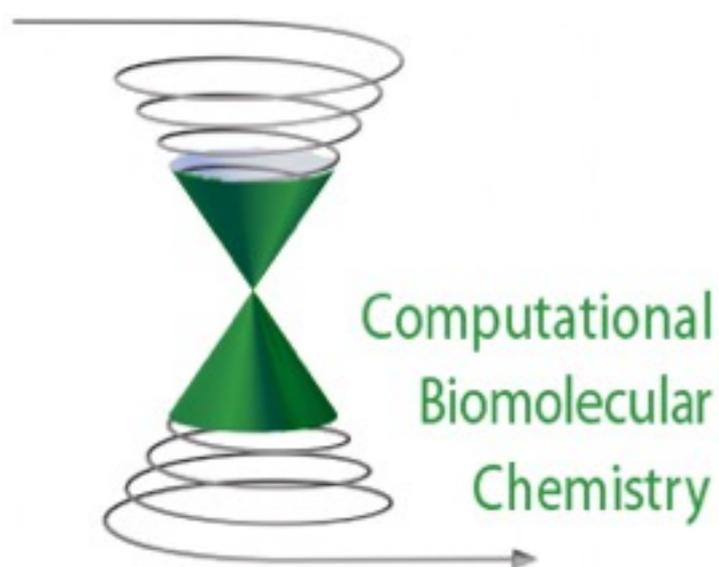


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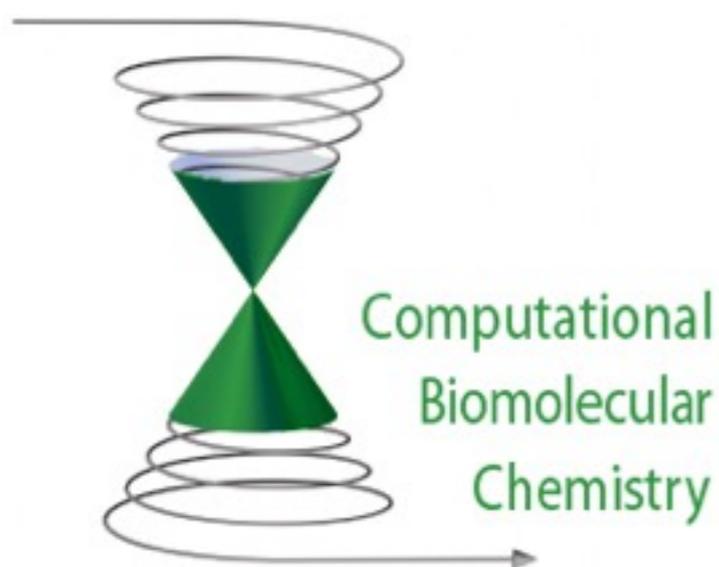


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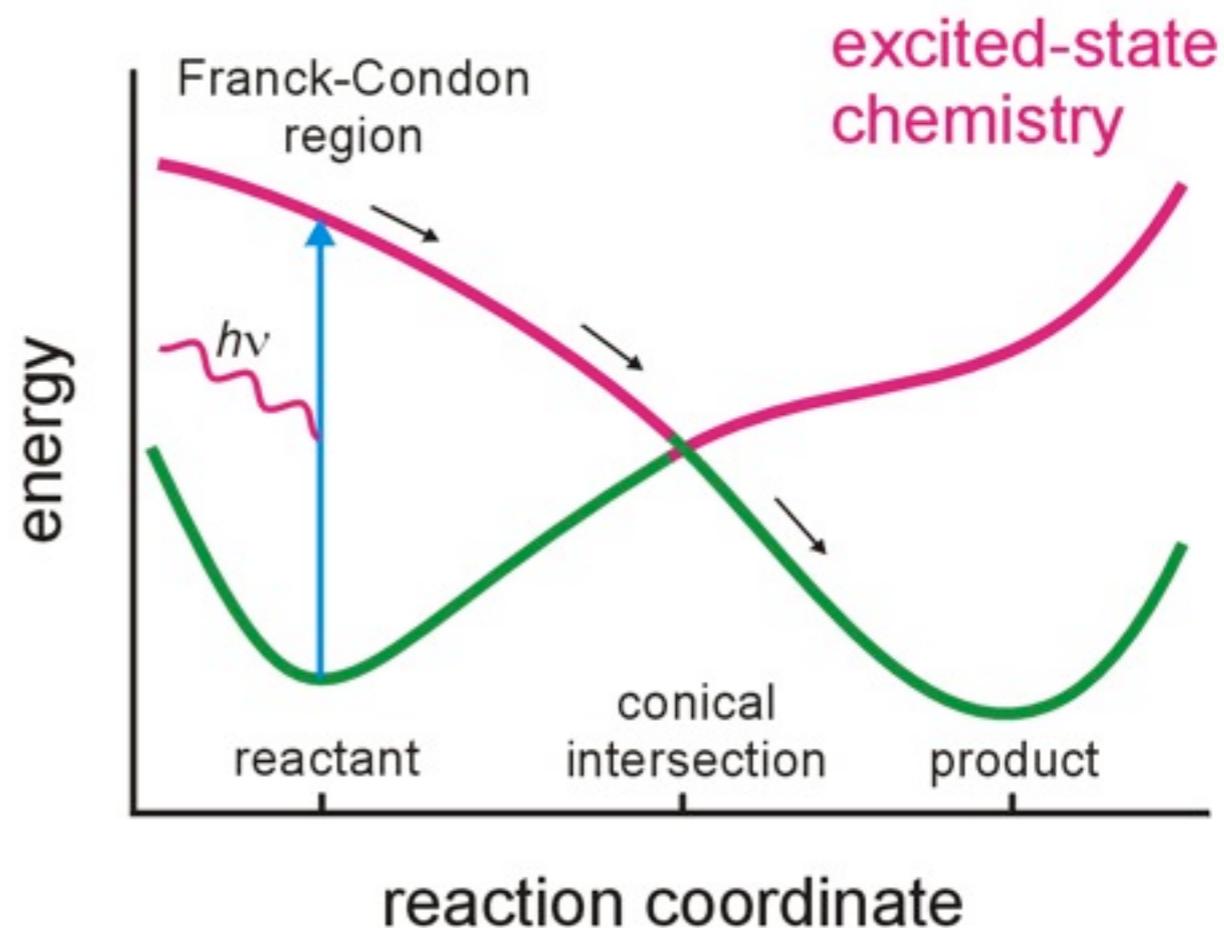
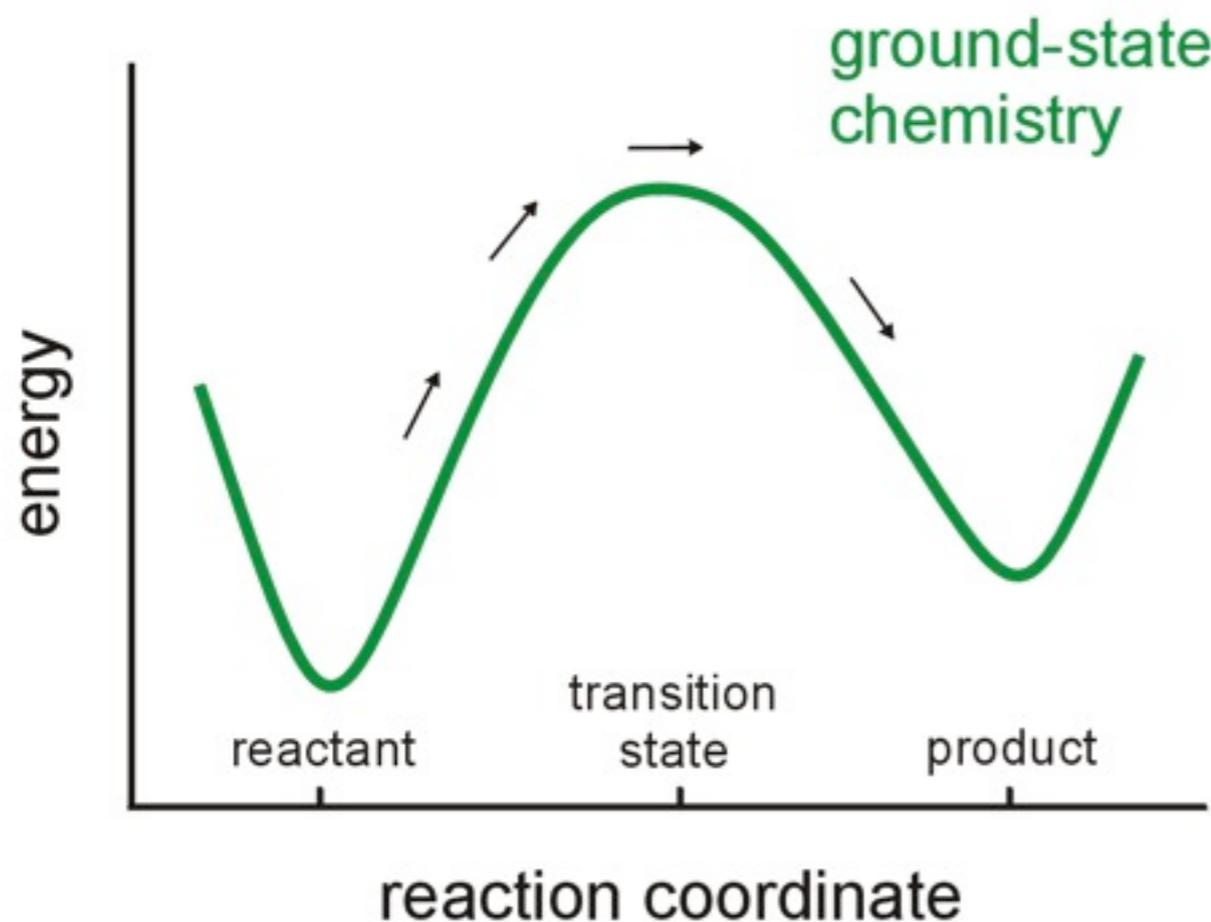


# non-adiabatic chemistry

nuclear dynamics in more than one electronic state

transitions between electronic states!

adiabatic & non-adiabatic chemistry



thermodynamic control

statistical mechanics (Eyring)

kinetic control

dynamics

# non-adiabatic chemistry

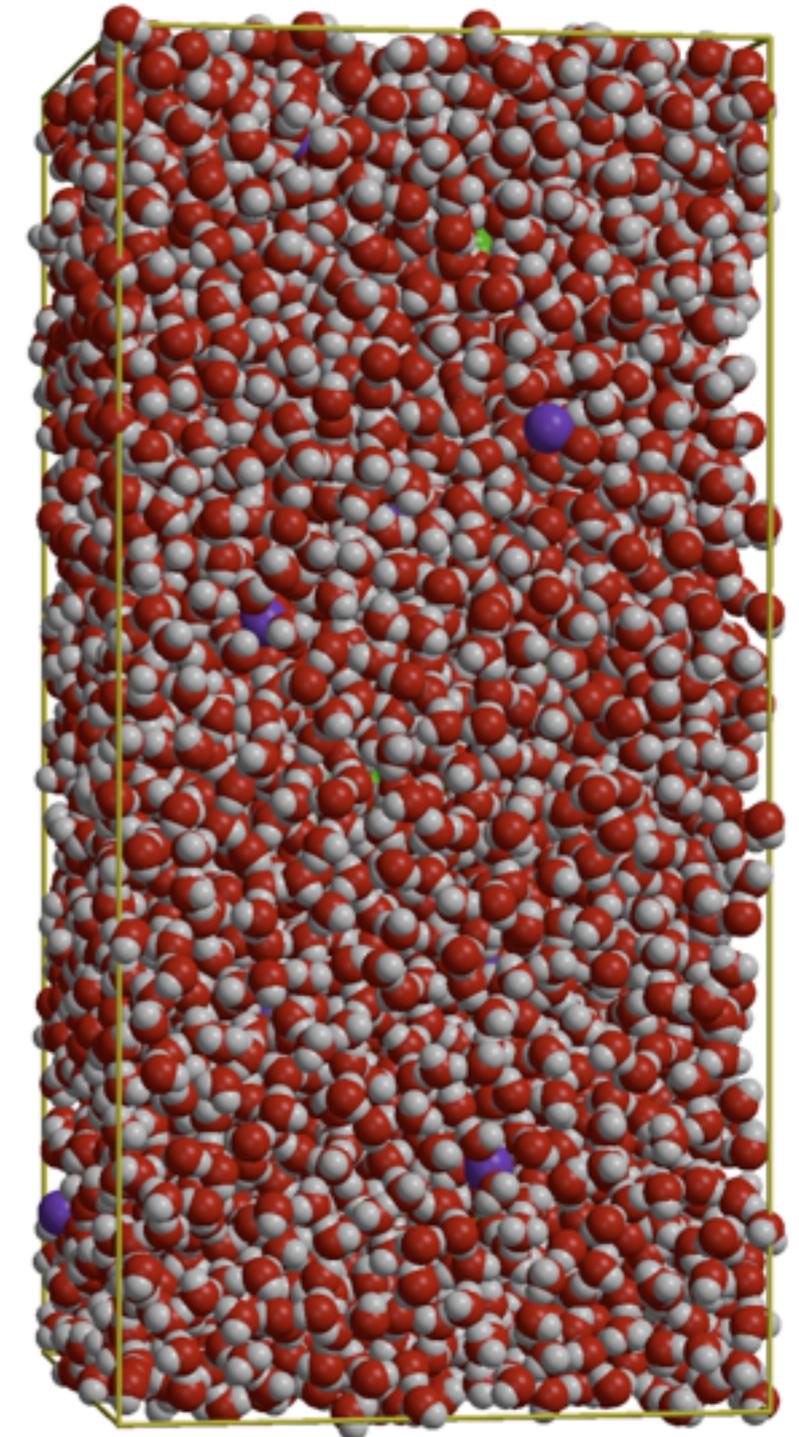
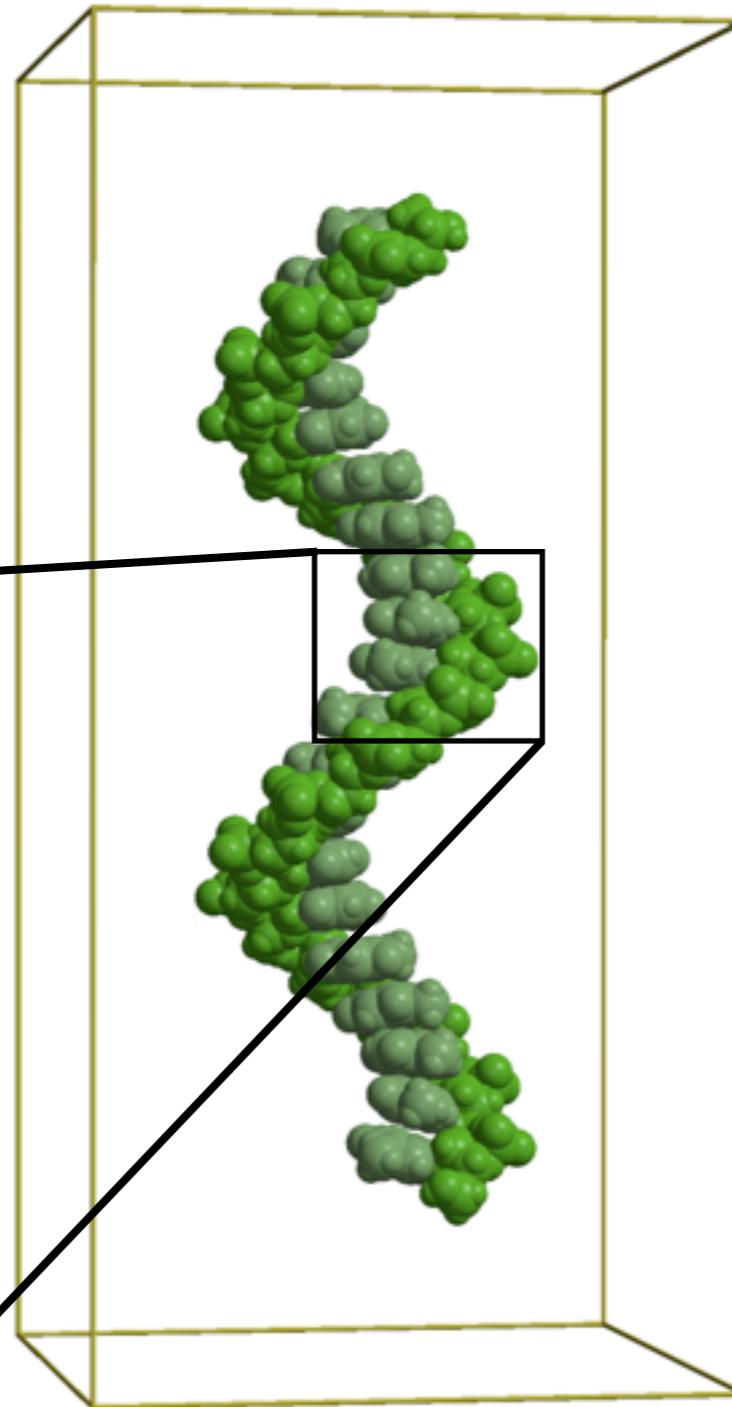
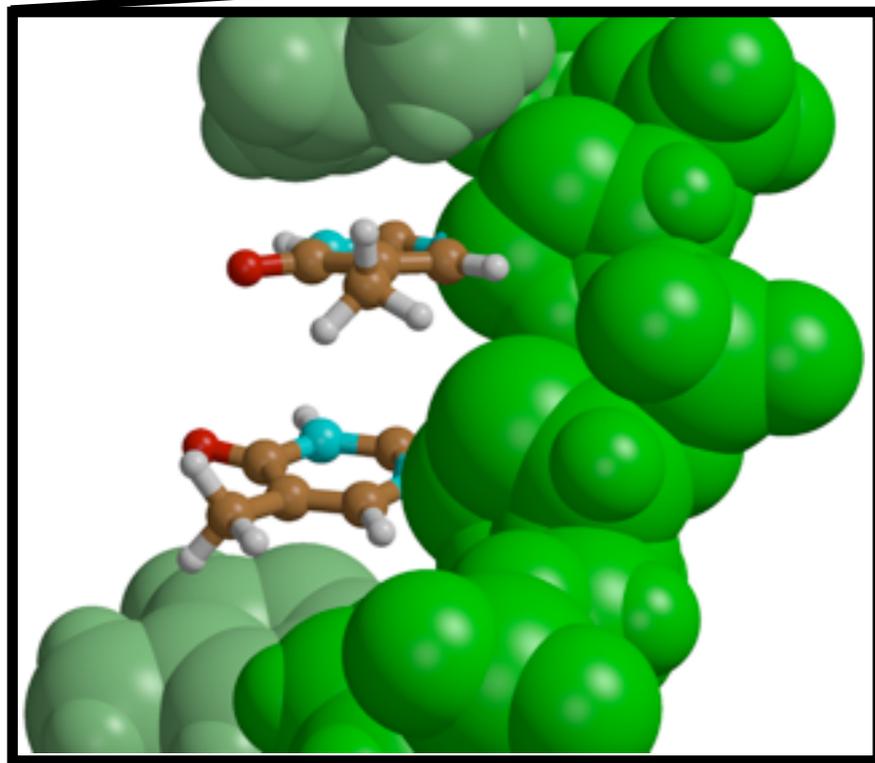
example: radiation damage in DNA

thymine dimerization

base stack (TT)

CASSCF(8,8)/6-31G

diabatic surface hop

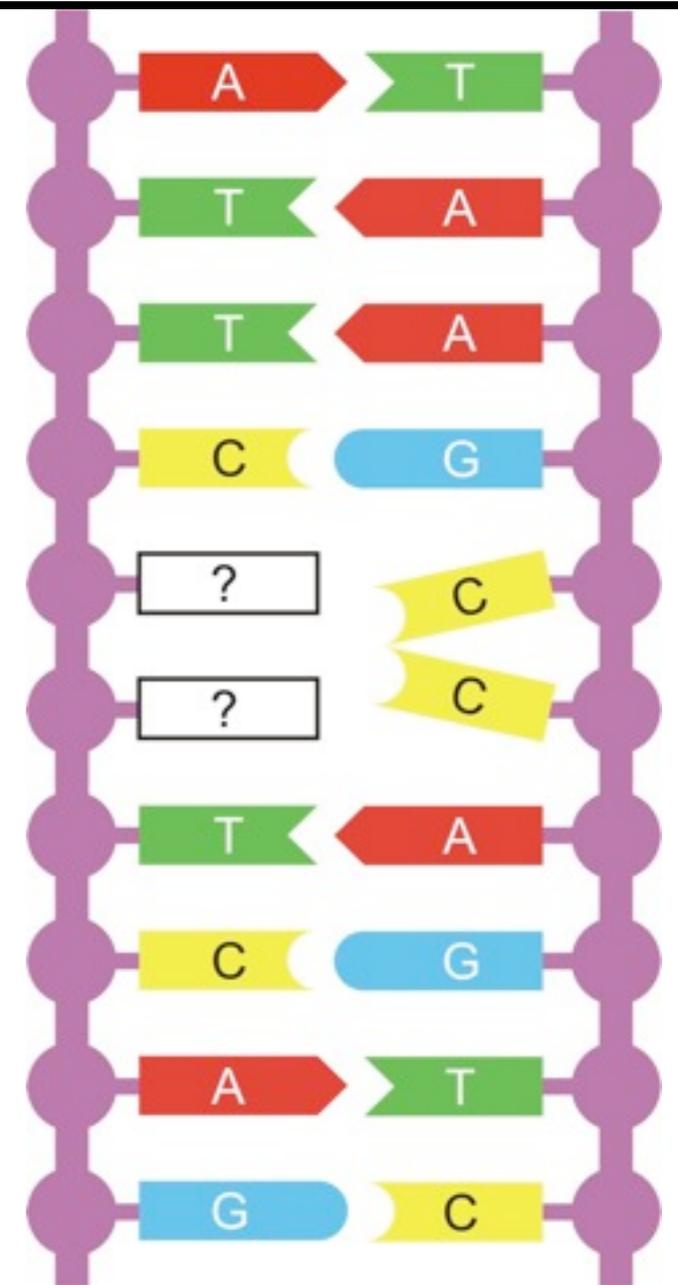


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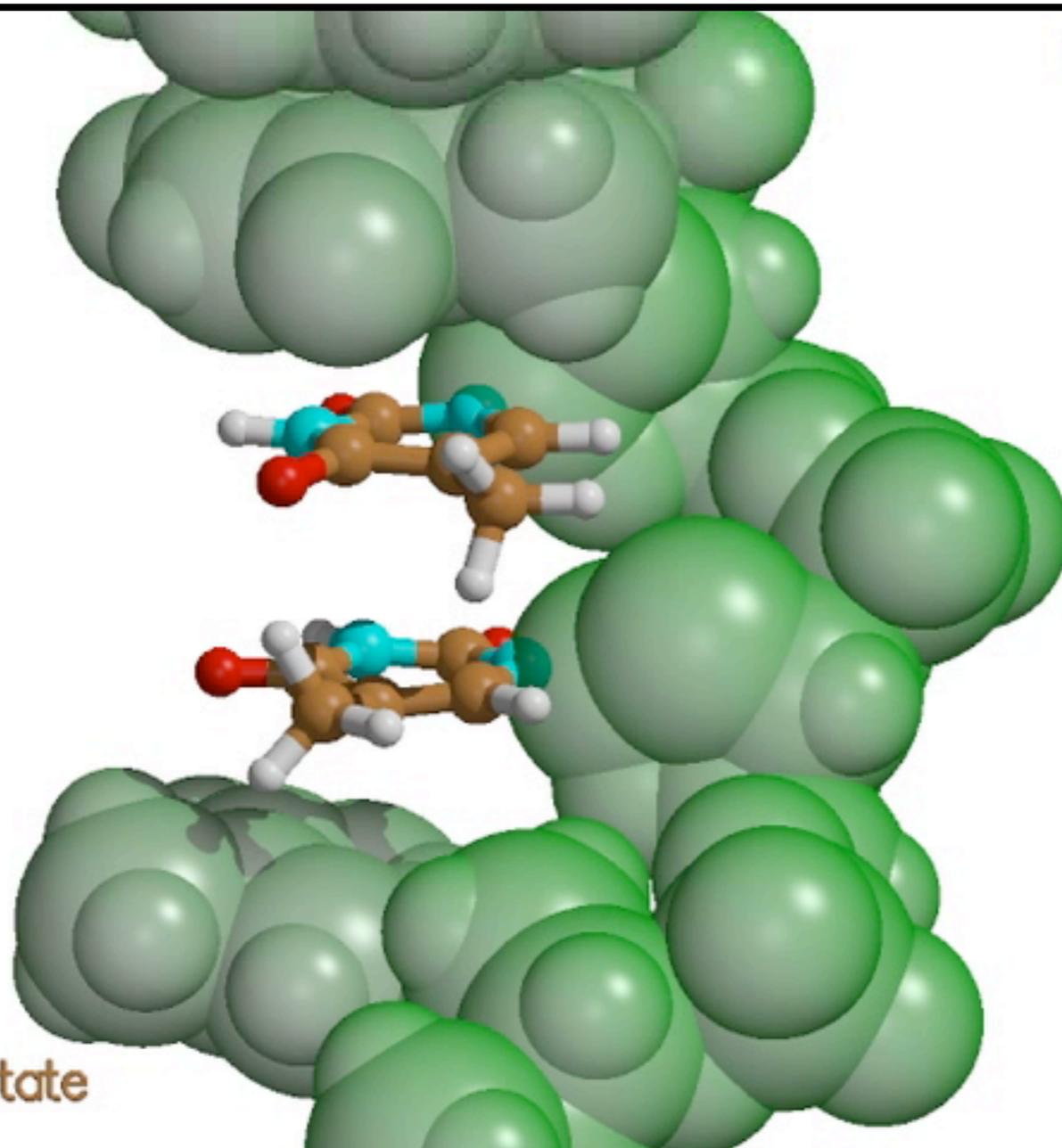


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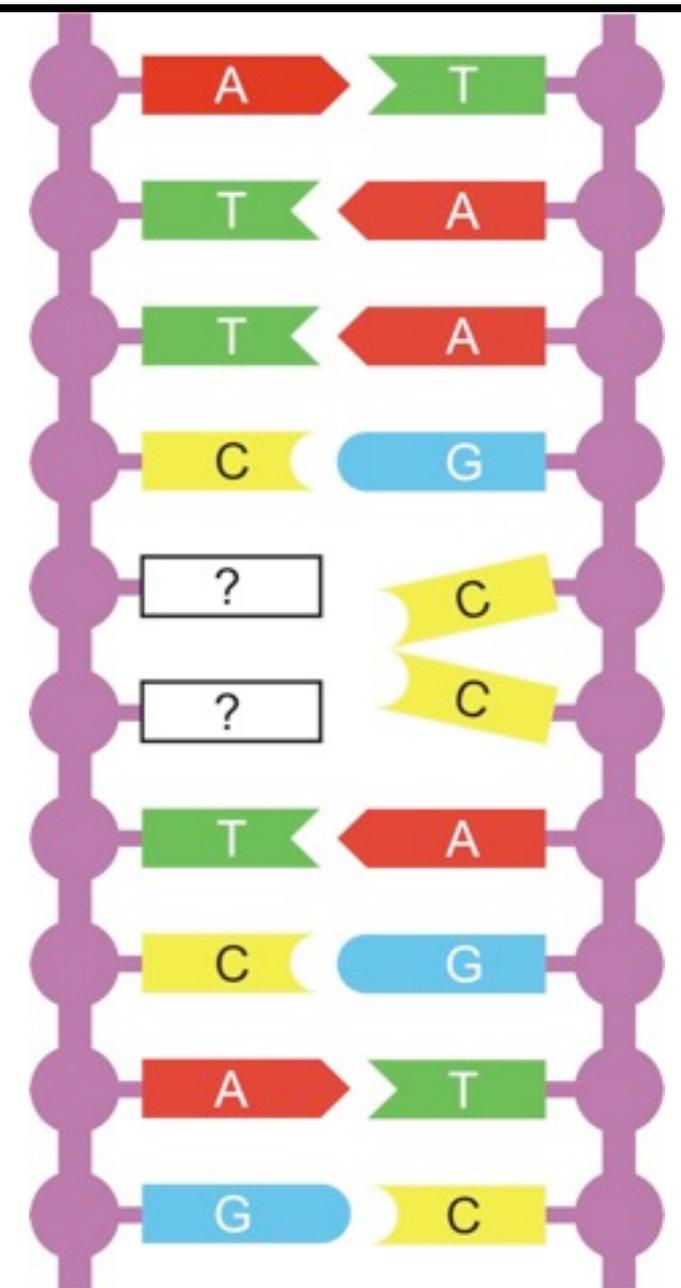
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# non-adiabatic chemistry

David R. Yarkony:

“Non-adiabatic processes are at the center of any approach to efficiently harvest solar energy”

“Biological systems have developed elegant protein-chromophore systems for harvesting and utilizing visible and higher-energy photons”

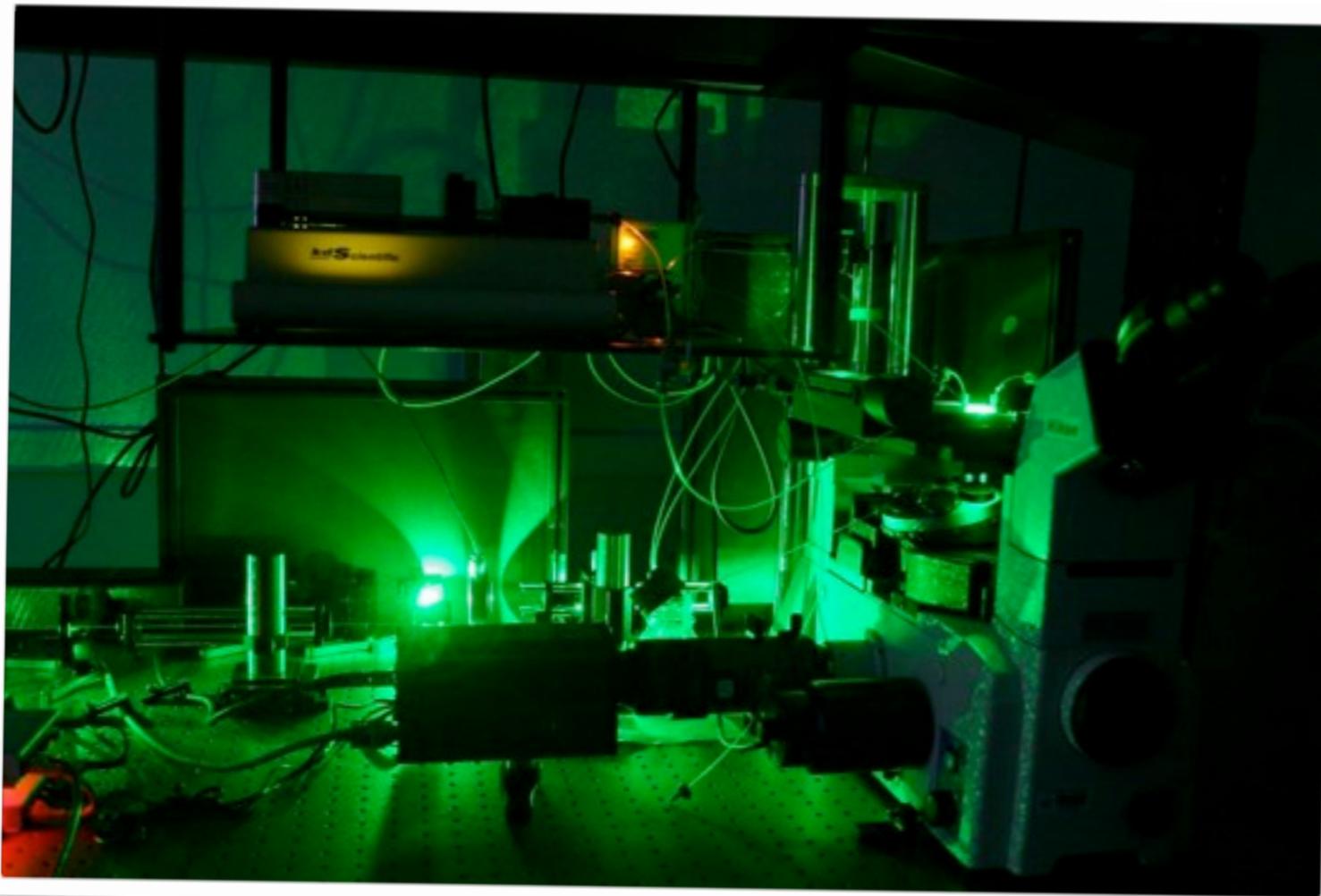
# non-adiabatic chemistry

experiment

provides data

time-resolved spectroscopy (pump-probe)

UV/vis, IR/midIR, x-ray, ...



