

Answers - Chapter 10

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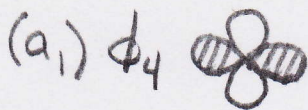
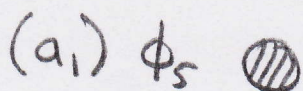
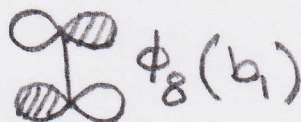
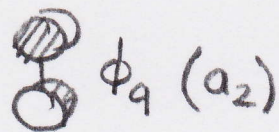
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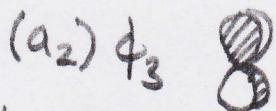
$\psi_8(2b_1)$

$\psi_9(2a_2)$

$\psi_5(3a_1)$



$\psi_4(2a_1)$

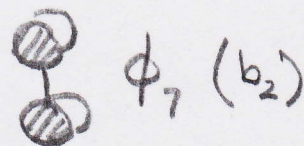


$\psi_2(2b_2)$



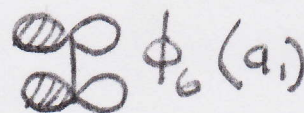
$\psi_3(1a_2)$

$\psi_1(1b_1)$



$\psi_7(1b_2)$

$\psi_6(1a_1)$



Only orbitals of the same symmetry interact! Notice that

$$S_{46} \approx S_{56} > S_{18} \approx S_{27} > S_{39} \quad (\text{overlaps are } \sigma > \pi > \delta !)$$

Notice that all  $S_{ij} = (+)$  in the drawing.

$$e_1 = e_1^0 + e_1^{(2)} \quad e_1^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{18}^2}{e_1^0 - e_8^0} = \frac{(+)}{(-)} = (-) \text{ stab.}$$

$$e_2 = e_2^0 + e_2^{(2)} \quad e_2^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{27}^2}{e_2^0 - e_7^0} = \frac{(+)}{(+)} = (+) \text{ destabil.}$$

$$e_3 = e_3^0 + e_3^{(2)} \quad e_3^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{39}^2}{e_3^0 - e_9^0} = \frac{(+)}{(-)} = (-) \text{ stab.}$$

$$e_4 = e_4^0 + e_4^{(2)} \quad e_4^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{46}^2}{e_4^0 - e_6^0} = \frac{(+)}{(+)} = (+) + e_4^{(3)} \text{ (stab.)}$$

(destab.)

$$e_5 = e_5^0 + e_5^{(2)} \quad e_5^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{56}^2}{e_5^0 - e_6^0} = \frac{(+)}{(+)} = \text{destab.}$$

$$e_6 = e_6^0 + e_6^{(2)} \quad e_6^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{46}^2}{e_6^0 - e_4^0} + \frac{S_{56}^2}{e_6^0 - e_5^0} = \frac{(+)}{(-)} + \frac{(+)}{(-)} = (-) \text{ stab.}$$

$$e_7 = e_7^0 + e_7^{(2)} \quad e_7^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{27}^2}{e_7^0 - e_2^0} = \frac{(+)}{(-)} = (-) \text{ stab.}$$

$$e_8 = e_8^0 + e_8^{(2)} \quad e_8^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{18}^2}{e_8^0 - e_1^0} = \frac{(+)}{(+)} = (+) \text{ destabil.}$$

$$e_9 = e_9^0 + e_9^{(2)} \quad e_9^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{39}^2}{e_9^0 - e_3^0} = \frac{(+)}{(+)} = (+) \text{ destabil.}$$

notice from what we have decided on the basis of overlaps:

$$e_6^{(2)} < e_7^{(2)} \approx e_1^{(2)} < e_3^{(2)}$$

and

$$e_5^{(2)} > e_8^{(2)} \approx e_2^{(2)} > e_9^{(2)}$$

$$\psi_1 \approx \phi_1 + t_{81}^{(1)} \phi_8 \quad t_{81}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{18}}{e_1^0 - e_8^0} = \frac{(-)}{(-)} = (+)$$

$$\therefore \psi_1 = \text{diagram} + \left( \text{diagram} \right) \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_2 \approx \phi_2 + t_{72}^{(1)} \phi_7 \quad t_{72}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{27}}{e_2^0 - e_7^0} = \frac{(-)}{(+)} = (-)$$

$$\therefore \psi_2 = \text{diagram} - \left( \text{diagram} \right) \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_3 \approx \phi_3 + t_{93}^{(1)} \phi_9 \quad t_{93}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{39}}{e_3^0 - e_9^0} = \frac{(-)}{(-)} = (+)$$

$$\therefore \psi_3 = \text{diagram} + \left( \text{diagram} \right) \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_4 \approx \phi_4 + t_{64}^{(1)} \phi_6 + t_{54}^{(2)} \phi_5 \quad t_{64}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{46}}{e_4^0 - e_6^0} = \frac{(-)}{(+)} = (-)$$

$$t_{54}^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{46} S_{56}}{(e_4^0 - e_5^0)(e_4^0 - e_6^0)} = \frac{(+)(+)}{(-)(+)} = (-)$$

$$\therefore \psi_4 = \text{diagram} - \left( \text{diagram} \right) - \left[ \text{diagram} \right] \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_5 \approx \phi_5 + t_{65}^{(1)} \phi_6 + t_{45}^{(2)} \phi_4 \quad t_{65}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{56}}{e_5^0 - e_6^0} = \frac{(-)}{(+)} = (-)$$

$$t_{45}^{(2)} \propto \frac{S_{56} S_{46}}{(e_5^0 - e_4^0)(e_5^0 - e_6^0)} = \frac{(+)(+)}{(-)(-)} = (+)$$

$$\therefore \psi_5 = \text{diagram} - \left( \text{diagram} \right) + \left[ \text{diagram} \right] \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_6 \approx \phi_6 + t_{46}^{(1)} \phi_4 + t_{56}^{(1)} \phi_5 \quad t_{46}^{(2)} \propto \frac{-S_{46}}{e_6^0 - e_4^0} = \frac{(-)}{(-)} = (+)$$

$$t_{56}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{56}}{e_6^0 - e_5^0} = \frac{(-)}{(-)} = (+)$$

$$\therefore \psi_6 = \text{diagram} + (\text{diagram}) + (\text{diagram}) \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_7 \approx \phi_7 + t_{27}^{(1)} \phi_2 \quad t_{27}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{27}}{e_7^0 - e_2^0} = \frac{(-)}{(-)} = (+)$$

$$\therefore \psi_7 = \text{diagram} + (\text{diagram}) \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_8 \approx \phi_8 + t_{18}^{(1)} \phi_1 \quad t_{18}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{18}}{e_8^0 - e_1^0} = \frac{(-)}{(+)} = (-)$$

