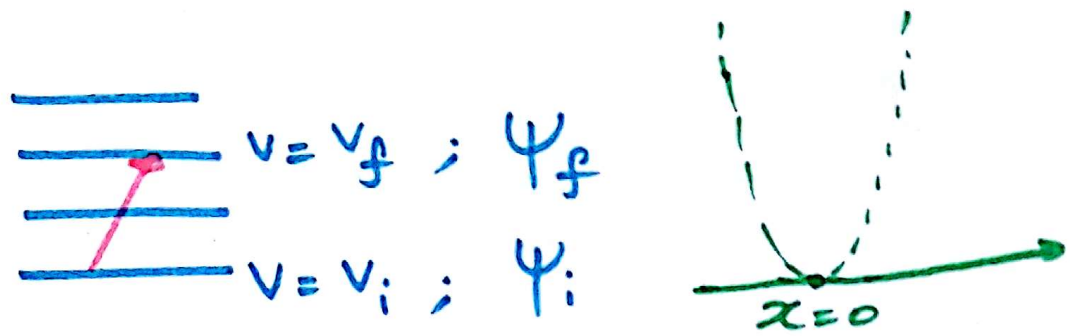


# SELECTION RULES FOR VIBRATIONAL TRANSITIONS



## TRANSITION DIPOLE MOMENT INTEGRAL

$$I_{i \rightarrow f} = \int \psi_f^*(\vec{r}) \hat{\mu} \psi_i(\vec{r}) d\vec{r}$$

DIPOLE MOMENT OF AN N-PARTICLE SYSTEM

$$\mu = \sum_{i=1}^N Q_i \vec{r}_i$$

↓ CHARGE
 ↓ POSITION

$$\mu(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_N) \approx \mu(\vec{r}_{1,0}, \vec{r}_{2,0}, \dots, \vec{r}_{N,0}) + \left( \vec{\nabla}_{3N} \mu \right) \cdot \Delta \vec{r}_{3N} + \dots$$

(IGNORE HIGHER-ORDER TERMS)

HERE

$(\vec{r}_{1,0}, \vec{r}_{2,0}, \dots, \vec{r}_{N,0}) \Rightarrow$  EQUILIBRIUM CONFIGURATION (ENERGY-MINIMUM CONFIGURATION)

$\mu(\vec{r}_{1,0}, \vec{r}_{2,0}, \dots, \vec{r}_{N,0}) \Rightarrow$  PERMANENT DIPOLE MOMENT (MAY OR MAY NOT BE EQUAL TO ZERO)

$$\vec{\nabla}_{3N} \equiv \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{r}_N} \right)$$

$$\Delta \vec{r}_{3N} = (\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_{1,0}, \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_{2,0}, \dots, \vec{r}_N - \vec{r}_{N,0})$$

FOR A DIATOMIC MOLECULE

$$x = R_{AB} - R_0$$

$$\mu(x) = \mu(x=0) + \left. \frac{d\mu}{dx} \right|_{x=0} x + \dots$$

$$I_{i \rightarrow f} = \int_x \psi_f^*(x) \left[ \mu(x=0) + \left. \frac{d\mu}{dx} \right|_{x=0} x \right] \psi_i(x) dx$$

$$= \mu(x=0) \int_x \psi_f^*(x) \psi_i(x) dx + \left. \frac{d\mu}{dx} \right|_{x=0} \int_x \psi_f^*(x) x \psi_i(x) dx$$

0 ( $\psi_f$  AND  $\psi_i$  ARE ORTHOGONAL)

$$I_{i \rightarrow f} \approx \left. \frac{d\mu}{dx} \right|_{x=0} \int_x \psi_f^*(x) x \psi_i(x) dx$$

FOR  $I_{i \rightarrow f} \neq 0$ ;

$$\left. \frac{d\mu}{dx} \right|_{x=0} \neq 0$$

SELECTION RULE 1

$$\int_x \psi_f^*(x) x \psi_i(x) dx \neq 0$$

SELECTION RULE 2



CONSIDER

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_f^*(x) x \psi_i(x) dx$$

RECALL:

FOR AN ONE-DIMENSIONAL QUANTUM HARMONIC OSCILLATOR

$$\psi_v(x) = N_v H_v(z) e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}$$

