

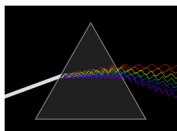
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## Infrared Spectroscopy

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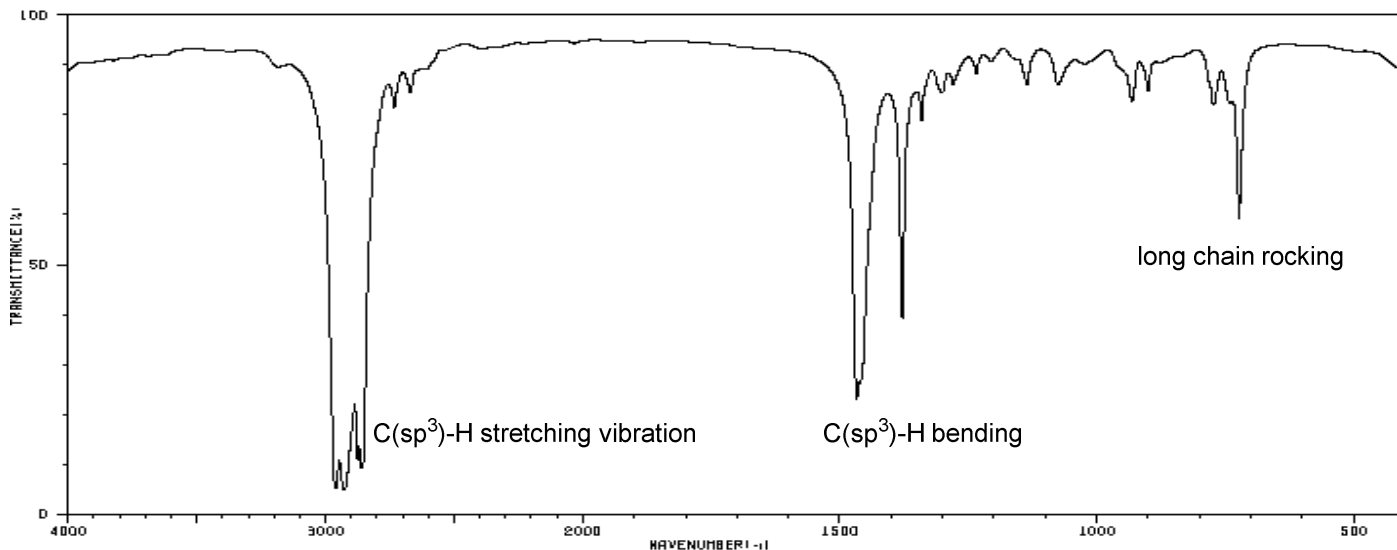
# The Infrared Spectra of Alkanes

C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-H stretching 2800 to 2960 cm<sup>-1</sup>

CH<sub>2</sub> bending 1440 to 1500 cm<sup>-1</sup>

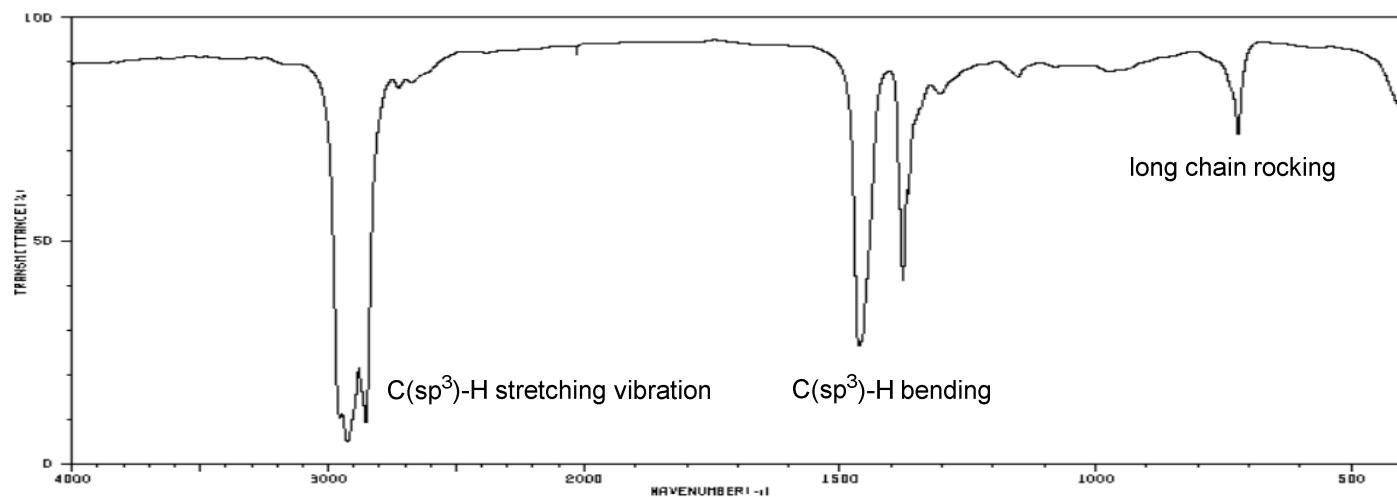
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Infrared spectrum of *n*-heptane: 2961, 2926, 1468, 1379 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



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Infrared spectrum of nujol (paraffin wax, long chain hydrocarbon, C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>2n+2</sub>):

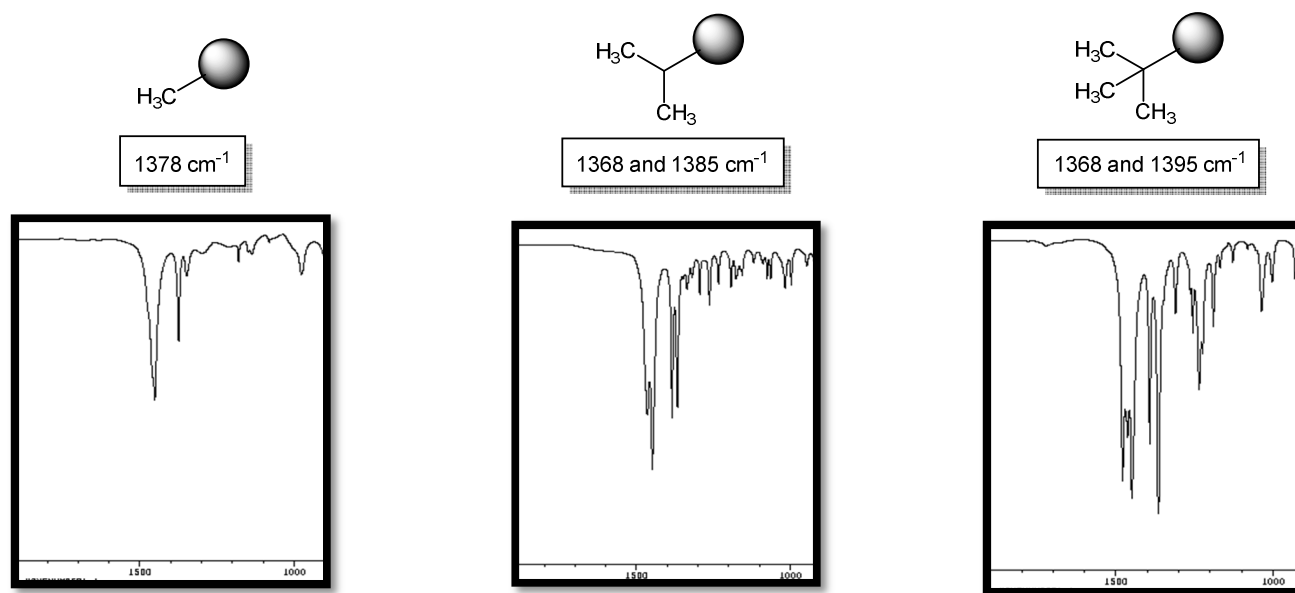


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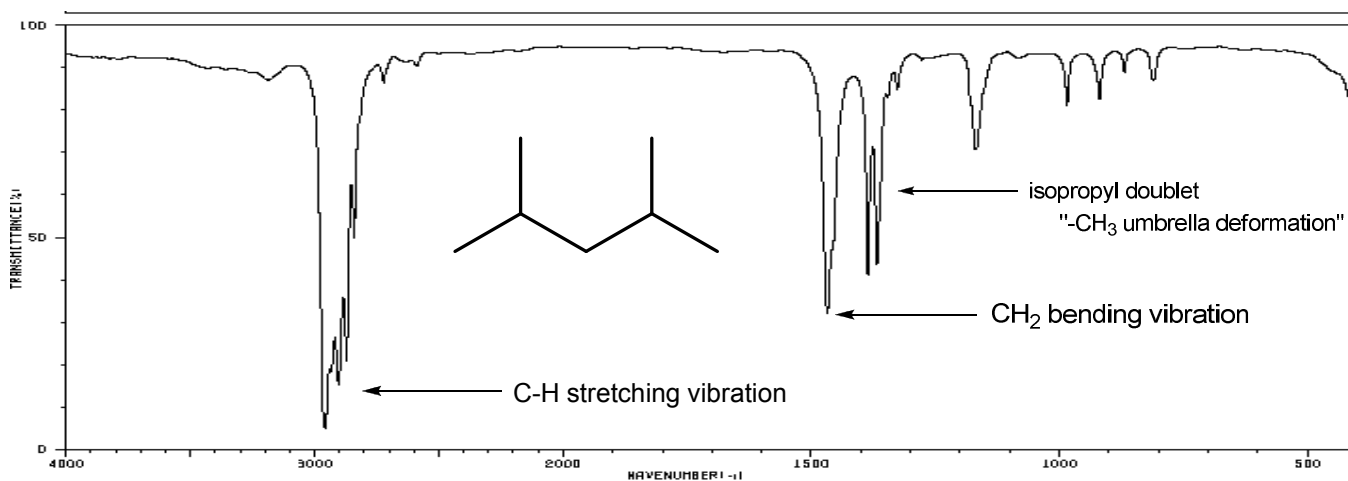
# The Infrared Spectra of Alkanes

Different structural arrangements of methyl groups can be tentatively identified by inspection of the fingerprint region. These peaks should not be used as final diagnostics as there are other signals that may appear in this region.

The umbrella deformation of the methyl group.



Infrared spectrum of 2,4-dimethylpentane:  $2968, 2935, 1466, 1368, 1361 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .



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# The Infrared Spectra of Alkenes

## Dominant Observable Vibrations

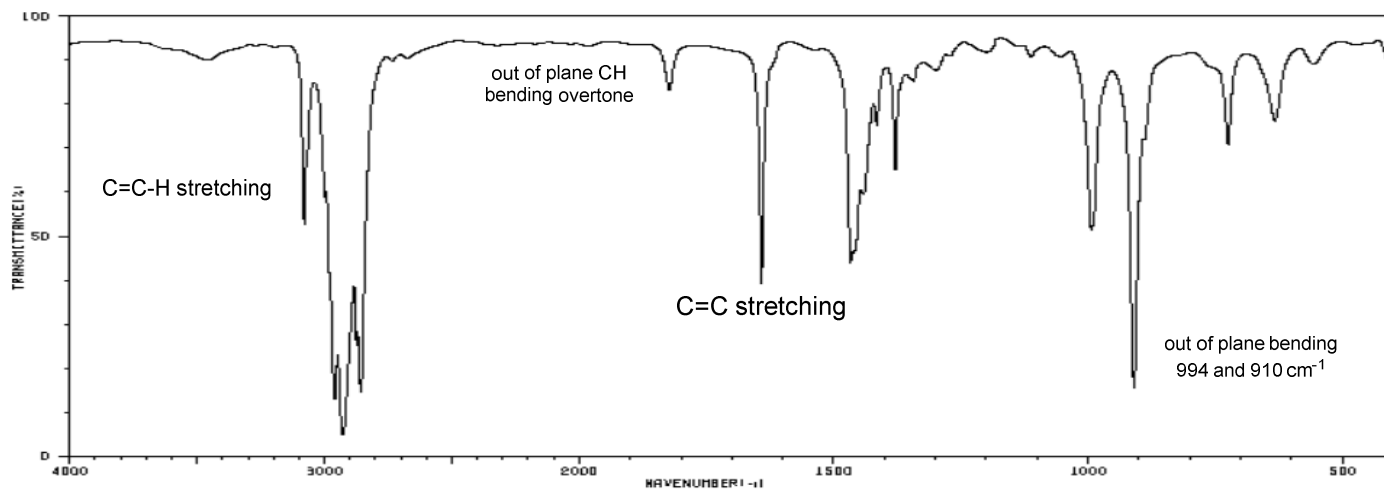
### Stretching vibrations

C (sp <sup>2</sup> )-H stretching	~3000 to 3100 cm <sup>-1</sup>
C=C double bond stretch	~1600 to 1675 cm <sup>-1</sup>

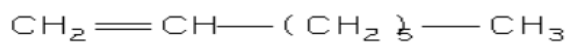
### Out of plane C-H bending vibrations

monosubstituted alkenes	910 and 990 cm <sup>-1</sup>
dibsubstituted terminal alkene	890 cm <sup>-1</sup>
<i>trans</i> -alkene bending vibration	960-980 cm <sup>-1</sup>
<i>cis</i> -alkene bending vibration	675-730 cm <sup>-1</sup>
trisubstituted alkenes	800-840 cm <sup>-1</sup>
tetrasubstituted alkenes	no C-H bending vibrational signal

An infrared spectrum of 1-octene: 3079, 2998, 1823, 1642, 994, 910 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



3079	50	1642	37	994	49
2998	57	1468	42	910	14
2959	12	1460	44	725	86
2928	4	1416	72	633	72
2874	23	1379	62	558	86
2857	13	1344	61		
1823	79	1299	84		

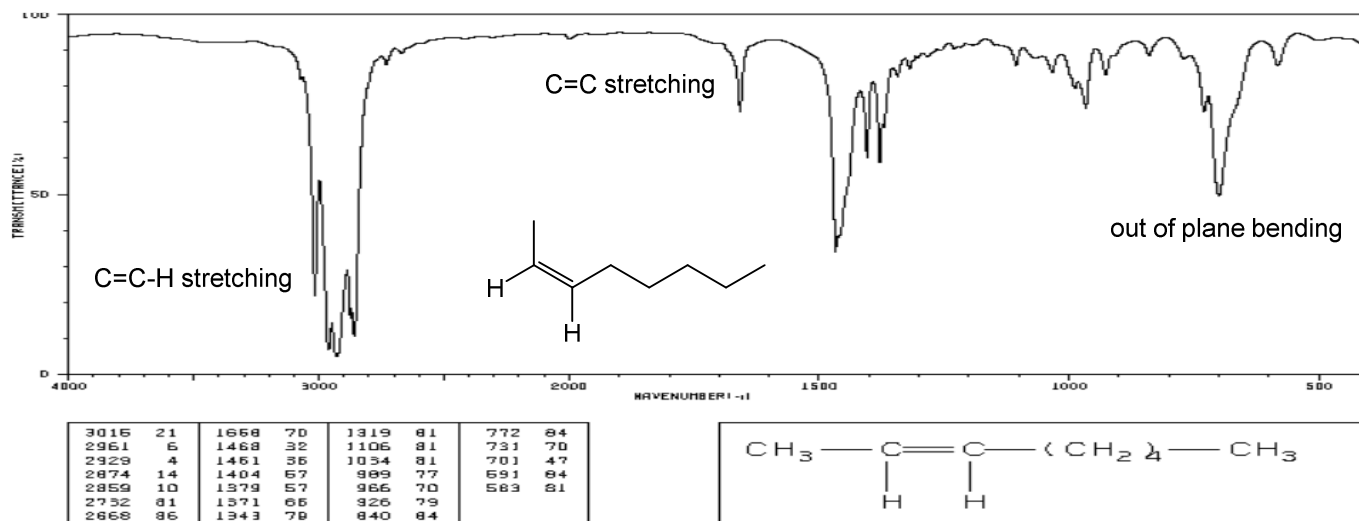


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# The Infrared Spectra of Alkenes

