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**Wavepacket Approach to
Quantum Reactive Scattering**

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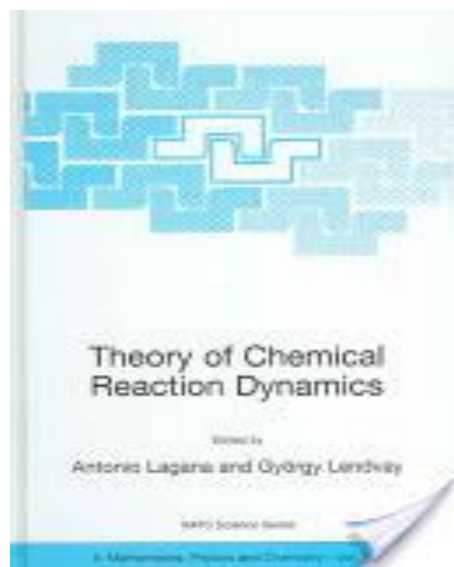
Telluride 1997



Antonio has been a great **initiator of collaborative projects** especially through the European COST project

Nature 2000:

For example, **Antonio Laganà**, a professor of computational chemistry at the University of Perugia in Italy, is trying to establish a research network in what he calls **meta-computing**.



Theory of Chemical Reaction Dynamics
[Antonio Laganà](#), [György Lendvay](#)
Springer Science & Business Media, 1 Jul 2004

The theoretical treatment of chemical reaction dynamics has undergone spectacular development during the last few years, prompted by experimental progress.

A comparison of time-dependent and time-independent quantum reactive scattering— $\text{Li} + \text{HF} \rightarrow \text{LiF} + \text{H}$ model calculations

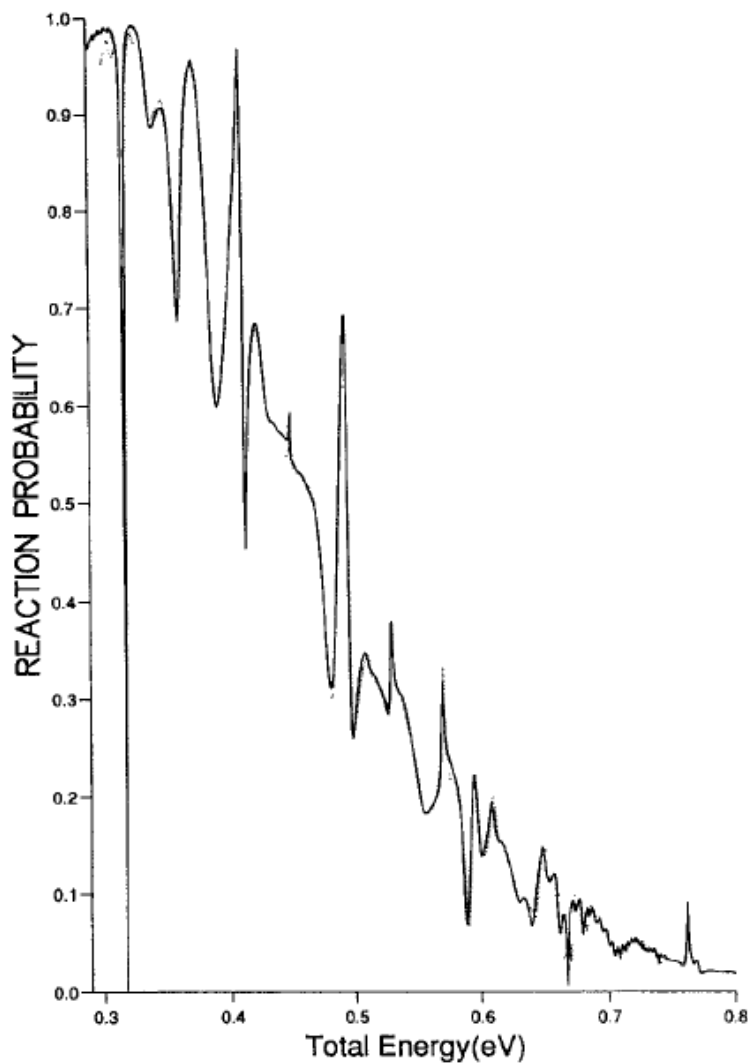
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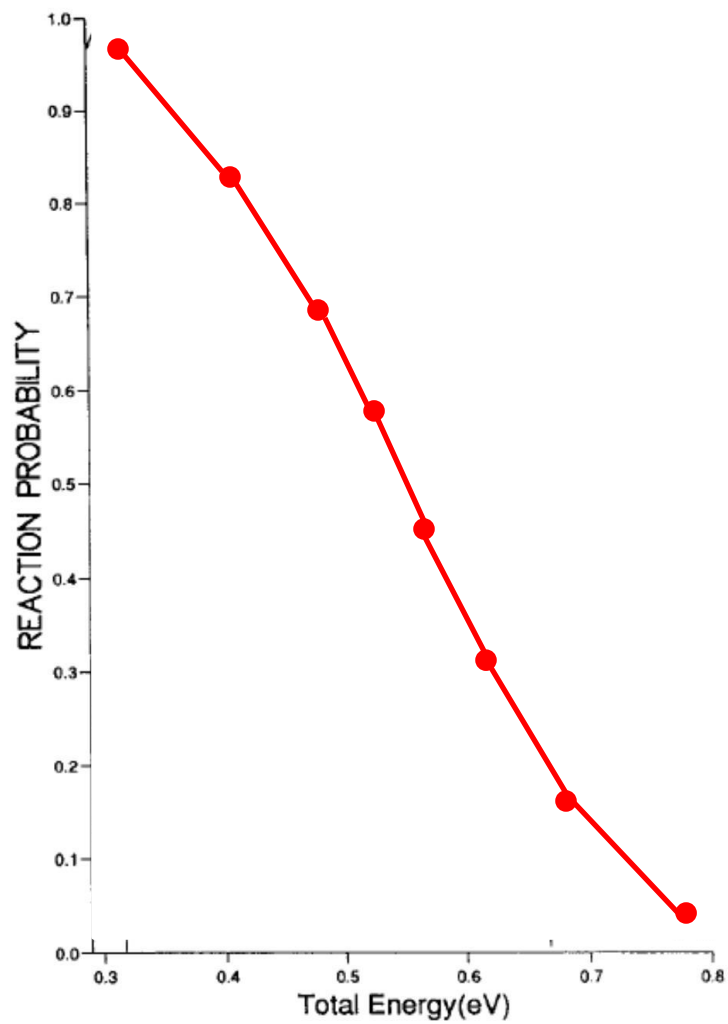
(Received 25 May 1993; accepted 17 August 1993)

Li + HF \rightarrow LiF + H model

My initial Time-dependent **wavepacket** calculations

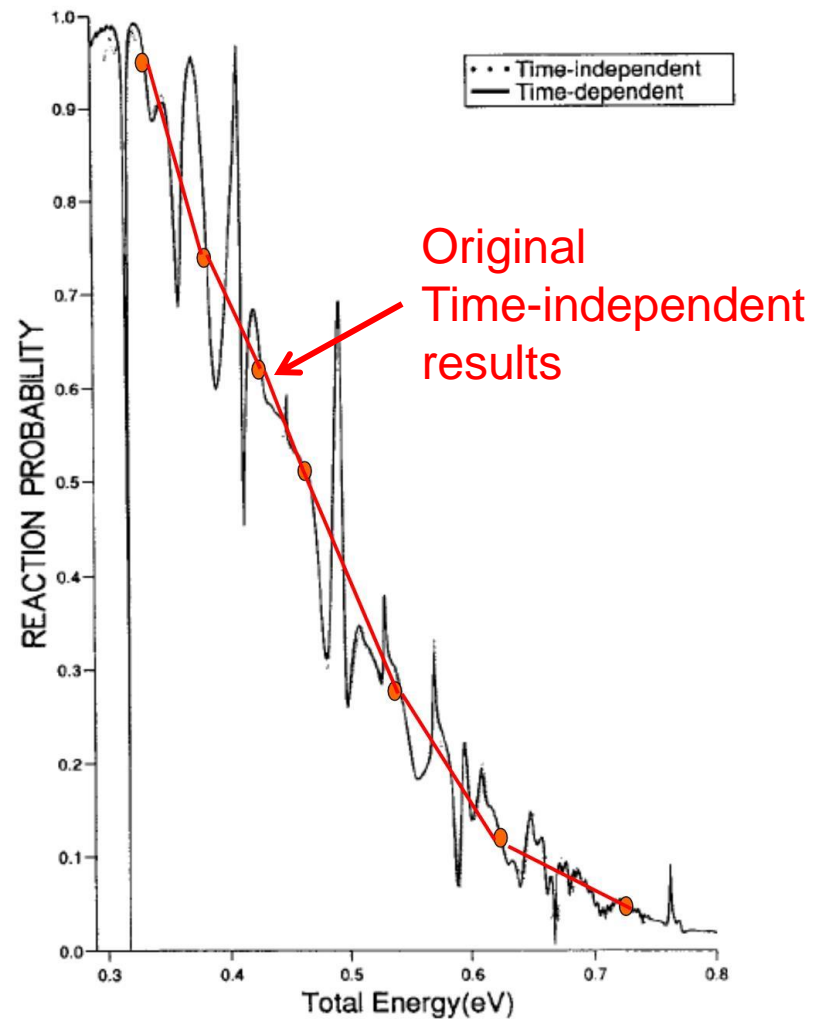


Antonio's
time-independent
quantum calculations
for the same model

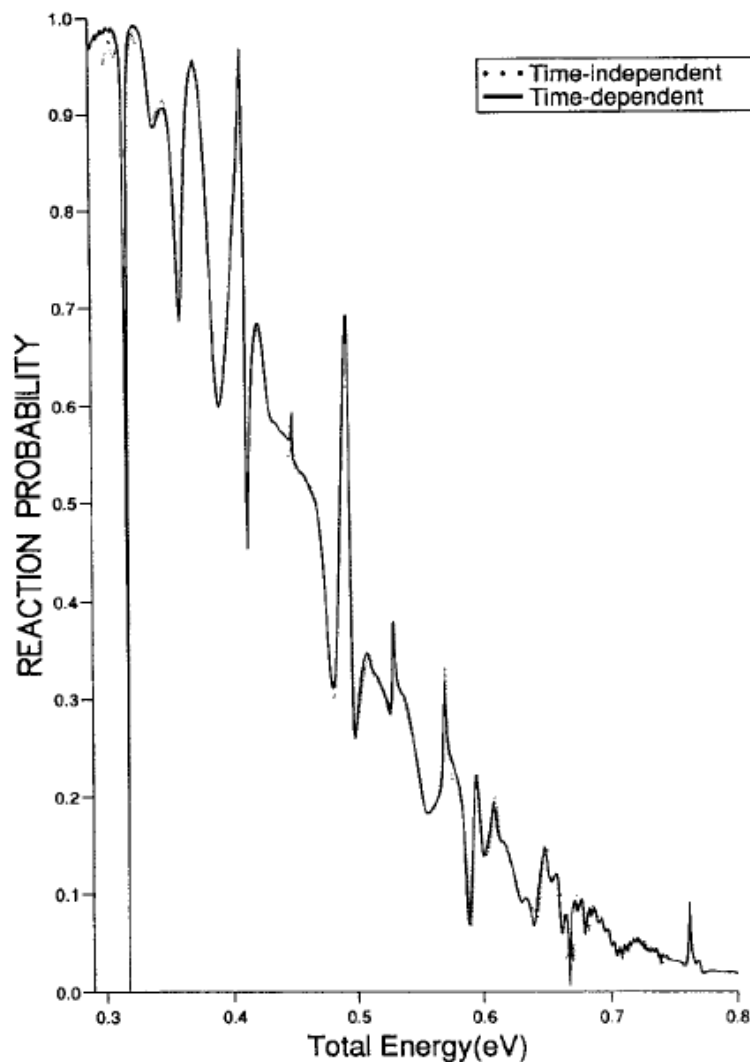


The **red line** illustrates the time-independent quantum results which Antonio first produced – **smooth curve – no sharp resonant features**.

It was only after Antonio repeated the calculations using a finer energy mesh that we obtained agreement!



Li + HF \rightarrow LiF + H comparison of quantum
time independent & time dependent calculations
Fixed angle model calculations



Reactive Scattering

➤ Time-independent

Rotational-Vibrational basis sets

Solve large set of coupled second order differential Equations

Obtain complete **S** matrix at one collision energy

gives ALL cross sections including many of no interest.

