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**COLLEGE ON ATOMIC AND MOLECULAR PHYSICS:
PHOTON ASSISTED COLLISIONS IN ATOMS AND MOLECULES**

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**MOLECULAR BEAM TECHNIQUES
& ATOMIC & MOLECULAR COLLISIONS:
AN INTRODUCTION**

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Molecular Beam Techniques and Atomic & Molecular

Collisions: An Introduction

Concise Glossary	Sources, detectors, state analyzers, ...
Phenomenological Potential Scattering	shadows, glories, rainbows, diffractions, orbiting & resonances
Electronic Energy Transfer	curve crossings, interferences, polarization effects
Angular Momentum Transfer	molecular rotations, Electron spin effects, Orbital alignment and polarization.
Dynamics on Molecular Potential Energy Surfaces	Hyperspherical description of chemical reactions Angular momentum barriers Resonances & unimolecular decay Short wave (semi-classical) mechanics How quantum mechanics avoids classical chaos and catastrophes.

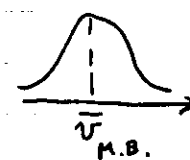
Molecular beams: Sources

Mean free path
~~Effusive~~

$$\Lambda = \frac{1}{\pi \sigma^2 n} \approx 10^{-5} \text{ cm}$$

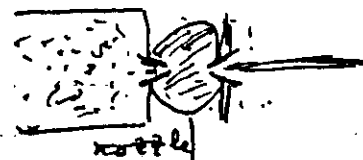
$\sigma = 3 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$
 $n \approx 3 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ molec/cm}^3$
(1 atm)

Effusive: slit dimension $\lesssim \Lambda$

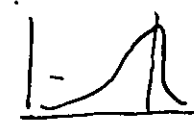


M Boltzmann distribution

Supersonic nozzle skimmer slit $\gtrsim \Lambda$



big pumps

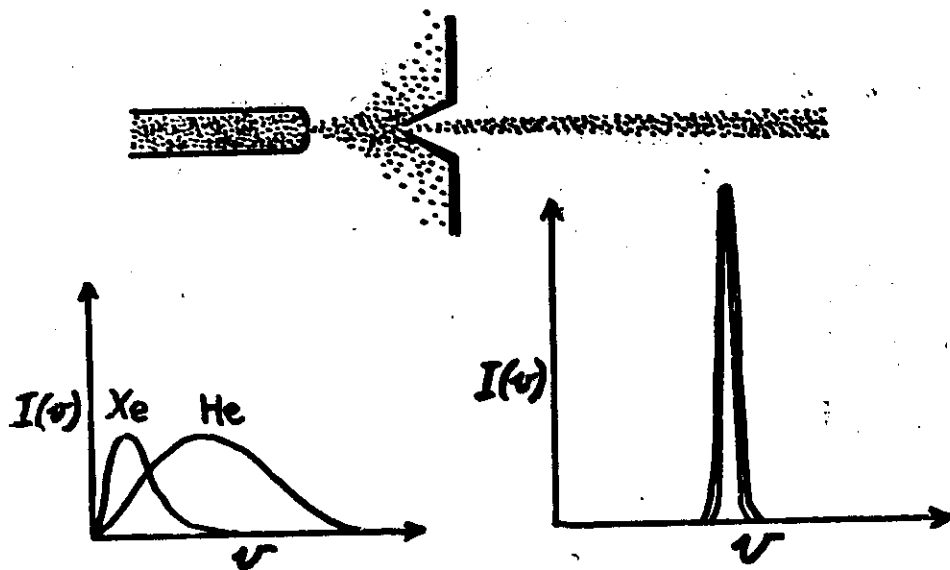


$v > \bar{v}_{\text{Maxwell-B}}$

Seeding
Pulsed etc.

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(on the last topics, see also separate notes!) 1

SEEDED BEAMS



$$\frac{1}{2} \bar{m} v^2 + \frac{5}{2} kT \quad = \quad \frac{1}{2} \bar{m} v'^2 + \frac{5}{2} kT'$$

$\downarrow 0$
 $\downarrow 0$

$$\frac{1}{2} \bar{m} v'^2 = \frac{5}{2} kT$$

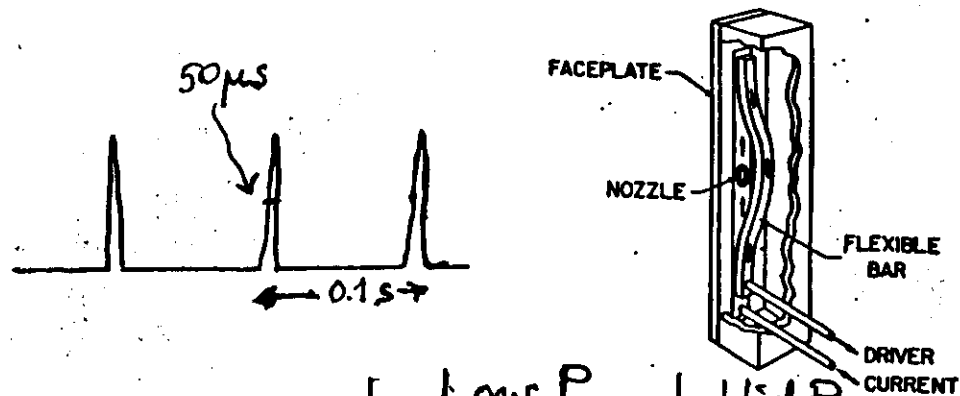
$$\frac{1}{2} M v'^2 = \frac{1}{2} \bar{m} v'^2 \left(\frac{M}{\bar{m}} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{M}{\bar{m}} \right) \left(\frac{5}{2} kT \right)$$

$$\approx \frac{M_{Xe}}{m_{He}} \left(\frac{5}{2} kT \right)$$

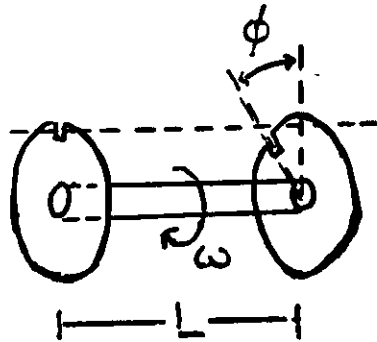
PULSED BEAMS

Gentry and Griese, 1978

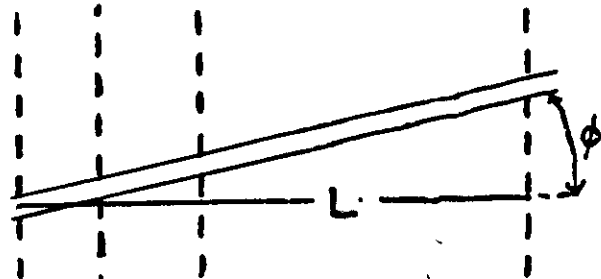


	Low P		High P	
	cont.	pulsed	cont.	pulsed
Source pressure (bar)	1	1	200	200
Pumping speed (l/s)	5000	5000	350	5000
Background pressure (torr)	10^{-3}	$5 \cdot 10^{-8}$	1	10^{-5}
Nozzle diameter (cm)	0.01	0.05	0.003	0.05
Mach No (arb)	7.6	38	460	76000
Duty Factor	1	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	1	$5 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Gas consumption (torr·cm ²)	0.076	0.001	1.4	0.19

Velocity selection: Fizeau

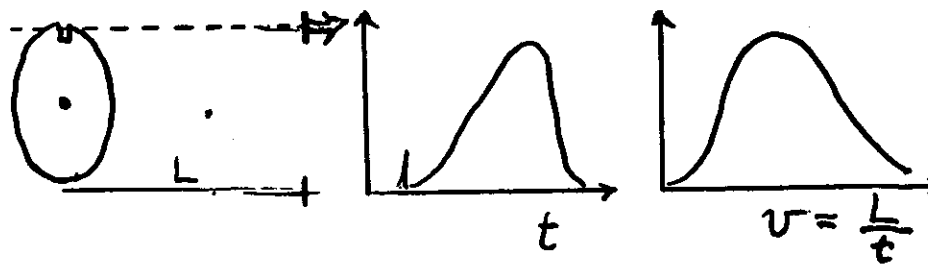


$$v = \frac{L}{\Delta t} = \frac{L \cdot \omega}{\phi}$$



for ~50%
transmission:
several
disks!

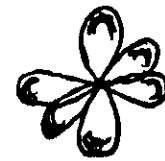
Velocity analysis: time of flight



for 50% transmission: cross correlation!

INTEGRAL CROSS SECTIONS AT THERMAL ENERGIES
AS A FUNCTION OF VELOCITY, FOR FIRST ROW ATOMS
WITH RARE GASES (glory range, magnetic analysis)

2p orbitals



N

L	S	$2s+1 L_J$	
1	1/2	$2P_{3/2, 1/2}$	3.82 eV
2	1/2	$2D_{5/2, 3/2}$	2.38 eV
0	3/2	$4S_{3/2}$	0



O

$3p_0$	281 meV
$3p_1$	196 meV
$3p_2$	0



F

$2p_{1/2}$	59 meV
$2p_{3/2}$	0

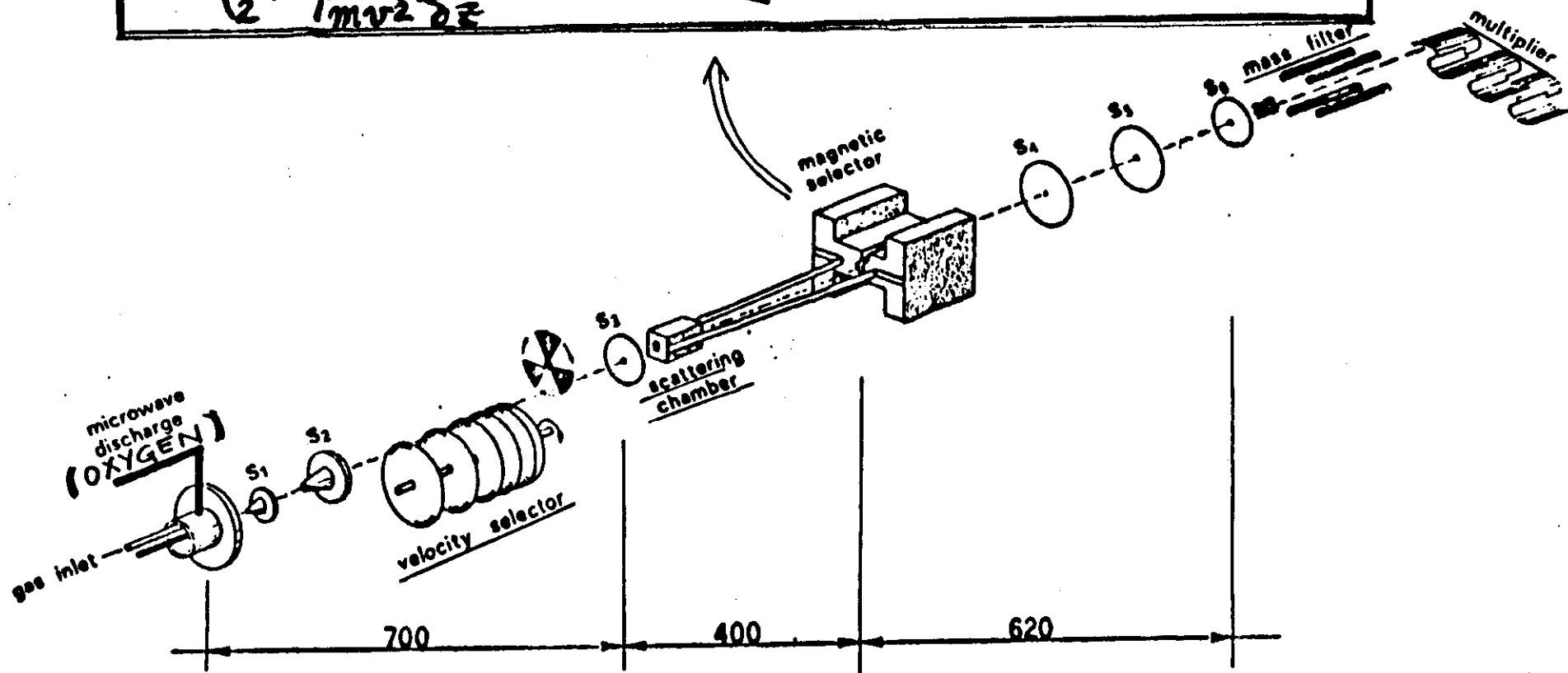
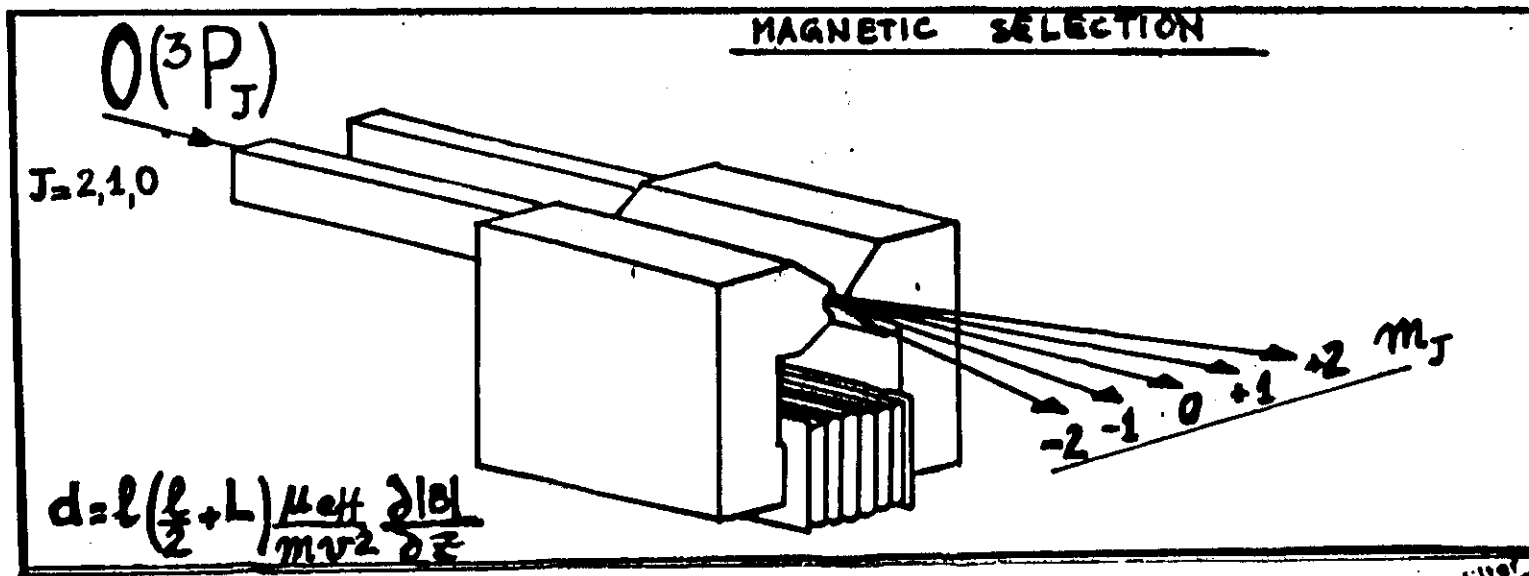


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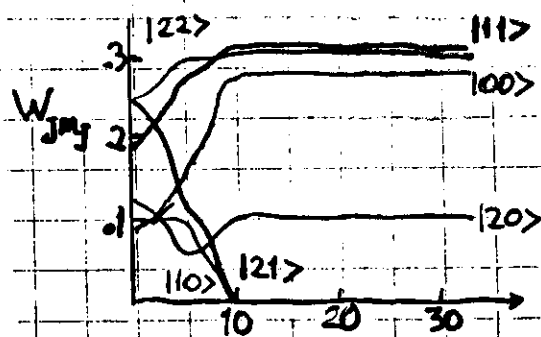
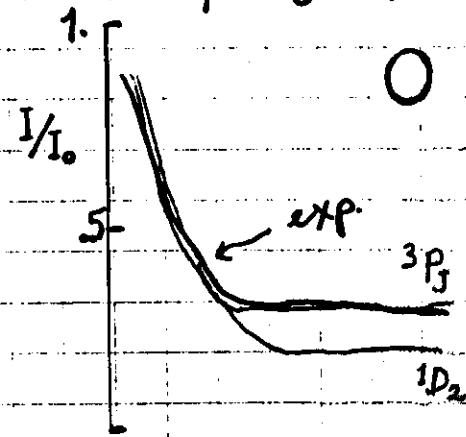
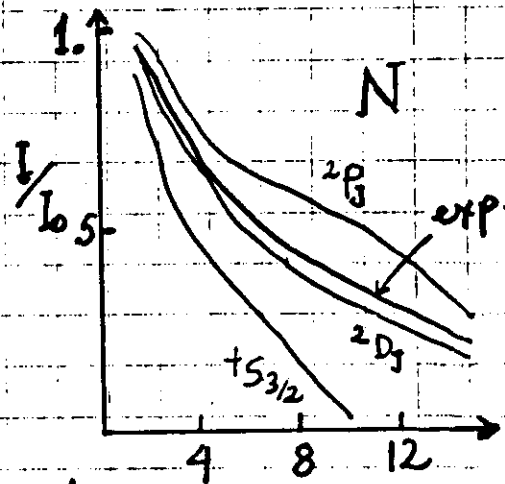
1	1	$3P_{0,1,2}$	17 eV
0	0	$1S_0$	

3 filled

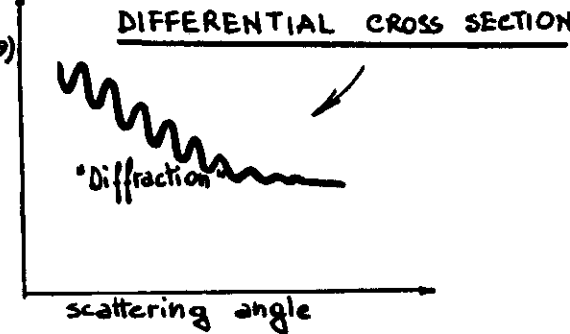
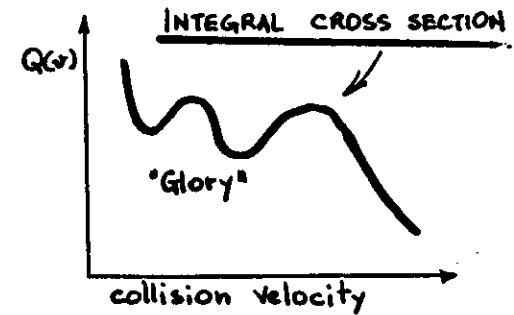
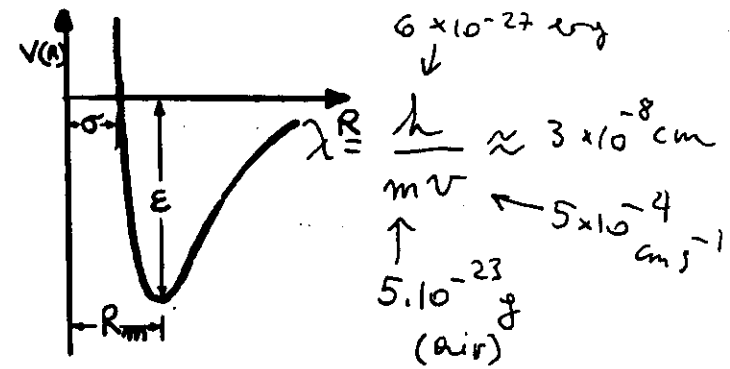
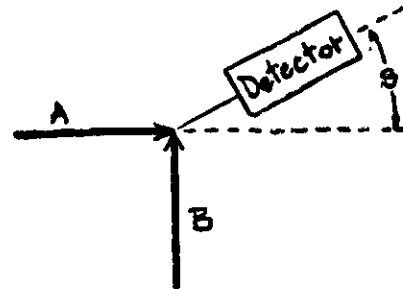
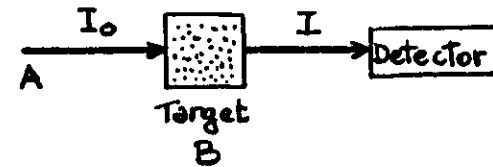
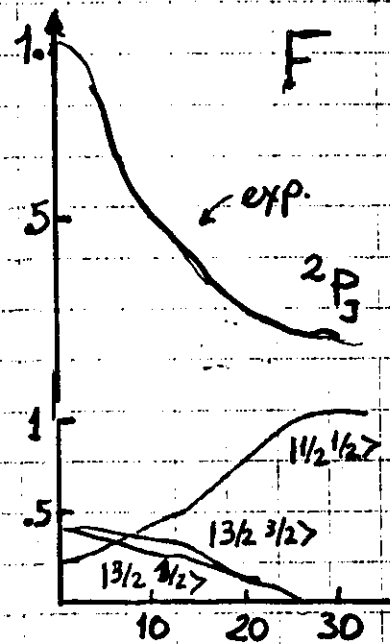
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Magnetic analysis of atomic beams



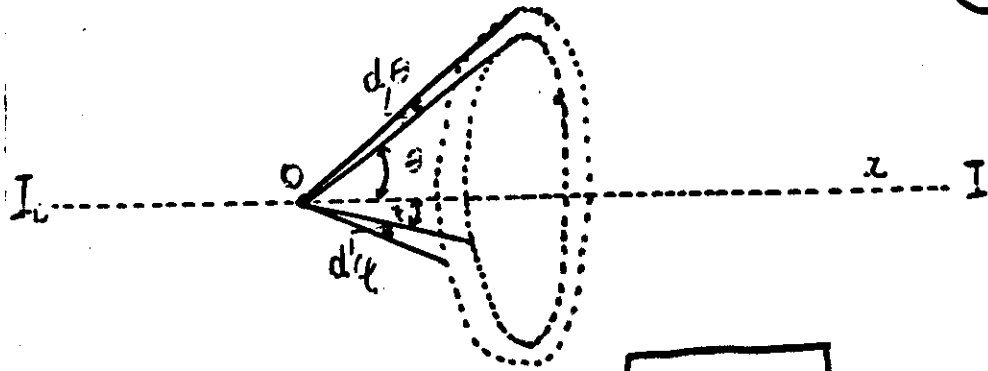
$B/v^2, 10^{-2} \text{ T km}^{-2} \text{ s}^2$



Absolute value of $Q(v)$ $\rightarrow$ long range
 'Glory' structure $\rightarrow \sim ER_m$
 'Diffraction' structure $\rightarrow \sim \sigma$

