

organotin hydrides increases with increasing numbers of organic groups attached to the tin atom.¹⁵ The halostannanes SnH_3X , $\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{or I}$, however, are much less stable than SnH_4 and decompose upon sublimation at -35°C .¹⁶ Therefore, it was of some interest to attempt the preparation of CF_3SnH_3 as the trifluoromethyl group can be likened to an organic group since the linkage is through carbon, yet the ligand is very electronegative (more electronegative than Cl^{17}). The experimental evidence indicates that a volatile tin compound is formed, a compound that decomposes faster than SnH_4 and has a chemical shift more deshielded than that of ClSnH_3 ($\delta(\text{SnH}_3\text{Cl})$ 6.93¹⁶). Taken with the mass spectral data, which indicate $\text{CF}_3\text{SnH}_n^+$, SnFH_n^+ , and SnH_n^+ , these results argue strongly for the formation of CF_3SnH_3 , but the compound is clearly less stable than stannane. Presumably the fact that the (trifluoromethyl)germanium hydrides are easily synthesized and stable for weeks at ambient temperatures^{10,18} while the tin-containing analogues are not is a reflection of the relative electronegativities of the two central elements.

In summary the sealed-tube reactions between SnBr_4 and $(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{Hg}$ are a very convenient method of preparing the (trifluoromethyl)tin bromides CF_3SnBr_3 and $(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{SnBr}_2$ if the appropriate times and temperatures are used. However, outside of the relatively narrow temperature ranges established here the yields drop dramatically. Further substitution of trifluoromethyl groups is also indicated, but the trisubstituted compound decomposes almost immediately. The reaction of the bromides with stoichiometric amounts of CH_3Li or $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Cd}$ converts these compounds to the mixed methyl-(trifluoromethyl)tin compounds virtually quantitatively. On the basis of the yields and availability of the reagents, the present preparation of the alkyl(perfluoromethyl)tin compounds is the most convenient synthesis known. (Trifluoromethyl)stannane appears to be much less stable than SnH_4 , as are the stannyl halides.

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Registry No. CF_3SnBr_3 , 65094-19-1; $(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{SnBr}_2$, 65094-20-4; $\text{CF}_3\text{Sn}(\text{CH}_3)_3$, 754-25-6; $(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, 65059-36-1; $\text{Sn}(\text{CH}_3)_4$, 594-27-4; $\text{CF}_3\text{SnBr}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, 72244-71-4; $\text{CF}_3\text{SnBr}_2\text{CH}_3$, 72251-81-1; $(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{Hg}$, 371-76-6; SnBr_4 , 7789-67-5; $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Cd}$, 506-82-1; CH_3Li , 917-54-4; CF_3SnH_3 , 72244-72-5; SnH_4 , 2406-52-2.

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Synthesis and Properties of Chlorine(I) and Bromine(I) Trifluoromethanesulfonates and Raman Spectra of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{X}$ ($\text{X} = \text{F}, \text{OH}, \text{OCl}$)

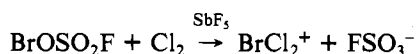
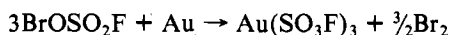
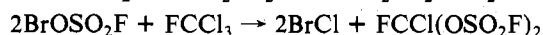
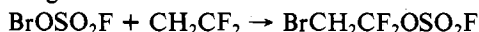
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The synthesis and characterization of the new hypohalites $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{Cl}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{Br}$ are described. Both compounds are thermally unstable at 22°C , decomposing to CF_3Cl and SO_3 for the hypochlorite and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{CF}_3$, $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OSO}_2\text{OCF}_3$, SO_3 and Br_2 for the hypobromite. The hypochlorite is prepared by reaction of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ with ClF and the hypobromite by reaction of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{Cl}$ with bromine. The low-temperature Raman spectrum of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{Cl}$ suggests C_1 symmetry and assignments of 20 of the expected 21 fundamentals are given. These assignments were aided by an analysis of the Raman spectra of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, which are reported for the first time.

Introduction

Halogen derivatives of strong oxyacids contain the halogen in a formal positive oxidation state.^{3,4} These +1 compounds are then very useful sources of the electrophiles Cl^+ , Br^+ , and I^+ . The potential of such compounds is apparent by considering one of the better characterized examples, BrOSO_2F . This reactive compound undergoes electrophilic addition to olefins, substitutive electrophilic dehalogenation reactions with various chlorides and bromides, and one-electron oxidation by Br^+ with metals and serves as a source of Br^+ in the formation of polyhalogen cations.³



Clearly any new compound with properties similar to those

of BrOSO_2F would be immediately useful in synthesis.

Halogen(I) derivatives of several strong monoprotic acids have been prepared. These include HOSO_2F (Cl ,⁵ Br ,⁶ I), HOClO_3 (Cl ,⁸ Br), HOSeF_5 (Cl , Br , I),¹⁰ HOTeF_5 (Cl , Br , I)¹¹ and HONO_2 (Cl ,¹² Br).¹³ Not all of these compounds have good thermal stability and none have been investigated to the same extent as BrOSO_2F . One very strong acid, for which only the iodine compound is known, is $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$.¹⁴ This acid and its organic derivatives (triflates) have been extensively investigated since its discovery in 1954.^{15,16}

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However, due to the lack of a suitable strong, synthetically useful oxidizing agent containing the CF_3SO_3 group, the synthesis of many desired compounds is difficult or impossible at the present time. We therefore undertook the synthesis of $\text{BrOSO}_2\text{CF}_3$ and $\text{ClOSO}_2\text{CF}_3$.¹⁷

This paper reports the synthesis and characterization of XOSO_2CF_3 ($\text{X} = \text{Cl}$ and Br) and an analysis of the Raman spectrum of the hypochlorite. No previous assignments for a simple covalent CF_3SO_3 derivative were available, and the related compounds $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ were also examined. Previous attempts to obtain the Raman spectrum of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ were unsuccessful due to very strong fluorescence. This problem was avoided in our work by careful elimination of organic impurities.

Experimental Section

General Procedure. All work was carried out in Pyrex and stainless steel vacuum systems equipped with glass-Teflon or stainless steel valves. Pressures were measured with a Wallace and Tiernan differential pressure gauge, Series 1500. Temperatures were measured by using a digital copper-constantan thermocouple. Quantities of reactants and products were measured either by direct weighing or by PVT measurements with the assumption of ideal gas behavior.

Routine IR spectra were taken on a Perkin-Elmer 337 spectrometer at 5–100 torr. A 10-cm Pyrex glass cell fitted with AgCl windows was employed. IR spectra for assignment were taken on a Perkin-Elmer 180 spectrometer at 5–15 torr. Raman spectra were taken with a Spex 14018 double monochromator with photon-counting detection. Excitation was via the 515.4-nm line of an Ar^+ ion laser using 150–350 mW of power. Depolarization ratios were determined by method IV as described by Claassen et al.¹⁸ A low-temperature glass cell similar to that described by Brown et al. was used to record the low-temperature spectra.¹⁹ The cell was cleaned thoroughly with $\text{Na}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7/\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ before use with $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$. No hydrocarbon materials were allowed to contact the sample area.

Unless otherwise noted, NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian XL-100-15 spectrometer using 20–15 mol % solutions in CFCl_3 . Spectra were at 94.1 MHz for F with CFCl_3 as an internal reference.

Molecular weights were determined by vapor density measurements using a calibrated Pyrex bulb fitted with a glass-Teflon valve. Determinations were made on successive fractions of each sample.

Melting points were taken in a Pyrex tube fitted with a glass-Teflon valve. The compound was pumped under vacuum onto the wall of the tube cooled by liquid N_2 forming a crystalline ring. The tube was placed in an ethanol bath, which was cooled to -112°C prior to the measurement and then warmed slowly with proper agitation.

Vapor pressures and boiling points of the products were measured by a static method. Equations describing pressure as a function of temperature were obtained by a least-squares fit of the data to both linear and quadratic equations, and the best fit is reported.

For further purifications, the reaction products were separated via GLC on a Victoreen Series 4000 gas chromatograph equipped for gas injection, TCD, and low-temperature collection. A 2 ft \times $3/8$ in. column packed with 40% Halocarbon 11-21 polymer oil on acid-washed Chromosorb P was used in most cases.

