

All data taken at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
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Composite spectrum for: Trichloroethylene

- First Column: Position in wavenumber (cm^{-1})
- Second column: Real refractive index $n(\tilde{\nu})$ (dispersion index)
- Third column: Imaginary refractive index, $k(\tilde{\nu})$ (absorption index per unit length in centimeters)

Where the complex refractive index $\hat{n} = n(\tilde{\nu}) + ik(\tilde{\nu})$

Following Bertie (in the references below) we define the absorbance as $A = -\log_{10}(I/I_0)$ and the linear absorption coefficient $K = A/d$, where d is the path length. The connection between the imaginary refractive index and the absorbance coefficient arises from the following: $2.303K = 4\pi\tilde{\nu}k$

See the following references for a detailed description of terms and units:

- 1) Bertie, J. E., Zhang, S. L., Eysel, H. H., Baluja, S., & Ahmed, M. K. (1993). Infrared Intensities of Liquids XI: Infrared Refractive Indices from 8000 to 2 cm^{-1} , Absolute Integrated Intensities, and Dipole Moment Derivatives of Methanol at 25°C . *Appl. Spec.*, 47(8), 1100-1114 doi:10.1366/0003702934067973
- 2) Bertie, J. E., Zhang, S. L., & Keefe, C. D. (1995). Measurement and use of absolute infrared absorption intensities of neat liquids. *Vibrational Spectroscopy*, 8(2), 215-229. doi:10.1016/0924-2031(94)00038-i

Sample:

- Chemical name, formula and CAS number: Trichloroethylene, C_2HCl_3 , [79-01-6]
- IUPAC name: 1,1,2-trichloroethene
- Synonyms: Trichloroethene, TCE
- Physical properties: FW = 131.39 g/mole; mp = -86.4°C ; bp = 86.7°C ; $\rho = 1.463\text{ g/cm}^3$
- Supplier and stated purity: MIR: Sigma-Aldrich, $\geq 99.5\%$ (Lot # STBF8676V); NIR: Alfa Aesar, 99.5% (Lot # N15F706)
- Temperature of sample: 26°C ($\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$)
- Individual samples were measured at the following path lengths: MIR: 2.8, 4.6, 37.7, 99.2, 205, 517 and $1085\text{ }\mu\text{m}$; NIR: 115, 282, 508, 2140 and $4114\text{ }\mu\text{m}$. Final data are a composite of these spectra.
- Sample cell window material is potassium bromide (KBr) except for the 2140 and $4114\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ cells which are potassium chloride (KCl).
- Preparation: None.

NIR Instrument Parameters:

- Bruker Vertex 70, purged with UHP nitrogen
- Spectral range: 10,000 to $3,000\text{ cm}^{-1}$ (1.0 to 3.33 microns)
- IR source: Quartz tungsten bulb
- Beamsplitter: Broadband Potassium bromide (KBr)
- Detector: DLTGS at room temperature
- Aperture: 3 mm
- Folding limits: 31604.8 to 0 cm^{-1}

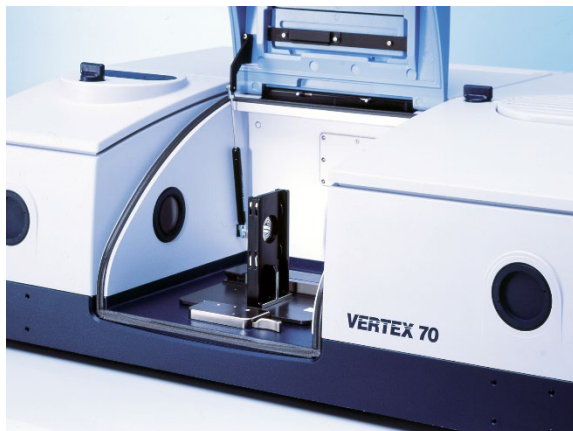
MIR Instrument Parameters:

- Tensor 27, purged with UHP nitrogen
- Spectral range: $7,800$ to 400 cm^{-1} (1.282 to 25 microns)
- NIR source: Silicon carbide glow bar
- Beamsplitter: Broadband Potassium bromide (KBr)
- Detector: DLTGS at room temperature
- Aperture: 3 mm
- Folding limits: 15802 to 0 cm^{-1}

NIR/MIR Instrument Parameters:

- Instrument resolution: 2.0 cm^{-1}
- Number of interferograms averaged per single channel spectrum: 128
- Apodization: Norton-Beer, Medium
- Phase correction: Mertz
- Scanner velocity: 10 kHz
- Interferogram zerofill: 4x
- Spectral interval after zerofilling: 0.4823 cm^{-1}

a)



b)



Figure 1: The Bruker Vertex 70 FTIR (a) and Tensor 27 FTIR (b).

Measured Refractive Index:

The refractive index for Trichloroethylene was measured at $25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ using an Atago model DR-M2/1550 Abbe refractometer. Notch filters were employed in front of a white light source to make measurements at multiple wavelengths. An infrared viewer from Atago was used to detect signal at 1550 nm . The temperature was controlled to match that in the sample compartment of the FTIR using a heated circulating bath.

