

High Precision Spectroscopy of $^{177}\text{HfF}^+$ and $^{179}\text{HfF}^+$



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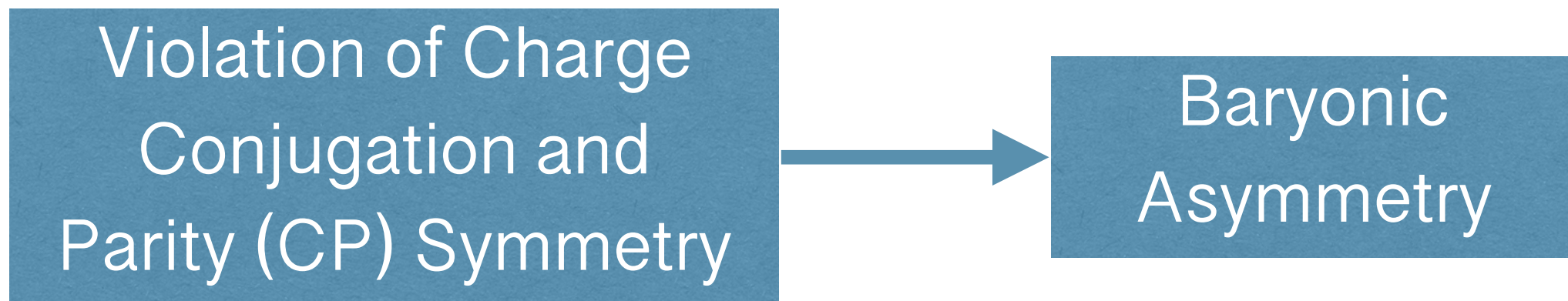
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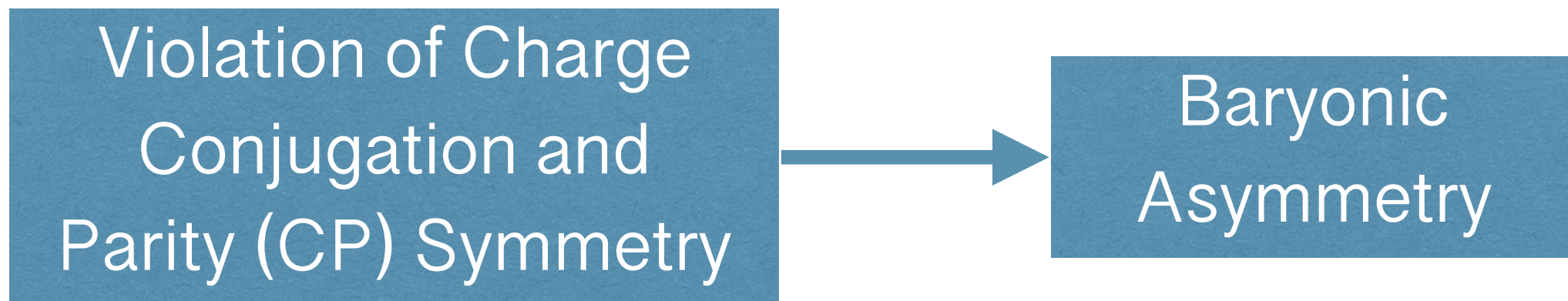
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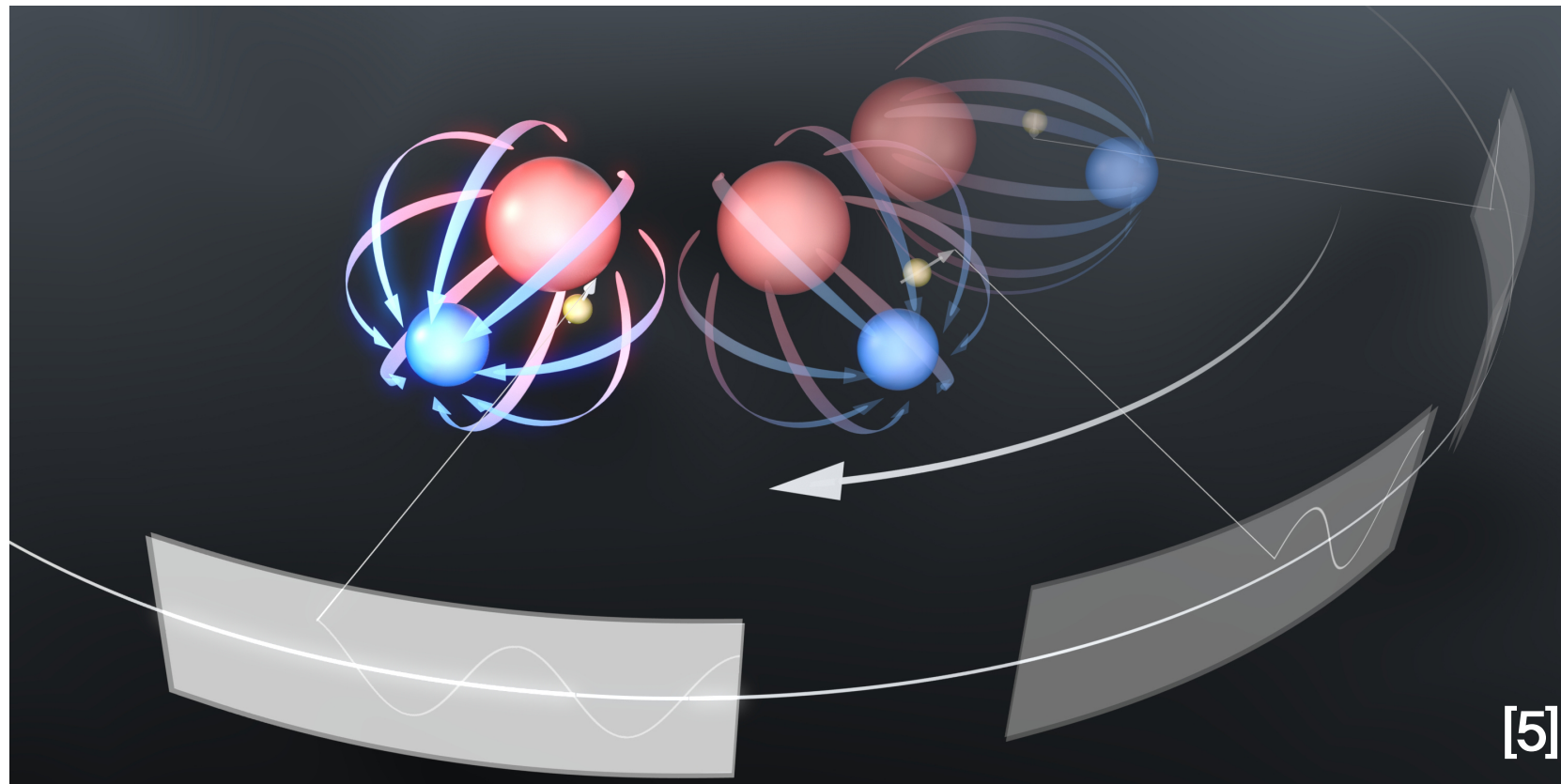
