

Supporting Information

Does a Nitrogen Lone Pair Lead to Two Centered – Three Electron (2c-3e) Interactions in Pyridyl Radical Isomers?

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Table S1: Electronic and thermodynamic parameters of all the radical isomers and their respective parents at both (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ and (U)M06/cc-pVTZ levels of theory. Normal font indicates (U)B3LYP and italics represent (U)M06.

| Species | Absolute energy (Hartrees) | ZPVE (Hartrees) | Lowest frequency | Spin Contamination | | Point group | Electronic state | Absolute free energy (G) (Hartrees) | Absolute Enthalpy (H) (Hartrees) |
|-----------|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | Before annihilation | After annihilation | | | | |
| 1 | -248.37319 | 0.088611 | 385.54 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | C _{2v} | ¹ A ₁ | -248.31131 | -248.27937 |
| | -248.17229 | 0.088222 | 376.68 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | | | -248.11081 | -248.07883 |
| 1a | -247.69339 | 0.075746 | 386.75 | 0.7552 | 0.7500 | C _s | ² A' | -247.64561 | -247.61245 |
| | -247.49468 | 0.075448 | 376.52 | 0.7584 | 0.7500 | | | -247.44720 | -247.41400 |
| 1b | -247.68336 | 0.075550 | 391.16 | 0.7570 | 0.7500 | C _s | ² A' | -247.63577 | -247.60262 |
| | -247.48606 | 0.075325 | 381.60 | 0.7626 | 0.7501 | | | -247.43870 | -247.40552 |
| 1c | -247.68519 | 0.075321 | 380.29 | 0.7563 | 0.7500 | C _{2v} | ² A ₁ | -247.63717 | -247.60469 |
| | -247.48811 | 0.075106 | 365.84 | 0.7618 | 0.7501 | | | -247.44032 | -247.40779 |
| 2 | -248.74382 | 0.102891 | 393.19 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | C _{2v} | ¹ A ₁ | -248.66776 | -248.63563 |
| | -248.54114 | 0.102296 | 384.93 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | | | -248.46568 | -248.43350 |
| 2a | -248.04299 | 0.089265 | 384.25 | 0.7573 | 0.7500 | C _s | ² A' | -248.98179 | -248.94844 |
| | -248.84509 | 0.088901 | 373.64 | 0.7623 | 0.7501 | | | -248.78426 | -248.75087 |
| 2b | -248.04440 | 0.089526 | 379.22 | 0.7567 | 0.7500 | C _s | ² A' | -248.98294 | -248.94959 |
| | -247.84697 | 0.089131 | 367.24 | 0.7618 | 0.7501 | | | -247.78591 | -247.75251 |
| 2c | -248.04825 | 0.089534 | 390.59 | 0.7564 | 0.7500 | C _{2v} | ² A ₁ | -247.98611 | -247.95345 |
| | -248.85048 | 0.089123 | 380.58 | 0.7629 | 0.7501 | | | -247.78876 | -247.75605 |
| 3 | -323.56750 | 0.092807 | 211.02 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | C _{2v} | ¹ A ₁ | -323.50274 | -323.46870 |
| | -323.32992 | 0.092503 | 211.25 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | | | -323.26546 | -323.23141 |
| 3a | -322.86826 | 0.079324 | 198.66 | 0.7623 | 0.7501 | C _s | ² A' | -322.81832 | -322.78287 |
| | -322.63503 | 0.079289 | 200.16 | 0.7677 | 0.7501 | | | -322.58511 | -322.54967 |
| 3b | -322.87665 | 0.079527 | 206.68 | 0.7581 | 0.7500 | C _s | ² A' | -322.82642 | -322.79113 |
| | -322.64360 | 0.079458 | 206.75 | 0.7637 | 0.7501 | | | -322.59343 | -322.55814 |
| 3c | -322.87402 | 0.079597 | 218.88 | 0.7641 | 0.7501 | C _{2v} | ² A ₁ | -322.82307 | -322.78842 |
| | -322.64134 | 0.079481 | 219.47 | 0.7723 | 0.7502 | | | -322.59049 | -322.55585 |

Table S2: Energies of all the radicals at different electronic state and the corresponding energy difference at (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ level of theory.

| Species | Radical isomer | Ground Electronic state (GS) | | Excited electronic state (ES) | | ΔE (ES-GS) kcal/mol |
|--------------------------|----------------|--|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | Energy (in Hartrees) (Electronic state) | Number of Imaginary frequencies | Energy (in Hartrees) (Electronic state) | Number of imaginary frequency | |
| Pyridyl radicals | 1a | -247.61766 ($^2A'$) | 0 | -247.51217 ($^2A''$) | 1 | 65.6 |
| | 1b | -247.60781 ($^2A'$) | 0 | -247.52383 ($^2A''$) | 1 | 52.7 |
| | 1c | -247.60987 (2A_1) | 0 | -247.51157 (2B_1) | 2 | 61.7 |
| Pyridiny radicals | 2a | -247.95373 ($^2A'$) | 0 | -247.87470 ($^2A''$) | 0 | 49.6 |
| | 2b | -247.95488 ($^2A'$) | 0 | -247.85437 ($^2A''$) | 1 | 63.1 |
| | 2c | -247.95872 (2A_1) | 0 | -247.83451 (2B_1) | 1 | 77.9 |
| Pyridyl-N-oxide radicals | 3a | -322.78894 ($^2A'$) | 0 | -322.76529 ($^2A''$) | 0 | 14.8 |
| | 3b | -322.79713 ($^2A'$) | 0 | -322.74643 ($^2A''$) | 0 | 31.8 |
| | 3c | -322.79443 (2A_1) | 0 | -322.74903 (2B_1) | 0 | 28.5 |

Table S3. Relative stability order of isomeric pyridyl **1a-c**, pyridinyl **2a-c**, and pyridyl-N-oxide **3a-c** radicals at different levels of theory.

| Level of theory | Relative energy ^a (kcal/mol) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|-----------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|-----|
| | Pyridyl radicals | | | Pyridinyl radicals | | | Pyridyl-N-oxide radicals | | |
| | 1a | 1b | 1c | 2a | 2b | 2c | 3a | 3b | |
| (U)B3LYP/6-311++G(d,p) | 0.0 | 6.0 | 4.7 | 3.1 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVDZ | 0.0 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 1.9 |
| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | 0.0 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVQZ | 0.0 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 |
| (U)B3LYP/aug-cc-pVDZ | 0.0 | 5.8 | 4.6 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| (U)B3LYP/aug-cc-pVTZ | 0.0 | 6.1 | 4.8 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| (U)B3LYP/aug-cc-pVQZ | 0.0 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 3.1 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| (U)BLYP/cc-pVTZ | 0.0 | 5.7 | 4.9 | 2.9 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 2.8 |
| (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | 0.0 | 5.3 | 3.9 | 3.2 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 1.4 |
| CBS-QB3 | 0.0 | 6.8 | 5.4 | 3.8 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| (U)CCSD(T)/cc-pVTZ//(U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ ^b | 0.0 | 5.8 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 |

^aZero-point energy corrected; ^bSingle point energy calculation performed at (U)CCSD(T)/cc-pVTZ using (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ optimized geometry

