

Bonding – Diatomics-09 update (Ch. 16 Engel, Ch.10-Atkins)

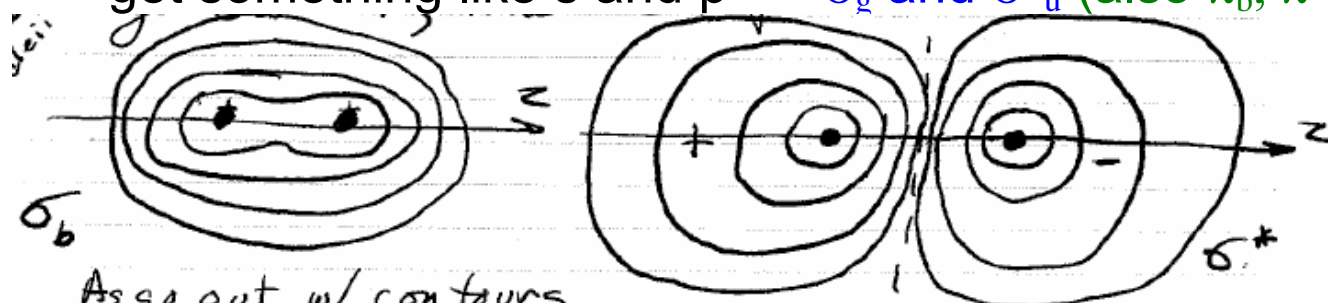
For multi electron atoms we built up from H-atom

For molecules take same approach

Can solve problem for H_2^+

(1 – e^- in non-central potential – 2 nuclei)

get something like s and p -- σ_g and σ_u^* (also π_b, π^*)



As go out with contours
gets more spherical

Alternate – has nodal plane
recall—nodes → energy

Both have cylindrical symmetry about z-axis –

this is equivalent to $m_l = 0 \rightarrow \sigma$ -state

e^- attracted to both nuclei, far away looks like atom

σ - bonding $\rightarrow \psi^*\psi$ increase between nuclei (e^- density)

σ^* - anti-bond $\rightarrow \psi^*\psi$ decrease between nuclei

Reference state – 2 atoms

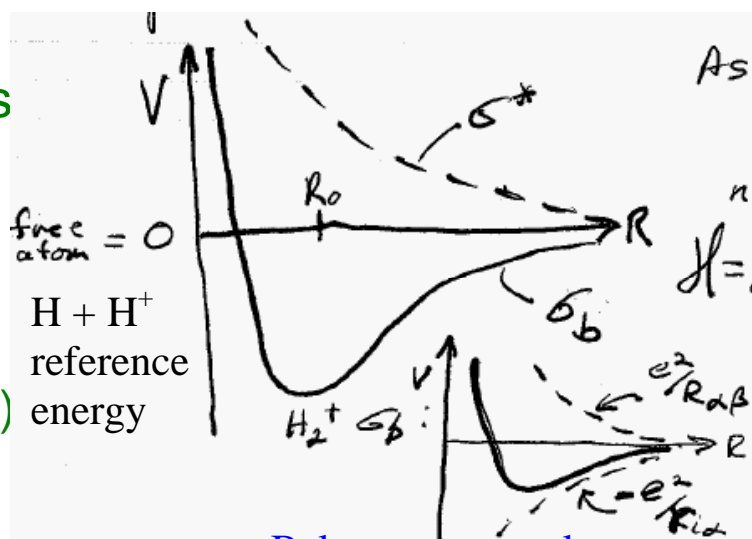
(H_2^+ – atom and proton)

As atoms approach,
their electrons

– attract other nucleus

– repel each other (not H_2^+)

-- always the nuclei repel



Balance n-n repuls, e-n attr.

