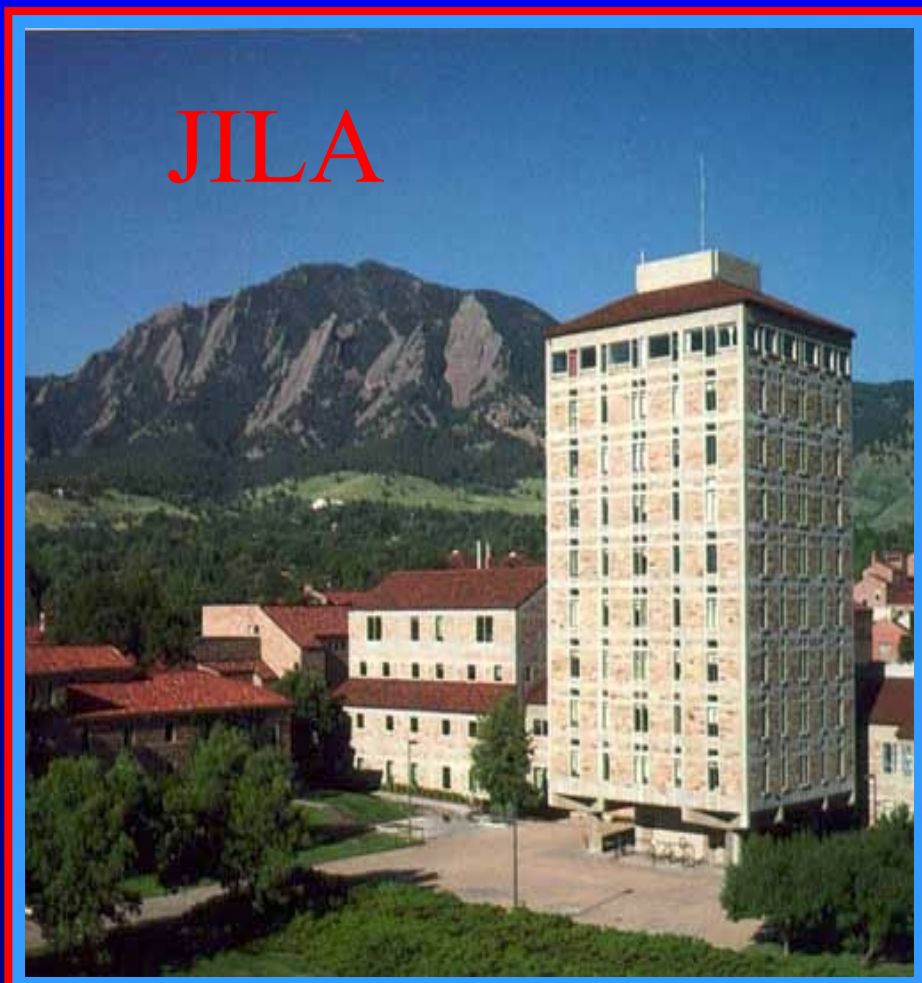


Hydrogen Bond Dynamics: From Simple to Complex



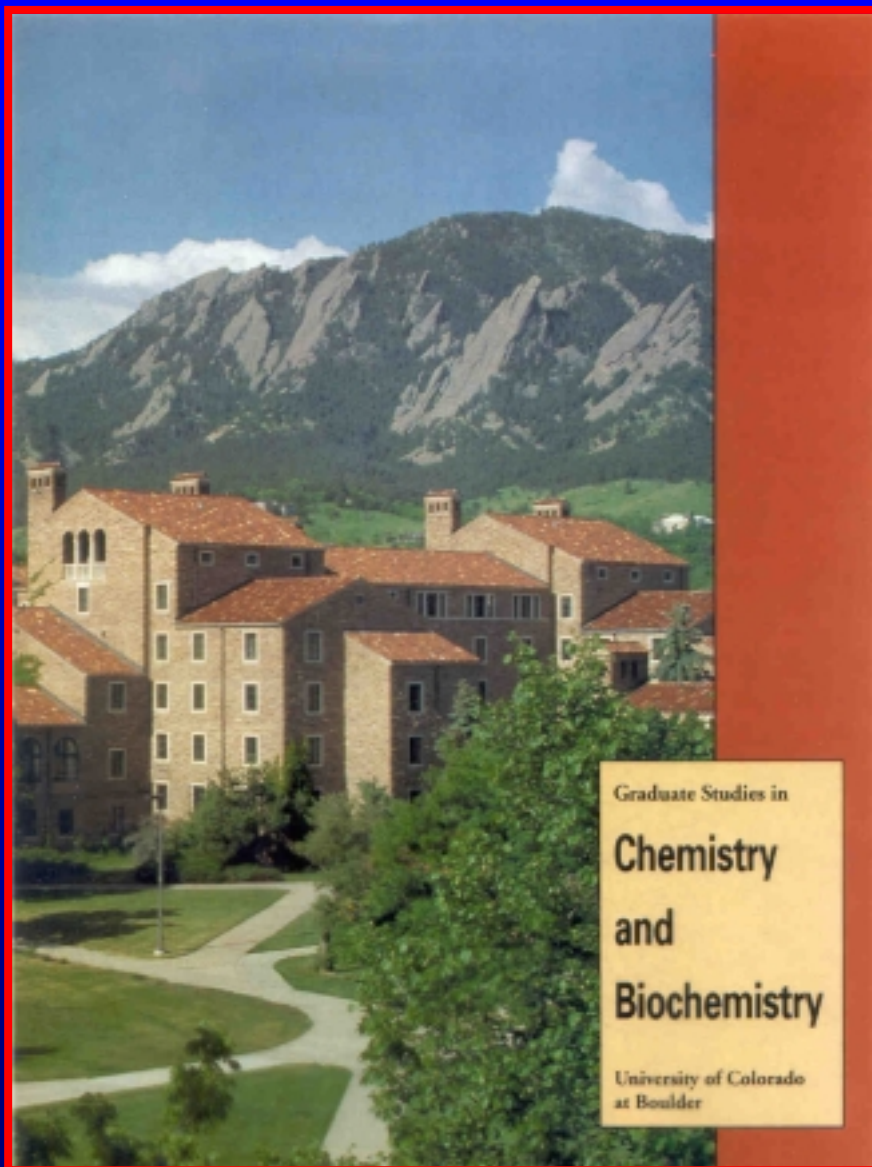
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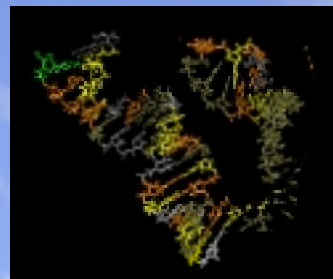
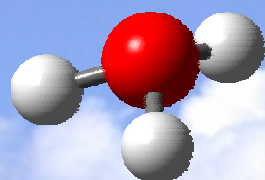
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Today's Topics

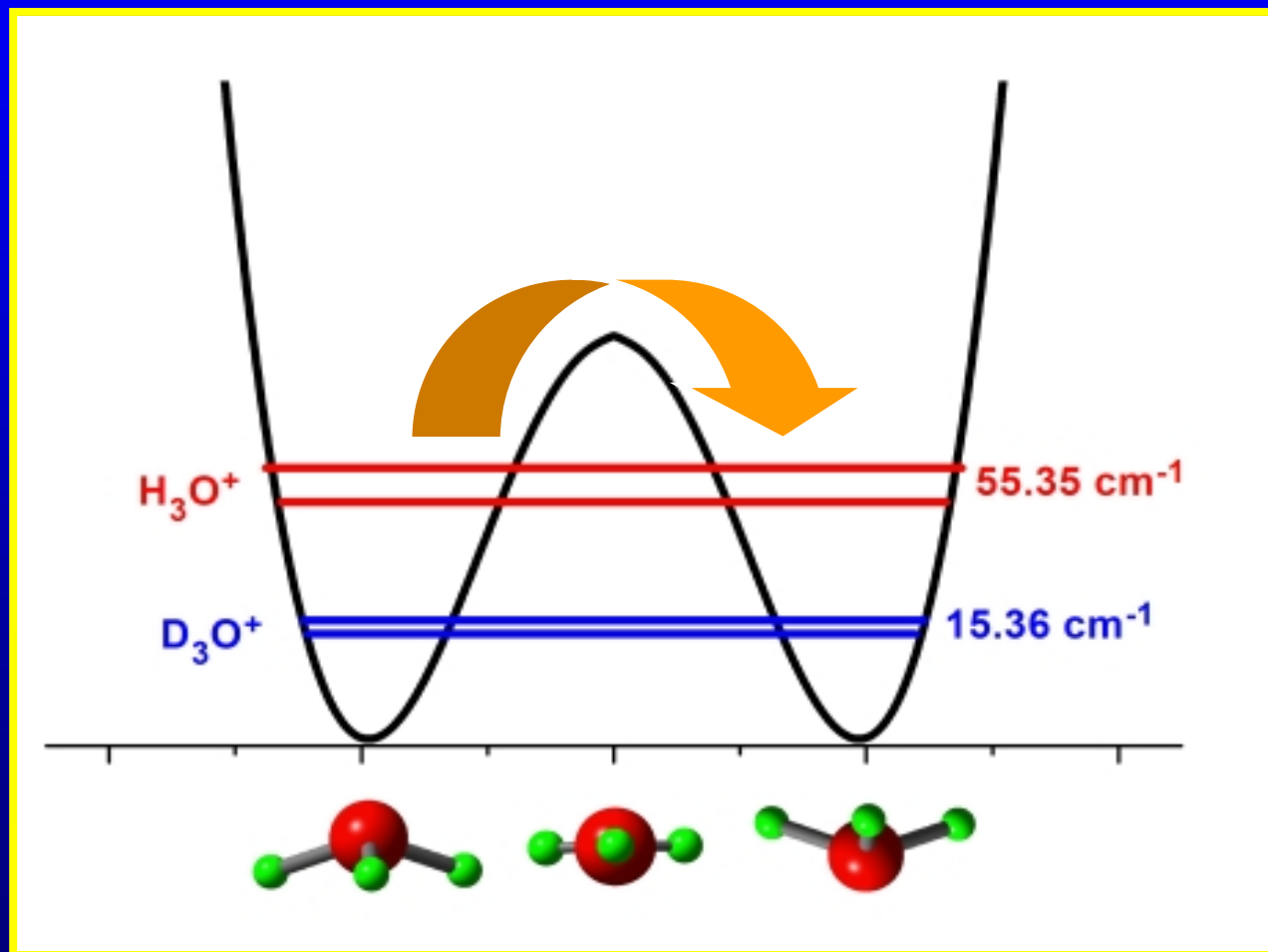
From simple to complex



Hydronium tunneling... ...to RNA folding



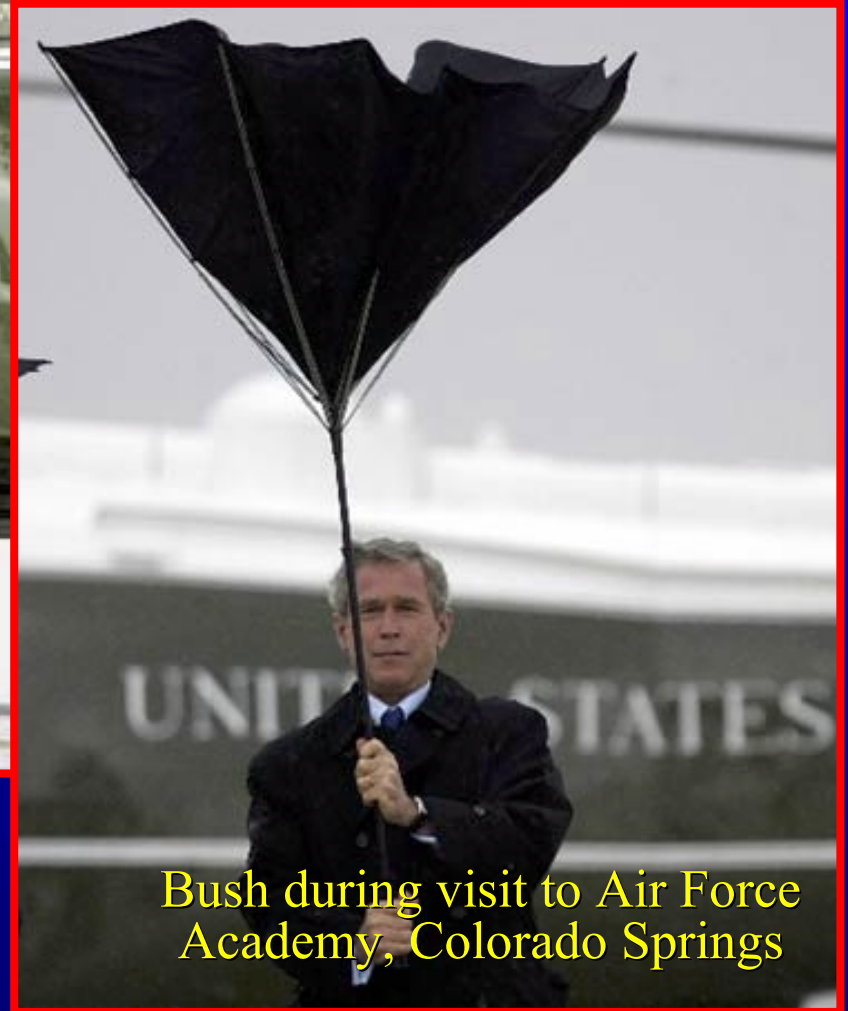
I) From the Simple... (H_3O^+)



- Arguably the simplest (and strongest) hydrogen bond!
- Ubiquitous role in aqueous chemistry and biology.
- Likely abundant polyatomic ion species in interstellar dust clouds
- Large amplitude floppy QM tunneling in “umbrella” mode

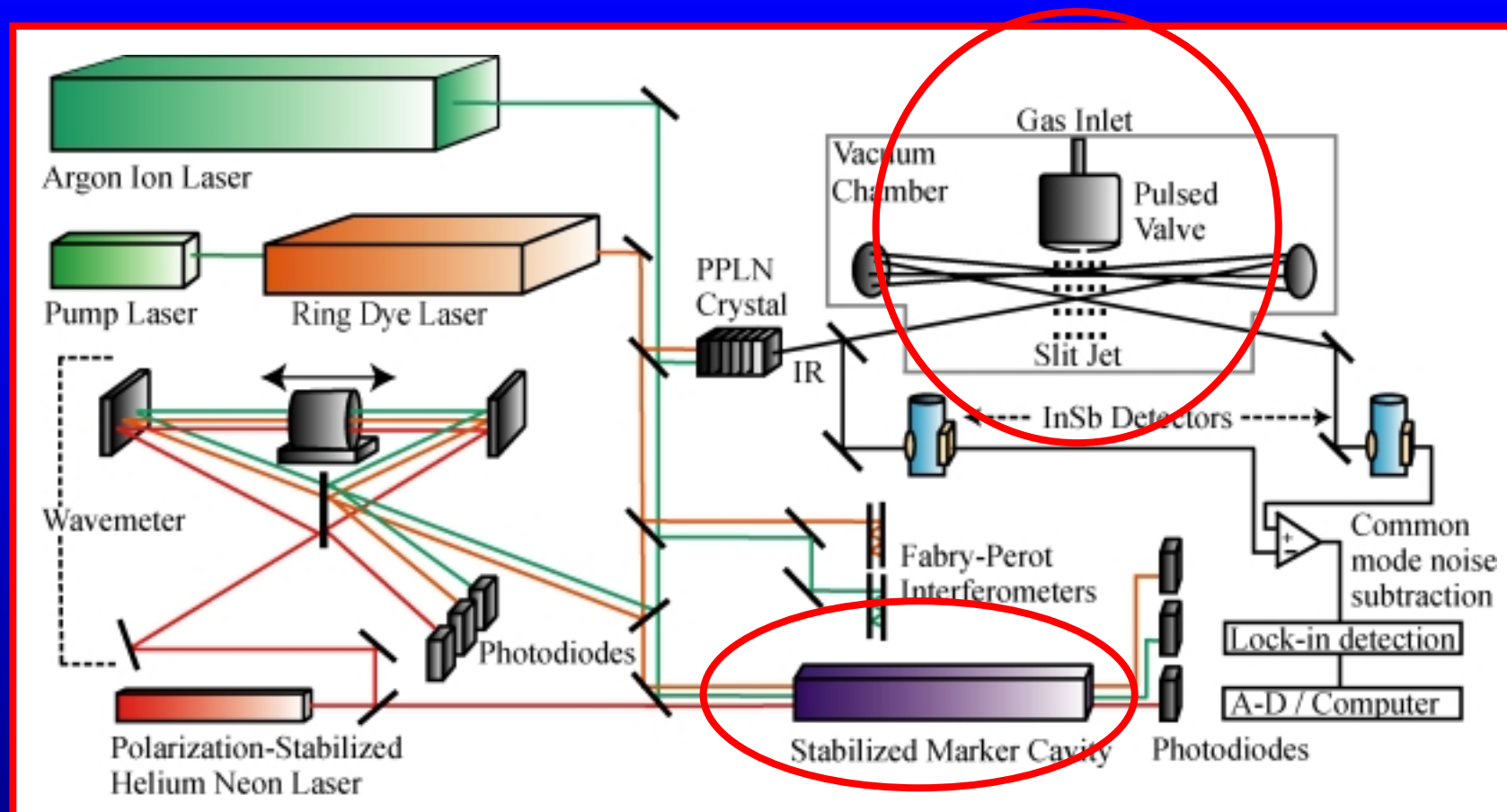
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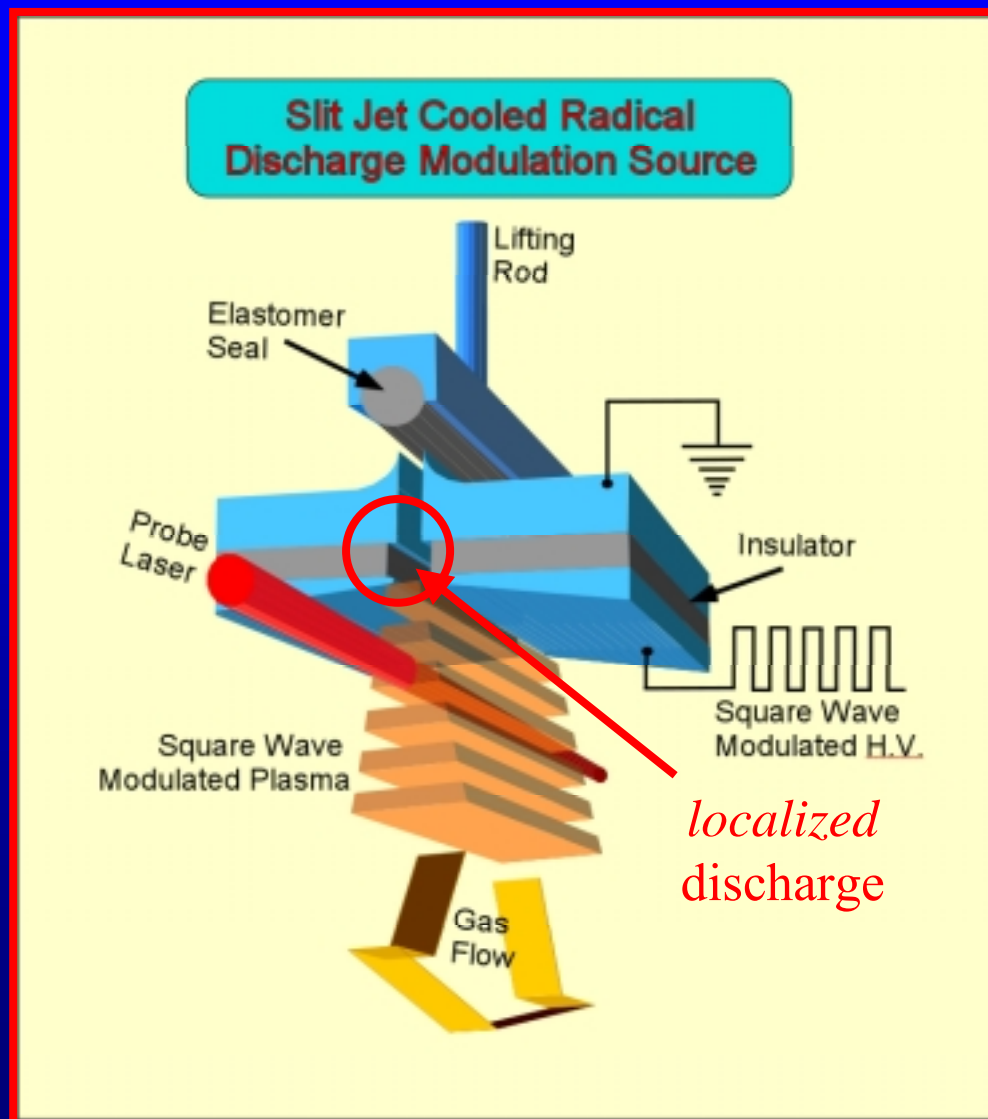
Bush during visit to Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs

