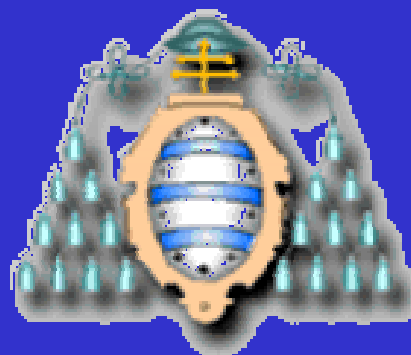


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The use of Symmetry-Adapted Perturbation Theory (*SAPT*)  
Methods for the Decomposition of Hydrogen Bonding  
and other Intermolecular Interactions

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Theoretical methods can be helpful to  
*COMPLEMENT* the experimental work  
on weakly-bound systems

*Ab initio* methodologies: A ... B

Supermolecular Approach  
(variational theory)

$$E_{\text{int}} = E(\text{AB}) - E(\text{A}) - E(\text{B})$$

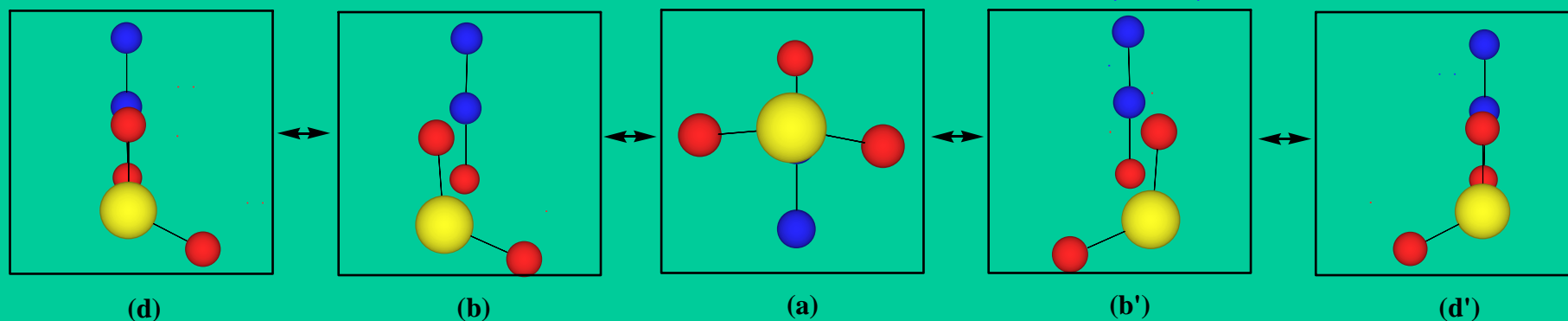
SAPT Approach  
(perturbation theory)

$E_{\text{int}}$ : Direct evaluation

Prof. Kuczowski's group (J. Phys. Chem. A 2000, 104, 4968)

- $\text{N}_2\text{O}\cdots\text{SO}_2$  lacks a symmetry plane.
- Tunneling motion splits the transitions into doublets.