Differential cross section

(2)



$$- I(\omega) d\omega = \frac{d\hat{n}_c}{n_A n_B} v_{rel} V_{coll} \boxed{\frac{I(\omega)}{I_0}}$$

$$- d\omega = 2\pi \sin \theta d\theta$$

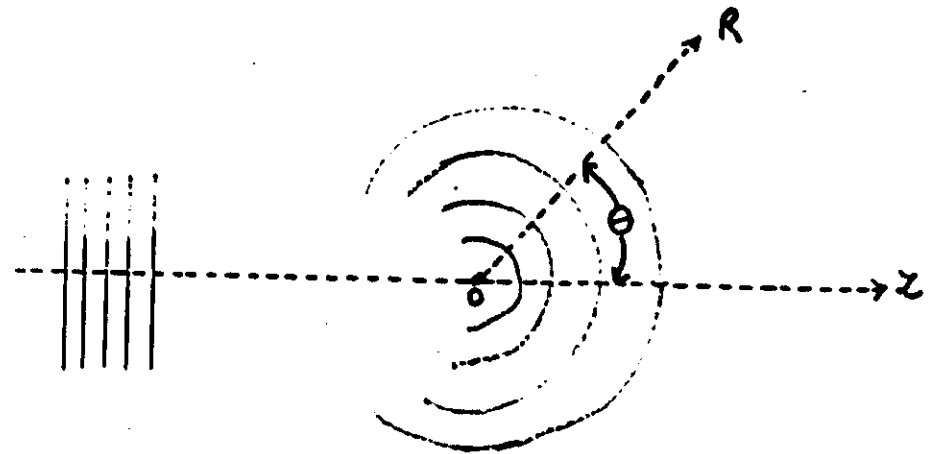
$$- I(\omega) \rightarrow I(\theta)$$

$$Q = \int I(\omega) d\omega = 2\pi \int_0^\pi I(\theta) \sin \theta d\theta$$

$I = I_0 e^{-Q n_B \ell}$ integral cross section
e.g. attenuation experiment



(3)



$$\psi(R, \theta) \sim e^{ikz} + \frac{f(\theta)}{R} e^{ikR}$$

$$R = \frac{\mu v}{k}$$

$$\nabla^2 \psi + [k^2 - U(R)] \psi = 0$$

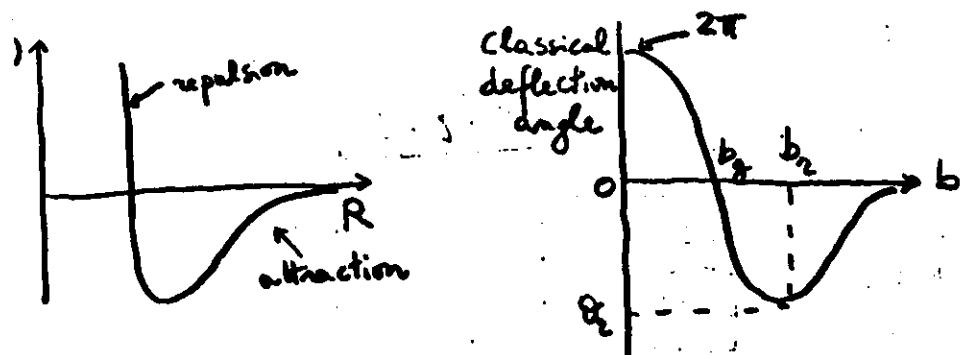
$$U(R) = \frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2} V(R)$$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2ik} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) (e^{i\eta_\ell} - 1) P_\ell(\cos \theta)$$

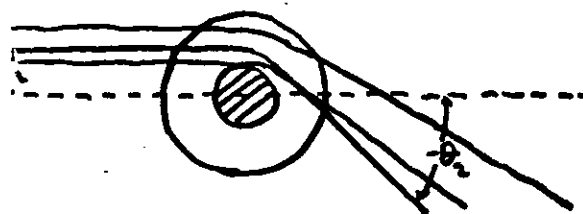
$$- I(\theta) = |f(\theta)|^2 = \frac{1}{k^2} \left| \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) e^{i\eta_\ell} \sin \eta_\ell P_\ell(\cos \theta) \right|^2$$

$$Q = \frac{4\pi}{k^2} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell+1) \sin^2 \eta_\ell$$

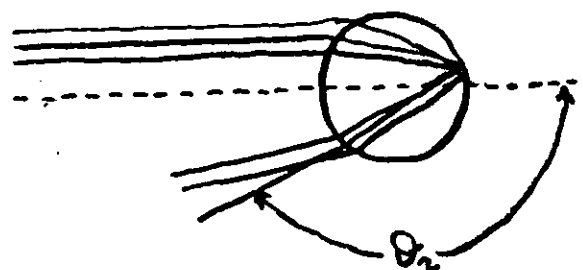
WAVE PHENOMENA IN ATOMIC SCATTERING



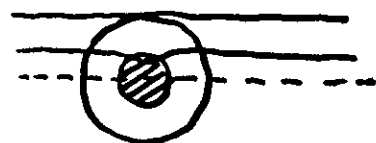
RAINBOW effect
for atomic scattering



Descartes
construction for
RAINBOW due
to water droplets



GLORY
effect
for atomic
scattering



SEMICLASSICAL PHASE SHIFT

de Broglie wave $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \sin \\ \cos \end{matrix} 2\pi \nu t \right\}$ $\lambda_2 = \frac{h}{\mu v_2}$

$$\eta = \int_{\text{with } V} 2\pi \nu dt - \int_{\text{without } V} 2\pi \nu_0 dt \quad \nu = \frac{v_2}{\lambda_2} = \frac{d}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{\mu v}{\hbar} \left\{ \int_{z_0}^{\infty} \left[1 - \frac{V}{E} - \frac{b^2}{z^2} \right]^{1/2} dz - \int_b^{\infty} \left[1 - \frac{b^2}{z^2} \right]^{1/2} dz \right\}$$

WKB
phase shift

"High" energy: $\frac{V}{E} \ll 1 - \frac{b^2}{z^2}$
expanding the square root and

$z_0 \approx b$ ["linear" trajectory]

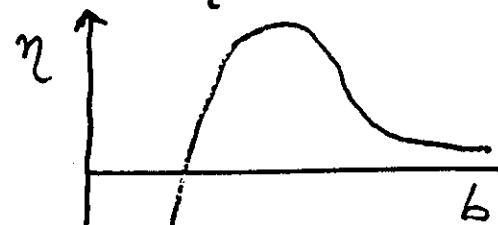
$$z^2 = b^2 + v^2 t^2$$

$$\eta_{JB} = -\frac{1}{kv} \int_b^{\infty} V(z) \left[1 - \frac{b^2}{z^2} \right]^{-1/2} dz$$

For $V = C_n / r^n$ closed form $\eta \propto -C_n / b^n$

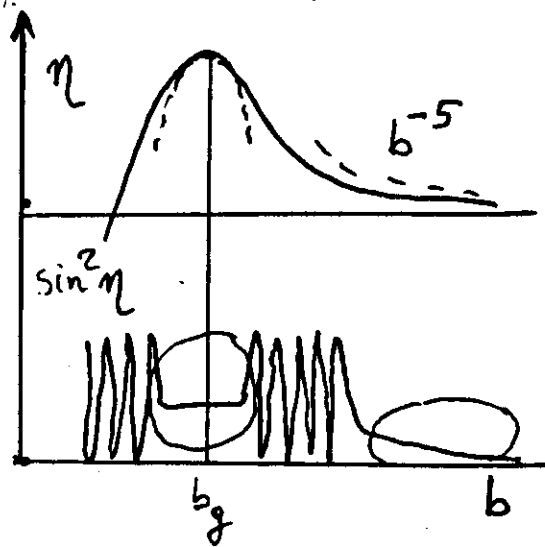
For L.J. (12,6)

$$\eta(b) = \frac{1}{v} \left[\frac{\alpha}{b^5} - \frac{\beta}{b^{11}} \right]$$



GLORY OSCILLATIONS in INTEGRAL CROSS SECTIONS

$$Q(v) = 8\pi \int_0^{\infty} \sin^2 \eta(v, b) b db$$



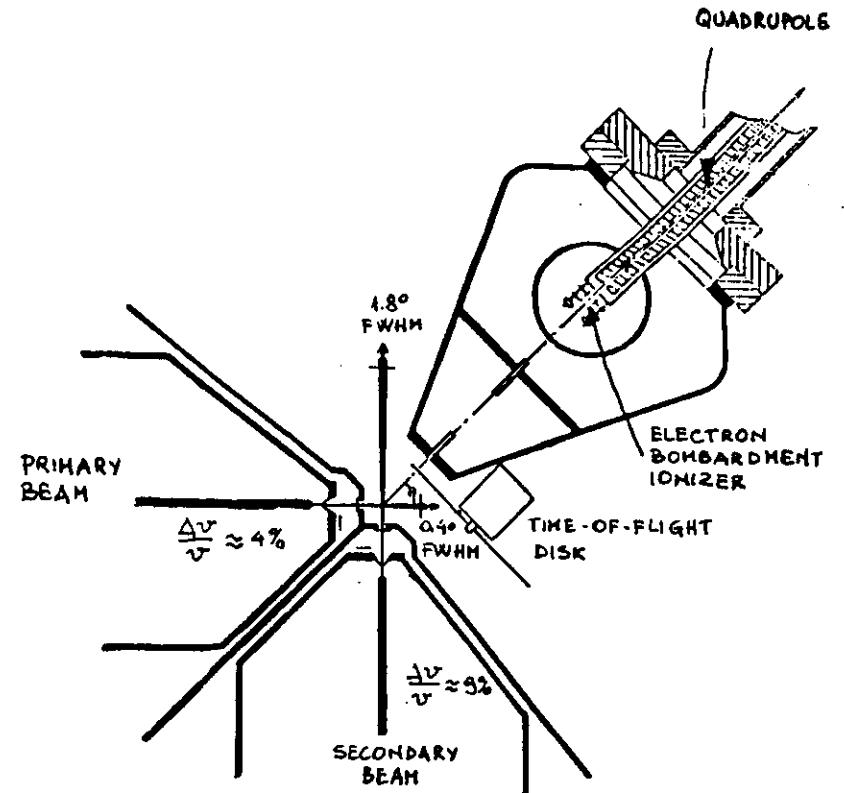
$$\eta \approx \frac{1}{v} \left(\frac{\alpha}{b^5} - \frac{\beta}{b^{11}} \right)$$

$$Q = \bar{Q} + \Delta Q$$

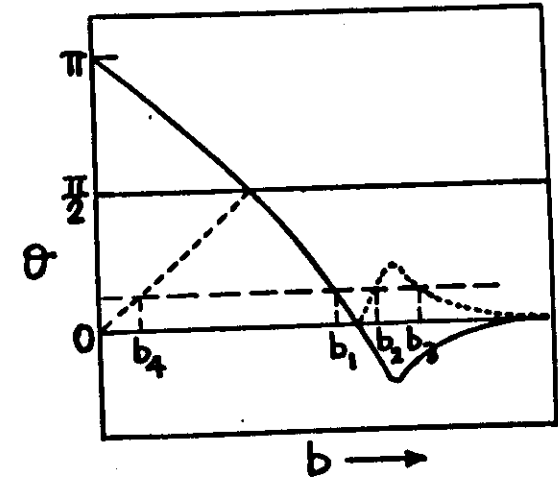
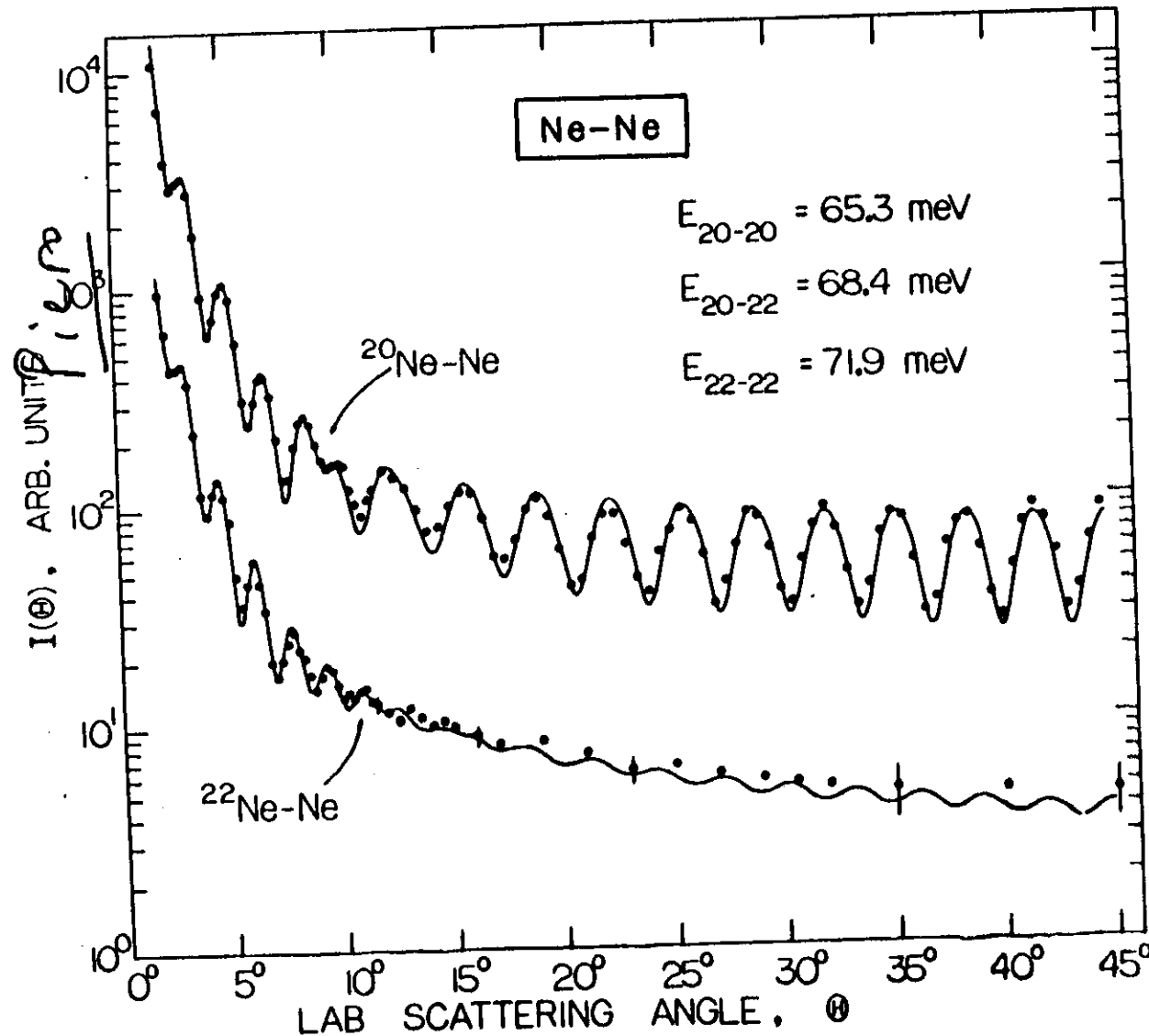
$$\bar{Q} \approx Q_{vdw} \approx 8.083 \left(\frac{C_6}{\hbar v} \right)^{2/5}$$

$$\Delta Q \propto -\cos \left[2\eta(b_g) - \frac{\pi}{4} \right]$$

CROSSED BEAM APPARATUS FOR DIFFERENTIAL SCATTERING CROSS SECTION



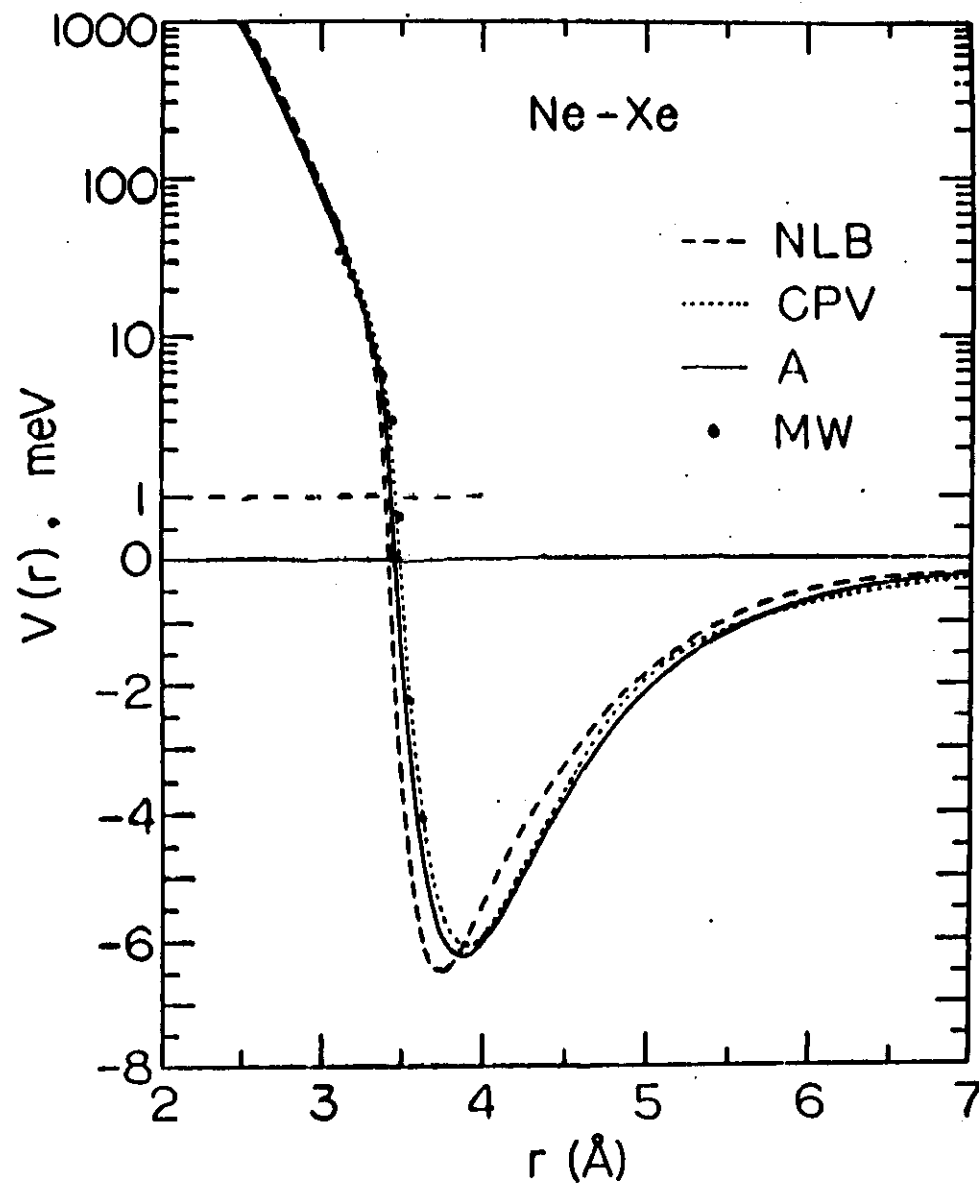
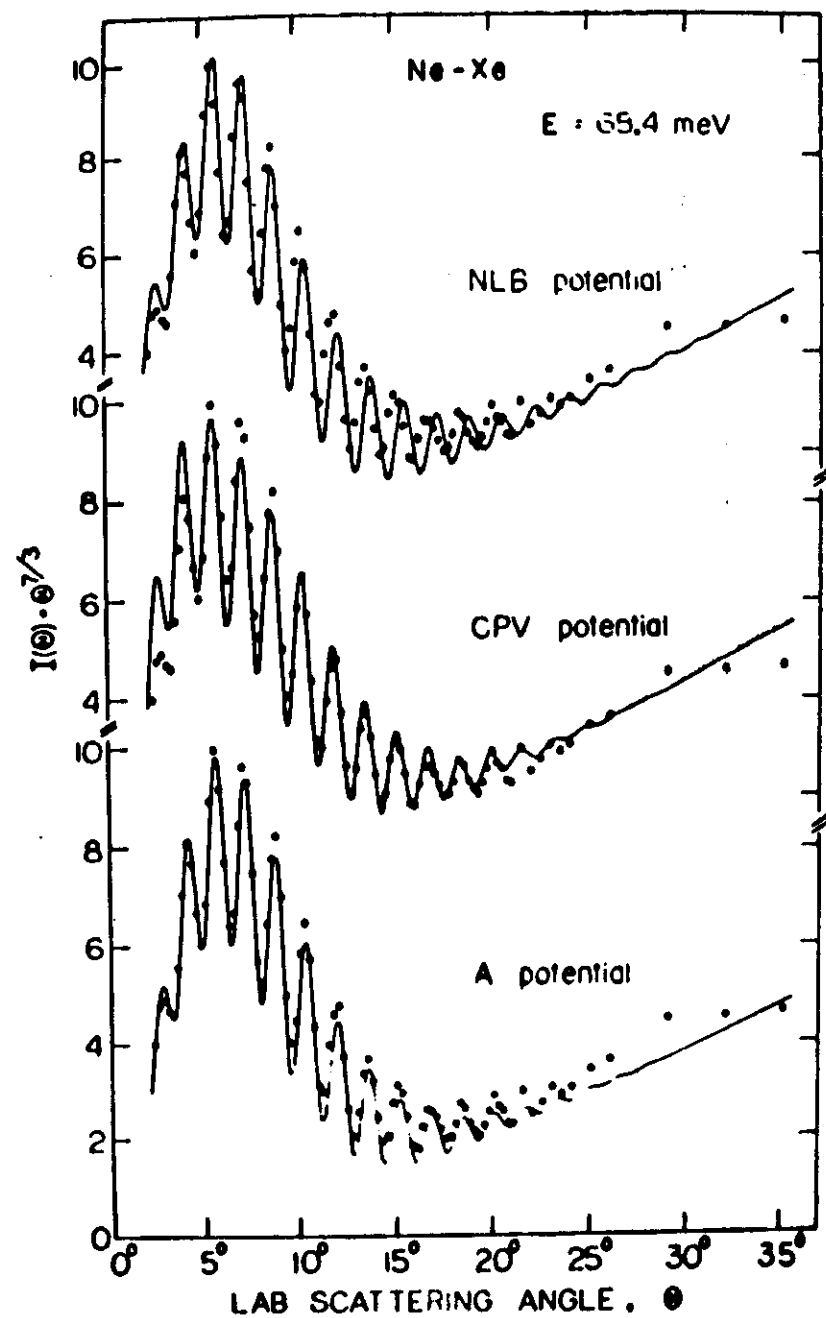
IDENTICAL PARTICLE SCATTERING (symmetry oscillations)



$$I(\theta) = |f(\theta) + f(\pi - \theta)|^2$$

(symmetry about $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$)

$$I(\theta) = \left| \sum_{\ell=0,2,4,\dots}^{\infty} (2\ell+1)(e^{2i\eta_{\ell}} - 1)P_{\ell}(\cos \theta) \right|^2$$



