

# UNCERTAINTY OF COMPUTED THERMODYNAMIC DATA

Molecular  
Spectroscopy

Quantum  
Chemistry

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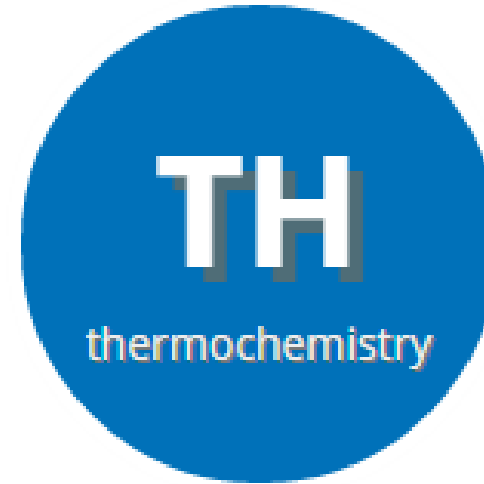
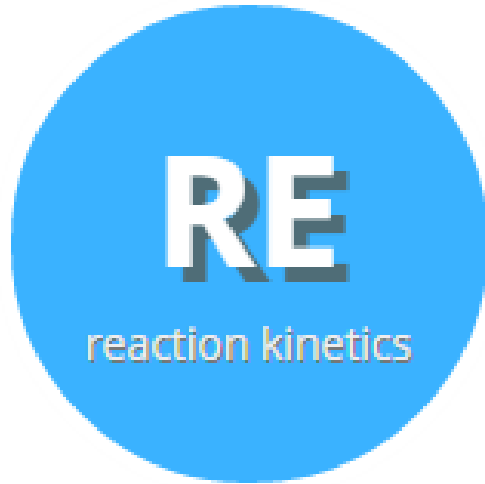
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# ReSpecTh:

a joint reaction kinetics, spectroscopy,  
and thermochemistry information system



<http://respecth.hu>

# Reaction kinetics

- **Respecth Kinetics Data Format**
- **Database of combustion experiments**
- **Collection of Chemkin-format mechanisms**
- **Programs for the analysis of reaction mechanisms**

# Spectroscopy

- **Experimental databases**

The experimentally measured, assigned transitions validated by MARVEL: nine major water isotopologues, H<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, H<sub>2</sub>D<sup>+</sup>, D<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup>, NH<sub>3</sub>, ketene

- **MARVEL databases**

MARVEL energy levels with uncertainties

- **Ab initio databases**

BT2 line list of H<sub>2</sub><sup>16</sup>O, VTT line list of HD<sup>16</sup>O, own D<sub>2</sub><sup>16</sup>O energy levels, own energy levels of H<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, H<sub>2</sub>D<sup>+</sup>, and D<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup>

# Thermochemistry

- **NEAT database**

**NEAT**, standing for a “network of computed reaction enthalpies leading to atom-based thermochemistry”, is a simple and fast, weighted, linear least-squares refinement protocol and code for inverting the information contained in a network of quantum chemically computed 0 K reaction enthalpies.

- **Burcat's thermochemical data**

A mirror of Burcat's thermodynamic data collection

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# Uncertainty quantification in structural studies

- Energy level differences, such as excitation and ionization energies and for molecules also dissociation energies and barrier heights
- Configurational parameters of molecules such as bond lengths and bond angles at local minima and transition states
- Properties, such as dipole moments, oscillator strengths, lifetime, and polarizabilities
- Numerical issues such as analytical representations (fits) yielding potential energy and property (dipole moment) surfaces

# Uncertainty quantification in collisional studies

- Threshold energies
- Cross sections and/or appropriate rates
- Positions and widths of key resonances
- Other observables, such as the polarization of the emitted radiation, branching ratios, etc.

**Question:** would experiment or theory provide more useful data for scientific and engineering applications?

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**Answer:** basically neither, the best approach involves both and takes advantage of the strengths of the two complementary approaches while minimizing their weaknesses. This is true for high-resolution spectroscopy and thermochemistry, as well.

**IUPAC Task Group 2000-013-1-100  
& IUPAC Task Group 2003-4-1-100:**  
**Selected free radicals and critical  
intermediates: thermodynamic  
properties from theory and experiment**

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M. J. Rossi, B. Ruscic, J. F. Stanton, P. G. Szalay,  
P. R. Westmoreland, and F. Zabel
- **<http://www.iupac.org/projects/2003/2003-024-1-100.html>**

# Objectives of the TG

The main objective of this project's activity is the continued **compilation** and **critical evaluation** of published thermochemical properties, including the **computation** of accurate thermochemical data for selected **free radicals**, that are of importance in atmospheric and combustion chemistry.

A distinguishing feature of the critical data evaluation is the systematic utilization of all available kinetic, spectroscopic, and ion thermochemical results, as well as high-level *ab initio* computations. Uncertainty ( $2\sigma$ ) in *ab initio* results is less than 1 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>.

# Radicals treated in Part I

- CH
- CH<sub>3</sub>
- NH<sub>2</sub>
- CH<sub>2</sub>OH
- CH<sub>3</sub>O
- CH<sub>2</sub> (<sup>3</sup>B<sub>1</sub> and <sup>1</sup>A<sub>1</sub>)
- C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>
- CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>
- OH
- CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O

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TABLE 5. Summary of the preferred thermochemical data

Radical	Formula	$\Delta_f H^\circ(298.15 \text{ K})$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	$\Delta_f H^\circ(0 \text{ K})$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	$H^\circ(298.15 \text{ K}) - H^\circ(0 \text{ K})$ (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )	$C_p^\circ(298.15 \text{ K})$ (J K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> )	$S^\circ(298.15 \text{ K})$ (J K <sup>-1</sup> mol <sup>-1</sup> )
Methylidyne	CH ( <sup>2</sup> Π <sub>3/2</sub> )	595.8±0.6	592.5±0.6	8.625	29.175	183.037
Methylene (triplet)	CH <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>3</sup> B <sub>1</sub> )	391.2±1.6	390.7±1.6	10.032	35.130	194.436
Methylene (singlet)	CH <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>1</sup> A <sub>1</sub> )	428.8±1.6	428.3±1.6	9.940	33.781	189.220
Methyl	CH <sub>3</sub> ( <sup>2</sup> A <sub>2</sub> '')	146.7±0.3	150.0±0.3	10.366	38.417	194.008
Benzyl	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>2</sup> B <sub>1</sub> )	208.0±1.7	226.8±1.8	18.178	109.700	318.229
Hydroxymethyl	CH <sub>2</sub> OH( <sup>2</sup> A[ <sup>2</sup> A''])	-17.0±0.7	-10.7±0.7	11.781	47.401	244.170
Acetyl	CH <sub>3</sub> CO( <sup>2</sup> A')	-10.3±1.8	-3.6±1.8	12.385	50.785	267.448
Hydroxyl	OH ( <sup>2</sup> Π <sub>3/2</sub> )	37.3±0.3	37.1±0.3	8.813	29.886	183.737
Methoxyl	CH <sub>3</sub> O( <sup>2</sup> E)	21.0±2.1	28.4±2.1	10.719	42.541	234.278
Ethoxyl	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> O( <sup>2</sup> A'')	-13.6±4.0	-0.2±4.0	14.235	66.321	277.642
Amidogen	NH <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>2</sup> B <sub>1</sub> )	186.2±1.0	189.1±1.0	9.911	33.663	194.868

# High-Accuracy Thermochemistry: Enthalpy of formation of CH ( $^2\Pi_{3/2}$ )

$\Delta_f H^\circ / \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ (298.15 K)	Authors	Method
<b>Measurements</b>		
596 $\pm$ 21	Brewer and Kester (1963)	Kinetic equilibrium
593 $\pm$ 8	Linevsky (1967)	Kinetic equilibrium
597.3 $\pm$ 1.3	Herzberg and Johns (1969)	Spectroscopy
595.6 $\pm$ 1.3	Brooks and Smith (1974)	Spectroscopy
596.2 $\pm$ 1.1	Brzozowski et al. (1976)	Spectroscopy
595 $\pm$ 13	Jesinger and Squires (1999)	Collision Induced Dynamics
<b>Computations</b>		
613.7 $\pm$ 9.2	Zachariah et al. (1996)	BAC-MP4
596.6 $\pm$ 13	Curtiss et al. (1998)	CBS-Q
590.4 $\pm$ 7.9	Curtiss et al. (1998)	G3
596.7 $\pm$ 2.5	Peterson and Dunning (1997)	CCSD(T)
595.9 $\pm$ 1.9	Parthiban and Martin (2001)	W2
587.7 $\pm$ 7.8	Janoschek and Rossi (2002)	G3MP2B3
595.82 +0.47/-0.56	Császár et al. (2002)	FPA
595.8 $\pm$ 0.6	IUPAC recomm.	Supported by ATcT

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# High-Accuracy Thermochemistry: Enthalpy of formation of CH<sub>2</sub> (<sup>3</sup>B<sub>1</sub>)

