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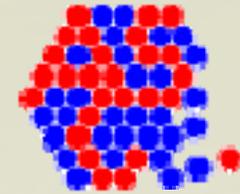
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## **Structure and Dynamics of Hydrogen-Bonded Systems**

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### **Quantization of Vibrations in H-Bonded Crystals**

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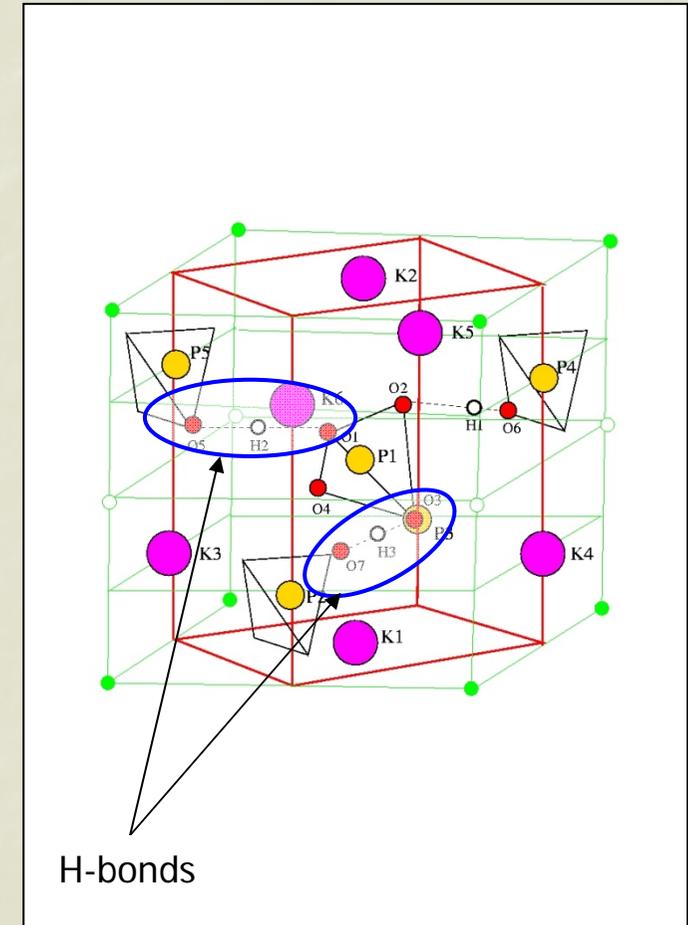
# Outline

- Motivation: isotope effects in H-bonded crystals
- Lattice parameters and internal geometry of solids
  - Classical approach
  - Quasiharmonic approximation (QHA)
  - Exact solution and other approximations
- Applications
  - Model monoatomic and H-bonded chains
  - DFT H-bonded F-H...F linear chain
- Quality of DFT approximations
- Conclusions and Outlook

# Isotope effects in the structure of solids: KDP vs DKDP

- **Huge isotope effect in ferroelectric  $T_c$ :**  
 $T_{\text{KDP}}=123 \text{ K}$  vs  $T_{\text{DKDP}}=230 \text{ K}$  (Isherwood and James, 1972)
- **Structural modifications (Ubbelohde effect):** **O-O distances** (Ichikawa 1978) and **lattice constants** (Nelmes, Tun and Kuhs 1987)
- **Large family of H-bonded molecular crystals**, including ferro and antiferroelectric materials (**ADP, Squaric acid, LHP, ice, ...**)
- **Organic crystals**, polymorphism is very important for **Pharmaceutical industry**

Distributions reconstructed from elastic neutron scattering do **not** show the potential minima

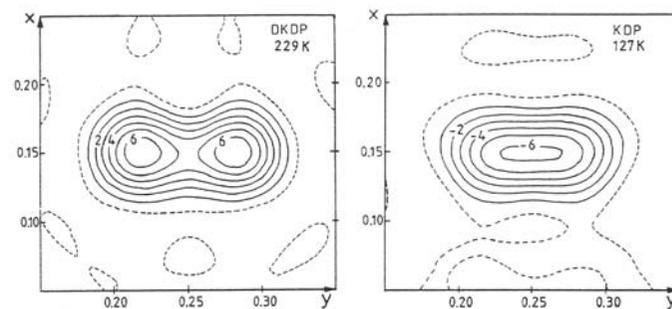


# Neutron scattering

[Nelmes, *Ferroelectrics* **71**, 87 (1987)]

STRUCTURAL STUDIES OF KDP

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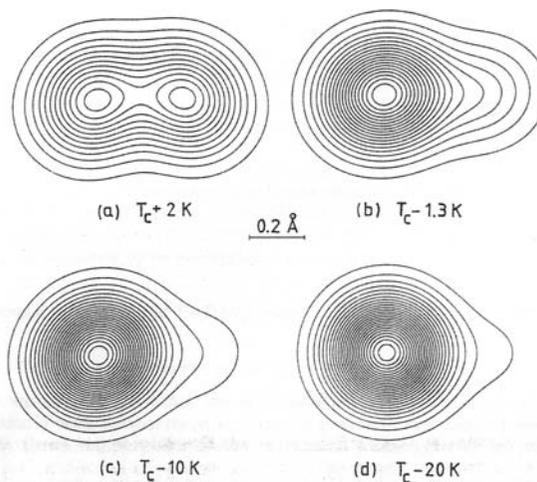


FIGURE 9 Sections through the refined H distribution in KDP at (a)  $T_c + 2$  K, (b)  $T_c - 1.3$  K, (c)  $T_c - 10$  K and (d)  $T_c - 20$  K, from Reference 53. In each case the section passes through the two H sites, and contains (i) the line H—H joining the sites and (ii) the line at constant  $z$  perpendicular to H—H. The contours are all equally spaced on a common arbitrary scale. (Note that these are sections through refined *model* distributions, rather than projections of Fourier syntheses as in Figures 3 and 8.)

