



# ASTRO C207 Radiative Processes in Astrophysics

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## Problem Set 5

### 1. Good Rovibrations

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

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

$$v_{\text{center}} = ck_{\text{center}}$$

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

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

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

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

$$|\Delta n| = 1$$

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

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

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  $T \in [288, 365)\text{K}$

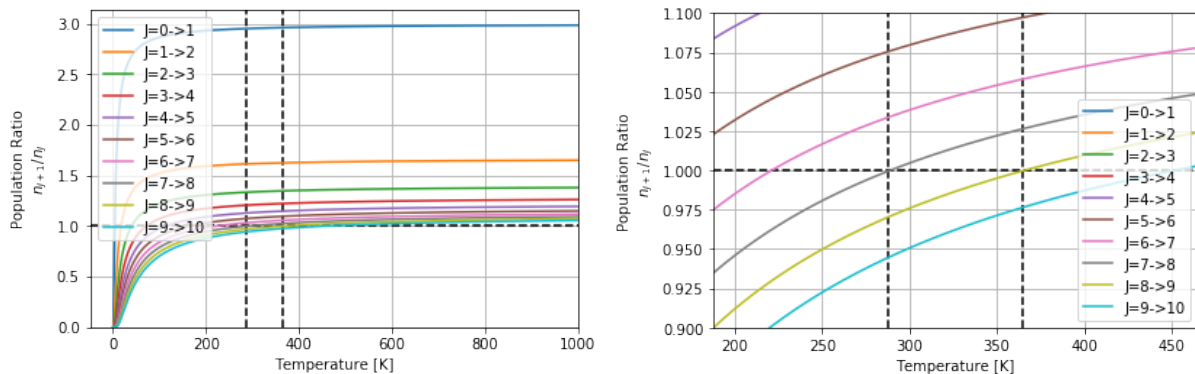


Figure 1: The population ratios vs. temperature for different values of  $J \rightarrow J + 1$

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

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

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

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

with

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

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

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  $n$ .