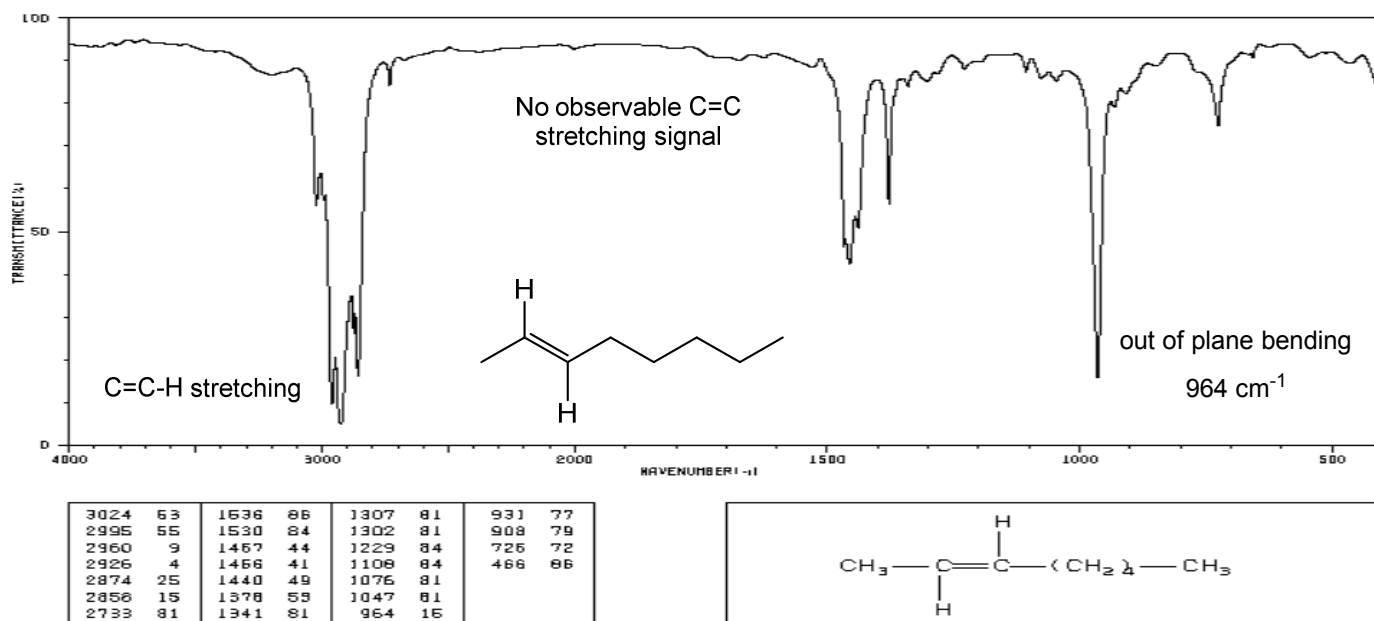
*cis* and *trans*-Alkenes may be distinguished based on two key features, the carbon-carbon double bond vibration and the out of plane bending of the vinylic protons.

An infrared spectrum for *cis*-2-octene



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An infrared spectrum for *trans*-2-octene



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# The Infrared Spectra of Alkynes

## Dominant Observable Vibrations

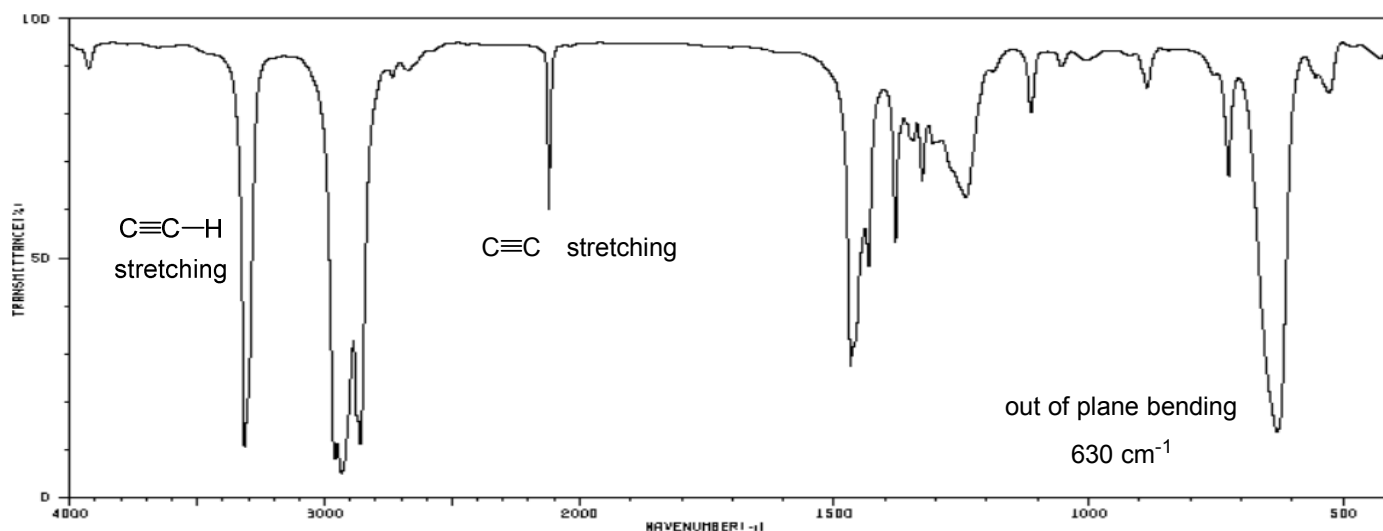
### Stretching vibrations

C(sp)-H stretching vibration	~3250-3350 cm <sup>-1</sup>
C≡C stretching vibration	~2100-2200 cm <sup>-1</sup>

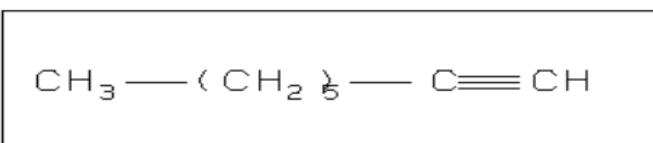
### Out of plane C-H bending vibrations

C(sp)-H bending vibration	~610-700 cm <sup>-1</sup>
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Infrared spectrum of 1-octyne (a terminal alkyne): 3323, 3024, 2926, 1636, 1466, 630 cm<sup>-1</sup>



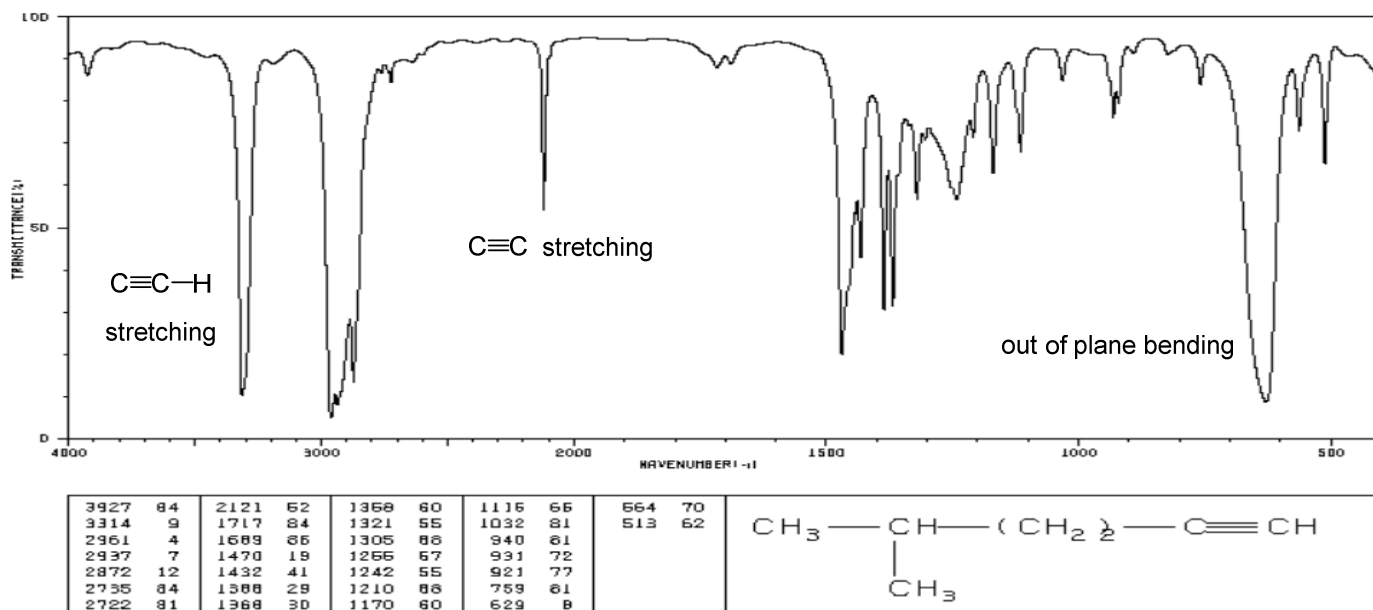
3926	86	2673	86	1327	64
3315	10	2120	58	1242	60
2959	7	1468	26	1113	77
2933	4	1461	30	886	81
2874	15	1432	46	725	64
2861	10	1380	52	630	13
2734	84	1346	72	528	81



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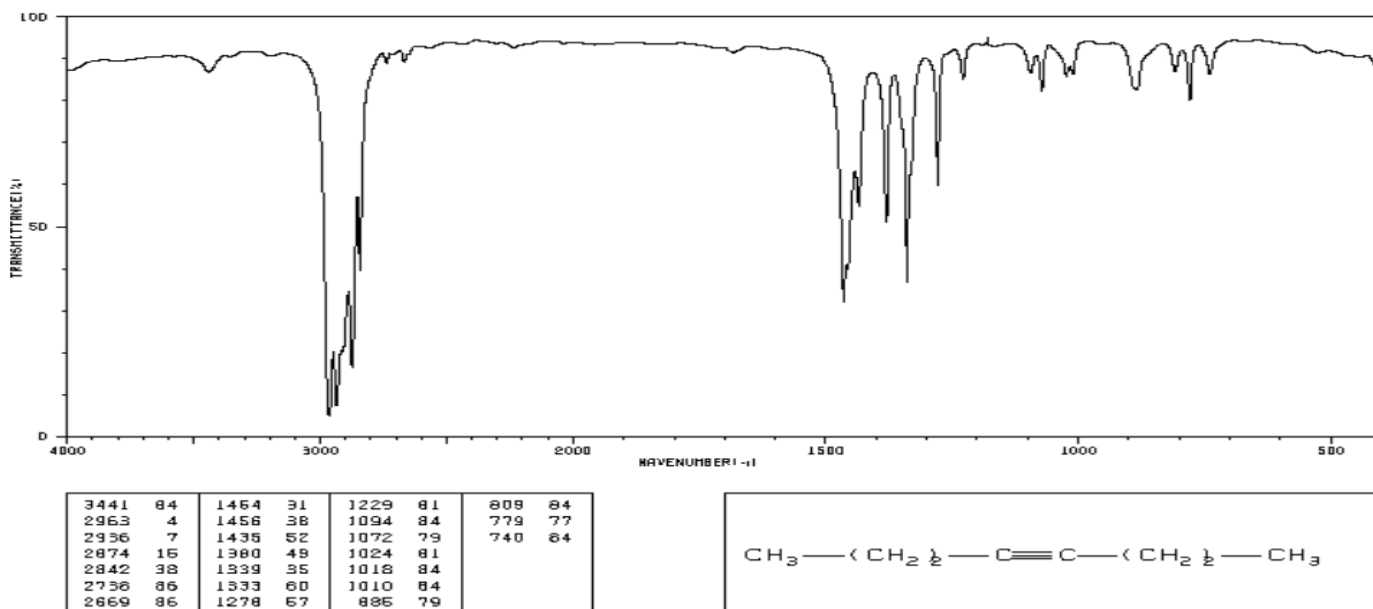
# The Infrared Spectra of Alkynes

The infrared spectrum of 5-methyl-1-hexyne is illustrated below. The expected peaks are present. Notice the presence of the isopropyl group “doublet” at 1368 and 1388  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .



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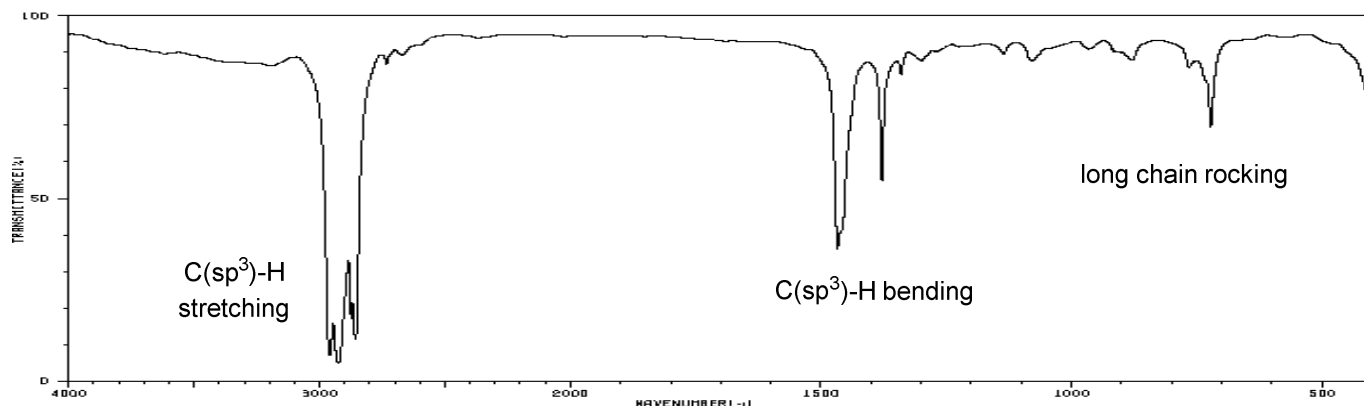
Infrared spectrum of 2-octyne (an internal alkyne): the alkyne  $\text{C}\equiv\text{C}$  stretching vibration is very weak and not observable due to symmetry and lack of changing dipole moment.



