

Hydrogen bonds in cryogenic matrixes

WHY CRYOGENIC MATRIXES –

COLD MOLECULE SPECTROSCOPY

METHODS TO OBTAIN COLD MOLECULES

**APPLICATION OF THE METHODS TO PROBLEMS OF
OUR INTEREST**

WHY COLD MOLECULE SPECTROSCOPY?

SPECTRA WITH SMALLER LINE WIDTHS

STUDY OF WEAK COMPLEXES

STUDY OF INTRA MOLECULAR ENERGY TRANSFER DYNAMICS

COLD MOLECULE ALONE IS NOT SUFFICIENT –

YOU NEED COLD **ISOLATED MOLECULES**

SPECTROSCOPISTS USE TWO POPULAR METHODS TO PRODUCE COLD ISOLATED MOLECULES

SUPERSONIC EXPANSION

MOLECULES ARE EXPANDED FROM A HIGH PRESSURE SOURCE,
THROUGH A NOZZLE, CAUSING COOLING OF INTERNAL ENERGY

– *SUBTLE METHOD*

MATRIX ISOLATION

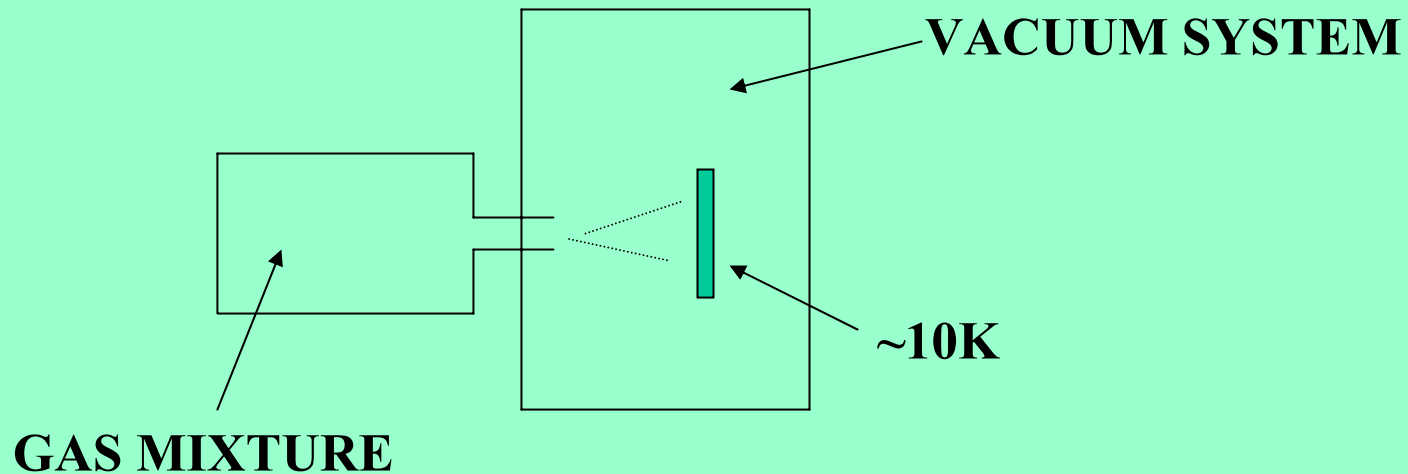
MOLECULES ARE TRAPPED IN AN INERT MATRIX ON TO
A COLD FINGER - *BRUTE FORCE METHOD*

WHAT IS MATRIX ISOLATION?

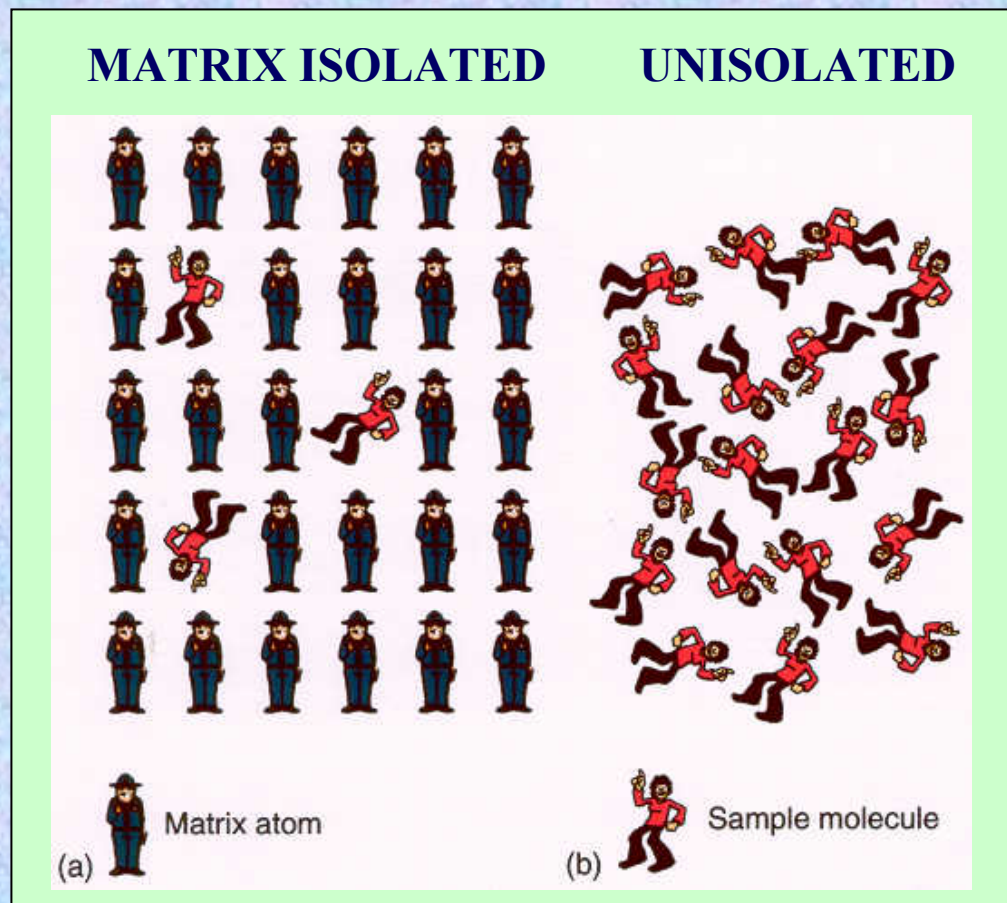
MIX THE SAMPLE WITH A LARGE EXCESS OF AN INERT GAS

e.g. ACETYLENE IN ARGON

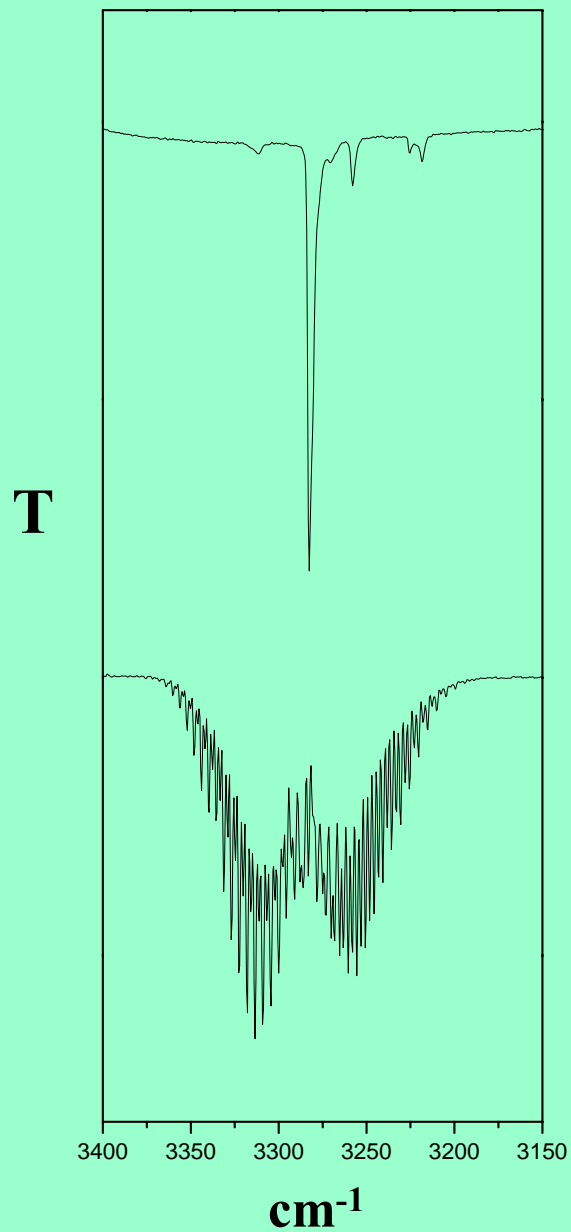
LARGE EXCESS \Rightarrow 1 : ~1000 OF ACETYLENE TO ARGON



PICTURE OF MOLECULAR ARRANGEMENT



INFRA RED SPECTRA OF ACETYLENE



Matrix isolated C_2H_2 (in Argon)

