



Density Functional Theory based Embedding for Molecular
and Periodic systems using Gaussian basis functions

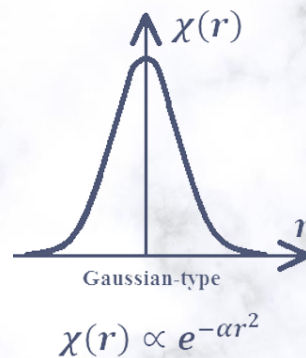
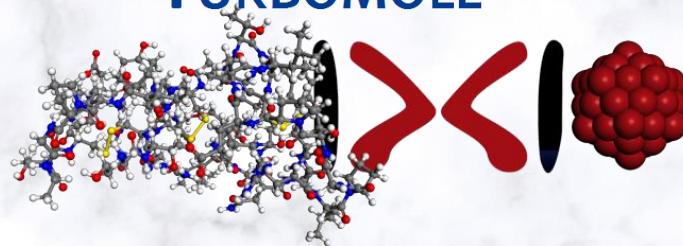
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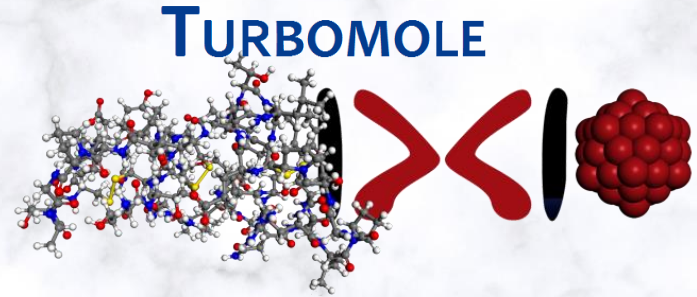
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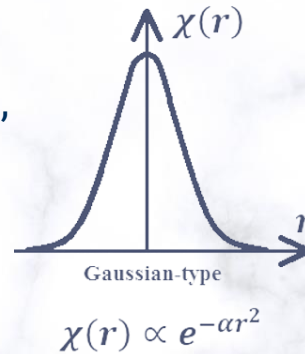


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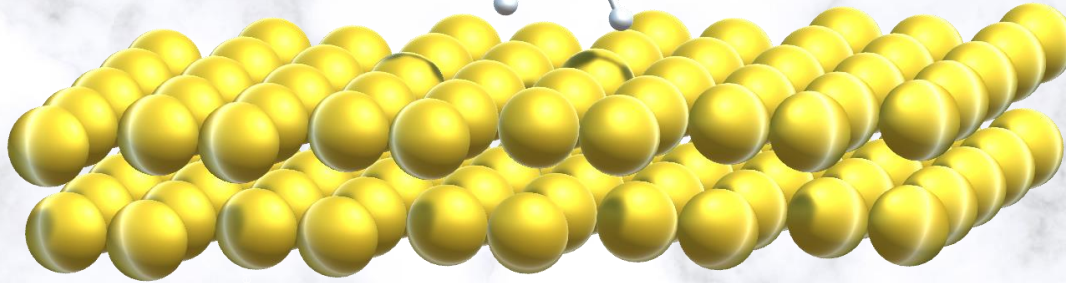
- Wave Function Theory methods like MP2, CCSD(T), etc.
- Real Time – Time Dependent Density Functional Theory (RT-TDDFT)



DFET in a nutshell



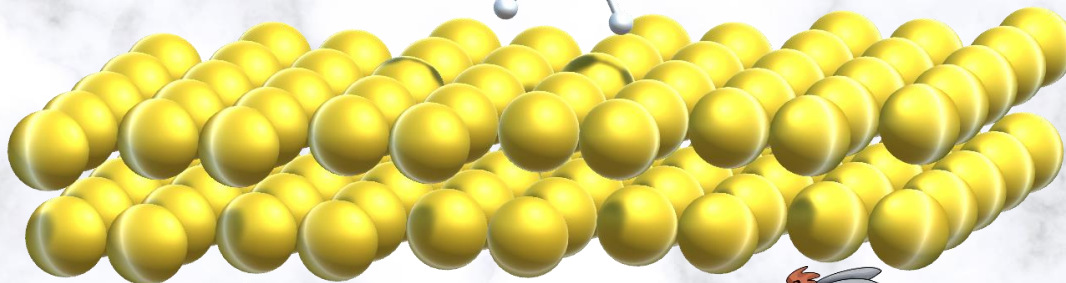
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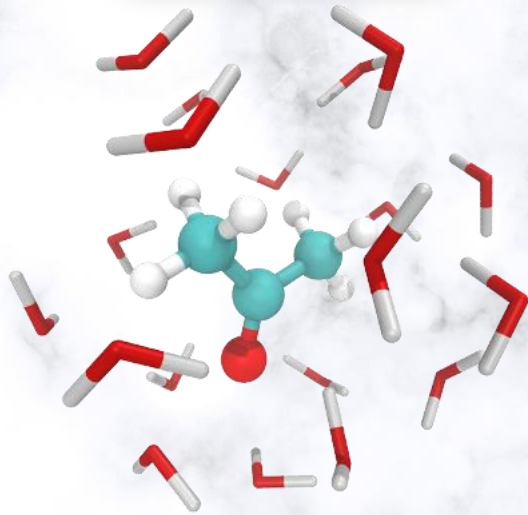


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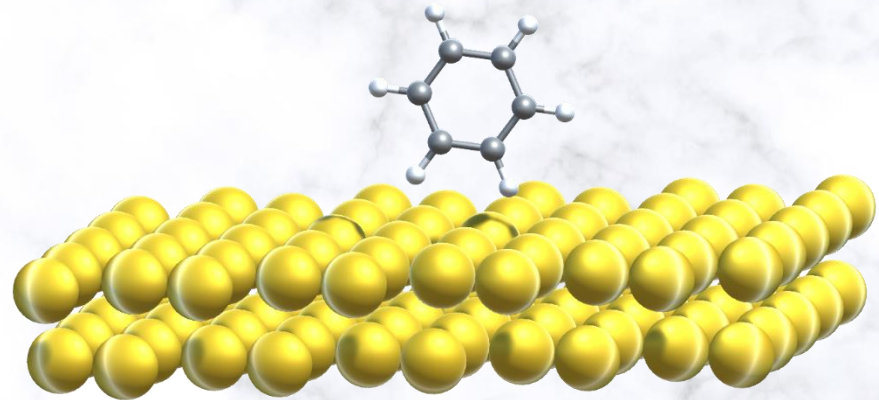


DFET is well suited for the study of ...

