

## Vibrational spectra and normal coordinate analysis of isoniazid

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**Abstract :** Isoniazid is an isonicotinic acid hydrazide and its molecular formula is  $C_6H_7N_3O$ . It is an antimycobacterial drug and regarded as the most effective agent in the treatment of tuberculosis disease. Also, it is a commonly used medication for Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) patients. In the present investigation, a normal coordinate analysis has been carried out for the molecule of the title compound using fundamental vibrations observed in FTIR and laser Raman spectra on the basis of  $C_i$  point group symmetry using Wilson's  $F-G$  matrix method. The orthonormal symmetry coordinates have been constructed and a systematic set of potential constants have been computed. The vibrational modes are classified into  $A'$  and  $A''$  irreducible representations. The 45 fundamental modes of vibration of isoniazid are distributed to these symmetry species as  $\Gamma_{\text{vib}} = 31 A' + 14 A''$ . In the present investigation, only 25 normal modes of vibration are considered such as 15  $A'$  vibrations and 10  $A''$  vibrations.

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### 1. Introduction

An extensive work has been carried out by several investigators on the title compound in the recent past [1–4]. Recently, normal coordinate analysis was carried out by Nakkeeran [1] by considering  $\text{NH}_2$  as a point mass. The FTIR and laser Raman spectra of isoniazid and its related compounds have been investigated [2] and vibrational assignments were made. Krishnakumar et al [3] have made a spectral and normal coordinate analysis of 2,4-dinitrophenyl hydrazine in analogy with the molecule of the title compound. Recently, frequency assignments have been made [4] on pharmaceutical active compounds like isokin, pyraldin and rifampin using FTIR and laser Raman spectroscopic measurements and the results obtained were briefly discussed. The present investigation has been undertaken to provide a satisfactory vibrational analysis of isoniazid through FTIR and laser Raman spectroscopy by taking  $\text{NH}_2$  group vibrations individually. To check whether the chosen set of vibrational frequencies

contribute maximum to the potential energy associated with the normal coordinates of the molecule, the potential energy distribution have been evaluated.

### 2. Experimental

The pure samples of isoniazid in solid phase were procured from SISCO-CHEM industries, Mumbai. The FTIR spectrum of the sample has been recorded in evacuation mode over the range  $4000\text{--}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$  using KBr pellet on Bruker IFS-66 V spectrophotometer and the laser Raman spectrum has been analysed over the region  $4000\text{--}50\text{ cm}^{-1}$  using DILOR Z-24 laser Raman spectrophotometer using krypton-ion laser source at Sophisticated Analytical Instrument Facility, IIT, Chennai, India. Both the spectra have been recorded at 303 K. The frequencies of all the sharp bands are accurate to  $\pm 1\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . A spectral width of  $4.29\text{ cm}^{-1}$  was used and spectra were measured with a scanning speed of  $1.87\text{ cm}^{-1}$  per minute. The FTIR and laser Raman spectra are

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presented in Figures 1 and 2 respectively. The observed frequencies along with the assignments are summarised in Table 1.

### 3. Theoretical consideration

The structure, nomenclature of parameters and the orientation of the principal axes of isoniazid molecule [5]

$\Gamma_{\text{vib}} = 31A' + 14A''$ . In view of the complexity of the structure of molecule, only limited modes of vibration are considered for normal coordinate analysis. However, 25 significant vibrational modes have been considered in the present study, which are distributed as 15A' vibrations, and 10A'' vibrations.

