

Our Experience with TD-DFT and TD-DFTB in Biological, Bio-inspired, and Other Photoprocesses

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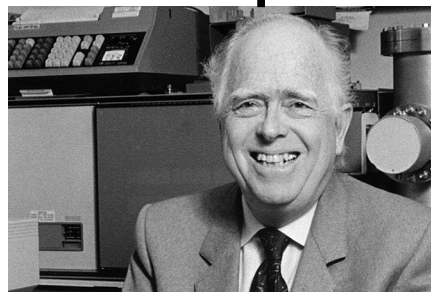
Lester Earl CASIDA
1904–1986
Prof. Univ. Wisconsin, Madison

American Society of Animal Science has named a scholarship for doctoral students in Reproductive Physiology in his honor.



John Edward CASIDA
1929-2018
Prof. Univ. Calif., Berkeley

Entomology and toxicology
Very distinguished (member USA NAS, UK Royal Society, Wolf Prize in Agriculture, ...)



Mark Earl CASIDA
1957-?
Prof. Univ. Grenoble Alpes

Theoretical Chemistry
Casida equations for TD-DFT

Lester Earl CASIDA Jr.
1928-2017
Prof. Penn. State Univ.

Industrial and soil microbiology
Discovered bacterium:
Ensifer adherens Casida 1982

$$\left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{A} \end{pmatrix} - \Omega_n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} X_n \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

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Topics:

- Quantum Mechanics in Biology: Enzyme Catalysis
- Protein Dynamics/Protein Folding
- Drug Design
- Protein Structure Prediction
- DNA/RNA Dynamics/Folding
- Coarse-grain simulations of nucleic acids & chromatin
- Multi-scale computer simulations for polymer melts
- Spectroscopy: Excited State Dynamics in Biology
- Stochastic processes in biophysics

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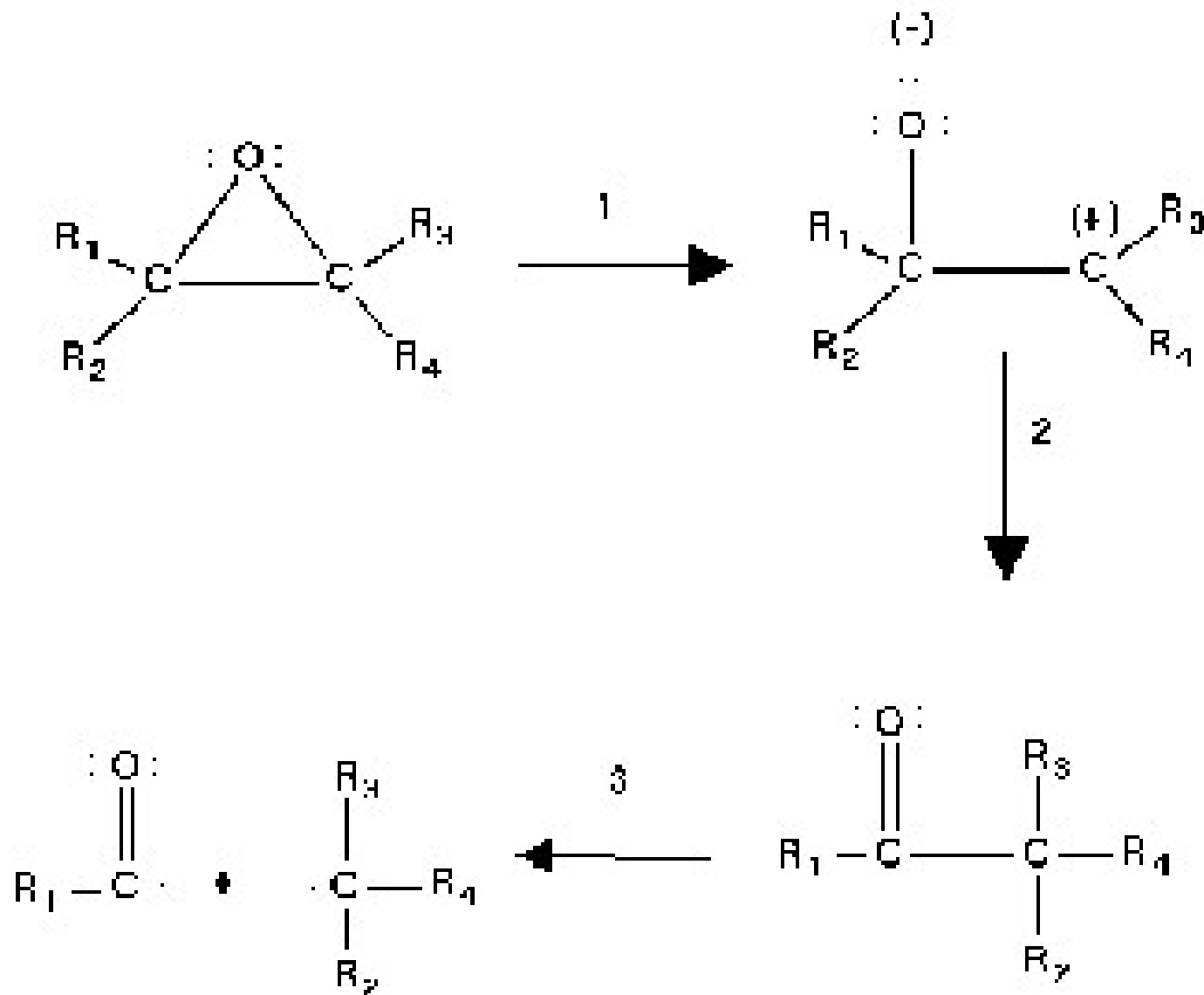
OXIRANE PHOTOCHEMISTRY

T. Ibuki, M. Inasaki et Y. Takesaki, *J. Chem. Phys.* 59, 2076 (1973).



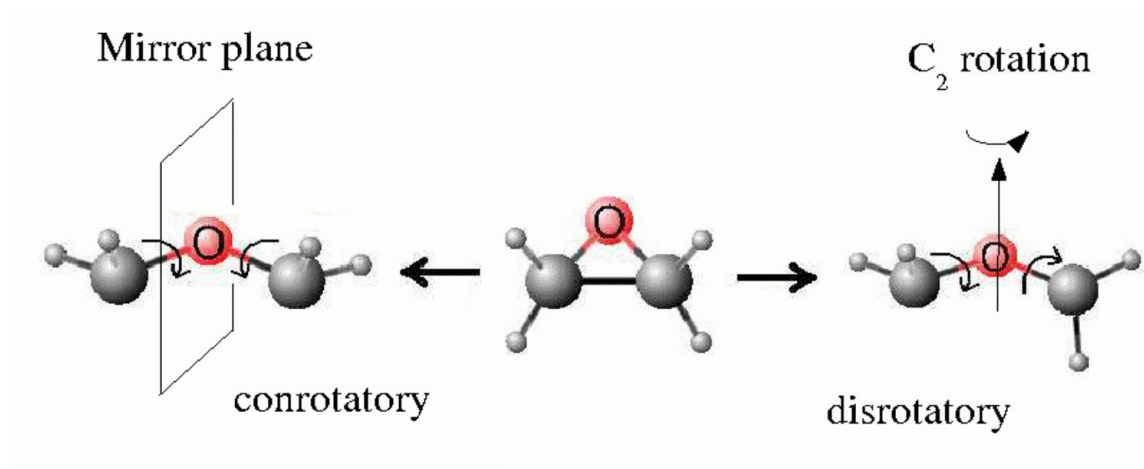
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$C_2H_4O + h\nu \rightarrow$				
$\rightarrow CH_3 + CHO (CO + H)$	1	1	1	(I)
$\rightarrow O + C_2H_4 (C_2H_2 + H_2)$	0.7	0.1	0.1	(II)
$\rightarrow H_2 + (CH_2CO)$	0.1	0.1	...	(III)
$\rightarrow CH_3CHO$	0.2	(IV)
$\rightarrow CH_2 + HCHO$	0.2	(V)

LEWIS STRUCTURES

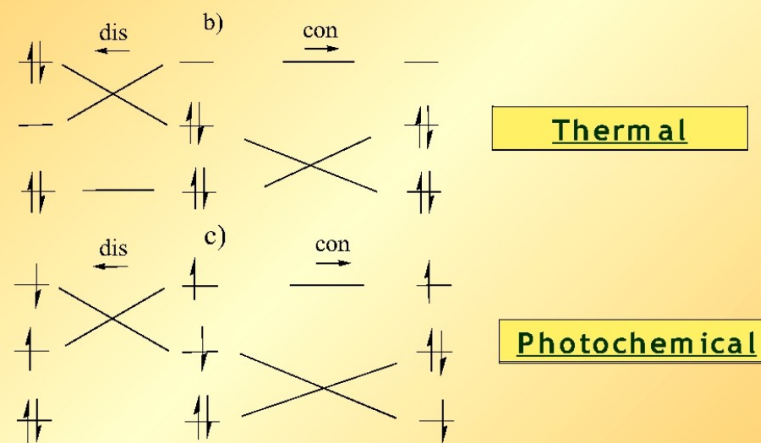
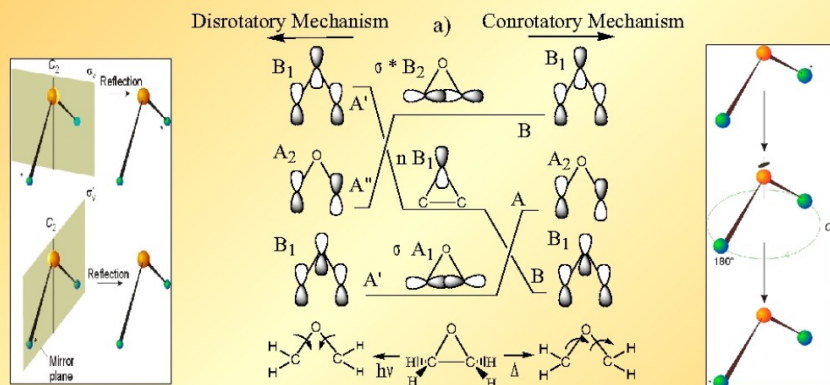


Gomer-Noyes Mechanism [E. Gomer et W.A. Noyes, Jr., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 72, 101 (1950); T. Ibuki, M. Inasaki et Y. Takesaki, J. Chem. Phys. 59, 2076 (1973).]

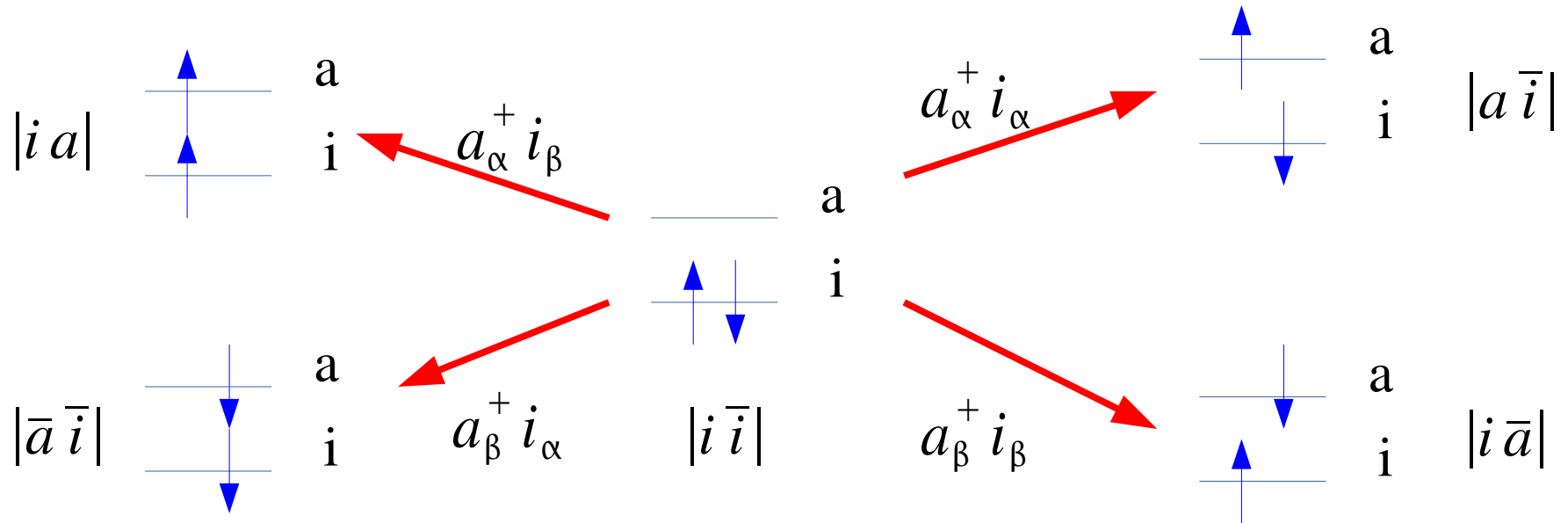
ORBITAL THINKING: WOODWARD-HOFFMANN RULES



Oxirane : a good molecule for computational test



STATES: TWO-ORBITAL TWO-ELECTRON MODEL (TOTEM)

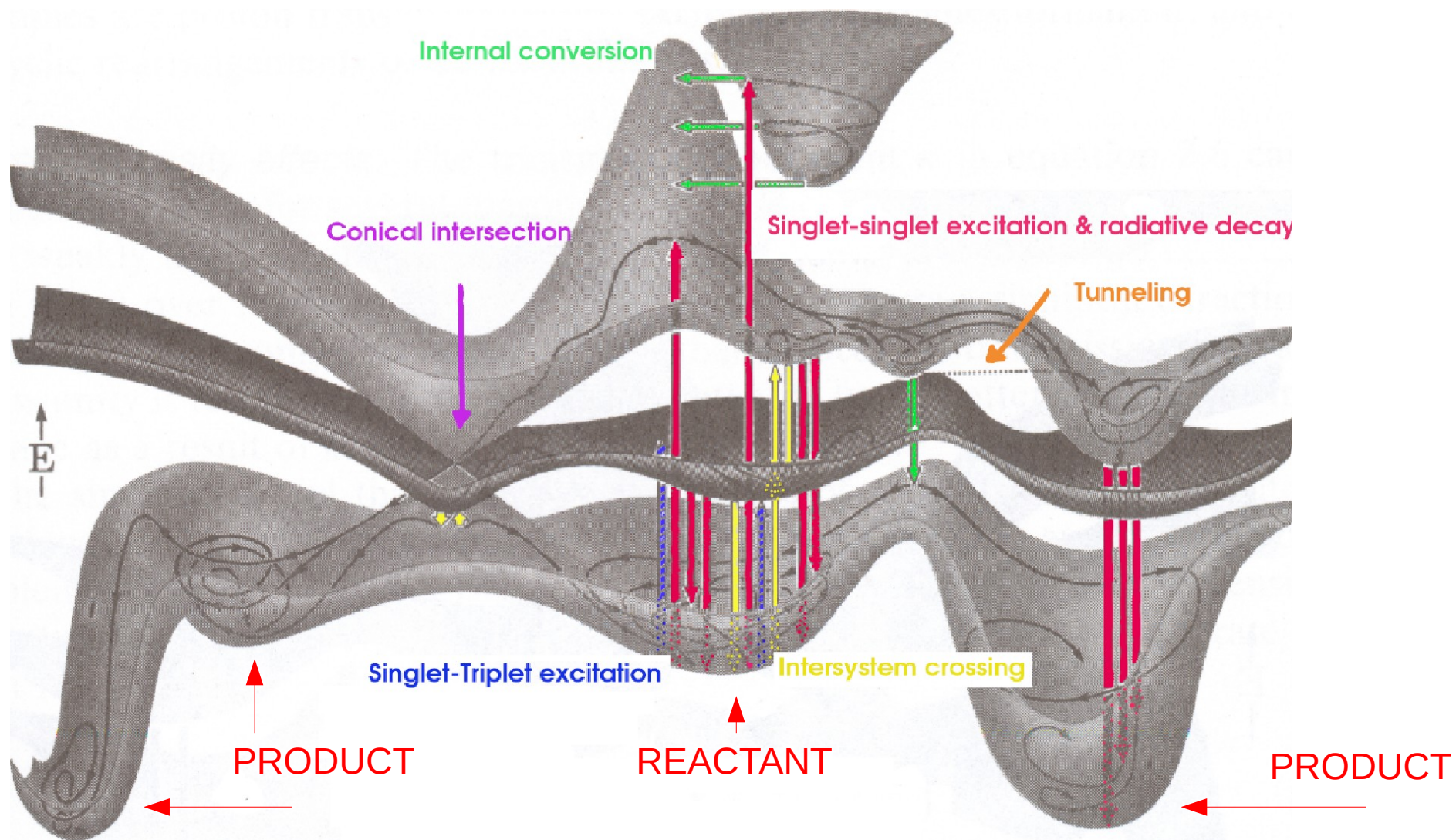


	Ψ_{S, M_s}
Singlet	$\Psi_{0,0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (a\bar{i}\rangle + i\bar{a}\rangle)$
Triplets	$\Psi_{1,0} = ia\rangle$
	$\Psi_{1,0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (a\bar{i}\rangle - i\bar{a}\rangle)$
	$\Psi_{1,-1} = \bar{a}i\rangle$

$$\omega_S = \epsilon_a - \epsilon_i + 2 \left(ai \left| f_H \right| ia \right) - \left(aa \left| f_H \right| ii \right)$$

$$\omega_T = \epsilon_a - \epsilon_i - \left(aa \left| f_H \right| ii \right)$$

POTENTIAL ENERGY SURFACES (PESSs)



Original image: J. Michl and V. Bonacic-Koutecky, *Electronic Aspects of Organic Photochemistry* (Wiley: New York, 1990), p. 71. Embellishment: E. Tapvicza.

WAYS WE TRY TO UNDERSTAND PHOTOCHEMICAL MECHANISMS

- Lewis structures
- Orbital models
- Potential energy surfaces*
- Pathway approach
 - Minimum energy pathways
- Funnels
- Dynamics
 - Ehrenfest
 - Surface hopping



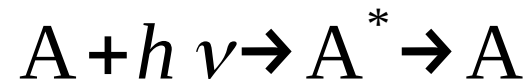
(Star Trek 3D chess)

* J. Michl and V. Bonacic-Koutecky, *Electronic Aspects of Organic Photochemistry* (Wiley: New York, 1990)

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SOME EXAMPLES OF EXCITED-STATE PROCESSES IN BIOLOGY
(all fall under a generalized notion of “photochemistry”)

PHOTOPHYSICS:



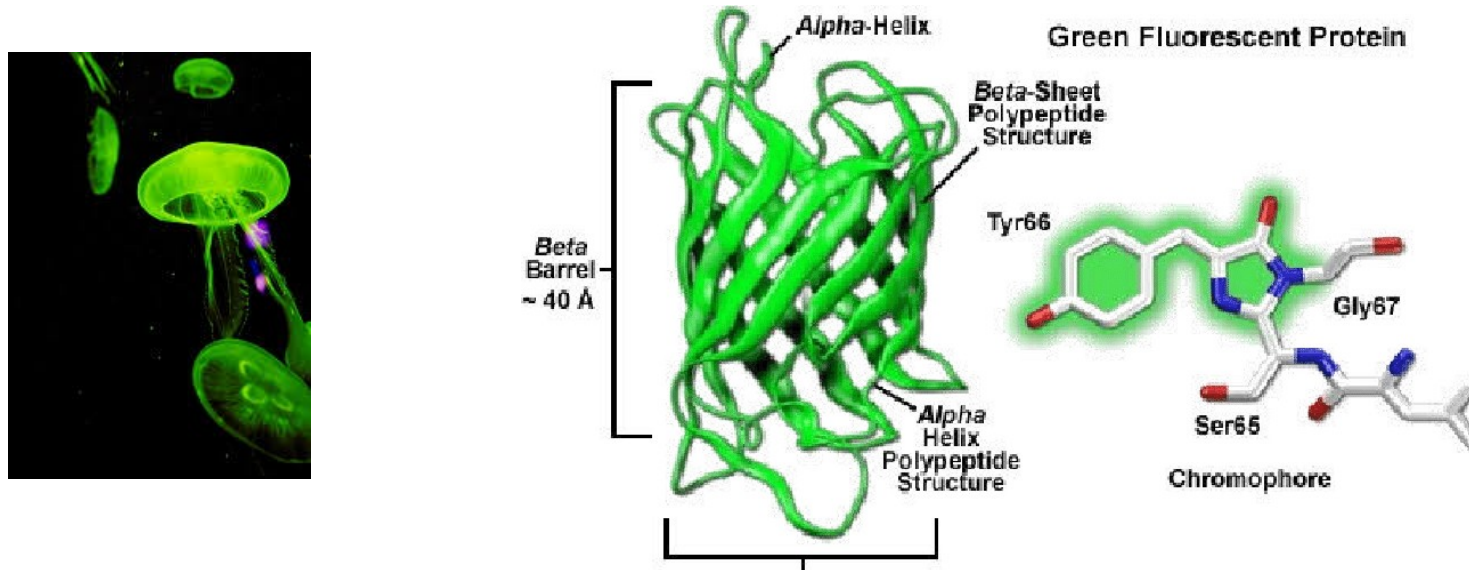
Radiationless relaxation

Luminescence

Fluorescence

Phosphorescence

Example: green fluorescent protein

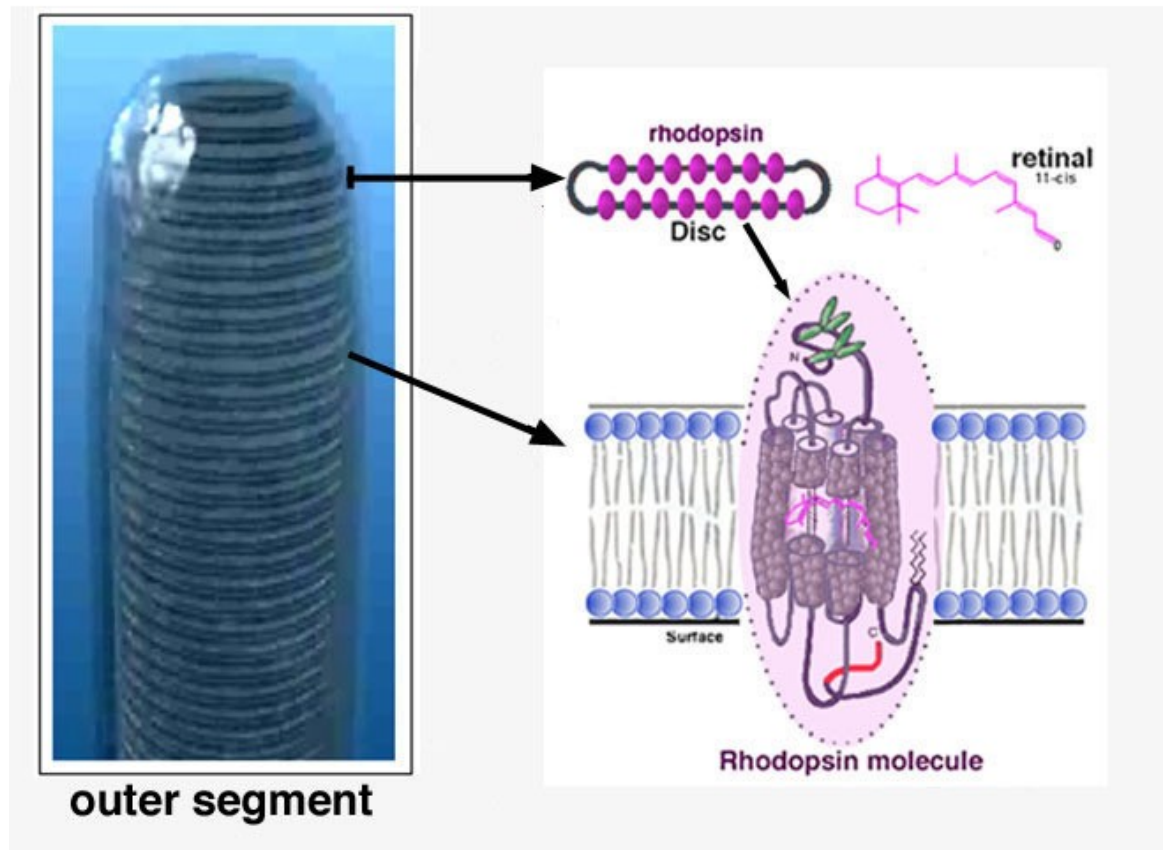


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PHOTOCHEMISTRY

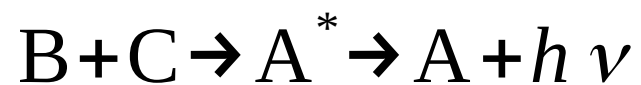


Example: vision (rhodopsin)

