

Lecture 6: Physical Methods II

UV-Vis (electronic spectroscopy)

Electron Spin Resonance

Mossbauer Spectroscopy

Physical Methods used in bioinorganic chemistry

- X-ray crystallography
- X-ray absorption (XAS)
 - **Extended X-ray Absorption Fine Structure (EXAFS)**
 - **X-ray Absorption Near Edge Structure**
- Magnetic Resonance
 - **Electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR)**
 - **Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR)**
- Mössbauer (MB)
- Optical Spectroscopy:
 - **Electronic absorption (UV-vis)**
 - **Circular dichroism (CD)**
 - **Magnetic circular dichroism (MCD)**
 - **Luminescence (fluorescence & phosphorescence)**
 - **Infrared (IR)**
 - **Resonance Raman (RR)**
- Electrochemistry

Spectrum of Electromagnetic Radiation

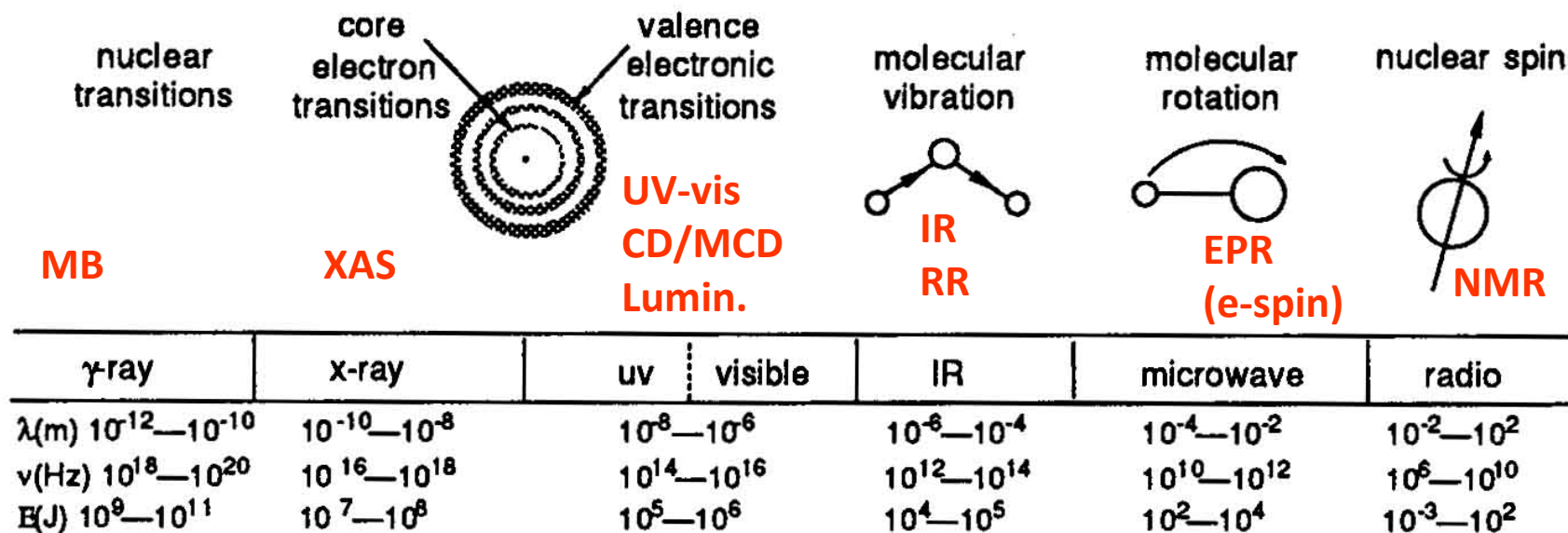
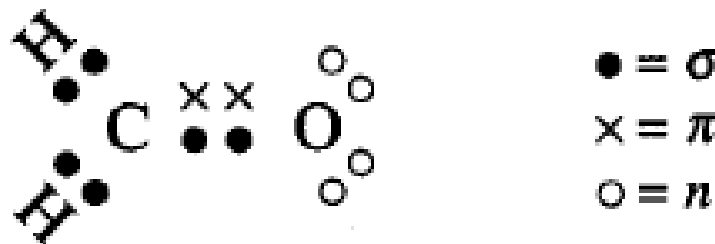


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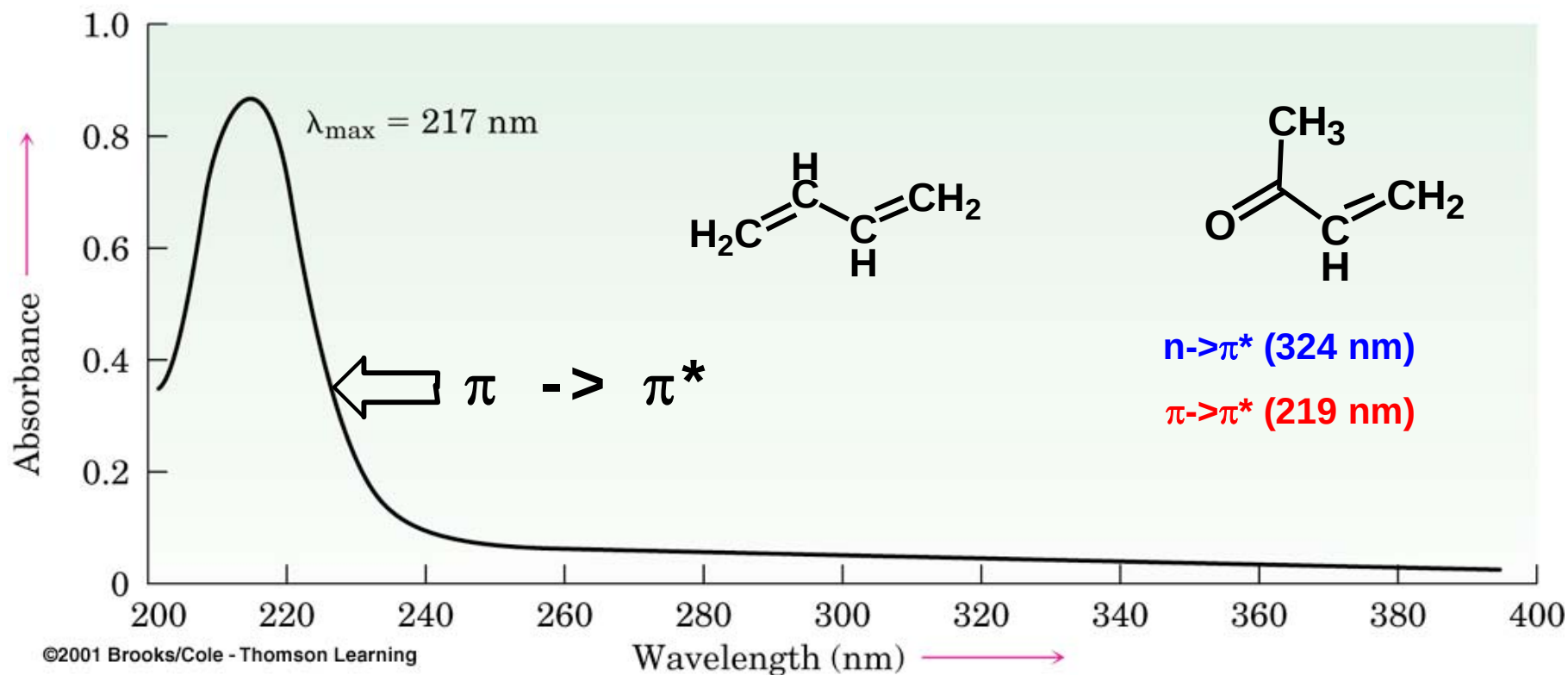
A Reminder:

UV-Visible Spectroscopy

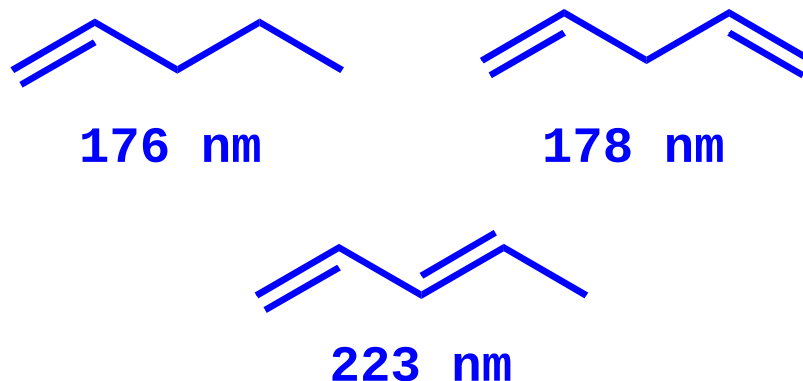
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Chromophore - part of a molecule that absorbs UV/Vis light

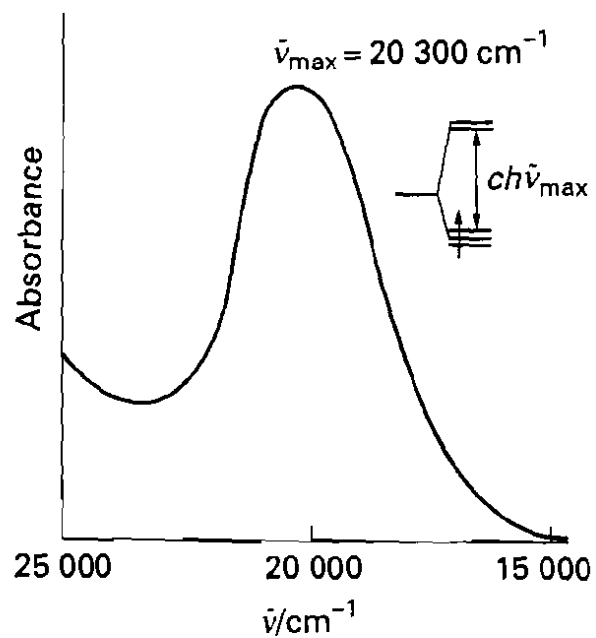


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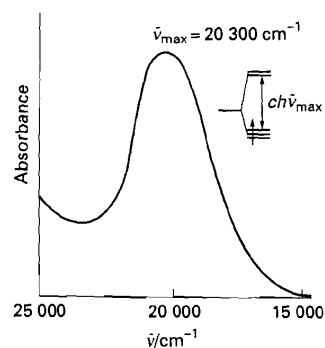


$$E = h\nu = hc/\lambda$$

$$E \propto 1/\lambda = \text{wavenumber (cm}^{-1}\text{)}$$



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Table 7.3 Ligand-field splitting parameters Δ_O of ML_6 complexes*

