sum_{A>B} \frac{Z_A Z_B e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{AB}} + \sum_{i>j} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}}$$

-Approximate Solutions of $\hat{H}_{el}\psi_{el} = E_{el}\psi_{el}$:

molecular orbital (i.e. one electron wavefunction)

$$\phi_i = \sum_j \sum_A C_{ij} \phi_j^A \quad (LCAO) \leftarrow \phi_j^A : \text{atomic orbital}$$

total electronic wavefunction $\psi_{el} = \psi_{orbital} \psi_{spin}$

"antisymmetric wrt exchange \rightarrow Slater determinant"

$$\psi_{el} = |\phi_1(1)\bar{\phi}_1(1)....| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1(1) & \bar{\phi}_2(1) & \phi_3(1) & \bar{\phi}_4(1)..... \\ \phi_1(2) & \bar{\phi}_2(2) & \phi_3(2) & \bar{\phi}_4(2)..... \\ & & & \\ \phi_1(N) & \bar{\phi}_2(N) & \phi_3(N) & \bar{\phi}_4(N)..... \end{vmatrix}$$

Hartree – Fock approximation for closed shell molecules

Fock operator \hat{f} "one-electron hamiltonian"

$$\hat{f} = \hat{h} + \sum_j \{2J_j - K_j\}$$

$$\leftarrow \hat{h} = -\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 - \sum_{\alpha} \frac{Z_{\alpha}}{r_{i\alpha}}; J_j = \text{"coulomb operator"}; K_j = \text{"exchange operator"}$$

molecular orbital $\phi = \sum_v c_v b_v$ "LCAO"

$$\hat{f}\phi = \varepsilon\phi \rightarrow \sum_v \hat{f}b_v c_v = \varepsilon \sum_v b_v c_v \rightarrow \sum_v (f_{\mu\nu} - \varepsilon S_{\mu\nu}) c_v = 0$$

$$\dots \rightarrow |f - \varepsilon S| = 0, f_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} + 2J_{\mu\nu} - K_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\leftarrow h_{\mu\nu} = \langle b_{\mu} | -\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 - \sum_{\alpha} \frac{Z_{\alpha}}{r_{i\alpha}} | b_{\nu} \rangle, J_{\mu\nu} = \sum_j \sum_{\sigma\lambda} \langle b_{\mu}(1) b_{\sigma}(2) | \frac{1}{r_{12}} | b_{\nu}(1) b_{\lambda}(2) \rangle c_{j\lambda} c_{j\sigma}$$

$$K_{\mu\nu} = \sum_j \sum_{\sigma\lambda} \langle b_{\mu}(1) b_{\sigma}(2) | \frac{1}{r_{12}} | b_{\lambda}(1) b_{\nu}(2) \rangle c_{j\lambda} c_{j\sigma}$$

"solve iteratively and self-consistently using variational principle"

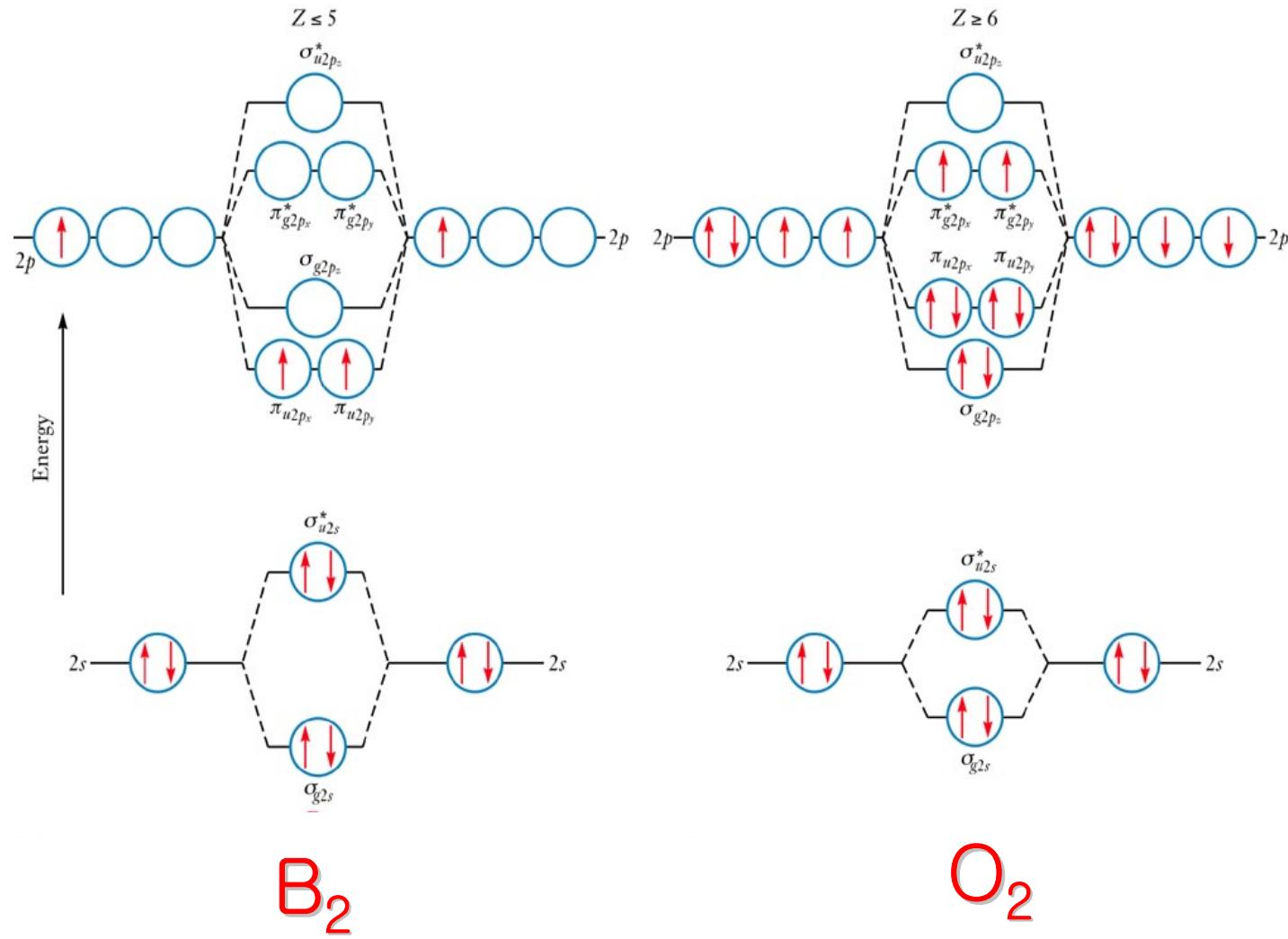
first guess orbital coefficients $c_{j\lambda}, c_{j\sigma}$, etc

\rightarrow solve Fock matrix \rightarrow new coefficients $\rightarrow \dots$ until convergence

"Ab initio methods"

Spectra of Diatomic Molecules

– molecular orbital diagram (Oxtoby)



- Symbols of molecular orbitals (diatomic case: $C_{\infty v}$, $D_{\infty h}$)

$$\hat{l}_z \phi = m_l \hbar \phi$$

“types of molecular orbital”

$$\lambda = |m_l| = 0(\sigma), 1(\pi), 2(\delta), \dots l$$

$$l = 0 \quad s \rightarrow |m_l| = 0(\sigma)$$

$$l = 1 \quad p \rightarrow |m_l| = 0(\sigma), 1(\pi)$$

$$l = 2 \quad d \rightarrow |m_l| = 0(\sigma), 1(\pi), 2(\delta)$$

- Ground state total electronic configuration (O_2 case):

$$(\sigma_{1g})^2 (\sigma_{1u}^*)^2 \dots (\pi_g^*)^2$$

*only unpaired electrons
characterize electronic states*

- Total electronic state (use character table):

$$\pi_g \otimes \pi_g = \Sigma_g^+ \oplus [\Sigma_g^-] \oplus \Delta_g$$

symmetric *antisymmetric wrt inversion (E^* n LFC)*
on electronic wavefunction
(σ_v in MFC)

- Pauli principle:

$\psi_{el}\psi_{spin}$: *antisymmetric by electron exchange (fermion)*
($C_2(y)$ in MFC)

Σ_g^+, Δ_g : *symmetric ψ_{el}*

\rightarrow *antisymmetric $\psi_{spin}(S=0)$* : $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\alpha\beta - \beta\alpha)$

Σ_g^- : *antisymmetric ψ_{el}*

\rightarrow *symmetric $\psi_{spin}(S=1)$* : $\alpha\alpha, \beta\beta, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\alpha\beta + \beta\alpha)$

\therefore (*O₂ case*) ${}^1\Sigma_g^+, {}^1\Delta_g, {}^3\Sigma_g^-$ *lowest in energy*

– Angular momentum coupling:

Electron: orbital AM (L)

spin AM (S)

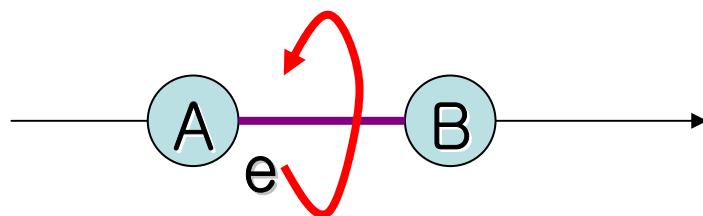
Nuclei: rotational AM (R)

spin AM (I)

vibrational AM (V)

$$\rightarrow \text{Total AM } J = L + S + R + I + V$$

Important coupling !

