



O₃ UV-Vis absorption cross-sections

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Topics

- 1. "New" O_3 cross-sections since 1999
- 2. "Critical Review" for ESA (2003)
- 3. Are the O_3 reference data consistent?
- 4. Recommendations

It took nearly 250 years from the invention of the thermometer to the definition of a generally accepted temperature standard



An Assessment of the United States Measurement System: Addressing Measurement Barriers to Accelerate Innovation

Future Opportunities and Challenges: Future opportunities and challenges in chemical measurements are related to the need for new approaches to address the growing need to know what substances are present in a particular sample or object and at what concentration levels. This need can range from determining elemental impurities in a high-purity material, such as a silicon wafer, to determining complex biomolecules, such as proteins and DNA, in biological tissues. Advancements in chemical measurements are critical to addressing needs in industry, health, nutrition, environment, forensics, and homeland security applications.





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The BIPM currently maintains three NIST Standard Reference Photometers (SRP27, SRP28 and SRP31) as ozone reference standards to underpin its international comparison programme. The BIPM and the NIST are cooperating to transfer the international responsibility for the comparison of national ozone standards to the BIPM.

The BIPM also maintains two standard reference photometers (SRP32 and SRP33) for its research and development programme. The BIPM and the NIST have been cooperating to study systematic biases and measurement uncertainties in the SRPs. SPR33 was constructed at the BIPM as part of the NIST/BIPM collaboration programme.

Studies of gas temperature within the instrument have led to the construction of a thermoelectric cooling device that is installed on all BIPM SRPs. With this system, the gas temperature is constant to 0.1 °C inside the instrument's gas cells. Improvements in the optical design of the SRP are under way, as is a project to replace the mercury lamp light source by a UV laser.





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Protocol for the Key Comparison BIPM.QM-K1, Ozone at ambient level

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Laboratories are to use 1.1476×10^{-21} m² (equivalent to 308.32 atm⁻¹ cm⁻¹) as the conventional value of the ozone absorption cross section at 253.7 nm, in order to calculate their ozone mole fractions.



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	Uncertainty <i>u</i> (<i>y</i>)				Sensitivity	contribution
Component (y)	Source	Distribution	Standard Uncertainty	Combined standard uncertainty u(y)	coefficient $c_i = \frac{\partial x}{\partial y}$	to $u(x)$ $ c_i \cdot u(y)$ nmol/mol
	Measurement Scale	Rect.	0.0006 cm		x	2.89×10 ⁻³ x
optical Path	Repeatability	Normal	0.01 cm] 0.052 cm	$-\frac{\alpha}{I}$	
Lopt	Bias	Rect	0.052 cm		L_{opt}	
Pressure P	Pressure gauge	Rect.	0.029 kPa		x	$3.37 \times 10^{-4}x$
	Difference between cells	Rect.	0.017 kPa	0.034 kPa	$-\overline{P}$	
Temperature T	Temperature probe	Rect.	0.03 K	0.07 K	$\frac{x}{T}$	2.29×10 ⁻⁴ x
	Residual bias	Rect.	0.058 K		-	
Ratio of intensities D	Scalers	Pact	8×10 ⁻⁶		x	
	resolution	Rect.	8×10 1.4×10 ⁻⁵		$D\ln(D)$	0.28
	Repeatability	Triang.	1.1×10 ⁻⁵			
Absorption	Conventional				-	
Cross section σ	value		-	-		-

1. "New" O_3 cross-sections since 1999

- GOME FM: Burrows et al., JQSRT 1999
- UV-FTS: Voigt et al., JPP-A 2001
- SCIAMACHY PFM: Bogumil et al., JPP-A 2003
- GOME-2 FMs: Gür et al., Report to ESA, 2005

O₃ broad-band cross-sections before 1995





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ATMOSPHERIC REMOTE-SENSING REFERENCE DATA FROM GOME—2. TEMPERATURE-DEPENDENT ABSORPTION CROSS SECTIONS OF O₃ IN THE 231–794 NM RANGE

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The temperature dependence (203–293 K) of the absorption cross sections of O₃ in the 230–850 nm region measured by Fourier-transform spectroscopy[☆]

