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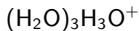
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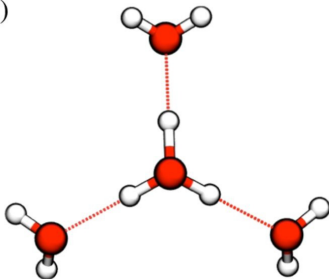
Quantum Physics: applications in chemistry,  
Lectures Notes in Chemistry, F. Gatti, B. Lasorne, H.-D. Meyer and A. Nauts,  
Springer, 2017.

**Full quantum mechanical time-dependent treatment**

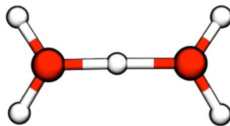


Zundel and Eigen cations: the two “idealized” forms of an excess proton in liquid water. Essential to describe the diffusion of protons in water (Grotthuss mechanism).

(a)



(b)



$\text{H} + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{CH}_3$  Very accurate measurements of the cross sections of molecular collisions (experimental group of Dalian)

Understanding of bi-molecular elementary reactions including all the most subtle quantum effects

Possible treatment of the quantum dynamics of systems with hundreds of atoms with the ML-MCTDH approach

One example on biological system

The Heidelberg Multi-Configuration Time-Dependent Hartree (MCTDH) package  
<http://www.pci.uni-heidelberg.de/cms/mctdh.html>

H.-D. Meyer, U. Manthe, and L.S. Cederbaum, Chem.Phys.Lett. **165** (1990), 73.

Multidimensional Quantum Dynamics : MCTDH Theory and Applications Wiley-VCH  
Edited by H.-D. Meyer, F. Gatti and G. Worth.

The MultiConfiguration Time Dependent Hartree (MCTDH) algorithm is a computational method to propagate wave packets. The MCTDH wavefunction *ansatz* writes

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Psi(q_1, \dots, q_f, t) &\equiv \Psi(Q_1, \dots, Q_p, t), \\
 &= \sum_{m_1}^{n_1} \cdots \sum_{m_p}^{n_p} A_{m_1, \dots, m_p}(t) \prod_{\kappa=1}^p \varphi_{m_\kappa}^{(\kappa)}(Q_\kappa, t), \\
 &= \sum_M A_M \Phi_M,
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

$$\varphi_{j_\kappa}^{(\kappa)}(Q_\kappa, t) = \sum_{l_1=1}^{N_{1,\kappa}} \cdots \sum_{l_d=1}^{N_{d,\kappa}} c_{j_\kappa l_1 \dots l_d}^{(\kappa)}(t) \chi_{l_1}^{(\kappa)}(q_{1,\kappa}) \cdots \chi_{l_d}^{(\kappa)}(q_{d,\kappa}) \tag{2}$$

$$i\dot{A}_M = \sum_L \langle \Phi_M | H | \Phi_L \rangle A_L, \tag{3}$$

$$i\dot{\varphi}^{(\kappa)} = \left(1 - P^{(\kappa)}\right) \left(\rho^{(\kappa)}\right)^{-1} \langle H \rangle^{(\kappa)} \varphi^{(\kappa)}. \tag{4}$$

Sum of products of one-particle operators

$$V(q_{i_1}^{(1)}, \dots, q_{i_p}^{(p)}) = \sum_{j_1=1}^{m_1} \dots \sum_{j_p=1}^{m_p} C_{j_1 \dots j_p} v_{j_1}^{(1)}(q_{i_1}^{(1)}) \dots v_{j_p}^{(p)}(q_{i_p}^{(p)}) \quad (5)$$

The potential is in MCTDH form only when dealing with model problems

MCTDH form (potfit, Multigrid-potfit, Multilayer-potfit)

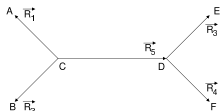
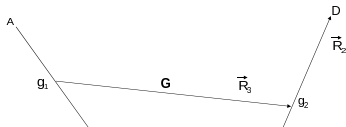
The MCTDH computation time grows linearly with the number of Hamiltonian terms



