

Experimental and theoretical investigations on the visible spectrum of AlD^+



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Abstract

The emission spectrum of the AlD^+ ion has been studied by Fourier transform spectroscopy technique, as a further step of our investigation of the AlD neutral molecule [1]. The O-O and 1-1 bands of the $\text{A}^2\Pi\text{-X}^2\Sigma^+$ system have been recorded in the 27000-29000 cm^{-1} region. In total, almost 500 rotational frequencies were measured with an absolute accuracy of about 0.005 cm^{-1} .

The rotational analysis has shown irregularities in the Λ -doubling splitting of the $\text{A}^2\Pi$, $v=0;1$. Consequently, the $\text{A}^2\Pi$ state has been represented by the rotational term values, while the regular $\text{X}^2\Sigma^+$ state by the molecular constants. The causes of the irregularities were identified in the interaction between the $\text{A}^2\Pi$ state the lying higher the $\text{B}^2\Sigma^+$ state.

Ab initio calculations were performed using a parallel version of the MOLPRO [2] suite of quantum chemistry codes. The calculations are based on a Hartree-Fock treatment of the ground electronic wavefunction ($^2\Sigma^+$), the only molecular state that correlates to the lowest dissociation limit $\text{Al}^+(^1S)+\text{D}(^2S)$. The static electron correlation was calculated using the State-Averaged Complete Active Space Self-Consistent Field method [3]. The active space consisted of all the occupied valence orbitals of the aluminium atom plus the 1s orbital from the deuterium atom. The 1s orbital on the Al atom is kept frozen while the 2s2p orbitals are closed. In addition, SA-CASSCF can be used to calculate the excited electronic states corresponding to the $\text{Al}^+(^3P)+\text{D}(^2S)$ asymptote so a total of five electronic states are included ($2 \times ^2\Sigma^+$, $^2\Pi$, $^4\Sigma^+$, 4P). The accuracy of the potentials can be improved by including dynamic electron correlation, that was handled here by using the Multi-reference Configuration Interaction (MRCI) method [4].

