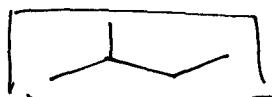


# Lecture Notes From 9/16/02

→ new homework problems available today

Review: Nomenclature



- ① designate parent chain : butane
- ② determine appendage name : methyl
- ③ indicate appendage position on chain : 2

name: 2-methylbutane

→ all problems from homework #1 can now be answered based on what we have learned in Lecture.

## TODAY

- ① Atomic Orbitals
- ② Molecular Orbitals

## ► Quantum Mechanics

- This is the basis for orbital theory
- a good overview from a non-scientific type book can be found in "The Making of the Atomic Bomb" by R. Rhodes

## ► Schrodinger Equation

- An equation derived to describe a negatively charged  $e^-$  in the vicinity of a nucleus. The solution is represented by the symbol  $\Psi$  and is called a wave function

$$\left\{ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\Psi}{dx^2} + U(x)\Psi(x) = E\Psi(x) \right\}$$

\*you don't need to know this eq'n\*

$\Psi^2$  = probability of a given  $e^-$  density at a given point in space

## Note:

A good explanation of this material can be found in Organic Chemistry by M. Jones ch 1-4.

- (2)
- Each wave function can be described by a set of quantum numbers:

$n \propto$  distance from nucleus  
 $l \propto$  shape of orbital  
 $m_l \propto$  orientation.  
 $s \propto$  spin ( $1/2$ )

<u>Energy</u>	<u><math>n</math></u>	<u><math>l</math></u>	<u><math>m_l</math></u>	<u><math>s</math></u>	<u>orbital</u>
low ↓	1	0	0	$\pm 1/2$	1s
	2	0	0	$\pm 1/2$	2s
high	2	1	-1, 0, +1	$\pm 1/2$	2p

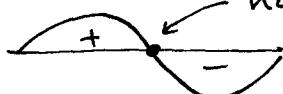
↑ (x, y, z axis)

### ► Consider 1s Orbital

$n = 1$ , ∴ no nodes (# nodes =  $n - 1$ )

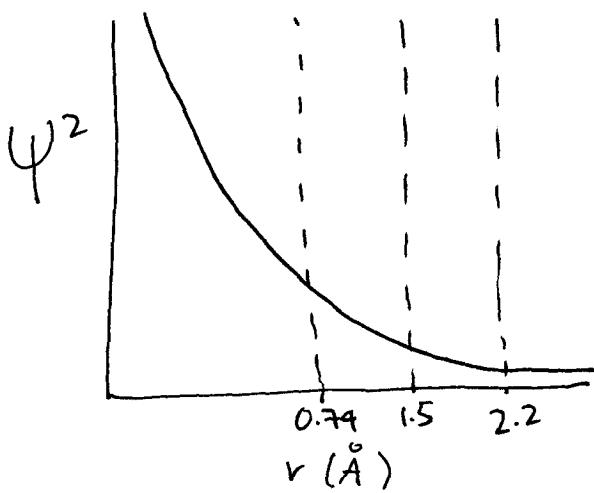
$l = 0$ , ∴ symmetrically spherical

node: position where  $e^{\circ}$  density goes to zero  
 node ⇒ change of sign.



this makes sense when atom behavior is described as a wave not a particle.

