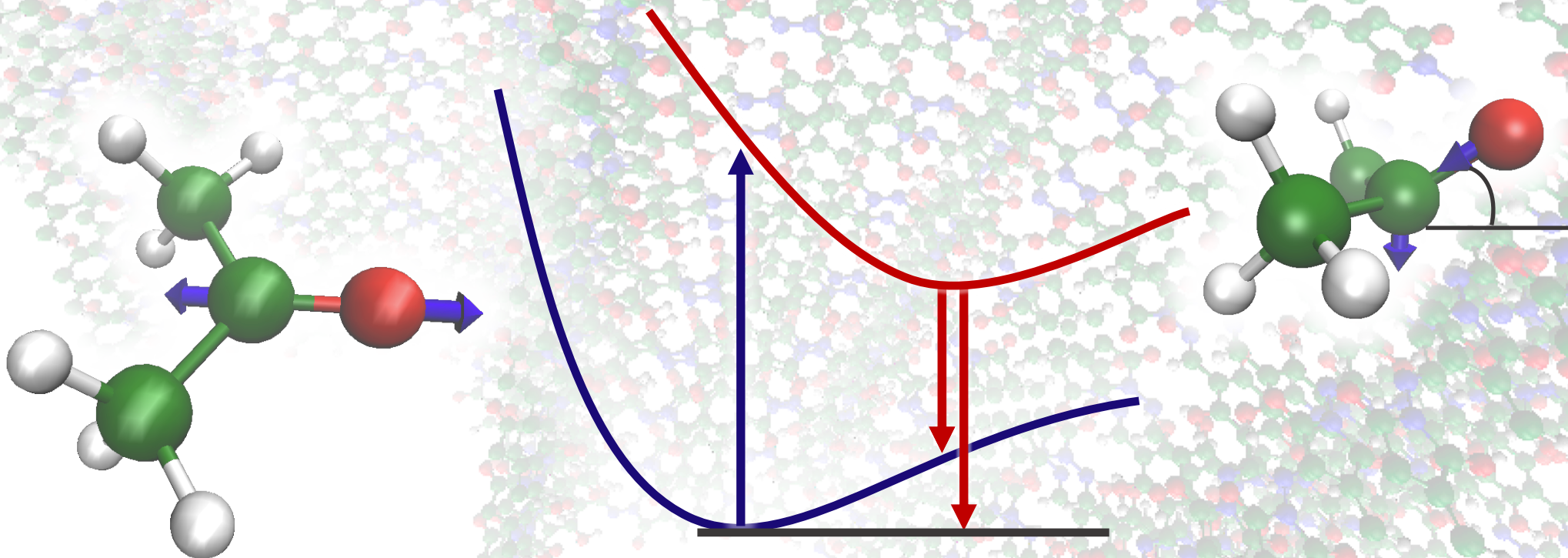


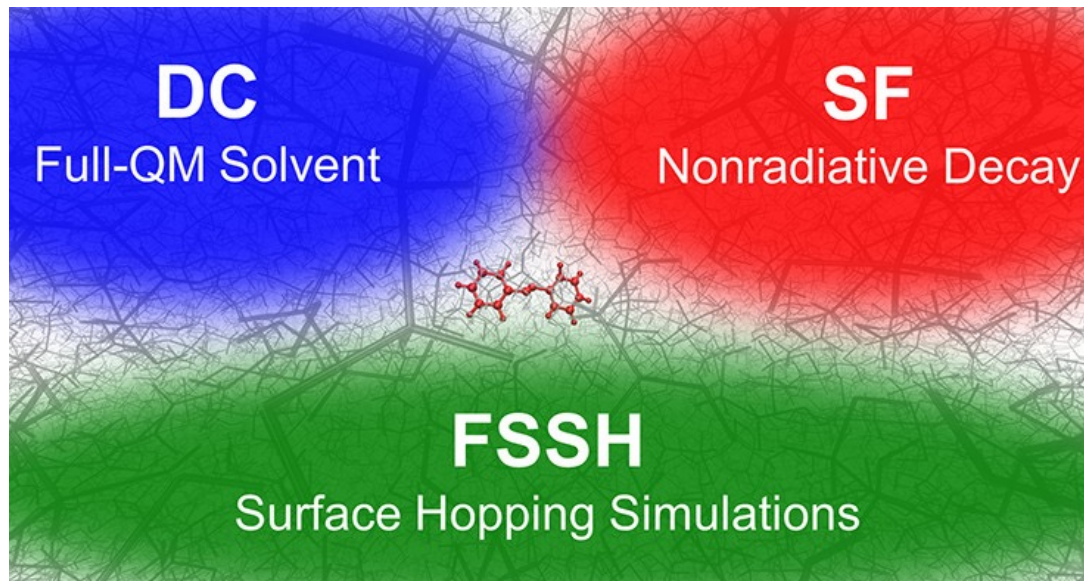
# Towards efficient excited-state dynamics with hybrid functional accuracy for large-scale periodic systems

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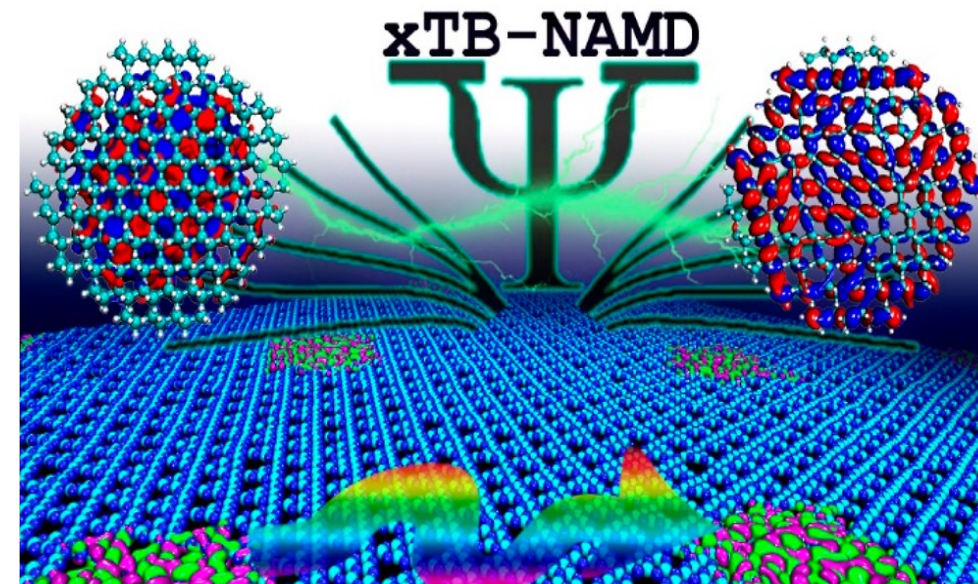


# Motivation



Divide and Conquer Spin-Flip TD-DFTB + orbital derivative couplings in the DCDFTB Code.

Uratani, Yoshikawa, Nakai, *JCTC* 17, 1290–1300 (2021).



Extended Tight-binding + orbital derivative couplings in the Libra code.

Shakiba, Stippell, Li, Akimov, *JCTC* (2022).

