

* Vibration - Rotation Spectra of a diatomic molecule :-

According to Born-Oppenheimer approximation the molecule may be considered to execute rotations and vibration motions quite independently of each other. This follows from the fact that the vibration is much larger than the rotation energy. The total energy of the molecule executing the vibration and rotation motion may be taken as the sum of the separate energies.
i.e.

$$E = E_{rot} + E_{vib} \text{ (Joules)}$$

$$E = E_{rot} + E_{vib} \text{ (cm}^{-1}\text{)}$$

Now putting the value of E_{rot} and E_{vib} in the above expression we get -

$$E = B J(J+1) - DJ^2 (J+1)^2 + HJ^3 (J+1)^3 + \dots \\ + (v + \frac{1}{2}) \omega_e - x_e (v + \frac{1}{2})^2 \omega_e \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

The centrifugation from centrifugal dissociation constant may be assumed to be negligible through molecule is not rigid so

$$E = B J(J+1) + (v + \frac{1}{2}) \omega_e - x_e (v + \frac{1}{2})^2 \omega_e \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Since, the rotational constant 'B' is taken the same for all J & v values.

[Born-Oppenheimer approximation consequence]

So, the separation between all J levels for v=0 level will be the same.

* Selection rules for Rotation-Vibration transitions:—

A molecule on absorbing the radiation corresponding to the vibrational excitation may simultaneously be accompanied by the change in the rotational level. The spectrum exhibiting such transition is known as Vibration-Rotation spectrum. The selection rules for such transitions are the same as those for each separately. Thus —

$$\Delta v = \pm 1, \pm 2, \text{ etc.}$$

$$\Delta J = \pm 1.$$

Since, $\Delta J \neq 0$ not allowed. It follows that a vibrational change will always be accompanied by a simultaneous rotational change. However Δv may have zero value. But this correspond to the purely rotational transitions.

* Expression of Vibrational-Rotational Energies:—

An analytical expression for the spectrum may be obtained by applying the selection rules i.e. $\Delta v = \pm 1, \pm 2$ & $\Delta J = \pm 1$ to the energy levels expression. — (1)

Let us consider the transition

$$v = 0 \rightarrow v = 1$$

$$\Delta E_{J,v} = E_{J',v=1} - E_{J'',v=0}$$

$$\Delta E_{J,v} = \left\{ B J' (J'+1) + \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \omega_e - x_e \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \omega_e - \left[B J'' (J''+1) + \left(0 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \omega_e - x_e \left(0 + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \omega_e \right] \right\}$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B J'(J'+1) + \frac{3}{2} \omega_e - \frac{9}{4} x_e \omega_e - \left\{ B J''(J''+1) + \frac{1}{2} \omega_e - \frac{1}{4} x_e \omega_e \right\}$$

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$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B J'(J'+1) - B J''(J''+1) + \frac{3}{2} \omega_e - \frac{1}{2} \omega_e - \frac{9}{4} x_e \omega_e + \frac{1}{4} x_e \omega_e$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B J'(J'+1) - B J''(J''+1) + \omega_e - 2 \omega_e x_e$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B J'(J'+1) - B J''(J''+1) + \omega_e (1 - 2x_e)$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B J'(J'+1) - B J''(J''+1) + \omega_0$$

$$[\text{where } \omega_0 = \omega_e (1 - 2x_e)]$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B \{ J'^2 + J' - J''^2 - J'' \} + \omega_0$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B \{ J'^2 - J' J'' + J' J'' - J''^2 + J' - J'' \} + \omega_0$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B \{ J'(J' - J'') + J''(J' - J'') + (J' - J'') \} + \omega_0$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = B (J' - J'') (J' + J'' + 1) + \omega_0$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 + B (J' - J'') (J' + J'' + 1)$$

Now we have —

(1). $\Delta J = \pm 1$ If $\Delta J = +1$ then —

$$J' = J'' + 1$$

$$\text{or } J' - J'' = 1$$

Hence, $\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 + B(1)(J' + J'')$ Since, $(J' = J'' + 1)$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 + 2B J'$$

Hence, $\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 + B(2J'' + 2)$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 + 2B(J'' + 1) \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

where, $J'' = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

(2). $\Delta J = +1$ or $\Delta J = -1$ then -

$$J'' = J' + 1$$

~~$J'' = J' + 1$~~ or $J' - J'' = -1$

Hence,

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 + B(-1)(J' + J' + 1)$$

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 - 2B(J' + 1) \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

where, $J' = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

These two expressions may conveniently be combined into -

$$\Delta E_{J,V} = \omega_0 \pm 2Bm \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

$$m = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

where $m = J'' + 1$

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* NOTE :-

'm' cannot be zero, since, this would empty values of J' or J'' to be -1.

Since, $m = J'' + 1$ & $m = J' + 1$

or $J'' = 0$ & where, $m = -1 + 1 = 0$.