$\Delta_f H^\circ/\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ (298.15 K)	Authors	Method
<b>Measurements</b>		
387.4 ± 2.9	Chupka and Lifshitz (1967)	PIMS-PIC
< 396 ± 2	Chupka (1968)	PIMS-PIC
391.3 ± 1.8	McCulloh and Dibeler (1976)	PIMS-PIC
388.6 ± 2.1	Lengel and Zare (1978)	Spectroscopy
389.4 ± 2.1	Feldmann et al. (1978)	Spectroscopy
394.4 ± 3.0	Hayden et al. (1982)	Spectroscopy
392.4 ± 1.6	Chen et al. (1988)	Spectroscopy
390.3 ± 0.7	Litorja and Ruscic (1998)	PIMS-PIC
391.3 ± 0.7	Willitsch et al. (2002)	PES-PIC
<b>Computations</b>		
387.9 ± 11.6	Melius (1990)	BAC-MP4
389.7 ± 2.5	Peterson and Dunning (1997)	CCSD(T)
389.2 ± 1.2	Doltsinis and Knowles (1997)	MRCI
396.2 ± 13	Curtiss et al. (1998)	CBS-Q
386.6 ± 7.9	Curtiss et al. (1998)	G3
391.0 ± 1.9	Parthiban and Martin (2001)	W2
385.2 ± 7.8	Janoschek and Rossi (2002)	G3MP2B3
<b>390.87 +0.68/-0.64</b>	<b>Császár et al. (2003)</b>	<b>FPA</b>

# Motivations of the focal-point analysis (FPA) approach

- Get the **right result** for the **right reason** for polyatomic and polyelectronic systems.
- Attach **uncertainties (error bars)** to theoretical predictions.
- Consider small **physical effects** tacitly neglected in most quantum chemical studies, such as core correlation, relativistic effects, and corrections to the Born-Oppenheimer approximation.
- Approach **spectroscopic accuracy** ( $1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) as opposed to chemical ( $1 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ ) or calibration ( $1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ ) accuracy in predictions of spectra.

A. G. Császár, W. D. Allen, H. F. Schaefer, *J. Chem. Phys.* **1998**, *108*, 9751-9764.

# Accuracy goals in electronic structure calculations

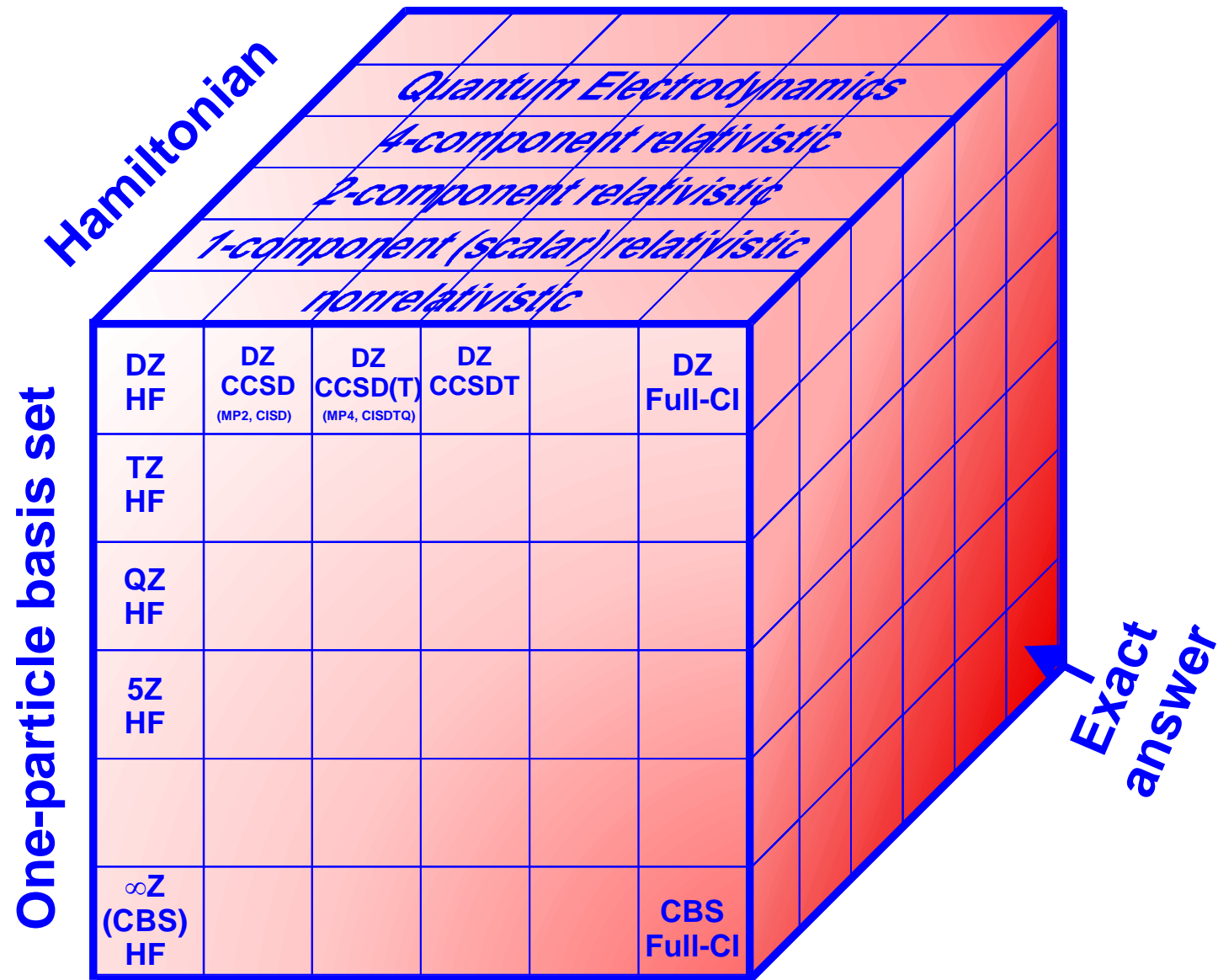
	atomic units	kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	cm <sup>-1</sup>
<b>Chemical accuracy</b>	$\approx 1 \text{ m}E_h$	4	
<b>Calibration accuracy</b>	$\approx 0.2 \text{ m}E_h$	1	$\approx 100$
<b>Spectroscopic accuracy</b>	$\approx 1 \mu E_h$		1
<b>Hyperfine accuracy</b>	$\approx 1 \text{ n}E_h$		

NB1: Obviously, it is much harder to achieve these accuracy goals in absolute energies than in relative energies chemists are mostly interested in.

NB2: These accuracies are characteristic of theoretical treatments, they have nothing to do with accuracies related to spectroscopic measurements.

# Rubik's cube of BO electronic structure theory

## Electron correlation treatment



# Characteristics of the Focal-Point Approach

- use of a family of basis sets which systematically approaches completeness (e.g., (aug-)cc-p(C)VnZ)
- applications of low levels of theory with prodigious basis sets (typically direct RHF and MP2 computations with up to a thousand basis functions)
- higher-order (valence) correlation (HOC) treatments [these days FCI, CCSDTQ[P], CCSDT, and CCSD(T)] with the largest possible basis sets
- layout of a two-dimensional extrapolation grid based on an assumed additivity of correlation increments
- eschewal of empirical corrections

# Accuracy to better than $10 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ in the PEHS

- Electronic (kinetic) relativistic effect
- Relativistic Coulomb potential (Breit effect)
- Radiative correction (Lamb shift or QED)
- Adiabatic or Diagonal Born-Oppenheimer Correction (DBOC)
- Non-adiabatic corrections for vibration and rotation

