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Lecture - 41
Hydrogen Molecule Ion: The Molecular Orbital Method

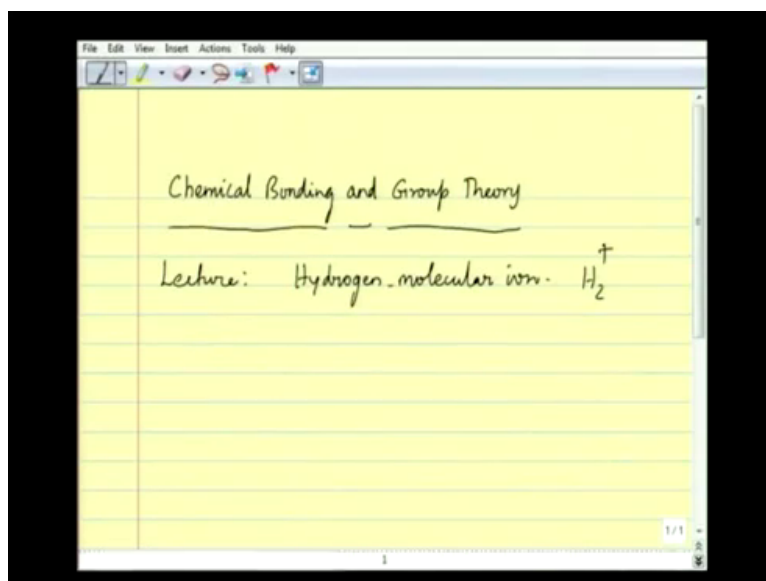
For the next few lectures, we shall look at the Hydrogen Molecule Ion. Possibly the simplest chemical species that we can think of with only one electron and two nuclei both of which have a charge of plus 1.

The study of hydrogen molecule ion using the linear combination of atomic orbital's of the individual hydrogen atoms as constituents, will give us some basic indicators on how to proceed for the larger for the study of the larger molecular systems including many electrons. And the next important species for example, the hydrogen molecule itself which has two electrons and the two electrons of course, it brings in your paradigm shift in quantum chemistry that is it brings in the electron correlation effects. In hydrogen molecule ion the correlation effects are absent.

What we have is one electron shared between shared by the two nuclei. And we have to start with a classical picture of assigning them the coordinates and an approximate geometry.

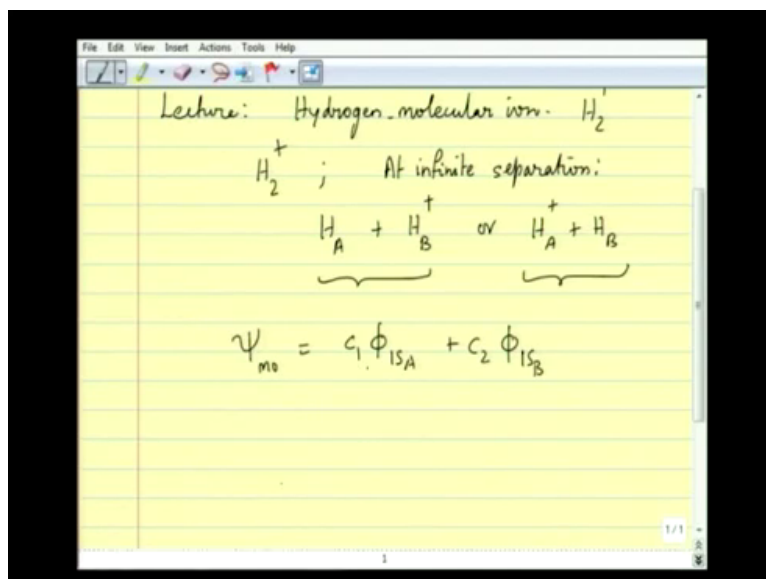
And then solve the Schrodinger equation for the geometry. And vary the solution as a function of the nuclear geometry. This is well within the born Oppenheimer approximation ok.

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So, let us start looking at the problem and also the method of solutions.

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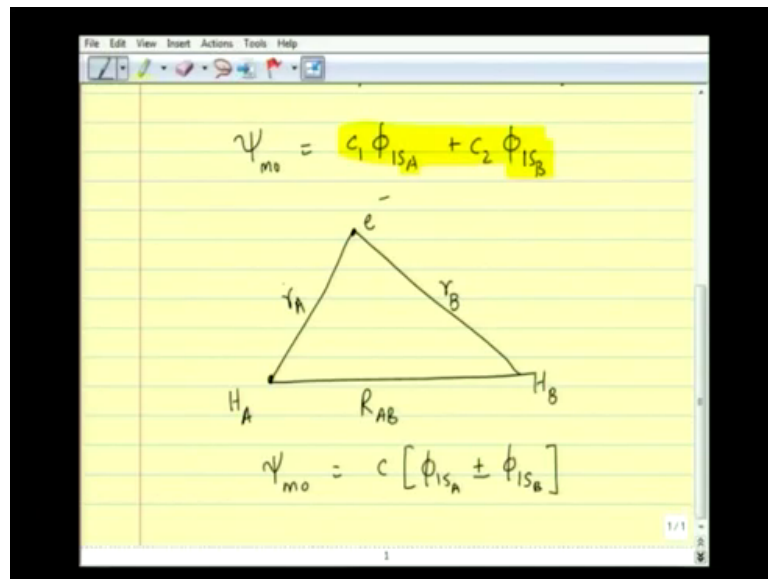
When we talk about the hydrogen molecule ion as H_2^+ plus, at infinite separation of the two nuclei; we have a species $H_A + H_B^+$ or $H_A^+ + H_B$ the other hydrogen atom and this proton.

So, the wave function that we can construct for solving this problem.

And using the Schrodinger equation try and obtain solutions for the energies must keep this in mind that when the distance of separation between the two nuclei is very large that the wave function becomes sort of the 1 S electron wave function for the ground state of the electron.

And the 1 s electron is such that is it is with either one of the hydrogen atoms. Therefore, it is possible for us to consider a molecular wave function as a linear combination of the 1 S electron in atom A and the 1 S electron in atom B at infinite separation, but as they come together we have to worry about the linear combination coefficients and see how these two things contribute the in proportion.

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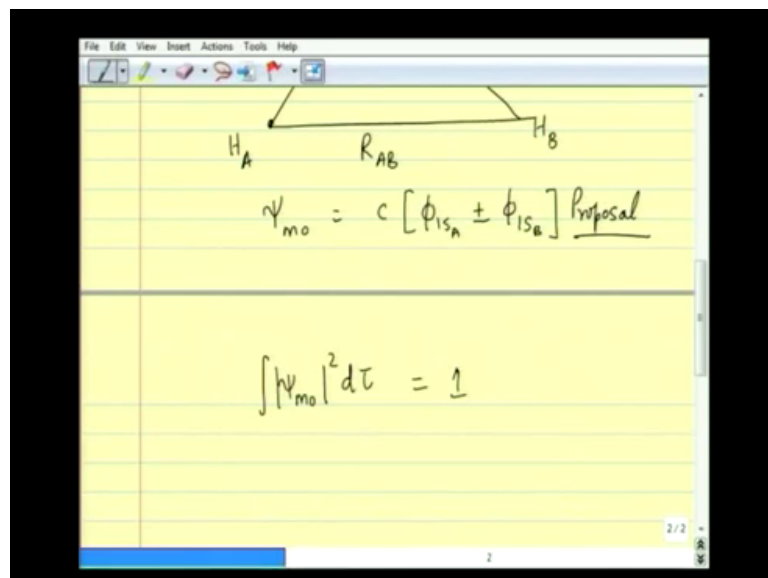
Also if we just draw the picture of the hydrogen molecule ion in a classical sense, I do it isometrically for obvious reasons that we do not know what the electron position or the electron cloud, how it is distributed and so on. So, let us keep the through nuclei and electron and the nuclei at a separation of R_{AB} with the electron with respect to this, this distance being r_A and this distance being r_B .