Experimental

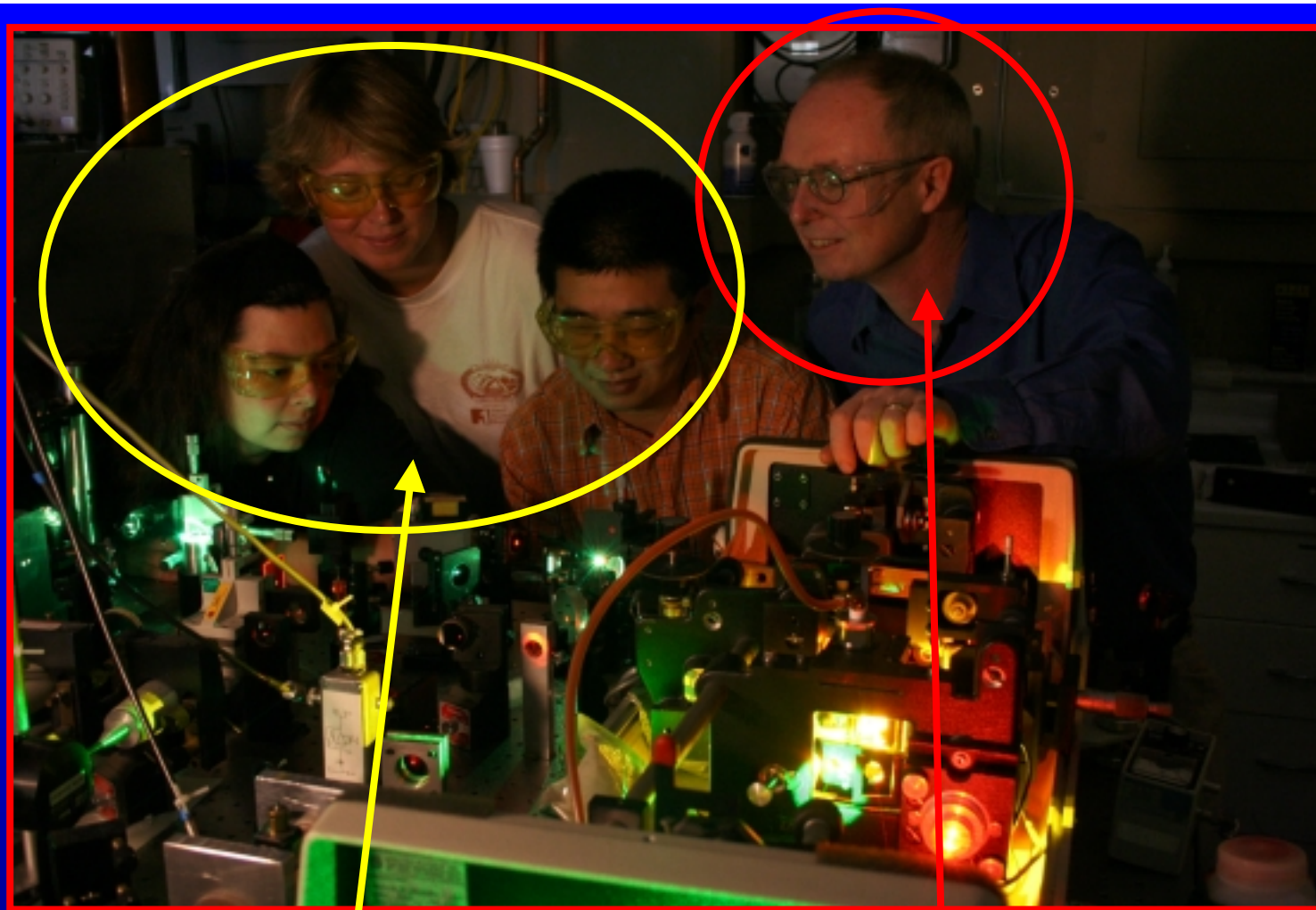


- Sub-Doppler molecular linewidths (≈ 40 MHz in Ne expansion)
- Servoloop locked optical transfer cavities for high frequency precision (≈ 20 MHz)
- Shot noise limited detection sensitivity: 1.5×10^{-5} ($N_{\min} \approx 10^7 \#/\text{cm}^3/\text{qs}$)

Jet Cooled Radical/Ions



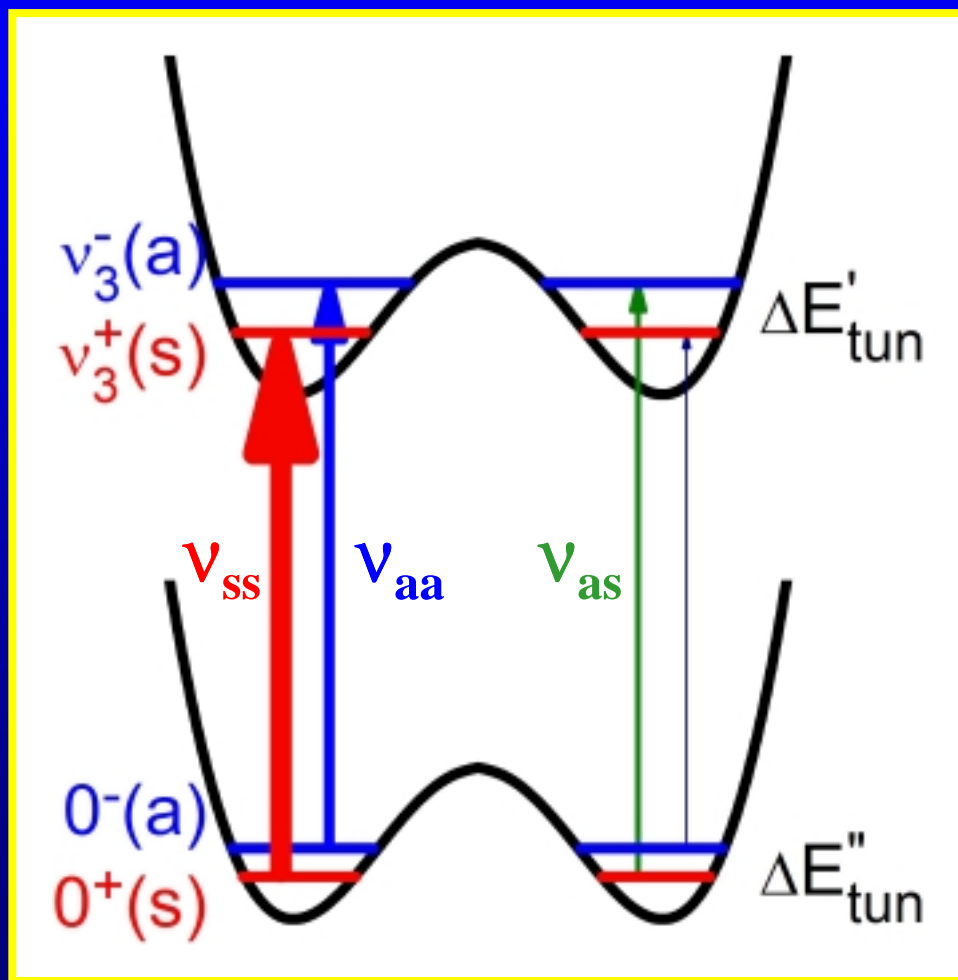
- High resolution spectroscopy of highly reactive chemical transients...
- ...under maximally simplified low T conditions



- Post docs and grad students eager for “hot” experimental tips from their research advisor...

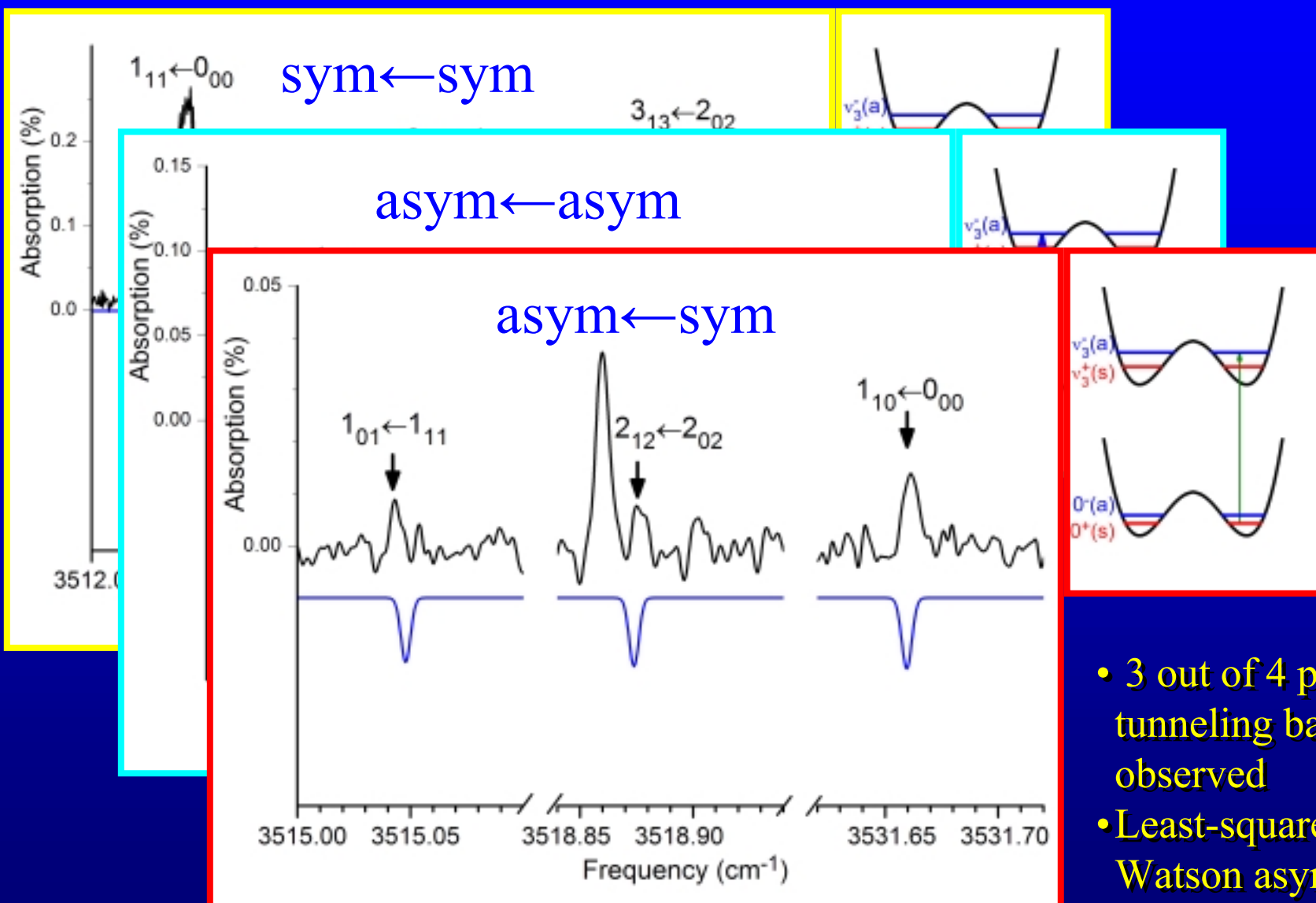
- ...research advisor ruining several days of careful alignment

Tunneling Dynamics in H_3O^+ Isotopomers?



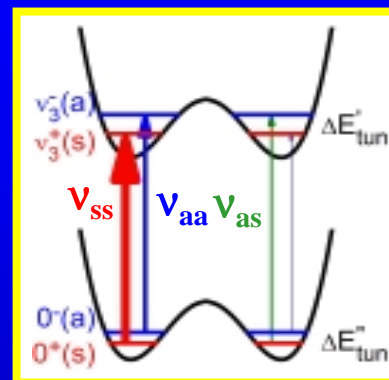
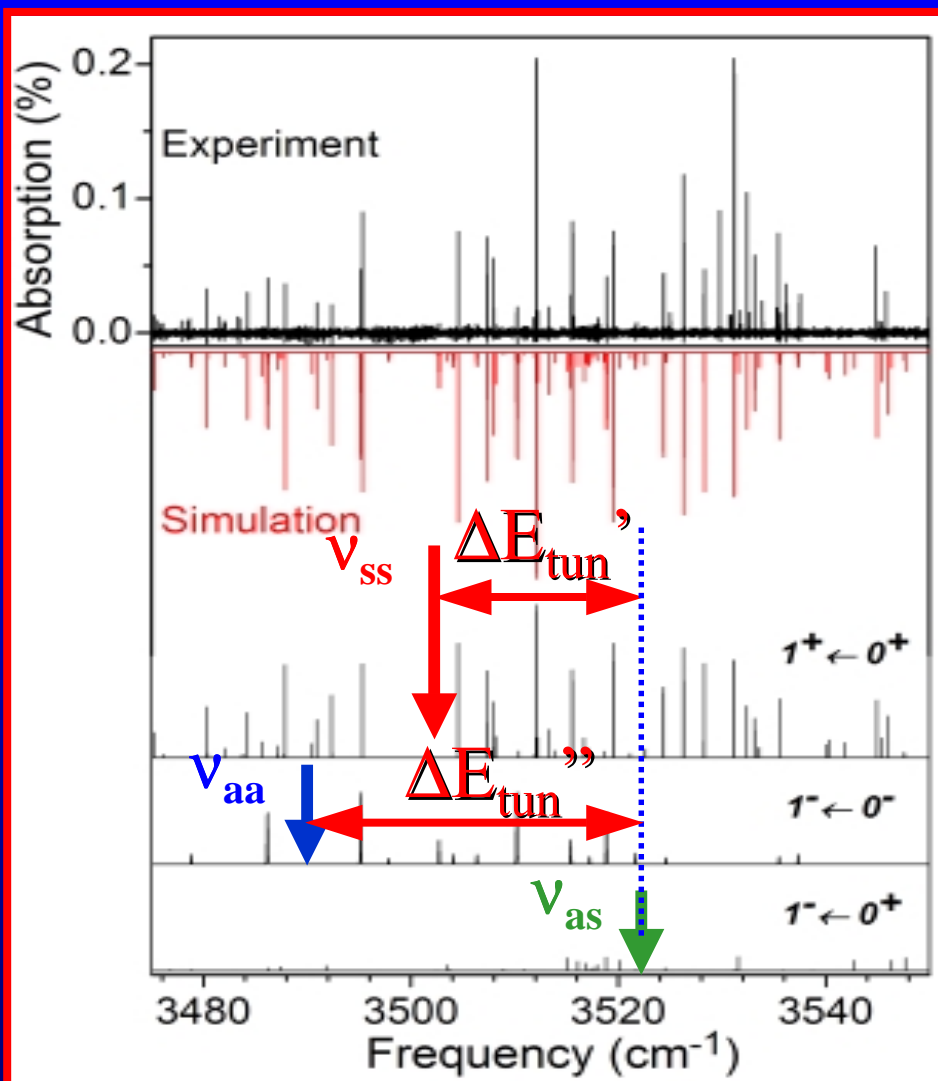
- H_3O^+ vs HD_2O^+ and H_2DO^+
- \Rightarrow *Symmetry breaking* from C_{3v} to C_s (tunneling through a C_{2v} trans state)
- Makes *all four* stretch tunneling transitions allowed in HD_2O^+ and H_2DO^+
- Permits direct tunneling splitting measurements in a *single* IR vibrational band
- \Rightarrow Map out inversion barrier by systematic “tuning” of tunneling masses from H_3O^+ to H_2DO^+ to HD_2O^+ to D_3O^+

Sample HD₂O⁺ Spectral Data



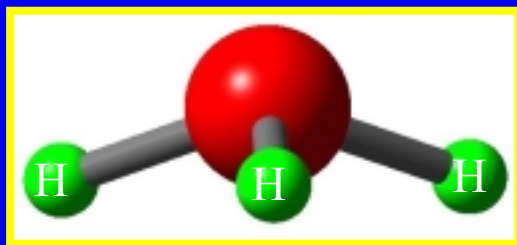
- 3 out of 4 possible tunneling bands observed
- Least-squares fit to Watson asymmetric rotor Hamiltonian

Global Infrared Spectrum of HD_2O^+

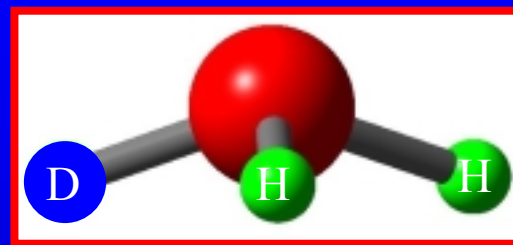


- Direct tunneling splittings in a single vibrational band
 - $\Delta E_{\text{tun}}'' = 27.032 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
 - $\Delta E_{\text{tun}}' = 17.761 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- Large difference between ground and excited state tunneling splittings

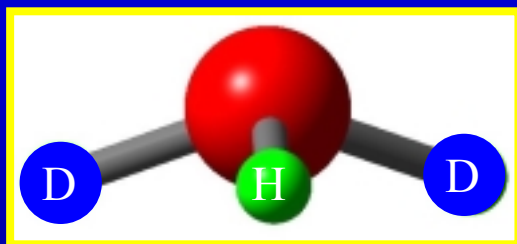
Completing the “Isotopomer Quartet”?



