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## **Elementary Photophysical Transitions and Photochemical Reactions**

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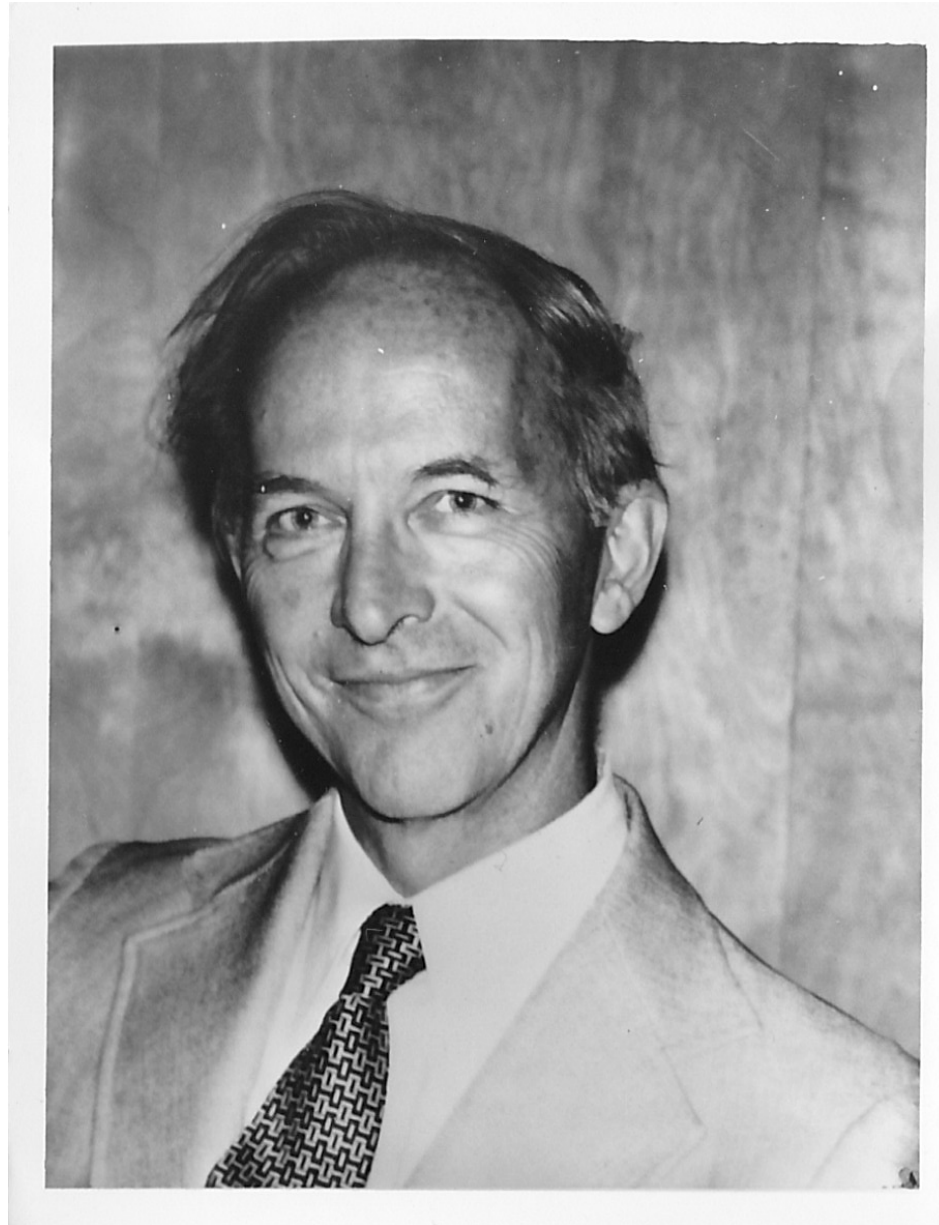
**Photochemistry's  
Icons  
Why I am here.**



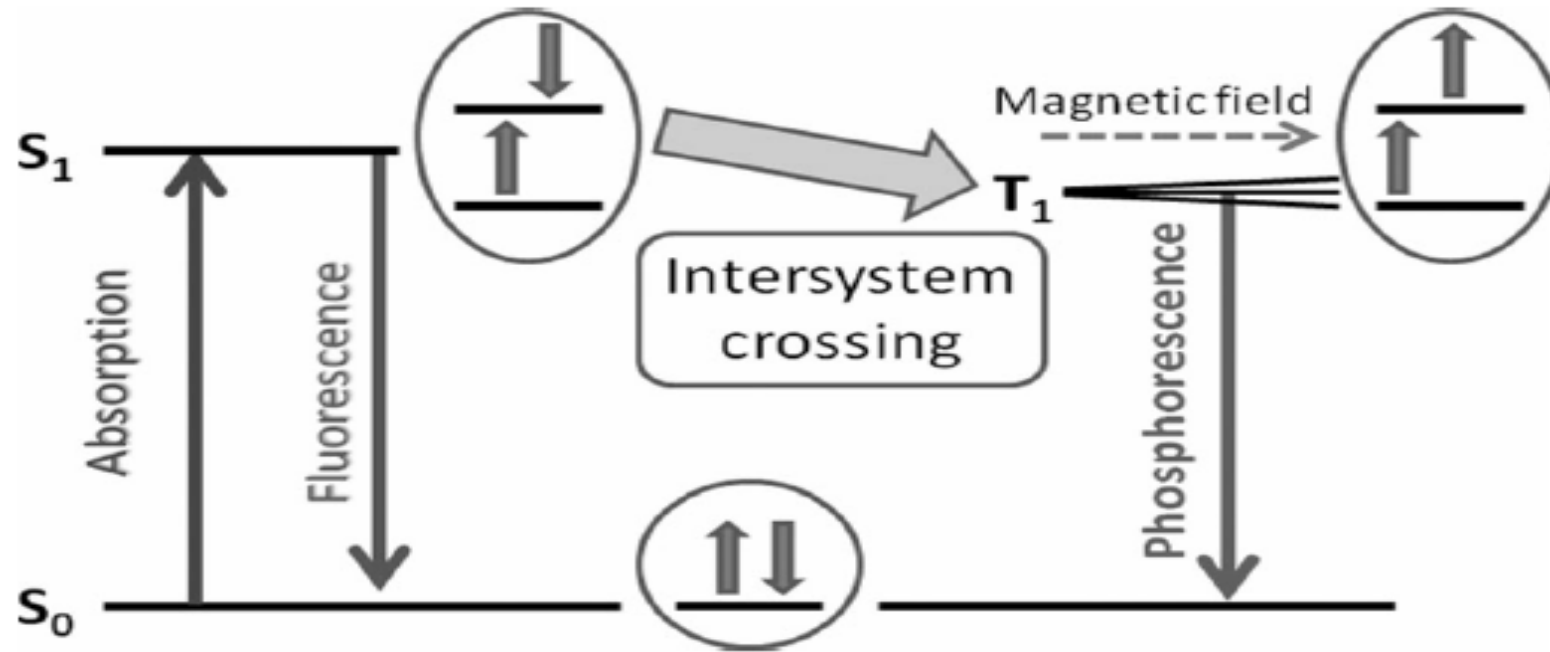
**Figure 1-3.** Some of photochemistry's icons. Upper (from left to right): Giacomo Ciamician (1857–1922), Theodor Förster (1910–1974), Michael Kasha (1920). Lower: George Hammond (1921–2005), George Porter (1920–2002), Ahmed Zewail (1946).

**From Photochemistry of Organic Compounds by Peter Klán and Jakob Wirz, 2009**

**Photo by Lilli Kasha ca. 1970**



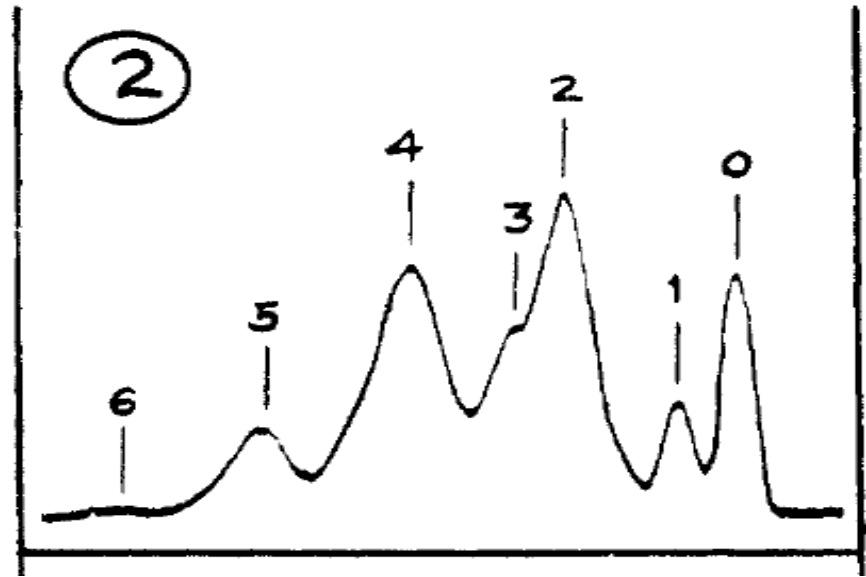
# Intersystem Crossing



Demchenko, A. P. *et al.* *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* 2014, 53, 2-11.

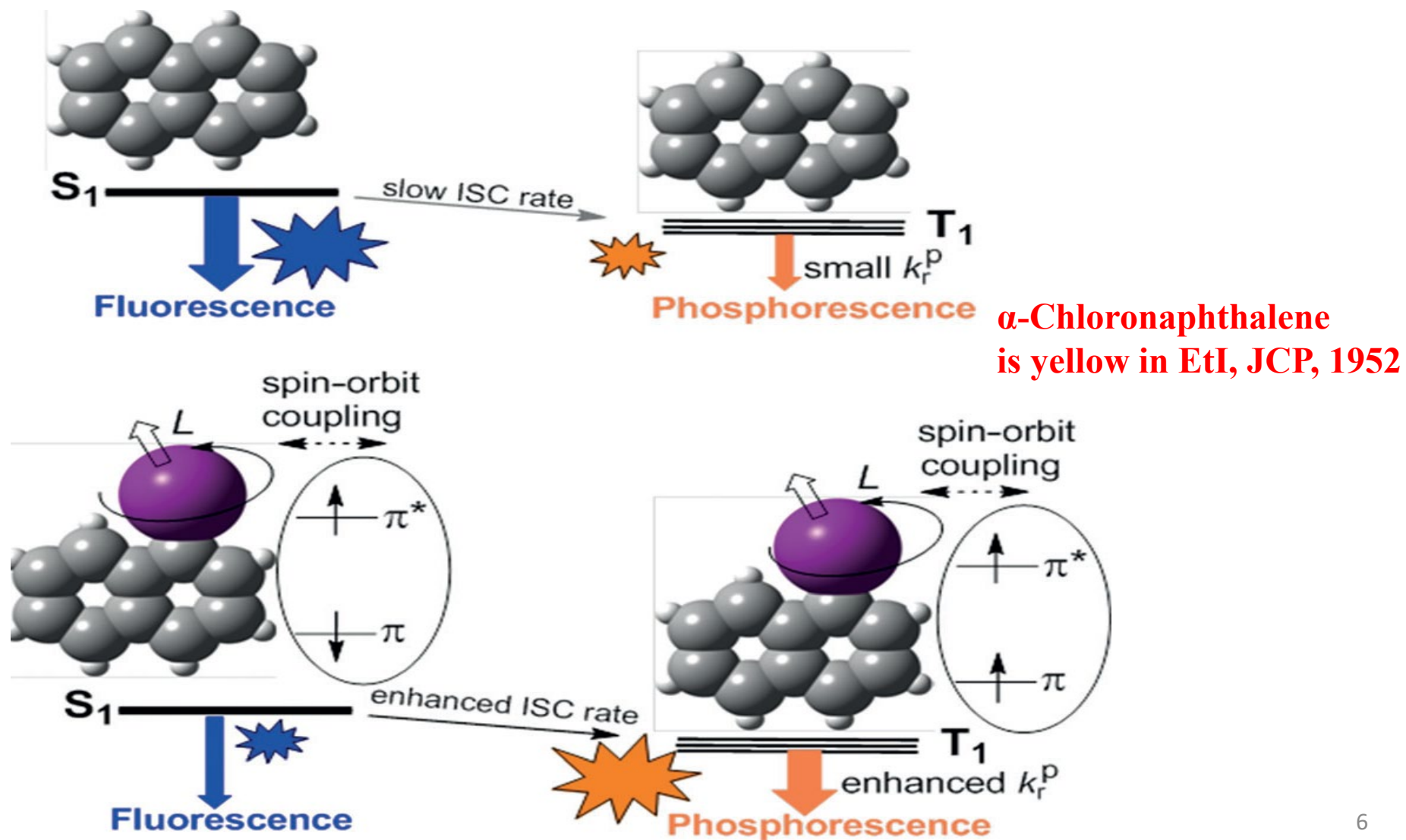
# Phosphorescence and the Triplet State

Gilbert N. Lewis , M. Kasha *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1944**, *66*, 2100-2116

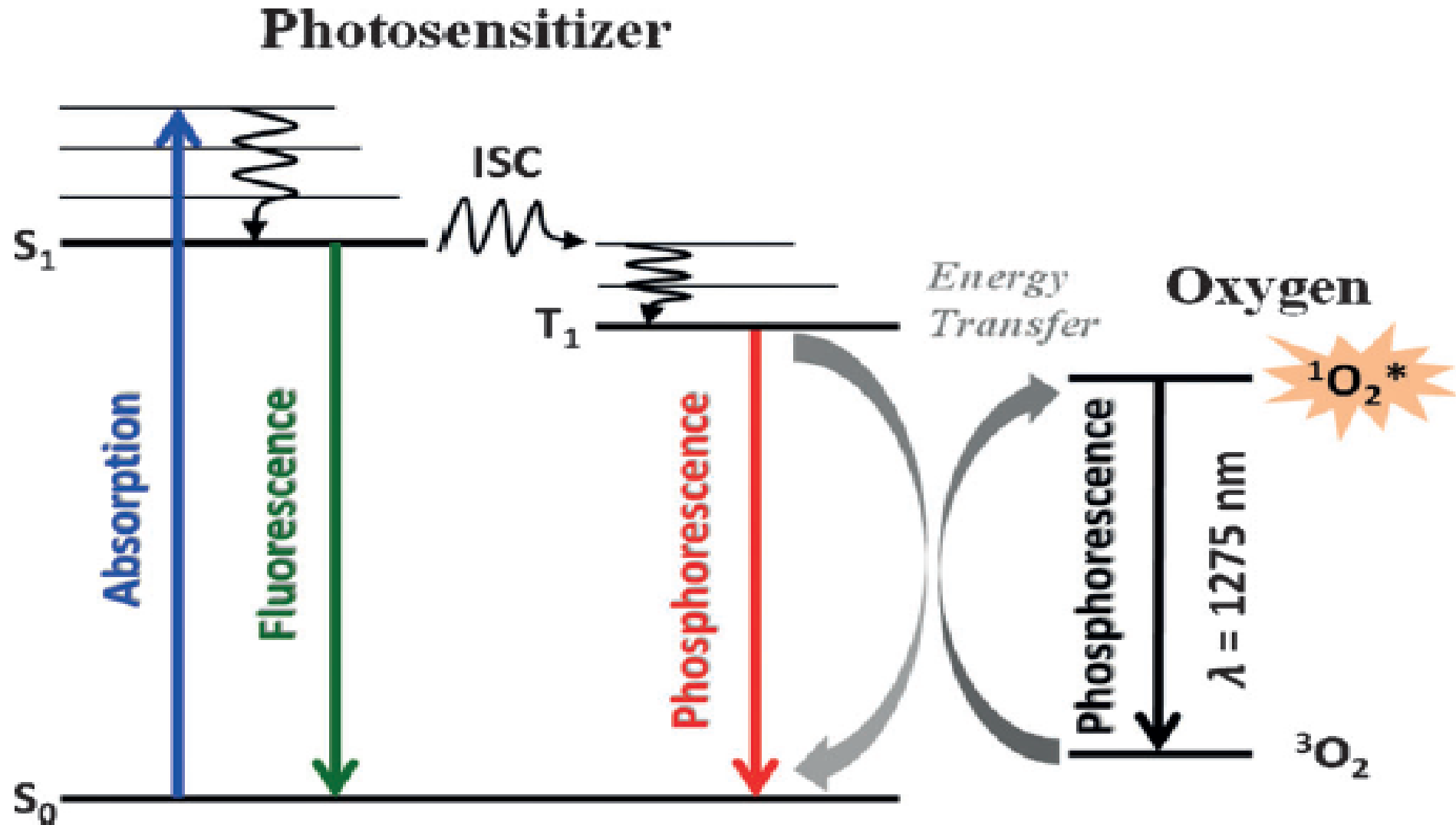


**Naphthalene phosphorescence – triplet energies**

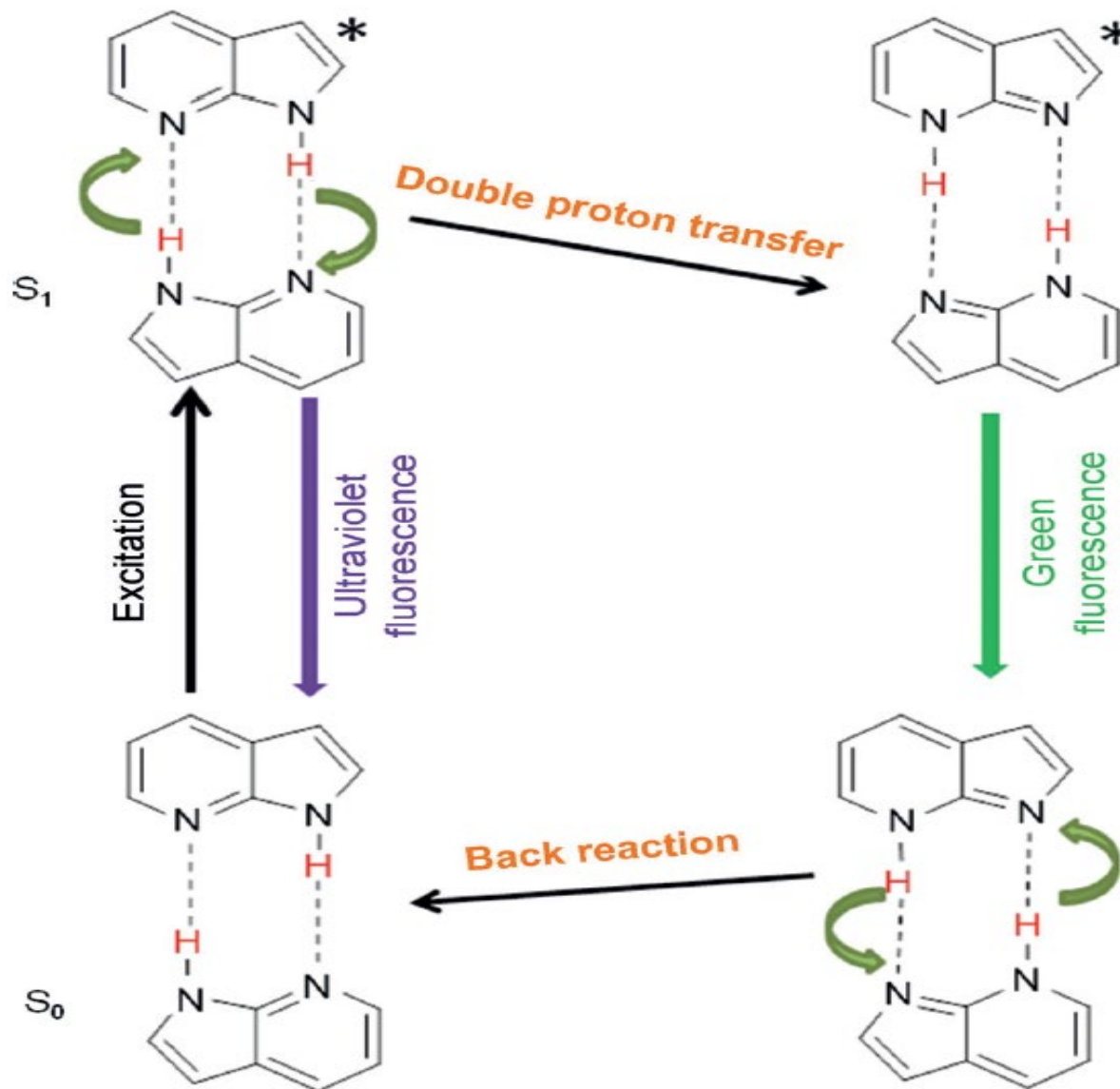
# External and Internal Heavy Atom Effects