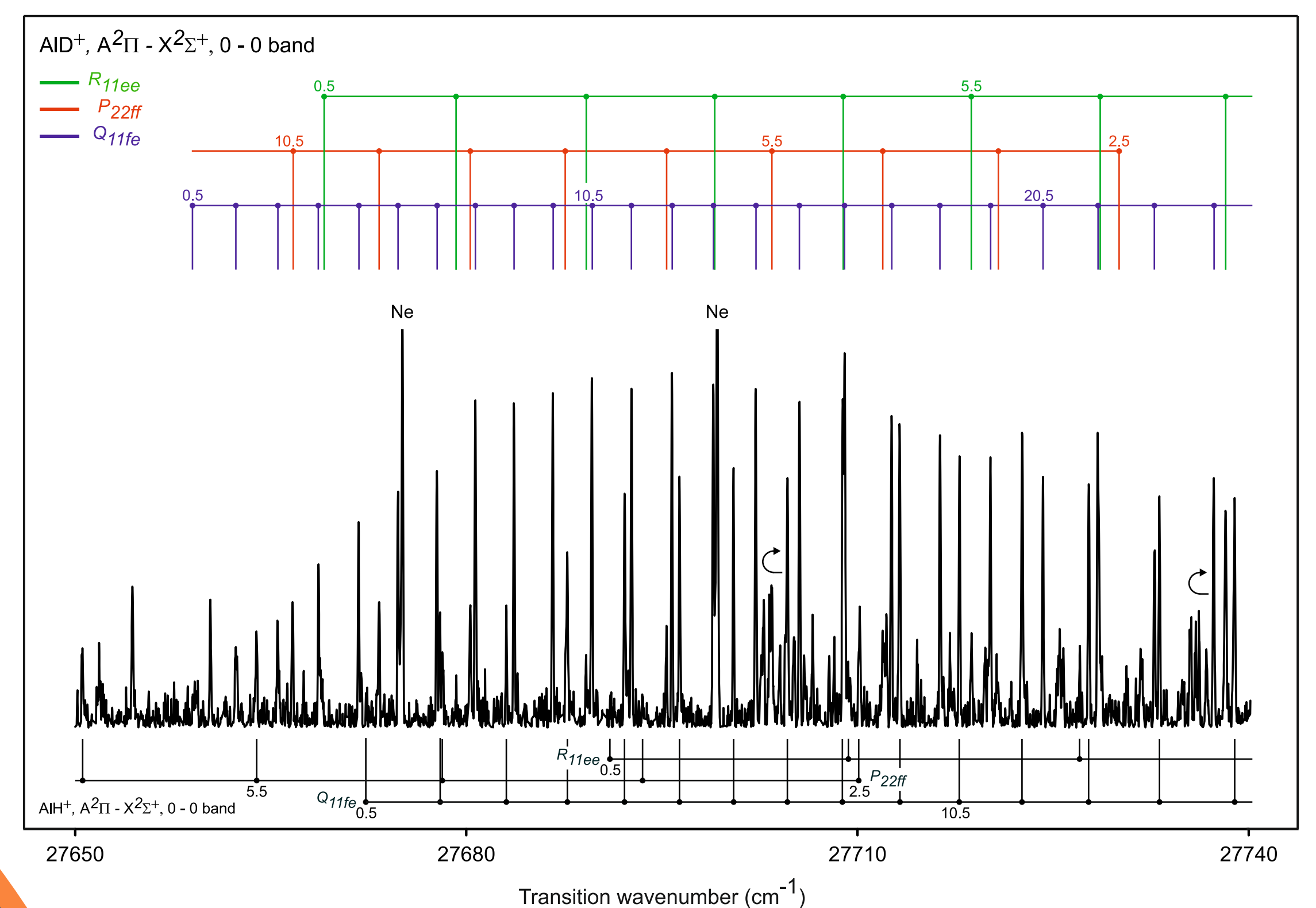
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