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Vibrational Behavior of Calcium Hydrogen Triacetate Monohydrate, CaH(CH₃COO)₃ · H₂O

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Keywords • infrared spectra • Raman spectra • calcium hydrogen triacetate monohydrate • calcium acetate monohydrate • hydrogen bond vibrations • hydrogen bond energy The IR and Raman spectra of calcium hydrogen triacetate monohydrate, $CaH(CH_3COO)_3 \cdot H_2O$, (Speakman's classification: B type acid salt) in the 4000-400 cm⁻¹ frequency region are presented and discussed with respect to the fundamental vibrations of acetic acid species (CH₃COO⁻ and CH₃COOH) and hydrogen bond vibrations due to both hydroxyl groups of CH₃COOH and water molecules. The main spectral feature in the v(OH) stretching mode region is the appearance of two broad bands at about 2500 and 1950 cm⁻¹, designated as (AB) and C bands, respectively. The presence of ABC bands with their frequency positions and intensities as well as the δ_{OH} and γ_{OH} frequencies are spectroscopic evidence for strong asymmetrical hydrogen bonds between the acetic acid species. Their enthalpies of formation (ΔH) were calculated to be -48.4 and -52.7 kJ mol⁻¹. Frequencies of the uncoupled OD stretches of the crystallization water reveal that H₂O(2) forms stronger hydrogen bonds than H₂O(1) and that the non-coordinated acetate oxygen is a stronger hydrogen bond acceptor than the carbonyl oxygen. The IR and Raman spectra of Ca(CH₃COO)₂ · H₂O are also presented and discussed.

INTRODUCTION

Vibrational spectra (IR and Raman) of a considerable number of acid salts of carboxylic acids of the general formula MH(RCOO)₂, where M = Li, Na, K, Rb, Cs, NH₄, have been well studied.^{1–6} The great interest in these compounds is caused by their peculiar spectral characteristics in the v_{OH} stretching mode region, which are due to the presence of very strong hydrogen bonds in their crystal lattices. The dynamics of the hydrogen bond and the potential energy function of the proton of strongly hydrogen bonded systems are widely discussed in the literature ^{7–9} because of the great importance of the hydrogen bond formation for the physical properties of substances as well as for biological systems.^{6,10–12}

The present paper aims at studying the vibrational spectra (IR and Raman) of calcium hydrogen triacetate monohydrate (CaH(CH₃COO)₃ \cdot H₂O), which is a repre-

sentative of B type acid carboxylic salts according to Speakman's classification. To our knowledge, no such data are available in the literature. The acid salt spectra are discussed with respect to the fundamental vibrations of the acetic acid species (CH₃COO⁻ and CH₃COOH) and the hydrogen bond vibrations. A comparison is made with the vibrational spectra of the neutral salt, calcium acetate monohydrate, for which no full spectroscopic data are available.^{13,14}

EXPERIMENTAL

Acid and neutral calcium acetate monohydrates were prepared by crystallization from acid acetate solutions according to the solubility data of the $Ca(CH_3COO)_2 - CH_3COOH H_2O$ system at 25 °C.¹⁵ The crystals were filtered, washed with alcohol and dried in air. Deuterated samples containing about 10 and 40 % D_2O (for the acid salt only) were obtained by the same crystallization procedures, using mixtures of H₂O and D₂O and 100 % D₂O, respectively. Unfortunately, we failed to prepare more highly deuterated samples. The reagents used were of *p.a.* quality (Merck).

The IR spectra at ambient and liquid nitrogen temperature (LNT) were recorded on a Bruker model IFS 113 Fourier transform interferometer (resolution $< 2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) using KBr as matrix. Ion exchange or other reactions with KBr were not observed. The Raman spectra (ambient temperature) of the samples in glass capillaries were measured on a RFS 100/S FT-Raman spectrometer using Nd:YAG laser excitation at 1064 nm (back – scattering geometry, resolution $< 2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Both acid and neutral calcium acetate monohydrates, henceforth called CAHAC and CAAC, respectively, crystallize in the triclinic space group $P\overline{1}$ (C_i) with Z = $4.^{16,17}$ Part of the crystal structure of CAHAC according to Ref. 16 is shown in Figure 1. Crystal structures of the two salts are very close. Both structures are built of infinite multiple O-bridged double-stranded Ca chains running in the *a* direction, which are cross-linked in the *b* and *c* directions *via* hydrogen bonds. Individual strands of the O-bridged Ca chains consist of the corresponding asymmetric units of the unit cells, namely Ca₂H₂(OAc)₆. 2H₂O and Ca₂(OAc)₄ · 2H₂O for the acid and neutral salts, respectively. Each unit cell contains four crystallographically different acetate ions, two calcium ions and two water molecules. Additionally, two acetic acid molecules are present in the acid salt lattice. All species in the two salts are in C_1 site symmetry.

The factor group analysis predicts that under the C_i factor group symmetry and C_1 site symmetry each vibrational mode (*A* symmetry) will give rise to only one IR-active component (A_u symmetry) and only one Ramanactive component (A_g symmetry).

