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Chemical Applications of Neutron Scattering

Part 2

Mainly Inelastic Scattering:

Spectroscopy and Dynamics

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Chemical Applications of Neutron Scattering

- INS Spectroscopy
- Rotational Tunnelling
- QENS
- Diffraction, Spectroscopy and
ab-initio calculations

Inelastic neutron scattering measures atomic motion

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\omega dE} \right)_{coh} = b_{coh}^2 \frac{k'}{k} N S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\omega dE} \right)_{incoh} = b_{incoh}^2 \frac{k'}{k} N S_i(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)$$

$$S(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint G(\mathbf{r}, t) e^{i(\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r} - \omega t)} d\mathbf{r} dt$$

$$S_i(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \iint G_s(\mathbf{r}, t) e^{i(\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{r} - \omega t)} d\mathbf{r} dt$$

Inelastic coherent scattering measures correlated motions of atoms

Inelastic incoherent scattering measures *self-correlations*
e.g. vibrations, diffusion

Correlation Functions

$$S_{coh}(Q, \omega) \quad \Leftrightarrow F.T. \Leftrightarrow \quad G(r, t)$$

$$S_{inc}(Q, \omega) \quad \Leftrightarrow F.T. \Leftrightarrow \quad G_s(r, t)$$

- $G(r, t) \equiv$ Probability of finding an atom at r and at time t when there is an atom at $r = 0$ at $t = 0$.
- $G_s(r, t) \equiv$ Probability of finding an atom at r and at time t if the same atom was at $r = 0$ at $t = 0$.

Inelastic and Quasielastic Neutron Spectroscopy

$$\Delta E \tau \approx h/2\pi$$

Time Scale τ	Resolution ΔE	Spectroscopic Technique
10^{-11} sec	10 - 100 meV	Direct Geometry TOF
10^{-9} sec	0.3 - 20 meV	Backscattering Crystal Analyzer
10^{-7} sec	5 neV - 1 meV	Spin Echo

$$Q = \frac{4\pi}{\lambda} \sin \vartheta$$

Momentum Transfer $Q(\text{\AA}^{-1})$	Distance (\AA)	Regime
0.05	100	Continuous or Macroscopic Diffusion
5	1	Atomic or Microscopic Diffusion

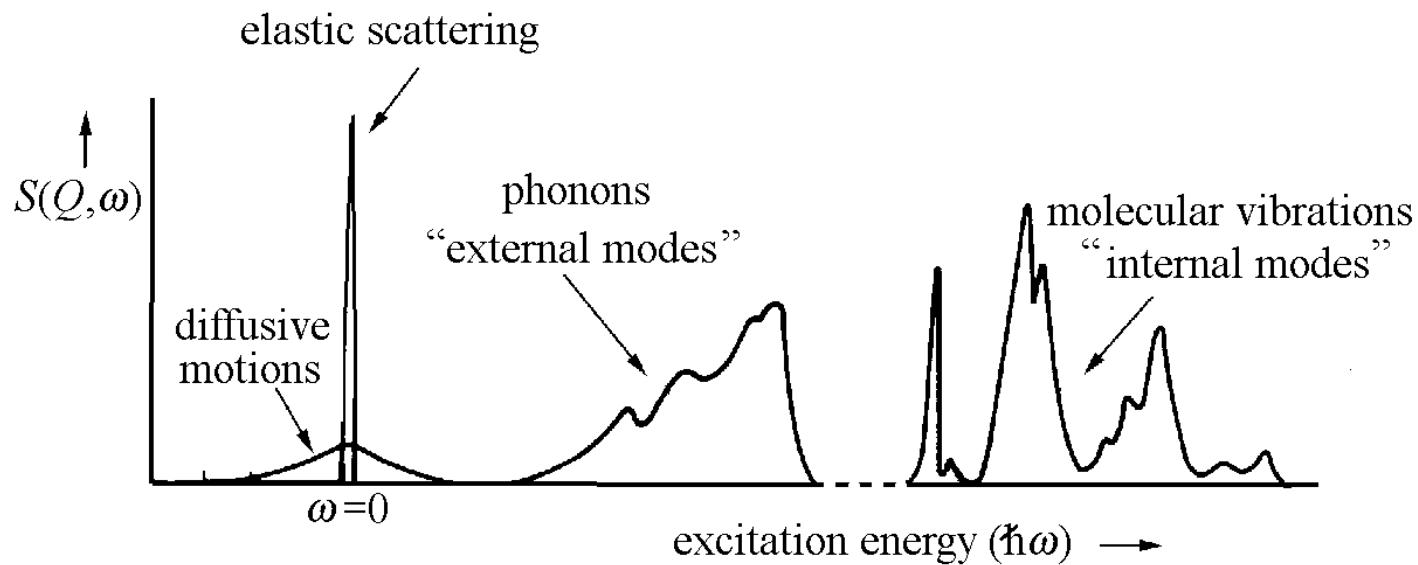
Incoherent Scattering Cross Sections

$$\sigma_{incoh} = 4\pi \left(\langle b^2 \rangle - \langle b \rangle^2 \right)$$

- Incoherent Scattering arises from the random distribution of different isotopes with different scattering lengths.
- Incoherent Scattering depends on the correlation between the positions of the same nucleus at different times.

NO INTERFERENCE EFFECTS = SPECTROSCOPY

INS spectrum from a hypothetical molecular crystal



INCOHERENT INELASTIC NEUTRON SCATTERING

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{d\Omega dE_f} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{k_f}{k_i} [\sigma_{coh} S_{coh}(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) + \sigma_{inc} S_{inc}(\mathbf{Q}, \omega)]$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{inc}}{d\Omega dE} = \sum_{q,j} \frac{k'}{k} \delta(\hbar\omega \mp \hbar\omega_j(\mathbf{q})) \frac{\hbar \left(\bar{n} + \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \right)}{2\omega_j(\mathbf{q})} \times \sum_r \frac{(b_{inc})_r^2}{m_r} |\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{u}_r^j(\mathbf{q})|^2 \exp(-Q^2 \langle u^2 \rangle)$$

for a powder sample we can average

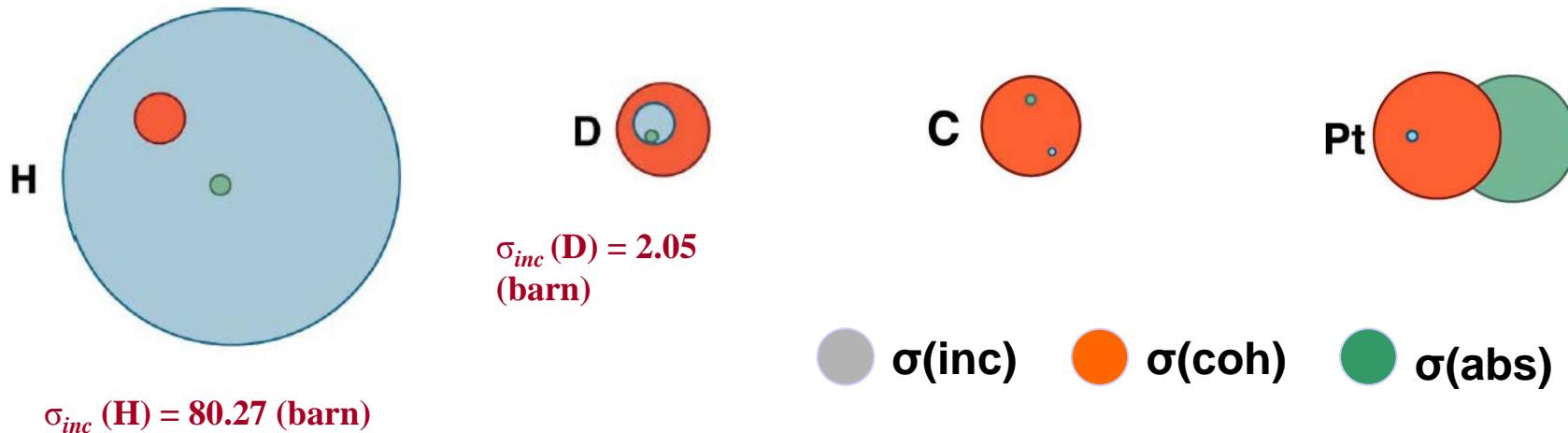
$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{inc}}{d\Omega dE} = \frac{k'}{k} b_{inc}^2 \frac{Q^2 \langle u^2 \rangle}{2m} \left(\bar{n} + \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \right) \exp(-2W) N \frac{Z(\omega)}{\omega}$$

at very low T for hydrogenous materials

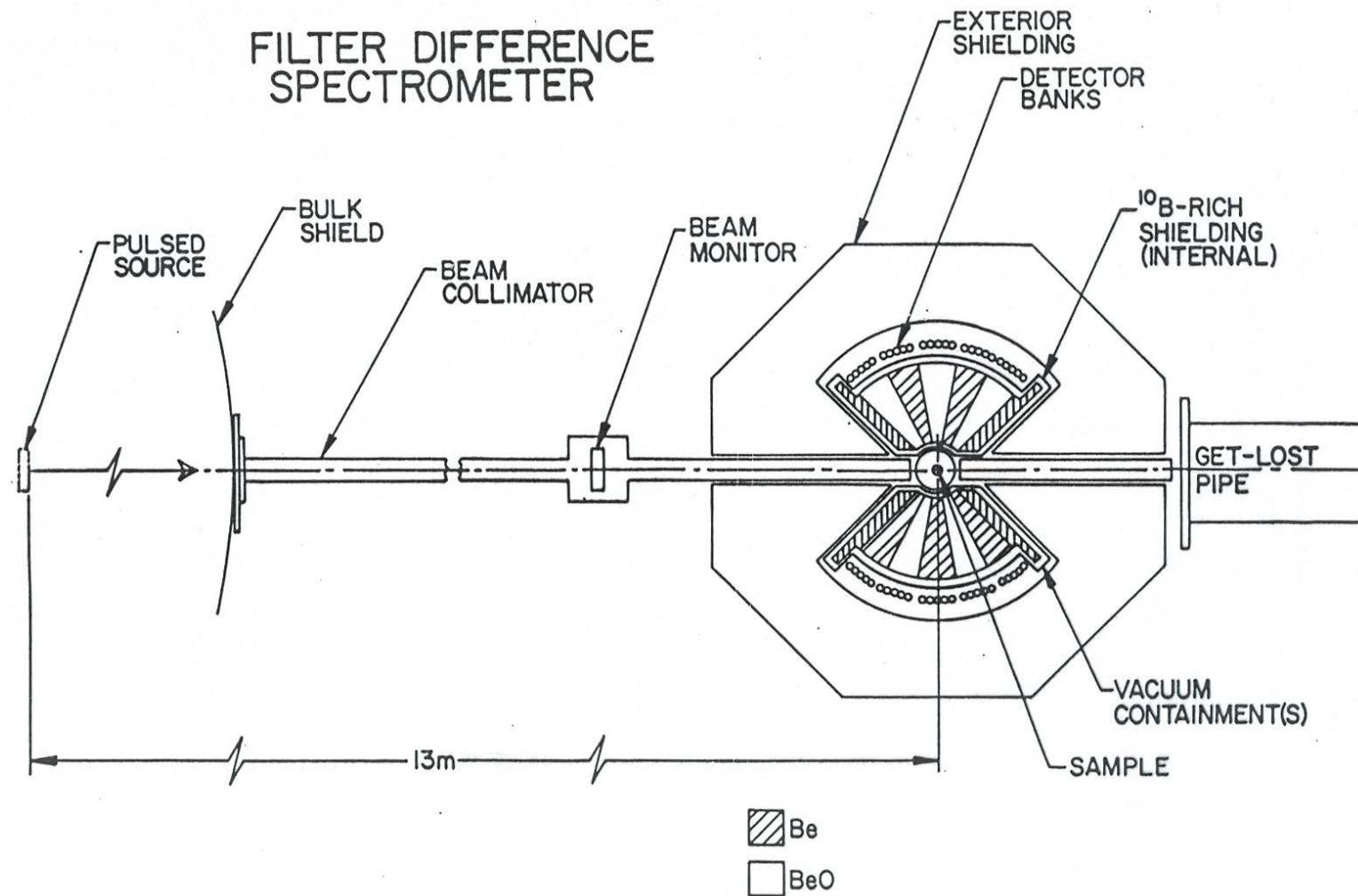
$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{inc}}{d\Omega dE} = \frac{k'}{k} b_{inc}^2 S_{inc}(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) \quad S_{inc}(\mathbf{Q}, \omega) = Q^2 \langle u^2 \rangle \exp(-2W)$$

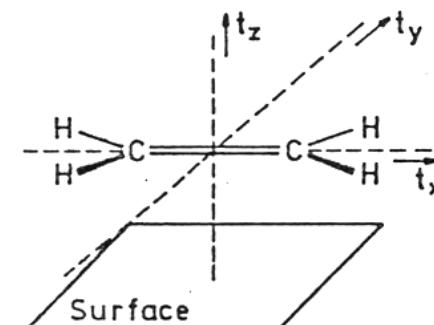
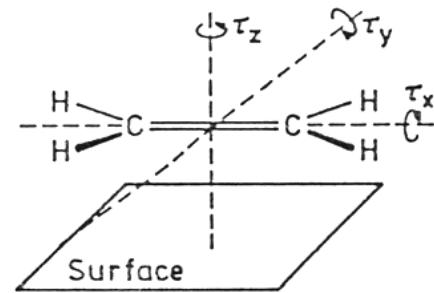
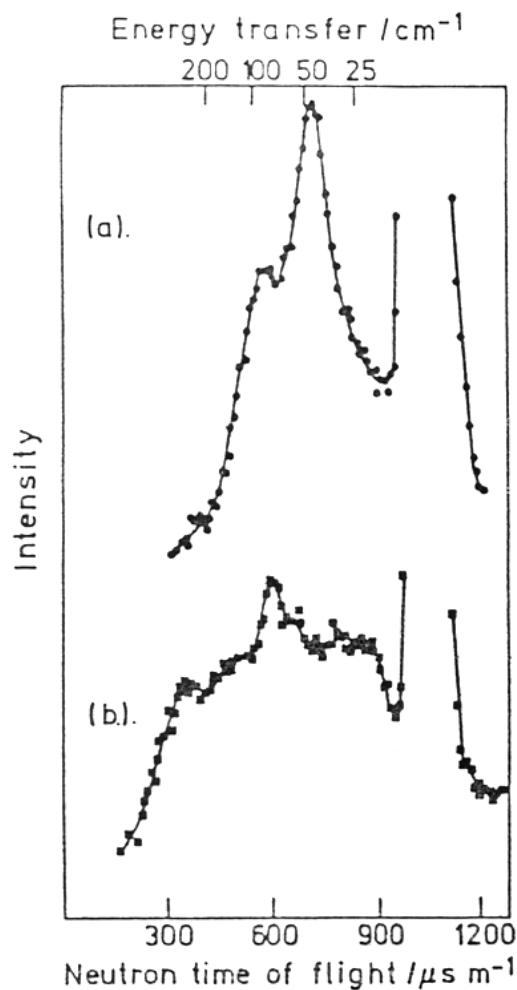
INELASTIC INCOHERENT NEUTRON SCATTERING:

- The energy of the thermal neutrons is comparable to that of the lattice and molecular vibrations.
- The incoherent part of the scattering cross-section (σ_{inc}) arises from the random distribution of different isotopes with different scattering lengths.
- The incoherent part of the scattering cross-section describes the single particles dynamics: *Vibrational and rotational spectroscopy*.
- The intensity scattered by each mode depends on the *value of the incoherent scattering cross-section (σ_{inc}) and the atomic displacements*.
- The incoherent cross section for Hydrogen is very large: *modes involving H atoms will dominate the INS Spectrum*



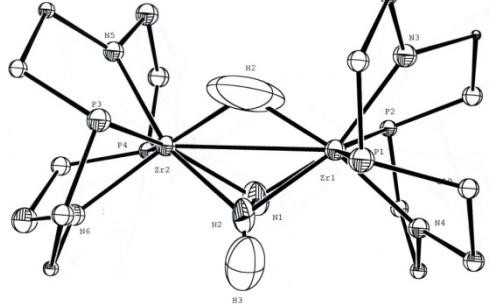
FILTER DIFFERENCE SPECTROMETER



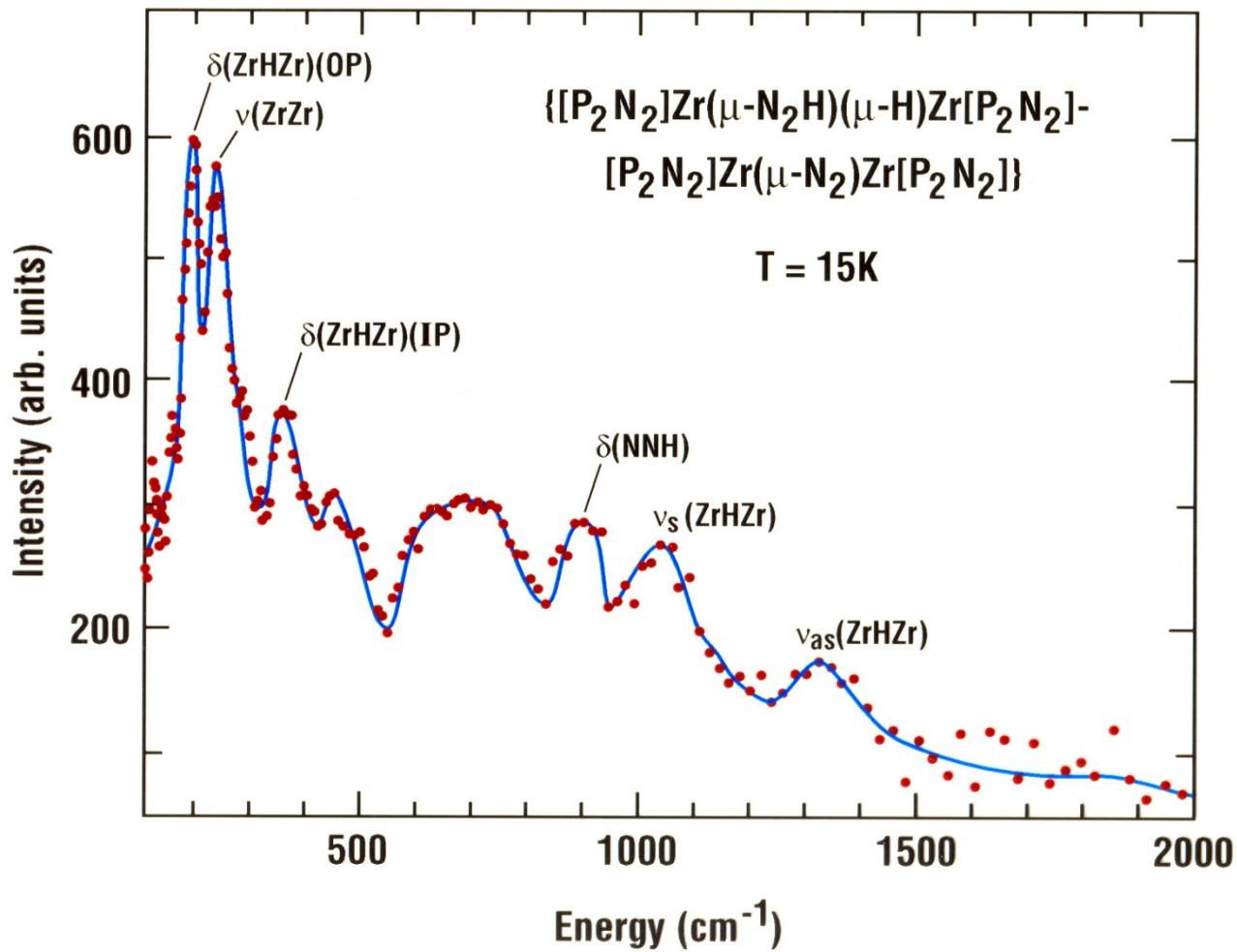


The inelastic neutron scattering from (a) ethylene adsorbed on an Ag-13X zeolite catalyst and (b) the catalyst alone. The spectra were taken on the Harwell DIDO 6H double rotor spectrometer by Howard et al