### Probability of $e^{\circ}$ density: $\psi^2$

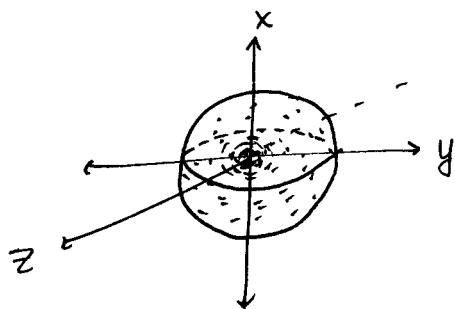
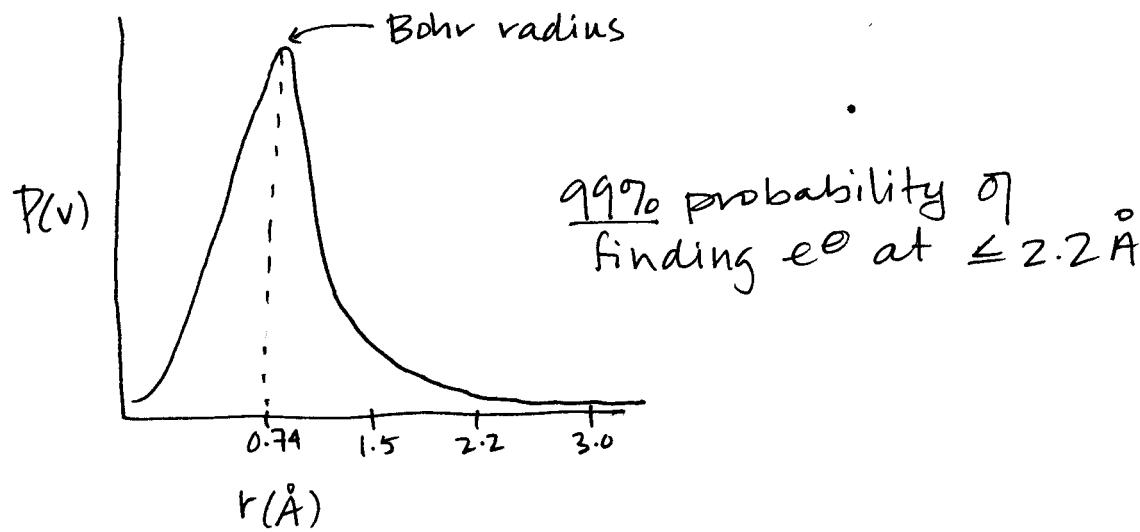


90% of  $e^{\circ}$  density is at  $1.5 \text{ \AA}$  or less.

### \*note\*

This probability has nothing to do with the # of  $e^{\circ}$  in a given space. This graph describes 1s which has  $2e^{\circ}$  only.

Probability of Finding an  $e^-$  at a given position in 1s :  $P(r)$

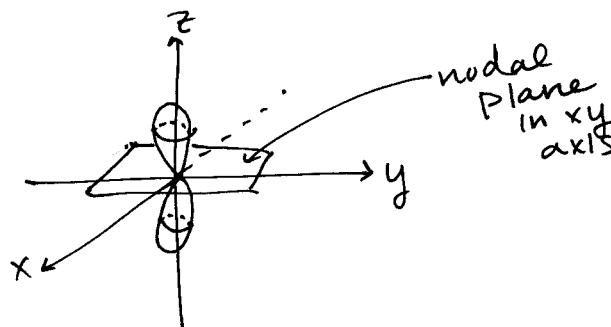


To understand the probability of a given position, you must consider the volume the  $e^-$  density exists in. That is what the above graph does ( $P(r)$ )

Consider 2p Orbital

$n = 2$ ,  $\therefore 1$  node

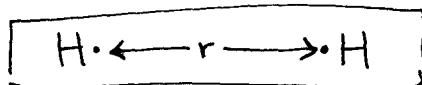
$l = 1$ ,  $\therefore$  dumbbell shaped



maximal  $e^-$  density along z-axis

## Molecular Orbitals

→ consider  $H_2$

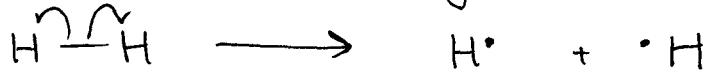


how does energy change as you vary  $r$ ?

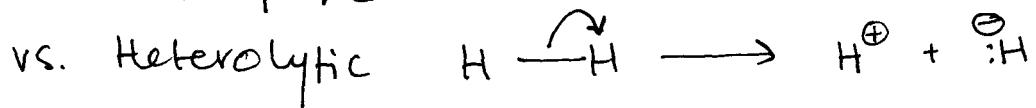
→ we know certain things:

① Bond Dissociation Energy = +104 kcal/mol ( $\Delta H$ )  
 $\therefore$  endothermic

- It describes a homolytic bond cleavage where one electron goes w/ each H.