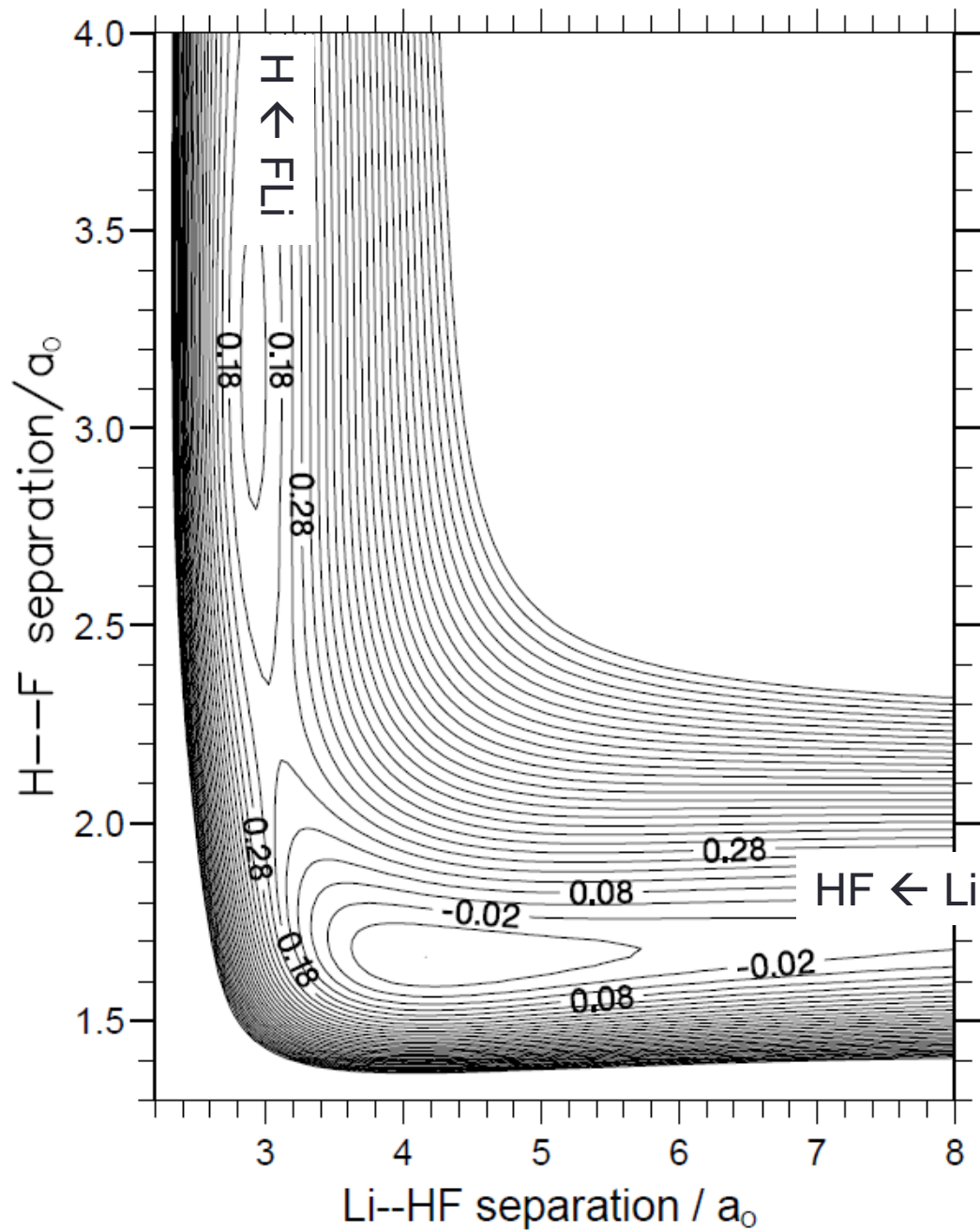
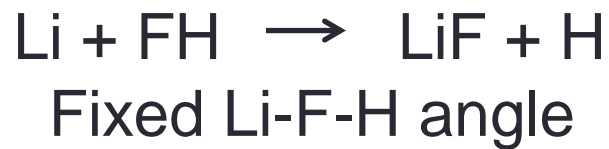
➤ Wavepackets (Time-Dependent & Time-Independent)

Wavepacket represented by its values at grid points

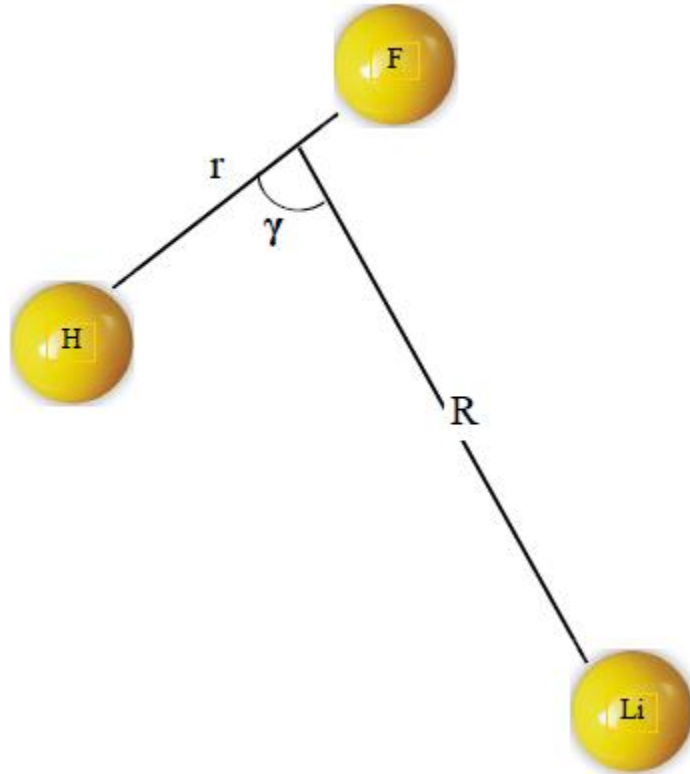
– **no basis sets**

Propagate wavepacket forward in time by applying time evolution operator to wavepacket

Obtain cross sections at all energies, starting only from desired quantum state.



Initial Wavepacket

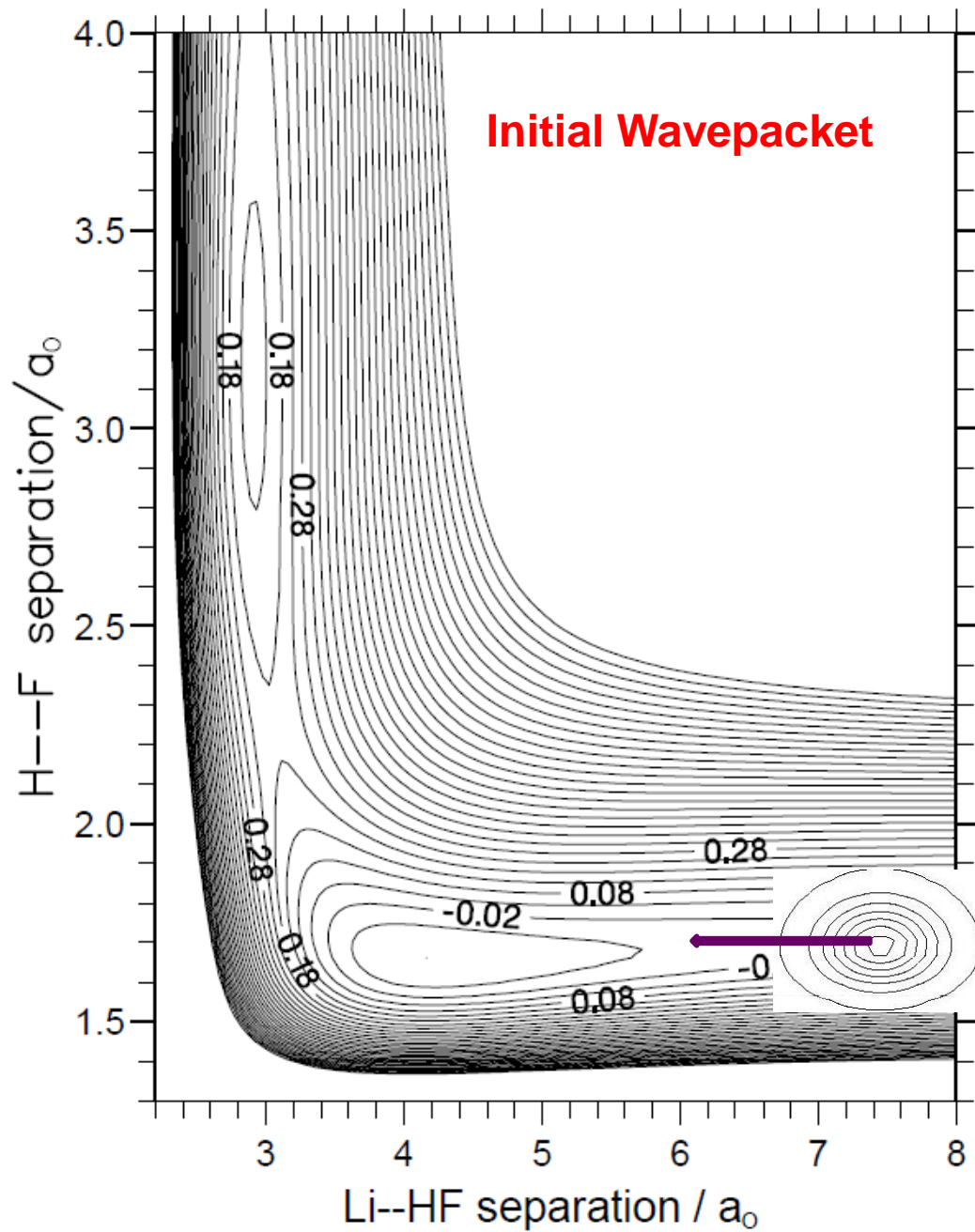


Rotational-vibrational wavefunction of HF

$$\Psi = e^{-ikR} e^{-\alpha(R-R_0)^2} \Phi_{v,j}(r, \gamma)$$

Gaussian wavepacket

Plane wave moving to smaller R



Find how much of the initial wavepacket corresponds to relative kinetic energy E .

The wavepacket is localised in space – contains a range of energies by Hiesenberg's theorem.

$$g(k') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ik'R} e^{-ikR} e^{-\alpha(R-R_0)^2} dR$$

Amplitude of wavepacket at energy $E = k^2 \hbar^2 / 2\mu$

R dependence of wavepacket

Wavepacket Propagation

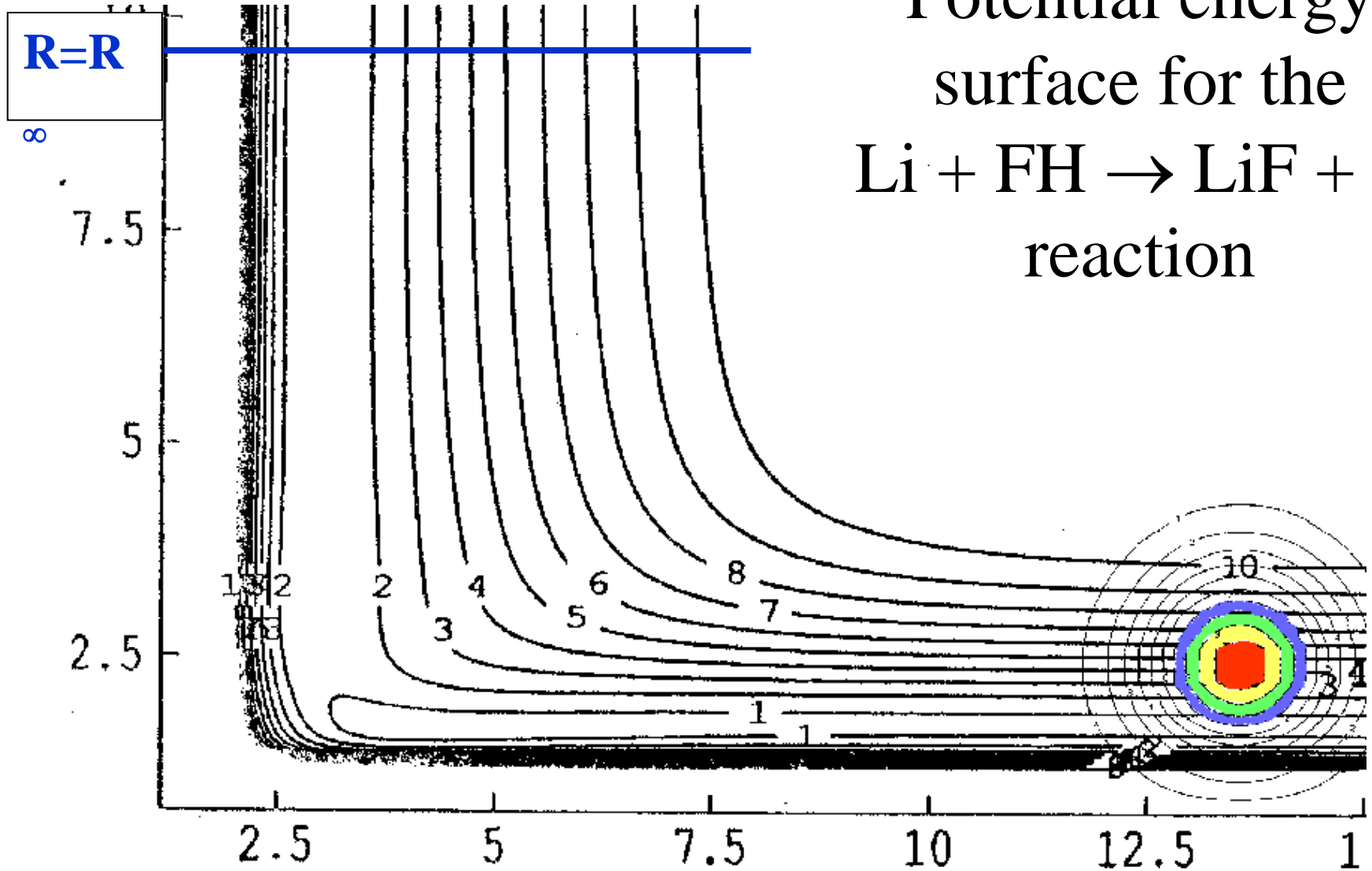
$$\Psi(t + \tau) = e^{-i\hat{H}\tau/\hbar} \Psi(t)$$