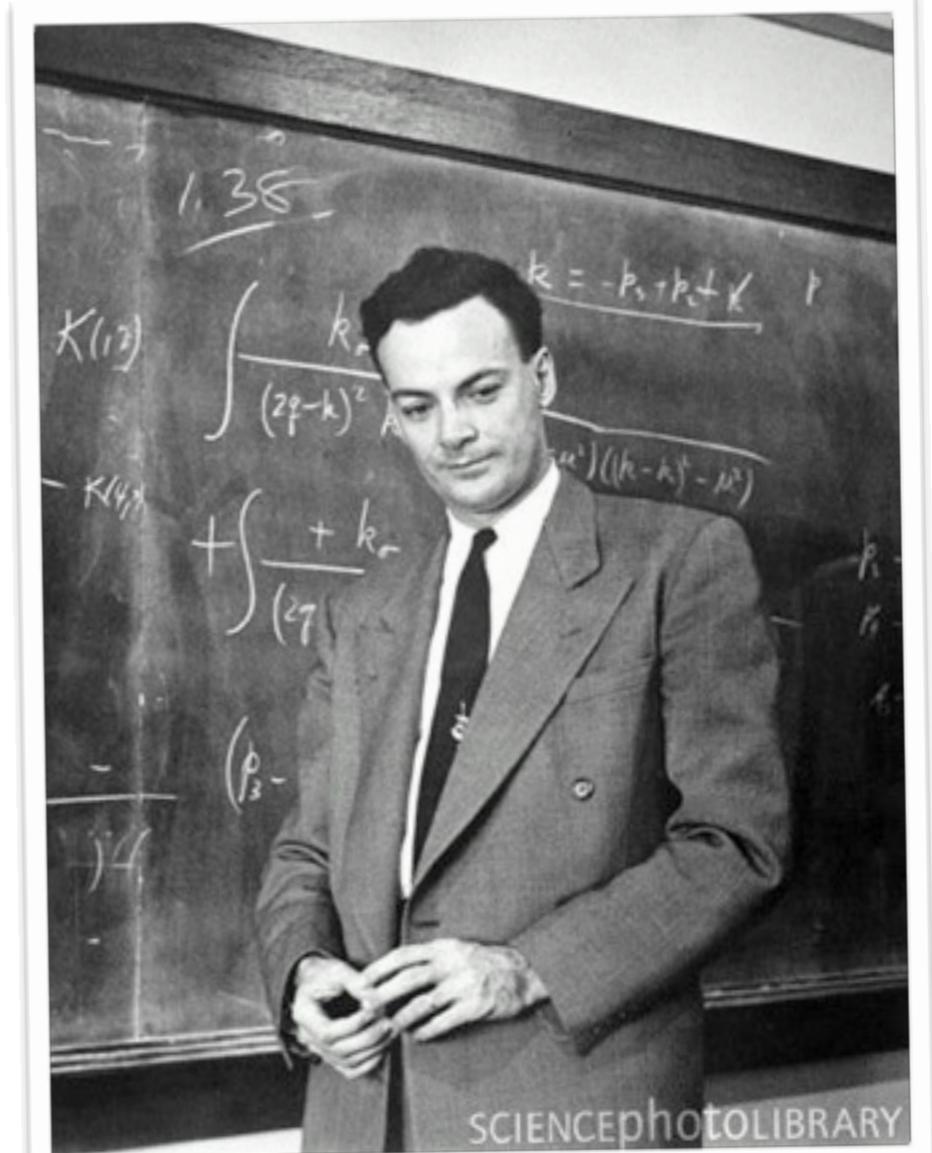
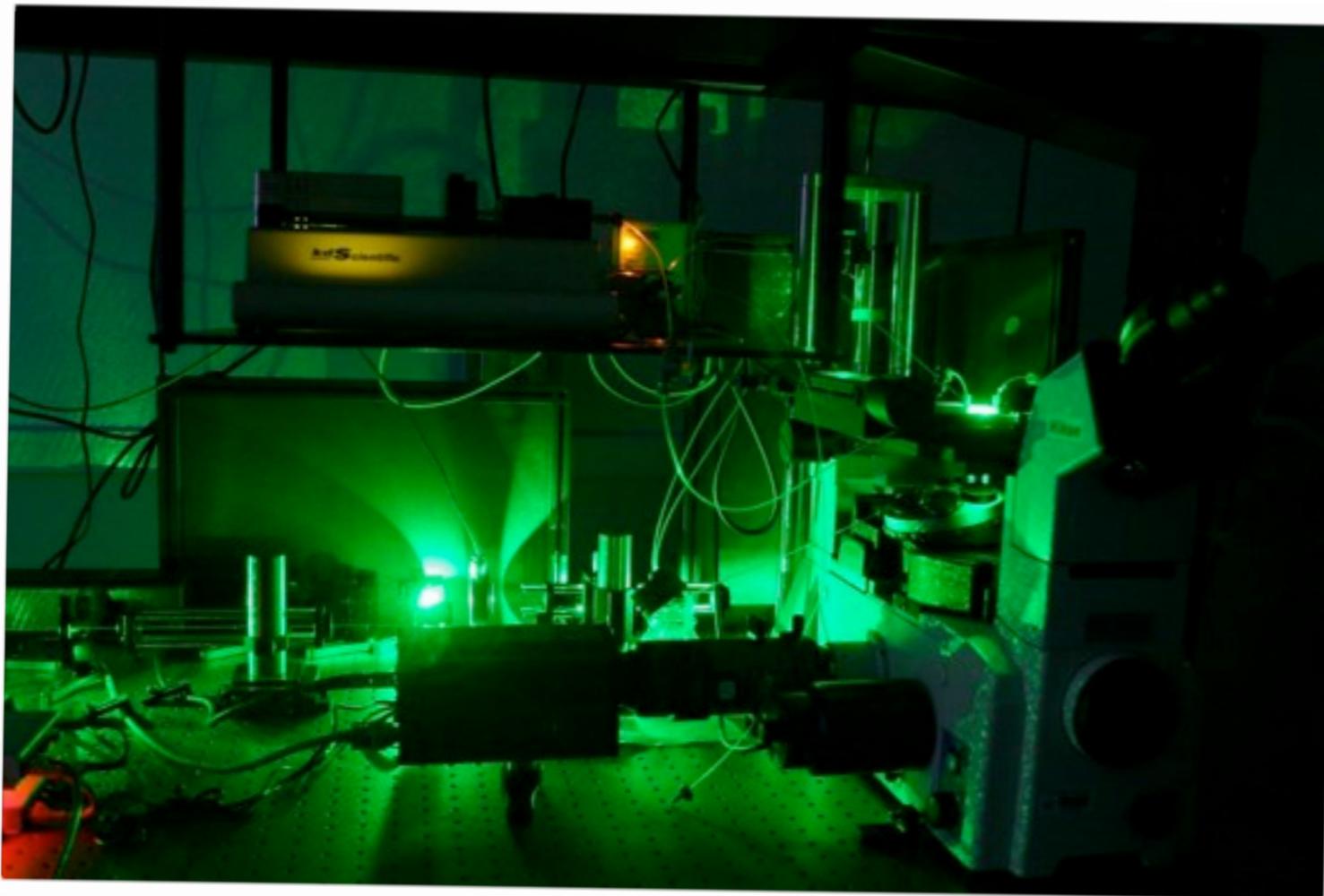
# non-adiabatic chemistry

theory

provides concepts

explain

predict



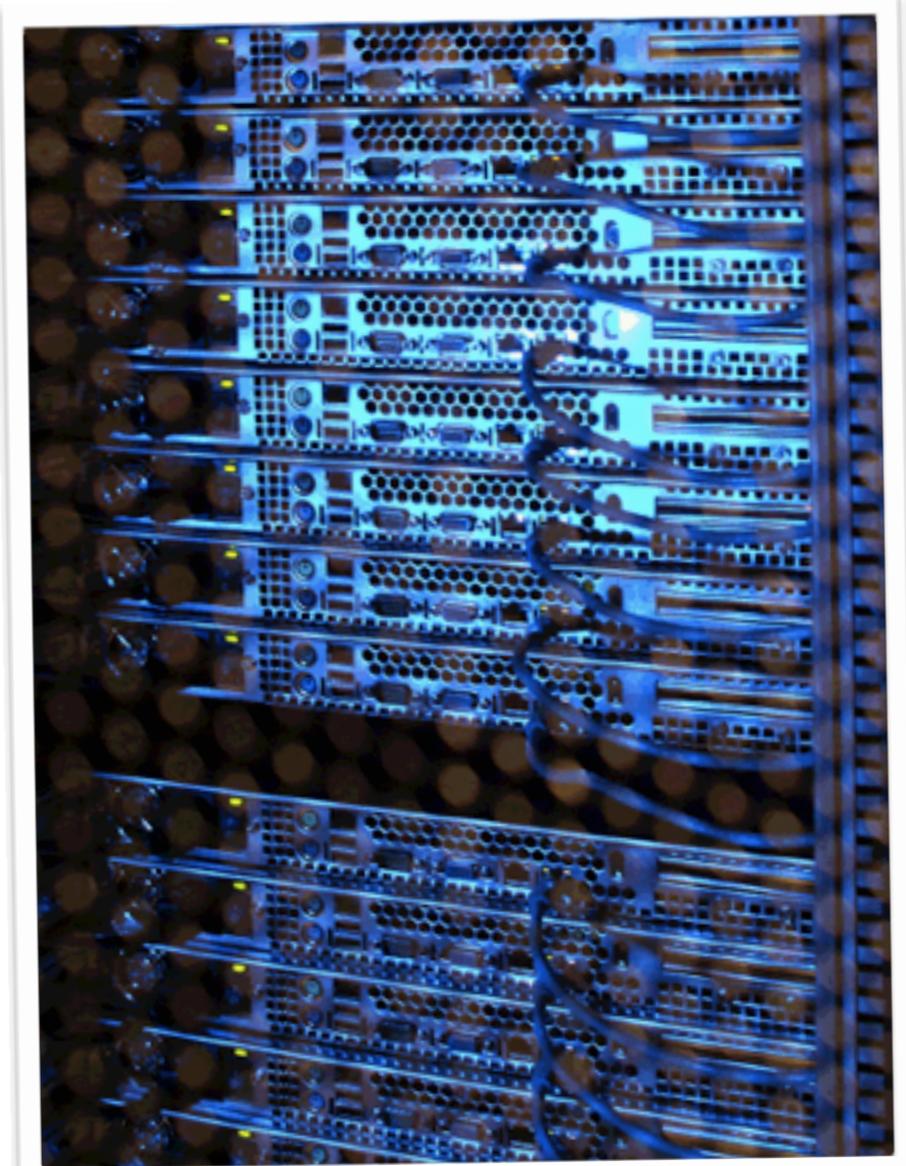
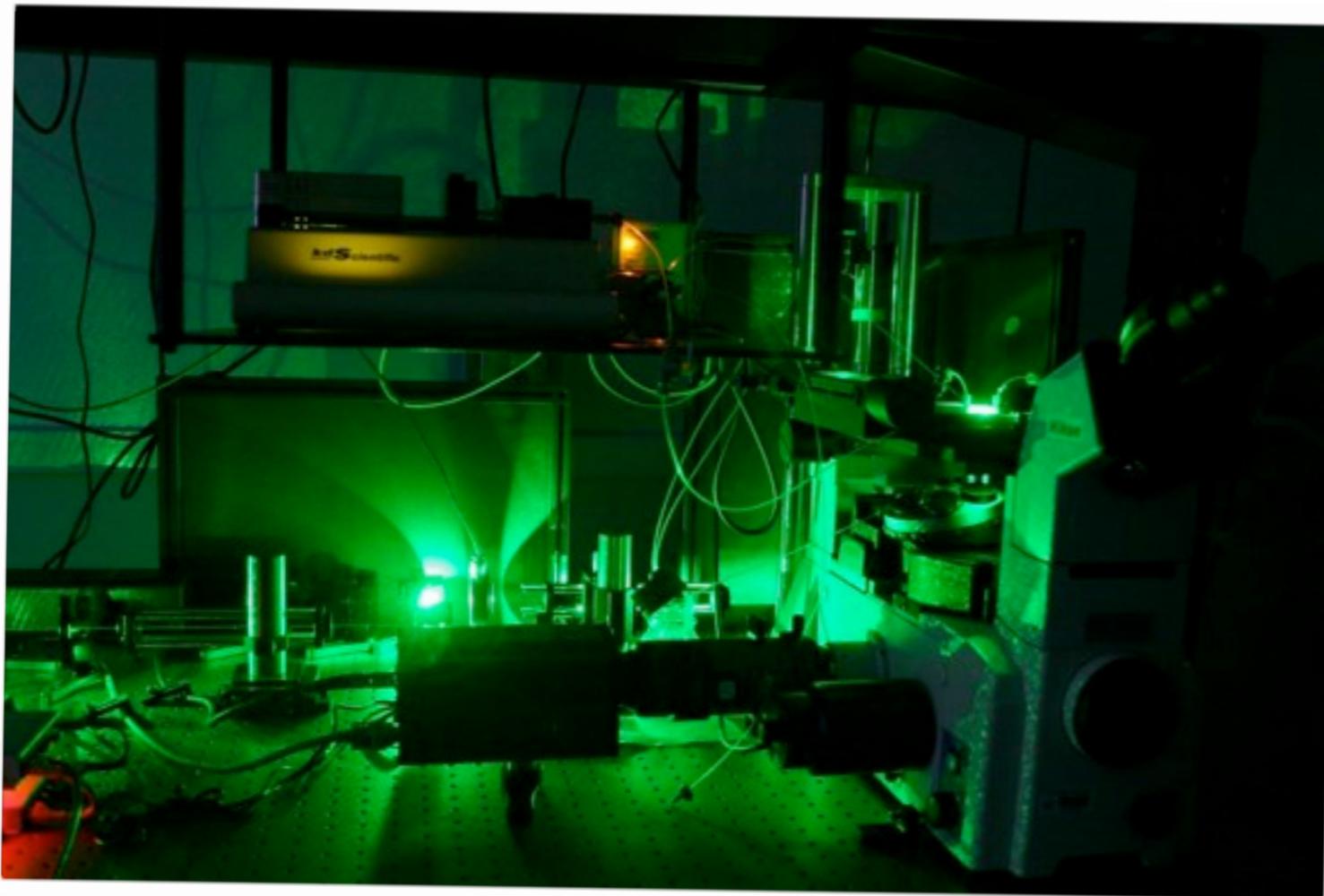
# non-adiabatic chemistry

computation & simulation

provides data (predictions)

like experiment (in my view)

fills gaps in time & length scale



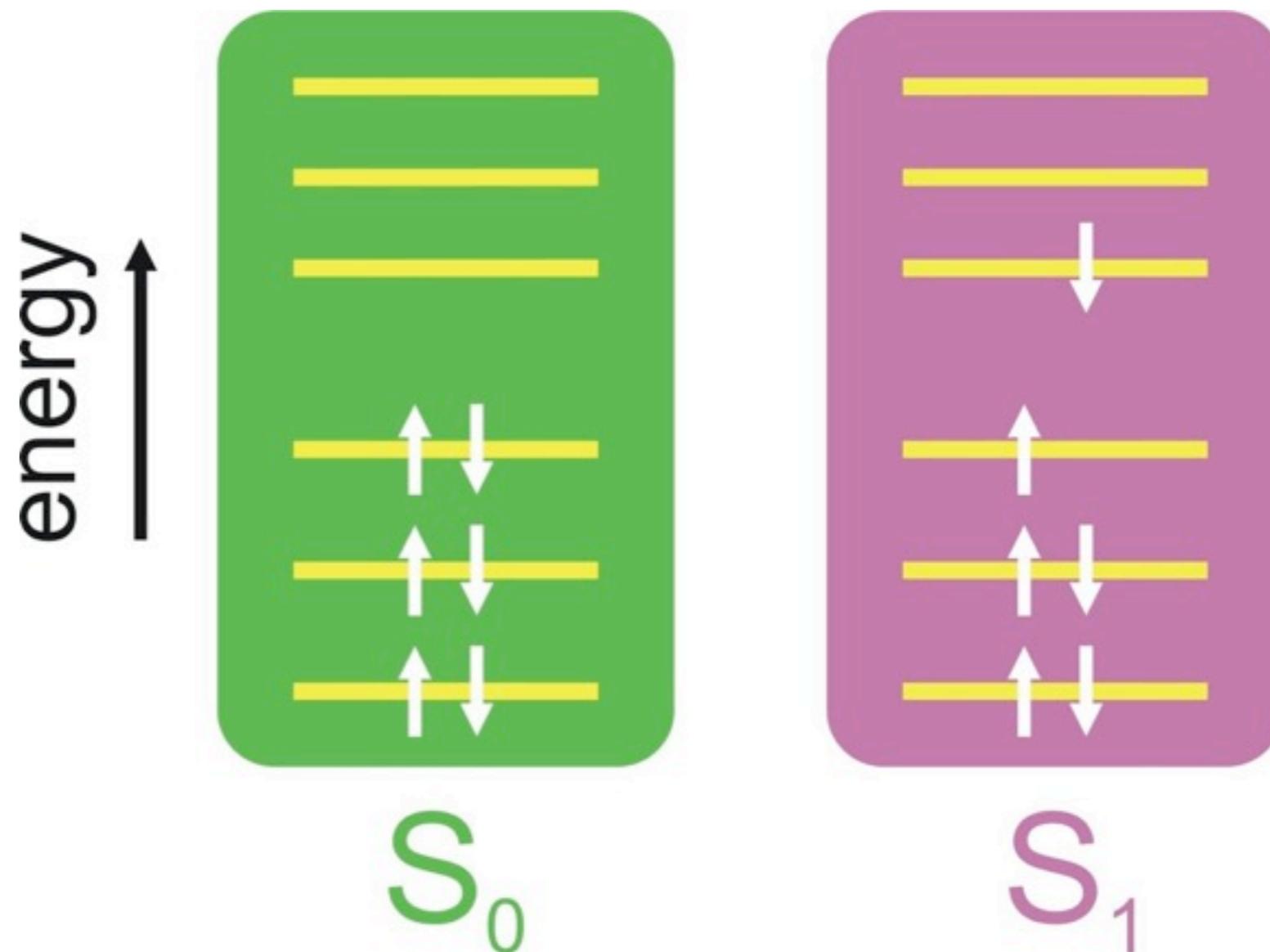
# preview excited state quantum chemistry

electronic excitation

multi-configuration methods

CASSCF, CASPT2, ...

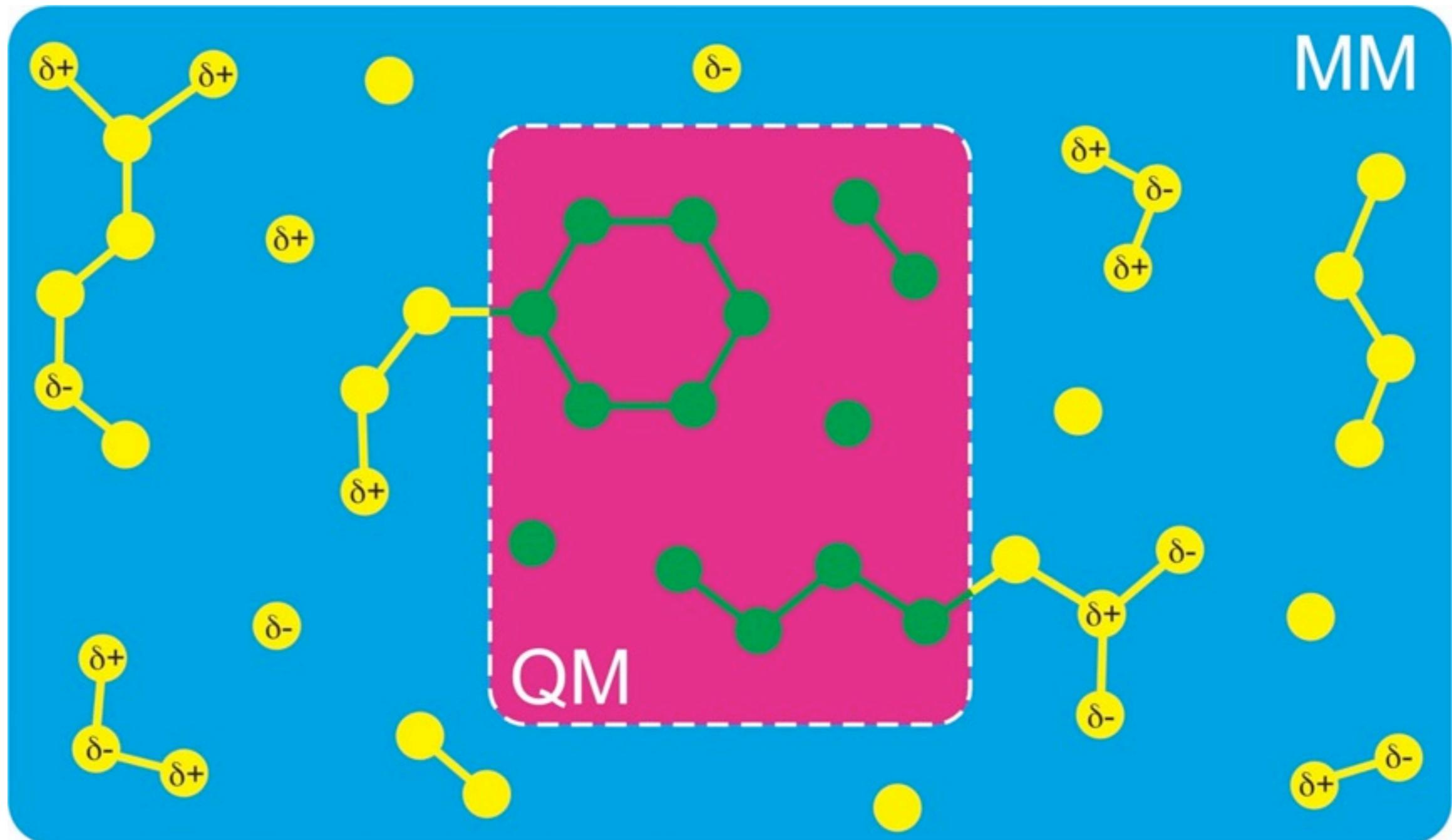
limited to small systems (up to 40 atoms)



# preview QM/MM (see also Bernd)

hybrid quantum mechanics/molecular mechanics

on the fly QM/MM MD simulations



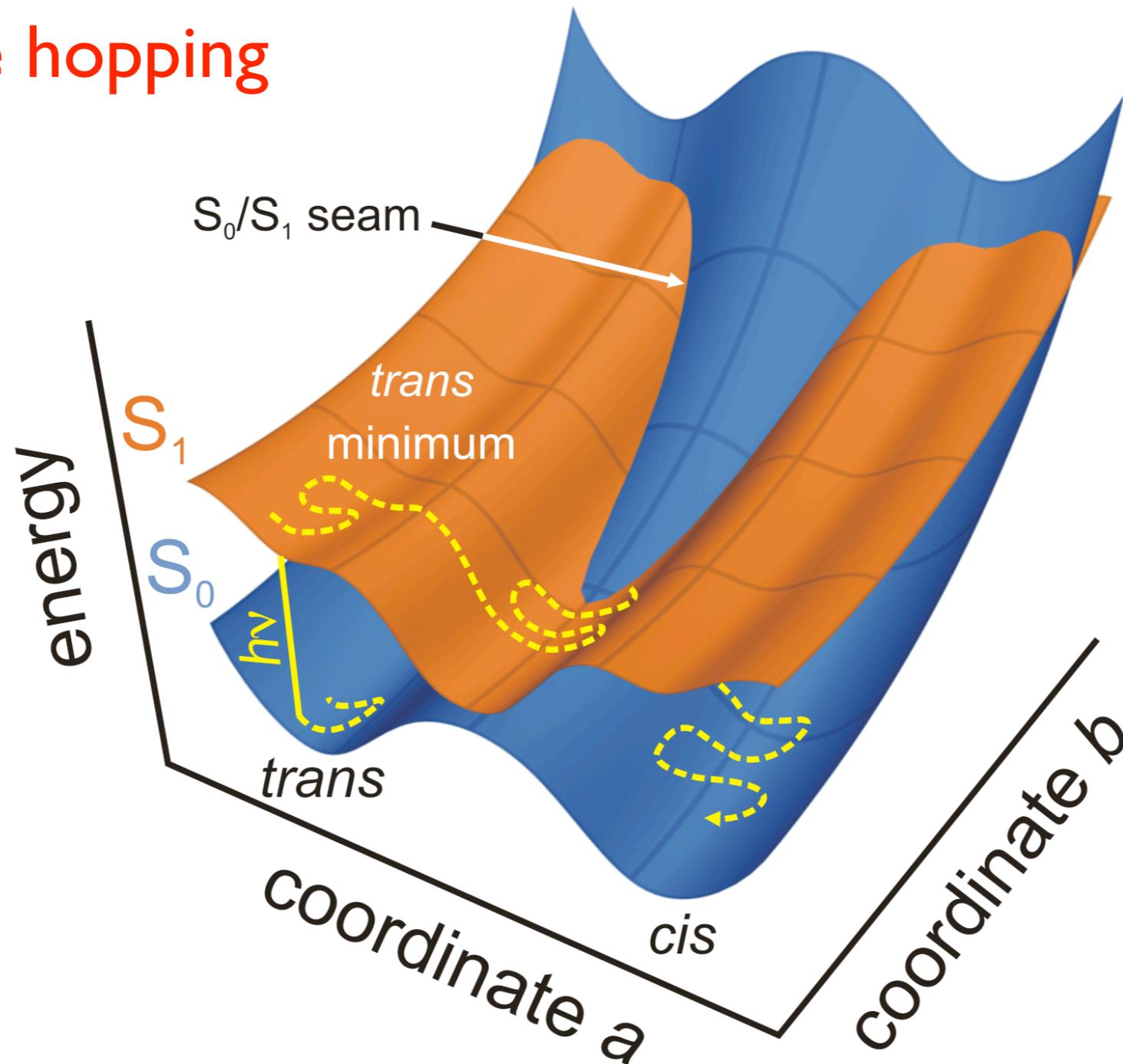
# sneak III (non-adiabatic dynamics)

seam between potential energy surfaces ( $S_1$  and  $S_0$ )

conical intersection

radiationless transitions to ground state ( $S_0$ )

surface hopping



# computational photochemistry

## goals

mechanistic details

interpretation of measurements

control photoreactivity

## biological systems

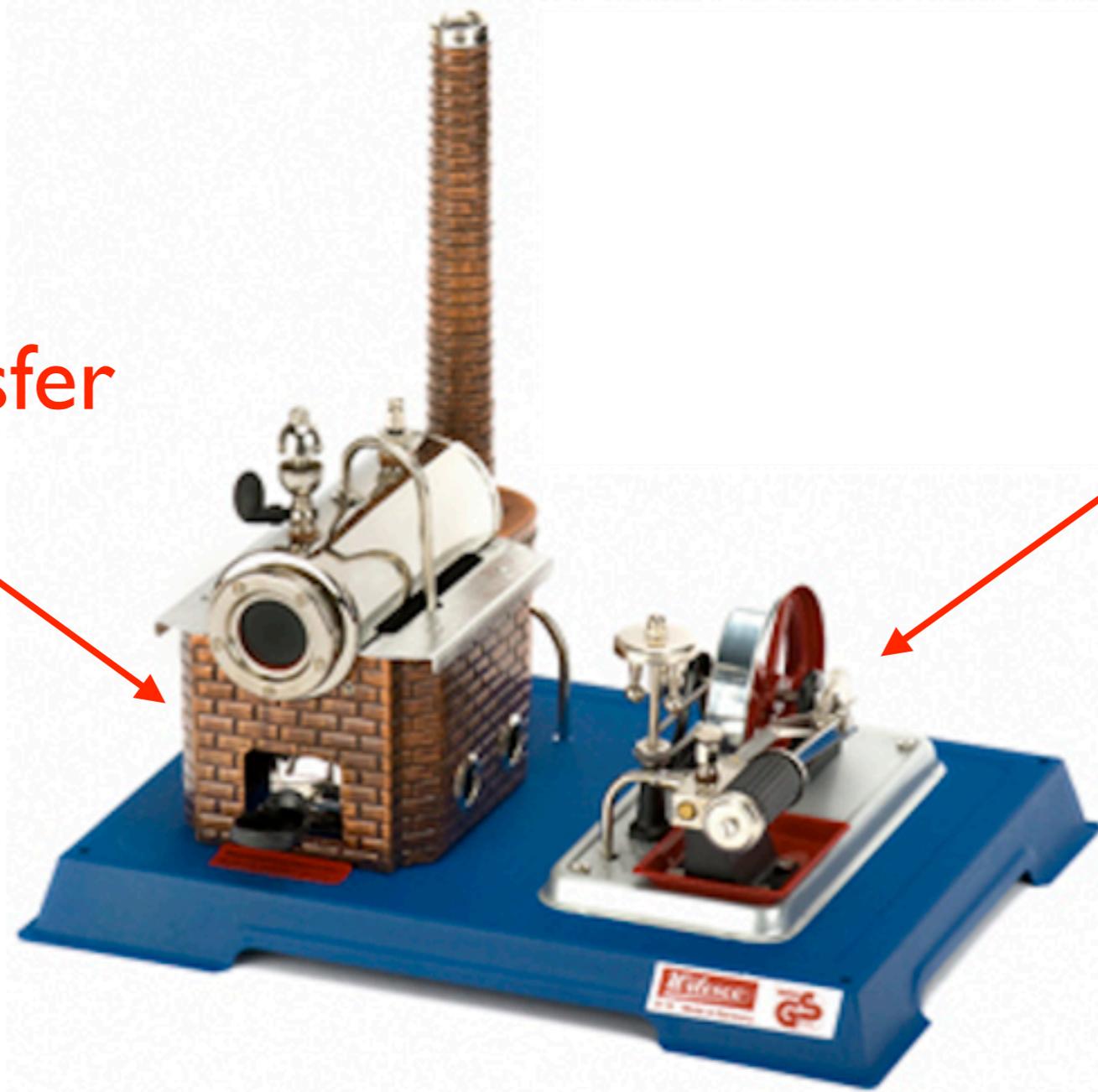


# Our ultimate goal

arteficial molecular machines

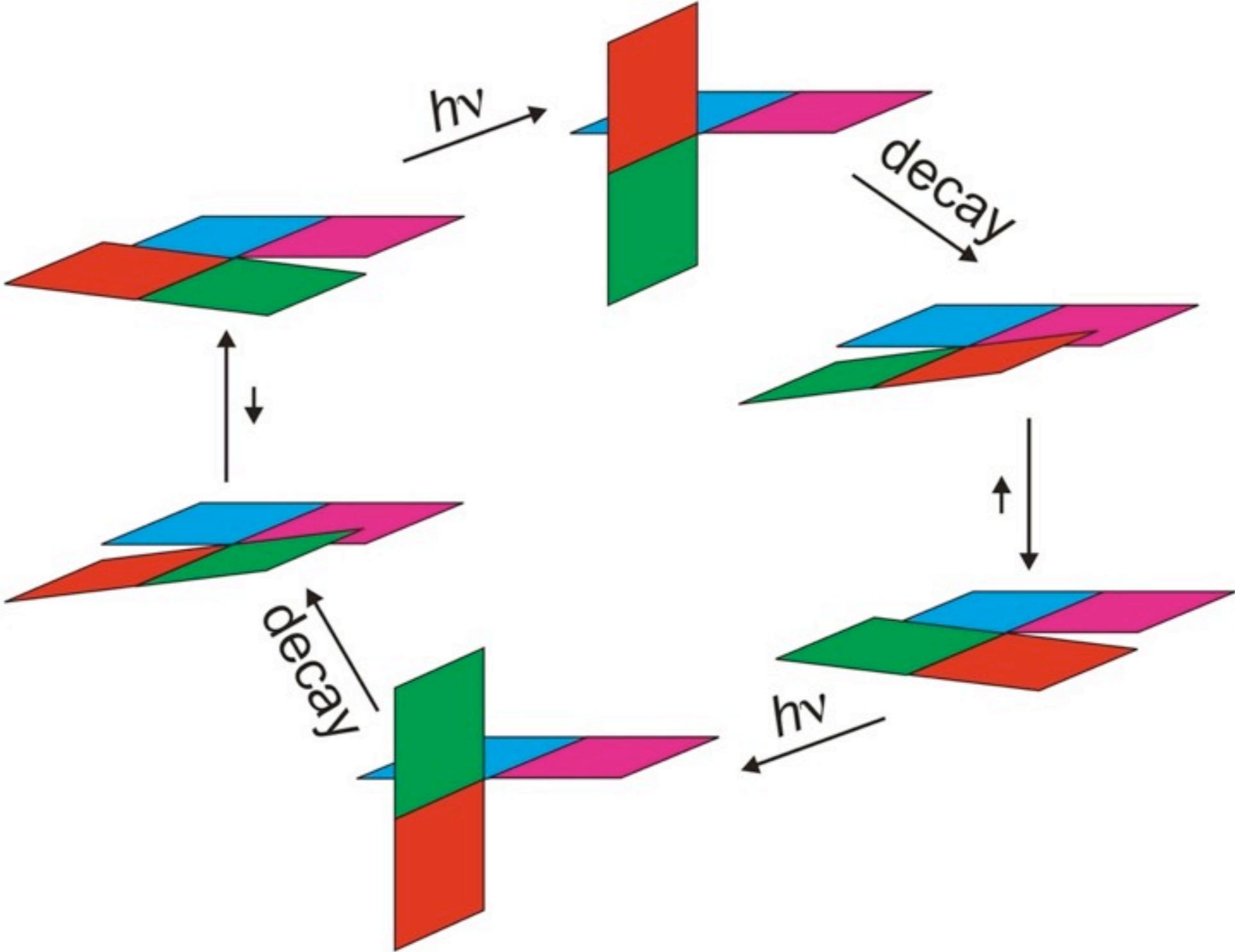
energy transfer

isomerization



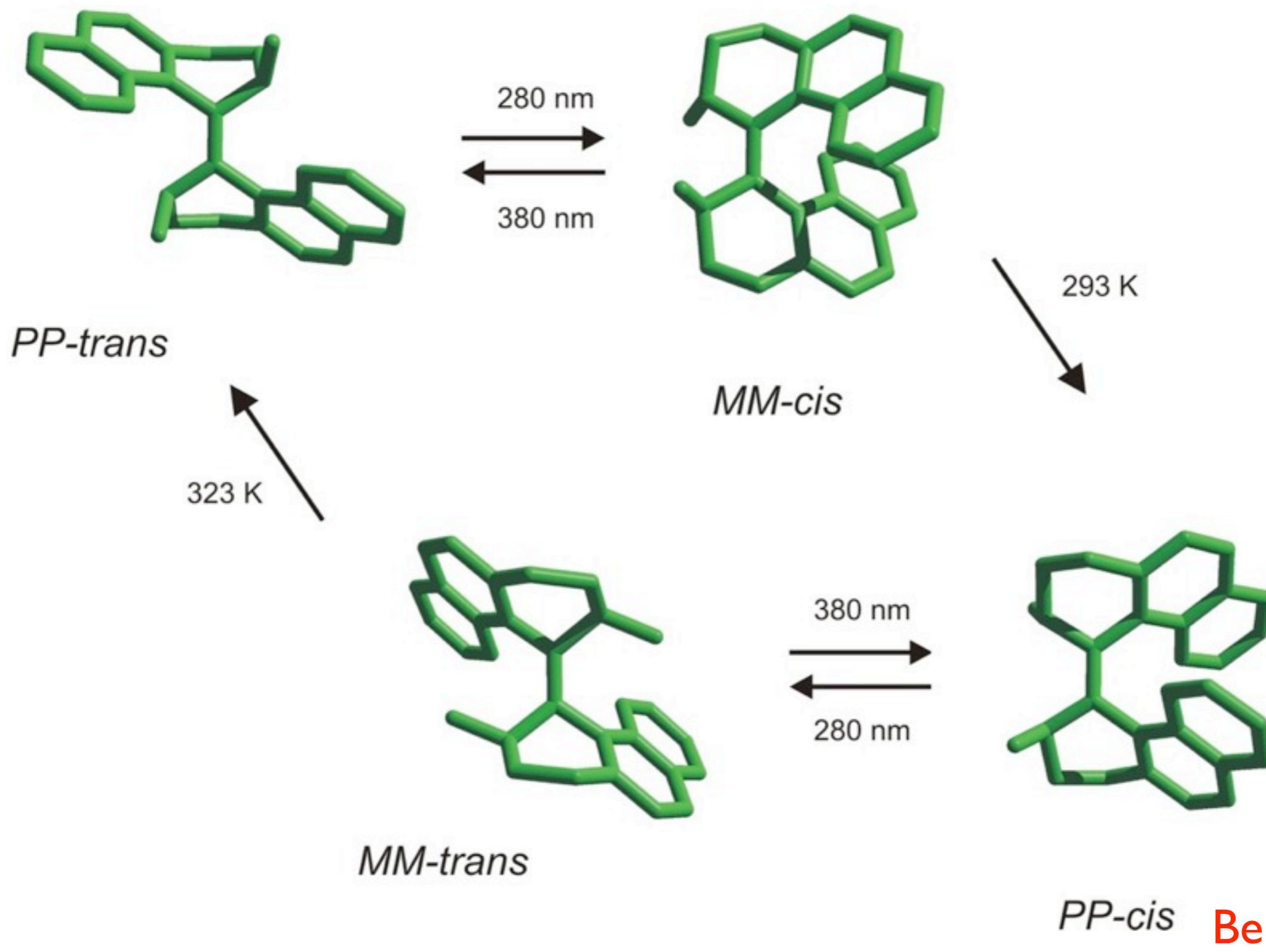
# Light driven molecular motors

## design principle



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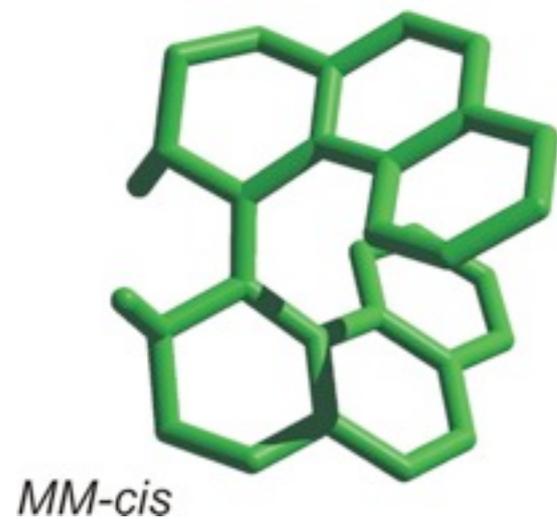
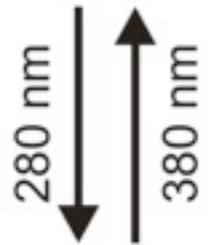
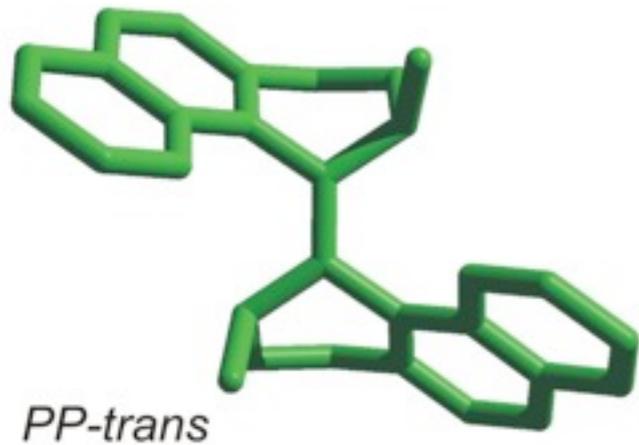
## chiral over-crowded alkenes