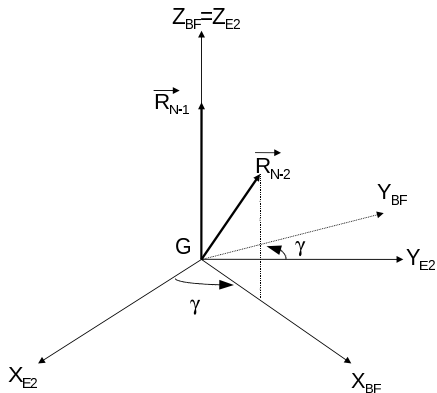
## Polyspherical coordinates

F. Gatti and C. Jung Phys. Rep. (2009).

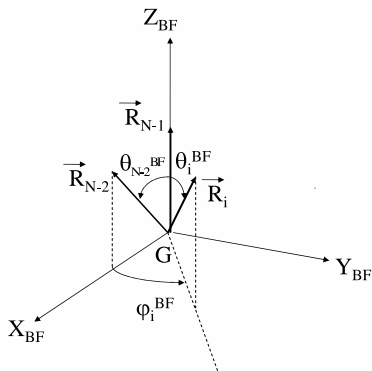
N-atoms, N-1 relative position vectors.



Definition of the Body-Fixed frame.



Definition of the polyspherical coordinates.



$$2\hat{T} = \sum_{i,j=1,\dots,N-1} \sum_{\lambda=x,y,z} \hat{P}_{i\lambda}^\dagger M_{ij} \hat{P}_{j\lambda}$$

$$\hat{P}_i = \hat{P}_{R_i} \vec{e}_i - \frac{\vec{e}_i \times \hat{L}_i}{R_i} \quad (6)$$

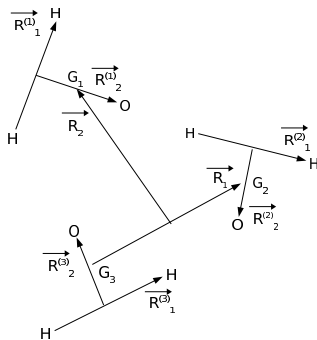
$M_{ij}$  is diagonal for “orthogonal” coordinates (Jacobi, Radau)

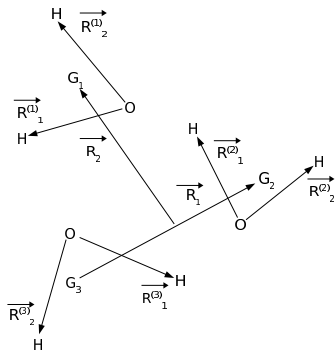
General expression of the KEO.

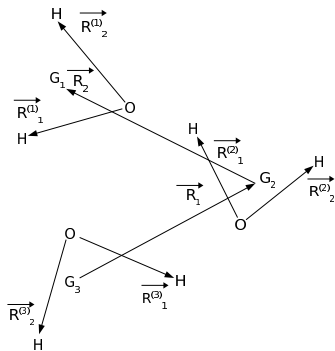
$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{T} = & \sum_{l,m=1}^{3N-6} \frac{\hat{P}_{q_l}^\dagger \Sigma_{q_l q_m} \hat{P}_{q_m}}{2} + \sum_{l=1}^{3N-6} \sum_{\alpha=x,y,z} \frac{\hat{P}_{q_l}^\dagger \sigma_{q_l \alpha} \hat{J}_{\alpha BF} + \hat{J}_{\alpha BF} \sigma_{\alpha q_l} \hat{P}_{q_l}}{2} \\
 & + \sum_{\alpha=x,y,z} \sum_{\beta=x,y,z} \frac{\hat{J}_{\alpha BF} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta} \hat{J}_{\beta BF} + \hat{J}_{\beta BF} \Gamma_{\beta\alpha} \hat{J}_{\alpha BF}}{2}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

$$\hat{P}_{q_i} = \frac{1}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_i}$$

