

# Electronic States of *para*-Benzoquinone. I. Calculation of the Energy Levels by a Semi-empirical Molecular Orbital Method Neglecting Configuration Interaction

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## Introduction

The electronic structure and the spectrum of *p*-benzoquinone have been studied by many workers. Evans et al.<sup>1)</sup> as well as Basu<sup>2)</sup> have discussed the oxidation-reduction potential of this molecule with reference to  $\pi$ -electron structure. Absorption spectrum in vapor phase was studied by Light<sup>3)</sup> and Seshan<sup>4)</sup> and solution-spectrum data are also available<sup>5)</sup>. Fixl and Schauenstein, whose paper we can see in only a brief abstract form<sup>6)</sup>, studied the absorption spectrum of the *p*-benzoquinone crystal using the polarized light and showed that in the region of 23,000-cm<sup>-1</sup> (ca. 4,500 Å) absorption band this molecule absorbs the light polarized along the long axis more intensely than the light polarized along the short axis. Recently, Sidman<sup>7)</sup> has also investigated the *p*-benzoquinone crystal in wider wavelength region than Fixl and Schauenstein and arrived at the conclusion concerning the direction of polarization opposed to that of Fixl and Schauenstein. From the solvent effect of the absorption spectrum, McConnell<sup>8)</sup> as well as Nagakura and Kuboyama<sup>9)</sup> concluded that the absorption near 4,500 Å was due to an  $n$ - $\pi$  transition while the absorption around 3,000 Å was due to a  $\pi$ - $\pi$

transition. Nagakura and Kuboyama<sup>9)</sup> have also calculated the electronic structure of this molecule using the naive empirical molecular orbital(MO) method based on the one-electron approximation.

On the other hand the semi-empirical MO method proposed by Pariser and Parr<sup>10)</sup> has been applied by various authors<sup>11-13)</sup> to the elucidation of the  $\pi$ -electronic structures and spectra of conjugated hydrocarbons and heteromolecules and has proved to be very useful. Kon<sup>13)</sup> has calculated the electronic states of *p*-benzoquinone combining this method with the self-consistent field method of Roothaan<sup>14)</sup>. In these previous works only the  $\pi$ -electrons have been taken explicitly into the electronic interaction term in the Hamiltonian and the so-called non-bonding electrons ( $n$ -electrons) localized at the heteroatoms, in the case of the heteromolecules, have been considered implicitly in the core. Therefore, no information about the excited states of the heteromolecules due to the excitation of  $n$ -electrons have been obtained. Thus, in spite of the usefulness of Pariser and Parr's method in explaining the  $\pi$ -electronic structure of conjugated molecules, there has been no attempt to apply this method to the problems of the excitation of  $n$ -electrons.

In the present series of papers, both the theoretical and the experimental studies in the electronic states of *p*-benzoquinone will be reported. As the first part of this series, the calculation of energy levels of this molecule by the semi-empirical MO method due to Pariser and Parr will be

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given taking account of the  $n$ -electrons explicitly as well as  $\pi$ -electrons into the electronic interaction term in the Hamiltonian.

### Outline of the Theory<sup>14a)</sup>

In our approximation the Hamiltonian operator will be expressed in the form

$$H = H_{\text{core}} + (1/2) \sum_{i \neq j} (e^2/r_{ij}), \quad (1)$$

where  $e^2/r_{ij}$  is the electrostatic repulsion between electrons  $i$  and  $j$ , and

$$H_{\text{core}} = \sum_i H_{\text{core}}(i), \quad (2)$$

where

$$H_{\text{core}}(i) = T(i) + U_{\text{core}}(i), \quad (3)$$

in which  $T(i)$  is the kinetic energy operator for electron  $i$  and  $U_{\text{core}}(i)$  is the potential energy operator for this electron in the field of the core. It should be noted that the  $n$ -electrons are considered explicitly apart from the core; i. e.,  $i$  and  $j$  denote any one of  $\pi$ - or  $n$ -electrons.

14a) Note added in proof — In the case of  $p$ -benzoquinone for which the application of the theory is intended in the present paper, descriptions concerning the integral of the type  $(pp | q^n q^n)$  in the present and the following sections are correct only when both  $p$  and  $q$  lie on the  $y$ -axis (Fig. 1). When  $p$  refers to a carbon atom which is not on the  $y$ -axis and  $q$  refers to an oxygen atom  $(pp | q^n q^n)$  may be expressed as

$$(pp | q^n q^n) = \cos^2 \theta (pp | q^n q^n) + \sin^2 \theta (pp | q^\sigma q^\sigma), \quad (P1)$$

where  $p$  is the  $2p\pi$  AO of atom  $p$  and  $q^n$  is the  $2p$  AO of atom  $q$  nodal plane of which is perpendicular to the molecular plane and containing the  $y$ -axis.  $q^\sigma$  and  $q^\pi$  represent  $2p$  AO's of atom  $q$  whose nodal planes are perpendicular to the molecular plane and containing and perpendicular to the  $pq$ -direction, respectively.  $\theta$  is an angle between  $pq$ -direction and the  $y$ -axis. It may be clear that it is for  $(pp | q^\pi q^\pi)$  in Eq. (P1) that the extrapolation formula presented in this paper (see especially Eq. (17)) applies. For  $(pp | q^\sigma q^\sigma)$  it can be shown that following extrapolation formula applies from a similar reasoning as that used by Pariser and Parr (ref. 10b) for  $(pp | qq)$ :

$$(pp | q^\sigma q^\sigma) - (1/2) [(pp | p^\sigma p^\sigma) + (qq | q^\sigma q^\sigma)] = a'' r^2 + b'' r, \quad (P2)$$

One-center integrals  $(pp | p^\sigma p^\sigma)$  and  $(qq | q^\sigma q^\sigma)$  are identical with  $(pp | p^\pi p^\pi)$  and  $(qq | q^\pi q^\pi)$ , respectively. If  $a''$  and  $b''$  are determined from values of one-center integrals derived from atomic spectral data and the theoretical values of  $(pp | q^\sigma q^\sigma)$  at 2.80 and 4.14 Å Eq. (P2) becomes

$$(pp | q^\sigma q^\sigma) \text{ (in ev)} = 11.23 - 2.81589r + 0.227815r^2, \quad (P3)$$

where  $r$  is in Å. We use Eq. (P3) in obtaining  $(pp | q^\sigma q^\sigma)$  when  $r_{pq} < 2.80$  Å and when  $r_{pq} > 2.80$  Å we use theoretical value for  $(pp | q^\sigma q^\sigma)$ . Thus, using the molecular dimension shown in Fig. 2, it follows that

$$(C_1 C_1 | O^n_1 O^n_1) = 5.691 \text{ ev},$$

$$(C_2 C_2 | O^n_1 O^n_1) = 3.958 \text{ ev}.$$

These values should be used instead of those included in Table III. Fortunately, the changes in the value of these integrals over AO's are small. Moreover, it can be shown that such a change does not affect the energies of those configurations which are produced by "pure  $\pi$ - $\pi$  transitions" from the ground configuration when the energy of the ground configuration is taken as the reference. Even in the other cases changes of the configurational energies amount only to a few thousandths which are within the computational errors. Therefore, corrections of Fig. 3 may be unnecessary.