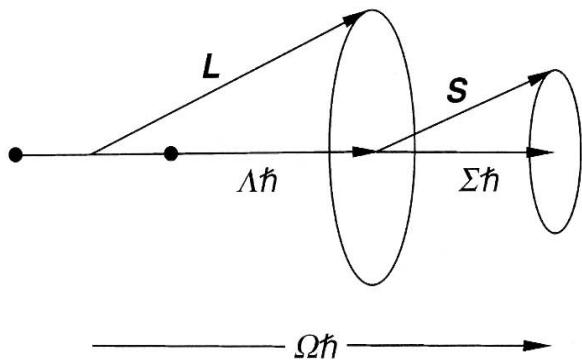


*“cylindrical symmetry
along molecular axis”
cf. spherical symmetry for atoms*

electron motions couple to bond axis
by electric field of nuclei → generate magnetic fields
→ spin (S)-orbit (L) coupling occur

Hund's case (a): weak spin-orbit coupling

e.g. molecules w/ light atoms



L, S couple to bond axis
→ “precession” occurs
→ L : not good quantum number
∴ projection QN: Λ, Σ = good QN
 $\Lambda = 0, 1, 2, \dots; \Sigma = S, S-1, \dots -S$
total electron AM $\Omega = |\Lambda + \Sigma|$
total AM $J = \Omega + R$ (rotation)

$$|\mathbf{n}\Lambda S \Sigma\rangle |v\rangle |\Omega JM_J\rangle$$

“Molecular term symbol”

$$\boxed{2S+1 \Lambda_{\Omega}}$$

$$\leftrightarrow {}^{2S+1}L_J(\text{atom})$$

$$\Lambda = 0 (\Sigma), 1 (\Pi), 2 (\Delta), 3 (\Phi), 4 (\Gamma), \dots$$

“Energy splittings”

$$\Delta E = A \Sigma \Lambda$$

A: positive (normal) → lower Ω : lower energy
A: negative (inverted) → higher Ω : lower energy

Hund's case (b): medium spin-orbit coupling

“Only L couples to bond axis \rightarrow only Λ defined”

$$N = \Lambda + R(\text{rotation})$$

$$\text{total AM } J = N + S(\text{spin})$$

$$2S+1 \Lambda$$

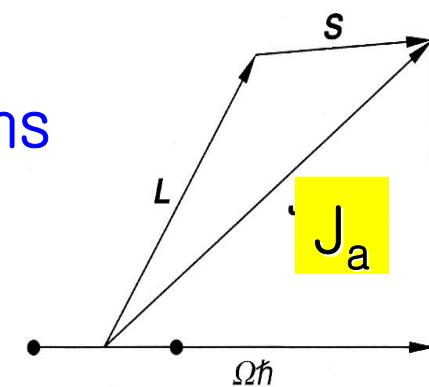
Hund's case (c): strong spin-orbit coupling

e.g. molecules w/ heavy atoms

“L, S strongly couple: $J_a = L + S$ ”

$\rightarrow J_a$ couple to bond axis: Ω

\rightarrow total AM $J = \Omega + R$ (rotation)



$$2S+1 J_\Omega$$

- Symmetry of energy levels: Parity

$$[\hat{H}, \hat{O}_s] = 0 \rightarrow \hat{H}\psi_{\pm} = E_{\pm}\psi_{\pm}, \hat{O}_s\psi_{\pm} = \pm\psi_{\pm}$$

Total parity (+/-): symmetry wrt inversion (E^*) in lab coordinate

$$\hat{E}^*\psi(X_i, Y_i, Z_i) = \psi(-X_i, -Y_i, -Z_i) = \pm\psi(X_i, Y_i, Z_i)$$

$$(Hougen) \hat{E}^*(lab) = \hat{\sigma}_v(mol)$$

$$e.g. \hat{E}^* \mu(\text{dipole moment}) = -\mu$$

\therefore dipole transition : + \leftrightarrow -

$$cf. \hat{\sigma}_v \psi_{\text{orbital}} = \pm\psi_{\text{orbital}} : \Sigma^{\pm} (\text{not total parity})$$

Rotationless parity (e/f):

$$\psi = \psi_{el}\psi_{vib}\psi_{rot}, \hat{E}^*\psi_{vib} = \psi_{vib}; \hat{E}^*\psi_{rot} = (-1)^J \psi_{rot}$$

$$e: \hat{E}^*\psi = +(-1)^J \psi; f: \hat{E}^*\psi = -(-1)^J \psi$$

gerade/ungerade (*g/u*) parity: symmetry wrt inversion
in MFC

“only for homonuclear diatomics and
electronic orbital wavefunctions”

$$\hat{i}\psi_{el}(x_i, y_i, z_i) = \psi_{el}(-x_i, -y_i, -z_i) = \pm\psi_{el}(x_i, y_i, z_i)$$

+ *gerade* / - *ungerade*
(electric dipole transition) $g \leftrightarrow u$

s/a parity : symmetry wrt permutation in LFC

“only for molecules w/ identical nuclei”

$$\hat{P}_{12}(\psi\psi_{nspin}) = \pm\psi\psi_{nspin} (+: \text{boson} / -: \text{fermion})$$

$$\hat{P}_{12}(lab) = \hat{\sigma}_v \hat{i}(mol) = \hat{C}_2(y) (mol)$$

$$s: \hat{P}_{12}\psi = +\psi; a: \hat{P}_{12}\psi = -\psi$$

- Electronic selection rules:

$$\Delta\Lambda = 0, \pm 1 \text{ (e.g. } \Sigma \leftrightarrow \Sigma, \Pi \leftrightarrow \Sigma, \Delta \leftrightarrow \Pi \dots)$$

$$\Delta S = 0, \quad \Delta\Omega = 0$$

$$\Delta\Omega = 0, \pm 1$$

Parity: total parity $+ \leftrightarrow -$; $g \leftrightarrow u$

$$\Sigma^+ \leftrightarrow \Sigma^+, \Sigma^- \leftrightarrow \Sigma^- \text{ (}\because \mu_z : \Sigma_u^+\text{)}$$

- Labeling of electronic states:

(Diatomics) ground state: X (e.g. $X \ ^3\Sigma_g^-$)

excited states w/ same spins as GS: A, B, C, \dots

(e.g. $A \ ^3\Sigma_u^+$, $B \ ^3\Sigma_u^-$, ...)

excited states w/ different spins as GS: a, b, c, \dots

(e.g. $a \ ^1\Delta_g$, $b \ ^1\Sigma_g^+$, ...)

(Polyatomics): $\tilde{X}, \tilde{A}, \tilde{B}, \dots, \tilde{a}, \tilde{b}, \dots$

* Vibrational structures in electronic spectra

- Potential energy curves: C_2 case

GSEC: $(\sigma_g 1s)^2 (\sigma_u^* 1s)^2 (\sigma_g 2s)^2 (\sigma_u^* 2s)^2 (\pi_u 2p)^4$ "closed" $X^1\Sigma_g^+$