Ben Feringa

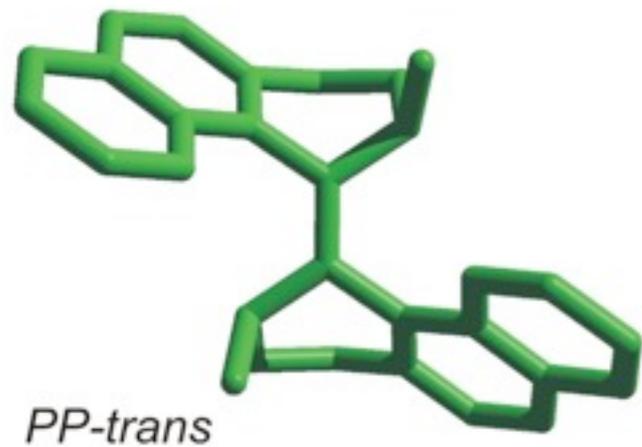
# Observe while it happens: molecular motors

catching the photo-isomerizations in the act

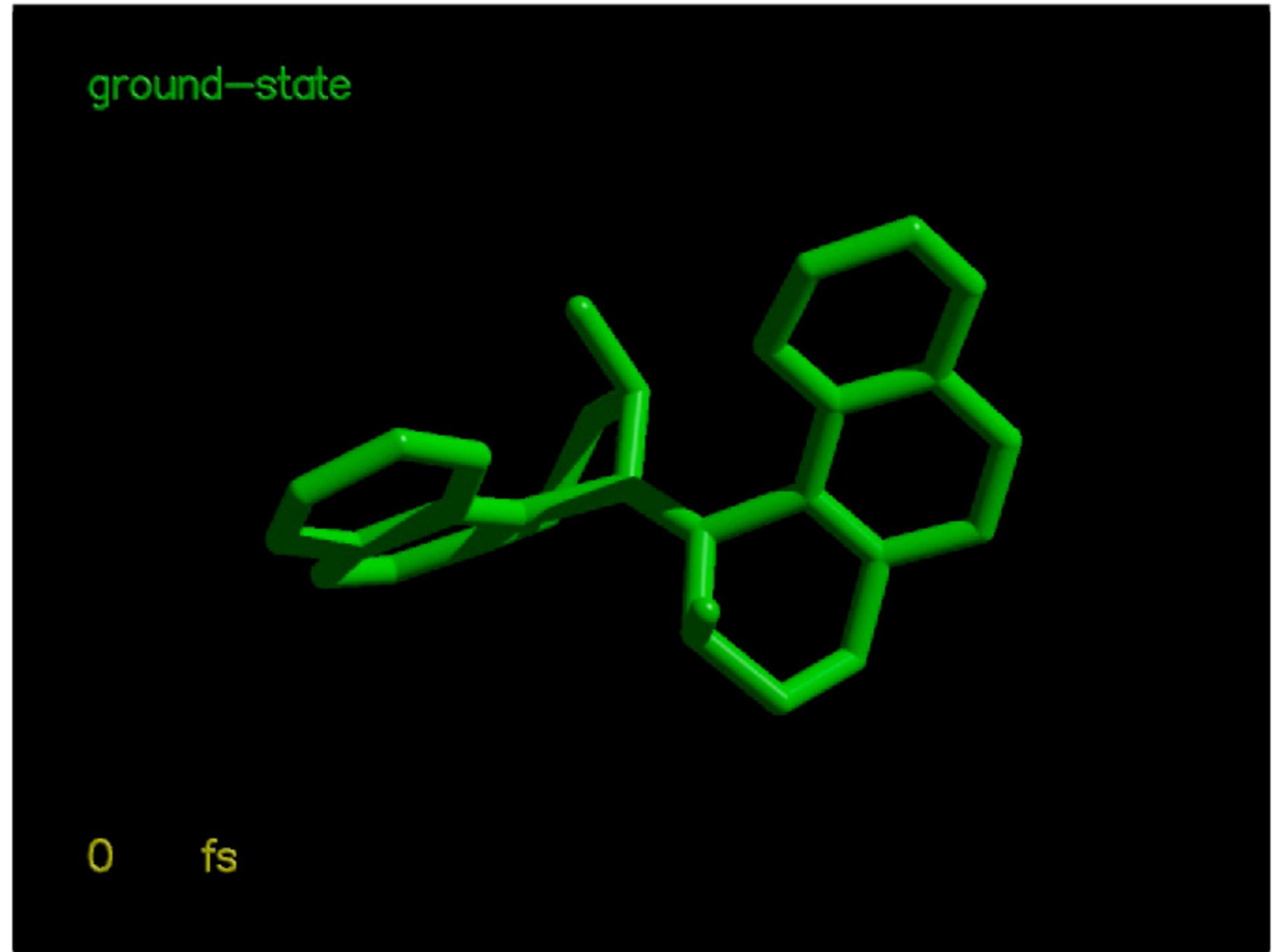
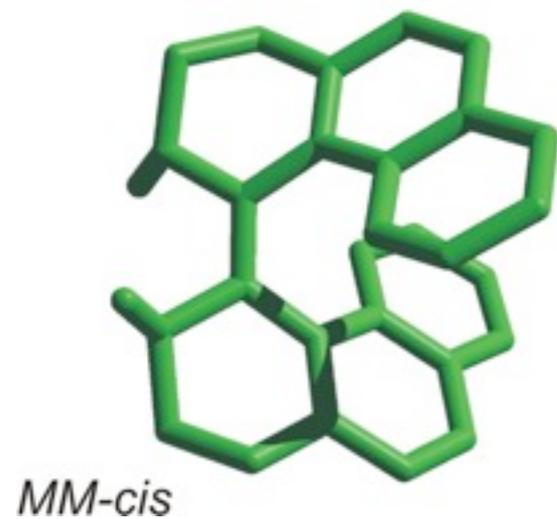


improve isomerization quantum yield (towards 100%)

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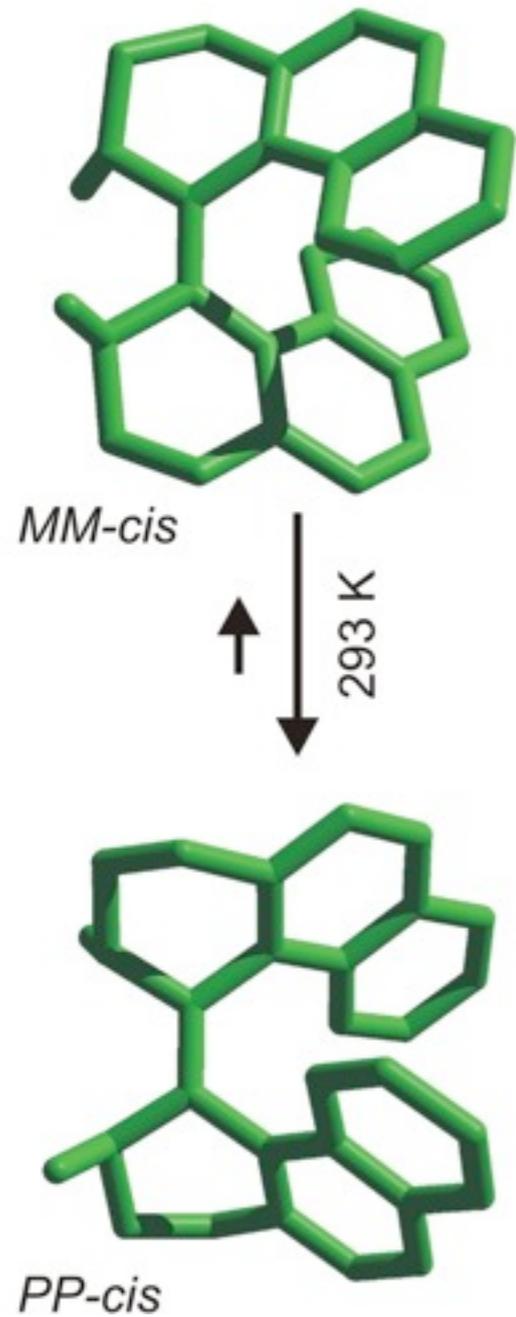
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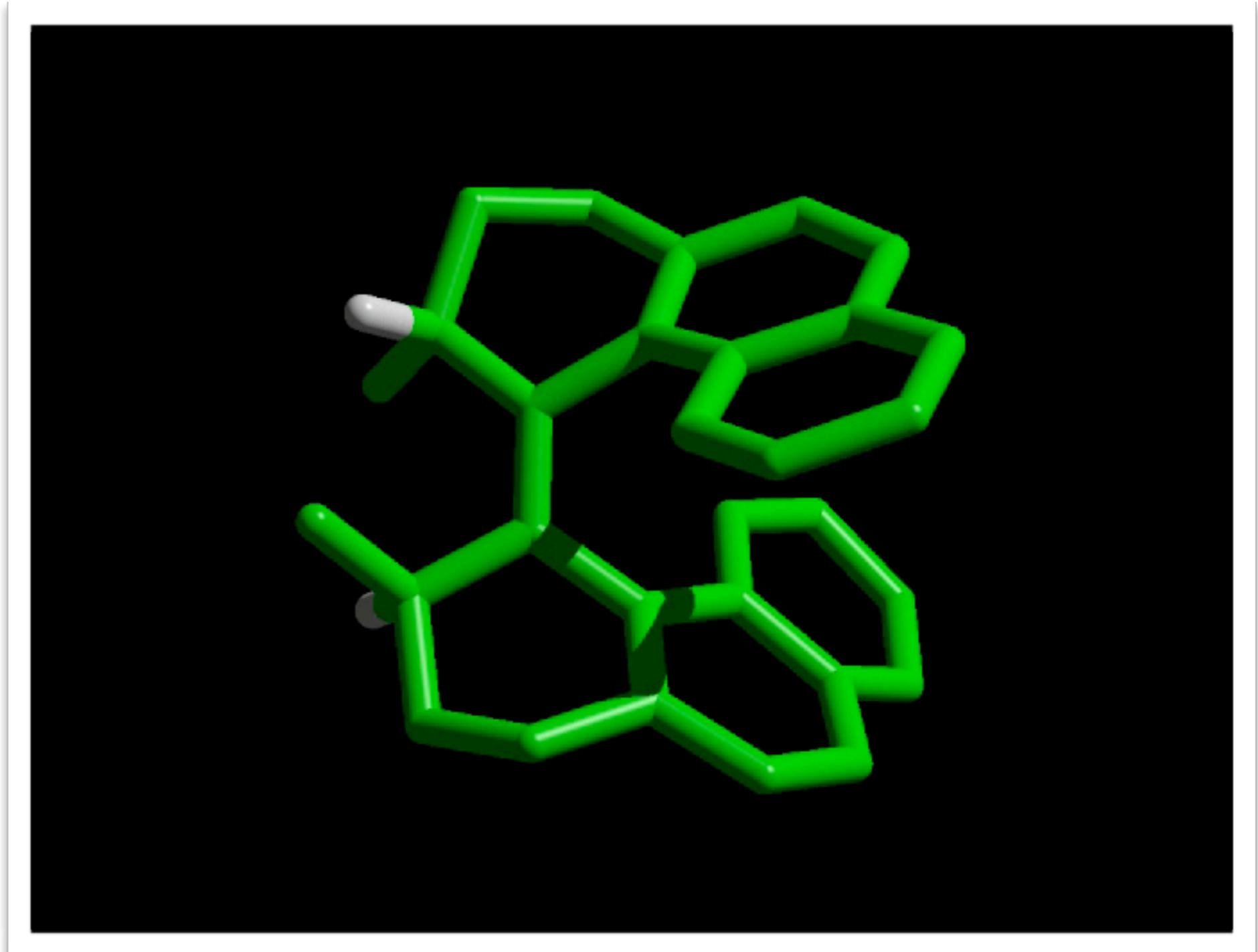
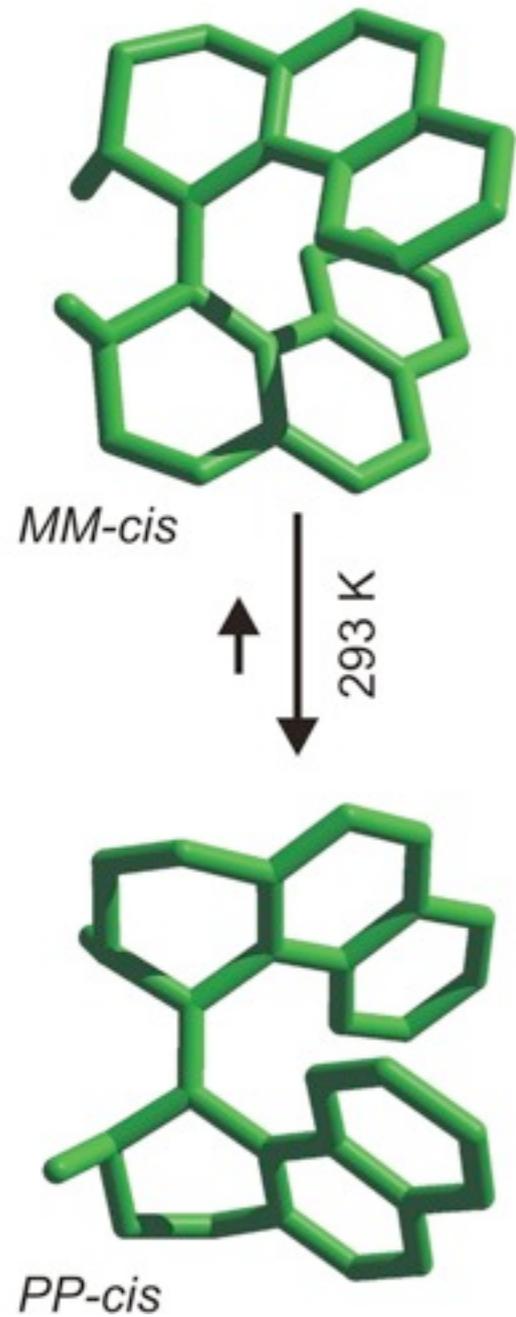
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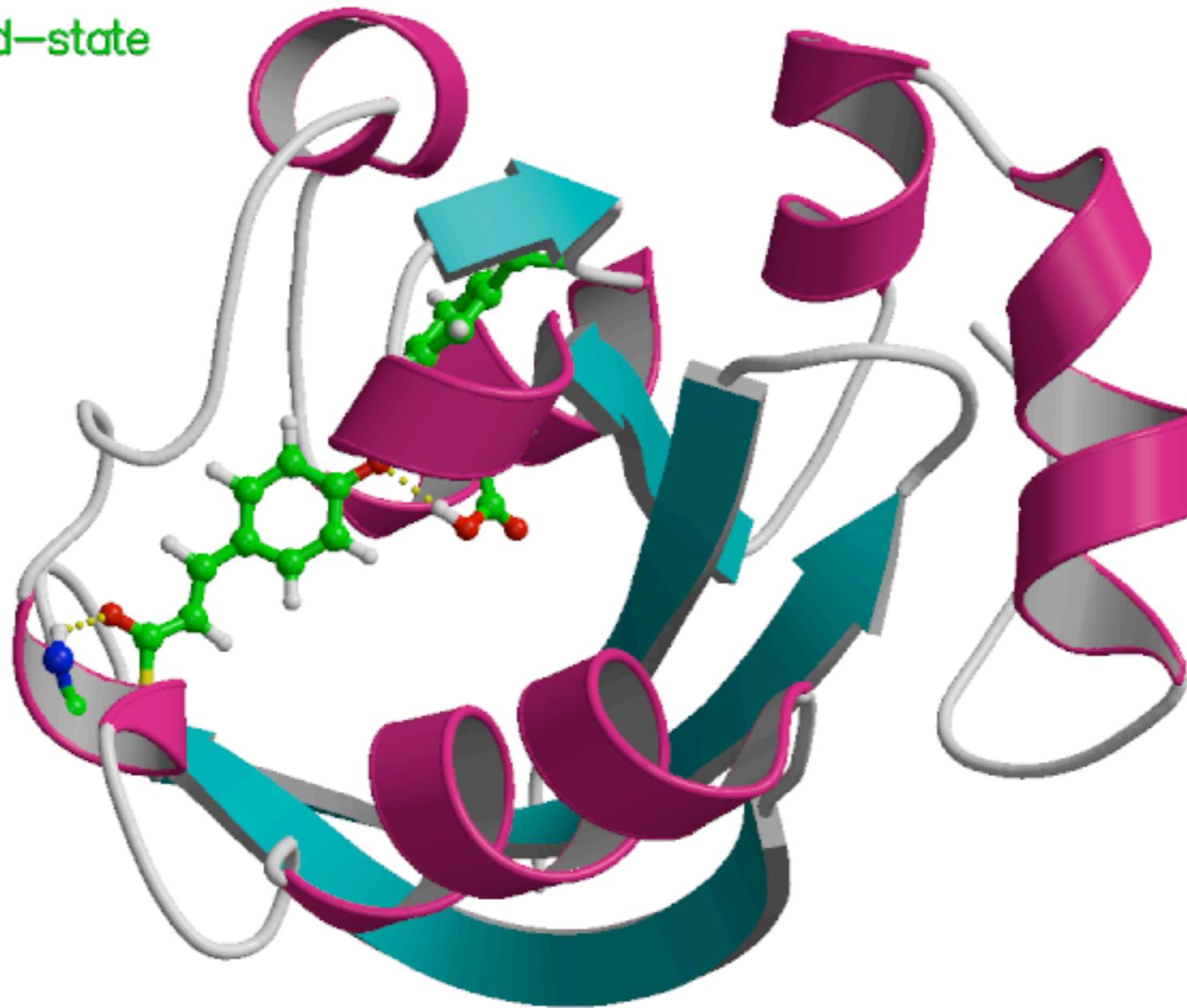
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ground-state

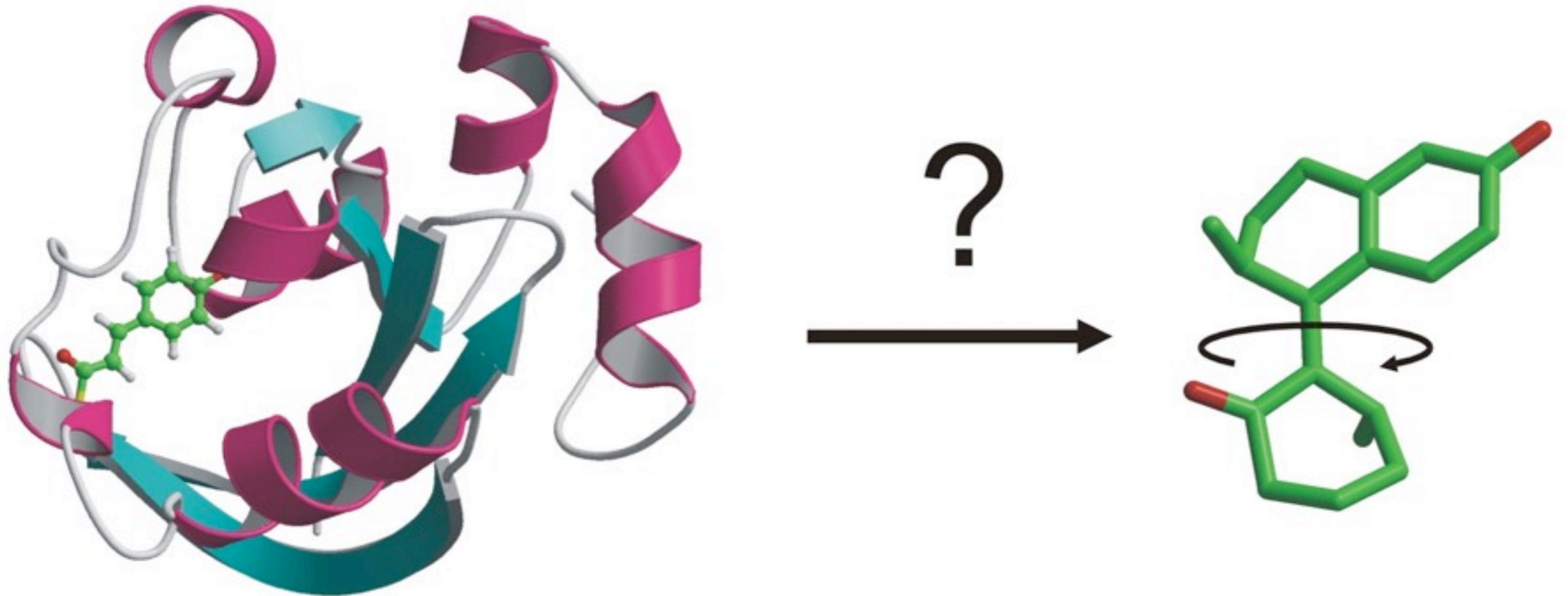


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however...

still too complex, even in our simulations

# Menu

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role of non-adiabatic dynamics in  
Excitation Energy Transfer (EET)

all dishes served with examples!!!

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

central to chemistry

separation slow (nuclear) and fast (electronic) motion

light electrons: QM (HF, DFT, ...), classical (MM)

heavy nuclei: QM (wavepacket/grid), classical (MD)

crux: nuclei move on single electronic PES

large energy gap between electronic states

derivation of Born-Oppenheimer

terms couple nuclear motion on different electronic PES

break down of Born-Oppenheimer approximation

small energy gap between electronic states

near surface crossings (degeneracies)

radiationless transition

adiabatic and diabatic electronic states

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

molecular Schrödinger equation

$$H\Psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi \quad H\Psi = E\Psi$$

molecular Hamilton operator

$$H = T_N + T_e + U(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R})$$

with

$$T_N = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i^{N_N} \frac{\hbar^2}{M_i} \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^2$$

$$T_e = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \sum_i^{n_e} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2$$

$$U(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left( \sum_I^{N_N} \sum_{J>I}^{N_N} \frac{Z_I Z_J}{|\mathbf{R}_A - \mathbf{R}_B|} - \sum_I^{N_N} \sum_k^{n_e} \frac{Z_I}{|\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{R}_B|} + \sum_j^{n_e} \sum_{k>j}^{n_e} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{r}_j|} \right)$$

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

molecular Hamilton operator

$$H = T_N + T_e + U(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R})$$

step 1: clamped nuclei

separation of fast and slow degrees of freedom

$$T_N = 0$$

always possible, not an approximation!

wrong choice: strong coupling between 'fast' and 'slow' motions

consider only electronic degrees of freedom

$$H^e = T_e + U(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R})$$

electronic Schrödinger equation in field of fixed nuclei

$$H^e \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) = V_i(\mathbf{R}) \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

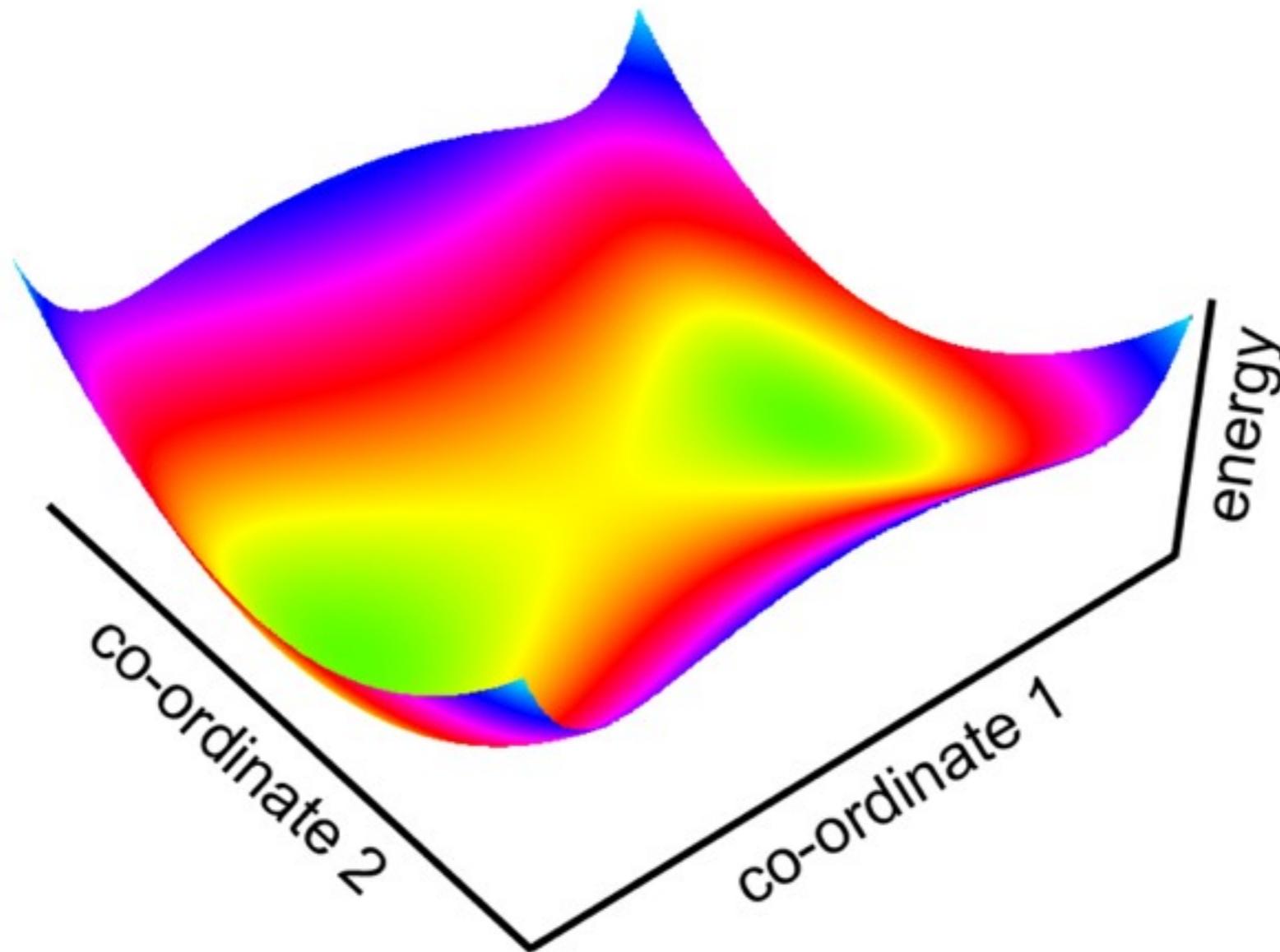
$i \geq 1$ : CI, SA-CASSCF, MRCI

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electronic potential energy surface (PES)



# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

electronic Schrödinger equation in field of fixed nuclei

diagonalize electronic Hamiltonian

$$H^e \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) = V_i(\mathbf{R}) \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

solution form orthogonal basis (or can be made so)

adiabatic electronic states

$$\langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})^* \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) d\mathbf{r} = \delta_{ij}$$

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Born representation: expansion in electronic basis

expansion coefficients are nuclear wavefunctions

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) = \sum_j \chi_j(\mathbf{R}) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}),$$

no approximations so far!

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

molecular wavefunction in Born representation

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molecular hamiltonian

$$H = T_N + T_e + U(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) = T_N + H^e(\mathbf{R})$$

substitute and multiply from left by  $\langle \psi_i |$  and integrate

$$\sum_j \langle \psi_i | H | \psi_j \rangle \chi_j(\mathbf{R}) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_j \langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle \chi_j(\mathbf{R})$$

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using short-hand notation

$$\begin{aligned} H_{ij}(\mathbf{R}) &= \langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | H | \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle \\ &= \langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | T_N | \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + V_i(\mathbf{R}) \delta_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

coupled differential equations

$$\sum_j H_{ij}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_j(\mathbf{R}) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi_i(\mathbf{R})$$

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

elements of nuclear kinetic energy matrix

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \psi_i | T_N | \psi_j \rangle &= \frac{-\hbar^2}{2M_k} \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^2 | \psi_j \rangle \\ &= \frac{-\hbar^2}{2M_k} (\langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} | \psi_j \rangle) \\ &= \frac{-\hbar^2}{2M_k} (\langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle + \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} | \psi_j \rangle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}) \\ &= \frac{-\hbar^2}{2M_k} (\langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^2 \psi_j \rangle + \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + \\ &\quad \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + \langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^2) \\ &= \frac{-\hbar^2}{2M_k} (\langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^2 \psi_j \rangle + 2 \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + \langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^2) \\ &= \frac{-\hbar^2}{2M_k} (G_{ij} + 2\mathbf{F} \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}) + T_N \\ &= T_N \delta_{ij} - \Lambda_{ij}\end{aligned}$$

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

substitute and multiply from left by  $\langle \psi_i |$  and integrate

$$\sum_j H_{ij}(\mathbf{R}) \chi_j(\mathbf{R}) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi_i(\mathbf{R})$$

collect all couplings in special operator

$$H_{ij}(\mathbf{R}) = [T_N + V_i(\mathbf{R})] \delta_{ij} - \Lambda_{ij}$$

coupled equations

coupling between nuclear wavepackets on different electronic PES

coupling due to nuclear kinetic energy operator operating on electrons

kind of resonance with energy exchange

$$[T_N + V_i(\mathbf{R})] \chi_i(\mathbf{R}) - \sum_j \Lambda_{ij} \chi_j(\mathbf{R}) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi_i(\mathbf{R})$$

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non-adiabatic coupling operator matrix elements

$$\Lambda_{ij}(\mathbf{R}) = \sum_k \frac{\hbar^2}{2M_k} [2\mathbf{F}_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R})\nabla_{\mathbf{R}_k} + G_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R})]$$

with elements

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R}) = \langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}_k} \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle \text{ non-adiabatic coupling vector}$$

$$G_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R}) = \langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}_k}^2 \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle \text{ scalar coupling}$$

inversely proportional to nuclear mass!

small terms due to mass difference, but...

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

non-adiabatic coupling vector

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R}) = \langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}_k} \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle$$

using the following relation

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H^e(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} V_j(\mathbf{R}) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

and some lines of algebra to show that

Hellman-Feynmann term

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{\langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}_k} H^e | \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle}{V_j - V_i}$$

... coupling inversely proportional to energy gap!