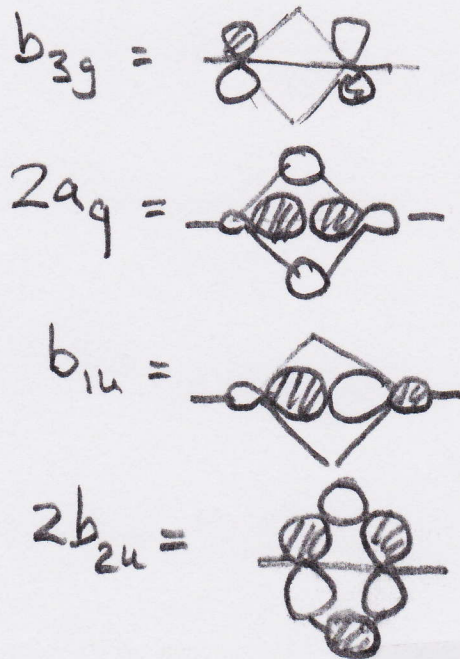
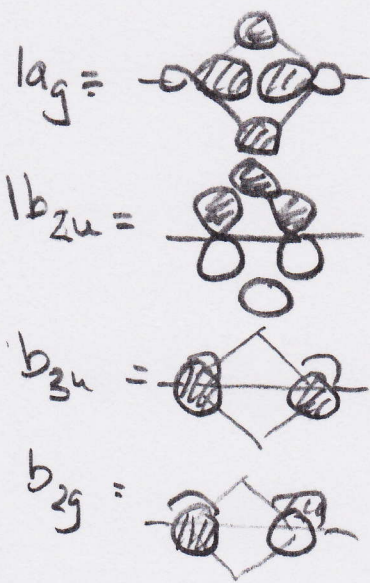
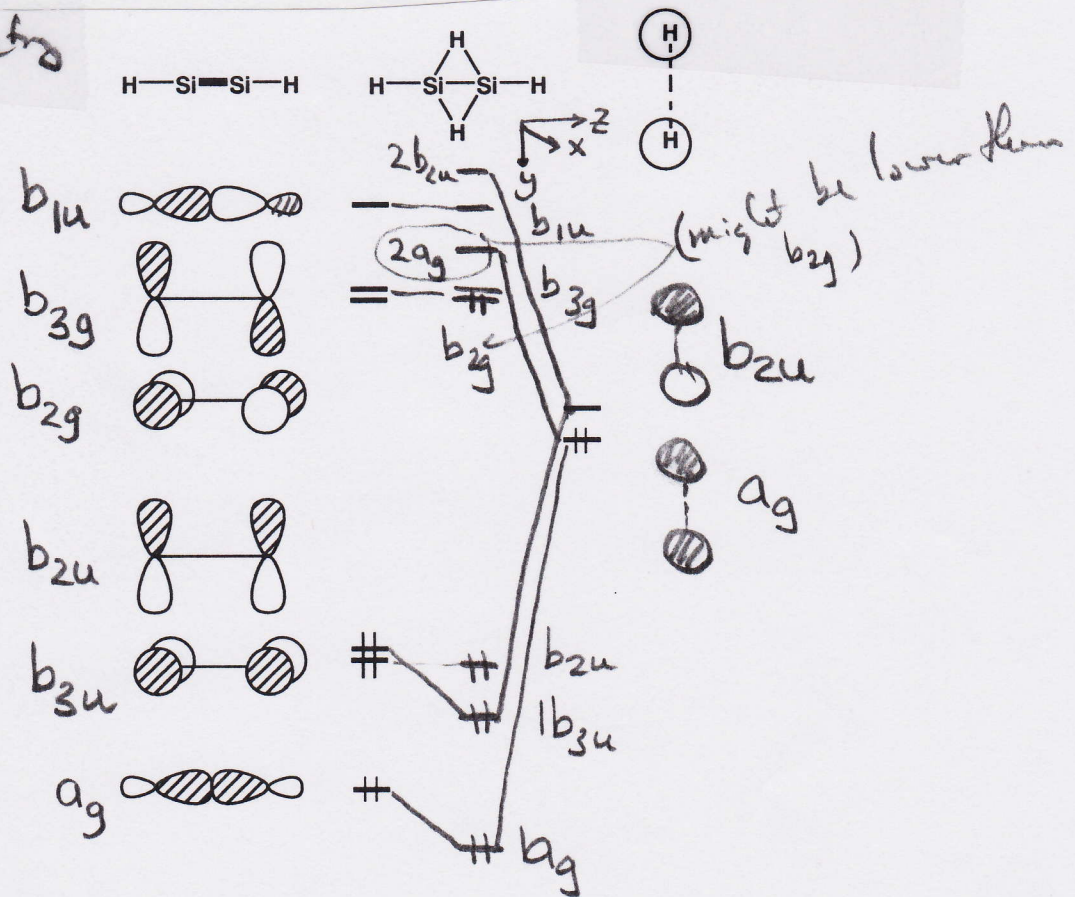
$$\therefore \psi_8 = \text{diagram} - (\text{diagram}) \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

$$\psi_9 \approx \phi_9 + t_{39}^{(1)} \phi_3 \quad t_{39}^{(1)} \propto \frac{-S_{39}}{e_9^0 - e_3^0} = \frac{(-)}{(+)} = (-)$$

$$\therefore \psi_9 = \text{diagram} - (\text{diagram}) \Rightarrow \text{diagram}$$

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using  $D_{2h}$  symmetry



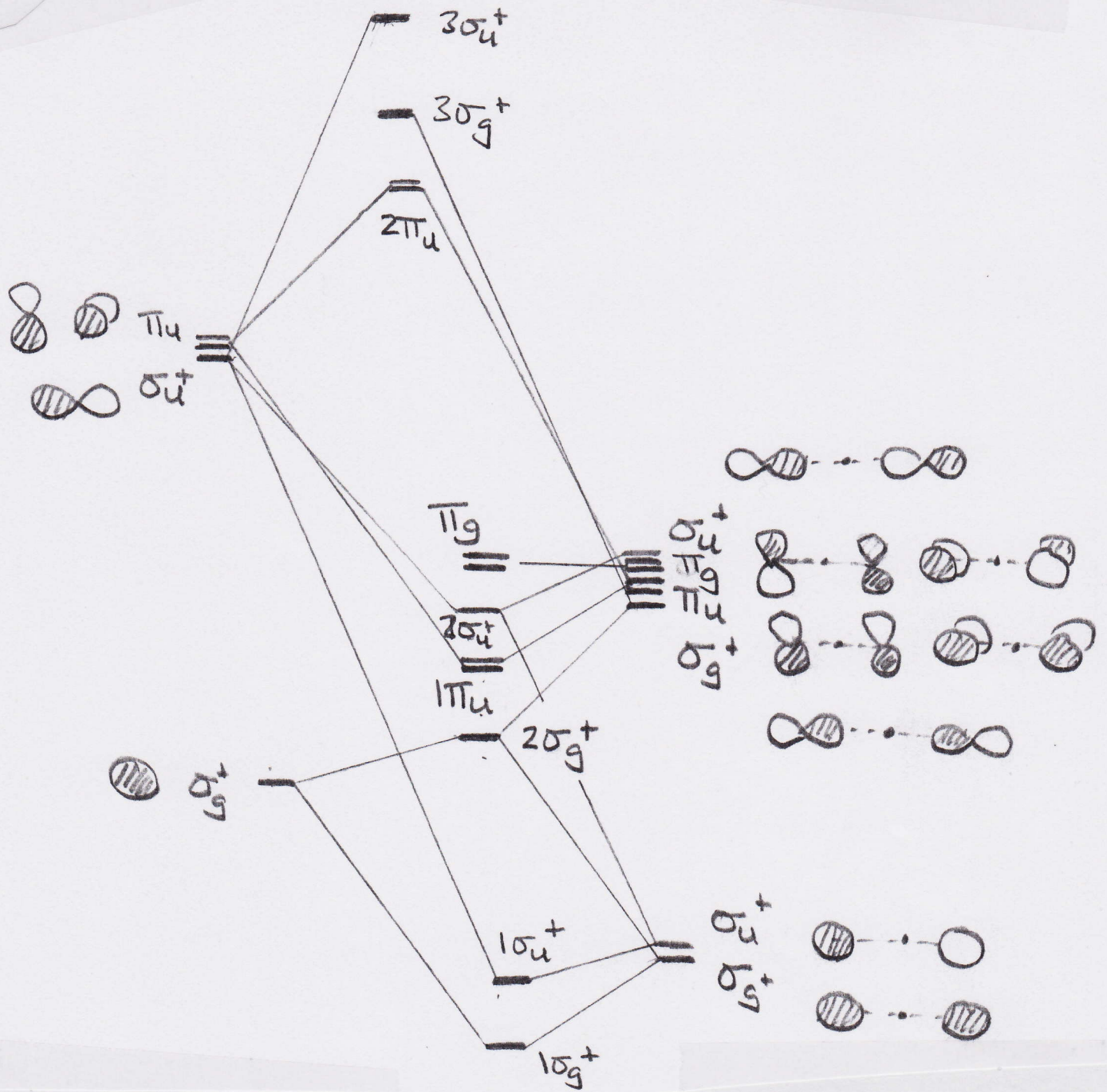
Notice that  $b_{2g}$  and  $b_{3g}$  are at the same energy. Therefore, if the MO ordering is as given above, then the molecule should be a triplet. If  $2a_g$  lies at lower energy (but notice that it is strongly Si-H antibonding) then one might have a singlet.