ESEC: ... $(\pi_u 2p)^3 (\sigma_g 2p)^1$; $A^1\Pi_u, a^3\Pi_u$

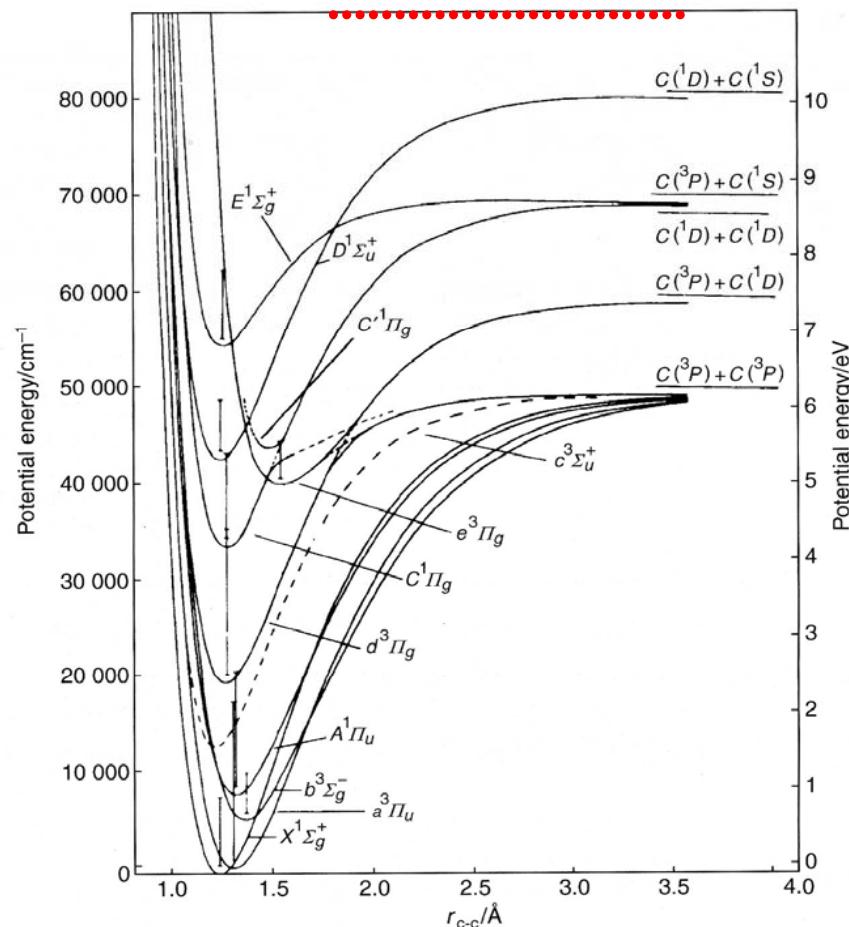
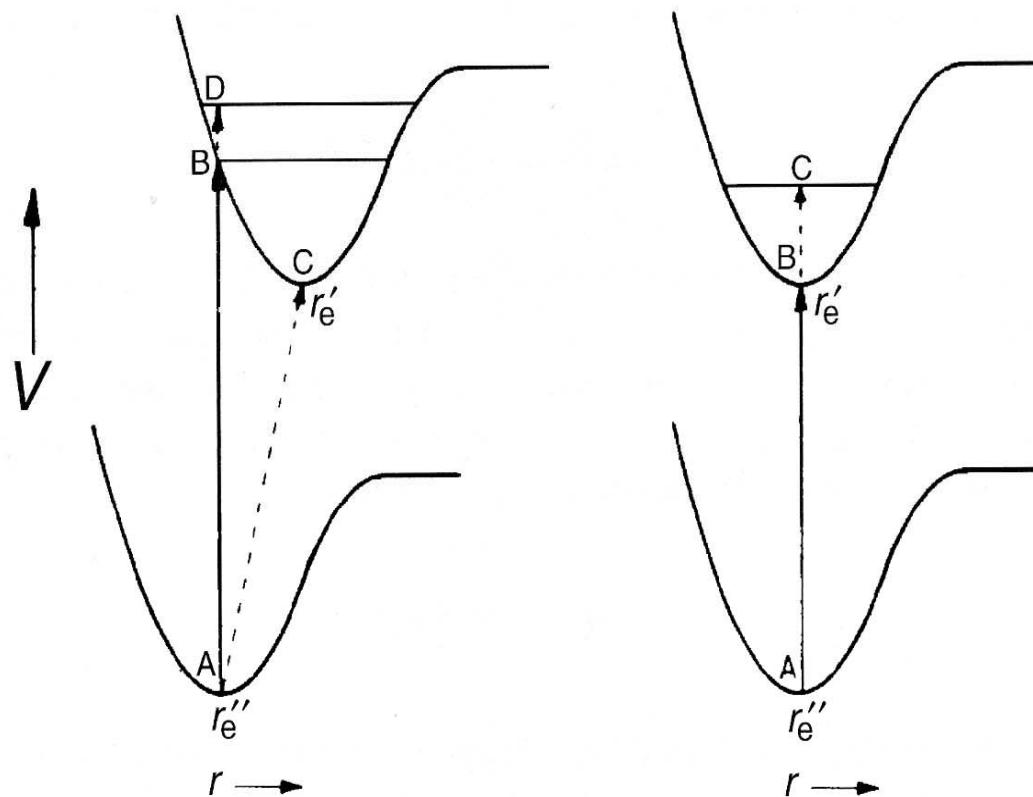


Table 7.6 Electronic transitions observed in C_2

Transition	Names associated	Special region/nm	Source of spectrum
$b^3\Sigma_g^- \rightarrow a^3\Pi_u$	Ballik-Ramsay	2700–1100	King furnace
$A^1\Pi_g \rightleftharpoons X^1\Sigma_g^+$	Phillips	1549–672	Discharges
$d^3\Pi_g \rightleftharpoons a^3\Pi_u$	Swan	785–340	Numerous, including carbon arc
$C^1\Pi_g \rightarrow A^1\Pi_u$	Deslandres-d'Azambuja	411–339	Discharges, flames
$e^3\Pi_g \rightarrow a^3\Pi_u$	Fox-Herzberg	329–237	Discharges
$D^1\Sigma_u^+ \rightleftharpoons X^1\Sigma_g^+$	Mulliken	242–231	Discharges, flames
$E^1\Sigma_g^+ \rightarrow A^1\Pi_u$	Freymark	222–207	Discharge in acetylene
$f^3\Sigma_g^- \leftarrow a^3\Pi_u$	—	143–137	Flash photolysis of mixture of a hydrocarbon and an inert gas
$g^3A_g \leftarrow a^3\Pi_u$	—	140–137	}
$F^1\Pi_u \leftarrow X^1\Sigma_g^+$	—	135–131	

– Franck–Condon principle:

“...electronic transition occurs within a stationary nuclear framework \leftrightarrow vertical transition in PES picture”



A–B transition is dominant!

Transition dipole moment ($|\varepsilon'v'\rangle \leftarrow |\varepsilon''v''\rangle$)

BO approxi : $|\varepsilon v\rangle = \psi_\varepsilon(r; R)\psi_v(R)$

$$\therefore M_{\varepsilon'v', \varepsilon''v''} = \langle \varepsilon'v' | \mu | \varepsilon''v'' \rangle \leftarrow \mu = -e \sum_i r_i + e \sum_A Z_A R_A = \mu_e + \mu_N$$

$$= \int \int_{r \in R} \psi_{\varepsilon'}^*(r; R) \psi_{v'}(R) \{ \mu_e + \mu_N \} \psi_{\varepsilon''}(r; R) \psi_{v''}(R) dr dR$$

$$= \int_R \psi_{v'}^*(R) \left\{ \int_r \psi_{\varepsilon'}^*(r; R) \mu_e \psi_{\varepsilon''}(r; R) dr \right\} \psi_{v''}(R) dR$$

$$+ \int_R \psi_{v'}^*(R) \mu_N \left\{ \int_r \psi_{\varepsilon'}^*(r; R) \psi_{\varepsilon''}(r; R) dr \right\} \psi_{v''}(R) dR$$

$$= \langle v' | M_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon''}(R) | v'' \rangle + \langle v' | \mu_N | v'' \rangle \delta_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon''}$$

Pure vibrational transitions

if $M_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon''}(R) \approx M_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon''}(R_{eq})$,

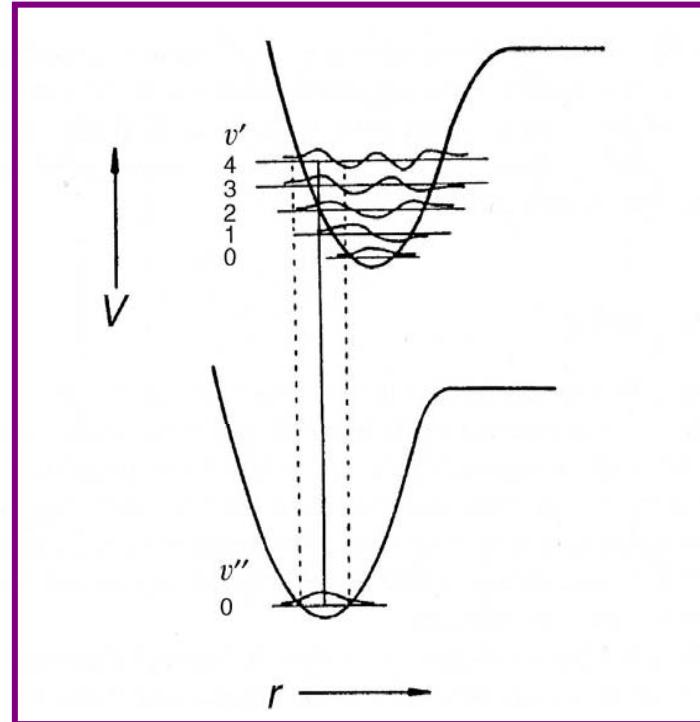
$$\therefore M_{\varepsilon'v', \varepsilon''v''} = M_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon''}(R_{eq}) \langle v' | v'' \rangle$$

$$= M_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon''}(R_{eq}) S(v', v'') \leftarrow S : \text{overlap integral}$$

