

COMBINATION BANDS BETWEEN 2900 AND 3600 CM^{-1} OF CYCLIC O_4 CATION TRAPPED IN SOLID NEON

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The infrared spectrum of cyc-O_4^+ trapped in solid neon includes a group of combination bands built on $(\nu_1 + \nu_5)$ of ground-state cyc-O_4^+ . Each peak lies close to a counterpart previously reported^a in a study of the infrared laser photodissociation spectroscopy of a mass-selected molecular beam. This agreement is consistent with the vibrational assignment of three low-frequency modes of cyc-O_4^+ that was proposed in the earlier study. The spectra obtained for the isotopologues formed by the substitution of one or two $^{18}\text{O}_2$ moieties suggest the occurrence of interaction with a nearby excited electronic state.

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