

**Supplementary material: An atom in molecules study of infrared intensity enhancements
in fundamental donor stretching bands on hydrogen bond formation.**

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Table S1: Bond lengths (Å) and angles (°).

System	distance/angle	CCSD/aug-cc-pVTZ	CCSD/cc-pVQZ-mod	Exp.
HF	r(HF)	0.918	0.914	0.917 ^a
HCl	r(HCl)	1.276	1.273	1.275 ^a
HCN	r(HC)	1.065	1.064	1.066 ^a
	r(CN)	1.153	1.149	1.153 ^a
HNC	r(HN)	0.995	0.993	0.996 ^b
	r(NC)	1.168	1.165	1.168 ^b
H ₂ O	r(HO)	0.959	0.955	0.958 ^a
	∠(HOH)	104.4	104.4	104.5 ^a
HF...HF	r(HF) _{donor}	0.923	0.918	
	r(HF) _{acceptor}	0.920	0.916	
	r(F...H)	1.842	1.841	
	r(F...F)	2.75	2.75	2.72 ± 0.03 ^c
	∠(H-F _{donor} ...F)	7	7	10 ± 6 ^c
	∠(H-F _{acceptor} ...F)	111	111	117 ± 6 ^c
HCl...HCl	r(HCl) _{donor}	1.279	1.276	
	r(HCl) _{acceptor}	1.278	1.275	
	r(Cl...H)	2.588	2.636	
	r(Cl...Cl)	3.848	3.892	3.746 ^d
	∠(H-Cl _{donor} ...Cl)	8	8	9 ^d
	∠(H-Cl _{acceptor} ...Cl)	88.2	88.4	90.2 ^d
HCN...HCN	r(HC) _{donor}	1.070	1.070	1.246 ^e
	r(CN) _{donor}	1.153	1.150	1.140 ^e
	r(HC) _{acceptor}	1.066	1.065	1.063 ^e
	r(CN) _{acceptor}	1.151	1.148	1.123 ^e
	r(N...H)	2.255	2.240	2.075 ^e
	r(N...N)	4.488	4.460	4.461 ^e
HNC...HNC	r(HN) _{donor}	1.008	1.006	
	r(NC) _{donor}	1.167	1.164	
	r(HN) _{acceptor}	0.996	0.995	
	r(NC) _{acceptor}	1.163	1.160	
	r(C...H)	2.111	2.120	
HCN...HF	r(HF) _{donor}	0.929	0.923	
	r(HC) _{acceptor}	1.066	1.065	
	r(CN) _{acceptor}	1.149	1.146	
	r(N...H)	1.868	1.883	
	r(N...F)	2.796	2.806	2.796 ^f
HF...HCl	r(HCl) _{donor}	1.280	1.277	
	r(HF) _{acceptor}	0.920	0.915	
	r(F...H)	2.096	2.097	2.12 ^g
	r(Cl...F)	3.37	3.36	3.37 ^g
	∠(H-Cl _{donor} ...F)	6	7	
	∠(H-F _{acceptor} ...Cl)	117	115	130 ^g
H ₂ O...HF	r(HF) _{donor}	0.930	0.926	
	r(OH) _{acceptor}	0.958	0.954	
	r(O...H)	1.741	1.741	
	r(O...F)	2.67	2.65	2.662 ^h
	∠(H-F _{donor} ...O)	0.4	0.5	

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The largest deviations in bond lengths (roughly 0.2 Å) are observed for two values of the HCN...HCN dimer but, as discussed in the experimental data source,^e they can be explained by inaccuracies in microwave derived distances since the hydrogen from the donor molecule is very close to the center of mass.

Table S2: QTAIM charges obtained from CCSD/cc-pVQZ-mod calculations at equilibrium geometries.

System	Atom ^a	q _i (e)	System	Atom ^a	q _i (e)
HF	H	0.753	HNC...HNC	H _d	0.585
HCl	H	0.256		N _d	-1.615
HCN	H	0.191		C _d	1.000
	C	1.015		H _a	0.566
	N	-1.207		N _a	-1.556
HNC	H	0.551		C _a	1.020
	N	-1.581	HCN...HF	H _d	0.774
	C	1.030		F _d	-0.801
H ₂ O	H	0.588		H _a	0.214
	O	-1.176		C _a	1.059
HF...HF	H _d	0.774		N _a	-1.247
	F _d	-0.785	HF...HCl	H _d	0.299
	H _a	0.770		Cl _d	-0.303
	F _a	-0.759		H _a	0.764
HCl...HCl	H _d	0.274		F _a	-0.761
	Cl _d	-0.285	H ₂ O...HF	H _d	0.782
	H _a	0.267		F _d	-0.806
	Cl _a	-0.256		H _a	0.616
HCN...HCN	H _d	0.247		O _a	-1.207
	C _d	0.984			
	N _d	-1.242			
	H _a	0.208			
	C _a	1.043			
	N _a	-1.240			

^a The letters “a” and “d” refer to acceptor and donor monomers, respectively.

Table S3: Ratio between square roots of fundamental infrared intensities of HX_{donor} stretching modes in dimers (D) and monomers (M) along with the equivalent ratio from p_{zz}^H elements of donor monomers as obtained from CCSD/cc-pVQZ-mod calculations.

Dimers	$\sqrt{A^D/A^M}$	p_{zz}^D/p_{zz}^M
HF...HF	1.97	1.90
HCl...HCl	2.14	2.14
HCN...HCN	2.17	2.28
HNC...HNC	2.12	2.31
HCN...HF	2.66	2.69
HF...HCl	2.21	2.20
H ₂ O...HF	2.55	2.63

Table S4: Variations in QTAIM/CCFDF contributions to the infrared intensities of X-H stretching modes (km mol^{-1}) due to dimerization according only to p_{zz}^H elements of donor monomers as obtained from CCSD/cc-pVQZ-mod calculations.

