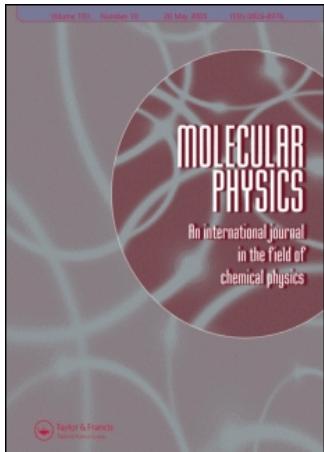


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The constants involved in the rotational expansion of the transformed transition moment operators of the  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$  bands of  $H_2^{17}O$  have been determined through a fit of 280 measured line intensities. The coefficients  ${}^1\mu_x$  and  ${}^3\mu_z$  of the expansion of the dipole moment with respect to normal coordinates have been deduced to be  ${}^1\mu_x = -0.021500 \pm 0.00030$  D and  ${}^3\mu_z = 0.09596 \pm 0.0012$  D.

Moreover, the knowledge of the transition moment operators has been used to compute the whole spectrum of the  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$  bands of  $H_2^{17}O$ .

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

In order to improve the knowledge of the water vapour spectrum in the  $2.7 \mu m$  region we have already performed line position and intensity calculations for the  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$  bands of  $H_2^{16}O$  [1] and  $H_2^{18}O$  [2]. Because  $H_2^{17}O$  is also present in natural water vapour, it is important to have at hand the line parameters for this less abundant isotope. Indeed the lines of this isotopic species are easily observed in atmospheric absorption spectra. Up to now, results concerning  $H_2^{17}O$  were rather scanty, the only available calculation being that of [3].

We report here a greatly improved compilation of calculated line positions and intensities of the  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$  bands of this molecule.

**2. INTENSITY CALCULATION**

The method we have proposed to compute line intensities, when it is necessary to take into account vibrorotational resonances, has been extensively described [1] and applied to the  $H_2^{16}O$  molecule [1, 4] and to the  $H_2^{18}O$  molecule [2, 5].

To calculate the line intensities (the partition function was taken to be  $Z(296) = 175.4$ ) we have taken the matrix elements of the transformed dipole moment between the wavefunctions of the upper and lower levels of the transitions. These wavefunctions, deduced from the fit of the observed energy levels, were taken from [6] for the triad of interacting states  $\{(020), (100), (001)\}$  and from [7] for the ground state  $(000)$ . The constants  ${}^v\mu_j'$ , involved in the

expansion of the transformed transition moment operators have been determined through a fit of the experimental line intensities recently measured by Toth *et al.* [8]. The fit of the observed intensities is very satisfactory as can be seen from the following statistical analysis of the relative differences  $\delta I/I$  between 280 calculated and measured line intensities (79 for  $2\nu_2$ , 59 for  $\nu_1$  and 142 for  $\nu_3$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \text{ per cent} \leq \delta I/I &< 8 \text{ per cent} & 71.4 \text{ per cent (of the lines)} \\ 8 \text{ per cent} \leq \delta I/I &< 15 \text{ per cent} & 20.4 \text{ per cent} \\ 15 \text{ per cent} \leq \delta I/I &< 25 \text{ per cent} & 8.2 \text{ per cent.} \end{aligned}$$

Table 1. Constants involved in the expansion of the transformed transition moment operators  ${}^v\mu'_z$  for the  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$  bands of  $H_2^{17}O$ . All the results are in Debye, the quoted errors being twice the standard deviations. Blank entries imply that the coefficients concerned were insignificant and constrained to zero.  $\{A, B\} = AB + BA$ ;  $J_{xy}^2 = J_x^2 - J_y^2$

$\Delta\nu_3$  even ( $v=2, 3$ )

