

The Low Terms in Cr III, Cr IV, Mn IV and Fe V

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Most of the strong lines arising from the d^3 , d^2s and d^24p configurations of Cr IV and the d^4 , d^3s and d^34p configurations of Cr III, Mn IV and Fe V have been classified. The presence of forbidden lines of these ions in astronomical sources is discussed.

AS previously pointed out¹ the doubly and more highly ionized ions of the elements Cr to Zn are the only astronomically abundant ions whose low metastable terms have not been completely enough located to determine whether forbidden transitions from these terms are represented in the spectra of nebulae, novae, the corona etc. The present paper reports the results of the second of a series² of investigations whose purpose is to supply this deficiency.

White has made a fairly extensive analysis of Cr III³ and Cr IV.⁴ He did not, however, locate the stable $d^4 \ ^5D$ terms in Cr III and his very doubtful identification of intercombination lines in Cr IV has since proved incorrect. These earlier analyses did not, therefore, provide information for the location of any forbidden transitions from the metastable states in the astronomically

observable range. In both Mn IV and Fe V White³ identified the lines of one multiplet involving high level terms only.

Table I gives the newly identified lines of Cr IV and Table II the term values fixed both by them and by the lines previously classified by White. The wave-lengths are not of as high an accuracy as might be desired as they were measured on low dispersion (16.7Å per mm) plates which were taken for another purpose. The classification of the lines was based on an interpolation between V III and Mn V and Fe VI and could therefore be made with great definiteness. In particular over 25 intercombination lines were available to fix the relative positions of the doublet and quartet terms.

The newly identified lines of Cr III and all classified lines of Mn IV and Fe V are listed in Tables III, IV and V, respectively. In Table VI are given the corresponding term values of these ions. The lines of wave-length less than 625Å

¹ I. S. Bowen, Rev. Mod. Phys. 8, 79 (1936).
² I. S. Bowen, Phys. Rev. 47, 924 (1935).
³ H. E. White, Phys. Rev. 33, 914 (1929).
⁴ H. E. White, Phys. Rev. 33, 672 (1929).

TABLE I. Classified lines of Cr IV.