Full Hamiltonian (need to know!!):

$$H = -\sum_{\alpha=1}^2 \frac{\hbar^2}{2M_{\alpha}} \nabla_{\alpha}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_i^2 - \sum_{i, \alpha} \frac{Z_{\alpha} e^2}{r_{i\alpha}} + \sum_{ij} \frac{e^2}{r_{ij}} + \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \frac{Z_{\alpha} Z_{\beta} e^2}{R_{\alpha\beta}}$$

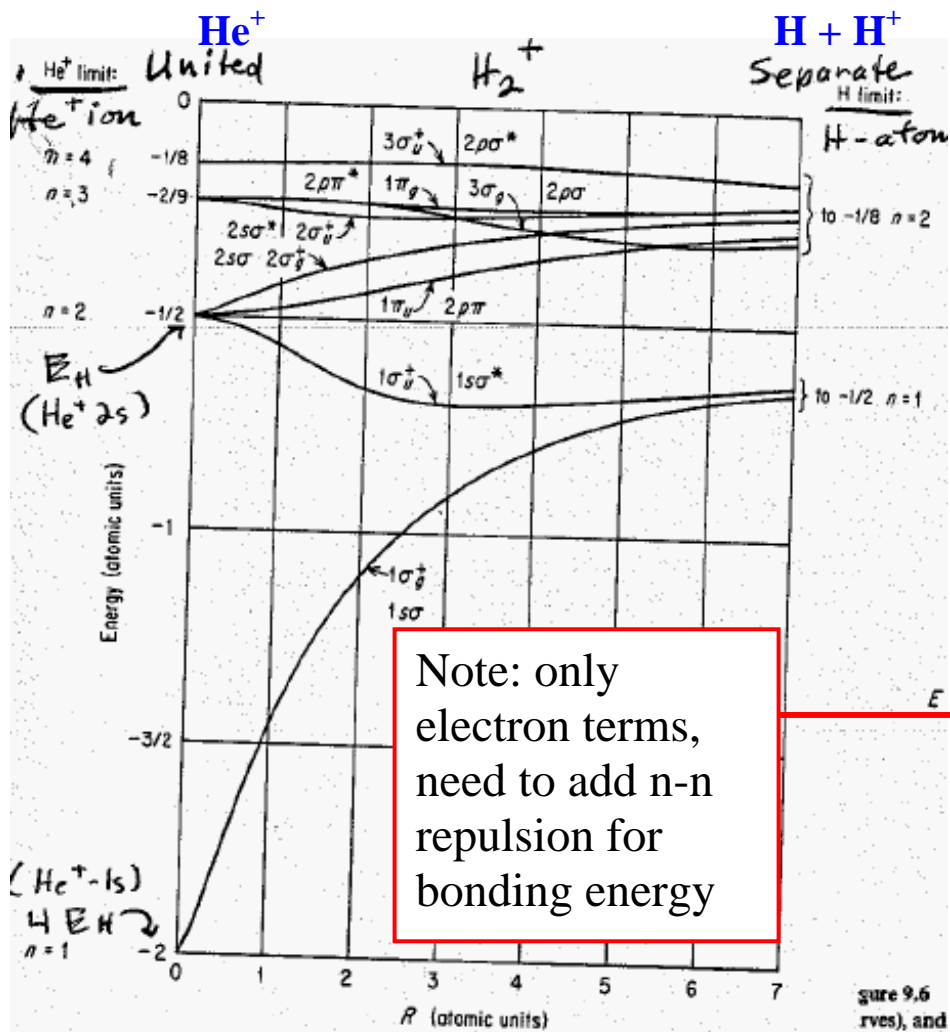
n-KE e-KE n-e attr. e-e repul. n-n repul

Bonding balance: e – n attract with n – n repel

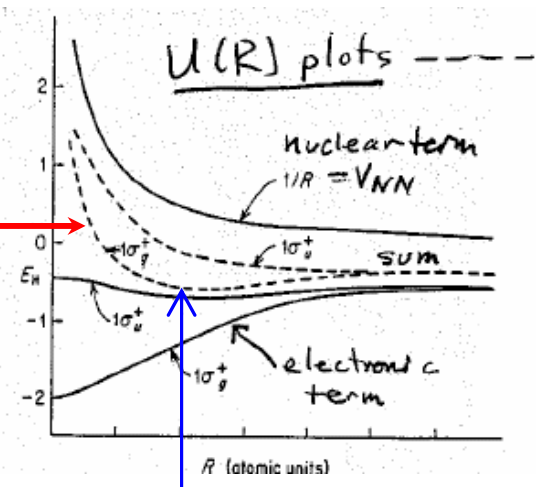
MO : For one electron, can drop sums on i and 4th term, solution is a 1 e- wave fct. – i.e. orbital with 2 nuclei

