

## SP-1(A):TERM SYMBOLS

Addition of angular momentum vectors L and S of individual valence electron.

### LS (RS=Russel-Saunders coupling)

**Rules for determining ground state Term Symbol:**

**Term symbol =  $(2S+1)L_J$**

Where;

**S** =  $\sum m_s$  (max) = Total spin –Maximum spin multiplicity- Hund's Rule

**L** =  $\sum m_l$  (max) =Maximize the orbital angular momentum =Total orbital angular momentum.

**Notation:** L = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 .....

S, P, D, F, D, H .....

Calculate J

**J** = L+S, L+S-1, ..... |L-S| = Total angular momentum quantum number

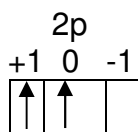
- (i) J = **Max** if the shell is more than half filled and **Min** if less than half filled.
- (ii) When the two states have same L value, the one having greater S value will have less energy.
- (iii) When the two states have same S value, then the one having greater L value will have less energy.
- (iv) For orbital having less than half filled , the energy order is

$${}^3P_0 < {}^3P_1 < {}^3P_2 < {}^1D_2 < {}^1S_0$$

### EXAMPLES

**Ground state symbols for some selected (configurations)atoms and ions**

1. Carbon ,  $p^2$



$$L = +1 + 0 = 1; \text{Term} = P$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1; 2S+1=3$$

$$J = L+S; (L+S)-1; \dots \dots \dots |L-S| = 2, 1, 0$$

The configuration is less than half filled .Hence, **J** must be **minimum**.

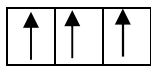
$J = 0$  must be the ground state.

The term symbol =  $^3P_0$

## 2. Nitrogen, $p^3$

$$2p^3$$

$$+1 \quad 0 \quad -1$$



$$L = +1 \quad 0 \quad -1 = 0$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}; 2S + 1 = 4$$

$$J = \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Term} = ^4S_{3/2}$$

## 3. Na, $3s^1$

$$\text{Na} = [\text{Ne}] 3s^1$$

$$L=0$$

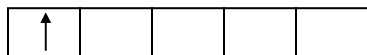
$$S = \frac{1}{2}; 2S+1 = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1 = 2$$

$$J = L + S \dots \text{to } |L-S| = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Term symbol for Na} = ^2S_{1/2}$$

## 4. $d^1$ - States

$$m_l = 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad -2$$



$$L = 2$$

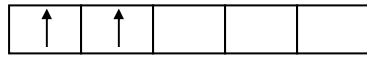
$$S = \frac{1}{2}; 2S+1 = 2 \times \frac{1}{2} + 1 = 2$$

$$J = L+S \dots \dots |L-S| = \frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Term symbol is } ^2D_{1/2}$$

5.  $d^2 - \text{States } (V^{3+})$ 

$$m_l = 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad -2$$



$$L = 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1 ; 2S + 1 = 2(1) + 1 = 3$$

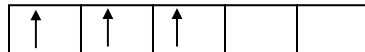
$$J = L + S; (L + S) - 1; \dots \dots \dots L - S = 4, 3, 2$$

$$= L + S = 2 \text{ (Less than half filled)}$$

Term symbol is  ${}^3F_2$

6.  $d^3 - \text{States}$ 

$$m_l = 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad -2$$



$$L = 2 + 1 + 0 = 3$$

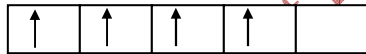
$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2} ; 2S + 1 = 2 \times \frac{3}{2} + 1 = 4$$

$$J = L + S \dots \dots \dots L - S = (3 + \frac{3}{2}) \dots \dots \dots \text{to } (3 - \frac{3}{2}) = \frac{9}{2}, \frac{7}{2}, \frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2} .$$

Term symbol for is  ${}^4F_{3/2}$

7.  $d^4 - \text{States}$ 

$$m_l = 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad -2$$



$$L = 2 + 1 + 0 - 1 = 2$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 2 ; 2S + 1 = 2 \times 2 + 1 = 5$$

$$J = L + S \text{ to } L - S = 4, 3$$

Term symbol for is  ${}^5D_0$

8.  $d^5 - \text{States}$ 

$$m_l = 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad -2$$



$$L = 2 + 1 + 0 - 1 - 2 = 0$$

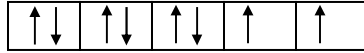
$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{2} ; 2S + 1 = 2 \times \frac{5}{2} + 1 = 6 ;$$

$$J = (L + S), (L + S - 1) \dots \dots \dots (L - S) = \frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{2} (J_{\max}, \text{Half filled- Highest})$$

