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Theoretical calculation of a full-dimensional *ab initio* potential energy surface and prediction of infrared spectra for Xe–CS₂

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An effective four-dimensional (4D) *ab initio* potential energy surface (PES) for Xe–CS₂ which explicitly involves the intramolecular Q_1 symmetric stretching and Q_3 antisymmetric stretching vibrational coordinates of CS₂ is constructed. The computations are carried out employing single- and double-excitation coupled-cluster theory with a non-iterative perturbation treatment of triple excitations [CCSD(T)] method with a large basis set. Two vibrationally averaged potentials at the ground and $v_1 + v_3$ ($v_1 = 1$, $v_3 = 1$) excited states are obtained by integrating the 4D potentials over the Q_1 and Q_3 coordinates. The potentials have a T-shaped global minimum and two equivalent linear local minima. The radial discrete variable representation/angular finite basis representation and the Lanczos algorithm are employed to calculate the rovibrational energy levels for Xe–CS₂. The infrared band origin shift associated with the fundamental band of CS₂ is predicted, which is red-shifted by –1.996 cm⁻¹ in the $v_1 + v_3$ region. In addition, we further predict the spectroscopic parameters for the ground and the $v_1 + v_3$ excited states of Xe–CS₂. Compared with the previous Rg–CS₂ (Rg = He, Ne, Ar, Kr) complexes, we found that the complexes of the rare gas atoms with CS₂ display obvious regularities.

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Introduction

The linear CX_2 (X = O, S) molecules play an important role in the investigation of atmosphere. While complexes consisting of small linear molecules (CO_2 , OCS , CS_2) bound to a rare gas (Rg) have had a remarkable growth in interest in spectroscopic studies. Such studies are aimed at advancing our understanding of the weak intermolecular forces and dynamics of these bound molecules. As we know, CO_2 exists extensively in nature and absorbs infrared radiation in the ground. Accordingly, complexes containing CO_2 have been widely investigate both experimentally¹⁻⁷ and theoretically.⁸⁻²⁵ As an analog of CO_2 , CS_2 is one of the sulfur compounds in the Earth's atmosphere and has also been widely studied because sulfur is a key element in the spectroscopy of giant planets. In addition, some interesting differences were explored for Rg– CS_2 compared to Rg– CO_2 .

Experimentally, the first infrared spectra for the Rg–CS₂ complexes²⁶ with Rg = He, Ne, Ar were studied in the CS₂ ν_3 region. Meanwhile, Mivehvar *et al.* also reported the high resolution spectra of the He–CS₂ complex in the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ region (2185 cm⁻¹). In their work, the structures were T-shaped and the

spectroscopic parameters were presented. Theoretically, a number of ab initio potential energy surfaces (PESs) for Rg-CS₂ were constructed at different levels of theory. For instance, Farrokhpour and co-workers²⁷ first determined the PESs for the Rg-CS₂ complexes using CCSD(T) theory with the aug-cc-pVDZ basis set. Soon after, Zang et al.28 reported the twodimensional PES for the Rg-CS₂ (Rg = He, Ne, Ar) complexes by using the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set at the CCSD(T) level. However, these theoretical studies have obtained the PESs that encompass only two intermolecular vibration coordinates and a fixed CS2 geometry. The results showed that the spectral pattern in the infrared region cannot be properly identified. Thus, construction of the PESs that involve the intramolecular vibration modes of CS2 is needed. Recently, we calculated a 3D PES of the Rg-CS₂ complex^{29,30} including the antisymmetric stretching Q3 coordinate of the CS2 monomer, and showed a good agreement with the experimental infrared data. In order to explore more detailed spectral information for Rg-CS₂, we further carried out the calculation of a four-dimensional PES of the Rg-CS₂ (ref. 31-33) complexes, which incorporates the Q_1 symmetric and Q_3 anti-symmetric stretching coordinates of CS_2 . We have successfully reported the 4D PESs for the complexes of the lighter rare gas atoms with CS₂ by this method. To our knowledge, the experimental and theoretical information in the $v_1 + v_3$ region are absent for Xe-CS₂.