# CrOOH(D): Structure and thermodynamics

(Keith Refson, next talk)

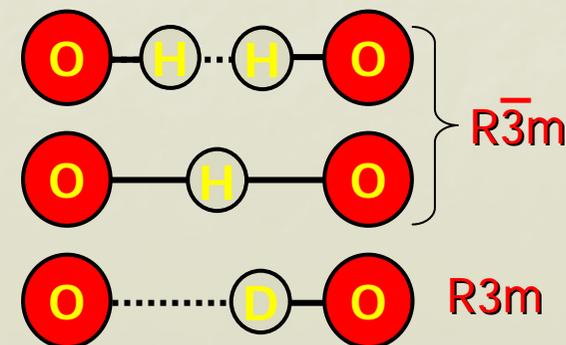
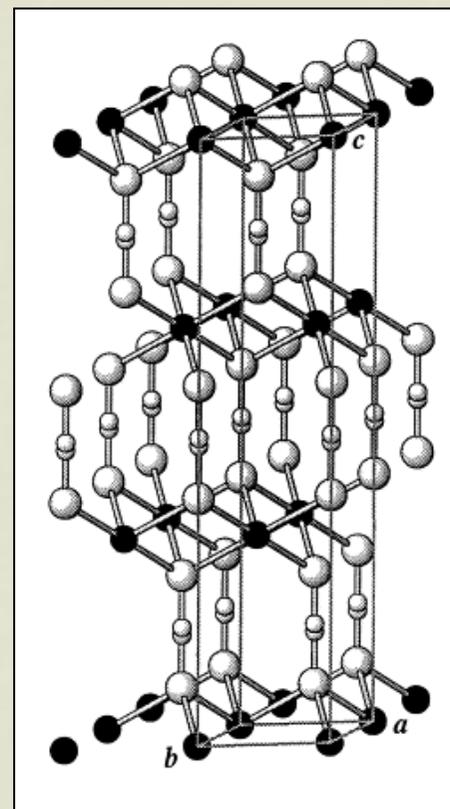
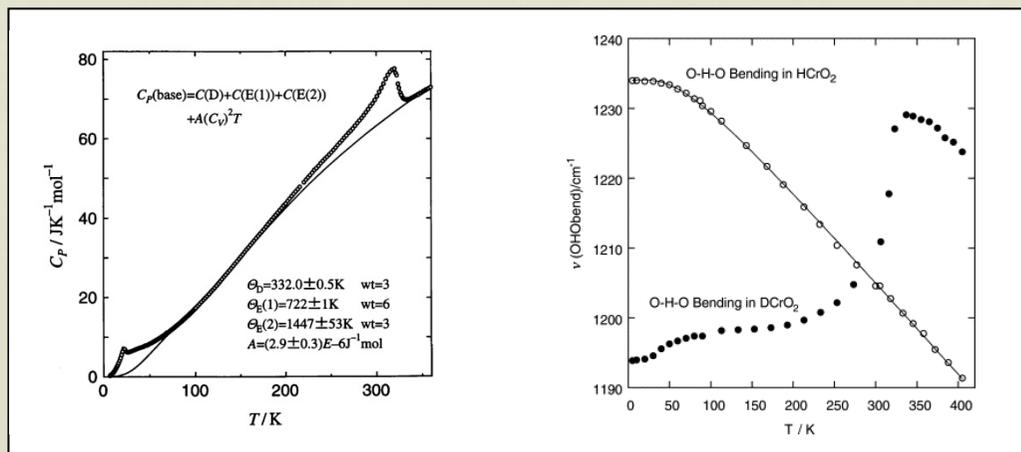
## Structural modifications upon deuteration

[Christensen, Hansen and Lehmann, J. Solid State Chem. 21, 325 (1977)]

	CrOOH	CrOOD
Space Group	$R\bar{3}m$ (csym)	R3m
c (Å)	13.37	13.48
a (Å)	2.979	2.985
d[O-O] (Å)	<b>2.47</b>	<b>2.57</b>

## Phase transition in CrOOD at 320K

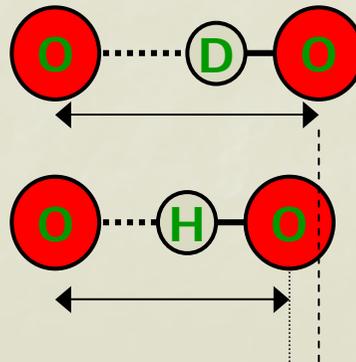
[Matsuo et al., J. Mol. Struc. 790, 129 (2006)]



# Questions

1. What is the origin of quantum (isotope) effects in  $d[\text{O-O}]$  and lattice parameters?
  - Tunneling or geometric effect?
2. When are these important?
3. Can we deal with this in an inexpensive, efficient way?
4. What level of approximation is acceptable?

## The Ubbelohde effect



# Structural and dynamical properties of crystals: classical approach

- Born-Oppenheimer approximation for electrons ( $E$ )
- Classical equilibrium configuration (minimize  $E$ ), or classical lattice parameters and equilibrium configuration (minimize  $H=E+\sigma.\tau$ )
- Force constants and dynamical matrix (second derivatives of the potential @ classical equilibrium structure)
- Phonon dispersion relations and vibrational normal modes.

## Problem

**Quantization of vibrations (Zero-point-motion - ZPM) not taken into account.**

1. Lattice parameters (e.g. volume) are incorrect (ZP pressure shifts equilibrium)
2. Internal geometry can also be incorrect.
3. Mechanical and thermodynamic properties, e.g. phase transitions.

