

# Molecular Quantum Mechanics

many-electron Schrödinger equation

$$H^{\text{eln}} \Psi^{\text{eln}}(\mathbf{r}) = E \Psi^{\text{eln}}(\mathbf{r})$$

$$H = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_e} \sum_i^{n_e} \nabla_i^2 + \sum_i^{n_e} \sum_{j>i}^{n_e} \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}} - \sum_i^{n_e} \sum_A^{N_{\text{QM}}} \frac{e^2 Z_A}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{iA}}$$

kinetic energy

electron-electron

electron-nuclei

$$+ \sum_A^{N_{\text{QM}}} \sum_{B>A}^{N_{\text{QM}}} \frac{e^2 Z_A Z_B}{4\pi\epsilon_0 R_{AB}}$$

nuclei-nuclei

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approaches for approximating  $\Psi_e$

Hartree-Fock and beyond (ab initio)

molecular orbitals

systematic improvement

precise, and only accurate with impossible computational effort

Density functional theory (semi-empirical)

many electron density

formally exact, but in practice not as no correct functional exists

precise, but not accurate

Quantum Monte Carlo (ab initio)

sample multi-dimensional wavefunction by Monte Carlo

quite accurate, but not precise

# Hartree-Fock Theory

Solving electronic structure problem on computers

Hartree product of non-interacting electrons

mean field

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Pauli Principle

slater determinant of molecular orbitals

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independent electrons

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one-electron wave functions (molecular orbitals)

$$h_i(\mathbf{r})\phi_i(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_i\phi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

orthonormal

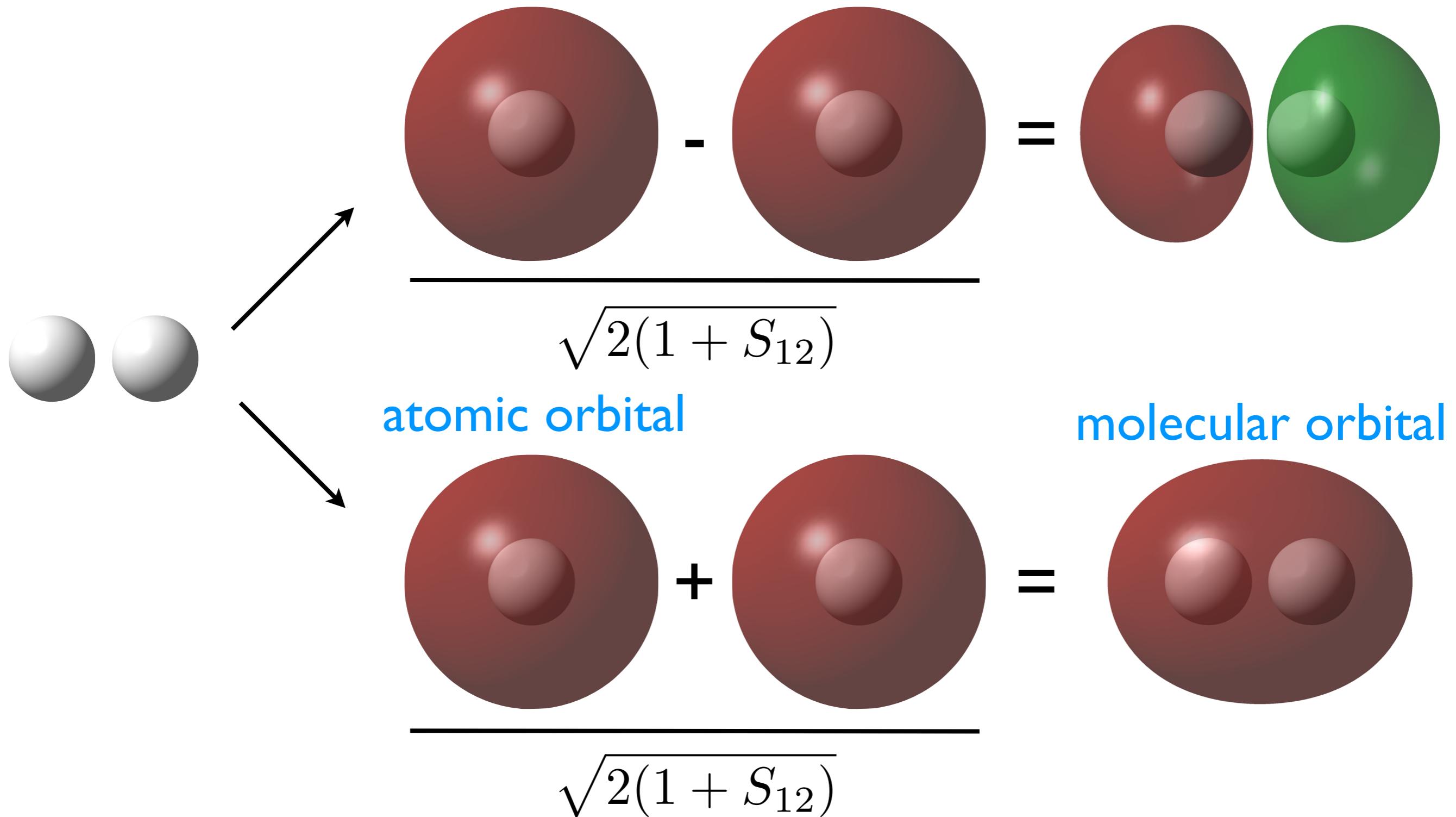
$$\int \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r})\phi_j(\mathbf{r})d\mathbf{r} = \delta_{ij}$$

