ASTRO C207 Radiative Processes in Astrophysics
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Problem Set 5

1. Good Rovibrations

(1) Assume we end in $n = 0$.

$$k_{\text{center}} = \frac{\nu_{\text{center}}}{c}$$

$$\nu_{\text{center}} = c k_{\text{center}}$$

$$\approx 3(10^{10}) \cdot 2145$$

$$\approx 6.4(10^{13})\text{Hz}$$

$$\approx 1 \times \nu_{0,\text{CO}}$$

where $\nu_{0,\text{CO}} \approx 6.7(10^{13})$Hz is the natural frequency of CO's vibrational transition.

$$|\Delta n| = 1$$

(2)   • Boltzmann statistics for populations in each J state
      • Line intensity $\propto n_{J_{\text{upper}}}$

$$\frac{n_{J+1}}{n_J} = \frac{g_{J+1}}{g_J} e^{-\frac{E_{J+1} - E_J}{k_B T}}$$

$$\text{where } E_{J+1} - E_J = \frac{\hbar^2}{2I}[(J+1)(J+2) - J(J+1)]$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{I}(J+1)$$

Sweeping $\frac{n_{J+1}}{n_J}$ with respect to T and choosing $J_{\text{infl}} = 7$ where $\frac{n_{J_{\text{infl}}}}{n_{J_{\text{infl}}-1}} > 1$ and $\frac{n_{J_{\text{infl}}+1}}{n_{J_{\text{infl}}}} < 1$ yields a rough temperature range $T \in [288, 365)$K
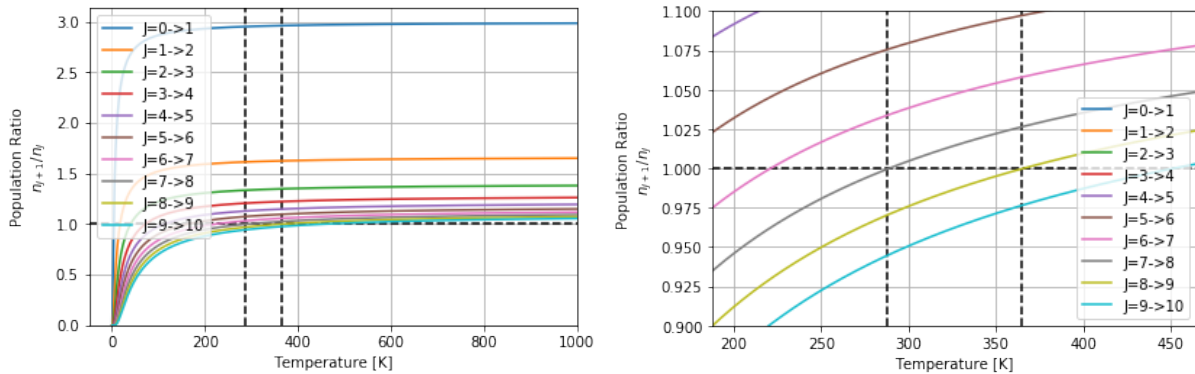

Figure 1: The population ratios vs. temperature for different values of $J \to J+1$

Because $n_{J=6} \approx n_{J=7}$

$$T \approx 288\text{K}$$

(3) Looking up the dipole moment $d_{\text{CO}} \approx 0.122$ esu.cm and calculating values relative to the Lyman-α

$$A_{\text{CO}} = A_{\text{Ly}\alpha} \left(\frac{d_{\text{CO}}}{d_{\text{H}}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\omega_{\text{CO}}}{\omega_{\text{Ly}\alpha}} \right)^3$$

with

$$\omega_{\text{CO}} = \frac{(\Delta E)_{\substack{\Delta n=1 \\ \Delta J=\pm 1}}}{\hbar} \tag{1}$$

