

QUASI-JAHN-TELLER EFFECT IN CHEMICAL REACTIONS

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It will be demonstrated that the quasi-Jahn-Teller effect in chemical reactions is a nuclear quantum effect, T^q , induced by electronic nonadiabaticity^a. Further, T^q is equivalent to the Diagonal Born-Oppenheimer Correction. Results including and without T^q for a model system will be presented^b. The research shows clearly that one has to consider this effect in order to obtain various quantities within a spectroscopic accuracy for systems where this effect is no longer negligible.

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