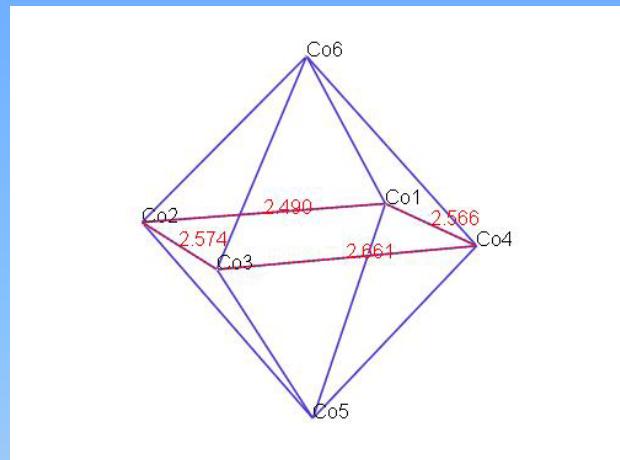
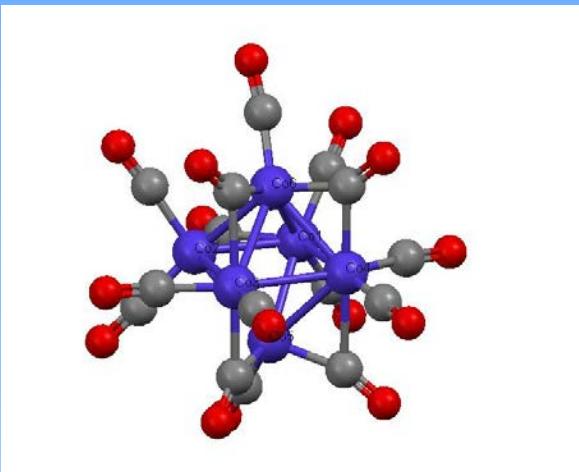
The INS Difference-Spectrum of $\{[\text{P}_2\text{N}_2\text{Zr}]_2 (\mu\text{-H})(\mu\text{-N}_2\text{H})\}$



$$\langle u_1^2 \rangle = \frac{h}{8\pi^2 \mu v} \coth\left(\frac{hv}{2kT}\right)$$



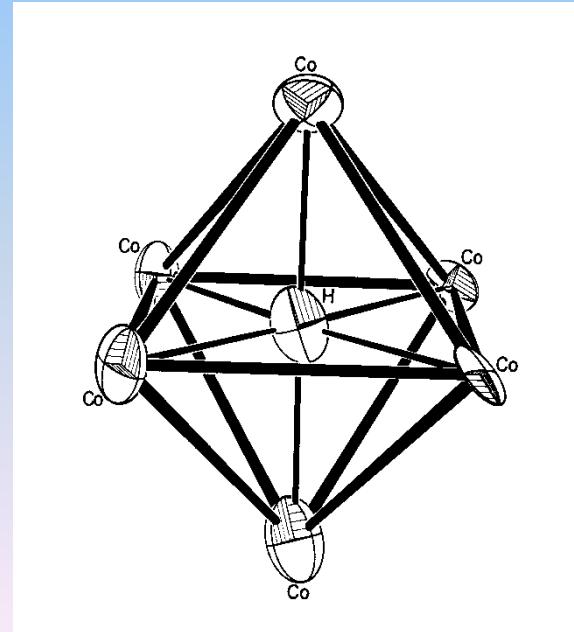
The Structure of $[\text{Co}(\text{CO})_{15}\text{H}]^-$

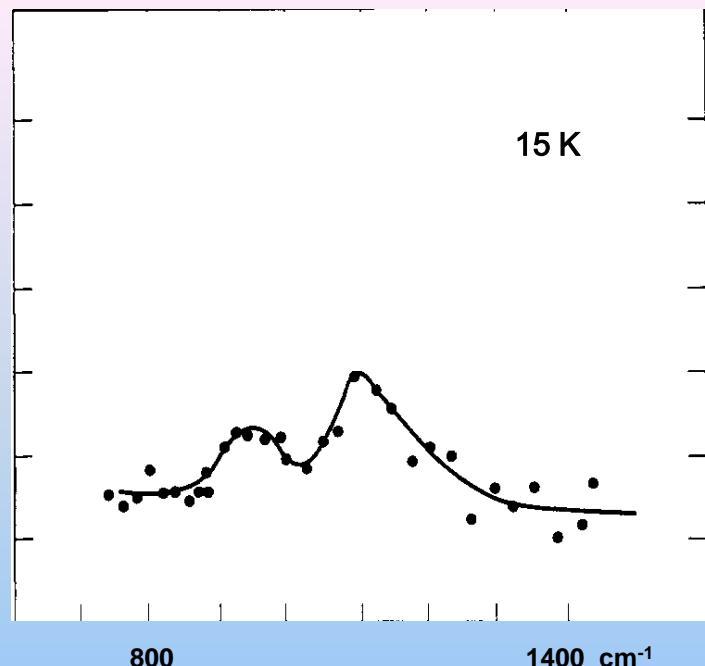
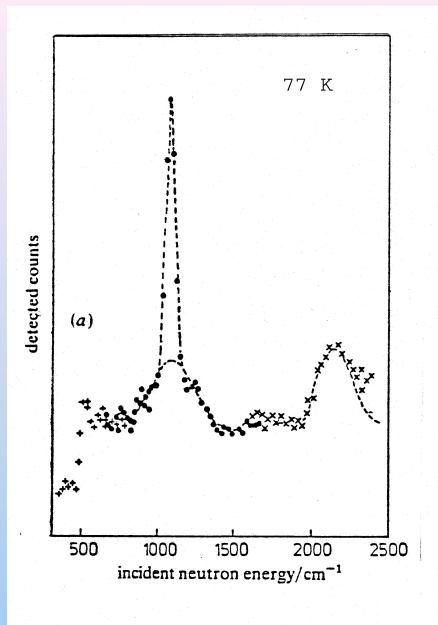


NMR (solution) $\delta \sim +3$

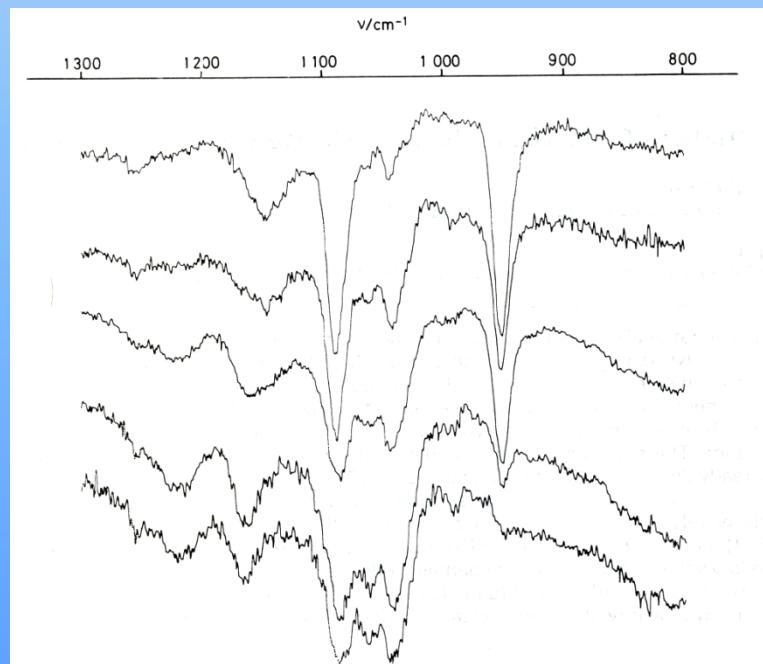
Hydride $\delta \sim -5$ -40

Formyl $\delta \sim +5$ +10

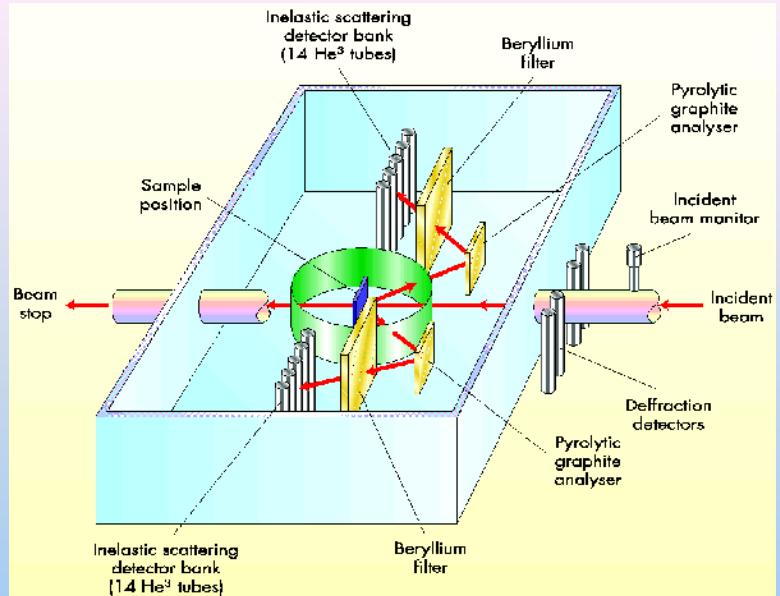




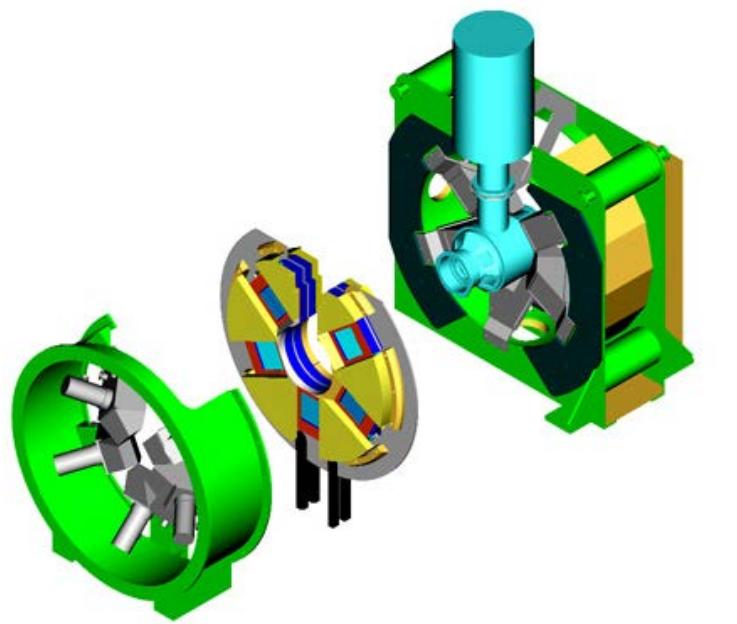
Cs[Co₆(CO)₁₅H]
IN1 - ILL (30g)
J. Howard (1983)



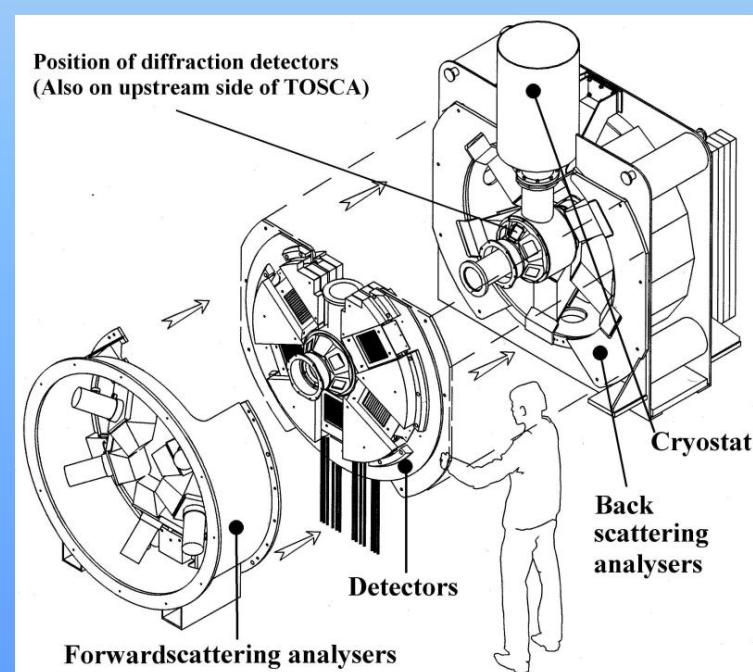
I.R.
K[Co₆(CO)₁₅H] (CsI)
Longoni & Stanghellini (1987)



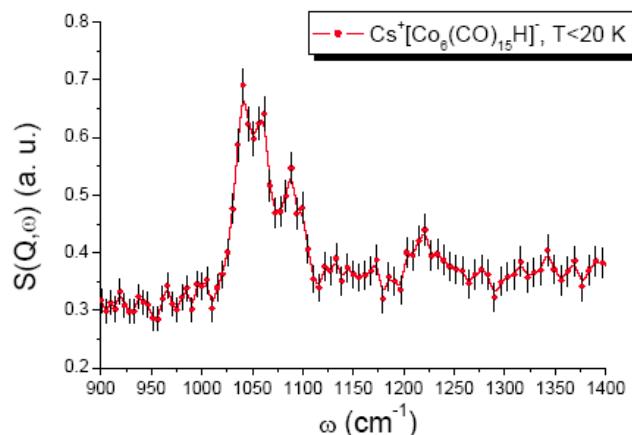
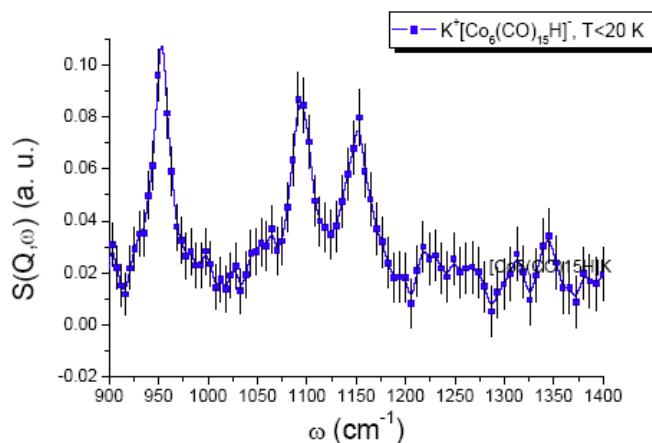
TFXA



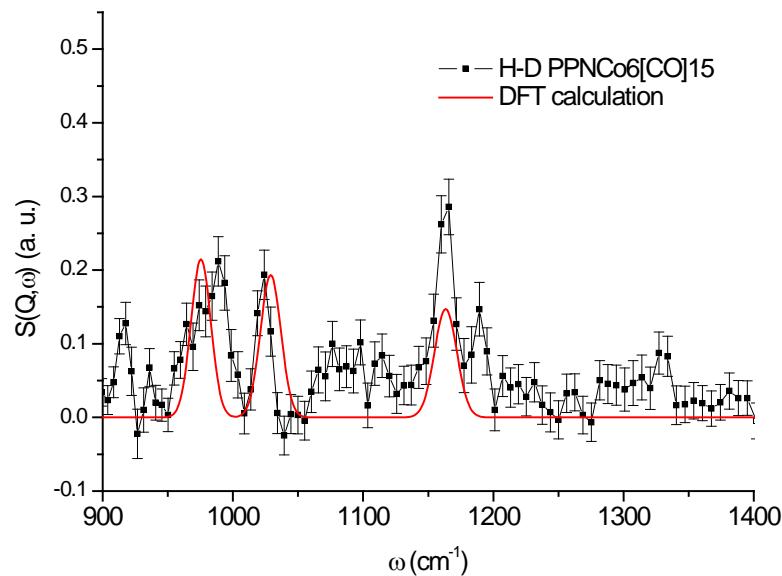
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INS & I.R. Spectra of $x[\text{Co}_6(\text{CO})_{15}\text{H}]$

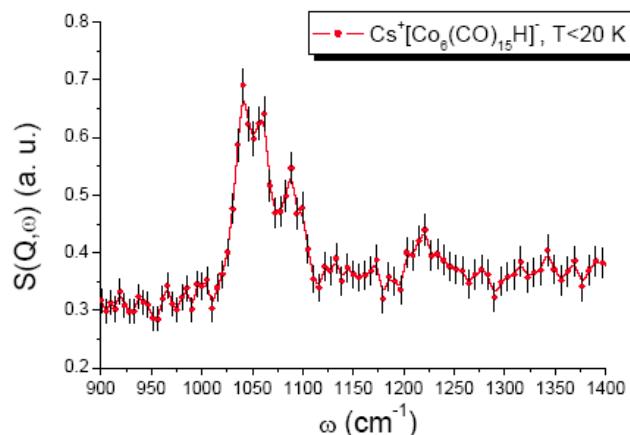
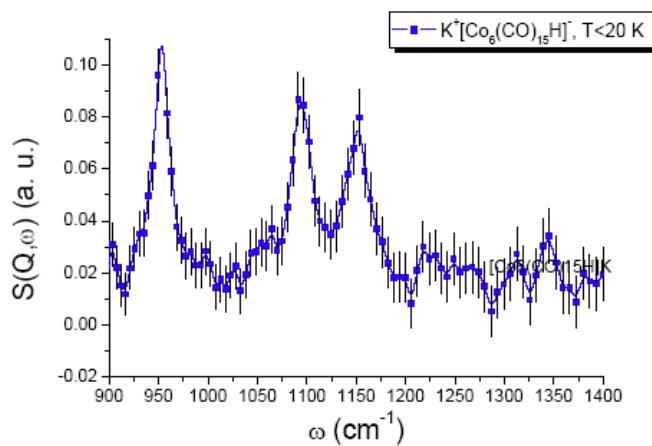


$T = 20\text{K}$

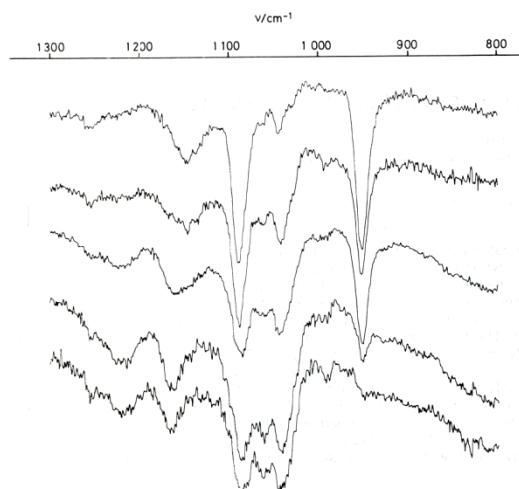
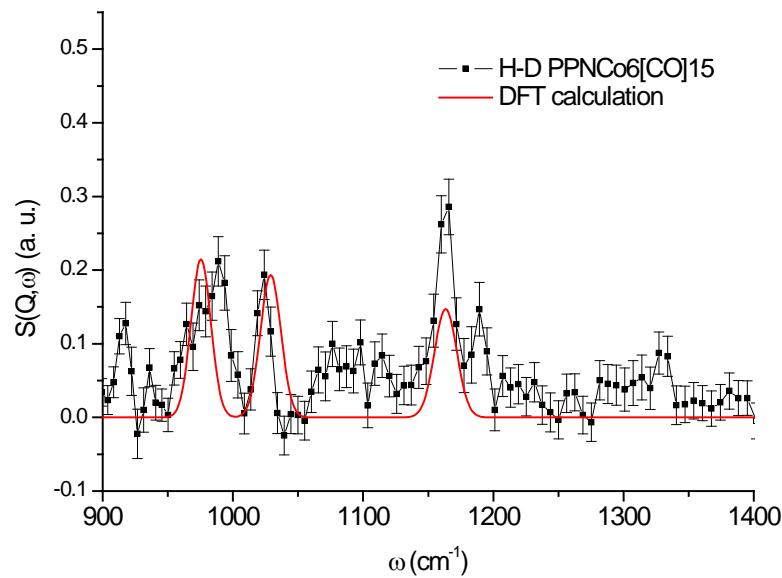