Ions		Ligands				
		Cl^-	H_2O	NH_3	en	CN^-
d^3	Cr^{3+}	13.7	17.4	21.5	21.9	26.6
d^5	Mn^{2+}	7.5	8.5		10.1	30
	Fe^{3+}	11.0	14.3			(35)
d^6	Fe^{2+}		10.4			(32.8)
	Co^{3+}		(20.7)	(22.9)	(23.2)	(34.8)
	Rh^{3+}	(20.4)	(27.0)	(34.0)	(34.6)	(45.5)
d^8	Ni^{2+}	7.5	8.5	10.8	11.5	

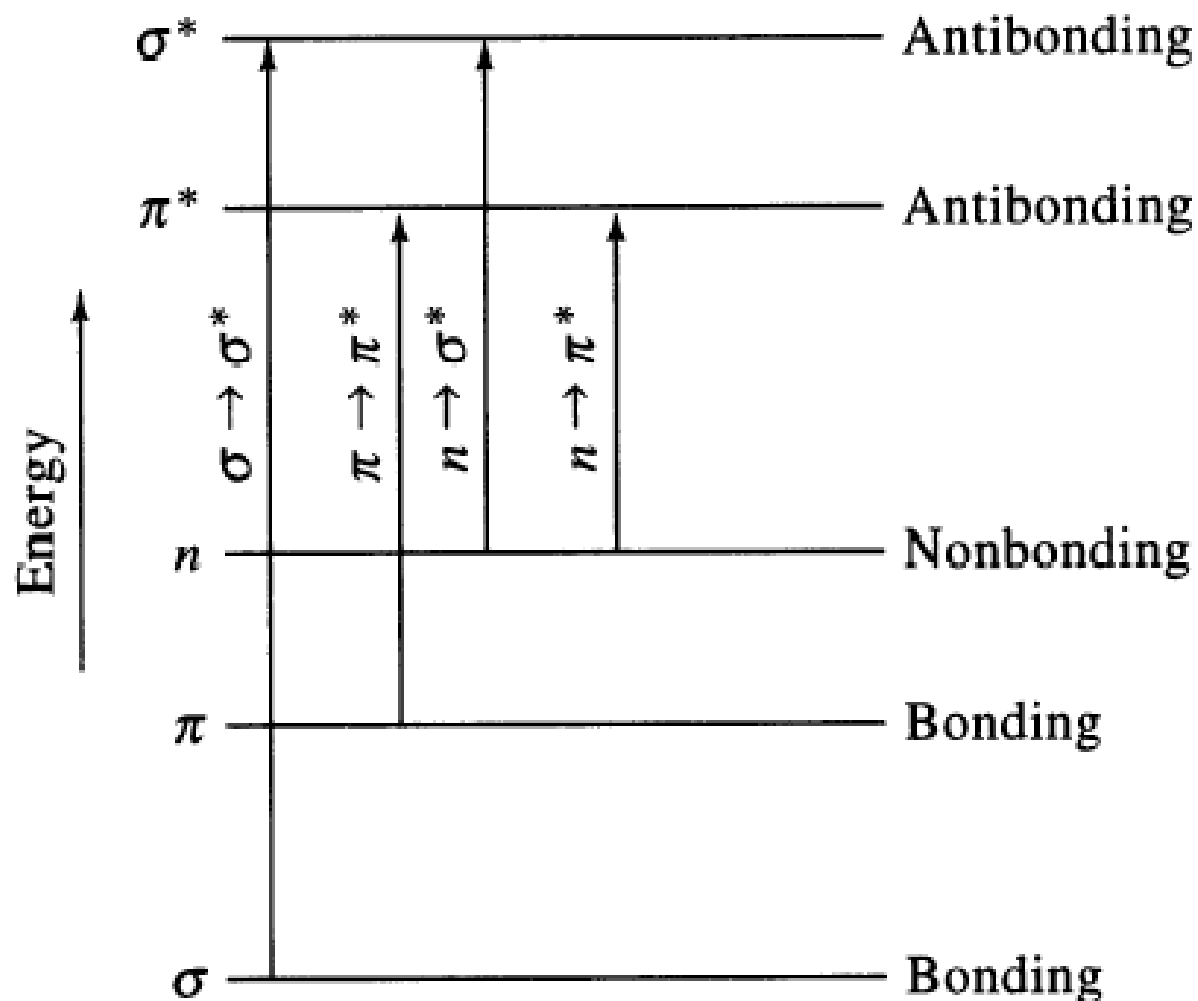
*Values are in multiples of 1000 cm^{-1} ; entries in parentheses are for low-spin complexes.

Source: H.B. Gray, *Electrons and chemical bonding*. Benjamin, Menlo Park (1965).

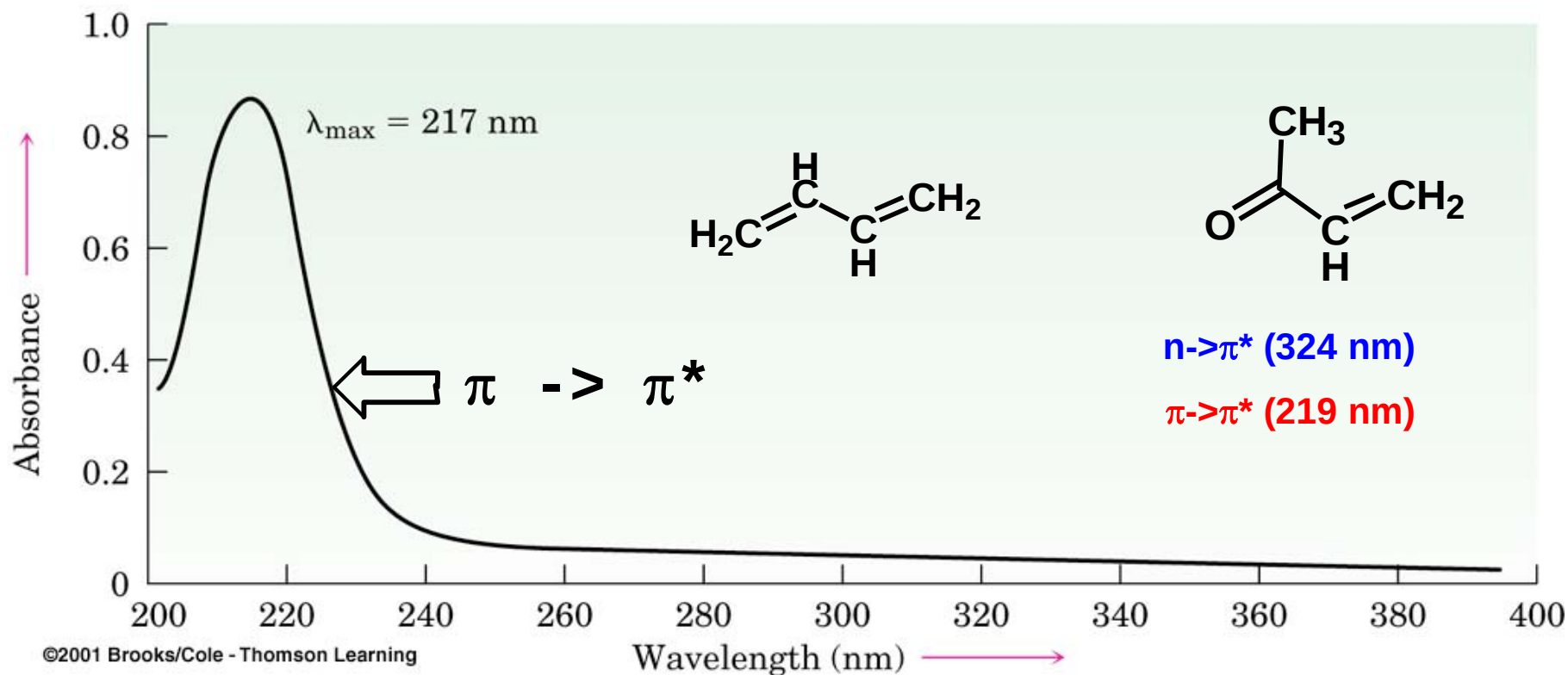
d-d transitions

- **Δ value dependent upon ligand field strength**
 - $\text{Br}^- < \text{Cl}^- < \text{F}^- < \text{OH}^- < \text{C}_2\text{O}_4^{2-} \sim \text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $< \text{SCN}^- < \text{NH}_3 < \text{en} < \text{NO}_2^- < \text{CN}^-$
 - Δ increases with increasing field strength
- **Δ increases with increasing charge on TM**
- **Δ increases with 2 and 3rd row TM**