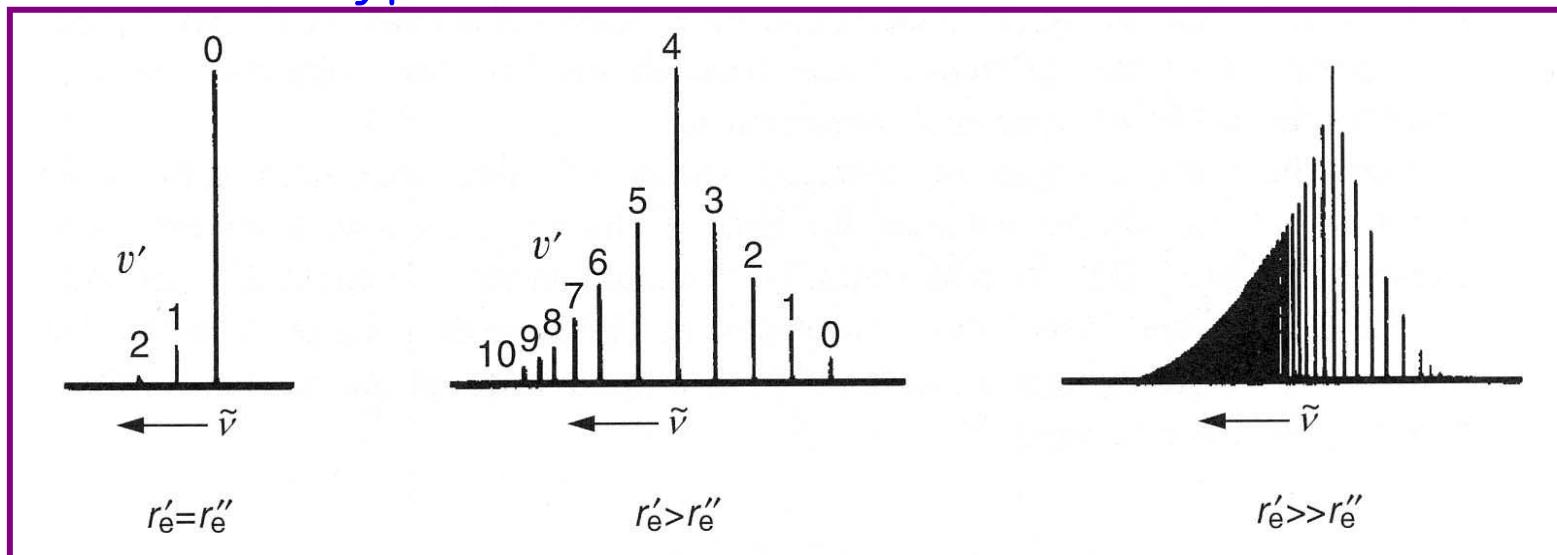
$$\text{Intensity } I_{\varepsilon'v', \varepsilon''v''} \propto |M_{\varepsilon'v', \varepsilon''v''}|^2 = |M_{\varepsilon'\varepsilon''}(R_{eq})|^2 |S(v', v'')|^2$$

Franck-Condon factor

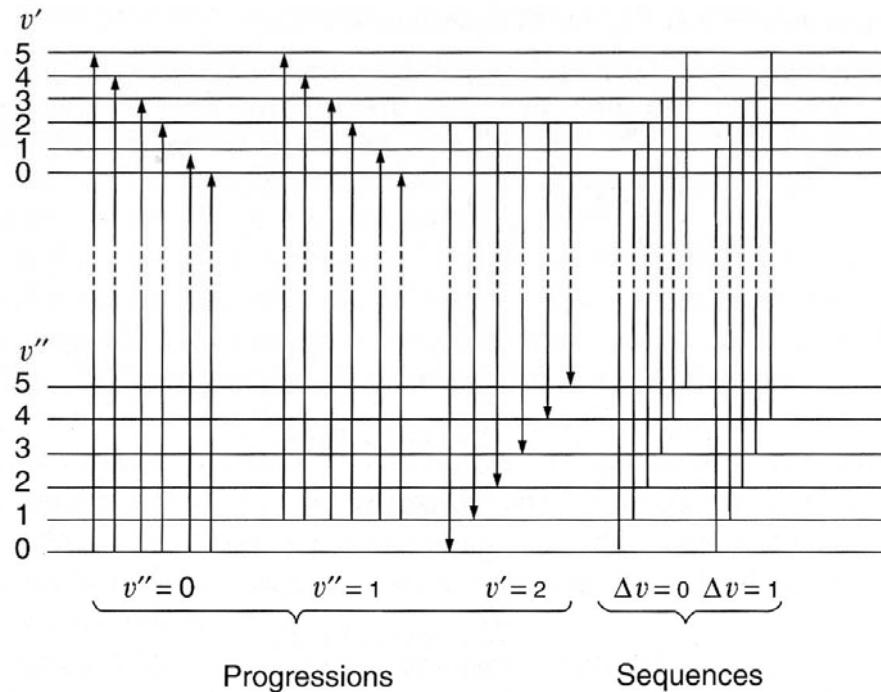
Example of Vibronic transitions



Typical Vibrational Structures



- Vibrational progressions: $\Delta v = \pm(\text{any integers})$



$$\frac{N_{v''}}{N_0} = e^{-(E_{v''} - E_0)/kT}$$

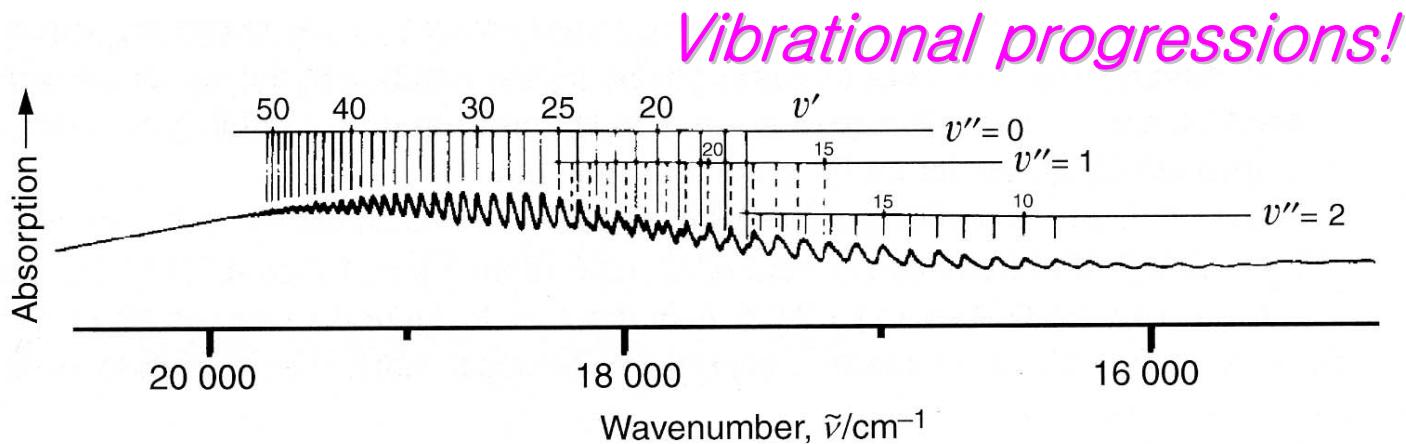


Figure 7.19 Progressions with $v'' = 0, 1$ and 2 in the $B^3\Pi_{0_u^+} - X^1\Sigma_g^+$ system of I_2

– Deslandres table:

Table 7.7 Deslandres table for the $A^1\Pi - X^1\Sigma^+$ system of carbon monoxide^a