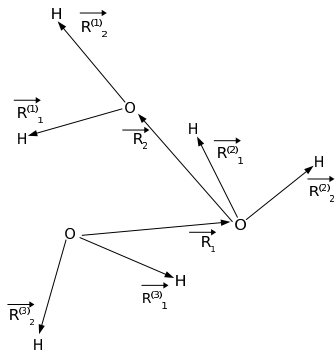
$$M_{ij} \left( \hat{P}_{\varphi_i} \frac{\cos \varphi_i \cos \varphi_j}{R_i R_j \sin \theta_i \sin \theta_j} \hat{P}_{\varphi_j} + \hat{P}_{\varphi_j} \frac{\cos \varphi_i \cos \varphi_j}{R_i R_j \sin \theta_i \sin \theta_j} \hat{P}_{\varphi_i} \right) \tag{8}$$











Singularities.

$$-\frac{1}{2mR^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2} \quad (9)$$

An appropriate basis set that removes the singularities: a basis set of spherical harmonics:  
2 dimensional DVR.

For the angular momentum of a body: Wigner 3D DVR

Several advantages:

always a sum of products of one-dimensional operators

flexibility

one knows the solution if singularities appear

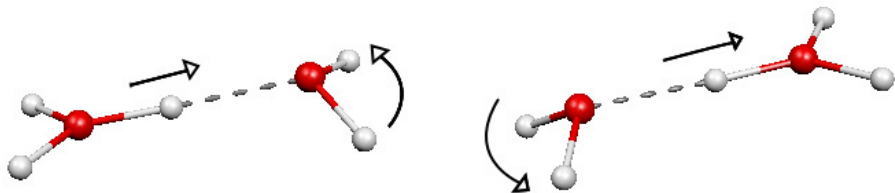
Disadvantages:

restrictions in the definition of the coordinates in particular for the BF frame

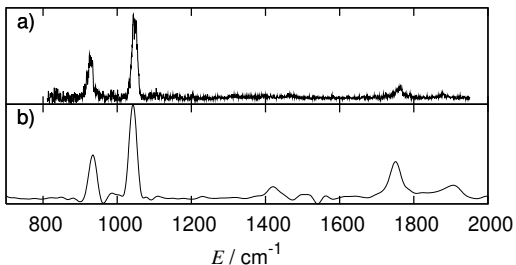
can create some artificial correlation and break the symmetry

TANA Package

M. Dong, L. Joubert Doriol, H.-D. Meyer, A. Nauts F. Gatti , D. Lauvergnat JCP 139  
(2013) 204107



Strong coupling (Fermi resonance) between the proton-transfer motion and the wagging (or pyramidalization) bending mode of vibration. Description in terms of curvilinear (involving angles) coordinates.



- O. Vendrell, F. Gatti, and H.-D. Meyer, *Angewandte Chemie Int. Ed (VIP)* 46 (2007) 6918. "Dynamics and Infrared Spectroscopy of the Protonated Water Dimer."  
 S. S. Xantheas, *Nature* 457 (2009) 673.



MCTDH operator file provided by the TANA program

D. Lauvergnat (Orsay)

4370 terms



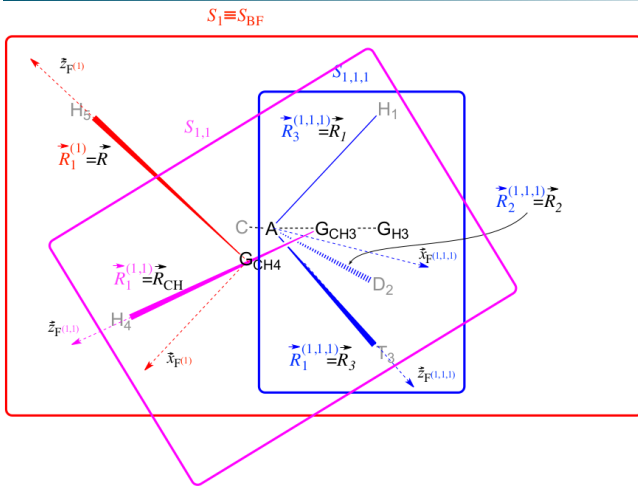


Collaboration with Dong-Hui Zhang (Dalian)