So, this gives us a picture of what are the types of what I mean what is the columbic interaction and the kinetic energies and so, we can write the Hamiltonian that is been using the born Oppenheimer approximation. We do not have to worry about the nuclear motion and now you can also see that the molecular orbital that we write down here. ϕ_{1s_A} and ϕ_{1s_B} . Distinguishes A and B as two different nuclei, but in principle both

nuclei being identical we do not have any reason whatsoever to choose C_2 to be different from C_1 . So, one obvious choice would be to write a molecular wave function ψ_{mo} as $C_1 \phi_{1s_A} + \text{or minus } C_2 \phi_{1s_B}$ since the probabilities are related to the square of the coefficient C_1^2 and C_2^2 that is the probability of finding the electron in the $1s$ orbital of the hydrogen atom A is of course, C_1^2 and the probability of finding the electron in the $1s$ orbital of atom B the hydrogen atom B is C_2^2 . And with these two atoms being identical electro negativity I mean there is no reason why C_1^2 should be different from C_2^2

Therefore are the most we would expect for real coefficients to $C_1 = C_2$ plus or minus C_2 . So, this is a possible choice please remember this is a proposal.

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With this proposal we can impose the condition that we calculate the energy or we solve the Schrodinger equation, but here there is nothing to solve the Schrodinger equation because we have already chosen the wave function. Therefore, given that this is the wave function with the constant C which is a normalization constant essentially, because all that you would do is to make sure that the ψ_{mo}^2 absolute square $d\tau$ is one in order for the c is to be the probabilities to be to have the probability interpretation there is nothing to solve here. We only have to calculate the energies.

On the other hand if you do not worry about the C is being equal, but you insist that the C is be different to start with then the Schrodinger equation can be solved with these two coefficients C 1 and C 2 as a 2 by 2 matrix as follows ok.

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$$\psi_{m_0} = c_1 \phi_{1s_A} + c_2 \phi_{1s_B}$$

$$H\psi_{m_0} = E\psi_{m_0} \quad \text{obtain coefficients } c_1 \text{ and } c_2$$

2x2 matrix problem

$$H[c_1 \phi_{1s_A} + c_2 \phi_{1s_B}] = E[c_1 \phi_{1s_A} + c_2 \phi_{1s_B}]$$

$$\int \phi_{1s_A} \text{ " } d\tau = \int \phi_{1s_A} \text{ " } d\tau$$

So, if I have to write psi mo as C 1 phi 1 S A plus C 2 phi 1 S B then I can say that this has to be solved with h psi mo is equal to E psi mo and obtain coefficients C 1 and C 2.

It is no surprise that when you do that you will find the values of C 1 and C 2 to be plus or minus of each other. C 1 is equal to plus or minus C 2. So, it does not matter which way you do you solve this as a 2 by 2 matrix problem for example, because the Hamiltonian has the interactions between the nucleus and the electron and the electron kinetic energy and what you have is H C 1 phi 1 S A plus C 2 phi 1 S B is equal to E C 1 phi 1 S A plus C 2 phi 1 S B.

And therefore, to obtain the coefficients we would try to integrate this with phi 1 S A on the left hand side all of this d tau.

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$$H[c_1\phi_{1s_A} + c_2\phi_{1s_B}] = E[c_1\phi_{1s_A} + c_2\phi_{1s_B}]$$
$$\int \phi_{1s_A} \, d\tau = \int \phi_{1s_A} \, d\tau$$
$$\int \phi_{1s_B} \, d\tau = \int \phi_{1s_B} \, d\tau$$

$$\psi_{mo} = c[\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}]$$

And we will write the same thing integral of phi 1 S A with all of this d tau or you can do the integration with phi 1 S B the same thing that is h this particular quantity h is to be put in here all of that d tau and that should be equal to the same thing phi 1 S B here. And the all of this d tau since I made the mistake I will make the same mistake here in coloring, but all of this times d tau.

So, you have two equations involving C 1 and C 2. And one can solve this as a matrix problem, but what you would see is not to C 1 and C 2 will turn out to be equal.

So, it does not matter which way we proceed. So, let us stay with the physically reasonable choice namely that psi m o is C times phi 1 S A plus phi 1 S B.

Obviously we are assuming that the 1s electron orbital energy is. So, low compared to the 2 s 2 p 3 s 3 p etcetera that in the ground state the molecular orbital has contributions only from the 1 s orbital. It does not have any other orbital contributing to this linear combination ok.

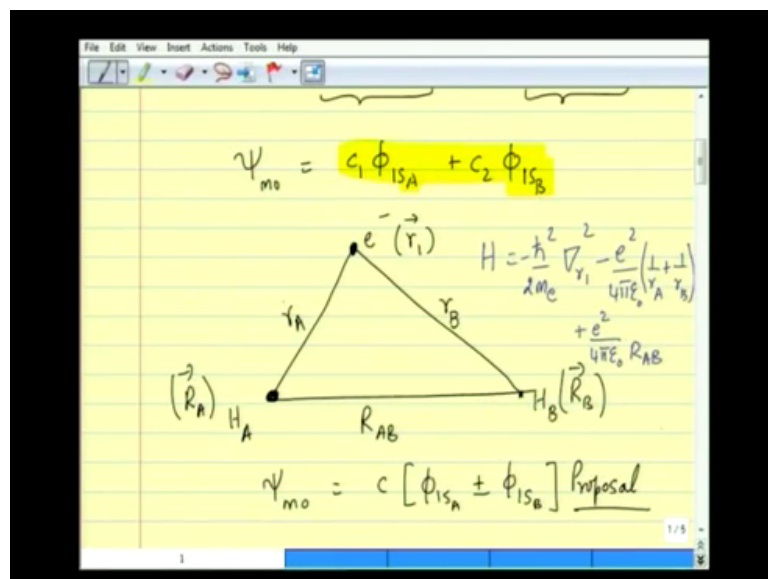
Now, how do we obtain the C, which is the normalization constant we have to impose the condition.

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Handwritten notes on a yellow background showing the wave function $\psi_{m_0} = c [\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}]$ and the normalization condition $\int |\psi_{m_0}|^2 d\tau = 1$.

Namely $\psi_{m_0}^2 d\tau$ is equal to 1 which implies that.

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We do this namely $C^2 \phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}$ multiplied by $\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B} d\tau$ is equal to 1.

