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# Aromatic Character Studies on Divalent 3, 5 and 7-membered Rings C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>M, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>M and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>M(M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Pb) via Nucleus-independent Chemical Shifts (NICS) Calculation

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Abstract: The aromatic character of divalent three, five and seven-membered rings C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>M, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>M and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>M(M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Pb) is investigated through magnetic and geometric criteria by Density Functional Theory (DFT) method using 6-311++G (3df,2p) basis set of the GAUSSIAN 98 program. The result of Nucleus-independent Chemical Shifts (NICS) (0.5) calculations show an aromatic character for singlet state of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>M(M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Sn) and nonaromatic character for triplet states of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>M (except M=Ge and Pb). NICS (0.5) calculations show nonaromatic character for the singlet state of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C and antiaromatic character for C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>M (M=Si, Ge, Sn and Pb). In contrast, NICS (0.5) calculations indicate antiaromatic character for the triplet state of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C and nonaromatic character for the singlet state of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>M and anti-aromatic character for triplet state of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>M.

Key words: carbene; silylene; germylene; stanylene; plumbylene; aromatic character; NICS calculation

The chemistry of the divalent carbenes: silylenes, germylenes, stanylenes and plumbylenes has been extensively discussed<sup>[1-8]</sup>. These compounds are unstable for experimental analysis. Therefore, the studies on

carbenes and their analogues have been carried out by theoretical calculations. In this work the aromatic character is discussed for divalent three, five and seven-membered rings C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>M, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>M and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>M(M=C,

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Si, Ge, Sn and Pb) (Scheme 1).

The aromatic character is not a directly measurable or computable quantity. Aromatic character is generally evaluated on the basis of magnetic, energetic and geometric criteria<sup>[9~15]</sup>. Magnetic criterion is the important way for determining of aromatic character. Magnetic criterion is measured through nuclear independent chemical shifts (NICS) calculations. The concept of NICS was introduced by Schlever et. al. in 1996 as a measure of aromaticity and antiaromaticity (or non-aromaticity)[15a]. It is based on a probe with no basis functions (bg) which is placed at or above the geometrical center of a conjugated ring. Its calculated isotropic NMR chemical shift indicates the aromatic properties of the ring, either as an individual moiety in a polycyclic compound or as a molecule. Initially the probe was placed at the geometrical center of the molecules, but after realizing that in some systems the chemical shifts are influenced by the  $\sigma$ system (e.g., cyclopropane) it was placed (0.05 nm (i.e. (0.5Å)) above the center (denoted as NICS (0.5)). The method has been used for the assignment of aromatic character in many systems, generally very successfully. In this manuscript, NICS calculations are carried out on  $C_2H_2M$ ,  $C_4H_4M$  and  $C_6H_6M(M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Pb).$ 

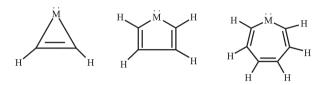
### 1 Computational method

Full geometry optimizations for singlet and triplet states of C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>M, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>M and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>M(M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Pb) are carried out by density functional theory DFT method using 6-311 ++G (3df, 2p) basis set of the GAUSSIAN 98 program<sup>[16-18]</sup> (Scheme 1). To find a global minimum on a specific surface, all possible conformations of the given species are examined through scanning the specific dihedral angles at B3LYP/6-311 ++G (3df, 2p) level. This is for obtaining more accurate values of thermal energies (E), enthalpies (H) and Gibbs free energies (G). For stanylenes and plumbylenes, the calculations are done using LANL2DZ basis set<sup>[19]</sup>.

# 2 Results and discussion

The aim of this research is to determine the aromatic character for divalent three, five and seven-

membered rings C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>M, C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>M and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>M (M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Pb) through geometric, and magnetic criteria (Scheme 1). NICS calculation procedure is the most important magnetic criterion for the determination of the aromatic character. All structures are studied from both conformational view and NICS calculations.



