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4.3 Properties and  
Representations of Groups

4.4 More Examples

4.4 Uses of Character Tables

Reworked test due on 10/20

For any question that you did not receive full credit answer that question. Please do not resubmit your actual test.

What is a Point Group?

Section 4.3

$C_{2v}$

E

$C_2$

$\sigma_v(xz)$

$\sigma_v(yz)$

*identity*

*180° rotation*

*vertical mirror plane*

*vertical mirror plane*

The set is the set of symmetry operations.

The operation is the symmetry operations operating on each other.

→  $C_2 \times \sigma_v(xz) = \sigma_v(yz)$      $C_2 \times \sigma_v(yz) = \sigma_v(xz)$      $\sigma_v(xz) \times \sigma_v(yz) = C_2$

→  $C_2 \times (\sigma_v(xz) \times C_2) = \sigma_v(xz)$      $(C_2 \times \sigma_v(xz)) \times C_2 = \sigma_v(xz)$

→  $E \times C_2 = C_2$

→  $C_2 \times C_2 = E$

E	C <sub>2</sub>	σ <sub>v</sub> (xz)	σ <sub>v</sub> (yz)
$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

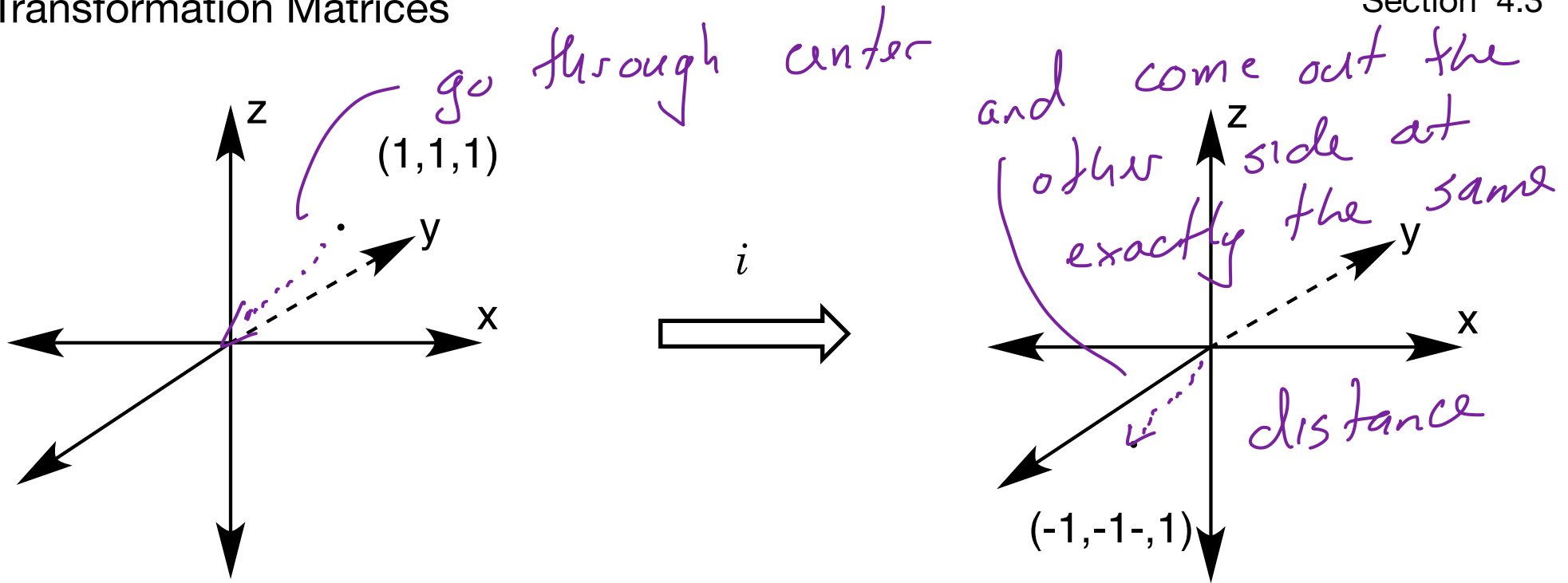
transformation matrices

what happen on

1	-1	1	-1	x
1	-1	-1	1	y
1	1	1	1	z
3	-1	1	1	

trace of the transformation matrix  
 sum the characters along the diagonal

# Transformation Matrices



$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

original coord

transformation matrix

new coord

# Matrix Multiplication...

Number of columns in the first matrix must equal number of rows in the second

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

new x value = sum of Row 1 x Column 1

new y value = sum of Row 2 x Column 1

new z value = sum of Row 3 x Column 1

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1(x) + 0(y) + 0(z) \\ 0(x) + -1(y) + 0(z) \\ 0(x) + 0(y) + -1(z) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x \\ -y \\ -z \end{bmatrix}$$

summary of all symmetry of the point group

$C_{2v}$	E	$C_2$	$\sigma_v(xz)$	$\sigma_v(yz)$		
$A_1$	1	1	1	1	z	$x^2, y^2, z^2$
$A_2$	1	1	-1	-1	$R_z$	xy
$B_1$	1	-1	1	-1	x, $R_y$	xz
$B_2$	1	-1	-1	1	y, $R_x$	yz

order is the # of symmetry operations

irreducible representations = # of classes

\* Mulliken Labels  $\sigma + \pi$  related to symmetry in simple diatomic molecules

these are the characters

the columns are the "classes" there are 4 classes in the  $C_{2v}$  point group. A class contains symmetry operations that give the same characters

What can we use character tables for?

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Anything that is related to symmetry