# Introducing zero-point-motion

- Express Hamiltonian in terms of  $\{Q_j\}$ , a set of orthogonal vibrational coordinates:  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{q}$ , with  $\mathbf{q}$ =mass-scaled coordinates:

$$H(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N}) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{3N} \frac{d^2}{dQ_i^2} + V_{tot}(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N})$$

- Harmonic approximation:** expand potential to 2<sup>nd</sup> order in  $\{Q_j\}$  **around a stationary point** :

$$V_{tot}(Q_1, \dots, Q_N) \approx E_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{3N} \omega_i^2 Q_i^2$$

$$E_{HA} = E_0 + \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{3N} \omega_i$$

Within HA,  
 $\langle Q_i \rangle = 0$   
Internal geometry  
not modified

- Periodic solids:** Brillouin zone averaging

$$E_{HA} = E_0 + \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{3M} \int g(\mathbf{k}) \omega_i(\mathbf{k}) d\mathbf{k}$$

$g(\mathbf{k})$  = phonon density of states

# Quasi-harmonic approximation (QHA)

- Quasi-harmonic approximation (QHA): frequencies depend on lattice parameters.
- Free energy: includes quantum and thermal effects.

$$F_{QHA}(V) = E_0(V) + \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{3M} \int g(\mathbf{k}) \omega_i(\mathbf{k}, V) d\mathbf{k} + k_B T \sum_{i=1}^{3M} \int g(\mathbf{k}) \ln \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\hbar \omega_i(\mathbf{k}, V)}{k_B T}\right) \right] d\mathbf{k}$$

- Minimization with respect to  $V$  gives finite-temperature, quantum-corrected equilibrium volume and internal geometry.

## Limitations of the QHA

- Vibrations still treated as a collection of non-interacting harmonic oscillators.
- Anharmonicity only through  $V$ -dependence of ZPE.
- Excluded in QHA:
  - Intra-mode anharmonicity: higher orders in the same mode (e.g.  $Q^4$ )
  - Mode coupling: products of modes (e.g.  $Q_i^2 Q_j$ )

# The other extreme: exact solution

1. Express Hamiltonian in terms of  $\{Q_j\}$ , a set of orthogonal vibrational coordinates:  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{q}$ . Rigid translations eliminated. No rigid rotations.

2. Map potential energy surface (PES):  $V(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3})$

3. Solve (3N-3)-dimensional vibrational Schrödinger equation:

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \sum_i \frac{d^2}{dQ_i^2} + V(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3}) \right] \Psi(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3}) = E \Psi(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3})$$

4. Calculate mean values of vibrational coordinates:

$$\langle Q_i \rangle = \int \dots \int Q_i |\Psi(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3})|^2 dQ_1 \dots dQ_{3N-3}$$

5. Obtain quantum-averaged internal geometry via:  $\langle \mathbf{q} \rangle = \mathbf{A} \langle \mathbf{Q} \rangle$

# Approximations: VSCF

[For molecules: Ratner and Gerber, J. Phys. Chem. **90**, 20 (1986)]

1. Vibrational self-consistent field (VSCF/Hartree): Approximate total wave function as product of single-mode wave functions. **Modes uncorrelated.**

$$\Psi_{VSCF}(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3}) = \prod_{i=1}^{3N-3} \phi_i(Q_i)$$

2. Solve a set of (3N-3) coupled one-dimensional Schrödinger equations:

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dQ_i^2} + V_i^{VSCF}(Q_i) \right] \phi_i(Q_i) = \varepsilon_i \phi_i(Q_i)$$

3. With:

$$V_i^{VSCF}(Q_i) = \int \dots \int V(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3}) \prod_{j \neq i} |\phi_j(Q_j)|^2 dQ_j$$

4. And energy:

$$E_{VSCF} = \sum_{i=1}^{3N-3} \varepsilon_i - (3N-7) \int V_1(Q_1) |\phi_1(Q_1)|^2 dQ_1$$

Double counting

Mean values:

$$\langle Q_i \rangle = \int Q_i |\phi_i(Q_i)|^2 dQ_i$$

Internal geometry can change in VSCF

# Further approximations

1. Anharmonic: Approximate wave function as product of single-mode wfn:

$$\Psi_{VSCF}(Q_1, \dots, Q_{3N-3}) = \prod_{i=1}^{3N-3} \phi_i(Q_i)$$

2. And the single-mode potentials as:

$$V_i^{ANH}(Q_i) = V(0, \dots, Q_i, \dots, 0)$$

3. Solve the (3N-3) uncoupled one-dimensional Schrödinger equations:

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \frac{d^2}{dQ_i^2} + V_i^{ANH}(Q_i) \right] \phi_i(Q_i) = \varepsilon_i \phi_i(Q_i)$$

4. with energy given by:  $E_{ANH} = \sum_{i=1}^{3N-3} \varepsilon_i$

Mean values:

$$\langle Q_i \rangle = \int Q_i |\phi_i(Q_i)|^2 dQ_i$$

Internal geometry can change in ANH and ZO

5. Zero-order:  $V_i^{ZO}(Q_i) = V(\langle Q_1 \rangle, \dots, Q_i, \dots, \langle Q_{3N-3} \rangle)$  is like VSCF but ...

single-mode wave functions  $\approx \delta$ -functions centered at the mean values.

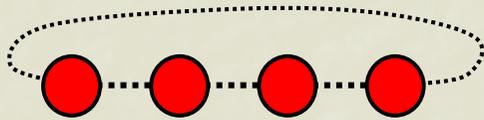
# Summary of Methods

1. Quasi-harmonic approximation (QHA): €
  - a. Recovers anharmonic effects mediated by volume changes.
  - b. Ignores intra-mode and mode-coupling anharmonicity
2. Anharmonic approximation (ANH): €€                      Zero-order (ZO): €€
  - a. Recovers intra-mode anharmonicity.      Recovers some mode-coupling anh.
  - b. Ignores mode-coupling anharmonicity.      Double-well potentials tricky.
3. Vibrational self-consistent field (VSCF): €€€
  - a. Recovers intra-mode anharmonicity.
  - b. Recovers mode-coupling anharmonicity in mean-field.
  - c. Ignores correlation between modes.
4. Partially correlated schemes [e.g.  $P+(3N-3-P)$ ]: €€€€
5. Exact: €€€€€ (unfeasible for more than 6 modes)

