

Jahn-Teller effect among electronic resonant states of H_3

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Born-Oppenheimer approximation - electrons move fast, nuclei moves slow

Step 1. Solving for the electronic Hamiltonian

$$V_i(Q) = \langle \phi_i | \mathcal{H}_{el} | \phi_i \rangle - \text{adiabatic potential energy curves/surface}$$

Step 2. Hamiltonian describing the nuclei

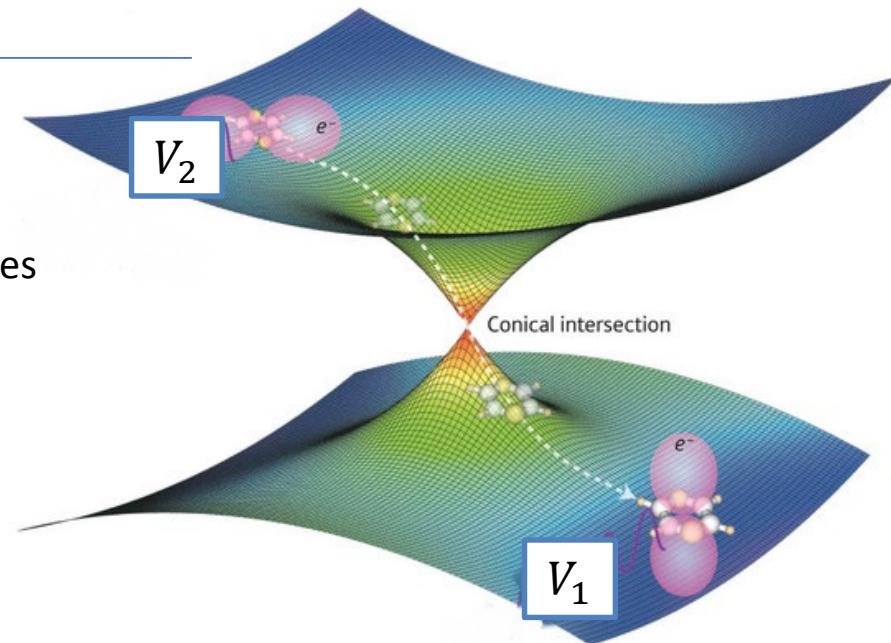
$$\mathcal{H} = T_N + V_i + F(\tau)$$

$$\text{Non-adiabatic coupling: } \tau_{ij}(Q) = \langle \phi_i | \nabla | \phi_j \rangle$$

Conical Intersection

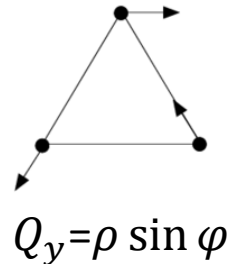
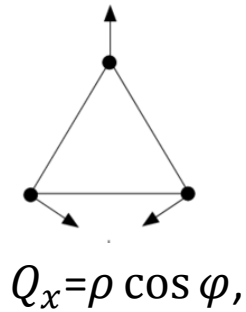
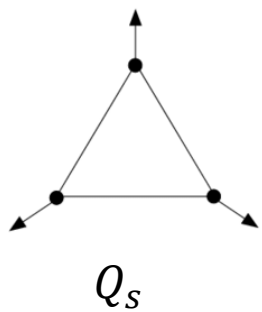
- Degeneracy in the potential energy surfaces
- Non-radiative transitions between electronic states
- The non-adiabatic coupling diverges
- Geometric phase (Berry phase)

$$\oint \langle \phi_i | \nabla | \phi_i \rangle dQ = \pi \quad | \phi_i \rangle \rightarrow -| \phi_i \rangle$$



The Jahn-Teller effect (1937)

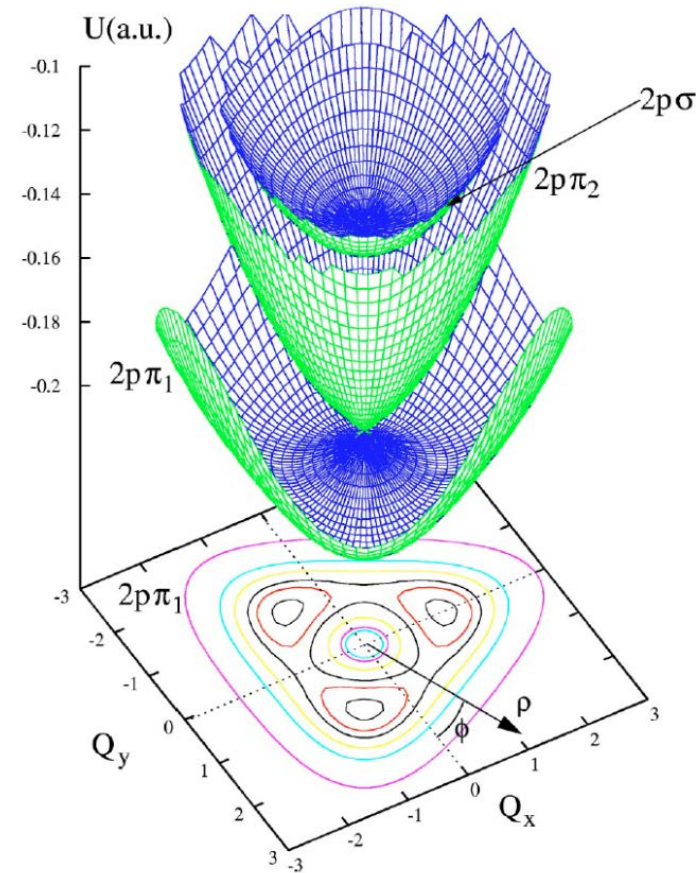
The symmetric configuration for degenerate electronic states are not stable



$$\hat{V} = \mathbf{1}(V_E + \delta_E \rho^2) + k\rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & -\cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} + g\rho^2 \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & -\sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & -\cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

Implications:

- Conical intersection at $\rho = 0$
- The non-adiabatic coupling diverges
- Non trivial geometric phase

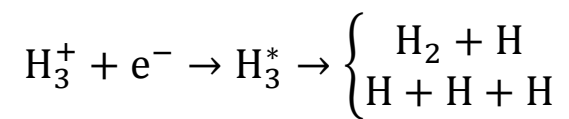


Adiabatic potential energy surfaces



Why H_3 ?

Destruction mechanism of H_3^+





Resonant electronic states of H_3

(~ Short lived states)

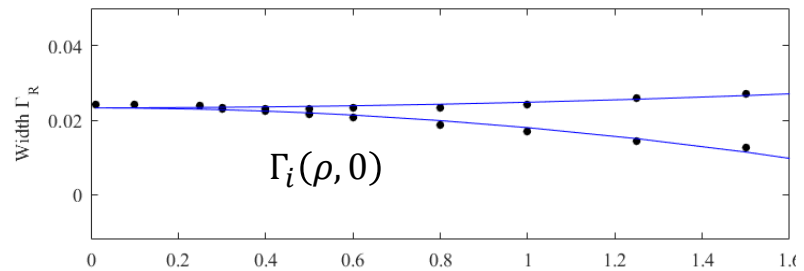
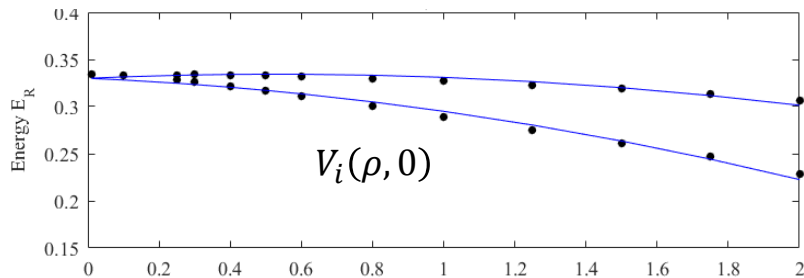
Complex potential: $\tilde{V}_i(\mathbf{Q}) = V_i(\mathbf{Q}) - i\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_i(\mathbf{Q})$

