

Chapter 13 – Bonding in Diatomics

$$\hat{H}_{HF} \sigma_i(\vec{r}_i) = \varepsilon_i \sigma_i(\vec{r}_i)$$

orbital energy

orbital

LCAO – MO method

Hartree-Fock
equation

$$\sigma_j = \sum_i c_{ij} \phi_i$$

molecular orbital

atomic orbital

(1) choose atomic basis set $\{\phi_i\}$

(2) determine $\{c_{ij}\}$ variationally by minimizing E_{HF}

$$\text{If } \sigma_1 = c_{11}\phi_1 + c_{21}\phi_2 \longrightarrow \sigma = c_1\phi_1 + c_2\phi_2$$

$$\langle \varepsilon \rangle = \frac{\int \sigma_1^* \hat{H}_{HF} \sigma_1 d\tau}{\int \sigma_1^* \sigma_1 d\tau} = \frac{c_1^2 H_{11} + c_2^2 H_{22} + 2c_1 c_2 H_{12}}{c_1^2 + c_2^2 + 2c_1 c_2 S_{12}}$$

$$\partial \langle \varepsilon \rangle / \partial c_1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \partial \varepsilon / \partial c_2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$(H_{11} - \varepsilon)c_1 + (H_{12} - \varepsilon S_{12})c_2 = 0$$

$$(H_{12} - \varepsilon S_{12})c_1 + (H_{22} - \varepsilon)c_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_{11} - \varepsilon & H_{12} - \varepsilon S_{12} \\ H_{12} - \varepsilon S_{12} & H_{22} - \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{21} & H_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} = E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H} \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{E} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{c}$$

$$\text{Nontrivial solution} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{vmatrix} H_{11} - \varepsilon & H_{12} - \varepsilon S_{12} \\ H_{12} - \varepsilon S_{12} & H_{22} - \varepsilon \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(H_{11} - \varepsilon)(H_{22} - \varepsilon) - (H_{12} - \varepsilon S_{12})^2 = 0$$

$$\varepsilon^2 - \varepsilon(H_{11} + H_{22}) + H_{11}H_{22} - (H_{12}^2 - 2\varepsilon H_{12}S_{12} + \varepsilon^2 S_{12}^2) = 0$$

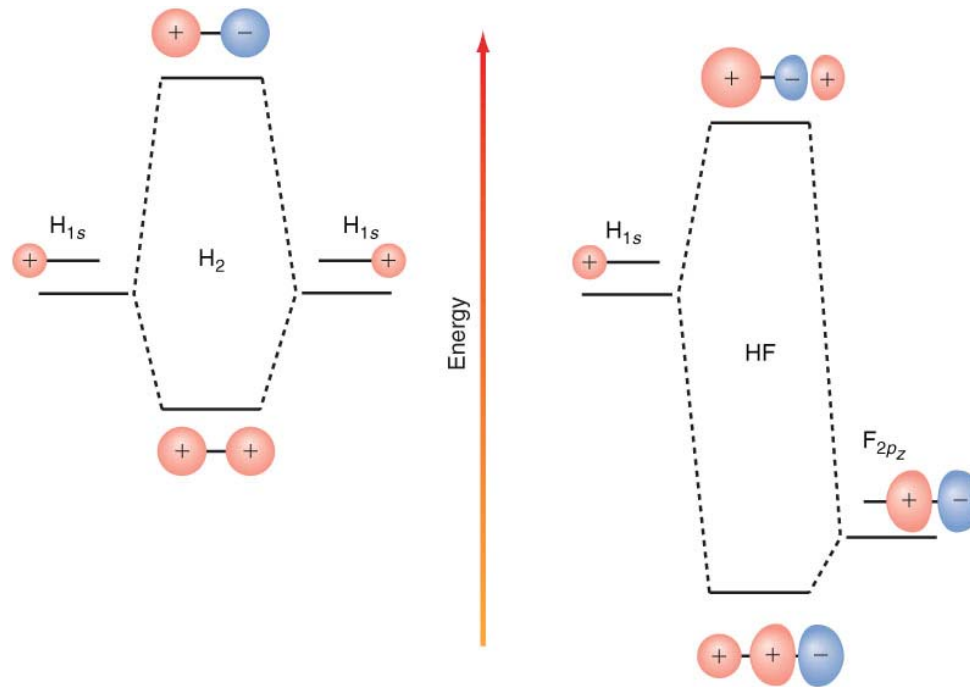
$$\varepsilon = \frac{H_{11} + H_{22} - 2H_{12}S_{12}}{2(1 - S_{12}^2)} \pm \frac{\sqrt{(H_{11} + H_{22} - 2H_{12}S_{12})^2 + 4(1 - S_{12}^2)(H_{12}^2 - H_{11}H_{22})}}{2(1 - S_{12}^2)}$$

