HIGH RESOLUTION FTIR SPECTROSCOPY OF THE ν_4 BAND OF BENZENE 1, 3, 5 – d3

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We have recorded the ν_4 band (Herzberg numbering) of benzene 1, 3, 5 – d3 using high resolution (0.0015 cm⁻¹) Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy. The spectrum was taken with the benzene sample in a temperature stabilized cell (4°C), 20 cm in length. The interferometer used a mylar beamsplitter and the spectrum was recorded with a liquid helium-cooled silicon bolometer. For the band we have fit the following preliminary spectroscopic constants: $\nu_0 = 531.06401(1) \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $B' = 0.171542(2) \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $(C' - B') - (C'' - B'') = 3.48(2) \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-1}$, $B'' = 0.171842(3) \text{ cm}^{-1}$. Band centers of the observed sequences of hot bands will be reported.