Gas phase C_2H_2

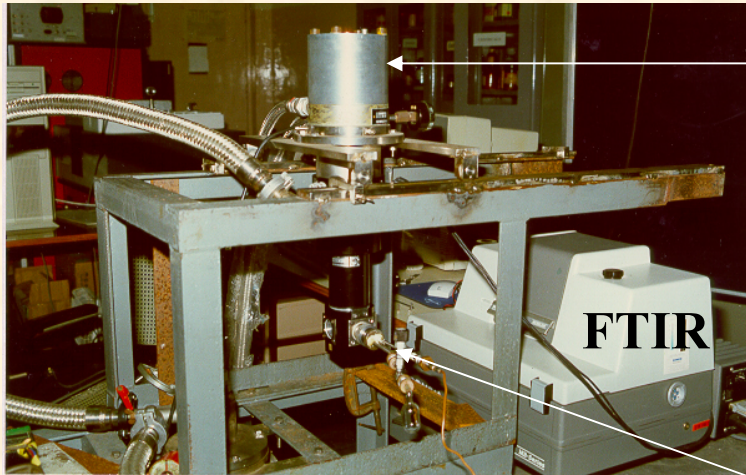
Smaller linewidths

Rovibronic population confined to just a few levels - Low Temperature

Reduced intermolecular interactions

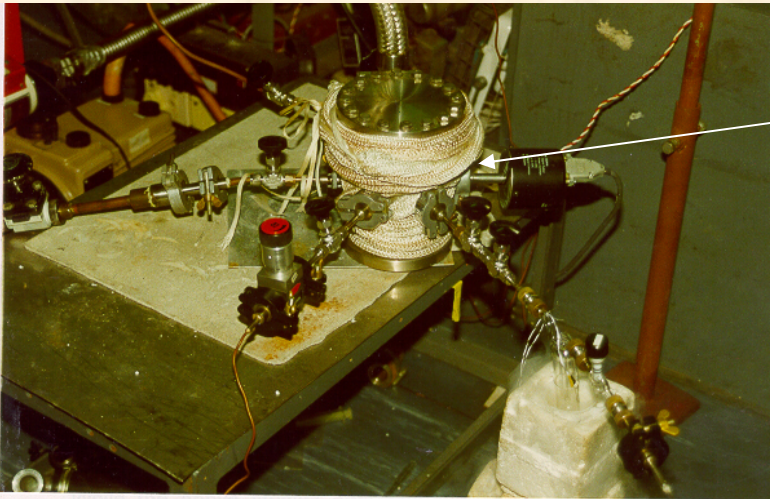
Doppler broadening X

MATRIX ISOLATION IR SET UP



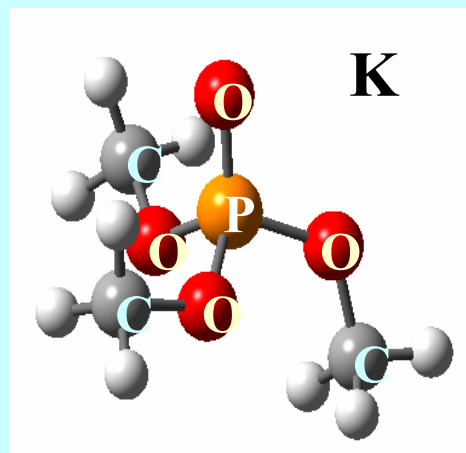
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EFFUSIVE NOZZLE

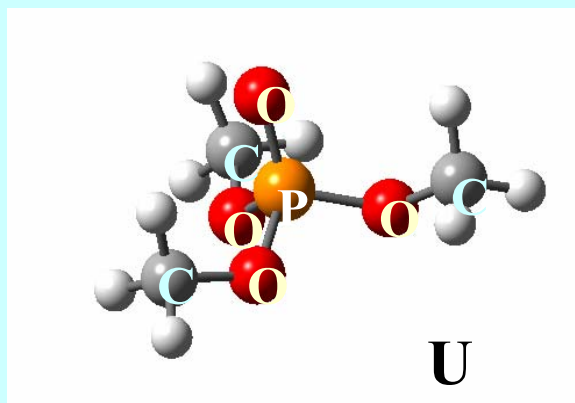
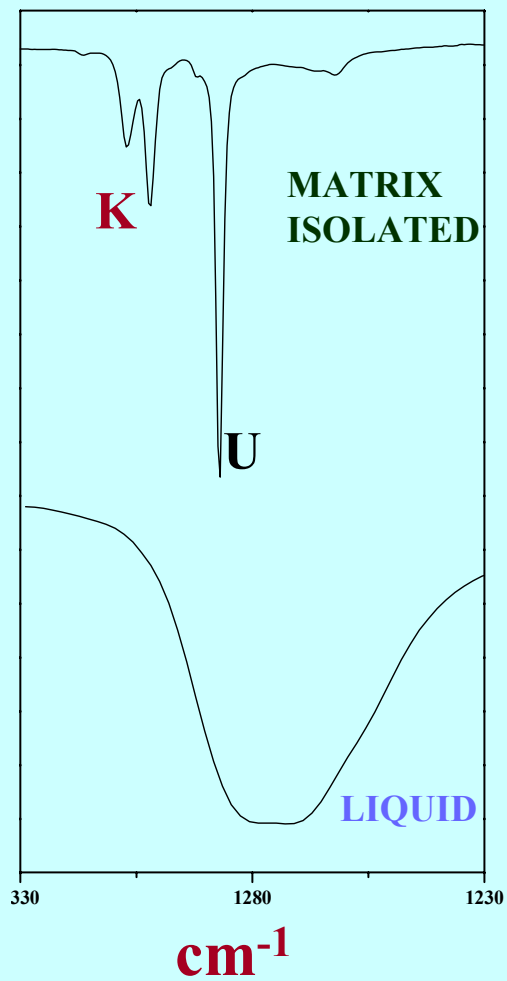


**MIXING
CHAMBER**

INFRA RED SPECTRA OF TMP



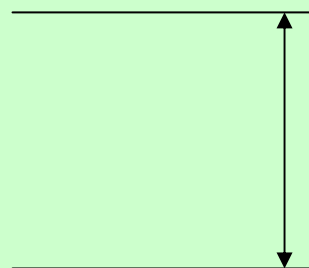
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POPULATION PROBLEM!

CONFORMATION 'K'

CONFORMATION 'U'



$$\Delta E = 0.5 \text{ kcal/mol}$$



$$\text{AT } T = 300 \text{ K} \quad N_K/N_U = 0.2$$

$$\text{AT } T = 10 \text{ K} \quad N_K/N_U = 10^{-8}$$

AT 10K, WE SHOULD THEREFORE NOT SEE THE 'K' FORM

BUT BOTH CONFORMERS ARE SEEN!!!???