$\text{K}[\text{Co}_6(\text{CO})_{15}\text{H}]$ in CsI

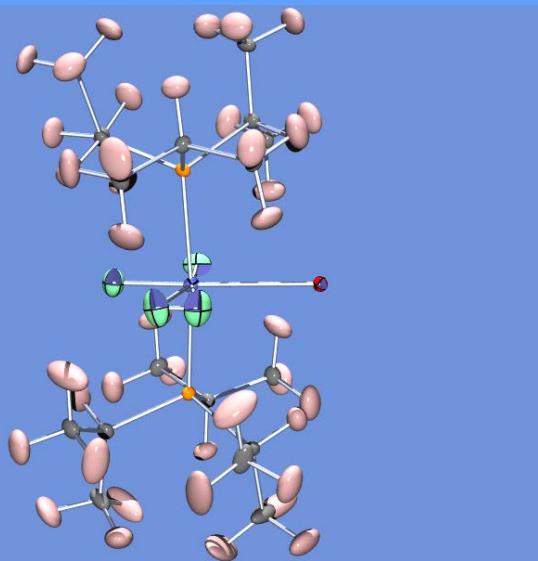
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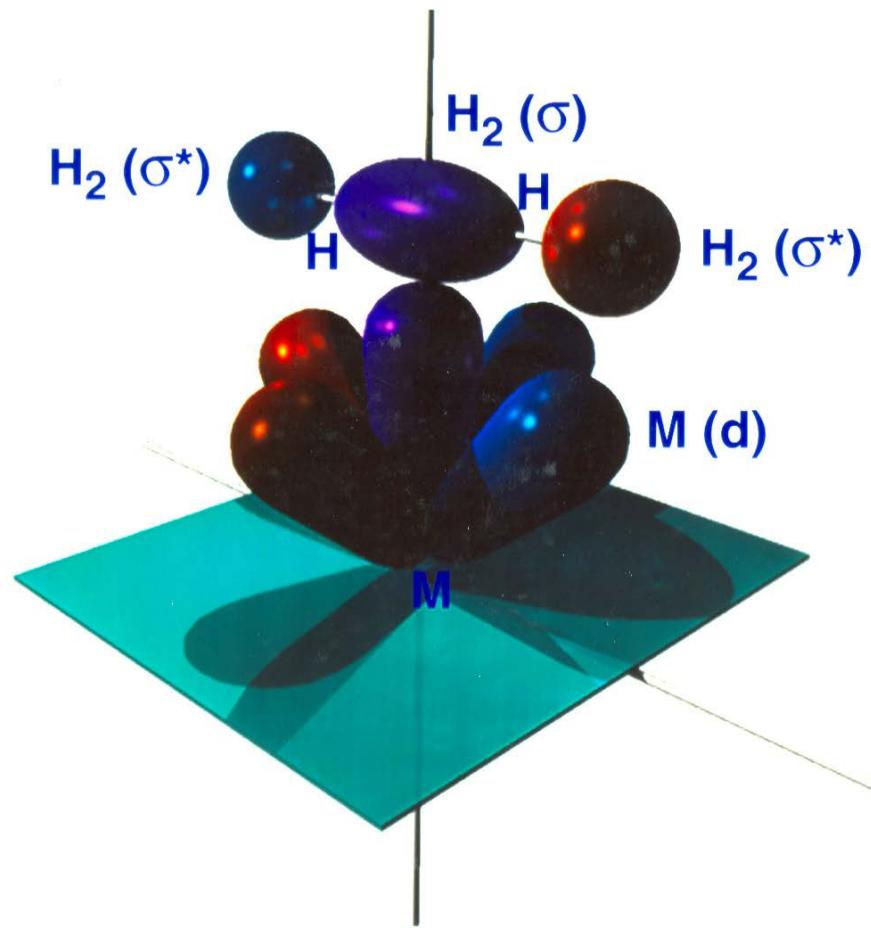
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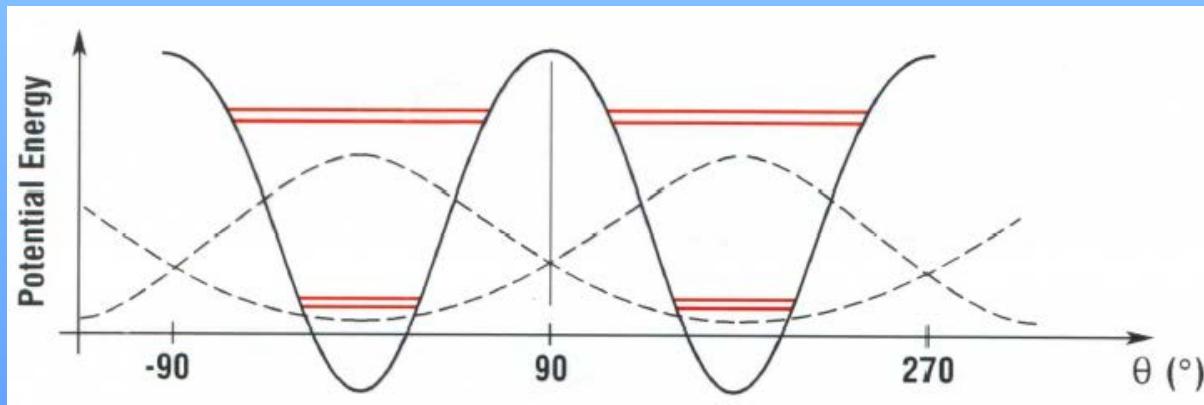
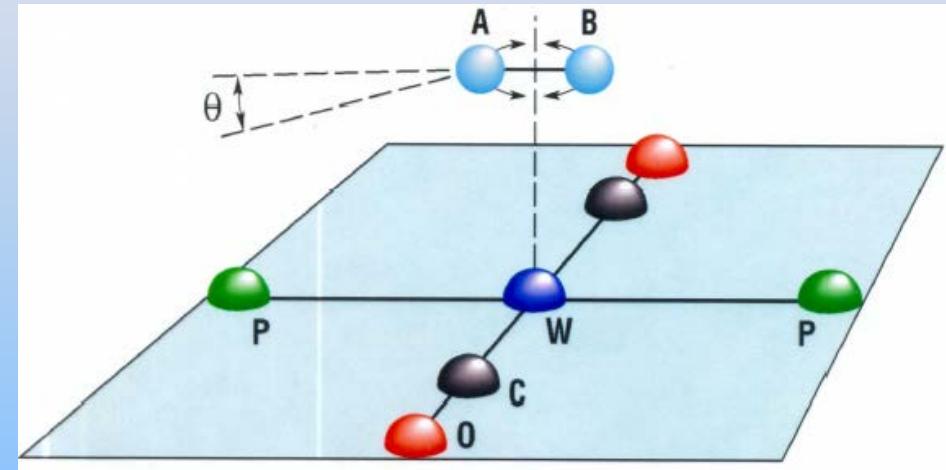
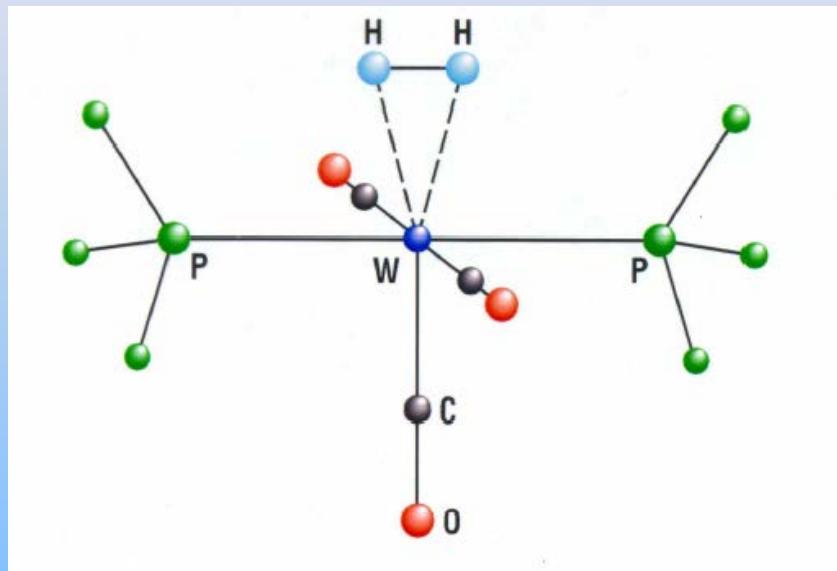
H-H Distances (\AA) vs. J^{HD} (Hz)

	$d_{(\text{H-H})}$	J^{HD}
$\text{W}(\text{CO})_3(\text{P}^{\text{i}}\text{Pr}_3)_2(\text{H}_2)$	0.82 (1)	34.0
$[\text{Fe}(\text{dppe})_2(\text{H})(\text{H}_2)]^+$	0.82 (2)	30.5
$[\text{Ru}(\text{dppe})_2(\text{H})(\text{H}_2)]^+$	0.82 (3)	32.0
$[\text{Os}(\text{dppe})_2(\text{H})(\text{H}_2)]^+$	0.79 (2)	25.5

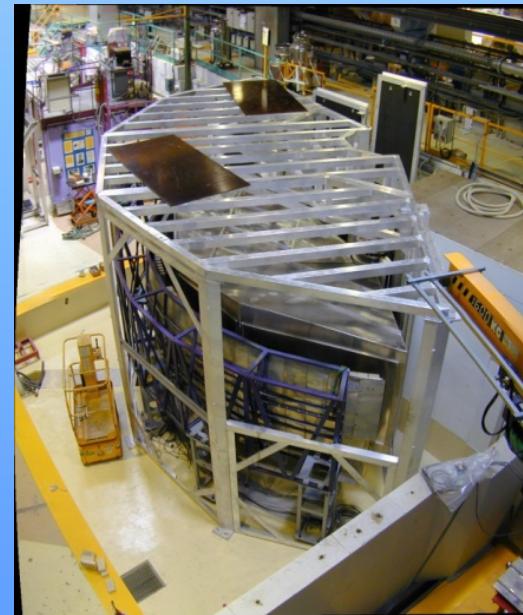
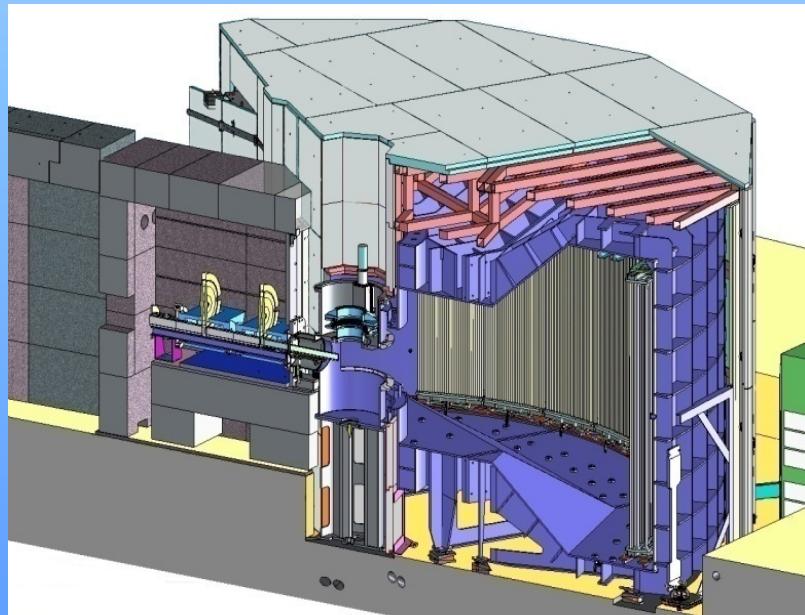
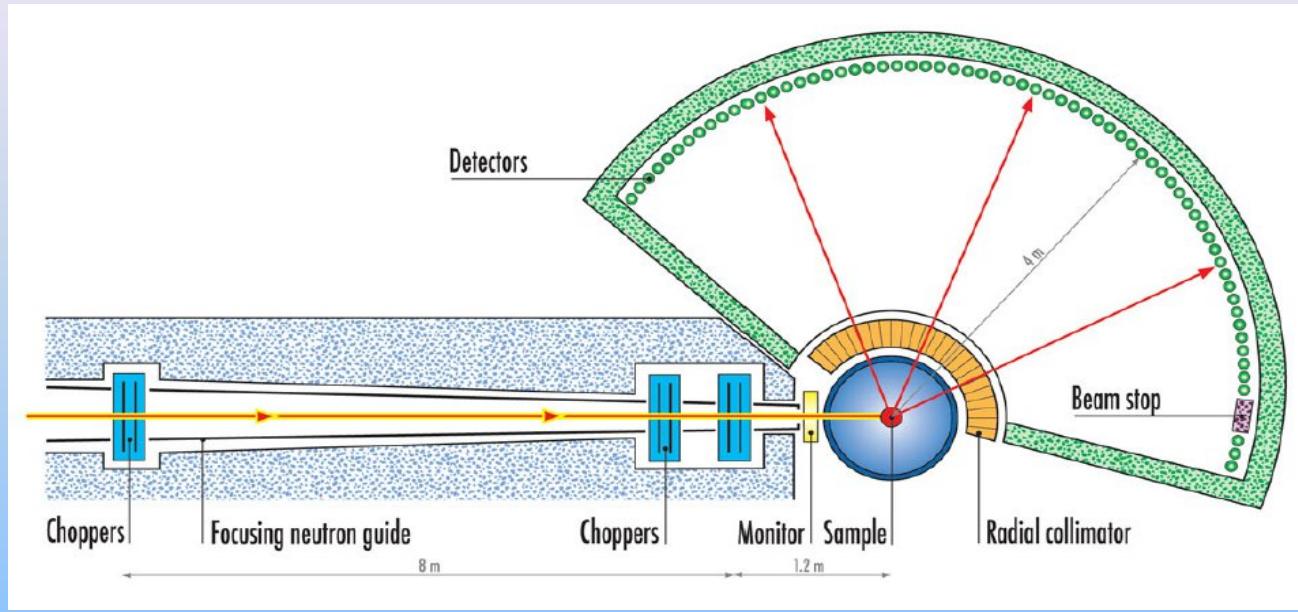
$M-(\eta^2\text{-H}_2)$ Bonding



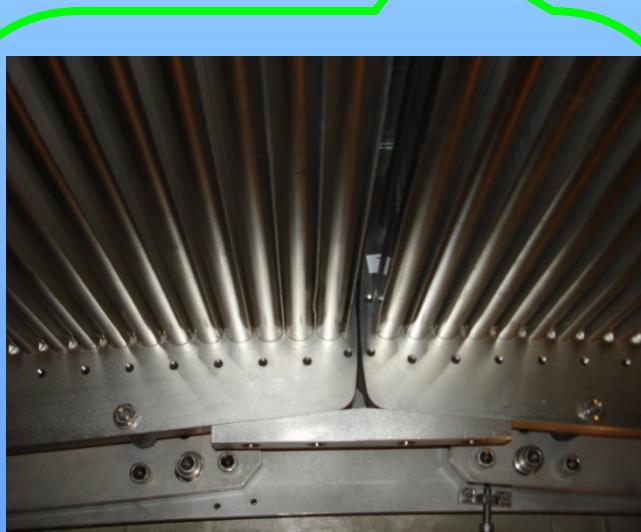
Non-classical Hydrides and Rotational Tunnelling Spectroscopy



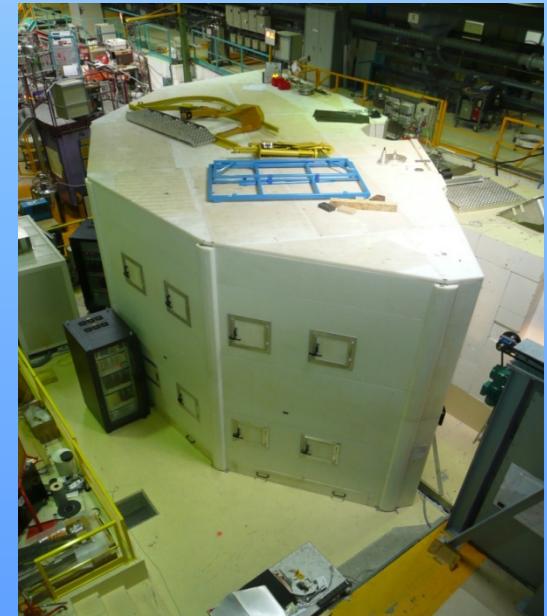
The new IN5 Spectrometer



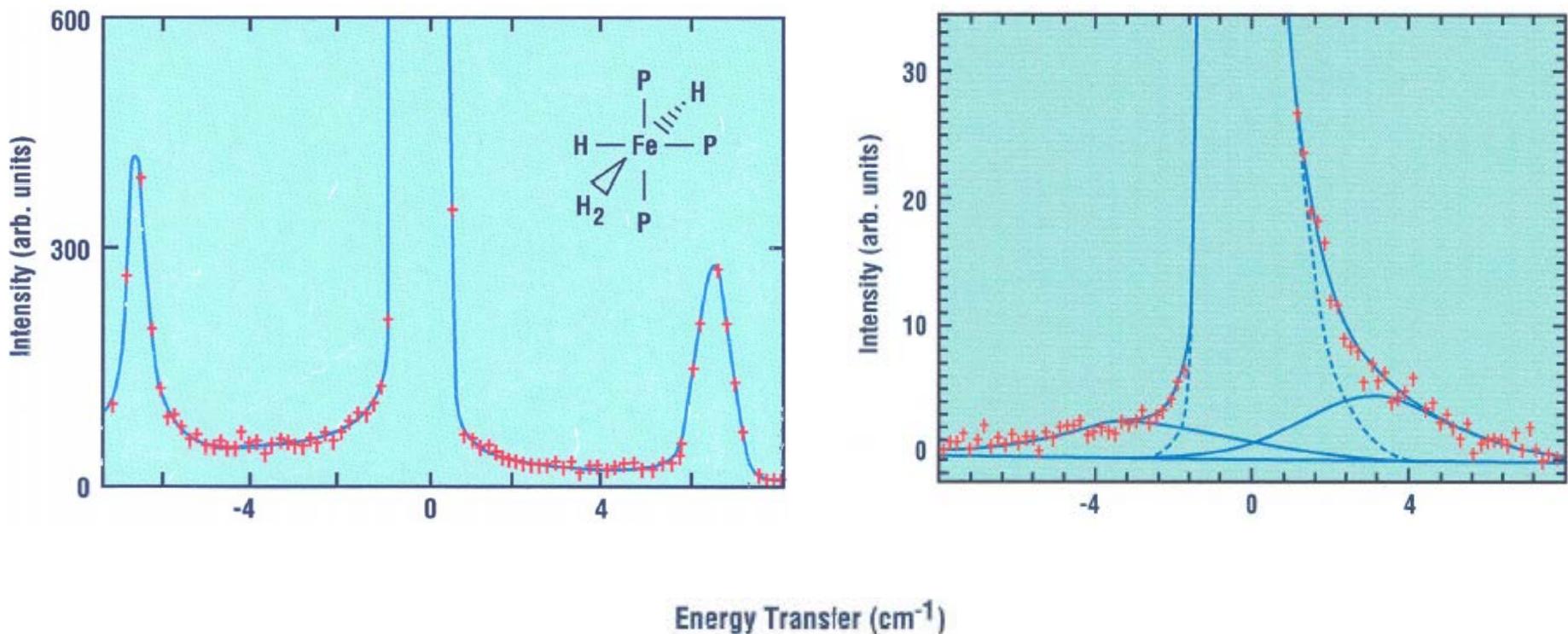
Detectors



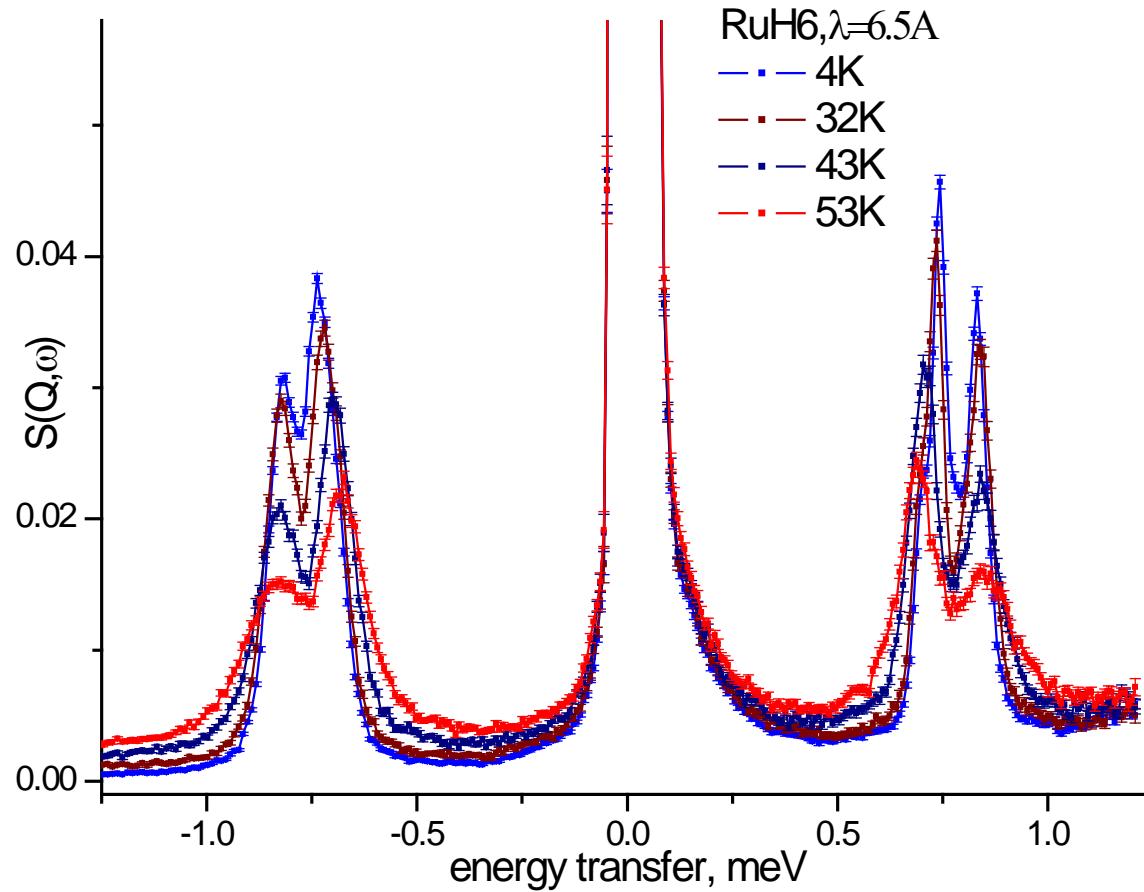
Effective Height 3.0 m
 $\sim 3000 \text{ L } ^3\text{He} + 570 \text{ L } \text{CF}_4$
4.75 bar ^3He + 1.25 bar CF_4
147.5° Hor - $\pm 20.55^\circ$ vert



