

A Combined Gigahertz and Terahertz Synchrotron-based Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopic Investigation of Ortho-D-phenol: Tunneling Switching

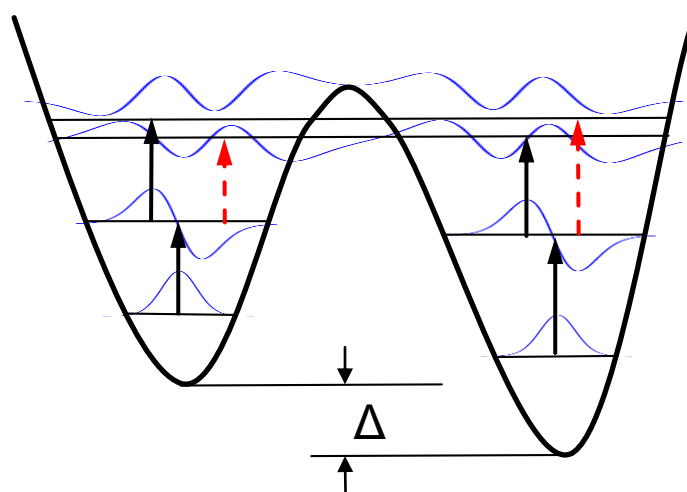
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Tunneling switching in
asymmetric potentials

Tunneling switching seen
in small molecules so far
Here: a large molecule

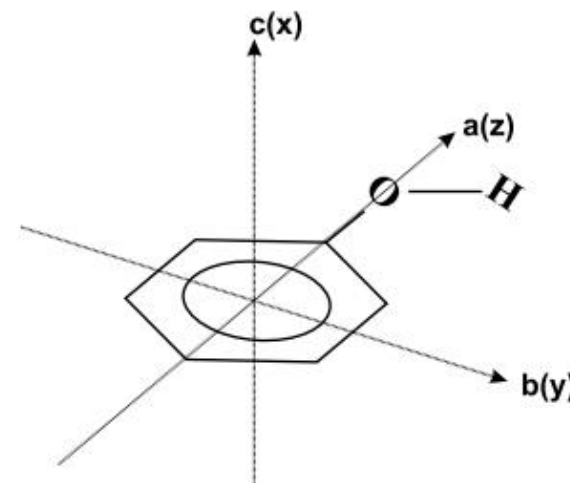
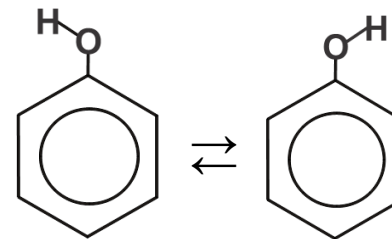
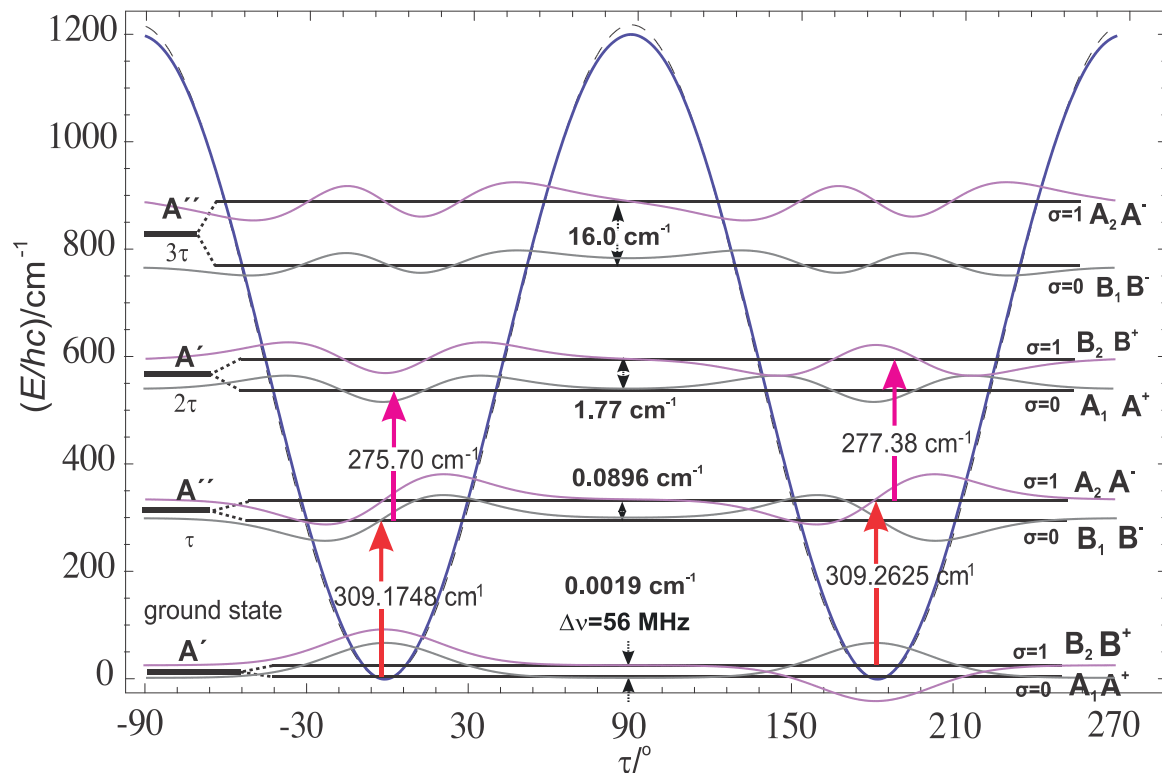


Delocalized wave functions
+ “forbidden transitions”

Localized wave functions
+ “Allowed transitions”

Why? Important for experiments on molecular parity violation, see also talk WG11

-OH torsion in phenol : Tunneling

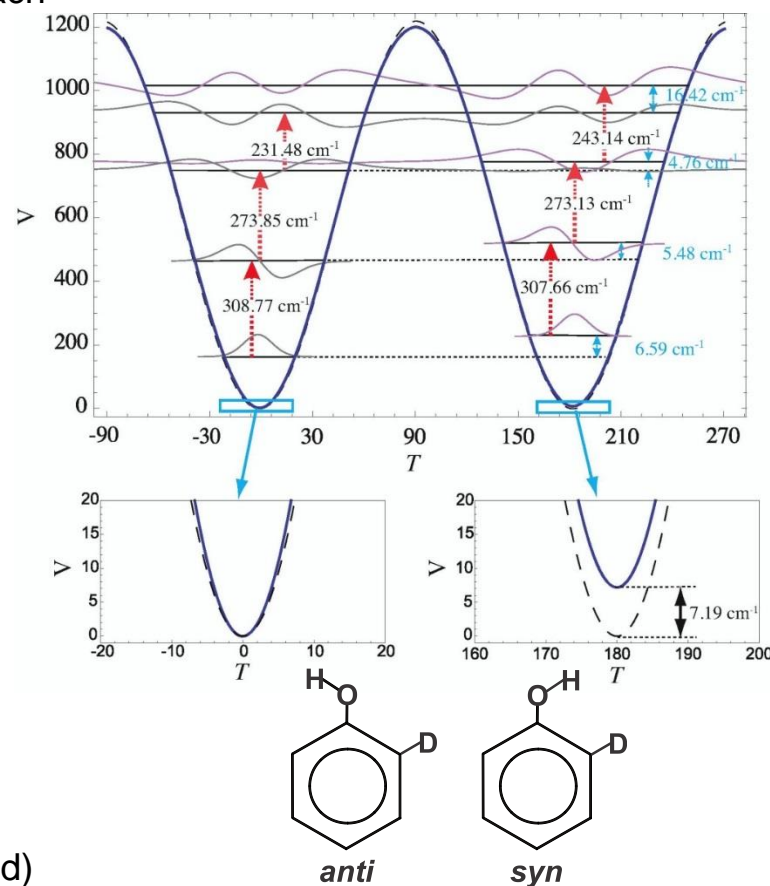
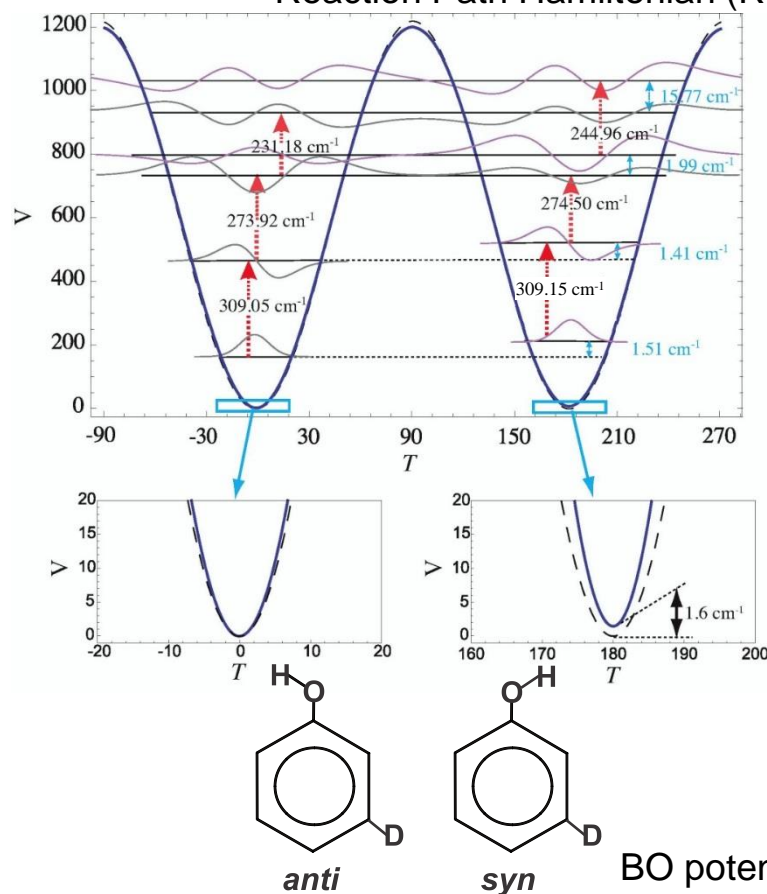


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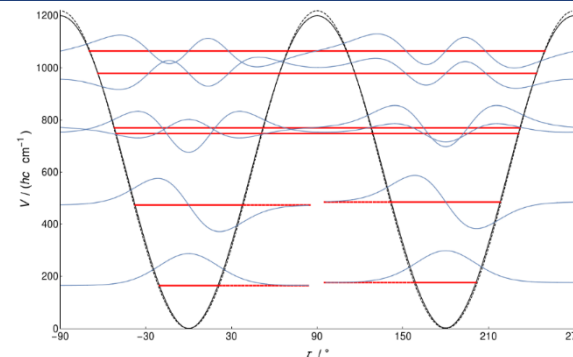
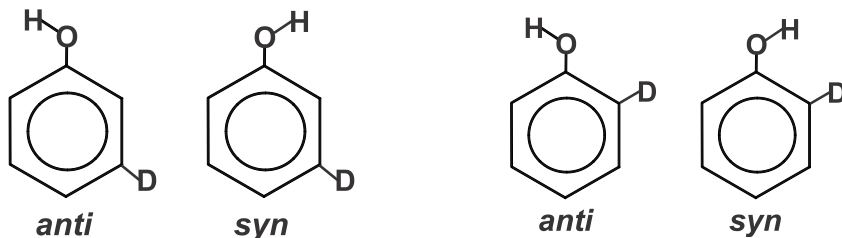
Introduction of an asymmetry in the effective potential (with symmetric Born-Oppenheimer potential) by zero point energy effects

Torsional potential of D-phenol predicted using the Quasiadiabatic Channel Reaction Path Hamiltonian (RPH) approach



BO potential (dashed)
Lowest adiabatic channel potential (bold)

Aims



- To characterize the asymmetry in the effective –OH torsional potential energy function of D-phenols.
- Rotational and vibrational levels to be probed through high resolution GHz and THz spectra.
- Important goal is to observe and understand the tunneling switching dynamics in the higher excited states as prototypical case also for asymmetry due to parity violation in chiral molecules.