INT.	λ	ν	CLASSIFICATION		INT.	λ	ν	CLASSIFICATION		INT.	λ	ν	CLASSIFICATION	
			d^3	d^24p				d^3	d^24p				d^24s	d^24p
2	573.82	174271	$^4F_{3/2} - (^3P)^4D_{3/2}$		4	625.08	159980	$^4F_{4/2} - (^3F)^2F_{3/2}$		2	1722.84	58044	$(^3F)^4F_{3/2} - (^3F)^2D_{3/2}$	
5	575.11	173880	$^4F_{4/2} - (^3P)^4D_{3/2}$		2	625.40	159898	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3P)^4D_{2/2}$		4	1733.93	57673	$(^3F)^4F_{3/2} - (^3F)^2D_{3/2}$	
1	575.88	173647	$^4F_{1/2} - (^3P)^4D_{1/2}$		4	625.95	159757	$^4F_{3/2} - (^3F)^2F_{2/2}$		5	1739.17	57499	$(^3F)^4F_{1/2} - (^3F)^4D_{1/2}$	
3	576.30	173521	$^4F_{3/2} - (^3P)^4D_{3/2}$		1	626.58	159597	$^4P_{3/2} - (^3P)^4D_{1/2}$		7	1746.94	57243	$(^3F)^4F_{3/2} - (^3F)^4D_{3/2}$	
3	576.68	173406	$^4F_{2/2} - (^3P)^4D_{1/2}$					$^4P_{2/2} - (^3P)^4D_{3/2}$		5	1754.74	56989	$(^3F)^4F_{1/2} - (^3F)^4D_{1/2}$	
3	595.09	168042	$^2G_{4/2} - (^1G)^2H_{3/2}$		2	636.92	157006	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3P)^4S_{1/2}$		6	1758.47	56868	$(^3F)^4F_{3/2} - (^3F)^4D_{3/2}$	
5	612.70	163212	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3P)^4P_{2/2}$		3	637.40	156887	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3P)^4S_{1/2}$		5	1762.79	56728	$(^3F)^4F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4D_{1/2}$	
4	613.76	162930	$^4P_{2/2} - (^3P)^4P_{2/2}$		5	637.64	156828	$^2H_{4/2} - (^1G)^2G_{3/2}$		2	1775.87	56310	$(^3F)^4F_{3/2} - (^3F)^2F_{3/2}$	
4	614.09	162843	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3P)^4P_{1/2}$		5	638.16	156701	$^2H_{3/2} - (^1G)^2G_{4/2}$		3	1783.98	56054	$(^3F)^4F_{2/2} - (^3F)^2F_{2/2}$	
			$^2G_{3/2} - (^1G)^2G_{3/2}$		3	638.61	156590	$^4P_{2/2} - (^3P)^4S_{1/2}$		4	1791.04	55834	$(^3F)^4F_{4/2} - (^3F)^2F_{3/2}$	
0	614.51	162731	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3P)^4P_{1/2}$		3	675.14	148117	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3F)^2D_{2/2}$		1	1796.09	55677	$(^3F)^4F_{4/2} - (^3F)^2F_{2/2}$	
4	614.95	162615	$^4P_{3/2} - (^3P)^4P_{3/2}$		2	676.47	147826	$^4P_{2/2} - (^3F)^2D_{2/2}$		1	1910.21	52350	$(^3F)^2F_{3/2} - (^3F)^2D_{2/2}$	
3	615.36	162507	$^2G_{4/2} - (^1G)^2G_{4/2}$		5	677.60	147580	$^4P_{2/2} - (^3F)^4D_{3/2}$		0	1918.59	52122	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4D_{2/2}$	
3	615.68	162422	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3P)^4P_{1/2}$		4	678.87	147304	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3F)^4D_{2/2}$		4	1937.65	51609	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^2D_{2/2}$	
3	615.68	162422	$^4P_{2/2} - (^3P)^4P_{1/2}$		0	679.19	147234	$^2G_{3/2} - (^3F)^2D_{2/2}$		2	1939.76	51553	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4D_{2/2}$	
5	616.82	162122	$^2H_{4/2} - (^1G)^2H_{3/2}$		2	680.19	147018	$^2G_{3/2} - (^3F)^4D_{3/2}$		3	1946.59	51372	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4D_{2/2}$	
3	617.06	162059	$^4F_{2/2} - (^3P)^2D_{2/2}$					$^4P_{2/2} - (^3F)^4D_{2/2}$		3	1968.42	50802	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4D_{2/2}$	
4	618.23	161752	$^4F_{2/2} - (^3P)^2D_{2/2}$		5B	680.83	146880	$^4P_{3/2} - (^3F)^4D_{1/2}$		0	2033.74	49171	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4F_{4/2}$	
1	620.20	161238	$^4F_{2/2} - (^3P)^4D_{2/2}$		2	681.20	146800	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3F)^4D_{1/2}$		2	2042.99	48948	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4F_{3/2}$	
5	621.41	160924	$^4F_{2/2} - (^3P)^4D_{2/2}$		3	681.88	146653	$^2G_{4/2} - (^3F)^4D_{3/2}$		2	2055.51	48650	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4F_{3/2}$	
4	622.13	160738	$^4F_{2/2} - (^3P)^4D_{1/2}$		4	682.82	146451	$^2G_{3/2} - (^3F)^4D_{2/2}$		0	2058.20	48586	$(^3F)^2F_{2/2} - (^3F)^4F_{1/2}$	
3	623.39	160362	$^4P_{2/2} - (^3P)^4D_{3/2}$					$^4P_{2/2} - (^3F)^2F_{2/2}$						
			$^4F_{3/2} - (^3F)^2F_{3/2}$		1	684.35	146124	$^4P_{1/2} - (^3F)^2F_{2/2}$						

B. Too strong, probably a blend.

TABLE II. Term values of Cr IV.