Reagents. $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ was obtained from Aldrich Chemical Co. and was purified by distillation. Bromine was dried over P_4O_{10} and distilled before using. Chlorine monofluoride was prepared by heating equimolar amounts of Cl_2 and F_2 at 250°C in a Monel bomb and was taken out of the bomb at -111°C to prevent contamination by ClF_3 and unreacted Cl_2 . Fluorine was obtained from Air Products and was passed through a NaF scrubber before use.

Preparation of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$. The compound was prepared many times in varying amounts. A typical procedure is described. $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ was vacuum transferred through a short glass connection into a \sim 15 mL Kel-F reactor cooled to -196°C and fitted with a 304 stainless

steel valve. The exact amount of acid was determined by weighing the container before and after transfer. The reactor containing 10.0 mmol of acid was then warmed to 22°C so that the acid liquefied. It was then cooled to -196°C and ClF (11.0 mmol) was added from an all stainless steel vacuum line. The mixture was then warmed slowly from -111 to -78°C (\sim 6 h) and held at -78°C until all the solid acid was gone and the contents consisted of two liquid layers (\sim 8 h). The lower layer, canary yellow in color, is $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ and the upper colorless layer is HF. The contents were then pumped on at -78°C into a Kel-F trap at -196°C . When essentially no further volatile material was collected, the remaining pale yellow liquid was essentially pure $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$. Measurement of the HF removed by weight, after removing other volatiles at -111°C , indicated the reaction was quantitative within experimental error.

$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$: pale yellow to colorless crystals, mp -84.0 to -83.0°C ; ^{19}F NMR (-40°C neat) 73.5 (s) (external CFCl_3); Raman at ca. -78°C , see Results and Discussion.

The decomposition of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ was carried out by attaching a Kel-F reactor to a glass vacuum system of 1250 mL volume. The $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ (2.23 mmol) was allowed to stand for 2 days, during which time the pressure increased to 48 torr. The contents of the line and reactor were then pumped into a trap at -196°C and separated through traps at -111 and -196°C . The -111°C trap contained a white solid presumed to be SO_3 on the basis of its appearance and considerable experience in handling SO_3 , and the -196°C trap contained 2.20 mmol of CF_3Cl (mol wt 105.1, calcd 104.5) with an IR spectrum indistinguishable from that of a pure, known sample of CF_3Cl .

Preparation of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$. This compound was prepared many times and a typical procedure is described. Onto $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ (5.0 mmol) at -196°C in a \sim 15-mL Kel-F reactor was condensed Br_2 (2.5 mmol) by vacuum transfer. The reactor was placed in a -60°C bath and shaken by hand. Immediate evolution of Cl_2 was apparent and the liquid phase turned from yellow to a dark red-brown. The latter became more viscous with time and solidified after \sim 2 h. The reaction was then warmed to -20°C with shaking. The liquid phase became wine red and the evolution of additional Cl_2 was evident. After 2 h, the reactor was cooled to -78°C and pumped on through a trap at -196°C . After a few minutes, the reactor was closed again, warmed to -20°C for a few minutes, and recooled to -78°C and pumping was continued for \sim 30 min. This resulted in a yellow crystalline solid at -78°C and Cl_2 (2.5 mmol) in the trap. The latter was measured by reaction with a weighed amount of Hg.

$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$: yellow crystalline solid, wine red liquid, mp -27.0 to -26.0°C ; ^{19}F NMR (-20°C neat) 73.3 (s) (external CFCl_3); no Raman or IR spectra were successfully recorded.

Decomposition of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$ (3.52 mmol) was carried out in the same way as $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$. After 20 h, no further pressure increase was noted (initial pressure increase was rapid). The contents of the line and reactor was then pumped into a trap at -196°C . The total volatile material corresponded to 3.53 mmol. Some nonvolatile white solid (SO_3) remained in the -196°C trap. The volatiles were condensed onto Hg, and 1.76 mmol of Br_2 was removed. The remaining 1.77 mmol was separated by passing through traps at -80 and -196°C . The -80°C trap contained 0.18 mmol of a new compound identified as $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCF}_3$. The -196°C trap contained 1.56 mmol of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCF}_3$ and a trace of CF_3Br .

$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCF}_3$: bp 19.9°C ; mp -106.0 to -105.0°C ; mol wt found 218.7, calcd 218.0; IR 1465 (s), 1280 (sh, s), 1260 (vs), 1230 (vs), 1148 (sh, s), 1135 (vs), 955 (s), 790 (m), 760 (w), 607 (w), 540 (vw), 505 (vw) cm^{-1} ; ^{19}F NMR ϕ^* 74.3 (q, CF_3S), ϕ^* 53.6 (q, OCF_3) ($J_{\text{FF}} = 3.5$ Hz); $\Delta H_{\text{vap}} = 6.99$ kcal/mol; $\Delta S_{\text{vap}} = 23.9$ eu; $\log P$ (torr) = $8.0958 - 1528.1/T$. These data are in substantial agreement with that reported by Nofhle and Cady (bp 21.1°C , mp \sim -108.2°C).²⁰

$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCF}_3$: mol wt found 297.9, calcd 298.0; IR 1485 (s), 1464 (s), 1290 (s), 1270 (vs), 1250 (vs), 1151 (vs), 1143 (sh, s), 974 (s), 810 (m), 790 (vs), 770 (s), 750 (sh, m), 615 (m), 595 (m), 561 (w), 539 (vw), 510 (m) cm^{-1} ; ^{19}F NMR ϕ^* 72.9 (s, CF_3S), ϕ^* 56.1 (s, OCF_3).

Results and Discussion

Synthesis and Properties of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OX}$ ($\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$). The new hypohalites $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$ are prepared

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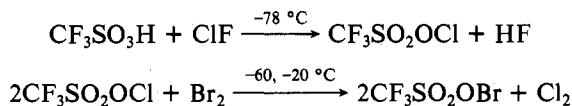
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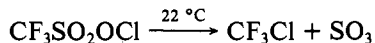
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in high yield by the following low temperature reactions.

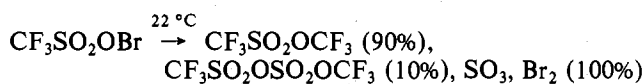


Both are thermally unstable at 22 °C with $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr} \ll \text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$. The thermal decomposition is straightforward for the hypochlorite, yielding CF_3Cl and SO_3 as the only products.

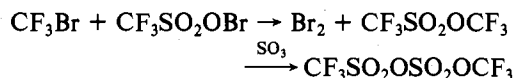
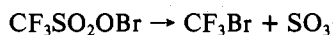


The decomposition is mildly exothermic as is evident when a pure liquid sample of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ is warmed to 22 °C in a Kel-F container. After a short time, the nearly colorless liquid begins to reflux.

The decomposition of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$ is more complex. Essentially no CF_3Br is detected and the products are SO_3 , $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCF}_3$, $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OSO}_2\text{OCF}_3$, and Br_2 .

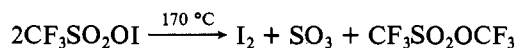


This decomposition may initially form CF_3Br and SO_3 , which are utilized in subsequent reactions to form the observed products.



The formation of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCF}_3$ in this way has been demonstrated independently.²¹ On the other hand, CF_3Cl has been shown not to react with $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$.²¹ Thus the two decompositions are probably analogous, but for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$ the primary decomposition products may undergo secondary reactions.

The three halogen(I) derivatives of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ form an interesting series. The iodine compound is a relatively high melting solid (mp 122 °C) and is said to be thermally stable to 170 °C¹⁴. Clearly this stability, when compared to $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$, is high and must be due to stabilization via polymerization as suggested by Dalziel and Aubke from their IR spectra.¹⁴ The ultimate thermal decomposition of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OI}$ is similar to that of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$.



This polymerization in the case of the iodine compound renders the compound less useful for synthetic purposes.

The reactivity of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OX}$ (X = Cl, Br) is high. They add to a variety of olefins by a stereospecific cis addition²² and undergo substitutive electrophilic dehalogenation reactions like FSO_2OBr with a variety of organic²¹ and inorganic substrates.²³ As was anticipated, many new trifluoromethanesulfonates can be prepared and the ultimate scope of this reaction is under active investigation. In all respects, the reactivity of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OX}$ (X = Cl, Br) appears to parallel that of FSO_2OBr . In the first synthesis of FSO_2OBr from $\text{S}_2\text{O}_6\text{F}_2$ and Br_2 , the compound was described as a red-black liquid. This was subsequently found to be due to a bromine impurity and probably formation of the unstable $\text{Br}_3\text{OSO}_2\text{F}$.^{6,24} Bro-

mine(I) trifluoromethanesulfonate is similar. When free of Br_2 , it is a clear wine red liquid. When contaminated with small amounts of Br_2 , it is a dark red-brown liquid. In all probability, $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}_3$ is formed and is responsible for the striking color change.

