Millimiter-wave spectroscopy of OSSO



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Results & Prospects



Sulfur-Rich Oxides S_nO_m

Sulfur: element with the largest number of binary oxides¹ Lower oxides of sulfur: SO, S_2O , S_2O_2 , S_3O ...

Sulfur containing species in space:

- $\triangleright~{\sim}10$ % of known interstellar molecules
- Detected sulfur oxides: SO₂², SO³
- Observed in molecular clouds, star forming regions, atmospheres (Venus⁴, Io)

- ²L. E. Snyder, Astrophys. J. 198, L81(1975)
- ³C. A. Gottlieb & J. A. Ball, Astrophys. J. 184, L59 (1973)

⁴Image: NASA, http://solarsystem.nasa.gov/planets



¹R. Steudel, Top Curr Chem 231, 203 (2003)



Structural complexity of sulfur oxides

Example: S_4O^1

- 11 stable conformers
- B3LYP/6-31G(2df)
- Energy within 120 kJ/mol



¹M. W. Wong et al., Chem. Eur. J. **13**, 502 (2007) M.A. Martin-Drumel et al.

Introduction



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- ${\scriptstyle \blacktriangleright} \ {\sf E}(\textit{branched}) < {\sf E}(\textit{cis}) \sim {\sf E}(\textit{trans})^1$
- Only the cis isomer have been observed to date²

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Previous investigations:

Pure rotational spectroscopy up to 50 GHz^{1,2}

Produced by discharge in SO₂

▶ OSSO (
$$\nu = 0$$
, $\nu_3 = 1$)

▶
$$O^{34}SSO(\nu = 0)$$

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Experimental set-up



- ▶ Frequency multiplication chain (70 GHz 1.1 THz)
- ▶ 5 m long absorption cell
- Radio-frequency (RF) discharge

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Electronic configuration



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Optical arrangement



10 m absorption length

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- ▶ Precursor: SO₂
- Discharge power: \leq 5W \triangleright
- Pressure: 3 µbar (flow)

SO₂ (GS, $\nu_3 = 1$), SO¹⁸O, SO¹⁷O, S₂O, SO, ³⁴SO, ³³SO, S¹⁸O

Other observed species:



Experimental conditions

- Frequency range covered:
 - 70 120 GHz (steps 10 kHz)
 - 340 500 GHz (steps 50 kHz)
- 20 ms time constant
- Second harmonic detection



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Experimental details

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OSSO: ground and $\nu_3 = 1$ states





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- ▶ fc-CCSD(T)/cc-pV(Q+d)Z calculation: Vibrationally excited transitions assigned to the ν_3 mode





Frequency and uncertainty

Pseudo-Voigt profile of type (1 - s)G + sL:

$$y(\nu) = A\left\{ (1-s)exp\left[-\ln 2\left(\frac{\nu-B}{C}\right)^2 \right] + s\frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{\nu-B}{C}\right)^2} \right\}$$

A height of the line, B center frequency, C FWHM, s "shape"

Uncertainty on line frequency¹:

$$\delta(\nu) = \frac{(C\Delta\nu)^{1/2}}{SNR} \left\{ (1-s) \left(\frac{2}{\pi \ln 2}\right)^{1/4} + s \left(\frac{32}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \right\}$$

¹D. Landman et al., Astrophys. J. 261, 732 (1982)

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- RMS= 50 kHz (our data: 7 kHz)

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(MHz)	This work	S. Thorwirth (2006)	This work	F. J. Lovas (1974)
A	12972.92980 (10)	12972.93037 (72)	13133.21612 (45)	13133.245 (22)
В	3488.970410 (34)	3488.96986 (33)	3469.568432 (77)	3469.5754 (62)
С	2745.054829 (31)	2745.05543 (20)	2736.199454 (72)	2736.2036 (77)
$\Delta_J imes 10^3$	3.380639 (20)	3.3717 (44)	3.180504 (79)	3.125 (45)
$\Delta_{JK} imes 10^3$	-26.97455 (14)	-26.926 (35)	-26.5592 (13)	-26.07 (39)
$\Delta_K imes 10^3$	97.04625 (57)	96.921 (38)	104.136 (15)	98.7 (46)
$\delta_{I} \times 10^{3}$	1.0308574 (72)	1.0313 (17)	0.957989 (25)	0.9662 (80)
$\delta_K \times 10^3$	6.50171 (27)	6.158 (83)	6.64716 (87)	6.21 (39)
$\Phi_J \times 10^9$	0.3703 (49)	13.9 (24)		
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$\Phi_K imes 10^6$	5.6180 (16)	3.51 (43)	6.74 (37)	
$φ_J imes 10^9$	0.4595 (23)	-11.5 (11)	0.320 (19)	
$\phi_{JK} imes 10^6$	-0.01177 (10)		-0.0159 (14)	
$\phi_K \times 10^6$	0.7542 (25)		0.755 (32)	
$L_{J} \times 10^{12}$	0.06273 (43)			
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$L_{JK} \times 10^9$	-0.02326 (46)			
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▶ σ = 1.03

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Empirical, F. J. Lovas *et al.* (1974) Calculated, CCSD(T)/cc-pwCVQZ Empirical, this work, using zero-point vibrational corrections calculated at CCSD(T)/cc-pV(Q+d)Z MG12 - MILLIMITER-WAVE SPECTROSCOPY OF (



Geometry of OSSO

S-S bond length: about 7 % shorter

than in isovalent S_4^1





Prospects



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Other lower oxides of sulfur





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