

MWQC - 2022 Tutorial

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1. NO₃ radical (D_{3h} symmetry) has 6 normal modes :

- Totally symmetric (Q₁); Umbrella (Q₂)
- Degenerate asymmetric stretching (Q_{3x} and Q_{3y})
- Degenerate asymmetric bending (Q_{4x} and Q_{4y})

If the electronic states are coupled through nuclear coordinates as, $V_{ij} = \sum_k Q_k \langle \phi_i^{(0)} | \hat{V}_k | \phi_j^{(0)} \rangle$ [$\hat{V}_k \left(= \frac{\partial H}{\partial Q_k} \right)$ is the first order perturbations w.r.t normal modes, $\{Q_k\}$ s], apply the JT condition ($\Gamma(\phi_i^{(0)}) \otimes \Gamma(\hat{V}_k) \otimes \Gamma(\phi_j^{(0)}) \notin \Gamma^0$) to explore the JT activity of Q_{3x}, Q_{3y}, Q_{4x} and Q_{4y} modes. Γ s are irreducible representations.

The character table of D_{3h} point group :

D _{3h}	E	2C ₃ (z)	3C ₂ '	$\sigma_h(xy)$	2S ₃	3 σ_v	linear functions, rotations	quadratic functions	cubic functions	normal modes of NO ₃
A ₁ '	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-	$x^2 + y^2, z^2$	$x(x^2 - 3y^2)$	Q ₁
A ₂ '	+1	+1	-1	+1	+1	-1	R _z	-	$y(3x^2 - y^2)$	
E'	+2	-1	0	+2	-1	0	(x, y)	($x^2 - y^2, xy$)	(xz^2, yz^2), [$x(x^2 + y^2), y(x^2 + y^2)$]	Q _{3x}, Q_{3y}, Q_{4x}, Q_{4y}}}}}
A ₁ ''	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	-	-	-	
A ₂ ''	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	+1	Z	-	$z^3, z(x^2 + y^2)$	Q ₂
E''	+2	-1	0	-2	+1	0	(R _{x}, R_{y})}}	(xz, yz)	[xyz, z(x ² - y ²)]	

[Hint: One needs to know the direct product of irreducible representation and within symmetric interval, totally symmetric irreducible representation of the integrand defines the existence of integral.]

2. A model Hamiltonian describing the molecular system within a degenerate manifold is:

$$\hat{H} = \hat{T}_n + \hat{H}_{el}$$

$$\hat{H} = \hat{T}_n + \left(-\frac{1}{2}E_{el}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\theta^2} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 - q\cos(2\theta - \phi) \right),$$

$$\hat{T}_n = -\frac{1}{2\mu}\nabla^2 = -\frac{1}{2\mu}\left[\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + \frac{1}{q^2}\frac{d^2}{d\phi^2} \right]$$

where \hat{T}_n, \hat{H}_{el} are the nuclear kinetic energy operator and electronic Hamiltonian, respectively. θ is the electronic phase angle and q, ϕ are the nuclear coordinates. On the other hand, electronic eigenfunctions obey the following equation:

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}E_{el}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\theta^2} - q\cos(2\theta - \phi) + \frac{1}{2}q^2 - u(q, \phi) \right) \xi(\theta, q, \phi) = 0 \quad (2.1)$$

- (a) Considering the trial function $\xi = a(q, \phi)\cos\theta + b(q, \phi)\sin\theta$ in terms of basis functions ($\cos\theta$ and $\sin\theta$), find the eigenvalues (u_1 and u_2) and eigenfunctions (ξ_1 and ξ_2) of the above equation.
- (b) Find the non adiabatic coupling terms:

$$\tau_q(q, \phi) = \langle \xi_1(\theta, q, \phi) | \frac{d}{dq} | \xi_2(\theta, q, \phi) \rangle$$

$$\tau_\phi(q, \phi) = \frac{1}{q} \langle \xi_1(\theta, q, \phi) | \frac{d}{d\phi} | \xi_2(\theta, q, \phi) \rangle$$

and show that the integration of τ_ϕ along a closed contour leads to π .

[Hint: The basic idea for the solution of Schrödinger equation (Eq. 2.1) in the matrix representation with the given trial function is enough. Since the trial function ($\xi = a(q, \phi)\cos\theta + b(q, \phi)\sin\theta$) has two basis, the matrix will be 2 X 2 and thereby, two eigenvalues and two eigenfunctions. Those eigenfunctions on substitution in coupling terms will provide the functional forms of those terms.]

