# The 'Case-By-Case' Schema for Molecular States in XSAMS - v0.2.1

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## Introduction

The 'case-by-case' XML description of molecular states within XSAMS is designed to provide a straightforward and 'flat' data structure for representing the quantum numbers and symmetries that define a molecular state. As of version 0.2.1, 12 cases have been implemented, covering the needs of the HITRAN, CDMS, and BASECOL databases.

Each case is identified by a prefix and a version, and belongs to the namespace given (currently) by the URI http://www.ucl.ac.uk/~ucapch0/XSAMS/cases/
cases/
cases/
cases/<prefix>/<version>. At least for the time being, it is suggested that validation is through Namespace Validation Dispatch Language (NVDL). This may be implemented by including the relevant processing instruction in the XSAMS XML instance document, after the XML declaration. For example, using the oxygen editor

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<?oxygen NVDLSchema="cbc.nvdl"?>
```

The NVDL Schema document, cbc.nvdl contains a set of rules which link the namespaces encountered in the XML document with the Schemata required to validate them. An sample NVDL document may be downloaded from http://www.ucl.ac.uk/~ucapch0/XSAMS/.

## The Cases

The identified cases are described in the following section; some examples are given below. It should be noted that the rovibronic states of different electronic states of a molecule may be described using different cases. For example, the ground,  $X^2\Pi$  electronic state of NO may be described within the hunda case whereas the excited,  $A^2\Sigma^+$  electronic state would be better described using the hundb case. The electronic state is identified by its single-letter spectroscopic symbol (X, A, a, B, etc.)

There follows a list of the cases identified in version 0.2.1 of XSAMS with some examples:

- 0. General case for arbitrary quantum numbers and symmetry (gen)
- 1. Diatomic closed shell (dcs): CO, N<sub>2</sub>, NO<sup>+</sup>
- 2. Hund's case (a) diatomics (hunda): NO, OH [for low J]
- 3. Hund's case (b) diatomics (hundb):  $O_2$ , OH [for high J]
- 4. Closed-shell, linear triatomic molecules (ltcs): CO<sub>2</sub>, HCN
- 5. Closed-shell, non-linear triatomic molecules (nltcs): H<sub>2</sub>O
- 6. Closed-shell, symmetric top molecules (stcs): NH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>Cl
- 7. Closed-shell, linear, polyatomic molecules (1pcs): C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>
- 8. Closed-shell, asymmetric top molecules (asymcs): C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

- 9. Open-shell, asymmetric top molecules (asymos): CH<sub>3</sub>O
- 10. Closed-shell, spherical top molecules (sphcs): CH<sub>4</sub>, SF<sub>6</sub>
- 11. Open-shell, spherical top molecules (sphos)
- 12. Open-shell, linear triatomic molecules (1tos): CCH
- 13. Open-shell, linear, polyatomic molecules (lpos): C<sub>3</sub>H, C<sub>10</sub>H
- 14. Open-shell, non-linear triatomic molecules (nltos): HO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>

## Examples

The element <case:QNs>should be placed within the XSAMS element MolecularState (although this cannot be enforced using NVDL). Some examples follow.

## Example 1: a rovibrational state of CO

The v=0, J=1 state of the ground electronic state of CO has the following representation in the 'case-by-case' formulism:

#### Example 2: a rovibrational state of NH<sub>3</sub>

The J=22, K=10 rotational state of the  $(1,0^+,0^0,2^2)$  vibrational level of NH<sub>3</sub> could be represented by the following XML:

#### Example 3: two states of different electronic states of MgH

This example shows two states of the MgH radical, using different cases for the  $X^2\Sigma^+$  and  $A^2\Pi$  electronic states:

```
<MolecularState stateID="S1-MgH-1">
 <Description>
   A state in the ground electronic state, X(2Sigma+), of MgH
 </Description>
 <MolecularStateCharacterisation>
   <StateEnergy energyOrigin="Zero-point from calculation based on N^2 Hamiltonian">
      <Value units="1/cm">0.</Value>
   </StateEnergy>
   <TotalStatisticalWeight>4</TotalStatisticalWeight>
 </MolecularStateCharacterisation>
 <hundb:QNs>
   <hundb:ElecStateLabel>X</hundb:ElecStateLabel>
   <hundb:Lambda>0</hundb:Lambda>
   <hundb:S>0.5</hundb:S>
   <hundb:v>0</hundb:v>
   <hundb: J>0.5</hundb: J>
   <hundb: N>0</hundb: N>
   <hundb:SpinComponentLabel>1</hundb:SpinComponentLabel>
   <hundb:parity>+</hundb:parity>
   <hundb:kronigParity>e</hundb:kronigParity>
 </hundb:QNs>
</MolecularState>
<MolecularState stateID="S1001-MgH-1">
 <Description>
   A state in the first excited electronic state, A(2Pi) of MgH
 </Description>
 <MolecularStateCharacterisation>
   <StateEnergy energyOrigin="Zero-point of electronic ground state">
      <Value units="1/cm">19273.2694</Value>
   </StateEnergy>
   <TotalStatisticalWeight>4</TotalStatisticalWeight>
 </MolecularStateCharacterisation>
 <hunda:QNs>
   <hunda:ElecStateLabel>A</hunda:ElecStateLabel>
   <hunda:Lambda>1</hunda:Lambda>
   <hunda:Omega>0.5</hunda:Omega>
   <hunda:S>0.5</hunda:S>
   <hunda:v>0</hunda:v>
   <hunda:J>0.5</hunda:J>
   <hunda:parity>-</hunda:parity>
   <hunda:kronigParity>f</hunda:kronigParity>
 </hunda:QNs>
</MolecularState>
```

# Diatomic closed-shell molecules: dcs

| ElecStateLabel  |
|---|
| Element   |
| <dcs:elecstatelabel></dcs:elecstatelabel>   |
| Attributes  |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state: $X$ , $A$ , $a$ , $B$ , etc |
| Restrictions  |
| • string.   |
|   |
| v   |
| Element   |
| <dcs:v></dcs:v>   |
|   |
| Attributes  |
| Attributes None.  |
| None.   |
| None.  Description  |
| None.   |
| None.  Description  |

J

## **Element**

<dcs:J>

## Attributes

None.

#### Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin, J.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $F_1$ 

#### **Element**

<dcs:F1>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  ${\pmb J}$  to form the intermediate angular momentum.

