

Renner–Teller effect

Splittings in the vibrational levels of molecular entities due to even terms in the vibronic perturbation expansion. This is generally a minor effect for non-linear molecular entities compared to the *Jahn–Teller effect* which is due to the odd terms. For linear molecular entities it is the only possible vibronic effect characteristic of degenerate electronic states.

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