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Measurements of molecular absorption spectra with the SCIAMACHY pre-flight model: instrument characterization and reference data for atmospheric remote-sensing in the 230–2380 nm region

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Table 2

Experimental conditions for the measured gases and number of different partial pressures measured for each absorber

Gas	Spectral range in nm	SCIAMACHY channels	Temperatures in K	No. of different partial pressures
O3	230–1075	1-6	293, 273, 243, 223, 203	5
NO_2	230–930 (293 K), 233–890 (273, 243 K),	1-5	293, 273, 243, 223, 203	2-4 (depending on temperature)
	233-769 (223 K), 241-760 (203 K)			
SO_2	239–395	1-2	293, 273, 243, 223, 203	2
OClO	290.5-460	1-3	293	1
H_2CO	247.3-400	1-2	293	1
O ₂	235-389 (293 K), 235-440 (243 K), 650-799.6	1, 4	293, 243, 203	1
	(293, 243 K), 235-330 (203 K), 650-787			
	(203 K)			
H_2O	1940–2040	7	293	2
CO ₂	1945-1980, 1995-2032	7	293, 243	2–4
CO	2300-2380	8	293, 243	2-3
N_2O	2265-2300	8	293, 243	1-2
CH_4	2265–2380	8	293, 243	2-4



Conclusions for "new" O_3 cross-sections

- cover broad spectral range (0.2-1.2 μm)
- cover most atmospheric temperatures
- from different instruments
 - GOME-FM (resolution 0.2-0.4 nm)
 - FTS (resolution 0.01-0.10 nm)
 - SCIAMACHY (resolution 0.2-0.4 nm)
- but: they are still not "perfect"
 - straylight and "baseline" issues
 - consistency (differences)
 - temperature range (all above 200 K)

2. O₃ (and NO₂) "Critical Review" for ESA

- review by R. Hudson (about 1990)
- initiated by ESA/ESTEC (C. Readings)
- work started in 2000 (T.O. J. Callies)
- final presentation in 2001 (GOME SAG)
- published as ESA "Technical Report"
- shorter summary published in 2003 (JPP-A)
- over 60 times cited (> 10 per year)



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A critical review of the absorption cross-sections of O_3 and NO_2 in the ultraviolet and visible^{\ddagger}

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Abstract

The available laboratory measurements of UV-Vis (240–790 nm) absorption cross-sections of O_3 and NO_2 are critically reviewed taking into account the variation of the cross-sections with temperature (in the 200–300 K range) and with total pressure (<1 atm). © 2003 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

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Table 6-1: Comparison of the O3 cross-sections at 298±5K at 253.65 nm					
Value in 10 ⁻²⁰ cm ²	Uncertainty in 10 ⁻²⁰ cm ²	Temperature in K	Deviation from mean value	Reference	
1140	57 (5.0%)	300	-0.1%	Inn & Tanaka	
1147	24 (2.1%)	295	+0.5%	Hearn	
1156	46 (4.0%)	298	+1.3%	De More & Raper	
1129	17 (1.5%)	303	-1.0%	Griggs	
1145	24 (2.1%)	293	+0.4%	Bass&Paur	
1157	12 (1.0%)	298	+1.4%	Molina & Molina	
1137	6 (0.5%)	297	-0.4%	Mauersberger et al.	
1131	8 (0.7%)	297	-0.9%	Mauersberger et al.	
1136	6 (0.5%)	297	-0.4%	Mauersberger et al.	
1145	8 (0.7%)	295	+0.4%	Yoshino et al.	
1143	11 (1.0%)	295	+0.2%	Yoshino et al.	
1126	20 (1.8%)	295	-1.3%	Malicet et al.	
1130.5	11 (1.0%)	295	-0.9%	Brion et al.	
1137	30 (2.6%)	293	-0.4%	Richter et al.	
1150	30 (2.6%)	293	+0.8%	Burrows et al.	