480 nm: $n = 1.4836$	486 nm: $n = 1.4832$	546 nm: $n = 1.4774$
589 nm: $n = 1.4737$	644 nm: $n = 1.4709$	656 nm: $n = 1.4705$
1550 nm: $n = 1.4528$		

The refractive index, n , vs. wavelength in microns, λ , was fit to an equation similar to that of Sellmeier:

$$n(\lambda) = \{a + b/(\lambda^2 - c)\}^{1/2}$$

The resulting best-fit equation was used to find the refractive index at the highest energy data points in our experimental spectra. For Trichloroethylene, the results were

$$\begin{aligned} n(7,800\text{ cm}^{-1}) &= 1.4548 \text{ at } 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \text{ for MIR data and} \\ n(10,000\text{ cm}^{-1}) &= 1.4587 \text{ at } 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \text{ for NIR and merged data.} \end{aligned}$$


Post Processing and Related Parameters:

For the MIR, a composite spectrum was created from 7 absorbance spectra (base-10) taken at 7 path lengths: 2.8, 4.6, 37.7, 99.2, 205, 517 and 1085 micrometers (μm). For the NIR, a composite spectrum was created from 5 absorbance spectra (base-10) taken at 5 path lengths: 115, 282, 508, 2140 and 4114 μm . At each path length several spectra were measured and the results averaged for better signal to noise. The measured cell lengths were adjusted using Beer's law plots in which the NIR and MIR data were analyzed independently.

- 1) The imaginary part of the refractive index, or k vector, was determined for each absorbance file as per Bertie's program "RNJ46A" (see reference above). This takes into account the reflective losses due to the KBr and/or KCl windows.
- 2) A composite k vector is created via a classical, weighted, linear, least squares fit using the output files of program "RNJ46A": Intercept=0, slope is fitted, individual absorbance values weighted by T^2 (transmission squared), all absorbance values ≥ 2.5 are given zero weight. For the MIR, eight composite vectors were created and merged by hand.
 - a) The first k vector used the results from the 1085 and 517 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 7800 to 3170 cm^{-1} .
 - b) The second k vector used the results from the 3 through 38 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 3170 to 3065 cm^{-1} .
 - c) The third k vector used the results from the 99 through 1085 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 3065 to 1595 cm^{-1} .
 - d) The fourth k vector used the results from the 3 through 99 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 1595 to 1540 cm^{-1} .
 - e) The fifth k vector used the results from the 205 through 1085 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 1540 to 1265 cm^{-1} .
 - f) The sixth k vector used the results from the 38 and 99 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 1265 to 960 cm^{-1} and 614 to 400 cm^{-1} .
 - g) The seventh k vector used the results from the 3 and 5 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 960 to 640 cm^{-1} .
 - h) The eighth k vector used the results from the 3 and 38 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 640 to 614 cm^{-1} .
- 3) A frequency correction was applied to the resulting composite MIR k vector.
 - a) Frequency correction (already applied): $\tilde{\nu}(\text{corrected}) = [\tilde{\nu}(\text{instrument}) * 0.99977 - 0.01872]$ as determined by comparing measured atmospheric spectral lines (H_2O and CO_2) to values from the Northwest Infrared Spectral Library Database.
- 4) For the NIR, three composite vectors were created and merged by hand.
 - a) The first k vector used the results from the 2140 and 4114 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 10,000 to 6100 cm^{-1} .
 - b) The second k vector used the results from the 508 through 4114 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 6100 to 5350 cm^{-1} .
 - c) The third k vector used the results from the 115 through 4114 μm cells. This k vector determined the final values for the range from 5350 to 400 cm^{-1} .
- 5) The resulting composite NIR k vector and the refractive index at 10,000 cm^{-1} were used to create the real or n vector using the Kramers-Kronig relation, as per Bertie's program "LZZKTB."
 - a) Frequency correction (already applied): $\tilde{\nu}(\text{corrected}) = [\tilde{\nu}(\text{instrument}) * 0.999748 + 0.00481475]$ as determined by comparing measured atmospheric spectral lines (H_2O and CO_2) to values from the Northwest Infrared Spectral Library Database.
- 6) Finally, the MIR data were mapped onto the NIR x-axis using an interpolation routine, i.e. the Make Compatible command in OPUS 5.5. Then the composite MIR and NIR k vectors were merged to generate a final composite k vector across the entire spectral range. The NIR data were used exclusively above 3825 cm^{-1} , and only the MIR data were used below 3725 cm^{-1} . A weighted average, with the weight of the MIR vector increasing linearly from 0 to 100% between 3825 and 3725 cm^{-1} was used in the overlapping spectral region. The resulting composite k vector and the refractive index at 10,000 cm^{-1} were used to create the final n vector using the Kramers-Kronig relation, as per Bertie's program

Photographs of Sample Trichloroethylene:



YLENE

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Trichloroethylene, ACS, 99.5% min, stab.
 Liquid
ClC(Cl)Cl

19401
 LOT: N15F706
 30ml

For research and development use
 only. All properties and hazards
 must be known. Consult MSDS.

CAS: 75-01-6
 EINECS: 201-57-4
 Fl. (20 °C): 50 MP: -55 °C
 BP: 67 °C • PD: None • d: 1.46

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 irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness. In case
 of breathing difficulty, remove to fresh air. May cause
 nausea. Harmful to aquatic life. May harm aquatic life.
 Observe special instructions before use. Do not breathe
 vapors. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wash hands
 after use. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Use
 only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Do not wear
 work clothes that will be absorbed with the substance.
 After prolonged or repeated contact with the substance
 wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/foot protection. IF SWALLOWED: Call
 a POISON CENTER or hospital/physician if you feel unwell. IF
 ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If
 absorbed: Remove to fresh air and keep at least 10 cm
 comfortable for breathing. IF IN EYES: Immediately wash
 with lots of water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if
 available and continue washing. If irritation or discomfort
 persists, consult a physician. If you experience any
 other medical condition, take off clothing and wash skin.
 Get medical attention. Take off clothing and wash skin.
 Do not use before date. Store in a well-ventilated area.
 Keep containers tightly closed. Closed at all times.
 In an approved waste disposal unit.

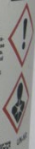
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Figure 3: Trichloroethylene in Alfa Aesar container for NIR measurements.