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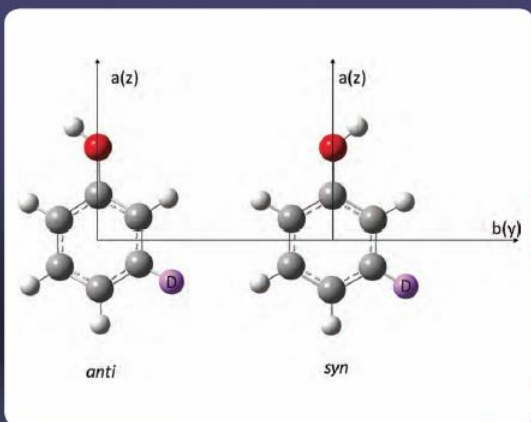
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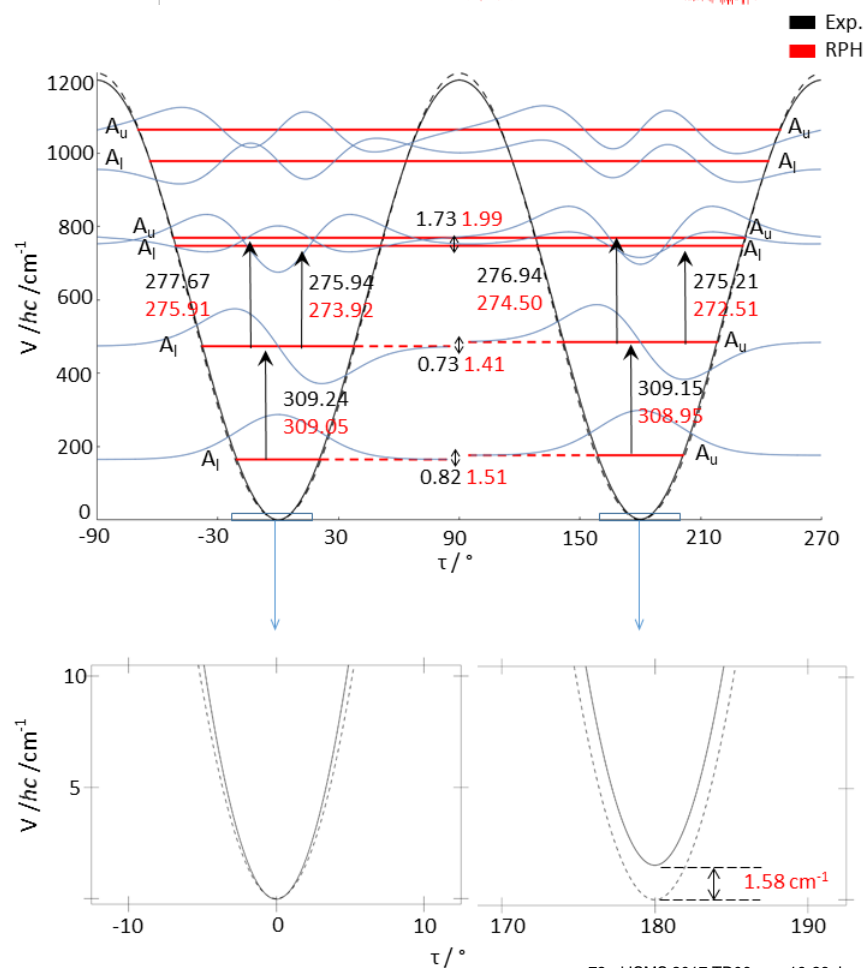
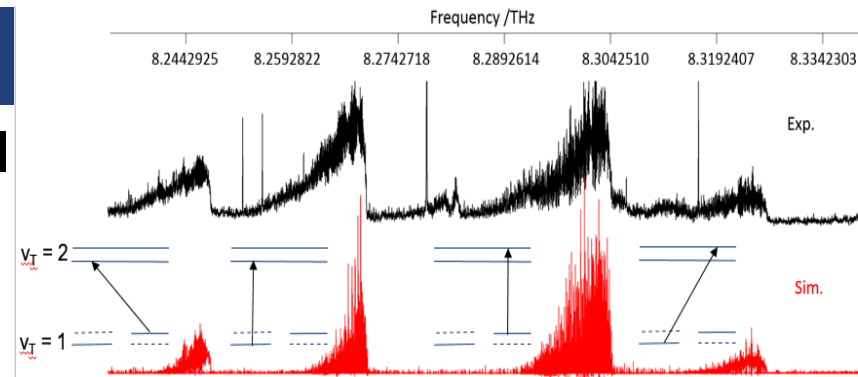
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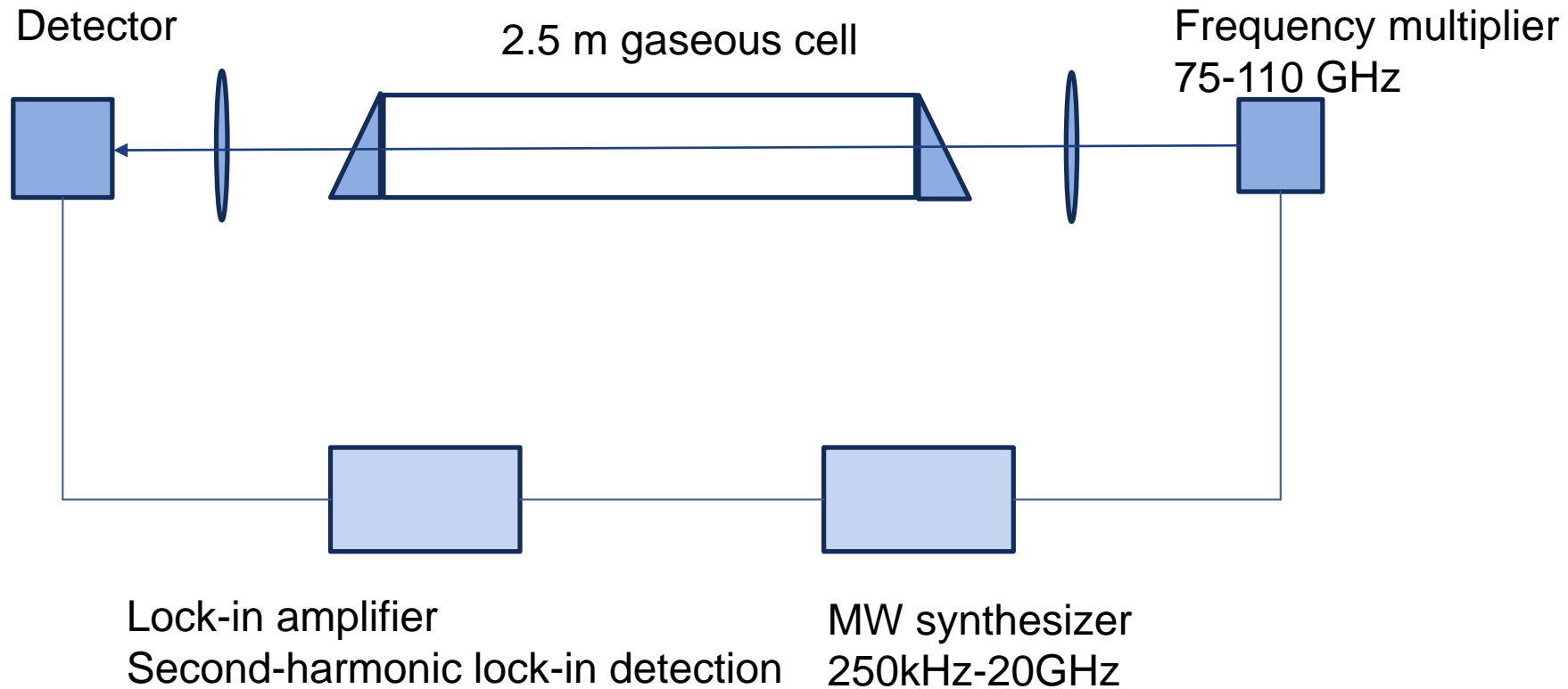
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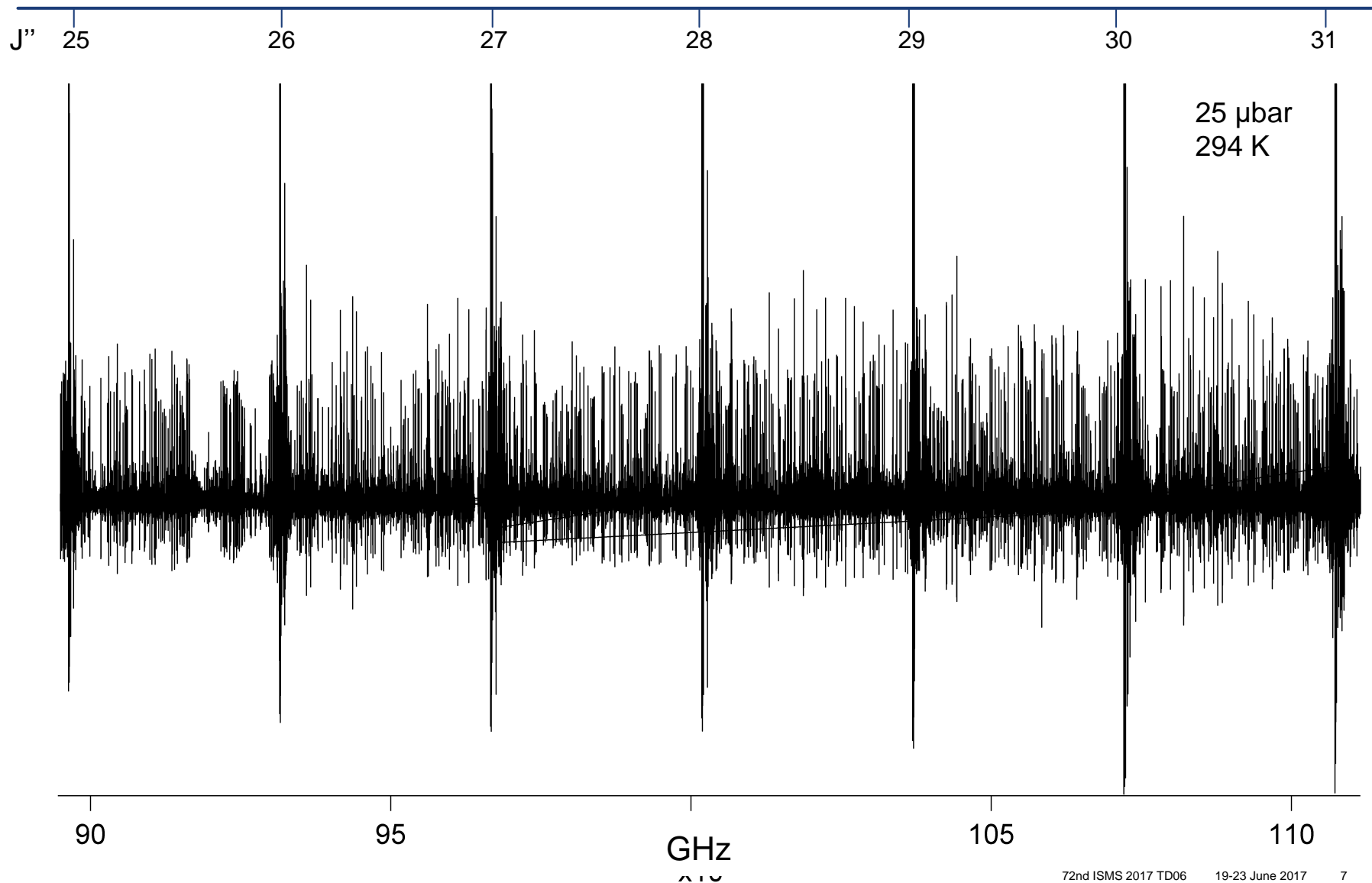
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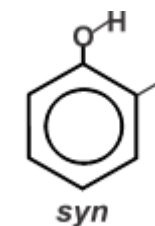
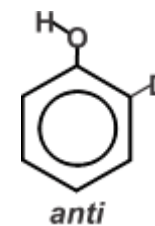
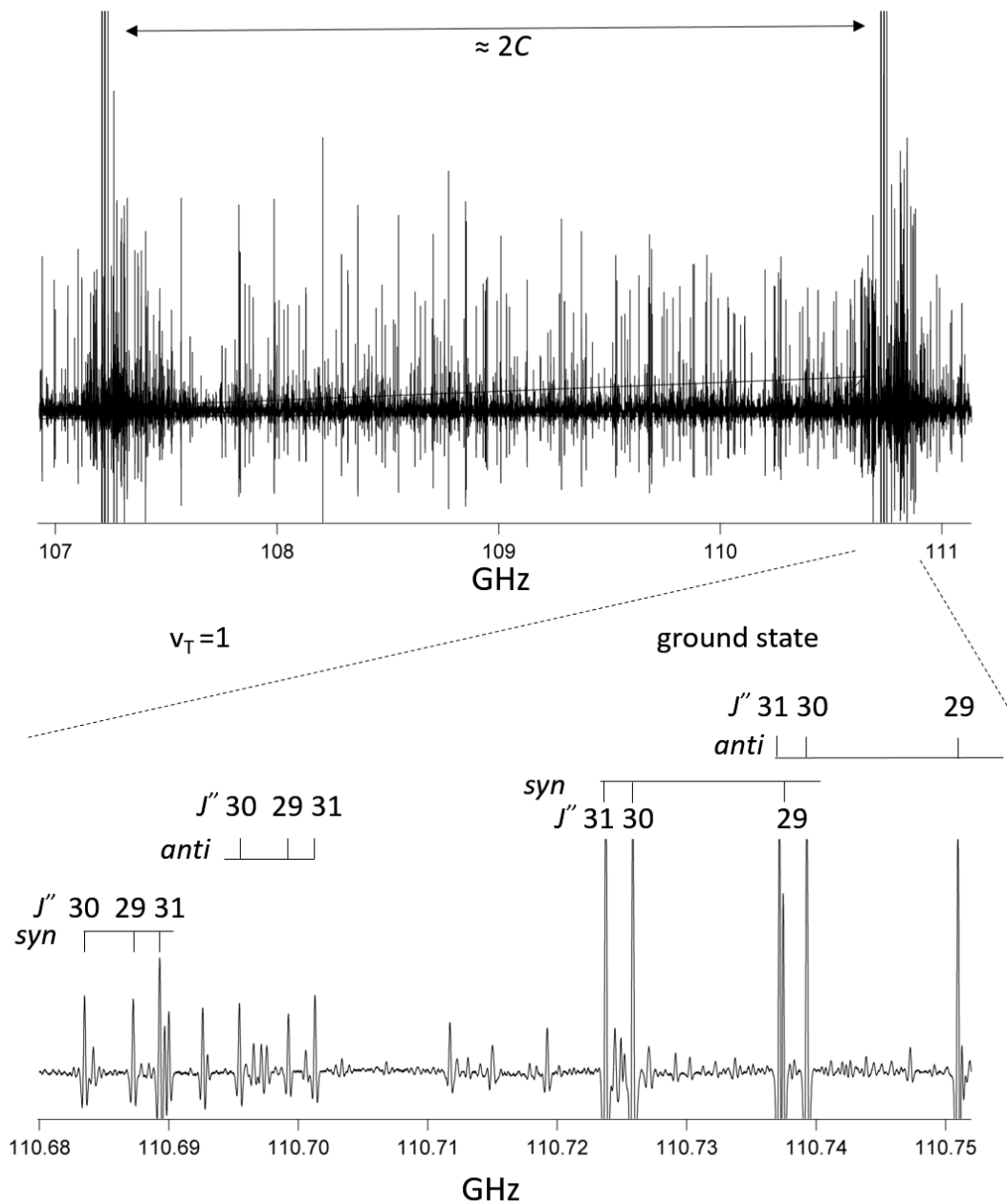