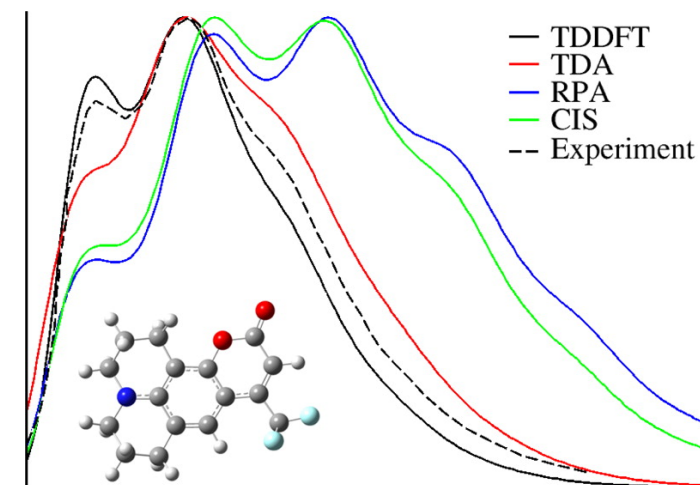
-> **Efficient excited-state properties with hybrid functional accuracy for periodic systems**

# Theoretical spectroscopy for periodic systems

## Tamm-Dancoff Approximation (TDA)

adequate model for absorption and fluorescence spectra

Jacquemin et al., *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* 9, 4517, (2013).



**CP2K**

AO-based formalism

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{\Omega}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{X}$$

Projection to ensure  $X_{ij\sigma} = 0$

$$\sum_{\kappa k} [F_{\mu\kappa\sigma}\delta_{ik} - F_{ik\sigma}S_{\mu\kappa}] X_{\kappa k\sigma} + \sum_{\kappa\lambda} Q_{\mu\kappa\sigma}^{\dagger} K_{\kappa\lambda\sigma} [\mathbf{D}^{\mathbf{x}}] C_{\lambda i\sigma} = \sum_{\kappa} \Omega S_{\mu\kappa} X_{\kappa i\sigma}$$

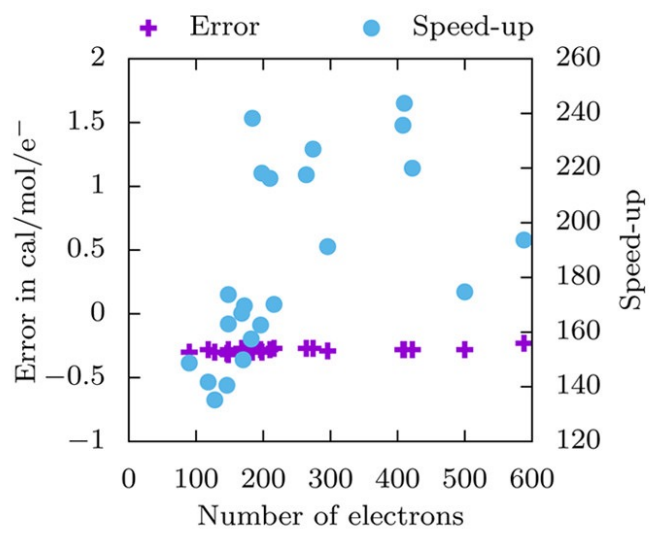
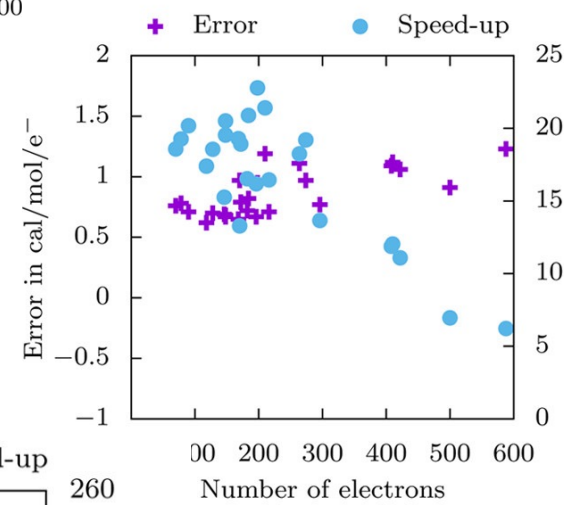
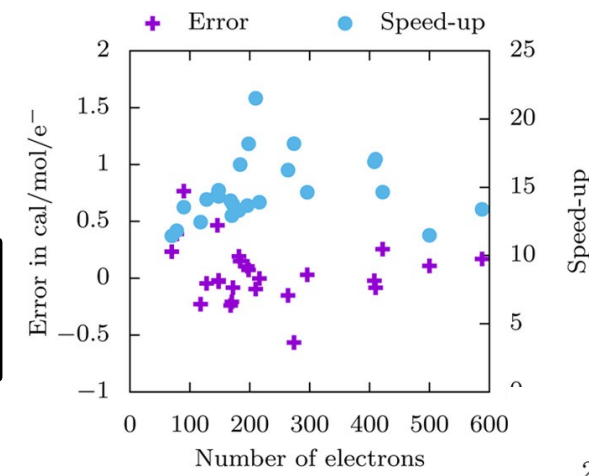
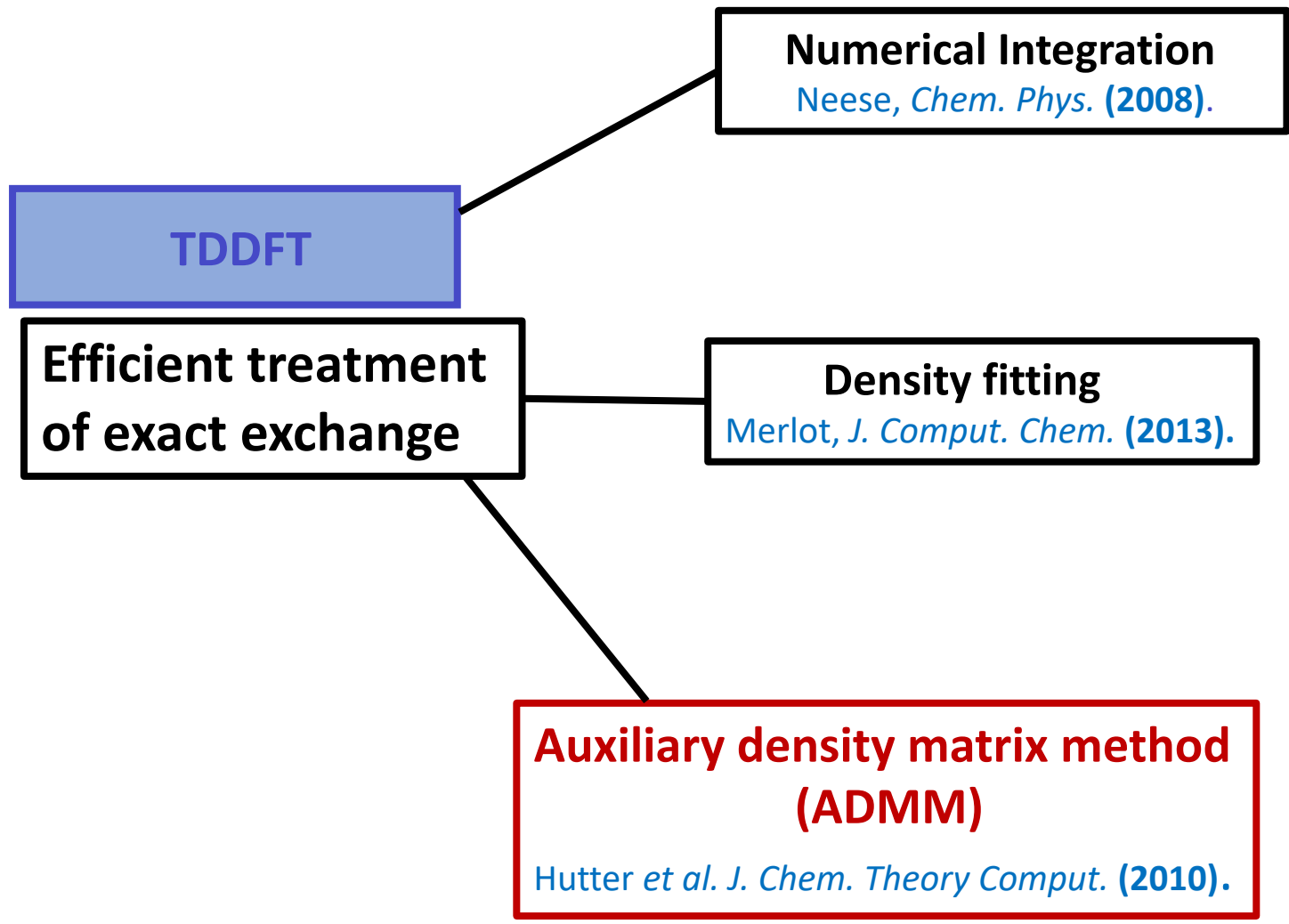
$$K_{\mu\nu\sigma}[\mathbf{D}^{\mathbf{x}}] = \sum_{\kappa\lambda\sigma'} D_{\kappa\lambda\sigma'}^{\mathbf{x}} [(\mu\nu|\kappa\lambda) - a_{\text{EX}}\delta_{\sigma\sigma'}(\mu\kappa|\nu\lambda) + f_{\mu\nu\sigma,\kappa\lambda\sigma'}^{\text{XC}}]$$

