# From H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> to H<sub>2</sub> molecules

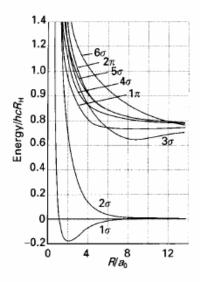


Fig. 8.5 The molecular potential energy curves for the hydrogen molecule—ion.

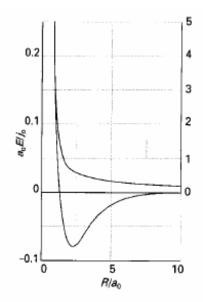


Fig. 8.12 The calculated molecular potential energy curves of the two lowest energy molecular orbitals of the hydrogen molecule—ion within the LCAO approximation. Note the change in scale between the bonding and antibonding curves.

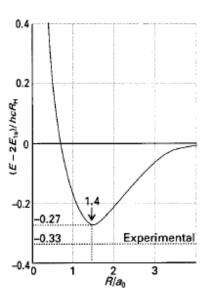


Fig. 8.14 The calculated molecular potential energy curve for the lowest energy orbital of a hydrogen molecule in the LCAO approximation.

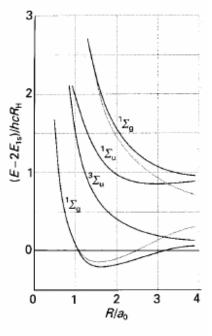


Fig. 8.15 The variation of the energies of four states of the hydrogen molecule with changing internuclear distance and the effect of configuration interaction which pushes the two pale curves apart.

## Interazione configurazionale per la molecola H<sub>2</sub>

The following configurations are possible:

$$1\sigma_{\rm g}^2$$
  $1\sigma_{\rm g}^1 1\sigma_{\rm u}^1$   $1\sigma_{\rm u}^2$ 

The corresponding wavefunctions, including spin, are

$$\begin{split} &\Psi_1(1,2;{}^1\Sigma_g)=\psi_+(1)\psi_+(2)\sigma_-(1,2)\\ &\Psi_2(1,2;{}^1\Sigma_u)=(\frac{1}{2})^{1/2}\{\psi_+(1)\psi_-(2)+\psi_+(2)\psi_-(1)\}\sigma_-(1,2)\\ &\Psi_3(1,2;{}^1\Sigma_g)=\psi_-(1)\psi_-(2)\sigma_-(1,2)\\ &\Psi_4(1,2;{}^3\Sigma_u)=(\frac{1}{2})^{1/2}\{\psi_+(1)\psi_-(2)-\psi_+(2)\psi_-(1)\}\sigma_+(1,2) \end{split}$$

$$\Psi_1(1,2)$$
 and  $\Psi_3(1,2)$ , converge on the same energy as  $R\to\infty$ 

With CI, the wavefunction of the lower state is

$$\Psi(1,2) = c_1 \Psi_1(1,2) + c_3 \Psi_3(1,2) = \Phi(1,2)\sigma_-(1,2)$$

and the orbital structure of this function is

$$\begin{split} \Phi(1,2) &= c_1 \psi_+(1) \psi_+(2) + c_3 \psi_-(1) \psi_-(2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} c_1 \{ \phi_A(1) + \phi_B(1) \} \{ \phi_A(2) + \phi_B(2) \} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} c_3 \{ \phi_A(1) - \phi_B(1) \} \{ \phi_A(2) - \phi_B(2) \} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (c_1 + c_3) \{ \phi_A(1) \phi_A(2) + \phi_B(2) \phi_B(1) \} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} (c_1 - c_3) \{ \phi_A(1) \phi_B(2) + \phi_B(1) \phi_A(2) \} \end{split}$$

Questa è ancora un combinazione lineare di una configurazione "ionica" (H-+p) con una "covalente" (H+H), ma il peso delle due non è 1:1 come nell'LCAO semplice. Esso infatti può variare attraverso i coeff.  $c_1$  e  $c_3$ .

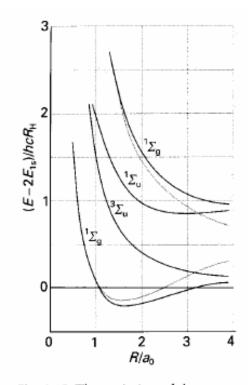


Fig. 8.15 The variation of the energies of four states of the hydrogen molecule with changing internuclear distance and the effect of configuration interaction which pushes the two pale curves apart.

absence of CI (setting 
$$c_1 = 1$$
 and  $c_3 = 0$ ):  

$$\Phi(1,2) = \frac{1}{2}\phi_A(1)\phi_A(2) + \frac{1}{2}\phi_B(2)\phi_B(1) + \frac{1}{2}\phi_A(1)\phi_B(2) + \frac{1}{2}\phi_B(1)\phi_A(2)$$