GHz setup at ETH Zürich



Overview spectra: 90-110 GHz





FWHM \approx 200 kHz

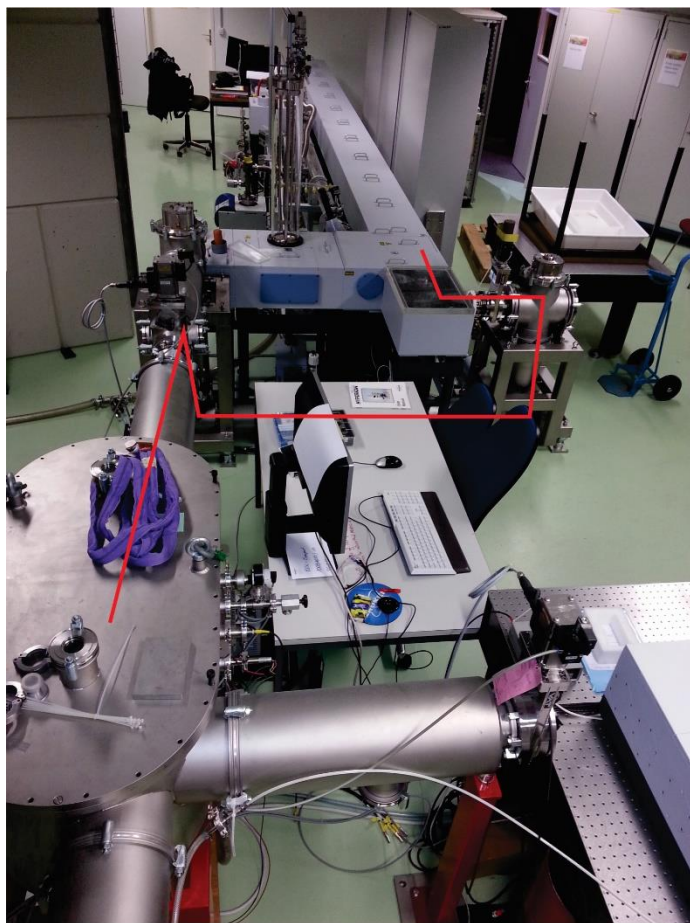
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Watson's A-reduction, I' -representation

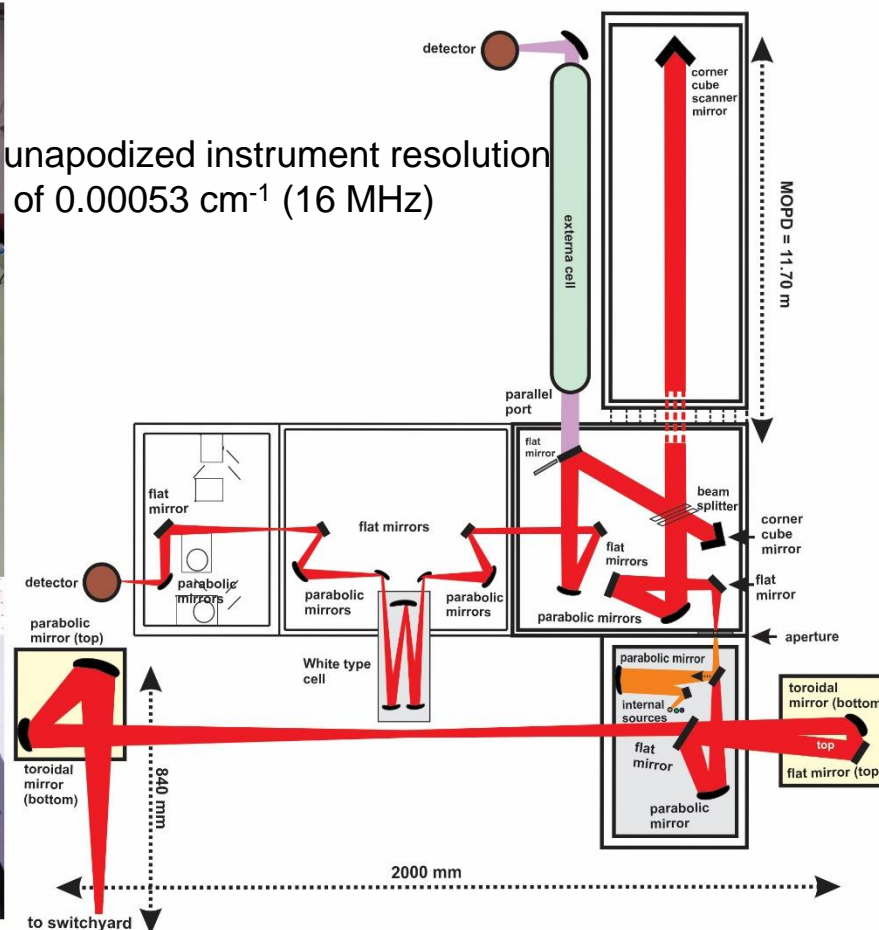
	$\nu=0$	<i>Anti</i> $\nu_T=1$ (308.36 cm ⁻¹)	$\nu=0$	<i>Syn</i> $\nu_T=1$ (307.94 cm ⁻¹)
Rotational constants / MHz				
A	5379.92505(12)	5379.029(22)	5375.84938(12)	5375.190(43)
B	2610.460600(81)	2605.6888(39)	2610.941439(84)	2606.1770(66)
C	1757.819470(81)	1757.31360(53)	1757.606533(86)	1757.12376(63)
Centrifugal distortion constants / kHz				
Δ_J	0.129920(56)	0.13010(31)	0.129881(60)	0.13032(36)
Δ_K	0.72780(26)	0.540(45)	0.72703(27)	0.39(13)
Δ_{JK}	0.18579(10)	0.18579 ¹	0.18435(10)	0.39(13)
δ_j	0.043637(15)	0.043637	0.043643(16)	0.043643
δ_k	0.33381(12)	0.33381	0.33291(13)	0.33291
d_{rms} / kHz	13.08	22.74	13.52	25.88
No. of transitions	487	71	490	66

¹Values without parenthesis held fixed to the respective values of the $\nu = 0$.

