

Infrared Spectroscopy

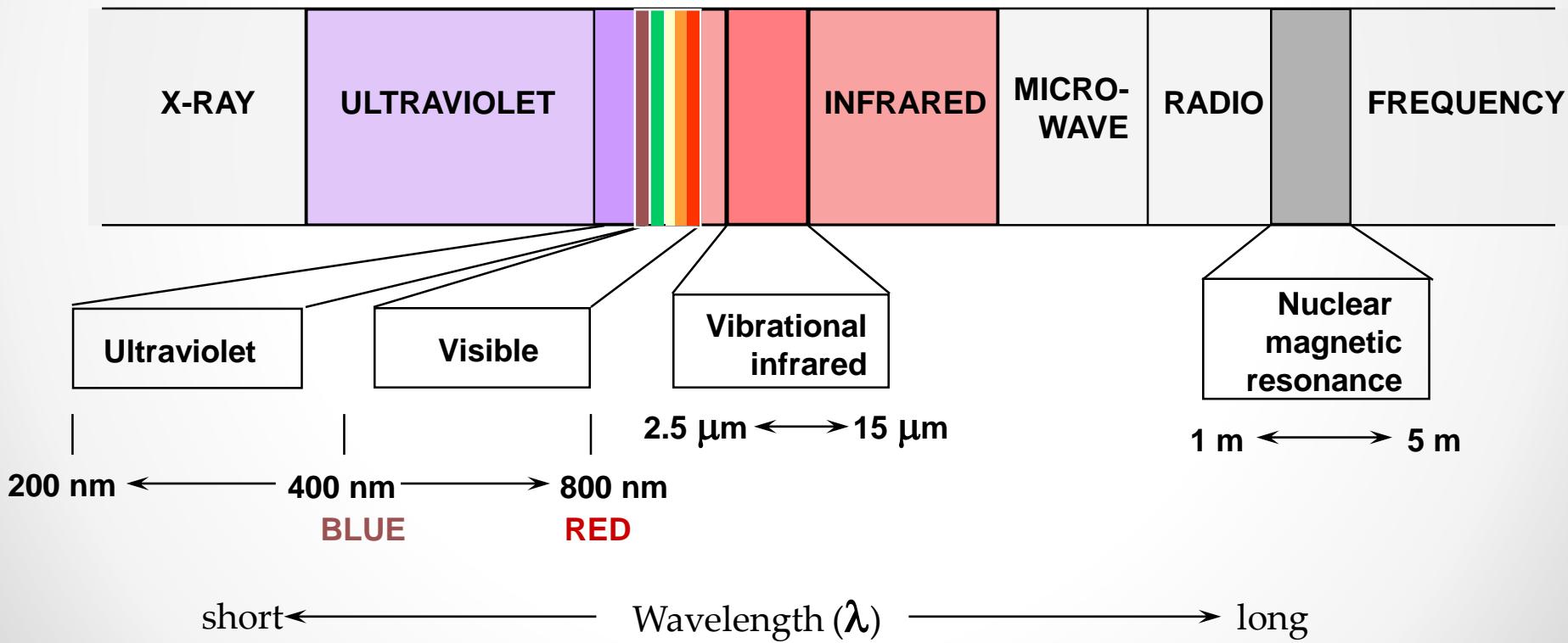
تشخيص المركبات بالأشعة تحت الحمراء FT-IR

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The Electromagnetic Spectrum

high ← Frequency (ν) → low
high ← Energy → low



- Infrared spectroscopy (IR) measures the bond vibration frequencies in a molecule and is used to determine the functional group.
- The IR region is divided into three regions:
 1. The near IR ($12500\text{-}4000\text{ cm}^{-1}$) (overton region)
 2. The mid IR ($4000\text{-}200\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
 3. The far IR ($200\text{-}10\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- The mid IR region is of greatest practical use to the organic compounds.

The unit used on an IR spectrum is

Wavenumbers $\bar{\nu}$

$$\bar{\nu} = \text{wavenumbers (cm}^{-1}\text{)} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

wavelength (cm)

$$\nu = \text{frequency} = \bar{\nu} C$$

$$C = \text{speed of light}$$
$$= 3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm/sec}$$

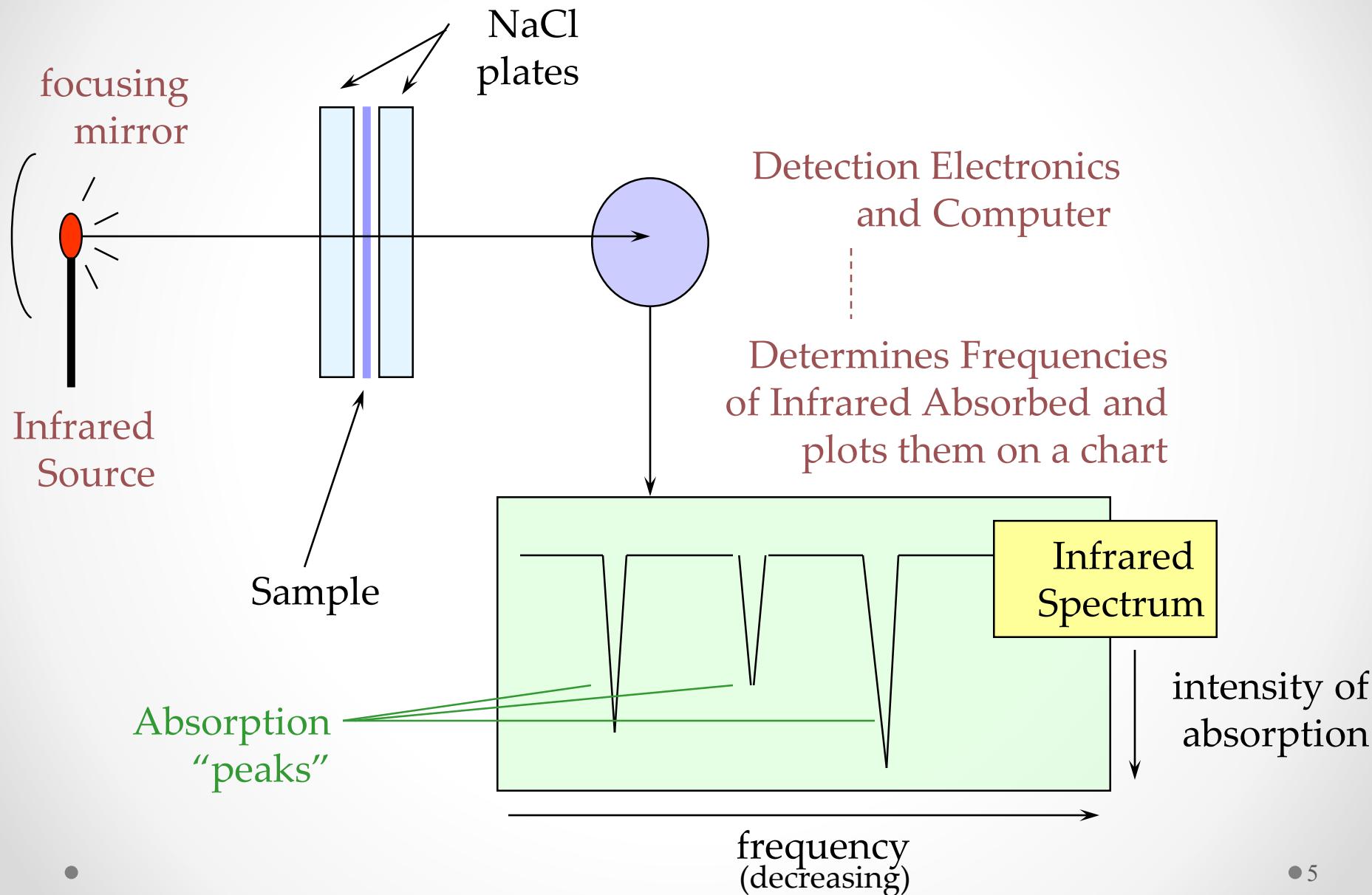
or

$$\nu = \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \right) C = \frac{C}{\lambda}$$

$$\frac{\text{cm/sec}}{\text{cm}} = \frac{1}{\text{sec}}$$

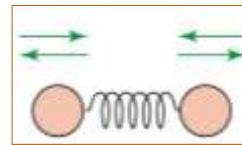
wavenumbers are directly proportional to frequency

Simplified Infrared Spectrophotometer



Molecular Vibrations

- Molecules are made up of atoms linked by chemical bonds. The movement of atoms and chemical bonds like spring and balls (vibration).

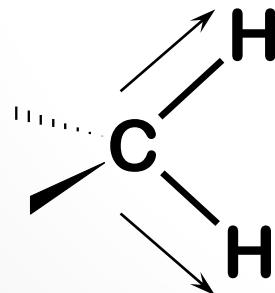


- There are two main vibrational modes :
 - 1- Stretching - change in bond length (higher frequency)

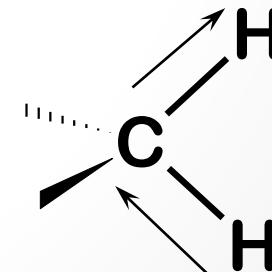
Stretching Types:



in-phase



out-of-phase

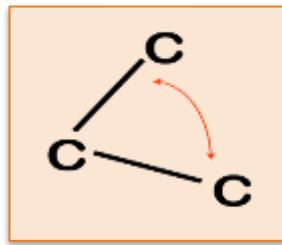


- Symmetric Stretch

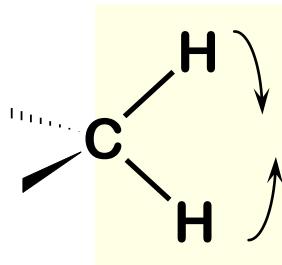
- Asymmetric Stretch • 6

2- Bending - change in bond angle (lower frequency)

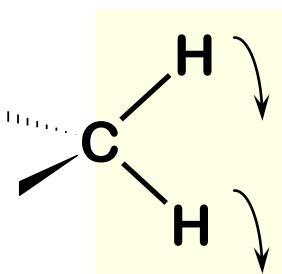
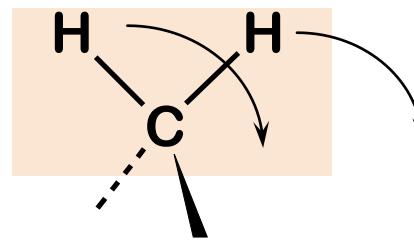
Bending Types:



Scissoring

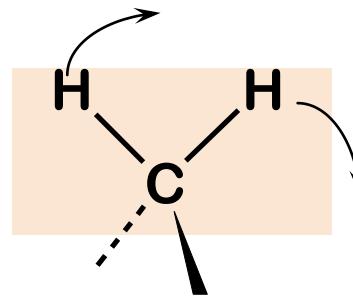


Wagging



Rocking

in-plane



Twisting

out-of-plane

3- Fingerprints

Dipole Moments

Only bonds which have significant dipole moments will absorb infrared radiation.

Factors that influence in determining the locations of the spectrum peaks various

1. Atomic Masses

Frequency decreases with increasing atomic mass.



2. Bond Strength

Frequency increases with increasing bond energy.



2150 1650 1200

3. The coupling between bonds different groups.



1800 to 1650



2350

4. stereochemistry effects.

5. Solvents, Temperature and Sample state.

Samples

1. Solid :- KBr disk (1 mg solid sample + 100 mg KBr pressed into a disk)
 - Mull (1 mg solid sample suspended in Nujol (heavy liquid hydrocarbon))
2. Liquid : Thin film of liquid between two NaCl plates solution in CCl₄ and put in special NaCl cells.
3. Gas IR spectrum is obtained directly by permitting the sample to expand into an evacuated special cells.

Solvents

1. Must be transparent in the region studied: no single solvent is transparent throughout the entire IR region.
2. Water and alcohols are seldom employed to avoid O-H band of water.
3. Must be chemically inert (does not react with substance or cell holder).
 CCl_4 , CS_2 , or CHCl_3 ; may be used but we should consider its IR spectrum.

Describing IR Absorptions

IR absorptions are described by their frequency and appearance.

- *Frequency* (ν) is given in wavenumbers (cm^{-1})
- *Appearance* is qualitative: intensity and shape
- conventional abbreviations:

vs	very strong
s	strong
m	medium
w	weak
br	broad
sh	sharp or shoulder

Index of Hydrogen Deficiency

The index is the sum of the number of ring, the number of double bonds and twice the number of triple bonds.

$$\text{Index} = \text{carbons} - \frac{1}{2} \text{hydrogens} - \frac{1}{2} \text{halogens} + \frac{1}{2} \text{nitrogens} + 1$$

Example:



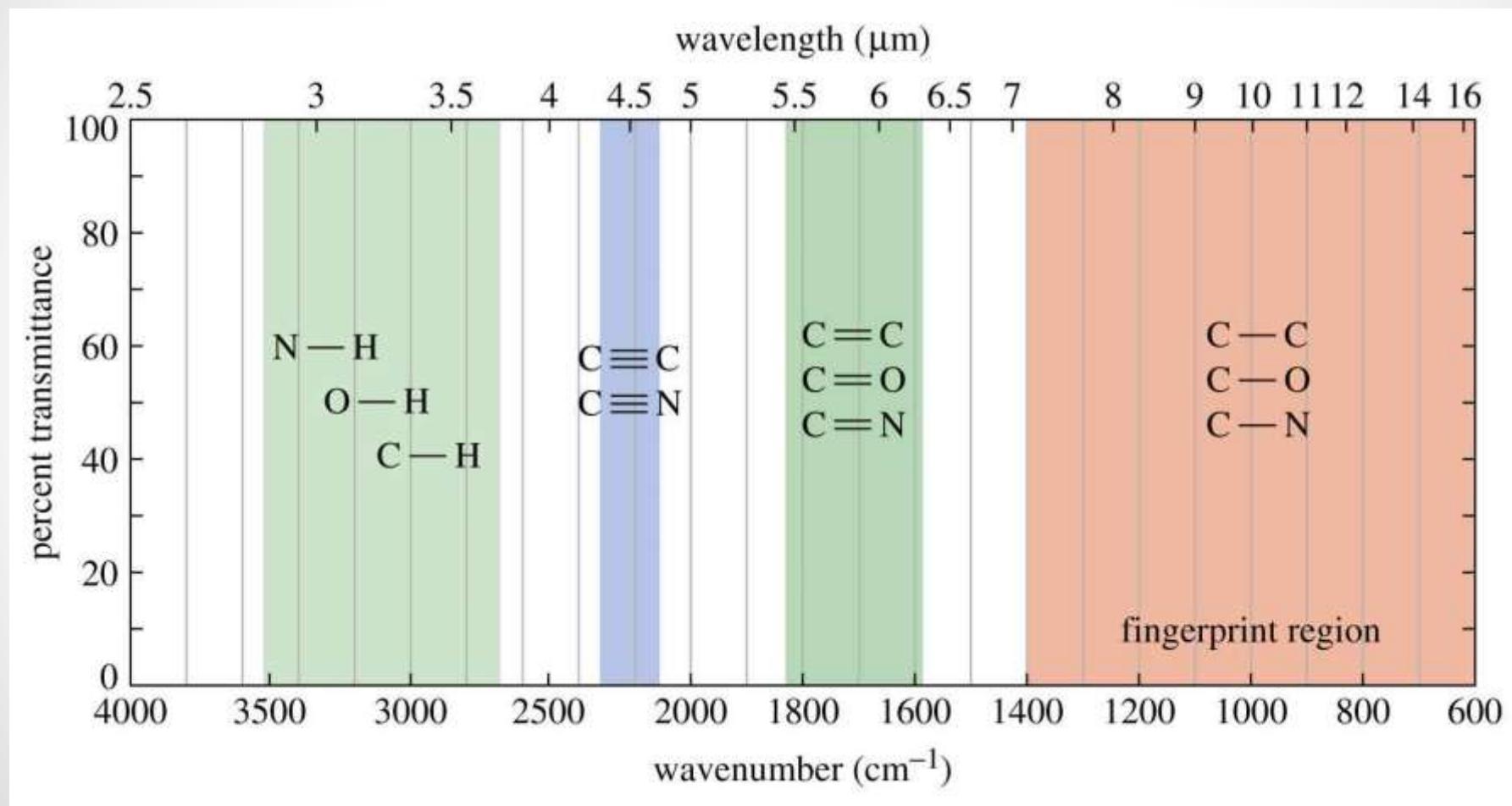
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Index} &= 6 - \frac{1}{2} (14) - \frac{1}{2} (0) + \frac{1}{2} (0) + 1 \\ &= 6 - 7 + 0 + 1 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

IR Absorption Regions

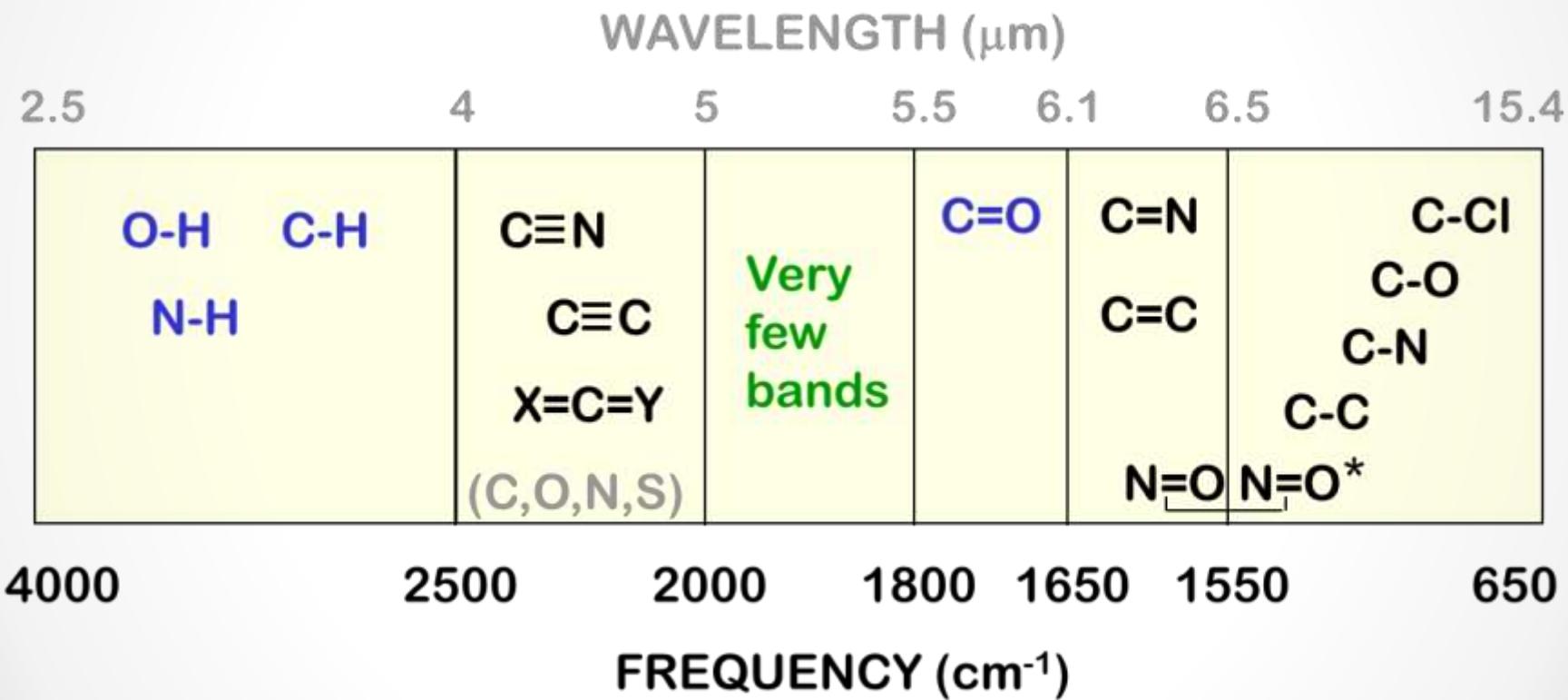
In general, the IR spectrum can be split into four regions for interpretation:

- **4000 – 2500 cm⁻¹**: Absorption of single bonds formed by hydrogen and other elements e.g. O–H, N–H, C–H
- **2500 – 2000 cm⁻¹**: Absorption of triple bonds e.g. C≡C, C≡N
- **2000 – 1500 cm⁻¹**: Absorption of double bonds e.g. C=C, C=O
- **1500 – 400 cm⁻¹**: This region often consists of many different, complicated bands, called the **fingerprint region**.
It is rarely used for identification of particular functional groups.

Summary of IR Absorptions



Typical IR Absorption Regions



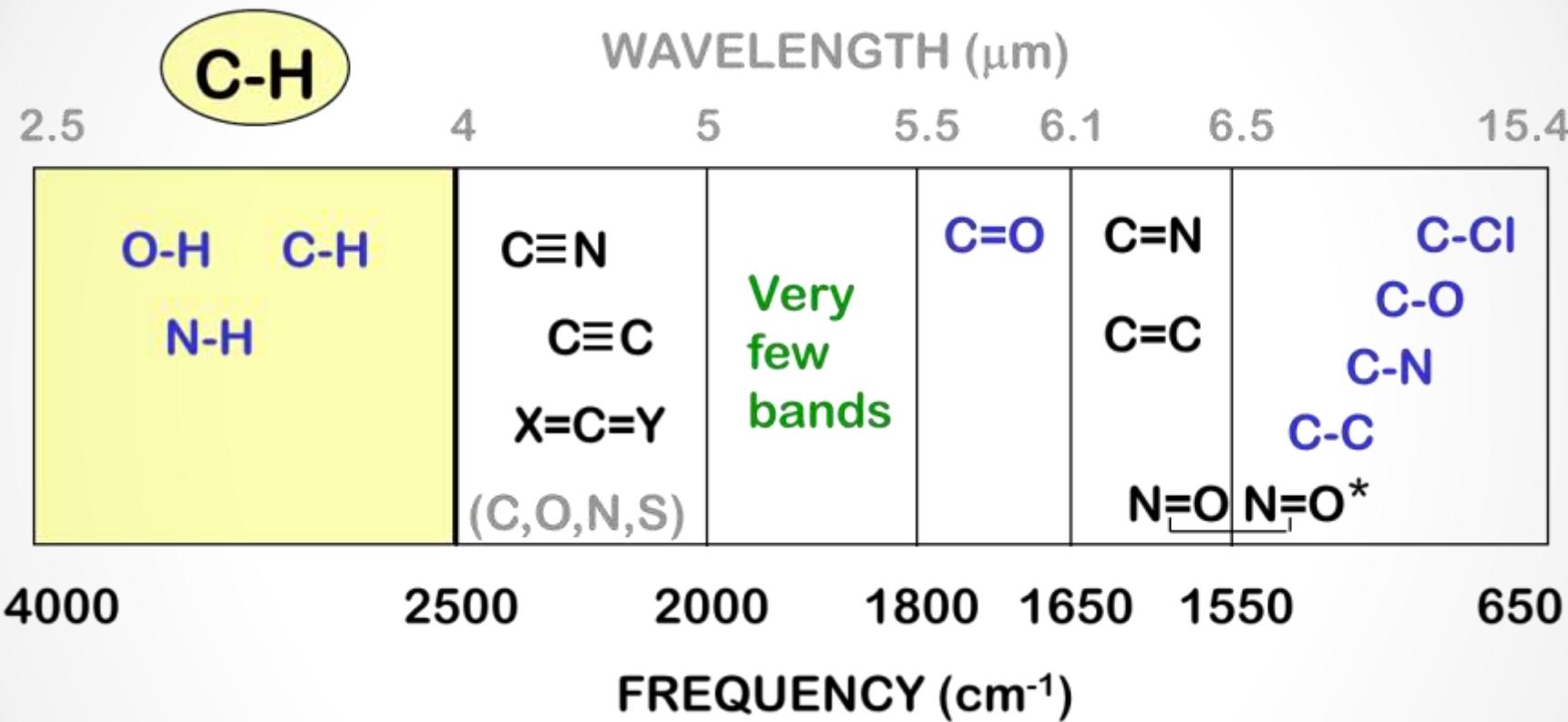
Base Values (+/-10 cm⁻¹)

O-H	3600
N-H	3400
C-H	3000
C≡N	2250
C≡C	2150
C=O	1715
C=C	1650
C-O	~1100

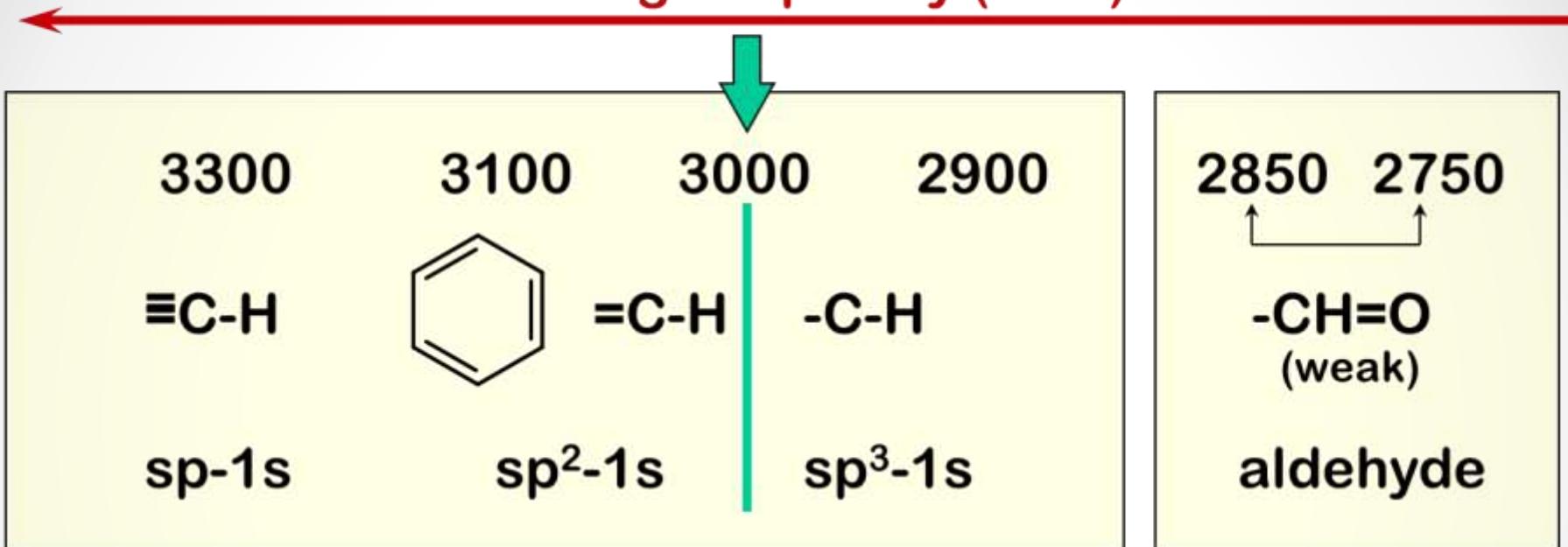
large range

The C-H Stretching Region

Base Value = 3000 cm⁻¹



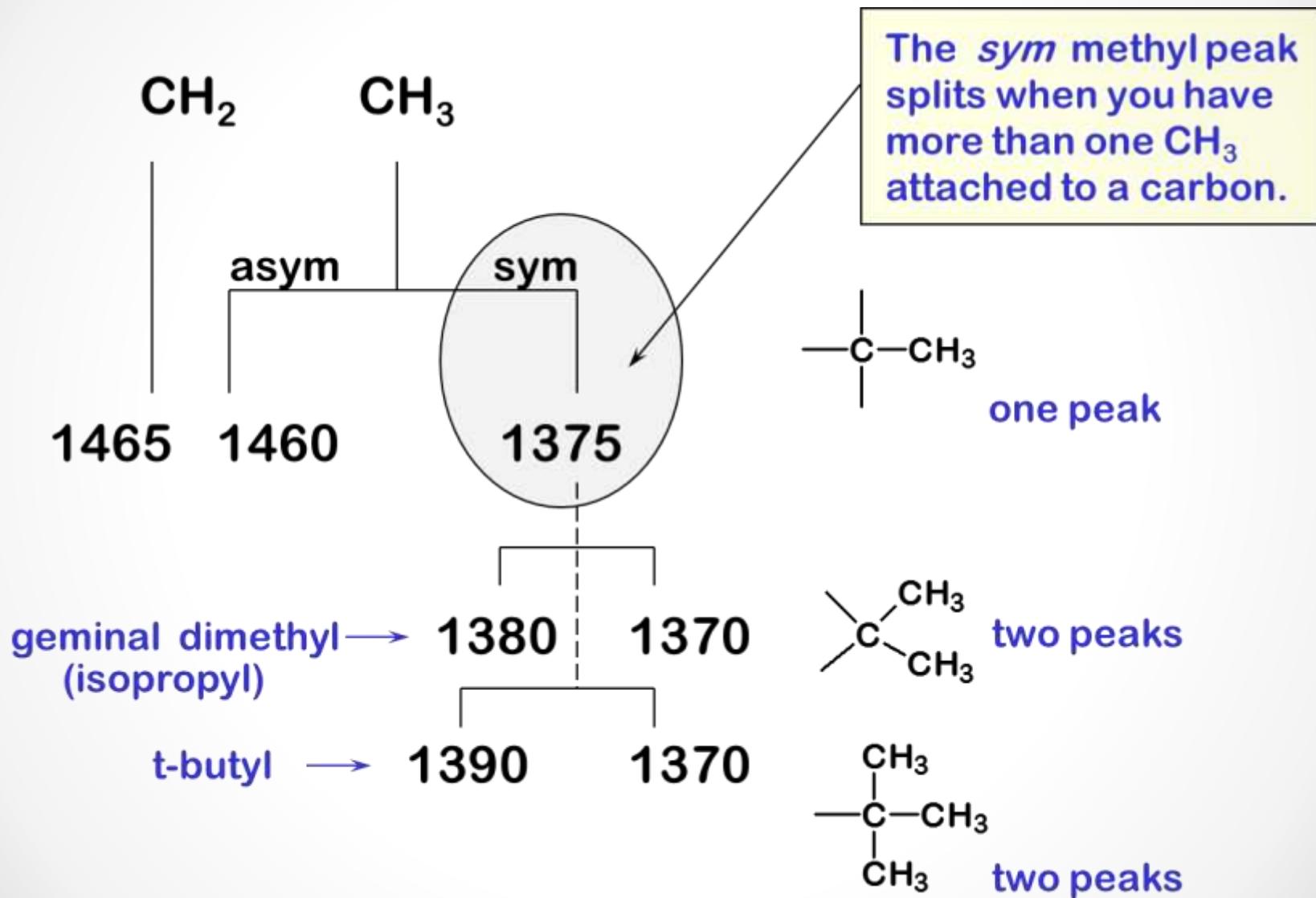
increasing frequency (cm^{-1})



