

Ground-based IR observation of oxygen isotope ratios in the Venus atmosphere (revised)

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The oxygen isotope ratios $^{17}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}$ and $^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}$ in the Venus atmosphere were measured simultaneously by ground-based IR spectroscopy. The CO_2 absorption lines in the 2648 cm^{-1} (for $^{17}\text{O}/^{18}\text{O}$) and 4582 cm^{-1} (for $^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}$) regions were observed using the IRTF/CSHELL spectrometer. The deviations of the isotope fractions are found to be $\delta^{17}\text{O} = +92 \pm 158$ permil and $\delta^{18}\text{O} = -42 \pm 85$ permil as compared to the terrestrial standard (HITRAN 2012) where the uncertainties include both random and systematic errors. Such combination agrees with the Earth-Moon fractionation line within the errors. This is consistent to the fact that the proto-Venus matter was also well mixed with the proto-Earth-Moon matter.

