

Molecular Orbital Theory

Lecture 5

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Outline

MO Diagram Construction Details

● the splitting energy

- ◆ energy
- ◆ coefficients
- ◆ overlap
- ◆ H_{ab}

● symmetry adapted fragment orbitals

- ◆ generate fragment orbitals for H_3
- ◆ generate a reducible representation
- ◆ introduce and use the Reduction Formula
- ◆ introduce and use the Projection Operator
- ◆ consider degenerate orbitals

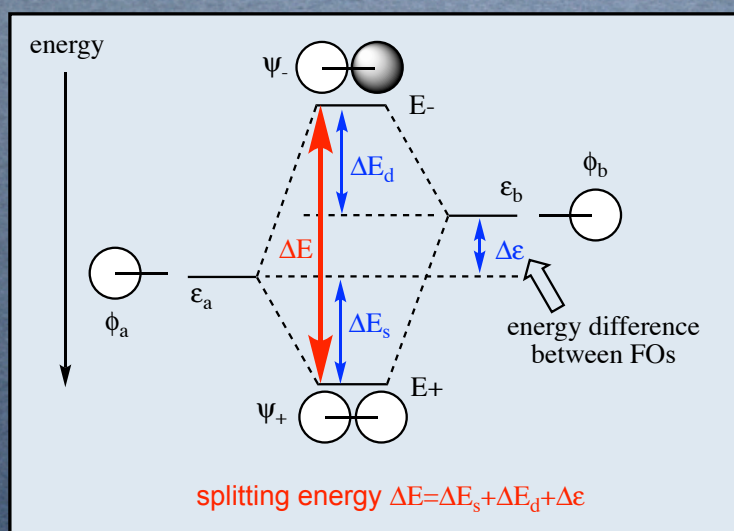
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Splitting Energy

Splitting energy

$$E = \Delta E_s + \Delta E_d + \Delta \epsilon$$

- ◆ Φ_a and Φ_b are FOs
- ◆ ϵ_b and ϵ_a FO energy levels
- ◆ $\Delta \epsilon = \epsilon_b - \epsilon_a$ energy difference
- ◆ $E+$ and $E-$ MO energy levels
- ◆ ΔE_s = stabilisation energy
- ◆ ΔE_d = destabilisation energy



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Splitting Energy

Depends on 3 quantities

Important!

- energy difference between FO: $\Delta \epsilon = \epsilon_i - \epsilon_j$
- extent of orbital overlap: $S_{ab} = \langle \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle$ (direct orbital overlap)
- orbital coupling: $H_{ab} = \langle \phi_a | H | \phi_b \rangle$ (molecule mediated orbital overlap)

Dirac notation:

$$\langle \psi | \psi \rangle = \int \psi \psi d\tau$$

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Overlap

- S_{ab} recovers direct overlap of orbitals

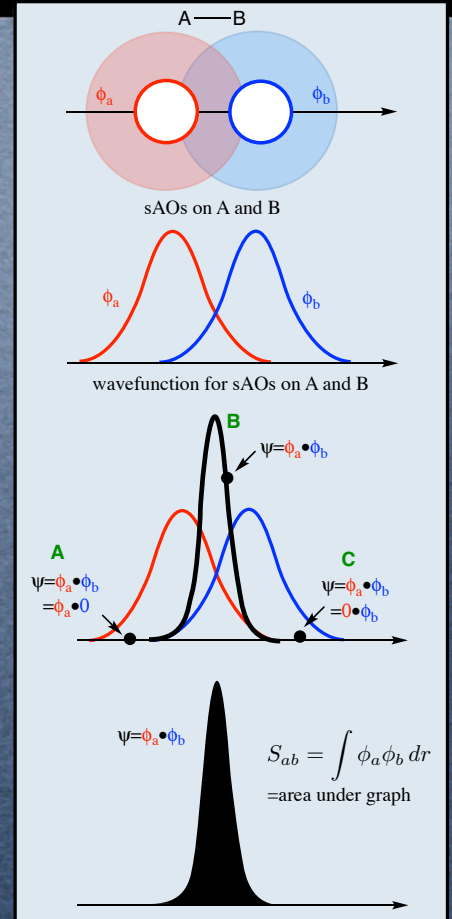
$$S_{ab} = \langle \phi_a | \phi_b \rangle = \int \phi_a \phi_b dr$$

- Break this down:

- ◆ two wavefunctions on different atoms
- ◆ in 2d → two gaussian curves
- ◆ MULTIPLY them together
- ◆ then we want the AREA under the curve

- S is a number

- ◆ large S is good overlap
- ◆ low S is poor overlap



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H_{ab} "Overlap"

- H_{ab} H mediated "overlap" of the orbitals

$$H_{ab} = \langle \phi_a | H | \phi_b \rangle = \int \phi_a H \phi_b dr$$

- Go back to the Schrödinger equation

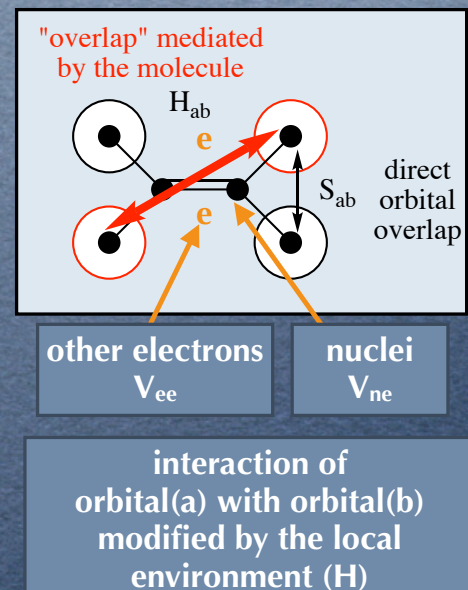
- ◆ solving the wave equation gives the MOs