For a homonuclear diatomic

$$H_{11} = H_{22} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varepsilon_1 = \frac{H_{11} + H_{12}}{1 + S_{12}}, \quad \varepsilon_2 = \frac{H_{11} - H_{12}}{1 - S_{12}}$$

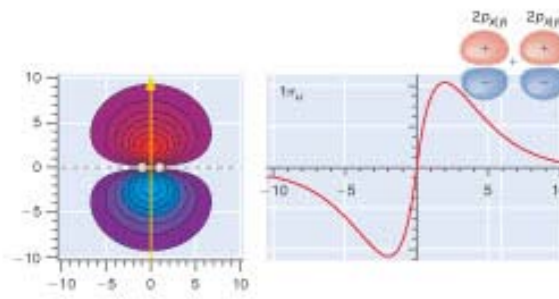
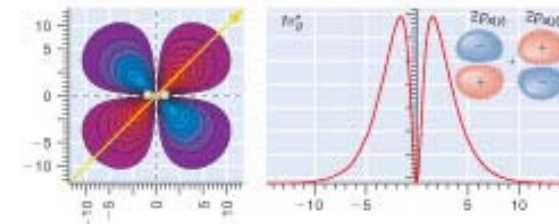
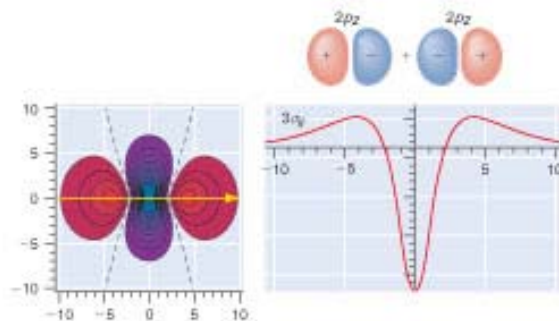
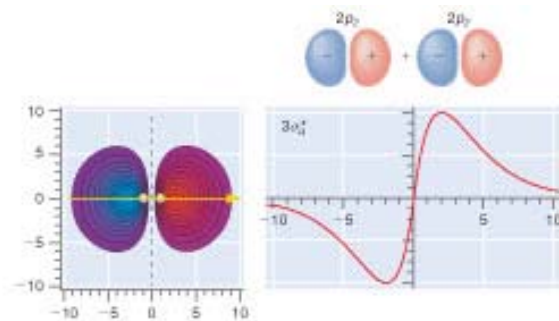
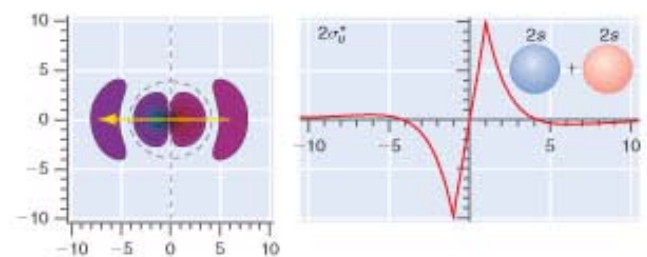
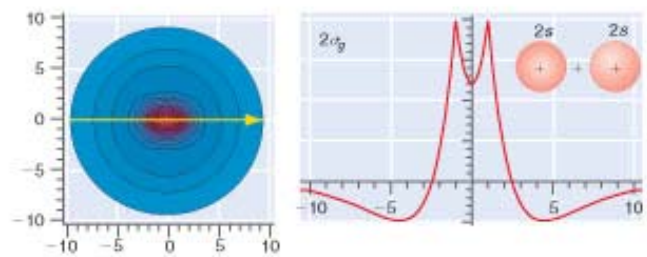
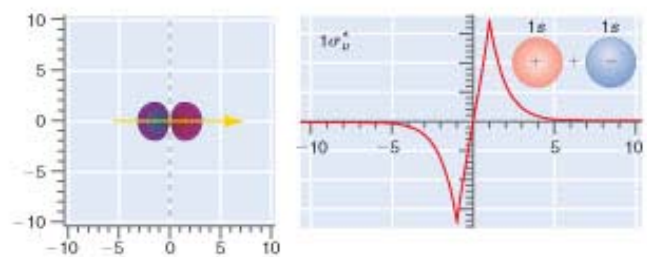
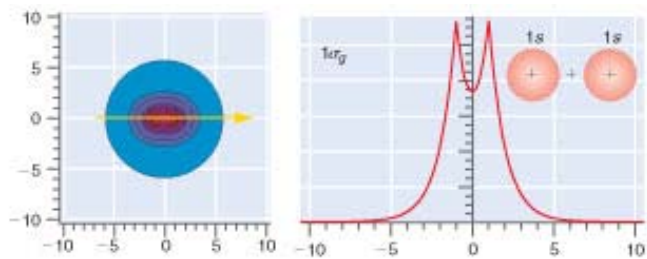
General case with $S_{12} = 0$