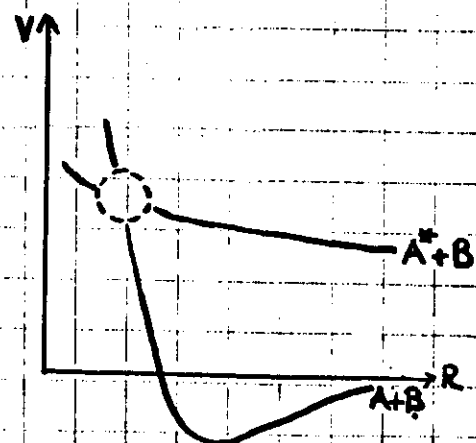
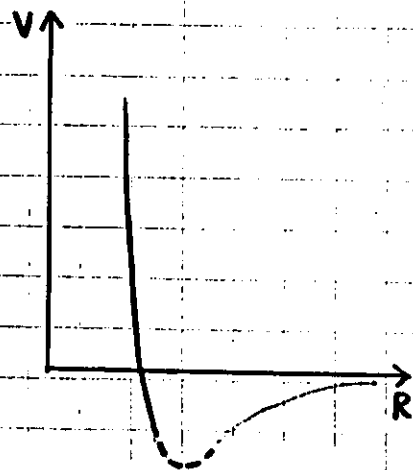
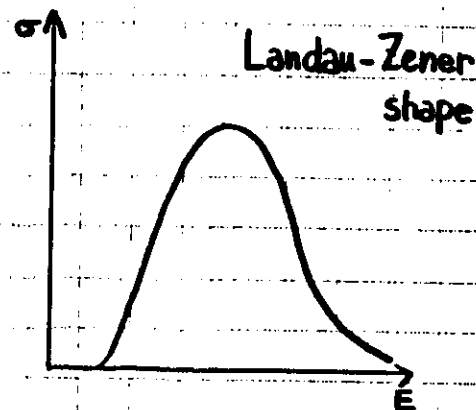
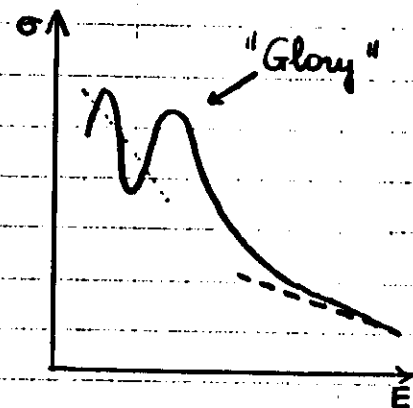
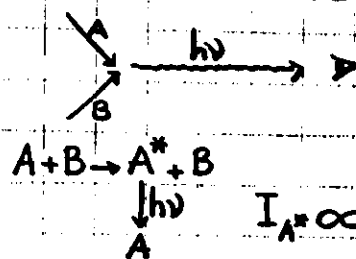
TOTAL CROSS SECTIONS

ELASTIC



$$I_A = I_A^0 e^{-\sigma n_0 l}$$

INELASTIC



SEMICLASSICAL EQUATIONS

In a system of electrons & nuclei

$$H\Psi = \{H_d + \sum K_{nuc}\} \Psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t}$$

$$H_d(\underline{r}, \underline{R}) \phi_i(\underline{r}, \underline{R}) = E_i(\underline{R}) \phi_i(\underline{r}, \underline{R})$$

ϕ_i : molecular orbitals

Postulate $\underline{R} = \underline{R}(t)$ a classical trajectory for nuclei and expand $\Psi = \sum_i a_i(t) \phi_i(\underline{r}, \underline{R}(t)) \exp\left\{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int^t E_i(\underline{R}(t)) dt\right\}$ one gets

$$i\hbar \dot{a}_i = \sum_{j \neq i} V_{ij} a_j \exp\left\{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int^t (E_j - E_i) dt\right\}$$

where

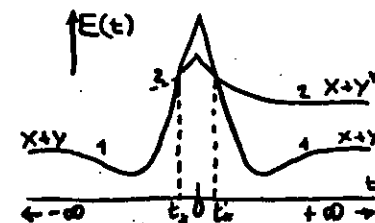
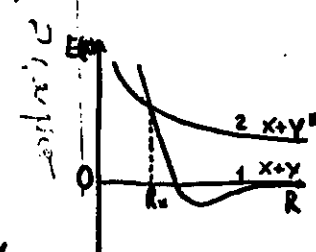
$$V_{ij} = \hbar \langle \phi_i | \dot{\phi}_j \rangle = \dot{\underline{R}}^{-1} P_{ij}(\underline{R})$$

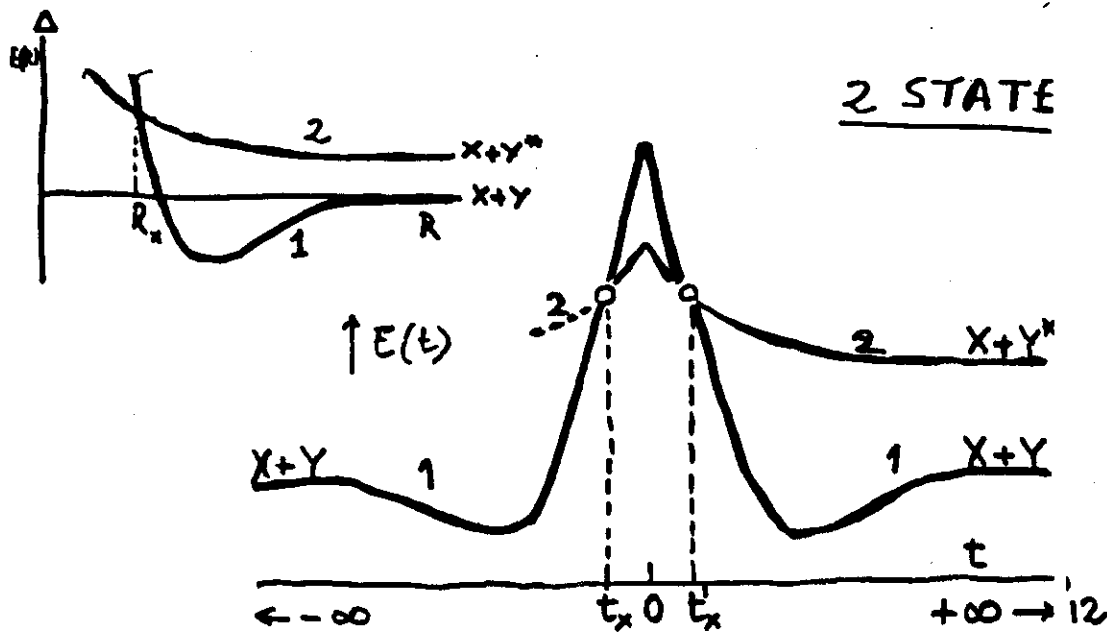
Adiabatic evolution on E_i described by phase shifts $\int^t E_i dt$, transitions (described by $|a_i(+\infty)|^2$)

most likely take place when $E_j - E_i \lesssim V_{ij}$

e.g.: two states, straight line trajectories

$$R^2 = b^2 + v^2 t^2$$





LANDAU-ZENER-STÜCKELBERG (1932)

$$P(v, b) \approx \exp \left\{ -\frac{2\pi V_{12}^2}{\hbar v_R d(E_1 - E_2)/dR} \right\} R_x$$

$$\gamma(v, b) \approx \pi/4$$

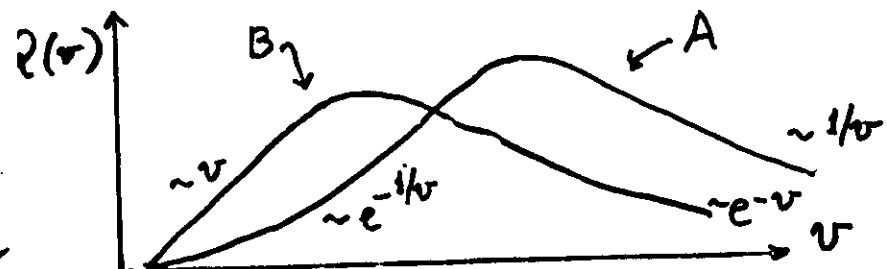
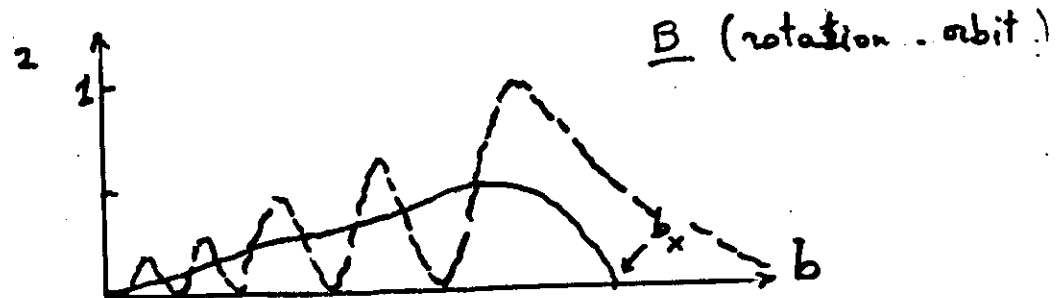
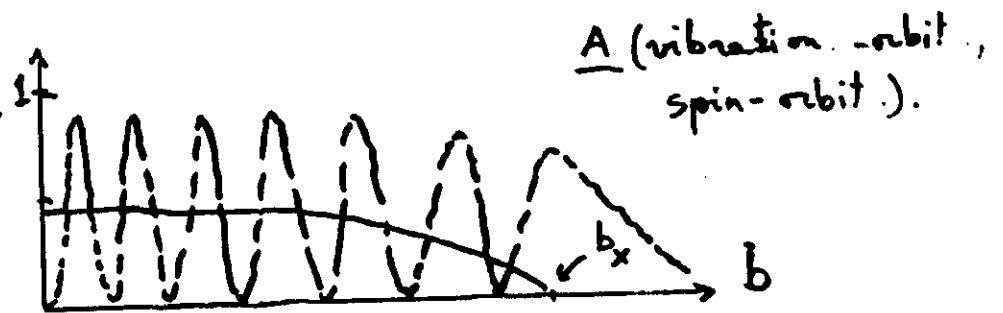
$$\begin{cases} i\hbar \dot{a}_1 = V_{12} a_2 \exp \left\{ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int^t (E_2 - E_1) dt' \right\} \\ i\hbar \dot{a}_2 = V_{12} a_1 \exp \left\{ +\frac{i}{\hbar} \int^t (E_2 - E_1) dt' \right\} \end{cases}$$

$$S_{11} = a_1(+\infty) = \left[\rho + (1-\rho) \exp \left\{ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{t_x}^{t_x} (E_2 - E_1) dt' + 2\gamma \right\} \right] \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} E_1 dt' \right\}$$

$$S_{12} = a_2(+\infty) = 2i \rho^{1/2} (1-\rho)^{1/2} \sin \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\hbar} \int_{t_x}^{t_x} (E_2 - E_1) dt + \gamma \right\} \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} E_2 dt \right\}$$

$$P_{12} = |a_2(+\infty)|^2 = 4\rho(1-\rho) \sin^2 \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\hbar} \int_{t_x}^{t_x} (E_2 - E_1) dt + \gamma \right\}$$

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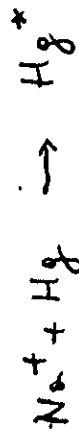


For the process $i \rightarrow f$, $a_i(-\infty) = 1$, $a_j \neq i(-\infty) = 0$

$$P_{if} = |a_f(+\infty)|^2 = |S_{if}^{(l)}|^2$$

$$Q_{if} = \frac{\pi}{k^2} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) |S_{if}^{(l)}|^2 \rightarrow 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} P_{if}(v, b) b db.$$

Experiments: Alkali ion-atom

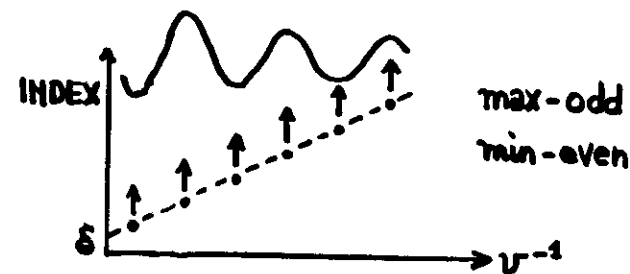


interference oscillation and polarization effects

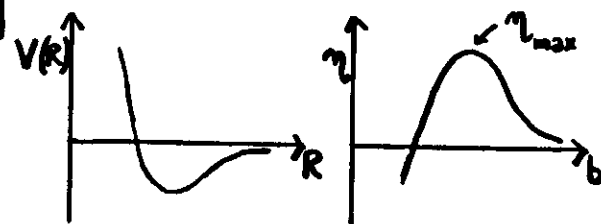
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(2) PHENOMENOLOGY OF OSCILLATIONS IN TOTAL CROSS SECTIONS

$$\Delta Q = -A(v) \cos\left[\frac{\langle E\tau \rangle}{v} + \delta\right]$$



1. Elastic "Glory"

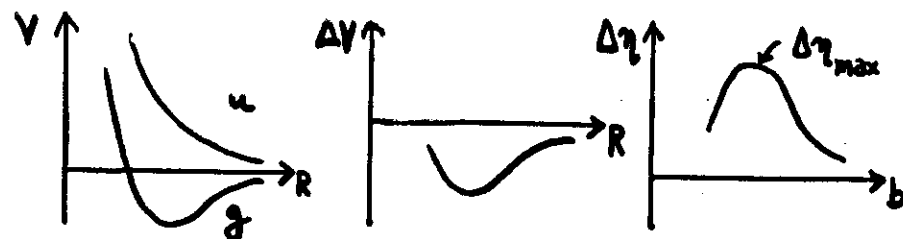


$$\delta = -\pi/4$$

$$\frac{\langle E\tau \rangle}{v} = 2\eta_{\max}$$

$$A(v) \propto v^{-1/2}$$

2. Resonant Charge-Transfer



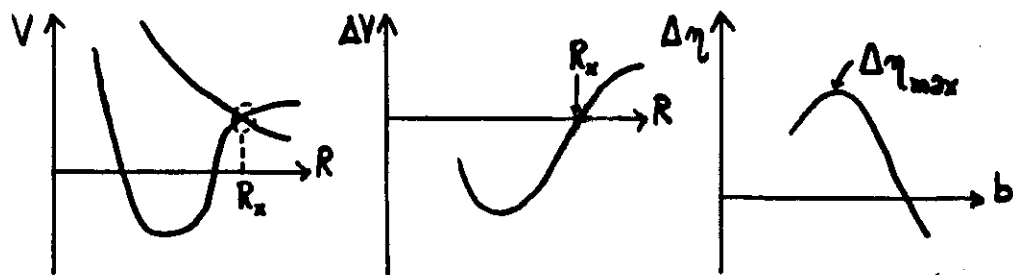
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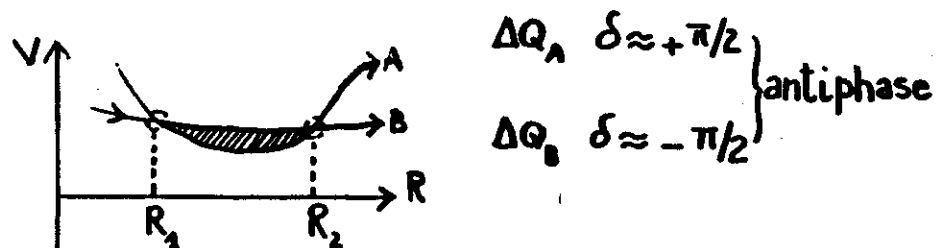
3. Inelastic "Glory"



$$\delta \approx +\pi/4 \quad \frac{\langle E v \rangle}{v} = 2\Delta\eta_{\max}$$

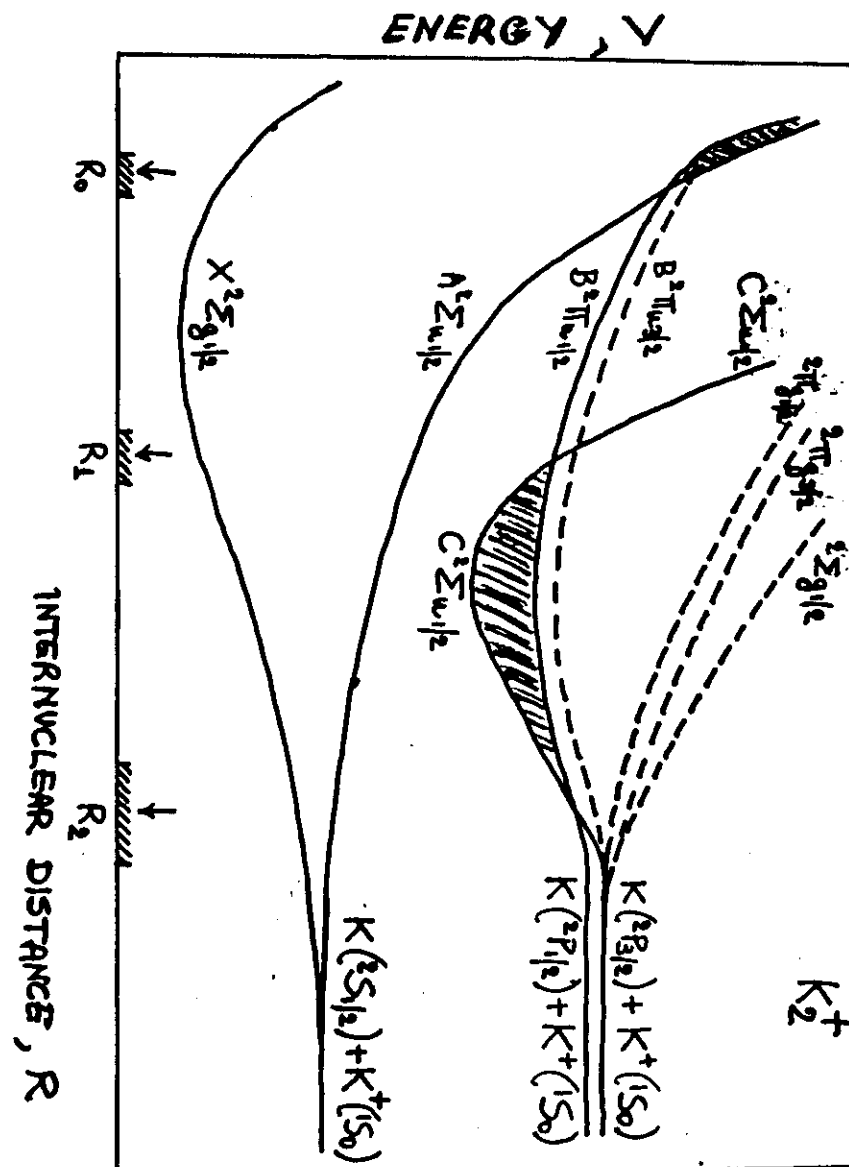
$A(v)$ contains the probability of a nonadiabatic transition at R_x

4. Long range interferences



$\langle E v \rangle \approx$ shaded area

$A(v)$ contains the transition probabilities at R_1 and R_2



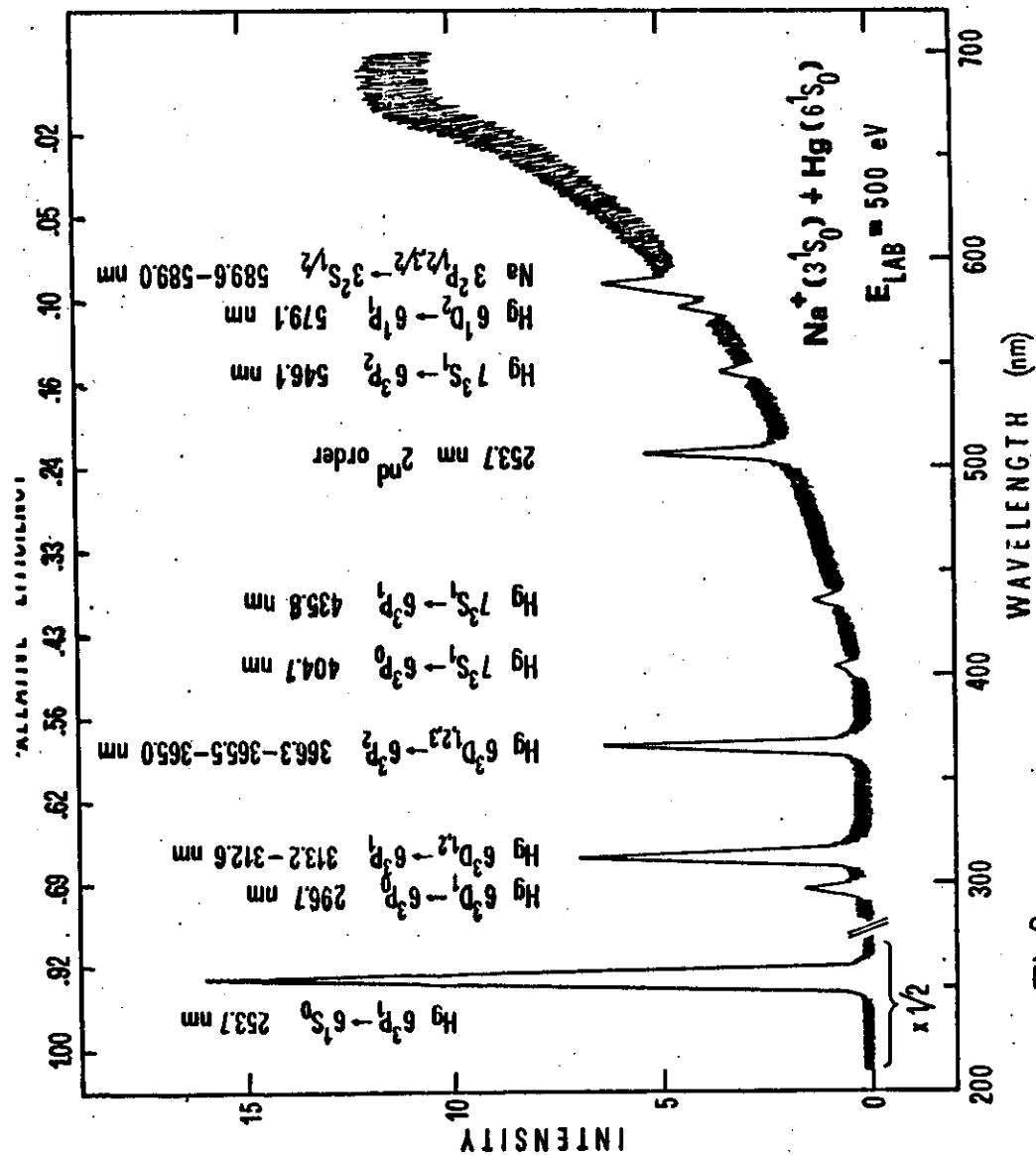
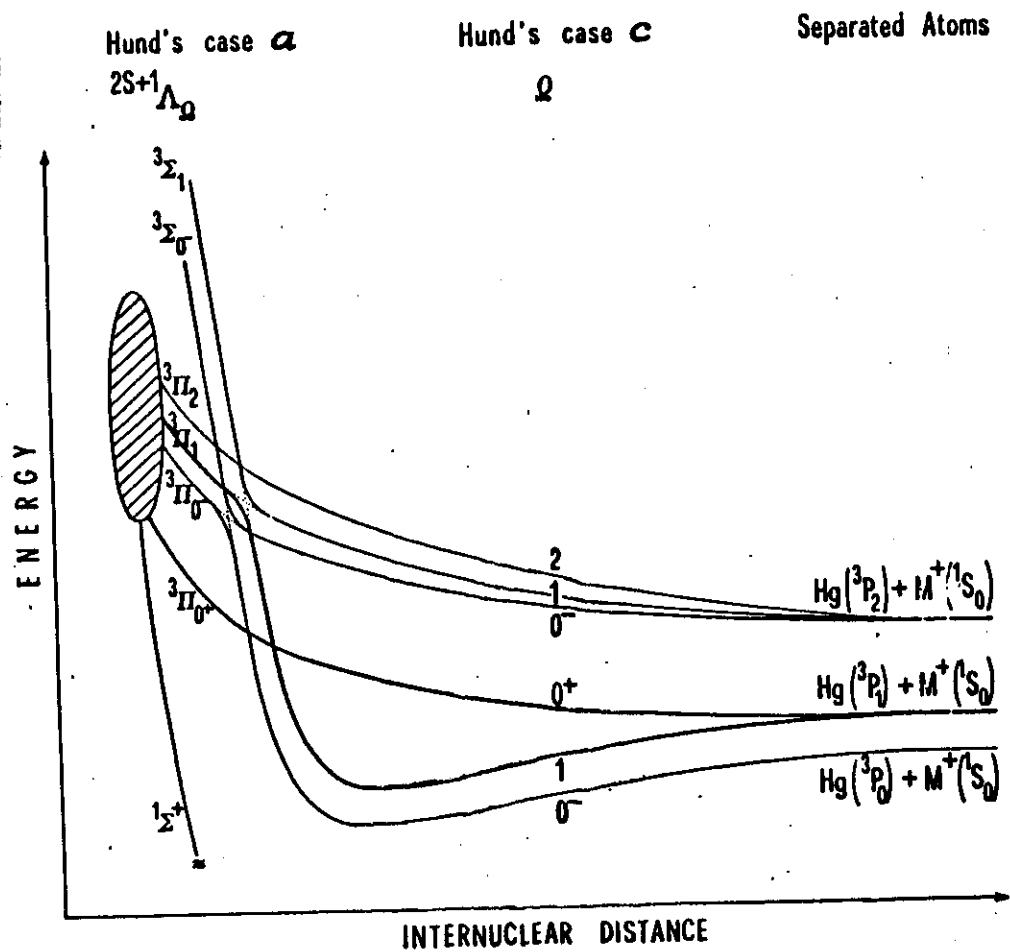