- H contains interaction of e with

- ◆ nuclei (V_{en})
- ◆ other electrons (V_{ee})

$$E\psi = H\psi$$

$$H = T_n + T_e + V_{ee} + V_{en} + V_{nn}$$

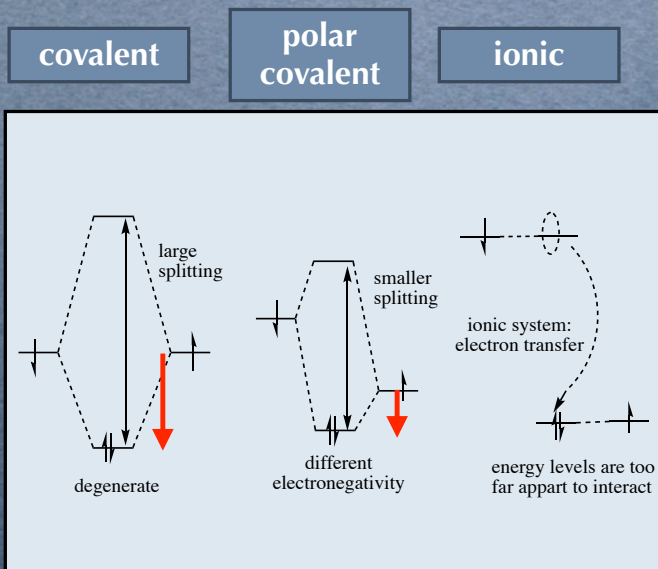


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FO Energy Difference $\Delta\varepsilon$

Important!

- degenerate orbitals have largest splitting
- sliding scale
- as FO shift apart splitting energy is reduced
- point is reached at which there is no interaction



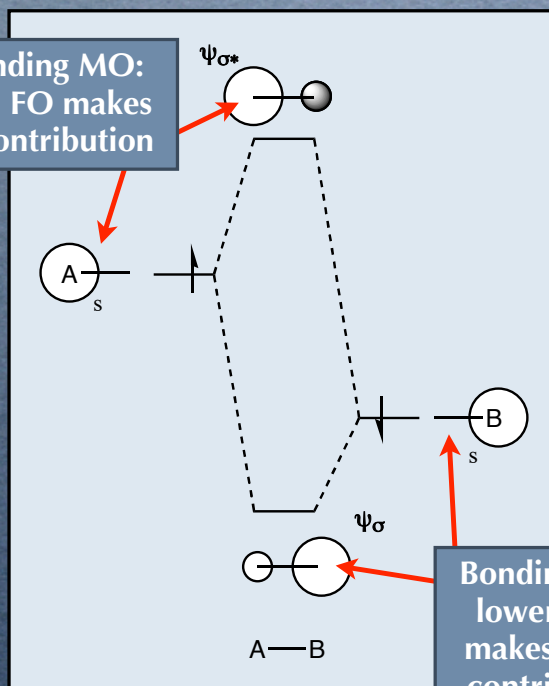
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FO Energy Difference $\Delta\varepsilon$

- C's are represented in the size of the AO contributions

$$\psi_{\Gamma} = N(c_1\psi_1 + c_2\psi_2 + \dots + c_n\psi_n) = N\sum c_i\psi_i$$

Antibonding MO:
higher E FO makes
larger contribution



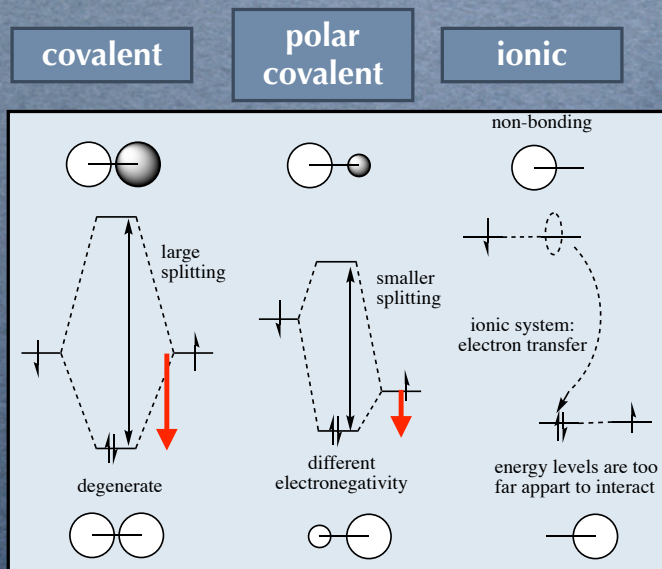
Bonding MO:
lower E FO
makes larger
contribution

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FO Energy Difference $\Delta\varepsilon$

C's are represented in the size of the FOs

- ◆ the larger the energy gap the greater the disparity in FO contributions
- ◆ the larger the energy gap the more polar the bond (more ionic), until eventually there is no covalent interaction, the bond is ionic