The MO  $\phi_i$  will be taken to be the orthonormal linear combination of atomic orbitals  $\chi_p$  on the several nuclei:

$$\phi_i = \sum_p C_{ip} \chi_p. \quad (4)$$

As we are considering  $n$ -electrons as well as  $\pi$ -electrons it will be convenient to distinguish between  $\pi$ -atomic orbital (AO) and the so-called non-bonding orbital ( $n$ -orbital). The former is one of  $2p$ -AO's and has its node in the molecular plane and is represented by  $\chi_p$  without superscript. In the case of the  $p$ -benzoquinone molecule each  $n$ -orbital is the  $2p$ -orbital of the oxygen atom, the node of which is in a plane perpendicular to the molecular plane and containing the C-O axis. These  $n$ -orbitals will be represented by  $\chi_p^n$  with a superscript  $n$ . Subscript  $p$  denotes the atom to which the AO  $\chi_p$  refers. Neglecting formally the differential overlap, the configurational energies and the interaction matrix elements among different configurations are expressible in terms of the core integrals over AO's and the coulomb interaction integrals over AO's of the following form:

$$(pp | qq) = \iint \chi_p^*(1) \chi_p(1) (e^2/r_{12}) \chi_q^*(2) \chi_q(2) dv_1 dv_2, \quad (5)$$

and

$$(pp | q^n q^n) = \iint \chi_p^*(1) \chi_p(1) (e^2/r_{12}) \chi_q^{n*}(2) \chi_q^n(2) dv_1 dv_2. \quad (6)$$

The evaluation of the integral of the type (5) has been discussed by Pariser and Parr<sup>10)</sup>. We shall describe the method for evaluation of the latter type of integrals. If the distance between  $p$  and  $q$  is fairly great,  $(pp | q^n q^n)$  will be evaluated fairly correctly using the Slater AO's as  $\chi$ 's. If  $p$  and  $q$  are close to each other,

15) The following abbreviations are used:

$$(4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det} \{ (\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4 \}$$

$$= (1/4!)^{\frac{1}{2}} \begin{vmatrix} (\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^1 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^1 (\chi_q^n \beta)^1 \\ (\chi_p \alpha)^2 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^2 (\chi_q^n \beta)^2 \\ (\chi_p \alpha)^3 (\chi_q \beta)^3 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^3 \\ (\chi_p \alpha)^4 (\chi_q \beta)^4 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^4 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4 \end{vmatrix}, \text{ etc.,}$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the usual spin functions and should not be confused with the similar symbols for the core integrals. Superscript  $i$  ( $i=1,2,3,4$ ) indicates that the variable in the spin orbital function to which  $i$  refers is the coordinate of the  $i$ -th electron.

$(pp | q^n q^n)$  must be extrapolated using atomic data just as for  $(pp | qq)$ .

Let us consider a four-electron double  $\pi$ -bond between atoms  $p$  and  $q$ . The covalent structure with two good bonds is expressed as a superposition of the following wave functions<sup>15)</sup>:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Phi_1 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_2 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \beta)^3 (\chi_q^n \alpha)^4\} \\ \Phi_3 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \beta)^1 (\chi_q \alpha)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_4 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \beta)^1 (\chi_q \alpha)^2 (\chi_p^n \beta)^3 (\chi_q^n \alpha)^4\} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (7)$$

While the singly ionic structure with unit positive charge on atom  $q$  and with a single covalent bond is described in terms of the following functions:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Phi_5 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_p^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_6 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \beta)^1 (\chi_q \alpha)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_p^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_7 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_p \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_8 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_p \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \beta)^3 (\chi_q^n \alpha)^4\} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8)$$

the reversed singly ionic structure with unit positive charge on atom  $p$  and not on  $q$  is described by the following functions:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Phi_9 &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_q^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_{10} &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \beta)^1 (\chi_q \alpha)^2 (\chi_q^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_{11} &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_q \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_p^n \beta)^4\} \\ \Phi_{12} &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_q \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \beta)^3 (\chi_q^n \alpha)^4\} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (9)$$

On the other hand

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Phi_{13} &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_p \alpha)^1 (\chi_p \beta)^2 (\chi_p^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_p^n \beta)^4\} \\ \text{and} \\ \Phi_{14} &= (4!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \text{Det}\{(\chi_q \alpha)^1 (\chi_q \beta)^2 (\chi_q^n \alpha)^3 (\chi_q^n \beta)^4\} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (10)$$

represent doubly ionic structures  $p^{--}q^{++}$  and  $p^{--}q^{--}$ , respectively.