motions of a molecule

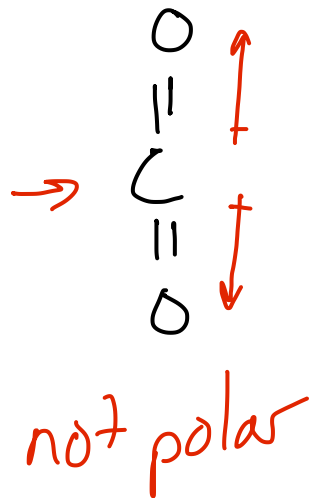
vibrational spectroscopy

IR + Raman

interaction of orbitals to form

molecular orbitals

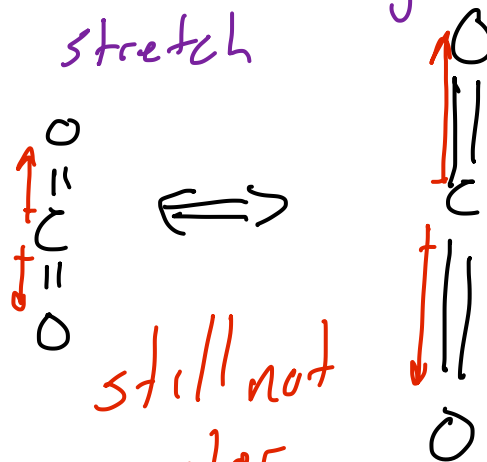
Infrared Spectroscopy



vibrations that change the dipole are IR active

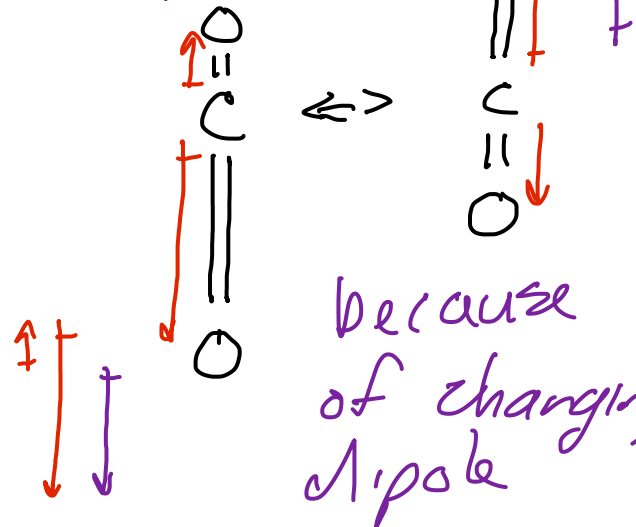
vibrational modes

this is a symmetrical stretch



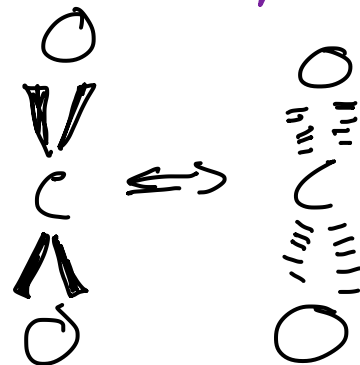
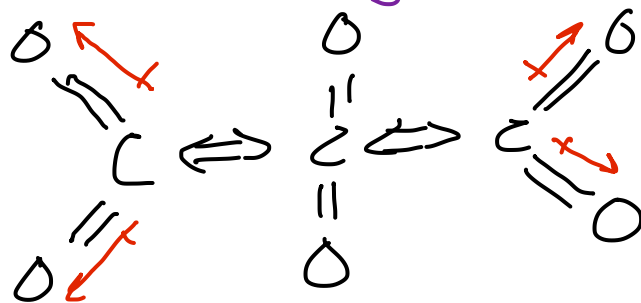
still not polar

oscillating electric field