## Description

 $F_1$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 1 where two such couplings are resolved:  $F_1 = J + I_1$ ;  $F_1$  is often not a good quantum number.

## Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|J I_1| \le F_1 \le J + I_1$ .

F

## **Element**

<dcs:F>

## Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to J (or  $F_1$ ) to form the total angular momentum.

## Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_1 + I_2$  if both couplings are resolved.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

## Element

<dcs:r>

## Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

## Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

#### **Element**

<dcs:parity>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

parity is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

## Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

asSym

## Element

<dcs:asSym>

## Attributes

None.

#### Description

asSym is (for diatomic molecules with a centre of inversion) the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

#### Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# Hund's case (a) diatomics: hunda

|                | • |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| ElecStateLabel |   |  |

## Element

<hunda:ElecStateLabel>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state:  $X,\,A,\,a,\,B,\,{\rm etc.}$ .

## Restrictions

• string.

elecInv

## **Element**

<hunda:elecInv>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

elecInv is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system.

## Restrictions

• 'g' or 'u'.

## elecRefl

#### **Element**

<hunda:elecRefl>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

elecRefl is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to reflection in a plane containing the molecular symmetry axis in the molecular coordinate system (equivalent to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the laboratory coordinate system).

## Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

 $|\Lambda|$ 

#### **Element**

<hunda:Lambda>

#### **Attributes**

None.

#### Description

|A| is the quantum number associated with the magnitude of the projection of the total electronic orbital angular momentum, L, onto the molecular axis.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $|\Sigma|$ 

#### **Element**

<hunda:Sigma>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

 $|\mathcal{L}|$  is the quantum number associated with the magnitude of the projection of S onto the molecular axis.

## Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-odd integer.
- $|\Sigma| = S, S 1, \dots, \frac{1}{2}$  or 0.

 $\Omega$ 

#### **Element**

<hunda:Omega>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

 $\Omega$  is the quantum number associated with the projection of the total angular momentum (excluding nuclear spin), J, onto the molecular axis:  $\Omega = |\Lambda + \Sigma|$  (or  $\Omega = |\Lambda| + \Sigma$  if  $S > |\Lambda| > 0$ ).

#### Restrictions

- $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|\Omega| \leq J$ .

S

## Element

<hunda:S>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

S is the quantum number associated with the total electronic spin angular momentum,  $\boldsymbol{S}.$ 

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

v

## **Element**

<hunda:v>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

v is the vibrational quantum number.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

J

## **Element**

<hunda:J>

## Attributes

None.

#### Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin: J = L + S + R.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

 $F_1$ 

#### **Element**

<hunda:F1>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  ${\pmb J}$  to form the intermediate angular momentum.

## Description

 $F_1$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 1 where two such couplings are resolved:  $F_1 = J + I_1$ ;  $F_1$  is often not a good quantum number.

## Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|J I_1| \le F_1 \le J + I_1$ .

F

## **Element**

<hunda:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to J (or  $F_1$ ) to form the total angular momentum.

## Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved;  $F = F_1 + I_2$  if both couplings are resolved.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

#### **Element**

<hunda:r>

## Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

## Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

## **Element**

<hunda:parity>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

## Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

kronigParity

#### **Element**

<hunda:kronigParity>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

kronigParity is the 'rotationless' parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction excluding nuclear spin and rotation with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system. For integral J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J}$ ,  $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J}$ .

For half-odd integer J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  
 $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}}$ .

.

## Restrictions

• 'e' or 'f'.

asSym

## **Element**

<hunda:asSym>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

asSym is (for diatomic molecules with a centre of inversion) the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

## Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# Hund's case (b) diatomics: hundb

## ${\tt ElecStateLabel}$

## **Element**

<hundb:ElecStateLabel>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state:  $X,\,A,\,a,\,B,\,{\rm etc.}$ .

## Restrictions

• string.

## elecInv

## **Element**

<hundb:elecInv>

## Attributes

None.

#### Description

elecInv is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system.

#### Restrictions

• 'g' or 'u'.

## elecRefl

#### **Element**

<hundb:elecRefl>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

elecRefl is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to reflection in a plane containing the molecular symmetry axis in the molecular coordinate system (equivalent to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the laboratory coordinate system).

## Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

 $|\Lambda|$ 

#### **Element**

<hundb:Lambda>

#### **Attributes**

None.

#### Description

|A| is the quantum number associated with the magnitude of the projection of the total electronic orbital angular momentum, L, onto the molecular axis.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

S

## Element

<hundb:S>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

S is the quantum number associated with the total electronic spin angular momentum,  $\boldsymbol{S}.$ 

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

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## **Element**

<hundb:v>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

v is the vibrational quantum number.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

J

## Element

<hundb:J>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin: J = N + S = L + S + R.

## Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $\bullet |N-S| \le J \le N+S.$

N

## **Element**

<hundb:N>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

N is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding electronic and nuclear spin, N: J = N + S.

## Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $N \ge |\Lambda|$ .

## SpinComponentLabel

#### **Element**

<hundb:SpinComponentLabel>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

SpinComponentLabel is the positive integer identifying the spin-component label,  $F_x$ , where  $x = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$  in order of increasing energy for a given value of J - see Herzberg, Spectra of Diatomic Molecules, Van Nostrand, Princeton, N.J., 1950.

## Restrictions

• positive integer.

 $F_1$ 

#### Element

<hundb:F1>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  ${\pmb J}$  to form the intermediate angular momentum.

#### Description

 $F_1$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 1 where two such couplings are resolved:  $F_1 = J + I_1$ ;  $F_1$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

- $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|J I_1| \le F_1 \le J + I_1$ .

F

## **Element**

<hundb:F>

## Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to J (or  $F_1$ ) to form the total angular momentum.

## Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved;  $F = F_1 + I_2$  if both couplings are resolved.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

#### **Element**

<hundb:r>

## Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

## Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

## **Element**

<hundb:parity>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

## Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

kronigParity

#### **Element**

<hundb:kronigParity>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

kronigParity is the 'rotationless' parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction excluding nuclear spin and rotation with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system. For integral J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J}$ ,  $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J}$ .