Fixed nuclei electron scattering calculations (Complex Kohn variational method)

A Jahn-Teller Hamiltonian for the resonant electronic states of H_3

Complex Jahn-Teller parameters

$$\hat{V}(\mathbf{Q} = \rho, \varphi) = \mathbf{1} \left((V_E + i\Gamma_E) + (\delta_E + i\gamma_E)\rho^2 \right) + (\alpha + i\beta)\rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & -\cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} + (\gamma + i\delta)\rho^2 \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & -\sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & -\cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$



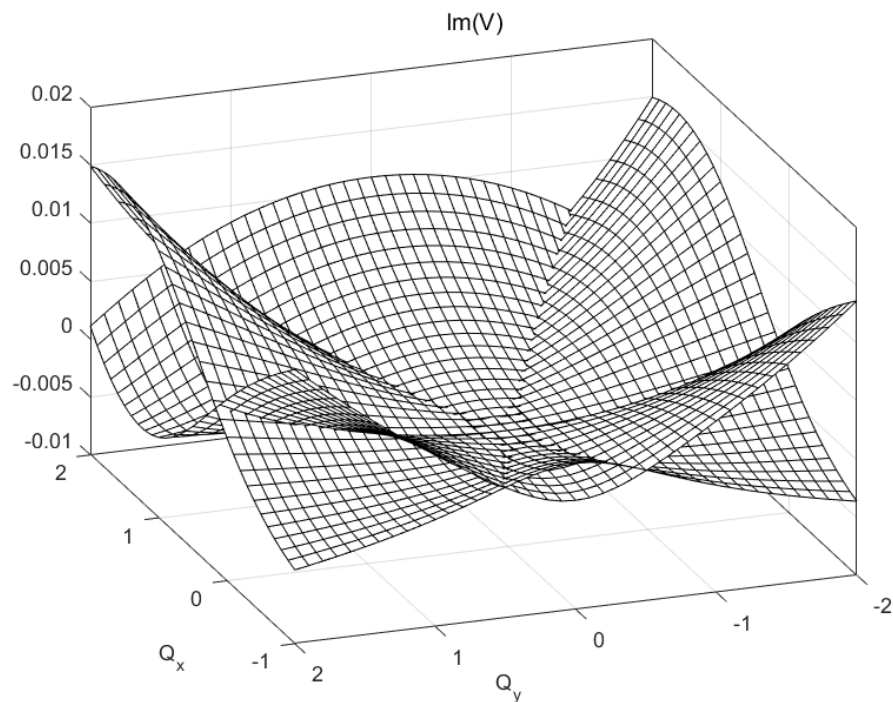
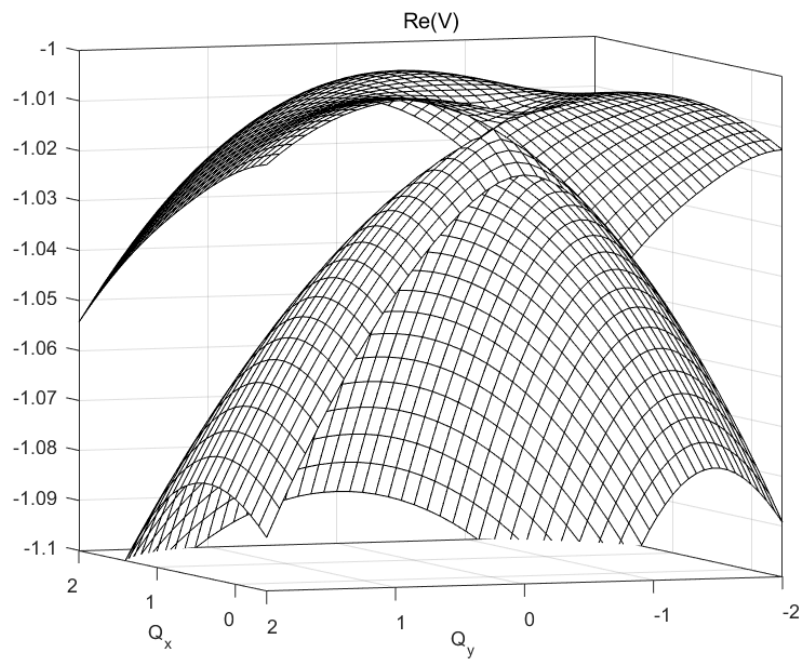
...	ϵ_E	δ_E	α	γ	Γ_E	γ_E	β	δ
$\phi = 89$	0.33	-0.017	0.0163	0.0017	-0.0117	0.0010	0.0001	0.0017

H. Estrada *et al*, JCP, 84, 152 (1986)
 S. Feuerbacher *et al* JCP, 120, 3201 (2004)
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Complex adiabatic potential energy surfaces

$$\hat{V}(\rho, \varphi) = \mathbf{1} \left((V_E + i\Gamma_E) + (\delta_E + i\gamma_E)\rho^2 \right) + (\alpha + i\beta)\rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & -\cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} + (\gamma + i\delta)\rho^2 \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & -\sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & -\cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$$

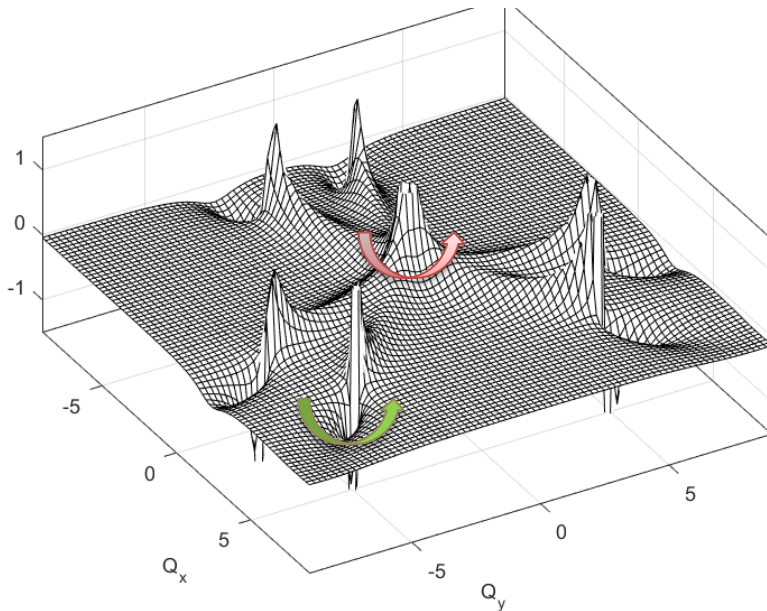
- Non-hermitian Hamiltonian
- Complex adiabatic potential energy surfaces



