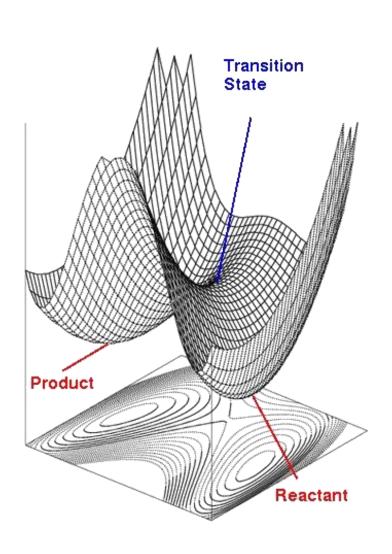
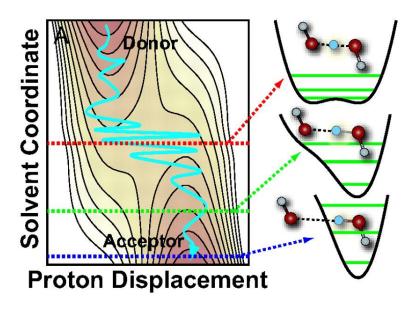


## **Transition State Theory and Beyond**

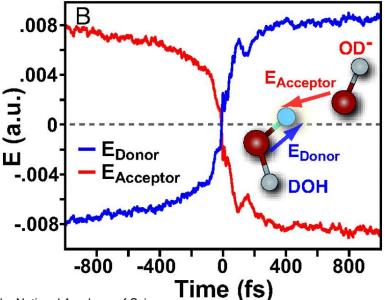


$$k(T) = \frac{kTQ^{\ddagger}(T)}{hQ_r(T)}$$

#### Collective reaction coordinate for proton transfer.



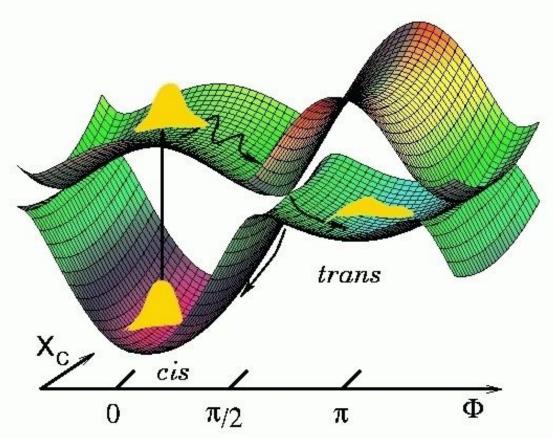
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#### **Conical Intersections**



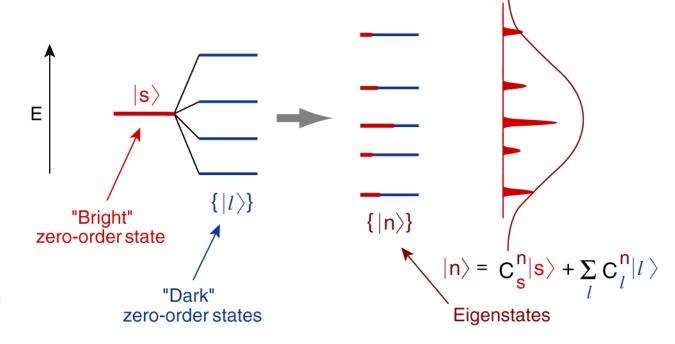
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#### Intramolecular Dynamics Background

Sparse Multiple States



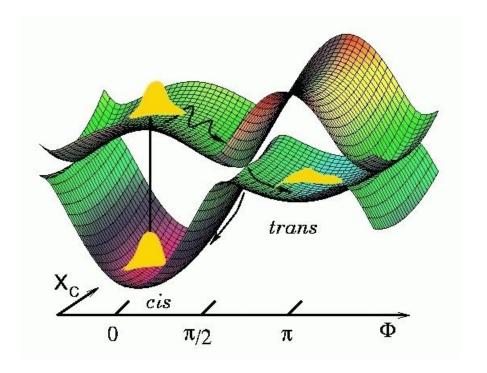
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## Think-Pair-Share

How fast  $(\Delta E \Delta t \ge \hbar)$  would your laser pulse need to be to get electronic dynamics?

- A.  $10^{-21}$  s
- B.  $10^{-18}$  s
- C.  $10^{-15}$  s
- D. 10<sup>-12</sup> s

## **Dynamics**



One needs to solve

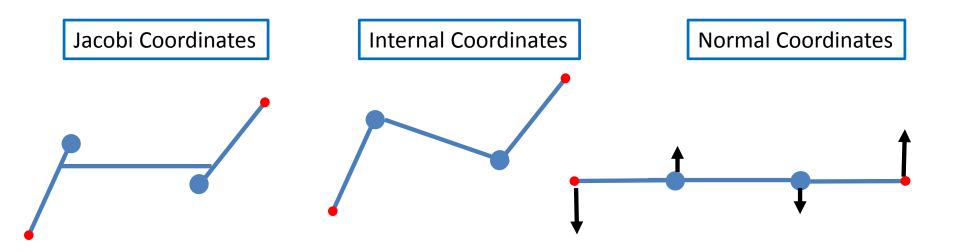
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Here we review a few select tools of the trade.

# Coordinates Acetylene Example



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Rovibrational Hamiltonians for general polyatomic molecules in spherical polar parametrization. I. Orthogonal representations

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## Think-Pair-Share

Which coordinate system is well suited for describing the acetylene/vinylidene isomerization?

- A. Jacobi
- B. Normal
- C. Internal
- D. None of the above

## A matrix representation of your Hamiltonian

A useful way to represent H this is to divide it into 2 parts H=H<sup>0</sup>+V, where V is hopefully small and H<sup>0</sup> has known solutions

$$H^0|n\rangle = E_n|n\rangle$$

that enable one to define a basis set. One must then evaluate

$$\langle m|H|n\rangle = E_n \delta_{mn} + \langle m|V|n\rangle$$

This integration is over multiple degrees of freedom. If V is a polynomial, then the integration can be broken down into a sum of separable terms. Otherwise integration is painful. Think back to Gaussian based electronic structure calculations.

#### Gaussian Quadrature (see Tannor page 286)

Consider approximating the integral of a function f(x) by a finite sum:

$$\int_a^b dx \ w(x)f(x) \approx \sum_{i=1}^N W_i f(x_i),$$

where w(x) is a positive weight function and the N values of  $\{W_i\}$  are the weights to be given to the N function values  $f(x_i)$ .

In Gaussian Quadrature the  $x_i$  and  $W_i$  are chosen to give exact results if f(x) is a polynomial of degree 2N-1 or less.

