

ABSORPTION SPECTROSCOPY OF $\Sigma 0_0 \rightarrow \Pi 1_0$ BAND IN Rg·ND₃ (Rg = Ne, Ar, Kr)

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Previously, we have reported the $\Sigma 0_0 \rightarrow \Pi 1_0$ vibrational-tunneling-rotational (VTR) transition in the Ar·ND₃ complex.^a Here we report the first observation of the corresponding transition in the Ne·ND₃ and Kr·ND₃ complexes using a pulsed jet FASST spectrometer operating in the 195-298 GHz region. The inversion components of the VTR band corresponding to different nuclear spin states, are observed for all complexes Rg·ND₃ (Rg = Ne, Ar, Kr). The experimental data were fit to a pseudo-diatom Hamiltonian,^b yielding molecular constants, including the value of the inversion splitting, Δ , in the complexes. A semiquantitative model of the (moderate) quenching of the inversion splitting in the complex is proposed.

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