Synchrotron-based high resolution FTIR setup at the Swiss Light Source



unapodized instrument resolution
of 0.00053 cm^{-1} (16 MHz)



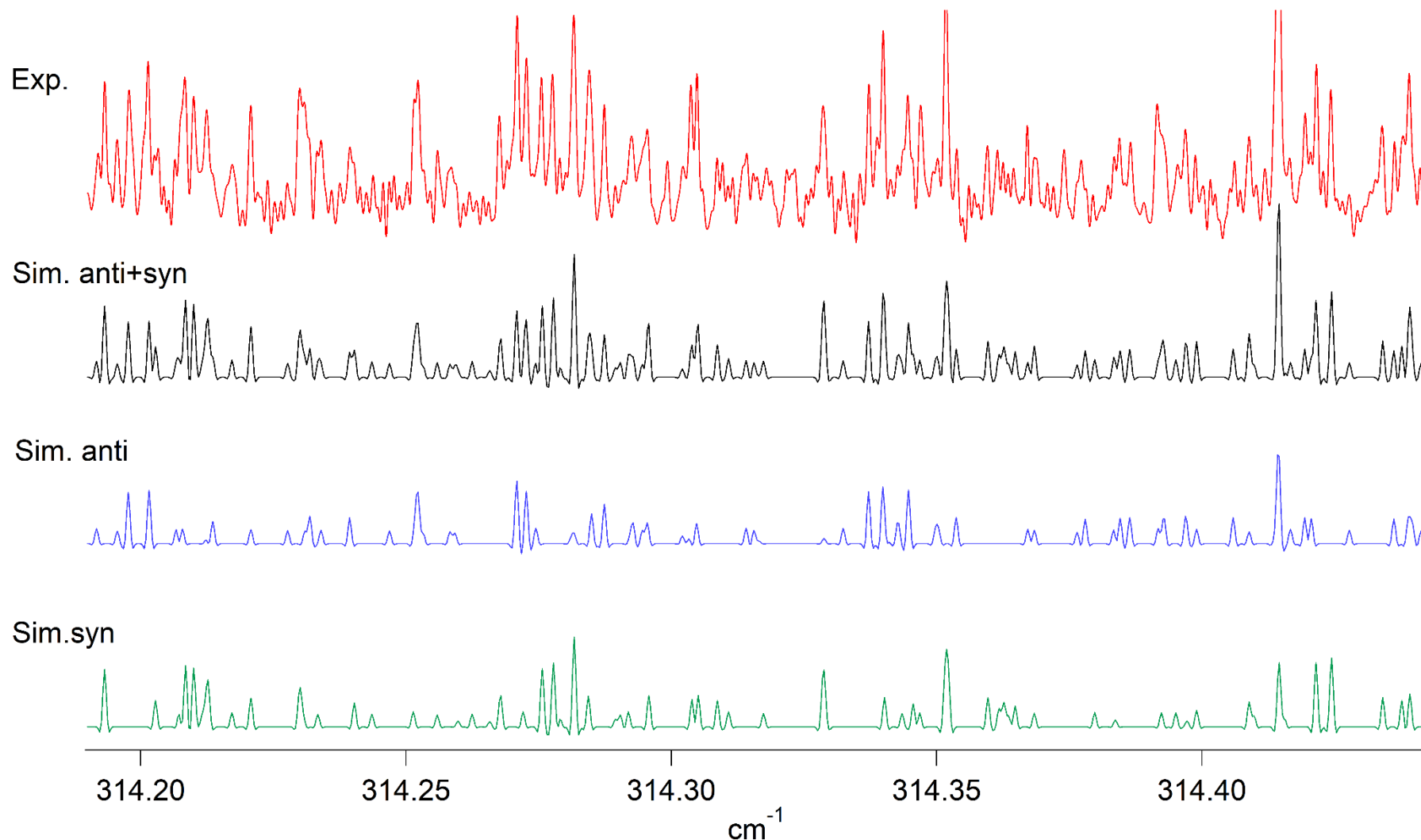
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Torsional fundamental



~8000 transitions assigned

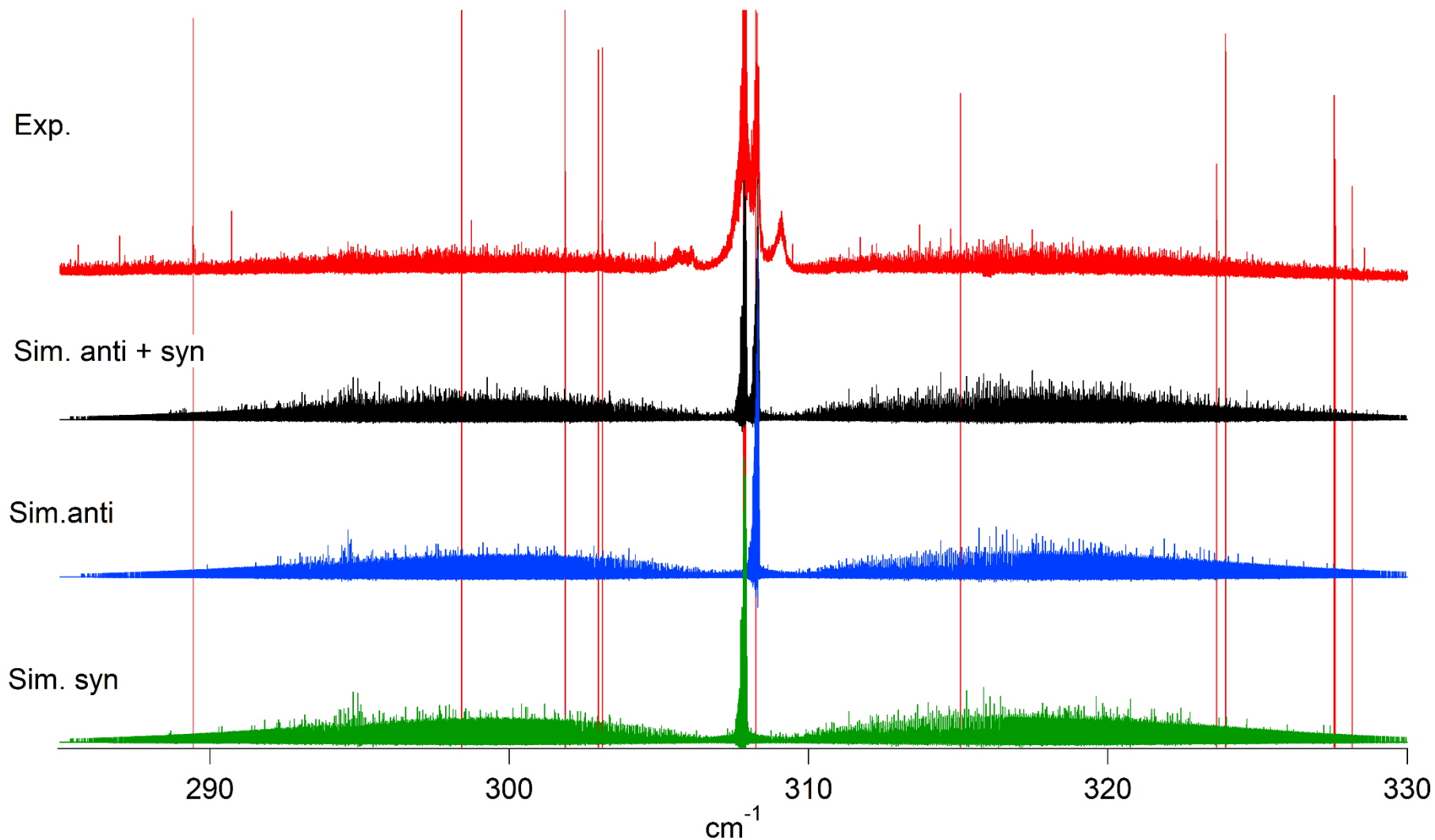
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Watson's A-reduction, I -representation

	$v=0$	<i>Anti</i> $v_T=1$ (308.3589500(53) cm^{-1})	$v=0$	<i>Syn</i> $v_T=1$ (307.9413400(67) cm^{-1})
Rotational constants / cm^{-1}				
A	0.17945460(23)	0.179411200(13)	0.17931970(19)	0.179285160(17)
B	0.08707520(26)	0.086919550(21)	0.08709140(24)	0.086935940(26)
C	0.05863470(43)	0.058617930(25)	0.05862700(49)	0.058611300(31)
Centrifugal distortion constants / 10^{-6} cm^{-1}				
Δ_J	0.00430(17)	0.0043400(72)	0.00400(24)	0.004050(10)
Δ_K	0.02430(32)	0.024300(25)	0.02400(53)	0.023800(38)
Δ_{JK}	0.00600(49)	0.005800(31)	0.00700(77)	0.006900(46)
δ_j	-0.001300(96)	-0.0012700(57)	-0.00140(13)	-0.0014100(78)
δ_k	-0.01200(59)	-0.012500(69)	-0.0140(13)	-0.01330(10)
d_{rms} / kHz	0.000137	0.000087	0.000127	0.000087
No. of transitions	1234(Ground state comb. diff.)	7379 (<i>Anti</i> + <i>Syn</i>)	1275(Ground state comb. diff.)	7379 (<i>Anti</i> + <i>Syn</i>)