$$= \omega_{0,\text{CO}} \pm \frac{\hbar}{I} J_{\text{upper}} \tag{2}$$

Eqn. **??** assumes a constant moment of inertia. In reality, there will be a change in interatomic distance dependent on n, i.e. the moment of inertia will increase with n.
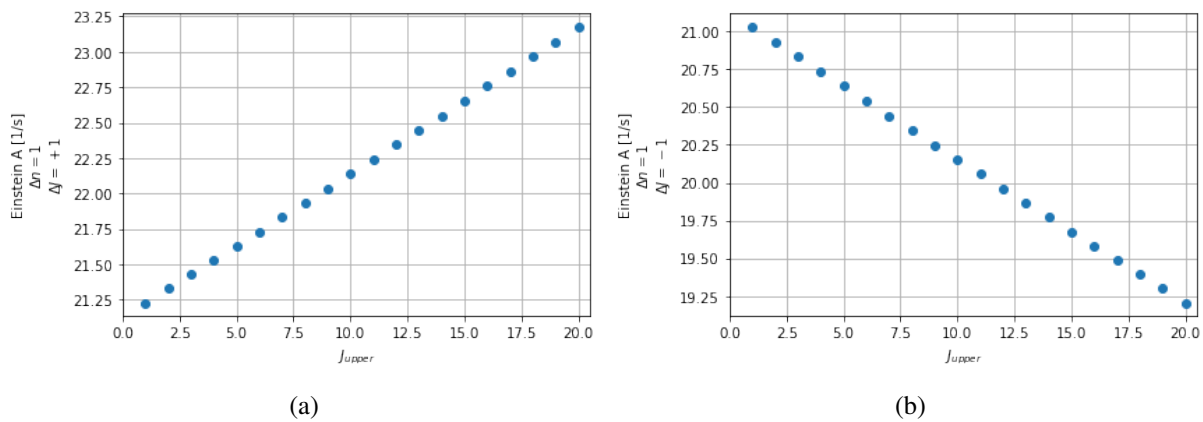
(a)

(b)

Figure 2: Calculated Einstein A coefficients for the R (**??**) and P (**??**) branches

A varies by more than 10% over the range of J—probably enough to warrant inclusion.

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$$j_\nu = \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} n_{J_{\text{upper}}} A_{21} \phi(\nu)$$
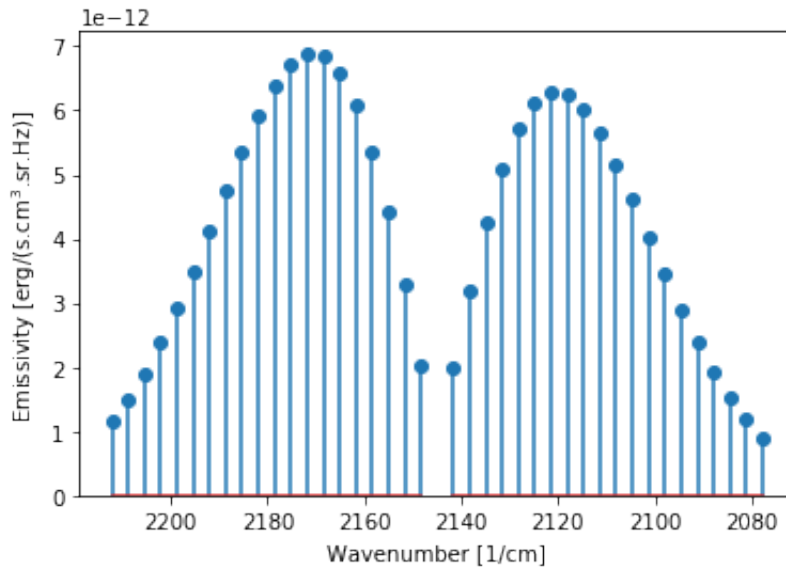
Supposing $\phi(\nu)$ is constant across frequency,

Figure 3: Emissivity assuming $v_0 = 2145 \text{cm}^{-1} \cdot c$.