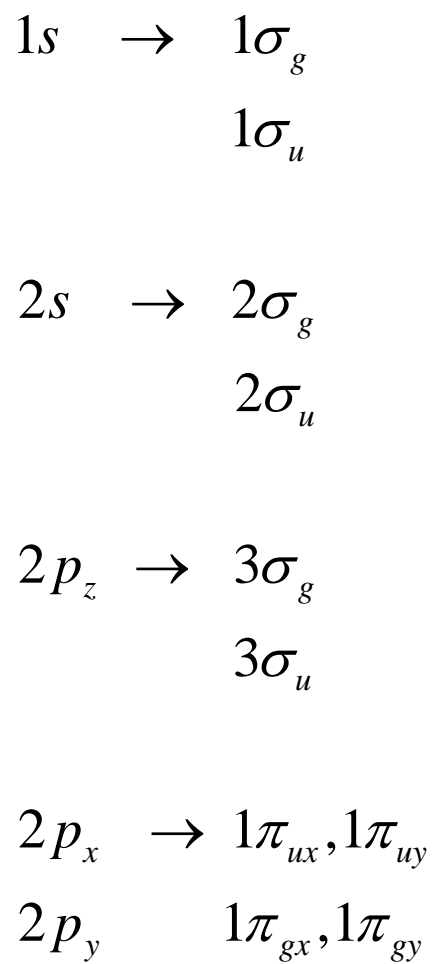
$$\varepsilon = \frac{H_{11} + H_{22}}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(H_{11} - H_{12})^2 + 4H_{12}^2}$$



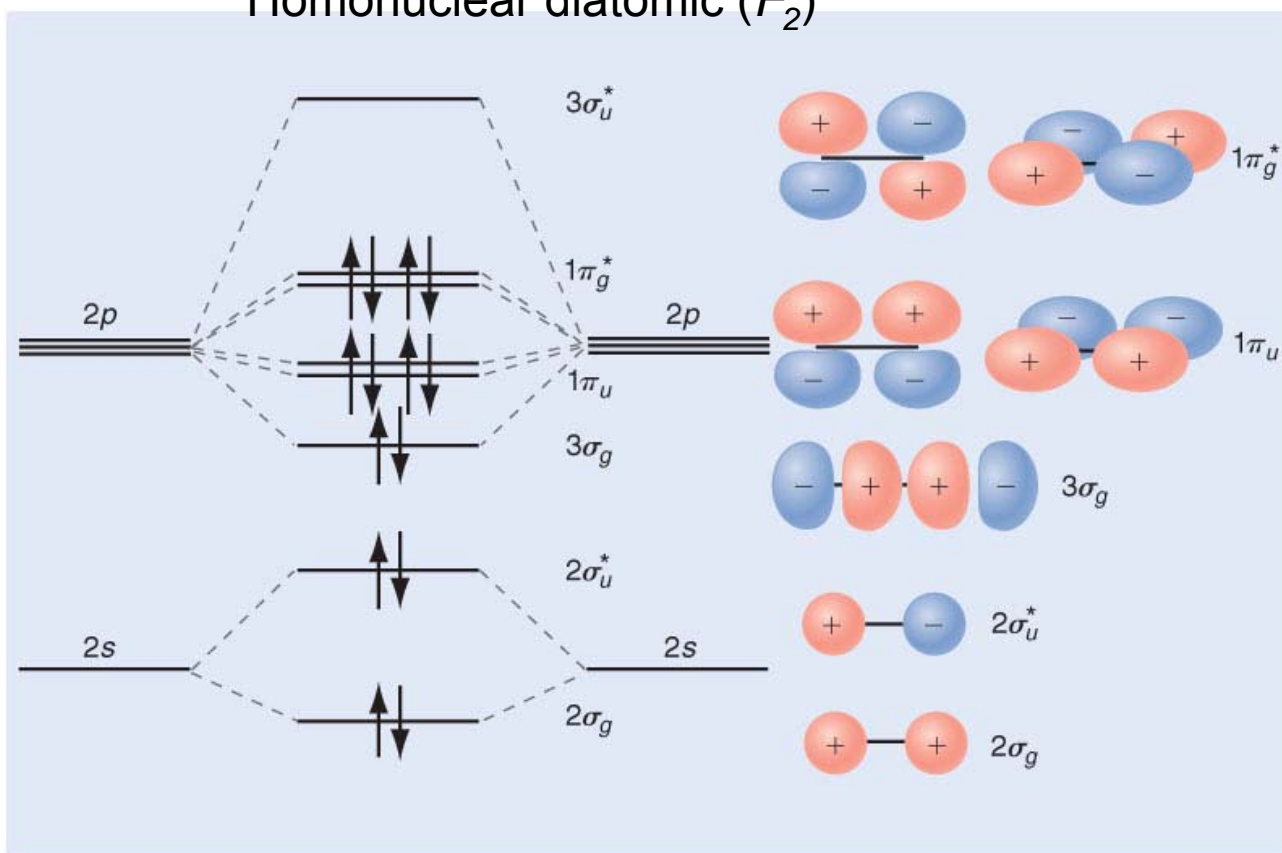
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \varepsilon_+ &\approx H_{11} + \frac{H_{12}^2}{H_{11} - H_{22}} \\ \varepsilon_- &\approx H_{22} - \frac{H_{12}^2}{H_{11} - H_{22}} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \text{if } |H_{11} - H_{22}| \gg 2|H_{12}|$$