For half-odd integer J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  
 $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}}$ .

.

## Restrictions

• 'e' or 'f'.

asSym

## **Element**

<hundb:asSym>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

asSym is (for diatomic molecules with a centre of inversion) the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

## Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# Closed-shell, linear triatomic molecules: ltcs

ElecStateLabel

<u>Element</u>

| <pre><ltcs:elecstatelabel></ltcs:elecstatelabel></pre>                                  |
|---|
| Attributes  |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state: $X$ , $A$ , $a$ , $B$ , etc |
| Restrictions  |
| • string.   |
|   |
| $v_1$   |
| Element   |
| <ltcs:v1></ltcs:v1>   |
| Attributes  |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| $v_1$ is the vibrational quantum number associated with the $\nu_1$ normal mode.        |
| Restrictions  |
| • non-negative integer.   |

 $v_2$ 

## Element

<ltcs:v2>

## Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $v_2$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the doubly-degenerate  $\nu_2$  normal mode.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $l_2$ 

## **Element**

<1tcs:12>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

 $l_2$  is the vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with the degenerate bending vibration,  $\nu_2$ ; positive and negative values distinguish l-type doubling components.

#### Restrictions

- integer.
- $|l_2| = v_2, v_2 2, \cdots, 1 \text{ or } 0.$

 $v_3$ 

## Element

<ltcs:v3>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

 $v_3$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_3$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

J

## **Element**

<ltcs:J>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $F_1$ 

#### **Element**

<ltcs:F1>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  ${m J}$  to form the intermediate angular momentum.

## Description

 $F_1$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 1 where two or more such couplings are resolved:  $F_1 = J + I_1$ ;  $F_1$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|J I_1| \le F_1 \le J + I_1$ .

 $F_2$ 

#### **Element**

<1tcs:F2>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $F_1$  to form an intermediate angular momentum.

## Description

 $F_2$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 2 where three such couplings are resolved:  $F_2 = F_1 + I_2$ ;  $F_2$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_1 I_2| \le F_2 \le F_1 + I_2$ .

F

## Element

<ltcs:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $J, F_1,$  or F to form the total angular momentum.

## Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one hyperfine coupling is resolved,  $F = F_1 + I_2$  if two couplings are resolved, or  $F = F_2 + I_3$  if all three couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_2 I_3| \le F \le F_2 + I_3$ .

r

## Element

<ltcs:r>

## Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

## Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

## **Element**

<ltcs:parity>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

## Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

kronigParity

#### **Element**

<ltcs:kronigParity>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

kronigParity is the 'rotationless' parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction excluding nuclear spin and rotation with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system. For integral J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J}$ ,  $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J}$ .

For half-odd integer J, the levels are called:

$$e ext{ if parity is } + (-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}},$$
 
$$f ext{ if parity is } - (-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}}.$$

.

## Restrictions

• 'e' or 'f'.

asSym

## **Element**

<ltcs:asSym>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

asSym is (for linear molecules with a centre of inversion) the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

## Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# Closed-shell, non-linear triatomics: nltcs

 ${\tt ElecStateLabel}$ 

 $\underline{\mathbf{Element}}$ 

| <pre><nltcs:elecstatelabel></nltcs:elecstatelabel></pre>                                |
|---|
| <u>Attributes</u>   |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state: $X$ , $A$ , $a$ , $B$ , etc |
| Restrictions  |
| • string.   |
|   |
| $v_1$   |
| Element   |
| <nltcs:v1></nltcs:v1>   |
| Attributes  |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| $v_1$ is the vibrational quantum number associated with the $\nu_1$ normal mode.        |
| Restrictions  |
| • non-negative integer.   |

 $v_2$ 

## Element

<nltcs:v2>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

 $v_2$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_2$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $v_3$ 

## **Element**

<nltcs:v3>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

 $v_3$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_3$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

 $\bullet$  non-negative integer.

J

# Element

<nltcs:J>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $K_a$ 

#### **Element**

<nltcs:Ka>

#### **Attributes**

None.

# Description

 $K_a$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the prolate symmetric top limit.

- non-negative integer.
- $K_a \leq J$ .
- $K_a + K_c = J \text{ or } J + 1.$

 $K_c$ 

#### Element

<nltcs:Kc>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $K_c$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the oblate symmetric top limit.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $K_c \leq J$ .
- $K_a + K_c = J \text{ or } J + 1.$

 $F_1$ 

# Element

<nltcs:F1>

#### **Attributes**

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  ${m J}$  to form the intermediate angular momentum.

# Description

 $F_1$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 1 where two or more such couplings are resolved:  $F_1 = J + I_1$ ;  $F_1$  is often not a good quantum number.

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|J I_1| \le F_1 \le J + I_1$ .

 $F_2$ 

#### Element

<nltcs:F2>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $F_1$  to form an intermediate angular momentum.

#### Description

 $F_2$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 2 where three such couplings are resolved:  $F_2 = F_1 + I_2$ ;  $F_2$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_1 I_2| \le F_2 \le F_1 + I_2$ .

F

#### **Element**

<nltcs:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $J,\ F_1,$  or F to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one hyperfine coupling is resolved,  $F = F_1 + I_2$  if two couplings are resolved, or  $F = F_2 + I_3$  if all three couplings are resolved.

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_2 I_3| \le F \le F_2 + I_3$ .

 $\gamma$ 

# Element

<nltcs:r>

#### Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

# parity

#### **Element**

<nltcs:parity>

#### Attributes

None.

# Description

parity is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

asSym

# **Element**

<nltcs:asSym>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

asSym is the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

# $\underline{\bf Restrictions}$

• 's' or 'a'.

# Closed shell, symmetric-top molecules: stcs

ElecStateLabel

<stcs:ElecStateLabel>

**Element** 

# Attributes None. Description ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state. Restrictions • string. $v_i$ Element <stcs:vi> Attributes mode: a positive integer, identifying the normal mode that this quantum number is associated with. Description $v_i$ is the vibrational quantum number associated with the $\nu_i$ normal mode. Restrictions • non-negative integer.