1137	46 (4.0%)	293	-0.4%	Voigt et al.		
1145	11 (2.0%)	293	+0.4%	Bogumil et al.		
Mean value o	of all measurement	ts: 114	41 ± 9 (1σ = 0.8%	6) No: 17		
Mean without IUP data: ⁽¹⁾			40 ± 10 (1σ = 0.9%	6) No: 13		
Mean without	6) No: 13					
⁽¹⁾ without Richter et al., Burrows et al., Voigt et al., and Bogumil et al.						
⁽²⁾ without Bass&Paur, Richter et al., Voigt et al., and Bogumil et al.						
Data in the interval [–1.5%, –1.0%]: 1						
Data in the interval [–1.0%, –0.5%]:			3			
Data in the interval [–0.5%, ±0.0%]:			5			
Data in the in	terval [±0.0%, +0.	5				
Data in the interval [±0.5%, +1.0%]:			1			
Data in the in	terval [±1.0%, +1.	5%]:	2			





Table 6-11: Average absorption cross-sections of $O_3^{(1)}$ at 298±5 K					
Wavelength in nm	Value in 10 ⁻²⁰ cm ²	Uncertainty in 10 ⁻²⁰ cm ²	Uncertainty in %	Number of exp. data	Dispersion of exp. data
253.65	1141	10	0.9	17	[–1.3%, +1.4%]
289.36	149	3	2.0	13	[-3.4%, +3.4%]
296.73	60.3	0.9	1.6	13	[-5.2%, +4.2%]
302.15	29.2	0.5	1.8	12	[–2.7%, +4.1%]
543.52	0.0314	4×10 ⁻⁴	1.4	8	[–1.4%, +1.9%]
576.96	0.0477	4×10 ⁻⁴	0.8	10	[–6.1%, +1.9%]
594.10	0.0470	6×10 ⁻⁴	1.2	8	[–1.9%, +2.1%]
604.61	0.0522	5×10 ⁻⁴	0.9	7	[–2.5%, +0.9%]
611.97	0.0466	4×10 ⁻⁴	0.7	7	[-2.5%, +0.9%]
632.82	0.0346	4×10 ⁻⁴	1.2	7	[–1.2%, +2.3%]

 $^{(1)}$ The cross sections are given in units of 10^{-20} cm².
Table 6-12: Ab	sorption c	ross-section	s ⁽¹⁾ of O ₃ at r	oom temp	perature (2	298±5 K) and con	nparison to a	average valu	es (differen	ces in %)
wavelength in nm	Mean value	Bass and Paur	Molina and Molina	Brion et al.	Brion et al.	Burkholder and Talukdar	Richter et al.	Burrows et al.	Voigt et al.	Bogumil et al.
253.65	1141	1145	1157	1130.5	-	-	1137	1150	1137	1145
	±0.9%	+0.4%	+1.4%	-0.9%			-0.4%	+0.8%	-0.4%	+0.4%
289.36	149	150	154	151	-	-	150	151	154	151
	±2.0%	+0.7%	+3.4%	+1.3%			+0.7%	+1.3%	+3.4%	+1.3%
296.73	60.3	60.7	62.3	61.5	-	-	60.7	61.0	61.7	61.4
	±1.6%	+0.7%	+3.3%	+2.0%			+1.5%	+2.0%	+3.2%	+2.7%
302.15	29.2	29.4	30.1	29.8	-	-	29.5	29.9	30.4	29.8
	±1.8%	+0.7%	+3.1%	+2.1%			+1.0%	+2.4%	+4.1%	+2.1%
543.52	0.0314	-	-	-	0.0312	0.0308	0.0318	0.0317	0.0315	0.0315
	±1.3%				±0.0%	-1.9%	+1.3%	+1.0%	+0.3%	+0.3%
576.96	0.0477	-	-	-	0.0477	0.0469	0.0484	0.0483	0.0483	0.0484
	±0.8%				±0.0%	-1.2%	+1.5%	+1.3%	+1.3%	+1.5%
594.10	0.0470	-	-	-	0.0468	0.0464	0.0475	0.0476	0.0475	0.0473
	±1.2%				-0.4%	-1.3%	+1.1%	+1.3%	+1.1%	+0.6%
604.61	0.0522	-	-	-	0.0518	0.0509	0.0523	0.0524	0.0526	0.0526
	±1.0%				-0.8%	-2.5%	+0.2%	+0.4%	+0.8%	+0.8%
611.97	0.0466	-	-	-	0.0463	0.0453	0.0463	0.0469	0.0468	0.0469
	±0.7%				-0.6%	-2.8%	-0.6%	+0.6%	+0.4%	+0.6%
632.82	0.0346	-	-	-	0.0339	0.0335	0.0346	0.0350	0.0347	0.0349
	±1.2%				-2.0%	-3.2%	±0.0%	+1.1%	+0.3%	+0.9%
Mean deviatio	ons :	+0.6%	+2.8%	+1.1%	-0.6%	-2.2%	+0.6%	+1.2%	+1.5%	+1.1%

