

11. The following are the MO's for fulvene. Using the same MO's calculate the C1-C2 bond order for the first *electronically excited state* of fulvene.

(8 marks)

energy	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6
1.861	-0.439	0.153	0.153	-0.439	0.664	-0.356
-0.618	0.601	0.372	-0.372	-0.601	0	0
-2.115	0.429	0.385	0.385	0.429	0.523	0.247
0.254	-0.350	0.279	0.279	-0.350	-0.190	0.749
-1.000	0	0.5	0.5	0	-0.5	-0.5
1.618	-0.372	0.601	-0.601	0.372	0	0

12. Has the electronic excitation in the previous question strengthened or weakened the C1-C2 bond in fulvene? Explain your reasoning briefly.

(5 marks)

13. Set up the Hückel determinant for the 2-allylmethyl radical.

(5 marks)



14. In an atomic (or molecular system) there are two electrons, 1 and 2, in two orbitals,  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$ . Write out expressions for the Coulomb and Exchange integrals, and give a physical explanation for each of them.

(5 marks)

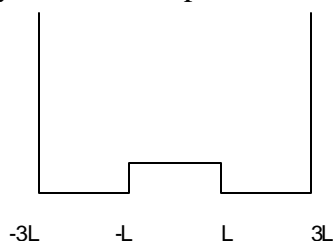
15. Explain clearly what the terms *conrotatory* and *disrotatory* mean in the context of the Woodward-Hoffman rules of electrocyclic reactions.

(5 marks)

16. State the quantum-mechanical virial theorem, which relates the kinetic and potential energies in an atomic or molecular system.

(3 marks)

17. A box has a small symmetric “bump” in the middle (height  $V_0$ ), as shown.



Calculate the first-order perturbed energy of the ground state. Also calculate the mixing coefficient (i.e., the contribution) of the first excited unperturbed state to the first-order perturbed wavefunction.

(12 marks)

18. Sketch a Walsh diagram for the bending of the water molecule. If an electron is promoted from the  $1b_1$  orbital (the out-of-plane lone pair) to the next highest orbital,  $4a_1$  (note the numbering starts with O 1s being  $1a_1$ ), will the molecule be more or less bent? Justify your answer using the Walsh diagram.

(14 marks) (100 MARKS TOTAL)

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Any electronic calculator may be used, but no other aids are permitted.  
USEFUL NUMBERS:

Planck constant ( $h$ ) =  $6.626 \times 10^{-34}$  J sec      Bohr radius ( $a_0$ ) =  $5.292 \times 10^{-11}$  m  
 $1 \text{ eV} = 8065.5 \text{ cm}^{-1} = 96.48 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J molecule}^{-1}$

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1. State Schrödinger's *time-dependent* equation.  
(3 marks)
2. Give the commutation relation among the three angular momentum operators,  $L_x$ ,  $L_y$  and  $L_z$ .  
(4 marks)
3. To what point group does *cis*-butadiene belong?  
(3 marks)
4. Sketch the LUMO of *cis*-butadiene.  
(4 marks)
5. State the most general formulation of the Pauli exclusion principle.  
(3 marks)
6. How many radial nodes does the 3p orbital of the hydrogen atom have?  
(3 marks)
7. For a particle-in-a-box, length  $L$ , the (unnormalized) wavefunction with the lowest energy is  $\sin(\pi x/L)$ . However, the function  $\sin(\pi x/2L)$  has an expectation value of the Hamiltonian which is lower than the eigenvalue of  $\sin(\pi x/L)$ . Is this a violation of the Variation Principle? Justify your answer.  
(5 marks)
8. Do the operators  $x^2 d^2/dx^2$  and  $x d/dx$  commute? Show your calculations.  
(6 marks)
9. For the lithium atom, the separation of the  $^2S_{1/2}$  state and the  $^2P_{1/2}$  state is  $14,904 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , whereas the same two states are separated by only  $2.4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the  $\text{Li}^{2+}$  ion. Explain.  
(6 marks)
10. For the  $^2S_{1/2}$  state of the Li atom, give all the spin and orbital angular momentum quantum numbers of all three electrons.  
(6 marks)

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