## Discrete Variable Representation (DVR)

Consider the example of the sinc DVR

$$\chi_n(x) = \frac{\sin[(x - x_n)\pi/\delta]}{[(x - x_n)\pi/\sqrt{\delta}]}$$

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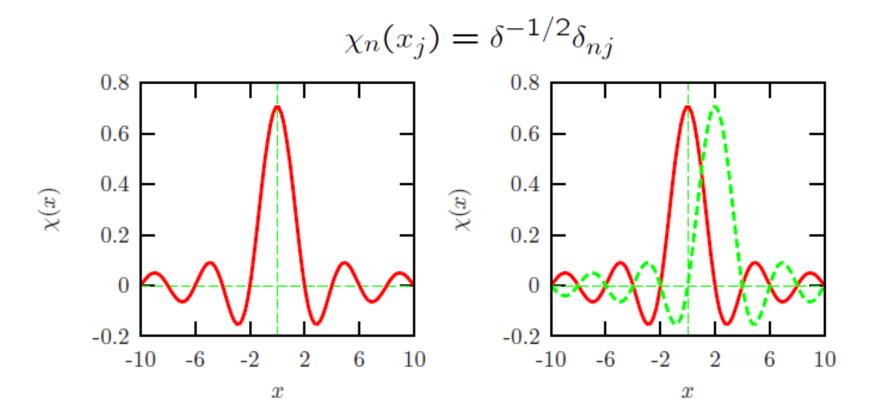
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#### Discrete Variable Representation (DVR)

The potential matrix elements are evaluated implicitly by quadrature

$$\int dx \ \chi_n(x)^* V(x) \chi_m(x) \approx \sum_j w_j \chi_n(x_j)^* V(x_j) \chi_m(x_j)$$
$$= V(x_m) \delta_{mn}.$$



Potential matrix elements are diagonal.



For Gauss-Hermite DVR one diagonalizes the position matrix in a harmonic oscillator basis set.

> Set up the position matrix x Diagonalize  $\mathbf{x}$  to obtain  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}^{\mathsf{t}}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{U}$

$$\chi_i = \sum_{i=1}^N U_{ji} \psi_j$$

#### The Kinetic Energy Matrix Elements are easy to evaluate.

Set up the position matrix kinetic energy matrix  $\mathbf{t}$ Diagonalize  $\mathbf{x}$  to obtain  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}^{t}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{U}$ Transform  $\mathbf{T}$  to obtain  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{U}^{t}\mathbf{t}\mathbf{U}$ 

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## A novel discrete variable representation for quantum mechanical reactive scattering via the S-matrix Kohn method

Daniel T. Colbert and William H. Miller

J. Chem. Phys. 96 (3), 1 February 1992

#### 1. $(-\infty, \infty)$ interval

In this case,  $a \to -\infty$ ,  $b \to \infty$ , so a finite grid spacing  $\Delta x = (b-a)/N$  requires that  $N \to \infty$  also. With  $\{x_i\}$  defined as in Eq. (A2), one also has  $i+i' \to \infty$ , but i-i' is finite. Equation (A6) thus becomes

$$T_{ii'} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m\Delta x^2} (-1)^{i-i'} \left\{ \frac{\pi^2/3, \quad i=i'}{2}, \quad i\neq i' \right\}, \quad (A7)$$

and the grid is now specified more conveniently as  $x_i = i\Delta x$ ,  $i = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2,...$ .

#### Think-Pair-Share

The biggest drawback of the DVR representation is that

- A. The variational principle no longer holds.
- B. While the potential is sparse, KE is not.
- C. The matrix elements are difficult to calculate.
- D. Basis sets are large.

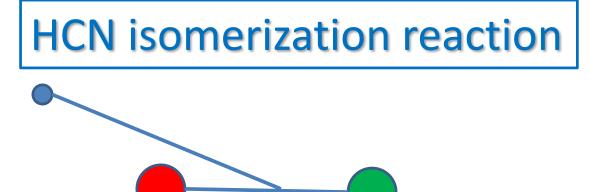
# Adiabatic approximation and nonadiabatic corrections in the discrete variable representation: Highly excited vibrational states of triatomic molecules

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An adiabatic approximation for the calculation of excited vibrational (J=0) levels of triatomic molecules is developed using the discrete variable representation (DVR). The DVR



#### Adiabaticity and the DVR

Consider a 2-D Hamiltonian with a fast r and a slow R DOF.

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In DVR our basis is

$$\psi_{k_m}(r)\chi_m(R),$$

where

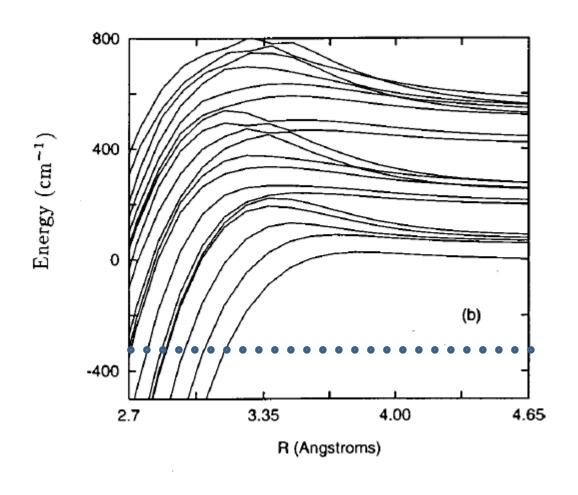
$$[T_r + V(R_m, r)]\psi_{k_m}(r) = E_{k_m}\psi_{k_m}(r).$$

This leads to the following sparse matrix representation

$$\langle k_m, m|H|k'_{m'}, m'\rangle = E_{km}\delta_{kk'}\delta_{mm'} + \langle m|T_R|m'\rangle\langle k_m|k'_{m'}\rangle.$$

$$CH_3+H\rightarrow CH_4$$

Plot of transitional modes as a function of R.