Solvated Molecules

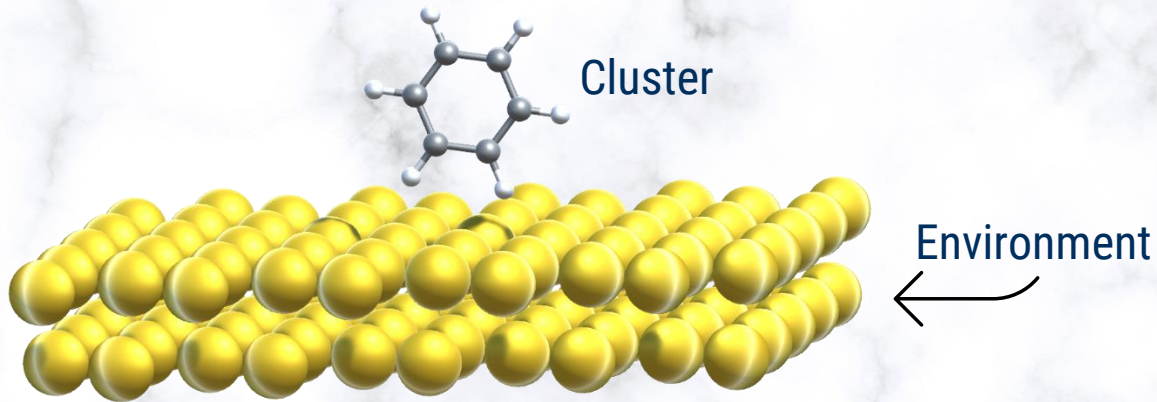


Molecule adsorbed on a surface



DFET Motivation

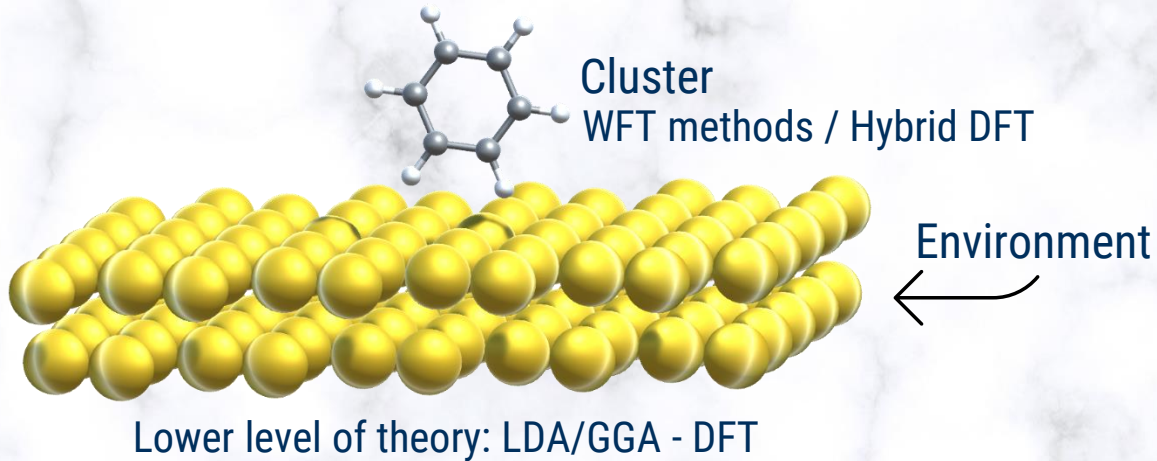
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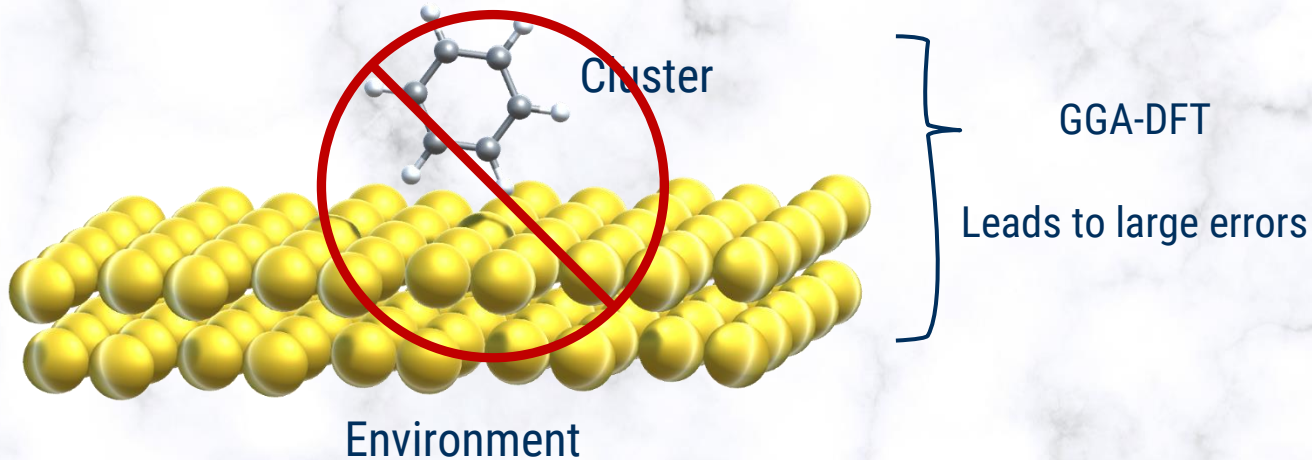
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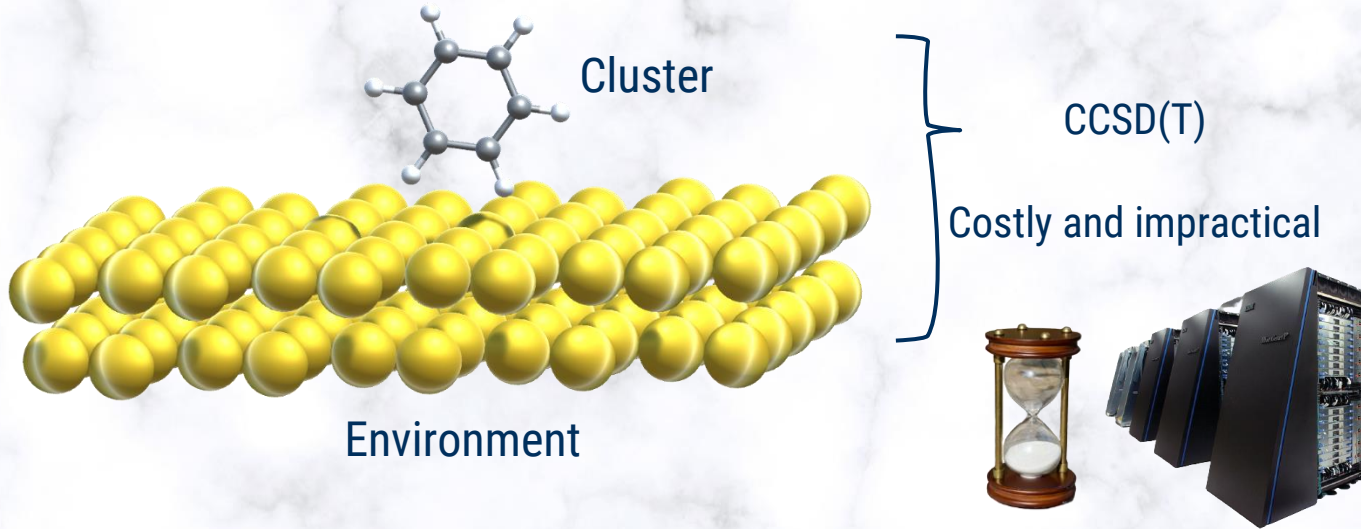
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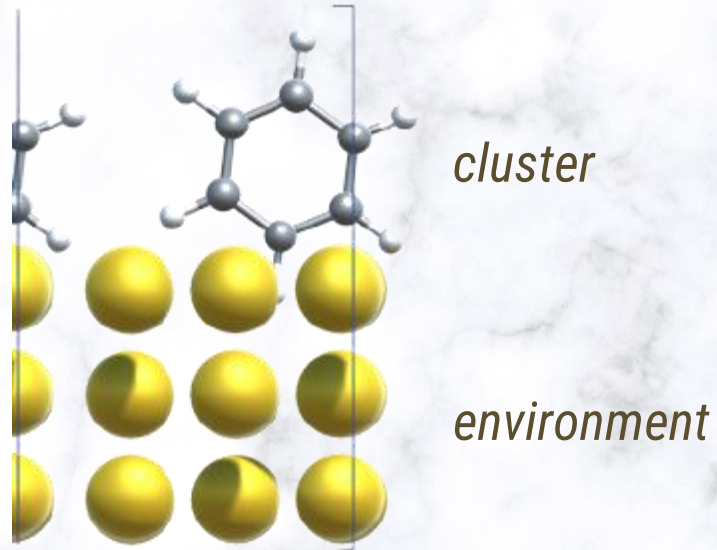