Dynamic definition of the  $\text{N}_2\text{O}\cdots\text{SO}_2$  dimer

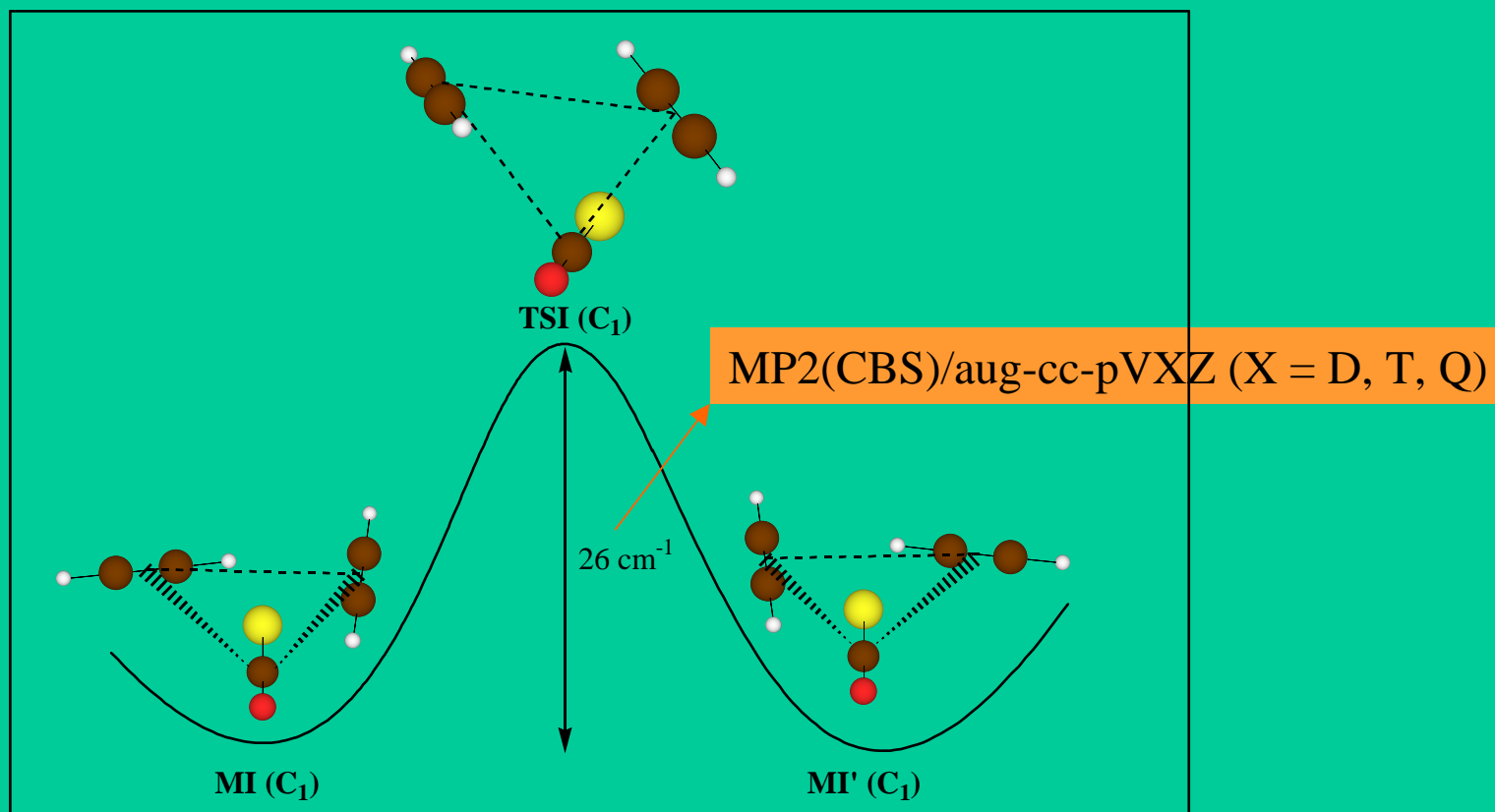


Cluster nonrigidity

H. Valdés, J.A. Sordo J. Phys. Chem. A 2004, 108, 2062

S.A. Peebles, R.L. Kuczkowski J. Mol. Struct. (Theochem) 2000, 500, 391

- Failure in observing some isotopomers  $\Rightarrow$  Structure cannot be resolved.
- Responsible: High amplitude motions sensitive to the masses of the HCCH monomers



Interconversion tunneling motion perturbing the spectrum

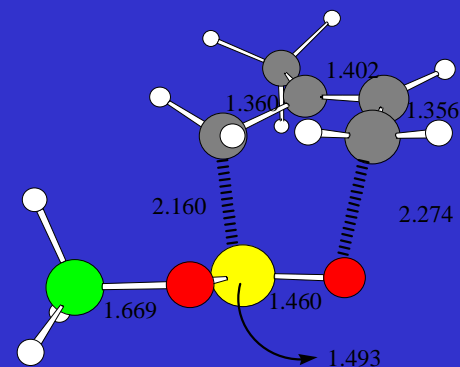
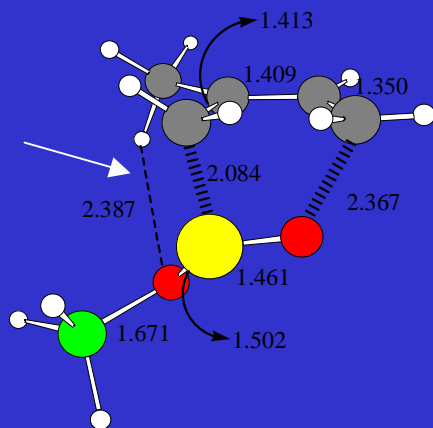
H. Valdés, J.A. Sordo Chem. Phys. Lett. 2004, 387, 428

Prof. Desiraju's group (Acc. Chem. Res. 1991, 24, 290)

Isoprene + SO<sub>2</sub> Diels-Alder cycloaddition

ENDO preference: Alder's rule (B. Deguin, P. Vogel J. Am Chem. Soc. 1992, 114, 9210)

C-H...O interaction



D. Suárez, T.L. Sordo, J.A. Sordo J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 763

Prof. Legon's group (Chem. Soc. Rev. 1987, 16, 467)

### Legon-Millen's rules

Legon and Millen proposed the two following rules, based on electrostatic arguments, in order to make geometry predictions on hydrogen bonded complexes ( $B \cdots HX$ ):

- HX interacts either through non-bonding pairs ( $n$ ) or through  $\pi$  pairs existing in B.
- Should B contain both  $n$  and  $\pi$  pairs, the former determine the geometry.