because of changing dipole

bending



bending

When a vibration changes the dipole of the molecule an oscillating electric field is created... which interacts with other oscillating electric fields. IR photons



Use character tables to determine the symmetry of the molecule's vibrations to determine how many IR bands (peaks) will be present. } today

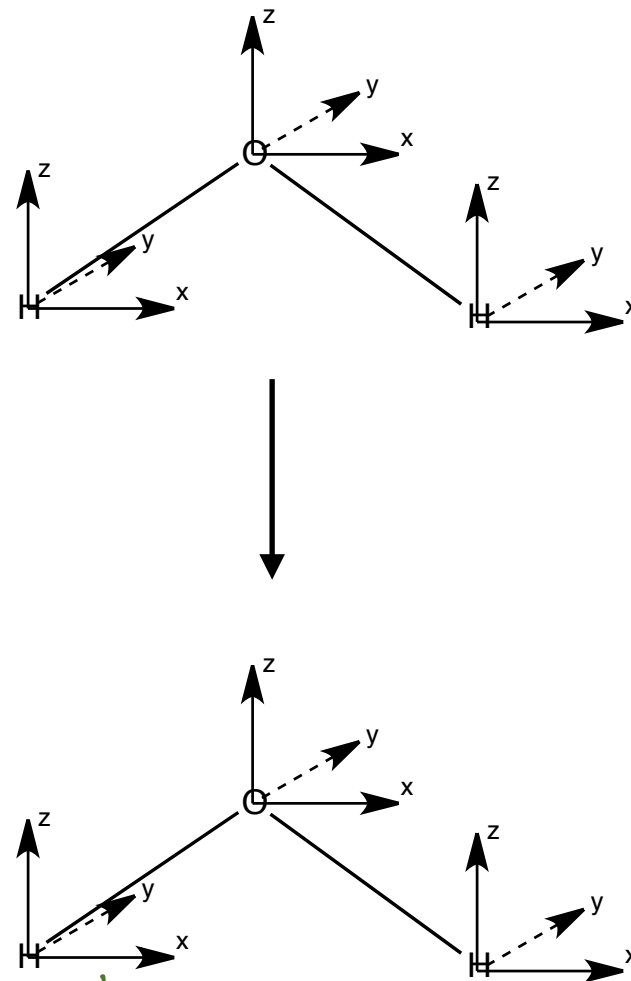
We can also use character tables to examine specific kinds of vibrations. } next class