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Some final discrepancies:

- non-constant line profile function vs. frequency (i.e. Heisenberg uncertainty and Doppler spread) would have each peak smeared out across frequencies
- change in the interatomic distance and consequently the moment of inertia with respect to vibrational energy would cause spreading between the peaks of the P branch vs. the R branch

q_good_rovibrations

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In [1]: `## Lydia Lee`

```python
%matplotlib inline
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

from pprint import pprint
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In [2]:
```python
hbar = 1e-27 # erg.s, Planck's constant
h_Planck = hbar * 2*np.pi # erg.s, Planck's constant
c = 3e10 # cm/s, speed of light
m_p = 1.6e-24 # g, proton mass
a0 = 0.5e-8 # cm, Bohr radius
kB = 1.4e-16 # erg/K, Boltzmann constant
q = 5e-10 # esu, electron charge
lamda_LyA = 121.6e-7 # cm, wavelength of LyA
nu_LyA = c/lamda_LyA # Hz, frequency of LyA
A_LyA = 5e8 # 1/s, Einstein A of LyA
d_CO = .122e-18 # esu.cm, dipole moment of carbon monoxide
d_H = q*a0 # esu.cm, dipole moment of hydrogen
nu0_CO = 4.2e-13/h_Planck # Hz, value given in class

x0 = 2.4*a0
m_C = 12*m_p
m_O = 16*m_p
q_mult = 3
parallel = lambda lst: (sum([1/x for x in lst]))**-1 if 0 not in lst else 0
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In [3]:
```python
k_center = 2145 # cycles/cm, center wavenumber
nu_center = k_center*c # Hz
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In [4]:
```python
def omega0_diatom(m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x=x0, q_mult=q_mult) -> float:
    '''
    Inputs:
        m1: Float, g. Mass of one of the atoms in the diatom.
        m2: Float, g. Mass of the other atom in the diatom.
        x: Float, cm. Internuclear distance between the atoms.
        q_mult: Float. The multiplier for the electron charge
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```python
            used to calculate the coulomb force between the atoms.
        Returns:
            Float. The natural frequency of a diatomic molecule, in rad/s.
        '''

        return nu_center * 2*np.pi # pumpkin-eating in the spirit of October
#         k_spring = (q*q_mult)**2 / x**3 # spring constant
#         mu = parallel([m1, m2]) # reduced mass
#         return np.sqrt(k_spring/mu)

    def E_vib_diatom(n, m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x0=x0, q_mult=q_mult) -> float:
        '''
        Inputs:
            n: Integer. Vibrational quantum number.
            m1: Float, g. Mass of one of the atoms in the diatom.
            m2: Float, g. Mass of the other atom in the diatom.
            x0: Float, cm. Atomic separation.
            q_mult: Float. The multiplier for the electron charge
                used to calculate the coulomb force between the atoms.
        Returns:
            Float. The energy of a diatom's nth vibrational state, in ergs.
        '''

        omega0 = omega0_diatom(m1, m2, x0, q_mult) # TODO second-order effects don't end u
#         k_spring = (q*q_mult)**2 / x0**3 # spring constant
#         De = 0.5 * k_spring * x0**2
        return hbar*omega0*(n+0.5) # - (hbar*omega0*(n+0.5))**2/(4*De)

    def I_diatom(J, n, m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x0=x0, q_mult=q_mult) -> float:
        '''
        Inputs:
            J: Integer. Rotational quantum number.
            n: Integer. Vibrational quantum number.
            m1: Float, g. Mass of one of the atoms in the diatom.
            m2: Float, g. Mass of the other atom in the diatom.
            x0: Float, cm. Atomic separation n=0.
            q_mult: Float. The multiplier for the electron charge
                used to calculate the coulomb force between the atoms.
        Returns:
            Float. The moment of inertia of a diatom in g.cm^2.
        '''
#         E_vib = E_vib_diatom(n, m1, m2, x0, q_mult)
#         k_spring = (E_vib/hbar)**2 * parallel([m1, m2])
#         k_spring = (q*q_mult)**2/x0**3
#         De = 1/2 * k_spring * x0**2
#         a = np.sqrt(k_spring/(2*De))