Table S4: The second order perturbation energy from the NBO analysis at different levels of theory

| 1a | | | 1b | | | 1c | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Donor | Acceptor | $\langle E^2 \rangle^{a,b}$ | Donor | Acceptor | $\langle E^2 \rangle^{a,b}$ | Donor | Acceptor | $\langle E^2 \rangle^{a,b}$ | |
| $n_{(N1)}$ | $n^*_{(C2)}$ | 20.8 | $n_{(N1)}$ | $n^*_{(C3)}$ | 0.7 | $n_{(N1)}$ | $n^*_{(C4)}$ | - | |
| | | <i>20.6</i> | | | <i>0.8</i> | | | | |
| | | <i>23.5</i> | | | <i>0.7</i> | | | | |
| | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | 5.0 | | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | 5.1 | | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | 6.2 | |
| | | <i>5.1</i> | | | <i>5.4</i> | | | <i>6.3</i> | |
| | | <i>6.6</i> | | | <i>5.2</i> | | | <i>5.8</i> | |
| $n_{(N1)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 3.3 | $n_{(N1)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 5.8 | $n_{(N1)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 6.2 | |
| | | <i>3.5</i> | | | <i>5.7</i> | | | <i>6.3</i> | |
| | | <i>5.5</i> | | | <i>6.2</i> | | | <i>5.8</i> | |
| | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | 30.2 | | $\pi^*_{(C4-C3)}$ | 38.6 | | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C4-C3)}$ | 30.5 |
| | | <i>29.7</i> | | | <i>38.3</i> | | | | |
| | | <i>16.1</i> | | | <i>51.6</i> | | | | |
| $\pi^*_{(C4-C3)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | 41.7 | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C4-C3)}$ | 37.6 | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C4-C3)}$ | 39.8 | |
| | | <i>39.8</i> | | | <i>39.8</i> | | | <i>39.3</i> | |
| | | <i>18.3</i> | | | <i>24.3</i> | | | <i>71.6</i> | |
| 3a | | | 3b | | | 3c | | | |
| $n_{1(O11)}$ | $n^*_{(C2)}$ | 1.1 | $n_{1(O11)}$ | $n^*_{(C3)}$ | - | $n_{1(O11)}$ | $n^*_{(C4)}$ | - | |
| | | <i>0.7</i> | | | | | | | |
| | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | 5.7 | | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 0.4 | | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 0.4 | |
| | | <i>7.0</i> | | | <i>0.4</i> | | | <i>0.5</i> | |
| | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | 0.4 | | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | 7.4 | | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | 5.4 | |
| | | <i>0.5</i> | | | <i>8.0</i> | | | <i>6.2</i> | |
| | $\pi^*_{(C6-N1)}$ | 5.0 | | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | 0.4 | | $\pi^*_{(C5-C6)}$ | 0.4 | |
| | | <i>6.7</i> | | | <i>0.4</i> | | | <i>0.5</i> | |
| | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 0.4 | | $\pi^*_{(C6-N1)}$ | 4.5 | | $\pi^*_{(C6-N1)}$ | 5.4 | |
| $n_{2(O11)}$ | | <i>0.4</i> | | | <i>5.5</i> | | | <i>6.2</i> | |
| | $\pi^*_{(C6-N1)}$ | 26.9 | $n_{2(O11)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C6-N1)}$ | 34.8 | $n_{2(O11)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | 26.7 | |
| | | <i>59.5</i> | | | <i>39.6</i> | | | <i>13.9</i> | |
| $\pi^*_{(C6-N1)}$ | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 13.9 | | $\pi^*_{(C2-C3)}$ | 10.7 | | $\pi^*_{(C2-N1)}$ | 21.1 | |
| | | <i>23.7</i> | | | <i>10.6</i> | | | <i>0.85</i> | |

^aInteraction energies expressed in kcal/mol ^bBold = (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ; Italics = (U)M06/cc-pVTZ; Normal = (U)CCSD(T)/cc-pVTZ//(U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ.

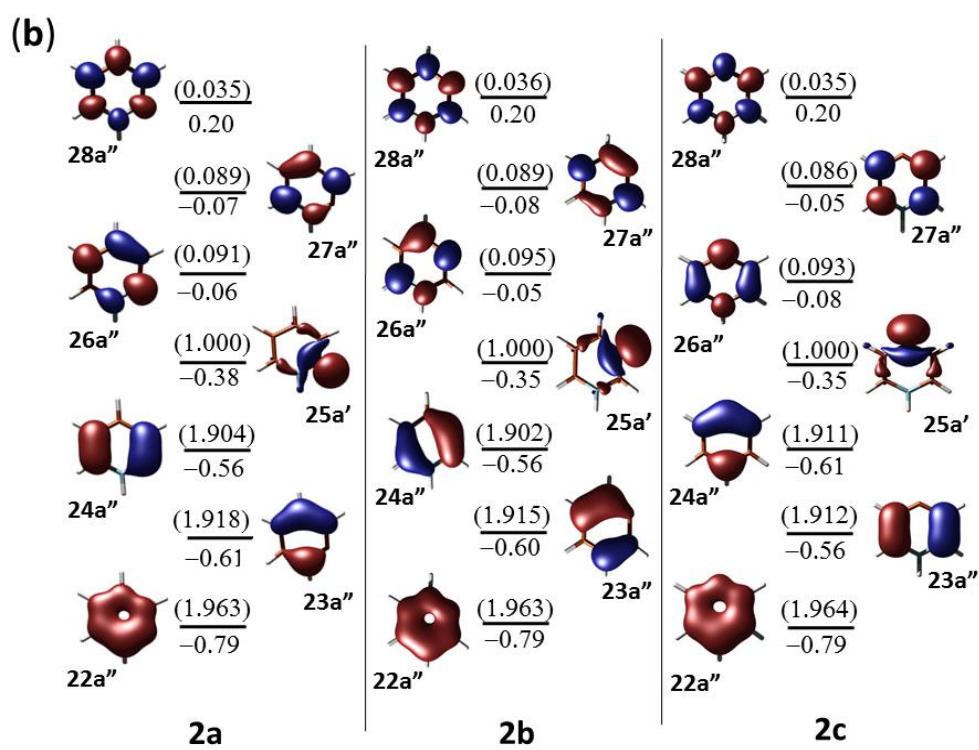
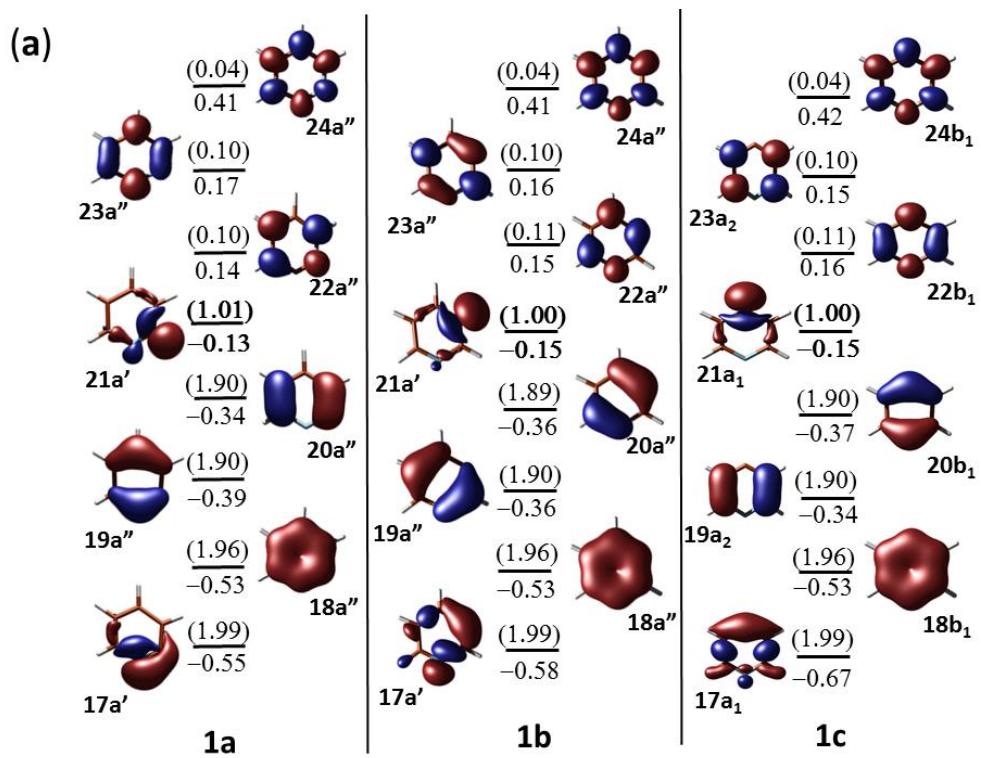
Table S5: VIE and VDE of all the radical isomers at (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ, (U)M06/ cc-pVTZ and CBS-QB3 levels of theory. The energy values are given in kcal/mol.