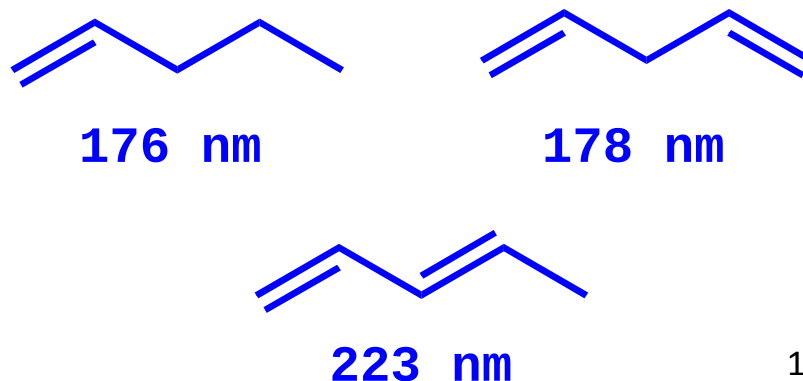
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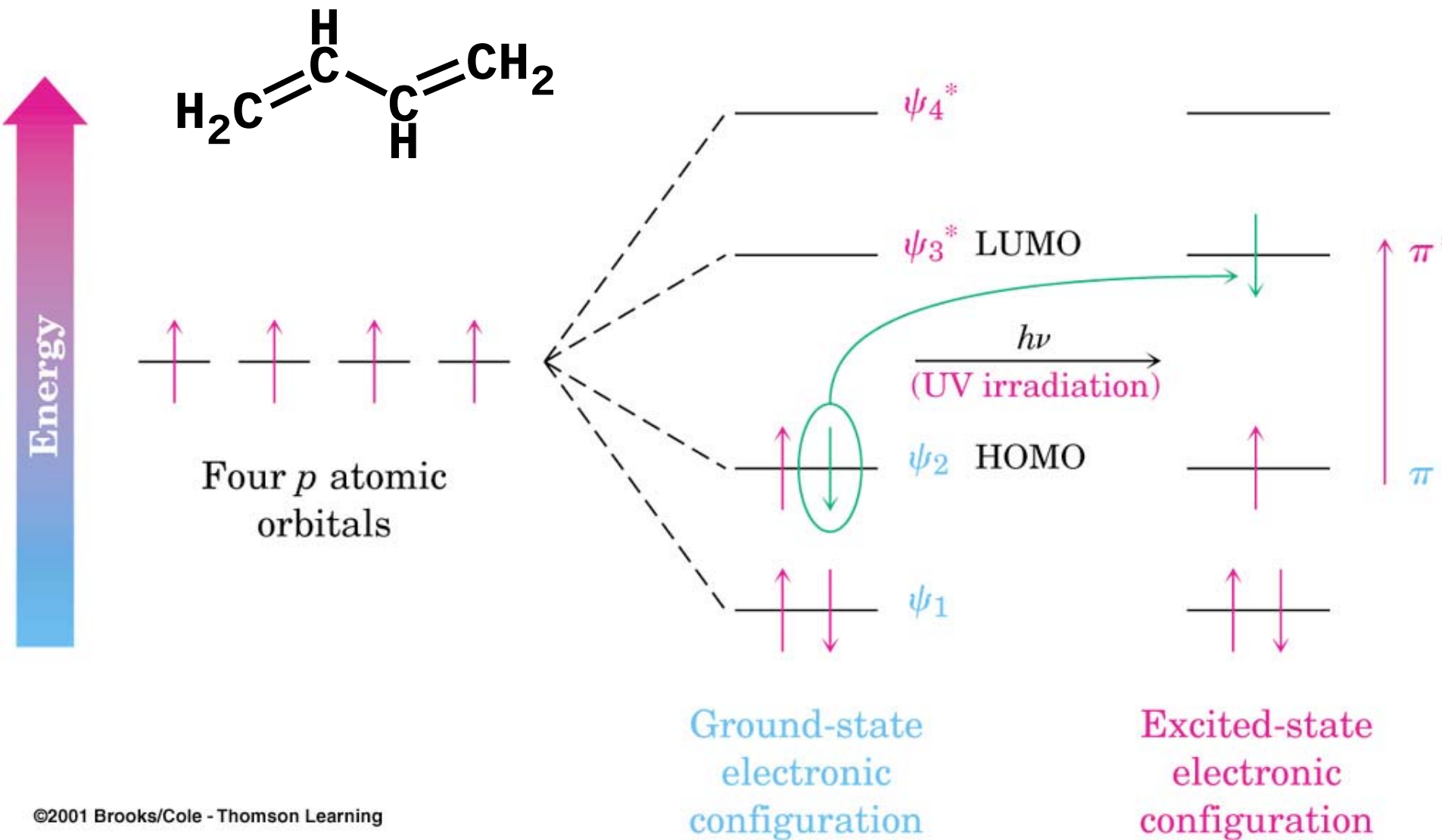


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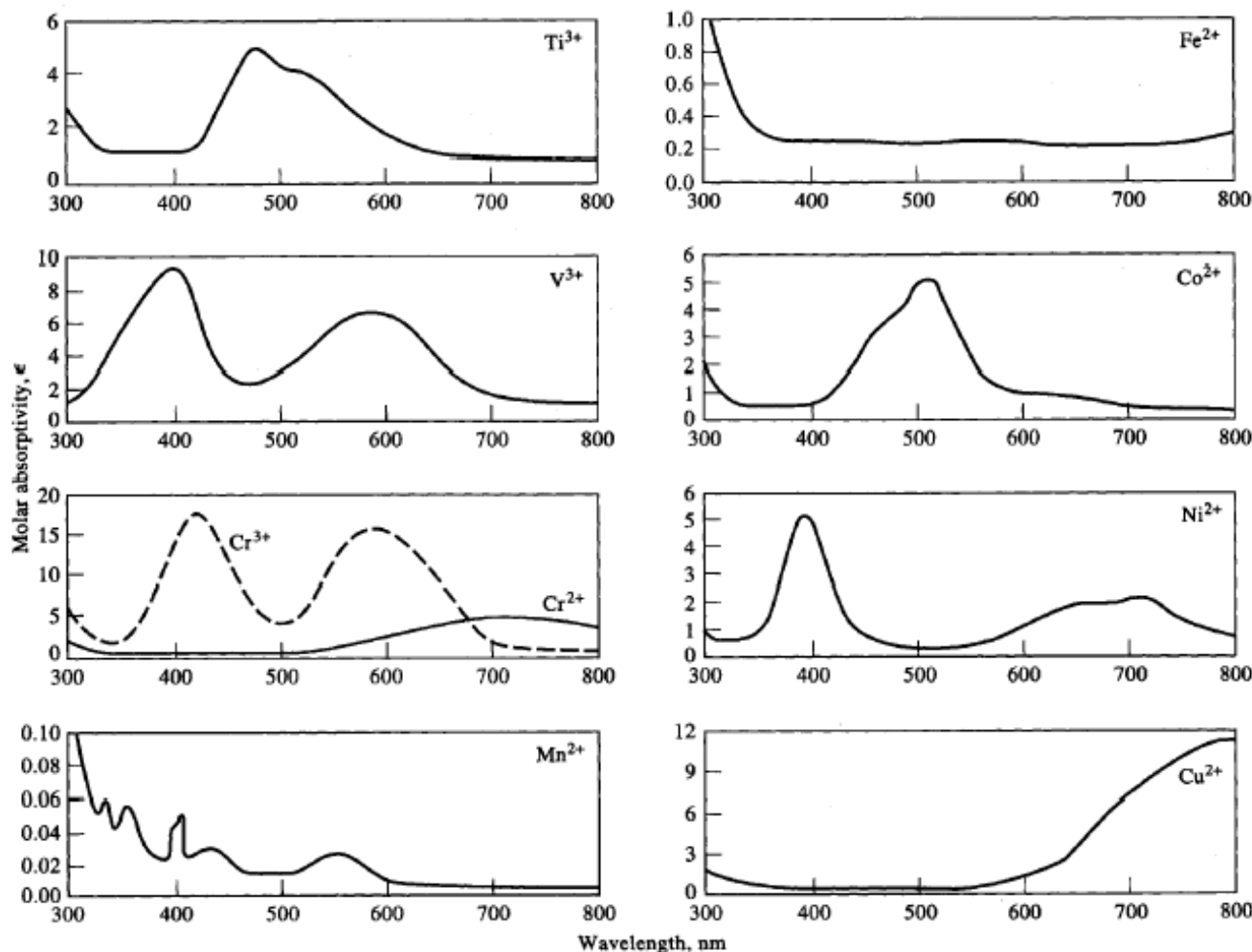
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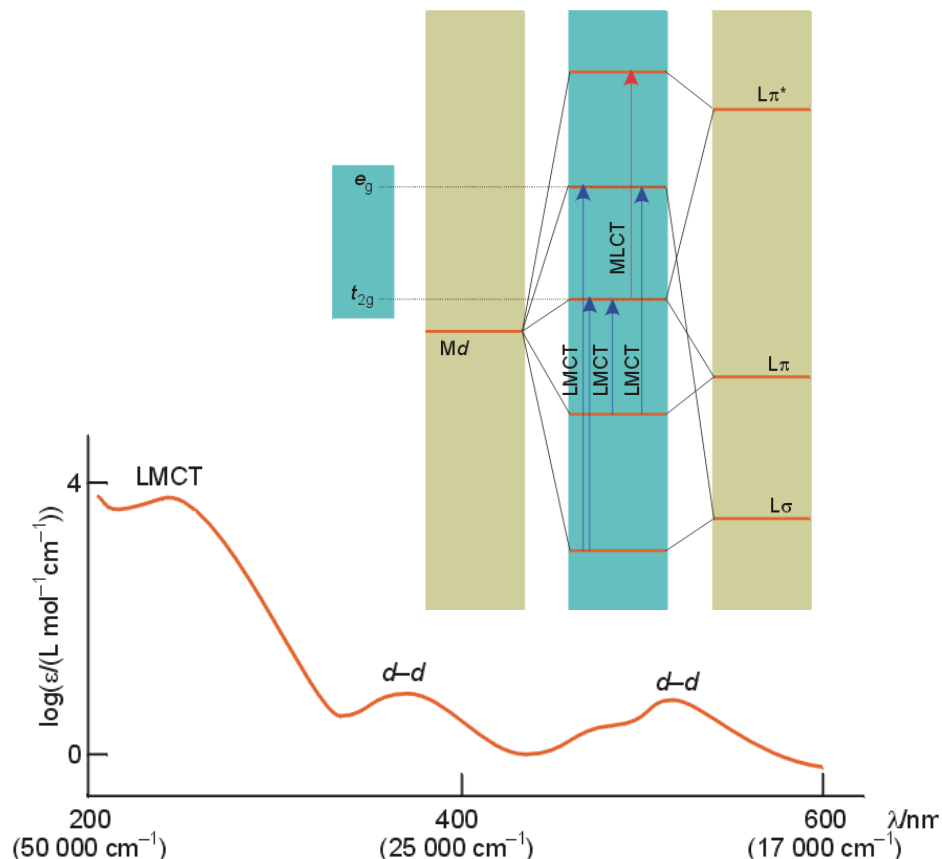
d-d transitions

- 3d and 4d 1st and 2nd transition metal series
- Broad transitions; small molar absorptivity coefficients (these transitions are formally “forbidden”)



Charge transfer bands

- High energy absorbance
 - Energy greater than d-d transition
 - Electron moves between orbitals
 - Metal to ligand
 - Ligand to metal
 - Sensitive to solvent
- LMCT
 - High oxidation state metal ion
 - Lone pair ligand donor
- MLCT
 - Low lying pi, aromatic
 - Low oxidation state metal
 - High d orbital energy



