

# Investigations on vibrational and optical properties of 4-chloro 2-nitroaniline for Nonlinear Optical Applications

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## ABSTRACT

Quantum mechanical calculations of 4-chloro 2-nitroaniline are carried out by using DFT /B3LYP/6-31+ G (d,p) method. Both the experimental and theoretical vibrational spectrum confirms the presence of functional groups. Electric dipole moment, polarizability and the first order hyperpolarizability values have been computed theoretically. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) chemical shift of the molecules were calculated by the gauge independent atomic orbital (GIAO) method and compared with experimental results. The calculated HOMO and LUMO energies shows that charge transfer occurs within the molecule. The harmonic vibrational frequencies calculated have been compared with experimental FTIR and FT Raman spectra. The observed and the calculated frequencies are found to be in good agreement.

**KEY WORDS:** Vibration, optical, quantum.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Vibrational assignments based on FT-IR in the vapour, solution, liquid phases and the Raman spectra in the liquid state were reported for aniline. The main objective of this paper is to present, more accurate molecular geometry and molecular vibrational assignment of the title molecule. For that purpose quantum chemical computations were carried out on 4Cl2NA using DFT with basis set 6-31G (d,p). The calculated HOMO (Highest occupied molecular orbitals)–LUMO (Lowest unoccupied molecular orbitals) energies show that charge transfer occurs within the title molecule. Density Functional Theory (DFT) calculations have been performed to support our wave number assignments. The theoretically predicted IR and Raman intensities are well in agreement with that of experimental spectral data.

**1.1. Computational Details:** All calculations were performed using GAUSSIAN program package and the vibrational modes were assigned by means of visual inspection using GAUSSVIEW program and also from the results of normal coordinate calculations. The Cartesian representation of the theoretical force constants have been computed at optimized geometry by assuming C1 point group symmetry, scaling of the force fields were performed by the scaled quantum mechanical procedure. The theoretical results have enabled us to make the detailed assignments of the experimental IR and Raman spectra of the title molecule.

The full molecular geometry optimizations in the ground state was studied by the DFT with the three-parameter hybrid functional (B3) for the exchange part and the Lee–Yang–Parr (LYP) correlation function, using 6-31+G(d, p) basis set. The Cartesian representation of the theoretical force constants are computed at optimized geometry by assuming C1 point group symmetry. An empirical uniform scaling factor of 0.956 was used to offset the systematic errors caused by basis set incompleteness and to neglect the electron correlation and vibrational anharmonicity. The calculated IR and Raman spectra have been found to match well with the experimental spectra. Total energy distribution (TED) calculations, which show the relative contributions of the internal coordinates to each normal vibrational mode of the molecule, and thus enable us to illustrate the character of each mode were carried out by SQM method, using the output files created at the end of the frequency calculations.

**1.2. Geometrical structures:** The optimized structure of the 4Cl2NA compound is shown in Fig.1. The geometry of the molecules under investigation is considered to possess C1 point group symmetry. The 42 fundamental modes of vibrations of each compound are distributed into the irreducible representation under C1 symmetry as  $\Gamma_{3N-6}^{\text{vib}} = 42$ . All vibrations are active in both IR and Raman.

**1.3. Vibrational analysis:** The present molecule 4Cl2NA consists of 16 atoms, so it has 42 normal vibrational modes. On the basis of C1 symmetry the 42 fundamental vibrations of the title molecule can be distributed as 29A+13A. The vibrations of the A species are out-of-plane. All vibrations are active in both IR and Raman. Fig.2. represents the experimental and theoretical FT-IR spectra. The experimental and theoretical Raman spectra are shown in Fig.3. For comparative purposes, the calculated intensity and activity is plotted against the harmonic vibrational frequencies. The resulting vibrational frequencies for the optimized geometries and the proposed vibrational assignments as well as IR intensities and Raman scattering activities are given in Table 2. In the last column is given a detailed description of the normal modes based on the potential energy distribution (PED). The symmetry species of all the vibrations are written in the first column of the table. Modes are numbered from biggest to smallest frequency within each fundamental wave numbers.

