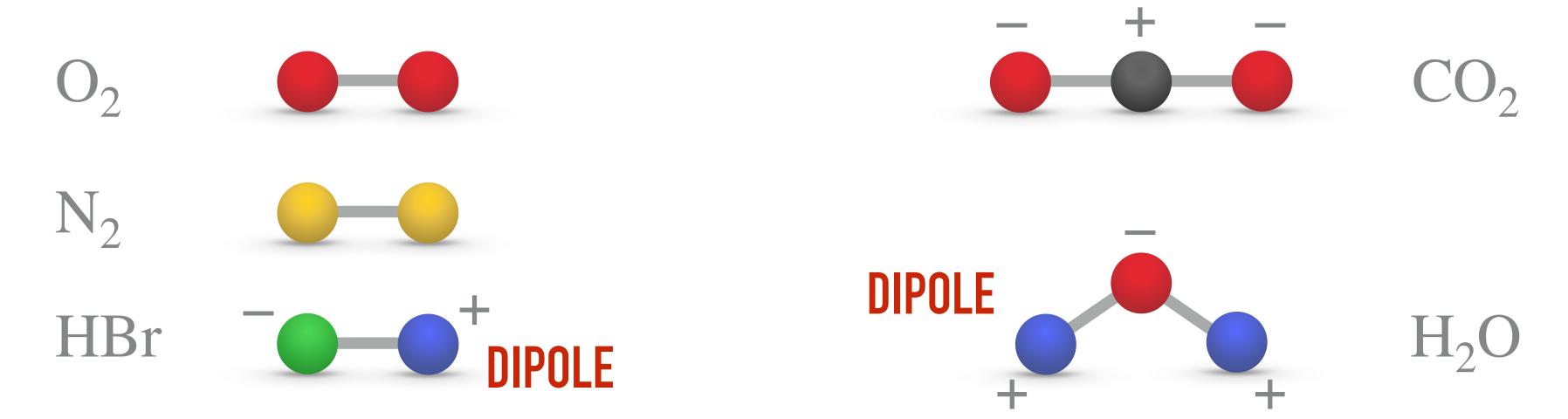
MANFRED BRATH, WS 2021/22

ADVANCED RADIATION AND REMOTE SENSING: ABSORPTION PROPERTIES OF THE ATMOSPHERE

MOLECULE SPECTRA

- This will be only a brief overview without going into any details.
- For those who interested in the details see
 - Haken, Hermann, und Hans Christoph Wolf. Molekülphysik Und Quantenchemie. Fünfte, völlig neubearbeitete und erweiterte Auflage. Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2006. https://dx.doi.org/ 10.1007/3-540-30315-4. (ebook/book, Stabi)
 - Demtröder, Wolfgang. Atoms, Molecules and Photons. Third edition. Springer, 2018. https://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-662-55523-1. (ebook/book, Stabi)
 - or any other book about spectroscopy and molecular physics



- Quantum mechanics and electrodynamic and states that we need a dipole to interact with em radiation.
 - Where do we have dipoles?



- A dipole is not enough. What else do we need?
- We need a periodically moving dipole.
- Two ways: Rotation and Vibration



What takes more energy into account rotation or vibration?

$$E_{rot} < E_{vib} < E_{el}$$

ENERGY-FREQUENCY RELATIONS

• Energy E and frequency ν differ only by the Planck constant h.