Metal-based UV-vis terms

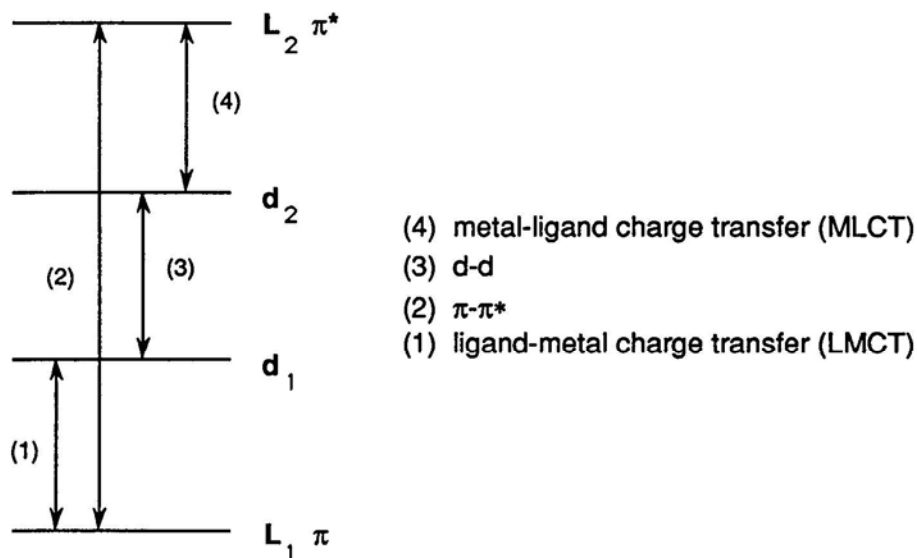


Figure 2.4 Electronic transitions commonly observed in metal complexes. Only d - d absorption bands are formally symmetry forbidden. The symbols d_1 , d_2 , L_1 , and L_2 represent metal centered d -orbitals and ligand π -orbitals, respectively. Typical extinction coefficients are noted in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1 Summary of Extinction Coefficients for Metal and Ligand Transitions in First-Row Transition Metal Complexes

	Type of Electronic Transition	ϵ ($M^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$)
Ligand	MLCT, LMCT, π - π^*	$10^3 - 10^4$
	Tetrahedral (allowed)	$10^2 - 10^3$
Metal (d - d)	Octahedral (forbidden)	$(M^{2+}) \sim 10$, $(M^{3+}) \sim 50$
	Spin forbidden ^a	$10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$

^a Common examples include high-spin Mn^{2+} (d^5), high-spin Fe^{3+} (d^5), low-spin Co^{3+} (d^6).

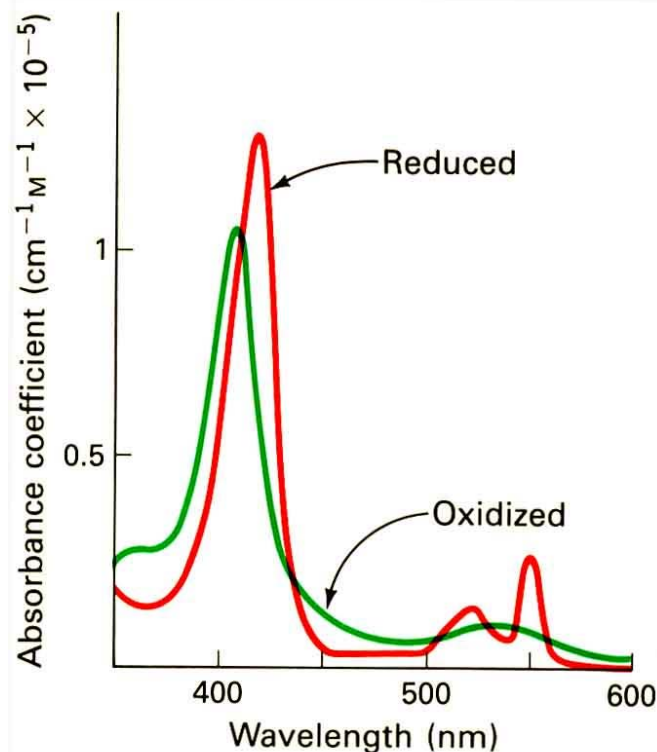
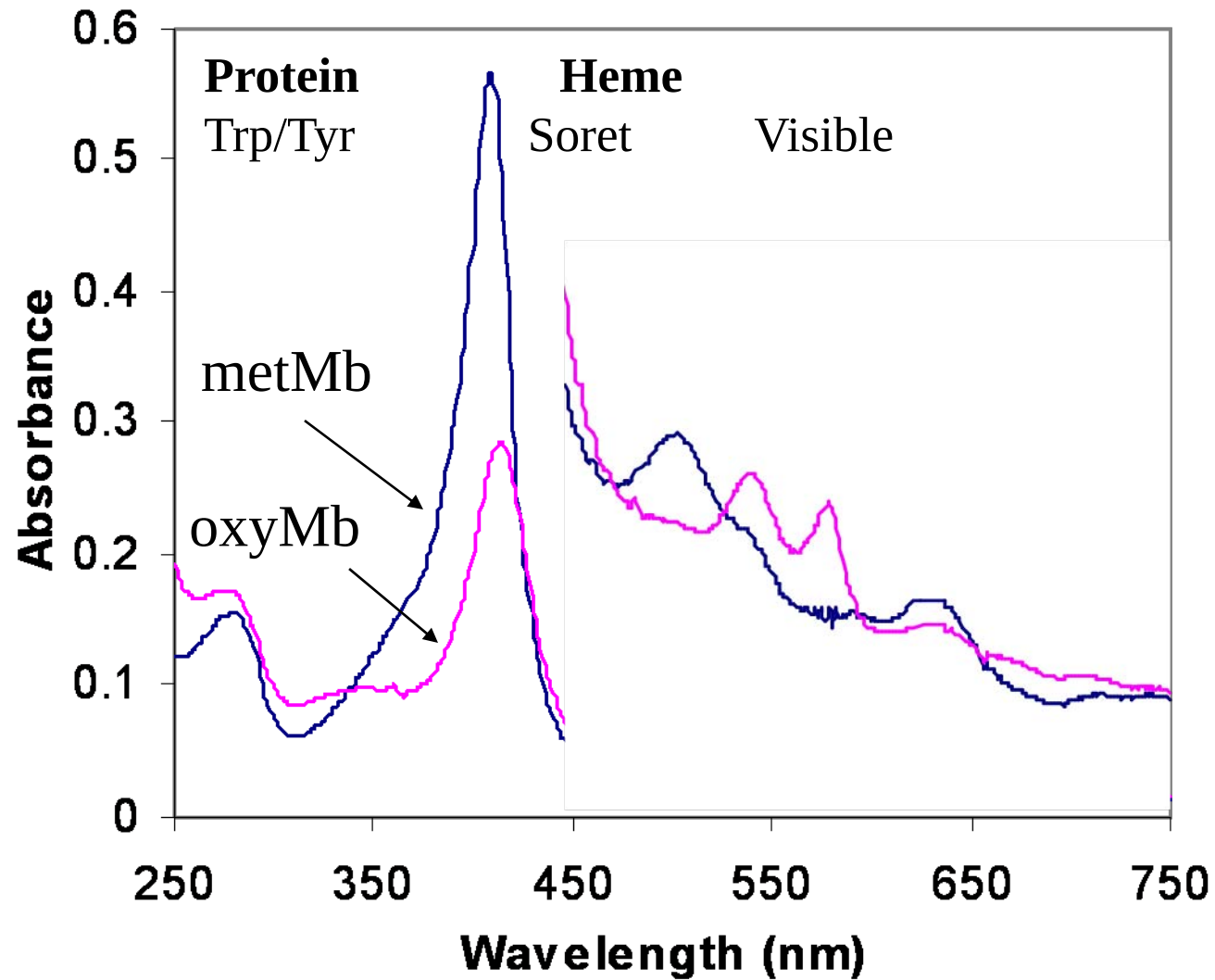
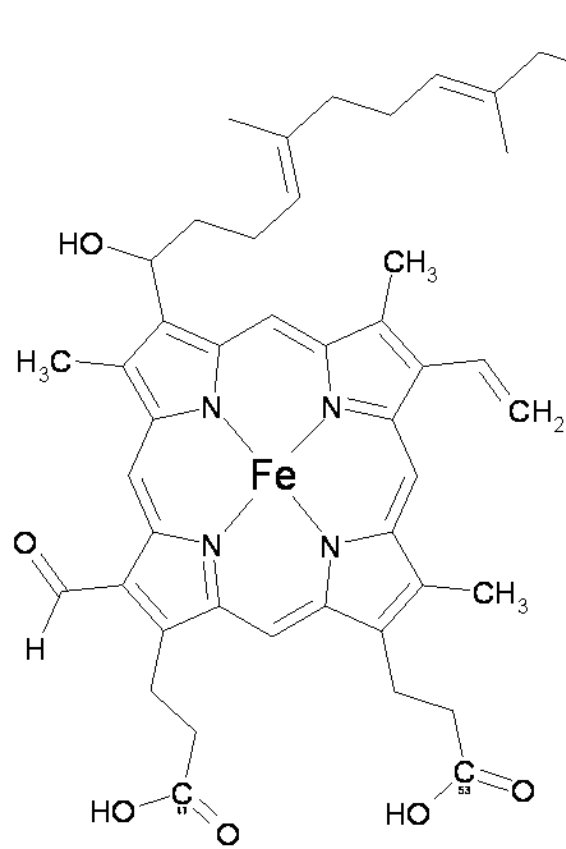


Figure 17-22
 Absorption spectra of the oxidized and reduced forms of cytochrome *c*.

