## FTIR SPECTROSCOPY OF THE $\nu_4$ BANDS OF $^{14}$ NO $_3$ and $^{15}$ NO $_3$

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High-resolution Fourier transform infrared spectra of the NO $_3$   $\nu_4$  bands of  $^{14}$ N and  $^{15}$ N isotopic species were observed in the 365 and 360 cm $^{-1}$  region. Observed lines were used to determine  $\Delta$ K=3 combination differences of the ground state coupled with transition frequencies of the  $\nu_3$  hot band  $\nu_3$  +  $\nu_4$  -  $\nu_4$  in 1127 cm $^{-1}$  region $^a$  and  $\nu_3$  +  $\nu_4$  band in 1492 cm $^{-1}$  region, which made it possible to determine the rotational  $C_0$  constants of 0.228 6321(67) cm $^{-1}$  and 0.228 674(11) cm $^{-1}$  for  $^{14}$ NO $_3$  and  $^{15}$ NO $_3$ , respectively. Inertial defects of several vibrational states were calculated by using a formula of Jagod and Oka $^b$  and compared with the observed values. Although the observed Coriolis coupling constants  $\zeta_4$ =-0.188 ( $^{14}$ NO $_3$ ) and -0.156 ( $^{15}$ NO $_3$ ) are largely different from the expected value of -0.7 from a force field calculation, observed inertial detects are in good agreement with calculated values, for example,  $\Delta_{obs}$ (Gr.)= 0.206 [0.223] amuÅ $^2$ , (v<sub>4</sub>=1) 0.434[0.437] amuÅ $^2$  etc, where calculated values are given in square brackets.

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