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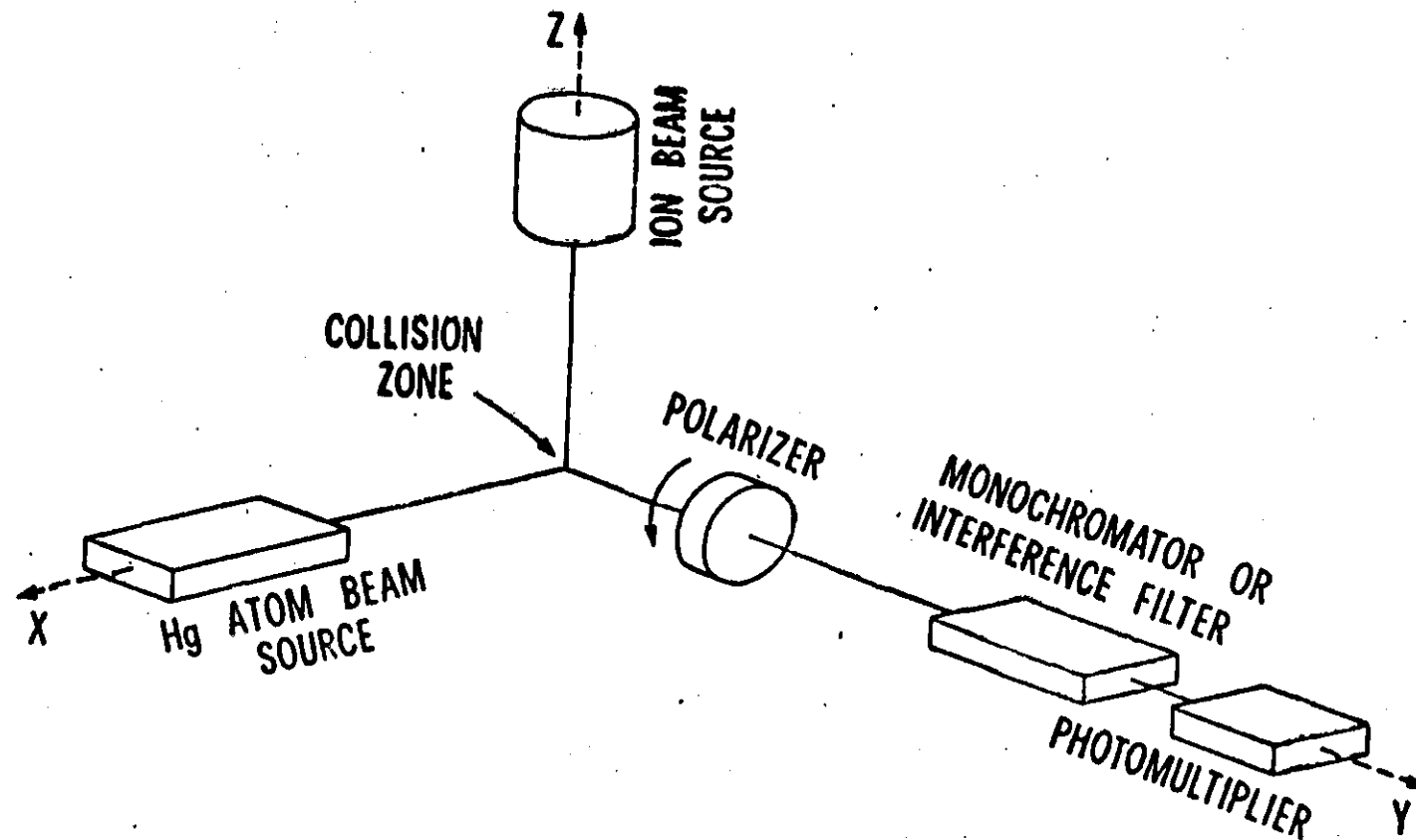


Fig. 1

④

Polarization fraction

$$P = \frac{I_{\parallel} - I_{\perp}}{I_{\parallel} + I_{\perp}}$$

Corrections for anisotropy for emission cross sections

$$Q(m \rightarrow n) = \frac{3-P}{3(1-P \cos^2 \theta)} Q(m \rightarrow n, \theta)$$

Cascade contributions to excitation cross sections

$$Q(j) = \sum_{j' > j} Q(j \rightarrow j') - \sum_{j'' > j} Q(j'' \rightarrow j)$$

For

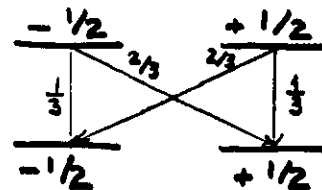


$$Q(6^3P_1) = \frac{3-P}{3} Q(6^3P_1 \rightarrow 6^1S_0, \pi/2)_{253.7 \text{ nm}} \\ - Q(7^3S_1 \rightarrow 6^3P_1)_{313 \text{ nm}} - Q(6^3D_{3/2} \rightarrow 6^3P_1)_{436 \text{ nm}}$$

$$\Delta m_j = 0 \Rightarrow I_{\parallel} \quad \Delta m_j = \pm 1 \Rightarrow I_{\perp} \quad P = \frac{I_{\parallel} - I_{\perp}}{I_{\parallel} + I_{\perp}}$$

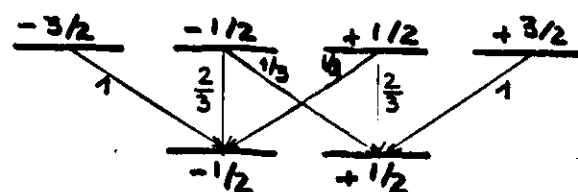
$$j \rightarrow j'$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$



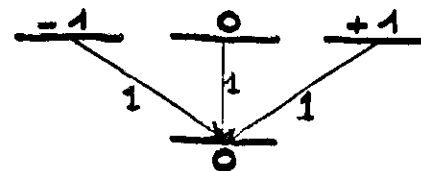
$$P=0$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$



$$P = \frac{3(Q_{1/2} - Q_{3/2})}{3Q_{3/2} + 5Q_{1/2}}$$

$$1 \rightarrow 0$$



$$P = \frac{Q_0 - Q_1}{Q_0 + Q_1}$$

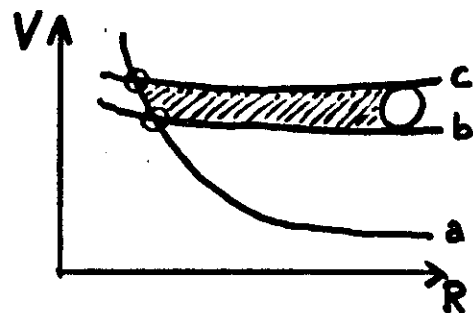
For $Hg(^3P_1 \rightarrow ^1S_0)$ [70% $I=0$; 17% $I=\frac{1}{2}$; 13% $I=\frac{3}{2}$]

$$Q(^3P_1) = Q_{-1} + Q_0 + Q_1 = Q_0 + 2Q_1$$

$$P = 0.70 \cdot \frac{Q_0 - Q_1}{Q_0 + Q_1} + 0.17 \cdot \frac{3(Q_0 - Q_1)}{7Q_0 + 11Q_1} + 0.13 \cdot \frac{11(Q_0 - Q_1)}{337Q_0 + 563Q_1}$$

⑥

- Long-range interference model for oscillations in total inelastic cross sections



$$Q_{ab} = \bar{Q}_{ab} + \Delta Q$$

$$Q_{ac} = \bar{Q}_{ac} - \Delta Q$$

$$\Delta Q = A(v) \cos \left[\frac{\langle \epsilon \rangle}{\hbar v} + \delta \right]$$

- Parametrize

$$Q_0 = \bar{Q}_0 + \Delta Q_0$$

$$Q_+ = \bar{Q}_+ + \Delta Q_+$$

- Take

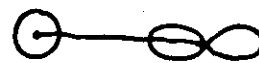
$$\bar{Q}_0 \approx \bar{Q}_+ \quad (\text{same threshold and similar average behavior})$$

$$\Delta Q_0 \approx -2\Delta Q_+ \quad (\text{flux lost by interference in } Q_0 \text{ is divided equally between } Q_+ \text{ and } Q_-, \text{ and viceversa})$$

- Deduce the interference term

OPEN SHELL ATOMS BEYOND SPHERICAL INTERACTIONS

Simplest example: S atom + P atom
e.g.



V_Σ



V_π

Define $V_0 = \frac{1}{3} V_\Sigma + \frac{2}{3} V_\pi$ spherical

$$V_2 = \frac{5}{3} (V_\Sigma - V_\pi) \quad \text{anisotropy}$$

fine structure transitions, orientation and polarization effects determined by electrostatic interaction, spin-orbit and Coriolis coupling

Theory: Angular Momentum Coupling Schemes
(Hund's cases)

J. Chem. Phys. 73, 1165 (1980)

Decoupling Approximations...

J. Chem. Phys. 73, 1173 (1980)

Orientation and Polarization Effects

Nuovo Cim. 63B, 7 (1981)

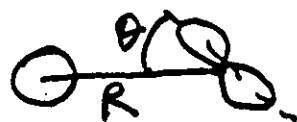
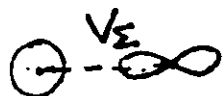
Experimental: O-Atoms (3P) + Rare Gas

J. Chem. Phys. 73, 1181 (1980)

F-Atoms (2P) + Xenon

Chem. Phys. Lett. 104, 221 (1984)

ATOM-ATOM ELECTROSTATIC INTERACTION



$$V = \sum_{\mu} v_{\mu}(R) P_{\mu}(\cos\theta)$$

Mies (1973)

Reid-Dalgarno (1969)

Generalize'n to any L (JCP 1980)

$$v_{\Lambda} = \sum_{\mu} \langle L0, \mu 0 | L0 \rangle \langle L1, \mu 0 | L1 \rangle v_{\mu}$$

$$v_{\mu} = \sum_{\Lambda} \frac{(2\mu+1) \langle L1, \mu 0 | L\Lambda \rangle}{\Lambda(2L+1) \langle L0, \mu 0 | L0 \rangle} v_{\Lambda}$$

Explicitly, L=1 (P atom)

$$v_{\Sigma} = v_0 + \frac{2}{5} v_2 \quad v_{\pi} = v_0 - \frac{1}{5} v_2$$

$$v_0 = \frac{1}{3} v_{\Sigma} + \frac{2}{3} v_{\pi} \quad v_2 = \frac{5}{3} (v_{\Sigma} - v_{\pi})$$

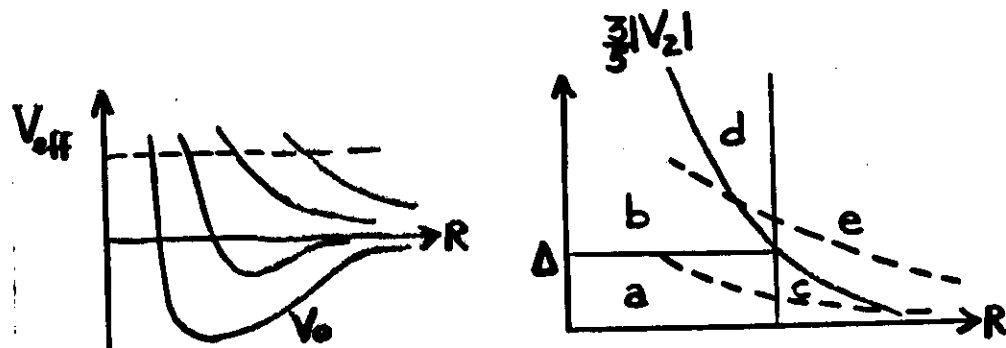
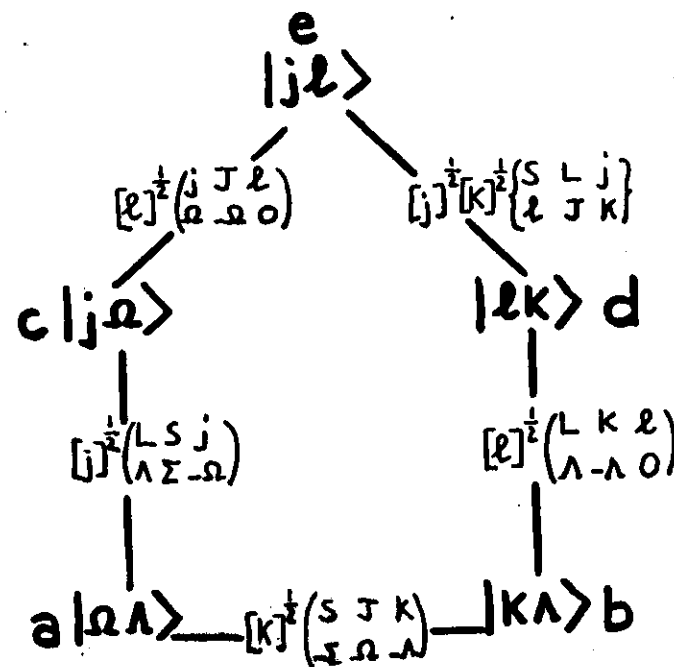
L=2 (D atom)

$$v_{\Sigma} = v_0 + \frac{2}{7} v_2 + \frac{2}{7} v_4 \quad v_{\pi} = v_0 + \frac{1}{7} v_2 - \frac{1}{21} v_4$$

$$v_{\Delta} = v_0 - \frac{6}{7} v_2 + \frac{1}{21} v_4$$

$$v_0 = \frac{1}{5} (v_{\Sigma} + 2v_{\pi} + 2v_{\Delta}) \quad v_2 = (v_{\Sigma} - v_{\Delta}) + (v_{\pi} - v_{\Delta})$$

$$v_4 = \frac{9}{5} (v_{\Sigma} - v_{\pi}) + \frac{3}{5} (v_{\Delta} - v_{\pi})$$



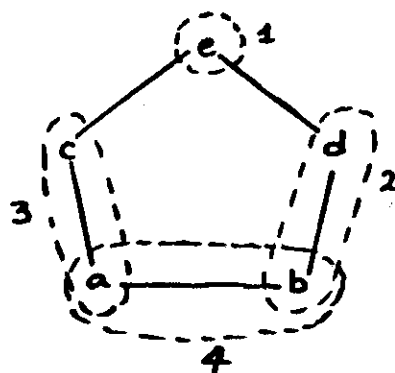
Δ = spin-orbit splitting

$$V_0 = \frac{1}{3} (V_{\Sigma} + 2V_{\pi})$$

$$V_2 = \frac{5}{3} (V_{\Sigma} - V_{\pi})$$

DECOUPLING SCHEMES

- (1) $\underline{V} = \underline{V}_0 \underline{1}$ atomic elastic
total decoupling in case (e)
- (2) $\underline{E} = E_0 \underline{1}$ K-conserving (spin uncoupling)
partial decoupling cases (d) or (b)
- (3) $\underline{L}^2 = L_0(L_0+1) \underline{1}$ Ω -conserving (cf. j_2 conserving)
partial decoupling cases (a) or (c)
- 4) (2) + (3) molecular elastic
total decoupling cases (a) or (b)



Angular momentum Spin-orbit Routes
 High Low (e) $\leftrightarrow$ (d) $\leftrightarrow$ (b)
 Low High (e) $\leftrightarrow$ (c) $\leftrightarrow$ (a) $\leftrightarrow$ (b)

atomic $\leftrightarrow$ molecular representations via
 space fixed $\leftrightarrow$ body fixed frame transformations

For each J: DIABATIC REPRESENTATIONS

$$\left[\left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + E \right) \underline{1} - \underline{U}(R) \right] \underline{u}(R) = 0$$

$$\underline{U} = \underline{E} + \frac{\hbar^2 \underline{L}^2}{2\mu R^2} + \underline{V}(R)$$

$\underline{E}$ eigenvalues E_j where $\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$
 $\underline{L}^2$ " $L(L+1)$ " $\vec{L} = \vec{J} - \vec{S}$
 $\underline{V}$ " V_Λ^s " Λ = projection of $\vec{L}$ on $\vec{R}$

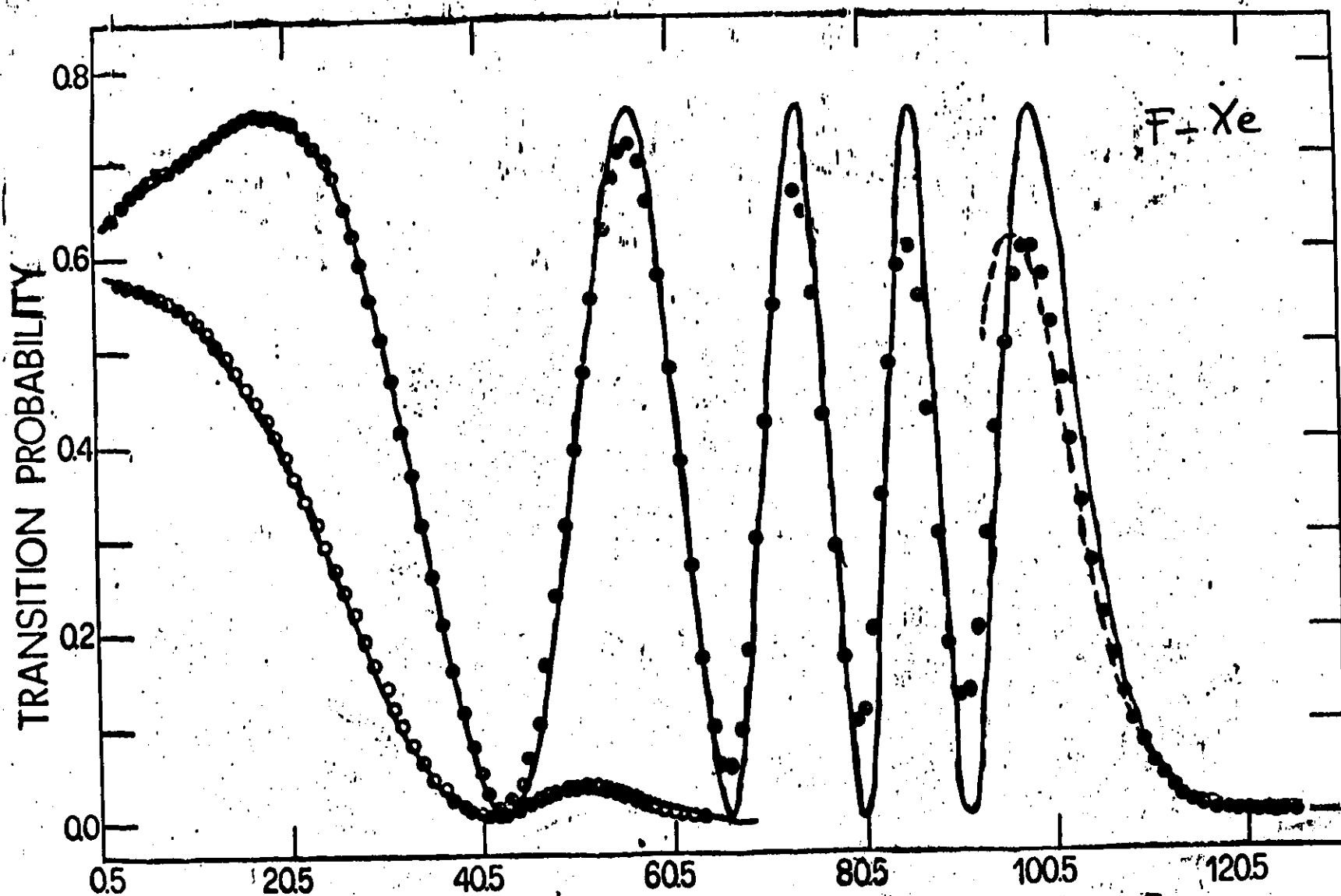
case	represent'n	$\underline{E}$	$\underline{L}^2$	$\underline{V}$
e)	$ j\ell\rangle$	diag.	diag.	not diag.
c)	$ j\Omega\rangle$	diag.	diag.	block diag.
a)	$ \Omega\Lambda\Sigma\rangle$	block diag.	not diag.	diag.
b)	$ K\Lambda\rangle$	block diag.	block diag.	diag.
d)	$ \ell K\rangle$	not diag.	block diag.	block diag.