$d^3\ ^4F_{13}$	0	$d^2(^3F)4p^4F_{13}$	158515
$^4F_{23}$	237	$^4F_{23}$	158880
$^4F_{33}$	553	$^4F_{33}$	159341
$^4F_{43}$	949	$^4F_{43}$	159855
4P_3	14058	$^2F_{23}$	160299
$^4P_{13}$	14177	$^2F_{33}$	160929
$^4P_{23}$	14476	$^4D_{13}$	160972
$^2G_{33}$	15056	$^4D_{23}$	161486
$^2G_{43}$	15405	$^4D_{33}$	162058
$^2H_{43}$	21067	$^2D_{23}$	162294
$^2H_{53}$	21320	$^2G_{33}$	164905
$d^2(^3F)4s^4F_{13}$	103983	$^2G_{43}$	165425
$^4F_{23}$	104245	$d^2(^3P)4p^4S_{13}$	171065
$^4F_{33}$	104620	$^4D_{13}$	173645
$^4F_{43}$	105096	$^4D_{23}$	174074
$^2F_{23}$	109935	$^4D_{33}$	174827
$^2F_{33}$	110685	4P_4	176684
$d^2(^3F)4p^4G_{23}$	157347	$^4P_{13}$	176903
$^4G_{33}$	157923	$^4P_{23}$	177398
$^4G_{43}$	158619	$d^2(^1G)4p^2G_{33}$	177895
$^4G_{53}$	159441	$^2G_{43}$	178021
		$^2H_{53}$	183445

normal incidence gratings having dispersions of 16.7 and 3.5A per mm. Unfortunately the grating with the 3.5A per mm dispersion formed ghosts of enough strength to prove somewhat troublesome in the analysis of a complicated spectrum.

Because of the overlapping of the $d^3(^4F)4p^5F$, 5D and 3D terms the intensities of the lines in the multiplets involving these terms are quite anomalous. Some ambiguity exists therefore as to the assignment of some of these levels. There is also some uncertainty as to whether the terms designated as $d^3(^2H)4p^3G$ should be given this classification or should be assigned to $d^3(^2H)4p^3H$.

Tables II and VI provide the data for fixing the wave-lengths of most of the strong forbidden lines corresponding to transitions from the low metastable states of these ions. In general a comparison of these wave-lengths with the observed spectra of various astronomical sources, in which forbidden lines are known to appear, has not yielded significant coincidences. In the case of the 1931-32 spectra of Nova Pictoris,⁵ which

⁵ H. Spencer Jones, M. N. R. A. S. 92, 728 (1932).

were measured on plates which were taken on a 2 meter grazing incidence spectrograph and which have a dispersion from 1.5 to 2A per mm. The longer wave-lengths were obtained with two

TABLE III. Classified lines of Cr III.