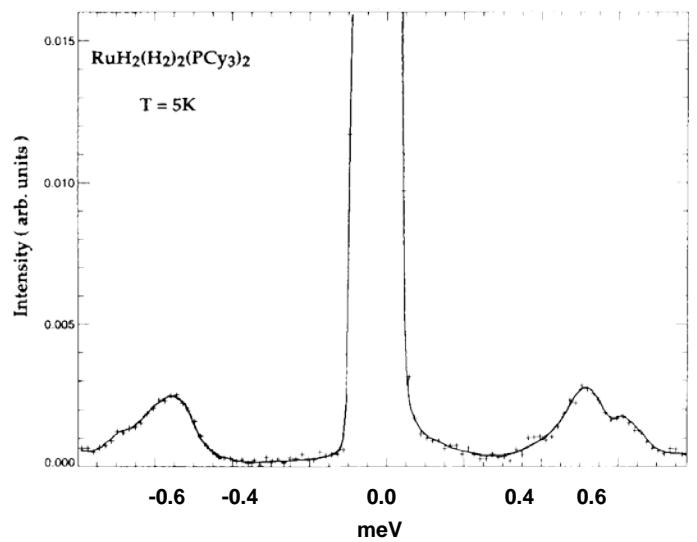
Rotational Tunnelling in $[\text{Fe}(\text{H})_2(\text{H}_2)\text{L}_3]$ and $[\text{Ru}(\text{H}_2)(\text{H})(\text{dppe})_2]^+$



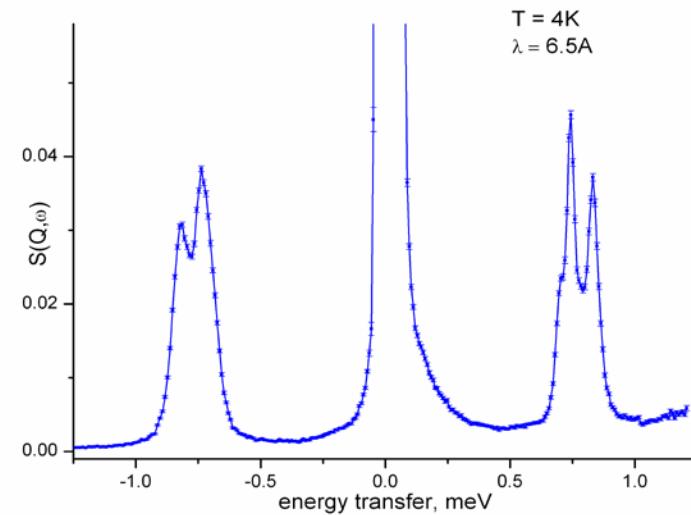
Rotational Tunnelling in Ru(H₂)₂(H)₂(Pcyp₃)₂



Rotational Tunnelling in Ru(H)₂(H₂)₂L₂

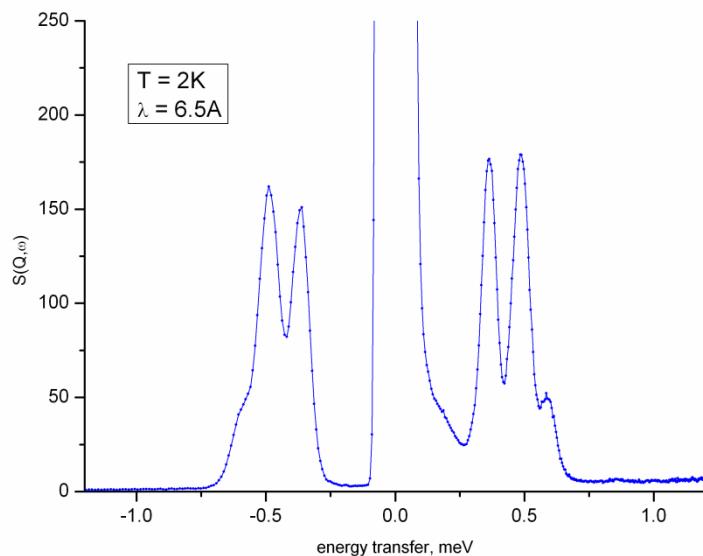


L = P(cy)₃



L = P(cyp)₃

V_φ = 0.99, 1.09 kcal/mol

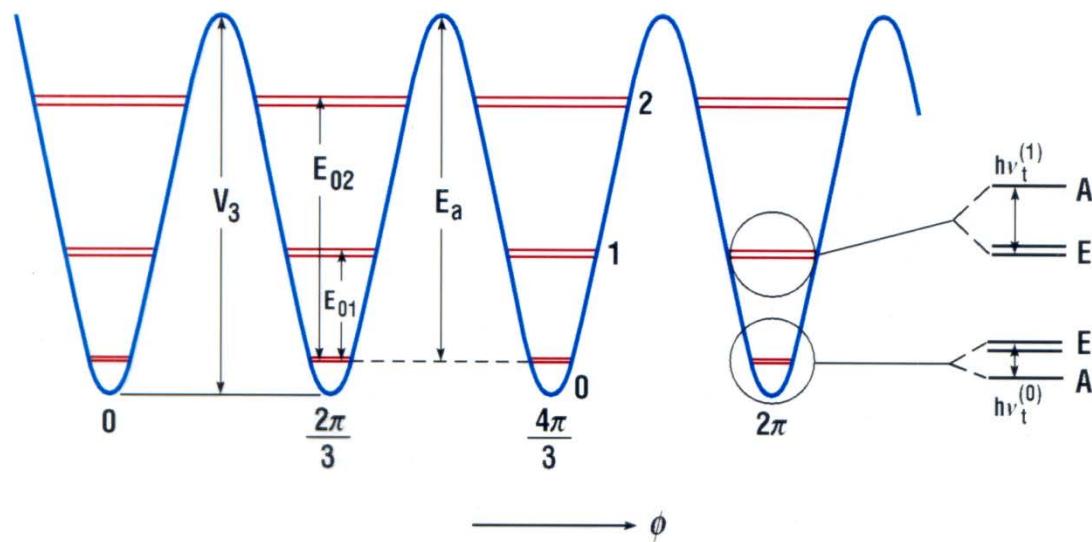


L = P(cy)₂(tBut)

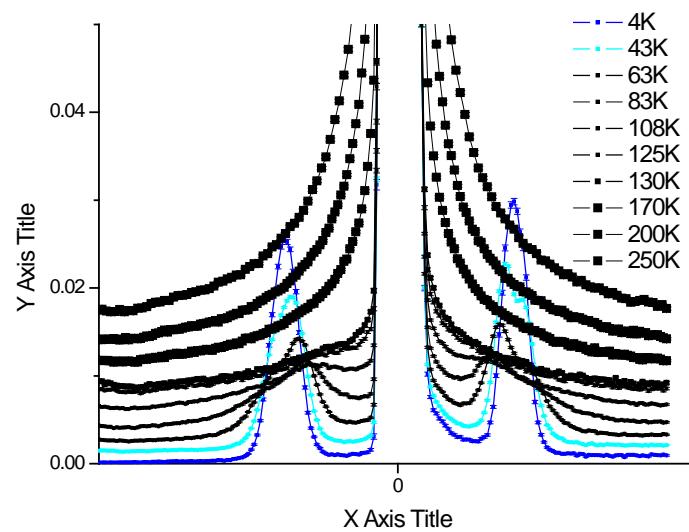
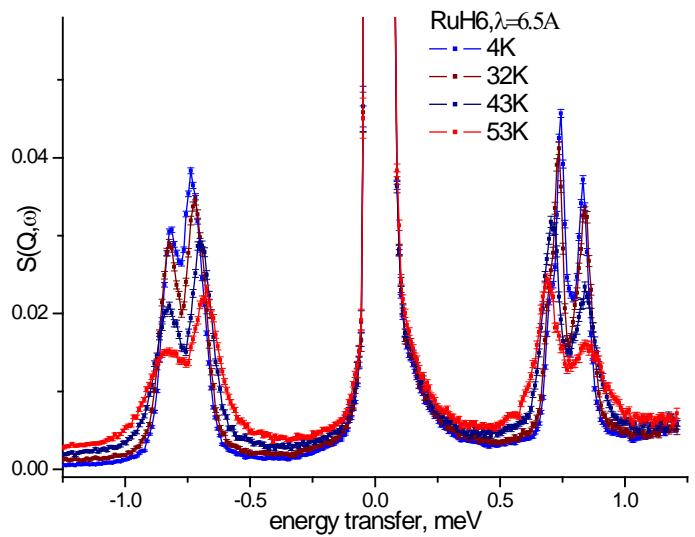
VIBRATIONAL FREQUENCIES and TUNNEL SPLITTINGS for M-H₂ COMPLEXES

Compound	$\nu(\text{H-H})$ [cm ⁻¹] (IR)	$\tau(\text{H-H})$ [cm ⁻¹]	ω_t [cm ⁻¹]	V_t [kcal/mol]
W(CO) ₃ (P iPr ₃) ₂ (H) ₂	2695	370 - 340	0.73	2.4
W(CO) ₃ (PCy ₃) ₂ (H) ₂	2690	380 - 325	0.89	2.2
[Fe(PPPP)(H)(H ₂)] ⁺		276 - 259	1.15	1.9
[Ru(PPPP)(H)(H ₂)] ⁺		225 – 184	2.58	1.6
IrBr(P iPr ₃) ₂ (H) ₂ (H ₂)			18.9	0.53
IrI(P iPr ₃) ₂ (H) ₂ (H ₂)			9.8	0.98

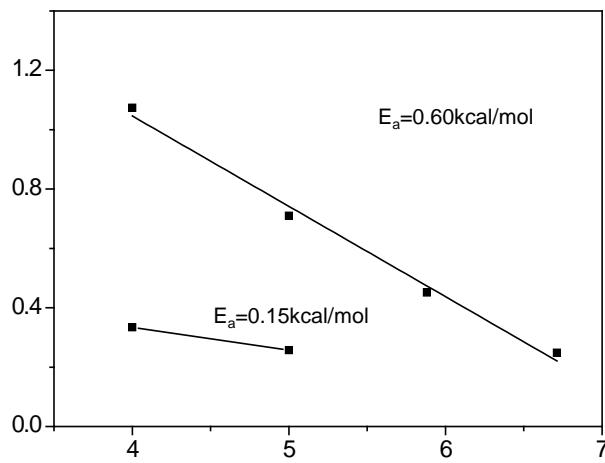
A Schematic Diagram of the Energy Levels of a Methyl Rotor In a Three-Fold Potential

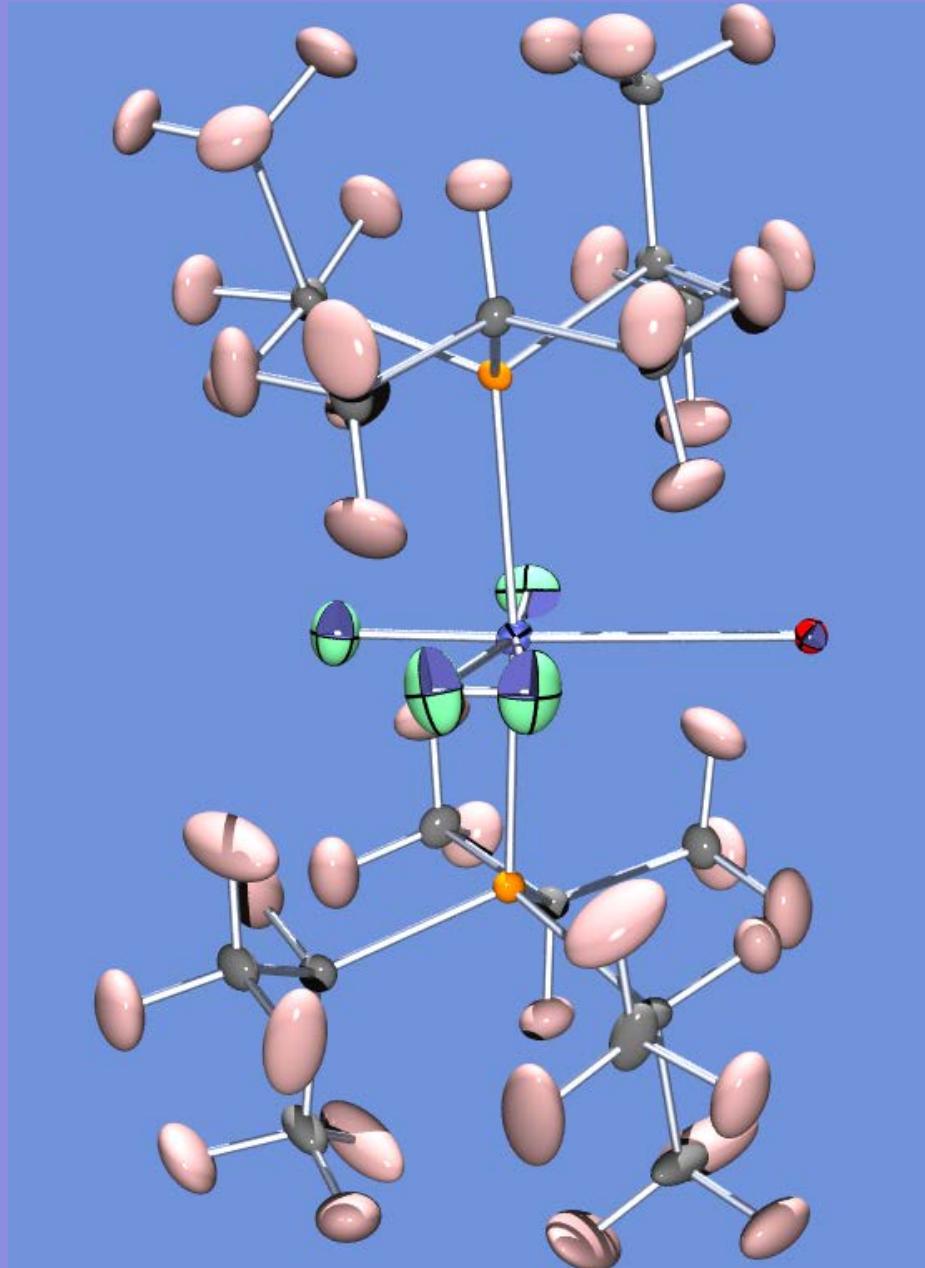


Rotational Tunnelling in Ru(H₂)₂(H)₂(Pcyp₃)₂

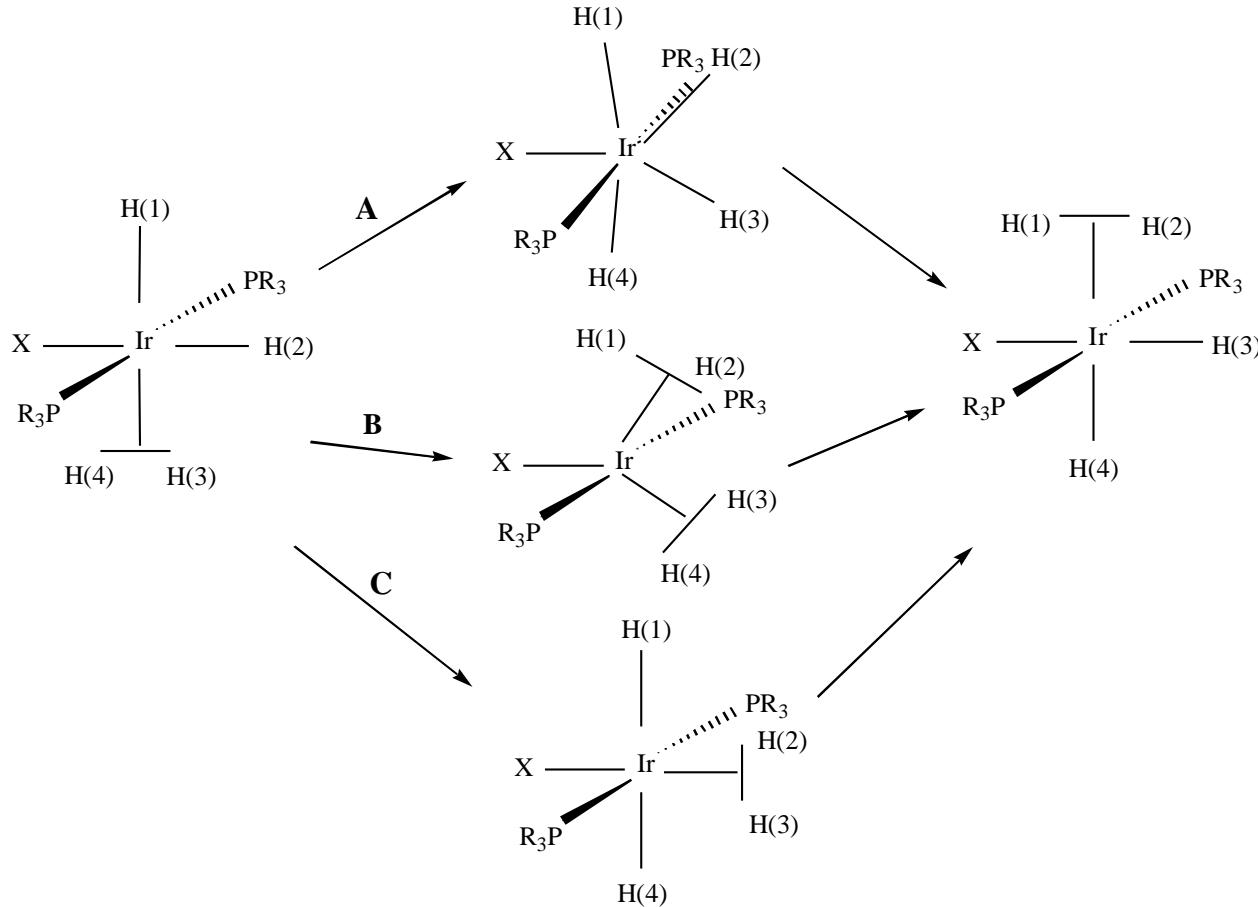


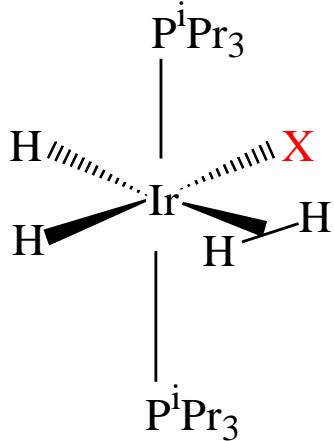
$$\Gamma(T) = \Gamma_0 e^{-\left(\frac{E^*(T)}{kT}\right)}$$