| Species | (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | CBS-QB3 | |
|-----------|------------------|-------|----------------|-------|---------|-------|
| | VIE | VDE | VIE | VDE | VIE | VDE |
| 1a | 178.5 | 12.8 | 172.7 | 12.8 | 176.7 | 21.8 |
| 1b | 190.5 | 27.1 | 185.3 | 26.7 | 186.8 | 36.9 |
| 1c | 193.7 | 27.9 | 189.5 | 27.6 | 193.5 | 37.2 |
| 2a | 344.5 | 163.7 | 338.3 | 162.6 | 344.9 | 169.0 |
| 2b | 335.3 | 148.9 | 330.8 | 147.4 | 336.0 | 153.1 |
| 2c | 327.6 | 144.7 | 323.1 | 143.9 | 328.1 | 148.7 |
| 3a | 213.1 | 43.6 | 210.1 | 42.5 | 206.2 | 55.7 |
| 3b | 204.2 | 39.1 | 200.6 | 38.3 | 200.3 | 50.8 |
| 3c | 207.1 | 38.4 | 203.9 | 37.4 | 200.8 | – |

Table S6: Computed frequency shifts in the selected normal modes of the isomeric pyridyl **1a-c**, pyridinyl **2a-c**, and pyridyl-N-oxide **3a-c** radicals, relative to the corresponding modes in pyridine

| | Normal mode | Symmetry | (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | v (cm ⁻¹) | Δv ^a (cm ⁻¹) | v (cm ⁻¹) | Δv ^a (cm ⁻¹) |
| Pyridine | | v ₂₁ | B ₂ | 1620.3 | - | 1636.4 |
| | 1 | v ₁₀ | A ₁ | 1012.3 | - | 1007.6 |
| | | v ₃ | A ₁ | 616.8 | - | 602.6 |
| Pyridyl radicals | 1a | v ₂₀ | A' | 1663.9 | 43.6 | 1667.6 |
| | 1b | v ₉ | A' | 991.1 | -21.2 | 979.6 |
| | 1c | v ₃ | A ₁ | 619.0 | 2.2 | 600.7 |
| Pyridinyl radicals | 2a | v ₂₂ | A' | 1654.6 | 34.3 | 1667.5 |
| | 2b | v ₁₀ | A' | 1014.7 | 2.4 | 1005.9 |
| | 2c | v ₃ | A ₁ | 620.0 | 3.2 | 604.2 |
| Pyridyl-N-oxide | 3a | v ₂₃ | A' | 1629.3 | 9.0 | 1645.6 |
| | 3b | v ₁₀ | A' | 847.8 | -164.5 | 852.8 |
| | 3c | v ₅ | A ₁ | 555.7 | -61.1 | 547.1 |

^aThe difference in the frequency (in cm⁻¹), Δv = v_{radical}–v_{pyridine} (A positive value indicates a blue shift and negative value indicating a red shift relative to the corresponding vibrational frequency in pyridine)



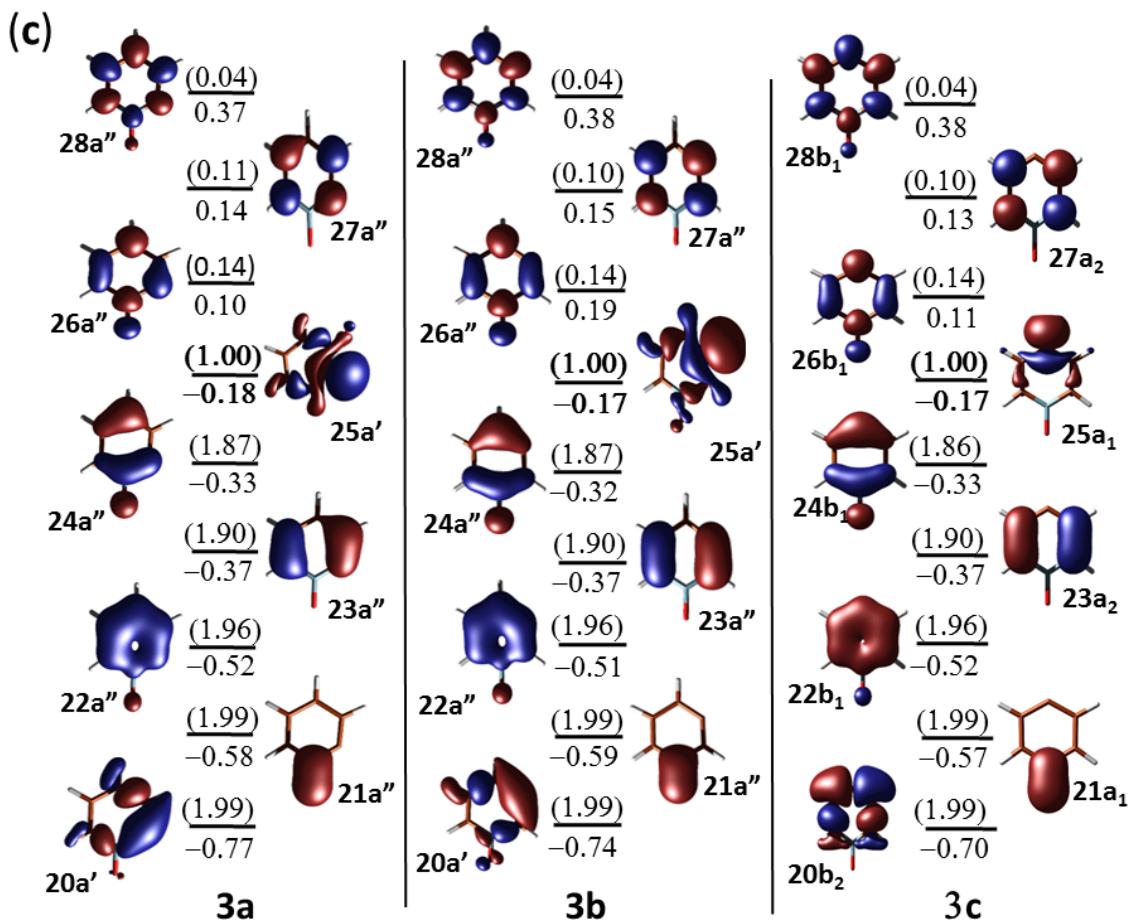


Figure S1: The complete active space molecular orbital diagrams of all the radicals at CASSCF/cc-pVTZ//(U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ level of theory; (a) pyridyl radicals **1a-c** (b) pyridinyl radicals **2a-c** (c) pyridyl-N-oxide radicals **3a-c**. The values in normal font indicate orbital energies (hartree) and values in parenthesis represent the occupancies. Orbital number and their respective symmetry are designated in bold. All the orbitals are rendered at an isovalue 0.05.

