

# High-Resolution Synchrotron Terahertz Investigation of the Large-Amplitude Hydrogen Bond Librational Band of (HCN)<sub>2</sub>

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Table 1: Observed and Calculated Line Positions (Units of  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) with Deviations and the Corresponding Rovibrational Assignments for the Observed  $\nu_8^1$  Band of  $(\text{HCN})_2$ .

| Observed | Calculated | Obs.–Calc. | Assignment |
|----------|------------|------------|------------|
| 125.5700 | 125.5673   | 0.0027     | R(50)      |
| 125.4320 | 125.4318   | 0.0002     | R(49)      |
| 125.2960 | 125.2966   | -0.0006    | R(48)      |
| 125.1600 | 125.1617   | -0.0017    | R(47)      |
| 124.8920 | 124.8930   | -0.0010    | R(45)      |
| 124.7590 | 124.7592   | -0.0002    | R(44)      |
| 124.6240 | 124.6257   | -0.0017    | R(43)      |
| 124.4910 | 124.4926   | -0.0016    | R(42)      |
| 124.3600 | 124.3598   | 0.0002     | R(41)      |
| 124.2270 | 124.2274   | -0.0004    | R(40)      |
| 124.0950 | 124.0953   | -0.0003    | R(39)      |
| 123.9640 | 123.9636   | 0.0004     | R(38)      |
| 123.8323 | 123.8322   | 0.0001     | R(37)      |
| 123.7030 | 123.7012   | 0.0018     | R(36)      |
| 123.5710 | 123.5706   | 0.0004     | R(35)      |
| 123.4410 | 123.4403   | 0.0007     | R(34)      |
| 123.1810 | 123.1808   | 0.0002     | R(32)      |
| 123.0510 | 123.0516   | -0.0006    | R(31)      |
| 122.9250 | 122.9227   | 0.0023     | R(30)      |
| 122.7950 | 122.7942   | 0.0008     | R(29)      |
| 122.6650 | 122.6661   | -0.0011    | R(28)      |
| 122.5370 | 122.5383   | -0.0013    | R(27)      |
| 122.4110 | 122.4109   | 0.0001     | R(26)      |
| 122.2820 | 122.2839   | -0.0019    | R(25)      |
| 122.1570 | 122.1572   | -0.0002    | R(24)      |
| 122.0290 | 122.0309   | -0.0019    | R(23)      |
| 121.7760 | 121.7795   | -0.0035    | R(21)      |
| 121.6540 | 121.6543   | -0.0003    | R(20)      |
| 119.4805 | 119.4780   | 0.0025     | Q(40)      |
| 119.4620 | 119.4602   | 0.0018     | Q(39)      |
| 119.4430 | 119.4429   | 0.0001     | Q(38)      |
| 119.4255 | 119.4260   | -0.0005    | Q(37)      |
| 119.4075 | 119.4096   | -0.0021    | Q(36)      |
| 119.3920 | 119.3936   | -0.0016    | Q(35)      |
| 119.3766 | 119.3781   | -0.0015    | Q(34)      |
| 119.3620 | 119.3630   | -0.0010    | Q(33)      |
| 119.3478 | 119.3483   | -0.0005    | Q(32)      |
| 119.3335 | 119.3342   | -0.0007    | Q(31)      |
| 119.3200 | 119.3204   | -0.0004    | Q(30)      |
| 119.3070 | 119.3072   | -0.0002    | Q(29)      |
| 119.2940 | 119.2943   | -0.0003    | Q(28)      |
| 119.2830 | 119.2819   | 0.0011     | Q(27)      |
| 119.2700 | 119.2700   | 0.0000     | Q(26)      |
| 119.2590 | 119.2585   | 0.0005     | Q(25)      |