# Singlet O<sub>2</sub> in Chemiluminescence and in Triplet Energy Transfer

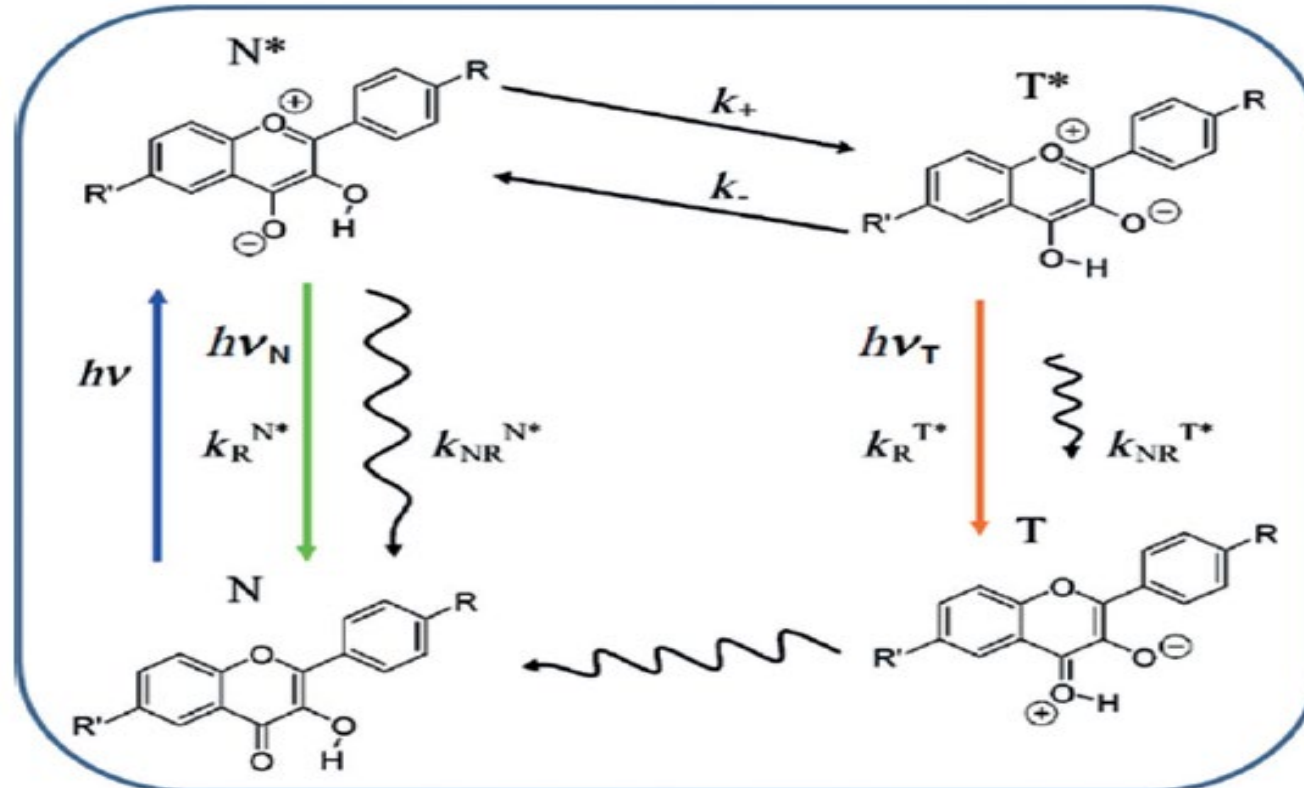


# Double Proton Transfer in 7-Azaindole Proton Transfer Spectroscopy





# The Blue Daylily and Intramolecular $S_1$ Proton Transfer in Flavonoids

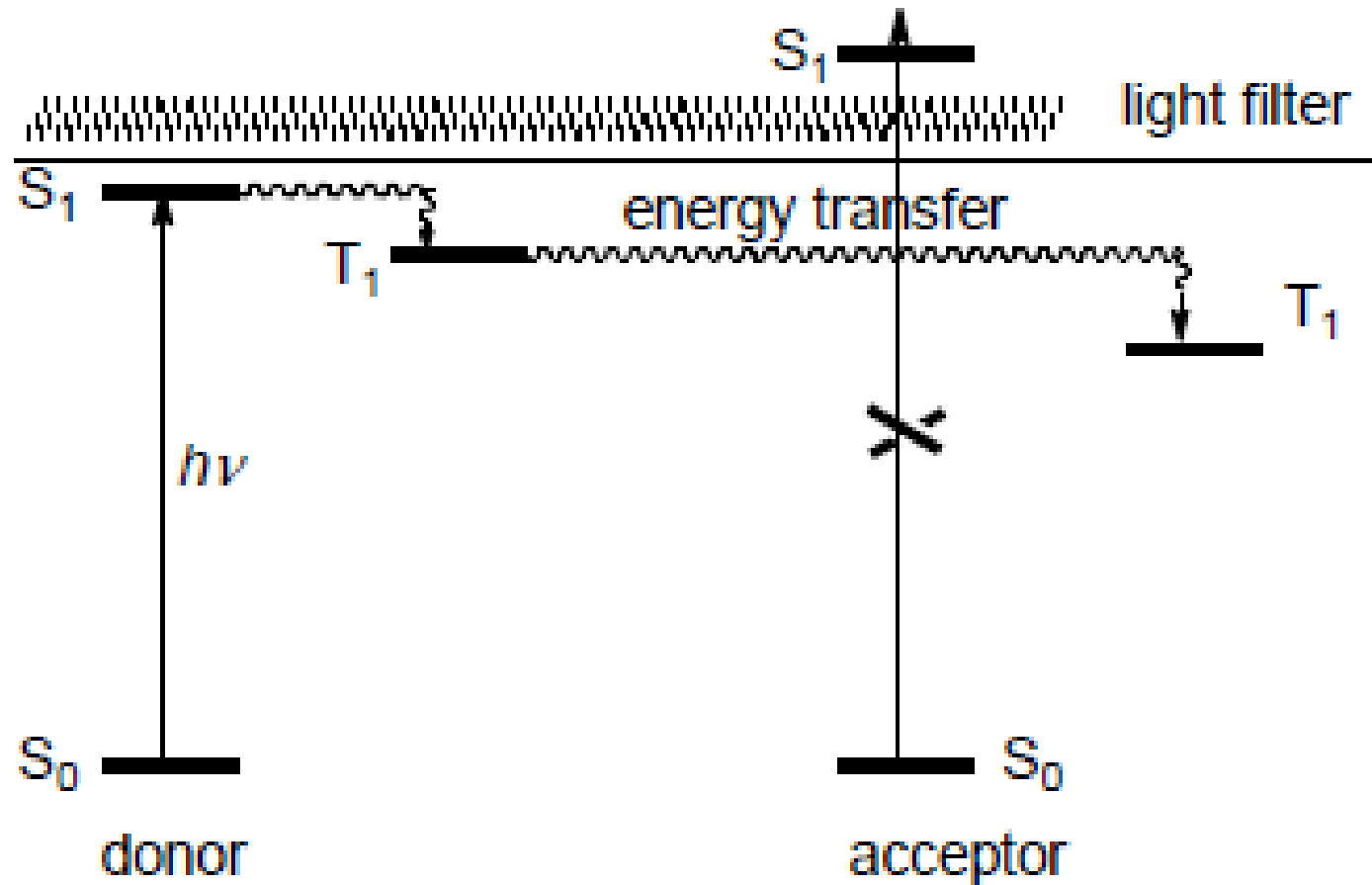


# The Kasha Guitar

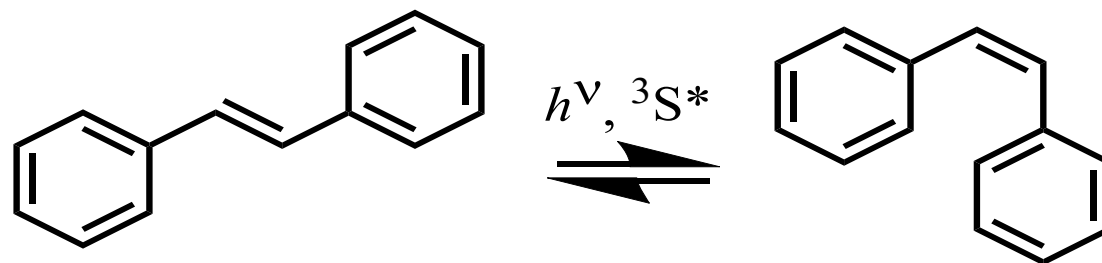
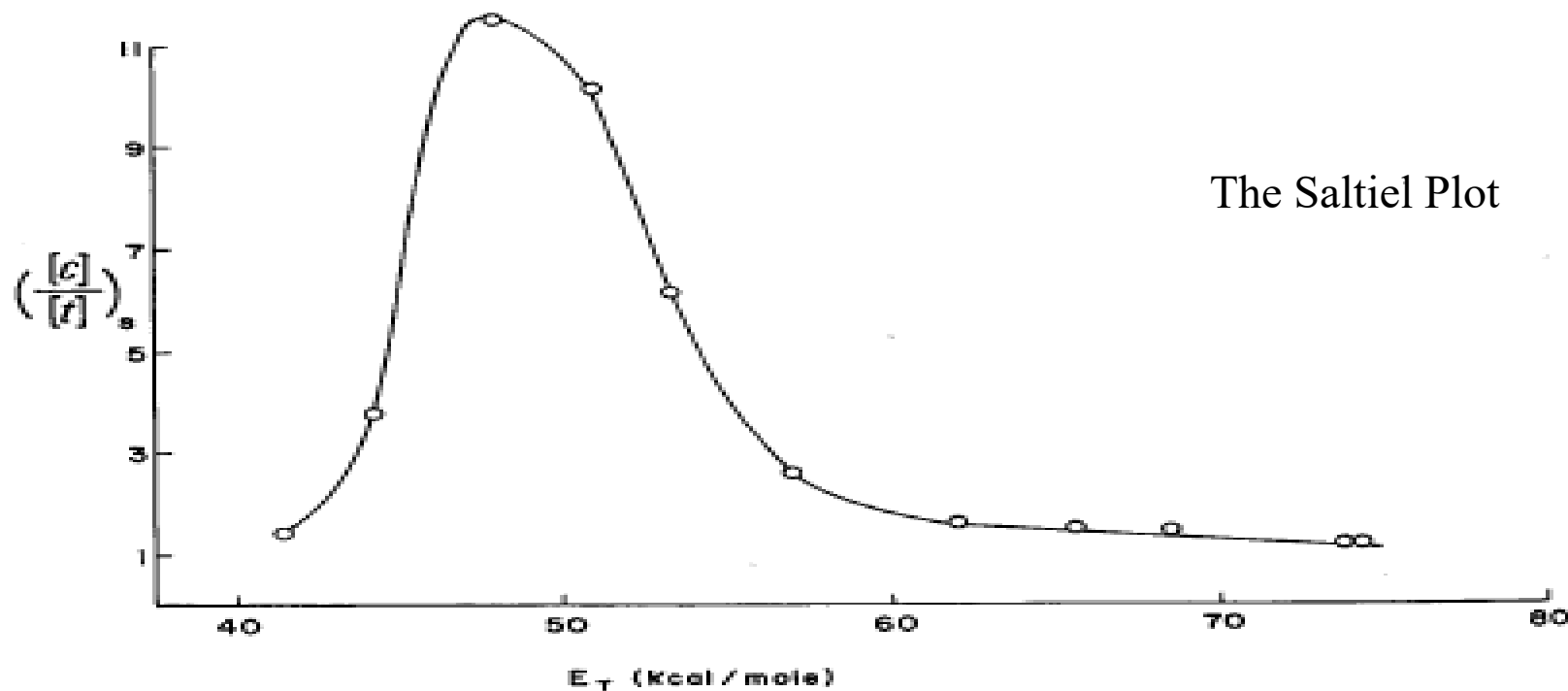


Kasha'schneider kasha model

# Triplet Sensitization

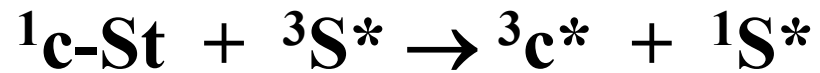
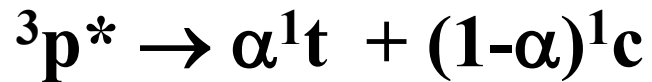
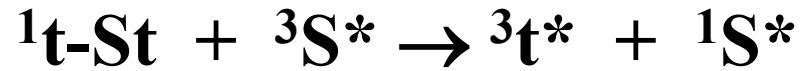


# Triplet Sensitized Stilbene Photoisomerization



Hammond, G. S.; Saltiel, J. *J. Am. Soc. Chem.* 1962-1964.

# The Photostationary State



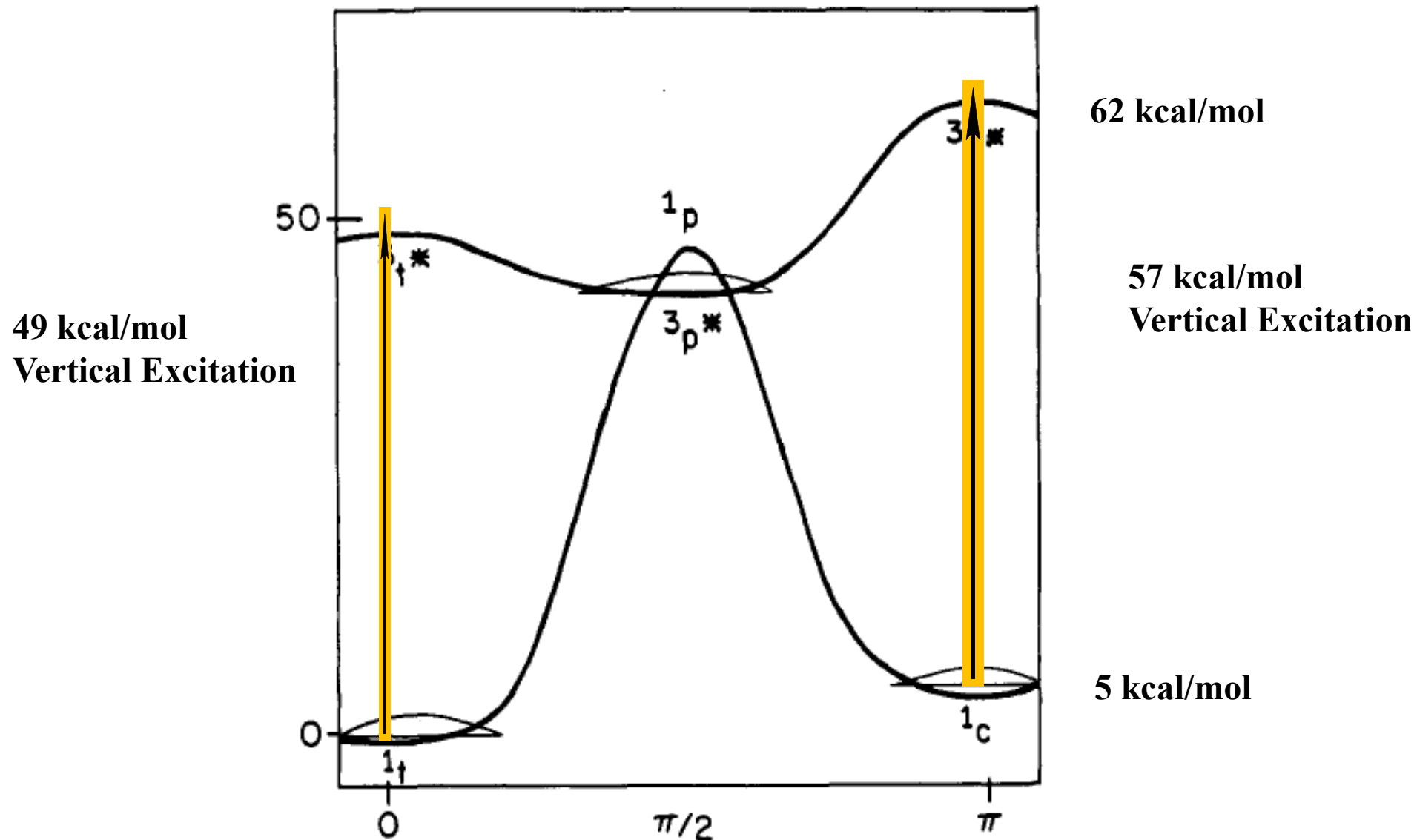
$$\frac{d[{}^1\text{t}]}{dt} = -k_t[{}^3\text{S}^*][{}^1\text{t}] + \alpha k_d[{}^1\text{p}^*] = 0$$

$$\frac{d[{}^1\text{c}]}{dt} = -k_c[{}^3\text{S}^*][{}^1\text{c}] + (1-\alpha)k_d[{}^1\text{p}^*] = 0$$

$$k_t[{}^3\text{S}^*][{}^1\text{t}] = \alpha k_d[{}^1\text{p}^*]$$

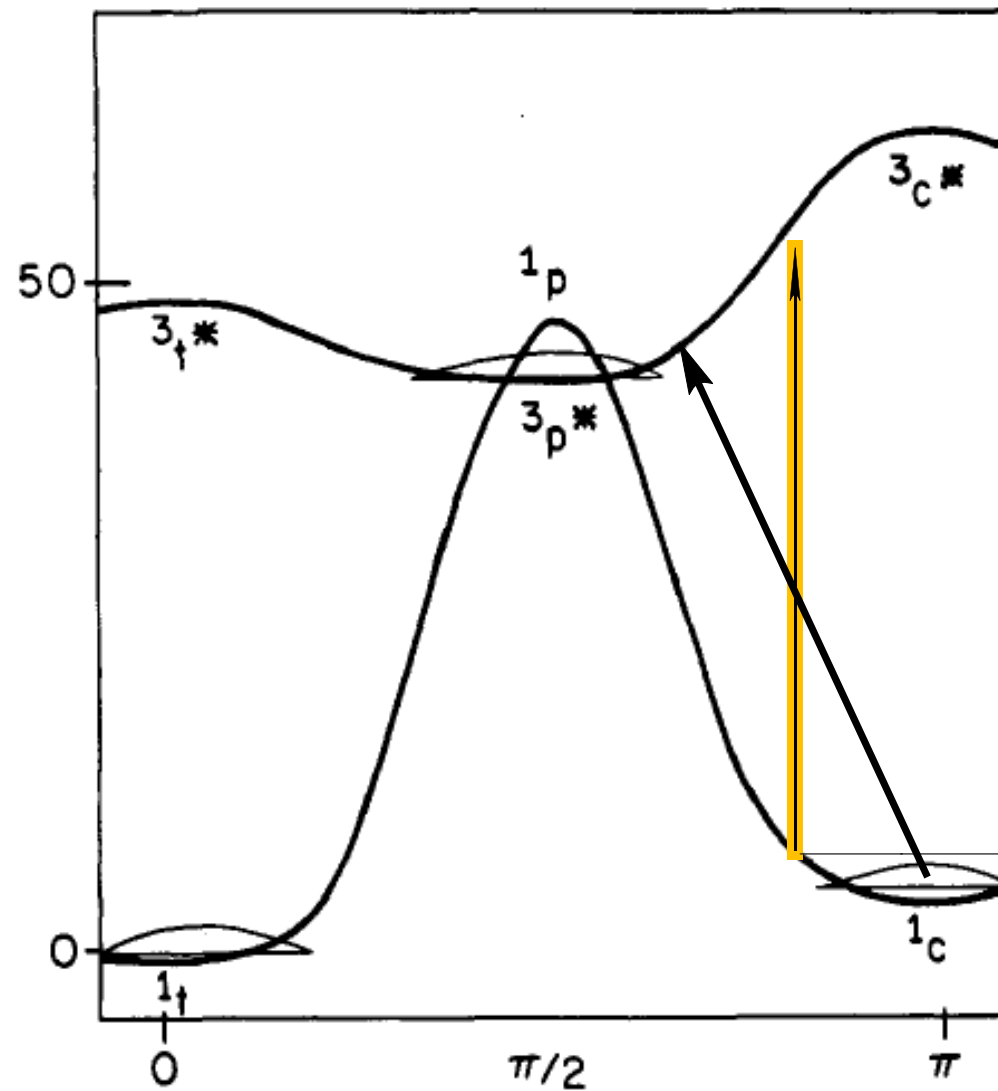
$$k_c[{}^3\text{S}^*][{}^1\text{c}] = (1-\alpha)k_d[{}^1\text{p}^*]$$

$$\left[ \frac{[{}^1\text{c}]}{[{}^1\text{t}]} \right]_{PSS} = \frac{[k_t]}{[k_c]} \frac{(1-\alpha)}{\alpha}$$

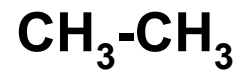
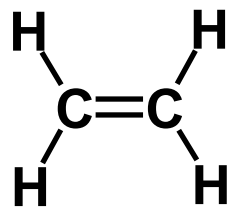


**Figure 2.** Proposed potential energy curves for twisting about the central bond of stilbene in  $S_0$  and  $T_1$ .

# Nonvertical Triplet Energy Transfer



**Figure 2.** Proposed potential energy curves for twisting about the central bond of stilbene in  $S_0$  and  $T_1$ .

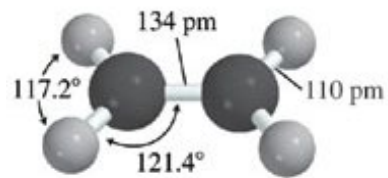
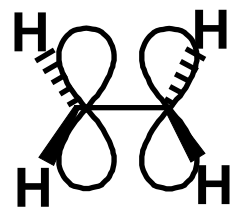


**Average bond energies**

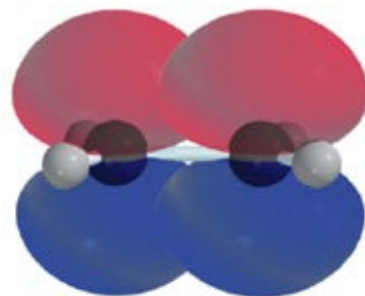
**C-C 83 kcal/mol**

**C=C 146 kcal/mol**

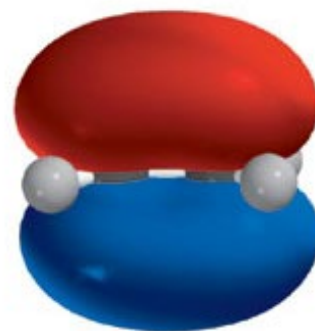
**$\pi$  bond ~ 63 kcal/mol**



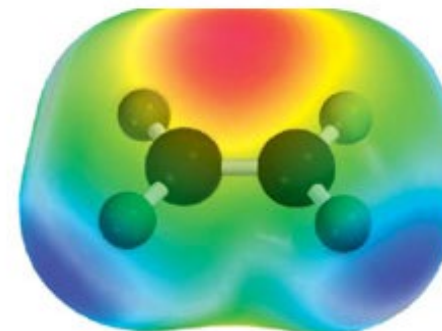
(a)



(b)



(c)