Sometimes these rules are VIOLATED (Legon *et al.* Chem. Soc. Faraday Trans. 1998, 94, 1565)



(theoretical justification)

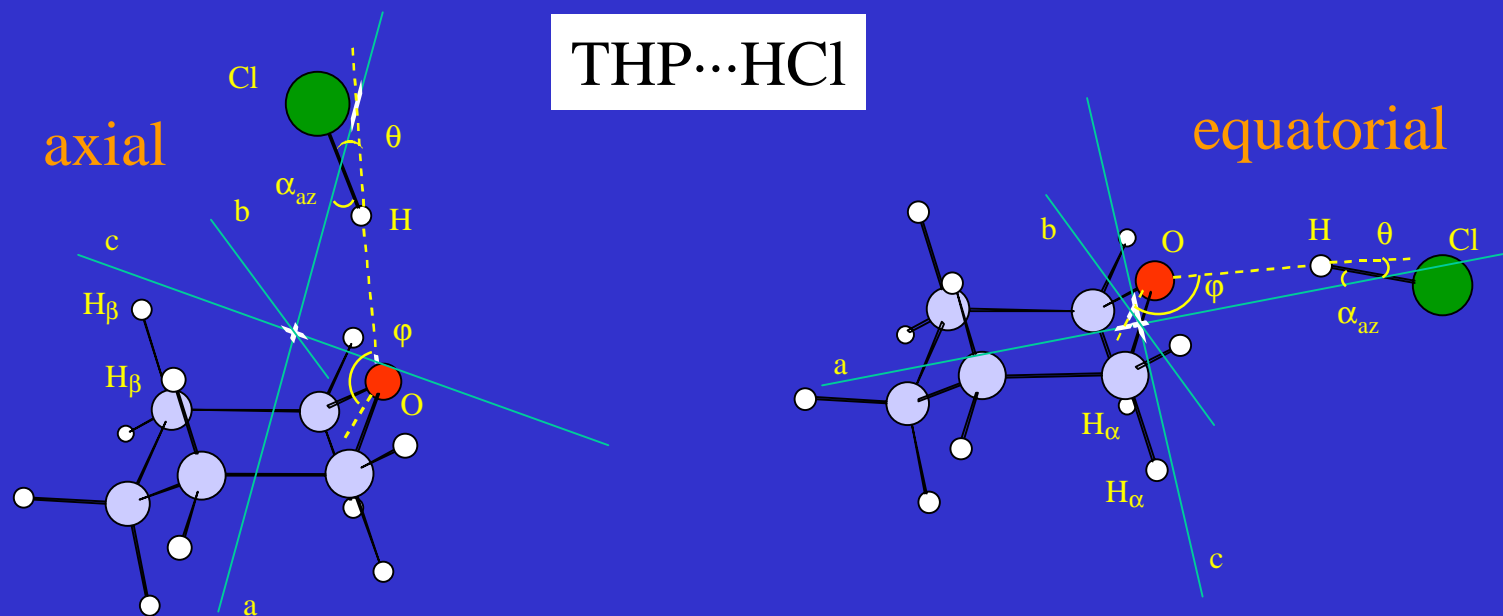
H. Valdés, V.M. Rayón, J.A. Sordo Chem. Phys. Lett. 1999, 309, 265

Prof. Alonso's group (Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 1999, 38, 1772)



The **FIRST** experimental observation of axial and equatorial conformers of hydrogen bonded complexes was reported in 1999