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Dr. Eric Cornell's group at JILA
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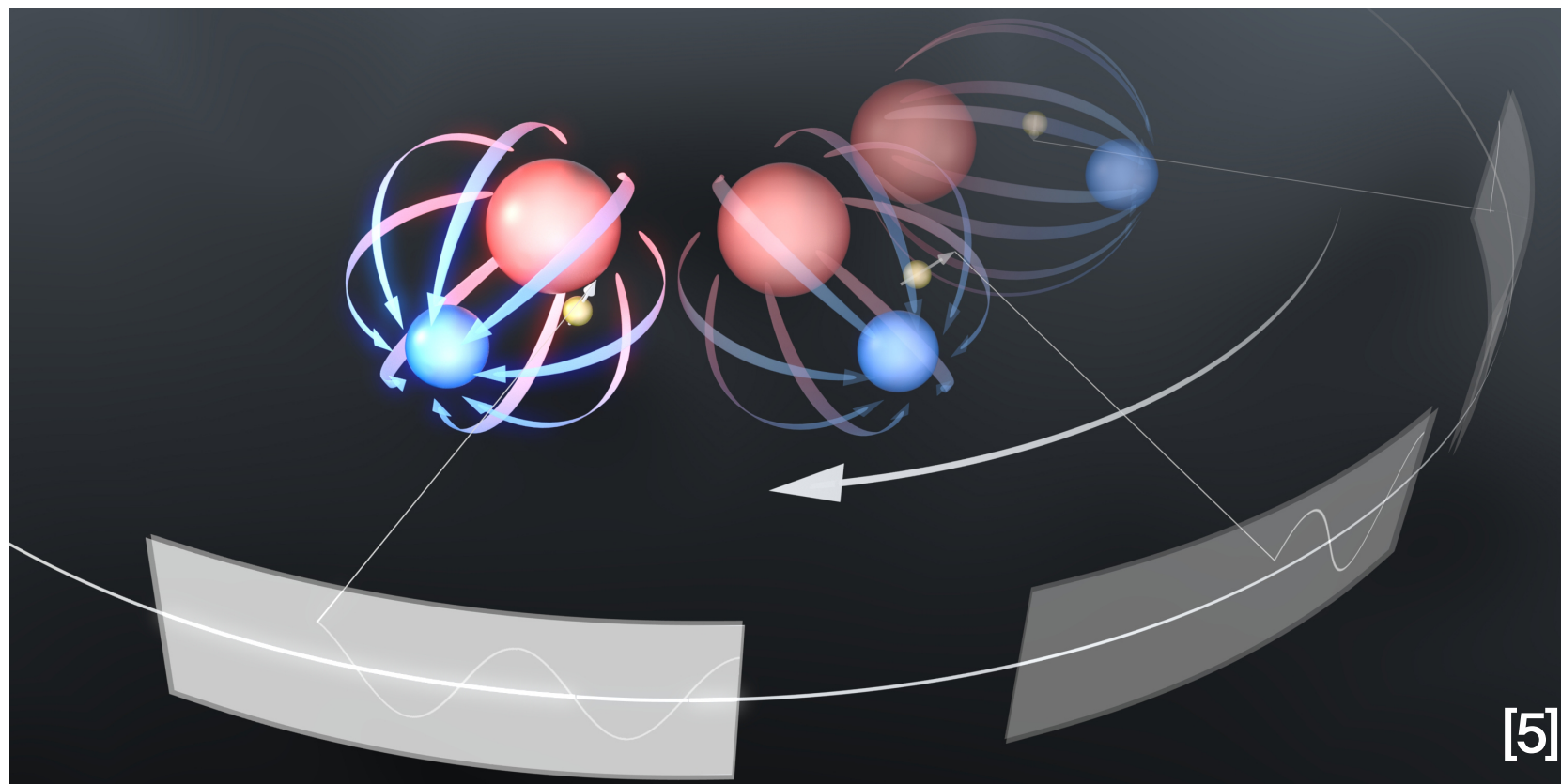
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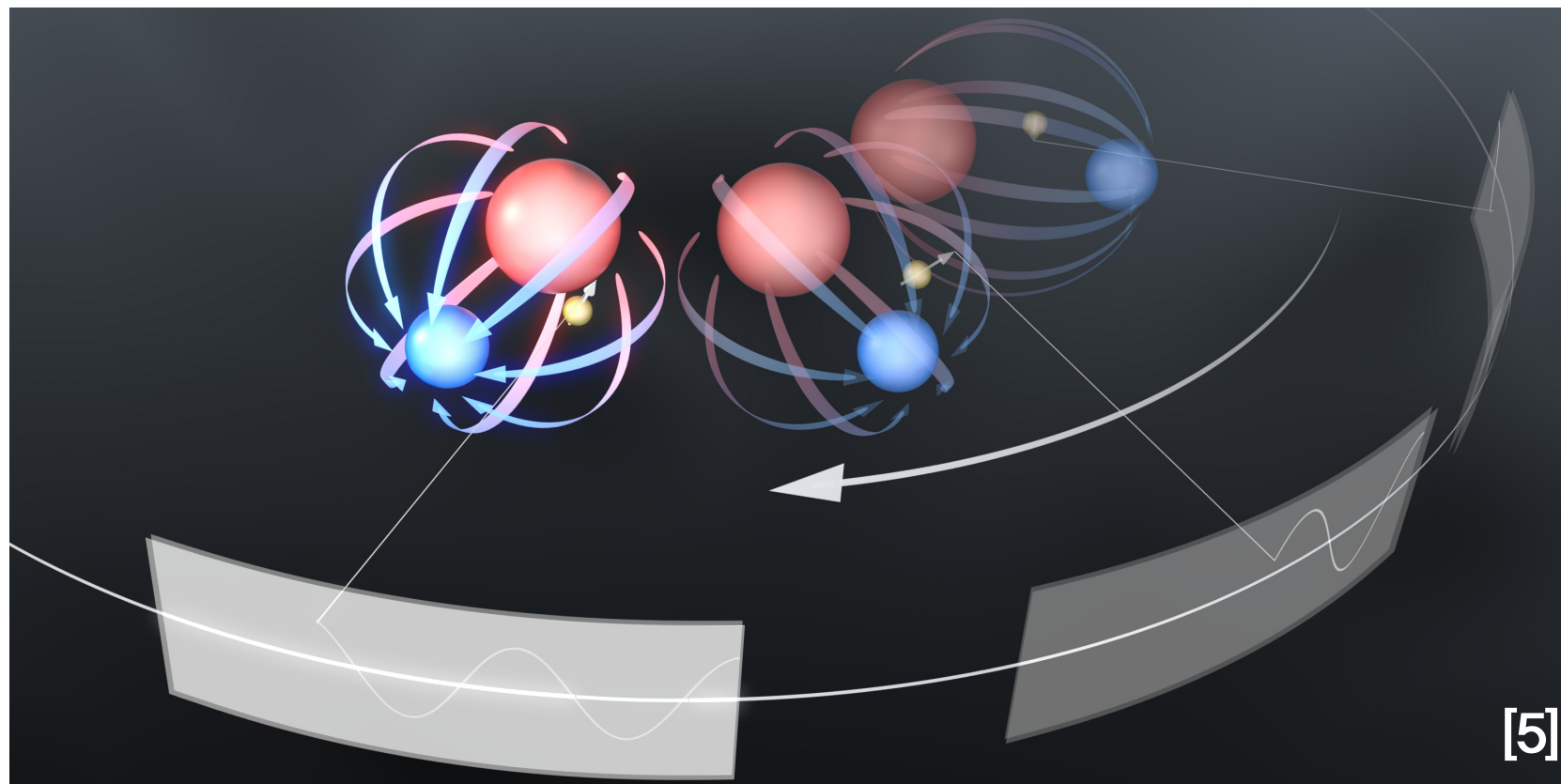
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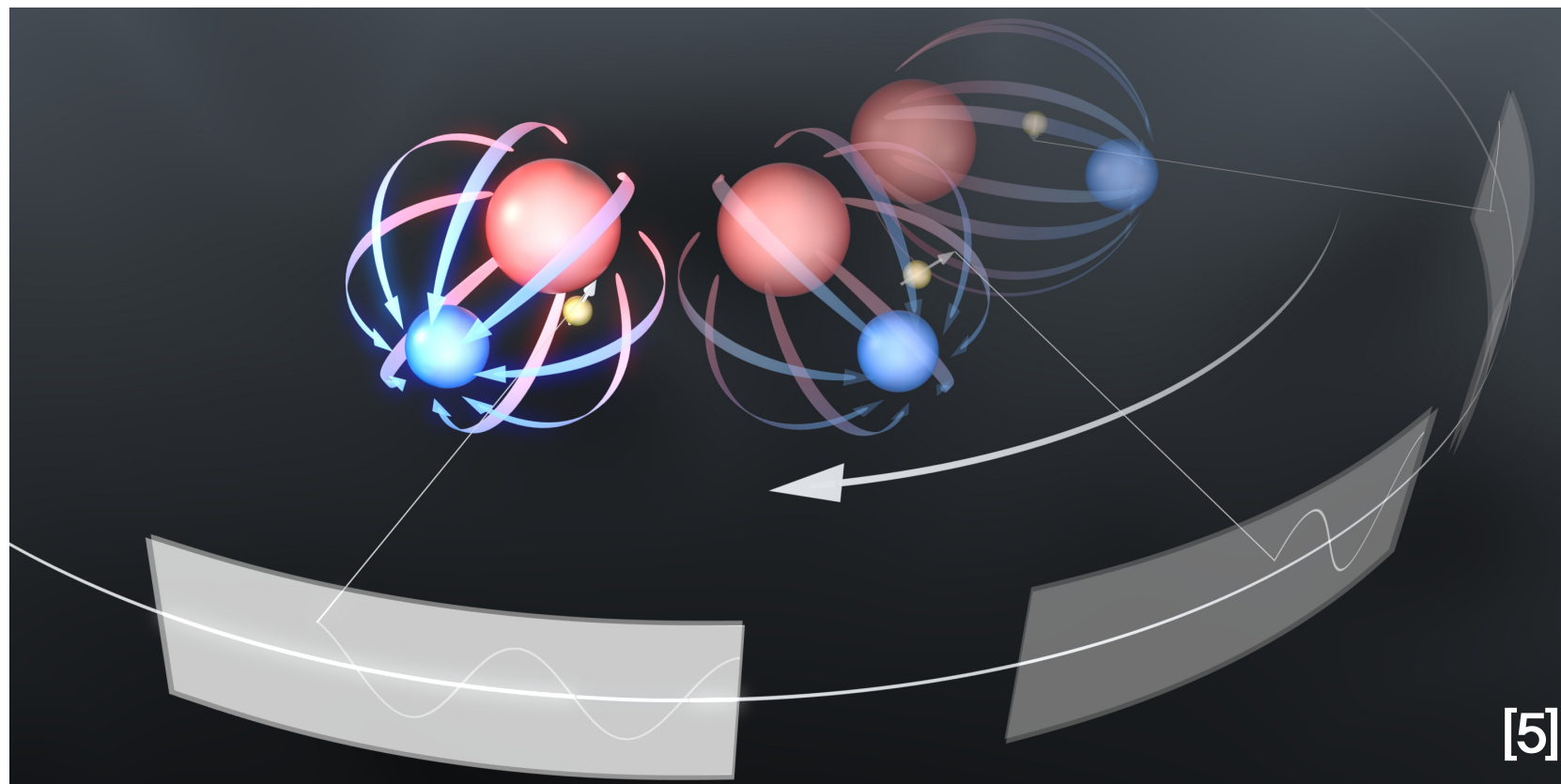