Vibrations of CH₃COO⁻ and CH₃COOH Species in CAHAC and CAAC

As regards crystallographic symmetry conditions, Speakman differentiates two fundamental types of acid salts of carboxylic acids – A and B.18 In type A, the two carboxylic residues (RCOO- and RCOOH) are equivalent and the hydrogen bond lies across the symmetry centre (symmetric hydrogen bonds). A large number of alkali acid salts of acetic and halogenated acetic acids is reported to belong to type A - for example, NaH(CH₃COO)₂,¹⁹ KH(CF(Cl)₃COO)₂,^{3,20} KH(CHBr₂COO)₂,⁵ RbH(CCl₃COO)₂,²¹ etc. Type B corresponds to asymmetric hydrogen bonds, i.e., the C-O distances and OCO angles show clearly distinct COOH carboxylic and COO⁻ carboxylate groups of the complex anion (RCOOHOOCR). To our knowledge, few of the studied acid carboxylic salts belong to type B - for example, potassium hydrogen phthalate (KHPh),²² NaHC₂O₄ · H₂O,²³ NaHC₂O₄,²⁴ β -potassium hydrogen hydroxymalonate.²⁵

According to the structural data, CAHAC is a type B acid salt. Vibrational spectra of type B salts are interpreted roughly in terms of superposition of RCOOH and RCOO⁻ bands, taking into account both the dimensions and the type of bonding of the two residues obtained by

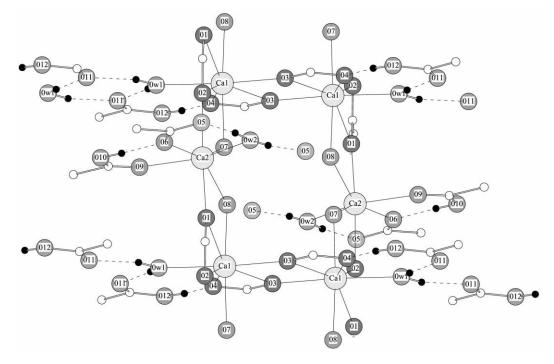


Figure 1. Part of the crystal structure of CaH(CH₃COO)₃ · H₂O according to data from Ref. 16; (● are H atoms; O are C atoms).

CAHAC IR / cm ⁻¹		Raman / cm ⁻¹	CAAC IR / cm ⁻¹		Raman / cm ⁻¹	Assignments
295 K	90 K	295 K	295 K 90 K		295 K	
3020	3016	3027 sh	3010	3007	3017	$v_{\rm as}(\rm CH_3)$
	2998	2994 sh		2984	2983	$v'_{as}(CH_3)$
2926	2918	2941	2926	2924	2932	$v_{\rm s}(\rm CH_3)$
1700	1702 (1702)	1697 (1684)	_	_	_	v(C=O) of AcOH
1684 sh	1684 (1670)					· · · ·
1615 sh	1612	1580	1583	1587	1580	$v_{\rm as}$ (C–O) of OAc
1551	1554		1565	1567		
	1530 sh		1545	1545		
1475	1483					$\delta_{\rm as}({\rm CH}_3)$ or $v_{\rm s}({\rm C-O})$ of OAc
1454	1460	1468	1460 sh	1469	1475	$v_{\rm s}$ (C–O) of OAc
			1450	1455		3(
1414	1433	1434	1415	1425	1437	$\delta'_{\rm as}(\rm CH_3)$
1111	1415	1413 sh		1413	1417	- as(- 5)
	1408 sh			1399		
1370 (1126)	1391 (1130)	(1126)	_	_	_	$\delta_{ m OH}$ of AcOH
(1099)	1369 (1107)	(1095)				011
1349	1349	1357	1355	1355	1364	$\delta_{s}(CH_{3})$
1335	1337	1347	1341	1339	1348	5 5
		1341				
1302	1315	1314 (1325)	-	_	-	v(C–O) of AcOH
	1304					
	1099 (780)		_	_	_	$\gamma_{\rm OH}$ of AcOH
	1070 (765)					
1052	1055		1057	1058		$\rho_{\rm op}(\rm CH_3)$
	1052			1049		•
	1047					
1026	1031	1020	1024	1029	1020	$\rho_{\rm ip}(\rm CH_3)$
1019	1017			1024		
962	965	960	961	966	965	v(C-C) of OAc
951	958	955	945	948	946	
941	953	943	932	944	943	
	942			931	931	
901 (865)	906 (875) 901	903 (872)	_	_	_	v(C-C) of AcOH
688	693	688				$\delta_{\rm s}({\rm OCO})$ and/or
						twisting vibration
672	674	668	677	678	686	$\delta(\text{OCO})$
663	664	664	661	661	672	
					660	
636	640	638	623	622	642	$\rho_{\rm op}({\rm OCO})$ of OAc
620	627	628 sh	617	613	620	and $\delta(OCO)$ +
	620 sh	618				$\gamma({\rm CCO})$ of AcOH
	610	610				
464	463	476	480	482	480	$\rho_{\rm ip}(\rm OCO)$ of OAc
		460	473	468	466	and $\delta(\text{CCO})$ of

the structural data.³ In the CAHAC lattice, one of the OAc ions is a monodentate ligand, while the others act as bidentate chelating and O-bridging ligands. The C-O bond lengths in the OAc ions, which are in the range 1.24–1.27 Å, are close to those found in other metal acetates.^{26–28} The two C-O bond lengths in each AcOH molecule differ significantly – they are about 1.2 and 1.3 Å for the short (C=O) and the long bond (C-O), respectively, and are thus close to those found in solid acetic acid.²⁹ The carbonyl group of one AcOH, denoted as AcOH(1), is coordinated to Ca(2) and its OH group is involved in a hydrogen bond with an acetate oxygen O(6) (Figure 1). The other AcOH, named AcOH(2), is non-coordinated, but it is extensively involved in the hydrogen bond network of the salt by three hydrogen bonds with the acetate oxygen O(4) (as proton donor) and two water molecules (as proton acceptors) (Figure 1).

As far as the neutral salt, CAAC, is concerned, the four non-equivalent acetate ions are bonded in its lattice¹⁷ in a manner similar to that found in CAHAC,¹⁶ *i.e.*, one OAc ion is a monodentate ligand, while the others are both bidentate chelating and O-bridging ligands.