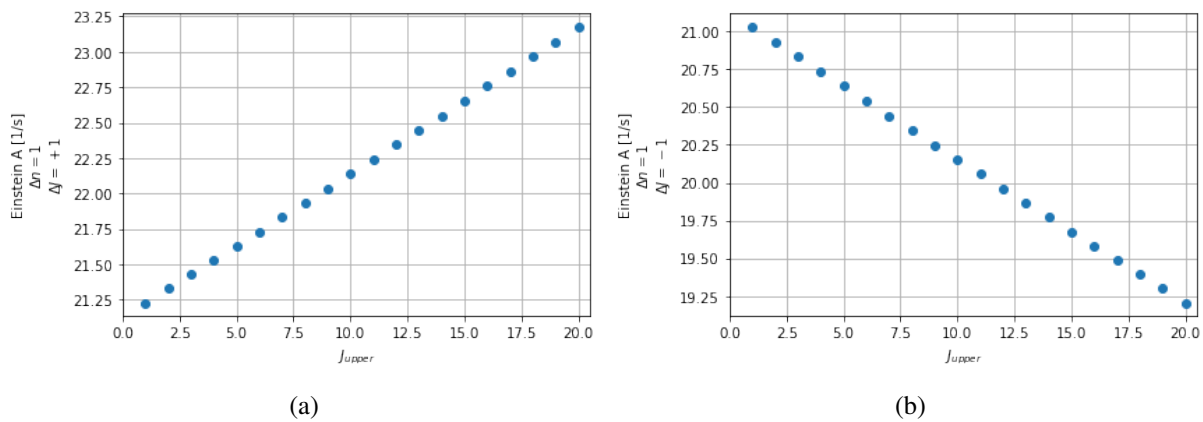


Figure 2: Calculated Einstein A coefficients for the R (??) and P (??) branches

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,

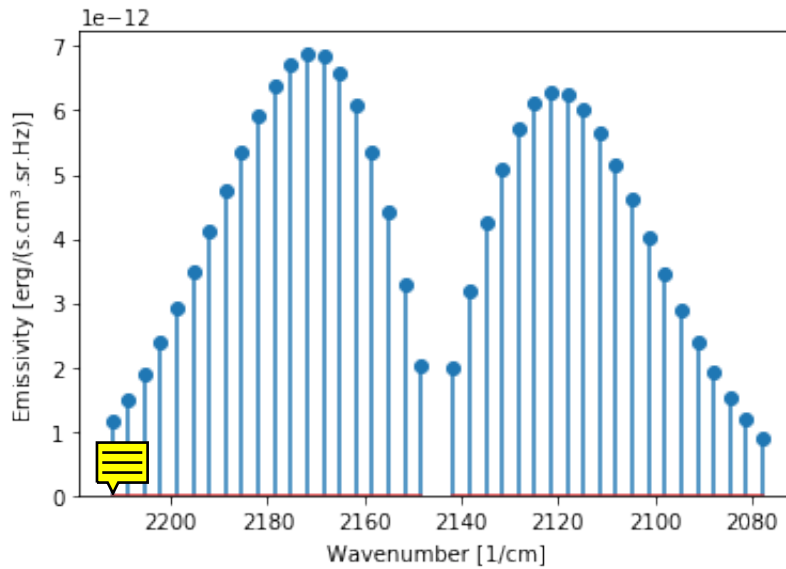


Figure 3: Emissivity assuming  $\nu_0 = 2145\text{cm}^{-1} \cdot c$ .

(5)

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*

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

from pprint import pprint
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In [2]: 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

In [3]: k_center = 2145 # cycles/cm, center wavenumber
nu_center = k_center*c # Hz
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In [4]: 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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        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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        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 T'
            if len(idx_cross1_J) == 1:
                T_cross1_J[i] = T_vec[idx_cross1_J[0]]

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(), linestyle='dashed')
        T_min = T_cross1_J[J_infl]

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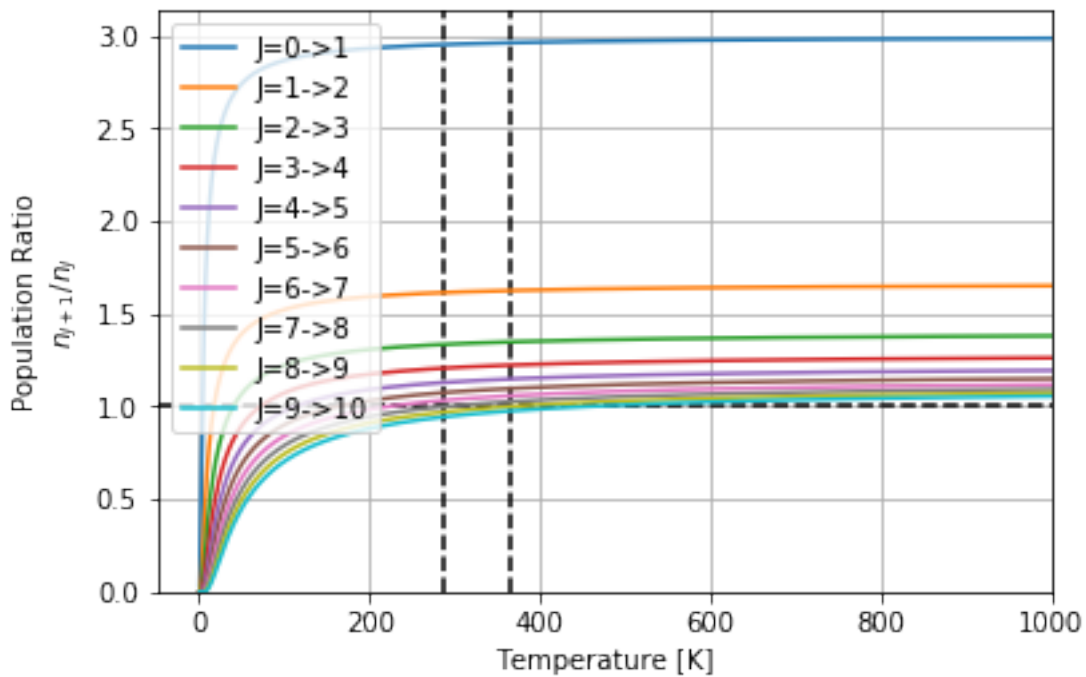
T_max = T_cross1_J[J_infl+1]
plt.vlines(T_min, *plt.ylim(), linestyle='dashed')
plt.vlines(T_max, *plt.ylim(), linestyle='dashed')
print(f'Temperature Range: [{T_min}, {T_max}] K')