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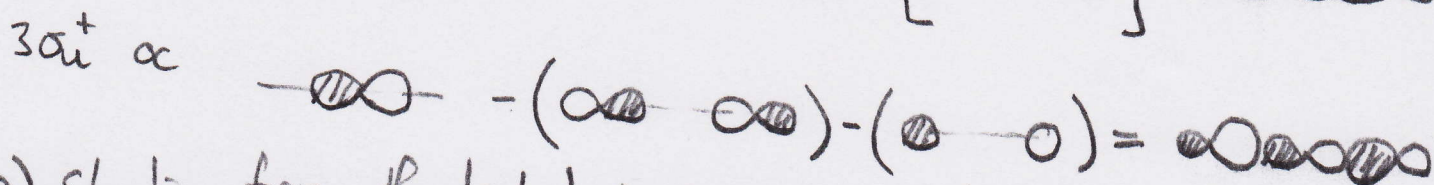
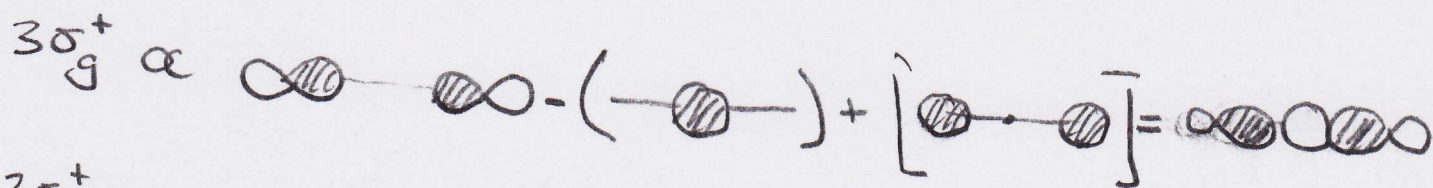
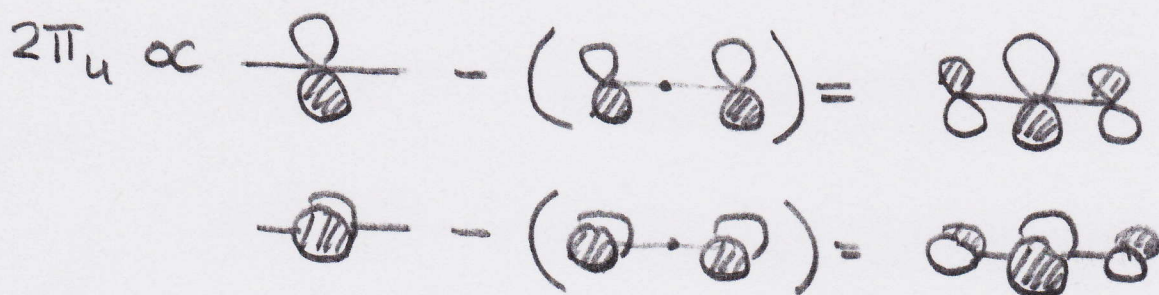
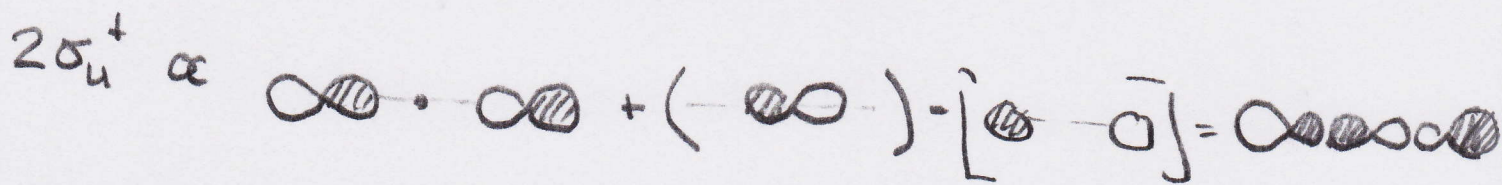
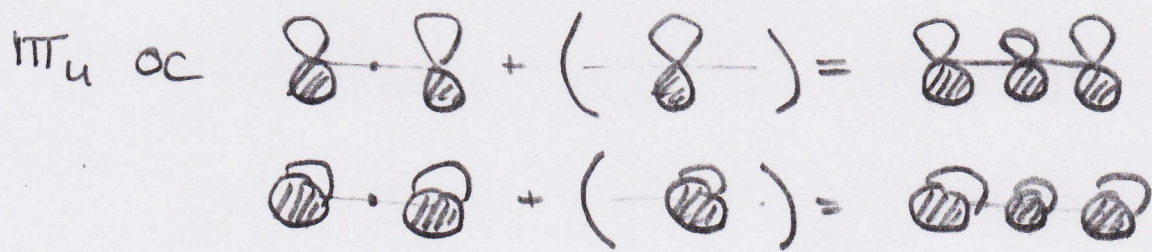
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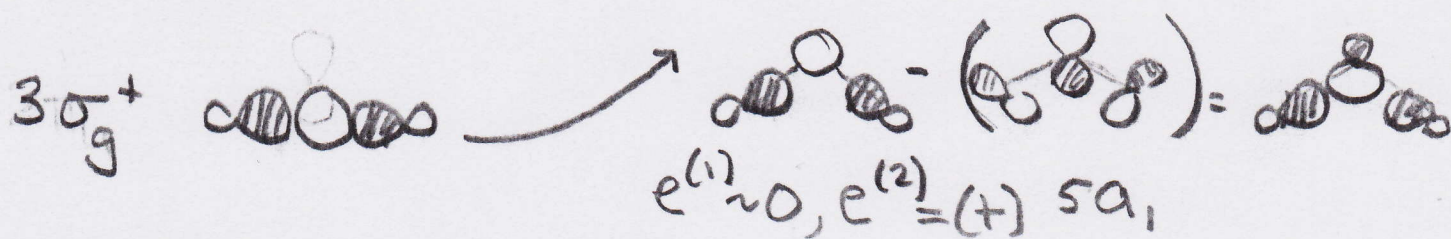
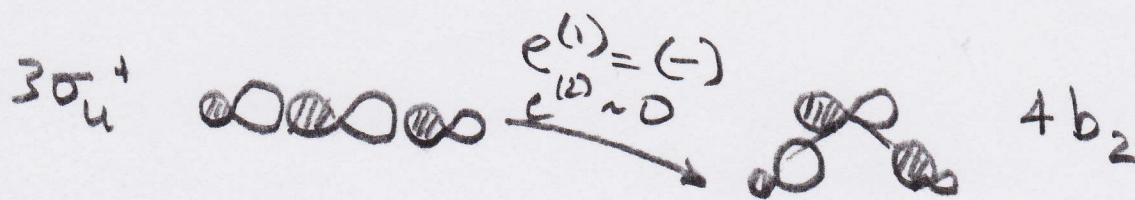
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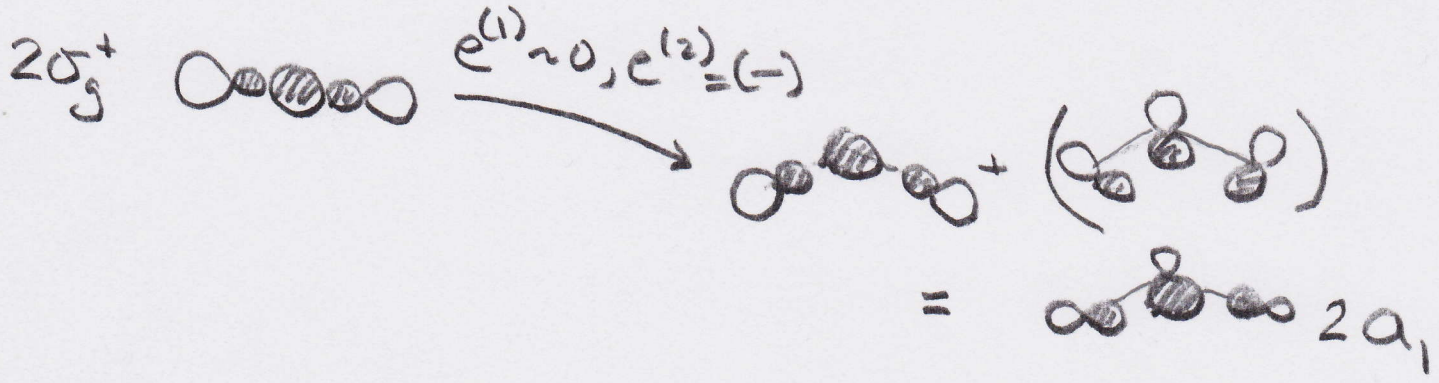
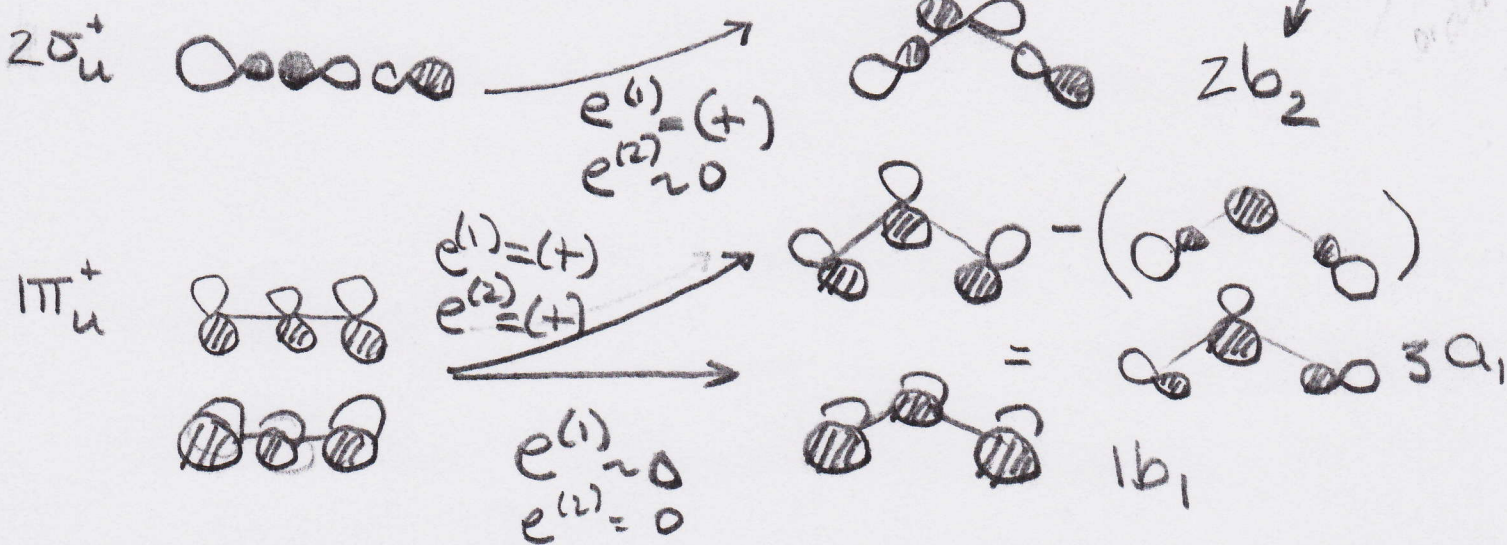
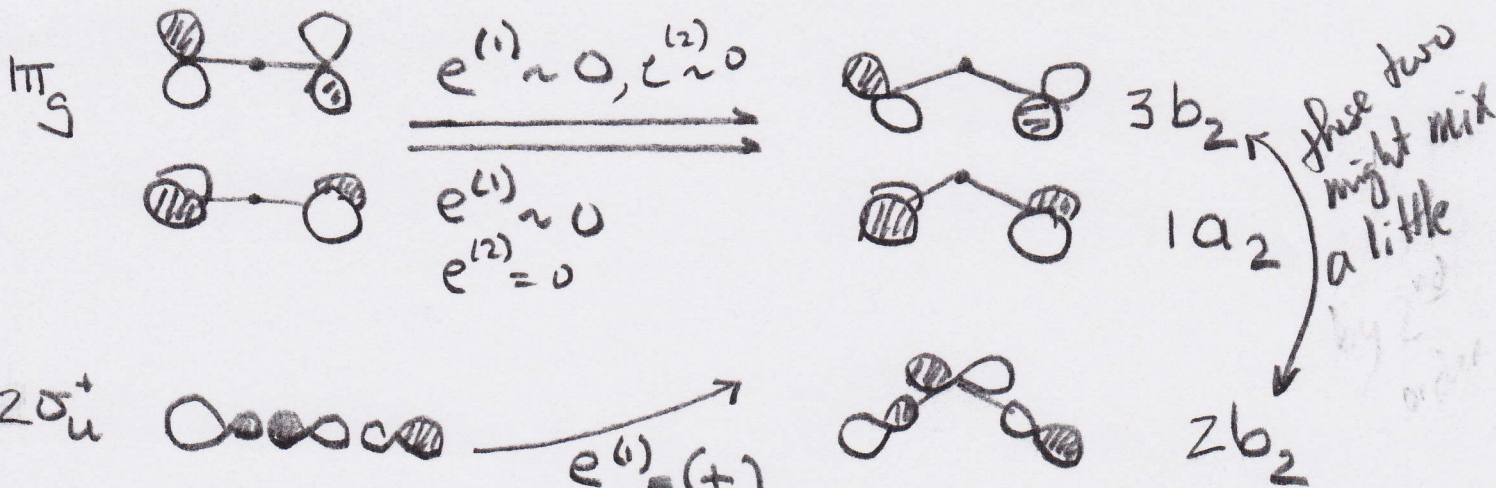
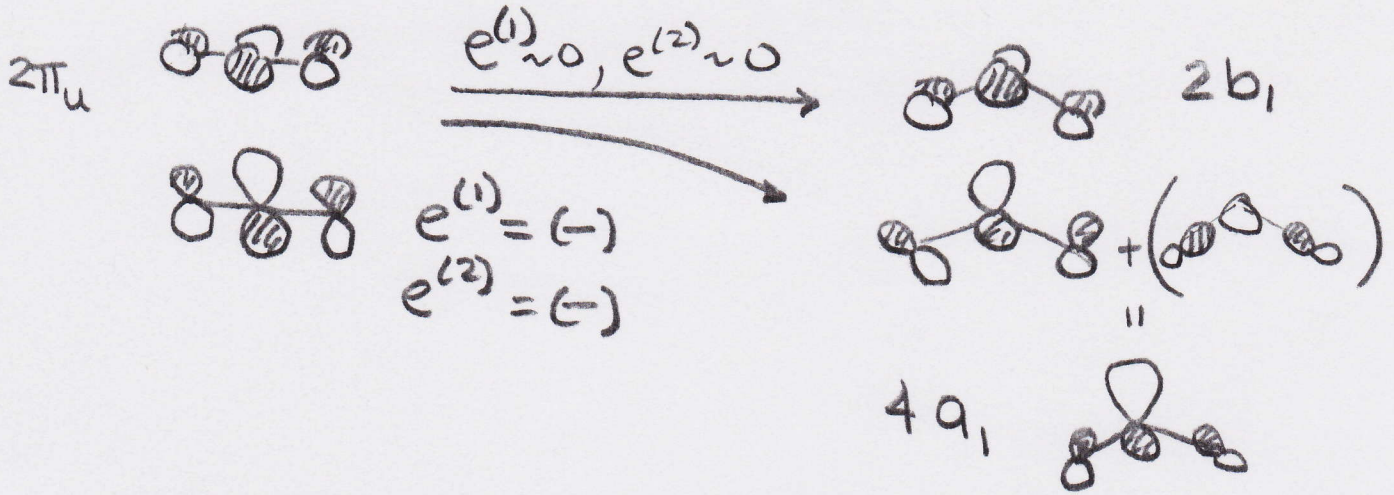