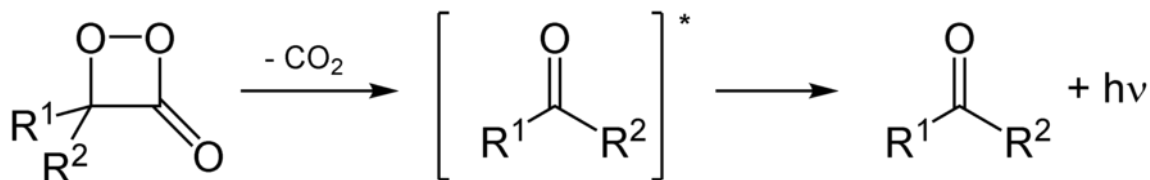
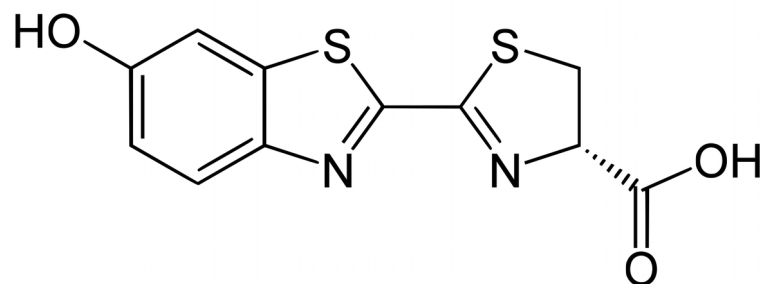


<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK52768/>

CHEMILUMINESCENCE



Example: firefly luciferon





E.H. White, J. Wiecko, and D.F. Roswell, "Photochemistry without light", *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **91**, 5194 (1969).

dark photochemistry (photochemistry without light) [obsolete]

<https://doi.org/10.1351/goldbook.D01517>

Chemical reactions involving electronically excited molecular entities which are generated thermally rather than by absorption of electromagnetic radiation. The use of this term is discouraged.

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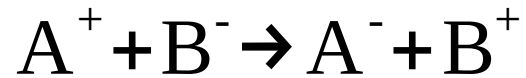
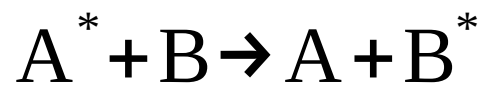
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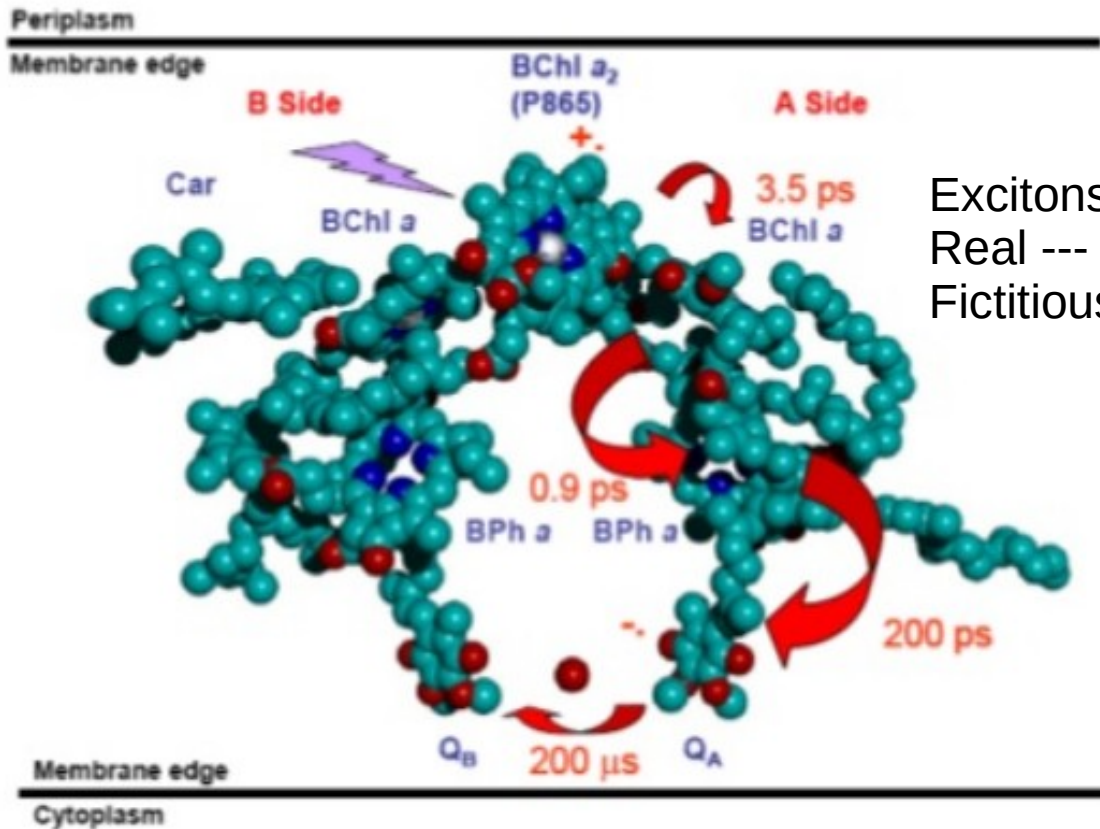
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EXCITONS



Example: photosynthesis



Excitons may be:

Real --- energy and charge transfer

Fictitious --- needed to understand complex systems

From a presentation by Neil Greenham

<https://www.slideshare.net/cdtpv/thursday-42325335>

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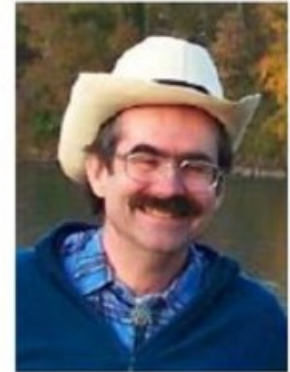


Cartoon given to me by Jean-Paul Malrieu

TDDFT



Prof. Dr. E.K.U. Gross



Prof. Dr. Mark Casida

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TIME-DEPENDENT DENSITY-FUNCTIONAL THEORY (TDDFT)

[E. Runge and E.K.U. Gross, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 52, 997 (1984)]

For a system, initially in its ground state, exposed to time-dependent perturbation :

Runge-Gross Theorem: $v_{ext}(rt)$ is determined by $\rho(rt)$ up to an additive function of time

Corollary: $\rho(\vec{r}t) \rightarrow N, v_{ext}(\vec{r}t) + C(t) \rightarrow \hat{H}(t) + C(t) \rightarrow \Psi(t) e^{-i \int_{t_0}^t C(t') dt'}$

(RG1 assumes functions with Taylor series.)

TIME-DEPENDENT KOHN-SHAM EQUATION

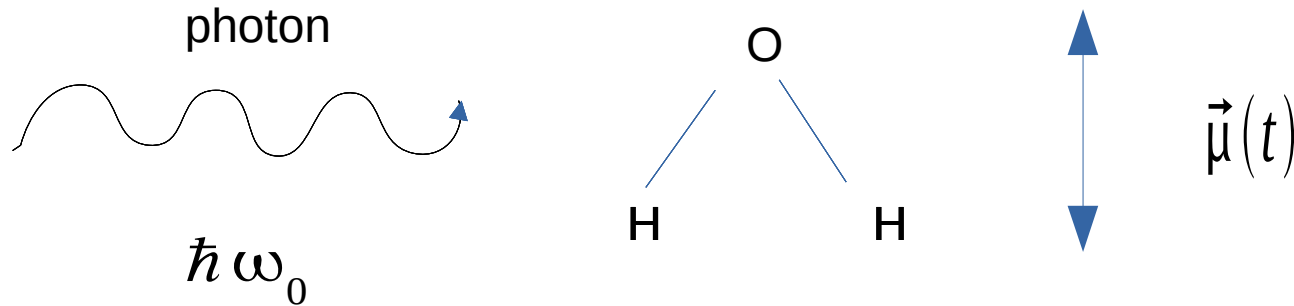
[E. Runge and E. K. U. Gross, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **52**, 997 (1984)]

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + v_{\text{ext}}(\vec{r}, t) + \int \frac{\rho(\vec{r}', t)}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|} d\vec{r}' + v_{xc}(\vec{r}, t) \right] \psi_i(\vec{r}, t) = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi_i(\vec{r}, t) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{where } \rho(\vec{r}, t) = \sum_{i\sigma} n_{i\sigma} |\psi_{i\sigma}(\vec{r}, t)|^2 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{and } v_{xc}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{\delta A_{xc}[\rho]}{\delta \rho(\vec{r}, t)} \quad (3)$$

Electric-Field Induced Electronic Polarization



Classical model of a photon

$$\vec{\varepsilon}(t) = \vec{\varepsilon} \cos \omega_0 t$$

$$v(\vec{r}, t) = e \vec{\varepsilon}(t) \cdot \vec{r}$$

Induced dipole moment

$$\delta \vec{\mu}(t) = -e \left(\langle \Psi_0 | \vec{r} | \delta \Psi_0(t) \rangle + \langle \delta \Psi_0(t) | \vec{r} | \Psi_0 \rangle \right)$$

THE DYNAMIC POLARIZABILITY

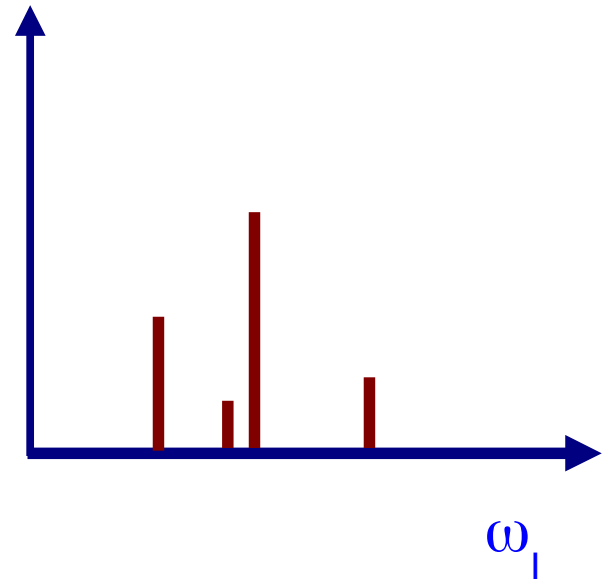
$$\mu_i(t) = \mu_i + \sum_j \alpha_{i,j}(\omega) \varepsilon_j \cos \omega t + \dots$$

$$\alpha_{r_i, r_j}(\omega) = \sum_{I \neq 0} \frac{2 \omega_I \langle \Psi_0 | r_i | \Psi_I \rangle \langle \Psi_I | r_j | \Psi_0 \rangle}{\omega_I^2 - \omega^2} f_I$$

Sum-over-states (SOS) theorem

$$\alpha(\omega) = \sum_{I \neq 0} \frac{f_I}{\omega_I^2 - \omega^2}$$

$$f_I = \frac{2}{3} \omega_I (|\langle \Psi_0 | x | \Psi_I \rangle|^2 + |\langle \Psi_0 | y | \Psi_I \rangle|^2 + |\langle \Psi_0 | z | \Psi_I \rangle|^2)$$



How to make computationally convenient?

COMPUTATIONALLY CONVENIENT FORMULATION

Mark E. Casida in *Recent Advances in Density Functional Methods, Part I*,
edited by D.P. Chong (Singapore, World Scientific, 1995), p. 155.

"Time-dependent density-functional response theory for molecules"

"RPA" equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} A(\omega_I) & B(\omega_I) \\ B(\omega_I) & A(\omega_I) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{X}_I \\ \vec{Y}_I \end{bmatrix} = \omega_I \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vec{X}_I \\ \vec{Y}_I \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

where

$$A_{ij\sigma,kl\tau}(\omega) = \delta_{\sigma,\tau} \delta_{i,k} \delta_{j,l} (\varepsilon_{j\sigma} - \varepsilon_{j\sigma}) + K_{ij\sigma,kl\tau}(\omega) \quad (2)$$

$$B_{ij\sigma,kl\tau}(\omega) = K_{ij\sigma,lk\tau}(\omega) \quad (3)$$

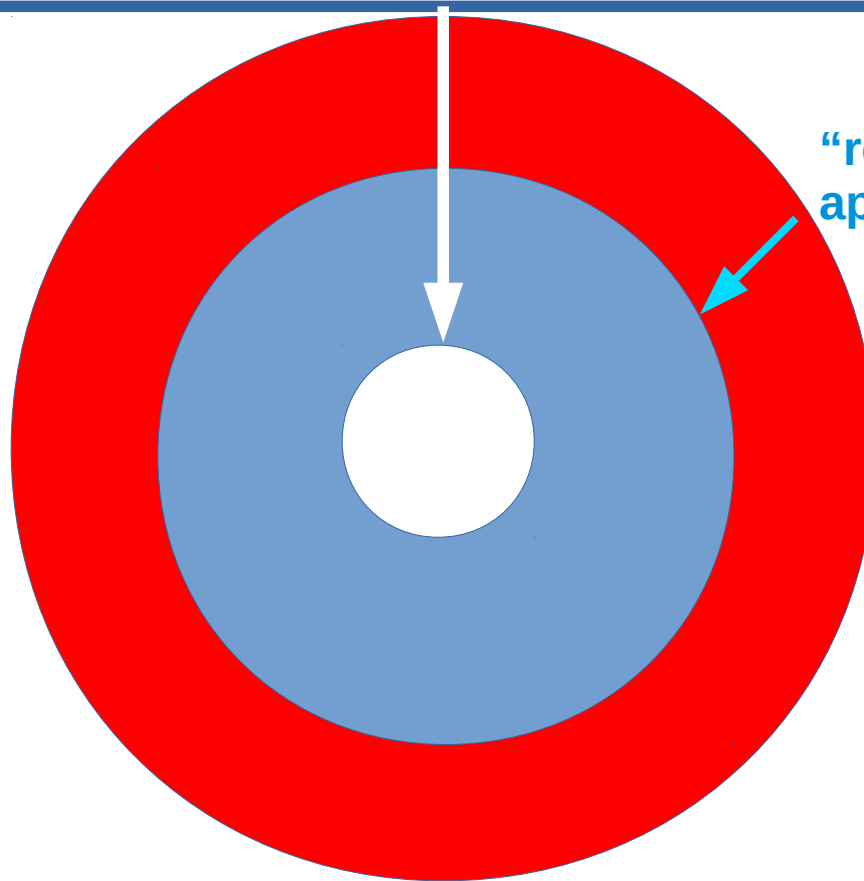
Coupling matrix

$$K_{ij\sigma,kl\tau} = \int \int \psi_{i\sigma}^*(\vec{r}) \psi_{j\sigma}(\vec{r}) f_{Hxc}^{\sigma,\tau}(\vec{r}, \vec{r}'; \omega) \psi_{k\tau}(\vec{r}') \psi_{l\tau}^*(\vec{r}') d\vec{r} d\vec{r}' \quad (4)$$

Where Conventional TD-DFT Works Best

When the un-symmetry-broken ground-state DFT answer is good
Low energy excitations of dominant single excitation character
Not too much “charge-transfer” (really density relaxation) character
Reasonably localized excitations

“safe place”



“reasonable risk” : where most applications are actually done

“danger zone” : what I would like to do and where we are most “in danger” of learning something interesting

OPTIMIST

"My glass is
half FULL."



Despite its simplicity, people really like TD-DFT because it allows them to treat problems that they could not treat with other methods!

- Resembles DFT
- Minimal basis set
- Monopole expansion of ERIs (γ integrals)
- Only 2-center integrals thanks to the potential or density superposition approximation
- Expansion of repulsion potential in terms of atomic pair potentials
- Self-consistent (response) correction
- Extended to TD-DFTB



I will never do
semi-empirical
theory!

Sure you will!

(A historic conversation
From Montreal days)



Thomas HEINE,
Technische Universität Dresden

PESSIMIST

"My glass is
half EMPTY."

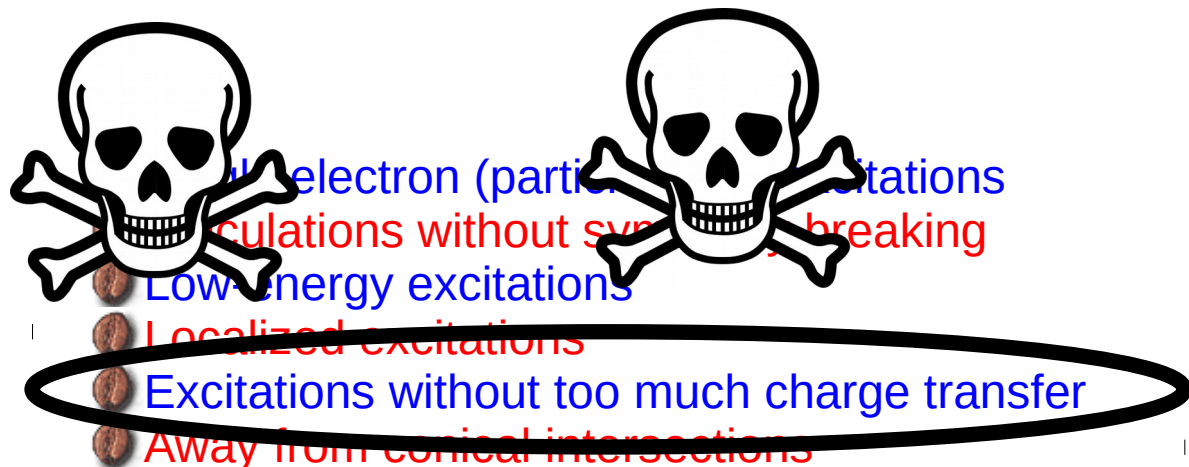


Murphy's Law: "If anything can possibly go wrong, it will."

(A good law for air craft engineers* and developers of theoretical methods.)

* Edward Murphy was an aeronautics engineer. The original meaning of the "law" was that you need to be ultracareful when you want to design something safe and reliable.

WHERE TD-DFT WORKS BEST:



Much progress has been made on improving these limitations. Only a little can present here about these problems and their solutions.

And if you want to look at charge transfer excitations?

RELATED PROBLEM: UNDERESTIMATED CHARGE TRANSFER EXCITATIONS

$$\omega_T = \epsilon_a - \epsilon_i + \left(ia \left| f_{xc}^{\alpha, \alpha} - f_{xc}^{\alpha, \beta} \right| ai \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\omega_S = \epsilon_a - \epsilon_i + \left(ai \left| 2 f_H + f_{xc}^{\alpha, \alpha} + f_{xc}^{\alpha, \beta} \right| ia \right) \quad (2)$$

Long-range charge transfer =>

$$\omega_{CT} = \epsilon_a - \epsilon_i < EA - IP \quad (3)$$

Should have

$$\omega_{CT} = EA - IP - \frac{1}{R} \quad (4)$$

A. Dreuw, J.L. Weisman, and M. Head-Gordon, "Long-range charge-transfer excited-states in time-dependent density-functional theory require non-local exchange", *J. Chem. Phys.* **119**, 2943 (2003).

