



Symmetry & Bonding

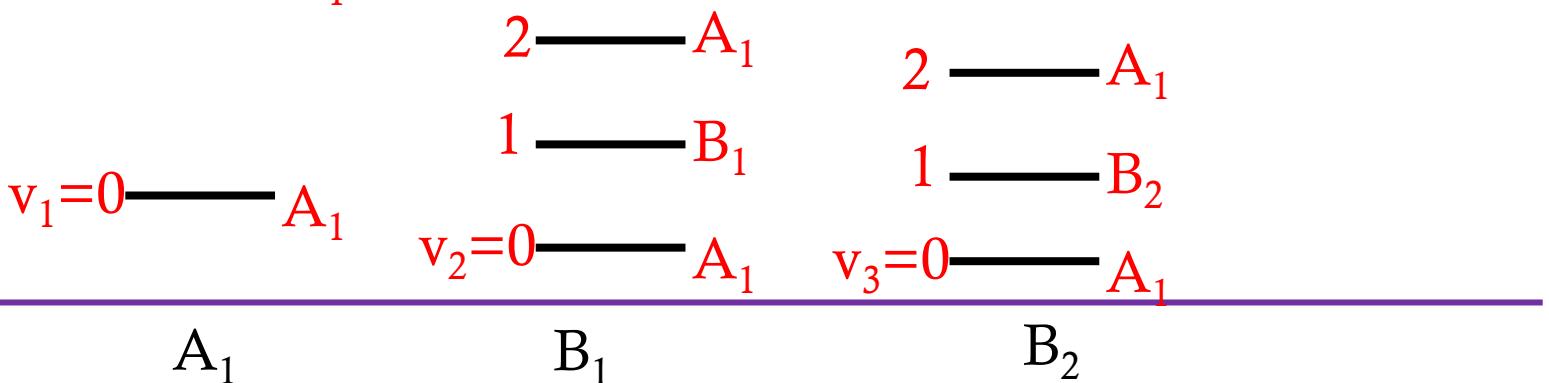
Answers to the Questions 34-39



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- a) Draw a diagram, roughly to scale, showing the energy of the ground, first and second excited states for each normal mode (i.e. the states with $v = 0, 1, 2$). Label each state with the irreducible representation to which it belongs.