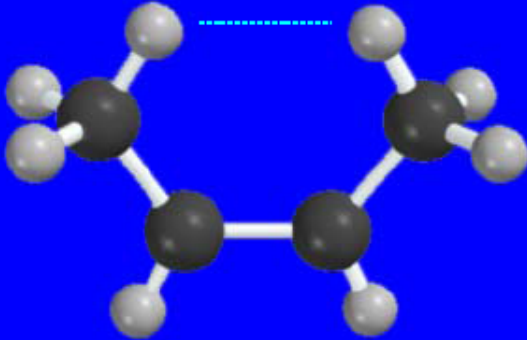


(d)

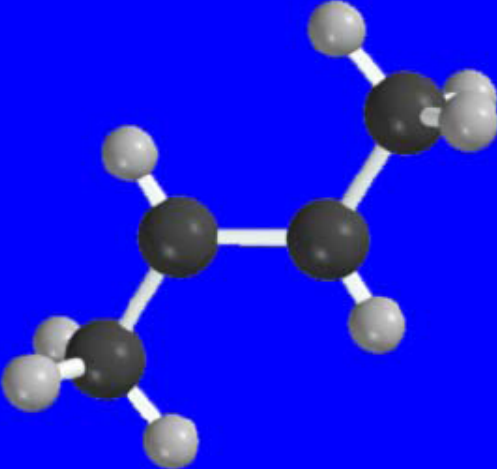


*cis and trans-2-Butene*

van der Waals strain  
due to crowding of  
cis-methyl groups

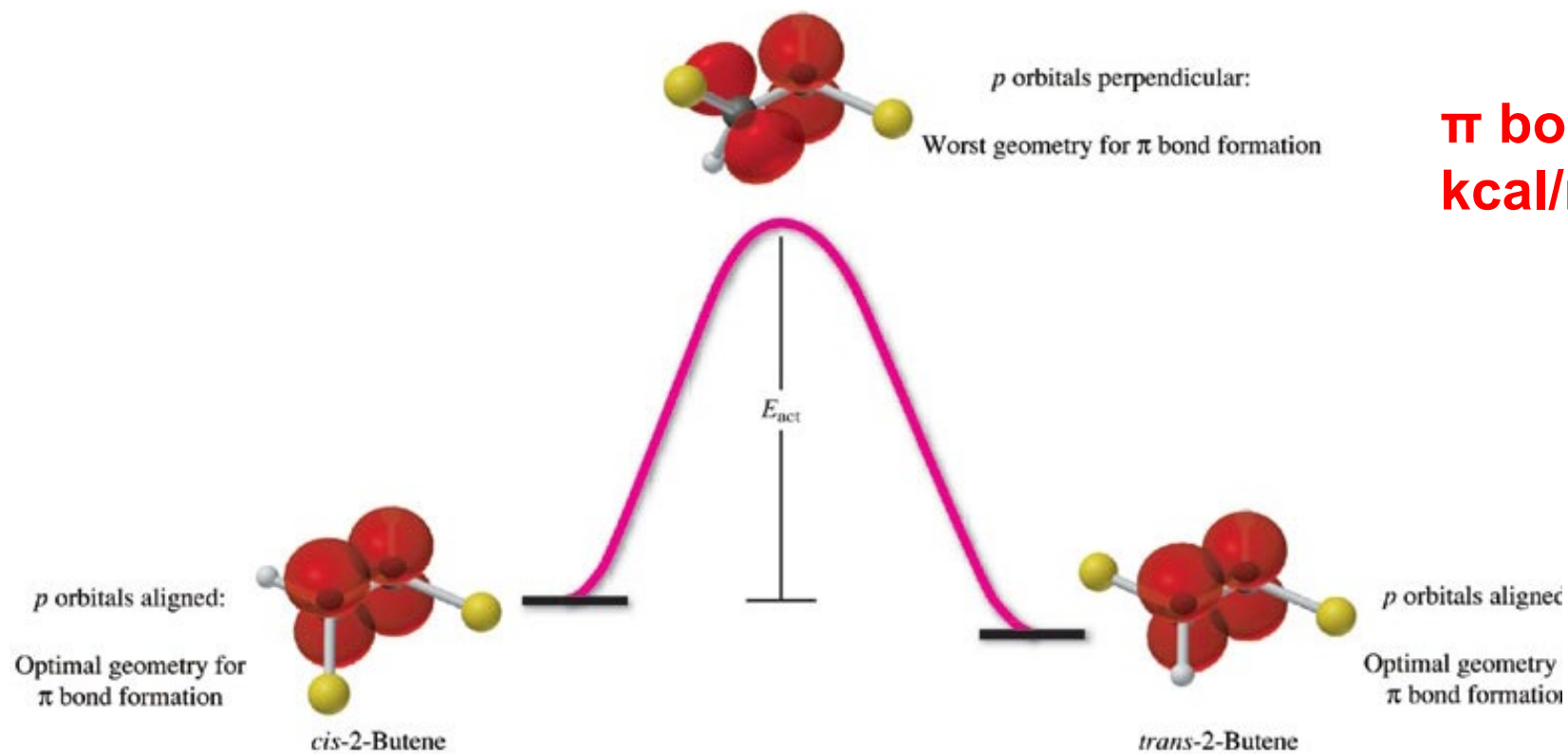


*cis-2-butene*

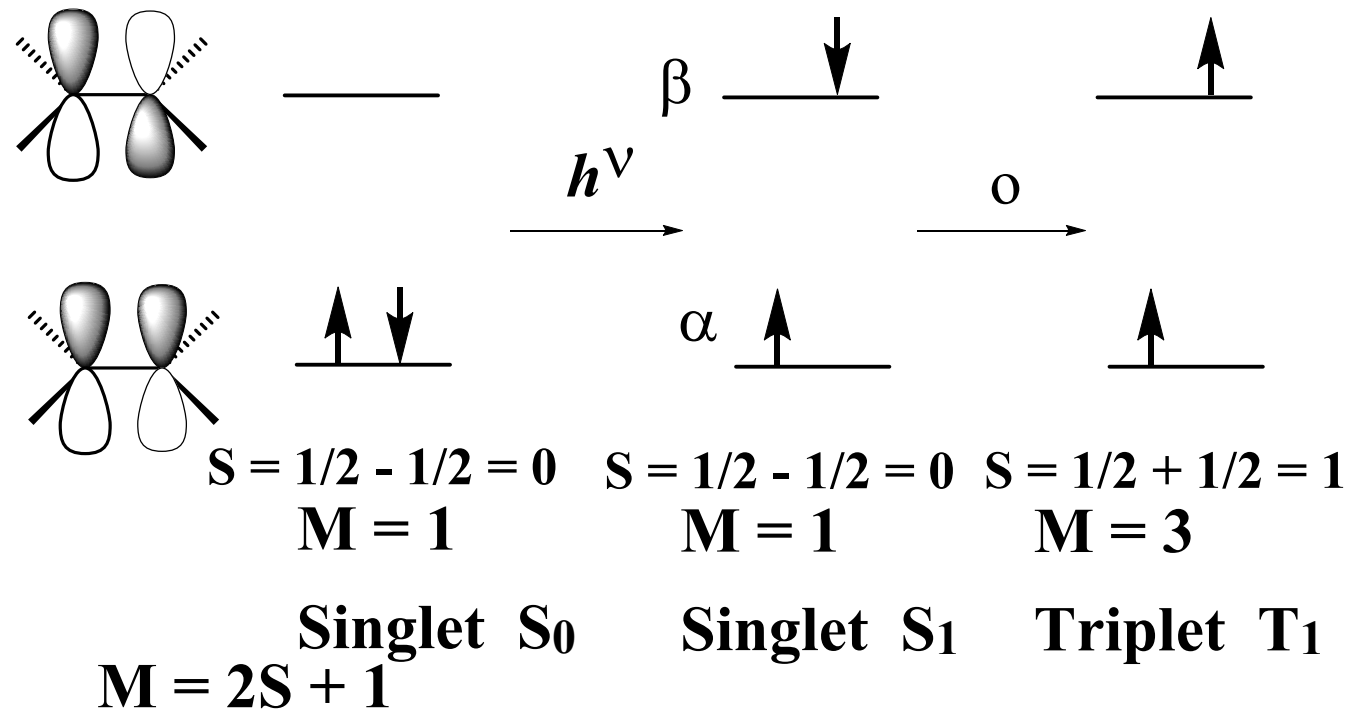


*trans-2-butene*

*cis*- and *trans*-2-butenes are stable separable isomers. They have the same connectivity and are stereoisomers. Rotation about a double bond occurs only at very high  $T$  or following light absorption.

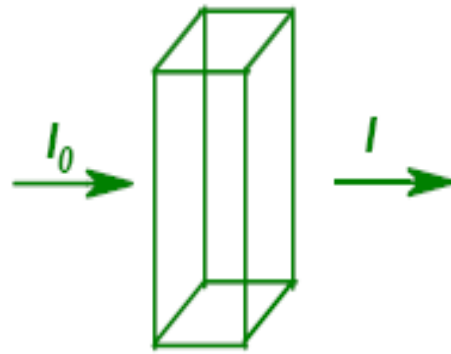


$\pi$  bond  $\sim E_{act} = 66$   
kcal/mol



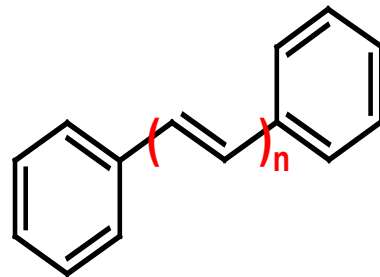
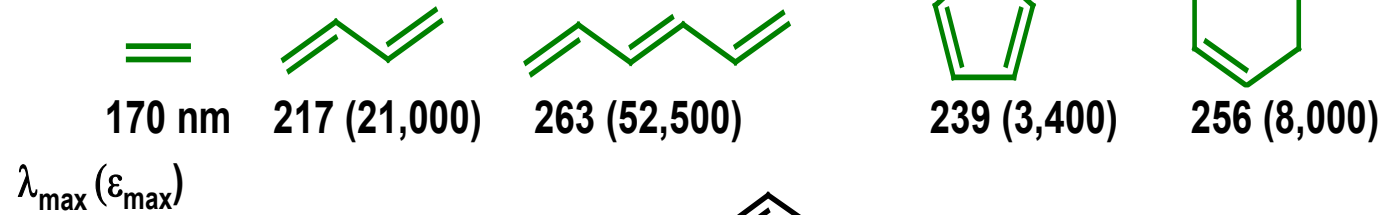
**Spin States**  $\alpha\alpha$ ,  $\beta\beta$ ,  $\sqrt{1/2}(\alpha\beta + \beta\alpha)$ ,  $\sqrt{1/2}(\alpha\beta - \beta\alpha)$

**T T T S**



**Absorbance**

$$A = \log(I_0/I) = \epsilon cl$$



n	$\lambda_{\max}$ , nm	$\epsilon_{\max} \times 10^{-3}$ , $M^{-1}cm^{-1}$
1	294.1	28
2	328	53
3	348	80
4	404	86

**Effect of Conjugation**

# Molecular Orbital Analysis of the Diels-Alder Reaction

The **diene** is the electron **donor** and the **dienophile** is the electron **acceptor**. The concerted nature of the D-A reaction can be understood by considering the interaction of the **HOMO of the diene** with the **LUMO of the dienophile** (Fukui/Kyoto, Woodward/Harvard, Hoffmann/Harvard now Cornell---Nobel prize in Chemistry)



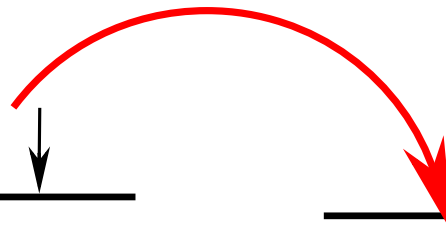
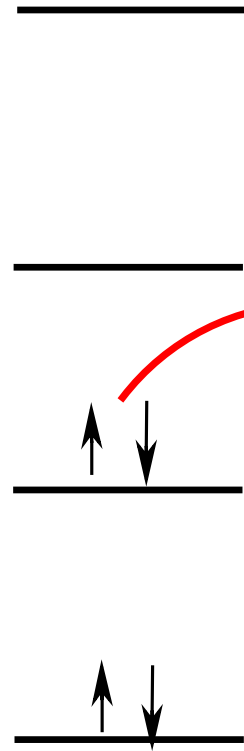
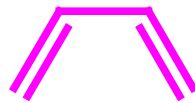
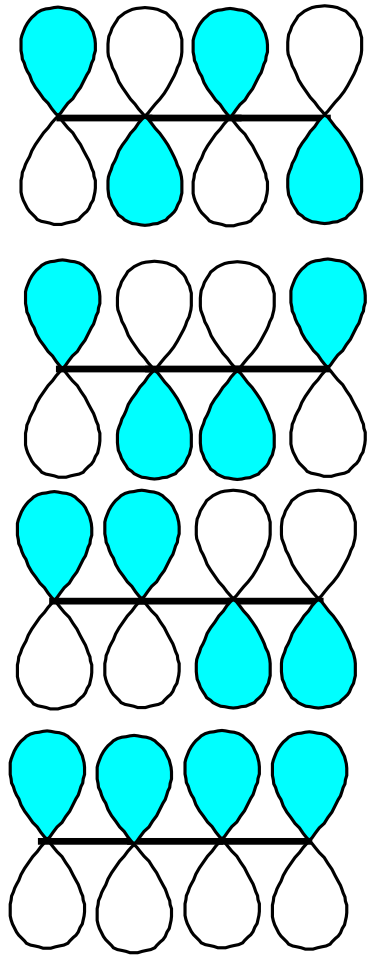
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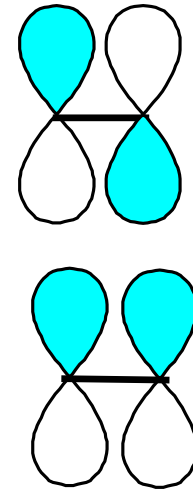
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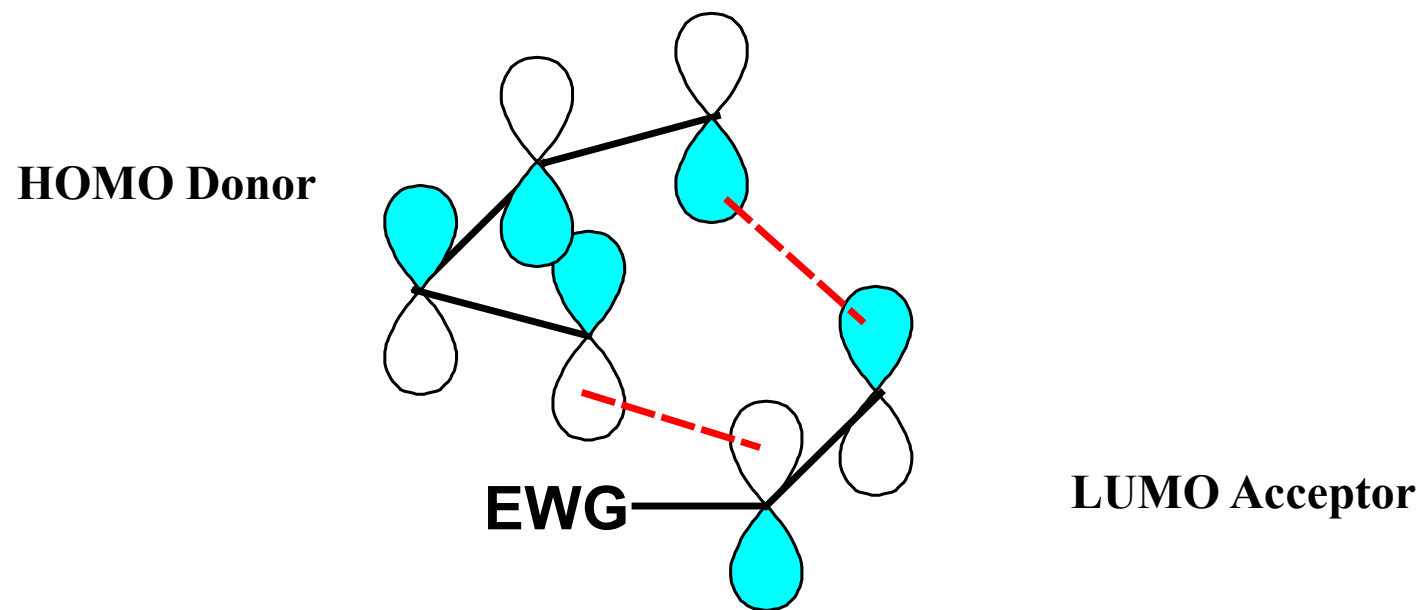
HOMO



