

Schwingungsspektren und Normalkoordinatenanalyse der Tetrahalogeno-*closo*-1,2-diphosphahexaborane $P_2B_4X_4$, X = Cl, Br

Vibrational Spectra and Normal Coordinate Analysis of the
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High resolution vibrational spectra of the tetrahalogeno-*closo*-1,2-diphosphahexaboranes $P_2B_4X_4$, X = Cl, Br have been measured at low temperatures (20 - 60 K). The boron-halogen stretching vibrations are observed below 370 cm^{-1} while the P-P valence vibrations are found at 414 (Cl) and $372\text{ cm}^{-1}\text{ (Br)}$. Due to the presence of the boron isotopes ^{10}B and ^{11}B the P-P stretching vibrations and the cage modes in the region of $550\text{ to }1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$ are split. Based on the crystallographic data of $P_2B_4Cl_4$ normal coordinate analyses have been performed. Using a set of 16 force constants (e.g. $f_d(\text{PP}) = 1.35\text{ (X = Cl)}$ and 1.20 (Br) , $f_d(\text{BB}) = 1.30 / 1.65\text{ (Cl)}$ and $1.45 / 1.60\text{ (Br)}$, $f_d(\text{BX}) = 4.40\text{ (Cl)}$ and 3.53 (Br) mdyne / Å) a good agreement of observed and calculated frequencies has been achieved.