**1.4. C-H Vibrations:** Aromatic compounds commonly shows the presence of C-H stretching vibrations in the region 3000–3100  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The bands due to C-H in-plane ring bending vibrations, interacting somewhat with C-C stretching vibrations, are observed as a number of medium–weak intensity sharp bands in the region 1300–1000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The C-H out-of-plane bending vibrations are strongly coupled vibration and occur in the region 900–667  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The 4Cl<sub>2</sub>NA molecule give rise to three C-H stretching, three C-H in-plane bending vibrations and three C-H out-of-plane bending vibrations. In this present work, the FTIR band at 3098, 3075, 3043  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and Raman band at 3095, 3072, 3046  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are assigned to C-H stretching vibrations. The peaks at 1306, 1225, 1128 and 1043  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in FTIR and 1305, 1221 and 1045  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in FT-Raman are assigned to C-H in-plane bending vibrations. The wavenumber of the vibrational bands are shifted to higher values due to steric effect of nitro group. In this title compound, the peaks at 901, 869, and 785  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in FTIR and 898 and 871  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in FT-Raman spectrum confirms the C-H out-of-plane bending vibrations

**1.5. C-C vibrations:** The carbon–carbon stretching modes of the phenyl group are expected in the range from 1650 to 1200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . In the present work, the wavenumbers observed in the FTIR spectrum at 1592, 1525, 1490, 1372, 1326  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and in FT-Raman spectrum at 1595, 1527, 1493, 1375, 1323  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  have been assigned to C-C stretching vibrations. In the present study, the calculated vibrational wavenumbers are in good agreement with the experimental values. The C-C-C in-plane bending vibrations were observed at 872,838,790,518  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for FTIR spectrum and in FT-Raman spectrum at 892,845,772,550  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The C-C-C out-of-plane bending vibrations are attributed to the low wavenumbers computed at 567,342,209,147  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  for FTIR spectrum and the same was absent in FT-Raman spectrum.

**1.6. C-Cl vibrations:** The vibrations belonging to the bond between the ring and halogen atoms are worth for the discussion here since the mixing of vibrations are possible due to the lowering of the molecular symmetry and the presence of heavy atoms on the periphery of molecule. Generally C-Cl absorption was obtained in the region 850–550  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Therefore the peaks identified at 707  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FTIR spectrum and 710  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FT-Raman spectrum had been assigned to C-Cl stretching mode vibrations of 4Cl<sub>2</sub>NA respectively. Most of the aromatic chloro compounds have the strong to medium intensity in the region 385–265  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  due to C-Cl in-plane bending vibration. The IR band identified at 352  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are assigned to the C-Cl in plane bending vibration, 180  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are assigned to the C-Cl out-of- plane deformation vibration of the title compound.

**1.7. NO<sub>2</sub> Vibration:** Aromatic nitro compounds have strong absorptions due to asymmetric and symmetric stretching vibrations of the nitro group at 1570–1485 and 1370–1320  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . This could be due to the electron withdrawing substituent adjacent to the nitro group which tend to increase the frequency of asymmetric vibration and decrease that of the symmetric vibration. In the present work, the bands observed at 1525  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FTIR and 1527  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FT-Raman spectrum are assigned to asymmetric stretching vibrations. The title molecule shows band at 1372  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FTIR and 1375  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FT-Raman spectrum and are assigned to symmetric stretching vibration. The deformation vibrations of NO<sub>2</sub> group (rocking, wagging and twisting) contribute to several normal modes in the low frequency region. These bands are also found in the wavenumber region around the characteristic position 862  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in FTIR and 860  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in FT-Raman spectrum for 4Cl<sub>2</sub>NA. The NO<sub>2</sub> torsion vibration is observed in the Raman spectrum at 60  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