## Teoria delle perturbazioni per un sistema a due livelli (1)

Consider first a system that has only two eigenstates. We suppose that the two eigenstates of  $H^{(0)}$  are known, and denote them  $|1\rangle$  and  $|2\rangle$ . The corresponding wavefunctions are  $\psi_1^{(0)}$  and  $\psi_2^{(0)}$ , respectively. These states and functions form a complete orthonormal basis. They correspond to the energies  $E_1^{(0)}$  and  $E_2^{(0)}$ :

$$H^{(0)}\psi_m^{(0)} = E_m^{(0)}\psi_m^{(0)}$$
  $m = 1, 2$ 

The wavefunctions of the true system differ only slightly from those of the model system, and we can hope to solve the equation

$$H\psi = E\psi \tag{6.2}$$

in terms of them by writing

$$\psi = a_1 \psi_1^{(0)} + a_2 \psi_2^{(0)} \tag{6.3}$$

where  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are constants to be determined.

To find the constants  $a_m$  we insert the linear combination into the Schrödinger equation and obtain (using ket notation)

$$a_1(H-E)|1\rangle + a_2(H-E)|2\rangle = 0$$

When this equation is multiplied from the left by the bras (1| and (2| in turn, and use is made of the orthonormality of the two states, we obtain the two equations

$$a_1(H_{11} - E) + a_2H_{12} = 0$$
  

$$a_1H_{21} + a_2(H_{22} - E) = 0$$
(6.4)

where  $H_{mn} = \langle m|H|n\rangle$ .

### Teoria delle perturbazioni per un sistema a due livelli (2)

$$\begin{vmatrix} H_{11} - E & H_{12} \\ H_{21} & H_{22} - E \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

This expression expands to

$$(H_{11} - E)(H_{22} - E) - H_{12}H_{21} = 0$$

and then to

$$E^{2} - (H_{11} + H_{22})E + H_{11}H_{22} - H_{12}H_{21} = 0$$

This quadratic equation has the solutions

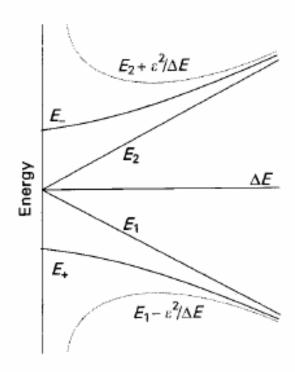
$$E_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(H_{11} + H_{22}) \pm \frac{1}{2} \left\{ (H_{11} - H_{22})^2 + 4H_{12}H_{21} \right\}^{1/2}$$

In the special case of a perturbation for which the diagonal matrix elements are zero ( $H_{mm}^{(1)} = 0$ , so we can write  $H_{mm} = E_m^{(0)}$ ), this expression simplifies to

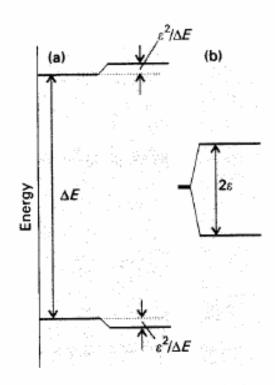
$$E_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left( E_1^{(0)} + E_2^{(0)} \right) \pm \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left( E_1^{(0)} - E_2^{(0)} \right)^2 + 4\varepsilon^2 \right\}^{1/2} \tag{6.6}$$

where  $\varepsilon^2 = H_{12}^{(1)} H_{21}^{(1)}$ . Because  $H^{(1)}$  is hermitian, we can write  $\varepsilon^2 = |H_{12}^{(1)}|^2$ . When the perturbation is absent,  $\varepsilon = 0$  and  $E_+ = E_1^{(0)}$ ,  $E_- = E_2^{(0)}$ , the two unperturbed energies.

## Teoria delle perturbazioni per un sistema a due livelli (3)



**Fig. 6.1** The variation of the energies of a two-level system with a constant perturbation as the separation of the unperturbed levels is increased. The pale lines show the energies according to second-order perturbation theory.



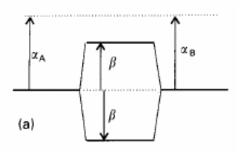
**Fig. 6.2** (a) When the unperturbed levels are far apart in energy, the shift in energy caused by a perturbation of strength  $\varepsilon$  is  $\pm \varepsilon^2/\Delta E$ . (b) If the levels are initially degenerate, then the shift in energy is much larger, and is equal to  $\pm \varepsilon$ .

# Legame eteropolare

$$\begin{vmatrix} \alpha_{A} - E & \beta - ES \\ \beta - ES & \alpha_{B} - E \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

when 
$$|\alpha_A - \alpha_B| \gg \beta$$
 and  $S = 0$ 

$$E_{+} = \alpha_{\rm A} - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha_{\rm B} - \alpha_{\rm A}}$$
  $E_{-} = \alpha_{\rm B} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha_{\rm B} - \alpha_{\rm A}}$ 



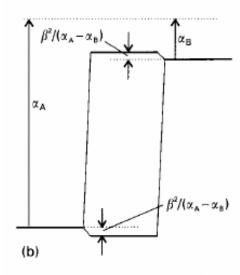


Fig. 8.17 The molecular orbital energy levels stemming from atomic orbitals of (a) the same energy, (b) different energy.