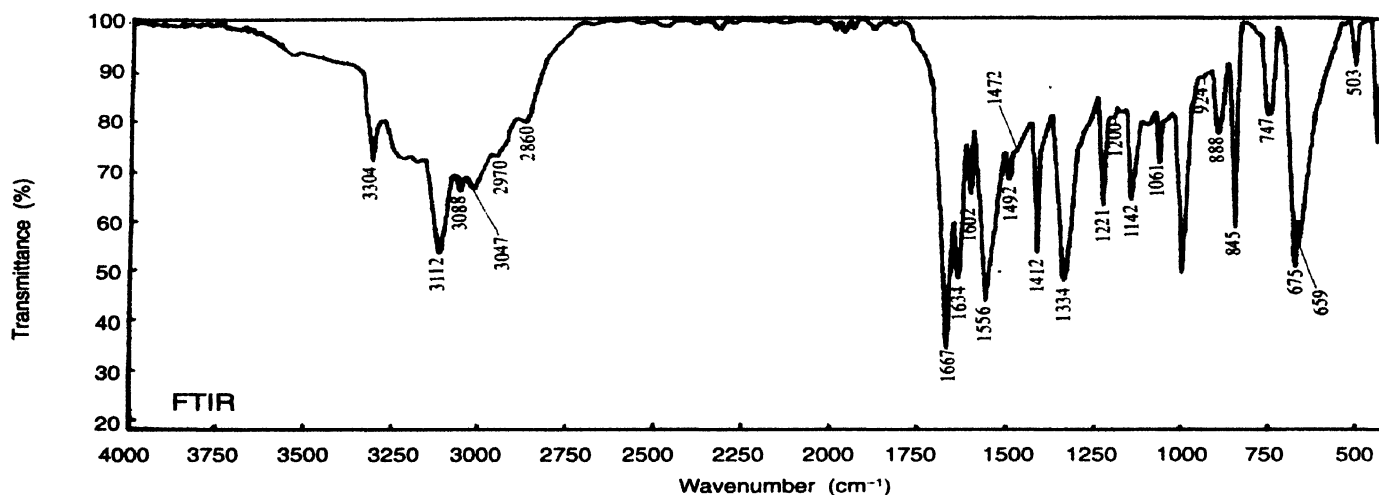


Figure 1. FTIR spectrum of isoniazid.

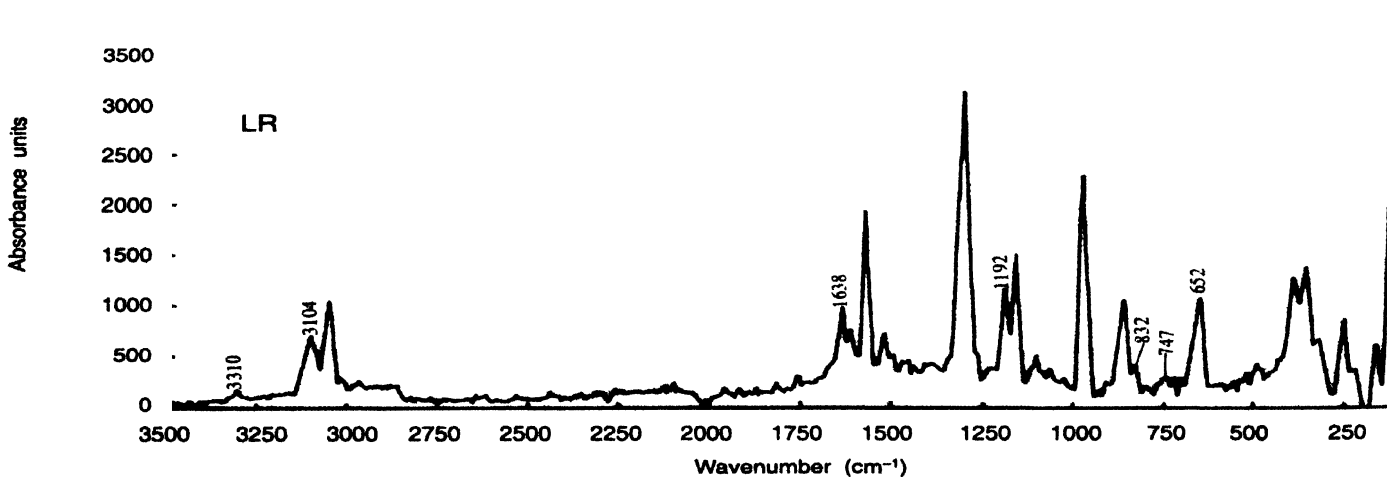


Figure 2. LR spectrum of Isoniazid.

is as shown in Figure 3. By applying the principles of group theory, the IR and Raman activity of the vibrational modes and the number of vibrations belonging to each symmetry species have been calculated. From the structural point of view, isoniazid molecule belonging to  $C_s$  point group symmetry. The 45 fundamental modes of vibrations of isoniazid are distributed to two symmetry species as

*Symmetry coordinates :*

Using the internal coordinates, a systematic set of symmetry coordinates were constructed and are given below :

*A' species :*

$$S_1 = 1/2 [\Delta r_1 + \Delta r_2 + \Delta r_3 + \Delta r_4],$$

Table 1. Vibrational assignment, force constant and PED values of isoniazid.

