

## HIGH RESOLUTION FOURIER TRANSFORM UV EMISSION SPECTROSCOPY OF THE 410 NM BAND OF THE TiCl RADICAL

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High resolution UV emission spectrum of the 410 nm band of the TiCl radical was measured by Fourier transform spectrometer (Bruker IFS120HR) with the resolution of  $0.04 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . This band was assigned as the electronic transition of  ${}^2\Phi - {}^2\Delta$  band of the TiCl radical by Phillips and Davis [1], but recent study of ZrCl[2] suggested that this band might be  ${}^4\Gamma - X^4\Phi$  or  ${}^4\Phi - X^4\Phi$  band.

In the present work a new electronic assignment of  ${}^4\Gamma - X^4\Phi$  was proposed. The vibrational assignments were made for each subbands. The vibrational bands of (0-0), (1-1), (2-2), (3-3), and (4-4) were assigned for the subbands of  ${}^4\Gamma_{5/2} - {}^4\Phi_{3/2}$  and  ${}^4\Gamma_{7/2} - {}^4\Phi_{5/2}$ . For the subband of  ${}^4\Gamma_{9/2} - {}^4\Phi_{7/2}$ , the (0-0), (1-1) and (2-2) bands were assigned, but for the  ${}^4\Gamma_{11/2} - {}^4\Phi_{9/2}$  subband, only (0-0) band was assigned. Rotational analysis were done for  ${}^4\Gamma_{5/2} - {}^4\Phi_{3/2}$  and  ${}^4\Gamma_{7/2} - {}^4\Phi_{5/2}$  subbands. The band origins, rotational constants, and centrifugal distortion constants were determined by the least square method. The rotational constants were consistent with those reported by Ram and Bernath [3] within the experimental error. From the line intensities of *P*- and *R*- branches,  $\Delta\Lambda$  was derived to be +1, and therefore upper state was determined to be  ${}^4\Gamma$ . Further measurements and analysis for the subbands of  ${}^4\Gamma_{9/2} - {}^4\Phi_{7/2}$  and  ${}^4\Gamma_{11/2} - {}^4\Phi_{9/2}$  should be needed to confirm the present electronic assignment definitely.

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