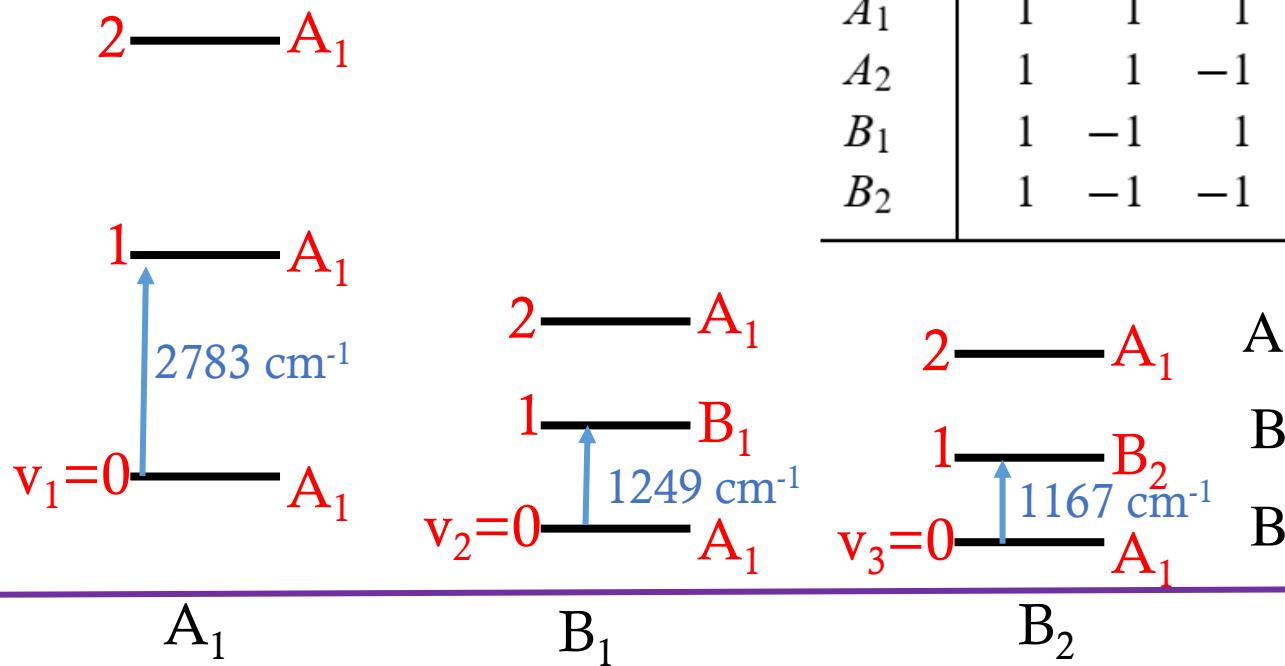


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- b) By computing the appropriate triple direct products, determine whether or not the $\nu = 0 \rightarrow 1$ transition is allowed in the infra-red for each normal mode. State the frequency of any allowed transitions, and mark the transitions on your diagram.

C_{2v}	E	C_2^z	σ^{xz}	σ^{yz}	
A_1	1	1	1	1	$z \quad x^2; y^2; z^2$
A_2	1	1	-1	-1	$R_z \quad xy$
B_1	1	-1	1	-1	$x \quad R_y \quad xz$
B_2	1	-1	-1	1	$y \quad R_x \quad yz$



$A_1 \nu_1 = 0 \rightarrow 1: A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes A_1 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = A_1$, allowed

$B_1 \nu_2 = 0 \rightarrow 1: A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes B_1 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = B_1$, allowed

$B_2 \nu_3 = 0 \rightarrow 1: A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes B_2 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = A_2$, allowed

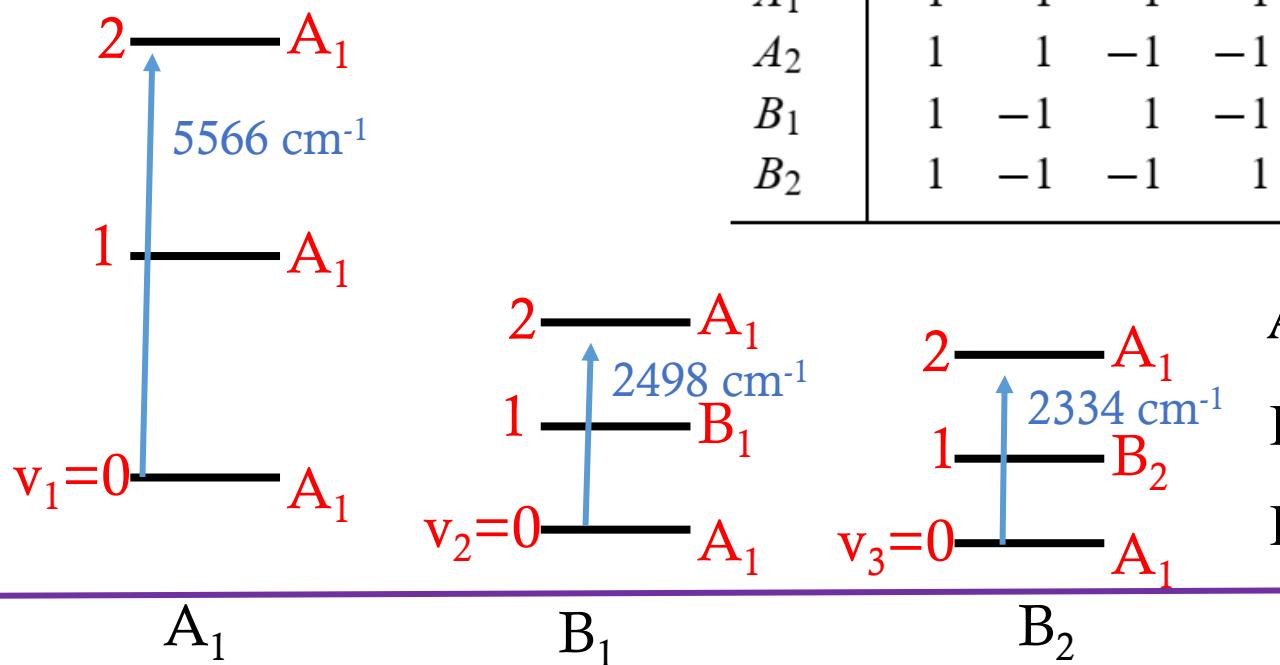


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- c) For each normal mode, determine whether or not the $\nu = 0 \rightarrow 2$ transition (i.e. the first overtone) is symmetry allowed in the infra-red. Compute the frequency of any allowed transitions, and mark the transitions on your diagram.