Complex non-adiabatic coupling and the Geometric phase

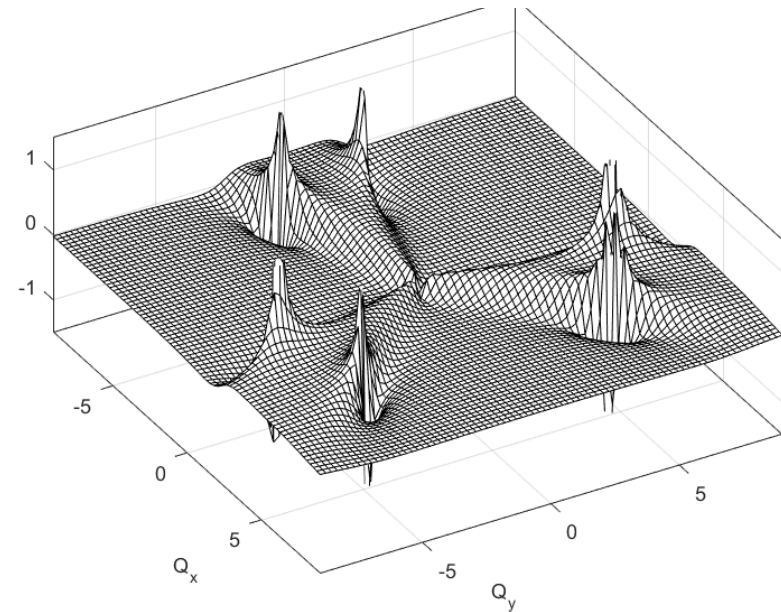
$$\tau_{ij}(Q) = \langle \phi_i | \nabla | \phi_j \rangle$$

Re(τ)



1 central complex intersection
Conical intersection
Geometric phase: π

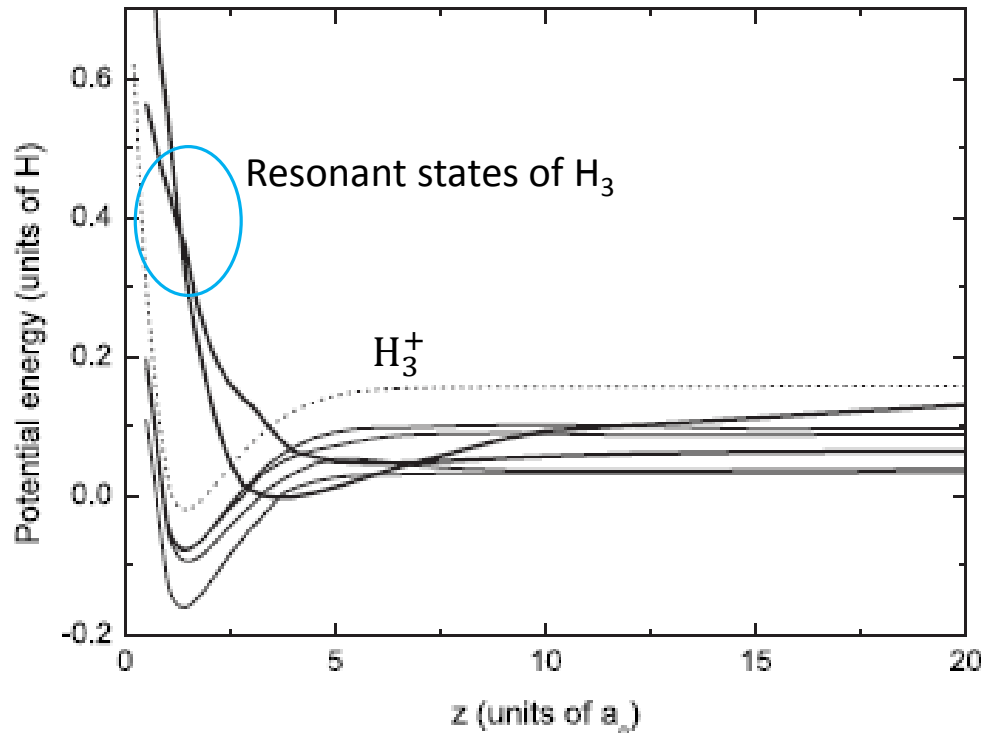
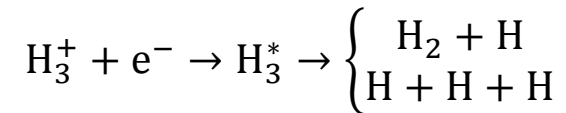
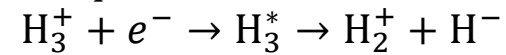
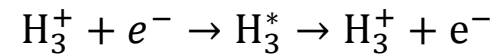
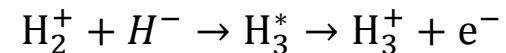
Im(τ)



6 outer intersections
Exceptional points (non-hermitian degeneracies)
Geometric phase: $\pi/2$

Continuation

Stationary topological properties → Dynamics of the nuclei

*Dissociative recombination**Ion-pair formation**Autoionization**Associative ionization*

Thank you!

Extracting complex Jahn-Teller parameters

1) Jahn-Teller potential: $\hat{V}(\rho, \varphi) = \mathbf{1}(V_E + \delta_E \rho^2) + k\rho \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ \sin \varphi & -\cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} + g\rho^2 \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & -\sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & -\cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix}$

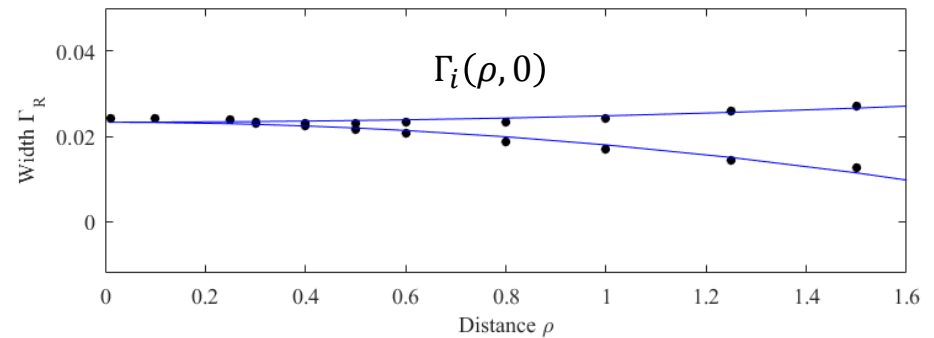
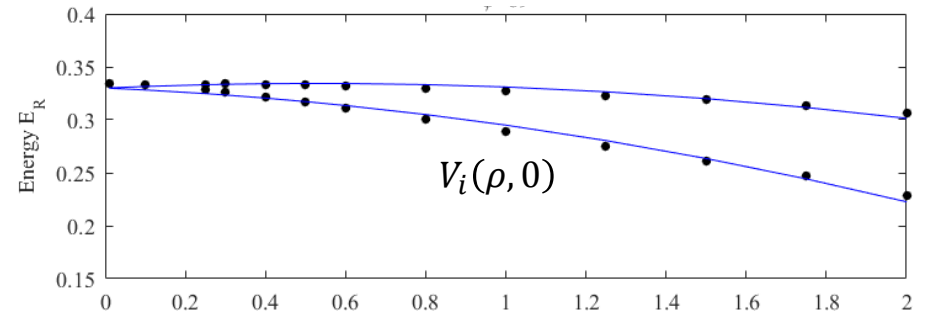
2) Resonant states : $\tilde{V}_i(\rho, \varphi) = V_i(\rho, \varphi) - i\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_i(\rho, \varphi)$

Complex Jahn-Teller parameters

$(V_E + \delta_E \rho^2) \rightarrow (V_E + i\Gamma_E + (\delta_E + i\gamma_E)\rho^2)$

$k \rightarrow \alpha + i\beta$

$g \rightarrow \gamma + i\delta$



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Electronic resonant states of H_3

Local complex potential $\tilde{V}_i(\mathbf{R}) = V_i(\mathbf{R}) - i\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_i(\mathbf{R})$

Computed using electron scattering calculations.

$$|\Psi(x, t)|^2 = |\psi(x)e^{-iEt}|^2 = |\psi(x)e^{-i(E_R - \frac{i\Gamma}{2})t}|^2 = |\psi(x)|^2 e^{-\Gamma t}$$

A Jahn-Teller Hamiltonian that describes the resonant states of H_3 ?