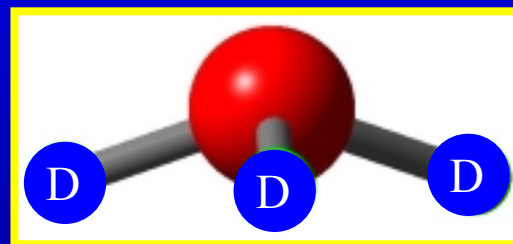
$$\Delta E_{\text{tun}}'' = 55.35 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta E_{\text{tun}}'' = ?? \text{ cm}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta E_{\text{tun}}'' = 27.03 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta E_{\text{tun}}'' = 15.36 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

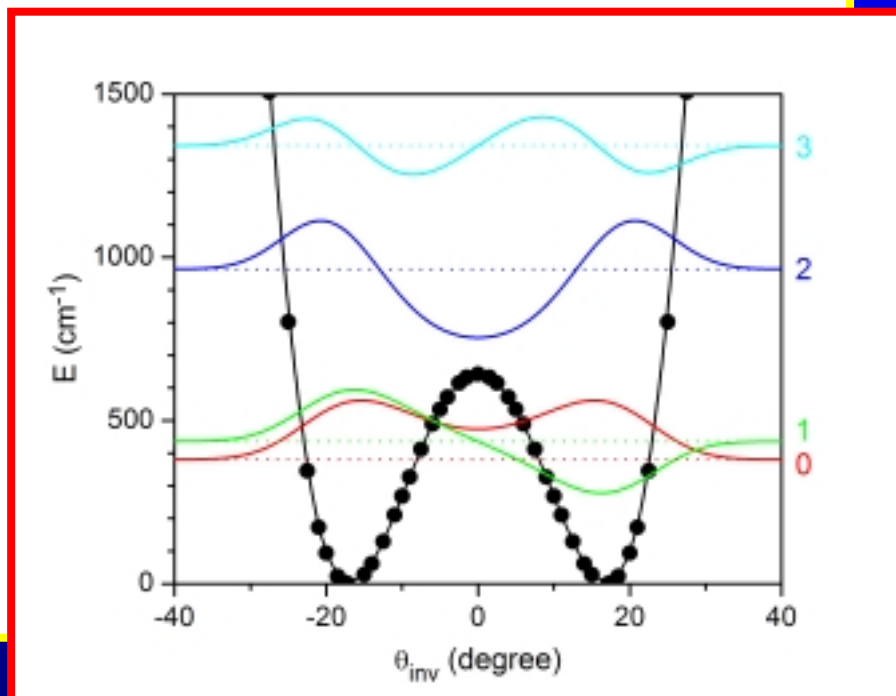
Isotope Dependent Tunneling

	<i>Bowman's</i>	<i>Halonen's</i>	<i>Expt</i>
Ground state			
H_3O^+	46	56.02	55.346 (6) ^a
H_2DO^+	33	41.14	41.4 (26)
HD_2O^+	22	27.49	27.032 (7)
D_3O^+	12	15.79	15.355504 (4) ^c
V_0	690	650	??
Excited State			
H_3O^+	32	39.08	38.747 (6) ^b
H_2DO^+	21	26.74	26.3 (26)
HD_2O^+	13	18.02	17.761 (5)
D_3O^+	7	10.23	9.942 (6) ^d

^a Liu & Oka, PRL 1985; ^b Tang & Oka, JMS 1999; ^c Araki & Saito, JCP 1998; ^d Petek et al. JCP 1989.
All units in cm^{-1} .

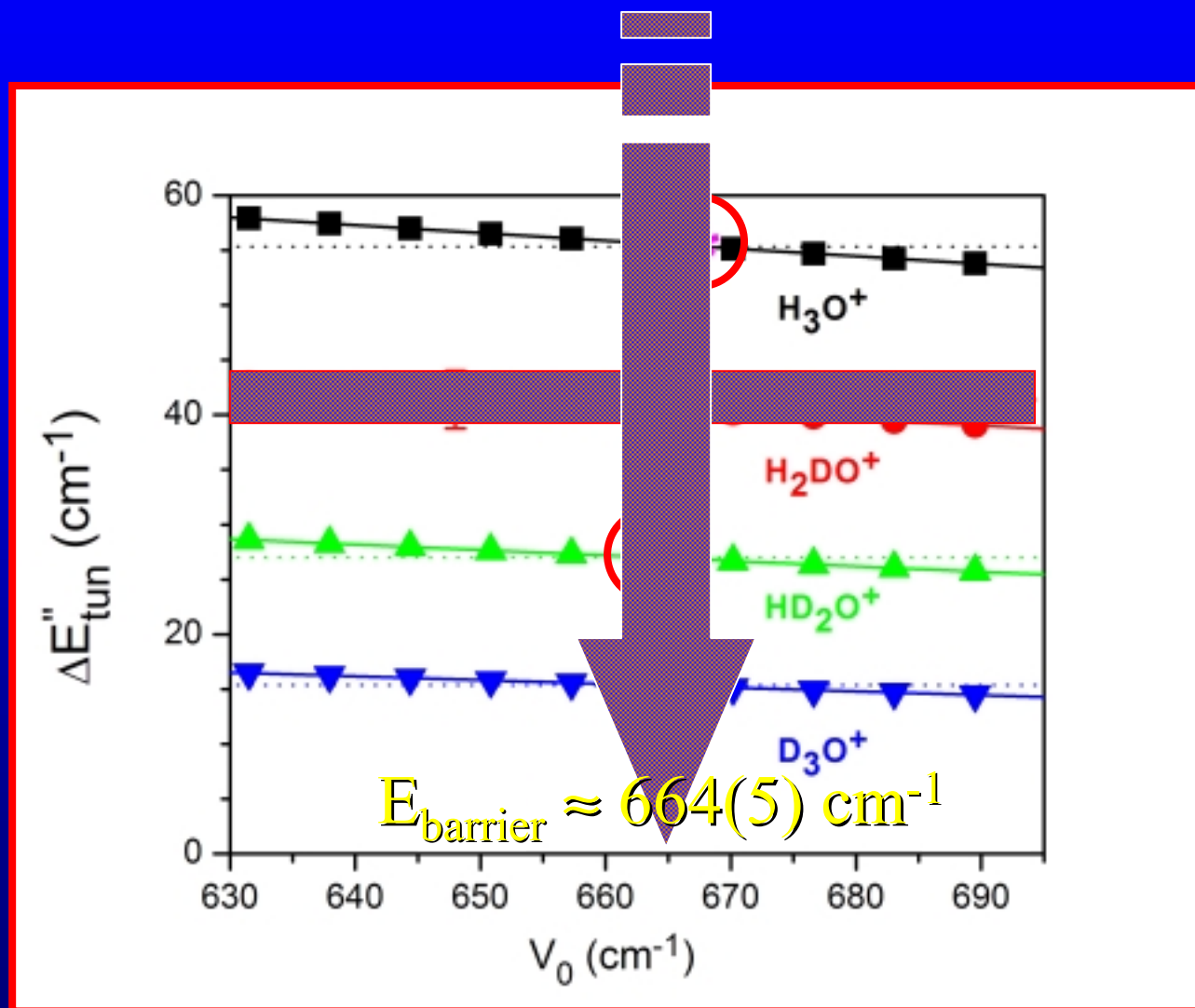
Rush-Wiberg (HBJ) Approach

$$\left[\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + \left[2\mu(q) / \hbar^2 \right] [E - V(q)] \right] \psi(q) = 0$$



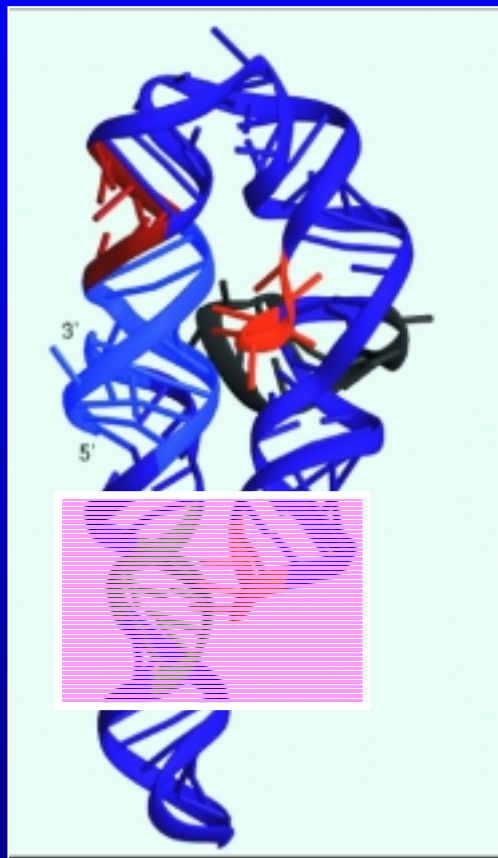
- Geometry optimization and frequency calculations at CCSD(T)/AVTZ along the tunneling path
- CBS energies extrapolated from CCSD(T), AVnZ (n=D,T,Q)
- ZPE corrections for all other vibrational modes
- Reduced mass $\mu(q)$ from the vibration-rotation G-matrix coupling (Rush and Wiberg, Hougen-Bunker-Johns)
- 1D tunneling eigenvalues/eigenfunctions solved on vertically scaled CCSD(T) PES to extract barrier height

Tunneling Barrier Height



- $E_{\text{barrier}} \approx 664 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ estimate for tunneling in H_3O^+ isotopomers
- In quite good agreement with *ab initio* calculations of Halonen et al

II) ...to Complex (RNA folding)

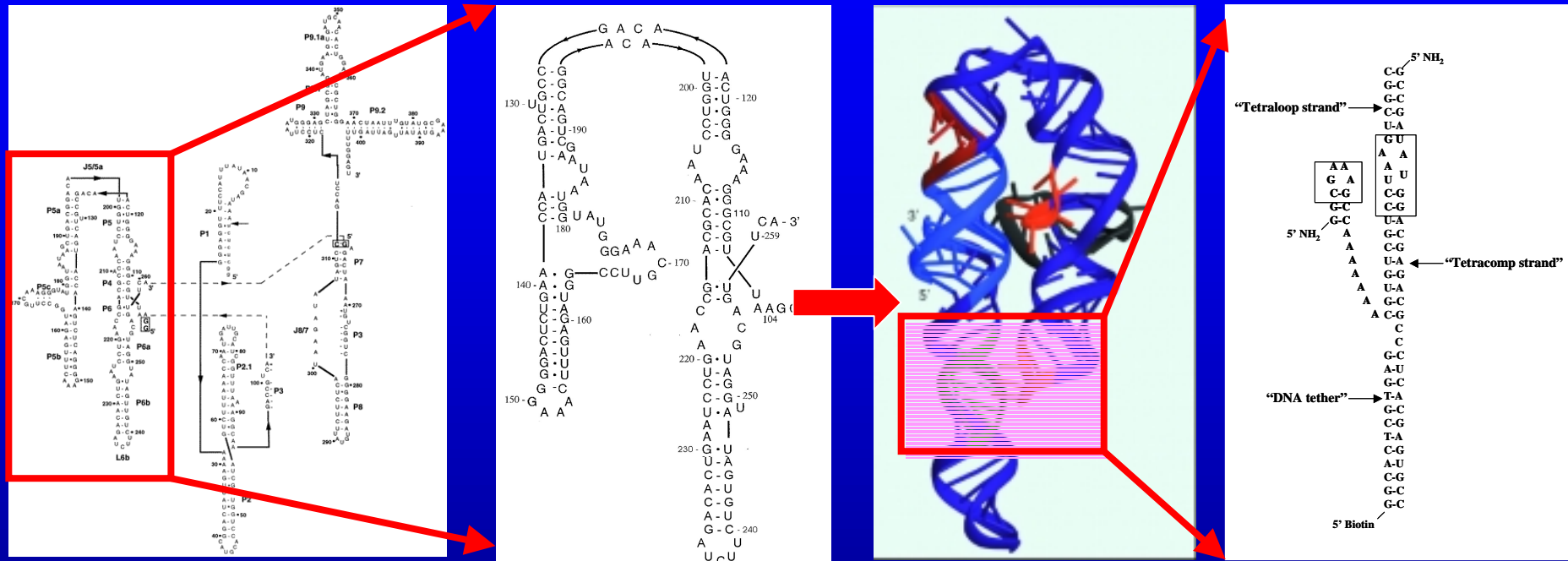


- Conformational change *crucial* to biological activity (the earliest enzymes (“ribozymes”) made from self folding RNA)
- Hierarchical RNA folding stabilized by specific *H-bonding tertiary interactions* (e.g. tetraloop-receptor, A-rich bulge, etc)
- Structural information alone is not enough!

Structure + *Dynamics* \Rightarrow Function

Tertiary Interactions

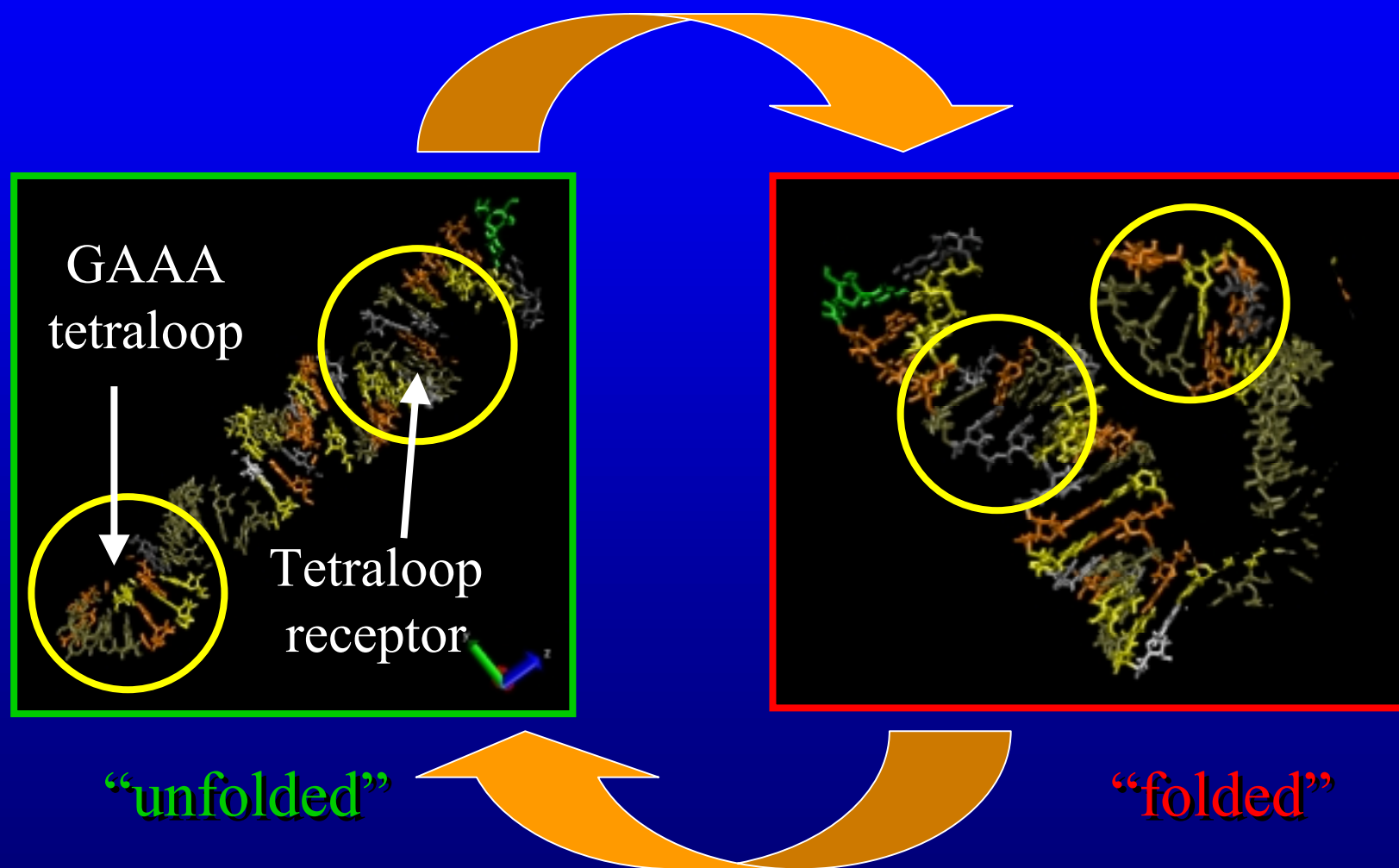
(P4-P6 Domain: *Tetrahymena* Group I Ribozyme)



Cate, J.H, et al.
Science, 1996

- Ubiquitous RNA “tetraloop- receptor” binding interaction
- Driven by $[Mg^{++}]$ (shielding of repulsive phosphate backbone interactions)
- Responsible for folding complete ribozyme into enzymatically active form

