# Infrared Spectroscopic Studies on Metal Carbonyl Compounds. Part XVII.<sup>1</sup> A Comparative Study of the Vibrational Spectrum of Ditechnetium Decacarbonyl and of the Decacarbonyls of Manganese and Rhenium in the C-O Stretching Region

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The i.r. spectra of the  $M_2(CO)_{10}$  carbonyls (M = Mn, Tc, or Re) have been reinvestigated in the C-O stretching region with special emphasis on the weak isotopic bands. In the case of the Mn compound the effects of isotopic enrichment have also been examined. The i.r.-inactive  $(A_1, E_2, and E_3)$  fundamentals were calculated from the isotopic satellites and the results agree within  $\pm 1$  cm<sup>-1</sup> with recent Raman data. For the technetium compound no Raman study seems to exist and thus the  $A_1$  (2123 and 1999 5 cm<sup>-1</sup>),  $E_2$  (2029 cm<sup>-1</sup>), and  $E_3$  (1990 5 cm<sup>-1</sup>) frequencies reported here are the first data on these i.r.-inactive modes. The force and interaction constants of all three decacarbonyls have been calculated in a C-O factored force field without a priori neglections.

Both the equatorial and the axial C-O force constants of  $Tc_2(CO)_{10}$  [16:642 and 16:316 mdyn Å<sup>-1</sup>, respectively (1 mdyn  $Å^{-1} = 10^2 \text{ N m}^{-1}$ )], are the highest in the triad, whereas most of its interaction constants have intermediate values between those of  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  and  $Re_2(CO)_{10}$ . For  $Re_2(CO)_{10}$  the effect of the eclipsed configuration ( $D_{4h}$ ) on the eq... eq' interaction constants has also been studied.

SINCE the appearance of the first papers on i.r. spectra of carbonyl compounds enriched with isotopically labelled carbon monoxide <sup>2-5</sup> the usefulness of isotopic frequencies for rendering the force constant problem more soluble has been fully recognized.6

After having established the behaviour of the isotopic ' satellites ' with numerous enrichment studies <sup>2-7</sup> we can now in many cases identify unequivocally the natural  $v(^{13}C-O)$  bands, and use them. Two excellent papers of this character preceding the enrichment studies have been published.8,9

The assignment of the C-O stretching modes and calculation of the force constants in  $M_2(CO)_{10}$  compounds has been attempted with M = Mn in three papers,<sup>9-11</sup> with M = Re in two,<sup>10,11</sup> and one highly simplified treatment <sup>10</sup> exists for Tc<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>.

One of us isotopically enriched Mn<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub> and made a preliminary report<sup>12</sup> of the assignment of the i.r.inactive  $(A_1, E_2, \text{ and } E_3)$  C-O stretching modes, and

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Concerning the force and interaction constants the most significant discrepancies are in the values of the  $K_{ax}$  constants and of the  $ax \cdots ax'$  interactions. The latter ones have near zero values in the paper of Wozniak and Sheline, whereas our zero values in the paper of Wozniak and Sheline, whereas our values fall into the same region  $(0.17-0.20 \text{ mdyn Å}^{-1})$  as the geminal *cis* equatorial, and the indirect *cisoid*  $eq \cdots eq'$  inter-actions. We consider our values more probable, being in better agreement with our supposition of two different mechan-isms of the CO  $\cdots$  CO' interactions. We feel that while the  $eq \cdots eq'$  type interactions are governed by a 'through-space' dipolar mechanism, the *trans*  $ax \cdots ax'$  ones are due to a direct conduction of the electronic effects through the linear (OC)-M=M-(CO) sequence. Additional studies are needed to clarify M-M-(CO) sequence. Additional studies are needed to clarify these divergencies.

gave the complete set of force and interaction constants obtained on this basis in the framework of a C-Ofactored force field.

A subsequent Raman-spectroscopic study by Adams et al.<sup>13</sup> completely confirmed our results (within +1 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and thus the validity of the extension of our parametric calculation method<sup>14</sup> for dinuclear molecules. This encouraged our further studies, without isotopic enrichment, on the other two members of the Group VIIB decacarbonyls.

Recent Raman spectroscopic results on  $\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$ ,<sup>13</sup> published while our studies were in progress, further supported the validity of our method.

Since no Raman spectrum of Tc<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub> seems to exist we give details of our studies with this compound as example with, for comparison, the results for Mn and Re compounds.<sup>†</sup> The assignment and the force-constant calculation  $^{15}$  on the mixed compound  $\mathrm{MnRe(CO)}_{10}$  will be published elsewhere.

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#### EXPERIMENTAL

Carbonyls were purchased from Alfa Inorganics (Mn and Re), and from Pressure Chemical Co. (Tc) respectively. Spectra were recorded in n-hexane solution, with various concentrations, with a Perkin-Elmer 621 spectrometer, and calibrated against carbon monoxide and water vapour bands.

# RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The crystal structure of Tc<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub> determined by Bailey and Dahl<sup>16</sup> has the staggered  $D_{4d}$  symmetry, completely identical with that of  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$ .<sup>17</sup> The existence of the same structure (without internal rotation) has also been ascertained for the gaseous state by electron diffraction.<sup>18</sup> No X-ray study is known on Re<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>. A recent electron diffraction study 19 claimed the presence of the eclipsed  $(D_{4h})$  form of the rhenium carbonyl in the gaseous state. But since for  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  the agreement between experimental and theoretical curves does not differ substantially for models with  $D_{4h}$  and  $D_{4d}$ symmetry 20 there must be serious doubts about the correctness of the conclusion of Gapotchenko and his colleagues.<sup>19</sup> However, we present the treatment of a hypothetical  $D_{4h}$  Re<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub> in the Appendix to show



Figure 1 Numbering scheme and symbols of the force and interaction constants of the  $M_{2}(\mathrm{CO})_{10}$  compounds

that this uncertainy influences only two indirect interaction constants and thus it is immaterial with regard to the main scope of the present study.