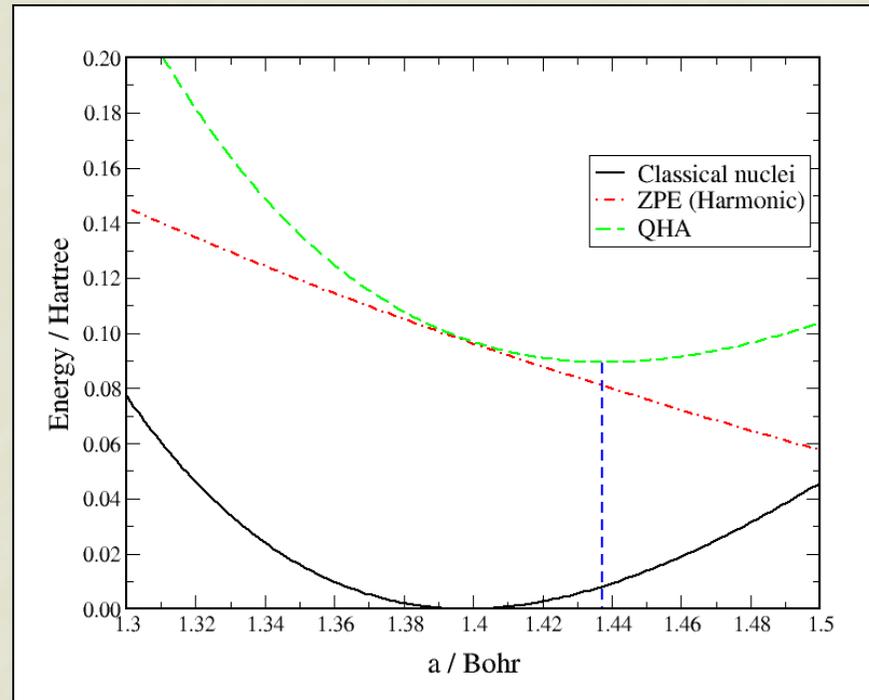
# Monoatomic linear chain

I. Scivetti, N. Gidopoulos and J. Kohanoff, Phys. Rev. B **78**, 224108 (2008)

For a periodic linear chain:



$$E_{QHA}^{1D}(a) \approx E_0(a) + \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \omega_n(a)$$

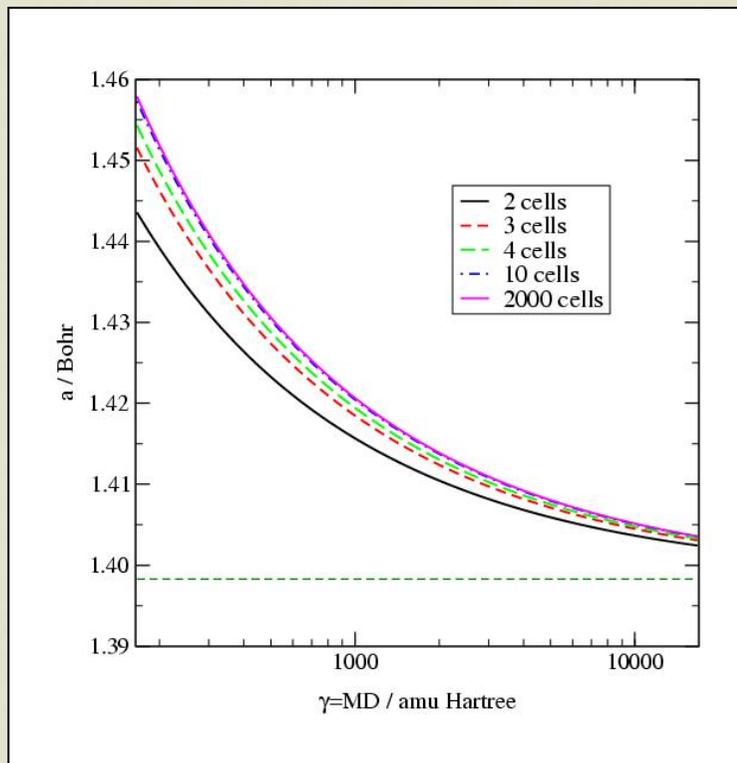


$\omega$  increases upon compression

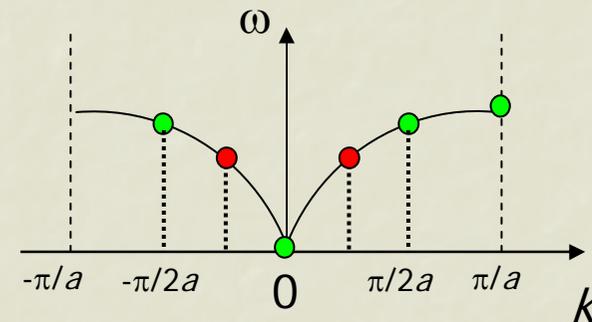
Expansion due to quantum effects (ZPE)

# Monoatomic anharmonic chain: Brillouin zone sampling

Morse potential:  $V(x) = D[1 - \exp(-b(x - x_0))]^2$



The relevant quantity parameter is:  $\gamma = mD$   
with  $m$  = mass of the particles