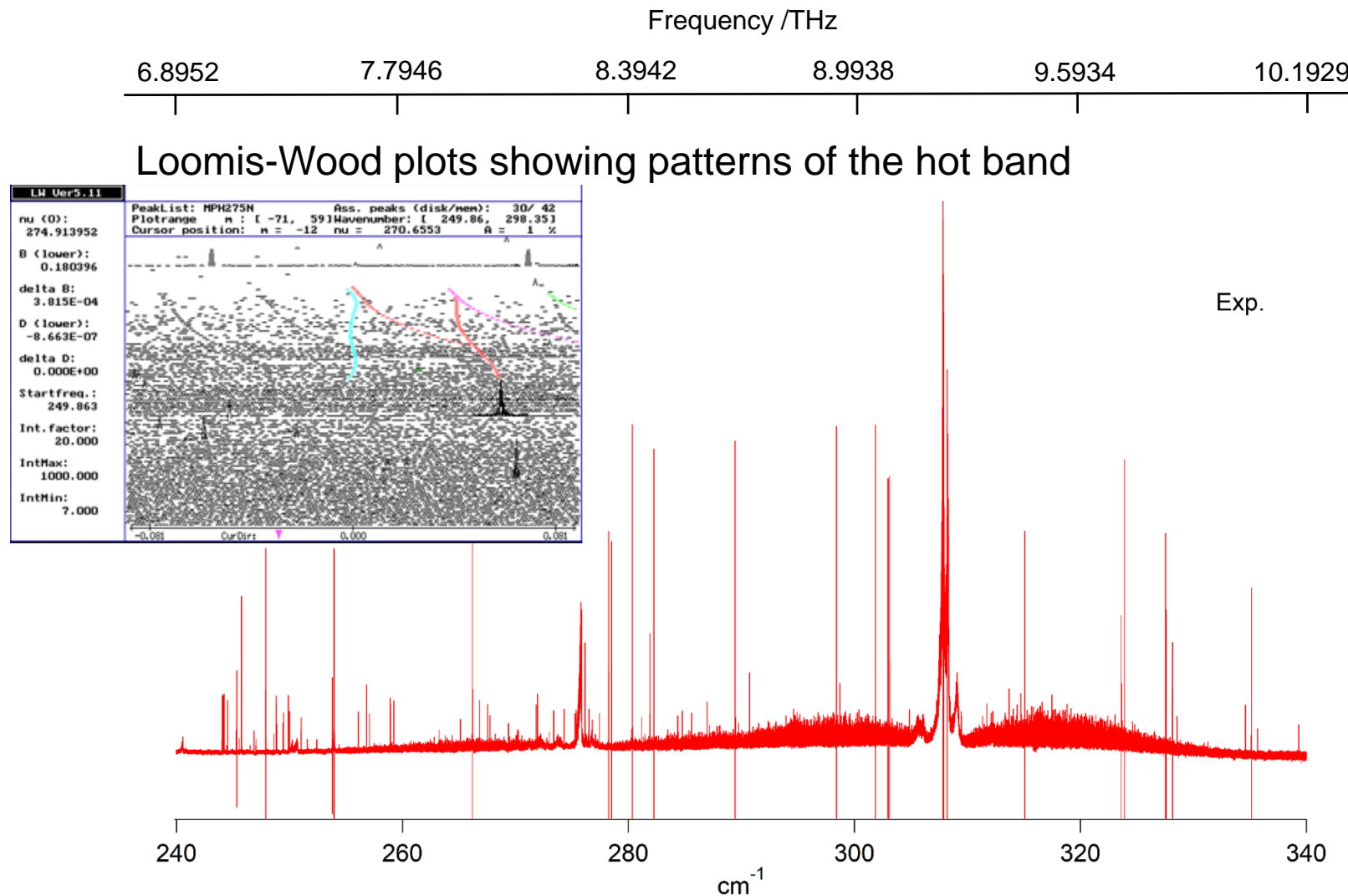
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Torsional fundamental



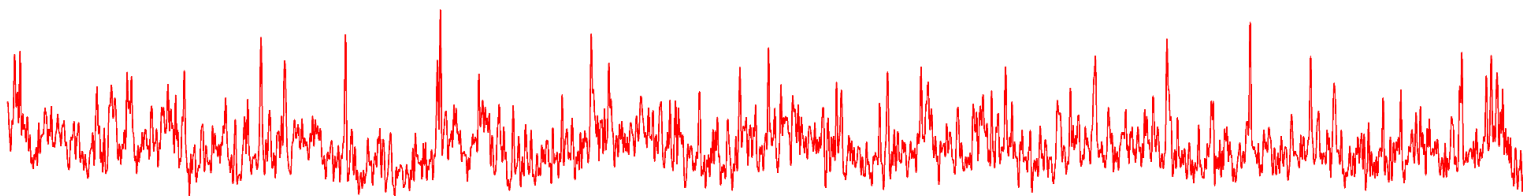
No signs of perturbations

Overview spectra: 240-340 cm^{-1} (7.195-10.193 THz)

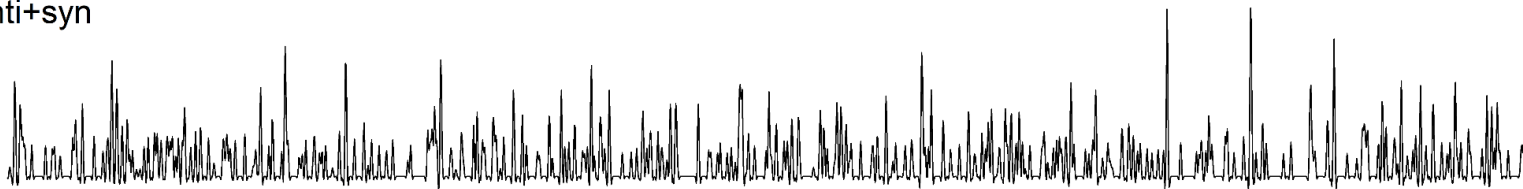


First torsional hot band

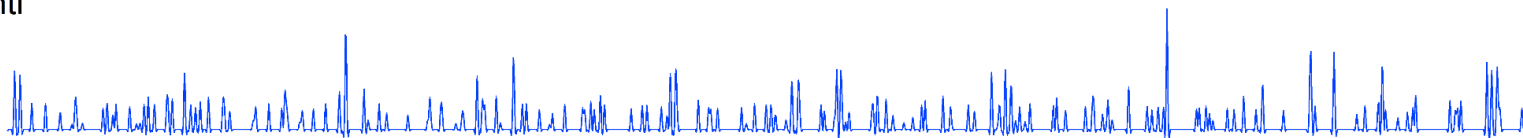
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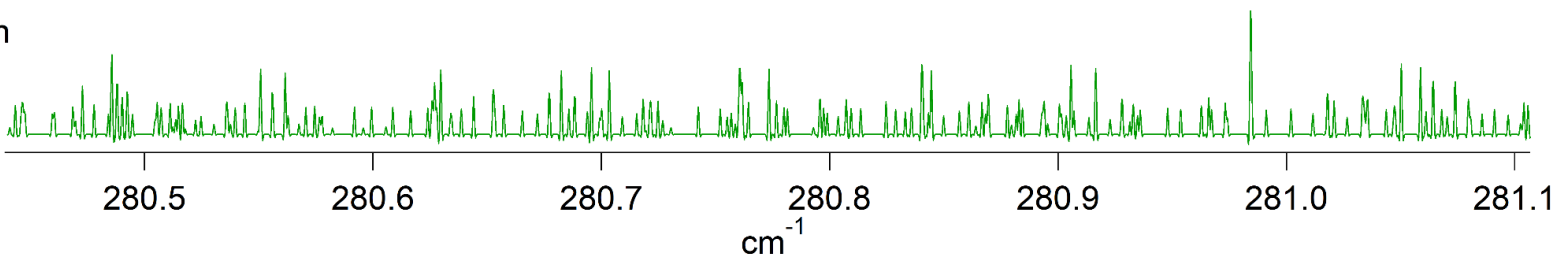
Sim. anti+syn



Sim. anti

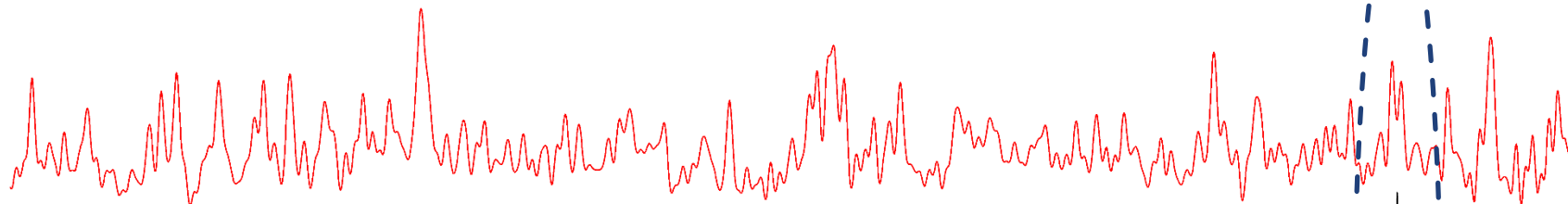


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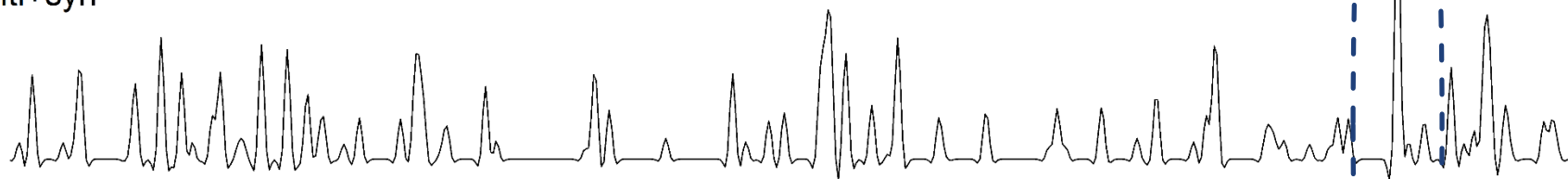


First torsional hot band: Perturbation

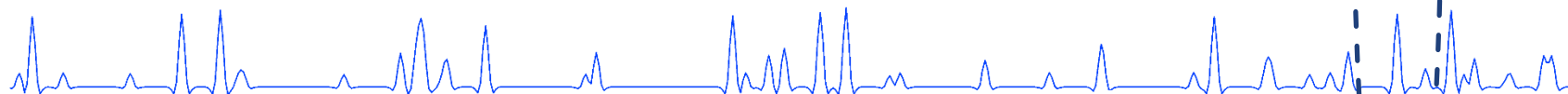
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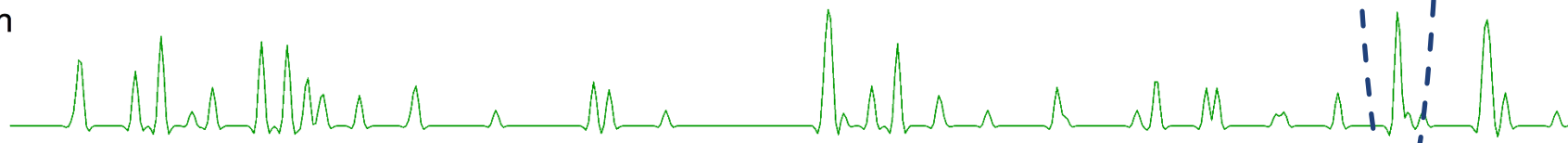
Sim. anti+syn