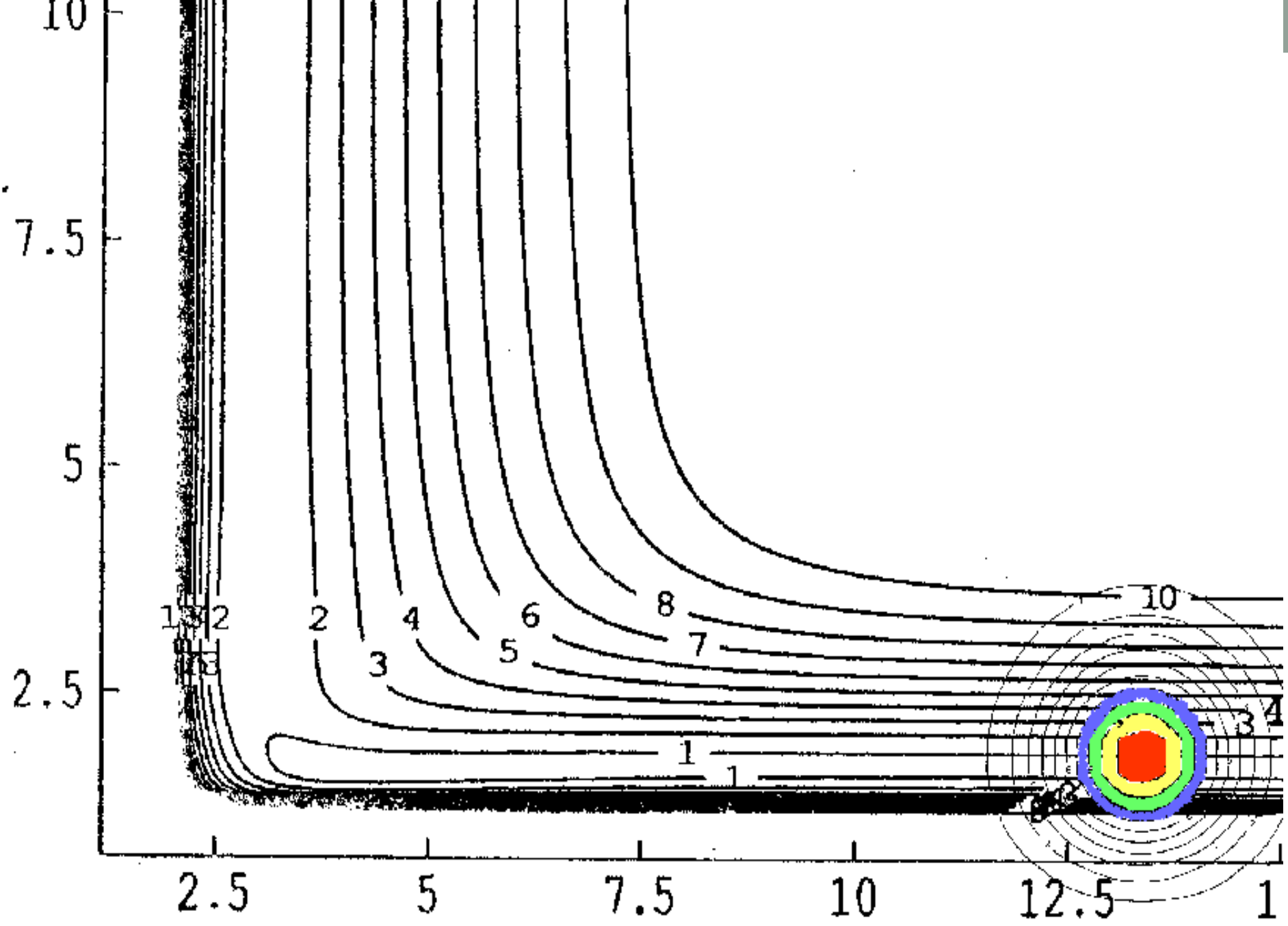
Time Evolution Operator

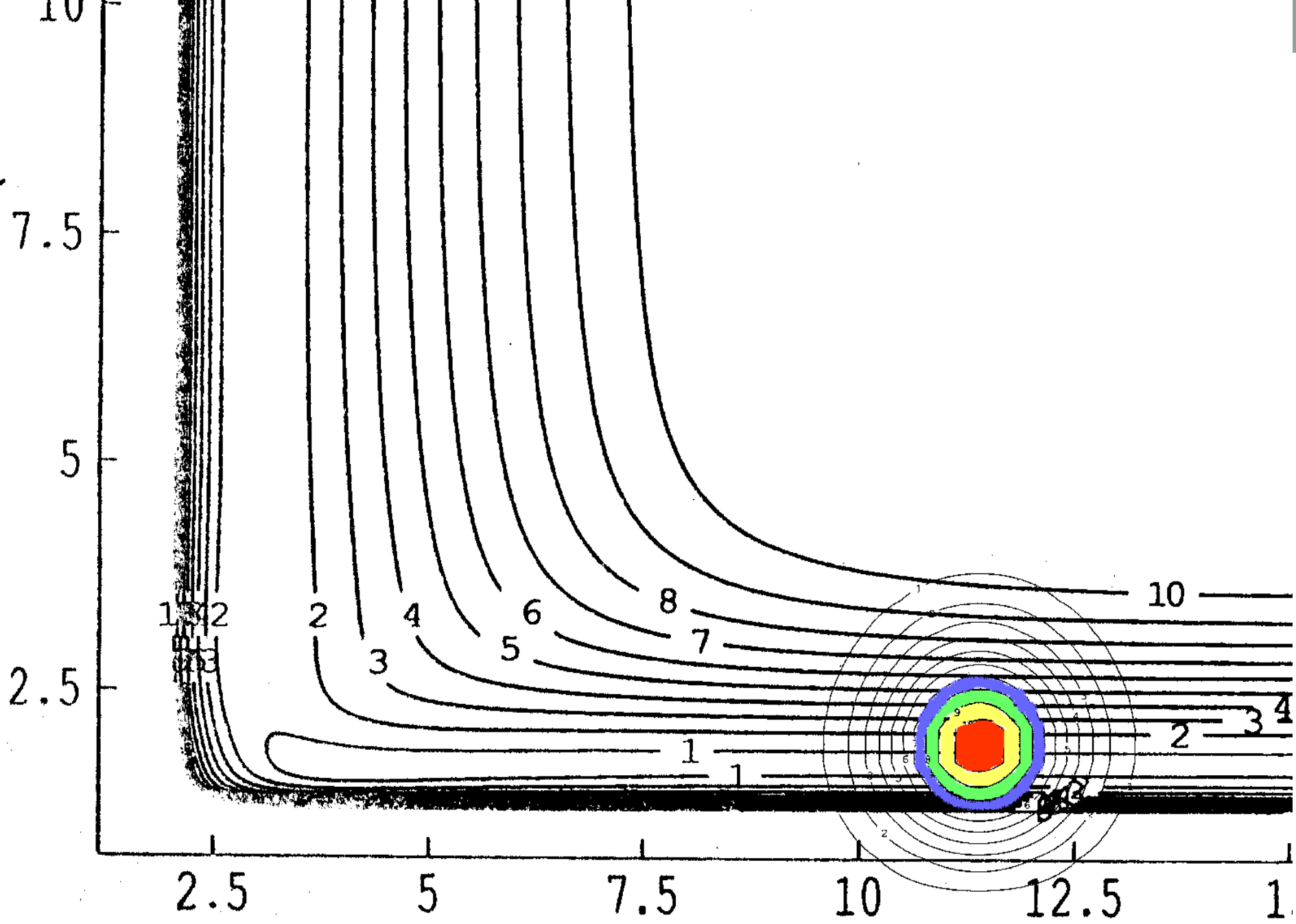
Kosloff introduced the expansion of the Time Evolution operator as an expansion in Chebyshev Polynomials (T_n).

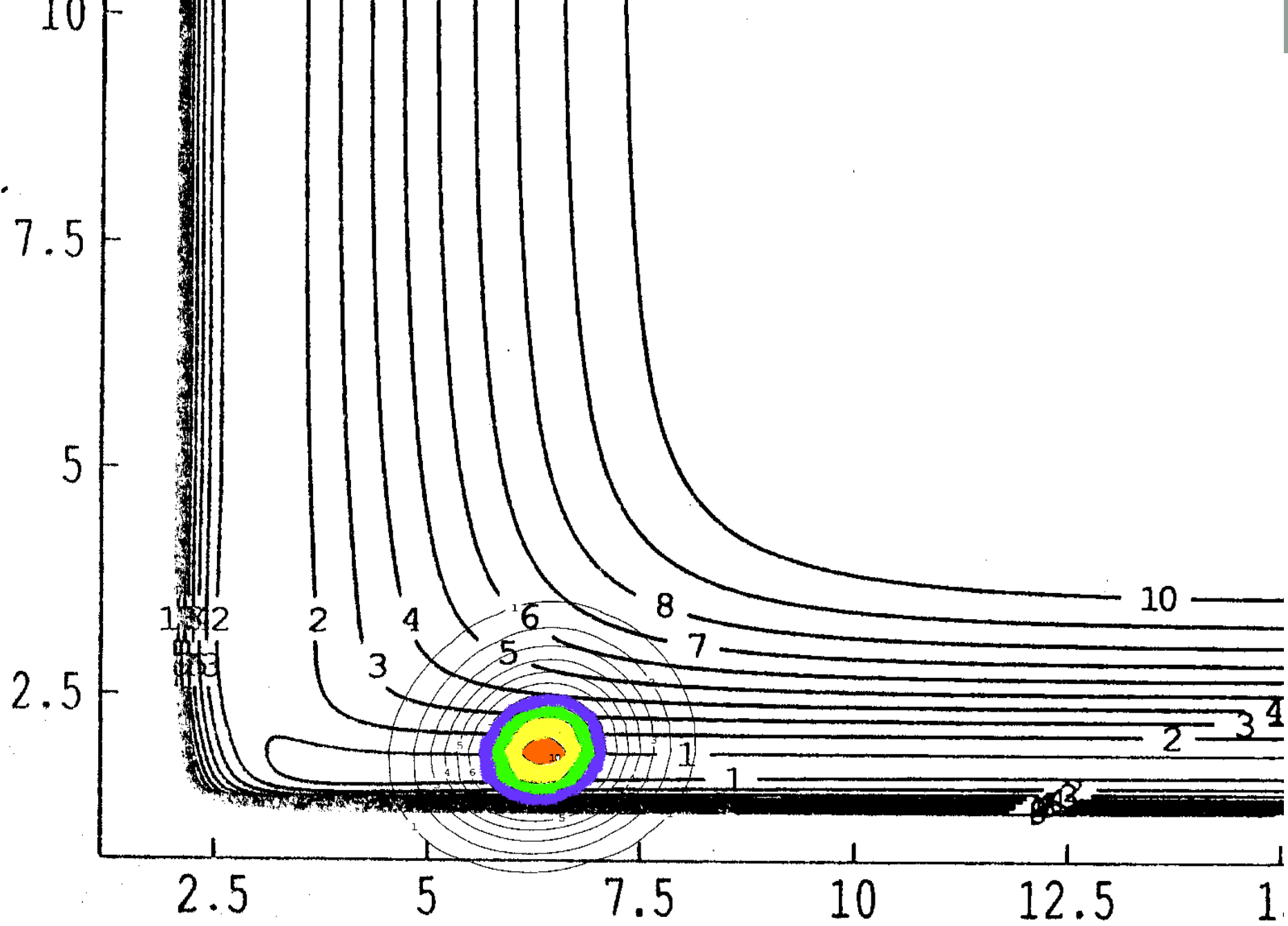
$$e^{-i\hat{H}t/\hbar} = \sum_n A_n(t) T_n(-\hat{H})$$