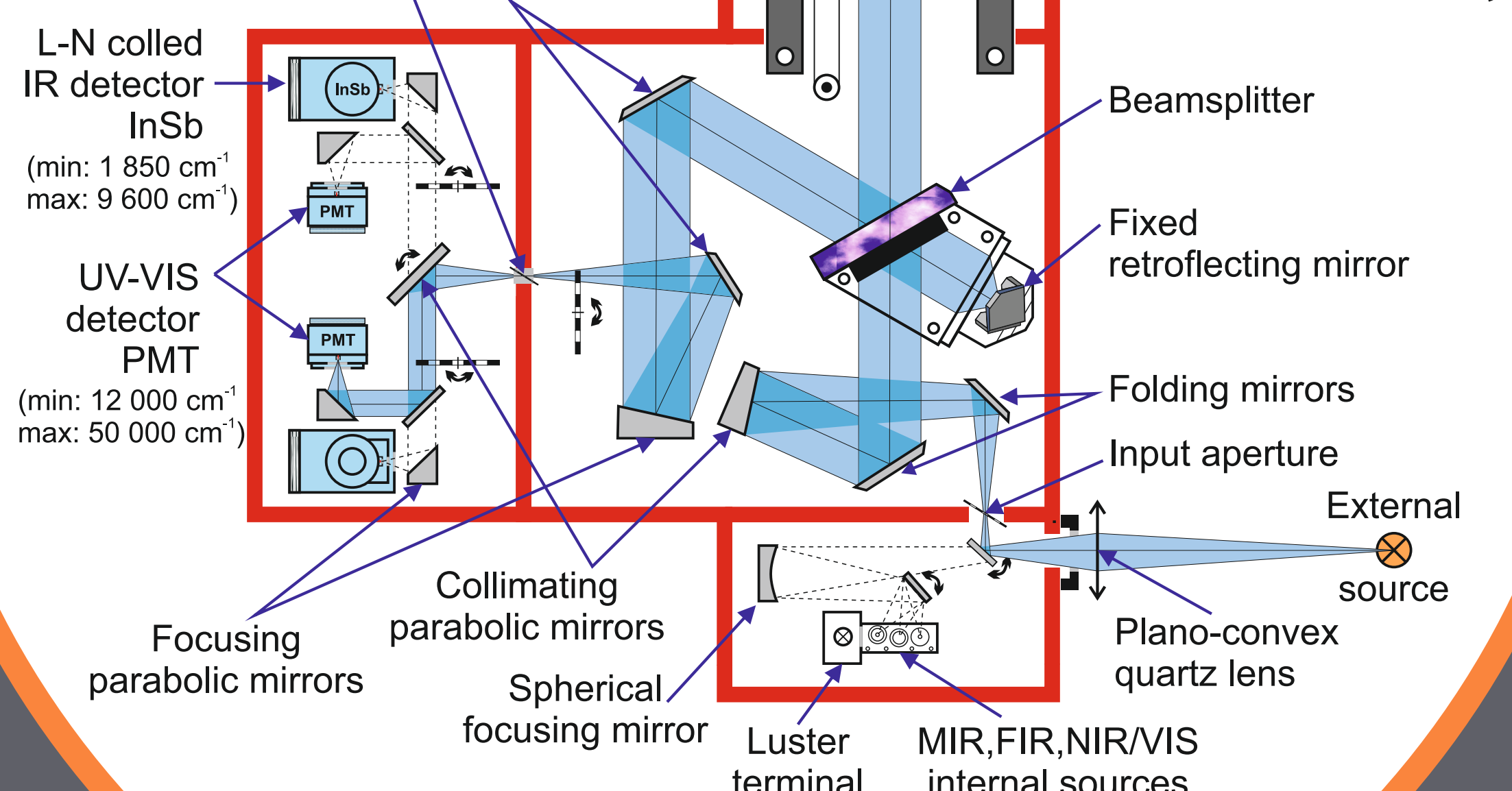
Spectrum