Angular momenta J (total), L (electronic orbital), S (electronic spin) are conserved during the collision

$$\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$$

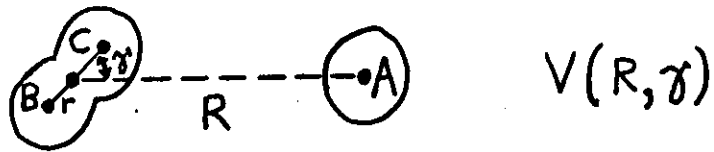
$$\vec{L} = \vec{J} - \vec{S}$$

$$\vec{K} = \vec{J} - \vec{S} = \vec{L} + \vec{L}$$



●●● Exact magnetic transitions within $^2P_{3/2}$
 ○○○ Exact $^2P_{3/2} \leftrightarrow ^2P_{1/2}$ transitions
 ——— Ω conserving approximations - - - - j conserving approximation

ATOM - DIATOM INTERACTION



$$V(R, \gamma) = V_0(R) + V_1(R) \cdot P_1(\cos \gamma) + V_2(R) \cdot P_2(\cos \gamma) + \dots$$

$$= \epsilon(\gamma) \cdot f(x), \quad x = \frac{R}{R_m(\gamma)}$$

where :

$$\epsilon(\gamma) = \bar{\epsilon} [1 + A_1 P_1(\cos \gamma) + A_2 P_2(\cos \gamma) + \dots]$$

$$R_m(\gamma) = \bar{R}_m [1 + B_1 P_1(\cos \gamma) + B_2 P_2(\cos \gamma) + \dots]$$

ANISOTROPY {

- Inelastic cross sections
- Total (elastic + inelastic) differential cross sections

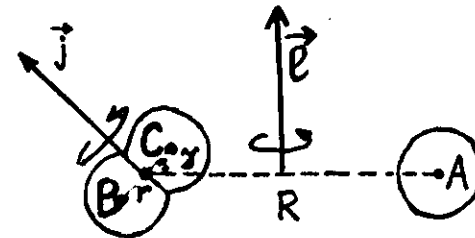
SPHERICAL {

- Total diff. cross sections
- Total integral cross sections
- Second virial coefficient
- Viscosity coefficient
- Diffusion coefficient

Approximate values of anisotropy

ATOM - DIATOM INTERACTION (A+BC)

$$\left[-\left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu}\right) \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \underline{U}^J(R) \right] \bar{\psi} = E \bar{\psi}$$



$$\underline{U}(R) = \underbrace{\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu R^2} j^2}_{\text{rotational term}} + \underbrace{\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu R^2} l^2}_{\text{centrifugal term}} + \underbrace{V(\vec{R}, \gamma)}_{\text{electrostatic term}}$$

Usual approximations

CENTRIFUGAL SUDDEN (CS) $l(l+1) \simeq \bar{l}(\bar{l}+1)$

ENERGY SUDDEN (ES) $j(j+1) \simeq \bar{j}(\bar{j}+1)$

INFINITE ORDER SUDDEN (IOS) $\text{IOS} = \text{CS} + \text{ES}$

ADIABATIC (within CS) (Aquilanti, Beneventi, Grossi, Vecchiocattivi, J.C.P. 89, 751 (1988))

Near separability

Atom-atom, internuclear distance R , other distances $\{\tau\} = \tau_{12}, \tau_{13}, \dots$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu} \Delta^{(3)} - \frac{1}{2m_i} \sum_i \Delta_i^{(3)} + V(R, \tau) - E \right) \Psi = 0$$

$H_{el}(R, \tau)$

$$H_{el} \Phi_i^a(R, \tau) = \epsilon_i^a(R) \Phi_i^a(R, \tau)$$

Φ_i^a eigenf. } adiabatic, parametrically
 ϵ_i^a curves } depending on R

$$\Psi = \sum \Phi_i^a(\tau, R) F_i^a(R)$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu} \left(\frac{d}{dR} + P(R) \right)^2 + \epsilon_i(R) - E \right) F_i^a(R) = 0$$

$$P_{ij}(R) = \langle \Phi_i^a, \frac{d}{dR} \Phi_j^a \rangle = \frac{1}{\epsilon_i - \epsilon_j} \langle \Phi_i^a, \frac{dV}{dR} \Phi_j^a \rangle$$

$$= -P_{ji}(R) \quad (\text{Hellmann-Feynman})$$

Elimination of first derivatives

$$\underline{F}^a = \underline{C} \underline{F}^d \quad \underline{C}^{-1} \underline{C}' = \underline{P}$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{2\mu} \frac{d^2}{dR^2} + \underline{V}^d - E \right] \underline{F}^d(R) = 0 \quad \underline{V}^d = \underline{C} E \underline{C}^{-1}$$

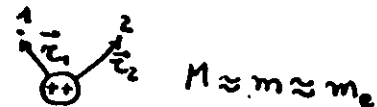
adiabatic representation,
not unique

-relativistic problem: solve first in $\tau, \theta, \dots$ parametrically in R , obtaining $E_{iv}^J(R), \Phi_{iv}^J(R, \tau)$
 Integrate coupled equations in R .

Rearrangement problem: brute force: coordinate changes during the integration.

Does it exist a near-separable coordinate for rearrangement scattering or in general for any many-body problem, even when one cannot use a manifest difference in masses, as in Born-Oppenheimer separation?

Helium-like atom



Fano, Macek, Klar:

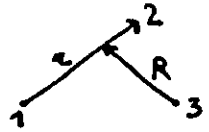
$$\rho = (\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2)^{1/2}$$

hyperradius of a 6-d sphere

For generalization to any masses, parametrization of angular coordinates, and hyperspherical expansion of the potential energy function, see
 V. Aquilanti, G. Grossi and A. Lagana,
 J. Chem. Phys. 76, 1587 (1982)

For three particles, $V = V(\tau_{12}, \tau_{13}, \tau_{23})$
 (3 coord. - 3 cm. coord $\Rightarrow$ 6 coord.)

Jacobi $m = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$; $M = \frac{m_3 (m_1 + m_2)}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}$



$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2M} \nabla_{\vec{R}}^2 - \frac{1}{2m} \nabla_{\vec{\tau}}^2 + V - E \right\} \Psi = 0$$

$$\vec{R} = (R, \theta_1, \phi_1)$$

$$\vec{\tau} = (\tau, \theta_2, \phi_2)$$

(orbital) $\downarrow$
 $Y_{\ell m_\ell}(\theta_1, \phi_1)$

$\downarrow$
 $Y_{j m_j}(\theta_2, \phi_2)$ (rotat'l)

Conservation of the total angular momentum
 $\vec{J} = \vec{j} + \vec{\ell}$

bipolar harmonic $y_{j\ell}^{JM}(\theta_1, \phi_1, \theta_2, \phi_2) =$
 $= \sum_{m_j m_\ell} \langle \ell m_\ell j m_j | JM \rangle Y_{\ell m_\ell} Y_{j m_j}$

Expanding Ψ in series of y

$$\left\{ -\frac{1}{2M} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial R^2} - \frac{1}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{2MR^2} + \frac{j(j+1)}{2m\tau^2} - E \right\} F_{j\ell}^J = \sum_{j'\ell'} V_{j'\ell'}^J F_{j'\ell'}^J$$

$$V_{j'\ell'}^J(\tau, R) = \langle y_{j\ell}^{JM} | V | y_{j'\ell'}^{JM} \rangle \quad M\text{-independent (Wigner-Eckart)}$$

$$V(\vec{\tau}, \vec{R}) = \sum_{j\ell} V_{j\ell}(\tau, R) y_{j\ell}^{JM}(\theta_1, \phi_1, \theta_2, \phi_2)$$

(This expansion of the potential in harmonics allows analytical evaluation of matrix elements (Racah))

Dynamics on Molecular Potential Energy Surfaces or

how quantum mechanics avoids classical chaos and catastrophes



the Perugia view

"... to my mind, the goal of atomic and molecular collision physics is the elucidation of elementary physico-chemical processes in quantum mechanical terms..."

Ugo Fano

quoted in Europhysics News August '86

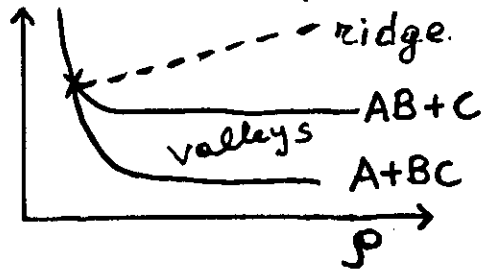
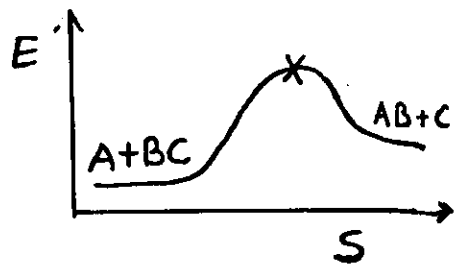
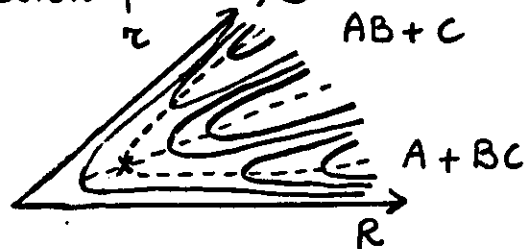
kinetic energy
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Potential energy
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chemical kinetics

Kinetic radius, ρ

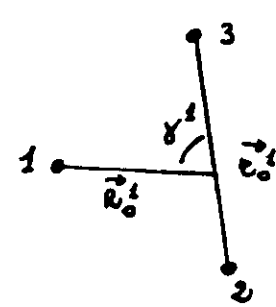
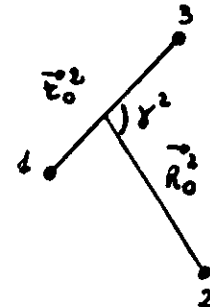
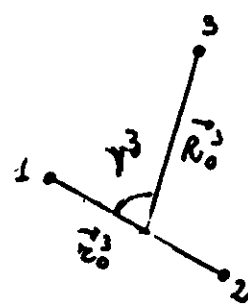
- (hyper)radius of $3(n-1)$ dim. sphere
- proportional to the n -body moment of inertia
- adiabatically separable variable (except ridges where nonadiabatic transitions are localized)
- alternative to reaction path, S



choice of ρ allows to treat

- large curvature (small m transferred)
- reaction $A+BC \rightarrow \begin{cases} AB+C \\ AC+B \end{cases}$ bifurcation
- $A+B+C$ dissociation
- quantization on hypersphere and continuum discretization

HYPERSPHERICAL COORDINATE



Alternative
Jacob
vectors

$$T = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu_{n,je}} \Delta_{\vec{r}_0^e} - \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu_{je}} \Delta_{\vec{r}_0^e}$$

$$\mu_{n,je} = \frac{m_n(m_j + m_e)}{m_n + m_j + m_e}$$

$$\mu_{je} = \frac{m_j m_e}{m_j + m_e}$$

$$\vec{R}^n = a_n \vec{R}_0^n \quad \vec{r}^n = a_n^{-1} \vec{r}_0^n$$

$$a_n = (\mu_{n,je} / \mu_{je})^{1/4}$$

$$T = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} (\Delta_{\vec{R}^n} + \Delta_{\vec{r}^n})$$

3-body reduced mass:

$$\mu = \left(\frac{m_j m_n m_e}{m_j + m_n + m_e} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$R^n = \rho \sin \chi^n \quad r^n = \rho \cos \chi^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\pi} (R^n)^2 + (r^n)^2 \quad \chi^n = \arctan\left(\frac{R^n}{r^n}\right)$$

hyper-radius hyperangle

$$T = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left[\rho^5 \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho^5 \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \right) + \rho^{-2} \Delta(\Omega_5) \right] =$$

$$= -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \Delta(\rho, \Omega_5)$$

6-space
Laplacian

HYPERSPHERICAL ADIABATIC REPRESENTATIONS

Chem. Phys. Lett. 93 174 (1982)

N-dimensional problem: a radial variable

ρ (hyperradius of the N-1 hypersphere) and N-1 angles Ω .

Adiabatic expansion

$$\vec{\Psi}(\rho, \Omega) = \vec{F}(\rho) \vec{\Phi}(\rho, \Omega)$$

where $\vec{\Phi}(\rho, \Omega)$ solves a N-1 dimensional problem with eigenenergies $\underline{\varepsilon}(\rho)$ parametrically dependent on ρ .

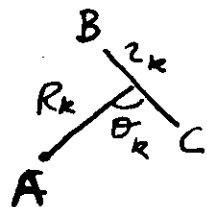
$$\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left[1 \frac{d}{d\rho} + \underline{P}(\rho) \right]^2 \vec{F}(\rho) = [\underline{\varepsilon}(\rho) - 1E] \vec{F}(\rho)$$

$\underline{\varepsilon}(\rho)$ matrix of adiabatic potential energy curves (diagonal)

$$P_{ij}(\rho) = -P_{ji}(\rho) = \langle \Phi_i | \frac{d}{d\rho} \Phi_j \rangle = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_j} \langle \Phi_i | \frac{\partial V}{\partial R} \Phi_j \rangle$$

→ NON-ADIABATIC COUPLING, exhibiting maxima at avoided crossings, changes in coupling schemes, ridges between modes

Alternative parametrization of hyperangles



$$\rho^2 = R_k^2 + r_k^2$$

$$\tan \chi_k = R_k / r_k \quad \text{mass scaled!}$$

$$k = ABC, ACB, \dots$$

Kuppermann mapping $\rho, \theta_k, 2\chi_k$

Felix Smith symmetric parametrization

$$\sin 2\chi_k \cos \theta_k = \cos 2\Theta \sin 2\Phi_k$$

$$\sin 2\chi_k \sin \theta_k = \sin 2\Theta$$

$$\cos 2\chi_k = \cos 2\Theta \cos 2\Phi_k$$

Φ_k = kinematic rotation

Θ = reduced area ($\sin \Theta = A/4\rho^2$)

[$\Theta = 0$, collinearity, $\Theta = \pi/4$ equilateral triangle]

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- TRANSITION BETWEEN MODES OF COUPLED OSCILLATORS (ridge effect)

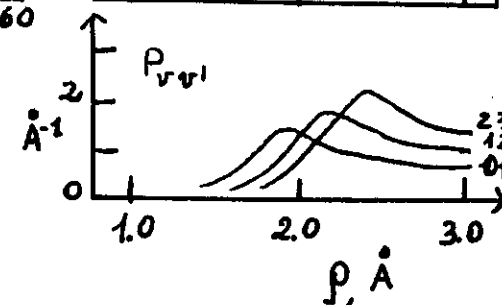
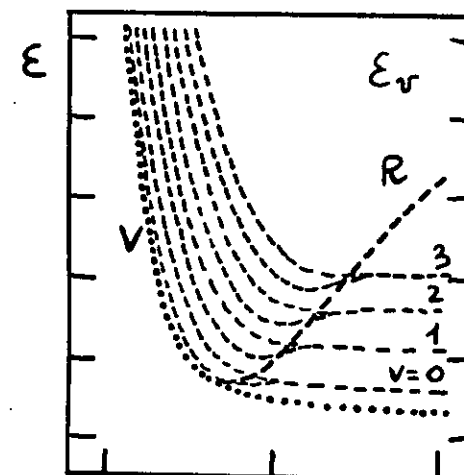
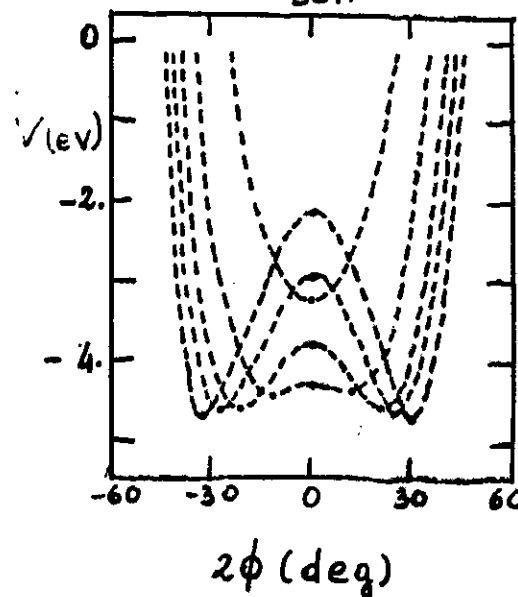
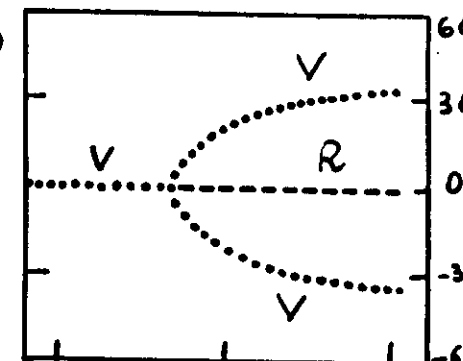
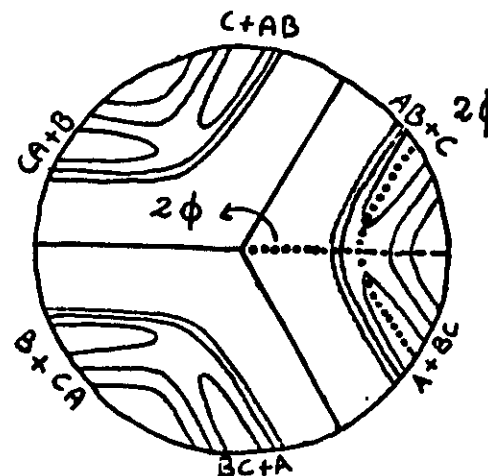
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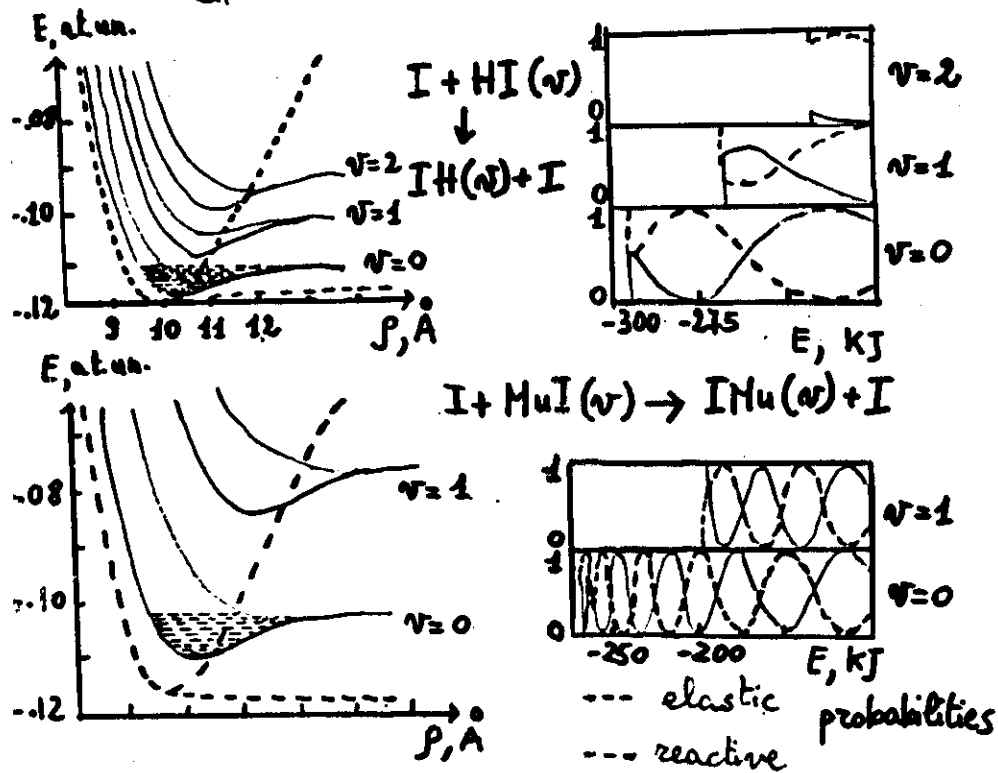
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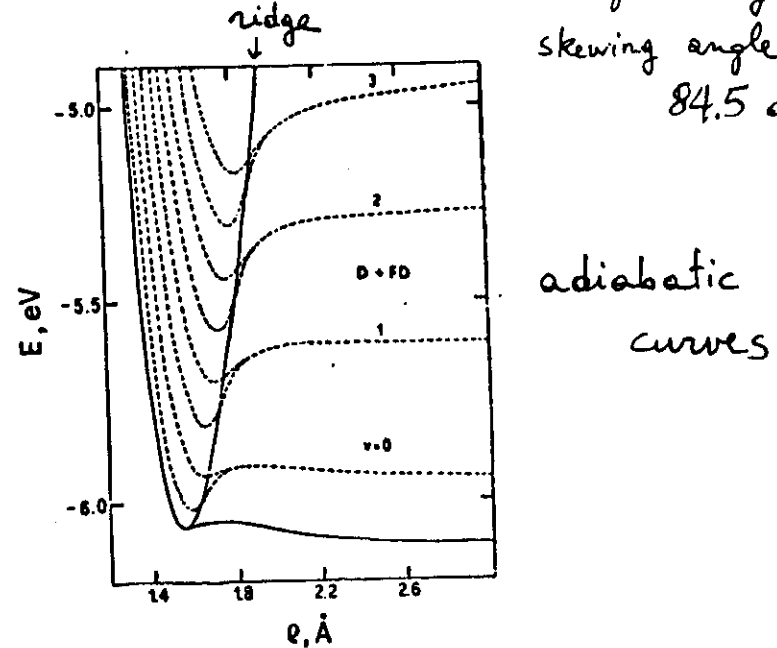
H + H₂ (nearly collinear)



Collinear IHI - IMuI



COLLINEAR D+FD light-heavy-light
skewing angle
84.5 deg.