SACM and Variational RRKM

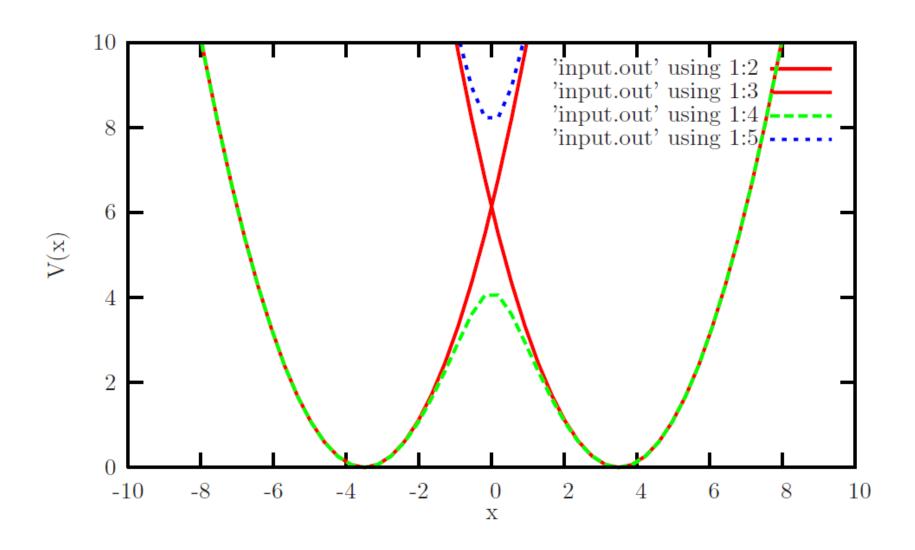
$$k(E,J) = \frac{N(E,J)}{h\rho^{R}(E,J)}.$$

## Think-Pair-Share

A simple HF electronic structure code might be 10,000 lines. A simple MD code might be 1000 lines of code. A simple DVR code for coupling 2 electronic states and 1 vibrational DOF might be

- A. 10,000 lines.
- B. 1,000 lines.
- C. 100 lines.
- D. 10 lines.

#### **Home Work Calculation**



```
delx = (xmax-xmin)/dfloat(npoints-1) !grid spacing
   set up the kinetic energy operator
   con = 0.5d0/delx**2
                                          T_{ii'} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m\Delta x^2} (-1)^{i-i'} \left\{ \frac{\pi^{-1/3}}{2}, \quad i \neq i' \right\},\,
   t(0) = con*pi**2/3.d0
   sone = -1.d0
   do i = 1,npoints
     t(i) = con*sone*2.d0/dfloat(i)**2
     sone = -sone
   enddo
   write(*,*)t
   do i = 1,npoints
   do ip = 1,i
     h(i,ip) = t(iabs(i-ip))
                                          Diabat 1
     h(ip,i) = h(i,ip)
     h(i+npoints,ip+npoints) = h(i,ip)
                                                Diabat 2
     h(ip+npoints,i+npoints) = h(ip,i)
   enddo
   enddo
```

```
add on the potential contribution
xx = xmin-delx
do i = 1,npoints
xx = xx + delx
v11 = 0.5d0*(xx+xe)**2
                              Diagonal-Diabat Potentials
v22 = 0.5d0*(xx-xe)**2
                                Off-Diagonal Diabat Potentials
v12 = v120*dexp(-(xx/alp)**2)
              = v11 + h(i,i)
h(i,i)
h(i+npoints,i+npoints) = v22 + h(i+npoints,i+npoints)
h(i+npoints,i)
                  = v12
vadl = (v11+v22)/2.d0-0.5d0*dsqrt((v11-v22)**2+4.d0*v12**2)
vadu = (v11+v22)/2.d0-0.5d0*dsqrt((v11-v22)**2+4.d0*v12**2)
write(17,'(4f10.5)')xx,v11,vadl,vadu
enddo
```

## The DVR provides a matrix representation of the Hamiltonian. What next?

One needs to solve

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(x,t)}{\partial t} = \hat{H}\psi$$

directly or solve  $H\Psi_n(x) = E_n\Psi_n(x)$  and calculate

$$\psi(x,t) = \sum_{n} c_n \Psi_n(x) e^{-iE_n t/\hbar}$$

One goal is to calculate a spectrum or short time dynamics.

$$\Sigma(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt \langle \phi | \phi(t) \rangle e^{i\omega t} = \sum_{n} |\langle \phi | \Psi_{n} \rangle|^{2} \delta(E_{n} / \hbar - \omega)$$

#### The Lanczos Method

$$T_m = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_2 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & \beta_{m-2} & \alpha_{m-1} & \beta_{m-1} \\ & & & \beta_{m-1} & \alpha_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Create a tridiagonal matrix.

#### The Lanczos Method

#### Start with an initial vector $|\psi_1\rangle = |\phi\rangle$ .

- Calculate  $H|\psi_1\rangle = |\chi\rangle$
- Orthogonalize vector  $|\chi\rangle \rightarrow |\chi\rangle |\psi_1\rangle\langle\psi_1|\chi\rangle$
- Normalize to obtain  $|\psi_2\rangle = \langle \chi |\chi \rangle^{-1/2} |\chi \rangle$

#### We construct matrix elements.

- Calculate  $\alpha_1 = \langle \psi_1 | H | \psi_1 \rangle$
- Calculate  $\beta_1 = \langle \psi_1 | H | \psi_2 \rangle$
- Calculate  $\alpha_2 = \langle \psi_2 | H | \psi_2 \rangle$

#### Continue the process.

- Calculate  $H|\psi_2\rangle = |\chi\rangle$
- Orthogonalize  $|\chi\rangle \to |\chi\rangle \sum_{i=1}^{2} |\psi_i\rangle \langle \psi_i|\chi\rangle$
- Normalize to obtain  $|\psi_3\rangle = \langle \chi |\chi \rangle^{-1/2} |\chi \rangle$

#### Lanczos with DVR's

The previous equations were written in braket notation as

$$|\chi\rangle = H|\psi\rangle$$

To implement this in a basis you multiply both sides by  $raket{i}$  to give

$$\langle i | \chi \rangle = \langle i | H | \psi \rangle$$

Now insert the identity,  $\sum |j\rangle\langle j|=1$  , to obtain

$$\langle i | \chi \rangle = \sum_{j} \langle i | H | j \rangle \langle j | \psi \rangle$$

This is just matrix multiplication. Use sparse matrix methods.

#### The Lanczos Method

First we construct the tridiagonal matrix

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Next we diagonalize it. Note we only retain three vectors at any time.

Since our  $|\phi\rangle$  is part of the tridiagonal matrix we can calculate the spectrum in the Krylov space.

$$\Sigma(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt \langle \phi | \phi(t) \rangle e^{i\omega t} = \sum_{n} |\langle \phi | \Psi_{n} \rangle|^{2} \delta(E_{n} / \hbar - \omega)$$

## Solutions to TDSE

For  $H = H^0 + V$  with small coupling solve

• 
$$i\hbar \dot{c}_j = \sum_k c_k V_{kj} \exp[i(E_j - E_k)t/\hbar].$$

For small dispersion use Askar and Cakmak [JCP 68, 2794 (1978).]

• 
$$\psi(t + \Delta t) \approx \psi(t - \Delta t) - 2i\Delta t \hat{H} \psi(t)$$
,

where error is  $O[(\Delta t)^3 \sigma_E^3]$ .

