



Asian journal of physical and chemical science

Manuscript number: 2017/AJOPACS/38092

SCIENCEDOMAIN international
www.sciencedomain.org



A theoretical study of aniline and nitrobenzene by computational overview

Ajoy Kumer^{1,2*}, Boshir Ahmed^{2,3}, Md Arfat sharif² and Abdullah al-mamun¹

* Corresponding author: E-mail: kumarajoy.cu@gmail.com

¹University of Chittagong, Chittagong-4331, Bangladesh,

²European University of Bangladesh, Dhaka-1216, Bangladesh,

³University of Dhaka, Dhaka-1200, Bangladesh,

Abstract: Computational chemistry is used as computer programming to solve real problems in chemical, pharmaceutical, biotechnological and material science. It uses the results of theoretical chemistry, incorporated into efficient computer programs, to calculate the structures and properties of molecules and solids. For the calculation using molecular mechanics by Gaussian 09, two basis set such as Molecular mechanics (Mm+) and Parameterized Model number 3 (PM3) and quantum mechanics such as Density functional theory (DFT) with (WB97XD) and Hybrid functional (HF) are used to make the profile on the physical properties such as total energy, binding energy, hydration energy, dipole moment, heat of formation and energies for Highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO) and Lowest unoccupied molecular orbital ((LUMO). Nitrobenzene and aniline were tested in two basis set to make the profile on the physical properties. These physical properties are the theoretical agreement of physical properties to save the time and chemical in laboratory.

Keywords: Gaussian 9.8, HOMO, LUMO, MP2 and MP3

1.0 INTRODUCTION:

Nitrobenzene is a water insoluble pale yellow oil or greenish-yellow crystals organic compound. Nitrobenzene is used in the manufacture of compounds including benzidine and quinoline, soap, analgesic paracetamol, in the production of isocyanates, pesticides and pharmaceuticals drug. Nitrobenzene is used primarily 95% to produce aniline, an intermediate in the production of dyestuffs and other products[1]. Although occasionally used as a flavoring or perfume additive, nitrobenzene is highly toxic in large quantities[2]. In the laboratory, it is occasionally used as a solvent, especially for electrophilic reagents. Nitrobenzene has been detected in air and appears to volatilize from water and soil. Environmental exposure appears to be primarily through inhalation of ambient air or through dermal exposure to products containing the chemical. Nitrobenzene was nominated by National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences(NIEHS) for possible listing in the Report on Carcinogens based on the conclusions of an the International Agency for Research on Cancer(IARC) working group that nitrobenzene is possibly carcinogenic to humans [3].

Aniline was first obtained in 1826 by the destructive distillation of indigo. It is used as organic base to make dyes, anilides, diazonium salt, drugs, explosives, plastics, antioxidants, activators, accelerators and photographic and rubber chemicals. It is also used in petroleum, plastics, agricultural, explosives, and chemical industries, various fungicides and herbicides for the agricultural industry, pharmaceutical industry and other organic products. Aniline is prepared commercially by the catalytic hydrogenation of nitrobenzene or by the action of ammonia on chlorobenzene [4-6]. Using various oxidizing agents, aniline is converted into quinone, azobenzene, nitrosobenzene, p-aminophenol, and the phenazine dye aniline black. Photochemistry, a sub-discipline of chemistry, is the study of the interactions between atoms, small molecules and light or electromagnetic radiation [7].

Waste water from manufacturing or chemical processes in industries contributes to water pollution containing specific and readily identifiable chemical compounds. During the last fifty years, the number of industries in Bangladesh has grown rapidly. But water pollution is concentrated within a few sub sectors, mainly in the form of toxic wastes and organic pollutants. Out of

this a large portion can be traced to the processing of industrial chemicals and to the food products industry. In fact, a number of large- and medium-sized industries in the region covered by the Buriganga[8-9]. Action Plan does not have adequate effluent treatment facilities. Most of these defaulting industries are sugar mills, textile industries, distilleries, leather processing industries, and thermal power stations, chemical industries pharmaceutical industries at where the aniline and nitrobenzene were used. Most major industries have treatment facilities for industrial effluents in very small scale. But this is not the case with small-scale industries, which cannot afford enormous investments in pollution control equipment as their profit margin is very slender [10]. It is necessary to find an effective method of destroying the nitrobenzene and aniline in order to remove color from effluents[11-12]. A number of physical and chemical techniques has been reported for the removal of them [6, 13] such as adsorption on carbon [14], biodegradation[15], ozonation[6] and advanced oxidation processes (AOPs) [16-17] and catalytic reactions[18]. All of these methods consume the time and chemicals so that to make a safe of time and chemicals, computational chemistry is only an alternative way [10].

Molecular mechanics uses the laws of classical physics to explain and interpret the structure and properties of molecules. Molecular mechanics methods are available in many computer programs, including MM3, Hyper Chem, GAUSSIAN, Quanta, Sybyl and Alchemy [19]. There are many different molecular mechanics methods. Each one is characterized by its particular force field. It is widely used in the design of new drugs and materials. Computational chemistry is capable of predicting many properties of molecules and reactions including the following; molecular energies and structures, energies and structures of transition states, bond and reaction energies, molecular orbital, vibrational frequencies, thermo-chemical properties, reaction pathways, spectroscopic quantities and numerous other molecular properties for systems in the gas phase and in solution, including the ground state and excited states [19-20]. Computational calculations provide a manageable solution to this colossal task. Electronic properties such as the ionization potential (IP), electron affinity (EA), and molecular orbital (LUMO) which is directly correlated to chemical and radiation stability, can give an information of energy gap between the highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO) and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital(LUMO) reliably computed using first-principles-based calculations [21]. Specifically, a large HOMO-LUMO gap implies low chemical reactivity because it hinders adding electrons to a high-lying LUMO or extracting electrons from a low-lying HOMO and prevents the formation of the activated complex of any further reaction. Thus, the HOMO-LUMO gap can be used as a simple indicator for stability in reactive environments found in all uses fields. Similarly, the ionization potential (IP) and electron affinity (EA), which measure the proclivity of compounds to lose or gain an electron, are good indicators of both of aniline and nitrobenzene of stability in extreme redox environments found near the charged electrodes of electrochemical devices. Finally, in the presence of radiation, can undergo ionization or form radicals and excited species, which lead to further degradation, and the IP can be used as metrics of stability in these environments.