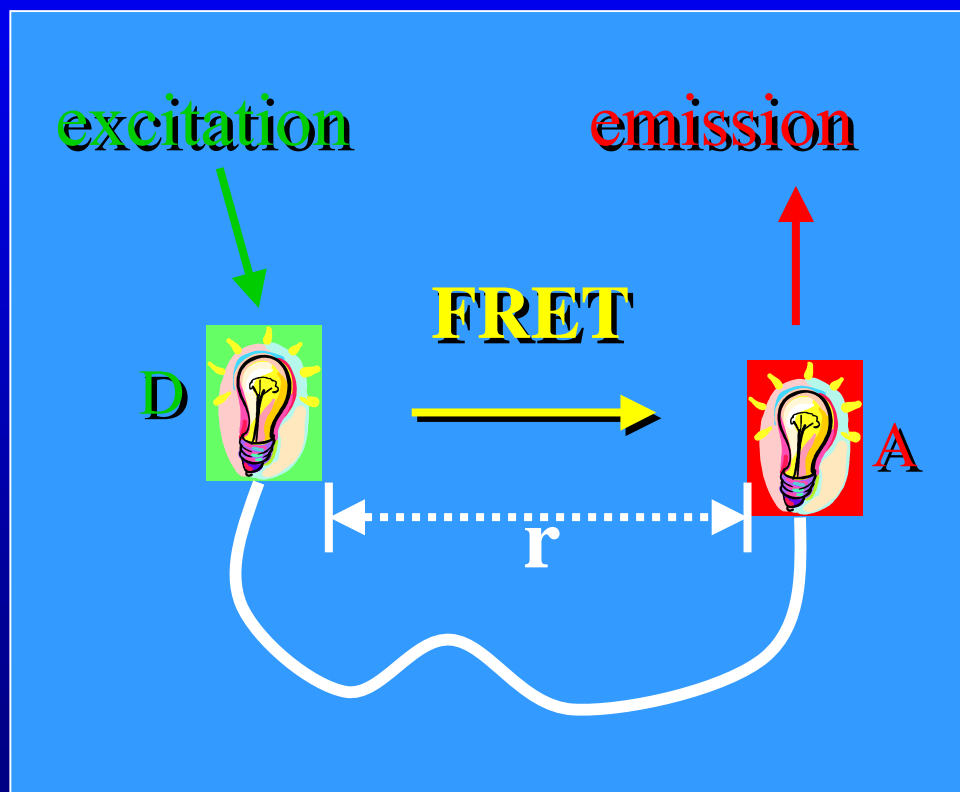
Single RNA Constructs





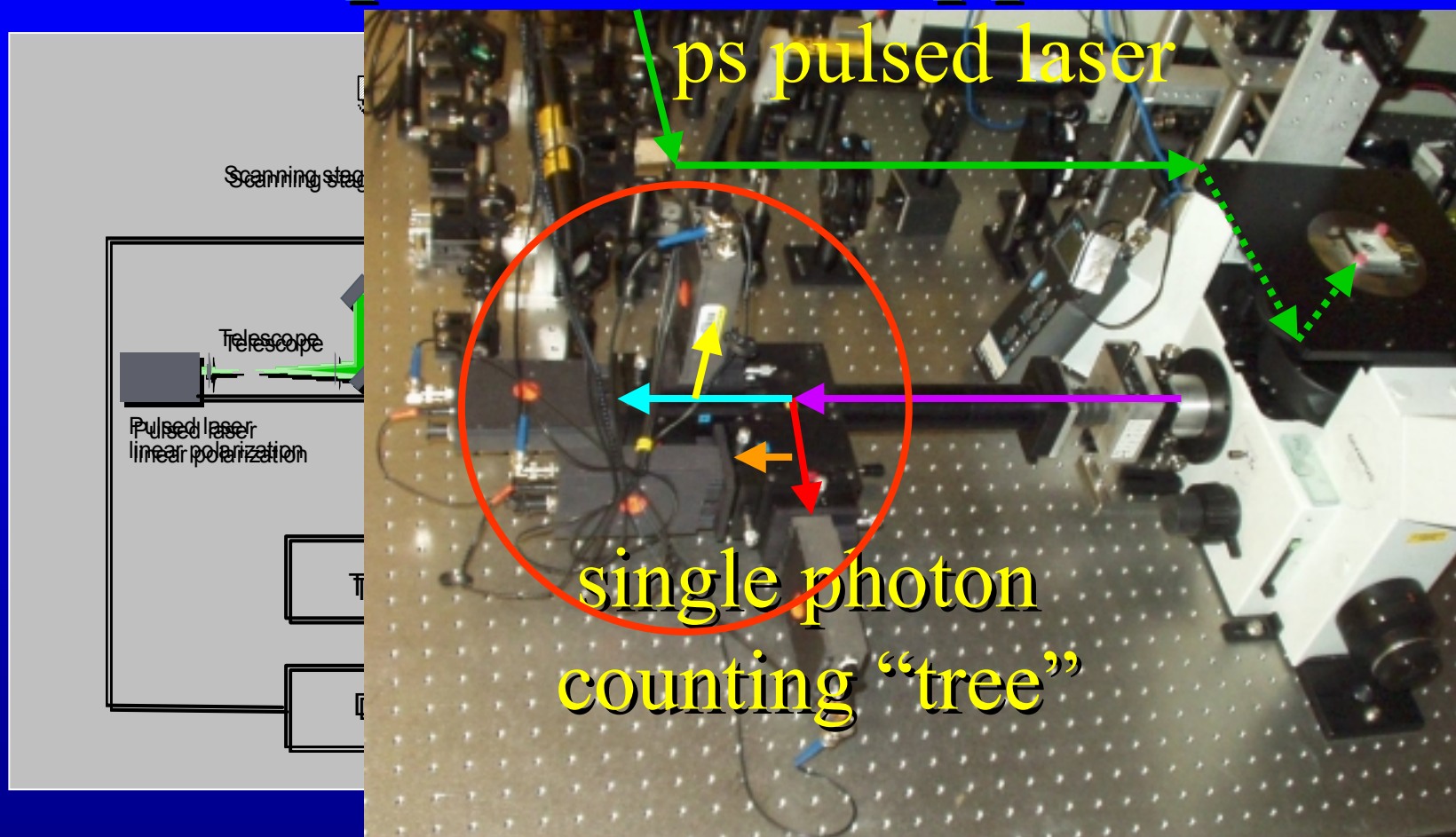
Watching Single RNA Molecules Fold?

(*F*luorescence *R*esonance *E*nergy *T*ransfer)



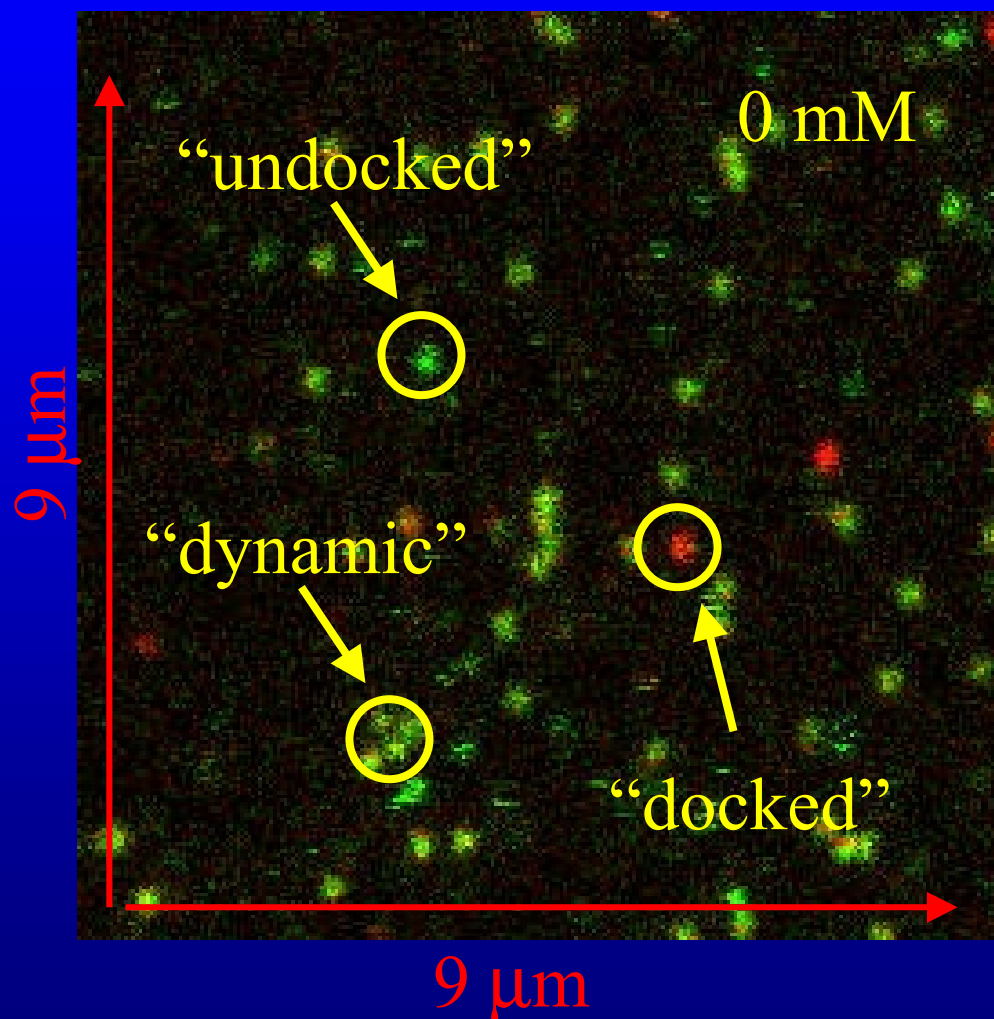
- Excitation transfer from “donor” (I_D) to “acceptor” (I_A) which fluoresces at a *different* color
- Folding detected by *changes* in FRET efficiency $\approx I_A / (I_D + I_A) \propto 1 / [1 + (r/r_0)^6]$
- “Molecular ruler” on the 10 Å - 100 Å length scale

Experimental Apparatus



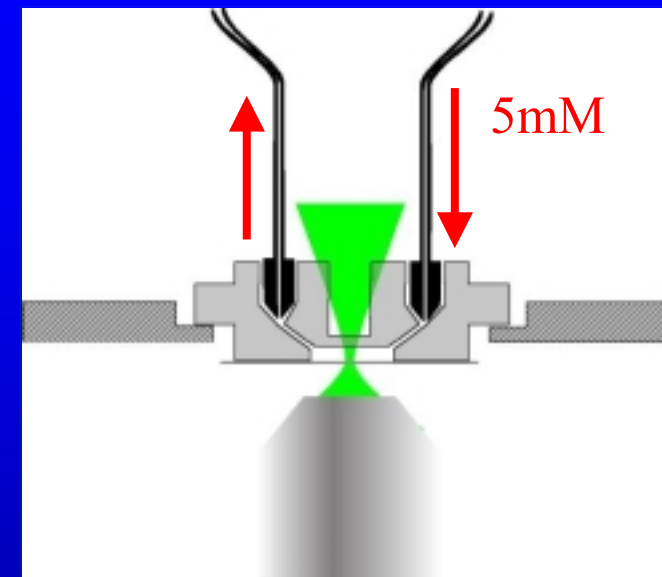
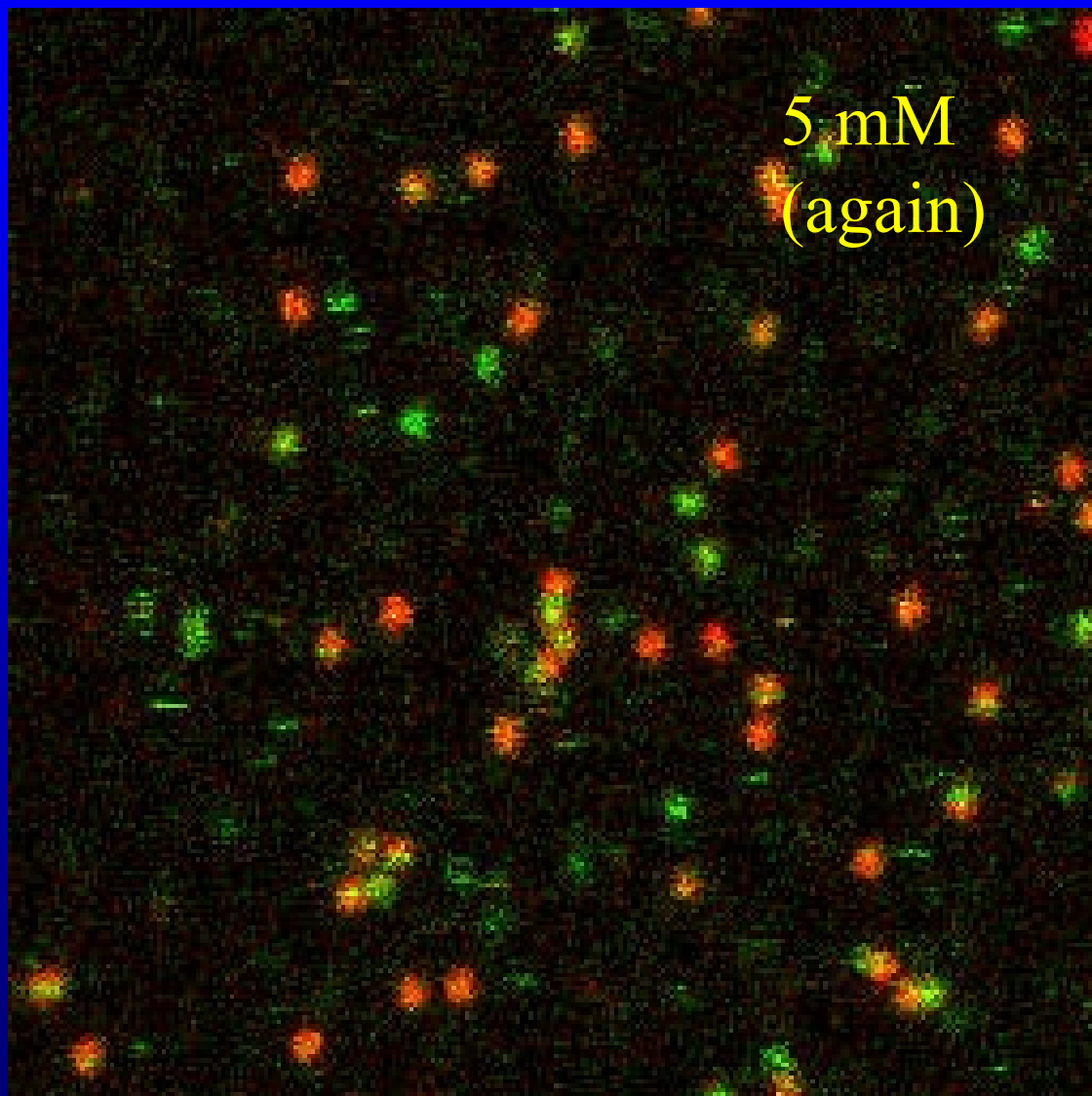
- Time stamped detection (color, polarization, macro and microtime)
- Explicit FRET correction for crosstalk, direct excitation, and background
- Fluorescence/folding/orientation dynamics on time scales from $< 10^{-9}$ sec to $> 10^3$ sec!

Single RNA FRET Imaging



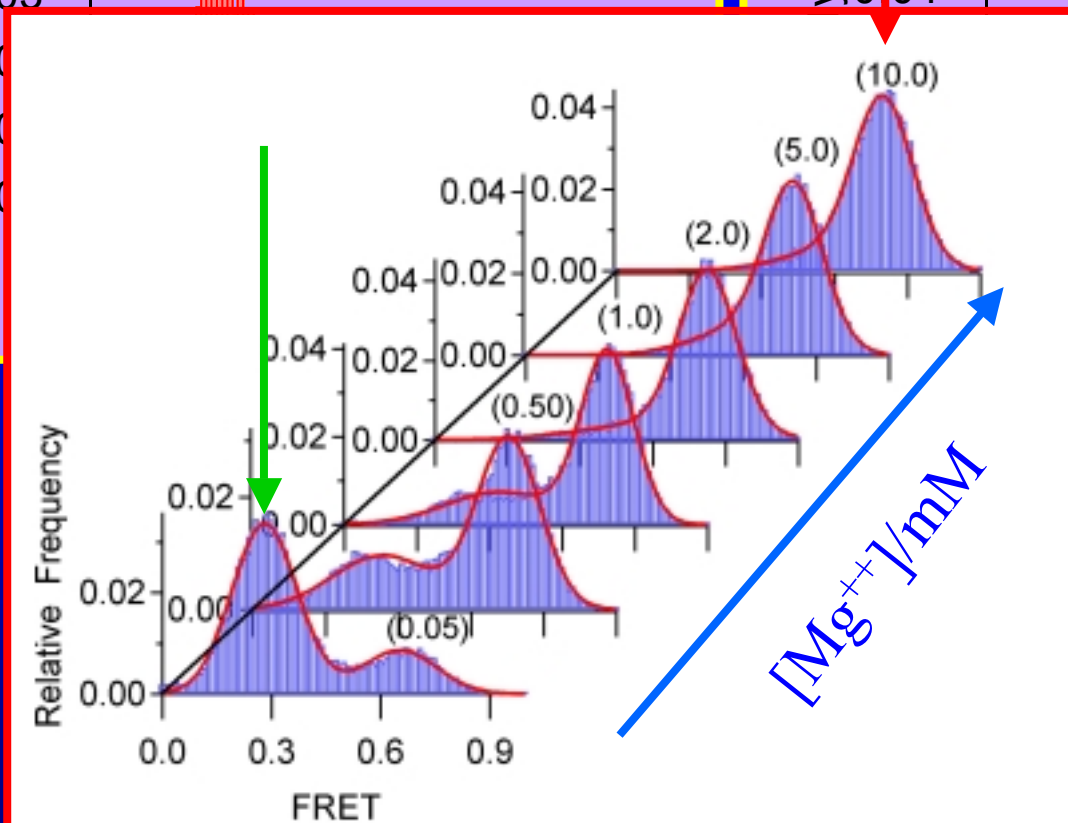
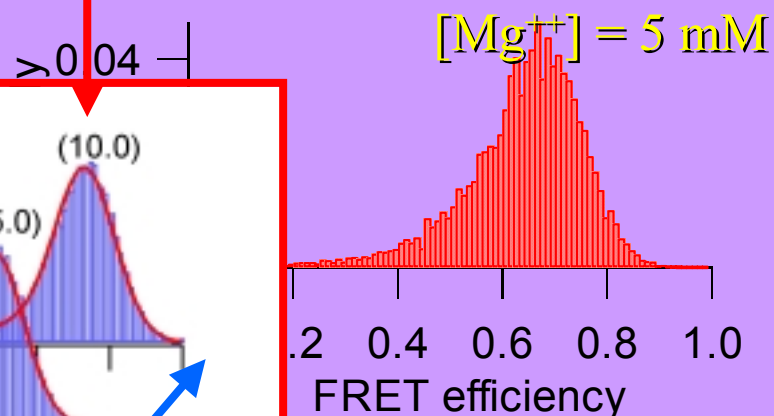
- FRET identification of docked/undocked constructs
- Heterogeneity at the single molecule level (“average” behavior not the whole story!)