Influence the non-adiabatic couplings and the Berry phase?

Dissociative recombination of H_3^+

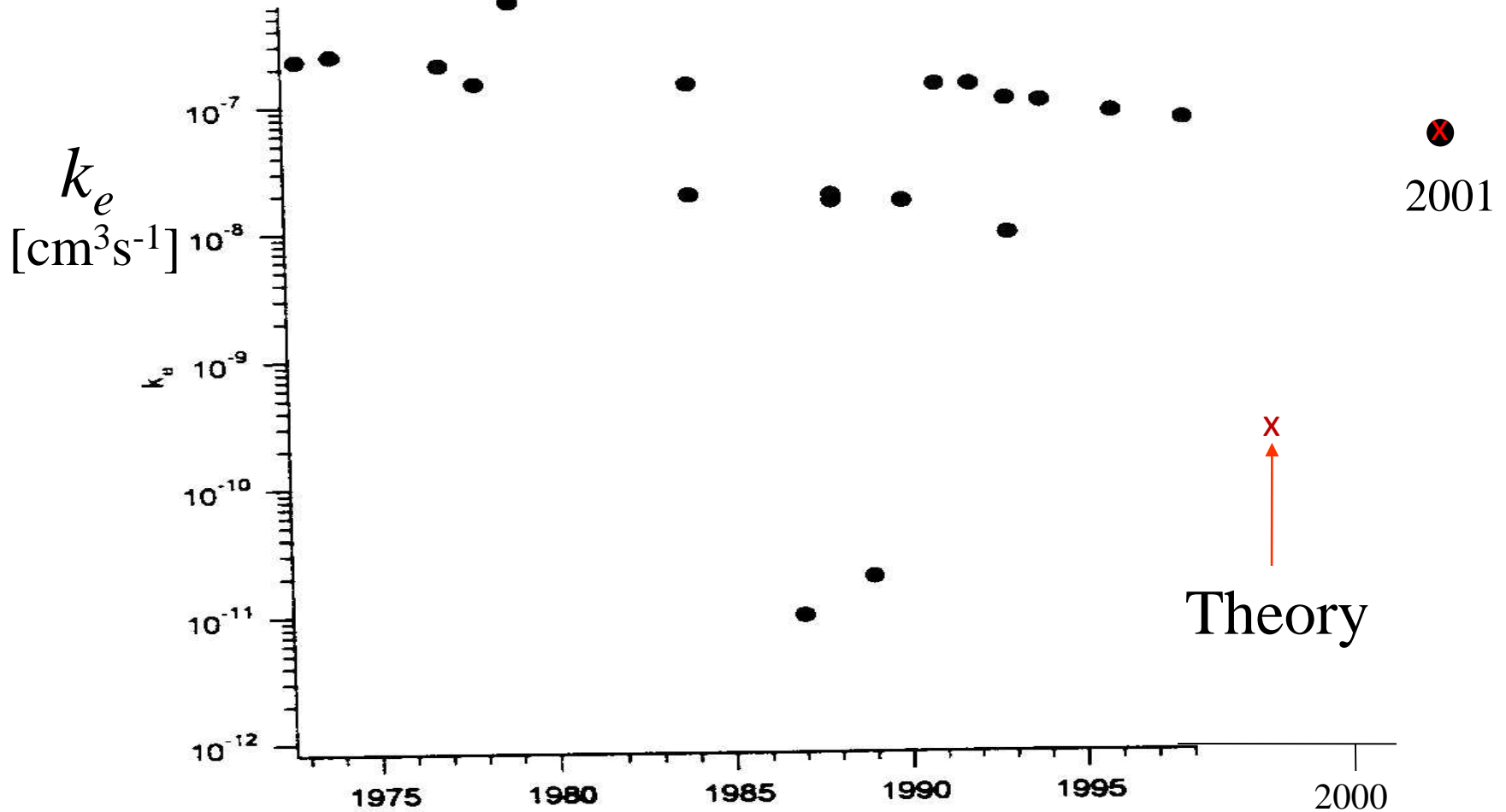
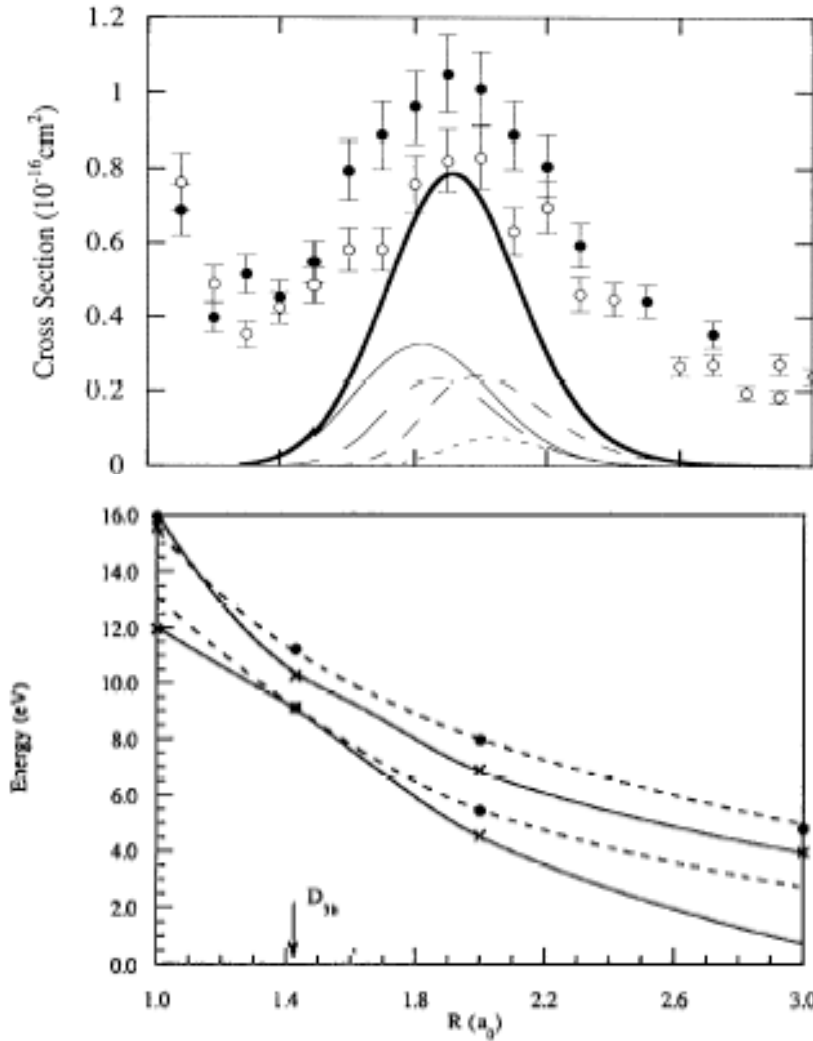


Fig. 5 Laboratory measurement of k_e over the years.