increasing s character in bond

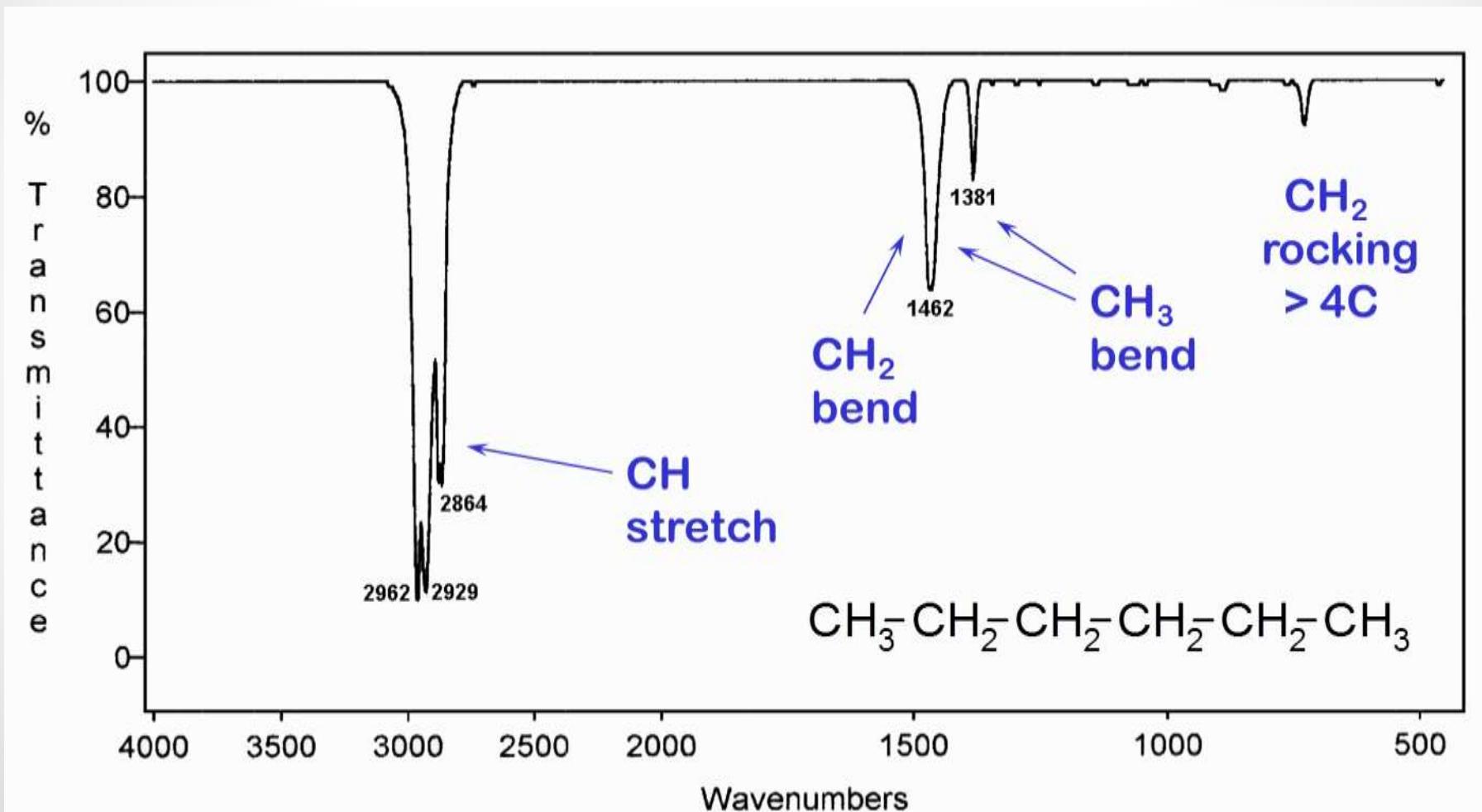
increasing CH Bond Strength

The C-H Bending Region



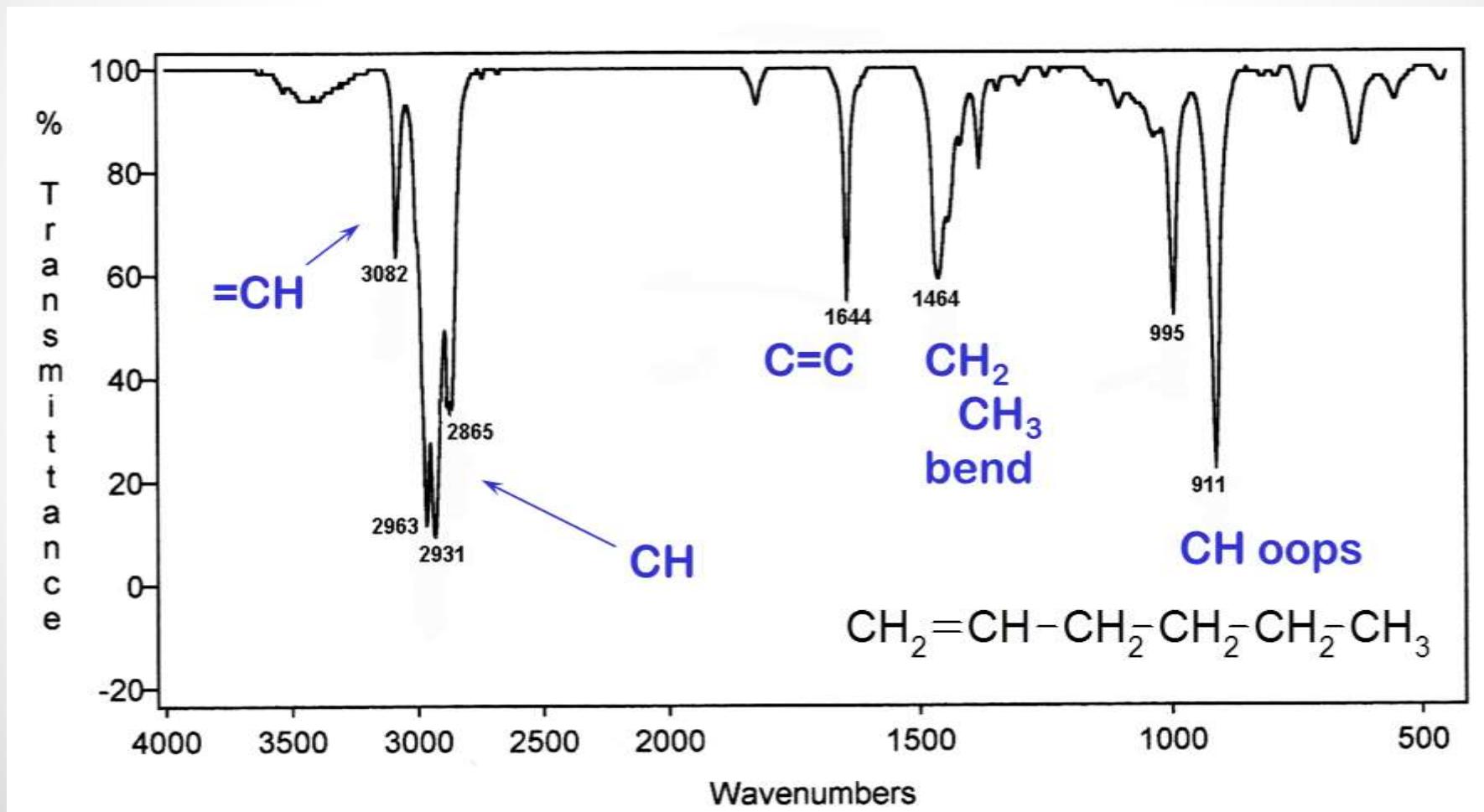
Alkane

Hexane



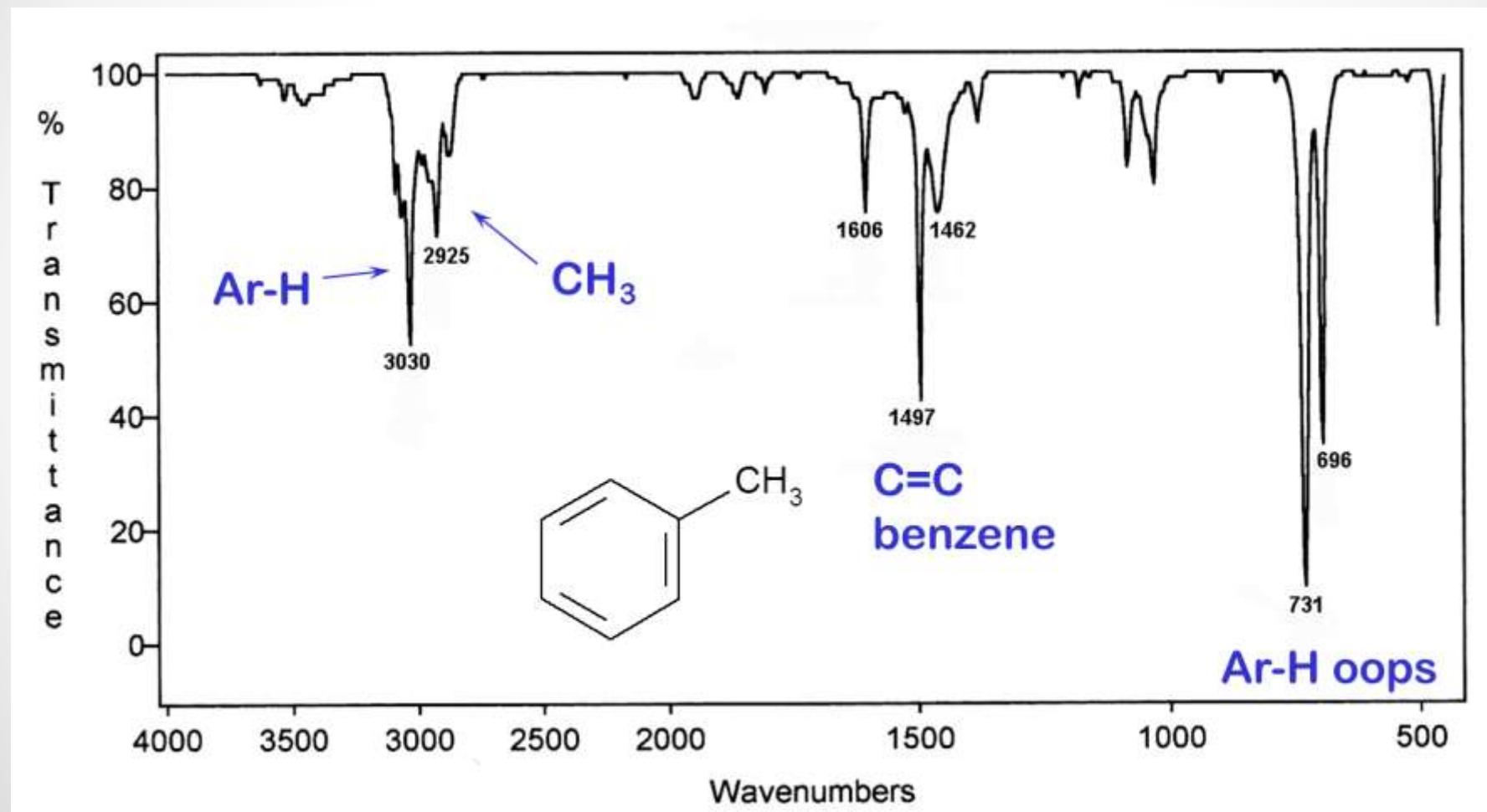
Alkene

1-Hexene



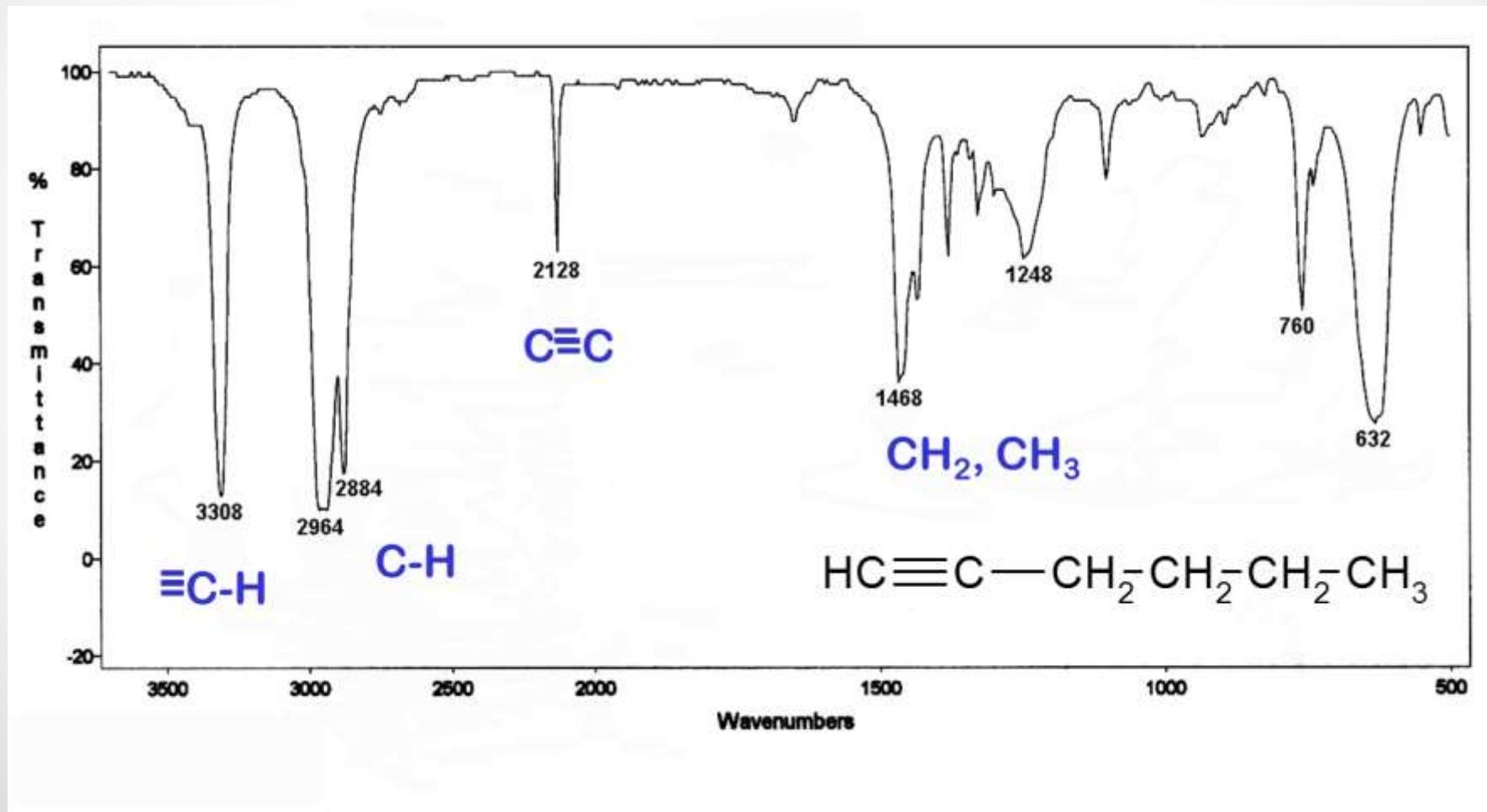
Aromatic

Toluene



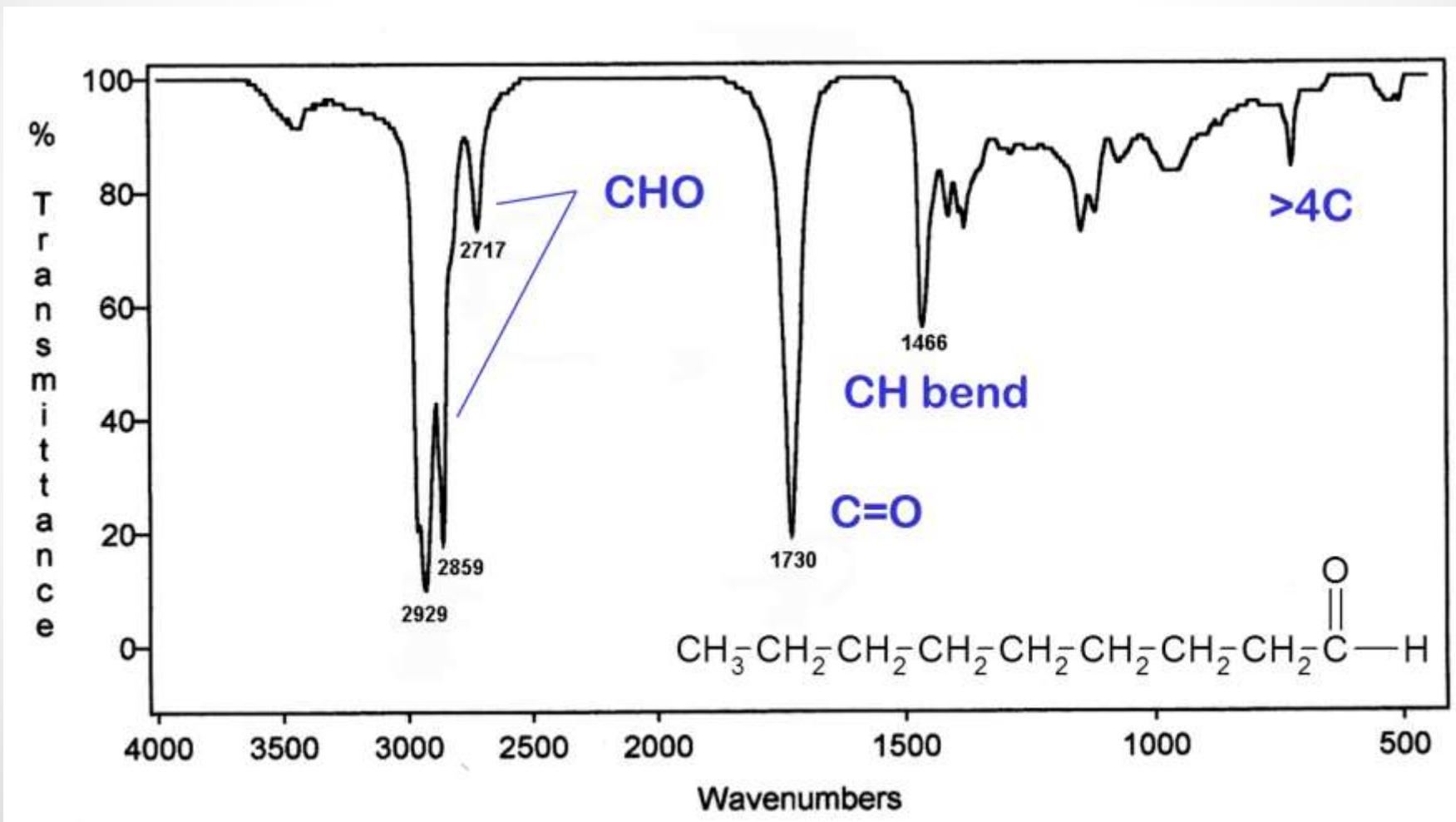
Alkyne

1-Hexyne

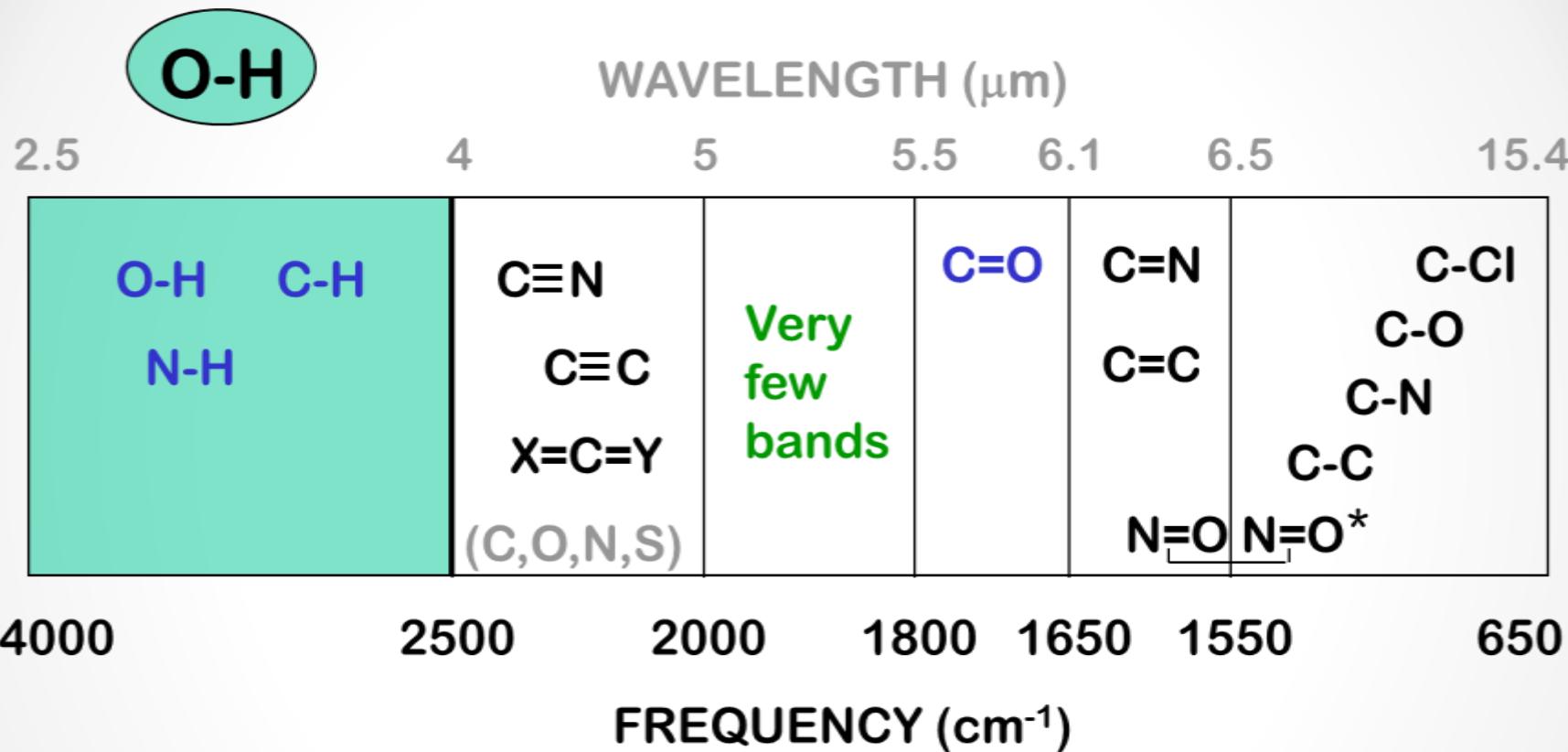


Aldehyde

Nonanal

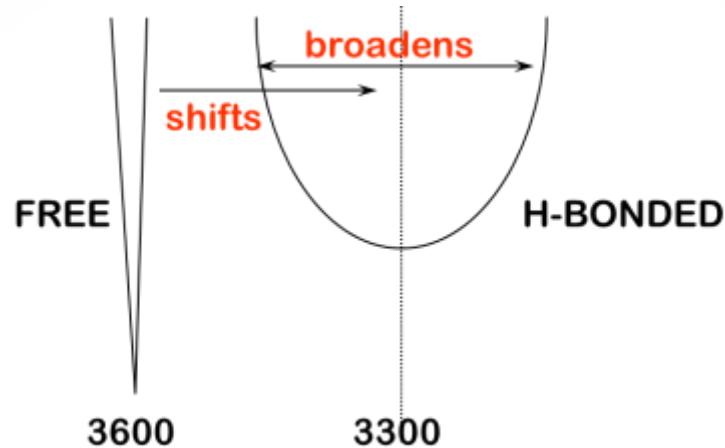


The O-H Stretching Region

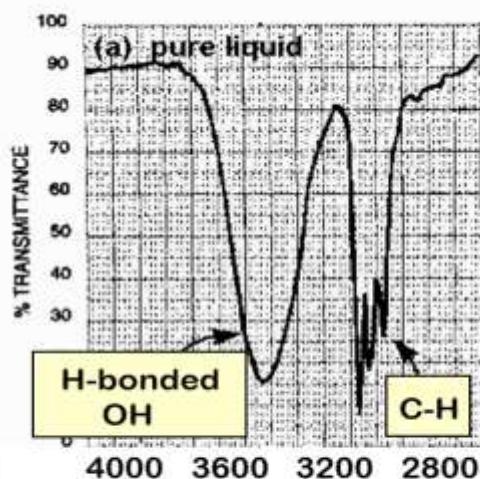


- O-H 3600 cm^{-1} (alcohol, free)
- ■ O-H 3300 cm^{-1} (alcohols & acids, H-bonding)

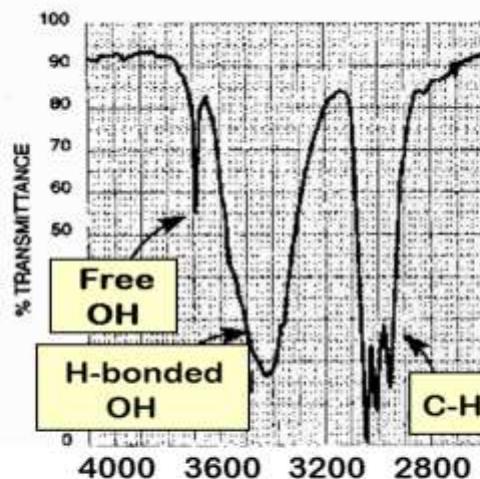
Effect of Hydrogen-Bonding on O-H Stretching