Plot as fct of R (n-n separation) go from united to separate atoms, or He → 2H, with H₂ between

1-elctron plot:



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 separated atom (2a)
 ← E_H/4 (2=n)
 } E_{el} plots, if extrapolate R → ∞
 ← E_H (1=n, 1s)



R_e equilibrium bond length

Figure 9.2 Several lowest electronic energy levels of H₂⁺ as a function of internuclear distance. (Adapted from J. C. Slater, *Quantum Theory of Molecules and Solids*, Volume I, McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York, 1963. By permission.)

H_2^+ orbitals as fct. of R :

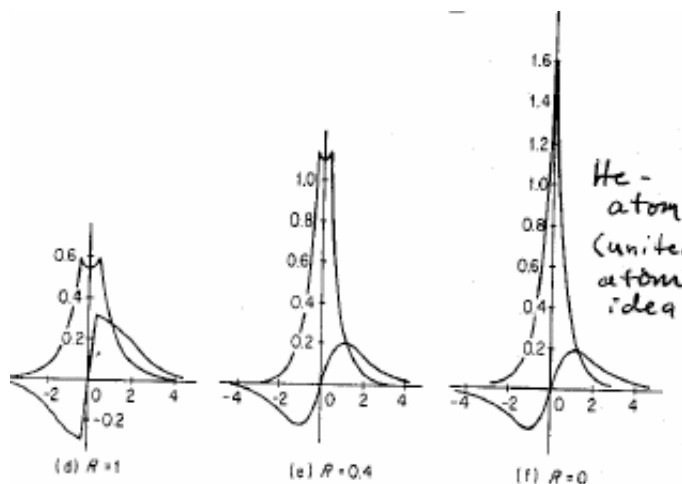
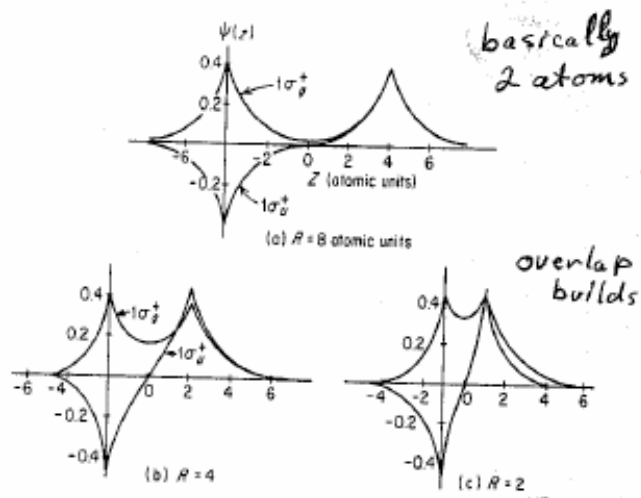


Figure 9.3 Normalized wave functions for the $1\sigma_g^+$ and $1\sigma_g^-$ states of H_2^+ , along the internuclear axis, for various internuclear separations. (Adapted from Slater. By permission—see Fig. 9.1.)

LCAO-MO Linear Combination of Atomic Orbitals

MO theory-- Simpler more transparent method

AO's – form a basis—

i.e. describe all the functions possible for e^-

For molecule need MO –

orbital ($1e^-$) delocalize over 1 ion several nuclei

Form linear combination AO's \Rightarrow LCAO-MO

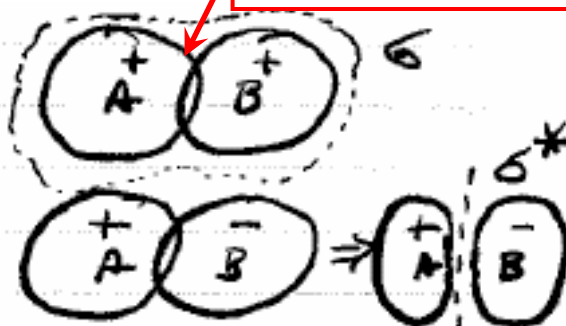
So if lowest E AO's for H_2^+ are 1s

Then $\sigma_b \sim (1s_A) + (1s_B)$

$\sigma^* \sim (1s_A) - (1s_B)$

Continue on this track:

more electrons – just put 2 in each MO (opposite spin)