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Orbital Overlap

Depends on

- ◆ distance
- ◆ orientation and directionality
- ◆ diffusivity

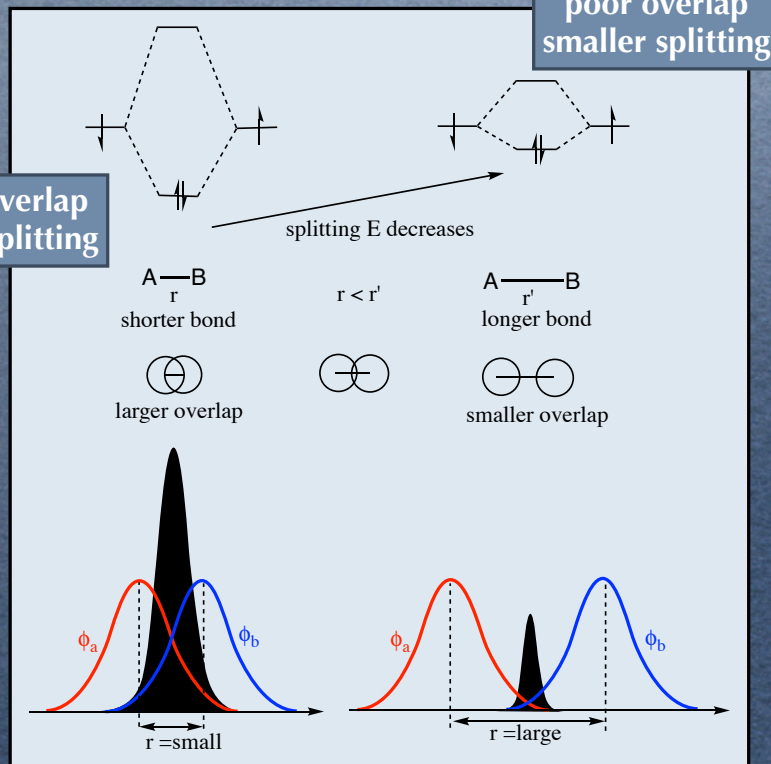
we don't always draw orbitals explicitly overlapping

Important!

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Orbital Overlap: Distance

- close atoms have more overlap
- larger overlap means greater splitting



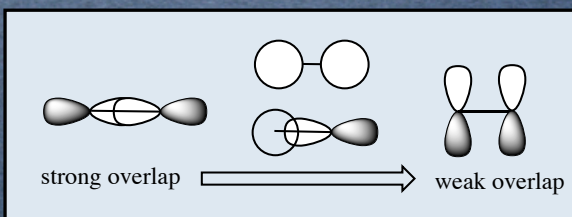
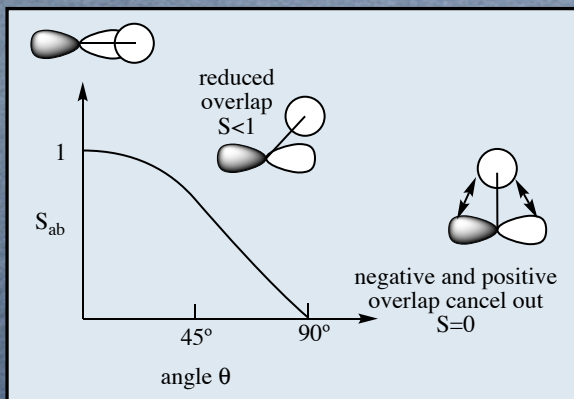
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Orbital Overlap: Orientation

- sAO overlap, orientation has no effect
- pAO overlap orientation is important
 - in-line overlap is strong
 - as bending increases overlap rapidly decays
- directed interactions

sigma orbitals overlap better than pi orbitals

overlap: $p_\sigma > s_\sigma \approx sp_\sigma > p_\pi$



orbitals orientated toward each other overlap better

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Orbital Overlap: Diffusivity

diffuse orbitals

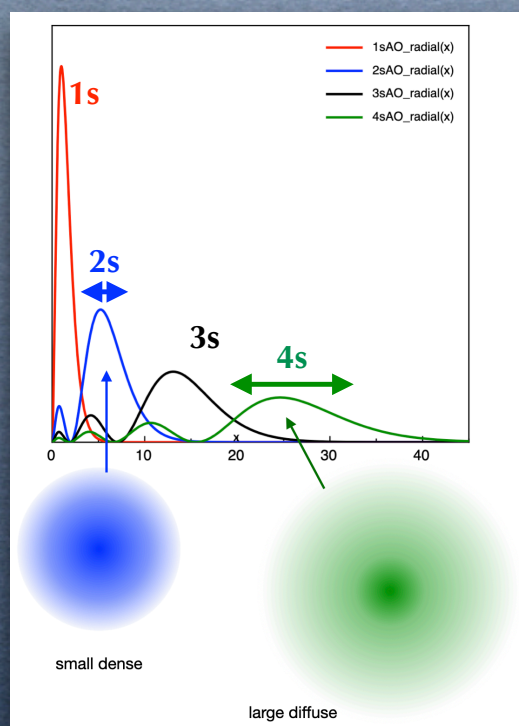
- ◆ large (good overlap)
- ◆ slow overlap decay with distance
- ◆ but electron density is low!

condensed orbitals

- ◆ overlap is strong at short distance
- ◆ but overlap decays very quickly
- ◆ s-s overlap can be greater than directed p-p

general: more diffuse = weaker S_{ab}

highly system dependent



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Symmetry Adapted Orbitals

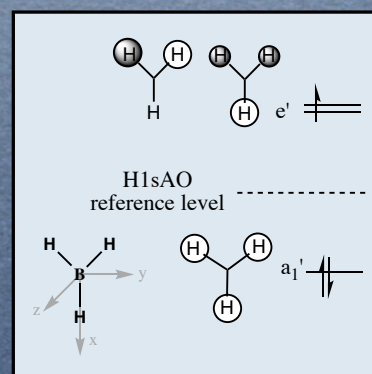
symmetry adapted orbitals are the fragment orbitals of symmetry fragments

- ◆ as opposed to molecular fragments

we will use the H_3 fragment orbitals as an example

process

- ◆ generate a reducible representation
- ◆ use reduction formula
- ◆ use the projection operator
- ◆ draw out and label the symmetry FOs!