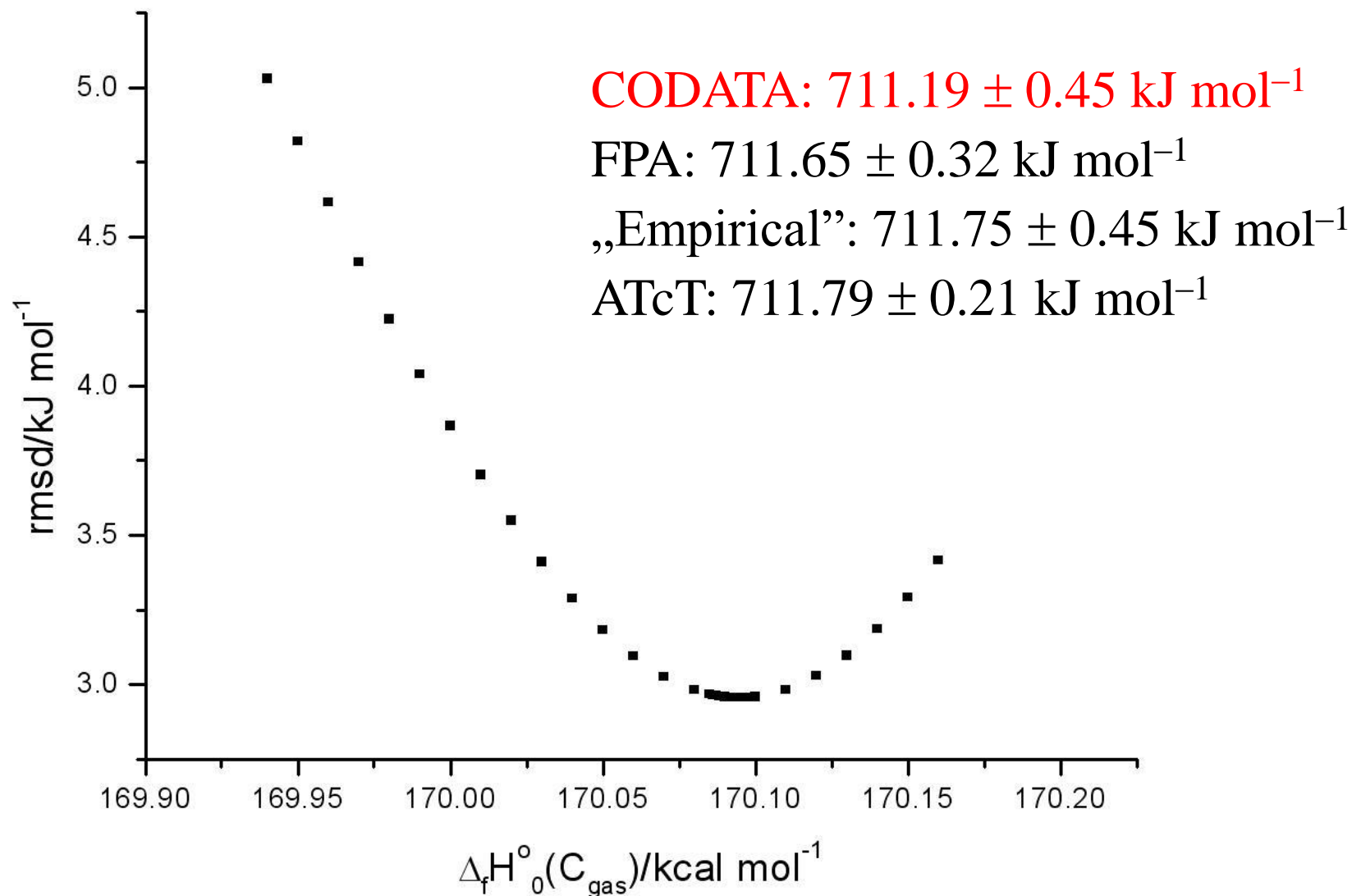
Can BO electronic structure calculations be done this accurately?



**FPA computation of  $D_f H_0^0(C_{\text{gas}})$   
through the dissociation energy  
 $\text{CO} \rightarrow \text{C} + \text{O}$**

	Reference: UHF	Reference: ROHF
CBS Hartree-Fock	$61034 \pm 1$	$63586 \pm 1$
CBS CCSD(T)	$90838 \pm 25$	$90843 \pm 25$
CBS FCI	$90873 \pm 28$	
Relativistic corr.	$90817 \pm 29$	
DBOC + SO corr.	$90715 \pm 29$	
ZPE	<b><math>89627 \pm 30</math></b>	
Expt.	<b><math>89595 \pm 30</math></b>	

# Dependence of the computed enthalpies of formation of $C_1$ - $C_{13}$ alkanes on the enthalpy of formation of $C_{\text{gas}}$



# Dissociation energy of $\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$

	Value	Uncertainty
A CBS CCSD(T) frozen core	43956	6
B Core correlation CCSD(T)	+81	2
C All-electron CBS CCSD(T) [=A+B]	44037	6
D Higher order electron correlation	−52	3
E CBS FCI [=C+D]	43985	7
F Scalar relativistic correction	−53	3
G QED (Lamb shift) correction	+3	1
H Spin-orbit effect	−69.4	1

# Dissociation energy of $\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$

I	Angular momenta coupling, OH	+31.5	0
J	Sum spin effects, OH [=H+I]	-37.9	1
K	DBOC, $\text{H}_2\text{O}$	+35.3	0.5
L	ZPE $\text{H}_2\text{O}$	4638.1	0
M	ZPE OH	1850.7	0.5
N	Net ZPE, $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ [=L+M]	2787.4	0.5
U	Nonadiabatic contributions	0	1
V	Total MD, $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ [=I+K+N+U]	-2721	1
	$D_0(\text{H}_2\text{O})$ Calc. [=E+V]	41145	8
	(Obs - Calc) $D_0(\text{H}_2\text{O})$	+1	

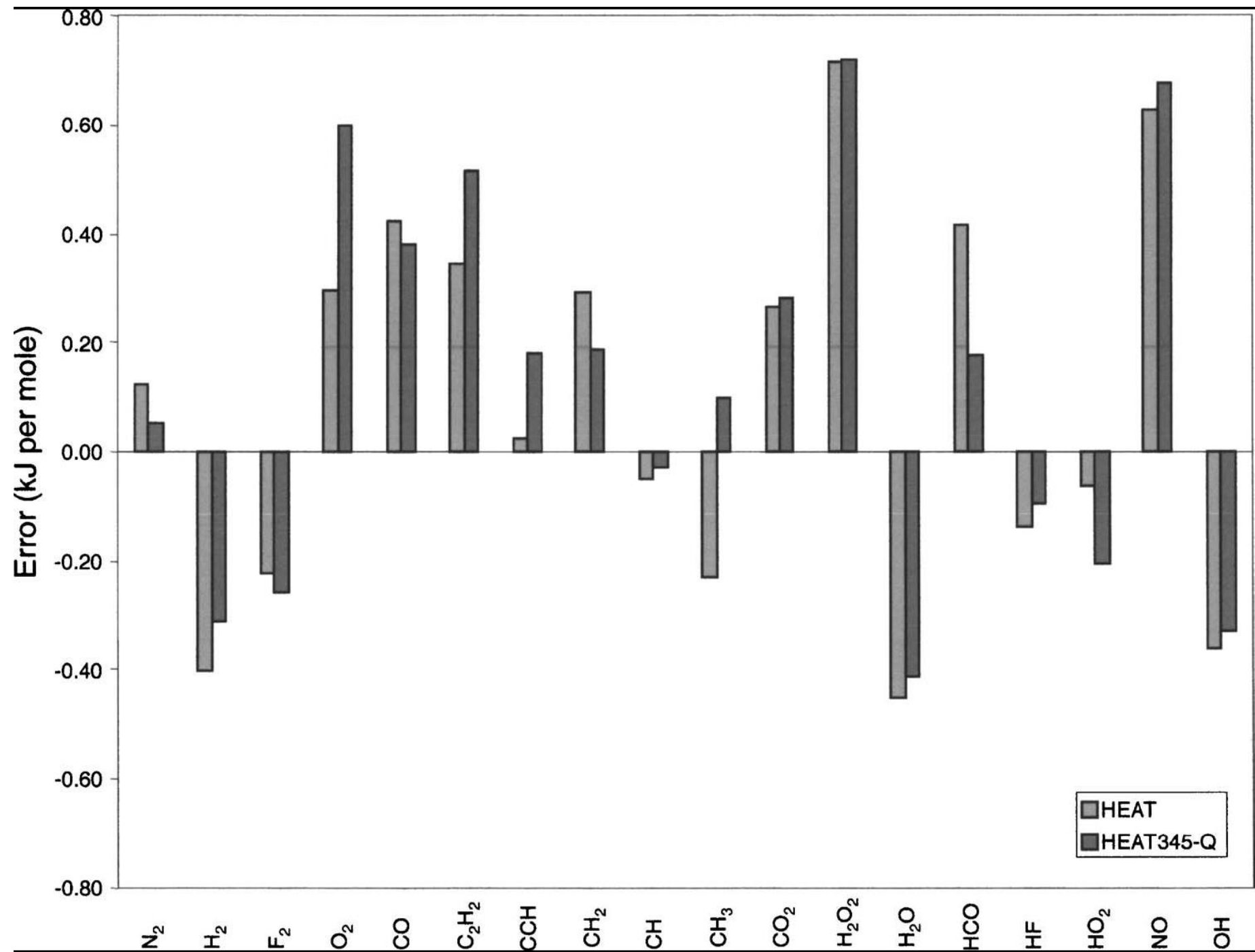
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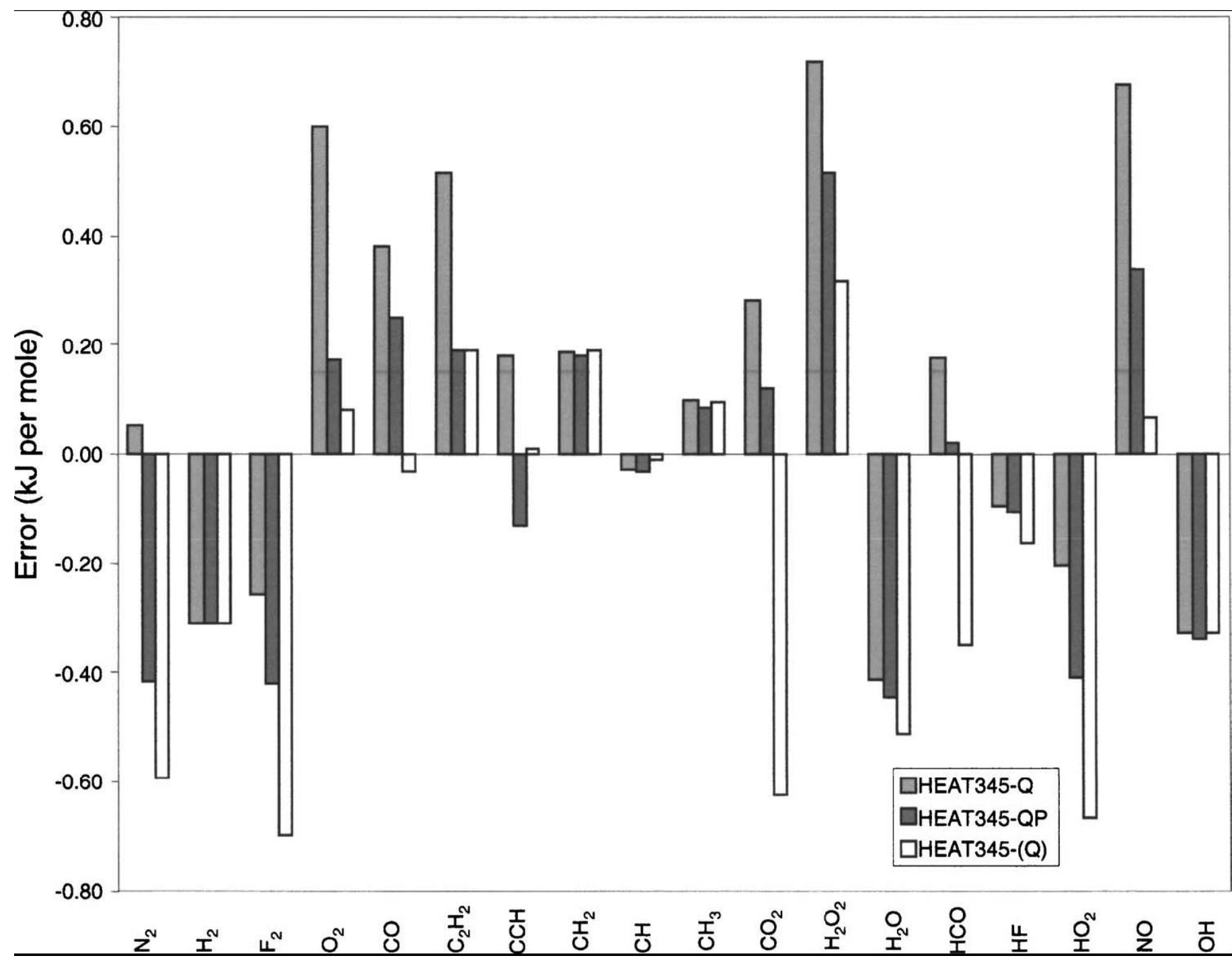
**High accuracy extrapolated *ab initio* thermochemistry**