Hartree product of  $n$  distinguishable electrons

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# Hydrogen molecule

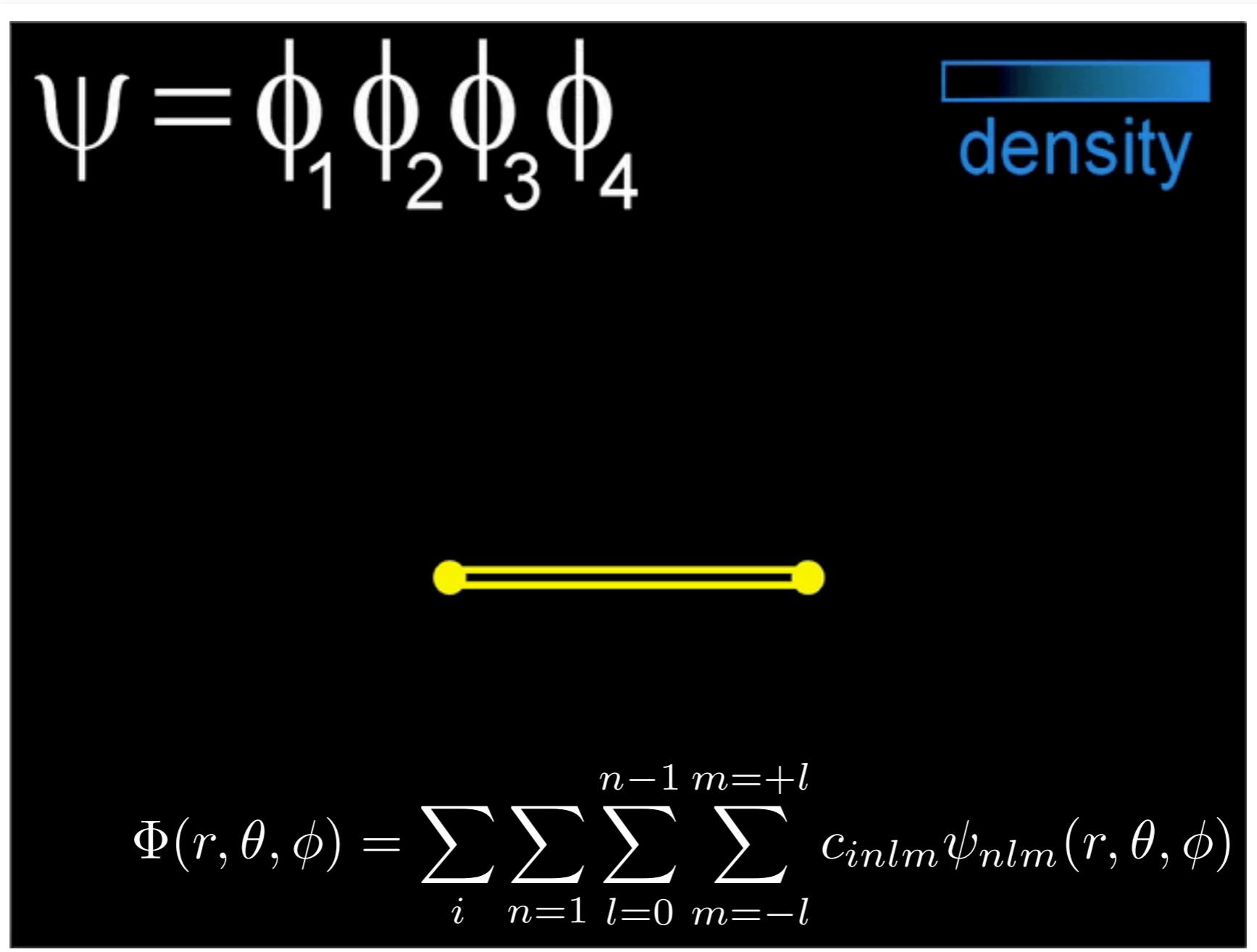
Linear Combination of single hydrogen orbitals