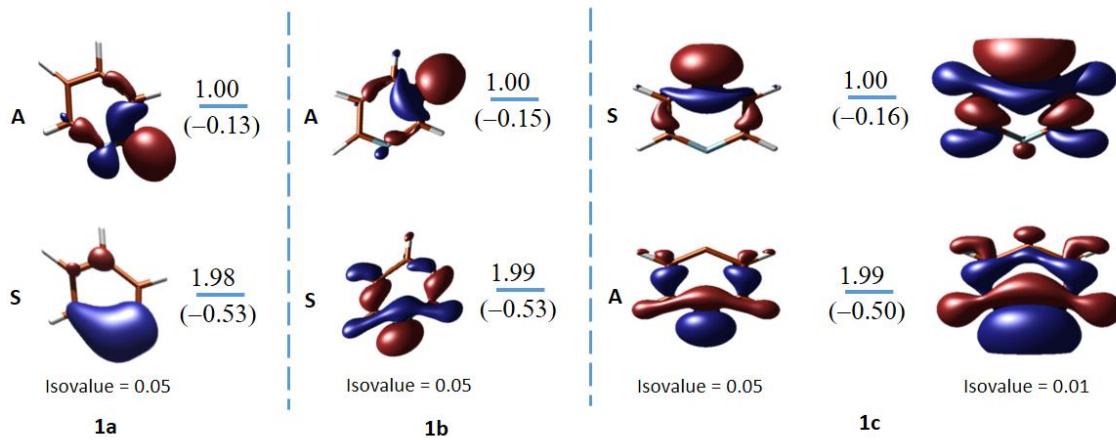


Figure S2: Molecular orbitals representing symmetric and antisymmetric combinations of lone pair and radical electron at CASSCF(3.,2)/cc-pVTZ//(U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ level of theory for pyridyl radicals **1a-c**. The values in normal font indicate orbital occupancies and values in parenthesis represent the orbital energies (in hartree). (For **1a** and **1b**, the symmetric combination of orbital corresponding to nitrogen lone pair and radical electron is found to lower in energy as compared to the anti-symmetric combination (SOMO) of those orbitals; However, in case of **1c**, the anti-symmetric combination orbital is found to be low-lying relative to the symmetric combination (SOMO) orbital. All the orbitals are rendered at an isovalue 0.05. For clarity, the SOMO and SOMO-1 orbitals of **1c** were rendered at an isovalue 0.01. This supports the consequence of dominating through bond interaction in **1c**.

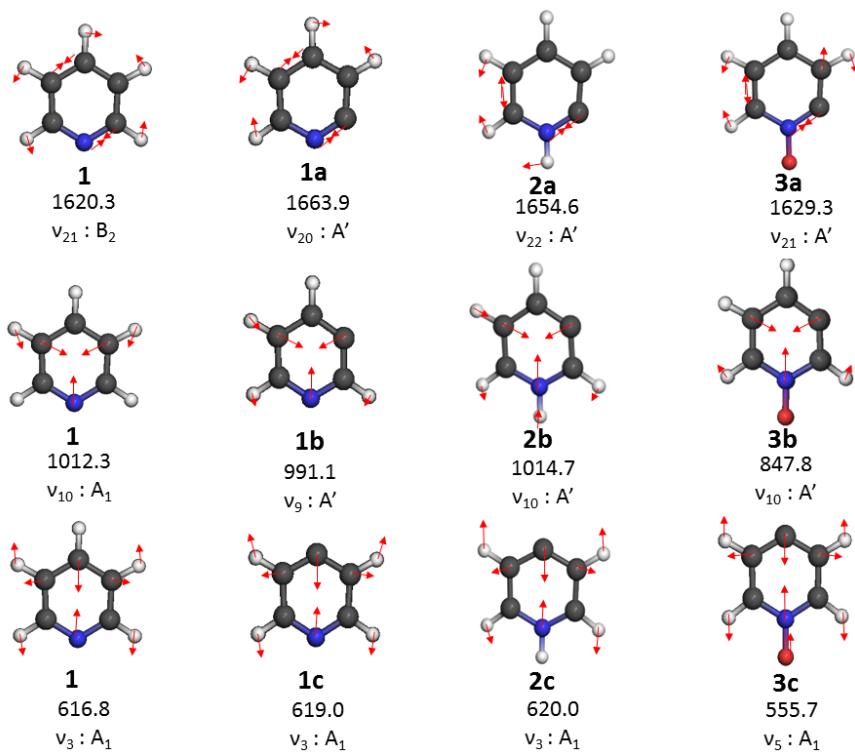
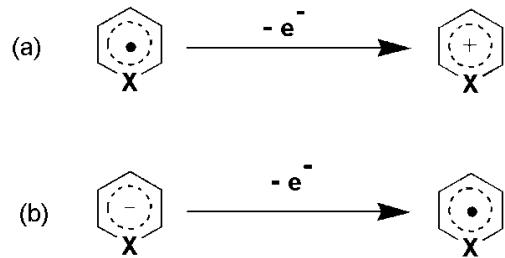


Figure S3: Selected vibrational normal modes of the pyridyl **1a-c**, pyridinyl **2a-c** and pyridyl-N-oxide **3a-c** radicals and their corresponding parent compound showing interactions between the radical center and the nitrogen atom. The frequencies (cm^{-1}), normal mode number and symmetry of each normal mode at (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ level of theory are indicated.