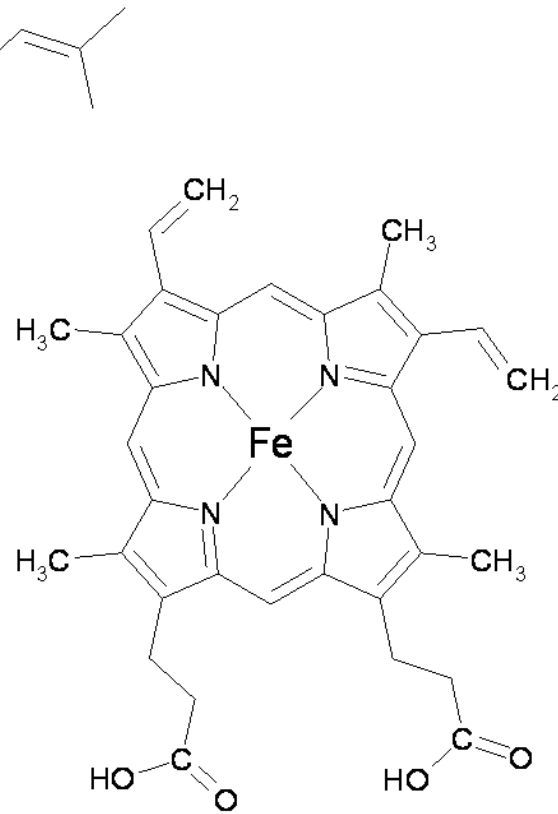
UV-vis Spectral Characteristics of Heme Proteins



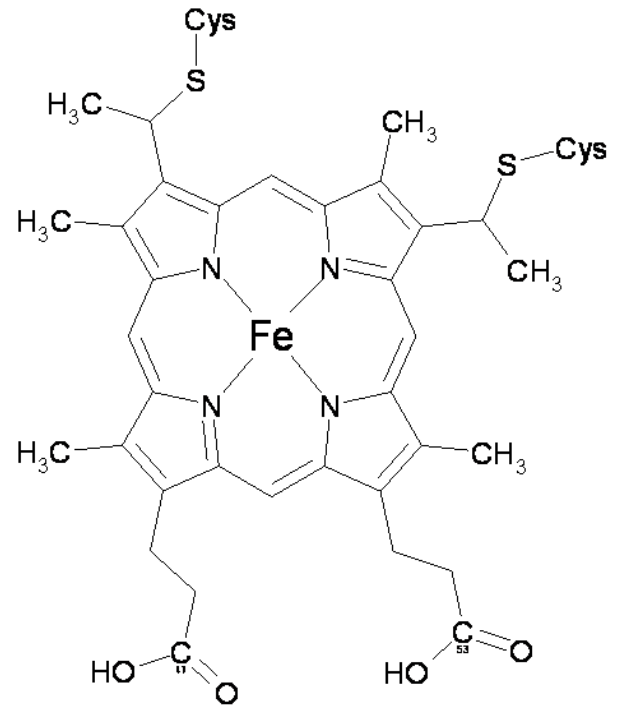
Different types of hemes



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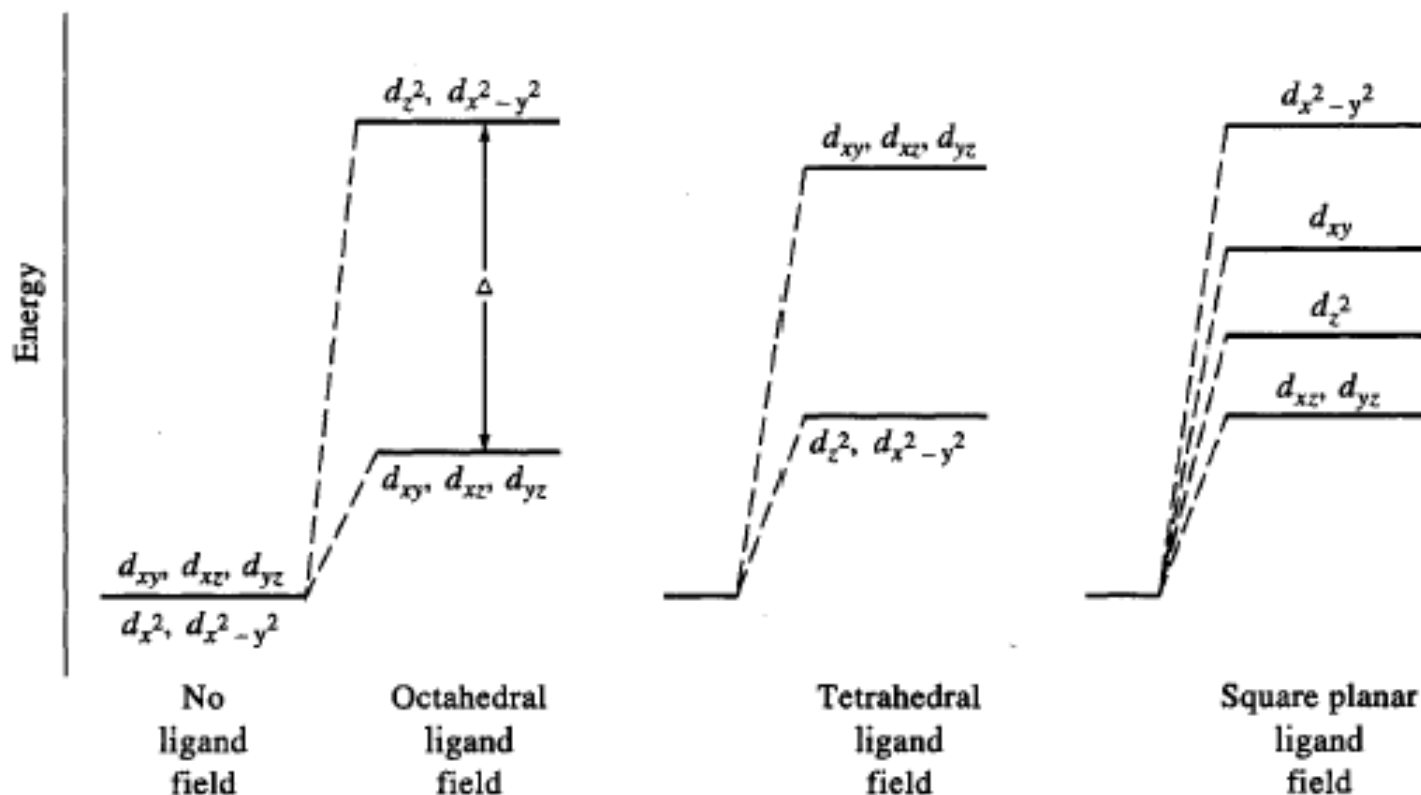
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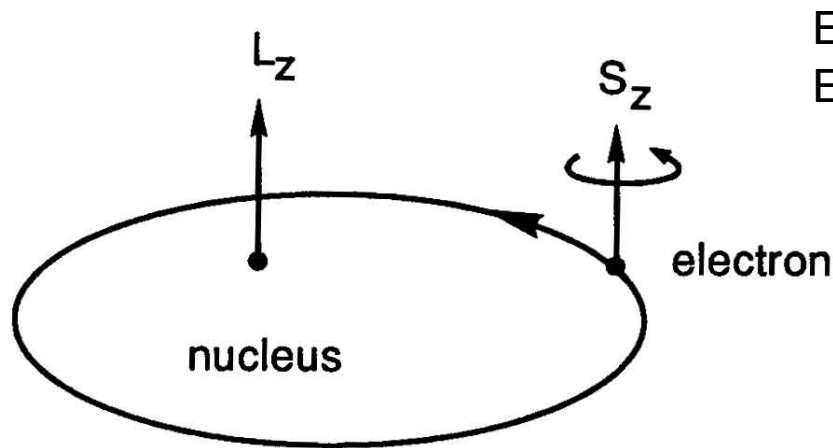
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d -d transitions

- Binding ligands on axis has greater effect on



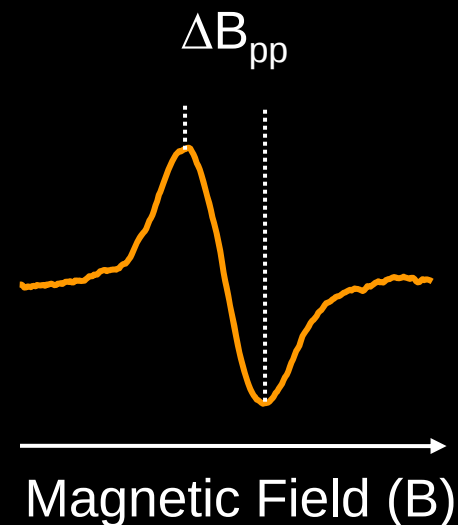
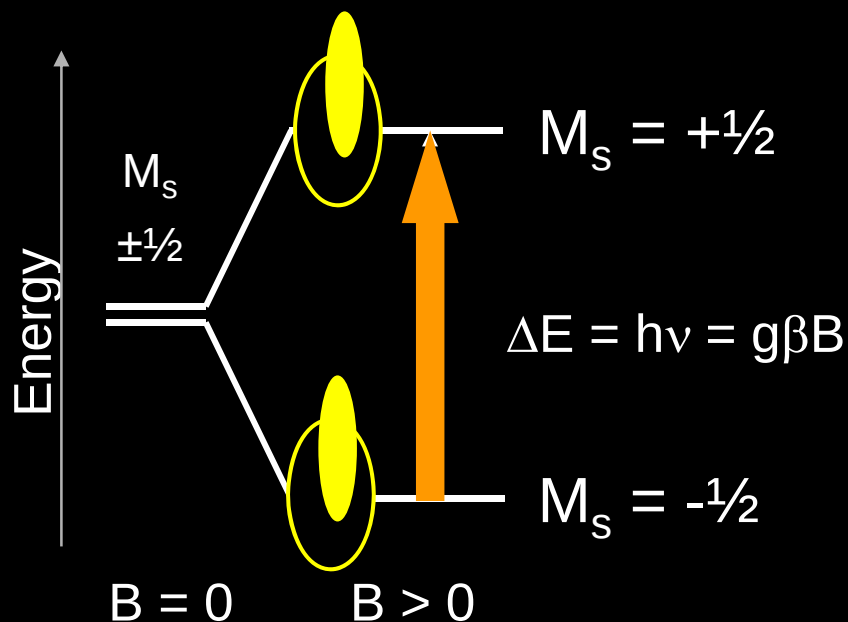
Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR)



Electron Spin Resonance (**ESR**)
Electron Magnetic Resonance (**EMR**)
EPR ~ ESR ~ EMR

Molecules with one or more unpaired electron

- Quantum mechanics: unpaired electrons have spin and charge and hence **magnetic moment**
- Electronic spin can be in either of two directions (formally *up* or *down*)
- The **two spin states** under normal conditions are energetically degenerate
- Energy degeneracy lost when exposed to an **external magnetic field**



h Planck's constant 6.626196×10^{-27} erg.sec
 ν frequency (GHz or MHz)
 g g-factor (approximately 2.0)
 β Bohr magneton (9.2741×10^{-21} erg.Gauss $^{-1}$)
 B magnetic field (Gauss or mT)