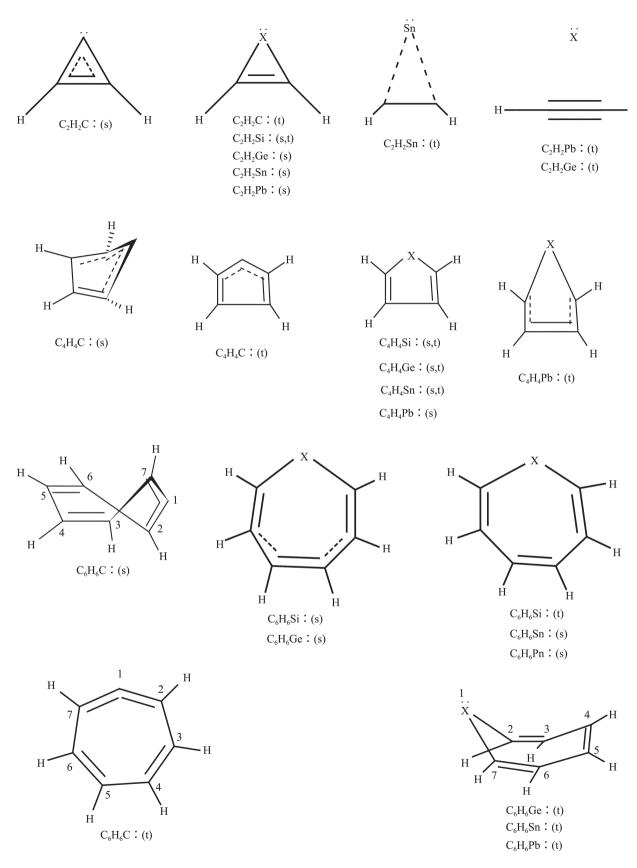
Scheme 1 Molecular structures of  $C_2H_2M$ ,  $C_4H_4M$  and  $C_6H_6M(M=C,\,Si,\,Ge,\,Sn$  and Pb)

From conformational view, both singlet and triplet states of  $C_2H_2M$  have planar forms (Scheme 2). The bond lengths for singlet states of  $C_2H_2C$  indicate a prefect electron current in the ring. The  $\angle C_2-M_1-C_3$  angles for singlet states of  $C_2H_2M$ (except M=C and Si) is larger with respect to their triplet states. For both singlet and triplet states of  $C_2H_2M$ , the  $\angle C_2-M_1-C_3$  angle decrease from M=C toward M=Pb. Geometric results especially bond lengths data indicate high aromatic character for singlet state of  $C_2H_2M$ . All carbon-carbon bonds for singlet state of  $C_2H_2C$  have approximately the same distance. Therefore, the aromatic character is the highest for singlet state of  $C_2H_2C$ .

The NICS calculations are carried out for both singlet and triplet states of  $C_2H_2M$ . NICS (0.5) calculation generally gives the reliable results (Table 1). The order of NICS (0.5) calculations for singlet state of  $C_2H_2M$  are:

 $C_2H_2C$  27.6 > $C_2H_2Si$  18.9 > $C_2H_2Ge$  13.9 > $C_2H_2Pb$  12.8 > $C_2H_2Sn$  10.3. The results show aromatic character for singlet state of  $C_2H_2M$ . The highest aromatic character is belonging to  $C_2H_2C$ . The results of NICS (0.5) calculations show nonaromatic character for triplet states of  $C_2H_2M$ (except M=Ge and Pb).