$$E = h\nu$$

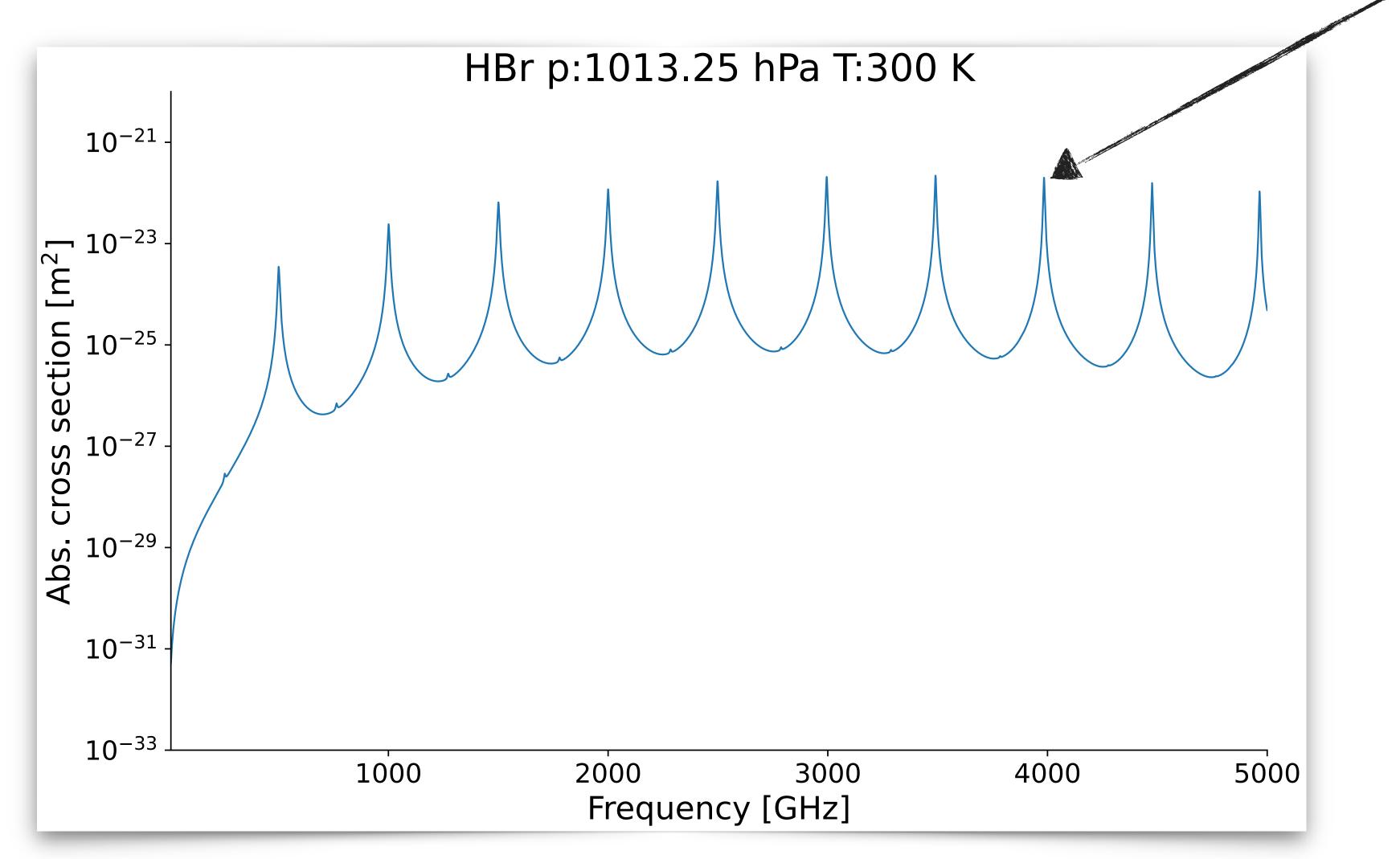
In quantum mechanics a different version is often used.

$$E = \hbar\omega = \frac{h}{2\pi} 2\pi\nu$$

TYPICAL SPECTRAL QUANTITIES, UNITS AND ORDER OF MAGNITUDE

Microwave (MW)	Frequency	$\nu \mathcal{O}(100\mathrm{GHz})$
Infrared (IR)	Wavenumber	$\tilde{\nu} \mathcal{O}(1000 \text{cm}^{-1}) \qquad \qquad \tilde{\nu} = \frac{\nu}{c_0}$
	Wavelength	$\lambda \mathcal{O}(15 \mu\text{m})$ $\lambda = \frac{c}{a}$
Visible	Wavelength	$\lambda \mathcal{O}(500 \text{nm})$