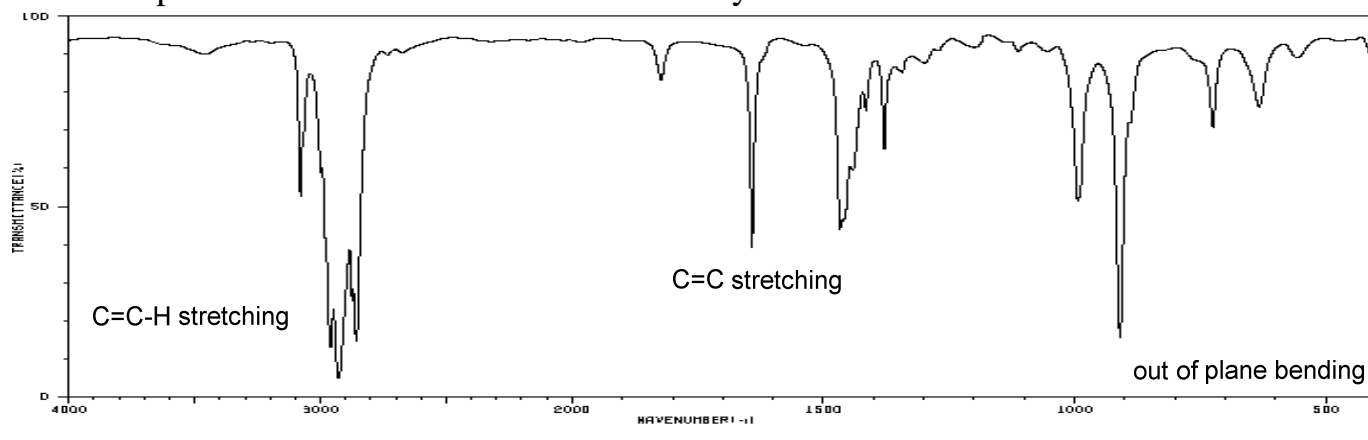
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# A review of the aliphatic hydrocarbons

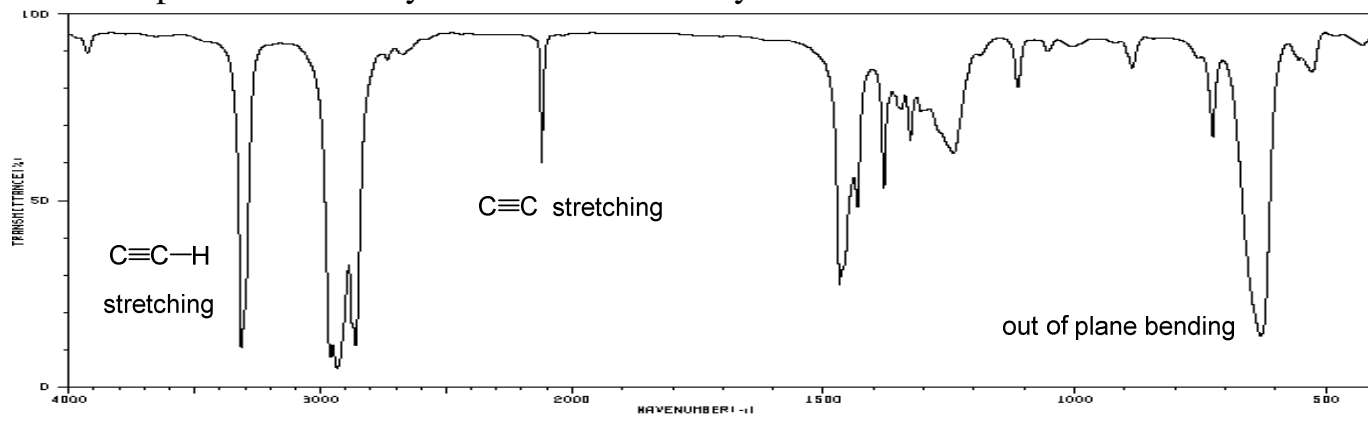
Infrared spectrum of 1-octane: A saturated hydrocarbon



Infrared spectrum of 1-octene: An unsaturated hydrocarbon



Infrared spectrum of 1-octyne: An unsaturated hydrocarbon





# The Infrared Spectra of Aromatic Rings

## Dominant Observable Vibrations

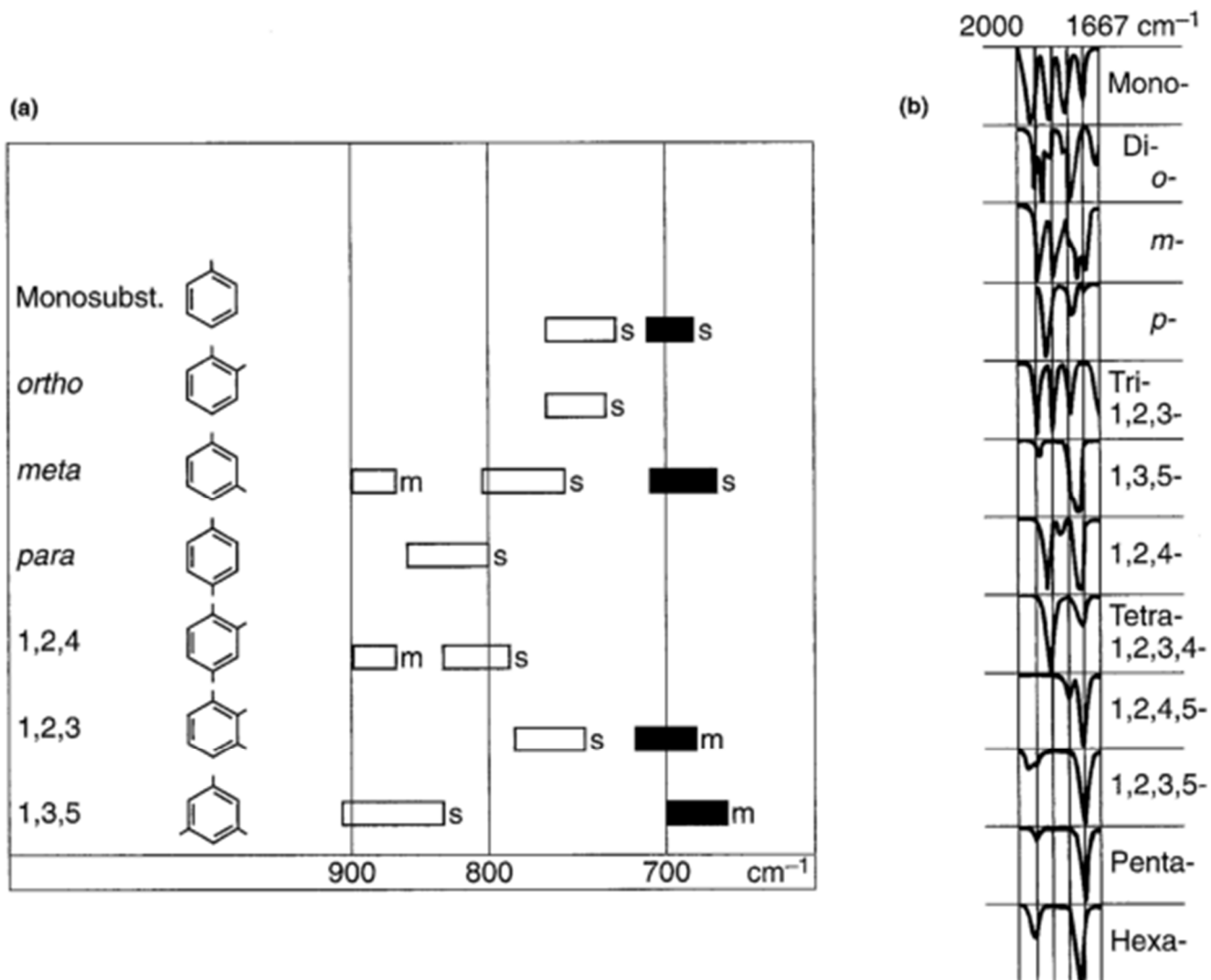
### Stretching vibrations

C(sp<sup>2</sup>)-H stretching vibration ~3000-3100 cm<sup>-1</sup>

C=C stretching vibration ~1500-1600 cm<sup>-1</sup>

### Out of plane C-H bending vibrations

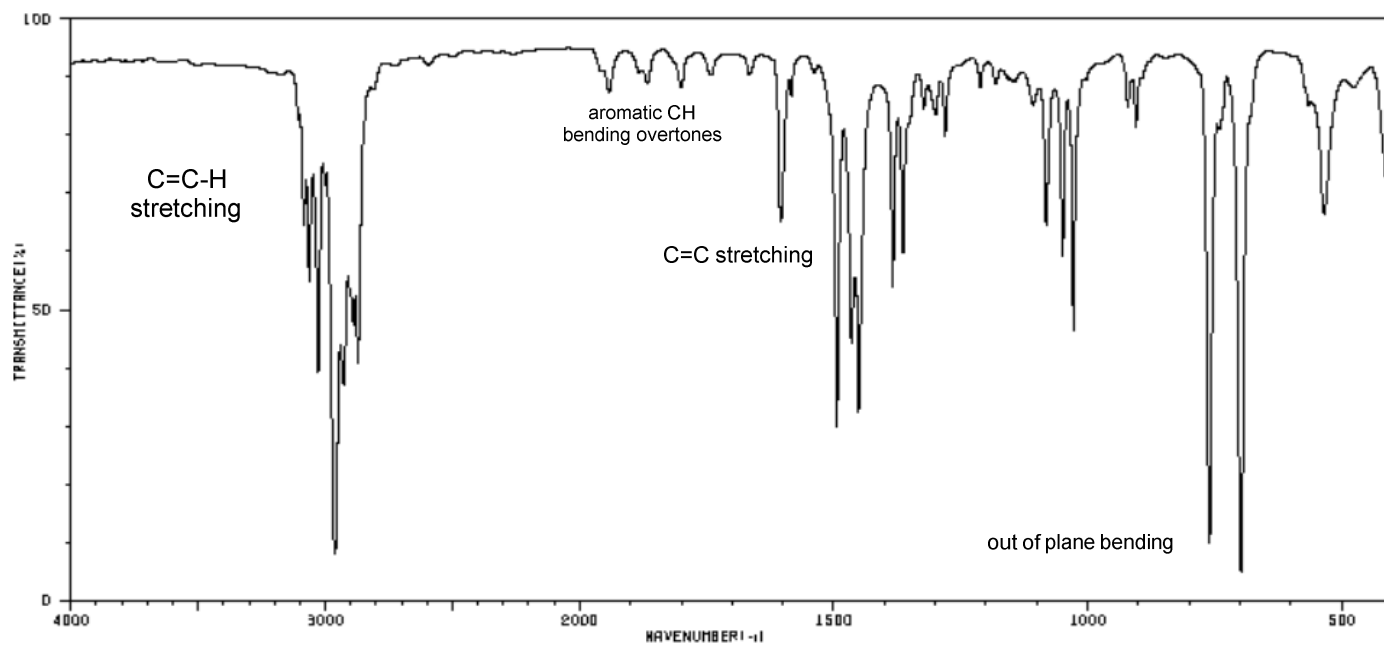
The substitution of aromatic rings can be tentatively assigned based on the observed aromatic out of plane CH bending overtones.



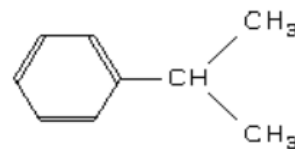
Taken from <http://chemistrytextbookcrawl.blogspot.com/2012/12/infrared-spectra-of-aromatic-rings.html>.

# The Infrared Spectra of Aromatic Rings

**Cumene (isopropylbenzene):** There are a number of peaks that appear for aromatic systems. These peaks include aromatic C-H stretching, C=C from the aromatic ring, and out of plane bending. There are also out of plane CH bending overtones that appear between 2000 and 1667  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The intensity and shape of these peaks varies with the substitution of the aromatic ring.



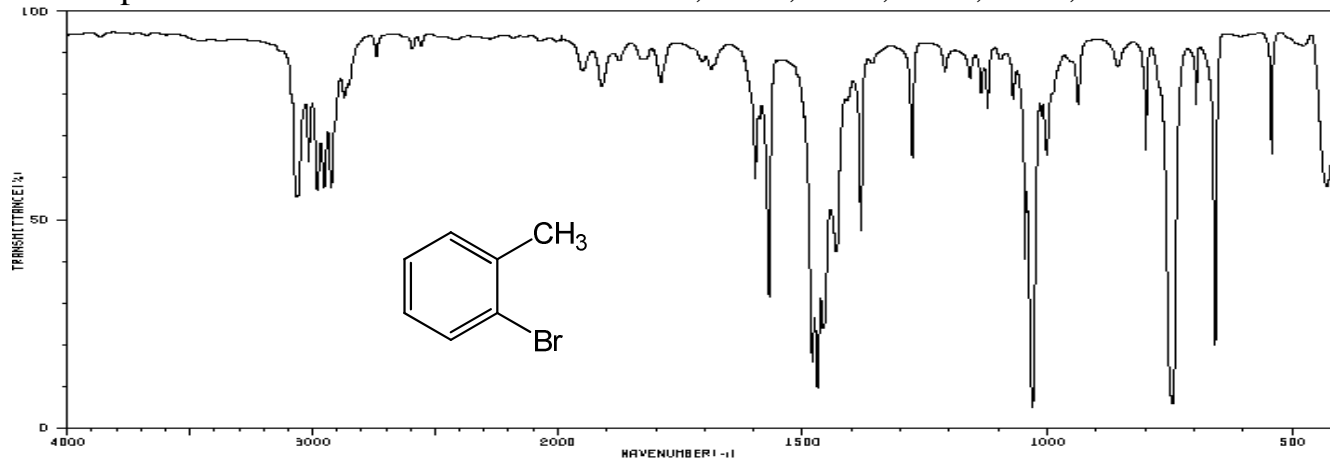
3084	62	2871	39	1466	42	1281	77	1028	44
3064	53	1942	84	1458	53	1213	84	922	81
3028	37	1868	86	1452	31	1150	86	905	79
3002	68	1800	84	1384	62	1144	86	761	9
2961	7	1604	62	1364	57	1108	81	899	4
2927	35	1583	64	1323	81	1082	62	535	64
2890	46	1494	28	1300	81	1060	67	478	84