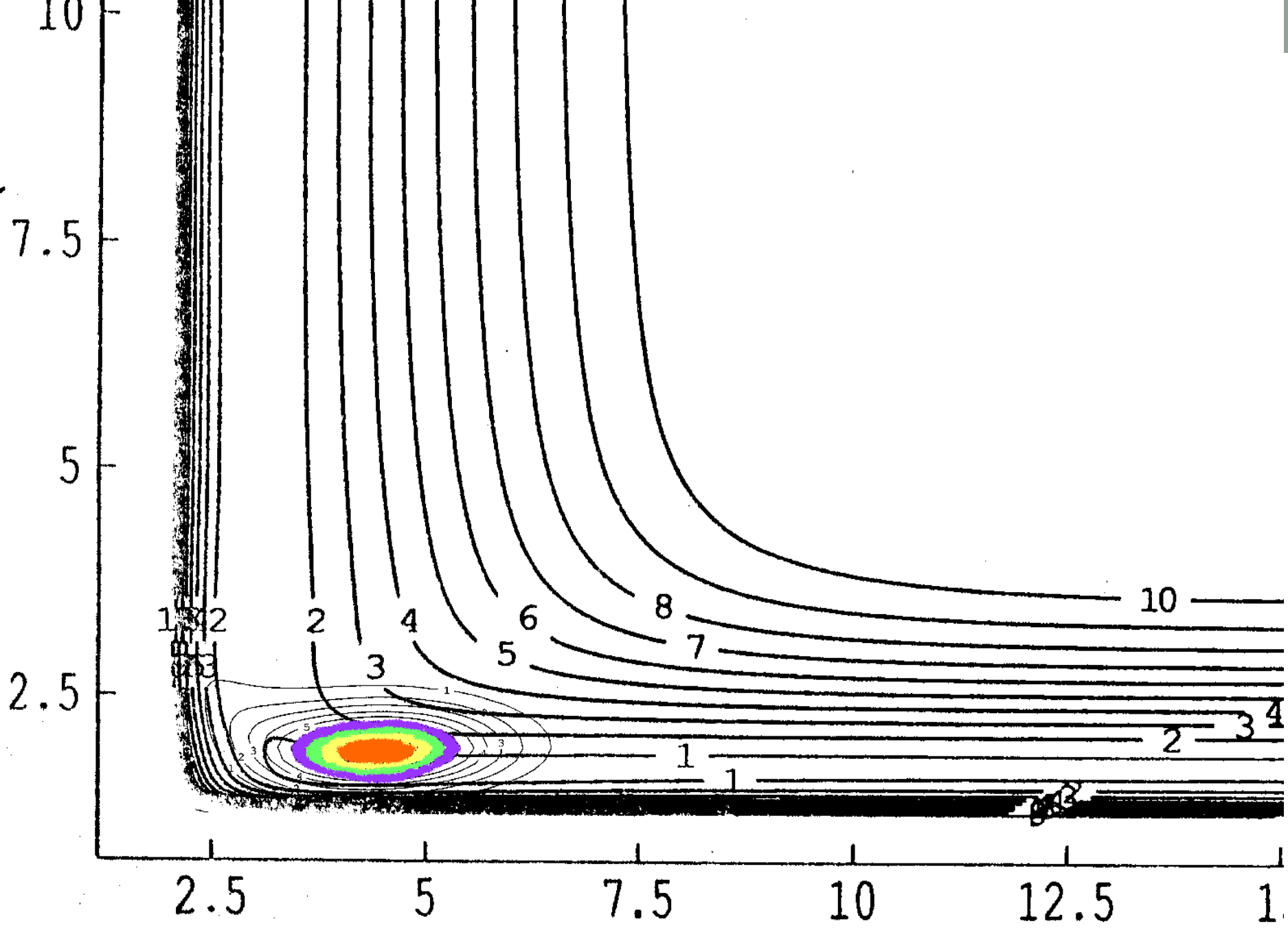
Potential energy surface for the
 $\text{Li} + \text{FH} \rightarrow \text{LiF} + \text{H}$
reaction