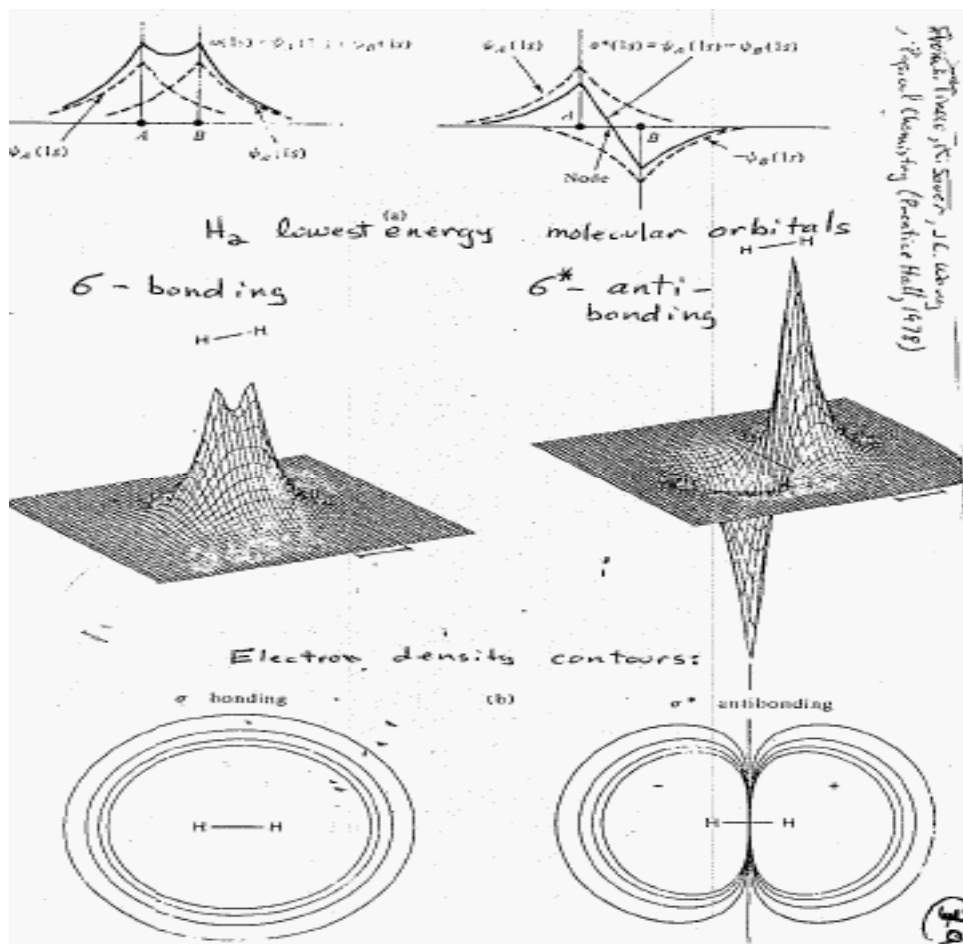


Decrease density

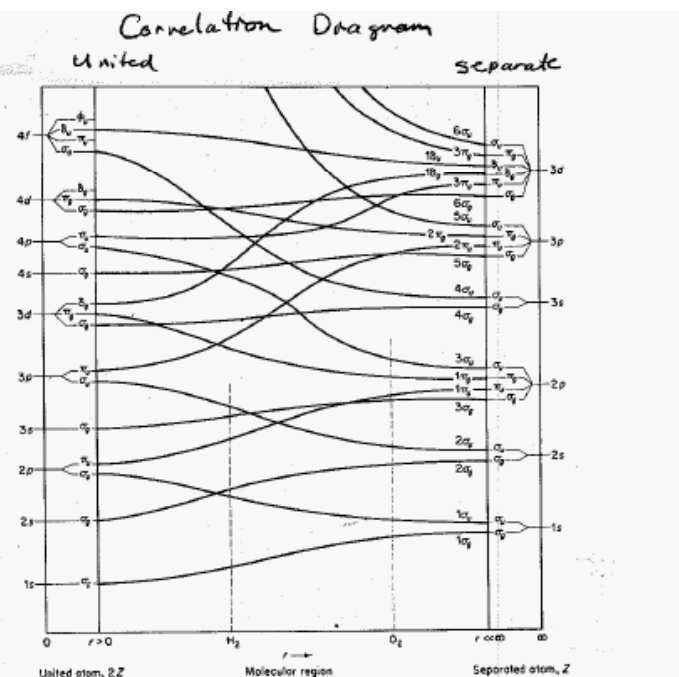
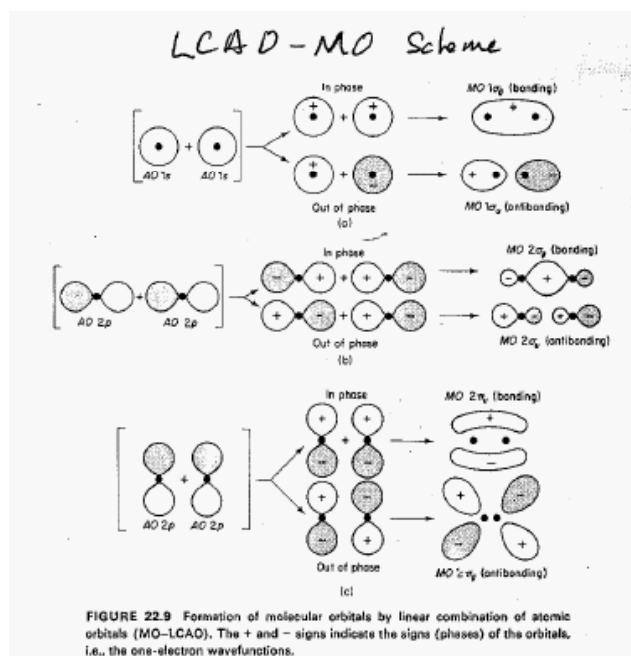
$H_2^+ \rightarrow (\sigma_b)^1$ — weak bond (1/2) } () =

$H_2 \rightarrow (\sigma_b)^2$ — strongly bound (1) } bond order

B.O. = (#e-bond - #e-antibond)/2



Representations of bonding and anti-bonding, σ and σ^* , molecular orbitals
 Learn: recognize, interpret shapes



LCAO-MO Scheme diagram -- Correlation Diagram

Put this together again – approx. H as sum of 1-elect h_i

$$H_{el} = \sum_{i=1}^N (-\hbar^2/2m \nabla_i^2 + V(r_i)) \quad V(r_i) - \text{elect. potential}$$

part depend on r_i only [H-F typical method]