Coulomb

Exchange

XC functional

# Approach I: A robust formulation for exact exchange







## Approach I: A robust formulation for exact exchange

State-of-the-art algorithms to reduce the computational cost of exchange:

- ➡ Numerical integration (COSX) *Neese, Chem. Phys. 356, 98 (2008).*
- ➡ Density fitting (PARI-K) *Merlot, J. Comput. Chem. 34, 1486 (2013).*
- ➡ **Auxiliary density matrix method (ADMM)** *Guidon et al. J. Chem. Theory Comput. 6, 2348 (2010).*

$$D_{\kappa\lambda\sigma}^X(\mu\kappa|\nu\lambda) \approx \sum_{\hat{\kappa}\hat{\lambda}} \sum_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} \hat{D}_{\hat{\kappa}\hat{\lambda}\sigma}^X \hat{U}_{\hat{\mu}\mu\sigma}^T(\hat{\mu}\hat{\kappa}|\hat{\nu}\hat{\lambda}) \hat{U}_{\hat{\nu}\nu\sigma}$$

exact exchange with small auxiliary density

$$+ \left[ \sum_{\kappa\lambda} D_{\kappa\lambda\sigma}^X f_{\mu\kappa\sigma,\nu\lambda\sigma}^{\text{EX}} - \sum_{\hat{\kappa}\hat{\lambda}} \sum_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} \hat{D}_{\hat{\kappa}\hat{\lambda}\sigma}^X \hat{U}_{\hat{\mu}\mu\sigma}^T f_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\kappa}\sigma,\hat{\nu}\hat{\lambda}\sigma}^{\text{EX}} \hat{U}_{\hat{\nu}\nu\sigma} \right]$$

1st order GGA correction term

Possible ADMM variant:  
Auxiliary density matrix by projection

$$\hat{\mathbf{D}} = \hat{\mathbf{U}} \mathbf{D} \hat{\mathbf{U}}^\dagger \quad \hat{S}_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} = \int \hat{\varphi}_{\hat{\mu}}(\mathbf{r}) \hat{\varphi}_{\hat{\nu}}(\mathbf{r}) \, d\mathbf{r}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{U}} = \hat{\mathbf{S}}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{V}} \quad \hat{V}_{\hat{\mu}\nu} = \int \hat{\varphi}_{\hat{\mu}}(\mathbf{r}) \varphi_{\nu}(\mathbf{r}) \, d\mathbf{r}$$

# Approach II: Semi-empirical tight binding

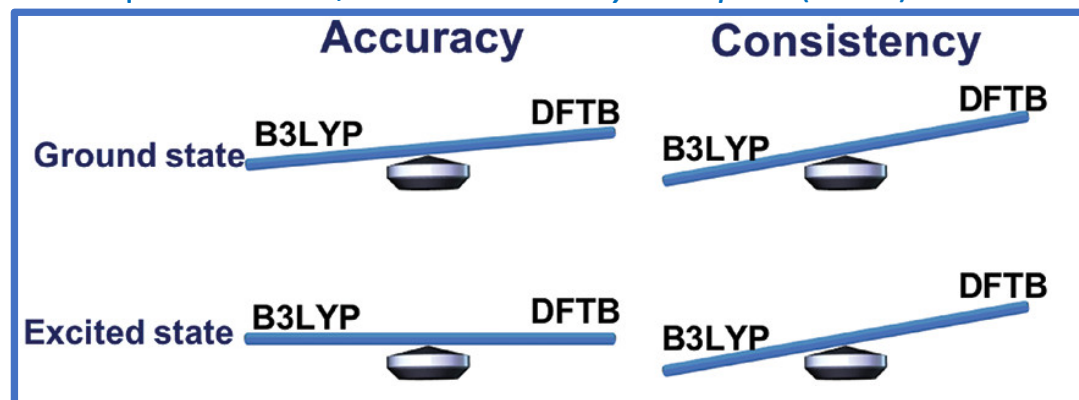
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Extensions for  
excited-state  
properties

Elstner et al., *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* (2021).

TDDFTB  
Benchmarks

Jacquemin et al., *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* (2019).



