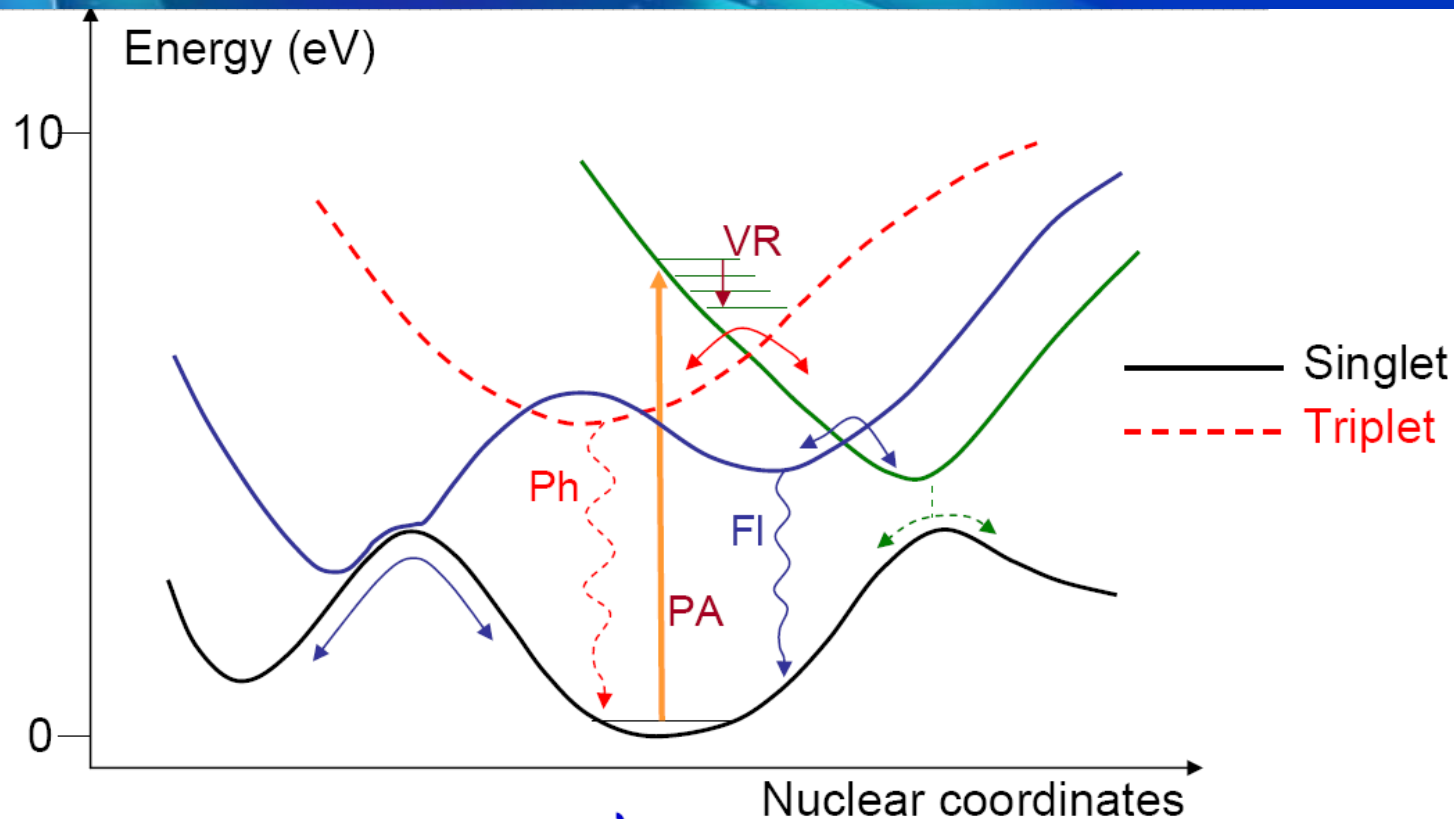


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PA – photoabsorption	1 fs	} <i>ab initio dynamics</i>
↔ conical intersection	10-10 <sup>2</sup> fs	
↔ avoided crossing	10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>4</sup> fs	
VR – vibrational relaxation	10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>5</sup> fs	
↔ intersystem crossing	10 <sup>5</sup> -10 <sup>7</sup> fs	
Fl – fluorescence	10 <sup>6</sup> -10 <sup>8</sup> fs	