In order to discover the trends and diversities among the Rg–CS₂ complexes, we present a reliable 4D PES for Xe–CS₂ with CS₂ in the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ region by applying the CCSD(T) method with the

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aug-cc-pVQZ basis set. This paper is arranged as follows: in Section II, we show the computational details that include *ab initio* and rovibrational energy levels. The discussion of the PES, the calculated rovibrational bound states, and the predicted infrared spectra are presented in Sections III–IV. Finally, a brief conclusion is given in Section V.

II. Computational details

A. Ab initio calculations

For the Xe–CS₂ dimer, the Jacobi coordinates (R, θ, Q_1, Q_3) are employed to describe the geometry. In the geometric variables, R denotes the intermolecular distance between the center of mass of CS₂ to the Xe atom, the angle of the vector R with respect to the CS₂ molecule is defined as θ . Q_1 and Q_3 are the normal mode coordinates, which describe the ν_1 symmetric stretching vibration and ν_3 antisymmetric stretching vibration of CS₂, respectively. Here, the intramolecular vibrational coordinates (Q_1, Q_3) can be simply defined as

$$Q_1 = (r_{\rm CS_1} + r_{\rm CS_2} - 2r_{\rm e}) / \sqrt{2}$$
 (1)

$$Q_3 = (r_{\rm CS_1} - r_{\rm CS_2}) / \sqrt{2} \tag{2}$$

where r_{CS_1} and r_{CS_2} mean the two C–S bond lengths of CS₂, r_{e} is the average bond length derived from experimental spectra data.³⁴ The two-dimensional Q_1 and Q_3 potential curves were computed at the CCSD(T) level to determine the energy levels and wave functions for the Q_1 and Q_3 modes. The coordinate scaling method³⁵ was employed to adjust the two-dimensional potential in order to reproduce the experimental frequencies for the fundamental band.³⁴ We generated 25 potential optimized discrete variable representation (PODVR)^{36,37} grid points corresponding to $Q_1 = -0.122411$, -0.044046, -0.027968, -0.101203, $-183772a_0$, $Q_3 = -0.245743$, -0.116813, 0.0, 0.116813, $0.245743a_0$ for the ground state, and $Q_1 = -0.139155$, -0.060791, 0.011220, 0.084454, $0.167022a_0$, $Q_3 = -0.247934$, -0.117859, 0.0, 0.117859, $0.247934a_0$ for the $v_1 + v_3$ ($v_1 = 1$, $v_3 = 1$) excited state.

The *ab initio* potential energies were computed for a total of about 9000 discrete points. A relatively dense grid was calculated with 27 values of R ranging from $5.50a_0$ to $24.00a_0$ and 13 points of θ from 0° to 180° at intervals of 15° . The four dimensional PES for Xe–CS₂ was performed using the CCSD(T)³⁸ method. The aug-cc-pVQZ basis set of Woon and Dunning³⁹ was used for carbon and sulfur atoms, and the quasirelativistic pseudopotential aug-cc-pVQZ-PP⁴⁰ basis set was used for the Xe atom, supplemented with an additional set of bond functions (3s3p2d1f1g).⁴¹ The full counterpoise procedure (FCP)⁴² was selected to correct the basis set superposition error (BSSE). The vibrationally averaged 2D potentials $V_{\nu_1+\nu_3}(R,\theta)$ were obtained by averaging the 4D potential over the Q_1 and Q_3 vibrational coordinates, which can be written as

$$V_{\nu_1+\nu_3}(R,\theta) =$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_{\nu_1+\nu_3}(Q_1,Q_3) V(R,\theta,Q_1,Q_3) \psi_{\nu_1+\nu_3}(Q_1,Q_3) dQ_1 dQ_3$$
 (3)

The cubic spline interpolation was employed to generate the averaged PESs for R and θ coordinates. The root-mean-square (rms) deviation is about 0.08 cm⁻¹ in the final fit. All calculations were carried out using the MOLPRO package.⁴³

B. Calculations of rovibrational energy levels

With the Born–Oppenheimer approximation, the vibrational averaged 2D intermolecular Hamiltonian of the Xe–CS $_2$ complex can be written as 44,45

$$\frac{\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2\mu} \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\partial R^2} + \frac{\hat{j}^2}{2I_{\nu_1 + \nu_3}} + (\hat{J} - \hat{j})^2}{2\mu R^2 + V_{\nu_1 + \nu_3}(R, \theta)} \tag{4}$$

where μ is the reduced mass of the Xe–CS₂ complex, \hat{J} and \hat{J} are the angular momentum operators for the total and monomer rotations. $I_{\nu_1+\nu_3}$ represents the vibrationally averaged rotational moment of the inertia of CS₂, which can be defined by the following equation,

$$I_{\nu_1+\nu_3} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_{\nu_1+\nu_3}(Q_1, Q_3) I_{Q_1+Q_3} \psi_{\nu_1+\nu_3}(Q_1, Q_3) dQ_1 dQ_3$$
 (5)