Term symbol for  $d^5$  is  ${}^6S_{5/2}$

**9.  $d^8$  - States**

$$m_l = 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad -2$$



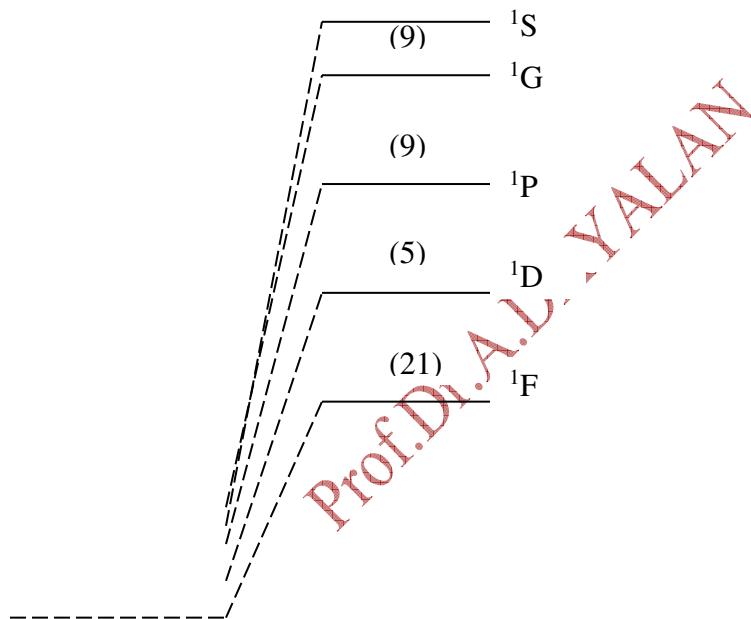
$$L = 2+1 = 3$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1 ; 2S+1 = 2(1) + 1 = 3$$

$$J = L+S \dots L-S = 3+1 \text{ to } 3-1 = 4, 3, 2 \text{ (more than half filled)}$$

Term symbol for  ${}^3F_4$

Similarly,  $d^6 = {}^5D$ ;  $d^7 = {}^4F$ ;  $d^8 = {}^3F$ ;  $d^9 = {}^2D$



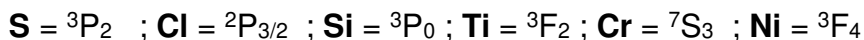
**The term arising from the electron interaction (J+S to J-S) in the  $d^2$  (Ground state- ${}^3F_2$ ) ion.**

The degeneracy of each term is indicated in parenthesis

**Free ion terms for various  $d^n$  (Oh) ions.**

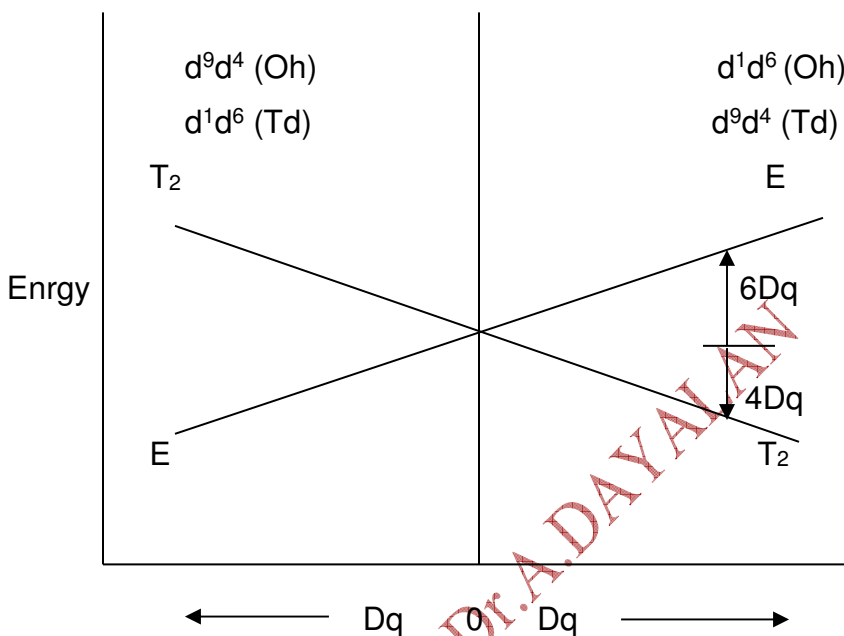
$d^n$	Terms
$d^1 d^9$	${}^2D$
$d^2 d^8$	${}^3F \ {}^3P \ {}^1G \ {}^1D \ {}^1S$
$d^3 d^7$	${}^4F \ {}^4P \ {}^2H \ {}^2G \ {}^2F \ {}^2D \ {}^2D \ {}^2P$
$d^4 d^6$	${}^5D \ {}^3H \ {}^3G \ {}^3F \ {}^3F \ {}^3D \ {}^3P \ {}^1I \ {}^1G \ {}^1G \ {}^1F \ {}^1D \ {}^1D \ {}^1S \ {}^1S$
$d^5$	${}^6S \ {}^4G \ {}^4F \ {}^4D \ {}^4P \ {}^2I \ {}^2H \ {}^2G \ {}^2G \ {}^2F \ {}^2F \ {}^2D \ {}^2D \ {}^2P \ {}^2S$