Number of cells = number of k-points

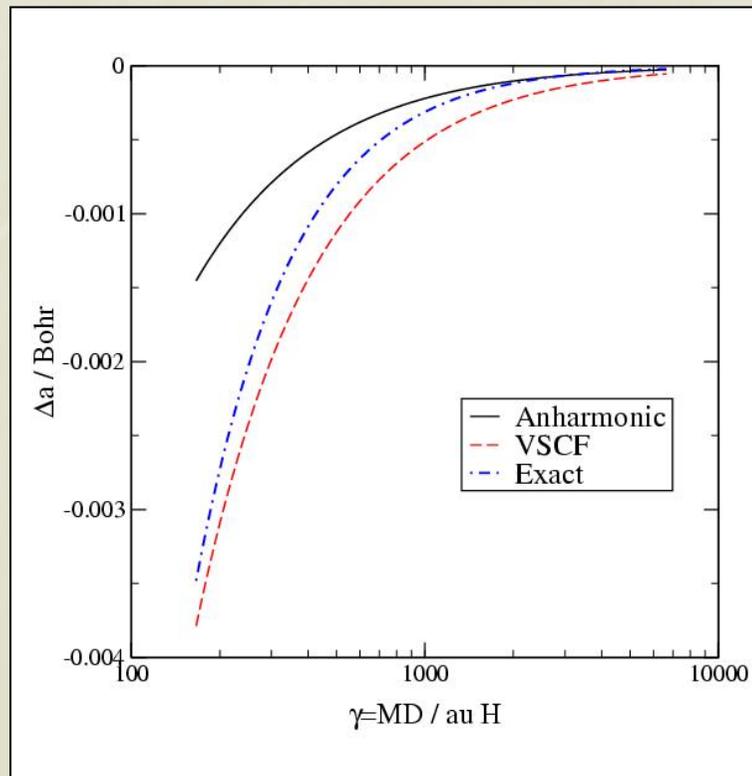
Within the QHA

- 10 k-points:  $a$  is fully converged
- 4 k-points:  $a$  is excellent
- 2 k-points,  $a$  is 1% too low at  $\gamma = 135$

# Monoatomic anharmonic chain: comparison of approximations

Morse potential:  $V(x) = D[1 - \exp(-b(x - x_0))]^2$

Differences with respect to the QHA



**4 cells (3 vibrational d.o.f.)**

Exact and VSCF: Solve Schrödinger using  
DVR in the form of Lagrange meshes

[Baye and Heenen, J. Phys. A **19**, 2041 (1986)]

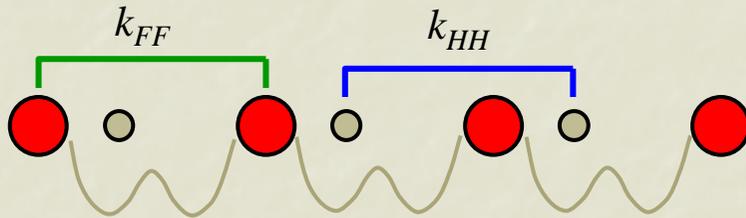
[Varga, Zhang and Pentelides, PRL **93**, 196403 (2004)]

- Anharmonic: 0.1% below QHA
- **Exact: 0.3% below QHA**
- **VSCF: within 0.05% of exact value**

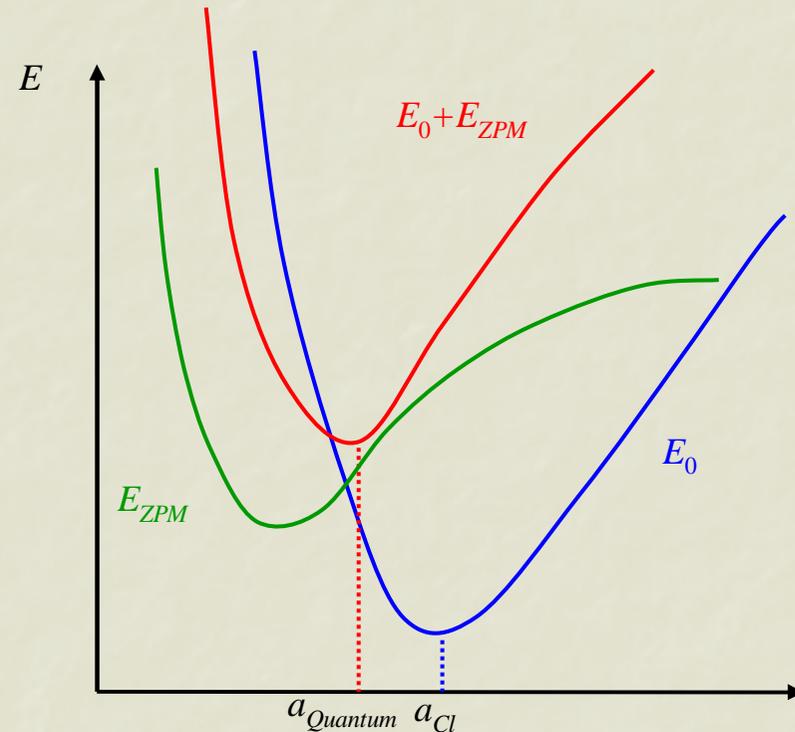
**QHA lattice constant is extremely good**

# Model H-bonded chain

[Yanovitskii, Vlastou-Tsinganos and Flytzanis, PRB **48**, 12645 (1993)]



- H-atoms move in a double-well potential
- $k_{HH}$  spring enforces ice rules.
- $k_{FF}$  spring disfavors [FHF]<sup>-</sup>
- Morse on F-F distance (dependence on  $a$ )