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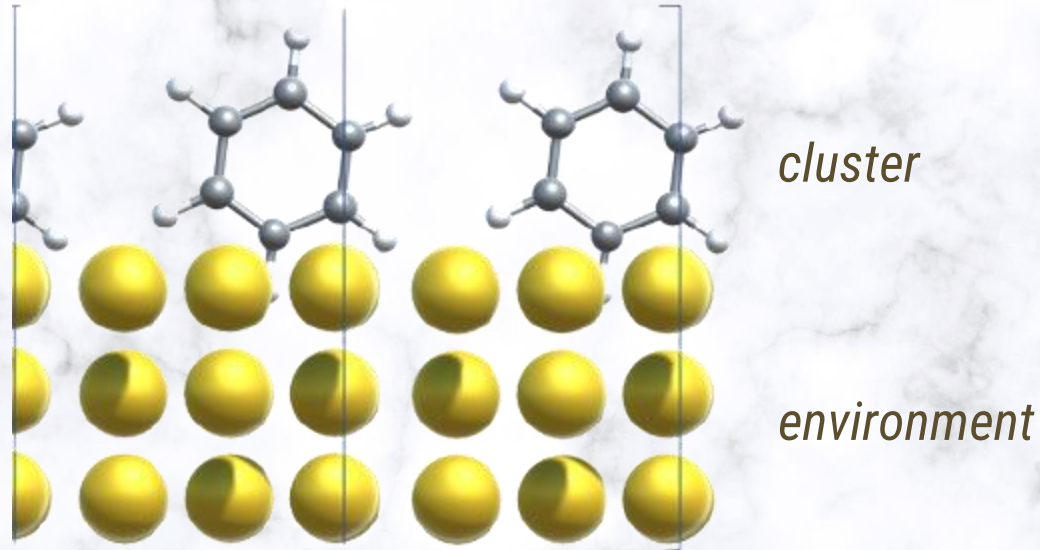
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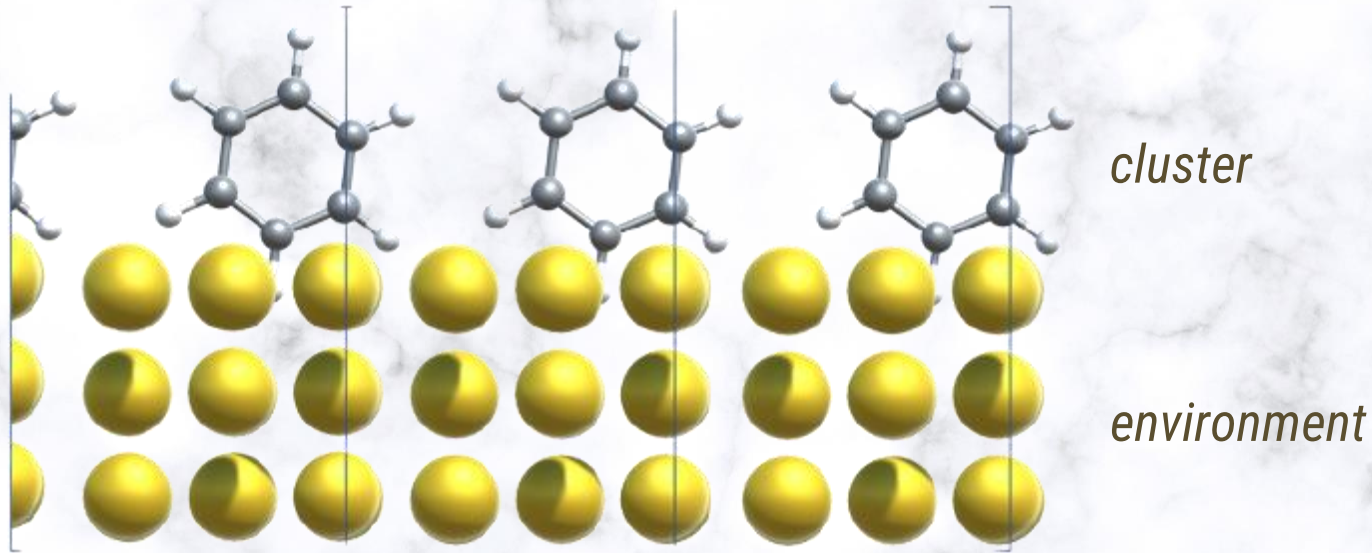
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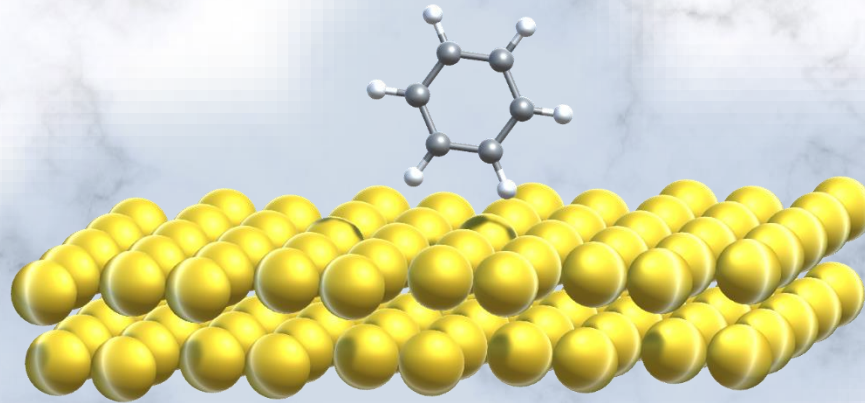
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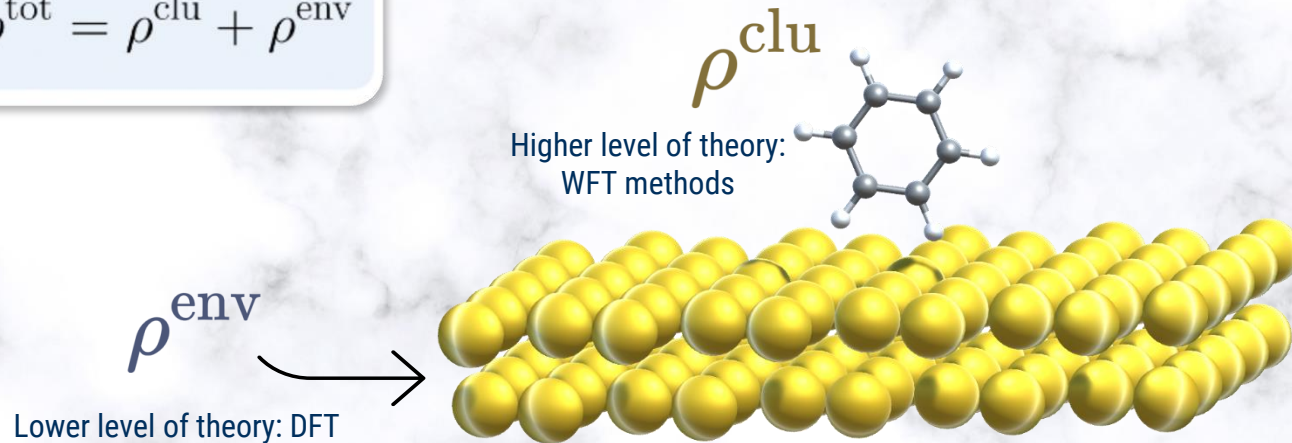
$$E_{DFT}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] = E_{gs}$$