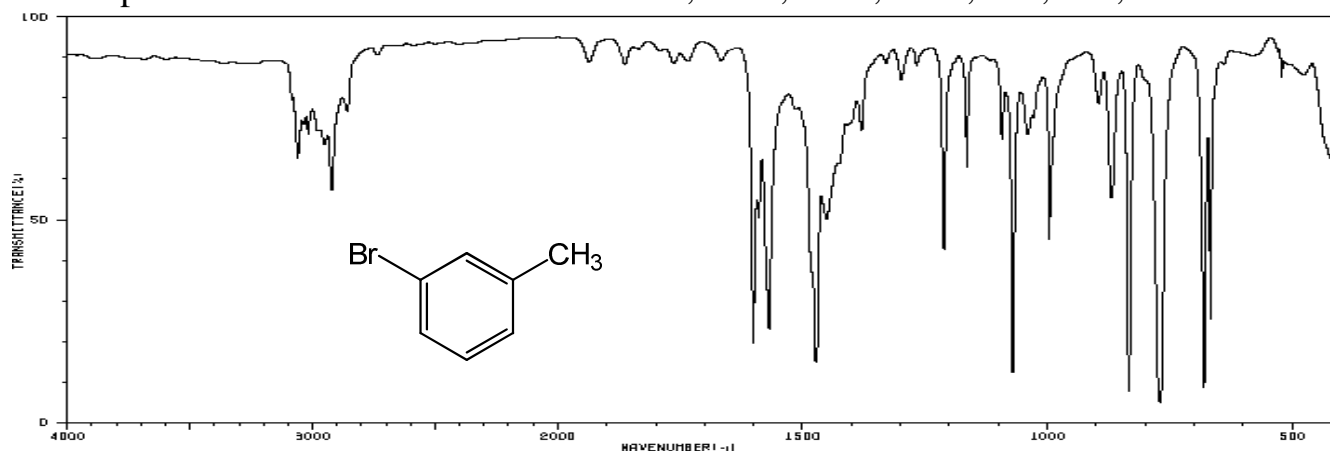
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# Disubstituted aromatic rings

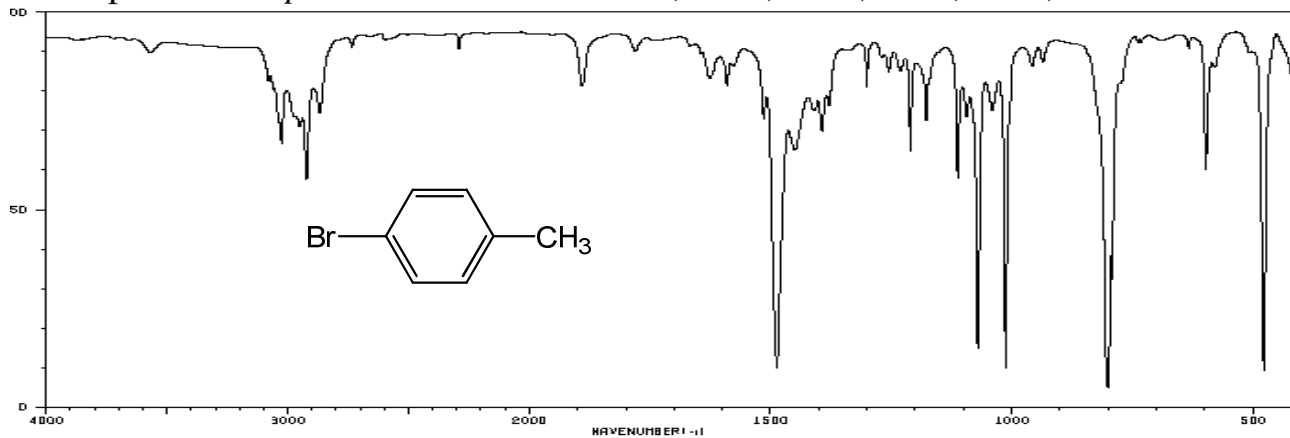
Infrared spectrum of *ortho*-bromotoluene: 3061, 3016, 2924, 1470, 1031, 745  $\text{cm}^{-1}$



Infrared spectrum of *meta*-bromotoluene: 3061, 3017, 2932, 1564, 834, 770, 681  $\text{cm}^{-1}$



Infrared spectrum of *para*-bromotoluene: 3081, 3026, 2923, 1487, 1013, 801  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

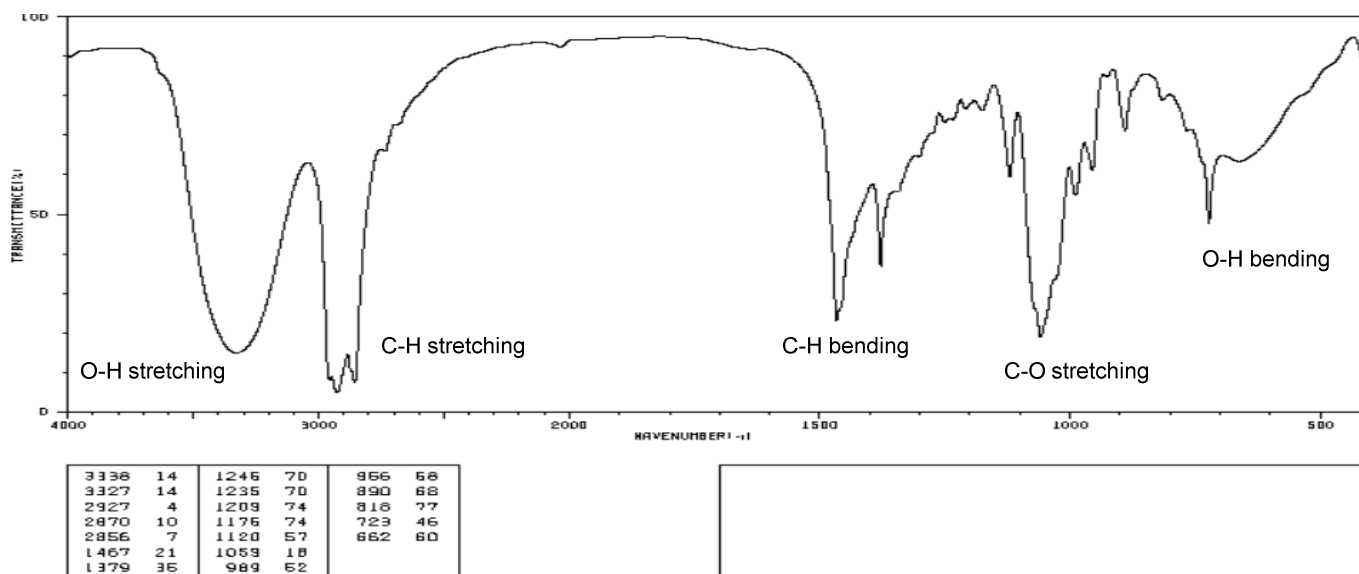


# The Infrared Spectra of The Alcohols (ROH)

## Dominant Observable Vibrations:

O-H stretching                       $\sim 3200-3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$   
 C-O stretching                       $\sim 1000-1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$

Infrared spectrum of 1-octanol



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Hydrogen bonding is an important phenomenon in the infrared spectra of alcohols. The frequency and shape of the peak is directly proportional to the level of hydrogen bonding.

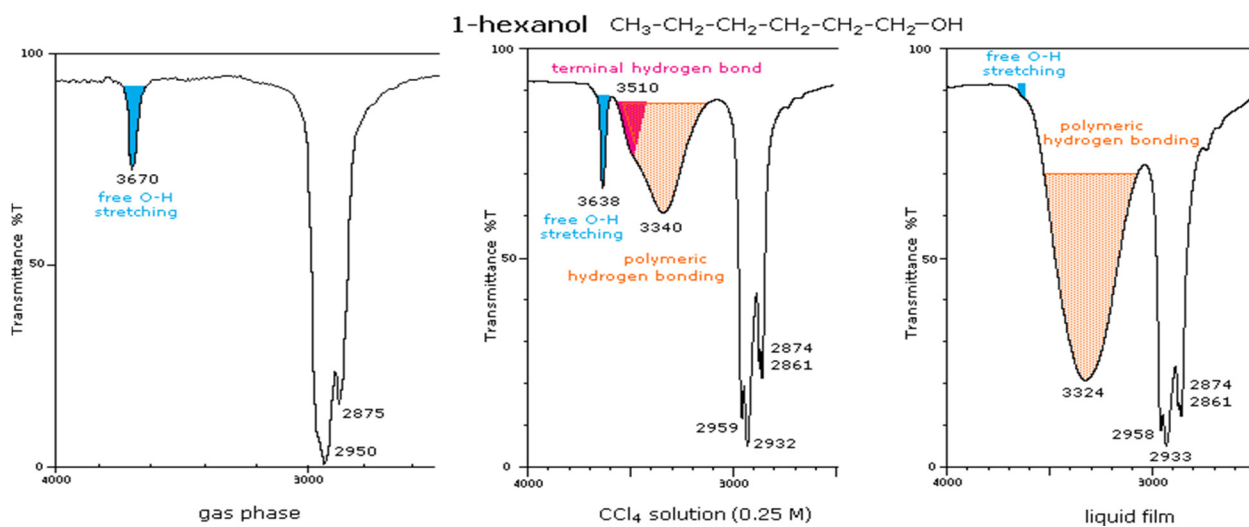
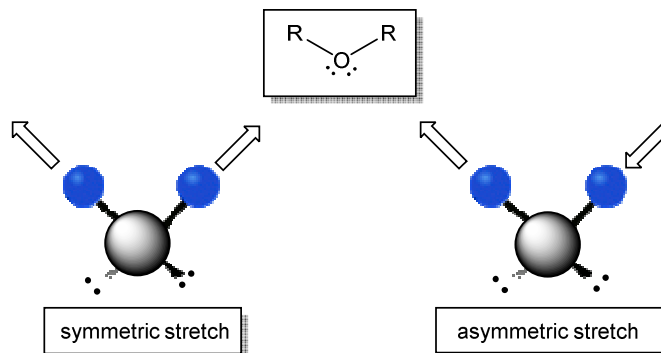


Image taken from <https://www2.chemistry.msu.edu/faculty/reusch/virtxtjml/Spectrpy/InfraRed/irspec1.htm>

# The Infrared Spectra of The Ethers

## Dominant Observable Vibrations

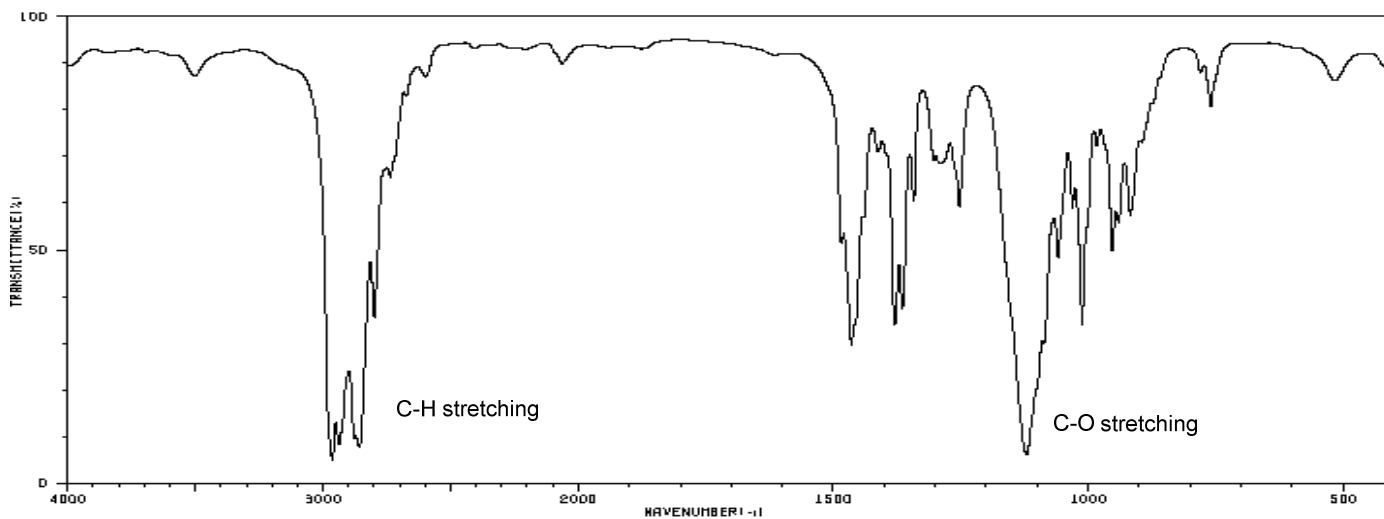
### Stretching vibrations



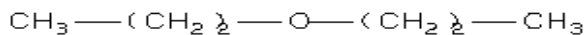
strong band due to asymmetrical stretching,  $1150\text{-}1085\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (usually  $1125\text{ cm}^{-1}$ )

weak band due to symmetrical stretching,  $820\text{-}890\text{ cm}^{-1}$

Infrared spectrum of di-*n*-propyl ether ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{-O-CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ )



3604	84	2998	84	1343	68	1012	32	620	84
2963	4	2063	86	1303	86	983	70	513	84
2936	7	1484	48	1269	86	953	47		
2878	9	1466	28	1253	67	941	69		
2858	7	1413	68	1121	5	917	55		
2799	34	1380	32	1059	46	780	84		
2736	62	1366	36	1031	67	760	77		

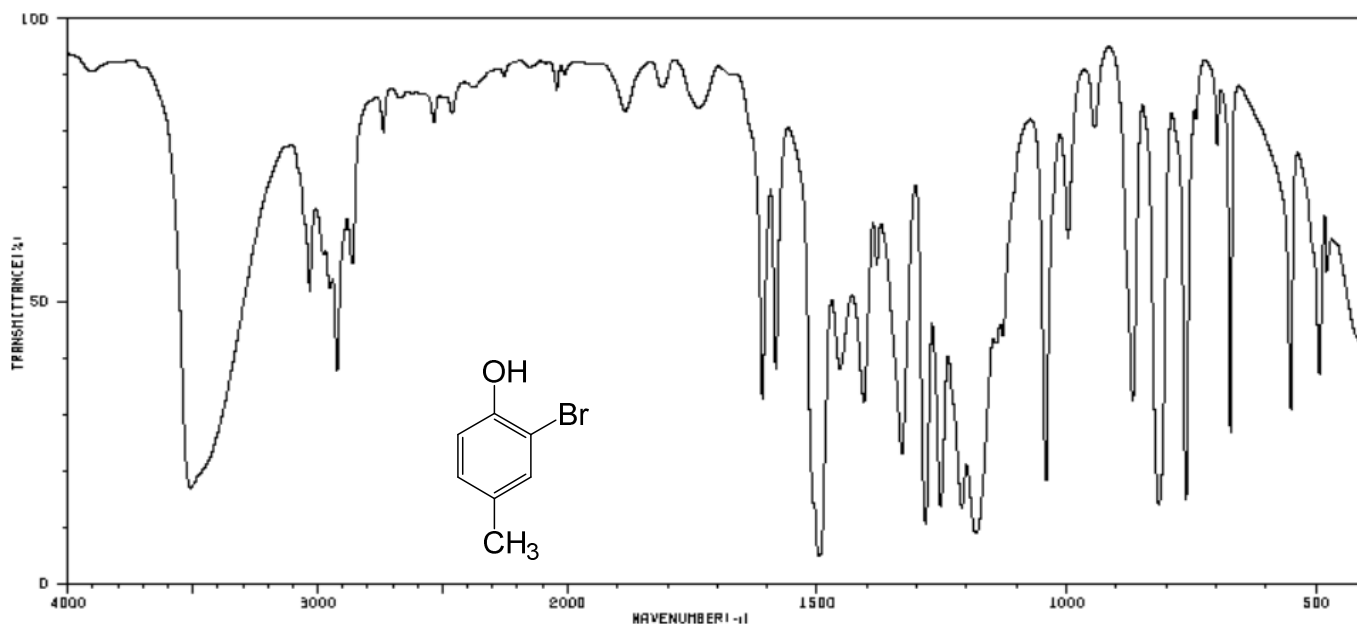


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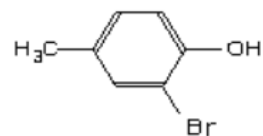
# The Infrared Spectra of The Phenols

## Dominant Observable Vibrations

Phenols will have an appearance that is very similar to that of alcohols. There is a broad absorption that appears in the region of  $3600$  to  $3100\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The following infrared spectrum is that of 2-bromo-4-methylphenol.