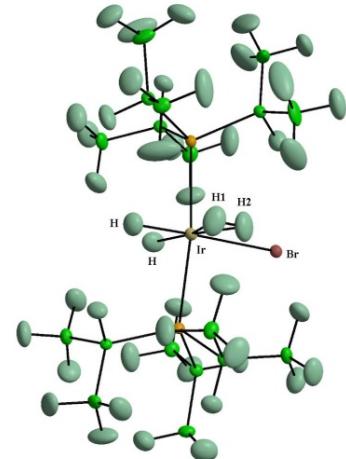


Dihydrogen-Hydride Exchange in $(^i\text{Pr}_3\text{P})_2\text{IrX}(\text{H})_2(\text{H})_2$



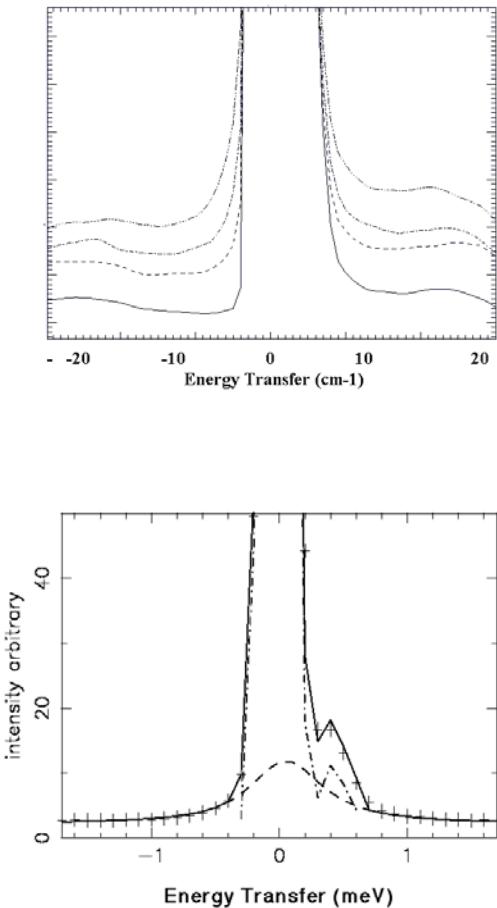


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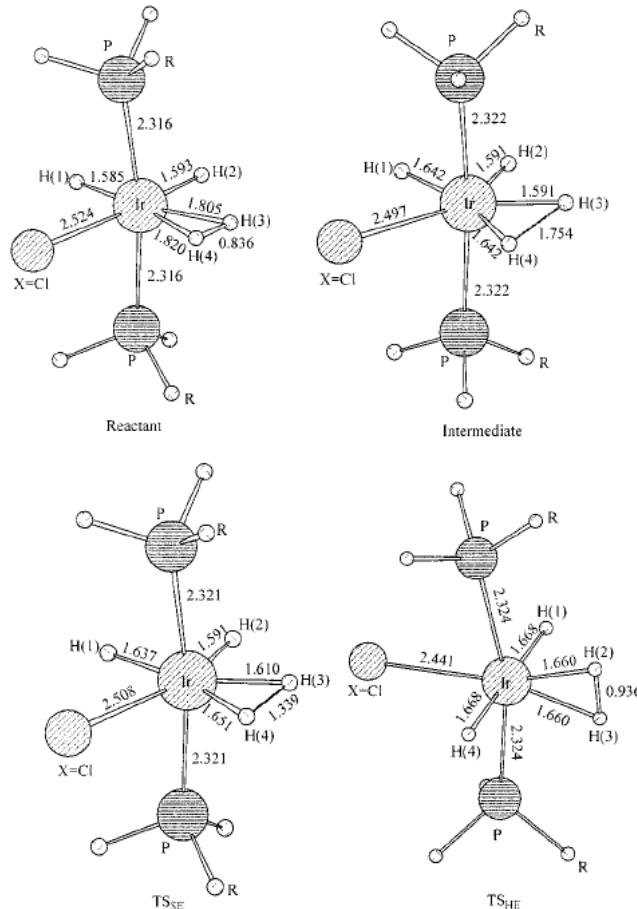


X	Cl	Br	I
Rotat. tunnelling freq. (ω , cm^{-1})	20	19	6
Rotat. barrier $\mathbf{V}^2_{\text{exp}}$ (kcal/mole)	0.51(3)	0.48(3)	1.00(4)
Rotat. barrier \mathbf{V}_{calc} (PMMe_3 / PH_3 kcal/mole)	0.37 (2.04)	0.42 (2.11)	0.66 (2.32)
H-H (exp)	0.78 (INS)	0.819(8)	0.856(9)
H-H (calc)	0.853	0.857	0.862

$(iPr_3P)_2IrX(H)_2(H)_2$: Observed and Calculated Exchange Energies (QENS & B3LYP)

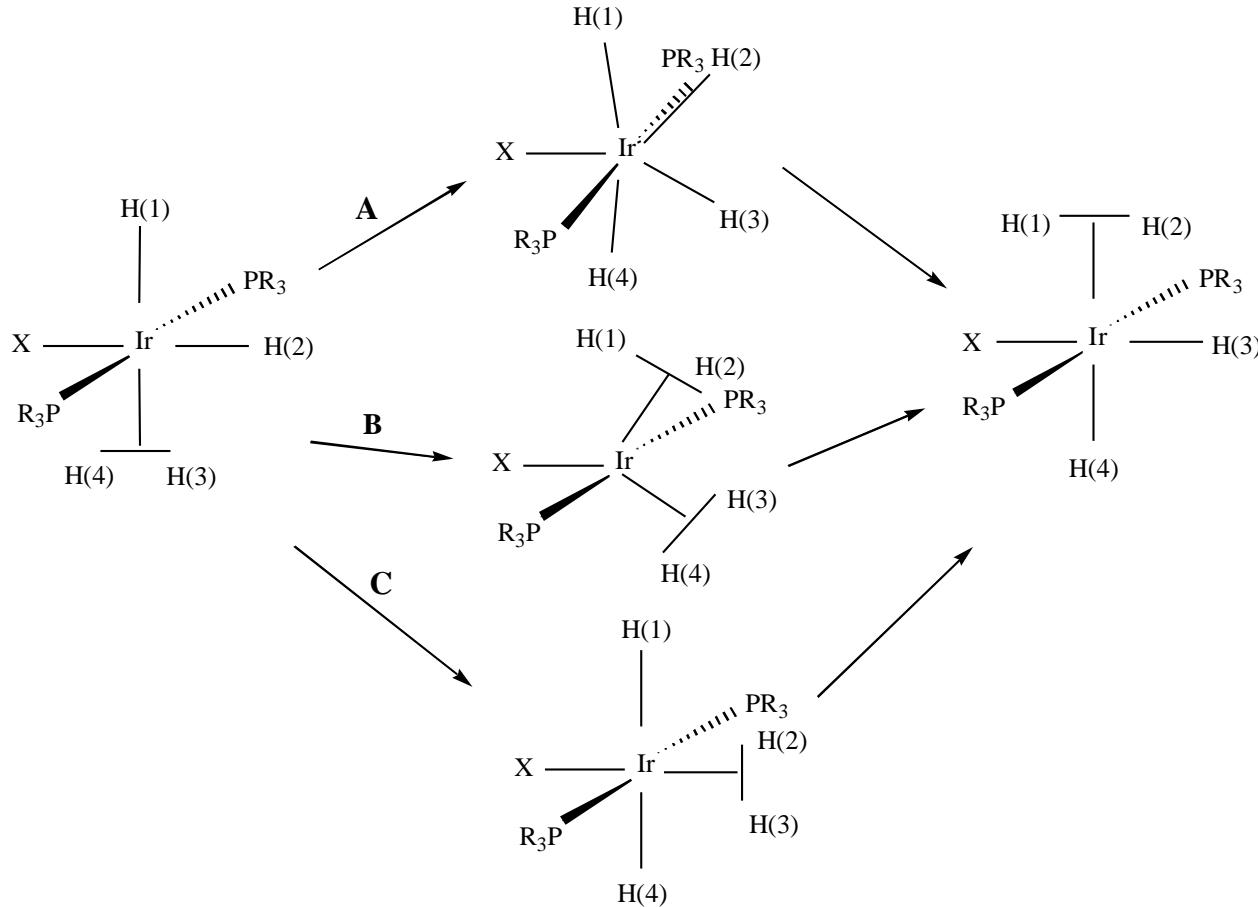


Data @ 100, 175, 210, 250 K
 $\Delta E_a = 1.5(2) \text{ Kcal/mol}$



B3LYP/BS4 (reactant, intermediate, TS's)
 $\Delta E_{\text{TS}} = 1.87 \text{ kcal/mol}$

Dihydrogen-Hydride Exchange in $(^i\text{Pr}_3\text{P})_2\text{IrX}(\text{H})_2(\text{H})_2$



The Hydrogen Storage Problem

Hydrogen as an Energy Vector

• Jules Verne *The Mysterious Island (1874)*.

"... hydrogen and oxygen which constitute [water], used singly or together, will furnish an inexhaustible source of heat and light..."

• Max Pemberton *The Iron Pirate (1893)*.

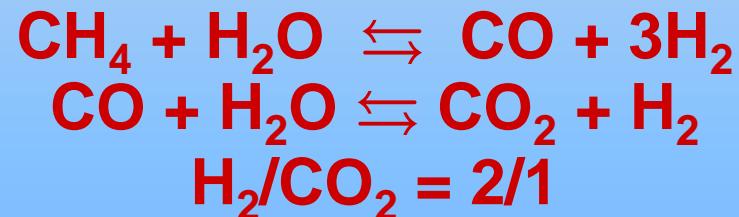
hydrogen from coal " ...fuels the most powerful engines that have yet been placed on a battleship ..." "

Hydrogen Production

Energy wise 3.8Lt gasoline ~ 1Kg of H₂

Burning 3.8Lt gasoline produces ~ 9Kg of CO₂

1 Kg of H₂ by electrolysis ≡ 32 Kg of CO₂



- Biomasses
- Photovoltaic
- Electrolysis + Nuclear Power (Solar Energy)

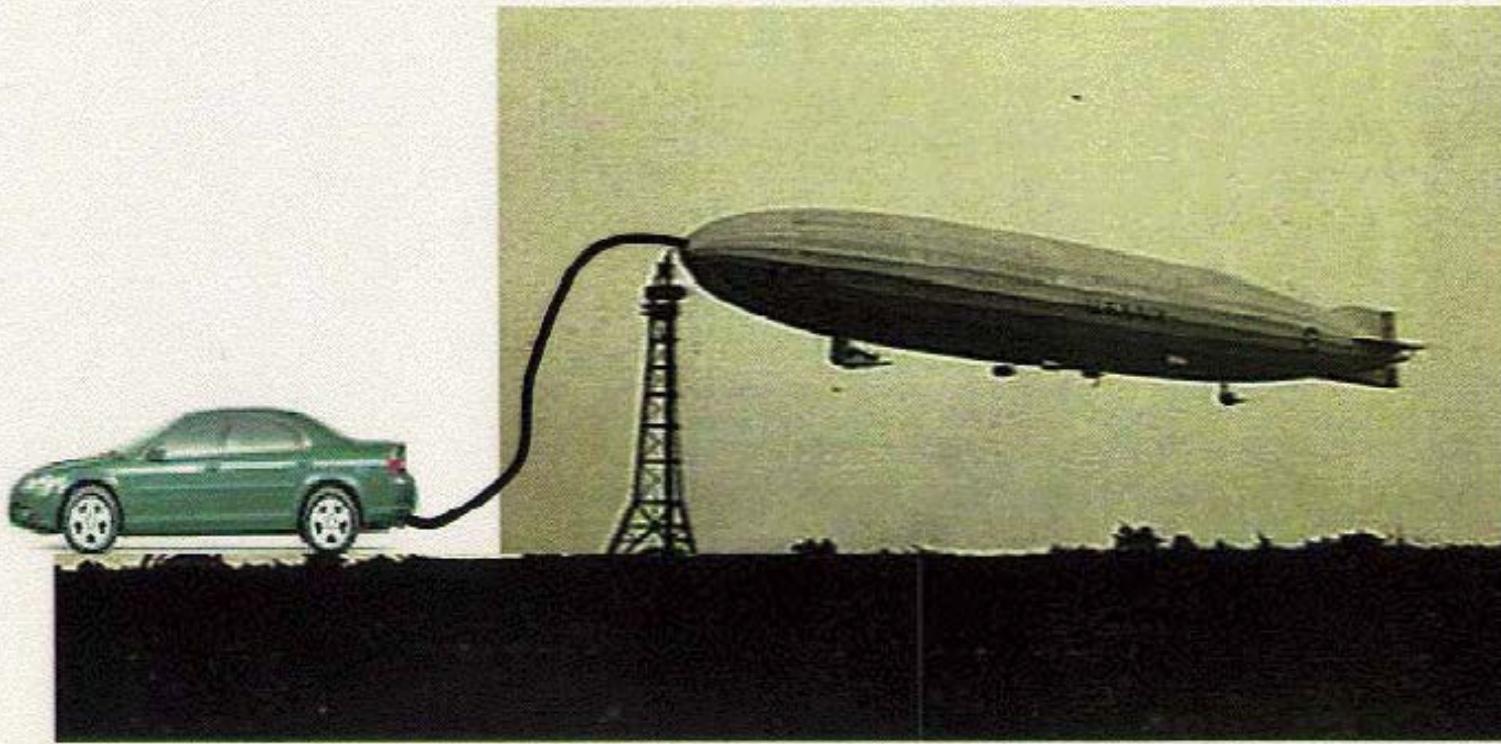
Parameters Values and Methods

- ▶ Capacity >6% wt, $60\text{kg H}_2/\text{m}^3$ at RT, $P<100$ bar.
~ 10% wt , at least, for the bare storage material itself.
- ▶ Thermodynamics and kinetics of the adsorption /desorption process. $-20 < Q_{st}(\Delta H) < -40 \text{ kJ/mol H}_2$; $D_{chem} > 10^{-9}\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$.
- ▶ Structural stability upon cycling/activation; Resistance against poisoning agents H_2O , CO , CO_2 , N_2 , etc. Cost and Environment safety.
- ▶ Microscopically probe the interactions between H_2 and individual adsorption sites – INS and Model calculations .

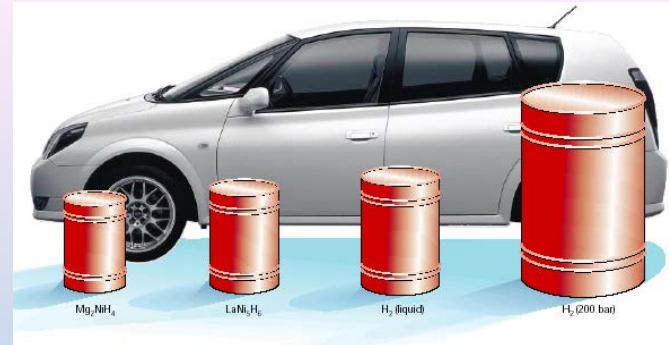
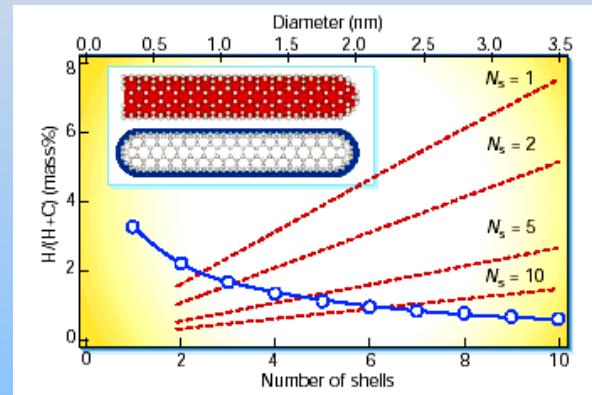
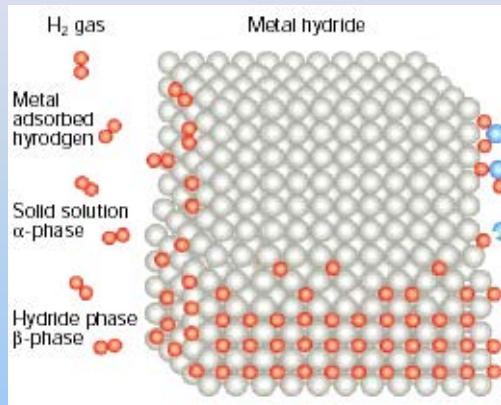


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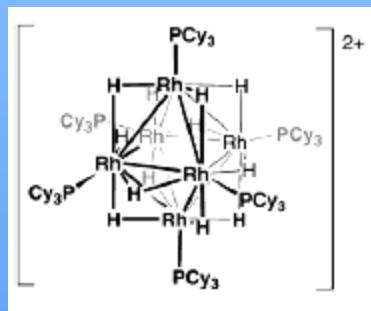
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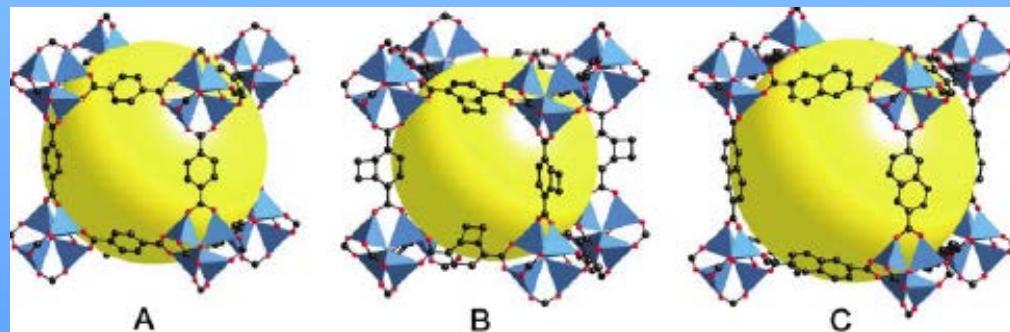
Proposed H₂ Storage Materials



Mg₂NiH₄ LaNi₅H₆ H₂(l) H₂ (200 atm)
4Kg Hydrogen



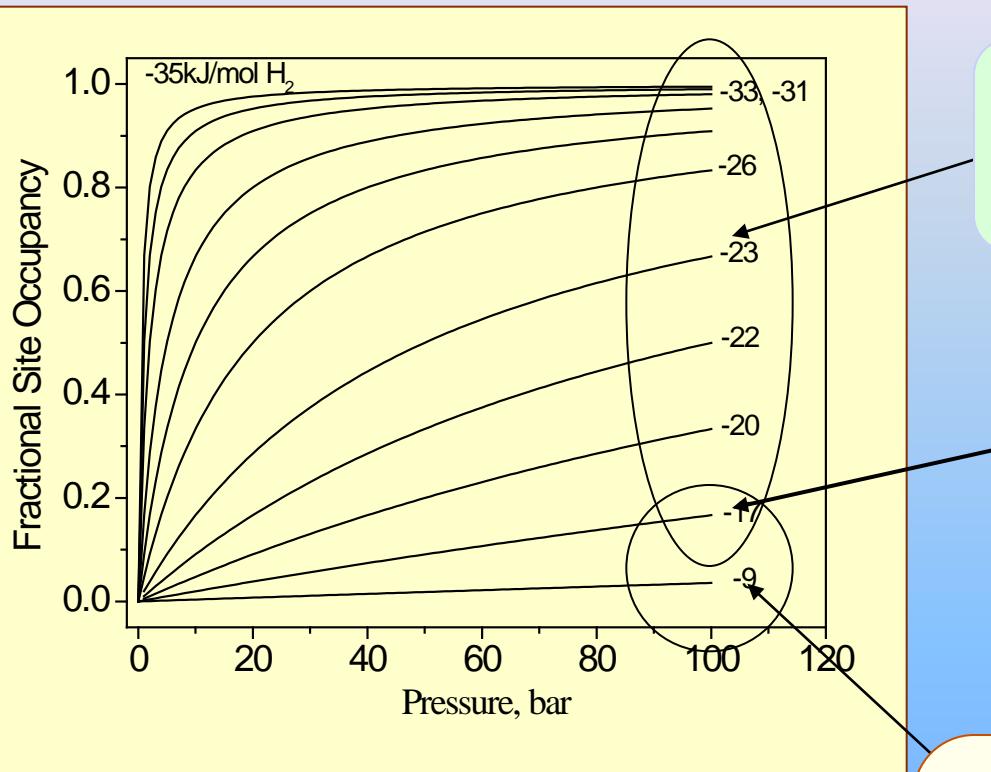
[Weller (2006)]