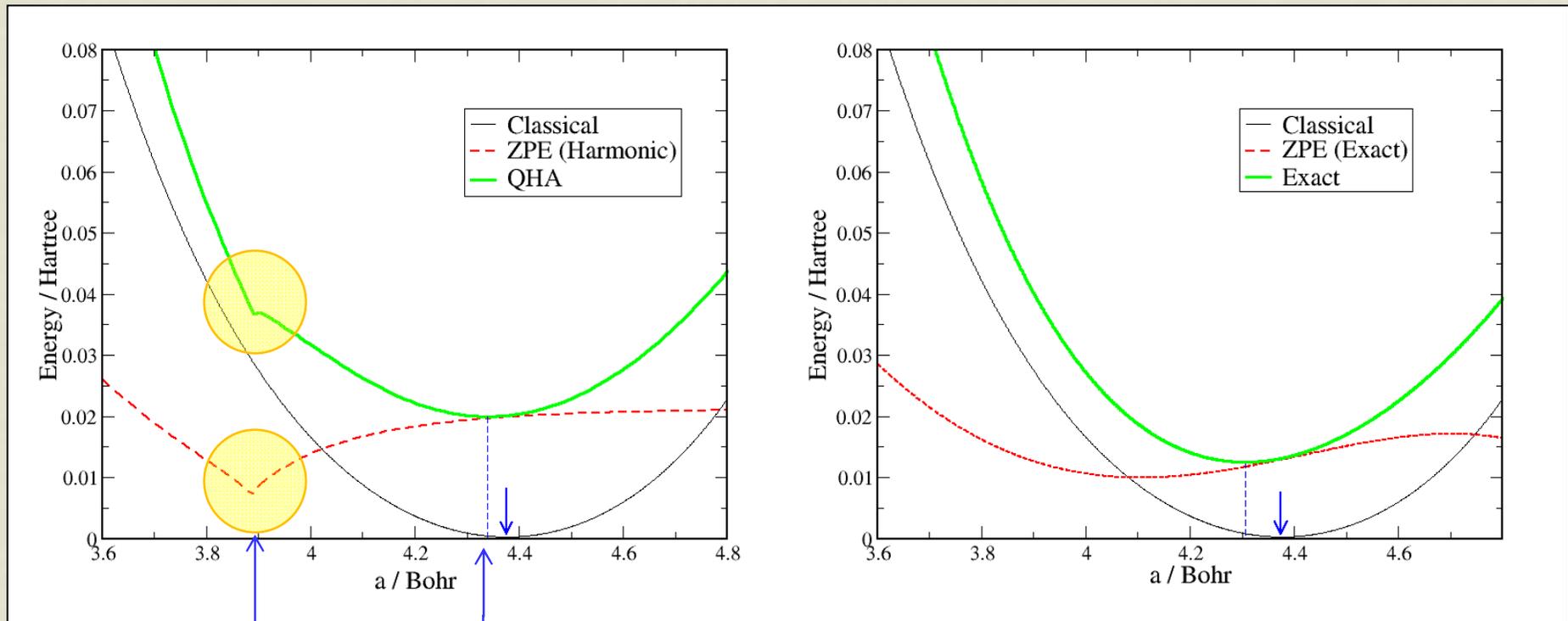
For H-bonds,  $\omega$  **decreases** upon compression.

Therefore, the lattice constant **reduces**

# Model H-bonded chain

## QHA vs exact solution

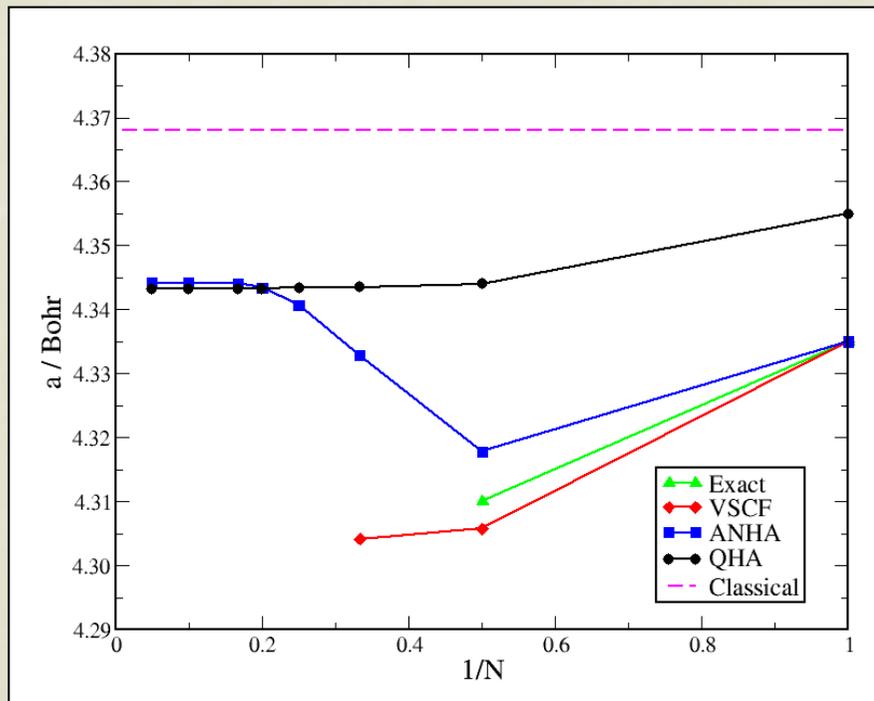
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**QHA underestimates the contraction**  
**Secondary (spurious) minimum appears upon H centering**

# Model H-bonded chain: comparison of approximations

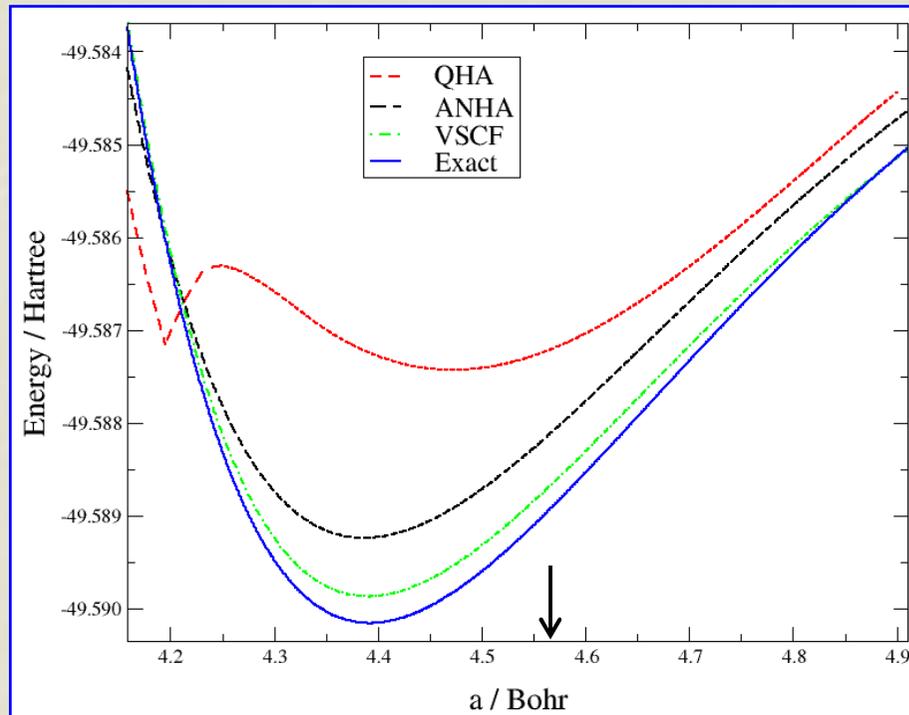
$$a_{Cl} = 4.368 \text{ Bohr}$$



- QHA only from minimum (can't be done from saddle point)
  - ANH using normal modes at **minimum**.
  - ANH using **saddle point** modes is poor.
  - QHA and ANH converge to same  $a$  for large  $N$
  - 1 cell (2 atoms) gives already a decent  $a$ .
- 2 cells (4 atoms): ANH, Exact and VSCF:
- ANH non-monotonic. OK for two cells
  - $a_{VSCF}$  is 0.04 Bohr smaller than  $a_{QHA}$
  - $a_{Exact}$  is only 0.002 Bohr from  $a_{VSCF}$