Density Functional Embedding Theory

Density partition:

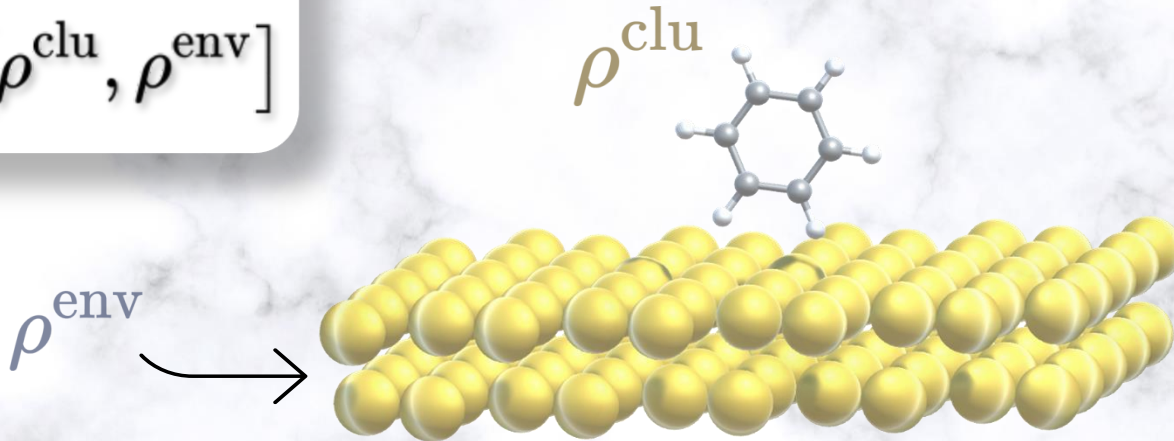
$$\rho^{\text{tot}} = \rho^{\text{clu}} + \rho^{\text{env}}$$



Density Functional Embedding Theory

Central Quantity

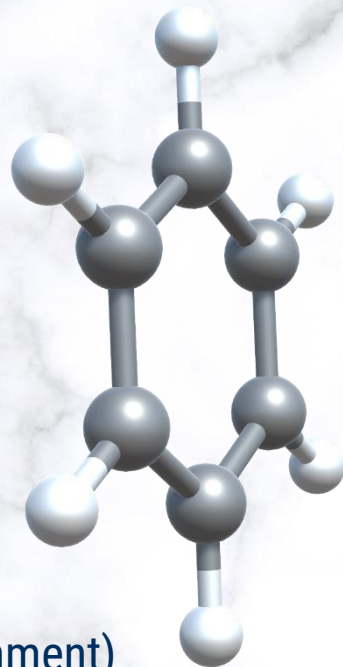
$$V_{\text{emb}} [\rho^{\text{clu}}, \rho^{\text{env}}]$$



Strategies for Embedding Potential Construction

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Model System



Benzene (Environment)

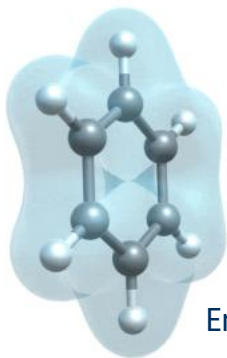


Water (Cluster)

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(approximate)

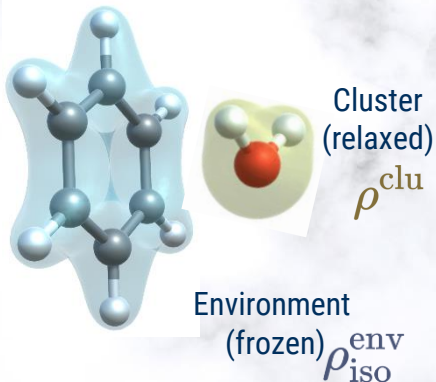


Environment
 $\rho_{\text{iso}}^{\text{env}}$

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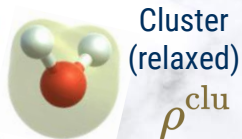
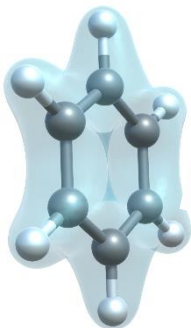
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$$= V_{\text{ne}}^{\text{env}}(\mathbf{r}) + \int \frac{\rho^{\text{env}}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r}' + V_{\text{xc}}^{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{r}) - V_{\text{xc}}^{\text{clu}}(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{\delta T_{\text{s}}^{\text{nadd}}[\rho^{\text{clu}}, \rho^{\text{env}}]}{\delta \rho^{\text{clu}}}$$



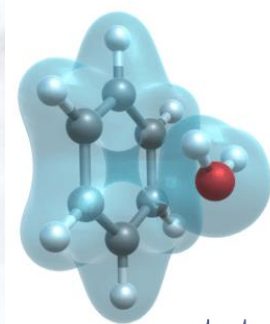
Cluster
(relaxed)
 ρ^{clu}

Environment
(frozen) $\rho_{\text{iso}}^{\text{env}}$

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(approximate)

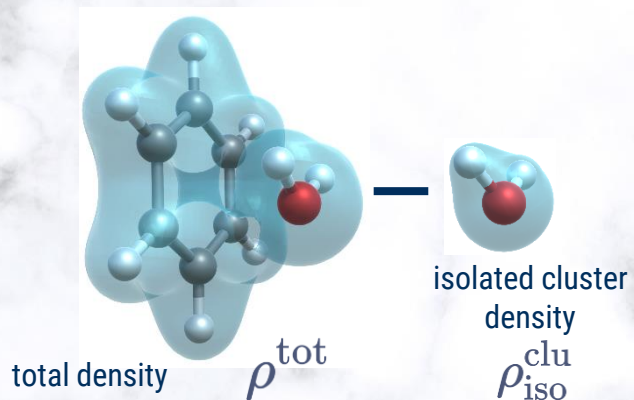


total density (relax) ρ^{tot}

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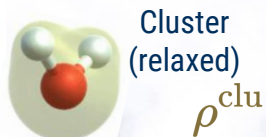
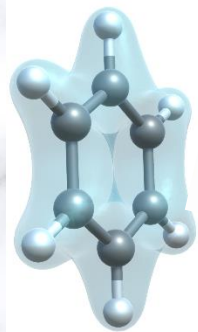
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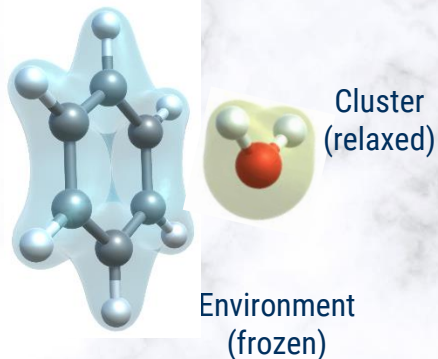
$$\rho^{\text{env}} = \rho^{\text{tot}} - \rho^{\text{clu}}$$

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Method 3
(exact)

Projection Operator based Embedding



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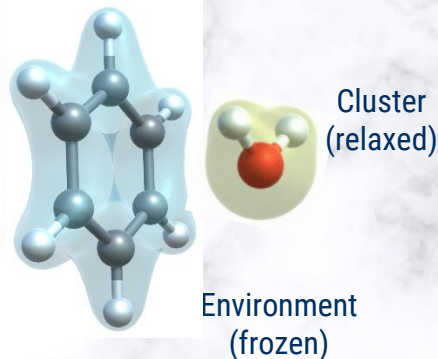
$$V_{\text{emb}} = V_{\text{nuc}}^{\text{env}} + \mathbf{J}_{\text{elec}}^{\text{env}} + \mathbf{X}_{\text{nadd}} + \mathbf{P}_B$$