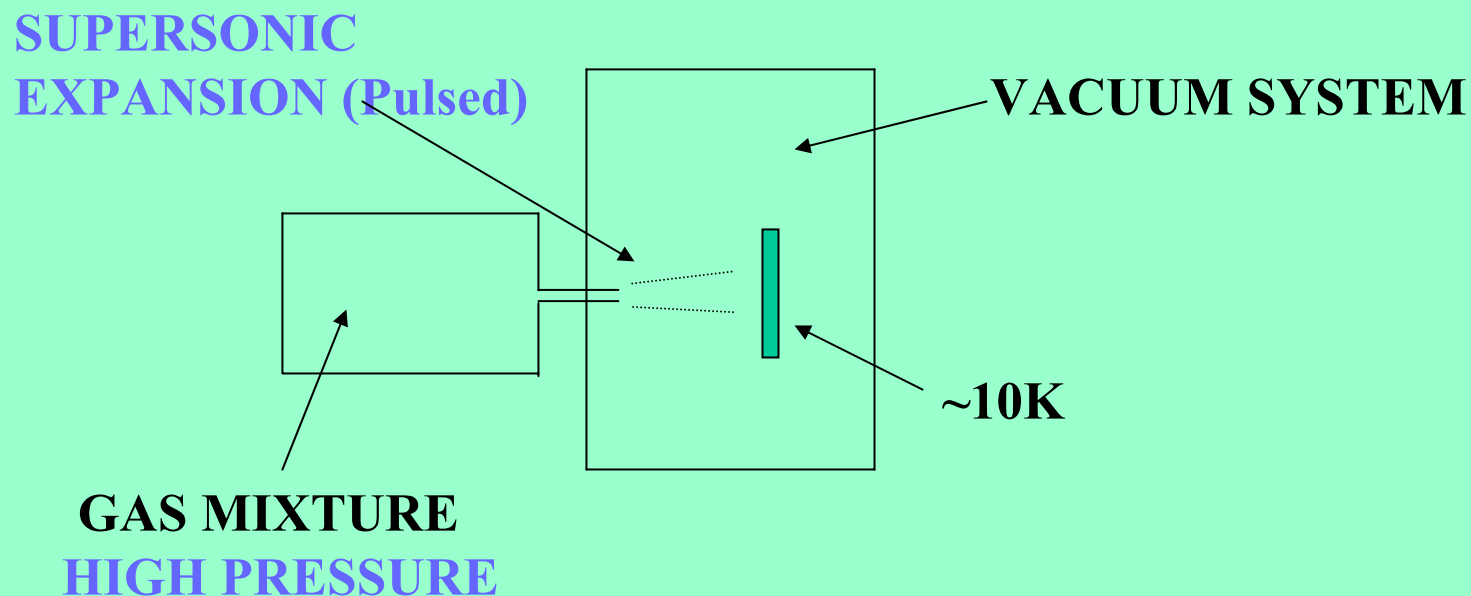
REASON

ROOM TEMPERATURE POPULATION FROZEN IN THE MATRIX

CAGE BARRIER PREVENTS INTERCONVERSION

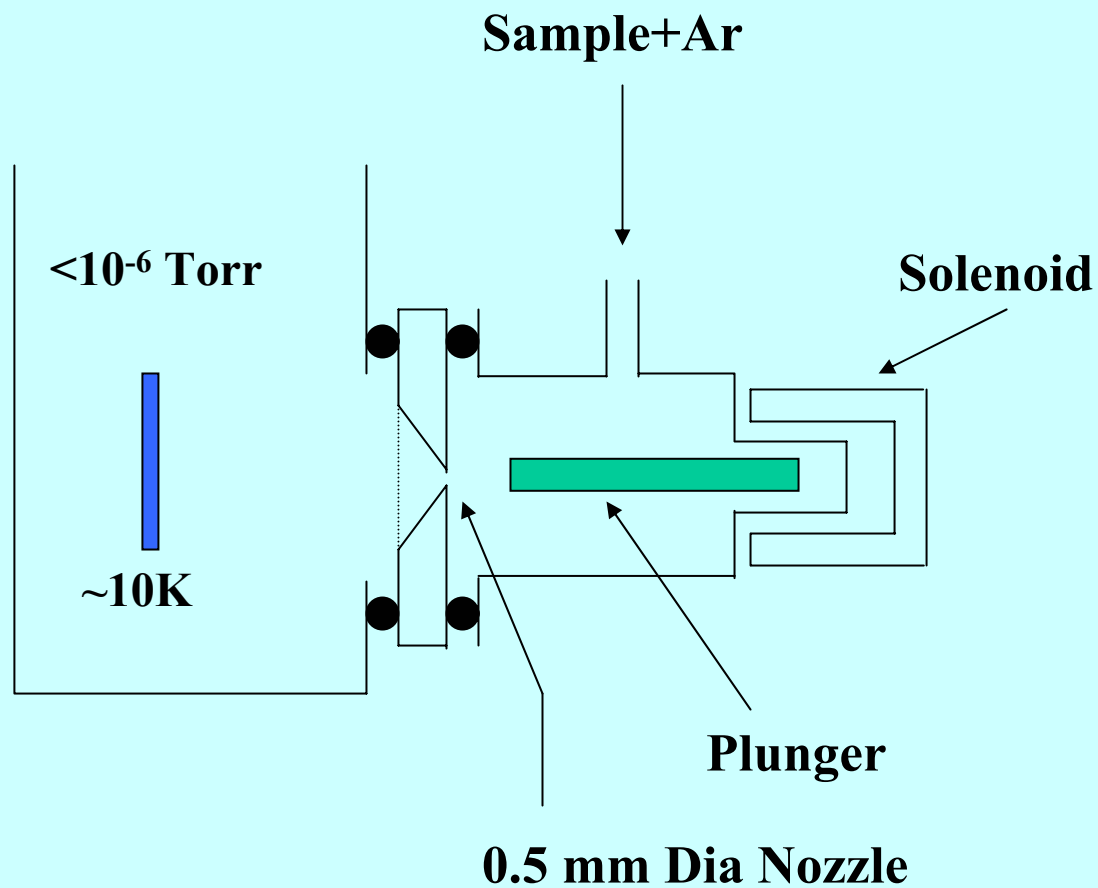
HOW ABOUT COOLING THE MOLECULES IN THE GAS PHASE WHERE NO CAGE EFFECT OPERATES

SUPERSONIC EXPANSION-MATRIX ISOLATION



THIS CAGE EFFECT TURNS OUT TO BE QUITE HELPFUL WHEN STUDYING WEAK INTERACTIONS

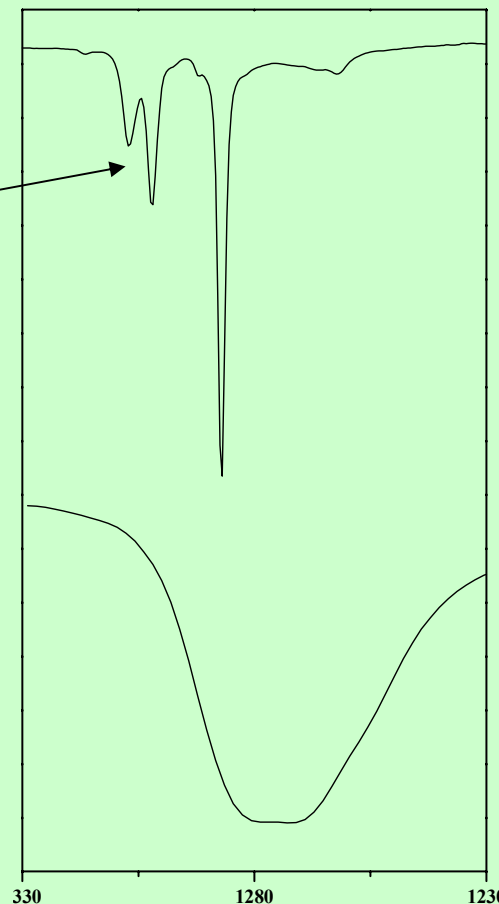
PULSED SUPERSONIC NOZZLE SOURCE FOR MI



When a supersonic jet source was to deposit the matrix

This peak was shown to deplete in intensity

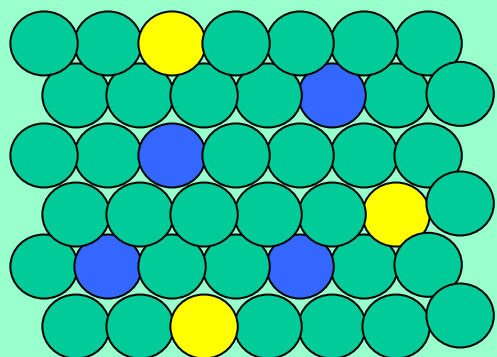
Indicating that the peak must be due to the higher energy conformer



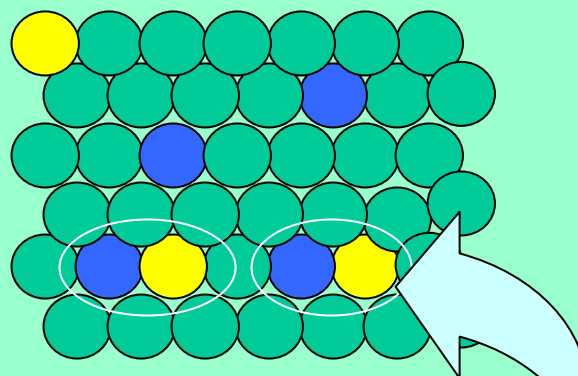
The combination of effusive and supersonic sources are therefore effective when doing matrix isolation spectroscopy

INTERMOLECULAR INTERACTIONS USING MATRIX ISOLATION SPECTROSCOPY

STUDIES OF WEAK INTERACTIONS – HYDROGEN BONDED, VAN DER WAALS



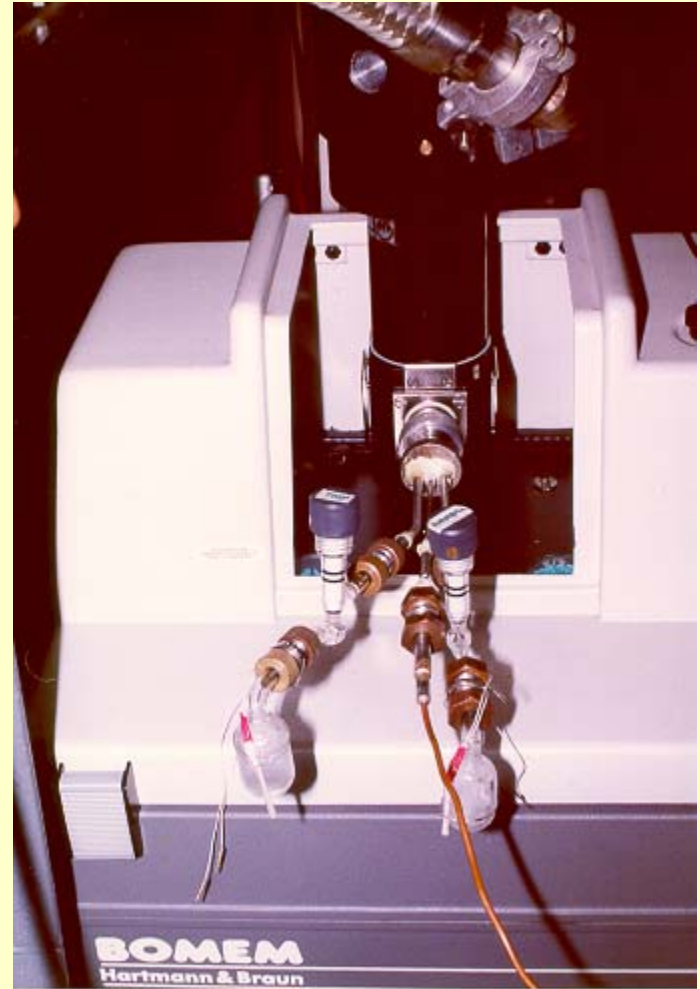
ANNEAL



**NEW FEATURES
FOLLOWING ANNEALING
MUST CORRESPOND TO**



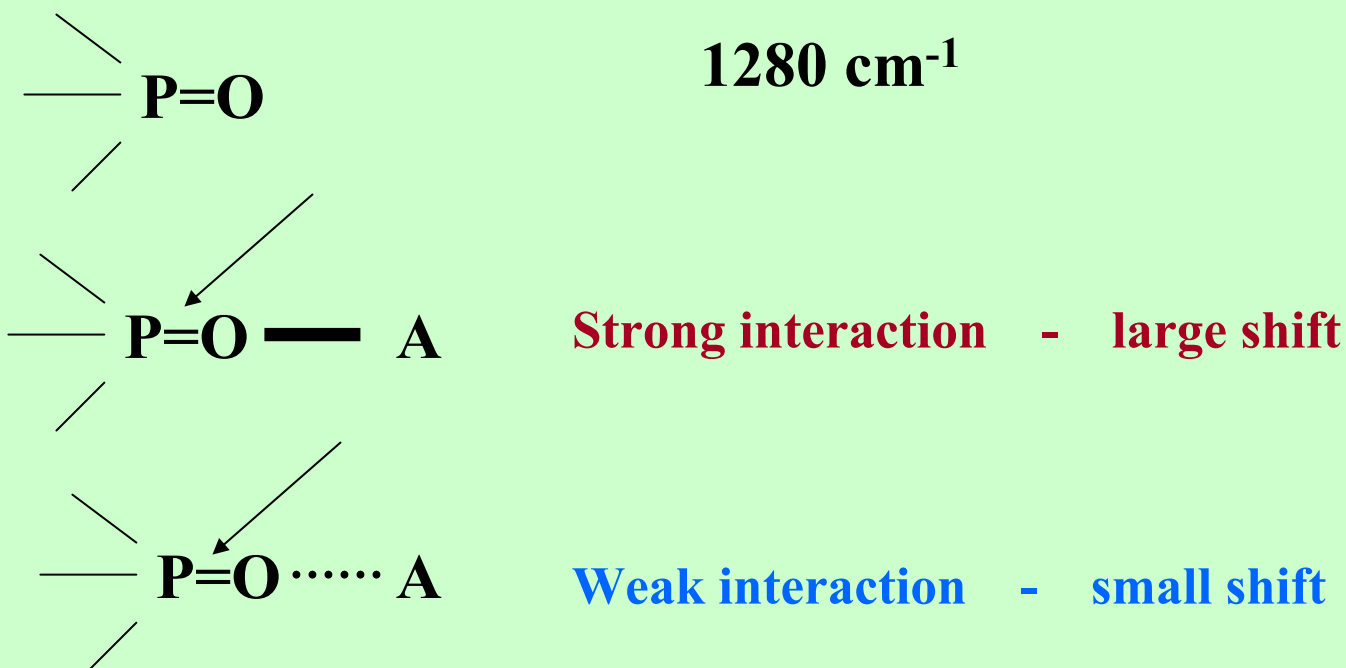
CODEPOSITION NOZZLE



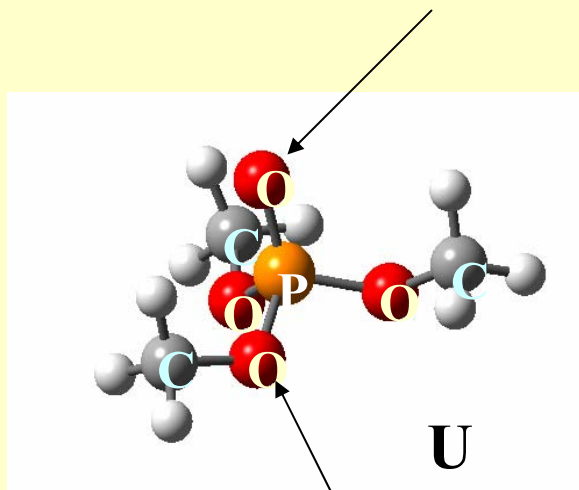
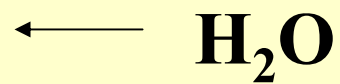
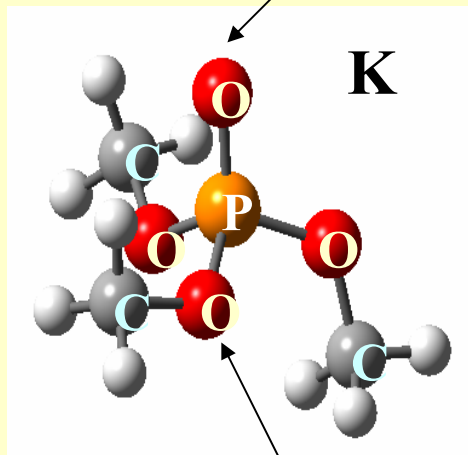
HOW DO YOU KNOW A COMPLEX IS FORMED?