The 31 species treated:

N<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, F<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, C, F, H, N, O, CO, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>,  
CCH, CH<sub>2</sub>, CH, CH<sub>3</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O,  
HCO, HF, HO<sub>2</sub>, NO, OH, HNO, CN,  
HCN, CF, NH<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, NH, OF

A. Tajti, P. G. Szalay, A. G. Császár, M. Kállay, J. Gauss, E. F. Valeev,  
B. A. Flowers, J. Vázquez, J. F. Stanton, *J. Chem. Phys.* **121**, 11599 (2004).





# NEAT

**NEAT:** Network of computed reaction  
Enthalpies leading toward Atom-based  
Thermochemistry

Database:  $xR_1(g) + yR_2(g) \rightarrow aP_1(g) + bP_2(g)$

Base equation:

$$\Delta_r H_0 = [a \Delta_f H_0(P_1) + b \Delta_f H_0(P_2)] - (x \Delta_f H_0(R_1) + y \Delta_f H_0(R_2))$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \dots R_1 \dots R_2 \dots P_1 \dots P_2 \dots \\
 \boxed{\dots -x \dots -y \dots a \dots b \dots}
 \end{array}
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 \end{array}$$



# NEAT

NEAT database contains **only** *ab initio* 0 K  
reaction enthalpies from 31 publications

Convention: atom-based thermochemistry

Conversion between AT and element-based  
approches:

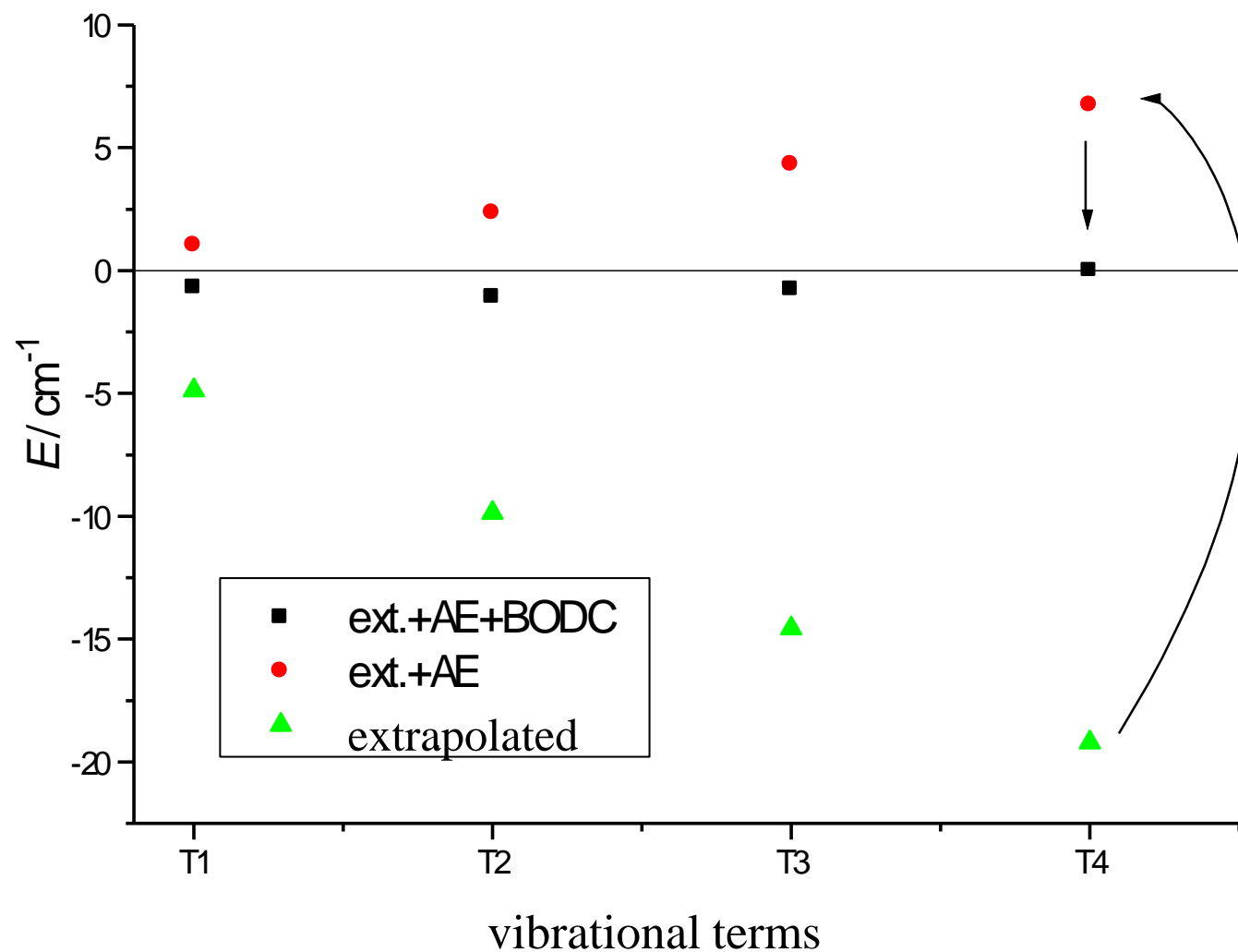
$$\Delta_f H_0^\circ(A_a B_b) = \Delta_f H_0^{\text{AT}}(A_a B_b) + a \cdot \Delta_f H_0^\circ(A) + b \cdot \Delta_f H_0^\circ(B)$$

Comparison with ATcT: Active Thermochemical  
Tables of Ruscic accepted as containing the  
'experimental' enthalpies of formation