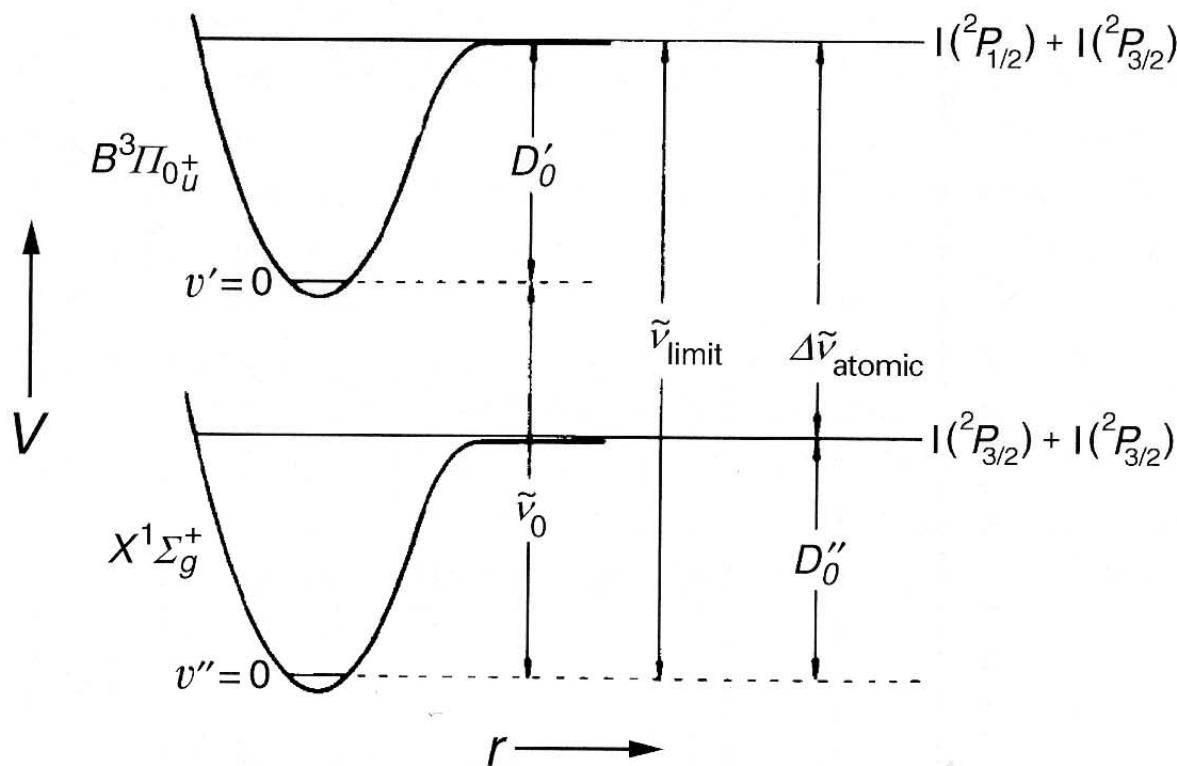
v'	v''	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	64 758 (1476)	62 613 (2145)	(2117)	60 496 (2092)	58 404 (2063)	56 341 (1487)	(2037)	54 304 (1487)
1	66 234 (1448)	64 098 (2136)	— (1441)	—	59 891 (1444)	57 827 (2064)	55 791 (2036) (1443)	53 781 (2010) (1443)
2	67 682 (1407)	65 539 (2143)	(2115)	63 424 (2089)	61 335	—	57 234 (2010)	55 224 (1410)
3	69 089 (1378)	66 952 (2137)	(2114)	64 838 (1370)	—	60 683 (2039) (1379)	58 644	—
4	70 467 (1341)	68 334 (2133)	(2126)	66 208 (2085)	64 123 (1343)	62 062	—	58 011 (1340)
5	71 808 (1307)	69 672 (2136)	(2114)	67 558 (1303)	65 466 (1299)	—	61 365 (2014) (1307)	59 351 —
6	73 115	(2138)	70 977 (2116)	68 861 (2096)	66 765 (2053)	64 712 (2040)	62 672	—

^a Units are cm^{-1} throughout. Measurements are of band heads, formed by the rotational structure, not band origins. Figures in parentheses are differences; variations in differences (e.g. between the first two columns) are a result of uncertainties in experimental measurements.

*Vibrational spacing
in excited electronic state*

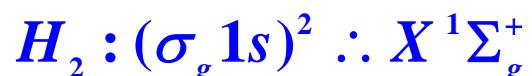
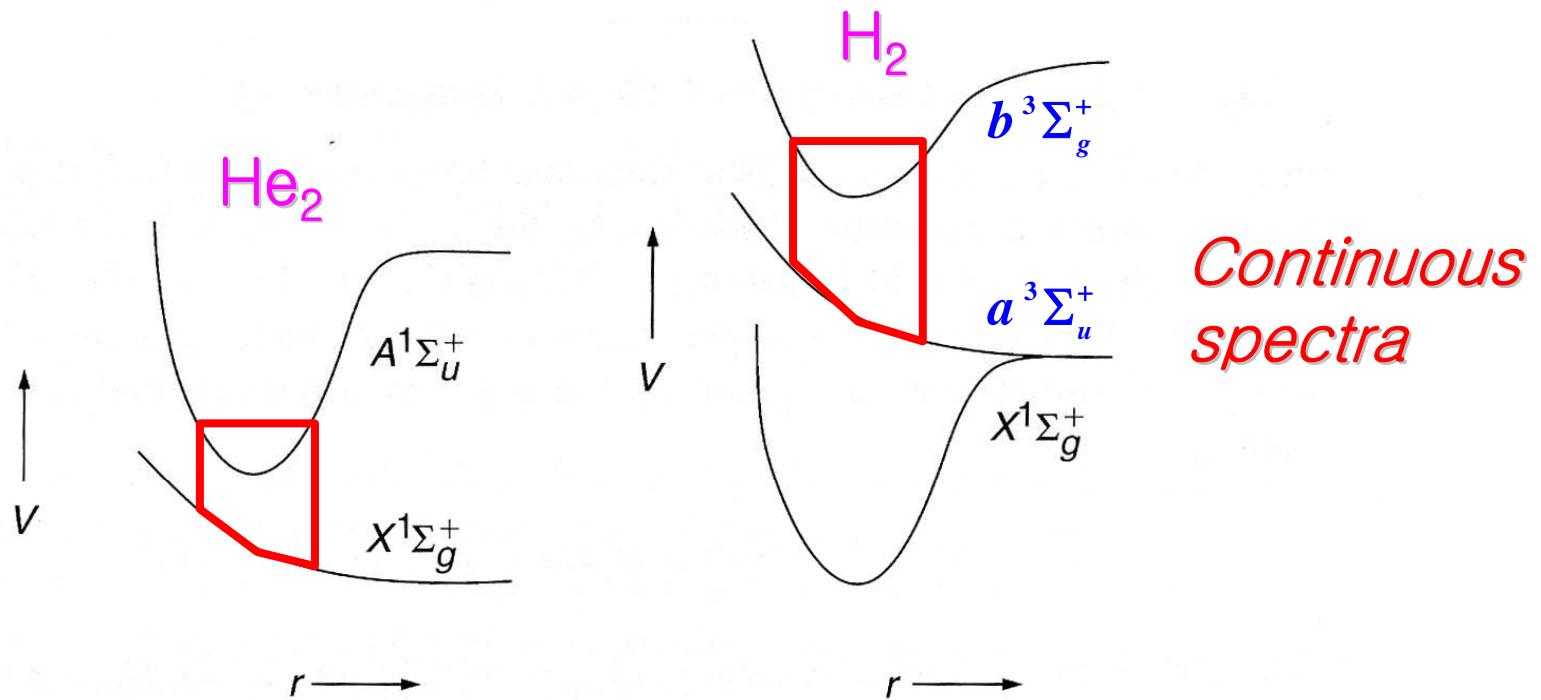
*Vibrational spacing
in ground electronic state*