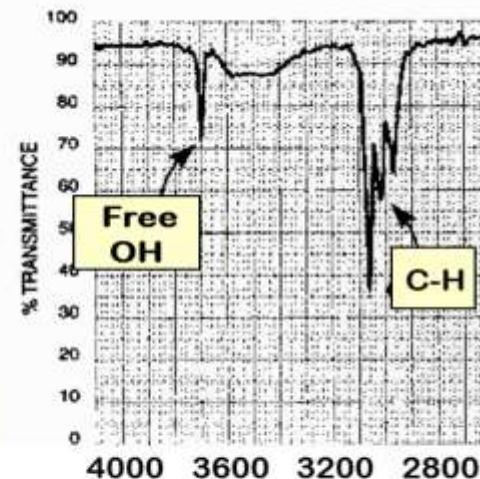
1-Butanol



(a) Pure Liquid



(b) Dilute Solution

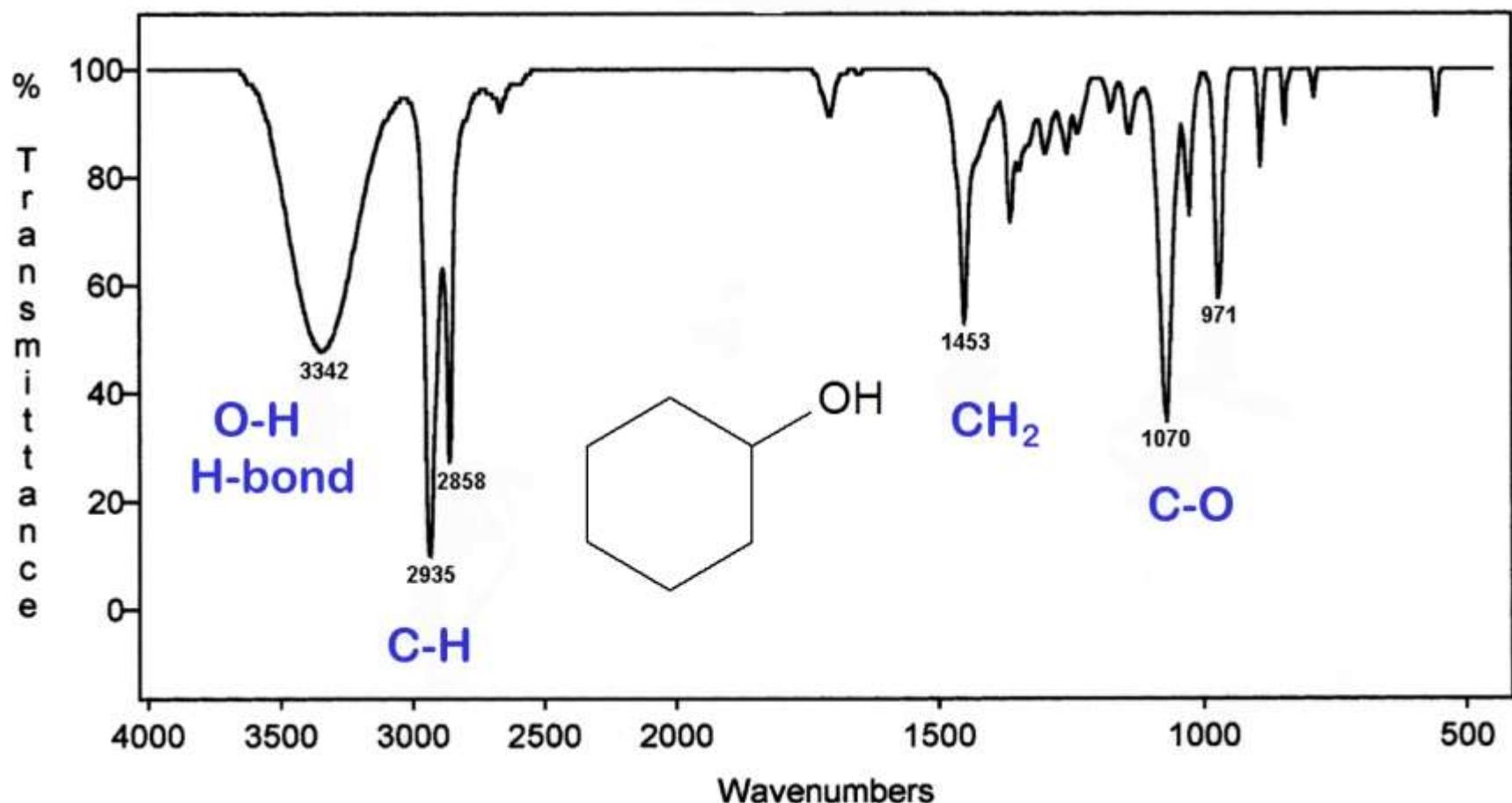


(c) Very Dilute Solution

Alcohol

Cyclohexanol

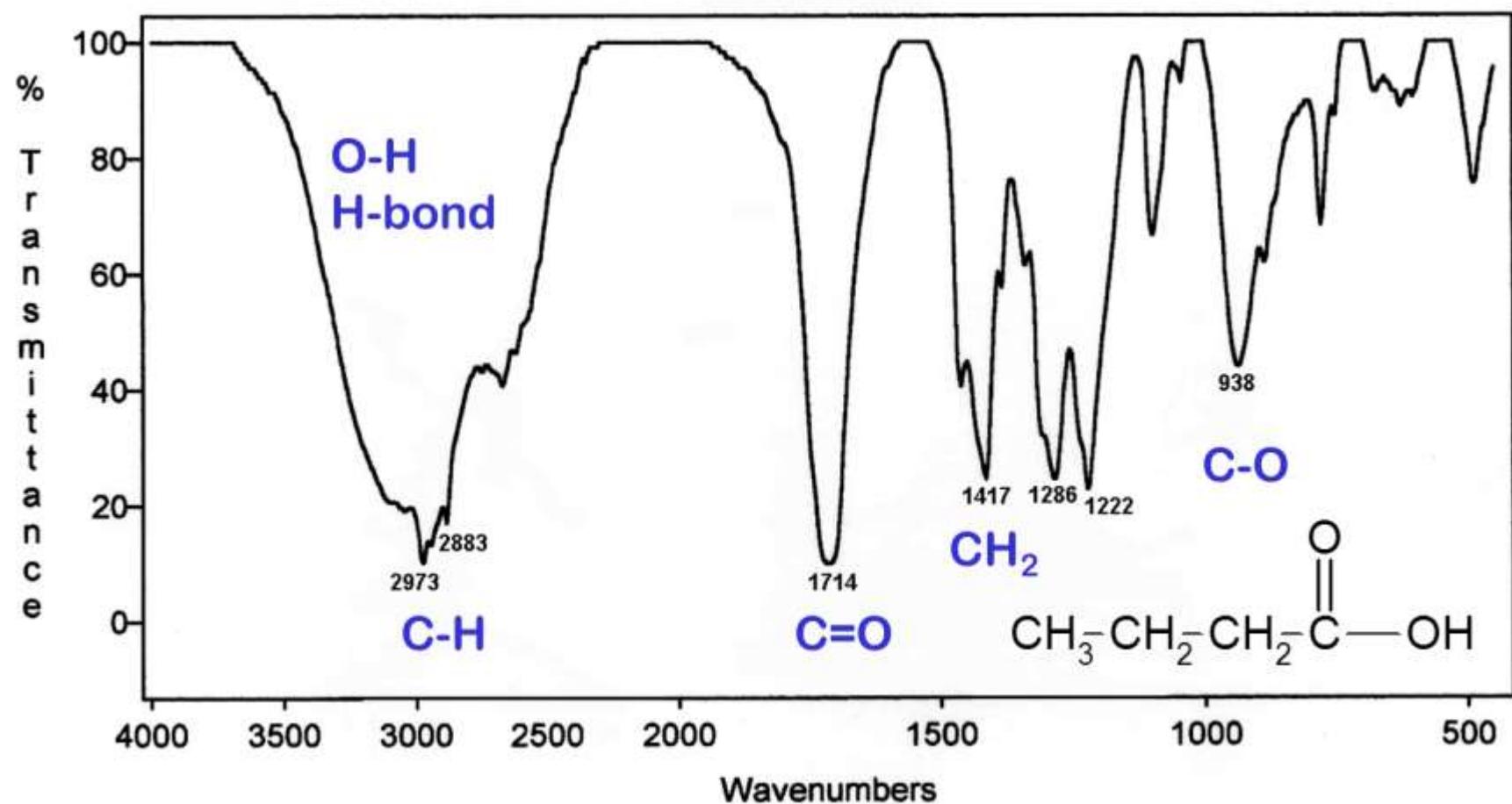
pure solution



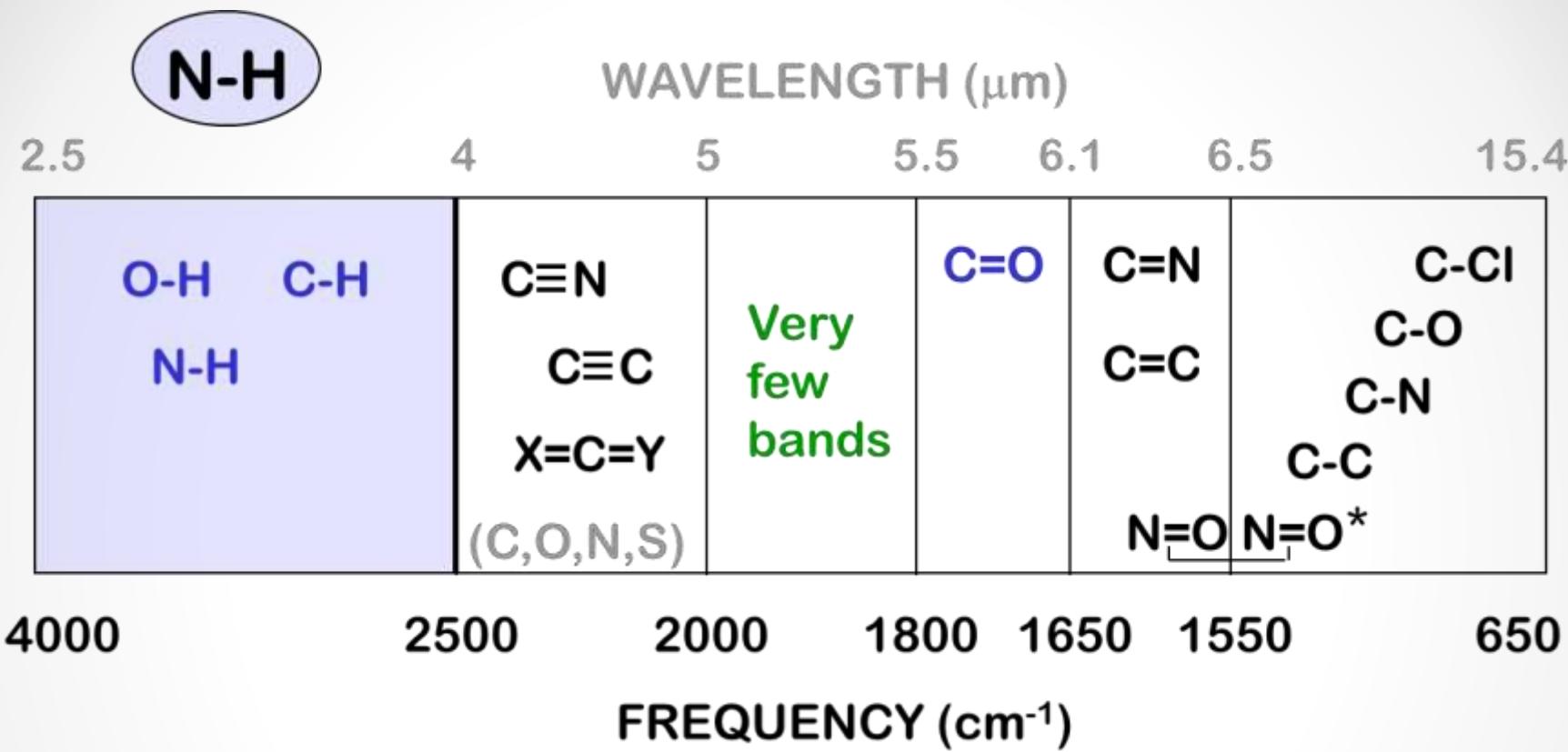
Carboxylic acid

Butanoic Acid

pure solution



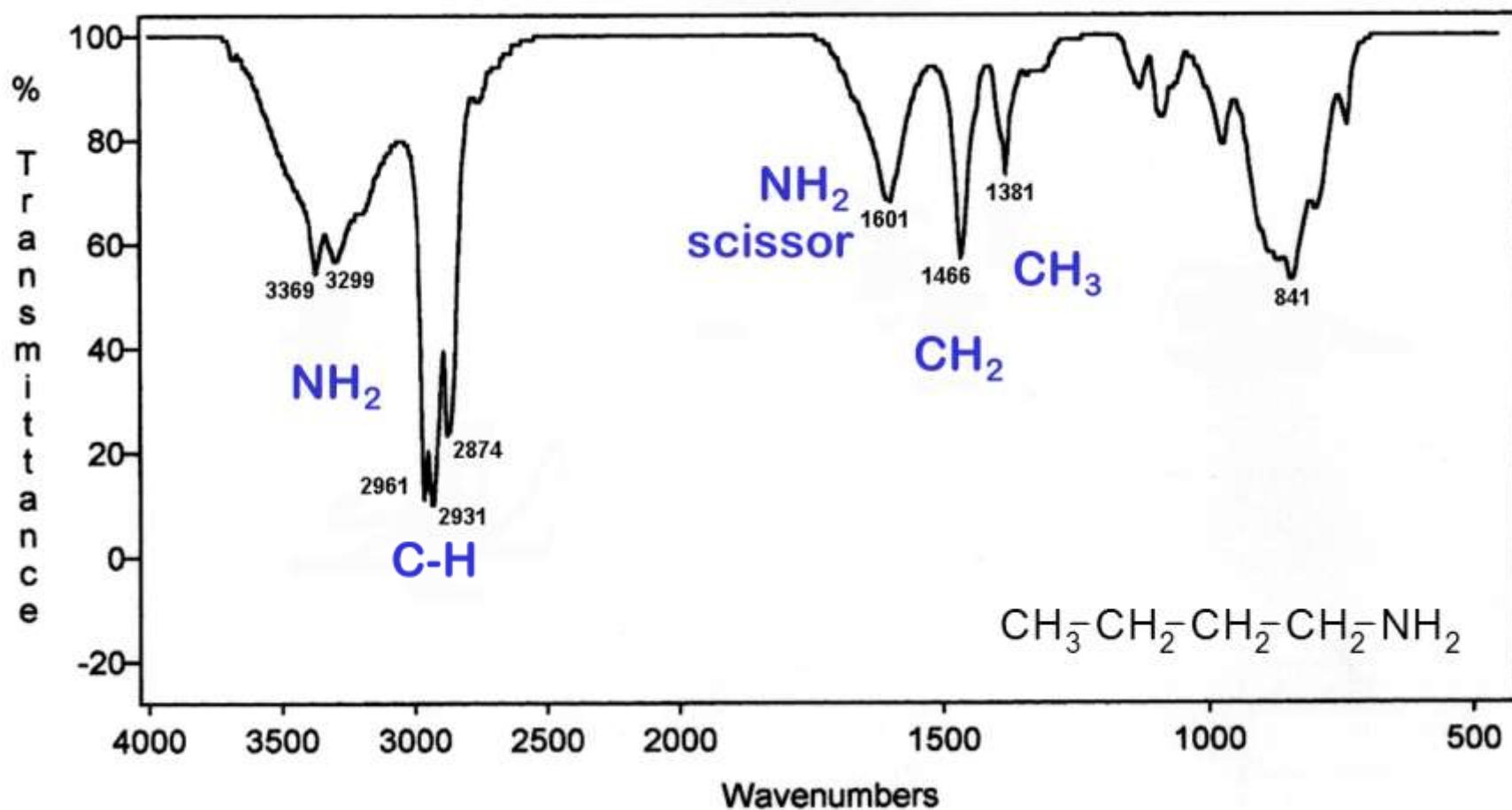
The N-H Stretching Region



- N-H 3300 - 3400 cm^{-1}
- Primary amines give two peaks
- Secondary amines give one peak
- Tertiary amines give no peak

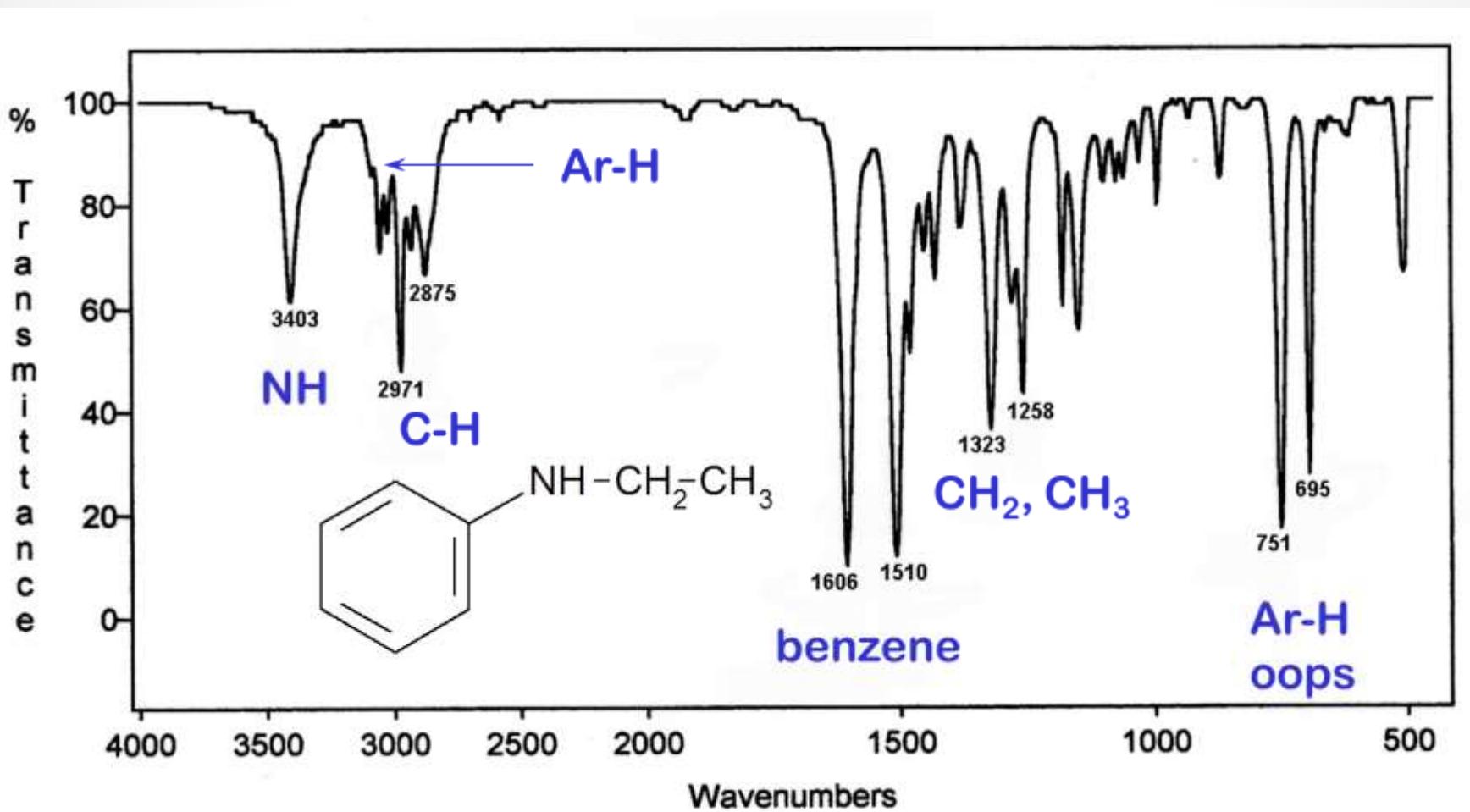
Primary amine

1-Butanamine



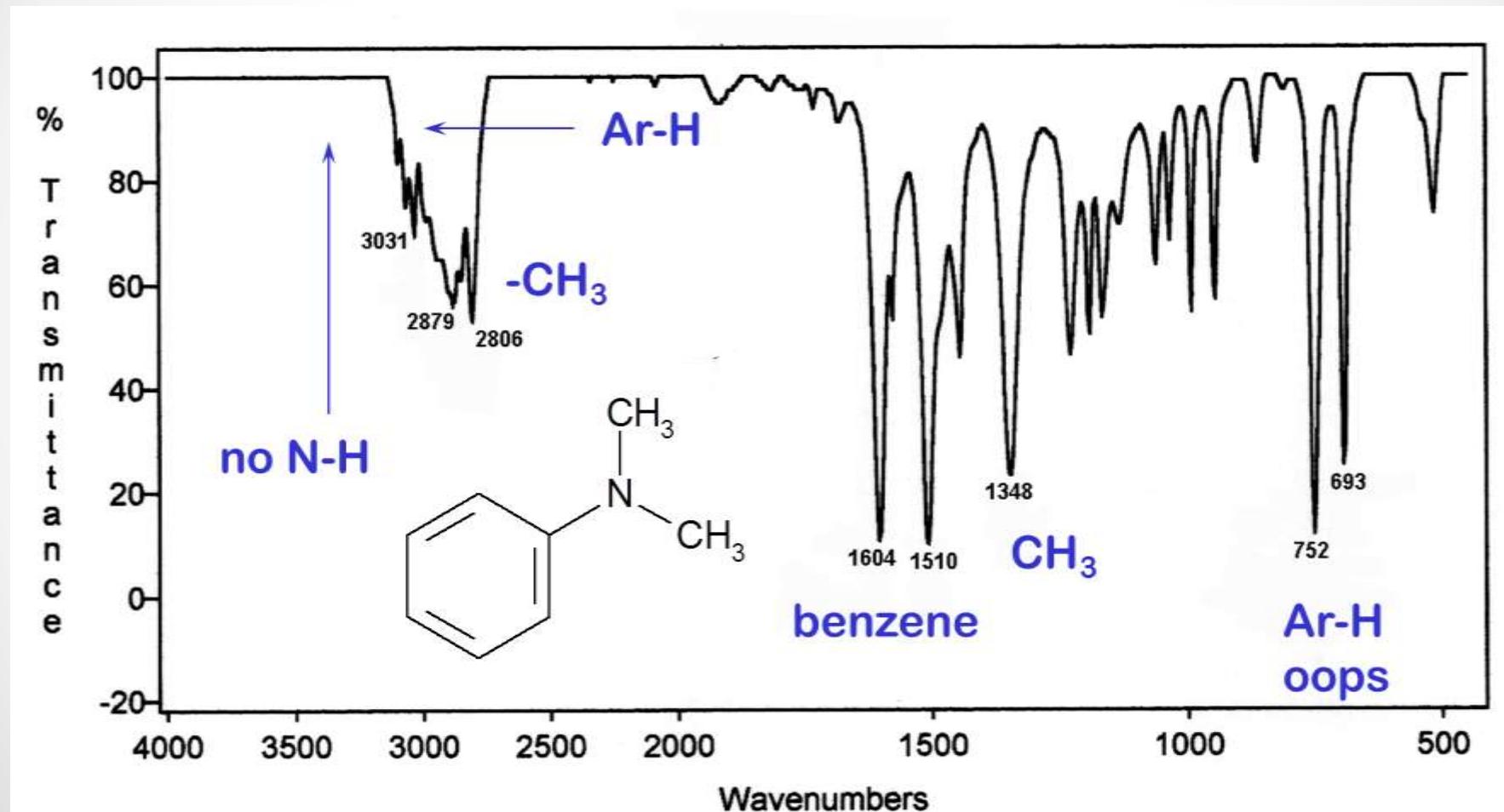
Secondary amine

N-Ethylbenzenamine

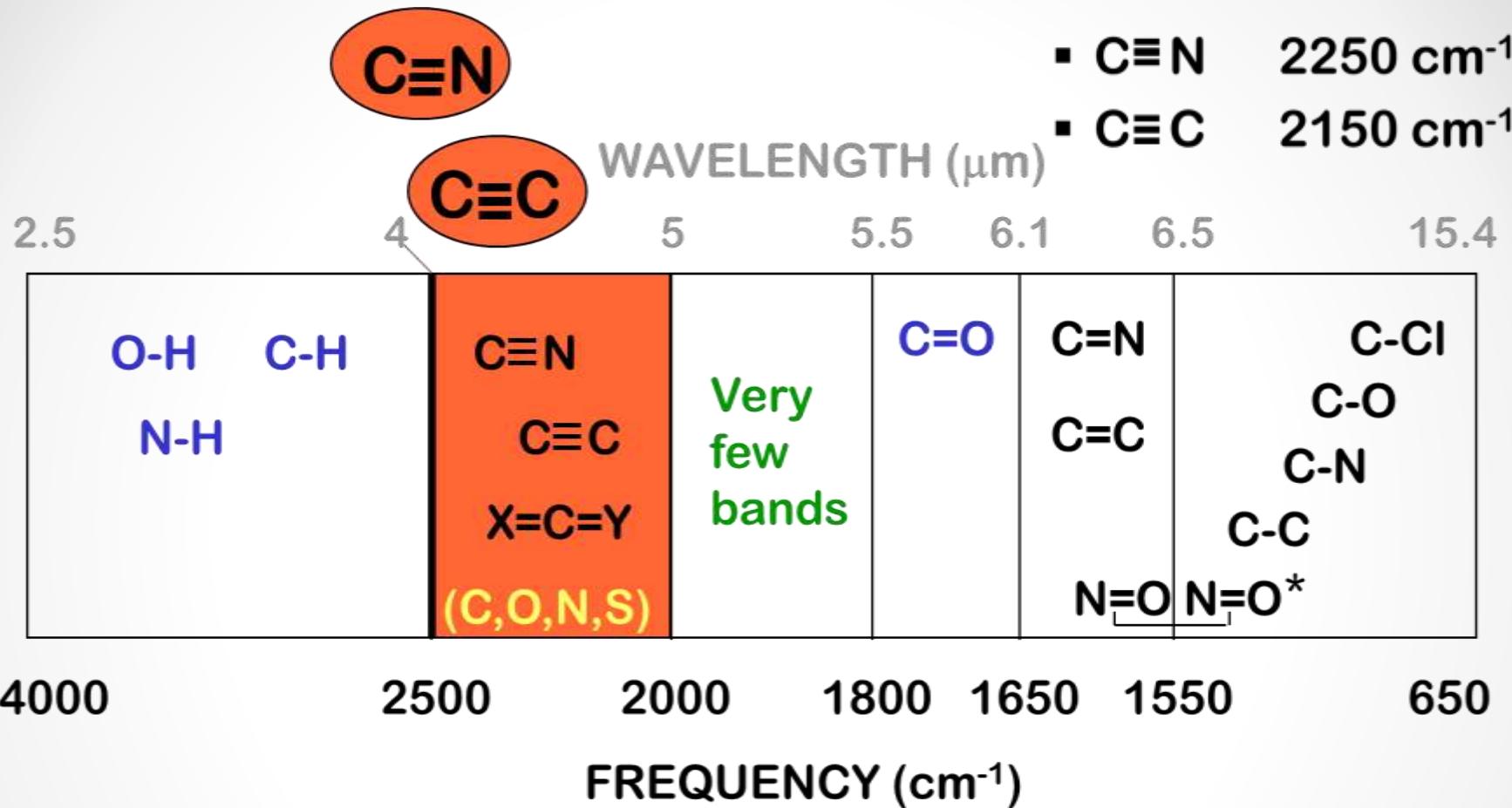


Tertiary amine

N,N-Dimethylaniline

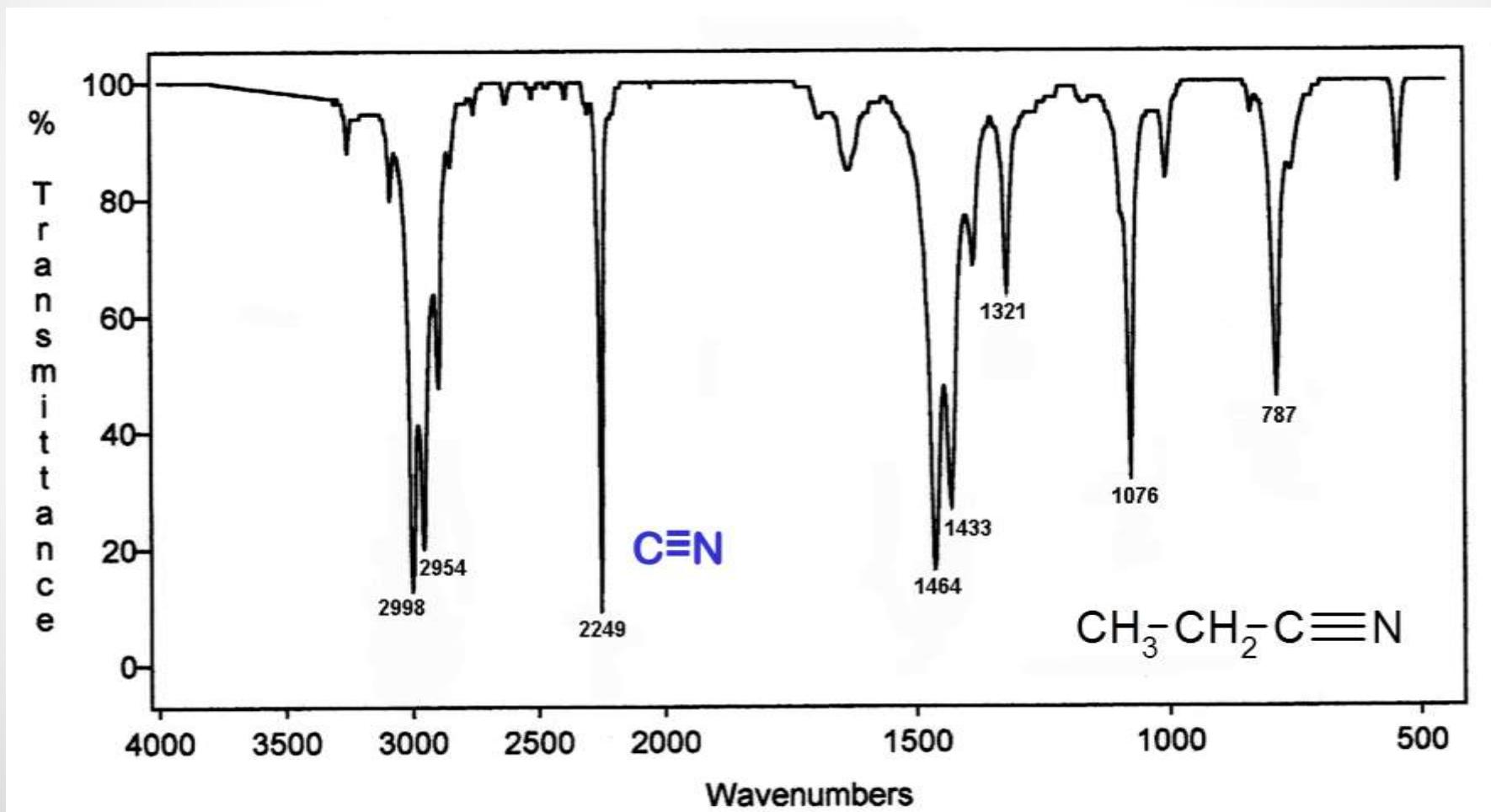


The Triple Bond Stretching Region

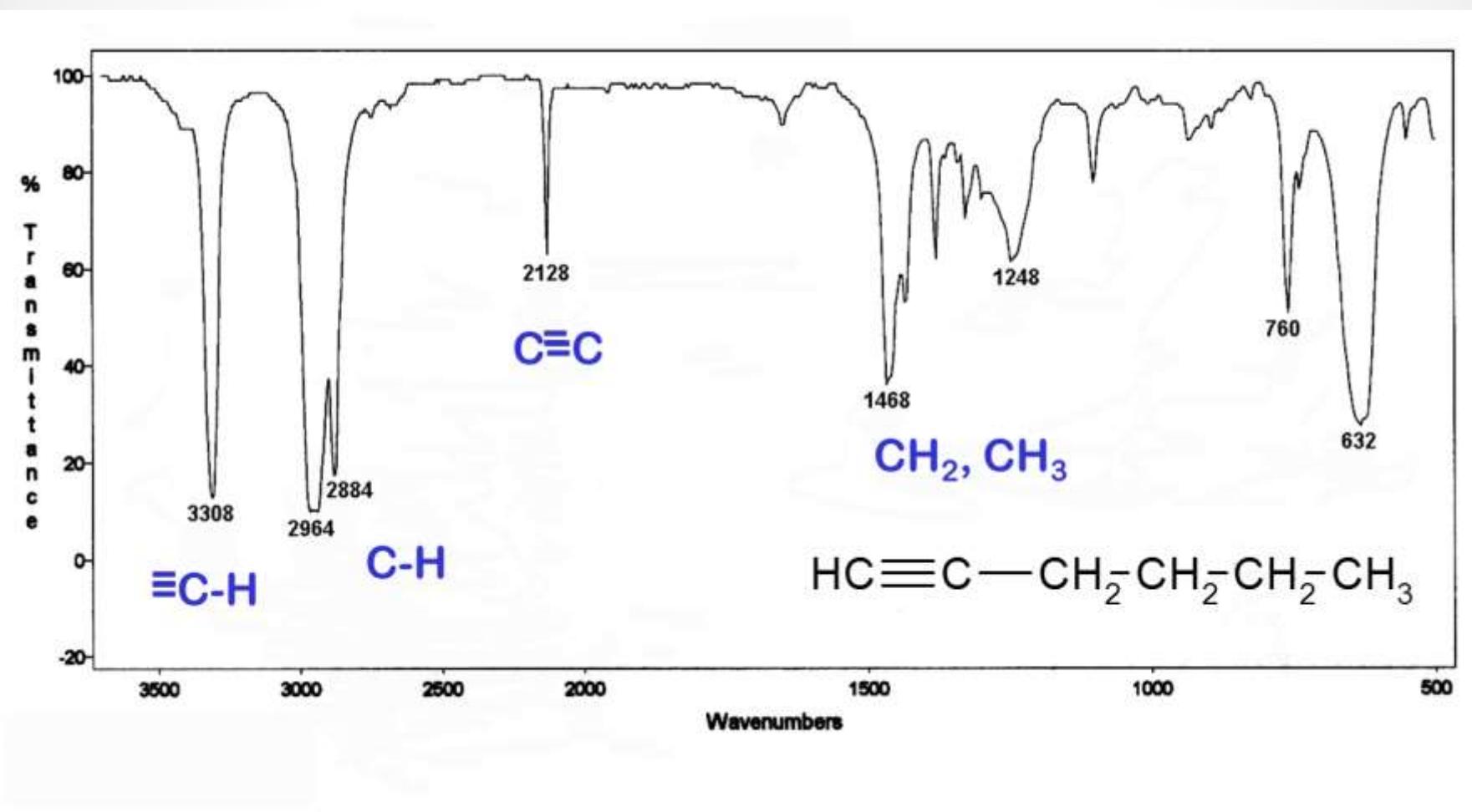


- The cyano group often gives a strong, sharp peak due to its large dipole moment.
- The carbon-carbon triple bond gives a sharp peak, but it is often weak due to a lack of a dipole.