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

non-adiabatic coupling matrix element

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R}) = \langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}_k} \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle$$

no diagonal elements

$$\mathbf{F}_{ii}^k(\mathbf{R}) = 0$$

because

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \langle \psi_i | \psi_i \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_i | \psi_i \rangle + \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_i \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_i \rangle + \text{c.c} = 0$$

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

nuclear Schrödinger in Born representation

$$[T_N + V_i(\mathbf{R})]\chi_i(\mathbf{R}) - \sum_j \Lambda_{ij}\chi_j(\mathbf{R}) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi_i(\mathbf{R})$$

coupling between nuclear wavepackets on different PES

Born-Oppenheimer approximation:  $\Lambda = \Lambda_{ii}$

$$[T_N + V_i(\mathbf{R}) + \Lambda_{ii}]\chi_i(\mathbf{R}) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi_i(\mathbf{R})$$

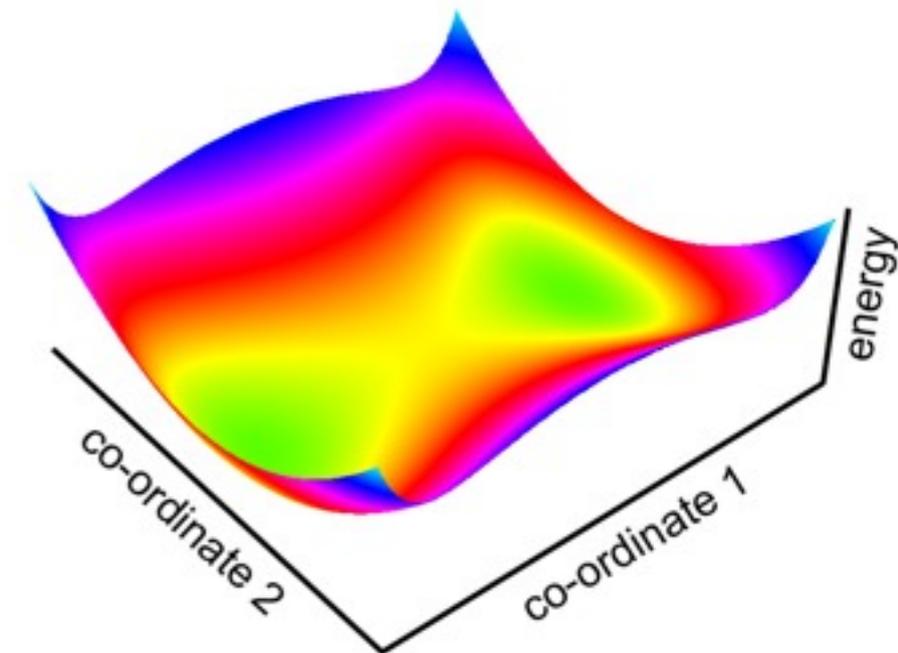
nuclear wavepackets restricted to single electronic PES

$$\Psi_i^{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{r}) = \chi_i(\mathbf{R})\psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

adiabatic approximation:  $\Lambda = 0$

$$[T_N + V_i(\mathbf{R})]\chi_i(\mathbf{R}) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi_i(\mathbf{R})$$

mostly used in quantum chemistry



# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

nuclear Schrödinger in Born representation

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using atomic units and scaled coordinates

$$T_N = -\frac{1}{M} \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}^2$$

$$\Lambda_{ij} = \frac{1}{2M} (2\mathbf{F}_{ij} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + G_{ij})$$

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using the relation

$$\mathbf{G} = \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{F}$$

one arrives (after some frustration) at

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{2M} (\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + \mathbf{F})^2 + \mathbf{V} \right] \chi = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi$$

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

nuclear Schrödinger in vector notation

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{2M} (\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + \mathbf{F})^2 + \mathbf{V} \right] \chi = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi$$

dressed kinetic energy operator

$$\tilde{T}_N = -\frac{1}{2M} (\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + \mathbf{F})^2 \quad \mathbf{F}_{ij} = \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle$$

non local & non diagonal

couples nuclear dynamics on multiple electronic PES

induces radiationless transitions!

potential energy operator

local & diagonal

no coupling

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

non-adiabatic coupling vector

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inversely proportional with gap!

break down of adiabatic approximation!

non-adiabatic dynamics

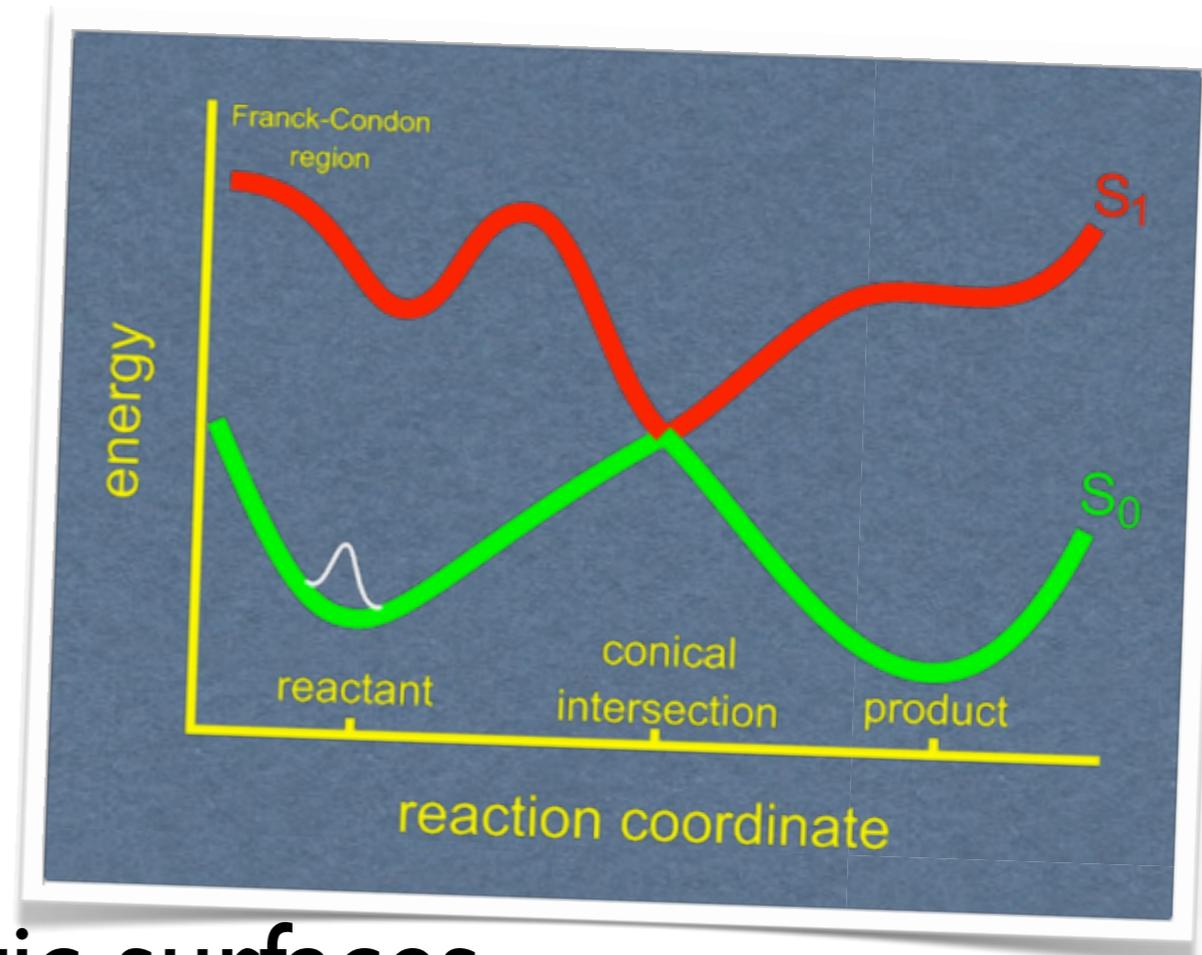
multiple surfaces

branching

interference/coherence

photochemistry

intersection between adiabatic surfaces



# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

adiabatic electronic basis

diagonal & local potential matrix

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non-diagonal & non-local nuclear kinetic energy matrix

$$\langle \psi_i | T_N | \psi_j \rangle = -\frac{1}{2M} (\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} + \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} | \psi_j \rangle)^2$$

coupling in  $\mathbf{F}$

diabatic representation

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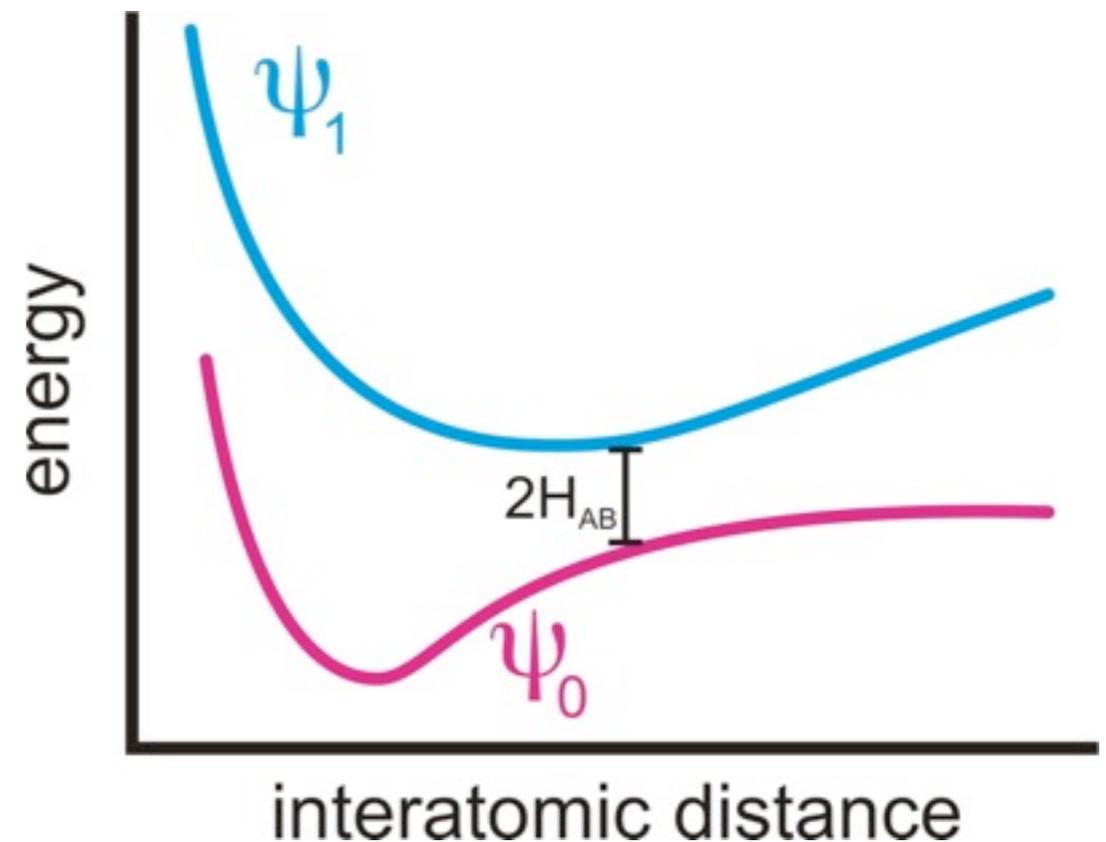
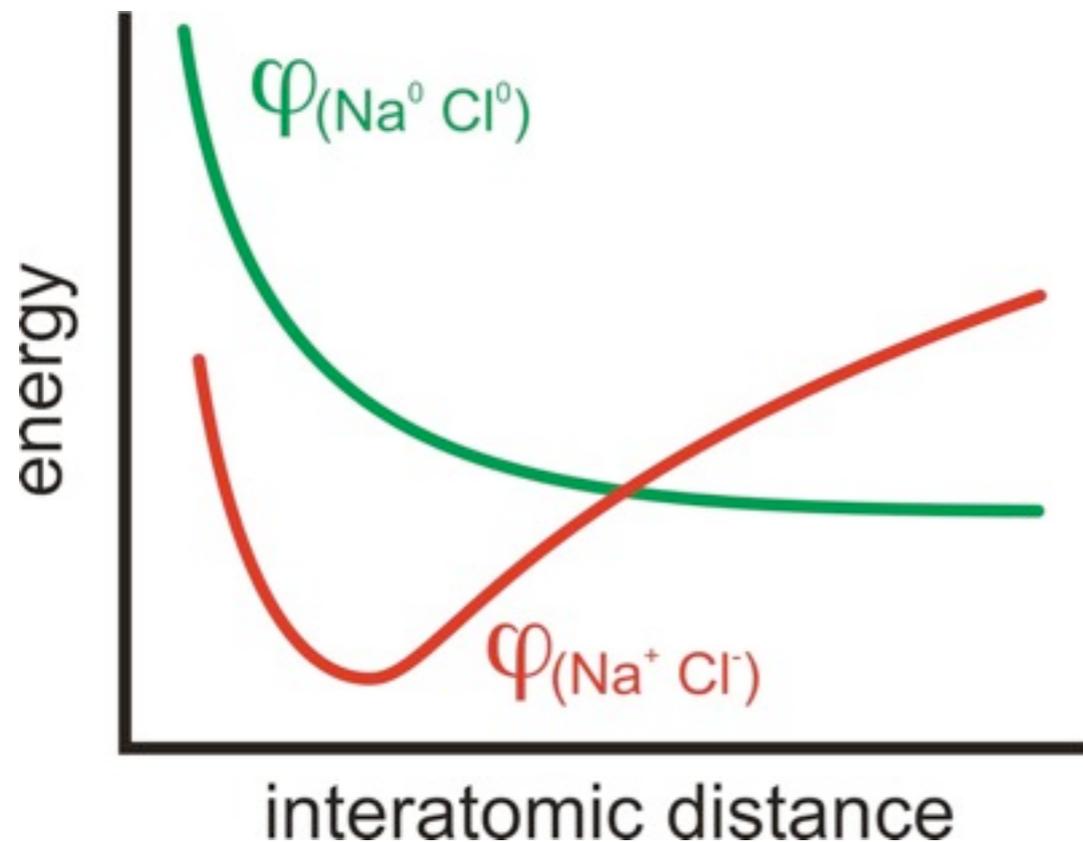
# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

diabatic electronic basis

electronic character preserved

adiabatic electronic basis

electronic character mixed



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molecular Hamiltonian

$$H_{ij} = T_N \delta_{ij} + W_{ij}$$

molecular Schrödinger equation

$$\sum_j H_{ij} \chi_j = T_N \chi_i + \sum_j W_{ij} \chi_j = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \chi_i$$

$$\mathbf{H} \boldsymbol{\chi} = [T_N \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{R})] \boldsymbol{\chi} = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \boldsymbol{\chi}$$

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

construction of diabatic basis

unitary transformation for each nuclear configuration

$$\varphi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) = \sum_j \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) U_{ji}(\mathbf{R})$$

construction of diabatic Hamiltonian

potential matrix

$$\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{U}$$

kinetic energy (diagonal)

$$T_N \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{U}^T \tilde{\mathbf{T}}_N \mathbf{U}$$

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dressed kinetic energy operator

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find  $\mathbf{U}$  such that

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{F} \mathbf{U}}_{\text{green}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{U}^T \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{U}}_{\text{red}} = \mathbf{0}$$

# Born-Oppenheimer Approximation

## derivation

separation between fast and slow degrees of freedom

nuclei move on single adiabatic PES

ignore non-adiabatic coupling

## breakdown

small energy gap between electronic PES

at intersections infinite non-adiabatic coupling

nuclear displacement couple different adiabatic states

highly complicated nuclear wavefunction

## switch to diabatic basis

only electronic coupling

unitary transformation

# Conical Intersection

surface crossings

funnels for photochemical reactions

conditions for crossing

adiabatic representation

two coordinates needed to locate intersection

two coordinates needed to lift degeneracy

topology of intersection

double cone

$2N-8$  dimensional hyperline

properties of intersection

Berry phase

singularity due to separation between electronic and nuclear motion

compensated by nuclear wavefunction (complicated!)

# Conical Intersection

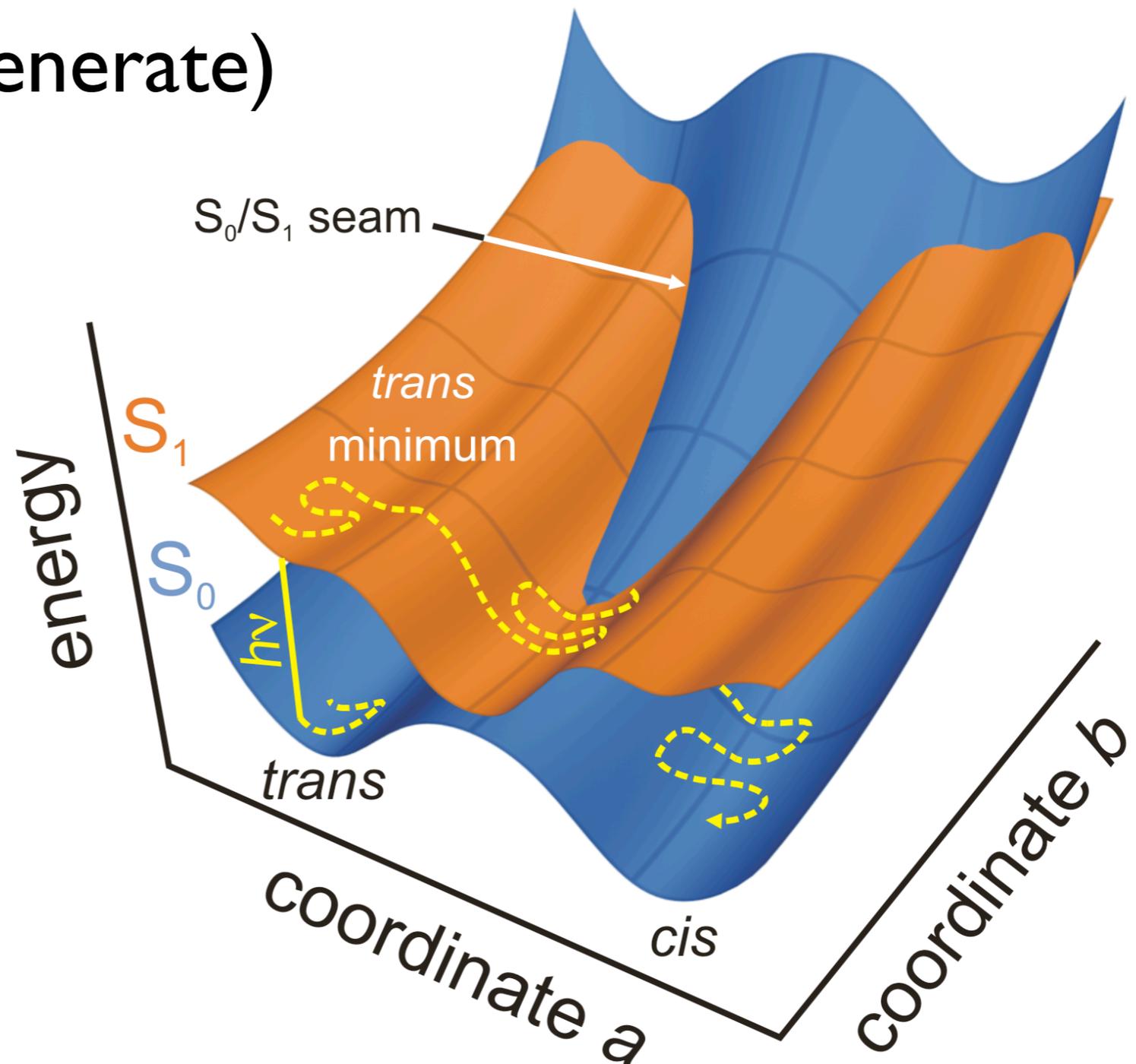
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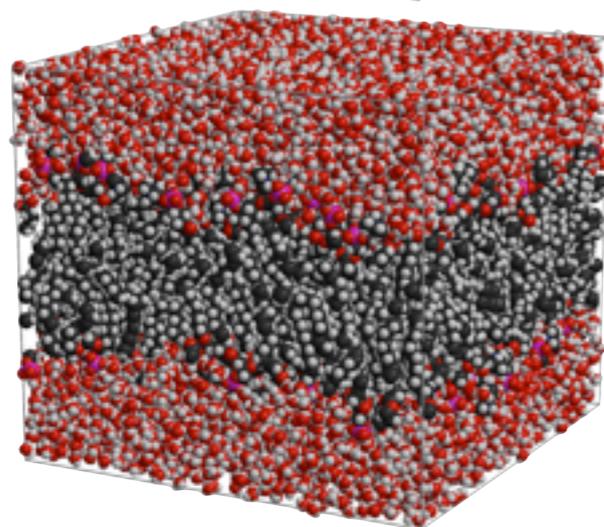
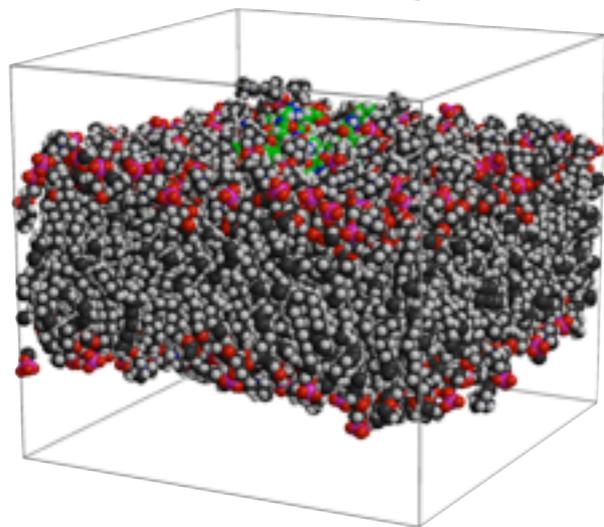
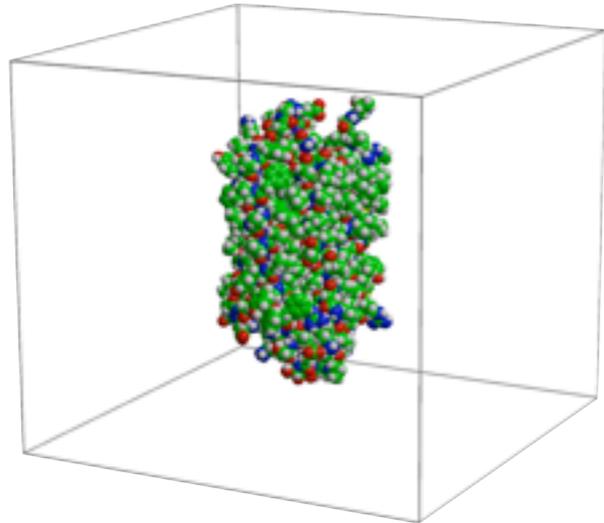
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radiationless decay



# photoisomerization in bacteriorhodopsin

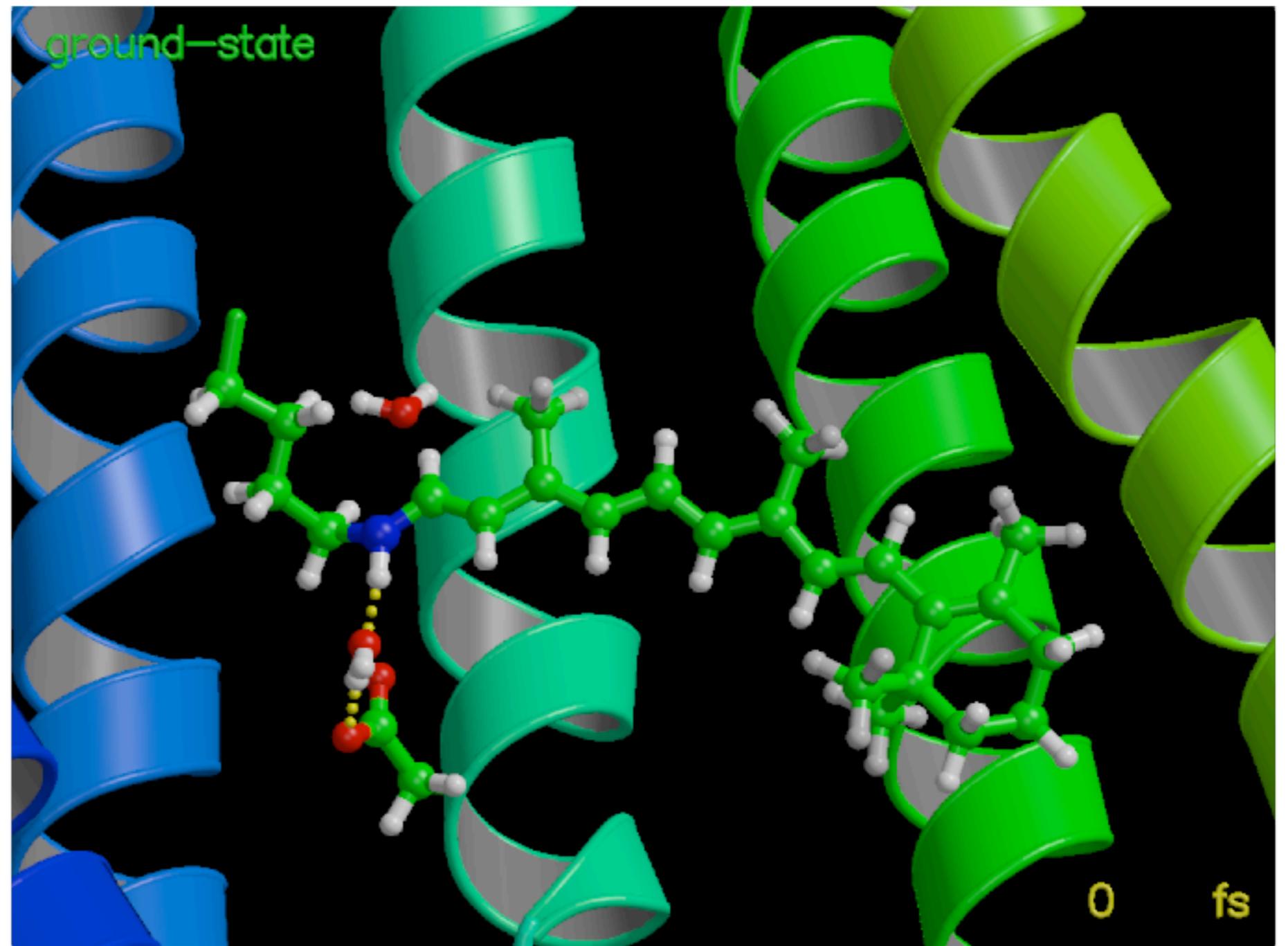
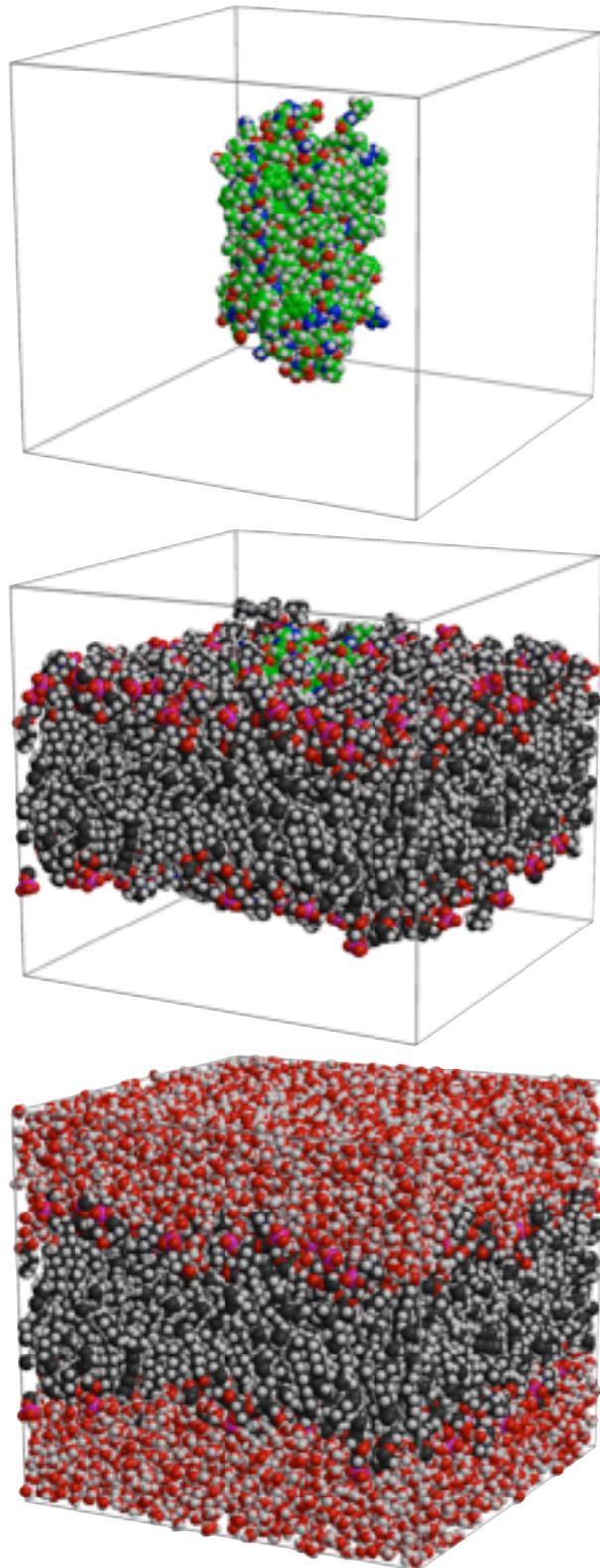
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CASSCF/OPLS & diabatic hopping

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break-down of Born-Oppenheimer

non-adiabatic coupling becomes infinite!

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}^k(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{\langle \psi_i(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}_k} H^e | \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) \rangle}{V_j - V_i}$$

switch to diabatic basis

no non-adiabatic coupling

back to adiabatic basis by diagonalizing  $\mathbf{W}$

# Conical Intersection

degeneracy between two electronic states at  $\mathbf{R}_0$

$$V_1(\mathbf{R}_0) = V_2(\mathbf{R}_0)$$

construct mixed diabatic/adiabatic basis at  $\mathbf{R}_0$

via unitary transformation

$$\{\varphi_2, \varphi_1, \psi_3, \dots, \psi_n\}$$

orthonormal

$$\langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} \quad \langle \varphi_I | \varphi_J \rangle = \delta_{IJ} \quad \langle \varphi_I | \psi_j \rangle = 0$$

diabatic and adiabatic energies for two lowest states

$$E_1(\mathbf{R}_0) = E_2(\mathbf{R}_0) = V_1(\mathbf{R}_0) = V_2(\mathbf{R}_0)$$

adiabatic wavefunctions

$$\psi_1 = c_{11}\varphi_1 + c_{12}\varphi_2 \quad \psi_2 = c_{21}\varphi_1 + c_{22}\varphi_2$$

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diabatic electronic energies

$$E_1(\mathbf{R}_0) = E_2(\mathbf{R}_0) = V_1(\mathbf{R}_0) = V_2(\mathbf{R}_0)$$

$$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{R}_0) = \mathbf{V}(\mathbf{R}_0)$$

$$W_{ij} = H_{ij} = \langle \varphi_i | H^e | \varphi_j \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{R}_0) = \begin{pmatrix} H_{11}(\mathbf{R}_0) & H_{12}(\mathbf{R}_0) \\ H_{12}(\mathbf{R}_0) & H_{22}(\mathbf{R}_0) \end{pmatrix}$$

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adiabatic electronic energies

diagonalize  $\mathbf{W}$

$$V_1(\mathbf{R}_0) = \left( \frac{H_{11} + H_{22}}{2} \right) - \sqrt{\left( \frac{H_{11} - H_{22}}{2} \right)^2 + H_{12}^2}$$

$$V_2(\mathbf{R}_0) = \left( \frac{H_{11} + H_{22}}{2} \right) + \sqrt{\left( \frac{H_{11} - H_{22}}{2} \right)^2 + H_{12}^2}$$

degeneracy (crossing) if

$$H_{11} = H_{22} \wedge H_{12} = 0$$

independent: 2 coordinates required to locate degeneracy

degeneracy preserved in  $N-8$  remaining internal coordinates

# Conical Intersection

topology of intersection

expand  $\mathbf{W}$  around  $\mathbf{R}_0$

$$\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}_0) = \mathbf{W}^{(0)} + \mathbf{W}^{(1)} + \mathbf{W}^{(2)} + \dots$$

zeroth order term

$$\mathbf{W}^{(0)} = \frac{E_A + E_B}{2} \mathbf{1} + \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{E_B - E_A}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{E_B - E_A}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

offset, set to zero for convenience

$$\mathbf{W}^{(0)} = \mathbf{0}$$

first order term

$$\mathbf{W}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11} + H_{22}}{2} \right) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R} + \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11} - H_{22}}{2} \right) \Delta \mathbf{R} & \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_{12} \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R} \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_{12} \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R} & \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11} + H_{22}}{2} \right) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R} - \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11} - H_{22}}{2} \right) \Delta \mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R}_0 - \mathbf{R}$$

# Conical Intersection

## topology of intersection

### first order term

$$\mathbf{W}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11}+H_{22}}{2} \right) \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} + \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11}-H_{22}}{2} \right) \Delta\mathbf{R} & \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_{12} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_{12} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} & \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11}+H_{22}}{2} \right) \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} - \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \left( \frac{H_{11}-H_{22}}{2} \right) \Delta\mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{W}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{g} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{h} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{h} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{s} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{g} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix}$$

### average gradient vector

$$\mathbf{s} = \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{H_{11} + H_{22}}{2} \Big|_{\mathbf{R}_0}$$

### gradient difference vector

$$\mathbf{g} = \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{H_{11} - H_{22}}{2} \Big|_{\mathbf{R}_0}$$

### derivative coupling vector

$$\mathbf{h} = \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_{12} \Big|_{\mathbf{R}_0}$$

# Conical Intersection

topology of intersection

keeping only terms to first order

$$\mathbf{W}(\Delta\mathbf{R}) \approx \mathbf{W}^{(0)} + \mathbf{W}^{(1)}$$

set zero<sup>th</sup> order term to zero (just an offset)

$$\mathbf{W}(\Delta\mathbf{R}) \approx \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{g} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{h} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{h} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} & \mathbf{s} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{g} \cdot \Delta\mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix}$$

diagonalize to get adiabatic PES

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eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{W}$