In Eqs. (7)–(10)  $\chi_p, \chi_q, \chi_p^n$  and  $\chi_q^n$  are “ $\pi$ -orbitals” of atoms  $p$  and  $q$ , the nodal planes of  $\chi_p$  and  $\chi_q$  being perpendicular to those of  $\chi_p^n$  and  $\chi_q^n$ . Since in this system

$$H = \sum_{i=1}^4 H_{\text{core}}(i) + (1/2) \sum_{i \neq j=1}^4 (e^2/r_{ij}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \chi_p^*(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_p(1) dv_1 \\ &= \int \chi_p^{n*}(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_p^n(1) dv_1 \equiv \alpha_p, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \chi_q^*(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_q(1) dv_1 \\ &= \int \chi_q^{n*}(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_q^n(1) dv_1 \equiv \alpha_q, \end{aligned}$$

the matrix elements for the determination of the energy are

$$\begin{aligned} H_{1,1} &= H_{2,2} = H_{3,3} = H_{4,4} = 2\alpha_p + 2\alpha_q \\ &+ 2(pp | qq) + 2(pp | q^n q^n) \\ &+ (pp | p^n p^n) + (qq | q^n q^n) \\ &- (1/2)(pp^n | pp^n) - (1/2)(qq^n | qq^n) \\ &- (pq^n | pq^n) \\ H_{5,5} &= H_{6,6} = H_{7,7} = H_{8,8} = 3\alpha_p + \alpha_q \\ &+ (pp | qq) + (pp | pp) + 2(pp | p^n p^n) \\ &+ 2(pp | q^n q^n) - (pp^n | pp^n) \\ &- (pq^n | pq^n) \\ H_{9,9} &= H_{10,10} = H_{11,11} = H_{12,12} = \alpha_p + 3\alpha_q \\ &+ (pp | qq) + (qq | qq) + 2(pp | q^n q^n) \\ &+ 2(qq | q^n q^n) - (pq^n | pq^n) \\ &- (qq^n | qq^n) \\ H_{13,13} &= 4\alpha_p + 2(pp | pp) + 4(pp | p^n p^n) \\ &- 2(pp^n | pp^n) \\ H_{14,14} &= 4\alpha_q + 2(qq | qq) + 4(qq | q^n q^n) \\ &- 2(qq^n | qq^n) \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where  $H_{i,i} = \int \Phi_i^* H \Phi_i dv$ .

From these equations one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} & (1/2)(H_{5,5} + H_{9,9}) - H_{1,1} \\ &= (1/2)\{(pp | pp) + (qq | qq)\} - (pp | qq). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

The left-hand side of this equation should become zero when  $r_{pq} \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore, the right-hand side of (12) may be represented as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & (pp | qq) - (1/2)\{(pp | pp) \\ &+ (qq | qq)\} = ar^2 + br. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

This equation is identical with that obtained by Pariser and Parr<sup>10)</sup> and may be used for the determination of  $(pp | qq)$  at moderate internuclear distances using the values of one-center integrals obtained from atomic data and  $(pp | qq)$ -values at

large internuclear distances calculated theoretically.

Moreover, one obtains from (11)

$$\begin{aligned} (H_{13,13} + H_{14,14}) - 2H_{1,1} = & \{2(\phi\phi | \phi\phi) \\ & + 2(qq | qq) - 4(\phi\phi | qq) + \{2(\phi\phi | \phi^n\phi^n) \\ & + 2(qq | q^nq^n) - 4(\phi\phi | q^nq^n) \\ & + \{2(\phi q^n | \phi q^n) - (\phi\phi^n | \phi\phi^n) - (qq^n | qq^n)\}. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Let us consider the case where  $r_{pq}=0$ . In this case, it holds that<sup>15a)</sup>

$$(\phi q^n | \phi q^n) = (\phi\phi^n | qq^n). \quad (14')$$

Therefore the right-hand side of (14) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} - (3/2) \{2(\phi\phi | qq) - (\phi\phi | \phi\phi) - (qq | qq)\} \\ - (5/2) \{2(\phi\phi | q^nq^n) - (\phi\phi | \phi^n\phi^n) \\ - (qq | q^nq^n)\}, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where the following relation which holds among integrals over Slater AO's was used:

$$2(\phi\phi^n | qq^n) = (\phi\phi | qq) - (\phi\phi | q^nq^n). \quad (16)$$

Since from (12) the first term of (15) becomes zero when  $r_{pq}=0$ , the second term of (15) should also be zero in this case, because the left-hand side of (14) becomes zero. Therefore, the approximate analytical expression of the following form may apply for the expression in the second bracket of (15):

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi\phi | q^nq^n) - (1/2) \{(\phi\phi | \phi^n\phi^n) \\ + (qq | q^nq^n)\} = a'r^2 + b'r. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

15a) Using Slater AO's it can be shown that this equality holds accurately only when  $Z_p$  and  $Z_q$  (the effective nuclear charges) are equal to each other. More generally we obtain when  $r_{pq}=0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(\phi q^n | \phi q^n) - (\phi\phi^n | qq^n)}{(\phi q^n | \phi q^n)} = 1 - \left\{ \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{Z_p}{Z_q} + \frac{Z_q}{Z_p} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{36} \left( \frac{Z_p^2}{Z_q^2} + \frac{Z_q^2}{Z_p^2} \right) \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (N1)$$

if we use Slater AO's and we assume that the effective nuclear charge for  $x_p$  is equal to that for  $x_p^n$  and the same applies to  $x_q$  and  $x_q^n$ . If  $Z_p=Z_q$  the right-hand side of (N1) becomes zero, therefore  $(\phi q^n | \phi q^n)$  is exactly equal to  $(\phi\phi^n | qq^n)$  as stated above. It is true that in the heteropolar case ( $Z_p \neq Z_q$ ) the right-hand side of (N1) is not equal to zero, but it is nearly equal to zero. For example, if we take the carbon and fluorine atoms as  $p$  and  $q$ , respectively, the right-hand side of (N1) becomes  $-0.0827$ , using  $Z_C=3.25$  and  $Z_F=5.20$ . This is an extremely heteropolar case and the right-hand side of (N1) is usually much smaller. Moreover, in the right-hand side of (14)  $(\phi\phi^n | \phi\phi^n)$  is much smaller than either  $(\phi\phi | \phi\phi)$  or  $(\phi\phi | \phi^n\phi^n)$ ,  $(qq^n | qq^n)$  is much smaller than either  $(qq | qq)$  or  $(qq | q^nq^n)$  and  $(\phi q^n | \phi q^n) \approx (\phi\phi^n | qq^n)$  is much smaller than either  $(\phi\phi | qq)$  or  $(\phi\phi | q^nq^n)$ . Therefore the use of (14') does not bring any serious errors in the arguments for the validity of (17).

Equation (17) may be used to determine  $(\phi\phi | q^nq^n)$  in just the same way as (13) was used for  $(\phi\phi | qq)$ .