**1.8. NH<sub>2</sub> Vibration:** In all the primary aromatic amines, the N-H stretching frequencies occur in the region 3300–3500  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The title molecule under investigation possesses one NH<sub>2</sub> group and hence we expect one symmetric and one asymmetric N-H stretching vibrations. . In the present molecule, the band which is observed at 3564  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FT-IR and 3560  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FT-Raman spectrum are assigned to asymmetric stretching vibration. In the present molecule, the band at 3564  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and 3560  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  which is assigned to asymmetric stretching vibration are shifted to higher values due to intermolecular hydrogen bonding and inductive effect. Symmetric stretching vibration of NH<sub>2</sub> group band is observed at 3420  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the FT-IR and counter part of FT-Raman spectrum shows at 3417  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The NH<sub>2</sub> group also has scissoring ( $\delta$  NH<sub>2</sub>) rocking ( $\rho$ NH<sub>2</sub>), wagging ( $\omega$ NH<sub>2</sub>) and torsion ( $\tau$ NH<sub>2</sub>) modes. The scissoring mode of the NH<sub>2</sub> group appears in the region 1615–1650  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in benzene derivatives with NH<sub>2</sub> substituents. The computed NH<sub>2</sub> scissoring vibration shows bands with FT-IR at 1546  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and FT-Raman at 1543  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . In the present molecule, the band at 1546  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and 1543  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  which is assigned to scissoring vibration are shifted to lower values due to intermolecular hydrogen bonding. The NH<sub>2</sub> rocking mode shows recorded FT-IR band at 987  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and FT-Raman at 983  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The NH<sub>2</sub> wagging mode shows recorded FT-IR at 389  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and FT-Raman at 385  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The NH<sub>2</sub> torsion vibration was observed in the FT-IR at 201  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and the same was absent in FT-Raman spectrum.

**1.9. NMR analysis:** DFT methods treat the electronic energy as a function of the electron density of all electrons simultaneously and thus include electron correlation effect. The <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>1</sup>H theoretical and experimental chemical shifts of the title molecule are tabulated in Table.1. In this study, molecular structure of the 4Cl<sub>2</sub>NA was optimized by using B3LYP method in conjunction with 6-31G\*. <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>1</sup>H chemical shift calculations of the title compounds have been made by using GIAO method and same basis set. The B3LYP method allows calculating the shielding constants with the proper accuracy, and the GIAO method is one of the most common approaches for calculating

nuclear magnetic shielding tensors. The experimental and calculated NMR spectra of 4Cl2NA are shown in Figs. 4-5.

The approximate chemical shift ranges of some  $^{13}\text{C}$  resonances i.e., C of aromatic ring have the  $\delta$  range 110–160 and type of carbon having double bond oxygen is in the  $\delta$  range 150–220. In our title compound, the nitrogen atom is in the para position. This nitrogen atom shows electronegative property. The oxygen atom of nitro group is electron withdrawing group, so deshielding occurs and chemical shift of C1 and C5 is high. The other carbon atoms of the benzene structure gives the chemical shift at 129.97, 123.96, 121.10 and 118.33 ppm.

The aromatic protons are having the chemical shift  $\delta$  (ppm) in the range 6–8.5 [13]. The signals at  $\delta=8.608$  ppm is due to aromatic protons. Here there is more deshielding and hence the chemical shift increases. The signals at 8.608, 8.454, 7.490 and 6.85 ppm are due to the presence of hydrogen atom in the aromatic ring. Here there is more deshielding due to electronegative oxygen atoms and hence the chemical shift increases. And the signal at 8.454 ppm and 4.712 ppm is due to proton of the amine group. As the hydrogen atom is surrounded by electronegative oxygen atoms, there will be more shielding around it and hence the chemical shift falls at up field with low ppm value. Since, greater the degree of hydrogen bonding of a proton, greater is the downfield shift.