2.0 METHODOLOGY

There are a number of different types of basis sets that are used in modern ab initio calculations, depending on the complexity of the problem and the desired level of accuracy [22]. Usually, a larger basis set consisting of more basis functions will yield increased accuracy. A minimal basis is one that is composed of a single basis function for each atomic orbital. A split – valence basis set treats the core and atomic orbital differently and includes more diffuse GAUSSIAN functions with a smaller orbital exponent. The geometry optimization and frequency calculations were executed simultaneously. The following route section command was used in all those calculations. Job type: WB97XD/DGTZVP opt freq. This process includes the performance of quantum chemical models with regard to the calculation of vibrational frequencies and describes the evaluation of thermodynamic quantities resulting from vibrational frequencies. In addition to their role in characterizing structures on a potential energy surface, vibrational frequencies, along with molecular geometry, are the essential ingredients for calculation of thermodynamic quantities. These follow from straight forward application of statistical mechanics. Entropy is certainly the most important of these, primarily for its contribution to the free energy. Calculated vibrational frequencies may be employed to yield a variety of thermodynamic quantities. This work was done in computer and software laboratory in European University of Bangladesh, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

2.1 Thermodynamics Quantities in GAUSSIAN 09 Output

Zero-point correction=	0.217588 (Hartree/Particle)
Thermal correction to Energy=	0.229729
Thermal correction to Enthalpy=	0.230674
Thermal correction to Gibbs Free Energy=	0.178505
Sum of electronic and zero-point Energies=	-442.605532
Sum of electronic and thermal Energies=	-442.593391
Sum of electronic and thermal Enthalpies=	-442.592447
Sum of electronic and thermal Free Energies=	-442.644615

Figure 1: Working diagram of thermodynamic result

GAUSSIAN predicts various important thermodynamic quantities at the specified temperatures and pressure, including the thermal energy correction, heat capacity and entropy. These items are broken down into their source component in the output. GAUSSIAN also predicts the zero-point energy and absolute enthalpy and Gibbs free energies. Here is the zero-point energy and thermal corrected properties output from frequency.

2.2 Examining and Interpreting the Output

The outputs were visualized using Gauss View. The relevant sections of the output file were extracted and interpreted individually as illustrated in various sections. Computing Thermo-chemical Parameters of Reactions
Thermo-chemical Parameters were calculated using the following general formula. Parameters of Reactions = (Parameters of products)-(Parameters of Reactants)

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S, \Delta E = \Delta E - P\Delta V, \Delta H = \Delta E + P$$

Here, G is the free energy, H is the enthalpy, S is the entropy, E is the energy, and T, P and V are the temperature, pressure and volume

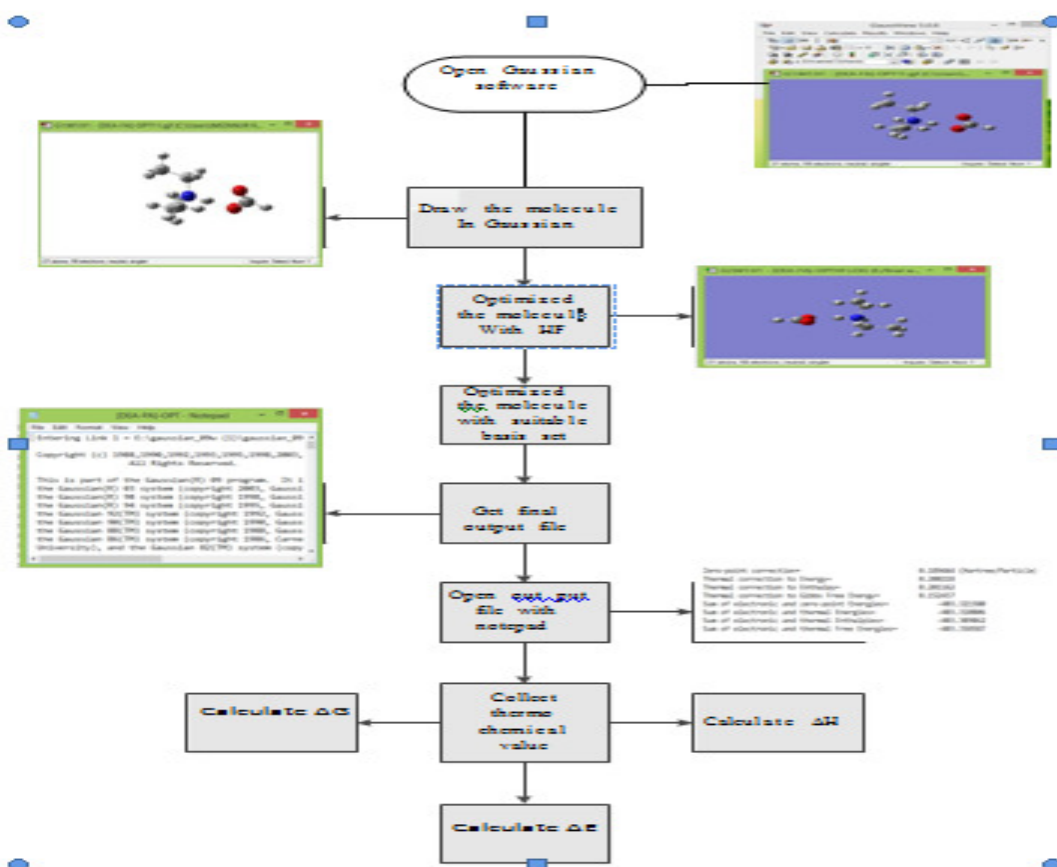


Figure 2: The calculated thermodynamic parameters tables presented in chapter four were calculated as illustrate ab

2.3 Determination of thermodynamic quantities calculation

This procedure includes the performance of quantum chemical models with regard to the calculation of the magnitudes of dipole moments. Too little experimental information is available about the sign and or direction of dipole moments or about higher moments to make comparisons of these quantities with the results of calculations of value. Models examined include Hartree-Fock models with 3-21G, 6-31G* and 6-311+G** and DFT (WB97XD) model with 3-21G, 6-31G*, DGTZVP basis sets and AM1 and PM3 semi-empirical models.