Summed $H \Rightarrow$ product w/f: $\psi = \prod_{i=1}^N \phi_i(r_i)$

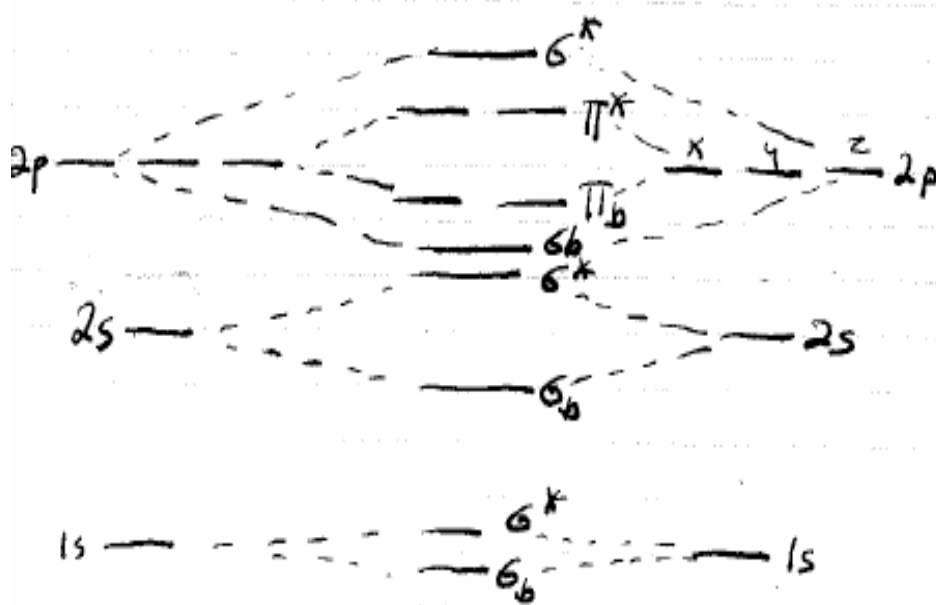
$\phi_i \rightarrow$ MO = $1e^-$ w/f

Energy is sum of occupied orbital: $E = \sum_{i=1}^N \epsilon_i$

Typical picture homo nuclear diatomic

Aufbau—fill in
order of increase
energy, 2 elect.
each MO

1s interaction
strong H_2 ,
weak for 2nd row