$$\begin{aligned}
 1\sigma_g^+ &\propto \text{[Diagram: two shaded circles in phase]} + (-\text{[Diagram: one shaded circle in phase]}) + [\text{[Diagram: two unshaded circles in phase]}] = \text{[Diagram: three shaded circles in phase]} \\
 1\sigma_u^+ &\propto \text{[Diagram: one shaded circle in phase]} + (-\text{[Diagram: one unshaded circle in phase]}) + [\text{[Diagram: two unshaded circles in phase]}] = \text{[Diagram: one shaded and one unshaded circle in phase]} \\
 2\sigma_g^+ &\propto -\text{[Diagram: one shaded circle in phase]} - (\text{[Diagram: one shaded circle in phase]} + \text{[Diagram: one unshaded circle in phase]}) + (\text{[Diagram: one shaded circle in phase]} + \text{[Diagram: one unshaded circle in phase]}) = \text{[Diagram: two shaded circles in phase]}
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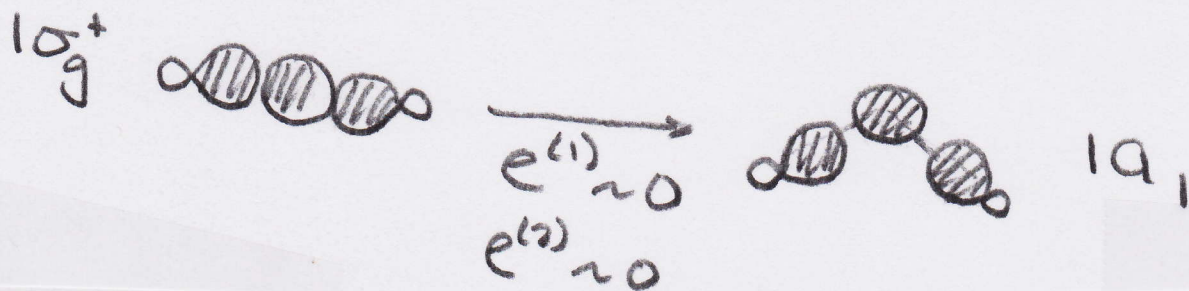
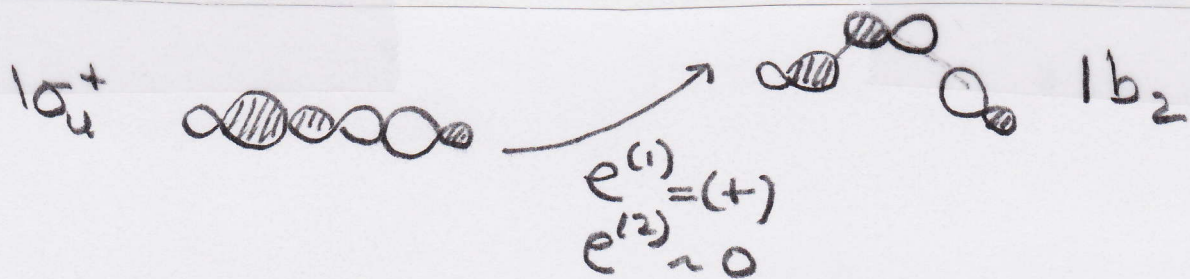