Our numbering scheme of the ligands and the symbols of the constants are shown in Figure 1.

The expressions for the symmetry co-ordinates are correctly given by Cotton and Wing (Table 2 of ref. 11) so we have not repeated them. However, the secular equations presented by these authors contain a priori neglections.

Previously Flitcroft et al.<sup>10</sup> presented the secular equations only for the i.r.-active species  $B_2$  and  $E_1$  (with neglect of indirect interaction constants). The complete set of equations has been published by Haas and Sheline <sup>9</sup> but they contain a sign error in species  $A_1$ , and their symbols are not sufficiently self-explanatory. We therefore present the expressions for the  $F_{ij}$  elements in Table 1. The nine valence force constants are expressed by the  $F_{ij}$  elements in Table 2.

#### TABLE 1

# $F_{ij}$ Elements of the secular equations of $M_2(CO)_{10}$ compounds (point group $D_{4d}$ )

$$\begin{array}{l} A_1 \begin{cases} F_{11} = K_{\rm eq} + i_t{\rm eq} + 2i_e{\rm eq} + 2j_e{\rm eq} + 2j_t{\rm eq} \\ F_{22} = K_{\rm ax} + j_{\rm aa} \\ F_{12}{}^a = 2(i_{\rm ea} + j_{\rm ea}) \end{cases} \\ B_2 \begin{cases} F_{33} = K_{\rm eq} + i_t{\rm eq} + 2i_e{\rm eq} - 2j_e{\rm eq} - 2j_t{\rm eq} \\ F_{44} = K_{\rm ax} - j_{\rm aa} \\ F_{34}{}^a = 2(i_{\rm ea} - j_{\rm ea}) \end{cases} \\ E_1 \quad F_{55} = K_{\rm eq} - i_t{\rm eq} + \sqrt{2}(j_e{\rm eq} - j_t{\rm eq}) \\ E_2 \quad F_{66} = K_{\rm eq} + i_t{\rm eq} - 2i_e{\rm eq} \\ E_3 \quad F_{77} = K_{\rm eq} - i_t{\rm eq} - \sqrt{2}(j_e{\rm eq} - j_t{\rm eq}) \\ e \quad F_{ii} = F_{ii} \end{cases}$$

The symbol K is reserved for the two valence force constants; the symbol i refers to geminal interactions within CO groups bound to the same metal atom; and the symbol j represents indirect (or secondary) interactions between ligands attached to different atoms.

#### TABLE 2

Valence force constants (K), geminal (i), and indirect (j)interaction constants of the  $M_2(CO)_{10}$  compounds expressed in terms of the  $F_{ij}$  elements

$$\begin{split} &K_{\rm eq} = \{[(F_{11}+F_{33})/2+F_{66}]/2+(F_{55}+F_{77})/2\}/2\\ &K_{\rm ax} = (F_{22}+F_{44})/2\\ &i_{\rm t}^{\rm eq} = \{[(F_{11}+F_{33})/2+F_{66}]/2-(F_{55}+F_{77})/2\}/2\\ &i_{\rm c}^{\rm eq} = [(F_{11}+F_{33})/2-F_{66}]/4\\ &i_{\rm ca} = (F_{12}+F_{34})/4\\ &j_{\rm c}^{\rm eq} = [(F_{11}-F_{33})/2+(F_{55}-F_{77})/\sqrt{2}]/4\\ &j_{\rm t}^{\rm eq} = [(F_{11}-F_{33})/2-(F_{55}-F_{77})/\sqrt{2}]/4\\ &j_{\rm aa} = (F_{22}-F_{44})/2\\ &j_{\rm ea} = (F_{12}-F_{34})/4 \end{split}$$

Application of the Parameter Method for Dinuclear Complexes.-The fundamental equations of our parameter method <sup>14</sup> are modified for the dinuclear case, as a consequence of the presence of two species of the second order, as follows. We have for species  $A_1$  and  $B_2$  the parametric relationships (1) and (2), respectively.

$$\frac{F_{11} - F_{22}}{y_1 - y_2} = \cos \alpha \text{ and } \frac{2F_{12}}{y_1 - y_2} = \sin \alpha \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{F_{33} - F_{44}}{y_3 - y_4} = \cos\beta \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{2F_{34}}{y_3 - y_4} = \sin\beta \quad (2)$$

For the sum of the diagonal values of the matrix **F** we have equations (3) and (4), (where  $y_i = \lambda_i / \mu_{CO} =$ 

$$y_1 + y_2 = F_{11} + F_{22} \tag{3}$$

$$y_3 + y_4 = F_{33} + F_{44} \tag{4}$$

 $0.40407 \times v_i^2 \times 10^{-5}$ , the  $v_i$  being the C-O stretching frequencies). From equations (1)—(4) we obtain the <sup>18</sup> A. Almenningen, G. G. Jacobsen, and H. M. Seip, Acta

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expressions (5)—(10) for the  $F_{ij}$   $(i, j = 1 \dots 4)$  elements of the two second-order species in terms of the cosines and sines of the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

$$[F_{11} = [(y_1 + y_2) + (y_1 - y_2) \cos \alpha]/2 \quad (5)$$

Species 
$$A_1 \left\{ F_{22} = \left[ (y_1 + y_2) - (y_1 - y_2) \cos \alpha \right] / 2 \right\}$$
 (6)

$$F_{12} = (y_1 - y_2) \sin \alpha/2 \tag{7}$$

$$F_{33} = [(y_3 + y_4) + (y_3 - y_4)\cos\beta]/2 \quad (8)$$

Species 
$$B_2 \begin{cases} F_{44} = [(y_3 + y_4) - (y_3 - y_4)\cos\beta]/2 & (9) \\ F_{34} = (y_3 - y_4)\sin\beta/2 & (10) \end{cases}$$

For the first order species  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$ ,  $E_3$  we have simply equation (11). Combining equations (5)—(10) with the

$$F_{ii} = y_i \qquad (i = 5, 6, 7) \tag{11}$$

expressions in Table 2 we obtain the direct parametric equations shown in Table 3.

co-ordinates cannot differ significantly in the two species, independently of the in-phase or out-of-phase coupling between the two halves of the molecule.