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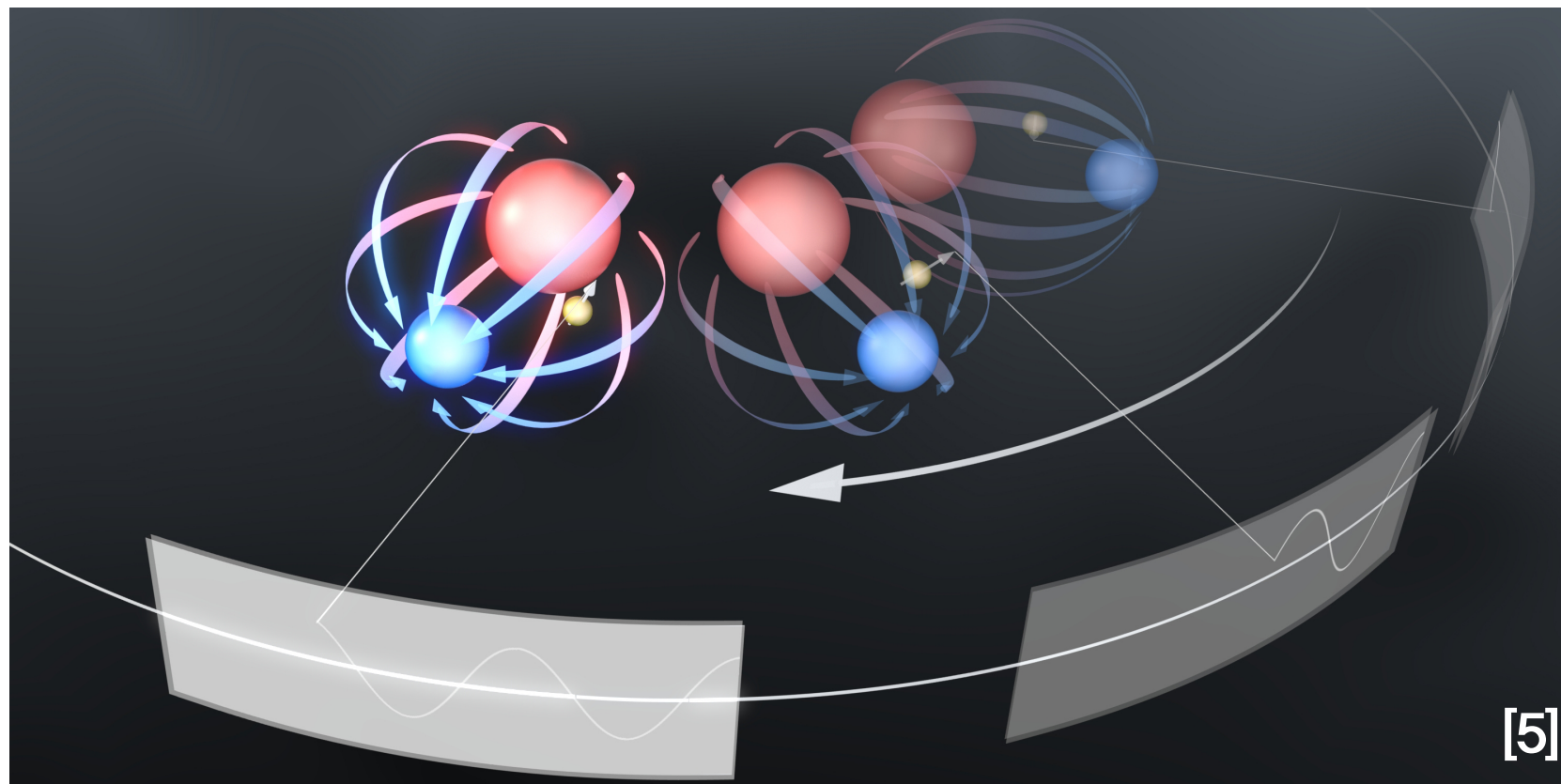
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Parity Non-Conserving (PNC) effects are enhanced in $^{177}\text{HfF}^+$ and $^{179}\text{HfF}^+$ due to **deformed nuclei**



What are the physical consequences