Sim. anti



Sim. syn



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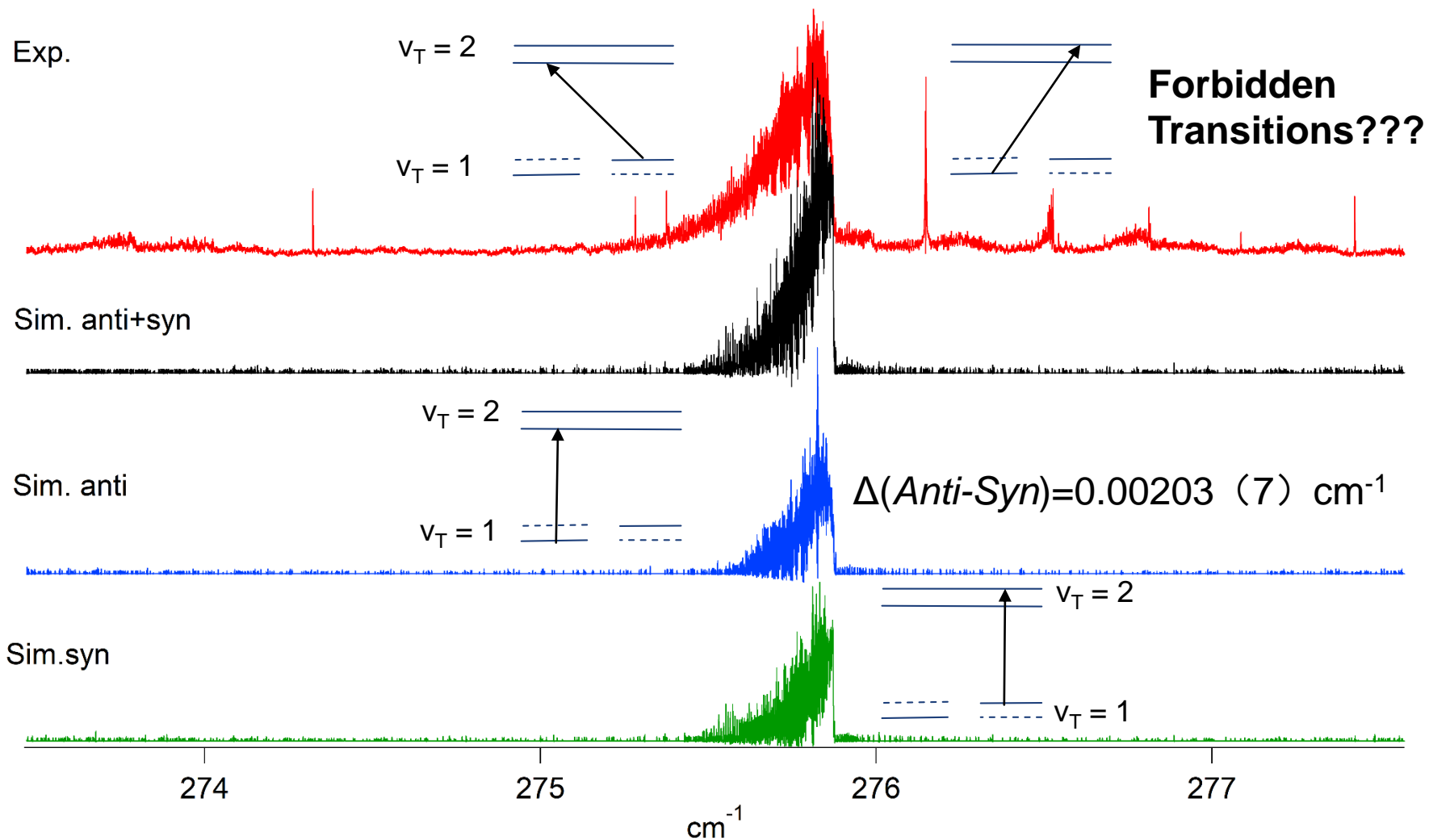
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cm⁻¹

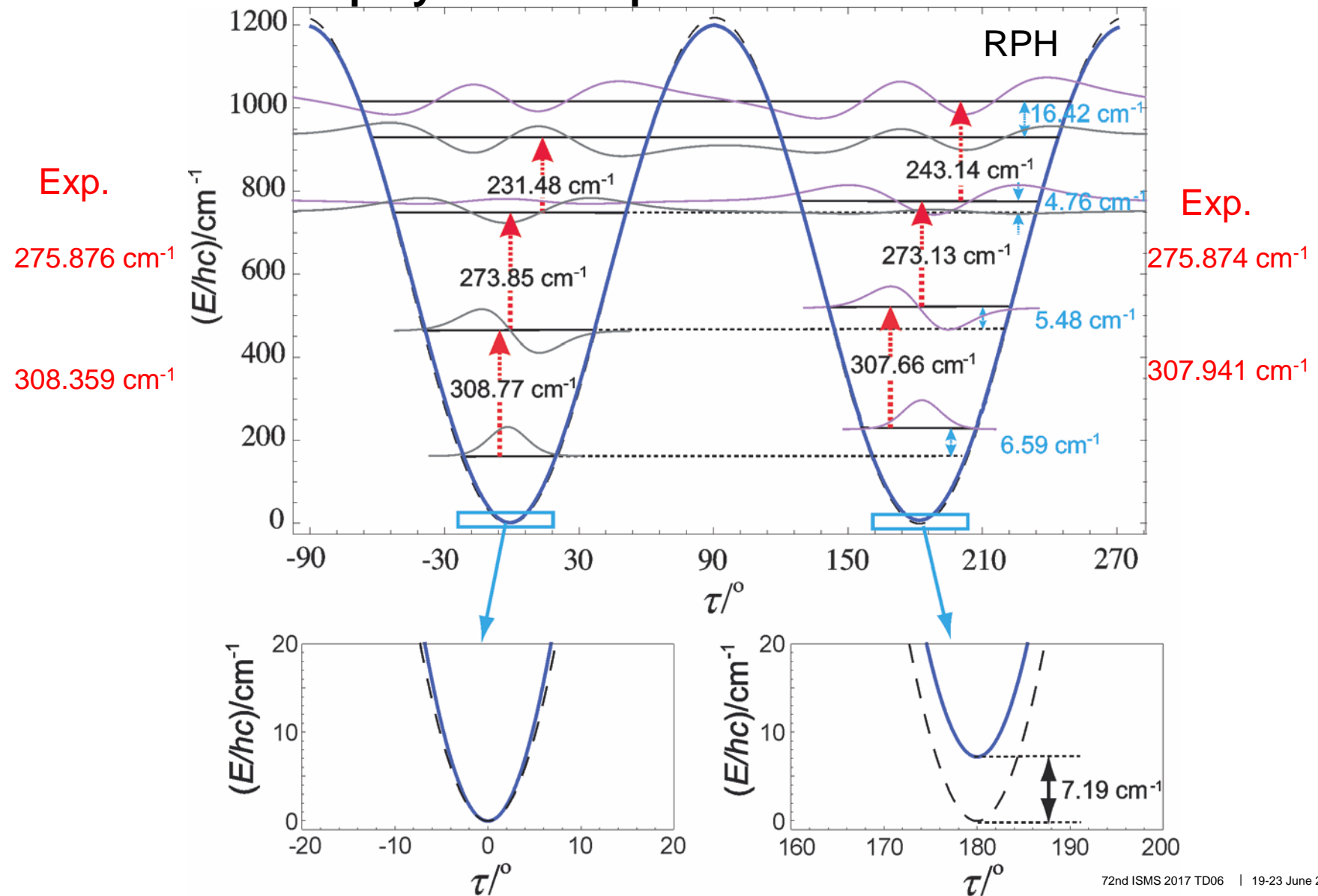
Spectroscopic parameters of the second excited torsional state of m-D-Phenol

Band origin	<i>Anti</i>		<i>Syn</i>	
	$v_T=1$	$v_T=2$	$v_T=1$	$v_T=2$
Band origin		275.876420(37)		275.874390(28)
Rotational constants / cm^{-1}				
A	0.17941150(14)	0.17946720(14)	0.17928470(16)	0.179145000(95)
B	0.08691930(16)	0.08677500(22)	0.08693600(19)	0.08678980(45)
C	0.05861700(38)	0.05860580(30)	0.05861100(43)	0.05861290(72)
Centrifugal distortion constants / 10^{-6} cm^{-1}				
Δ_J	0.00420(12)	0.00420 ¹	0.00430(15)	0.00670(17)
Δ_K	0.02430(25)	0.04350(18)	0.02430(31)	0.00590(28)
Δ_{JK}	0.00600(38)	0.00250(19)	0.00600(46)	0.00400(43)
δ_j	-0.001300(60)	-0.001300	-0.001400(73)	-0.001400
δ_k	-0.01200(42)	-0.01200	-0.01300(53)	-0.01300
$d_{\text{rms}} / \text{cm}^{-1}$	0.000119	0.000297	0.000113	0.000297
No. of transitions	1686 (Upper state comb. diff. from the fundamental)	2132 (<i>Anti+Syn</i>)	1245 (Upper state comb. diff. from the fundamental)	2132 (<i>Anti+Syn</i>)

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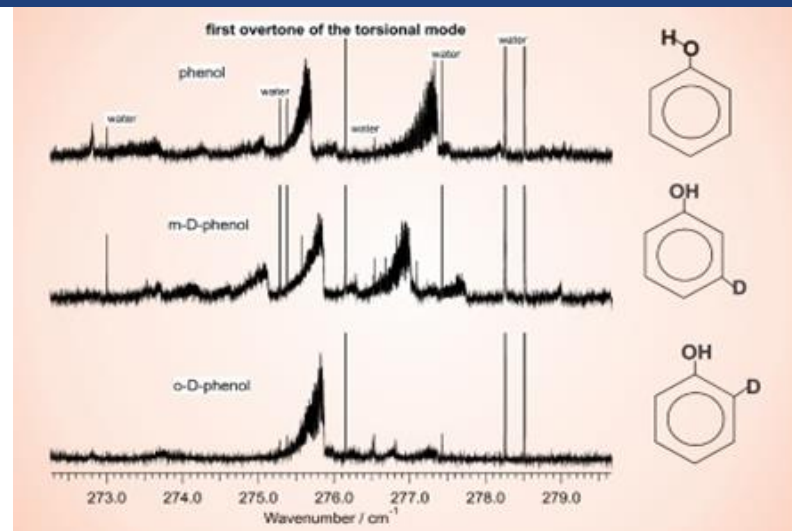