3. For a three electronic state sub-Hilbert space, the matrix representation of adiabatic nuclear Schrödinger equation is given by

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 (H_{ij} - E\delta_{ij})\psi_j(\vec{n}) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{ii} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(\nabla^2 + 2\vec{\tau}_{ii}^{(1)} \cdot \vec{\nabla} + \tau_{ii}^{(2)}) + u_i(n) \\
H_{ij} &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}(2\vec{\tau}_{ij}^{(1)} \cdot \vec{\nabla} + \tau_{ij}^{(2)}) = H_{ji}^\dagger \\
\vec{\tau}_{ij}^{(1)} &= \langle \xi_i(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) | \vec{\nabla} | \xi_j(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) \rangle \\
\tau_{ij}^{(2)} &= \langle \xi_i(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) | \nabla^2 | \xi_j(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) \rangle \\
\langle \xi_i(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) | \xi_j(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) \rangle &= \delta_{ij},
\end{aligned}$$

where \vec{n} and \vec{e} are the sets of nuclear and electronic coordinates, respectively. If $\xi_i(\vec{e}, \vec{n})$ s are the electronic basis functions defined as below:

$$\begin{aligned}
\xi_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha \cos \beta \\ \sin \alpha \cos \beta \\ \sin \beta \end{pmatrix} \\
\xi_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} -\cos \alpha \sin \beta \sin \gamma - \sin \alpha \cos \gamma \\ -\sin \alpha \sin \beta \sin \gamma + \cos \alpha \cos \gamma \\ \cos \beta \sin \gamma \end{pmatrix}, \\
\xi_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} -\cos \alpha \sin \beta \cos \gamma + \sin \alpha \sin \gamma \\ -\sin \alpha \sin \beta \cos \gamma + \cos \alpha \sin \gamma \\ \cos \beta \cos \gamma \end{pmatrix},
\end{aligned}$$

and $\alpha(\vec{n})$, $\beta(\vec{n})$, and $\gamma(\vec{n})$ are the mixing angles between “1-2”, “1-3”, and “2-3” electronic states, find the explicit forms of non adiabatic coupling matrix elements ($\vec{\tau}_{ij}^{(1)}(\vec{n}) = \langle \xi_i(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) | \vec{\nabla}_n | \xi_j(\vec{e}, \vec{n}) \rangle$).

The z-components of the mathematical curl ($Curl \tau_{xy}^{ij}$) and the commutator curl (C_{xy}^{ij}) of NACTs are given by

$$Curl \tau_{xy}^{ij} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \tau_x^{ij} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \tau_y^{ij} \quad (3.1)$$

$$C_{xy}^{ij} = (\tau_x \tau_y)^{ij} - (\tau_y \tau_x)^{ij} \quad (3.2)$$

Show that mathematical and commutator curls are equal (Yang-Mill Field) if the (3×3) $\vec{\tau}$ matrix strictly form a three state sub-Hilbert space.

[Hint: One requires to know how to take symbolic derivative and that will provide the functional forms of τ_{ij} . If there are two nuclear coordinates x and y , cross-derivative needs to be taken on the corresponding scalar components (x and y) of explicit forms of τ_{ij} to calculate mathematical curl (Eq. 3.1), whereas the commutator between the explicit forms of those scalar components of τ_{ij} will provide the commutator curl (Eq. 3.2).]

4. Given the model diabatic Hamiltonian matrix expanded in terms of the active modes [complex linear combination of two normal modes, bending (Q_x) and asymmetric stretching (Q_y)] for the two $2^2E'$ states of Na_3 cluster:

$$\hat{H}_e(\rho, \phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho^2}{2} & K\rho e^{i\phi} + \frac{1}{2}g\rho^2 e^{-2i\phi} \\ K\rho e^{-i\phi} + \frac{1}{2}g\rho^2 e^{2i\phi} & \frac{\rho^2}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.1)$$

find the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of the above Hamiltonian. Also formulate the analytic forms of ρ ($\tau_\rho = \langle \xi_i(\rho, \phi) | \frac{d}{d\rho} | \xi_j(\rho, \phi) \rangle$) and ϕ ($\tau_\phi = \langle \xi_i(\rho, \phi) | \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d}{d\phi} | \xi_j(\rho, \phi) \rangle$) components of non adiabatic coupling elements.

[Hint: One needs to know how to diagonalize a 2 X 2 matrix. Column vectors of the diagonalizing matrix are the eigenfunctions, which can be used to find out τ_ρ and τ_ϕ by taking simple derivatives on those functions. Here two coordinates are necessary, particularly, in polar form to get the angular nonadiabatic coupling term (τ_ϕ), which on integration over circular coordinate (ϕ) provides π .]