High-resolution VIS-FTS emission spectrum of the AlD^+ $\text{A}^2\Pi\text{-X}^2\Sigma^+$ system.

- **instrumental resolution:** 0.03 cm^{-1} ,
- **signal-to-noise ratio:** 50:1
- **FWHM of AlD^+ lines:** 0.11 cm^{-1}
- **spectrum source:** water-cooled hollow-cathode lamp



Fourier Transform Spectrometer



Bruker IFS 125 HR

Spectral range: 1850 - 50000 cm^{-1} (5400- 200 nm)
Maximum Optical Path Difference: (OPD)_{max} = 258 cm
Maximum spectral resolution: ($\Delta\nu$)_{max} = 0.0035 cm^{-1}
Resolving power: $> 10^6$
Vacuum conditions: $p \approx 0.002$ hPa
Aperture: 0.5 - 12.5 mm
Detector: PMT in integration pulse mode
Interferometer: modified Michelson's system
Control the scanner position: 1.2 mW single mode He-Ne laser

Results

Ab initio molecular constants of the X, A and B states of AlD^+

State	v	T_v	A_v	$A_{D,v}$	B_v	$10^4 D_v$	$10^2 \gamma_v$	$10^2 p_v$
$\text{X}^2\Sigma^+$	0	0.00	—	—	3.473406	1.1788	1.6048	—
	1	1164.84	—	—	3.343229	1.2801	1.4882	—
	2	2242.86	—	—	3.195012	1.4379	1.3522	—
	3	3222.29	—	—	3.024578	1.7031	1.2057	—
	4	4087.35	—	—	2.825036	2.1934	1.1404	—
$\text{A}^2\Pi$	0	27710.29	111.1990	0.3332	3.539210	1.3202	—	-0.5577
	1	28950.05	110.4661	0.3197	3.445932	1.3193	—	0.0823
	2	30143.91	109.8179	0.3054	3.352814	1.3338	—	1.4970
	3	31288.30	112.4429	0.2647	3.377430	4.9506	—	-18.4957
	4	32397.10	107.6012	0.2829	3.172055	1.3978	—	-1.9759
$\text{B}^2\Sigma^+$	0	31271.06	—	—	1.908245	-8.2751	39.570	—
	1	32209.06	—	—	2.142094	0.40465	-2.7196	—
	2	33131.25	—	—	2.119465	0.35930	5.1767	—
	3	34030.64	—	—	2.095616	0.50149	-1.5383	—
	4	34905.07	—	—	2.068223	0.53319	-1.2264	—

All values in cm^{-1} . Constants obtained from $^2\Pi$ and $^2\Sigma^+$ states model [5] fit to DUO [6] generated term values.