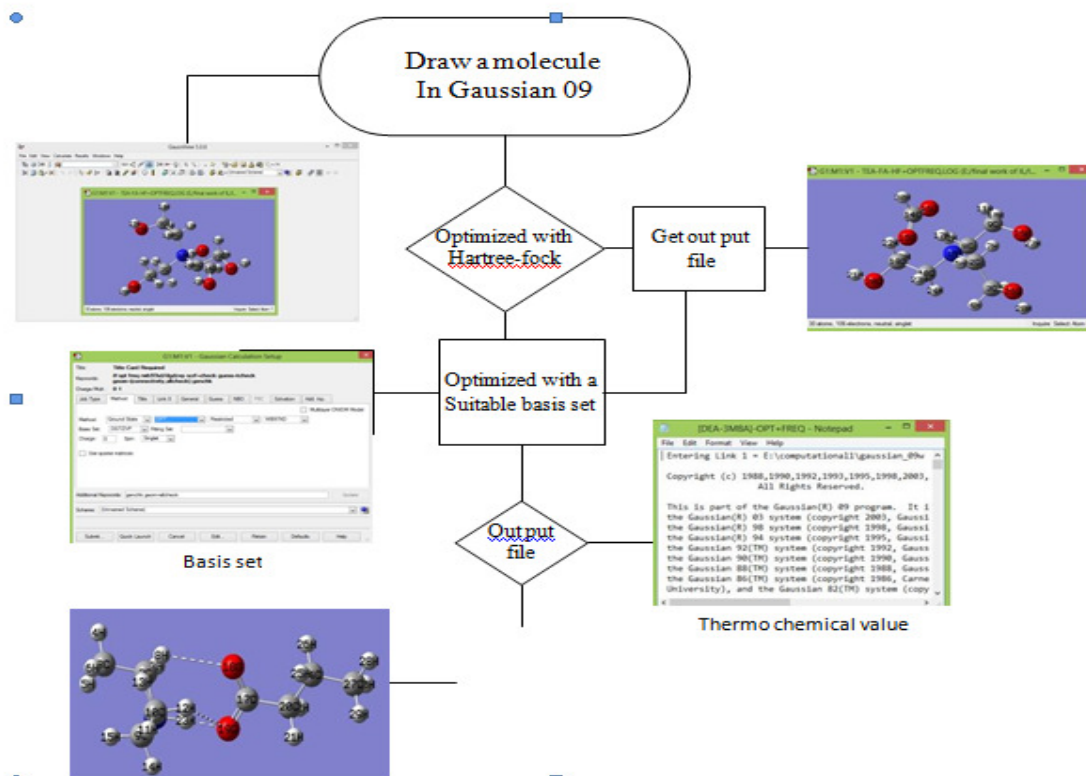


Figure 4: Flow chart of thermodynamic quantities calculation

Sum of Mulliken charges with hydrogens summed into heavy atoms = 0.00000
 Electronic spatial extent (au): $\langle R^2 \rangle =$ 5467.3694
 Charge= 0.0000 electrons
 Dipole moment (field-independent basis, Debye):
 X= 9.8381 Y= 4.0658 Z= -0.0608 Tot= 10.6453
 Quadrupole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang):
 XX= -42.4375 YY= -89.1320 ZZ= -89.2511
 XY= 8.8589 XZ= -1.5874 YZ= -0.6839
 Traceless Quadrupole moment (field-independent basis, Debye-Ang):

Figure 3: working screen shot.

2.4 Frontier Molecular Orbital (FMO)

Frontier molecular orbital (FMO) has been taken from GAUSSIAN 09 by using density function theory (DFT) and WB97XD.

2.5 Molecular orbitals and energies in GAUSSIAN 09 output

The Pop=Reg keyword in the route section requested data about molecular orbital be included in the output. They appear at the beginning of the population analysis section. Below is the relevant part of the output for aniline and nitrobenzene. The highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO) and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (LUMO) may be identified by finding the point where the occupied/virtual code letter in the symmetry designation changes from O to V.

2.6 HOMO and LUMO with Global Hardness and softness

A qualitative indication of how a given species (atom, ion, or molecule) is polarizable can be obtained by means of the global hardness. In other words, the hardness of a species indicates the extent of its electron cloud distortion in an electric field. The global hardness (ϵ) and softness (σ) of a chosen molecule calculates the energy gap between the HOMO and LUMO orbitals. The mathematical expression of (h) and (s) can be written as: Energy gap = $E_{\text{LUMO}} - E_{\text{HOMO}}$

