CaF: ALL SPECTRA AND ALL DYNAMICS

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More than 1,000 CaF rovibronic levels, spanning the range $n^*=5$, v=0 (42,500 cm $^{-1}$) to $n^*=20$, v=1 (47,500 cm $^{-1}$), and sampling $\ell=0(s)-5(h)$ are fitted to a quantum defect model. This model consists of two currently separate pieces: the corepenetrating $s,\ p,\ d,\ f$ series are fitted to the elements of an internuclear distance (R) and energy (E) dependent quantum defect matrix, $\mu(R,E)$; the core-nonpenetrating series are described by multipole $(\mu,\ Q,\ O)$ moments and polarizabilities $(\alpha,\ \gamma)$. The values of the fitted parameters agree well with $ab\ initio$ computed values. Although the fitted parameters permit calculation of all spectra and all dynamics of CaF, the physical meanings of the parameters remain obscure.