To combine with FFT use the split-operator

• 
$$e^{-iH\Delta t/\hbar} \approx e^{-iT\Delta t/\hbar}e^{-iV\Delta t/\hbar}$$
.

For high accuracy use polynomial expansion

• 
$$e^{-iH\Delta t/\hbar} \approx \sum_{n} a_n P_n(H)$$
.

## A Fourier Method Solution for the Time Dependent Schrödinger Equation as a Tool in Molecular Dynamics

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KK combined FFT with the split-operator

$$e^{-iH\Delta t/\hbar} \approx e^{-iT\Delta t/\hbar}e^{-iV\Delta t/\hbar}$$

as follows: step 1

$$\left[e^{-iV\Delta t/\hbar}\psi(x,t)\right].$$

step 2

$$FT\left[e^{-iV\Delta t/\hbar}\psi(x,t)\right]$$

step 3

$$\left\{ e^{-ik^2t/\hbar}FT\left[e^{-iV\Delta t/\hbar}\psi(x,t)\right]\right\}$$

step 5

$$e^{-iH\Delta t/\hbar}\psi(x,t) \approx FT^{-1} \left\{ e^{-ik^2t/\hbar}FT \left[ e^{-iV\Delta t/\hbar}\psi(x,t) \right] \right\}$$

# The split-operator applied to a conical intersection

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## Time-dependent quantum wave-packet description of the $^1\pi\sigma^*$ photochemistry of phenol

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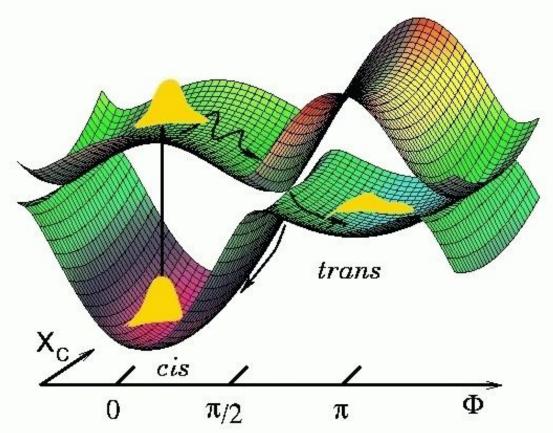
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#### Theoretical Methods for Ultrafast Spectroscopy

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Time-resolved spectroscopy in the femtosecond and attosecond time domain is a tool to unravel the dynamics of nuclear and electronic motion in molecular systems. Theoretical insight into the underlying physical processes is ideally gained by solving the time-dependent Schrödinger equation. In this work, methods currently used to solve this equation are reviewed in a compact presentation. These methods involve numerical representations of wavefunctions and operators, the calculation of time evolution operators, the setting up of the Hamiltonian operators and the types of coordinates to be used hereto. The advantages and disadvantages of some methods are discussed.

## Ultrafast nonadiabatic photoreactions



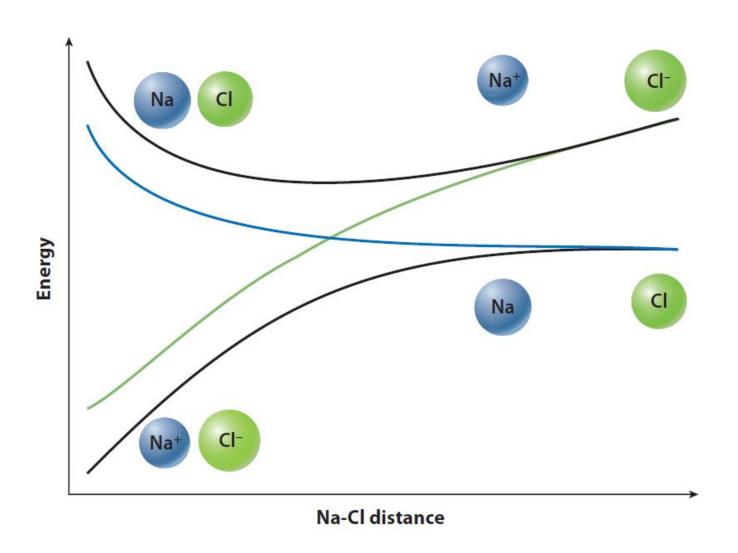
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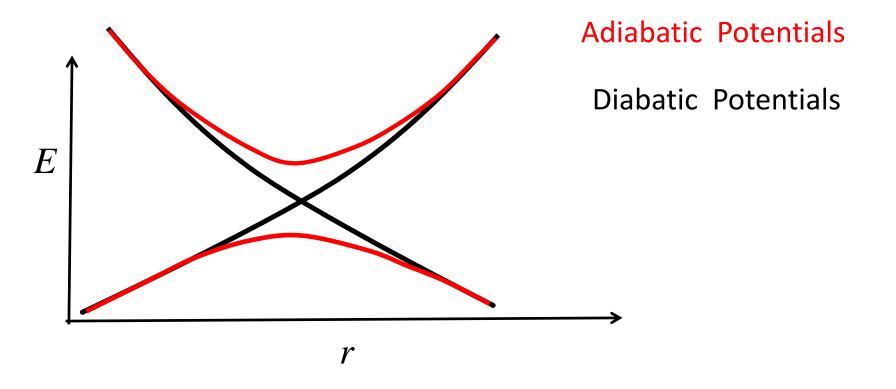
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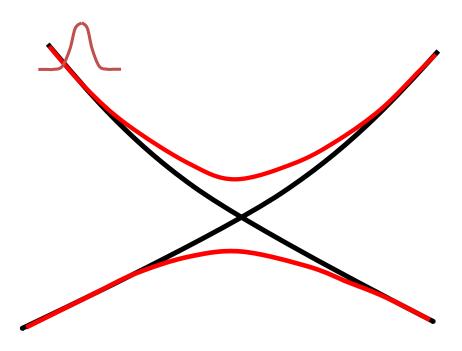


#### **Avoided Crossing of Two Potential Energy Curves**

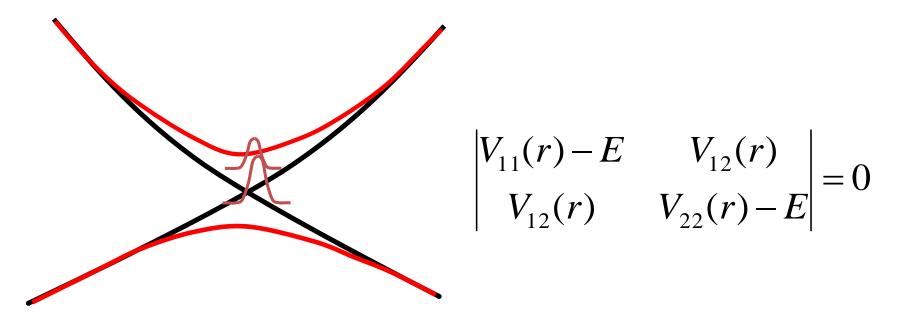


$$\begin{vmatrix} V_{11}(r) - E & V_{12}(r) \\ V_{12}(r) & V_{22}(r) - E \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