Symmetry coordinate	Frequency (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) FTIR	LR	Assignment	Symmetrised force constant (× 10 <sup>2</sup> N/m)	PED%
<i>A'</i> species :					
$\nu_1$	1412 (s)		C ≡ C ring sym. stretching	9.7062	88
$\nu_2$	1602 (ms)		C=N ring sym. stretching	13.3960	74
$\nu_3$	2860 (m)		C-H sym. stretching	4.9634	99
$\nu_4$	1061 (m)		C-C sym. stretching	5.7367	98
$\nu_5$	1667 (vs)		C=O sym. stretching	11.3970	75
$\nu_6$	1334 (s)		C-N stretching	5.0624	70
$\nu_7$	3304 (m)	3310 (vw)	N-H sym. stretching	6.0669	99
$\nu_8$	1142 (vs)		N-N stretching in NH <sub>2</sub> group	6.1127	56
$\nu_9$	3088 (m)		N-H sym. stretching in NH <sub>2</sub> group	5.9481	99
$\nu_{10}$	503 (vw)		C-C-C ring sym. bending	0.5445	45
$\nu_{11}$	924 (w)		C-C-N ring sym. bending	0.3722	40
$\nu_{12}$	845 (ms)	832 (vw)	C-C-H ring sym. bending	0.4061	37
$\nu_{13}$	747 (w)	747 (vw)	C-C-C bending	0.5583	30
$\nu_{14}$	675 (s)		C-C=O bending	0.7960	28
$\nu_{15}$	1492 (m)		H-N-N bending	0.2966	22
<i>A''</i> species :					
$\nu_{16}$	1472 (m)		C ≡ C ring asym. stretching	9.7611	98
$\nu_{17}$	1634 (s)		C ≡ C ring asym. stretching	9.8103	99
$\nu_{18}$	1667 (vs)		C=N ring asym. stretching	13.4105	96
$\nu_{19}$	2970 (m)		C-H ring asym. stretching	5.0212	99
$\nu_{20}$	3047 (ms)		C-H ring asym. stretching	5.0416	98
$\nu_{21}$	3112 (m)	3104 (w)	N-H asym. stretching in NH <sub>2</sub> group	6.0102	98
$\nu_{22}$	659 (s)	652 (m)	C-C-C ring asym. bending	0.5500	42
$\nu_{23}$	1200 (w)	1192 (m)	C-C-H ring asym. bending	0.4105	55
$\nu_{24}$	1221 (ms)		C-C-H ring asym. bending	0.4214	63
$\nu_{25}$	1634 (s)	1638 (w)	H-N-N asym. bending	0.3053	20

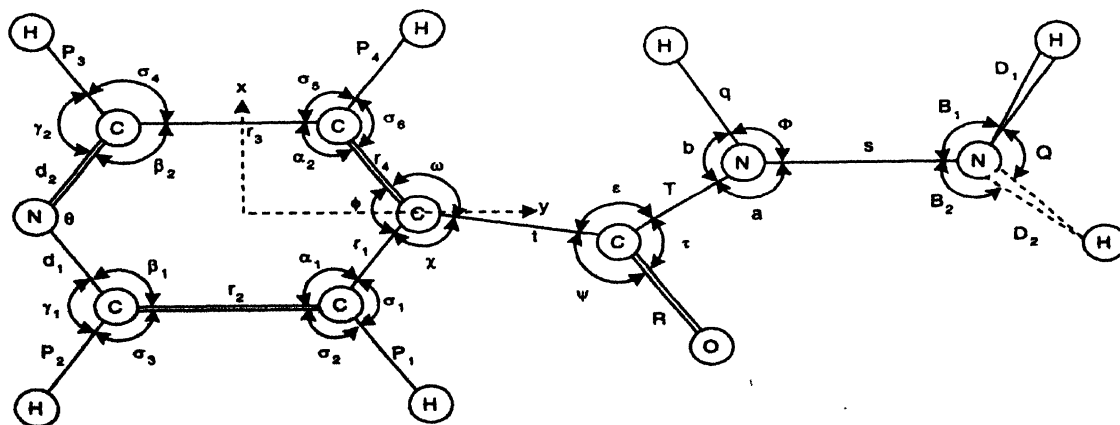


Figure 3. Structure, nomenclature of parameters and the orientation of the principal axes of isoniazid.