THP...HCl



The axial conformer is more stable

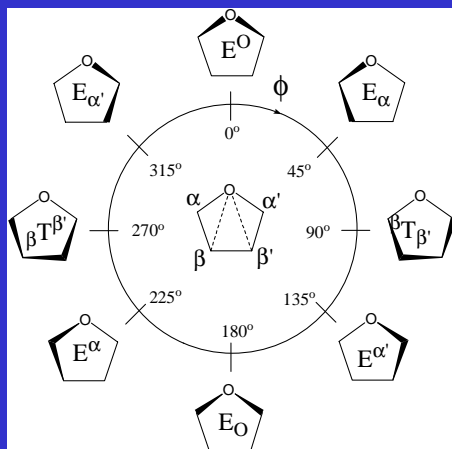


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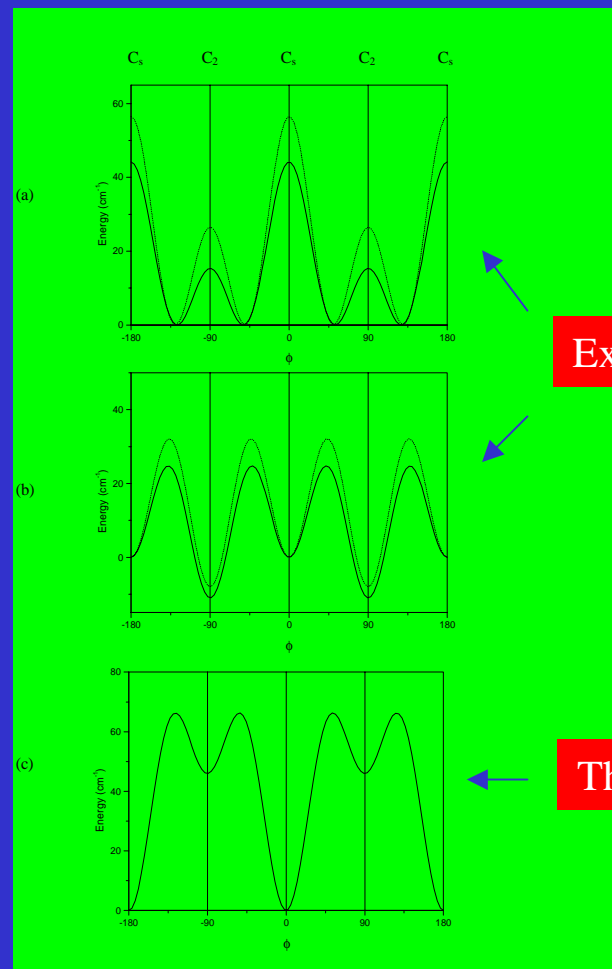
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Prof. Caminati's group (J. Chem. Phys. 1999, 111, 7871)

pseudorotation



THF



Experimental results

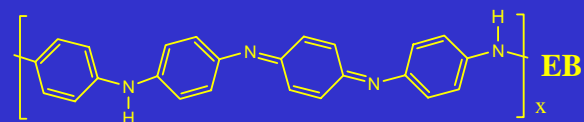
Theoretical prediction

V.M. Rayón, J.A. Sordo J. Chem. Phys. 2005, 122, 204303

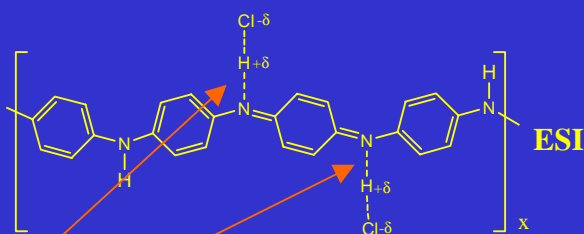


# ROLE OF WEAKLY-BOUND SYSTEMS IN CHEMICAL REACTIVITY

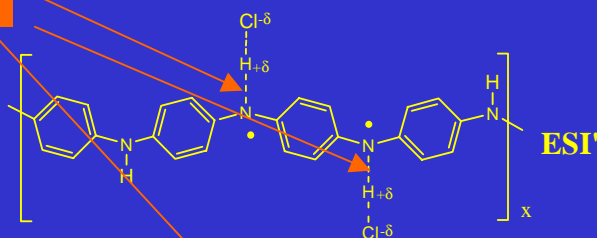
Heeger-MacDiarmid-Shirakawa (Nobel Prize, 2000) Phys. Rev. Lett. 1987, 59,1464



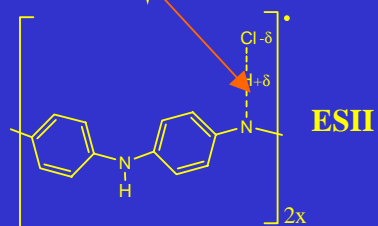
protonation (HCl)