- * NEW FEATURES SEEN ONLY WHEN BOTH REAGENTS ARE CODEPOSITED
- * INTENSITY OF THE NEW FEATURES INCREASE WHEN CONCENTRATIONS OF EACH REAGENT IS INCREASED

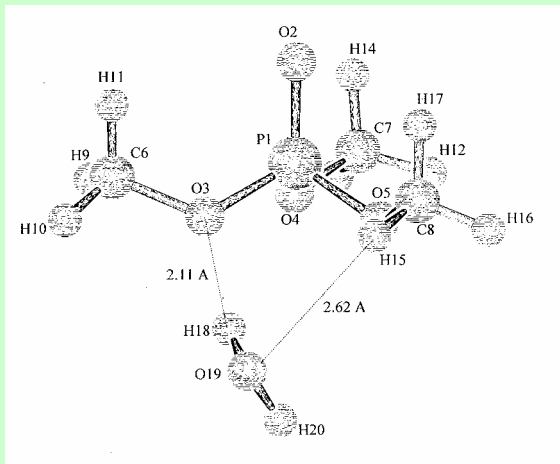
WHAT ABOUT THE STRENGTH OF THE INTERACTION?



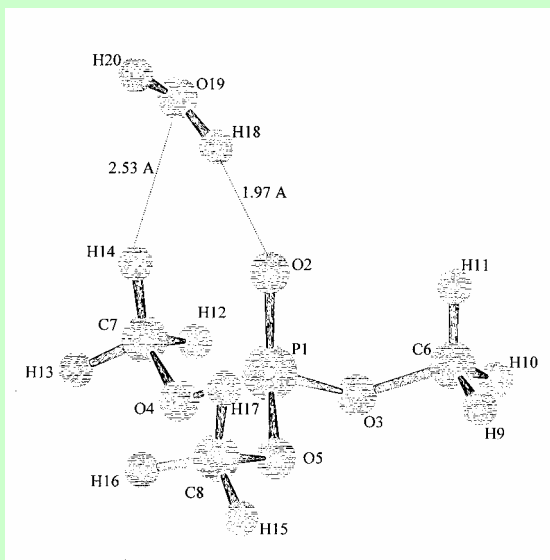
TMP-H₂O INTERACTION



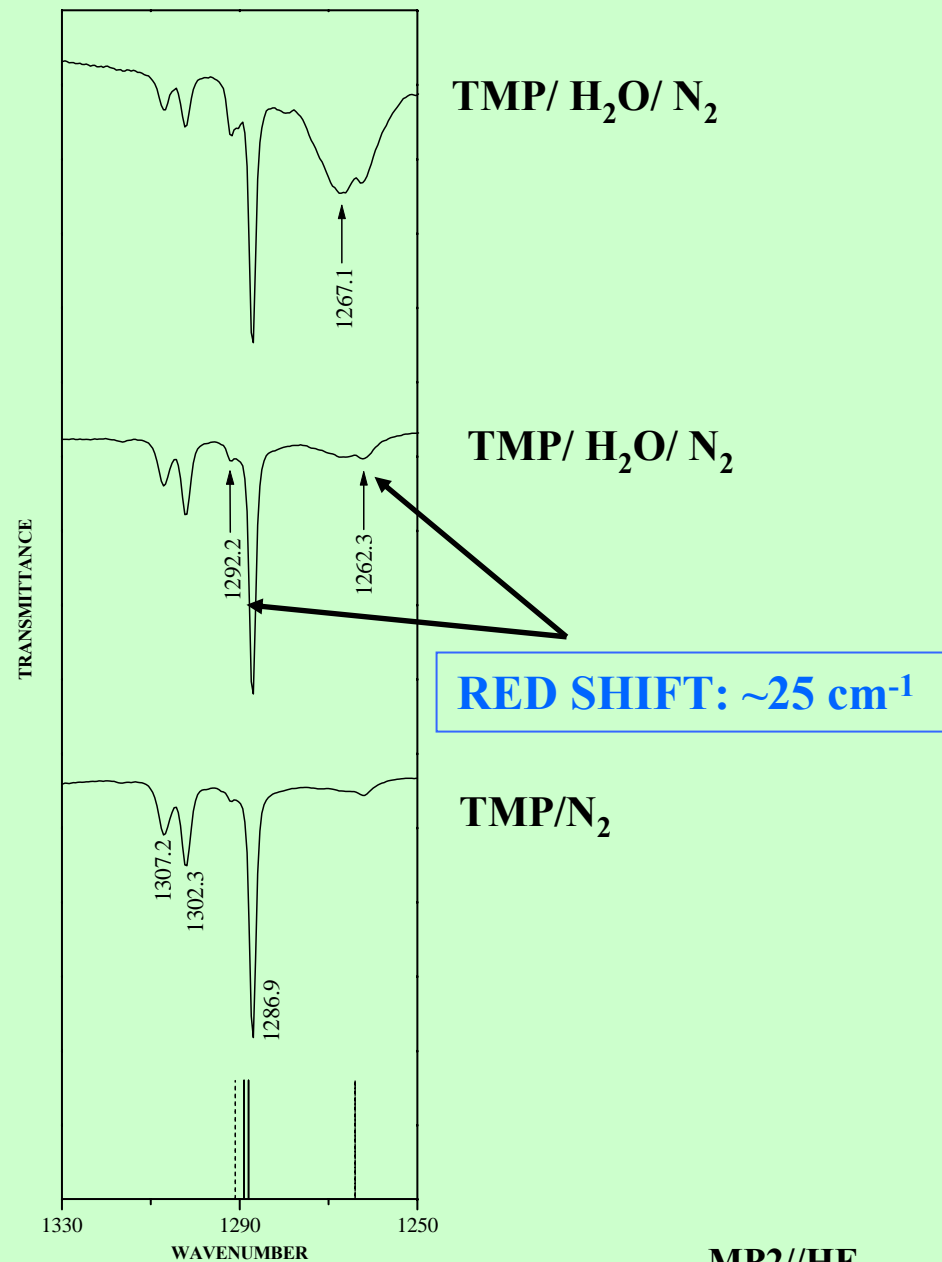
TMP-H₂O INTERACTION



$E_s = 10.9$ kJ/mol

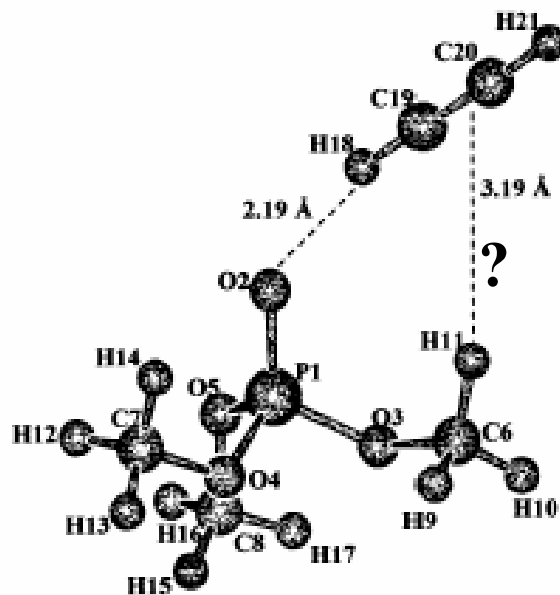
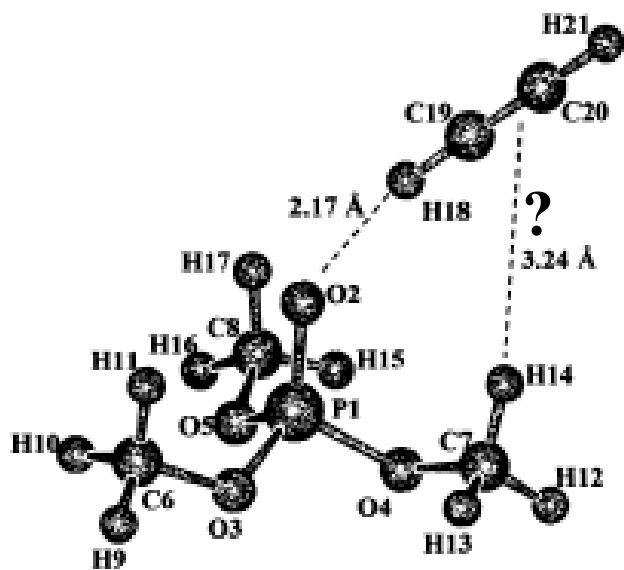


