

CH 107 End-Semester Examination

November 13, 2018

Time: 2.5 hours

Full Marks: 24

Answer all the parts of the same question together. Answer should be to the point, however, arguments have to be provided for full credit. Use **only Pen** to write your answers (**including sketches**).

An equation sheet is provided along with the question paper

Question 1

- (a) Write the complete Hamiltonian for an *anti*-He atom, with a negatively charged nucleus ($Z=-2$) and two positrons (electron with a positive charge) around it. *The mass of anti-particles to be same as that of the particles.* 1 mark
- (b) What are all the possible spinorbitals for H-atom in the ground (lowest energy) state? 1 mark
- (c) For what values of $[\theta, \phi]$ are there angular nodes for the $3d_{z^2}$ orbital of H-atom? Show your work. 1 mark
- (d) What is the value of θ for which the probability of finding an electron is greatest for the $3d_{z^2}$ orbital? Evaluate. 2 marks
- (e) Qualitatively sketch, in the same plot, the radial distribution functions of $3d_{x^2-y^2}$ orbital for H and He^+ atoms. Label each curve appropriately. 1 mark

Question 2

- (a) Consider the *triangular* H_3^+ with equal H-H bond-lengths. The *spatial part* of the ground state (lowest energy) 1-electron MO is σ_b . (No marks for considering a linear H_3^+ molecule)
- (i) Write the expression of σ_b in terms of 1s Atomic Orbitals (AOs). *No need for normalization constant.* 1 mark
- (ii) Sketch the contour plot of σ_b . Show at least three contour lines, signs, nuclei and nodes if any. 1 mark
- (iii) Write the expression for the spin wavefunction of this molecule in the ground state. 1 mark
- (iv) Express the ground state wavefunction of this molecule as a single Slater determinant. 1 mark
- (b) Find the normalization constant N in terms of the 1-electron overlap integral (S_{AB}) for the following 2-electron molecular wavefunction: $\psi(1,2) = N[\psi_A(1)\psi_B(2) + \psi_A(2)\psi_B(1)]$, where ψ_A and ψ_B are normalized and are real 1-electron wavefunctions. 2 marks

Question 3

- (a) Qualitatively sketch, in the same plot, the potential energy curves for H_2 , H_2^- and H_2^{2-} as a function of internuclear distance, R_{ab} . Label curves/axes appropriately. *No reasoning is necessary.* 2 marks
- (b) The ground state MO of H_2^+ is $\psi = 0.6(1s_A + 1s_B)$. Evaluate the probability of finding the electron in a sphere of radius $0.1a_0$ around one of the nuclei when the internuclear separation, R_{ab} , is $2a_0$. Assume that the value of $1s_A$ and $1s_B$ orbitals remain constant over the sphere of radius $0.1a_0$. 2 marks
- (c) In the planar molecule formaldehyde ($\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{O}$), the H-C-O bond angles are 121° . Evaluate the expressions for the hybrid AOs (in terms of the valence shell AOs of Carbon) which are used for σ -bonding. Consider the geometry where $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{O}$ is in xz plane with the C-O bond along positive z -axis (hybrid orbital h_1 is defined along $+z$). 2 marks

Question 4

- (a) What is Born-Oppenheimer approximation? *Answer in ONE sentence/equation* (no more than two lines!) 1 mark
- (b) If one considers the bond in H_2 as an anharmonic oscillator and a non-rigid rotor, will the vibrational (infrared) and rotational (microwave) transitions be allowed for the H_2 molecule? *Justify in one sentence/equation.* 1 mark
- (c) For HCl^{35} , the transition $(v=0, J=1) \rightarrow (v=1, J=2)$ occurs at 2926 cm^{-1} , while the oscillation (vibrational) frequency (ω_{osc}) is 2886 cm^{-1} . Evaluate the transition energy (in cm^{-1}) of $(v=0, J=1) \rightarrow (v=1, J=2)$ for HCl^{37} . Assume (i) rigid rotor and harmonic oscillator models, and (ii) bond lengths are unchanged for HCl^{35} and HCl^{37} . 2 marks
- (d) Predict whether an electronic transition from an occupied $1s-1s \sigma^*$ (*anti-bonding*) MO to an unoccupied $2s-2s \sigma^*$ (*anti-bonding*) MO in a homonuclear diatomic molecule is allowed or not? Show your work. 2 marks

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Useful constants

$$h=6.64 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}; c=3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}; m_e=9.1 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}; e=6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}; k_B=1.31 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$$

Useful equations

1. $\psi_{1s} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0} \right)^{3/2} e^{-Zr/a_0}$
2. $\psi_{2s} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0} \right)^{3/2} \left(2 - \frac{Zr}{a_0} \right) e^{-Zr/2a_0}$
3. $\psi_{3d_{z^2}} = \frac{1}{81\sqrt{6\pi}} \left(\frac{Z}{a_0} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{Zr}{a_0} \right)^2 e^{-Zr/3a_0} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$
4. $\hat{H}_e \psi_e(r, \theta, \phi) = E_n \psi_e(r, \theta, \phi)$, with $E_n = -\frac{Z^2 \mu e^4}{8\epsilon_0^2 h^2 n^2} = -\frac{13.6 Z^2}{n^2} \text{ eV}$, with $n = 1, 2, \dots$
5. $\hat{L}^2 \psi_e(r, \theta, \phi) = \hbar^2 l(l+1) \psi_e(r, \theta, \phi)$, with $l = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$
6. $L_Z \psi_e(r, \theta, \phi) = \hbar m \psi_e(r, \theta, \phi)$, with $m = -l, \dots, 0, \dots, l$
7. $E_\sigma = E_{1s} + \frac{Qe^2}{R_{AB}} - Qe^2 \frac{J+K}{1+S}$
8. $E_{\sigma^*} = E_{1s} + \frac{Qe^2}{R_{AB}} - Qe^2 \frac{J-K}{1-S}$
9. $J = \int d\tau_e \frac{|1s_A|^2}{r_{1B}}$
10. $K = \int d\tau_e \frac{1s_A 1s_B}{r_{1B}}$
11. Rotational constant (in cm^{-1}): $B = \frac{h}{8\pi^2 c \mu r_0^2}$
12. Rotational energy: $E_J = BJ(J+1)$
13. Vibrational frequency (in cm^{-1}): $\omega_{osc} = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \sqrt{\frac{k}{\mu}}$
14. Vibrational energy (harmonic oscillator): $E_v = \omega_{osc}(v + 1/2)$
15. Vibrational energy (anharmonic oscillator): $E_v = \omega_{osc}(v + 1/2) - \omega_{osc} x_e (v + 1/2)^2$, $x_e = \omega_{osc}/(4D_e)$
16. Electronic dipole moment operator: $\vec{\mu} = q\vec{r}$