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# Understanding Dispersive Charge-Transport in Crystalline Organic-Semiconductors

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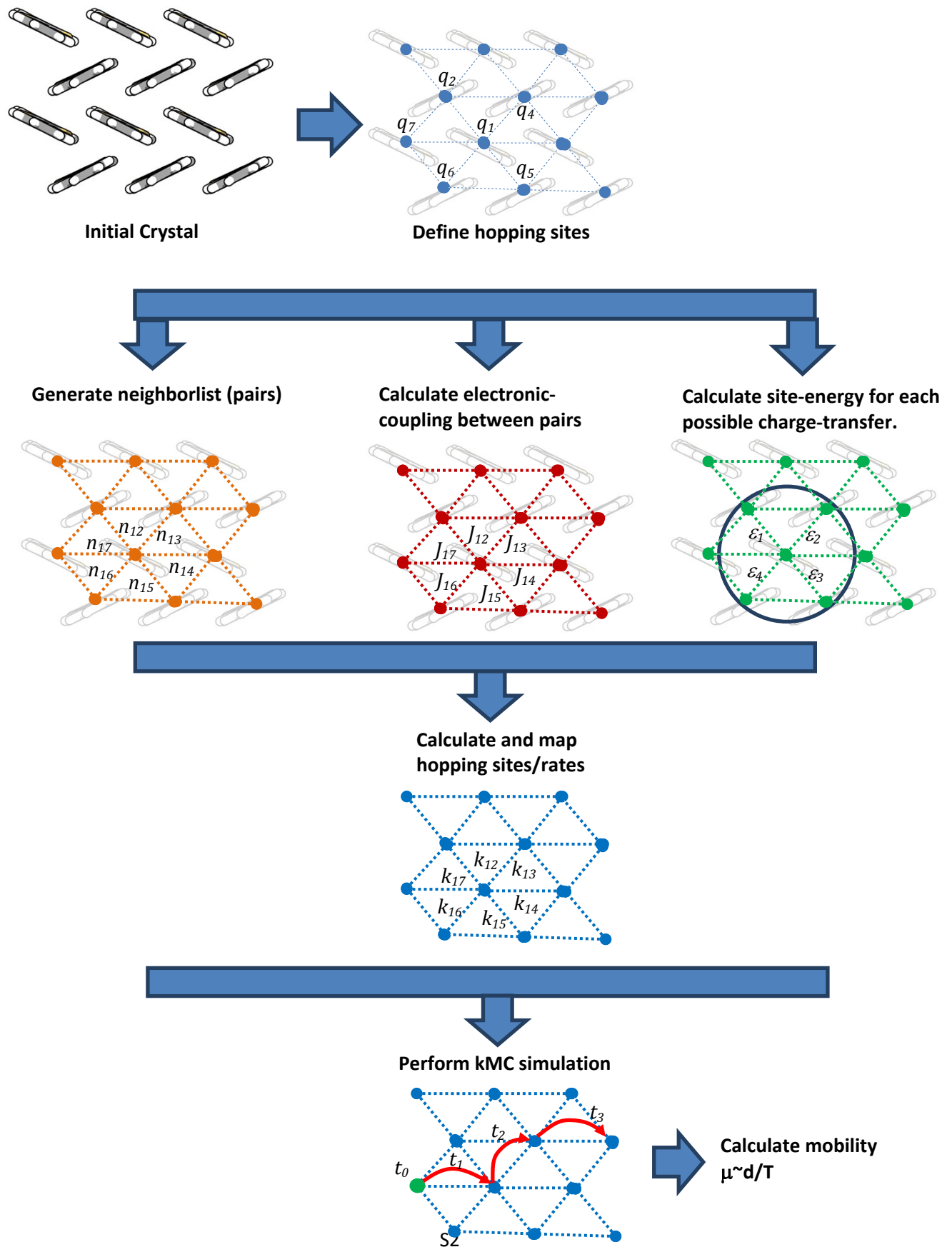
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## Details of the Charge-transport simulations