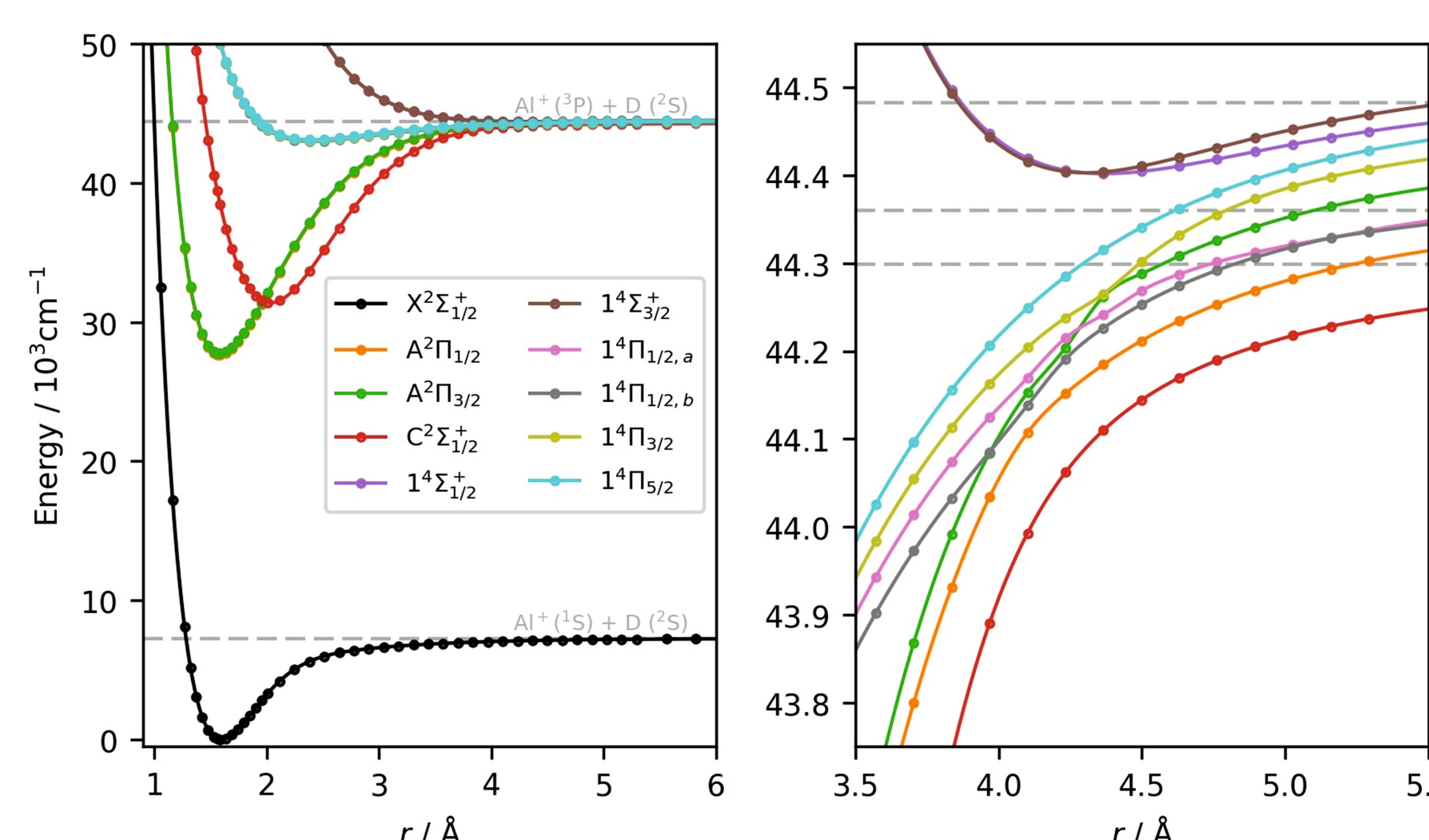
Experimental molecular constants for the X state of AlD^+