The 15 fundamental modes of the (OAc) ions and the 18 fundamentals of AcOH are well studied in the literature.^{29–31} In the case of more than one OAc ion and more than one AcOH molecule in the lattice, more sets of fun-

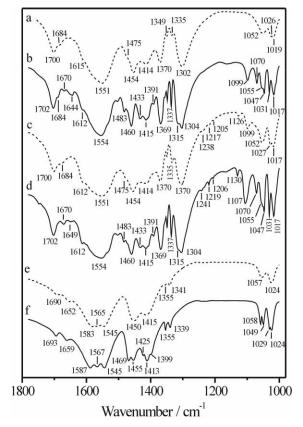


Figure 2. IR spectra in the $1800-1000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ frequency region of (a, b) CAHAC; (c, d) deuterated (40 % D₂O) CADAC; (e, f) CAAC; (--- at ambient temperature; — at liquid nitrogen temperature).

damental modes are expected to occur, corresponding to the number of the crystallographically different species of each type.

The infrared and Raman spectra of CAHAC and CAAC in the region of 1800–400 cm⁻¹ are shown in Figures 2-4 and the assignments of the bands are given in Table I. The assignments are based on the literature data for neutral carboxylic salts^{30,31} and different acid salts of carboxylic acids.^{4,5,21-24,29}

The presence of four different acetate ions, bonded in a similar manner in both salts, results in close vibrational characteristics in the regions of stretching and bending vibrations of OCO groups, C-C stretching and methyl group vibrations, which can be seen from Figures 2-4 and Table I.

As it could be expected, the main difference in the vibrational spectra of the acid and the neutral salts in the region of 1800-400 cm⁻¹ is the appearance of bands corresponding to the vibrations of COOH groups of the acetic acid molecules, namely – carbonyl (C=O) and C-O stretching vibrations as well as hydroxyl group vibrations (in-plane (δ_{OH}) and out-of-plane (γ_{OH}) bending vibrations).

The carbonyl stretching vibration is observed in the IR spectrum of CAHAC as a strong band with two maxima at 1702 and 1684 cm⁻¹ (LNT), corresponding to the two carbonyl groups of the two acetic acid molecules (Figure 2a and 2b). The lower wavenumbered $v_{C=0}$ band shifts to a lower frequency (1670 cm⁻¹) on deuteration (Figure 2d), which is caused by the reduction of the interaction with some protonic modes, possibly the bending mode of water molecules. As mentioned above, according to the structural data, only the carbonyl group of AcOH(2) is an acceptor of two hydrogen bonds with two water molecules. Logically, the $v_{C=0}$ vibration of AcOH(2) should be sensitive to the close lying $\delta_{H_{2}O}$ vibrations of the water molecules and affected by the deuteration. Based on the above consideration, we assume that the band at 1684 cm⁻¹ is due to $v_{C=O}$ of AcOH(2), while the higher frequency band at 1702 cm⁻¹ is due to AcOH(1). In the Raman spectrum, only one band at 1697 cm⁻¹ appears, which also shifts to a lower frequency on deuteration (Figure 4a and 4b).

The other spectral region, which is very characteristic of acid carboxylic salts is the region of 1420–1250 cm⁻¹, where coupled vibrations involving δ_{OH} and v_{C-O} appear.^{1,4,22,23,32,33} Comparison of curves (a) and (e) in Figure 2 clearly shows that two new strong bands at 1370 and 1302 cm⁻¹ appear in the IR spectrum of CAHAC at ambient temperature, which are absent in that of CAAC. In agreement with the literature data, the lower frequency band (at 1302 cm⁻¹) should have a predominantly v_{C-O} character. At cooling, the v_{C-O} mode splits into two bands (1315 and 1304 cm⁻¹) corresponding to the two C-O bonds (1.302 and 1.324 Å) of the two acetic

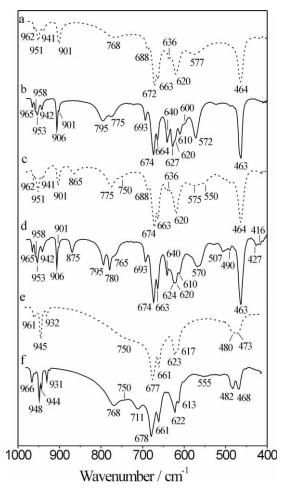


Figure 3. IR spectra in the 1000-400 cm⁻¹ frequency region of (a, b) CAHAC; (c, d) deuterated (40 % D₂O) CADAC; (e, f) CAAC; (--- at ambient temperature; — at liquid nitrogen temperature).

acid molecules. On deuteration, a shift to higher frequencies of the v_{C-O} mode is expected to occur as a result of removing the coupling with δ_{OH} .^{19,29-33} In the spectrum of 40 % deuterated sample, no shift was measured (compare curves (b) and (d) in Figure 2). However, in the Raman spectrum the singlet band at 1314 cm⁻¹, assigned to the v_{C-O} mode, exhibits an upshift to 1325 cm⁻¹ on deuteration (Figure 4a and 4b and Table I).

The band having most of the δ_{OH} character appears at about 1400 cm⁻¹ in IR spectra of carboxylic dimers and adducts^{29,33-35} and at even higher frequencies in some acid salts.^{5,7,21,32} It is claimed^{29,32} that δ_{OH} frequency increases with increasing the hydrogen bond strength and as a result an upshift of this mode is expected to be observed at LNT. In most cases, identification of the δ_{OH} mode is complicated because of the presence of a considerable number of bands in the region.4,5,19,22,36 However, a pure $\delta_{\rm OD}$ vibration is observed in the 1050–1170 cm⁻¹ frequency region in the deuterated sample.^{4,5,20,22,33} In the IR spectrum of CAHAC, at ambient temperature we assign the band at 1370 cm⁻¹ to the δ_{OH} mode. At LNT, a new band with a considerably lower intensity appears 585

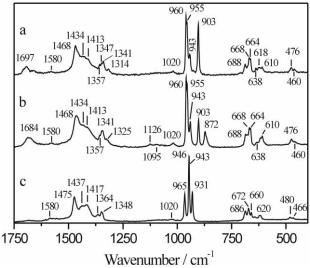


Figure 4. Raman spectra in the 1800-400 cm⁻¹ frequency region of (a) CAHAC; (b) deuterated (40 % D₂O) CADAC; (c) CAAC.