Chlorine(I) trifluoromethanesulfonate is remarkably electrophilic. It is considerably more reactive than FSO_2OCl , undergoing reactions with many alkyl halides at low temperature whereas FSO_2OCl must be heated in some cases. With CF_2Cl_2 , $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ reacts above -50°C , whereas FSO_2OCl required heating at 80°C .^{4,25} Chlorine(I) trifluoromethanesulfonate even adds to SF_4 ,²³ whereas FSO_2OCl was unreactive.²⁶ This greater reactivity may be due to a more pronounced Cl^+ character in the trifluoromethanesulfonate but no direct evidence can be presented for this at the present time.

The spectroscopic characterization of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OBr}$ is limited at the present to its ¹⁹F NMR spectrum. Attempts to record the low-temperature Raman spectrum were unsuccessful due to the strong absorption of laser light by the colored compound. Wavelengths up to 620 nm were ineffective in surmounting this problem. Its infrared spectrum could not be recorded due to its instability and reactivity with window materials (KCl or AgCl). For $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ the low-temperature Raman spectrum was readily obtained and is discussed in the following section. The IR spectrum of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ was obtained at 22 °C, but decomposition and rapid attack of the window materials (KCl or AgCl) made the observed frequencies uncertain. This did not prove to be a problem, since 20 of 21 fundamentals were observed in the Raman spectrum.

Analysis of the Raman Spectra of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{X}$ (X = F, OH, OCl). In order to assign the Raman spectrum of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$, it was desirable to have available a related series of compounds. The only compounds for which any detailed studies had been attempted were various ionic salts of CF_3SO_3^- and several compounds such as $\text{I}(\text{OSO}_2\text{CF}_3)_3$ and $\text{Rb}[\text{I}(\text{OSO}_2\text{CF}_3)_4]$.¹⁴ The complexity of the observed spectra of the latter precluded comparison with the simple, covalent $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$, and large differences might be expected in going from a covalent $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{O}^-$ to CF_3SO_3^- . We therefore undertook an investigation of the Raman spectra of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ to aid in the assignment of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$. In addition to aiding in the assignment of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$, $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ suggested a resolution for conflicting assignments for the CF_3SO_3^- ion.

$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$. $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, a pseudoisoelectronic pair differing in mass by only two units, have, as liquids, very similar Raman spectra from 0 to 1500 cm^{-1} (Figure 1). Frequency, relative intensity, and polarization data are presented in Table I along with the proposed assignment based on C_s symmetry overall but local C_{3v} symmetry for the CF_3 group. $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ would have an $\text{SO}(\text{H})$ stretch replacing the SF stretch of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and the additional stretching, bending and torsional modes of the OH group. However, the OH stretch would be outside the 0–1500- cm^{-1} range and the OH torsion would probably be too weak and broad to observe. The OH bend might be expected in the 1000–1200- cm^{-1} region by analogy to H_2SO_4 , $\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, FSO_2OH , and ClSO_2OH ²⁷ and SF_5OH .²⁸

The only band present in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ with no counterpart for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$, a polarized band at 1122 cm^{-1} , is assigned to the SOH bend. The symmetric and antisymmetric SO_2

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Table I. Infrared and Raman^{a,b} Data and Assignment of Fundamentals for CF₃SO₂F, CF₃SO₂OH, and CF₃SO₂OCl

CF ₃ SO ₂ I ^c Raman	CF ₃ SO ₂ OH ^{c,d}			CF ₃ SO ₂ OCl ^c			FSO ₂ OCl ^e			description ^f and symmetry ^g		
	IR ^d	Raman		CF ₃ SO ₂ ⁻ OD IR ^d	CF ₃ SO ₂ OCl ^c Raman		IR	Raman			C _s	C _i
		IR ^d	IR ^d		IR ^d	IR ^d		IR ^d	IR ^d			
1467	3050	~3000	w	p?	2320	1435	6	0.78	1478	5	1.0	ν(OH)
1270	2390	~2300	w	?	1810	1241	35	0.21	1225	45	0.10	ν _{as} (SO ₂)A'' ν _s (SO ₂)A' ν _d (CF ₃)E
~1235 sh	1420	1400	4	0.82	1420	~1226	?	dp?				ν _{as} (CF ₃)A'' ν _{as} (CF ₃)A' ν _s (CF ₃)A'
	1256	1244	19	0.22	1256	~1139	?					
	1220	~1232	~3	?		1125	23	0.14				
1140	1156	~1152 sh	~4		1156	821	29	0.53	856	15	0.40	ν _s (CF ₃)A ₁ δ(SOH)A' ν(SO(X))A' ν(SF)A' δ _s (CF ₃)A ₁ ν(OCl)A' δ(SO ₂ bend)A' δ _d (CF ₃)E
829	930	930	13	0.12	930	771	40	0.45	830	15	0.60	δ(SO(H) wag)A' δ(SF wag)A' δ(SO ₂ rock)A'' δ(SO(Cl) wag)A' δ(SCF ₃ wag)A'
771	778	775	100	<0.06	778	685	100	0.29	706	100	0.15	
611	622	620	4	0.31	622	594	10	0.21	573	7	p	
564	572	570	23	0.91	572	556	12	0.55				δ _{as} (CF ₃)A'' δ _{as} (CF ₃)A'
488	500	499	4	0.82	500	499	4	0.79	486	45	0.65	
463	478 sh	478 sh	~2	0.89		411	57	0.53	534	7	1.0	
333	340	340	≤26	≤0.82 ^c		336	≤30	≤0.62 ^c	363	80	0.37	
not obsd or	not obsd or	not obsd or	?	dp ^c		336	?	?	389	6	1.0	
333	340	340	?	dp ^c		321	48	0.70				ρ(CF ₃)A'
301	312	312	79	<0.33		302	52	0.45	212	25	0.50	ν(CS)A' δ(SOCl)A' ρ(CF ₃)E
196	201	201	2	~1.0		198	?	?				ρ(CF ₃)A'' 2τ(OCl) τ(OCl)
						184	9	0.48				
						~90	~2	~1.0 ^f				

^a All observed frequencies are in cm⁻¹. Abbreviations used are as follows: w, weak; m, medium; s, strong; vw, very weak; vs, very strong; sh, shoulder; p, polarized; dp, depolarized. ^b Raman data are listed in the order frequency in cm⁻¹, relative intensity on a scale where the most intense band is 100, and depolarization ratio or designation as polarized or depolarized. Depolarization ratio measurements were made by method IV of Claassen, Selig, and Shamir (*Appl. Spectrosc.* 1969, 23, 8) for CF₃SO₂F, CF₃SO₂OH, and CF₃SO₂OCl. The numbers reported are really *R* rather than *ρ_s* in the notation of Table I of Claassen, Selig, and Shamir since *f* has not been measured for the Spex 14018 double monochromator used in this work. ^c Raman data from this work for CF₃SO₂F, CF₃SO₂OH, and CF₃SO₂OCl as pure liquids near -78, -20, and -78 °C, respectively. In each case a single band near 335 cm⁻¹ is assigned to δ(SCF₃ wag)A'. The data are as follows: CF₃SO₂F, 333 cm⁻¹, 19.5, 0.71; CF₃SO₂OH, 340 cm⁻¹, 26, 0.82; and CF₃SO₂OCl, 336 cm⁻¹, 30, 0.62. The δ(SO₂ twist) mode either is too weak to observe or is degenerate with δ(SCF₃ wag)A'. If δ(SO₂ twist) and δ(SCF₃ wag) are degenerate, then δ(SF₃ wag)A' may be expected to contribute most of the intensity and to be weakly polarized so that its depolarization ratio is less than the observed value. For CF₃SO₂F and CF₃SO₂OH δ(SO₂ twist)A' is expected to be depolarized and for CF₃SO₂OCl δ(SO₂ twist)A' need not be depolarized but may be expected to be less polarized than δ(SCF₃ wag)A'. ^d IR data of Balicheva, Ligas, and Fialkov³⁰ for pure liquid at room temperature. ^e IR and Raman data of Qureshi, Levchuk, and Abuke⁴² and Abuke and DesMarteau.³ ^f Some discussion of the descriptions of some of the modes has been given elsewhere.^{33,36,43,48-51} ^g CF₃SO₂F and CF₃SO₂OH are assumed to possess C_{3v} symmetry overall but local C_s symmetry for the CF₃ group. CF₃SO₂OCl is assumed to possess only C_i symmetry overall but local C_s symmetry for the CF₃ group.

