

## THE OPTICAL STARK SPECTRA OF CoF AND CoH

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Comparing the predicted and observed permanent electric dipole moments,  $\mu_{el}$ , for simple diatomic cobalt containing molecules is a means of testing computational methodologies used for modeling cobalt-catalyzed reactions. Here we report on the experimental determination of  $\mu_{el}$  for CoH and CoF from the analysis of the Stark shifts in the (0,0) bands of the  $A'^3\Phi_4 - X^3\Phi_4$  system of cobalt monohydride, CoH, and the  $[18.8]^3\Phi_4 - X^3\Phi_4$  system of cobalt monofluoride, CoF. In addition, the proton magnetic hyperfine interaction in CoH is analyzed. The relative values for  $\mu_{el}$  are rationalized using a molecular orbital correlation diagram and with high-level *ab initio* predictions<sup>a</sup>.

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