Λ -Criterion*

$$\Lambda = \frac{\sum_{i,a} \kappa_{ia}^2 O_{ia}}{\sum_{i,a} \kappa_{ia}^2} \quad (1)$$

$$\kappa_{ia} = X_{ia} + Y_{ia} \quad (2)$$

Small values (< 0.3) of Λ indicate a high likelihood of a “charge-transfer” underestimation.

$$O_{ia} = \int |\psi_i(\vec{r})| |\psi_a(\vec{r})| d\vec{r} \quad (3)$$

* M.J.G. Peach, P. Benfield, T. Helgaker, and D.J. Tozer, *J. Chem. Phys.* **128**, 044118 (2008).
“Excitation energies in density functional theory: An evaluation and a diagnostic test”

$$\frac{1}{r_{12}} = \underbrace{\frac{\text{erfc}(\gamma r_{12})}{r_{12}}}_{\text{SHORT RANGE}} + \underbrace{\frac{\text{erf}(\gamma r_{12})}{r_{12}}}_{\text{LONG RANGE}}$$

Molecules:

SR \leftrightarrow DFT

LR \leftrightarrow WF (e.g. HF)

Solids:

SR \leftrightarrow WF

LR \leftrightarrow DFT

Applications in TDDFT:

Y. Tawada, T. Tsuneda, S. Yanagisawa, T. Yanai, and K. Hirao, *J. Chem. Phys.* **120**, 8425 (2004).

S. Tokura, T. Tsuneda, and K. Hirao, *J. Theoretical and Computational Chem.* **5**, 925 (2006).

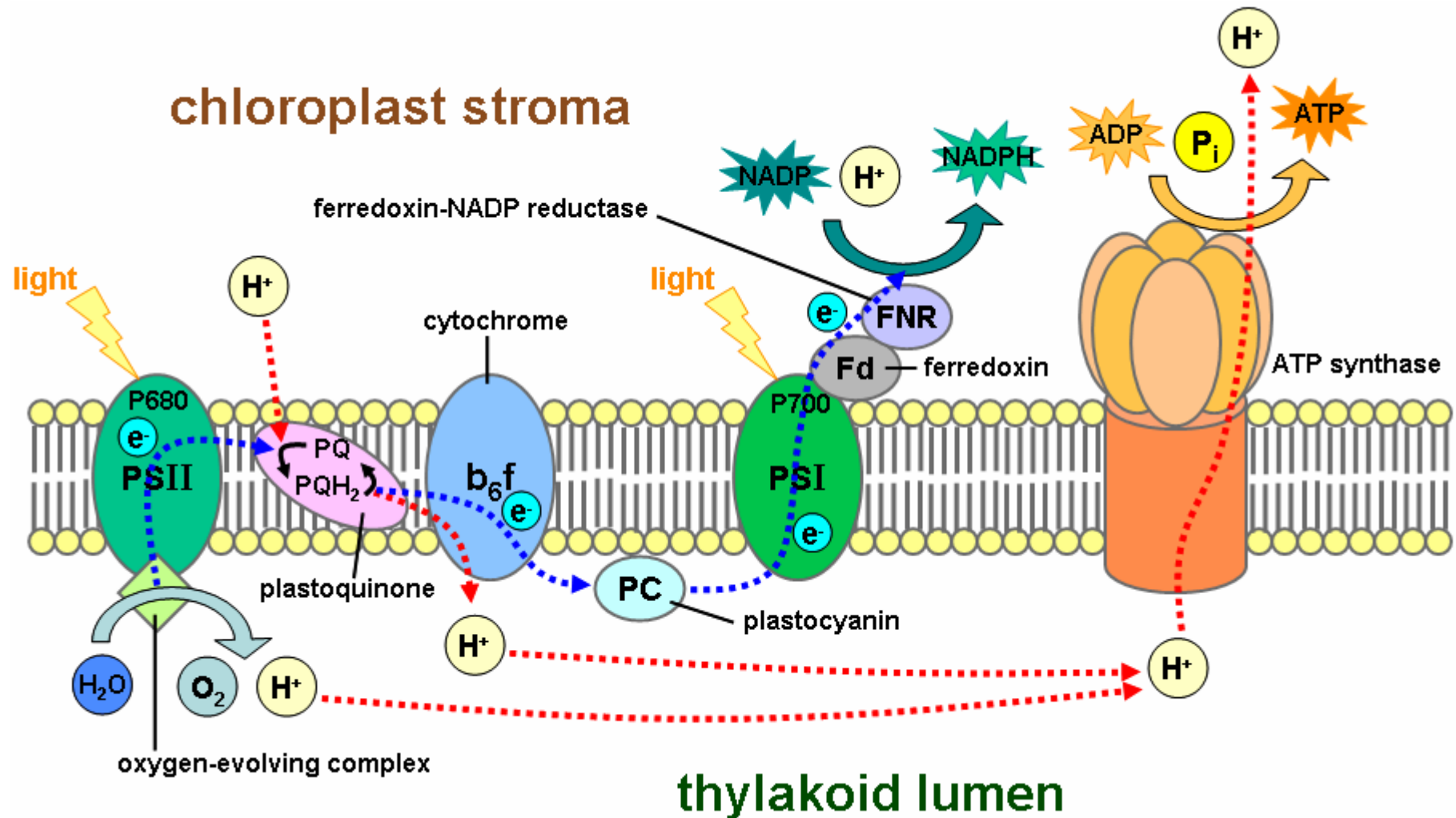
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E. Livshits and R. Baer, *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.* **9**, 2932 (2007).

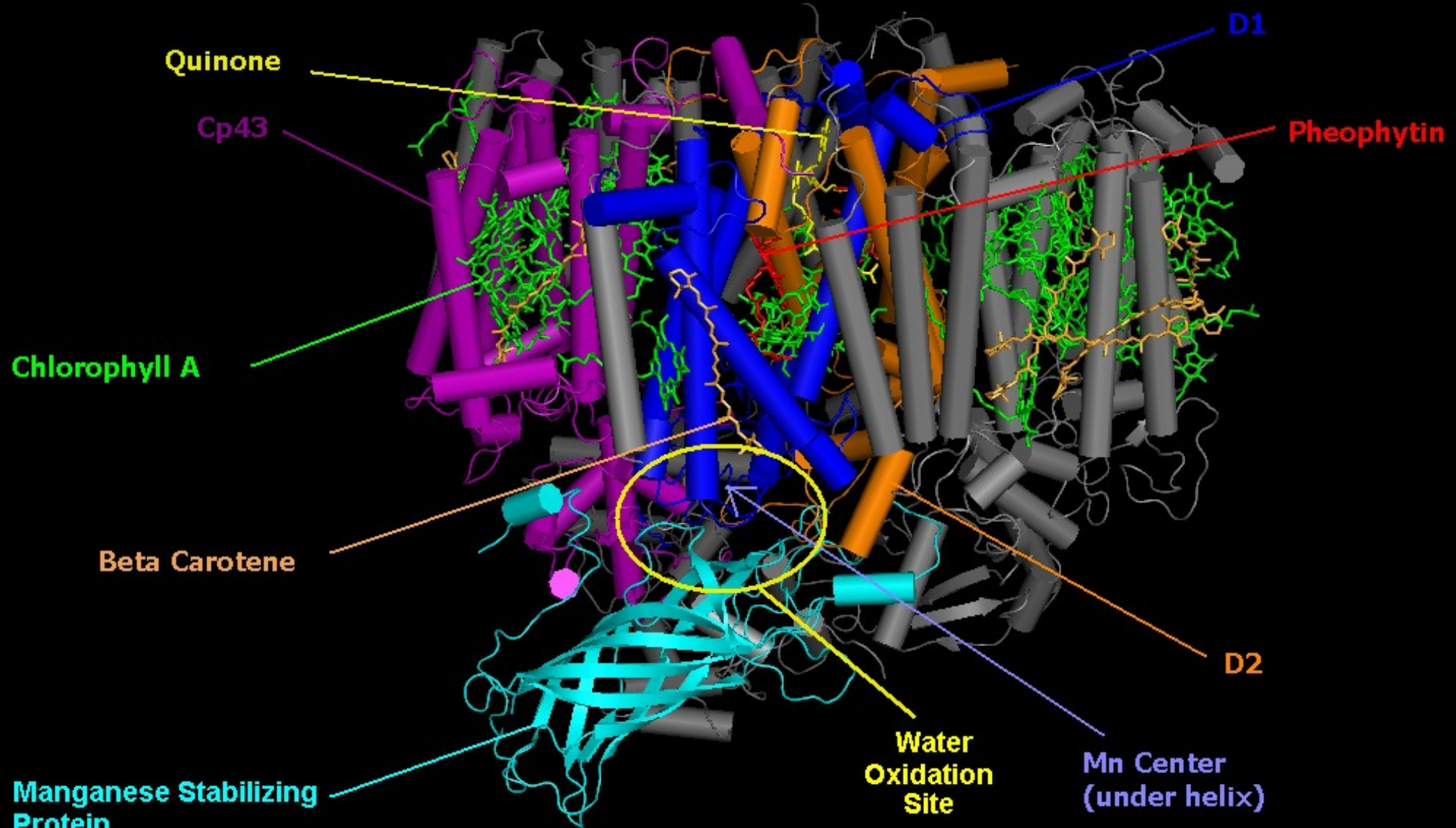
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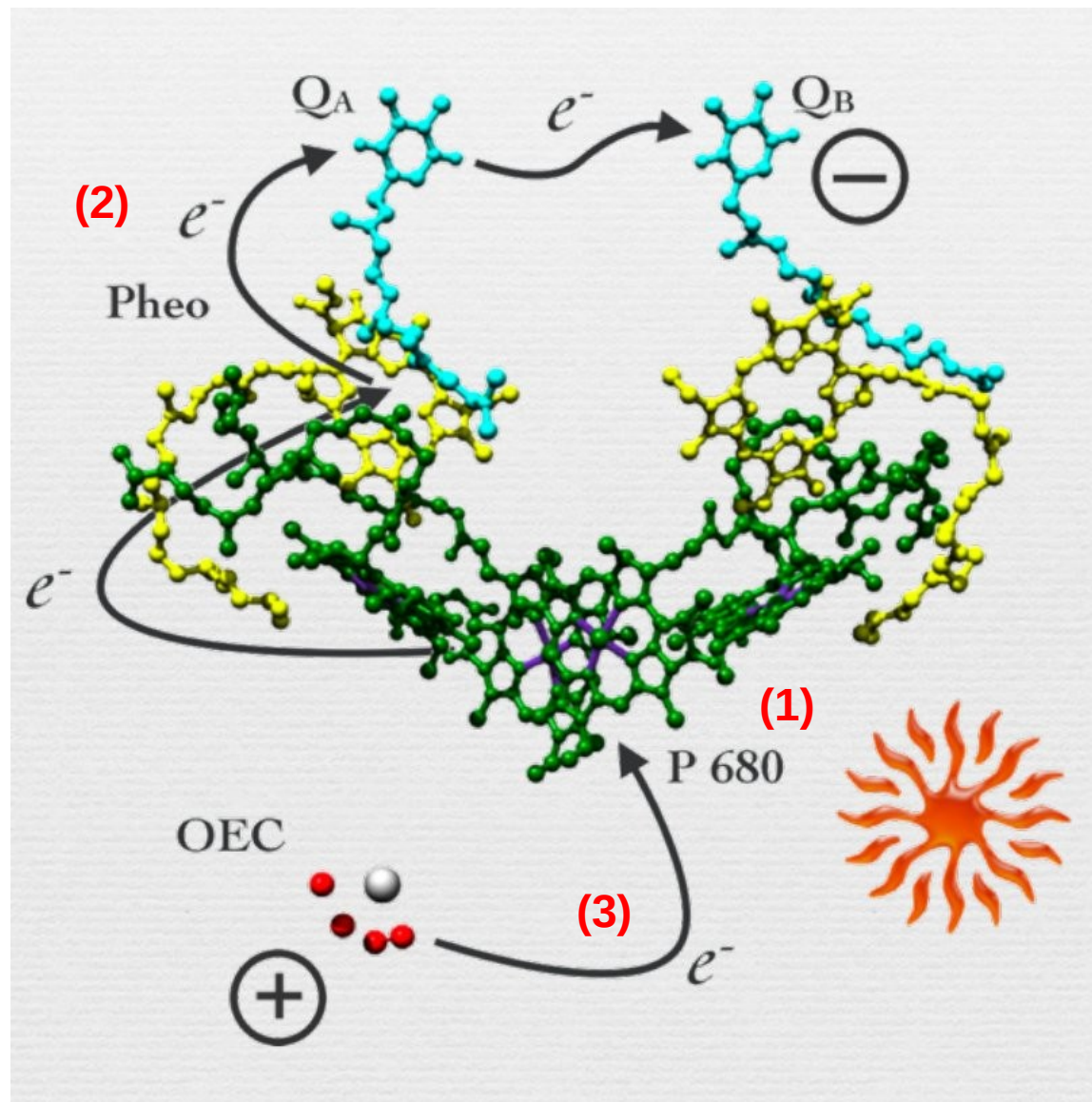


Creates H^+ gradient which is used in the process of making ATP.

PHOTOSYSTEM II: Cyanobacteria photosystem II, Monomer, PDB 2AXT.



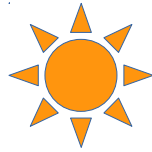
PHOTOSYSTEM II (GREEN PLANTS)



OEC =
oxygen
evolving
complex

Donner – Pigment – Acceptor

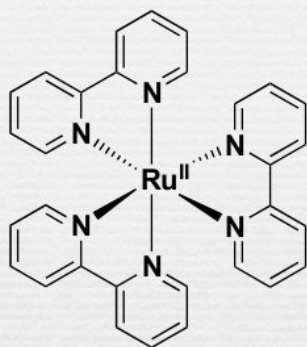
1) Excitation



2) Charge separation



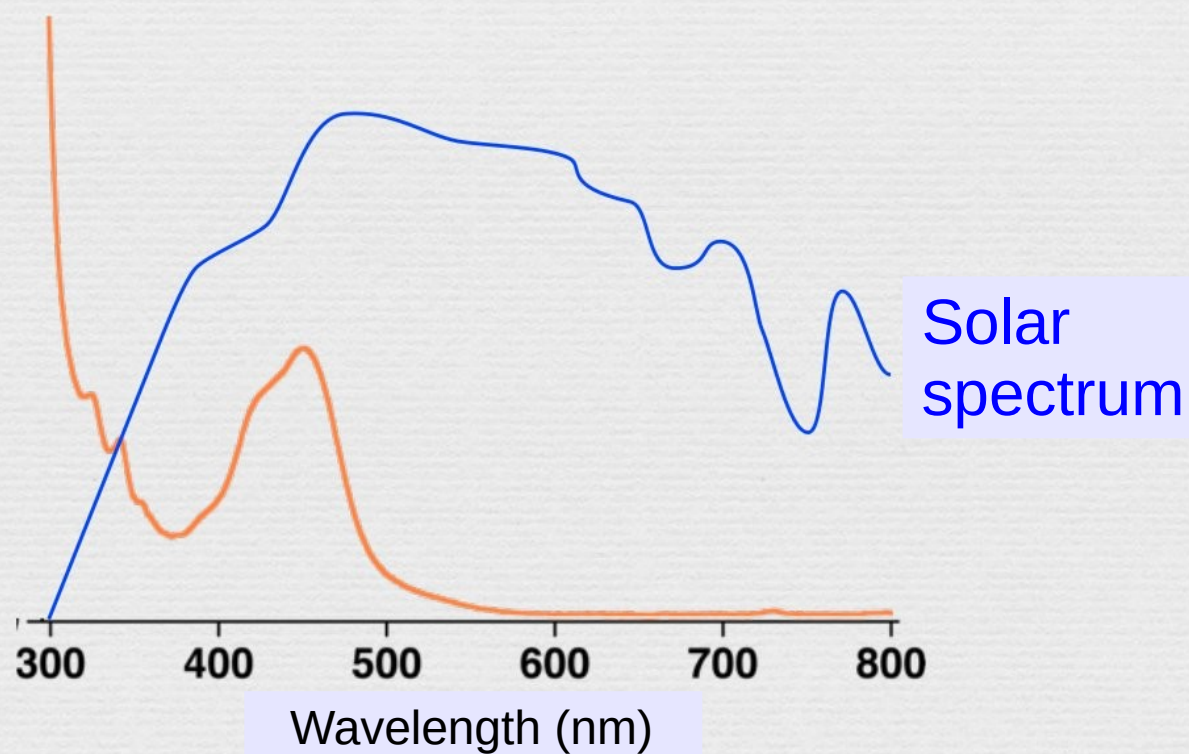
MAGIC OF $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]^{2+}$



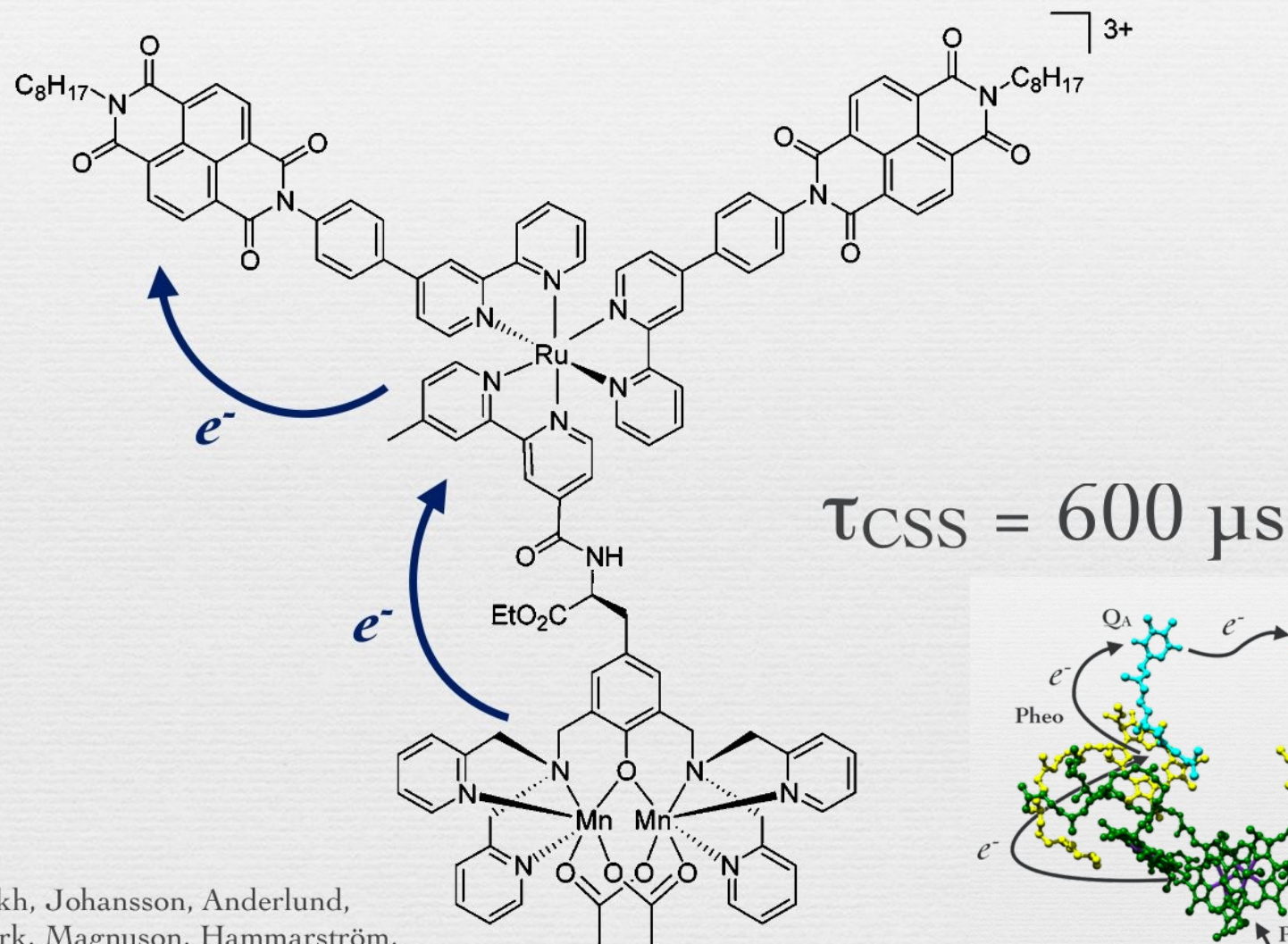
$$\tau \approx 1 \mu\text{s}$$

$$\Phi = 0,06$$

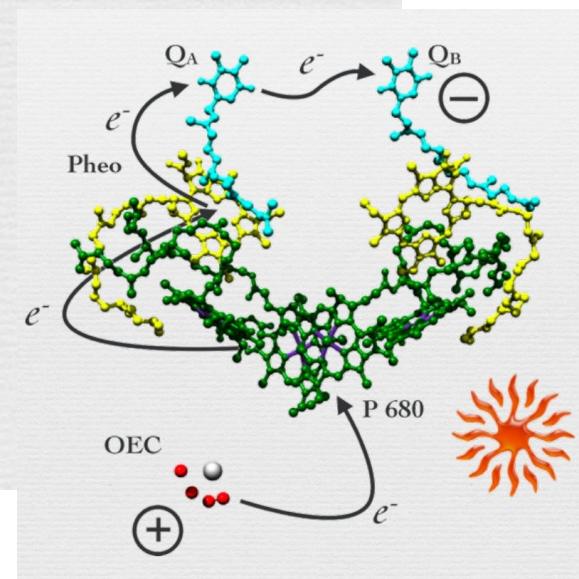
Long-lived excited state
Phosphorescence
Easy charge transfer