Table II. Summary of Observed Frequencies (cm^{-1}) below 1500 cm^{-1} for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}^a$ Fundamentals

$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ Raman ^d	$\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$		$\text{CF}_3\text{-SO}_2\text{OD}$ IR	description ^b and symmetry ^c C_s
	IR	Raman ^d		
1467 dp	1420	1400 dp	1400	$\nu_{\text{as}}(\text{SO}_2)A''$
1270 p	1256	1244 p	1256	$\nu_{\text{s}}(\text{SO}_2)A'$
~1235 dp	1220	~1232 ?	1220	$\nu_{\text{d}}(\text{CF}_3)E$
1140 p	1156	~1152 ?	1156	$\nu_{\text{s}}(\text{CF}_3)A_1$
		1122 p		$\delta(\text{SOH})A'$
829 p	930	930 p	930	$\nu(\text{SF})/\nu(\text{SO(H)})A'$
771 p	778	775 p	778	$\delta_{\text{s}}(\text{CF}_3)A_1$
611 p	622	620 p	622	$\delta(\text{SO}_2 \text{ bend})A'$
564 dp	572	570 dp	572	$\delta_{\text{d}}(\text{CF}_3)E$
488 wp	500	499 wp	500	$\delta(\text{SF wag})/\delta(\text{SO(H) wag})A'$
463 dp		478 sh, dp		$\delta(\text{SO}_2 \text{ rock})A''$
333 wp		340 wp		$\delta(\text{SCF}_3 \text{ wag})A'$
not obsd or		not obsd or		} $\delta(\text{SO}_2 \text{ twist})A''$
333 dp		340 dp		
301 p		312 p		$\nu(\text{CS})A'$
196 d		201 dp		$\rho(\text{CF}_3)E$

^a For detailed information see Table I including its footnotes.

^b Some discussion of the descriptions of some of the modes has been given elsewhere.^{35,38,43,48-51} ^c $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ are assumed to possess C_s symmetry overall, but local C_{3v} symmetry for the CF_3 group. ^d Abbreviations are as follows: p, polarized; dp, depolarized; wp, weakly polarized.

stretches assigned at 1467 and 1270 cm^{-1} , respectively, for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ are higher than those for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ at 1400 and 1244 cm^{-1} , respectively, due to the higher electronegativity of F over OH.²⁹ The CF_3 group, which should provide the remaining bands above 1000 cm^{-1} , is assumed to follow C_{3v} selection rules due to free rotation along the CS bond. The symmetric CF_3 stretch is assigned to the polarized band at 1140 cm^{-1} in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and to the shoulder at $\sim 1152 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ on the SOH bend at 1122 cm^{-1} in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$. The very weak depolarized shoulder at $\sim 1235 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, on the symmetric SO_2 stretch at 1270 cm^{-1} , in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ is assigned to the degenerate CF_3 stretch. Analogously, the degenerate CF_3 stretch is assigned to the weak band suggested to be present at $\sim 1232 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, on the side of the symmetric SO_2 stretch at 1244 cm^{-1} , in a perpendicular polarization scan of $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$.

The infrared data of Balicheva, Ligus, and Fialkov³⁰ for liquid $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ and liquid $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OD}$ near room temperature became consistent with our assignment by reversal of their CF stretch and symmetric SO_2 stretch assignments. Our assignment for the $1000\text{--}1500\text{-cm}^{-1}$ region is summarized in Table II.³¹

The region $700\text{--}1000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ is expected to contain only two modes. Several compounds with CF_3S groups have a strong polarized Raman band near 750 cm^{-1} .³²⁻³⁴ Although this band

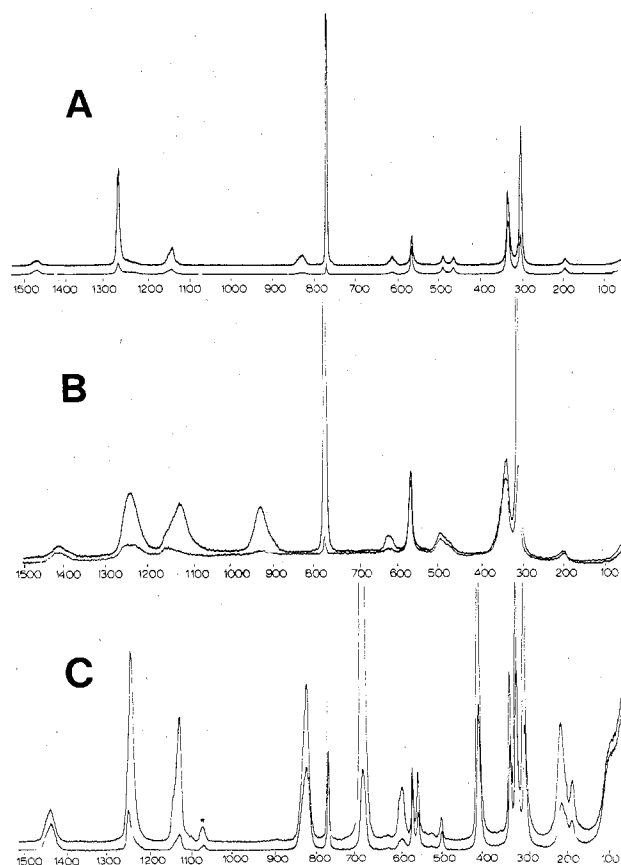


Figure 1. Raman spectra of the liquid $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ at $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (A), $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ at $-20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (B), and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ at $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ (C). The band near 1070 cm^{-1} (C) marked with an asterisk is due to SO_2 impurity.

is usually labeled as a symmetric CF_3 deformation, normal-coordinate analyses of the CF_3SO_3^- ion by both Miles, Doyle, Cooney, and Tobias³³ (MDCT) and Burger, Burczyk, and Blaschette³⁴ (BBB) show more CF_3 and CS stretching character in this mode than CF_3 deformation character. For both $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, the most intense and highly polarized bands in the Raman spectra at 771 and 775 cm^{-1} , respectively, are labeled as the symmetric CF_3 deformation. However, in spite of the fact that we follow the usual practice of labeling a band as the symmetric CF_3 deformation, we believe that the mode responsible for the strong polarized Raman band near 775 cm^{-1} is a far more complex motion than a symmetric CF_3 (umbrella) deformation.³⁵ For $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$

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 (31) The absence of an IR band at $\sim 1120 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ due to the SOH bend in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ is most probably due to a different extent of hydrogen bonding and consequent different SOH bend frequency between room temperature where the IR data were recorded and near $-20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ where the Raman spectra were recorded. If the local C_{3v} symmetry of the CF_3 group were broken to the extent that the degenerate CF_3 stretch were split, then an additional polarized Raman band would be expected in the $1100\text{--}1300\text{-cm}^{-1}$ region. One might assign the 1122-cm^{-1} polarized Raman band in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ as an asymmetric CF_3 stretch of A' symmetry under C_s symmetry rather than the SOH bend. But then it is difficult to understand why such a band is not observed for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ if the cause of the band is the removal of the C_{3v} local symmetry of the CF_3 group. It is, of course, possible that the local C_{3v} symmetry of the CF_3 group is broken but the band is too weak to observe or is so weakly polarized and so slightly shifted that it is not distinguishable from the bands at ~ 1232 and $\sim 1235 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$, respectively. However, we base our analysis on the assumption that the CF_3 group retains its local C_{3v} symmetry in both compounds.