 $^{(1)}$ The cross sections are given in units of $10^{\text{-}20}~\text{cm}^2.$

Figure 6-11: NLS-fit of O₃ absorption cross-sections at 298±5 K in the Huggins bands (323–343 nm): *Bass and Paur* compared to *Burrows et al.*



Figure 6-9: NLS-fit of O₃ absorption cross-sections at 298±5 K in the Huggins bands (323–343 nm): *Bass and Paur* compared to *Brion et al.*



Table 6-14: Comparison of O_3 cross-sections in the Huggins bands at 298±5 K using a non-linear least-squares fit approach

Reference 1	Reference 2	Shift in nm	Scaling Factor	Scale to Mean
-	Bass and Paur	-	1.000	0.996
Bass and Paur	Brion et al.	-0.043	1.001	0.997
Bass and Paur	Voigt et al.	-0.029	0.956	0.953
Bass and Paur	Richter et al.	-0.013	1.014	1.010
Bass and Paur	Burrows et al.	-0.013	1.002	0.965
Bass and Paur	Bogumil et al.	-0.015	1.049	1.045
			Mean: 1.004 ± 0.03	30

Figure 5-3: relative change of the O₃ spectrum (source: *Bass and Paur*, spectral resolution less than 0.025 nm) after wavelength shifts of –0.05 nm and –0.01 nm, respectively



Figure 7-1: Relative changes of the O₃ cross-sections compared to the values at room temperature in the region 240–350 nm (source: *Bass and Paur*)



Figure 7-4: Relative changes of the O₃ cross-sections compared to the values at room temperature in the region 240–350 nm (source: *Burrows et al.*)



Figure 7-7: Relative changes of the O₃ cross-sections compared to the values at room temperature in the region 400–790 nm (source: *Burkholder and Talukdar*)



	Table 7-13: Rel	lative differences in	the cross-section	ns of O ₃ at differer	nt temperatures in	the Huggins band	s (323–343 nm)
	Reference 1	Reference 2	295 K	273 K	243 K	223 K	203 K
	-	Bass and Paur	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.999	1.000
<	Bass and Paur	Brion et al.	1.001	0.998	0.995	0.992	->
	Bass and Paul	Voigt et al.	0.956	1.040	1.063	1.070	1.195
	Bass and Paur	Richter et al.	1.014	1.013	1.016	1.018	1.011
<	Bass and Paur	Burrows et al.	1.002	0.989	0.992	0.995	0.983
	Bass and Paul	Begumil et al.	1.049	1.050	1.065	1.090	1.077

Table 7-14: Wavelength shifts (in nm) in the cross-sections of O₃ at different temperatures in the Huggins bands (323–343 nm)

Reference 1	Reference 2	295 K	273 K	243 K	223 K	203 K
-	Bass and Paur	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Bass and Paur	Brion et al.	-0.043	-0.027	-0.022	-0.026	_
Bass and Paur	Voigt et al.	-0.029	-0.030	-0.032	-0.037	-0.047
Bass and Paur	Richter et al.	-0.013	-0.007	-0.007	-0.012	-0.015
Bass and Paur	Burrows et al.	-0.013	-0.007	-0.007	-0.012	-0.015
Bass and Paur	Bogumil et al.	-0.015	-0.014	-0.017	-0.025	-0.021



Recommendations from the ESA Review

- define an O_3 absorption standard
- take care of temperature dependence
- check resolution and λ calibration
- analyse field measurements for biases
- make new laboratory mesurements for
 - more accurate absolute values
 - temperature dependence of Chappuis
 - consistency of Huggins and Chappuis
 - consistency of UV/IR, UV/MW, etc.