|          |          |         |       |
|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| 119.2485 | 119.2475 | 0.0010  | Q(24) |
| 119.2375 | 119.2369 | 0.0006  | Q(23) |
| 119.2270 | 119.2267 | 0.0003  | Q(22) |
| 119.2170 | 119.2170 | 0.0000  | Q(21) |
| 119.2090 | 119.2077 | 0.0013  | Q(20) |
| 119.2000 | 119.1989 | 0.0011  | Q(19) |
| 119.1920 | 119.1905 | 0.0015  | Q(18) |
| 119.1827 | 119.1826 | 0.0001  | Q(17) |
| 119.1750 | 119.1751 | -0.0001 | Q(16) |
| 119.1680 | 119.1681 | -0.0001 | Q(15) |
| 119.1600 | 119.1615 | -0.0015 | Q(14) |
| 116.0150 | 116.0155 | -0.0005 | P(28) |
| 115.9130 | 115.9114 | 0.0016  | P(29) |
| 115.8090 | 115.8077 | 0.0013  | P(30) |
| 115.7060 | 115.7044 | 0.0016  | P(31) |
| 115.6030 | 115.6017 | 0.0013  | P(32) |
| 115.5000 | 115.4994 | 0.0006  | P(33) |
| 115.3990 | 115.3976 | 0.0014  | P(34) |
| 115.2970 | 115.2963 | 0.0007  | P(35) |
| 115.1960 | 115.1955 | 0.0005  | P(36) |
| 114.9940 | 114.9954 | -0.0014 | P(38) |
| 114.6990 | 114.6989 | 0.0001  | P(41) |

Table 2: Cartesian Coordinates (Å) for the CCSD(T)-F12b/aug-cc-pVQZ Optimized Geometries of HCN and (HCN)<sub>2</sub> with  $C_{\infty V}$  Symmetry.

| System             | X   | Y   | Z             |
|--------------------|-----|-----|---------------|
| HCN                | 0.0 | 0.0 | -3.8464938530 |
|                    | 0.0 | 0.0 | -2.7798347168 |
|                    | 0.0 | 0.0 | -1.6245812714 |
| (HCN) <sub>2</sub> | 0.0 | 0.0 | -3.8452184467 |
|                    | 0.0 | 0.0 | -2.7779410151 |
|                    | 0.0 | 0.0 | -1.6243343845 |
|                    | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.8164101294  |
|                    | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.6605333113  |
|                    | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5875299110  |

Table 3: The Predicted Absolute Electronic Energy  $E_{abs}$  (Units of Hartrees) for HCN and (HCN)<sub>2</sub> and Resulting Interaction Energies  $D_e$  (Units of kJ/mol) employing the CCSD(T) and CCSD(T)-F12b Methods with Dunning's Augmented Correlation-Consistent Basis Sets aug-cc-pV(T,Q,5,6)Z for CCSD(T)-F12b/aug-cc-pVQZ Geometries. The Complete Basis Set Limit (CBS) have been Calculated for the CCSD(T) Method.

| Method       | Basis Set   | $E_{abs}$ HCN | $E_{abs}$ (HCN) <sub>2</sub> | $D_e$ |
|--------------|-------------|---------------|------------------------------|-------|
| CCSD(T)-F12b | aug-cc-pVTZ | -93.3050358   | -186.6178173                 | 20.34 |
|              | aug-cc-pVQZ | -93.3121128   | -186.6318676                 | 20.06 |
|              | aug-cc-pV5Z | -93.3141756   | -186.6359098                 | 19.85 |
| CCSD(T)      | aug-cc-pVTZ | -93.2811176   | -186.5704720                 | 21.63 |
|              | aug-cc-pVQZ | -93.3034522   | -186.6146783                 | 20.41 |
|              | aug-cc-pV5Z | -93.3102516   | -186.6280970                 | 19.94 |
|              | aug-cc-pV6Z | -93.3126336   | -186.6328338                 | 19.87 |
|              | CBS(Q,5,6)  | -93.3126592   | -186.6328836                 | 19.85 |

Table 4: The Predicted Harmonic Band Origins (Units of cm<sup>-1</sup>) of the Vibrational Modes Associated with the Fundamental Transitions for HCN and (HCN)<sub>2</sub> at the CCSD(T)-F12b/aug-cc-pVQZ Level.

| Normal mode        | HCN     | (HCN) <sub>2</sub> |
|--------------------|---------|--------------------|
| Acceptor Libration |         | 48.02              |
| CH...N Stretching  |         | 118.77             |
| Donor Libration    |         | 137.18             |
| HCN Bending        | 727.88  | 739.85             |
|                    |         | 814.20             |
| CN Stretching      | 2127.07 | 2120.84            |
|                    |         | 2142.12            |
| CH Stretching      | 3437.73 | 3356.45            |
|                    |         | 3435.01            |