- (32) (a) Griffiths, J. E. *Spectrochim. Acta, Part A* **1967**, *23*, 2145 (CF_3SF_3). (b) Carter, H. A.; Wang, C. S.; Shreeve, J. M. *Spectrochim. Acta* **1973**, *29*, 1479 (CF_3SCF_3 , $\text{CF}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{CF}_3$, CF_3SSCF_3). (c) Borrajo, J.; Varetto, E. L.; Aymonino, P. J. *J. Mol. Struct.* **1975**, *29*, 163 (CF_3SH). (d) Kirschmerer, R. L.; Shreeve, J. M. *Inorg. Chem.* **1975**, *14*, 2431 ($\text{CF}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{F}$, $\text{CF}_3\text{S}(\text{O})\text{Cl}$). (e) Burger, H.; Pawelke, G.; Haas, A.; Willner, H.; Downs, A. J. *Spectrochim. Acta, Part A* **1978**, *34*, 287 ($(\text{SCF}_3)_3\text{N}$). (f) Holmes-Smith, R. D.; Stobart, S. R. *Inorg. Chem.* **1979**, *18*, 538 (SCF_3GeH_3 , $(\text{SCF}_3)_2\text{GeH}_2$, $\text{SCF}_3\text{GeH}_2\text{GeH}_3$).
 (33) Miles, M. G.; Doyle, G.; Cooney, R. P.; Tobias, R. S. *Spectrochim. Acta, Part A* **1969**, *25*, 1515 ($\text{Na}[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]$, $\text{Ba}[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]_2$).
 (34) Burger, H.; Burczyk, K.; Blaschette, A. *Monatsh. Chem.* **1970**, *101*, 102 ($\text{Ag}[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]$).
 (35) It is reasonable that the symmetric CF_3 stretching, symmetric CF_3 (umbrella) deformation, and CS stretching symmetry coordinates for a CF_3S group of local C_{3v} symmetry may couple strongly in these compounds to form a normal coordinate similar to the result of BBB³⁴ for CF_3SO_3^- . It may well be that no CF_3S containing compound has any normal mode that is a symmetric CF_3 (umbrella) deformation group frequency in the sense of having 66% or more contribution to the calculated frequency from one diagonal force constant.³⁶
 (36) Fuhrer, H.; Kartha, V. B.; Kidd, K. G.; Kruger, P. J.; Mantsch, H. H. *NRC Bull.* **1976**, *No. 15*, 189-92.

the polarized Raman band at 930 cm^{-1} is assigned to the SO(H) stretching mode as are the IR bands in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OD}$ at 930 cm^{-1} . For $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$, the analogous mode to SO(H) stretching in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ is SF stretching which is assigned to the polarized Raman band at 829 cm^{-1} .

For a CF_3 group of local C_{3v} symmetry, the degenerate CF_3 deformation and CF_3 rocking modes remain. The regions expected for these weak depolarized bands are $515\text{--}560$ and $215\text{--}310\text{ cm}^{-1}$, respectively.^{32a,c,37} The depolarized bands at 564 and 570 cm^{-1} in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, respectively, are assigned to the degenerate CF_3 deformation. The only weak depolarized Raman bands near the expected range of $215\text{--}310\text{ cm}^{-1}$, at 196 and 201 cm^{-1} in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, respectively, are assigned to the degenerate CF_3 rock.

Although the CS stretching mode has been assigned from 450 to 500 cm^{-1} in several molecules containing CF_3S groups,^{32b-c} a medium to strong polarized Raman band near 325 cm^{-1} has been assigned to $\nu(\text{CS})$ in CF_3SF_5 ^{32a} and the CF_3SO_3^- ion.^{33,34} The normal-coordinate analyses of the CF_3SO_3^- ion by MDCT³³ and BBB³⁴ both show this mode to have significant CF_3 and SO_3 deformation contributions. The second most intense bands, both polarized, in the Raman spectra at 301 and 312 cm^{-1} for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, respectively, are labeled as the CS stretching mode. However, in spite of the fact that we label a band as CS stretching, we believe that the mode responsible for the strong polarized Raman bands near 310 cm^{-1} is a more complex motion.³⁸

The four bands remaining unassigned for each compound must be due to five remaining modes of an XSO_2Y system. These may be classified as follows under C_s symmetry:³⁹ XSY deformation (A'), SO_2 bend (A'), SO_2 twist (A''), SO_2 rock (A''), and SO_2 wag (A'). An alternative description,⁴⁰ which we will adopt, is to use SX wag (A') and SY wag (A') rather than XSY deformation (A') and SO_2 wag (A'). In either description under C_s symmetry, there will be three polarized (A') modes and two depolarized (A'') modes. The fact that three of the four observed bands appear to be depolarized is an anomaly. However, the data for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ suggest an explanation. The four frequencies and their depolarization ratios are: 611 cm^{-1} and 0.23 , 488 cm^{-1} and 0.83 , 463 cm^{-1} and 0.92 , and 333 cm^{-1} and 0.71 . Taking the apparently depolarized band with the lowest depolarization ratio as being an overlap of a weakly polarized and a depolarized pair of bands gives a fifth frequency. An alternative possibility is that the band corresponding to one of the depolarized modes is too weak to observe. In either case, the observed band with the next lowest depolarization ratio is taken as weakly polarized. For $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ the following list results: 611 cm^{-1} (p), 488 cm^{-1} (wp), 463 cm^{-1} (dp), 333 cm^{-1} (wp). The fifth frequency is either not observed or is 333 cm^{-1} (dp).

Assignments for these five frequencies are made to be consistent with the following XSO_2Y cases: FSO_2F ,^{39,41}

FSO_2OH ,²⁷ HOSO_2OH ,^{27a} DOSO_2OD ,^{27a} FSO_2Cl ,^{39,40} HOSO_2Cl ,²⁷ FSO_2Br ,⁴¹ ClSO_2Cl ,^{39,41} FSO_2OF ,^{3,42} FSO_2OCl ,^{3,42} FSO_2OBr ,³ and FSO_2OI .³ For the two depolarized modes, the SO_2 rock has been assigned to a higher frequency than the SO_2 twist in all cases. Consequently, we assign 463 cm^{-1} as the SO_2 rock, and the SO_2 twist either is not observed or is 333 cm^{-1} . For FSO_2Y compounds with $\text{Y} = \text{OH}$,^{27a,b,42} Cl ,^{39,40} Br ,⁴¹ OF ,^{3,42} OCl ,^{3,42} OBr ,³ and OI ,³ the SF wag has been assigned in the range $308\text{--}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$ with all but two in the range $385\text{--}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$. Consequently, we assign 488 cm^{-1} as the SF wag. For these same FSO_2Y cases, the SO_2 bend has always been assigned as the highest of the five XSO_2Y system frequencies and in the range $555\text{--}627\text{ cm}^{-1}$. Consequently, we assign the SO_2 bend to the polarized band at 611 cm^{-1} . The remaining weakly polarized band at 333 cm^{-1} is assigned to the SCF_3 wag consistent with the SCF_3 wag in CF_3SF_5 being assigned at 320 cm^{-1} .^{32a} If these assignments are extended to the analogous bands for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ with the SF wag in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ becoming an SO(H) wag in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, the summary shown in Table II can be made for all the bands below 1500 cm^{-1} .⁴³ No bands assignable to the CF_3 torsion were observed.

Our data and assignments for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ are of particular interest due to the discrepancy between the results of Miles, Doyle, Cooney, and Tobias³³ (MDCT) for $\text{Na}[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]$ and Ba $[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]_2$ and Burger, Burczyk, and Blaschette³⁴ (BBB) for $\text{Ag}[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]$. Although both groups report strong IR bands in the $630\text{--}650\text{-cm}^{-1}$ range for the three solid salts, BBB observe a strong polarized Raman band at 635 cm^{-1} in aqueous $\text{Ag}[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]$ but MDCT do not report any Raman bands between 600 and 700 cm^{-1} for aqueous $\text{Na}[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]$ and Ba $[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3]_2$. Consequently, BBB and MDCT are led to make different assignments for the CF_3 and SO_3 deformations. Both groups support their results by adopting analogous conflicting assignments for $\text{CCl}_3\text{SO}_3^-$ salts.