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Isolobal Orbitals

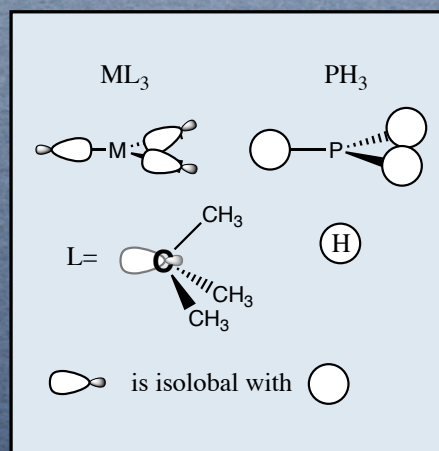
● apply to any set of three sigma-type FOs

● **Isolobal orbitals**

◆ orbitals with similar symmetry characteristics

● **Examples**

- ◆ 3 gold atoms and their 6sAOs!
- ◆ 3 substituent sp^x orbitals
- ◆ 3 ligand sp^x orbitals



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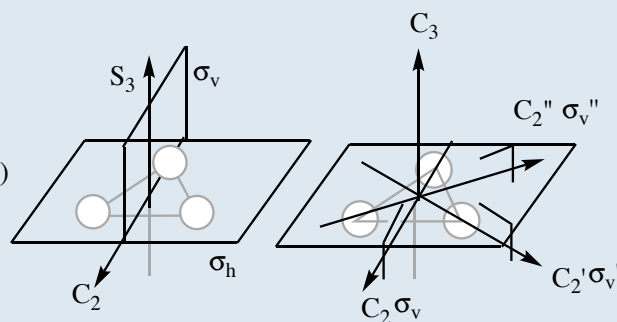
Revision: D_{3h} Point Group

Find the D_{3h} Character table

symmetry operations

D_{3h} E 2C₃ 3C₂ σ_h 2S₃ 3σ_v

D _{3h}	E	2C ₃	3C ₂	σ _h	2S ₃	3σ _v	h=12
A ₁ '	1	1	1	1	1	1	
A ₂ '	1	1	-1	1	1	-1	
E'	2	-1	0	2	-1	0	(T _x , T _y)
A ₁ ''	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	
A ₂ ''	1	1	-1	-1	-1	1	T _z
E''	2	-1	0	-2	1	0	



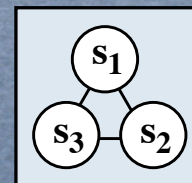
symmetry elements

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Reducible Representation

Identify your "basis set" of orbitals

- ◆ symmetry related, and all in-phase
- ◆ this is NOT a MO, but three separate AOs



Form a representation table

- ◆ under each operation of the point group
- ◆ for EACH BASIS ORBITAL that DOES NOT MOVE
- ◆ add +1 if the phase is unchanged and -1 if the phase changes

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
$\Gamma(H_3)$	3	0	1	3	0	1

Reducible Representation
 Γ_R

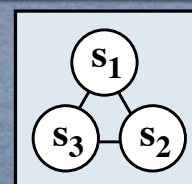
Representation Table

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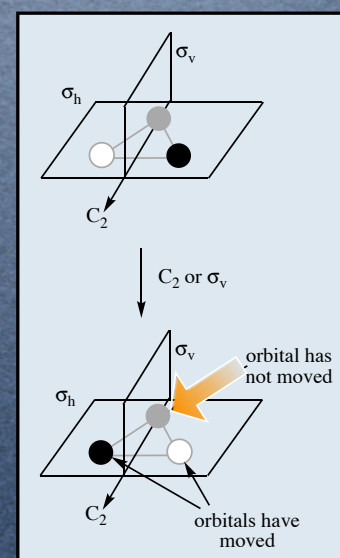
Reducible Representation

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- ◆ for EACH BASIS ORBITAL that DOES NOT MOVE
- ◆ add +1 if the phase is unchanged and -1 if the phase changes
- ◆ E → no orbitals move
- ◆ C_3 → all orbitals move
- ◆ C_2 → one orbital does not move
- ◆ σ_h → no orbitals move
- ◆ σ_v → one orbital does not move



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Reduce!

