

High-resolution Fourier transform emission spectroscopy of the $A^2\Pi_i - X^2\Pi_i$ band of the OCS^+ ion

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High resolution Fourier transform (FT) emission spectroscopy of the $A^2\Pi_i - X^2\Pi_i$ band of OCS^+ generated by Penning ionization with metastable He^* atom was performed in the 370 - 490 nm UV region at a resolution of 0.03 cm^{-1} . The ν_1 (CO stretching) progression bands from the ground vibrational state of $A^2\Pi_i$ to the ν_1 excited states of $X^2\Pi_i$ were observed for the $\nu_1 = 0 \leftarrow 2 - 5$ bands of the $\Omega = 3/2$ and $1/2$ components. The parity doubling were resolved for the P - and R -branch lines for $\Omega = 1/2$.

Observed ν_1 progression bands were analyzed together with the origin bands reported by LIF study to give the accurate molecular constants of OCS^+ . The spin-orbit interaction constants A_0 determined are $-381.0(56)$ and $-126.5(56)\text{ cm}^{-1}$, respectively, for the $X^2\Pi_i$ and $A^2\Pi_i$ states to agree with the previously reported ones. The CO bond length for the $A^2\Pi_i$ state is longer by 0.1756 \AA than that for the $X^2\Pi_i$ state, while the CS bond length shorter by 0.0905 \AA , as determined by the observed rotational constants B_0 and Franck-Condon factors, implying the excited state has much weaker CO bond than that of the ground state. The large change in the molecular structure between $A^2\Pi_i$ and $X^2\Pi_i$ causes the prominent ν_1 progression bands observed in the present FT emission spectrum.

<Introduction> For the OCS^+ ion, observation of the $A^2\Pi_i - X^2\Pi_i$ emission band is limited only from the vibrational ground state of $A^2\Pi_i$ to the ν_1 (CO stretch) vibrational excited states of the $X^2\Pi_i$ state (Fig. 1). It is because the internal conversion (IC) occurs from the $A^2\Pi_i$ state to the highly excited vibrational levels of $X^2\Pi_i$ state and the OCS^+ ion rapidly predissociates to $S^+(^4S_u) + CO(X^1\Sigma^+)$ due to the crossing of a repulsive $^4\Sigma^-$ state. In the present study¹⁾, we report a Fourier transform (FT) emission spectroscopy of the $A^2\Pi_i - X^2\Pi_i$ band of OCS^+ for both the $\Omega=3/2$ and $1/2$ spin components to give the accurate molecular constants in the $X^2\Pi_i$ state.

<Experiment> The OCS^+ ion was generated by Penning ionization of OCS with metastable helium atoms, $He^* + OCS \rightarrow He + (OCS^+)^*$. Emitted UV light was introduced to a FT spectrometer (Bruker IFS-120 HR) to be recorded with a resolution of 0.03 cm^{-1} accumulating for 60 hours in total. Four CO-stretch progression bands ($\nu_1=0 \rightarrow 2-5$) were observed in the frequency range of $21,000-27,000\text{ cm}^{-1}$

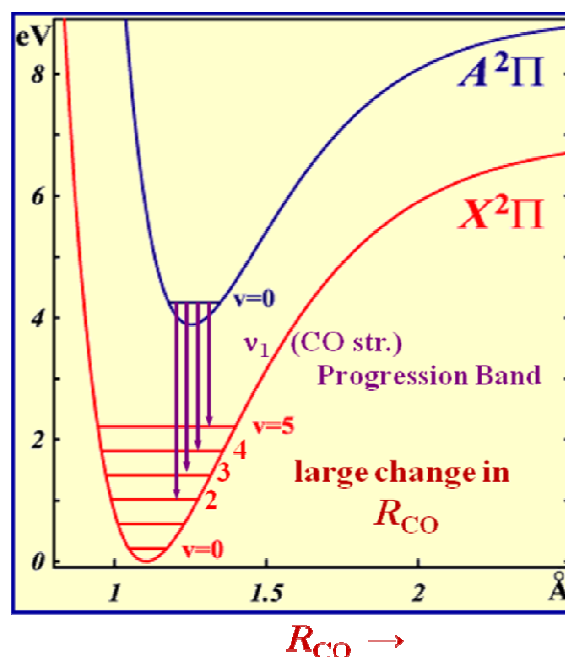


Fig.1 A-X Emission Bands of OCS^+

which were split into two spin components ($\Omega = 3/2$ and $1/2$). The $\nu_1 = 0 \rightarrow 3$ band ($\Omega = 3/2$) has a strong R -branch head together with the well resolved P - and R -branch lines and a weak Q -branch in the R and P branch gap (Fig. 2). The R and P -branch lines for $\Omega = 1/2$ split into the Λ -type doubling, but no Q -branch lines were recorded. Accuracy of the line position is estimated to be 0.005 cm^{-1} .