# First-principles (DFT-GGA) linear HF chain

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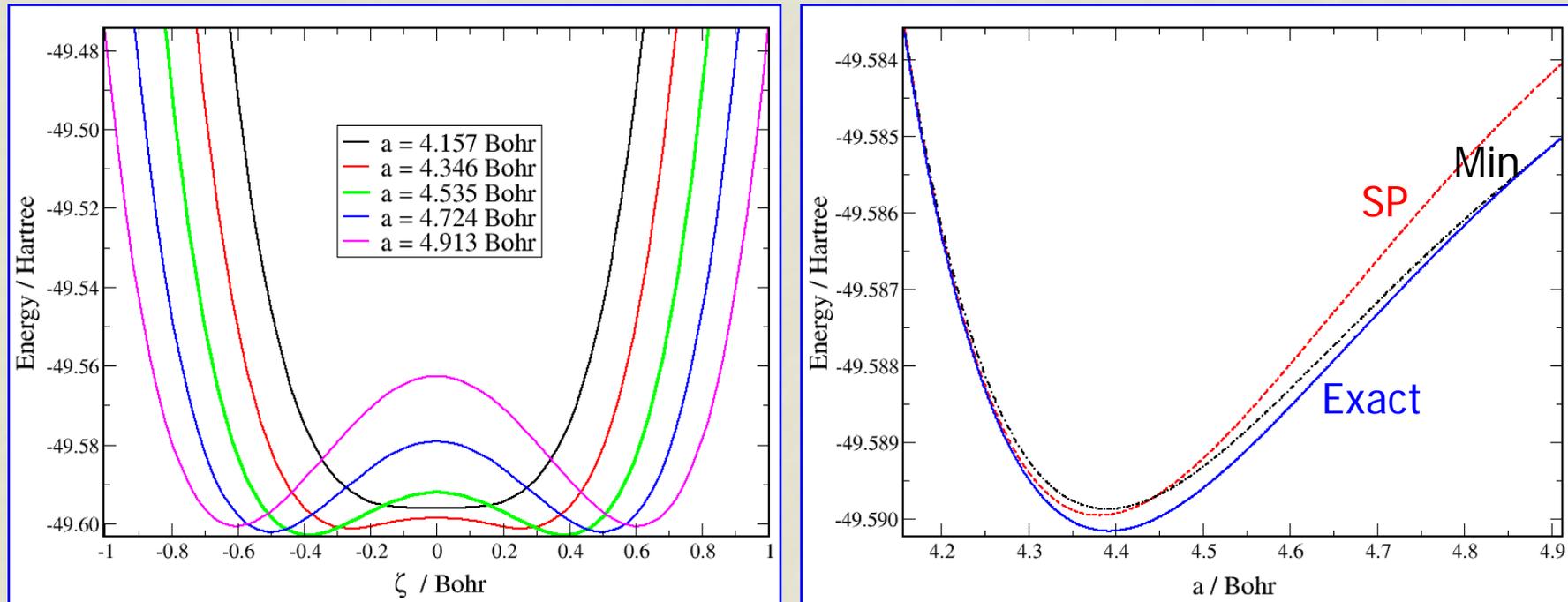


<i>Level</i>	<i>a</i> (Å)
Class.	2.413
QHA	2.361
ANHA	2.321
VSCF	2.323
Exact	2.324

- $a_{QHA}$  goes half way (Decrease 0.05 Å, but still 0.04 Å to go): **Anharmonicity is important**
- $a_{ANHA}$  appears to be quite good, and it is cheap! but ... is it reliable? (remember model)
- $a_{Exact}$  and  $a_{VSCF}$  are indistinguishable: **Correlation between modes not very important**

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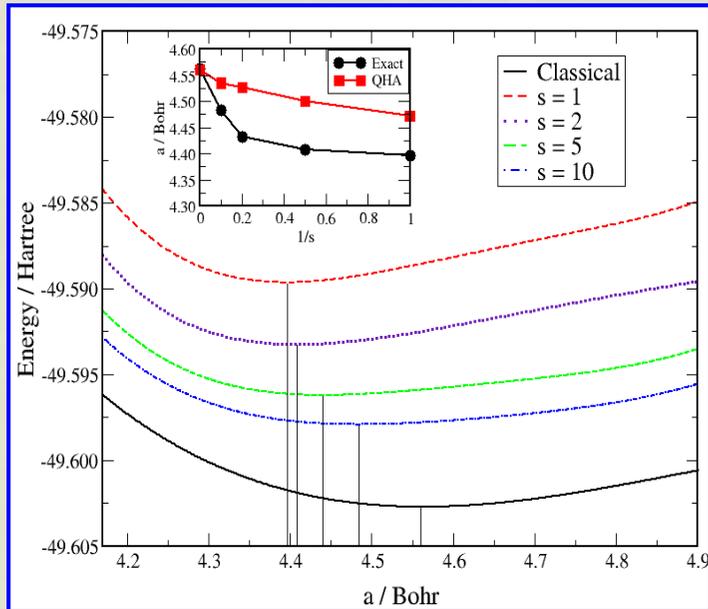
## Choice of vibrational coordinates



- Small  $a \Rightarrow$  no barrier  $\Rightarrow$  single anharmonic well  $\Rightarrow$  SP=Min are good.
- Large  $a \Rightarrow$  high barrier  $\Rightarrow$  wfn localized in Min  $\Rightarrow$  Min good, SP poor.
- Intermediate  $a \Rightarrow$  None is very good. Static correlation  $\Rightarrow$  Multiconfig.