C_{2v}	E	C_2^z	σ^{xz}	σ^{yz}	
A_1	1	1	1	1	z $x^2; y^2; z^2$
A_2	1	1	-1	-1	R_z xy
B_1	1	-1	1	-1	x R_y xz
B_2	1	-1	-1	1	y R_x yz



$A_1 \nu_1 = 0 \rightarrow 2: A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes A_1 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = A_1$, allowed!
 $B_1 \nu_2 = 0 \rightarrow 2: A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes A_1 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = A_1$, allowed
 $B_2 \nu_3 = 0 \rightarrow 2: A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes A_1 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = A_1$, allowed



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- d) Determine whether or not the following combination lines are symmetry allowed in the infra-red: (i) mode 1 $\nu_1 = 0 \rightarrow 1$ together with mode 2 $\nu_2 = 0 \rightarrow 1$; (ii) mode 1 $\nu_1 = 0 \rightarrow 1$ together with mode 3 $\nu_3 = 0 \rightarrow 1$; (iii) mode 2 $\nu_2 = 0 \rightarrow 1$ together with mode 3 $\nu_3 = 0 \rightarrow 1$. Compute the frequency of any allowed transitions.

C_{2v}	E	C_2^z	σ^{xz}	σ^{yz}	
A_1	1	1	1	1	z
A_2	1	1	-1	-1	R_z
B_1	1	-1	1	-1	x
B_2	1	-1	-1	1	R_y
					$x^2; y^2; z^2$
					xy
					xz
					yz

2 ————— A_1
1 ————— A_1
2 ————— A_1
1 ————— B_1
2 ————— A_1
1 ————— B_2
 $v_1=0$ ————— A_1
 $v_2=0$ ————— A_1
 $v_3=0$ ————— A_1

- i) $A_1 \otimes A_1 = A_1 \rightarrow A_1 \otimes B_1 = B_1$
 $A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes B_1 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = B_1$, allowed
 $\nu = \nu_1 + \nu_2 = 2783 + 1249 = 4032 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- ii) $A_1 \otimes A_1 = A_1 \rightarrow A_1 \otimes B_2 = B_2$
 $A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes B_2 = A_1$ if $\Gamma_\mu = B_2$, allowed
 $\nu = \nu_1 + \nu_3 = 2783 + 1167 = 3950 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- iii) $A_1 \otimes A_1 = A_1 \rightarrow B_1 \otimes B_2 = A_2$
 $A_1 \otimes \Gamma_\mu \otimes A_2 \neq A_1$ as $\Gamma_\mu \neq A_2$, not allowed

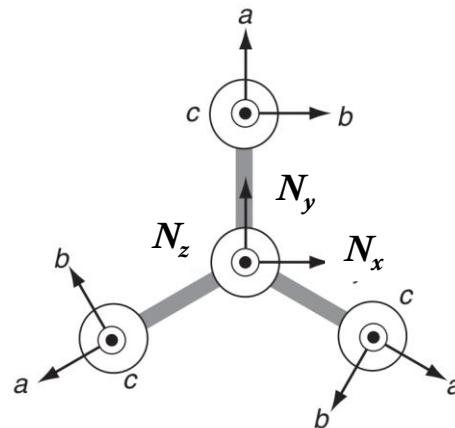


(a) Point group: ?

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- (b) Determine the symmetries of the normal modes. (You may find it convenient to use a set of displacement vectors analogous to those used in Ex. 33 for BH_3 in which the *a* set of vectors are along the line of the N–H bonds.)
- (c) Considering only the fundamental transition of each normal mode, draw up a table showing whether or not each transition is allowed in the infra-red and/or Raman.
- (d) How many features would you expect to see in the infra-red spectrum, and how many in the vibrational Raman spectrum? How many coincidences are there i.e. how many of these features occur at the same frequency in the infra-red and Raman spectra?
- (e) Determine the symmetry of those normal modes involving just N–H stretches, sketch these modes and state whether or not their fundamentals will be active in the infra-red or Raman.