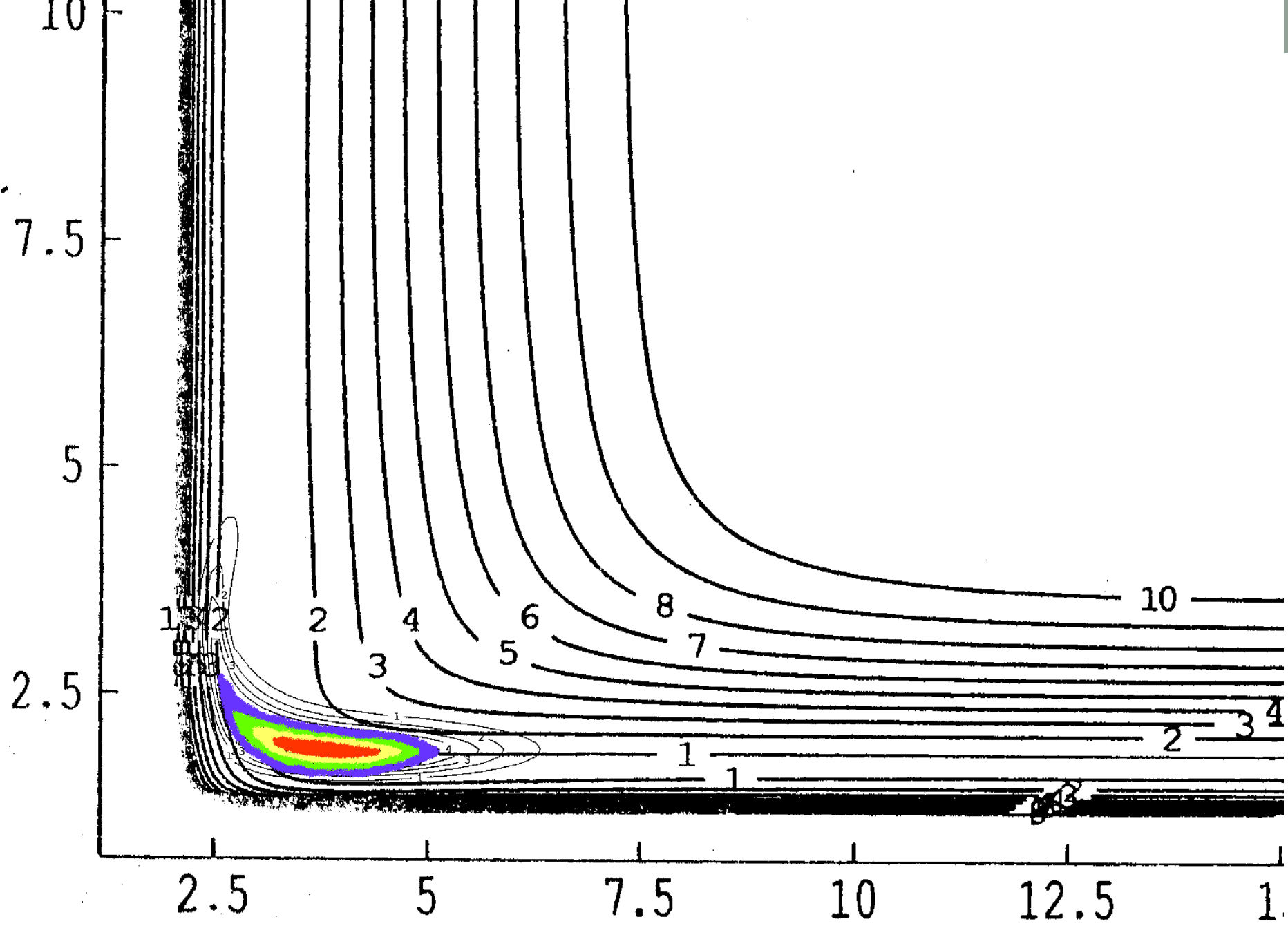


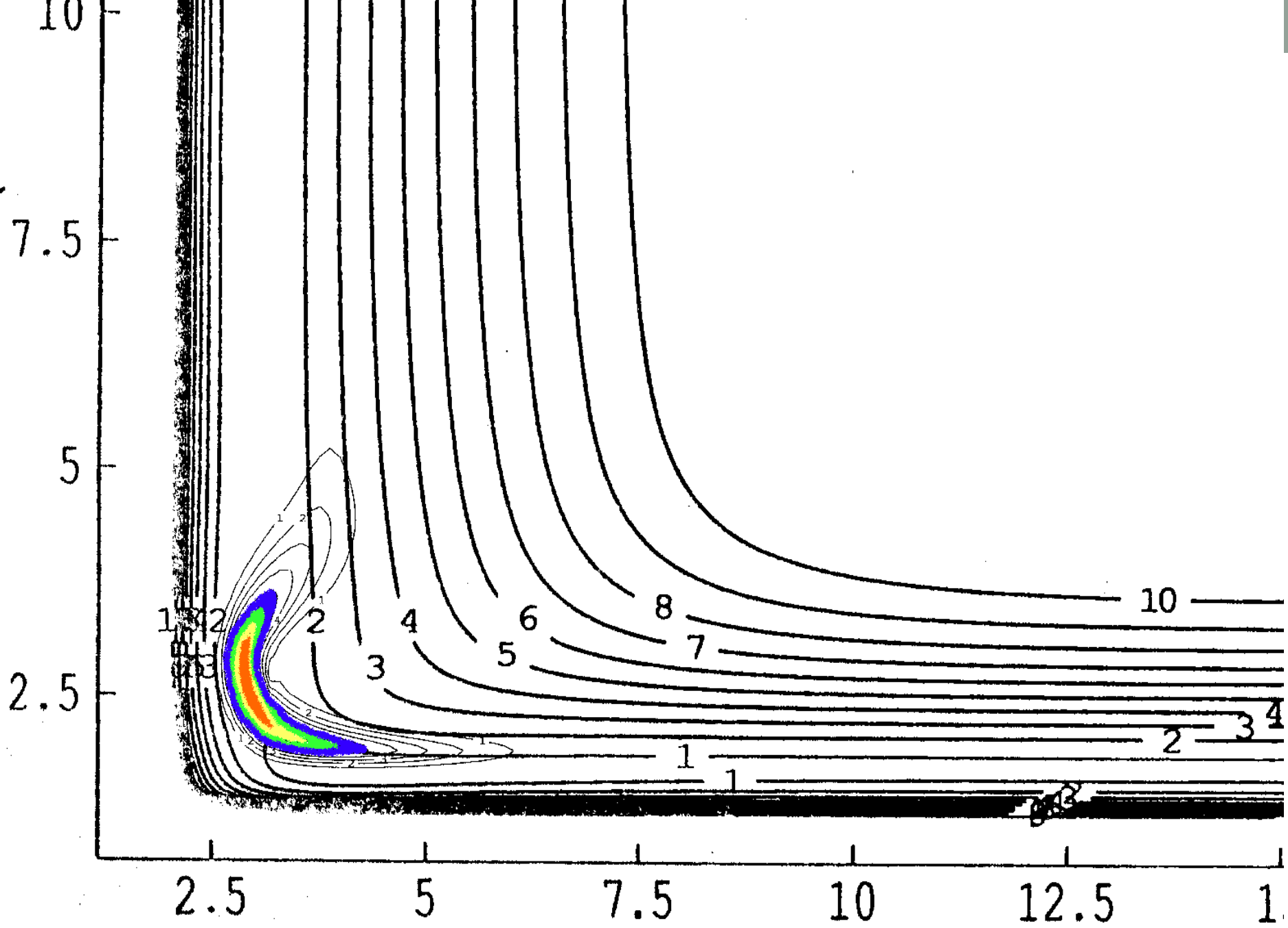






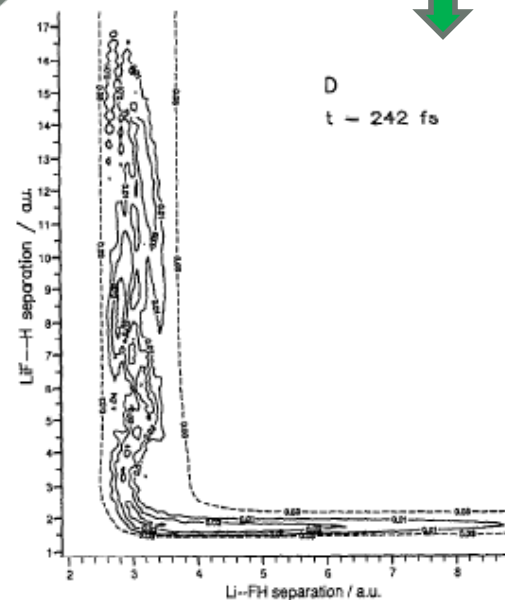
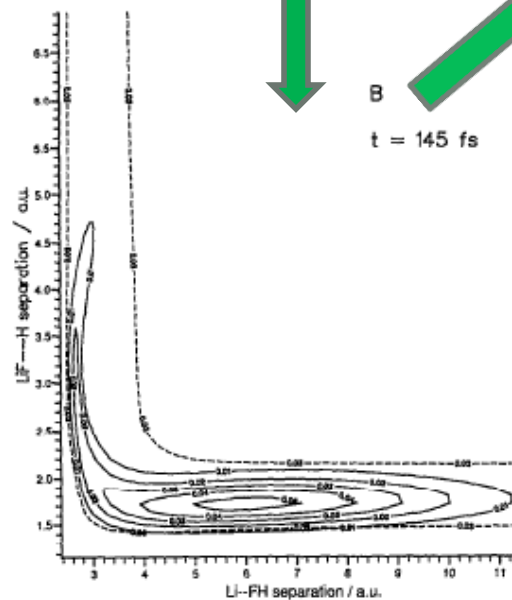
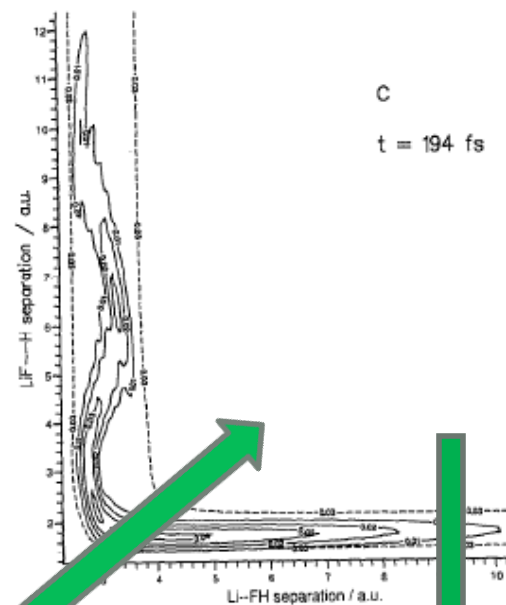
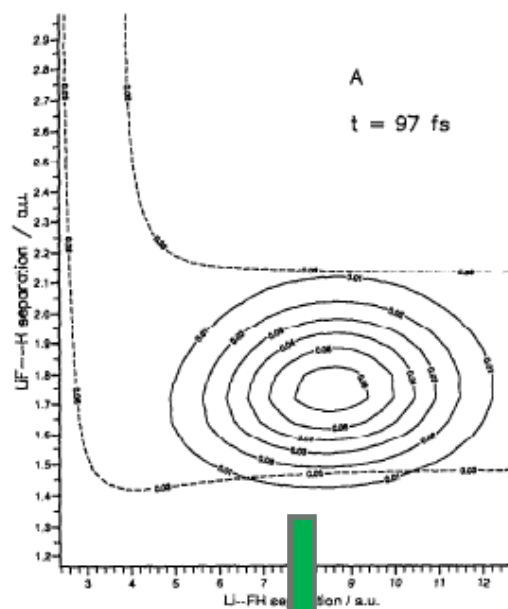






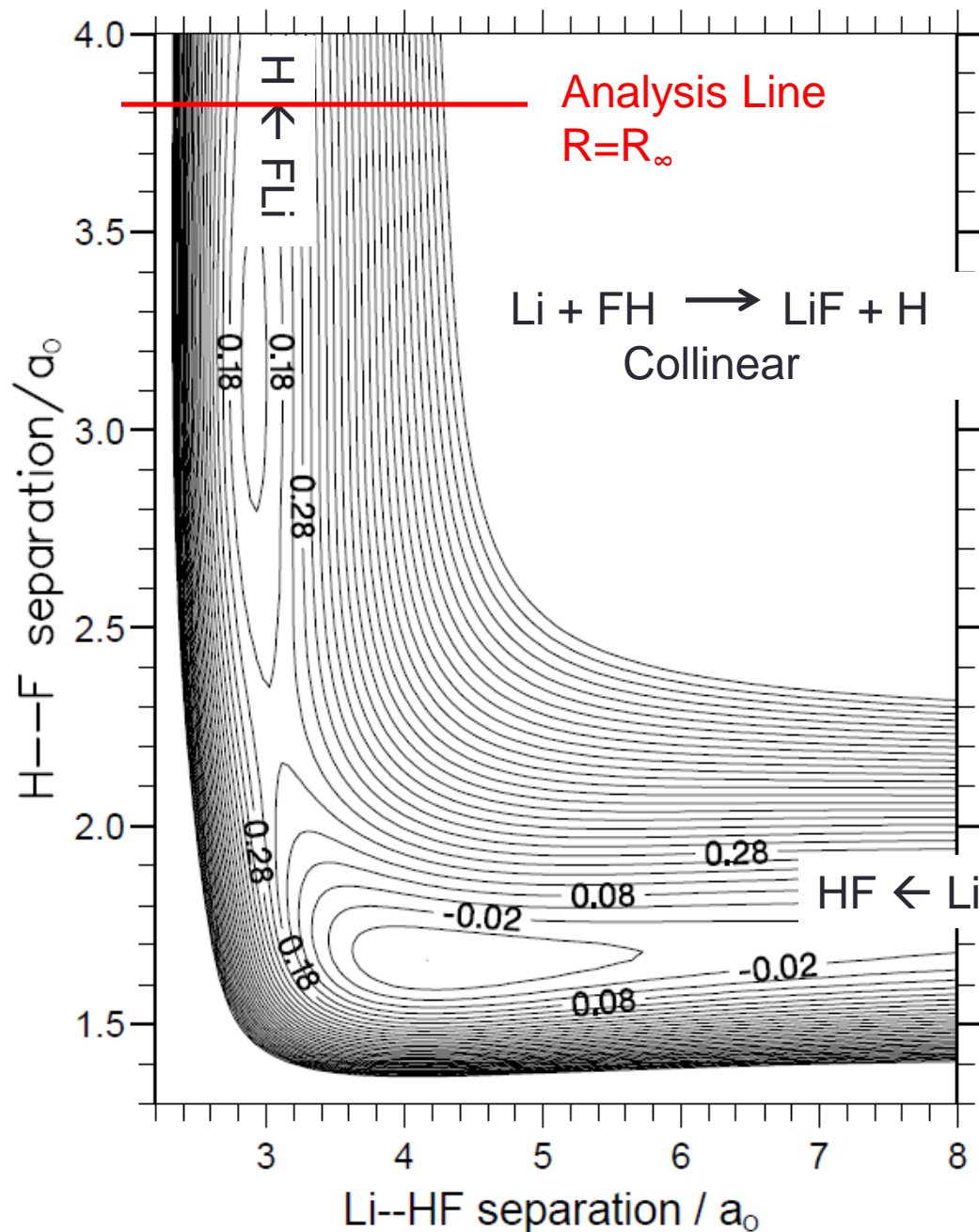


Snapshots during propagation



S matrix & Cross Sections

Take cut through wavepacket at each time step as it passes through the analysis line $\Psi(r, R=R_\infty; t)$



S matrix & Cross Sections

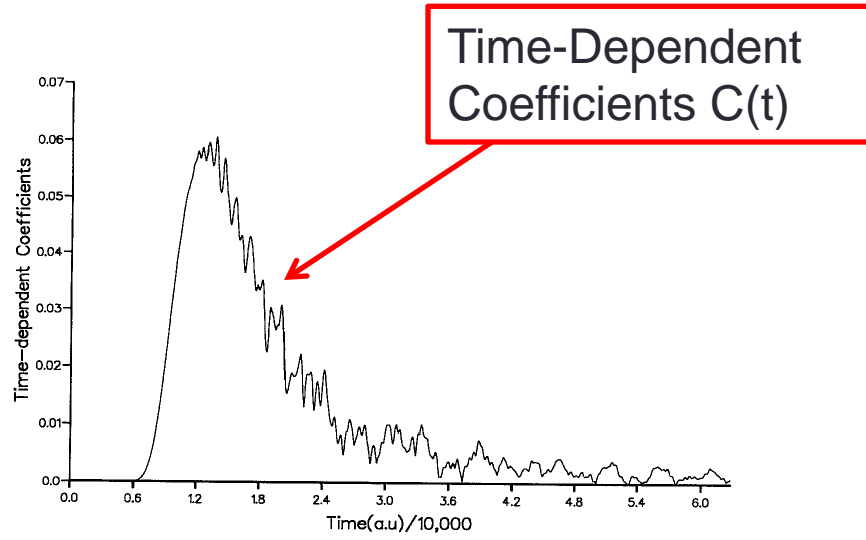
$$C_{v' \leftarrow v}(t) = \int \phi_{v'}(r) \Psi(r, R=R_\infty; t) r^2 dr$$

Use Fourier Transform to convert Time \rightarrow Energy

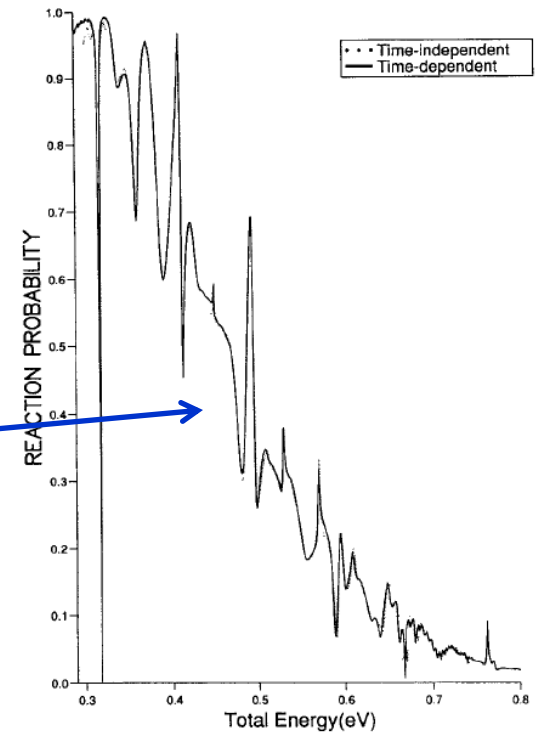
$$A_{v' \leftarrow v}(E) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{iEt/\hbar} C_{v' \leftarrow v}(t) dt$$

$$S_{v' \leftarrow v} = \hbar \left(\frac{k_v k_{v'}}{\mu \mu'} \right)^{1/2} \frac{A_{v' \leftarrow v}(E)}{g(-k_v)}$$

