INTRODUCTION

The condensation of primary amines with carbonyl compounds was first reported by Schiff and the condensation products are often referred to as Schiff bases. Various studies have shown that the \( \text{C=N} \) group has considerable biological importance. The four main approaches for calculating molecular properties are Semi-empirical, ab-initio, density functional theory (DFT) and molecular mechanics (MM) methods. These quantum chemical methods can provide informations regarding vibration modes, molecular geometry, ionization potential, heat of formation, force constant, electron density, dipole moments, population analysis, conformation analysis, chemical reaction pathways and thermodynamic properties etc. Though, Semi-empirical methods are not so accurate methods these serve the purpose of approximate calculation of different chemical properties. The Semi-empirical methods are usually Self Consistent Field methods developed in minimal basis sets under neglect of some empirical parameters of a part of Fock-matrix elements. Among the popular Semi-empirical methods are AM1, PM3, MNDO, MINDO/3, SINDO and INDO/S, these all methods are parameterized for ground-state properties and spectra. Out of these methods AM1 and PM3 methods are most recent and are preferred by
various workers \cite{14-19} and the resulting these methods are with small errors. PM3 methods is parameterized for system with greater number of electrons \cite{20}. No doubt the low-level ab-initio calculations are usually better but are considerably time consuming. Therefore AM1 methods are used to get reasonably good results \cite{21, 22}.

In this respect, we report here the vibration modes of 3, 4, 5-trimethoxy benzaldehyde, 4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzaldehyde and 4-chloro benzaldehyde Schiff bases with 2-Amino pyridine by using AM1 and PM3 computational Semi-empirical methods and compare with experimental data.

Fig. 1: Molecular structure of 3, 4, 5-trimethoxy benzaldehyde, 4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzaldehyde and 4-chloro benzaldehyde Schiff base with 2-Amino pyridine (I, II & III, respectively) with numbering atoms adopted in the calculation.

Fig. 2: Graphical correlation between experimental and calculated fundamental vibration modes obtained by AM1 and PM3 Semi-empirical methods for 2N-(3, 4, 5-Trimethoxy benzalidine) amino pyridine (TMBAPy) (CC=Correlation Coefficient)
Fig. 3: Graphical correlation between experimental and calculated fundamental vibration modes obtained by AM1 and PM3 Semi-empirical methods for 2N-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzalidene) amino pyridine (HMBAPy) (CC=Correlation Coefficient)

Fig. 4: Graphical correlation between experimental and calculated fundamental vibration modes obtained by AM1 and PM3 Semi-empirical methods for 2N-(4-chloro benzalidine) amino pyridine (p-ClBAPy) (CC=Correlation Coefficient)

Fig. 5: Experimental IR Spectra of 2N-(3, 4, 5-tri methoxy benzalidene) amino pyridine (TMBAPy) Schiff base compound
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Correlation Coefficient (CC): 0.999587

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### Computational Methodology

An Intel based CORE 2DUO, DUALCORE machine with HT 3.2 technology having 800 FSB, 1GB RAM, 7200 RPM HDD was used to run all the calculations. AM1 & PM3 Semi-empirical quantum chemical calculations were carried out by the HyperChem™ 8.0 Molecular Modeling program with root mean square (RMS) gradient 0.00001 kcal (Åmol⁻¹) using Polak-Ribiere algorithm. ACD/ChemSketch 8.17 was used to draw the structure of molecules.

### RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The experimental and calculated IR fundamental vibration modes for the 2N-(3, 4, 5-trimethoxy benzalidene) aminopyridine (TMBAPy), 2N-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzalidene) aminopyridine (HMBAPy) and 2N-(4-chlorobenzalidene) aminopyridine (p-ClBAPy) Schiff base by AM1 and PM3 Semi-empirical methods are presented in Table 1, 2 & 3, respectively and molecular structure of these compounds are presented in Figure-1. The correlation coefficients obtained for 2N-(3, 4, 5-trimethoxy benzalidene) aminopyridine (TMBAPy) are 0.999587 and 0.999712 by using AM1 and PM3 Semi-empirical methods, respectively. It is evident that PM3 Semi-empirical method gives most satisfactory correlation (CC = 0.999712) between experimental and calculated vibration modes. In the case of 2N-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzalidene) aminopyridine (HMBAPy) Schiff base compound, the correlation...
coefficients (CC) of AM1 and PM3 methods are 0.986742 and 0.98184, respectively. However, the correlation coefficients for 2N-(4-chlorobenzaldehyde) aminopyridine (p-ClBAPy) Schiff base compound are 0.999646 and 0.999714 by using AM1 and PM3 Semi-empirical methods, respectively. It is evident that PM3 method gives most satisfactory correlation (CC = 0.999714). Graphical correlations between experimental and calculated fundamental vibrational modes are presented in Figure-2, 3 & 4 for the title Schiff base compounds, respectively.

Theoretically, Important band that occur at 1686-1594 cm\(^{-1}\) is attributed to \(\tilde{\nu}(C=N)\) mode. In the case of 2N-(3, 4, 5-trimethoxy benzaldehyde) amino pyridine (TMBAPy) this band is appear at 1686.7 cm\(^{-1}\). By using AM1 and PM3 semi-empirical methods the calculated fundamental vibrational modes are 1682.52 and 1669.62 cm\(^{-1}\). In the case of 2N-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzaldehyde) amino pyridine (HMBApy) this band is shifted to lower wave number and appears at 1594.3 cm\(^{-1}\) involvement of Nitrogen atom of azomethine group in coordination. By using AM1 calculation the calculated vibrational mode is 1583.26 cm\(^{-1}\) and calculated vibrational mode obtained by PM3 methods is 1575.36 cm\(^{-1}\). In 2N(4-chloro benzaldehyde) amino pyridine (p-CiBAPy) this band is shifted to lower wave number and appear at 1598.8 cm\(^{-1}\) indicating the involvement of Nitrogen atom of azomethine group in coordination. Calculated fundamental vibrational mode of p-CiBAPy by AM1 and PM3 methods are

Table 4: Experimental and Calculated IR Spectral frequencies of 2N-(3, 4, 5-trimethoxy benzaldehyde) aminopyridine (TMBAPy), 2N-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzaldehyde) aminopyridine (HMBApy) and 2N-(4-chloro benzaldehyde) amino pyridine (p-CiBAPy) by AM1 and PM3 Semi-empirical methods and their assignments

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Fig. 6: Experimental IR Spectra of 2N-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzalidine) amino pyridine (HMBAPy) Schiff base compound

Fig. 7: Experimental IR Spectra of 2N-(4-chloro benzalidine) amino pyridine (p-CIBAPy) Schiff base compound
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CONCLUSION

Of the AM1 and PM3 semi-empirical methods tested in the presented study on title compounds, PM3 Semi-empirical method can be considered as the most appropriate quantum chemical method to facilitate the vibrational frequencies identification of such compounds, since the IR frequencies simulated by this method best linearity between the calculated and experimental frequencies data (0.999712, 0.999714, respectively) used in 2N-(3, 4, 5-trimethoxy benzalidine) aminopyridine (TMBAPy) and 2N-(4-chlorobenzalidine) aminopyridine (p-CIBAPy) Schiff base compounds. But AM1 Semi-empirical method gives most satisfactory correlation (0.986742) in the case of 2N-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxy benzalidine) aminopyridine (HMPBAPy) compound. Thus, Quantum chemical Semi-empirical calculation can be successfully used for the prediction of vibration modes of making more active ligands and other molecules.

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