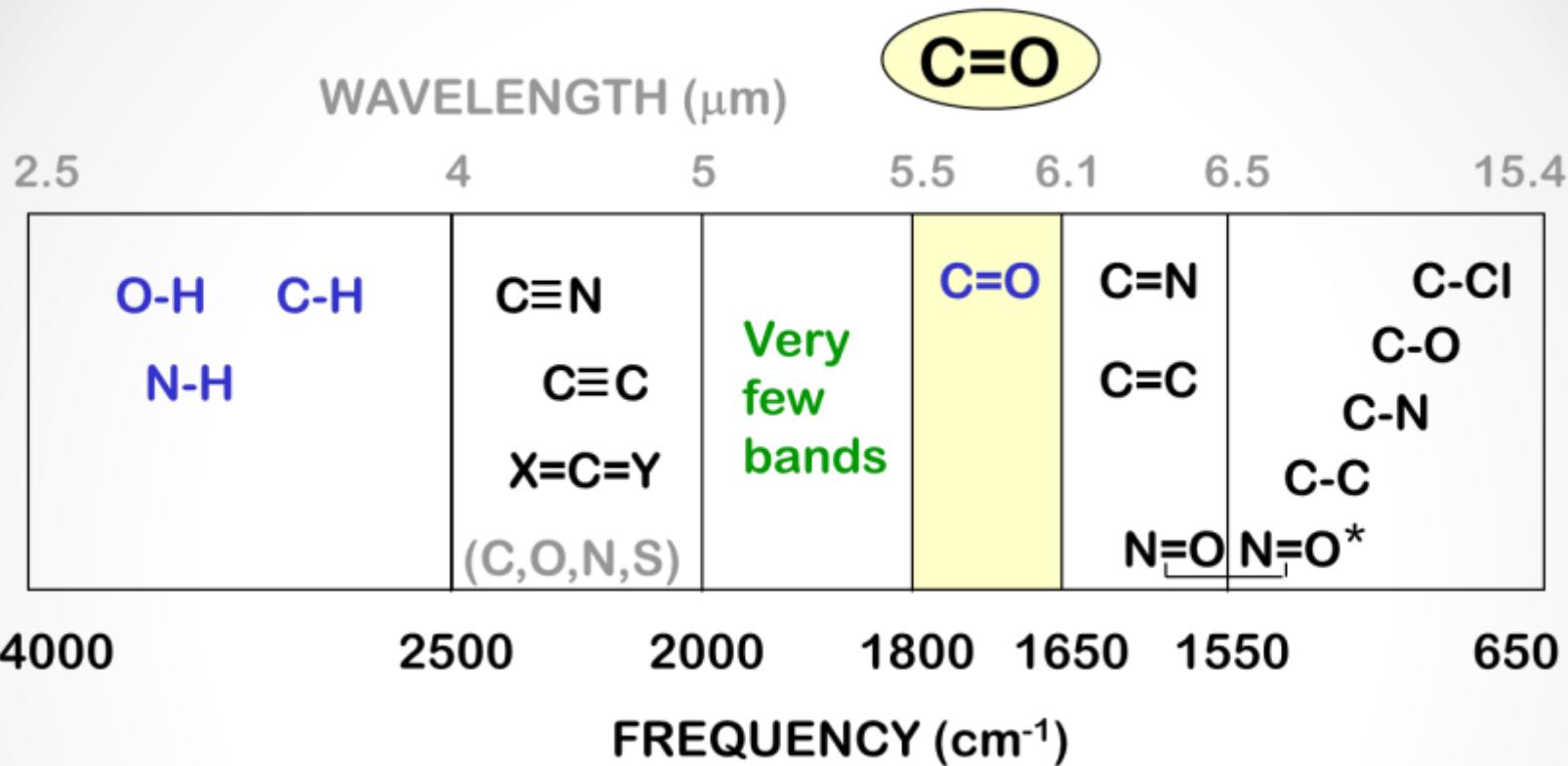
Propanenitrile



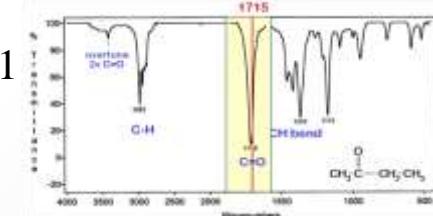
1-Hexyne



The Carbonyl Stretching Region

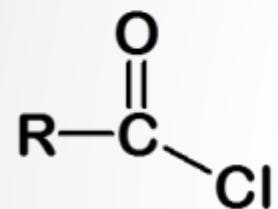


- This region stretches from about 1800 to 1650 cm^{-1}
- The **base value** is 1715 cm^{-1} (ketone).
- The bands are **very strong** !!! due to the large C=O dipole moment.
- C=O is often one of the strongest peaks in the spectrum.



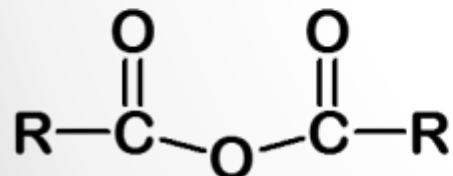
C=O is sensitive to its environment.

acid
chloride



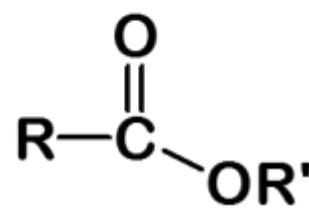
1800

anhydride



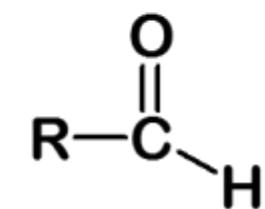
1810 and 1760
(two peaks)

ester



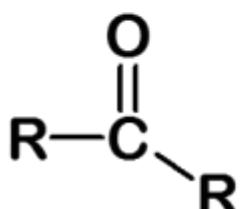
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aldehyde



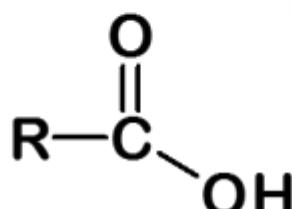
1725

ketone



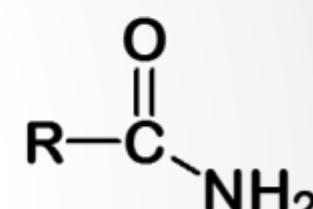
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carboxylic
acid



1710

amide

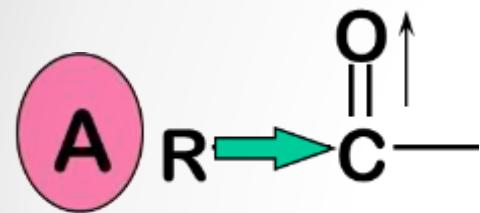


1690

BASE
VALUE

Factors that influence the C=O absorption

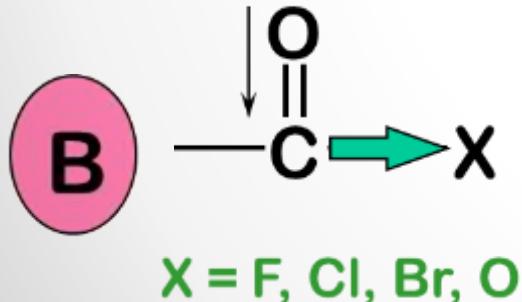
Inductive and Resonance effects on the Carbonyl Frequency



$\text{R} = \text{Me, Et, etc.}$

Electron-donating groups
weaken the carbonyl and

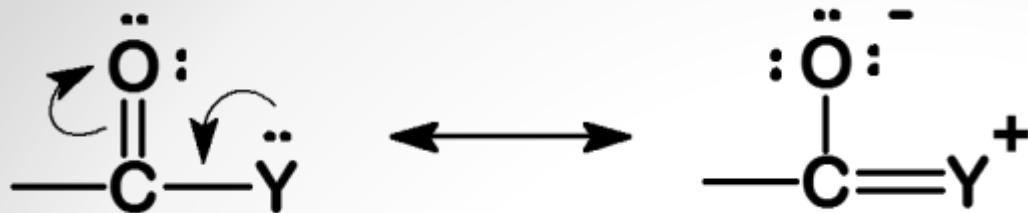
lower its absorption frequency



$\text{X} = \text{F, Cl, Br, O}$

Electron-withdrawing groups
strengthen the carbonyl and

raise its absorption frequency

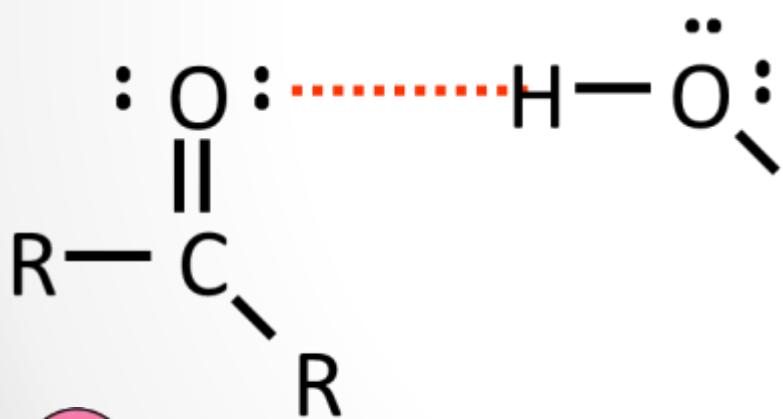


C

$Y = N, O, \text{ or } C=C$

Resonance
weakens the carbonyl and

↓
lowers its absorption frequency

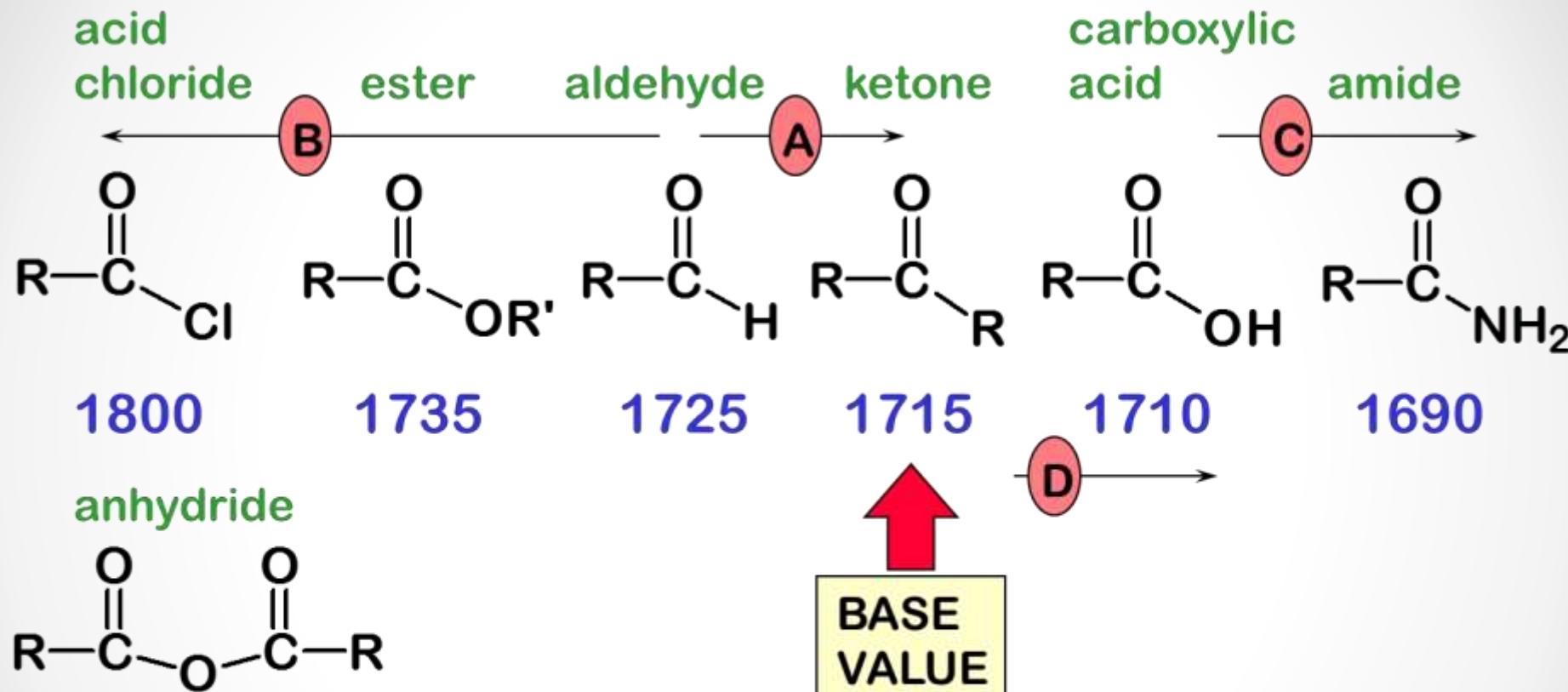


D

Hydrogen bonding
lengthens and weakens
the C=O bond and

↓
lowers its absorption frequency

How the Factors affect C=O

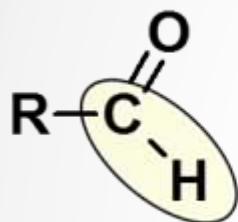


1810 and 1760
(two peaks)

- A E-donating ↓
- B E-withdrawing ↑
- C Resonance ↓
- D H-bonding ↓

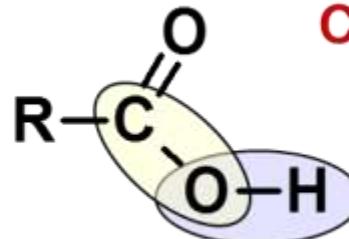
Confirmation of Functional group

- Every type of carbonyl compound has other places you can look to confirm your conclusion based on frequency alone.



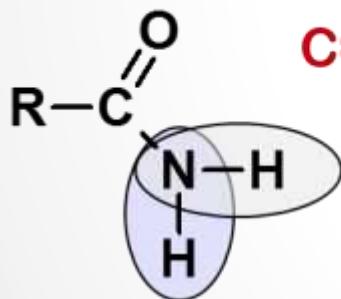
C=O at 1725 cm^{-1}

also look for aldehyde CH
2850 and 2750 cm^{-1}



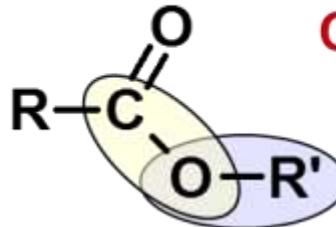
C=O at 1710 cm^{-1}

also look for OH
(H-bonded) and
C-O $\sim 1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$



C=O at 1690 cm^{-1}

also look for two
NH peaks at
 3400 cm^{-1}



C=O at 1735 cm^{-1}

also look for two
C-O at 1200 and
 1000 cm^{-1}

Ketones have **C=O at 1715 cm^{-1}** and no NH, OH, C-O or -CHO

Anhydrides have **two C=O peaks near 1800 cm^{-1}** and two C-O

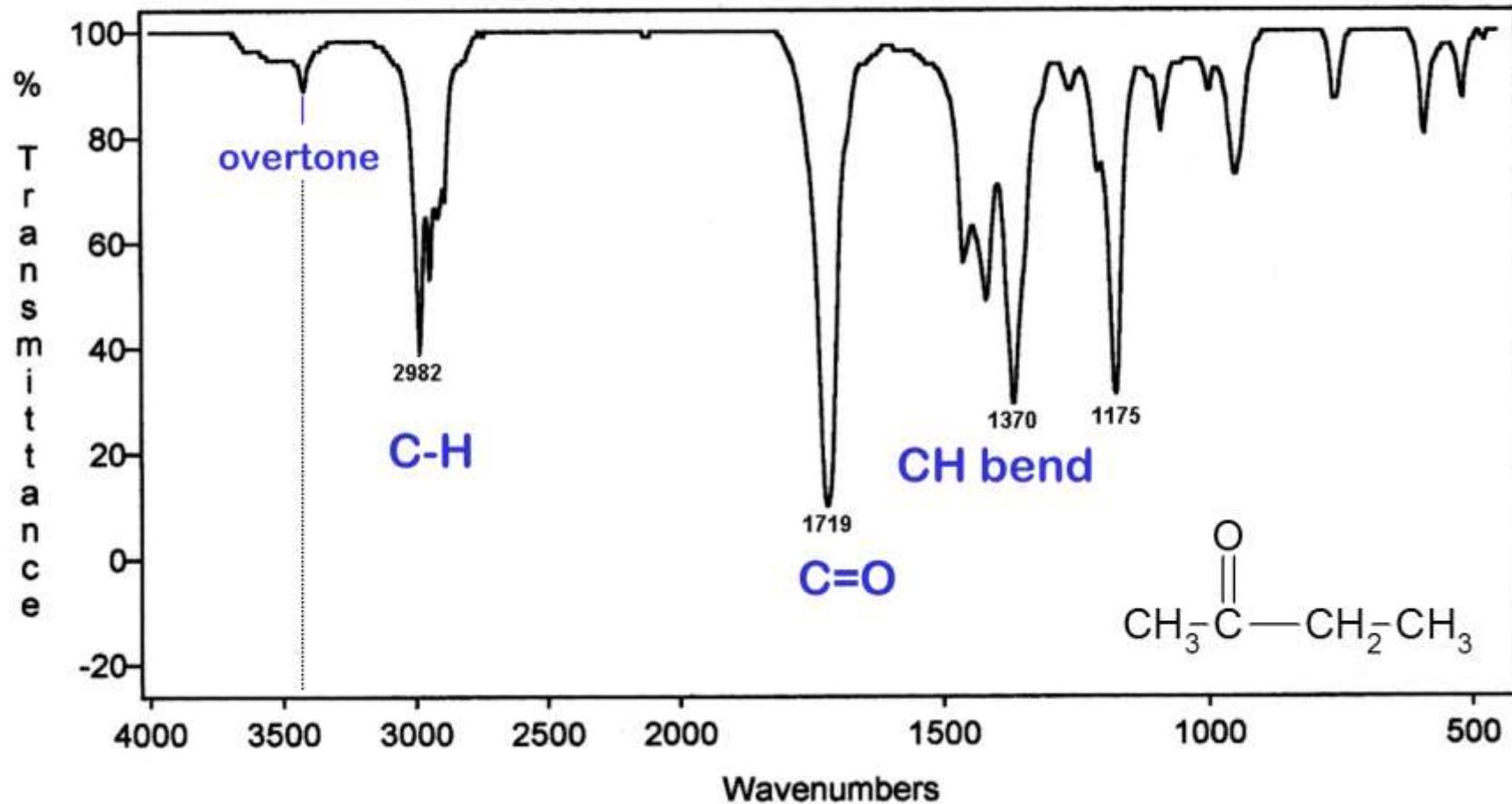
overtone of strong C=O peak
1719 x 2 = 3438