at 1391 cm⁻¹ (Figure 2a and 2b). This band could be attributed either to δ_{as} (CH₃) or to the second δ_{OH} mode. Further, in the IR spectrum of the 40 % deuterated sample (Figure 2c) two well defined bands appear at 1126 and 1099 cm⁻¹, exhibiting an upshift at LNT (1130 and 1107 cm⁻¹, respectively) and they are attributed to δ_{OD} modes of the two acetic acid molecules. As seen from Figure 2c, the higher wavenumbered $\delta_{\rm OD}$ band has a considerably lower intensity compared to that of the lower wavenumbered one, like in the case of the protonated sample. On this basis we assume that the band at 1391 cm⁻¹ in IR spectrum of CAHAC at LNT is more likely to be the second δ_{OH} mode. In this case, the isotopic shift for the two δ_{OH} bands is 1.23–1.24, which coincides with the reported one.³² In the Raman spectrum of CAHAC, no bands attributed to δ_{OH} mode could be seen, but in the deuterated sample two very weak bands at 1126 and 1095 cm⁻¹ assigned to the $\delta_{\rm OD}$ vibrations are observed (Figure 4b).

According to the literature data, the out-of-plane bending vibration (γ_{OH}) is in fact characteristic of hydrogen bonded acetic acid, since it is not found in the monomer. The frequency position of γ_{OH} is too sensitive towards molecular interactions and can be used as a criterion of the hydrogen bond strength.³⁸ Thus, the shortening of the hydrogen bond length from 2.61 Å found in solid acetic acid to about 2.52-2.57 Å in type B salts increases the $\gamma_{\rm OH}$ frequency from 906 cm⁻¹ to 1040–1140 cm⁻¹.^{23,30,38} For very strong hydrogen bonds with O···O distances of 2.43–2.47 Å found in type A salts, the γ_{OH} band appears around 1200 cm⁻¹.^{4,21,38} The γ_{OH} vibration usually appears as a relatively narrow band with a remarkable shift to higher frequencies (up to 25 cm⁻¹) on cooling and a high isotopic shift about 1.35–1.40 Å on deuteration.³⁸ In the IR spectrum of CAHAC, at ambient temperature

we did not find a band or bands with appropriate characteristics of this mode. However, at LNT two relatively narrow bands with equal intensities appear at 1070 and 1099 cm⁻¹, which are assigned to γ_{OH} of the two AcOH molecules (Figure 2b). Taking into account the upshift at cooling, we suppose that at ambient temperature the γ_{OH} bands should appear at about 1050 cm⁻¹, thus overlapping with the bands due to the out-of-plane CH₃ rocking vibrations (see Table I). On deuteration, the corresponding γ_{OD} modes are expected to occur in the region of 780–740 cm⁻¹. However, identification of the γ_{OD} modes is complicated since our sample is only 40 % deuterated. As a result, both the rocking vibrations of H₂O and the $\gamma_{\rm OD}$ vibrations of AcOD appear in this spectral range. Comparison of the IR spectra of protonated and deuterated samples at ambient temperature (Figure 3a and 3c) shows that the broad shoulder at about 750 cm⁻¹ could be assigned to the γ_{OD} mode with an isotopic ratio of 1.38. This means that the γ_{OH} mode shows almost pure harmonic behaviour. When the corresponding spectra at LNT are compared (Figure 3b and 3d), it is seen that the intensity of the band at 780 cm⁻¹ increases considerably on deuteration compared to that of the band at 795 cm⁻¹. Since in the IR spectrum of the protonated sample these two bands originate from the rocking vibrations of the H₂O molecules (see discussion below), the above commented fact could be explained by the assumption that the second γ_{OD} mode appears at 780 cm⁻¹, thus overlapping with the rocking vibrations of the second H₂O molecule.

The γ_{OH} frequency can be related to the hydrogen bond energy (enthalpy of hydrogen bond formation) by the equation given below, established for the crystalline acid carboxylic salts,³⁹ providing that the hydrogen bonds are linear (as in CAHAC):¹⁶

$$-\Delta H = 0.67 \times 10^{-4} \left[(v_{\rm H})^2 - (v_{\rm o})^2 \right],$$

where ΔH is in kJ mol⁻¹ (the accuracy is estimated³⁹ to be within 4 kJ mol⁻¹). In the equation, $v_{\rm H}$ and $v_{\rm o}$ are the $\gamma_{\rm OH}$ frequency (cm⁻¹) of hydrogen bonded and free molecule (650 cm⁻¹ for CH₃COOH monomer),³⁸ respectively. Calculated values for ΔH of the two hydrogen bonds formed by the hydroxyl groups of the two acetic acid molecules are 48.4 and 52.7 kJ mol⁻¹, respectively, thus indicating the formation of strong hydrogen bonds in CAHAC.

As far as the C-C mode is concerned, four bands corresponding to the four acetate ions present in the crystal lattice of both acid and neutral salts, appear in the IR (LNT) and Raman (ambient temperature) spectra in the region of 965–930 cm⁻¹ (Figures 3 and 4, Table I). Additionally, one or two bands around 900 cm⁻¹ are observed both in the IR and Raman spectra of the acid salt only (Figure 3a and b, Figure 4a) and, in agreement with the literature data,²⁹ they are assigned to the v_{C-C} mode of AcOH molecules. The v_{C-C} mode in AcOH is shown to be strongly perturbed by both γ_{OH} and out-of-plane CH₃ rocking vibrations and shows a considerable downshift (to 35 cm⁻¹) on deuteration.^{5,29,37} Comparison of the IR and Raman spectra of protonated and deuterated samples shows that the intensity of the band at around 900 cm⁻¹ decreases nearly twice on deuteration and at the same time a new band appears at 865 cm⁻¹ in the IR spectrum and at 872 cm⁻¹ in the Raman spectrum (Figure 3c and Figure 4b). The latter is attributed to the unperturbed v_{C-C} mode of the acetic acid molecules.