Now, please remember that ϕ_{1s_A} associates the electron with this atom. The electron has a coordinate say or 3 coordinates r_1 or x_1 or y_1 or z_1 if you 1 electron. So, we write it as r_1 and the nucleus has the coordinates R_A and H_B has the coordinates R_B .

Then you see that ϕ_{1s_A} is of r_1 with respect to this and ϕ_{1s_B} is going to be the distance from this nucleus. This r_1 is essentially this is $r_1 r_a$ therefore, this R_A is going to be the difference between these two vectors the same position is going to be the difference between these two vectors when you say ϕ_{1s_B} .

Therefore the two orbital's are centered on two different nuclei. So, there is no reason why the integral that takes the joint functions ϕ_{1s_A} and ϕ_{1s_B} inside the integral. There is no reason why it should go to 0 or it should vanish.

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$$C^2 \int (\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B})(\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}) d\tau = 1$$

$$= C^2 \left[\int \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_A} d\tau + \int \phi_{1s_B} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau + 2 \int \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau \right]$$

two-center, one-electron
integral

So, in doing this we come up with this additional quantity namely C^2 the first integral is $\phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_A} d\tau$ which is obviously, the normalization of the $1s$ into wave function associated with the atom a and therefore, this is equal to 1 plus the integral $\phi_{1s_B} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau$. Which is also the normalization integral for the $1s$ of the B , B atom B the electron in the atom B plus twice the integral $\phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau$. Where both $1s_A$ and $1s_B$ are centered on two different atoms and therefore, this is not generally zero this is a 1 electron to center integral two center 1 electron integral and this is known as the overlap integral. S_{AB} .

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$$= c \left[\int \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_A} d\tau + \int \phi_{1s_B} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau \right. \\ \left. + 2 \int \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau \right]$$

two-center, one-electron integral

Overlap integral S_{AB} $S_{AA} = S_{BB} = 1$

Calculated usually with an elliptic coordinate system

Now obviously, S_{AA} is equal to S_{BB} is equal to 1. If you wish to associate this with the previous lecture on variational method in choosing basis functions, which are not necessarily orthogonal and therefore, the Hamiltonian matrix containing the overlap integrals of this various basis functions here is the first case that one has to calculate the overlap integral ok.

The process of calculating the overlap integral is a separate process, we will we will not worry about it in this lecture. In one of the examples I will use the right coordinate system and probably go through a textbook example of how to calculate the overlap integral using what are known as the elliptic coordinates ok calculated usually with an elliptic coordinate system.

But instead of doing that here, let us proceed with the analysis and come up with some answers for the hydrogen molecular ion energy and the hydrogen molecular ion orbital's Let us try and understand the qualitative features first and then we go to the quantitative evaluation of these orbital wave function integrals and so, on

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integral

Overlap integral S_{AB} $S_{AA} = S_{BB} = 1$

Calculated usually with an elliptic coordinate system

$$\int |\Psi_{m0}|^2 d\tau = c^2 [2 + 2S_{AB}] = 1$$

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1+S_{AB})}}$$

So, we need to therefore, calculate the psi mo integral square d tau we need to put that a C squared times. You recall that there are two unit integrals and twice the overlap integral. So, it is 2 plus 2 S and that should be equal to 1 S is S S B. Therefore, C is equal to 1 by square root of 2 into 1 plus S A B ok. This is because we chose the combination psi mo to be C 1 phi 1 S A plus phi 1 S B which was the plus.

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$$\Psi_{m0}^+ = c_1^+ [\phi_{1S_A} + \phi_{1S_B}]$$

$$\Psi_{m0}^- = c_1^- [\phi_{1S_A} - \phi_{1S_B}]$$

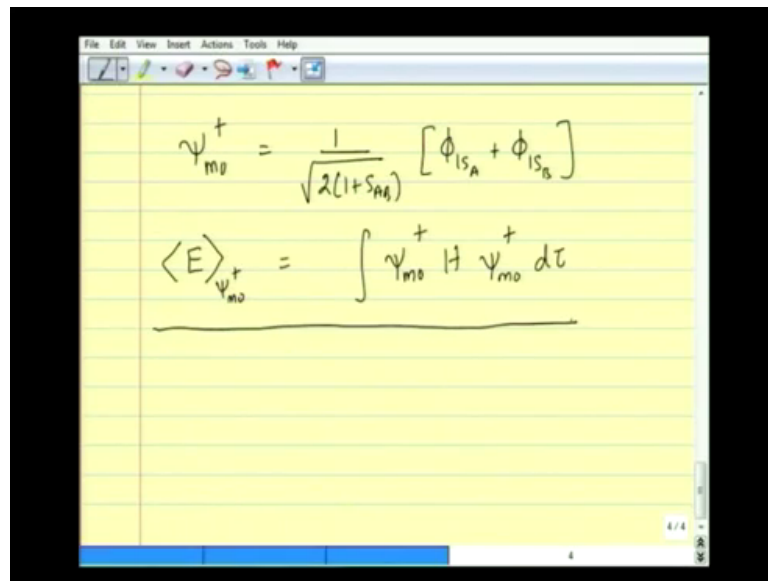
$$c_1^- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1-S_{AB})}}$$

If we have to take the other linear combination psi mo let us call this as the plus combination and we will call this as the minus combination then you have C 1 if you

have ϕ_{1s_A} minus ϕ_{1s_B} then the C_1 you call this as plus and this is minus then you see that C_1 minus will be by exactly the same argument will be $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1+S_{AB})}}$ into ϕ_{1s_A} minus ϕ_{1s_B} the overlap integral.

Therefore, we have the wave functions let us choose the plus 1 for the rest of the calculation and we can do the same thing for the minus later.

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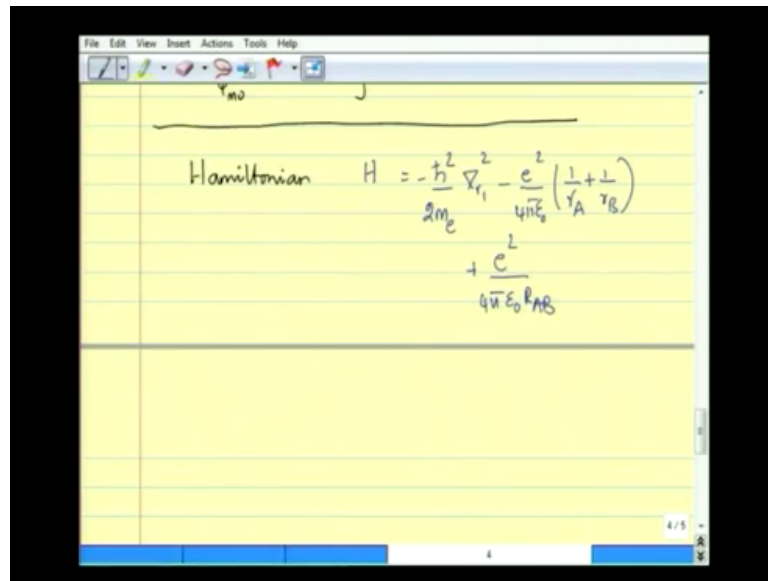


The image shows a digital notepad with two equations written in black ink. The first equation is $\psi_{mo}^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1+S_{AB})}} [\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}]$. The second equation is $\langle E \rangle_{\psi_{mo}^+} = \int \psi_{mo}^+ H \psi_{mo}^+ d\tau$. The notepad has a yellow background and a blue border. At the bottom right, there is a small '4/4' indicator.