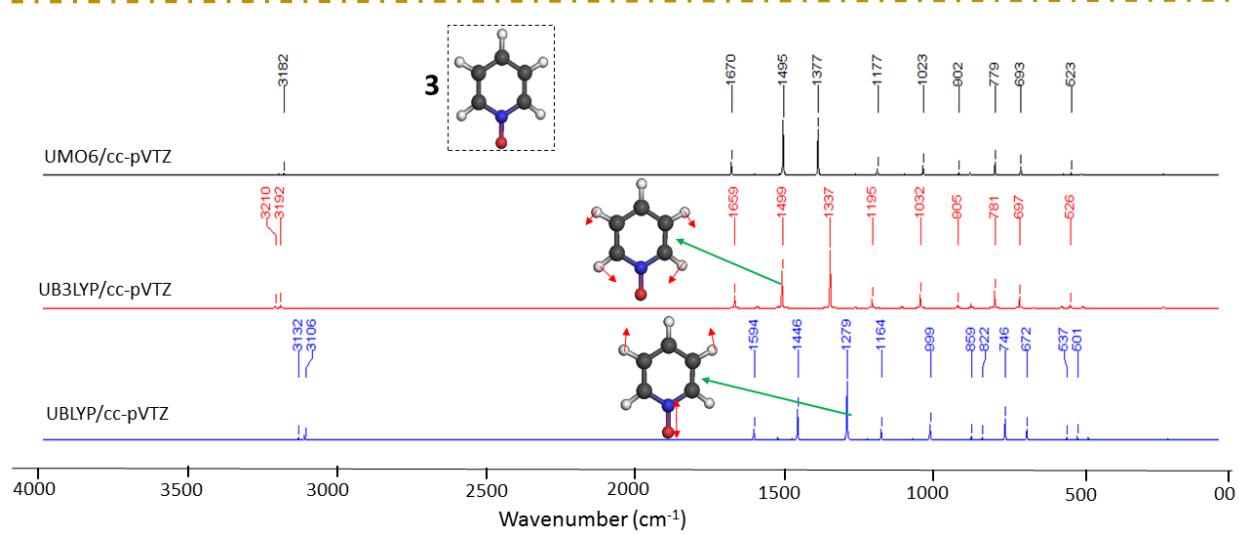
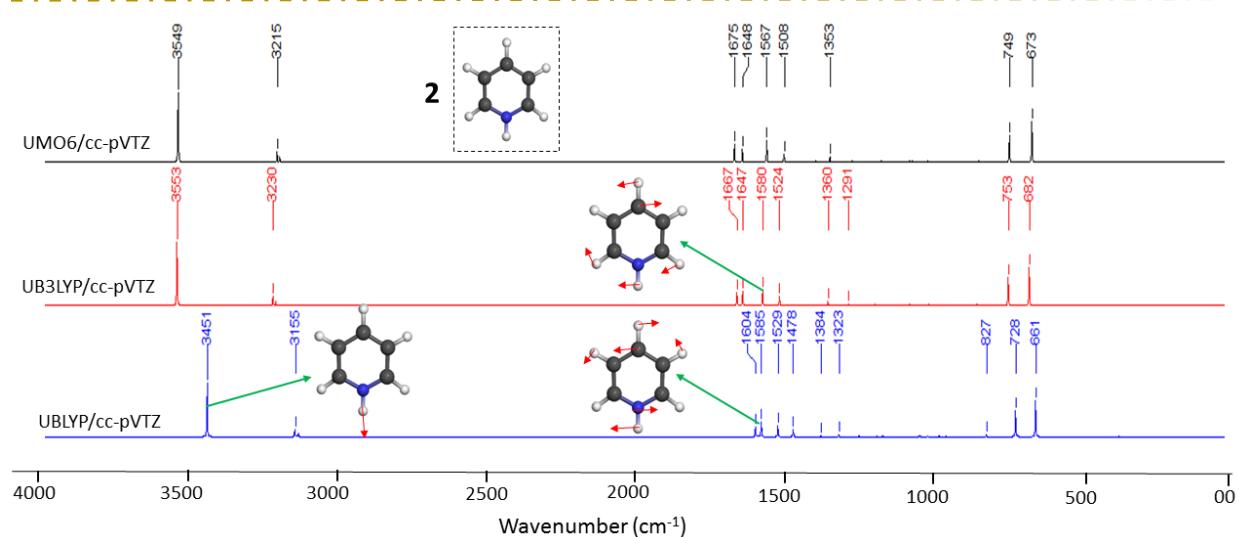
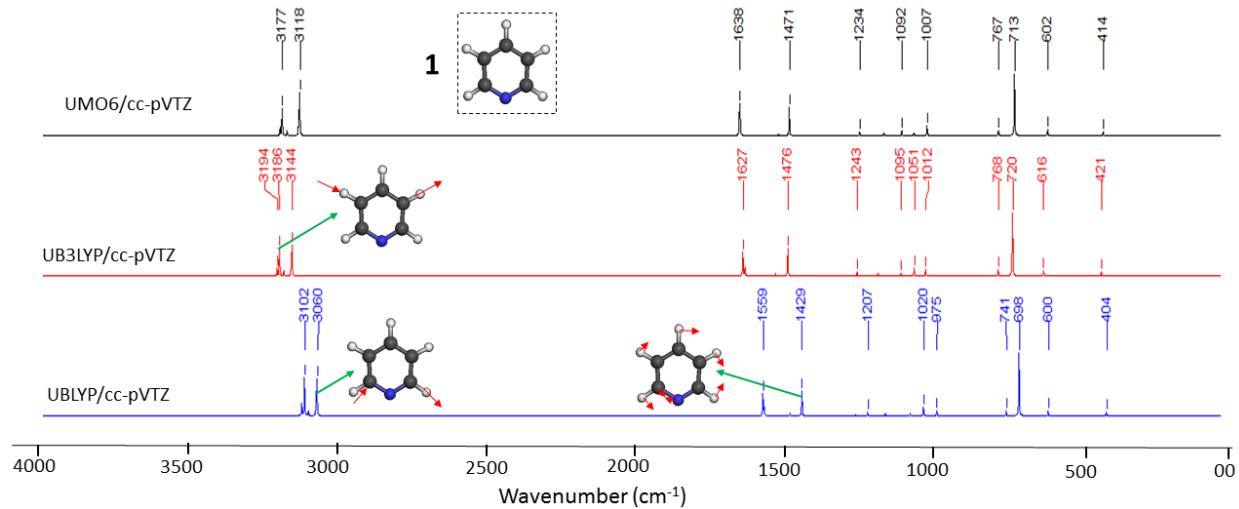
$X = N, NH^+, N^+ - O^-$

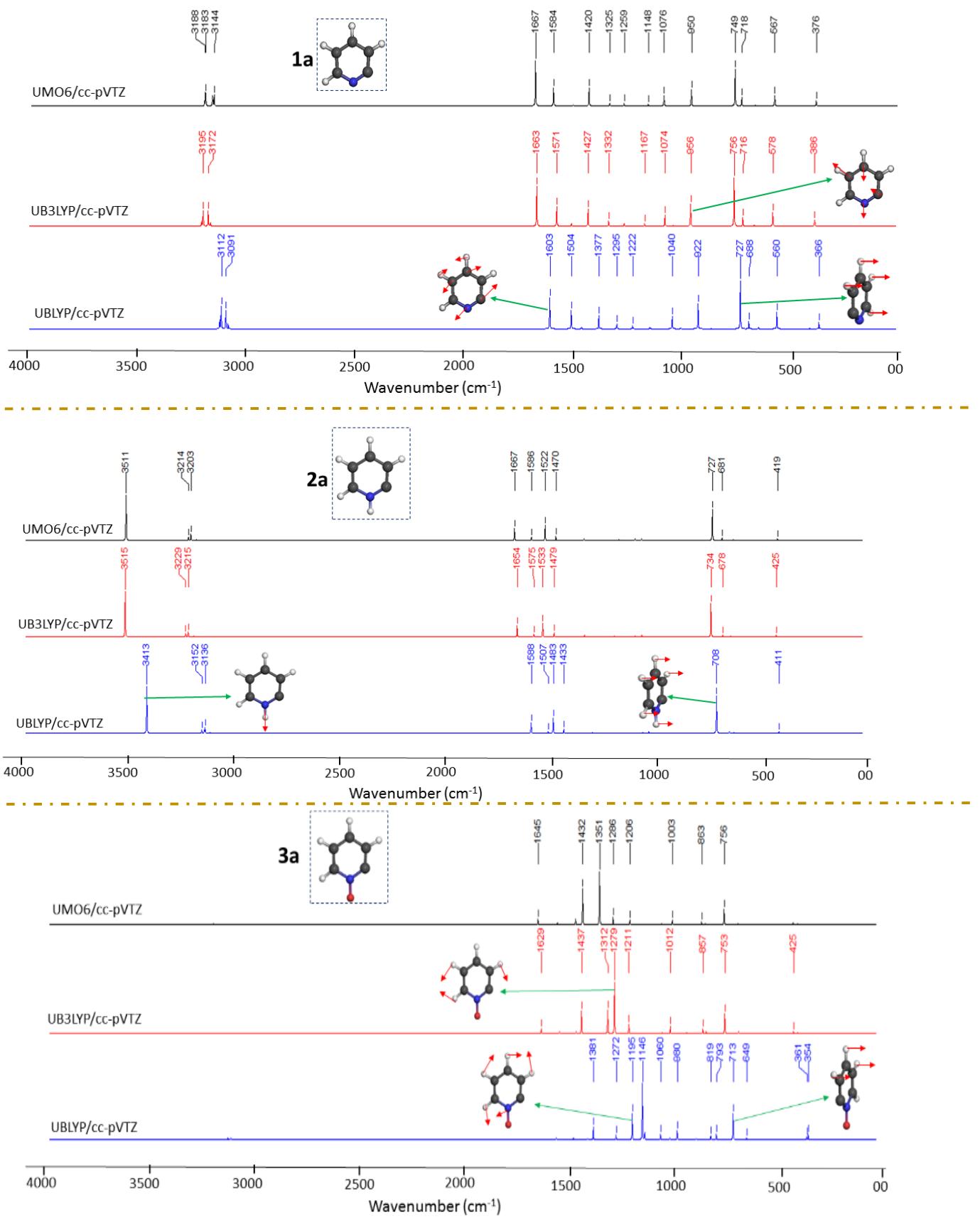
Scheme S1. (a) VIE and (b) VDE of radical isomers of pyridine **1a-c**, cationic pyridine **2a-c** and pyridine-N-oxide **3a-c**.