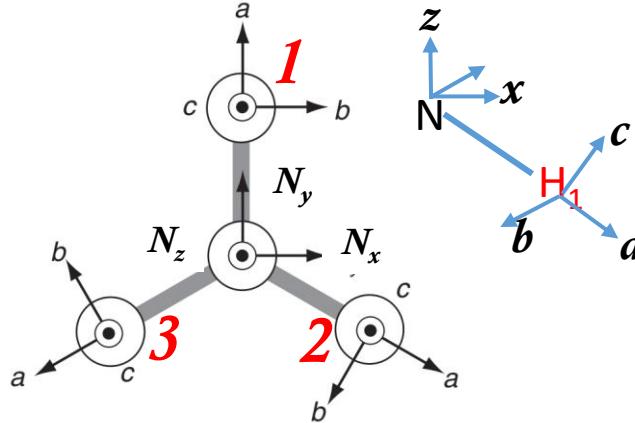




NH₃

Triangular pyramid a) C_{3v}

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b) N_z~A₁ (N_x, N_y)~E

C _{3v}	E	2C ₃	3σ _v	Basis components
A ₁	1	1	1	z
A ₂	1	1	-1	R _z
E	2	-1	0	(x,y) (R _x ,R _y) (x ² -y ² ,xy)(yz,xz)
(a ₁ , a ₂ , a ₃)	3	0	1	A ₁ ⊕ E
(b ₁ , b ₂ , b ₃)	3	0	-1	A ₂ ⊕ E
(c ₁ , c ₂ , c ₃)	3	0	1	A ₁ ⊕ E

Total (3N=12)

3A₁ ⊕ A₂ ⊕ 4E

-translations (x,y,z)

A₁ ⊕ E

-rotations (R_x,R_y,R_z)

A₂ ⊕ E

Vibrations (3N-6)

2A₁ ⊕ 2E

c) The fundamental transition for each NM.

i	Γ _{nm} ⁱ	μ̂	α̂	IR	Raman
1,2	A ₁	z;	z ²	active	active
3,4	E	(x, y); (yz, xz)		active	active

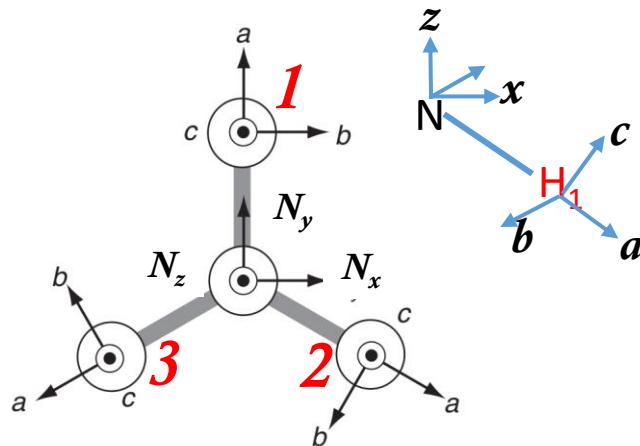
- **Four** features in both IR and Raman spectra.
- **Four** coincidences



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A_1	1	1	1	z
A_2	1	1	-1	R_z
E	2	-1	0	(x,y) (R_x, R_y) $(x^2-y^2, xy)(yz, xz)$
(a_1, a_2, a_3)	3	0	1	$A_1 \oplus E$
(r_1, r_2, r_3)				$A_1 \oplus E$