So, we will choose that square root of 1 by root 2 into $1 + S_{AB}$ ϕ_{1s_A} plus ϕ_{1s_B} . And we shall calculate the energy for this molecular orbital ψ_{mo}^+ as the integral ψ_{mo}^+ the Hamiltonian ψ_{mo}^+ plus $d\tau$.

So, this is the average value that we have to calculate because we have already chosen the wave function to be ψ_{mo}^+ . All that we can do is to calculate the energy and any other property that we need to worry about and the process is again fairly straightforward some interesting things happen. So, let us look at the process.

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$$\text{Hamiltonian } H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_r^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{r_A} + \frac{1}{r_B} \right) + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}}$$

So, now what is the Hamiltonian? Let us go back to the picture. I will write the Hamiltonian here and then copied back to the bottom that is a choose a slightly different color it is ok. Let us do that. So, the Hamiltonian here if you look at it in the born Oppenheimer limit or the approximation that we have the nuclei do not move we will use the clamped nucleus approximation.

The kinetic energy is due to the electron only and therefore, what you have is the H is given by minus h bar square by 2 m e the del or 1 square which is the 3 derivatives dou square by dou r 1 x square and r 1 y square and. So, on this is the kinetic energy term p square by 2 mu e. And then we have the potential energy which is a sum of three terms namely the electron nucleus a columbic potential energy attraction electron nucleus b columbic potential energy again attraction and the nucleus A the nucleus B repulsion potential energy.

So, we have three terms namely minus e square by 4 pi epsilon naught. The attraction is 1 by r A plus 1 by r B. And we have the nuclear nuclear repulsion energy which is plus e square by 4 pi epsilon naught R A B.

So, we will just copy this back here and start looking at the solution. The Hamiltonian H is minus h bar square by 2 m e del r 1 square minus e square by 4 pi epsilon naught 1 by r A plus 1 by r B plus e square by 4 pi epsilon naught R A B. So, let me switch back to color ok. So, that is a Hamiltonian.

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$$\langle E \rangle_{\psi_{mo}^+} = \frac{1}{2(1+S_{AB})} \int (\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}) \left(-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_r^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{r_A} + \frac{1}{r_B} \right) + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} \right) (\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}) dx$$

Therefore the average energy E or the expectation value E for the states ψ_{mo}^+ is going to be.

Because there is a ψ_{mo}^+ the normalization constants appear as $2(1+S_{AB})$ outside. And then you have the integral $\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}$ times within this integral we have the Hamiltonian $-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_r^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \left(\frac{1}{r_A} + \frac{1}{r_B} \right) + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}}$ all of which acting on the same wave function $\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B}$.

So, this is one long integral the wave function the Hamiltonian acting on the wave function. Now if we look at the A and B. We see some symmetry here because the label A and B are arbitrary the labels are arbitrary and therefore, this Hamiltonian can be simplified further.

So, what I would do is before we proceed to simplify this equation. Let me pass for a break and then in a few seconds we will come back, but this is the quantity that we need to calculate. And the when you have ψ_{mo}^- you will do exactly the same calculation except $1 - S_{AB}$ $\phi_{1s_A} - \phi_{1s_B}$ $\phi_{1s_A} - \phi_{1s_B}$ is the other energy average energy or the expectation energy for the other molecular state. So, we need to look on both of them let us do that after we pause for a short break we will come back in a few seconds.

So, let us now look at the integral more carefully term by term. The first term that I would like to look at is see you have look at this there is two terms here and then 1 2 3 4 4 here and a 2. So, there are 16 terms if you expanded them algebraically, but a lot of them are equal or very similar.

So, we will see them that similarity now. Let us take the first ϕ_{1sA} and the Hamiltonian minus \hbar^2 by $2m_e$ ∇^2 minus e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 r_A$ and ϕ_{1sA} . let us take the first term.

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The first equation is:

$$\int \phi_{1sA} \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_A} \right] \phi_{1sA} d\tau$$

Ground state energy for the electron in the 1s orbital of atom A

The second equation is:

$$\int \phi_{1sA} \left(-\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_B} \right) \phi_{1sA} d\tau = E_{1s}$$

⇒ Coulombic integral J

A diagram shows two nuclei, A and B, with a distance r_B between them.

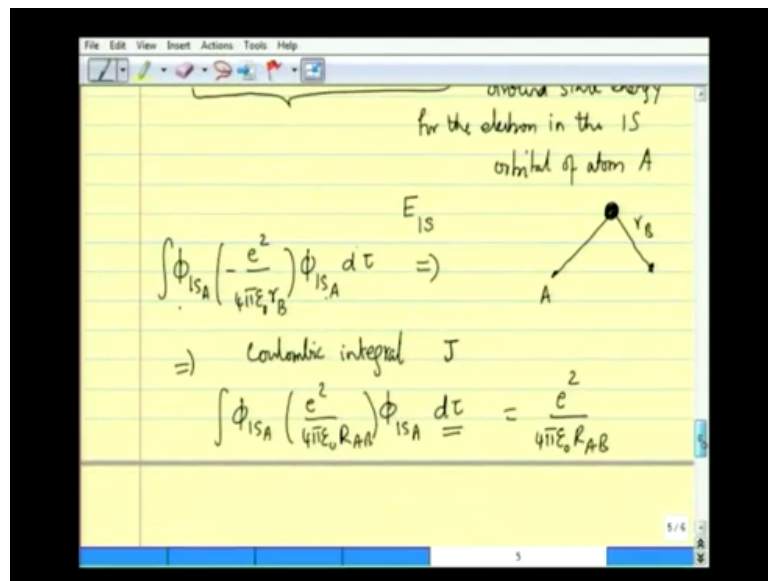
So, we leave the constants out, but the first one that we are looking at is ϕ_{1sA} minus \hbar^2 by $2m_e$ ∇^2 minus e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 r_A$ ϕ_{1sA} $d\tau$. Quite obviously, this is the electron in the hydrogen atom A the kinetic energy of the electron and the potential energy of the electron with respect to the nucleus A therefore, this is exactly the ground state energy for the electron in the 1s orbital of atom A. So, if I have to follow the notation that I use in my notes I would call this well it is E_{1s} ok.

So, that is the first term. The next term that I would like to look at is ϕ_{1sA} see we since we started with ϕ_{1sA} and we have looked at part of it let us complete the rest of it namely ϕ_{1sA} minus e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 r_B$ ϕ_{1sA} $d\tau$. This if you look at carefully the electron you are looking at the r_B is this and this is the a nucleus the charge density of the electron in that region $\phi_{1sA} \phi_{1sA}$ divided by a distance

and therefore, you can look at this as the columbic interaction energy or a columbic integral for the electron with respect to this nucleus ok.

So, what you have is a this integral is called the Columbic integral. In that a classical limit you can see this as a charged density divided by the distance of the electron from each others center. Therefore, you have this as a columbic integral and the notation is that it is called J, we will write that as J and then we will sum it up.