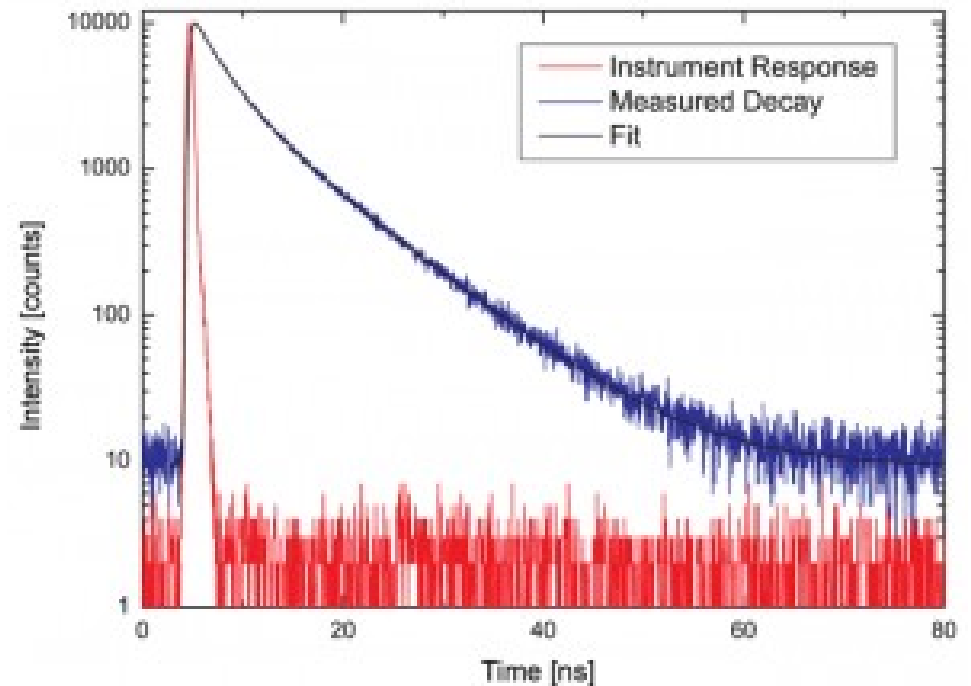
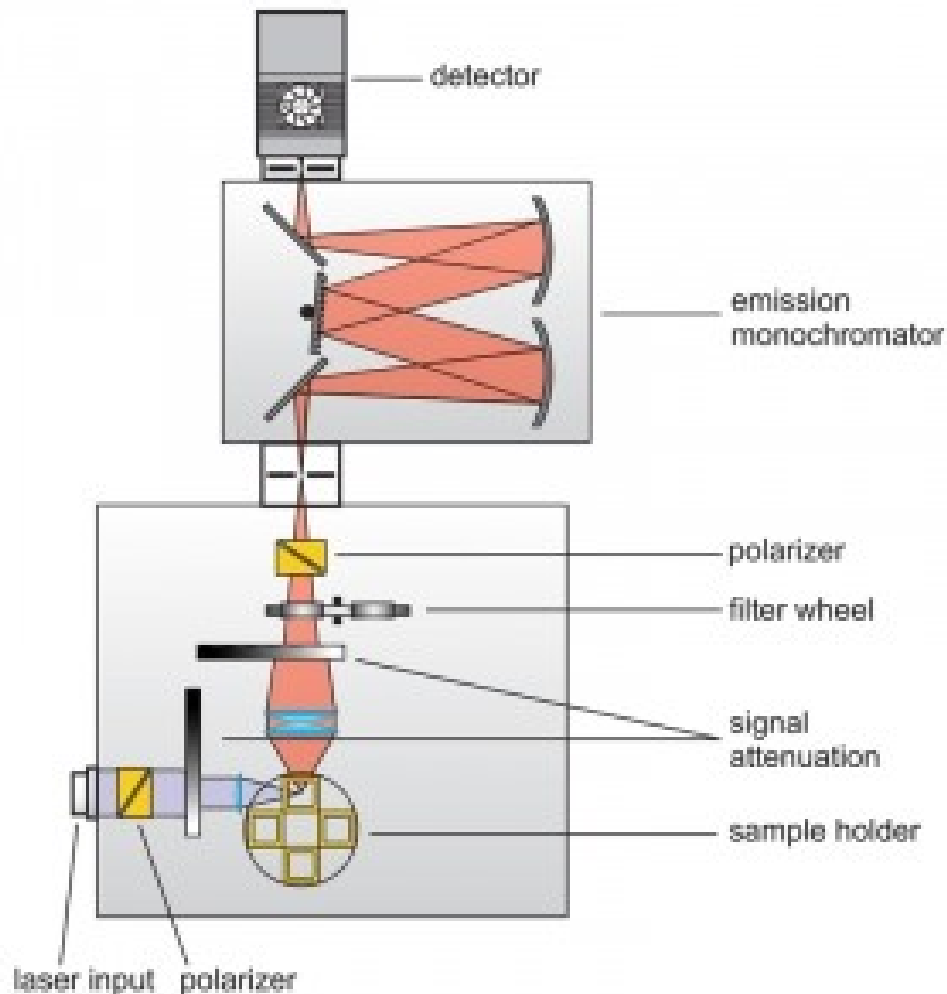
CAN WE ADD "WIRES"? CAN WE MAKE IT LOOK MORE LIKE PS II?



Borgström, Shaikh, Johansson, Anderlund,
Styring, Akermark, Magnuson, Hammarström,
J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2005**, *127*, 17504-17515.



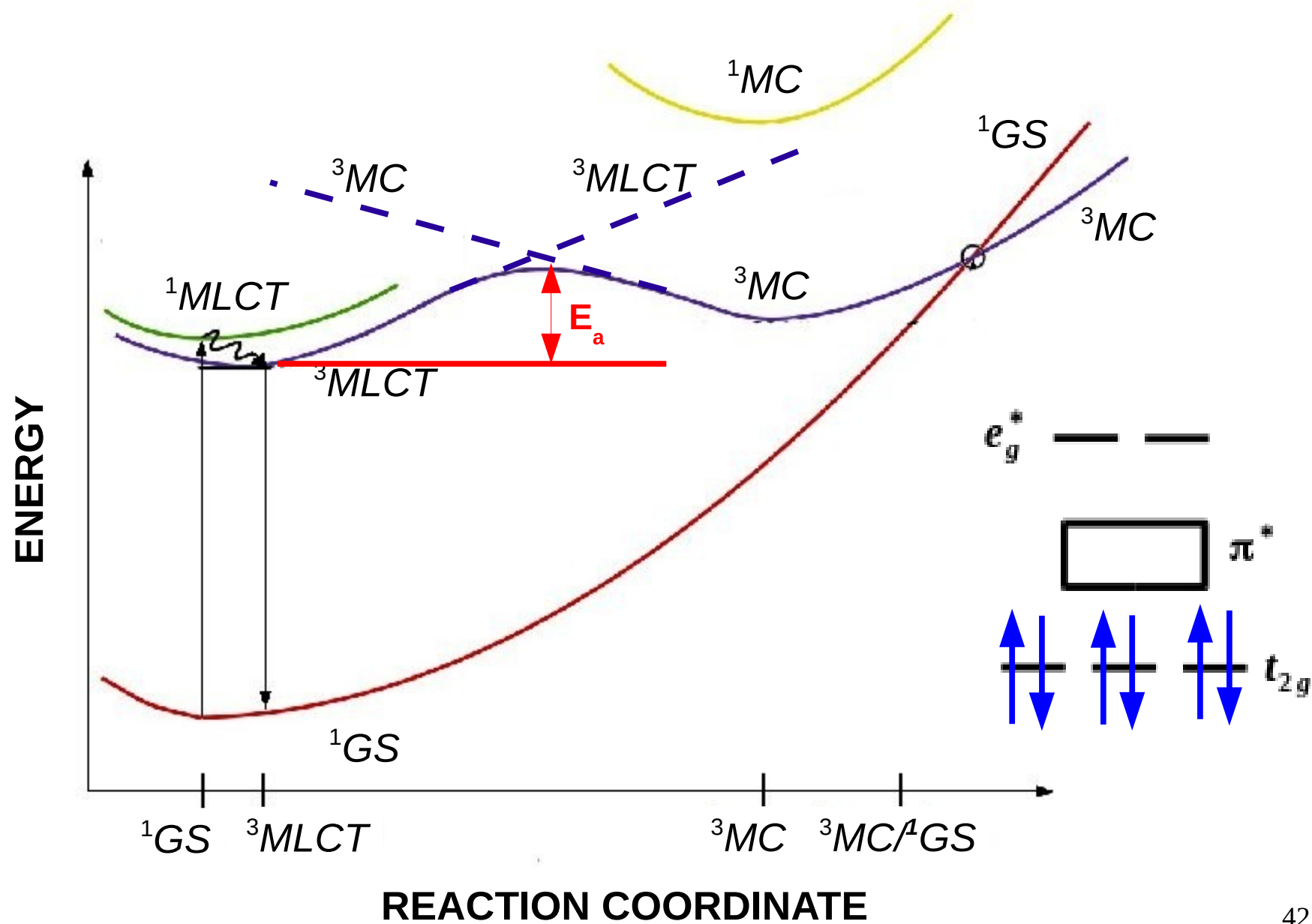
TIME RESOLVED PHOTOLUMINESCENCE



The experiment measures the rate of disappearance of the excited state, either by luminescence *or by other mechanisms such as radiationless relaxation*.

<https://www.picoquant.com/applications/category/life-science/time-resolved-fluorescence>

LUMINESCENCE LIFETIME DEPENDS UPON THE HEIGHT OF A BARRIER



Section “E. Collection of spectroscopic, redox, photochemical, and photophysical data” pp. 145-243 is a gold mine of data on many different Ru(II) polypyridine complexes!!

Coordination Chemistry Reviews, 84 (1988) 85–277

Elsevier Science Publishers B.V., Amsterdam – Printed in The Netherlands

**Ru(II) POLYPYRIDINE COMPLEXES: PHOTOPHYSICS,
PHOTOCHEMISTRY, ELECTROCHEMISTRY,
AND CHEMILUMINESCENCE**

Allows us to extract
an empirical barrier
height: E_{ave}

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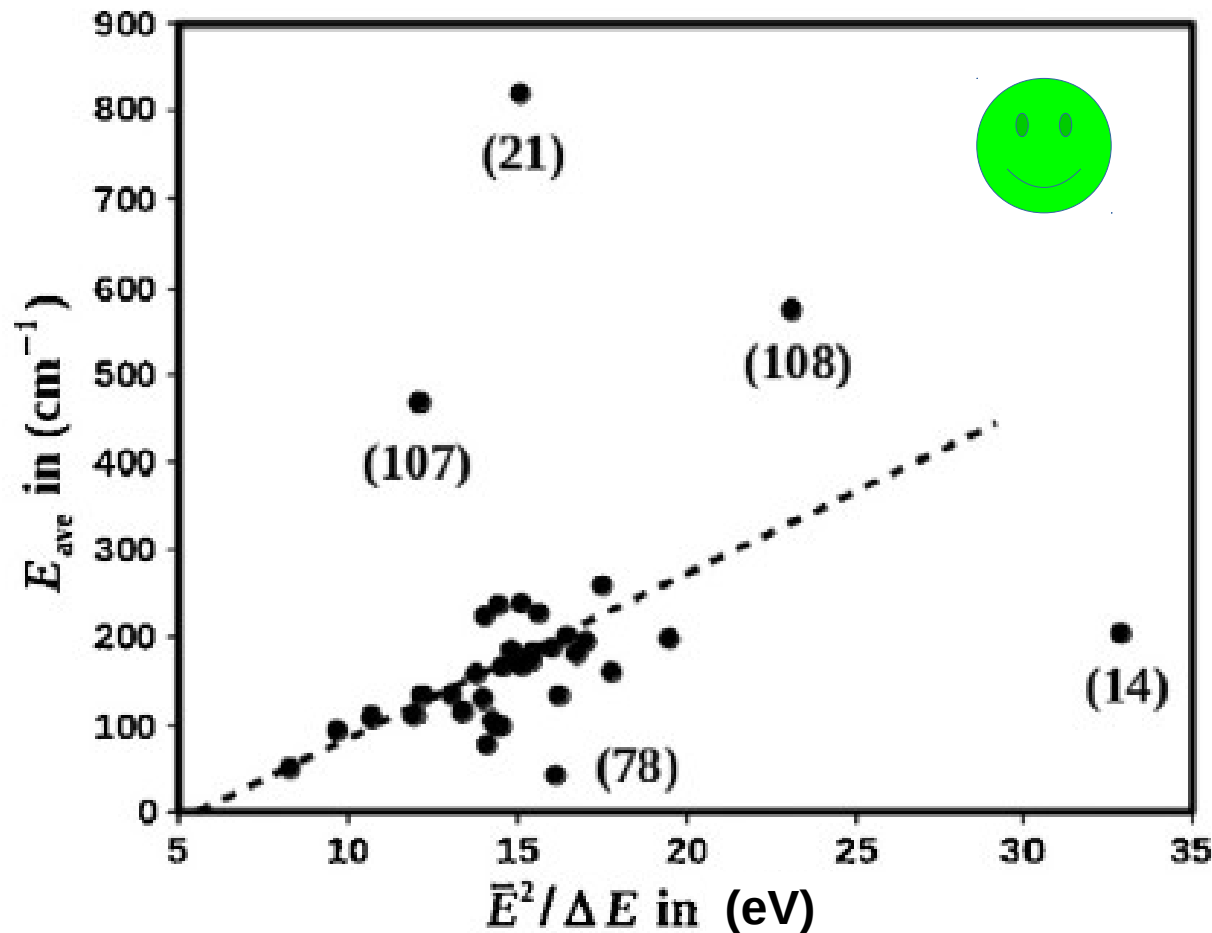
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FINAL LUMINESCENCE INDEX?

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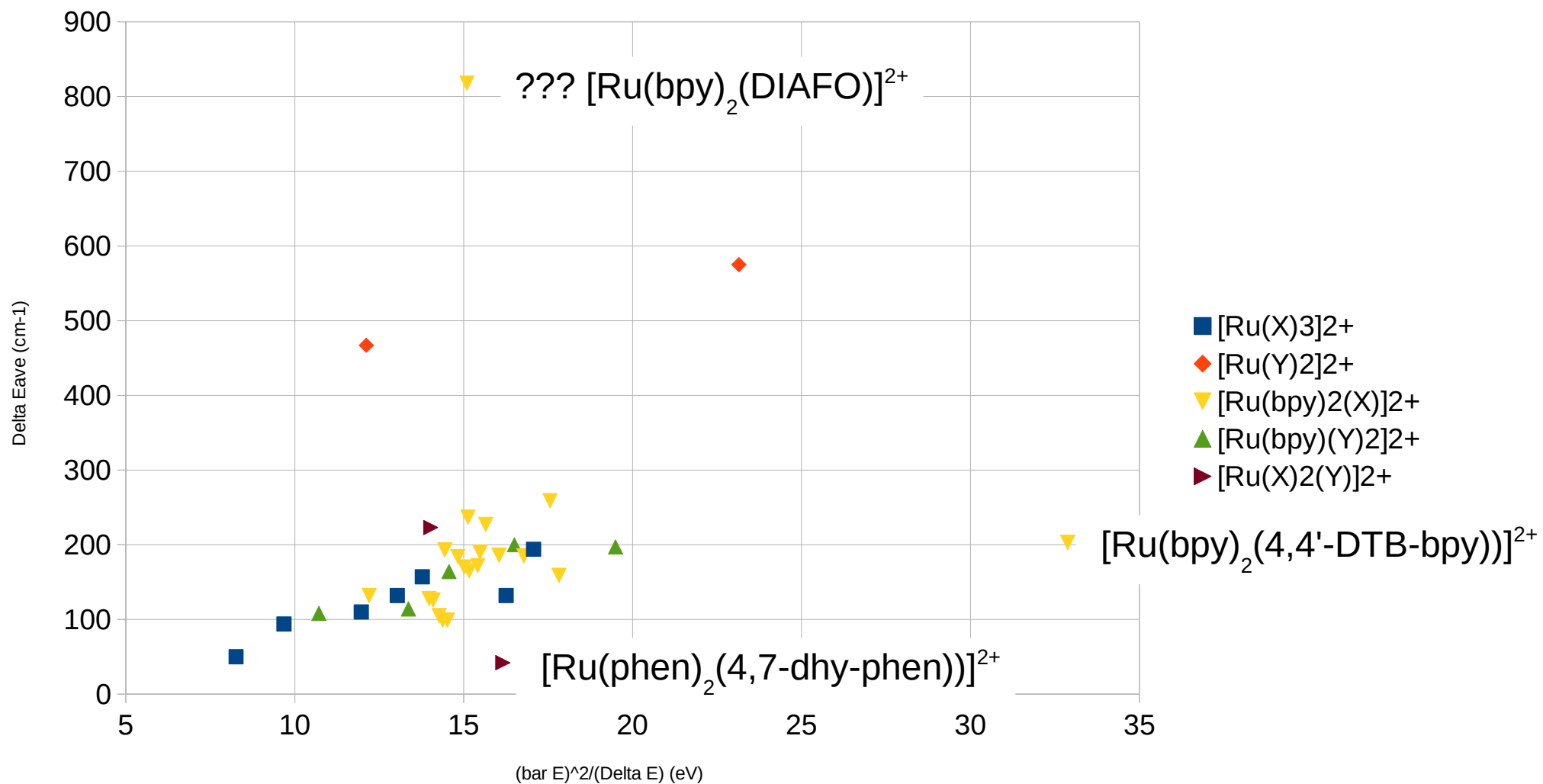


Not perfect, but
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considering all the
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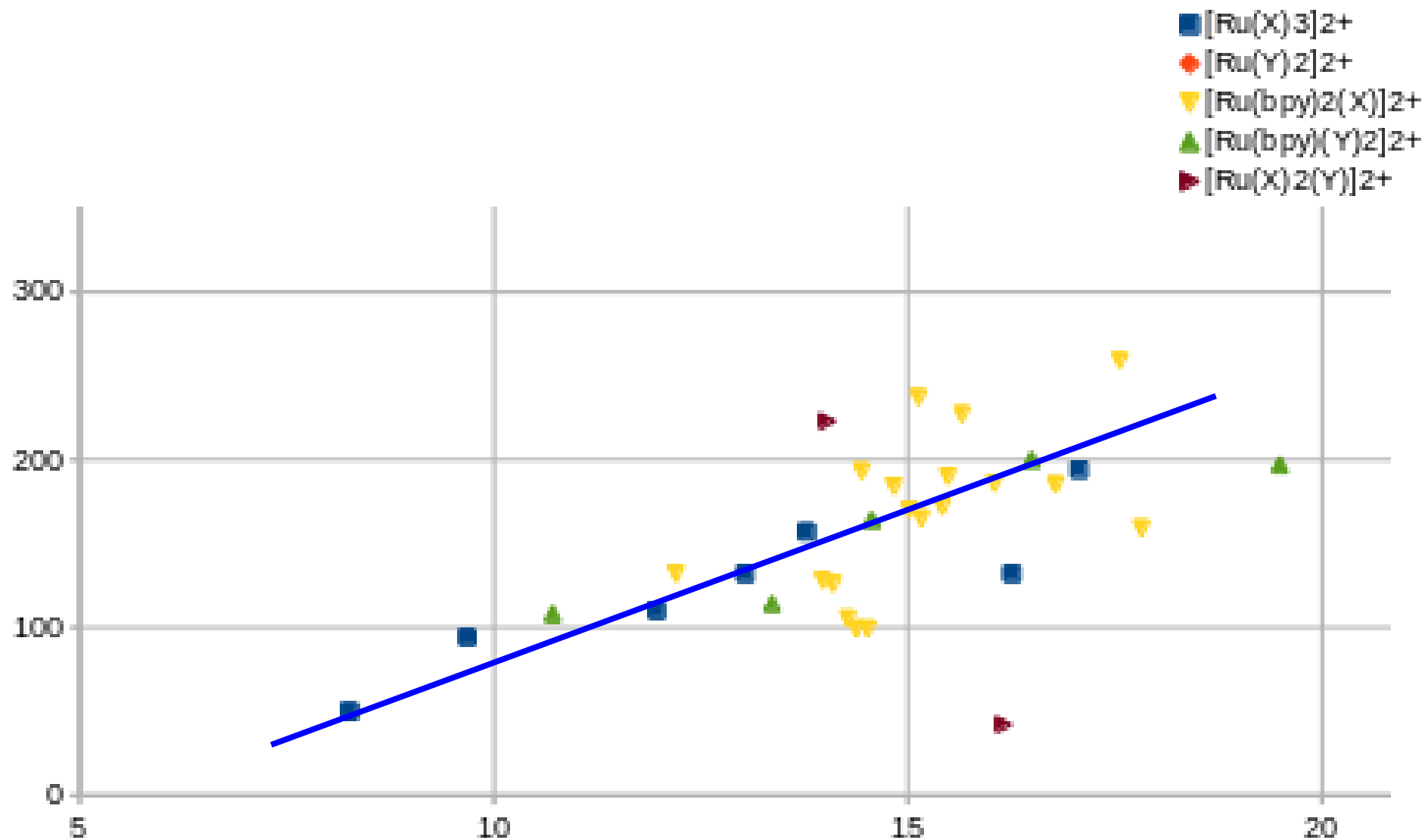
$$\bar{E} = \frac{\epsilon_{e_g^*} + \epsilon_{\pi^*}}{2}$$

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BREAKDOWN BY LIGAND FAMILIES

