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Begin ch 10: Modeling bonding in molecules

- Mixing AO's makes MO's <https://goo.gl/eliM2a>
- AO-MO correlation diagrams
- Bond order: H_2^+ to Be_2 (!)

Next (final) lecture: 2p MO's <https://goo.gl/2MEiRA>; B_2 to Ne_2 (!); When atoms are different, which AO's make MO's: Symmetry, overlap, energy (SOE)

Bonding in diatomic molecules <http://goo.gl/1h0S9C>
Questions on Symmetry, Overlap, Energy (SOE) <http://goo.gl/oYEF3b>

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1s molecular orbitals:
<http://quantum.bu.edu/CDF/101/1sMolecularOrbitals.cdf>

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Atoms interact by mixing **waves**

AO “+” AO → 2 MO’s

“+” means **mixing** (not addition!)

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Relative AO phase determines MO character

here the different phases of the p orbital are labeled positive and negative – this can be confusing and so is best avoided

here the different phases of the p orbital are shown by shading one half and not the other

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σ MO’s have cylindrical symmetry

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both MOs have rotational symmetry about the axis through the two nuclei

σ
 σ^*

we can rotate about this axis without changing the MOs

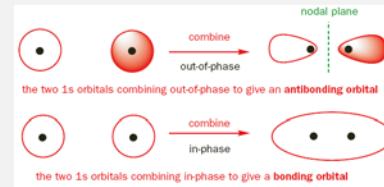
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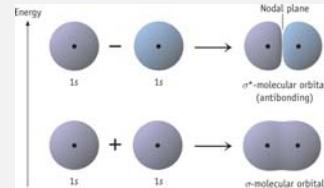
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$1s\sigma$ and $1s\sigma^*$

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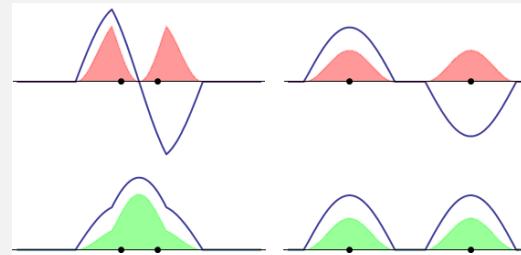
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Mahaffy et al., Figure 10.20, p. 400

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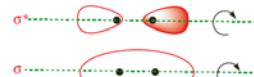
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 σ is “bonding” and σ^* is “antibonding”

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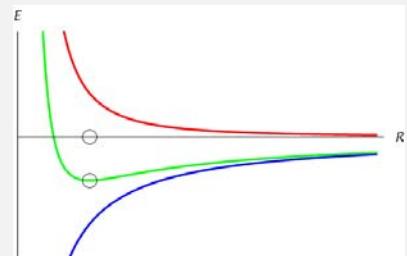
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AO-MO correlation diagramsBOSTON
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Bonding PE , KE and total E

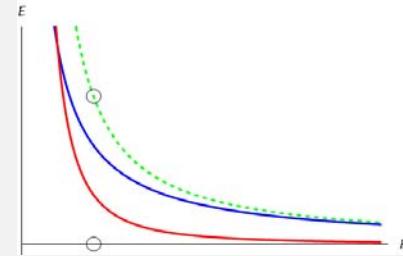


Attractive (< 0) PE is opposed by repulsive (> 0) KE .
Molecular size is at minimum of total E .

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Antibonding PE , KE and total E

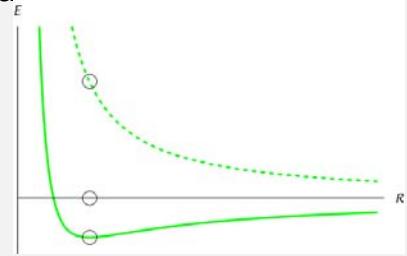


Repulsive (> 0) PE enhanced by repulsive (> 0) KE .
No minimum of total E --- atoms fly apart!

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Bonding and antibonding total E

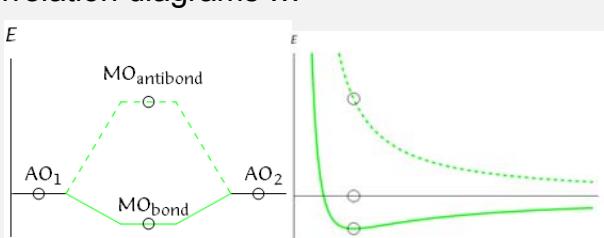


What matters are the total bonding and antibonding E at the bonding minimum versus the AO energies---the energy at infinite separation.

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Correlation diagrams ...



... summarize
bonding and antibonding effects

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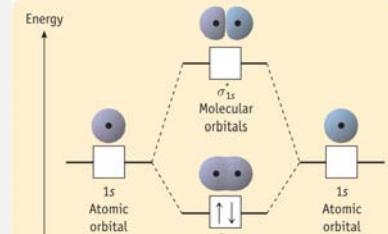
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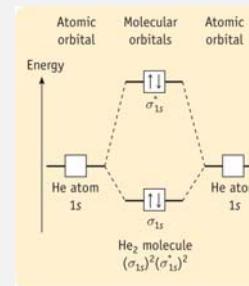
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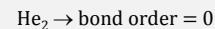
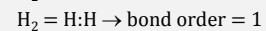
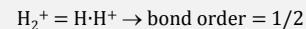
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Bond order

$$(bonding e^-'s - antibonding e^-'s)/2$$

Division by two is because a single "bond" shares a pair of electrons

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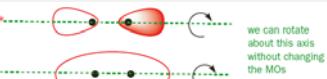
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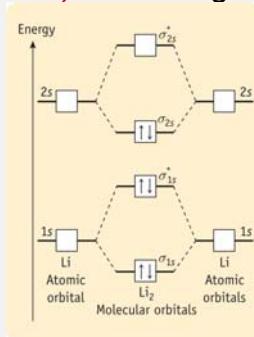
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Filling of MO's $\rightarrow \text{Li}_2$ MO configuration



Mahaffy et al., Figure 10.22

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