internal redox reaction



polaron separation



Weak interactions

Emeraldine base

$10^{-10} \Omega^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$

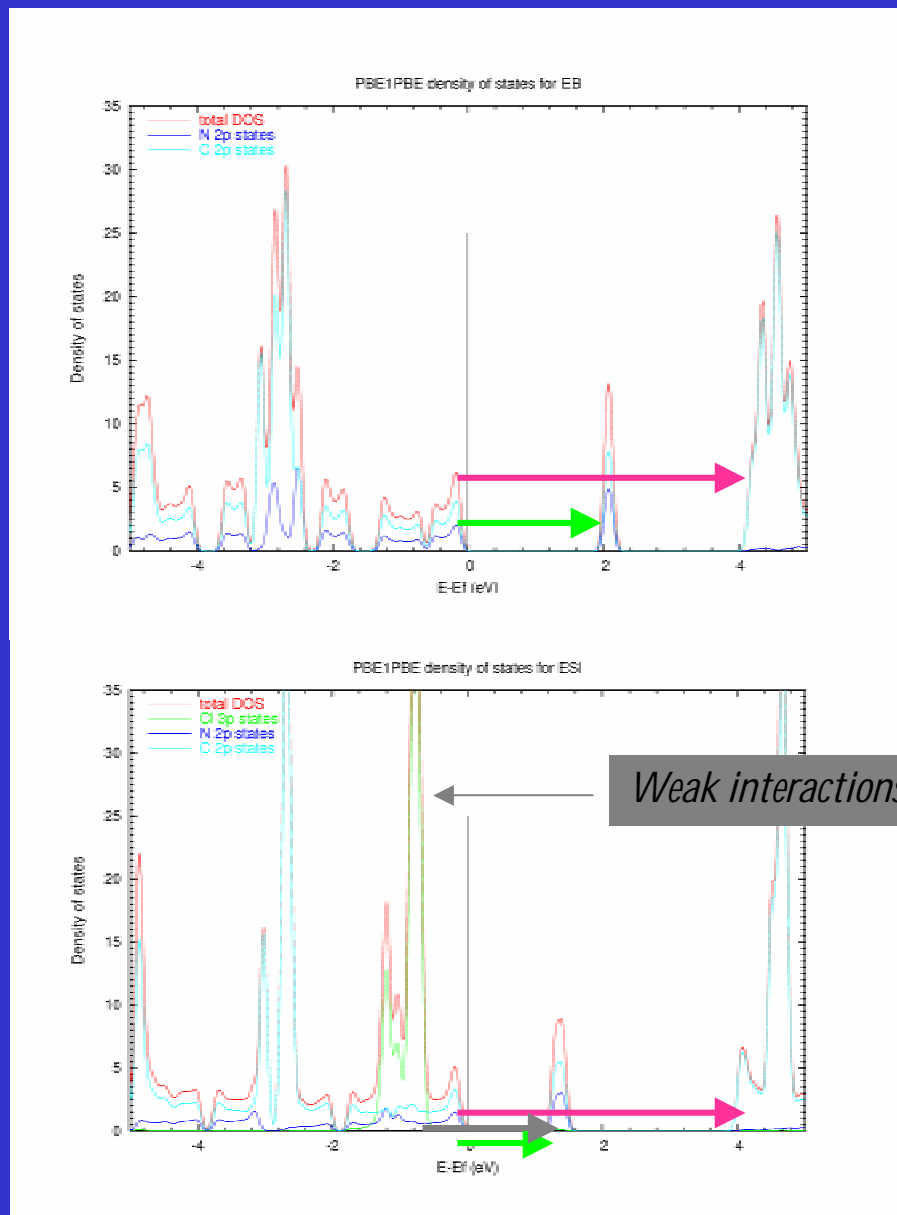
proton-doping (HCl)

Emeraldine salt

$10^2 \Omega^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$

(Copper:  $10^6 \Omega^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$ )