of the highly deformed nuclei of the
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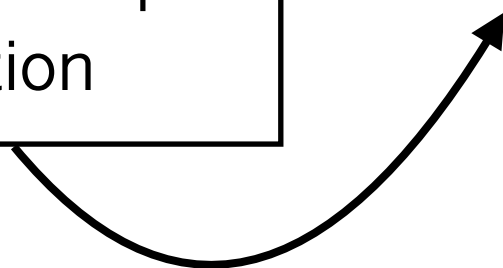
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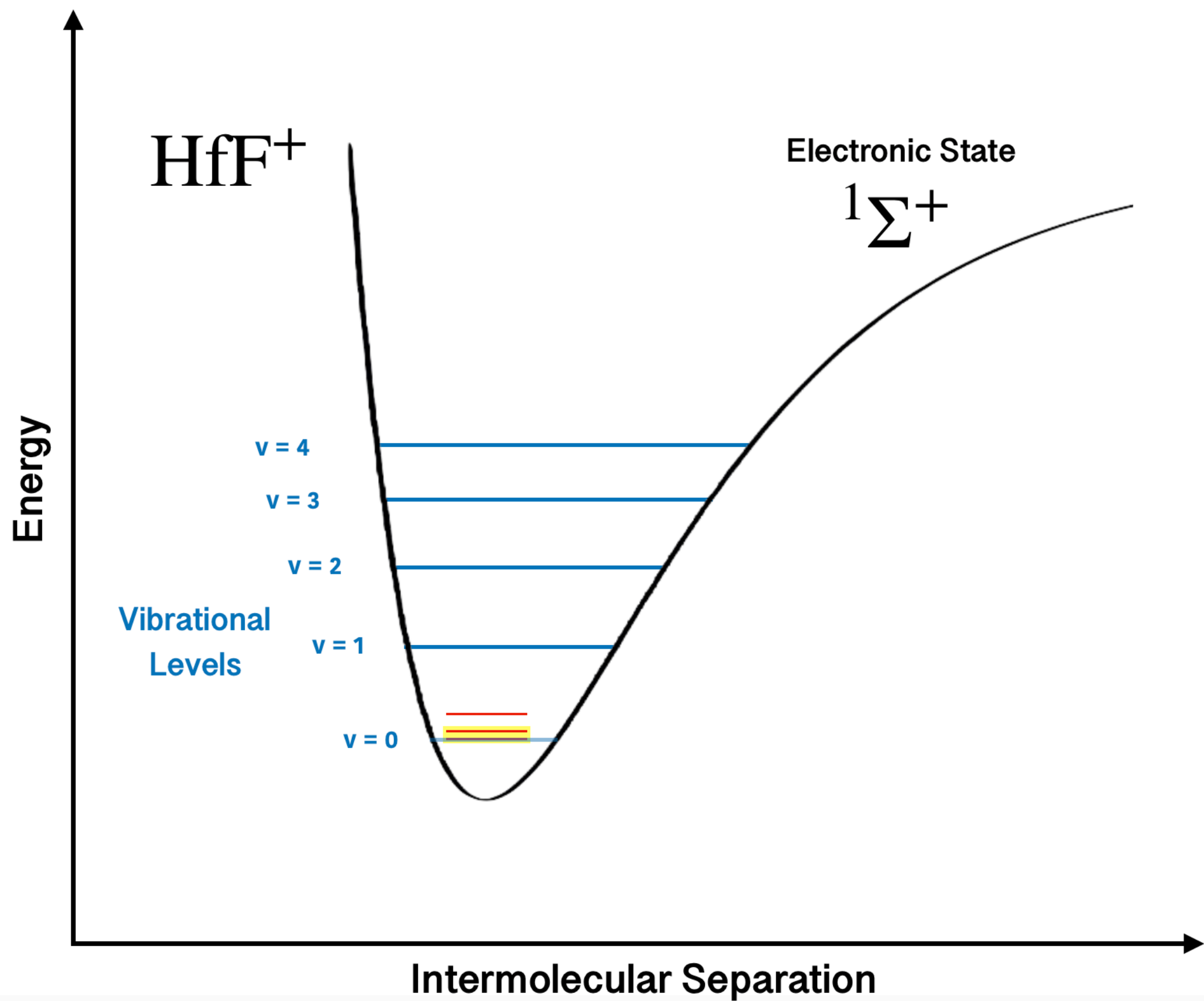
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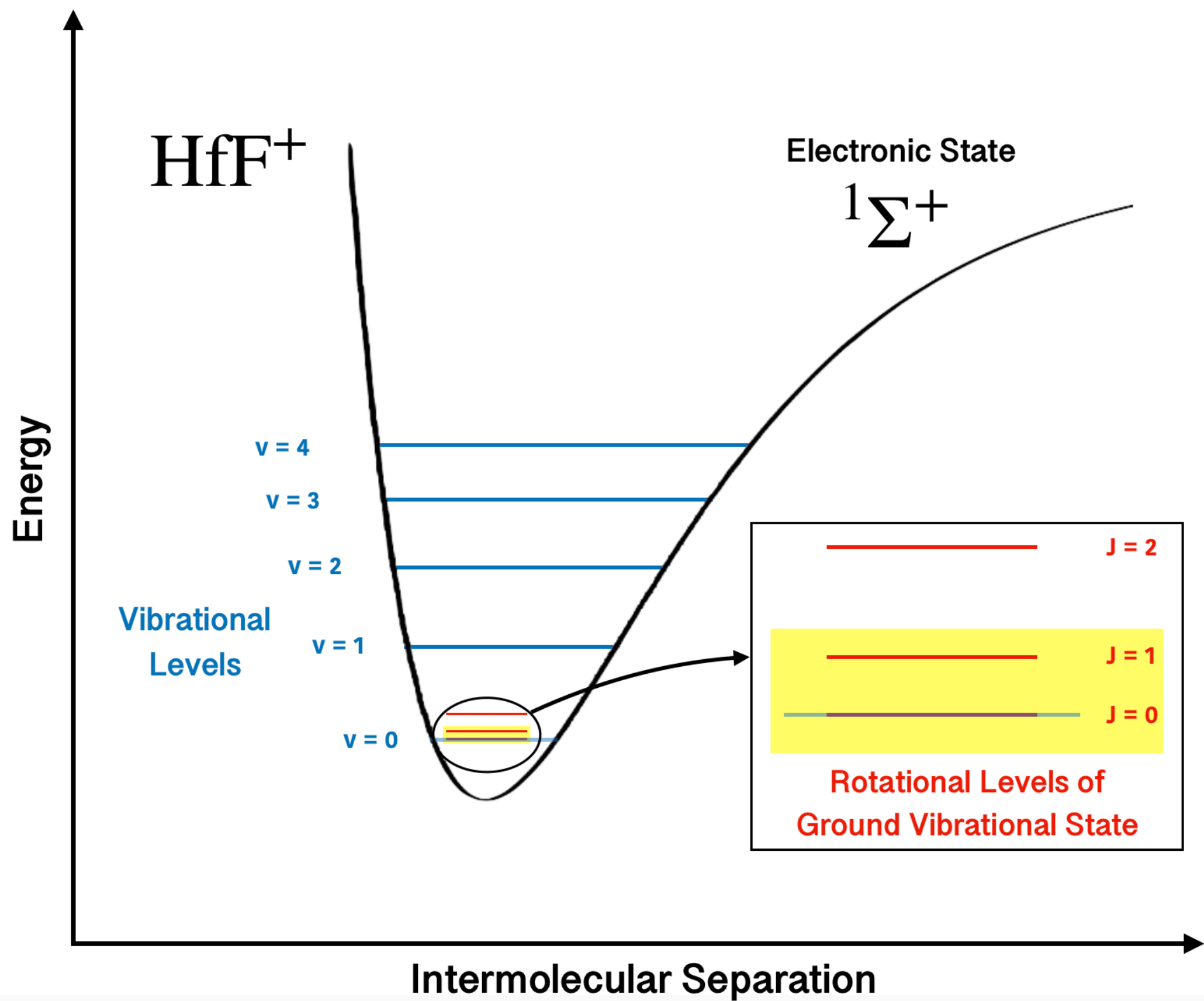