1. Semi-empirical tight binding

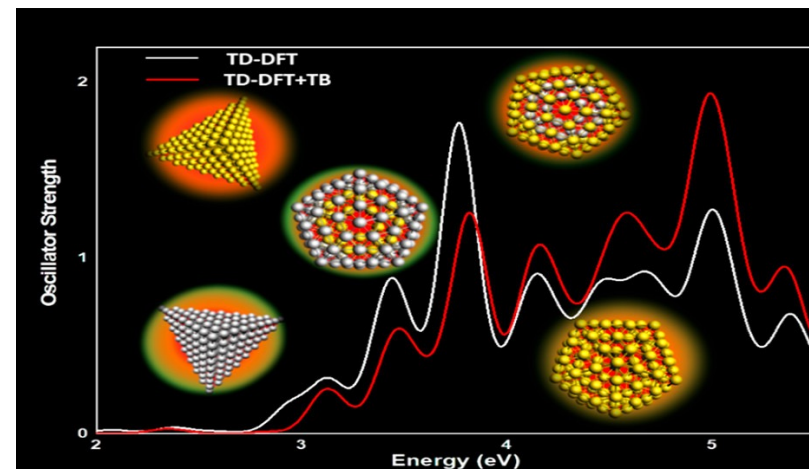
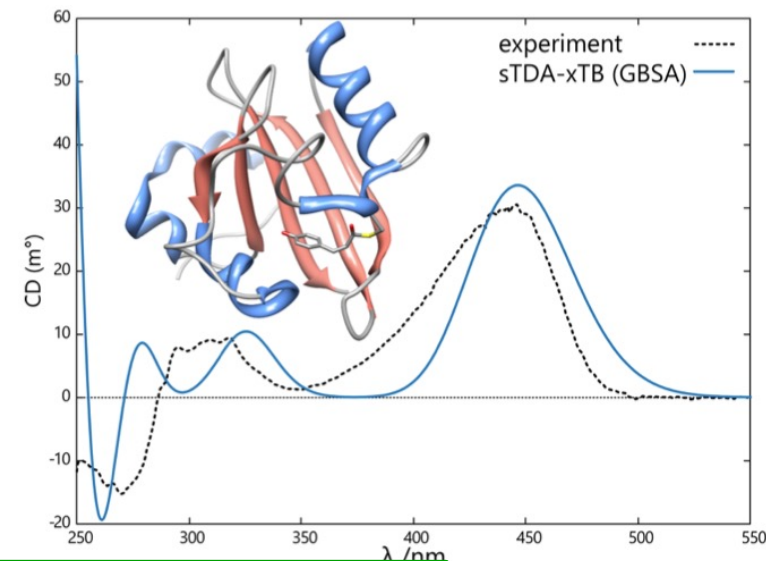
Global parameters only!

Simplified TDA (sTDA)

Grimme, *J. Chem. Phys.* (2013).

TDDFT+TB

Visscher et al., *J. Phys. Chem. C* (2020).





## Approach II: Simplified Tamm Dancoff Approximation

$$K_{\mu\nu\sigma}[\mathbf{D}^X] = \sum_{\kappa\lambda\sigma'} D_{\kappa\lambda\sigma'}^X \left[ (\mu\nu|\kappa\lambda) - a_{\text{EX}} \delta_{\sigma\sigma'} (\mu\kappa|\nu\lambda) + f_{\mu\nu\sigma,\kappa\lambda\sigma'}^{\text{XC}} \right]$$

Semi-empirical  
tight binding  
reference

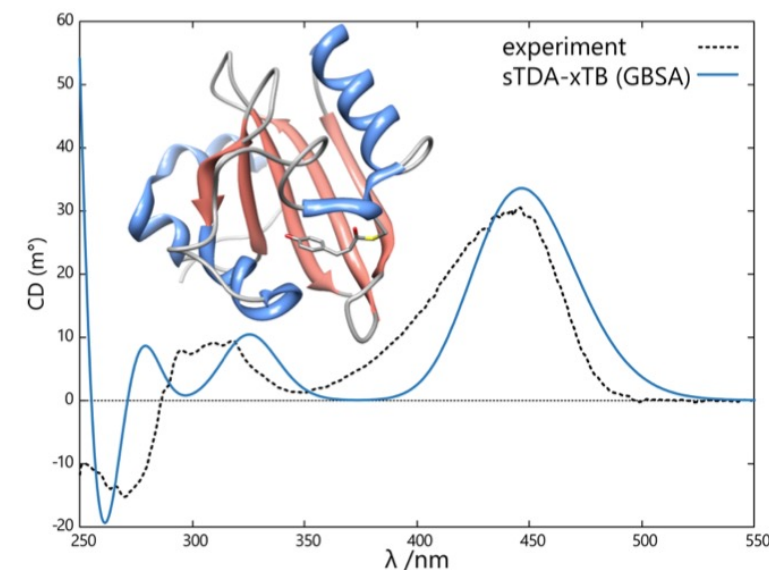
1. Approximate two-electron  
integrals

$$(pq\sigma|rs\sigma')^{\text{sTDA}} = \sum_A \sum_B q_{pq\sigma}^A q_{rs\sigma'}^B \gamma(A, B)$$

$$\gamma(A, B) = \left( \frac{1}{(R_{AB})^\alpha + \eta^{-\alpha}} \right)^{1/\alpha}$$

2. Neglect  
XC kernel

- ➔ Minimal number of global parameters
- ➔ Correct asymptotics for electron repulsion
- ➔ System sizes of several hundreds of atoms





## Treating periodicity within CP2K

$\Gamma$ -point only, MOs and integrals are periodically replicated  
Ewald summation for Coulomb contributions

Slightly different results in comparison to sTDA code by Grimme !

$$\gamma(A, B) = \left( \frac{1}{(R_{AB})^\alpha + \eta^{-\alpha}} \right)^{1/\alpha} \longrightarrow \gamma_{\text{PBC}}^{\text{J}}(A, B) + \frac{1}{R_{AB}}$$

semi-empirical short-range

exact long-range

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{\text{PBC}}^{\text{J}}(A, B) &= \eta &= \left( \frac{1}{(R_{AB})^\alpha + \eta^{-\alpha}} \right)^{1/\alpha} &= f(\bar{R})\gamma^{\text{J}}(A, B) - \frac{f(\bar{R})}{R_{AB}} \end{aligned}$$

A horizontal axis representing the distance  $R_{AB}$  is shown. It has an arrow pointing to the right. Three vertical tick marks are placed on the axis: the first is labeled  $< 10^{-6} \text{ a.u.}$ , the second is labeled  $R_{\text{smooth}}$ , and the third is labeled  $R_{\text{cut}}$ .



# Excited-state properties for ADMM and sTDA: a Lagrangian for AO-based TDDFT

Lagrange / Z vector formalism to avoid 1st order response:

## 1. Excitation energies

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}_n = \Omega_n \mathbf{S}\mathbf{X}_n \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{X}_n^\dagger \mathbf{S}\mathbf{X}_m = 1$$

Geometry dependence of AOs

Lagrangian for state  $n$ :  $L = \Omega + \bar{\mathbf{Z}}\mathbf{F} + \bar{\mathbf{W}}\mathbf{S}$

## 2. Z vector equation

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{C}} \rightarrow \mathbf{B}\bar{\mathbf{Z}} = -\mathbf{R}$$

## 3. Excited-state gradient

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \zeta} = \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial \zeta} + \bar{\mathbf{Z}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \zeta} + \bar{\mathbf{W}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial \zeta}$$

Brillouin condition

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i\alpha\sigma} \bar{Z}_{i\alpha\sigma} F_{i\alpha\sigma} &= \sum_{i\mu\nu\sigma} \bar{Z}_{i\nu\sigma} Q_{\mu\nu\sigma}^\dagger F_{\mu i\sigma} \\ &= \sum_{i\mu\nu\sigma} \bar{Z}_{i\nu\sigma} (F_{\nu\mu\sigma} C_{\mu i\sigma} - S_{\nu\mu} C_{\mu i\sigma} \epsilon_{i\sigma}) \end{aligned}$$

Furche, Ahlrichs, *J Chem Phys*, 121, 12772 (2002); Hutter, *J Chem Phys*, 118, 3928 (2003).