# Number of IR Active Vibrational Modes for Water

reducible representation

$C_{2v}$	<b>E</b>	$C_2$	$\sigma_{(xz)}$	$\sigma_{(yz)}$
$\Gamma$	9			

<b>O</b>	$x'_O$	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	$x_O$
	$y'_O$	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	$y_O$
	$z'_O$	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	$z_O$
<b>H<sub>a</sub></b>	$x'_{Ha}$			1					$x_{Ha}$
	$y'_{Ha}$				1				$y_{Ha}$
	$z'_{Ha}$					1			$z_{Ha}$
<b>H<sub>b</sub></b>	$x'_{Hb}$					1			$x_{Hb}$
	$y'_{Hb}$						1		$y_{Hb}$
	$z'_{Hb}$							1	$z_{Hb}$



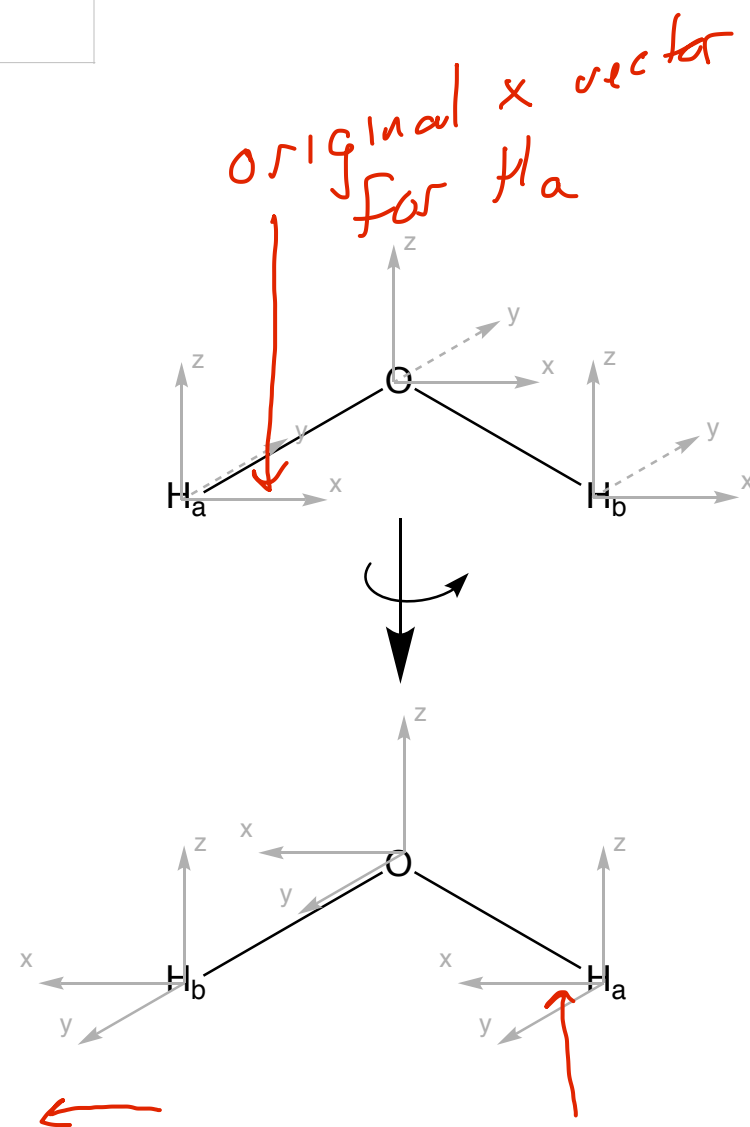
the trace of the transformation matrix is a summary of the information about what happens to the movement of the atoms when we do the E operation