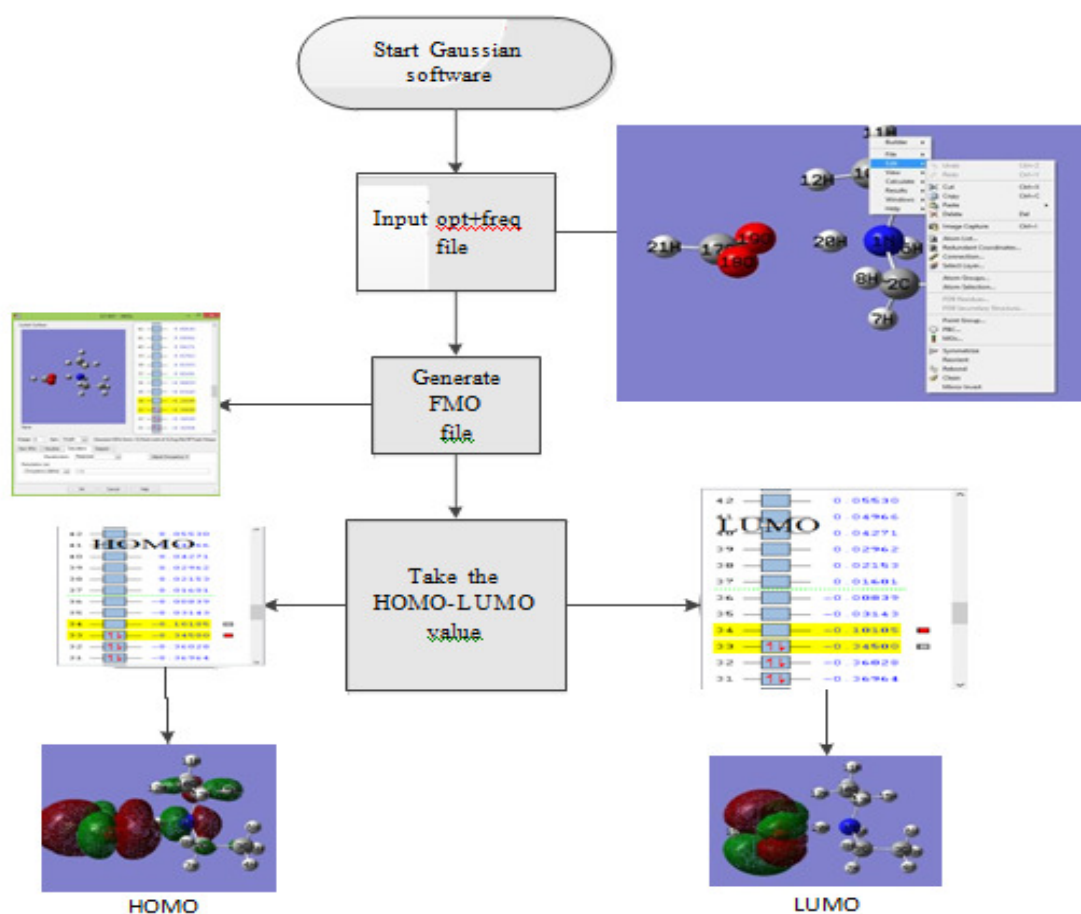


Figure 5: Flow chart of calculation of HOMO-LUMO

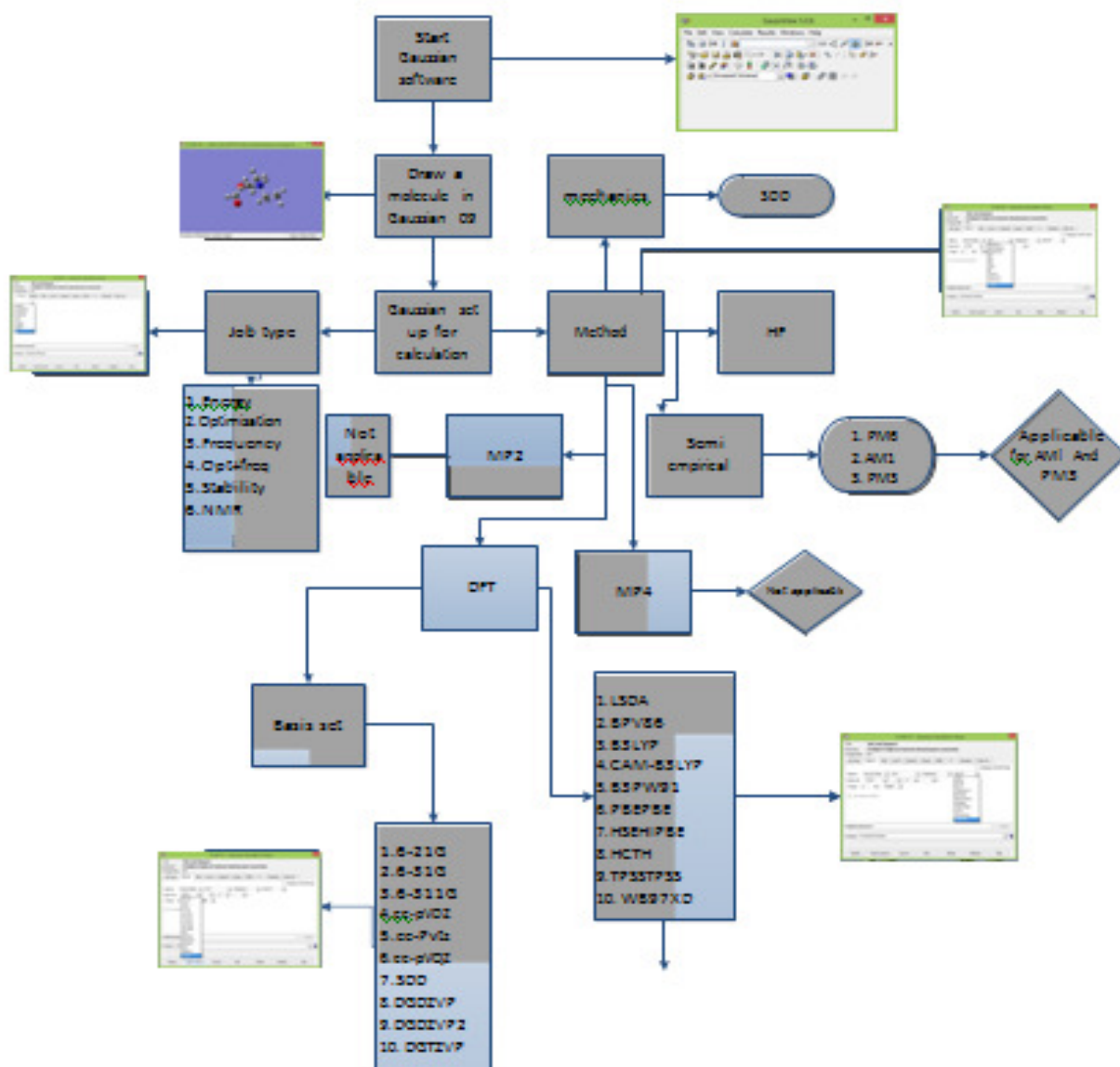


Figure 6: working flow chat

3.0 RESULT AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Optimized Structure

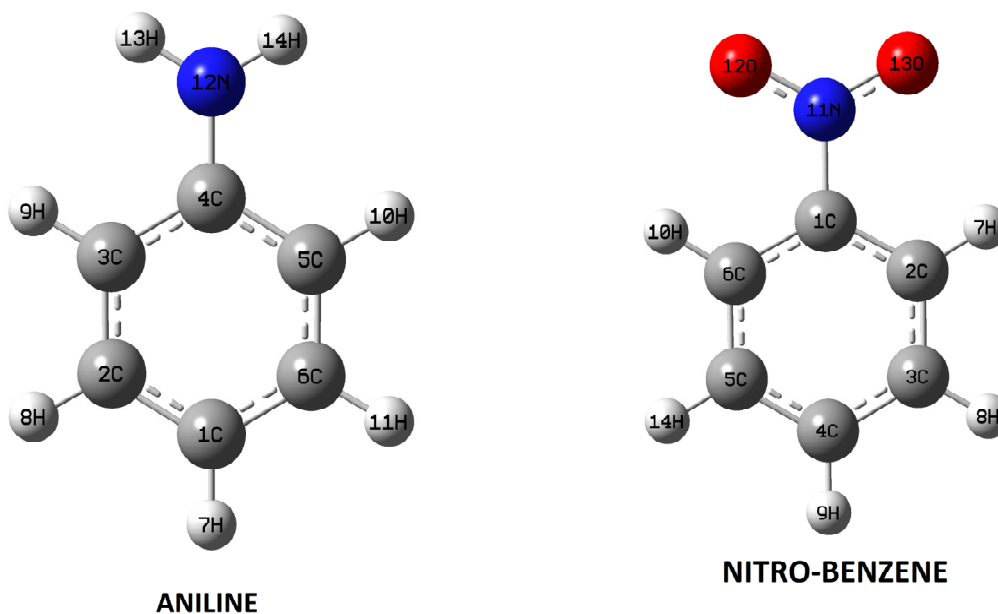


Figure 7: Optimized structure

3.2: Bond distance:

Aniline			
BOND	DISTANCE	BOND	ANGLE
N12-H14	1.00210	H13-N12-H14	117.91902
N12-H13	1.00210	C4-N12-H13	121.03807
N12-C4	1.38637	C4-N12-H14	121.04262
C4-C5	1.40971	C3-C4-N12	120.78635
C4-C3	1.40985	C5-C4-N12	120.79980
Nitro benzene			
BOND	DISTANCE	BOND	ANGLE
N11-O12	1.26662	O12-N11-O13	123.62342
N11-O13	1.26662	O12-N11-C1	118.18828
N11-C1	1.46788	O13-N11-C1	118.18828
C1-C2	1.39501	N11-C1-C2	118.90105
C1-C6	1.39501	N11-C1-C6	118.90105

3.4: HOMO and LUMO

The HOMO –LUMO gap indicates the reactivity. The higher HOMO –LUMO gap indicates the lower reactivity. Both of aniline and nitrobenzene have lower HOMO –LUMO gap such as 0.20029 and 0.1822 in HF basis set. The HOMO is the orbital of highest energy that is still occupied, so energetically it is the easiest to remove electrons from this orbital. This could be simply donating electron density to form a bond (act as a Lewis base) or it could be oxidation. The LUMO is the lowest lying orbital that is empty, so energetically it is the easiest to add more electrons into this orbital. It isn't always the HOMO and/or LUMO involved in chemical reactivity. Symmetry plays a role, too. If the HOMO or LUMO isn't of the correct symmetry, it might be the HOMO-1 or the LUMO+1 that is involved in the reaction.

COMP.	Aniline (M1)	Nitrobenzene (M2)
LUMO+2	0.03753	-0.01892
LUMO+1	0.02103	-0.04068
LUMO	0.00237	-0.11517
HOMO	-0.19792	-0.29253
HOMO-1	-0.24847	-0.29741
HOMO-2	-0.30812	-0.30130
GAP (HF)	0.20029	0.1822
GAP(ev)	5.4501711	4.957917