(b) Starting from the highest MO - only orbitals close to each other in energy will be considered for the  $e^{(2)} \hat{e}^{(1)}$  terms:

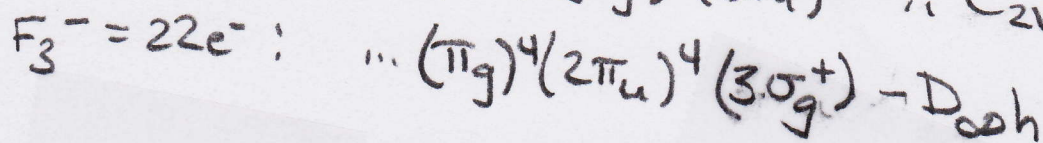
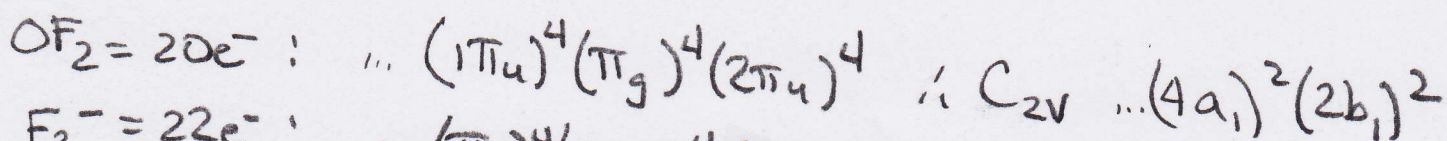
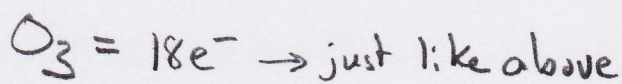
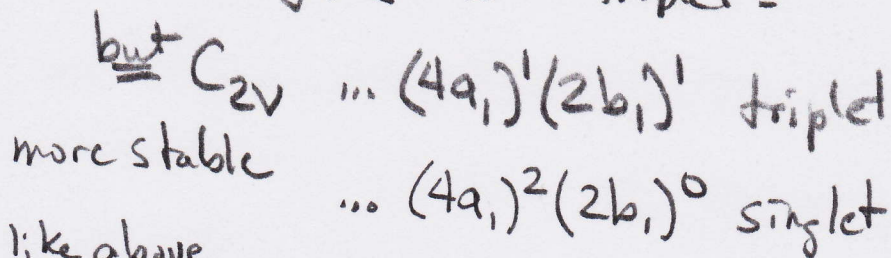
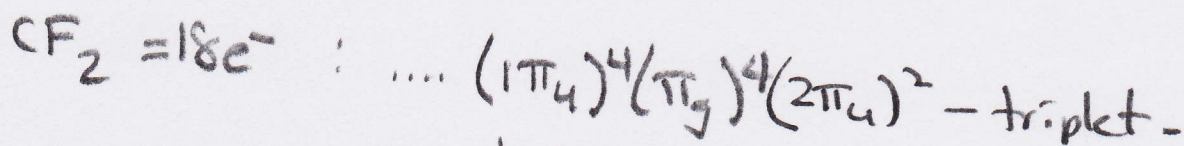
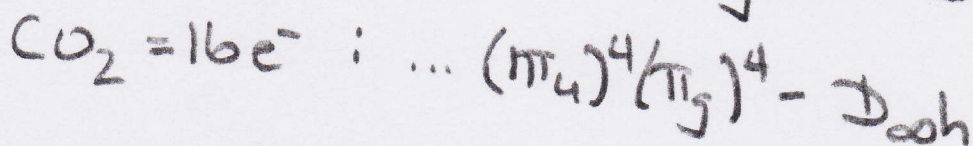
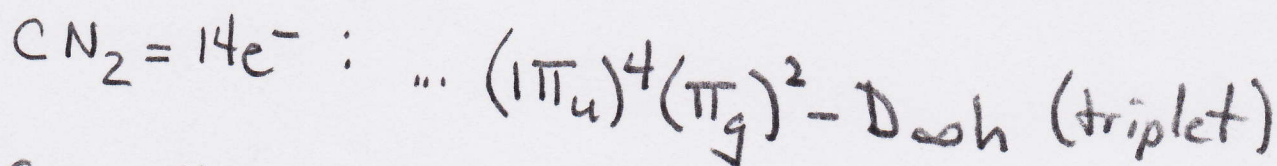
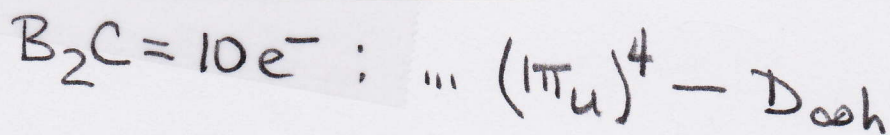


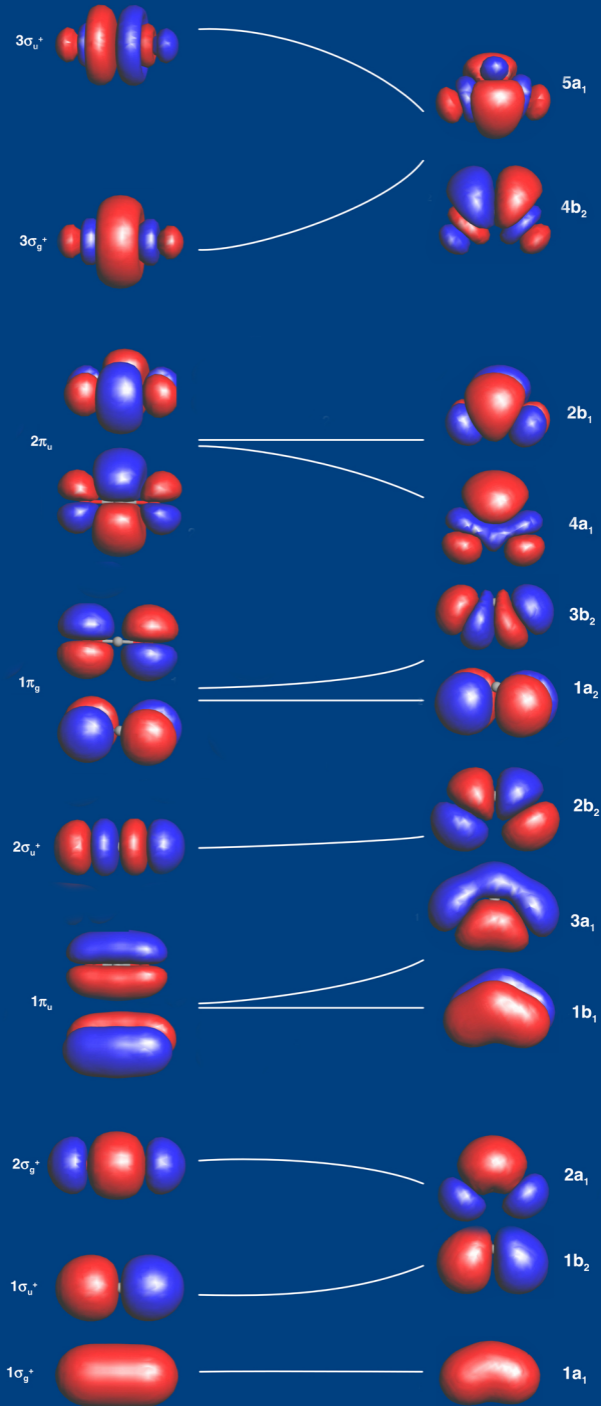




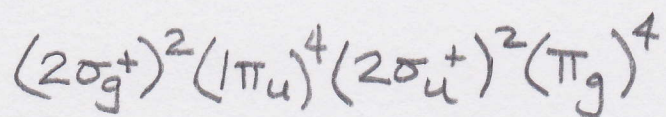


The MO's for both geometries are displayed on the next page. These are extended Hückel calculations.