**1.10. NLO analysis:** The values of the polarizability tensor components for a given system will depend on the choice of the Cartesian co-ordinate system used. The molecule for which  $\alpha_{xx} = \alpha_{yy} = \alpha_{zz}$  is said to be isotropic. The polarizability is isotropic or is the same in all directions for a molecule whose electron density is spherically symmetrical. If the molecules are perfectly isotropic (p) and (E) will have the same direction and is then a simple scalar quantity. If the molecule is anisotropic,  $\alpha_{xx} \neq \alpha_{yy} \neq \alpha_{zz}$  (p) will no longer have the same direction as (E). The intensity of Raman scattering may be proportional to the derived polarizability components. To express the scattering intensity in terms of the derived polarizability tensor, the quantities ( $\bar{\alpha}$ ) and the anisotropy invariant ( $\gamma$ ) are necessary. They are constant regardless of the orientation of the molecules. The quantity ( $\bar{\alpha}$ ) is the mean value of the three principle components of ( $\bar{\alpha}$ ) and ( $\gamma$ ) measures the anisotropy of the tensor. The polarizability, the first hyperpolarizability and the anisotropy polarizability invariant are computed with the numerical derivative of the dipole moment using B3LYP/6-31+G (d,p) are presented in Table 2. The definitions for the isotropic polarizability is

$$\bar{\alpha} = 1/3(\alpha_{xx} + \alpha_{yy} + \alpha_{zz})$$

Using the x, y and z components the magnitude of the total static dipole moment ( $\mu$ ), isotropic polarizability ( $\alpha_0$ ), first-order hyperpolarizability ( $\beta_{\text{total}}$ ) tensor, can be calculated by the following equations:

$$\mu^0 = (\mu_x^2 + \mu_y^2 + \mu_z^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\beta_{\text{tot}} = (\beta_x + \beta_y + \beta_z)^{1/2}$$

The complete equation for calculating the first-order hyperpolarizability from GAUSSIAN 09W output is given as follows:  $\beta_{\text{tot}} = [(\beta_{xxx} + \beta_{yyy} + \beta_{zzz})^2 + (\beta_{yyy} + \beta_{zzz} + \beta_{xxx})^2 + (\beta_{zzz} + \beta_{xxx} + \beta_{yyy})^2]^{1/2}$ .

The  $\beta$  components of GAUSSIAN 09 W output are reported in atomic units, the calculated values have to be converted into electrostatic units (1 a.u. =  $8.3693 \times 10^{-33}$  esu).

The polarizabilities and hyperpolarizabilities characterize the response of a system in an applied electric field. Theoretical calculation provides another method to investigate substantial characteristics of materials. The first order hyperpolarizability ( $\beta$ ) of the title molecule is calculated using B3LYP 6-31+G (d,p) basis set based on the finite field approach. Hyperpolarizability is a third rank tensor that can be described by a  $3 \times 3 \times 3$  matrix. The calculated first-order hyperpolarizability ( $\beta_{\text{tot}}$ ) value of 4Cl2NA is  $1.11064 \times 10^{-30}$  esu, which is nearly 6 times greater than that of urea ( $0.1947 \times 10^{-30}$  esu). The large  $\beta$  value calculated by B3LYP method reveal that the title molecule can be used as a good candidate for frequency conversion application. The theoretical calculation of  $\beta$  components is very useful as it clearly indicates the direction of charge delocalization. The large  $\beta$  value calculated by B3LYP method reveal that the title molecule can be used as a good candidate for frequency conversion application.

**1.11. HOMO-LUMO analysis:** Many organic molecules that contain conjugated  $\pi$  electrons are characterized as hyperpolarizabilities and were analysed by means of vibrational spectroscopy. In most of the cases, even in the absence of inversion symmetry, the strongest band in the Raman spectrum are weak in the IR spectrum and vice-versa. The  $\pi$  electron cloud moment from the donor to acceptor can make the molecule highly polarized through the single –double path when it changes from the ground state to the first excited state. The HOMO, LUMO and HOMO-LUMO energy gap of 4Cl2NA in DFT level in 6-31 G (d,p) basis set has been calculated. The HOMO–LUMO energy gap reveals that the energy gap reflects the chemical activity of the molecule.

HOMO energy =  $-0.23914$  a.u.

LUMO energy =  $-0.10698$  a.u.

HOMO–LUMO energy gap =  $-0.1321$  a.u.