## A. Transfer Rates

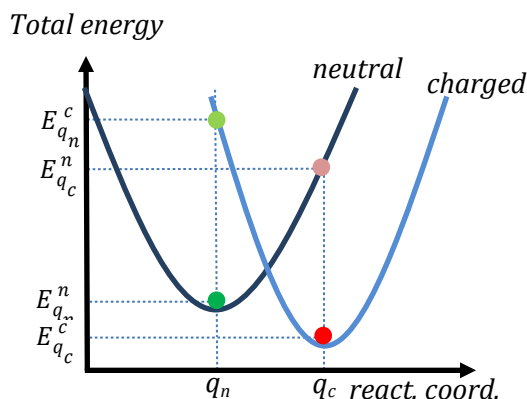
Here, we use the charge-transport simulations procedure implemented in the **VOTCA** package developed by Prof. Andrienko and co-workers.<sup>S1,S2</sup> The simulations rely on the basis of the assumption that charges are localized on a single molecule and charge-transfer reactions take place *via* an intermolecular hopping. Then the charge-hopping rate can be evaluated by the non-adiabatic Marcus rate<sup>S3,S4</sup>

$$k_{ij} = \frac{J_{ij}^2}{\hbar} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\lambda k_b T}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\Delta E_{ij} - \lambda)}{4\lambda k_b T} \right] \quad (1)$$

where  $T$  is the temperature,  $J_{ij}$  is the transfer integral between the initial and final states.  $\lambda_e$  is the electron-transfer reorganization energy and  $\Delta E_{ij} = \varepsilon_i - \varepsilon_j$  is called the site-energy difference of the transfer reaction.  $\varepsilon_i$  is the energy difference of the entire system when molecule  $i$  is charged or neutral.

In the next sections we will explain the parameters entering the Marcus rate, Eq. 1.

### A. 1. Reorganization Energy:



**Figure S1.** Potential energy surfaces of charged and neutral states along the reaction coordinate.  $q_n$  and  $q_c$  corresponds to the relaxed (optimized) geometry of the neutral and charged states.

The reorganization energy,  $\lambda$ , has two contributions; intramolecular reorganization energy,  $\lambda_{in}$ , due to non-adiabatic changes in the molecular geometry and the intermolecular reorganization energy,  $\lambda_{ext}$ , due to reorganization of the surrounding molecules during the charge-transfer reaction:

$$\lambda = \lambda_{in} + \lambda_{ext} \quad (2)$$

Since for organic solids intermolecular reorganization is much slower than the intramolecular reorganization,  $\lambda_{ext}$  is often neglected. Thus,  $\lambda \cong \lambda_{in}$ .

Intramolecular reorganization,  $\lambda$ , is calculated from adiabatic potential energy surfaces (Figure S1) of neutral and cationic states of compounds, using the following expression:

$$\lambda = (E_{q_c}^n - E_{q_n}^n) + (E_{q_n}^c - E_{q_c}^c) \quad (3)$$

where  $E_{q_n}^n$  ( $E_{q_n}^c$ ) is the energy of the neutral  $n$  (charged  $c$ ) state of the molecule in its optimized *neutral* geometry and  $E_{q_c}^n$  ( $E_{q_c}^c$ ) is the energy of the neutral  $n$  (charged  $c$ ) state of the molecule in its optimized *charged* geometry. We used B3LYP/6-311G(d,p)<sup>S5-S8</sup>, implemented in Gaussian09, to calculate  $\lambda$  for an isolated molecule.<sup>S9</sup>

**Table S1.** DFT calculated reorganization energies of five organic materials considered in this study.

	Reorganization Energy, $\lambda$ (meV)
DNTT	134
DCV4T	228
NTMTI	236
Pentacene	95
Rubrene	160