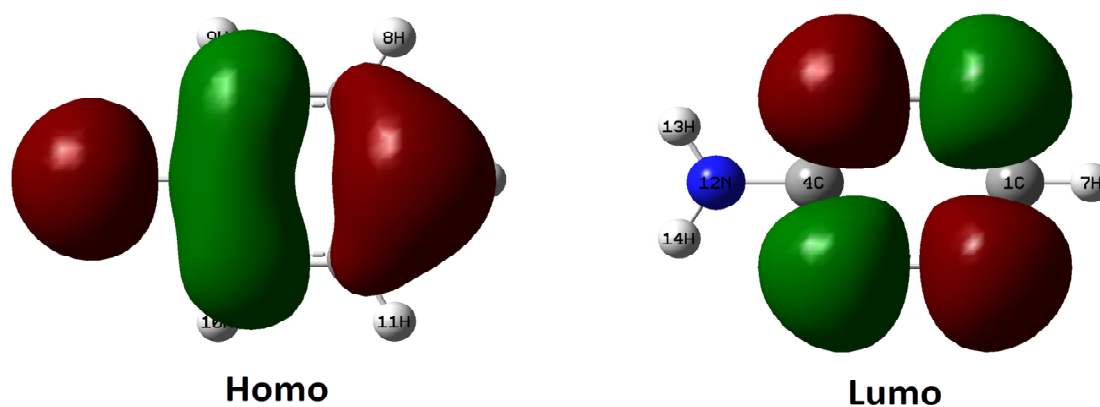


Figure 8: HOMO LUMO of Aniline

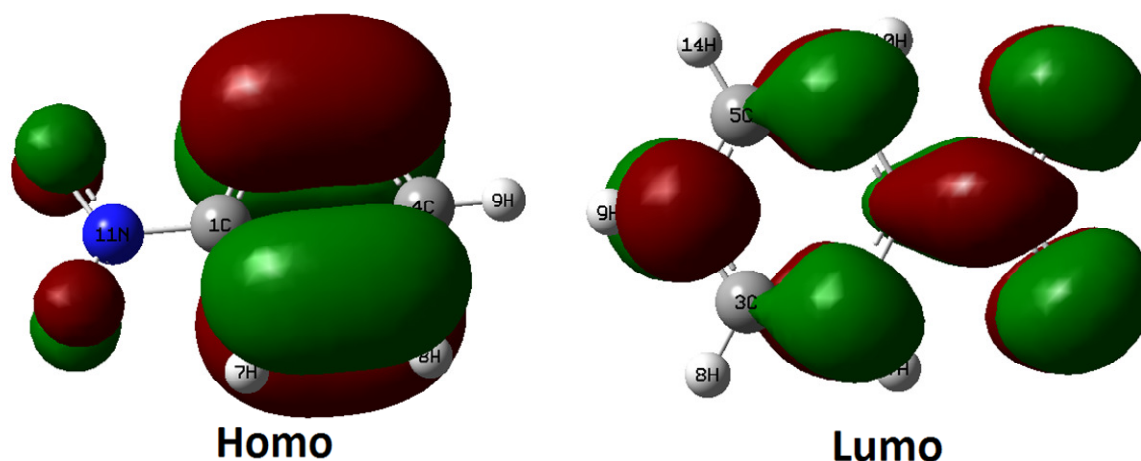


Figure 9: HOMO LUMO of nitrobenzene

3.5 Electrostatic potential

Electrostatic potential maps are very useful three dimensional diagrams of molecules. They enable us to visualize the charge distributions of molecules and charge related properties of molecules. They also allow us to visualize the size and shape of molecules. An advanced computer program calculates the electrostatic potential energy at a set distance from the nuclei of the molecule. Electrostatic potential energy is fundamentally a measure of the strength of the nearby charges, nuclei and electrons, at a

particular position. To accurately analyze the charge distribution of a molecule, a very large quantity of electrostatic potential energy values must be calculated. To make the electrostatic potential energy data easy to interpret, a color spectrum, with red as the lowest electrostatic potential energy value and blue as the highest, is employed to convey the varying intensities of the electrostatic potential energy values.

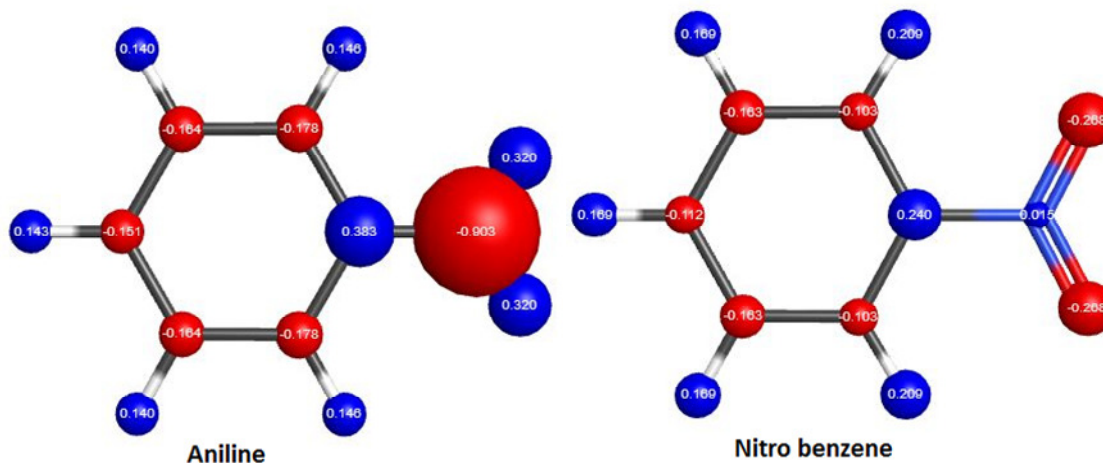


Figure 10: Electrostatic potential

3.6: Thermo-chemistry

compounds	Enternal energy	Gibbs free energy	Enthalpy(H)	Entropy	Dipole moment
Aniline (M1)	-287.4794(H)	-287.514566(H)	-287.478(H)	75.960 cal/mol-K	1.9527 Debye
Nitrobenzene(M2)	-436.6204(H)	-436.659105(H)	-436.619(H)	83.304 cal/mol-K	5.1241Debye

Compound	Bond stretch	Angle bend	Stretch bend	Op bend	Torsion	Vander Waals	Electrostatic	Total
M1	55.8670	4.7278	3.7068	0.000	0.0000	1.3224	0.0000	65.6240
M2	66.388	3.686	-1.691	0.0000	0.0000	2.5789	0.0000	70.96

Experimental(ν/cm^{-1})	Theoretical without scaling(ν/cm^{-1})	Intensity (ν/cm^{-1})	Assignment
M1			
	3754.7448	14.8295	N-H asymmetry
	3625.0312	37.6120	N-H symmetry
	3196.3809	22.7433	C-H symmetry
	3174.8139	64.8693	C-H asymmetry
M2			
	1358.1606	18.3293	N-O asymmetry
	1371.2826	0.2832	N-O symmetry
	3232.6691	0.0057	C-H symmetry
	3231.3409	5.0068	C-H asymmetry

3.7: Partial charge

A partial charge is a non-integer charge value when measured in elementary charge units. Partial charge is more commonly called net atomic charge. It is represented by the Greek lowercase letter δ , namely δ^- or δ^+ . Partial charges are created due to the asymmetric distribution of electrons in chemical bonds. The greater partial charge indicates the lower covalency and greater ionic character in covalent compound.