Given ε_1 and ε_2 , can solve for c_1
 (actually, $c_{11}, c_{21}; c_{12}, c_{22}$)



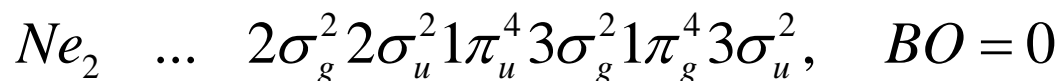
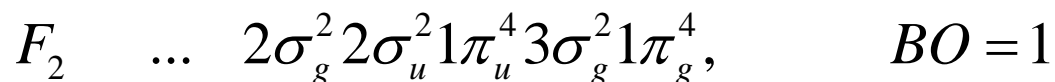
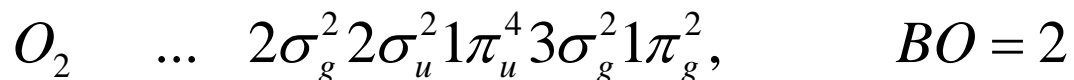
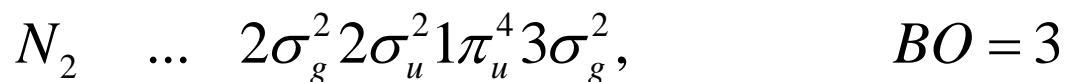
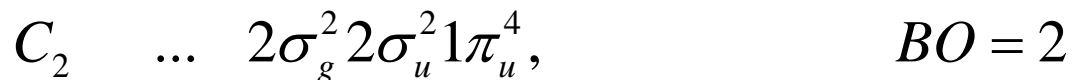
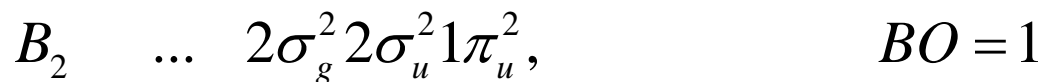
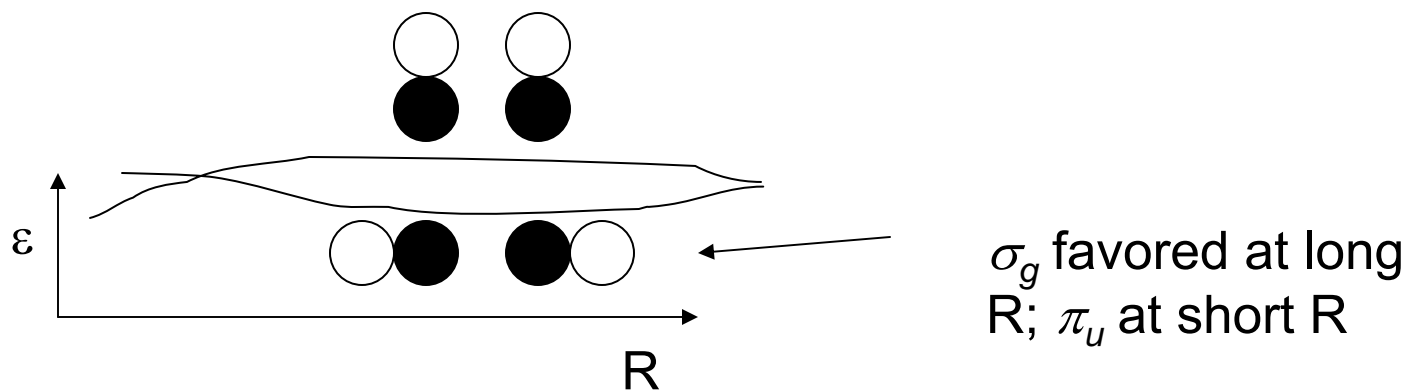