$$\begin{aligned}
S_2 &= 1/\sqrt{2} [\Delta d_1 + \Delta d_2], \\
S_3 &= 1/2[\Delta P_1 + \Delta P_2 + \Delta P_3 + \Delta P_4], \\
S_4 &= \Delta r, \\
S_5 &= \Delta R, \\
S_6 &= \Delta T, \\
S_7 &= \Delta q, \\
S_8 &= \Delta s, \\
S_9 &= 1/\sqrt{2}[\Delta D_1 + \Delta D_2], \\
S_{10} &= 1/\sqrt{2}[\Delta \alpha_1 + \Delta \alpha_2], \\
S_{11} &= 1/\sqrt{2}[\Delta \beta_1 + \Delta \beta_2], \\
S_{12} &= 1/\sqrt{6}[\Delta \sigma_1 + \Delta \sigma_2 + \Delta \sigma_3 + \Delta \sigma_4 + \Delta \sigma_5 + \Delta \sigma_6], \\
S_{13} &= \Delta \omega, \\
S_{14} &= \Delta \psi, \\
S_{15} &= \Delta \phi.
\end{aligned}$$

$A \sim$  species :

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{16} &= 1/2[\Delta r_1 - \Delta r_2 - \Delta r_3 + \Delta r_4], \\
S_{17} &= 1/2[\Delta r_1 - \Delta r_2 + \Delta r_3 + \Delta r_4], \\
S_{18} &= 1/\sqrt{2}[\Delta d_1 - \Delta d_2], \\
S_{19} &= 1/2[\Delta P_1 - \Delta P_2 - \Delta P_3 + \Delta P_4], \\
S_{20} &= 1/2 [\Delta P_1 - \Delta P_2 + \Delta P_3 - \Delta P_4], \\
S_{21} &= 1/\sqrt{2} [\Delta D_1 - \Delta D_2], \\
S_{22} &= 1/\sqrt{2} [\Delta \alpha_1 - \Delta \alpha_2], \\
S_{23} &= 1/\sqrt{6} [\Delta \sigma_1 - \Delta \sigma_2 + \Delta \sigma_3 - \Delta \sigma_4 + \Delta \sigma_5 - \Delta \sigma_6], \\
S_{24} &= 1/\sqrt{12} [\Delta \sigma_1 - 2\Delta \sigma_2 + \Delta \sigma_3 + \Delta \sigma_4 \\
&\quad - 2\Delta \sigma_5 + \Delta \sigma_6], \\
S_{25} &= 1/\sqrt{2}[\Delta B_1 - \Delta B_2].
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta$ 's represent the corresponding change in bond distances and bond angles. The structural data for this title compound were taken from Sutton table [6].

#### 4. Normal coordinate analysis

A normal coordinate analysis for isoniazid has been carried out using the vibrational frequencies observed in FTIR and Laser Raman spectra. The evaluation of force constants is made using general valence force field by applying Wilson's F-G matrix method. The initial set of force constants were taken from the related molecules. In the present work, only the off diagonal force constants have been calculated. The force constants obtained in the present investigation for  $f_{C-H}$ ,  $f_{N-H}$ ,  $f_{C-C}$ ,  $f_{C=C}$ ,  $f_{C=O}$ ,  $f_{C=N}$  are in good agreement with the literature values. The potential energy associated with the normal coordinates of the molecules has been calculated using the relation

$PED = F_{ij}L_{ij}^2/\lambda_j$ . The calculated force constants and the percentage of potential energy distribution (PED) for fundamental vibrations are presented in Table 1.

The hetero aromatic structure shows the presence of C-H stretching vibrations in the region 3100–3000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , which is the characteristic region for ready identification of this structure. Hence, the FTIR bands observed at 2860  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_3$ ), 2970  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{19}$ ) and 3047  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{20}$ ) are assigned to C-H stretching vibrations. The force constants for C-H vibrations are found to be  $4.9634 \times 10^2$  N/m for symmetric stretching vibration and  $5.0212 \times 10^2$  N/m and  $5.0416 \times 10^2$  N/m for asymmetric vibration respectively. The calculated PED values are about 99%, 99% and 98% for these vibrations respectively.