- Determination of dissociation energies:
use of Birge–Sponer extrapolation



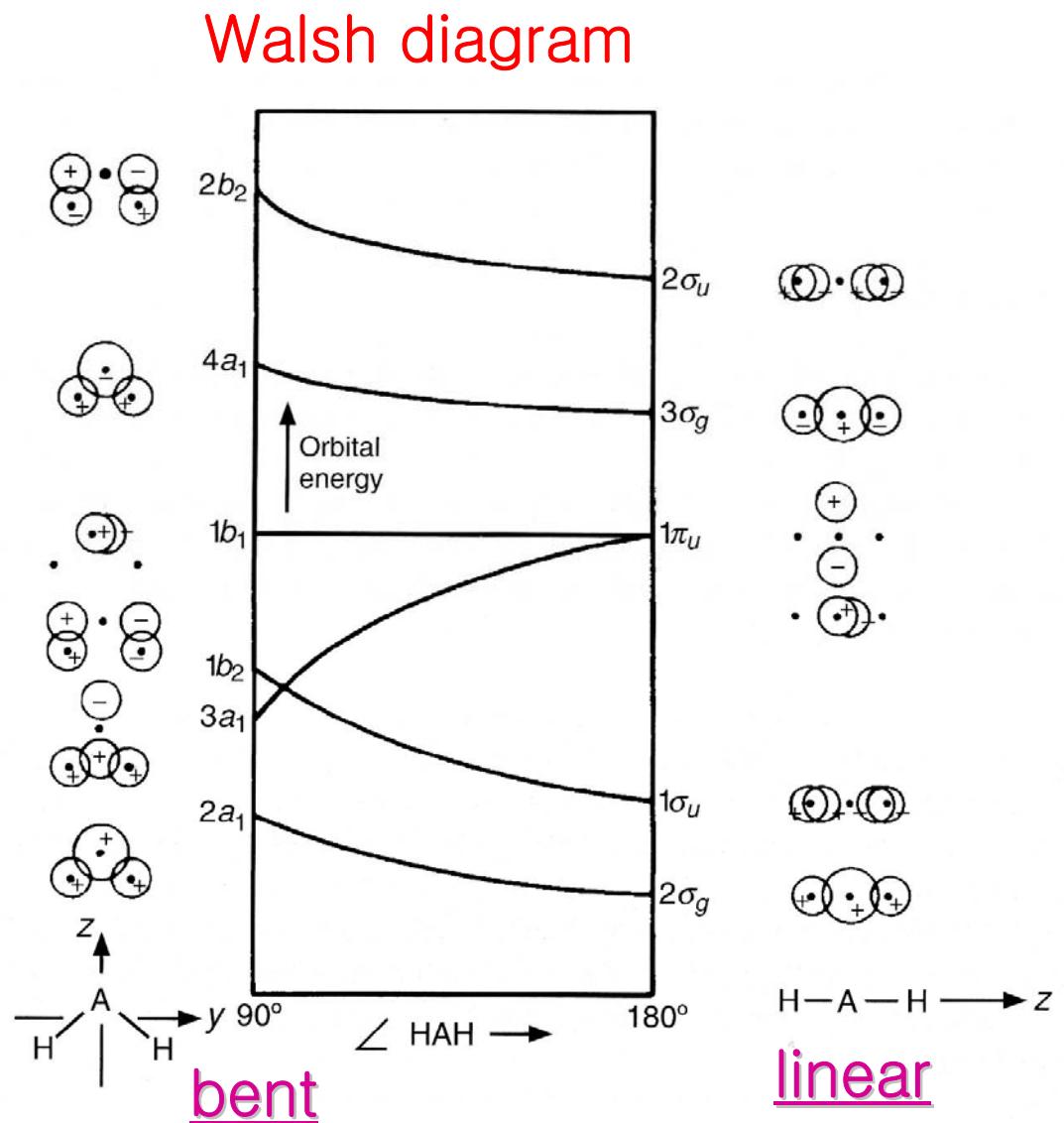
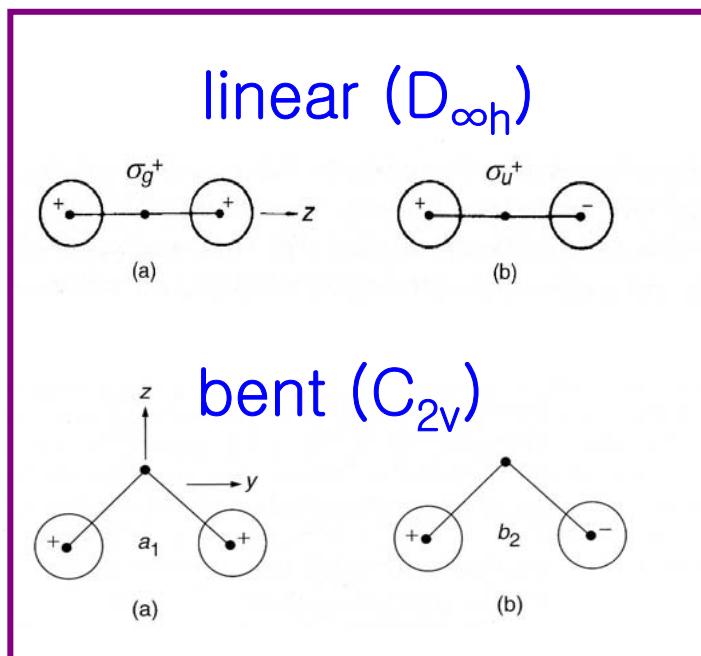
$$\tilde{\nu}_{limit} = D'_0 + \tilde{\nu}_0 = D''_0 + \Delta \tilde{\nu}_{atomic}$$

- Repulsive states and continuous spectra:



Spectra of Polyatomic Molecules

* Triatomic molecules AH₂ : 1s + (2s, 2p_x, 2p_y, 2p_z) + 1s



Labelling of Polyatomics: \tilde{X} , \tilde{A} , \tilde{B}, \dots , \tilde{a} , \tilde{b}, \dots

e.g. \tilde{X}^1A_1 , \tilde{a}^3B_1, \dots

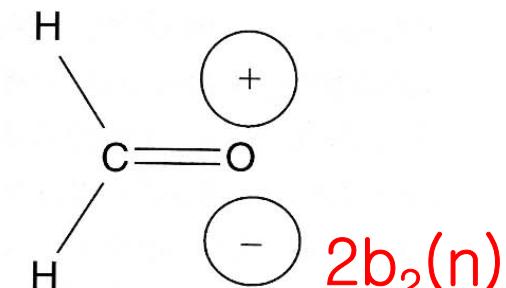
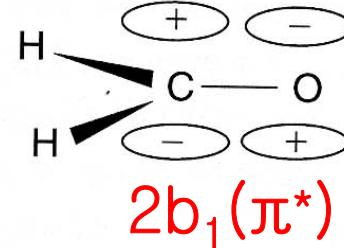
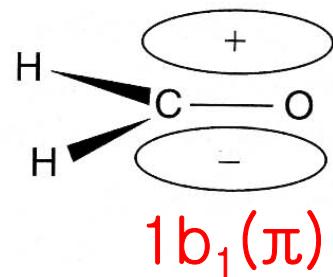
Table 7.8 Ground and excited configurations of some AH_2 molecules

Molecule	Configuration	State	$\angle HAH$
LiH ₂ ^a	$(1\sigma_g)^2(2\sigma_g)^2(1\sigma_u)^1$	$\tilde{X}^2\Sigma_u^+$	180°(?)
	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(3a_1)^1$	\tilde{A}^2A_1	< 180°(?)
BeH ₂ ^a	$(1\sigma_g)^2(2\sigma_g)^2(1\sigma_u)^2$	$\tilde{X}^1\Sigma_g^+$	180°(?)
	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^1(3a_1)^1$	$\begin{cases} \tilde{a}^3B_2 \\ \tilde{A}^1B_2 \end{cases}$	$\begin{matrix} < 180^\circ(?) \\ < 180^\circ(?) \end{matrix}$
BH ₂	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^2(3a_1)^1$	\tilde{X}^2A_1	131°
	$(1\sigma_g)^2(2\sigma_g)^2(1\sigma_u)^2(1\pi_u)^1$	$\tilde{A}^2\Pi_u$	180°
CH ₂	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^2(3a_1)^2$	\tilde{a}^1A_1	102.4°
	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^2(3a_1)^1(1b_1)^1$	$\begin{cases} \tilde{X}^3B_1 \\ \tilde{b}^1B_1 \end{cases}$	$\begin{matrix} 134^\circ \\ 140^\circ \end{matrix}$
NH ₂ (H ₂ O ⁺)	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^2(3a_1)^2(1b_1)^1$	\tilde{X}^2B_1	103.4° (110.5°)
	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^2(3a_1)^1(1b_1)^2$	\tilde{A}^2A_1	144° (180°)
H ₂ O	$(1a_1)^2(2a_1)^2(1b_2)^2(3a_1)^2(1b_1)^2$	\tilde{X}^1A_1	104.5°

^a The question marks indicate uncertainty, as the molecule is an unknown species.