T. Oka, 1999

Dissociative recombination of H_3^+

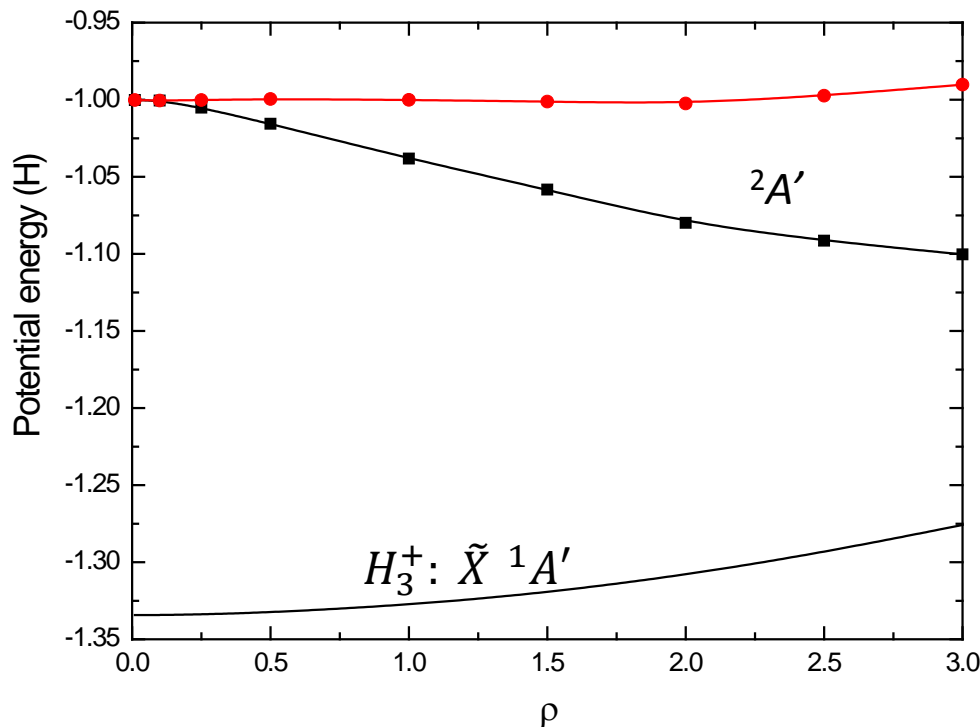


Electron scattering calculations at higher energies revealed electronic resonant states of H_3

Jahn-Teller conical intersection among the resonant states

- M. Larsson *et al.*, PRL, 70, 430 (1993)
A. E. Orel & K. C. Kulander, PRL, 71, 4315 (1993)
A. E. Orel *et al.* J. Chem. Phys. 100, 1756 (1994)

Electron scattering calculations



Fixed nuclei electron scattering calculations

Complex Kohn variational method

→ Fixed nuclei T- or S-matrix

Trial wavefunction:
$$\Psi = \sum_{\Gamma} \hat{A}[\Phi(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) F_{\Gamma\Gamma_0}(\mathbf{r}_{N+1})] + \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu} \Theta(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_{N+1})$$

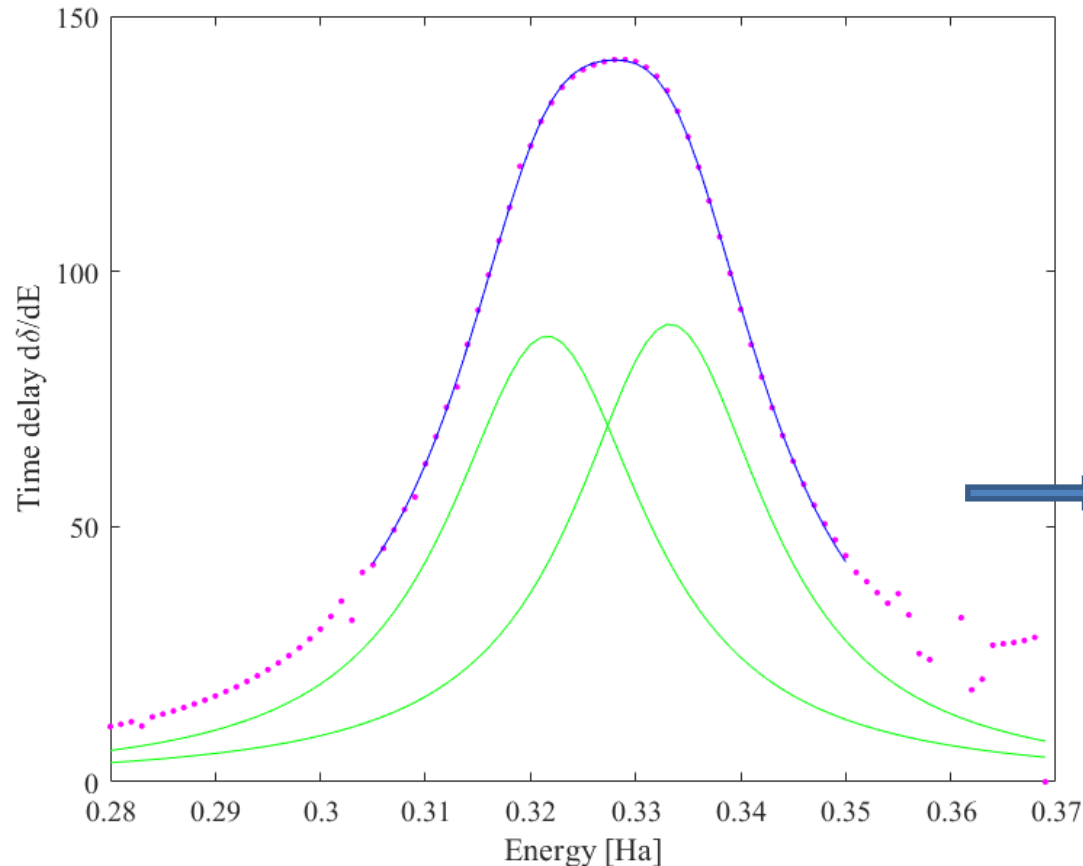
Target MRCI wave function \hat{A} Correlation and polarization Θ

$$F_{\Gamma\Gamma_0}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_i c_i \phi_i(\mathbf{r}) + \sum_{lm} [f_l(k_l r) \delta_{l0} \delta_{mm_0} + T_{l0mm_0} g_l^+(k_l r)] \frac{Y_{lm}}{r}$$

Electron scattering calculations

Eigenphase sum of the S-matrix: $\delta(\mathbf{R}, E) = \sum_i \delta_i \approx \delta_{bg}(E) + \sum_k \tan^{-1} \frac{\Gamma_k/2}{E - E_k}$

Time-delay matrix: $Tr Q = 2 \frac{d\delta}{dE} = 2 \frac{d\delta_{bg}}{dE} + \underbrace{\sum_k \frac{\Gamma_k}{(E - E_k)^2 + (\Gamma_k/2)^2}}_{\text{Breit-Wigner}}$



$\rho=0.4, \quad \varphi=0$

$E_1 = 0.322$
 $\Gamma_1 = 0.023$

$E_2 = 0.333$
 $\Gamma_2 = 0.023$

K. Aiba, et al, J. Phys. B. 40, F9 (2007).

Non-adiabatic interactions and Geometric phase

Non-adiabatic coupling: $F_{ij} = \langle v_i | \nabla v_j \rangle$

Single-valued eigenvectors: $|v_1\rangle = e^{i\theta/2} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta/2 \\ -\cos \theta/2 \end{pmatrix}$, $|v_2\rangle = e^{i\theta/2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta/2 \\ \sin \theta/2 \end{pmatrix}$