### Evaluation of the Coulomb Integrals Over AO's

In order to calculate the integrals which are needed in the calculation of the energy levels of *p*-benzoquinone from Eqs. (13) and (17), one-center integrals of the type  $(\phi\phi | \phi\phi)$  and  $(\phi\phi | \phi^n\phi^n)$  must be evaluated, where  $\phi$  denotes the carbon or the oxygen atoms. The values of these integrals for the oxygen atom were taken from Fumi and Parr's paper<sup>16)</sup>, where these were obtained from the analysis of the atomic spectral data.

One-center integrals over carbon atomic orbitals were determined from an analysis of the valence states of C, C<sup>+</sup> and C<sup>-</sup>. The energies of these valence states were obtained by Skinner and Pritchard<sup>17)</sup> from the Mulliken-type treatment of the atomic spectral data. The location of these valence states in energy is given in Table I, taking the ground state of the neutral carbon atom as reference.

TABLE I  
ENERGIES OF SOME OF THE SPECTROSCOPIC  
AND VALENCE STATES OF C, C<sup>+</sup> AND C<sup>-</sup> (eV.)

State	Energy <sup>a)</sup>
C <sup>+</sup> (syz, $V_3$ )	19.68
C <sup>+</sup> ( $s^2p$ , $^2P$ )	11.26
C(sxyz, $V_4$ )	8.14
C <sup>-</sup> ( $sx^2yz$ , $V_3$ )	7.68
C( $s^2p^2$ , $^3P$ )	0.00
C <sup>-</sup> ( $s^2p^2$ , $^4S$ )	-1.7

a) The figures in this column were obtained from energies of valence states, ionization potentials and electron affinities listed in reference 17 in text taking the ground state of the neutral carbon atom as zero.

Let us consider the following equation relating the theoretical and the experimental energy change for the dissociation process:

$$\begin{aligned} 2C(sxyz, V_4) \rightarrow C^+(syz, V_3) + C^-(sx^2yz, V_3) \\ \Delta E = (\phi\phi | \phi\phi) = 11.08 \text{ eV.}, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

where the "experimental side" was taken from Table I. On the other hand, the following equation holds:

$$(\phi\phi^n | \phi\phi^n) = 3G_2,$$

where  $G_2$  is the Slater-Condon parameter,

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TABLE II  
MOLECULAR ORBITALS AND ORBITAL ENERGIES OF *p*-BENZOQUINONE  
(Orbital energies are in units of  $\beta_{CC}$  benzene)

$\phi_1(B_{1u}) = 0.47584(x_{O_1} + x_{O_2}) + 0.38010(x_{C_1} + x_{C_2}) + 0.25406(x_{C_1}' + x_{C_2}' + x_{C_1}'' + x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_1 = 6.259$
$\phi_2(B_{3g}) = 0.60166(x_{O_1} - x_{O_2}) + 0.34963(x_{C_1} - x_{C_2}) + 0.08877(x_{C_1}' - x_{C_2}' + x_{C_1}'' - x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_2 = 6.041$
$\phi_3(B_{1u}) = 0.47112(x_{O_1} + x_{O_2}) - 0.10035(x_{C_1} + x_{C_2}) - 0.36604(x_{C_1}' + x_{C_2}' + x_{C_1}'' + x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_3 = 5.247$
$\phi_4(B_{2g}) = 0.50000(x_{C_1}' + x_{C_2}' - x_{C_1}'' - x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_4 = 5.02$
$\phi_5(B_{3g}) = 0.35339(x_{O_1} - x_{O_2}) - 0.46481(x_{C_1} - x_{C_2}) - 0.28202(x_{C_1}' - x_{C_2}' + x_{C_1}'' - x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_5 = 4.145$
$\phi_6(B_{1u}) = 0.22730(x_{O_1} + x_{O_2}) - 0.58775(x_{C_1} + x_{C_2}) + 0.22680(x_{C_1}' + x_{C_2}' + x_{C_1}'' + x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_6 = 2.874$
$\phi_7(A_u) = 0.50000(x_{C_1}' - x_{C_2}' - x_{C_1}'' + x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_7 = 2.78$
$\phi_8(B_{3g}) = 0.11470(x_{O_1} - x_{O_2}) - 0.40212(x_{C_1} - x_{C_2}) + 0.40320(x_{C_1}' - x_{C_2}' + x_{C_1}'' - x_{C_2}'')$	$\epsilon_8 = 1.954$
$\phi_{n1}(B_{3u}) = (1/\sqrt{2})(x_{O_1}'' + x_{O_2}'')$	$\epsilon_{n1} = 5.46^a$
$\phi_{n2}(B_{1g}) = (1/\sqrt{2})(x_{O_1}'' - x_{O_2}'')$	$\epsilon_{n2} = 5.46^a$

- a) The electronegativities of the carbon and the oxygen atoms are 2.5 and 3.5, respectively (L. Pauling, "The Nature of the Chemical Bond", Corronell University Press, Ithaca, New York (1940), p. 64). From this the coulomb integral at the oxygen atom is found to be 5.46  $\beta_{CC}$  benzene (see ref. 22 in text), which is taken as the value of the orbital energy of  $\phi_{n1}$  and  $\phi_{n2}$  since the resonance integrals between two oxygen atoms is expected to be small.

the value of which is determined to be  $1,665 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  by Skinner and Pritchard<sup>17)</sup> from the least square treatment of the energy levels of the carbon atom. Thus, one obtains

$$(pp'' | pp'') = 0.619 \text{ eV.} \quad (19)$$

From (18) and (19) and using (16) one obtains

$$(pp | p''p'') = 9.84 \text{ eV.}$$

All the coulomb integrals over AO's were calculated for  $r_{pq} > 2.80 \text{ \AA}$  from Roothaan's formula<sup>18,19)</sup> using the effective nuclear charge of 3.25 and 4.55 for the carbon and oxygen atoms, respectively. For  $r_{pq} < 2.80 \text{ \AA}$ , they were obtained from Eqs. (13) and (17) in which the coefficients  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $a'$  and  $b'$  were obtained from the one-center integral values obtained above and theoretically-calculated  $(pp | qq)$ - and  $(pp | q''q'')$ - values at  $r_{pq} = 2.80$  and  $4.14 \text{ \AA}$ . Thus the following formulas were obtained:

$$\begin{aligned} (CC | OO) &= 12.80 - 3.8837 r + 0.39142 r^2 \\ (CC | O''O'') &= 11.23 - 2.9506 r + 0.25760 r^2, \\ (CC | C'C')^{20)} &= 11.08 - 2.9226 r \\ &\quad + 0.26203 r^2 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

where  $r$  is the internuclear distance in  $\text{\AA}$  and the values of the integrals may be obtained in eV.