### Heteronuclear diatomic molecules

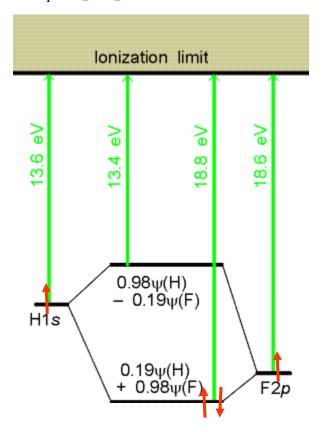
• A diatomic molecule with different atoms can lead to *polar bond*, a covalent bond in which the electron pair is shared unequally by the 2 atoms.

#### Polar bonds

→ 2 electrons in an molecular orbital composed of one atomic orbital of each atom (A and B).

$$\Psi = c_A A + c_B B$$

 $|c_i|^2$  proportion of the atomic orbital "i" in the bond



- The situation of covalent polar bonds is between <u>2 limit cases</u>:
- 1) The *nonpolar bond* (e.g.; the homonuclear diatomic molecule):  $|c_A|^2 = |c_B|^2$
- 2) The *ionic bond* in A+B-:  $|c_A|^2 = 0$  and  $|c_B|^2 = 1$

### Example: HF

The H1s electron is at higher energy than the F2p orbital. The bond formation is accompanied with a significant partial negative charge transfer from H to F.

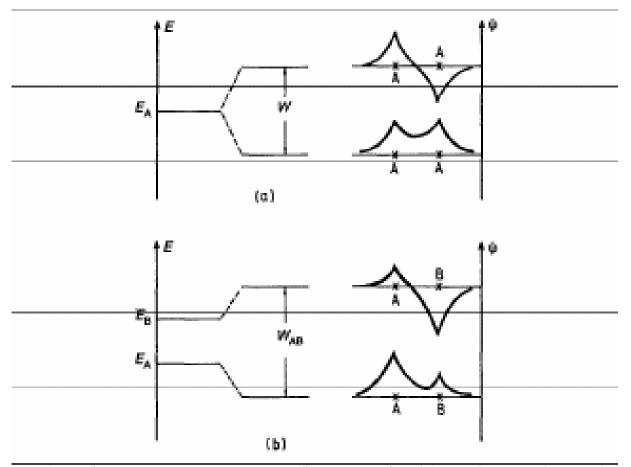


Fig. 3.2 The bonding and antibonding states for (a) the homonuclear and (b) the heteronuclear diatomic molecule. The shift in the energy levels due to overlap repulsion has not been shown.

### Molecole:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & & \sum H_i \\ & & & \\$$

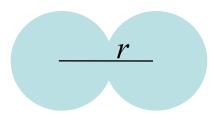
Definiamo gli orbitali molecolari (MO) come:

$$\psi_{Mol} = \psi_1 + \psi_2$$
  $\psi_{Mol} = \psi_1 - \psi_2$ 

Approssimazione: combinazione lineare degli orbitali atomici (linear combination of atomic orbitals: LCAO)