$E_s = 20.5$ kJ/mol



TMP-ACETYLENE COMPLEX

H-bonds with the phosphoryl oxygen



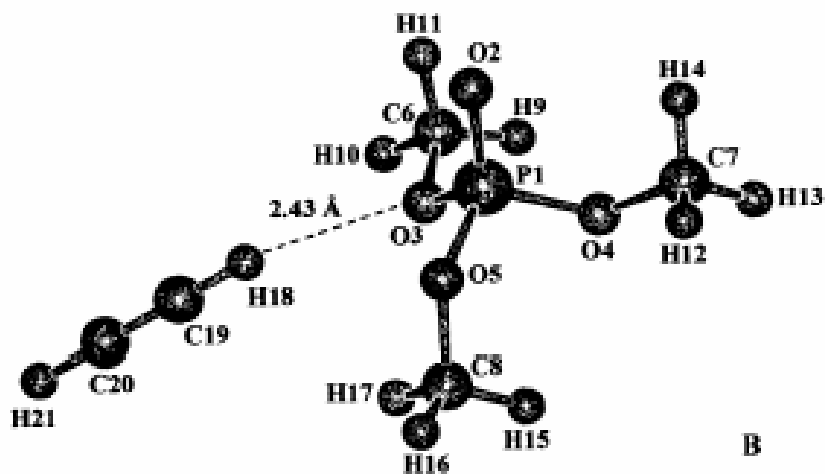
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Stabilization energy 15.9 kJ/mol

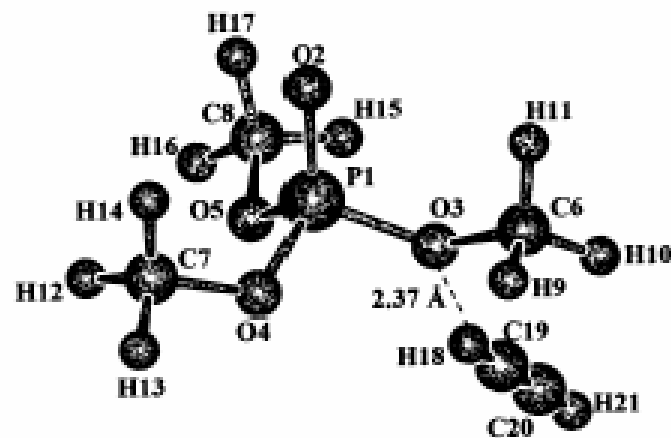
15.9 kJ/mol

TMP-ACETYLENE COMPLEX

H-bonds with the alkoxy oxygen



B

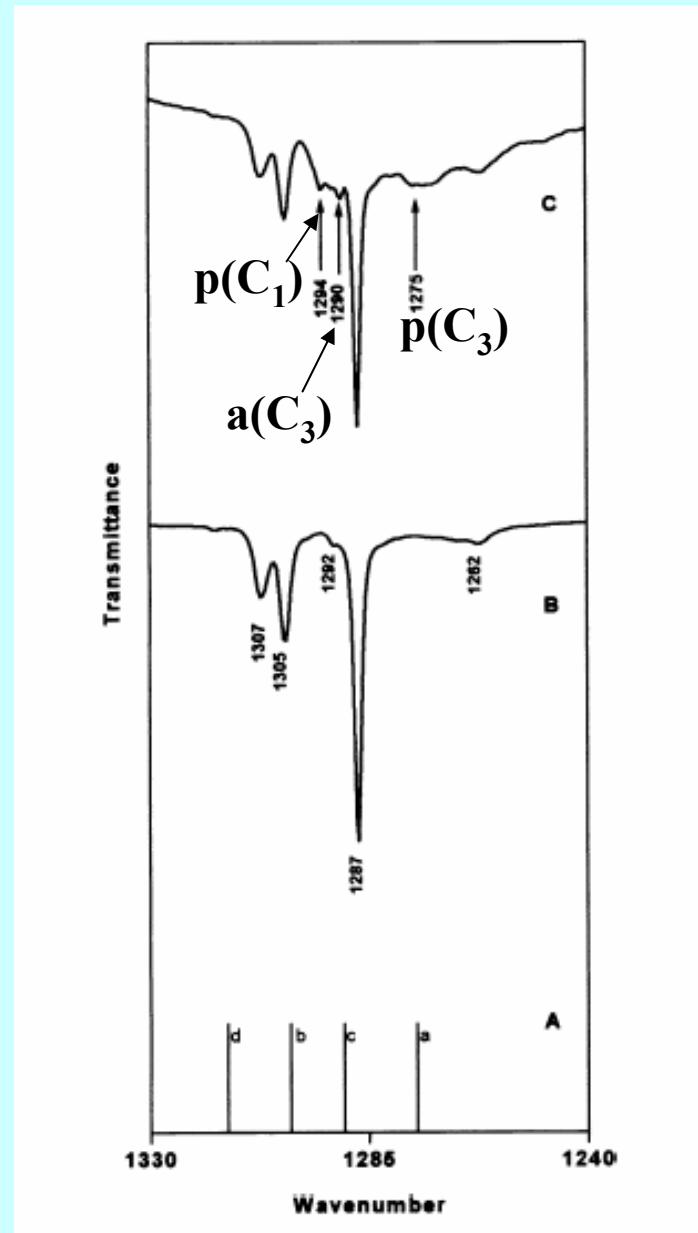
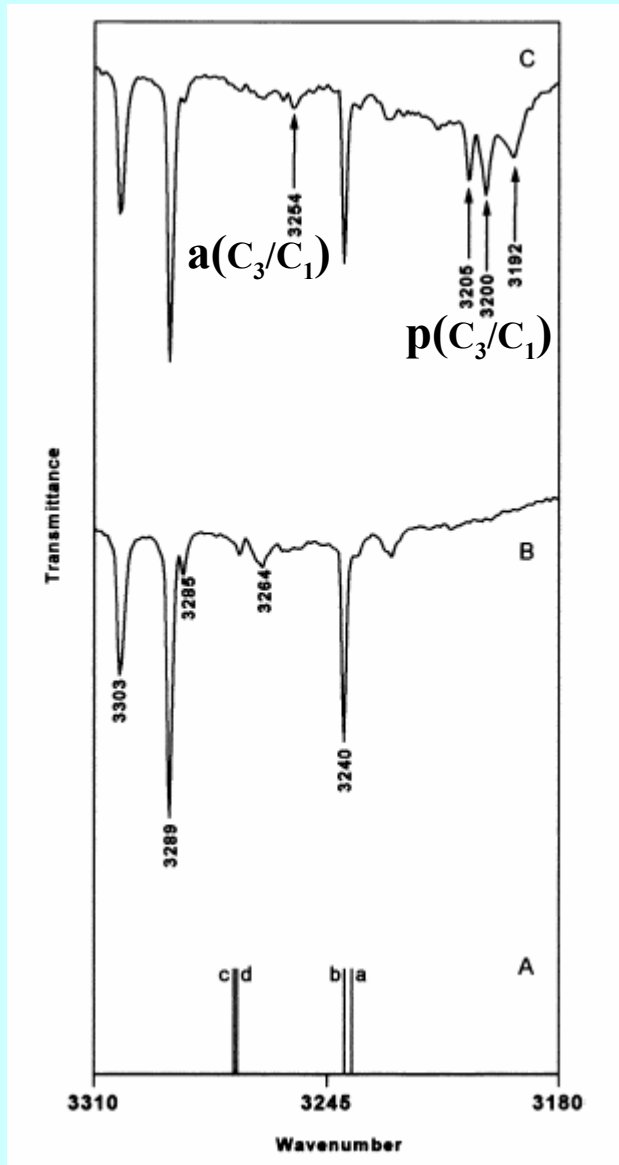