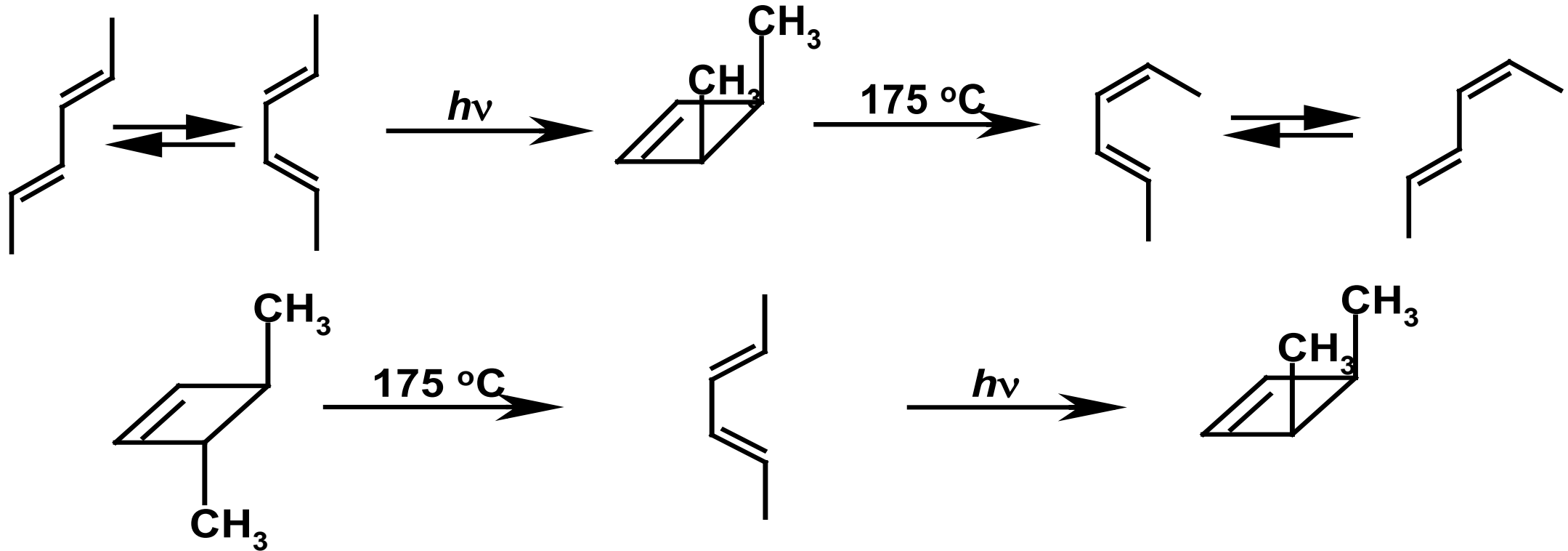
LUMO



# Frontier Orbital Control of Diels-Alder Reaction

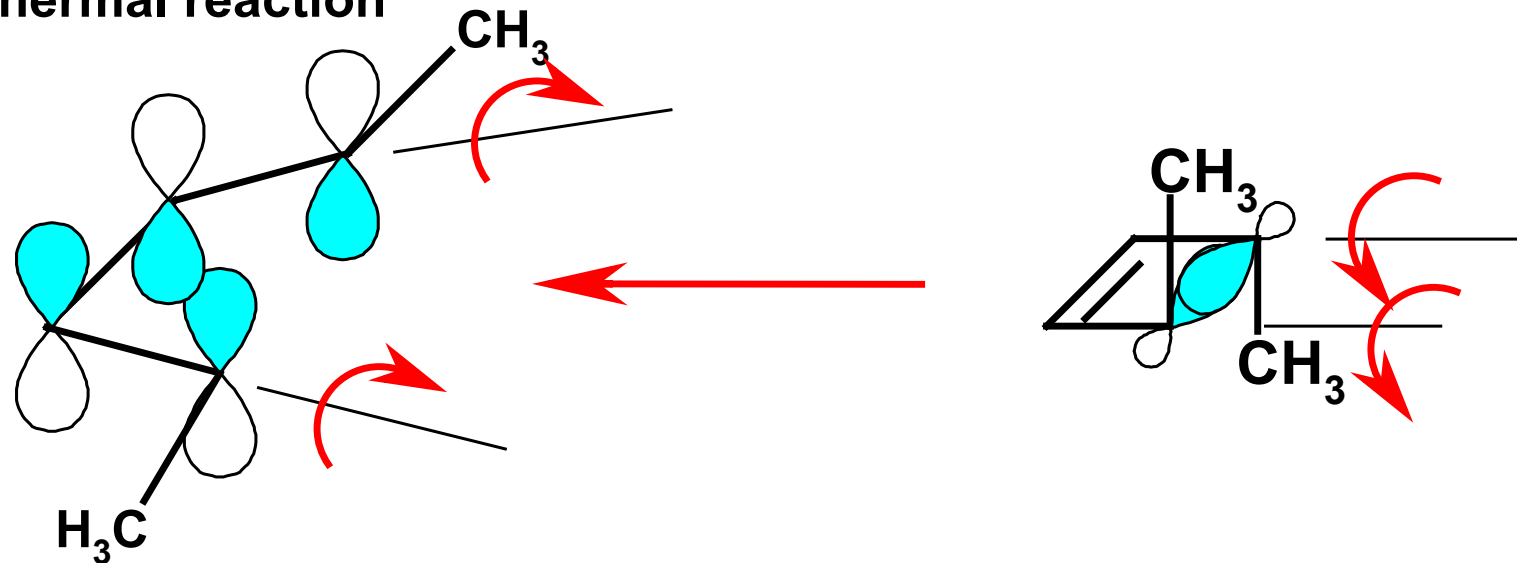


# Electrocyclic reactions are stereospecific



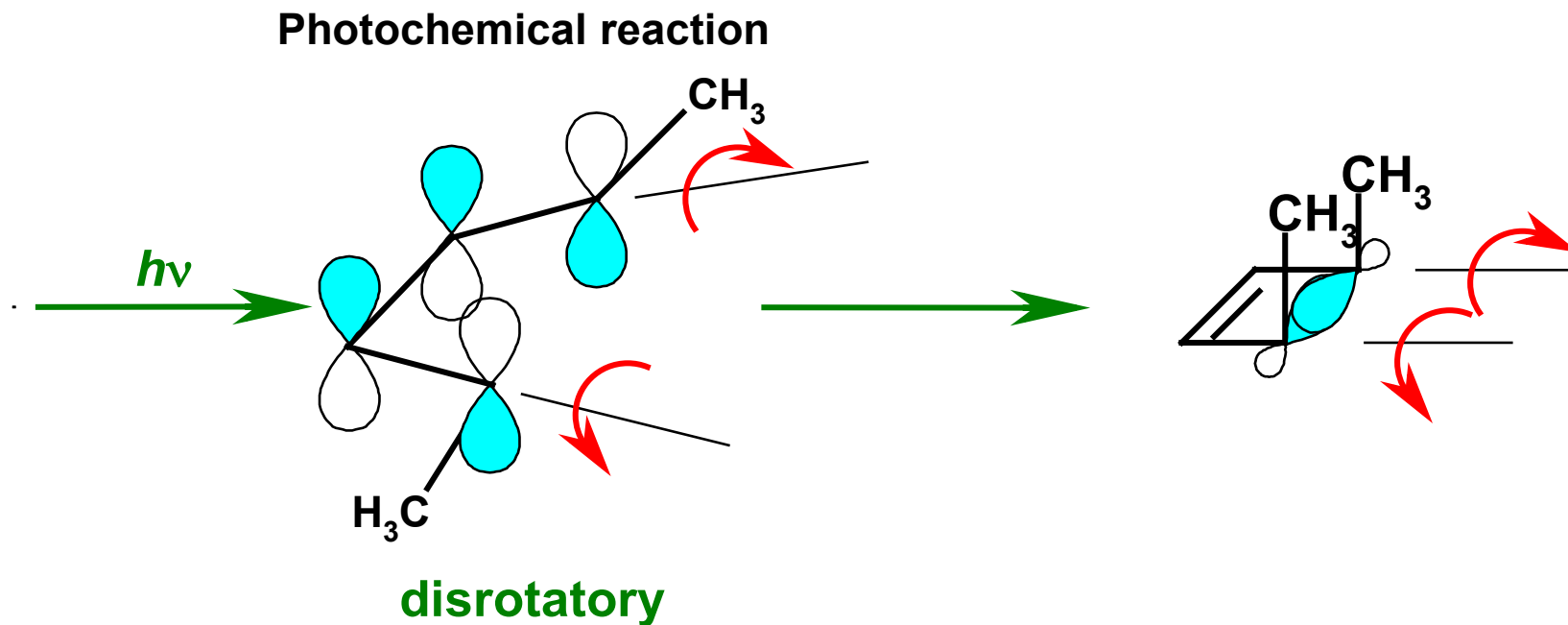


Thermal reaction



**conrotatory**

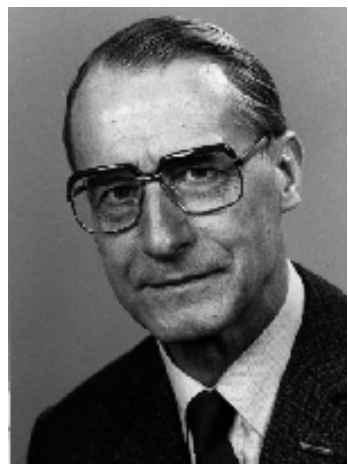
Rotation in the **same direction** leads to a bonding interaction (+ lobe on + lobe or - lobe on - lobe). The reaction passes through the same TS in both directions.



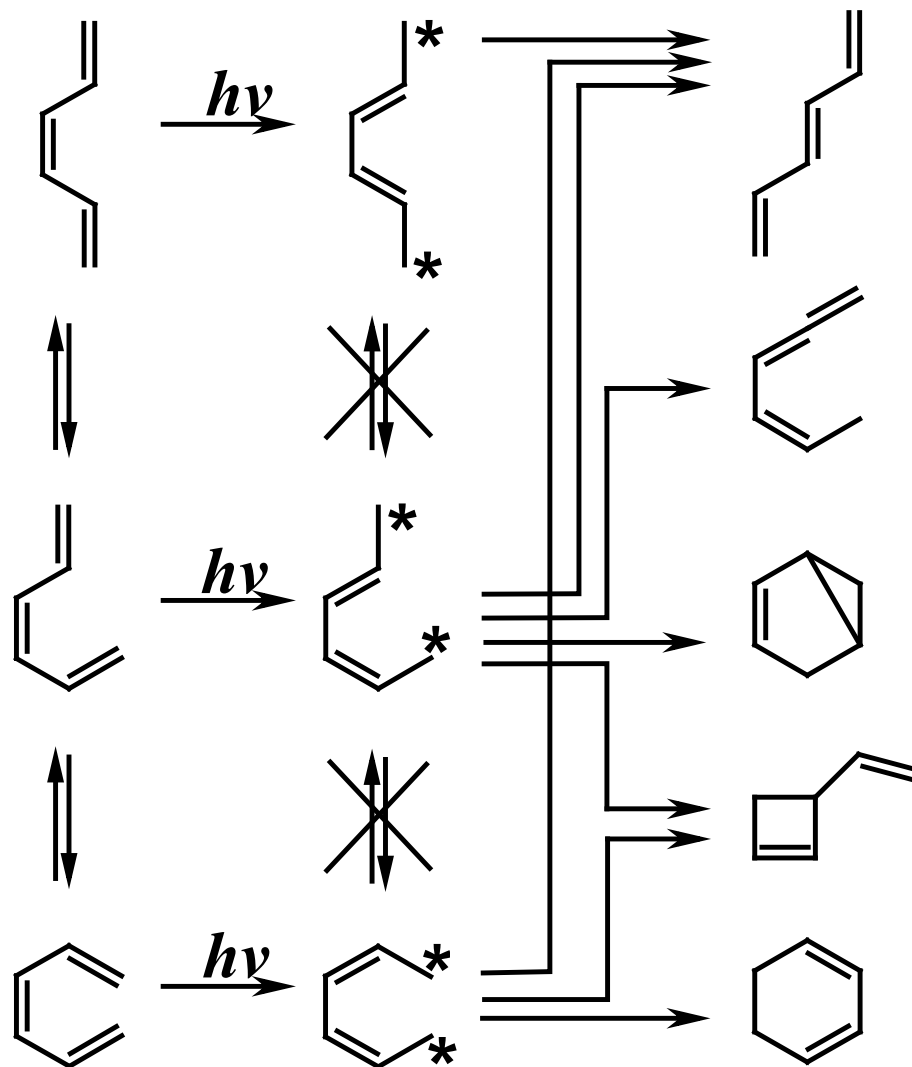
Rotation in **opposite directions** leads to a bonding interaction (+ lobe on + lobe or - lobe on - lobe).

The reaction passes through the same TS in both directions.

# NEER PRINCIPLE



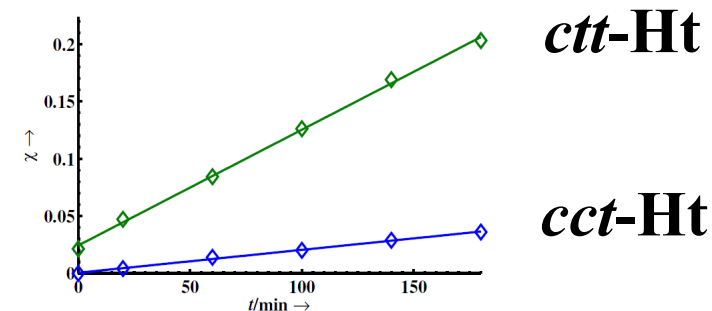
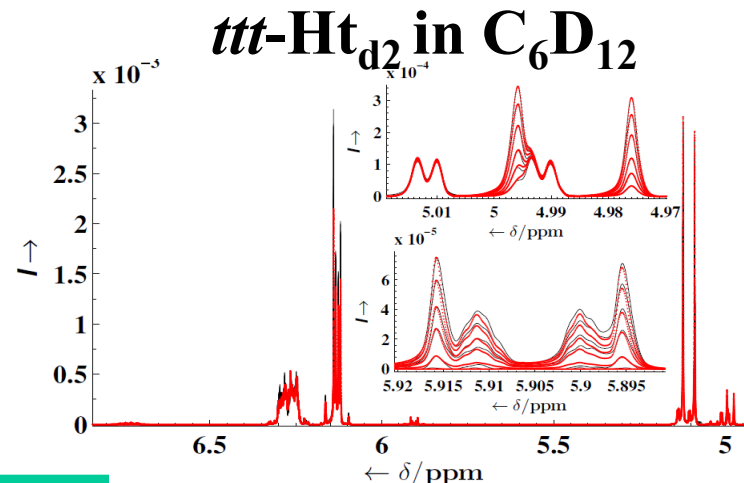
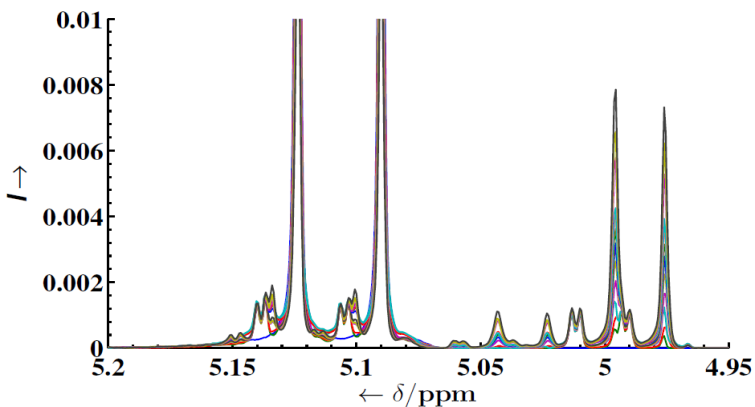
**Egbert Havinga**  
1909-1988



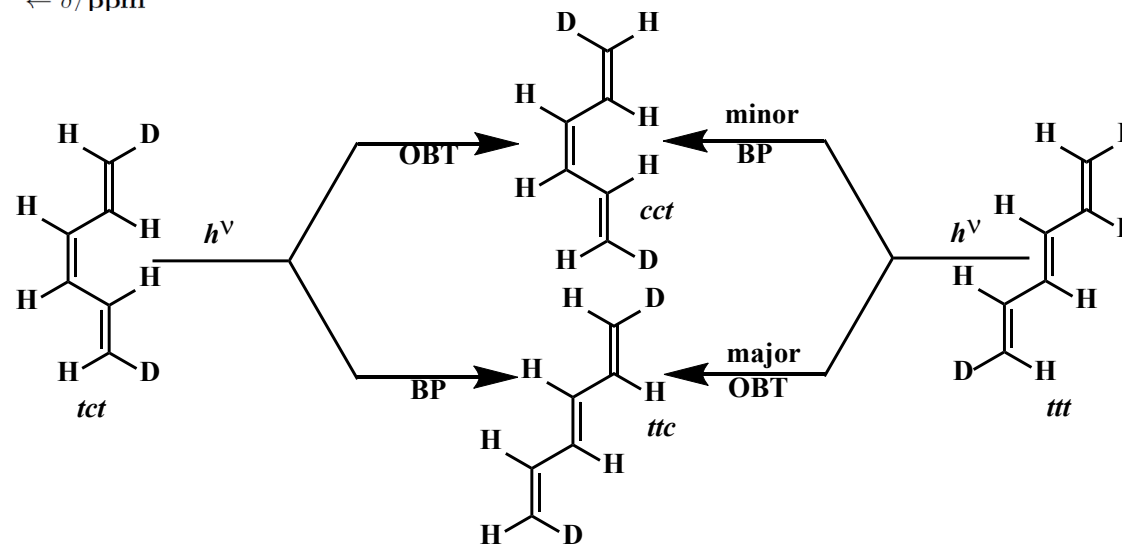
**Havinga, *Tetrahedron*, 1973**

$$\phi_{ct} = 0.03, \phi_{tc} = 0.016$$

# 1,6-Dideuteriohexatrienes



	$C_6D_{12}$		$CD_3CN$	
X	$\phi_{ttt \rightarrow X}$	$\phi_{tct \rightarrow X}$	$\phi_{ttt \rightarrow X}$	$\phi_{tct \rightarrow X}$
ctt	0.44	0.24 <sub>5</sub>	0.54	0.24
cct	0.08 <sub>5</sub>	0.34	0.09 <sub>3</sub>	0.39
tct			0.01 <sub>4</sub>	
ttt		0.05 <sub>8</sub>		0.11



Saltiel, J.; Redwood, C. E.; Laohasurayotin, K.; Samudrala, R. Photochemistry of the 1,6-Dideuterio-1,3,5-hexatrienes in Solution: *J. Phys. Chem. A* **2018**, *122*, 8477-8489.

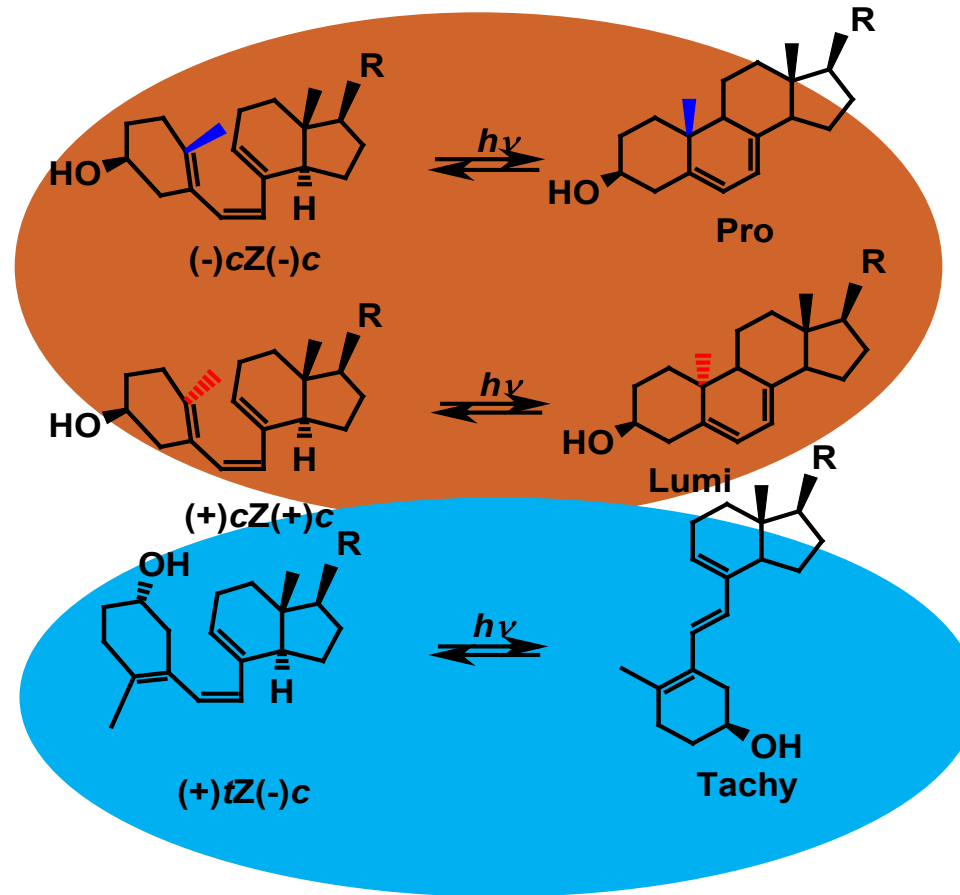


# Havinga's NEER Principle

Egbert Havinga  
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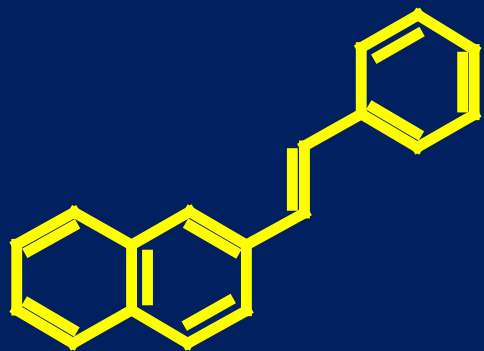
Photocyclization  
Long  $\lambda$