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## Transformation rules

$$M_{\mu\nu\sigma}^{\text{AO}} = \sum_{\kappa\lambda kl} S_{\mu\kappa} C_{\kappa k\sigma}^T M_{kl\sigma}^{\text{MO}} C_{l\lambda\sigma} S_{\lambda\nu}$$

$$M_{kl\sigma}^{\text{MO}} = \sum_{\kappa\lambda} C_{\kappa k\sigma}^T M_{\kappa\lambda\sigma}^{\text{AO}} C_{\lambda l\sigma}$$

## Projection for Lagrange multipliers

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{C}} \mathbf{C} = 0 \rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{W}} \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{C}} \mathbf{Q} = 0 \rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{Z}}$$

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# The TDDFT module in CP2K



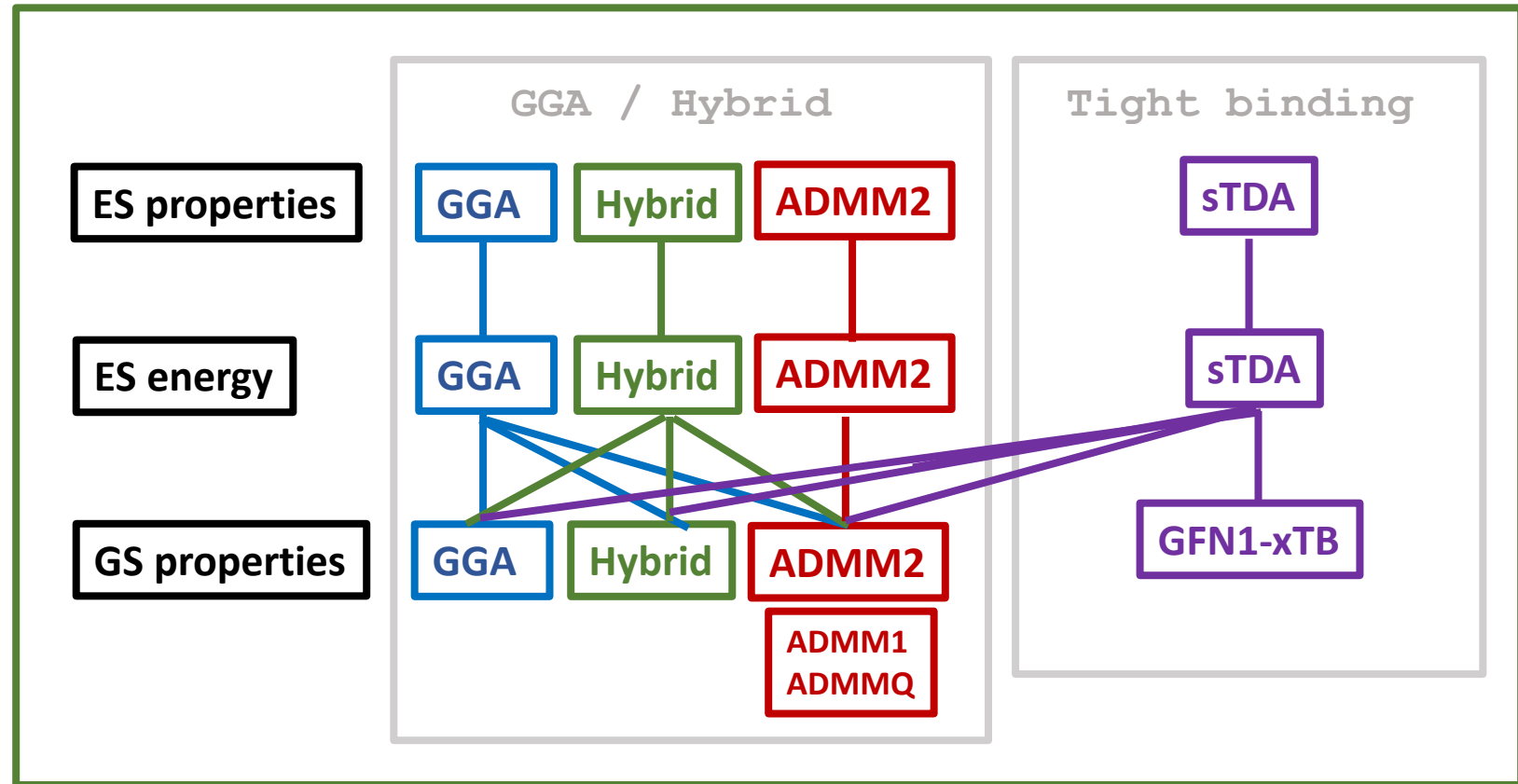
<http://www.cp2k.org/>

## ➔ Unified TDDFT code for excited-state properties

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&END GLOBAL
&PROPERTIES
  &TDDFPT
    KERNEL FULL / sTDA
    NSTATES 10
    MAX_ITER 100
    CONVERGENCE [eV] 1.0e-7
    RKS_TRIPLETS F
  &END TDDFPT
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  &EXCITED_STATES T
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  &END EXCITED_STATES
&AUXILIARY_DENSITY_MATRIX_METHOD
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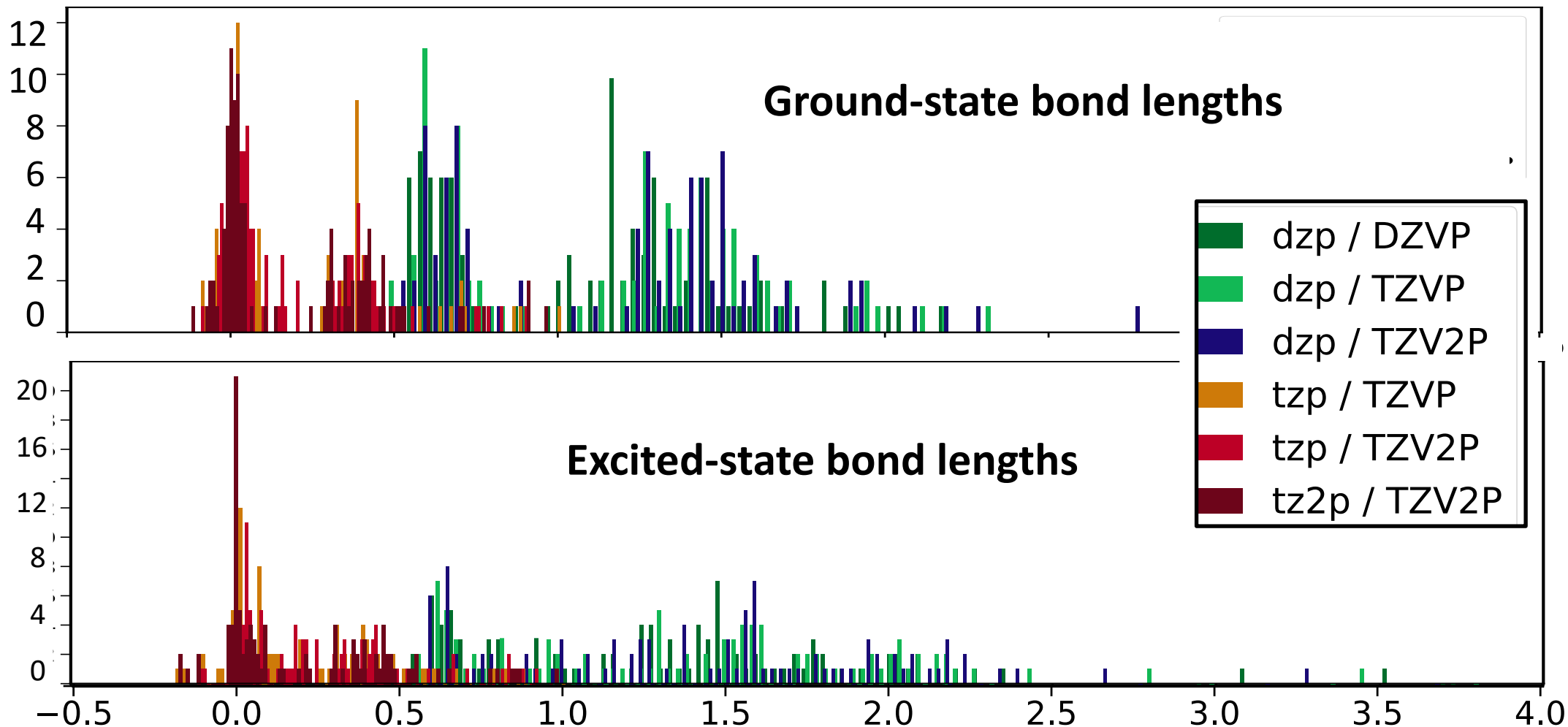