Hydrogen Bond Vibrations in $CaH(CH_3COO)_3 \cdot H_2O$

Crystal Structure Data. – According to the structural data,¹⁶ six different hydrogen bonds exist in the lattice of the acid salt. Two of them, the shortest ones (O···O distances of about 2.55 Å) are formed by the hydroxyl groups of the two acetic acid molecules and the longest ones (O···O distances from 2.73 to 2.88 Å) are formed by the two water molecules. The hydrogen bonds scheme is shown in Figure 1 and some structural data necessary for the IR spectra interpretations are summarized in Table II.

The AcOH (1) molecule is coordinated to the Ca(2)ion and is the proton donor in one hydrogen bond with the acetate oxygen O(6), the latter bonded to the same Ca(2) ion. The non-coordinated AcOH(2) is involved in three hydrogen bonds - one short hydrogen bond with the acetate oxygen O(4) being the proton donor and two longer hydrogen bonds with two different $H_2O(1)$ molecules as proton acceptors (by the carbonyl oxygen O(11)). Both $H_2O(1)$ and $H_2O(2)$ are coordinated to Ca(1) and Ca(2), respectively, with practically equal Ca-O_w bond lengths (Table II) and both act as proton donors only. $H_2O(1)$ forms hydrogen bonds with the carbonyl oxygen O(11) of two AcOH(2) molecules, while H₂O(2) with the non-coordinated acetate oxygen O(5) of the two different acetate ions. With respect to the O…O distances, $H_2O(1)$ shows weaker hydrogen bonds compared to those of $H_2O(2)$. Vibrations due to the crystallization water and OH groups of AcOH will be discussed separately.

Vibrations of Crystallization Water. – The IR spectra of CAHAC in the region of 4000–1800 cm⁻¹ are presented in Figure 5. Taking into consideration the O···O distances and the equal Ca-O_w interactions (equal synergetic effect), the OH stretching modes of H₂O(1) are expected to appear at higher frequencies (weaker hydrogen bonds) than those of the H₂O(2) molecules. Bands at 3517 and 3448 cm⁻¹ (spectrum at LNT) are thus assigned to asymmetric and symmetric stretching vibrations of H₂O(1), respectively, while the bands at 3228 and 3110 cm⁻¹ – to the OH stretches of H₂O(2) (Figure 5b). Frequency separation between the average values of the OH stretching

Substance	Proton donors	Hydrogen bond type	00	O−H····O angle / deg	Ca–O _w bond length / Å
			distance / Å		
CAHAC	AcOH(1)	O(10)-H(1)····O(6) ^(a)	2.548	176	
	AcOH(2)	$O(12)-H(2)\cdots O(4)^{(a)}$	2.550	175	
	$H_2O(1)$	$O_w(1)-H(11)\cdots O(11)^{(a)}$	2.864	179	2.372
		$O_w(1)-H(12)\cdots O(11^{iv})^{(a)}$	2.876	162	
	$H_2O(2)$	$O_w(2)-H(21)\cdots O(5)^{(a)}$	2.732	166	2.375
		$O_w(2) - H(22) \cdots O(5^v)^{(a)}$	2.750	152	
CAAC	H ₂ O(1)	$O_w(1)$ -H(11)···O(6 ⁱⁱ) ^(b)	2.742	173	2.360
		$O_w(1) - H(12) \cdots O(3^v)^{(b)}$	2.803	166	
	$H_2O(2)$	$O_w(2)-H(21)\cdots O(6^{iv})^{(b)}$	2.699	166	2.368
		$O_w(2)-H(22)\cdots O(6^{ii})^{(b)}$	2.994	153	

Table II. Some structural data for CaH(CH3COO)3 · H2O

^(a) O(4), O(5) and O(6) are oxygens from acetate ions; O(11) is carbonyl oxygen (C=O) of AcOH(2)

 $^{(b)}O(6)$ and O(3) are oxygen from acetate ions

vibrations of the two water molecules is about 320 cm⁻¹, indicating a significant difference in the strength of the hydrogen bonds formed by H₂O(1) and H₂O(2). The bending modes of the two water molecules are only seen in the spectrum at LNT at 1670 and 1644 cm⁻¹ (Figure 2b). Correspondingly, the weak bands at 3390 and 3280 cm⁻¹ are probably due to the overtone $2\delta_{H_2O}$ of the water molecules.

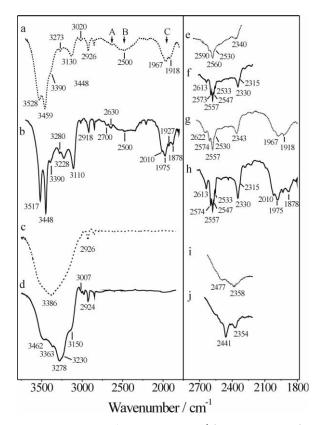


Figure 5. IR spectra in the 4000-1800 cm⁻¹ frequency region of (a, b) CAHAC; (c, d) CAAC; (e, f) deuterated (10 % D₂O) CAHAC; (g, h) deuterated (40 % D₂O) CADAC; (i, j) deuterated (10 % D₂O) CAAC (--- at ambient temperature; — at liquid nitrogen temperature).