EPR is the resonant absorption of microwave radiation by paramagnetic systems in the presence of an applied magnetic field

$$h\nu = g\beta B$$

$$\nu = (g\beta/h)B = 2.8024 \times B \text{ MHz}$$

for $B = 3480$ G

$\nu = 9.75$ GHz (X-band)

for $B = 420$ G

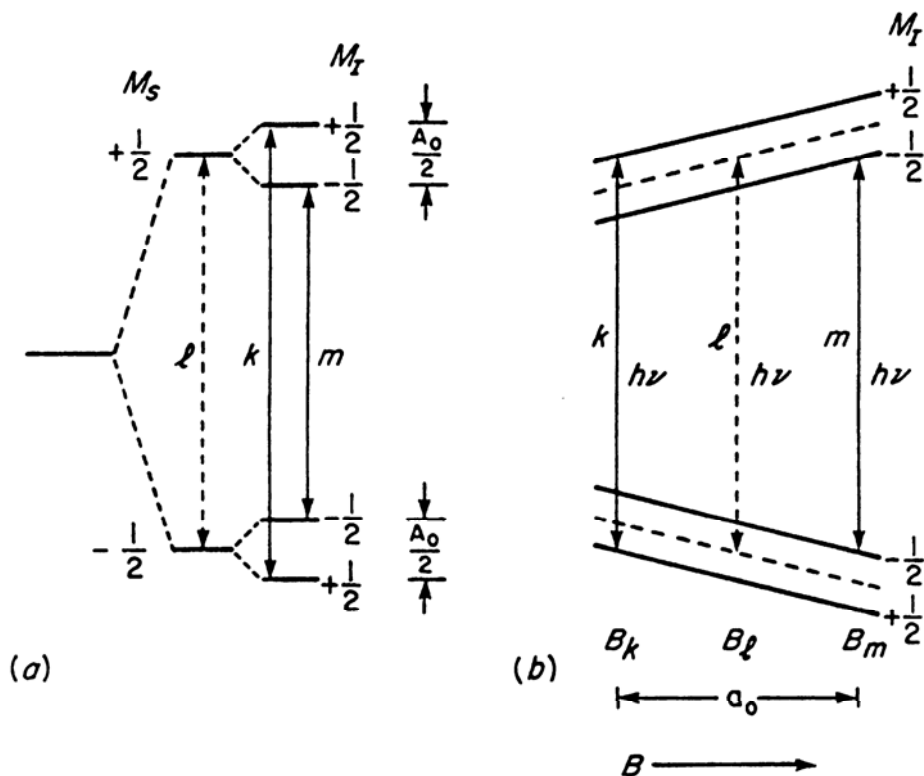
$\nu = 1.2$ GHz (L-band)

for $B = 110$ G

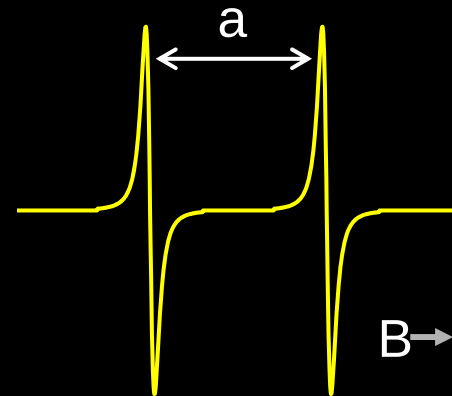
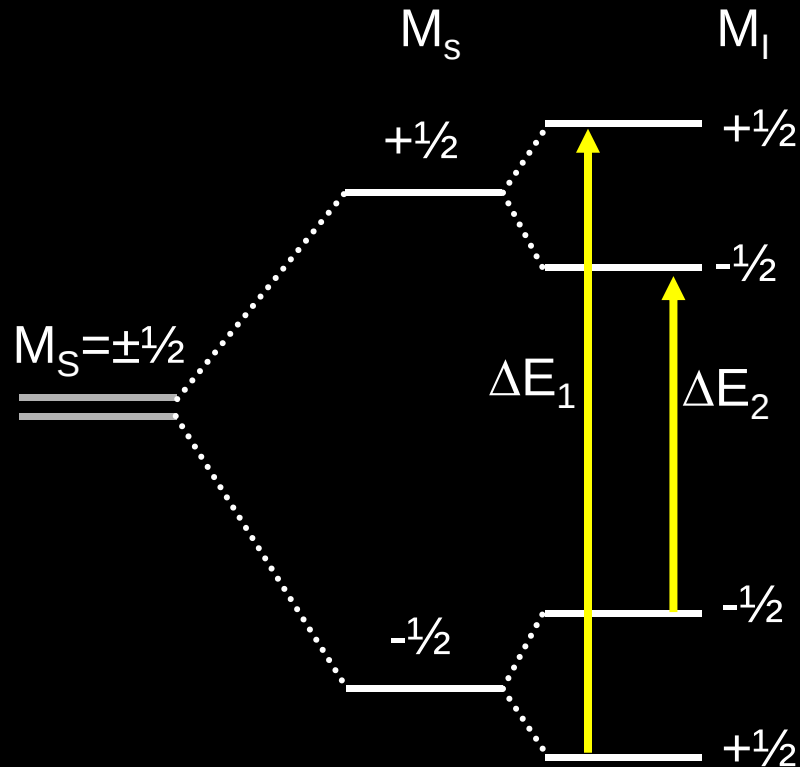
$\nu = 300$ MHz
(Radiofrequency)

The hyperfine effect

- The magnetic field experienced by the unpaired electron is affected by **nearby nuclei with non-zero nuclear spin**



Hyperfine Coupling



“doublet”

$$E = g\beta B S_z + (hA_0) S_z I_z$$

$$E = g\beta B S_z + (a) S_z I_z$$

$(hA_0 \text{ (Hz)} \rightarrow a \text{ (G)} \text{ via } g\text{-factor})$

Selection Rule
 $\Delta M_S = \pm 1$
 (electron)
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$$\Delta E_1 = g\beta B + a/2$$

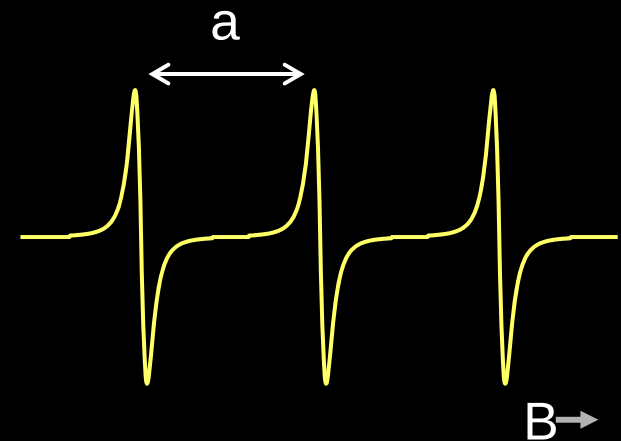
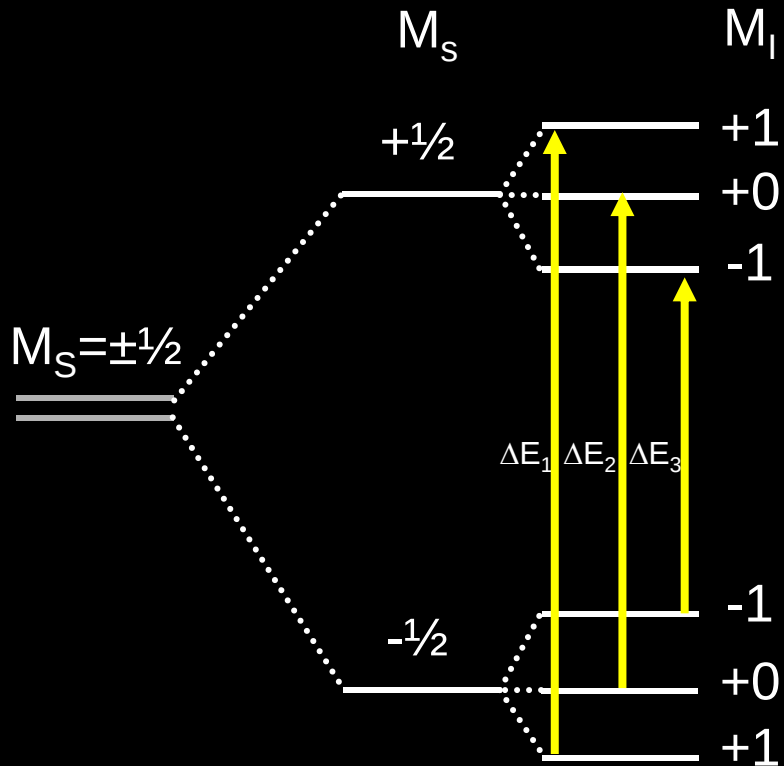
$$\Delta E_2 = g\beta B - a/2$$

$$\Delta E_1 - \Delta E_2 = a$$

Hyperfine Coupling

Electron
 $S (1/2)$

Nucleus
 $I (1)$



“triplet”

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$$\Delta E_2 = g\beta B$$

$$\Delta E_3 = g\beta B - a$$

ISOTROPIC

$$g_x = g_y = g_z$$



AXIAL

$$g_x = g_y < g_z$$



AXIAL

$$g_x = g_y > g_z$$

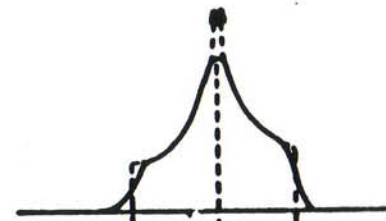
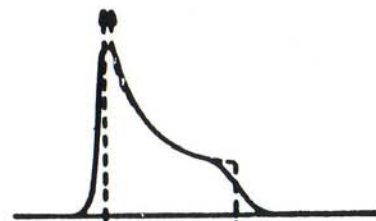
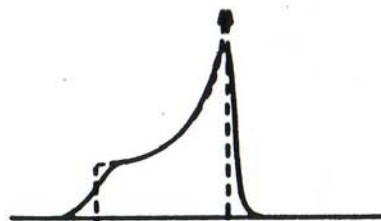
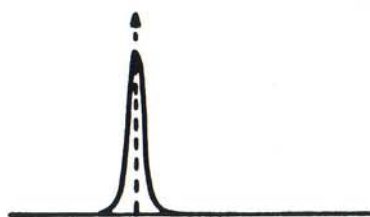