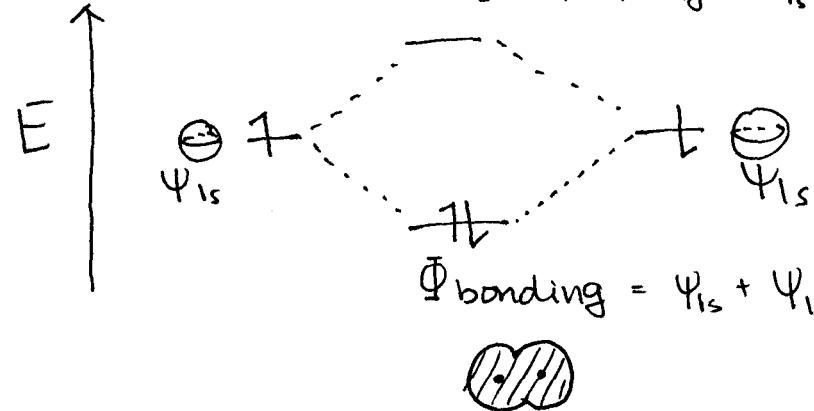


we use  $\curvearrowleft$  (half headed arrows) to describe the movement of 1  $e^-$



## Orbital Interaction Diagrams

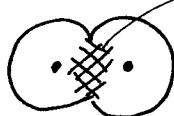
$$\Phi_{\text{antibonding}} = \Psi_{1s} - \Psi_{1s}$$



$$\Phi_{\text{bonding}} = \Psi_{1s} + \Psi_{1s}$$



- molecular orbitals are a linear combination of atomic orbitals.

Bonding:

→ the  $e^-$  density is maximized between the nuclei stabilizing the diatomic molecule and hence lowering the energy

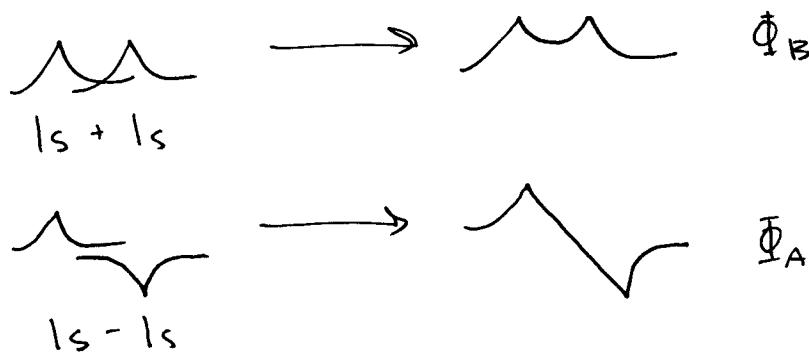
→ This is a very compelling argument as to why H is diatomic!

Antibonding:

shading indicates that the orbitals have opposite signs (+/-)  
These have equal  $e^-$  density in each side.

Analogy:

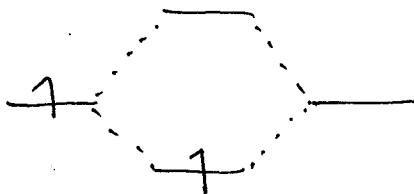
constructive is destructive interference of waves

Note:

when writing MO diagrams:

- ① #AO = # MO
- ②  $E_{MO} \uparrow$  as # nodes  $\uparrow$
- ③ AO's close in energy interact strongly
- ④ relative shapes of AO's influence interactions

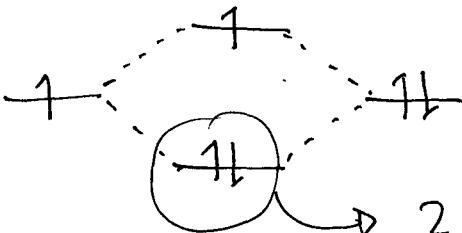
## What about $H_2^+$



Where is the  $e^-$ ?

- Always in lower energy orbitals
- which is lower MO or AO?
- MO-so molecule is still diatomic

## What about $H_2^-$



→ 2  $e^-$  still reside in a low energy molecule. This is more stable as a diatomic molecule than as 2 atoms.