Effects of $[Mg^{++}]$



- Reversible folding for majority of single RNA constructs (65%)
- Heterogeneous presence of “nondockers” (34%) and “superdockers” (1%) with no folding dynamics on experimental time scale

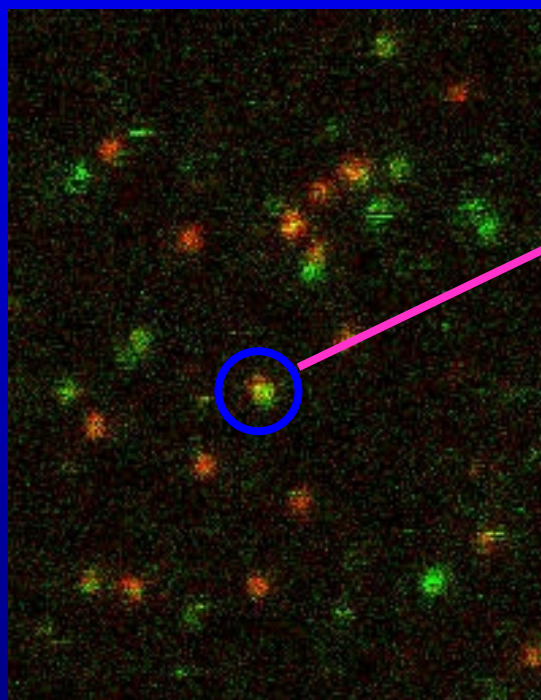
FRET Titrations



- Smooth statistical evolution from \approx undocked to \approx docked structures with Mg^{++}

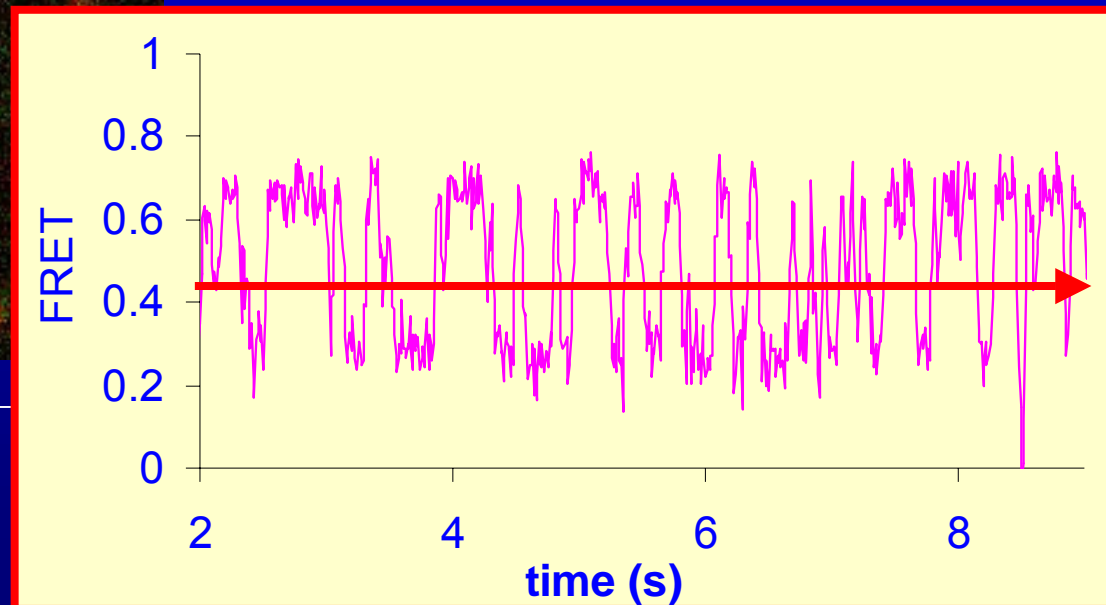
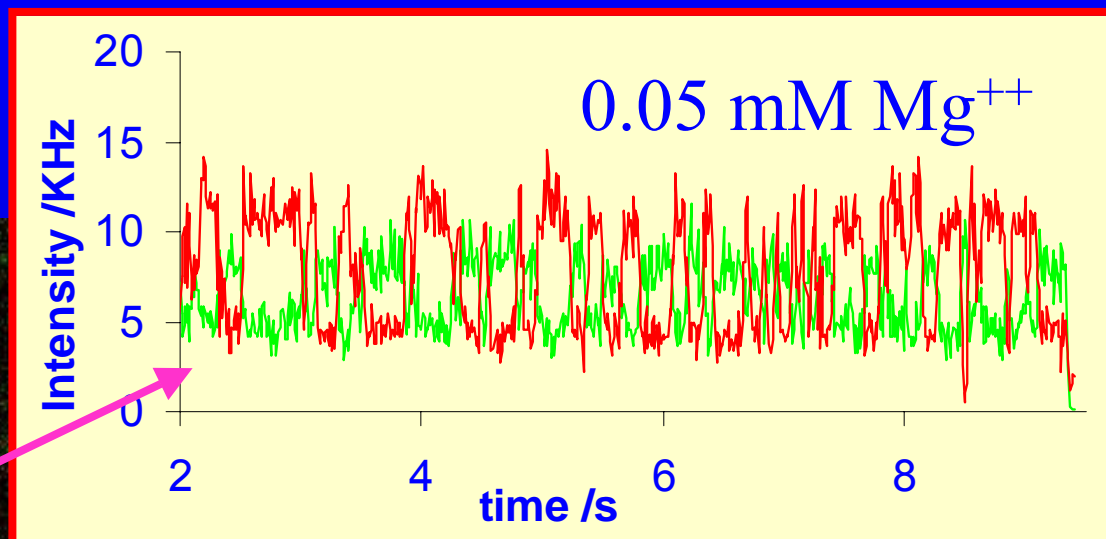
Real Time Docking/Undocking

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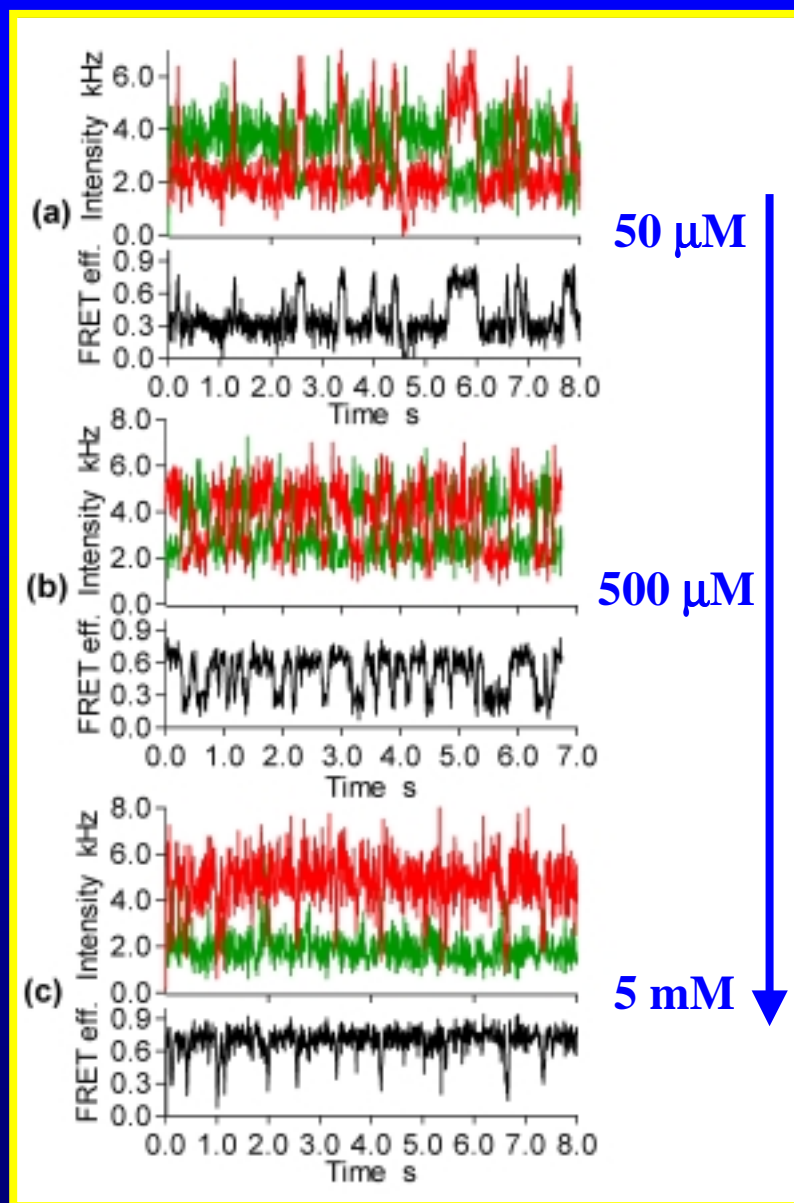


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Mg⁺⁺ Dependence

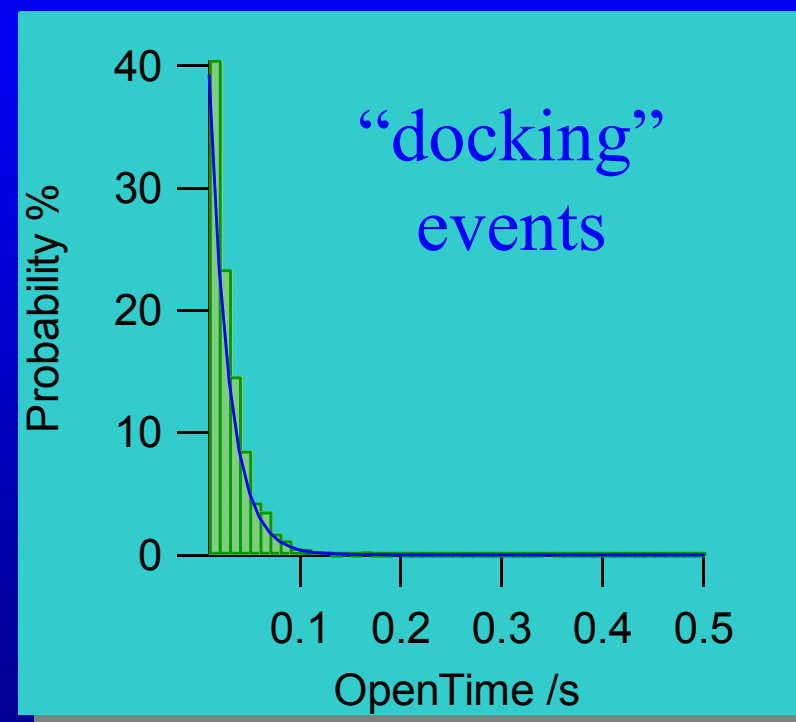
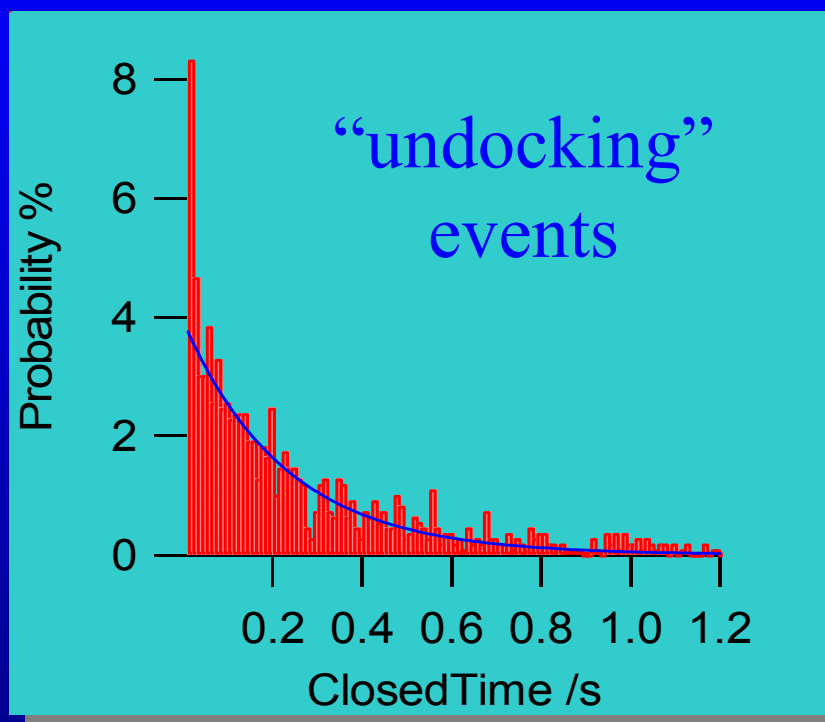


- Rapid increase in docked vs. undocked conformations with $[\text{Mg}^{++}]$...
- ...but dominated by *increase* of k_{dock} with $[\text{Mg}^{++}]$
- Docking kinetics *not* rate limited by entropic folding effects
- Mg^{++} mediated “pre-folding” of tetraloop receptor to achieve stable docking interaction

Single Molecule Kinetics...

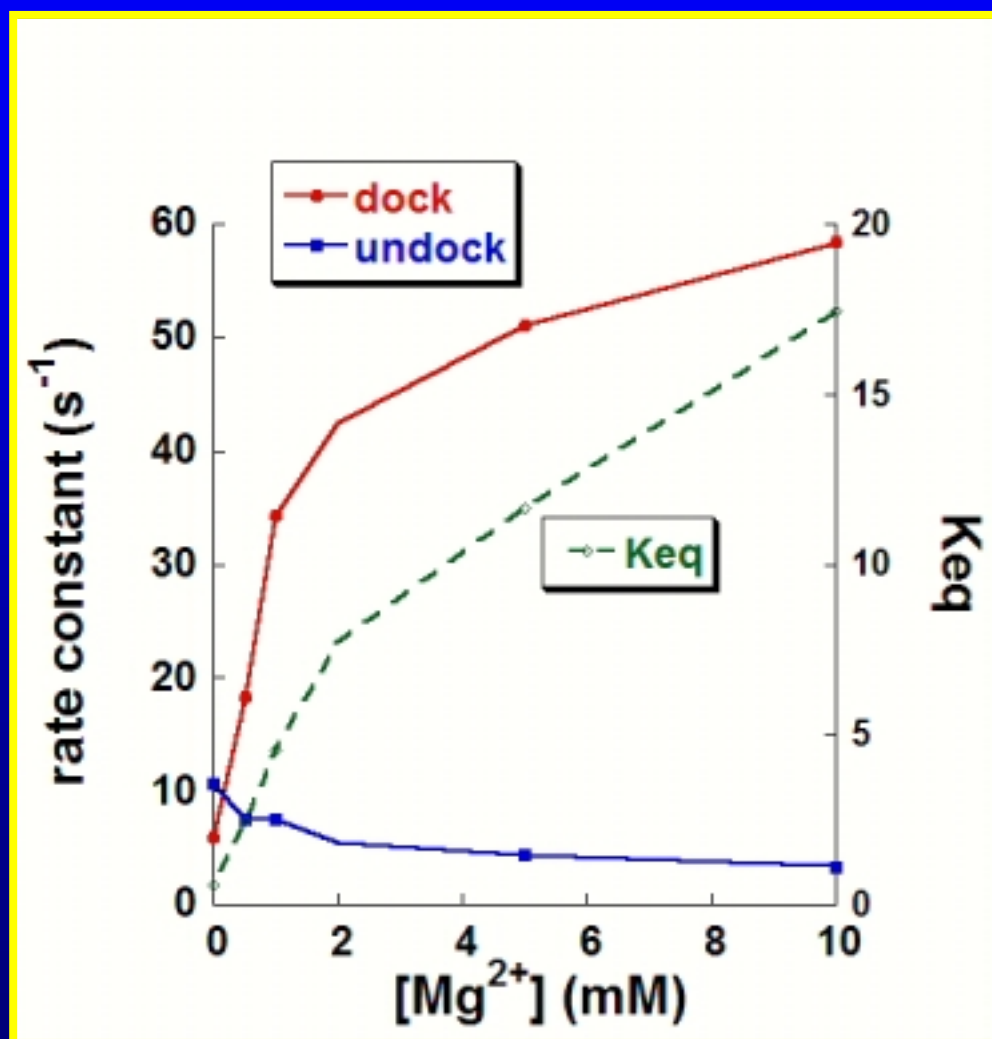
- “Concentration” ill defined – molecule A is either there or isn’t!
- Think in terms of *probability* of A if definitely present at $t=0$, i.e. $N(t) \approx [A(t)]/A_0 = \exp(-kt)$ from ensemble kinetics
- More useful concept “Survival probability”, $P(\tau)$
$$N(t) = 1 - \int_0^t d\tau P(\tau)$$
$$\Rightarrow P(\tau) = -dN(\tau)/dt \approx k \exp(-k\tau)$$
- $P(\tau)$ *exponentially distributed* in τ (for simple 2-state kinetic systems)

Sample Kinetic Histograms



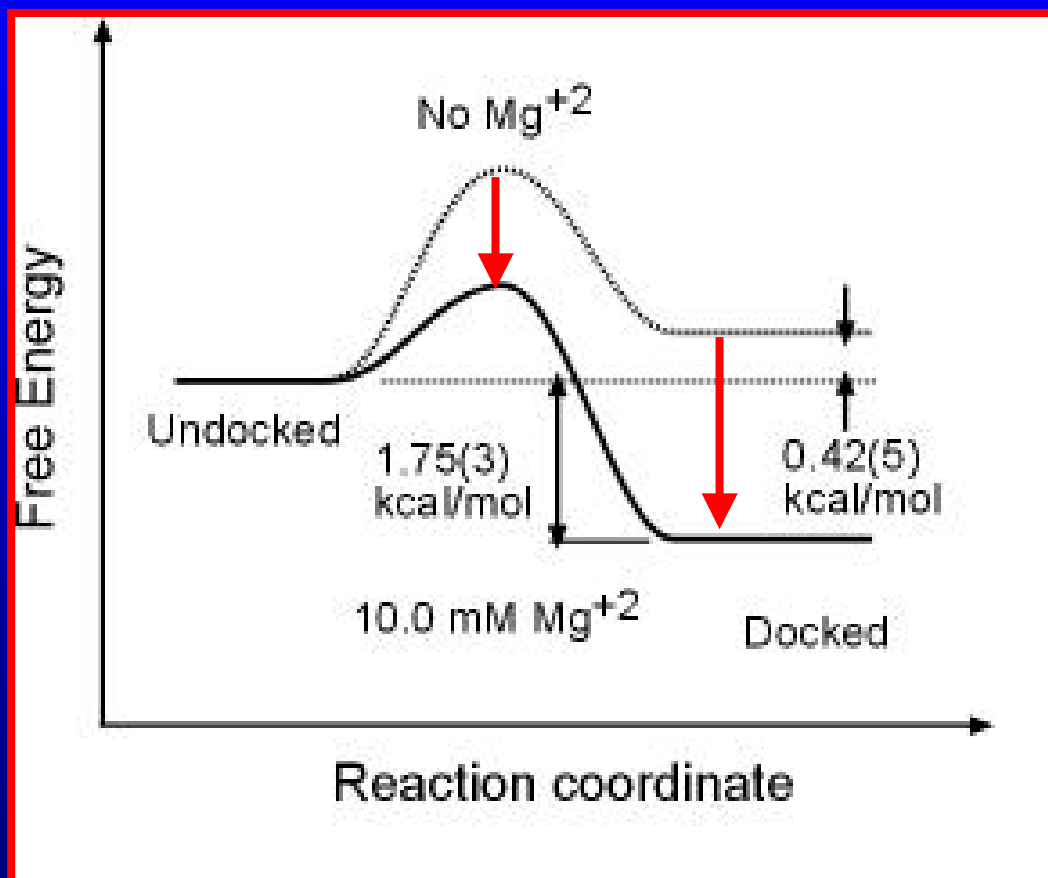
- Survival probability predicts exponential distribution of open(closed) event durations
- Rate constants from semi-log plots of histograms of open/closed time durations