### Application to Para-benzoquinone

In order to apply the present method to a particular molecule, MO's must be expressed linearly in terms of AO's. As we are neglecting the configuration interaction, the choice of the MO's may be important. From the results of previous works on hydrocarbons the recommended MO to be used is that which is self-consistent for the ground state or that which is derived from the naive Hückel-type treatment<sup>11,12)</sup>. For simplicity we use the latter type of MO. Of course, in contrast with the case of hydrocarbons, in the case of heteromolecules such as *p*-benzoquinone these MO's will be dependent on the assumed values of  $\alpha$ 's and  $\beta$ 's<sup>21)</sup>. The calculation of the orbital coefficient was made using the assumptions described elsewhere<sup>22)</sup>. The MO's thus obtained are shown in Table II where the designation of the atoms given in Fig. 1 are used. The designation of the coordinate axes is also given in the figure. Then, the symmetry notations are the same as those given by Herzberg<sup>23)</sup>. In Table II the orbital energies are also listed in units of  $\beta_{CC}$  benzene<sup>21)</sup>.

Coulomb integrals over AO's were determined as described above and are shown in Table III, the values of the internuclear distances used being shown in Fig. 2.

21)  $\alpha$ 's and  $\beta$ 's mentioned here are the coulomb and the resonance integrals used in the naive MO method and should not be confused with the core integrals in Pariser and Parr's scheme.

22) T. Anno and A. Sadô, This Bulletin, **28**, 350 (1955).

23) G. Herzberg, "Infrared and Raman Spectra of Polyatomic Molecules", D. Van Nostrand Co., New York (1945), p. 108.

18) C. C. J. Roothaan, *J. Chem. Phys.*, **19**, 1445 (1951).

19) See Appendix I.

20) C' denotes the carbon atom different from that which is represented by C.

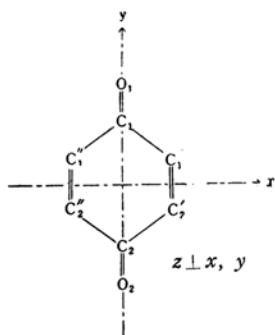


Fig. 1. Designation of the atoms and the coordinate axes in *p*-benzoquinone.

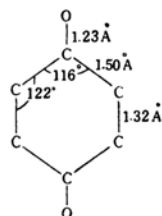


Fig. 2. Internuclear distances and bond angles in *p*-benzoquinone<sup>a</sup>.

a) S. M. Swingle, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **76**, 1409 (1954).

TABLE III

THE VALUES OF THE VALENCE-STATE IONIZATION POTENTIAL<sup>a</sup> AND THE COULOMB INTERACTION INTEGRALS OVER AO's<sup>b</sup> (eV).

$W_{2p\pi}^C$	11.54	(CC   O <sup>n</sup> O <sup>n</sup> ) <sup>c</sup>	
$W_{2p\pi}^O$	17.21	$r_{CO}=1.23 \text{ Å}$	7.991
$W_{2p\pi}^O$	14.75	2.391	5.648
(CC   C'C')		3.5785	3.949
$r_{CC'}=0 \text{ Å}$	11.08	(OO   O'O')	
1.32	7.679	$r_{OO'}=0 \text{ Å}$	14.52
1.50	7.286	5.370	2.667
2.468	5.463	(OO   O''O'')	
2.544	5.341	$r_{OO''}=0 \text{ Å}$	12.62
2.866	4.846	5.370	2.666
(CC   OO)			
$r_{CO}=1.23 \text{ Å}$	8.615		
2.391	5.752		
3.5785	3.951		
4.140	3.430		

a) Taken from reference 17 in text.

b) For  $r < 2.80 \text{ Å}$  the values are obtained from Eq. (20). For  $r > 2.80 \text{ Å}$  calculated values using Slater AO's with  $Z_C=3.25$  and  $Z_O=4.55$  are given. One-center integrals are obtained from the analysis of atomic spectral data.

c) Note added in proof—See footnote 14a.

The values of the core integrals  $\alpha$ 's were calculated from the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{C_1} = & \int \chi_{C_1}^*(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_{C_1}(1) dv_1 \\ = & -W_{2p\pi}^{C_1} - 2(C_1 C_1 | O_1^n O_1^n) \\ & - 2(C_1 C_1 | O_2^n O_2^n) - (C_1 C_1 | O_1 O_1) \\ & - (C_1 C_1 | O_2 O_2) - 2(C_1 C_1 | C_1' C_1') \\ & - 2(C_1 C_1 | C_2' C_2') - (C_1 C_1 | C_2 C_2) \\ & - (O_1 : C_1 C_1) - (O_2 : C_1 C_1) \\ & - 2(C_1' : C_1 C_1) - 2(C_2' : C_1 C_1) \\ & - (C_2 : C_1 C_1), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{C_1'} = & \int \chi_{C_1'}^*(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_{C_1'}(1) dv_1 \\ = & -W_{2p\pi}^{C_1'} - 2(C_1' C_1' | O_1^n O_1^n) \\ & - 2(C_1' C_1' | O_2^n O_2^n) - (C_1' C_1' | O_1 O_1) \\ & - (C_1' C_1' | O_2 O_2) - (C_1' C_1' | C_1 C_1) \\ & - (C_1' C_1' | C_2' C_2') - (C_1' C_1' | C_2 C_2) \\ & - (C_1' C_1' | C_1'' C_1'') - (C_1' C_1' | C_2'' C_2'') \\ & - (O_1 : C_1' C_1') - (O_2 : C_1' C_1') \\ & - (C_1 : C_1' C_1') - (C_2' : C_1' C_1') \\ & - (C_2 : C_1' C_1') - (C_1'' : C_1' C_1') \\ & - (C_2'' : C_1' C_1'), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{O_1} = & \int \chi_{O_1}^*(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_{O_1}(1) dv_1 \\ = & -W_{2p\pi}^{O_1} - 2(O_1 O_1 | O_1^n O_1^n) \\ & - 2(O_1 O_1 | O_2^n O_2^n) - (O_1 O_1 | O_2 O_2) \\ & - (O_1 O_1 | C_1 C_1) - (O_1 O_1 | C_2 C_2) \\ & - 2(O_1 O_1 | C_1' C_1') - 2(O_1 O_1 | C_2' C_2') \\ & - (O_2 : O_1 O_1) - (C_1 : O_1 O_1) \\ & - (C_2 : O_1 O_1) - 2(C_1' : O_1 O_1) \\ & - 2(C_2' : O_1 O_1), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{O_1^n} = & \int \chi_{O_1^n}^*(1) H_{\text{core}}(1) \chi_{O_1^n}(1) dv_1 \\ = & -W_{2p\pi}^{O_1^n} - (O_1^n O_1^n | O_1^n O_1^n) \\ & - 2(O_1^n O_1^n | O_2^n O_2^n) - (O_1^n O_1^n | O_1 O_1) \\ & - (O_1^n O_1^n | O_2 O_2) - (O_1^n O_1^n | C_1 C_1) \\ & - (O_1^n O_1^n | C_2 C_2) - 2(O_1^n O_1^n | C_1' C_1') \\ & - 2(O_1^n O_1^n | C_2' C_2') - (O_2 : O_1^n O_1^n) \\ & - (C_1 : O_1^n O_1^n) - (C_2 : O_1^n O_1^n) \\ & - 2(C_1' : O_1^n O_1^n) - 2(C_2' : O_1^n O_1^n), \end{aligned}$$