Li + HF \rightarrow LiF + H collinear



Reaction Probability



O + H₂ Electronically non-adiabatic Reactive Scattering

**S. K. Gray, G. G. Balint-Kurti,
G. C. Schatz, J. J. Lin, X. Liu,
S. Harich & X. Yang,
JCP, 113, 7330 (2000).**



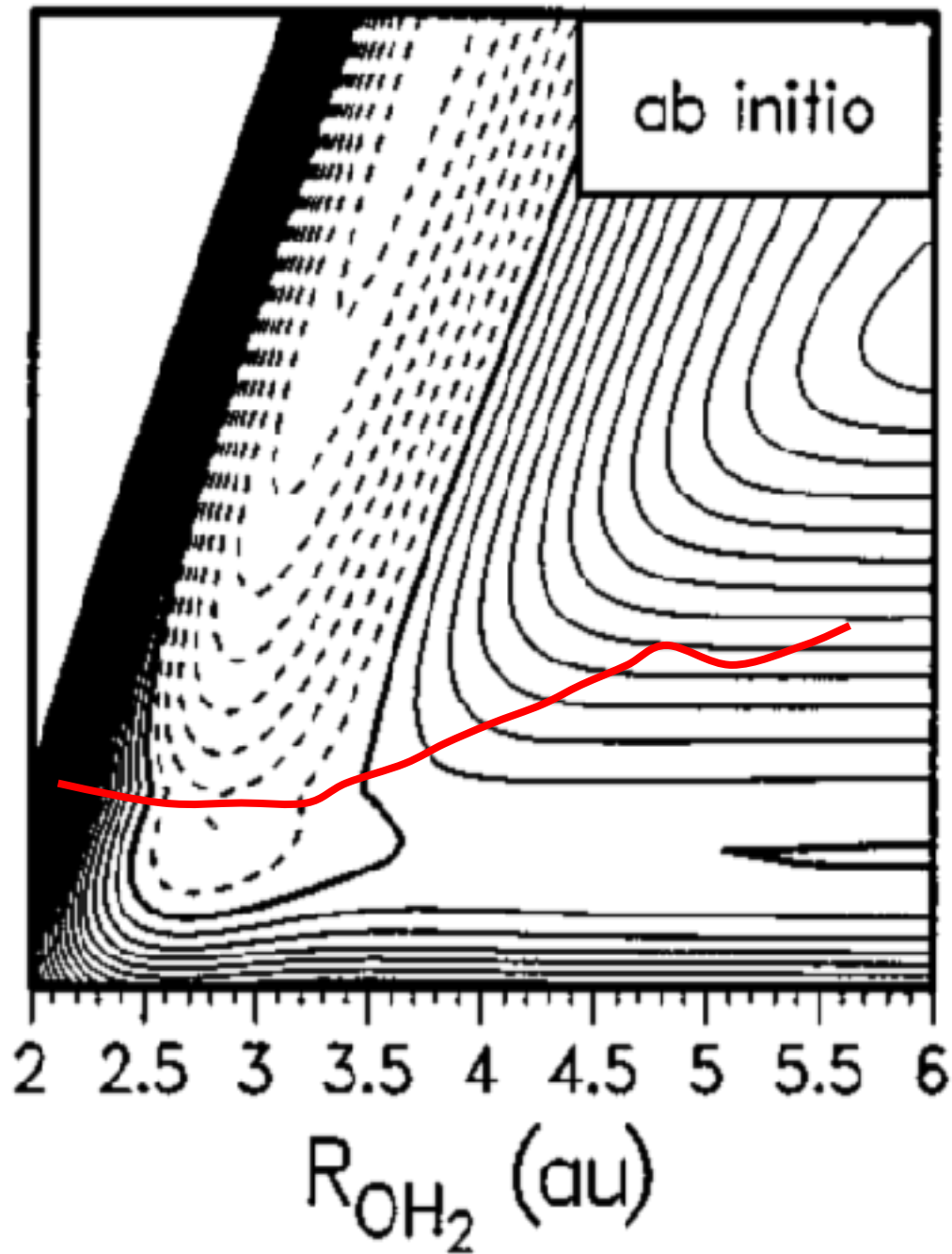
The reactants give rise to 5 potential energy surfaces.

Only 3 of them participate in the reaction.

3 potential energy surfaces

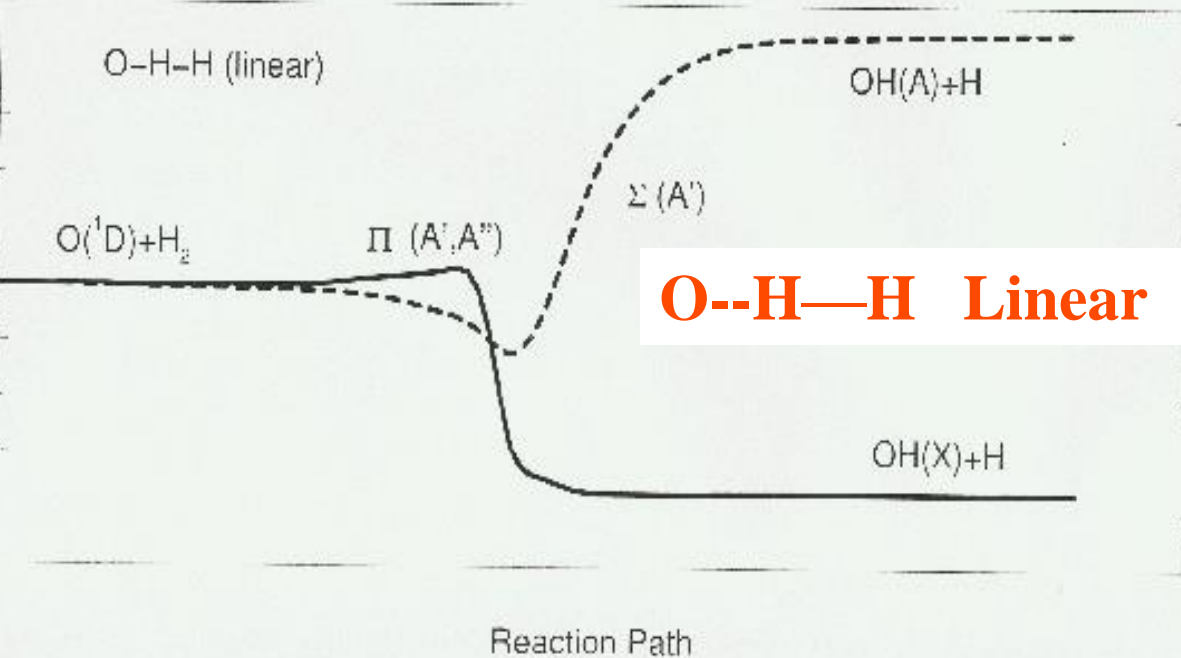
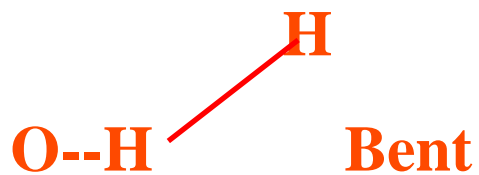
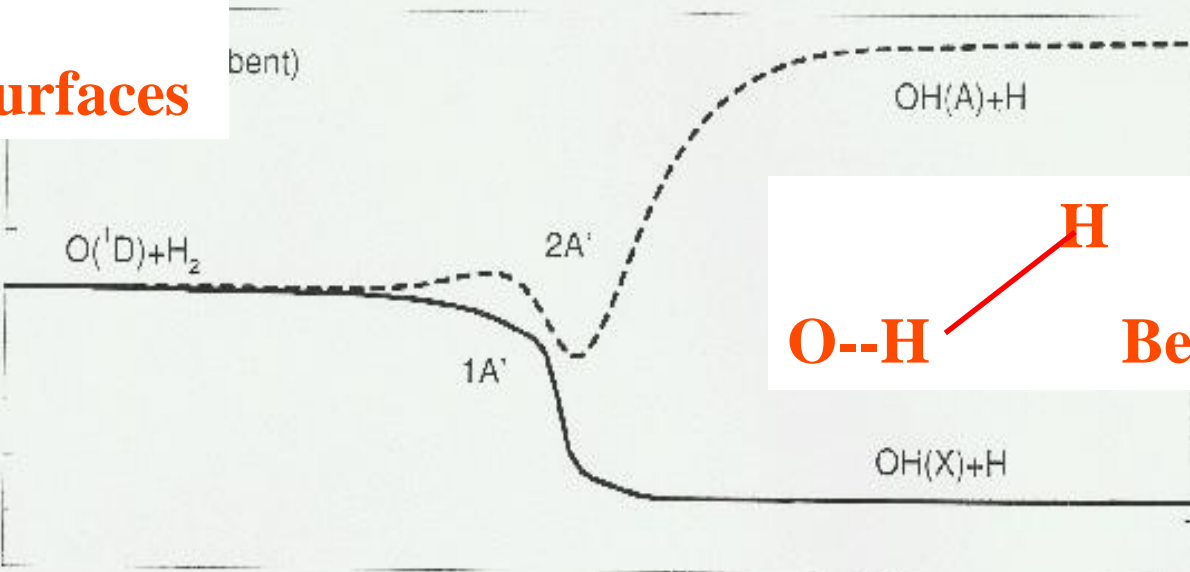


These 2 have a conical intersection



O-H-H collinear surface from
Schatz, Papaioannou,
Pederson, Harding, Hollebeek,
Ho & Rabitz
JCP 107, 2340 (1997)

surfaces



OBJECTIVE:

To compute ratio $\sigma(j=1)/\sigma(j=0)$

**$\sigma(j=1)$ --- Total reactive cross section
starting from $H_2(j=1)$**

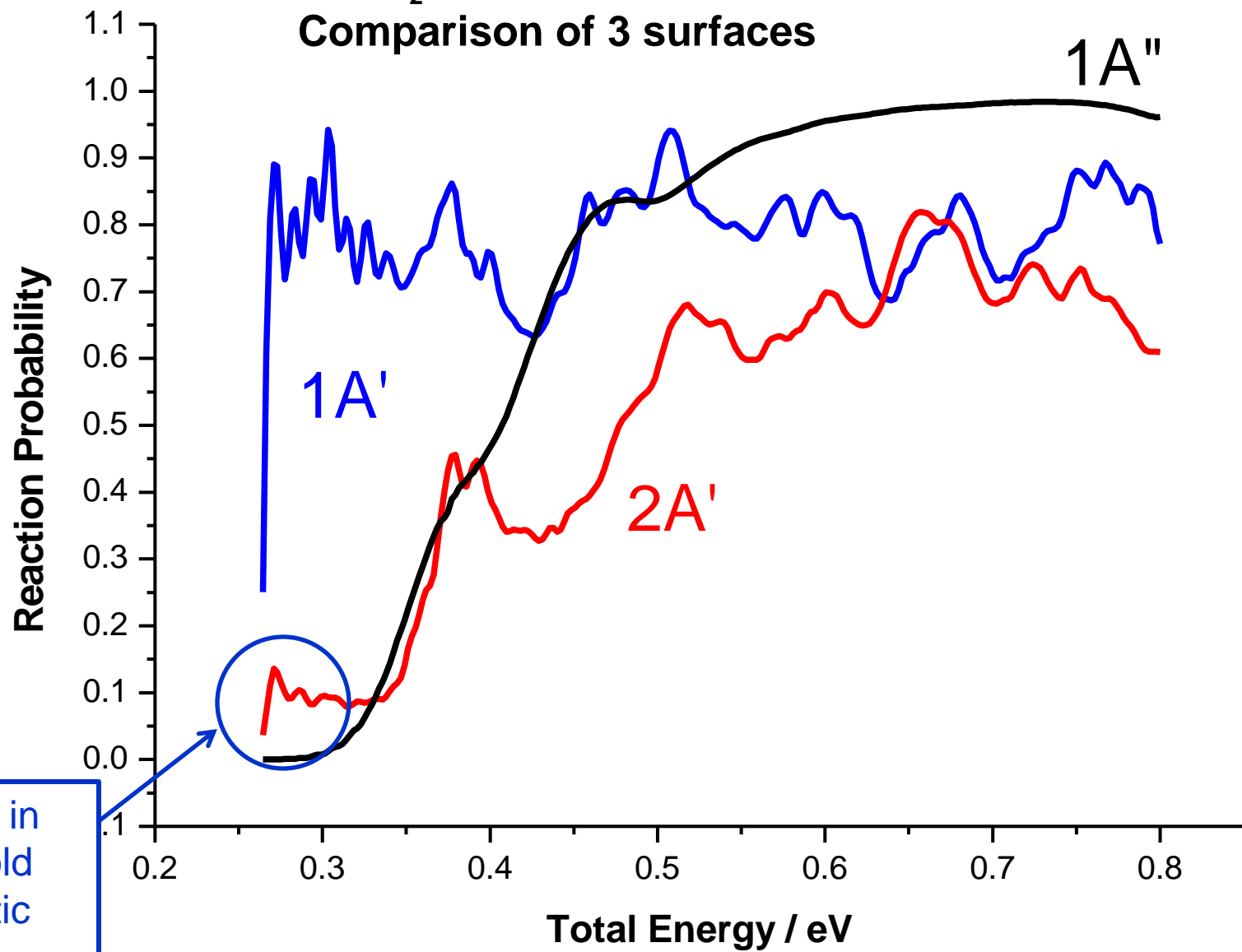
**We use the helicity decoupling approximation.
Helicity (k)**