Photoisomerization  
Short  $\lambda$

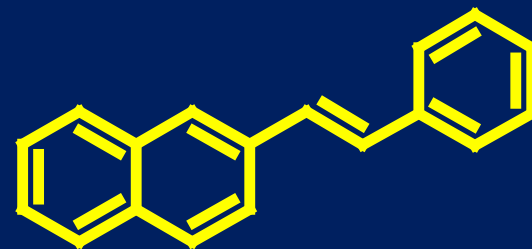




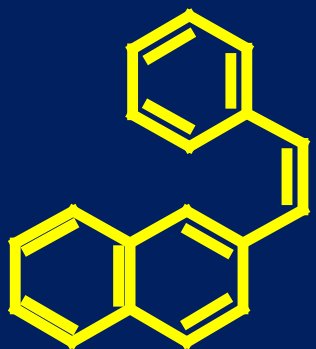
## NPE Conformers



***t*-NPE<sub>A</sub>**



***t*-NPE<sub>B</sub>**



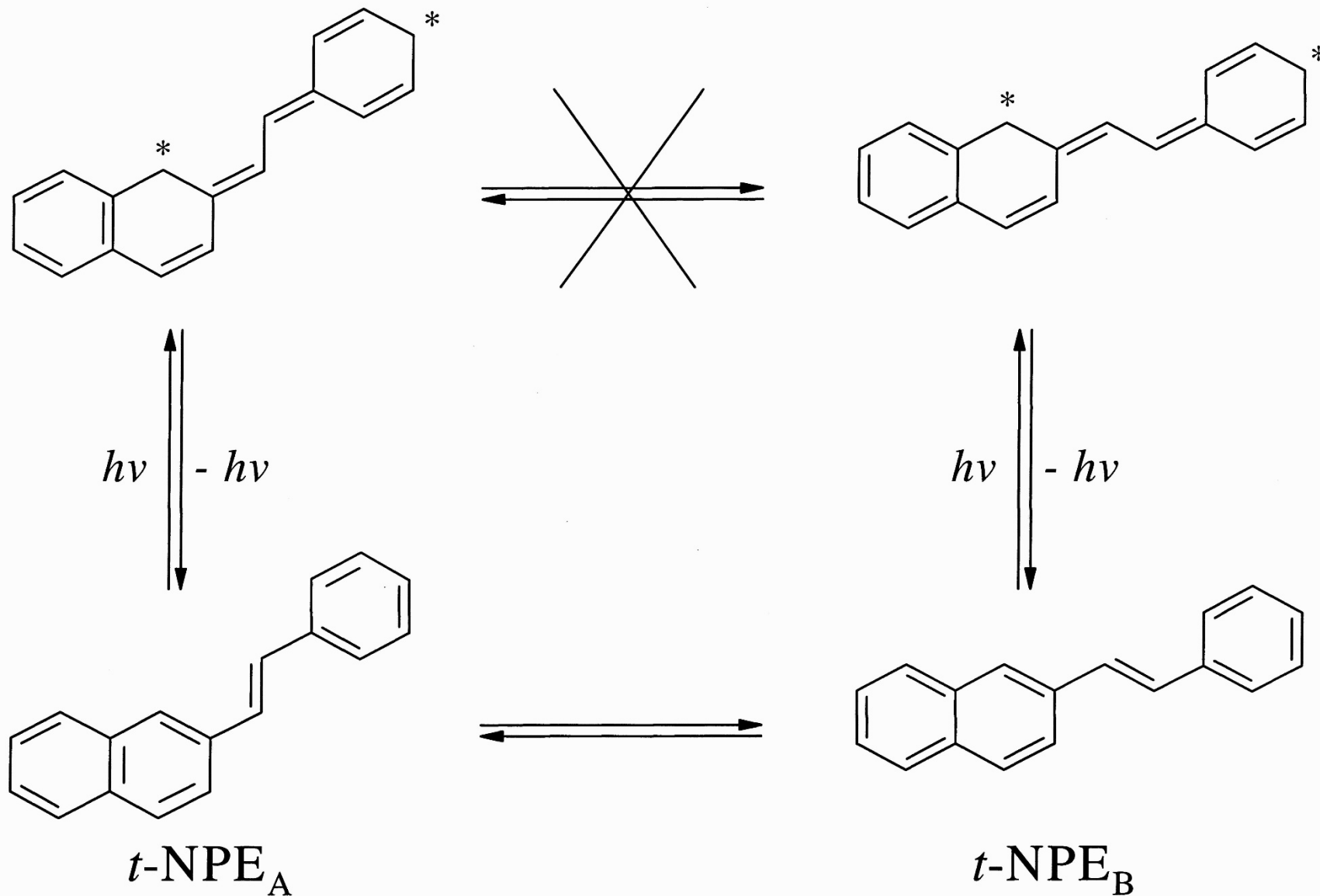
***c*-NPE<sub>A</sub>**



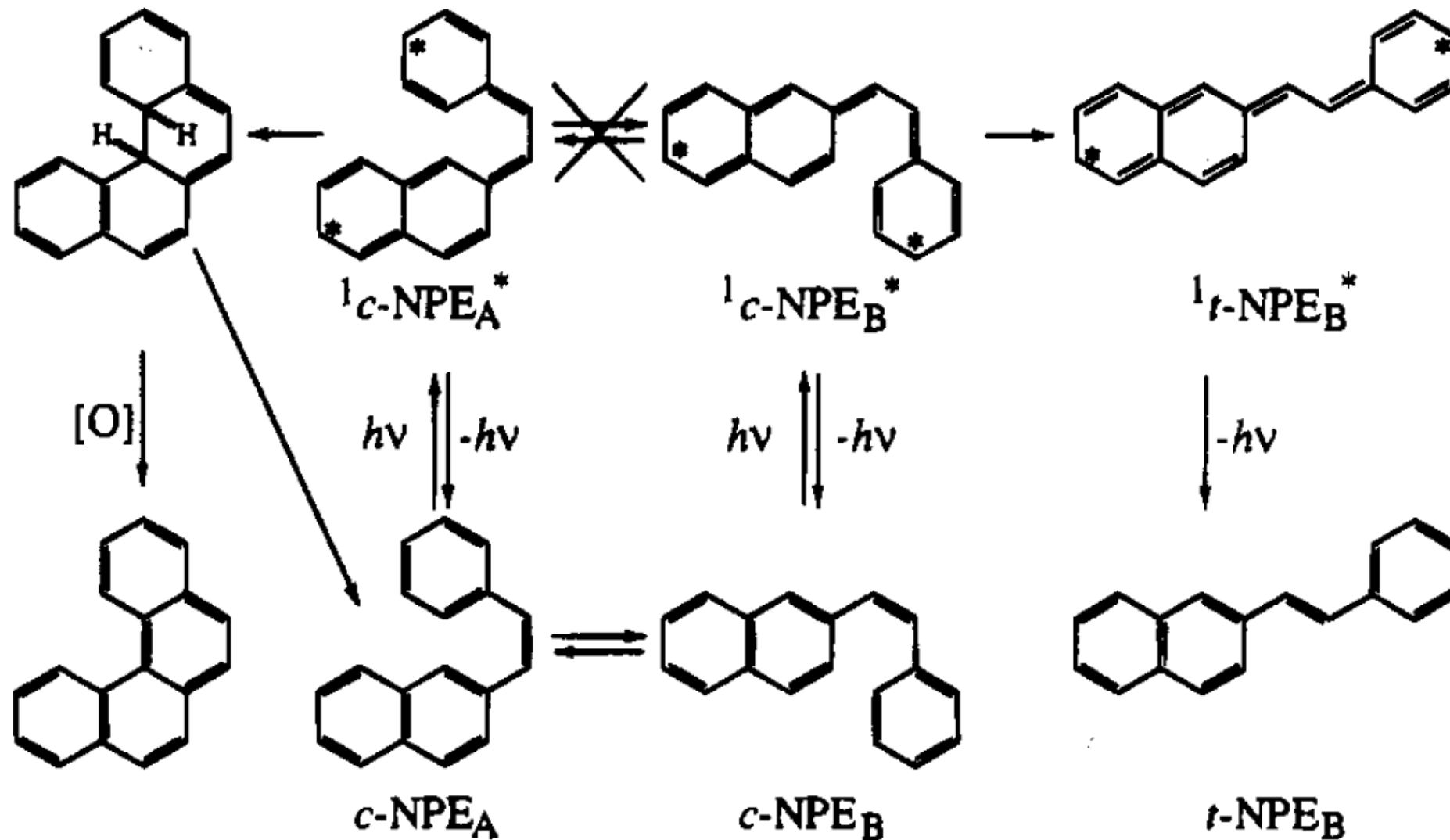
***c*-NPE<sub>B</sub>**

NPE  
conformers

# *trans*-1-(2-Naphthyl)-2-phenylethene and the NEER Principle



# Conformer specific photochemistry in *c*- and *t*-NPE

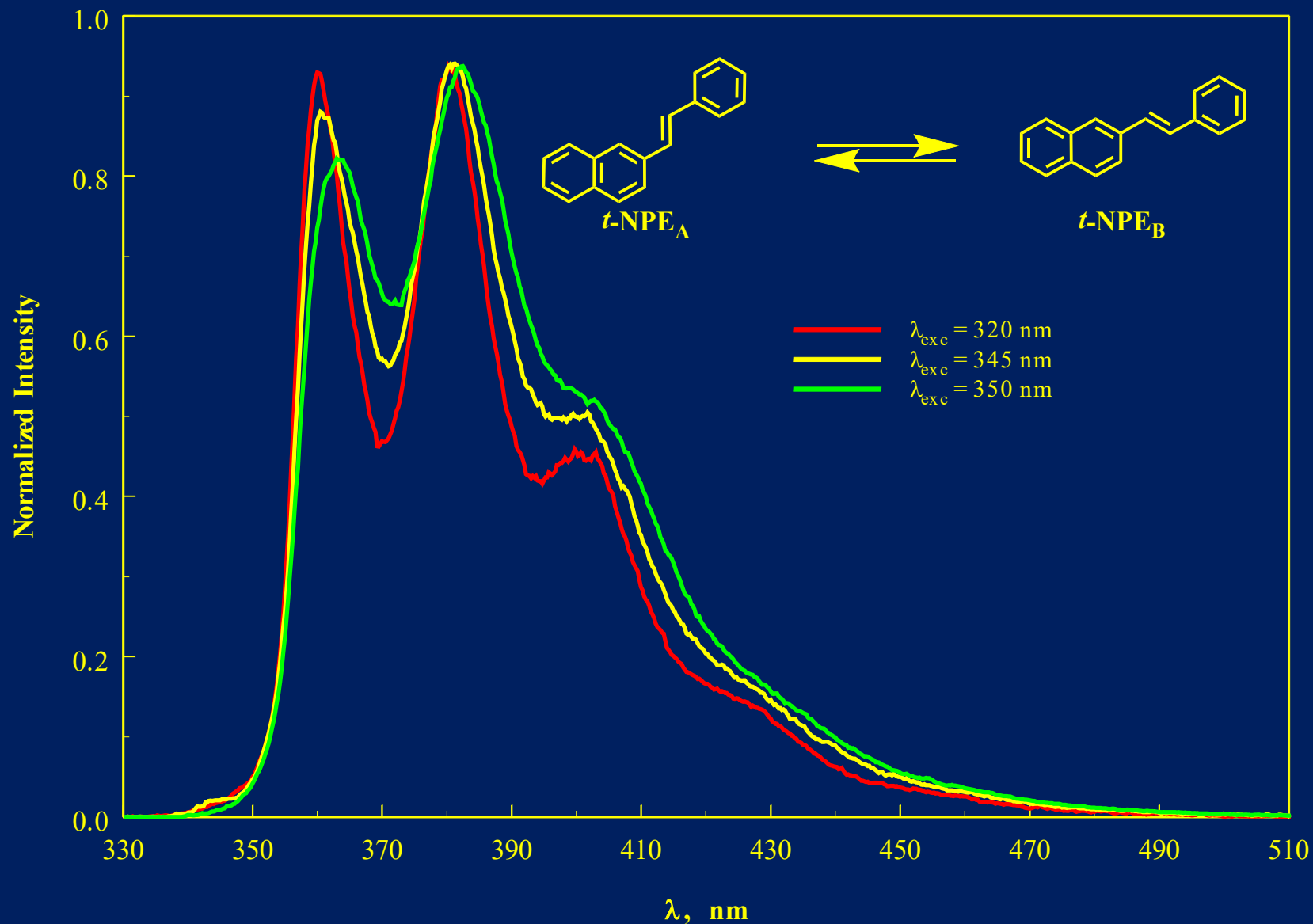






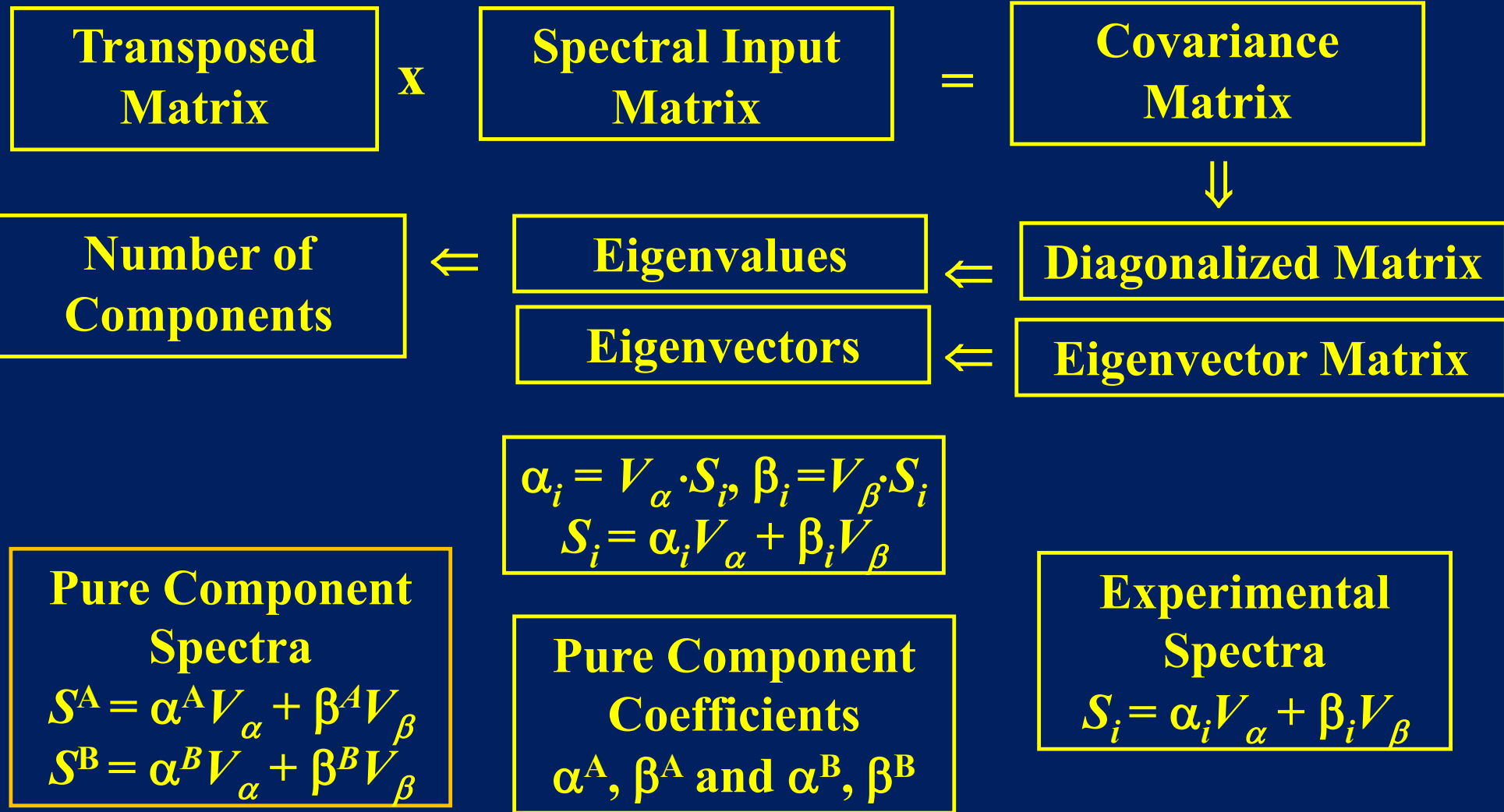
# Fluorescence Emission Spectra of *t*-NPE as a Function of $\lambda_{\text{exc}}$ in Ar Outgassed Benzene at 20 °C

*t*-NPE/Bz





# Summary of PCA-SM Mathematical Operations



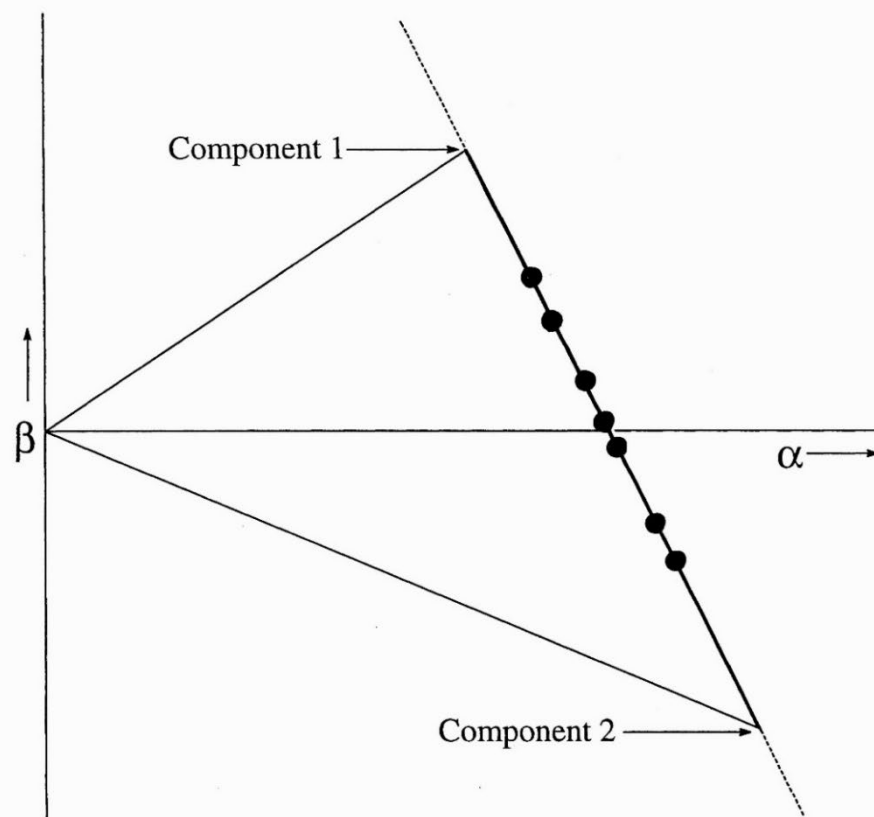


## TWO COMPONENTS

$$S_i = \alpha_i V_\alpha + \beta_i V_\beta$$

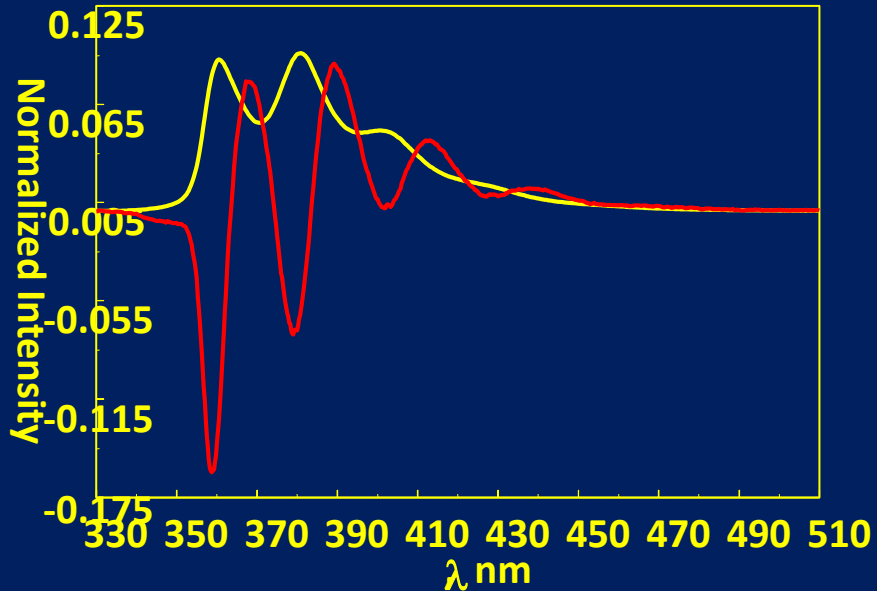
$$\alpha \Sigma V_{\alpha i} + \beta \Sigma V_{\beta k} = 1$$

$$\alpha V_{\alpha k} + \beta V_{\beta k} \geq 0$$

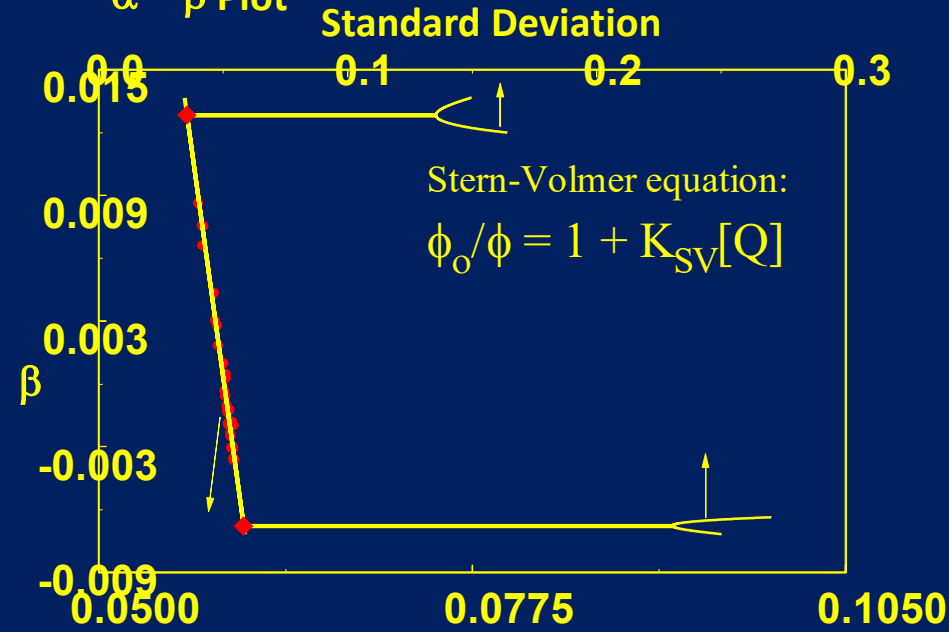




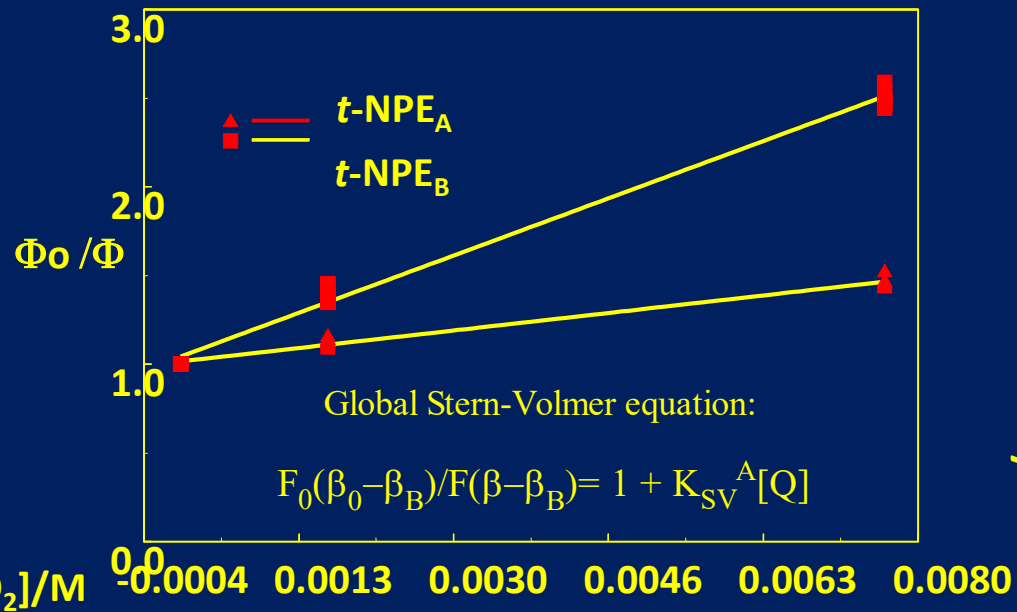
### Principal Eigenvectors



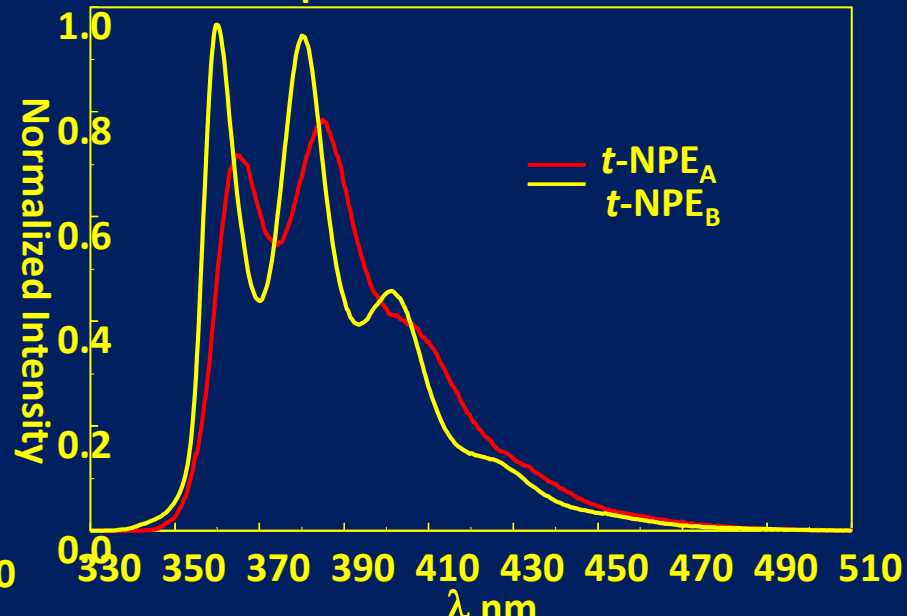
### $\alpha - \beta$ Plot



### Global Stern-Volmer Plots



### Conformer Spectra



*t*-NPE/PCA-SM

# Stern-Volmer Quenching

Equation	Rate
${}^1\text{A} + h\nu_{\text{exc}} \rightarrow {}^1\text{A}^*$	$I_a$
${}^1\text{A}^* \rightarrow {}^1\text{A} + h\nu_f$	$k_f[{}^1\text{A}^*]$
${}^1\text{A}^* \rightarrow {}^3\text{A}^*$	$k_{\text{is}}[{}^1\text{A}^*]$
${}^1\text{A}^* \rightarrow \text{P}$	$k_p[{}^1\text{A}^*]$
${}^1\text{A}^* + \text{Q} \rightarrow {}^1\text{A} + \text{Q}^*$	$k_q[\text{Q}][{}^1\text{A}^*]$