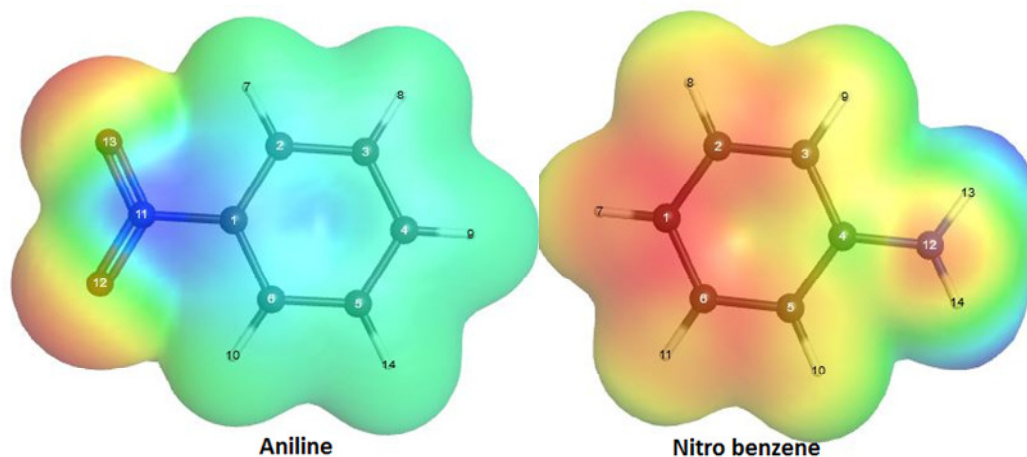


Figure 11: Partial charge particle picture

3.8 Natural bond order (NBO)

In NBO analysis, large value shows the intensive interaction between electron donor and electron acceptors and greater the extent of conjugation of the whole system, the possible intensive interactions are given in the figure. The second order perturbation theory analysis of Fock matrix in NBO basis shows strong intra- molecular hyper conjugative interactions of σ electrons. In nitrobenzene show the higher positive charge of C1 and N11 atom where aniline can show the positive charge in C4 atom.