V<sub>ii</sub> are diabatic surfaces E are adiabatic surfaces

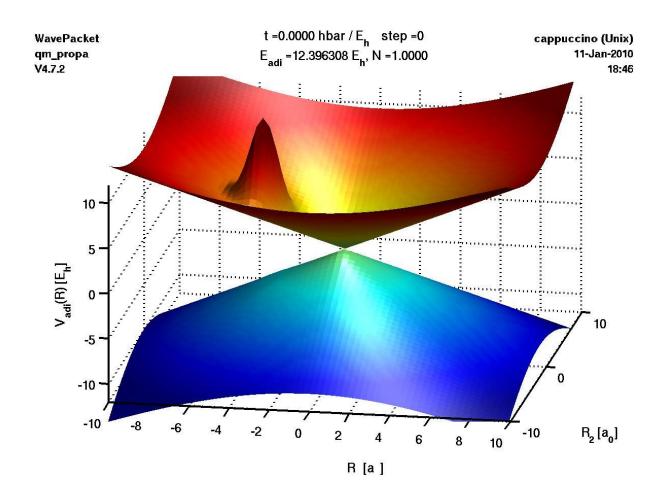


Hopping probability depends on size of  $V_{12}$ . If  $V_{12}$ =0, red and black curves are same.



In higher dimensions this is more complicated.

$$\begin{vmatrix} V_{11}(r,s) - E & V_{12}(r,s) \\ V_{12}(r,s) & V_{22}(r,s) - E \end{vmatrix} = 0$$



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#### The Challenges of Open Shell Systems

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# A model spin-vibronic Hamiltonian for twofold degenerate electron systems: A variational *ab initio* study of $\tilde{X}^2E$ CH<sub>3</sub>O\*

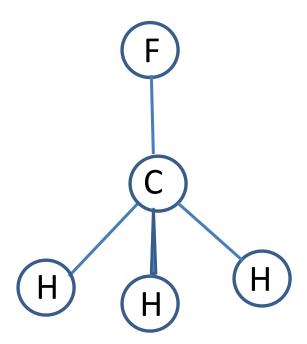
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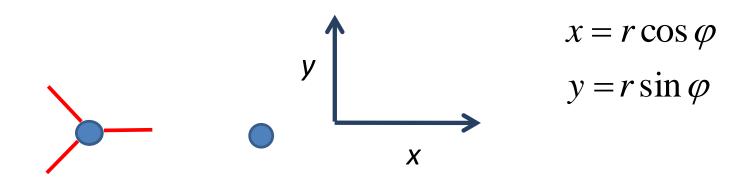
#### Motivation for Studying Methoxy

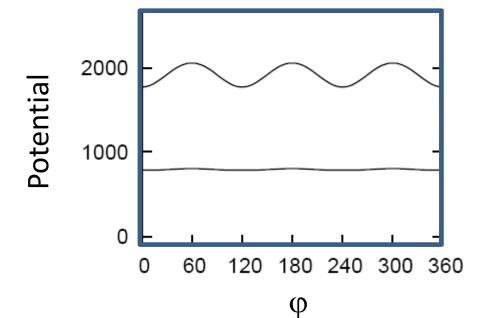
There is long standing interest in open shell systems due to their relevance to combustion and atmospheric chemistry.

Given their reactivity, there are inherent experimental difficulties in their spectroscopic characterization. Therefore, theoretical descriptions of the spectroscopy and dynamics can contribute to the characterization of these molecules.

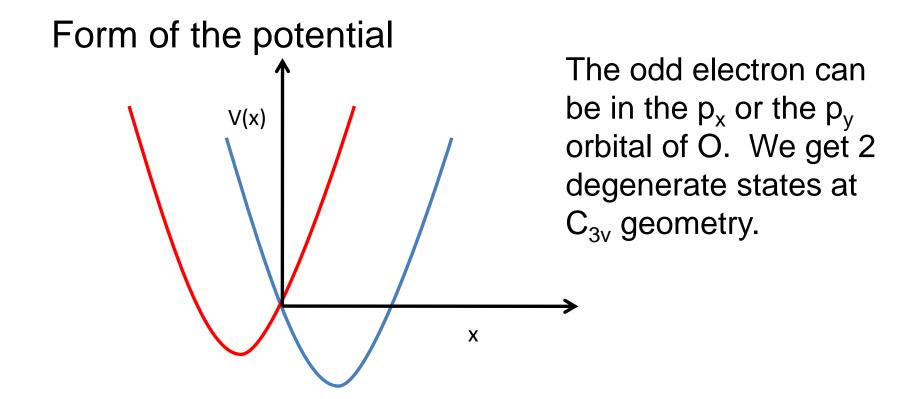


#### The potential for CHF<sub>3</sub> bending mode.





$$V = \frac{k}{2}(x^2 + y^2) + \lambda(3xy^2 - x^3)$$



What can we learn about the shape of this potential based on symmetry?

Why isn't the minimum at the origin?

The adiabatic potential must have 3-fold symmetry.

$$|\mathbf{V} - W\mathbf{I}| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} a^{11}\cos(\phi) - W & b^{21}\sin(\phi) \\ b^{12}\sin(\phi) & a^{22}\cos(\phi) - W \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

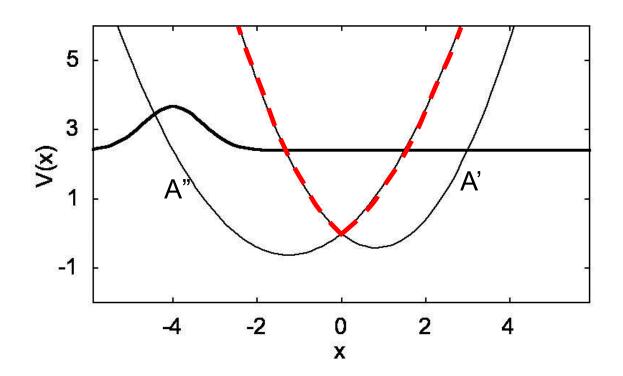
$$a^{11}a^{22}\cos^2(\phi) - b^{12}b^{21}\sin^2(\phi) - W(a^{11} + a^{22})\cos(\phi) + W^2 = 0$$