        x = x0 # TODO adjust internuclear separation
#         x = x0 - 1/a * np.log(1-np.sqrt(E_vib/De))
#         x = x0 + np.sqrt(2/k_spring * E_vib)
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        return parallel([m1, m2]) * x**2

    def E_rot_diatom(J, n, m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x0=x0) -> float:
        '''
        Inputs:
            J: Integer. Rotational quantum number.
            n: Integer. Vibrational quantum number.
            m1: Float, g. Mass of one of the atoms in the diatom.
            m2: Float, g. Mass of the other atom in the diatom.
            x0: Float, cm. Atomic separation at n=0.
        Returns:
            Float. The energy of a diatom's rotational state with quantum
            numbers J and n in ergs.
        '''
        return hbar**2/(2*I_diatom(J,n,m1,m2,x0)) * J * (J+1)

    def E_rovib_diatom(J, n, m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x0=x0, q_mult=q_mult) -> float:
        '''
        Inputs:
            J: Integer. Rotational quantum number.
            n: Integer. Vibrational quantum number.
            m1: Float, g. Mass of one of the atoms in the diatom.
            m2: Float, g. Mass of the other atom in the diatom.
            x0: Float, cm. Atomic separation at n=0.
            q_mult: Float. The multiplier for the electron charge
                used to calculate the coulomb force between the atoms.
        Returns:
            Float. The energy of the state with vibrational quantum number n
            and rotational quantum number J, in ergs.
        '''
        E_vib = E_vib_diatom(n, m1, m2, x0, q_mult)
        E_rot = E_rot_diatom(J, n, m1, m2, x0)
        return E_vib + E_rot

    def g_degen(J) -> int:
        '''
        Inputs:
            J: Integer. Rotational quantum number.
        Returns:
            Integer. Degeneracy of the state associated with rotational quantum
            number J.
        '''
        return 2*J + 1

    def population_rel(J, n, T, m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x0=x0) -> float:
        '''
        Inputs:
        Returns:
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```python
            Float. The ratio of populations n_{J+1}/n_J assuming Boltzmann statistics.
        '''
        dE_rot = E_rot_diatom(J+1, n , m1, m2, x0) - E_rot_diatom(J, n , m1, m2, x0)
        return g_degen(J+1)/g_degen(J) * np.exp(-dE_rot/(kB*T))

    def omega_rovib(Ji, Jf, delta_n=1, m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x0=x0, q_mult=q_mult) -> float:
        '''
        Inputs:
            Ji: Integer. Initial rotational quantum number.
            Jf: Integer. Final rotational quantum number.
            delta_n: Integer. Change in vibrational quantum number.
            m1: Float, g. Mass of one of the atoms in the diatom.
            m2: Float, g. Mass of the other atom in the diatom.
            x0: Float, cm. Atomic separation at n=0.
            q_mult: Float. The multiplier for the electron charge
                used to calculate the coulomb force between the atoms.
        Returns:
            Float. Frequency (in rad/s) of the photon associated with a
            transition with delta_n=delta_n and delta_J=Jf-Ji.
        '''
        E = E_rovib_diatom(Jf, delta_n, m1, m2, x0, q_mult) - \
            E_rovib_diatom(Ji, 0, m1, m2, x0, q_mult)
        return E/hbar

    def A_dip(Ji, Jf, delta_n=1, m1=m_C, m2=m_O, x0=x0, d=d_CO, q_mult=q_mult) -> float:
        '''
        Inputs:
            Ji: Integer. Initial rotational quantum number.
            Jf: Integer. Final rotational quantum number.
            delta_n: Integer. Change in vibrational quantum number.
            m1: Float, g. Mass of one of the atoms in the diatom.
            m2: Float, g. Mass of the other atom in the diatom.
            x0: Float, cm. Atomic separation at n=0.
            d: Float, esu*cm. Dipole moment.
            q_mult: Float. The multiplier for the electron charge
                used to calculate the coulomb force between the atoms.
        Returns:
            Float. The Einstein A coefficient of the transition for a dipole.
        '''
        omega = omega_rovib(Ji, Jf, delta_n, m1, m2, x0, q_mult)
        nu = omega/(2*np.pi)
        A = A_LyA * (d/d_H)**2 * (nu/nu_LyA)**3
        return A
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In [5]: k_center = 2145 # cycles/cm, center wavenumber