Ketone

Base = 1715



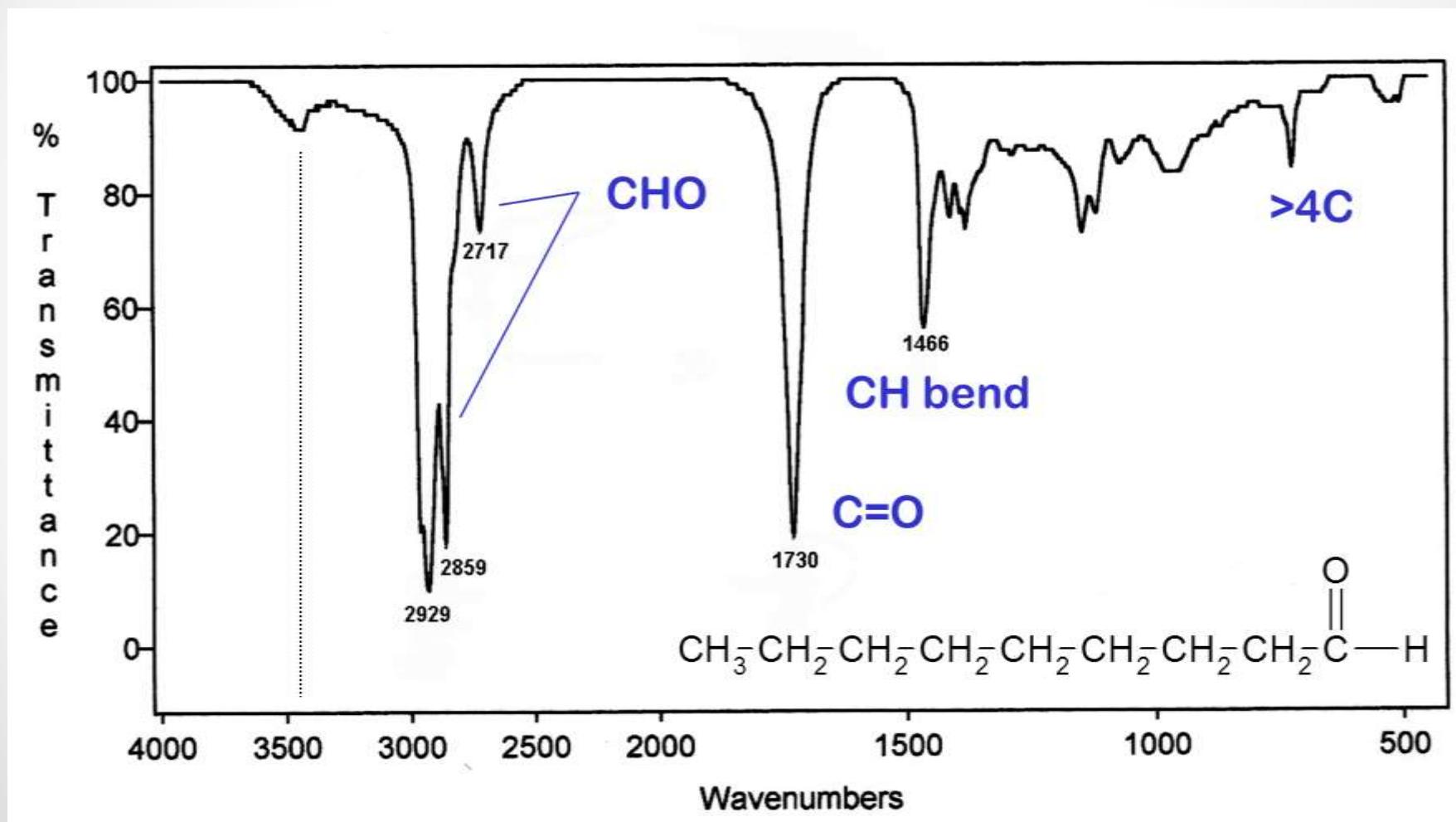
2-Butanone



3438

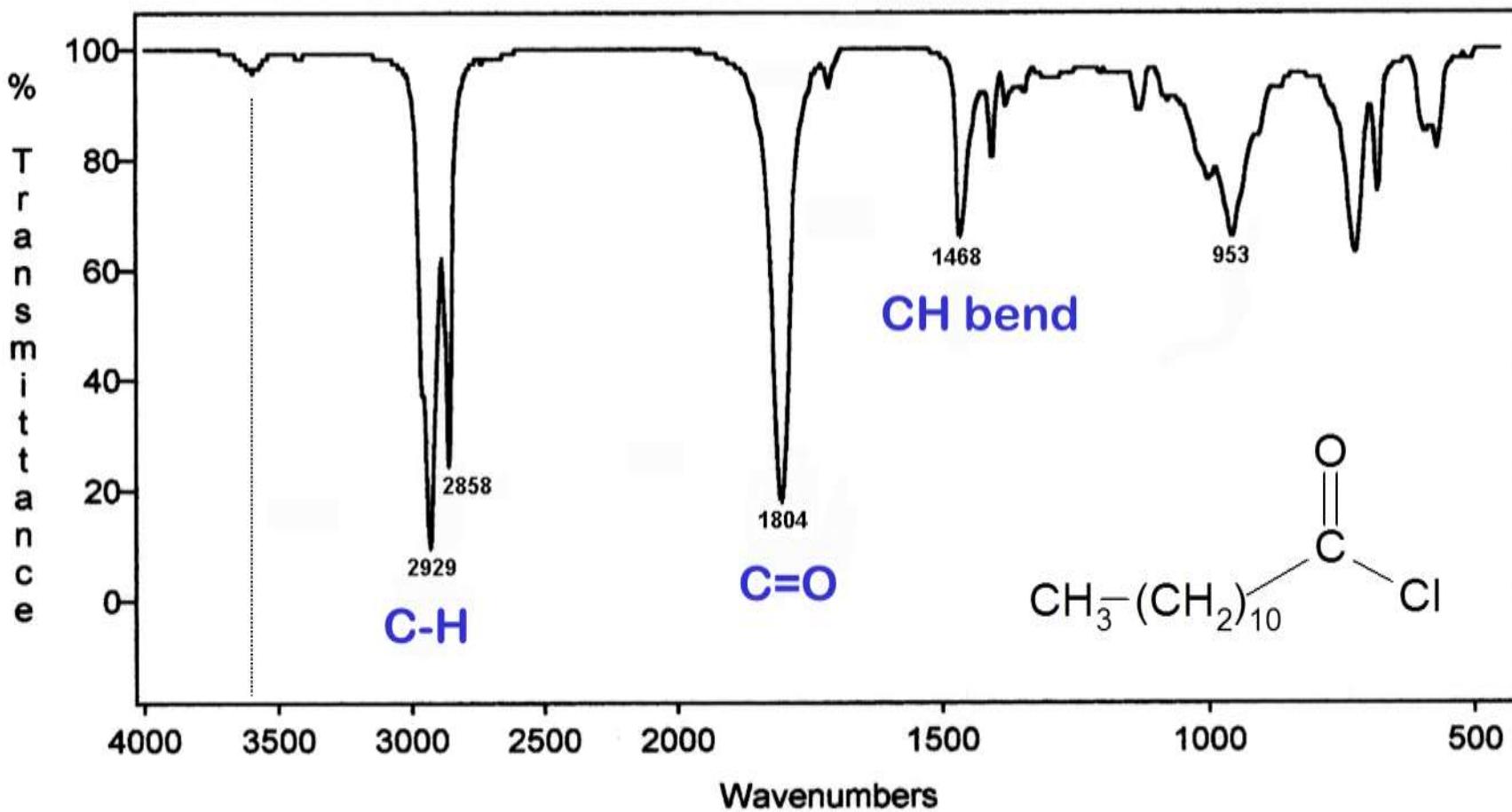
Aldehyde
Base = 1725

Nonanal



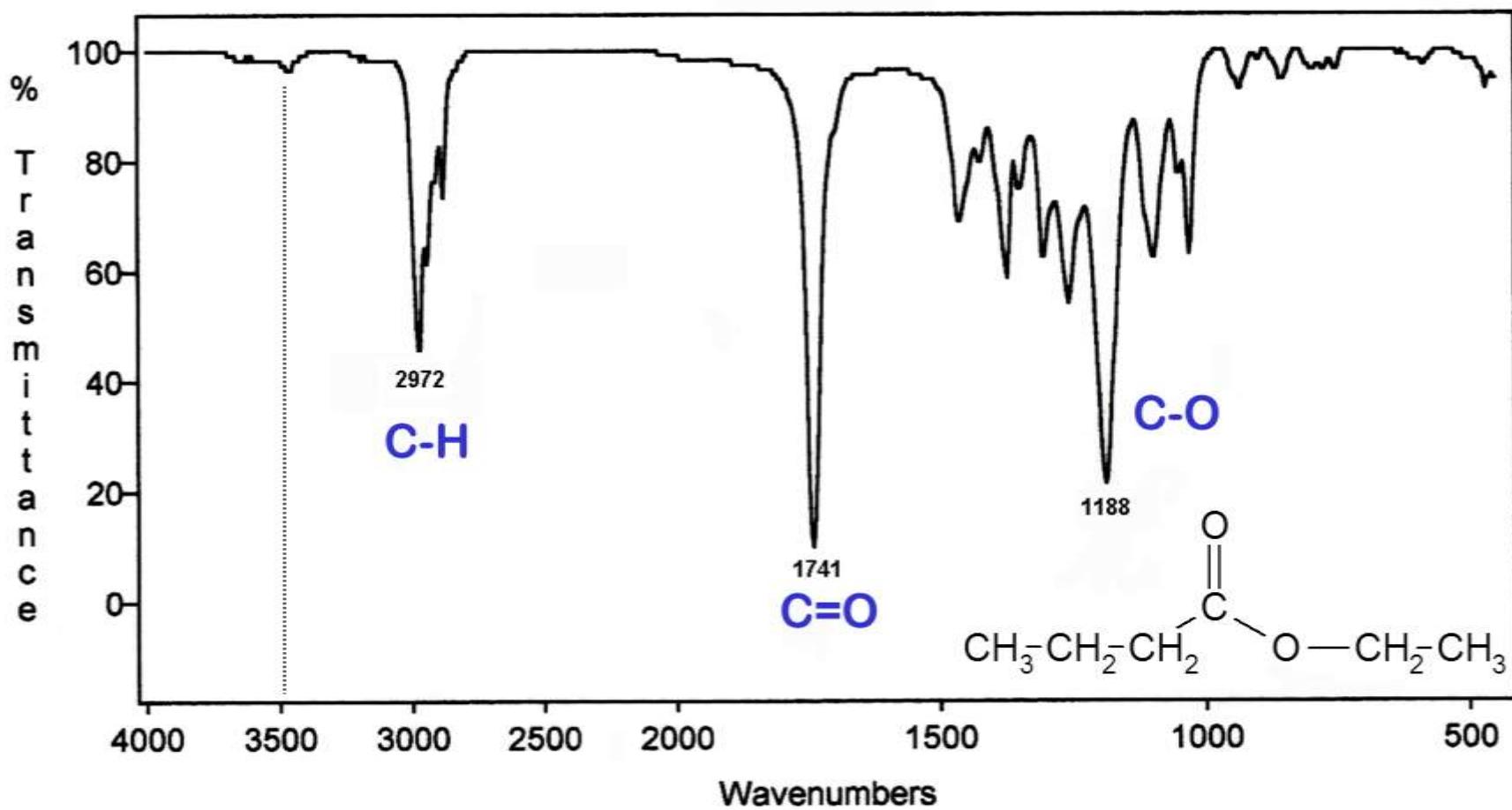
Acid Chloride
Base = 1800

Dodecanoyl Chloride



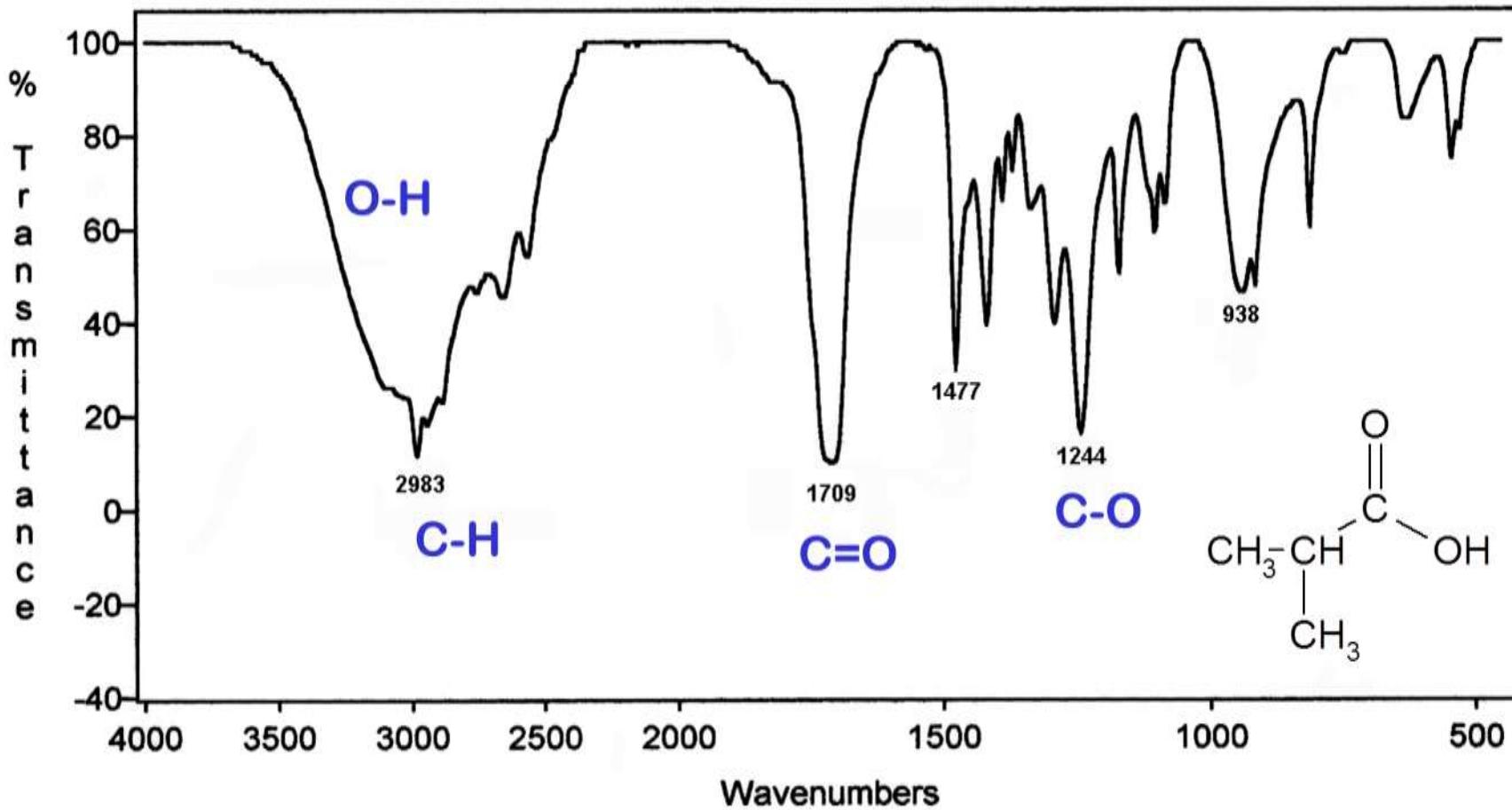
Ester
Base = 1735

Ethyl Butanoate



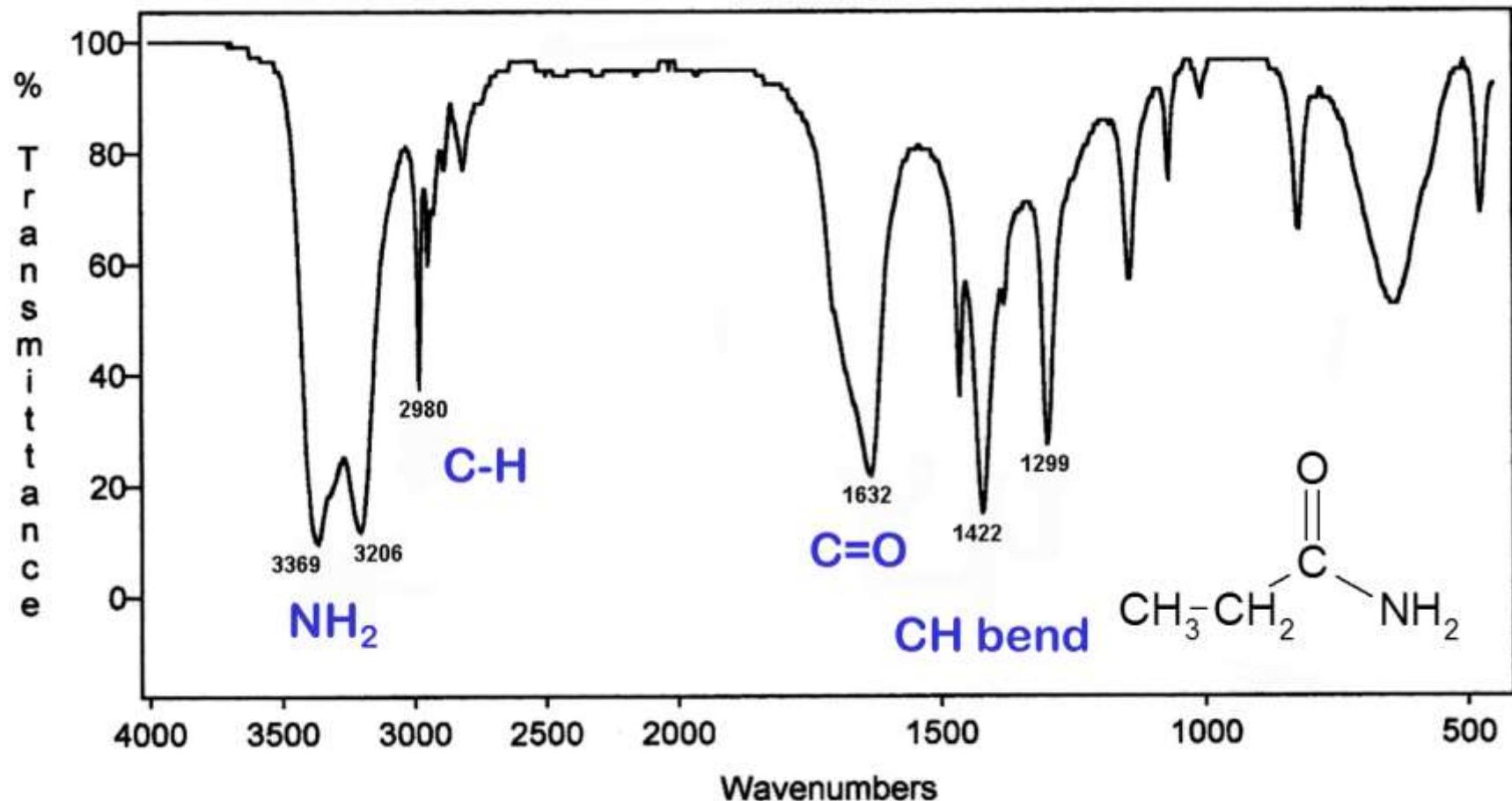
Carboxylic acid
Base = 1710

2-Methylpropanoic Acid



Amide
Base = 1690

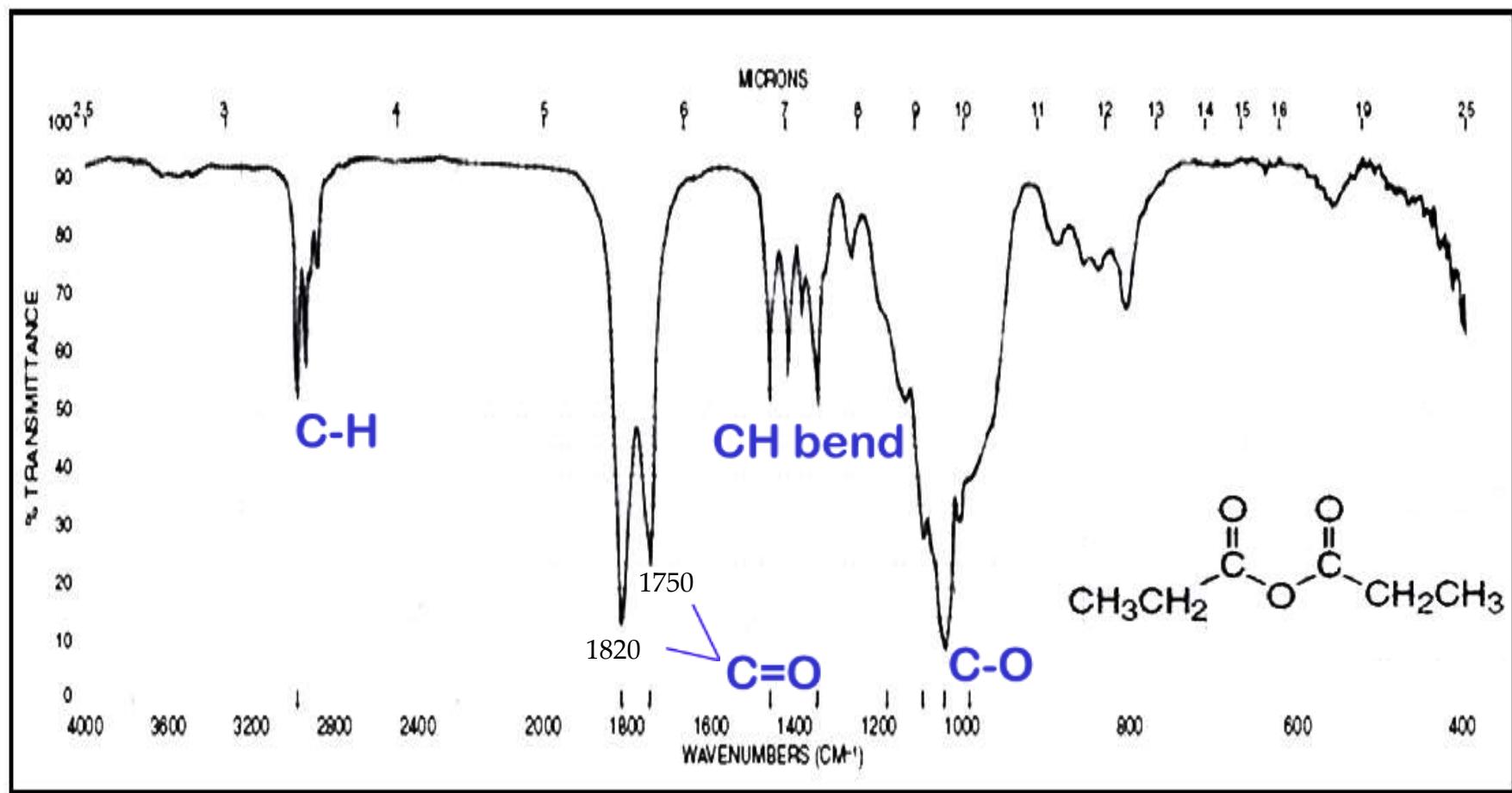
Propanamide



Anhydride

Base = 1810 and 1760

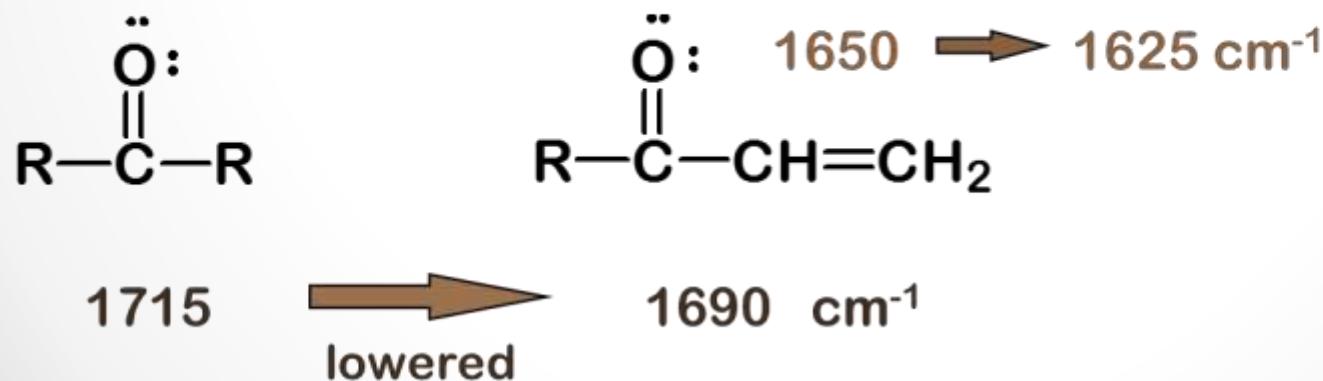
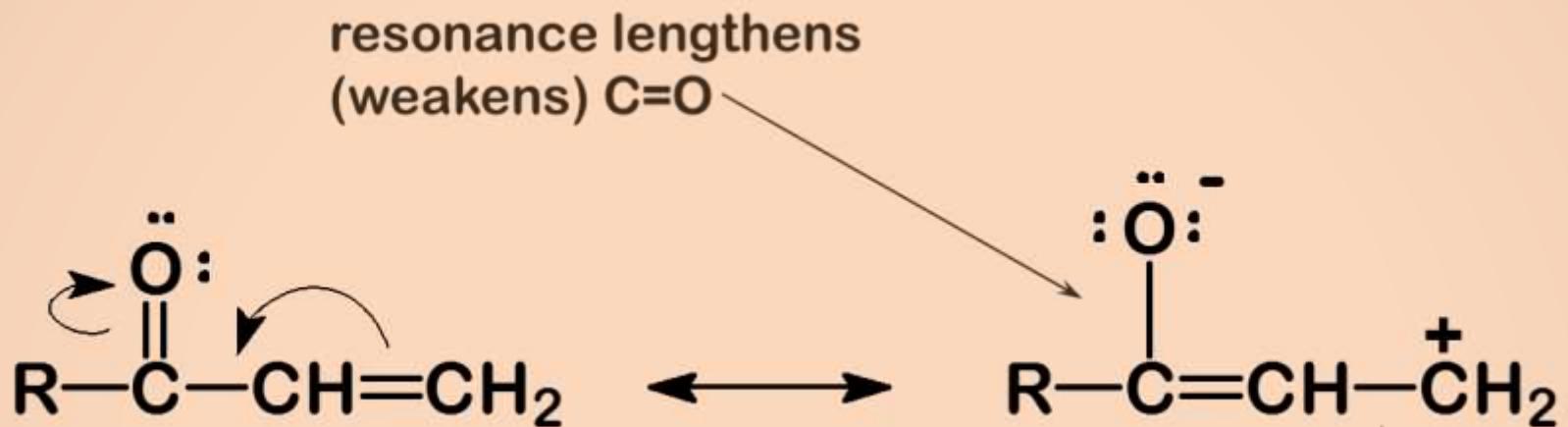
Propionic anhydride



Conjugation of C=O with C=C

C=O 1715
C=C 1650

- Conjugation of a carbonyl with a C=C bond shifts values to lower frequencies.
- For aldehydes, ketones and esters, subtract about 25-30 cm⁻¹ for conjugation with C=O.
- Conjugated ketone = 1690 to 1680 cm⁻¹
- Conjugated ester = 1710 to 1700 cm⁻¹
- C=C becomes quite strong!!



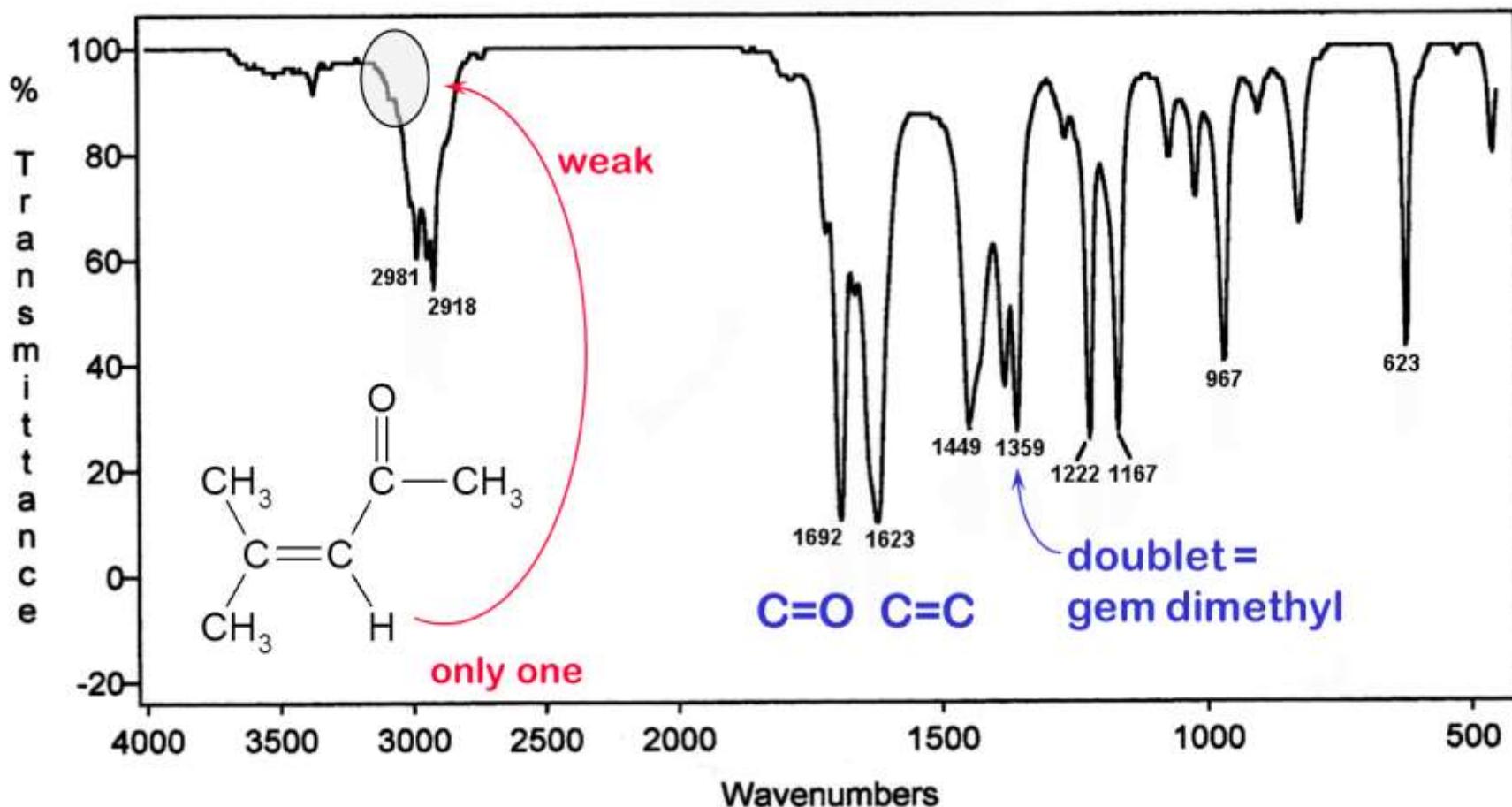
C=C is also
lengthened
(weakened)
..... and
polarized !

$$\text{C=O} : 1715 - 30 = 1685$$

$$\text{C=C} : 1650 - 25 = 1625$$

Ketone conjugated

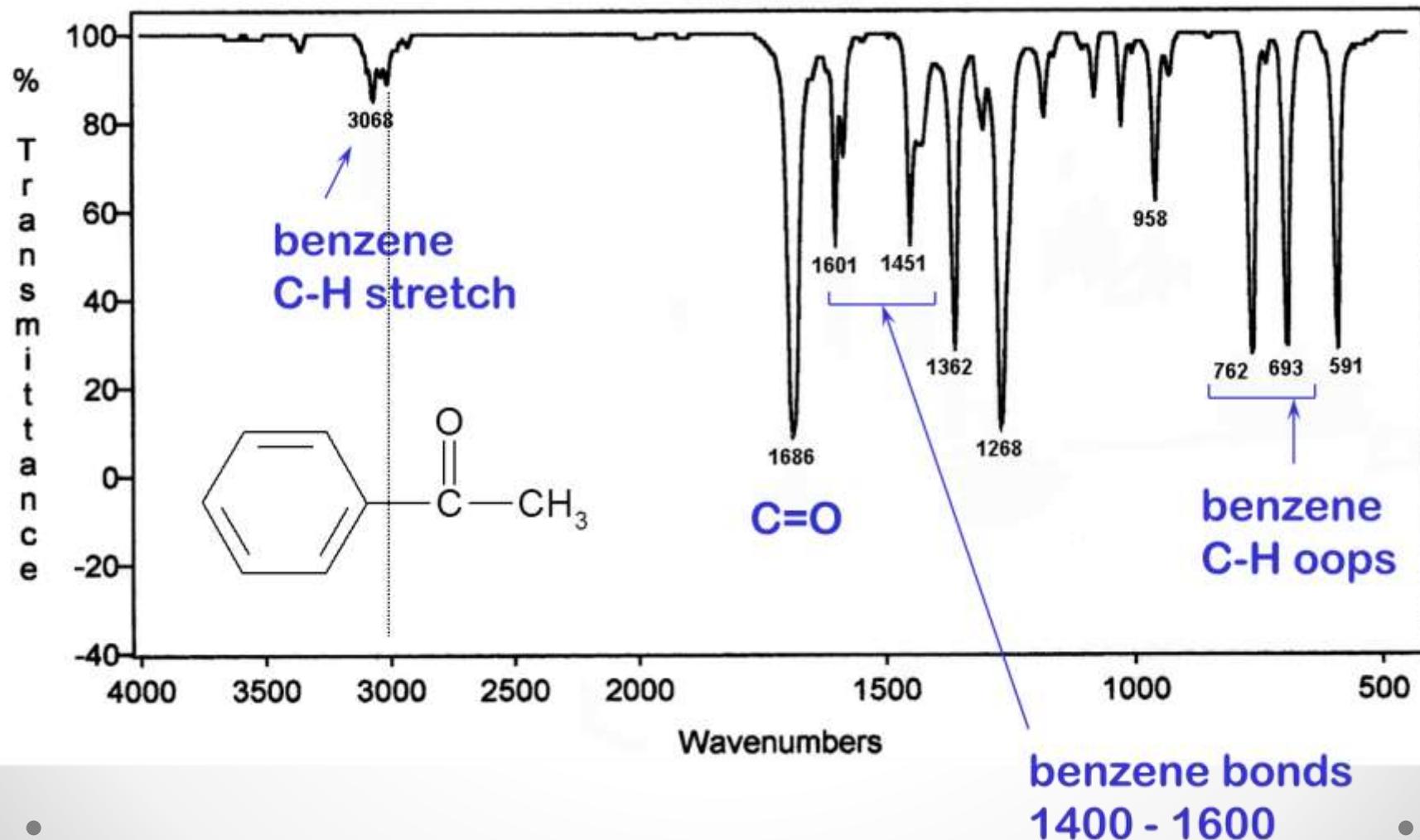
4-Methyl-3-penten-2-one



$$\text{C=O} : 1715 - 30 = 1685$$

Aromatic Ketone conjugated

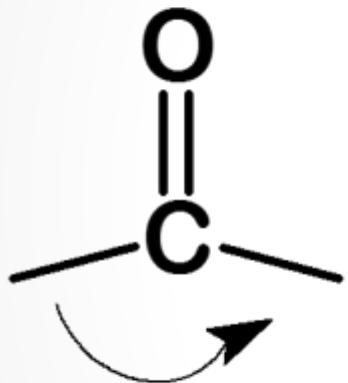
Acetophenone



Angle Strain raises The Carbonyl Frequency

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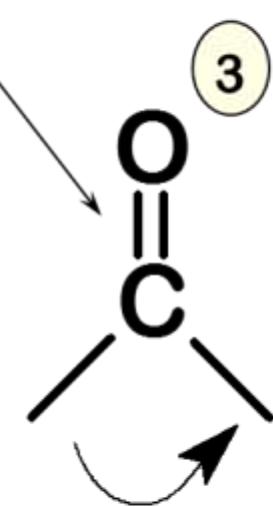
In response to more p character in the ring bonds, there is more s character in the bonds to C=O.



