



Fig.1: Müller matrix element M_{32} for EPR ellipsometry scans of β - Ga_2O_3 at 155GHz at different azimuthal sample orientation. The (-201) oriented sample was measured at 45° angle of incidence with the magnetic field B parallel to the incident light. The sample was rotated about its surface normal starting from B being parallel to the monoclinic plane close to the c^* direction of the crystal (0°). The signature of Fe^{3+} ($s=5/2$) incorporated at different lattice sites is recognized as two quintuplets in each scan.

$$H = \mu_B \vec{B} g \vec{s} + \sum_{\substack{k=2 \\ k \text{ even}}}^4 \sum_{\substack{q=-k \\ q \text{ even}}}^k B_k^q O_k^q$$

Eq.1: Spin Hamiltonian for a monoclinic $s=5/2$ electronic system (without nuclear spin) with high-symmetry direction parallel to z in terms of Stevens (equivalent) operators O_k^q and coefficients B_k^q . The first term is the normal Zeeman splitting with Bohr magneton μ_B , magnetic field \vec{B} , g-factor tensor g , and spin \vec{s} . Terms with $k = 4$ would vanish for $s=3/2$, terms with negative indices q would vanish for orthorhombic systems under appropriate choice of the coordinate system. For a truly monoclinic $s=3/2$ systems, B_2^{-2} would be zero in a coordinate system where g would not be diagonal. For Fe^{3+} in Ga_2O_3 (Fig.1), $B_4^{\pm 2,4}$ turn out to be nonnegligible.