- Every reducible representation can be written as a sum of irreducible representations

$$\Gamma_R = \sum_R n_{IR} \Gamma_{IR}$$

Γ_R =reducible representation
 Γ_{IR} =irreducible representation
 n_{IR} =number
sum over all the irreducible representations

think of Γ_R as a vector in the space of the D_{3h} point group with "axes" defined by the IR

- to determine n_{IR} we use the Reduction Formula

$$n_{IR} = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q k \cdot \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot \chi^R(Q)$$

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Reduction Formula

$$n_{IR} = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q k \cdot \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot \chi^R(Q)$$

what do all these terms refer to?

use simpler C_{3v}
character table to
explain each term

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Reduction Formula

$$n_{IR} = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q k \cdot \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot \chi^R(Q)$$

number of symmetry operations in a group

		k	Q	h	
		E	$2C_3$	$3\sigma_v$	6
Γ^{IR}	A_1	1	1	1	T_z
	A_2	1	1	-1	
	E	2	-1	0	(T_x, T_y)

$\chi^{IR}(Q)$

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Reduction Formula

character of an irreducible representation

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$\chi^R(Q)$

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How to Use it!

Form a representation table:

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$$n_{A_1'} = \frac{1}{12} \left[\underbrace{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3}_E + \underbrace{2 \cdot 1 \cdot 0}_{C_3} + \underbrace{3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1}_{C_2} + \underbrace{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3}_{\sigma_h} + \underbrace{2 \cdot 1 \cdot 0}_{S_3} + \underbrace{3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1}_{\sigma_3} \right]$$

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number of elements
 $= 1E + 2C_3 + 3C_2 + 1\sigma_h$
 $+ 2S_3 + 3\sigma_v$
 $= 12$

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this is what I expect to see
"Show your working"

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In-Class Activity P1

determine the number of times the A_1'' and E' and contribute to the reducible representation

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
A_1''						
$\Gamma(H_3)$						

$$n_{A_1''} = \frac{1}{12} \left[() + () + () + () + () + () \right]$$

$$n_{A_1''} = \frac{1}{12} [] =$$

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
E'						
$\Gamma(H_3)$						

$$n_{E'} = \frac{1}{12} \left[() + () + () + () + () + () \right]$$

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In-Class Activity P1

- determine the number of times the A_1'' and E' and contribute to the reducible representation

Homework is to practice finding the other IR

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
A_1''	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1
$\Gamma(H_3)$	3	0	1	3	0	1

$$n_{A_1''} = \frac{1}{12} [(1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3) + (2 \cdot 1 \cdot 0) + (3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1) + (1 \cdot -1 \cdot 3) + (2 \cdot -1 \cdot 0) + (3 \cdot -1 \cdot 1)]$$

$$n_{A_1''} = \frac{1}{12} [3 + 0 + 3 - 3 + 0 - 3] = 0$$

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
E'	2	-1	0	2	-1	0
$\Gamma(H_3)$	3	0	1	3	0	1

$$n_{E'} = \frac{1}{12} [(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3) + (2 \cdot -1 \cdot 0) + (3 \cdot 0 \cdot 1) + (1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3) + (2 \cdot -1 \cdot 0) + (3 \cdot 0 \cdot 1)]$$

$$n_{E'} = \frac{1}{12} [6 + 0 + 0 + 6 + 0 + 0] = 1$$

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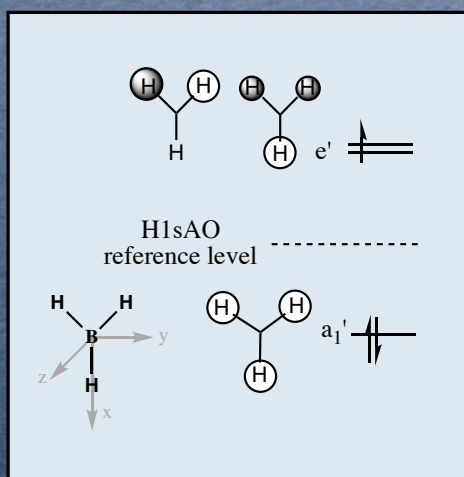
Reduced

- work through for each IR
- only a_1' and e' contribute
- consistent with what we know:

easy to make mistakes!

- the values are always integers
- not an integer = a mistake!
- ALSO check your answer

$$\Gamma(H_3) = a_1' + e'$$



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Always Check Your Answer

- Do the irreducible representations add to give the reducible representation?

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
A_1'	1	1	1	1	1	1
+						
E'	2	-1	0	2	-1	0

$\Gamma(H_3)$	3	0	1	3	0	1

Yes!

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Always use Short-Cuts!

- in the test you will not have time to go through ALL of the possible irreducible representations

so be SMART!

Always do totally symmetric first

Then find out what is left

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
$\Gamma(H_3)$	3	0	1	3	0	1
A_1'	1	1	1	1	1	1

$\Gamma(H_3) - A_1' = E'$	2	-1	0	2	-1	0

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Projection Operator

- now we know the symmetry of the fragment orbitals

$$\Gamma(\text{H}_3) = a_1' + e'$$

- we need to determine their shape

◆ this is the same as determining the orbital coefficients

coefficients are the C's

degenerate orbitals have two components called e'(1) and e'(2) here

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{a_1'} &= C_1^{a_1'} \phi_{s_1} + C_2^{a_1'} \phi_{s_2} + C_3^{a_1'} \phi_{s_3} \\ \psi_{e'(1)} &= C_1^{e'(1)} \phi_{s_1} + C_2^{e'(1)} \phi_{s_2} + C_3^{e'(1)} \phi_{s_3} \\ \psi_{e'(2)} &= C_1^{e'(2)} \phi_{s_1} + C_2^{e'(2)} \phi_{s_2} + C_3^{e'(2)} \phi_{s_3} \end{aligned}$$