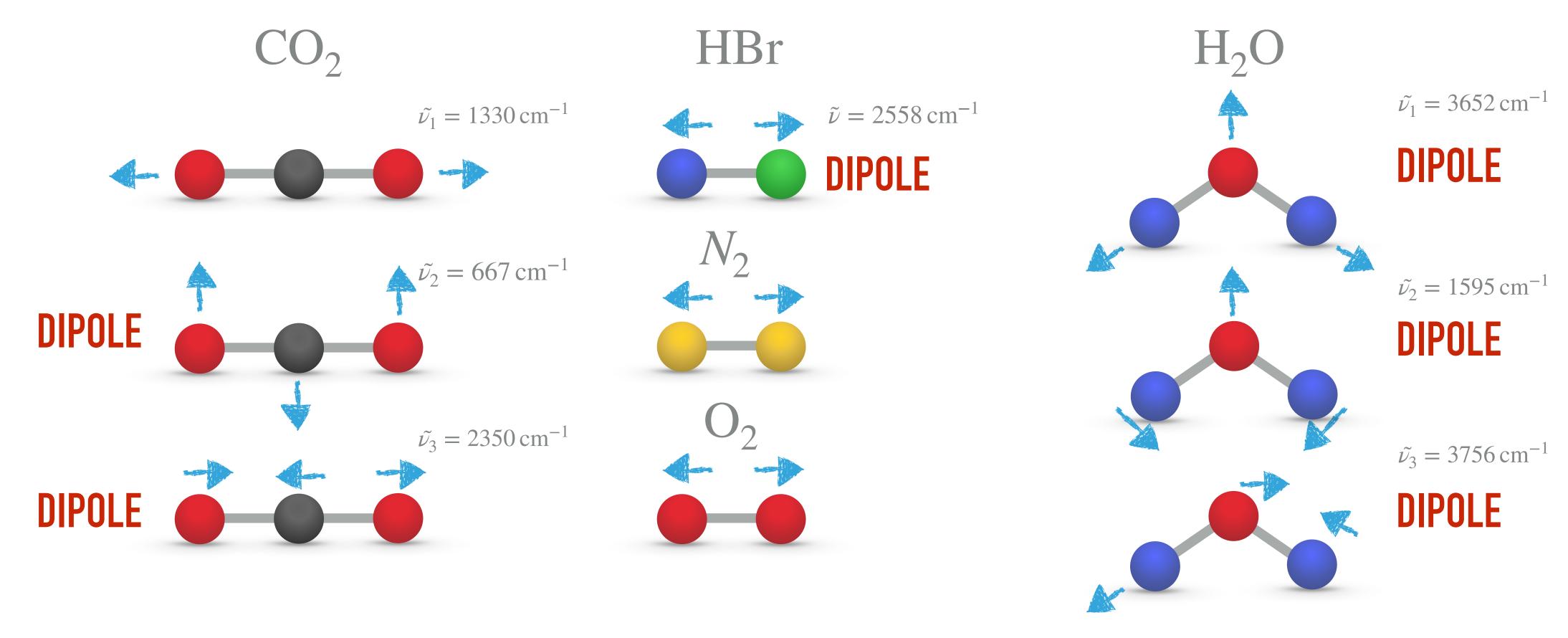
ROTATION SPECTRA



Transition from one state to another **not** the rotational state