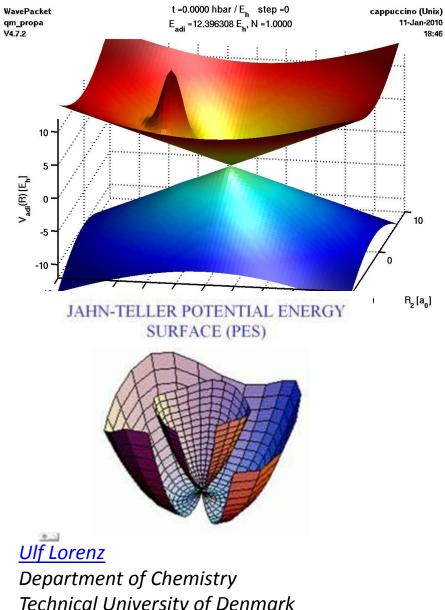
$$W = \pm a^{11}\rho = \pm \alpha\rho$$

$$V_{11} = f_{11}x + f_{20}(x^2 + y^2) + f_{22}(x^2 - y^2)$$

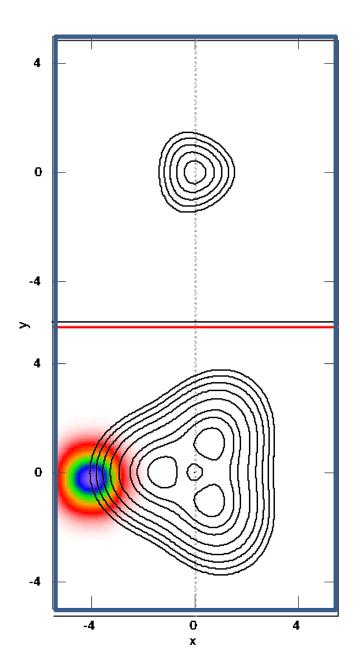
$$V_{22} = -f_{11}x + f_{20}(x^2 + y^2) - f_{22}(x^2 - y^2)$$

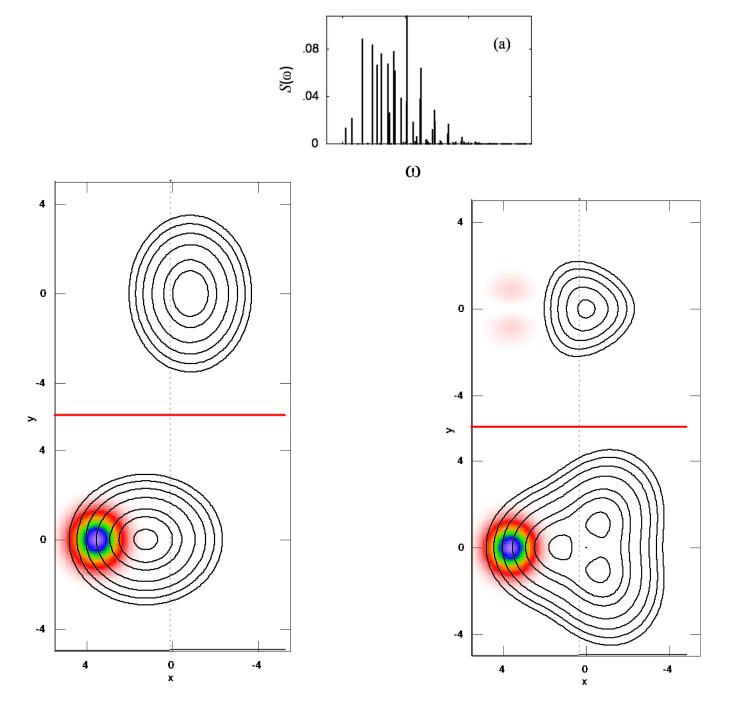
$$V_{12} = -f_{11}y + f_{22}(2xy)$$

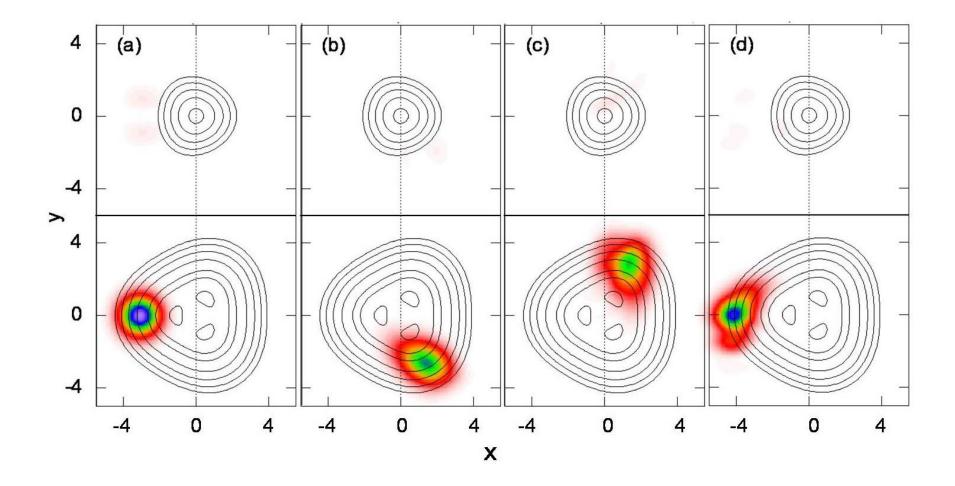




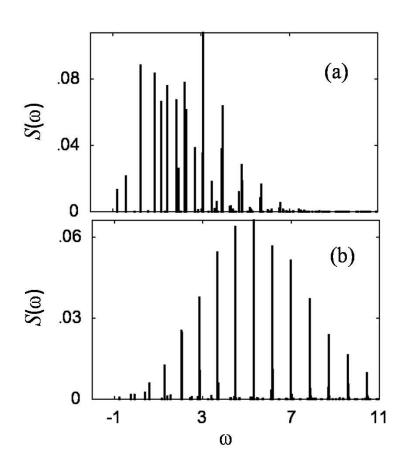
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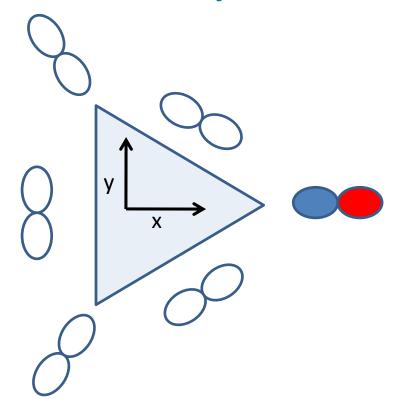




#### Spectra Associated w Gaussians



#### The Berry Phase



Symmetry wrt to the y axis tells us the potential must have the form

$$V = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \alpha x & \gamma y \\ \gamma y & \beta x \end{array}\right)$$