This ordering changes as cross periodic table

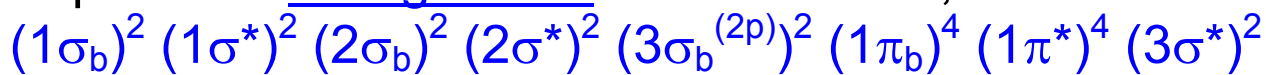
interaction of $2s \sigma$ and $2p \sigma$ causes a shift

\rightarrow see handout (next page)

early in series – AO--less s-p separation, MO-- $\pi_b < \sigma_b$

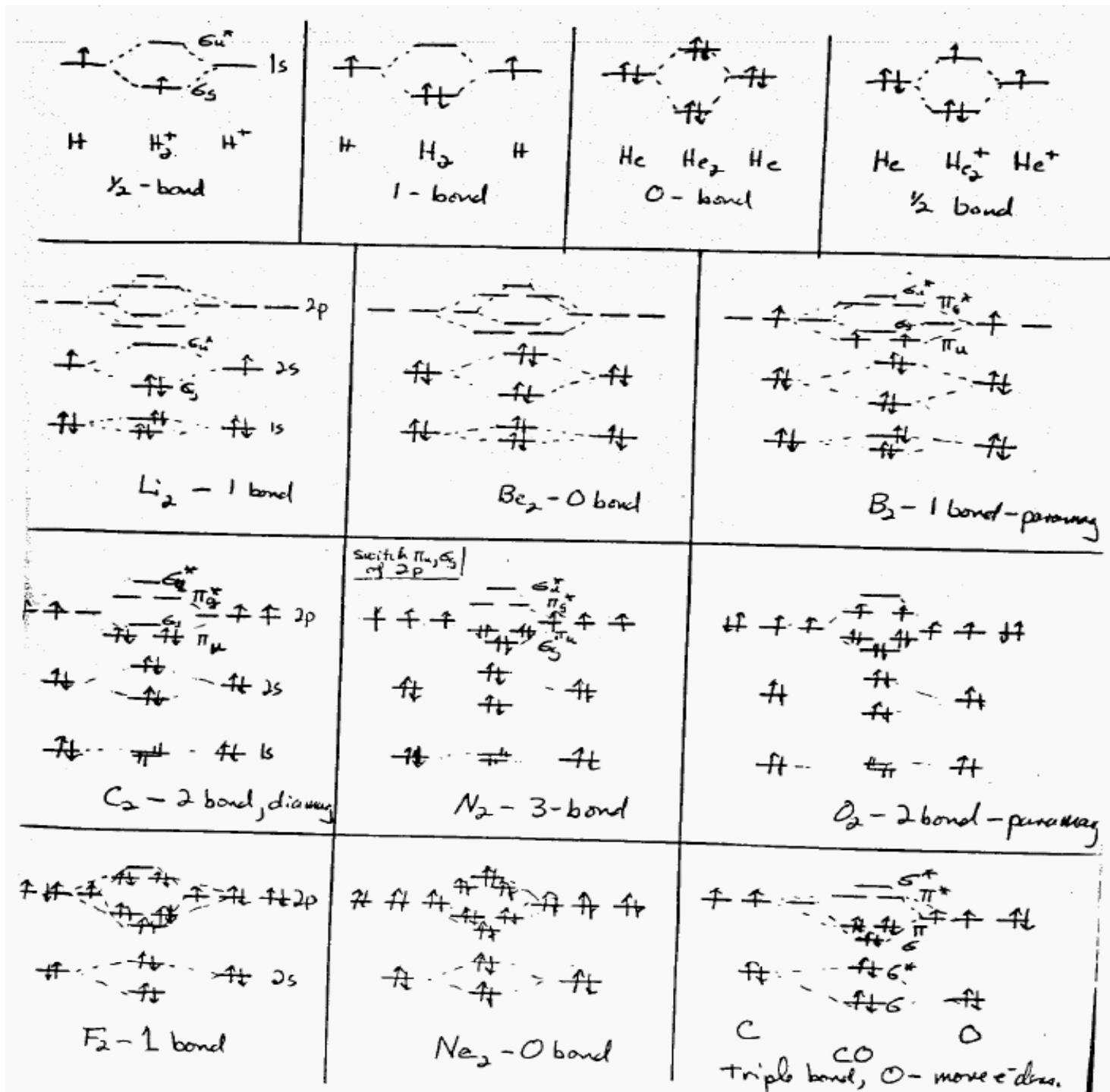
later – more shielding– AO - s-p separate, MO - $\sigma_b < \pi_b$