[Yaghi (2001)]



Expected Interactions and Associated Thermodynamics



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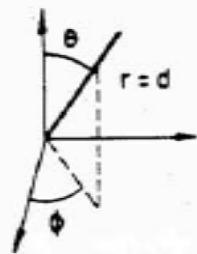
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Rotational Energy Levels of the Hydrogen Molecule

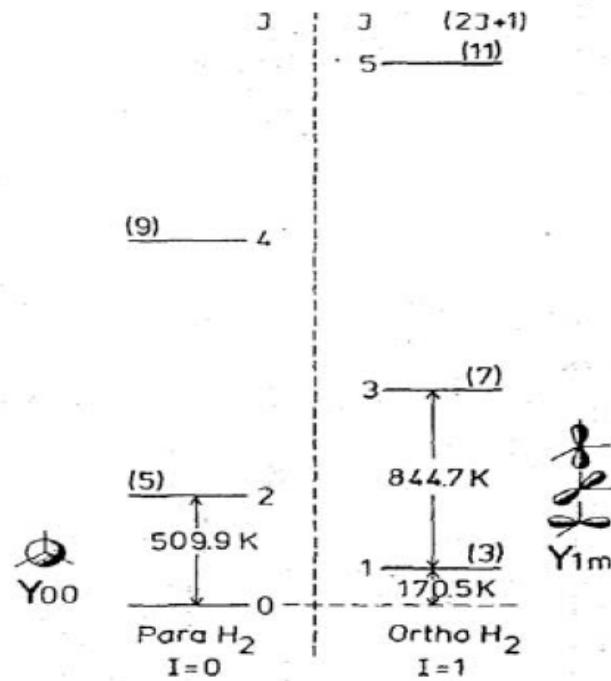
Symmetry Properties



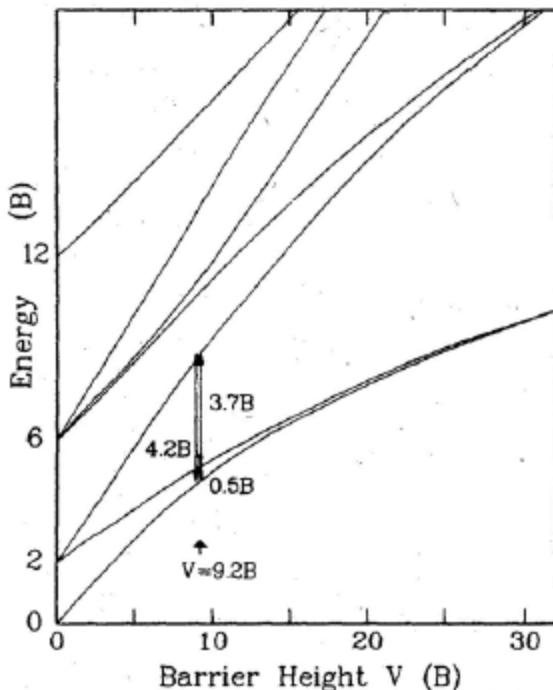
J	t	f	Y	v	I=0	Para
Even	AS	S	S	AS		
Odd	AS	S	AS	S		Ortho
					I=1	

$$\Psi = f(r) Y_{J,m_J}(\theta, \phi) v_I$$

Rotational Energy Levels
 $E = BJ(J+1)$



Introduction of a Barrier to Rotation of the H₂ Molecule

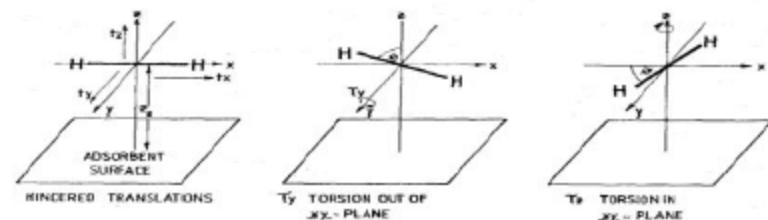


Some degeneracy in J levels is lifted

Note sensitivity to V of "0-1" transition
Levels depends on the form of the barrier

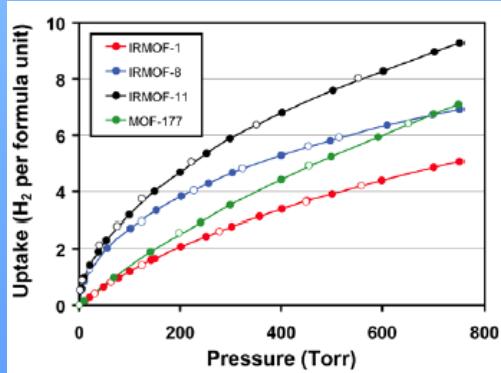
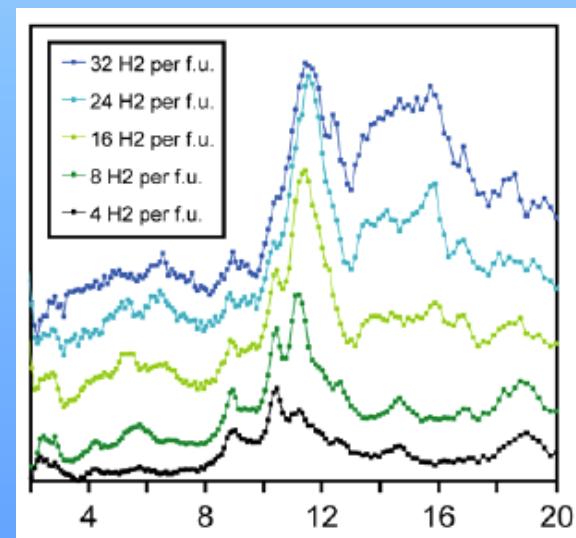
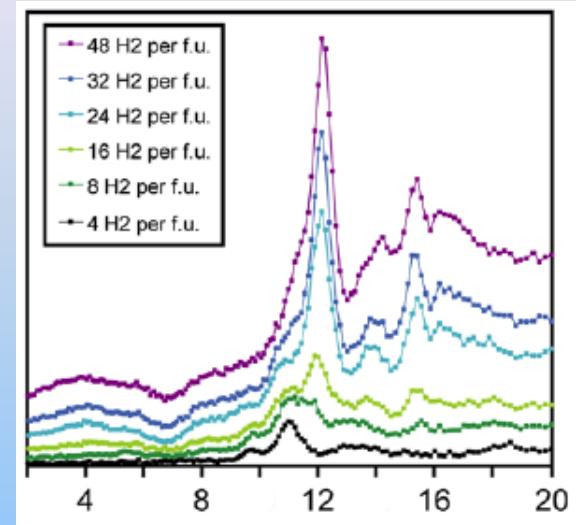
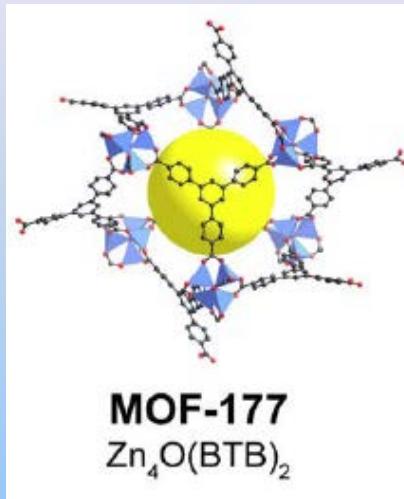
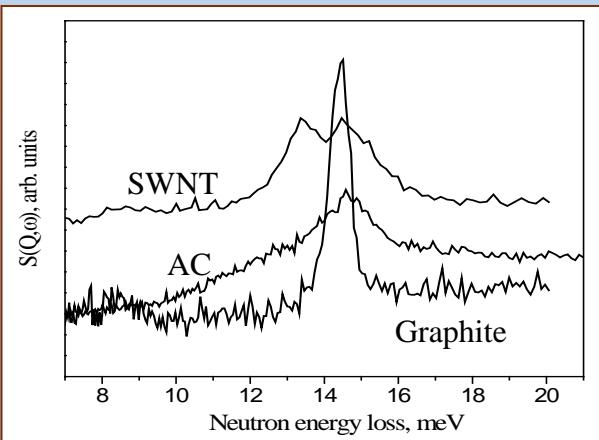
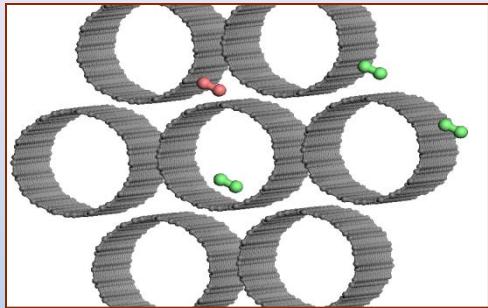
Transitions can be observed by neutron scattering - deduce barrier height V (as shown)

Barrier height can be compared with computational studies

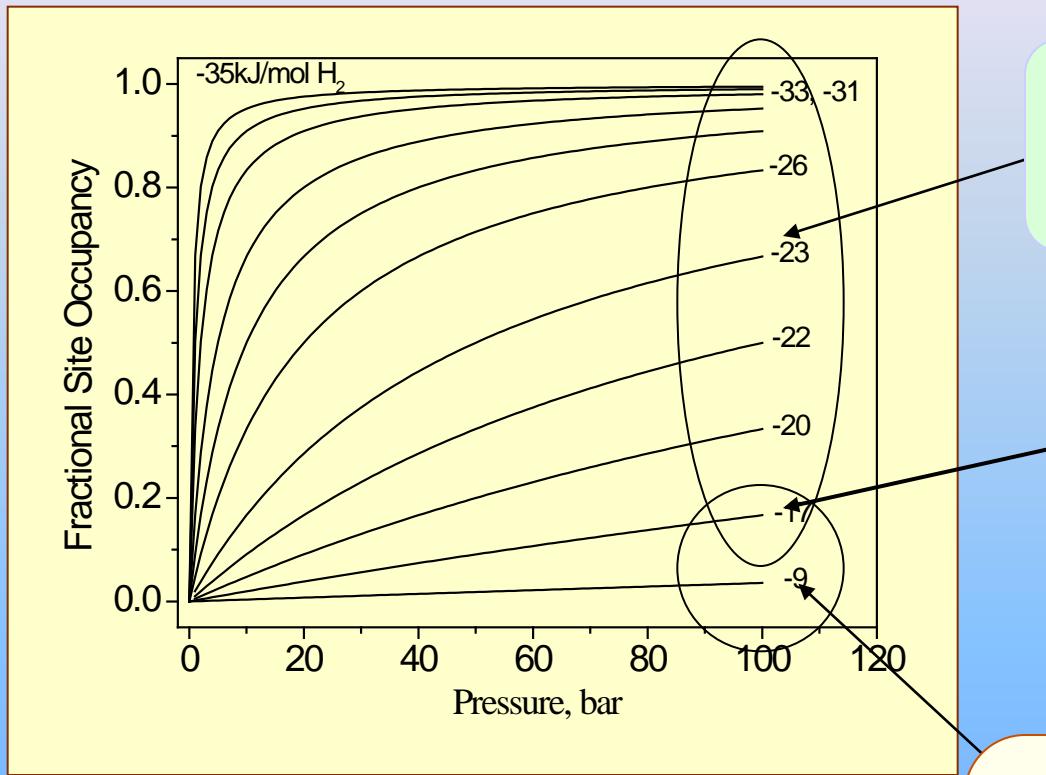


H_2 Absorption in Nanoporous Materials

SWCNT



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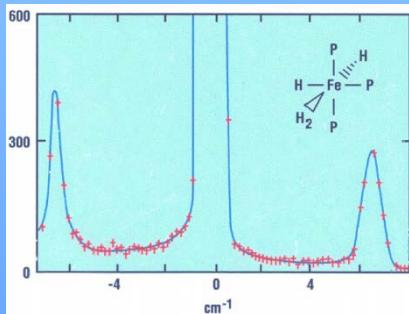
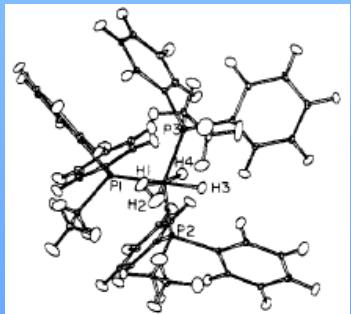
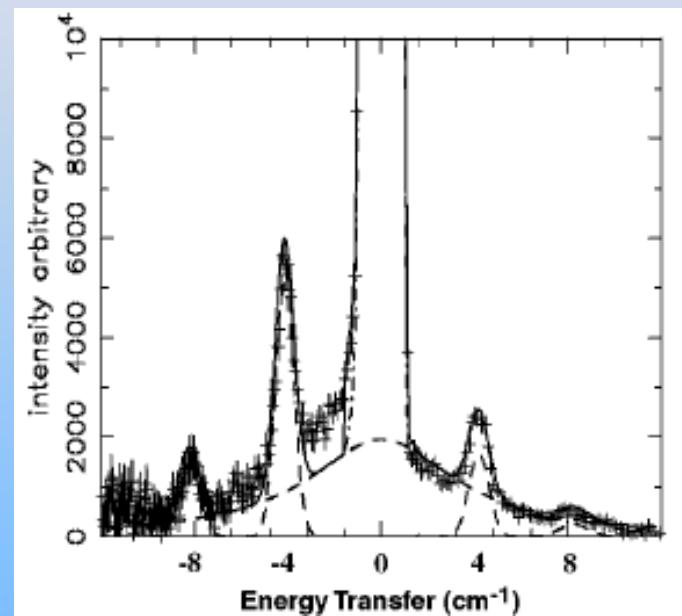
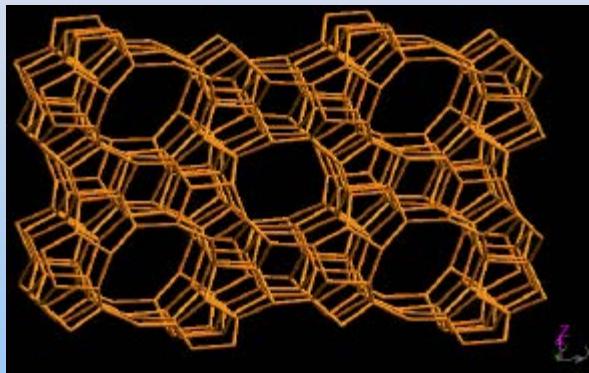
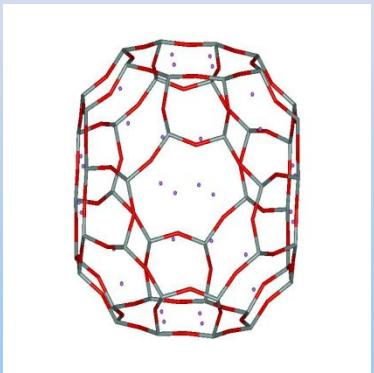
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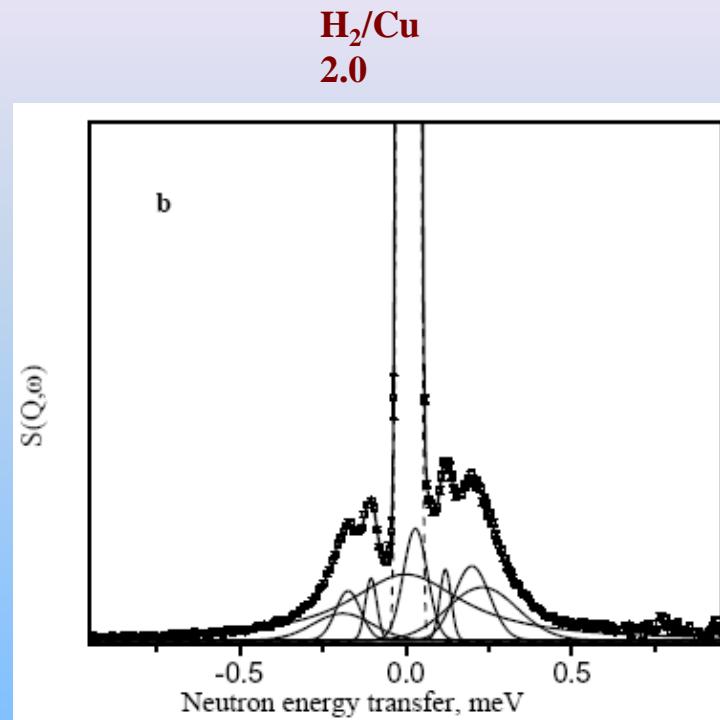
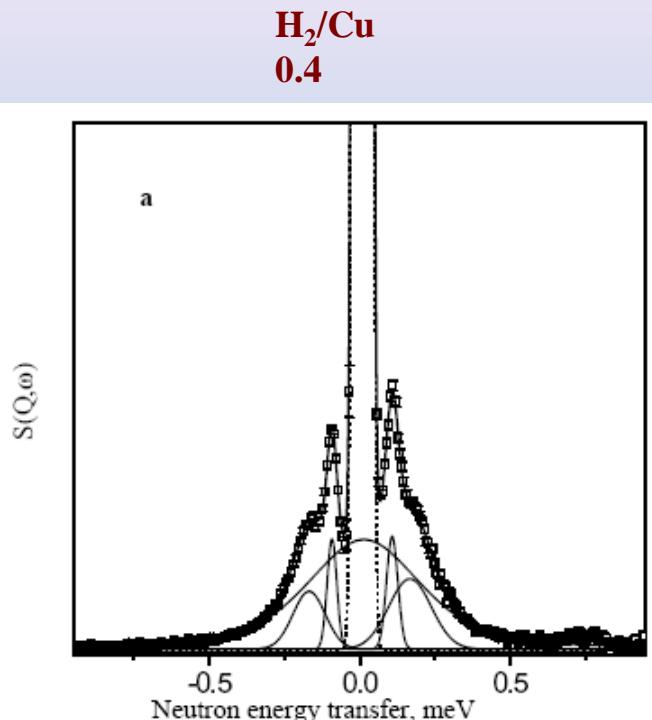
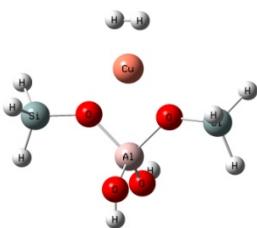
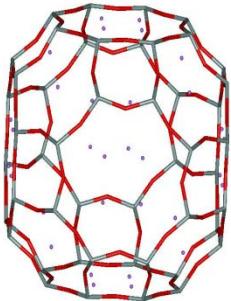
Chemisorption of H₂ in Fe -ZSM-5



$$\omega = 4.2(2) \text{ cm}^{-1} \quad 8.3(2) \text{ cm}^{-1}$$

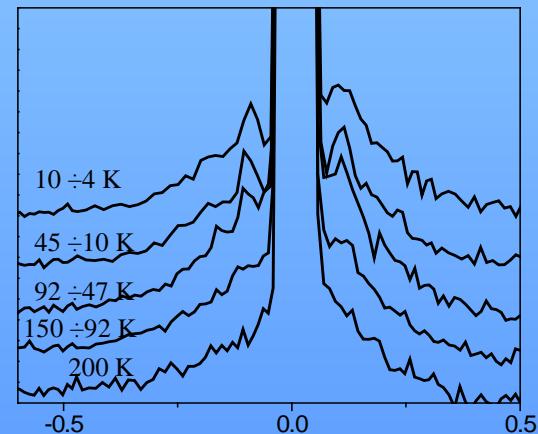
NEAT @5K - $\lambda = 5.1 \text{\AA}$

Chemisorption of Molecular Hydrogen in: Cu-ZSM5

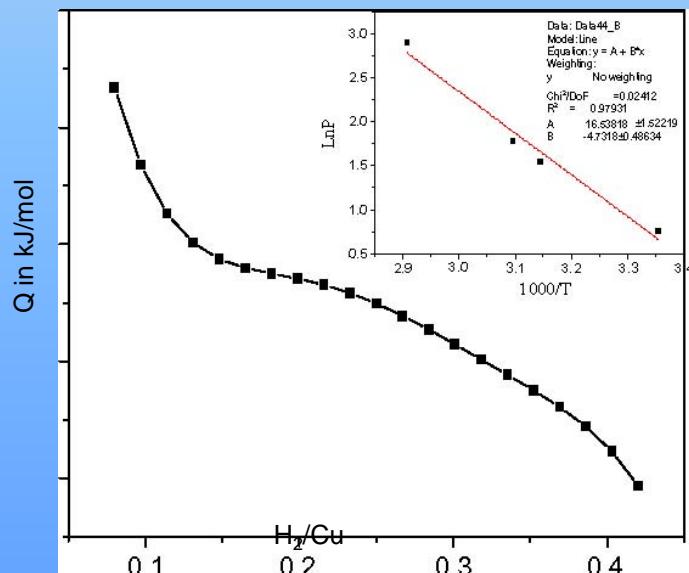
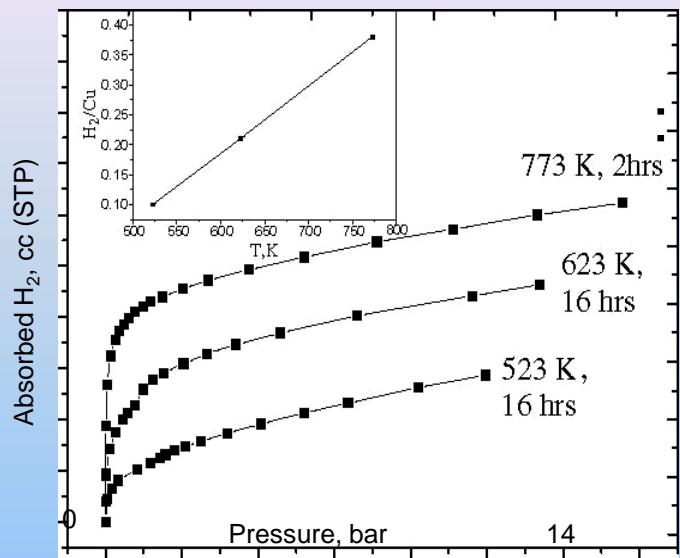