Interferences: Chem. Phys. Lett. 93 179 (1982)
(and Resonances)

Three-body bound states on a purely
repulsive potential energy surface
(4 for IHI, 18 for IMuI): Hyperfine
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Adiabatic decoupling, semiclassical
approach. Heavy-light-heavy, small
skewing angle -

non adiabatic
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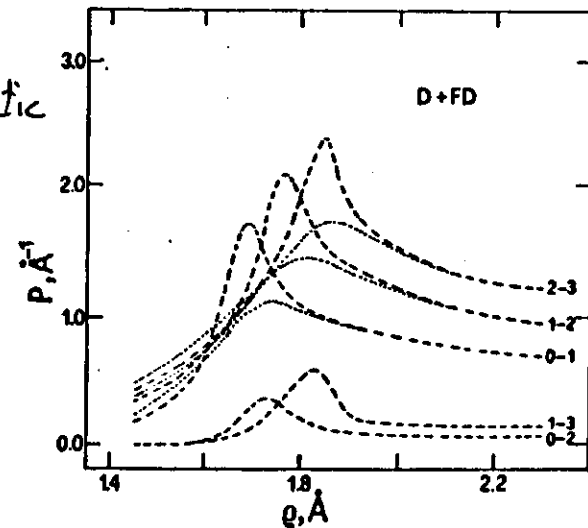
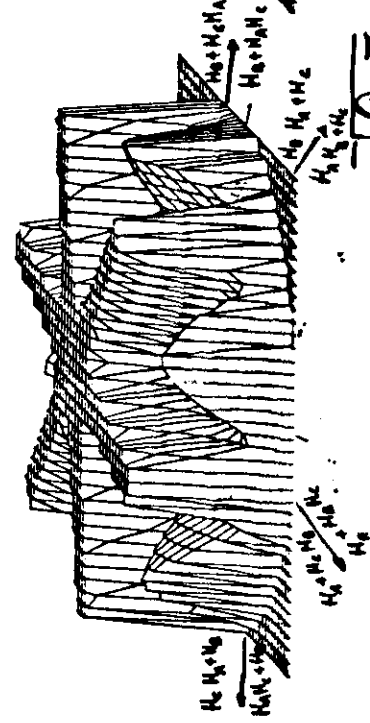


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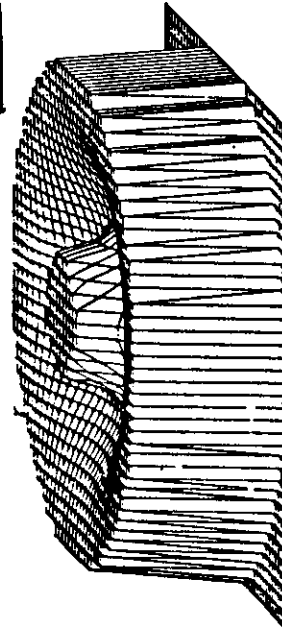
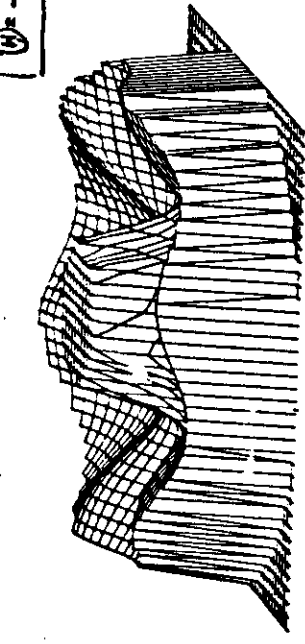
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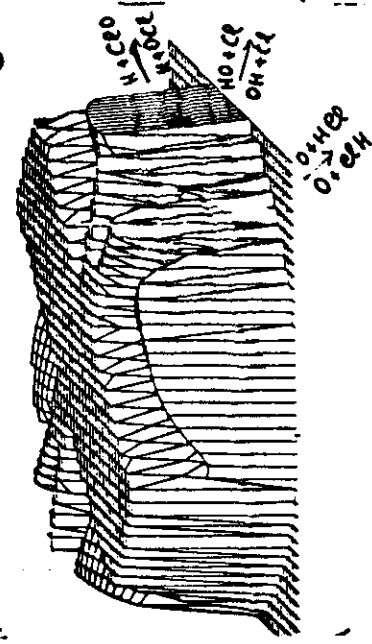


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An all channels representation of PES in press

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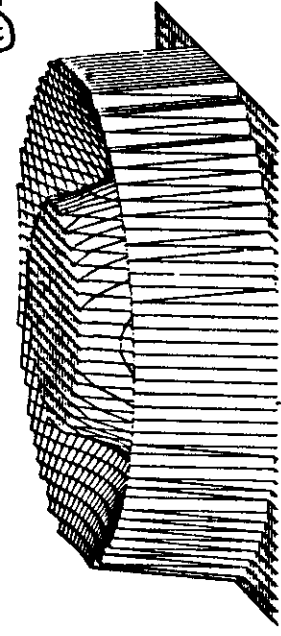
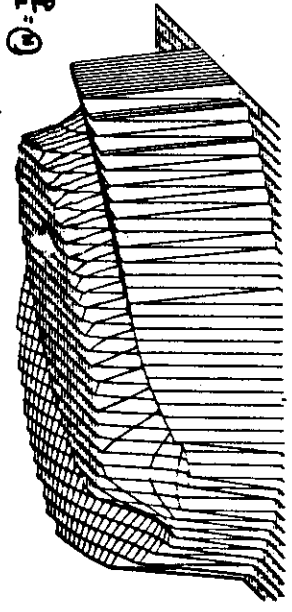
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Angular momentum barriers: quantum

Write the PES

$$V(\rho, \Omega_5) = V_0(\rho) + \bar{V}(\rho, \Omega_5)$$

where $V_0(\rho)$ valley bottom

and $\bar{V}(\rho, \Omega_5) \geq 0$

Adiabatic energy curves $\epsilon_n^J(\rho)$ are solutions of

$$\left\{ \frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu\rho^2} (\Lambda^2 + \frac{15}{4}) + V(\rho, \Omega_5) - \epsilon_n^J(\rho) \right\} \psi_n^J(\rho, \Omega_5) = 0$$

where Λ^2 is the grand angular momentum operator, acting in S^5 . Expanding in hyperspherical harmonics $Y_{\lambda, j, l}^{JM}(\Omega_5)$

$$\psi_n^J(\rho, \Omega_5) = \sum_{\lambda, j, l} \phi_{n\lambda}^{j,l}(\rho) Y_{\lambda, j, l}^{JM}(\Omega_5)$$

where $Y_{\lambda, j, l}^{JM}(\Omega_5)$ solve

$$\Lambda^2 Y_{\lambda, j, l}^{JM}(\Omega_5) = \lambda(\lambda+4) Y_{\lambda, j, l}^{JM}(\Omega_5)$$

Now

$$Y_{\lambda, j, l}^{JM}(\Omega_5) = Y_{\lambda, j, l}(\chi) \sum_{m_j, m_l} \langle j, l, m_j, m_l | J, M \rangle Y_{l, m_l}(\theta_1, \varphi_1) Y_{j, m_j}(\theta_2, \varphi_2)$$

where (V. Aquilanti et al. JCP 85, 1362 (1986)):

$$\lambda \geq j + l \quad \text{but also} \quad J \leq j + l$$

thus

$$\lambda \geq J$$

Therefore

$$\epsilon_n^J(\rho) \gg V_0(\rho) + \frac{J(J+4) + 15/4}{2\mu\rho^2}$$

This result is similar to, but stronger, than Pollak, Schlier, Child, ..., who do not exploit hyperspherical coordinates and use classical mechanics.

Angular momentum barriers:
classical stability analysis.

Much sharper results can be obtained by classical mechanics. In Smith's coordinates (see e.g. Johnson, JCP 79, 1906 (1983)) we obtain for the Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2\mu} \left[P_p^2 + \frac{4}{p^2} L^2(\theta, \phi) \right] + \frac{P_\gamma(P_\gamma + 4P_\phi \sin 2\theta)}{2\mu p^2 \cos^2 2\theta} + \frac{(J^2 - P_\gamma^2)}{\mu p^2 \sin^2 2\theta} [1 + \cos 2\theta \cos 2\gamma] + V(p, \theta, \phi)$$

containing internal coordinates p, θ, ϕ and only one Euler's angle γ . Stability analysis requires we look for critical points for the effective potential ($\nabla V = 0$)

$$V_{\text{eff}} = V(p, \theta, \phi) + \frac{J^2}{\mu p^2} f(\theta, \gamma)$$

The condition $\frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \gamma} = 0 \rightarrow \cos 2\gamma = -1$

($\gamma = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$) for $0 \leq \theta < \frac{\pi}{4}$ gives:

$$V_{\text{centrifugal}} \gg \frac{J^2}{\mu p^2} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \cos 2\theta} \right)$$

The further conditions

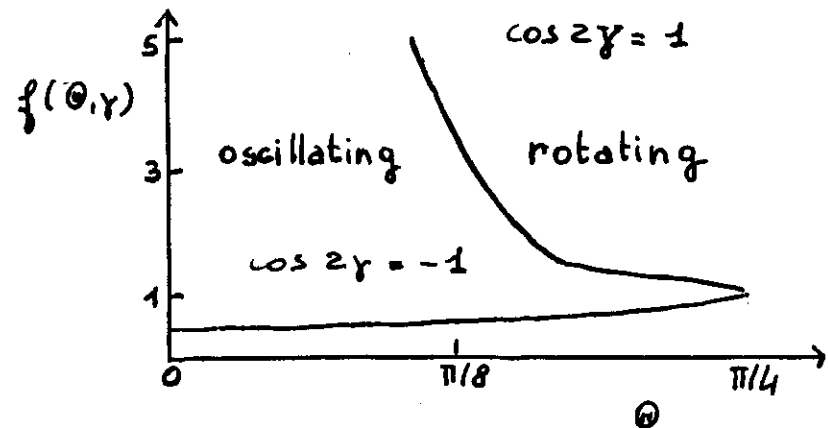
$$\frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \theta} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \phi} = 0$$

fix valley bottom line and ridge line as a function of p .

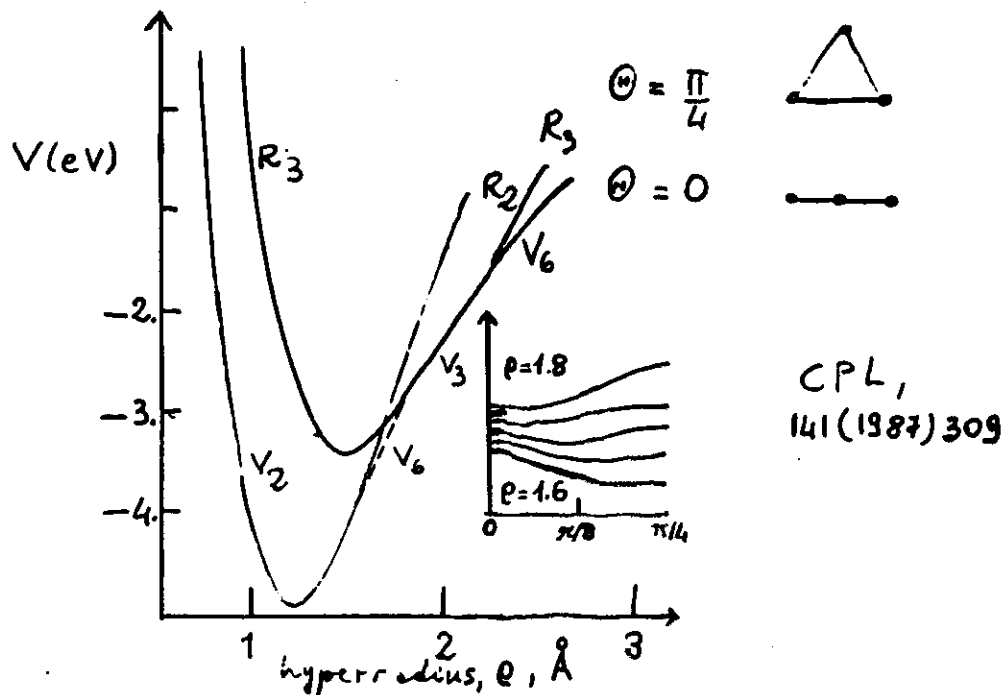
[the further condition $\frac{\partial V}{\partial p} = 0$ gives overall minima and saddles of the whole surface].

$$f(\theta, \gamma) = \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta \cos 2\gamma}{\sin^2 2\theta} \quad \text{Angular part of } V_{\text{centr}}$$

Pendulum like modes

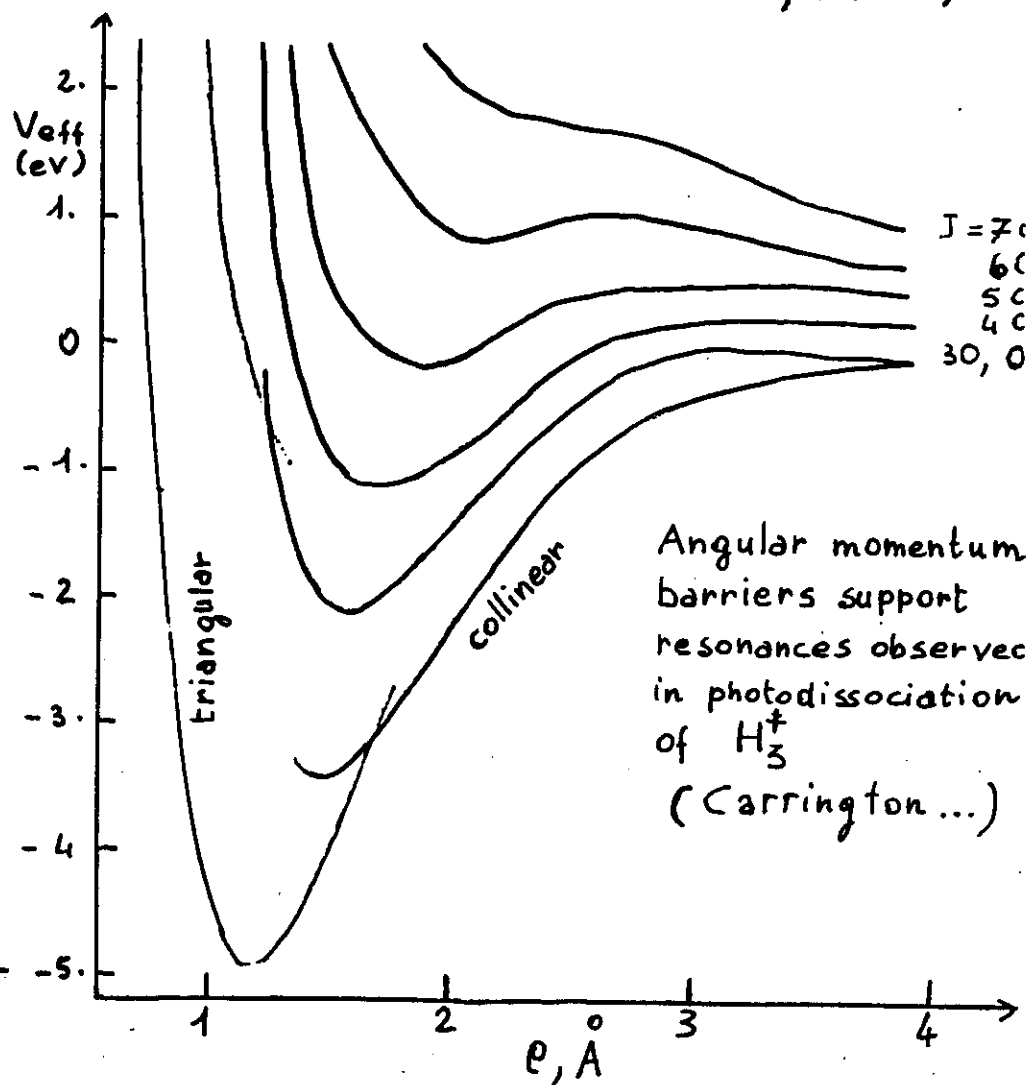


Valley bottoms and ridges for H_3^+
(Tully-Preston's DIM surface) as an
example of transition between triangular
and collinear configuration.



At short ρ , $\theta = \pi/4$ is a minimum and there are three saddles at $\theta = 0$ (elliptic umbilic catastrophe, cf. Hénon-Heiles potential (Aquilanti et al. in Chaotic Behavior..., Plenum 1985; CPL 110, 43 (1984))). At larger ρ , $\theta = \pi/4$ is a saddle and three saddles at $\theta = 0$ are now minima corresponding as before to the cusp catastrophe typical of collinear reactions.

Angular momentum favours collinear configurations...
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The search for extrema in PES as a function of ρ is basic to dynamic studies

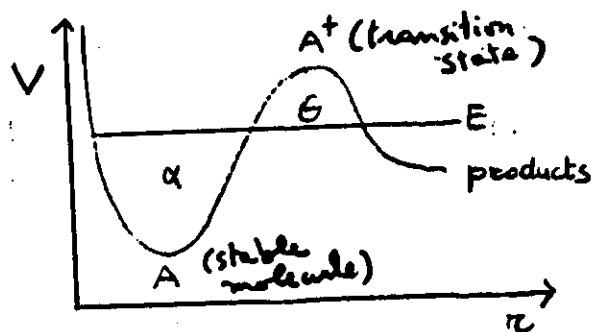
QUANTUM RESONANCE LIFETIMES AND UNIMOLECULAR RATE CONSTANTS.

$$E = E_R - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma \quad \text{poles of } S \text{ matrix.}$$

$$\exp[-iEt/\hbar] = \exp[iE_R t/\hbar] \exp[-\Gamma t/2\hbar] \quad \begin{matrix} \text{time} \\ \text{evolution} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{lifetime } \tau = \hbar/\Gamma \quad K = \tau^{-1} = \Gamma/\hbar \quad \begin{matrix} \text{micro can.} \\ \text{onical} \\ \text{rate} \\ \text{constant} \end{matrix}$$

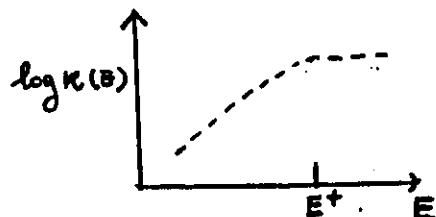
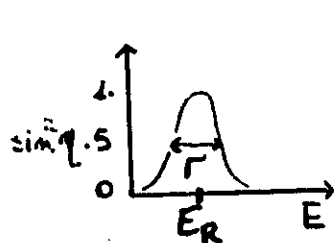
monodimensional case.



$$S = e^{2i\eta}.$$

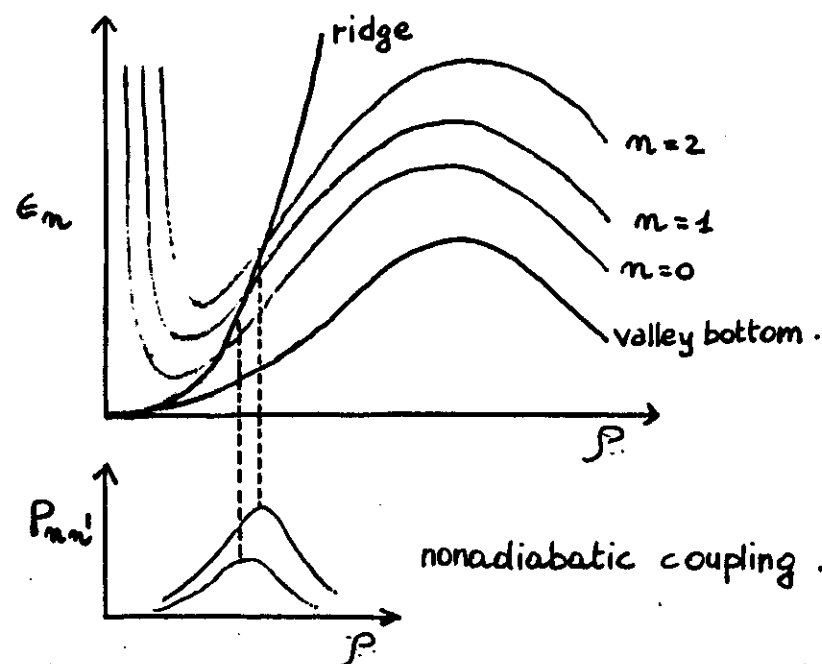
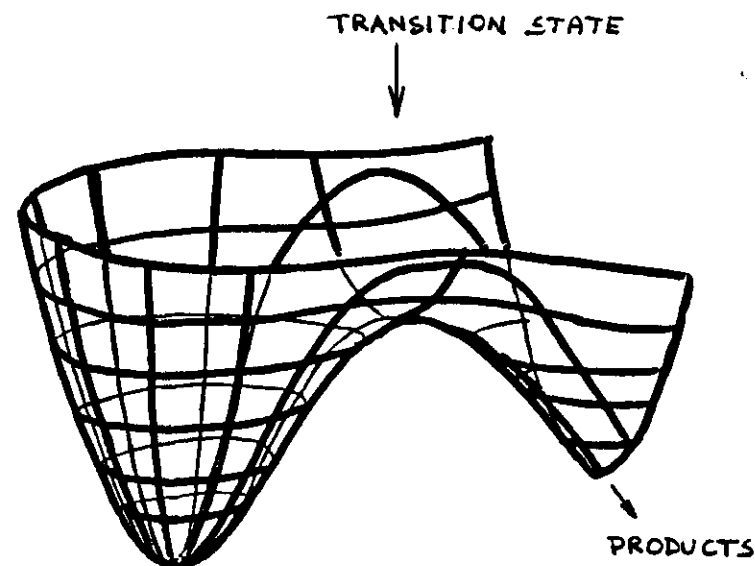
α, θ = well and tunnel phase integral.

$$\eta = \arctan \left\{ \frac{[(e^{2\theta} + 1)^{1/2} - 1]}{[(e^{2\theta} + 1)^{1/2} + 1]} \tan \alpha \right\} \quad \text{scattering phase shift}$$

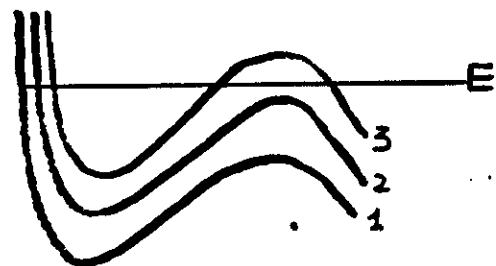


Gamow: $K = \Gamma/\hbar = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} e^{-2\theta}$ (cf. Bohr $\rightarrow$ RRK nuclear fission α decay)