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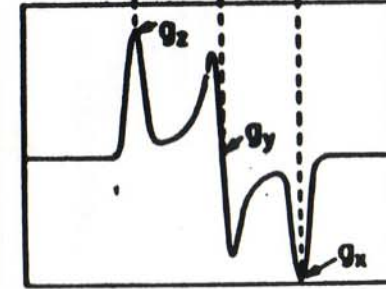
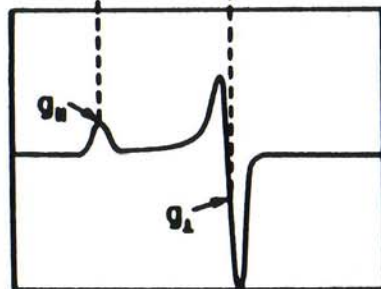
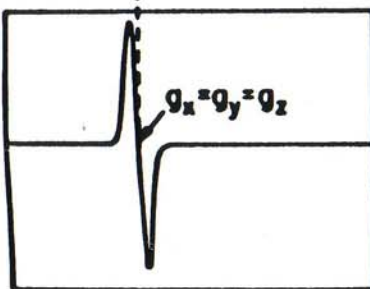
$$g_x \neq g_y \neq g_z$$



ABSORPTION



ABSORPTION
DERIVATIVE



MAGNETIC FIELD →

EPR

Table 2.3 Spin States for Transition Metal Ions Commonly Studied by EPR

Ion	d^n	Spin (S)
Mo^{5+}	$4d^1$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Fe^{3+}	$3d^5$	$\frac{5}{2}$ (high spin), $\frac{1}{2}$ (low spin) $\frac{3}{2}$ (intermediate)
Mn^{2+}	$3d^5$	$\frac{5}{2}$ (high spin)
Fe^{2+}	$3d^6$	2 (high spin), 0 (low spin)
Co^{2+}	$3d^7$	$\frac{3}{2}$ (high spin), $\frac{1}{2}$ (low spin)
Cu^{2+}	$3d^9$	$\frac{1}{2}$

Ferromagnetic coupling: $S = S_1 + S_2$

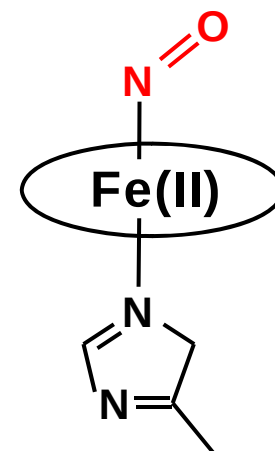
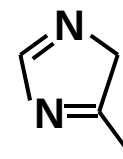
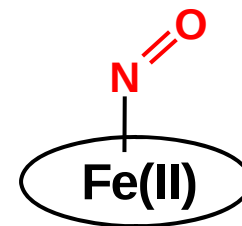
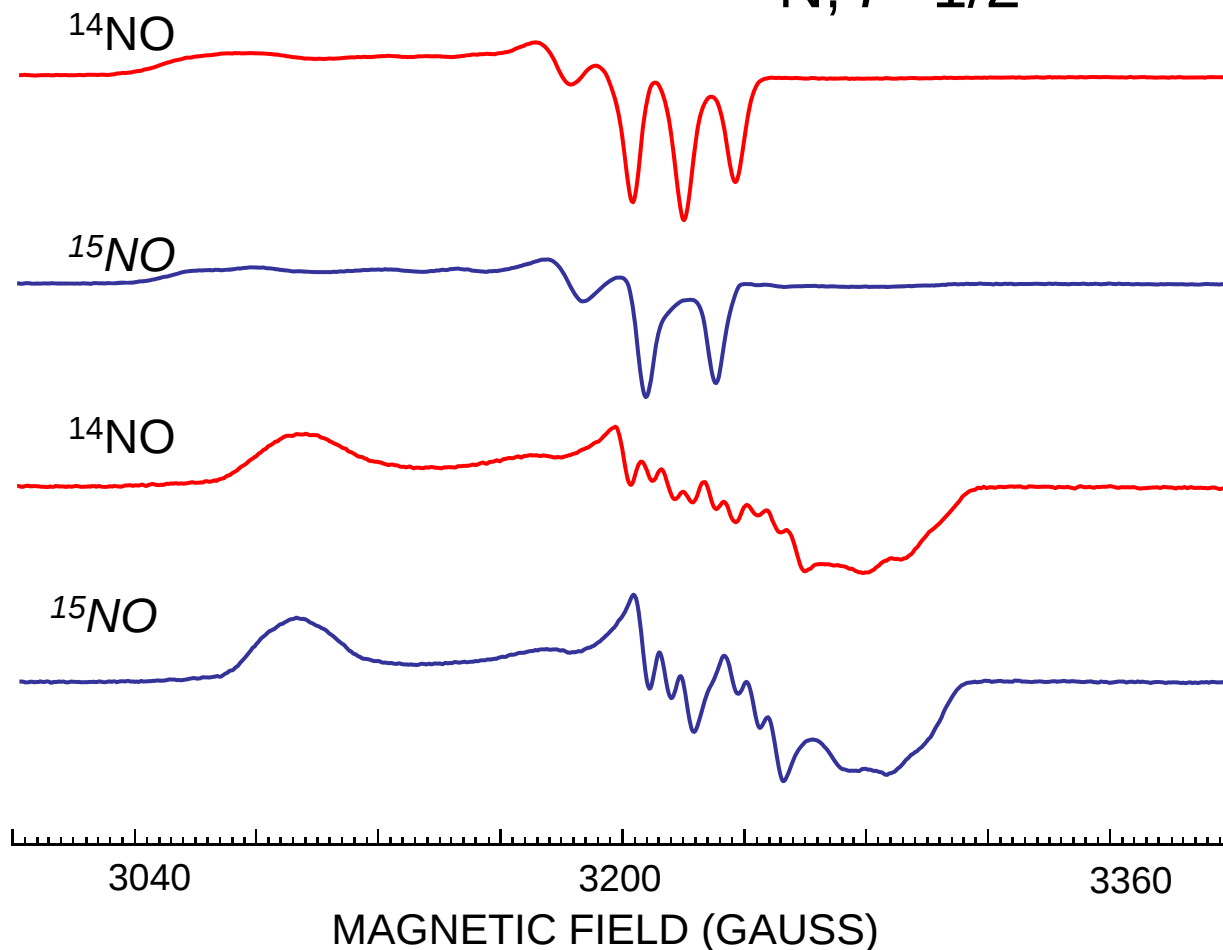
Antiferromagnetic coupling: $S = S_1 - S_2$

Which one is EPR active: Fe(III)-NO or Fe(II)-NO?

EPR Spectra of Ferrous Porphyrin-Fe-NO

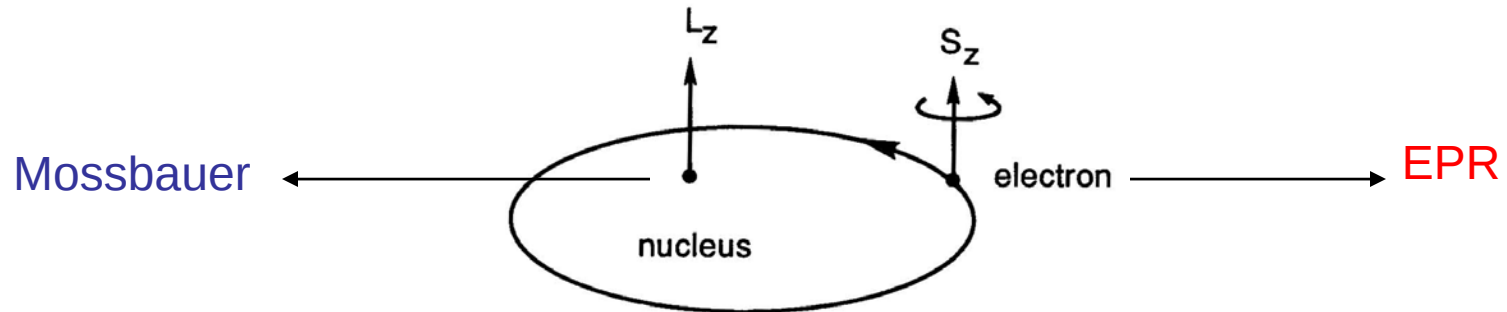
$^{14}\text{N}, I = 1$

$^{15}\text{N}, I = 1/2$



6 Coord.

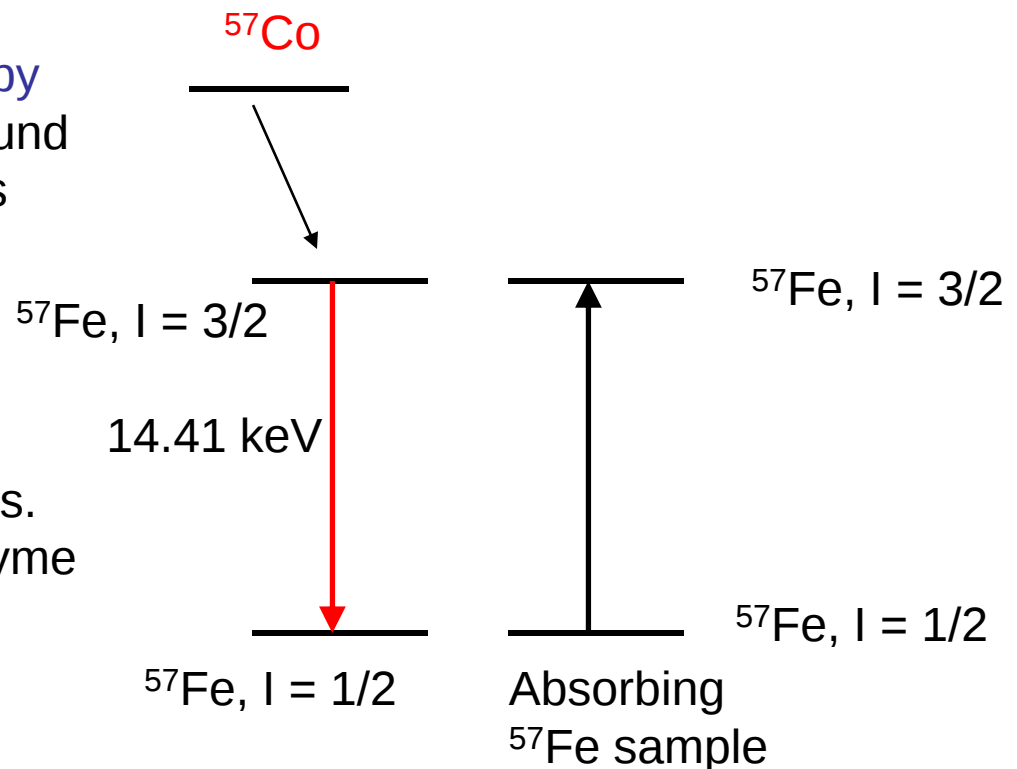
Mössbauer Spectroscopy (Nuclear Gamma Ray Resonance)