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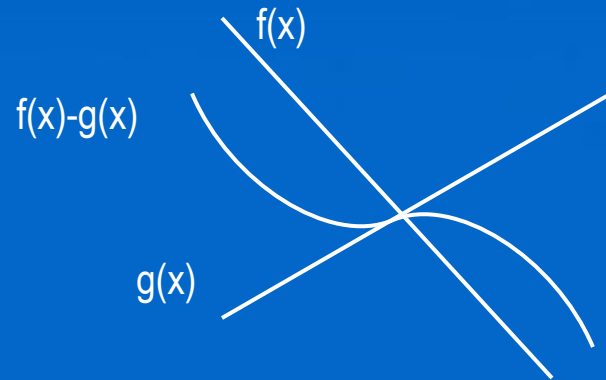
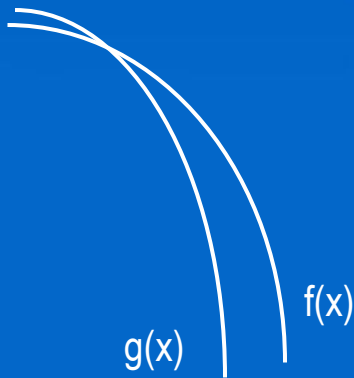
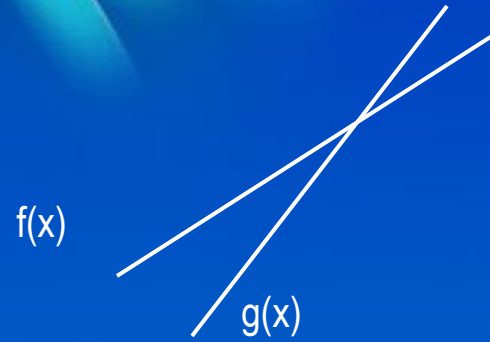
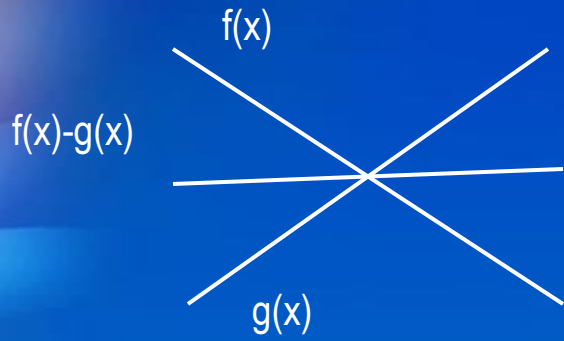
In the simplest case one can calculate excited state energies as energy differences of single-reference calculations.

$$\Delta E(\text{ex}) = E(\text{excited state}) - E(\text{ground state}).$$

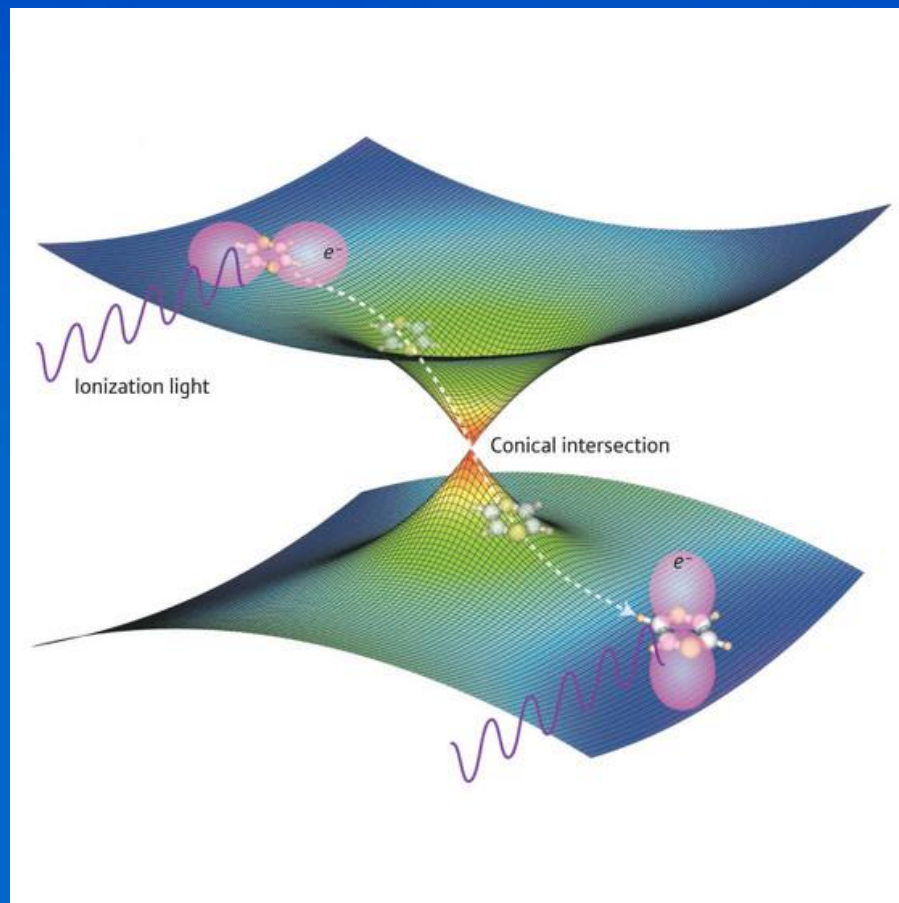
This can be done:

- For states of different symmetry ( $A'$ ,  $A''$ , etc.)
- For states of different multiplicity (singlet, triplet)
- Possibly for states that occupy orbitals of different symmetry

# Possible cases

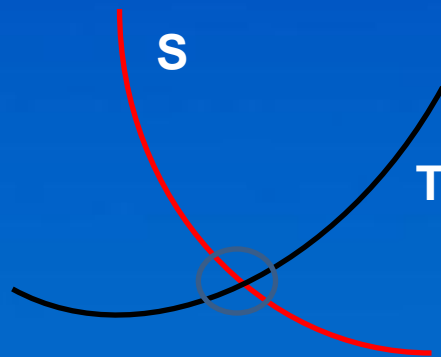


# Different states intersection



# Penalty function method

$$f(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{E_S + E_T}{2} + c_a c_b^2 \ln \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{E_T - E_S}{c_b} \right)^2 \right]$$



**Gradient:**

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial i} = (0.5 + s) \frac{\partial E_T}{\partial i} + (0.5 - s) \frac{\partial E_S}{\partial i} \quad i = x, y, z$$

where  $s$  is the scale functions  $s \rightarrow 0$  if  $E_T - E_S \rightarrow 0$

# Gradient projection method

Minimization gradients:

$$f_1 = 2(E_I - E_J) \frac{g_{IJ}}{|g_{IJ}|}$$

$$f_2 = P \frac{\partial E_J}{\partial q}$$

$$P = I - \tilde{g}_{IJ} \tilde{g}_{IJ}^+ - \tilde{h}_{IJ} \tilde{h}_{IJ}^+$$

Projection matrix

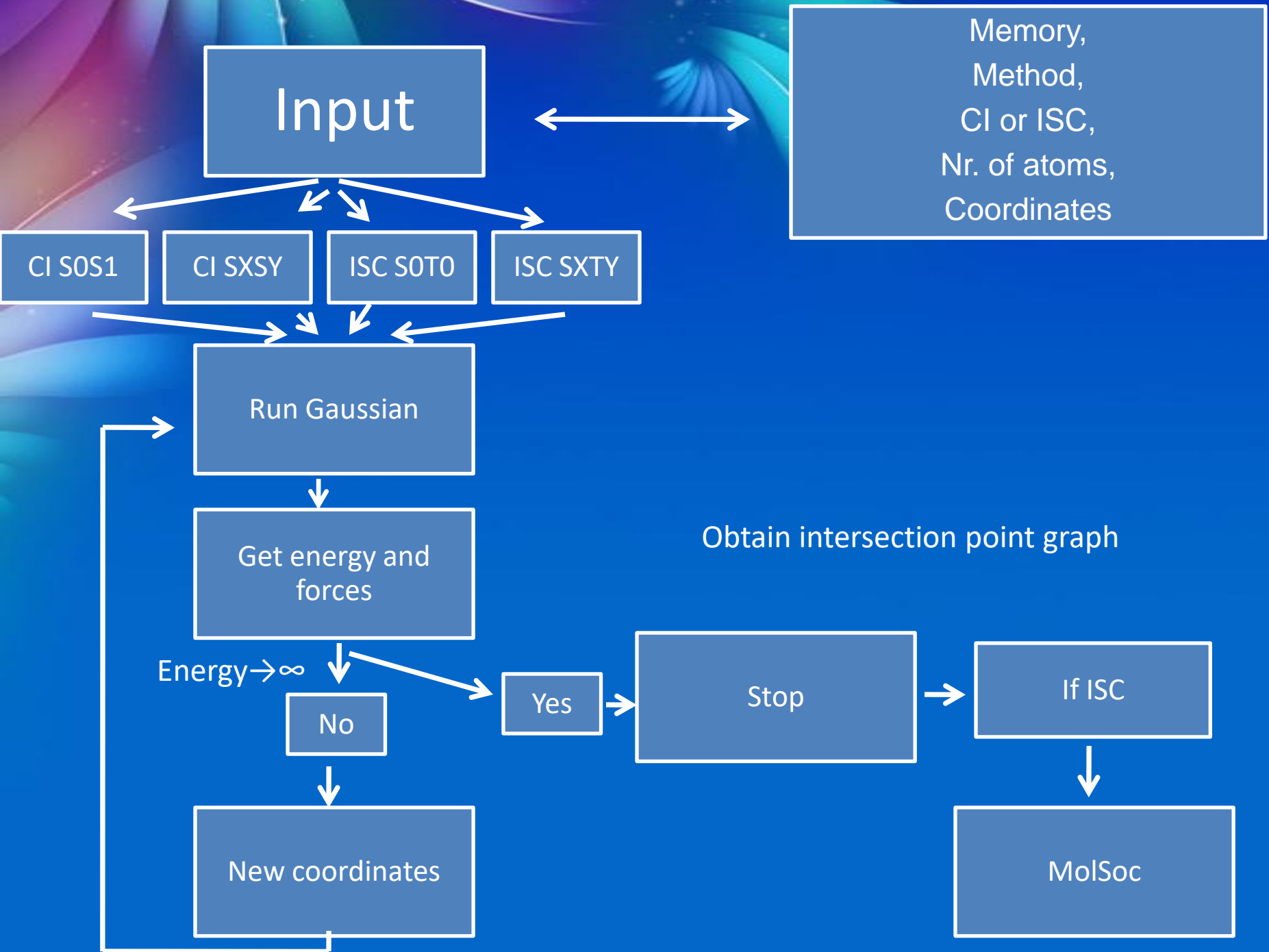
$$g = c_3 [c_4 f_1 + (1 - c_4) f_2]$$

Gradient

$$c_3 > 0$$

$$0 < c_4 \leq 1$$

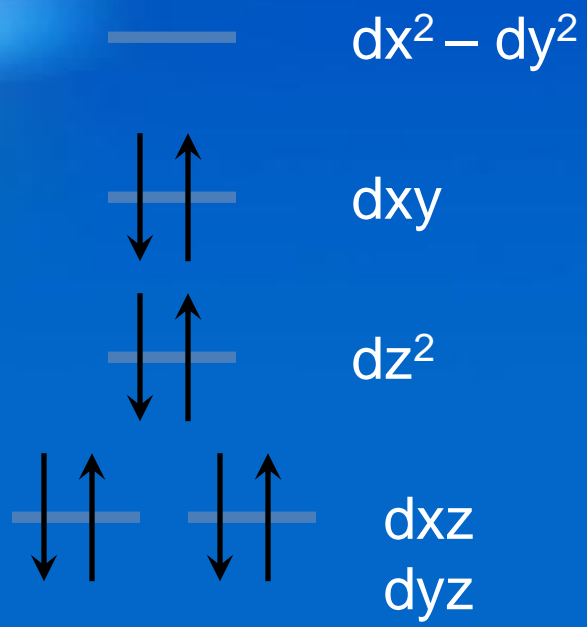




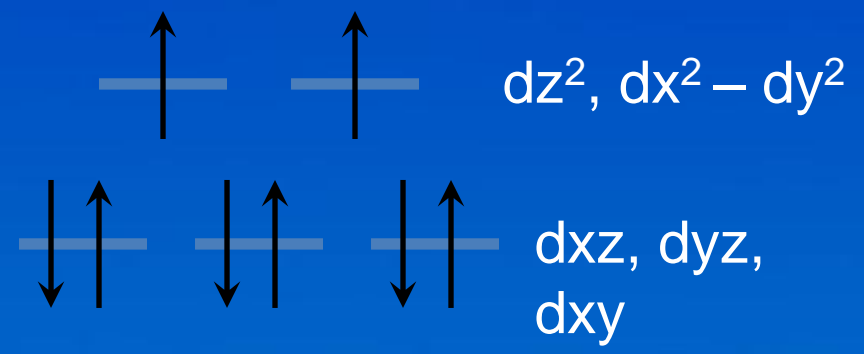
# Singlet vs triplet spin states



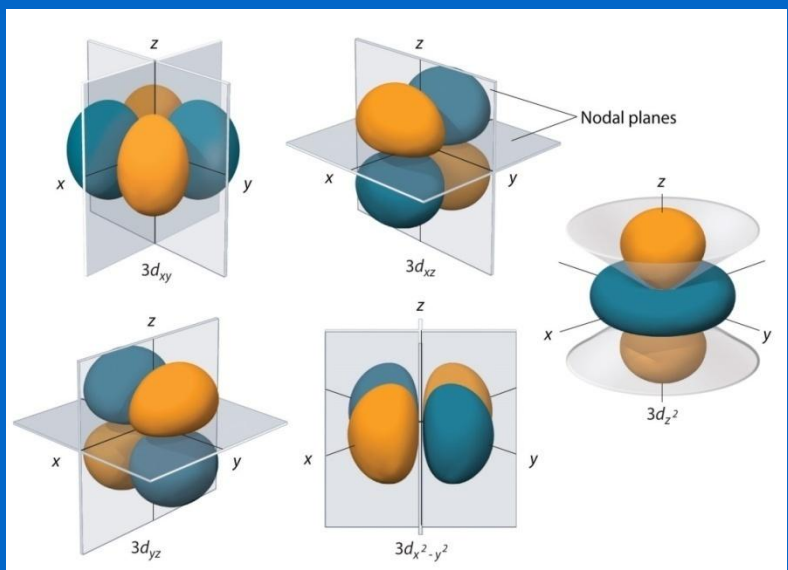
The Ni (II) electronic spin state in square-planar configuration:



The Ni(II) spin state in octahedral configuration:

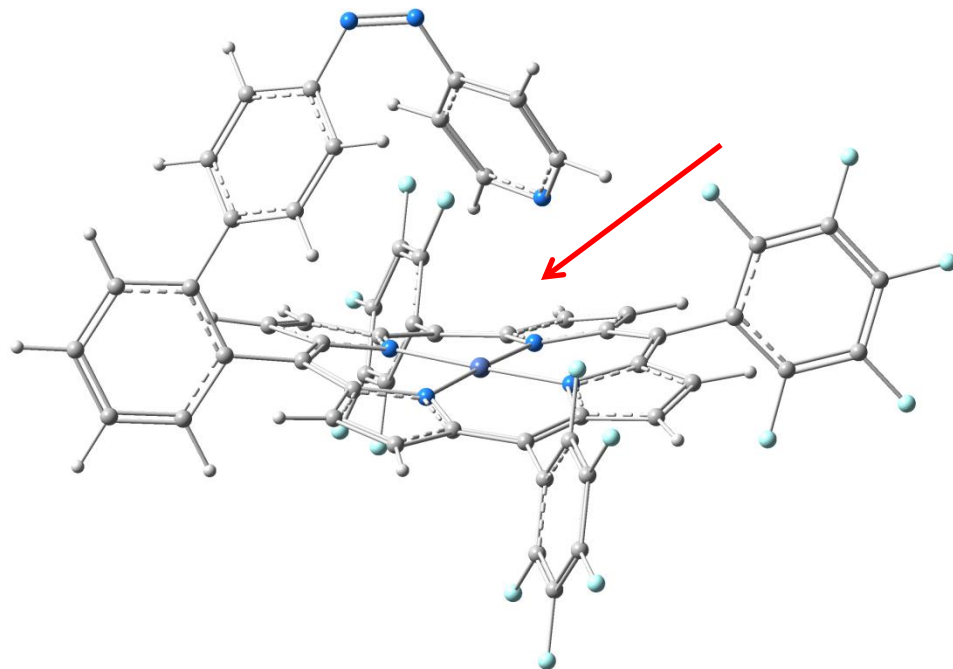


## 3d orbitals of Ni(II)

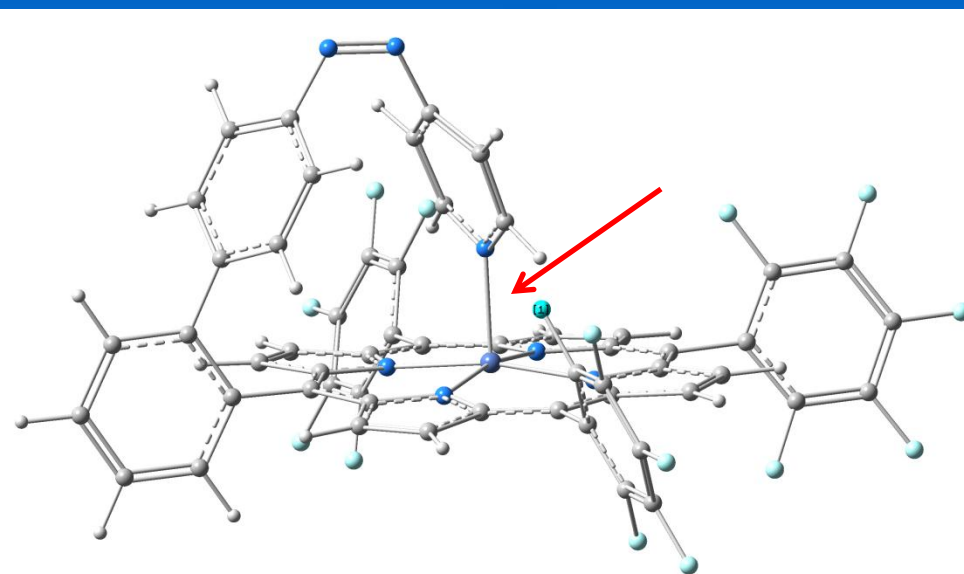


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**phenylazopyridine (NiTPP-**  