On the basis of our $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ assignments, the BBB assignments for the SO_3 and CF_3 deformations of the CF_3SO_3^- ion are strongly favored.⁴⁵ Table III presents our assignments for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ and the CF_3SO_3^- and $\text{CCl}_3\text{SO}_3^-$ and $\text{CCl}_3\text{SO}_3^-$ salt data of BBB and MDCT. For CF_3SO_3^- and $\text{CCl}_3\text{SO}_3^-$ salts we retain the assignments of BBB except for a reversal of $\nu_d(\text{SO}_3)$ and $\nu_d(\text{CF}_3)$ for CF_3SO_3^- .⁴⁶ The changes in as-

(37) (a) Burger, H.; Cichon, J.; Demuth, R.; Grobe, J. *Spectrochim. Acta, Part A* **1973**, *29*, 943 (CF_3SH , CF_3SD , CF_3SeH , CF_3SeD). (b) Burger, H.; Eujen, R. *Ibid.* **1975**, *31*, 1645 (CF_3GeX_3 , $\text{X} = \text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$). (c) Wahi, P. K.; Patel, N. D. *Can. J. Spectrosc.* **1977**, *22*, 88 (CF_3SeH , CF_3SeD).

(38) It is reasonable that the mode responsible for these bands involves CS stretching, CF_3 deformation, and possibly some kind of SO_2X deformation motion in analogy to the result of BBB³⁴ for CF_3SO_3^- . It is probably true that there is no normal mode in these compounds that is a CS stretching group frequency in the sense of having 66% or more contribution to the calculated frequency from one diagonal force constant.³⁶

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(41) Gillespie, R. J.; Robinson, E. A. *Can. J. Chem.* **1961**, *39*, 2171.

(42) Qureshi, A. M.; Levchuk, L. E.; Aubke, F. *Can. J. Chem.* **1971**, *49*, 2544.

(43) Alternate notation for some of the modes is possible. Our $\delta(\text{SO}_2$ bend) would be called $\delta(\text{SO}_2$ scissors) by some authors. Our $\delta(\text{SO}_2$ rock) is a motion in the SO_2 plane using the convention of Morino and Shimanouchi.⁴⁴ Some authors would call this mode $\delta(\text{SO}_2$ in-plane). In addition coupling effects may be present which would make other descriptions more appropriate for some modes. For the two bands between 300 and 350 cm^{-1} a description suggested by a referee is $\delta(\text{CF}_3\text{--S in-plane})$ and $\delta(\text{CF}_3\text{--S out-of-plane})$. In the absence of additional information, we have chosen to retain our description of $\delta(\text{SCF}_3$ wag) and $\nu(\text{CS})$ with proper qualification of the latter.³⁸ However, the nature of the modes responsible for the bands between 300 and 350 cm^{-1} must remain uncertain.

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Table III. Infrared and Raman^{a,b} Data and Assignment of Fundamentals for CF₃SO₂OH and Several CX₃SO₃⁻ Salts

IR	CF ₃ SO ₂ OH ^c			Na[CF ₃ SO ₃] ^e			Na[CCl ₃ SO ₃] ^e			description ^f and symmetry ^j								
	Raman		IR	Raman		IR	Raman		IR									
	Ag[CF ₃ SO ₃] ^d	Ba[CF ₃ SO ₃] ^e		Ba[CF ₃ SO ₃] ^e	Ba[CCl ₃ SO ₃] ^e													
1420	4	0.82	1270 vsb	1280 vs, vbd	1285	22	0.79	1290	1253 vs	1260 s, bd	35	0.95	1250	35	0.95	ν ₄ (SO ₃)E	ν _{4s} (SO ₂)A''	
1256	19	0.22								1232 s ₁ , bd			814	66	0.94 ^h	ν ₃ (CX ₃)E	ν _{2s} (SO ₂)A'	
1220	~3	?	1167 s	1168 s	1188	16	1.31	1180	802 vs	812 s ^h			413	100	0.24	ν ₂ (CX ₃)A ₁		
1156	~4	?	1237 s	1232 m	1230	29	0.60		420 w	410 s, bd						ν ₂ (CX ₃)A ₁		
	13	0.12															δ(SOH)A'	
930	13	0.09	1038 vs	1036 s	1038	100	0.10	1036 s	1078 vs	1066 s			1060	65	0.27	ν ₂ (SO ₃)A ₁	ν(SO(H))A'	
778	775	100	<0.06	767 m	766	41	0.08	771 m	255 m				247	97	0.83 ^h	δ _s (CX ₃)A'	δ _s (CX ₃)A'	
622	620	4	0.31	646 vs	635 sp			637 s	629 vs	616 s			621	9	0.50	δ _s (SO ₃)A ₁	δ(SO ₂ bend)A'	
572	570	23	0.91	582 m	582 w			592 s	272 vw				261	97	0.83 ^h	δ _d (CX ₃)E		
500	499	4	0.82	521 s	531 s			530 s	548 s	544 s			548	16	1.08	δ _d (SO ₃)E	δ(SO(H)wag)A'	
	478 sh	~2	0.89	515 s	513 s			513 s								δ(SO ₂ rock)A''		
	340	<26	<0.82 ^c															
	340	not obsd or		351 m	353	61	0.81	358 m	352 m	333 m			339	53	0.96	ρ(SO ₃)E	δ(SCF ₃ wag)A'	
	312	?	dp ^c										829	66	0.94 ^h	ν(CS)A ₁	δ(SO ₂ twist)A''	
	201	79	<0.33	319 m	321	73	0.50	327 m	834 m	812 s ^h			177	43	dp	ρ(CX ₃)E		

^a All observed frequencies are in cm⁻¹. Abbreviations used are as follows: w, weak; m, medium; s, strong; vw, very weak; vs, very strong; sh, shoulder; bd, broad; vbd, very broad; p, polarized; dp, depolarized. ^b Raman data are listed in the order frequency in cm⁻¹, relative intensity on a scale where the most intense band is 100, and depolarization ratio or designation as polarized or depolarized. ^c IR data from ref 30, Raman data from this work (pure liquid near -20 °C) where the band at 340 cm⁻¹ with relative intensity 26 and depolarization ratio 0.82 is assigned to δ(SF₃ wag)A'. The δ(SO₂ twist) mode is either too weak to observe or is degenerate with δ(SCF₃ wag). If δ(SO₂ twist) and δ(SCF₃ wag) are degenerate, then δ(SCF₃ wag) would be expected to contribute most of the intensity and have a depolarization ratio <0.82 and δ(SC₂ twist)A'' would be expected to make a small contribution to the intensity and be depolarized. ^d IR and Raman data of MDCT.³³ Raman data from aqueous solution and IR data from Nujol mull below 1100 cm⁻¹ and CsI pellet above 1100 cm⁻¹. ^e IR and Raman data of MDCT.³³ Raman data from aqueous solution and IR data from mulls. ^f IR data of BBB.³⁴ A combination of Nujol mull data below 500 cm⁻¹ and from 800 to 1000 cm⁻¹ and CsI pellet data from 500 to 700 cm⁻¹ and above 1000 cm⁻¹. ^g The IR data of BBB³⁴ for Ba[CCl₃SO₃]₂ in a Nujol mull show four bands below 200 cm⁻¹, ~190 (w), 182 (s), and 114 (s) cm⁻¹, while in a CsI pellet only one band, 187 (s) cm⁻¹, is observed. The best agreement with the Raman data of MDCT³³ for Na[CCl₃SO₃] with a depolarized band at 177 cm⁻¹ for Ba[CCl₃SO₃]₂ in a Nujol mull and CsI pellet, respectively. However, the normal coordinate analysis of BBB suggests 135 cm⁻¹ for ρ(CX₃)E, a result that seems more reasonable than ρ(CCl₃) near 180 cm⁻¹ since ρ(CF₃)E is not far above 200 cm⁻¹ in Ag[CF₃SO₃] and Na[CF₃SO₃]. ^h The IR data show a single band at 812 cm⁻¹ which we assign to both ν₄(CX₃)E and ν(CS)A₁. The Raman data show overlapping bands at 829 and 814 cm⁻¹ where the total band system has relative intensity 66 and depolarization ratio 0.94. Using the suggestion of the normal coordinate analysis of BBB,³⁴ we assigned 829 cm⁻¹ as ν(CS)A₁ and 814 cm⁻¹ as ν₄(CX₃)E, with the expectation that ν(CS)A₁ is the larger contributor to the intensity and is weakly polarized while ν₄(CX₃)E is depolarized. The Raman band system of 247 and 261 cm⁻¹ has a total relative intensity of 97 and depolarization ratio of 0.83 with the 247-cm⁻¹ component polarized and the 261-cm⁻¹ component depolarized. ⁱ Some discussion of the description of the modes for CF₃SO₂OH has been given elsewhere.^{35,38,43,48-51} ^j The CX₃SO₃⁻ salts are assumed to possess C_{3v} symmetry while CF₃SO₂OH is assumed to possess C_s symmetry overall but local C_{3v} symmetry for the CF₃ group.

signment for the data of MDCT do avoid some of the disturbingly high depolarization ratios for overlapping A_1 and E modes in the original assignments of MDCT.⁴⁷ We offer Table III as the most reasonable and consistent accounting of the data presently available for CF_3SO_2OH and the $CF_3SO_3^-$ and $CCl_3SO_3^-$ salts.