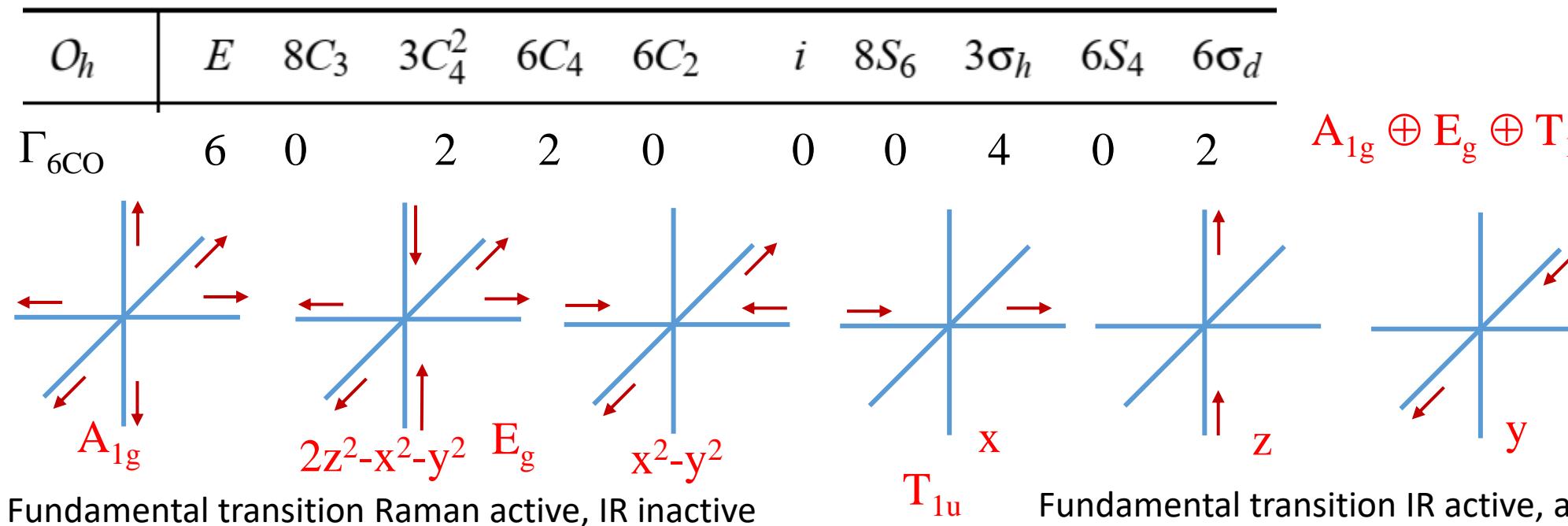
A_1 $y\text{-like}$ E $x\text{-like}$

e) 3 N-H stretches (r_1, r_2, r_3): similar to the basis of (a_1, a_2, a_3)

all IR and Raman active!

The organometallic species $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$ has octahedral coordination about the metal atom; for each ligand the Cr–C–O fragment is linear. The C–O stretches have a much higher frequency than any of the other bonds in this molecule and so, to a good approximation, can be considered separately.

- State the point group of this molecule.
- Determine the symmetries of the normal modes involving C–O stretches; sketch these modes.
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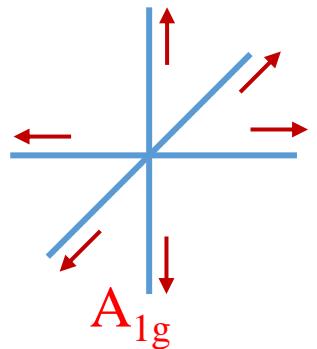
Raman: 2个特征峰

IR: 1个特征峰

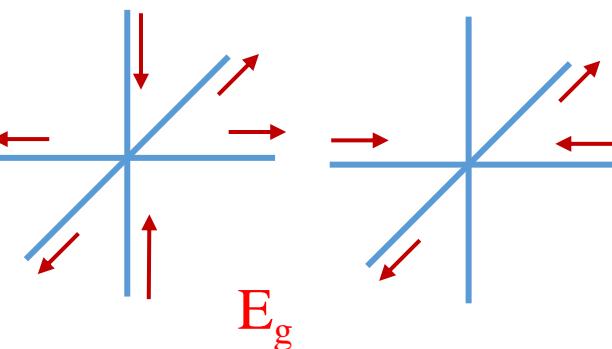
无共同特征峰

- e) The experimental infra-red spectrum of this molecule shows a single strong absorbtion in the carbonyl region. Is this consistent with the assumed geometry?

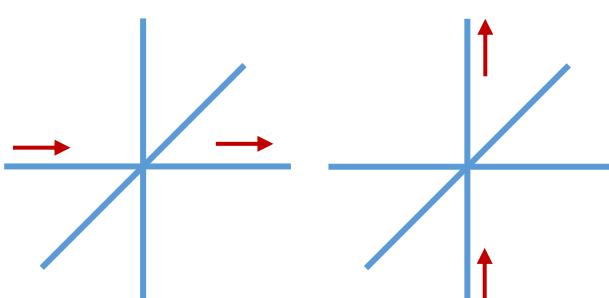
Yes, consistent!



