

Problem Set 3

1. From the equation the value of B is 20.56 cm^{-1} .

Use this value to plot the energy levels in question 1a, which will be located at 0, 2B, 6B, 12 B and 20B.

The spectral lines occur at 2B, 4B, 6B and 8B which is required to plot the spectrum in 1b.

Use this value of B and the reduced mass of HF to get the value of the bond length, r , in 1c. Calculations of this type were done in earlier assignments.

Equation 2, gives you the value of B to be 20.56 cm^{-1} and the centrifugal distortion constant D to be $2.13 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-1}$.

Use this equation to plot the energy levels and spectrum in 1d and 1e.

To calculate the vibrational frequency in problem 1d, use the equation

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_e^2 &= 4B^3/D \\ &= 4 \times (20.56)^3 / (2.13 \times 10^{-3}) \\ &= 1.632 \times 10^7 \\ \omega_e &= 4039.9 \text{ cm}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

2. The energy level equation for the harmonic oscillator is

$$G(v) = \omega_e (v + \frac{1}{2}) \text{ and}$$

For the anharmonic oscillator the energy level equation is

$$G(v) = \omega_e (v + \frac{1}{2}) + \omega_e x_e (v + \frac{1}{2})^2$$

Use these equations to plot the energy levels and the spectra for problems 2 and 3..

Use the selection rules $\Delta v = \pm 1$ for the harmonic oscillator.

For the anharmonic oscillator, in addition to the $\Delta v = \pm 1$, other overtone transitions involving $\Delta v = \pm 2$, $\Delta v = \pm 3, \dots$ are also possible, though with progressively weaker intensities. The fundamental with the $\Delta v = \pm 1$, from $v=0$ to $v=1$, will be the strongest.

Hot bands involve transitions, from higher vibrational levels, such as from $v=1$, $v=2$ etc. These also have weak intensities due to the smaller populations in these levels relative to the population in $v=0$.