Iannuzzi *et al.*, CHIMIA, 59, 499 (2005); Strand *et al.* J. Chem. Phys. 150, 044702 (2019).

# I. Accuracy benchmark for molecular systems



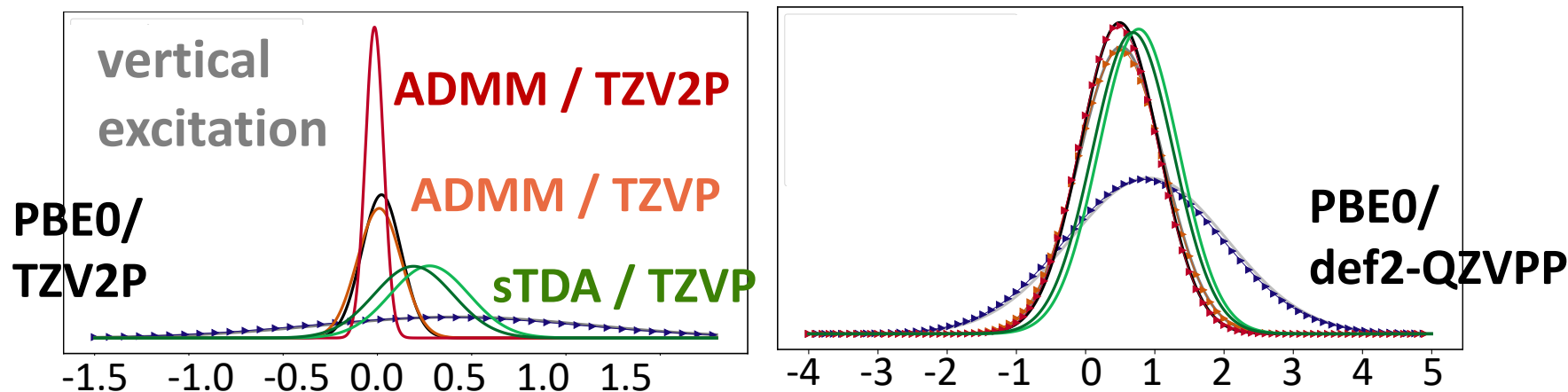
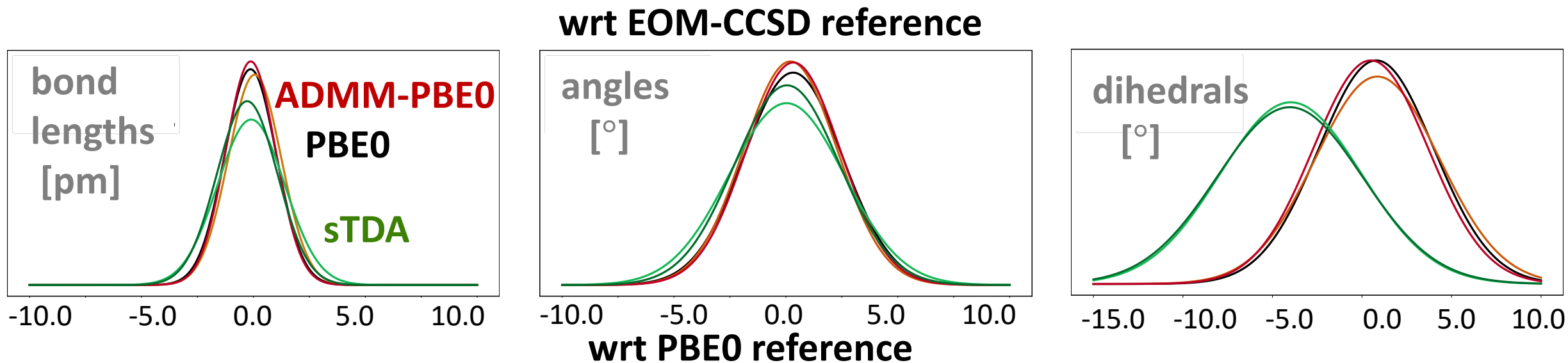
## ADMM-PBE0 geometries wrt PBE0 reference