INT.	λ	ν	CLASSIFICATION		INT.	λ	ν	CLASSIFICATION		INT.	λ	ν	CLASSIFICATION		
			d^4	d^34p				d^4	d^34p				d^4	d^34p	
4	920.697	108613.4	$^5D_2 - (^4P)^3P_3$		2	1033.944	96717.0	$^5D_1 - (^4F)^3F_1$		2	1268.033	78862.3	$^3P_2 - (^4F)^3D_3$		
6	922.158	108441.3	$^4D_3 - (^4P)^3P_3$		4	1035.244	96595.6	$^5D_2 - (^4F)^3F_1$		1	1273.314	78535.2	$^3P_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
4	922.527	108397.9	$^5D_1 - (^4P)^3P_2$		5	1035.516	96570.2	$^5D_2 - (^4F)^3F_2$					$^3F_4 - (^4F)^3F_3$		
6	923.549	108278.0	$^5D_2 - (^4P)^3P_2$		2	1035.743	96549.0	$^5D_1 - (^4F)^3F_3$		1	1275.344	78410.2	$^3F_3 - (^4F)^3F_2$		
2	923.787	108250.1	$^5D_0 - (^4P)^3P_1$		8	1035.901	96534.3	$^5D_2 - (^4F)^3D_3$		2B	1276.756	78323.5	$^3F_2 - (^4F)^3F_1$		
7	924.044	108220.0	$^5D_1 - (^4P)^3P_3$		8	1036.010	96524.2	$^5D_4 - (^4F)^3D_4$		0	1278.676	78205.9	$^3F_3 - (^4F)^3D_3$		
2	924.307	108189.2	$^5D_1 - (^4P)^3P_1$		5	1037.768	96360.7	$^5D_3 - (^4F)^3D_3$		2	1279.890	78131.7	$^3F_4 - (^4F)^3D_3$		
5	925.011	108106.8	$^5D_3 - (^4P)^3P_2$		5	1038.124	96327.6	$^5D_1 - (^4F)^3D_2$		1	1283.12	77935.0	$^3F_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
3	925.323	108070.4	$^5D_2 - (^4P)^3P_1$		0	1039.398	96209.5	$^5D_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		2	1284.108	77875.1	$^3F_3 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
7	966.216	103496.5	$^3H_4 - (^2H)^3G_3$		4	1040.012	96152.7	$^5D_0 - (^4F)^3D_1$							
1	966.393	103477.6	$^3H_4 - (^2H)^3G_4$		3	1040.131	96141.7	$^5D_4 - (^4F)^3D_3$							
8	967.531	103355.9	$^3H_5 - (^2H)^3G_4$		0	1040.649	96093.9	$^5D_1 - (^4F)^3D_1$							
1	968.010	103304.7	$^3H_5 - (^2H)^3G_5$		2	1041.302	96033.6	$^5D_3 - (^4F)^3D_2$		0	1986.92	50329.2	$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3G_5$		
8	969.255	103172.0	$^3H_6 - (^2H)^3G_5$		1	1041.962	95972.8	$^5D_2 - (^4F)^3D_1$		1	1989.06	50275.0	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3G_4$		
6	999.332	100066.8	$^3G_3 - (^2H)^3G_3$		1	1058.626	94462.0	$^3H_5 - (^2G)^3G_5$		1	1999.53	50011.8	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3G_3$		
1	999.513	100048.7	$^3G_3 - (^2H)^3G_4$		7	1060.115	94329.4	$^3H_6 - (^2G)^3G_5$					$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3G_4$		
6B	1000.812	99918.9	$^3G_4 - (^2H)^3G_3$		6	1060.999	94250.8	$^3H_5 - (^2G)^3G_4$					$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3G_5$		
6	1001.010	99899.1	$^3G_4 - (^2H)^3G_4$		5	1062.636	94105.6	$^3H_4 - (^2G)^3G_5$		0	2010.12	49748.3	$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3G_3$		
2	1001.490	99851.2	$^3G_4 - (^2H)^3G_5$		4	1072.080	93276.6	$^3F_4 - (^2G)^3G_6$		2B	2011.85	49705.5	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3G_4$		
			$^3D_4 - (^4F)^3G_5$		4	1073.699	93136.0	$^3F_3 - (^2G)^3G_4$		1	2091.43	47814.2	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
4	1002.437	99756.9	$^3D_3 - (^4F)^3G_4$		1	1074.508	93065.8	$^3F_4 - (^2G)^3G_4$		1	2097.36	47679.0	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
			$^3G_5 - (^2H)^3G_4$		5	1076.120	92926.4	$^3F_2 - (^2G)^3G_3$		4	2101.14	47593.2	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3D_3$		
8	1002.901	99710.7	$^3G_5 - (^2H)^3G_5$		1	1098.849	91004.3	$^3G_4 - (^2G)^3G_5$		2	2101.46	47585.9	$(^4F)^3F_1 - (^4F)^3D_1$		
3	1003.370	99664.1	$^3D_2 - (^4F)^3G_2$		4	1100.553	90863.4	$^3G_5 - (^2G)^3G_5$		4	2106.24	47477.9	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
4	1025.584	97505.4	$^3D_2 - (^4F)^3D_3$		3	1101.392	90794.2	$^3G_4 - (^2G)^3G_4$		3	2107.48	47450.1	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3D_1$		
3	1027.412	97331.9	$^3D_3 - (^4F)^3D_3$		3	1102.847	90674.4	$^3G_5 - (^2G)^3G_3$		0	2127.64	47000.5	$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3D_4$		
5	1028.293	97248.5	$^3D_1 - (^4F)^3D_2$		0	1104.653	90526.2	$^3G_4 - (^2G)^3G_3$		7	2141.84	46688.9	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3D_4$		
3	1029.514	97133.2	$^3D_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		0	1204.422	83027.4	$^3H_5 - (^4F)^3G_5$		1	2143.28	46657.4	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3D_3$		
4	1029.777	97108.4	$^3D_4 - (^4F)^3D_3$		8	1206.433	82889.0	$^3H_6 - (^4F)^3G_5$		7	2144.84	46623.5	$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3D_3$		
3	1030.065	97081.3	$^3D_0 - (^4F)^3D_1$		6	1209.114	82705.2	$^3H_4 - (^4F)^3G_4$		5	2147.86	46557.9	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
7	1030.428	97047.1	$^3D_4 - (^4F)^3F_5$		5	1211.098	82569.7	$^3H_4 - (^4F)^3G_3$		4	2149.35	46525.9	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3D_1$		
4	1030.854	97006.9	$^3D_3 - (^4F)^3F_4$		4	1247.826	80139.4	$^3P_1 - (^4F)^3D_2$		0	2496.41	40057.5	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
1	1031.418	96953.9	$^3D_3 - (^4F)^3D_2$		1	1251.401	79910.4	$^3P_1 - (^4F)^3D_1$		0	2504.59	39926.7	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3F_2$		
1	1031.522	96944.1	$^3D_2 - (^4F)^3F_3$		5	1252.597	79834.1	$^3P_2 - (^4F)^3D_3$		2	2516.65	39735.4	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3F_2$		
0	1031.962	96902.8	$^3D_2 - (^4F)^3D_1$		2B	1253.655	79766.8	$^3P_1 - (^4F)^3F_2$		3	2517.54	39721.3	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3F_3$		
1	1032.382	96863.4	$^3D_1 - (^4F)^3F_2$		0	1256.066	79613.7	$^3P_1 - (^4F)^3F_1$		3	2518.99	39698.4	$(^4F)^3F_2 - (^4F)^3F_3$		
8	1033.183	96788.3	$^3D_4 - (^4F)^3F_4$		2	1258.517	79458.6	$^3P_2 - (^4F)^3D_2$		3	2531.73	39498.7	$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3D_1$		
8	1033.389	96769.0	$^3D_3 - (^4F)^3F_3$		3B	1261.556	79267.2	$^3P_2 - (^4F)^3F_3$		5	2538.47	39393.8	$(^4F)^3F_3 - (^4F)^3D_2$		
			$^3D_0 - (^4F)^3F_1$		2	1262.336	79218.2	$^3P_1 - (^4F)^3D_2$		4	2545.09	39291.4	$(^4F)^3F_4 - (^4F)^3D_3$		
8	1033.656	96744.0	$^3D_2 - (^4F)^3F_2$		1	1264.751	79066.9	$^3P_2 - (^4F)^3F_2$							
			$^3D_3 - (^4F)^3D_4$		3	1266.021	78987.6	$^3P_1 - (^4F)^3D_1$							