The wavenumber values of the i.r.-inactive modes, calculated by us for  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  and  $Re_2(CO)_{10}$  from the isotopic frequencies using the assumption  $\alpha = \beta$  agreed perfectly (within  $\pm 1$  cm<sup>-1</sup>) with the experimentally obtained Raman spectroscopic values of Adams *et al.*<sup>13</sup> This result cannot be achieved with parameter values differing considerably between themselves. Hence there was no reason to doubt the validity of this constraint also for the technetium compound. (This is the only constraint introduced in our system of calculation, besides the usual factoring-off of the C-O stretching block.) We believe the present indirectly calculated Raman-active frequencies of  $Tc_2(CO)_{10}$  (Table 5) to be accurate at least within  $\pm 1.5$  cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Of the two parameters the one for species  $B_2$ , namely

# TABLE 3

Parametric equations, valence force and interaction constants as functions of  $\cos \alpha$  and  $\cos \beta$ , in terms of  $y_i = \lambda_i / \mu_{CO}$  values

$$\begin{split} &K_{\rm eq} = (y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4)/16 + (y_5 + y_6 + y_7)/4 + [\cos \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) + \cos \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/16 \\ &K_{\rm ax} = (y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4)/4 - [\cos \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) + \cos \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/4 \\ &it^{\rm eq} = (y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4)/16 - (y_5 - y_6 + y_7)/4 + [\cos \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) + \cos \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/16 \\ &i_c^{\rm eq} = (y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4)/16 - y_6/4 + [\cos \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) + \cos \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/16 \\ &i_{\rm ea} = [\sin \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) + \sin \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/8 \\ &j_c^{\rm eq} = (y_1 + y_2 - y_3 - y_4)/16 + \sqrt{2}(y_5 - y_7)/8 + [\cos \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) - \cos \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/16 \\ &j_{\rm teq} = (y_1 + y_2 - y_3 - y_4)/16 - \sqrt{2}(y_5 - y_7)/8 + [\cos \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) - \cos \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/16 \\ &j_{\rm as} = (y_1 + y_2 - y_3 - y_4)/4 - [\cos \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) - \cos \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/4 \\ &j_{\rm ea} = [\sin \alpha \ (y_1 - y_2) - \sin \beta \ (y_3 - y_4)]/8 \end{split}$$

The factored C-O stretching block of the force field of the compounds M<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub> contains two force constants  $(K_{eq} \text{ and } K_{ax})$ , three geminal  $(i_t, i_c, and i_{ea})$ , and four ' indirect ' interaction constants  $(j_c, j_t, j_{aa}, and j_{ea})$ , *i.e.*, nine numerical values to be determined, against seven C-O stretching frequencies (four of them being, at the beginning of this study, unknown). The variation of the two parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in the equations of Table 3 results in an infinite number of solutions for the force and interaction constants, which represent the mathematically allowed solutions. The introduction of the <sup>13</sup>C-O isotopic data made the problem definite in the case of mononuclear carbonyl derivatives<sup>21</sup> since only one parameter value satisfied both the all-12C-O and the isotopic frequencies. The presence of two secondorder species and consequently two coupling parameters renders the problem for the dinuclear case less easily resolvable. However, calculations carried out with wide variations of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  have shown that the values of  $\cos \alpha$  and  $\cos \beta$  are unlikely to differ by more than 0.15, otherwise the relative values of the interaction constants would differ greatly from the usual values of the ' Cotton-Kraihanzel type ' 22 constants.

To reduce the number of unknowns we have therefore put  $\alpha = \beta$ . This approximation seems plausible on the basis that the extent of the *local* coupling [*i.e.* within one M(CO)<sub>5</sub> unit] between the equatorial and axial symmetry  $\cos \beta$ , is exactly known, since it is obtained from directly measured i.r. frequencies. Concerning the values of  $\cos \alpha$  (species  $A_1$ ) not even the use of the isotopic frequencies provides a basis for deciding whether in relationship (12) we can cancel the additional term  $\Delta c$ ,

$$\cos \alpha = \cos \beta + \Delta c \tag{12}$$

since its variation within reasonable limits influences the calculated isotopic frequencies only within the limits of the experimental error of our frequency determinations  $(\pm 0.4 \text{ cm}^{-1})$ . The inherent uncertainty of equation (12) only gives rise to a small uncertainty in the calculated force and interaction constants, the magnitude of which depends upon the coefficients in the equations of Table 3. The value, *e.g.*, of  $\Delta c = -0.10$  would cause the following changes in the values: for  $K_{\rm ax}$  and  $j_{\rm aa} \mp 0.025$ , for  $i_{\rm ea}$  and  $j_{\rm ea} \mp 0.010$ , and for all others  $\pm 0.006$  mdyne Å<sup>-1</sup>.

The values in Table 8 all correspond to  $\Delta c = 0$ . The comparison of the *relative* values within the triad must be justified <sup>23</sup> since an exceptional value of  $\Delta c$  for the technetium compound is unlikely.

According to the assumption that  $\alpha = \beta$  we used the symbol  $\cos \beta$  in the discussions throughout the paper in accordance with our previous publications in this field.

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Analysis of the Spectrum of  $Tc_2(CO)_{10}$ .—The spectrum of  $Tc_2(CO)_{10}$  is shown in Figure 2. Bands O\*, R\*, and



FIGURE 2 I.r. spectrum of  $Tc_{2}(CO)_{10}$  in the C–O stretching region. Insets correspond to higher concentration

V\* are the three i.r.-active fundamentals. Their assignment is straightforward on the basis of the intensities, in accord with the previous suggestions <sup>10</sup>: O\* and V\*  $(B_2)$  and R\*  $(E_1)$ . The other six bands (or shoulders) visible in the spectrum (Figure 2) are due to the natural



FIGURE 3 I.r. spectrum of  $^{13}\mathrm{CO}\text{-enriched}$   $\mathrm{Mn}_2(\mathrm{CO})_{10}$  in the C–O stretching region. Lower curve corresponds to higher concentration

 $Tc(^{12}CO)_{9}(^{13}CO)$  molecules. This was proved not only by the calculations performed according the method presented previously<sup>4,21</sup> but also by the isotopically enriched spectrum of  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  (Figure 3) for bands N\*, S\*, U\*, X\*, and Y\*, and for shoulder Q\* in the spectrum of  $\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$  enriched selectively in the equatorial position.<sup>2a</sup> [Calculations have shown that in the case of  $\operatorname{Mn}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$  this isotopic satellite is too near to the frequency R\* and does not emerge from that strong band even after enrichment.]