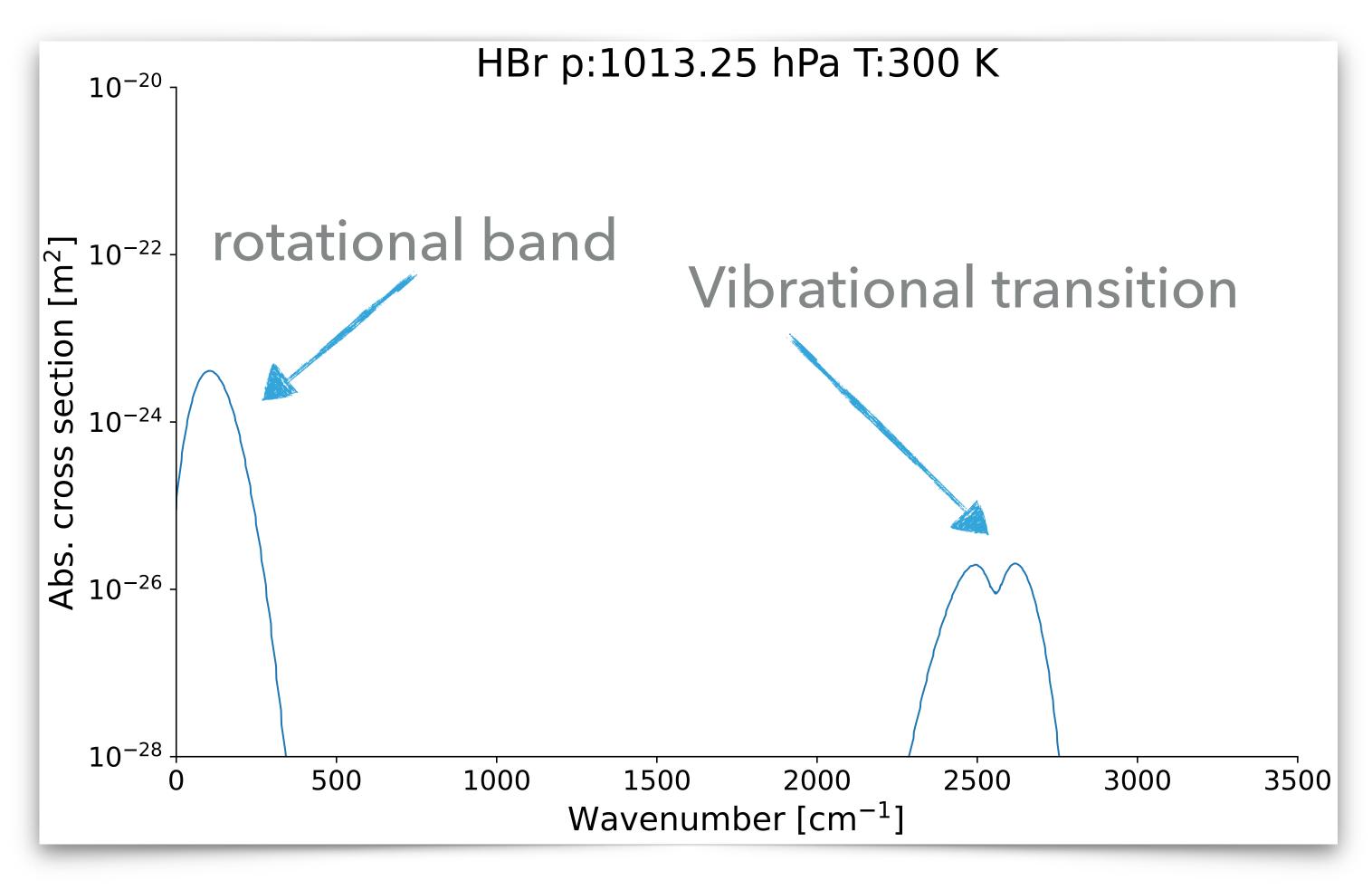
- Spectrum consists
 several discrete lines.
- Rotational states are discrete (quantised).