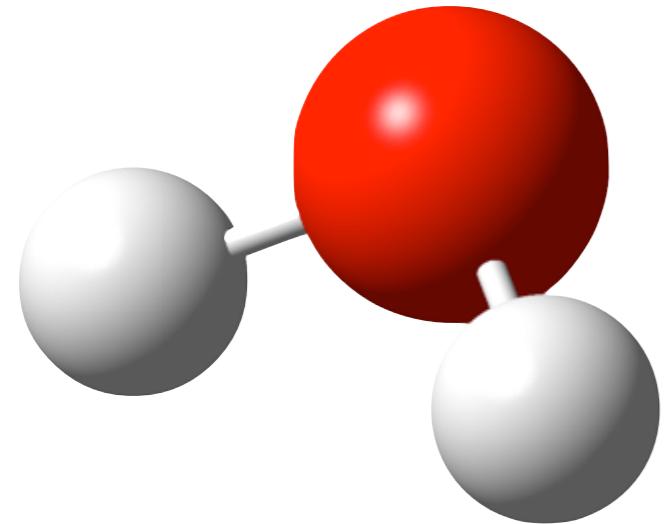
# simplified Hartree-Fock theory

mean field approach

vary orbitals until self-consistency (SCF)



# Water molecule



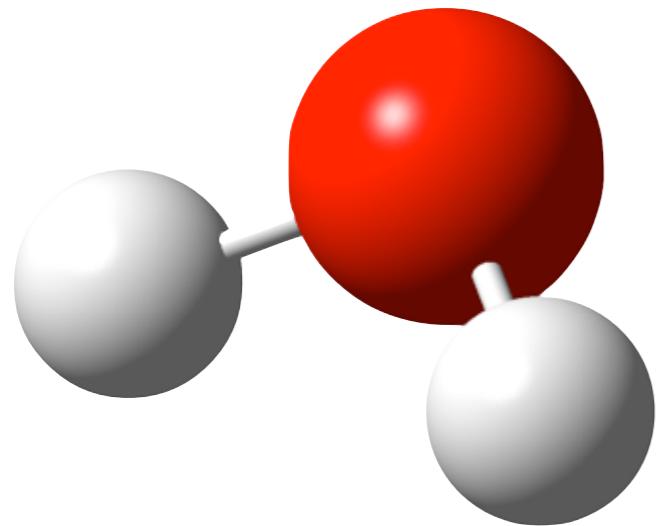
2 H<sup>+</sup>

1 O<sup>8+</sup>

10 electrons

10 molecular orbitals

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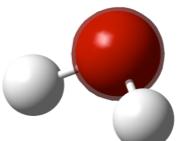