The calculations indicate that the triplet state of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C is ground state with planar conformer relative to its corresponding nonplanar singlet state. For C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>M (M=Si, Ge, Sn and Pb), the stabilized structure of both singlet and triplet states have planar conformer. Singlet



Scheme 2 Full optimized and ground state tautomers and conformers for singlet and triplet states for  $C_2H_2M$ ,  $C_4H_4M$  and  $C_6H_6M(M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Pb)$ 

Table 1 NICS calculations for aromatic determination for singlet (s) and triplet (t) states of  $C_2H_2M$ ,  $C_4H_4M$  and  $C_6H_6M$ (in where M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Pb) at B3LYP/6-311++G(3df, 2p) level

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	NICS	NICS	NICS	NICS	NICS	NICS	NICS	NICS	
Compound	(0)	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.8)	(1.0)	(1.2)	
				$C_2H_2M$					
$M=C_{(s)}$	1.7024	20.977	26.704	27.605	26.908	22.392	16.825	12.212	
$M{=}Si_{\scriptscriptstyle{(s)}}$	13.834	15.514	18.246	18.856	18.715	16.621	13.450	10.399	
$M=Ge_{(s)}$	13.095	13.283	13.694	13.864	13.900	13.346	11.954	10.071	
$M=Sn_{(s)}$	9.170	9.324	9.906	10.351	10.801	11.257	10.696	9.344	
$M{=}Pb_{\scriptscriptstyle (s)}$	11.888	12.448	13.151	13.109	12.711	11.091	9.059	7.202	
M=C <sub>(t)</sub>	10.902	6.671	2.359	-2.289	-6.513	-12.070	-13.534	-12.335	
$M=Si_{(t)}$	1.486	0.267	-3.070	-5.198	-7.316	-10.639	-12.053	-11.777	
$M=Ge_{(t)}$	20.957	19.658	16.337	14.311	12.258	8.539	5.693	3.732	
$M=Sn_{(t)}$	17.589	14.046	6.524	2.483	-1.215	-6.789	-9.720	-10.584	
$M=Pb_{(t)}$	25.314	24.191	21.204	19.288	17.258	13.277	9.846	7.167	
				$C_4H_4M$					
$M=C_{(s)}$	2.043	2.568	2.345	2.075	1.805	1.429	1.308	1.290	
$M=Si_{(s)}$	-15.685	-15.206	-13.849	-12.853	-11.856	-9.581	-7.377	-5.484	
$M=Ge_{(s)}$	-15.563	-15.088	-13.748	12.772	-11.795	-9.580	-7.438	-5.590	
$M=Sn_{(s)}$	-11.429	-11.096	-10.170	9.503	-8.835	-7.312	-5.798	-4.430	
$M=Pb_{(s)}$	-10.080	-9.785	-8.980	8.410	-7.840	-6.557	-5.276	-4.095	
$M=C_{(t)}$	-9.062	-9.520	-10.295	-10.318	-10.341	-9.295	-7.574	-5.773	
M=Si <sub>(t)</sub>	2.942	2.826	2.555	2.415	2.275	2.083	1.968	1.868	
M=Ge(t)	4.495	4.360	4.022	3.811	3.599	3.195	2.857	2.520	
M=Sn <sub>(t)</sub>	-1.214	-0.420	1.487	2.527	3.567	5.108	5.903	6.082	
M=Pb <sub>(t)</sub>	-1.427	-0.633	1.274	2.314	3.354	4.895	5.690	5.869	
				C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> M					
M=C <sub>(s)</sub>	5.341	5.513	5.901	6.093	6.237	6.301	6.027	5.482	
$M=Si_{(s)}$	2.457	2.773	3.568	4.044	4.513	5.286	5.706	5.751	
M=Ge <sub>(s)</sub>	2.093	2.395	3.158	3.615	4.065	4.811	5.229	5.298	
M=Sn <sub>(s)</sub>	1.346	1.573	2.139	2.478	2.815	3.398	3.780	3.945	
$M{=}\mathrm{Pb}_{\scriptscriptstyle{(s)}}$	1.141	1.343	1.847	2.149	2.451	2.984	3.360	3.560	
M-C	33 020	33 642	22 715	-31.972	31.022	28 614	25 664	22 470	
M=C <sub>(t)</sub>	-33.930 39.792	-33.643	-32.715		-31.032	-28.614 34.883	-25.664 31.807	-22.479	
M=Si <sub>(t)</sub>	-39.792	-39.557	-38.758	-38.089	-37.218	-34.883	-31.897	-28.532 0.456	
M=Ge <sub>(t)</sub>	-13.306	-13.627	-13.431	-13.154	-12.777	-11.800	-10.651	-9.456	
$M=Sn_{(t)}$ $M=Pb_{(t)}$	-3.947 -2.563	-4.513 -3.265	-4.580 -3.396	-4.466 -3.304	-4.283 -3.144	-3.794 -2.709	-3.253 -2.244	-2.749 -1.834	