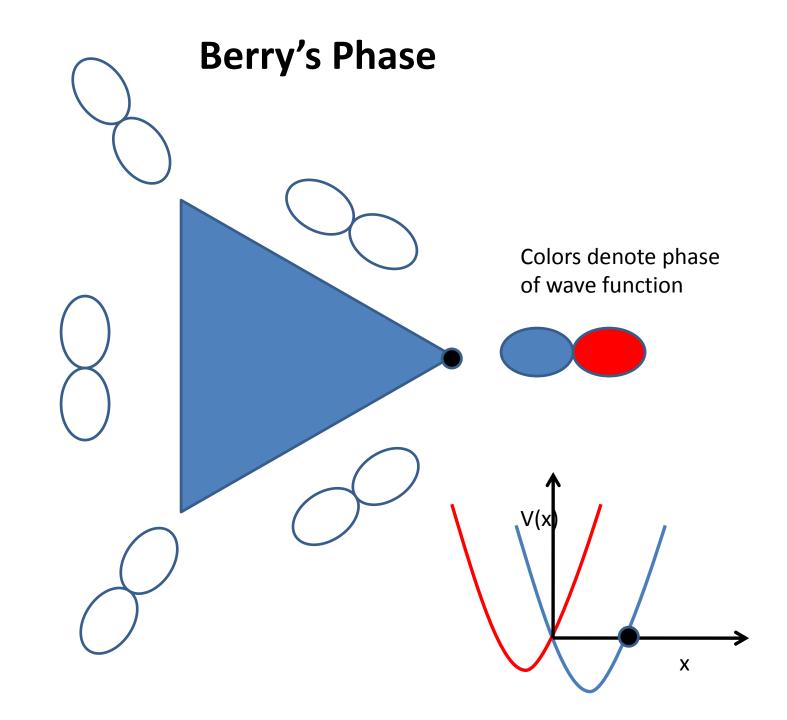
Symmetry wrt to the 3 fold rotation tells us the potential must have the form

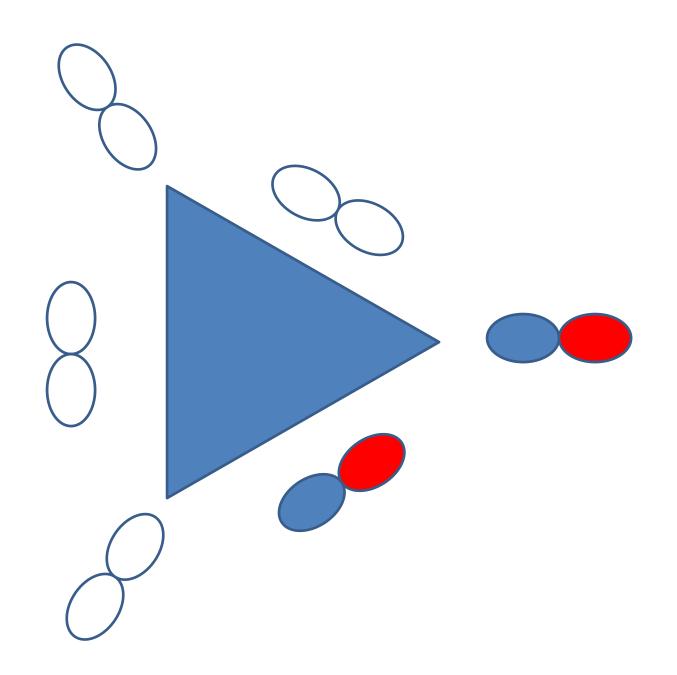
$$\alpha = -\beta = -\gamma$$

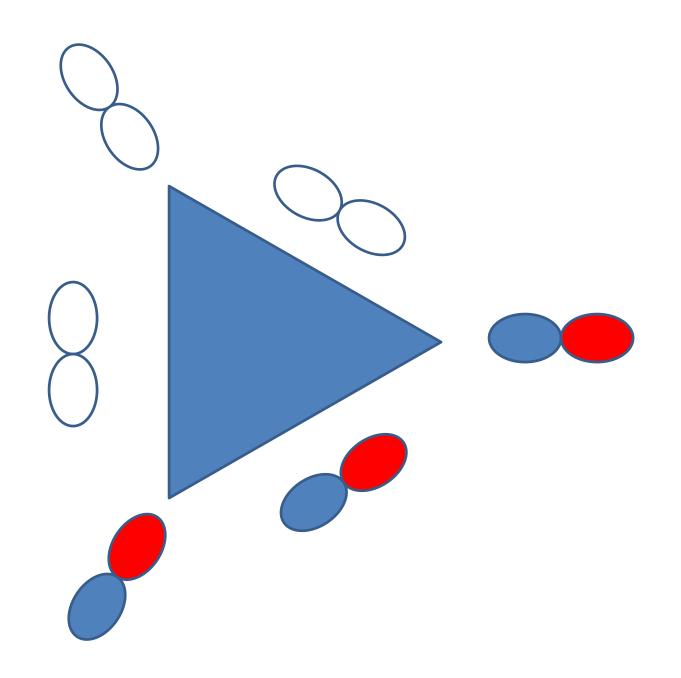
The transformation to the adiabatic representation is given by W=U<sup>T</sup>VU

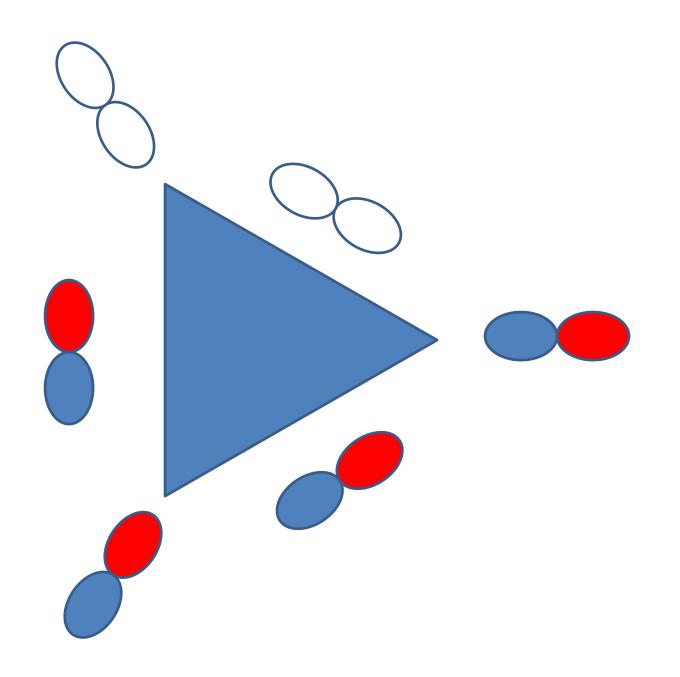
$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\phi/2) & \sin(\phi/2) \\ -\sin(\phi/2) & \cos(\phi/2) \end{pmatrix}$$

