HIGH-RESOLUTION FT-UV EMISSION SPECTROSCOPY OF THE 1- ν'' BANDS OF B² Σ^+ – X² Σ^+ SYSTEM OF ¹²C¹⁶O⁺.

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The B² Σ^+ ($\nu = 1$) level of ¹²C¹⁶O⁺ was investigated using the high-resolution, emission spectra obtained via Fourier-transform spectroscopy of the strongest (1–2) and (1–3) bands of the First Negative (B² $\Sigma^+ - X^2\Sigma^+$) system^{1,2}.

The B-X, CO⁺ bands were recorded with an instrumental resolution of 0.04 cm⁻¹ and the best signal-to-noise ratio ca. 50:1. For obtaining spectra of the ${}^{12}C^{16}O^+$ isotopologue an air-cooled hollow-cathode (HC) lamp, filled with ${}^{12}C^{16}O_2$ and trace amount of Ne, was used. The spectrum was calibrated using measurements of the atomic lines of Fe ³ impurity present in the spectra. The absolute accuracy of the calibration is estimated to be better than 0.0050 cm⁻¹.

The present data were elaborated with the PGOPHER program⁴ and wide set of molecular constants for the $B^2\Sigma^+$, $\nu = 1$ and $X^2\Sigma^+$, $\nu = 2, 3$ and levels was obtained. This work results were compared with the recent ones presented by Ventura et al.⁵, and the discussed by the authors band origin values were carefully checked and verified. Moreover, a very week irregularities with the positions of the lines connected with $B^2\Sigma^+$, $\nu = 1, N = 21$ levels were discovered.

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