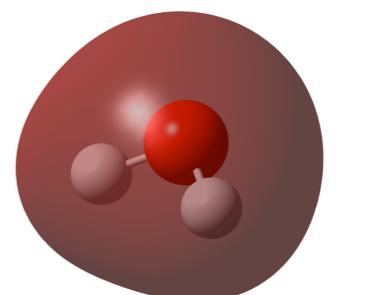
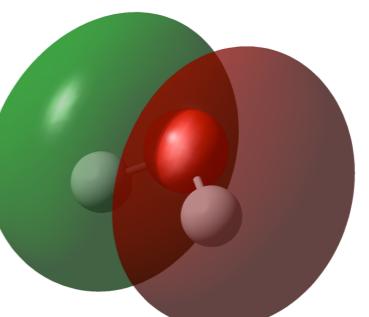
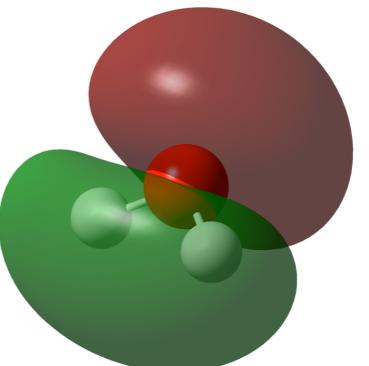
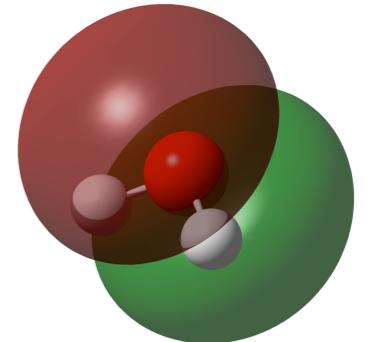
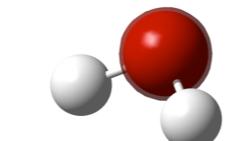
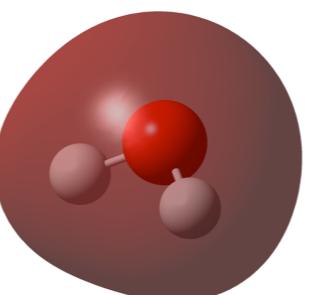
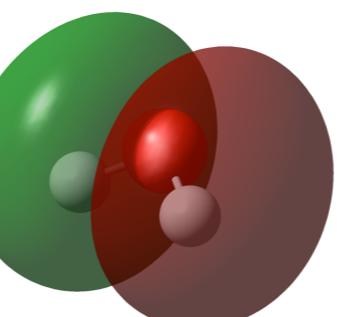
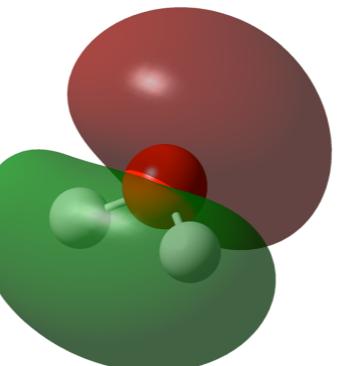
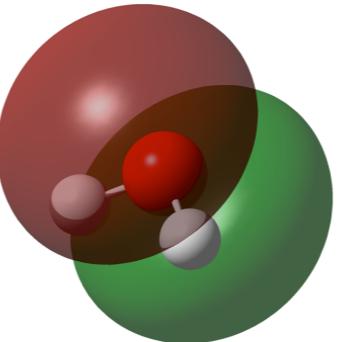