Fundamental transition Raman active, IR inactive

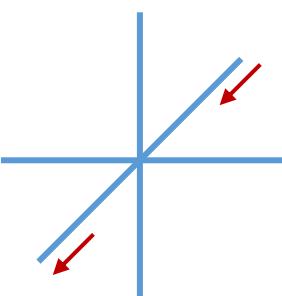


E_g



T_{1u}

Fundamental transition IR active, raman inactive

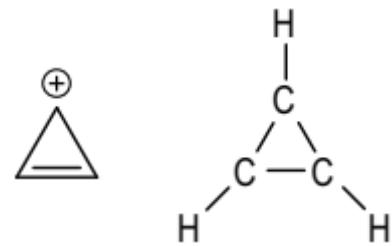




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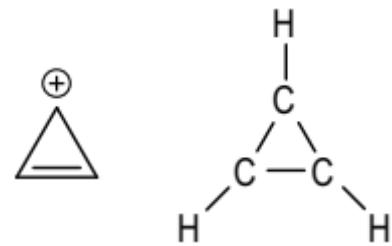
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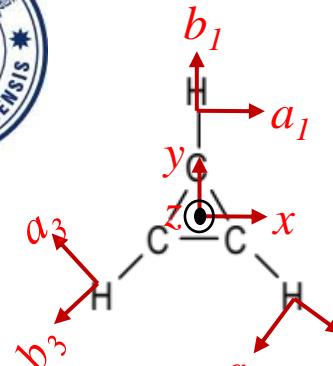
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(a) $[C_3H_3]^+$ 属于 D_{3h} 点群.

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A'_1	1	1	1	1	1	1		$x^2 + y^2; z^2$
A'_2	1	1	-1	1	1	-1		R_z
E'	2	-1	0	2	-1	0	(x,y)	$(x^2 - y^2, 2xy)$
A''_1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1		z
A''_2	1	1	-1	-1	-1	1		(R_x, R_y)
E''	2	-1	0	-2	1	0		(xz, yz)

(b) 主轴为z轴, 三个H原子的局域坐标系如上图所示, 类似地设置三个C原子的局域坐标; 因此各原子核位移矢量可如下分类, 所得表示的约化结果亦列表如下

D_{3h}	E	$2C_3$	$3C_2$	σ_h	$2S_3$	$3\sigma_v$		
$3 z_{,H}$	3	0	-1	-3	0	1	$E'' \oplus A''_2$	三个C原子的位移矢量为
$3 a_{,H}$	3	0	-1	3	0	-1	$E' \oplus A'_2$	基得到的群表示亦雷同!
$3 b_{,H}$	3	0	1	3	0	1	$E' \oplus A'_1$	
则分子总自由度($3N=18$)							(c) 基频跃迁活性	IR(4) Raman (6)
平动(x,y,z)							$2A'_1$	N.A. A. 不存在活
转动(R_x, R_y, R_z)							A'_2	N.A. N.A. 性互斥!
振动 ($3N-6=12$)							$3E'$	A. A. (d) 3 coin.
							A''_2	A. N.A.
							E''	N.A. A.