where  $W_{2p\pi}^q$  and  $W_{2p\pi}^q$  are the valence state ionization potentials of a  $\pi$ -electron and  $n$ -electron at atom  $q$ , respectively. These values of ionization potentials were obtained from Skinner and Pritchard's paper<sup>17)</sup> and are also listed in Table III. ( $q : pp$ ) is the coulomb penetration integral and is defined by

$$(q : pp) = - \int U_q(1) \chi_p^*(1) \chi_p(1) dv_1,$$

where  $U_q(1)$  is the potential due to neutral atom  $q$ . Penetration integrals were neglected throughout except when  $p$  and  $q$  refer to the nearest neighbors with each other. When  $p$  and  $q$  are the nearest neighbors, the values of this type of integrals were calculated theoretically<sup>24</sup>.

$\beta_{pq}$  was neglected except in the case where  $p$  refers to the nearest neighbor with  $q$ . When  $p$  and  $q$  refer to the nearest neighbors with each other,  $\beta_{pq}$  may be determined semi-empirically. Kon<sup>13</sup>) gave a functional form for  $\beta_{cc}$  and  $\beta_{co}$  with respect to the internuclear distance defined in such a way as to fit the calculated energy levels with experiment. Although the theoretical representation of  $\beta^{25}) is slightly different depending on whether the  $n$ -electrons are considered explicitly or not, in our calculation  $\beta$ 's were cal-$

culated from this formula, because it can be shown that  $\beta$  is approximately the same in both cases using Mulliken's approximation<sup>26</sup>) for integrals.

Using the coulomb and core integrals over AO's the integrals over MO's are obtained from the MO's in LCAO form embodied in Table II as described above. Energies of various electronic states may be obtained in the usual manner. The state energies thus obtained are shown in Fig. 3 diagrammatically, the energy of the ground configuration being taken as reference. Only the singly-excited states which lie within 10 eV. above the ground state are given and the effect of the configuration interaction was neglected. Two singlets which result from doubly-excited configurations lie within this energy region, i. e., at 8.506 eV. ( $A_u, B_{2g}$ ) and 7.495 eV. ( $B_{1u}, B_{3g}$ ) above the ground state. It is to be noted that any one of  $A_u$  states is found to be degenerate with one of  $B_{2g}$  states. The same applies to  $B_{1u}$  and  $B_{3g}$  states. These degeneracies are accidental, so they are not exact but only approximate degeneracy. However, it can be shown that they persist even after the effect of the configuration interaction is taken into account.

## Discussion

The hexane solution of *p*-benzoquinone has three absorption regions in visible or the near ultraviolet; these are  $\lambda_{\max}=2400\text{Å}$  (5.13 eV.,  $\log \epsilon_{\max}=4.2$ ),  $\lambda_{\max}=2900\text{Å}$  (4.25 eV.,  $\log \epsilon_{\max}=2.5$ ) and  $\lambda_{\max}=4600\text{Å}$  (2.68 eV.,  $\log \epsilon_{\max}=1.2$ <sup>27</sup>). The longest-wavelength absorption band was assigned to an  $n-\pi$  transition by McConnell<sup>8</sup>) and Nagakura and Kuboyama<sup>9</sup>) from the solvent effect on this band. From the MO point of view and from the comparison of the spectral data of various molecules containing CO group, McMurry<sup>27</sup>) has also suggested this assignment. The shortest-wavelength one of the above mentioned absorptions has the extinction coefficient of 20,000, which shows that this absorption may be due to an allowed electronic transition. The remaining one is assigned to a  $\pi-\pi$  transition from the solvent effect<sup>8,9</sup>). The extinction coefficient might suggest that this absorption would be due to an allowed electronic transition. The alternative

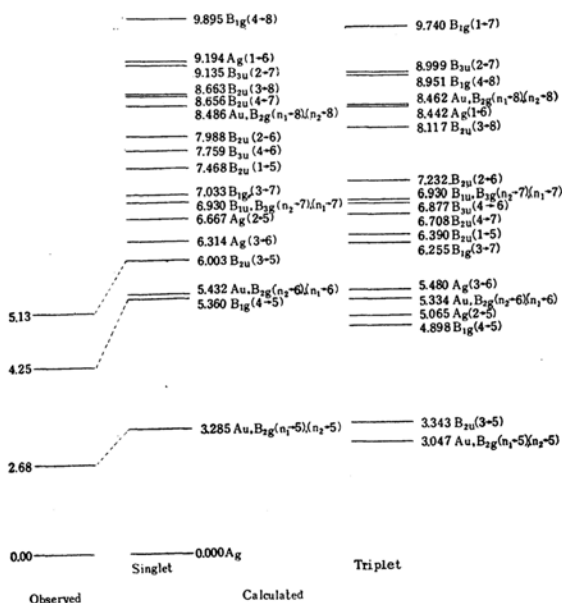


Fig. 3. Calculated and observed energy levels of *p*-benzoquinone.