## The Stern-Volmer Plot

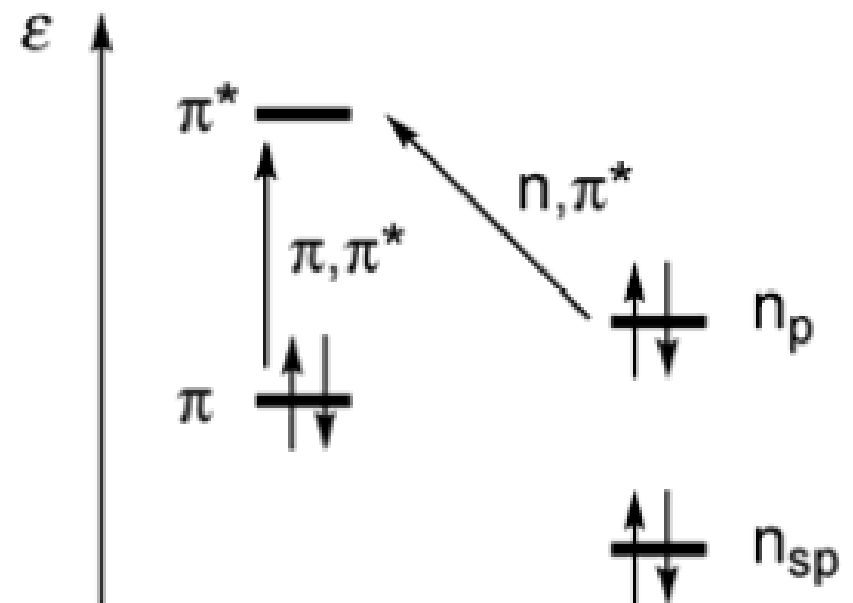
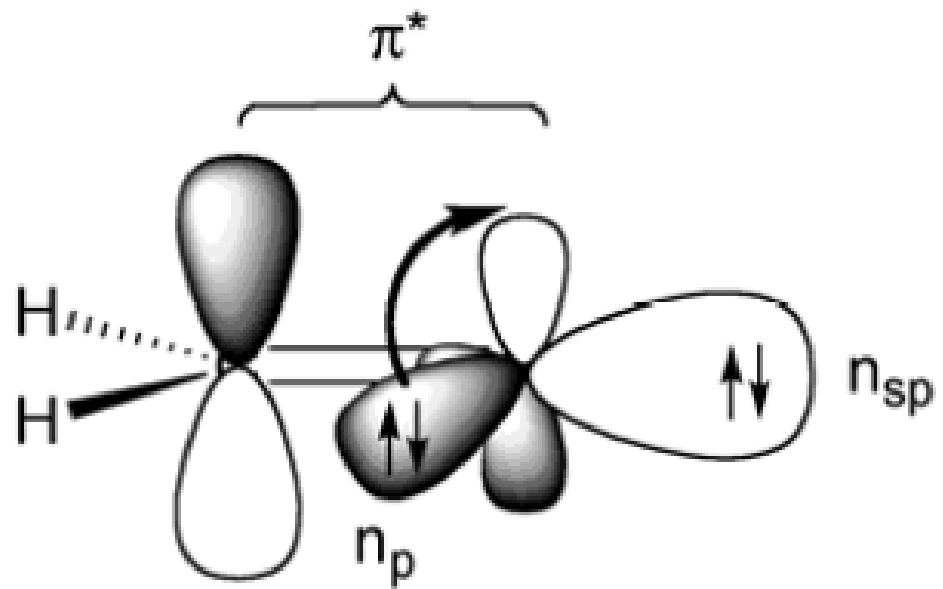
$$\frac{d[h\nu_f]}{dt} = k_f [^1A^*] \qquad \phi_f^o = \frac{1}{I_a} \frac{d[h\nu_f]}{dt} = \frac{k_f}{k_f + k_{is} + k_p} = k_f \tau$$

$$\frac{d[^1A^*]}{dt} = I_a - (k_f + k_{is} + k_p)[^1A^*] = 0 \qquad \text{where } I_a \text{ is the rate of light absorption}$$

$$[^1A^*] = \frac{I_a}{k_f + k_{is} + k_p} \qquad \phi_f = \frac{k_f}{k_f + k_{is} + k_p + k_q[Q]} = \frac{k_f \tau}{1 + k_q \tau [Q]}$$

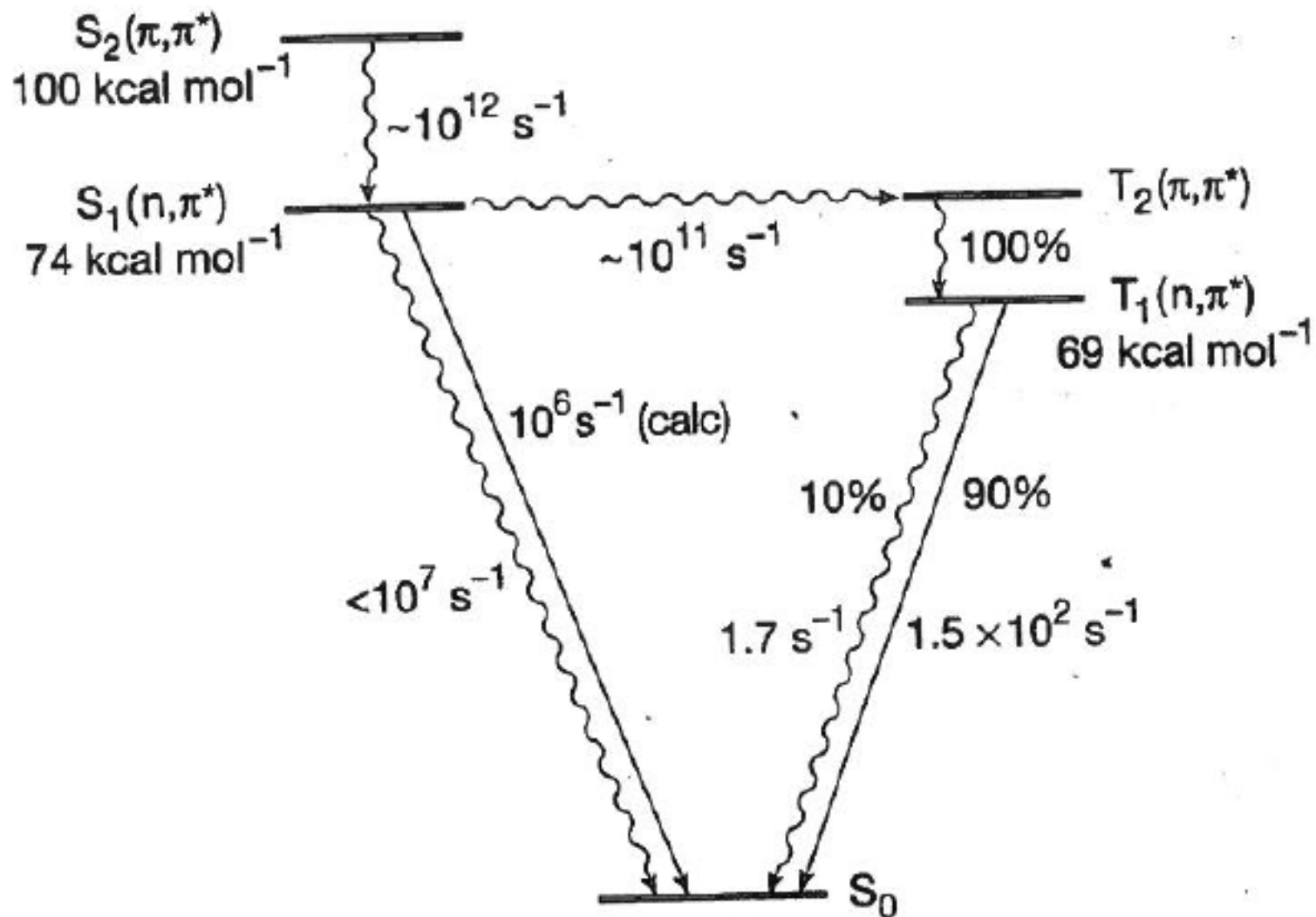
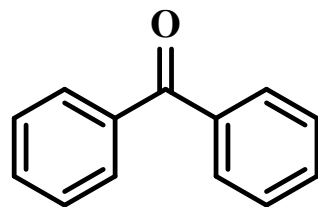
$$\frac{d[h\nu_f]}{dt} = \frac{k_f I_a}{k_f + k_{is} + k_p}$$

$$\left( \phi_f^o / \phi_f \right) = 1 + k_q \tau [Q] = 1 + K_{SV} [Q]$$



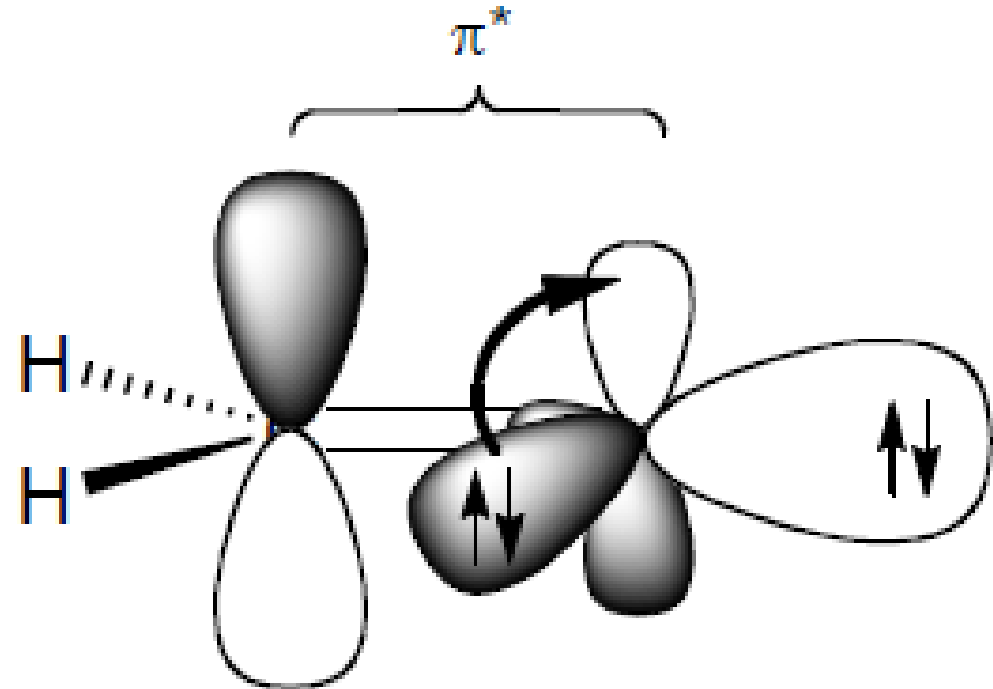
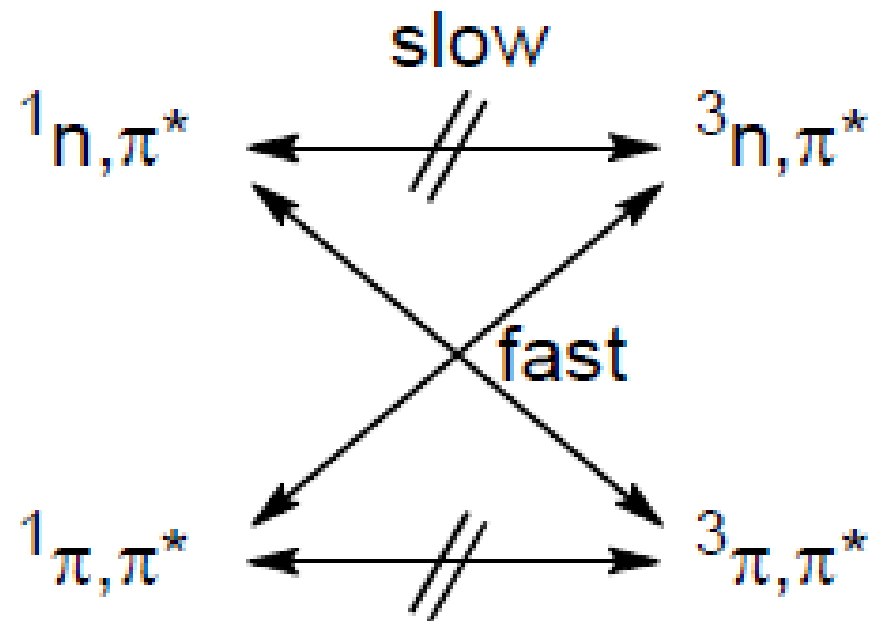
The  $n, \pi^*$ -transition of formaldehyde.