Projection Operator

$$\mathbf{P}_B = \mu \mathbf{S}^{\text{AB}} \mathbf{D}^{\text{B}} \mathbf{S}^{\text{BA}} \quad \text{with } \mu = 10^6$$

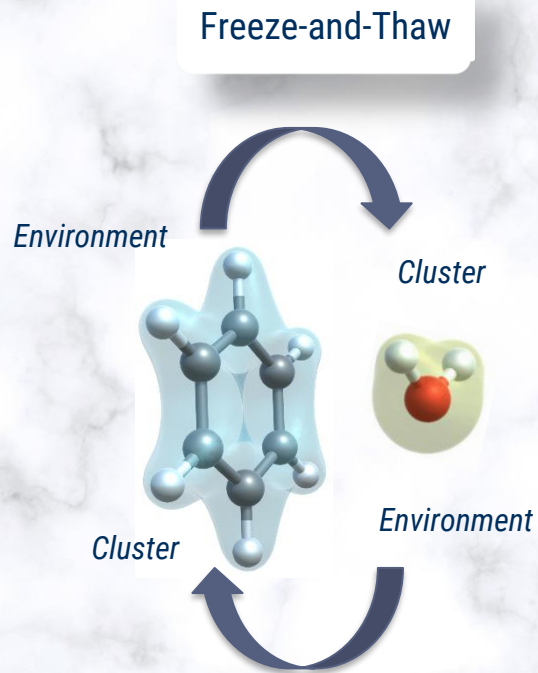
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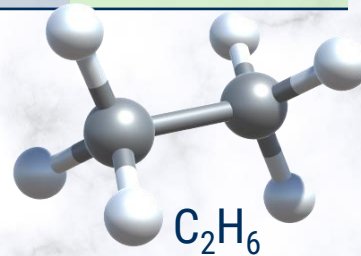
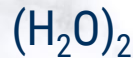
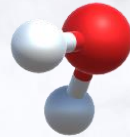
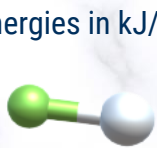
Molecular Binding Energies

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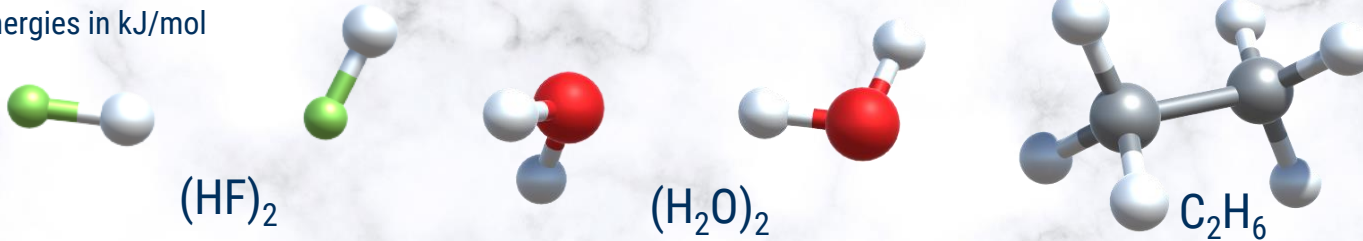
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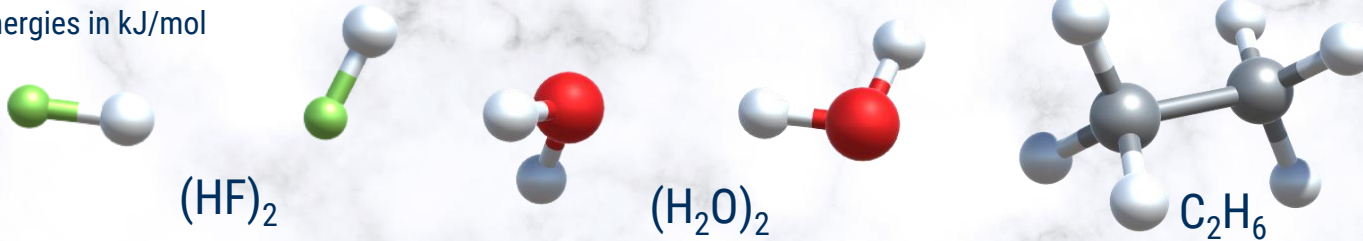
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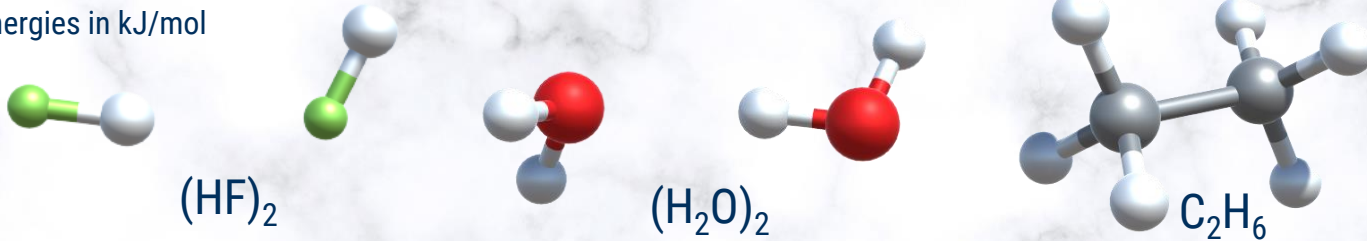
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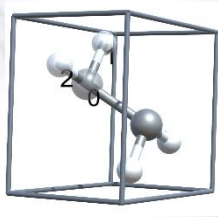
Ground state properties with DFET

Periodic-in-periodic DFET

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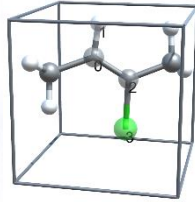
Ground state total energies (a.u.)

System/Method	DFT	$\Delta E = E_{DFET} - E_{DFT}$
Polyethylene 1D (32 x 1 x 1 k -mesh)	-78.457114	2×10^{-6}
Neoprene 1D (10 x 1 x 1 k -mesh)	-614.9723856	1.2×10^{-6}
Diamond 3D (10 x 10 x 10 k -mesh)	-304.3591154	2.1×10^{-6}



- Polyethylene 1D periodic chain
- Labelled atoms treated as one subsystem

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Details:

- Basis: def2-SVP
- PBE-in-PBE FDE
- with Projection operator and supermolecular basis
- 5 freeze-thaw cycles