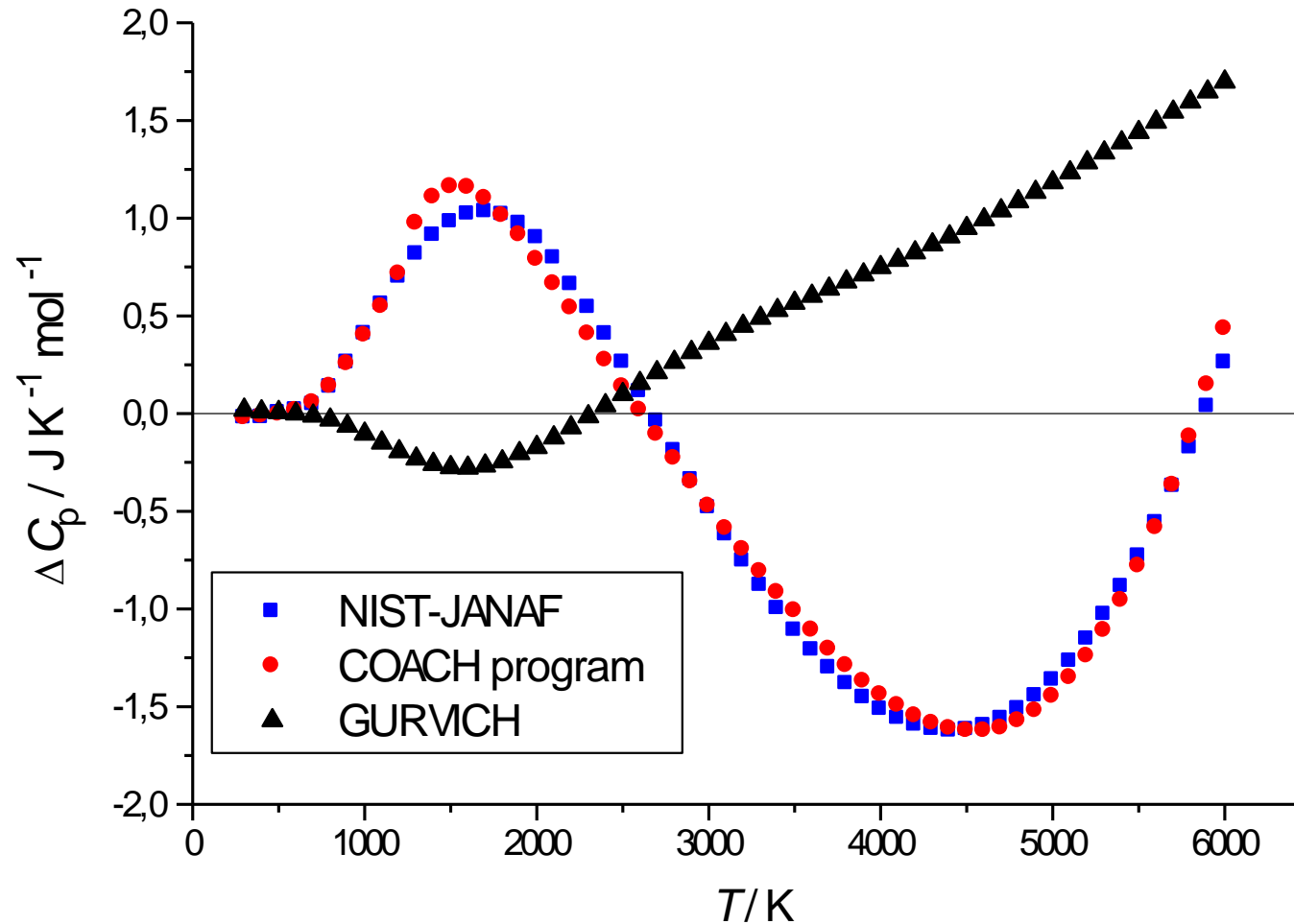
# NEAT

Species	No. of reactions		NEAT		ATcT
	2010	2013	2010	2013	
H <sub>2</sub> O	17	21	918.05 (20)	918.04(15)	917.83(3)
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	13	16	1625.71(37)	1625.83(36)	1626.16(24)
CH (X <sup>2</sup> Π <sub>3/2</sub> )	13	25	334.61(15)	334.67(15)	334.66(23)
NH <sub>3</sub>	12	14	1157.47(34)	1157.34(29)	1157.25(4)
CO	13	17	1072.08(28)	1071.94(26)	1072.13(9)
CH <sub>3</sub>	11	13	1209.81(33)	1209.58(28)	1209.63(13)
CH <sub>2</sub> ( <sup>3</sup> B <sub>1</sub> )	10	14	752.45(23)	752.41(20)	752.70(26)
OH	12	19	425.93(21)	425.84(15)	425.62(3)
CH <sub>4</sub>	10	13	1641.76(41)	1641.87(36)	1642.24(12)
CO <sub>2</sub>	10	12	1597.77(40)	1597.92(37)	1598.27(9)
H <sub>2</sub>	11	16	432.07(0)	432.07(0)	432.07(0)
NH	9	12	327.69(25)	327.68(21)	328.43(29)
HO <sub>2</sub>	7	8	694.51(34)	694.50(31)	694.46(22)
HF	7	9	566.12(31)	566.10(26)	565.97(1)

# Differences between experimental and theoretical VBOs for $^2\Pi$ CH



# Differences between first-principles and established heat capacities for CH



# Partition function of $\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$

- Several definitions, one based on spectroscopic data (“direct sum”):

$$Q(T) = \sum_i g_i (2J + 1) \cdot e^{-c_2 E_i / T}$$

- $Q(T)$ ’s first and second moments:

$$Q'(T) = \sum_i g_i (2J + 1) \cdot \frac{c_2 E_i}{T} \cdot e^{-c_2 E_i / T}$$

$$Q''(T) = \sum_i g_i (2J + 1) \cdot \left( \frac{c_2 E_i}{T} \right)^2 \cdot e^{-c_2 E_i / T}$$

- The isobaric specific heat capacity:

$$C_p(T) = R \left( \frac{Q''(T)}{Q(T)} - \left( \frac{Q'(T)}{Q(T)} \right)^2 \right)$$

# Partition function of $\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$

- The simplest way to approximate the partition function: the RRHO (rigid rotor, harmonic oscillator) model

$$Q^{\text{HO}}(T) = \left( \sum_{v_1} e^{-c_2 v_1 / T} \right) \left( \sum_{v_2} e^{-c_2 v_2 / T} \right) \left( \sum_{v_3} e^{-c_2 v_3 / T} \right)$$



Integrate

$$Q^{\text{HO}}(T) = (1 - e^{-c_2 v_1 / T})^{-1} (1 - e^{-c_2 v_2 / T})^{-1} (1 - e^{-c_2 v_3 / T})^{-1}$$

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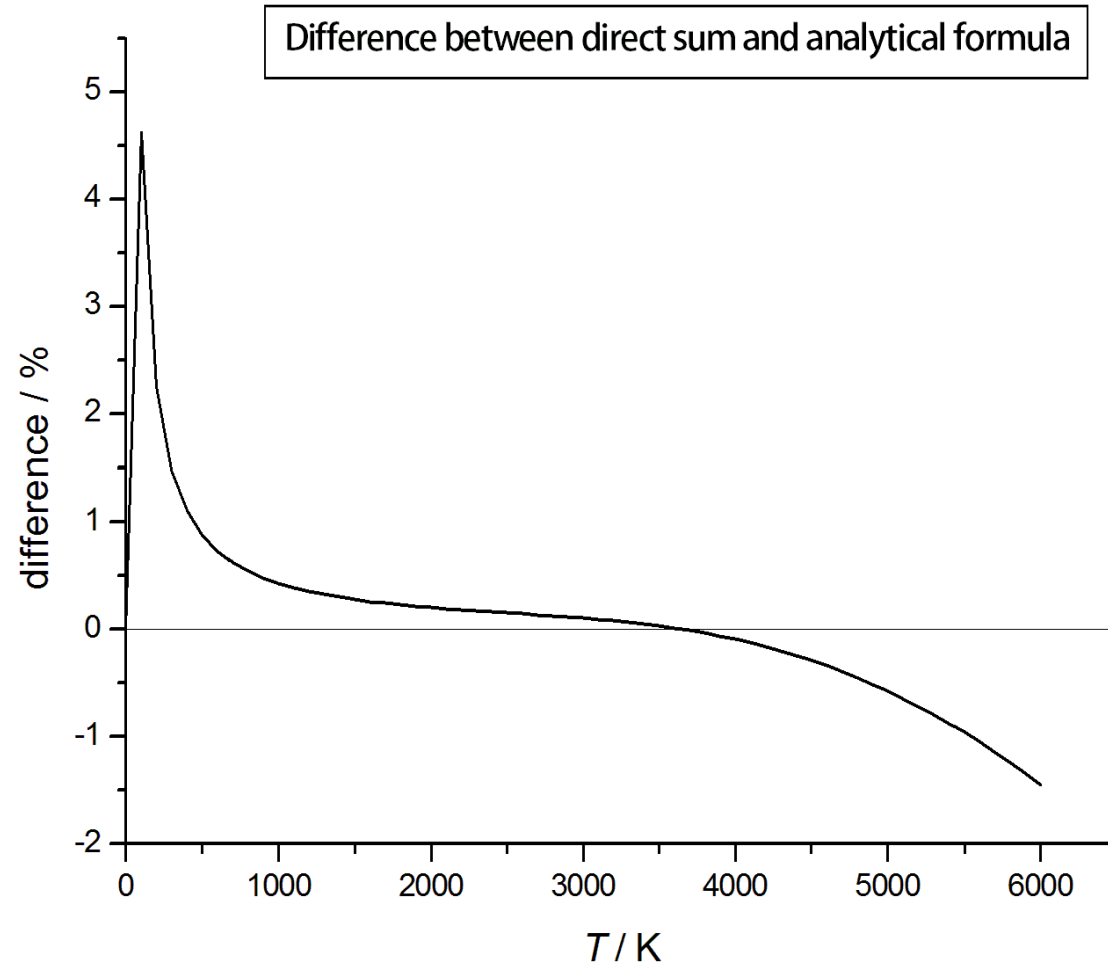
$$Q^{\text{RR}}(T) = \sum_J (2J + 1) e^{-c_2 E^{\text{RR}}(J)/T}$$