Based on the PES, the rovibrational Hamiltonian and wave functions were calculated with the radial DVR/angular FBR method. In our work, 120 sine-DVR grid points were used for the radial coordinate R. For the angular coordinate, we selected 90 DVR grids and 89 basis functions of associated Legendre polynomials. The Lanczos algorithm method was used to diagonalize the Hamiltonian matrix, and we selected 10 000 Lanczos iterations to obtain the eigenvalues and eigenvectors. For the angular part, the parity-adapted rotational basis for the three Euler angles (α, β, γ) can be written as

$$C_{KM}^{Jp}(\alpha,\beta,\gamma) = [2(1+\delta_{K0})]^{-1/2} [D_{MK}^{J*}(\alpha,\beta,\gamma) + (-1)^{J+K+p} D_{M-K}^{J*}(\alpha,\beta,\gamma)], \quad p = 0,1 \quad (6)$$

where $D_{MK}^{J}(\alpha,\beta,\gamma)$ were the normalized rotational functions for Xe–CS₂, the space-inversion parity p=0 or 1 illustrates that the basis is even or odd under inversion. The total parity was given by $(-1)^{J+P}$.

III. Potential energy surface

The contour plot of the vibrationally averaged 2D ν_1 + ν_3 excited state PES is showed in Fig. 1, which clearly displays that the global minimum is a T-shaped configuration at R=3.97 Å and $\theta=90.0^\circ$ with a well depth of 413.875 cm⁻¹. In addition, there are two equivalent linear local minima at R=5.56 Å and $\theta=0^\circ$ or 180° with a depth of 248.045 cm⁻¹. In our PES, between the two minima, there are two saddle points with an energy barrier of 187.997 cm⁻¹ relative to the global minimum, located at R=5.08 Å and $\theta=45^\circ$ or 135° . In order to compare the Xe–CS₂ complex with the other Rg–CS₂ complexes, the differences in the geometries and well depths between the Rg–CS₂ complexes have similar shapes, such as the T-shaped global minimum, two linear local minima, and two saddle points.

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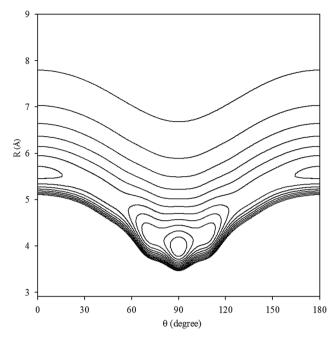


Fig. 1 Contour plot (in cm⁻¹) of the averaged intermolecular potential energy surface for Xe–CS₂ with CS₂ at the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ excited state.

However, there are some deviations among the Rg-CS₂ complexes. For example, the depth of the global and local minima become deeper from He-CS₂ to Xe-CS₂, which indicates the intermolecular interactions become stronger with the increasing mass of the rare gas atom. For another, the well depth of Xe-CS₂ is much larger than the other Rg-CS₂ complexes, which means the Xe atom is strongly hindered from free motion around the CS₂ molecule. In addition, the minimum energy distance gradually become larger from He-CS₂ to Xe-CS₂. Compared with the previous theoretical study of the potential, ⁵¹ the contour plots look almost the same as those for our work, and the positions and energies of the stationary points are shifted only slightly.