Stern-Volmer Analysis



- k_{dock} , k_{undock} and $K_{\text{eq}} = k_{\text{dock}}/k_{\text{undock}}$ as function of $[\text{Mg}^{++}]$
- Rapid increase in K_{eq} with $[\text{Mg}^{++}]$ (as expected)...
- ...but dominated by *increase* of k_{dock} with $[\text{Mg}^{++}]$ (Walter et al)
- Docking kinetics *not* rate limited by entropic effects

Free Energy Landscape (Dependence on Mg^{++})



- ΔG 's from k_{docked} , k_{undocked} at low and high Mg^{++}
- Decrease in k_{undock} with Mg^{++} implies ΔG_{docked} drops *faster* than forward activation barrier ΔG^\ddagger with Mg^{++}

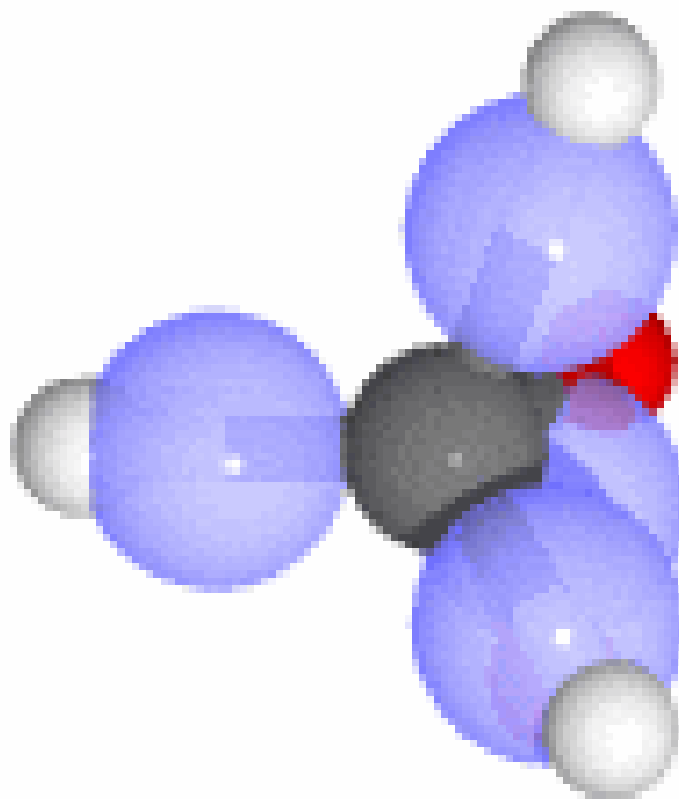
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Large Amplitude Quantum Effects (CH_5^+)



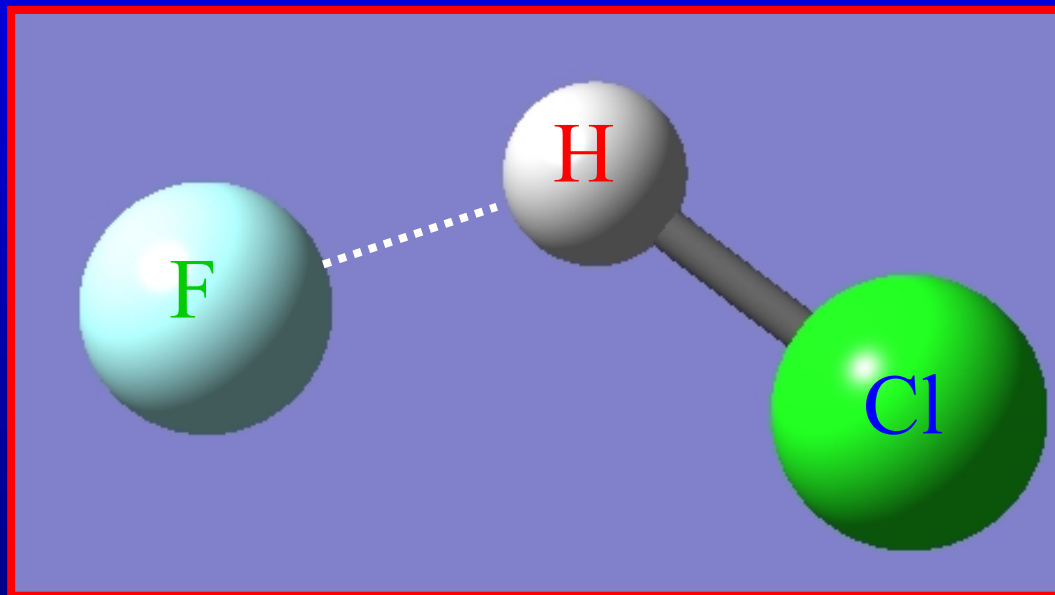
Summary (I)

- First high resolution IR spectra of H_2DO^+
- Boltzmann tunneling analysis for ground and ν_3 excited states ($41.4 \pm 2.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $26.3 \pm 2.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Good agreement with high level *ab initio*

Summary (II)

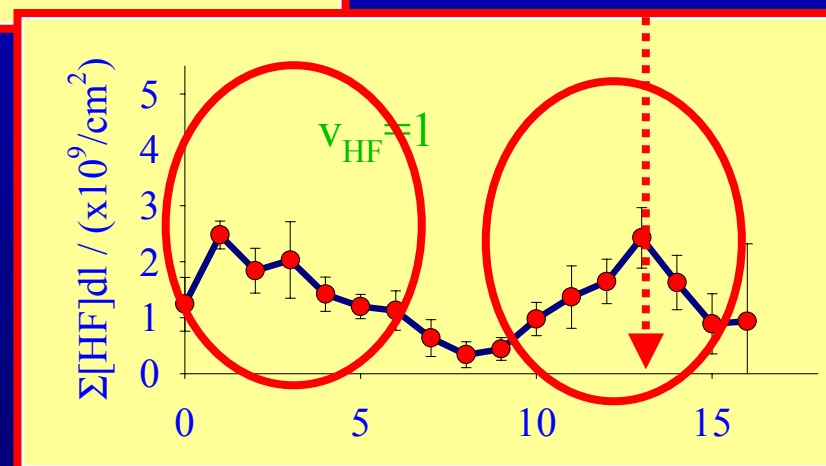
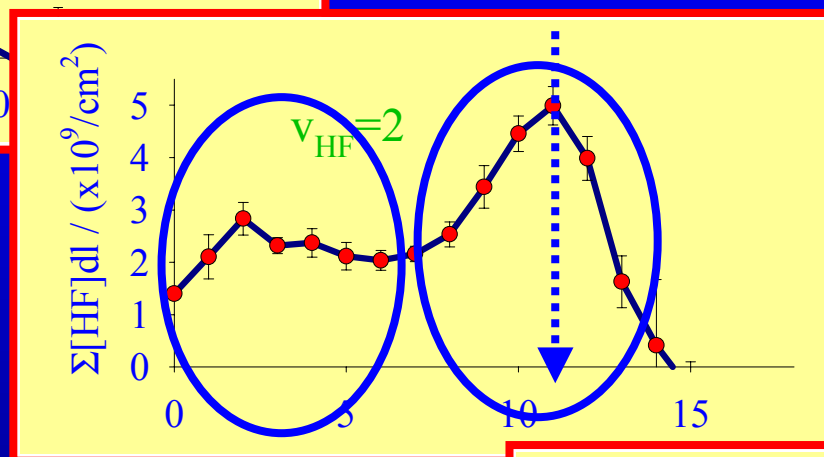
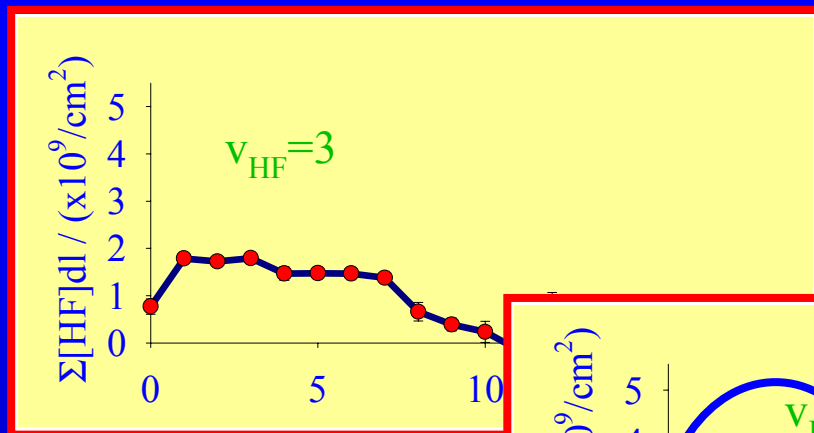
- Kinetic studies of isolated tertiary interactions at the single RNA level by spatial- and time-resolved FRET
- Clear RNA subpopulation heterogeneity in the single molecule dynamics
- Free energies for docking in absence ($\Delta G = 0.42$ kcal/mol) and presence ($\Delta G = -1.75$ kcal/mol) of saturating Mg^{++}

Molecular Interactions in Reaction Dynamics



- Classic “H + LH” system (Polanyi et al)
- Non-Arrhenius kinetic behavior (Houston et al)
- Smaller N=3 permits explicit PES grid sampling in full 3D (MCSCF/MRCI+Q, spin orbit, derivative coupling)...
- ...and extrapolation to complete basis set limit

What Does Experiment Say?

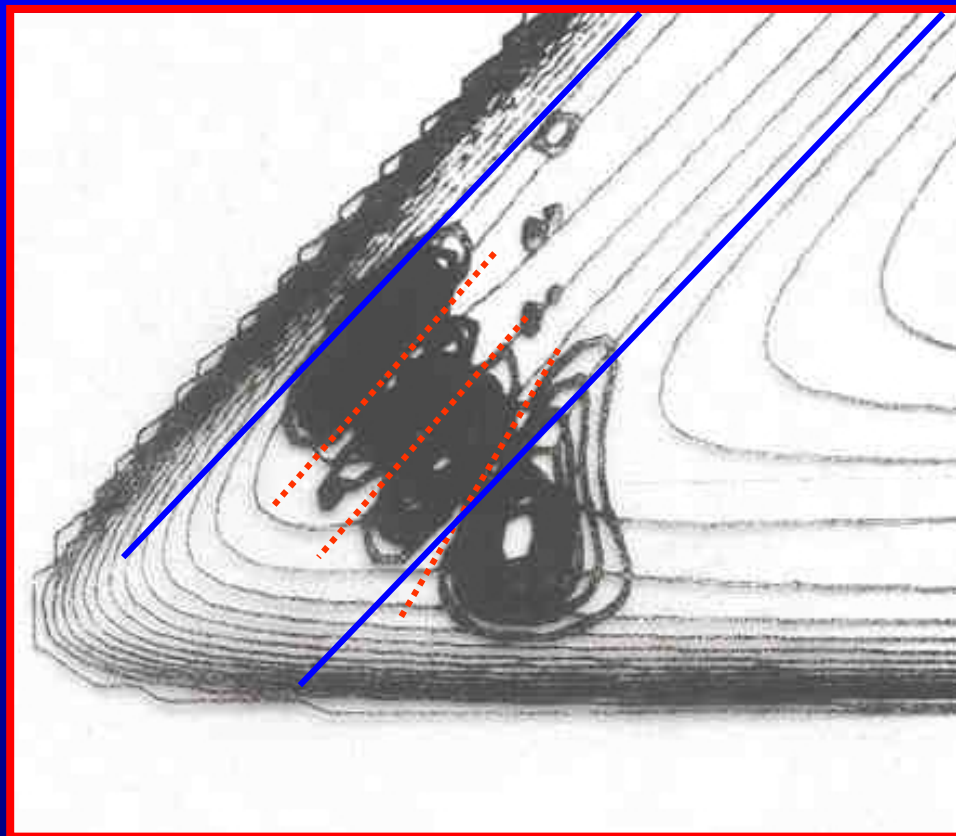


- *Rotationally bimodal* HF(v) distributions quite uncharacteristic of *direct* reaction dynamics
- Strong rotational peaking in HF(v , high J) states corresponding to HF($v+1, J \approx 0$) states in transition region

Transition State Resonances

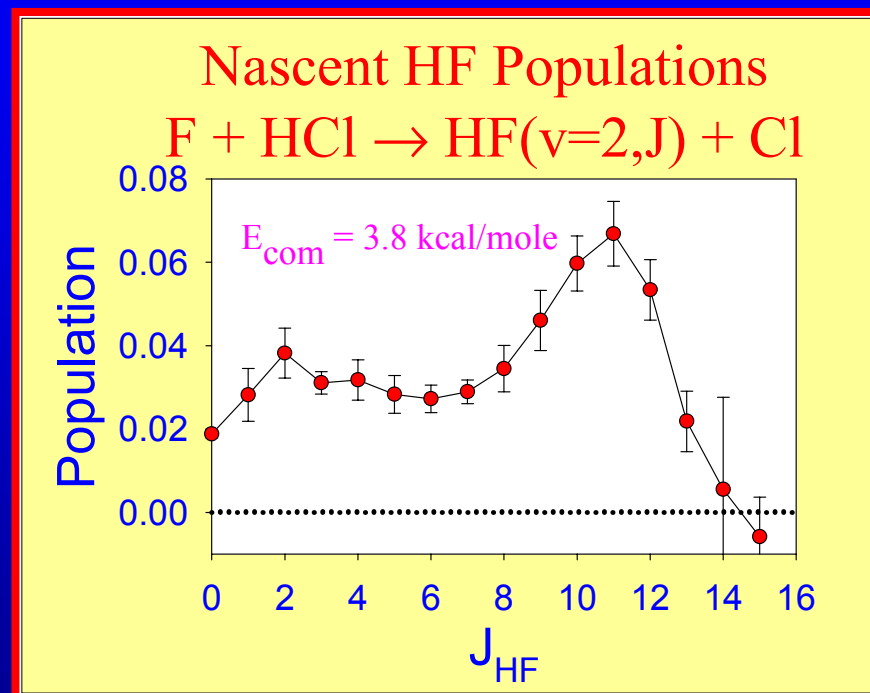
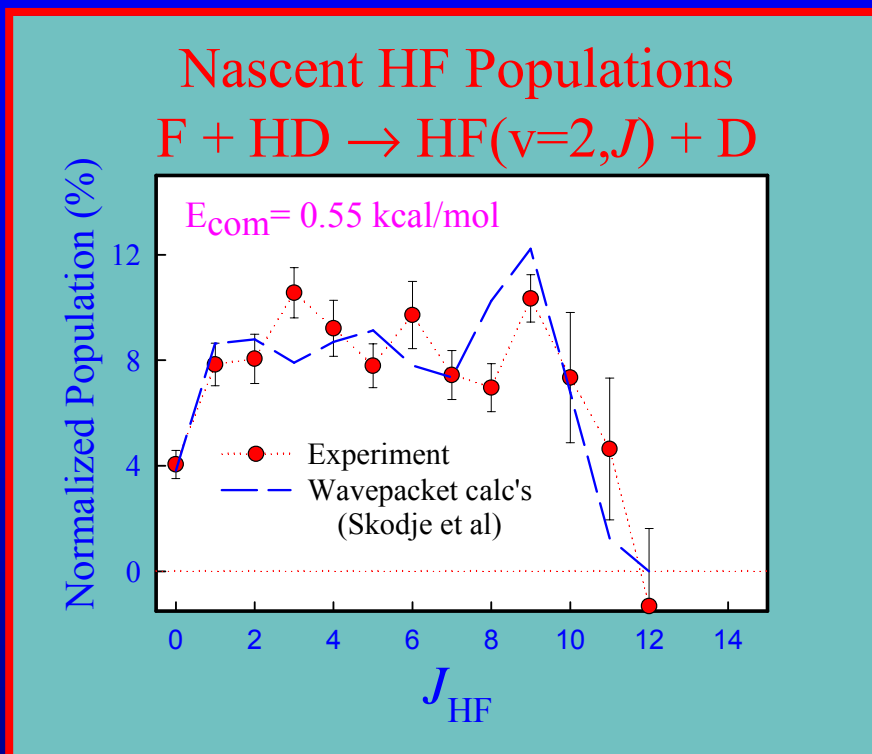


(in F--H--D)



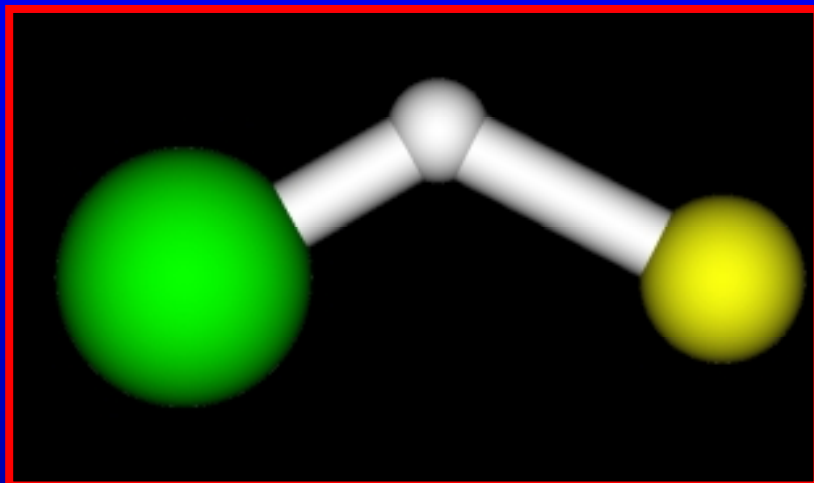
- Quasibound resonance wave functions (high “skew angle” due to H-L-H dynamics)
- “Quantum chattering” of H between D and F atoms (Liu, Skodje et al)
- Resonance “signature” predicted in HF($v_{\text{HF}}=2, J$) rotational quantum state distributions

Resonance “Signature” in Nascent Product States



- Near quantitative agreement for F+HD with predictions from exact QM dynamics calculations on state-of-the-art potential surface (Stark-Werner)
- Similar contributions from transition state resonance dynamics in F+HCl?