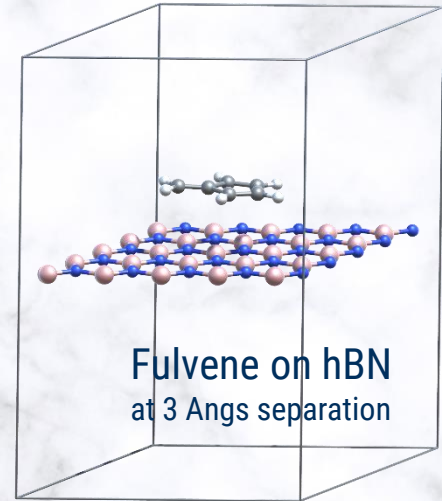
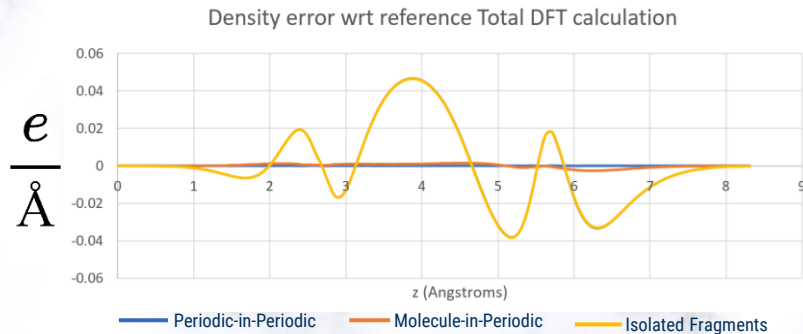
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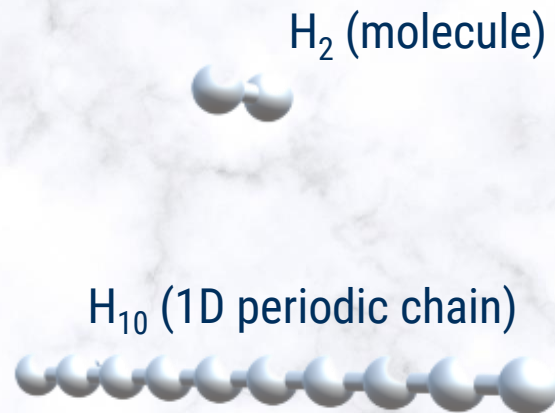
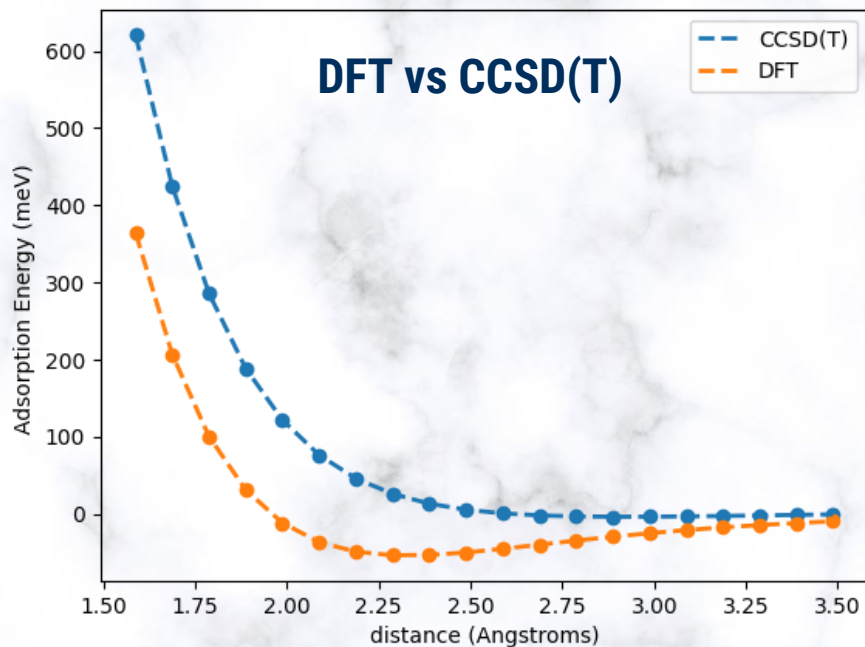
Error in density wrt reference total DFT density $e/\text{\AA}^3$ using Method 3

	Periodic-in-Periodic	Molecule-in-Periodic	Isolated Fragments
Max Abs. Error	0.0002	0.0026	0.0464
Mean Abs. Error	1.3E-05	0.000775	0.014105

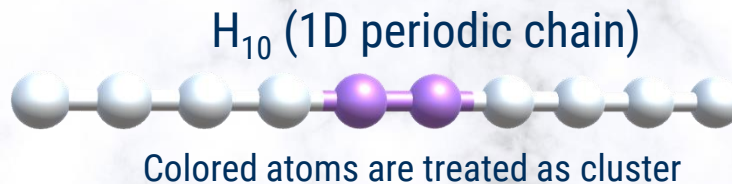
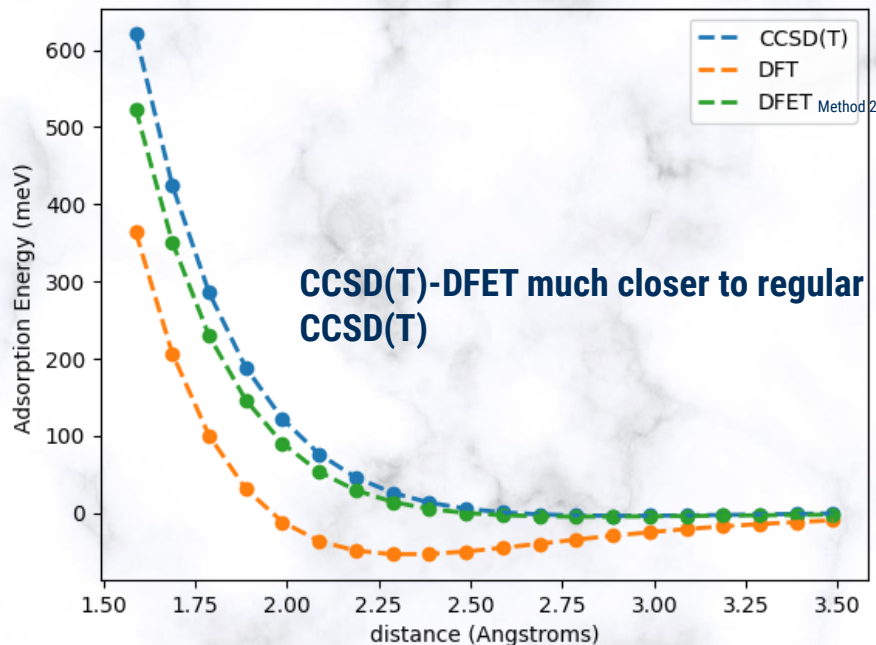


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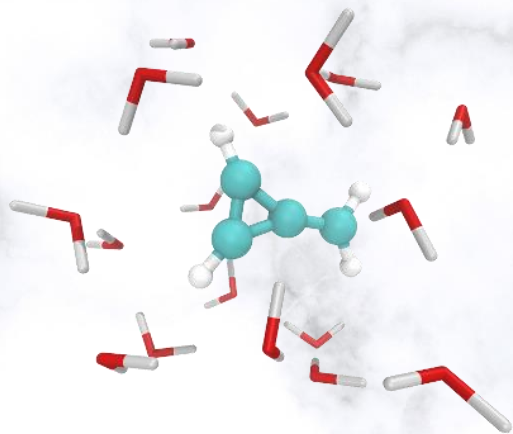


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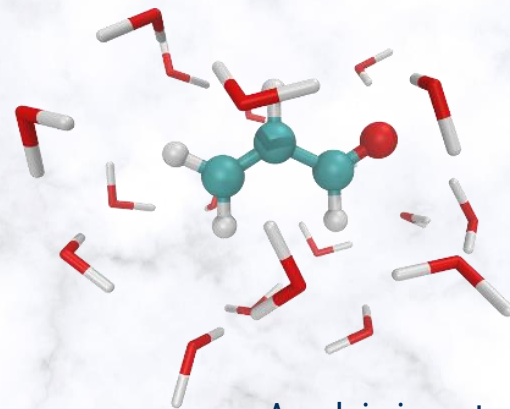