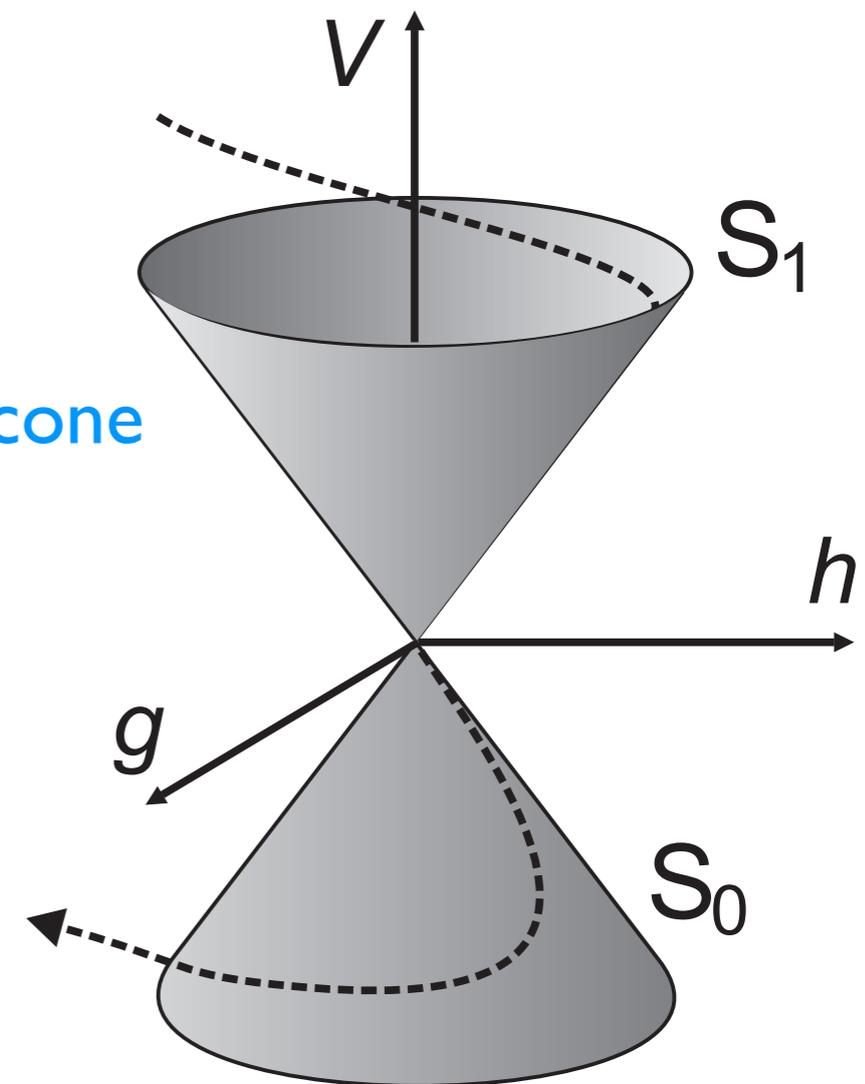
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double cone in branching space (g-h space)

adiabatic surfaces touch at tip

average gradient projected on g-h gives tilt of cone



# Conical Intersection

back to adiabatic basis

degeneracy requires (to first order) that

$$\mathbf{g} \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R} = 0 \wedge \mathbf{h} \cdot \Delta \mathbf{R}$$

independent: accidental same-symmetry intersection

two coordinate need to change to locate intersection

single degree of freedom: non-crossing rule in diatomics

degeneracy lifted in branching space

degeneracy maintained in  $3N-8$  remaining degree of freedom

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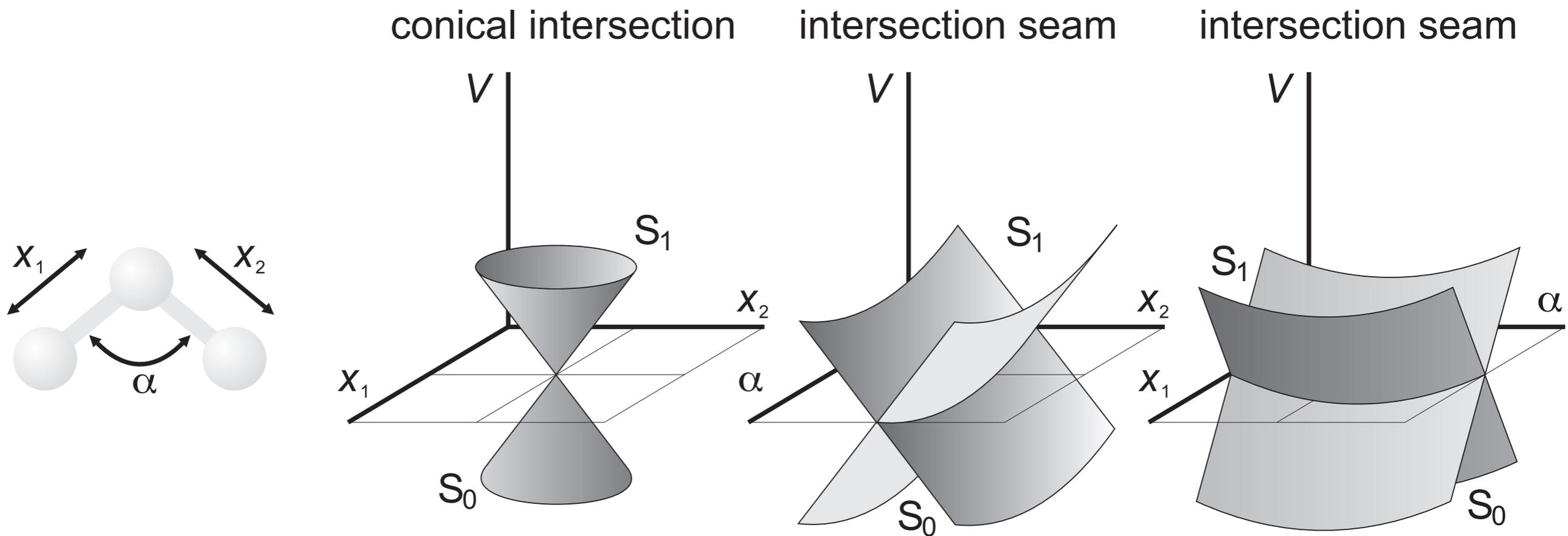
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tri-atomics: hypothetical example



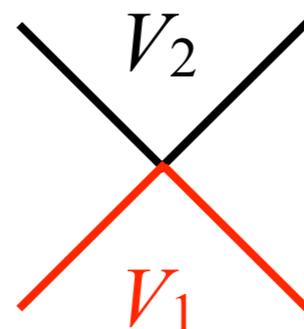
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average gradient ( $\mathbf{s}$ ) determines tilt of double cone

peaked

photoreactivity

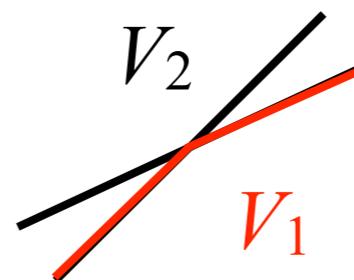
$$\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{g} \approx 0 \quad \mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{h} \approx 0$$



sloped

photostability

$$\mathbf{s} \cdot \mathbf{g} > 0$$



all are  $3N-8$  dimensional hyperlines

impossible to hit

compare point in plane

possible to get near

coupling strong enough for transition

# Conical Intersection

they are everywhere!



# Conical Intersection

## Berry phase

### adiabatic wavefunctions

$$\psi_2 = c_{21}\varphi_1 + c_{22}\varphi_2 \quad \psi_1 = c_{11}\varphi_1 + c_{12}\varphi_2$$

### small displacement in 2D branching space (diabatic basis)

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \|\mathbf{g}\| \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = \|\mathbf{h}\|$$

### polar coordinates

$$x_2 = R \sin \theta \quad x_1 = R \cos \theta \quad R = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$$

### assume zero tilt angle

$$W \approx \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_2 & -x_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R \cos \theta & R \sin \theta \\ R \sin \theta & -R \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

### adiabatic energies

$$V_2 = R \quad V_1 = -R$$

### adiabatic eigenfunctions

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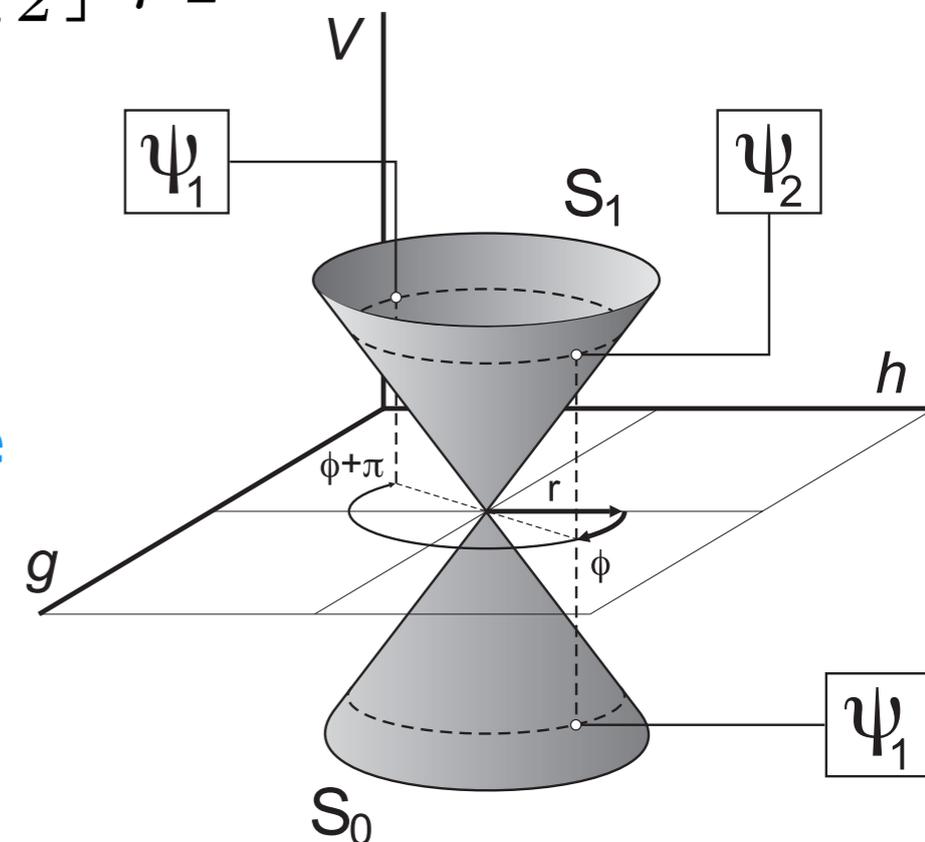
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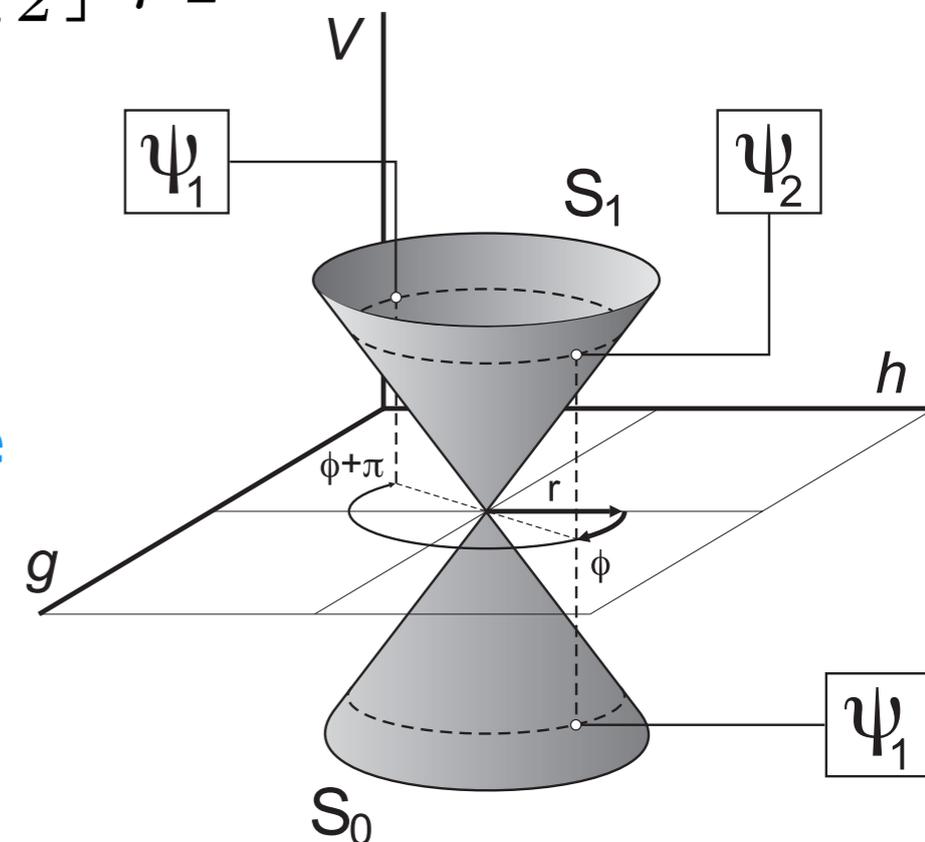
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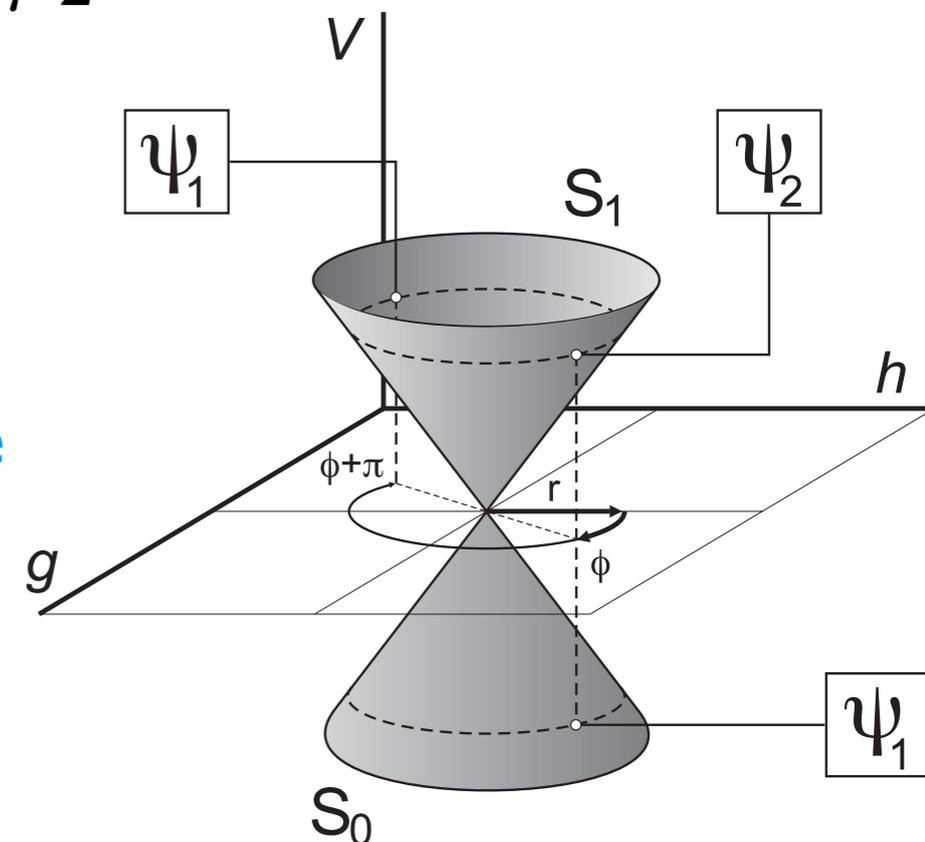
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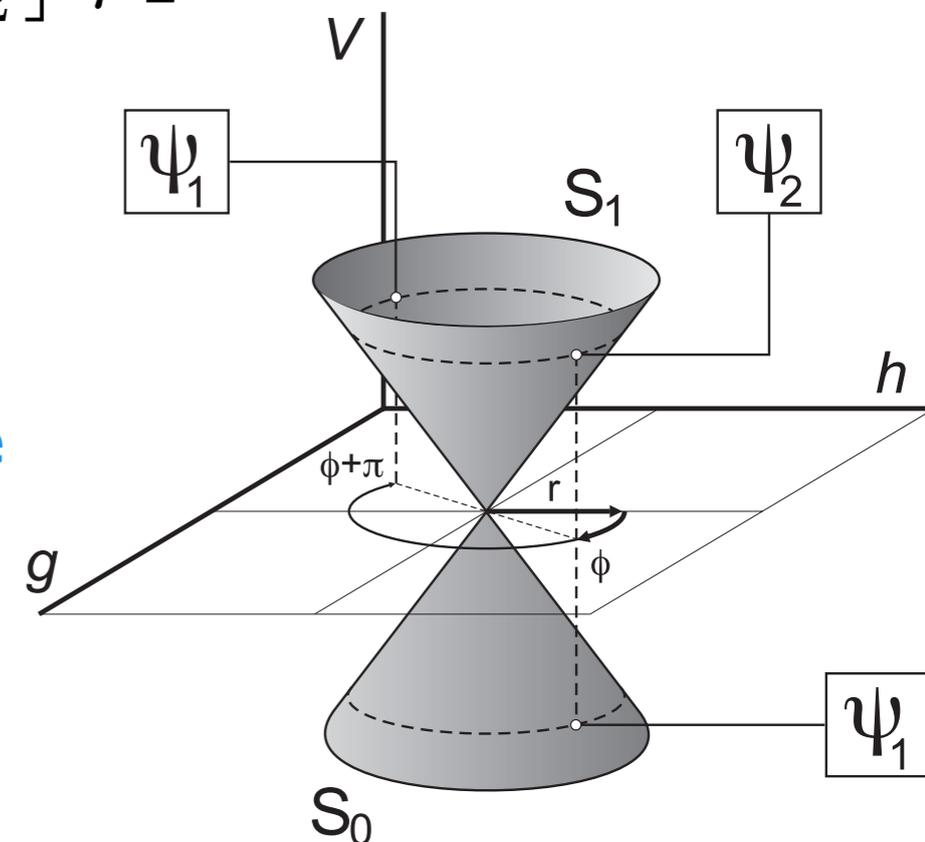
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used for diabatic surface hopping



# Conical Intersection

## summary

adiabatic states can become degenerate

two independent conditions

two coordinates to find/lift degeneracy: branching coordinates

degeneracy maintained in remaining degrees of freedom

conical intersection

Berry phase

modelling nuclear dynamics near conical intersection

non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

incorporating electronic transitions

regions of non-adiabatic coupling

break down of Born-Oppenheimer approximation

conical intersections

quantum dynamics

diabatic & adiabatic basis

classical molecular dynamics with electronic transitions

only non-adiabatic quantum effects

no barrier tunneling

no zero-point energy

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

time-evolution of electrons and nuclei

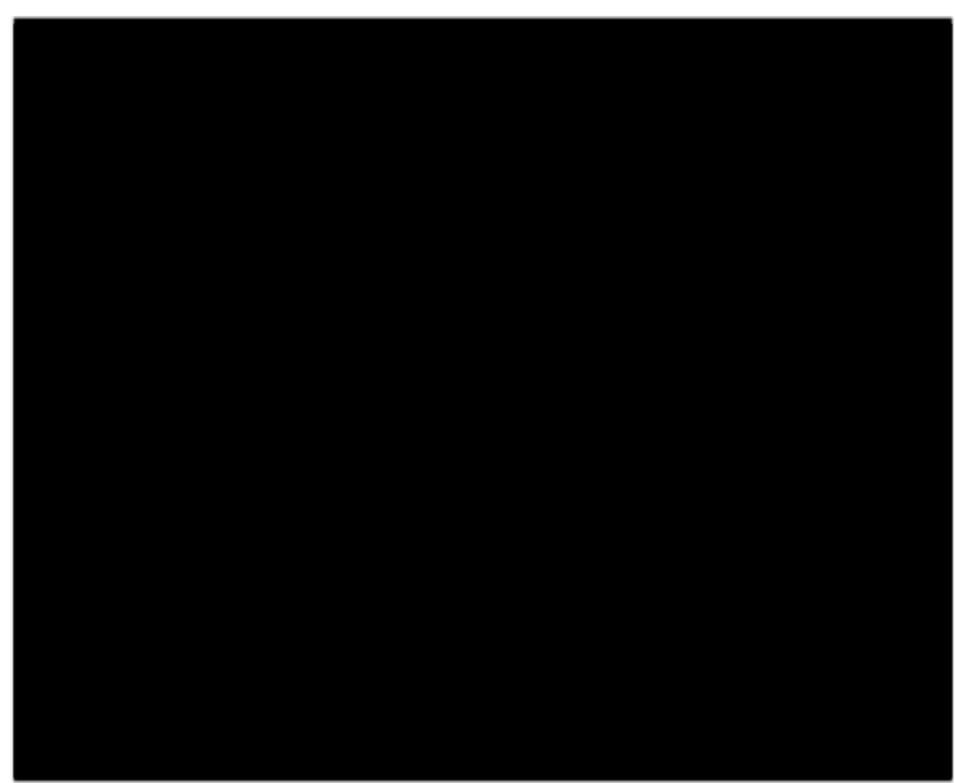
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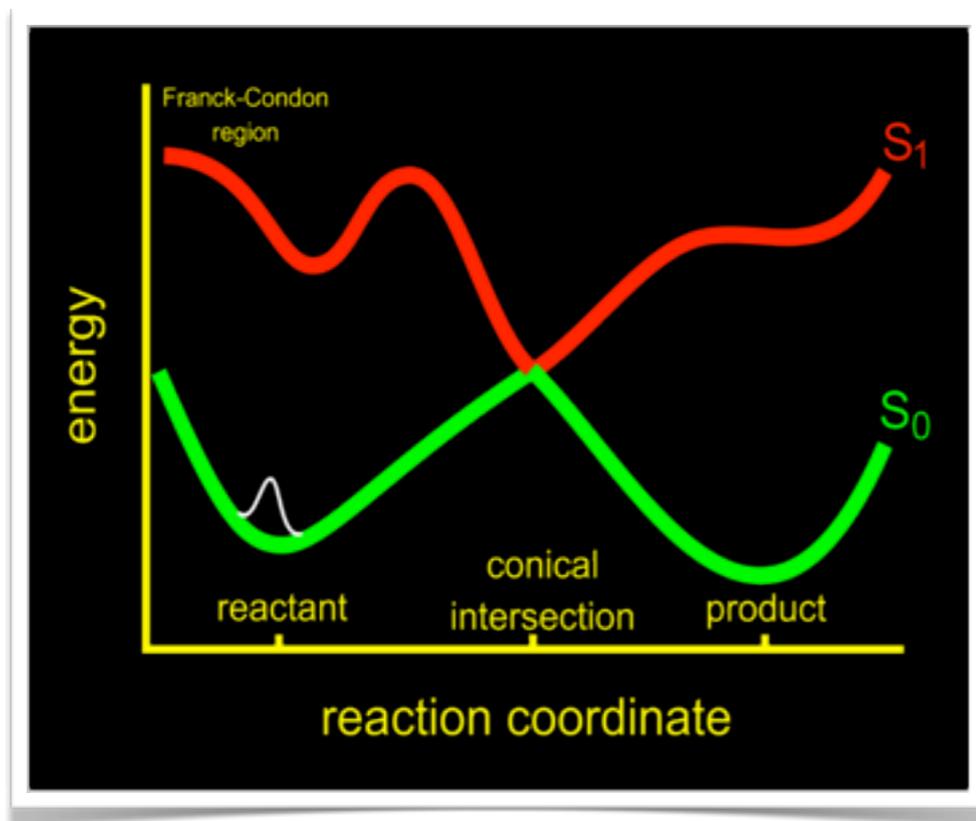
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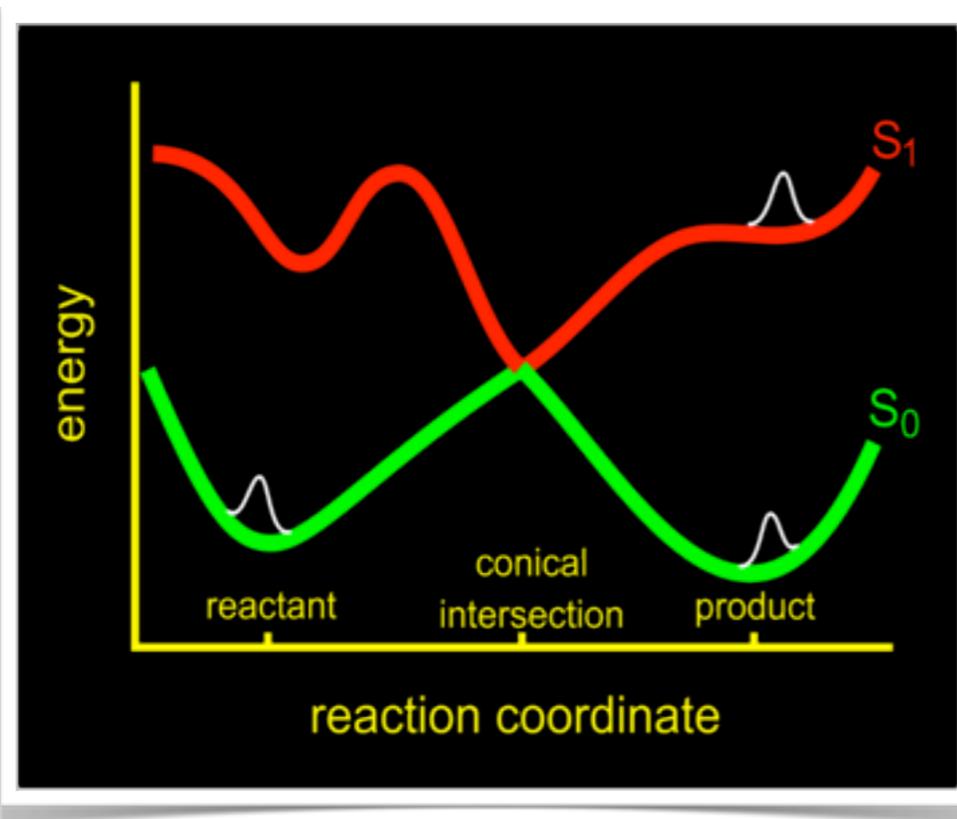
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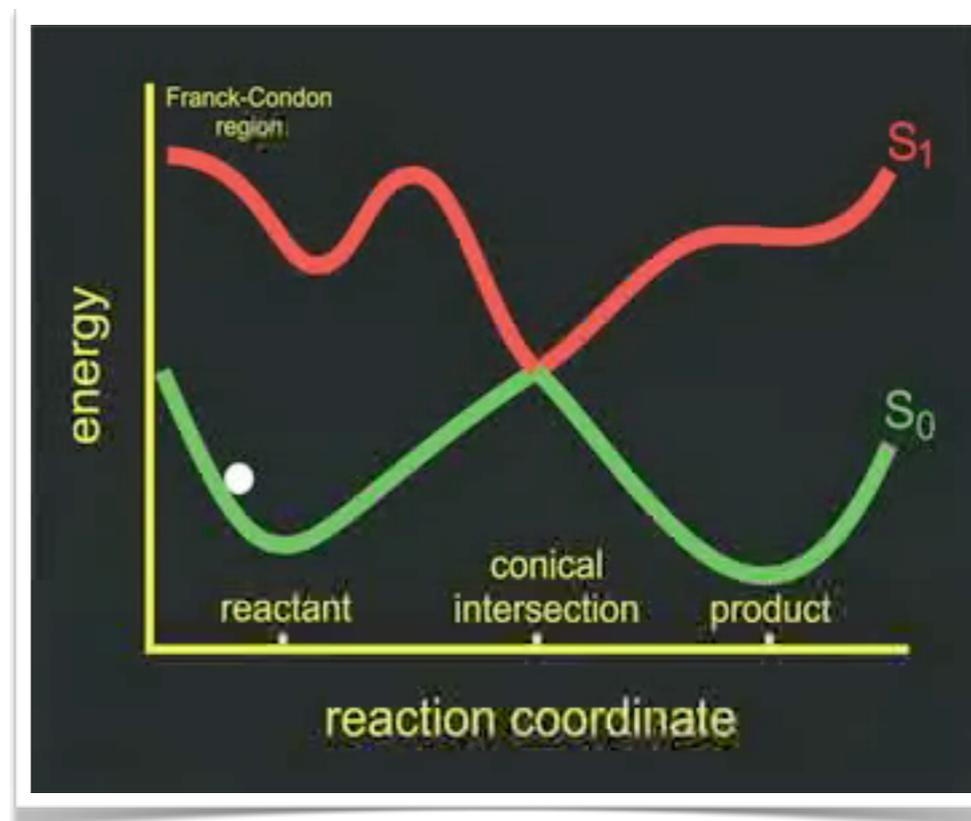
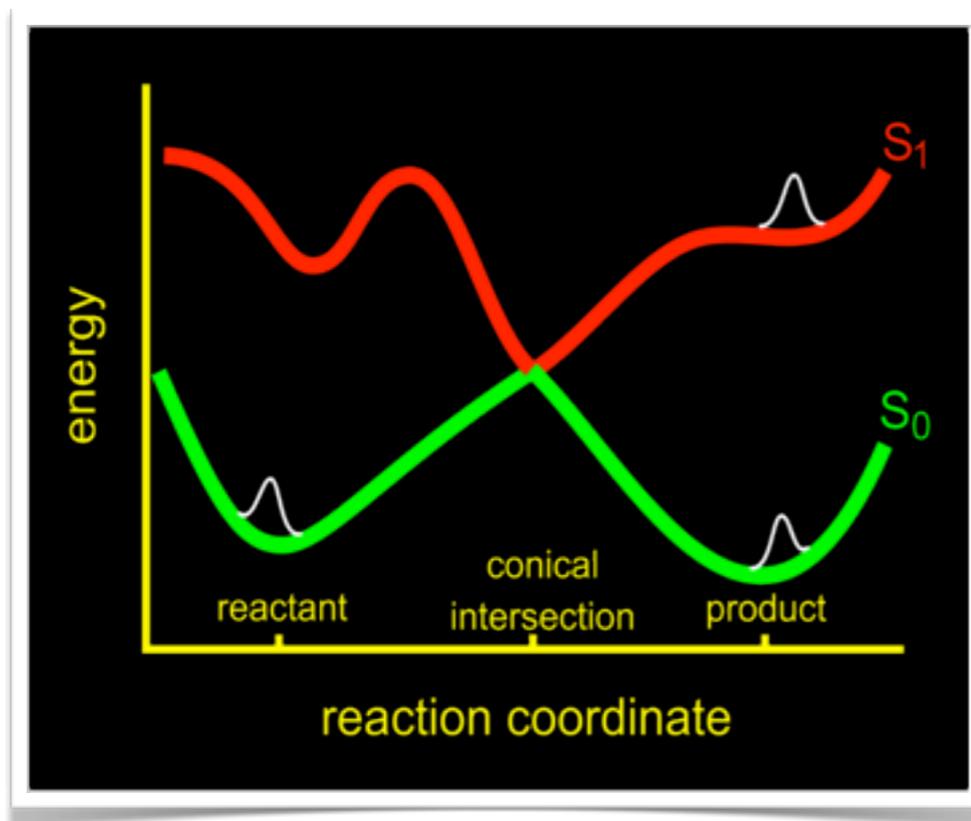
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# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

molecular dynamics with electronic transitions

## Ehrenfest dynamics

no detailed balance

incorrect asymptotic limit: mixed state

## fewest switches surface hopping (FSSH)

ensemble method

artificial coherence

*ad hoc* energy (& momentum) conservation

## full multiple spawning (FMS)

frozen gaussian wavepacket

centroid to evaluate forces and Hessian

multiple trajectories spawned

## diabatic hopping

approximate diabatic surfaces

energy & momentum conserved

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## Ehrenfest dynamics

time-dependent Schrödinger equation for electrons

expansion in adiabatic electronic basis

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) = \sum_j c_j(t) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

classical nuclei

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{R} = -\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} V^{tot}(\mathbf{R}, t)$$

total energy expression

$$E = \underbrace{\langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle}_{\text{electronic \& nuclear potential energy}} + \underbrace{\sum_i \frac{1}{2} M_i \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t} \right)^2}_{\text{nuclear kinetic energy}}$$

conservation of energy

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = 0$$

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### conservation of energy

to derive equations of motion

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \sum_i \frac{1}{2} M_i \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t} \right)^2 \right] = 0$$

using

$$\frac{d}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t}$$

to arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} \\ + \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \sum_i M_i \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

chain rule

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## Ehrenfest dynamics

### conservation of energy

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} \\ & + \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \sum_i M_i \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

using time-dependent Schrödinger equation

$$H_e \phi = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi$$

to arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{i\hbar \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle} + \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} \\ & \underline{-i\hbar \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle} + \sum_i M_i \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

c.c.