IV. Bound states of rovibrational energy levels and infrared spectra

Based on the potential, the energy levels of the bound states were calculated. In order to simplify our writing, we label the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ of CS₂ as the ν_5 vibrational state for Xe–CS₂. In Table 2, we display the first twenty pure vibrational bound states of the Xe–

Table 2 The calculated energy levels (in cm $^{-1}$) for the first twenty vibrational bound states of Xe-CS $_2$ with CS $_2$ at the ground and the ν_1 + ν_3 excited states

Ground state			v_5 state				
N		N		N		N	
0	-372.243	10	-276.947	0	-374.239	10	-278.046
1	-340.903	11	-275.624	1	-342.887	11	-276.971
2	-330.927	12	-273.955	2	-335.591	12	-275.602
3	-312.666	13	-266.022	3	-314.627	13	-266.029
4	-308.886	14	-258.545	4	-310.894	14	-259.381
5	-308.813	15	-257.516	5	-310.755	15	-259.247
6	-298.008	16	-256.517	6	-299.059	16	-256.907
7	-295.275	17	-252.014	7	-296.373	17	-253.608
8	-284.470	18	-251.523	8	-285.564	18	-253.276
9	-283.164	19	-245.973	9	-284.769	19	-246.196

 CS_2 complex for the ground and ν_5 states of CS_2 . As seen in Table 2, the first bound state for the v_5 state is -374.239 cm⁻¹, which reveals the zero-point energy is 39.636 cm⁻¹ relative to global minimum, only about one-tenth of the global well depths. Due to the deep well and high barrier for Xe-CS2, the bound states are much deeper than the other Rg-CS2 complexes. The $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ band origin shift is determined by $\Delta v = E_0^5 - E_0^{0,53}$ where E_0^{ν} are the ground state energies of Xe- CS_2 with the CS_2 monomer in the corresponding ν vibrational state. Meanwhile, we further predicted the infrared band origin shift of Xe-CS₂, which is -1.996 cm^{-1} indicating that is negative (red-shift) in sign and large in magnitude. In addition, the band origin shifts of the other Rg-CS₂ complexes^{26,29-33,51,52} are listed in Table 3, together with the Rg-CO₂ complexes.^{2,6} One can see that the tendency of the CS₂ shifts are similar to CO₂. Besides, the results indicate the lighter complexes (He, Ne) tend to positive (blue shifts), while the larger complexes (Ar, Kr, Xe) tend to negative (red-shifts). The predicted $v_1 + v_3$ band shift for $Xe-CS_2$ (-1.996 cm⁻¹) is larger than that for $Xe-CO_2$ (-1.447 cm⁻¹), revealing that Xe-CS₂ has a larger weakening of the vdW bond upon vibrational excitation in the $v_1 + v_3$ region.

In Fig. 2, we present the contour plots of the wave functions of $Xe-CS_2$ with CS_2 at the ground state. It is clear from Fig. 2 that the vibrational ground state is localized around the T-shaped global minimum. The first two vibrational excited states are characterized predominantly by bending and stretching vibrations, respectively, while the corresponding wave functions are distributed and exhibit a strong mixing between the bending and stretching vibration modes for the higher vibrational

Table 1 The stationary geometries (\mathring{A} and deg) and well depths (cm $^{-1}$) of Rg-CS $_2$ (Rg= He, Ne, Ar, Kr, Xe)

Rg-CS ₂	Global minimum	Local minimum	Saddle point
He-CS ₂ (ref. 31)	(3.36, 90, -52.68)	(5.00, 0/180, -32.11)	(4.56, 59/121, -21.39)
Ne-CS ₂ (ref. 33)	(3.44, 90, -104.35)	(5.03, 0/180, -67.15)	(4.56, 44/136, -51.12)
Ar-CS ₂ (ref. 32)	(3.68, 90, -279.77)	(5.26, 0/180, -173.47)	(4.92, 39/141, -146.75)
Kr-CS ₂ (ref. 52)	(3.76, 90, -367.06)	(5.39, 0/180, -226.16)	(4.92, 45/135, -203.49)
Xe-CS ₂ (ref. 51)	(3.97, 90, -414.77)	(5.56, 0/180, -243.66)	(5.08, 46/134, -224.37)
Xe-CS ₂	(3.97, 90, -413.88)	(5.56, 0/180, -248.04)	(5.08, 45/135, -225.88)

Table 3 The vibrational shifts of band origin for $Rg-CS_2$, compared with $Rg-CO_2$ (in cm^{-1})

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0.180 (ref. 26) 0.067 (ref. 26) -0.787 (ref. 51)	+0.228 (ref. 31) +0.251 (ref. 33) -0.049 (ref. 32) -1.236 (ref. 52) -1.996
(0.180 (ref. 26) 0.067 (ref. 26) 0.787 (ref. 51)

excited states. The calculated average distance $\langle R \rangle$ and the average angle $\langle \theta \rangle$ for the ground state are 3.99 Å and 87.85°, respectively, which is very close to the global minimum (R=3.97 Å and $\theta=90^\circ$). The radial dispersion $\sqrt{\langle R^2 \rangle - \langle R \rangle^2}$ and angular dispersion $\sqrt{\langle \theta^2 \rangle - \langle \theta \rangle^2}$ are 0.14 Å and 2.15°, respectively. Therefore, the ground state is rigid.