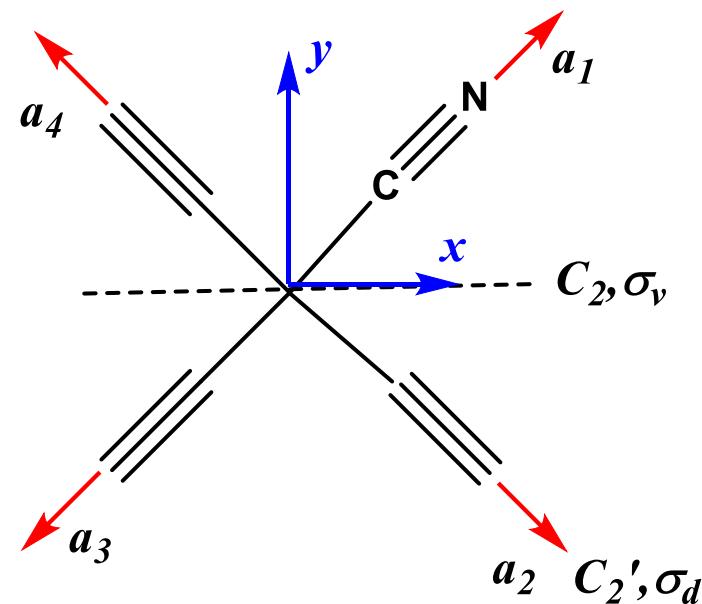


Basis: 4 C-N bond stretches
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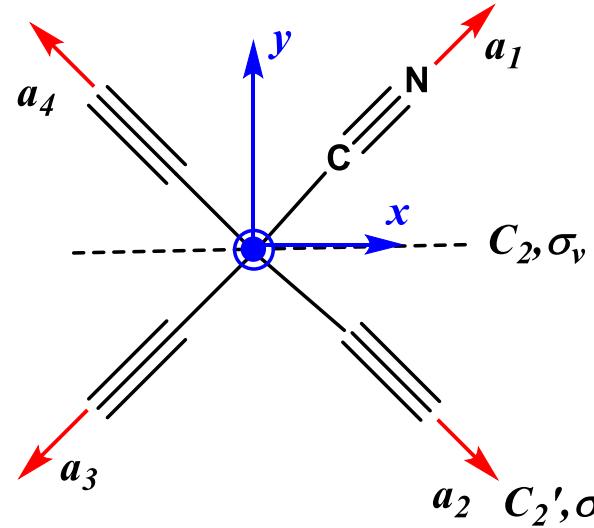
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- (b) Determine the symmetries of the normal modes involving C–N stretches; sketch these modes.
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A_{1g}	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	$x^2 + y^2; z^2$
A_{2g}	1	1	1	-1	-1	1	1	1	-1	-1	R_z
B_{1g}	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	$x^2 - y^2$
B_{2g}	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	1	xy
E_g	2	0	-2	0	0	2	0	-2	0	0	(R_x, R_y) (xz, yz)
A_{1u}	1	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
A_{2u}	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	z
B_{1u}	1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	
B_{2u}	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	
E_u	2	0	-2	0	0	-2	0	2	0	0	(x, y)



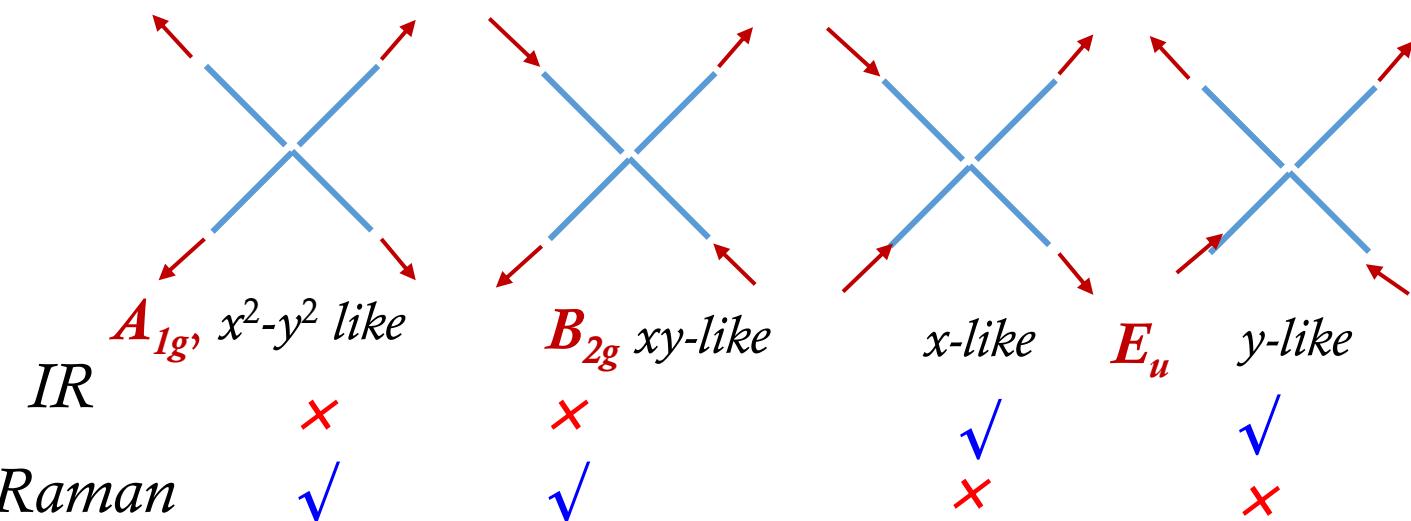
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A_{2g}	1	1	1	-1	-1	1	1	1	-1	-1	R_z
B_{1g}	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	$x^2 - y^2$
B_{2g}	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	1	xy
E_g	2	0	-2	0	0	2	0	-2	0	0	(R_x, R_y) (xz, yz)
A_{1u}	1	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
A_{2u}	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	1	z
B_{1u}	1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	
B_{2u}	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	
E_u	2	0	-2	0	0	-2	0	2	0	0	(x, y)