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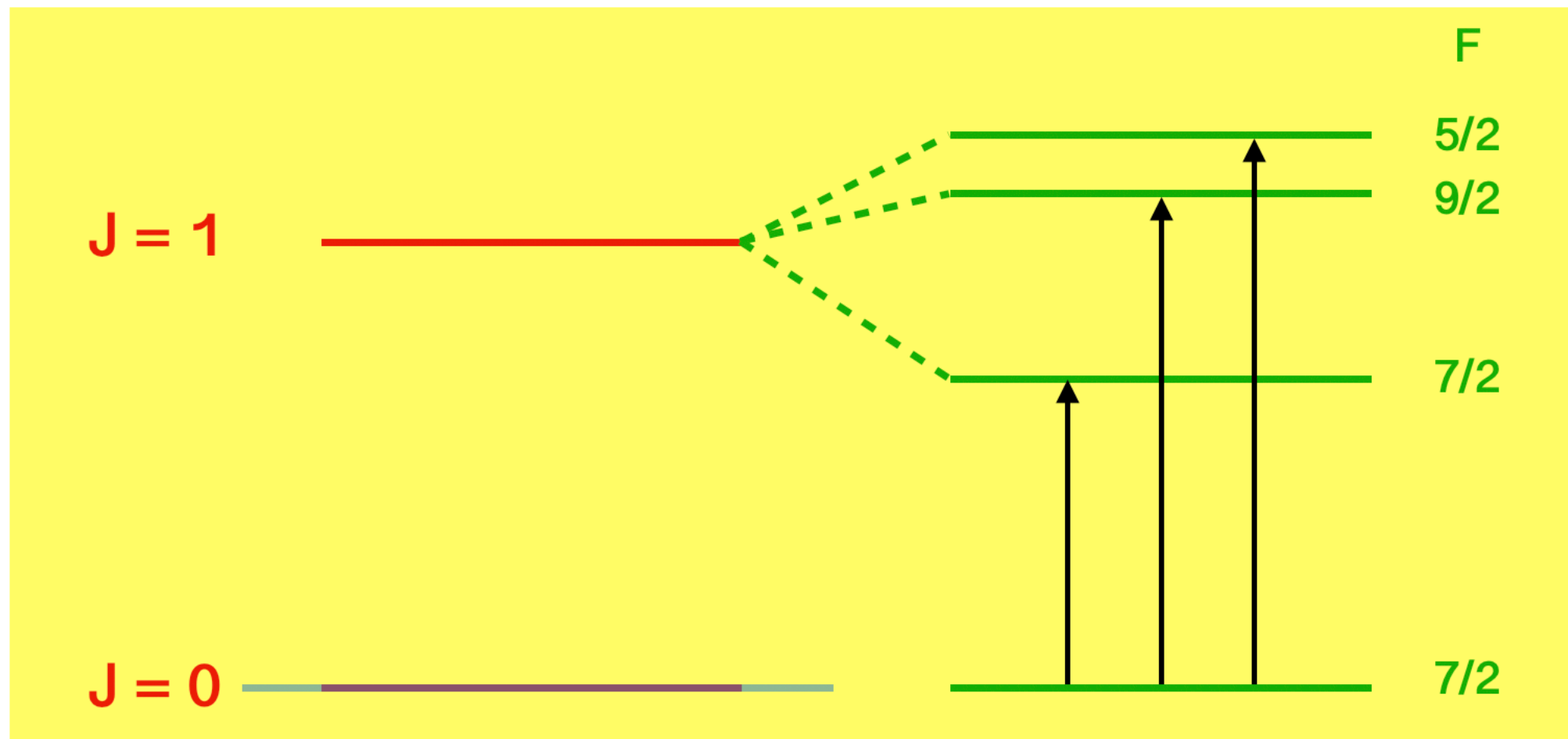
Rotational levels will split due to quadrupole interaction







$I = 7/2$



Nuclear Quadrupole Hyperfine Structure
for $J = 0 \rightarrow 1$ Rotational Transition in
Ground Vibrational State of $^{177}\text{HfF}^+$

Objective: Predict frequencies of these three hyperfine transitions