120° angle
is normal

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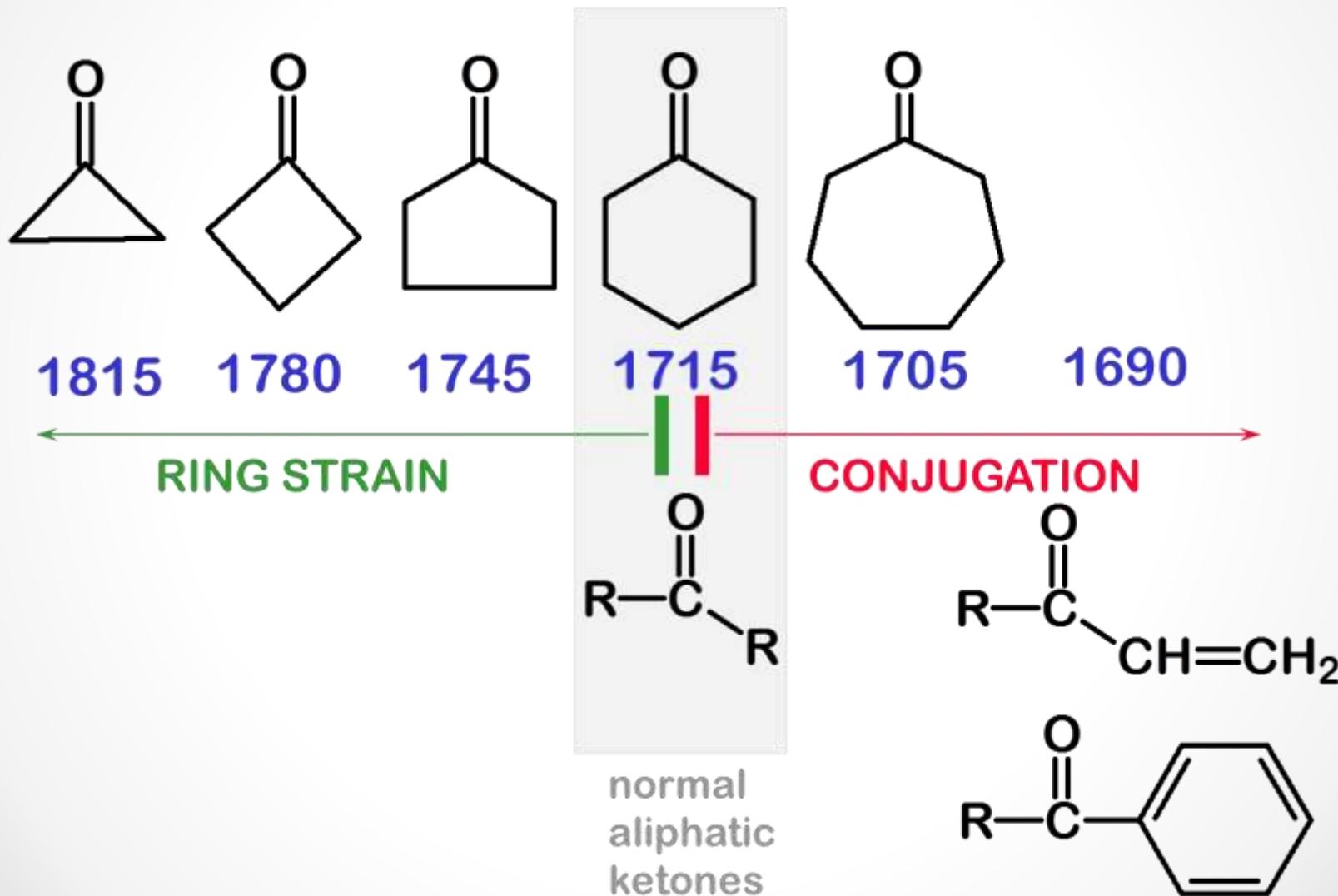
A smaller angle requires more p character in the hybrids forming the ring.



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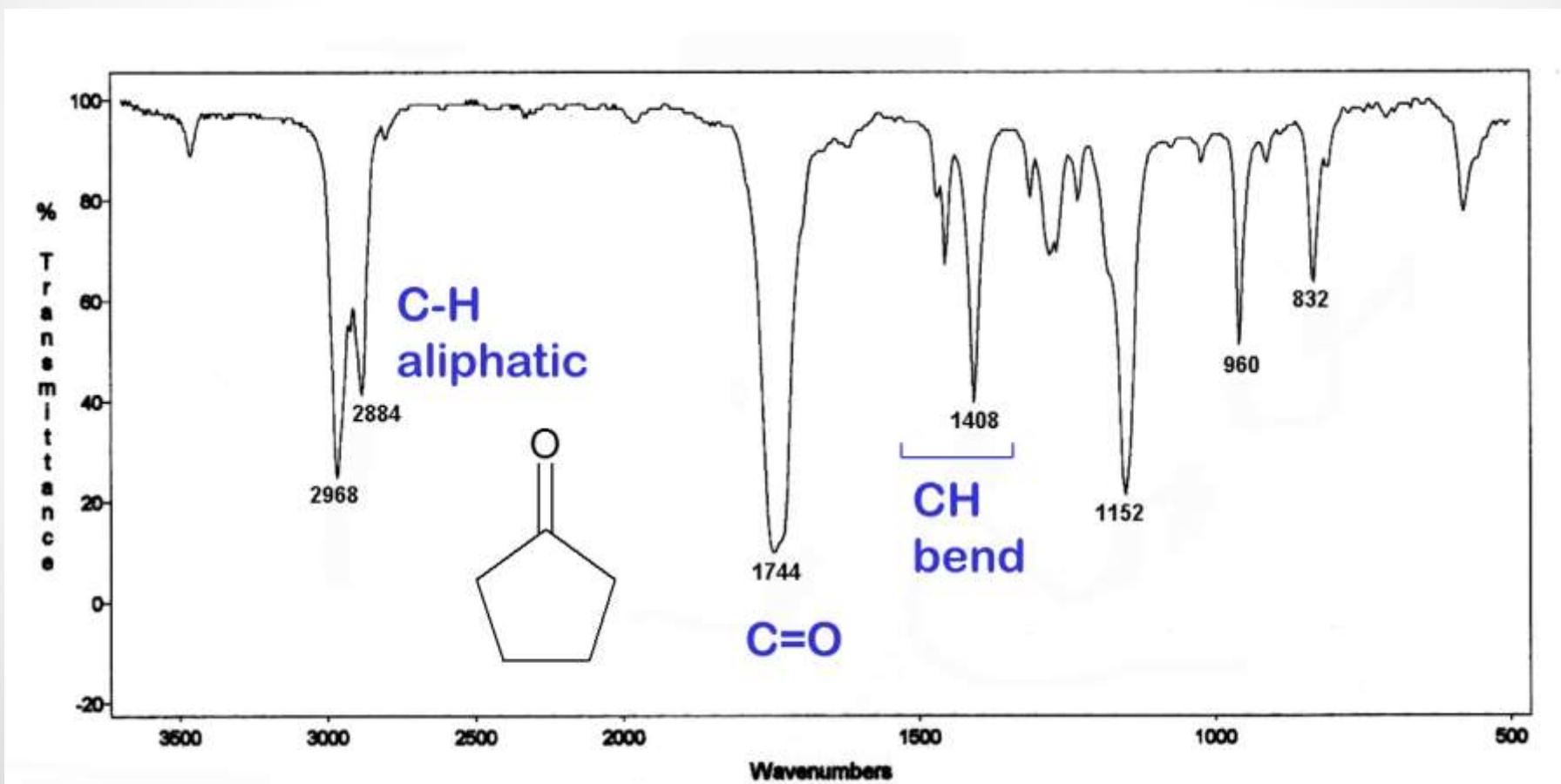
More s character leads to a shorter and stronger bond and a higher frequency.

Conjugation and Ring Size Effects

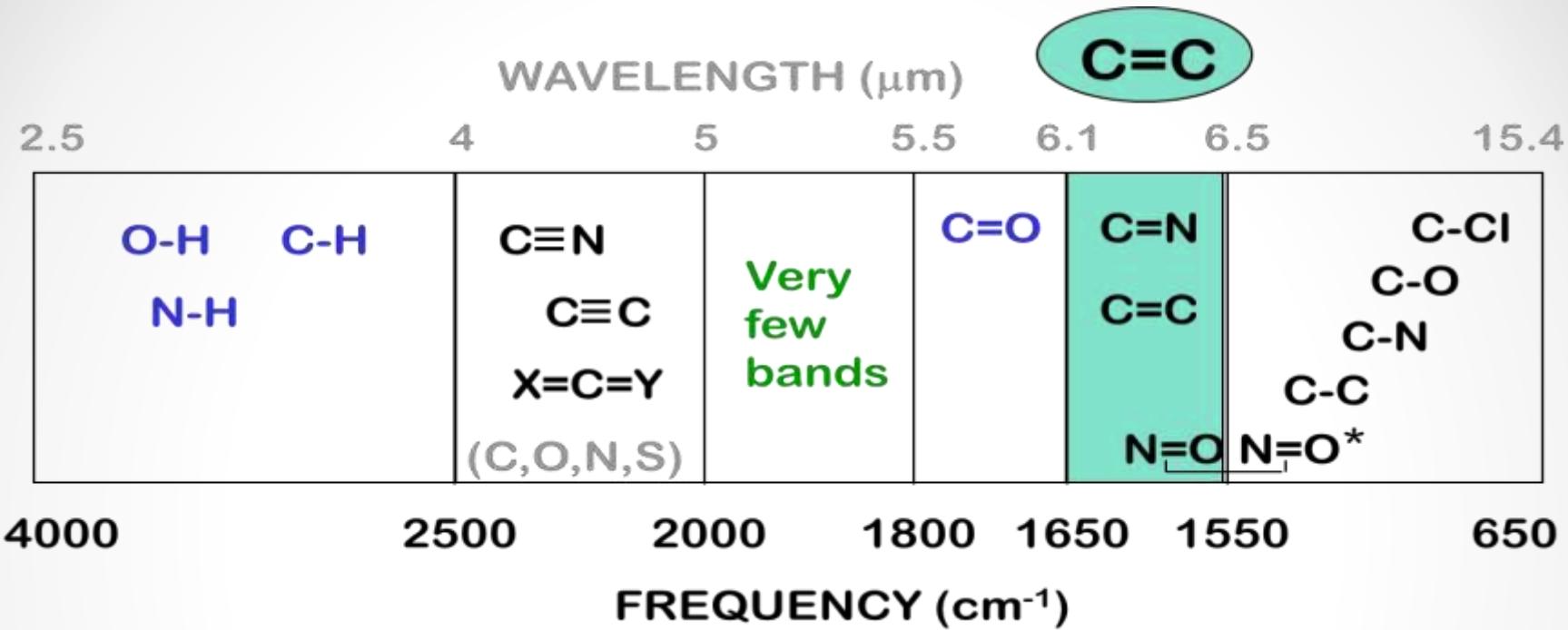


Cyclic Ketone 5-ring

Cyclopentanone



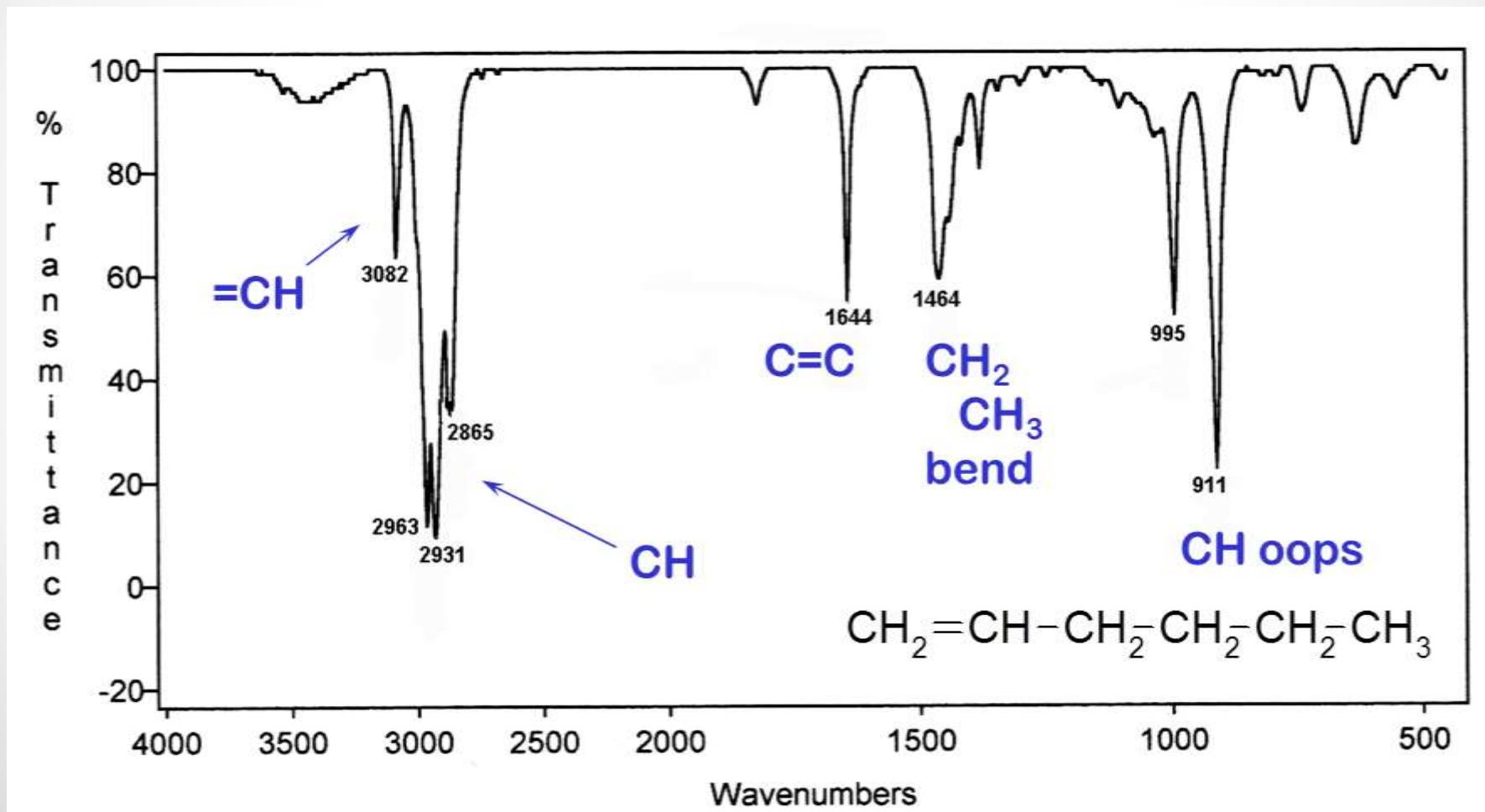
The C=C stretching region



- C=C double bond at 1650 cm^{-1} is often weak or not even seen.
- C=C benzene ring shows peak(s) near 1600 and 1475 cm^{-1} , one or two at each value - **Conjugation lowers the value**.
- When C=C is conjugated with C=O it is stronger and comes at a lower frequency.

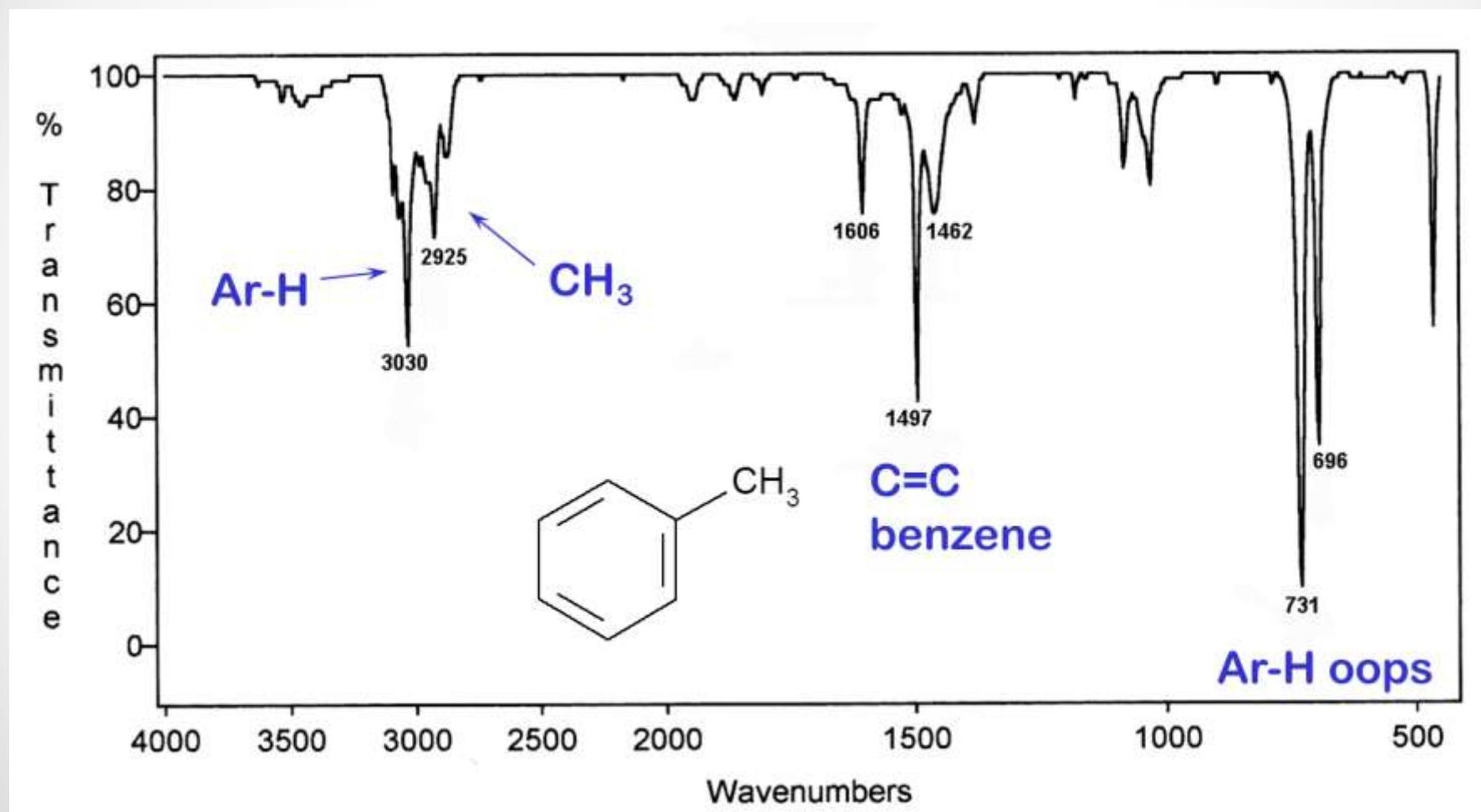
Alkene

1-Hexene

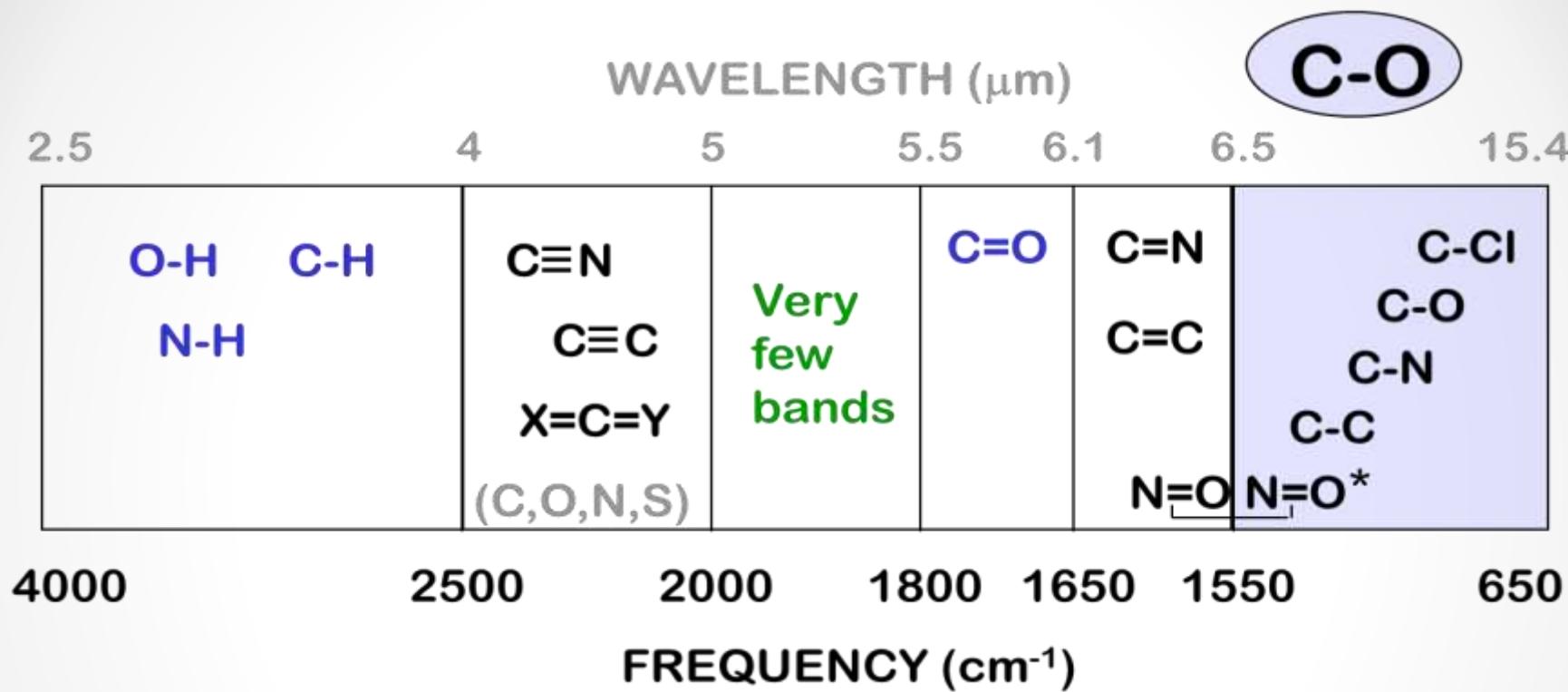


Aromatic

Toluene



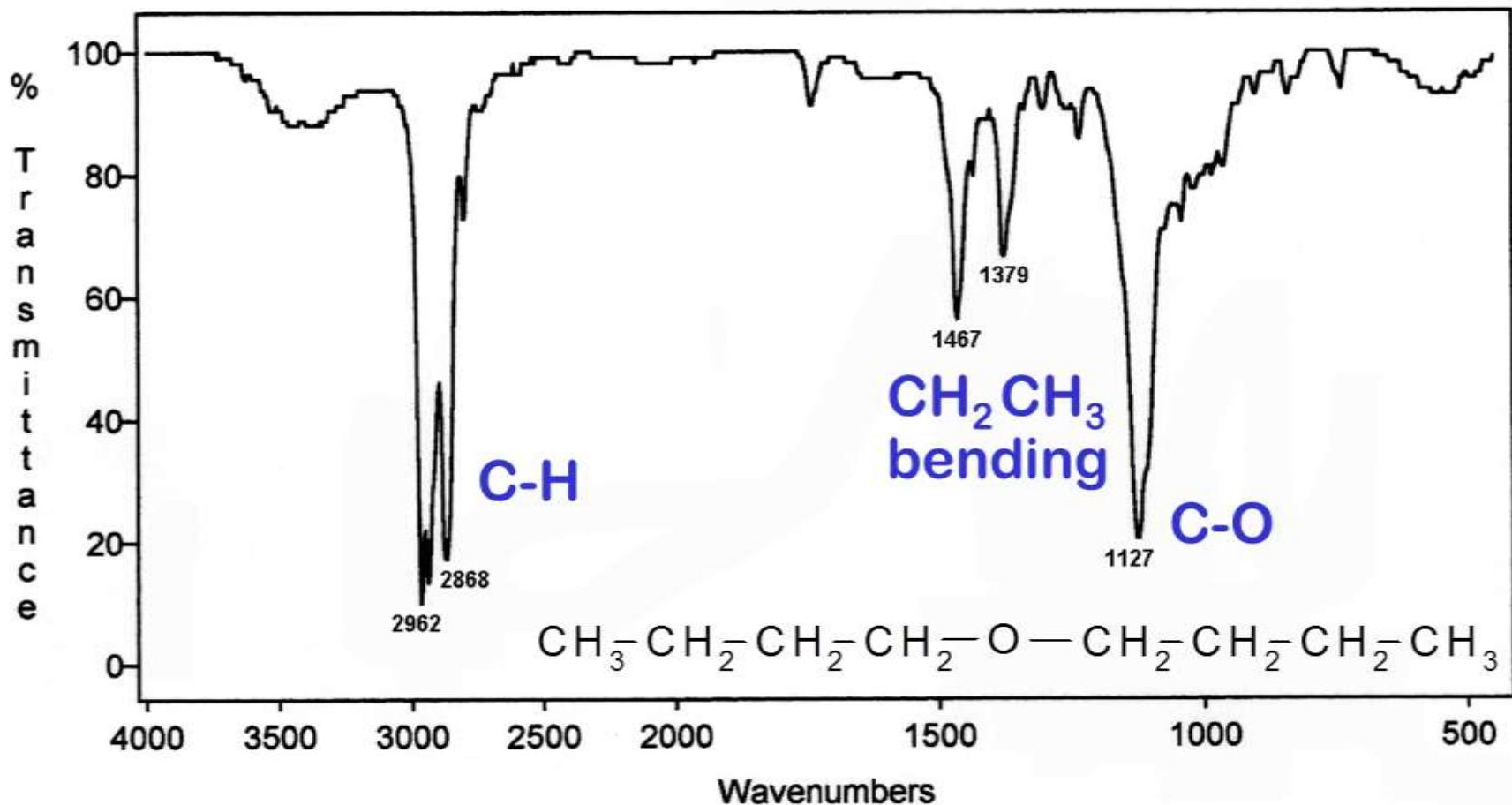
The C-O stretching region



- The C-O band appears in the range of 1300 to 1000 cm^{-1} .
- Look for one or more strong bands appearing in this range!
- Ethers, alcohols, esters and carboxylic acids have C-O bands.

