# Normal ↔ Local Modes: 6-Parameter Models

**Reading**: Chapter 9.4.12.5, *The Spectra and Dynamics of Diatomic Molecules*, H. Lefebvre-Brion and R. Field, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed., Academic Press, 2004.

Last time:

 $\omega_1, \tau, \omega_2$  (measure populations) experiment

 $(abcd) \xleftarrow{\omega_2} (AB) \xleftarrow{\omega_1} g$ 

two polyads. populations in (1234) depend on  $\tau$ .

could use  $f_k = \frac{\overline{E}_{\text{res},k}}{\overline{E}_{\text{res}}}$  to devise optimal plucks for more complex situations (choice of plucks and probes)

\* multiple resonances

\* more than 2 levels in polyad

Overtone Spectroscopy

nRH single resonance nRH + 1RH double resonance dynamics in frequency domain

### Today:

Classical Mechanics: 2 1 : 1 coupled local harmonic oscillators QM: Morse oscillator 2 Anharmonically Coupled Local Morse Oscillators  $H_{Local}^{eff}$ . Antagonism. Local vs. Normal.

Whenever you have two identical subsystems, energy will flow rapidly between them unless something special makes them dynamically different:

\* anharmonicity

\* interaction with surroundings

spontaneous symmetry - breaking

<u>Next time</u>:  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{Normal}}^{\text{eff}}$ .

Two coupled identical harmonic oscillators: Classical Mechanics

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{F}(P_R, P_L) + \mathcal{V}(Q_R, Q_L) \qquad (R = \text{Right, } L = \text{Left})$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \frac{1}{2}(P_R, P_L) \mathbf{G} \begin{pmatrix} P_R \\ P_L \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{geometry}}{\text{geometry}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \Big[ G_{rr} (P_R^2 + P_L^2) + 2G_{rr'} P_R P_L \Big]$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \frac{1}{2} (Q_R Q_L) \mathbf{F} \begin{pmatrix} Q_R \\ Q_L \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{fore}}{\text{constants}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \Big[ F_{rr} (Q_R^2 + Q_L^2) + 2F_{rr'} Q_R Q_L \Big]$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \Big[ \frac{1}{2} G_{rr} P_R^2 + \frac{1}{2} F_{rr} Q_R^2 \Big] + \Big[ \frac{1}{2} G_{rr} P_L^2 + \frac{1}{2} F_{rr} Q_L^2 \Big]$$

 $+G_{rr'}P_RP_L + F_{rr'}Q_RQ_L$ 

kinetic coupling

potential (anharmonic) coupling



$$F_{rr} = k$$

$$G_{rr} = \frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_3} = \frac{1}{m_2} + \frac{1}{m_3} = \frac{m_1 + m_3}{m_1 m_3} = \frac{1}{\mu}$$

$$F_{rr'} = k_{RL}$$

$$G_{rr'} = \frac{1}{m_3} \cos\phi$$
(projection of velocity of ③ for  
① - ③ stretch onto ③ - ②  
direction)

kinetic coupling gets small for large *m* or  $\phi = \pi/2$ 

Each harmonic oscillator has a natural frequency,  $\omega_0$ :

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \left[ F_{rr} G_{rr} \right]^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \left( \frac{k}{\mu} \right)^{1/2}$$

and the coupling is via 1 : 1 kinetic energy and potential energy coupling terms.

Uncouple by going to symmetric and anti-symmetric normal modes.

$$Q_{s} = 2^{-1/2}[Q_{R} + Q_{L}] \qquad Q_{a} = 2^{-1/2}[Q_{R} - Q_{L}]$$
$$P_{s} = 2^{-1/2}[P_{R} + P_{L}] \qquad P_{a} = 2^{-1/2}[P_{R} - P_{L}]$$

plug this into *H* and do the algebra

$$\mathcal{H} = \left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{\mu} + G_{rr'}\right)P_{s}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(k + k_{RL})Q_{s}^{2}\right] + \left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{\mu} - G_{rr'}\right)P_{a}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(k - k_{RL})Q_{a}^{2}\right]$$
no coupling term!

$$\omega_s = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\mu} + G_{rr'} \right) (k + k_{RL}) \right]^{1/2}$$
$$\omega_a = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\mu} - G_{rr'} \right) (k - k_{RL}) \right]^{1/2}$$

simplify to  $\omega_s = \omega_0 + \beta + \lambda$  $\omega_a = \omega_0 + \beta - \lambda$ 

(algebra, not power series)



sign of  $\lambda$  determined by whether potential or kinetic coupling is larger (or by the signs of  $k_{\text{RL}}$  and  $G_{\text{rr'}}$ ).