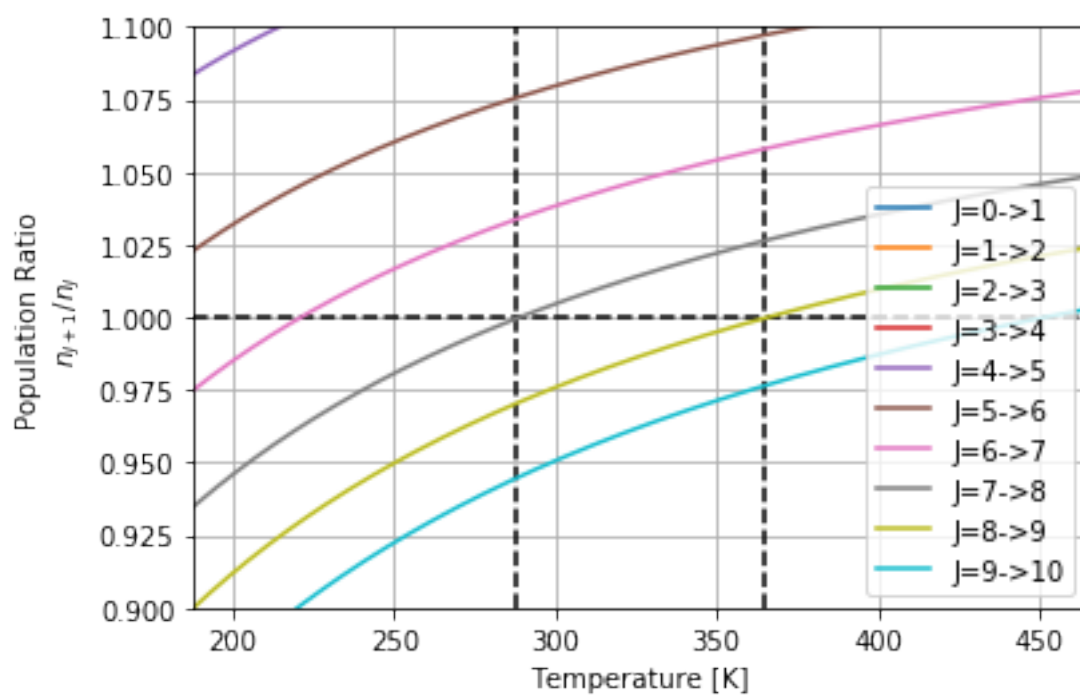
# For visibility
plt.figure()
for J in J_vec_shortened:
    plt.plot(T_vec, ratio_nJ_dict[J], label=f'J={J}->{J+1}')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.xlabel('Temperature [K]');
plt.ylabel('Population Ratio\n $n_{J+1}/n_J$ ');
plt.xlim(T_min-100, T_max+100);
plt.ylim(0.9, 1.1);

# Annotations
plt.hlines(1, *plt.xlim(), linestyle='dashed');
plt.vlines(T_min, *plt.ylim(), linestyle='dashed');
plt.vlines(T_max, *plt.ylim(), linestyle='dashed');