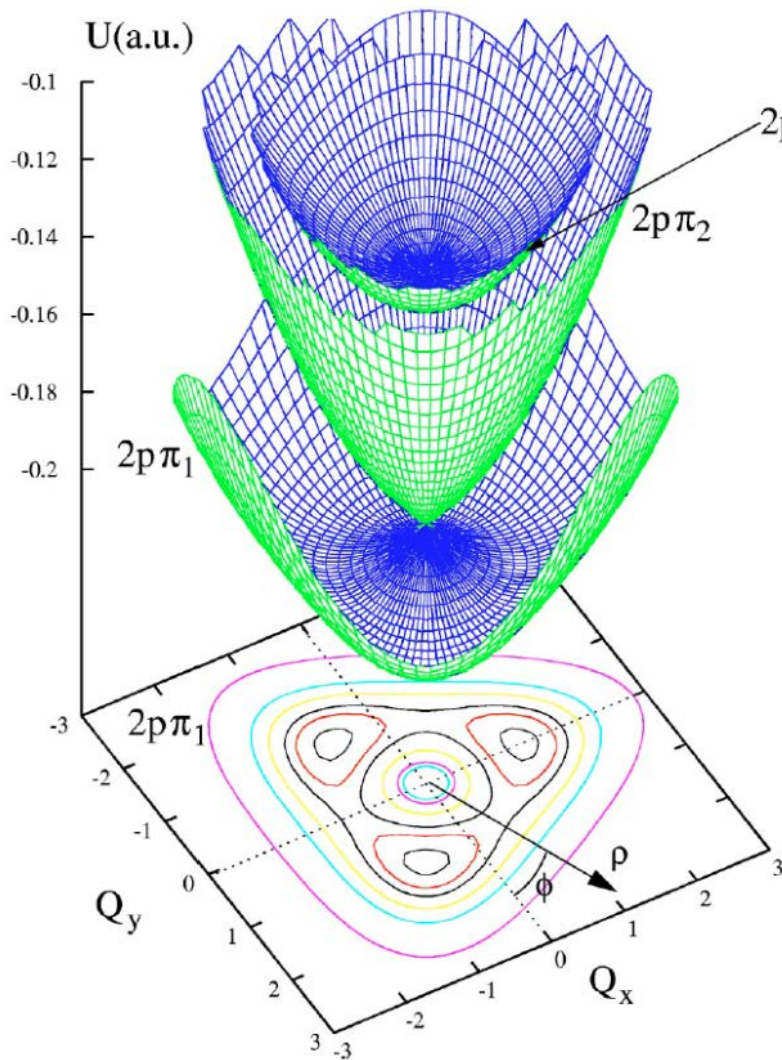
ADT angle: $\tan \theta = \frac{k \sin \varphi - g\rho \sin 2\varphi}{k \cos \varphi + g\rho \cos 2\varphi} \longrightarrow \mathbf{F}^\varphi = \frac{1}{\rho} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{i}{2} \frac{d\theta}{d\varphi} & -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d\theta}{d\varphi} \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{d\theta}{d\varphi} & \frac{i}{2} \frac{d\theta}{d\varphi} \end{pmatrix}$

Non-adiabatic coupling for complex JT:

Complex ADT angle θ

Single-valued eigenvectors: $|v_1\rangle = e^{i\text{Re}\theta/2} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta/2 \\ -\cos \theta/2 \end{pmatrix}$, $|v_2\rangle = e^{i\text{Re}\theta/2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta/2 \\ \sin \theta/2 \end{pmatrix}$

Non-adiabatic interactions and Geometric phase



Transporting a state around the conical intersection
 $|v_1(0)\rangle = -|v_1(2\pi)\rangle$

Topological matrix

$$D = \oint \exp(-\oint ds \cdot F)$$

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \text{Geometric phase} = \pi$$

A theoretical curiosity

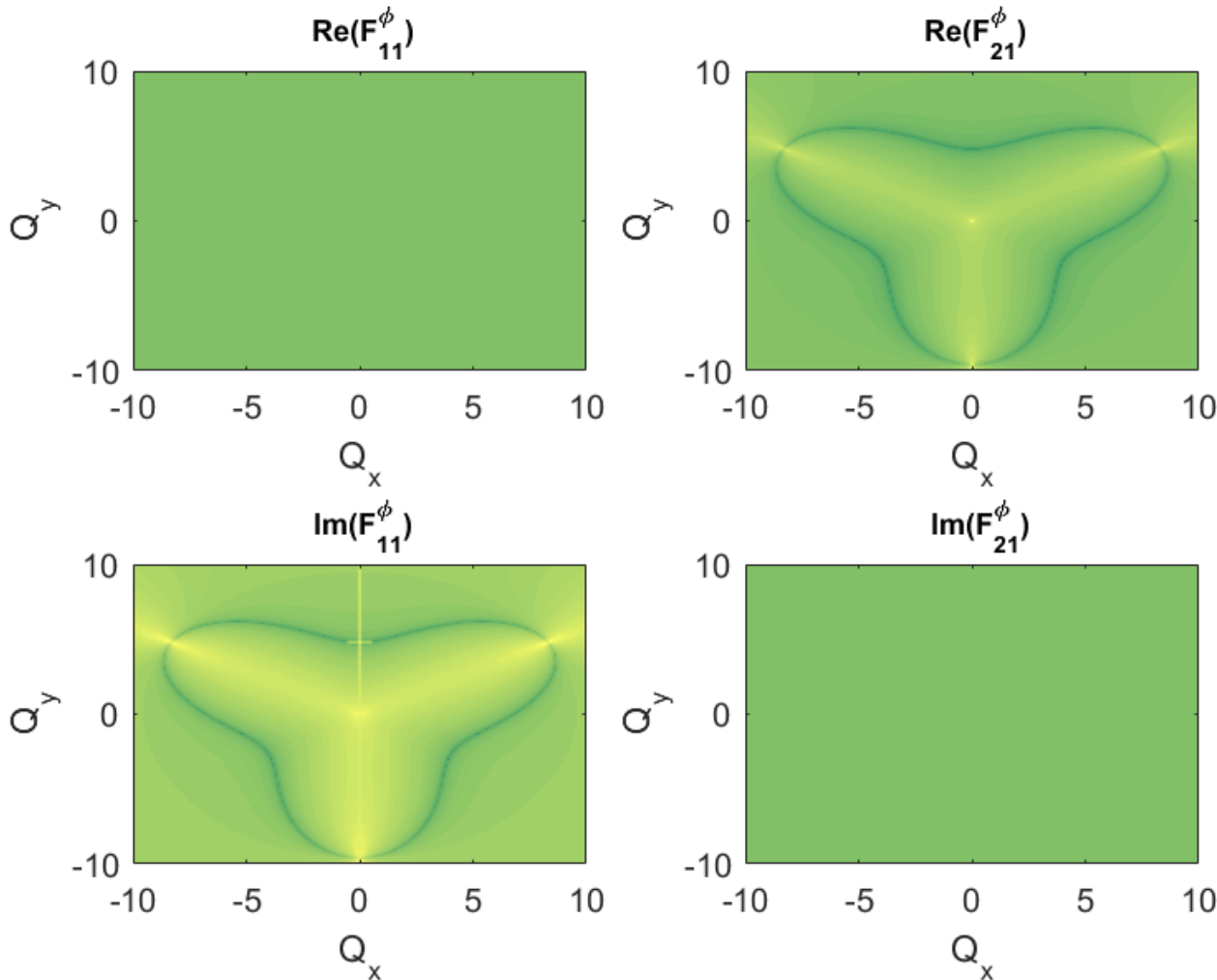
$$\hat{V} = \rho(k \cos(\varphi) + g \rho \cos(2\varphi)) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ \lambda & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda = \frac{k \sin \varphi - g \rho \sin 2\varphi}{k \cos \varphi + g \rho \cos 2\varphi}$$

$$V_{\pm} = \pm \rho (k \cos(\varphi) + g \rho \cos(2\varphi)) \sqrt{1 + \lambda^2}$$