I. Prodan, J.A. Sordo, G.E. Scuseria, R.L. Martin J. Chem. Phys. 2005, 123, 014703



EB

↓  
PBC methodology

Theor

Exp

2.1 eV → 2.0 eV

4.0 eV → 3.8 eV

ESI

Theor

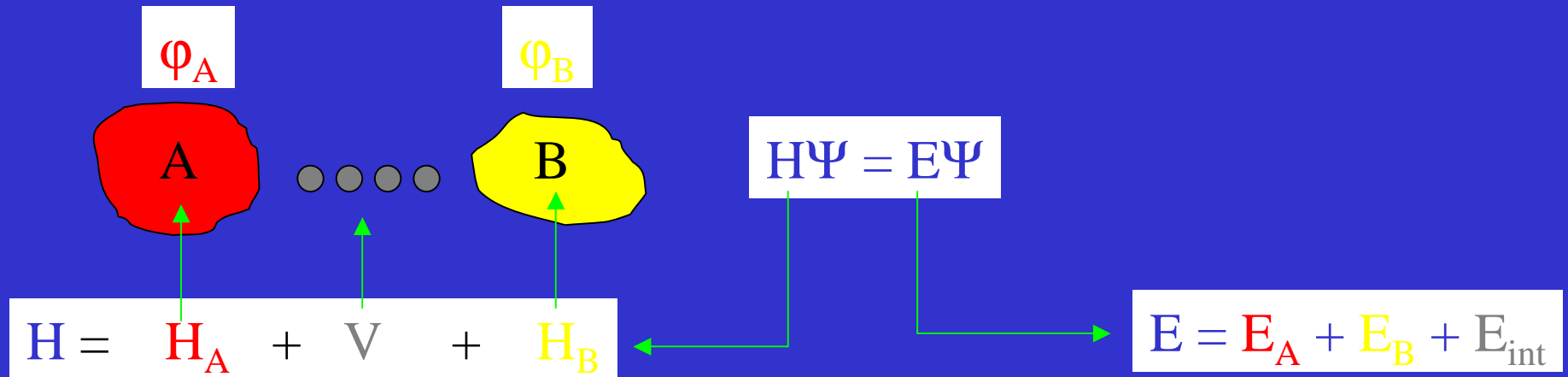
Exp

1.4 eV → 1.5 eV

2.0 eV → 2.8 eV

4.0 eV → 4.1 eV

A. Varela, G.E. Scuseria, J.A. Sordo J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2005, 127, 11318



### RAYLEIGH-SCHRÖDINGER PERTURBATION THEORY

$H_A + H_B =$  unperturbed  
 $V =$  perturbation

$E_A + E_B =$  zero-order energy  
 $\varphi_A \bullet \varphi_B =$  zero-order wavefunction

### PROBLEMS:

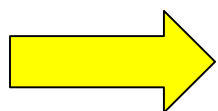
- (a)  $\varphi_A, \varphi_B$  unknown (intramolecular correlation)
- (b)  $\varphi_A \bullet \varphi_B$  violates the Pauli exclusion principle

*SOLUTION: Szalewicz et al. Chem. Rev. 1994, 94, 1887*

(a) Appropriate partitioning scheme

$$H = F_A + F_B + W_A + W_B + V$$

- $F$  = Fock operators (unperturbed Hamiltonian with known eigenfunctions: Hartree-Fock wavefunction)
- $W$  = Moeller-Plesset operators (intramolecular correlation)
- $V$  = Intermolecular interaction



Double perturbation theory:  $\lambda W + \zeta V$

(b) Symmetry-adapted,  $A \phi_A \phi_B$ , wavefunctions

$$E_{\text{int}} = E_{\text{elec}}^{(1)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(1)} + E_{\text{ind}}^{(2)} + E_{\text{dis}}^{(2)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(2)} + \dots$$

*elec, ind, dis:*  $\varphi_A \varphi_B$   
*exch:*  $A \varphi_A \varphi_B$

*elec, ind:* Classical  
*dis, exch:* Quantum

*Notation:*

$$E_{\alpha}^{(n)} = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} E_{\alpha}^{(nl)}$$

$n \rightarrow$  interaction ( $\mathbf{V}$ )

$l \rightarrow$  intramolecular correlation ( $\mathbf{W}$ )

### Levels of Accuracy

HF



$$E_{\text{int}}(\text{HF}) = E_{\text{elec}}^{(10)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(10)} + E_{\text{ind}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{exch-ind}}^{(20)} + \delta E_{\text{int}}^{\text{HF}}$$

MP2



$$E_{\text{int}}(\text{SAPT2}) = E_{\text{int}}(\text{HF}) + E_{\text{elec}}^{(12)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(11)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(12)} + E_{\text{ind}}^{(22)} + E_{\text{exch-ind}}^{(22)} + E_{\text{dis}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{exch-dis}}^{(20)}$$

MP4



$$E_{\text{int}}(\text{SAPT4}) = E_{\text{int}}(\text{SAPT2}) + E_{\text{elec}}^{(13)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(13)} + \dots + E_{\text{exch}}^{(1\infty)} + E_{\text{dis}}^{(21)} + E_{\text{dis}}^{(22)}$$

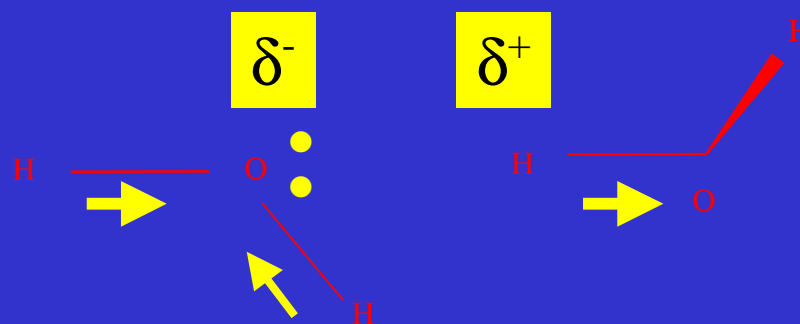
*SAPT* allows for the *INTERPRETATION* of the mechanisms of formation of molecular associations in terms of the *four FUNDAMENTAL FORCES in Chemistry*