### Orbitali molecolari: combinazione lineare di orbitali atomici

 $H_2$ 



orbitale legante

$$1s\sigma$$



$$\psi_{Mol} = \psi_1 + \psi_2$$

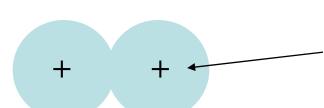
 $1s\sigma^*$ 



$$\psi_{Mol} = \psi_1 - \psi_2$$

orbitale antilegante

### $H_2$



Segno della funzione d'onda

orbitale legante

1s
$$\sigma_g$$



$$\psi_{Mol} = \psi_1 + \psi_2$$

gerade = pari

$$1s\sigma_u^*$$





$$\psi_{Mol} = \psi_1 - \psi_2$$

orbitale antilegante

# Quale orbitale molecolare MO è più basso in energia?

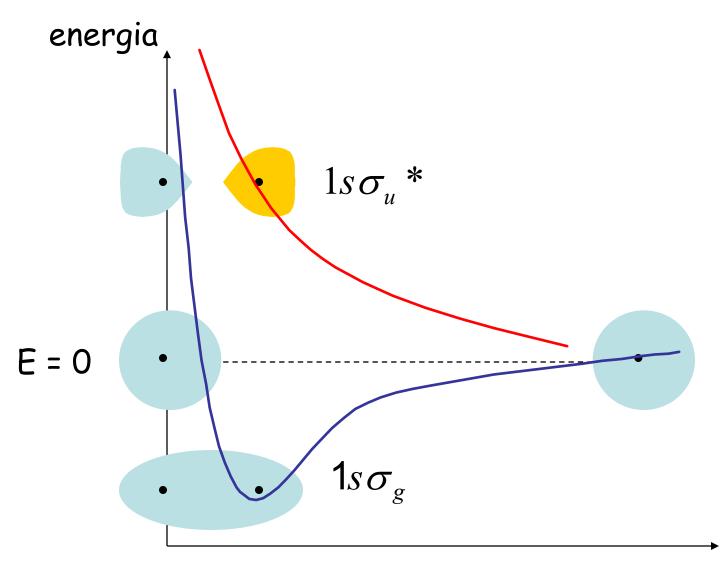
 $H_2$ 



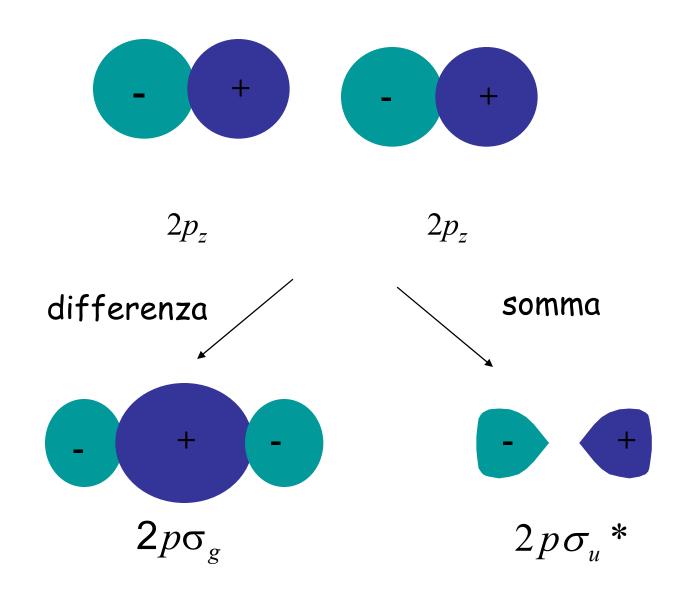
$$1s\sigma_g$$

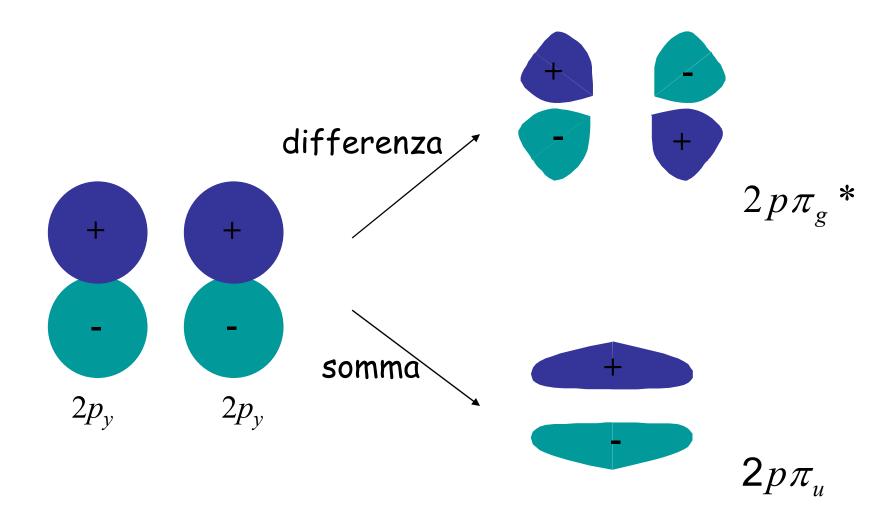


$$1s\sigma_u^*$$

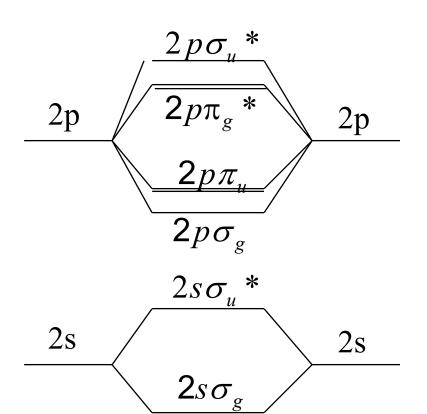


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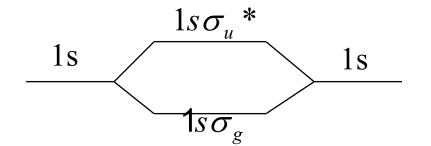




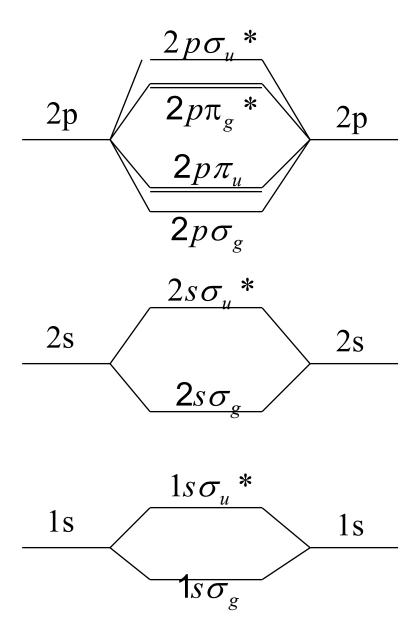
# Costruzione di un diagramma dei livelli energetici degli orbitali molecolari