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Projection Operator

character of an irreducible representation

symmetry operation

$$P_{\Gamma}[\psi] = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q \chi^{\Gamma}(Q) \cdot Q[\psi]$$

number of symmetry operations in a group

		k			Q	h
		E	2C ₃	3σ _v	6	
Γ ^{IR}	A ₁	1	1	1	T _z	χ ^{IR} (Q)
	A ₂	1	1	-1		
	E	2	-1	0	(T _x , T _y)	

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Projection Operator

IMPORTANT: no k (come back to this in a minute)

$$P_{\Gamma}[\psi] = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q \chi^{\Gamma}(Q) \cdot Q[\psi]$$

- reduction formula produced a number (n_{Γ})
- projection operator produces a function (the equation for a MO)

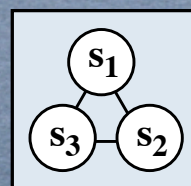
		k	Q	h	
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	E	2	-1	0	(T_x, T_y)

$\chi^{\text{IR}}(Q)$

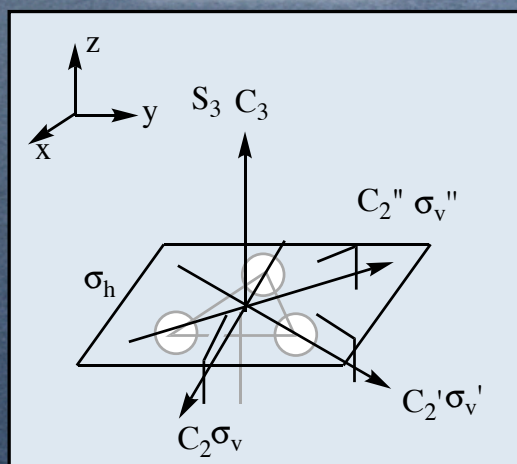
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"Setting Up"

- Label orbitals
- Draw ALL of the symmetry elements



Important!



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"Setting Up"

Set up the projection table

- ◆ No k in the projection operator
- ◆ must include EVERY symmetry operation

Important!

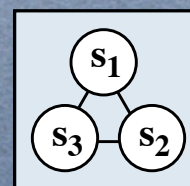
		D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$				
D_{3h}	E	C_3^1	C_3^2	C_2	C_2'	C_2''	σ_h	S_3^1	S_3^{-1}	σ_v	σ_v'	σ_v''
empty projection table												

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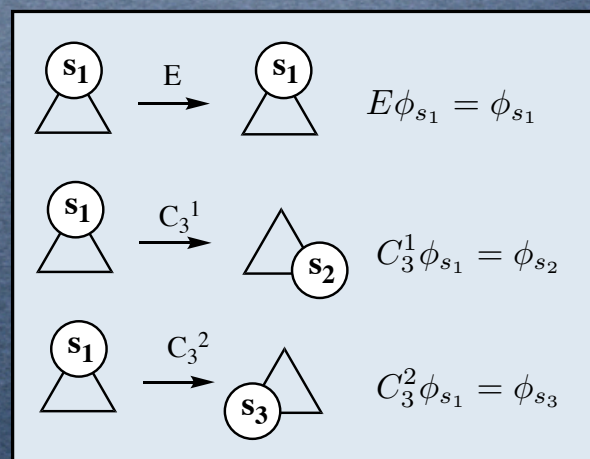
Using the Projection Operator

Work out how ONE orbital (s_1) transforms under EACH of the symmetry operations

- ◆ for example: under E s_1 does not move and $Es_1=s_1$



- ◆ for example: under the $2C_3$ operations
- ◆ after the first rotation s_1 maps onto s_2
- ◆ after the second rotation s_1 maps onto s_3



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Projection Table

- work out how the orbital transforms under EVERY symmetry operation
- Put the information in a projection table:

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$		$3C_2$			σ_h	$2S_3$			3σ		
		C_3^1	C_3^2	C_2	C_2'	C_2''		S_3^1	S_3^{-1}	σ_v	σ_v'	σ_v''	
$Q[s_1]$	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	

$$P_{\Gamma}[\psi] = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot Q[\psi]$$

formed this part of the operator

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Projection Table

- now add the irreducible representation

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$		$3C_2$			σ_h	$2S_3$			3σ		
		C_3^1	C_3^2	C_2	C_2'	C_2''		S_3^1	S_3^{-1}	σ_v	σ_v'	σ_v''	
$Q[s_1]$	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	
A_1'	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	

$$P_{\Gamma}[\psi] = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot Q[\psi]$$

add this part of the equation

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Projection Table

then multiply terms in the columns

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$		$3C_2$			σ_h	$2S_3$		3σ		
		C_3^1	C_3^2	C_2	C_2'	C_2''		S_3^1	S_3^{-1}	σ_v	σ_v'	σ_v''
$Q[s_1]$	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2
A_1'	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\chi^{A_1'}(Q) \cdot Q \cdot [s_1]$	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2

$$P_{\Gamma}[\psi] = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot Q[\psi]$$

carry out the multiplication

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Projection Table

this is a sum so now add all the terms on the bottom line

$$P_{\Gamma}[\psi] = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot Q[\psi]$$

show your working!