$$\Gamma(4C-N) \quad 4 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 2 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 4 \quad 0 \quad 2 \quad = A_{1g} \oplus B_{2g} \oplus E_u$$



Mutual exclusion applies!

Two features in Raman scattering

One feature in IR

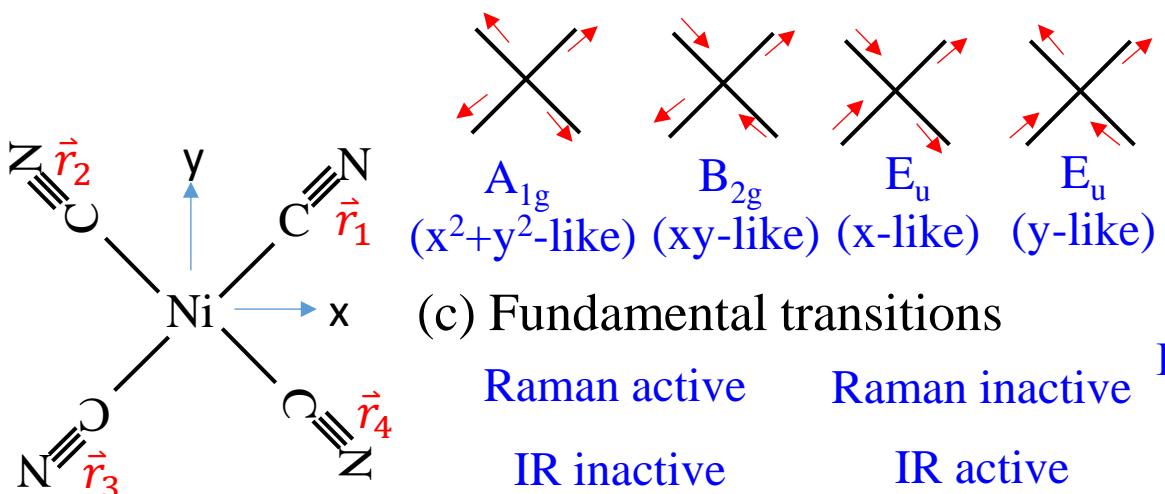
No coincidence!



Ex.39. The complex $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$ has square-planar coordination about the metal atom; for each ligand the Ni–C–N fragment is linear. The C–N stretches have a much higher frequency than any of the other bonds in this molecule and so, to a good approximation, can be considered separately.

- State the point group of this molecule.
- Determine the symmetries of the normal modes involving C–N stretches; sketch these modes.
- Considering only the fundamental transition of each normal mode, draw up a table showing whether or not each transition is allowed in the infra-red and/or Raman. Does the rule of mutual exclusion apply?
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Ans. : (a) D_{4h} . (b) use the 4 r_{CN} bond stretch as basis!



D_{4h}	E	$2C_4$	C_4^2	$2C_2$	$2C'_2$	i	$2S_4$	σ_h	$2\sigma_v$	$2\sigma_d$	
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B_{1g}	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	$x^2 - y^2$
B_{2g}	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	1	-1	1	xy
E_g	2	0	-2	0	0	2	0	-2	0	0	(R_x, R_y)
A_{1u}	1	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	(xz, yz)
A_{2u}	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	z
B_{1u}	1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	
B_{2u}	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	
E_u	2	0	-2	0	0	-2	0	2	0	0	(x, y)

$$\Gamma(4x_{\text{CN}}) = \mathbf{A}_{1g} \oplus \mathbf{B}_{2g} \oplus \mathbf{E}_u$$

(d) 1 feature in IR, 2 features in Raman, no coincidence.