Express as configuration $\rightarrow 2e^-$ each σ , $4e^-$ each π :



3rd row series – same idea – these will be shrunk

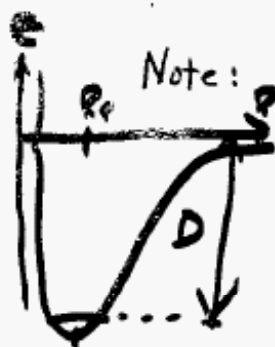
MO diagrams (LCAO approach)



Home nuclear Diatomics

L^u pub's (2c)

Molecule	D_e (eV)	R_e (Å)	"bond order"	Configuration (lowest energy)	Ground Term	Comment
H_2^+	2.78	1.06	$\frac{1}{2}$	$(\sigma_g^{1s})^1$	$2 \Sigma_g^+$	
H_2	4.76	0.74	1	$(\sigma_g^{1s})^2$	$1 \Sigma_g^+$	
He_2	—	—	0	$(\sigma_g^{1s})^2 (\sigma_u^{1s})^2$	$1 \Sigma_g^-$	ground state unbound
Li_2	1.1	2.67	1	$(\sigma_g^{1s})^2 (\sigma_u^{1s})^2 (\sigma_g^{2s})^2$	$1 \Sigma_g^+$	weak
Be_2	—	—	0	$[KK] (\sigma_g^{2s})^2 (\sigma_u^{2s})^2$	$1 \Sigma_g^-$	ground state unbound
B_2	2.9	1.6	1	$[KK (\sigma_g^{2s})^2 (\sigma_u^{2s})^2 (\pi_u^{2p})^2]$ $(\pi_g^{2p})^2 (\sigma_g^{2p})^2$	$3 \Sigma_g^-$	2 possible config paramagnetic ground state
C_2	6.4	1.24	2	$KK (\sigma_g^{2s})^2 (\sigma_u^{2s})^2 (\pi_u^{2p})^4$	$1 \Sigma_g^+$	
N_2	10.1	1.12	3	$KK \sigma_g^{2s} \sigma_u^{2s} \pi_u^4 (\sigma_g^{2p})^2$	$1 \Sigma_g^+$	strongest bond
O_2	5.2	1.21	2	$KK \sigma_g^{2s} \sigma_u^{2s} \pi_u^4$ $\sigma_g^{2p} (\pi_g^{2p})^2$	$3 \Sigma_g^-$	paramagnetic relative stabl. of σ_g^{2p} & π_u^{2p}
F_2	1.6	1.42	1	$KK \sigma_g^{2s} \sigma_u^{2s} \sigma_g^{2p} \pi_u^4$ $(\pi_g^{2p})^2 (\sigma_u^{2p})^2$	$1 \Sigma_g^-$	
Ne_2	—	—	0	$KK \sigma_g^{2s} \sigma_u^{2s} \sigma_g^{2p} \pi_u^4$ $\pi_g^4 \pi_g^4 \sigma_u^{2p}$	$1 \Sigma_g^-$	unbound