## A. 2. Site-energies:

A charge-transfer reaction from molecule  $i$  and  $j$  is driven by site-energy. Here, we calculate site-energies of the electron transfer from polarizable force-fields with the help of *ab initio* methods. Site-energies include contributions from electrostatic Coulombic interactions (with polarization effects) between atoms and the contributions from the external electric field. Thus, site energy difference is defined as follows:

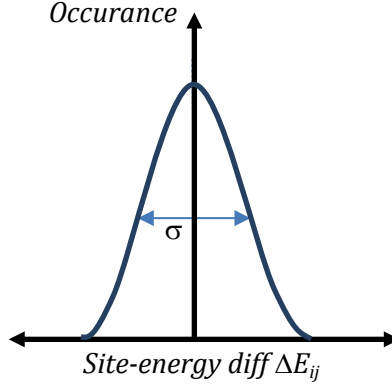
$$\Delta E_{ij} = \Delta E_{elec.} + \Delta E_{ext.} \quad (4)$$

External electric field contributions are calculated using the expression  $\Delta E_{ext.} = q\vec{F} \cdot \vec{d}_{ij}$ . Here  $\vec{F}$  is the field-vector and  $\vec{d}_{ij}$  is the position-vector between molecules  $i$  and  $j$ . Polarized Coulombic contributions to site energies are calculated self-consistently using the Thole Model.<sup>S2</sup> Partial charges of neutral and charged states are generated via Merz–Singh–Kollman scheme<sup>S10,S11</sup> using the HF/6-31G(d) method based on B3LYP/6-31G(d,p)<sup>S5-S8</sup> optimized geometries, as implemented in Gaussian09<sup>S9</sup>. Isotropic atomic polarizabilities of the neutral and charged states are reparameterized for each species as to reproduce the molecular polarizabilities obtained from the B3LYP/6-311G(d,p) method.<sup>S5-S9</sup>

## A. 3. Energetic disorder

Energetic disorder  $\sigma$  is calculated by fitting the histogram of  $\Delta E_{ij}$  site-energy differences to a Gaussian-distribution function

$$f(\epsilon, \sigma) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \exp\left[-\frac{\epsilon^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] \quad (5)$$



**Figure S2.** A representative graph showing the site-energy difference distribution and its relation to energetic disorder,  $\sigma$ .

### B. kMC simulations and electron-mobility:

Charge dynamics is simulated using the kinetic Monte Carlo (kMC) technique using the VOTCA package. In this stochastic procedure, a Markov chain is constructed in site space. A charge-carrier is initially chosen randomly within the space with periodic-boundaries and propagated by hopping between sites, where hopping probabilities (thus the hopping times) from site  $i$  to a generic site  $j$  are defined by the Marcus rate,  $k_{ij}$ . The total “escape” rate from site  $i$  to all possible  $j$  sites is calculated from

$$k_i = \sum_j k_{ij} \quad (6)$$

from the neighborlist. Thus the probability of hopping from site  $i$  to a particular site  $j$  is  $p_{ij} = k_{ij}/k_i$ . During a kMC run, hopping will occur from  $i$  to a certain  $j$  with a higher probability, which is found according to

$$(\sum_{j'}^j k_{ij'})/k_i \leq u_1 \quad (7)$$

where,  $u_1$  is a uniform random number between 0 and 1. Then the event is carried out and charge is moved from site  $i$  to  $j$  and the time is updated,  $t = t + \Delta t$ , where

$$\Delta t = \ln(1/u_2)/k_i, \quad (8)$$

where,  $u_2$  is another uniform random number. The simulations are performed until the results are converged. Charge-carrier mobility is then calculated by