HERE  $N_v = \left( \frac{1}{\alpha \pi^{1/2} 2^v v!} \right)^{1/2}$

$$\alpha = \left( \frac{\hbar}{m\omega} \right)^{1/2} \quad z = \frac{x}{\alpha} \quad ; \quad \alpha = \left( \frac{\hbar^2}{mk} \right)^{1/4}$$

$H_v(z) \rightarrow$  HERMITE POLYNOMIAL

RECURRENCE OR RECURSION RELATION:

$$H_{v+1}(z) = 2z H_v(z) - 2v H_{v-1}(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow z H_v(z) = \frac{H_{v+1}(z) + 2v H_{v-1}(z)}{2}$$

$\times N_v e^{-z^2/2}$  ON BOTH SIDES

$$z \psi_v(x) = \frac{\left( \frac{N_v}{N_{v+1}} \right) \psi_{v+1}(x) + 2v \left( \frac{N_v}{N_{v-1}} \right) \psi_{v-1}(x)}{2}$$

$$x \psi_v(x) = \left( \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \left[ \frac{N_v}{N_{v+1}} \psi_{v+1}(x) + 2v \left( \frac{N_v}{N_{v-1}} \right) \psi_{v-1}(x) \right]$$

$$\int_x \psi_{v_f}^*(x) x \psi_{v_i}(x) dx$$

$$= \int_x \psi_{v_f}^*(x) \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \left[ \frac{N_{v_i}}{N_{v_i+1}} \psi_{v_i+1}(x) + 2v_i \left(\frac{N_{v_i}}{N_{v_i-1}}\right) \psi_{v_i-1}(x) \right] dx$$

$$= \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \frac{N_{v_i}}{N_{v_i+1}} \int_x \psi_{v_f}^*(x) \psi_{v_i+1}(x) dx$$

$$+ \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2v_i N_{v_i}}{N_{v_i-1}}\right) \int_x \psi_{v_f}^*(x) \psi_{v_i-1}(x) dx$$

FIRST INTEGRAL

~~$\int_x \psi_{v_f}^*(x) \psi_{v_i+1}(x) dx \neq 0$~~

ONLY WHEN  $v_f = v_i + 1$

SECOND INTEGRAL

$\Rightarrow \Delta v = v_f - v_i = +1$

$$\int_x \psi_{v_f}^*(x) \psi_{v_i-1}(x) dx \neq 0$$

ONLY WHEN  $v_f = v_i - 1$

$\Rightarrow \Delta v = v_f - v_i = -1$

SELECTION RULE 2 :

$\Delta v = \pm 1$

# HERMITE POLYNOMIALS

$$\frac{d^2 H_v(y)}{dy^2} - 2y \frac{dH_v(y)}{dy} + 2v H_v(y) = 0$$

THE SOLUTIONS OF THIS DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION ARE HERMITE POLYNOMIALS

$v$	$H_v(y)$
0	1
1	$2y$
2	$4y^2 - 2$
3	$8y^3 - 12y$
4	$16y^4 - 48y^2 + 12$



USING LADDER OPERATORS:

$$Q = \left( \frac{m\omega}{\hbar} \right)^{1/2} x$$

LADDER UP OPERATOR  $b^+ \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( -\frac{d}{dx} + Q \right)$

$$b^+ \psi_v(x) = c_+ \psi_{v+1}(x)$$

LADDER DOWN OPERATOR  $b^- \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{d}{dx} + Q \right)$

$$b^- \psi_v(x) = c_- \psi_{v-1}(x)$$

$$Q = \frac{b^+ + b^-}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}} \left( \frac{b^+ + b^-}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x \psi_{v_i}(x) &= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}} \left( \frac{b^+ \psi_{v_i}(x) + b^- \psi_{v_i}(x)}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{m\omega}} \left( \frac{c_{+,v_i} \psi_{v_i+1}(x) + c_{-,v_i} \psi_{v_i-1}(x)}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\int \psi_{v_f}^*(x) x \psi_{v_i}(x) dx$$

$$= B \int \psi_{v_f}^*(x) \psi_{v_i+1}(x) dx$$

$$+ D \int \psi_{v_f}^*(x) \psi_{v_i-1}(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta v = v_f - v_i = \pm 1$$