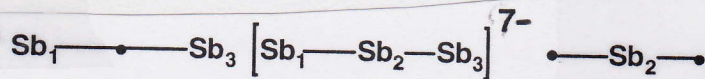
4. Both  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$  are  $16e^-$  molecules and, therefore, from prob. 3 both are linear molecules. Notice from the discussion around Figure 6.10,  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$  exists as  $\text{NNO}$  and not  $\text{NON}$ . From the interaction diagram for problem 3 the four sets of the highest occupied MO's are:



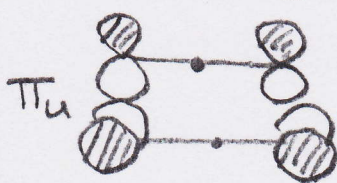
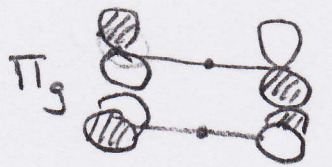
For  $\text{CO}_2$  peaks ① & ③ have approximately twice the area compared to ② & ④ so this is in agreement with the ordering above. Notice that the ionizations from the two  $\sigma$  levels show vibrational progression whereas those in the  $\pi$  system are basically featureless.

For  $\text{N}_2\text{O}$  peaks ① and ② correspond to the  $\pi$  sets (now  $C_{\infty v}$  symmetry) so ③ & ④ are  $\sigma$  MOs. For yourself, work out what happens to the energies for these four MOs on going from  $\text{O-C-O}$  to  $\text{N-N-O}$ . For example, in  $\pi_g$  the density in  $\text{CO}_2$  is localized on the two O atoms, so going to  $\text{NNO}$ , the  $\pi_g \rightarrow 2\pi$  MO should go up in energy, therefore, a lower IP due to the electronegativity difference between N and O.

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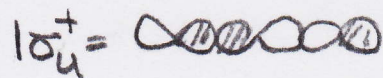
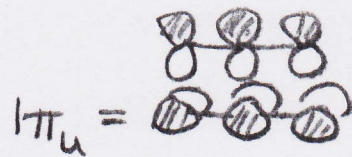
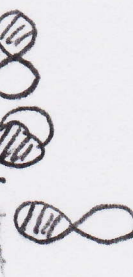
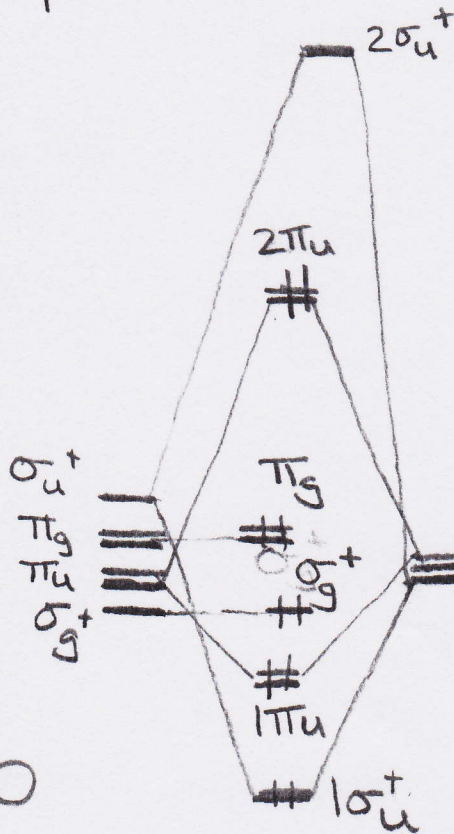
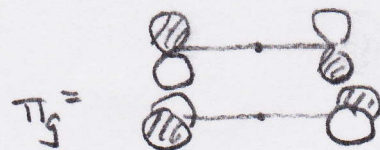
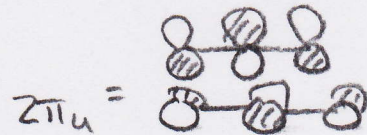


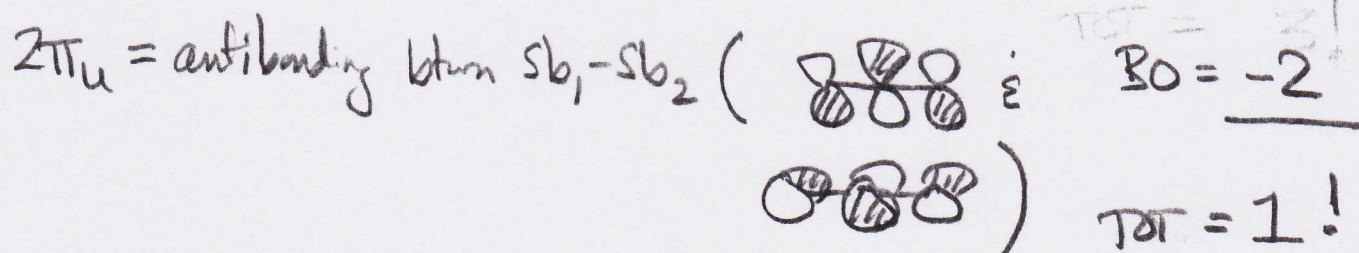
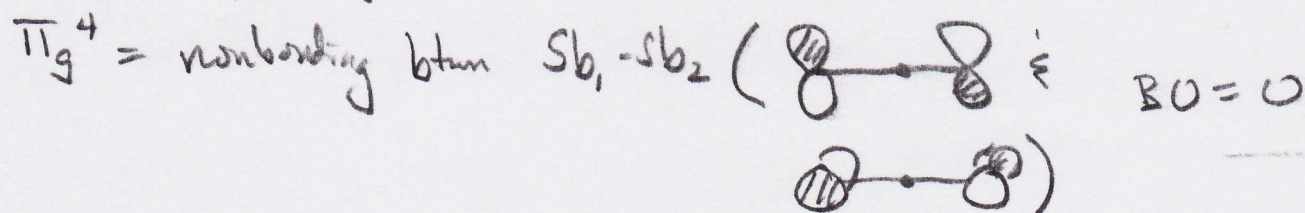
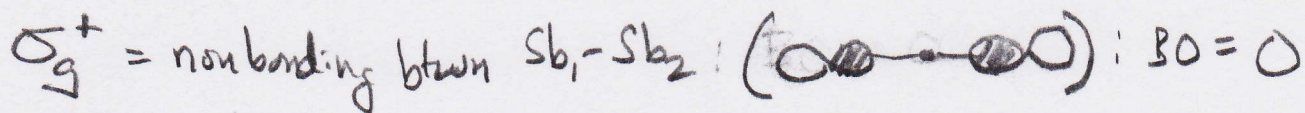
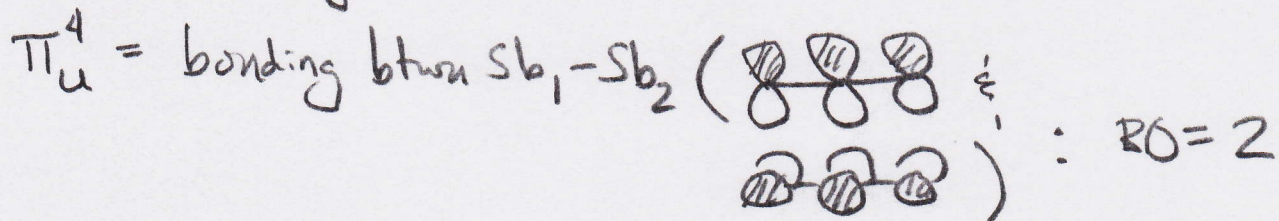
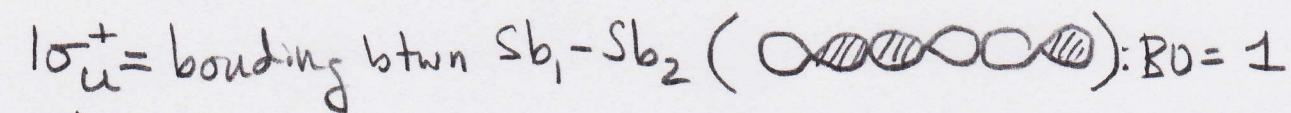
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σ → π overlap!



