

# Relativistic corrections to the hyperfine structure of hydrogen molecular ions

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➤ Sensitivity to fundamental constants

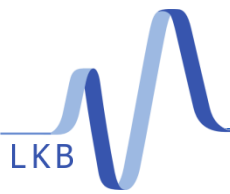
$$\nu = c R_\infty \left[ \underbrace{\varepsilon_{nr}(\mu_{ne})}_{\text{Schrödinger}} + \underbrace{\alpha^2 F_{QED}(\alpha)}_{\text{Relativistic and QED corrections}} + \sum_n \underbrace{A_n^{fs}(r_n/a_0)^2}_{\text{Nuclear finite size correction}} \right]$$

$$\text{H}_2^+ \quad R_\infty, r_p, m_e / m_p$$

$$\text{HD}^+ \quad R_\infty, r_p^2 + r_d^2, m_e / m_r^{(pd)}$$

$\nu_{vibr} \propto R_\infty \sqrt{m_e / m_r}$        $\nu_{rot} \propto R_\infty m_e / m_r$

- Experiments may soon reach a few  $10^{-12}$  using Doppler-free schemes
- Theoretical accuracy of spin-averaged vibrational transitions =  $7.5 \cdot 10^{-12}$
- However, the theory/exp comparison is limited by the hfs!



# Status of HD<sup>+</sup> hyperfine structure theory

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{\text{eff}} = & \underbrace{E_1(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{s}_e)}_{\text{Spin-orbit}} + \underbrace{E_2(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_p) + E_3(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_d)}_{\text{Nuclear spin-rotation}} + \underbrace{E_4(\mathbf{I}_p \cdot \mathbf{s}_e) + E_5(\mathbf{I}_d \cdot \mathbf{s}_e)}_{\text{Spin-spin Fermi contact interaction}} \\
 & + E_6 \left\{ 2\mathbf{L}^2(\mathbf{I}_p \cdot \mathbf{s}_e) - 3[(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_p)(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{s}_e) + (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{s}_e)(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_p)] \right\} \\
 & + E_7 \left\{ 2\mathbf{L}^2(\mathbf{I}_d \cdot \mathbf{s}_e) - 3[(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_d)(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{s}_e) + (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{s}_e)(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_d)] \right\} \\
 & + E_8 \left\{ 2\mathbf{L}^2(\mathbf{I}_p \cdot \mathbf{I}_d) - 3[(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_p)(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_d) + (\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_d)(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_p)] \right\} \\
 & + E_9 \left\{ \mathbf{L}^2 \mathbf{I}_d^2 - \frac{3}{2}(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_d) - 3(\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{I}_d)^2 \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Spin-spin tensor interactions  
 Deuteron Quadrupole moment

✓ Calculations at the Breit-Pauli level ( $\sim \alpha^2$  relative accuracy)

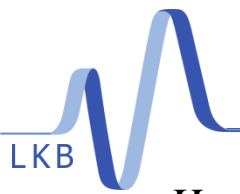
D. Bakalov, V.I. Korobov, S. Schiller, PRL **97**, 043001 (2006)

(L=1, v=0)	$E_1$	$E_2$	$E_3$	$E_4$	$E_5$	$E_6$	$E_7$	$E_8$	$E_9$
Unit: MHz	31.9846	-3.134[-02]	-4.809[-03]	924.629	142.146	8.6111	1.3218	-3.057[-03]	5.666[-03]
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✓ Higher-order corrections to  $E_4, E_5$

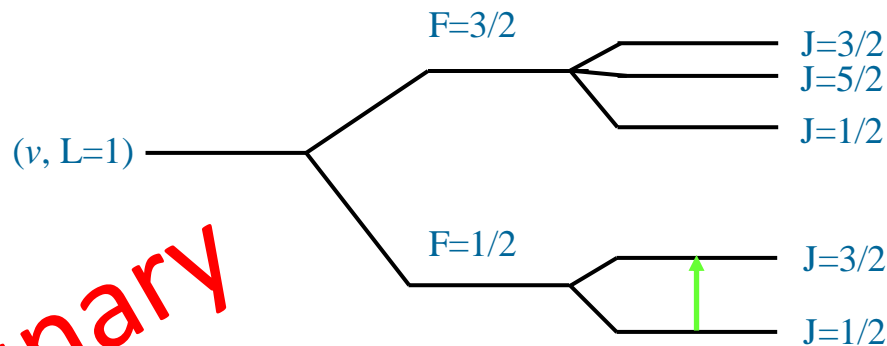
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➤ Next step:  $(Z\alpha)^2$  relativistic correction to  $E_1$  ; then  $E_6, E_7$



# Comparison with experiments: H<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>

$$H_{eff} = b_F(\mathbf{I}\mathbf{s}_e) + c_e(\mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}_e) + c_I(\mathbf{L}\mathbf{I}) + \frac{d_1}{(2L-1)(2L+3)} \left\{ \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{L}^2(\mathbf{I}\mathbf{s}_e) - [(\mathbf{L}\mathbf{I})(\mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}_e) + (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}_e)(\mathbf{L}\mathbf{I})] \right\} \\ + \frac{d_2}{(2L-1)(2L+3)} \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \mathbf{L}^2 \mathbf{I}^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{I}) - (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{I})^2 \right\}$$



Preliminary

RF spectroscopy experiments  
S.C. Menasian, PhD Thesis (1973)

ro-vibrational level	$\Delta c_e$ (kHz)
( $L = 1, v = 4$ )	0.81
( $L = 1, v = 5$ )	0.74
( $L = 1, v = 6$ )	0.67

[1]	This work (present)	Experiment
15.371049	15.371447	15.371407(2)
14.381189	14.381553	14.381513(2)
13.413169	13.413498	13.413460(2)

Unit : MHz

[1] V.I. Korobov, J.C.J. Koelemeij, L. Hilico, J.-Ph. Karr, PRL **116**, 043001 (2016)

➤ Numerical calculations of the correction to *tensor interactions* are in progress.