F + HCl Transition State



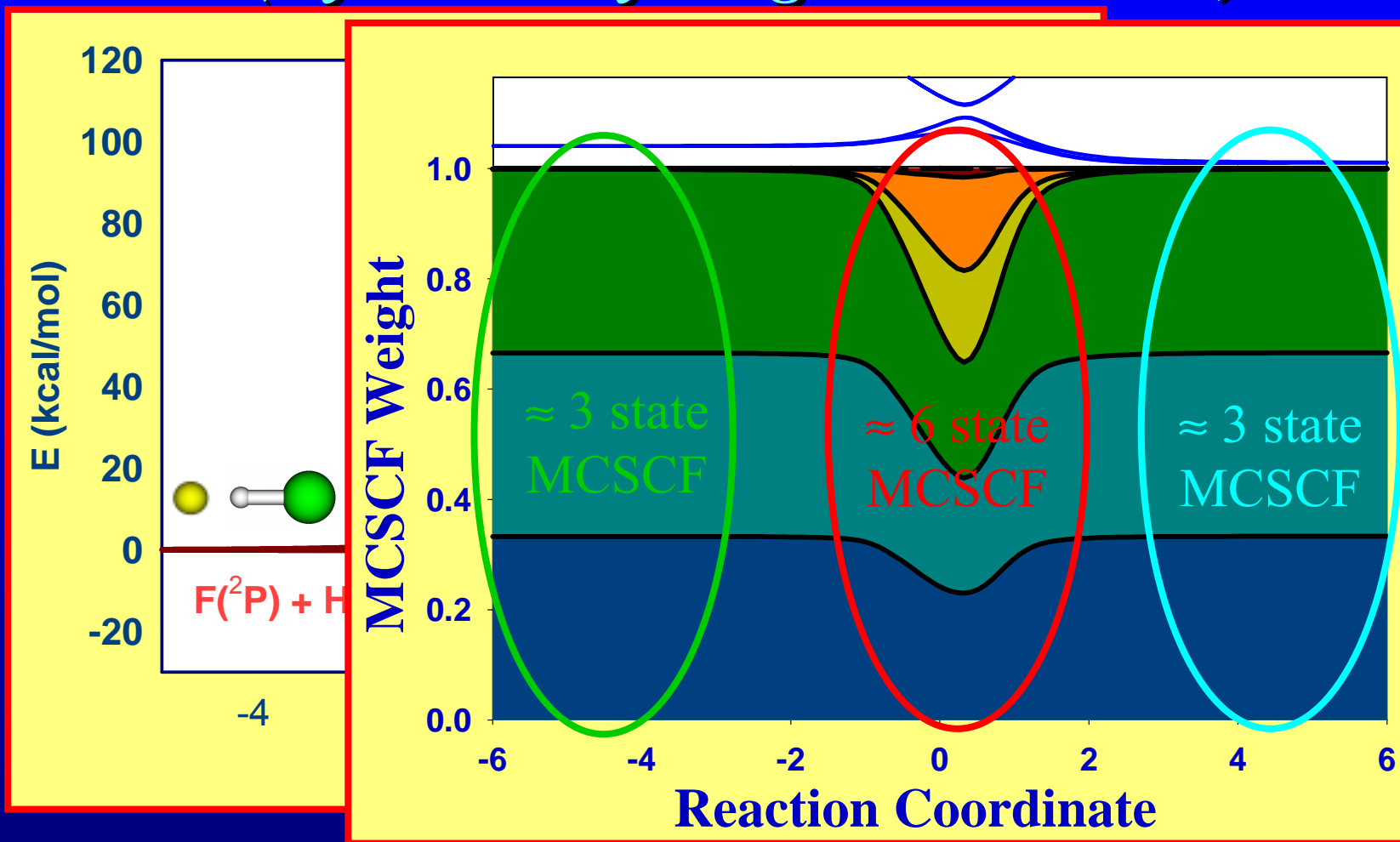
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PUMP4*	6-311G(3d2f,3p2d)	137.4	4.0
CCSD(T)	AVOZ	118.0	2.2
MRCI+Q	AVDZ	126.2	4.2
	AVTZ	126.4	4.2
	AVOZ	125.9	4.2
	CBS	125.7	4.2
	Scaled	123.5	3.8

*Sayos, et. al. PCCP 1 (6): 947-956 MAR 15 1999

- Similar exothermicity to F + HD (≈ 33 kcal/mol)
- Somewhat higher reaction barrier (≈ 4 kcal/mol)
- *Strongly bent* F-H-Cl transition state ($\theta \approx 123^\circ$)

F + HCl Reaction Path

(Dynamically weighted MCSCF)



- Continuously weighted # of states in MCSCF \Rightarrow smooth reaction path and PES's (no spurious "root flipping")

Exothermicity Benchmarks

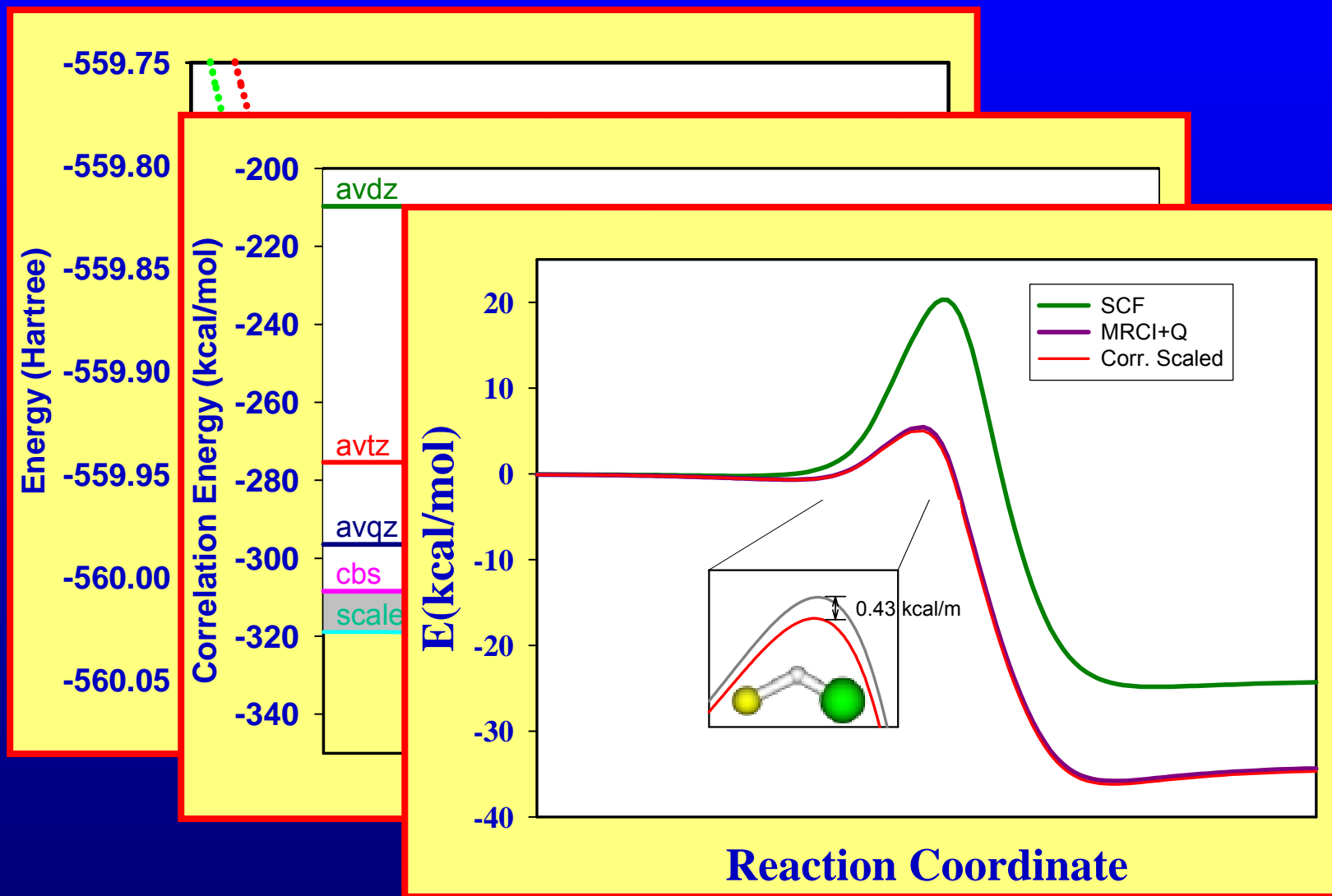
Method	avdz	avtz	avqz	cbs	Error
HF	-19.3	-18.83	-18.67	-18.57	-14.49
MCSCF	-23.1	-22.87	-22.75	-22.68	-10.38
MRCI	-30.41	-29.98	-29.91	-29.87	-3.19
MRCI+Q	-31.33	-31.04	-30.94	-30.88	-2.18
MP2	-37.17	-37.52	-37.78	-37.95	4.89
CCSD	-32.27	-32.5	-32.62	-32.69	-0.37
CCSD(T)	-32.41	-33.1	-33.29	-33.39	0.33

- CBS extrapolation (AVnZ, n=D,T,Q,5...) converges nicely, but still missing some (core) correlation energy (few kcal/mol)

Correlation Scaling

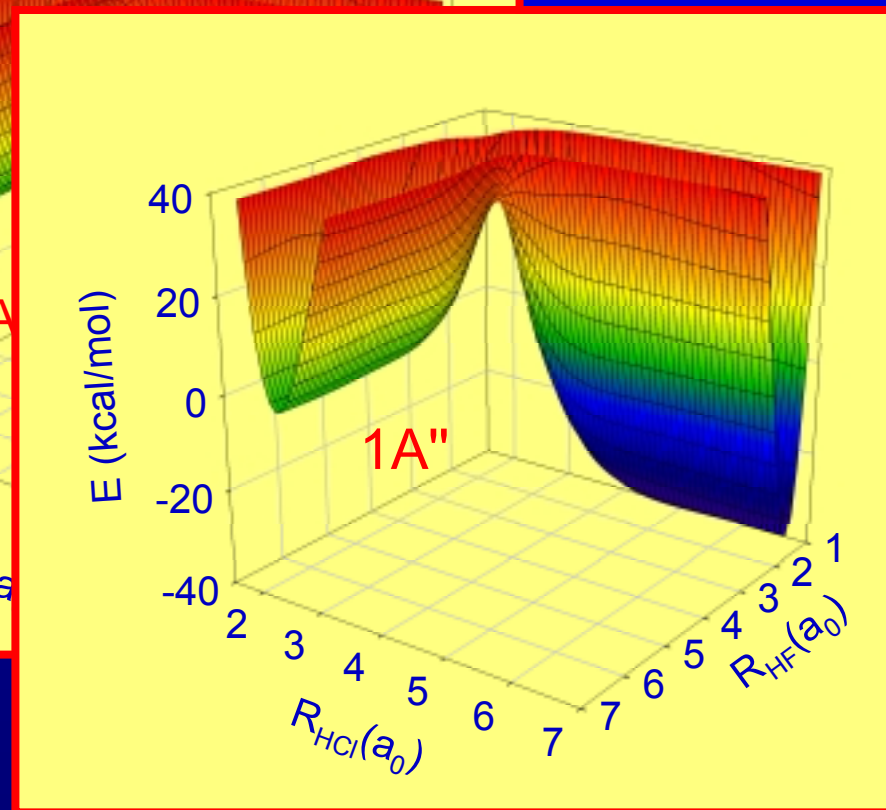
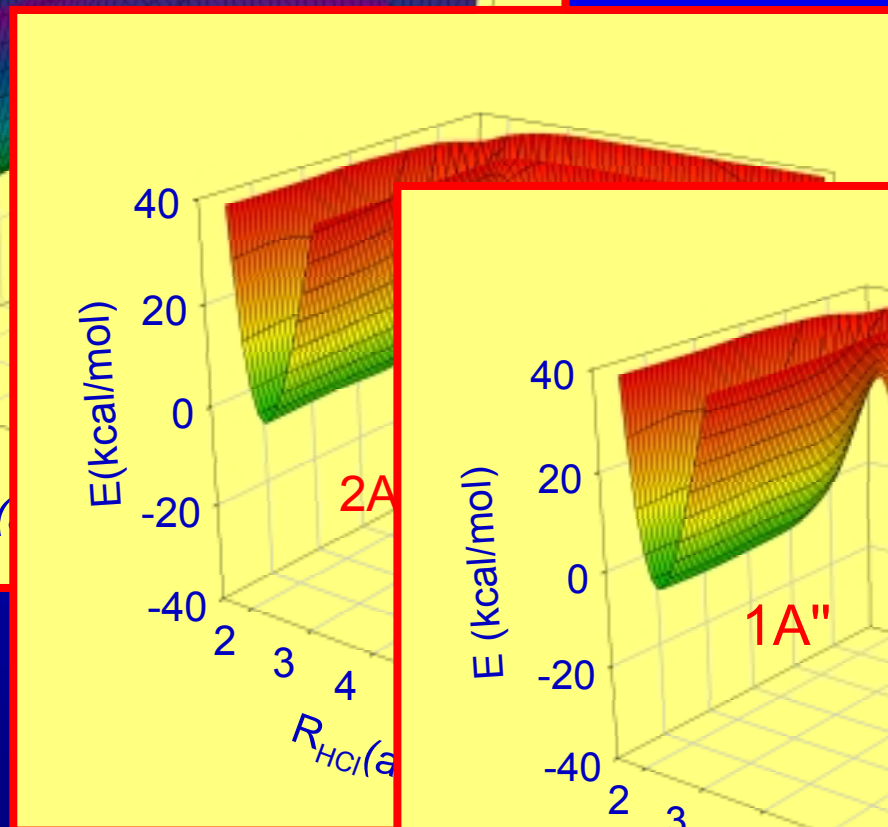
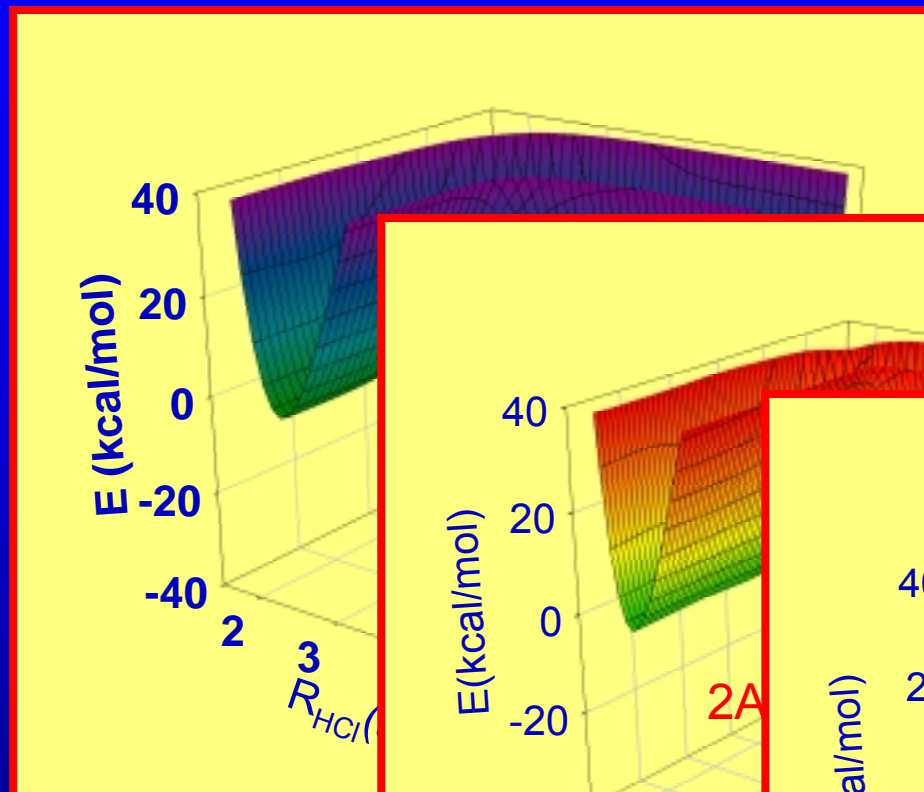
- $E_{\text{corr}} = E_{\text{MRCI}} - E_{\text{MCSCF}}$
- Define $E_{\text{true}} = E_{\text{MCSCF}} + \gamma E_{\text{corr}}$
- Empirically calibrate γ *once* based on experimental reaction exothermicity
- Use *same* γ for all points on PES (Peterson et al)

In Practice...