 $l_i$ 

#### Element

<stcs:li>

# Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the degenerate normal mode that this vibrational angular momentum quantum number is associated with.

# Description

 $l_i$  is the vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with the degenerate  $\nu_i$  normal mode; positive and negative values distinguish l-type doubling components.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $|l_i| = v_i, v_i 2, \dots, 1 \text{ or } 0.$

vibInv

#### **Element**

<stcs:vibInv>

# Attributes

None.

#### Description

vibInv is the parity of the vibrational wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system. Only really necessary for molecules with a low barrier to such an inversion (for example, NH<sub>3</sub>).

#### Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# vibSym

# **Element**

<stcs:vibSym>

# Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

# ${\bf Description}$

 ${\tt vibSym}$  is the symmetry species of the vibrational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

# Restrictions

• string.

J

#### **Element**

<stcs:J>

# Attributes

None.

# ${\bf Description}$

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

# Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

K

# Element

<stcs:K>

# Attributes

None.

#### Description

K is the quantum number associated with the projection of the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin, J, onto the molecular symmetry axis.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $K \leq J$ .

rotSym

#### **Element**

<stcs:rotSym>

# $\underline{\textbf{Attributes}}$

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

#### Description

 ${\tt rotSym}$  is the symmetry species of the rotational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

# Restrictions

• string.

Ι

#### Element

<stcs:I>

#### Attributes

nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the group of nuclear spins coupled to one another to form a total nuclear spin angular momentum.

## Description

I is the quantum number associated with the total nuclear spin angular momentum:  $I = I_1 + I_2 + \cdots$  where nuclei  $1, 2, \cdots$  have individual nuclear spin angular momenta  $I_1, I_2, \cdots$ .

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

 $F_{j}$ 

#### Element

<stcs:Fj>

# Attributes

- nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_{j-1}$  to form an intermediate angular momentum;
- j: an integer label identifying the order of the hyperfine coupling

.

#### Description

 $F_j$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the nuclear spin angular momentum of nucleus j to the intermediate angular momentum:  $F_1 = J + I_1$  or  $F_j = F_{j-1} + I_j$ ;  $F_j$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.

F

#### **Element**

<stcs:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_j$  to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_{j-1} + I_j$  if two or more such couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

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#### **Element**

<stcs:r>

# Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

# Element

<stcs:parity>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

# $\underline{\bf Restrictions}$

• '+' or '-'.

# Closed-shell, linear polyatomic molecules: lpcs

ElecStateLabel

<lpcs:ElecStateLabel>

<u>Element</u>

| Attributes   |
|--|
| None.  |
| Description  |
| ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state.  |
| Restrictions   |
| • string.  |
|  |
| $v_i$  |
| <u>Element</u>   |
| <pre><lpcs:vi></lpcs:vi></pre>   |
| Attributes   |
| mode: a positive integer, identifying the normal mode that this quantum number is associated with. |
| Description  |
| $v_i$ is the vibrational quantum number associated with the $\nu_i$ normal mode.                   |
| Restrictions   |
| • non-negative integer.  |

 $l_i$ 

#### Element

<lpcs:li>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the degenerate normal mode that this vibrational angular momentum quantum number is associated with.

#### Description

 $l_i$  is the vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with the degenerate  $\nu_i$  normal mode; positive and negative values distinguish l-type doubling components; if two or more degenerate vibrations are excited,  $l_i$  is only approximately defined (i.e. it is not a totally good quantum number) - see e.g. Herzerg II, p.212.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $|l_i| = v_i, v_i 2, \dots, 1 \text{ or } 0.$

l

#### Element

<1pcs:1>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

l is the total vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with resultant vibrational angular momentum about the internuclear axis.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

vibInv

#### **Element**

<lpcs:vibInv>

#### Attributes

None.

# Description

vibInv is the parity of the vibrational wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system.

#### Restrictions

• 'g' or 'u'.

vibRefl

#### **Element**

<lpcs:vibRefl>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

<code>vibRefl</code> is the parity of the vibrational wavefunction with respect to reflection in a plane containing the molecular symmetry axis in the molecular coordinate system.

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

J

#### **Element**

<lpcs:J>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin, J.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $J \geq |l|$ .

Ι

#### Element

<lpcs:I>

# Attributes

nuclearSpinRef: a label, matching /Q.+/ identifying the group of nuclear spins coupled to one another to form a total nuclear spin angular momentum.

# Description

I is the quantum number associated with the total nuclear spin angular momentum:  $I = I_1 + I_2 + \cdots$  where nuclei  $1, 2, \cdots$  have individual nuclear spin angular momenta  $I_1, I_2, \cdots$ .

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

 $F_j$ 

#### **Element**

<lpcs:Fj>

#### Attributes

- nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_{j-1}$  to form an intermediate angular momentum;
- $\bullet$  j: an integer label identifying the order of the hyperfine coupling

.

#### Description

 $F_j$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the nuclear spin angular momentum of nucleus j to the intermediate angular momentum:  $F_1 = J + I_1$  or  $F_j = F_{j-1} + I_j$ ;  $F_j$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

F

#### Element

<lpcs:F>

#### **Attributes**

nuclearSpinRef: a label, matching /Q.+/ identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_j$  to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_{j-1} + I_j$  if two or more such couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

# Element

<lpcs:r>

#### Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

# parity

#### **Element**

<lpcs:parity>

#### Attributes

None.

# Description

parity is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

kronigParity

#### **Element**

<lpcs:kronigParity>

#### **Attributes**

None.

#### Description

kronigParity is the 'rotationless' parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction excluding nuclear spin and rotation with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system. For integral J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J}$ ,  $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J}$ .

For half-odd integer J, the levels are called:

$$e \text{ if parity is } + (-1)^{J - \frac{1}{2}},$$
  
$$f \text{ if parity is } - (-1)^{J - \frac{1}{2}}.$$

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# Restrictions

• 'e' or 'f'.

