MOLECULAR LINE INTENSITIES OF CARBON DIOXIDE IN THE 1.6 μm REGION DETERMINED BY CAVITY RINGDOWN SPECTROSCOPY

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Here we present some recent advances in frequency stabilized cavity ring-down spectroscopy (FS-CRDS) measurements of molecular line intensities of carbon dioxide in the $(30012) \leftarrow (00001)$, the $(30013) \leftarrow (00001)$, and the $(30014) \leftarrow (00001)$ bands near 1.6 μ m.

These measurements were performed near 296K using a frequency stabilized cavity ringdown spectrometer [1]. Additional independent measurements were performed on a frequency agile rapid scanning (FARS) CRDS [2].

We have compared the line intensities obtained from Hartmann Tran Profile (HTP) fits of the measured spectra to several spectroscopic databases, including UCL (ie, HITRAN2016) [3]. The overall agreement between these results and the ab initio calculations of Zak et al is excellent [3], although some individual transitions show deviations of up to 1%. The intensities for the $(30012) \leftarrow (00001)$ show average agreement at the 0.1% level. Preliminary measurements on the $(30013) \leftarrow (00001)$, and the $(30014) \leftarrow (00001)$ bands in this region also show good agreement with the ab initio of Zak et al for the $(30013) \leftarrow (00001)$, but considerably poorer agreement for the $(30014) \leftarrow (00001)$ band. No significant J-dependence is observed for any of the three bands.

This work demonstrates significant improvement in experimental determination of important CO_2 line intensities in the 1.6 μ m region. It also demonstrates that it may be feasible for ab initio theory to provide sufficiently accurate results for global determinations of line intensities in the near future.

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