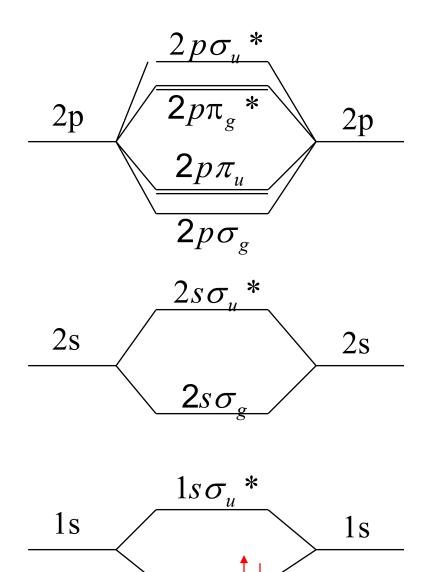
Generica molecola biatomica



Come distribuire gli elettroni in questi orbitali molecolari?

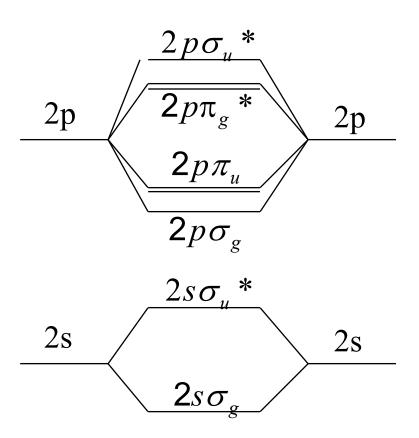


 $H_2$ 



 $H_2$   $1s\sigma_g^2$ 

Molecola stabile



$$E = \frac{H_{AA} \pm H_{AB}}{1 \pm S}$$

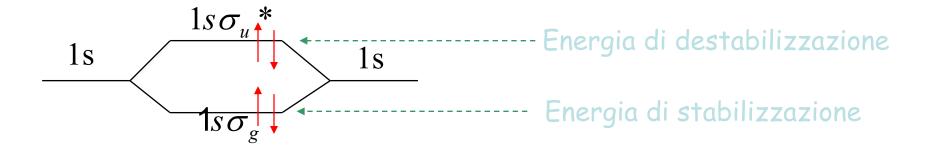
$$\psi_b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2+2S}} (\phi_{1s_A} + \phi_{1s_B})$$

$$\psi^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2-2S}} (\phi_{1s_A} - \phi_{1s_B})$$

$$He_2$$

$$1s\sigma_g^2 1s(\sigma_u^*)^2$$

### Molecola instabile

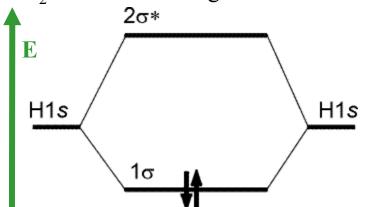


### Structure of diatomic molecules

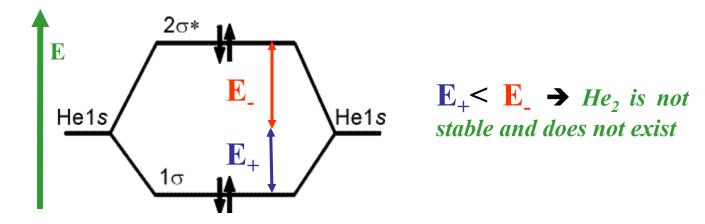
Now, we use the molecular orbitals ( $\sigma = \Psi_+$  and  $\sigma^* = \Psi_-$ ) found for the one-electron molecule H-H<sup>+</sup>; in order to describe many-electron diatomic molecules.

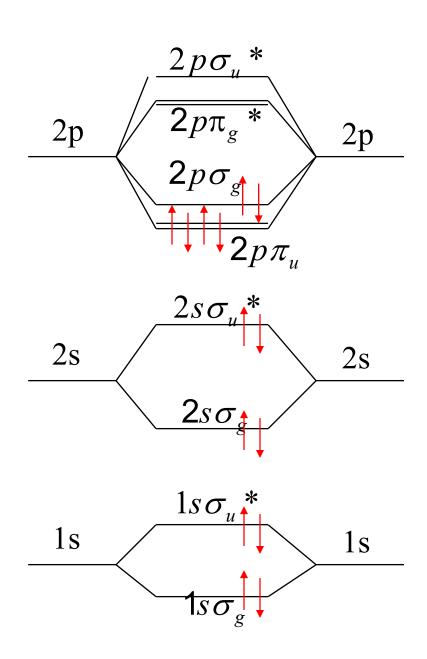
### The hydrogen and helium molecules

 $H_2$ : 2 electrons  $\rightarrow$  ground-state configuration:  $1\sigma^2$ 



He<sub>2</sub>: 4 electrons  $\rightarrow$  ground-state configuration:  $1\sigma^2 2\sigma^{*2}$ 