Integrate

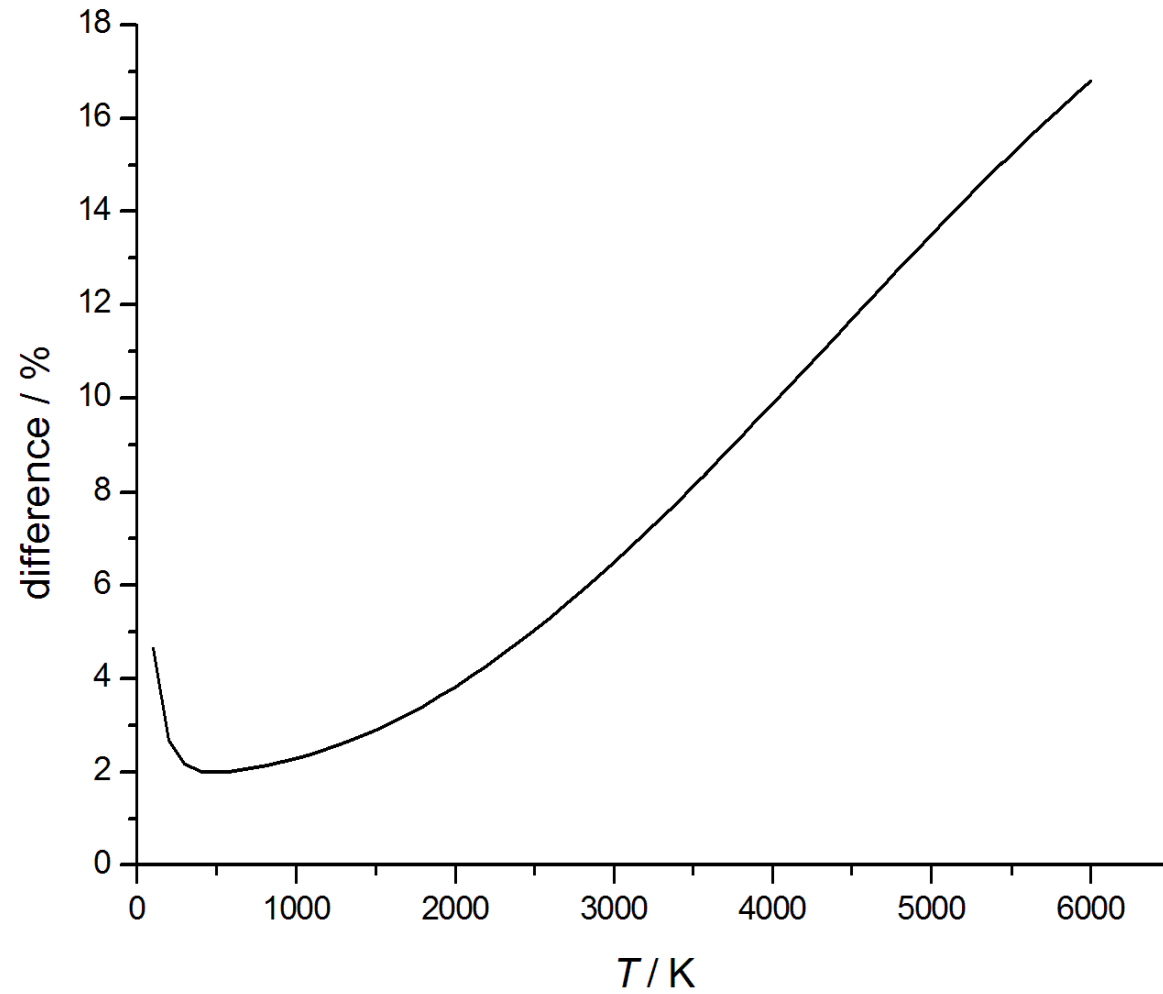
$$Q^{\text{RR}}(T) = 1.027 \sqrt{\frac{T^3}{ABC}}$$

# Partition function of $\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$





# RRHO vs. exact $Q(T)$ for $\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$



# Partition function of H<sub>2</sub><sup>16</sup>O

Exact partition function:

$$Q(T) = \sum_i g_i (2J + 1) \cdot e^{-c_2 E_i / T}$$

where the  $E_i$  values come from

- MARVEL (accuracy)
- *ab initio* calculation (completeness)
- unbound states

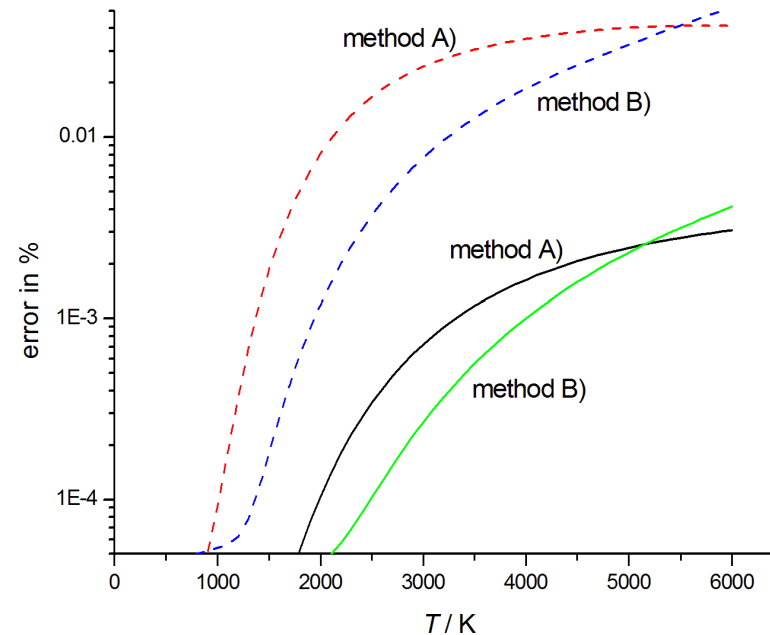
# Uncertainty of partition functions

1. Each energy level has its own uncertainty

$$E_i \pm \varepsilon_i$$

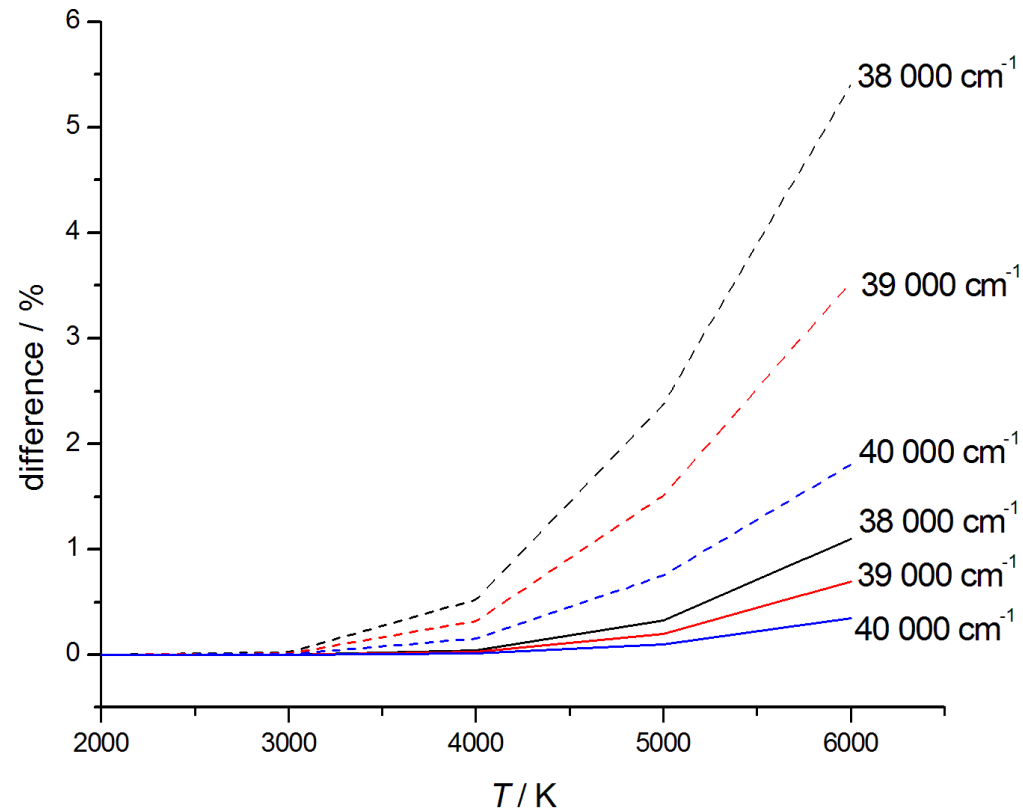
method A: error propagation formula

method B: two extrema method ( $Q^+ - Q^-$ )