Goal : Accurate calculations of the cross-sections of H+CH<sub>4</sub>

PODVR approach for the degrees of freedom

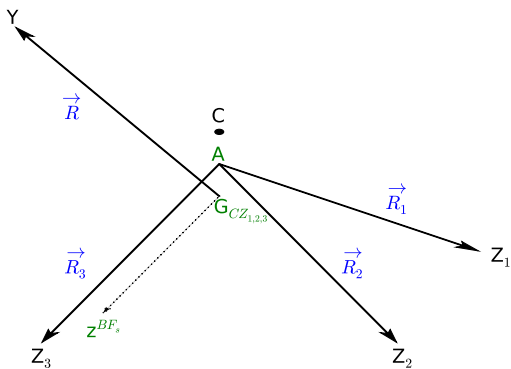
Not too many terms: necessity to be 100 % sure that the operator is perfectly implemented in the code of Dalian



Other coordinates: Evenhuis C, Nyman G, Manthe U (2007) Journal of Chemical Physics 127(14): 144302/ Schapers D, Zhao B, Manthe U Chem. Phys. 509 (2009) 37.

Application to H + CHD<sub>3</sub>

C<sub>3v</sub> symmetry and several coordinate transformations to avoid any singularity



Comparison with Xiao-Gang Wang and T. Carrington  
 (Eckhart frame, contraction for the bend and stretch motions, use of symmetry).

Basis set		R <sub>1</sub> ,R <sub>2</sub> ,R <sub>3</sub>	$\theta_1,\theta_2$	$\varphi$	$\beta_s$	$\gamma_s$	R
	PODVR	7	7	7	7	7	7
State	Exp.	SSDP		NEKCB			
(5,1)F <sub>1</sub>	157.124	157.094 ± 0.002		157.088			
(5,1)F <sub>2</sub>	157.128	157.102 ± 0.005		157.092			
(5,1)E	157.137	157.115 ± 0.008		157.101			
(5,2)F <sub>2</sub>	157.139	157.137 ± 0.014		157.103			

Z. Zhao *et al.* JCP 148 (2018) 074113

Vib	(K)Sym	Exp.	SSDP	NEKCB
(002000)A <sub>1</sub>	(1)E	2606.65	2608.18 ± 0.01	2606.08
(000011)E	(1)E	2629.05	2629.70 ± 0.01	2628.86
(000011)E	(0)E	2631.27	2631.91 ± 0.67	2631.06
(000011)A <sub>1</sub>	(1)E	2634.30	2634.65 ± 0.01	2634.11
(000011)E	(1)A <sub>2</sub>	2636.12	2637.74	2635.90
(000011)E	(1)A <sub>1</sub>	2636.12	2637.75	2635.90
(000011)A <sub>1</sub>	(0)A <sub>2</sub>	2640.99	2642.75	2640.81
(000011)A <sub>2</sub>	(0)A <sub>1</sub>	2642.69	2643.34	2642.49
(000011)A <sub>2</sub>	(1)E	2652.04	2653.09 ± 0.03	2651.85
(001010)E	(1)E	2782.51	2782.69 ± 0.00	2782.27
(001010)E	(0)E	2783.97	2784.19 ± 0.58	2783.73
(001010)E	(1)A <sub>1</sub>	2788.17	2788.41	2787.94
(001010)E	(1)A <sub>2</sub>	2788.26	2788.50	2788.02

12 D results to be published

Reaction probabilities for  $\text{H} + \text{CH}_4 \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + \text{CH}_3$