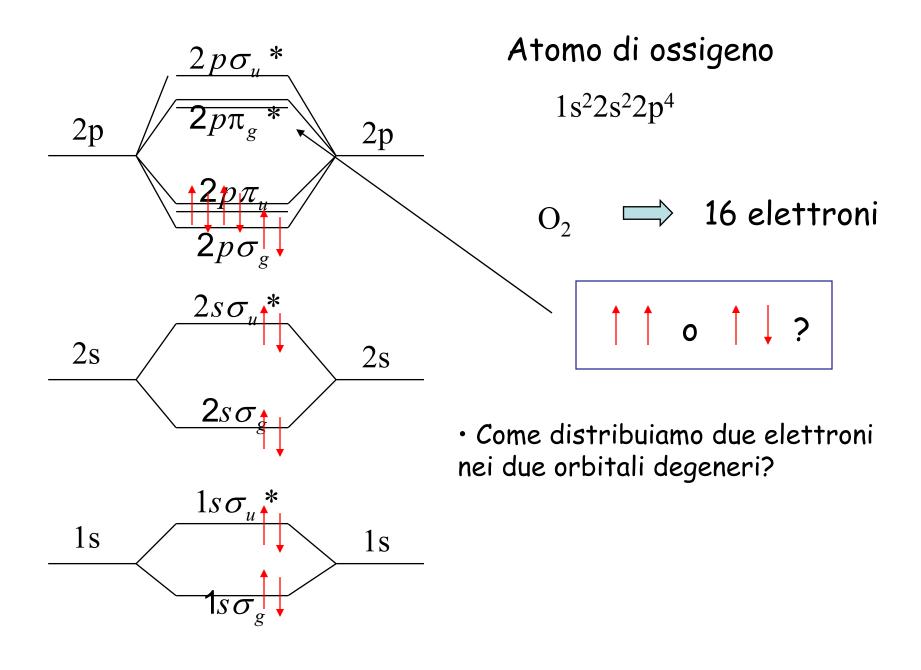


### Atomo di azoto

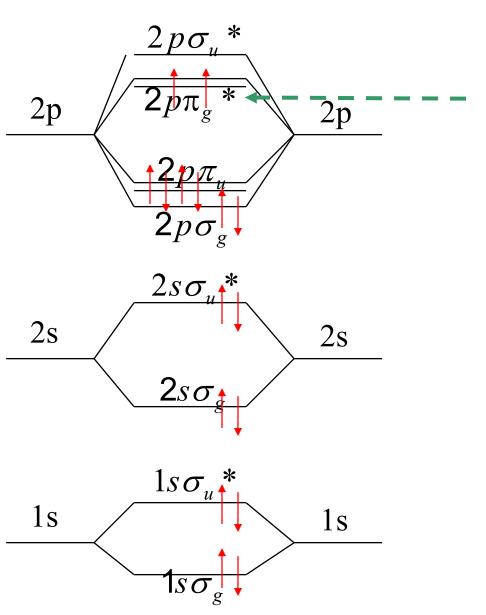
 $1s^22s^22p^3$ 

 $N_2 \implies 14$  elettroni

 $1s\sigma_g^2 1s(\sigma_u^*)^2 2s\sigma_g^2 2s(\sigma_u^*)^2 2p\sigma_g^2 2p(\pi_u^*)^4$ 



# Atomo di ossigeno 1s<sup>2</sup>2s<sup>2</sup>2p<sup>4</sup>



Regola di Hund per due elettroni equivalenti

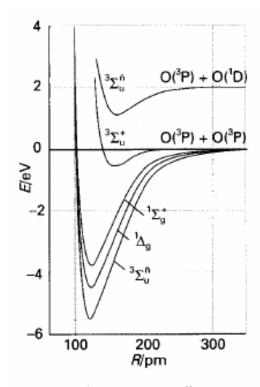
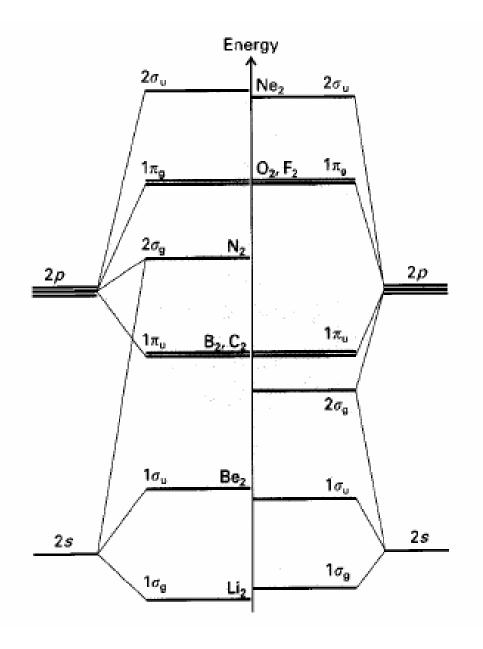
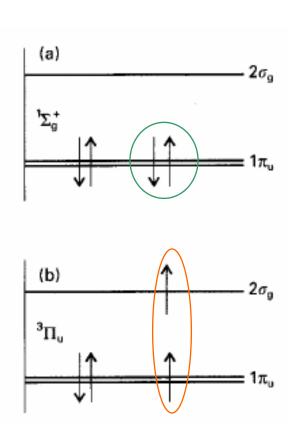


Fig. 8.19 The experimentally determined molecular potential energy curves of some of the lower energy states of dioxygen.