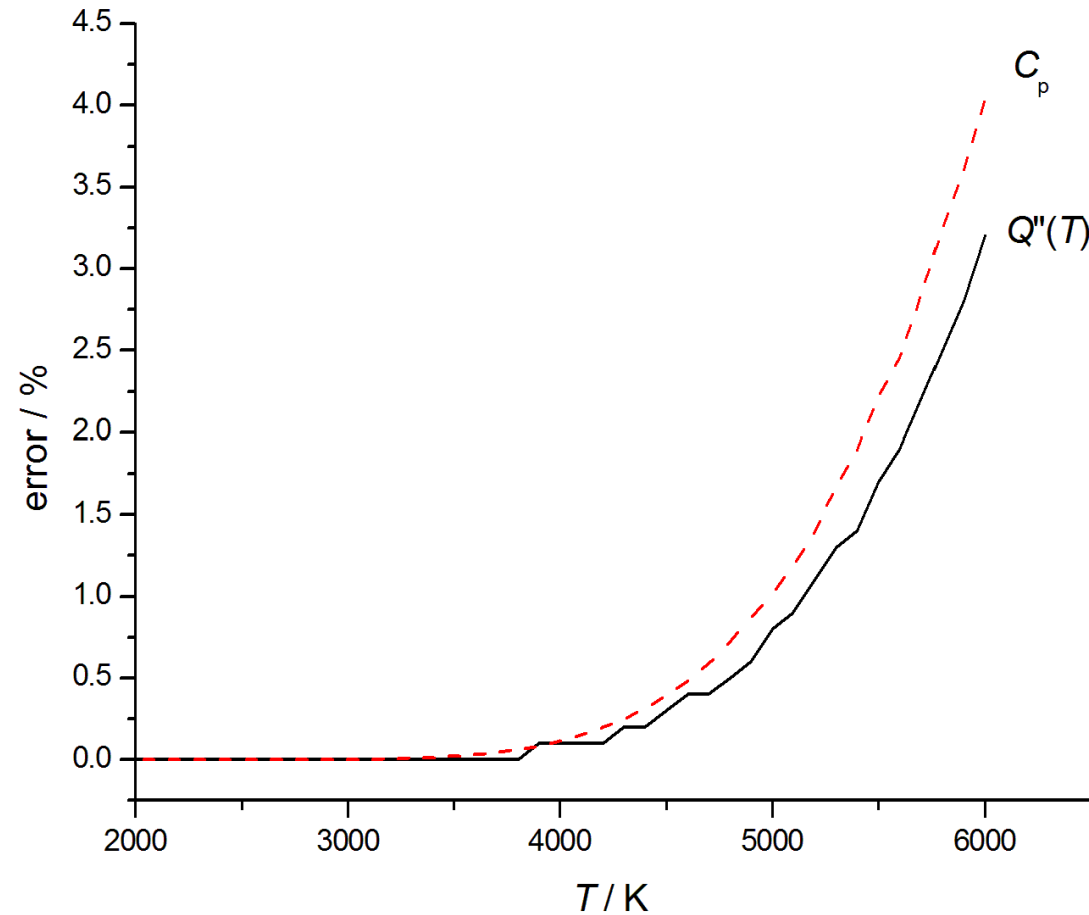
# Uncertainty of partition functions

2. The “missing” energy levels, assuming that the set of first-principles levels is not complete



# Uncertainty of partition functions

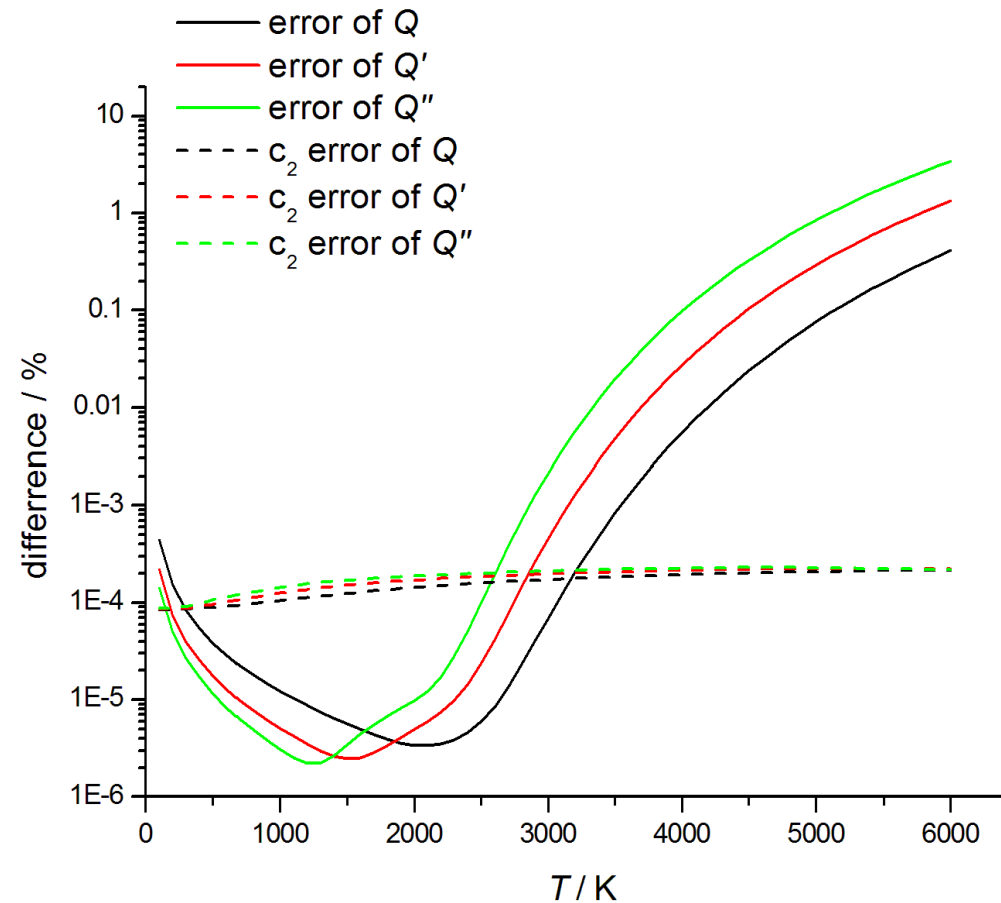
## 3. The effect of unbound states



# Uncertainty of partition functions

## 4. Uncertainty of physical constants

$$c_2 = 1.43877736(83) \text{ cm K}$$



# Revising a CODATA quantity: standard molar enthalpy increment of $\text{H}_2^{16}\text{O}$

- $H^\circ(298.15\text{ K}) - H^\circ(0\text{ K})$  (its other name is integrated heat capacity)
- Official value from CODATA compilation:  **$9.905 \pm 0.005\text{ kJmol}^{-1}$**
- New, MARVEL-based value:  **$9.90404 \pm 0.00001\text{ kJmol}^{-1}$**
- NB: (a) the new quantity is determined by energy levels below  $5000\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ; (b) insensitive to all reasonable changes in energy level uncertainties; and (c) even the first-principles computations provide basically the same value though with higher uncertainty

# Partition functions and resonances

$$Q(T) = Q_B(T) + Q_U(T)$$

$$Q_U(T) = Q_R(T) + Q_F(T)$$

$$Q(T) = \sum_n e^{-\beta E_n} \leftrightarrow \int_0^\infty \rho(E) e^{-\beta E} dE$$

$$\rho_B(E) = \sum_n \delta(E - E_n) \quad \rho_R(E) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_r \frac{\frac{\Gamma_r}{2}}{(E - E_r)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_r^2}{4}}$$

$$Q(T) = \int_0^\infty \rho(E) e^{-\beta E} dE = \sum_n g_n e^{-\beta E_n} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_r g_r \int_{D_e}^\infty \frac{\Gamma_r e^{-\beta E}}{(E - E_r)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_r^2}{4}} dE$$



# Partition functions and resonances

$$\lim_{\gamma_r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\Gamma_r}{2\pi}}{(E - E_r)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_r^2}{4}} = \delta(E - E_r) \longrightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{D_e}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma_r e^{-\beta E}}{(E - E_r)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_r^2}{4}} dE \cong e^{-\beta E_r}$$

$$\rho_U(E) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{d\eta(E)}{dE} \qquad \rho(E) = \rho_B(E) + \rho_U(E)$$

$$Q(T) = \int_0^{\infty} \rho(E) e^{-\beta E} dE = \sum_n g_n e^{-\beta E_n} \\ + \frac{g_{ns}}{\pi} \sum_J (2J+1) \int_{D_e}^{\infty} \frac{d\eta_J(E)}{dE} e^{-\beta E} dE$$