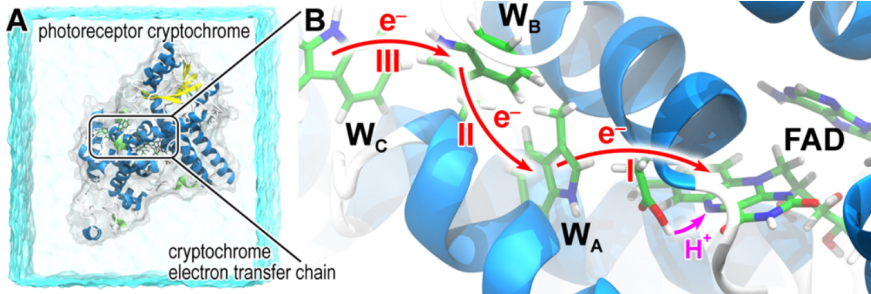
Zhaojun Zhang and Dong-Hui Zhang (Dalian)

$$\Psi(q_1, q_2, q_3, t) = \sum_{j_1=1}^{n_1} \sum_{j_2=1}^{n_2} \sum_{j_3=1}^{n_3} A_{j_1, j_2, j_3}(t) \varphi_{j_1}^{(1)}(q_1, t) \varphi_{j_2}^{(2)}(q_2, t) \varphi_{j_3}^{(3)}(q_3, t)$$

$$\varphi_{j_1}^{(1)}(q_1, t) = \sum_{i_1=1}^{N_1} c_{i_1}^{(1, j_1)}(t) \chi_{i_1}^{(1)}(q_1)$$

$$\Psi(q_1, q_2, q_3, t) = \sum_{j_{12}=1}^{n_{12}} \sum_{j_3=1}^{n_3} A_{j_{12}, j_3}(t) \varphi_{j_{12}}^{(12)}(q_1, q_2, t) \varphi_{j_3}^{(3)}(q_3, t)$$

$$\varphi_{j_{12}}^{(12)}(q_1, q_2, t) = \sum_{k_1=1}^{n_1} \sum_{k_2=1}^{n_2} B_{k_1, k_2}^{(12, j_{12})}(t) \xi_{k_1}^{(1)}(q_1, t) \xi_{k_2}^{(2)}(q_2, t)$$

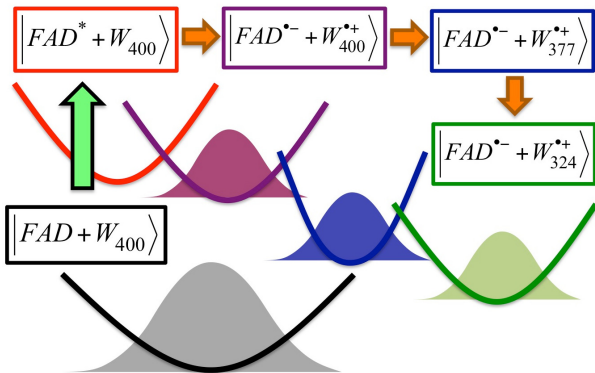


### Spin-Boson Models

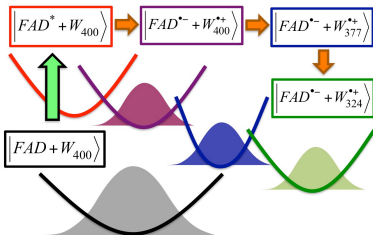
CDFT QM/MM calculations 110 000 atom  
including 34 000 water molecules, 298.15 K

Parameters provided by QM/MM calculations (Aurélien de la Lande and M. Desouter Lecomte)





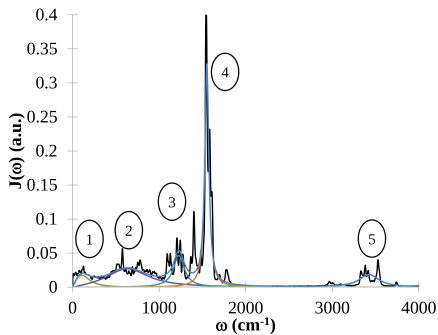
Absorption of light by the chromophore Flavin Adenine Dinucleotide (FAD) triggers an electron transfer to tryptophan residue



Time constant $\tau$ (ps)	
Electron transfer	Experiment [1]
$W_{400} \rightarrow \text{FAD}$	0.4
$W_{377} \rightarrow W_{400}^+$	4 - 15
$W_{324} \rightarrow W_{377}^+$	30 - 50