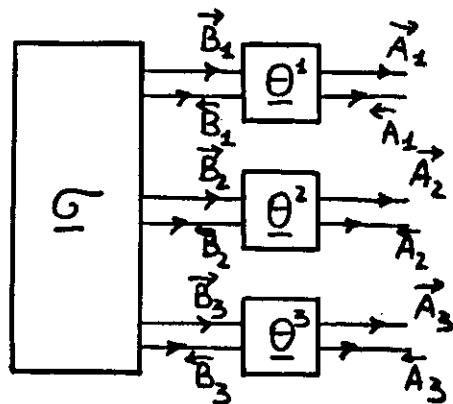
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MULTICHANNEL SCATTERING MATRIX



κ^{-2} tunnel probability



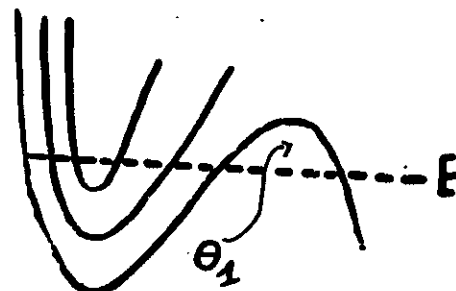
$$\vec{B} = S \vec{A}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \vec{A}_1 \\ \vec{A}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vec{A}_n \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\left[(1 + \kappa^2)^{1/2} + i \underline{\underline{S}} \kappa \right]^{-1} \left[-i \kappa + \underline{\underline{S}} (1 + \kappa^2)^{1/2} \right]}_{\underline{\underline{S}}} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{A}_1 \\ \vec{A}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vec{A}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det [(1 + \kappa^2)^{1/2} + i \underline{\underline{S}}] = 0$$

$$E = E_R - i \Gamma/2 \quad \tau = \hbar/\Gamma \quad \kappa = \tau^{-1}$$

ONE EXIT CHANNEL.



eigenphase analysis of the intramolecular motion.

$$\underline{\underline{S}} = \underline{\underline{I}} e^{i \underline{\underline{\delta}}} \underline{\underline{I}}^T \quad \underline{\underline{\delta}} \text{ eigenphases.}$$

$$\underline{\underline{I}} \in SO(n)$$

$$\Delta = \arctan \left\{ \frac{(1 + e^{2\theta_1})^{1/2} - 1}{(1 + e^{2\theta_1})^{1/2} + 1} \tan \Delta \right\}$$

scattering phase

$$\tan \Delta = \sum_{j=1}^n t_{j1}^2 \tan(\delta_j + \pi/4) \quad t_{j1} \text{ one row of } \underline{\underline{I}}$$

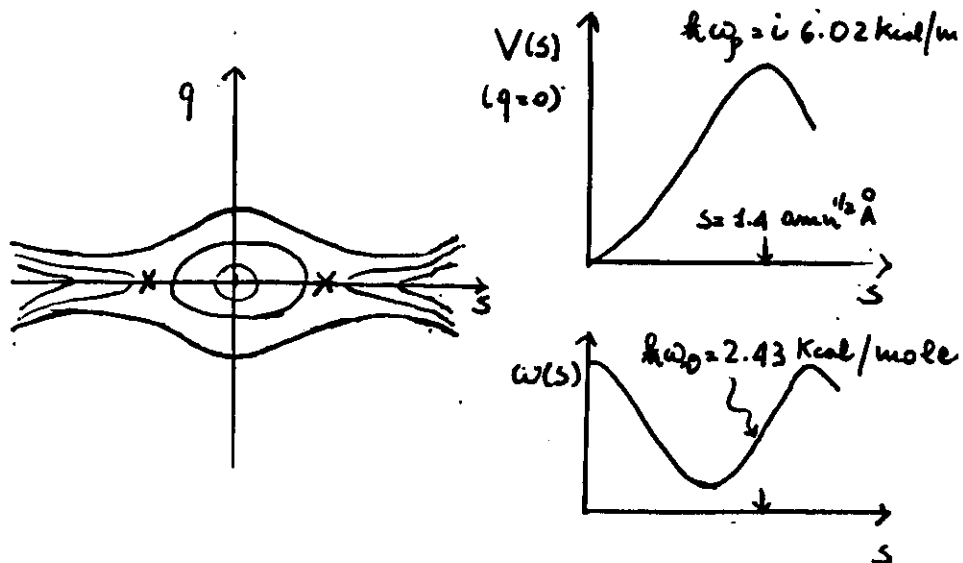
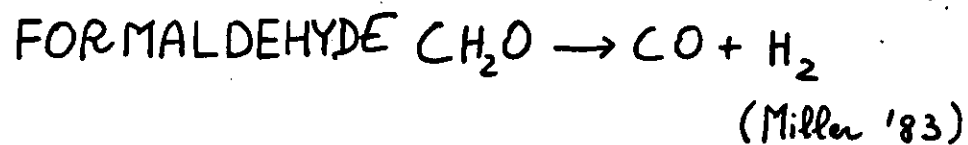
Limits:

1. adiabatic
2. statistical
3. sudden RZ

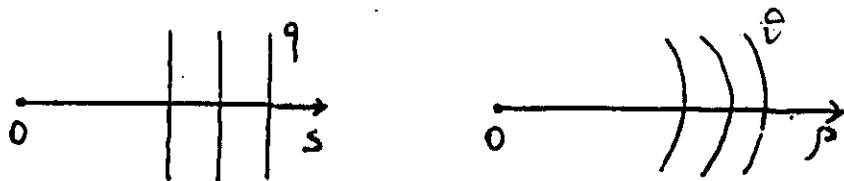
$$t_{j1} = \delta_{j1}$$

$$t_{j1} = 1/n$$

$$t_{j1} = 2^{-1/2}$$



for $s \gg 0$, along the reaction path, $q \approx 0$



in the neighborhood of the saddle

$$V(s, q) = V_s(s) + \frac{1}{2} \omega(s) q^2 \approx V(\rho, \vartheta) = V_s(\rho) + \frac{1}{2} \omega(\rho) \rho^2 - \frac{1}{2} \omega(\rho) \rho^2 \cos 2\vartheta = V_0(\rho) - V_2(\rho) \cos 2\vartheta$$

$$V_0 - V_2 = V_s \quad \text{valley bottom}$$

$$V_0 + V_2 = V_s + \omega(\rho) \rho^2 \quad \text{ridge}$$

SEMICLASSICAL LIMIT: ASYMPTOTICS IN $\hbar$

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dr^2} + \frac{p^2(r)}{\hbar^2} \right) \psi(r) = 0$$

where: $p^2(r) = 2m[E - V(r)]$

Assume: $\psi(r) = \exp[iS(r)/\hbar]$

(1) $i\hbar \frac{d^2}{dr^2} S(r) - \left[\frac{d}{dr} S(r) \right]^2 + p^2(r) = 0$ Riccati equation

Neglecting $\hbar$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Hamilton-Jacobi equation} \\ S'(r) = \pm p(r) \end{array} \right.$

WKB expansion

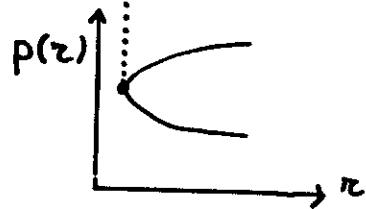
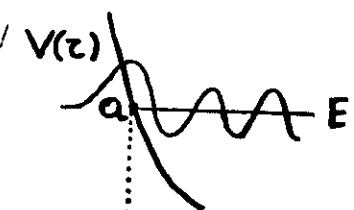
$$S(r) = S_0(r) + \hbar S_1(r) + \cancel{\hbar^2 S_2(r)} + \dots$$

in (1) gives the semiclassical wavefunctions

$$\psi(r) = C \exp[i(S_0 + \hbar S_1)] = C \left[\frac{p(r)}{\hbar} \right]^{1/2} \exp\left[\pm i \int [p(r)/\hbar]^{1/2} dr\right]$$

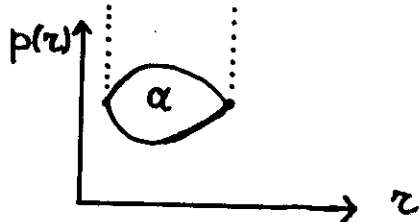
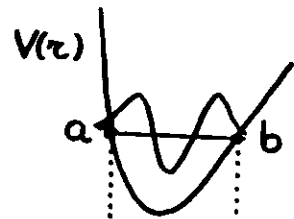
to be amended whenever $p(r) = 0$ or $E = V(r)$ (turning points)

Semiclassical phaseshifts, bound states, resonance



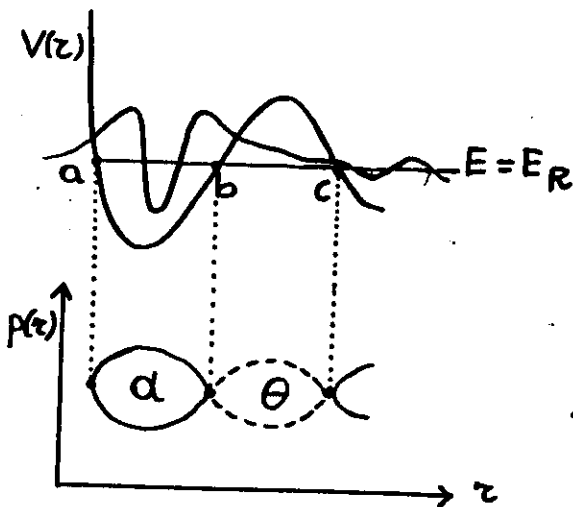
$$\delta = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \left[\int_0^z \frac{p(z)}{\hbar} dz + \frac{p_0 z}{\hbar} + \frac{\pi}{4} \right]$$

↑
phaseshift



Bohr-Sommerfeld
quantization rule

$$\alpha = \int_a^b \frac{p(z)}{\hbar} dz = (n + \frac{1}{2})\pi$$



$$E_R \approx (n + \frac{1}{2}) \hbar \omega$$

$$\Gamma \approx \frac{\hbar \omega}{2\pi} e^{-2\theta}$$

↑
resonance width

Canonical
form

Comparison
Eq. $\approx$

Examples

• • • • • one-dimensional • • • • •

x

Airy

1D WKB phaseshifts

$$\frac{1}{2}x^2 - \epsilon$$

Weber-
Hermite

Bohr Sommerfeld
quantization.

$$\frac{1}{3}x^3 + ax - \epsilon$$

Fold
Catastrophe

Tunneling
Resonances

$$\frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{2}ax^2 + bx - \epsilon$$

Cusp
Catastrophe

Near collinear
reaction

• • • • • two-dimensional • • • • •

$$-\frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) + \lambda(xy^2 - \frac{x^3}{3})$$

Elliptic
Umbilic

Stretching and
Decomposition of
Bent Molecules

$$\frac{1}{2}p^2 - \lambda p^3 \cos \frac{3\phi}{3}$$

Cata-
strophe.

Henon-Heiles
Coupled oscillators
(onset of
chaos)

• • • • • periodic boundary conditions • • • • •

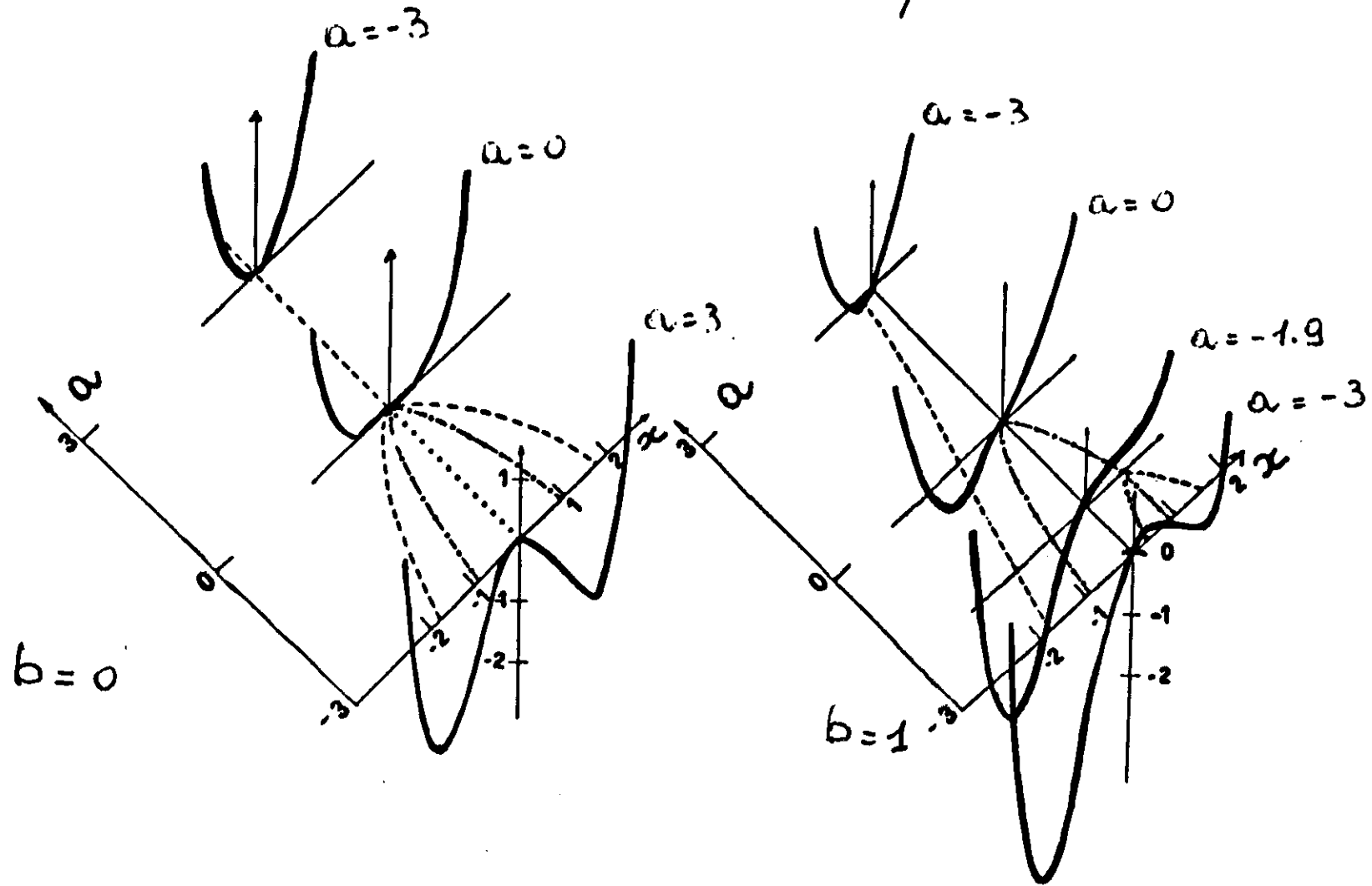
$$q \cos \phi - \epsilon$$

Mathieu

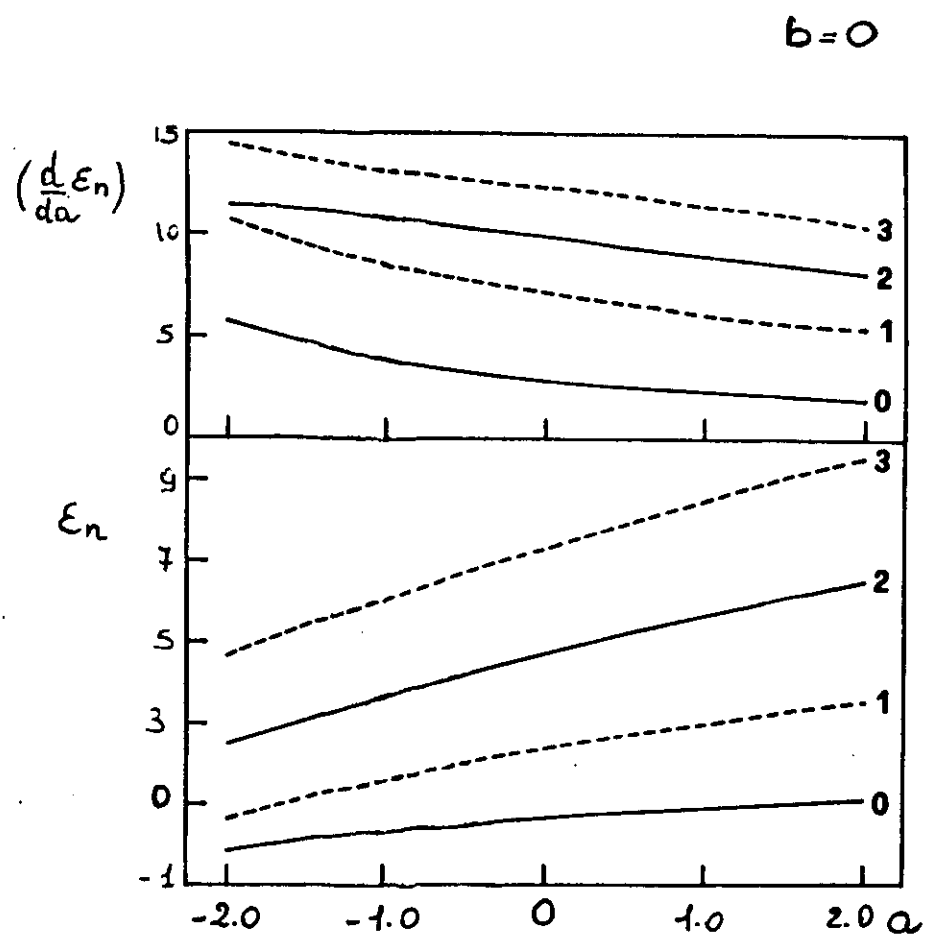
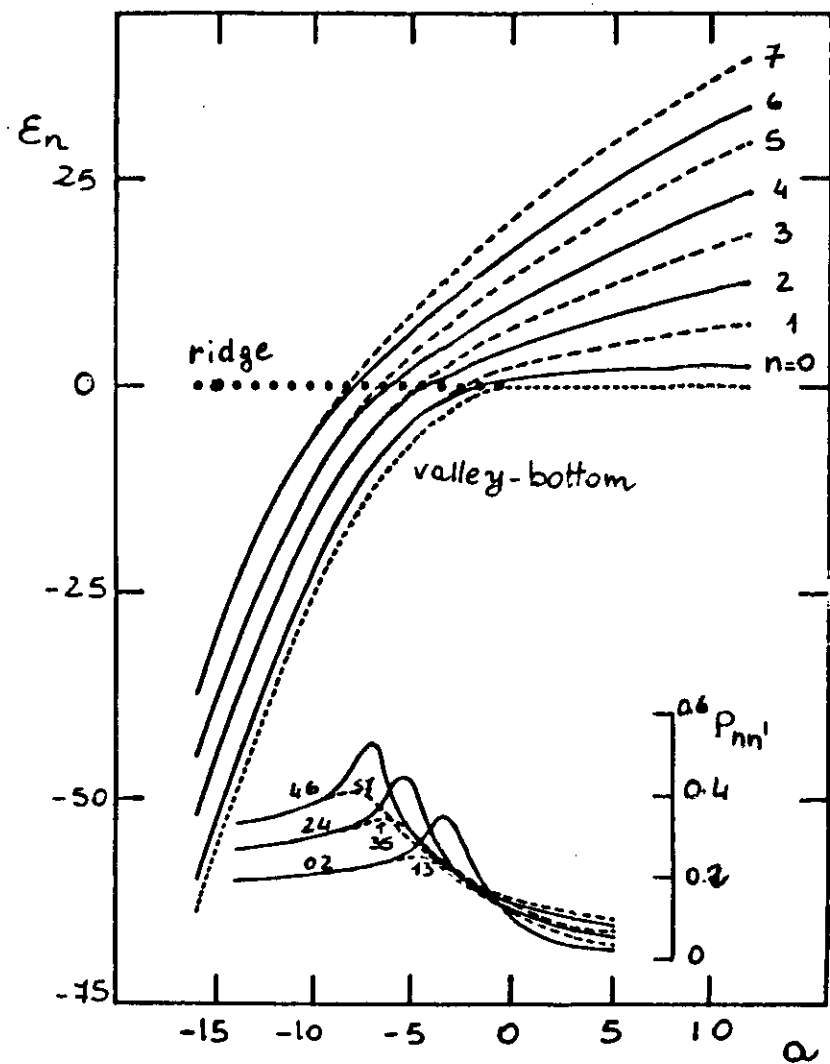
Quantum
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See notes on mathematical background.

the cusp catastrophe

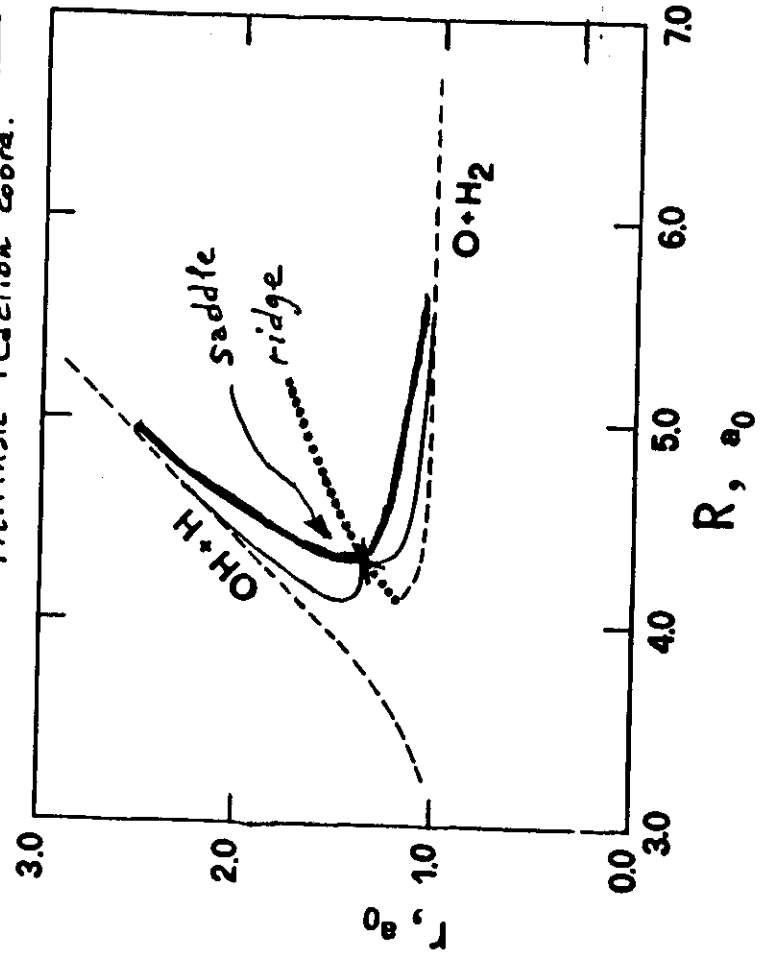


$$\frac{1}{4} x^4 + \frac{1}{2} a x^2 + b x$$



Ab initio PES for $O(^3P) + H_2 \rightarrow OH + H$

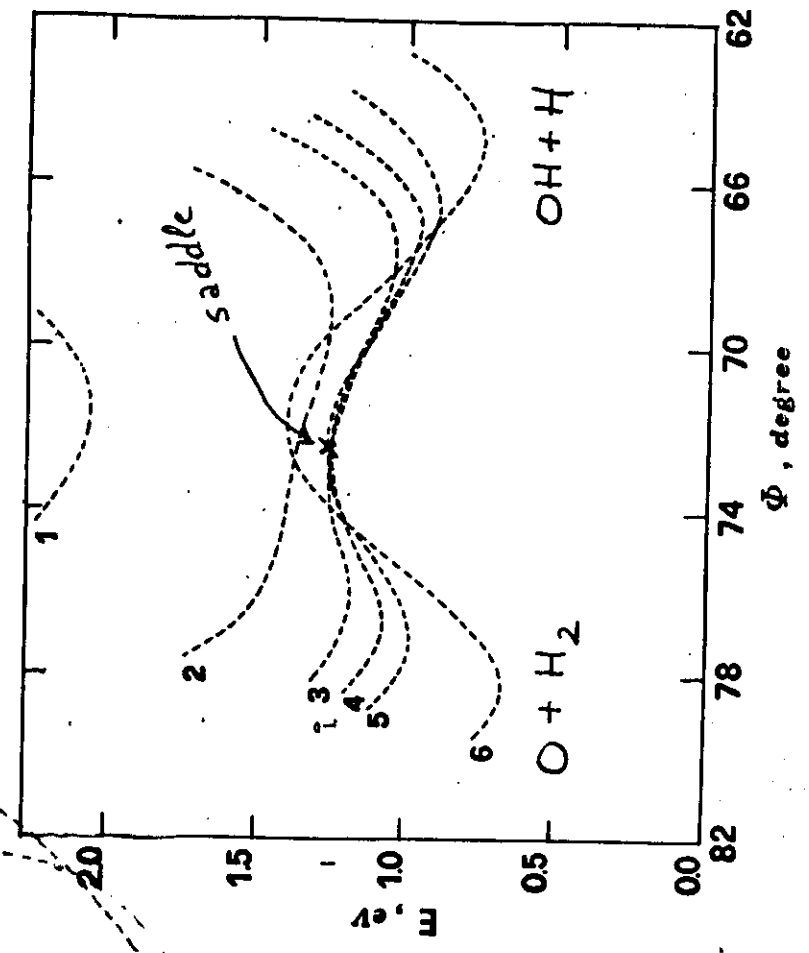
kinetic paths --- valleys
 minimum energy path ridge
 intrinsic reaction coord. —