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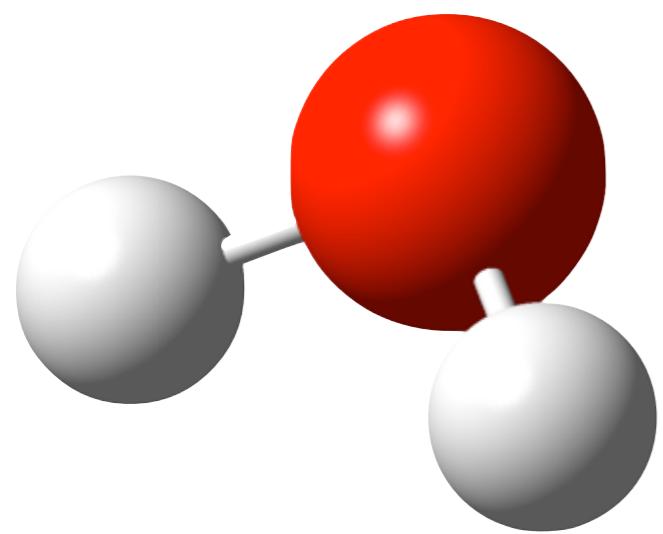
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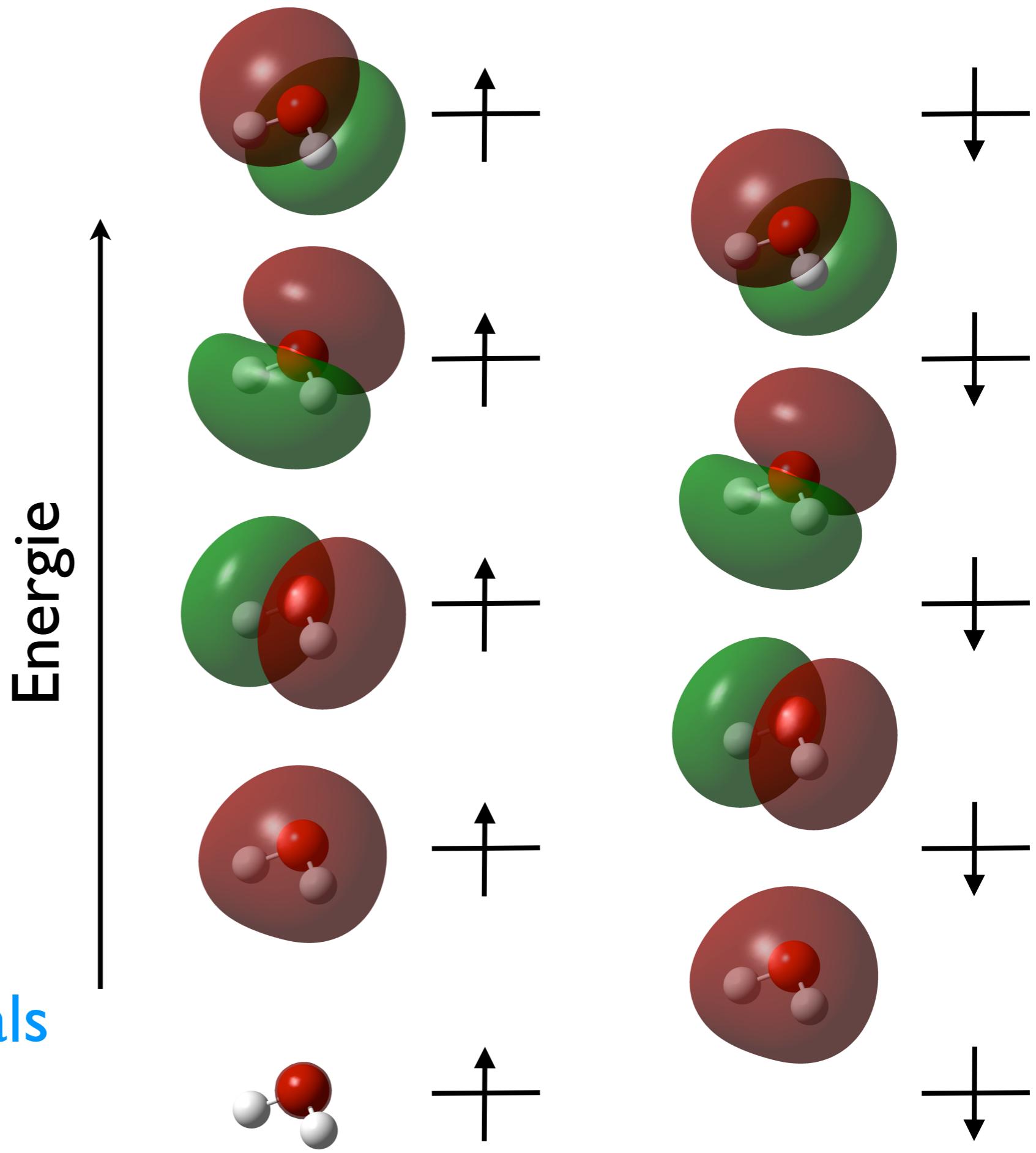