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Now that is with respect to ϕ_{1SA} and the last term that we have is the term namely $\int \phi_{1SA} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} \right) \phi_{1SA} d\tau$. And this is a straightforward nuclear repulsion term because the integral $d\tau$ is an integral over the electron coordinates the positions of the electron coordinates and the, the R_{AB} the small depend on the electron coordinates it is the inter nuclear separation.

So, this is given that the $\int \phi_{1SA} \phi_{1SA} d\tau$ integral itself is normalized this is nothing other than the nuclear electron repulsion energy $\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}}$. Maybe I should make sure that with the minus sign I will call it as J it is fine.

So, this is basically $\frac{1}{R_{AB}}$ times the charge the integral that the $d\tau$ does not contain any variable from the nuclear positions. Therefore, this is a simple additional term. Now that is as far as the ϕ_{1SA} on this whole thing is concerned I have only taken the ϕ_{1SA} .

Now, we have to do the same exercise with ϕ_{1s_A} everything and ϕ_{1s_B} . So, let us write this the remaining.

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$$\int \phi_{1s_A} \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \nabla_{r_1}^2 - \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_A} \right] \phi_{1s_B} d\tau$$

$$\int E_{1s} \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau = E_{1s} \int \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} = E_{1s} S_{AB}$$

$$\int \phi_{1s_A} \left[-\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_B} \right] \phi_{1s_B} d\tau = \text{Exchange integral} = K$$

The next set with the ϕ_{1s_A} would be ϕ_{1s_A} minus \hbar^2 by $2m_e$ $\nabla_{r_1}^2$ minus e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 r_A$ we will just keep that term, but then put in $\phi_{1s_B} d\tau$. This is also straightforward you remember that when you put the Hamiltonian operator between the two wave functions. The Hamiltonian operator can act on the function on the right hand side to give you whatever the in this case of course, the energy.

But it can also act on the left side because the Hamiltonian (Refer Time: 30:03) operator. And if you think of the Hamiltonian acting on the function on the left hand side you have nothing other than \hbar^2 acting on ϕ_{1s_A} . This is the \hbar^2 of the electron in the $1s$ orbital of atom 1 and therefore, this will still give you E_{1s} times ϕ_{1s_A} .

Therefore this integral will become the integral $\phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau$. Which if you remember E_{1s} is a constant the $1s$ electron energy it is nothing, but E_{1s} times the integral $\phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B}$ and therefore, this is E_{1s} times the S_{AB} ok as simple as that.

Next the integral that we are still left with, with the first term ϕ_{1s_A} or the following namely minus e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 r_B$ $\phi_{1s_B} d\tau$. Now there is no

classical interpretation for a quantity like this which involves the electron centered at one nucleus that is the centered at one atom ϕ_{1S_A} . And the wave function with the coordinate with the center at another nucleus and the $1/r$. There is no this is this does not have any classical interpretation and it is called exchange integral.

It is purely a quantum mechanical term, integral due to the fact that we took the linear superposition of wave functions and put the Hamiltonian and calculated it. The linear superposition is a quantum mechanical idea and this integral is a quantum mechanical quantity this is called exchange integral. And the usual notation for that is K .

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$$\int H_{1s} \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau = E_{1s} \int \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau = E_{1s} S_{AB}$$

$$\int \phi_{1s_A} \left[-\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{AB}} \right] \phi_{1s_B} d\tau = \text{Exchange integral} = K$$

$$\int \phi_{1s_A} \left[+\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} \right] \phi_{1s_B} d\tau = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} \int \phi_{1s_A} \phi_{1s_B} d\tau = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} S$$

And the last term with ϕ_{1S_A} on the left hand side is of course, the minus e^2 sorry plus e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}$ ϕ_{1S_B} $d\tau$. Again you remember that R_{AB} does not contain any coordinates of the electron in it and therefore, this integral is essentially this constant coming out R_{AB} and the integral $\phi_{1S_A} \phi_{1S_B} d\tau$ which is e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}$ times S .

So, what we have done in this exercise let us collect all the eight quantities that we have with ϕ_{1S_A} here. Ok ϕ_{1S_A} . Let me do a little more messy thing here let us put the ϕ_{1S_A} here and I have taken the everything all of this. And I have taken ϕ_{1S_A} and ϕ_{1S_B} those are the eight quantities that we have calculated.

So, far and the answer was there is some namely E_{1S} plus J plus K . Let us write that E_{1S} plus J plus R_{AB} this term. Then we had E_{1S} , S_{AB} and we had K and we had e^2 square by $4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}$ S s. So, these are the five results that we got.

Now, what is left over is the same integration process that needs to be carried out with the quantity ψ_{1S} here everything here and everything here ψ_{1S} A plus ψ_{1S} B . So, exactly eight more terms need to be calculated. Now what is the difference between A and B that is your choice and my choice I mean if I had to switch the A and B around, how are we going to get any different result from what we already got.

Therefore, by looking at the symmetry of the whole thing right away I can say I am going to get twice the result the moment I put in the ψ_{1S} B , and calculate this result I am going to get exactly the same answer as I got for ψ_{1S} A and therefore, the answer is exactly twice and that 2 and this 2 will sort of cancel each other. So, what do we have therefore, as the energy.

This is true because the nuclei are identical.

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$$\langle E \rangle_{\psi_{mo}} = \frac{1}{2(1+S)} \left\{ E_{1S} + J + K + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} (1+S) + E_{1S} S \right\}$$

$$= E_{1S} + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} + \frac{J+K}{(1+S)}$$

So, the final answer therefore, for the average value $E_{\psi_{mo}}$ plus is going to be 1 by 2 times 1 plus S into 2 times E_{1S} plus J plus K plus e^2 square by $4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}$ into 1 plus S plus E_{1S} times S .

So, this will simplify to goes away and the $1 + S$ can be cancelled with the E_{1s} term and plus e^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 RAB$ that also has the $1 + S$ canceling and what is left over is $J + K$ divided by $1 + S$ (Refer Time: 36:36). So, that is all we have.

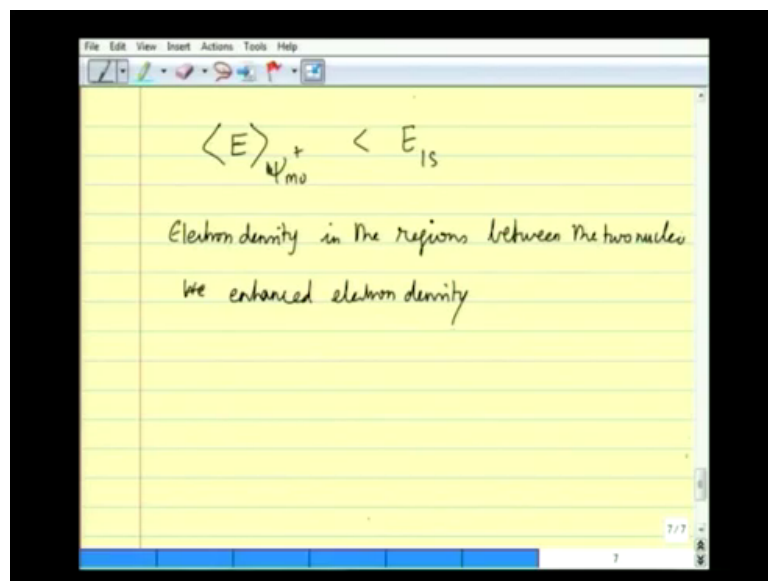
The integrals J and K are both negative, E_{1s} is also negative please remember that is minus 13.6 electron volts for the hydrogen atom the ground state $1s$ electron energy S is a positive quantity the overlap integral because both ψ_{1sA} and ψ_{1sB} the $1s$ wave functions are positive everywhere therefore, the product of this and the integral of that cannot be negative.

