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Scientific theories ultimately survive or fail through confrontation with experiment. On this criterion PTV deserves careful consideration because it does something many speculative theories never attempt: it makes precise numerical predictions. The hydrogen fine structure paper represents an important milestone. Rather than merely reproducing qualitative trends, the theory derives explicit numerical level splittings from its rotational dynamics. The reported agreement with experiment is extremely good.

The greatest remaining challenge concerns independent verification. Extraordinary numerical agreement becomes scientifically persuasive only after independent researchers reproduce both the calculations and the assumptions. At present relatively few physicists have examined the PTV mathematics in detail. Consequently, although the reported numerical agreement is certainly interesting, it cannot yet be regarded as fully established scientific knowledge.