The figure on the right of each level is the energy interval (in eV.) above the ground state and is followed by species notation of the state. On the right of the species notation the difference of the electron configuration from the ground state is indicated; e. g., ( $n_1 \rightarrow 5$ ) indicates that the participating configuration is produced from the ground configuration with the excitation of an electron from  $\phi_{n_1}$  (see Table II) to  $\phi_5$ .

24) See Appendix II.

25) See footnote 11 in reference 10a and references cited there.

26) R. S. Mulliken, "Report on Molecular Orbital Theory", 1947-8 and 1948-9 ONR Reports of the Physics Department Spectroscopic Laboratory of the University of Chicago, Eqs. (63) and (154b).

27) H. L. McMurry, *J. Chem. Phys.*, **9**, 241 (1941).



assignment for this absorption is that it may be due to a forbidden transition and the fairly large extinction coefficient of it might be due to the proximity of this absorption to an allowed electronic transition. We prefer the latter assignment with some reservations.

From the above argument the observed bands at 2.68 eV. and 5.13 eV. may be assigned to the  $^1A_g \rightarrow ^1A_g$ ,  $^1B_{2g}$  (nearly degenerate) and  $^1A_g \rightarrow ^1B_{2u}$  transitions, respectively. It is to be noted that the theory indicates that two electronic transitions are involved in 2.68-eV. absorption. The remaining absorption band at 4.25 eV. may be correlated with the calculated values of 5.432 eV. or 5.360 eV., both of which are predicted to correspond to forbidden transitions. As mentioned previously the solvent effect shows that this absorption may be due to a  $\pi-\pi$  transition, so we correlate this absorption with the calculated value of 5.360 eV. rather than 5.432 eV.

One thing should be mentioned concerning the absorption spectrum of the *p*-benzoquinone crystal. If the assignment proposed above is correct the electronic transition corresponding to the band at 5.13 eV. is produced with the transition moment lying in the long-axis (axis connecting two oxygen atoms) of the *p*-benzoquinone molecule and it is interpreted that electronic transitions corresponding to 2.68- and 4.25-eV. bands are made allowed through the vibrational-electronic interaction with 5.13-eV. transition. This is consistent with the result of Fixl and Schauenstein<sup>6)</sup> on the *p*-benzoquinone crystal, since they concluded that 2.68-eV. absorption is polarized along the long axis. However, recently Sidman<sup>7)</sup> has also investigated the *p*-benzoquinone crystal in a wider wavelength region than Fixl and Schauenstein and arrived at the opposite conclusion. Although, Sidman could not investigate the region around 5.13 eV., he inferred that this absorption is polarized along the short axis of the molecule and the excited state of this absorption has the symmetry of  $B_{3u}$  (in our notation) from the polarization experiment at 2.68- and 4.25-eV. absorption regions. Then, our assignment concerning the symmetry of the first allowed electronic transition of the *p*-benzoquinone molecule is apparently inconsistent with Sidman's result.

As for the absorptions appearing in the visible region Sidman<sup>7)</sup> reported that at least three electronic transitions exist in

this region, all of which are  $n-\pi$  transitions. He assigned two of these transitions to singlet-singlet absorptions. These assignments are in agreement with the present theory in the fact that there exists a pair of nearly degenerate electronic states, transitions to which from the ground state lie in the visible region. The third absorption region found by Sidman<sup>7)</sup> was very weak and lay in the longer wavelength region than the above-mentioned two absorptions, although the separation from these two absorptions was small. Sidman<sup>7)</sup> assigned it to a singlet-triplet  $n-\pi$  transition. This is also consistent with the present calculation.

In conclusion, although there are some inconsistencies between the theory and the experiments, the results of the present calculation are encouraging. The reason for the inconsistencies is not clear at present, since the configuration interaction is neglected on the theoretical side and the vibrational analysis and the polarization experiments have not been completed on the experimental side. The oriented gas model as applied to the pure *p*-benzoquinone crystal may lead us to false conclusions<sup>28)</sup>.

### Summary

A semi-empirical MO method proposed by Pariser and Parr was extended, taking account of the non-bonding electrons at the heteroatoms explicitly as well as  $\pi$ -electrons. The electronic states of *p*-benzoquinone were calculated neglecting configuration interactions.

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### Appendix I: Calculation of Coulomb Integrals over AO's

In the course of calculations reported in this paper we have calculated several coulomb integrals over Slater AO's using Roothaan's formula<sup>18)</sup>. In Roothaan's method coulomb integrals over AO's are expressed in terms of "basic integrals".

<sup>28)</sup> D. S. McClure, *J. Chem. Phys.*, **22**, 1668 (1954); **24**, 1 (1956).



TABLE IV

THE VALUES OF BASIC COULOMB INTEGRALS (ATOMIC UNIT<sup>a)</sup>)(IV A) *a*: Carbon with effective nuclear charge of 3.25.*b*: Oxygen with effective nuclear charge of 4.55.

$r(\text{\AA})$	$[3S_a   3S_b]$	$[3S_a   3D\Sigma_b]$	$[3D\Sigma_a   3S_b]$	$[3D\Sigma_a   3D\Sigma_b]$	$[3D\Delta_a   3D\Delta_b]$
1.1615	4.2535 <sup>-1b)</sup>	7.8303 <sup>-3</sup>	1.7041 <sup>-2</sup>	6.6494 <sup>-4</sup>	7.5582 <sup>-4</sup>
1.230	4.0761 <sup>-1</sup>	7.5598 <sup>-3</sup>	1.6203 <sup>-2</sup>	7.2766 <sup>-4</sup>	6.3216 <sup>-4</sup>
2.391	2.2127 <sup>-1</sup>	2.0572 <sup>-3</sup>	4.0449 <sup>-3</sup>	2.0847 <sup>-4</sup>	3.8425 <sup>-5</sup>
2.800	1.8902 <sup>-1</sup>	1.3002 <sup>-3</sup>	2.5501 <sup>-3</sup>	1.0276 <sup>-4</sup>	1.7620 <sup>-5</sup>
3.5785	1.4791 <sup>-1</sup>	6.2514 <sup>-4</sup>	1.2253 <sup>-3</sup>	3.1025 <sup>-5</sup>	5.1797 <sup>-6</sup>
4.140	1.2785 <sup>-1</sup>	4.0377 <sup>-4</sup>	7.9141 <sup>-4</sup>	1.4994 <sup>-5</sup>	2.4994 <sup>-6</sup>

(IV B) *a, b*: Carbon with effective nuclear charge of 3.25.