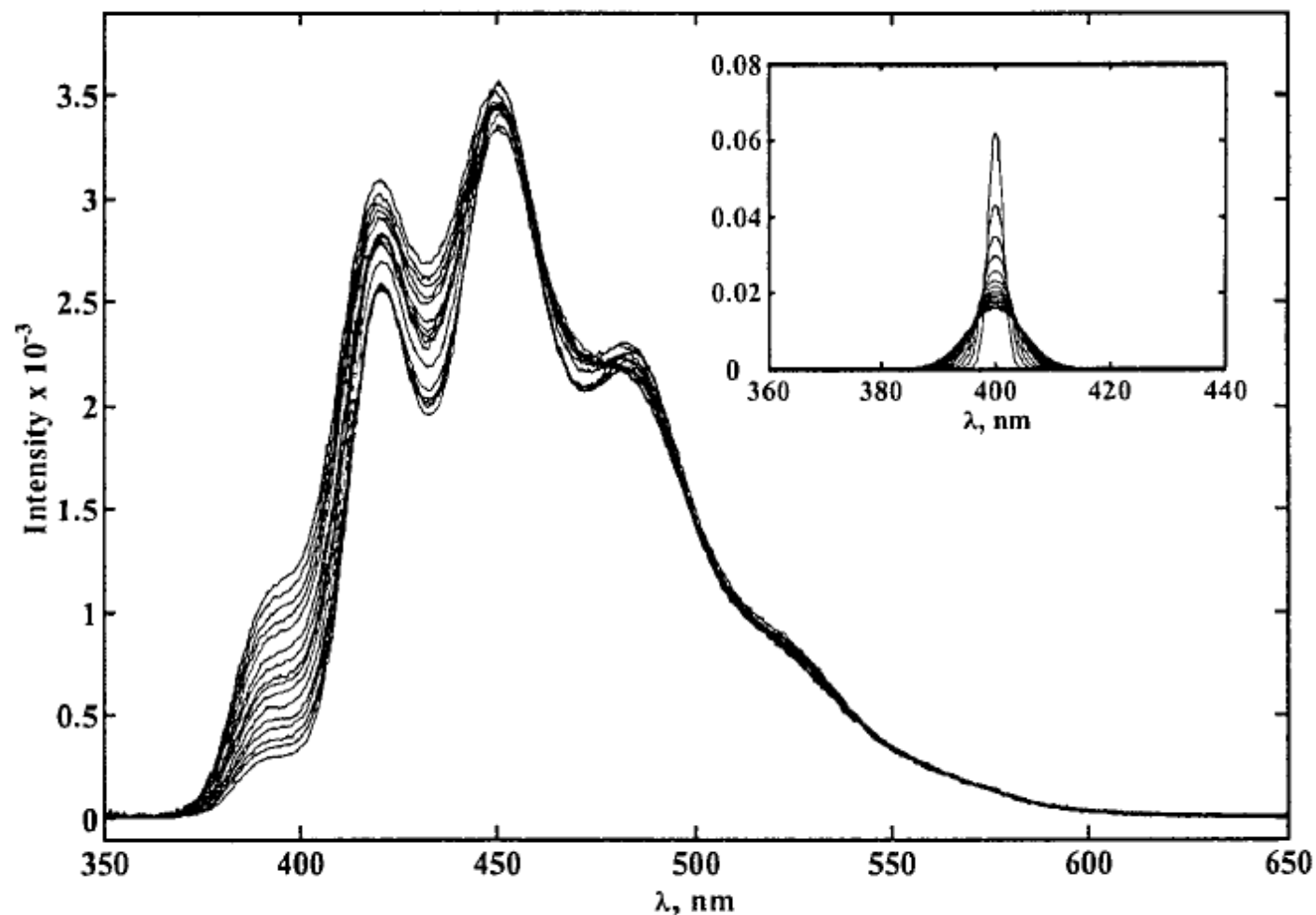
# Benzophenone State Diagram



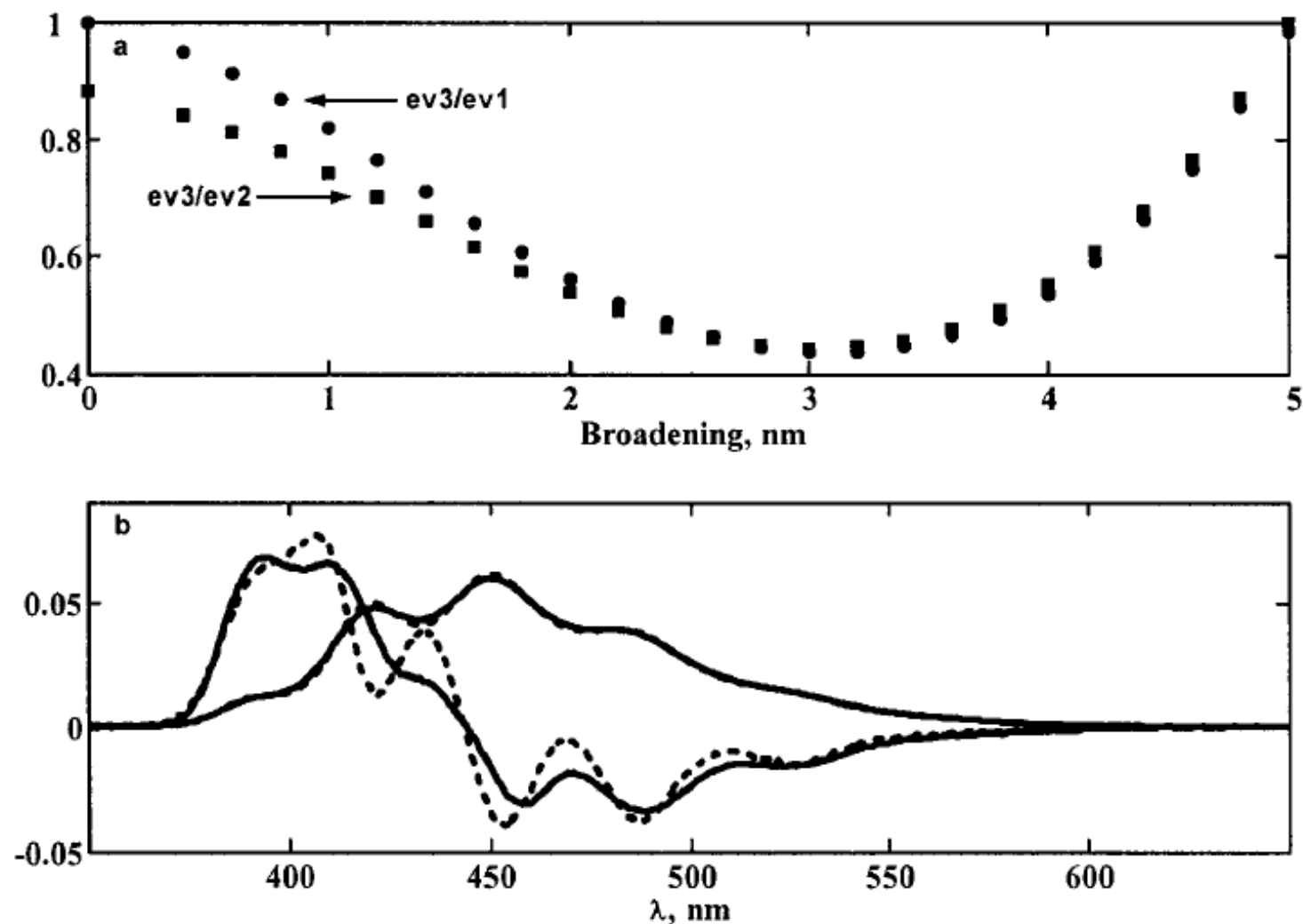


# El-Sayed's Rules for Intersystem Crossing

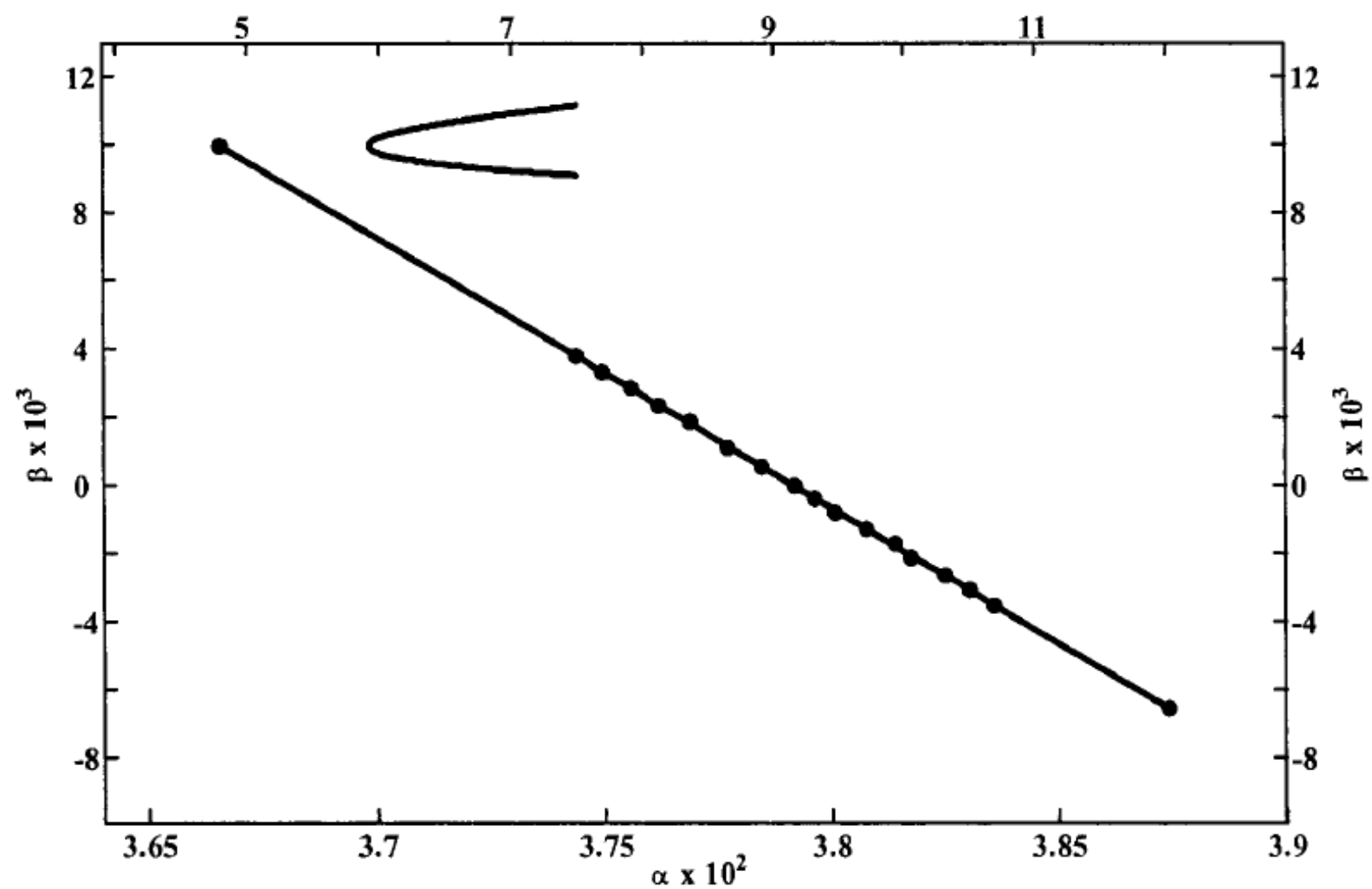




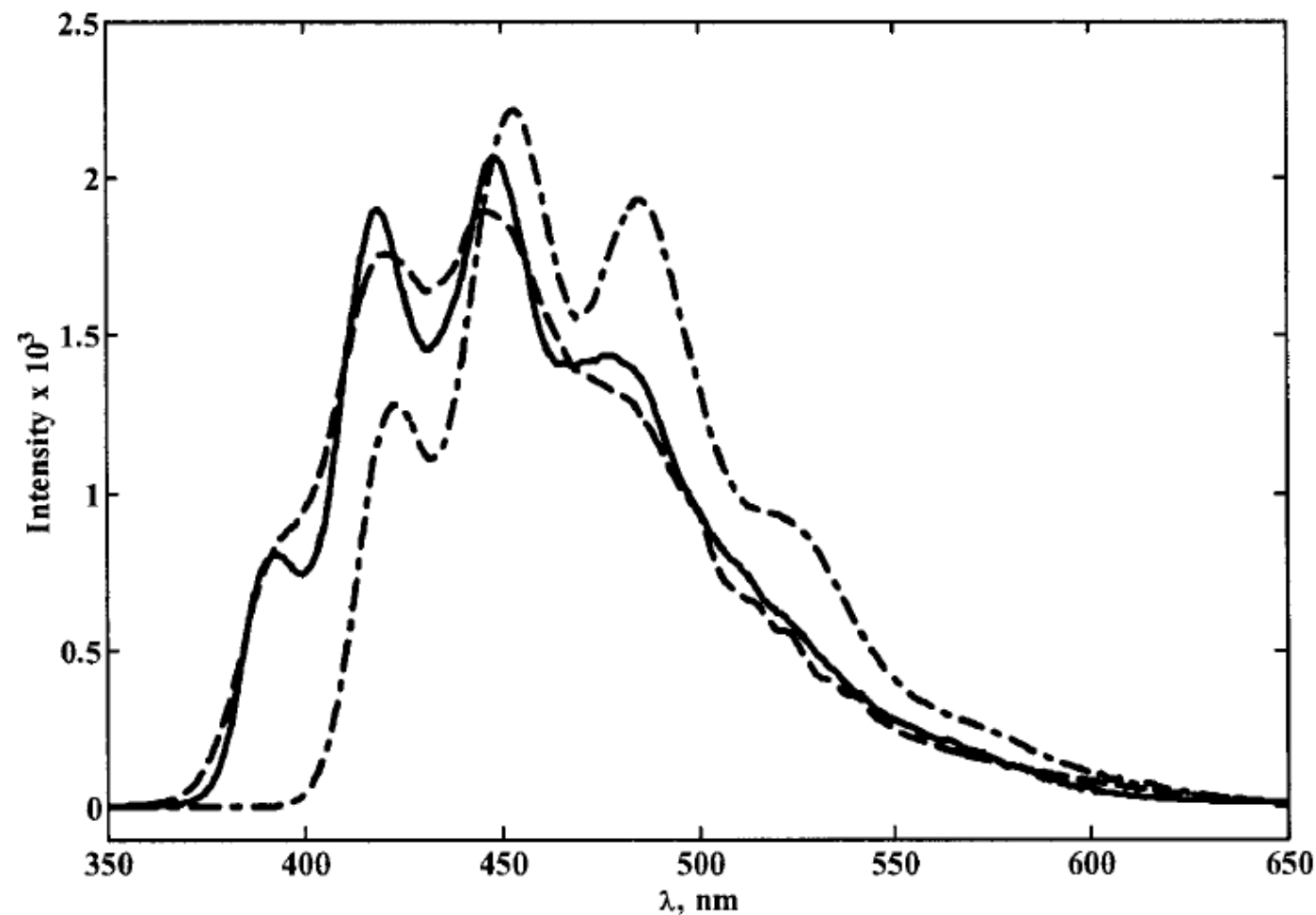
**Figure 1.** Benzophenone luminescence spectra (self-absorption-corrected, instrumental-response-uncorrected) at different temperatures (Table 1) from the degassed CCl<sub>4</sub> solution. The inset shows the set of Gaussian functions used to compensate the spectra for thermal broadening.



**Figure 3.** (a) Ratios of the third to the first eigenvalue (circles) and the third to the second eigenvalue (squares) as a function of the compensating broadening parameter  $k$ . (b) First and second eigenvectors before the compensation for thermal broadening (dashed lines) and after the compensation (solid lines).



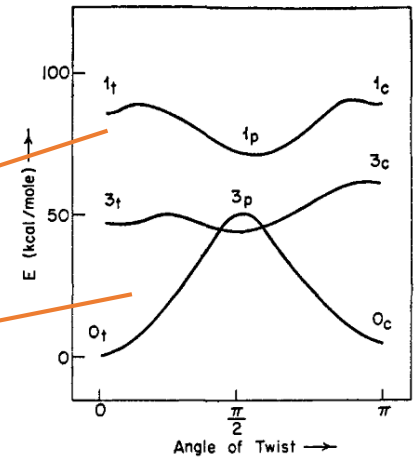
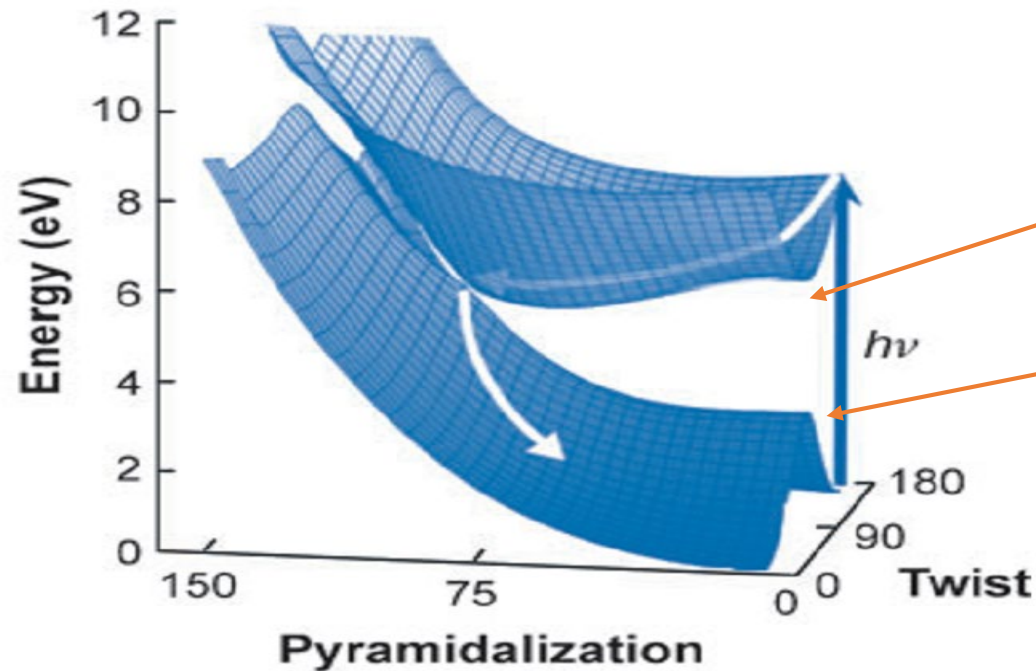
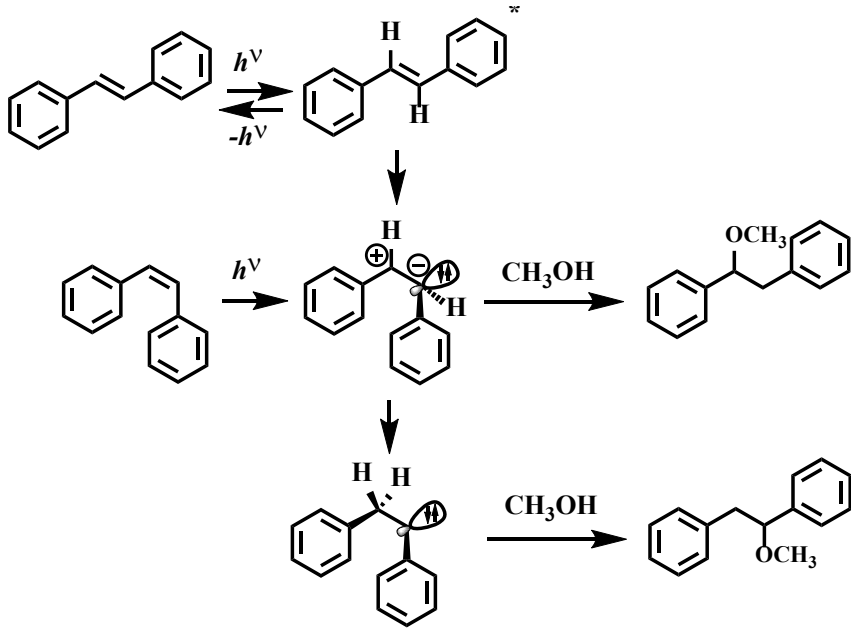
**Figure 5.**  $\alpha, \beta$  normalization line for the benzophenone luminescence system. The standard deviation for the van't Hoff plot as a function of  $\beta$  is also shown. The minimum determines the  $\beta_{DF}$  value corresponding to the spectrum of the pure delayed benzophenone fluorescence.



**Figure 9.** Emission spectra of benzophenone in  $\text{CCl}_4$  corrected for nonlinearity in instrumental response and normalized to unit area: phosphorescence (dashed–dotted line), delayed fluorescence (solid line), and prompt fluorescence (dashed line). The first two spectra are obtained by extrapolation of the  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  coefficients of the pure component spectra to  $23.5\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , and the prompt fluorescence is an average of 40 spectra measured at room temperature (ca.  $22.0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ) for  $\lambda_{\text{exc}} = 326\text{ nm}$ .

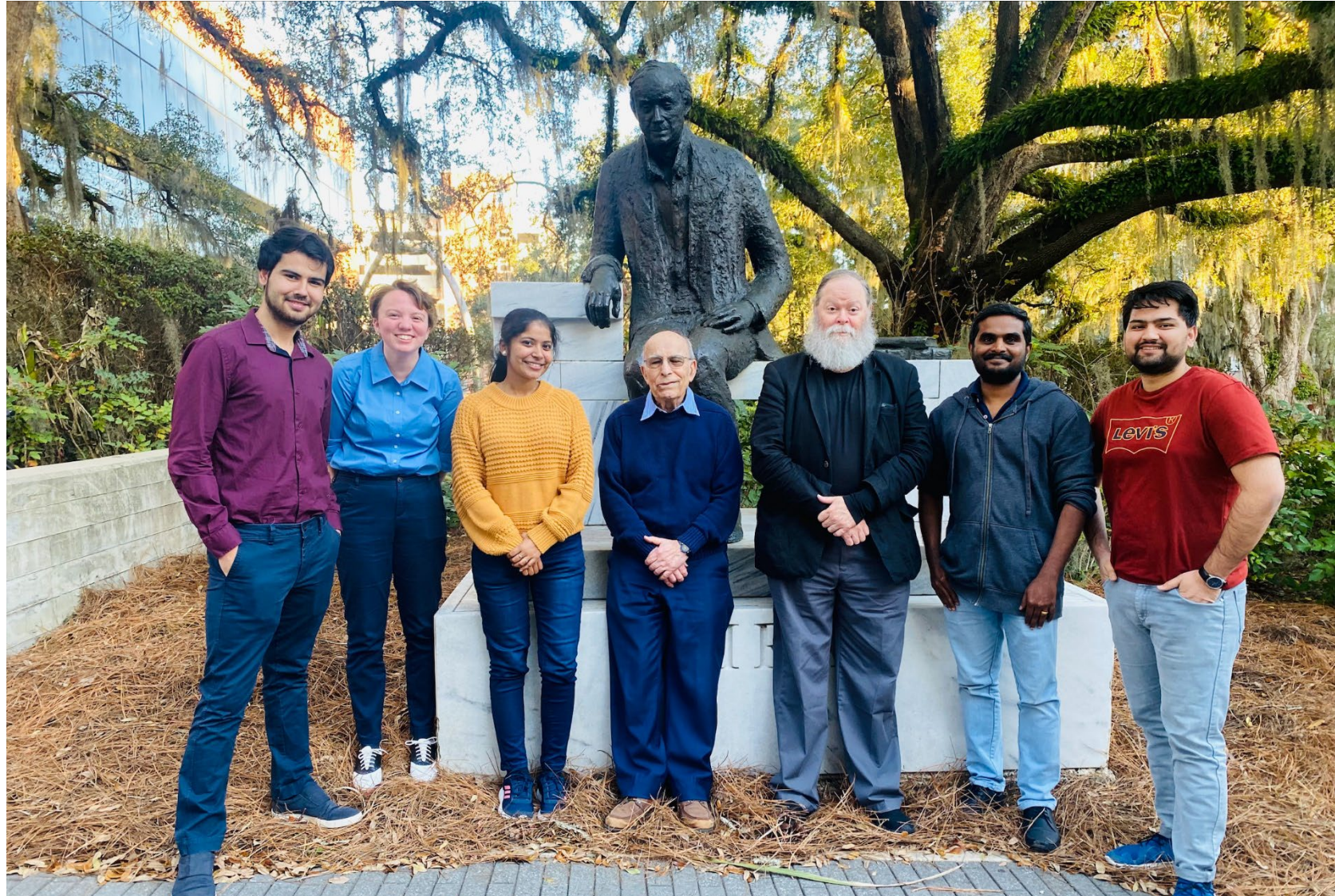
# Multidimensional Isomerization – Conical Intersections – Trapping Twisted Intermediates

$$\vec{h}_{S_0S_1} = (E_1 - E_0)^{-1} \left\langle \psi_{S_0}^{el} \left| \frac{\partial \hat{H}}{\partial R} \right| \psi_{S_1}^{el} \right\rangle$$



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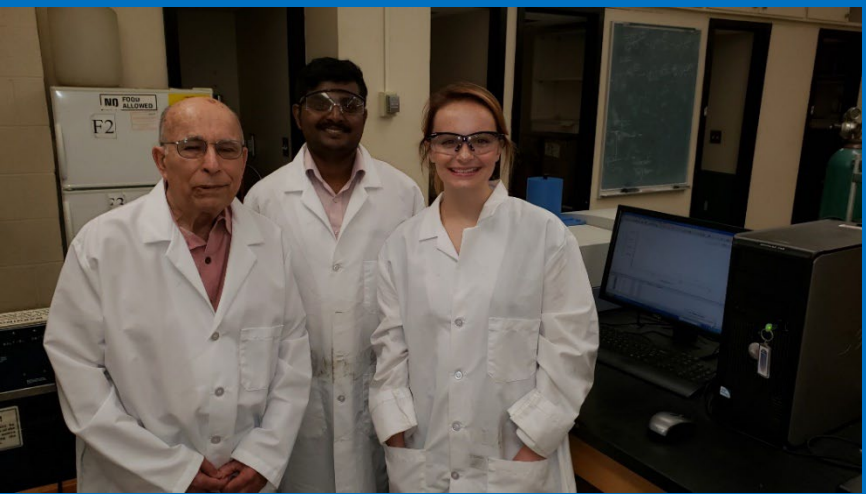




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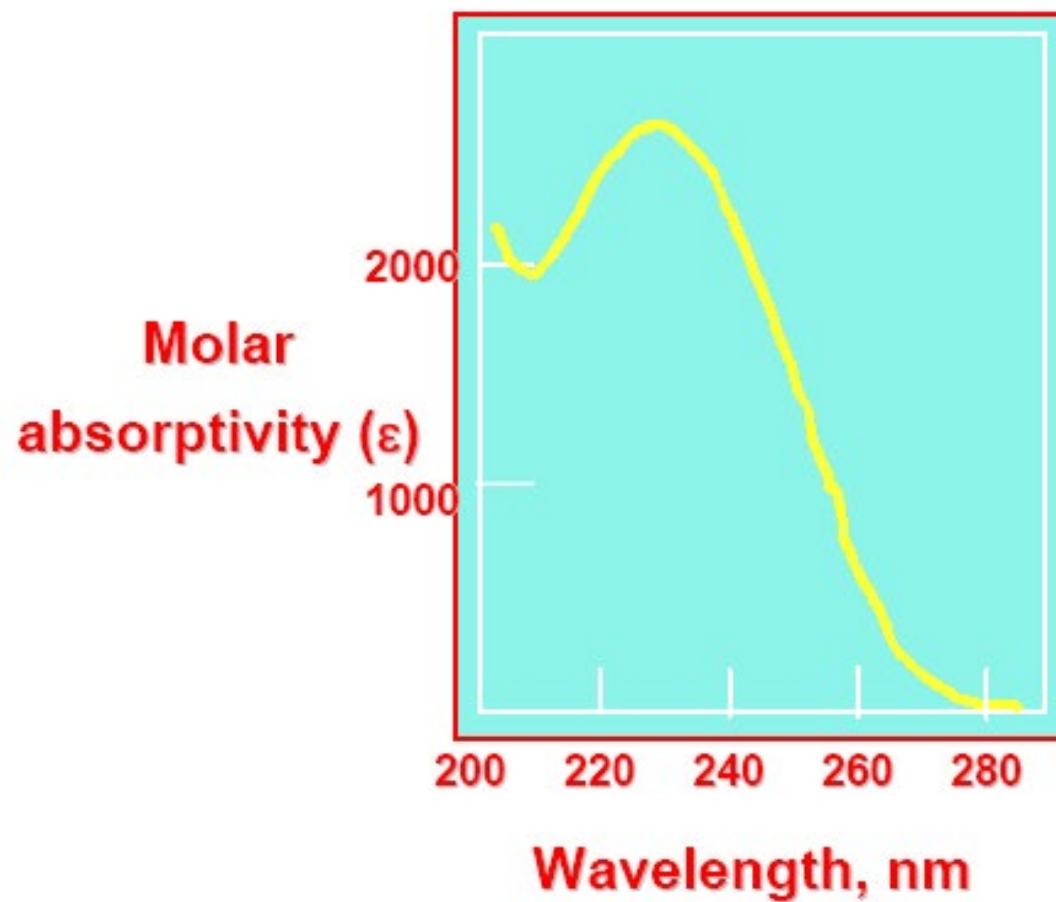