The diagram illustrates the decomposition of the SAPT energy into four fundamental forces. The central equation is  $E_{\text{int}}(\text{SAPT}) = E_{\text{elec}}^{(1)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(1)} + E_{\text{ind}}^{(2)} + E_{\text{dis}}^{(2)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(2)} + \dots$ . Colored boxes with arrows point from the force names to their corresponding terms in the equation: a red box labeled 'electrostatic' points to  $E_{\text{elec}}^{(1)}$ ; a yellow box labeled 'exchange' points to  $E_{\text{exch}}^{(1)}$  and  $E_{\text{exch}}^{(2)}$ ; a green box labeled 'induction' points to  $E_{\text{ind}}^{(2)}$ ; and a pink box labeled 'dispersion' points to  $E_{\text{dis}}^{(2)}$ .

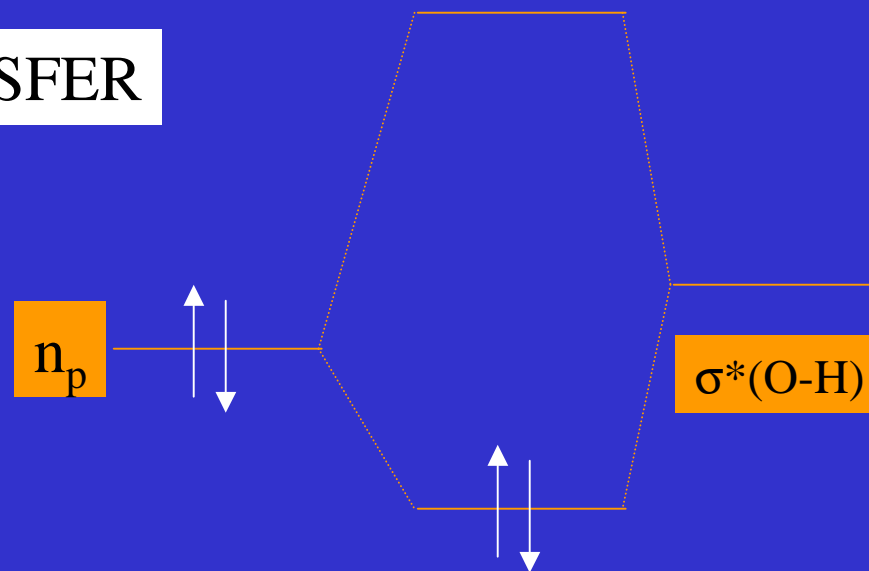
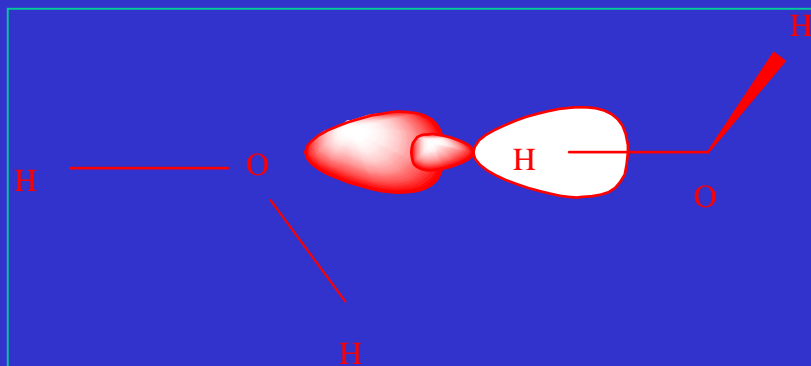
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ELECTROSTATIC INTERACTIONS