State	v	B_v	$10^4 D_v$	$10^8 H_v$	$10^2 \gamma_v$
$\text{X}^2\Sigma^+$	0	3.42867(11)	1.1994(20)	-0.211(10)	2.910(29)
		3.4299(2)	1.237(2)		2.91(6)
	1	3.29470(19)	1.2789(58)	-0.698(55)	2.735(32)
		3.2957(3)	1.342(3)		2.64(6)

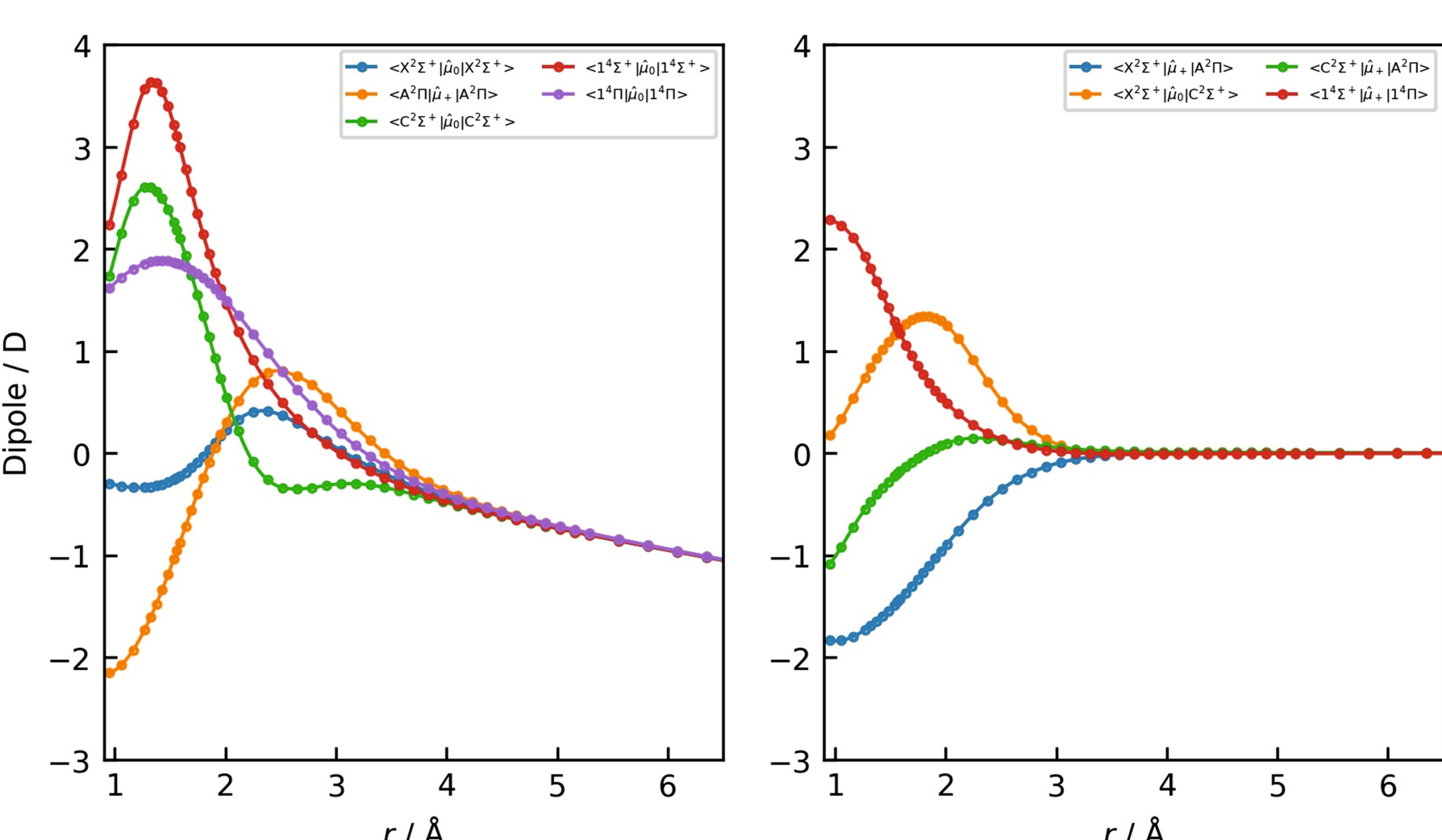
All values in cm^{-1} , 1 σ in parentheses. The second line contains the values of Balfour and Lindgren [5].

