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Abstract:We have developed a simultaneous global fit to the MW, THz, infrared, visible, and UV transitions of all six oxygen isotopologues, $^{16}\text{O}^{16}\text{O}$, $^{16}\text{O}^{17}\text{O}$, $^{16}\text{O}^{18}\text{O}$, $^{17}\text{O}^{17}\text{O}$, $^{17}\text{O}^{18}\text{O}$, $^{18}\text{O}^{18}\text{O}$, with the objective of predicting all transitions below the $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$ $\text{O}(^3\text{P})$ dissociation threshold as well as the $\text{B}^{3\Sigma_u^-}$ state from $\text{O}(^3\text{P})\text{O}(^1\text{D})$ within state-of-the-art experimental uncertainty. Here, we report an isotopically invariant Dunham fit for the lowest three electronic states, $X^{3\Sigma_g^-}$, $a^{1\Delta_g}$, and $b^{1\Sigma_g^+}$. Experimental transition frequencies involving these three states of all six O_2 isotopologues were critically reviewed and incorporated into the analysis. For the $^{16}\text{O}^{16}\text{O}$ isotopologue, experimental data sample vibrational states $v=0-31$ for $X^{3\Sigma_g^-}$, $v=0-10$ for $a^{1\Delta_g}$, and $v=0-12$ for $b^{1\Sigma_g^+}$. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first analysis that simultaneously fits spectra from all six O_2 isotopologues. © 2012 American Institute of Physics.

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