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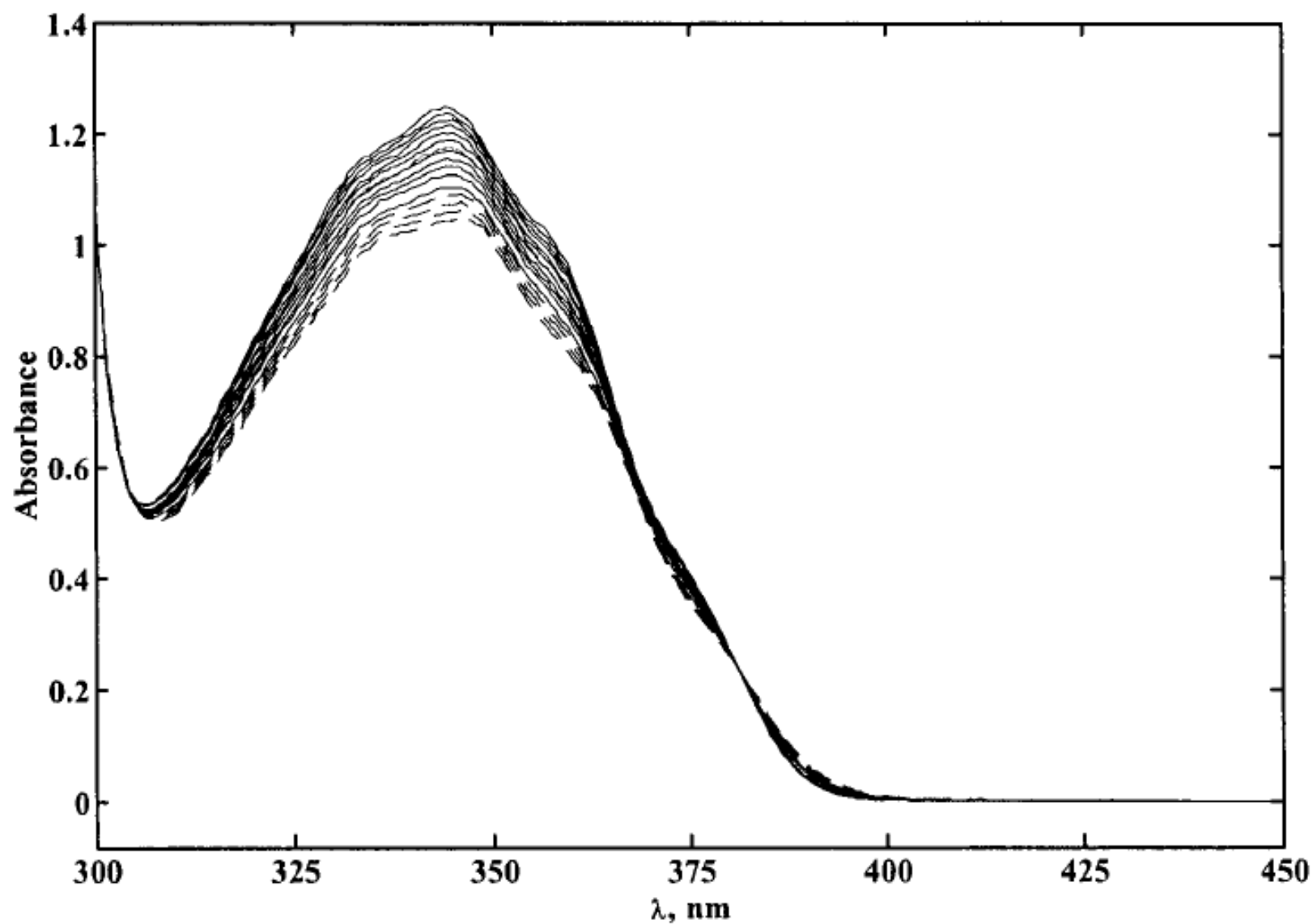


## UV Spectrum of *cis,trans*-1,3-cyclooctadiene



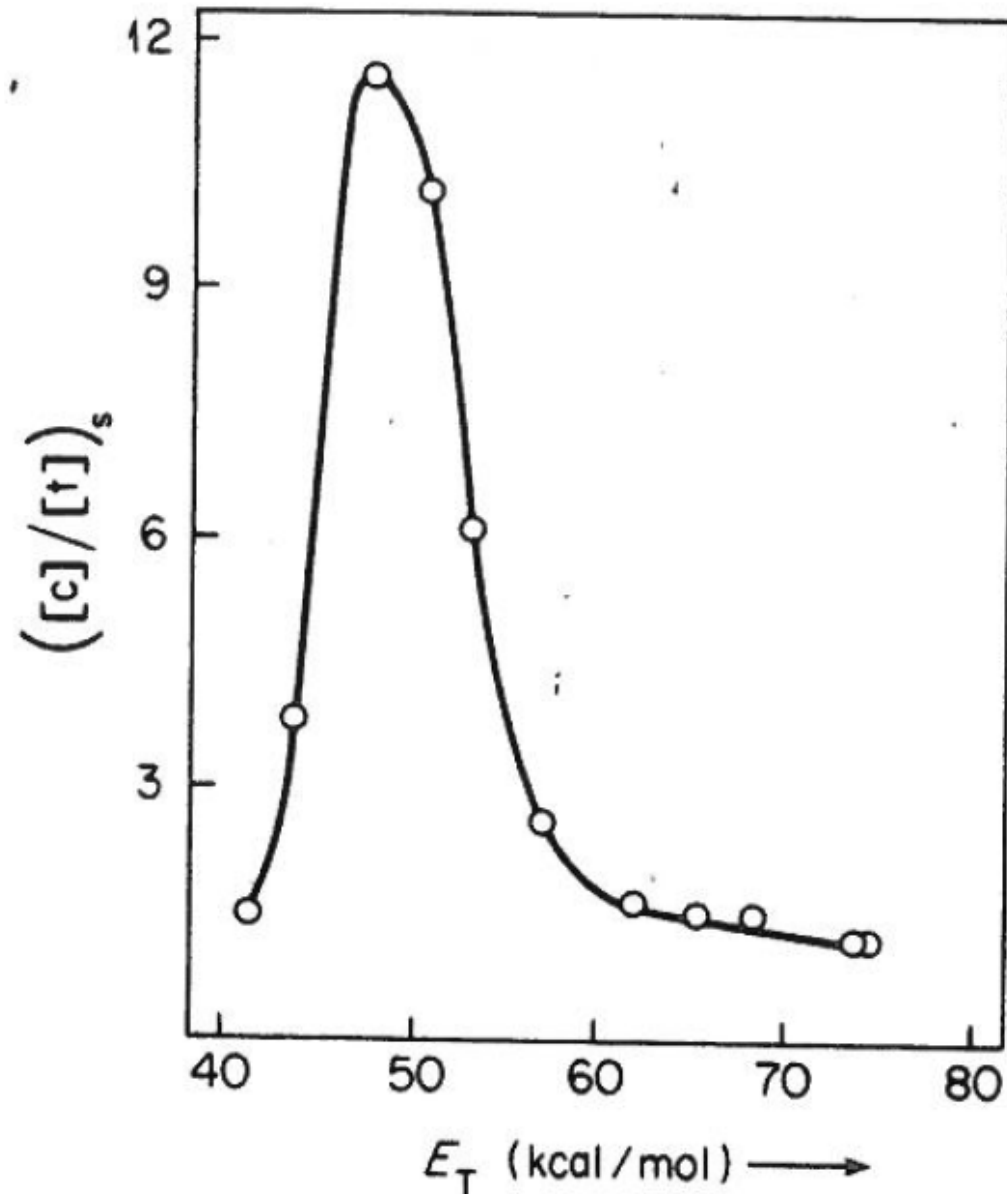
$\lambda_{\text{max}}$  230 nm

$\epsilon_{\text{max}}$  2630



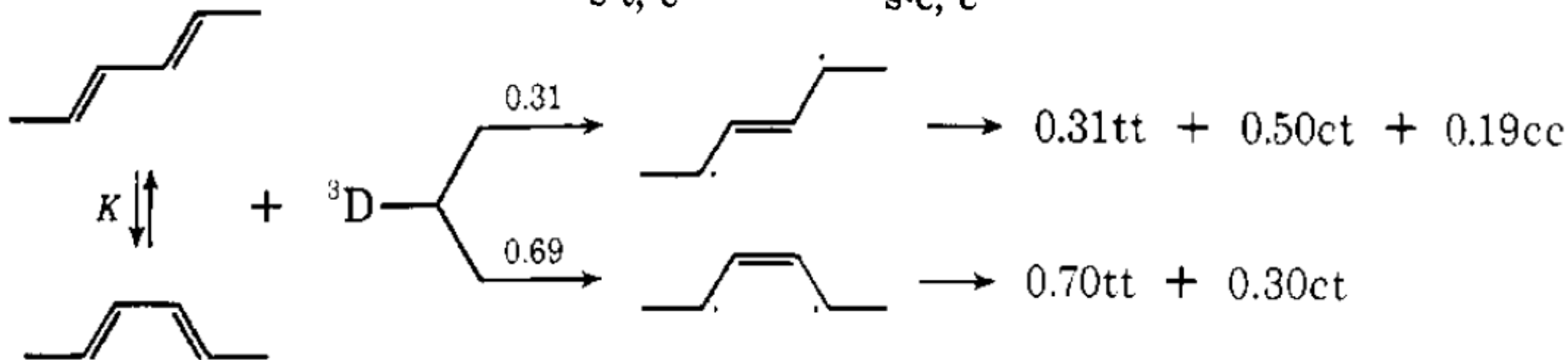
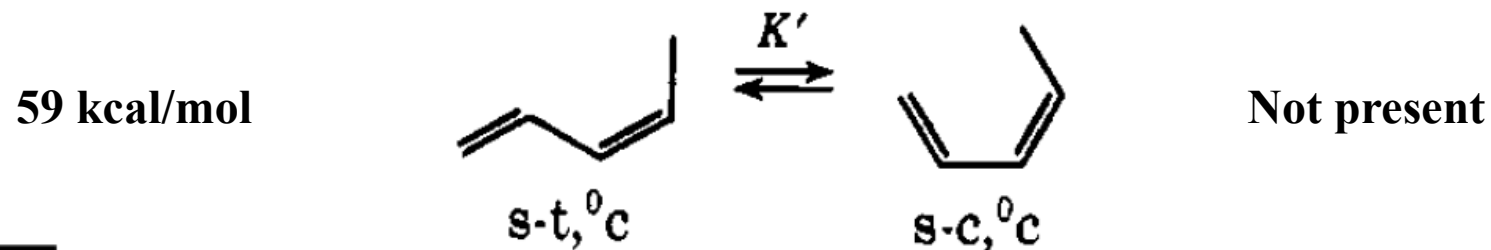
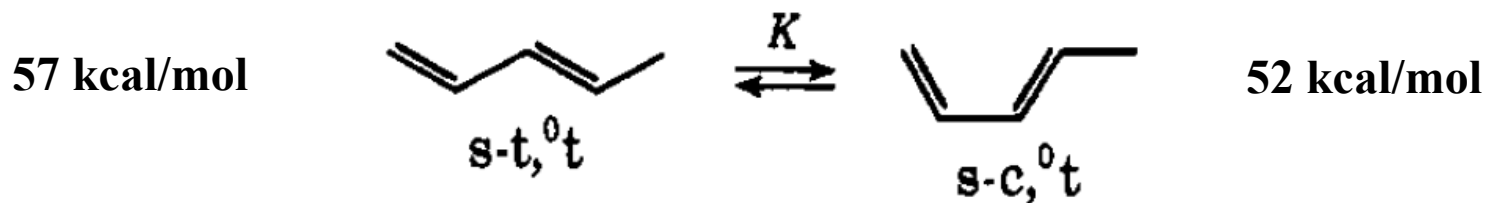
**Figure 2.** Temperature dependence of the  $n, \pi^*$  absorption spectrum of a 0.0093 M benzophenone solution in  $\text{CCl}_4$ : experimental spectra (14.7–68.1 °C), solid lines; extrapolated spectra (73.5–88.5 °C), dashed lines (see the Supporting Information).

# The Saitel Plot for Stilbene Triplet Photoisomerization



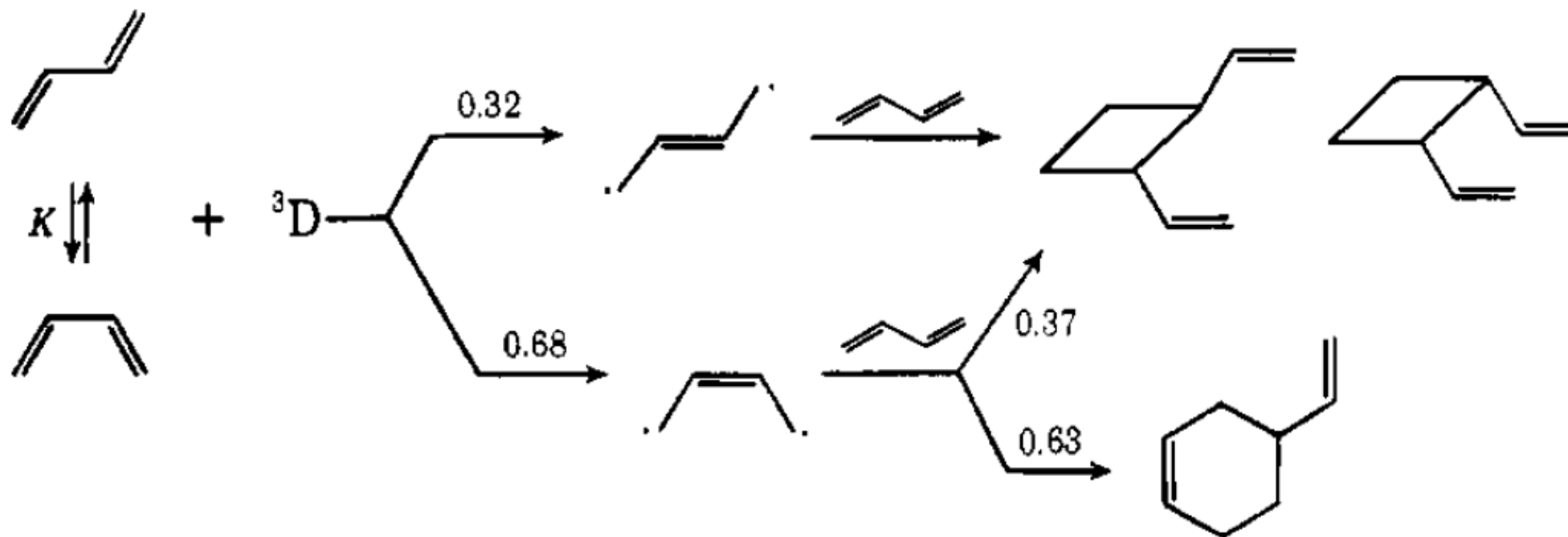
# 1,3-Diene Triplets: Conformer Specific Photoisomerization and Photodimerization

## Fluorenone sensitized photoisomerization

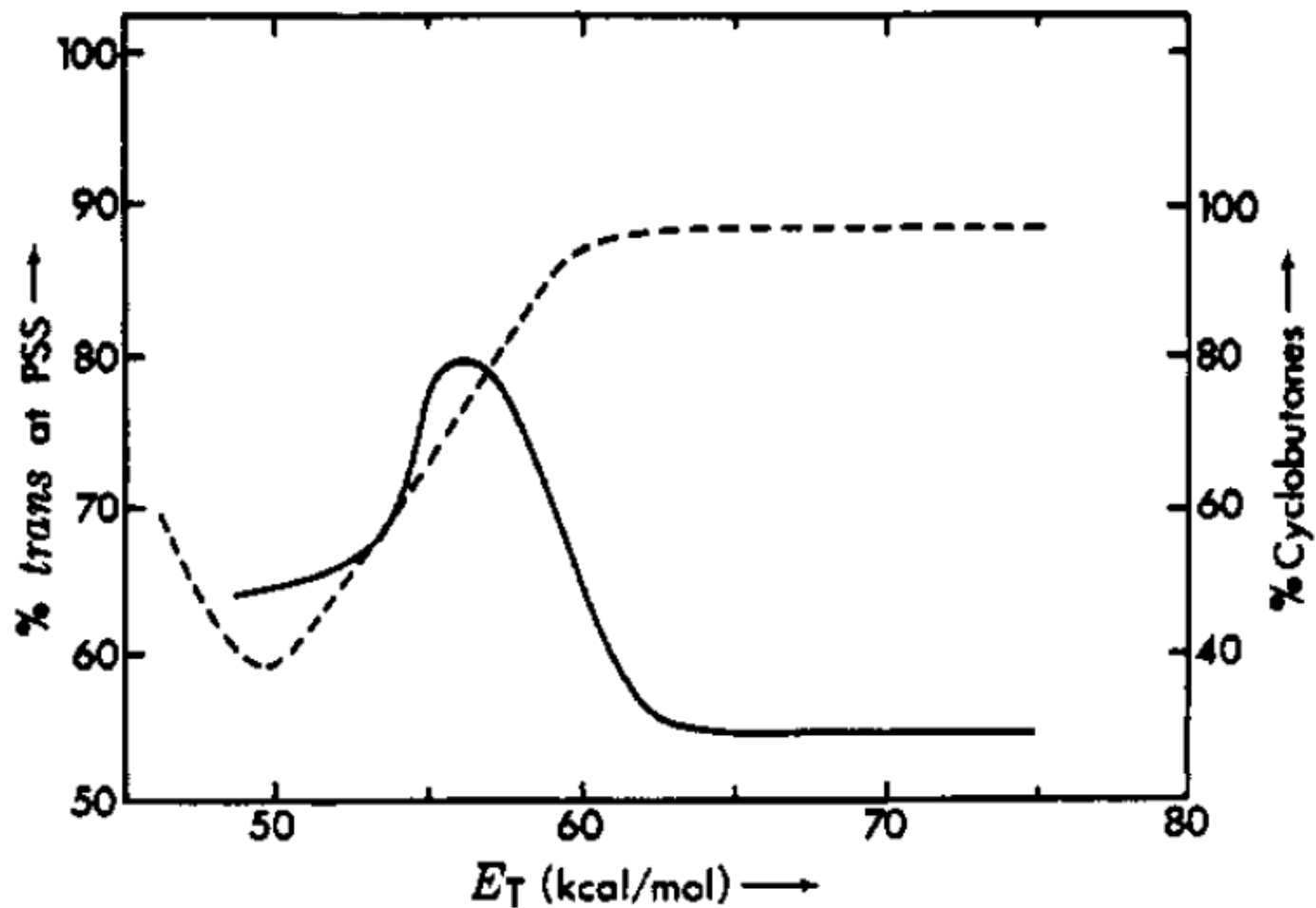


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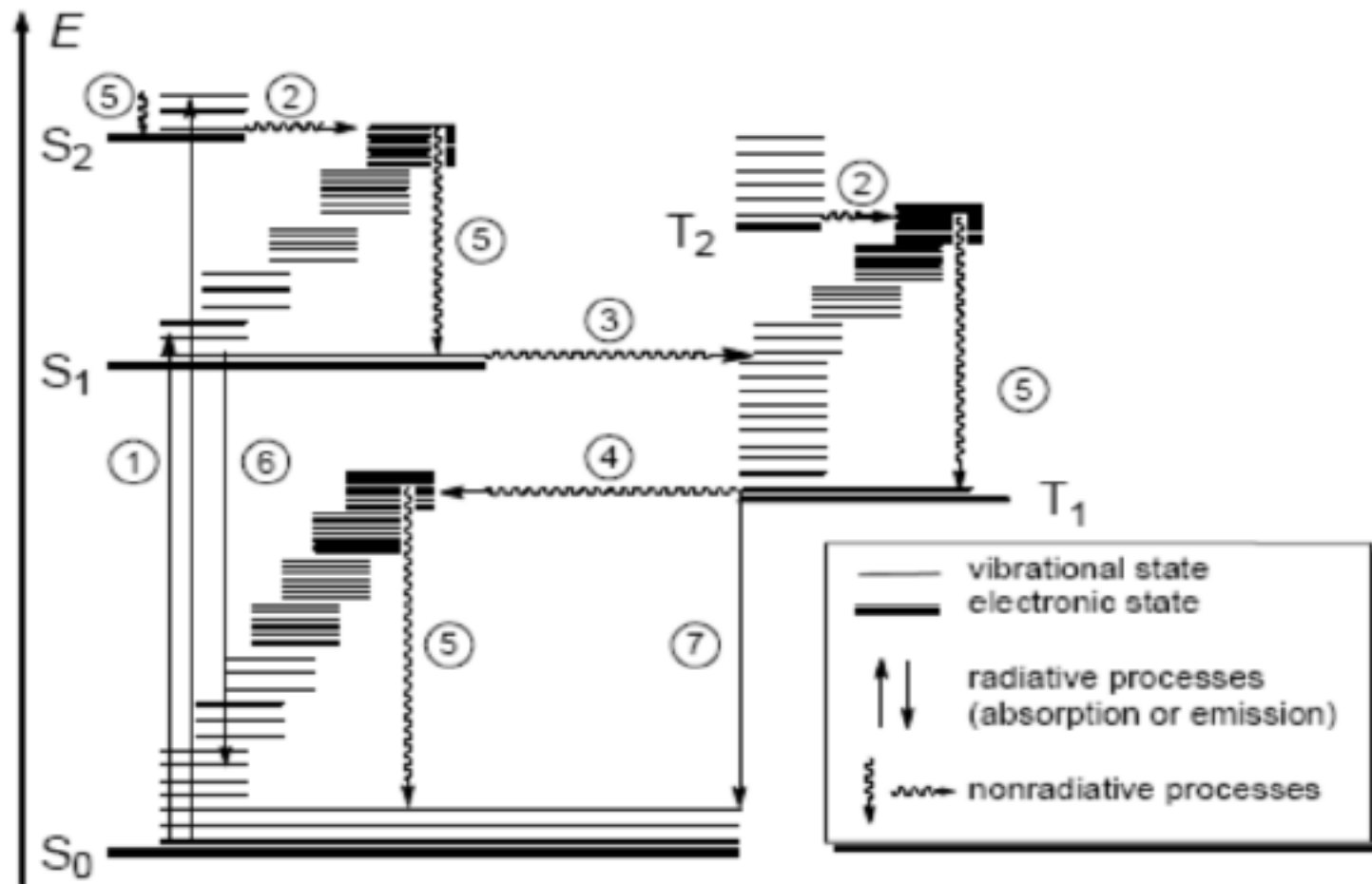
## Fluorenone sensitized dimerization



# Saltiel Plots



**1,3-butadiene dimerization**  
dashes  
**1,3-pentadiene  $E,Z$  isomerization**  
solid line



**Figure 2-1.** State diagram (commonly called Jablonski diagram) depicting molecular states and photophysical processes. The vertical position of thick horizontal lines represents the electronic energy minimum. Vibrational energy levels are shown as thin lines. The width of the horizontal lines and their position along the abscissa are chosen merely to avoid congestion in the graphical diagram and have no physical connotation.