#### Morse Oscillator

The Morse oscillator has a physically appropriate and mathematically convenient form. It turns out to give a vastly more convenient representation of an anharmonic vibration than

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{2}f_{rr}x^{2} + \frac{1}{6}f_{rrr}x^{3} + \frac{1}{24}f_{rrrr}x^{4}$$

treated by perturbation theory.

$$V_{\text{Morse}}(r) = D_e [1 - e^{-ar}]^2$$
  $(V(0) = 0, V(\infty) = D_e)$   
 $r = R - R_e$ 

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Power series expansion of  $V_{\text{Morse}}(r) = \frac{1}{2} (2a^2 D_e) r^2 - \frac{1}{6} (6a^3 D_e) r^3 + \frac{1}{24} (14a^4 D_e) r^4$ .

If we use

$$\begin{split} f_{rr} &= 2a^2 D_e \\ f_{rrr} &= -6a^3 D_e \\ f_{rrrr} &= 14a^4 D_e \end{split}$$

in the framework of nondengenerate perturbation theory, we get much better results than we expect or deserve.

Why? Because the energy levels of a Morse oscillator have a very simple form:

$$E_{\text{Morse}}(v)/hc = E_0^{\text{Morse}}/hc + \omega_m(v+1/2) + x_m(v+1/2)^2$$

and an exact solution for the energy levels gives

$$E_0^{\text{Morse}} = 0$$
  

$$\omega_m = \frac{1}{2\pi c} \left(\frac{2a^2 D_e}{\mu}\right)^{1/2} \qquad \mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$
  

$$x_m = -\frac{a^2 \hbar}{4\pi c \mu}$$

we get the exact same relationship between (D<sub>e</sub>,a) and  $(E_0^{\text{Morse}}, \omega_m, x_m)$  by perturbation theory (with a twist)

This works better than we could ever have hoped, and therefore we should never look a gift horse in the mouth. We always use Morse rather than an arbitrary power series representation of V(r). Sometimes we even use a power series  $\sum_{n} a_n [1 - \exp(-ar)]^n$ .

Armed with this simplification, consider **two anharmonically coupled local stretch oscillators**. WHY? What promotes or inhibits energy flow between two identical subsystems?

- \* ubiquitous
- \* Local and Normal Mode Pictures are opposite limiting cases
- \* **H**<sup>eff</sup> contains antagonistic terms that preserve and destroy limiting behavior
- \* the roles are reversed for  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{Local}}^{\text{eff}}$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{Normal}}^{\text{eff}}$

See Section 9.4.12.3 of HLB-RWF Extremely complicated algebra

- 1.  $\mathbf{H}^{\text{Local}}$  defined identically to  $\mathscr{H}^{\text{Local}}$ , but with diagonal anharmonicity.
- 2. Convert to dimensionless **P**, **Q**, **H** and then to  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a}^{\dagger}$ .
- 3. exploit the convenient  $V(\mathbf{Q}) \leftrightarrow E(v)$  properties of  $V^{Morse}$ .
- 4. van Vleck transformation to account for the effect of out of polyad coupling terms from  $[G_{rr}\mathbf{P}_{R}\mathbf{P}_{L} + k_{RL}\mathbf{Q}_{R}\mathbf{Q}_{L}]$  BUT NOT from V<sup>Morse</sup>.
- 5. Simplest possible fit model relationships (constraints) between fit parameters imposed by the identical Morse oscillator model.
- 6. Next time transformation from  $\mathbf{H}^{\text{Local}}$  to  $\mathbf{H}^{\text{Normal}}$

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$$\mathbf{H}^{\text{Local}} = \left[\frac{1}{2\mu}\mathbf{P}_{R}^{2} + \frac{1}{2\mu}\mathbf{Q}_{R}^{2} + V^{anh}(\mathbf{Q}_{R})\right]$$
$$+ \left[\frac{1}{2\mu}\mathbf{P}_{L}^{2} + \frac{1}{2\mu}\mathbf{Q}_{L}^{2} + V^{anh}(\mathbf{Q}_{L})\right]$$
$$+ \frac{G_{rr'}\mathbf{P}_{R}\mathbf{P}_{L} + k_{RL}\mathbf{Q}_{R}\mathbf{Q}_{L}}{\mathbf{V}^{anh}(\mathbf{Q})} = V_{\text{Morse}}(\mathbf{Q}) - \frac{1}{2}k\mathbf{Q}^{2}$$

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This enables us to use Harmonic-Oscillators for basis set but Morse simplification for the separate local oscillators.