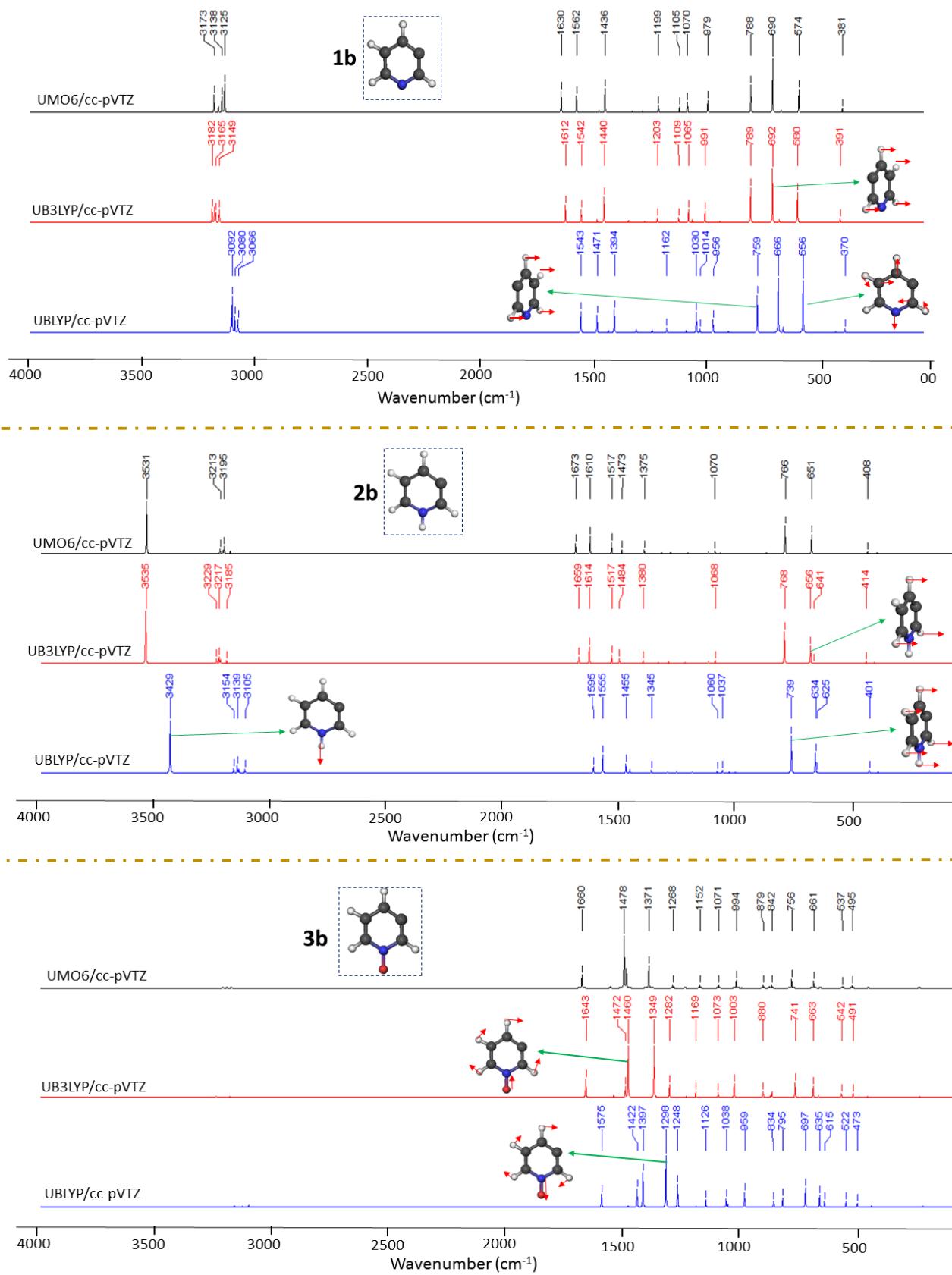
$$(VIE)^{\Delta E} = E_{N-1}(G_N) - E_N(G_N)$$

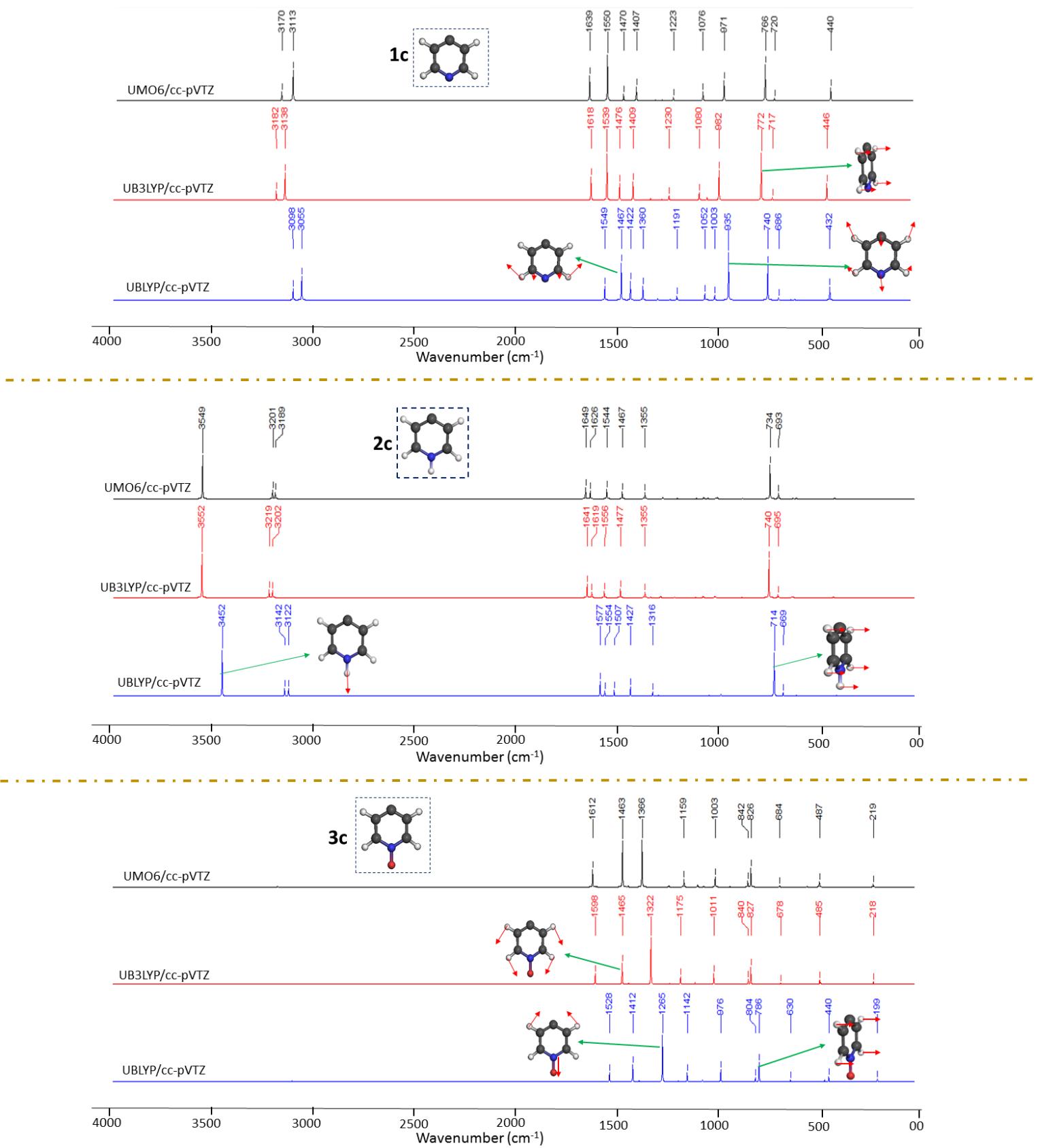
$$(VDE)^{\Delta E} = E_N(G_{N+1}) - E_{N+1}(G_{N+1})$$

Where $E_{N-1}(G_N)$ and $E_N(G_N)$ are the total energies of (N-1) and N electron systems calculated at the G_N geometry; on the other hand $E_N(G_{N+1})$ and $E_{N+1}(G_{N+1})$ are the total energies of N and (N+1) electron systems calculated at G_{N+1} geometry.









