

## MICROWAVE SPECTRA OF O<sub>2</sub>-HF AND O<sub>2</sub>-DF AND GLOBAL FITTING WITH IR DATA: INSIGHT INTO THE NATURE OF HYPERFINE INTERACTIONS

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Understanding intermolecular interactions involving open shell systems is important to both combustion and atmospheric research. In this talk, we present microwave spectra of O<sub>2</sub>-HF and O<sub>2</sub>-DF, and analysis of their hyperfine structure. Last year, spectra were reported<sup>a</sup> for six different pure rotational transitions of O<sub>2</sub>-HF, though at the time, the analysis of the hyperfine structure was still incomplete. A simultaneous fit of microwave and infrared<sup>b</sup> data was also described. In this talk, we report a complete analysis of the hyperfine structure for O<sub>2</sub>-HF and a new global fit including microwave and infrared frequencies. New assignments for the  $F_1$  quantum numbers, together with complete assignment of  $F$  quantum numbers has allowed all observed transitions of O<sub>2</sub>-HF to be fully analyzed with confidence. Calculated spectral intensities are also consistent with experimental observation. The Fermi contact parameters for the two nuclei are found to have opposite signs, consistent with a simple model based on spin polarization. Progress on analysis of magnetic and nuclear quadrupole hyperfine structure in O<sub>2</sub>-DF and global fit with IR data will be reported. The derived hyperfine parameters unambiguously establish the correspondence between the magnetic hyperfine constants and the two nuclei of the H(D)F.

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