asSym

# **Element**

<lpcs:asSym>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

asSym is (for linear molecules with a centre of inversion) the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

# Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# Closed-shell, asymmetric top molecules: asymcs

# ElecStateLabel

#### **Element**

<asymcs:ElecStateLabel>

#### Attributes

None.

# Description

 ${\tt ElecStateLabel} \ {\rm is} \ {\rm a} \ {\rm label} \ {\rm identifying} \ {\rm the} \ {\rm electronic} \ {\rm state}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• string.

 $v_i$ 

#### **Element**

<asymcs:vi>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the normal mode that this quantum number is associated with.

# Description

 $v_i$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_i$  normal mode.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

#### vibInv

#### **Element**

<asymcs:vibInv>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

vibInv is the parity of the vibrational wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system..

#### Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# vibSym

#### **Element**

<asymcs:vibSym>

# Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

# Description

 ${\tt vibSym}$  is the symmetry species of the vibrational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

# Restrictions

• string.

J

# Element

<asymcs:J>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $K_a$ 

#### $\underline{\mathbf{Element}}$

<asymcs:Ka>

#### **Attributes**

None.

# Description

 $K_a$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the prolate symmetric top limit.

- non-negative integer.
- $K_a \leq J$ .
- $K_a + K_c = J \text{ or } J + 1.$

 $K_c$ 

# Element

<asymcs:Kc>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

 $K_c$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the oblate symmetric top limit.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $K_c \leq J$ .
- $K_a + K_c = J \text{ or } J + 1.$

rotSym

#### Element

<asymcs:rotSym>

# $\underline{\textbf{Attributes}}$

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

# Description

 ${\tt rotSym}$  is the symmetry species of the rotational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

# Restrictions

 $\bullet$  string.

Ι

#### Element

<asymcs:I>

#### Attributes

nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the group of nuclear spins coupled to one another to form a total nuclear spin angular momentum.

#### Description

I is the quantum number associated with the total nuclear spin angular momentum:  $I = I_1 + I_2 + \cdots$  where nuclei  $1, 2, \cdots$  have individual nuclear spin angular momenta  $I_1, I_2, \cdots$ .

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

 $F_{j}$ 

#### Element

<asymcs:Fj>

# Attributes

- nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_{j-1}$  to form an intermediate angular momentum;
- j: an integer label identifying the order of the hyperfine coupling

.

#### Description

 $F_j$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the nuclear spin angular momentum of nucleus j to the intermediate angular momentum:  $F_1 = J + I_1$  or  $F_j = F_{j-1} + I_j$ ;  $F_j$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

F

#### **Element**

<asymcs:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_j$  to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_{j-1} + I_j$  if two or more such couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

#### **Element**

<asymcs:r>

# Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

## Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

# **Element**

<asymcs:parity>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

# Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

# Open-shell, asymmetric top molecules: asymos

#### ElecStateLabel

#### **Element**

<asymos:ElecStateLabel>

#### Attributes

None.

# Description

 ${\tt ElecStateLabel} \ {\rm is} \ {\rm a} \ {\rm label} \ {\rm identifying} \ {\rm the} \ {\rm electronic} \ {\rm state}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• string.

# elecSym

#### **Element**

<asymos:elecSym>

#### Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

# Description

 ${\tt elecSym}$  is the symmetry species of the electronic wavefunction described by some symmetry group.

## Restrictions

• string.

elecInv

#### **Element**

<asymos:elecInv>

#### **Attributes**

None.

# Description

elecInv is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system..

#### Restrictions

• 'g' or 'u'.

S

#### **Element**

<asymos:S>

# Attributes

None.

# ${\bf Description}$

S is the quantum number associated with the total electronic spin angular momentum,  $\boldsymbol{S}.$ 

# Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

 $v_i$ 

# Element

<asymos:vi>

#### **Attributes**

mode: a positive integer, identifying the normal mode that this quantum number is associated with.

#### Description

 $v_i$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_i$  normal mode.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

vibInv

#### Element

<asymos:vibInv>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

vibInv is the parity of the vibrational wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system..

## Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# vibSym

#### **Element**

<asymos:vibSym>

#### Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

# ${\bf Description}$

 ${\tt vibSym}$  is the symmetry species of the vibrational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

#### Restrictions

• string.

J

#### **Element**

<asymos:J>

# Attributes

None.

# ${\bf Description}$

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

# Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

N

# Element

<asymos:N>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

N is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding electronic and nuclear spin, N: J = N + S.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $K_a$ 

#### **Element**

<asymos:Ka>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $K_a$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the prolate symmetric top limit.

- non-negative integer.
- $K_a \leq N$ .
- $K_a + K_c = N \text{ or } N + 1.$

 $K_c$ 

# Element

<asymos:Kc>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

 $K_c$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the oblate symmetric top limit.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $K_c \leq N$ .
- $K_a + K_c = N \text{ or } N + 1.$

rotSym

#### Element

<asymos:rotSym>

# $\underline{\textbf{Attributes}}$

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

# Description

 ${\tt rotSym}$  is the symmetry species of the rotational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

# Restrictions

 $\bullet$  string.

Ι

#### Element

<asymos:I>

#### Attributes

nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the group of nuclear spins coupled to one another to form a total nuclear spin angular momentum.

#### Description

I is the quantum number associated with the total nuclear spin angular momentum:  $I = I_1 + I_2 + \cdots$  where nuclei  $1, 2, \cdots$  have individual nuclear spin angular momenta  $I_1, I_2, \cdots$ .

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

 $F_{j}$ 

#### Element

<asymos:Fj>

# Attributes

- nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_{j-1}$  to form an intermediate angular momentum;
- j: an integer label identifying the order of the hyperfine coupling

.

#### Description

 $F_j$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the nuclear spin angular momentum of nucleus j to the intermediate angular momentum:  $F_1 = J + I_1$  or  $F_j = F_{j-1} + I_j$ ;  $F_j$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.