* H₂CO case:

“12 valence electrons, three σ-bonds, 1π-bond”



ground state : $\tilde{X}^1A_1 \leftarrow \dots (1b_1)^2 (2b_2)^2$

excited state : $\tilde{A}^1A_2, \tilde{a}^3A_2 \leftarrow \dots (1b_1)^2 (2b_2)^1 (2b_1)^1$

$\tilde{A} - \tilde{X}$ transition : n – to – π^ transition*

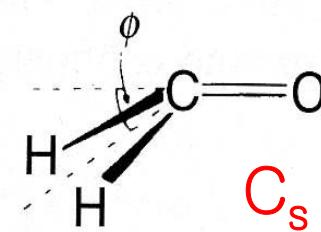
(weak transition ∵ forbidden by symmetry)

; blue – shifted by hydrogen bonding

$(2b_1)^1 \pi^*$ electron favor bent geometry :

\tilde{A} state : $\phi = 38^\circ$

\tilde{a} state : $\phi = 43^\circ$



* Conjugated molecules:

– Hückel MO theory:

$\hat{H}_{el} = \hat{H}_\sigma + \hat{H}_\pi, \psi_{el} = \psi_\sigma \psi_\pi \leftarrow \text{assume } \sigma - \pi \text{ separability}$
for π -electrons only

$\hat{H}_\pi = \sum_{k=1}^n \hat{H}^{eff}(k) \leftarrow \text{one-electron picture}$

$\hat{H}^{eff} \phi = E\phi, \phi_i = \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} \chi_j \leftarrow \chi_j : p_z\text{-orbital on atom } j$

$\sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} \hat{H}^{eff} \chi_j - \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} E \chi_j = 0 \rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} \langle \chi_i | \hat{H}^{eff} | \chi_j \rangle - \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} E \langle \chi_i | \chi_j \rangle = 0$

$\sum_{j=1}^n \{ \langle \chi_i | \hat{H}^{eff} | \chi_j \rangle - E \langle \chi_i | \chi_j \rangle \} C_{ij} = 0 \rightarrow \therefore \sum_{j=1}^n \{ \hat{H}_{ij}^{eff} - ES_{ij} \} C_{ij} = 0$

(matrix form) $(\hat{H}_{\tilde{z}}^{eff} - \tilde{E}\tilde{S})\tilde{C} = 0 \rightarrow \text{secular determinant: } |\hat{H}_{\tilde{z}}^{eff} - \tilde{E}\tilde{S}| = 0$

(Hückel theory) $\hat{H}_{ii}^{eff} = \alpha$ (Coulomb integral), $S_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$

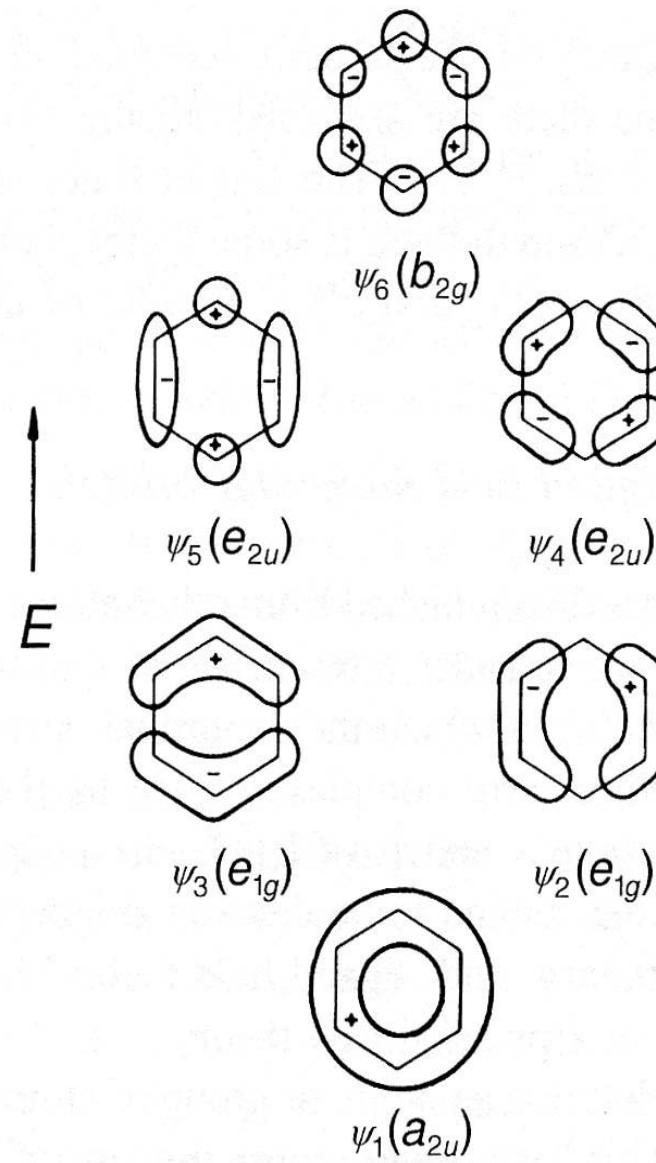
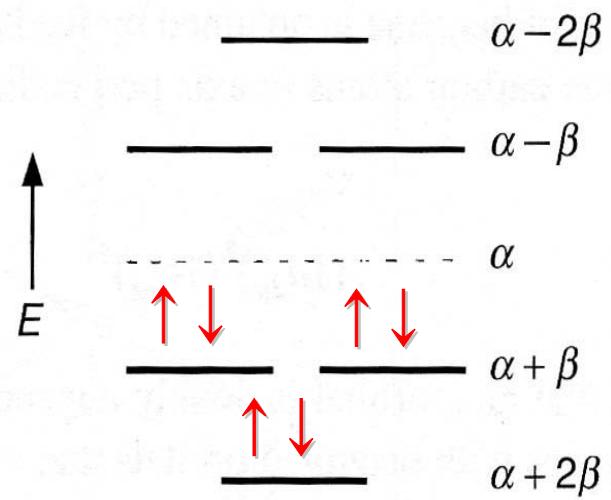
$\hat{H}_{ij}^{eff} = \beta(\text{adjacent}) \text{ or } 0(\text{others})$ (resonance integral)

Benzene Case:

$$|\hat{H} - ES| = \begin{vmatrix} \alpha - E & \beta & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha - E & \beta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta & \alpha - E & \beta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta & \alpha - E & \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta & \alpha - E & \beta \\ \beta & 0 & 0 & 0 & \beta & \alpha - E \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\therefore E = \alpha \pm \beta, \alpha \pm \beta, \alpha \pm 2\beta$$

Eigenfunctions : Use SALC(symmetry – adapted linear combination) of $6p_z$ orbitals



Hückel molecular orbitals in benzene

GSEC : ...($1a_{2u}$)²($1e_{1g}$)⁴; \tilde{X}^1A_{1g}

ESEC : ...($1a_{2u}$)²($1e_{1g}$)³($1e_{2u}$)¹; $e_{1g} \otimes e_{2u} = b_{1u} \oplus b_{2u} \oplus e_{1u}$

$\therefore \tilde{A}^1B_{2u}, \tilde{a}^3B_{1u}, \tilde{B}^1B_{1u}, \tilde{b}^3E_{1u}, \tilde{C}^1E_{1u}, \tilde{c}^3B_{2u}$

Electronic selection rule :

$\Delta S = 0,$

$\langle \psi_f | \mu | \psi_i \rangle \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \Gamma(\psi_f) \otimes \Gamma(\mu_{x,y,z}) \otimes \Gamma(\psi_i) \supset A_1$

Benzene : $\Gamma(\mu_{x,y}) = E_{1u}; \Gamma(\mu_z) = A_{2u}$

$\tilde{X}^1A_{1g} \rightarrow \tilde{A}^1B_{2u}$: **forbidden** ($\sim 260\text{nm}$) but relaxed

$\tilde{X}^1A_{1g} \rightarrow \tilde{B}^1B_{1u}$: **forbidden** ($\sim 200\text{nm}$) but relaxed

$\tilde{X}^1A_{1g} \rightarrow \tilde{C}^1E_{1u}$: **allowed** ($\sim 185\text{nm}$)

Vibronic coupling :

∴ breakdown of Born – Oppenheimer approxim.

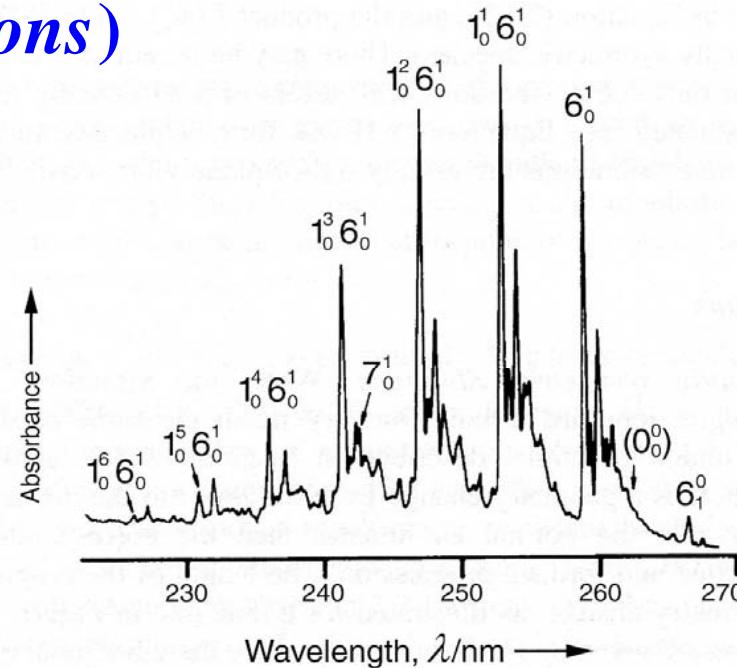
$$\rightarrow \Gamma^{\text{vibronic}}(\psi) = \Gamma(\psi_e) \otimes \Gamma(\psi_v)$$

e.g. $\tilde{X}^1 A_{1g} \rightarrow \tilde{A}^1 B_{2u}$, if $\Gamma(\psi_v) = e_{2g}$ ($v_6 = 1$)