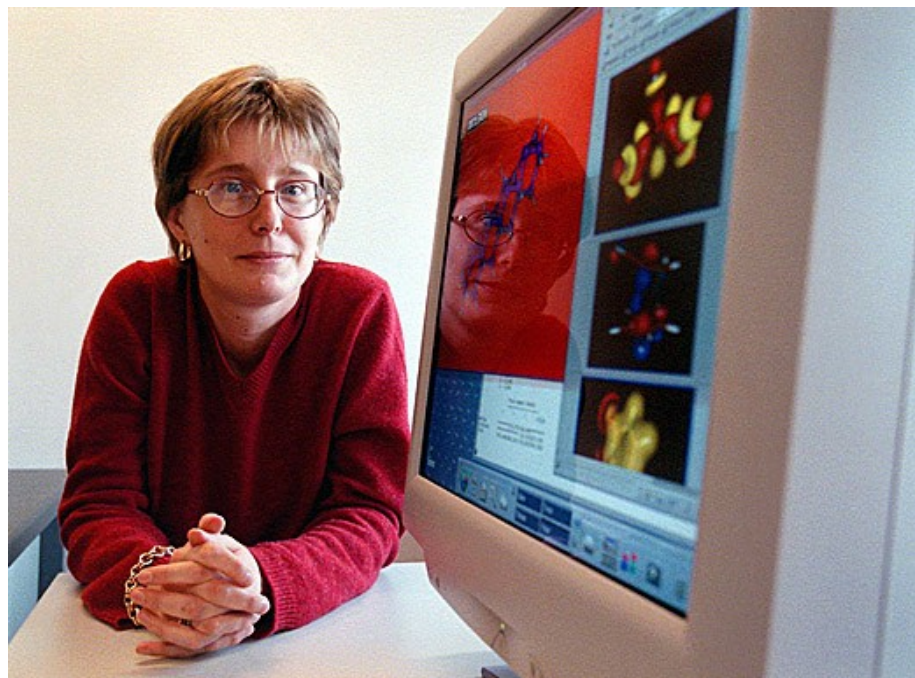


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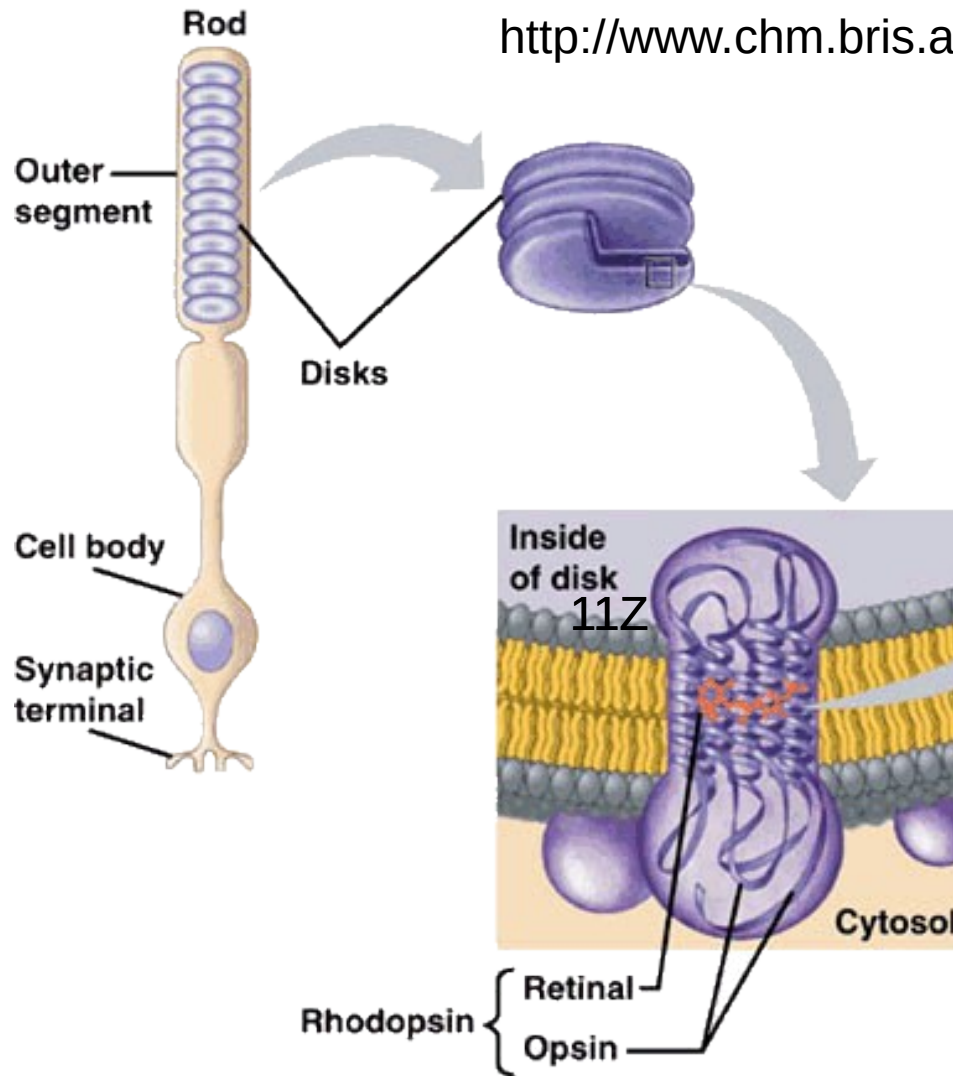


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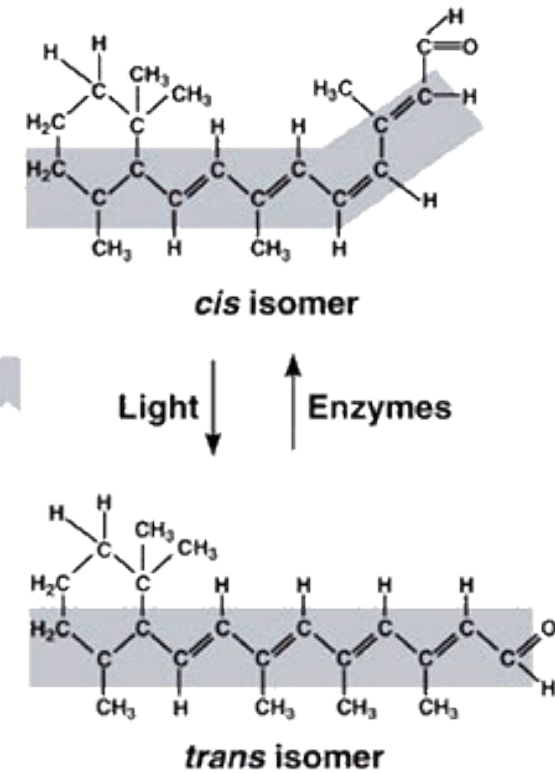
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Elizabeth Taylor



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RETINAL PROTONATED SCHIFF BASE (PSB)

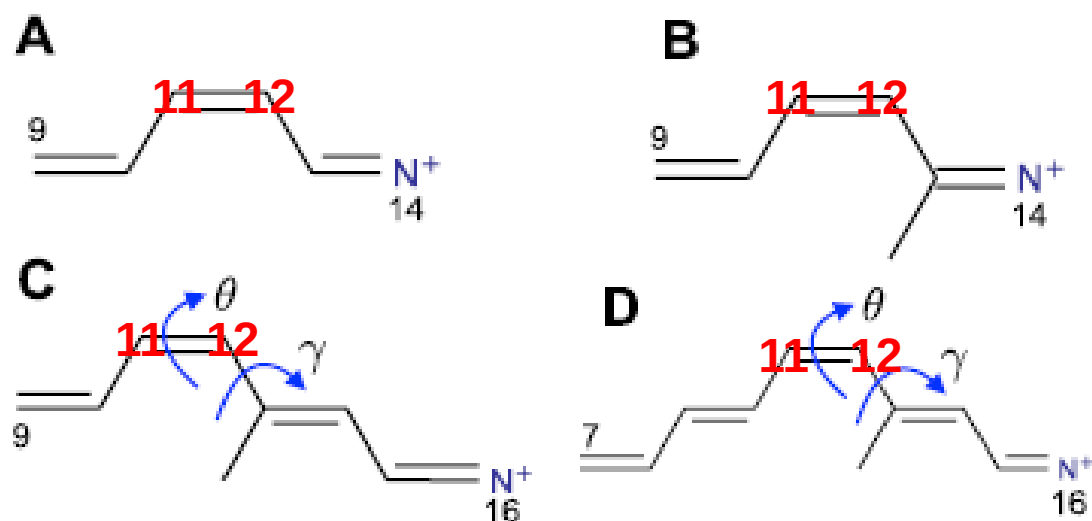
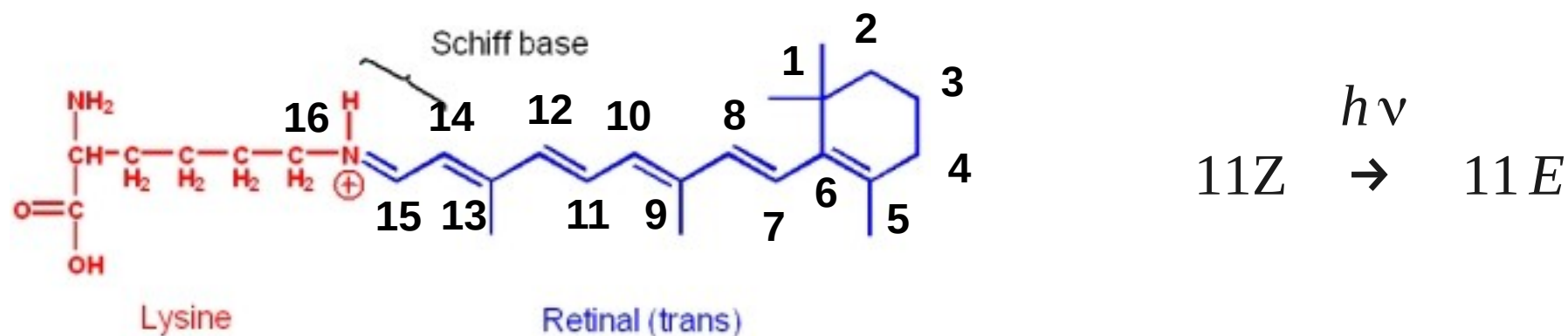
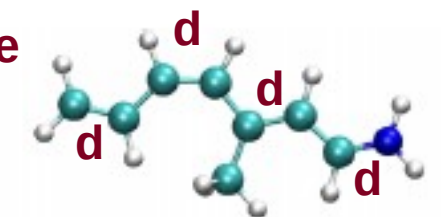


FIG. 2. Model retinal chromophores: **A** PSB3(0), **B** PSB3(1), **C** PSB4(1), and **D** PSB5(1). The naming PSBx(y) denotes the number of double bonds and methyl groups, x and y, respectively. The atom numbering for the full 11-*cis* retinal chromophore is used for all models (see Fig. S3 in the supplementary material¹²), so the *cis* bond is always between C₁₁ and C₁₂. The torsional angles are defined as $\theta = \text{Dih}(\text{C}_{10}-\text{C}_{11}-\text{C}_{12}-\text{C}_{13})$ and $\gamma = 180^\circ - \text{Dih}(\text{C}_{11}-\text{C}_{12}-\text{C}_{13}-\text{C}_{14})$.

d = double bond in ground state



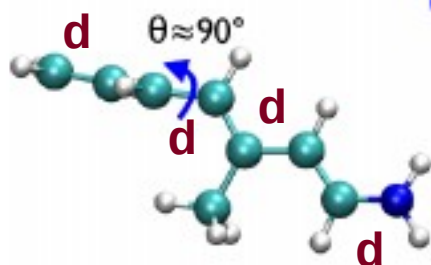
Excited-state relaxation

CASSCF

$$\theta = 93^\circ$$

$$\gamma = 0^\circ$$

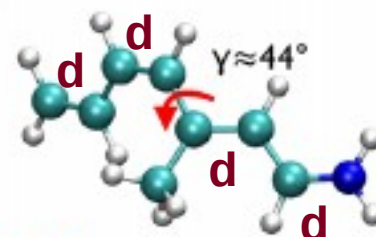
CASSCF
double-bond rotation



Conical intersection

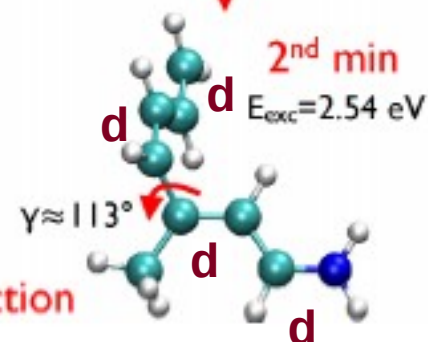
$$E_{\text{exc}} \approx 0.0 \text{ eV}$$

CASPT2
single-bond rotation



1st min

$$E_{\text{exc}} = 2.82 \text{ eV}$$



No conical intersection

FIG. 1. The excited-state out-of-plane minima obtained with CASSCF and CASPT2. The solid arrows indicate MEPs while the dashed (red) arrow indicates the presence of a transition state on the S_1 surface.

CASPT2

$$\theta = -10^\circ$$

$$\gamma = 43.6^\circ$$

B3LYP

CAM-B3LYP

LC-BLYP

$$\theta = -27.4^\circ$$

$$\gamma = 17.7^\circ$$

CASPT2

$$\theta = 8.1^\circ$$

$$\gamma = 112.7^\circ$$

B3LYP

CAM-B3LYP

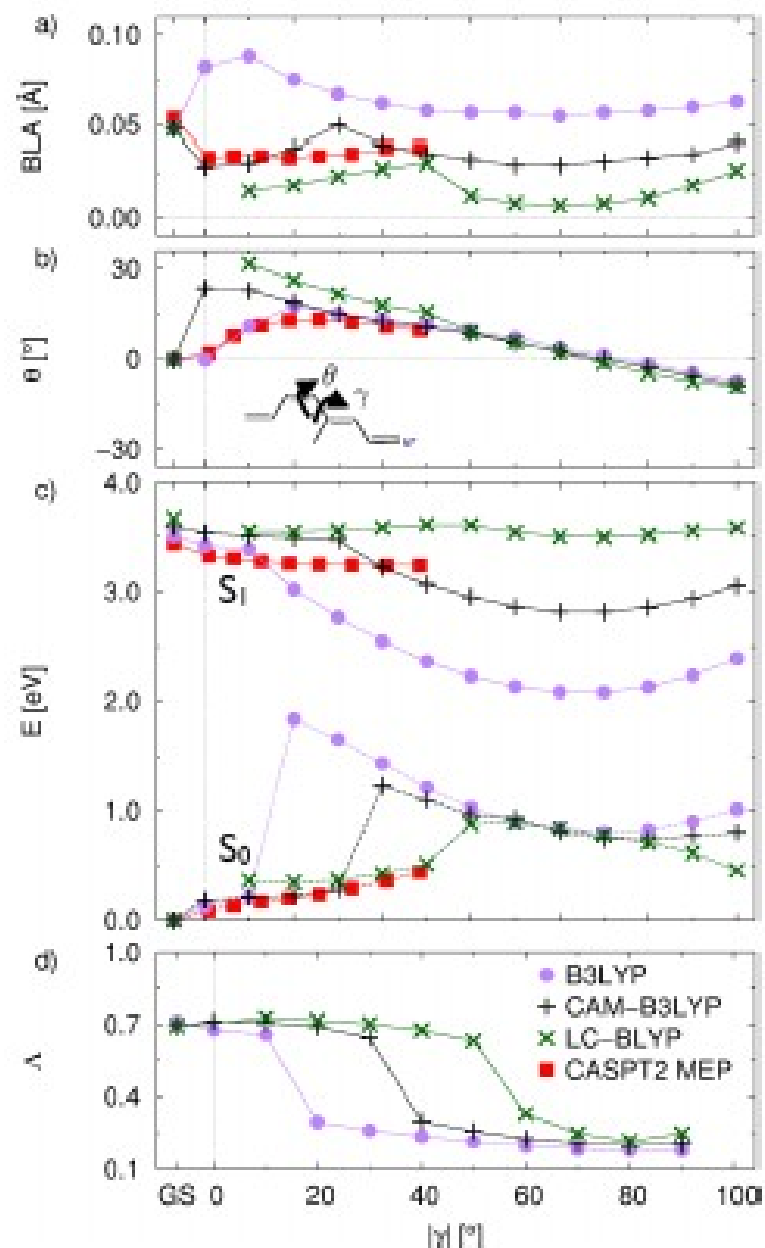
$$\theta = -2.4^\circ \quad \theta = -1.2^\circ$$

$$\gamma = 85.4^\circ \quad \gamma = 85.2^\circ$$

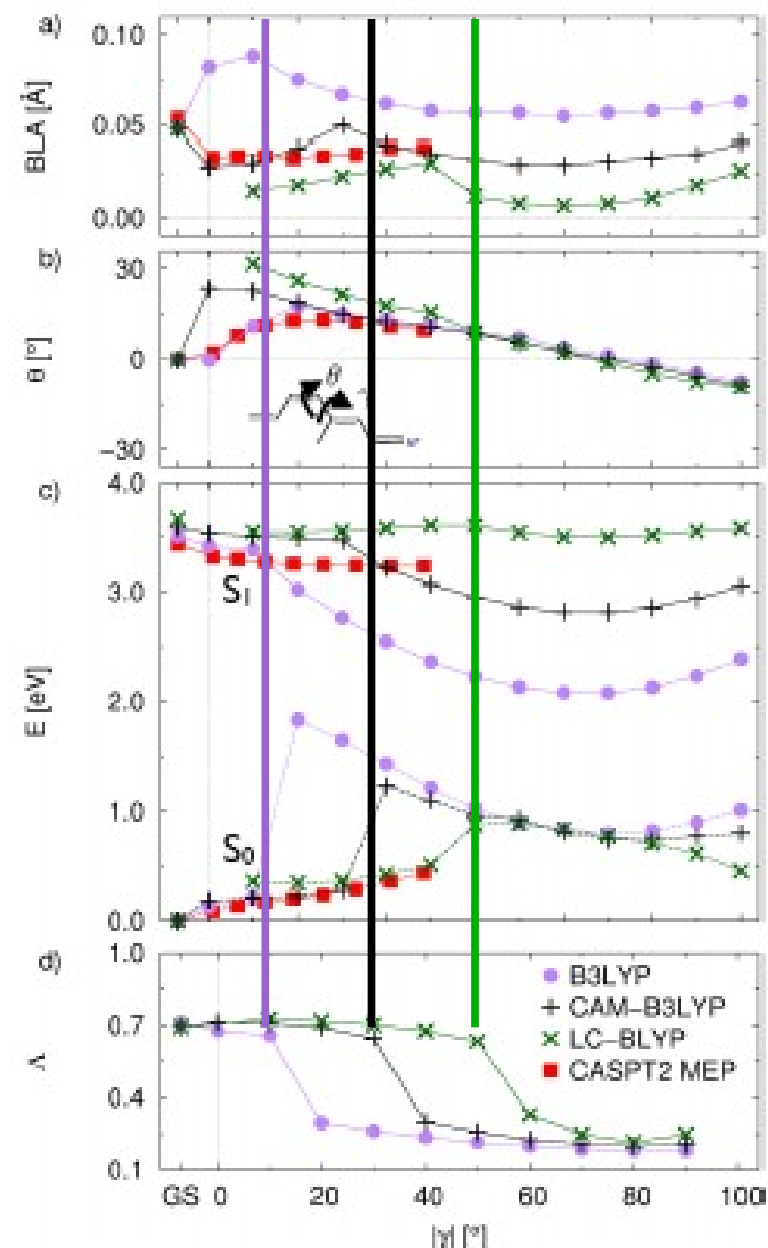
LC-BLYP

$$\theta = -0.2^\circ$$

$$\gamma = 86.8^\circ$$



Scan around
single bond



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"Davydov-Type Excitonic Effects on the Absorption Spectra of Parallel-Stacked and Herringbone
Aggregates of Pentacene: Time-Dependent Density-Functional Theory and Time-Dependent
Density-Functional Tight Binding", *J. Chem. Phys.* **149**, 134111 (2018)

Spectral effects seen in dye aggregates:

J-aggregates (Jelly/Scheibe) spectrum shifts to lower energies and new narrow peaks appear.

H-aggregates (hypsochromic) spectrum shifts to higher energies.