Ab initio MRCI results for AlD^+

(a) potential energy curves

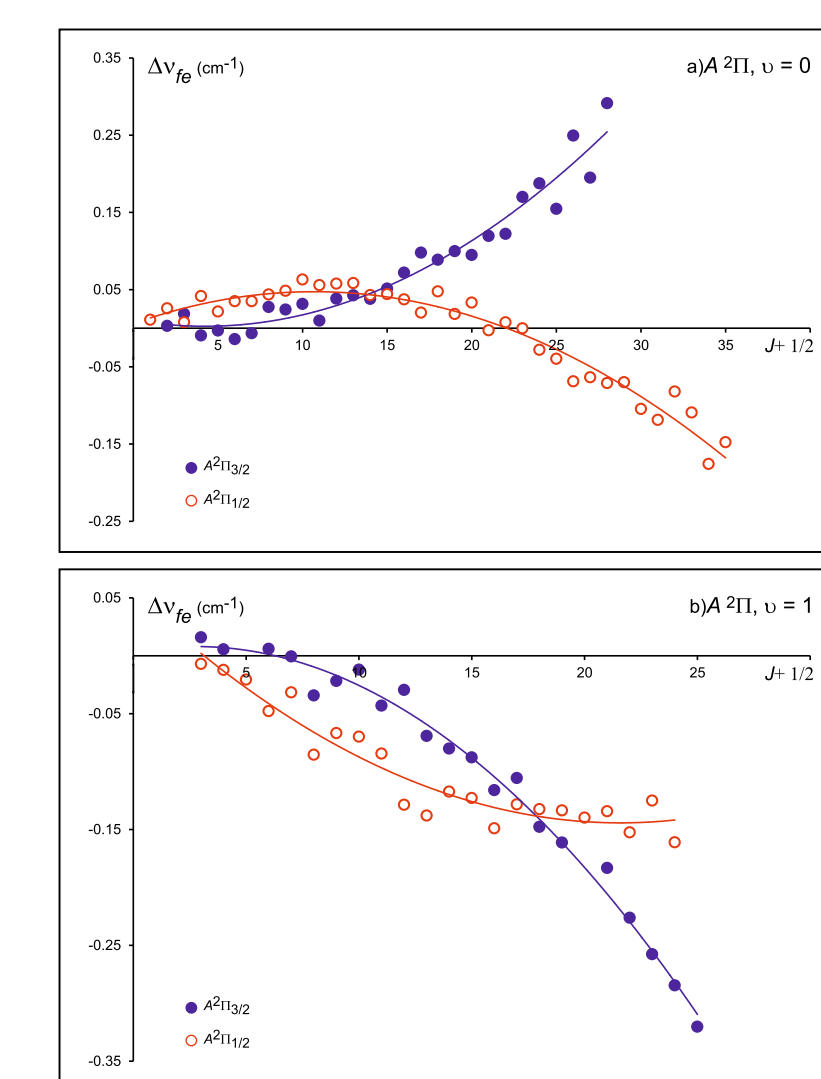


(b) dipole moments

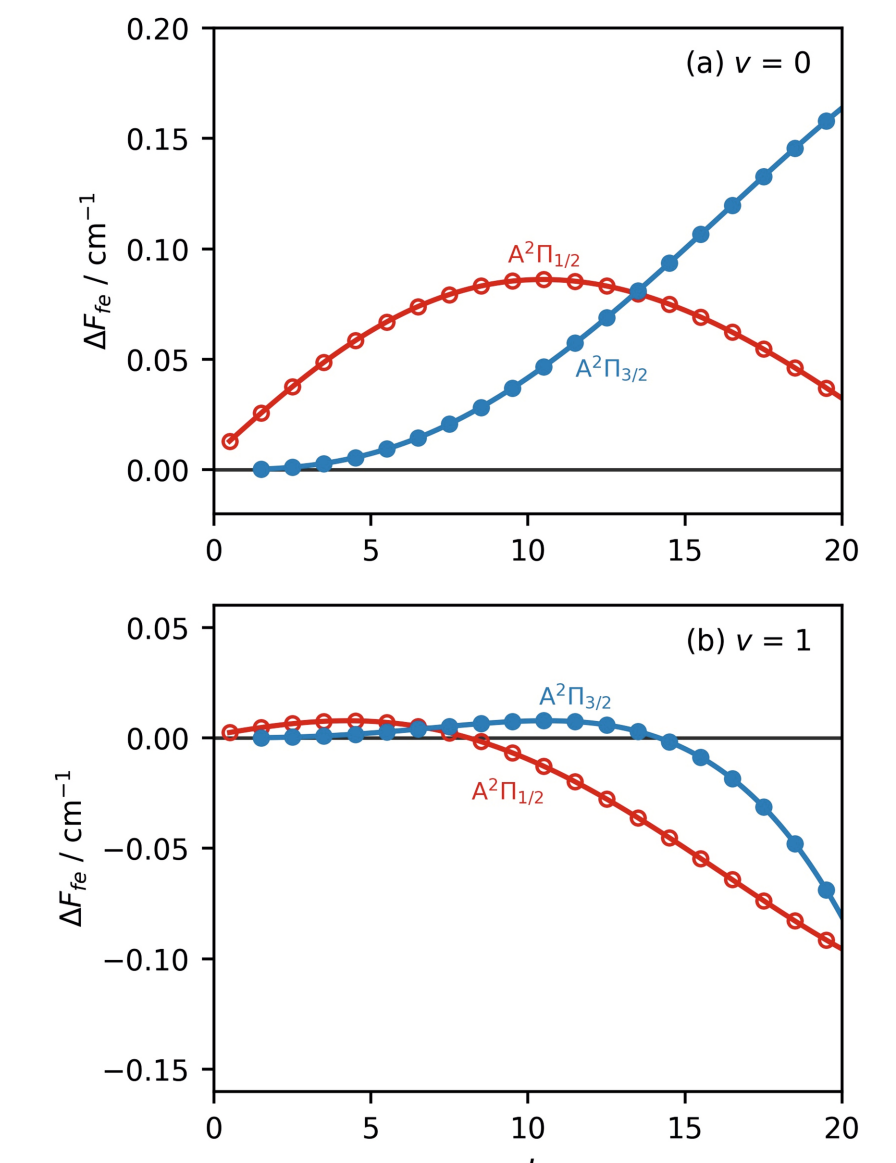


Λ -doubling of the $\text{A}^2\Pi$ $v=0,1$ levels of AlD^+

(a) experimental results



(b) theoretical results



Equilibrium parameters of the X, A and B states of AlD^+

	$\text{X}^2\Sigma^+$	$\text{A}^2\Pi$	$\text{B}^2\Sigma^+$
T_e	0.00	27681.21	31403.91
ω_e	1233.22	1287.26	954.89
A_e	—	111.41	—
B_e	3.5140	3.5855	2.1753
$10^4 D_e$	1.0705	1.3246	0.3667
$10^2 \gamma_e$	1.6429	—	-4.3898
$10^2 p$	—	-1.9889	—

All values in cm^{-1} .