Stabilization energy

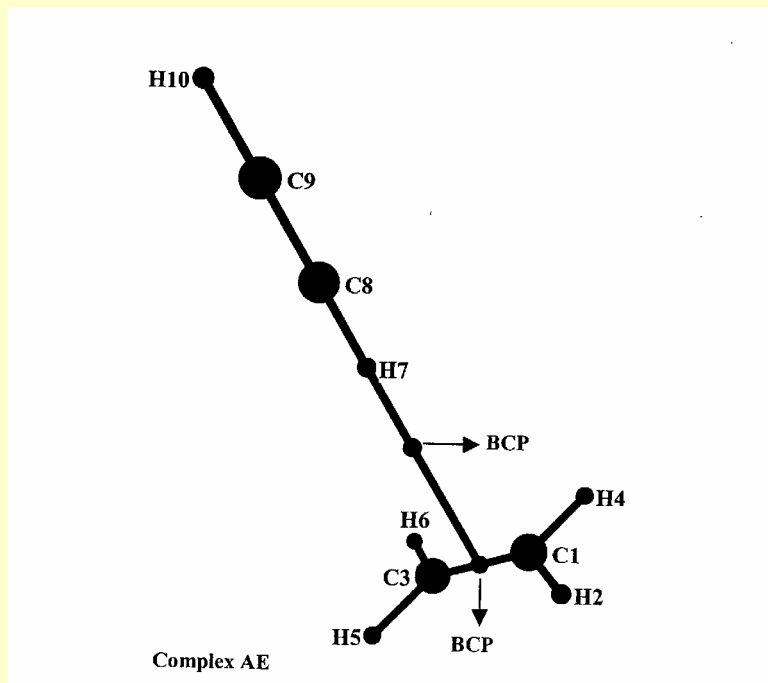
7.1 kJ/mol

7.5 kJ/mol

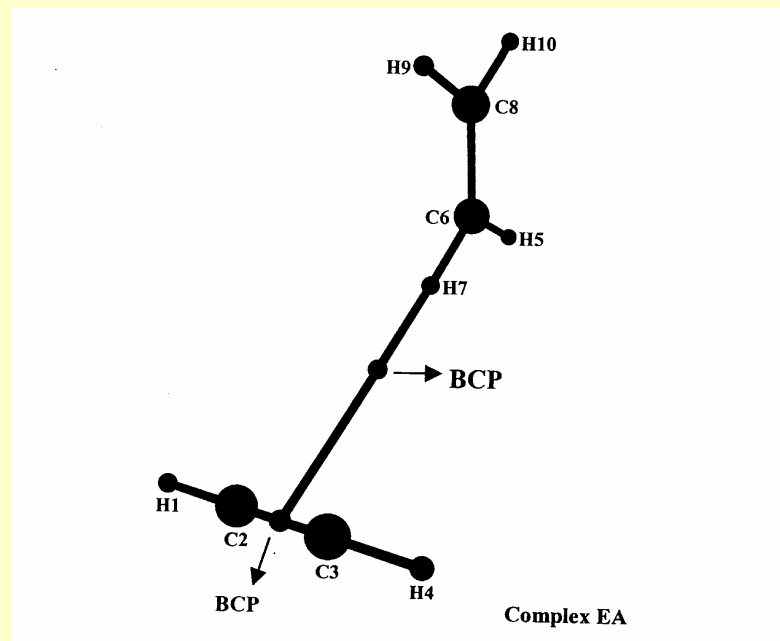
TMP-ACETYLENE COMPLEX



ACETYLENE-ETHYLENE COMPLEX



$E_s = 7.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$



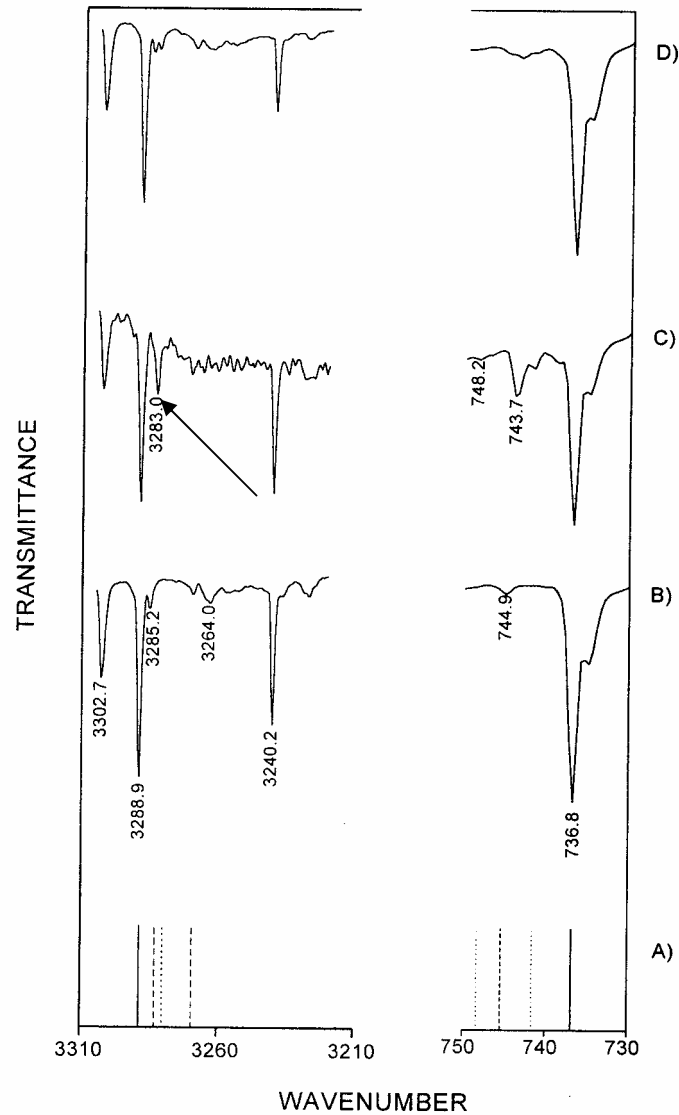
$E_s = 4.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$

ACETYLENE-ETHYLENE COMPLEX

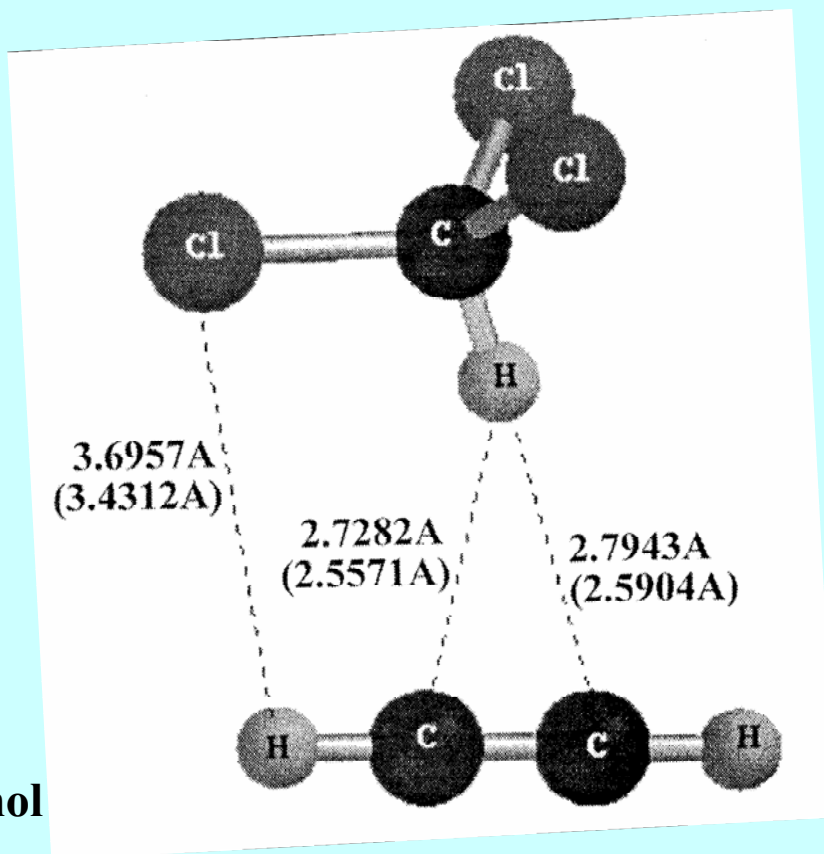
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ACETYLENE-CHLOROFORM COMPLEX

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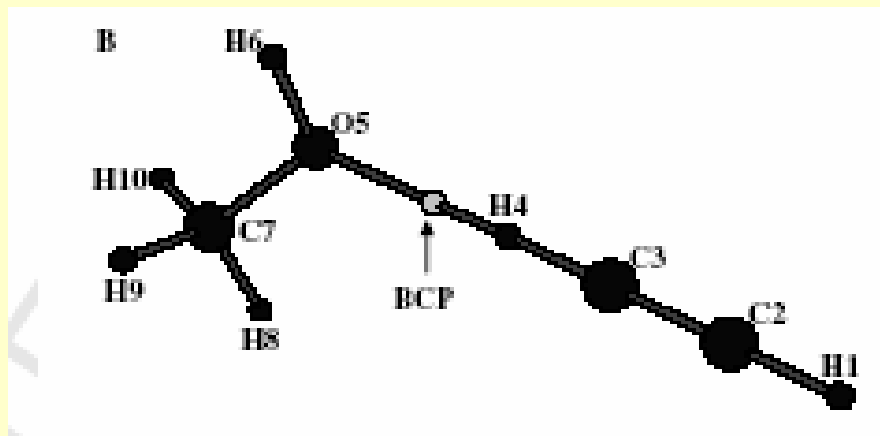
ACETYLENE-CHLOROFORM COMPLEX



$E_s = 6.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$

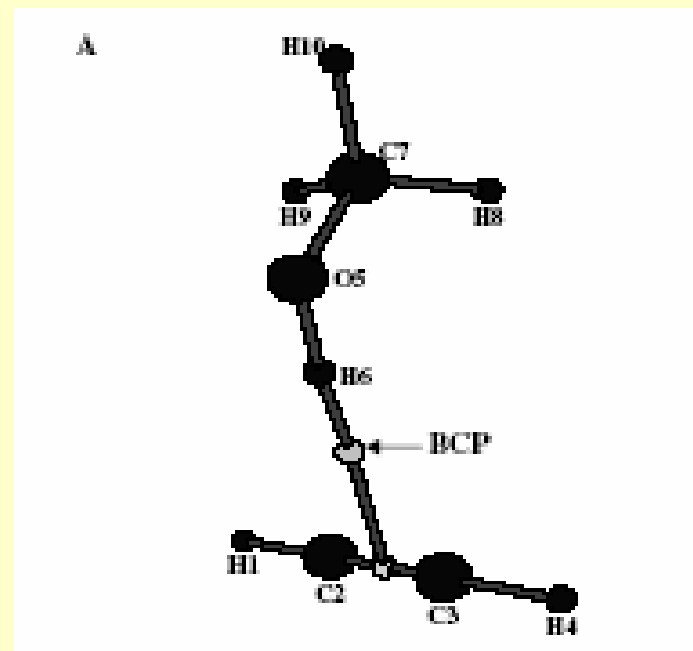
ACETYLENE-METHANOL COMPLEX

$E_s = 11.8 \text{ kJ/mol}$



AM complex

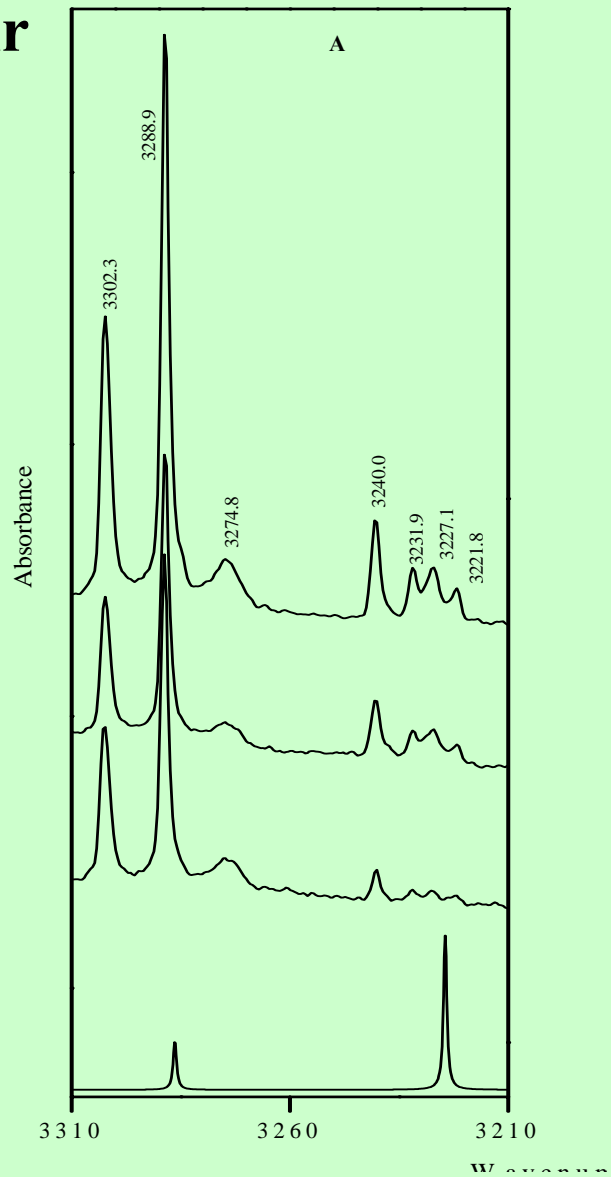
$E_s = 7.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$



