

Quiz 7

Chemistry 3BB3; Winter 2006

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- orbitals that are similar in size.
- orbitals that are similar in energy.
- good overlap between orbitals. (Orbitals in similar regions of space.)
- “directionality” in orbitals (so that they “point at” each other).
- smaller orbitals are (usually) better than bigger orbitals.

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δ_u^-	$\psi_{3d_{xy}}^l \mathbf{r} - \psi_{3d_{xy}}^r \mathbf{r}$
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