Homonuclear diatomic (F_2)



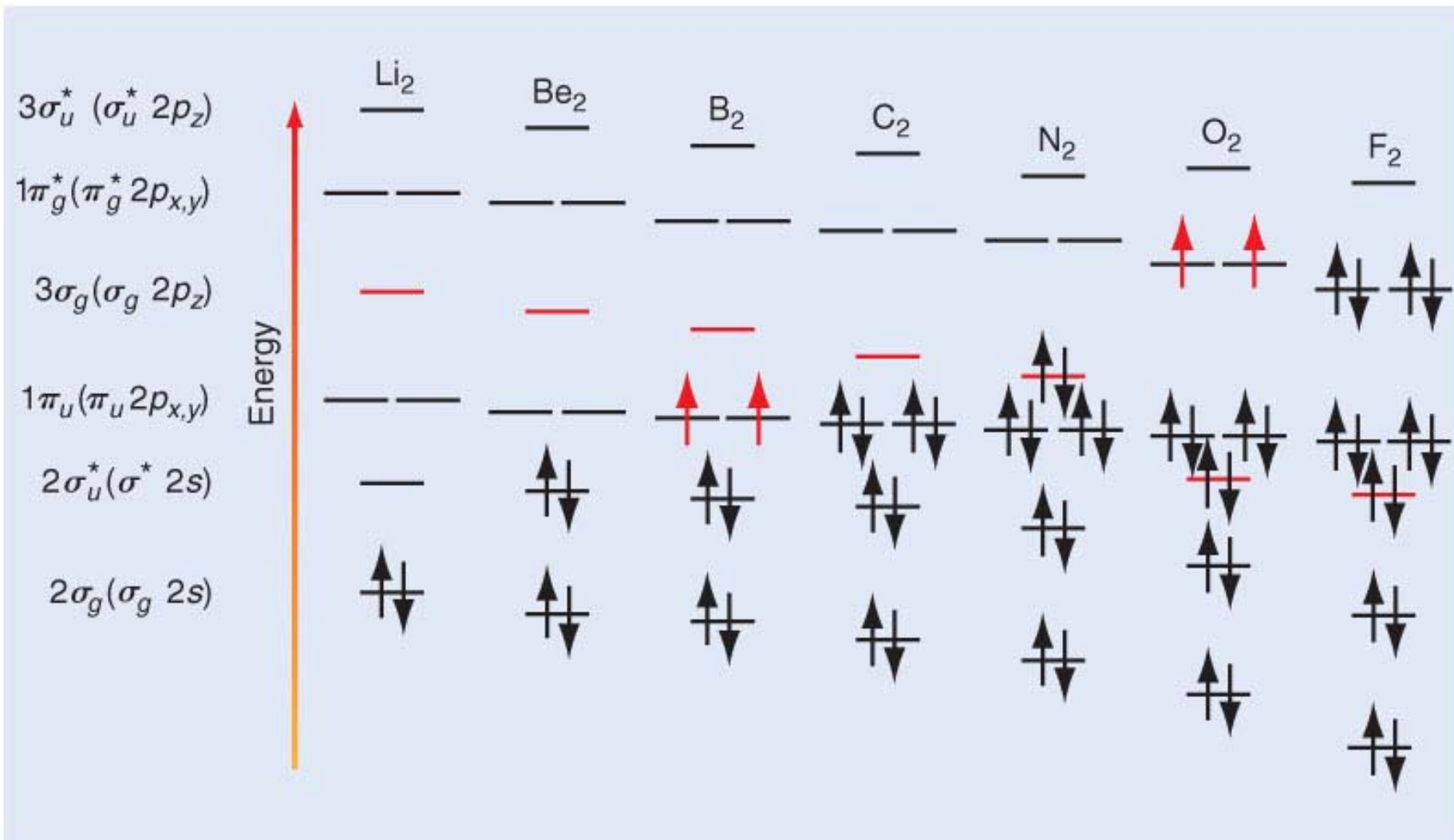
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Exact order of MO's derived from $2p$ AO's depends on distance