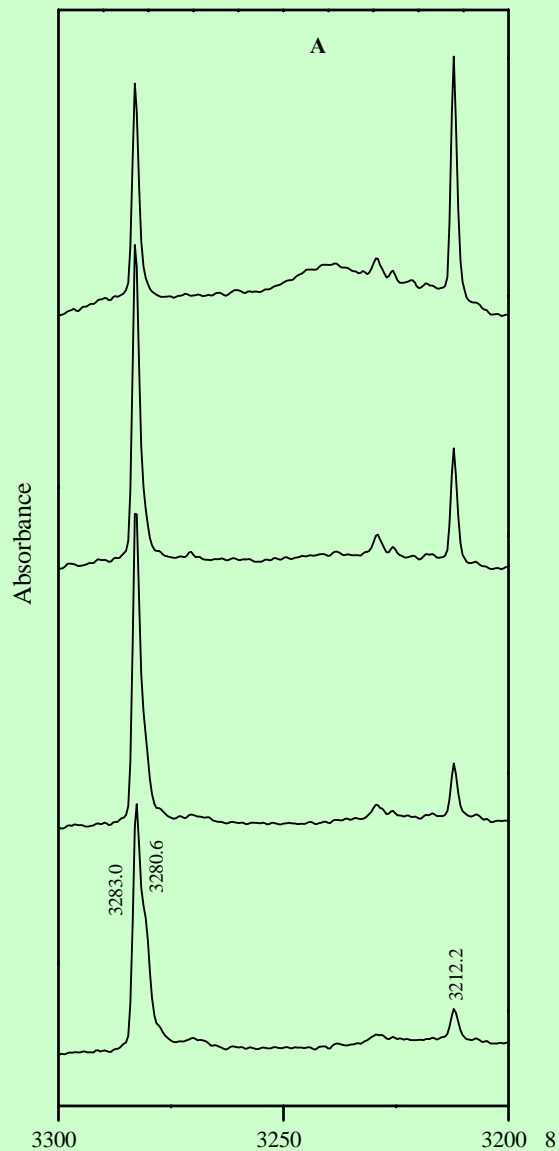
MA complex (H- π)

ACETYLENE-METHANOL COMPLEX

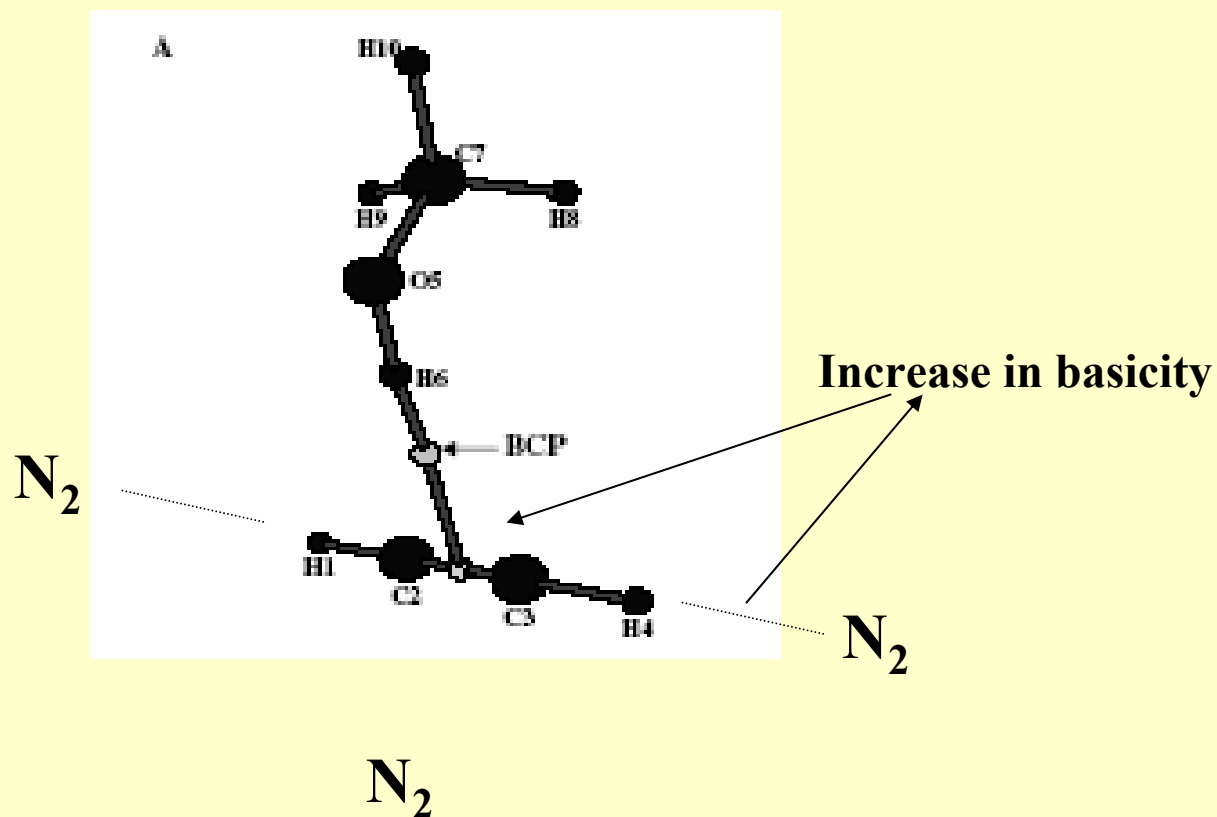
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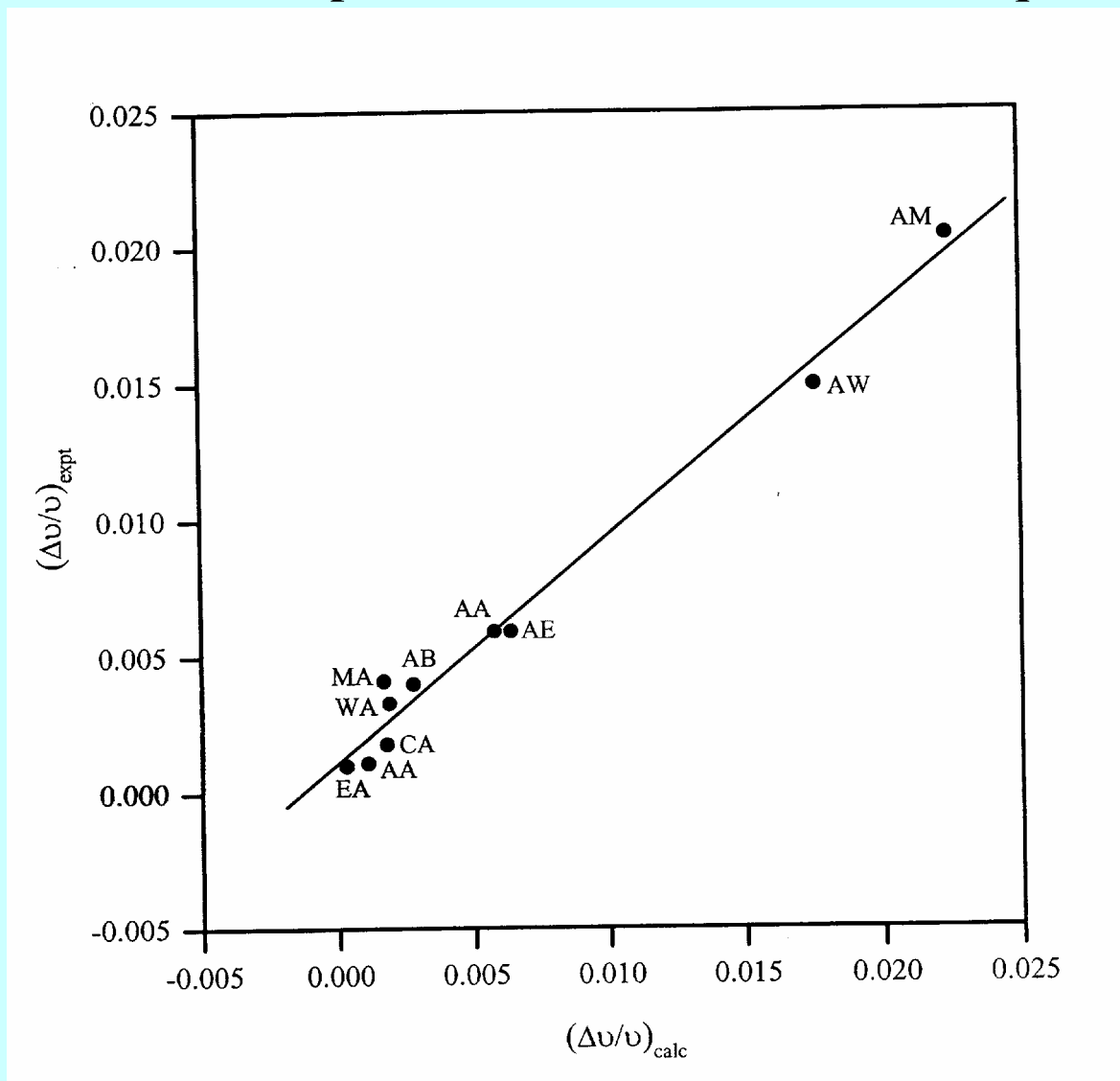
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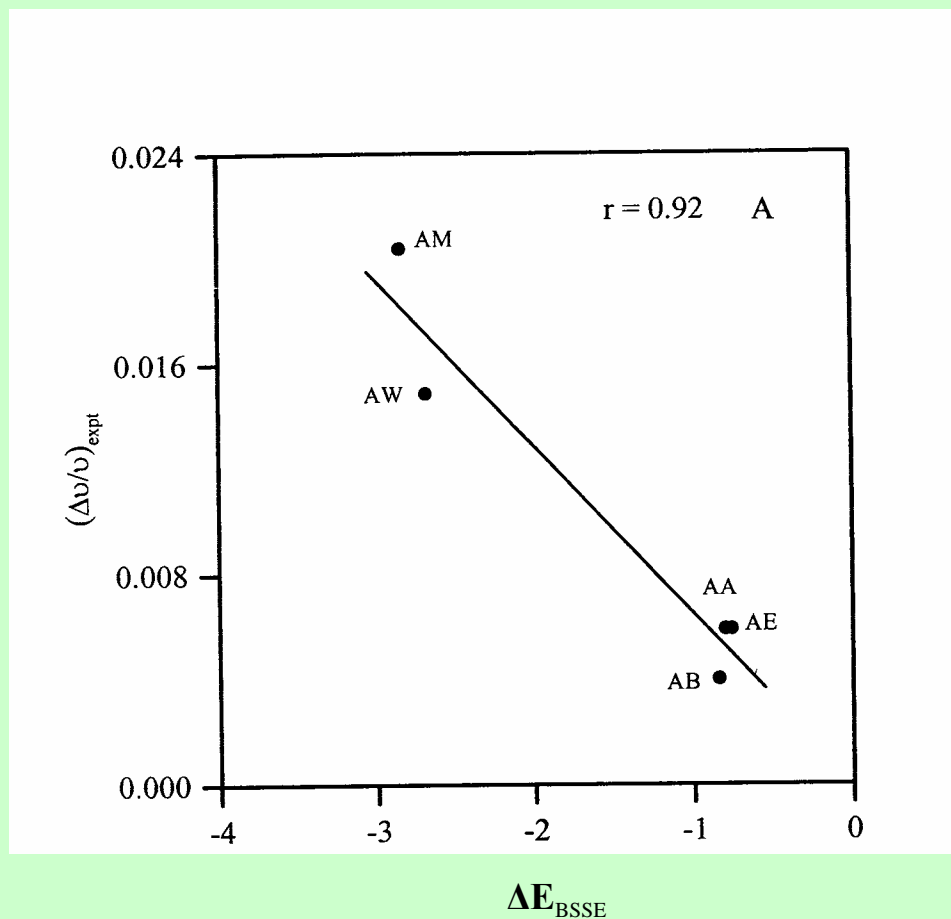
Role of the matrix in stabilizing very weak interactions