F

#### **Element**

<asymos:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_j$  to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_{j-1} + I_j$  if two or more such couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

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#### **Element**

<asymos:r>

# Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

# **Element**

<asymos:parity>

# Attributes

None.

# Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

# Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

# Closed-shell, spherical-top molecules: sphcs

#### ElecStateLabel

#### **Element**

<sphcs:ElecStateLabel>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

 ${\tt ElecStateLabel} \ {\rm is} \ {\rm a} \ {\rm label} \ {\rm identifying} \ {\rm the} \ {\rm electronic} \ {\rm state}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• string.

 $v_i$ 

#### Element

<sphcs:vi>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the normal mode that this quantum number is associated with.

## Description

 $v_i$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_i$  normal mode.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer.

 $l_i$ 

#### **Element**

<sphcs:li>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the degenerate normal mode that this vibrational angular momentum quantum number is associated with.

#### Description

 $l_i$  is the vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with the degenerate  $\nu_i$  normal mode; positive and negative values distinguish l-type doubling components.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $|l_i| = v_i, v_i 2, \dots, 1 \text{ or } 0.$

vibSym

#### Element

<sphcs:vibSym>

## Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

#### Description

 ${\tt vibSym}$  is the symmetry species of the vibrational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

#### Restrictions

• string.

J

## Element

<sphcs:J>

#### Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

## ${\bf Description}$

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet$  non-negative integer.

rotSym

#### Element

<sphcs:rotSym>

## Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

 ${\tt rotSym}$  is the symmetry species of the rotational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

#### Restrictions

• string.

Ι

#### Element

<sphcs:I>

#### Attributes

nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the group of nuclear spins coupled to one another to form a total nuclear spin angular momentum.

#### Description

I is the quantum number associated with the total nuclear spin angular momentum:  $I = I_1 + I_2 + \cdots$  where nuclei  $1, 2, \cdots$  have individual nuclear spin angular momenta  $I_1, I_2, \cdots$ .

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

 $F_{i}$ 

#### Element

<sphcs:Fj>

#### Attributes

- nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_{j-1}$  to form an intermediate angular momentum;
- j: an integer label identifying the order of the hyperfine coupling

#### Description

 $F_j$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the nuclear spin angular momentum of nucleus j to the intermediate angular momentum:  $F_1 = J + I_1$  or  $F_j = F_{j-1} + I_j$ ;  $F_j$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.

F

#### **Element**

<sphcs:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_j$  to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_{j-1} + I_j$  if two or more such couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

#### **Element**

<sphcs:r>

## Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

## **Element**

<sphcs:parity>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

## $\underline{\bf Restrictions}$

• '+' or '-'.

# Open-shell, spherical-top molecules: sphos

## ElecStateLabel

#### **Element**

<sphos:ElecStateLabel>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

 ${\tt ElecStateLabel} \ {\rm is} \ {\rm a} \ {\rm label} \ {\rm identifying} \ {\rm the} \ {\rm electronic} \ {\rm state}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• string.

## elecSym

#### Element

<sphos:elecSym>

#### **Attributes**

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

## Description

 ${\tt elecSym}$  is the symmetry species of the electronic wavefunction described by some symmetry group.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet$  string.

elecInv

#### **Element**

<sphos:elecInv>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

elecInv is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system..

#### Restrictions

• 'g' or 'u'.

S

#### **Element**

<sphos:S>

## Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

S is the quantum number associated with the total electronic spin angular momentum,  $\boldsymbol{S}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

 $v_i$ 

#### Element

<sphos:vi>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the normal mode that this quantum number is associated with.

#### Description

 $v_i$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_i$  normal mode.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $l_i$ 

#### **Element**

<sphos:li>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the degenerate normal mode that this vibrational angular momentum quantum number is associated with.

## Description

 $l_i$  is the vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with the degenerate  $\nu_i$  normal mode; positive and negative values distinguish l-type doubling components.

- non-negative integer.
- $|l_i| = v_i, v_i 2, \dots, 1 \text{ or } 0.$

## vibSym

#### **Element**

<sphos:vibSym>

#### Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

## Description

 ${\tt vibSym}$  is the symmetry species of the vibrational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

#### Restrictions

• string.

J

#### **Element**

<sphos:J>

## Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

N

## Element

<sphos:N>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

N is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding electronic and nuclear spin, N: J = N + S.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

## rotSym

#### **Element**

<sphos:rotSym>

## Attributes

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

## ${\bf Description}$

 ${\tt rotSym}$  is the symmetry species of the rotational wavefunction, in some appropriate symmetry group.

#### Restrictions

• string.

Ι

#### Element

<sphos:I>

#### Attributes

nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the group of nuclear spins coupled to one another to form a total nuclear spin angular momentum.

#### Description

I is the quantum number associated with the total nuclear spin angular momentum:  $I = I_1 + I_2 + \cdots$  where nuclei  $1, 2, \cdots$  have individual nuclear spin angular momenta  $I_1, I_2, \cdots$ .

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

 $F_{j}$ 

#### Element

<sphos:Fj>

#### Attributes

- nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_{j-1}$  to form an intermediate angular momentum;
- j: an integer label identifying the order of the hyperfine coupling

.

#### Description

 $F_j$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the nuclear spin angular momentum of nucleus j to the intermediate angular momentum:  $F_1 = J + I_1$  or  $F_j = F_{j-1} + I_j$ ;  $F_j$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.

F

#### **Element**

<sphos:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_j$  to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_{j-1} + I_j$  if two or more such couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

#### **Element**

<sphos:r>

## Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

## **Element**

<sphos:parity>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

## $\underline{\bf Restrictions}$

• '+' or '-'.

# Open-shell, linear triatomic molecules: ltos

ElecStateLabel

<u>Element</u>

| <pre><ltos:elecstatelabel></ltos:elecstatelabel></pre>  |
|---|
| Attributes  |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state: $X$ , $A$ , $a$ , $B$ , etc   |
| Restrictions  |
| • string.   |
| 1 7   |
| elecInv   |
| Element <pre></pre> <pre><ltos:elecinv></ltos:elecinv></pre>  |
| Citos.eleciny/  |
| Attributes  |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| elecInv is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system. |
| Restrictions  |
| • 'g' or 'u'.   |

#### elecRefl

#### **Element**

<ltos:elecRefl>

#### **Attributes**

None.