The torsional polyad in o-D-phenol



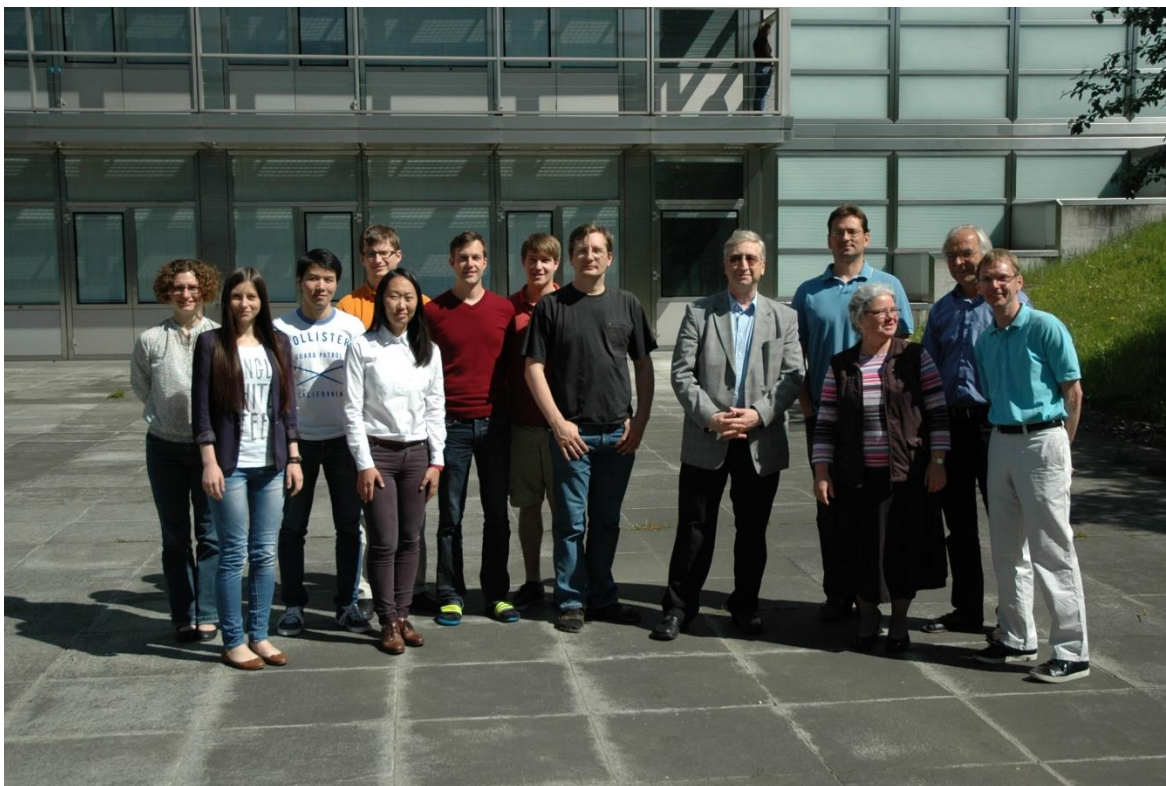
Summary

- We have investigated the –OH torsion of phenols using high resolution spectroscopy
- The assignment of pure rotational and rovibrational spectra led to the accurate determination of vibrational levels of the torsion polyads and assignment of the two isomers
- Particularly, tunneling-switching has been proven and analyzed in m-D-phenol by the observation of “forbidden” transitions and resonances involving upper states but for o-D-phenol only preliminary evidence could be obtained so far for this effect .
- The effective spectroscopic Hamiltonian parameters provided here can be used to improve effective potentials for this prototypical system

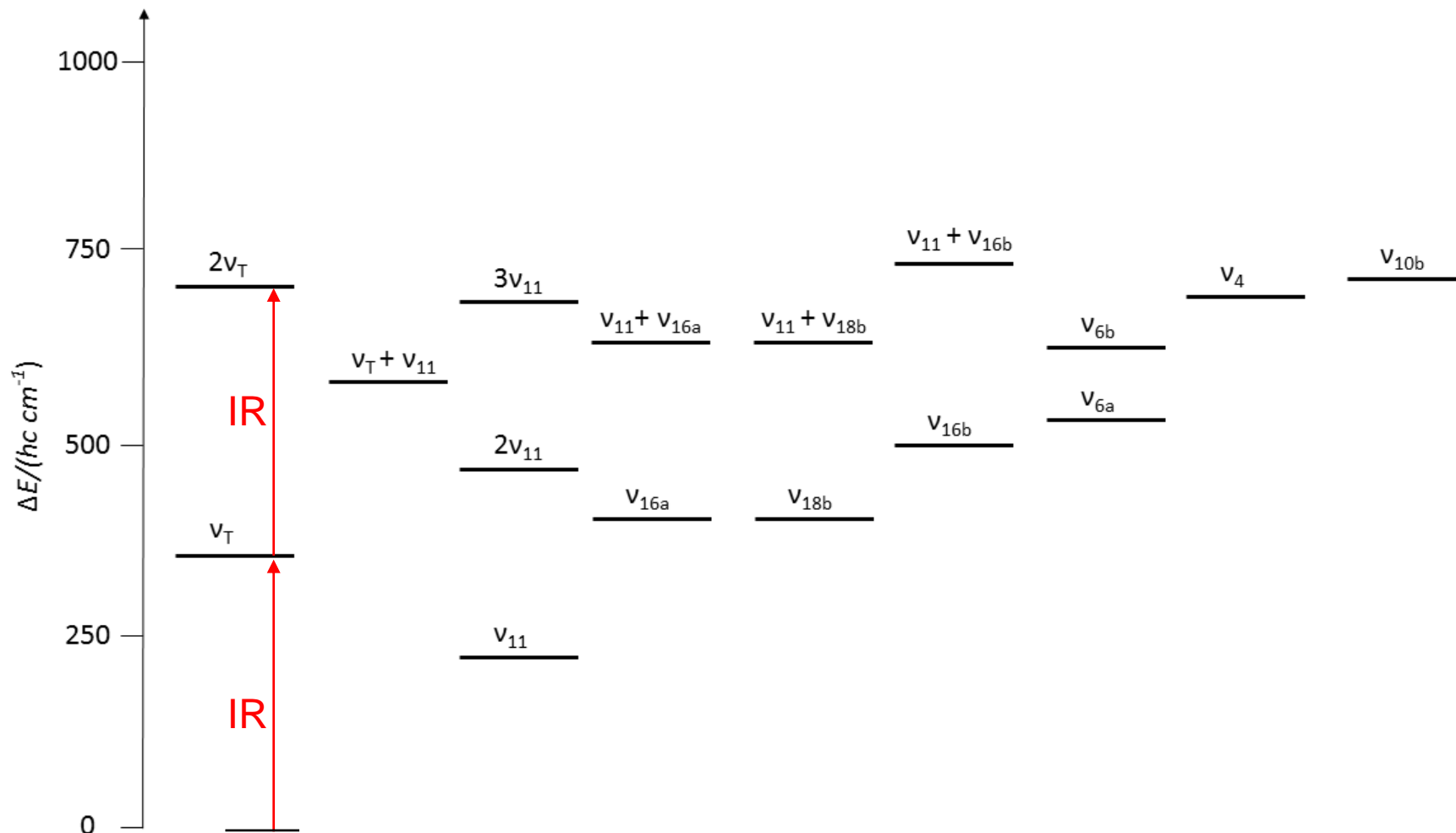


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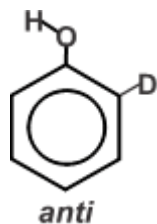


All low energy levels in o-D-phenol

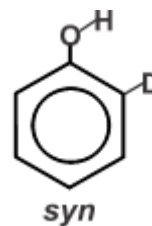


harmonic frequencies calculated at B3LYP/cc-pVTZ level

Assignment of the -*syn* and -*anti* structures



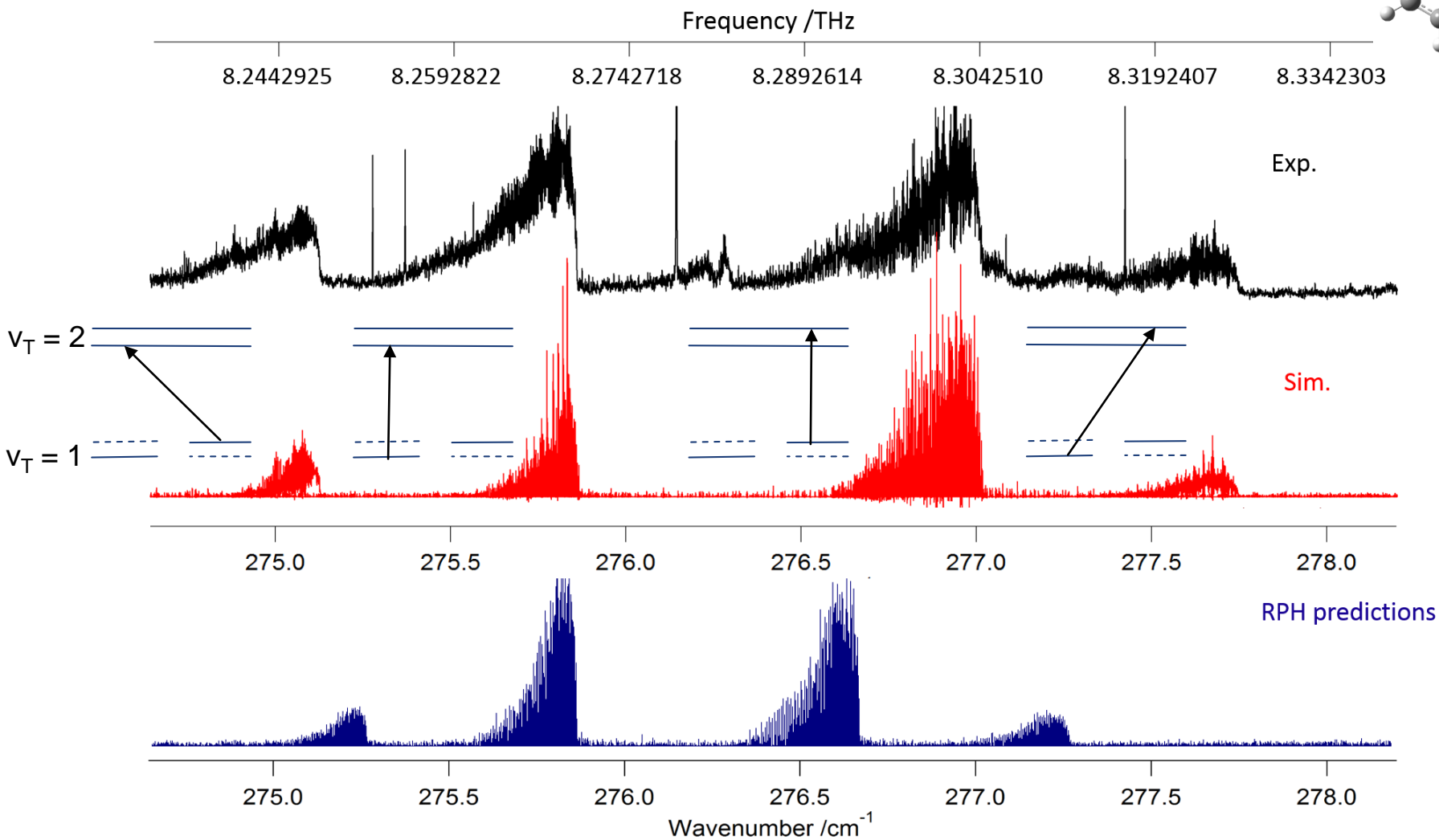
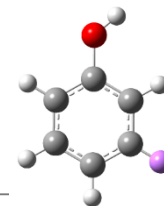
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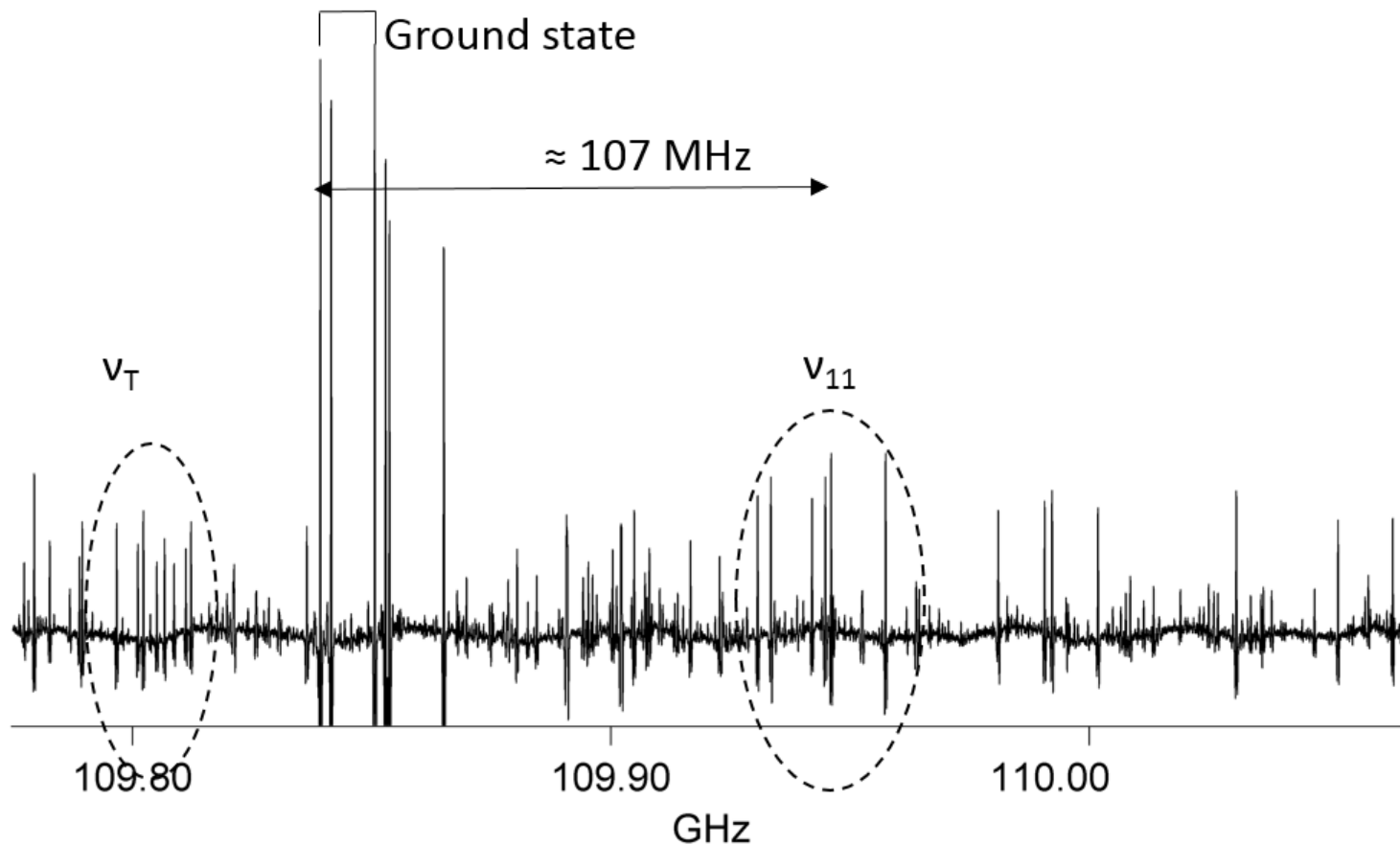
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	Exp.	Calc.(RPH)	Exp.	Calc.(RPH)
ΔA / (MHz)	4.08	3.95	3.84	4.38
ΔB	-0.48	-0.58	-0.49	-0.54
ΔC	0.21	0.22	0.19	0.21