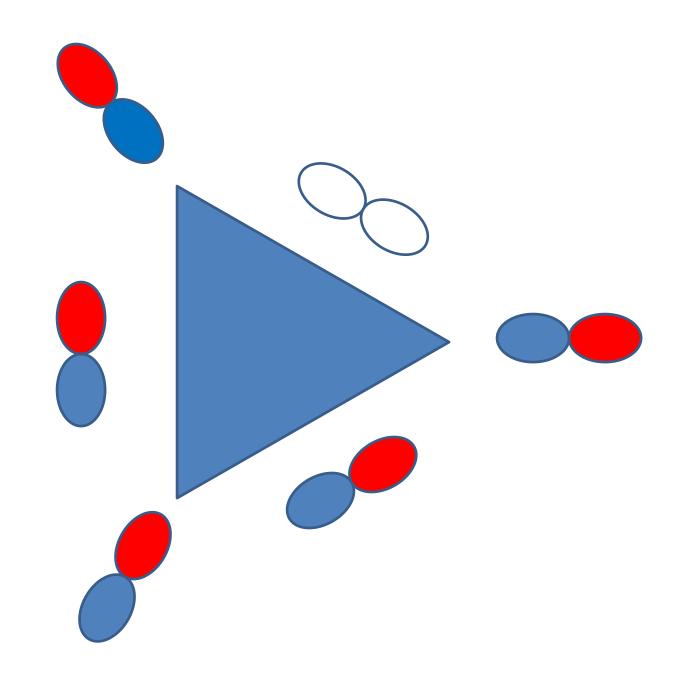
$$W = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \rho & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha \rho \end{pmatrix}$$

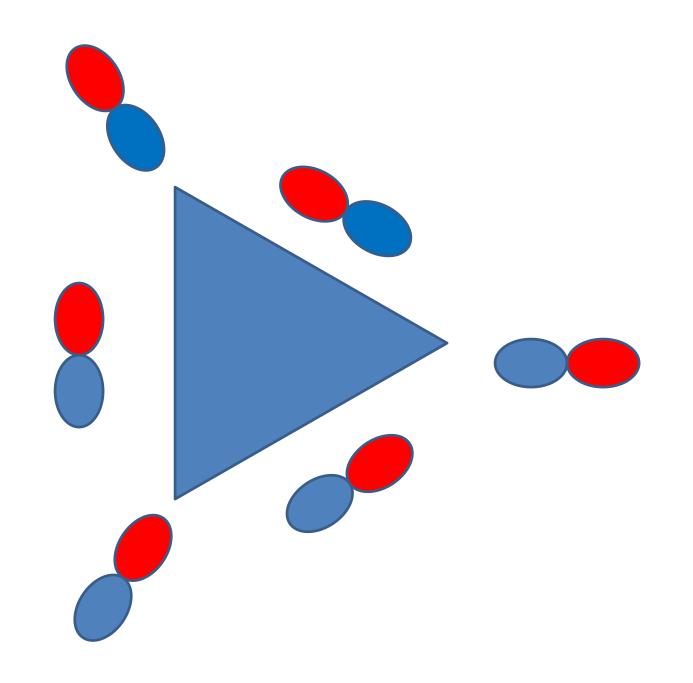


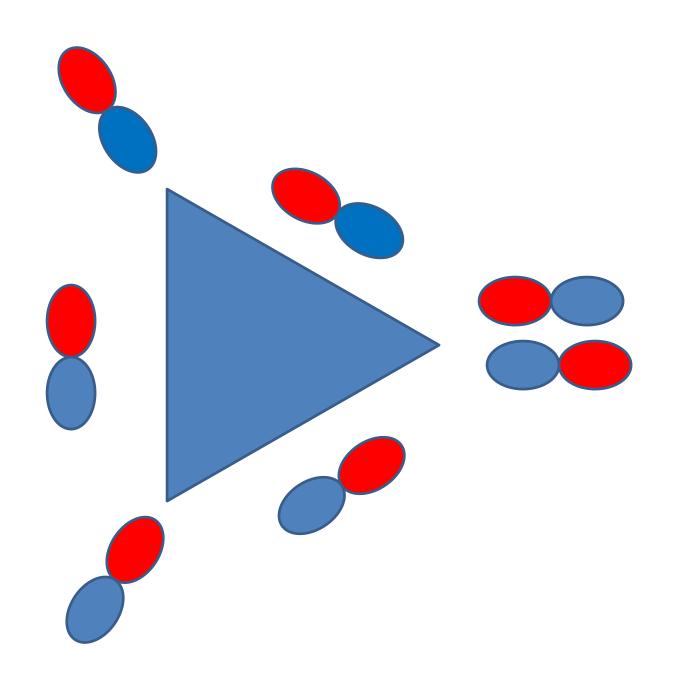












# Vibrational dynamics around the conical intersection: a study of methoxy vibrations on the $\tilde{X}^2E$ surface

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# On the construction of quasidiabatic state representations of bound adiabatic state potential energy surfaces coupled by accidental conical intersections: Incorporation of higher order terms

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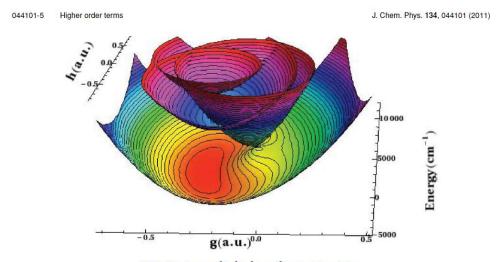


FIG. 2. Plot of energy of <sup>2</sup>B<sub>1</sub>, <sup>2</sup>A<sub>1</sub>, <sup>2</sup>A<sub>2</sub>, and <sup>2</sup>B<sub>2</sub> states in the g-h plane.

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### Some concluding comments.

## Nonadiabatic reactive scattering in atom+triatom systems: Nascent rovibronic distributions in $F+H_2O \rightarrow HF+OH$

This is due in part to the greatly increased complexity of polyatomic systems, the subsequent computational cost of theoretically treating multisurface dynamics, and the growing importance of conical intersections in such problems.

The notion that a reaction occurs on a single electronic surface remains the dominant zeroth order paradigm in chemical physics. However, this situation has been slowly changing, as nonadiabatic reaction dynamics in benchmark triatomic systems have recently received considerable experimental and theoretical attention.

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#### Excited-State Charge Transfer at a Conical Intersection: Effects of an Environment