#### Description

elecRef1 is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to reflection in a plane containing the molecular symmetry axis in the molecular coordinate system (equivalent to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the laboratory coordinate system).

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

S

#### Element

<ltos:S>

#### Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

S is the quantum number associated with the total electronic spin angular momentum,  $\boldsymbol{S}.$ 

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

N

## Element

<ltos:N>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

N is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding electronic and nuclear spin, N: J = N + S.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $v_1$ 

#### **Element**

<ltos:v1>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $v_1$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_1$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $v_2$ 

## Element

<ltos: v2>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $v_2$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the doubly-degenerate  $\nu_2$  normal mode.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $l_2$ 

#### **Element**

<ltos:12>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $l_2$  is the vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with the degenerate bending vibration,  $\nu_2$ ; positive and negative values distinguish l-type doubling components.

- integer.
- $|l_2| = v_2, v_2 2, \dots, 1 \text{ or } 0.$

 $v_3$ 

## Element

<ltos:v3>

## Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $v_3$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_3$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

J

#### **Element**

<ltos:J>

## Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $F_1$ 

#### **Element**

<ltos:F1>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  ${m J}$  to form the intermediate angular momentum.

#### Description

 $F_1$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 1 where two or more such couplings are resolved:  $F_1 = J + I_1$ ;  $F_1$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

- $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|J I_1| \le F_1 \le J + I_1$ .

 $F_2$ 

#### **Element**

<ltos:F2>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $F_1$  to form an intermediate angular momentum.

## Description

 $F_2$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 2 where three such couplings are resolved:  $F_2 = F_1 + I_2$ ;  $F_2$  is often not a good quantum number.

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_1 I_2| \le F_2 \le F_1 + I_2$ .

F

#### Element

<ltos:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $J, F_1,$  or F to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one hyperfine coupling is resolved,  $F = F_1 + I_2$  if two couplings are resolved, or  $F = F_2 + I_3$  if all three couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_2 I_3| \le F \le F_2 + I_3$ .

r

#### **Element**

<ltos:r>

## Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

parity

## **Element**

<ltos:parity>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

<code>parity</code> is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

## Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

kronigParity

#### Element

<ltos:kronigParity>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

kronigParity is the 'rotationless' parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction excluding nuclear spin and rotation with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system. For integral J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J}$ ,  $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J}$ .

For half-odd integer J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  
 $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J-\frac{1}{2}}$ .

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## Restrictions

• 'e' or 'f'.

asSym

## **Element**

<ltos:asSym>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

asSym is (for linear molecules with a centre of inversion) the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

## Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

# Open-shell, linear polyatomic molecules: lpos

ElecStateLabel

 $\underline{\mathbf{Element}}$ 

| <pre><lpos:elecstatelabel></lpos:elecstatelabel></pre>  |
|---|
| <u>Attributes</u>   |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state.   |
| Restrictions  |
| • string.   |
|   |
| elecInv   |
| <u>Element</u>  |
| <pre><lpos:elecinv></lpos:elecinv></pre>  |
| Attributes  |
| None.   |
| Description   |
| elecInv is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system. |
| Restrictions  |
| • 'g' or 'u'.   |
|   |

#### elecRefl

#### **Element**

<lpos:elecRefl>

#### **Attributes**

None.

#### Description

elecRefl is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to reflection in a plane containing the molecular symmetry axis in the molecular coordinate system (equivalent to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the laboratory coordinate system).

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

S

#### Element

<lpos:S>

#### Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

S is the quantum number associated with the total electronic spin angular momentum,  $\boldsymbol{S}.$ 

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

 $v_i$ 

#### **Element**

<lpos:vi>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the normal mode that this quantum number is associated with.

#### Description

 $v_i$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_i$  normal mode.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $l_i$ 

#### **Element**

<lpos:li>

#### Attributes

mode: a positive integer, identifying the degenerate normal mode that this vibrational angular momentum quantum number is associated with.

## Description

 $l_i$  is the vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with the degenerate  $\nu_i$  normal mode; positive and negative values distinguish l-type doubling components; if two or more degenerate vibrations are excited,  $l_i$  is only approximately defined (i.e. it is not a totally good quantum number) - see e.g. Herzerg II, p.212.

- non-negative integer.
- $|l_i| = v_i, v_i 2, \dots, 1 \text{ or } 0.$

l

## Element

<1pos:1>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

l is the total vibrational angular momentum quantum number associated with resultant vibrational angular momentum about the internuclear axis.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer.

vibInv

#### **Element**

<lpos:vibInv>

#### Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

vibInv is the parity of the vibronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system.

## $\underline{\bf Restrictions}$

• 'g' or 'u'.

vibRefl

#### **Element**

<lpos:vibRefl>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

vibRef1 is the parity of the vibronic wavefunction with respect to reflection in a plane containing the molecular symmetry axis in the molecular coordinate system.

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

J

#### **Element**

<lpos:J>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin, J.

- $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-odd integer.
- $J \ge |l|$ .

N

#### **Element**

<lpos:N>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

N is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding electronic and nuclear spin, N: J = N + S.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

Ι

#### **Element**

<lpos:I>

#### Attributes

nuclearSpinRef: a label, matching /Q.+/ identifying the group of nuclear spins coupled to one another to form a total nuclear spin angular momentum.

#### Description

I is the quantum number associated with the total nuclear spin angular momentum:  $I = I_1 + I_2 + \cdots$  where nuclei  $1, 2, \cdots$  have individual nuclear spin angular momenta  $I_1, I_2, \cdots$ .

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

 $F_j$ 

#### Element

<lpos:Fj>

#### Attributes

- nuclearSpinRef: a label identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_{j-1}$  to form an intermediate angular momentum;
- $\bullet$  j: an integer label identifying the order of the hyperfine coupling

.