**PAPy)**

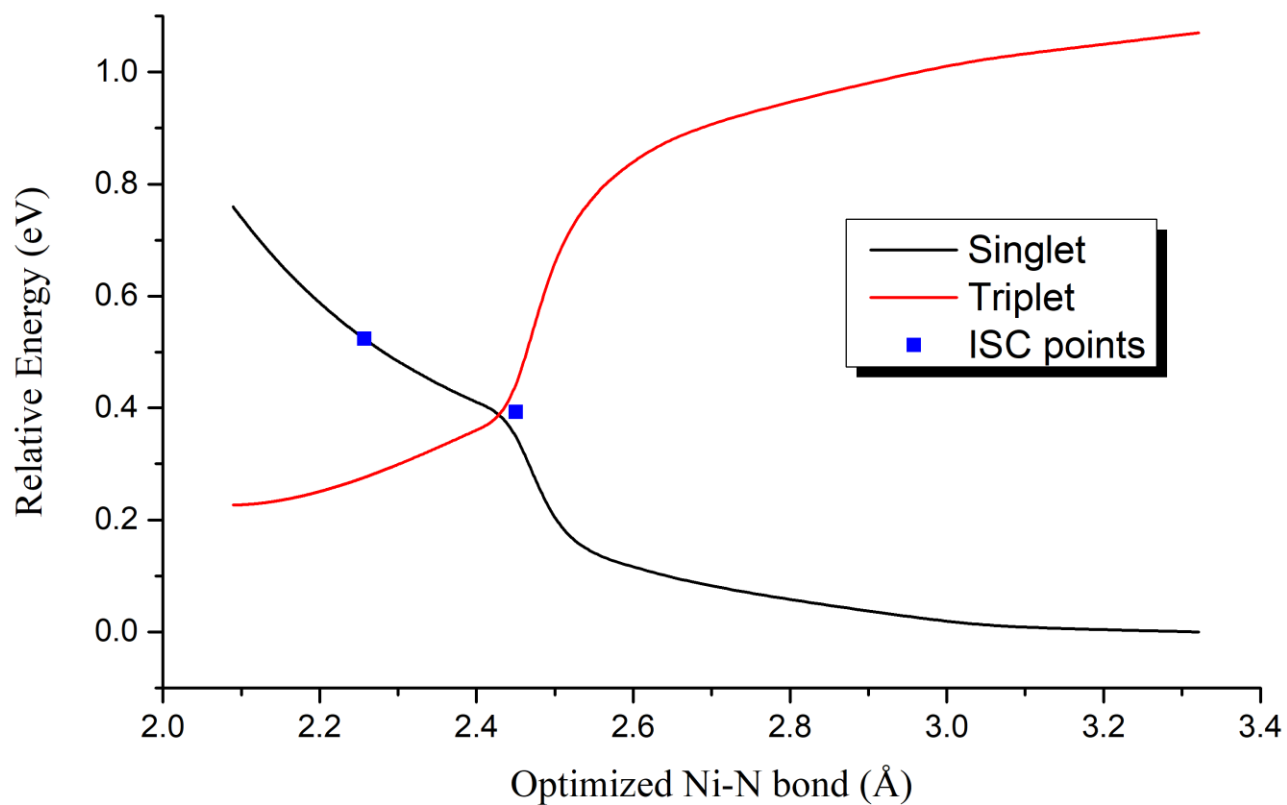
**Singlet**  
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**Triplet**  
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