$r(\text{\AA})$	$[3S_a   3S_b]$	$[3S_a   3D\Sigma_b]$	$[3D\Sigma_a   3D\Sigma_b]$	$[3D\Delta_a   3D\Delta_b]$
1.320	3.7291 <sup>-1</sup>	1.0619 <sup>-2</sup>	5.7500 <sup>-4</sup>	7.5658 <sup>-4</sup>
1.500	3.3848 <sup>-1</sup>	9.5678 <sup>-3</sup>	7.0566 <sup>-4</sup>	5.0462 <sup>-4</sup>
2.468	2.1418 <sup>-1</sup>	3.5880 <sup>-3</sup>	3.1092 <sup>-4</sup>	6.3199 <sup>-5</sup>
2.544	2.0786 <sup>-1</sup>	3.3044 <sup>-3</sup>	2.7790 <sup>-4</sup>	5.4652 <sup>-5</sup>
2.800 <sup>c</sup>	1.8898 <sup>-1</sup>	2.5246 <sup>-3</sup>	1.8879 <sup>-4</sup>	3.4379 <sup>-5</sup>
2.866	1.8463 <sup>-1</sup>	2.3594 <sup>-3</sup>	1.7060 <sup>-4</sup>	3.0576 <sup>-5</sup>
2.910	1.8185 <sup>-1</sup>	2.2574 <sup>-3</sup>	1.5956 <sup>-4</sup>	2.8365 <sup>-5</sup>
4.140	1.2785 <sup>-1</sup>	7.9133 <sup>-4</sup>	2.9354 <sup>-5</sup>	4.8986 <sup>-6</sup>

(IV C) *a, b*: Oxygen with effective nuclear charge of 4.55.

$r(\text{\AA})$	$[3S_a   3S_b]$	$[3S_a   3D\Sigma_b]$	$[3D\Sigma_a   3D\Sigma_b]$	$[3D\Delta_a   3D\Delta_b]$
5.370	9.8566 <sup>-2</sup>	1.8502 <sup>-4</sup>	2.0838 <sup>-6</sup>	3.4730 <sup>-7</sup>

a) Atomic unit: energy in  $e^2/a_H = 27.204$  eV.b) 4.2535<sup>-1</sup> is the abbreviation of  $4.2535 \times 10^{-1}$ .

c) Interpolated.

We shall give here the values of these basic integrals rather than the integrals over AO's. These basic integrals give quickly the values of coulomb integrals over 2s or 2p AO's of respective atoms using Roothaan's formula. The results are shown in Table IV, the notations being the same as those used by Roothaan.

## Appendix II: Calculation of Coulomb Penetration Integrals

The potential of electron 1 due to a neutral carbon atom  $U_C(1)$  is represented by

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_C(1) = & U_C^{4+}(1) + \int |2s_c(2)|^2 (e^2/r_{12}) dv_2 \\
 & + \int |2p\sigma_c(3)|^2 (e^2/r_{13}) dv_3 \\
 & + \int |2p\pi_c(4)|^2 (e^2/r_{14}) dv_4 \\
 & + \int |2p\bar{\pi}_c(5)|^2 (e^2/r_{15}) dv_5, \quad (A1)
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $U_C^{4+}(1)$  is the potential due to carbon nucleus plus two 1s electrons and is approximated by

$$U_C^{4+}(1) = -(4e^2/r_{C1}),$$

in which  $r_{C1}$  is the distance between the carbon nucleus and the electron 1.  $2s_c$ ,  $2p\sigma_c$ ,  $2p\pi_c$  and  $2p\bar{\pi}_c$  are the carbon AO's  $2p\pi$  and  $2p\bar{\pi}$  are  $\pi$ -orbitals whose nodal planes are perpendicular to each other.

On the other hand, the potential of electron 1 due to neutral oxygen atom  $U_O(1)$  is represented by

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_O(1) = & U_O^{6+}(1) + 2 \int |2s_o(2)|^2 (e^2/r_{12}) dv_2 \\
 & + \int |2p\sigma_o(3)|^2 (e^2/r_{13}) dv_3 \\
 & + \int |2p\pi_o(4)|^2 (e^2/r_{14}) dv_4 \\
 & + 2 \int |2p\bar{\pi}_o(5)|^2 (e^2/r_{15}) dv_5, \quad (A2)
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $U_O^{6+}(1)$  is the potential due to oxygen nucleus plus 1s electrons and is approximated by

$$U_O^{6+}(1) = -(6e^2/r_{O1}),$$

the notations being analogous to those in (A1).

Therefore, coulomb penetration integrals are expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
\int U_c(1) \chi_q^*(1) \chi_q(1) dv_1 &\equiv - (C : qq) \\
&= -4(C | qq) + (2s_c 2s_c | qq) \\
&\quad + (2p\sigma_c 2p\sigma_c | qq) + (2p\pi_c 2p\pi_c | qq) \\
&\quad + (2p\bar{\pi}_c 2p\bar{\pi}_c | qq) \\
\int U_o(1) \chi_q^*(1) \chi_q(1) dv_1 &\equiv - (O : qq) \\
&= -6(O | qq) + 2(2s_o 2s_o | qq) \\
&\quad + 2(2p\sigma_o 2p\sigma_o | qq) + (2p\pi_o 2p\pi_o | qq) \\
&\quad + 2(2p\bar{\pi}_o 2p\bar{\pi}_o | qq)
\end{aligned} \tag{A3}$$

where  $\chi_q$  is one of  $2p$ -orbitals and

$$(C | qq) \equiv \int (e^2/r_{c1}) \chi_q^*(1) \chi_q(1) dv_1,$$

$$(O | qq) \equiv \int (e^2/r_{o1}) \chi_q^*(1) \chi_q(1) dv_1,$$

which may be obtained from literatures<sup>29)</sup>. The remaining terms in the right-hand side of Eq. (A3) are coulomb integrals over  $2s$ - or  $2p$ -AO's which may be obtained from the basic integrals as described in Appendix I. It is to be noted that in calculating the penetration integrals we have used theoretical values of these coulomb integrals in contrast with the case of the calculation of the electron interaction energy. This is because we have not obtained the values of coulomb integrals referring  $2s$ - or  $2p\sigma$ -AO's by the extrapolation using atomic spectral data.

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