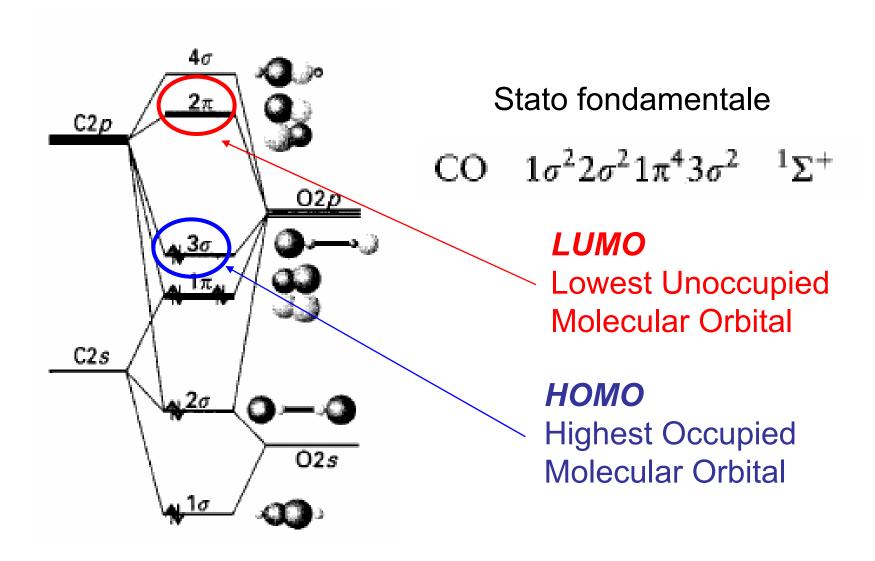
### Stato fondamentale delle molecole biatomiche





C<sub>2</sub>: competizione tra energia degli orbitali e correlazione di spin

# Legame eteropolare: molecola di CO



### Il Metodo di Huckel

Utilizzato spesso per il calcolo degli orbitali  $\Pi$ . Approssimazioni ulteriori rispetto al metodo LCAO:

$$H_{ij}=\beta$$
, se  $|i-j|=1$   
 $S_{ij}=1$ , se  $i=j$ 

$$H_{ij}=0$$
, altrimenti  $S_{ij}=0$ , se  $i\neq j$ 

Inoltre definiamo  $H_{ii}$ = $\alpha$ 

Molecola di butadiene: 4 orbitali 2p sui 4 atomi di carbonio. Pertanto la funzione d'onda di prova sarà:

$$\psi = a_1 2p_1 + a_2 2p_2 + a_3 2p_3 + a_4 2p_4$$

dove i termini fuori diagonale ( $\beta$ ) sono definiti come:

$$H_{ij} = \int (2\mathbf{p}_i) \mathscr{H}(2\mathbf{p}_j) \, \mathrm{d}\tau.$$

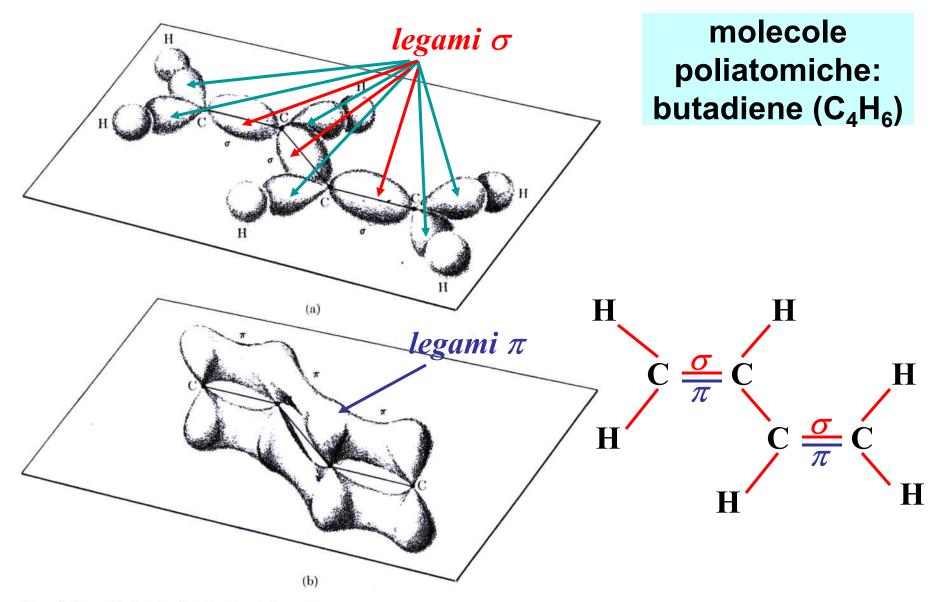
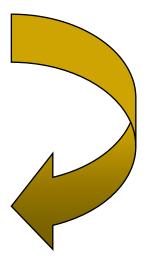