Ground State term symbol for some atoms

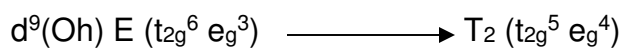


### ORGEL DIAGRAM

**NB:** All the d-d transitions are multiplicity and Laporte forbidden



**LHS:**  $d^9$  &  $d^4 (Oh)$  &  $d^1d^6 (Td)$  complexes give only one line corresponding to the transition.



$e_g^3$  can occur in two ways (E-doubly degenerate) as

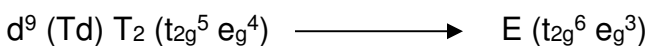
$d_{(x^2-y^2)}$	$d_{z^2}$
2	1
1	2

$t_{2g}^5$  in three ways ( $T_2$  triply degenerate) as

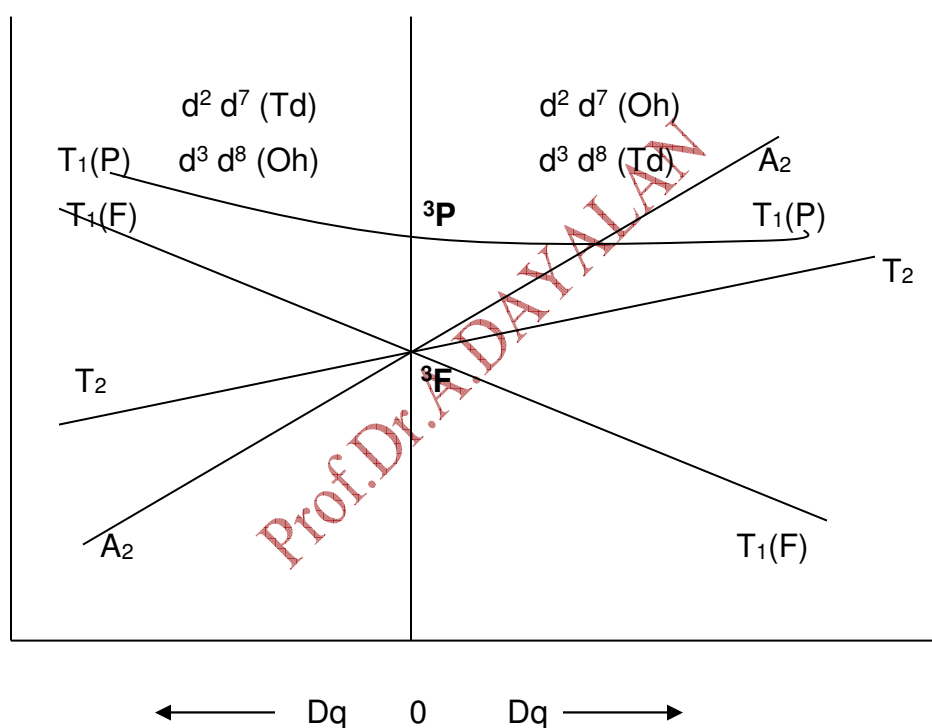
$d_{xy}$	$d_{yz}$	$d_{zx}$
2	1	1
1	2	1
1	1	2

**RHS:** Similarly,

$d^9$  &  $d^4$  (Td) &  $d^1d^6$  (Oh) complexes give **only one line** corresponding to the transition.



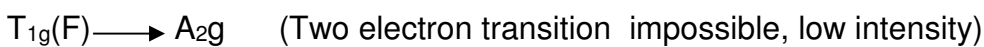
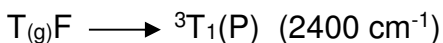
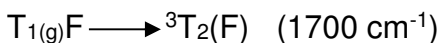
NB: Td complexes (no centre of symmetry) give **more intense bands** than the Oh complexes.



$^3F$  gets splitted but not  $^3P$

### Spectra of V(III)- $d^2$ (Oh) – (Two lines)- RHS

$T_{1g}(F)$  is the ground state. The possible transitions are

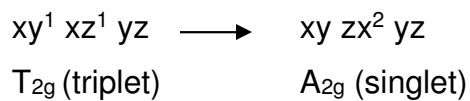


### Spectra of Ni(II)- $d^8$ -(Oh)– (Three lines)- LHS :

		Ligand	
		H <sub>2</sub> O	NH <sub>3</sub>
${}^3A_{2g}$	→	$T_{2g}$	
		8500 cm <sup>-1</sup>	10750 cm <sup>-1</sup>
${}^3A_{2g}$	→	$T_{1g}(F)$	
		15400	17500
${}^3A_{2g}$	→	$T_{1g}(P)$	
		26000	28200
		Weak field ligand	Strong field ligand
		Low Dq	High Dq
		Low energy	High energy

Possible electronic arrangement for  $t_{2g}^2 \rightarrow t_{2g}^1 eg^1$

But, the transition



is multiplicity forbidden and may take place with low intensity.

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