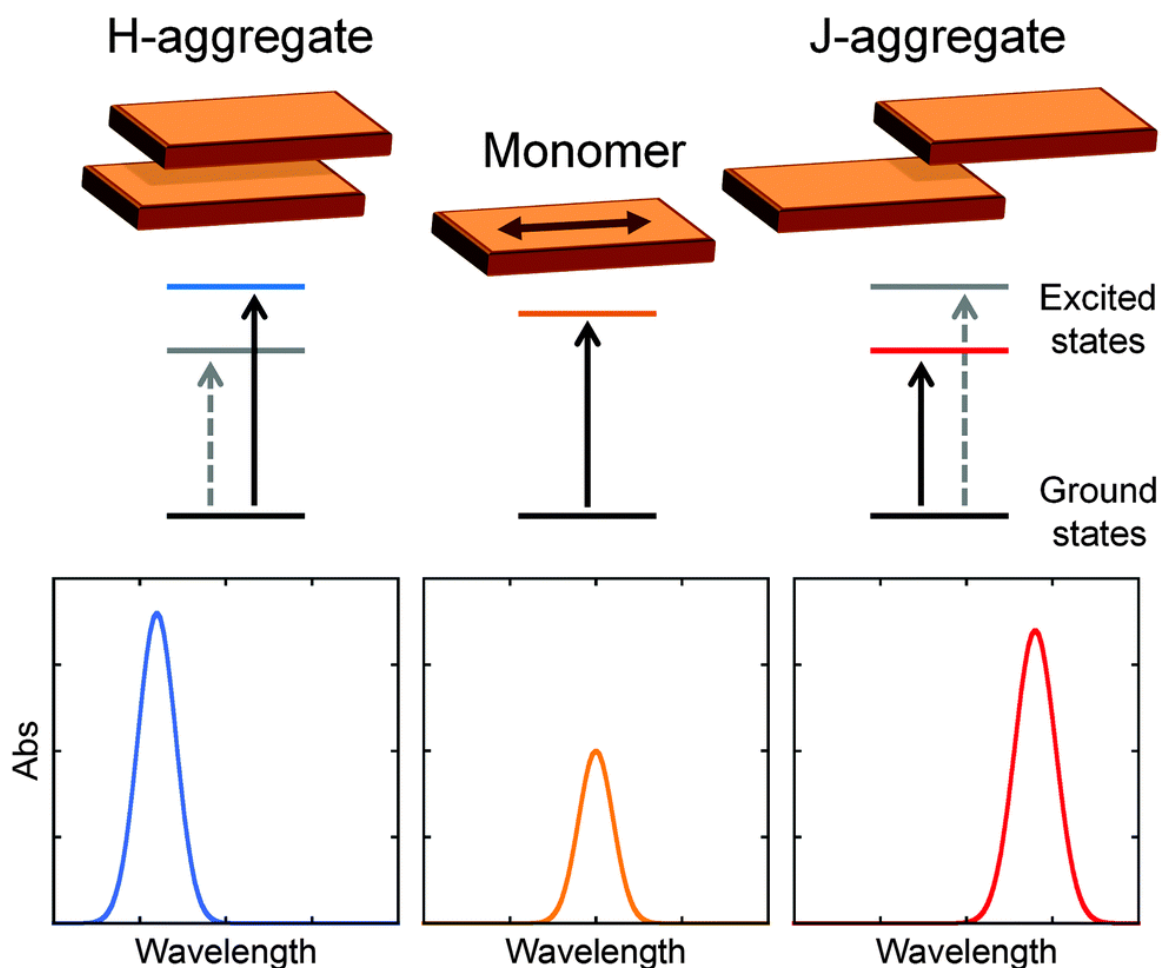
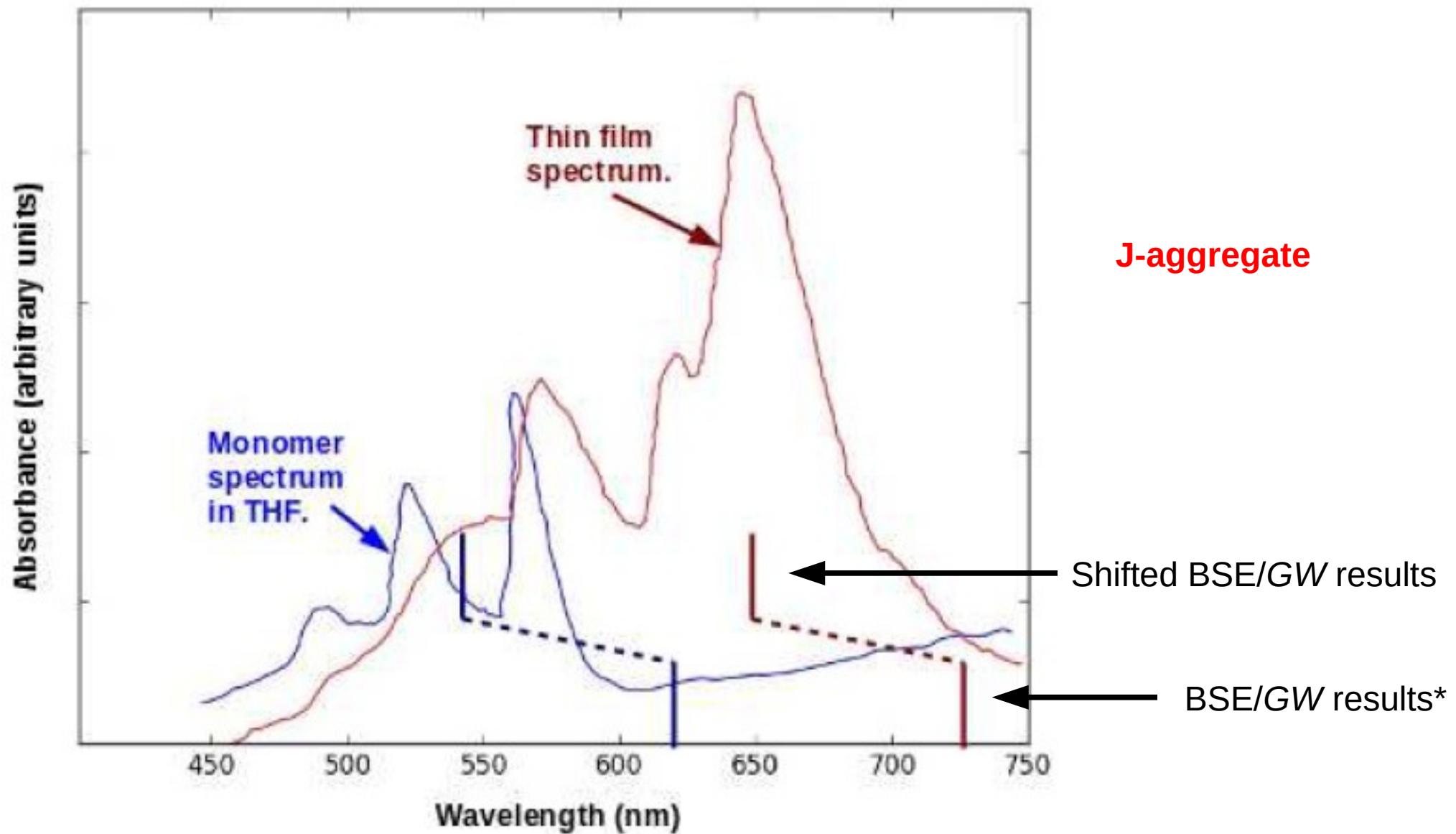


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Davydov Splitting in Pentacene



* P. Cudazzo, F. Sottile, A. Rubio, and M. Gatti, "Topical Review: Exciton dispersion in molecular Solids," *J. Phys. Condens. Matter* **27**, 113204 (2015).



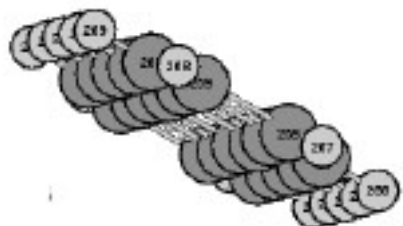
Michael Kasha
(1920-2013)

1. Historical theory (1960s). Necessarily very approximate!
2. Assumes a van der Waals (vdW) dimer.
3. Perturbative. Only zero and first order.
4. Point-dipole point-dipole approximation.



$$\Psi_1^0 \rightarrow \Psi_1^I \quad (1)$$

$$\omega = E_1^I - E_1^0 \quad (2)$$



$$\Psi_2^0 \rightarrow \Psi_2^I \quad (3)$$

$$\omega = E_1^I - E_1^0 \quad (4)$$

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_1 + \hat{H}_2 + \hat{V}_{12} \quad (5)$$

$$\Psi_0 = \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \quad (6)$$

$$\Psi_I = C_1 \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 + C_2 \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I \quad (7)$$

* [KRE65] M. Kasha, H.R. Rawls, and A. El Bayoumi, "The exciton model in molecular Spectroscopy", *Pure Appl. Chem.* **11**, 371 (1965).

Ground-State Energy

$$E_0 = \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 | \hat{H} | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_1 + \hat{H}_2 + \hat{V}_{12} \quad (2)$$

$$E_0 = \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 | \hat{H}_1 | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \rangle + \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 | \hat{H}_2 | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \rangle + \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 | \hat{V}_{12} | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \rangle \quad (3)$$

$$E_0 = \langle \Psi_1^0 | \hat{H}_1 | \Psi_1^0 \rangle \langle \Psi_2^0 | \Psi_2^0 \rangle + \langle \Psi_1^0 | \Psi_1^0 \rangle \langle \Psi_2^0 | \hat{H}_2 | \Psi_2^0 \rangle + \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 | \hat{V}_{12} | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \rangle \quad (4)$$

$$E_0 = E_1^0 + E_2^0 + \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 | \hat{V}_{12} | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \rangle \quad (5)$$

$$E_0 = E_1^0 + E_2^0 + E_{\text{vdW}}^0 \quad (6)$$

Excited-State Energy

$$\Psi_I = C_1 \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 + C_2 \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{pmatrix} = E^I \begin{pmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$A = \langle \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 | \hat{H} | \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \rangle = \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I | \hat{H} | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I \rangle \quad (3)$$

$$B = \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I | \hat{H} | \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \rangle = \langle \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 | \hat{H} | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I \rangle \quad (4)$$

$$\Psi_{\pm}^I = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \pm \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I) \quad (5)$$

$$E_{\pm}^I = A \pm B \quad (6)$$

Exciton Splitting

$$A = \langle \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 | \hat{H} | \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$B = \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I | \hat{H} | \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_1 + \hat{H}_2 + \hat{V}_{12} \quad (3)$$

$$A = E_1^I + E_2^0 + \langle \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 | \hat{V}_{12} | \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \rangle = E_1^I + E_2^0 + E_{\text{vdW}}^I \quad (4)$$

$$B = \langle \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I | \hat{V}_{12} | \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \rangle = E_{\text{exciton splitting}} \quad (5)$$

$$E_{\pm}^I = E_1^I + E_2^0 + E_{\text{vdW}}^I \pm E_{\text{exciton splitting}} \quad (6)$$

$$\omega_{\pm}^I = E_{\pm}^I - E^0 = \omega_1^0 + (E_{\text{vdW}}^I - E_{\text{vdW}}^0) \pm E_{\text{exciton splitting}} \quad (7)$$

Transition Moments

$$\vec{\mu}^{I0} = \langle \Psi^I | \vec{r} | \Psi^0 \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$\vec{\mu}_{\pm}^{I0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \langle \Psi_1^I \Psi_2^0 \pm \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^I | \vec{r} | \Psi_1^0 \Psi_2^0 \rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\vec{\mu}_{\pm}^{I0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\vec{\mu}_1^{I0} \pm \vec{\mu}_2^{I0}) \quad (3)$$

$$f_{\pm}^I = \frac{\omega_{\pm}^I}{3} |\vec{\mu}_1^{I0} \pm \vec{\mu}_2^{I0}|^2 \quad (4)$$

Example: Parallel stacking $\vec{\mu}_{1/2} \perp \vec{r}$ (5)

$$f_+^I = \frac{4}{3} \omega_1^I |\vec{\mu}_1^{I0}|^2 \quad (6)$$

$$f_-^I = 0 \quad (7)$$

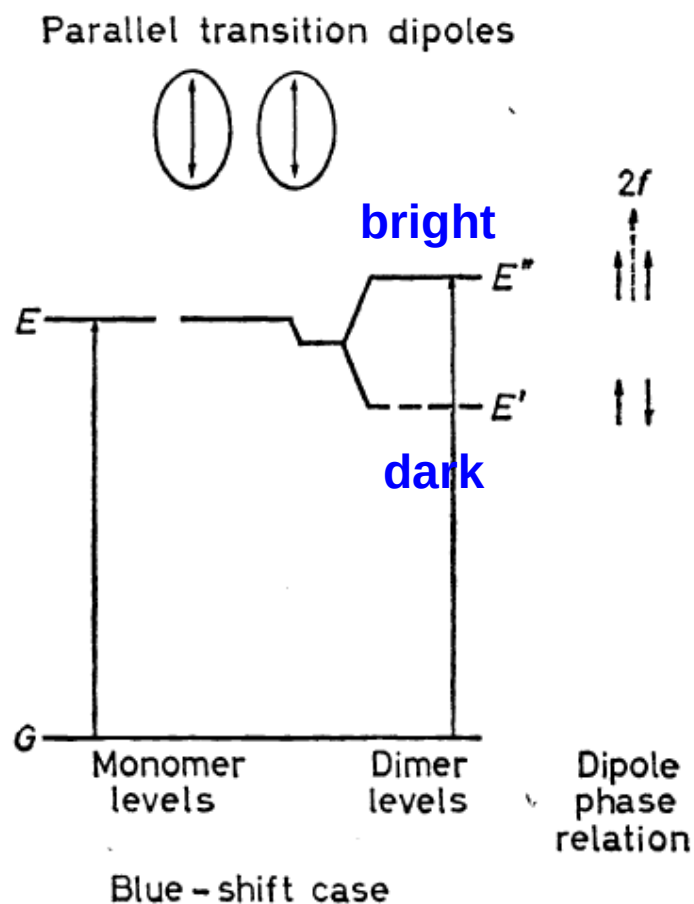
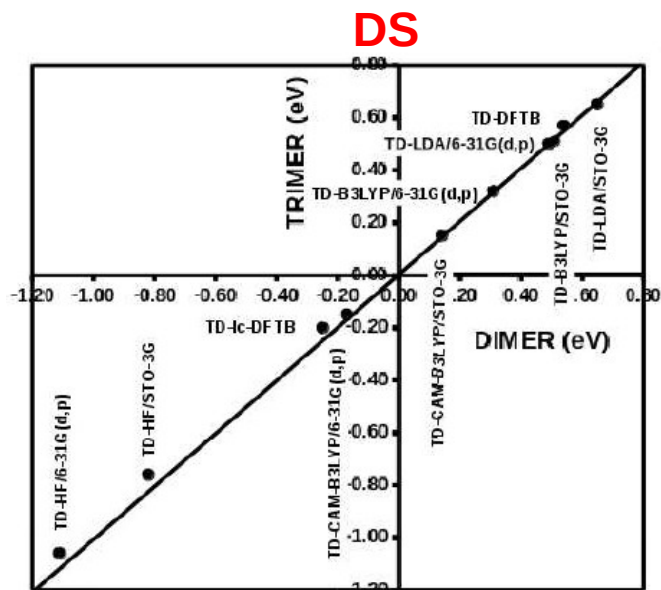
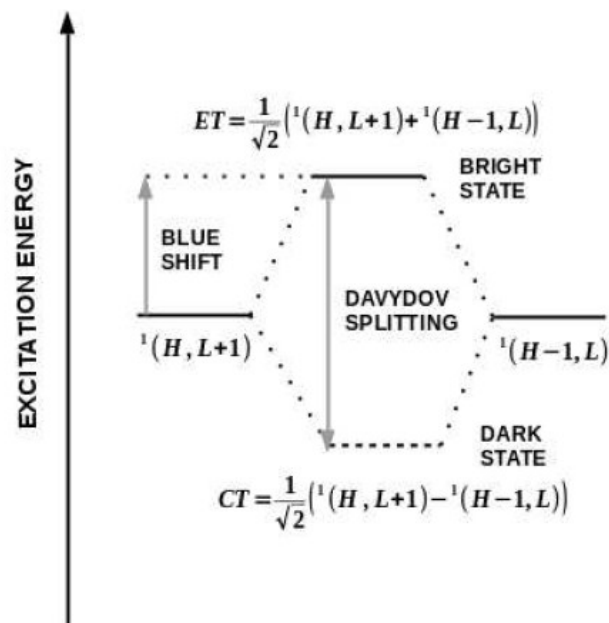
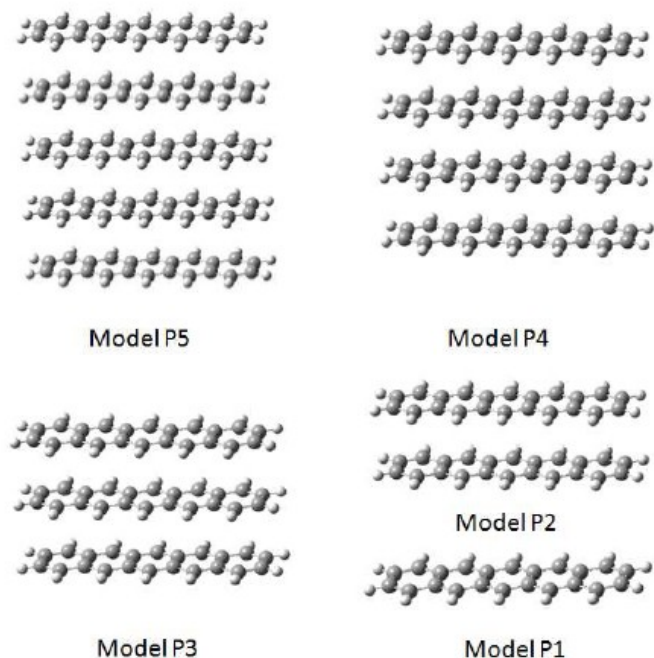


Fig. 1. Ref. [KRE65]

We can apply this to stacked pentacene!!

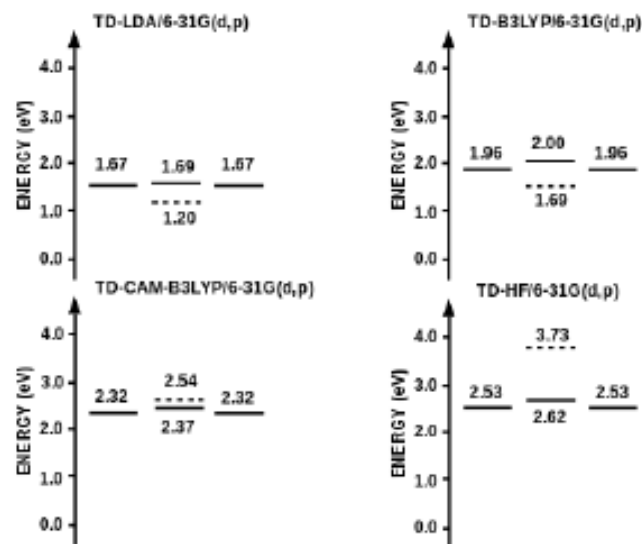
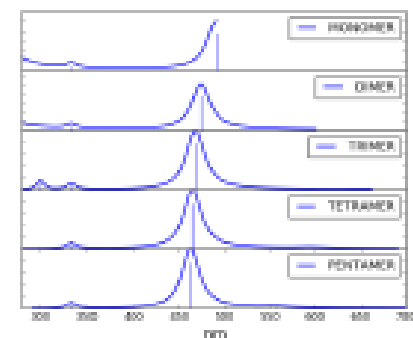
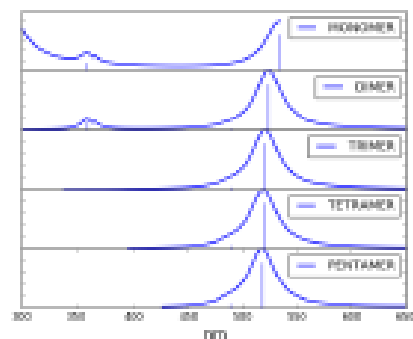
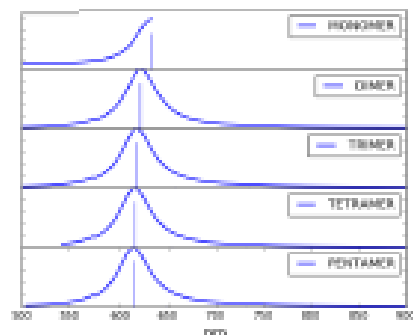
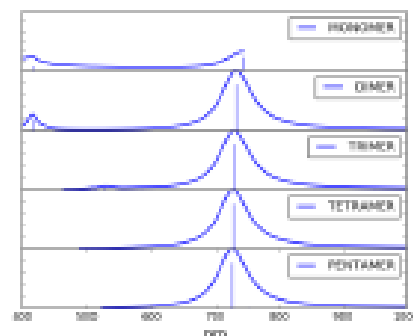


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MIXED QUANTUM/CLASSICAL DYNAMICS

Electrons treated quantum mechanically.
Nuclei are treated classically.

Electrons :

$$\hat{H}_{elec}(r; R(t)) \Psi^{elec}(r, t) = i \hbar \frac{d}{dt} \Psi^{elec}(r, t)$$

Nuclei :

Ehrenfest dynamics:

$$M \ddot{R} = -\nabla \langle \Psi^{elec}(t) | V(R) | \Psi^{elec}(t) \rangle$$

Surface hopping:

$$M \ddot{R} = -\nabla V_m(R)$$

Ehrenfest dynamics moves on an average PES which is physically incorrect and lacks microscopic reversability.

Surface hopping has microscopic reversability and can, in principle, produce relative yields for competing products in a chemical reaction, but is much more difficult to implement and carry out.

SURFACE HOPPING

$$\hat{H}_{elec}(r; R(t)) \Psi^{elec}(r, t) = i \hbar \frac{d}{dt} \Psi^{elec}(r, t)$$

Expand the time-dependent wave function in terms of the solutions of the time-independent Schrödinger equation.

$$\hat{H}_{elec}(r; R(t)) \Psi_m^{elec}(r; R(t)) = E_m(R(t)) \Psi_m^{elec}(r; R(t))$$

$$\Psi^{elec}(r, t) = \sum_m \Psi_m^{elec}(r; R(t)) C_m(t)$$

1st order equation.

$$\dot{C}_m(t) = -i E_m(t) C_m(t) / \hbar - \sum_n \langle m | \frac{dR}{dt} | n \rangle C_n(t)$$

Probability of finding the system on surface m is

$$P_m(t) = |C_m(t)|^2$$

TULLY'S FEWEST SWITCHES SURFACE HOPPING (FSSH)

Density matrix

$$P_{m,n}(t) = C_m(t) C_n^*(t)$$

Probability of jumping from surface m to surface n in the interval $(t, t+\Delta t)$

$$g_{m \rightarrow n}(t, \Delta t) = \frac{\dot{P}_{m,n}(t) \Delta t}{P_{m,m}} = \frac{2 \Re(\dot{C}_m(t) C_n^*(t)) \Delta t}{P_{m,m}}$$

Generate a random number ξ in $(0,1)$ and compare

If $\xi < g_{m \rightarrow n}(t, \Delta t)$, then jump and set $C_n(t) = 1$

Otherwise continue on surface m

J.C. Tully, *J. Chem. Phys.* **93**, 1061 (1990); S. Hammes-Schiffer and J.C. Tully, *J. Chem. Phys.* **101**, 4657 (1994).

DETAILS

The hopping probability is 100% where two surfaces intersect.

After a hop, nuclear kinetic energies need to be readjusted to conserve energy.

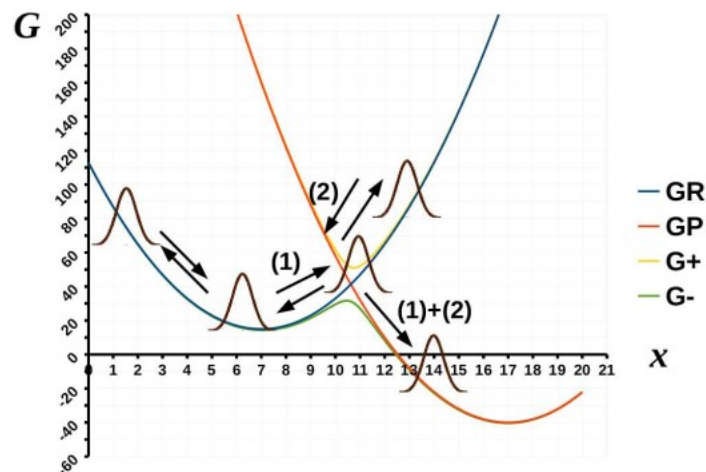
The electronic numerical integration needs to be finer than the numerical integration for the nuclei.

NOT A DETAIL

It is important not to read too much meaning into a single FSSH trajectories. Only *ensemble averages* over swarms of trajectories are physical.

DECOHERENCE CORRECTION

Roughly: The classical part of the calculation should collapse the wave function so that the nuclei are moving on only one PES once we are outside of the crossing region. Otherwise the method is *overcoherent*.