Intersections where $V_{\pm} = 0$

A theoretical curiosity

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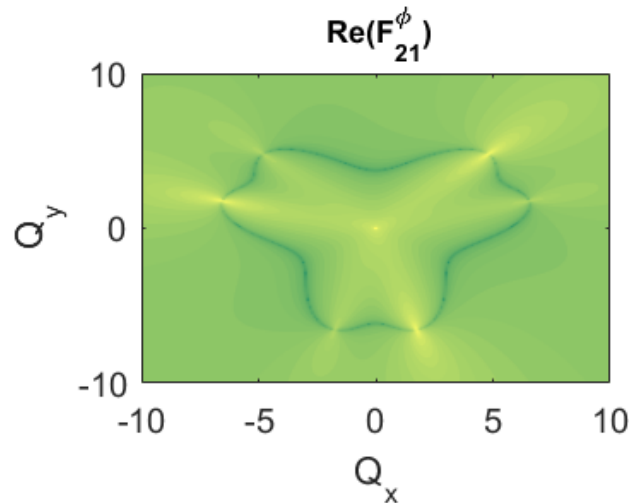
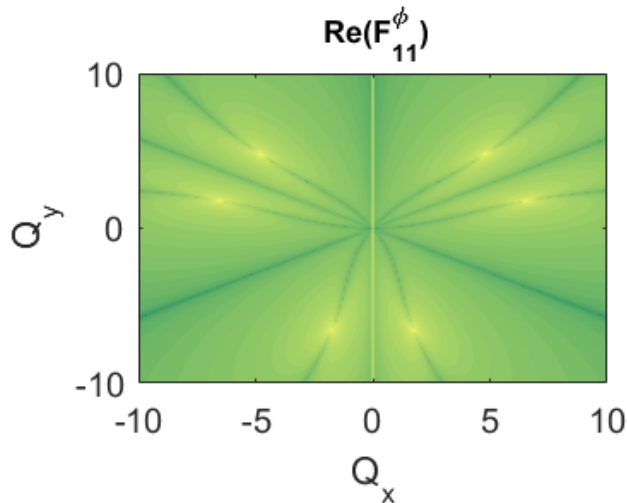
If k, g are real

$$\text{Re}(F_{11}) = \text{Im}(F_{21}) = 0$$

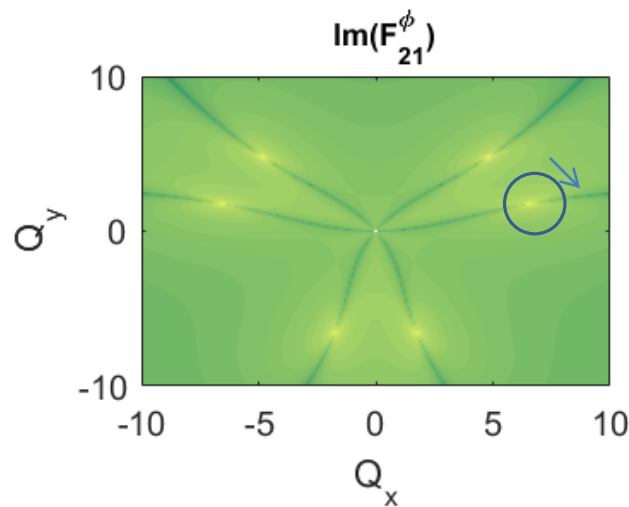
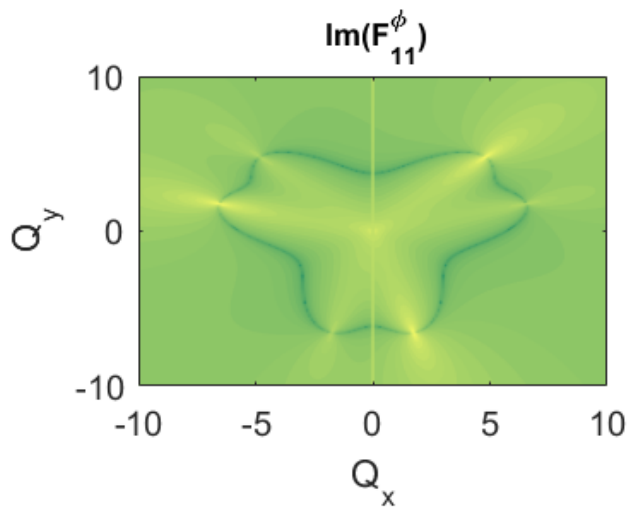
1 inner conical intersection
+ 3 outer intersections

A theoretical curiosity

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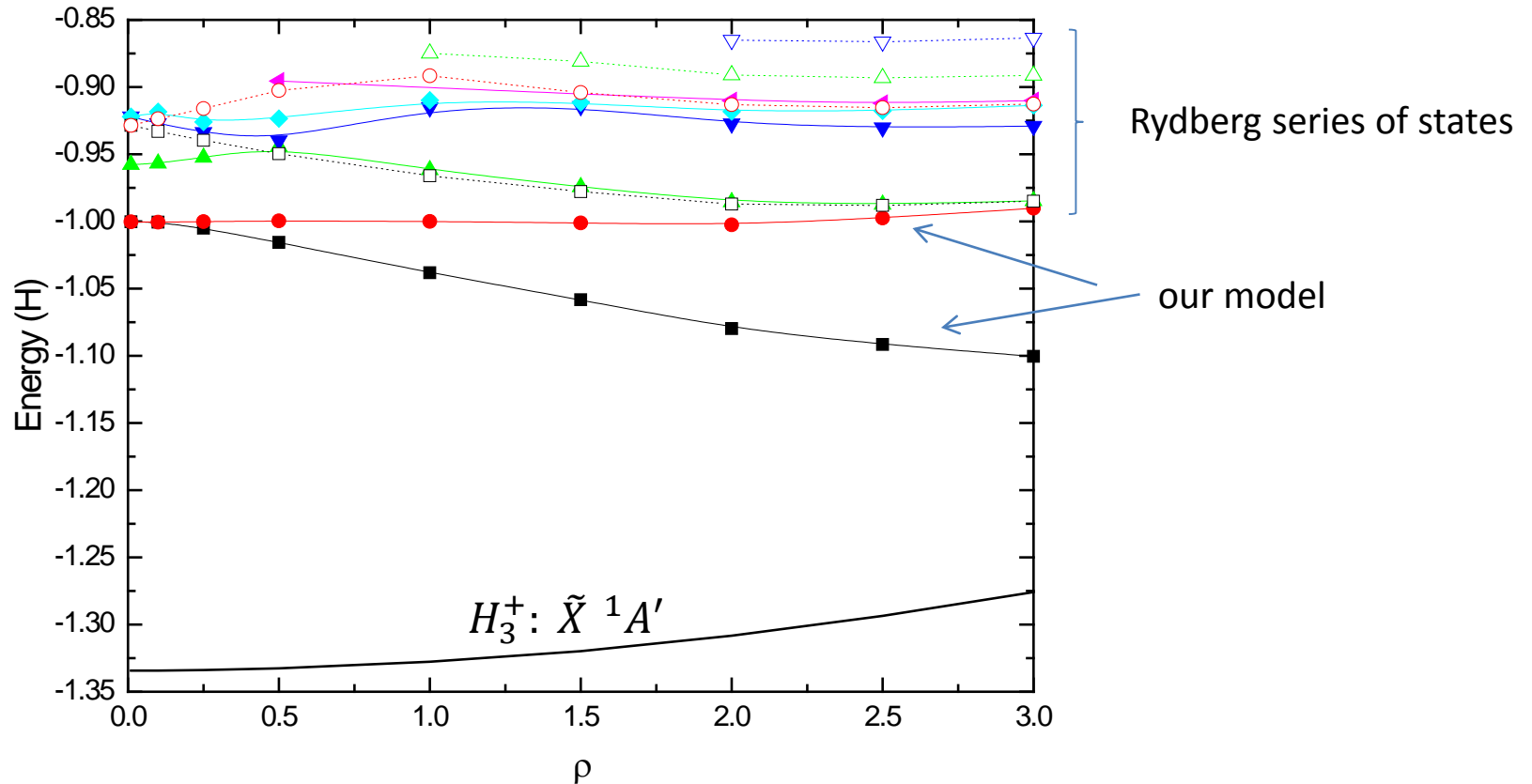
Complex JT
1 central conical intersection
+ 6 outer intersections
at $\lambda = \pm i$