#### Description

 $F_j$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the nuclear spin angular momentum of nucleus j to the intermediate angular momentum:  $F_1 = J + I_1$  or  $F_j = F_{j-1} + I_j$ ;  $F_j$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-integer.

F

#### Element

<lpos:F>

#### **Attributes**

nuclearSpinRef: a label, matching /Q.+/ identifying the nuclear spin being coupled to J or  $F_j$  to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one such coupling is resolved,  $F = F_{j-1} + I_j$  if two or more such couplings are resolved.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.

r

## Element

<lpos:r>

#### Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

## parity

#### **Element**

<lpos:parity>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

parity is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

kronigParity

#### **Element**

<lpos:kronigParity>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

kronigParity is the 'rotationless' parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction excluding nuclear spin and rotation with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system. For integral J, the levels are called:

$$e$$
 if parity is  $+(-1)^{J}$ ,  $f$  if parity is  $-(-1)^{J}$ .

For half-odd integer J, the levels are called:

$$e \text{ if parity is } + (-1)^{J - \frac{1}{2}},$$
  
$$f \text{ if parity is } - (-1)^{J - \frac{1}{2}}.$$

.

## Restrictions

• 'e' or 'f'.

asSym

## **Element**

<lpos:asSym>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

asSym is (for linear molecules with a centre of inversion) the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

## Restrictions

• 's' or 'a'.

## Open-shell, non-linear triatomics: nltos

#### ElecStateLabel

#### **Element**

<nltos:ElecStateLabel>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

ElecStateLabel is a label identifying the electronic state:  $X,\,A,\,a,\,B,\,{\rm etc.}$ .

#### Restrictions

• string.

## elecSym

#### **Element**

<nltos:elecSym>

#### **Attributes**

group: the symmetry group to which this species belongs.

## Description

 ${\tt elecSym}$  is the symmetry species of the electronic wavefunction described by some symmetry group.

#### Restrictions

 $\bullet$  string.

elecInv

#### **Element**

<nltos:elecInv>

#### **Attributes**

None.

## Description

elecInv is the parity of the electronic wavefunction with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass in the molecular coordinate system..

#### Restrictions

• 'g' or 'u'.

S

#### **Element**

<nltos:S>

## Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

S is the quantum number associated with the total electronic spin angular momentum,  $\boldsymbol{S}.$ 

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

 $v_1$ 

## Element

<nltos:v1>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

 $v_1$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_1$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $v_2$ 

## **Element**

<nltos:v2>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $v_2$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_2$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

 $\bullet$  non-negative integer.

 $v_3$ 

## Element

<nltos:v3>

## Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $v_3$  is the vibrational quantum number associated with the  $\nu_3$  normal mode.

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

J

#### **Element**

<nltos:J>

## Attributes

None.

## ${\bf Description}$

J is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding nuclear spin,  $\boldsymbol{J}.$ 

## Restrictions

• non-negative integer or half-odd integer.

N

## Element

<nltos:N>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

N is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum excluding electronic and nuclear spin, N: J = N + S.

#### Restrictions

• non-negative integer.

 $K_a$ 

#### **Element**

<nltos:Ka>

#### Attributes

None.

## Description

 $K_a$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the prolate symmetric top limit.

- non-negative integer.
- $K_a \leq J$ .
- $K_a + K_c = J \text{ or } J + 1.$

 $K_c$ 

#### Element

<nltos:Kc>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

 $K_c$  is the rotational quantum label of an asymmetric top molecule, correlating to K in the oblate symmetric top limit.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer.
- $K_c \leq J$ .
- $K_a + K_c = J \text{ or } J + 1.$

 $F_1$ 

## Element

<nltos:F1>

#### **Attributes**

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  ${\pmb J}$  to form the intermediate angular momentum.

#### Description

 $F_1$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 1 where two or more such couplings are resolved:  $F_1 = J + I_1$ ;  $F_1$  is often not a good quantum number.

- $\bullet\,$  non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|J I_1| \le F_1 \le J + I_1$ .

 $F_2$ 

#### Element

<nltos:F2>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $F_1$  to form an intermediate angular momentum.

#### Description

 $F_2$  is the intermediate angular momentum quantum number associated with the coupling of the rotational angular momentum and nuclear spin of nucleus 2 where three such couplings are resolved:  $F_2 = F_1 + I_2$ ;  $F_2$  is often not a good quantum number.

#### Restrictions

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_1 I_2| \le F_2 \le F_1 + I_2$ .

F

#### **Element**

<nltos:F>

#### Attributes

 ${\tt nuclearSpinRef:}$  a label identifying the nuclear spin coupled to  $J,\ F_1,$  or F to form the total angular momentum.

#### Description

F is the quantum number associated with the total angular momentum including nuclear spin:  $F = J + I_1$  if only one hyperfine coupling is resolved,  $F = F_1 + I_2$  if two couplings are resolved, or  $F = F_2 + I_3$  if all three couplings are resolved.

- non-negative integer or half-integer.
- $|F_2 I_3| \le F \le F_2 + I_3$ .

γ

## Element

<nltos:r>

#### Attributes

name: a string identifying this ranking index.

#### Description

r is a named, positive integer label identifying the state if no other good quantum numbers or symmetries are known.

#### Restrictions

• positive integer.

## parity

#### **Element**

<nltos:parity>

#### Attributes

None.

#### Description

parity is the total parity: the parity of the total molecular wavefunction (excluding nuclear spin) with respect to inversion through the molecular centre of mass of all particles' coordinates in the laboratory coordinate system, the  $\hat{E}^*$  operation.

#### Restrictions

• '+' or '-'.

asSym

## **Element**

<nltos:asSym>

## Attributes

None.

## Description

asSym is the symmetry of the rovibronic wavefunction: 'a' or 's' such that the total wavefunction including nuclear spin is symmetric or antisymmetric with respect to permutation of the identical nuclei  $(\hat{P}_{12})$ , according to whether they are bosons or fermions respectively.

## $\underline{\bf Restrictions}$

• 's' or 'a'.