# Number of IR Active Vibrational Modes for Water

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$C_{2v}$	E	$C_2$	$\sigma_{(xz)}$	$\sigma_{(yz)}$
	9	-1		

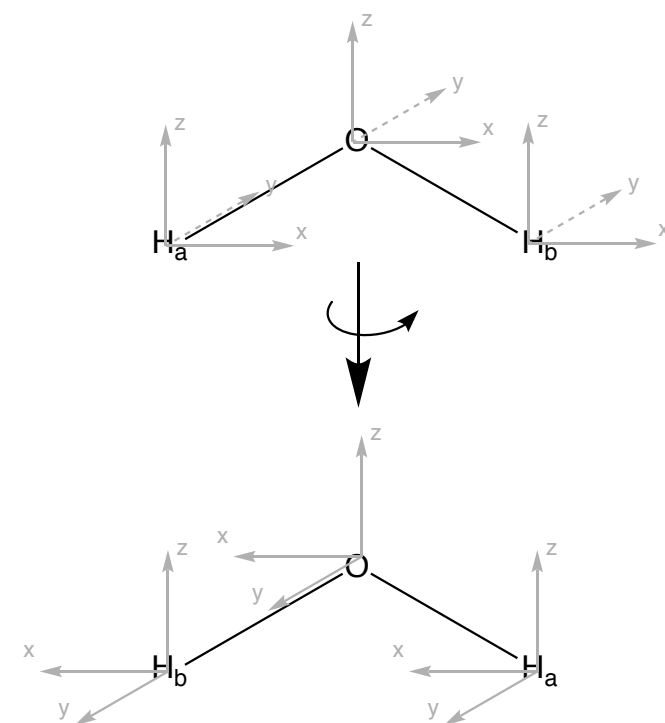
$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{O} \\
 \text{H}_a \\
 \text{H}_b
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{l}
 \begin{array}{l}
 \mathbf{x}'_O \\
 \mathbf{y}'_O \\
 \mathbf{z}'_O \\
 \mathbf{x}'_{H_a} \\
 \mathbf{y}'_{H_a} \\
 \mathbf{z}'_{H_a} \\
 \mathbf{x}'_{H_b} \\
 \mathbf{y}'_{H_b} \\
 \mathbf{z}'_{H_b}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}
 =
 \begin{array}{cccccccccc}
 -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{l}
 \mathbf{x}_O \\
 \mathbf{y}_O \\
 \mathbf{z}_O \\
 \mathbf{x}_{H_a} \\
 \mathbf{y}_{H_a} \\
 \mathbf{z}_{H_a} \\
 \mathbf{x}_{H_b} \\
 \mathbf{y}_{H_b} \\
 \mathbf{z}_{H_b}
 \end{array}$$



# Easier way to determine the trace?

$C_{2v}$	E	$C_2$	$\sigma_{(xz)}$	$\sigma_{(yz)}$
	9	-1		

$$\begin{array}{c}
 O \\
 H_a \\
 H_b
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 x'_O \\
 y'_O \\
 z'_O \\
 x'_{Ha} \\
 y'_{Ha} \\
 z'_{Ha} \\
 x'_{Hb} \\
 y'_{Hb} \\
 z'_{Hb}
 \end{array}
 =
 \begin{array}{ccccccc}
 -1 & & & & & & \\
 & -1 & & & & & \\
 & & 1 & & & & \\
 & & & 0 & & -1 & \\
 & & & & 0 & & -1 \\
 & & & & & 0 & 1 \\
 & & & -1 & & 0 & \\
 & & & & -1 & & 0 \\
 & & & & & 1 & 0
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 x_O \\
 y_O \\
 z_O \\
 x_{Ha} \\
 y_{Ha} \\
 z_{Ha} \\
 x_{Hb} \\
 y_{Hb} \\
 z_{Hb}
 \end{array}$$



easier way to do this? Yes.

don't change position don't change sign 1

don't change position but sign changes -1

change the position contributes 0 to the trace