So, you have a small positive quantity, you have negative quantities you have E_{1s} which is a negative quantity and the only thing that contributes positively here is the E^2 by $4\pi\epsilon_0 RAB$ and therefore, you see as RAB changes you are going to have varying values for the ψ_{mo} plus.

But this is actually a the inter nuclear separation this electron energy is calculated for 1 inter nuclear separation. If we have to calculate the electron energy for a different inter nuclear separation we will get different energies.

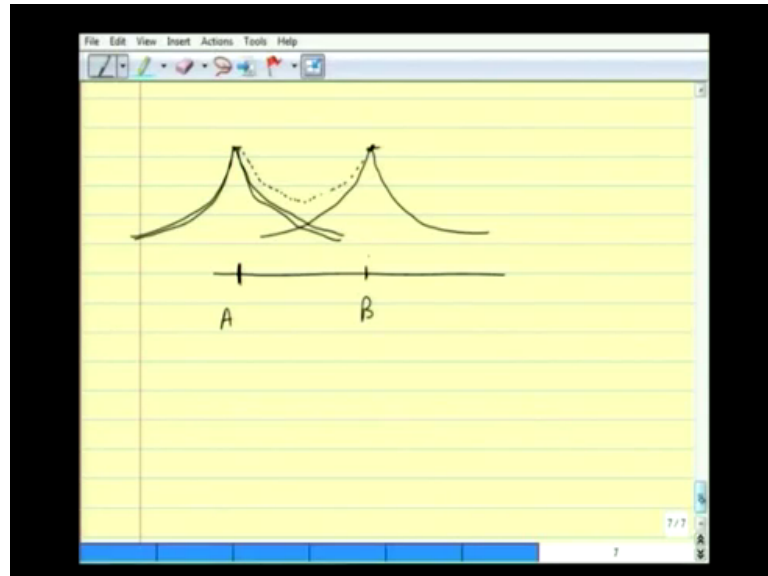
So, the whole thing is a negative energy and it is less than E_{1s} and therefore, the ψ_{mo} plus leads to an E_{mo} plus less than E_{1s} .

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Also if you look at the electron density, in the regions between the two nuclei we will see an enhanced electron density, due to the overlap.

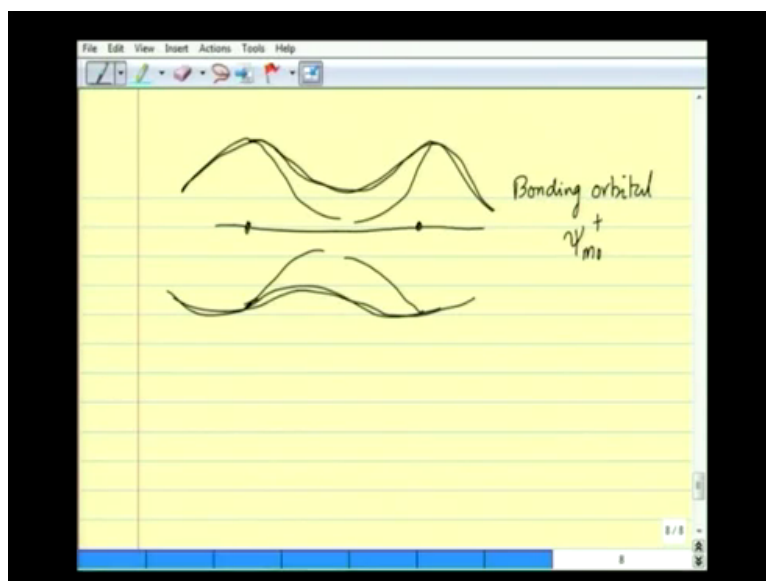
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Let us look at that again we have the two nuclei here A and B well maybe not this for let us a put the B a little bit closer and we have the R A B separation. If the electron wave function is a $1s$ A wave function obviously, the $1s$ wave function for this you remember when this has the 0, is going to go something like this it is an exponential function.

Now, the ψ_{1sB} is exactly the same also has the same maximum is again since the radius is unsigned quantity the electron wave function on a sphere of r is going to vary like this. For the ψ_{1sB} the electron wave function is going to be something like this ok.

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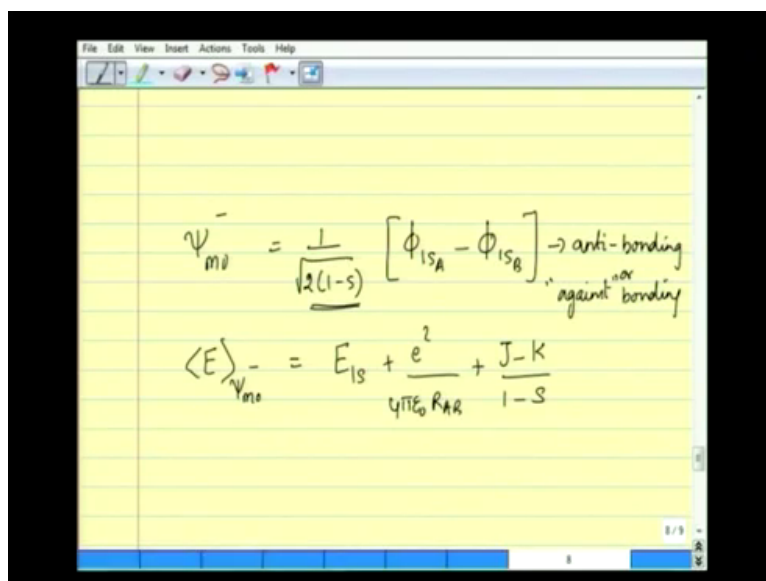


This is positive this is positive all of all quantities are positive. Therefore, now if you see the overall electron wave function $C_1 \psi_1 + C_2 \psi_2$ the sum of the two is obviously, like that increased value.

So, if you take the square of that and calculate the electron density you would see that the electron density due to the $\psi_1 + \psi_2$ is all is going to be an increased quantity than the individual quantities.

So, this increase in the electron density which is cylindrical in this case because the coordinate dependent is only the inter nuclear separation all around that at any given point in a cylinder you see that the electron density is going to be the same. Therefore, this is a cylindrical enhanced electron density and for obvious reasons this is called the bonding orbital. Because now the electron is more likely to be found between the two nuclei for this particular molecular orbital and it is called the bonding orbital or ψ_+ .