3609	16	2452	79	1407	31	1127	42	741	79
3032	50	1884	81	1381	55	1041	17	698	74
2951	50	1738	61	1330	22	997	58	672	26
2923	36	1610	32	1289	10	944	77	661	29
2862	55	1583	36	1253	13	867	31	505	57
2737	77	1495	4	1210	13	815	19	494	36
2636	79	1464	36	1182	8	761	14	480	53

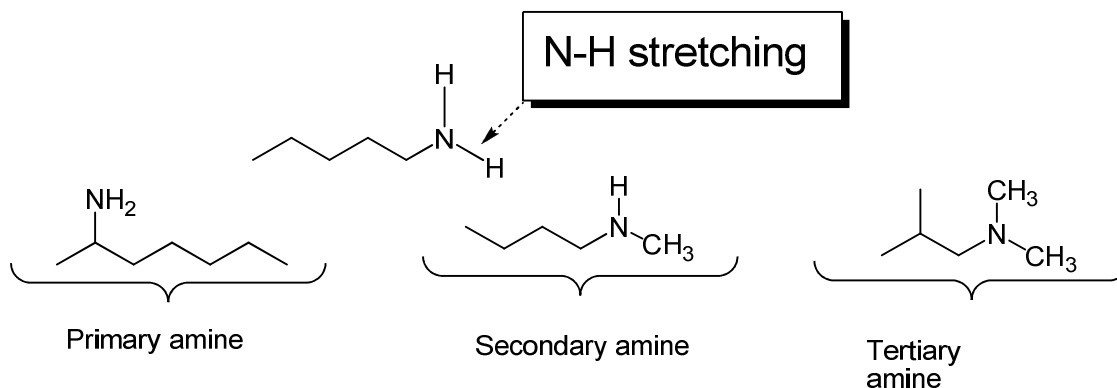


Spectrum obtained from SDBSWeb: <http://sdfs.db.aist.go.jp> (National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, December 16, 2014).

# The Infrared Spectra of The Amines

## Dominant Observable Vibrations:

N-H stretching	~3200-3500 $\text{cm}^{-1}$
N-H bend	~1550-1650 $\text{cm}^{-1}$



## Comments:

Shows the  $\text{-N-H}$  stretch for  $\text{NH}_2$  as two signals between 3200-3500  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (s-m); symmetric and anti-symmetric modes  $\text{NH}_2$  group shows a deformation band from 1590-1650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Additionally there is a "wag" band at 780-820  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  that is not diagnostic

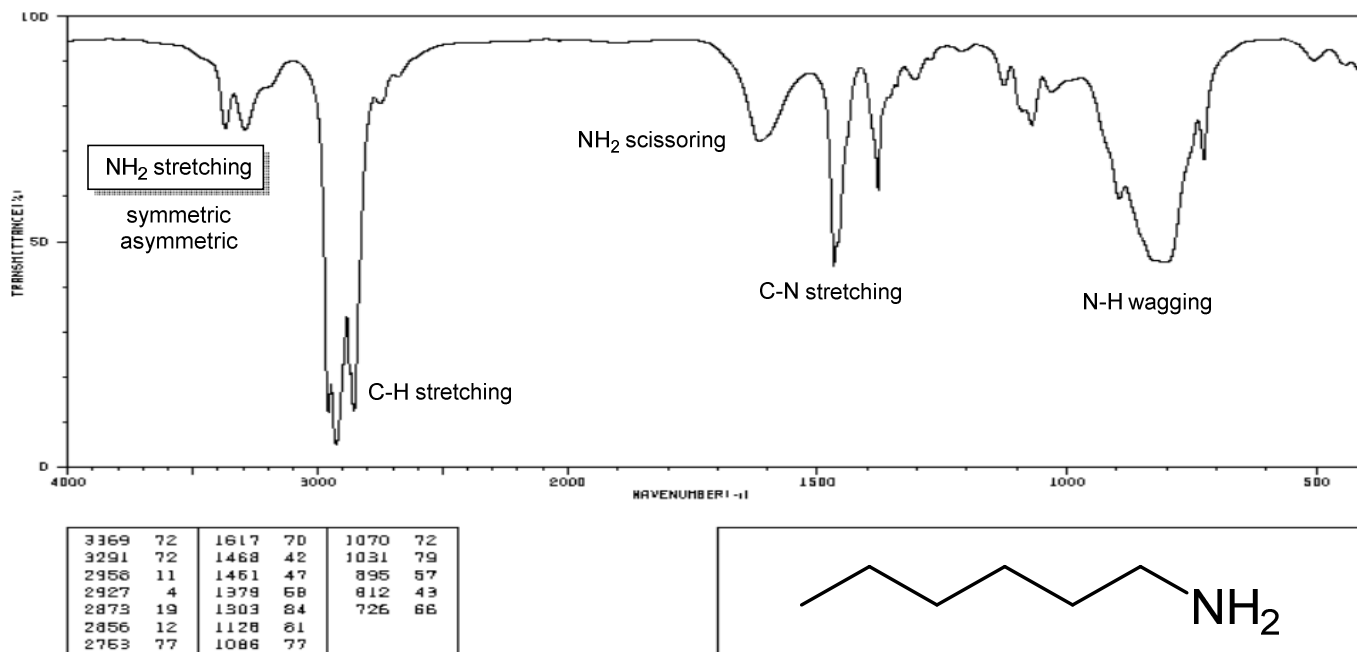
- The N-H stretching vibration varies in intensity.
- **Primary amines** have two N-H signals in the region between 3200 and 3500  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .
- **Secondary amines** have only one N-H signal in this region.
- **Tertiary amines** do not have an N-H signal.

Sometimes, amines are mistaken for alkenes because of the N-H bending vibration that appears near 1600  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

# The Infrared Spectra of Amines

The infrared spectra of amines have only a few peaks that can be considered to be of diagnostic value. The symmetric and asymmetric N-H stretch is of greatest value. The NH<sub>2</sub> scissoring peak will vary in intensity and may be obscured by other peaks.

## Primary amine: *n*-hexylamine

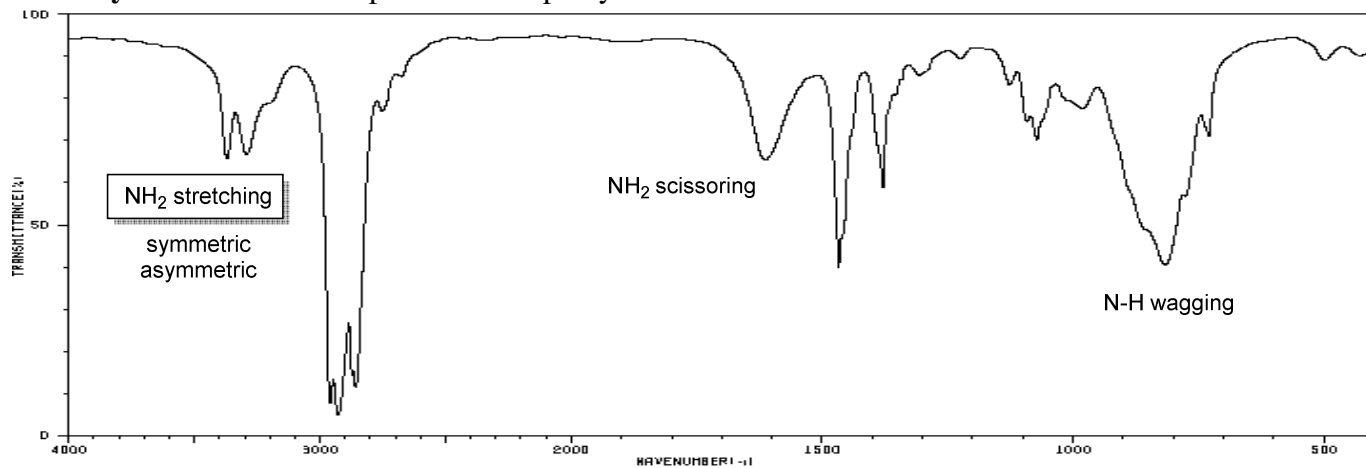


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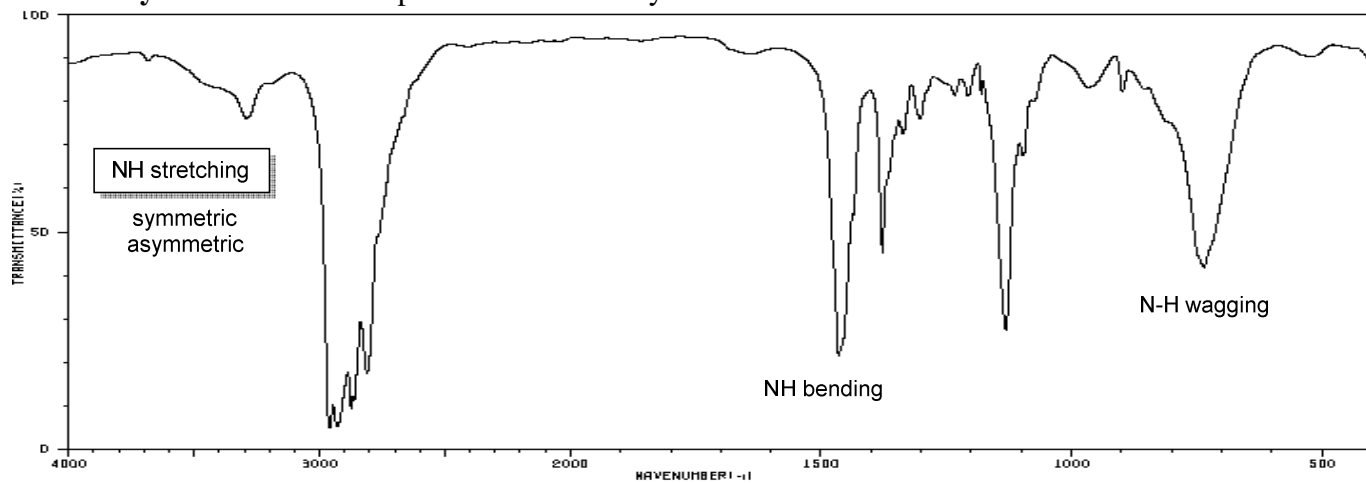


# The Infrared Spectra of the Amines (primary, secondary, tertiary)

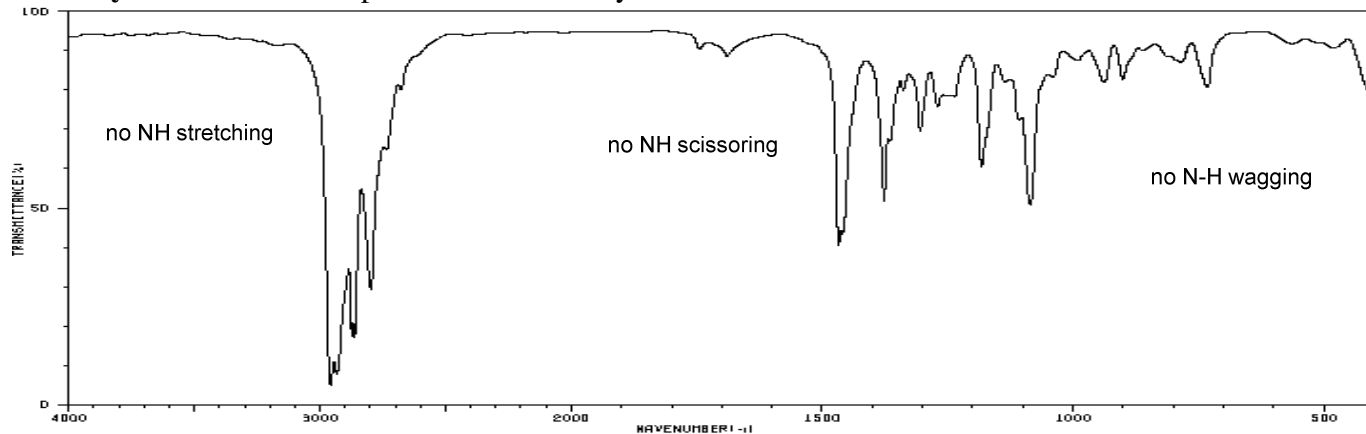
**Primary amine:** Infrared spectrum of *n*-pentyl amine