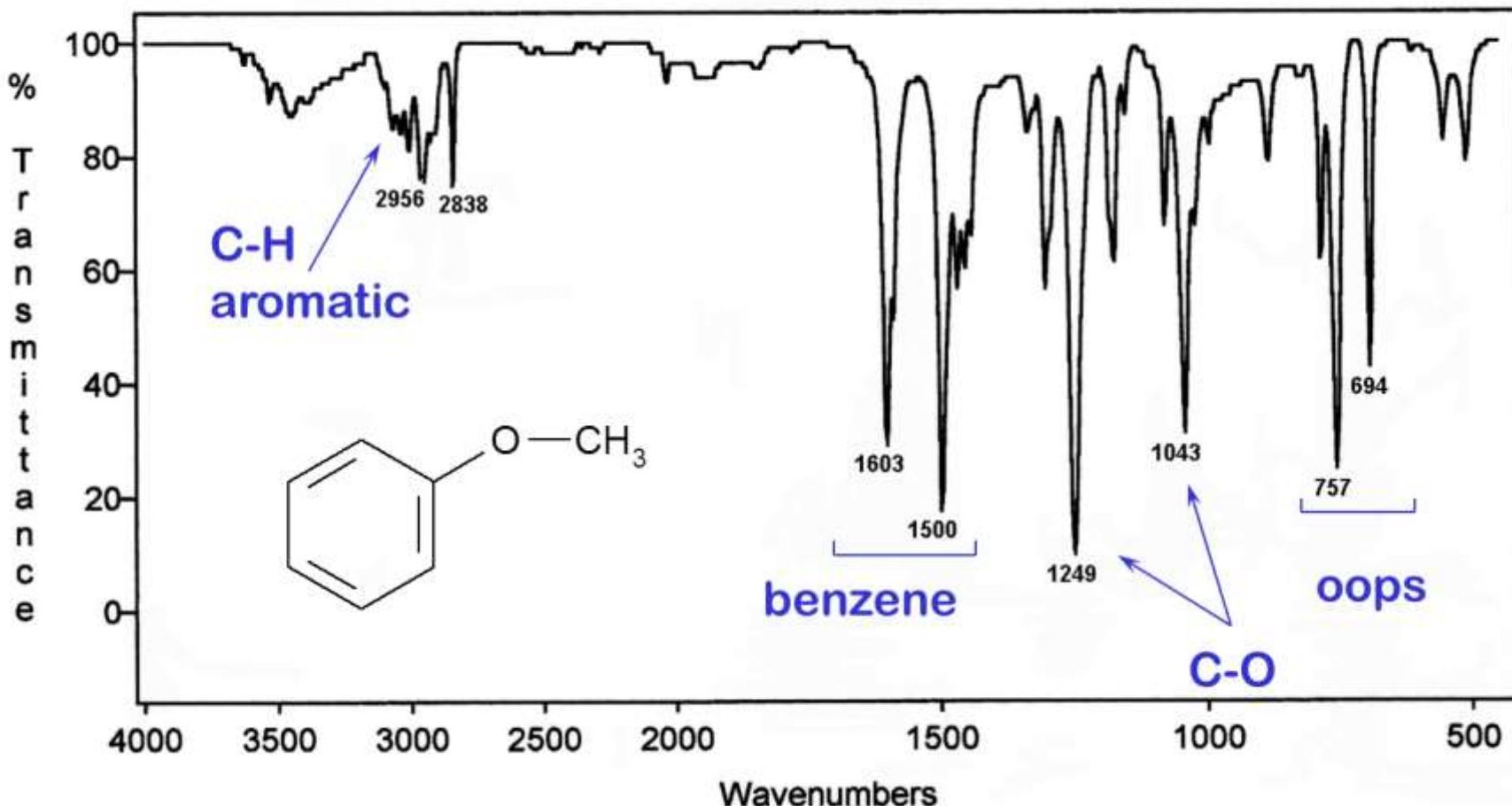
Ether
Base = 1100

Dibutyl Ether



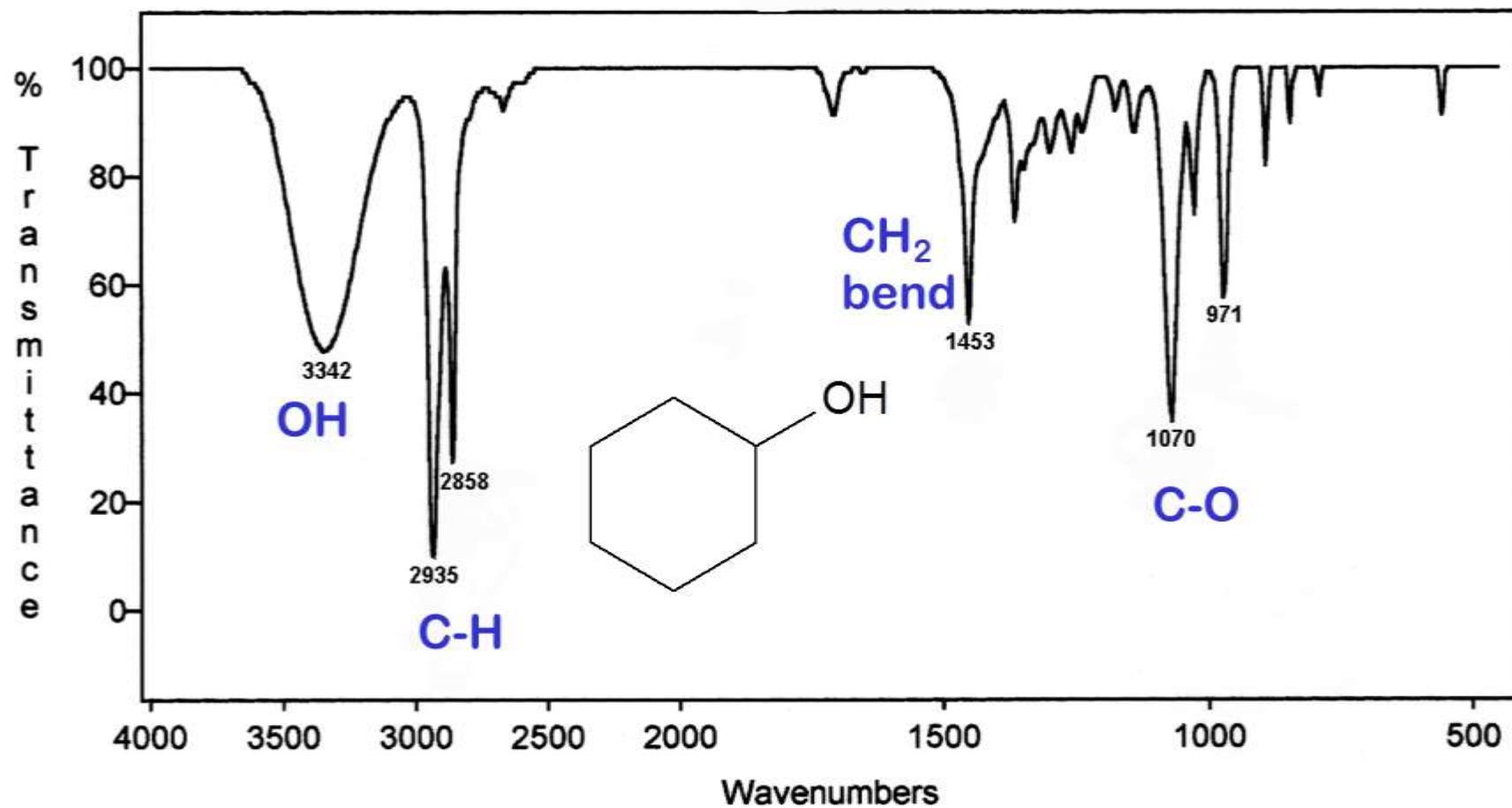
Aromatic Ether Base = 1100

Anisole



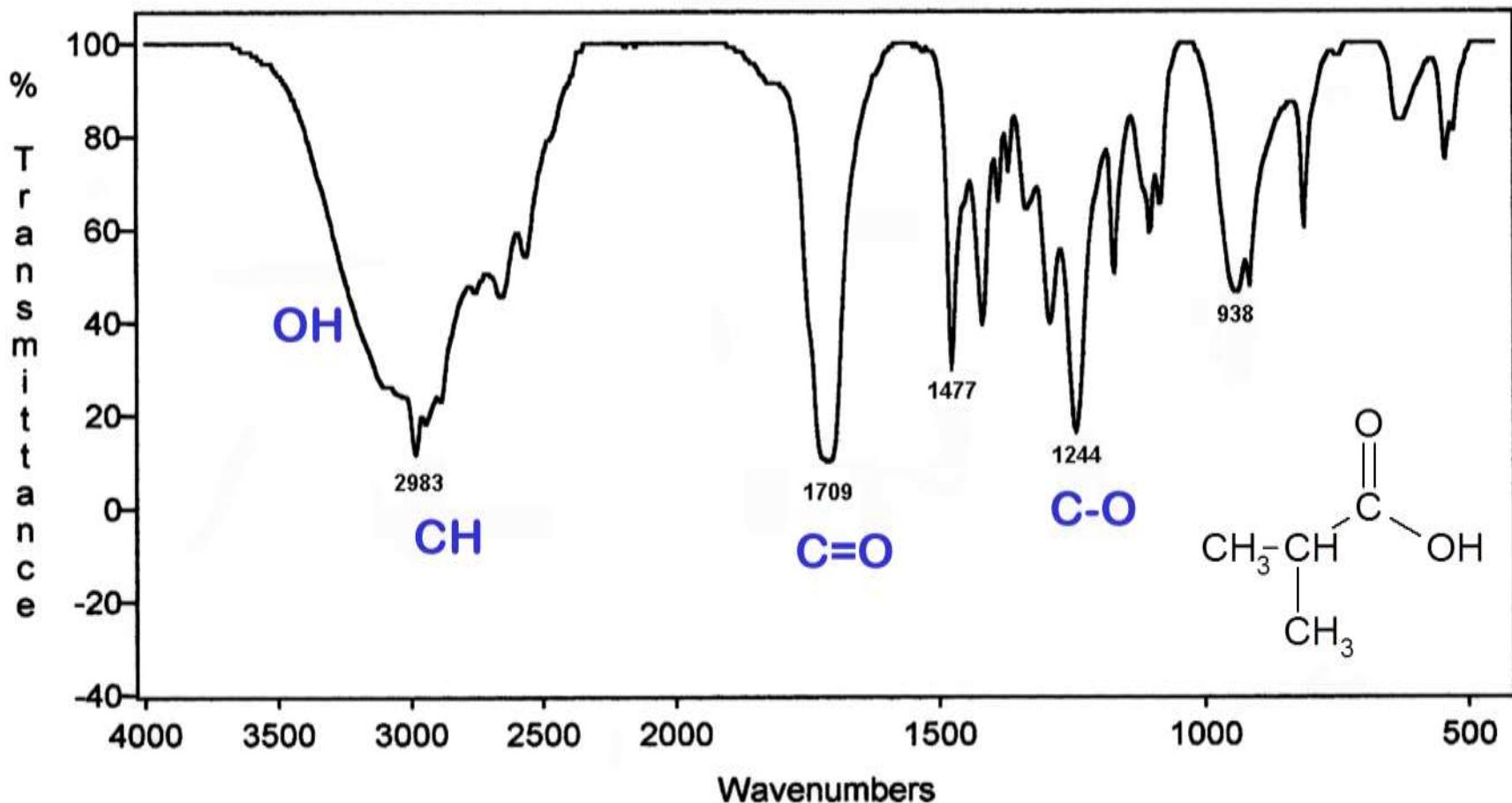
Alcohol
Base = 3600
Base = 1100

Cyclohexanol



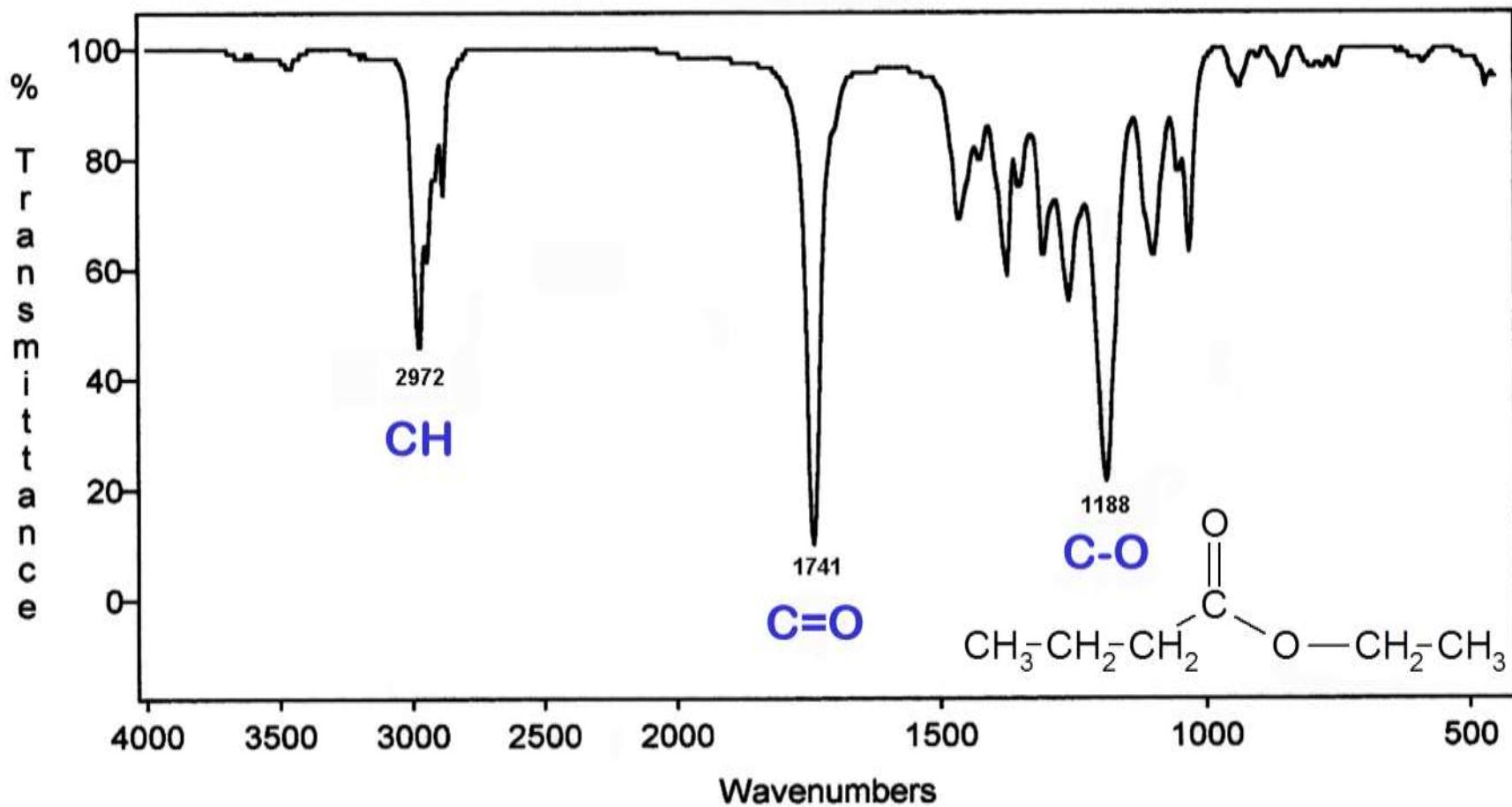
Carboxylic acid

2-Methylpropanoic Acid

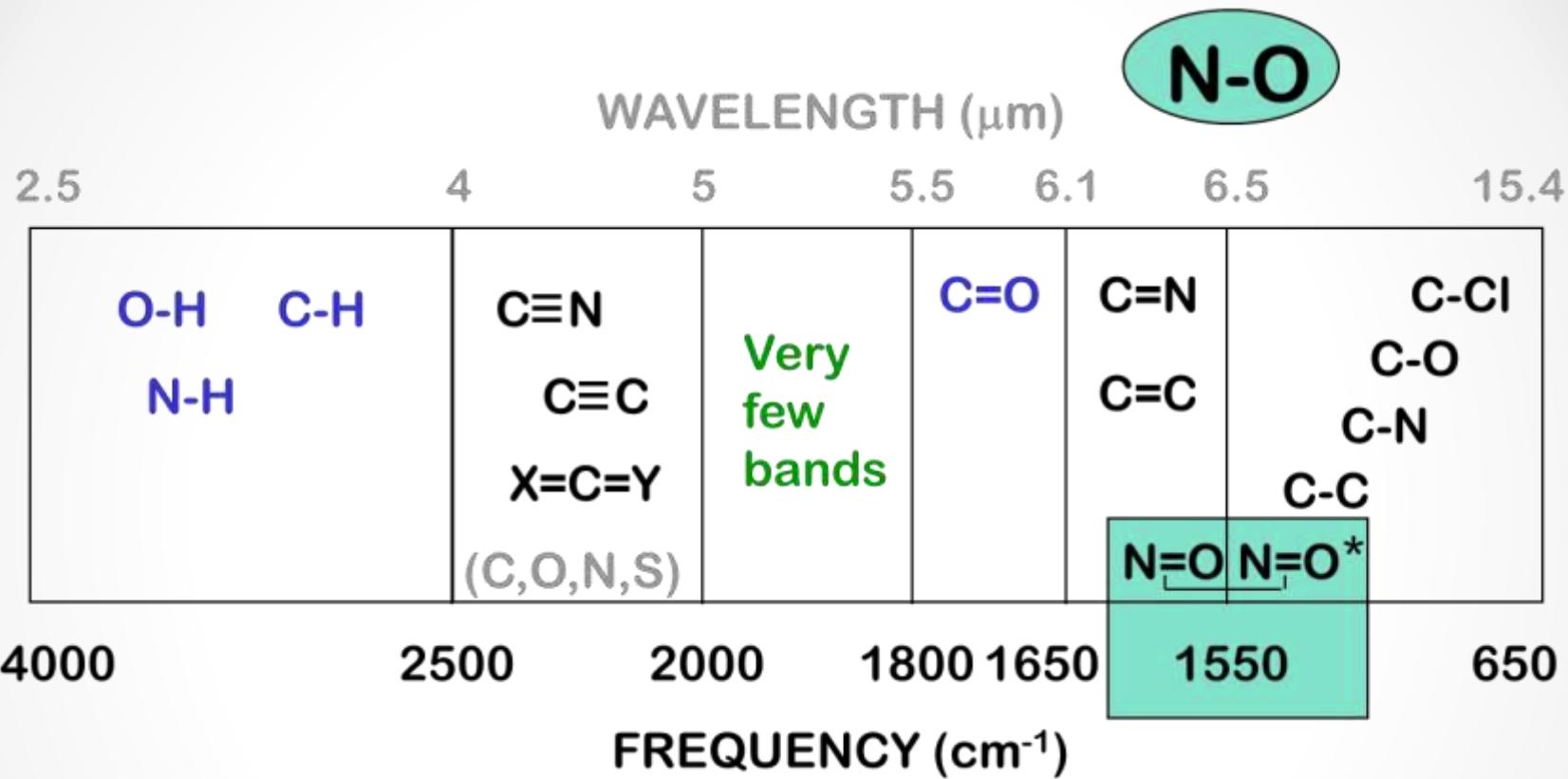


Ester

Ethyl Butanoate



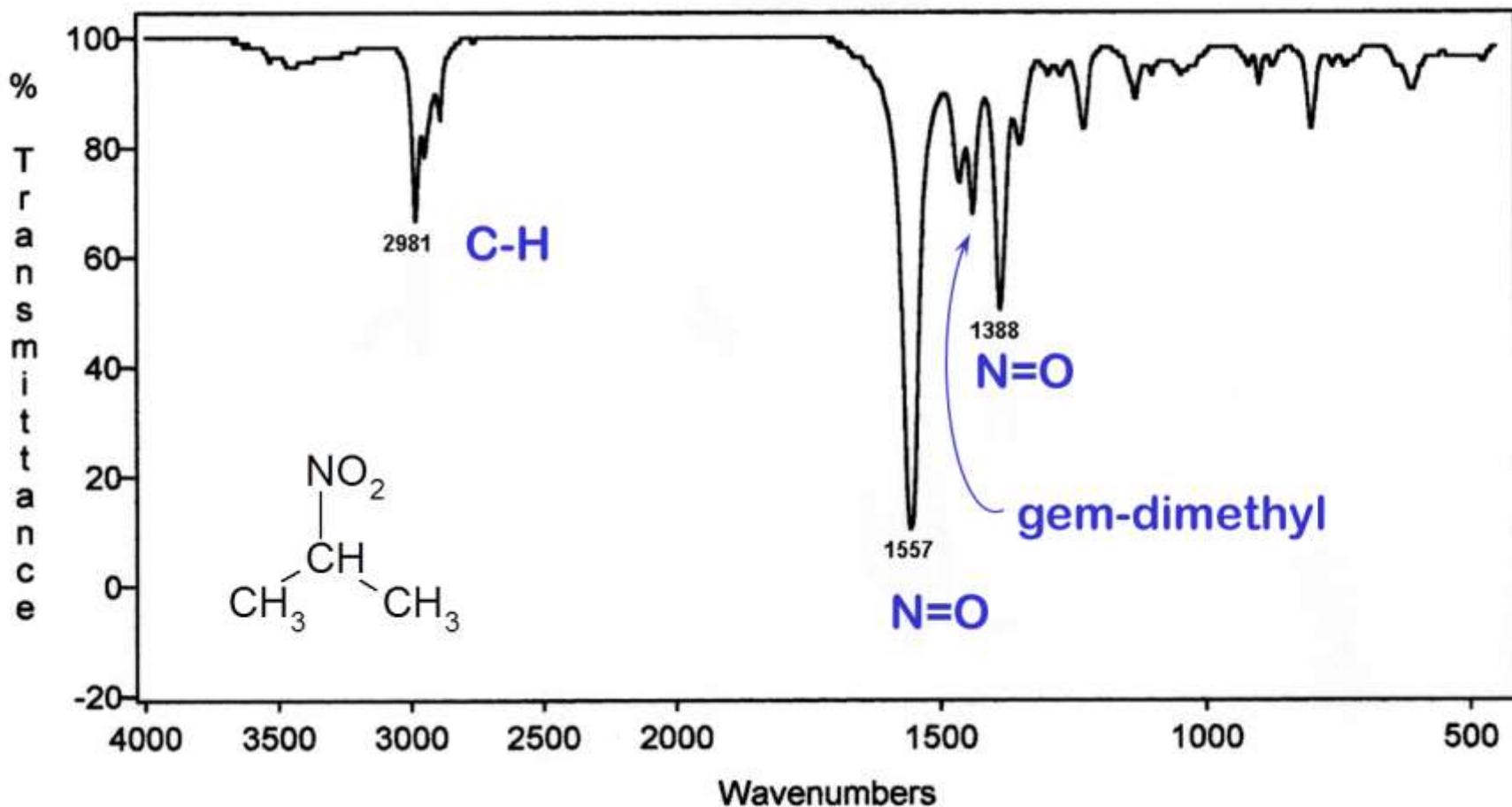
The N=O stretching region



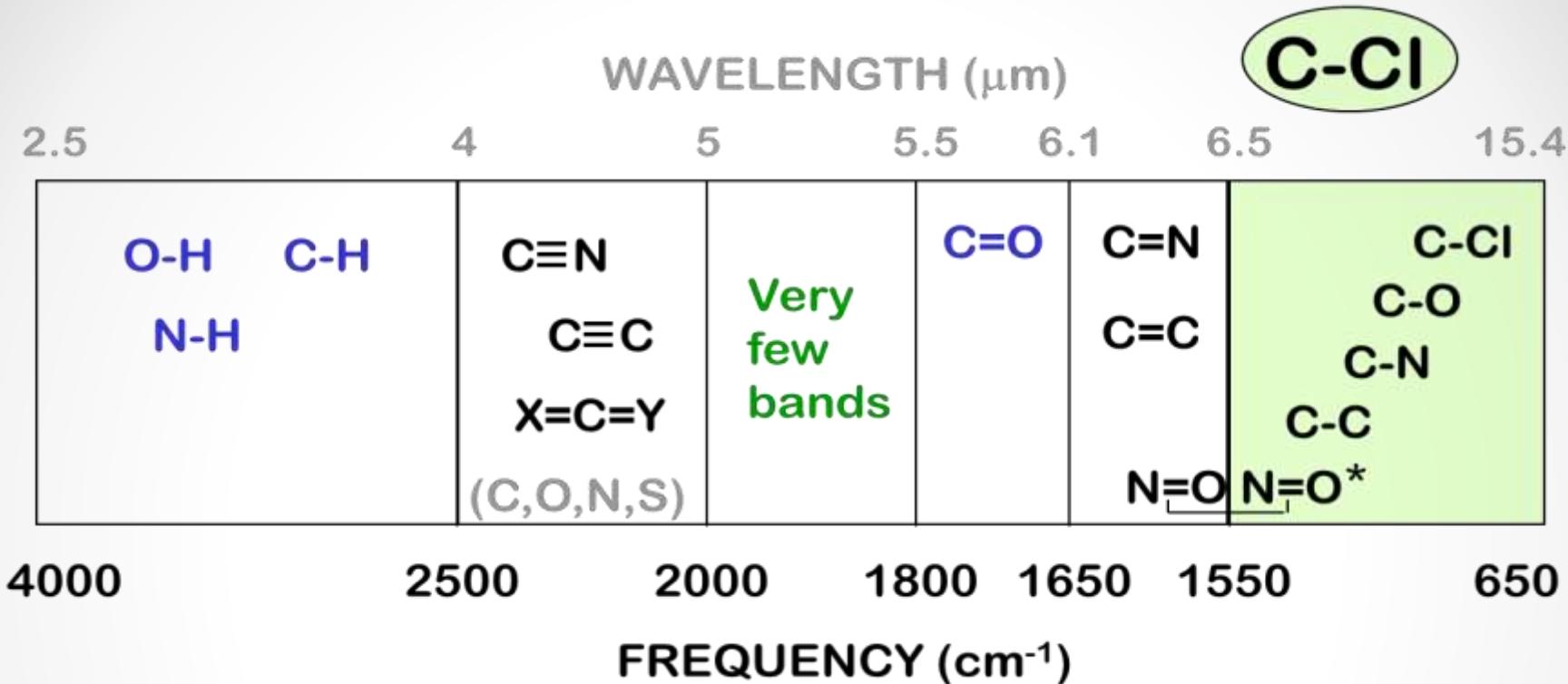
- N=O stretching : 1550 and 1350 cm^{-1} asymmetric and symmetric stretching.
- Often the 1550 cm^{-1} peak is stronger than the other one.

Nitroalkane

2-Nitropropane

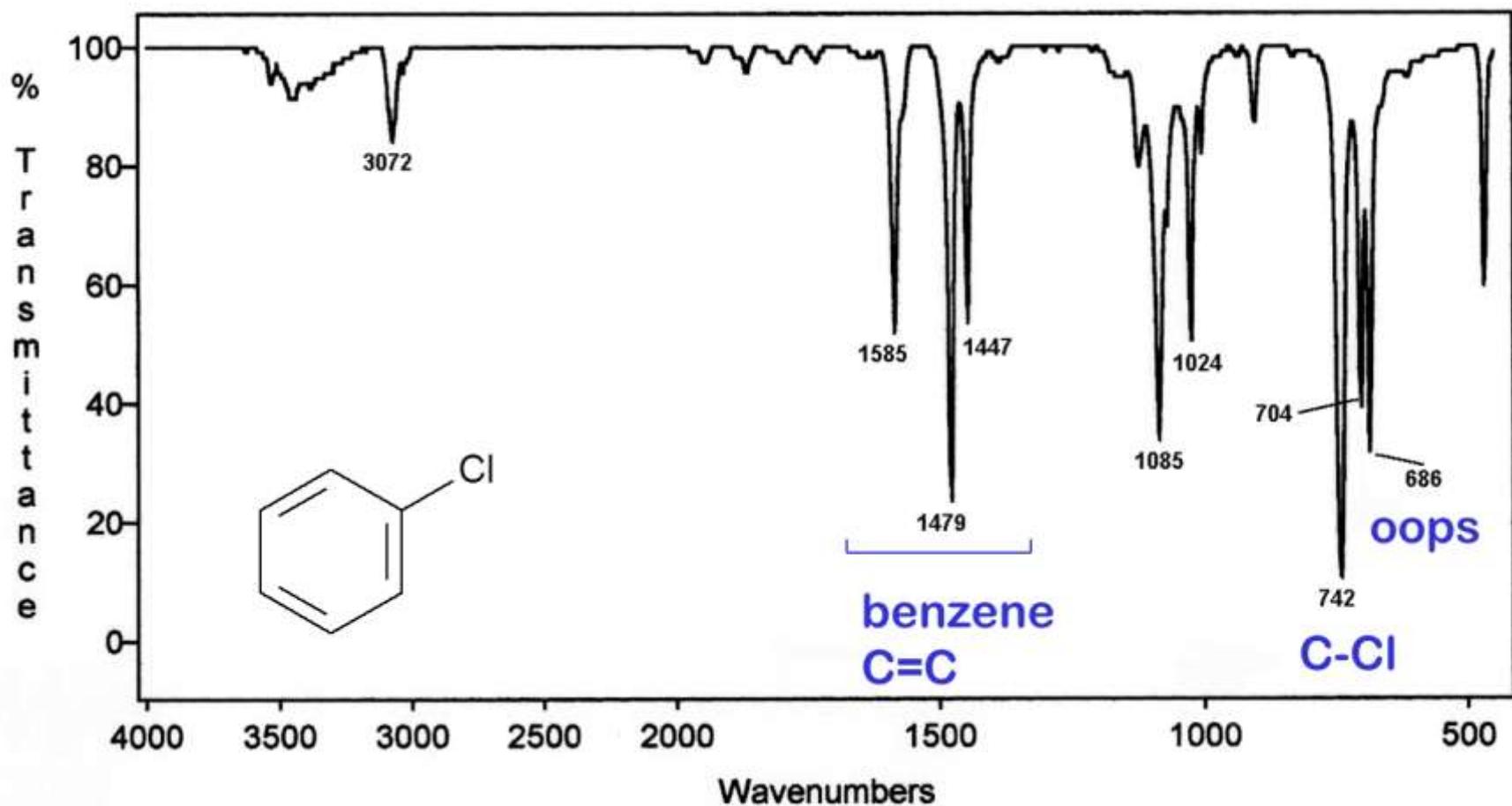


The C-X stretching region

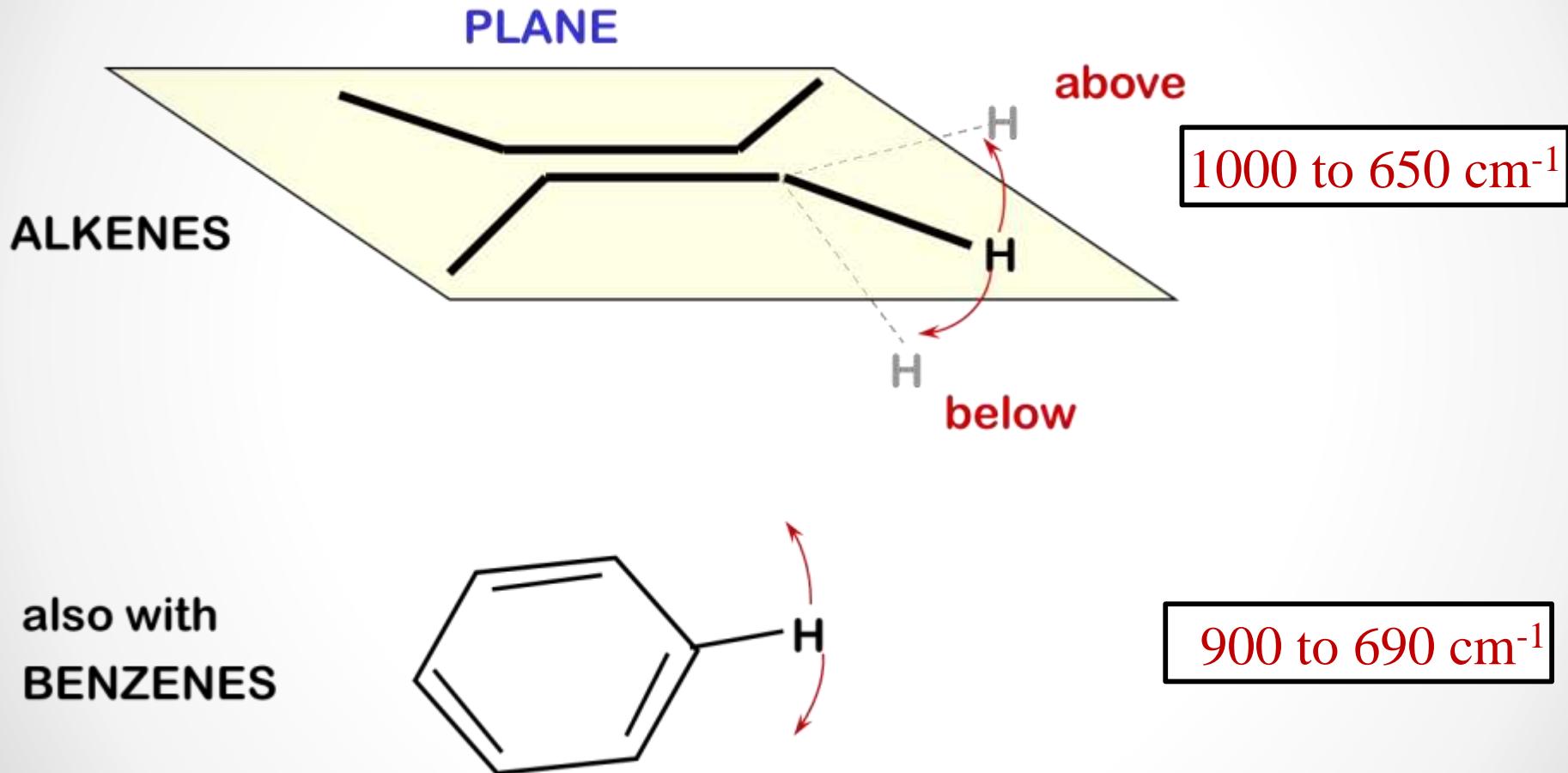


- C-Cl 785 to 540 cm^{-1} , often hard to find amongst the fingerprint bands!!
- C-Br and C-I appear outside the useful range of infrared spectroscopy.
- C-F bonds can be found easily, but are not that common.