The mono-<sup>13</sup>CO substituted molecules can have the <sup>13</sup>CO ligand either in an equatorial or in an axial position. With 1·1% natural abundance of <sup>13</sup>C the concentration of the mono-<sup>13</sup>CO species is 9·96% with the eq : ax ratio of 4 : 1. (The concentration of the di-<sup>13</sup>CO substituted molecules is 0·005% and thus without enrichment they cannot give rise to any absorption.) The higher concentration of the eq-<sup>13</sup>CO derivative and the lower symmetry ( $C_s$ ) of this molecule make it very probable that the majority of the isotopic bands belong to this isomer. In fact calculations, performed with approximate frequencies, on the species  $A_1$ ,  $E_2$ , and  $E_3$ , showed unequivocally that the bands Q\*, S\*, U\*, and X\* belong to the equatorial isomer, and only the band Y\* is derived from the axial one. N\* can belong to both, since the highest



FIGURE 4 Graphical comparison of the observed i.r. spectrum A of  $Tc_{g}(CO)_{10}$  with the calculated spectra of the two  $Tc_{g}(^{12}CO)_{9^{-1}}(^{13}CO)$  isomers; B, equatorial; C, axial. Thick bars represent i.r. fundamentals and thick broken bars represent calculated Raman fundamentals

frequencies of both isotopic isomers nearly coincide, but mainly on concentration and intensity arguments this band is also likely to belong to the eq-form. The above assignment is in accord with the earlier results of Harrill and Kaesz<sup>2a</sup> and Haas and Sheline<sup>9</sup> on  $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$  and  $\text{Mn}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$ . A graphical correlation between the i.r.active and Raman-active C-O stretching modes of  $\text{Tc}_2(^{12}\text{CO})_{10}$ , and the calculated spectra of the eq-[<sup>13</sup>C]and ax-[<sup>13</sup>C]-Tc<sub>2</sub>(<sup>12</sup>CO)<sub>9</sub>(<sup>13</sup>CO) molecular species is shown in Figure 4.

Evidently the isotopic molecules possess their own individual spectra, but they have many common features with those of the parent compound; *e.g.* the degenerate frequencies do not move with the  $ax^{-13}CO$  substitution  $(C_{4v})$ , and although not forbidden in the i.r. spectrum,

two of them  $(E_2 \text{ and } E_3 \text{ in point group } D_{4d})$  must have zero intensity. In the eq-<sup>13</sup>CO molecule  $(C_s)$  the A''component of the  $E_k$  frequencies of the all-<sup>12</sup>CO species remain in their original positions (and have no intensity if they were inactive in  $D_{4d}$ ), but the A' components are always shifted to lower frequencies and always have nonzero intensity. We call isotopic bands ' satellites ' if they derive from i.r.-active modes, and ' derivatives ' if the parent all-<sup>12</sup>CO vibration was i.r.-inactive.  $v_2(A_1)$ , X\* is the derivative of the vibration  $v_7(E_3)$ , and Y\* is the satellite of  $v_5(B_2) \equiv V^*$ . Hence Harrill and Kaesz <sup>2a</sup> were in error when they assigned band X\* in the case of  $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$  as a satellite of the i.r.-active  $E_1$ vibration  $v_5$ . Haas and Sheline <sup>9</sup> also assigned this band correctly for  $\text{Mn}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$ . The two lowest satellites X\* and Y\* have special importance in these types of study. As Y\* is the satellite of an exactly measured i.r.-active vibration  $(v_4 = V^*)$ , and as its calculated value is very

		Com	parison of t	he v(CO) dat	ta reported for	$\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$			
Activity	Assignment	Kaesz ª	Lewis b	Cotton °	Hyams <sup>d</sup>	Clark <sup>e</sup>	Adams <sup>f</sup>	This work	Label
R	$v_1(A_1)$		2126 <sup>R</sup>	2125 gR	2130 <sup>R</sup>	2126 <sup>R</sup>	2128 <sup>R</sup>	2127.0	M*
I.r.	13CO	2122	_		_			2123.7	N*
I. <i>¥</i> .	$v_3(B_2)$	2070	2074		2074			$2070 \cdot 4$	O <b>*</b>
$\mathbf{R}$	$v_6(E_2)$		2027 <sup>R</sup>	2023 gR	2029 <sup>R</sup>	2027 R	2029 <sup>R</sup>	2028.0	$\mathbf{P}^*$
I.r.	13CO	2021					_	$2023 \cdot 0$	Q*
I.r.	$v_5(E_1)$	2013 - 2014	2013		2013			2014.0	$\widetilde{\mathbf{R}}^*$
I.r.	13CO	2003	_					$2003 \cdot 2$	S*
$\mathbf{R}$	$v_2(A_1)$		1989 <sup>R</sup>	1976 gR	1980—1990 <sup>R</sup>	1988 <sup>R</sup>	1993 <sup>R</sup>	1993.0	T*
I.r.	13CO	1993						$1992 \cdot 2$	$U^*$
$\mathbf{R}$	$v_7(E_3)$		1934  c	1976 gR	1935 <sup>R</sup>		$1972 \ g^R$	1984.0	W*
I.r.	$v_4(B_2)$	1976	1974		1974			1977.3	<b>V*</b>
I.r.	13CO	1958 - 1959				-		1960.3	$X^*$
I.r.	<sup>13</sup> CO	1942			1950 <sup>R</sup>			$1943 \cdot 5$	Y <b>*</b>

TABLE 4

<sup>a</sup> Refs. 2a and 10. <sup>b</sup> Ref. 25. <sup>c</sup> Ref. 11. <sup>d</sup> I. J. Hyams, D. Jones, and E. R. Lippincott, J. Chem. Soc. (A), 1967, 1987. <sup>e</sup> Ref. 24. <sup>f</sup> Ref. 13. <sup>g</sup> Frequencies observed only in solid phase. <sup>R</sup> Values obtained from Raman spectra. <sup>c</sup> Values deduced from combination spectra. The values in *italics* refer to the i.r.-active <sup>12</sup>C-O stretching *fundamentals*.