Mössbauer: a nuclear phenomena involves the absorption of photons by nuclei, causing transitions from ground nuclear spin states to excited states (e.g. $I = 1/2$ to $I = 3/2$ in ^{57}Fe)

Utility:

- the oxidation states, coordination environments, spin states of iron ions.
- number of irons in a cluster or enzyme
- spin coupling phenomena in iron clusters



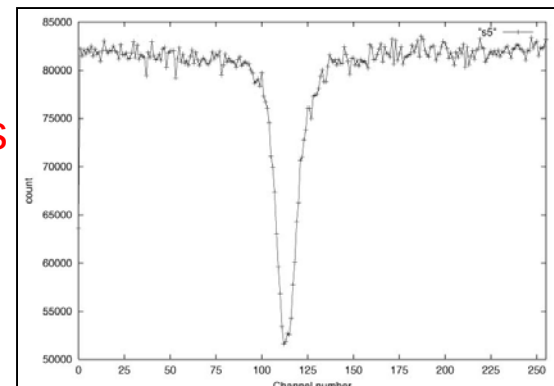
Isomer shift (δ , mm/s):

the energy of actual transition minus the energy at 0 mm/s;
reflects the magnitude of the **electron density at the nucleus**

Determined by

- oxidation state of the iron
- nature of the iron-ligand bonds
- the coordination number about the iron ion

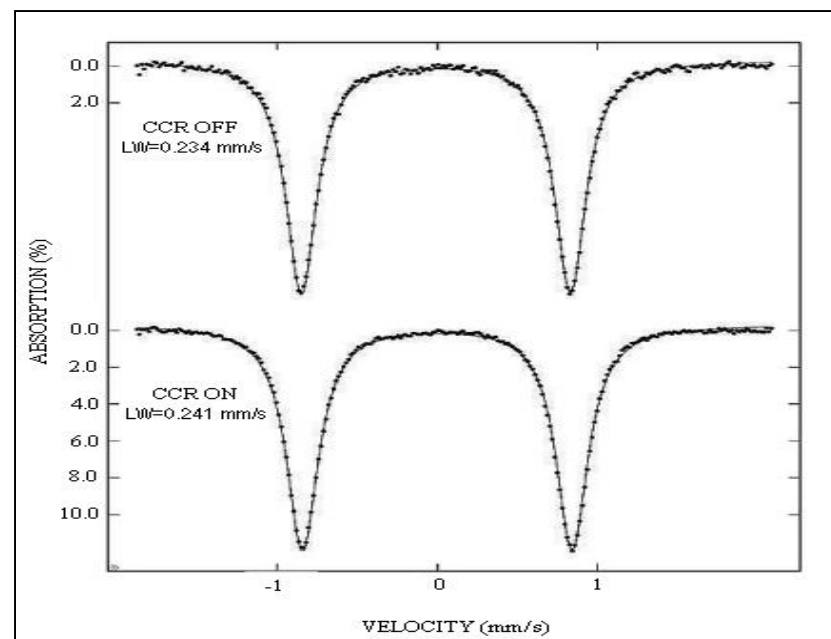
e.g. $\text{Fe}^{2+}(\text{SR})_4$, $\delta = 0.7$ mm/s; $\text{Fe}^{3+}(\text{SR})_4$, $\delta = 0.3$ mm/s



Quadrupole splitting (ΔE_Q): the electric field gradient (EFG)

- the electrons about the nucleus, thus indirectly about the oxidation state of the Fe
- the ligand field about the nucleus

For high spin Fe(II) and Fe(III), which one has bigger ΔE_Q ?



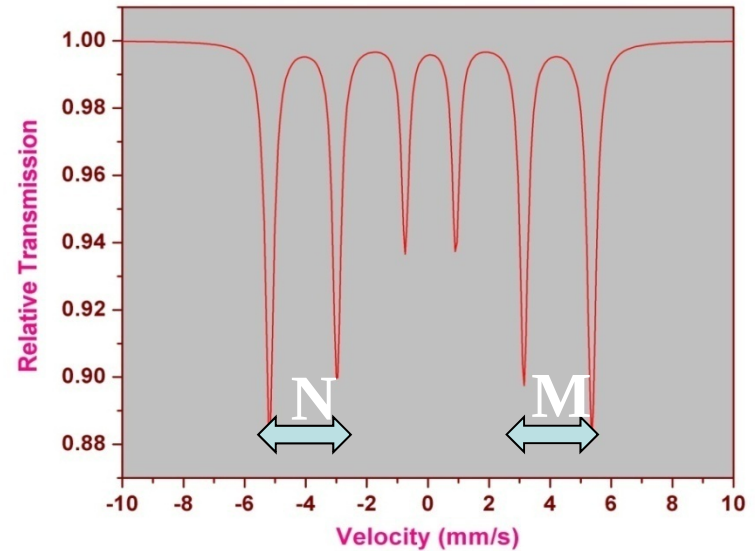
Typical ΔE_Q : for Fe(II) is 3 mm/s, for Fe(III) is 0.3 mm/s

Nuclear Zeeman Interaction:

the nuclear spin can interact with a **magnetic field**, like that of electron spin in EPR

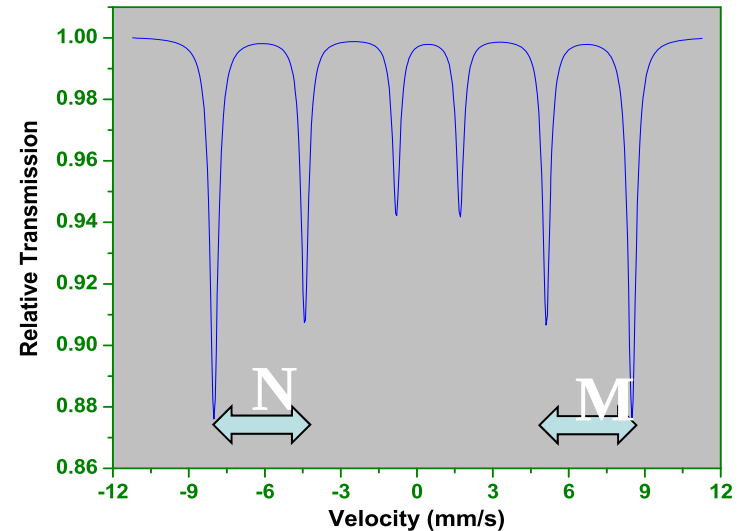
Sextet with cubic symmetry: No EFG

$$N - M = 0$$



Sextet without cubic symmetry: Presence of EFG

$$N - M \neq 0$$



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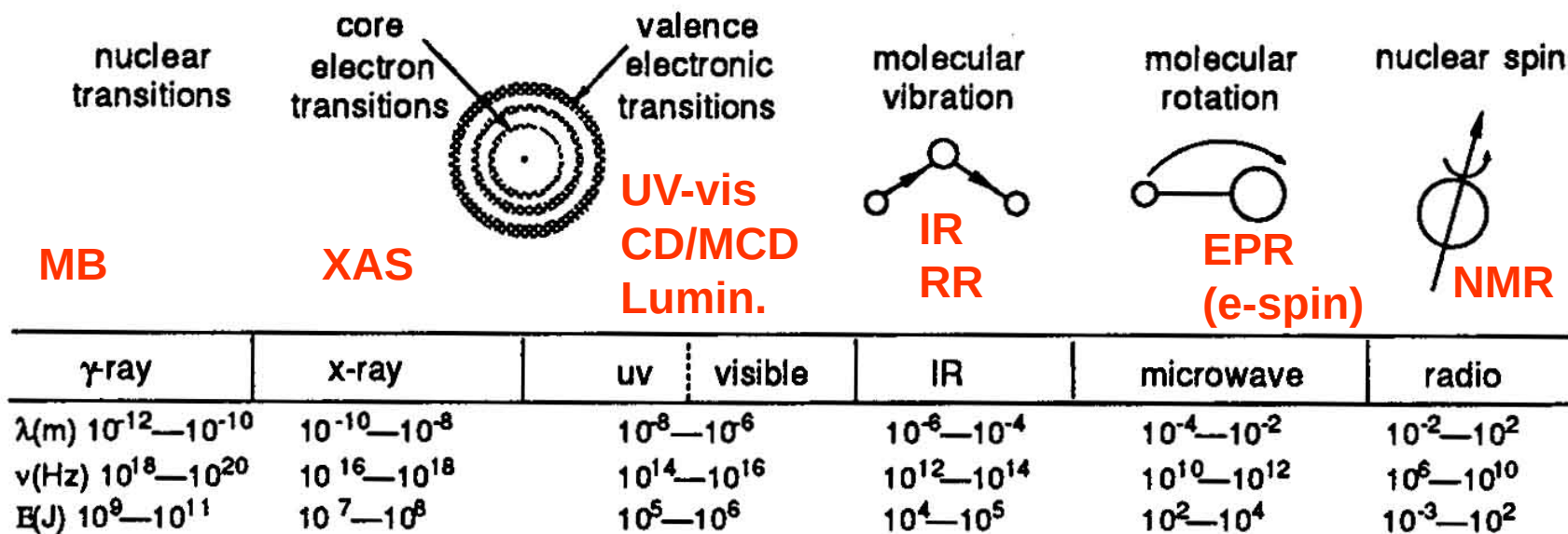
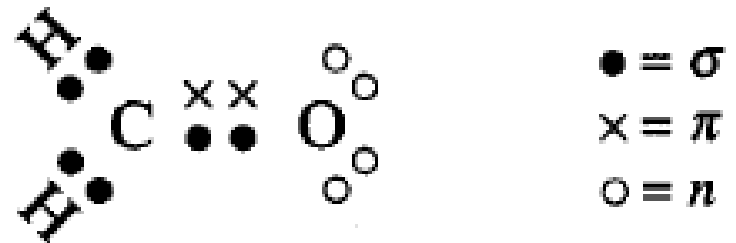


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