$A_{1g} \otimes B_{2u} \otimes E_{2g} = E_{1u}$ (same as \tilde{C} state)

∴ relaxed (1₀ⁿ6₀¹ progressions)

Benzene



* Jahn – Teller, Herzberg – Teller, Renner-Teller effect

- Organic Chromophores: $\pi^* \leftarrow n$ transition
 $\pi^* \leftarrow \pi$ transition

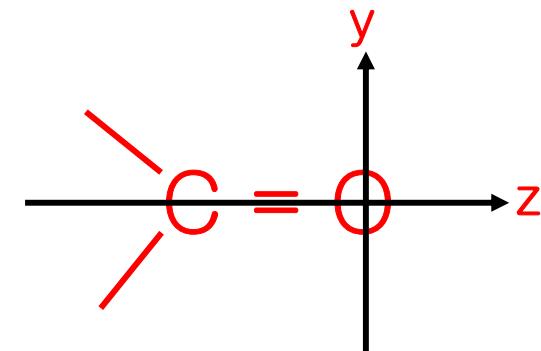
e.g. Carbonyl $\pi^* \leftarrow n$ transition :

$$\phi_{nb} \sim O_{p_y}$$

$$\phi_{\pi^*} \sim \phi(C_{p_x}, O_{p_x})$$

$$\rightarrow \langle \pi^*(x) | \mu_{x,y,z} | nb(y) \rangle = 0$$

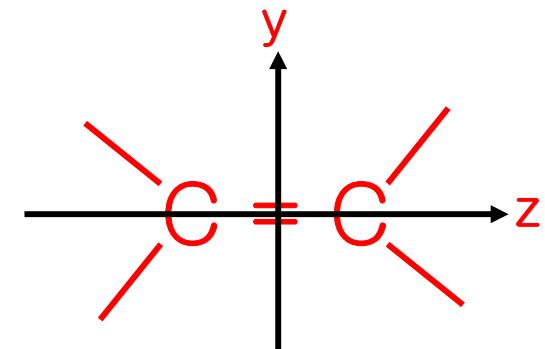
\rightarrow forbidden but relaxed by VB



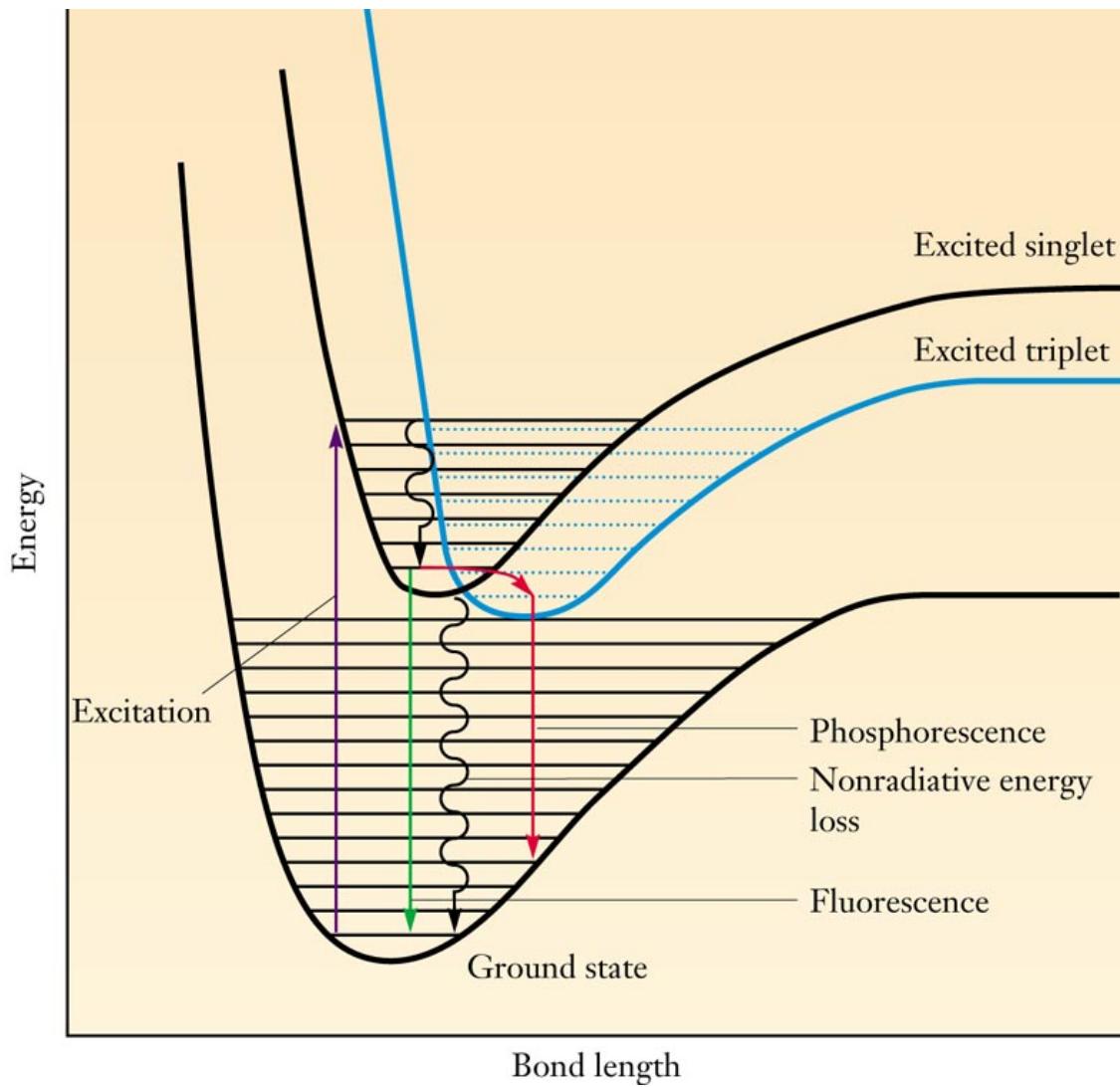
Ethylene $\pi^* \leftarrow \pi$ transition :

$$M_{\pi^*\pi} \propto \hat{z} (\text{bond axis}) \therefore \text{allowed}$$

$(\pi)^1(\pi^*)^1$: two CH_2 's perpendicular



- Decay behaviors of excited states:

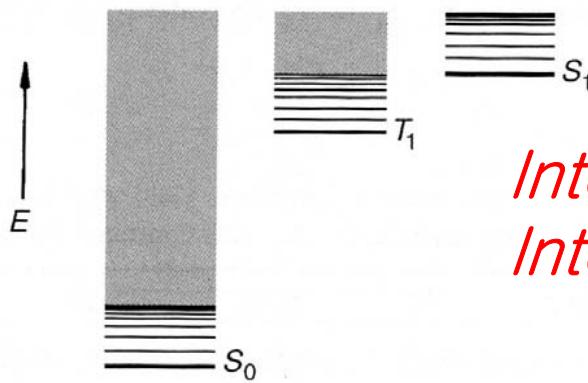


$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \tilde{\nu}(\text{cm}^{-1}) &= \frac{1}{2\pi c} \left(\frac{1}{\tau_r} + \frac{1}{\tau_{nr}} \right) \\ &= \frac{k_r + k_{nr}}{2\pi c}\end{aligned}$$

$\leftarrow \tau_r, \tau_{nr}$: lifetimes

k_r, k_{nr} : rate constants
(radiative, nonradiative)

Coupling w/ pseudo-continuum of S_0 , T_1 :



Internal conversion ($S_1 \rightarrow S_0$)
Intersystem crossing ($S_1 \rightarrow T_1$)

Fluorescence quantum yield:

$$\Phi_F = \frac{\text{no. of fluorescence photons}}{\text{no. of absorbed photons}} = \frac{k_r}{k_r + k_{nr}}$$

$$\text{Fluorescence lifetime } \tau_F = \frac{1}{k_r + k_{nr}}$$

Table 7.11 Fluorescence quantum yield Φ_F , fluorescence lifetime τ_F , radiative, k_r , and non-radiative, k_{nr} , rate constants for the S_1 state of benzene

Vibronic level	Φ_F	τ_F/ns	k_r/s^{-1}	k_{nr}/s^{-1}
0^0	0.22	90	2.4×10^{-6}	8.7×10^{-6}
6^1	0.27	80	3.4×10^{-6}	9.1×10^{-6}
$1^1 6^1$	0.25	68	3.7×10^{-6}	11.0×10^{-6}