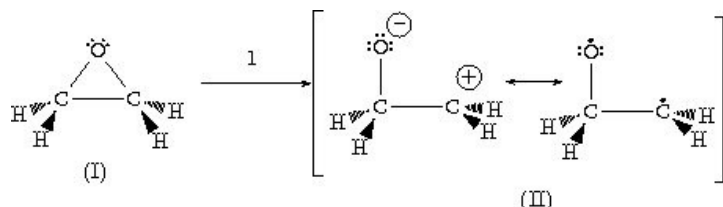
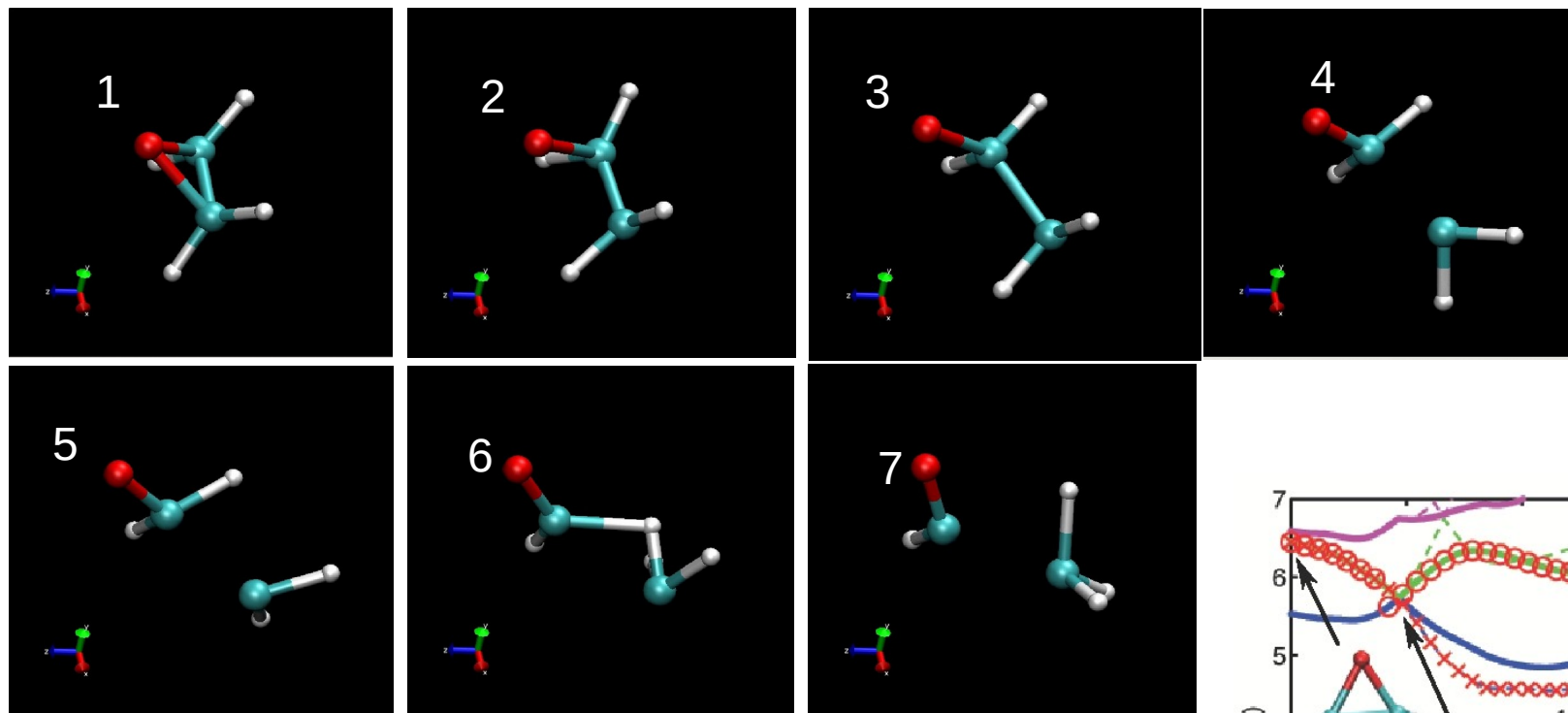
Overcoherence in the Ehrenfest method: the system moves on an *average* PES.

Overcoherence in Tully's method: the electronic wave function continues *incorrectly* to have components on both surfaces after leaving the crossing region.

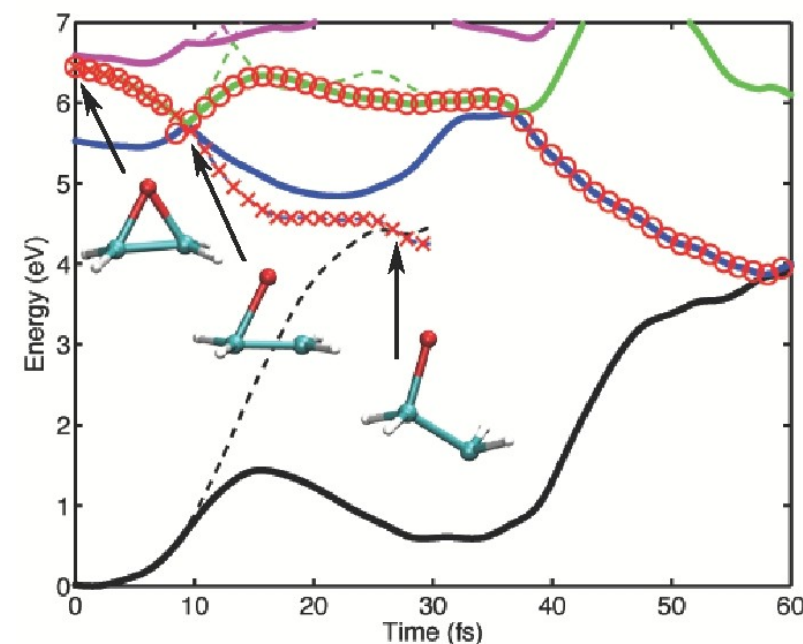
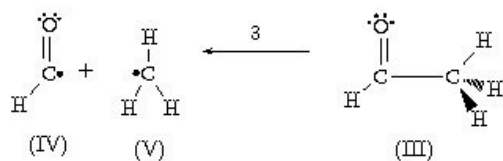
Introducing *decoherence corrections* makes the two methods increasingly similar.

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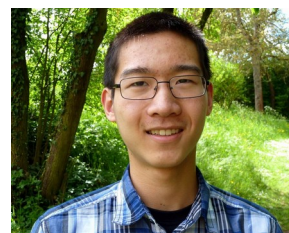
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 “Mixed time-dependent density-functional theory/classical surface hopping study
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mechanism



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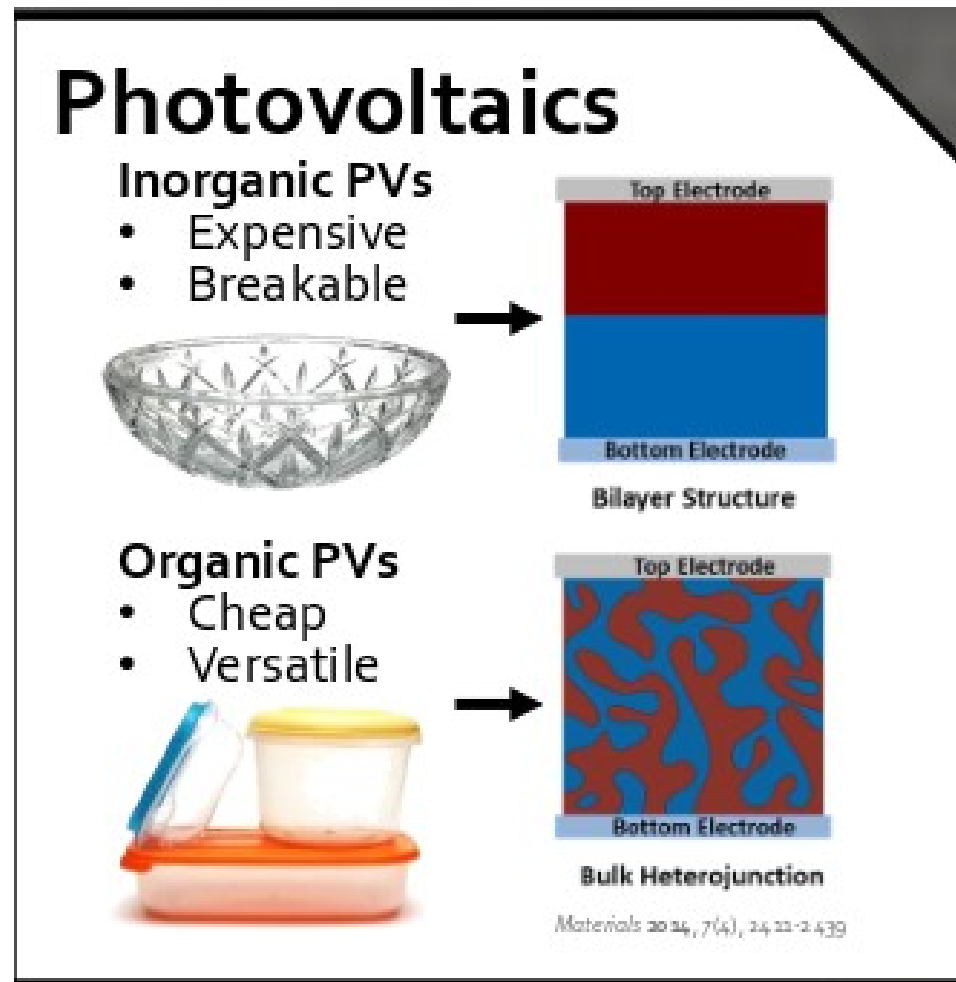
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Effect of Varying the TD-Ic-DFTB Range-Separation Parameter on Charge and Energy Transfer in a Model Pentacene/Buckminsterfullerene Heterojunction

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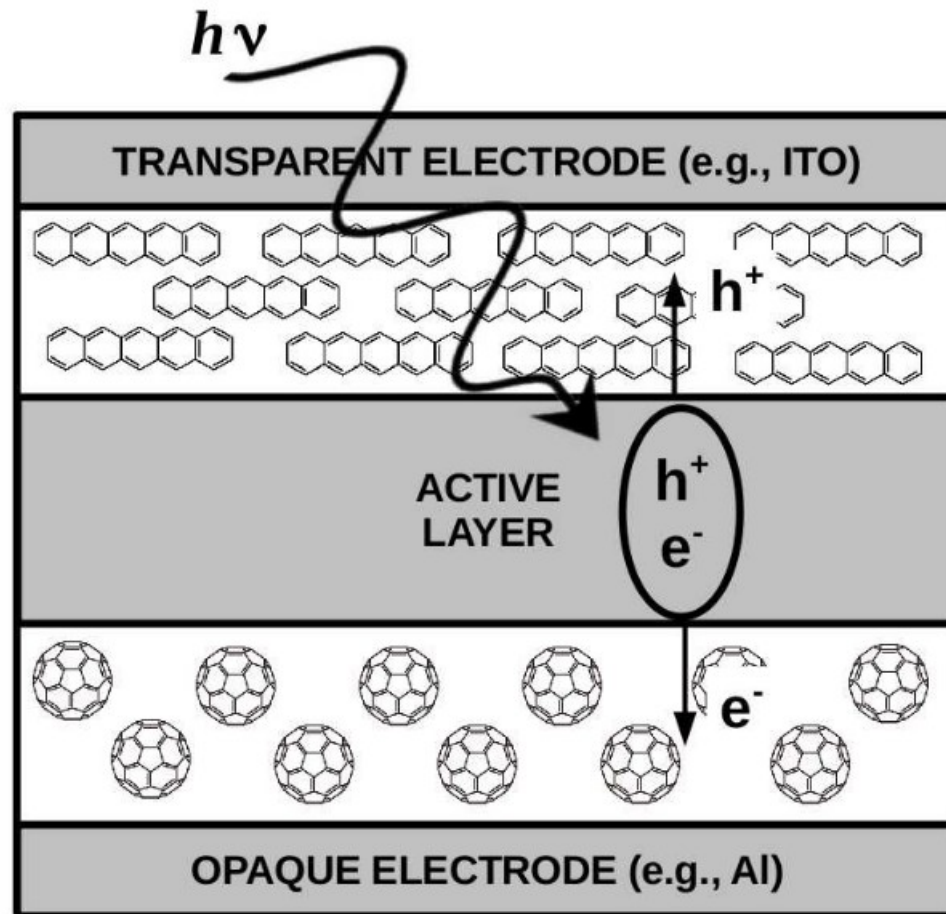


FIG. 2: Cartoon of an idealized Tang-type [25] **P/F** solar cell. ITO is a common abbreviation for indium titanium oxide, a transparent conducting oxide. (A realistic working **P/F** is described in Ref. [26].)

As a first approximation, neglect nuclear motion and just think in terms of electrons.

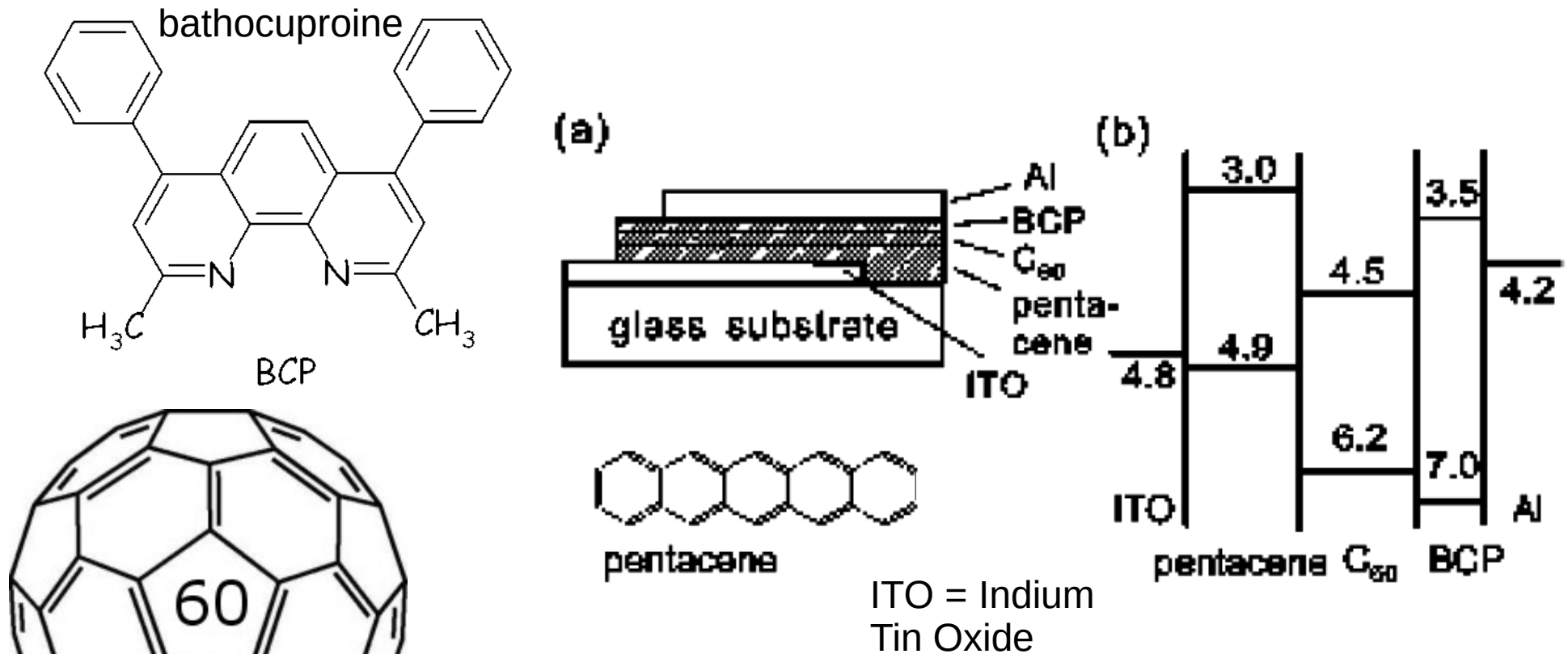
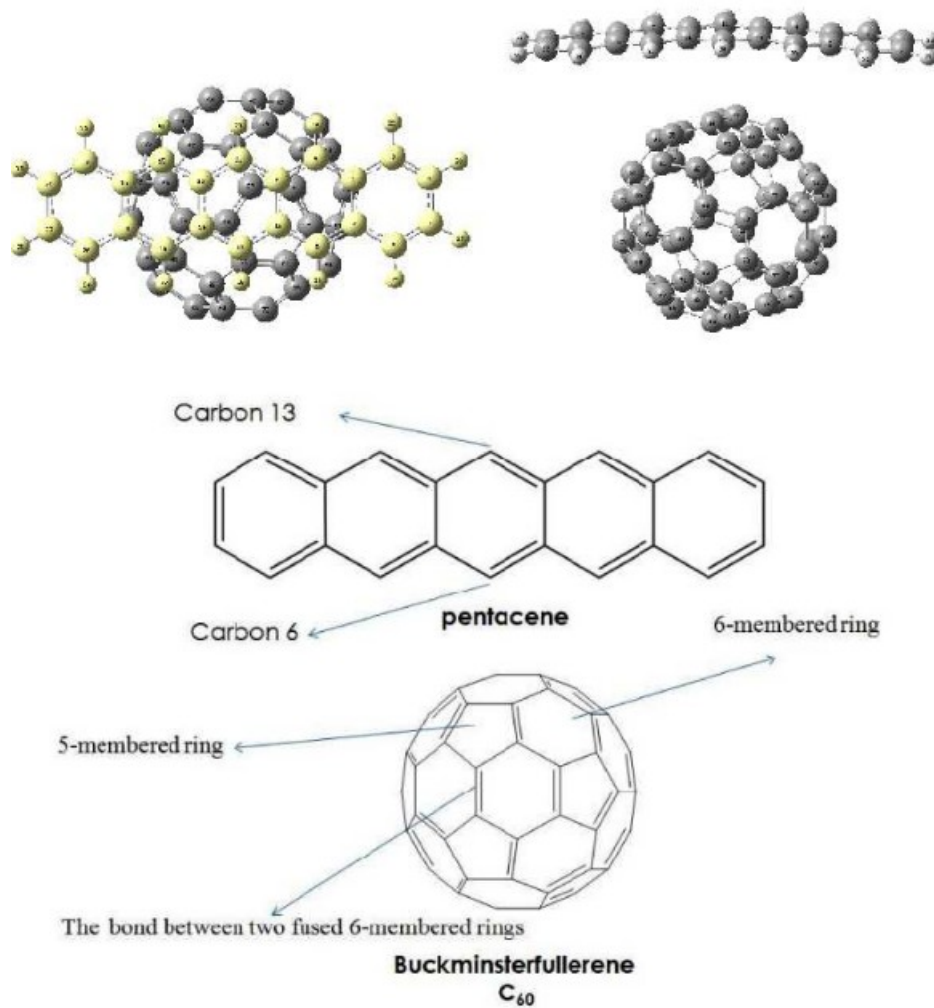


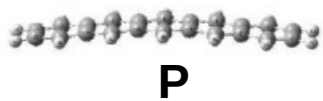
FIG. 1: A Tang-type¹⁰ pentacene/C₆₀ solar cell as shown in Fig. 1 of Ref.⁸.

[10] C. W. Tang, *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **48**, 183 (1986), [Twolayer organic photovoltaic cell](#).

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Charge transfer (CT) and energy transfer (ET) in terms of particles in the “conduction band” (i.e., empty orbitals) and holes in the “valence band” (i.e., filled orbitals):

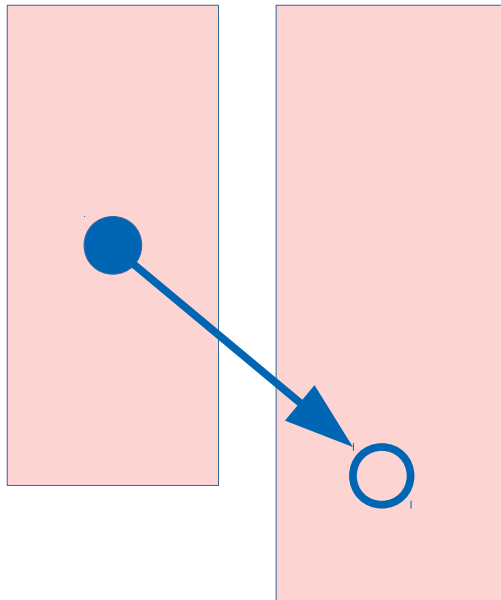
$$CT = q_h^P - q_p^P = q_p^F - q_h^P$$

$$ET = 1 - (q_p^P + q_h^P) = (q_h^F + q_p^F) - 1$$

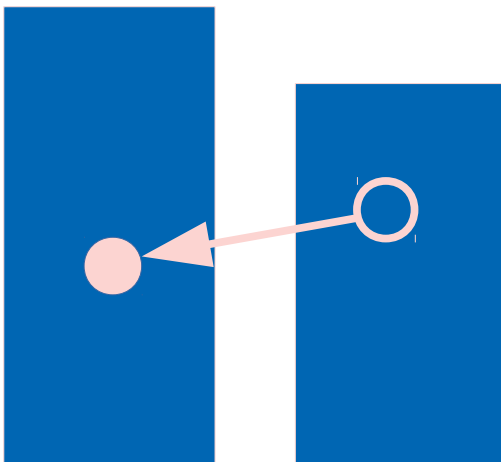
q_p^F

This definition is not unique (e.g., Kasha's exciton model.)

q_p^P



q_h^P



q_h^F

Now, run a swarm of about 100 trajectories and ensemble average!

