

## INTRACAVITY LASER ABSORPTION SPECTROSCOPY OF PLATINUM NITRIDE IN THE NEAR INFRARED

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A new electronic transition of PtN has been recorded using intracavity laser absorption spectroscopy. Four red-degraded branches are observed, with a bandheads located at 11733 and 11725  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The results of the analysis will be presented and compared with ab initio calculations.