$j$	${}^vA_j$	${}^v\mu'_j$	
		$v=2$ (020)	$v=3$ (100)
1	$\phi_x$	$0.00592_2 \pm 0.00013$	$-0.01520_3 \pm 0.00021$
2	$\{\phi_x, J^2\}$	$(0.31_9 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-5}$	
3	$\{\phi_x, J_z^2\}$		
4	$\{i\phi_y, J_z\}$	$(-0.137_4 \pm 0.025) \times 10^{-3}$	$(0.1311_1 \pm 0.0037) \times 10^{-2}$
5	$\{\phi_z, iJ_y\}$	$(0.48_5 \pm 0.22) \times 10^{-4}$	$(-0.559_8 \pm 0.025) \times 10^{-3}$
6	$\{\phi_z, \{J_x, J_z\}\}$	$(-0.80_2 \pm 0.36) \times 10^{-5}$	
7	$\frac{1}{2}[\{\phi_x, J_{xy}^2\} - \{i\phi_y, i\{J_x, J_y\}\}]$	$(-0.51_4 \pm 0.33) \times 10^{-5}$	
8	$\frac{1}{2}[\{\phi_x, J_{xy}^2\} + \{i\phi_y, i\{J_x, J_y\}\}]$		

$\Delta\nu_3$  odd ( $v=4$ )

$j$	${}^vA_j$	${}^v\mu'_j$ $v=4$ (001)
1	$\phi_z$	$0.06785_5 \pm 0.00085$
2	$\{\phi_z, J^2\}$	$(0.201_4 \pm 0.074) \times 10^{-4}$
3	$\{\phi_z, J_z^2\}$	$(-0.85_9 \pm 0.24) \times 10^{-4}$
4	$\frac{1}{2}[\{\phi_x, iJ_y\} - \{i\phi_y, J_x\}]$	$(-0.1409_5 \pm 0.0089) \times 10^{-2}$
5	$\frac{1}{2}[\{\phi_x, \{J_x, J_z\}\} - \{i\phi_y, i\{J_y, J_z\}\}]$	
6	$\frac{1}{2}[\{\phi_x, iJ_y\} + \{i\phi_y, J_x\}]$	$(0.449_5 \pm 0.035) \times 10^{-3}$
7	$\frac{1}{2}[\{\phi_x, \{J_x, J_z\}\} + \{i\phi_y, i\{J_y, J_z\}\}]$	$(-0.104_7 \pm 0.061) \times 10^{-4}$
8	$\{\phi_z, J_{xy}^2\}$	$(0.137_9 \pm 0.047) \times 10^{-4}$

The final constants  ${}^v\mu'_j$  deduced from the fit are gathered in table 1 together with the corresponding rotational operators  ${}^vA_j$  appearing in the expansion of the transformed transition moment operators  ${}^v\mu'_z$  of the three bands  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$ . More precisely we have

$${}^v\mu'_z = \sum_j {}^v\mu'_j {}^vA_j \text{ with } v = \begin{cases} 2 \text{ for (020)} \\ 3 \text{ for (100)} \\ 4 \text{ for (001).} \end{cases}$$

For  $B$ -type bands, the first term of this expansion is  ${}^v\mu'_1 \phi_x$  ( $v=2$  for  $2\nu_2$  and  $3$  for  $\nu_1$ ) whereas for  $A$ -type bands it is  ${}^v\mu'_1 \phi_z$  ( $v=4$  for  $\nu_3$ ). The constants  ${}^v\mu'_1$  are the so called vibrational transition moments. They are related to the coefficients involved in the expansion of the dipole moment operator with respect to normal coordinates through the following equations

$$\begin{aligned} {}^2\mu'_1 &= \langle 000 | {}^{\text{vib}}\mu'_x | 020 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( {}^{22}\mu_x + {}^2\mu_x \frac{k_{222}}{\omega_2} - \frac{1}{2} {}^1\mu_x \frac{k_{122}}{2\omega_2 + \omega_1} \right), \\ {}^3\mu'_1 &= \langle 000 | {}^{\text{vib}}\mu'_x | 100 \rangle = {}^1\mu_x / \sqrt{2}, \\ {}^4\mu'_1 &= \langle 000 | {}^{\text{vib}}\mu'_z | 001 \rangle = {}^3\mu_z / \sqrt{2}. \end{aligned}$$