2.803 166 2.699 166 2.368 2.994 153 oxygen (C=O) of AcOH(2) In accordance with the structural data, four uncoupled OD modes, corresponding to the four different hydrogen bond lengths (Table II), are expected to be observed in the IR spectrum of the isotopically diluted sample (up to 10 % D₂O). As seen from Figure 5e, a band at 2340 cm⁻¹ and three bands at higher frequencies, namely at 2590 (shoulder), 2560 and 2530 (shoulder) cm⁻¹, appear in the IR spectrum of the isotopically diluted sample at ambient temperature. The temperature decrease results in an increased number of bands observed in the OD stretching mode region. The band at 2340 cm⁻¹ transforms into two bands at 2330 and 2315 (shoulder) cm⁻¹ split into four sharp bands at 2533, 2547, 2557 and 2573 cm⁻¹ (Figure 5f) A hand at 2613

(shoulder) cm⁻¹ while the three bands in the region of 2590-2530 cm⁻¹ split into four sharp bands at 2533, 2547, 2557 and 2573 cm⁻¹ (Figure 5f). A band at 2613 cm⁻¹, weaker and broader than the other bands in the region, is also seen. Taking into account that $H_2O(2)$ forms stronger hydrogen bonds than $H_2O(1)$ we assign the bands at 2330 and 2315 cm⁻¹ to H₂O(2) and they correspond to hydrogen bond lengths of 2.750 and 2.732 Å, respectively. Then, the higher wavenumbered OD bands, most probably those in the range of 2590–2530 cm⁻¹, should be attributed to $H_2O(1)$. Obviously, the number of the OD bands observed for $H_2O(1)$ (three and four bands at ambient and liquid nitrogen temperatures, respectively) is larger than the two bands expected from the structural data. Two possible explanations of this fact could be proposed. The first is based on the assumption that $H_2O(1)$ molecules are orientationally disordered both at ambient and liquid nitrogen temperatures, but the structure becomes more ordered at LNT, which is shown by the small half-width of the bands (5-8 cm⁻¹). In the case of orientational disorder, distinct OD modes should be observed for each position occupied by disordered hydrogen atoms, as it has been established by both spectroscopic and X-ray diffraction studies of MgSO3 · 3H2O at ambient and liquid nitrogen temperatures.40,41 The other reason, discus-

sed in the literature, resulting in an increase in the num-

ber of crystallographically non-equivalent protons, might be protonic order-disorder phase transition (second order type). Structural changes during these phase transitions are associated with a loss of symmetry element and thus the number of the crystallographically different water molecules increases. For example, $K_4Fe(CN)_6 \cdot 3H_2O$ is known to undergo phase transition from paraelectric (SG C_{2h}⁶) to ferroelectric form (SG C_s⁴) at 249 K (Curie temperature, T_c).⁴² Above T_c there are two kinds of water molecules. Below T_c the inversion centre of the lattice is lost and the set of H₂O(2) molecules splits into non-equivalent groups $-H_2O(2)$ and $H_2O(3)$, which results in an increase in the number of the OH bands observed in the IR and Raman spectra.⁴² Using adiabatic calorimetry and IR spectroscopy, White and Falk have established that order-disorder phase transition occurs in $Me(ClO_4)_2$. $6H_2O$ (Me = Mg, Cd) at 10 K, related to the increase in the number of distinguishable types of water protons.⁴³ Thus, one OD mode is observed in the IR spectra of the two salts at ambient temperature (one type symmetric water molecule), while 16 and 5 OD bands are observed in the IR spectra of $Mg(ClO_4)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$ and $Cd(ClO_4)_2 \cdot$ 6H₂O, respectively, at 10 K. In both cases (orientational disorder and second order type phase transition), the number of bending vibrations of the H2O molecules should increase.^{40,43} As commented above, two $\delta_{\rm H_{2}O}$ modes are identified in the IR spectrum of CAHAC at LNT. However, in the IR spectrum of the deuterated sample (40 % D_2O), three bands at 1205, 1217 and 1238 cm⁻¹, which fall in the region free from other vibrations, are clearly seen at ambient temperature (Figure 2c). They exhibit appropriate both isotopic (1.33-1.35) and temperature shifts (Figure 2d) and may be attributed to δ_{D_2O} of water molecules. However, the assumptions made by us for CAHAC need additional studies, especially neutron diffraction studies at ambient and liquid nitrogen temperatures. Since these data are lacking, the IR spectra in this region, especially at LNT, could not be discussed in detail.

Some additional information could be derived if we compare the average values of the v_{OD} modes observed for H₂O(1) (\overline{v}_{exp} is 2557 cm⁻¹) and H₂O(2) (\overline{v}_{exp} is 2322 cm⁻¹), corresponding to the average O_w...O distances of 2.87 and 2.74 Å, respectively, with the v_{OD} values calculated according to Mikenda's correlation curve44 (uncoupled v_{OD} modes versus O···O distances) for the same hydrogen bond lengths. The values thus calculated are: \overline{v}_{calc} about 2500 cm⁻¹ for H₂O(1) and \overline{v}_{calc} about 2400 cm⁻¹ for H₂O(2). Deviations of the experimental \overline{v}_{exp} values from the calculated ones ($\Delta v_{OD} = \overline{v}_{exp} - \overline{v}_{calc}$) are: $\Delta v_{\rm OD} = +57 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (above Mikenda's curve) and $\Delta v_{\rm OD} =$ -78 cm⁻¹ (below Mikenda's curve) for H₂O(1) and $H_2O(2)$, respectively. In our opinion, these findings evidence that the non-coordinated acetate oxygen O(5) is a stronger hydrogen bond acceptor than the carbonyl oxygen O(11) of AcOH(2).

Two sets of water librations (rocking, twisting, wagging) are expected to appear in the IR spectrum of CAHAC, corresponding to the two types of water molecules in the lattice. Since both water molecules are in a trigonal environment, the frequency sequence of the librations should be rock > twist > wag and the intensity sequence should be wag > rock > twist.⁴⁵ All librational modes increase in intensity, decrease in half-width and shift to higher frequencies at LNT as compared to ambient temperature. In agreement with these findings, the bands at 768 and 577 cm⁻¹ in the IR spectrum at ambient temperature are attributed to rocking and wagging vibrations, respectively (Figure 3a). At LNT, doublet bands at 795, 775, 600 (shoulder) and 572 cm⁻¹ are observed for each mode (Figure 3b). In the IR spectrum of 40 % deuterated sample, new bands appear at 507, 490, 427 and 416 cm⁻¹ at LNT (Figure 3d). The two lower frequency bands are due to the wagging modes of D₂O molecules (isotopic ratio 1.34), while the two higher frequency bands are assigned to the twisting vibrations of D_2O . Using the isotopic ratio 1.41–1.42 found for the twisting vibration⁴⁵ in the protonated sample, this mode has to occur in the region of 680–700 cm⁻¹, where the bending vibrations of OCO ions also appear. Probably, the band at 693 cm⁻¹ at LNT (688 cm⁻¹ at ambient temperature) is due to the twisting mode of H₂O and/or $\delta_s(OCO)$ (Table I). On deuteration, the rocking vibration exhibits an isotopic ratio of 1.37-1.39. Using this ratio, the rocking modes of the water molecules have to move to the region of 560–580 cm⁻¹, where the wagging vibrations of the residual H₂O molecules also appear. Probably, the band at 570 cm⁻¹ in the spectrum of the deuterated sample contributes to both rocking vibrations of D₂O and wagging vibrations of H₂O molecules, which could explain the broadness of this band in the spectrum of the deuterated sample (Figure 3b and 3d).