Experimental Vs Computed Shifts in Vibrational Frequencies

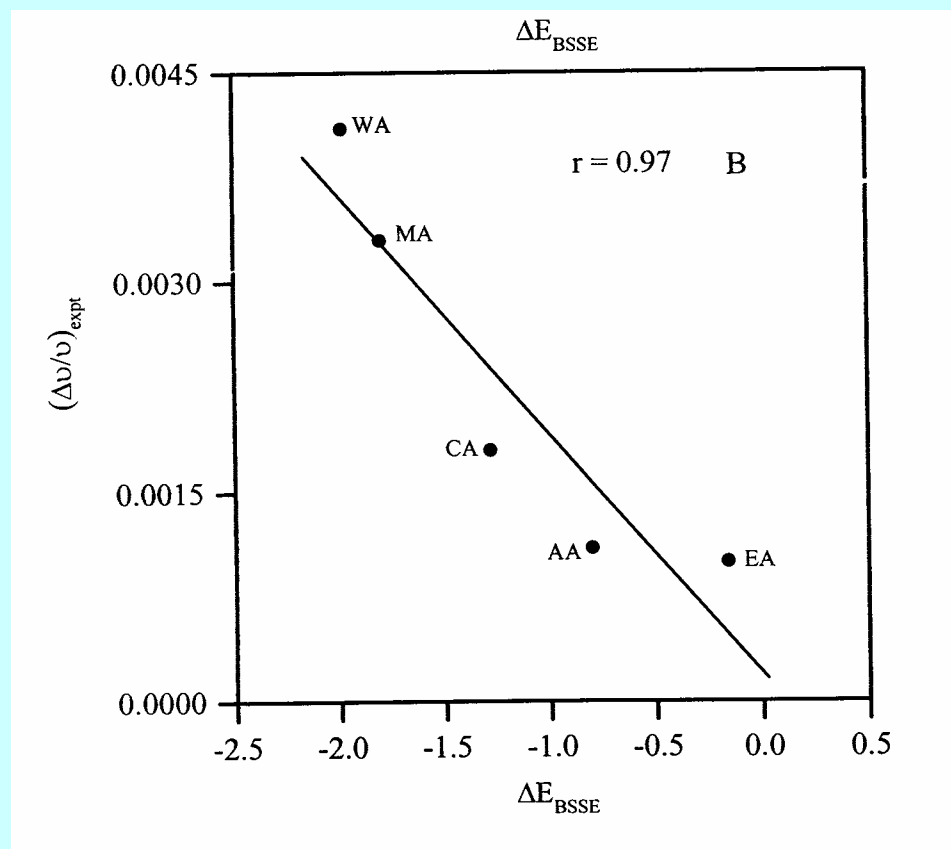


Experimental shifts Vs Computed Stabilization energies



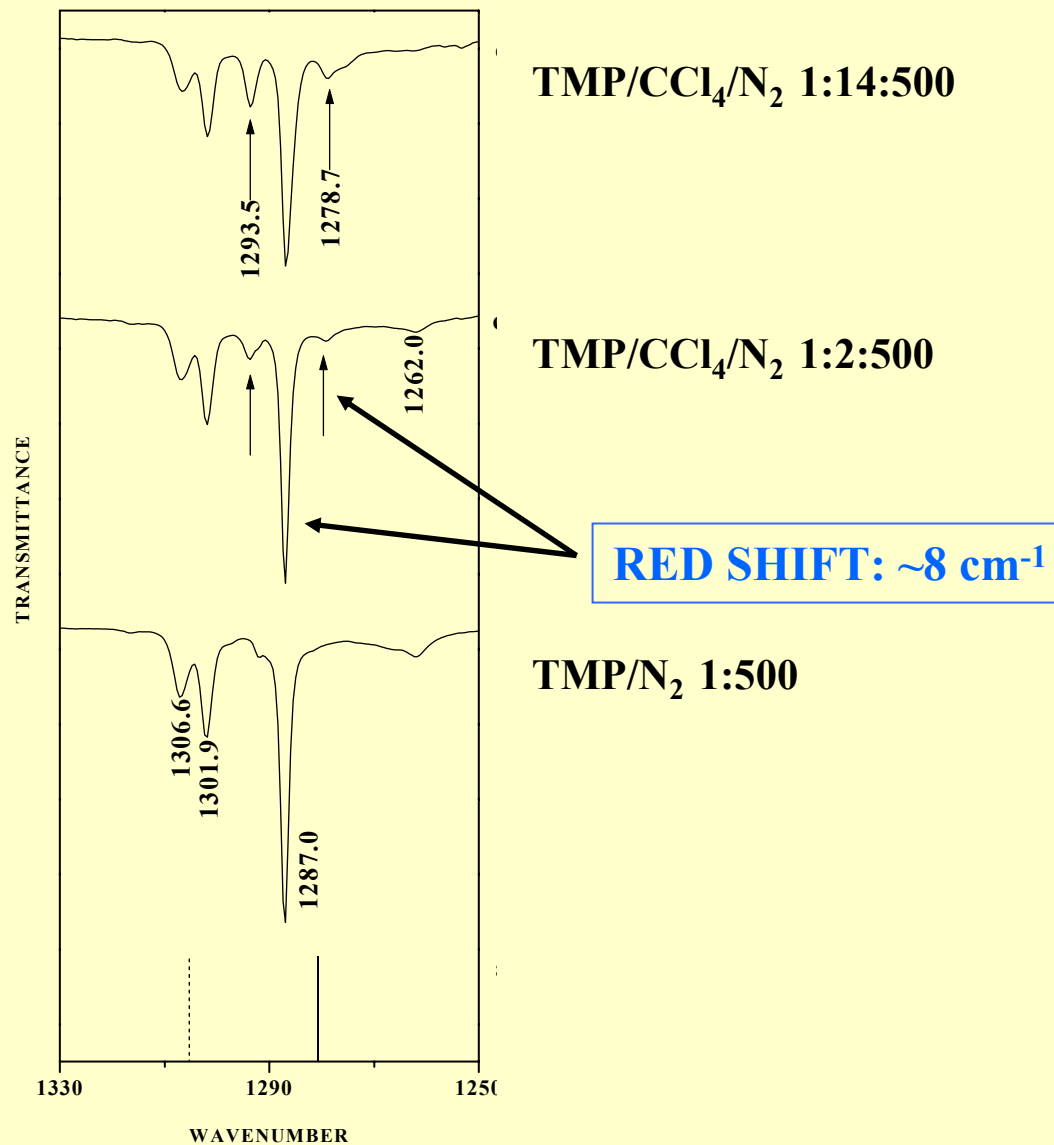
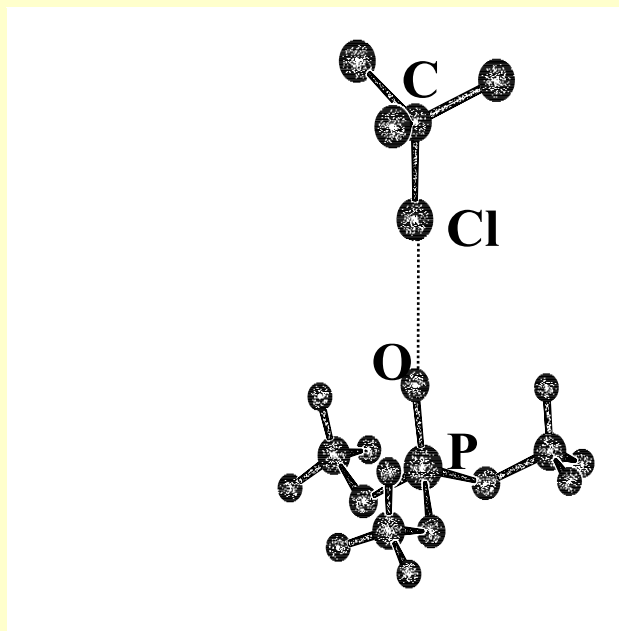
Complexes where C_2H_2 is the proton donor

Experimental shifts Vs Computed Stabilization energies



Complexes where C_2H_2 is the proton acceptor

TMP-CCl₄ INTERACTION



MATRIX ISOLATION

MOLECULAR STRUCTURES

WEAK COMPLEXES

Trapped in their minimum and unable to transform to a more stable minimum

The matrix aids in stabilizing this minimum by altering the basicity (or acidity) of the reagent

Such complexes would probably not be observed in gas phase studies where interconversion would be possible.

Certainly such weak complexes would elude conventional room temperature studies

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Thank You

TMP-H₂O INTERACTION