Dimers		QTAIM/CCFDF ^a							Tot
Y...HX	Attrib.	$\Delta(A^C)$	$\Delta(A^{CF})$	$\Delta(A^{DF})$	$\Delta(A^{C \times CF})$	$\Delta(A^{C \times DF})$	$\Delta(A^{CF \times DF})$	$\Delta(A^{CF \text{ terms}})$	
HF...HF	HF _{donor}	31.2	-248.0	30.7	301.3	92.4	62.7	116.1	270.4
HCl...HCl	HCl _{donor}	9.3	127.9	-59.8	86.3	19.4	-52.9	161.4	130.2
HCN...HCN	HC _{donor}	24.0	450.9	31.0	210.9	-79.2	-387.5	274.3	250.2
HNC...HNC	HN _{donor}	37.8	353.5	-2.0	603.7	-8.2	-206.4	750.9	778.6
HCN...HF	HF _{donor}	31.9	-446.3	-10.2	800.2	-20.0	288.9	642.8	644.5
HF...HCl	HCl _{donor}	23.2	114.0	-57.8	105.9	-2.4	-45.0	174.9	137.9
H ₂ O...HF	HF _{donor}	44.0	-401.9	39.6	623.5	118.8	190.2	411.8	614.2

^a $\Delta(A^i) = A^i(\text{dimer}) - A^i(\text{monomer})$.

Table S5: Atomic terms of the QTAIM/CCFDF analysis of the polar tensor elements (e) associated with parallel dipole moment derivatives for displacements of the bridge hydrogen along the X-H axis from CCSD/cc-pVQZ-mod calculations.^a

Monomer	q_{Hd}	$-R_{\text{XHd}} \frac{\partial q_X}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$R_{\text{YHd}} \frac{\partial q_Y}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$\frac{\partial m_{\text{Hd},z}}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$\frac{\partial m_{X,z}}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$\frac{\partial m_{Y,z}}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	Other atoms		Tot
							CF	DF	
HF	0.753	-0.691	-	-0.074	0.338	-	-	-	0.326
HCl	0.256	0.423	-	0.077	-0.562	-	-	-	0.194
HCN	0.191	0.536	-	0.075	-0.656	-	0.130	-0.029	0.247
HNC	0.551	-0.127	-	0.066	-0.258	-	0.211	-0.015	0.427
Dimer	q_{Hd}	$-R_{\text{XHd}} \frac{\partial q_X}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$R_{\text{YHd}} \frac{\partial q_Y}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$\frac{\partial m_{\text{Hd},z}}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$\frac{\partial m_{X,z}}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	$\frac{\partial m_{Y,z}}{\partial z_{\text{Hd}}}$	CF	DF	Tot
HF...HF	0.774	-0.534	-0.018	-0.015	0.283	0.049	0.079	0.002	0.619
HCl...HCl	0.274	0.486	0.023	0.102	-0.556	0.037	0.048	-0.001	0.414
HCN...HCN	0.247	0.559	-0.066	0.110	-0.696	-0.008	0.459	-0.042	0.564
HNC...HNC	0.585	-0.020	0.007	0.092	-0.292	-0.015	0.621	0.013	0.991
HCN...HF	0.774	-0.473	-0.072	-0.012	0.282	-0.009	0.403	-0.017	0.876
HF...HCl	0.299	0.517	-0.027	0.119	-0.566	0.025	0.054	0.002	0.423
H ₂ O...HF	0.782	-0.444	-0.059	0.005	0.275	0.035	0.247	0.018	0.858

^a The letter “d” labelling some of the terms refers to donor monomers.

Table S6: Contributions from charge, charge flux (donor, charge transfer and acceptor) and polarization changes (donor and acceptor) as given by the QTAIM/CCDFD analysis of the polar tensor elements (e) associated with parallel dipole moment derivatives for displacements of the bridge hydrogen along the X-H axis from CCSD/cc-pVQZ-mod calculations.^a

Monomer	q_{Hd}	$\sum_{i \in d} z_{iHd} \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in a} z_{YHd} \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in a} z_{iY} \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in d} \frac{\partial m_{i,z}}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in a} \frac{\partial m_{i,z}}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	Tot
HF	0.753	-0.691	-	-	0.264	-	0.326
HCl	0.256	0.423	-	-	-0.485	-	0.194
HCN	0.191	0.666	-	-	-0.610	-	0.247
HNC	0.551	0.084	-	-	-0.208	-	0.427
Dimer	q_{Hd}	$\sum_{i \in d} z_{iHd} \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in a} z_{YHd} \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in a} z_{iY} \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in d} \frac{\partial m_{i,z}}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	$\sum_{i \in a} \frac{\partial m_{i,z}}{\partial z_{Hd}}$	Tot
HF...HF	0.774	-0.534	0.053	0.008	0.268	0.051	0.619
HCl...HCl	0.274	0.486	0.076	-0.005	-0.454	0.036	0.414
HCN...HCN	0.247	0.794	0.066	0.092	-0.620	-0.015	0.564
HNC...HNC	0.585	0.289	0.191	0.128	-0.185	-0.017	0.991
HCN...HF	0.774	-0.473	0.148	0.183	0.270	-0.026	0.876
HF...HCl	0.299	0.517	0.020	0.007	-0.447	0.027	0.423
H ₂ O...HF	0.782	-0.444	0.127	0.061	0.280	0.053	0.858

^a The letters "a" and "d" labelling some of the terms refer to acceptor and donor monomers, respectively.