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$$\psi_{m0}^- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1-s)}} [\phi_{1sA} - \phi_{1sB}] \rightarrow \text{anti-bonding}$$

"against" bonding

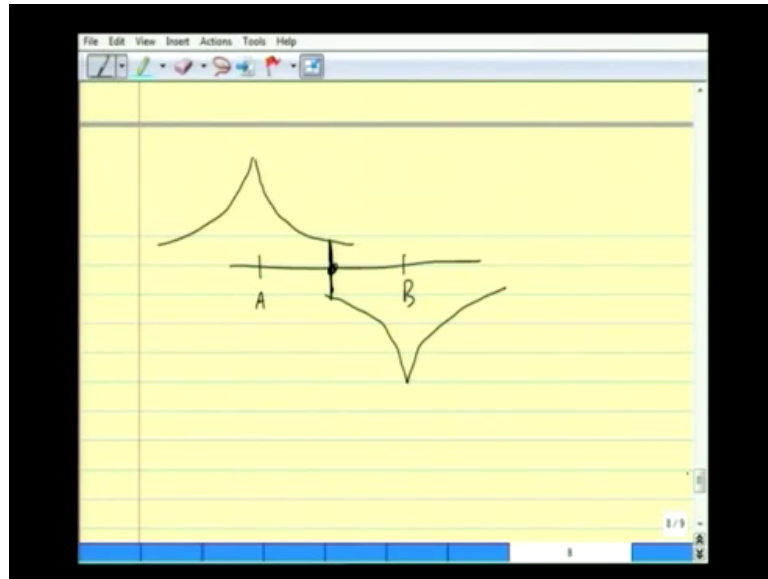
$$\langle E \rangle_{\psi_{m0}^-} = E_{1s} + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}} + \frac{J-K}{1-s}$$

On the other hand if we were to do the same calculation with the psi m o minus which is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2(1-s)}} [\phi_{1sA} - \phi_{1sB}]$. If you were to do this calculation you recall that the integral that we did evaluate the sixteen in terms of the evaluator by doing the first eight and then multiplying the whole thing by two the integral that we evaluated is going to have $1 - s$ and therefore, the corresponding quantities.

So, let me go back and here all that people would have is E_{1s} will remain the same this will remain the same, but the integral $J + K$ by $1 + s$ will change over to $J - K$ by $1 - s$. So, the answer would be if you calculate E for psi m o minus. The answer would turn out to be $E_{1s} + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}}$ which is a constant for this then what you will have is plus $J - K$ by $1 - s$.

When you actually calculate this value using all the wave functions and the integrals J and K you evaluate. You find out that the $E_{\psi_{m0}^-}$ is always greater than the E_{1s} hydrogen. And therefore, this is a case in which the energy for this particular molecular orbital wave function is higher than the energy of the $1s$ orbital. And the electron density that you look at because of the minus sign the electron density in the inter nuclear region between the two nuclei the electron density is depleted from what would be the electron density due to either 1 of these $1s$ orbitals alone.

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So, if you draw this picture on the wave function A and B exactly the same picture that you draw, if you choose the ψ_{1sA} same with the positive sign of course, the wave function is going to be like this and if B is the ψ_{1sB} is with a negative sign obviously, you are going to have the wave function come out like that and the wave function come out like that. And the sum of the two wave functions at exactly the midpoint you see it is going to be 0 this is 0 at this point.

Therefore 0 at this point and also the electron density you will see that the value of the electron density at this point is 0 and the value of the electron density in any intermediate point between A and B is going to be less than the electron density due to the nucleus A alone or due to the nucleus B alone therefore, the electron density is depleted.

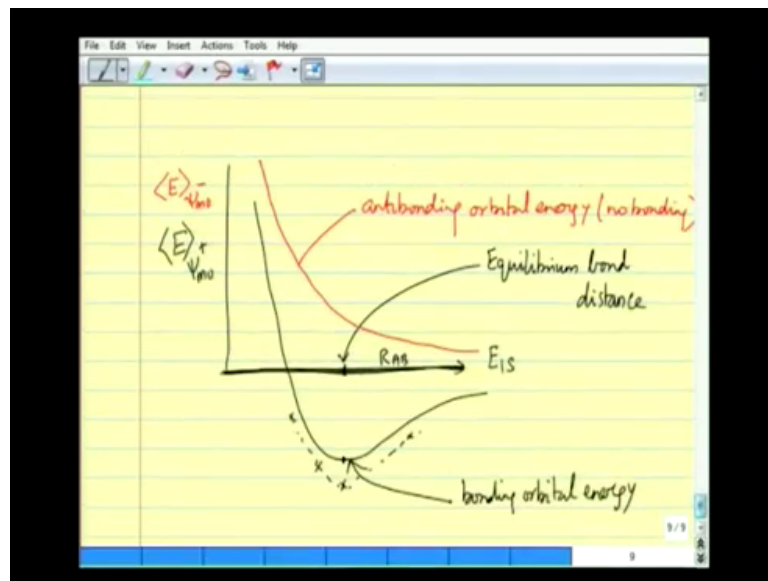
So, for obvious reasons we therefore, call this ψ_{mo-} as the anti bonding against bonding call this as anti bonding or against bonding. It is a higher energy.

So, these are some of the basic results that one looks at when you study the hydrogen molecule ion closely. And where are we with respect to the energy that we calculate what is the experimental energy? Please remember variational principle tells you that the exact energy that you obtain for the system is always going to be lower than any energy that you calculate using any combination of a functions except when those wave functions coincide exactly with the Eigen function of the system, which in this case we know it is not therefore, you see that the experimental energies that we can calculate that we

obtained from spectroscopy and the energies that we calculate for the ψ_{m0+} and ψ_{m0-} as a function of the inter nuclear distance the energy.

Here is as we vary the nuclear distance we calculate electronic energies for different nuclei nuclear configurations and then we find a minimum for the ψ_{m0+} we do not find any minimum for the ψ_{m0-} and therefore, the picture that we have when we do this.

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For E_{+} this $E_{\psi_{m0+}}$ if we do that the picture we have is if this is like the E_{1s} then what you have is as a function of R_{AB} the coordinate here is the inter nuclear separation or AB . You see that there is a minimum that is some value of r which we call as the equilibrium bond distance.

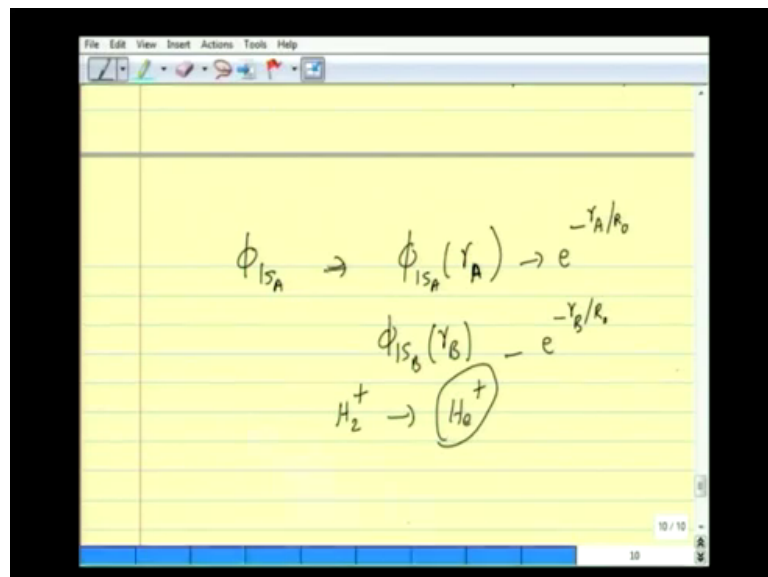
If on the other hand if we calculate the $e_{\psi_{m0-}}$ and for the orbital with the minus sign if we do that $e_{\psi_{m0-}}$ and we plot the energy as a function of R_{AB} what we get out is that never goes to a minimum it is always higher than the E_{1s} hydrogen energy. And therefore, this is the anti bonding orbital energy no bonding this is the bonding orbital energy as a function of the inter nuclear positions for AB .