**Secondary amine:** Infrared spectrum of di-*n*-butyl amine

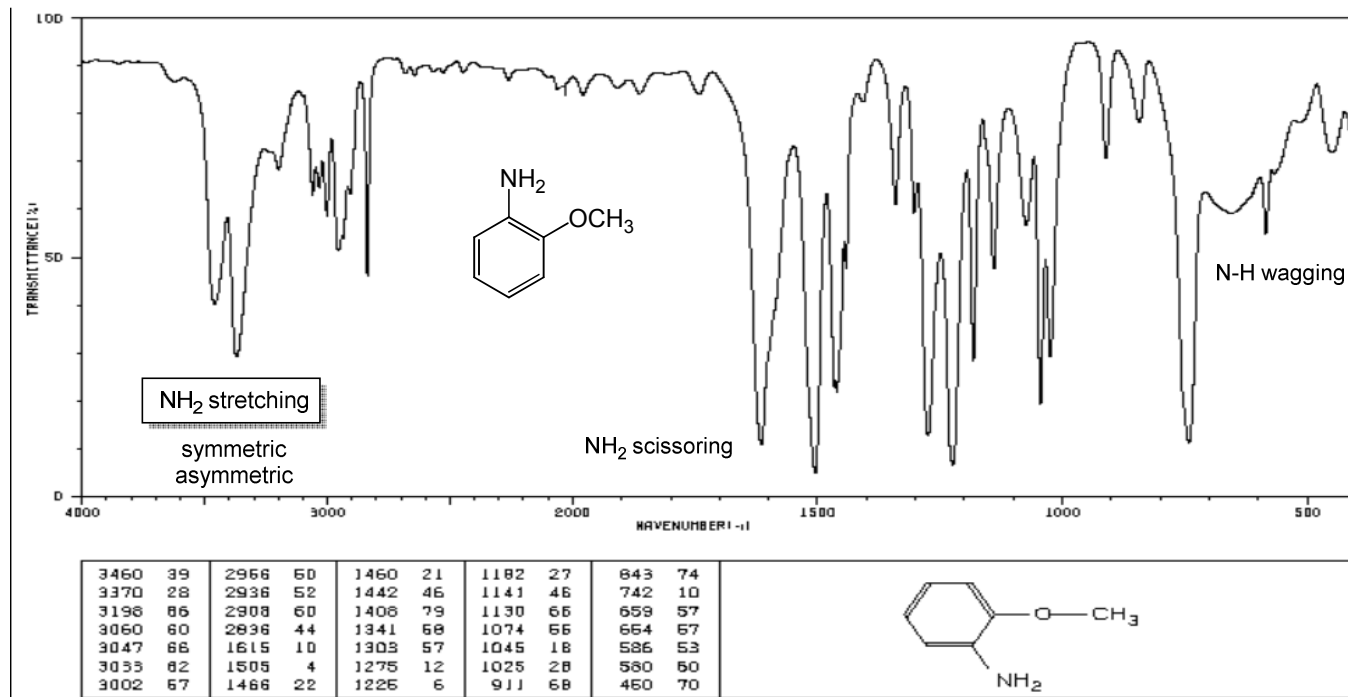


**Tertiary amine:** Infrared spectrum of tri-*n*-butyl amine



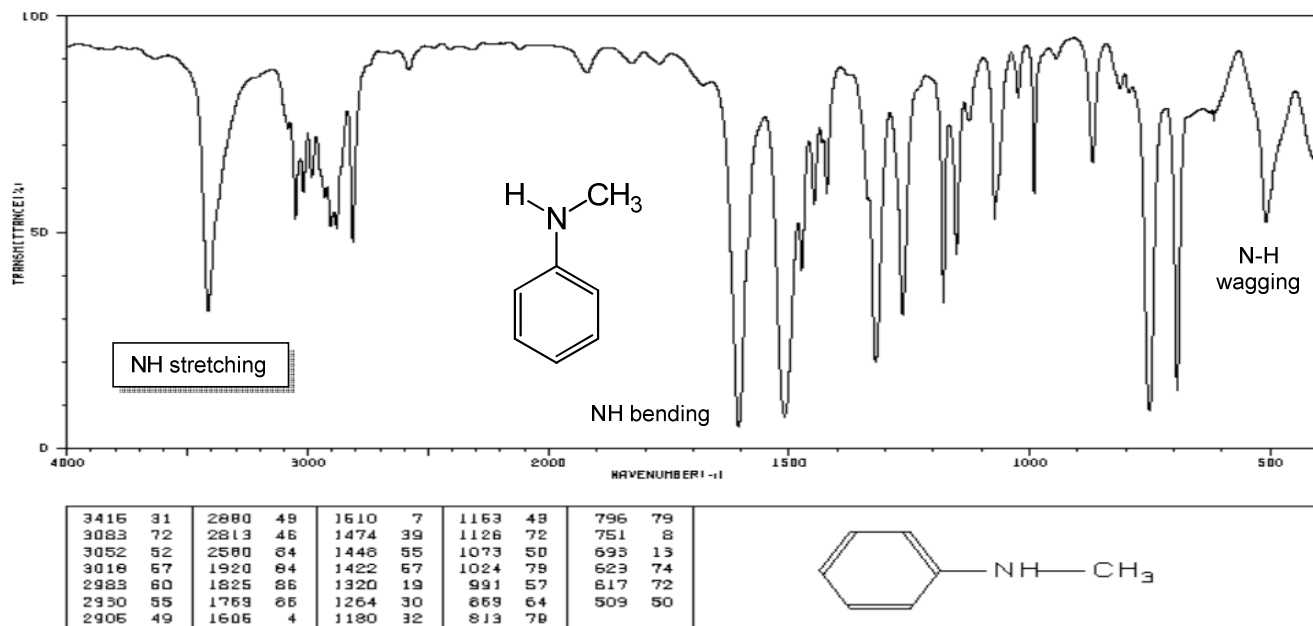
# The Infrared Spectra of Aromatic Amines (Anilines)

The following example represents an aromatic primary amine. Notice that the NH<sub>2</sub> symmetric and anti-symmetric stretches near 3400 cm<sup>-1</sup> are significantly larger than the corresponding peaks in the aliphatic amines.



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The following example represents an aromatic secondary amine.

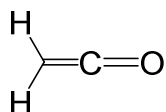


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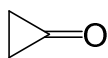
# The Infrared Spectra of The Ketones

## Dominant Observable Vibration

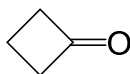
The most important vibration associated with ketones is the C=O stretching vibration. This vibration occurs in the region of  $\sim 1710\text{-}1725\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The frequency of the carbonyl peak will vary based on the structure of the carbonyl.



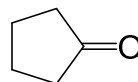
2140  $\text{cm}^{-1}$



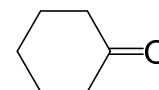
1815  $\text{cm}^{-1}$



1780  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

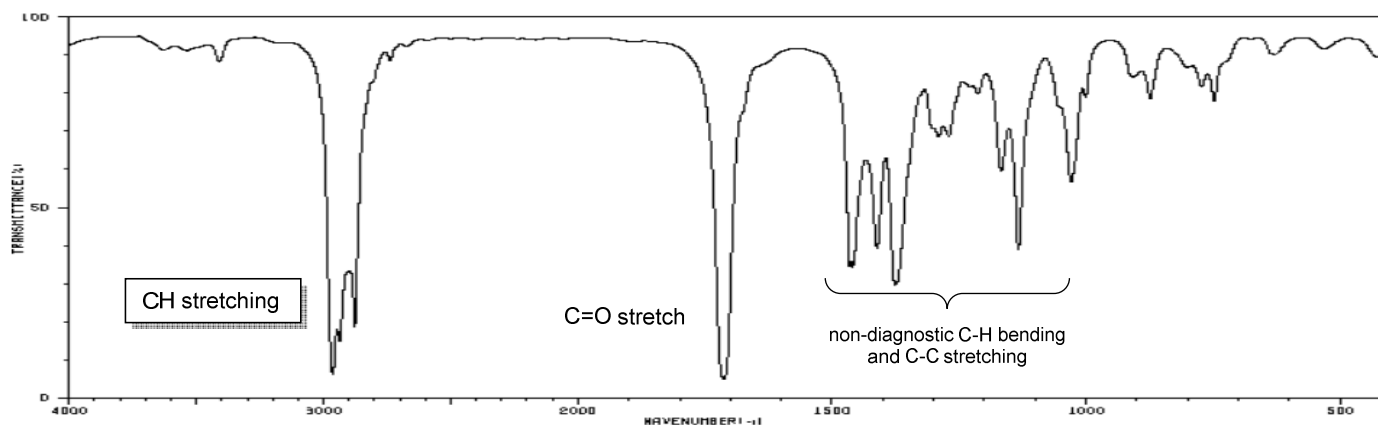
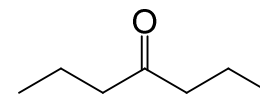


1742  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

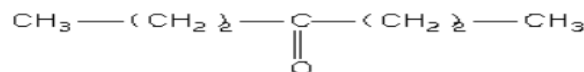


1715  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

Infrared spectrum of 4-heptanone: key carbonyl vibration at  $1713\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .



3409	84	1460	38	1168	67	748	74
2964	6	1412	37	1134	37	427	86
2937	14	1377	28	1030	55		
2877	17	1291	66	1001	77		
2737	84	1271	66	907	81		
1713	4	1228	78	874	74		
1466	33	1213	77	774	79		

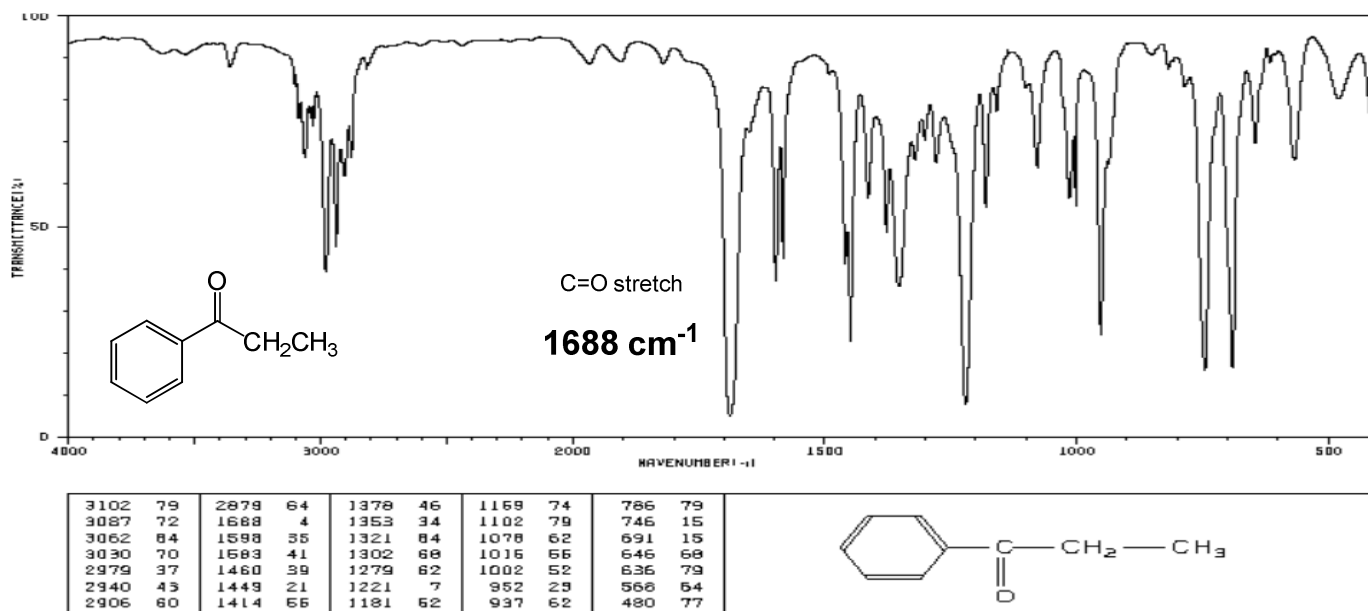


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# The Infrared Spectra of Aromatic ketones

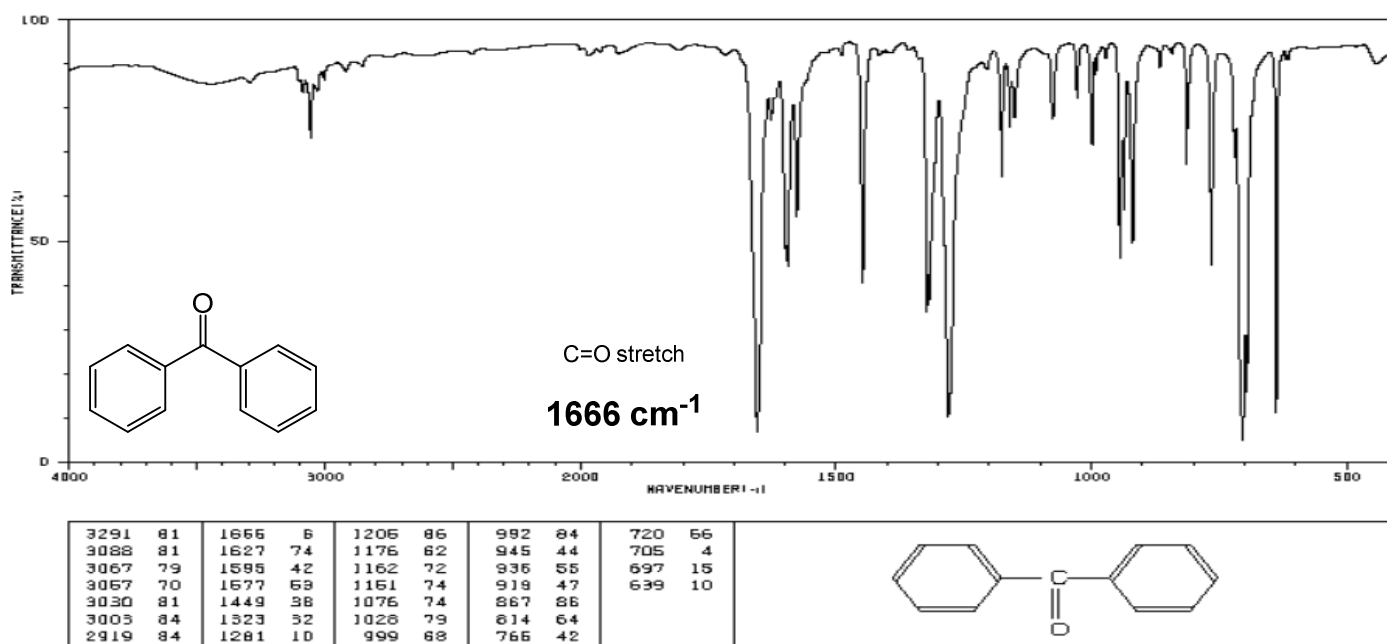
The frequency of the C=O stretching vibration for ketones will decrease to about 1690-1666  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  if the C=O functional group is immediately next to an alkene or an aromatic ring.