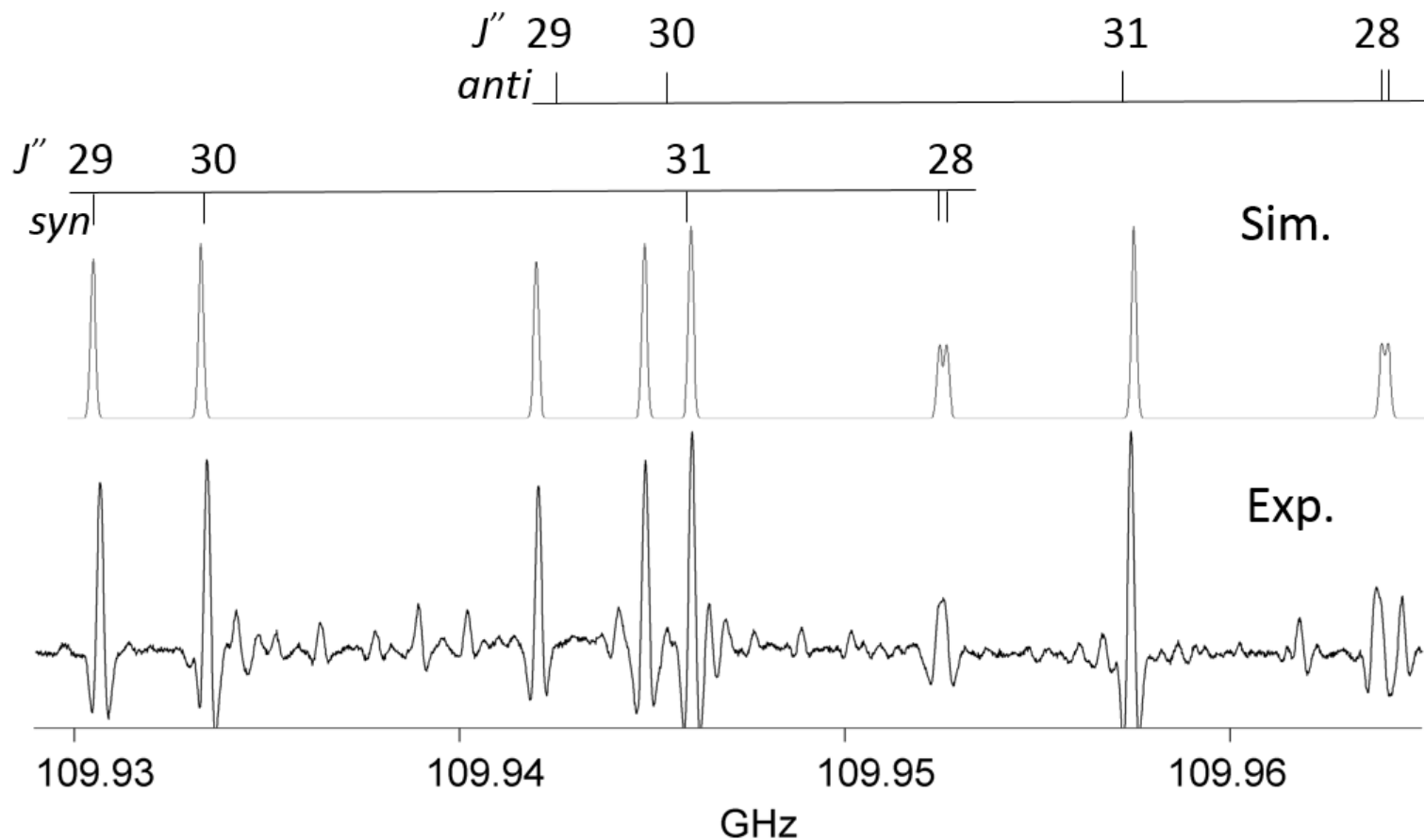
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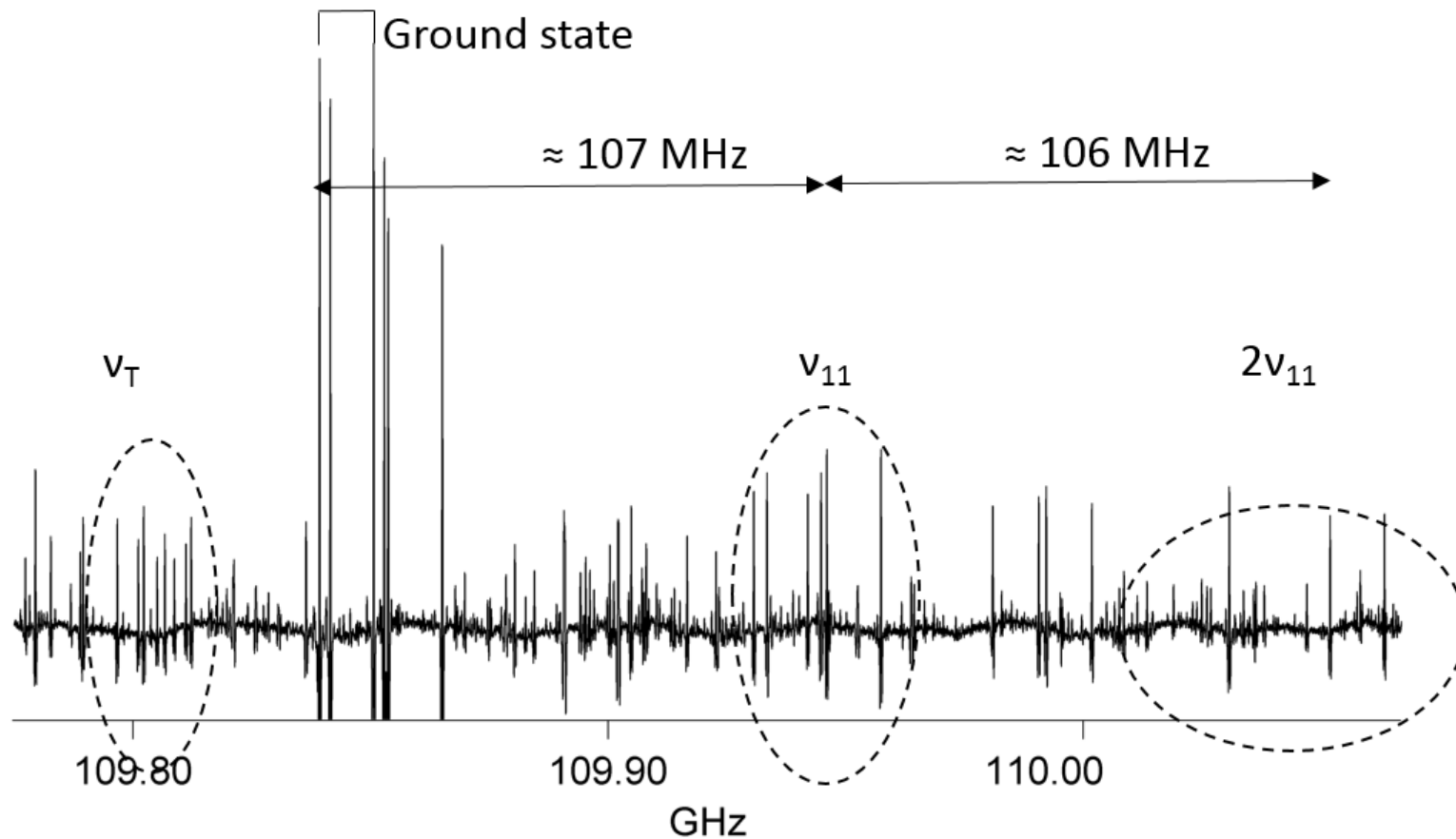
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