The derivatives of the  $A_1$  modes and the satellites of the  $B_2$  modes are always shifted to lower energies, although in some cases the new bands do not emerge from the band envelope. Nevertheless the five visible sensitive to the value of the parameter, this is our most stable point in determining  $\cos \beta$ .

On the other hand X\* is mainly the derivative of the  $E_3$  vibration  $v_7$  which not only is i.r.-inactive, but in the

1990 - 1980 -

FIGURE 5 The calculated lowest  $^{13}{\rm CO}$  isotopic frequencies of Tc\_2(CO)\_{10} as a function of cos  $\beta.$  The horizontal —  $\cdot$  —  $\cdot$  — lines correspond to the observed values of 1965.7 cm^-1 (upper) and 1951.8 cm^{-1} (lower)

satellites (or derivatives) represent sufficient new data, after their correct assignment, to calculate all four i.r.-inactive all- $^{12}C-O$  frequencies.

Band N\* is a derivative of  $v_1(A_1)$ , Q\* is that of  $v_6(E_2)$ , S\* is the satellite of  $v_5(E_1) \equiv \mathbb{R}^*$ , U\* derives from

TABLE 5 Fundamental and <sup>13</sup>C-isotopic C–O stretching frequencies of the  $M_2(CO)_{10}$  compounds

ctivity	Assignment	$Mn_2(CO)_{10}$	Tc <sub>2</sub> (CO) <sub>10</sub>	$\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$	Label
$\mathbf{R}$	$v_1A_1$	2115.0	$2123 \cdot 0$	$2127 \cdot 0$	$M^*$
I.r.	13CO	2111.5	2119.3	2123.7	N*
Ι.γ.	$v_3B_2$	2045.8	2065.6	2070.4	O*
R	$v_6 E_2$	2023.0	$2029 \cdot 0$	2028.0	$\mathbf{P}^*$
I.r.	13CŌ	2019.6	$2025 \cdot 0$	$2023 \cdot 0$	Q <b>*</b>
Ι.γ.	$v_5 E_1$	2014.7	2018.6	2014.0	Ŕ*
I. <b>r</b> .	13CO	$2003 \cdot 5$	2008.0	$2003 \cdot 2$	S*
$\mathbf{R}$	$v_2 A_1$	1997.5	1999.5	1993.0	T*
I.r.	13CÕ	1995.7	1998.7	$1992 \cdot 2$	$U^*$
$\mathbf{R}$	$v_7 E_3$	1981.5	1990.5	1984.0	W*
Ι.γ.	$v_4 B_2$	1983.8	$1986 \cdot 2$	1977.3	V*
I. <b>r.</b>	13CÕ	1957.7	1965.7	1960.3	$X^*$
I.r.	13CO	1950.9	1951.8	$1943 \cdot 5$	Y*

The values in *italics* refer to the i.r.-active  $^{12}C-O$  stretching *fundamentals*.

Raman effect (although allowed) is often too weak to be observed in solution spectra. Thus in their Raman study with  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  Clark and Crosse <sup>24</sup> could not observe the  $E_3$  mode in solution, and Adams *et al.*<sup>13</sup> report its value for  $Re_2(CO)_{10}$  only for the powdered sample. The calculated value of the X\* isotopic frequency is also influenced (although only slightly) by the choice of the other unknown (inactive) degenerate frequency  $E_2$  ( $v_6$ ).

The three i.r.-active frequencies being known, the other four were varied until we obtained an agreement  $(\pm 0.5 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  between all calculated and measured isotopic <sup>24</sup> R. J. H. Clark and B. C. Crosse, J. Chem. Soc. (A), 1969, 224.

# TABLE 6

Assignment of the C-O stretching combination bands of Mn<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>

	02(0 - )10	
Obs. and assigned by Lewis <i>et al.</i> <sup>25</sup>	Obs. and assigned by Cotton and Wing <sup>11</sup>	Assigned on the basis of the present work
$4163 v_1 + v_2$	$4156 v_1 + v_2$	4161 y <sub>1</sub> + y <sub>2</sub>
$4125 y_{-} + y_{-}$	$4124 y_{2} + y_{3}$	$4130 v_{1} + v_{2}$
(4100) (yw)		
(103) ((W)	4002	4000
$4095 v_1 + v_4$	$4095 v_1 + v_4$	$4099 v_1 + v_4$
(4061) (vw)		
ſ		<b>(4046 (2ν<sub>6</sub>)</b>
4035∢ 2v <sub>6</sub>	$4034 v_2 + v_3$	$\langle 4043 * v_2 + v_3 \rangle$
V5 VB		$4038 v_5 + v_e$
$4023 \tilde{v}_{0} + v_{0}$	$4020 v_{r} + v_{c}$	$4028 v_{2} + v_{2}$
1010 .2 1 .3		4012 * v+ v.
$2000\int v_2 + v_5$	2002 1	$\int 4005  \nu_6 + \nu_7$
39903	$3992 v_3 + v_7$	1000-
$(v_3 + v_7)$		$(3997 v_5 + v_7)$
		$3981 * v_2 + v_4$
$(v_2 + v_4)$		
$3961 \langle v_5 + v_7 \rangle$	$3959 v_{e} + v_{7}$	$3966 v_4 + v_7$
No + N	3 . 7	4 . /
C-6 - 7	3941 ? $v_4 + v_7$	<u> </u>