< Results > The progression bands ($\nu_1=0 \rightarrow 2-5$) for both $\Omega = 3/2$ and $1/2$ were analyzed together with the origin band ($\nu_1=0 \rightarrow 0$) observed by LIF study²⁾ accounting for the spin-orbit interaction explicitly. Eighteen molecular constants were fitted as listed in Table 1 including the spin-orbit interaction constants A_0 and A_{D0} and the Λ -type doubling constant $(q+p/2)_0$. The standard deviation of the fit was 0.0034 cm^{-1} consistent with the estimated accuracy of 0.005 cm^{-1} .

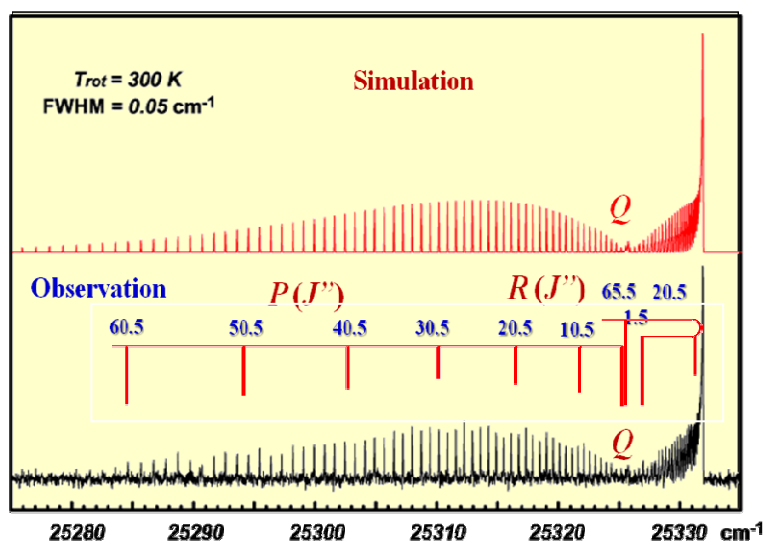


Fig. 2 $A^2\Pi_i-X^2\Pi_i$ $\nu=0 \rightarrow 3$ ($\Omega=3/2$) band of OCS^+

The rotational constants B_0 determined for the ground $X^2\Pi_i$ state is by $0.007659(18) \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (~4%) larger than that for the excited $A^2\Pi_i$ state. The spin-orbit interaction constant $A_0 = -381.0(56) \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for the $X^2\Pi_i$ state is three times larger in magnitude than that $-126.5(56) \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for the $A^2\Pi_i$ state, which are consistent with those (-367.2 and -111.8 cm^{-1}) reported by laser induced fragmentation study³⁾.

The CO bond length for the $X^2\Pi_i$ state was determined to be 1.10543 \AA from the rotational constant B_0 assuming that for CS to be 1.6570 \AA as given by the MRSD-CI calculation⁴⁾. The CO and CS bond lengths for the $A^2\Pi_i$ state were determined to be 1.2810 and 1.5665 \AA , respectively, from Franck-Condon factors given by emission band intensities and the observed rotational constant B_0 . The CO bond length for the $A^2\Pi_i$ state is longer by 0.1756 \AA than that for the $X^2\Pi_i$ state, but the CS bond length is shorter by 0.0905 \AA to accord with the prominent ν_1 progression bands observed in the wide range of UV region.

Excitation of one electron from the 2π orbital to the 3π orbital gives the $A^2\Pi_i$ excited state with the electronic configuration of

$$(8\sigma)^2 (9\sigma)^2 (2\pi)^3 (3\pi)^4,$$

where the 2π orbital consists of the π_{CO} bonding orbital and the 3π orbital mainly of a π bonding orbital between C and S to weaken the CO bond and to strengthen CS bond for $A^2\Pi_i$ than those for $X^2\Pi_i$.

Table 1. Molecular Constants of OCS^+

	$X^2\Pi$	$A^2\Pi$	cm^{-1}
T_0	0.0	31276.826	Term Value
A_0	-381.0	> -126.5	S-O Int.
ω_1	2088.97	(2039.50)	Vib. Freq.
ω_1^x	19.975	(9.78)	
B_0	0.19477	> 0.18711	Rot. Con.
$\alpha_1 * 10^4$	6.435	---	
$D_0 * 10^8$	6.43	4.23	Cent. Dist.

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