5. For a tri-atomic system ABC, the reactant coordinates in collinear arrangement are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} (r_{BC}, r_{BA}) &\Leftrightarrow (r, \rho) \\ \vec{r}_R &= \vec{r}_{BC} & \vec{\rho}_R &= \vec{r}_{BA} - \left(\frac{m_C}{m_B + m_C} \right) \vec{r}_{BC} \\ \mu_{BC} &= \frac{m_B m_C}{m_B + m_C} & \mu_{A,BC} &= \frac{m_A (m_B + m_C)}{M}, \end{aligned}$$

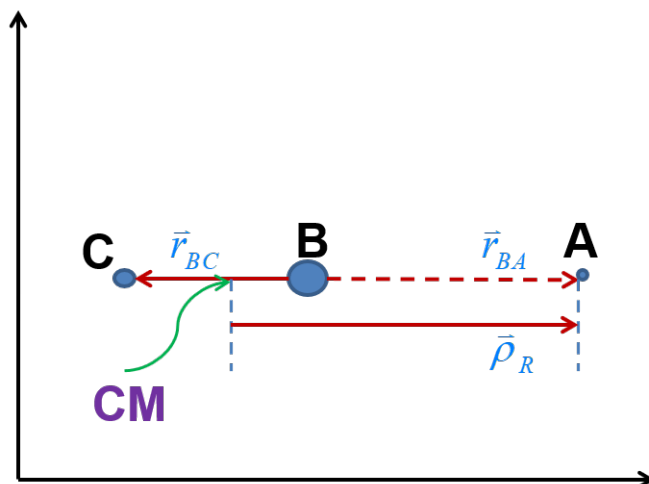


Figure 1: Reactant coordinates in collinear arrangement

whereas the product coordinate in collinear arrangement:

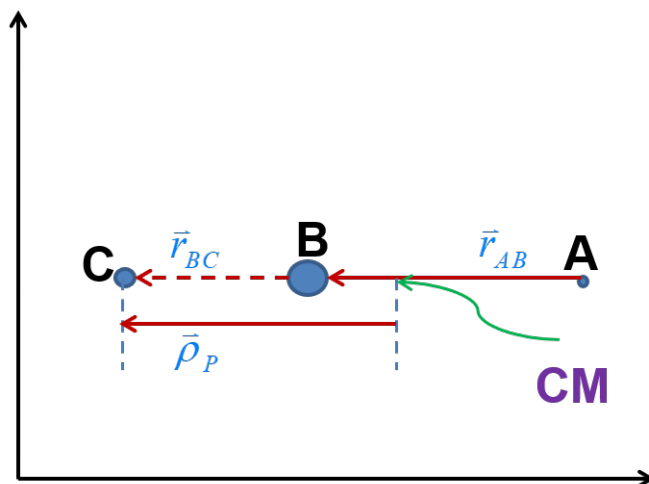


Figure 2: Product coordinates in collinear arrangement

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{r}_P &= \vec{r}_{AB} & \vec{\rho}_P &= \vec{r}_{BC} + \left(\frac{m_A}{m_A+m_B}\right)\vec{r}_{AB} \\ \mu_{AB} &= \frac{m_A m_B}{m_A+m_B} & \mu_{C,AB} &= \frac{m_C(m_A+m_B)}{M} \end{aligned}$$

The scaling factors λ_I and λ_{II} are defined as:

$$\lambda_I = \left(\frac{\mu_{BC}}{\mu_{A,BC}}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{II} = \left(\frac{\mu_{AB}}{\mu_{C,AB}}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}},$$

Thus, the new sets of rescaled coordinates become:

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{r}_I &= r_R \vec{\lambda}_I & \vec{\rho}_I &= \vec{\rho}_R \lambda_I^{-1} \\ \vec{r}_{II} &= \vec{r}_P \lambda_{II} & \vec{\rho}_{II} &= \vec{\rho}_P \lambda_{II}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

which are related through the following transformation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \vec{\rho}_{II} \\ \vec{r}_{II} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \beta & \sin \beta \\ -\sin \beta & \cos \beta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{\rho}_I \\ \vec{r}_I \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.1)$$

Find the transformation matrix in terms of masses of the atoms.

[Hint: The working habit on algebraic manipulation is enough.]

6. If the amplitudes of the wave packet on the θ grid ($0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$) are given by

$$\chi(\theta_1), \chi(\theta_2), \dots, \chi(\theta_{N-1}), \chi(\theta_N)$$

$[\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_N$ are N number of grid points], the amplitudes can be written as linear combination of plane waves forming a complete basis set:

$$\chi(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{2M} C_n \exp(-i\kappa_n \theta) \quad (6.1)$$

Such basis functions are continuous and their amplitudes match exactly at $\theta = 0$ and 2π .