Exceptional points
(non-hermitian degeneracies)
Geometric phase: $\pi/2$

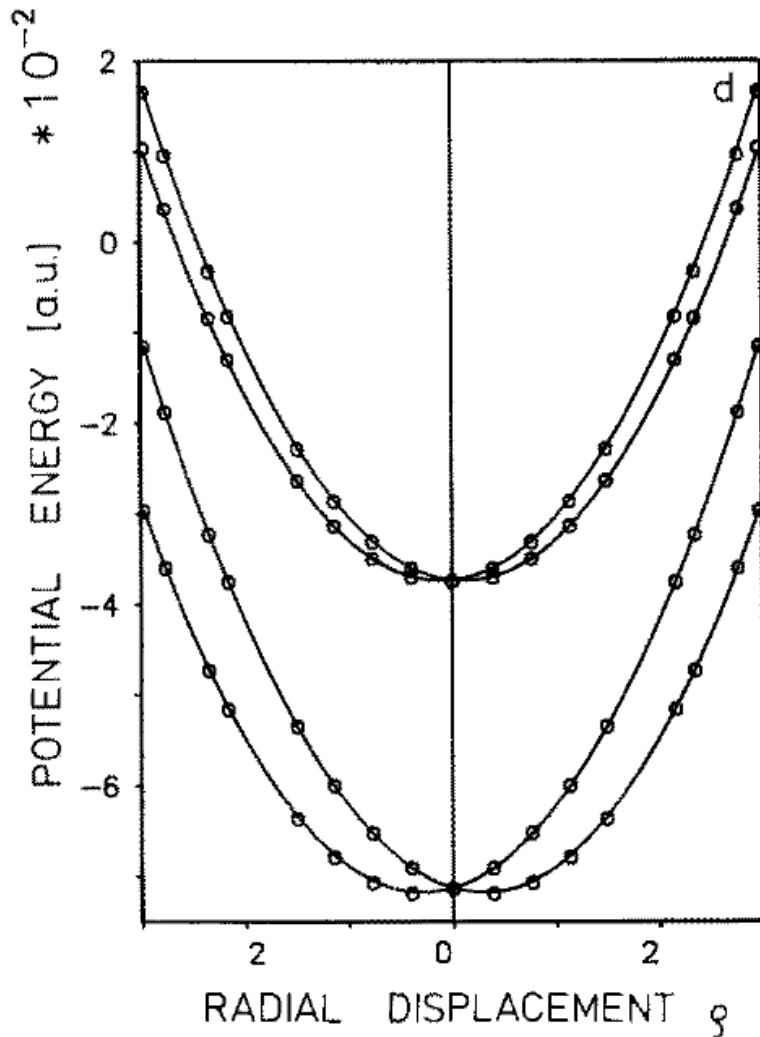
Continuation

Not only one pair of coupled resonant states, but Rydberg series of states



➔ Can the complex JT parameters be determined for the whole Rydberg series using a multi-channel quantum defect theory?

Dissociative recombination of H_3^+



A Jahn-Teller Hamiltonian is fitted to describe the bound Rydberg states of H_3



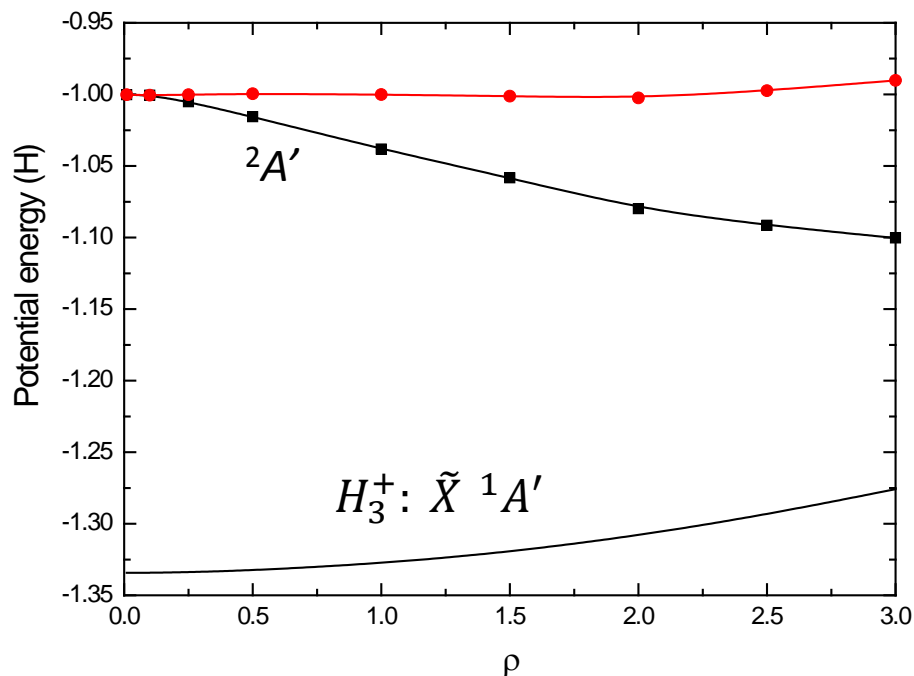
Important for spectroscopy of H_3



Important also for low energy $e-H_3^+$ collisions

$$Q_x = \rho \cos \varphi, \quad Q_y = \rho \sin \varphi$$

Conical intersection among electronic resonant states



Electronic resonant states of H_3

Computed using electron scattering calculations.

Local Boomerang model

$$\tilde{V}_i(\mathbf{R}) = V_i(\mathbf{R}) - i\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_i(\mathbf{R})$$

What is the form of the Jahn-Teller Hamiltonian that describes the resonant states of H_3 ?

How will the fact that these state are resonant states influence the non-adiabatic couplings and the Berry phase?

Electron scattering calculations

Fixed nuclei electron scattering calculations are carried out with the **Complex-Kohn variational method**

Trial wave function:

$$\Psi = \sum_{\Gamma} \hat{A} \left[\underbrace{\Phi(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N)}_{\text{Target MRCI wave function}} \underbrace{F_{\Gamma\Gamma_0}(\mathbf{r}_{N+1})}_{\text{Correlation and polarization}} \right] + \sum_{\mu} d_{\mu} \Theta(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_{N+1})$$
$$F_{\Gamma\Gamma_0}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_i c_i \phi_i(\mathbf{r}) + \sum_{lm} \left[f_l(k_l r) \delta_{ll_0} \delta_{mm_0} + T_{ll_0 mm_0} g_l^+(k_l r) \right] \frac{Y_{lm}}{r}$$

Insert into a variational functional for the T-matrix

➡ Fixed nuclei T- or S-matrix