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        nu_center = k_center*c # Hz
        # nu0 = omega0_diatom(x=x0, q_mult=q_mult)/(2*np.pi)
        Delta_n = nu_center/nu0_CO

        print(f'Delta n (Computed):\t{Delta_n}')
        print("nu_center:\t\t{:.2e} Hz".format(nu_center))
        print(f'n:\t\t\t{int(round(Delta_n))} -> 0')
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Delta n (Computed):        0.9626737488500153
nu_center:                 6.44e+13 Hz
n:                         1 -> 0
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In [6]: num_J = 20
        J_vec = np.array(range(num_J))
        T_vec = np.arange(1, 1000, 1)
        # plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (16, 8)

        # Keeping track of the temperature at which the ratio n_{J+1}/n_J exceeds 1
        T_cross1_J = [np.inf]*len(J_vec)
        ratio_nJ_dict = dict()

        for i,J in enumerate(J_vec):
            ratio_nJ_dict[J] = population_rel(J, 0, T_vec)

            idx_cross1_J = np.argwhere(np.diff(np.sign(ratio_nJ_dict[J]-1))).flatten()
            assert len(idx_cross1_J) < 2, f'J={J}: ratio does not monotonically increase with
            if len(idx_cross1_J) == 1:
                T_cross1_J[i] = T_vec[idx_cross1_J[0]]
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In [7]: J_infl = 7 # value of J where n_J/n_{J-1} > 1 and n_{J+1}/n_J < 1
        J_vec_shortened = np.arange(0, 10)

        # Plotting
        for J in J_vec_shortened:
            plt.plot(T_vec, ratio_nJ_dict[J], label=f'J={J}->{J+1}')
        plt.legend()
        plt.grid(True)
        plt.xlabel('Temperature [K]')
        plt.ylabel('Population Ratio\n$n_{J+1}/n_J$')
        plt.xlim(*plt.xlim())
        plt.xlim(right=max(T_vec))
        plt.ylim(0)

        # Annotations
        plt.hlines(1, *plt.xlim(), linestyles='dashed')
        T_min = T_cross1_J[J_infl]
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        T_max = T_cross1_J[J_infl+1]
        plt.vlines(T_min, *plt.ylim(), linestyles='dashed')
        plt.vlines(T_max, *plt.ylim(), linestyles='dashed')
        print(f'Temperature Range: [{T_min}, {T_max}) K')

        # For visibility
        plt.figure()
        for J in J_vec_shortened:
            plt.plot(T_vec, ratio_nJ_dict[J], label=f'J={J}->{J+1}')
        plt.legend()
        plt.grid(True)
        plt.xlabel('Temperature [K]');
        plt.ylabel('Population Ratio\n$n_{J+1}/n_J$');
        plt.xlim(T_min-100, T_max+100);
        plt.ylim(0.9, 1.1);