state of C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>C may have a nonaromatic character due to its nonplanar conformation.

NICS (0.5) calculations show nonaromatic character for the singlet state of  $C_4H_4C$  and antiaromatic character to  $C_4H_4M$  (M=Si, Ge, Sn and Pb) (Table 1). In contrast, NICS (0.5) calculations indicate antiaromatic character for the triplet state of  $C_4H_4C$  and nonaromatic character to  $C_4H_4M$  (M=Si, Ge, Sn and Pb).

The calculations on singlet state of  $C_6H_6C$  show a ground state with non-planar, twist, conformer and allenic tautomer (Scheme 2). In contrast, for singlet state of  $C_6H_6M$  (M=Si, Ge, Sn and Pb), the carbenic tautomer with planar conformer is ground state (Scheme 2). Meanwhile, the quasi double bond is formed between  $C_3$  and  $C_4$  as well as  $C_5$  and  $C_6$  (Scheme 2). For triplet state of  $C_6H_6C$ , the planar conformer with allenic tautomer is ground state (Scheme 2). For triplet state of  $C_6H_6S$ i, the carbenic tautomer with planar conformer is ground state. For triplet state of  $C_6H_6M$  (M =Ge, Sn and Pb), the carbenic tautomer with boat conformer is ground state.

The bond lengths of singlet and triplet states indicate an allenic tautomer for  $C_6H_6C$  with respect to a carbenic tautomer for heavier analogues of  $C_6H_6M$  (M = Si, Ge, Sn and Pb). So, the bond lengths  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{34}$  for singlet and triplet states of  $C_6H_6C$  are shorter than that for  $C_6H_6M$ . The bond length  $R_{12}$  for singlet state is shorter than for triplet states of  $C_6H_6C$  while the bond length  $R_{12}$  for singlet state is larger than that for triplet states of  $C_6H_6M$ . From geometric point view, it may be concluded that neither singlet states nor triplet states of  $C_6H_6M$  could have aromatic character.

NICS (0.5) calculations show a slightly homoaromatic character for the singlet state of  $C_6H_6M$  decreasing from M=C to M=Pb (Table 1). Also, NICS (0.5) calculations indicate anti-aromatic character for triplet state of  $C_6H_6M$ . The most anti-aromatic character is belonged to triplet state of  $C_6H_6Si$ .

### 3 Conclusion

The result of NICS (0.5) calculations show aromatic character for singlet state of  $C_2H_2M$  (M=C, Si, Ge, Sn and Sn) and nonaromatic character for triplet states of  $C_2H_2M$  (except M=Ge and Pb). NICS (0.5)

calculations show nonaromatic character for the singlet state of  $C_4H_4C$  and antiaromatic character for  $C_4H_4M(M=Si, Ge, Sn \text{ and Pb})$ . In contrast, NICS (0.5) calculations indicate antiaromatic character for the triplet state of  $C_4H_4C$  and nonaromatic character to  $C_4H_4M$  (M=Si, Ge, Sn and Pb). NICS (0.5) calculations show a slightly homoaromatic character for the singlet state of  $C_6H_6M$  and anti-aromatic character for triplet state of  $C_6H_6M$ .

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