

# Quiz 10,11

## Chemistry 3BB3; Winter 2006

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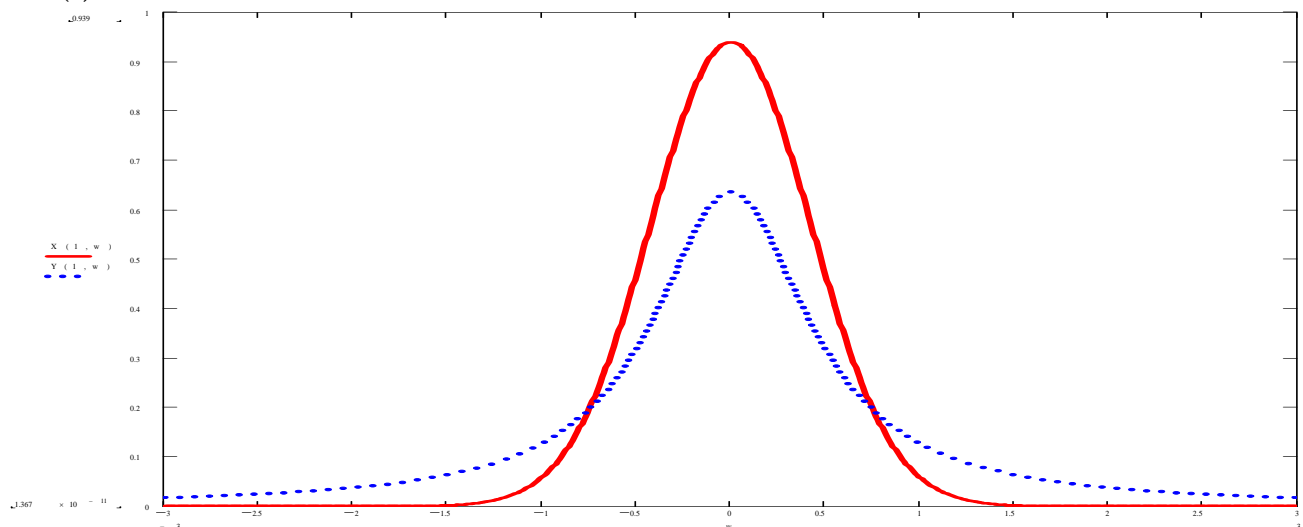
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18. A Gaussian lineshape is associated with \_\_\_\_\_ broadening.

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$$\lambda = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{2\pi c}{\omega_{fi}} = \frac{2\pi c}{\left( \frac{E_f - E_i}{\hbar} \right)} = \frac{2\pi\hbar c}{E_f - E_i} = \frac{hc}{E_f - E_i}$$

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**Forbidden; this is a double excitation, so it will be a weak transition.**

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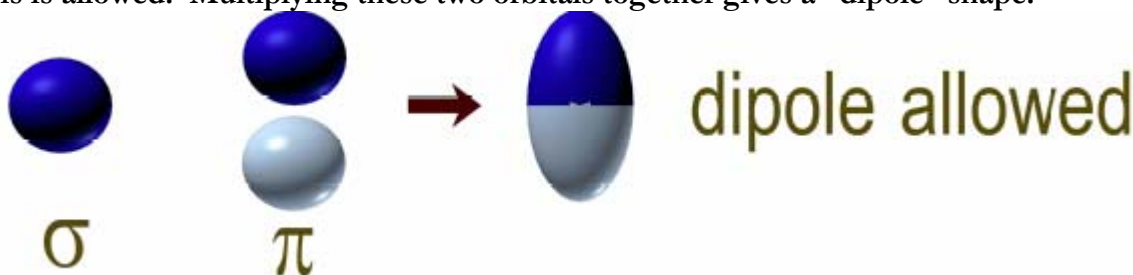
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**This is allowed. Multiplying these two orbitals together gives a “dipole” shape:**



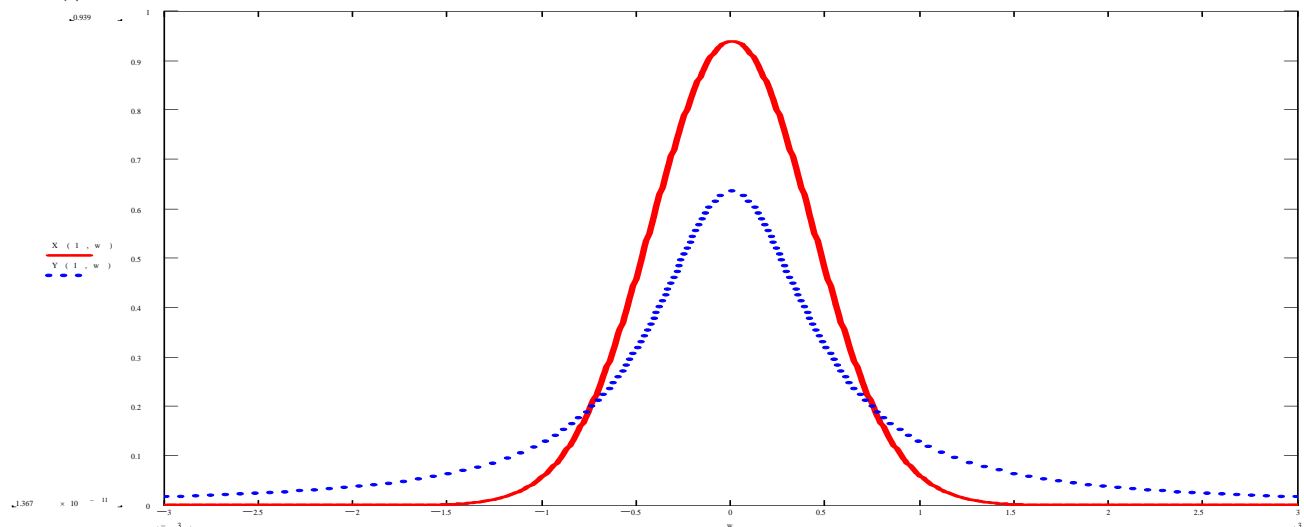
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