Excited state properties with DFET
Molecule-in-molecule DFET
coupled with CC2

CC2-DFET Excitation Energies



Methylenecyclopropene (MCP) in water



Acrolein in water

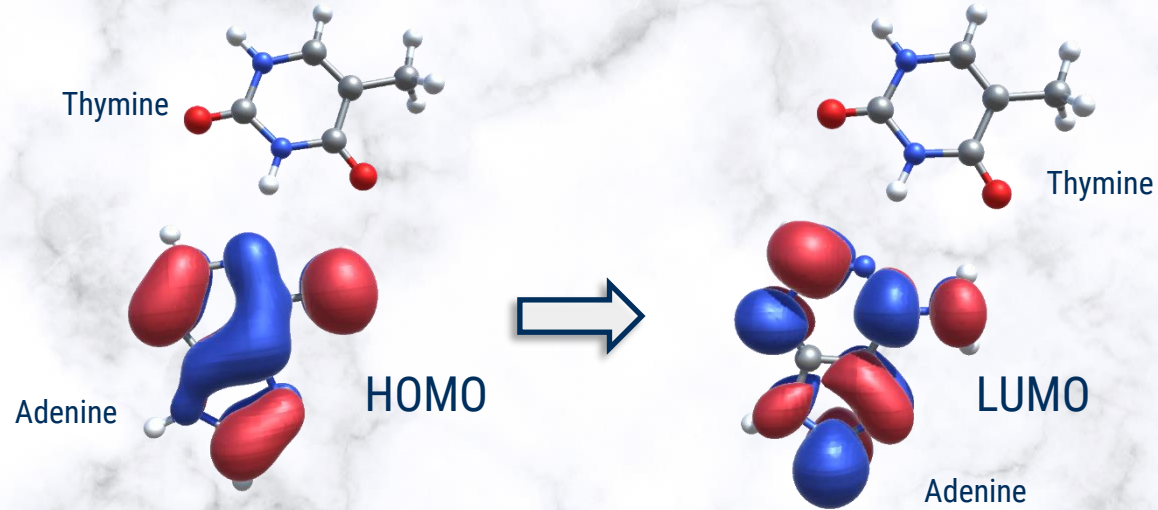
Solvated Molecules

CC2-DFET Excitation Energies

First excitation energies (eV) from supermolecular second-order approximate coupled cluster singles and doubles (CC2) and the CC2-DFET errors

System/Method	CC2 Isolated	CC2 Supermolecular	CC2-DFET Method 1 ΔE	CC2-DFET Method 1 F&T ΔE	CC2-DFET Method 2 ΔE
Acrolein + water $n \rightarrow \pi^*$	3.71	4.10	0.00	-0.10	-0.62
MCP + water $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$	4.61	5.15	0.03	-0.11	-0.03

CC2-DFET Excitation Energies



Adenine-Thymine base pair

CC2-DFET Excitation Energies

Lowest excitation energies (eV) for thymine-adenine pair and the CC2-DFET errors

Transition/Method		CC2 Isolated	CC2 Supermolecular	CC2-DFET Method 1 ΔE	CC2-DFET Method 1 F&T ΔE	CC2-DFET Method 2 ΔE
Thymine	$n \rightarrow \pi^*$	5.20	5.34	0.00	-0.03	-0.16
Adenine	$\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$	5.56	5.52	0.00	-0.03	-0.04
Adenine	$n \rightarrow \pi^*$	5.38	5.58	0.02	-0.03	-0.02
Thymine	$\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$	5.74	5.65	-0.05	-0.04	-0.08
Adenine	$\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$	5.79	5.74	-0.03	-0.02	-0.04
Adenine	$n \rightarrow \pi^*$	6.01	6.13	-0.01	-0.04	-0.11

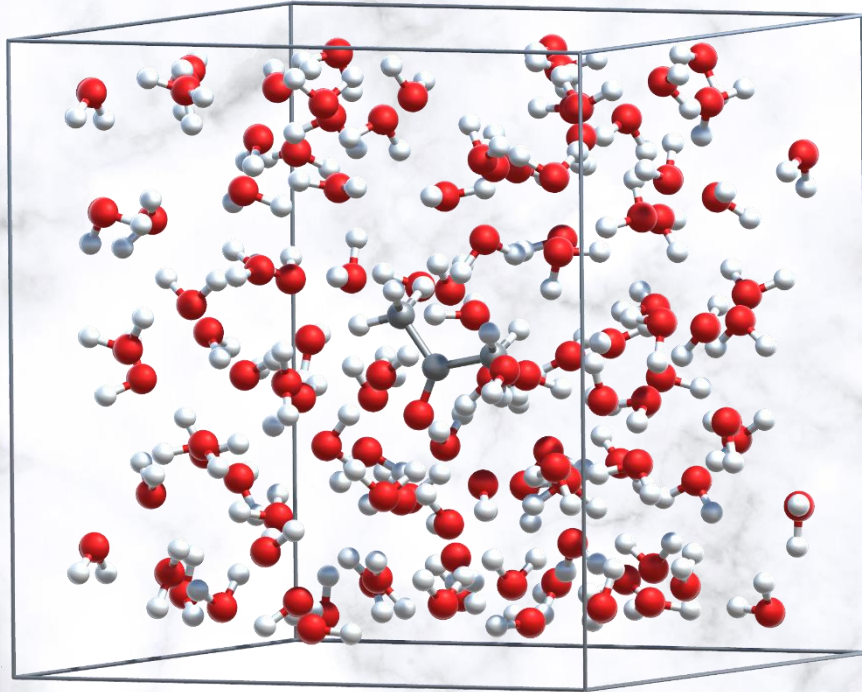
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coupled with CC2

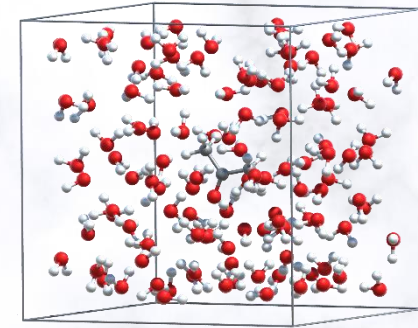
CC2-DFET Excitation Energies

Acetone-in-Water



3D Periodicity, 113 water molecules

CC2-DFET Excitation Energies



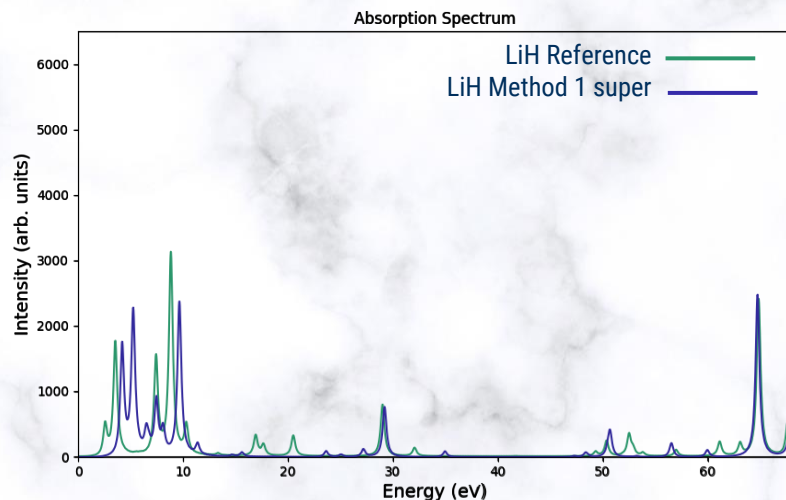
First excitation energy (eV)

CC2 Isolated	CC2 Acetone+(H ₂ O) ₂₀	CC2 Acetone+(H ₂ O) ₃₅	CC2 Acetone+(H ₂ O) ₄₈	CC2-DFET Method 3 Supermolecular basis	CC2-DFET Method 3 Supermolecular basis F&T
4.29	4.47	4.46	4.50	4.49	4.59

Excited state properties with DFET
Molecule-in-molecule DFET
coupled with RT-TDDFT

RT-TDDFT - DFET Absorption Spectra

Test case: LiH (Excitations of H- uncoupled with Li+)