CF_3SO_2OCl . The Raman spectrum of liquid CF_3SO_2OCl is far more complex than that of CF_3SO_2F or CF_3SO_2OH (Figure 1). The number of bands which are definitely polarized rules out all but C_1 symmetry overall. The complexity of the spectrum of CF_3SO_2OCl compared to CF_3SO_2OH is due to reducing the local C_{3v} symmetry of the CF_3 group to either C_s or C_1 in addition to the OCl stretch falling within the 0–1500- cm^{-1} region and the OCl torsion possibly being observable. Frequency, relative intensity, and polarization data are presented in Table I along with the proposed assignment based on C_1 symmetry overall but local C_s symmetry for the CF_3 group. These assignments were made by analogy to CF_3SO_2OH and CF_3SO_2F for many of the modes and FSO_2OCl ^{3,42} for the modes involving the $SOCl$ fragment.

The frequency region 725–1500 cm^{-1} should contain three CF stretching modes, two SO_2 stretches, the $SO(Cl)$ stretch, and the symmetric CF_3 deformation.⁴⁸ The antisymmetric and symmetric SO_2 stretches and symmetric CF_3 deformation are assigned at 1435 and 1241 cm^{-1} and 771 cm^{-1} , respectively, by analogy to CF_3SO_2OH . The symmetric CF_3 stretch is assigned to the band at 1125 cm^{-1} by analogy to CF_3SO_2OH (and CF_3SO_2F) and on the basis of the relatively high intensity. The two asymmetric CF_3 stretches are assigned to weak shoulders at ~ 1226 cm^{-1} on the symmetric SO_2 stretch at 1241 cm^{-1} and ~ 1139 cm^{-1} on the symmetric CF_3 stretch at 1125 cm^{-1} . The degenerate antisymmetric CF_3 stretch in C_{3v} local symmetry, from which these two modes are split in C_s symmetry, had been assigned to a weak band at ~ 1232 cm^{-1} on the side of the symmetric SO_2 stretch at 1244 cm^{-1} in CF_3SO_2OH . The remaining band at 821 cm^{-1} must be assigned to the $SO(Cl)$ stretch. In CF_3SO_2OH the analogous $SO(H)$ stretch is much higher at 930 cm^{-1} , but in FSO_2OCl the $SO(Cl)$ stretch is at 856 cm^{-1} in satisfactory agreement with 821 cm^{-1} and of comparable relative intensity and polarization.⁴⁹

The frequency region 400–725 cm^{-1} by analogy to CF_3SO_2OH and FSO_2OCl would contain the OCl stretch, the SO_2 bend and rock, and two CF_3 deformations. The most intense band in the Raman spectrum of CF_3SO_2OCl at 685 cm^{-1} is assigned to the OCl stretch in good agreement with 706 cm^{-1} for that mode in FSO_2OCl .⁴⁹ The band at 594 cm^{-1} for CF_3SO_2OCl is assigned to the SO_2 bend. The SO_2 bends in CF_3SO_2F and CF_3SO_2OH are at 611 and 620 cm^{-1} , respectively, and all three bands have similar band shapes. The SO_2 bend in FSO_2OCl is at 573 cm^{-1} with comparable relative intensity to the 594- cm^{-1} band of CF_3SO_2OCl .

The two CF_3 deformations, of A'' and A' symmetry in C_s , are assigned at 569 and 556 cm^{-1} . These two bands have shapes similar to that of the 570- cm^{-1} band in CF_3SO_2OH assigned to the degenerate CF_3 deformation in C_{3v} local symmetry which would split under C_s symmetry. The fact that the 569- cm^{-1} band appears to be depolarized supports retention of local C_s symmetry by the CF_3 group. The SO_2 rock is assigned to the band at 499 cm^{-1} in CF_3SO_2OCl . The corresponding bands in CF_3SO_2F , CF_3SO_2OH , and FSO_2OCl are at 463, 478, and 534 cm^{-1} , respectively. The 499- cm^{-1} band of CF_3SO_2OCl and the 534- cm^{-1} band of FSO_2OCl have comparable relative intensities.

The band for CF_3SO_2OCl at 411 cm^{-1} is the second most intense band in the Raman spectrum and the most intense band below 500 cm^{-1} . The 411- cm^{-1} band of CF_3SO_2OCl is assigned to the $SO(Cl)$ wag by analogy to FSO_2Cl where the second most intense band in the Raman spectrum and the most intense band below 500 cm^{-1} at 363 cm^{-1} is assigned as the $SO(Cl)$ wag.⁵⁰

Seven bands in the region 0–400 cm^{-1} complete the Raman spectrum of liquid CF_3SO_2OCl . The modes remaining to be assigned are the SCF_3 wag, the SO_2 twist, two CF_3 rocks, the CS stretch, the $SOCl$ bend, and the OCl torsion. Reduction of the local symmetry of the CF_3 group from C_{3v} to C_s splits the degeneracy of the CF_3 rock and may dramatically change the Raman intensity. For CF_3 groups bonded to sulfur, reduction of local symmetry from C_{3v} to C_s replaces a weak depolarized band in the 215–310- cm^{-1} region^{32a,c,37a} by a medium to very strong polarized band near 300 cm^{-1} and a weak depolarized band near 200 cm^{-1} .^{32b,d} Thus a CF_3 rock, the SCF_3 wag, and CS stretch are candidates for the three prominent bands between 300 and 350 cm^{-1} in the Raman

(46) Lowering the C_{3v} symmetry of the SO_2 segment of the $CF_3SO_3^-$ ion to the C_s symmetry of the SO_2 group in XSO_2Y splits $\nu_d(SO_2)$ into $\nu_s(SO_2)$ and $\nu_{as}(SO_2)$. Extending to $\nu_d(SO_3)$ in $CF_3SO_3^-$ the concept that $\nu_s(SO_2)$ and $\nu_{as}(SO_2)$ and their average in an XSO_2Y system increase with the electronegativity of Y at constant X ²⁹ suggests the sequence $CH_3SO_3^-$ 1193 cm^{-1} , $CCl_3SO_3^-$ 1250 cm^{-1} , and $CF_3SO_3^-$ 1285 cm^{-1} using the Raman data of MDCT for $Na[CF_3SO_3]$. However, both BBB and MDCT assign $\nu_d(SO_3) < 1200$ cm^{-1} and $\nu_d(CF_3) > 1200$ cm^{-1} in the $CF_3SO_3^-$ ion. For CF_3SO_2F and CF_3SO_2OH , $\nu_{as}(SO_2)$ is more intense than $\nu_d(CF_3)$ in our Raman spectra, consistent with the 1285- cm^{-1} band being more intense than the 1188- cm^{-1} band in the Raman spectra of MDCT for $Na[CF_3SO_3]$. Although BBB do list $\nu_d(CF_3) > \nu_d(SO_3)$ in their Table 3, they have found in their normal-coordinate analysis that either $\nu_d(CF_3) > \nu_d(SO_3)$ or the reverse is in good agreement with frequencies calculated from two different chemically plausible sets of force constants. We consider that the weight of the evidence presented here favors $\nu_d(CF_3) < \nu_d(SO_3)$ for the $CF_3SO_3^-$ ion.

(47) The original assignment of MDCT has the following three cases where a single band or a system of two overlapping bands assigned to the overlap for an A_1 mode and an E mode has a disturbingly high depolarization ratio: $\delta_s(SO_2)$ and $\delta_d(SO_2)$ at 580 cm^{-1} with 0.88 in $CF_3SO_3^-$; $\delta_s(SO_2)$ and $\delta_d(SO_2)$ at 548 cm^{-1} with 1.08 in $CCl_3SO_3^-$; and $2\nu_s(CCl_3)$ and $\nu_{as}(CCl_3)$ at 829/814 cm^{-1} with 0.94 in $CCl_3SO_3^-$. The assignment shown in Table III does retain the third problem since 829 cm^{-1} is now $\nu(CS)A_1$ and 814 cm^{-1} is $\nu_d(CCl_3)E$. However, the first two difficulties are removed. In addition the low intensity of the Raman band at 621 cm^{-1} in $Na[CCl_3SO_3]$ is surprising for its original assignment to $\nu(CS)$ by MDCT but plausible for $\delta_s(SO_3)$ as assigned in Table III.

