

### **quantized internal energy**

The quantized internal energy of a molecule in its electronic ground or excited state can be approximated with sufficient accuracy for analytical purposes by:

$$E_{\text{int}} = E_{\text{el}} + E_{\text{vib}} + E_{\text{rot}}$$

where  $E_{\text{el}}$  is the electronic,  $E_{\text{vib}}$  the vibrational and  $E_{\text{rot}}$  the rotational energy, respectively.

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