$\eta(E)$  is the scattering phase shift

# Partition functions and resonances

$$\eta_J^{\text{WKB}}(E) = \left(\frac{2\mu}{\hbar^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \int_0^\infty \sqrt{E - V(R) - \frac{\hbar^2 N(N+1)}{2\mu R^2}} dR \right. \\ \left. - \int_0^\infty \sqrt{E - \frac{\hbar^2 N(N+1)}{2\mu R^2}} dR \right] + \frac{\pi}{4} \delta_{0,N},$$

$$Q'(T) = \sum_n g_n \beta E_n e^{-\beta E_n}$$

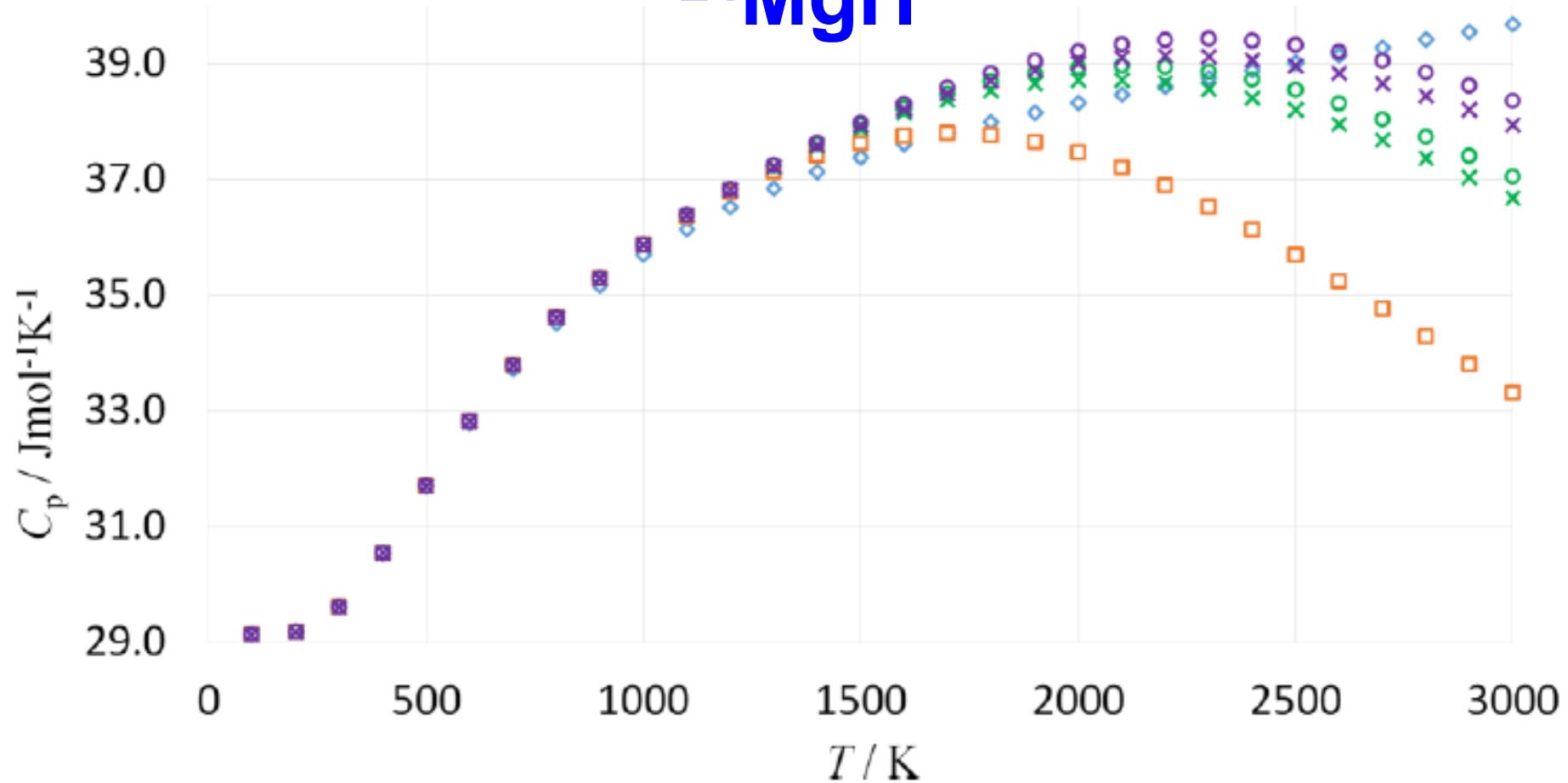
$$+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_r g_r \int_{D_e}^\infty \frac{\Gamma_r \beta E e^{-\beta E}}{(E - E_r)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_r^2}{4}} dE$$

$$Q''(T) = \sum_n g_n (\beta E_n)^2 e^{-\beta E_n}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_r g_r \int_{D_e}^\infty \frac{\Gamma_r (\beta E)^2 e^{-\beta E}}{(E - E_r)^2 + \frac{\Gamma_r^2}{4}} dE$$

$$C_p(T) = R \left( \frac{Q''}{Q} - \frac{Q'}{Q} + \frac{5}{2} \right)$$

# $^{24}\text{MgH}$



blue diamond: NIST-JANAF

orange square: bound only (638)

green circle: bound + sharp res.

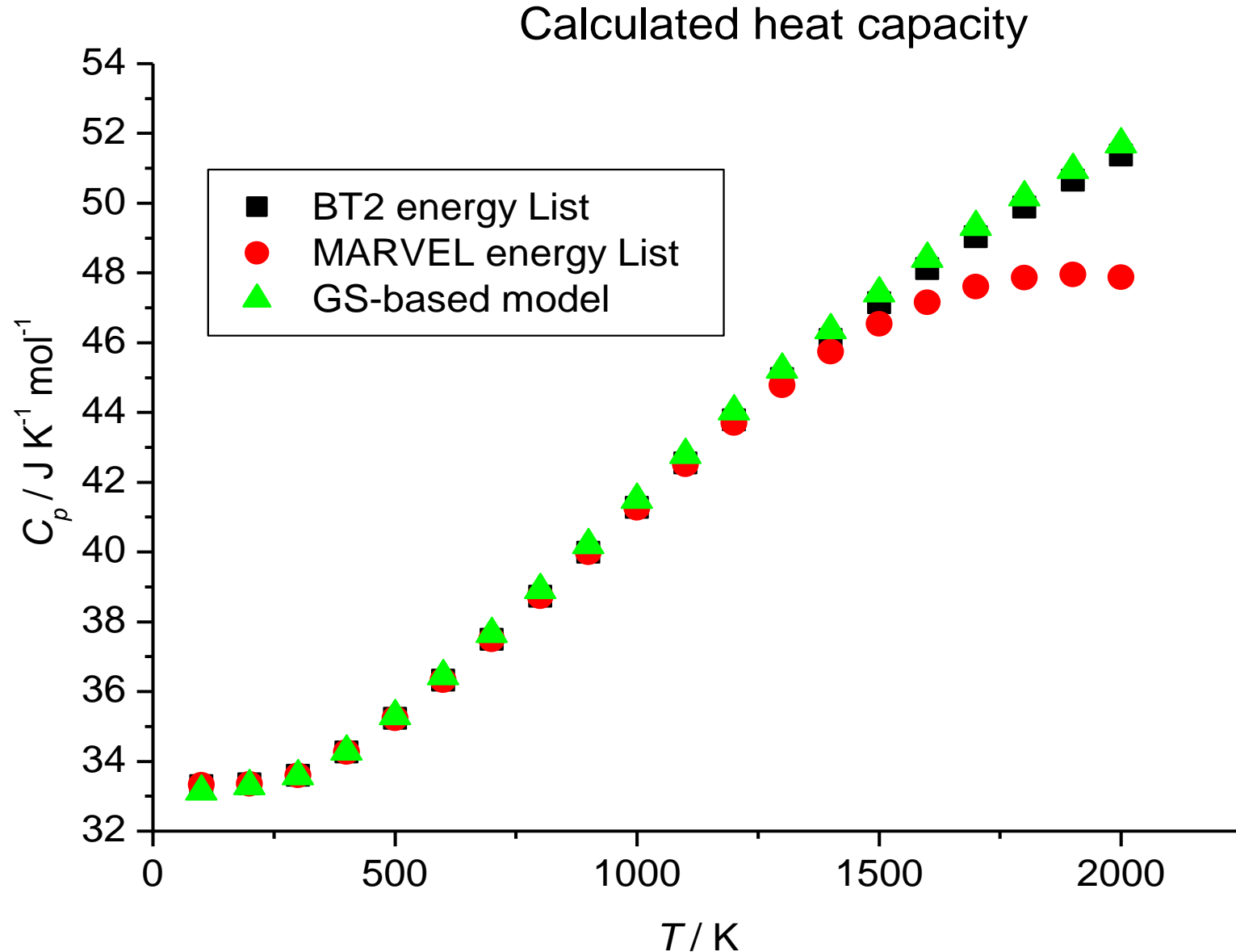
green cross: B + sharp R + int. form

violet circle: B + R + simple sum

violet cross: B + R + integral form

$$D_e = 11,104.7(5) \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ and } E_v = 19,000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

From quantum chemistry to steam tables (IAPWS,  
Int. Association for the Properties of Water and Steam)



# Summary

- It is possible to compute highly accurate thermochemical data up to very high temperatures, well above those needed for combustion modeling, using the focal-point analysis (FPA) approach.
- The weighted linear-least-squares ATcT and NEAT approaches yield the best enthalpies of formation.
- Under nearly ideal circumstances highly accurate thermochemical functions can be computed via the “direct summation” technique.
- Unbound states may play a significant role in the accuracy of high-temperature thermochemical functions, especially  $C_p$ .