Vibrations due to Hydroxyl Groups of AcOH Molecules. - As commented above, CAHAC belongs to type B acid carboxylic salts in Speakman's classification. There are significant differences in the OH stretching mode region between the vibrational spectra of the type A and type B salts, which are discussed in the literature.^{1–3} The main spectral feature of type A salts is a very strong and broad absorption below 1200 cm⁻¹, assigned to the stretching vibration of the symmetric hydrogen bonds $(v_{OH\cdots O})$. Spectra of this type are denoted by Hadži as »(ii) group spectra«.¹ Type B acid salts exhibit the so designated »(i) group« vibrational spectra, which are characterized by the appearance of several, most often three broad bands in the region of 2900–1600 cm⁻¹, known as ABC bands. They have a complicated structure and are made up of a large number of unresolved components. Thus, ABC bands appear near 2900, 2600 and 1900 cm⁻¹ in the case of carboxylic dimers and adducts.^{1,33–35} With increasing the hydrogen bond strength, the bands near 2900 cm^{-1} (A band) and 2600 cm^{-1} (B band) shift to lower frequencies, whereas the third band (C band) remains practically firm.^{1,2,22-24,46} At the same time, the intensities of both A and B bands decrease with decreasing O-H…O bond distances, whereas the C band increases in intensity. Furthermore, the C being strong, the A band vanishes simultaneously in intensity, which makes the $\overline{v}(AB)$ approach the frequency of the B band, *i.e.*, a (AB) \leftrightarrow C »doublet« is observed in the spectra.⁴⁶ The characteristic ABC trio is also observed in hydrogen phosphates, arsenates, sulphates, selenates at about 2700, 2200 and 1600 cm⁻¹. An explanation for this behavior of the strongly hydrogen bonded system is still to be found. Several mechanisms as »inter- or intrabond« tunnelling of the proton, Fermi resonances between v(OH) stretching vibrations and overtones of the bending modes ($2\delta_{OH}$ and $2\gamma_{OH}$), and strong or inharmonic coupling of the different $v_{(OH\dots O)}$ modes are discussed.^{46–49}

It is clearly seen from Figure 5a that mainly two broad bands can be distinguished in the range of 2800-1800 cm⁻¹ in the IR spectrum of CAHAC, which are absent in that of CAAC (compare Figures 5a and 5c). The first band, centered near 2500 cm⁻¹, is very broad (halfwidth of 600 cm⁻¹) and it has some poorly resolved submaxima of lower intensity (about 2600–2700 cm⁻¹). The second band, stronger than the first one, appears in the range of 2200-1850 cm⁻¹ (half-width of 350 cm⁻¹) and has two well defined maxima at 1967 and 1918 cm⁻¹. At LNT, there is no essential change in the intensities, positions and half-widths of the two broad bands - only some submaxima become better resolved, for example at 2700, 2630 and 2500 cm⁻¹ (Figure 5b). In the Raman spectrum of CAHAC, two very weak bands centered near 2450 and 1950 cm⁻¹ are seen (the spectrum is not shown). Taking into account both the vibrational characteristics of these bands and the literature data, the first broad band at 2500 cm⁻¹ could be designated as a complex (AB) band with vanishing A band (the absorption maxima with low intensity at 2700 and 2630 cm⁻¹) and the second one (at 1950 cm⁻¹) as C band. Frequency positions and intensities of the (AB) and C bands provide evidence for the formation of strong hydrogen bonds³⁸ in CAHAC in agreement with the calculated hydrogen bond energy and the reported O…O distances of 2.55 Å. It should be also mentioned that the profile and position of ABC bands in CAHAC highly resemble those found in other type B acid salts such as KHPh²² and KHCO3⁵⁰ with similar hydrogen bond lengths.

The behavior of ABC bands on deuteration is widely discussed in the literaure.^{1–3,22–24,33–35} However, in the present study the low extent of deuteration of the sample does not allow any comment. Moreover, the presence of crystallization waters, whose OD stretching bands fall in the region where (AB) bands appear (see Figure 5g and 5h) complicate the analysis of the spectra.

As far as the possible origin of (AB) and C bands in CAHAC is concerned, we are not able to answer that question based only on our study and hence we leave it open for further studies and discussions. However, taking into account the tentative interpretations given in the literature, we might mention that some overtones $(2\delta_{OH} \approx 2700 \text{ cm}^{-1})$, $2v_{C-O} \approx 2600 \text{ cm}^{-1})$, $2\gamma_{OH} (\approx 2000 \text{ cm}^{-1})$) and combination vibrations ($\delta_{OH} + \gamma_{OH} \approx 2400 \text{ cm}^{-1}$)) in the CAHAC spectra have appropriate frequencies to interact with v_{OH} fundamentals, thus generating (AB)C bands.