\* Combinations with  $v_2(A_1)$  seem to have no measurable intensity since none of the three allowed combinations was separately observed.

frequencies. Figure 5 shows the variation of the calculated value of the lower isotopic satellites X\* and Y\* with the change of  $\cos \beta$ . The agreement for both experimental values (horizontal lines) is obtained with  $\cos \beta = +0.68$ .

in Table 4 our present frequency data for  $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$  with all data published so far on the C-O stretching bands of this compound. A similar comparison for  $\text{Mn}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$  has

	TABLE 7	
Assignment of the	e C–O stretching co of $\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$	mbination bands
Obs. and assigned by Lewis <i>et a</i> . <sup>25</sup>	Obs. and assigned by Cotton and Wing <sup>11</sup>	Assigned on the basis of the present work
$\begin{array}{l} 4198 \ \nu_1 + \nu_3 \\ 4138 \ \nu_1 + \nu_5 \\ 4122 {\rm sh} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 4193  \nu_1 + \nu_3 \\ 4137  \nu_1 + \nu_5 \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 4197  \nu_1 + \nu_3 \\ 4141  \nu_1 + \nu_5 \\ \end{array}$
$egin{array}{l} 4099 \ {f v_1} + {f v_4} \ 4052 iggl\{ egin{array}{c} 2 {f v_6} \ \end{array} iggr\} \end{array}$	$\left\{ egin{array}{c} 4098 \ { extsf{v_1}} + { extsf{v_4}} \ 4057 { m sh} \ { extsf{v_2}} + { extsf{v_3}} \end{array}  ight.$	$\begin{cases} 4104 \ \mathtt{v_1} + \mathtt{v_4} \\ 4063 \ ^* \mathtt{v_2} + \mathtt{v_3} \\ 4056 \ 2\mathtt{v_6} \end{cases}$
$egin{array}{c} ({f v}_2 + {f v}_6 \ 4037  {f v}_5 + {f v}_6 \end{array} \end{array}$	$\{\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$egin{pmatrix} 4054 & \mathfrak{v}_3 \ + \ \mathfrak{v}_7 \ 4042 & \mathfrak{v}_5 \ + \ \mathfrak{v}_6 \ 4012 & \mathfrak{v}_6 \ + \ \mathfrak{v}_7 \ \end{pmatrix}$
$\frac{1}{2000}\int_{\nu_2}^{\nu_2}+\nu_5$	$4005 \text{sh} v_6 + v_7$	$\begin{cases} 4007 * v_2 + v_5 \\ 54005 \; v_4 + v_6 \end{cases}$
$\frac{3999}{3981 \text{sh}} + \nu_7$	$\begin{array}{l} 3997  \nu_5 + \nu_7 \\ 3981 \mathrm{sh}  \nu_2 + \nu_5 \end{array}$	$3998 v_5 + v_7$
$3947 \ \nu_5 + \nu_7$	$3948 egin{cases} \mathbf{v_4} + \mathbf{v_7} \ \mathbf{v_2} + \mathbf{v_4} \end{cases}$	$3961 v_1 + v_7$
* C	f. comment to Table	6.

been published  $^{12}$  without the then unpublished Raman results of Adams *et al.*<sup>13</sup>



FIGURE 6 Force constants as functions of cos  $\beta$  for the  ${\rm M}_2({\rm CO})_{10}$  compounds

To demonstrate the agreement between the  $A_1$ ,  $E_2$ , and  $E_3$  frequencies obtained with this method of the isotopic bands, and by direct Raman measurements, we compare

Table 5 directly compares our frequencies for all three compounds.

Table 4 shows that the isotopic method is superior to

that of the combination frequencies, which can be misleading.<sup>11,25</sup> To demonstrate that the frequencies obtained by the isotopic method also satisfy the combination spectrum we give in Tables 6 and 7 the assignments suggested by us for the spectra of  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  and  $Re_2$ - $(CO)_{10}$  in the 4200–3900 cm<sup>-1</sup> region, compared with previous assignments. Even a comparison with the the highest in the triad. A similar result, *i.e.*, that the second member of carbonyl of a triad has the highest C-O stretching force constants, has been found on the basis of a complete normal-co-ordinate analysis for the  $M(CO)_6$  compounds (M = Cr, Mo, or W) by Jones *et al.*<sup>26</sup>

Comparison of the cos  $\beta$  Values.—The cos  $\beta$  parameter values obtained with an accuracy of at least  $\pm 0.05$  are

	C-O Factored force and interaction constants of $M_2(CO)_{10}$ compounds								
	$K_{eq}$	$K_{\mathbf{a}\mathbf{x}}$	$i_{ m t}^{ m eq}$	$i_{c}^{eq}$	$i_{ea}$	$j_{e^{eq}}$	1 teq	jaa.	Iea
This work								9	5
$\mathbf{Mn}$	16.500	16.308	0.367	0.165	0.296	0.217	0.027	0.205	0.094
Tc	16.642	16.316	0.405	0.506	0.308	0.187	0.026	0.168	0.069
$\mathbf{Re}$	16.610	16.196	0.463	0.227	0.330	0.193	0.022	0.177	0.062
Ref. 10									
Mn	16.52	15.91	$2i_{c}^{eq}$	0.	08				
Tc	16.68	15.94	Ŭ	0.	12				
$\mathbf{Re}$	16.67	15.82		0.	14	—			_
Ref. 11				$\smile$					
Mn	16.33	16.06	$2i_{e}^{eq}$	0.	23	0.33	_	-0.12	
Tc			Ť						
$\mathbf{Re}$	16.57	15.92		0.	26	0.24		-0.04	
Ref. 9 *									
Mn	16.42	16.20	0.39	0.20	0.23	0.27	0.07	0.08	0.00

TABLE 8

\* The data in this paper in units of  $cm^{-1}$  were transformed to mdyn Å<sup>-1</sup> (1 mdyn Å<sup>-1</sup> = 10<sup>2</sup> N m<sup>-1</sup>).

direct Raman measurement is not disadvantageous for the present method, and the two types should be applied jointly if possible.