Infrared spectrum of propiophenone:



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Infrared spectrum of benzophenone:



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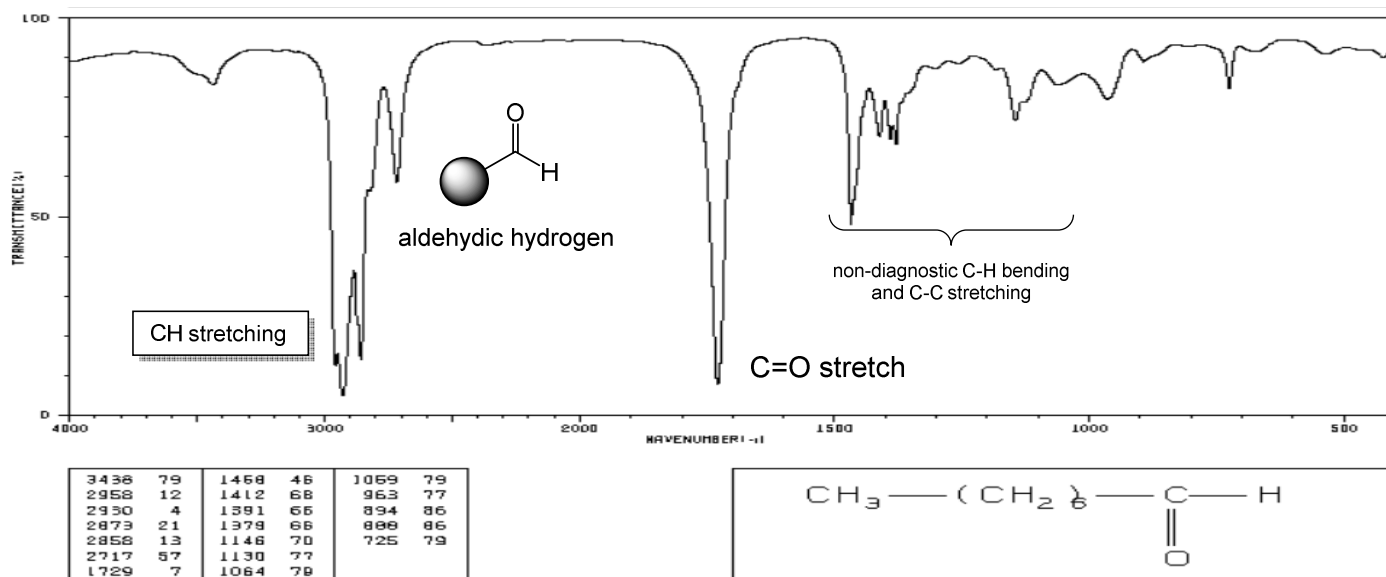
# The Infrared Spectra of the Aldehydes

The most important vibration associated with ketones is the C=O stretching vibration. This vibration occurs in the region of  $\sim 1725\text{-}1735\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The frequency of the carbonyl peak will vary based on the structure of the carbonyl.

-C=O stretching  $\sim 1725\text{-}1735\text{ cm}^{-1}$

Aldehydic C-H  $\sim 2700\text{-}2800\text{ cm}^{-1}$

Infrared spectrum of *n*-hexanal:



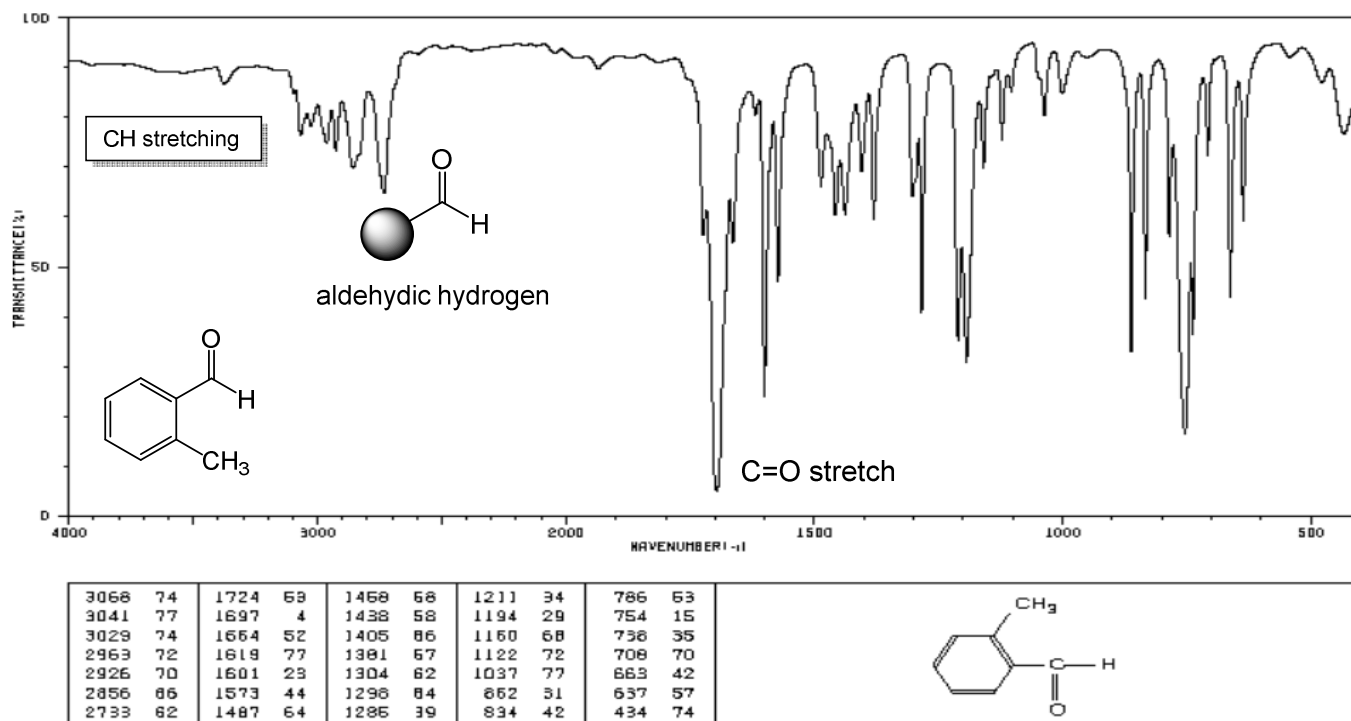
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# The Infrared Spectra of the Aromatic Aldehydes

## Aromatic Aldehydes

The frequency of the C=O stretching vibration for aldehydes will decrease to about 1685-1666  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  if the C=O functional group is conjugated to an alkene or an aromatic ring.

Infrared spectrum of 4-methoxybenzaldehyde (*para*-anisaldehyde)

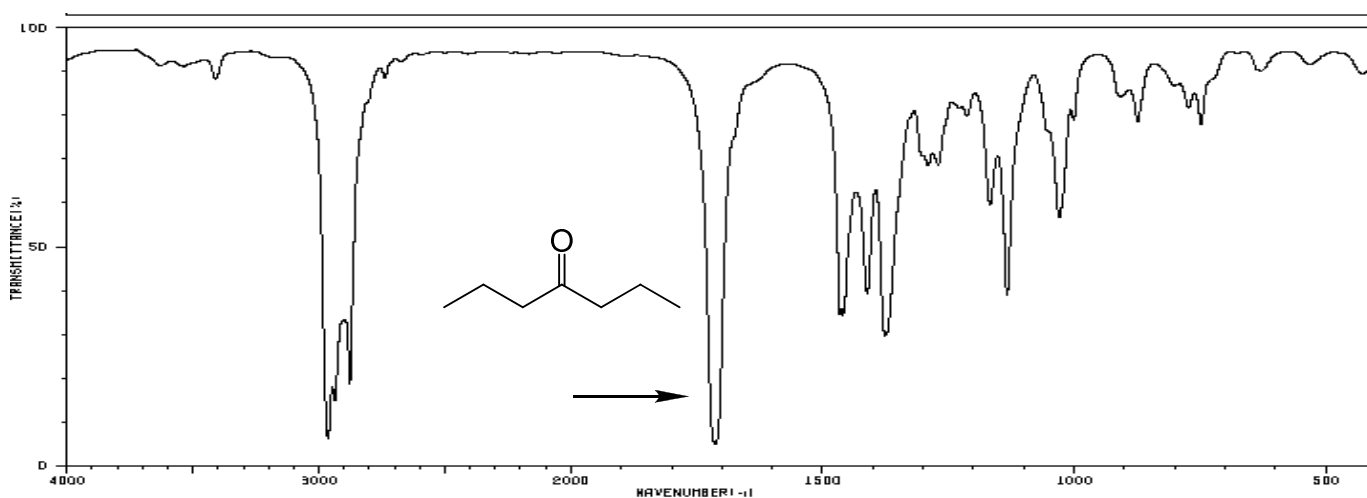


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# The Ketones and the Aldehydes: A Comparison

## The Ketones

Infrared spectrum of 4-heptanone:

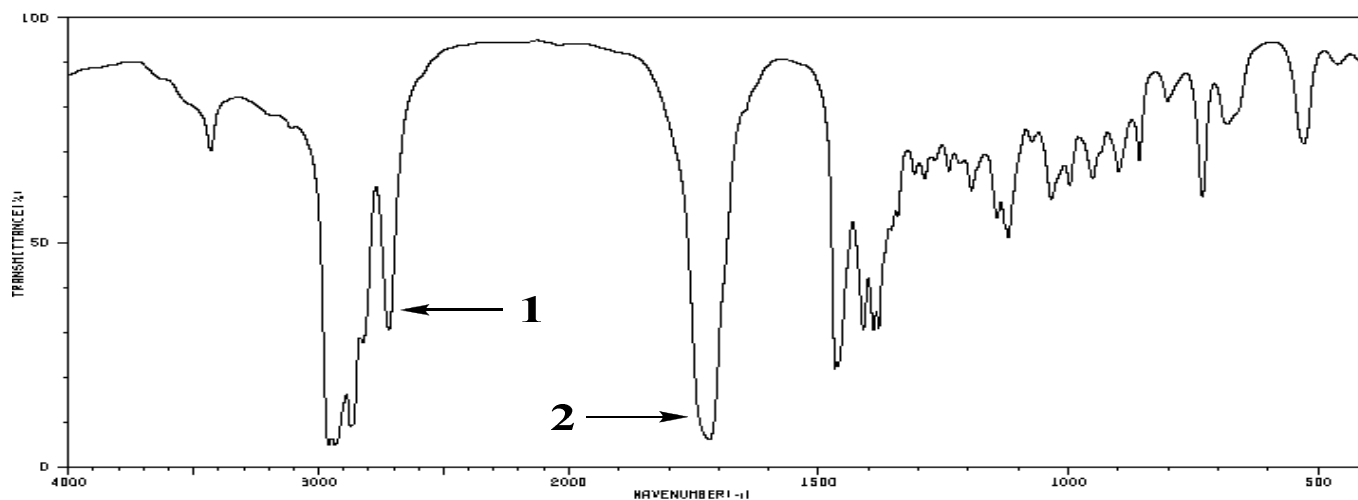


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## The Aldehydes

*The Aldehyde C-H stretch at  $\sim 2700\text{-}2800\text{ cm}^{-1}$  serves as a marker in terms of distinguishing aldehydes from ketones.*

Infrared spectrum of *n*-hexanal:



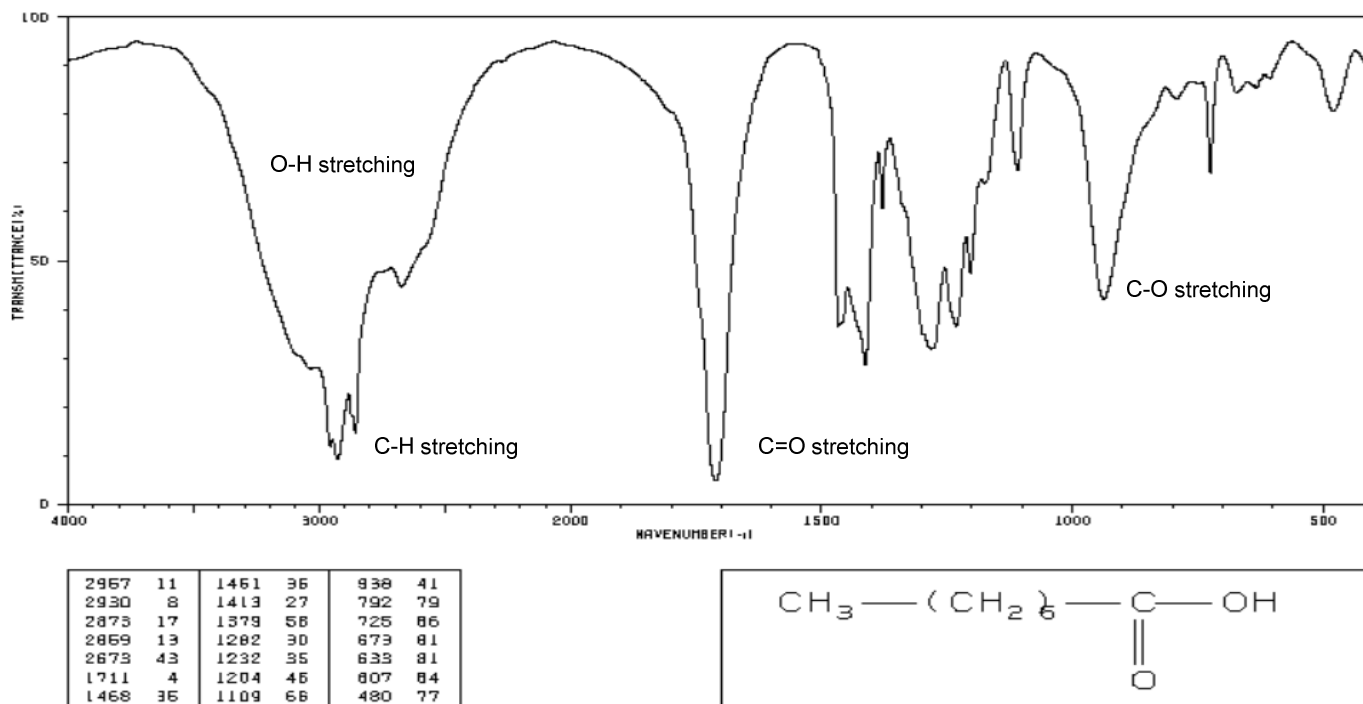
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# The Infrared Spectra of Carboxylic Acids

C=O stretching  $\sim 1710\text{ cm}^{-1}$

O-H stretching  $\sim 2500\text{-}3100\text{ cm}^{-1}$

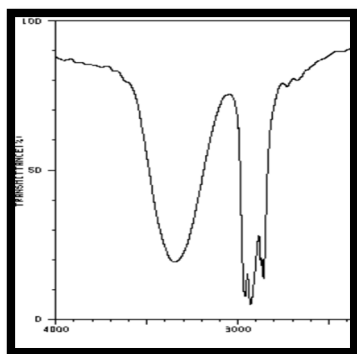
Infrared spectrum of octanoic acid:



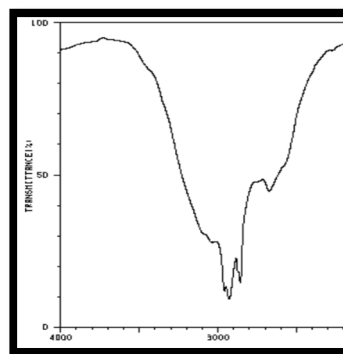
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## Comparison with aliphatic alcohols

Both carboxylic acids and alcohols possess the  $\text{-OH}$  group, although their reactivities are very different as the carboxylic acid  $\text{-OH}$  group is bound to a carbonyl group. The vibrational frequency of an  $\text{-OH}$  group of an alcohol is shifted to higher frequencies.