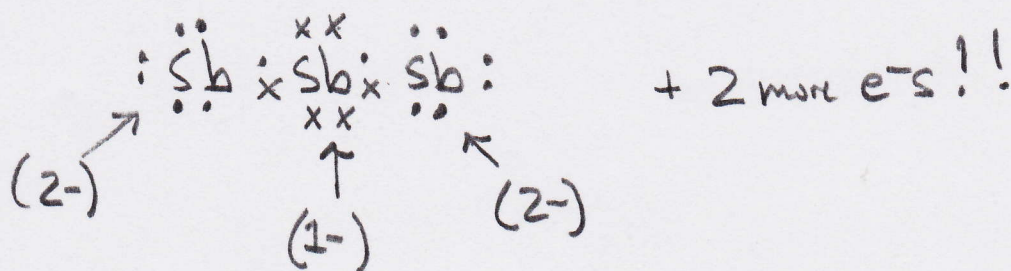
Sb = 5e<sup>-</sup>  
 ∴ Sb<sub>3</sub><sup>7-</sup> = 3 × 5 + 7 = 22e<sup>-</sup>  
 - 6e<sup>-</sup> from Sbs  
16e<sup>-</sup>

∴ (1σ<sub>u</sub><sup>+</sup>)<sup>2</sup> (1π<sub>u</sub>)<sup>4</sup> (σ<sub>g</sub><sup>+</sup>)<sup>2</sup> (π<sub>g</sub>)<sup>4</sup> (2π<sub>u</sub>)<sup>4</sup>

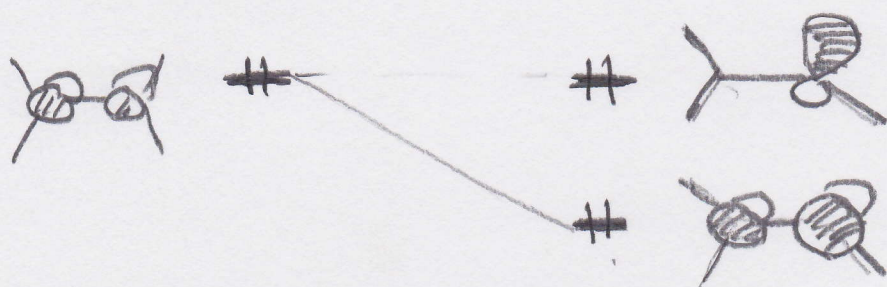




NOTE: electron rich - "hypervalent"



6. The ionization from the  $\pi$  orbital in ethylene is 10.5 eV. For  $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{NH}$  the two ionizations are at 10.5 and 12.4 eV. Peak ① cannot possibly be the  $\pi$  ionization since N is more electronegative than C, the  $\pi$  ionization must increase on going from  $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$  to  $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{NH}$ . So peak ② corresponds to the  $\pi$  and peak ① must be the lone pair on nitrogen, i.e.,

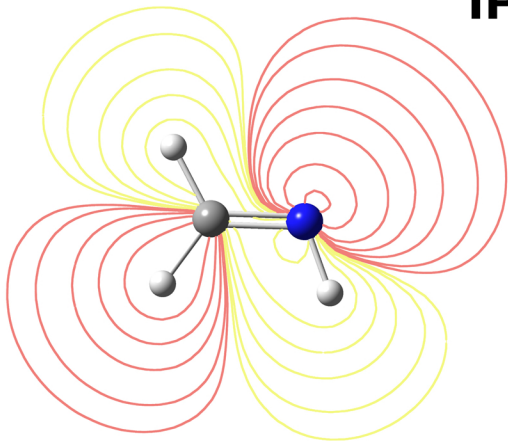


For  $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{PH}$  the two ionizations are at 10.3 eV and 10.7 eV. It's pretty hard to tell which is which because of the lack of detail in the PE spectrum. The MO's for both molecules at the B3LYP 6-311G+2d level are plotted on the next page along with the calculated and experimental energies.

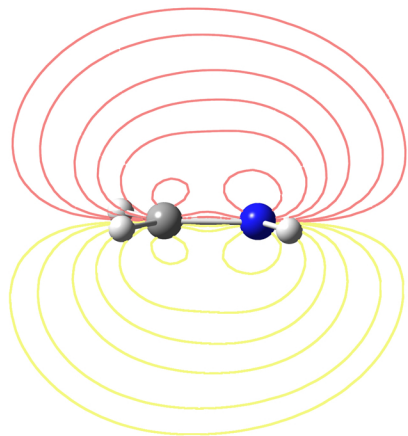
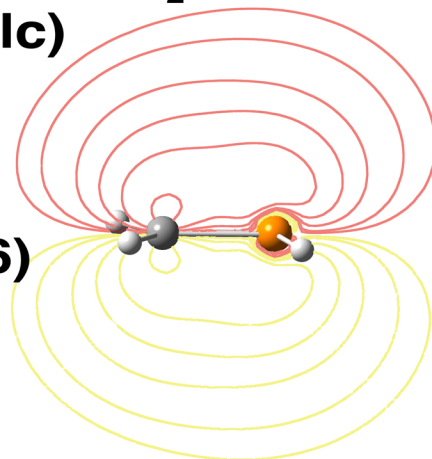
7. The basic ideas in this problem are covered in chapter 10.5. They can be summed up in 10.50 and 10.67. The  $\text{AH}_3$  unit has two A-H bonding MO's,  $\pi_{\text{AH}_3}$ , and two antibonding MO's,  $\pi_{\text{AH}_3}^*$ . Both will interact with a filled p AO of sp hybridized orbital on an adjacent atom with a lone pair. So the interaction is like, Case A or Case B.