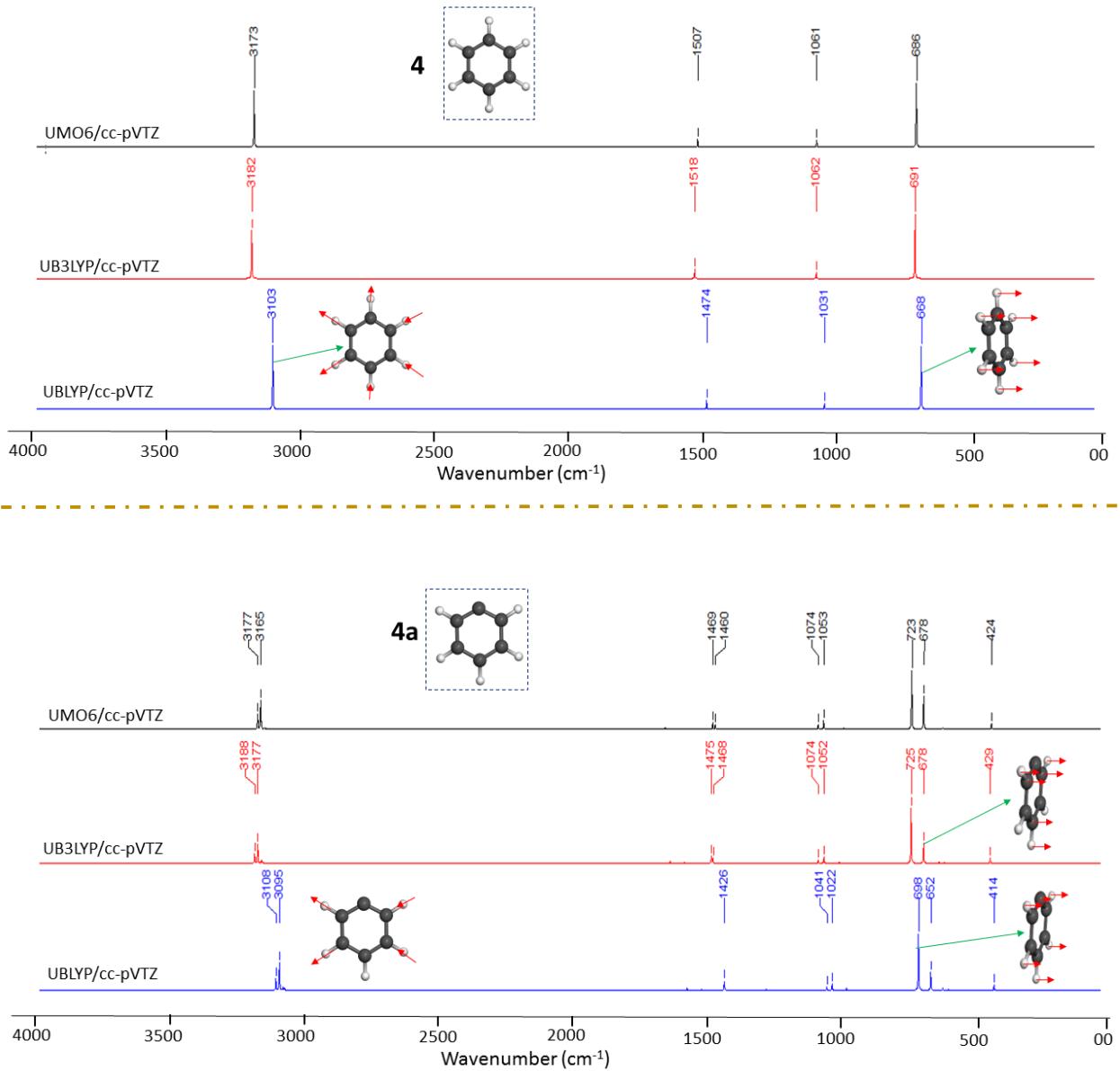


Figure S4: The computed vibrational spectra of all the radical isomers and their parent compounds at different levels of theory are indicated along with their structures. The frequency values are in cm⁻¹ and all the spectra are unscaled.

Appendix S1: Cartesian coordinates of the optimized structures at different levels of theory.

Pyridine (1)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.13906500 | 0.71943500 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.13339700 | 0.71678400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.19336700 | -0.66978600 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.18878000 | -0.66686000 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.37910100 | C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.37257900 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.19336700 | -0.66978600 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.18878000 | -0.66686000 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.13906500 | 0.71943500 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.13339700 | 0.71678400 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.41286300 | N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.40654600 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -2.46109800 | H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -2.45510900 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.05338900 | 1.30255400 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.05100500 | 1.29787200 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.14809200 | -1.17761900 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.14369000 | -1.17503700 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.14809200 | -1.17761900 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.14369000 | -1.17503700 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.05338900 | 1.30255400 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.05100500 | 1.29787200 |

2-Pyridyl radical (1a)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C | -1.19791800 | 0.60815800 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.19200400 | 0.60199000 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.30262200 | 0.00000000 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.29626400 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.19833200 | 0.58653500 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.19390600 | 0.58489200 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.16899900 | -0.80306400 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.16605500 | -0.79871200 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -0.09891400 | -1.36847500 | 0.00000000 | C | -0.09594800 | -1.35914900 | 0.00000000 |
| N | -1.21210100 | -0.73804800 | 0.00000000 | N | -1.21330000 | -0.73756300 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.14608200 | 1.11061200 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.14112200 | 1.11117700 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.15440500 | 1.11490000 | 0.00000000 | H | -2.14735000 | 1.11466000 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -0.00047600 | 2.38359600 | 0.00000000 | H | -0.00175000 | 2.37762300 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.07051800 | -1.39742800 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.06902500 | -1.39222400 | 0.00000000 |

3-Pyridyl radical (2b)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.27824300 | 0.00000000 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.27151400 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.20851100 | 0.58907700 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.20340800 | 0.58328400 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.17161600 | -0.80671300 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.16641500 | -0.80525900 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -0.07489500 | -1.37342900 | 0.00000000 | C | -0.07593700 | -1.36870300 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -1.24477900 | -0.65350900 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.23776300 | -0.64614700 | 0.00000000 |
| N | -1.19407500 | 0.68816500 | 0.00000000 | N | -1.19084300 | 0.68810200 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.08044100 | -1.39475000 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.07547100 | -1.39432900 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -0.00832100 | 2.36230200 | 0.00000000 | H | -0.00094000 | 2.35726900 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.14913500 | 1.12444400 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.14372300 | 1.11982000 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.22544400 | -1.11116100 | 0.00000000 | H | -2.21908900 | -1.10760700 | 0.00000000 |

4-Pyridyl radical (1c)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.14106200 | 0.65663800 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.13650200 | 0.65305300 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.20782400 | -0.74336900 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.20415700 | -0.73933700 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.38484800 | C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.37725600 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.20782400 | -0.74336900 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.20415700 | -0.73933700 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.14106200 | 0.65663800 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.13650200 | 0.65305300 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.33979200 | N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.33289200 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.05696600 | 1.23836900 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.05386600 | 1.23572800 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.16171800 | -1.25271000 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.15736100 | -1.25137600 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.05696600 | 1.23836900 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.05386600 | 1.23572800 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.16171800 | -1.25271000 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.15736100 | -1.25137600 |