➔ **ADMM error < 0.3 pm | < 0.1° for triple-zeta basis sets**

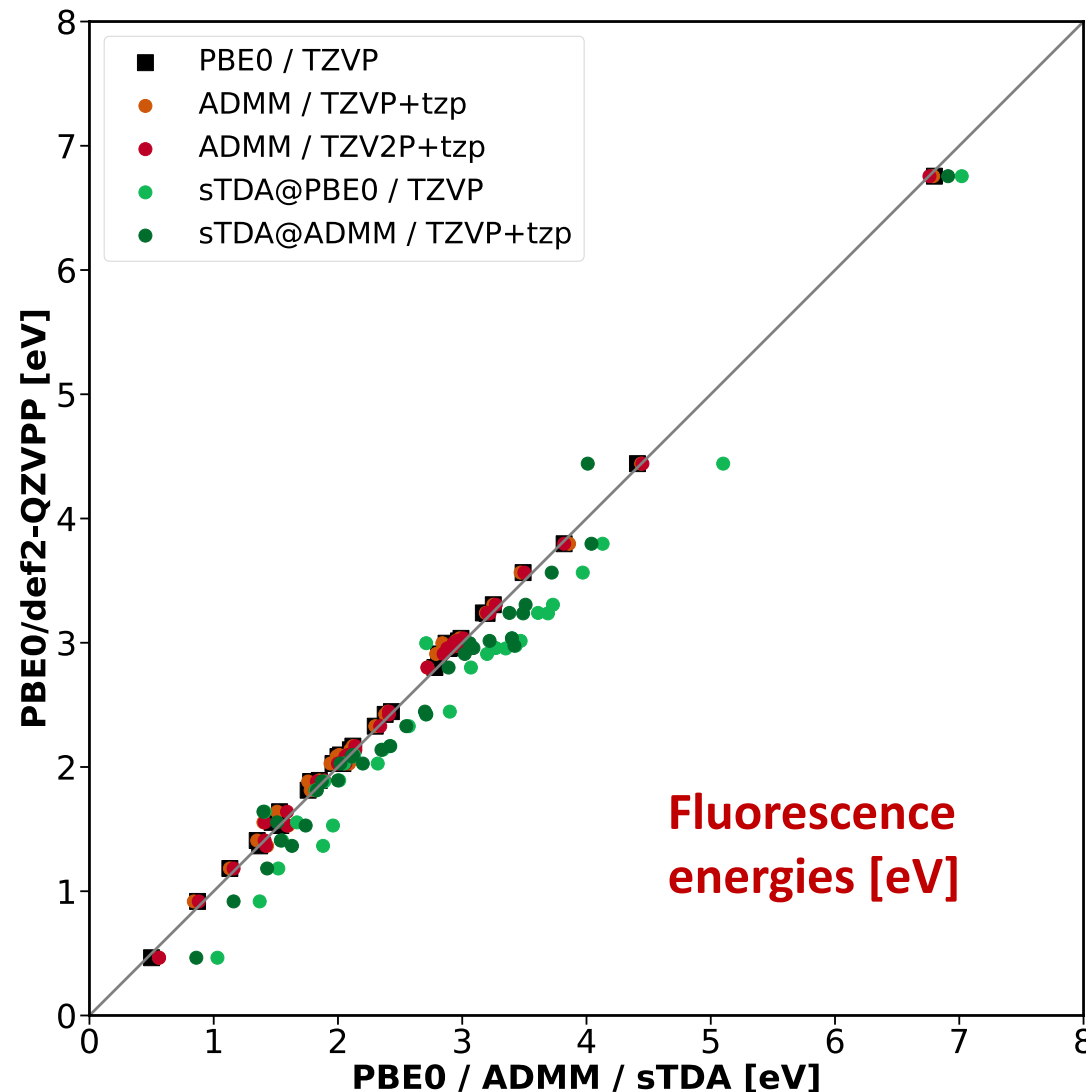
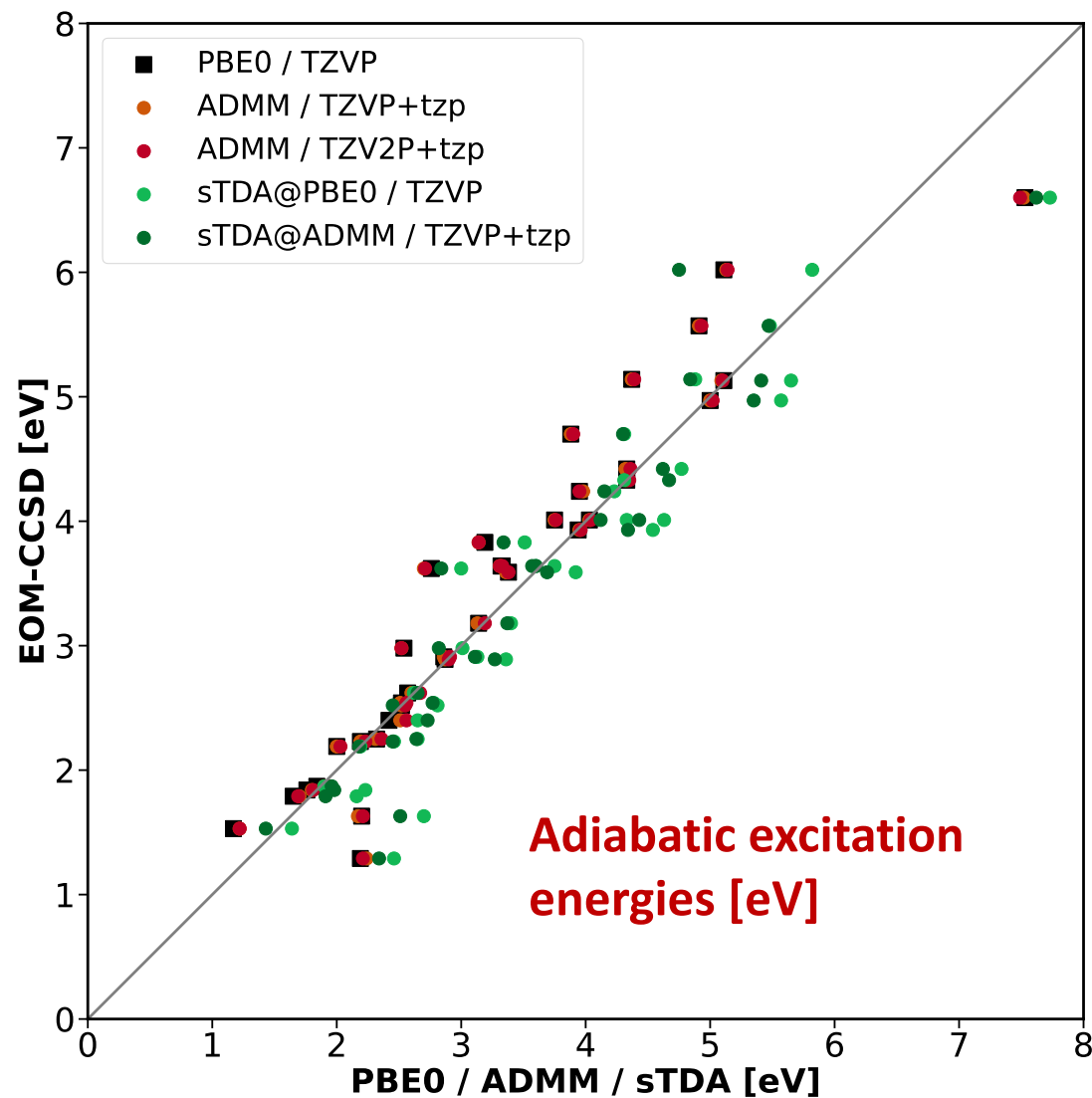


# I. Accuracy benchmark for molecular systems



➔ Error sTDA < 1.1 pm | < 1.6° for triple-zeta basis sets  
PBE0/ADMM < 0.9 pm | < 1.2°