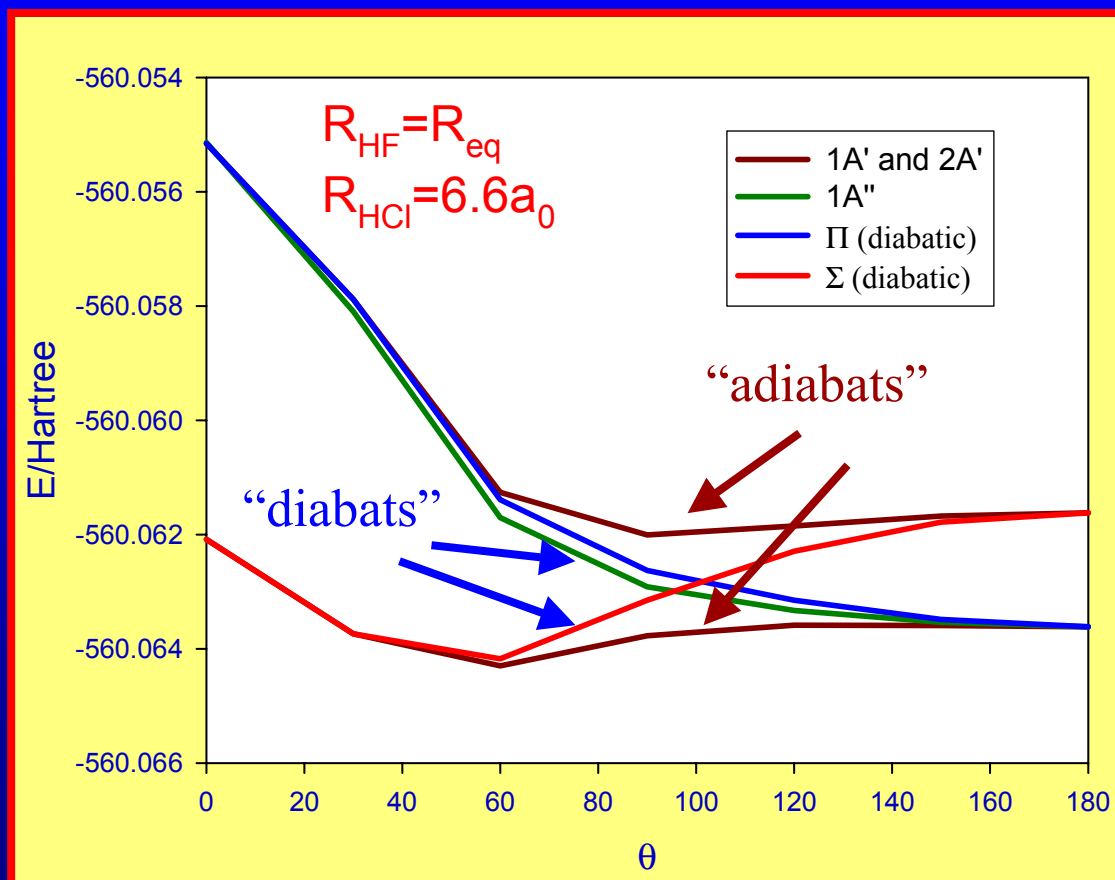


Adiabatic Potential Surface(s)

- Full 3D (2- and 3-body) fits
- rms \cong 0.05 kcal/mol
- 2D slices shown at $\theta_{\text{F-H-Cl}} = 123^\circ$

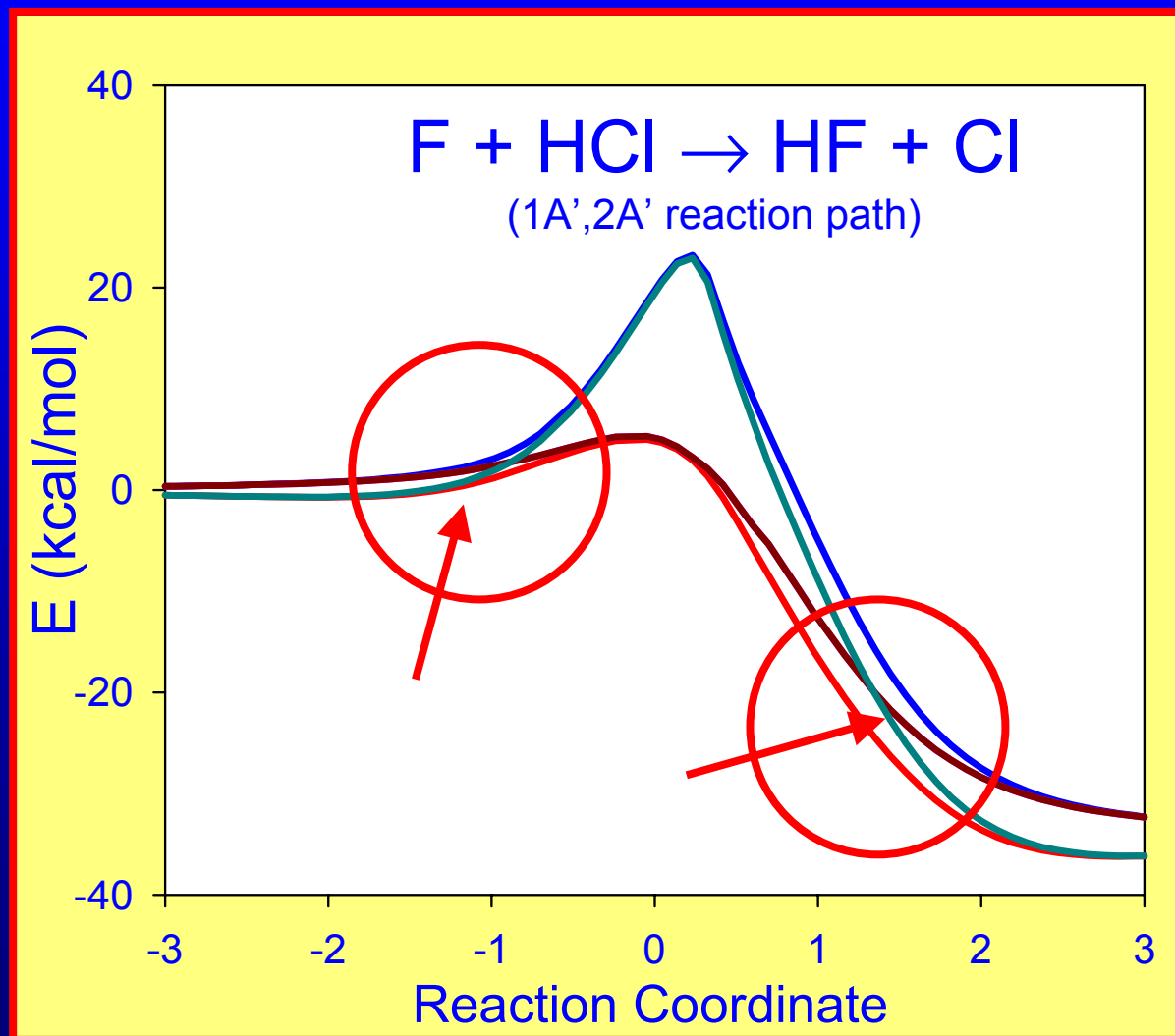


Obtaining *Diabatic* Surfaces



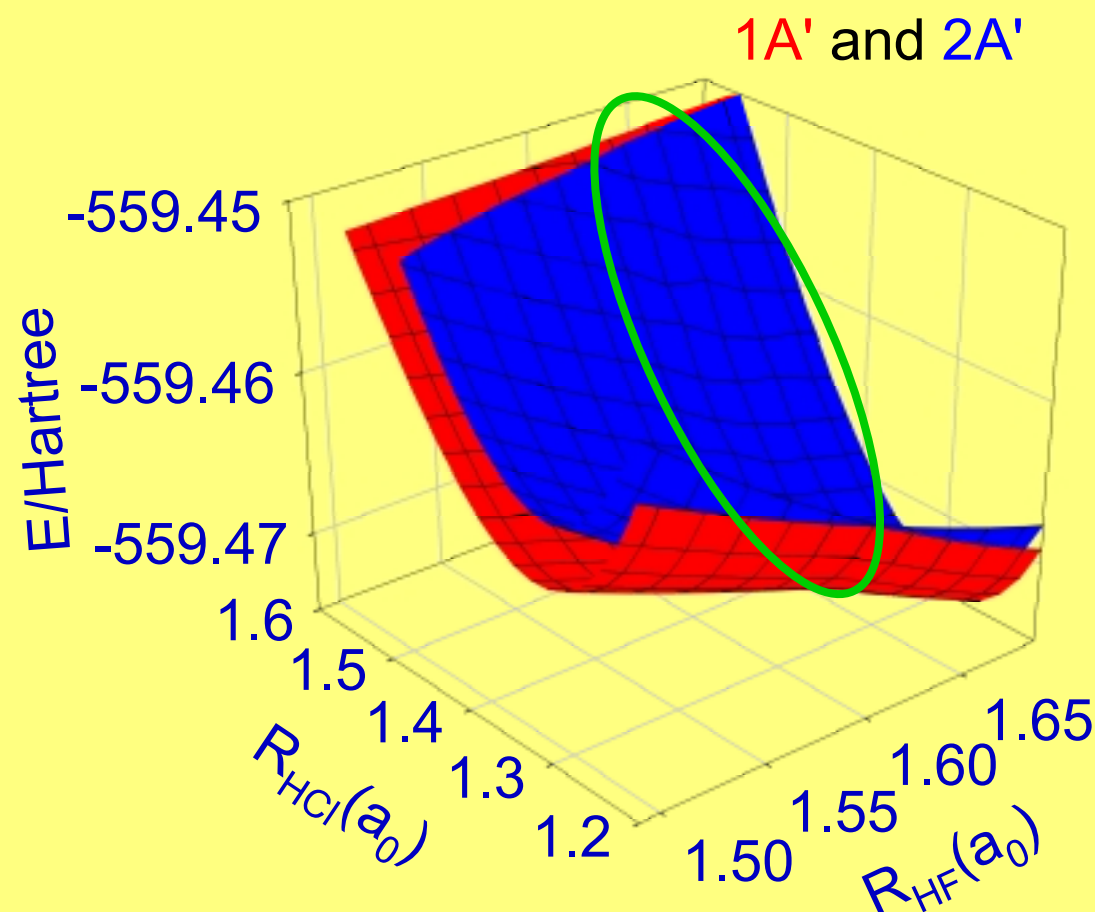
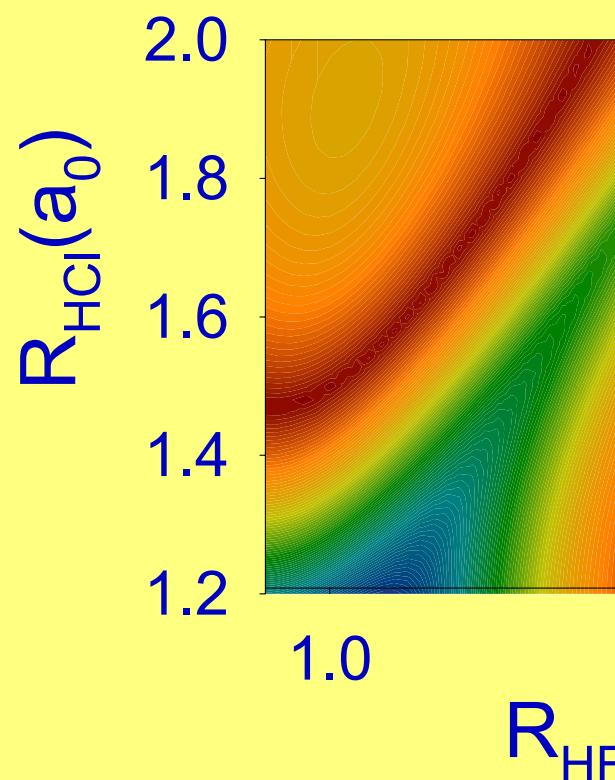
- 1A', 2A', 1A'' *diabatic* surfaces built up from “ θ scans” at constant r_{HCl} , r_{HF}
- Match *adiabatic* surfaces at $\theta = 0, 180$ (i.e. zero coupling)
- Analytical fits to full 3D diabatic surfaces and non-adiabatic couplings

Interesting Potential Landscapes?



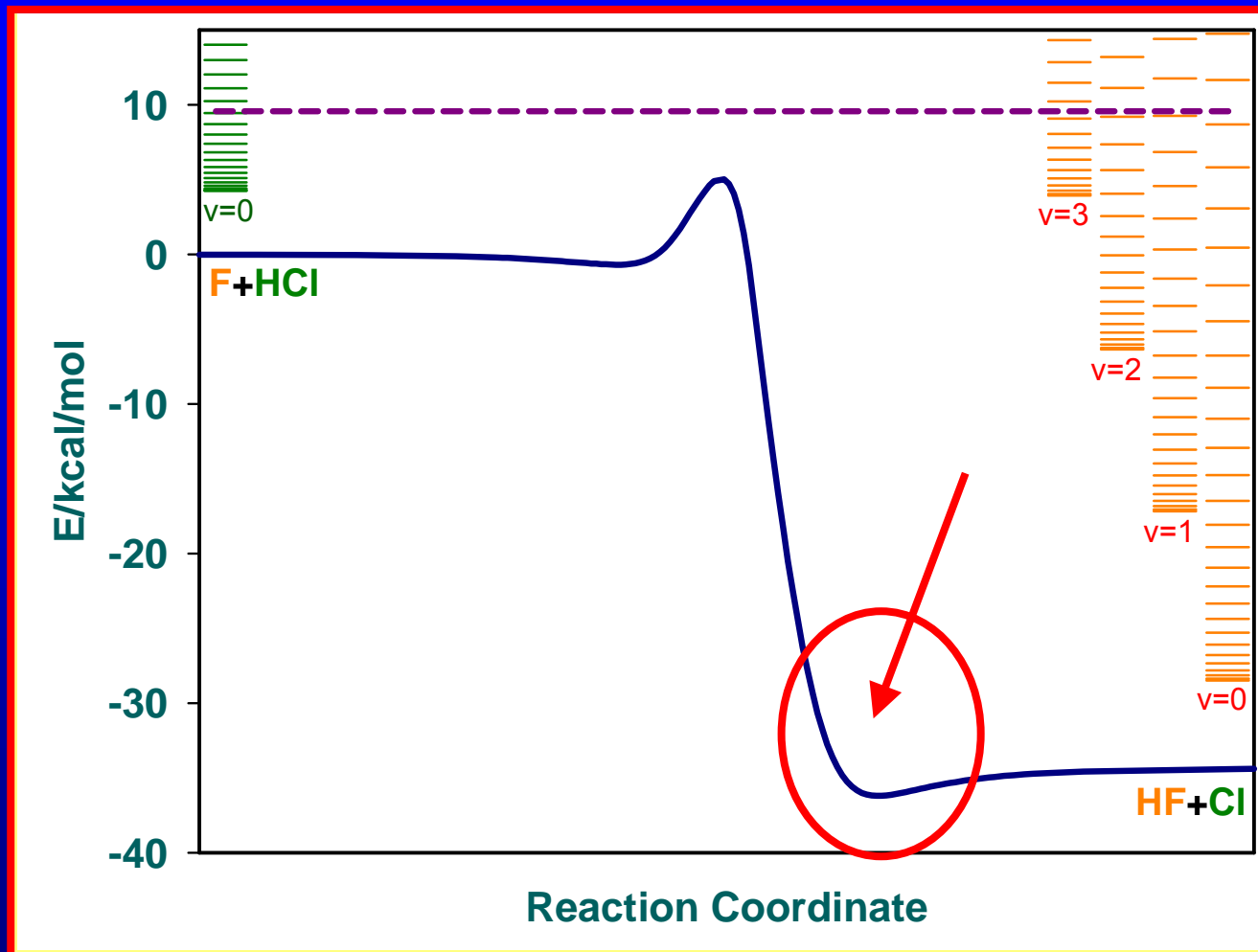
- $E_{\Sigma} > E_{\Pi}$ at large distances, $E_{\Sigma} < E_{\Pi}$ in chemical region
- Implies Σ , Π crossing surfaces for *collinear* F-HCl geometry...
- ...but $1A'$, $2A'$ *non-crossing* surfaces for *bent* geometry
- Conical intersection seam!!!

Conical Intersection Seams...



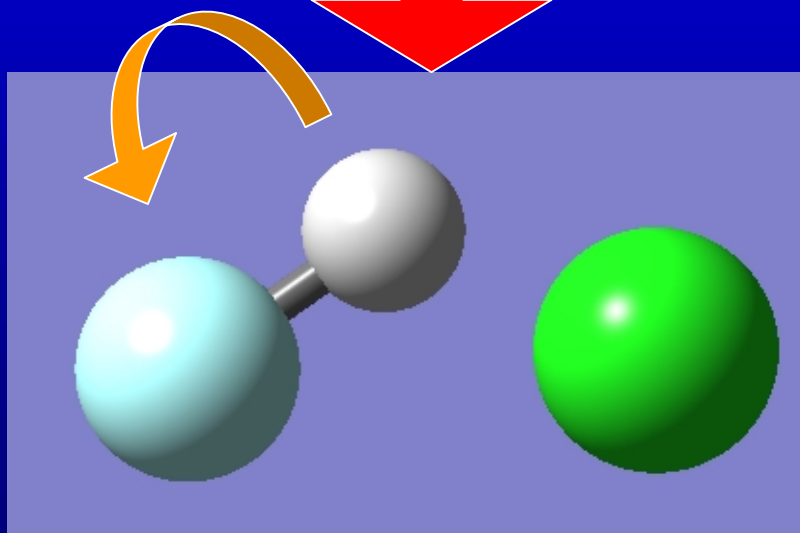
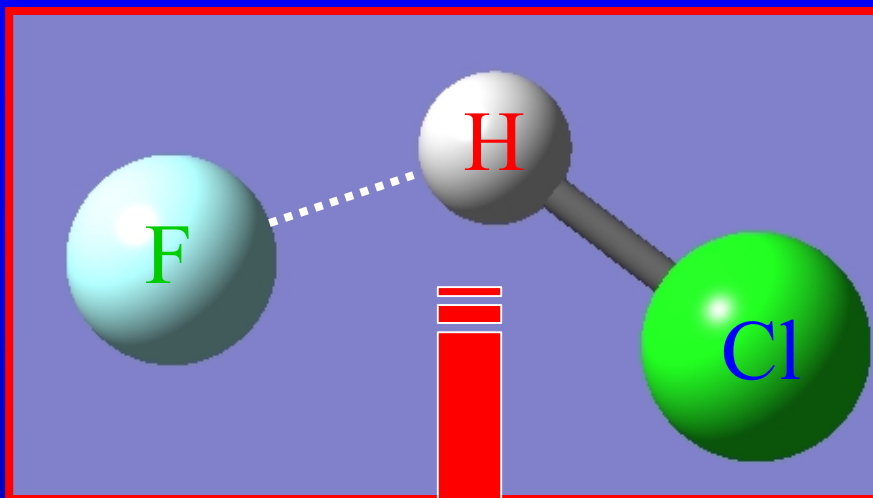
- Conical seam regions accessible at energies $< E_{\text{TS}}$

... and Van der Waals Wells



- Dipole-induced dipole “trap” for nascent $HF(v)$ -Cl products!

High J States? A Physical Picture



- “Franck-Condon” projection of resonance wf onto asymptotic HF states
- \Rightarrow structured HF($v=2, J$) distributions due to bend resonance wave function (e.g. H₂O photolysis studies by Andresen, Schinke, Crim)
- Vibrational predissociation of dipole bound “HF($v=3$)--Cl” van der Waals complex
- \Rightarrow peaking in HF($\Delta v = -1, J \approx 11$) (e.g. VdW’s fragmentation studies by Miller, Klemperer and others)