3. Spectral consistency of O_3 cross sections

- UV/IR: Dufour et al., 2004
- UV/IR: Picquet-Varrault et al., 2005
- UV/IR: Ibrahim et al., 2006
- UV/VIS (GOME-2): Gür et al., 2006

O₃ IR/UV intercomparison: motivation

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Retrieval of tropospheric ozone: The synergistic use of thermal infrared emission and ultraviolet reflectivity measurements from space

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Abstract

We investigate the synergistic use of ultraviolet reflectivity measurements in the spectral range of 290–320 nm and the thermal emission spectra at the 9.6- μ m ozone absorption band for the retrieval of vertical distribution of tropospheric ozone from satellite observations. Retrievals of vertical ozone profiles are performed from simulated measurements for different atmospheric conditions. The retrievals show that the use of measurements of both spectral ranges can improve significantly the retrieved ozone in the lowest 5 km of the troposphere. Here largest improvements are found for tropical temperature distributions and for a low thermal contrast in the lower troposphere. So the use of both spectral bands may help to improve the remote sensing of tropospheric ozone from space.

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O_3 IR/UV intercomparison: motivation



Figure 2. Examples of averaging kernels. (left) Averaging kernels for an OMI and TES synthetic ozone profile retrieval for the ozone estimate at 30.5 degrees latitude shown in Figure 1. (middle, right) Averaging kernels for this same scene but assuming a TES and OMI sounding of this scene, respectively.

O_3 IR/UV intercomparison: motivation



O₃ IR/UV intercomparison: experimental set-up



O3 IR/UV intercomparison: experimental set-up



O3 IR/UV intercomparison: experimental set-up





theoritical spectrum calculated from the HITRAN database (b). Plot c corresponds to a - b.



TABLE 2: Comparison of IR/UV Absorption Ratios Obtained by This Study with the Ratios IBI_{IR}/σ_{UV} Derived from the Literature

				for given lit. data set ^a							
$\lambda_{\rm UV}(nm)$	this work	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
302.15	52.3	51.3	51.6	51.9	51.2	49.3	49.6	49.8	49.2		
307.59	111.9	110.6	110.5	112.2	110.3	106.3	106.1	107.8	106.0		
308.08	115.5	113.6	113.7	115.4	113.2	109.1	109.2	110.9	108.7		
312.57	217.6	214.3	215.8	217.0	214.6	205.9	207.3	208.5	206.2		
313.17	230.4	226.3	226.3	229.4	227.3	217.5	217.5	220.4	218.4		

^{*a*} Literature data sets: (1) HITRAN 2000/Malicet et al., 1995; (2) HITRAN 2000/Bass and Paur, 1985; (3) HITRAN 2000/Bogumil et al., 2001; (4) HITRAN 2000/Burrows et al., 1999; (5) Flaud et al., 2003/Malicet et al., 1995; (6) Flaud et al., 2003/Bass and Paur, 1985; (7) Flaud et al., 2003/Bogumil et al., 2001; (8) Flaud et al., 2003/Burrows et al., 1999.

TABLE 3: Differences (%) between IR/UV Absorption Ratios Measured in This Study and the IBI_{IR}/σ_{UV} Ratios Derived from Literature Values

$\lambda_{\rm UV}({\rm nm})$	for given lit. data set ^a								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
302.15	1.88	1.33	0.79	2.15	6.04	5.47	4.90	6.32	
307.59	1.18	1.32	-0.21	1.47	5.31	5.46	3.86	5.61	
308.08	1.68	1.60	0.09	2.05	5.83	5.75	4.18	6.22	
312.57	1.57	0.86	0.29	1.43	5.72	4.98	4.38	5.57	
313.17	1.78	1.78	0.42	1.33	5.93	5.93	4.52	5.46	
average	1.62	1.38	0.28	1.69	5.76	5.52	4.37	5.84	

^a Literature data sets: (1) HITRAN 2000/Malicet et al., 1995; (2) HITRAN 2000/Bess and Paur, 1985; (3) HITRAN 2000/Bogumil et al., 2001; (4) HITRAN 2000/Burrows et al., 1999; (5) Flaud et al., 2003/Malicet et al., 1995; (6) Flaud et al., 2003/Bass and Paur, 1985; (7) Flaud et al., 2003/Bogumil et al., 2001; (8) Flaud et al., 2003/Burrows et al., 1999.