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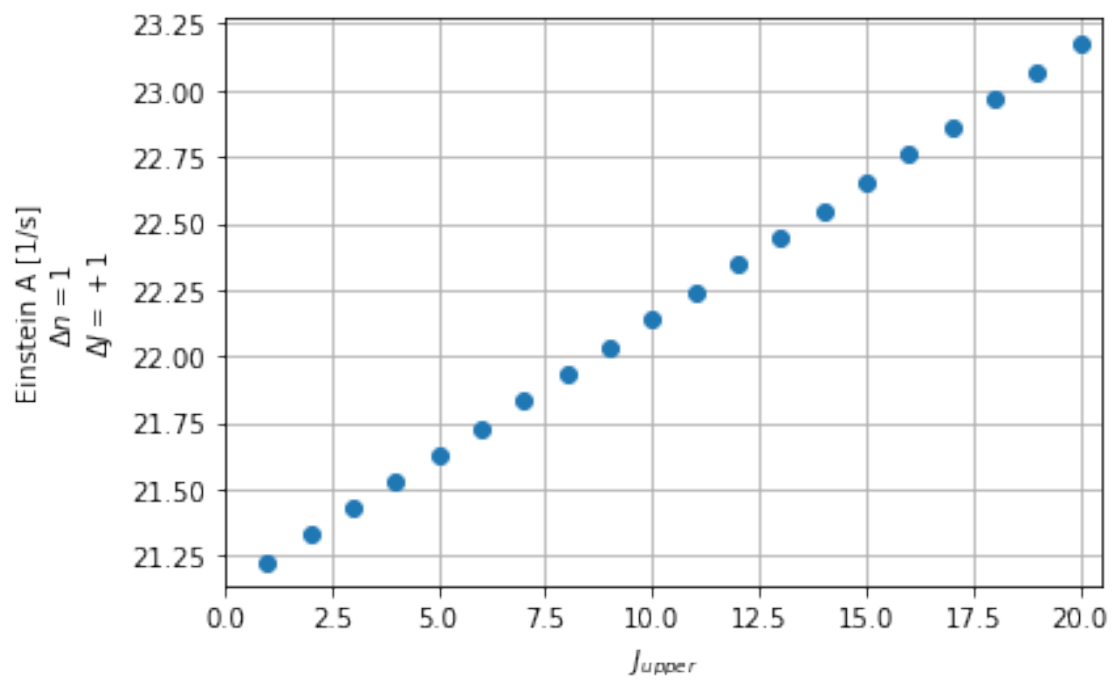
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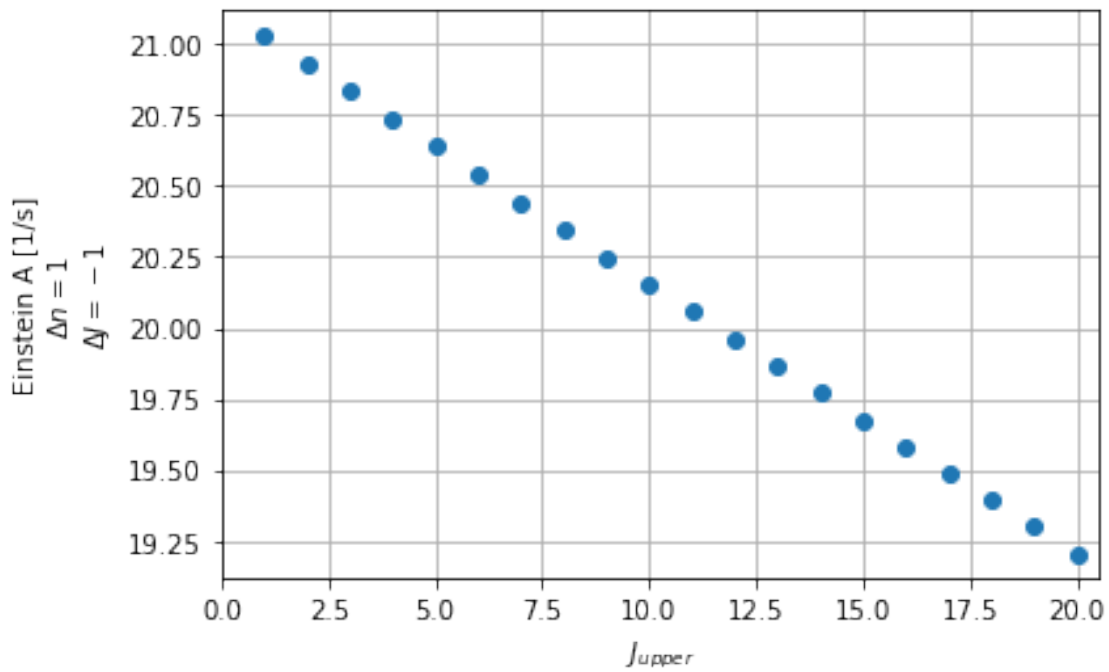


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In [8]: A_vec_incr = [0] * len(J_vec)
        for i, J in enumerate(J_vec):
            A_vec_incr[i] = A_dip(Ji=J, Jf=J+1)
        plt.plot(J_vec+1, A_vec_incr, 'o')
        plt.xlabel('$J_{upper}$')
        plt.ylabel('Einstein A [1/s] \n $\Delta n=1$ \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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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.cm3.sr.Hz)]');
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