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## Ehrenfest dynamics

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$$i\hbar \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} \\ - i\hbar \langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \sum_i M_i \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}_i}{\partial t} = 0 \\ \left[ \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle + \mathbf{M} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{R}}{\partial t^2} \right] \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} = 0$$

### equations of motion

Newtonian dynamics with Hellmann-Feynman forces

$$\mathbf{M} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{R}}{\partial t^2} = - \langle \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_e(\mathbf{R}) | \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) \rangle$$

time-dependent Schrödinger equation along classical trajectory

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) = H^e(\mathbf{R}) \phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R})$$

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## Ehrenfest dynamics

equations of motion for electronic wavefunction

electronic wavefunction

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{R}) = \sum_j c_j(t) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

time-dependent Schrödinger equation along classical trajectory  $\mathbf{R}(t)$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi(\mathbf{r}, t, \mathbf{R}) = H^e(\mathbf{R}) \phi(\mathbf{r}, t, \mathbf{R})$$

time-dependence explicit in coefficients

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \sum_j c_j(t) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R}) = H^e(\mathbf{R}) \sum_j c_j(t) \psi_j(\mathbf{r}; \mathbf{R})$$

multiply by adiabatic state  $i$  and integrate over electronic coordinates

$$i\hbar \sum_j \frac{\partial c_j}{\partial t} \langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle + i\hbar \sum_j c_j \langle \psi_i | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_j \rangle = \sum_j c_j \langle \psi_i | H^e | \psi_j \rangle$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## Ehrenfest dynamics

### quantum dynamics for electrons

multiply by adiabatic state  $i$  and integrate

$$i\hbar \sum_j \frac{\partial c_j}{\partial t} \langle \psi_i | \psi_j \rangle + i\hbar \sum_j c_j \langle \psi_i | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_j \rangle = \sum_j c_j \langle \psi_i | H^e | \psi_j \rangle$$

again, use

$$\frac{d}{dt} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{R}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t}$$

and orthogonality of adiabatic basis to arrive at

$$\frac{\partial c_i}{\partial t} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} V_i c_i(t) - \sum_j c_j(t) \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t}$$

coupled first-order differential equations

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## Ehrenfest dynamics

mixed quantum/classical dynamics

time-dependent electronic wavefunction

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classical nuclei

equations of motion

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coupled first-order differential equations

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# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## Ehrenfest dynamics

### density matrix notation

$$\rho_{ij}(t) = c_i(t)c_j^*(t)$$

populations of electronic states: diagonal

$$\rho_{kk}(t)$$

time evolution (Liouville-Von Neumann)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{kl} &= c_l^* \frac{\partial}{\partial t} c_k + c_k \frac{\partial}{\partial t} c_l^* \\ &= -c_k c_l^* \frac{i}{\hbar} V_k - c_l^* \sum_j c_j \langle \psi_k | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} \\ &\quad + c_k c_l^* \frac{i}{\hbar} V_l - c_k \sum_j c_j^* \langle \psi_l | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle^* \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t}\end{aligned}$$

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## Ehrenfest dynamics

### density matrix notation

#### time-evolution

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#### adiabatic basis

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \langle \psi_l | \psi_j \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_l | \psi_j \rangle + \langle \psi_l | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_l | \psi_j \rangle = -\langle \psi_l | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle$$

#### complex conjugate of non-adiabatic coupling vector

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\langle \psi_l | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle^*} &= \langle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j | \psi_l \rangle \\ &= \underline{-\langle \psi_j | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_l \rangle}\end{aligned}$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## Ehrenfest dynamics

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using that in the adiabatic basis

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi_l | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle^* &= \langle \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j | \psi_l \rangle \\ &= -\langle \psi_j | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_l \rangle \end{aligned}$$

one arrives at

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{kl} = & -c_k c_l^* \frac{i}{\hbar} V_k - \sum_j c_j c_l^* \langle \psi_k | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} \\ & + c_k c_l^* \frac{i}{\hbar} V_l + \sum_j c_k c_j^* \langle \psi_j | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_l \rangle \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

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#### rearranging

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{kl} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} [V_k - V_l] \rho_{kl} + \sum_j [\rho_{kj} \mathbf{F}_{jl} - \rho_{jl} \mathbf{F}_{kj}] \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t}$$

#### some more rearranging, and in different notation

$$i\hbar \dot{\rho}_{kl} = \sum_l \rho_{jl} \left\{ \left[ V_j \delta_{kj} - i\hbar \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{kj} \right] - \rho_{kj} \left[ V_j \delta_{jl} - i\hbar \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{jl} \right] \right\}$$

#### where I used

$$[V_k - V_l] \rho_{kl} = \sum_j [\rho_{jl} V_j \delta_{kj} - \rho_{kj} V_j \delta_{jl}]$$

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### populations of electronic states

$$\rho_{kk}(t)$$

### Liouville-Von Neumann equation

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### Newton equation

$$\mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{R}} = -\langle \phi | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H | \phi \rangle$$

$$= -\sum_i \sum_j c_i^*(t)c_j(t) \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H | \psi_j \rangle$$

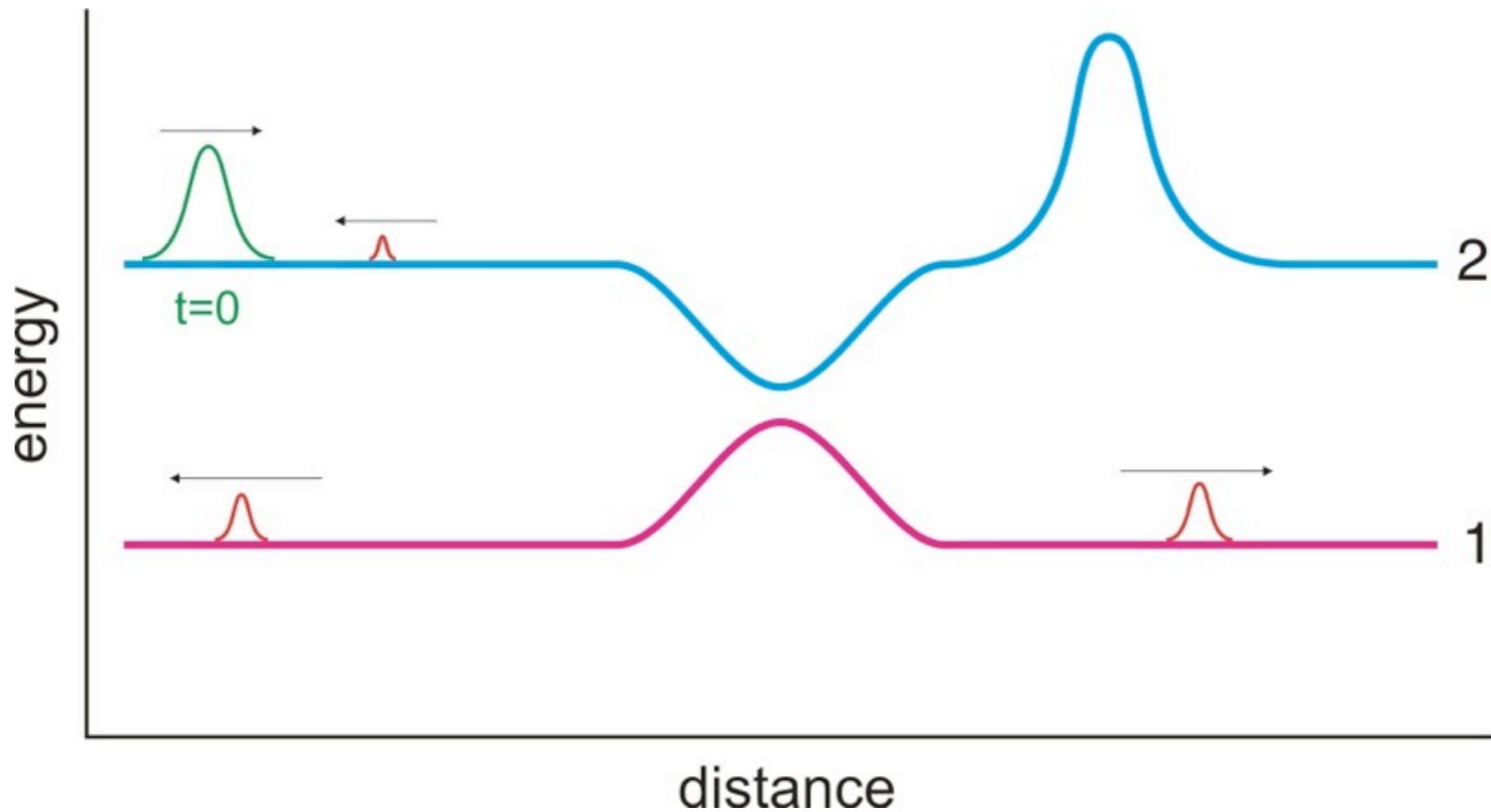
$$= -\sum_i \sum_j \rho_{ji}(t) \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H | \psi_j \rangle = \sum_i \rho_{ii} \langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H | \psi_i \rangle$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## Ehrenfest dynamics

mixed electronic state

mixing due to non-adiabatic coupling



# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

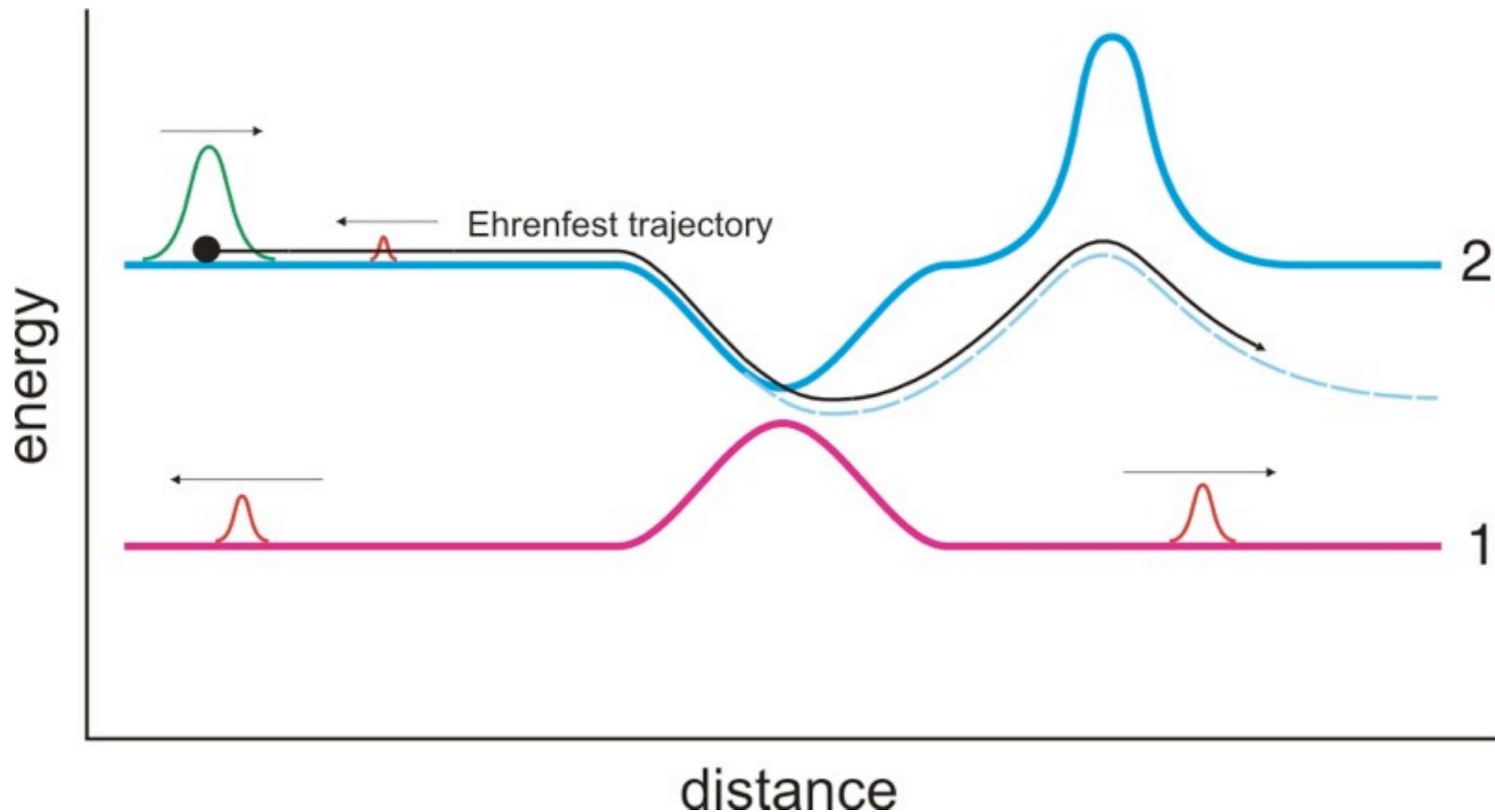
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wrong asymptotic limit

no detailed balance: energy flows into electronic wavefunction



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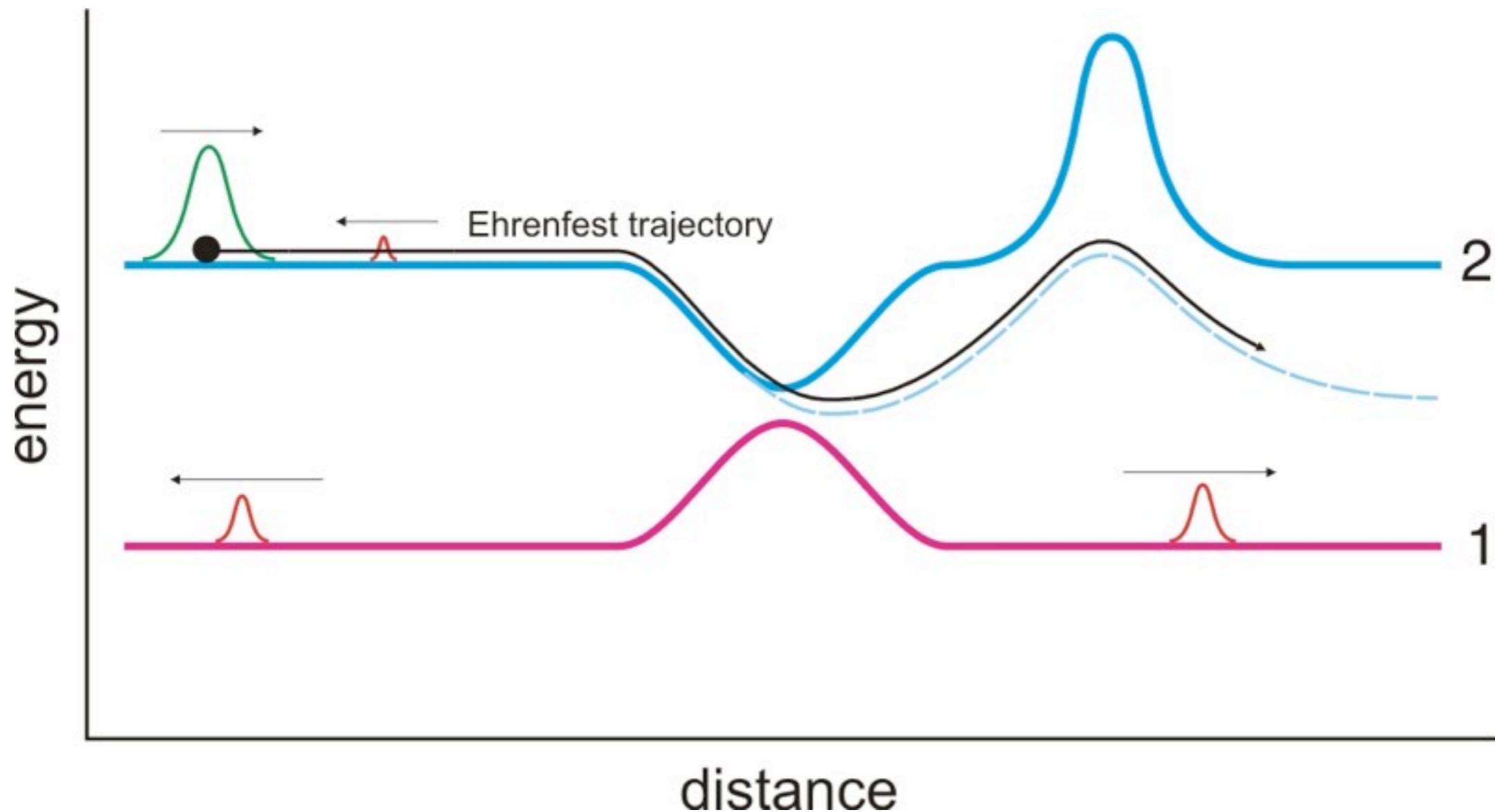
### asymptotic limit

validity criteria (Prezhdo & Rossky)

$$\frac{|\mathbf{P}_j - \mathbf{P}_i|}{|\mathbf{P}_j + \mathbf{P}_i|} \ll 1 \quad \frac{|\mathbf{R}_j - \mathbf{R}_i|}{a_0} \ll 1$$

reset populations when criteria are violated

Bohr radius



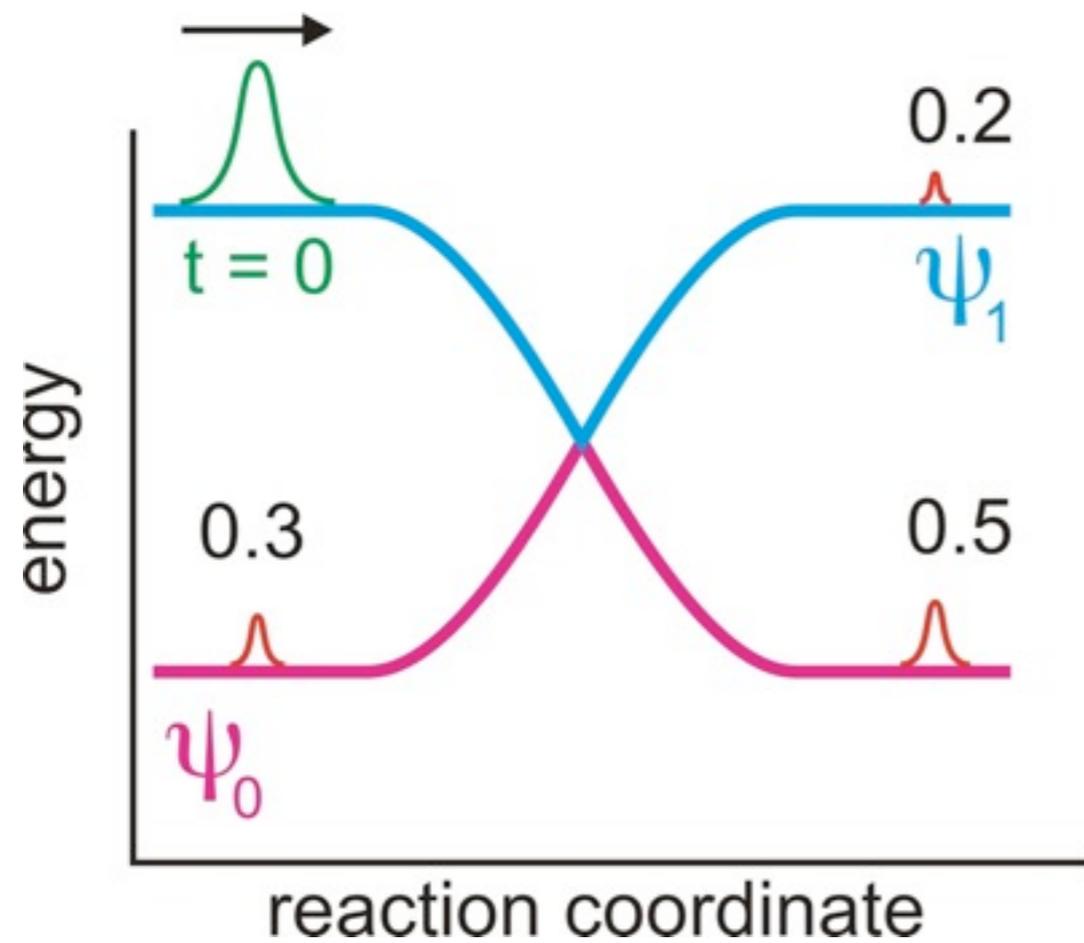
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## surface hopping

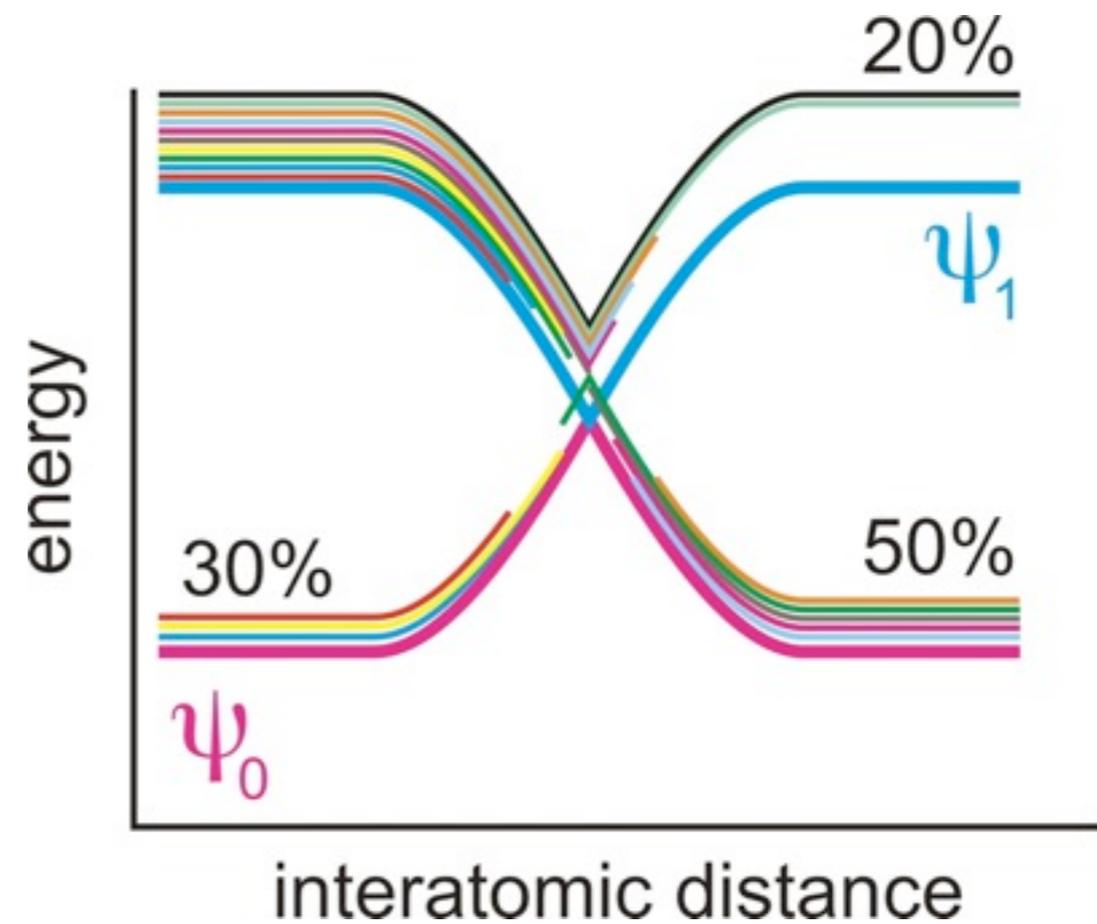
classical propagation of nuclei on single adiabatic PES

stochastic hops between electronic state

classical ensemble ('swarm') reproduce quantum populations



quantum dynamics



surface hopping trajectories

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

surface hopping

electronic dynamics

primary wavefunction in adiabatic basis

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time-evolution

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nuclear dynamics

classical dynamics on single adiabatic potential energy surface

$$\mathbf{M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{R} = -\langle \psi_i | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} | \psi_i \rangle$$

make random hops between adiabatic surfaces according to

$$p_i(t) = |c_i(t)|^2$$

average ensemble of trajectories to get quantum probabilities

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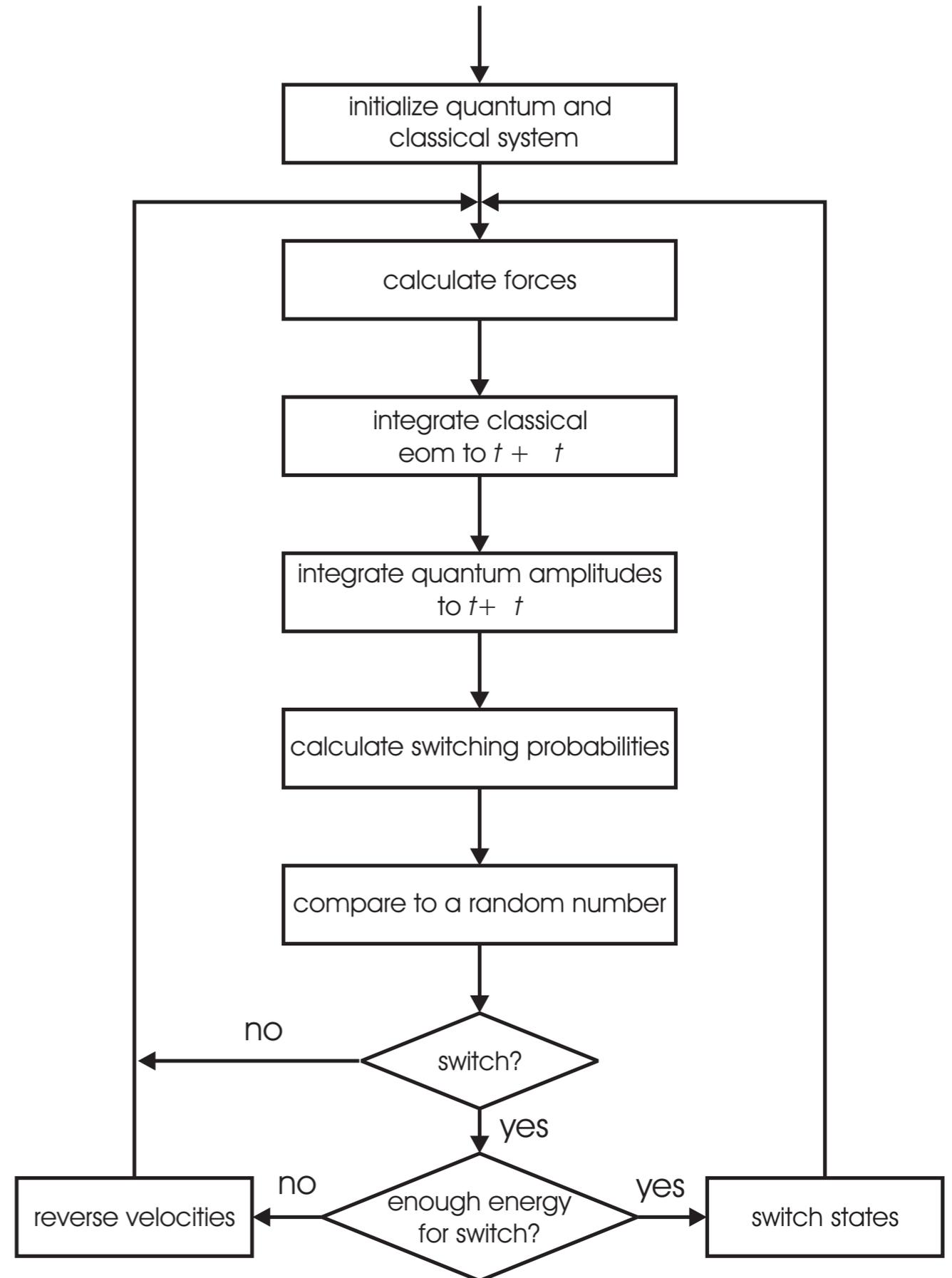
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# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

surface hopping

basic algorithm

hopping probabilities?



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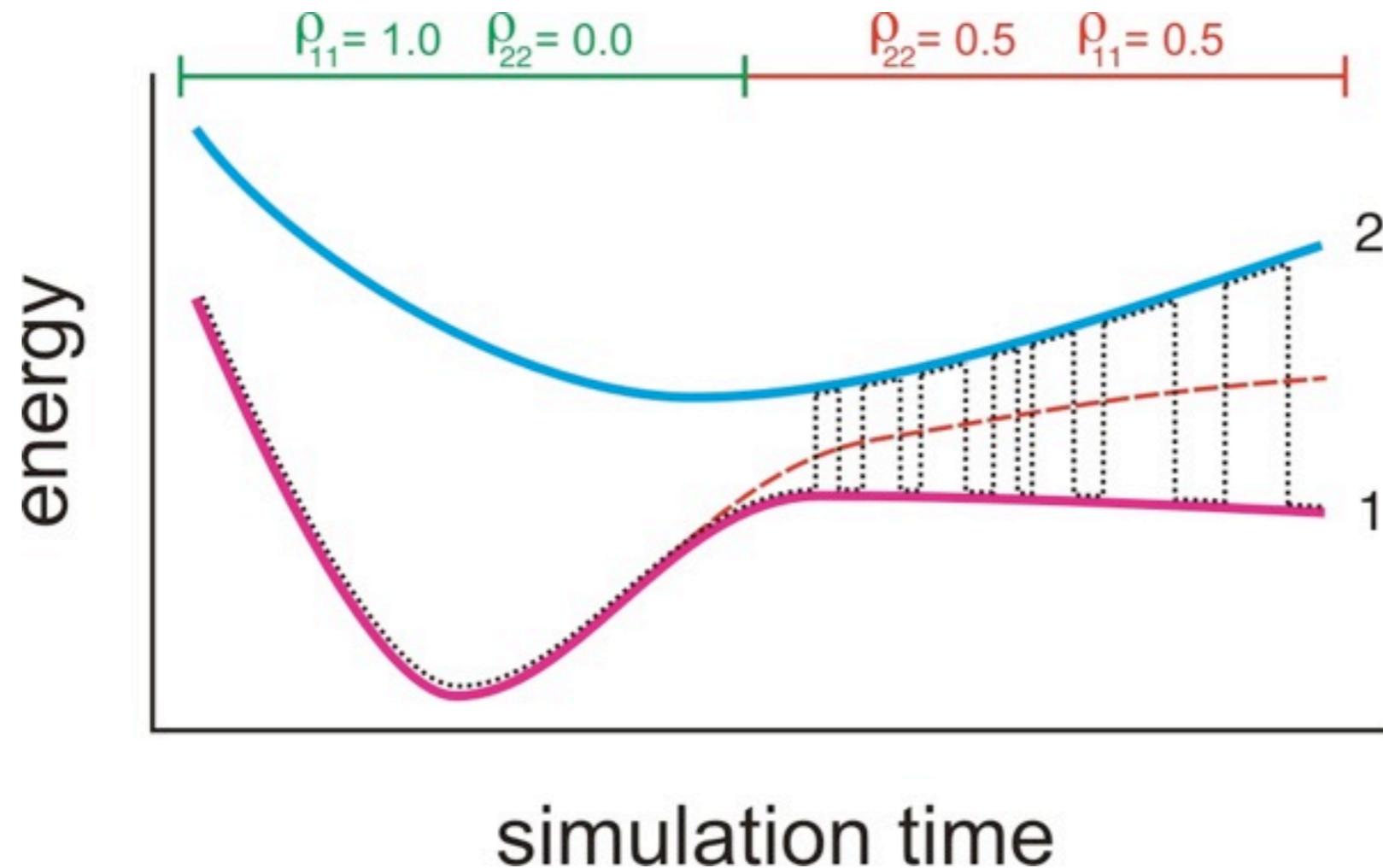
population-based surface hopping

naive algorithm

stochastic hop with probabilities

$$p_{i \rightarrow j}(t) \propto \rho_{jj}(t)$$

coherent propagation electronic wavefunction: keep hopping



# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

fewest switches surface hopping (Tully)

minimize the number of switches from state  $l$  to  $k$

during small time interval

$$\delta\rho_{kk} \approx \dot{\rho}_{kk}\delta t$$

$$\delta\rho_{ll} \approx -\delta\rho_{kk}\delta t$$

time-derivative of density matrix

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho_{kl} = -\frac{i}{\hbar} [V_k - V_l] \rho_{kl} + \sum_j [\rho_{kj}\mathbf{F}_{jl} - \rho_{jl}\mathbf{F}_{kj}] \cdot \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial t}$$

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diagonal elements (populations)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{kk} = \sum_j [\rho_{kj} \mathbf{F}_{jk} - \rho_{jk} \mathbf{F}_{kj}] \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t}$$

using again that in adiabatic basis

$$\mathbf{F}_{kj}^* = -\mathbf{F}_{jk}$$

we arrive at

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho_{kk} = - \sum_j 2\Re \{ \rho_{jk} \mathbf{F}_{kj} \} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial t} = \sum_j b_{kj}$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

fewest switches surface hopping (Tully)

minimize the number of switches from state  $l$  to  $k$

during small time interval (trajectory is on  $l$ )

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\rho_{kk} &\approx \dot{\rho}_{kk}\delta t = b_{kl}\delta t & b_{kl} &= -2\Re\{\rho_{lk}\mathbf{F}_{kl}\} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{R}} \\ \delta\rho_{ll} &\approx -\delta\rho_{kk} = -b_{kl}\delta t\end{aligned}$$

number of hops from  $l$  to  $k$  must exceed number hops from  $k$  to  $l$

$$N_{l\rightarrow k}^{\text{hops}} - N_{k\rightarrow l}^{\text{hops}} = N_{\text{ens}} b_{kl} \delta t$$

minimal number of hops if

$$N_{k\rightarrow l}^{\text{hops}} = 0$$

then

$$p_{l\rightarrow k} = \frac{N_{\text{ens}} b_{kl}}{N_{\text{ens}} \rho_{ll}} \delta t = \frac{b_{kl}}{\rho_{ll}} \delta t \quad p_{l\rightarrow k} = \max\left[0, \frac{b_{kl}}{\rho_{ll}} \Delta t\right]$$

MD timestep

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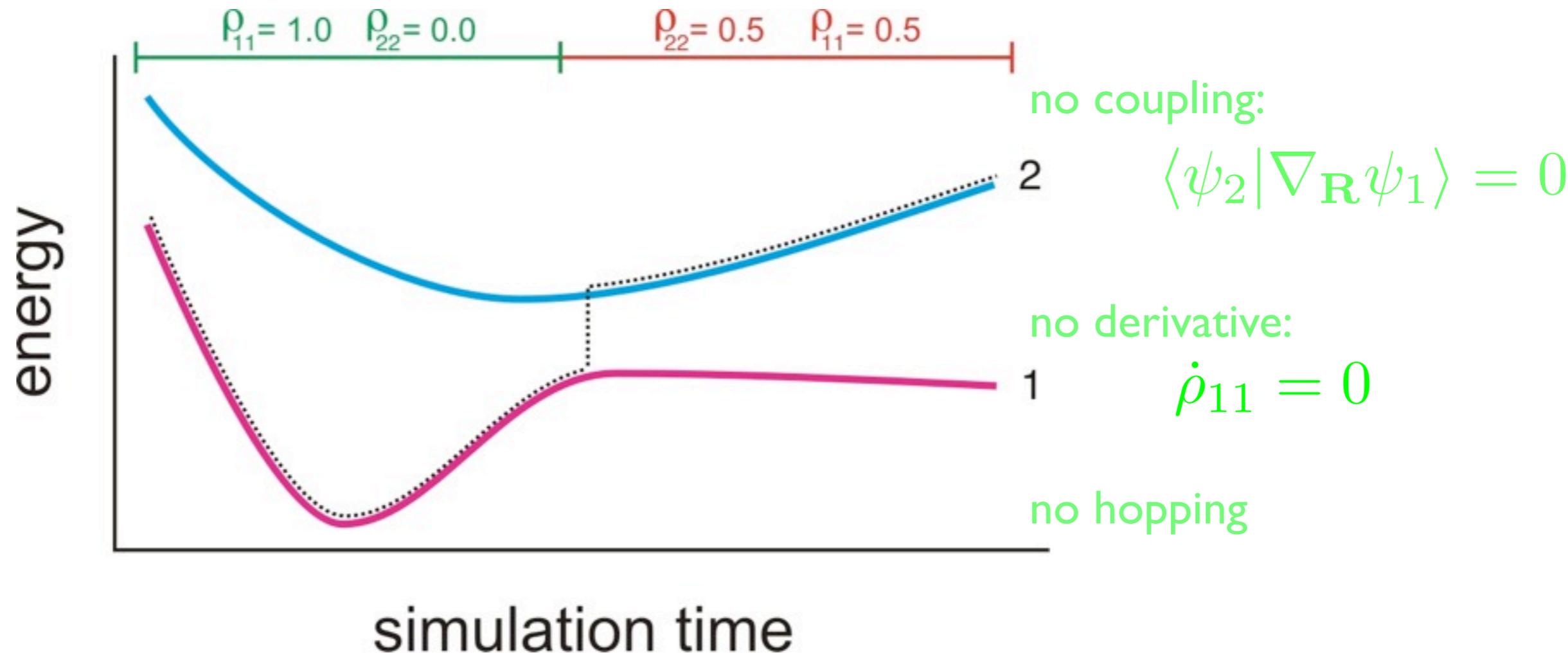
fewest switches surface hopping

basic algorithm

stochastic hop with probabilities

$$p_{l \rightarrow k} = \max \left[ 0, \frac{b_{kl}}{\rho_{ll}} \Delta t \right] \quad b_{kl} = -2\Re \{ \rho_{lk} \mathbf{F}_{kl} \} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{R}}$$

coherent propagation of electronic wavefunction



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fewest switches surface hopping

conservation of energy after hopping

adjust velocity parallel to non-adiabatic coupling vector

non-adiabatic force does (pos/neg) work to bring about transition

non-adiabatic force should change in momentum of nuclei

$$\dot{\mathbf{R}}_i^{\text{new}} = \dot{\mathbf{R}}_i - \gamma_{kj} \frac{\mathbf{F}_{kj}^i}{M_i}$$

kinetic energy after hopping

$$\sum_i \frac{1}{2} M_i (\dot{\mathbf{R}}_i^{\text{new}})^2 = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} M_i \dot{\mathbf{R}}_i^2 + (V_k - V_j)$$