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Laboratory Intercomparison of the Ozone Absorption Coefficients in the Mid-infrared (10 μ m) and Ultraviolet (300–350 nm) Spectral Regions

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For the measurement of atmospheric ozone concentrations, the mid-infrared and ultraviolet regions are both used by ground-, air-, or satellite-borne instruments. In this study we report the first laboratory intercomparison of the ozone absorption coefficients using simultaneous measurements in these spectral regions. The intercomparison shows good agreement (around 98.5%) between the HITRAN 2000 recommendation for the mid-infrared and the most reference measurements in the ultraviolet regions, whereas systematic differences of about 5.5% are observed when using the recommendation of HITRAN2003 for the mid-infrared. Possible reasons for this discrepancy are discussed. Future measurements are clearly needed to resolve this issue.

Difference of about 5 %: new measurements needed!









What is seen in atmospheric ozone data?

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Comparison of ground-based Brewer and FTIR total O₃ monitoring techniques

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The Brewer-FTIR comparison confirms the theoretical prediction of Schneider and Hase (2007). However, there are significant systematic differences between both datasets: The FTIR observing system measures systematically 4.7% more O₃ than the Brewer system. Systematic differences may be produced by errors in the applied spectroscopic parameterisation. The HITRAN data (Rothman et al., 2005) applied by the FTIR algorithm are assumed to have an accuracy of around 2%. If we make a similar systematic error assumption for the Bass and Paur (1985) cross sections applied by the Brewer algorithm our observation would exceed the range expected from inconsistencies in the applied spectroscopic data. Consequently, these error assumptions are either too optimistic or the observed differences are partly due to other systematic errors sources, like errors in the characterisation of the instruments.

Conclusions from UV/IR intercomparison

- depend on spectral regions
 - Hartley / Huggins / Chappuis for UV-VIS
 - 10 or 5 microns bands for IR
- possible <u>systematic</u> difference of about 5%
- more <u>laboratory</u> studies needed

O_3 cross-sections in spectroscopy databases



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Ultraviolet and visible absorption cross-sections for HITRAN

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5. Needs for future improvements

The overwhelming need for atmospheric measurements in the UV-Vis is to obtain improved cross-sections of ozone using FTS measurements [106]. Wavelength coverage of 240–1000 nm is required, at 0.01 nm spectral resolution or better. Absolute intensities should be accurate to at least 2% through the Hartley–Huggins and Chappuis bands (relative to the band maxima). Vacuum wavelength accuracy should be better than 0.001 nm, reflecting the accuracy to which atmospheric spectra can be calibrated using correlation with the Fraunhofer spectrum [107]. Measurements should be made over the 200–300 K temperature range. Particular care has to be paid to avoid baseline uncertainties which are a major source of systematic errors in such measurements [37]. An additional high-priority need is for an extraterrestrial solar reference spectrum with similar

characteristics [106]. This will provide for accurate wavelength calibration of field spectra, including satellite spectra [107], improved characterization of the Ring effect, improved knowledge of instrument transfer functions, and correction of instrument undersampling [108]. It may also provide for improved modeling of atmospheric photochemistry due to absorption of solar radiation in the regions of the Schumann–Runge and Herzberg systems of O_2 [109,110].

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4.2. UV cross-sections

UV cross-sections for a number of molecules were introduced in the 2004 edition of HITRAN [1]. They were intended to represent the most useful data for analysis of atmospheric measurements, including ground-based and satellite-based spectroscopic measurements of the atmosphere [330]. Several updates are included in the present version of HITRAN, as presented here. Several current studies with potential implications for near-future updates are also discussed.

4.2.1. O₃

The Hartley–Huggins bands of ozone, adopted from Bass and Paur [331], with wavelength correction as discussed in [1] remain the HITRAN2008 choice. There is now substantial indication that shifting to new cross-sections will soon be warranted [332], with the likely choice being those from Ref. [333].

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Conclusions

1. "New" O₃ cross-sections since 1999 Progress, but many requirements are not met.

2. "Critical Review" for ESA (2003)
Problems all around. Who defines O₃ "standard" ?

3. Are the O_3 reference data consistent? Probably not to the 1-2 % level.

4. Need for peer-reviewed recommendations.