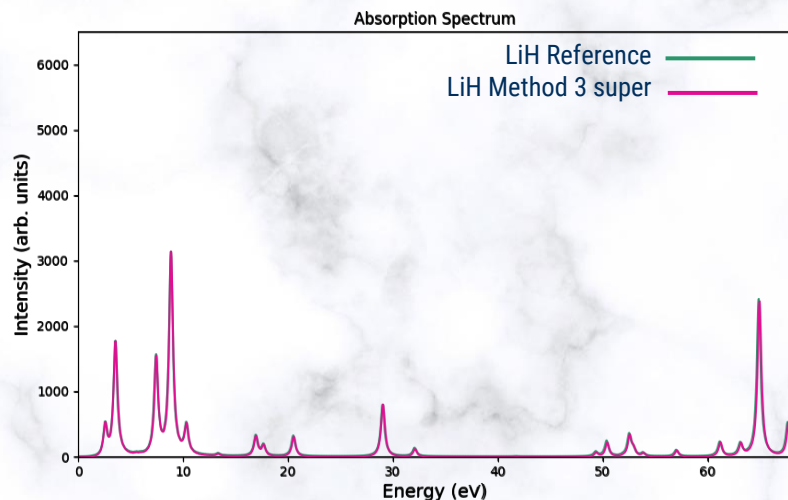
Method 1 (5 freeze-thaw cycles) and supermolecular basis

Parameters

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Time step size: $\Delta t = 0.1$ au,
Damping: $\gamma = 0.008$ au,
PC scheme for time integration,
Electric field parameters: $E_0 = 2 \cdot 10^{-5}$ au,
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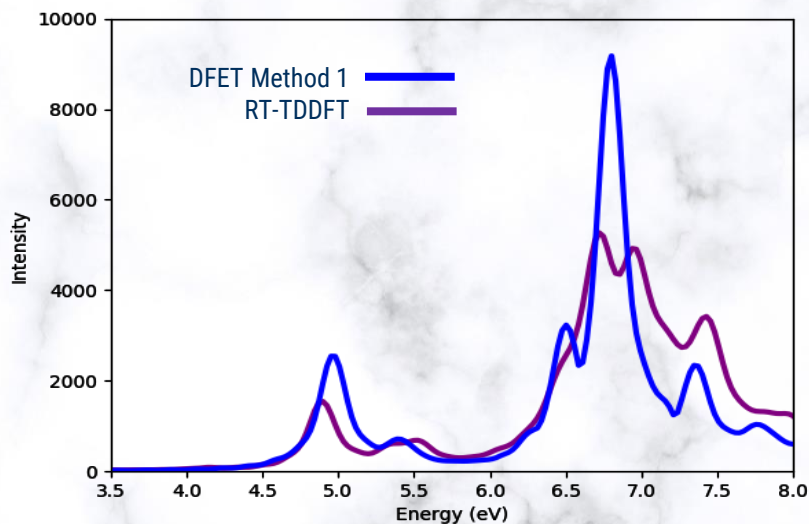


Method 3 (5 freeze-thaw cycles) and supermolecular basis

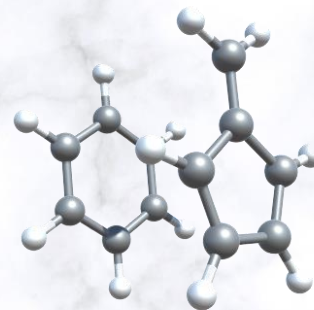
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RT-TDDFT - DFET Absorption Spectra



KEDF (5 freeze-thaw cycles) and supermolecular basis

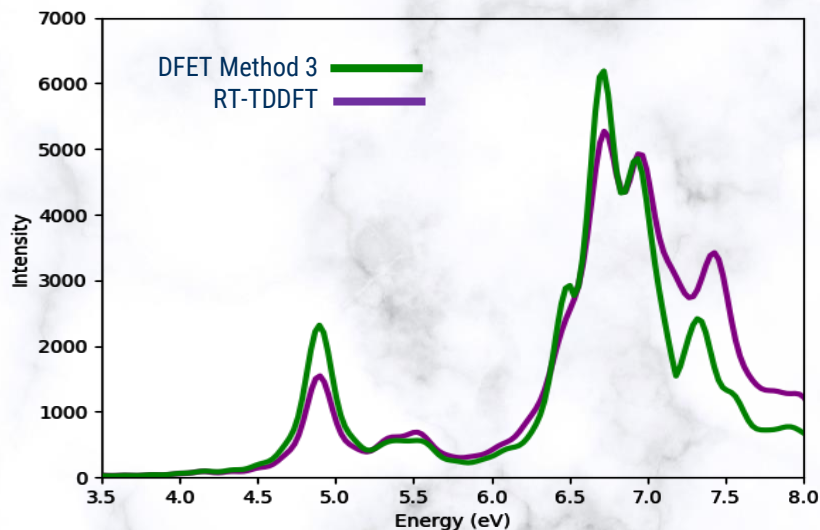


Benzene-Fulvene Dimer
at 4 Angs. separation

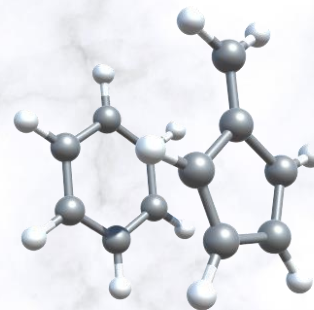
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PC scheme for time integration,
Electric field parameters: $E_0 = 2 \cdot 10^{-5}$ au,
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Projection Operator (5 freeze-thaw cycles) and supermolecular basis



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Summary

- DFET using Gaussian basis functions: **useful to study Complex systems.**
- **Molecule-in-molecule, molecule-in-periodic** and **periodic-in-periodic DFET** have been implemented using efficient techniques.
- **DFET coupled with WFT** methods offers a reasonably improved description of **ground and excited state properties.**
- **DFET coupled with RT-TDDFT** provides reasonably accurate absorption spectra.

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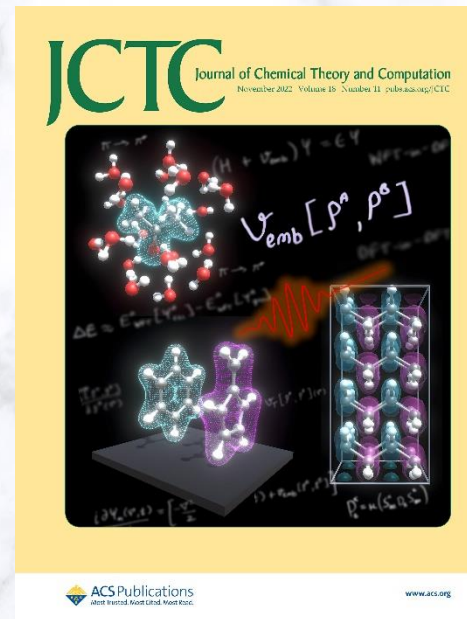
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Outlook

- Molecule-in-periodic DFET using **Projection operator** (Method 3) for strongly interacting systems.
- Couple **DFET with HHG** to investigate light-matter interactions of **functionalized surfaces**.
- Explore ways to circumvent the use of supermolecular basis.

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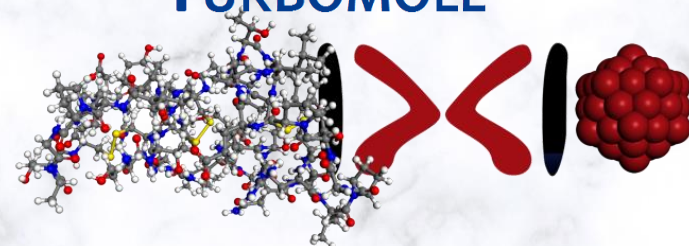
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