

7. Show that for H_2 molecule $\rho_{MO} > \rho_{VB}$ at the mid-point of the bond (in the ground state)

$$\rho_{MO} = \frac{(\phi_{1s}^a)^2 + (\phi_{1s}^b)^2 + 2\phi_{1s}^a \phi_{1s}^b}{1+S}$$

$$\rho_{VB} = \frac{(\phi_{1s}^a)^2 + (\phi_{1s}^b)^2 + 2S\phi_{1s}^a \phi_{1s}^b}{1+S^2}$$

Show how!

at mid-point $\phi_{1s}^a = \phi_{1s}^b$, call it ϕ_e

$$\rho_{MO} = 4\phi_e^2 / (1+S) \quad \rho_{VB} = \frac{2\phi_e^2(1+S)}{1+S^2}$$

$$\frac{\rho_{MO}}{\rho_{VB}} = 2 \frac{1+S^2}{(1+S)^2} \quad \text{with } 0 < S < 1 \dots \dots$$

Complete.

8. Compare the MO and VB function for the ${}^3\Sigma_u^+$ level of H_2 .

$$\Psi_{MO} = |\sigma_g \sigma_u| \sim \sigma_g(1)\sigma_u(2) - \sigma_u(1)\sigma_g(2)$$

$$\dots \sim \phi_{1s}^a(1)\phi_{1s}^b(2) - \phi_{1s}^b(1)\phi_{1s}^a(2)$$

Space part
Substituting for
 σ_g and σ_u
and simplifying.

This is same as the space part of the VB function for the triplet state.

~~Is it possible to~~ Can one write a simple VB function for the ${}^3\Sigma_u^+$ level? What about MO?