The rovibrational energies of Xe–CS₂ are labeled by the asymmetric rotor quantum numbers J_{KaKc} , where J denotes the total angular momentum, K_a and K_c represent the projections of J onto the a and c principal axes of inertia. The rovibrational energy levels consist of four blocks, (even/even), (even/odd),

(odd/even), and (odd/odd) for different combination parity of (j/p). The rovibrational energies of Xe–CS₂ for the vibrational ground and $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ excited states are shown in Table 4, and the total angular momentum I ranges from 0 to 5.

The rovibrational energy levels within $J \le 3$ are used to fit to a Watson asymmetric top Hamiltonian⁵⁴ employing the *a*-type reduction in the I^r representation,

$$H = \frac{1}{2}(B+C)J^{2} + \left[A - \frac{1}{2}(B+C)\right]J_{a}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(B-C)(J_{b}^{2} - J_{c}^{2})$$
$$- \Delta_{J}J^{4} - \Delta_{JK}J_{a}^{2}J^{2} - \Delta_{K}J_{a}^{4} - 2\delta_{J}J^{2}(J_{b}^{2} - J_{c}^{2})$$
$$- \delta_{K}\left[J_{a}^{2}(J_{b}^{2} - J_{c}^{2}) + (J_{b}^{2} - J_{c}^{2})J_{a}^{2}\right]$$
(7)

The fitted molecular spectroscopic constants for the Xe–CS₂ complex are given in Table 5. Because the energy levels for Xe–CS₂ at the ground state are almost equal to the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ excited state, the molecular parameters of the two states are very similar. The calculated inertial defects Δ_0 of this complex with CS₂ at the ground state and the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ excited state are around 1.07 amu Å² and 1.13 amu Å², respectively. For Rg–CS₂ (Rg = He, 31 Ne, 33 Ar, 32 Kr 52), the inertial defects Δ_0 in the ground state

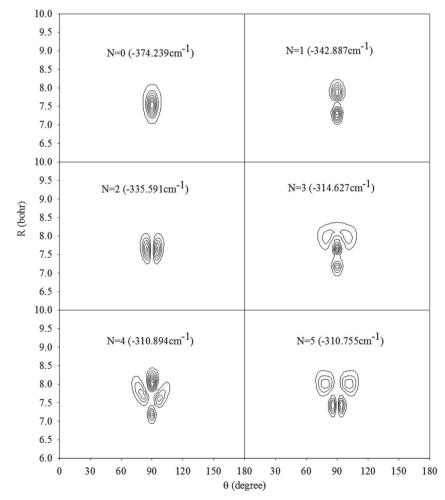


Fig. 2 Contour plots of the wave functions for the lowest six vibrational states of Xe-CS₂ with CS₂ at the $v_1 + v_3$ excited state.

Table 4 The rovibrational energy levels (in cm⁻¹) of Xe–CS₂ with CS₂ at the ground and $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ excited states