Alcohol



Carboxylic acid



# The Infrared Spectra of Esters

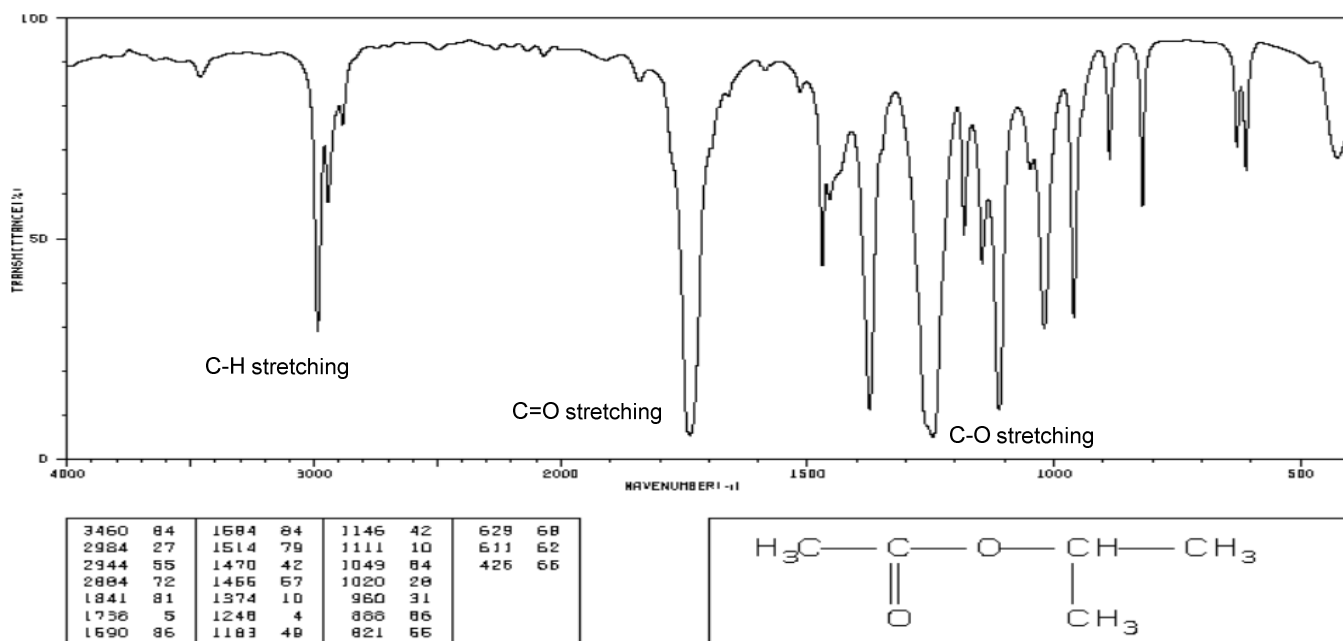
## C=O stretch

- saturated aliphatic esters: C=O: 1750–1735  $\text{cm}^{-1}$
- formates,  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated, and benzoate esters: 1730–1715  $\text{cm}^{-1}$
- phenyl or vinyl esters: 1770–1780  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

## C–O stretches (strong absorptions; asymmetrical coupled vibrations)

- saturated aliphatic esters (except acetates): C–O: 1210–1163  $\text{cm}^{-1}$
- acetates: 1240  $\text{cm}^{-1}$
- $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated esters: 1300–1160  $\text{cm}^{-1}$
- benzoate esters: 1310–1250  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

Infrared spectrum of isopropyl acetate:



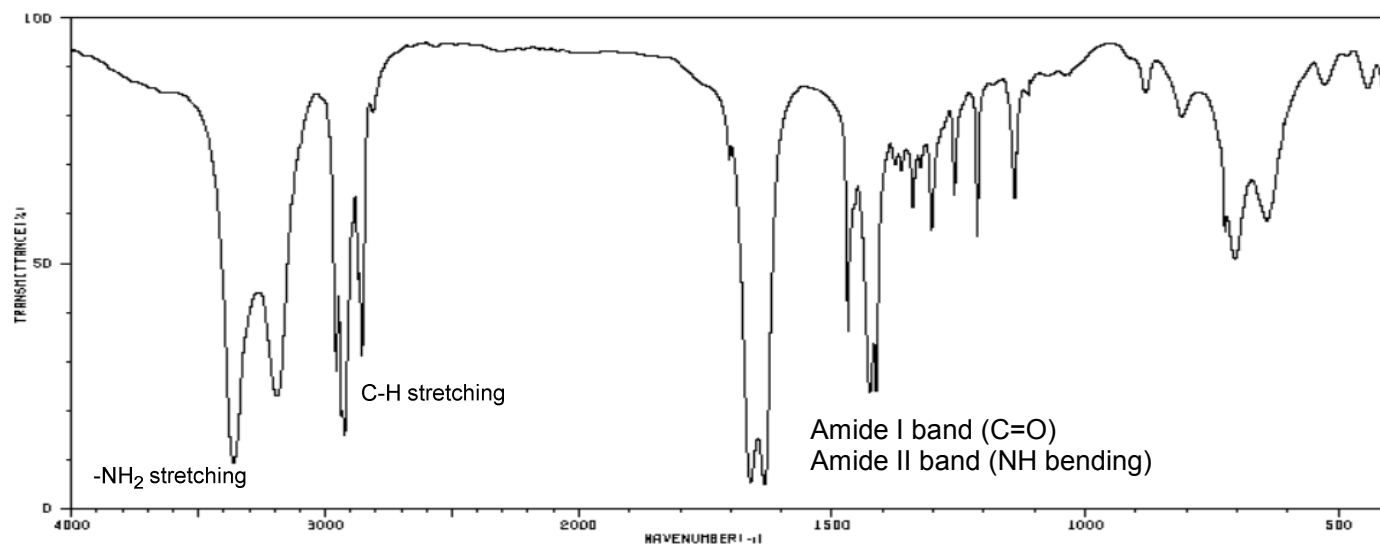
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# The Infrared Spectra of Amides

## Dominant Observable Vibrations:

C=O stretching                      ~1660-1680  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   
 N-H stretching                      ~3200-3500  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

Infrared spectrum of octanamide:



3362	9	2811	77	1376	68	1140	60	706	49
3190	22	1703	68	1363	66	1112	81	641	57
2956	26	1661	5	1341	58	881	81	528	64
2936	18	1633	4	1326	66	872	84	442	81
2923	14	1469	35	1304	55	810	77		
2871	44	1428	22	1259	82	798	79		
2856	30	1413	29	1214	63	724	69		

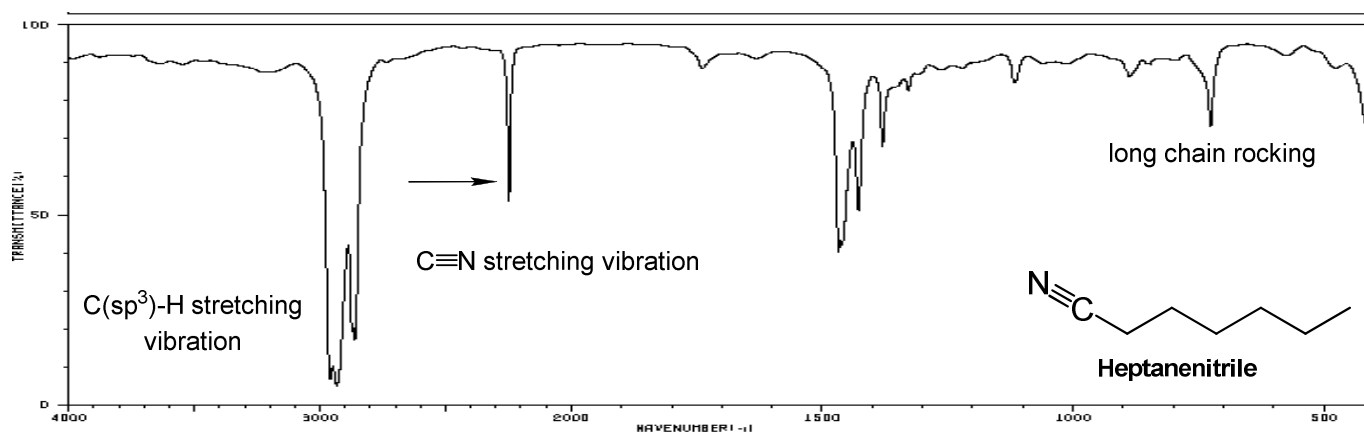
$$\text{CH}_3 - (\text{CH}_2)_6 - \overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}{\text{C}} - \text{NH}_2$$

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# The Infrared Spectra of Nitriles

$\text{-C}\equiv\text{N}$  triple bond stretch  $\sim 2240\text{-}2280\text{ cm}^{-1}$

Infrared spectrum of heptanenitrile:

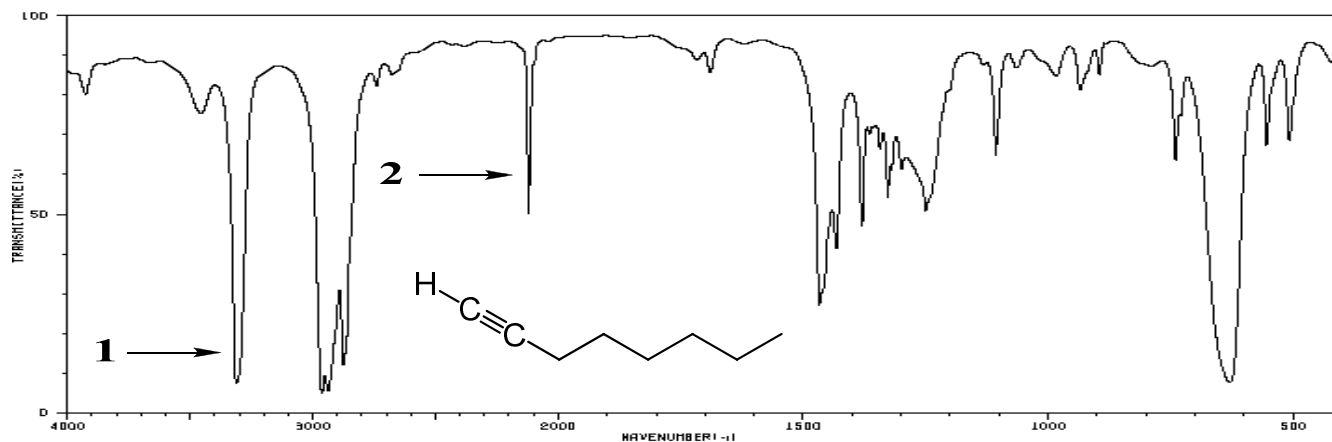


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## Comparison with terminal alkynes ( $\text{R-C}\equiv\text{C-H}$ )

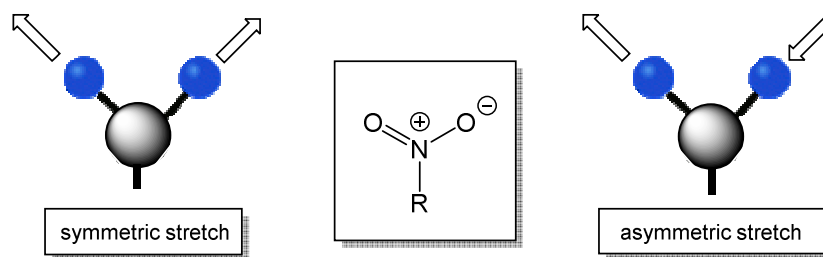
Both alkynes and nitriles possess triple bonded functional groups that appear in nearly the same region in the infrared spectrum. A key difference is that the alkynes (if they are terminal alkynes) will possess additional features that should readily allow for diagnostic confirmation for one functional group or the other.

1-octyne (a terminal alkyne):  $3323, 3024, 2926, 1636, 1466, 964\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .



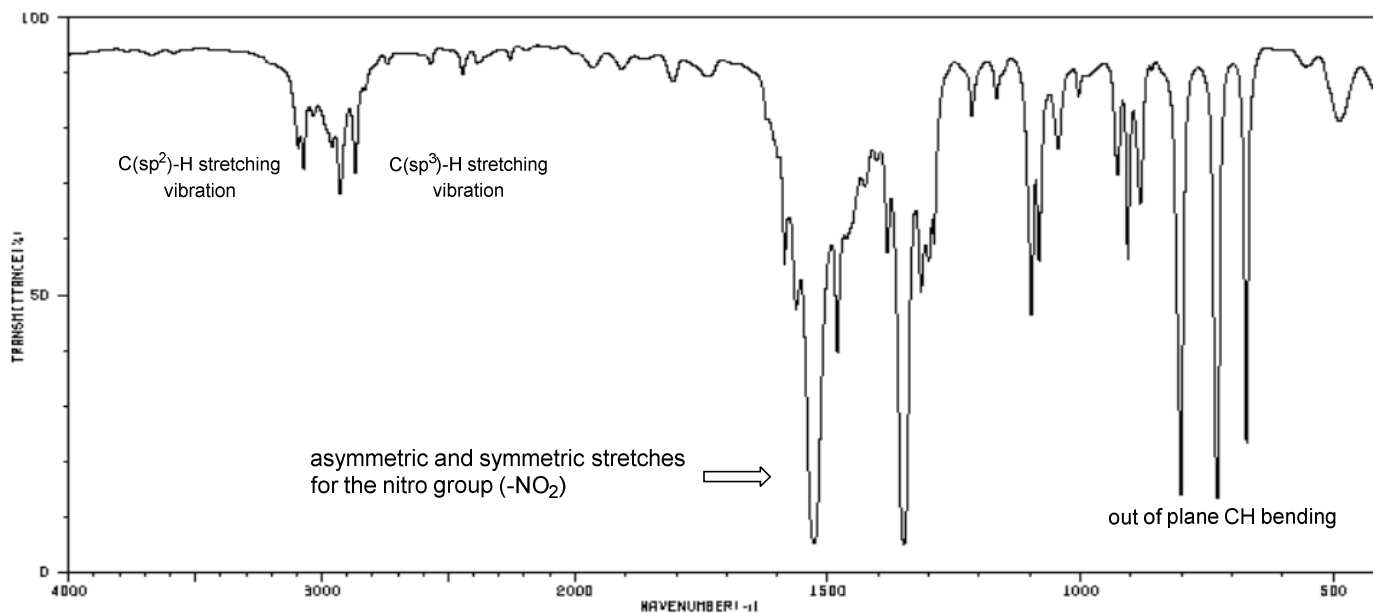
# The Infrared Spectra of Nitrocompounds

## Dominant Observable Vibrations

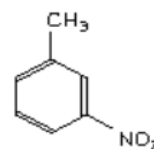


Two bands are observed in the spectrum (symmetric and asymmetric) at  $1300\text{-}1380\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (m-s) and  $1500\text{-}1570\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (m-s).

Infrared spectrum of *meta*-nitrotoluene



3094	74	1740	86	1403	72	1157	81	927	58
3072	70	1735	86	1382	55	1097	44	906	53
3032	79	1588	53	1350	4	1082	53	882	54
2960	74	1562	46	1316	49	1044	74	802	13
2927	66	1527	4	1301	53	1004	81	729	12
2867	70	1482	38	1290	57	993	86	672	22
1806	84	1427	68	1216	79	988	86	488	79



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