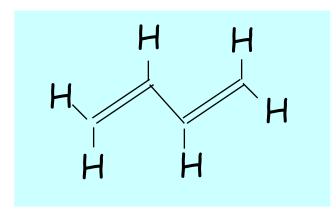
Fig. 5–24. Electronic distribution in butadiene. (a) Localized  $\sigma$ -bonds; (b) unlocalized  $\pi$ -bonds.

## Nel caso della molecola di idrogeno avevamo:

$$\begin{vmatrix} H_{AA} - E & H_{AB} - ES \\ H_{AB} - ES & H_{BB} - E \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \alpha - \mathbf{E} & \beta \\ \beta & \alpha - \mathbf{E} \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

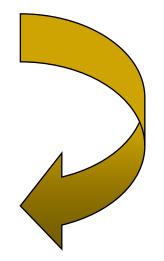




Molecola di butadiene

H <sub>11</sub> -E	H <sub>12</sub> -ES <sub>12</sub>	H <sub>13</sub> -ES <sub>13</sub>	H <sub>14</sub> -ES <sub>14</sub>
H <sub>21</sub> -ES <sub>21</sub>	H <sub>22</sub> -E	H <sub>23</sub> -ES <sub>23</sub>	H <sub>24</sub> -ES <sub>24</sub>
H <sub>31</sub> -ES <sub>31</sub>	H <sub>32</sub> -ES <sub>32</sub>	H <sub>33</sub> -E	H <sub>34</sub> -ES <sub>34</sub>
H <sub>41</sub> -ES <sub>4 1</sub>	H <sub>42</sub> -ES <sub>42</sub>	H <sub>43</sub> -ES <sub>43</sub>	H <sub>44</sub> -E

α-Ε	β	0	0
β	α -Ε	β	0
0	β	α -Ε	β
0	0	β	α -Ε



# Diagonalizzando la matrice si ottengono i seguenti autovalori:

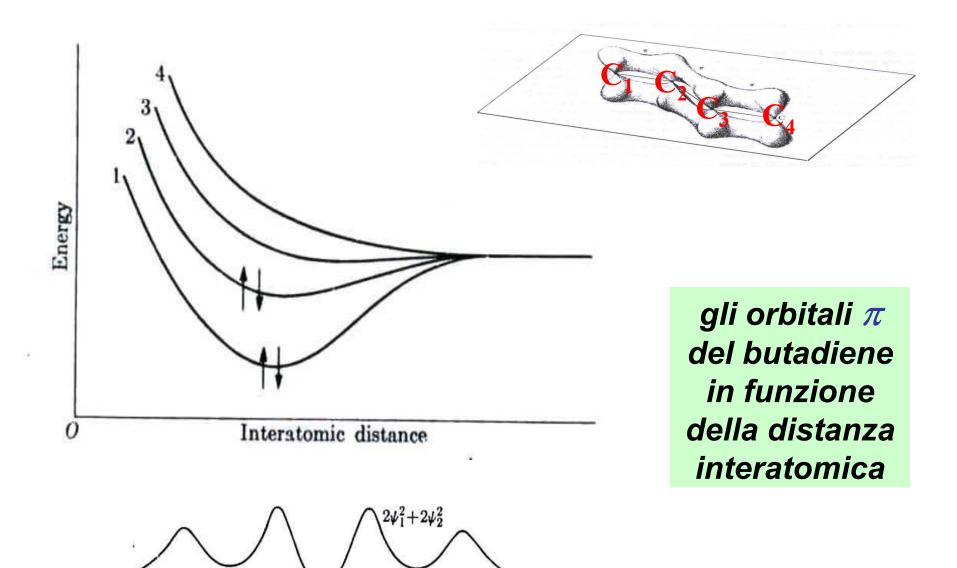
# Le funzioni d'onda corrispondenti sono:

$$E_{1} = \alpha + \beta \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \alpha + 1.62\beta$$

$$E_{2} = \alpha + \beta \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \alpha + 0.62\beta$$

$$E_{3} = \alpha - \beta \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \alpha - 0.62\beta$$

$$E_{4} = \alpha - \beta \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \alpha - 1.62\beta$$



 $C_4$ 

Fig. 5-27. Total probability distribution of  $\pi$ -electrons in butadiene.

 $C_3$ 

 $\tilde{C_2}$ 

 $C_1$