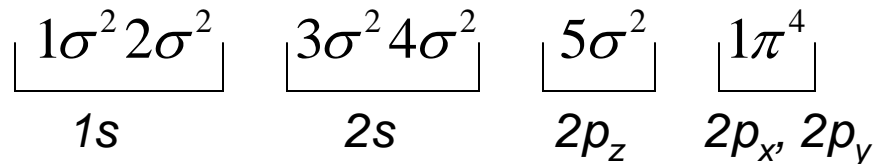
Bond order =
 # bonding –
 # antibonding electron:

2



$$\begin{array}{l}
Li_2 \quad {}^1\Sigma_g \\
Be_2 \quad {}^1\Sigma_g \\
B_2 \quad {}^3\Sigma_g \quad (\text{also } {}^1\Sigma_g, {}^1\Delta_g) \\
C_2 \quad {}^1\Sigma_g \\
N_2 \quad {}^1\Sigma_g \\
O_2 \quad {}^3\Sigma_g \quad (\text{also } {}^1\Sigma_g, {}^1\Delta_g) \\
F_2 \quad {}^1\Sigma_g \\
Ne_2 \quad {}^1\Sigma_g
\end{array}$$

CO \rightarrow isoelectronic with $N_2 \Rightarrow BO = 3$
 "g", "u" symmetry not present



${}^1\Sigma$ ground state

C_2^- isoelectronic with N_2^+

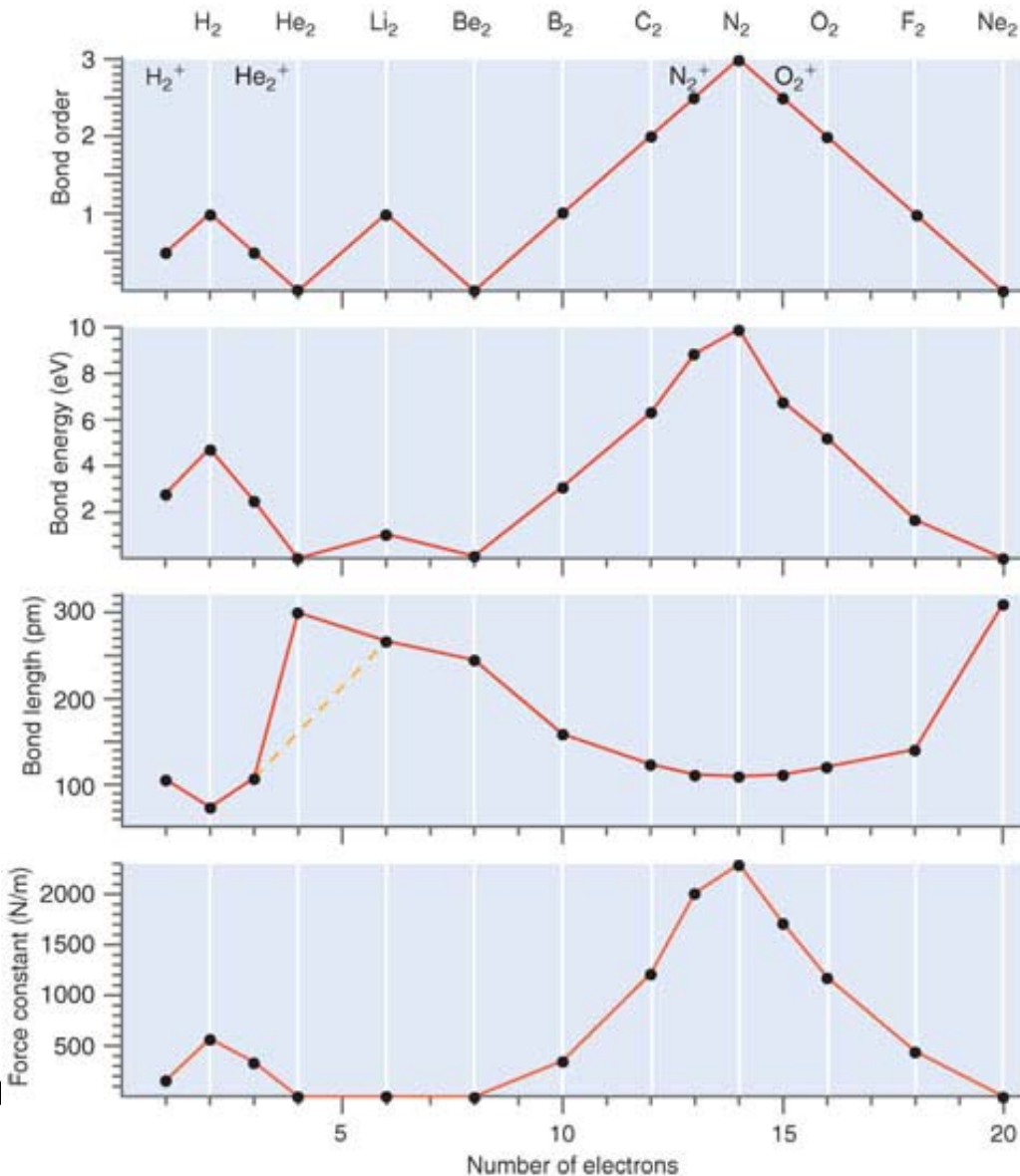
Note B_2 expected to have several low-lying excited states