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DECOHERENCE CORRECTION

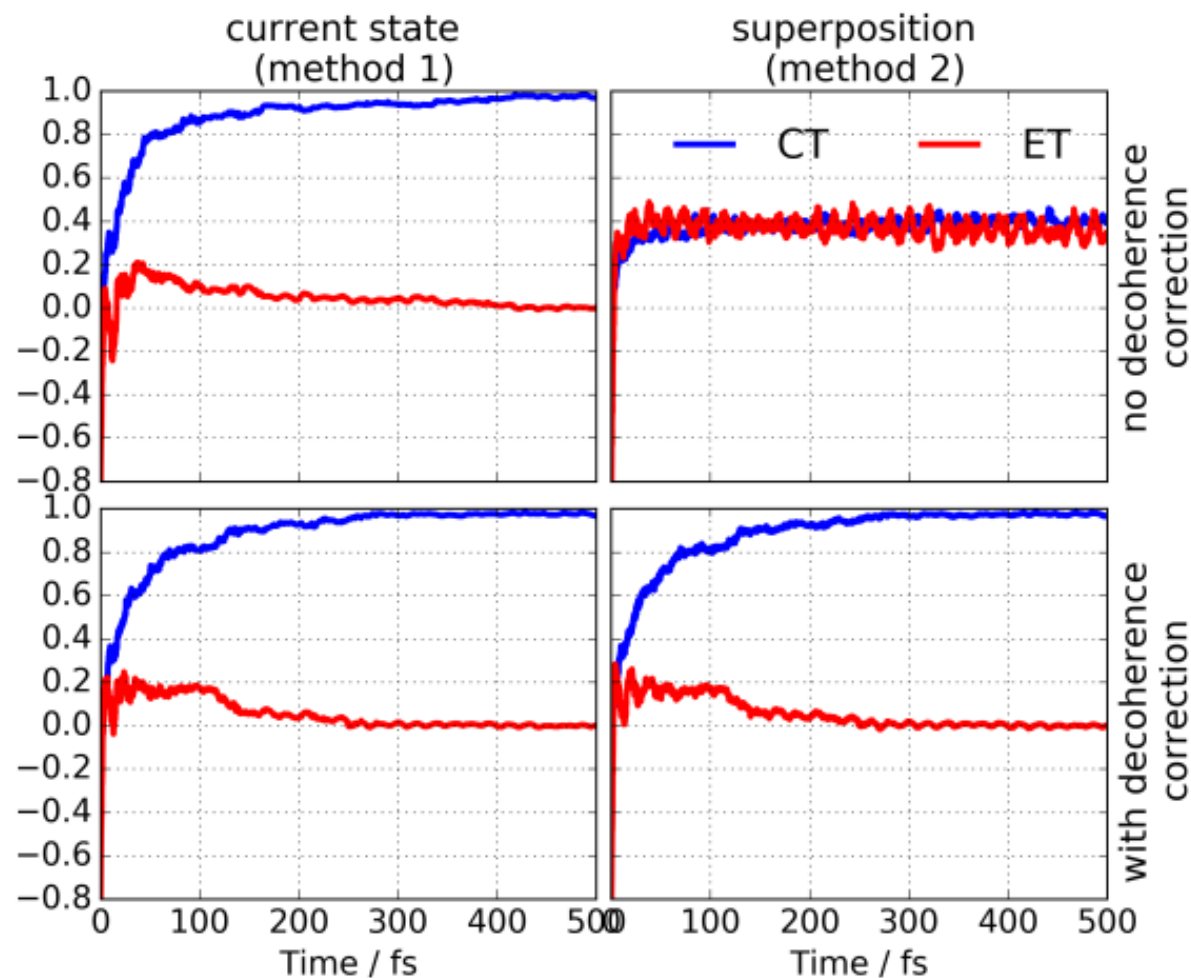
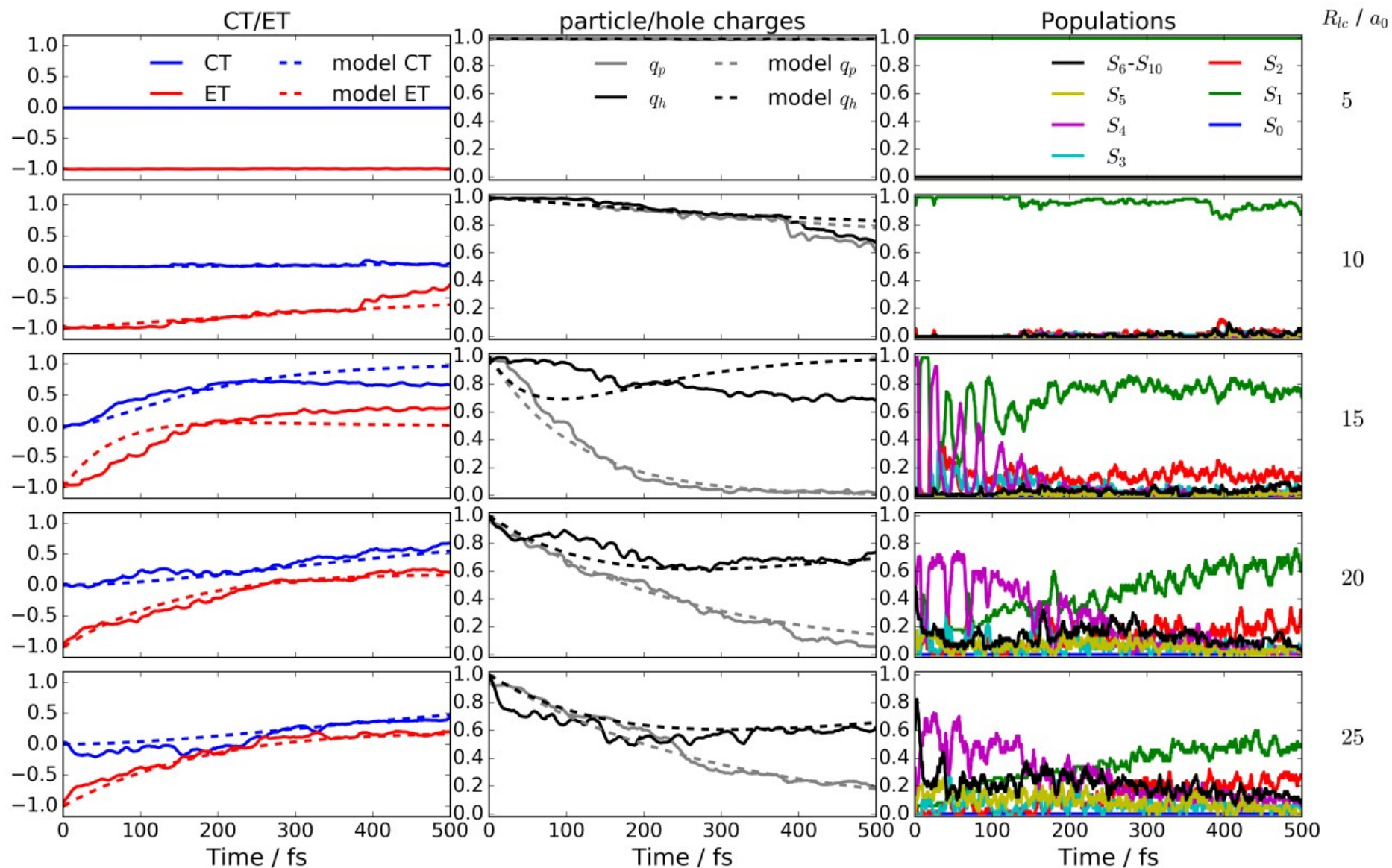
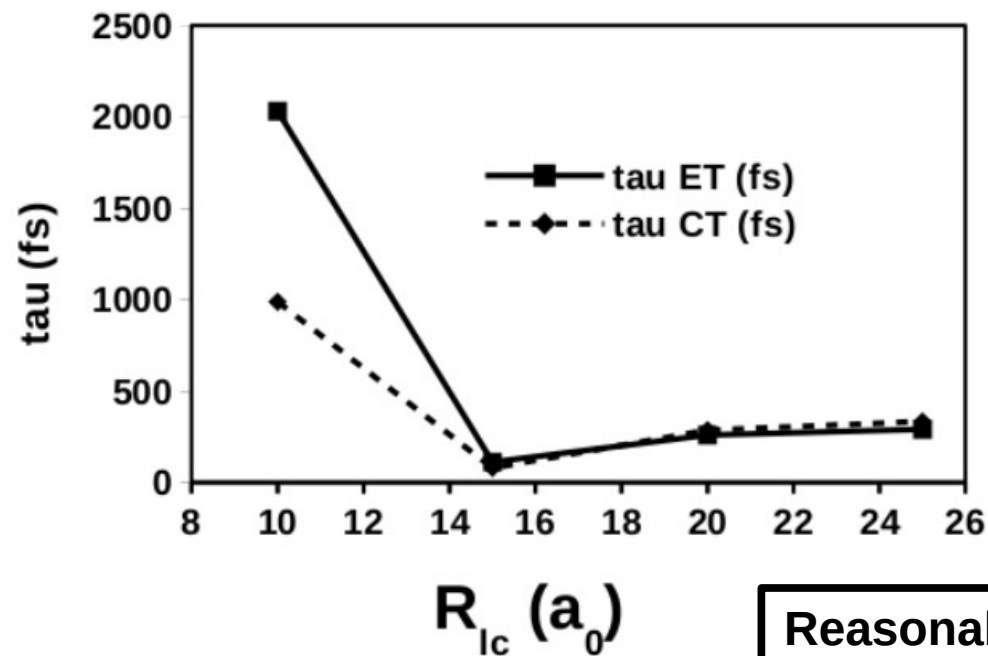


FIG. 5: CIS/AM1 FSSH calculations: “current state” is the same as the surface method; “superposition” is the same as the wavevector method.

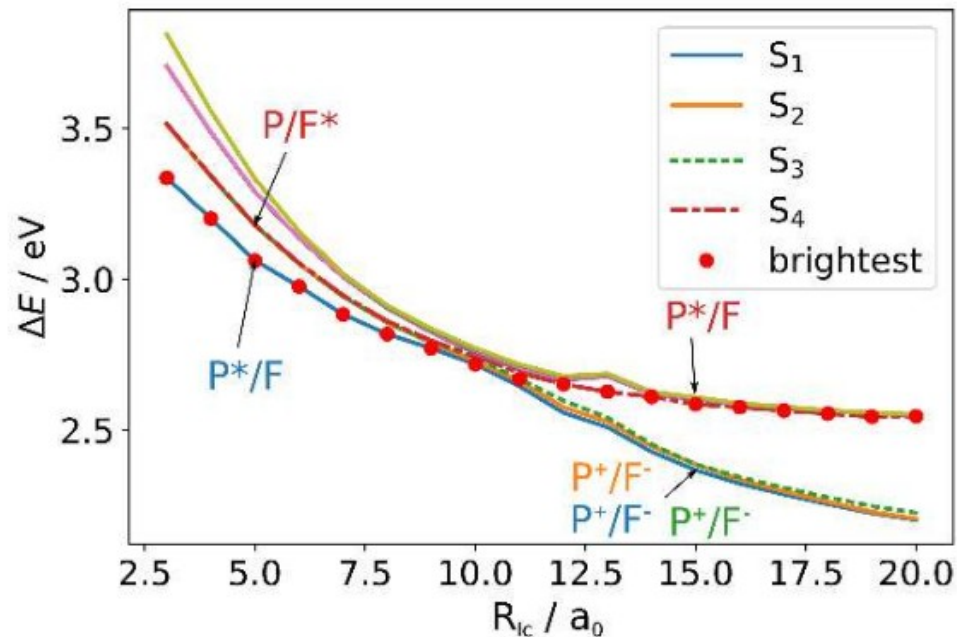
RESULTS AS A FUNCTION OF RANGE SEPARATION PARAMETER



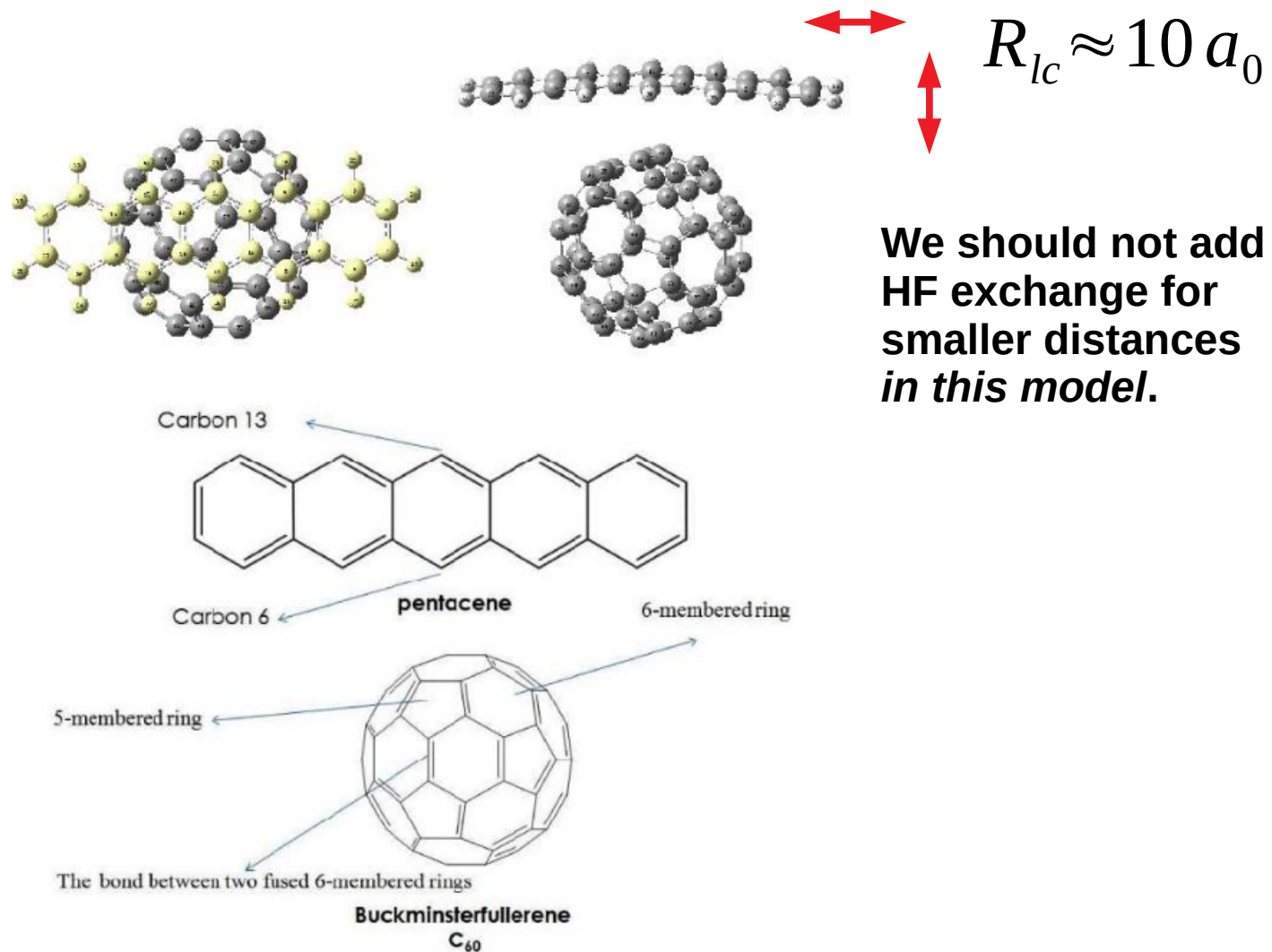
Donor/Acceptor	CT time	Reference
Experiment		
P3HT/PCBM	<100 fs ^a	[34]
APFO3/PCBM	200 fs ^b	[35]
MDMO-PPV/PC ₇₀ BM	≤ 100 fs ^c	[36]
PCPDTBT/PC ₇₀ BM	≤ 100 fs ^c	[36]
p-DTS(FBTTh ₂) ₂ /PC ₇₁ BM	82 fs	[31]
P/F	110 fs ^d	[37]
Theory		
4T/F	97 fs ^e	[30]
P/F	100 fs ^f	[38]
P/F	714 fs ^g	[39]
P/F	40 fs ^h	[29]
P/F	164 fs ⁱ	PW
P/F	~300 fs ^j	PW



Reasonable ET and CT are for $R_{ic} > 10 a_0$.



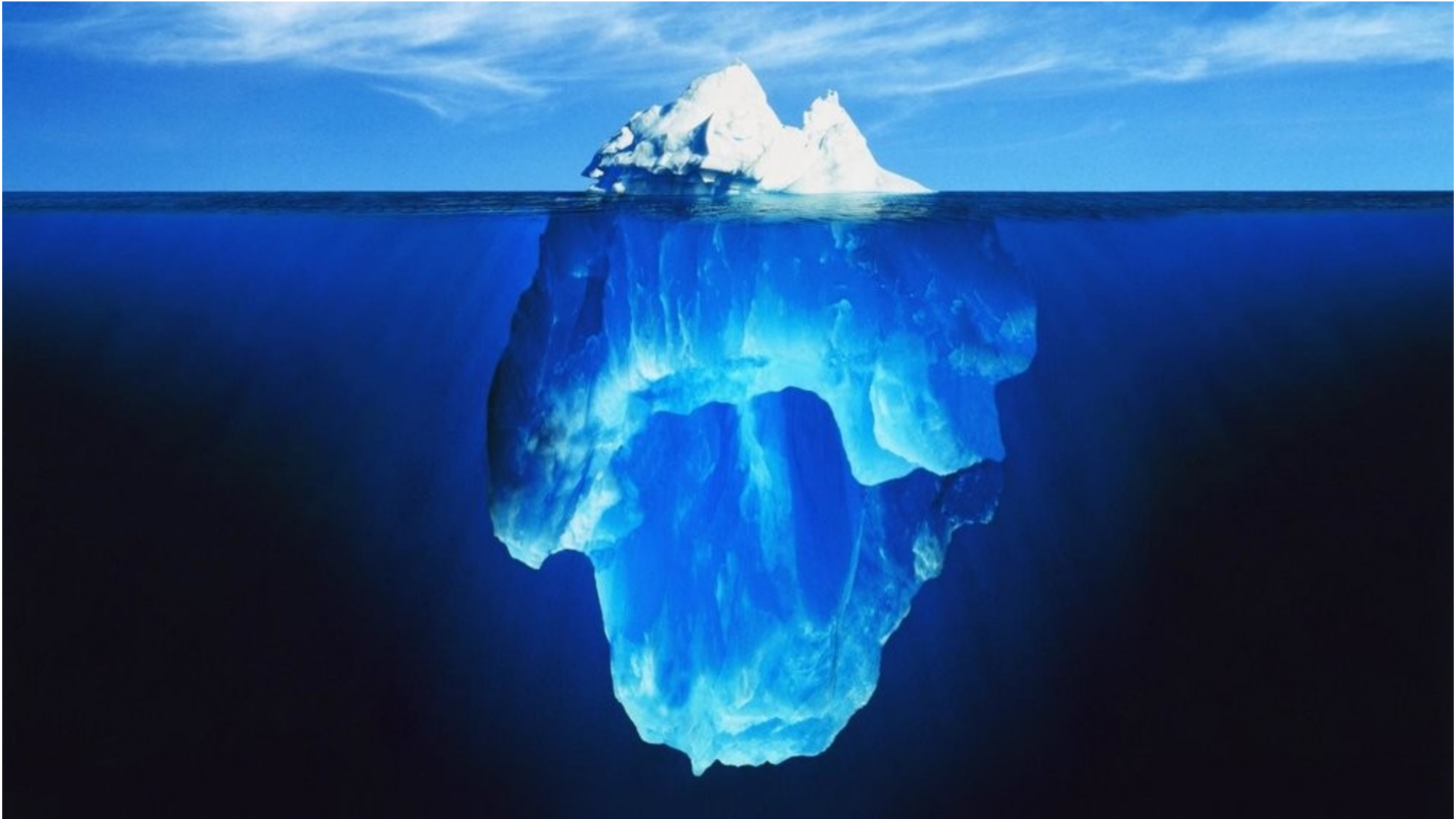
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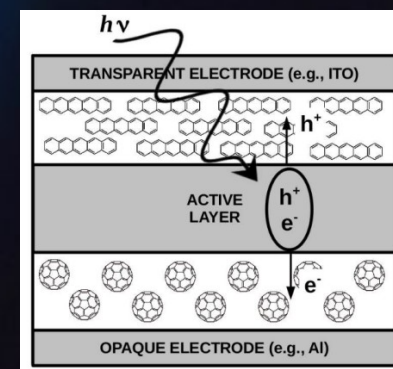
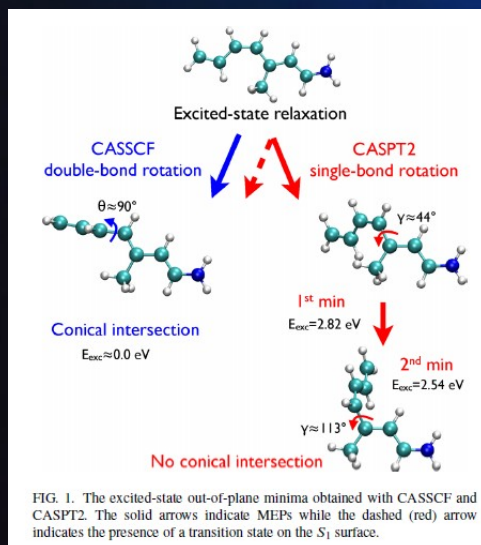
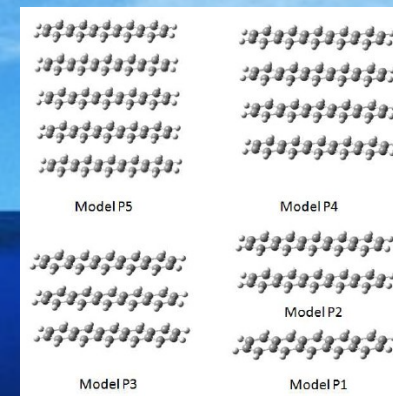
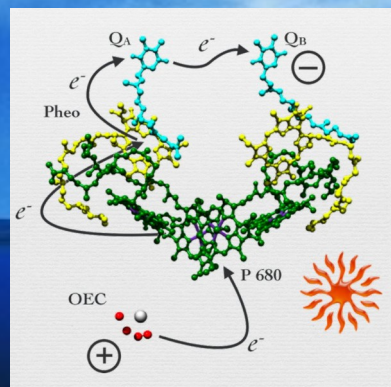
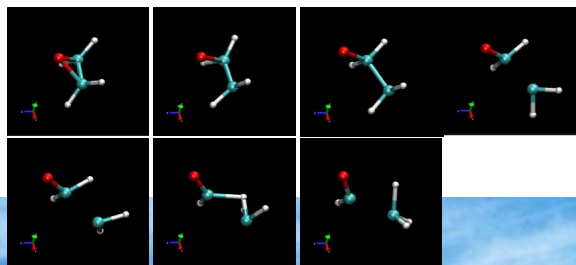
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