(48) For a CF_3S group of local C_s symmetry it is reasonable that the symmetric CF_3 stretching, symmetric CF_3 (umbrella) deformation and CS stretching symmetry coordinates may couple strongly to form a complicated normal coordinate as in $CF_3SO_3^-$.^{34,35} For CF_3SO_2OCl there is probably no normal mode that is a symmetric CF_3 (umbrella) deformation group frequency.^{35,36}

(49) In CF_3SO_2OH $\nu(SO)$ and $\nu(OH)$ would be essentially uncoupled. However, as pointed out by a referee, in CF_3SO_2OCl $\nu(SO)$ and $\nu(OCl)$ would probably couple strongly so that the 821- and 685- cm^{-1} bands would be more accurately described by $\nu_{as}(SOCl)$ and $\nu_s(SOCl)$, respectively. An analogous situation probably occurs in FSO_2OCl .

(50) A referee has suggested that the 411- cm^{-1} band in CF_3SO_2OCl be assigned to $\delta(SOCl)$ rather than $\delta(SCF_3)$ wag. The high intensity of the bands at 411 and 363 cm^{-1} in CF_3SO_2OCl and FSO_2OCl , respectively, makes such an assignment for CF_3SO_2OCl and its extension to the FSO_2OX series data of Aubke and DesMarteau³ attractive. We believe the two most intense bands below 500 cm^{-1} in the Raman spectra of the liquid FSO_2OX compounds are most reasonably assigned as the $\delta(SO(X)$ wag) and the $\delta(SOX)$ modes. The frequencies (cm^{-1}) and relative intensities in parentheses for FSO_2OX , where $X = F, Cl, \text{ or } Br$, and for CF_3SO_2OCl are as follows (all bands are polarized): FSO_2OF 395 (40), 242 (30); FSO_2OCl 363 (80), 212 (25); FSO_2OBr 317 (100), 175 (40); CF_3SO_2OCl 411 (57), 211 (20). Since the $\delta(SOX)$ mode should have the larger extent of X atom motion, its frequency should show the larger percentage decrease with increasing mass of the X atom providing the force constants do not change in such a way as to alter this expected trend. Consequently, the lower frequency band is selected as $\delta(SOX)$ or at least as having the larger contribution from an SOX bending motion. Then the higher frequency band is selected as $\delta(SO(X)$ wag). We recognize that complex coupling effects may be operating here and that the higher frequency band might have a larger SOX bending contribution than the lower frequency band. It is also possible that there is no mode which has SOX bending as its major contributor but that the referee's description is closer to the truth than ours. However, with the current state of information we prefer to retain the assignment consistent with the FSO_2OX assignments of Aubke and DesMarteau³ rather than revise the FSO_2OX assignments without results from a normal-coordinate analysis to provide additional insight.

spectrum of liquid $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$.

The band at 336 cm^{-1} for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ is assigned to the SCF_3 wag by analogy to this same assignment for the bands at 333 and 340 cm^{-1} in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, respectively.⁴³ The SO_2 twist for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ either is too weak to observe or is degenerate with the SCF_3 wag at 336 cm^{-1} . The SO_2 twist in FSO_2OCl is assigned to a weak band at 389 cm^{-1} . The band at 302 cm^{-1} for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ is assigned to the CS stretch by analogy to $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ where the CS stretch is assigned at 301 and 312 cm^{-1} , respectively.^{38,43} Then the band at 321 cm^{-1} in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ can be assigned to the CF_3 rock of A' symmetry for C_s . It would, of course, be possible to reverse our CS stretch and CF_3 rock assignments. The bands are of almost equal intensity (the third and fourth most intense bands in the Raman spectrum) with the 302-cm^{-1} band being slightly more intense and having the lower depolarization ratio. It seems reasonable for the CS stretch,^{38,43} which would be polarized in any case, to have a lower depolarization ratio than the CF_3 rock which is depolarized in C_{3v} local symmetry but becomes polarized under C_s local symmetry. Consequently, we have chosen this assignment.⁵¹

(51) In $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$, coupling could occur among three modes giving bands between 300 and 350 cm^{-1} so the situation could be even more complex than in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$. However, in the absence of further information we prefer to retain our description of $\delta(\text{SCF}_3)$ and $\nu(\text{C-S})$ with proper qualification of the later³⁸ as done in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$ ⁴³ and list the band at 321 cm^{-1} as a CF_3 rock.

The band at 211 cm^{-1} in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$ seems too intense for a CF_3 rock of A'' symmetry under C_s local symmetry and is assigned to the SOCl bend.⁵⁰ A band at 212 cm^{-1} with very similar relative intensity is so assigned in FSO_2OCl .⁵⁰ Either the band at 184 cm^{-1} or the shoulder at $\sim 198\text{ cm}^{-1}$ must be the CF_3 rock. The shoulder on the Rayleigh line near 90 cm^{-1} must surely be a torsion. Since no evidence for a band assignable to the CF_3 torsion was obtained for $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ or $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OH}$, we assume the CF_3 torsion is too weak to observe and assign 90 cm^{-1} as the OCl torsion. Although no OCl torsion has been found in FSO_2OCl , an OF torsion is assigned at 137 cm^{-1} in FSO_2OF .^{3,42} Since the 184-cm^{-1} band is near twice 90 cm^{-1} and $\Delta\nu = 2$ transitions for torsions may be more prominent than $\Delta\nu = 1$ transitions,⁵² we tentatively assign the 184-cm^{-1} band as $2\tau_{\text{OCl}}$. Then the shoulder near 198 cm^{-1} remains to be assigned to the CF_3 rock of A'' symmetry for local C_s symmetry of the CF_3 group in $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{OCl}$.

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Infrared and Raman Spectra of Ammonium, Potassium, Rubidium, and Cesium Metavanadates

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The infrared and Raman spectra of five metavanadates, MVO_3 ($M = \text{NH}_4, \text{ND}_4, \text{K}, \text{Rb}, \text{Cs}$), have been measured. The observed bands for KVO_3 in the aqueous solution were assigned to the vibrations of the $(\text{VO}_3)_n^{n-}$ ionic chain with C_{2v} symmetry. The vibrational assignments to the chain in the crystalline salts were given tentatively by taking into consideration a different arrangement of atoms in the chain from that in aqueous solution. The internal vibrations of the ammonium ions in NH_4VO_3 and ND_4VO_3 at 77 and 100 K were also discussed. The rule of alternative inhibition has been adapted to the librations of the ammonium ions at 77 K .

In the previous paper,¹ the far-infrared spectra of five metavanadates, MVO_3 ($M = \text{NH}_4, \text{ND}_4, \text{K}, \text{Rb}, \text{Cs}$), were reported with the discussions concerning the bending vibrations of the VO_3 anion chain, the cation translations, and the NH_4^+ librations. It was suggested that these salts have similar force constants for the translational modes of the cations. According to the X-ray analyses of NH_4VO_3 and KVO_3 ,² the unit cell in a crystal with space group $Pmab-D_{2h}^{11}$ contains four MVO_3 molecules including four equivalent cations, and the VO_3 anions constitute a chain arrangement in which the VO_4 groups are tetrahedral. Few vibrational studies for the anion chain are found in the literature.^{3,4}

In order to investigate the fundamental vibrations of the anion chain, we measured the infrared and Raman spectra of the powdered salts at room temperature. Since the stereochemical structure of the VO_4 tetrahedral chain in aqueous solution has been assumed to be different from that in crystal,⁵ the spectra of the aqueous solution were also examined for KVO_3 , which is soluble in water. This paper deals with the assignments for these observed bands. Internal motions and librations of the ammonium ions are also discussed for the spectra of NH_4VO_3 and ND_4VO_3 measured at room and low temperatures.

Experimental Section

The materials measured were NH_4VO_3 , ND_4VO_3 , KVO_3 , RbVO_3 , and CsVO_3 , all of which were prepared as previously reported.¹ Infrared spectra were measured with a Perkin-Elmer Model 125

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