

HIGH-RESOLUTION SPECTROSCOPY AND ANALYSIS OF THE 3 μm REGION OF C_2H_4 IN NATURAL ISOTOPIC ABUNDANCE.

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Ethylene is a natural gaseous compound present in the atmosphere of the Earth but also observed in the atmospheres of outer solar system bodies such as Neptune and Titan^{1,2}. Optical remote sensing of this species in these environments requires knowledge of spectroscopic parameters characterizing its spectrum. Such an information is compiled in databases,^{3,4} their improvement being a long-lasting, constant effort.

We present here a detailed analysis and modeling of the strongly absorbing ν_9 and ν_{11} fundamental bands of C_2H_4 observed in the 3 μm region. Due to the complexity of the observed spectrum, we have built a reasonably complex polyad scheme that includes some fundamental and combination bands previously analyzed using the tensorial formalism developed in Dijon for asymmetric-top molecules⁵. A four-polyad system has been used to analyze a region where mainly five rovibrational modes: ν_9 , ν_{11} , $\nu_2 + \nu_{12}$, $\nu_2 + \nu_{10}$, and $2\nu_{10} + \nu_{12}$ of the ethylene emerge. A first frequency analysis has been performed, providing 3328 assignments and 87 adjusted parameters with a root mean square of $5.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and a standard deviation of $2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-1}$. The line intensities were then fitted with a root mean square deviation of 1.9%, using parameters determined from the analysis of the line positions. The band intensities were also determined and compared with previous work. A new line list of calculated lines in the 2900-3300 cm^{-1} region will be proposed to

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be added to the ECasDa, HITRAN⁶, and GEISA databases⁷.

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