The C-C stretching vibrations show absorptions [7] in the region 1260–700  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Accordingly the band observed at 1061  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  has been assigned to C-C stretching. The force constant for this vibration is found to be  $5.7367 \times 10^2$  N/m and the calculated PED is about 98%. The strong bands due to C=O stretching occur in the region 1870–1540  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Absorption in the region particularly characteristic for substituted benzene compounds and usually indicates the number of ring substituents. Hence, a strong band observed at 1667  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_5$ ) in FTIR is assigned to C=O stretching mode. The calculated force constant and PED for this vibration is determined to be  $11.3970 \times 10^2$  N/m and 75% respectively.

The ring C $\equiv$ C and C=N stretching vibrations are observed in the regions 1615–1575  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and 1520–1465  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Thiazoles, iminocarbonates show the C=N stretching vibrations in the 1689–1471  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  region [8]. The intensity of the C=N stretch is variable, it is usually more intense than the C $\equiv$ C stretch. Accordingly, bands observed at 1412  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_1$ ), 1472  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_6$ ), and 1634  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{17}$ ) in FTIR are assigned to C $\equiv$ C vibrations and 1602  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_2$ ) and 1667  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{18}$ ) in FTIR are assigned to C=N vibrations, respectively. The force constants for C $\equiv$ C and C=N bonds are found to be in the characteristic range and they contribute the maximum to PED.

The identification of the C-N stretching frequency in the side chain is a rather difficult task since there are problems for identifying from other vibrations. Panday *et al* [9] assigned C-N stretching band at 1368  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in benzemides. Hence, the FTIR band observed at 1334  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_6$ ) is assigned C-N stretching mode. The value of force constant is found to be  $5.06240 \times 10^2$  N/m and the PED for this mode is about 70%.

The molecule under consideration possesses only one  $\text{NH}_2$  group and hence one expects one symmetric and one asymmetric N–H stretching vibrations. In all the primary aromatic amines, the N–H stretching frequency occurs [10] in the region  $3300\text{--}3500\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Hence, the band observed at  $3088\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_6$ ) is assigned to N–H symmetric vibration and  $3112\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{21}$ ) is assigned to N–H asymmetric vibration. The force constant is found to be about  $6.0 \times 10^2\text{ N/m}$  for these vibrations and they contribute the maximum to PED.

Primary amides and secondary amides shows a band or bands at  $1650\text{--}1515\text{ cm}^{-1}$  region [11] primarily due to  $\text{NH}_2$  or NH bending. These bending vibrations are observed in characteristic range. The absorption at  $1142\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_8$ ) in FTIR are assigned to N–N stretching in  $\text{NH}_2$  group [1].

The C–H deformation frequencies in benzene derivatives are expected to arise from  $1298\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1128\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1170\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $1035\text{ cm}^{-1}$  modes (in plane hydrogen bending) and  $1016\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $849\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $671\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $985\text{ cm}^{-1}$  modes (out-of-plane hydrogen bending) of benzene. In the present investigation, frequencies at  $1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{23}$ ) and  $1221\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{24}$ ) have been assigned to C–H in-plane bending and  $845\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{12}$ ) assigning to C–H out of plane bending. The strong band at  $659\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{22}$ ) weak band at  $503\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{10}$ ) in FTIR are assigned to C–C–C bending vibrations and they are in good agreement with the literature value [11]. The normal coordinate analysis helps in assigned the bands observed at  $924\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{11}$ ) to C–C–N bending vibrations. The band observed at  $675\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{14}$ ) is assigned to C–C=O bending mode. The bands observed at  $1492\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{15}$ ) and  $1634\text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $\nu_{25}$ ) are assigned to H–N–N bending vibrations.

## 5. Conclusion

A normal coordinate analysis has been carried out, based on the measurements taken from the FTIR and laser

Raman spectra. Thus, the evaluated force constants and their agreement with the earlier works [1,3] for related compounds confirm the validity of the frequency assignment. The calculated PED is used to check whether the chosen set of assignments contribute maximum to the potential energy associated with normal coordinate of the molecules.

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