VIBRATION



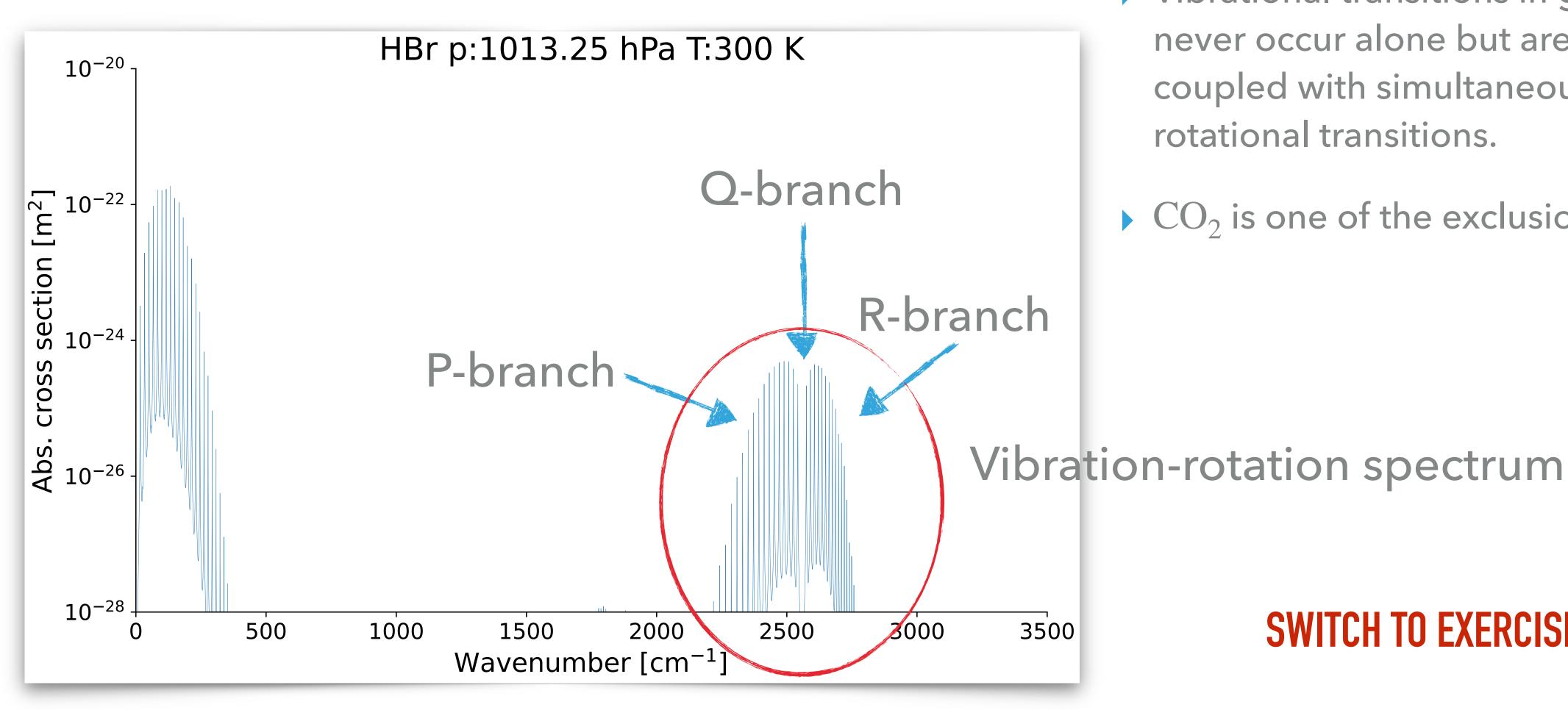
Which of these vibrational modes induce a changing dipole?

VIBRATION (LOW-RES)



- Vibrational transitions
 occur at 10 to 100 times
 larger energy levels than
 rotational transitions.
- Vibrational transitions are also quantised.

VIBRATION (HI-RES)



- Vibrational transitions in general never occur alone but are coupled with simultaneous rotational transitions.
- \triangleright CO₂ is one of the exclusions.