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In D_{6h} for $(x_1, y_1, z_1, \dots, x_{12}, y_{12}, z_{12})$

D_{6h}	E	$2C_6$	$2C_3$	C_2	$3C_2'$	$3C_2''$	i	$2S_6$	$2S_6$	σ_h	$3\sigma_d$	$3\sigma_d$
$\chi(R)$	36	0	0	0	-4	0	0	0	0	12	0	4

getting the irreducible reps

$2A_{1g} = \frac{48}{48}$	36				-12					+12		+12
$2A_{2g} = \frac{48}{24}$	36				+12					+12		-12
$0B_{1g} = 0$	36				-12					-12		-12
$2B_{2g} = \frac{48}{24}$	36				12					-12		12
$2E_{1g} = \frac{48}{24}$	72				0					-24		6
$4E_{2g} = \frac{96}{24}$	72				0					24		0
$0A_{1u} = 0$	36				-12					-12		-12
$2A_{2u} = \frac{48}{24}$	36				12					-12		12
$2B_{1u} = \frac{48}{24}$	36				-12					12		12
$2B_{2u} = \frac{48}{24}$	36				12					12		-12
$4E_{1u} = \frac{96}{24}$	72				0					24		0
$2E_{2u} = \frac{48}{24}$	72				0					-24		0

Total irred reps

$2A_{1g}, 2A_{2g}, 2B_{2g}, 2E_{1g}, 4E_{2g}, 2A_{2u}$
 $2B_{1u}, 2B_{2u}, 4E_{1u}, 2E_{2u}$

Translational: E_{1u}, A_{2u}

Rotational: E_{1g}, A_{2g}

(b)

Vibrational modes = $2A_{1g}, A_{2g}, 2B_{2g}, E_{1g}, 4E_{2g}, A_{2u}, 2B_{1u}, 2B_{2u}, 3E_{1u}, 2E_{2u}$
 activity R N N R R IR N N IR N
 (N = neither IR or RAMAN)

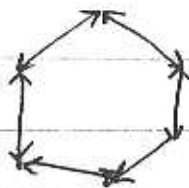
(c) in-plane vibrations have $\chi(\sigma_u) = +1, +2$
 so that the inplane modes are

$2A_{1g}, A_{2g}, 4E_{2g}, 2B_{1u}, 2B_{2u}, 3E_{1u} = 21 \text{ modes}$

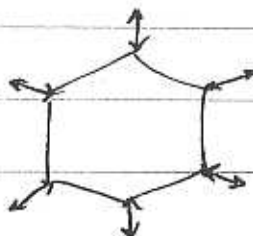
This corresponds to $24 = (12 \times 2^{(x,y)})$ inplane
 coordinates minus three zero-frequency
 modes (x, y) translation and R_z

The best way to go for determining
 the in-plane modes is to evaluate the modes
 arising from C-C and C-H stretches. The
 in-plane angle bends would then correspond
 to those remaining in the above (part c) list.

C-C stretch



C-H stretch



D_{6h}	E	$2C_6$	$2C_3$	C_2	$3C_2'$	$3C_2''$	i	$2S_6$	$3C_2$	$3C_2'$	$3C_2''$
$\chi(R)_{C-C}$	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0
$\chi(R)_{C-H}$	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2

From C-C $A_{1g}, E_{2g}, B_{2u}, E_{1u}$ From C-H $A_{1g}, E_{2g}, B_{1u}, E_{1u}$

Angular (by looking at "unclaimed in plane")
 $A_{2g}, 2E_{2g}, B_{1u}, B_{2u}, E_{1u}$

The out-of-plane vibrational ^{"wagging"} modes have
 $\chi(\sigma_h) = -1, -2$: $2B_{2g}, E_{1g}, A_{2u}, 2E_{2u}$
 (these are the $\chi(\sigma_h) = -1, -2$ from
 list of all normal modes)

To isolate the C-H out-of-plane wagging modes from out-of-plane ring bends, consider the 6 independent angles C-H bonds make with the plane of the molecule



	E	$2C_6$	$2C_3$	C_2	$3C_2'$	$3C_2''$	$2S_6$	$3\sigma_h$	$3\sigma_d$
$\chi_{(R)}$	6	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	-6

$B_{2g}, E_{1g}, A_{2u}, E_{2u}$ result
as waggings

[B_{2g}, E_{2u} are ring-bends out-of-plane]