We are going to expand  $V^{anh}(\mathbf{Q})$  and keep only the  $\mathbf{Q}^3$  and  $\mathbf{Q}^4$  terms and treat them, respectively, by second-order and first-order perturbation theory, as we did for the simple Morse oscillator.

$$\mathbf{H}^{\text{Local}} = \mathbf{h}_{R}^{(0)} + \mathbf{h}_{L}^{(0)} + \mathbf{h}_{R}^{(1)} + \mathbf{h}_{L}^{(1)} + \mathbf{H}_{RL}^{(1)}$$

First 2 lines of  $\mathbf{H}^{\text{Local}}$  are polyad, third line is out of polyad.

4.

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}_{\text{Local}}^{\text{eff}} = |v_R v_L\rangle \langle v_R v_L| \left\{ \left( v_R + v_L + 1 \right) \left[ 1 - \frac{(D-C)^2}{8} \right] + \frac{F}{2} \left[ \left( v_R + v_L + 1 \right)^2 + \left( v_R - v_L \right)^2 \right] \right\} + |v_R \pm 1, v_L \mp 1 \rangle \langle v_R v_L| \left\{ \frac{D+C}{2} \left[ \left( v_r + 1/2 \pm 1/2 \right) \left( v_L + 1/2 \mp 1/2 \right) \right]^{1/2} \right\}$$

 $\frac{F}{2}(v_R - v_L)^2$  tries to preserve local mode limit. The  $\frac{D+C}{2}$  coupling term tries to destroy the local mode limit.

Polyad  $P = v_R + v_L$ 

Overall width of polyad:  $E_{(P/2,P/2)}^{(0)} - E_{(O,P)}^{(0)} = -\frac{F}{2}P^2$  (F < 0)

(0,P) and (P,0) are at low energy extreme because of anharmonicity:  $\omega(v+1/2) - |x|(v+1/2)^2$ . Off-diagonal matrix elements are smallest between  $(0,P) \sim (1,P-1)$ 

and 
$$(P,0) \sim (P-1,1)$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{(0,P)(1,P-1)}^{(1)} = \left(\frac{D+C}{2}\right) P^{1/2}$$

Off diagonal matrix elements are largest between  $(P/2, P/2) \sim (P/2 - 1, P/2 + 1)$ 

$$\mathbf{H}_{(P/2,P/2)(P/2-1,P/2+1)}^{(1)} = \left(\frac{D+C}{2}\right) \left[(P/2)(P/2+1)\right]^{1/2}$$

larger by a factor of  $[(P/4)+1/2]^{1/2}$ .

Themas

## 5. General (minimal fit model)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_{\text{Local}}^{\text{eff}} / hc &= |v_R v_L\rangle \langle v_R v_L | \left\{ \omega_R (v_R + 1/2) + \omega_L (v_L + 1/2) \right. \\ &+ x_R (v_R + 1/2)^2 + x_L (v_L + 1/2)^2 + x_{RL} (v_R + 1/2) (v_L + 1/2) \right\} \\ &+ |v_R \pm 1, v_L \mp 1\rangle \langle v_R v_L | \left\{ (H_{RL} / hc) [(v_R + 1/2 \pm 1/2) (v_L + 1/2 \mp 1/2)]^{1/2} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

But, in the two identical 1 : 1 coupled Morse local oscillator picture

$$\omega_R = \omega_L = \omega_M \left[ 1 - \frac{(D-C)^2}{8} \right] = \omega'$$

$$x_R = x_L = x_M = -\frac{a^2\hbar}{4\pi c\mu}$$

$$x_{RL} = 0$$

$$H_{RL}/hc = \omega_M \left[ \frac{D+C}{2} \right]$$