        # Annotations
        plt.hlines(1, *plt.xlim(), linestyles='dashed');
        plt.vlines(T_min, *plt.ylim(), linestyles='dashed');
        plt.vlines(T_max, *plt.ylim(), linestyles='dashed');
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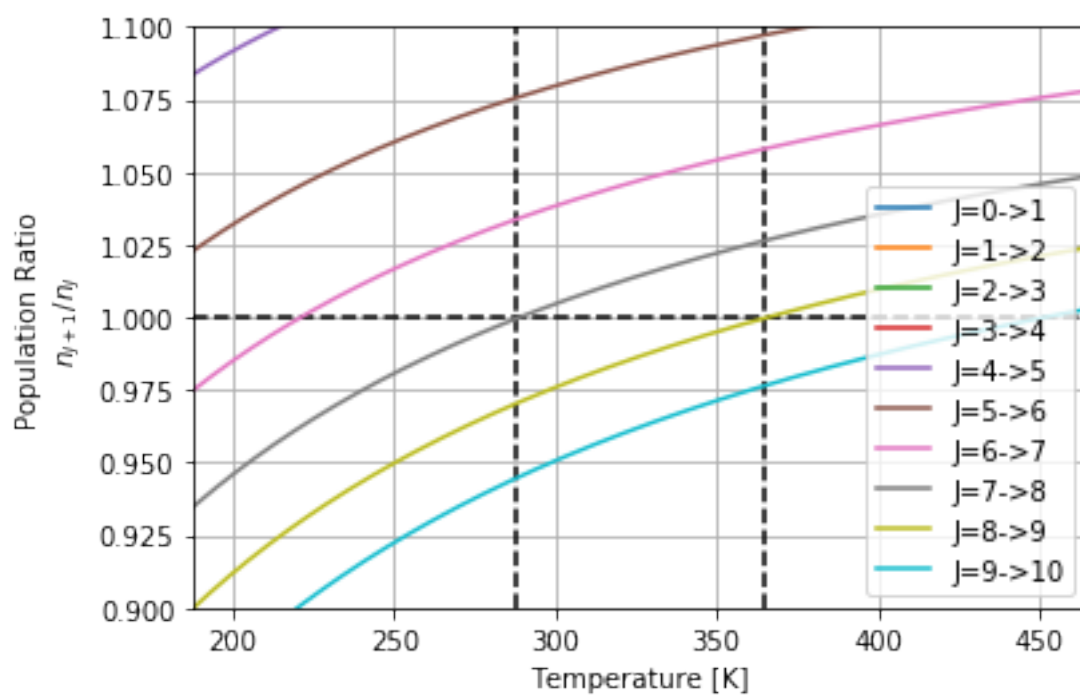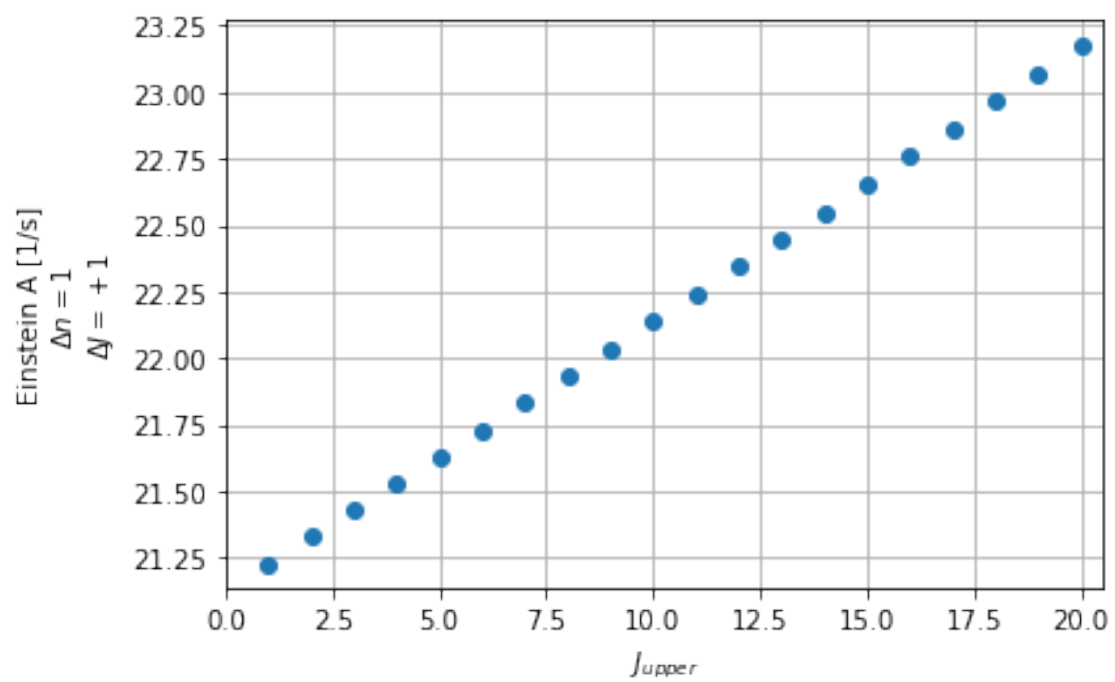
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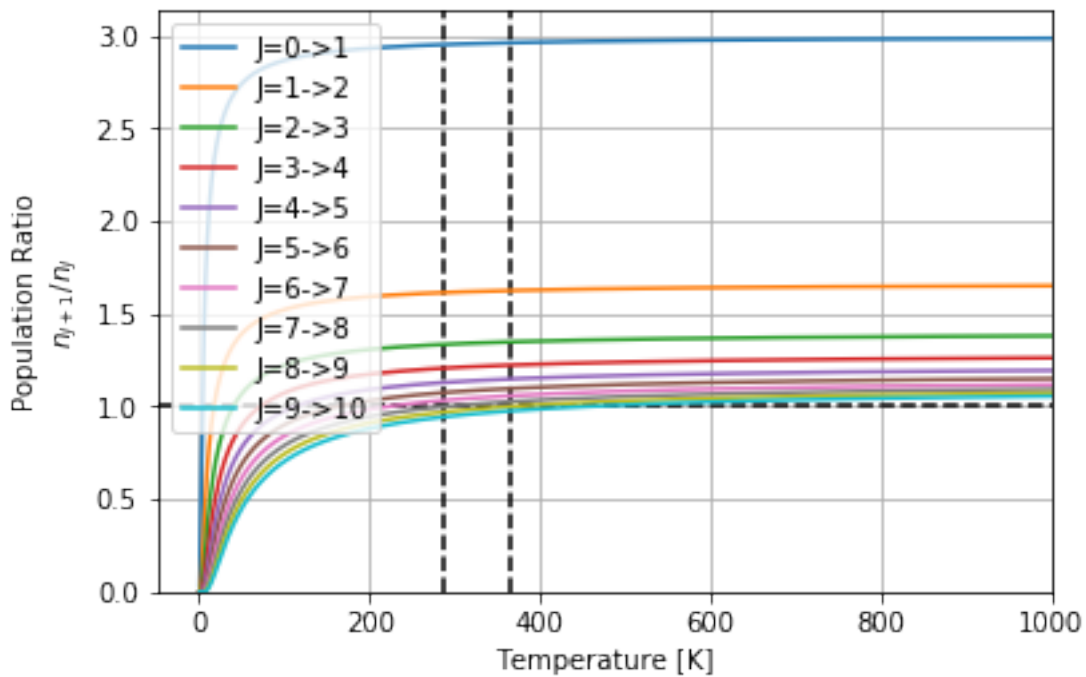
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In [8]: A_vec_incr = [0] * len(J_vec)
        for i, J in enumerate(J_vec):
            A_vec_incr[i] = A_dip(Ji=J, Jf=J+1)
        plt.plot(J_vec+1, A_vec_incr, 'o')
        plt.xlabel('$J_{upper}$')
        plt.ylabel('Einstein A [1/s]\n$\Delta n=1$\n$\Delta J=+1$')
        plt.grid()
        plt.xlim(0, num_J+0.5);
        # plt.xticks(range(num_J+1));