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1\pi_u^2 \rightarrow {}^3\Sigma_g^-, {}^1\Sigma_g^+, {}^1\Delta_g \\ 3\sigma_g 1\pi_u \rightarrow {}^3\Pi_u, {}^1\Pi_u \\ 3\sigma_g^2 \rightarrow {}^1\Sigma_g \end{array} \right.$$

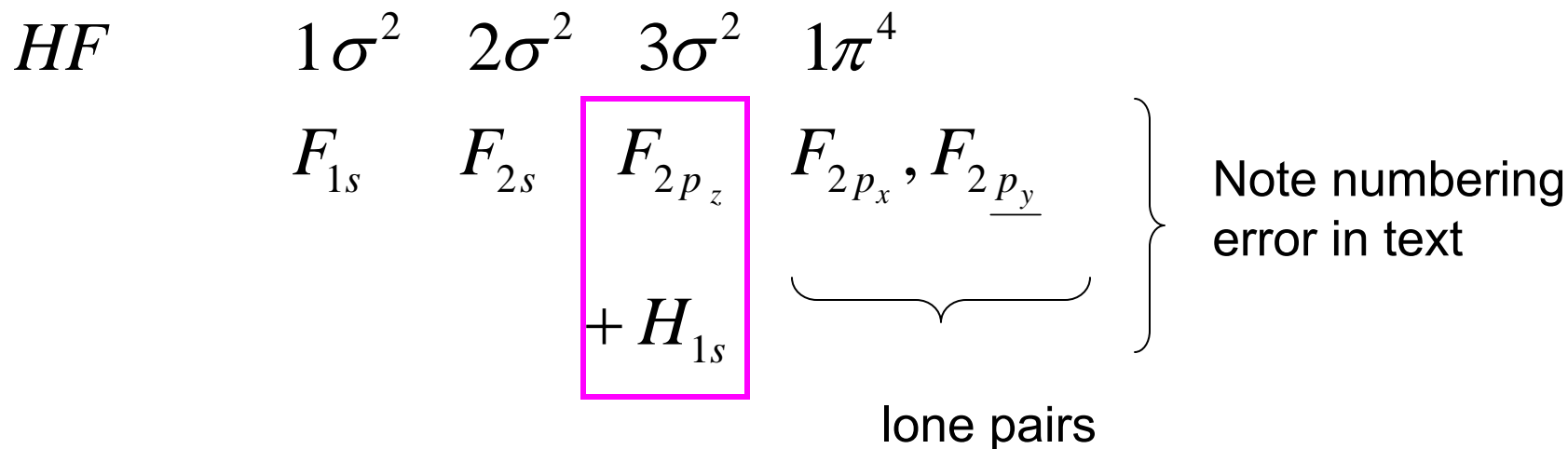
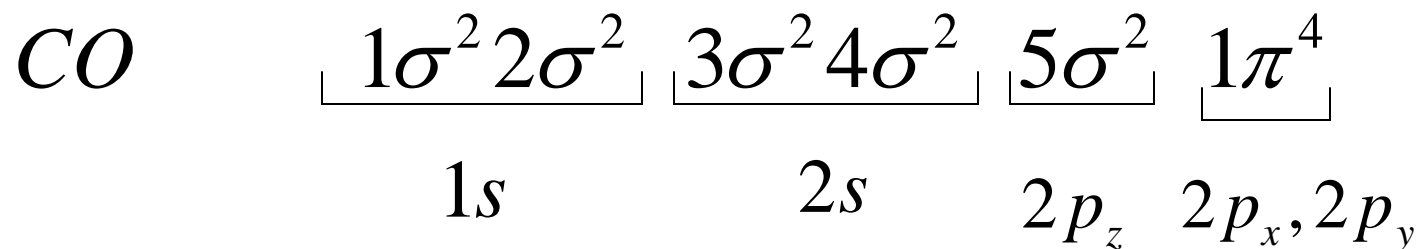
Table 13.11