$k=0$ for $j=0$

$k=0$ or 1 for $j=1$

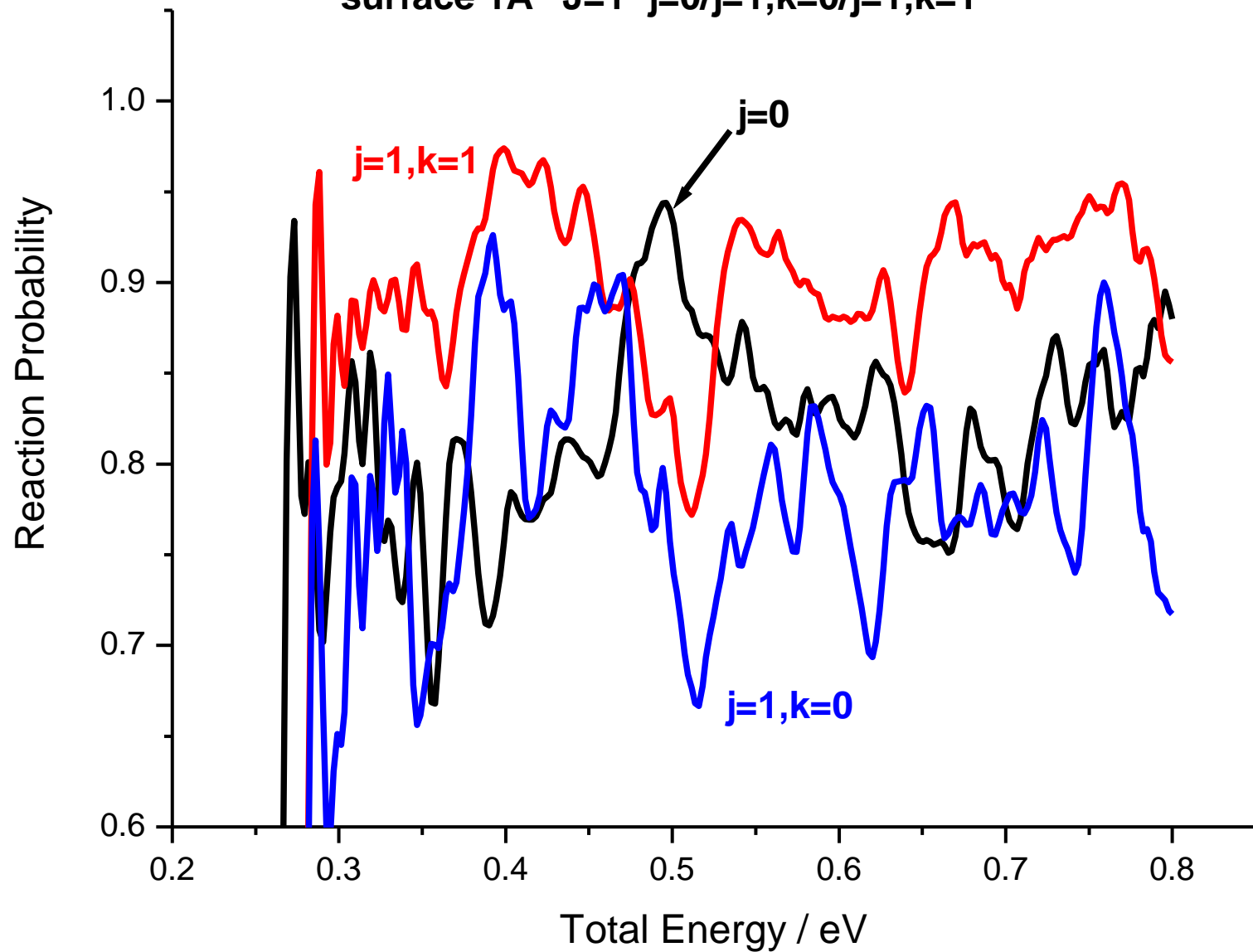
O + H₂ Reaction Probabilities, J=0

Comparison of 3 surfaces

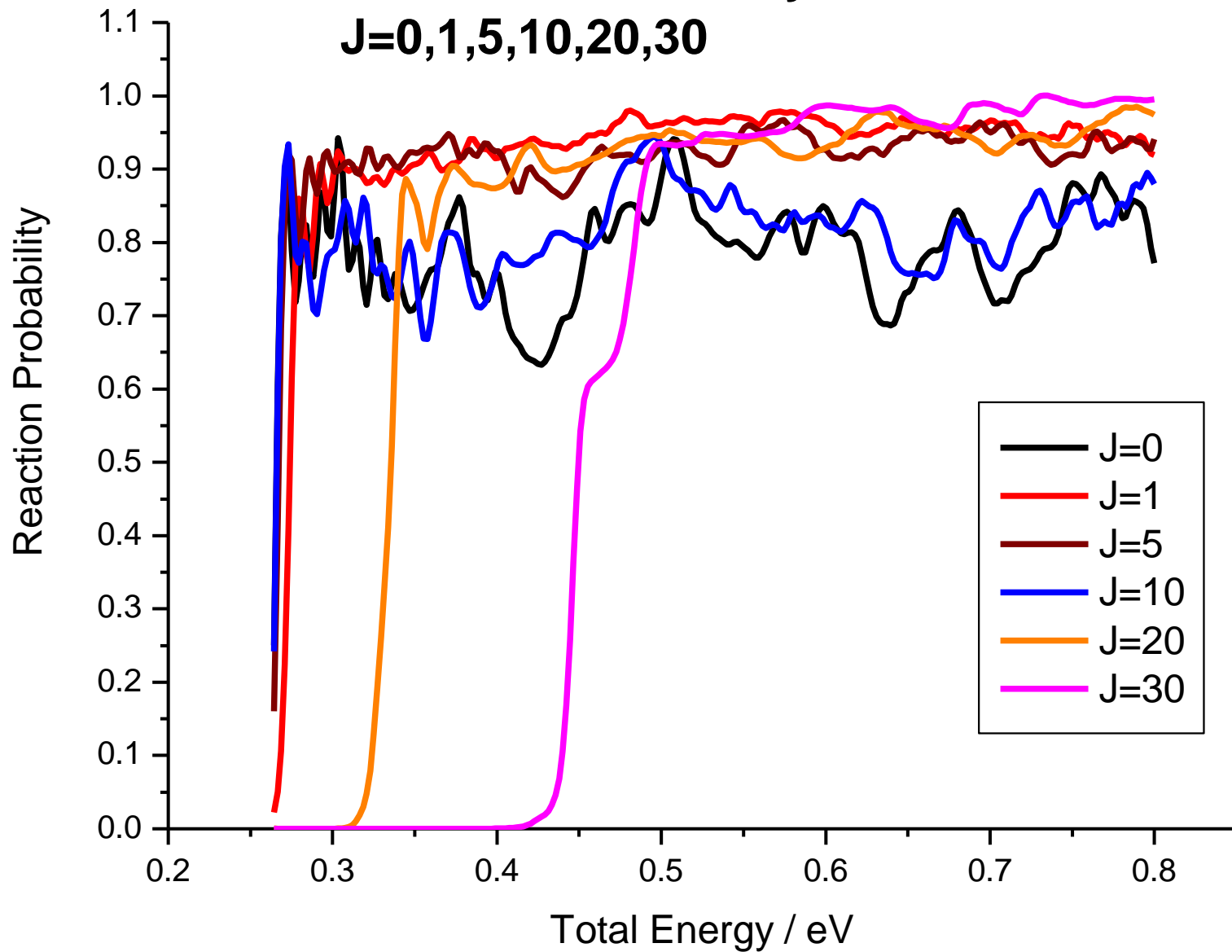


probability in
near threshold
non-adiabatic

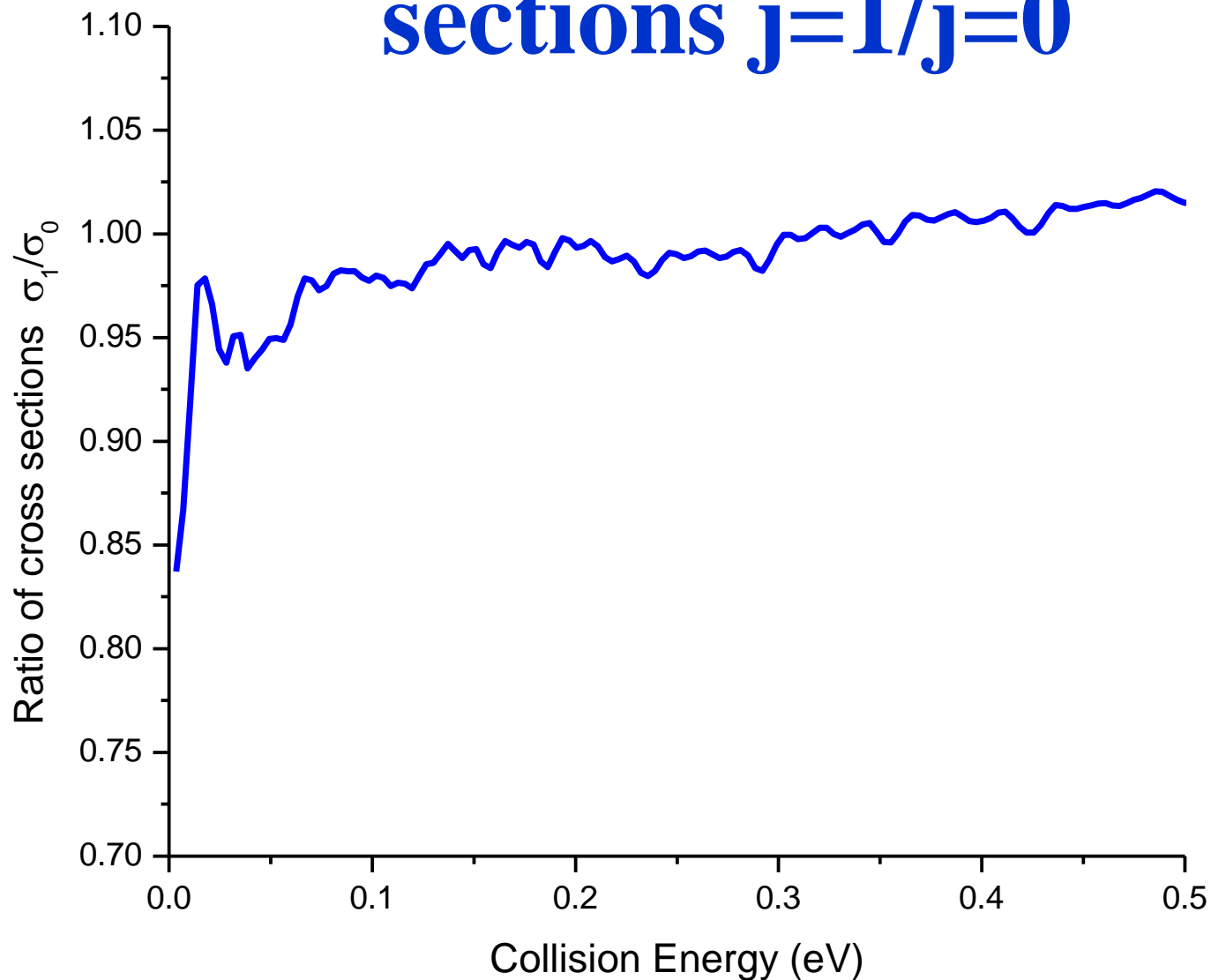
O + H₂ -- Reactive Scattering Probabilities
surface 1A' J=1 j=0/j=1,k=0/j=1,k=1