TABLE IV. Classified lines of Mn IV.

Table with 12 columns: INT., λ, ν, CLASSIFICATION (d4, d34p), INT., λ, ν, CLASSIFICATION (d4, d34p), INT., λ, ν, CLASSIFICATION (d34s, d34p). It lists spectral lines for Mn IV with various classifications and intensity values.

* Previously classified by White.

TABLE V. Classified lines of Fe V.

Table with 12 columns: INT., λ, ν, CLASSIFICATION (d4, d34p), INT., λ, ν, CLASSIFICATION (d4, d34p), INT., λ, ν, CLASSIFICATION (d4, d34p). It lists spectral lines for Fe V with various classifications and intensity values.

TABLE V.—Continued.

Table with columns for INT., lambda, nu, CLASSIFICATION (d^4, d^34p), INT., lambda, nu, CLASSIFICATION (d^4, d^34p), INT., lambda, nu, CLASSIFICATION (d^34s, d^34p). Rows contain numerical data for various spectral lines.

TABLE VI. Term values of Cr III, Mn IV and Fe V.

Table with columns for Cr III, Mn IV, Fe V, Cr III, Mn IV, Fe V, Cr III, Mn IV, Fe V. Rows contain term values for d^3(4F)4s^5F_3, d^3(4F)4p^5F_3, d^3(4P)4p^5P_1, d^3(2G)4p^5G_3, and d^3(2H)4p^5H_3.

TABLE VII. Classified lines of Fe III

Table with columns for INT., lambda, nu, CLASSIFICATION. Rows contain classified lines for Fe III, such as d^5 5D_4 - d^5(6S)4p^5P_3 and d^5(6S)4s^7S - d^5(6S)4p^7P_4.

showed some indications of the presence of forbidden Fe VI,² the evidence either for or against forbidden Fe V is very inconclusive. Thus the observed line at lambda 4121.2A agrees satisfactorily with the predicted lambda 4123.9A of the 5D_4 - 3H_6 transition. Most of the other transitions, which one might expect to be strong, fall at positions where they would be blended with lines already ascribed to other elements.

Table VII lists a few lines of Fe III that can be classified at once because of their great strength.