Correlation between bond order and bond energy

- high bond order \Rightarrow strong bond
- \Rightarrow short R_e
- \Rightarrow large force constant

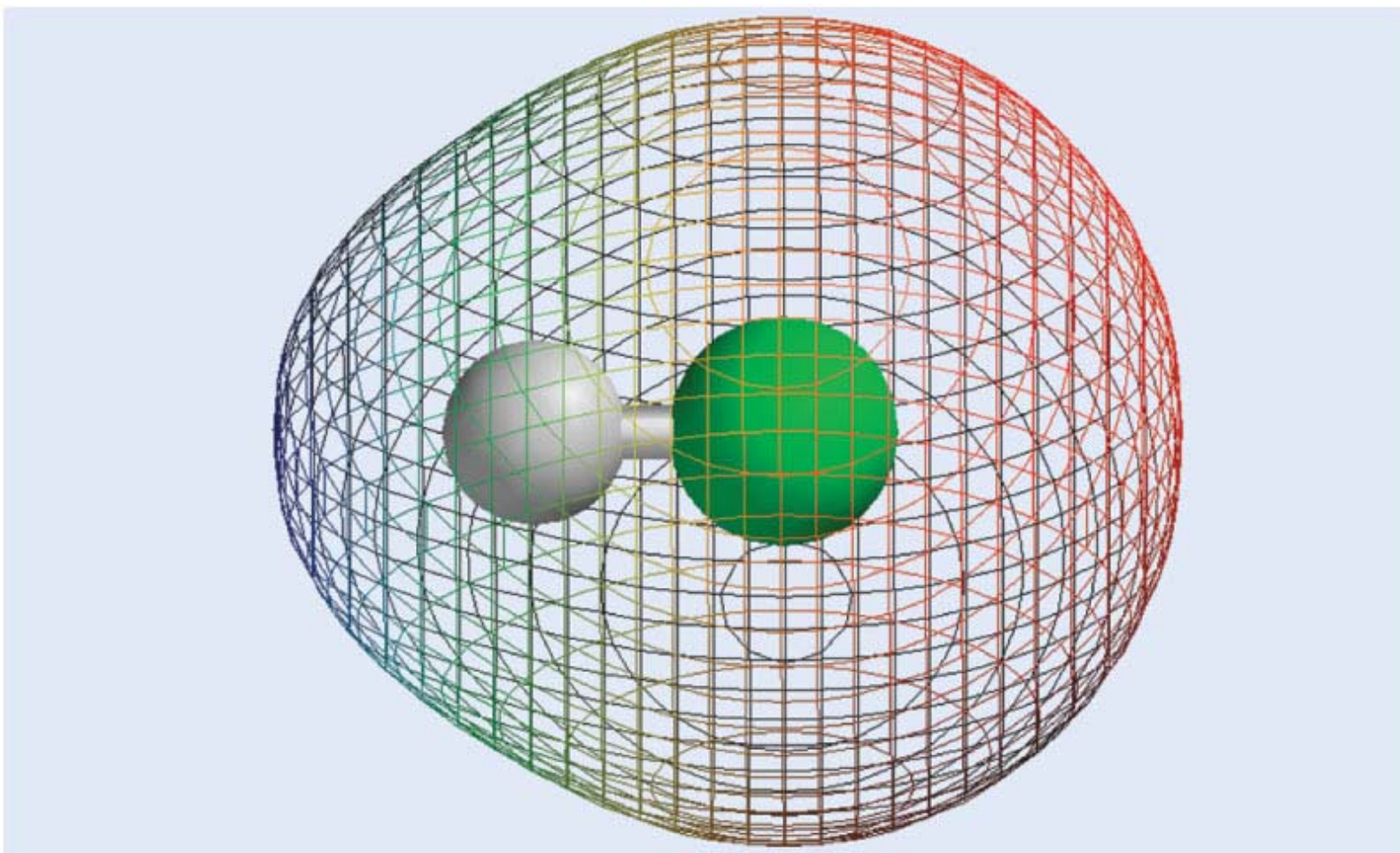


Homonuclear diatomics – g, u symmetry lost



Electrostatic potential

$$\phi(x, y, z) = \underbrace{\sum_i \frac{q_i}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_i}}_{\text{nuclei}} - e \underbrace{\int \frac{\rho(x, y, z)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_e} dx dy dz}_{\text{electrons}}$$



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Electrostatic potential: HF