- Note:
- "bond order" reflected in D_e , R_e trends
 - He_2 , Be_2 , Ne_2 all possible as excited states (bound) — eg, $He_2^* - (\sigma_g^{1s})^2 (\sigma_u^{1s})^1 (\sigma_g^{2s})^1 - \frac{1}{2}$
 - More than half-filled less well bound yet shorter bond than less than half-filled for same bond order
 - Open shells have more than one possible terms (π_u^2) \rightarrow $1 \Delta_g$, $3 \Sigma_g^-$, $1 \Sigma_g^-$

Homonuclear Diatomics

Molc	D _e (eV)	R _e (Å)	bond order	Configuration (lowest energy)	Grd term	Comment
H ₂ ⁺	2.78	1.06	1/2	(σ _g ^{1s}) ¹	² Σ _g ⁺	
H ₂	4.76	0.74	1	(σ _g ^{1s}) ²	¹ Σ _g ⁺	
He ₂	---	---	0	(σ _g ^{1s}) ² (σ _u ^{1s}) ²	¹ Σ _g	ground state unbound
Li ₂	1.1	2.67	1	(σ _g ^{1s}) ² (σ _u ^{1s}) ² (σ _g ^{2s}) ²	¹ Σ _g	weak ground state
Be ₂	---	---	0	[KK] ⁴ (σ _g ^{2s}) ² (σ _u ^{2s}) ²	¹ Σ _g	unbound
B ₂	2.9	1.6	1	KK(σ _g ^{2s}) ² (σ _u ^{2s}) ² (π _u ^{2s}) ² alt: KK(σ _g ^{2s}) ² (σ _u ^{2s}) ² (π _u ^{2s}) ¹ (σ _g ^{2p}) ¹	³ Σ _g	2 possible configurations paramagnetic ground state
C ₂	6.4	1.24	2	KK (σ _g) ² (σ _u [*]) ² (π _u) ⁴	¹ Σ _g	
N ₂	10	1.12	3	KK σ _g ² σ _u ^{*2} π _u ⁴ (σ _g ^{2p}) ²	¹ Σ _g	strongest bond
O ₂	5.2	1.21	2	KK σ _g ² σ _u ^{*2} π _u ⁴ σ _g ² (π _g [*]) ²	³ Σ _g	paramagnetic relative stability of σ _g ^{2p} and π _u ^{2p}
F ₂	1.6	1.42	1	KK σ _g ² σ _u ^{*2} σ _g ² π _u ⁴ (π _g [*]) ⁴ (σ _u [*]) ⁰	¹ Σ _g	
Ne ₂	---	---	0	KK σ _g ² σ _u ^{*2} σ _g ² π _u ⁴ π _u ^{*4} σ _u ^{*2}	¹ Σ _g	unbound

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 b) He₂, Be₂, Ne₂ all possible as excited states
 (bound) – e.g. He₂^{*} – (σ_g)²(σ_u^{*})¹(σ_g^{2s})¹ – partial
 c) More than half-fill less well bound yet shorter
 bond than less than half-fill for same bond order
 d) Open shells have more than one possible term
 (^{2S+1}Λ, where Λ = Σ_im_{Li}) (Π_u⁴) → ¹Δ_g, ³Σ_g, ¹Σ_g