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indistinguishable electrons

fermions with 3 spatial and 1 spin coordinate (4D)

$$\{\mathbf{x}\} = \{\mathbf{r}, s\}$$

Pauli principle

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = -\Psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_i, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)$$

spin orbitals

$$\varphi_i(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \phi_i(\mathbf{r})\alpha(s) \\ \phi_i(\mathbf{r})\beta(s) \end{cases}$$

spin functions

$$\int \alpha(s)\beta(s)ds = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

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i.e. 2 electrons

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$n$  electrons: Slater determinant

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molecular orbitals: spatial & spin part

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joint/pair probability density

$$P(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \int \int P(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) ds_1 ds_2$$

$$= \int \int \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, s_1, s_2) \Psi^*(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, s_1, s_2) ds_1 ds_2$$

# Hartree-Fock Theory for $n$ electrons

joint/pair probability

opposite spin

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = & \frac{1}{2} \int \int \phi_1^*(\mathbf{r}_1) \alpha^*(s_1) \phi_2^*(\mathbf{r}_2) \beta^*(s_2) \phi_1(\mathbf{r}_1) \alpha(s_1) \phi_2(\mathbf{r}_2) \beta(s_2) ds_1 ds_2 - \\ & \frac{1}{2} \int \int \phi_1^*(\mathbf{r}_1) \alpha^*(s_1) \phi_2^*(\mathbf{r}_2) \beta^*(s_2) \phi_2(\mathbf{r}_1) \beta(s_1) \phi_1(\mathbf{r}_2) \alpha(s_2) ds_1 ds_2 - \\ & \frac{1}{2} \int \int \phi_2^*(\mathbf{r}_1) \beta^*(s_1) \phi_1^*(\mathbf{r}_2) \alpha^*(s_2) \phi_1(\mathbf{r}_1) \alpha(s_1) \phi_2(\mathbf{r}_2) \beta(s_2) ds_1 ds_2 + \\ & \frac{1}{2} \int \int \phi_2^*(\mathbf{r}_1) \beta^*(s_1) \phi_1^*(\mathbf{r}_2) \alpha^*(s_2) \phi_2(\mathbf{r}_1) \beta(s_1) \phi_1(\mathbf{r}_2) \alpha(s_2) ds_1 ds_2 \end{aligned}$$

uncorrelated

$$P(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ |\phi_1(\mathbf{r}_1)|^2 |\phi_2(\mathbf{r}_2)|^2 + |\phi_2(\mathbf{r}_1)|^2 |\phi_1(\mathbf{r}_2)|^2 \right]$$

averaged un-correlated probabilities

same spatial orbital:

$$P(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) = |\phi_1(\mathbf{r}_1)|^2 |\phi_1(\mathbf{r}_2)|^2 \geq 0$$

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Pauli repulsion

$$P^{\alpha\alpha}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2) < P^{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$$

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same orbital?

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Pauli exclusion: Fermi hole