Electronegativity ( $\chi$ )  $\mu = -\chi = \frac{-IP+EA}{2}$

Chemical hardness  $\eta = \frac{IP-EA}{2}$

Softness  $\zeta = 1/2 \eta$   
 Electrophilicity index  $\psi = \mu^2/2 \eta$

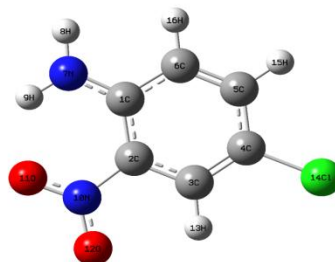
The calculated self-consistent field (SCF) energy of 4Cl2NA is -951.737351537 a.u. The values of electronegativity, hardness ( $\eta$ ), softness ( $\zeta$ ) and electrophilicity index ( $\psi$ ) that are obtained for title molecule as -0.34612, 0.13216, 3.783292 and 0.45323 respectively. The HOMO and LUMO diagram of 4Cl2NA are shown in Fig. 6-7. Moreover, lowering in the HOMO and LUMO energy gap explains the eventual charge transfer interactions that take place within the molecule.

**Table.1. Experimental and calculated  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Chemical shifts (ppm) of 4Cl2NA**

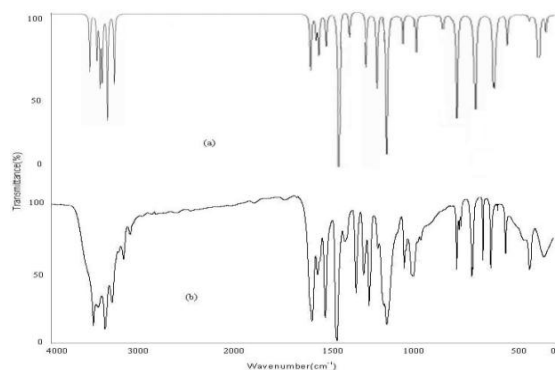
	Experimental	B3LYP/6-31G+ (d,p)
C <sub>1</sub>	145.03	130.15
C <sub>5</sub>	135.47	122.58
C <sub>2</sub>	129.97	119.58
C <sub>4</sub>	123.96	117.11
C <sub>3</sub>	121.10	115.02
C <sub>6</sub>	118.33	104.53
H <sub>13</sub>	7.891	8.608
H <sub>9</sub>	7.543	8.454
H <sub>15</sub>	7.384	7.490
H <sub>16</sub>	7.364	6.85
H <sub>8</sub>	7.041	4.712
H	7.020	-

**Table.2. Polarizability and hyperpolarizability values of 4C2NA**

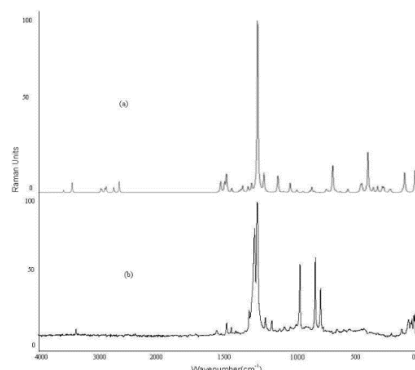
Parameters	B3LYP / 6-31G(d,p)
$\alpha_{xx}$	130.0733
$\alpha_{xy}$	-5.575286
$\alpha_{yy}$	153.196473
$\alpha_{xz}$	0.0339219
$\alpha_{yz}$	-0.0636108
$\alpha_{zz}$	56.150543
$\alpha_{tot}$	<b><math>1.67673 \times 10^{-23} \text{ e.s.u}</math></b>
$\beta_{xxx}$	-64.5112199
$\beta_{xyy}$	50.51130
$\beta_{yyy}$	233.229051
$\beta_{yyy}$	56.277709
$\beta_{xxz}$	0.0051631
$\beta_{xyz}$	-0.0629148
$\beta_{yyz}$	0.0759128
$\beta_{xzz}$	0.841528
$\beta_{yzz}$	-2.38644
$\beta_{zzz}$	-0.0031338
$\beta_{tot}$	<b><math>1.66653 \times 10^{-30} \text{ e.s.u}</math></b>



**Figure.1. Molecular Structure of 4Cl2NA**



**Fig.2. Observed and calculated FT-IR spectra of 4Cl2NA**



**Fig.3. Observed and calculated FT-Raman spectra of 4Cl2NA**



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