And the experimentally when we find out what the energies are I do not have the experimental graph, but I will put those things in the lecture notes that you will see on the website the experimental graph seems to be some there of course, you do not have a

continuous graph for experiments you know you determine the things spectroscopically. So, you have something like that.

So, if you were to connect to this the experimental minimum is lower than the minimum that you calculated using this ϕ_{1S_A} and ϕ_{1S_B} . Therefore, how do we now try to get the best value that matches close to the experiment ok. We have choices we chose the experimentally the basis function as ϕ_{1S_A} and ϕ_{1S_B} . Now let us look at a simple logical factor and see whether we can do a variational calculation on that with that I will close this lecture.

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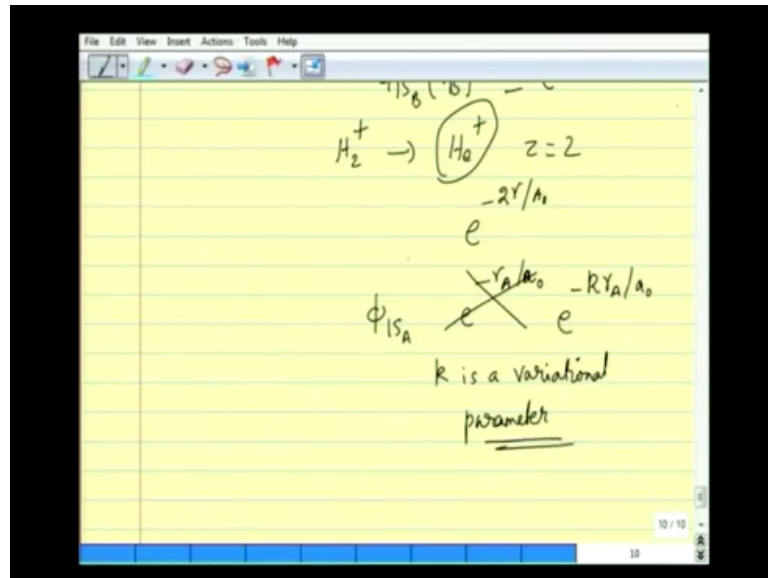


When you talk about ϕ_{1S_A} you are talking about the wave function ϕ_{1S_A} at the position of the nucleus I mean the electron which is r_1 which is r_A that is the distance from the nucleus a and you know that this is like e^{-r_A/a_0} by the Bohr radius what do you call that R_0 And there is a normalization constant ϕ_{1S_B} would be obviously, the inter nuclear distance I mean the electron nuclear distances r_B it will be like e^{-r_B/a_0} by a_0 the Bohr radius.

This is with the assumption that when the two nuclei are infinitely far apart from each other that these are the corresponding limiting wave functions. But what happens if the nucleus one nucleus falls on the other. So, that the H_2^+ becomes a helium plus. I mean let us forget the fact that the proton repulsion is going to be enormous etcetera, but let us assume that the r_{AB} goes to 0. And therefore, H_2^+ becomes a helium plus this

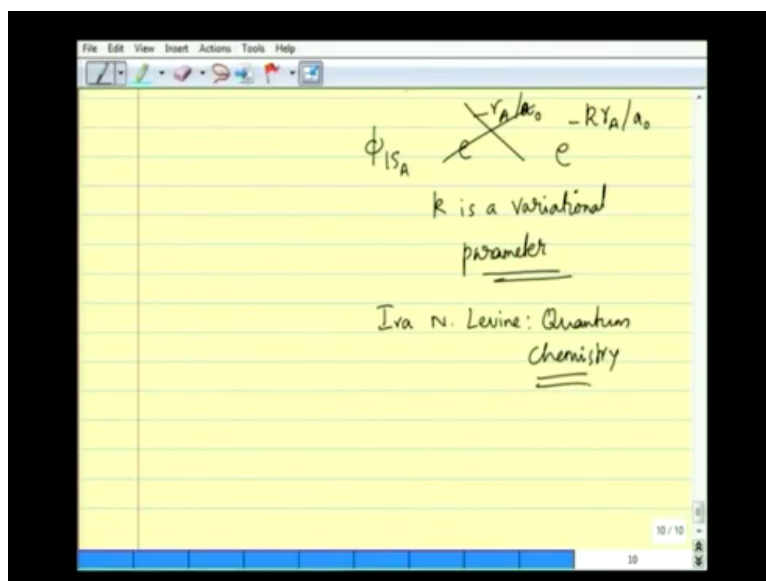
is an exactly solvable problem because you see this is a 1 electron system with the nuclear charges it is equal to 2 and therefore, the wave function is not any one of these it is not a linear combination of any one of these but it is essentially going to be e^{-2r/a_0} the Bohr radius ok.

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So, therefore, in one limit it is e^{-r} in another limit it is e^{-2r} . So, what should we do? Do a variational calculation introduce a parameter called the K which is an effective nuclear charge. So, you would rather write ψ_{1s_A} as e^{-kr} instead of e^{-r/a_0} sorry I think I have been using capital a , but a_0 this is this a standard symbol for the Bohr radius. Instead do not use this instead use your parameter e^{-kr/a_0} and minimize the energy that you get using that linear combination, minimize that energy with respect to k as a variational parameter k is a variational parameter. This is very nicely done in the textbook by Levine.

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Quantum chemistry I have an older version of the book. So, I do not know the exact pages in the current version, but this integral is calculated with this as a variational parameter and simple ideas are explained.

So, there is room for us to do a slight improvement in our calculation by introducing a variational constant. Therefore, you see that the methods that we have already learned are going to be implemented in the way in which we see the orbital energies to match with what we think should be the experimental frequencies that we obtain. Experimentally you do not measure the energy you measure the frequencies, but if you calculate the molecular orbital bonding and if you calculate the anti bonding orbital the difference between the two is obviously, the frequency that we are worried about in raising the electron from the lower orbital to the higher energy orbital. And that difference should be matched with the experimental frequencies and then one back calculates these things.

So, it is possible to do a variational calculus the calculation on this and hydrogen molecular ion is one of the most thoroughly studied and most very well documented subject on the literature of chemical bonding. So, we will continue this with any further additional data that you need in the lecture notes, but in the next lecture I will talk about the hydrogen molecule and not hydrogen molecular ion, that is two electrons we will do it using a different method known as the valence bond method until then.

Thank you very much.