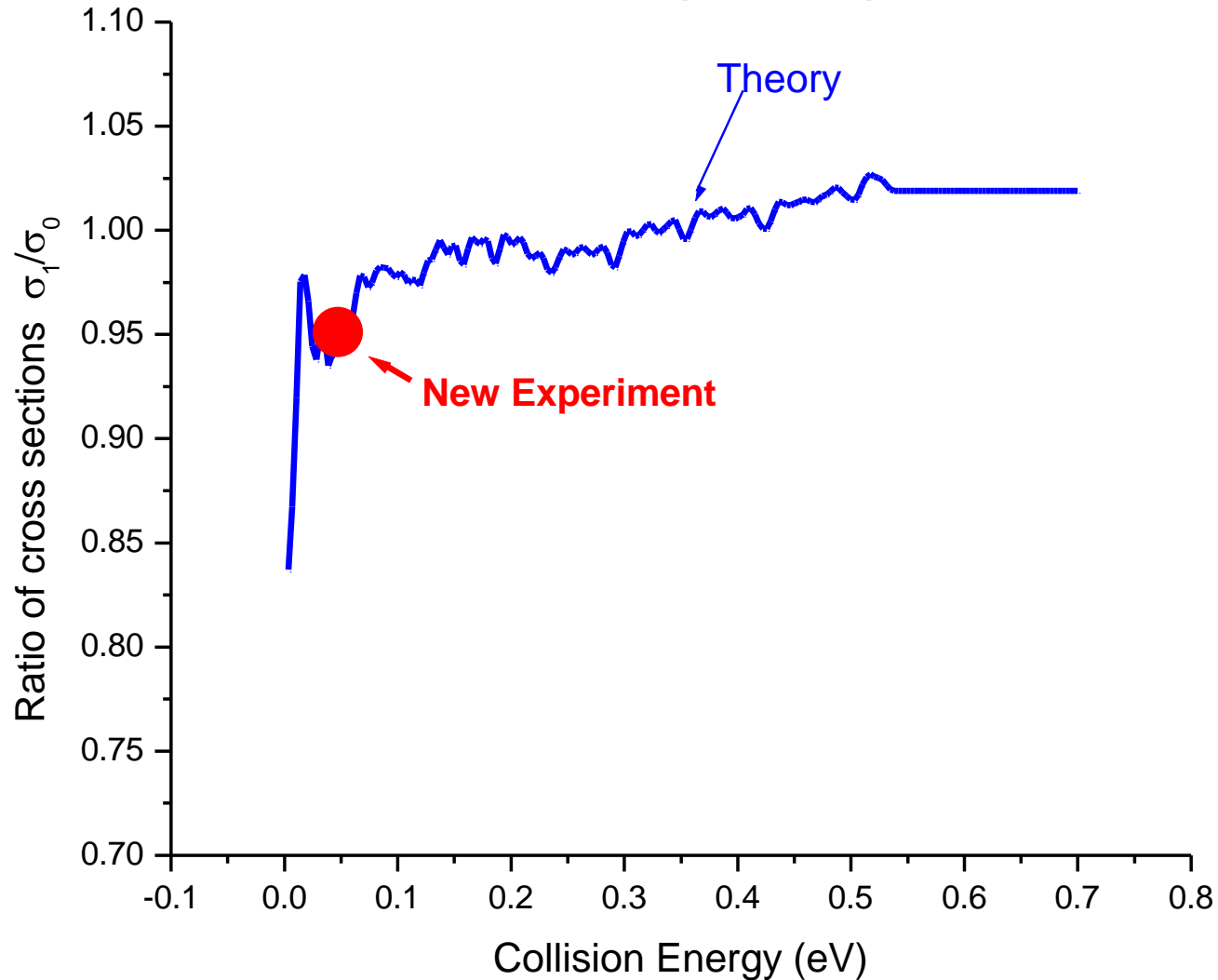
Reaction Probability on 1A' surface $v=0, j=0$ $J=0,1,5,10,20,30$



O+H₂ ratio of reactive cross sections $j=1/j=0$



O+H₂ ratio of reactive cross sections $j=1/j=0$



Stephen Gray

**An alternative method for propagating the
wavepacket forward in time**

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = \hat{H} \Psi$$

$$\Psi(t + \tau) = e^{-i\hat{H}\tau/\hbar} \Psi(t)$$

$$\Psi(t - \tau) = e^{+i\hat{H}\tau/\hbar} \Psi(t)$$

$$\Psi(t + \tau) = -\Psi(t - \tau) + 2 \cos\left(\frac{\hat{H}\tau}{\hbar}\right) \Psi(t)$$

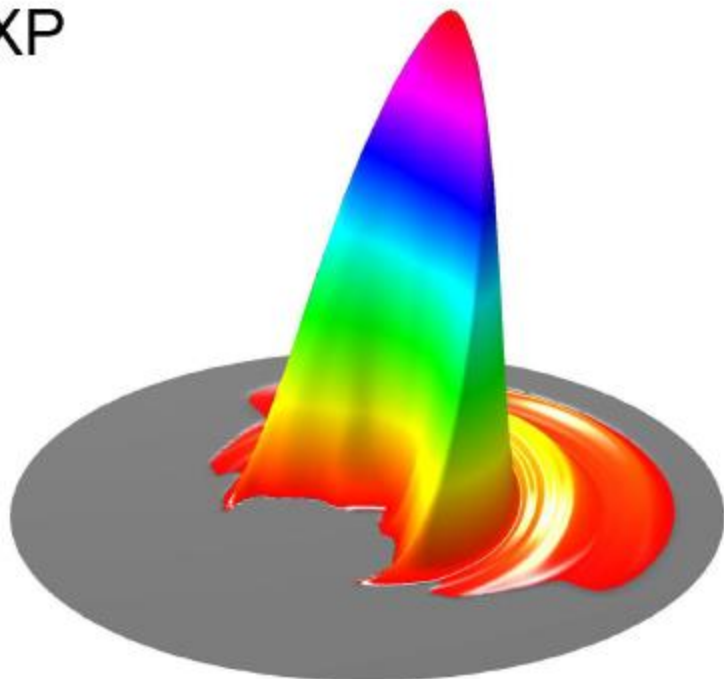
$$\Psi(t + \tau) = -\Psi(t - \tau) + 2\hat{H}\Psi(t)$$

Using the alternative time propagation together with the functional mapping we can

- 1) Use Real Wavepackets as no “i” appears in the propagation.**
- 2) The propagation becomes much more efficient.**

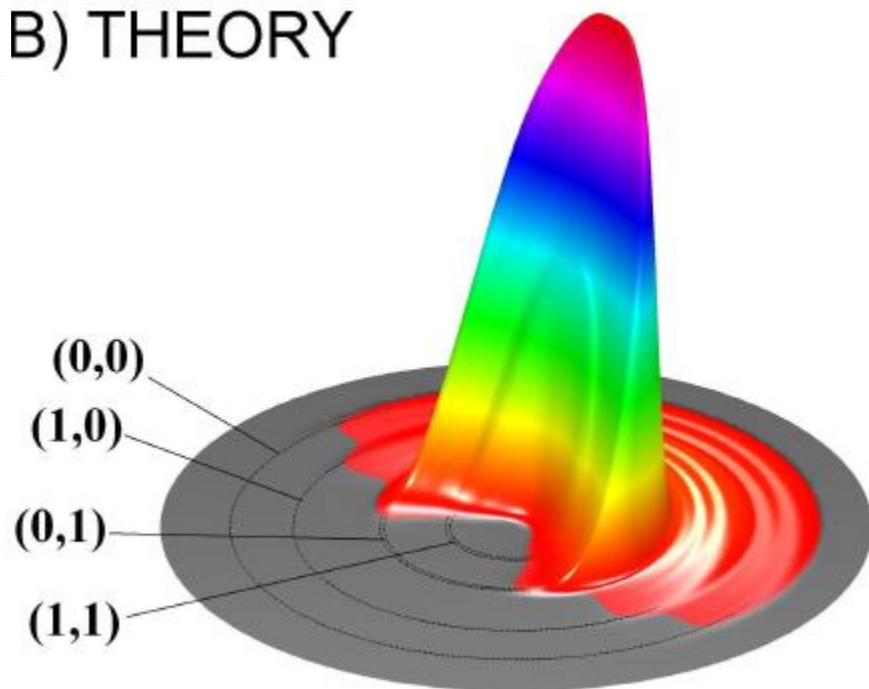
Some Examples of recent Wavepacket Calculations by other people

(A) EXP



HD + OH \rightarrow H₂O + D reactive
differential cross section

B) THEORY



C. Xiao, X. Xu, S. Liu, T. Wang, W. Dong,
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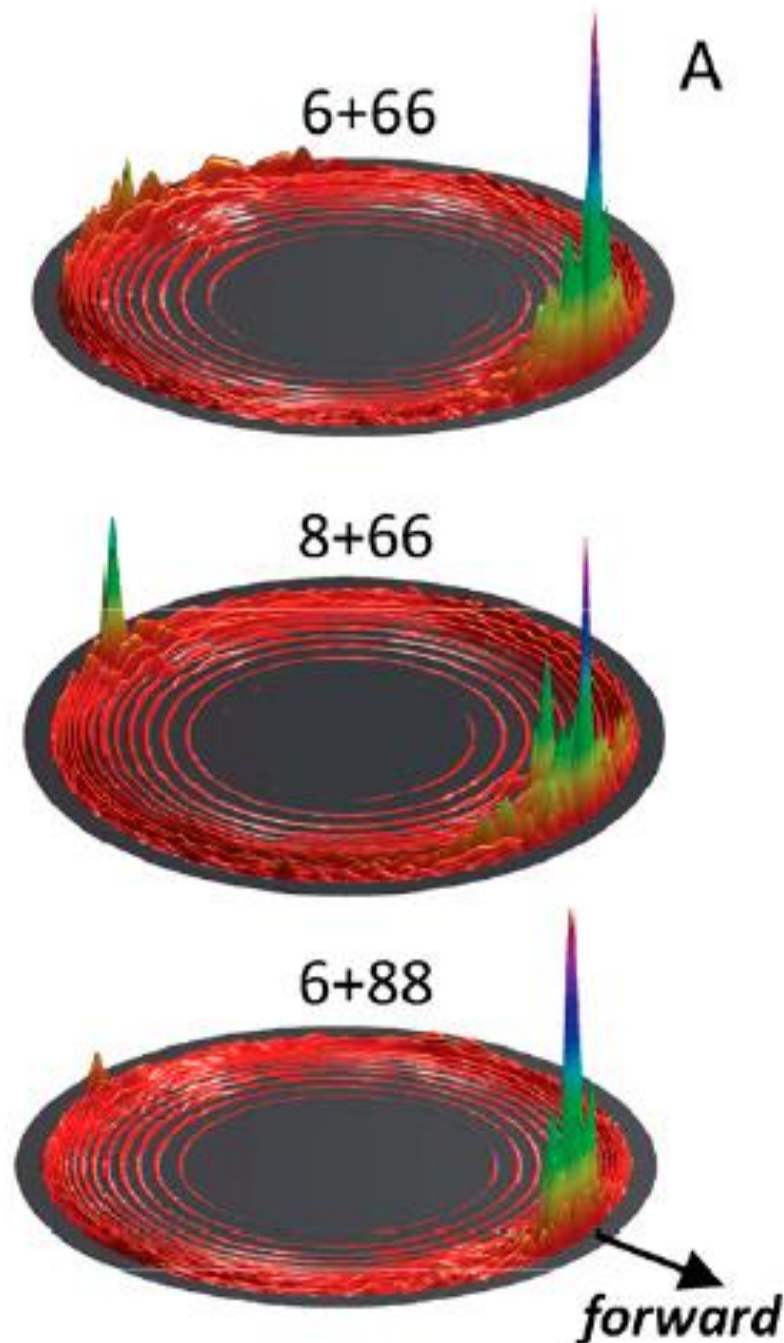
State-to-state quantum
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Shi Ying Lin,
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Hua Guo,
and **Dong H. Zhang**

PNAS 107, 555 (2010)

**Differential Reactive Cross
Sections**



Photodissociation Dynamics, Bristol 1994



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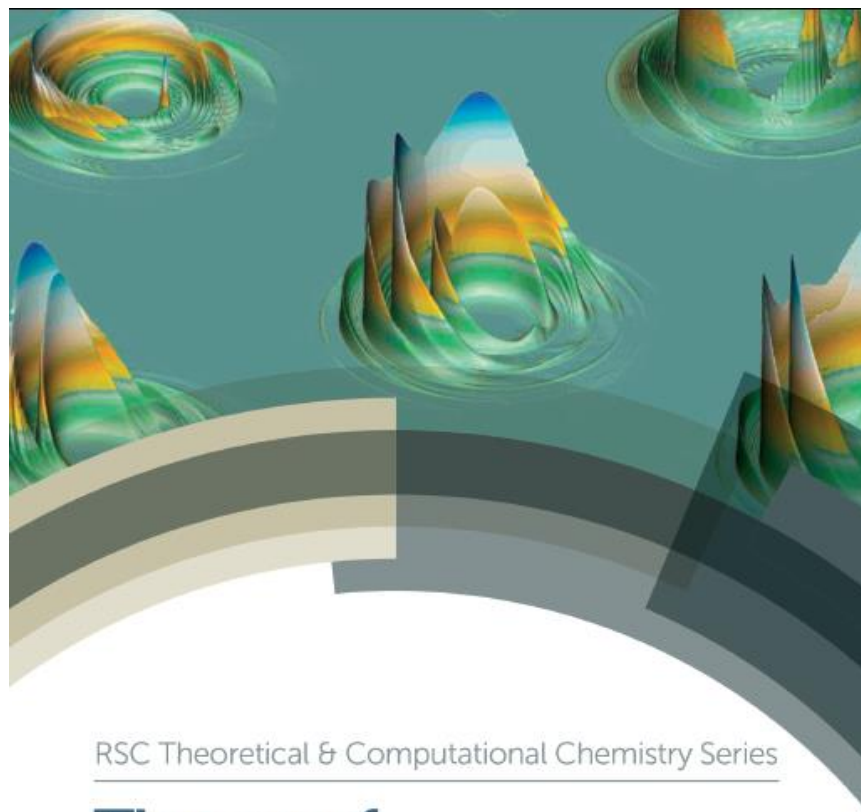
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