



FIG. 1. Computed values of $\Sigma \equiv |a_i^2 - b_i^2| + |c_i^2 - d_i^2|$ for $i = x$ or y (i.e., the sum of the separations in the high-field and low-field pairs of $\Delta M_I = \pm 2$ lines; notation as in Ref. 4). (a) Calculated by the perturbation expressions (5.1c) of Ref. 4, $\Sigma = 4Q'h\nu/g_i\beta$; (b) computer diagonalization of $\mathcal{H}_{\text{spin}} = \beta\vec{H} \cdot \vec{g} \cdot \vec{S} + \vec{I} \cdot \vec{A} \cdot \vec{S} + \vec{I} \cdot \vec{P} \cdot \vec{I} - g_N\beta_N \vec{I} \cdot \vec{H}$, with $g_z = 2.346$, $g_x = 2.109$, $g_y = 2.094$, $A_z = -0.00875$, $A_x = 0.00187$, $A_y = 0.00272 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $Q' = 1.5P_z$, $\text{Tr } \vec{P} = 0$, $P_x = P_y$; (c) same as (b) except $\eta \equiv (P_y - P_x)/P_z = 0.87 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}/Q'$. The experimental values of Σ for $\text{TiO}_2:\text{Cu}^{++}$ were in the vicinity of 30 G. See Ref. 4.

expressions are inadequate for certain transitions and that this inadequacy has severe consequences in the determination of quadrupole coupling param-

eters from EPR spectra.

An interesting case in point is provided by $\text{TiO}_2:\text{Cu}^{++}$, recently reported by Ensign, Chang, and Kahn.⁴ They measured EPR spectra of ^{63}Cu and ^{65}Cu (natural-abundance mixture) doped into rutile and used the $\Delta M_I = \pm 2$ lines for \vec{H} along the x and y axes, together with the perturbation expressions of Bleaney *et al.*,⁵ to extract a quadrupole tensor for ^{63}Cu : $Q' = 7.42 \pm 0.24 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $\eta = 0.03 \pm 0.03$. They also found that the results obtained from the $\Delta M_I = 0$ lines were not consistent with those from the $\Delta M_I = \pm 2$ lines. Applying their Eq. (5.1a) for the $\Delta M_I = 0$ lines in their x and y spectra, we obtain $Q' \approx 10.2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\eta \approx 0.15$.

We have examined the perturbation equations (5.1a) and (5.1c) of Ensign *et al.*,⁴ in comparison with exact 8×8 matrix-diagonalization expressions for the same quantities. Figure 1 shows a sample plot. Clearly, the perturbation expressions are apt to yield a quadrupole coupling tensor grossly in error.

Upon fitting the $\text{TiO}_2:\text{Cu}^{++}$ spectra published by Ensign *et al.*⁴ by a complete diagonalization of the spin Hamiltonian, we obtained values of $Q' = 9.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\eta = 0.09$ from the $\Delta M_I = \pm 2$ lines. These values are close to those obtained from the $\Delta M_I = 0$ lines. Considering all the data and errors, we recommend $Q' = 10 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and $\eta = 0.1$. These values, moreover, are in the range of expected values^{1,4} for cupric ion in a slightly distorted octahedral site.

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R is correctly given at the top of p. A987. The author is indebted to Dr. A. K. Jameson and Dr. C. J. Jameson for calling this misprint to his attention.

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