From these relations and the values of the constants  ${}^v\mu'_1$  quoted in table 1 one derives the following values of the first derivatives of the dipole moment ( $D \approx 3.335640 \times 10^{-33} \text{ C m}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} {}^1\mu_x &= -0.02150_0 \pm 0.0030 \text{ D} \\ {}^3\mu_z &= 0.0959_6 \pm 0.0012 \text{ D}. \end{aligned}$$

Although slight isotopic variations must exist, these values are in good agreement with the results we have obtained for the first derivatives in the case of  $H_2^{18}O$  [2] and  $H_2^{16}O$  [1].

To demonstrate the influence of the isotopic substitution on line intensities in the case of resonance, we have gathered in table 2 the results for  $R$ -type transitions involving 3 resonant upper levels. It is clear that in such cases one cannot deduce the intensity for the  ${}^{18}O$  or  ${}^{17}O$  species from the corresponding intensity of the main  ${}^{16}O$  line. This is to be related to the fact that the mixing coefficients in the case of resonance are strongly isotope dependent (see table 2 of [6] where the mixing coefficients of the resonating levels considered here are presented).

Table 2. Example of the evolution of the intensities in an isotopic substitution for the transitions  $(v_1 v_2 v_3) (JK_a K_c) \leftarrow (000)$  [634] of  $H_2O$ .

$(v_1 v_2 v_3) [JK_a K_c]$	$\sigma_{\text{cal}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$	$k_{\sigma}^N/(\text{cm}^{-1}/\text{molecule cm}^{-2})$	Isotope
(020) [761]	3929.999	$0.726 \times 10^{-22}$	${}^{16}O$
	3916.705	$0.958 \times 10^{-21}$	${}^{17}O$
	3906.078	$0.578 \times 10^{-22}$	${}^{18}O$
(100) [743]	3923.467	$0.381 \times 10^{-20}$	${}^{16}O$
	3918.748	$0.187 \times 10^{-20}$	${}^{17}O$
	3913.488	$0.214 \times 10^{-20}$	${}^{18}O$
(001) [735]	3904.295	$0.212 \times 10^{-19}$	${}^{16}O$
	3897.214	$0.203 \times 10^{-19}$	${}^{17}O$
	3890.836	$0.208 \times 10^{-19}$	${}^{18}O$

Finally, using the values of the constants  ${}^v\mu'_j$  presented in table 1, we have computed a complete spectrum of the  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$  bands for pure  $H_2^{17}O$  at 296 K. A list containing the most intense lines appears in table 3. The

Table 3. Computed list of the lines of the  $2\nu_2$ ,  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_3$  bands of  $H_2^{17}O$  at 296 K. The meaning of the different columns is as follows : NO : vibrational assignment of the line,  $2 = (020)$ ,  $3 = (100)$ ,  $4 = (001)$ ,  $0 = (000)$ .

SIGMA: wavenumber of the line in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   
 $J'K'a'K_c$ : rotational quantum numbers of the upper and lower levels of the transition  
 $E$ : [lower level] energy in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$



Table 3 (*continued*)



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intensity cut-off is  $0.27 \times 10^{-21} \text{ cm}^{-1}/\text{molecule cm}^{-2}$  which corresponds to  $0.10 \times 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^{-1}/\text{molecule cm}^{-2}$  in natural water vapour. The total band intensities (that is the sum of the individual line strengths) are  $S_v(2\nu_2) = 0.717 \times 10^{-19}$ ,  $S_v(\nu_1) = 0.461 \times 10^{-18}$  and  $S_v(\nu_3) = 0.681 \times 10^{-17} \text{ cm}^{-1}/\text{molecule cm}^{-2}$  at 296 K. A more complete list with an intensity cut-off of  $0.1 \times 10^{-22} \text{ cm}^{-2}/\text{molecule cm}^{-2}$  has been deposited with the British Library. Copies of this table which comprises 7 pages may be obtained from the British Library, Lending Division, by quoting the number SP16040 according to the procedure described at the end of this issue.

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