

## NITROGEN BROADENING AND SHIFT COEFFICIENTS IN THE $\nu_5$ AND $\nu_6$ FUNDAMENTAL BANDS OF $^{12}\text{CH}_3\text{D}$

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A multispectrum nonlinear least-squares fitting technique<sup>a</sup> has been used to determine Lorentz  $\text{N}_2$ -broadening and pressure-induced shift coefficients for a large number of transitions in the  $\nu_5$  and  $\nu_6$  fundamental bands of  $^{12}\text{CH}_3\text{D}$  in the region from 1060 to 1640  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . We analyzed a total of 17 high-resolution (0.002 to 0.006  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) room temperature absorption spectra recorded with the Bruker IFS 120 HR at PNNL and the 1-m Fourier transform spectrometer (FTS) at the McMath-Pierce facility of the National Solar Observatory at Kitt Peak. Our multispectrum analysis technique allowed us to simultaneously analyze both self-broadened and  $\text{N}_2$ -broadened spectra. The data set included 13 spectra of 98% pure  $\text{CH}_3\text{D}$  at pressures of 0.1 to 303 torr in cells with path lengths of 10 to 2486 cm and 4 spectra of lean mixtures ( $\approx 1\%$ ) of  $\text{CH}_3\text{D}$  in research grade nitrogen at total pressures between 100 and 400 torr in a 25 cm cell.

$\text{N}_2$ -broadening coefficients for over 800 transitions and shift coefficients for more than 600 transitions in the  $\nu_5$  and  $\nu_6$  bands were determined. Transitions with rotational quantum numbers up to  $J'' = 15$  and  $K'' = 14$  were analyzed.  $\text{N}_2$ -broadening coefficients were measured in all six  $\nu_6$  sub-bands ( $^P P$ ,  $^P Q$ ,  $^P R$ ,  $^R P$ ,  $^R Q$  and  $^R R$ ). The measured broadening coefficients vary from about 0.02 to 0.09  $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{atm}^{-1}$  at 296K. Most of the measured pressure-shift coefficients are negative with values extending from about -0.014 to +0.005  $\text{cm}^{-1} \text{atm}^{-1}$ . Very few of the measured shift coefficients are positive, and the positive shifts are mostly associated with the  $J'' = K''$  transitions in the  $^P Q$  sub-bands.  $J'' = K''$  transitions are also associated with the smallest broadening coefficients in both the  $\nu_5$  and  $\nu_6$  bands.

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