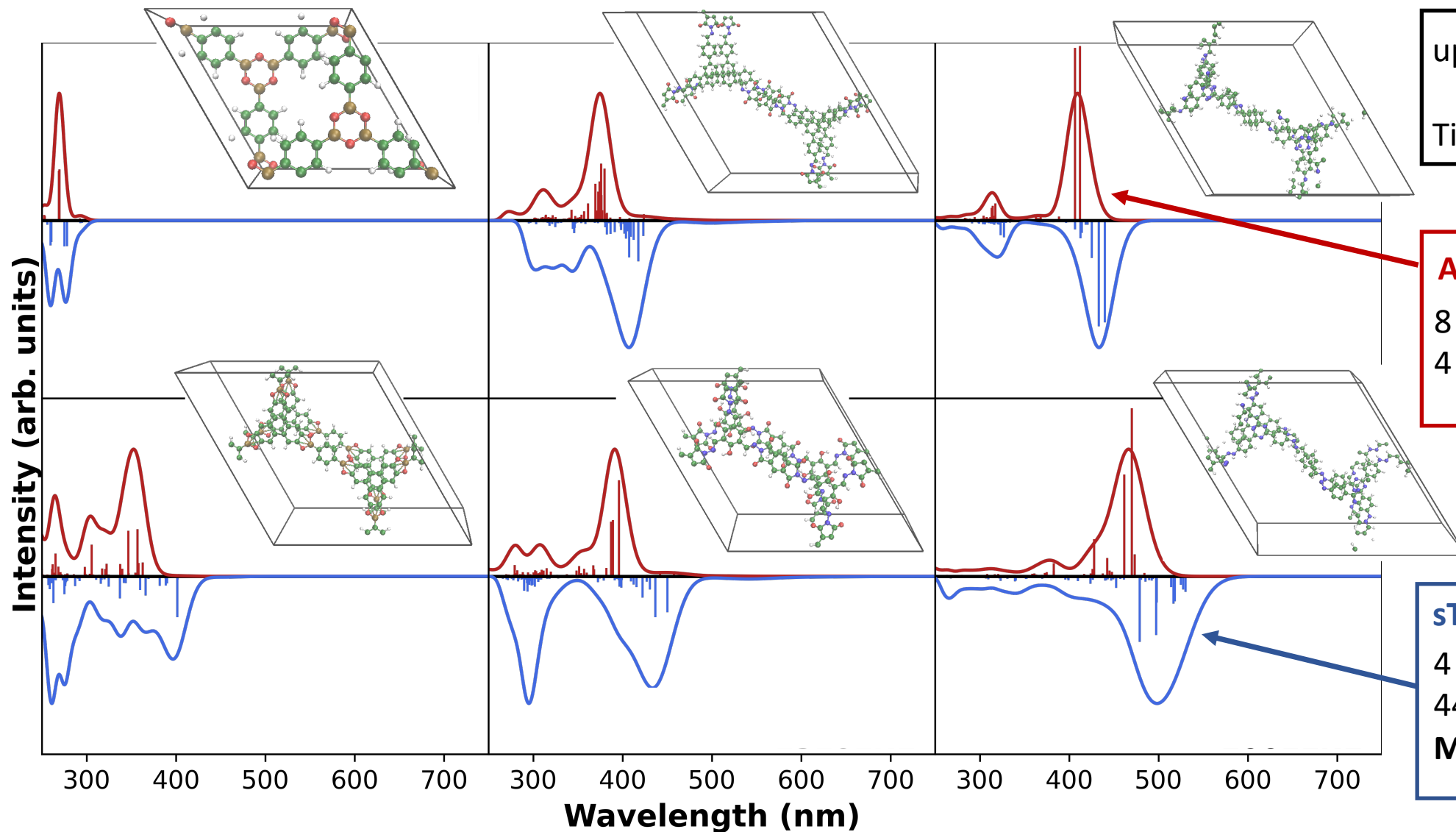
# I. Accuracy benchmark for molecular systems



**Errors in the range of 0.2 – 0.5 eV**



## II. Application to periodic systems



up to 300 atoms  
7440 basis functions  
Timings for 2304 cores

**ADMM-PBE0**

8 – 30 min for ES opt step  
4 – 10 hrs for 500 ES

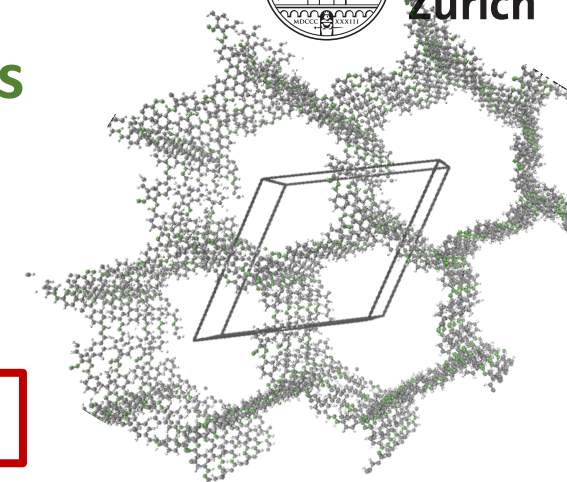
**sTDA**

4 – 10 min for ES opt step  
44 mins for 500 ES  
**MAD of 0.31 – 0.42 eV**

## Summary / Outlook: Toward efficient excited-state dynamics



New TDDFT module in CP2K for excited-state properties of periodic systems



GGA / Hybrid functionals

KS – DFT / Tight binding

**Auxiliary Density Matrix Method**

Speedup by 1 order of magnitude compared to hybrid functional

Accuracy of 0.3 pm / 0.02 – 0.07 eV wrt PBE0 reference

**From hrs to mins!**

**Simplified Tamm-Dancoff Approximation**

Speedup by 1 order of magnitude in comparison to ADMM for broad-range spectra

Accuracy of 1.1 pm / 0.2 – 0.5 eV wrt EOM-CCSD reference



ADMM / sTDA@ADMM
1 ES GEO Opt 5 min
500 Ex States 10.9 min

Feng *et al.* *Chem. Commun.*  
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# Summary / Outlook: Towards excited-state dynamics



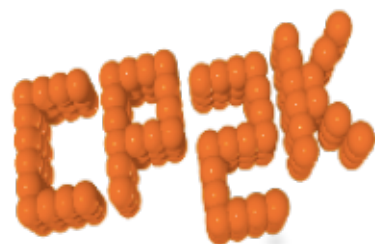
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Excited-state properties with  
hybrid functional accuracy

**ADMM-TDDFT**

**Semi-empirical sTDA**

Periodic boundary  
conditions



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**Adiabatic and Nonadiabatic dynamics**

On-the-fly velocity Verlet MD

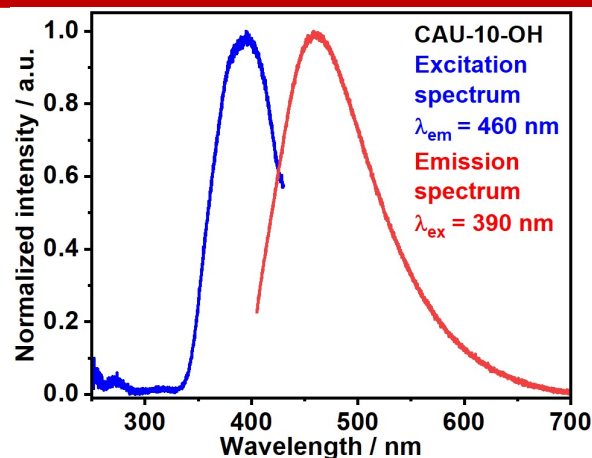
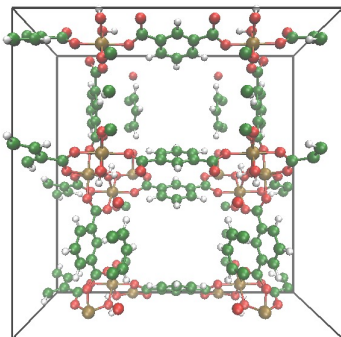
Fewest switches surface hopping

Local diabatization

Decoherence corrections

*Barbatti et al., WIREs: Comp. Mol. Sci. 4, 26 (2014).*

Fluorescence  
CAU10-MOFs



**Efficient nonadiabatic couplings**

Orbital derivative couplings

Baeck-An couplings

$$\sigma_{MN} \approx \frac{\text{sgn}(\Delta E_{MN})}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\Delta E_{MN}} \frac{d^2 \Delta E_{MN}}{dt^2}}$$



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