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$		$3C_2$			σ_h	$2S_3$		3σ		
		C_3^1	C_3^2	C_2	C_2'	C_2''		S_3^1	S_3^{-1}	σ_v	σ_v'	σ_v''
$Q[s_1]$	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2
A_1'	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\chi^{A_1'}(Q) \cdot Q \cdot [s_1]$	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_1	s_3	s_2

$$P_{A_1'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_1 + s_3 + s_2 + s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_1 + s_2 + s_3]$$

$$P_{A_1'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [4s_1 + 4s_2 + 4s_3] = \frac{1}{3} [s_1 + s_2 + s_3]$$

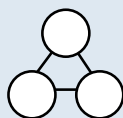
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The wave-function!

- the projection operator gives us the wave-function
- this one is $1/3 s_1$ plus $1/3 s_2$ plus $1/3 s_3$
- which is the totally bonding fragment orbital

$$P_{A_1'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_1 + s_3 + s_2 + s_1 + s_2 + s_3 + s_1 + s_2 + s_3]$$

$$P_{A_1'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [4s_1 + 4s_2 + 4s_3] = \frac{1}{3} [s_1 + s_2 + s_3]$$



$$\psi_{a_1'} = \frac{1}{3} [\phi_{s_1} + \phi_{s_2} + \phi_{s_3}]$$

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In-Class Activity P2

- the first line is exactly the same
- second line contains the new irreducible representation

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$			$3C_2$			$2S_3$			3σ		
		C_3^1	C_3^2		C_2	C_2'	C_2''	σ_h	S_3^1	S_3^{-1}		σ_v	σ_v'
Q[s ₁]	s ₁	s ₂	s ₃	s ₁	s ₃	s ₂	s ₁	s ₂	s ₃	s ₁	s ₃	s ₂	
E'													
$\chi^{E'}(Q) \cdot Q \cdot [s_1]$													

$$P_{E'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [\quad]$$

$$P_{E'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [\quad]$$

what is the wave-function?

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In-Class Activity P2

- the first line is exactly the same
- second line contains the new irreducible representation

D_{3h}	$2C_3$			$3C_2$			$2S_3$			3σ		
	E	C_3^1	C_3^2	C_2	C_2'	C_2''	σ_h	S_3^1	S_3^{-1}	σ_v	σ_v'	σ_v''
Q[s ₁]	s ₁	s ₂	s ₃	s ₁	s ₃	s ₂	s ₁	s ₂	s ₃	s ₁	s ₃	s ₂
E'	2	-1	-1	0	0	0	2	-1	-1	0	0	0
$\chi^{E'}(Q) \cdot Q \cdot [s_1]$	2s ₁ -s ₂ -s ₃ - - - 2s ₁ -s ₂ -s ₃ - - -											

$$P_{E'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [2s_1 - s_2 - s_3 + 2s_1 - s_2 - s_3]$$

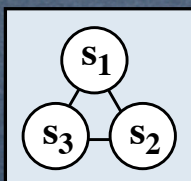
$$P_{E'}[s_1] = \frac{1}{12} [4s_1 - 2s_2 - 2s_3] = \frac{1}{6} [2s_1 - s_2 - s_3]$$

what is the wave-function?

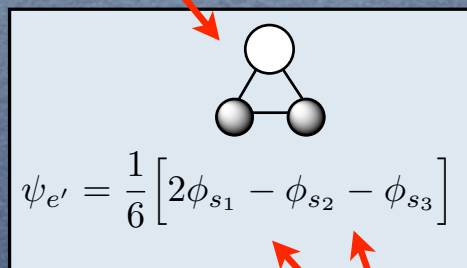
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The First e' Orbital

- draw the orbital
- be careful to represent the correct size and phase of the orbitals
- be consistent with your original labeling!



contribution by s₁ is twice as large as s₂ or s₃



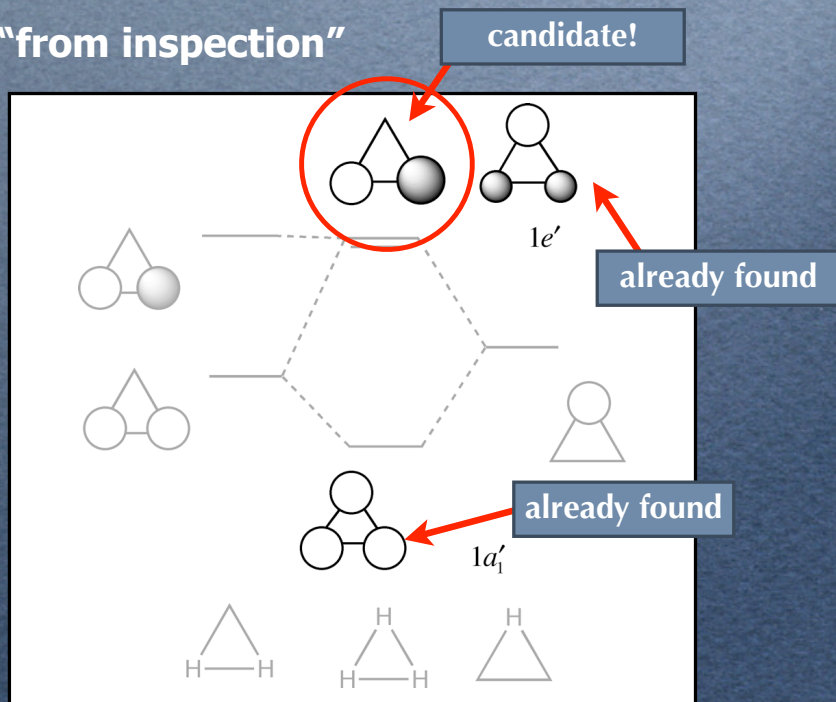
s₂ and s₃ have negative phase

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The Second e' Orbital

- use orthogonalisation procedure
- OR make a guess "from inspection"

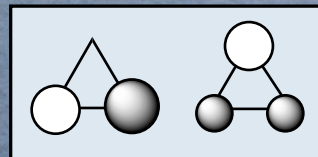
guess from the molecular fragments!