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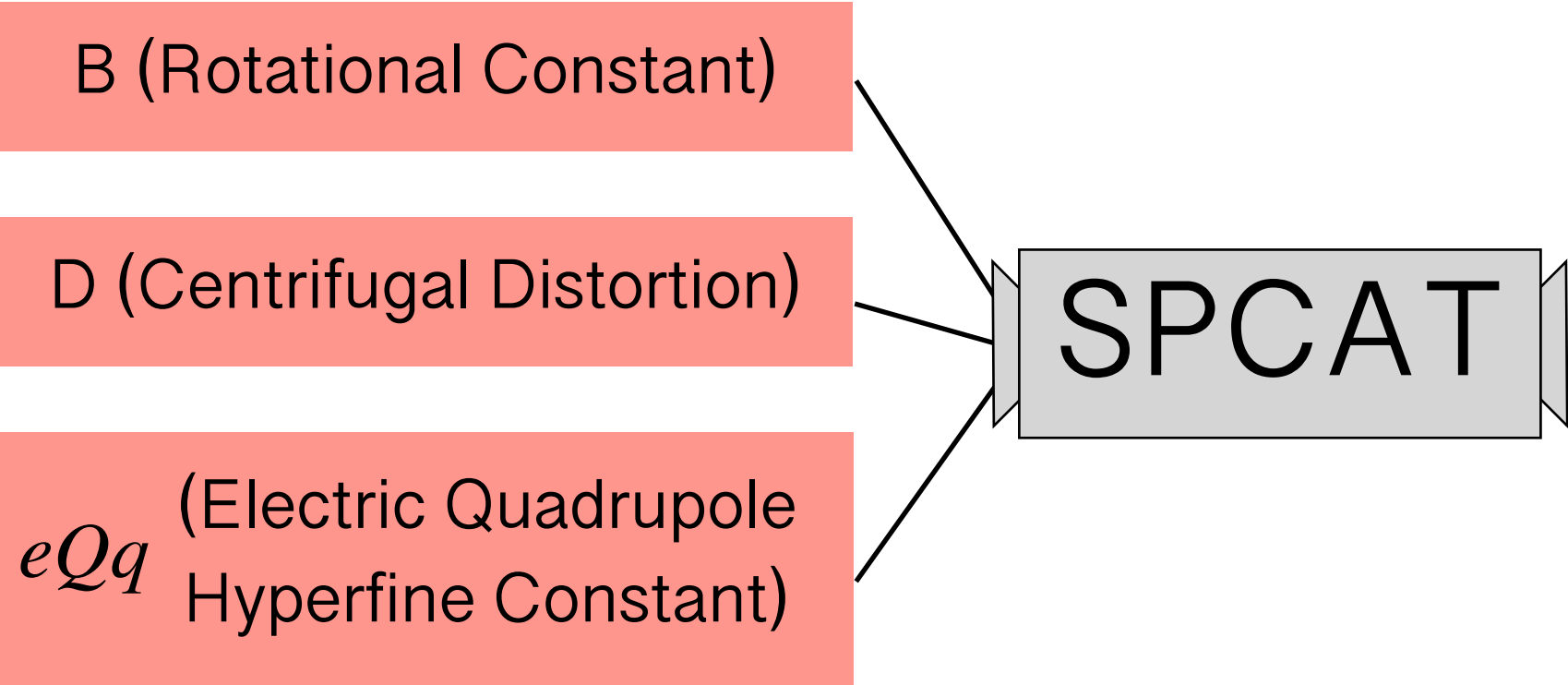
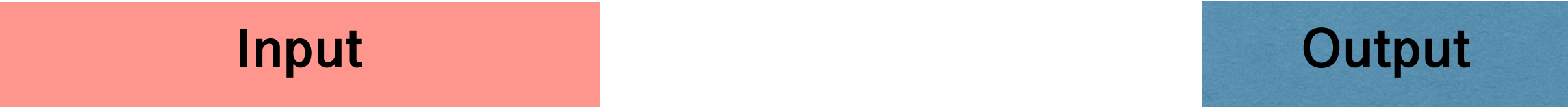
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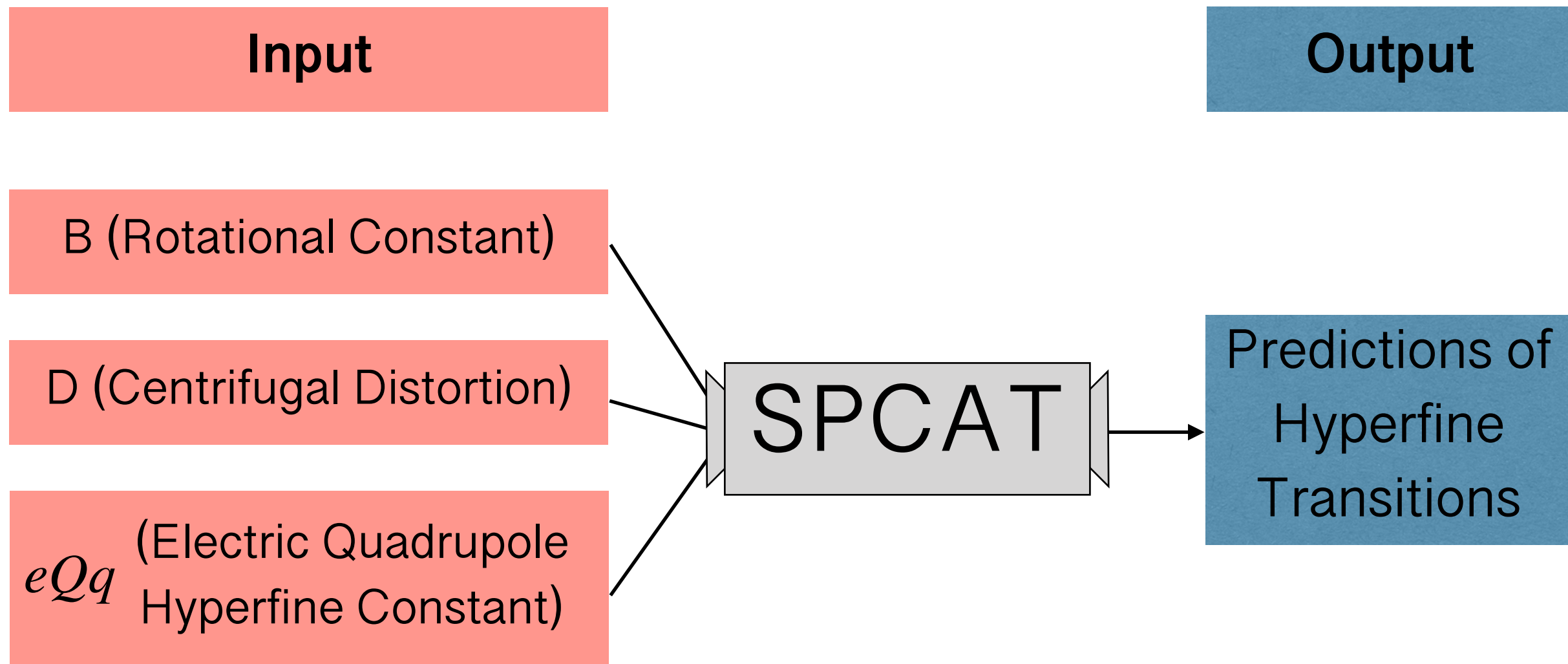
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Calculation of B and D Parameters for $^{177}\text{HfF}^+$ and $^{179}\text{HfF}^+$

- ◆ Analyze JILA's high precision data on $^{180}\text{HfF}^+$ (Cossel, 2012) to calculate B_{180} and D_{180} for ground vibrational state of $^{180}\text{HfF}^+$.
- ◆ Use isotopic scaling relationships (Drouin, 2001) to calculate B and D for odd isotopologues $^{177}\text{HfF}^+$ and $^{179}\text{HfF}^+$.

$$\frac{B_{177}}{B_{180}} = \left(\frac{\mu_{180}}{\mu_{177}} \right)$$

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$^{179}\text{HfF}^+$	
Hyperfine Transition	Calculated Frequency (MHz)
$F = 9/2 \leftarrow 9/2$	17968.1161
$F = 11/2 \leftarrow 9/2$	18408.1104
$F = 7/2 \leftarrow 9/2$	18508.7038

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