Chlorobenzene

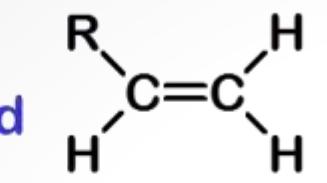


C-H Out-of-Plane Bending (OOPS)



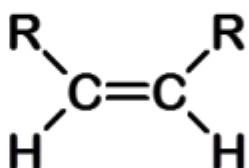
Alkenes

Monosubstituted

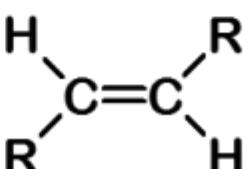


Disubstituted

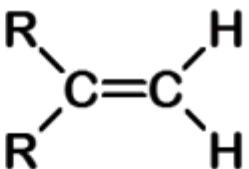
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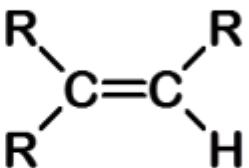
trans-1,2-



1,1-



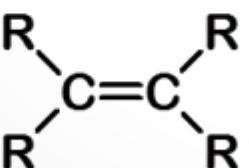
Trisubstituted



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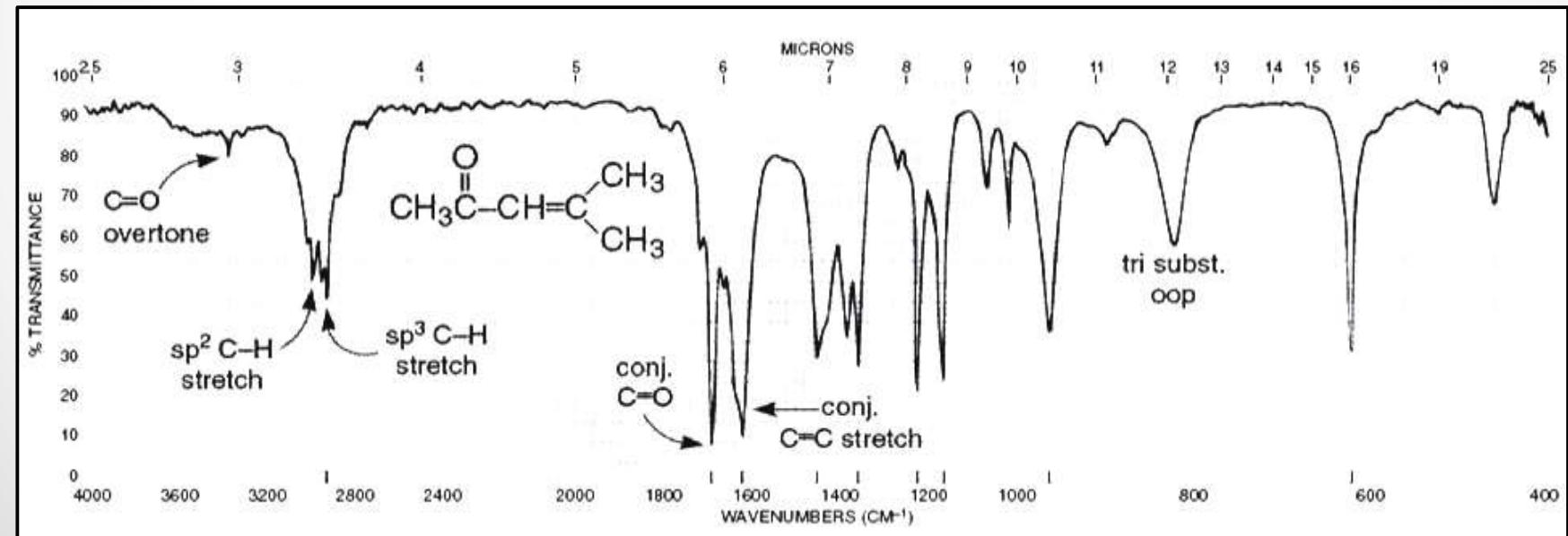
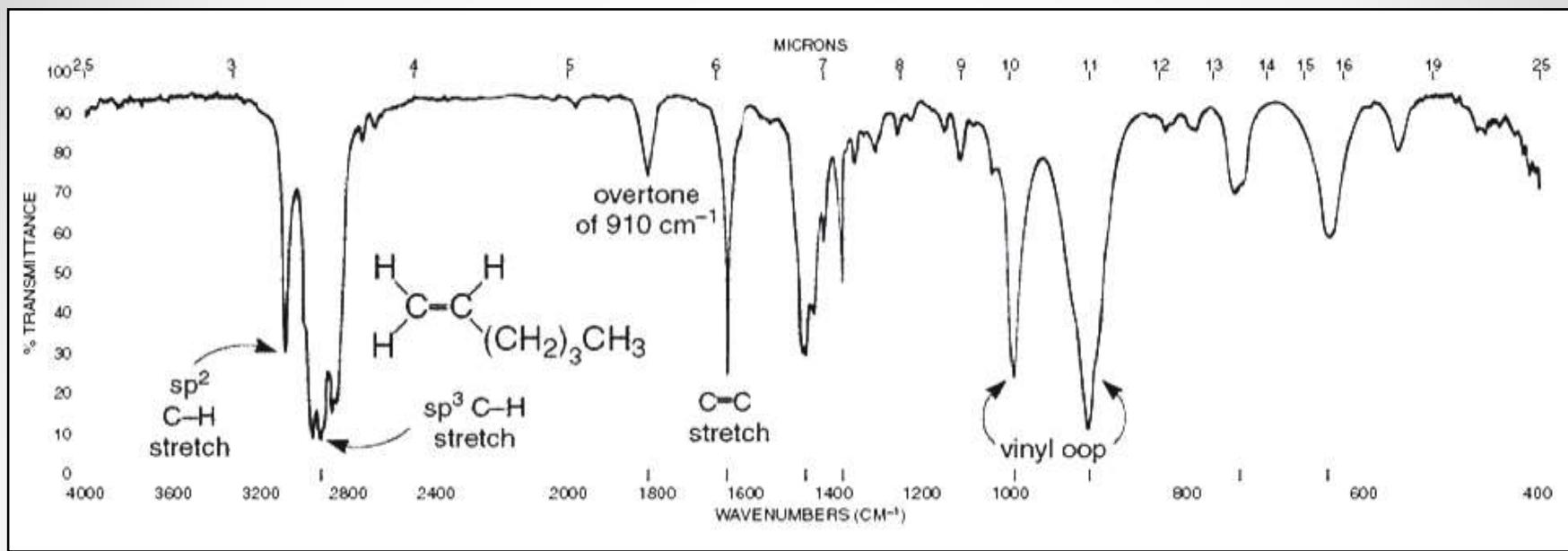


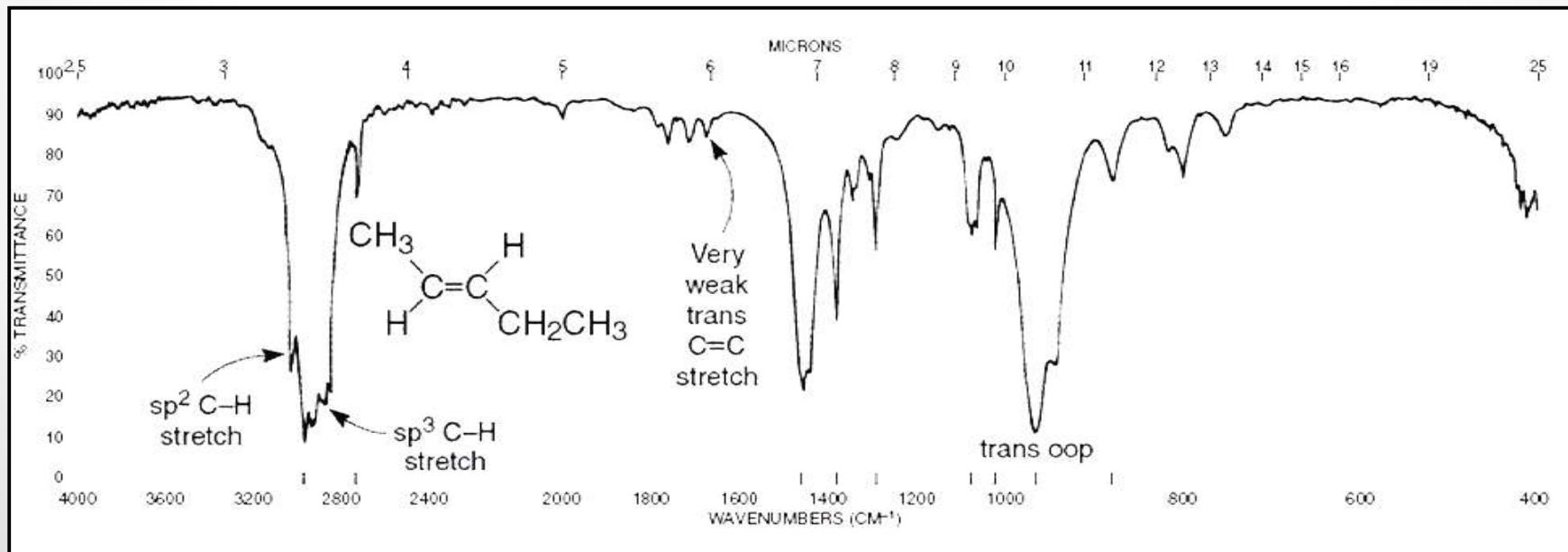
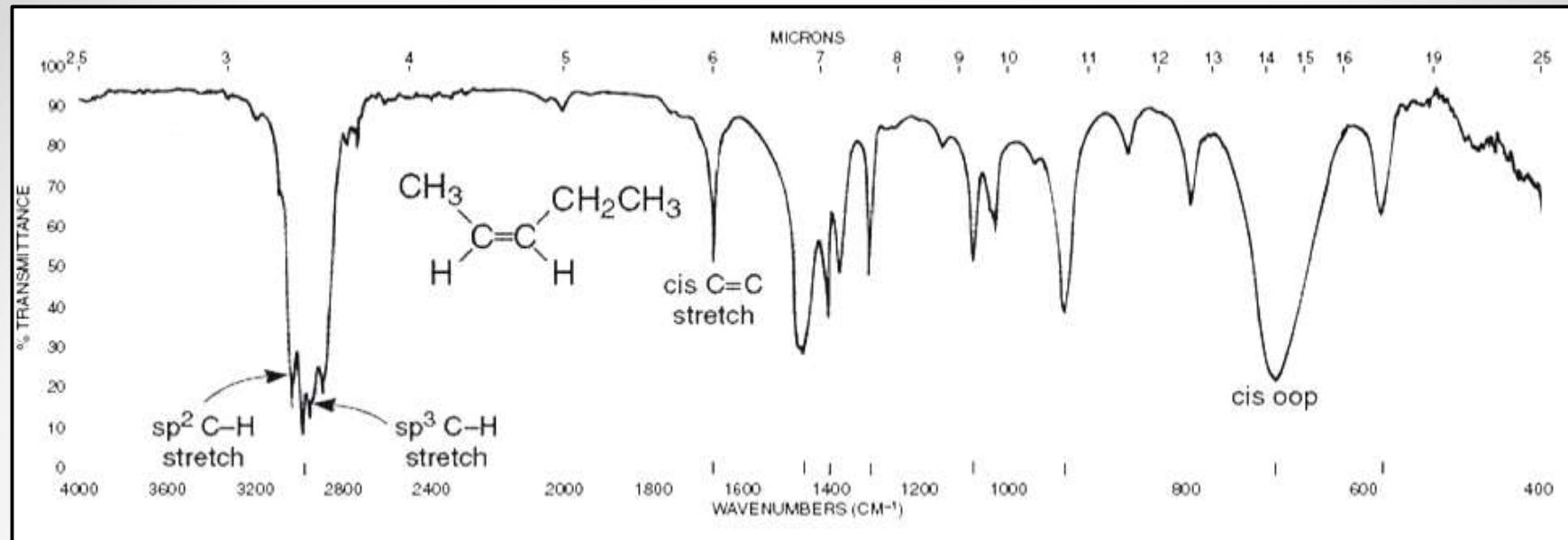
Tetrasubstituted



=C-H Out of plane Bending

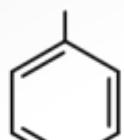






Benzenes

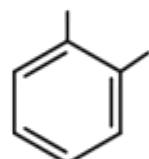
Monosubstituted



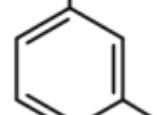
10 11 12 13 14 15 μ

Disubstituted

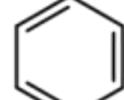
ortho



meta

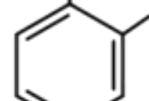


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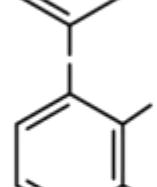


Trisubstituted

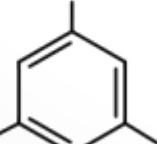
1,2,4



1,2,3



1,3,5



combination bands

1000

900

800

700 cm^{-1}

10 11 12 13 14 15 μ

s s

s

m s s

s

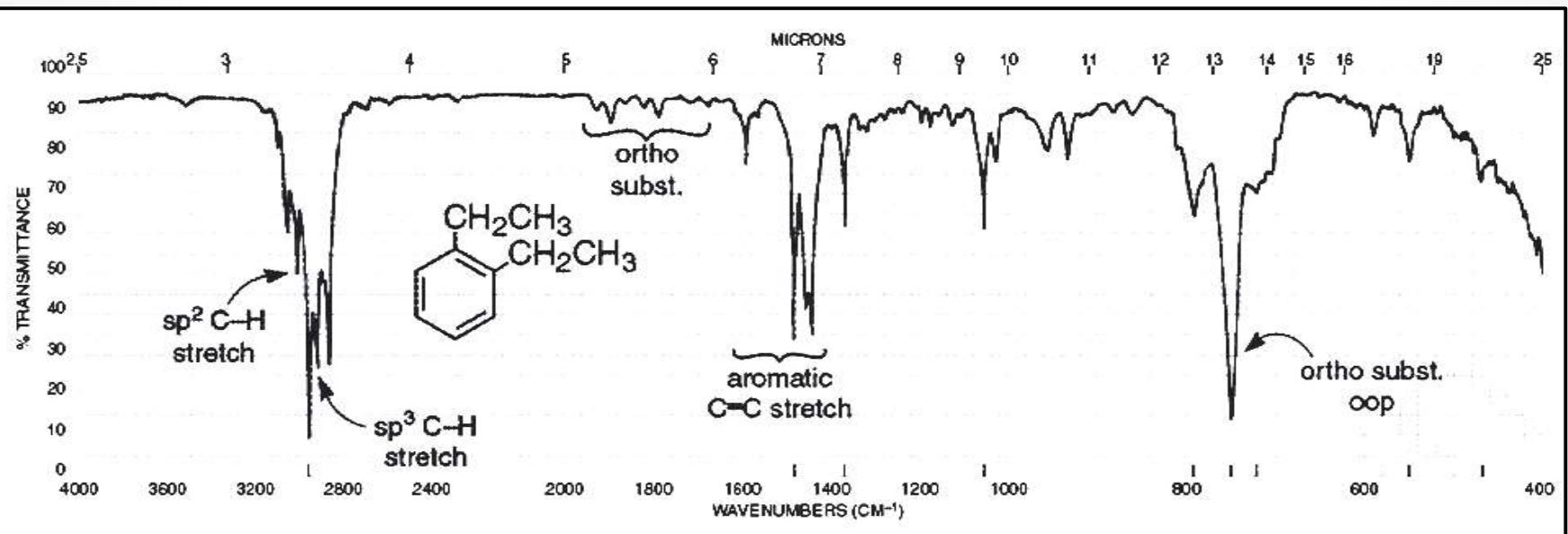
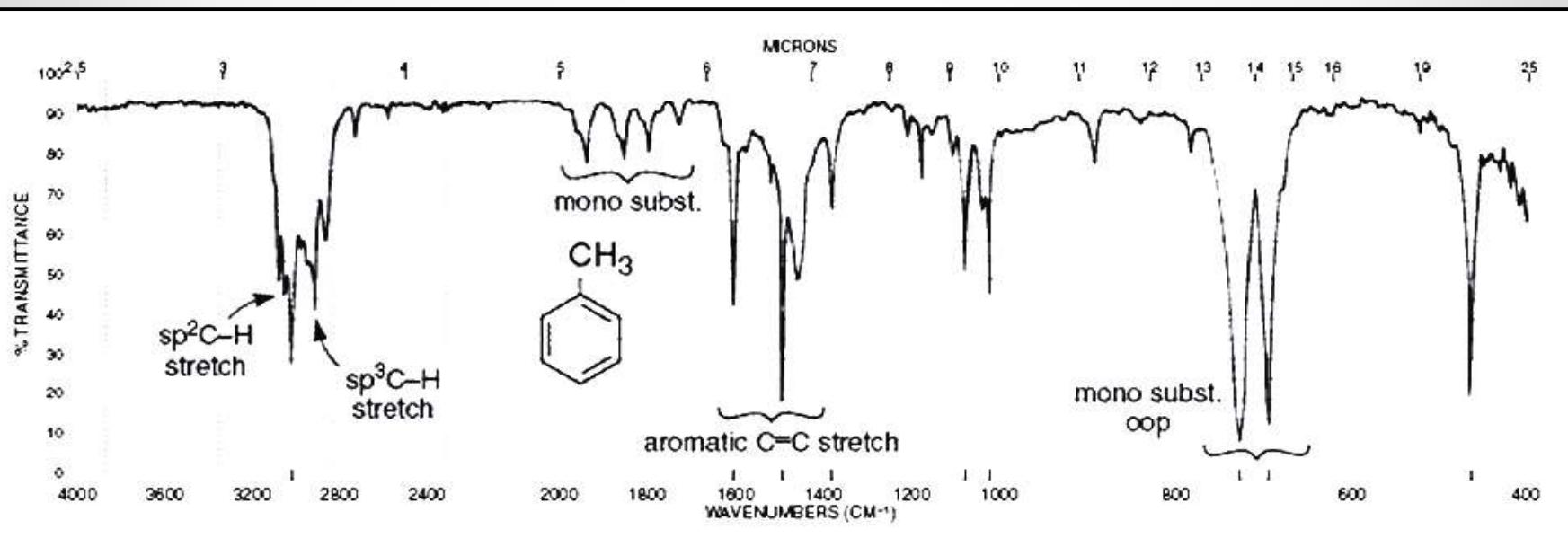
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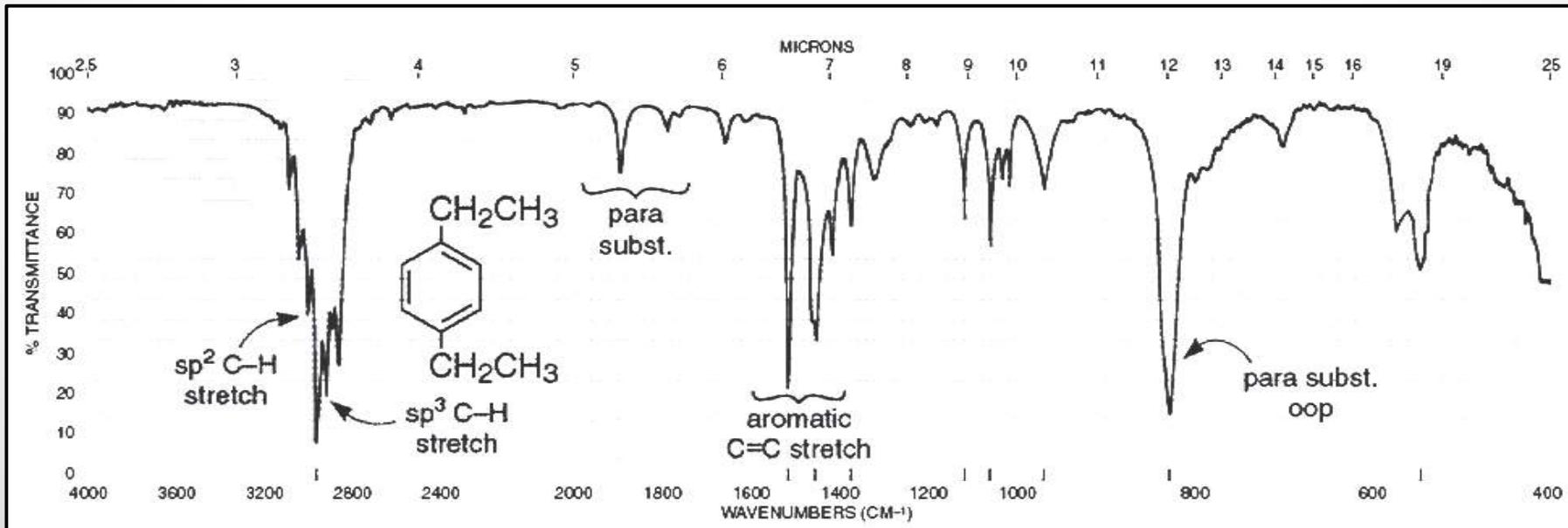
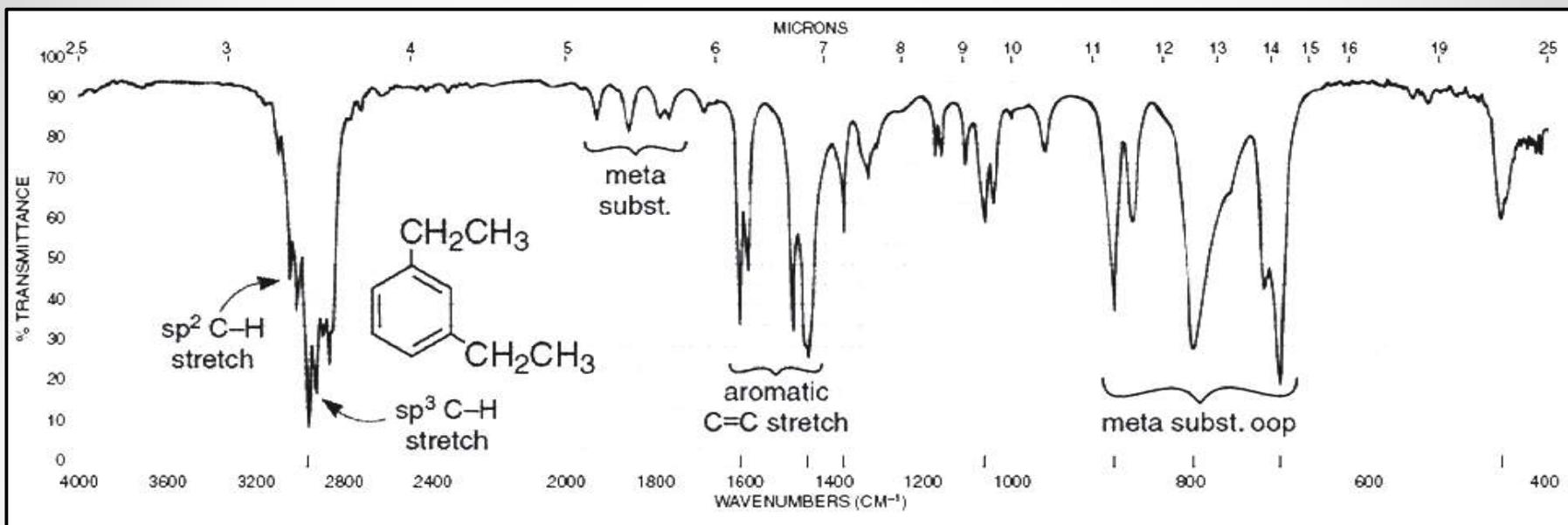
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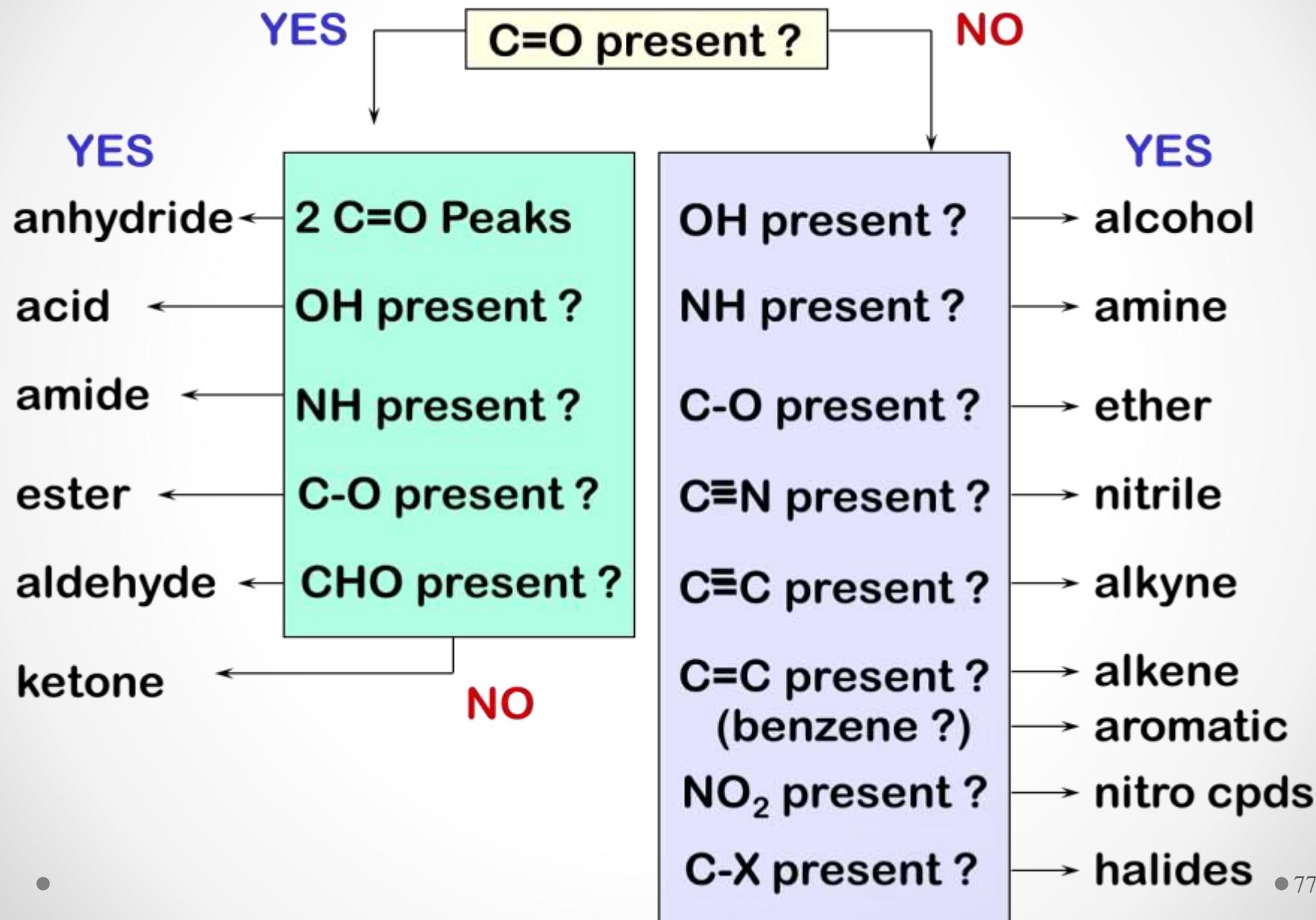
RING H's
OOPS

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Final Summary



The minimum you need to know

BASE VALUES	
OH	3600
NH	3400
CH	3000
C≡N	2250
C≡C	2150
C=O	1715
C=C	1650
C-O	1100

EXPANDED CH			
3000			
3300	3100	2900	2850
≡C-H	=C-H	-C-H	-CHO

CH₂ and CH₃ bend : 1465 and 1365

1800	1735	1725	1715	1710	1690
			aldehyde		
acid	ester		ketone	acid	
chloride					amide

anhydride : 1810 and 1760

EXPANDED C=O

benzene C=C : between 1400 and 1600

Know also the effects of H-bonding, conjugation and ring size.