Therefore, we obtain the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\chi(\theta_1) &= \sum_{n=1}^{2M} C_n \exp(-i\kappa_n \theta_1), \\ \chi(\theta_2) &= \sum_{n=1}^{2M} C_n \exp(-i\kappa_n \theta_2), \\ &\vdots \\ \chi(\theta_k) &= \sum_{n=1}^{2M} C_n \exp(-i\kappa_n \theta_k),\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\kappa_n &= \frac{2\pi}{L} n, & \text{when } n \leq M \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{L} (n - 1 - 2M), & \text{when } n > M\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\theta} \chi(\theta) \exp(i\kappa_m \theta) d\theta &= \sum_{n=1}^{2M} C_n \left[\int_{\theta} \exp(-i\kappa_n \theta) \exp(i\kappa_m \theta) d\theta \right] \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{2M} C_n \delta_{nm} = C_m \end{aligned}$$

In general, the Fourier coefficients can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} C_m &= \int_{\theta} \chi(\theta) \exp(i\kappa_m \theta) d\theta \\ \Rightarrow C_m &= \sum_{l=1}^{2N} \chi(\theta_l) \exp(i\kappa_m \theta_l) \Delta\theta \end{aligned} \quad (6.2)$$

If we back substitute those C_m s into Eq. 6.1, we can regenerate the original wave function.

If the wave packet on the θ -grid is defined within the domain 0 and $\pi/2$, the amplitudes of the Fourier basis at $\theta=0$ do not match at $\theta = \pi/2$ for continuity and thereby, one can avoid the problem by performing sine transformation.

If the amplitudes of the wave packet on the grid ($0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$) are represented as,

$$\chi(\theta_1), \chi(\theta_2), \dots, \chi(\theta_{N-1}), \chi(\theta_N),$$

then show that doubling the grid in the following fashion

$$\begin{aligned} \theta = 0 & \quad \dots\dots \quad \pi/2 & \quad \dots\dots & \quad \pi \\ \chi(\theta_1), \chi(\theta_2), \dots, \chi(\theta_{N-1}), \chi(\theta_N), & -\chi(\theta_N), -\chi(\theta_{N-1}), \dots, -\chi(\theta_2), -\chi(\theta_1), \end{aligned} \quad (6.3)$$

would lead to sine transformation:

$$C_m = \sum_{l=1}^N 2i\chi(\theta_l) \sin(\kappa_m \theta_l) \Delta\theta \quad (6.4)$$

[Hint: Only the rule of complex exponential functions using Euler's formula is needed.]

7. Time dependent Schrödinger equation can be written as:

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial t} = H\Phi, \quad (7.1)$$

where in matrix representation, Φ is a vector of length N and H is a $N \times N$ matrix.

The matrix (Q) that transform the Hamiltonian matrix (H) into a tri-diagonal form (T) is:

$$Q^\dagger H Q = T \quad Q^\dagger Q = 1, \quad (7.2)$$

where Q is defined as:

$$Q = [q_1 \ q_2 \ \dots \ q_j \ \dots \ q_l]_{l \times l}, \quad q_i \text{ is vector of length } N$$

and T is of the following form,

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 & \beta_1 & 0 & \dots & & & & & & 0 \\ \beta_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_2 & & & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \beta_2 & \alpha_3 & \beta_3 & & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & & & & & \\ & & & & \beta_{j-1} & & & & & \\ & & & & \beta_{j-1} & \alpha_j & \beta_j & & & \\ \vdots & & & & \beta_j & \alpha_{j+1} & & & & \vdots \\ & & & & & & & & & \beta_{l-1} \\ 0 & \dots & & & & & \dots & 0 & \beta_{l-1} & \alpha_l \end{bmatrix}_{l \times l}.$$

Considering,

$$\begin{aligned} HQ &= QT \\ \Rightarrow H \begin{bmatrix} q_1 & q_2 & \dots & q_j & \dots & q_l \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} q_1 & q_2 & \dots & q_j & \dots & q_l \end{bmatrix} T, \end{aligned} \quad (7.3)$$

derive the relations ($\alpha_j = q_j^\dagger H q_j$, $\beta_{j-1} = q_{j-1}^\dagger H q_j$) to obtain the elements of tri-diagonal matrix T .

[Hint: The knowledge on the multiplication of matrix and understanding on the orthogonal properties of vectors are only required.]