J	$E\left(\mathcal{J}_{KaKc} \right)$					
	Even/Even	Even/Odd	Odd/Even	Odd/Odd		
0	$-372.243 (0_{00})$					
1	(20)	$-372.203(1_{01})$	$-372.113(1_{10})$	$-372.116(1_{11})$		
2	$-372.122(2_{02})$	$-371.770(2_{21})$	$-372.040(2_{12})$	$-372.028(2_{11})$		
	$-371.769(2_{20})$	· · ·	•	• •		
3	$-371.649(3_{22})$	$-372.002(3_{03})$	$-371.902(3_{12})$	$-371.925(3_{13})$		
	• •	$-371.648(3_{21})$	$-371.207(3_{30})$	$-371.208(3_{31})$		
4	$-371.843(4_{04})$	$-371.488(4_{23})$	$-371.772(4_{14})$	$-371.734(4_{13})$		
	$-371.487(4_{22})$	$-370.430(4_{41})$	$-371.047(4_{32})$	$-371.046(4_{31})$		
	$-370.430(4_{40})$	(,	(= 2)	(0-)		
5	$-371.288(5_{24})$	$-371.644(5_{05})$	$-371.525(5_{14})$	$-371.580(5_{15})$		
	$-370.229(5_{42})$	$-371.284(5_{23})$	$-370.846(5_{32})$	$-370.846(5_{33})$		
	,	$-370.229(5_{41})$	$-369.436(5_{50})$	$-369.436(5_{51})$		
0	$-374.239(0_{00})$. ,				
1	(20)	$-374.199(1_{01})$	$-374.110(1_{10})$	$-374.114(1_{11})$		
2	$-374.119(2_{02})$	$-373.770(2_{21})$	$-374.037(2_{12})$	$-374.026(2_{11})$		
	$-373.770(2_{20})$	(= -7	(/	(,		
3	$-373.650(3_{22})$	$-373.999(3_{03})$	$-373.900(3_{12})$	$-373.923(3_{13})$		
	(/	$-373.649(3_{21})$	$-373.213(3_{30})$	$-373.214(3_{31})$		
4	$-373.839(4_{04})$	$-373.489(4_{23})$	$-373.770(4_{14})$	$-373.732(4_{13})$		
	$-373.487(4_{22})$	$-372.442 (4_{41})$	$-373.053(4_{32})$	$-373.052 (4_{31})$		
		(/	(=-/	(0.2)		
5	$-373.288 (5_{24})$	$-373.641(5_{05})$	$-373.522(5_{14})$	$-373.579(5_{15})$		
	$-372.241(5_{42})$	$-373.284(5_{23})$	$-372.851(5_{32})$	$-372.852(5_{33})$		
	(/	$-372.241(5_{41})$	$-371.456(5_{50})$	$-371.456(5_{51})$		
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Table 5 The calculated spectroscopic constants (in cm $^{-1}$) and the inertial defects Δ_0 (in amu Å 2) for the Xe–CS $_2$ complex with CS $_2$ at the ground and the ν_1 + ν_3 excited states

	Ground state	v_5 state
A	0.108321	0.107674
B	0.022038	0.022023
C	0.018291	0.018261
Δ_K	$-2.443 imes 10^{-7}$	-3.110×10^{-7}
Δ_{JK}	3.748×10^{-7}	$3.258 imes 10^{-7}$
$egin{array}{l} \Delta_{JK} \ \Delta_{J} \ \delta_{K} \end{array}$	4.563×10^{-6}	8.778×10^{-6}
δ_K	2.050×10^{-6}	$2.225 imes 10^{-6}$
δ_J Δ_0	9.176×10^{-9}	2.993×10^{-9}
Δ_0	1.07	1.13

were found to be 6.14, 3.09, 2.93, 2.32 amu Ų, respectively. The decrease in the inertial defects reveals that the vdW complexes are more rigid with the increase in the mass of the rare gas atom. The asymmetry parameter κ , $\kappa = (2B-A-C)/(A-C)$ (equal to -1 for the symmetric prolate top) is -0.917 and -0.916 for this complex with CS₂ at the ground and the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ excited states, respectively.

V. Conclusions

In this paper, a new four-dimensional potential energy surface for the $Xe-CS_2$ complex including the Q_1 and Q_3 normal modes was constructed. We calculated the intermolecular potential with five PODVR grid points for the Q_1 and Q_3 normal modes, respectively, using the CCSD(T) method with the aug-cc-pVQZ

basis set plus bond functions. Based on the *ab initio* potential points, two vibrationally averaged PESs of the Xe–CS $_2$ complex were generated. We found that each potential energy surface has a T-shaped global minimum and two equivalent local linear minima. The bound rovibrational energy levels of Xe–CS $_2$ were obtained by employing the radial DVR/angular FBR method and the Lanczos algorithm. The predicted band origin shift is $-1.996~\rm cm^{-1}$. Meanwhile, we found that the Rg–CS $_2$ complexes have very similar features. For example, each PES is characterized by a T-shaped global minimum. For another, the regularities were represented among the complexes from He–CS $_2$ to Xe–CS $_2$. It is expected that the work on the Rg–CS $_2$ complexes in the $\nu_1 + \nu_3$ region of CS $_2$ should be useful for further theoretical and experimental studies.

Conflicts of interest

There are no conflicts to declare.

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