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In [9]: A_vec_decr = [0] * len(J_vec)
        for i, J in enumerate(J_vec):
            A_vec_decr[i] = A_dip(Ji=J+1, Jf=J)
        plt.plot(J_vec+1, A_vec_decr, 'o')
        plt.xlabel('$J_{upper}$')
        plt.ylabel('Einstein A [1/s]\n$\Delta n=1$\n$\Delta J=-1$')
        plt.grid()
        plt.xlim(0, num_J+0.5);
        # plt.xticks(range(num_J+1));
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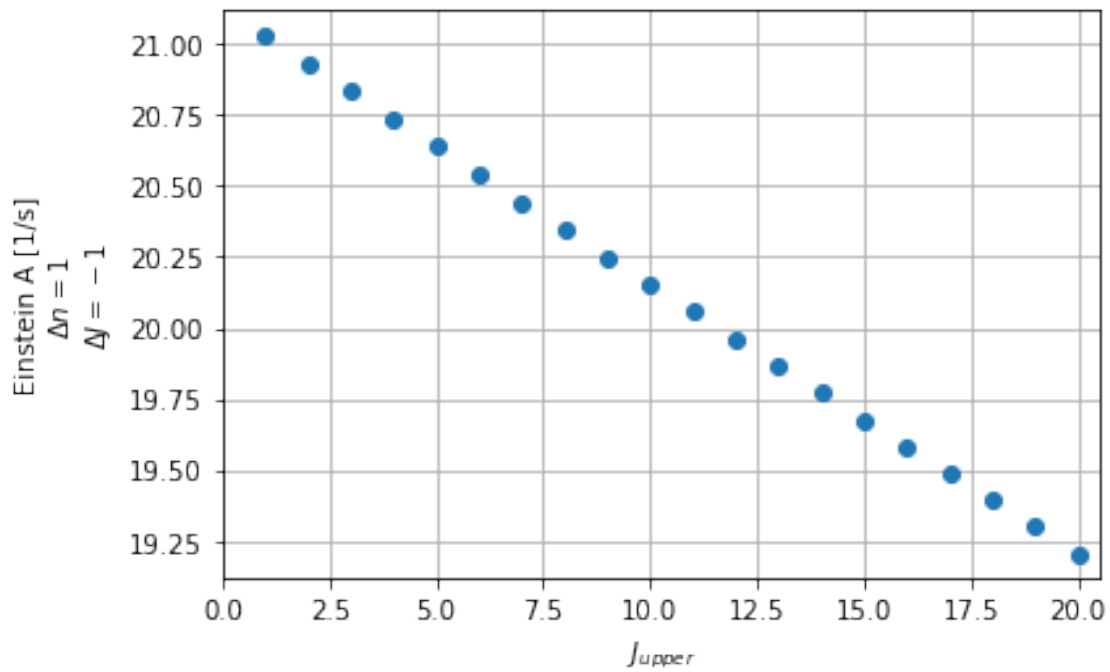
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In [10]: T_mid = T_min
         idx_T = np.argwhere(np.diff(np.sign(T_vec-T_mid))).flatten()[0]
         nu_vec_incr = omega_rovib(Ji=J_vec, Jf=J_vec+1)/(2*np.pi)
         nu_vec_decr = omega_rovib(Ji=J_vec+1, Jf=J_vec)/(2*np.pi)

         k_vec_incr = nu_vec_incr/c
         k_vec_decr = nu_vec_decr/c

         # Population normalizing with respect to the population @ J=0
         pop_vec = [1] + [0]*len(J_vec)

         for i, J in enumerate(J_vec):
             pop_vec[i+1] = pop_vec[i] * ratio_nJ_dict[J][idx_T]

         pop_upper_vec = pop_vec[1:]

         # Calculating emission coefficient, assuming the line profile function is constant
         j_nu_vec_incr = h_Planck*nu_vec_incr/(4*np.pi) * np.array(A_vec_incr) * pop_upper_vec
         j_nu_vec_decr = h_Planck*nu_vec_decr/(4*np.pi) * np.array(A_vec_decr) * pop_upper_vec

In [11]: plt.stem(k_vec_incr, j_nu_vec_incr)
         plt.stem(k_vec_decr, j_nu_vec_decr)
         xmin, xmax = plt.xlim();
         plt.xlim(xmax, xmin)
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plt.ylim(0)
plt.xlabel('Wavenumber [1/cm]');
plt.ylabel('Emissivity [erg/(s.cm$^3$.sr.Hz)]');
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