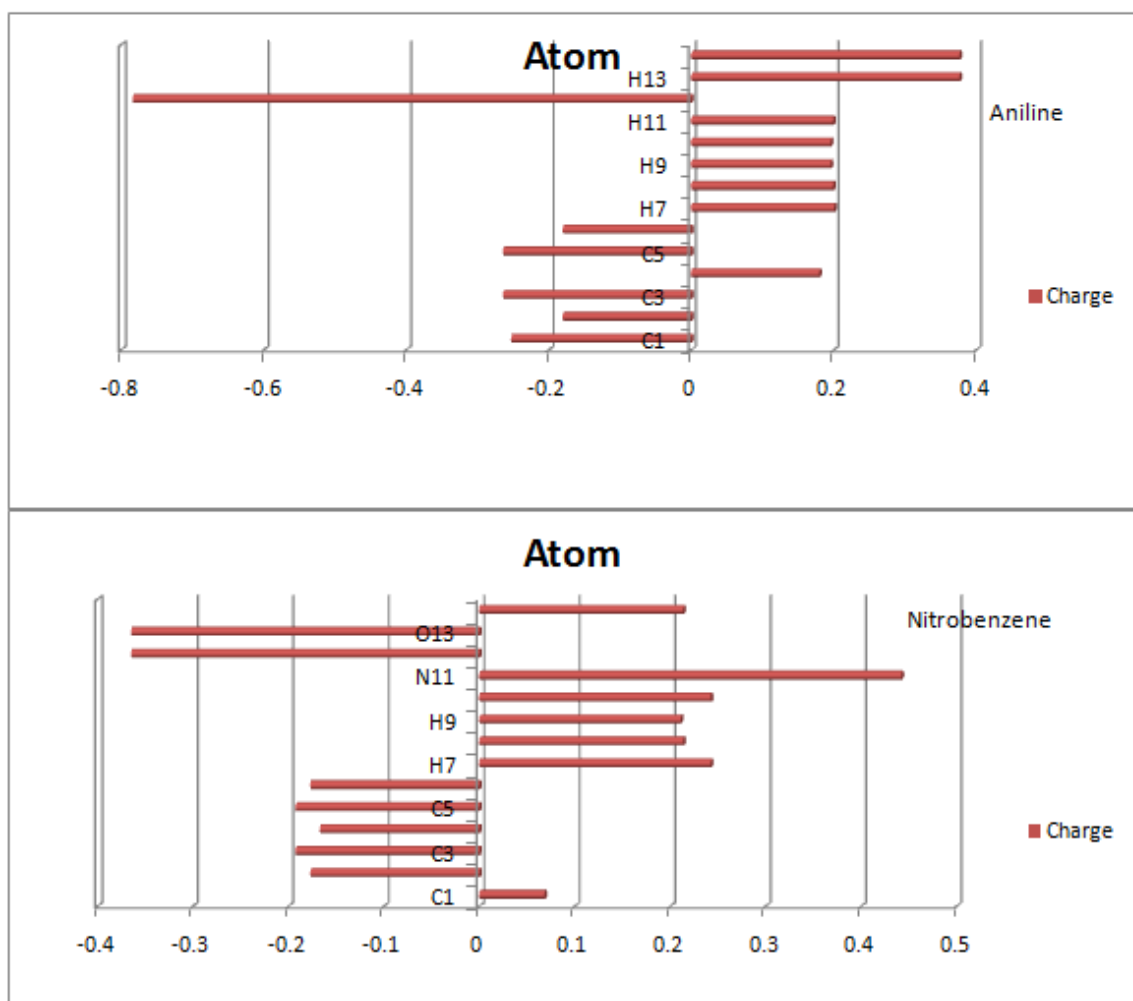


Figure 12: NBO of aniline and nitrobenzene

4.0 Conclusion

Using the Hartree-Fock models, the geometry calculations on compounds incorporating transition metals give good agreement, but the Mm+ and PM3 semi-empirical model and density functional theory (DFT) with (WB97XD) models provide good accounts of thermophysical properties study and a data base in view of computational overview. The EA, HOMO-LUMO and IP information show the scope the reactivity and degradation study of aniline and nitrobenzene in very short time without consuming money and chemicals. The cost of Mm+ and MP3 models may be prohibitive. Thermo-chemical calculations of aniline and nitrobenzene molecules involve net bond making or breaking, and absolute activation energy calculations. From the study of computational overview of aniline and nitrobenzene, it is clear that the lower HOMU –LUMO gap such as 0.20029 and 0.1822 in HF basis set indicating the lower reactivity.

5.0 References:

1. (NIOSH), I.f.O.S.a.H., *Nitro Compounds, Aromatic*, In: *Ullmann's Encyclopedia of Industrial Chemistry*. 2007, John Wiley & Sons: New York.
2. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), ed. *Toxicological Profile for Nitrobenzene*,. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Atlanta, Ga, USA, . 1990.
3. National Toxicology Program (NTP), ed. *Nitrobenzene,in Report on Carcinogens*,. US Department Health and Human Services, Public Health Service,. Vol. 12th edition, 2011. 2011. 294–296.

4. D. S. Bhatkhande, V. G. Pangarkar, and a.A.A.C.M. Beenackers, *Photocatalytic degradation of nitrobenzene using titanium dioxide and concentrated solar radiation; chemical effects and scaleup*. Water Research, 2003. 37(6): p. 1223–1230.
5. Thou-Jen Whang, et al., *UV-Irradiated Photocatalytic Degradation of Nitrobenzene by Titania Binding on Quartz Tube*. International Journal of Photoenergy, 2012 2012: p. 8.
6. Yixin Yang, et al., *Degradation of nitrobenzene by nano-TiO₂ catalyzed ozonation*. Journal of Molecular Catalysis A Chemical 2007. 267(1): p. 41-48.
7. Wayne, C.E.W., R. P., *Photochemistry*, ed. s. ed. 2005. , Oxford, United Kingdom: Oxford University Press.
8. M. Alamgir and a.A. Ahsan., *Municipal Solid Waste and Recovery Potential: Bangladesh Perspective*. Iran Journal Environ. Health. Sci. Eng., 2007. 4(2): p. 67-76.
9. Narayan, A. and and H. Zaman, *Poverty Assessment for Bangladesh: Creating Opportunities and Bridging the East-West Divide*, in *Bangladesh Development Series*, Washington, D.C.: The World Bank. 2008. p. 57.
10. Ramachandran K.I., D.G., Krishnan Namboori. P.K. -Verlag GmbH ISBN -3-540-, *Computational Chemistry and Molecular Modeling Principles and applications*. Springer: p. 77302-3.
11. Yao, J. and and C. Wang, *Decolorization of methylene blue with TiO₂ sol via UV irradiation photocatalytic degradation*,. International Journal of Photoenergy, 2010. 2010.
12. E. Bizani, et al., *Photocatalytic decolorization and degradation of dye solutions and wastewaters in the presence of titanium dioxide*. Journal of Hazardous Materials, 2006. 136,(1): p. 85–94.
13. A. Rivaton, et al., *Comparison of the Photochemical and Thermal Degradation of Bisphenol-A Polycarbonate and Trimethylcyclohexane-polycarbonate*. Polymer Degradation and Stability, 2002. 75: p. 17-33.
14. Pan, J. and and B. Guan, *Adsorption of nitrobenzene from aqueous solution on activated sludge modified by cetyltrimethylammonium bromide*,. Journal of Hazardous Materials, 2010. 183(1–3): p. 341–346.
15. Ju, K.-S. and R.E. Parales, *Nitroaromatic compounds, from synthesis to biodegradation*. Microbiology and Molecular Biology Reviews, 2010. 74(2): p. 250–272,.
16. K. Nohara, et al., *Dependence on Chemical Structure of the Production of NH₄⁺ and /or NO₃⁻ Ions during the Photocatalyzed Oxidation of Nitrogen-containing Substances at the Titania/water Interface*. Catalyst Letter, 1996. 36: p. 115-118
17. G. Palmisano, et al., *Photocatalytic oxidation of nitrobenzene and phenylamine: pathways and kinetics*. AIChE Journal, 2007. 53(4): p. 961–968.
18. Luciano Carlos, et al., *Nitration of nitrobenzene in Fenton's processes*. Chemosphere, 2010. 80(3): p. 340–345.
19. T., C., *A Handbook of Computational Chemistry*. 1985, Wiley: New York.
20. Reichert, W.M., Holbrey, J.D., Swatoski, R.P., Gutowski, K.E., Visser, A.E., Nieuwenhuyzen, M., Seddon, K.R. and Rogers, R.D., *Solid-State Analysis of Low-Melting 1,3-Dialkylimidazolium Hexafluorophosphate Salts (Ionic Liquids) by Combined X-ray Crystallographic and Computational Analyses*. Cryst. Growth Des, 2007. 7: p. 1106-1114.
21. Arunprakash T. K., R.F., Kamila D., *Ionic Liquids: Applications by Computational Design*. 2016, Inorganic and Bioinorganic Chemistry: University of Colorado Denver, Denver, CO, USA.
22. Adant, C., M. Dupuis, , *Ab initio study of the nonlinear optical properties of urea: Electron correlation and dispersion effects*. International journal of quantum chemistry, 1995. 56(29): p. 497-507.