Hydrogen Bond Vibrations in $Ca(CH_3COO)_2 \cdot H_2O$

According to the structural data,¹⁷ the H₂O(1) and H₂O(2) molecules in CAAC (both in C_1 site symmetry) are involved in four different hydrogen bonds. Some structural data are given in Table II. Both H₂O(1) and H₂O(2) are coordinated to Ca(2) ions with similar Ca-O_w distances. H₂O(1) forms hydrogen bonds with O(6) (non-coordinated acetate oxygen) and O(3) (coordinated to Ca(2)), while H₂O(2) forms hydrogen bonds with O(6) only (O(6) and O(3) belong to the neighboring double-stranded Ca-chains).

The IR spectra of calcium acetate monohydrate in the high frequency region are given in Figure 5c and 5d. A broad band centered at 3386 cm⁻¹ is observed in the spectrum at ambient temperature, while five maxima are clearly seen at LNT (Figure 5d). Bands at 3462, 3278, 3230 and 3150 cm⁻¹ may be attributed to the OH stretches of water molecules. The corresponding bending vibrations appear at 1693 and 1659 cm⁻¹ at LNT (Figure 2f). The maximum at 3363 cm⁻¹ is probably due to the overtone $2\delta_{H_2O}$. Water librations are better seen in the spectrum at LNT (Figure 3f). Bands at 768 and 750 cm⁻¹ (shoulder) are attributed to the rocking modes and those at 711 and 555 cm⁻¹ to twisting and wagging vibrations, respectively.

Four uncoupled OD modes are expected to appear in the IR spectrum of the isotopically diluted sample, corresponding to the four hydrogen bond lengths. However, at ambient and liquid nitrogen temperatures the spectra reveal only two bands at 2354 and 2441 cm⁻¹ (data at LNT), which show a positive temperature dependence (Figure 5i and 5j). This experimental result cannot be simply explained by the available structural data because: (i) hydrogen bond lengths are too different - from 2.7 to 3 Å (see Table II) and a large difference in the v_{OD} modes (about 150-200 cm⁻¹) should be expected in accordance with Mikenda's correlation curve.44 Actually, the frequency separation observed between the two v_{OD} modes is only 87 cm^{-1} ; (ii) the proton donor strength of $H_2O(1)$ and $H_2O(2)$ is practically equal (too close Ca-O_w) distances); (iii) three of the hydrogen bonds are formed with one crystallographic type oxygen (O(6)), exhibiting one and the same acceptor ability with respect to water

protons. Taking into account these considerations, the $v_{\rm OD}$ modes could not be assigned unambiguously, but their frequency positions evidence that the water molecules in calcium acetate monohydrate form intermediate strong hydrogen bonds.^{38,45}

CONCLUSION

Analysis of the IR and Raman spectra of calcium hydrogen triacetate monohydrate, $CaH(CH_3COO)_3 \cdot H_2O$, confirms, from the spectroscopic point of view, the structural data that this compound belongs to type B acid salts in Speakman's classification. Thus, the δ_{OH} and γ_{OH} modes ($\delta_{\rm OD}$ and $\gamma_{\rm OD}$, respectively) are found to appear at wavenumbers close to those in other type B acid salts, but they are at lower wavenumbers than those in type A salts. The main spectral feature in the region above 1800 cm⁻¹ is the appearance of two broad bands at about 2500 and 1950 cm⁻¹, designated as (AB) and C bands, respectively. They are probably due to some overtones and combinations involving OH bending modes enhanced by Fermi resonance with the v_{OH} fundamentals. The energy of hydrogen bonds ($-\Delta H$ of formation) formed between the acetic acid moieties is calculated to be 52.7 and 48.4 kJ mol⁻¹, respectively, using the frequencies of the γ_{OH} modes. The profile and frequency positions of ABC bands as well as the calculated values of ΔH provide evidence for the formation of strong hydrogen bonds³⁸ in agreement with the reported O.O distances of 2.55 Å. Frequencies of the OH and uncoupled OD modes (isotopically diluted sample) of crystallization water show that the $H_2O(2)$ molecules form stronger hydrogen bonds than the $H_2O(1)$ molecules and that the non-coordinated acetate oxygen is stronger hydrogen bond acceptor than the carbonyl oxygen. The IR and Raman spectra of the neutral salt, $Ca(CH_3COO)_2 \cdot H_2O$, are also presented and discussed. Wavenumbers of the uncoupled OD modes in $Ca(CH_3COO)_2 \cdot H_2O$ reveal that crystallization water forms intermediate strong hydrogen bonds.

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SAŽETAK

Vibracijsko ponašanje kalcijeva vodikova triacetata monohidrata, CaH(CH₃COO)₃ · H₂0

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Infracrveni (IR) i Ramanovi spektri kalcijeva vodikova triacetata monohidrata, CaH(CH₃COO)₃ · H₂0, (po Speakmanovoj klasifikaciji: kisela sol tipa B), prikazani su u frekvencijskome području 4000–400 cm⁻¹. Razmatrani su s obzirom na osnovne vibracije specija octene kiseline (CH₃COO⁻ i CH₃COOH) i vibracije vodikovih veza hidroksilnih skupina iz CH₃COOH te molekula vode. Glavno spektralno obilježje u području istezanja v(OH) jest pojava dviju širokih vrpci pri približno 2500 i 1950 cm⁻¹, označenih kao vrpce (AB) odnosno C. Nazočnost vrpci ABC s položajem pripadnih frekvencija i intenziteta, te frekvencija δ_{OH} i γ_{OH} , spektroskopski je dokaz za postojanje jakih asimetričnih vodikovih veza među specijama octene kiseline. Izračunane su entalpije njihova stvaranja (ΔH) i dobivene su vrijednosti –48,4 i –52,7 kJ mol⁻¹. Frekvencije raspregnutih OD istezanja kristalne vode pokazuju, da H₂O (2) tvori jače vodikove veze nego H₂O(1) te da je nekoordinirani acetatni kisik jači akceptor vodikove veze od karbonilnoga kisika. Također su prikazani i prodiskutirani IR i Ramanovi spektri CaH(CH₃COO)₃ · H₂0.