Pyridinyl cation (2)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.18500600 | 0.66364600 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.18038900 | 0.66044400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.20650700 | -0.71366100 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.20213100 | -0.71076400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.40908400 | C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.40225300 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.20650700 | -0.71366100 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.20213100 | -0.71076400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.18500600 | 0.66364600 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.18038900 | 0.66044400 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.30404900 | N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.29933300 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -2.49034900 | H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -2.48406900 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.07136100 | 1.27961100 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.06841300 | 1.27509500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.15448400 | -1.23004700 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.14989500 | -1.22796200 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.15448400 | -1.23004700 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.14989500 | -1.22796200 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.07136100 | 1.27961100 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.06841300 | 1.27509500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.31756100 | H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.31181600 |

2- Pyridinyl radical (2a)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C | -1.18264900 | 0.63280200 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.17730600 | 0.62960100 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.33291200 | 0.00000000 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.32731100 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.21586800 | 0.64492300 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.21088400 | 0.64179500 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.24490100 | -0.75305700 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.23965300 | -0.74912600 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 0.02509500 | -1.36139500 | 0.00000000 | C | 0.02529200 | -1.35638900 | 0.00000000 |
| N | -1.13491700 | -0.72718300 | 0.00000000 | N | -1.13076900 | -0.72481600 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.14879900 | 1.19364200 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.14289100 | 1.19303100 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.16341700 | 1.08419700 | 0.00000000 | H | -2.15730400 | 1.08406800 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -0.02605900 | 2.41231300 | 0.00000000 | H | -0.02632900 | 2.40690300 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.16609300 | -1.31685200 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.16103100 | -1.31325000 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.00028600 | -1.26012600 | 0.00000000 | H | -1.99605300 | -1.25618900 | 0.00000000 |

3- Pyridinyl radical (2b)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C | 1.14872400 | 0.57946700 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.14375800 | 0.57589400 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.11501600 | -0.80090100 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.11076700 | -0.79877800 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -0.12048100 | -1.45908900 | 0.00000000 | C | -0.11945300 | -1.45157200 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -1.23620600 | -0.66238400 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.23283200 | -0.65928600 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -1.22208200 | 0.69786300 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.21714000 | 0.69467300 | 0.00000000 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 1.28282800 | 0.00000000 | N | 0.00000000 | 1.27814600 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -0.17847600 | -2.54020100 | 0.00000000 | H | -0.17814700 | -2.53332400 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.06515700 | 1.14986700 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.06177900 | 1.14493300 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.04196700 | -1.35588500 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.03876500 | -1.35243000 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 0.05204300 | 2.29632300 | 0.00000000 | H | 0.05330600 | 2.29057300 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.09051400 | 1.34035600 | 0.00000000 | H | -2.08630300 | 1.33764000 | 0.00000000 |

4- Pyridinyl radical (2c)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.19165400 | 0.59766000 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.18757100 | 0.59439100 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.22526300 | -0.78487700 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.22101500 | -0.78133200 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.40286700 | C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.39599400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.22526300 | -0.78487700 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.22101500 | -0.78133200 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.19165400 | 0.59766000 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.18757100 | 0.59439100 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.23033100 | N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 1.22490300 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.07459100 | 1.22013100 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.07079900 | 1.21760500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.16645300 | -1.31636800 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.16201900 | -1.31390600 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.24395200 | H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.23754200 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.07459100 | 1.22013100 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.07079900 | 1.21760500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.16645300 | -1.31636800 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.16201900 | -1.31390600 |

Pyridine-N-oxide (3)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.17566400 | 0.28219000 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.17080700 | 0.28166300 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.18930000 | -1.09504800 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.18438500 | -1.09012600 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.81448100 | C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.80630800 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.18930000 | -1.09504800 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.18438500 | -1.09012600 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.17566400 | 0.28219000 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.17080700 | 0.28166300 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 0.98316000 | N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 0.98209500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -2.89401800 | H | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -2.88631700 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.05367100 | 0.90678400 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.04797500 | 0.91000800 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.14625100 | -1.59765800 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.14151700 | -1.59327500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.14625100 | -1.59765800 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.14151700 | -1.59327500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.05367100 | 0.90678400 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.04797500 | 0.91000800 |
| O | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.25435300 | O | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.23969800 |

2-Pyridyl-N-oxide radical (3a)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C | -1.15047700 | 0.25569300 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.14544200 | 0.25584900 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -1.09772700 | -1.12068800 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.09303200 | -1.11497200 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 0.12051900 | -1.79358200 | 0.00000000 | C | -0.12033300 | -1.78532600 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.29188600 | -1.03114700 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.28552900 | -1.02668100 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.15552300 | 0.32464800 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.15207300 | 0.32504300 | 0.00000000 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 1.01263300 | 0.00000000 | N | 0.00000000 | 1.01118400 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.05381000 | 0.84500700 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.04821900 | 0.84865500 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.03030500 | -1.66677900 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.02607000 | -1.66114300 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.27221400 | -1.48612300 | 0.00000000 | H | -2.26607400 | -1.48281300 | 0.00000000 |
| O | -0.03413500 | 2.28533300 | 0.00000000 | O | 0.03405000 | 2.26983100 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 0.16664100 | -2.87274800 | 0.00000000 | H | -0.16385400 | -2.86511400 | 0.00000000 |

3- Pyridyl-N-oxide radical(3b)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---|-------------|-------------|------------|
| C | 1.13428700 | 0.19036400 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.12878200 | 0.18802500 | 0.00000000 |
| C | 1.08143200 | -1.18721100 | 0.00000000 | C | 1.07572800 | -1.18436200 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -0.13968900 | -1.86737400 | 0.00000000 | C | -0.14087000 | -1.85870300 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -1.23483300 | -1.04306500 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.23129100 | -1.03657900 | 0.00000000 |
| C | -1.22467900 | 0.31377900 | 0.00000000 | C | -1.21893800 | 0.31520400 | 0.00000000 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 0.95982400 | 0.00000000 | N | 0.00000000 | 0.95864300 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.04591100 | 0.76413000 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.04009000 | 0.76519700 | 0.00000000 |
| H | 2.01482500 | -1.73427800 | 0.00000000 | H | 2.01003400 | -1.73080800 | 0.00000000 |
| O | 0.06434900 | 2.22316000 | 0.00000000 | O | 0.06740500 | 2.20886700 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -0.19730900 | -2.94542200 | 0.00000000 | H | -0.20057000 | -2.93736700 | 0.00000000 |
| H | -2.07732300 | 0.97256900 | 0.00000000 | H | -2.06925500 | 0.98004200 | 0.00000000 |

4- Pyridyl-N-oxide radical (3c)

| (U)B3LYP/cc-pVTZ | | | (U)M06/cc-pVTZ | | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|---|------------|-------------|-------------|
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.18132500 | 0.21917500 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.17706500 | 0.21859400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 1.20737900 | -1.16455800 | C | 0.00000000 | 1.20238300 | -1.15848400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.81425100 | C | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | -1.80674400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.20737900 | -1.16455800 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.20238300 | -1.15848400 |
| C | 0.00000000 | -1.18132500 | 0.21917500 | C | 0.00000000 | -1.17706500 | 0.21859400 |
| N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 0.91324800 | N | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 0.91194500 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.05636700 | 0.84879900 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.04990300 | 0.85391100 |
| H | 0.00000000 | 2.15870000 | -1.67811900 | H | 0.00000000 | 2.15414400 | -1.67269900 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.15870000 | -1.67811900 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.15414400 | -1.67269900 |
| H | 0.00000000 | -2.05636700 | 0.84879900 | H | 0.00000000 | -2.04990300 | 0.85391100 |
| O | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.18700100 | O | 0.00000000 | 0.00000000 | 2.17163800 |