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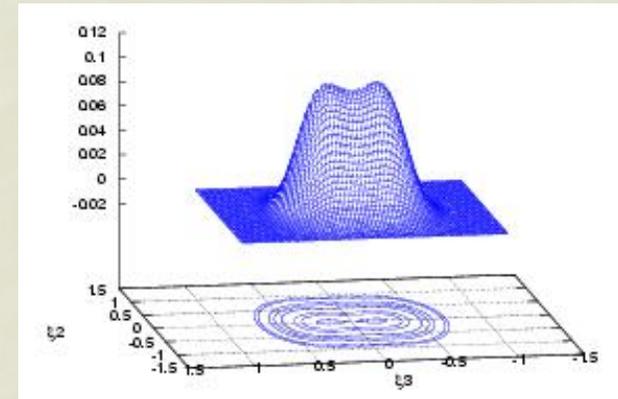
## Isotope effect



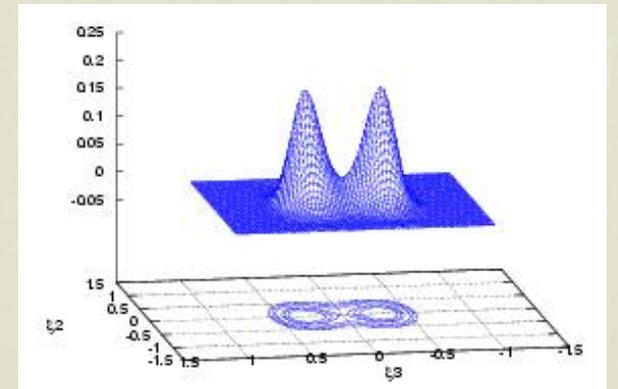
### Internal Geometry

$s$	$d_{\text{FH}} (\text{\AA})$
$\infty$	0.98
10	1.05
5	1.07
2	1.09
1	1.10

$s=1$



$s=5$

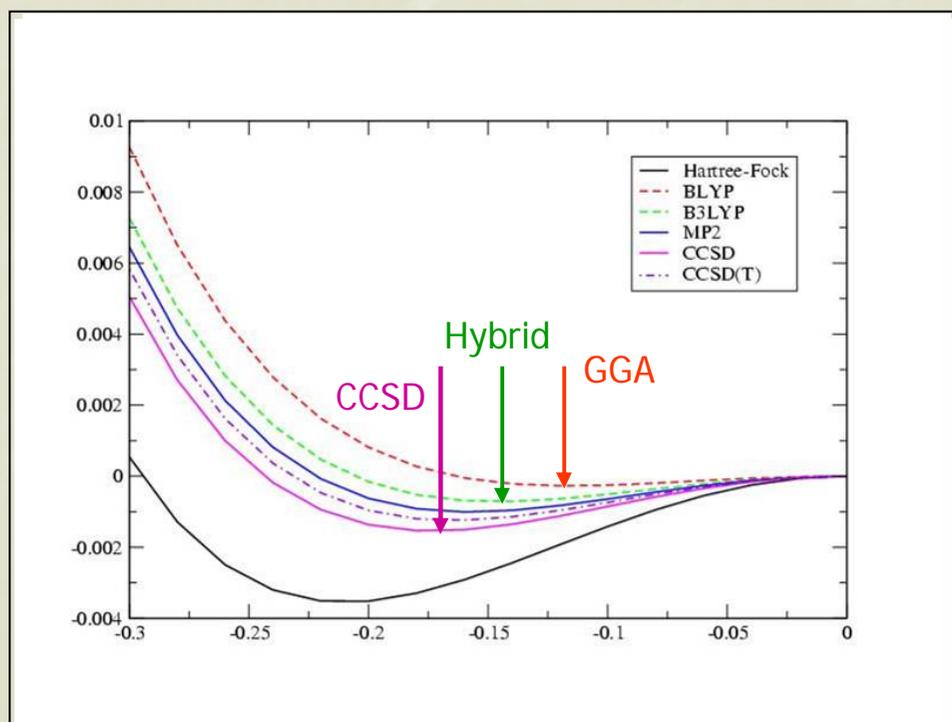
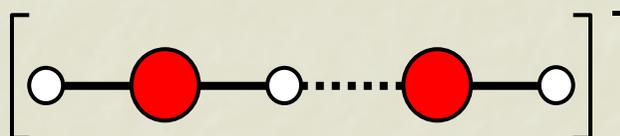


ZC and ZB optical modes

- Increasing  $m$ ,  $a$  approaches the classical value
- Lattice parameters are corrected**
- Quantum-averaged F-H distance depends on  $m$
- Internal geometry is also corrected**
- QHA overestimates lattice parameters**

# Is DFT-GGA good enough for H-bonding?

A model H-bond:  $\text{O}_2\text{H}_3^-$



- GGA severely underestimates barrier and finds minima too close to center

- MP2 underestimates and CCSD overestimates, but they are quite good

- Hybrid B3LYP is in between.

- Tweaked hybrid HF-DFT (MPWB1K) or Screened exchange can do a good job.

[Zhao and Truhlar, J. Phys. Chem. A **108**, 6908 (2004)]

[Heyd, Scuseria and Ernzerhof, JCP **118**, 8207 (2003)]

# Conclusions

1. QHA quite safe to obtain quantum-corrected lattice parameters in covalently-bonded systems.
  - Coarse BZ sampling (4 or even 2 cells) is sufficient
2. QHA does not correct internal geometry at fixed cell.
  - Therefore, it does only **half of the job** in H-bonded systems.
3. ANHA seems quite good, but **could be a size effect!**
4. VSCF is an excellent approximation for structural properties.
  - Anharmonicity is important,
  - Correlation between modes is not necessarily relevant.
5. **Careful with functionals for H-bonded systems!!**