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$$\sum_i \frac{1}{2} M_i \left( \dot{\mathbf{R}}_i^2 - 2\gamma_{kj} \frac{\mathbf{F}_{kj} \cdot \dot{\mathbf{R}}_i}{M_i} + \gamma_{kj}^2 \frac{|\mathbf{F}_{kj}^i|^2}{M_i^2} \right) = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} M_i \dot{\mathbf{R}}_i^2 + (V_k - V_j)$$

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$$\sum_i \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{kj}^2 \frac{|\mathbf{F}_{kj}^i|^2}{M_i} - \sum_i \gamma_{kj} \mathbf{F}_{kj}^i \cdot \dot{\mathbf{R}}_i - (V_k - V_j) = 0$$

introducing some definitions to make the thing readable

$$a_{kj} \gamma_{kj}^2 - b_{kj} \gamma_{kj} - (V_k - V_j) = 0$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

fewest switches surface hopping

conservation of energy after hopping

adjust velocity parallel to non-adiabatic coupling vector

$$a_{kj}\gamma_{kj}^2 - b_{kj}\gamma_{kj} - (V_k - V_j) = 0$$

solution

$$\gamma_{kj} = \begin{cases} \frac{b_{kj} + \sqrt{b_{kj}^2 + 4a_{kj}[V_k(\mathbf{R}) - V_j(\mathbf{R})]}}{2a_{kj}} & , \quad b_{kj} < 0 \\ \frac{b_{kj} - \sqrt{b_{kj}^2 + 4a_{kj}[V_k(\mathbf{R}) - V_j(\mathbf{R})]}}{2a_{kj}} & , \quad b_{kj} \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

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fewest switches surface hopping

non-adiabatic coupling acts as a force

situation A

$$\Delta V_{kj} > 0$$

situation B

$$\Delta V_{kj} < 0$$

not sufficient kinetic energy

reject hop

keep velocities

reverse velocities

inconsistencies with quantum mechanics

$$\langle \psi_k | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle$$



$$\dot{\mathbf{R}}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{R}}^{\text{new}}$$

$$\langle \psi_k | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_j \rangle$$



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fewest switches surface hopping

coherent propagation

artificial coherence far from non-adiabatic region

problematic for new encounters

washing out coherence

(i) reset density matrix after hop

$$\rho_{kk} = 1 \wedge \rho_{ij} = 0$$

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(ii) damp off-diagonal elements of density matrix (Tully)

$$i\hbar\dot{\rho}_{kl} = \sum_l \rho_{jl} \left\{ \left[ V_j \delta_{kj} - i\hbar \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{kj} \right] - \rho_{kj} \left[ V_j \delta_{jl} - i\hbar \dot{\mathbf{R}} \cdot \mathbf{F}_{jl} \right] \right\} \\ - i\hbar\zeta(1 - \delta_{kl})\rho_{kl}$$

“friction”

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

fewest switches surface hopping

coherent propagation

artificial coherence far from non-adiabatic region

problematic for new encounters

washing out coherence

(i) reset density matrix after hop

(ii) damp off-diagonal elements of density matrix (Tully)

(iii) damp coefficients (Truhlar, Granucci/Persico)

$$c'_k = c_k \exp\left[-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_{km}}\right]$$

$$c'_m = c_m \sqrt{\left[ \frac{1 - \sum_{k \neq m} |c'_k|^2}{|c_m|^2} \right]}$$

$$\tau_{km} = \frac{\hbar}{|V_k - V_m|} \left( 1 + \frac{C}{E_{\text{kin}}} \right)$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## diabatic hopping

### Landau-Zener model

one dimensional surface crossing: staying on diabatic surface

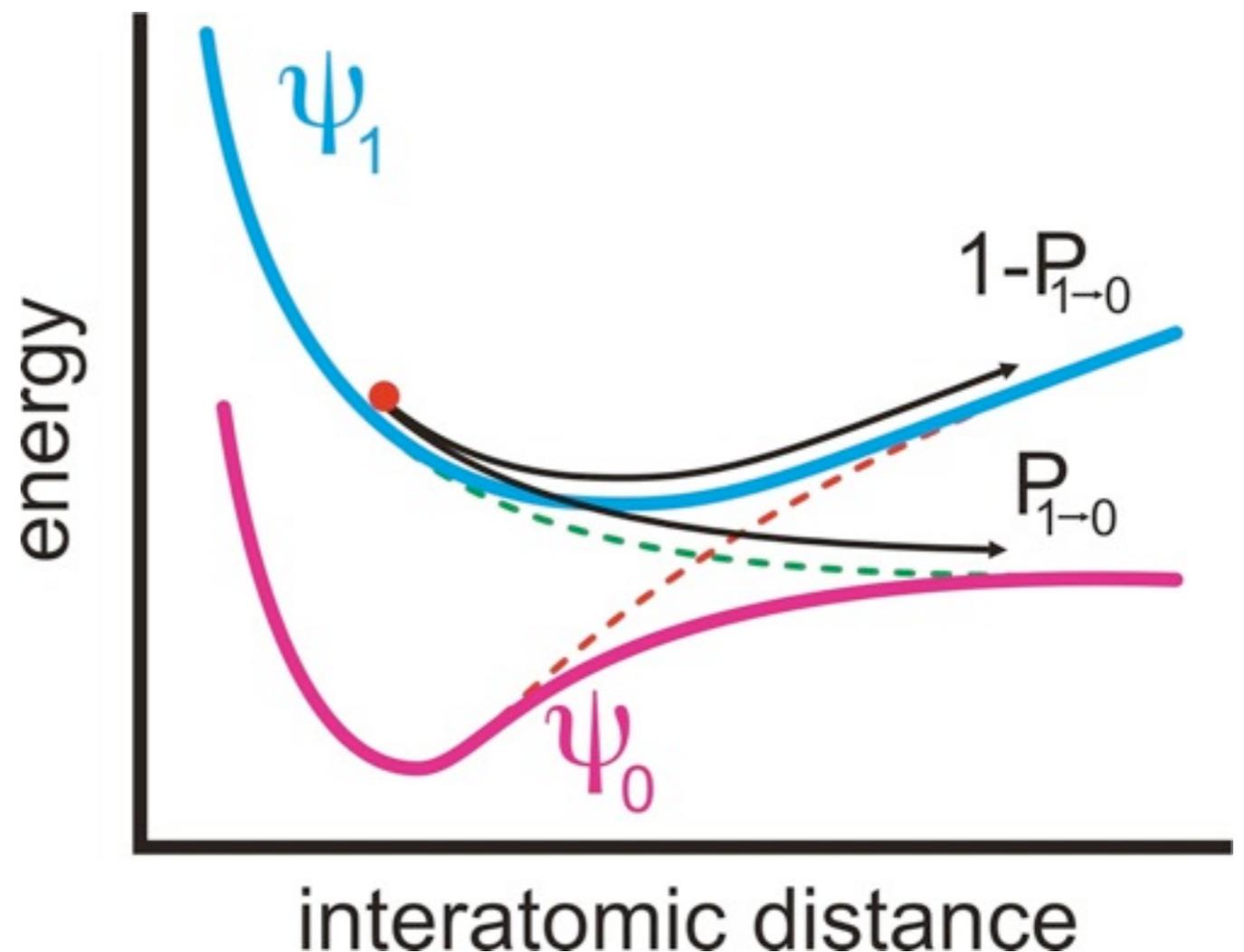
$$P_{1 \rightarrow 0} = \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{4} \pi \xi \right]$$

Massey parameter

$$\xi = \frac{\Delta E}{\hbar \mathbf{F}_{01} \partial Q / \partial t}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{01} = \langle \psi_0 | \nabla_Q \psi_1 \rangle$$

probability of diabatic hop



# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

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using

$$\langle \psi_0 | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_1 \rangle = \langle \psi_0 | \nabla_Q \psi_1 \rangle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q$$

to rewrite Massey parameter

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# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

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surface hopping algorithm

compute probability at every step to decide on hopping

how to compute the denominator?

$$\langle \psi_0 | \partial / \partial t \psi_1 \rangle$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## diabatic hopping

computing denominator  $\langle \psi_0 | \partial / \partial t \psi_1 \rangle$

at any time we have

$$\psi_1(t) \text{ and } \psi_0(t)$$

during integration step these states mix due to non-adiabatic coupling

$$\psi_0(t + \Delta t) = \psi_0(t) + \beta \psi_1(t)$$

$$\psi_1(t + \Delta t) = \psi_1(t) - \beta \psi_0(t)$$

numerical differentiation (finite differencing)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_1(t) \approx \frac{\psi_1(t + \Delta t) - \psi_1(t)}{\Delta t} = -\frac{\beta \psi_0}{\Delta t}$$

$$\langle \psi_0 | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_1 \rangle \approx -\frac{\beta}{\Delta t}$$

we also have that

$$\langle \psi_0(t) | \psi_1(t + \Delta t) \rangle = -\beta$$

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## diabatic hopping

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since

$$\langle \psi_0(t) | \psi_1(t + \Delta t) \rangle = -\beta$$

we can use the following approximation

$$\langle \psi_0 | \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_1 \rangle \approx \langle \psi_0(t) | \psi_1(t + \Delta t) \rangle / \Delta t$$

in principle hopping everywhere

in practice hopping restricted at intersection seam

# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

## diabatic hopping

### practical algorithm

restrict hopping to the seam: stay on 'diabatic' surface

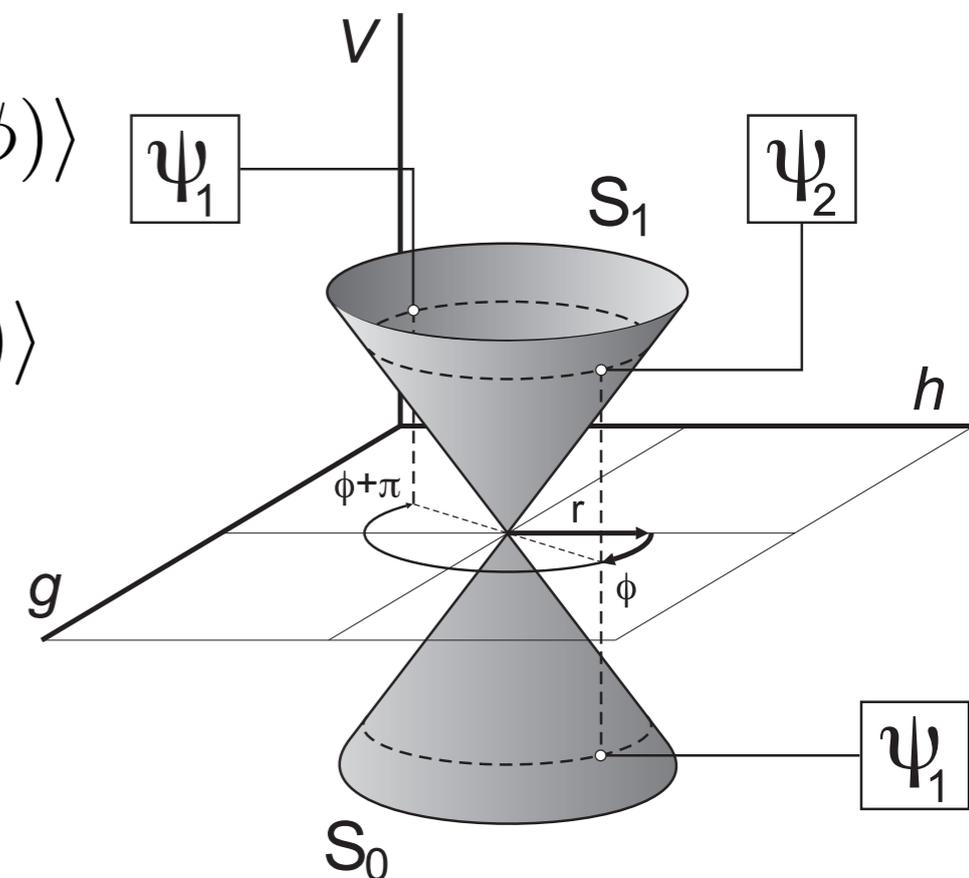
monitor energy gap

upon passing seam in simulation we have from the Berry phase

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \psi_0(t) | \psi_1(t + \Delta t) \rangle &= \langle \psi_0(\phi) | \psi_1(\phi + \pi) \rangle \\ &= - \langle \psi_0(\phi) | \psi_0(\phi) \rangle \\ &= - \langle \psi_0(t) | \psi_0(t) \rangle \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

conservation of momentum and energy

no quantum coherence



# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

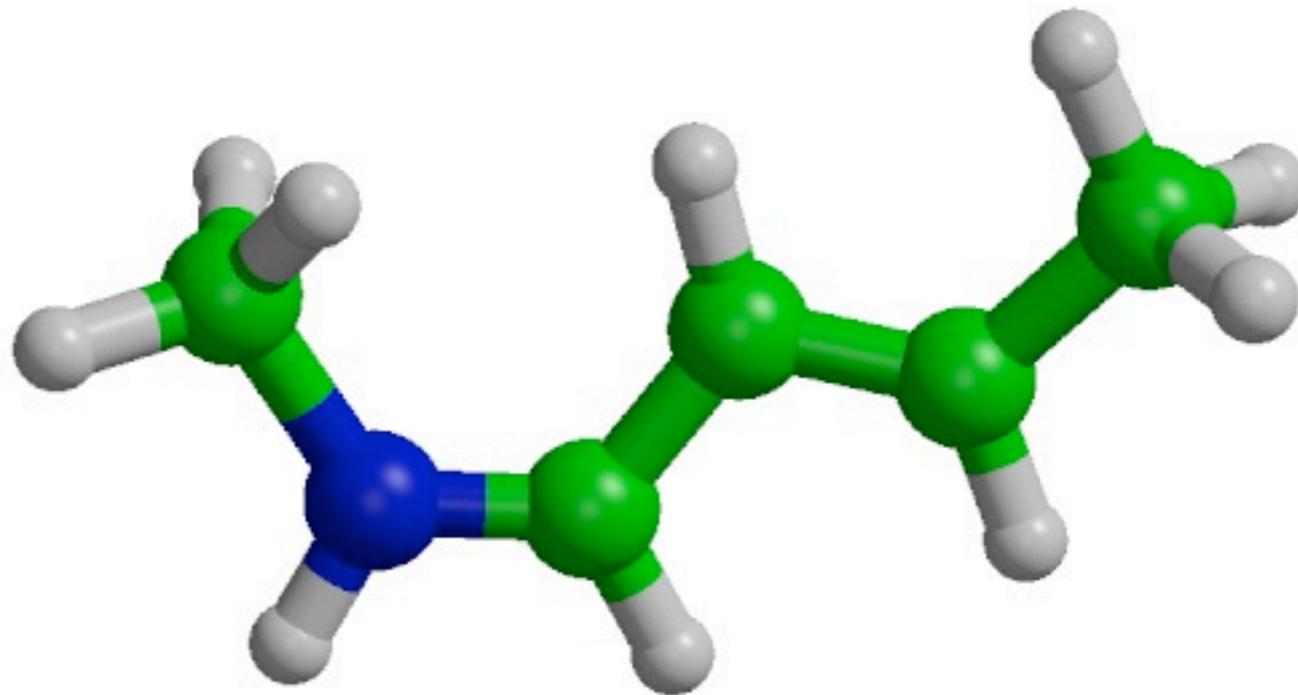
comparing diabatic hopping with fewest switches

photoisomerization of protonated Schiff base

aim a: find out if initial conditions determine outcome

aim b: control outcome

aim c: compare hopping algorithms



simulations

CASSCF(4,4)/6-31G\*, diabatic & fewest switches surface hopping

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average lifetime: 115.8 fs/75.2 fs

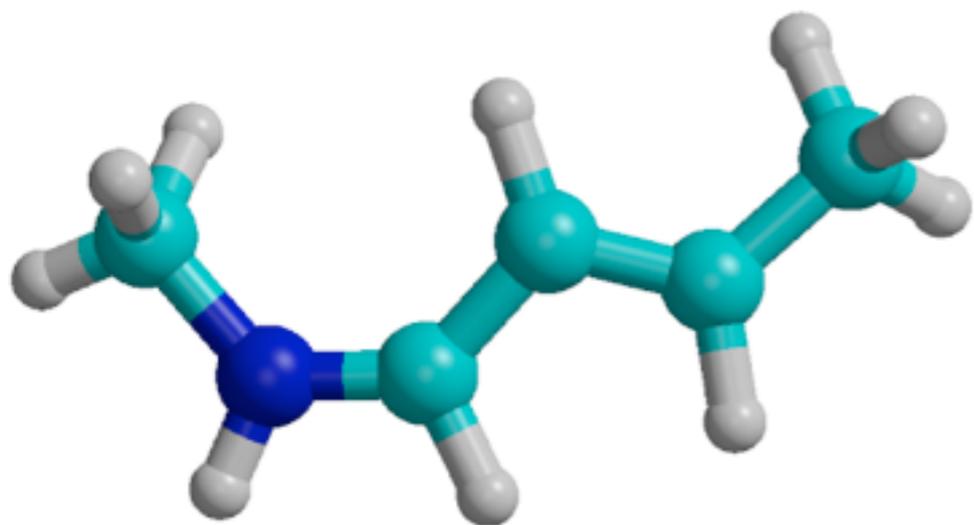
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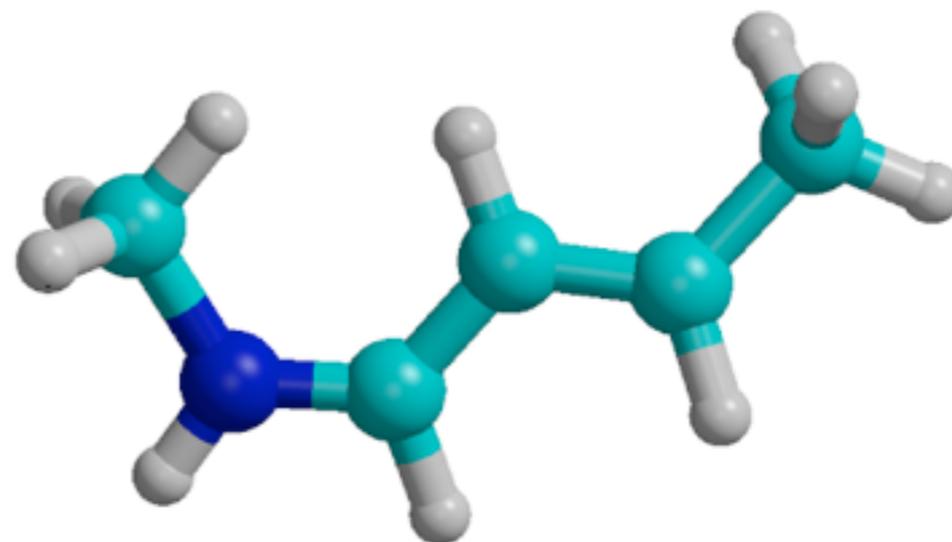


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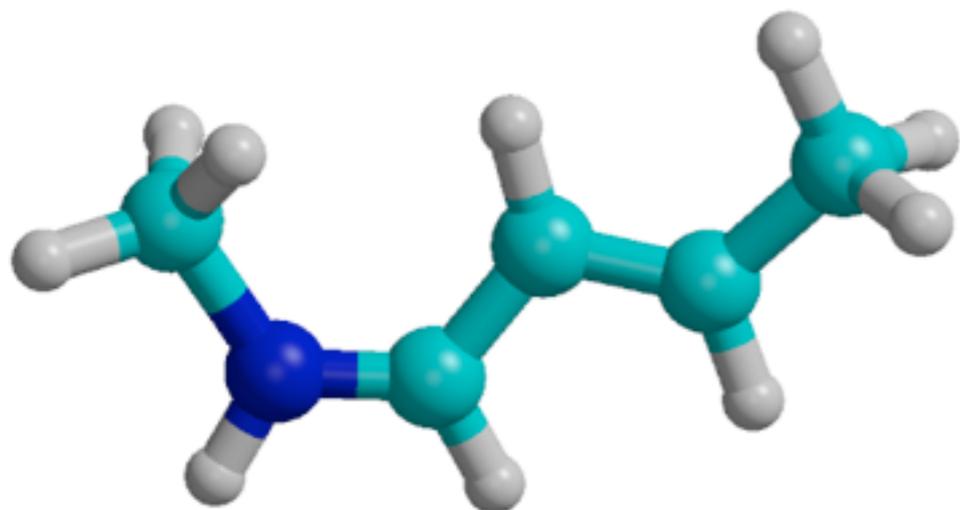
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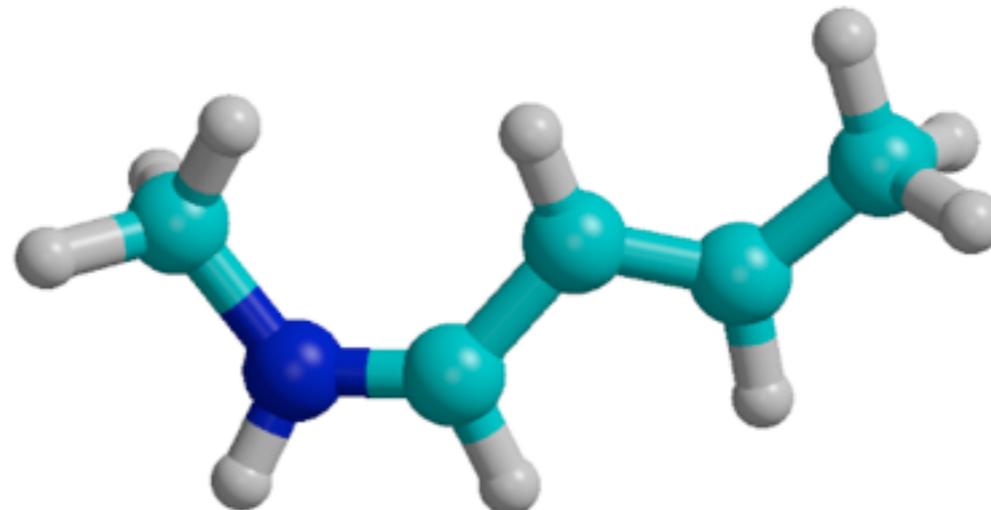


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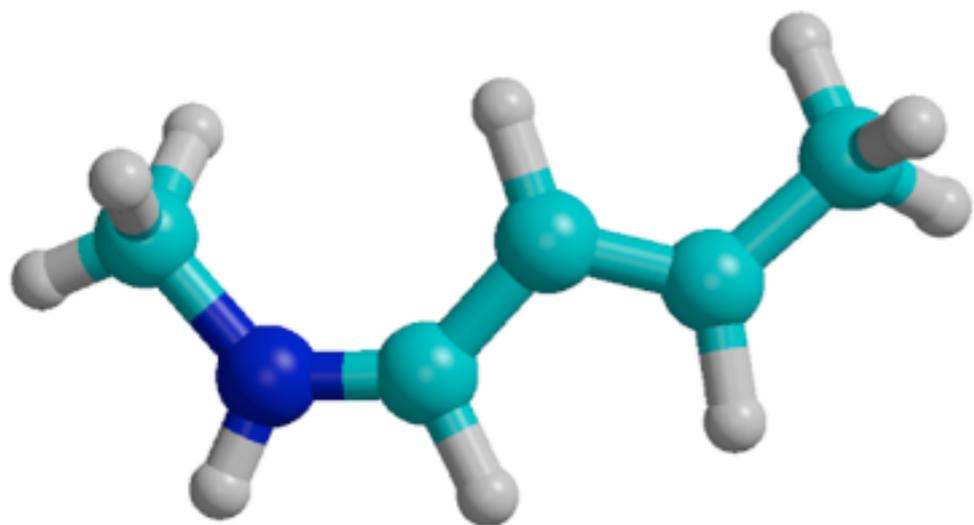


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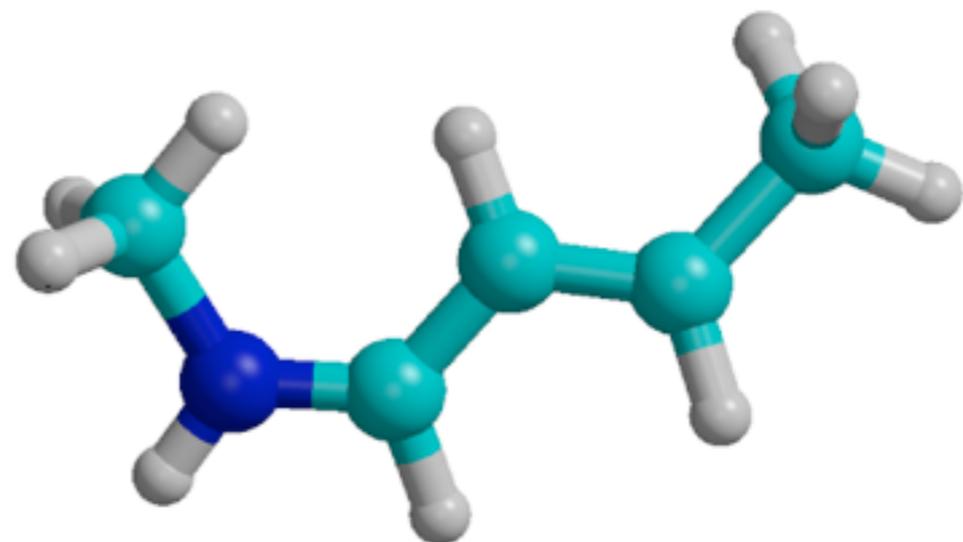


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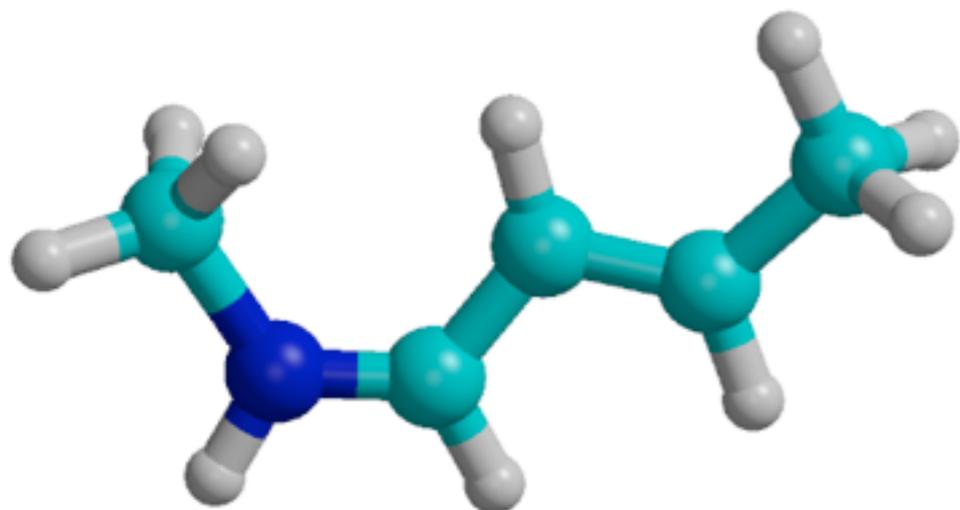
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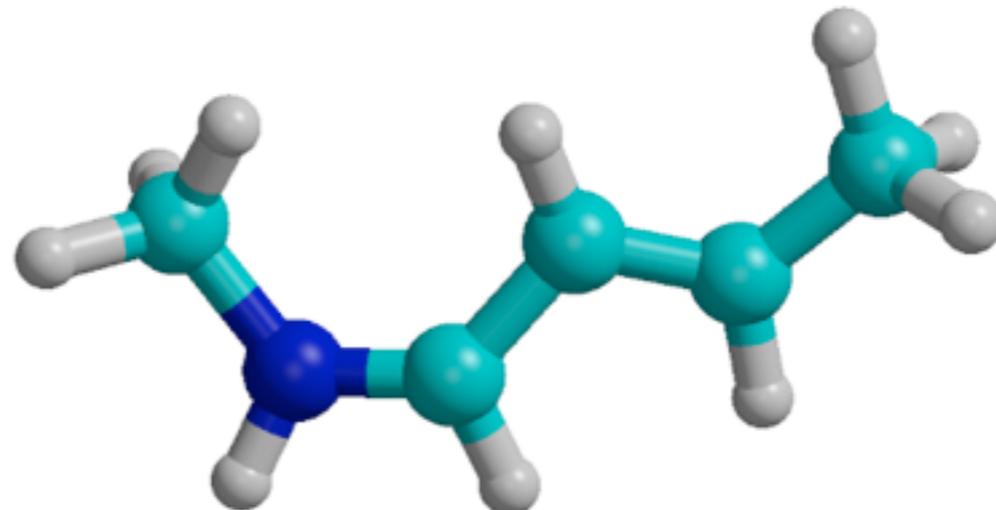


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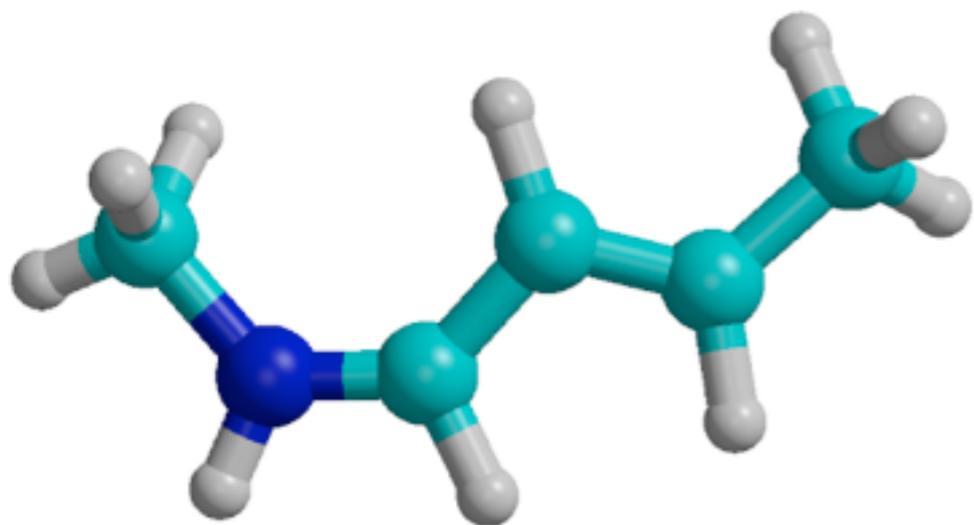


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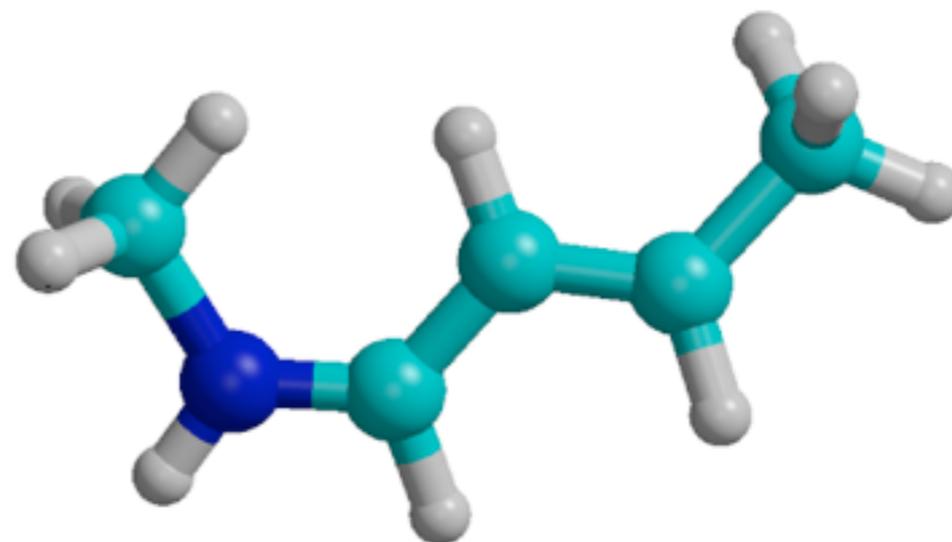


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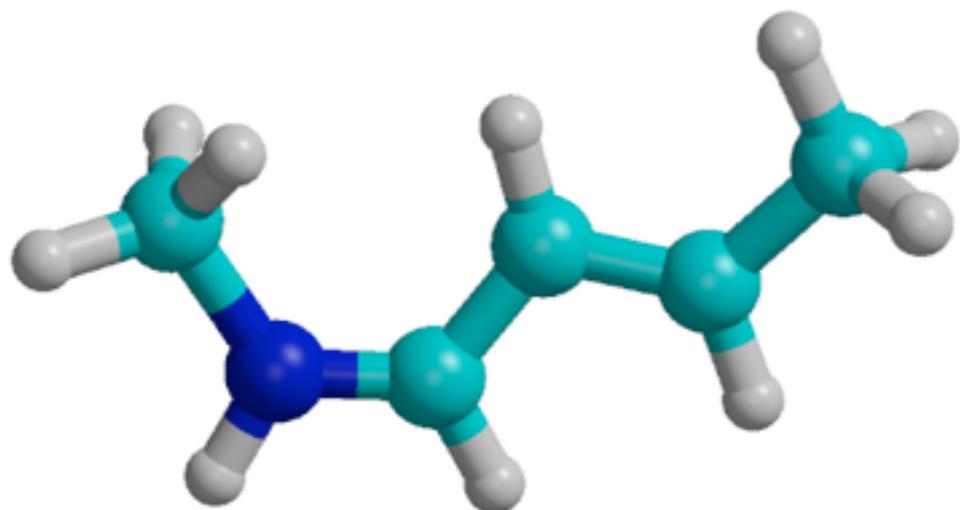
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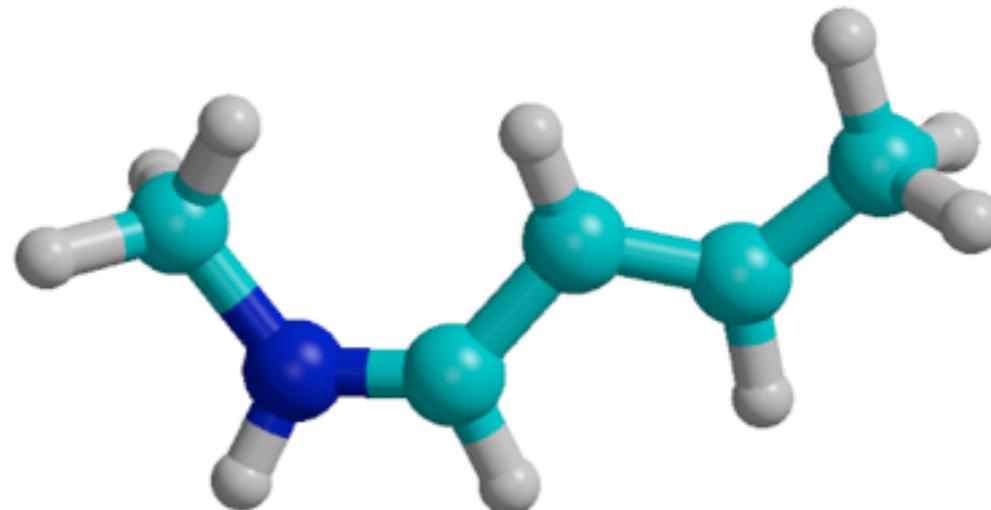