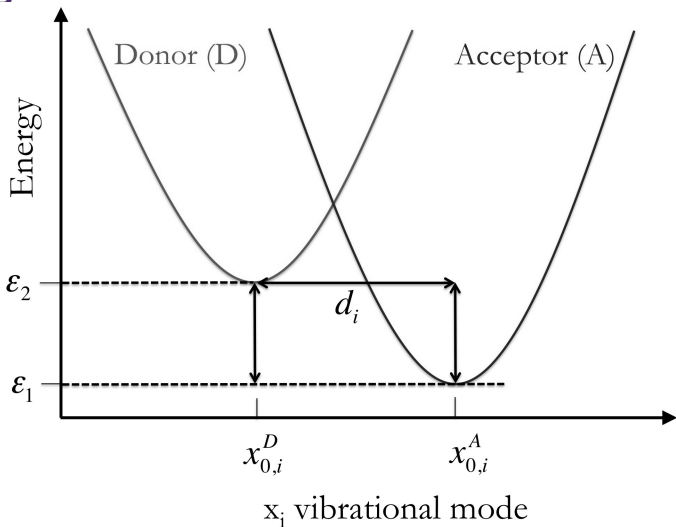
Difficulty to distinguish ET and vibrational cooling in the experiments

[1] Immeln *et al* JACS 134 (2012) 12536



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$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_S + \hat{H}_B + \hat{H}_{BS}$$

$$\hat{H}_S = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 & H_{12} \\ H_{12} & \epsilon_2 \end{bmatrix} = \epsilon_1 |D\rangle \langle D| + \epsilon_2 |A\rangle \langle A| + H_{12}(|D\rangle \langle A| + |A\rangle \langle D|)$$

$$\hat{H}_B = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\hbar \omega_i^D}{2} (\hat{p}_i^2 + \hat{x}_i^2) |D\rangle \langle D| + \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\hbar \omega_i^A}{2} (\hat{p}_i^2 + \hat{x}_i^2) |A\rangle \langle A|$$

$$\hat{H}_{BS} = \sum_{i=1}^N k_i^D x_i |D\rangle \langle D| + \sum_{i=1}^N k_i^A x_i |A\rangle \langle A|$$

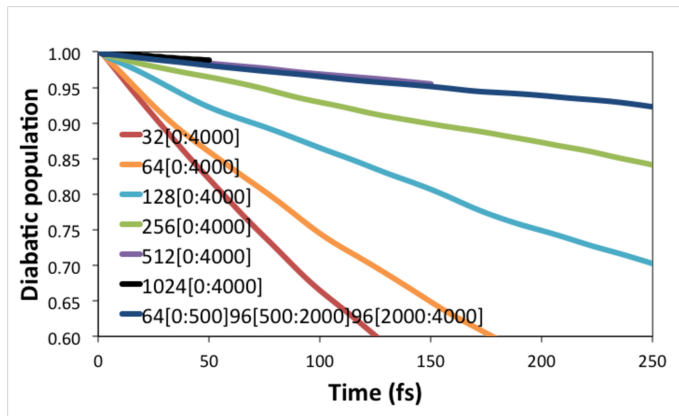
Difficulty to define the initial condition: two extreme cases  
This initial state is thermalized

Slow bath relaxation:

Vertical instantaneous transition for the electronic degrees of freedom  
Bath Centered on the ground state curve

Fast bath relaxation:

Bath relaxed onto the individual ET electronic state



Experiment (ps)	Marcus Theory	HEOM	This work (fast)
4 - 15	4.97	0.82	3.3

### HEOM : Hierarchical Equations of Motions

Fast and slow bath relaxations: in reality mixed scenario depending on the bath modes

Process seems to be dominated by low-frequency modes

Low-frequency modes partly linked to the molecules of water, which can relax fast

### Full ab initio approach

The process strongly depends on the differences in the relaxation time-scale between electronic and nuclear (bath) degrees of freedom



Necessity to have the potential and in the adapted form

Difficult for high accuracy (time-dependent)

Very slow processes: very difficult

Efficient: fast quantum process involving many eigenstates

Treatment of Fermionic and Bosonic systems

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