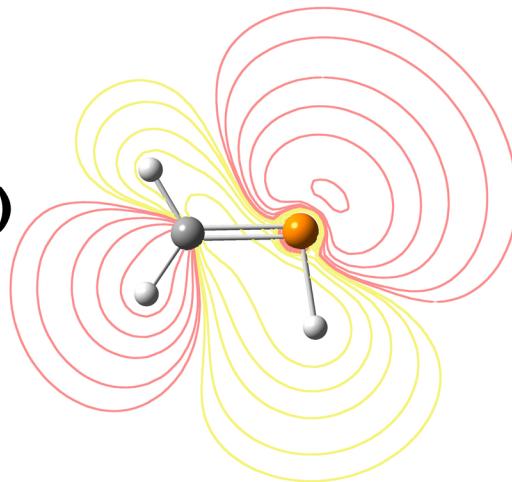
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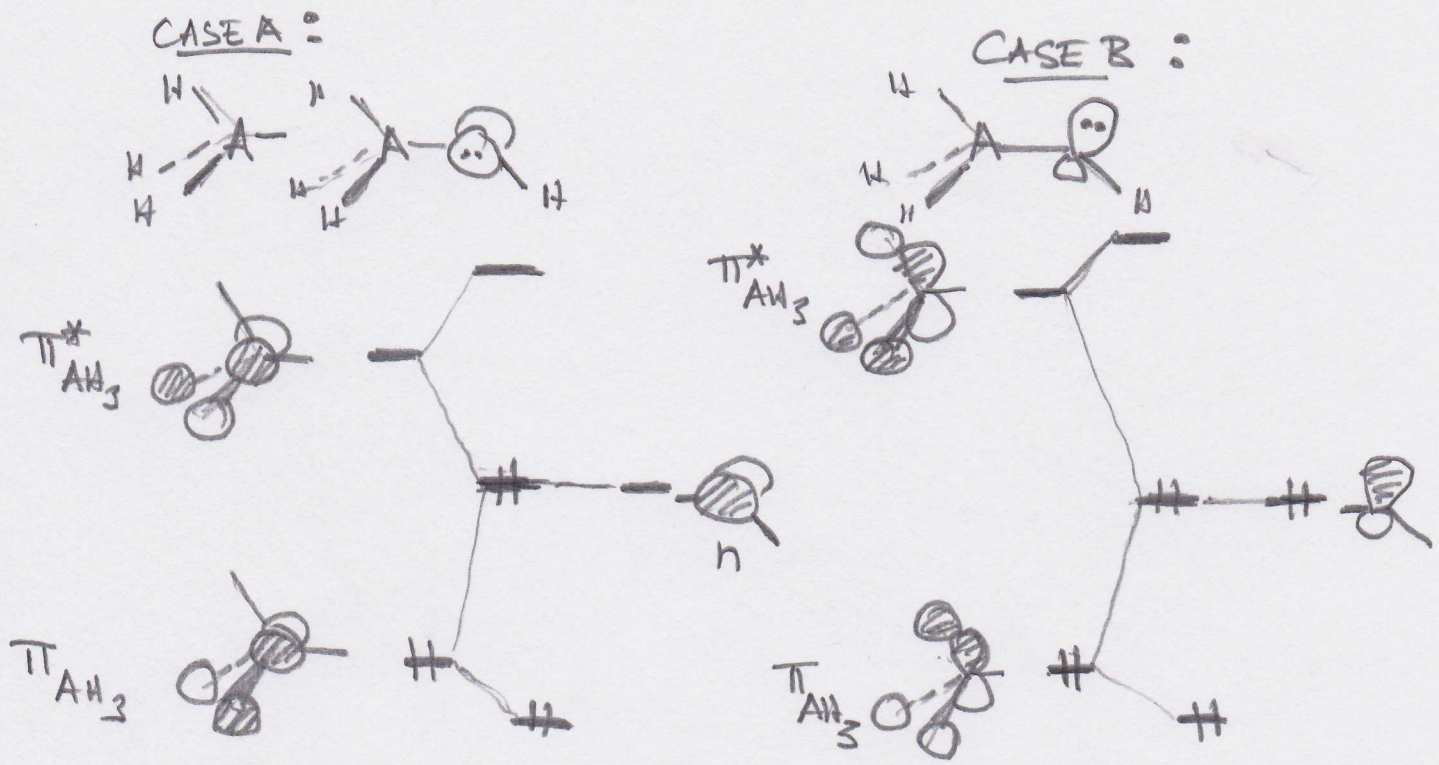
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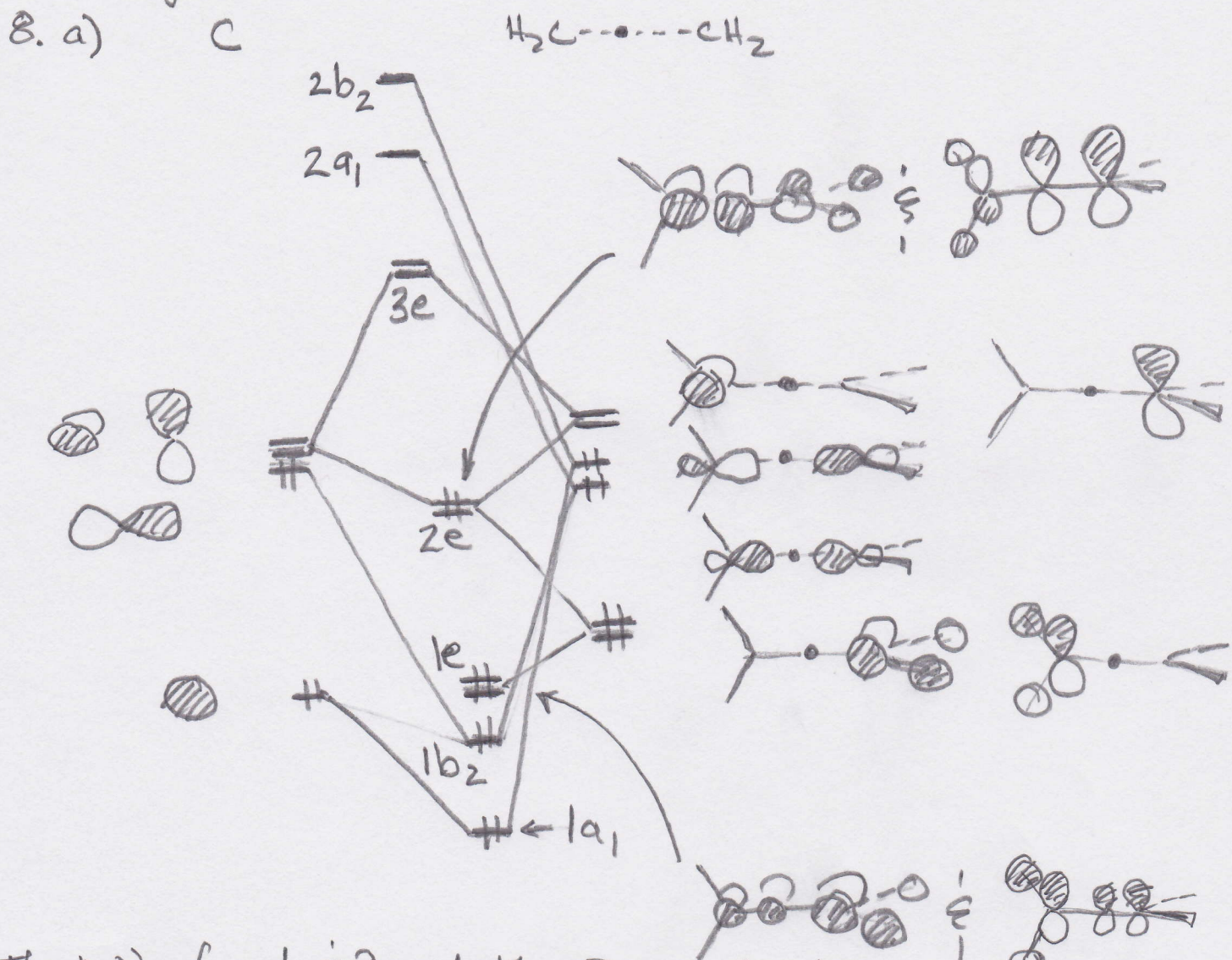
10.7(10.8)



The ionization from the  $b_1$  orbital in  $(H_3A)_2S$  is an example of Case A. With  $CH_3$  the interaction with  $\pi_{AH_3}$  is stronger than that with  $\pi_{AH_3}^*$ . Therefore, the IP is smaller for  $(CH_3)_2S$  than for  $H_2S$ —see problem 7.1. But for  $SiH_3$  the  $\pi_{AH_3}^*$  interaction is much stronger—see 10.67. Consequently the IP increases. For the  $a_1'$  MO in  $(H_3A)_3P$  one has an identical situation now using the three-orbital pattern in Case B. Again the IP increases going from  $(CH_3)_3P$  to  $(SiH_3)_3P$ . Note: this is not because Si has empty d AOs! The IP for the  $b_2$  MO in  $(H_3A)_2S$  goes up on going from  $A=C$  to Si. This is a consequence of the fact that Si is more electropositive than C, i.e.  $H_3Si$  is a stronger



$\sigma$  donor (its  $a_1$  orbital lies at a higher energy). Precisely this same factor occurs for the  $e$  set in the  $(H_3A)_3P$  series. The  $a_1$  MO in  $(H_3A)_2S$  contains both factors the  $a_1$  lone pair on S is stabilized (compared to  $CH_3$ ) for  $H_3Si$  by  $\pi^*_{AH_3}$ . On the other hand the  $\sigma$  donor effect also operates so the net effect is little change in the IP's.



The MO's for  $1e \& 2e$  at the B3LYP level are on the next page.

The shapes for  $a_1$  &  $b_2$  are straight-forward. The difference lies in the e sets - they are not just  $\pi$  &  $\pi^*$  as developed in problem 7.3 but also contain  $CH_2$   $\sigma$  character.

b) Ionization from the  $2e$  set produces the radical cation with  $2E$  symmetry. Therefore, the molecule is subject to a Jahn-Teller distortion (Chapter 7.4). The symmetric direct product

$$e \times e = a_1 + b_1 + b_2.$$

The  $b_1$  mode is especially interesting in that we determined from problem 7.3 that rotation around the C-C axis is stabilizing for molecules with 2 less electrons than in allene. This rotational mode is, in fact, the  $b_1$  mode. Any one of the three  $b_2$  modes will also lift the degeneracy of the  $2E$  state. Computations [see

S. Mahapatra, L.S. Cederbaum and H. Köppel, J. Chem. Phys., 111, 10452 (1999) and references therein] have shown that the  $b_1$  and the asymmetric stretching mode of  $b_2$  symmetry (the middle one shown) are the major players. It is these large geometrical motions that create the unusual fine structure

in the PE spectrum of the  $2e$  band.

c) There is a coupling between the  $2a_1$  and one member of the  $2e$  set. A careful discussion of this may be found in M. Kira, T. Iwamoto, S. Ishida, H. Masuda, T. Abe and C. Kabuto, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 131, 17135 (2009).