$\omega_\tau \quad 0.80 \text{ cm}^{-1} \quad 1.37 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

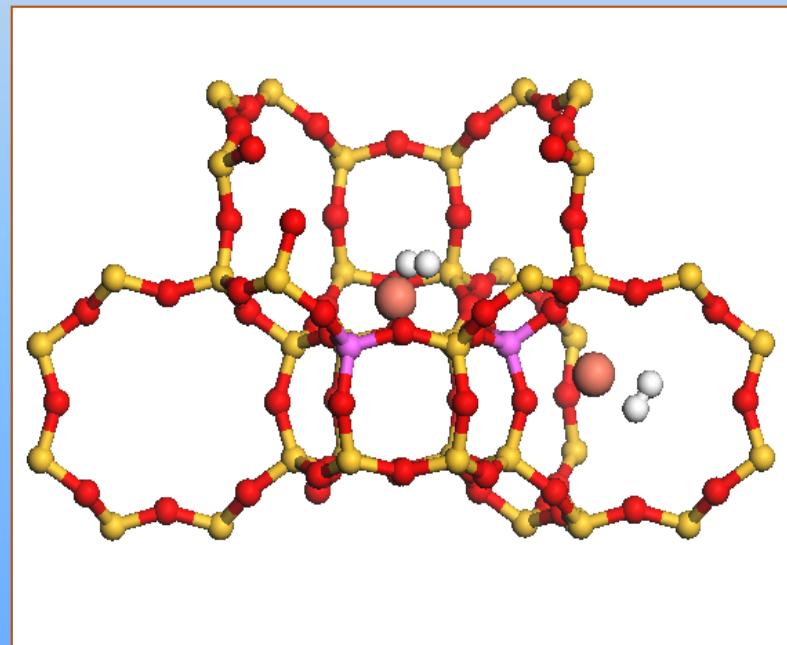
IN5 @4K - $\lambda = 7.0 \text{\AA}$



Dihydrogen Adsorption Isotherms - H₂ in Cu-ZSM5



Isosteric Heat of adsorption
H₂ on Cu 39 4 - 73 4 kJ/mol



Sorption Based Materials with Greater H₂ - Binding Energy

Molecular Chemisorption at Unsaturated Transition Metal Binding Sites

(can reach > 20 kJ/mol)



Density too high?

Bind Multiple
DihydrogenLigands



Not enough binding sites?

Lighter Metals: alkali,
alkaline earth hybrids



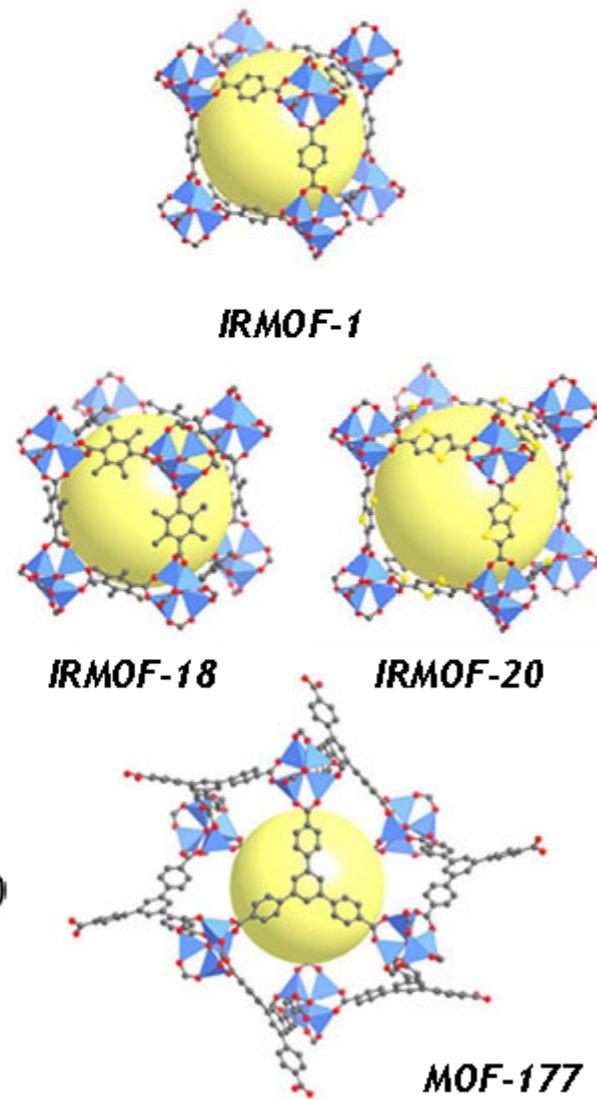
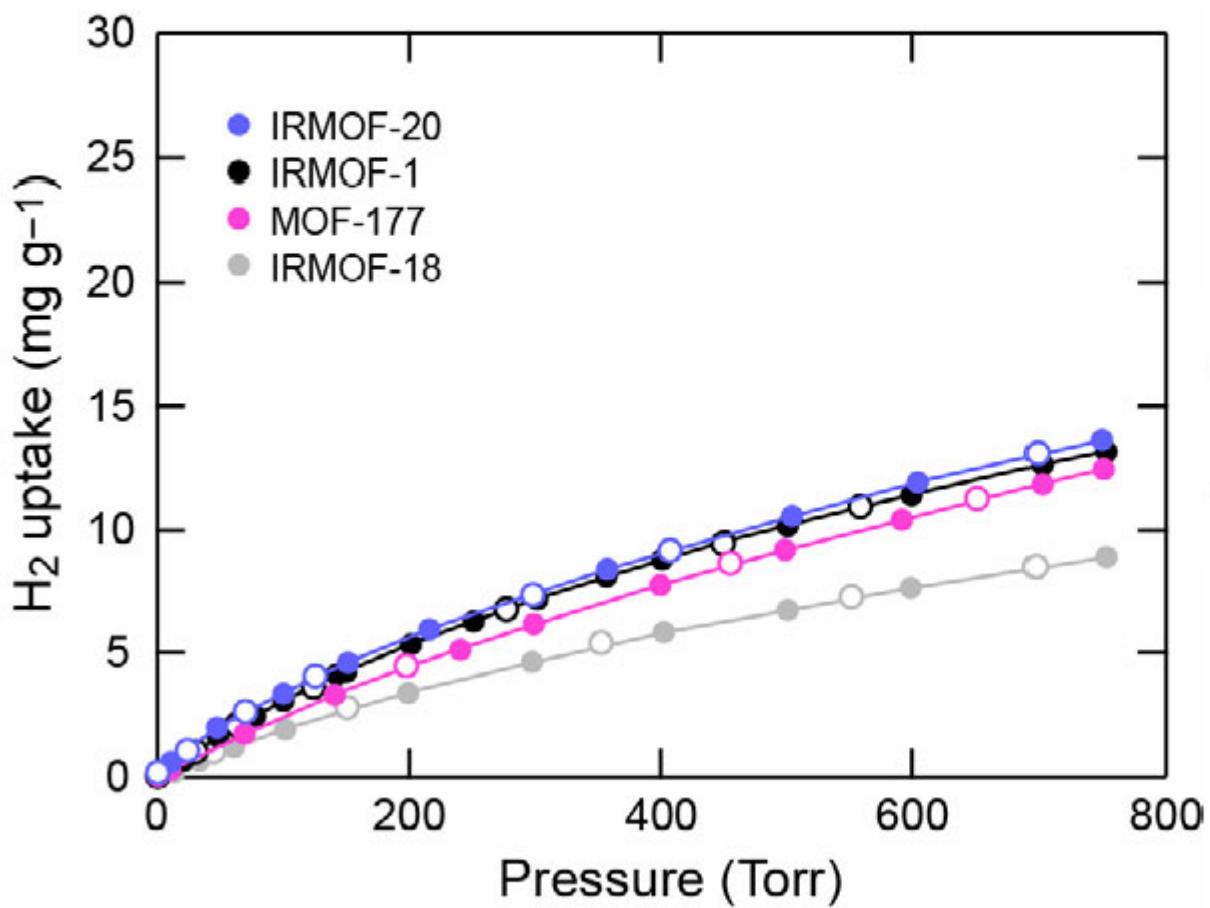
Framework modifications:
anionic frameworks,
different metals...



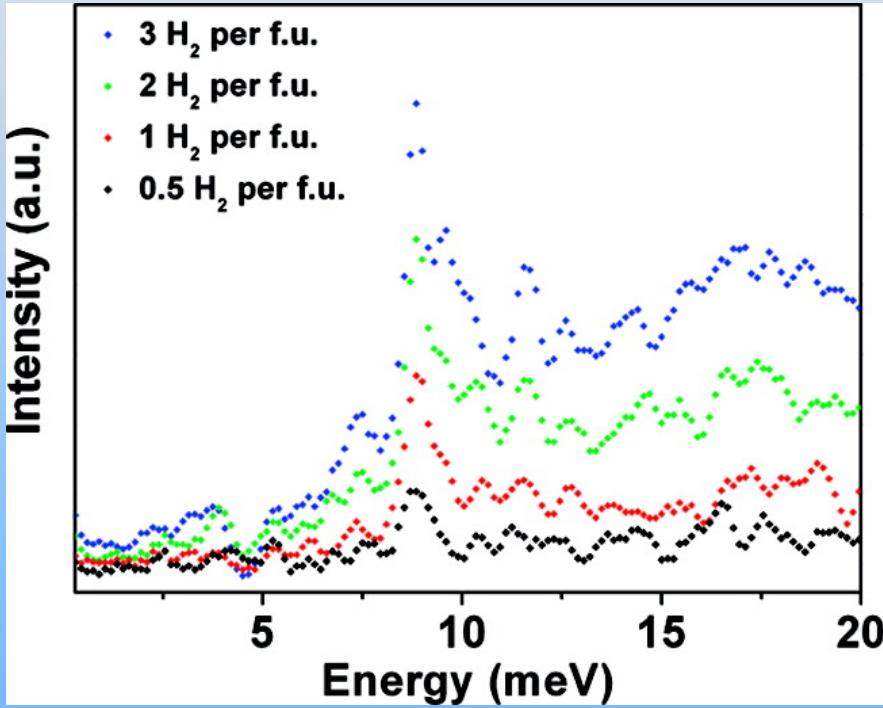
Combine two or more of these approaches in one material

H_2 Adsorption in Non-Catenated MOFs

Functionality has little impact on uptake

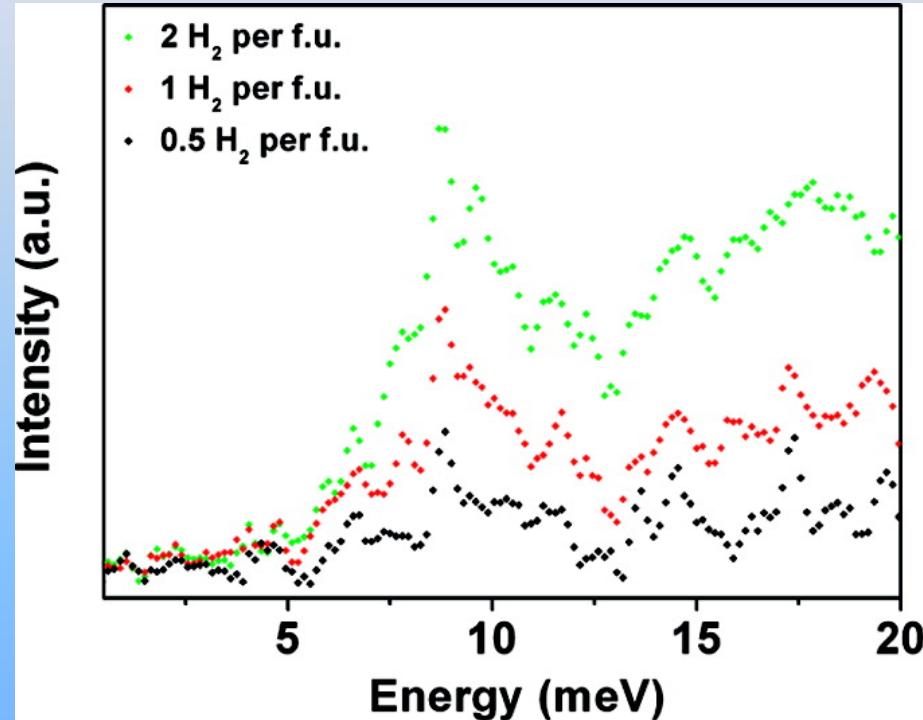


The Effect of Framework Catenation



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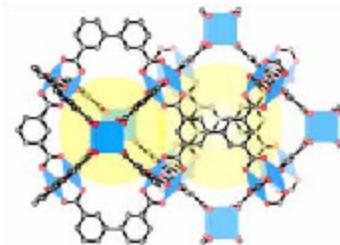
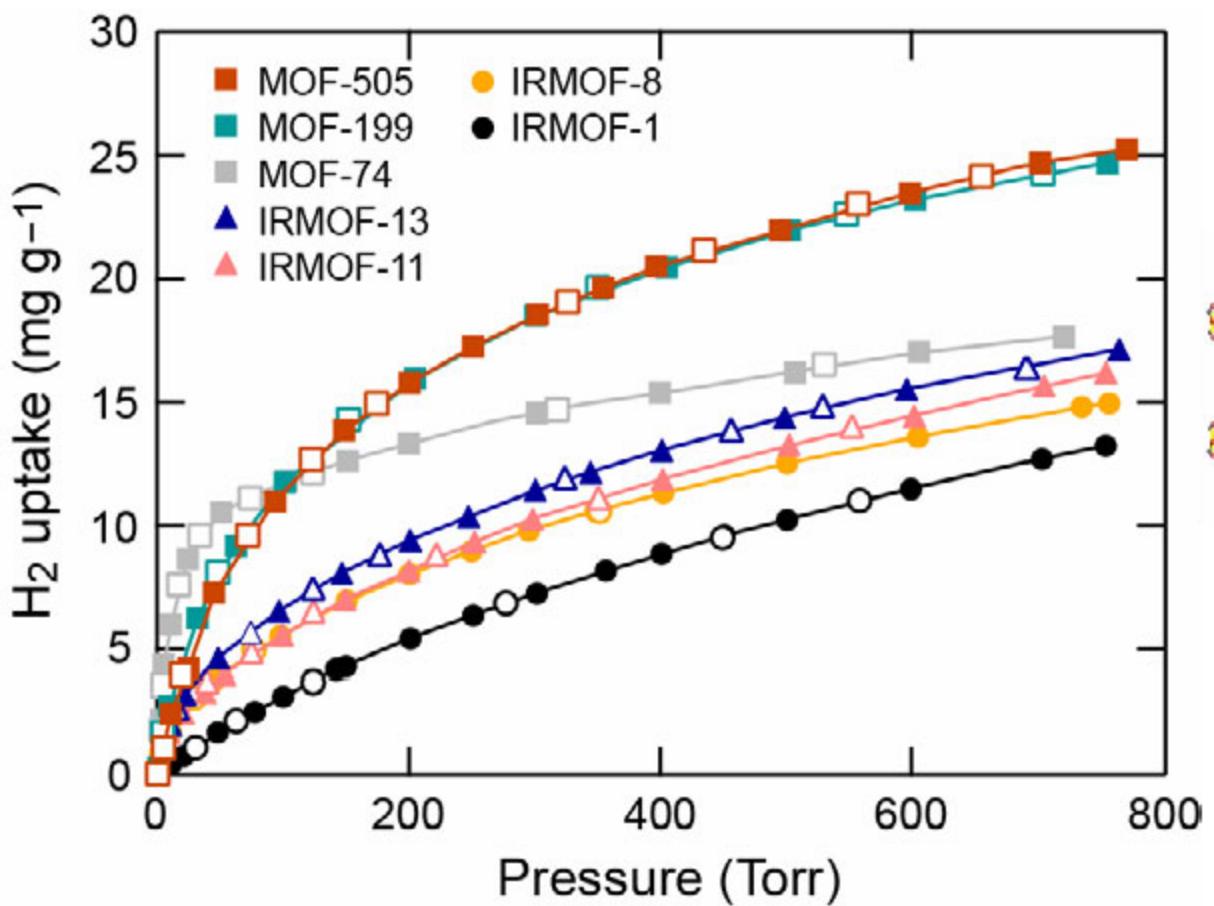
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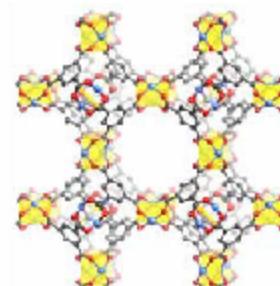
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H_2 Uptake by MOFs with Open-Metal Sites