Hitherto the only direct experimental measurement in solution for band  $E_3$  is for  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  and our calculated value confirms this. For  $\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$  and  $\operatorname{Tc}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$  our present solution data are the only ones, and in the case of  $Tc_2(CO)_{10}$  this is true also for the  $A_1$  and  $E_2$  modes.

The force constants of the three compounds can be compared on the basis of the C-O factored model, since they have completely analogous structures. The relationships of the force constants to  $\cos \beta$  are shown in Figure 6 for all three compounds. The force and interaction constants obtained by the equations of Table 3

## TABLE 9

Values of the parameter  $\cos \beta$  and of the  $N_{ij}$  elements of  $M_2(CO)_{10}$  compounds

	Mn	Tc	Re	
cos β	0.60	0.68	0.71	This work
$N_{ii}$	0.894	0.916	0.924	This work
$N_{ii}$	0.447	0.400	0.381	This work
$N_{ii}$	0.8324		0.9355	Ref. 27
$N_{ii}$			0.9244*	Ref. 28
$N_{ii}$	0.5498		0.3551	Ref. 27
$N_{ii}$			0.3818 *	Ref. 28
.,				

\* Converted to the same units.

from the frequencies of Table 5 are given in Table 8, with a comparison with previously published force constants. We can see that the  $K_{eq}$  and  $K_{ax}$  values of  $Tc_2(CO)_{10}$  are

<sup>25</sup> J. Lewis, A. R. Manning, J. R. Miller, M. J. Ware, and F. Nyman, *Nature*, 1965, 207, 142.
<sup>26</sup> L. H. Jones, R. S. McDowell, and M. Goldblatt, *Inorg.*

Chem., 1969, 8, 2349.

given in Table 9. We give there also the normalized  $N_{ij}$  values, correlated by equation (13)<sup>14</sup> with the  $L_{ij}$ elements of the general eigenvector matrix, and obtained

$$N_{ij}\sqrt{\mu_{\rm CO}} = L_{ij} \tag{13}$$

by equations (14) from the  $\cos \beta$  values <sup>14</sup> (where i = 1and j = 2 for species  $A_1$ , and i = 3 and j = 4 for species

$$N_{ii} = N_{jj} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1+\coseta}{2}
ight)}$$
 and  
 $N_{ij} = \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{1-\coseta}{2}
ight)}$  (14)

 $B_2$ ; if  $j > i N_{ij}$  has the positive sign and  $N_{ji} = -N_{ij}$ . The normalized terms [equation (15)] of the matrix N connect C–O stretching type normal co-ordinates  $Q_i$  and symmetry co-ordinates  $R_j$ . We give in Table 9 also,

$$Q = \tilde{\mathbf{N}} R \tag{15}$$

for comparison, the previous  $L_{ij}$  data of Wing and Crocker<sup>27</sup> (Mn and Re carbonyl), and of Braterman et al.<sup>28</sup> (Re carbonyl only), the latter transformed to the same normalized basis as our data. For  $Tc_2(CO)_{10}$  no such data existed. The equatorial contribution to vibrations  $Q_1$  and  $Q_3$  increases in the series Mn < Tc < Re.

There is excellent agreement for  $\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$  with the data of Braterman et al,28 although these authors based their determination only on the i.r.-active  $B_2$  species  $(L_{33}, L_{44}, \text{ and } L_{34})$ . The disagreement with the data of Wing and Crocker<sup>27</sup> is due to their using the intensity criteria instead of isotopic data, for the determination

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> R. M. Wing and D. C. Crocker, Inorg. Chem., 1967, 6, 289.

<sup>28</sup> P. S. Braterman, R. Bau, and H. D. Kaesz, Inorg. Chem., 1967, **6**, 2097.

of the extent of coupling between axial and equatorial modes. The intensity of the  $v_3$  band, however, is considerably increased by dipolar contribution due to a metal-metal polarization effect, predicted for the first time by Cotton and Wing.<sup>11</sup> A quantitative treatment of this effect has been carried out <sup>15</sup> and will be published elsewhere.

#### APPENDIX

The Influence of the Eclipsed Configuration on the Results.—Although we consider the eclipsed  $(D_{4h})$  structure, suggested for  $\operatorname{Re}_2(\operatorname{CO})_{10}$  by Gapotchenko et al.<sup>19</sup> unlikely, we have undertaken a study to see how our

# TABLE 10

Correlation of the symmetry species of the C–O stretching modes in point groups  $D_{4h}$ ,  $D_{4d}$ , and  $D_4$ 



### TABLE 11

 $F_{ij}$  Elements of the secular equations for species E,  $B_1$ , and  $B_2$  of the  $D_4$  model

 $E \begin{cases} F_{55} = K_{eq} - i_t^{eq} + (e_1 \cos \gamma + e_2 \sin \gamma - e_3 \sin \gamma - e_4 \cos \gamma) \\ F_{77} = K_{eq} - i_t^{eq} - (e_1 \cos \gamma + e_2 \sin \gamma - e_3 \sin \gamma - e_4 \cos \gamma) \\ B_1: \quad F_{66a} = K_{eq} + i_t^{eq} - 2i_c^{eq} + e_1 - e_2 - e_3 + e_4 \\ B_2: \quad F_{66b} = K_{eq} + i_t^{eq} - 2i_c^{eq} - e_1 + e_2 + e_3 - e_4 \end{cases}$ 

results would change if this model were correct. The conclusions can be used directly in a future study of  $HgMn_2(CO)_{10}$  or  $[HCr_2(CO)_{10}]^-$  where X-ray studies have proved the presence of the eclipsed configuration.