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The Second e' Orbital

- the two e' orbitals **MUST** be orthogonal to each other



what is orthogonality?

- two functions are orthogonal when their integral over all space is zero

f_1 and f_2 are functions

$$\int f_1 \cdot f_2 d\tau = 0$$

$$\int \psi_{1e'}^1 \cdot \psi_{1e'}^2 d\tau = 0$$

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The Second e' Orbital

the two e' orbitals MUST be orthogonal to each other

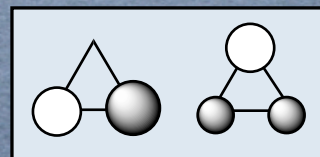
evaluate:

A
$$\int \psi_{1e'}^1 \cdot \psi_{1e'}^2 d\tau = 0$$

B
$$\psi_{1e'}^1 = 2\phi_{s1} - \phi_{s2} - \phi_{s3}$$

$$\psi_{1e'}^2 = \phi_{s2} - \phi_{s3}$$

C
$$\int \psi_{1e'}^1 \cdot \psi_{1e'}^2 d\tau = \int (2\phi_{s1} - \phi_{s2} - \phi_{s3}) \cdot (\phi_{s2} - \phi_{s3}) d\tau$$



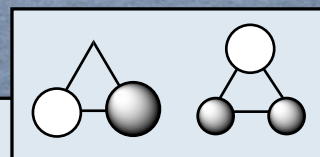
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The Second e' Orbital

the two e' orbitals MUST be orthogonal to each other

$$\int \psi_{1e'}^1 \cdot \psi_{1e'}^2 d\tau = \int (2\phi_{s1} - \phi_{s2} - \phi_{s3}) \cdot (\phi_{s2} - \phi_{s3}) d\tau$$

$$= \underbrace{\int 2\phi_{s1}\phi_{s2} d\tau}_{=2s} - \underbrace{\int 2\phi_{s1}\phi_{s3} d\tau}_{=2s} - \underbrace{\int \phi_{s2}\phi_{s2} d\tau}_{=1} + \underbrace{\int \phi_{s2}\phi_{s3} d\tau}_{=s} - \underbrace{\int \phi_{s3}\phi_{s2} d\tau}_{=s} + \underbrace{\int \phi_{s3}\phi_{s3} d\tau}_{=1}$$



need to know:

- ♦ atomic orbitals are normalized
- ♦ atomic orbitals can overlap

$$\int \phi_a \cdot \phi_a d\tau = 1$$

$$\int \phi_a \cdot \phi_b d\tau = S_{ab} = s$$

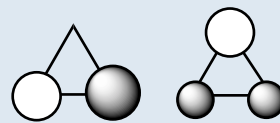
overlap is reciprocal
 $S_{ab} = S_{ba}$
 SAOs are equidistant
 $S_{12} = S_{13} = S_{23}$

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The Second e' Orbital

- the two e' orbitals ARE orthogonal to each other

$$\int \psi_{1e'}^1 \cdot \psi_{1e'}^2 d\tau = 2s - 2s - 1 + s - s + 1 = 0$$



- our guess was a good one

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The Symmetry Adapted Orbitals of H₃

check

- right energy ordering?
- orbital pictures?
- correct equation associated with each orbital?

- these are the orbitals that come out of the Schrödinger equation!

$$\psi_{e'} = \frac{1}{2} [\phi_{s_2} - \phi_{s_3}]$$



e' \neq

$$\psi_{e'} = \frac{1}{6} [2\phi_{s_1} - \phi_{s_2} - \phi_{s_3}]$$

a₁' \neq

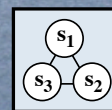


$$\psi_{a_1'} = \frac{1}{3} [\phi_{s_1} + \phi_{s_2} + \phi_{s_3}]$$

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Summary of the Steps:

- determine the basis orbitals of the fragment
- identify point group and locate all symmetry operations
- take all in-phase combination and determine the reducible representation
- find the contributing irreducible representations using a reduction table and the reduction formula
- determine orbital coefficients using the projection operator and table
- if there are degenerate orbitals make a guess and check for orthogonality
- produce your fragment orbital diagram!



D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$
$\Gamma(H_3)$	3	0	1	3	0	1

$$n_{IR} = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q k \cdot \chi^{IR}(Q) \cdot \chi^R(Q)$$

$$P_{\Gamma}[\psi] = \frac{1}{h} \sum_Q \chi^{\Gamma}(Q) \cdot Q[\psi]$$

$$\int f_1 \cdot f_2 d\tau = 0$$

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Key Points

- be able to define and illustrate the splitting energy
- be able to discuss, employing equations, diagrams and examples $\Delta\epsilon$, S_{ab} and H_{ab} , be able to employ this knowledge in forming MO diagrams
- be able to find the reducible representation for a set of basis orbitals
- be able to write down the reduction formula and the projection operator and define all the terms and relate them to items in a character table
- be able to set up and use a representation table, and a projection table
- be able to find the wave-functions and draw the orbitals for a set of symmetry related orbitals
- be able to produce a clear well-annotated fragment orbital diagram

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