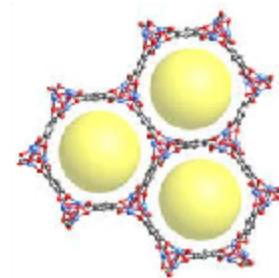
Open metal sites increase uptake by 70%



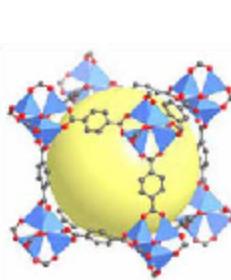
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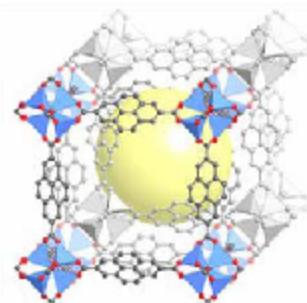
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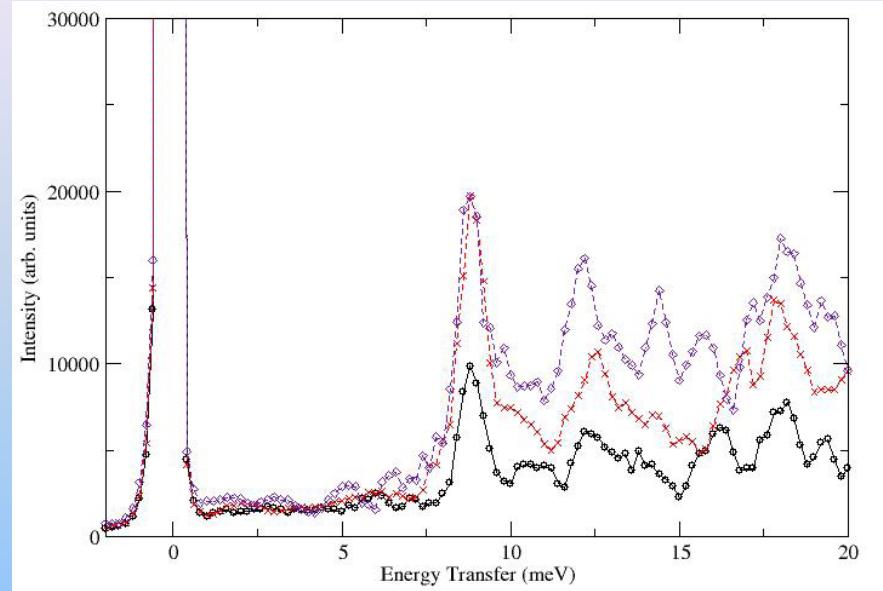
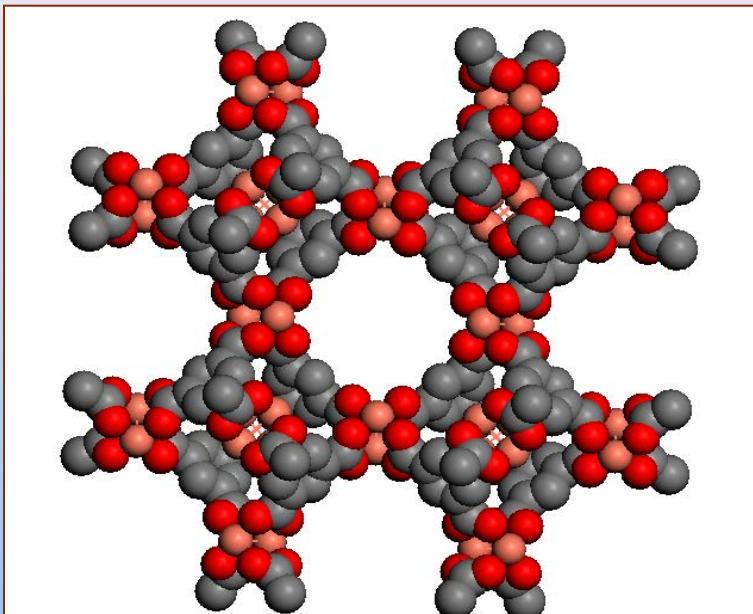


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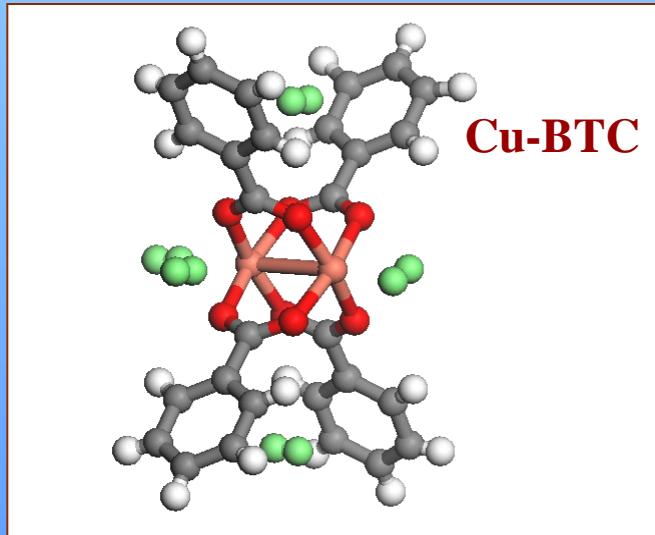


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Weak-H₂ Chemisorption - HKUST-1

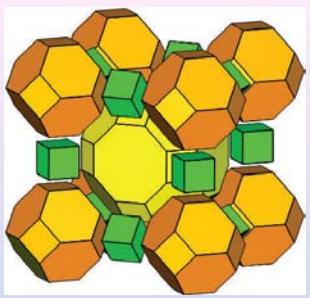


Peak at ~ 9.1 meV

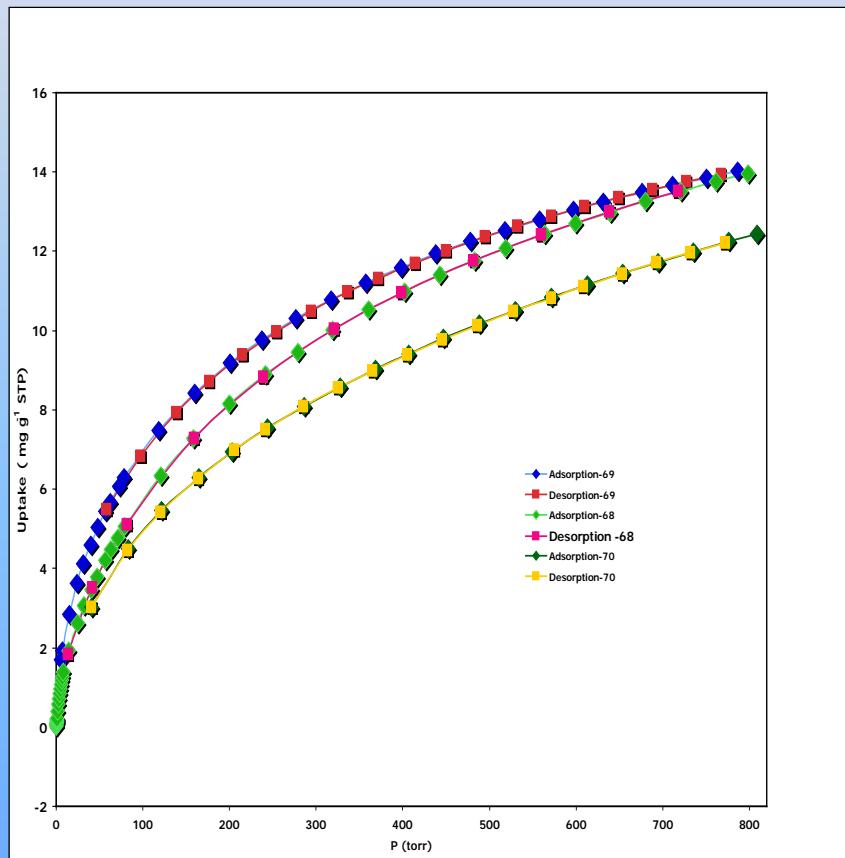


Aimed at achieving heats of
adsorption of ~20 kJ/mol H₂

S.S.-Y. Chui et al. Science 283, 1148 (1999)



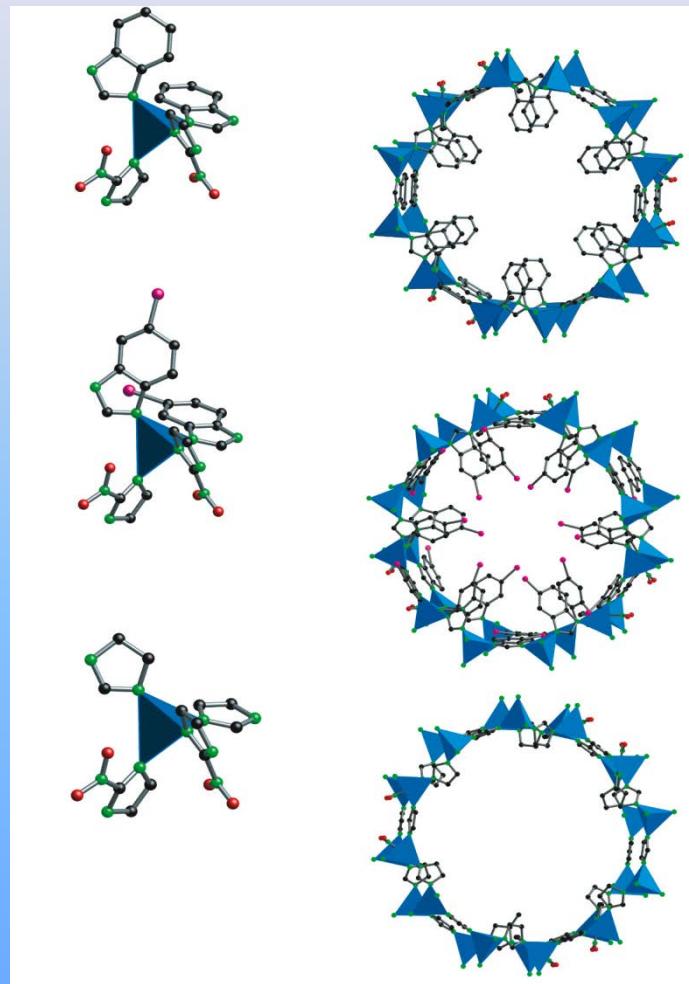
ZIF's: Zeolite Type Frameworks



ZIF-68

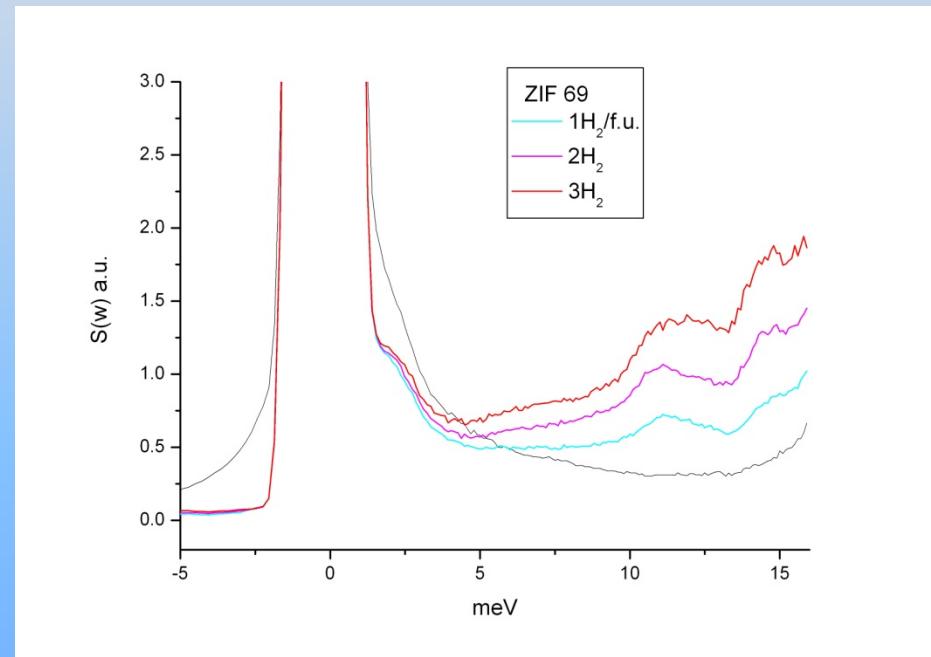
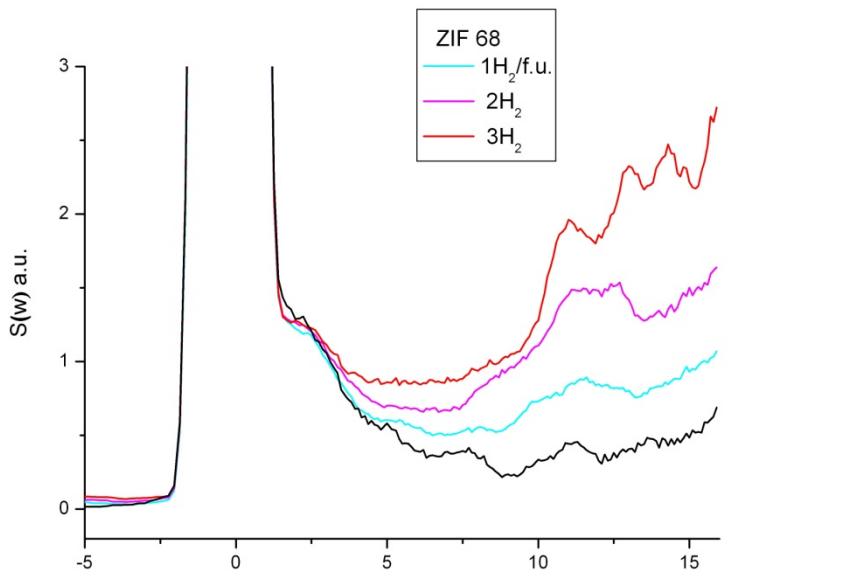
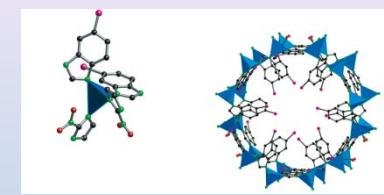
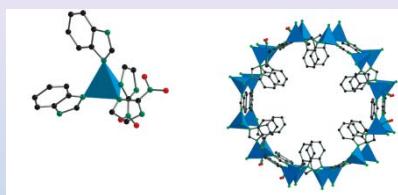
ZIF-69

ZIF-70



Cl substitution on benzene ring in ZIF-69

INS of H₂ in ZIF-68, ZIF-69



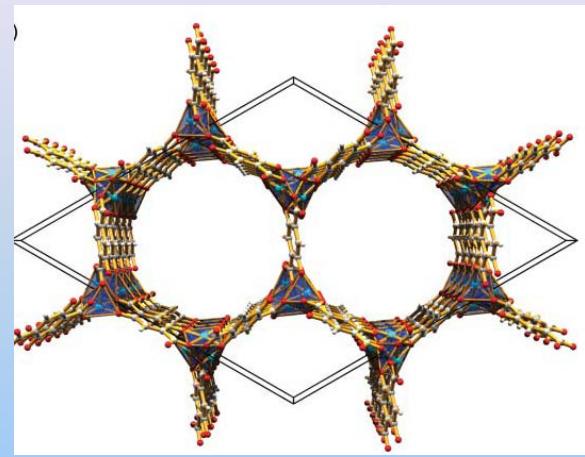
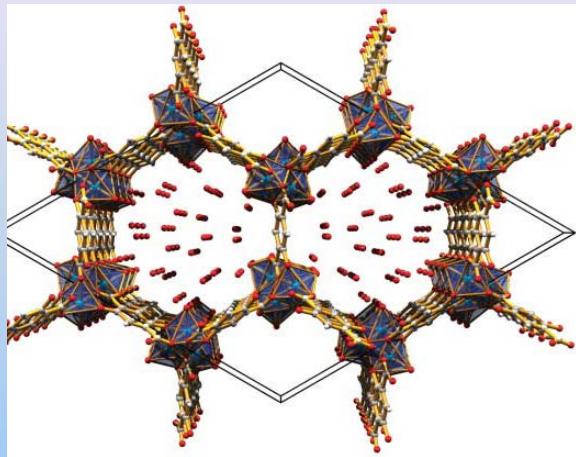
NEAT Spectrometer (BENSC) $T = 5K$

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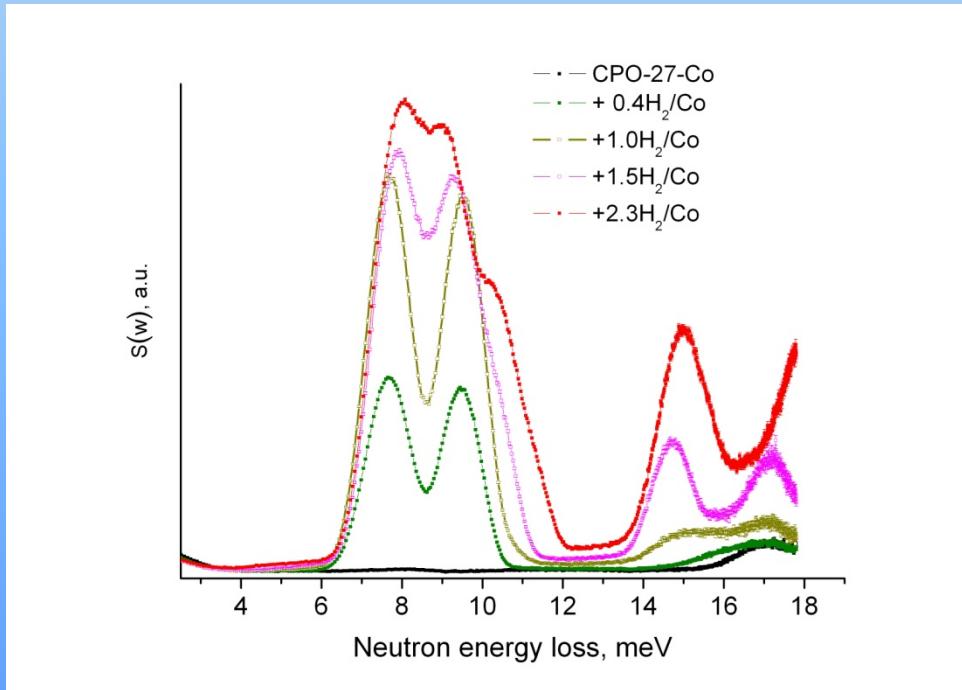
ZnN₄ cluster, Im, -NO₂, organic, and -Cl (ZIF-69)

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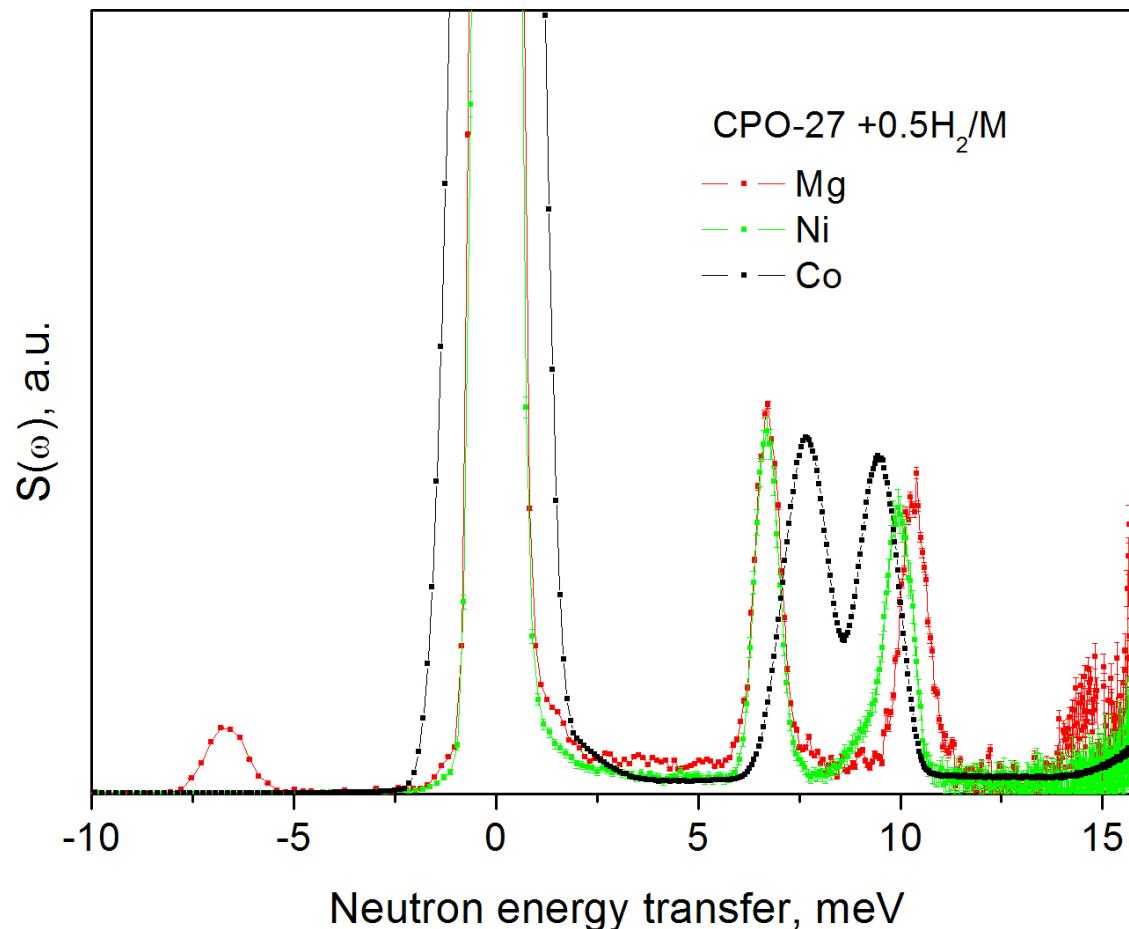
P.C. Dietzel & al. Chem. Comm.(2006)



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