FIGURE 7 Comparison of the blocks of eq...eq' interaction constants in the force-constant matrix for point groups  $D_4$ ,  $D_{4a}$ , and  $D_{4h}$ :  $j_c$  and  $j_t$  are the *cisoid* and *transoid* interactions of the staggered model, respectively, whereas  $j_c$  is the *cis*,  $j_T$ the *trans*, and  $j_a$  the *gauche* interaction of the eclipsed configuration

We treat the problem in a more general way, supposing only  $D_4$  symmetry (free rotation). The correspondence between the species of the three point groups is shown in Table 10. The eq...eq' interaction constants are the only ones which change by the rotation of the relative positions of the two  $M(CO)_5$  units, and these are located in two  $4 \times 4$  blocks of the symmetrical force constants



FIGURE 8 Numbering scheme of the equatorial ligands and definition of the rotational angle  $\gamma$  for the  $D_4$  model of  $\rm M_2(\rm CO)_{10}$  compounds

matrix. Figure 7 compares this block for the three treated point groups. The numbering scheme of the equatorial ligands and the definition of the rotational angle  $\gamma$  is shown in Figure 8. The secular equations change only for the *E*,  $B_1$ , and  $B_2$  modes, and these are shown in Table 11.

We can deduce equations (16)—(19) to replace the other two in Table 3 for the *cisoid*  $(j_c)$  and *transoid*  $(j_t)$  interactions between the equatorial ligands of the staggered model where Y is given by equation (20). The other equations of Table 3 do not change.

$$e_{1} = Y + \frac{1}{8} (y_{6a} - y_{6b}) + \frac{1}{4} (y_{5} - y_{7}) \cos \gamma \quad (16)$$

$$e_2 = Y - \frac{1}{8} \left( y_{6a} - y_{6b} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left( y_5 - y_7 \right) \sin \gamma \quad (17)$$

$$e_3 = Y - \frac{1}{8} \left( y_{6a} - y_{6b} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \left( y_5 - y_7 \right) \sin \gamma \quad (18)$$

$$e_4 = Y + \frac{1}{8} \left( y_{6a} - y_{6b} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \left( y_5 - y_7 \right) \cos \gamma \quad (19)$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{16} \left[ (y_1 + y_2 - y_3 - y_4) + (y_1 - y_2 - y_3 + y_4) \cos \beta \right] \quad (20)$$

If we suppose the absence of any effective splitting of the  $E_2 \longrightarrow B_1 + B_2$  modes (*i.e.*,  $B_1 = B_2 = 2028 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) the term  $(1/8)(y_{6a} - y_{6b})$  in equations (16)—(19) vanishes. Then with  $\gamma = 45^{\circ}$  we obtain two pairs of identical equations for  $e_1 = e_2 = j_{\circ}$  and  $e_3 = e_4 = j_t$ . On substitution on the other hand with  $\sin \gamma = 0$  the last terms of the equations for  $e_2$  and  $e_3$  vanish and they become identical:  $e_1 = j_0$ ,  $e_2 = e_3 = j_G$ , and  $e_4 = j_T$ , as demanded in Figure 7.

The problem of the splitting of the  $E_2$  mode cannot be decided on the basis of i.r. spectral observations. The  $E_2$ frequency has been determined in the staggered ( $D_{4d}$ ) model mainly from the position of the isotopic band  $Q^*$  at 2023 cm<sup>-1</sup>, especially well visible in the enriched spectrum of Harrill and Kaesz.<sup>2a</sup> We studied the behaviour of this satellite with the variation of the splitting  $\nu_{6a} - \nu_{6b}$  for the eclipsed model.

We have found that a symmetric splitting [*i.e.*, when  $(v_{6a} + v_{6b})/2 = 2028 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ] is necessary to maintain the good agreement with the other isotopic bands. Surprisingly, the calculated position of the satellite Q\* was

influenced only within  $1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  as we increased the splitting up to  $\pm 6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Only this satellite has a considerable intensity, and the other isotopic band, derivative of the

# TABLE 12

The eq...eq' type interaction constants in the eclipsed model  $(D_{4h})$  of Re<sub>2</sub>(CO)<sub>10</sub>, and the calculated value of the isotopic bands Q\* as a function of splitting of the  $E_2 \longrightarrow B_{1g} + B_{1u}$  frequency

$v_{6a}$	V <sub>6b</sub>	$\Delta \nu_6$	$j \mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{ecl}}$	$j_{\mathbf{q}^{\mathbf{ecl}}}$	$j_{\mathbf{T}^{\mathbf{ecl}}}$	ν(Q*)
2025.0	2031.0	6	0.216	0.120	-0.026	$2022 \cdot 0$
2026.5	2029.5	-3	0.222	0.113	-0.050	$2022 \cdot 9$
2028.0	2028.0	0	0.228	0.107	-0.014	$2023 \cdot 2$
2029.5	2026.5	+3	0.234	0.101	-0.008	$2022 \cdot 9$
2031.0	$2025 \cdot 0$	+6	0.241	0.095	-0.001	$2022 \cdot 0$
20	28 *		$j_{\rm c}: 0.193 *$		$j_t: 0.022 *$	2023-2*

\* Values of the  $D_{4d}$  model for comparison

higher component of the frequency pair  $v_{6a} \ldots v_{6b}$ , which had calculated frequencies around 2029 cm<sup>-1</sup>, had nearly zero calculated intensity. The two low-frequency isotopic satellites  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$  do not change their calculated position at all with the splitting of frequency  $v_{6a,b}$ .

The change of the three eq...eq' indirect interaction constants and of the calculated frequency of band Q\* caused by the different amount of splitting  $v_{6a} - v_{6b}$  is shown in Table 12 (with  $\cos \beta = 0.71$ ). All other force and interaction constants are unchanged. We see that for  $\Delta v_6 = 0$  the value of  $j_G$  is the mean of the *cis*- and *trans*-interactions, and of the *cisoid* and *transoid* interactions of the staggered model as well.

We conclude that we have no i.r. spectroscopic evidence against or in favour of the eclipsed form of  $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$  in solution. However, the differences in the values of the eq... eq' interaction constants influenced by the change of molecular geometry are so small that the problem has no significance.

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