*(Legon-Millen's rules)*

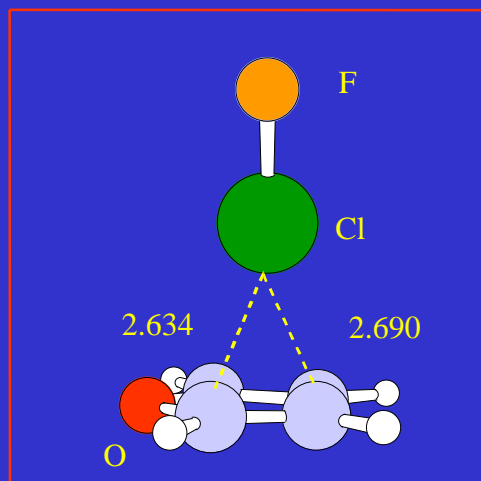


CHARGE TRANSFER

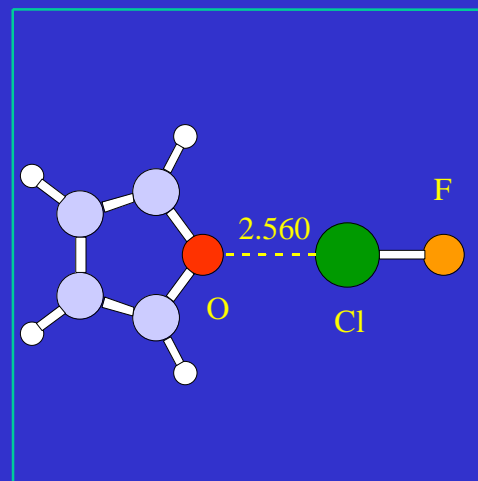


Violation of the Legon-Millen's rules

$\pi$  interaction



n interaction



Experiment

Prediction

Legon *et al.* Chem. Soc. Faraday Trans. 1998, 94, 1565

*Furan ... CIF*

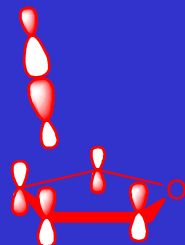


Justification in terms of charge transfer

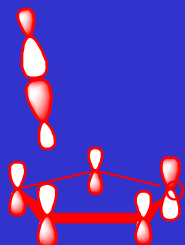
*SAPT suggests the induction forces to be more relevant in the  $\pi$  complex*

$\pi$  interaction

$c_i = 0.1-0.2$



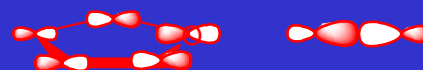
HOMO (Furano)  $\longrightarrow$  LUMO ( CIF )



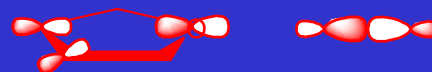
NHOMO (Furano)  $\longrightarrow$  LUMO ( CIF )

n interaction

$c_i = 0.04-0.06$



NHOMO (Furano)  $\longrightarrow$  LUMO ( CIF )



N'HOMO (Furano)  $\longrightarrow$  LUMO ( CIF )

## EXCHANGE AND DISPERSION CONTRIBUTIONS

System	$\Delta E(\text{theor})^a$	CT(exp) <sup>b</sup>	CT(theor) <sup>a</sup>	$k_{\sigma}(\text{exp})^b$	$k_{\sigma}(\text{theor})^a$
$\text{H}_3\text{P}\cdots\text{BrCl}$	-7.2	0.101 e	-50.1	11.56(7)	11.9
$\text{H}_3\text{N}\cdots\text{BrCl}$	-11.2	0.064 e	-35.2	26.6(3)	31.6

$\Delta E$  y CT(theor) in kcal/mol,  $k_{\sigma}$  en  $\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}$

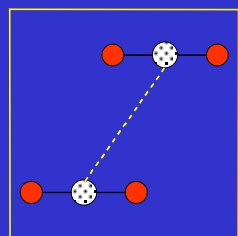
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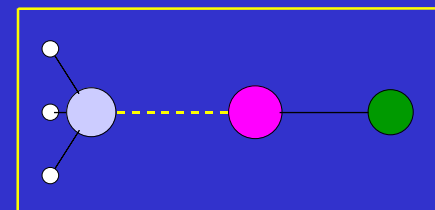
How can one justify the greater strength of the  $\text{H}_3\text{N}\cdots\text{BrCl}$  complex?

# IMPORTANCE OF EXCHANGE AND DISPERSION FORCES



vdW

X-bond



E (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	CO <sub>2</sub> ...CO <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>3</sub> P...BrCl	H <sub>3</sub> N...BrCl
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E <sub>pol</sub> (1)	-559	-10612	-11441
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E <sub>ind</sub> (2)	-394	-45757	-31116
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E <sub>dis</sub> (2)	-707	-4028	-3263
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E <sub>exc</sub> (1)	920	18768	16172
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E <sub>exc</sub> (2)	353	40676	27752
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E <sub>int</sub> (HF)	-9	-30	-1563
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E <sub>int</sub> (corr)	-398	-2411	-2289
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E <sub>int</sub> (SAPT)	-407	-2441	-3851
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X-bond >> vdW

vdW >> X-bond

Exchange forces responsible for the greater strength of H<sub>3</sub>N·BrCl

## SUMMARY

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