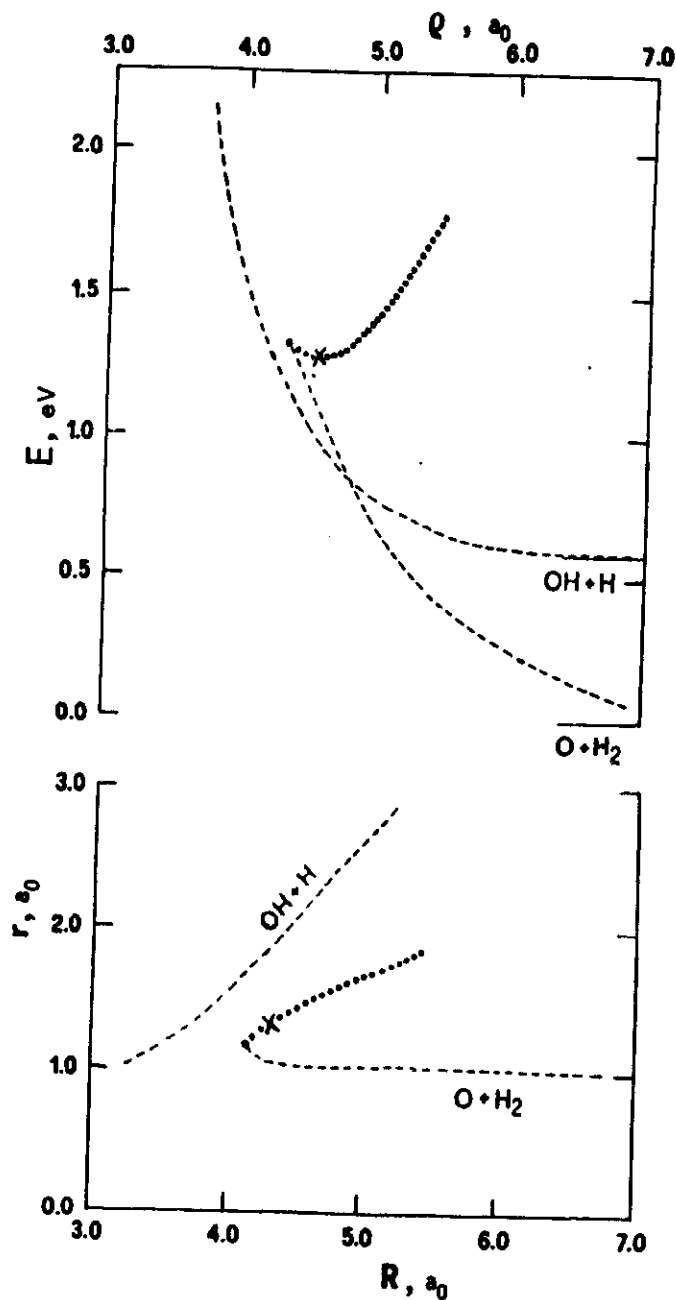


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Ab initio PES for $O(^3P) + H_2 \rightarrow OH + H$ reaction

Cuts of the surface at fixed, progressive values of the hyper-radius in the region around the saddle.





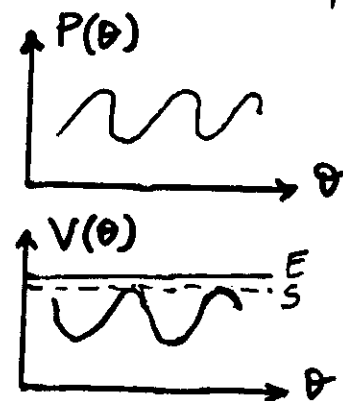
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AND THE RIDGE EFFECT

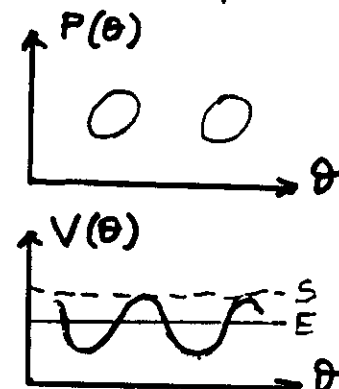
TRANSITIONS between MODES

normal, rotating,
precessing, Q_I
intermediate complex

local, vibrating,
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reactants & products



regular



irregular

chaotic, non EBK quantizable, N

classical.
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PENDULUM

elliptic functions
Mathieu functions
elliptic integrals

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QUANTUM PENDULUM: Mathieu eigenvalues and P-matrix elements

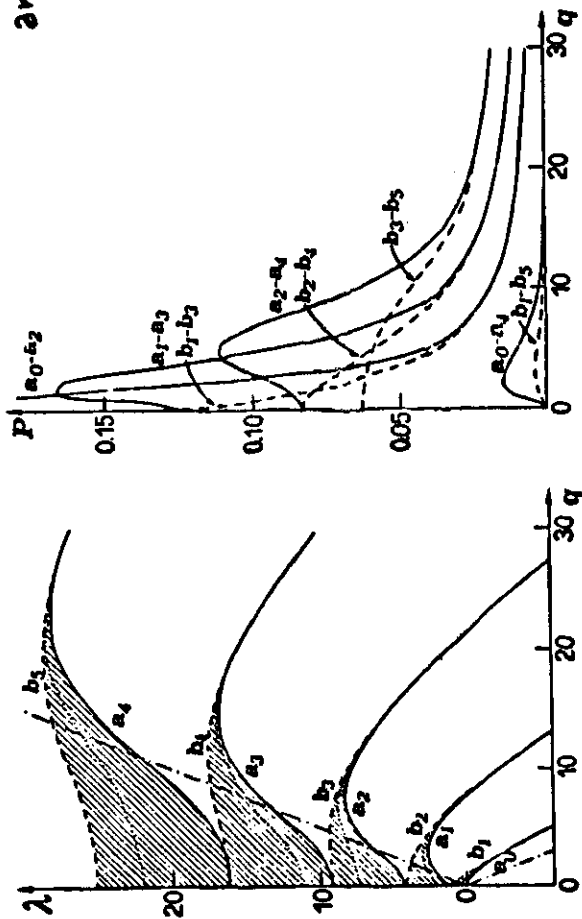


Fig. 2

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HYPERSPHERICAL ADIABATIC REPRESENTATION

$$\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} + \underline{P}(r) \right]^2 \vec{F} = [\underline{E}(r) - E] \vec{F}$$

$\underline{E}(r)$ = adiabatic diagonal matrix

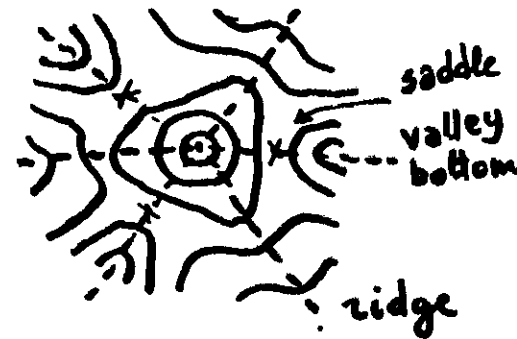
$$P_{ij}(r) = -P_{ji}(r) = \langle \varphi_i | \frac{d}{dr} \varphi_j \rangle = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_j} \langle \varphi_i | \frac{dV}{dr} \varphi_j \rangle$$

(large at avoided crossings, ridges, ...)

HÉNON - HEILES

$$V(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) +$$

$$\lambda(xy^2 - \frac{x^3}{3})$$



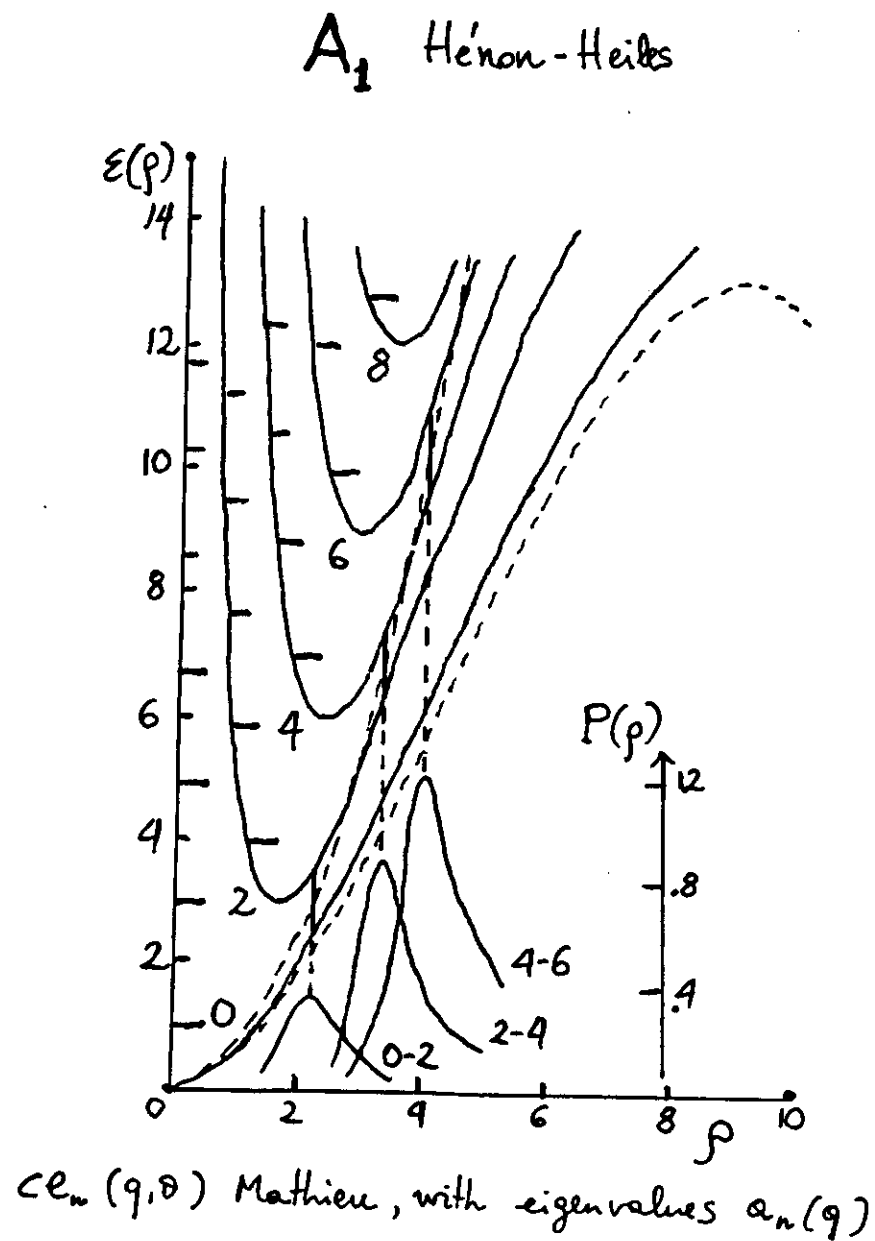
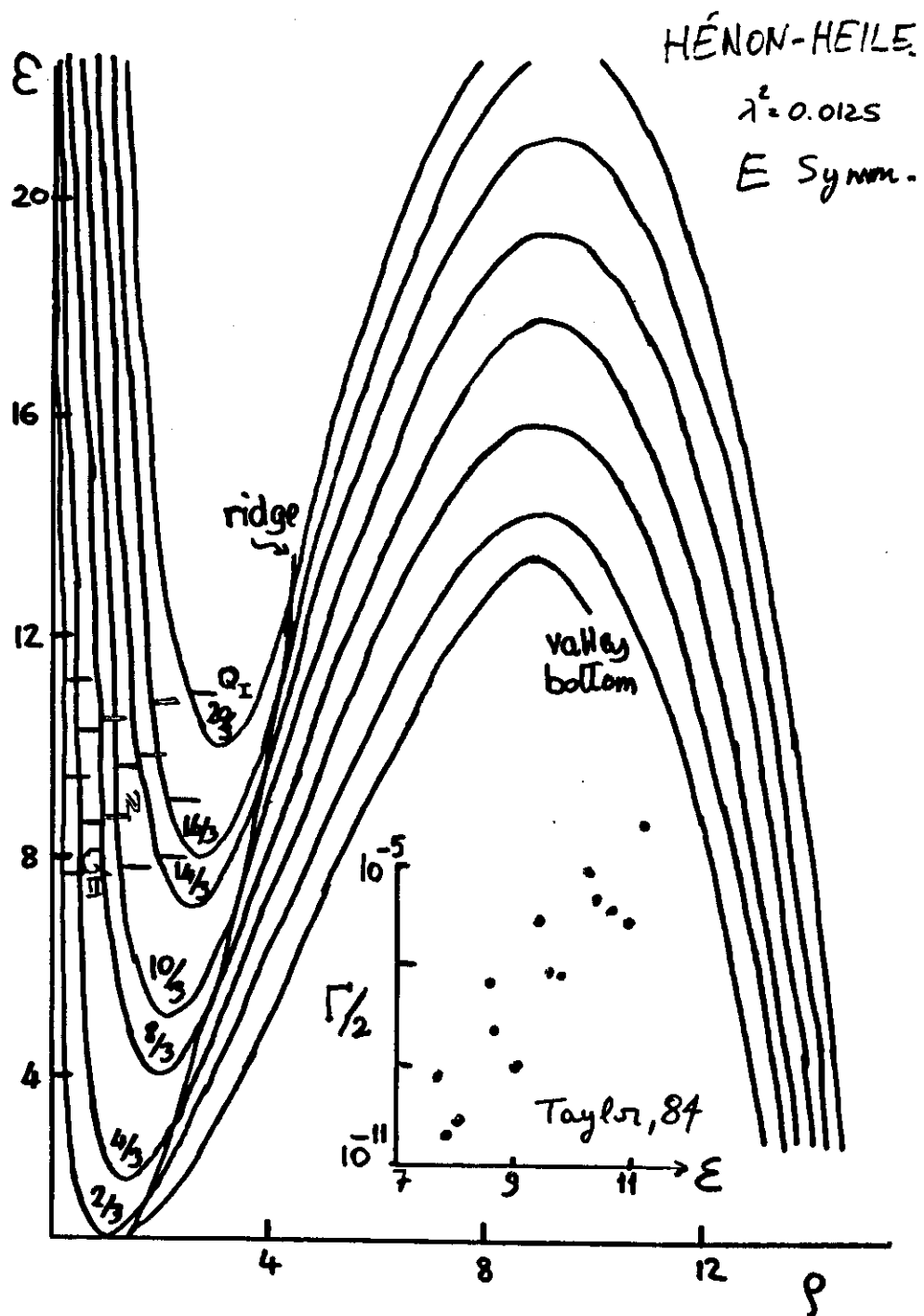
$$V(\rho, \theta) = \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 + \frac{\lambda \rho^3}{3} \cos 3\theta$$

$$\lambda = 80^{-1/2} = .1118$$

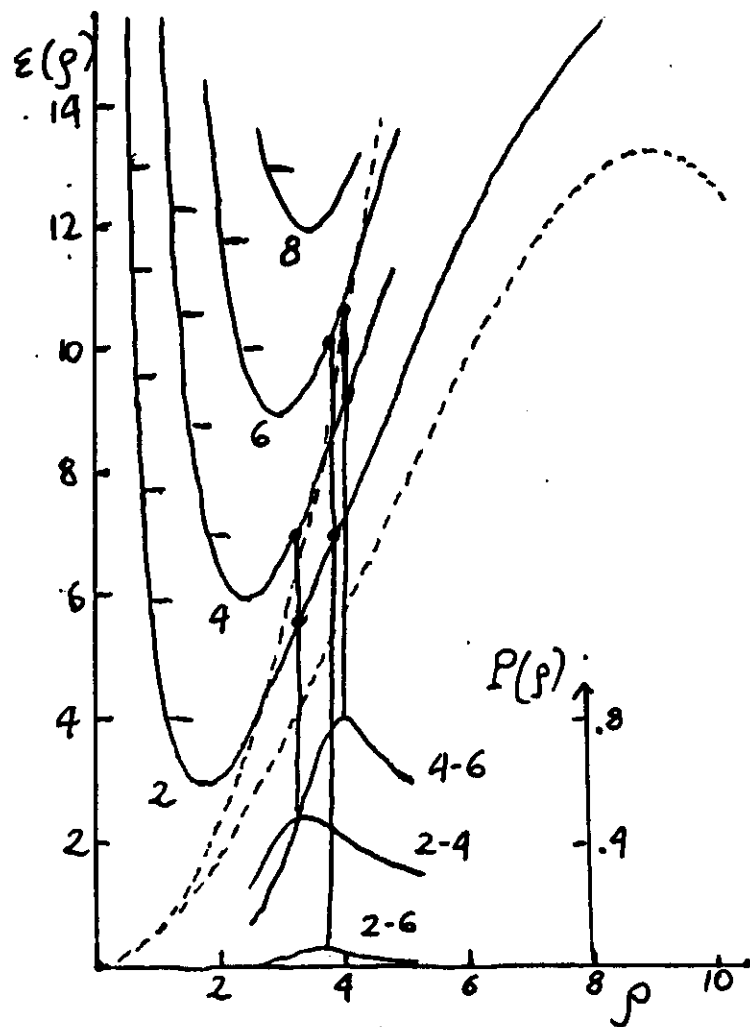
Adiabatic (fixed ρ) $\rightarrow$ a quantum pendulum
 $\rightarrow$ Mathieu, with $q = \frac{4}{27} \lambda \rho^5$ and C_{3v} symmetry $\rightarrow A_1, A_2, E$ states.

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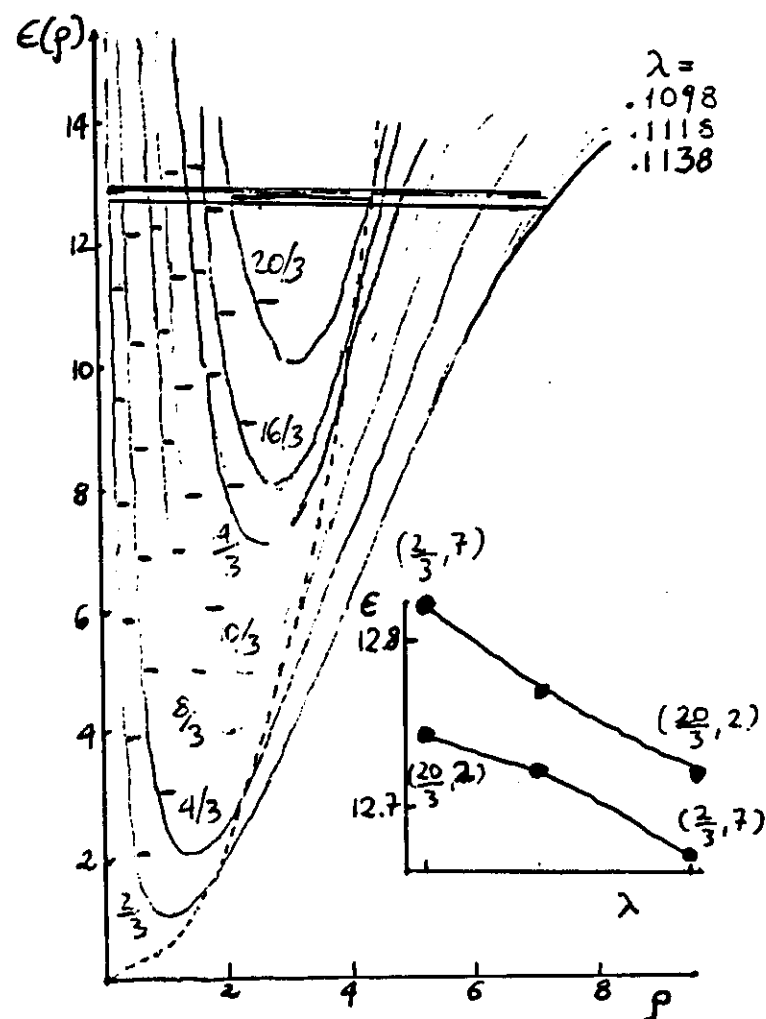


A₂ Hénon-Heiles



$SE_n(q, \theta)$ Mathieu, with eigenvalues $b_n(q)$

E Hénon-Heiles



Mathieu functions and eigenvalues of fractional order.

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