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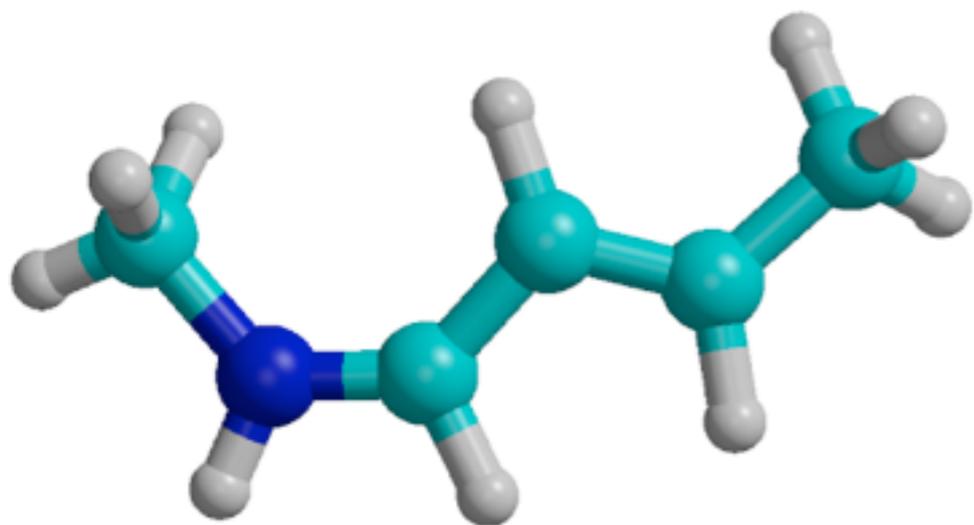


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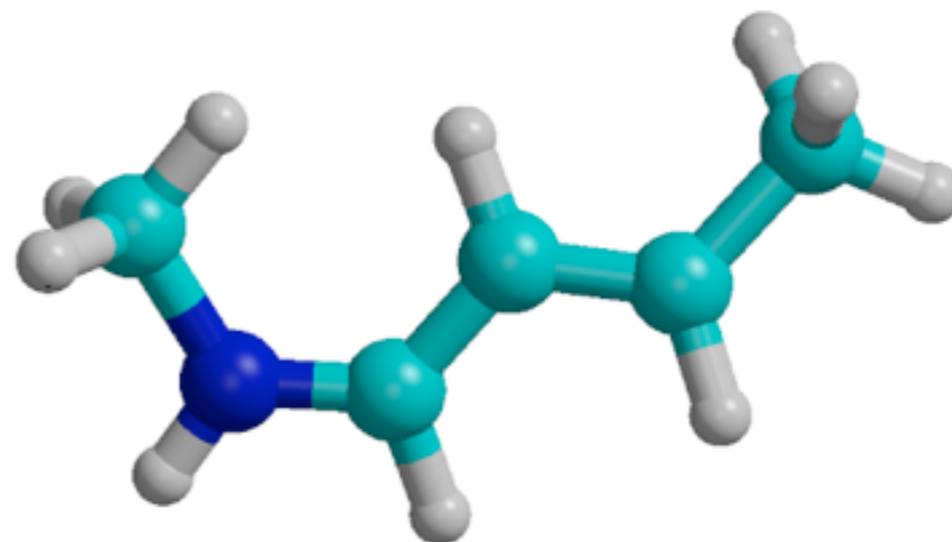


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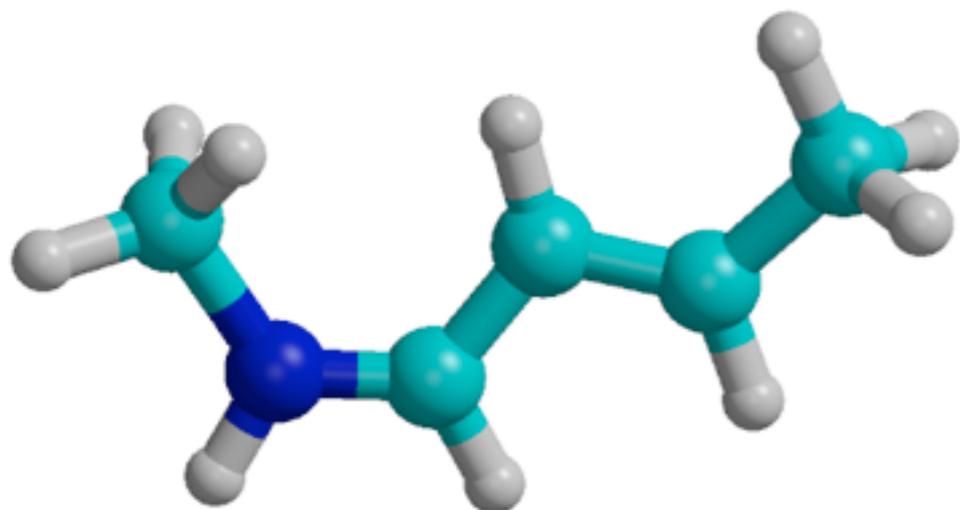
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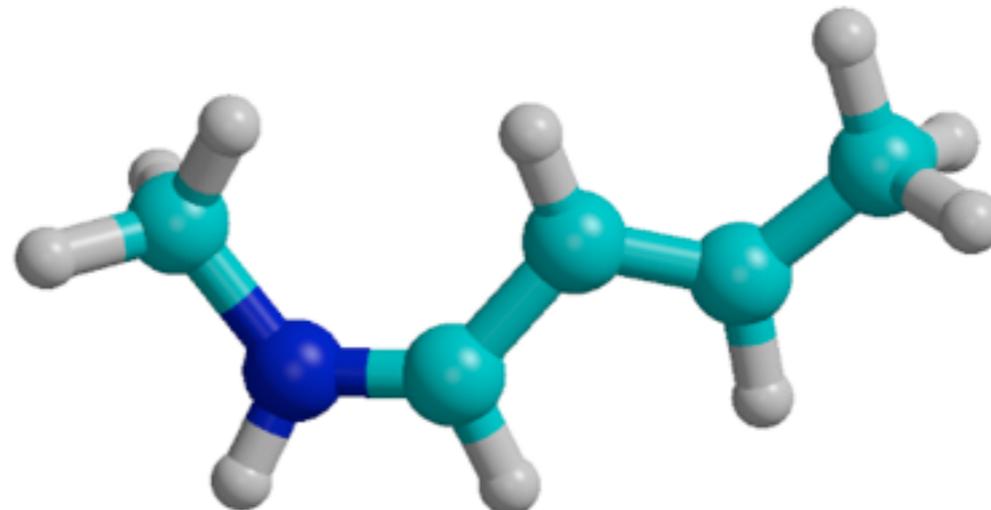


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# Non-adiabatic molecular dynamics

classical/quantum dynamics

electrons: time-dependent Schrödinger equation

nuclei: Newton equation

Ehrenfest dynamics

mean field: state-averaged adiabatic surface

surface hopping

diabatic hopping

Tully's fewest switches surface hopping

main problem: accuracy of PES

excited state electronic structure

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# excited state electronic structure

## restricted Hartree Fock in nutshell

### one particle, mean field theory

#### Slater determinant (Pauli principle)

$$\psi_0(\mathbf{r}) = \det [\phi_1(\mathbf{r}_1)\bar{\phi}_1(\mathbf{r}_2)\phi_2(\mathbf{r}_3)\bar{\phi}_2(\mathbf{r}_4)\dots\phi_{n/2}(\mathbf{r}_{n-1})\bar{\phi}_{n/2}(\mathbf{r}_n)]$$

#### molecular orbitals

$$\hat{f}\phi_i(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_i\phi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

#### Fock operator

$$f_{ij} = \langle \phi_i(\mathbf{r}_1) | h(\mathbf{r}_1) | \phi_j(\mathbf{r}_1) \rangle + \sum_k \left\langle \phi_i(\mathbf{r}_1)\phi_k(\mathbf{r}_2) \left| \frac{2 - \hat{p}_{12}}{|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|} \right| \phi_k(\mathbf{r}_1)\phi_j(\mathbf{r}_2) \right\rangle$$

#### basisset

$$\phi_i(\mathbf{r}_1) = \sum_{\alpha} c_{i\alpha} \chi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}_1)$$

#### density matrix

$$\hat{f} = h + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\lambda} \sum_{\sigma} P_{\lambda\sigma} \left\langle \chi_{\sigma} \left| \frac{2 - \hat{p}_{12}}{|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|} \right| \chi_{\lambda} \right\rangle \quad P_{\mu\nu} = 2 \sum_a^{\frac{1}{2}n_e} c_{\mu a} c_{\nu a}^*$$

#### iterative self-consistent solution procedure

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electron-electron correlation

static correlation

large separation of electrons in pair

near degeneracies: different spatial wavefunctions

multi-configuration SCF

dynamic correlation

short distance: cusp

not so dependent on orbitals/density

perturbation theory

simple distinction not always possible

# excited state electronic structure

## configuration interaction

### functions of one electron

expansion in one-electron functions

$$\phi(x_1) = \sum_i a_i \chi_i(x_1)$$

### functions of two electrons

expansion in one-electron functions, keeping second electron fixed

$$\phi(x_1, x_2) = \sum_i a_i(x_2) \chi_i(x_1)$$

expansion of coefficients in one-electron functions

$$a_i(x_2) = \sum_j b_{ij} \chi_j(x_2)$$

so that

$$\phi(x_1, x_2) = \sum_i \sum_j b_{ij} \chi_i(x_1) \chi_j(x_2)$$

# excited state electronic structure

## configuration interaction

### functions of two electrons

#### Pauli principle

$$\phi(x_1, x_2) = -\phi(x_2, x_1)$$

#### antisymmetric superposition

$$\phi(x_1, x_2) = \sum_i \sum_{j>i} b_{ij} [\chi_i(x_1)\chi_j(x_2) - \chi_j(x_1)\chi_i(x_2)]$$

#### in determinants

$$\phi(x_1, x_2) = \sum_i \sum_j \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} b_{ij} \det [\chi_i(x_1)\chi_j(x_2)]$$

### in general

#### n-electron wavefunction

$$\Psi_i = \sum_j C_{ij} \psi_j = C_{i0} \psi_0 + \sum_{ra} C_{ia}^r \psi_a^r + \sum_{\substack{a < b \\ r < s}} C_{iab}^{rs} \psi_{ab}^{rs} + \dots$$

# excited state electronic structure

## full configuration interaction

exact solution (within finite basisset)

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## truncated configuration interaction

### CISingles

excited states (higher roots)

no correlation in ground state

### CISinglesDoubles

stronger correlation in ground state

### CISinglesDoublesTriples

stronger correlation in excited states than in ground state

...

too expensive: number of configurations blows up

# excited state electronic structure

truncated configuration interaction

CI Singles, Double, Triples ...

systematic

number of configurations blows up

multi-configuration SCF

multiple configurations

free to choose, not black box!

optimize both CI and MO coefficients

basis for higher level methods

MultiReferenceCI

$$\Phi = \sum_I (K_I \Psi_I + \sum_{i,a} K_{Iia} \Psi_{Iia} + \sum_{i,a,j,b} K_{Iiajb} \Psi_{Iiajb} + \dots)$$

a root in MCSCF

single excitations

double excitations

of Slaters in each configuration in root

$$\Psi_i = \sum_j^M C_{ij} \psi_j$$

Slater

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perturbation theory: CASPT2

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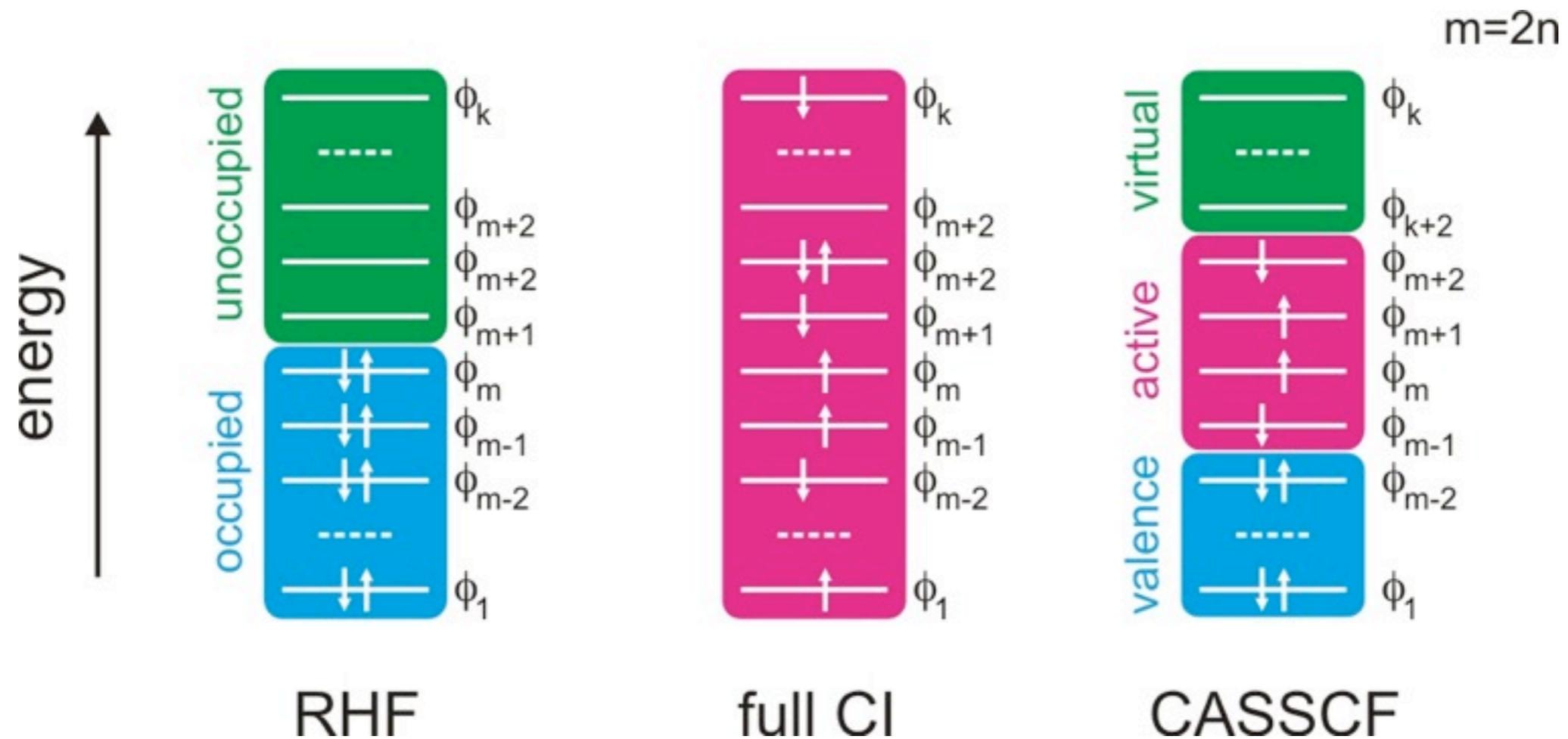
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Complete Active Space SCF

select orbitals for full CI



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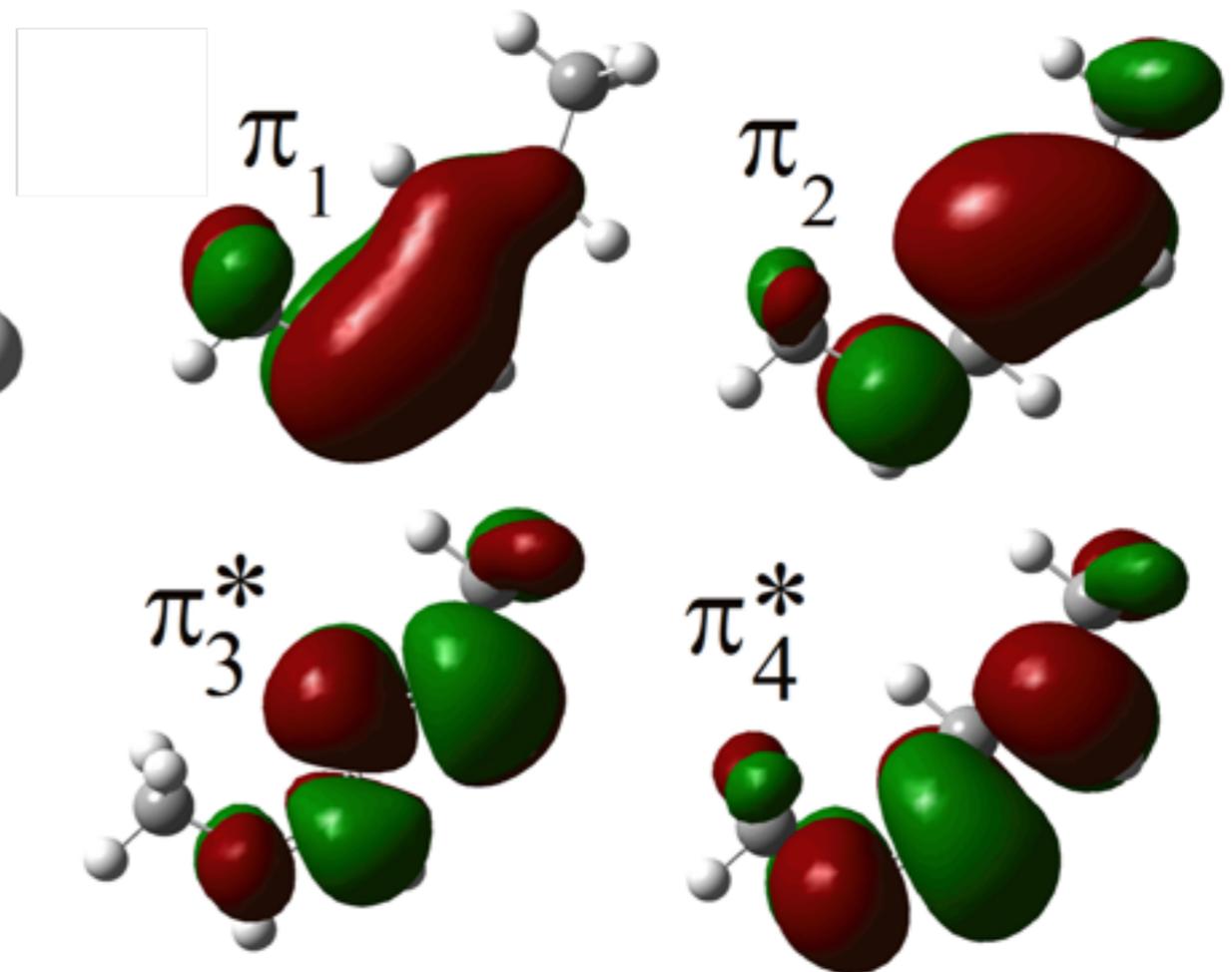
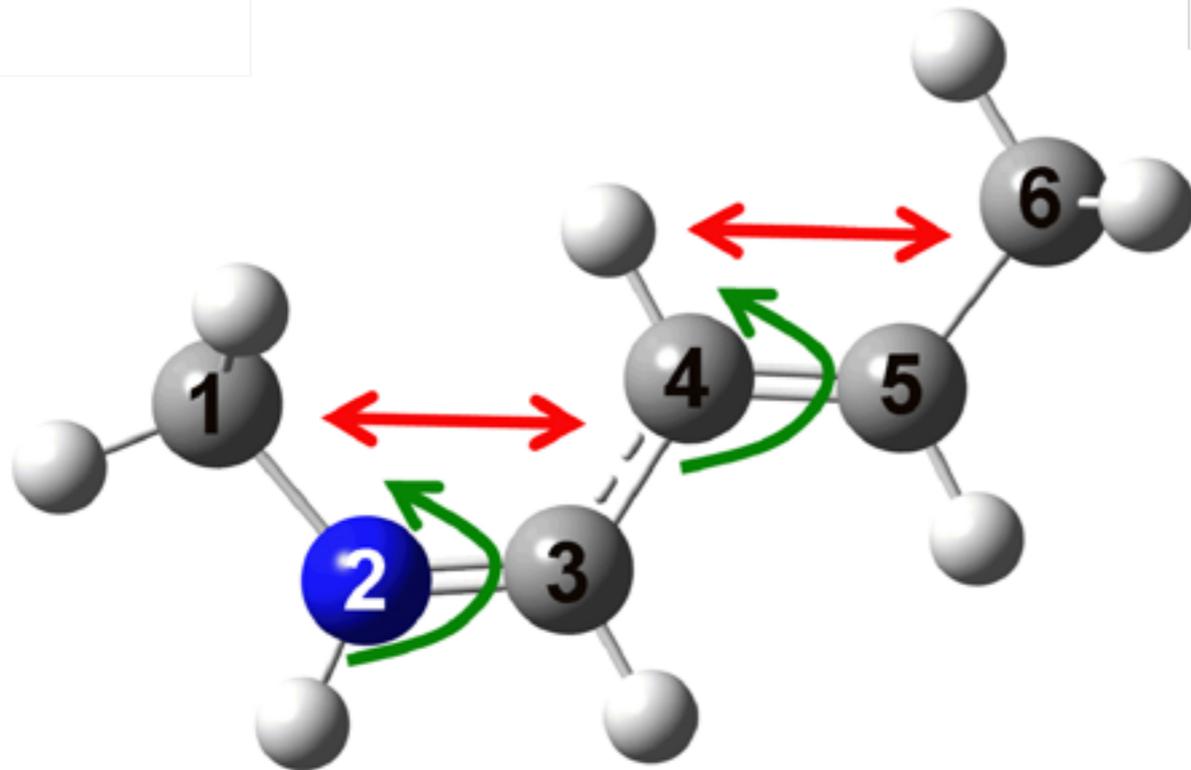
select electrons and orbitals for full CI (HF, NBO)

knowledge/intuition/luck/good co-workers

### example

protonated schiff base

CAS(4,4) with all  $\pi$  orbitals



# excited state electronic structure

## CASSCF

recovers static correlation

near degeneracy

excited states

optimize second root in CI

problem: need expectation values involving both states

$$\langle \psi_{S_0} | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H | \psi_{S_1} \rangle$$

problem: root flipping

state average CASSCF

same molecular orbitals for all states

optimize the weighted average energy

$$E^{\text{SA}} = \sum_i \omega_i E_i$$

average density matrix

# excited state electronic structure

## SA-CASSCF

same molecular orbitals for all states

sometimes orbitals change drastically upon excitation

wavefunction is not variational minimum

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\mathbf{R}}E &= \nabla_{\mathbf{R}}\langle\psi|H|\psi\rangle \\ &= \langle\nabla_{\mathbf{R}}\psi|H|\psi\rangle + \langle\psi|\nabla_{\mathbf{R}}H|\psi\rangle + \langle\psi|H|\nabla_{\mathbf{R}}\psi\rangle\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle\nabla_{\mathbf{R}}\psi|H|\psi\rangle &= \langle\nabla_{\mathbf{c}_{\text{MO}}}\psi|H|\psi\rangle\nabla_{\mathbf{R}}\mathbf{c}_{\text{MO}} + \\ &\quad \langle\nabla_{\mathbf{c}_{\text{CI}}}\psi|H|\psi\rangle\nabla_{\mathbf{R}}\mathbf{c}_{\text{CI}} +\end{aligned}$$

# excited state electronic structure

## SA-CASSCF

### quantities for surface hopping

expression for non-adiabatic coupling

$$\mathbf{F}_{ij}(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{\mathbf{h}_{ij}(\mathbf{R})}{V_i - V_j} + \sum_{a,b} c_{ia}^*(\mathbf{R}) c_{jb}(\mathbf{R}) \langle \psi_a | \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \psi_b \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{h}_{ij}(\mathbf{R}) = \mathbf{C}_i^\dagger(\mathbf{R}) \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{H}^{\text{cf}} \mathbf{C}_j(\mathbf{R})$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{R}} H_{ab}^{\text{cf}}(\mathbf{R}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{R}} \langle \psi_a | H^e(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{R}) | \psi_b \rangle$$

expression for diabatic hop

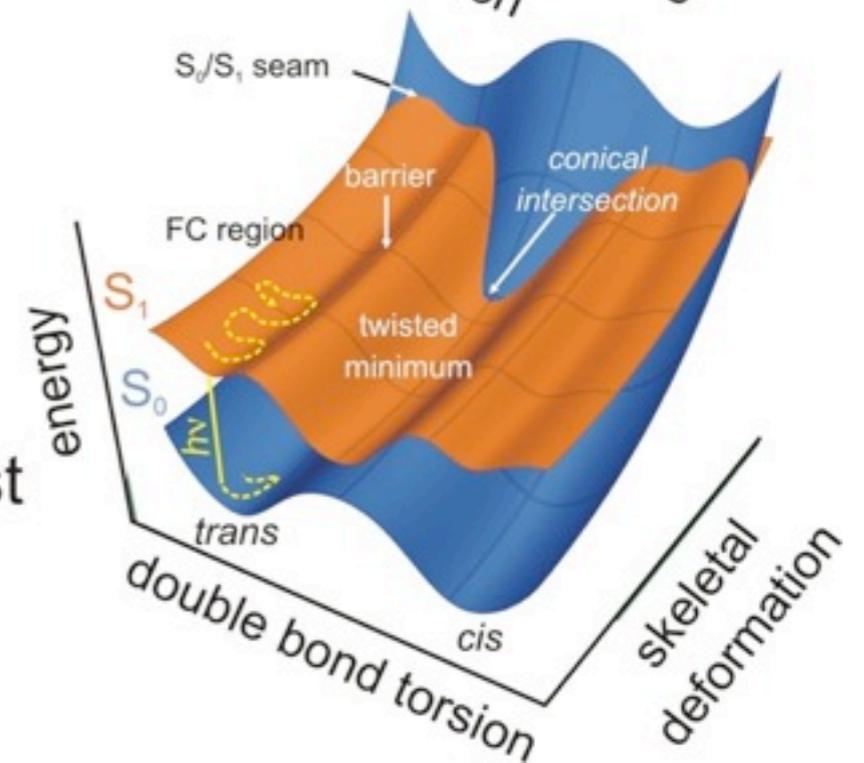
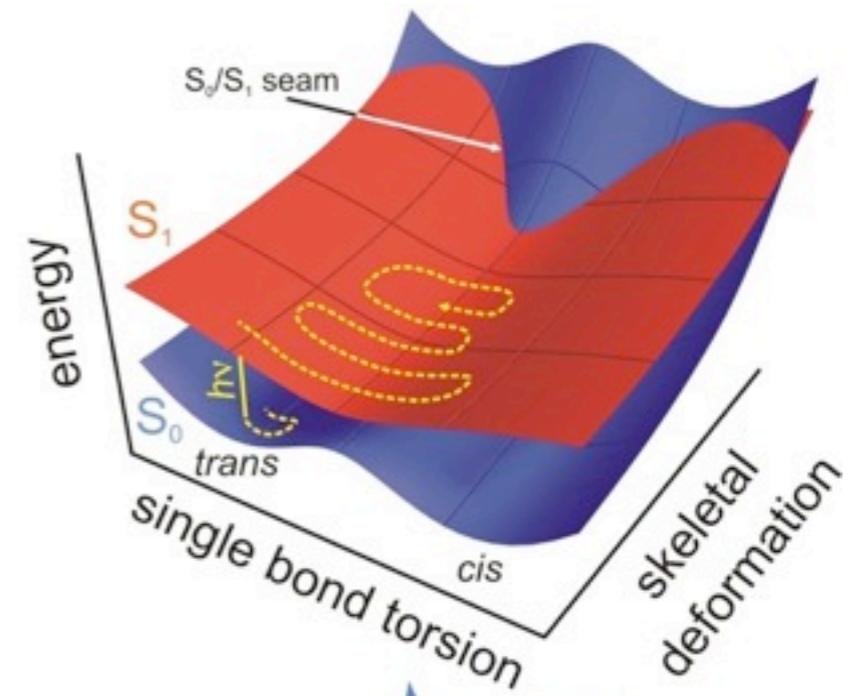
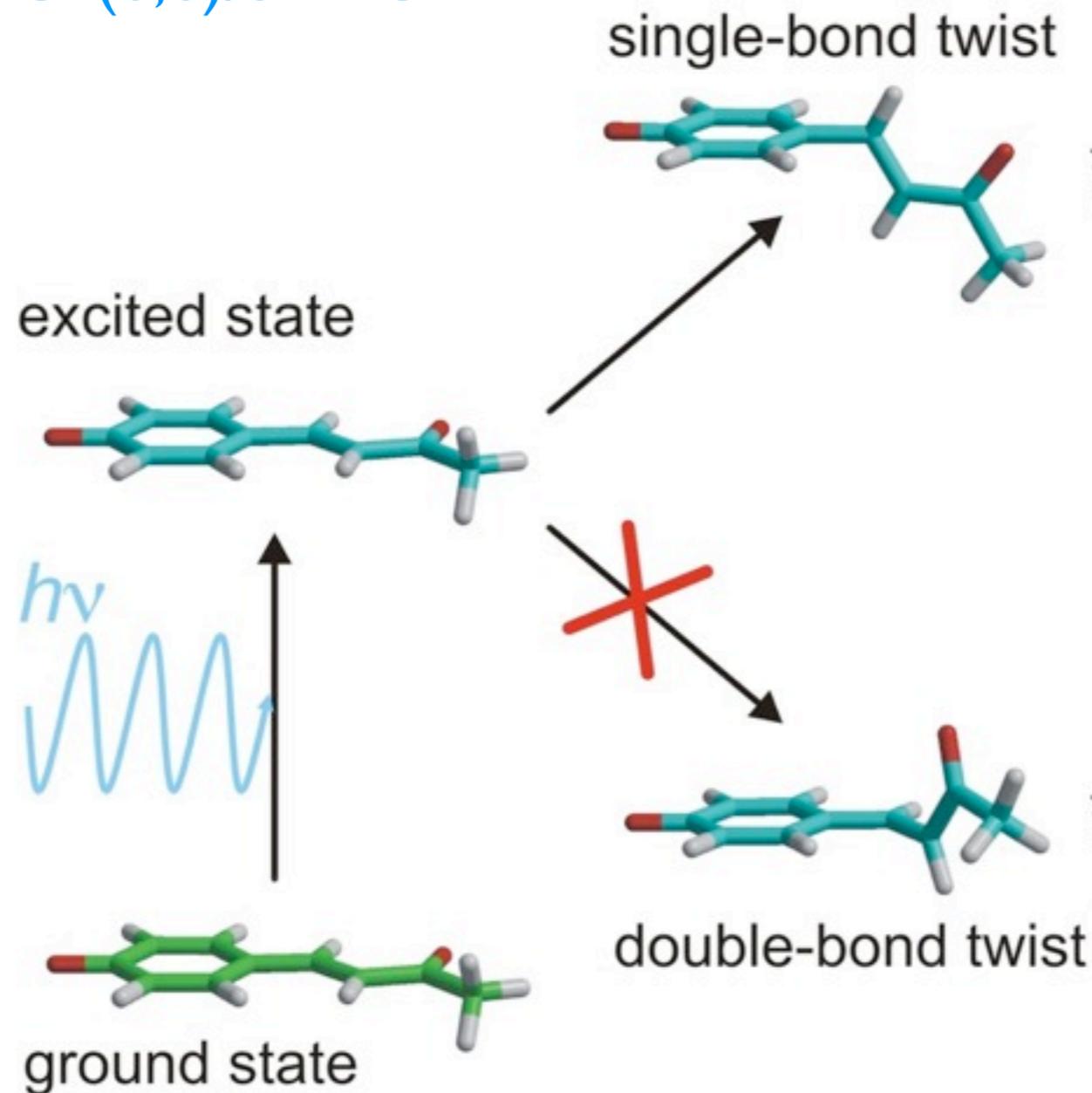
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# Validation of quantum chemistry method

effect of level of theory on  $S_1$  surface

isolated pCK<sup>-</sup> chromophore

SA-CASSCF(6,6)/3-21G



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	level of theory	SB barrier (kJ/mol)	DB barrier(kJ/mol)
	CASSCF(6,6)/3-21G	0.0	3.810
	CASSCF(12,11)/6-31G(d)	0.007	9.442
	CASSCF(12,11)/aug-cc-pVDZ	2.175	5.665
!	CASPT2/aug-cc-pVDZ	0.778	28.592
!	EOM-CCSD/aug-cc-pVDZ	3.859	14.698

consistent: PES seem qualitative correct

competing processes: barrier heights critical for branching!

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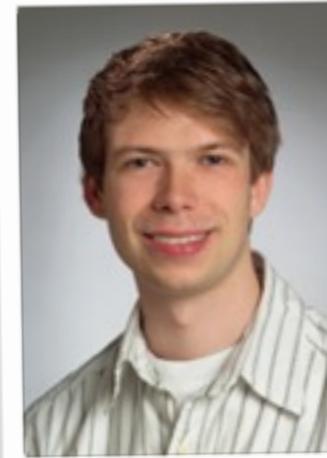
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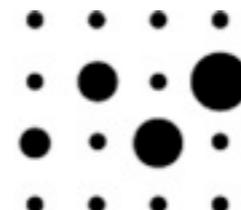
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