$$\mu = \frac{v}{|F|},$$

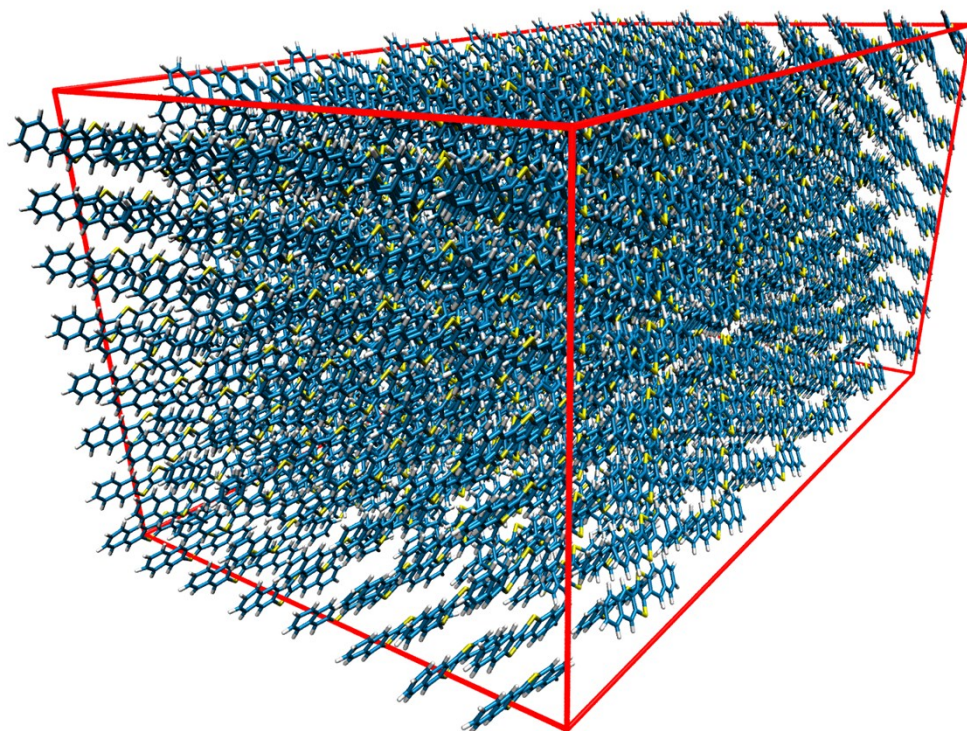
where  $v$  is the charge-carrier velocity and  $F$  ( $=10^7$  V/m) is the applied electric field. The reported mobilities are the averages over 10-100 stochastic realizations.

**Table S2. References for the cif of the crystal structures.**

	Reference	Guidance to download
<b>DNTT</b>	T. Yamamoto and K. Takimiya <i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> , 2007, <b>129</b> , 2224– 2225.	downloadable at the SI of the reference.
<b>DCV4T</b>	R. Fitzner, E. Reinold, A. Mishra, E. Mena-Osteritz, H. Ziehlke, C. Körner, K. Leo, M. Riede, M.; Weil, O. Tsaryova, A. Weiss, C. Uhrich, M.; Pfeiffer and P. Bauerle <i>Adv. Funct. Mater.</i> , 2011, <b>21</b> , 897– 910.	Deposited to <a href="#">Cambridge Crystallographic Database</a> (CCDC) with the code number 786021.
<b>NTMTI</b>	E. M. García-Frutos, E. Gutierrez-Puebla, M. Monge, E. Ramírez, P. d. Andrés, A. d. Andrés, R. Ramírez and B. Gómez-Lor, <i>Org. Electron.</i> , 2009, <b>10</b> , 643– 652	Deposited to <a href="#">Cambridge Crystallographic Database</a> (CCDC) with the code number 670066.
<b>Pentacene</b>	H. Yoshida, K. Inaba and N. Sato, <i>Appl. Phys. Lett.</i> 2007, <b>90</b> , 181930.	downloadable at <a href="http://webcsd.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/">http://webcsd.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/</a> with the CSD identifier “PENCENXX”
<b>Rubrene</b>	O. D. Jurchescu, A. Meetsma and T. T. M. Palstra, <i>Acta Crystallogr. Sect. B: Struct. Sci.</i> 2006, <b>62</b> , 330.	downloadable at <a href="http://webcsd.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/">http://webcsd.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/</a> with the CSD identifier “QQQCIG11”

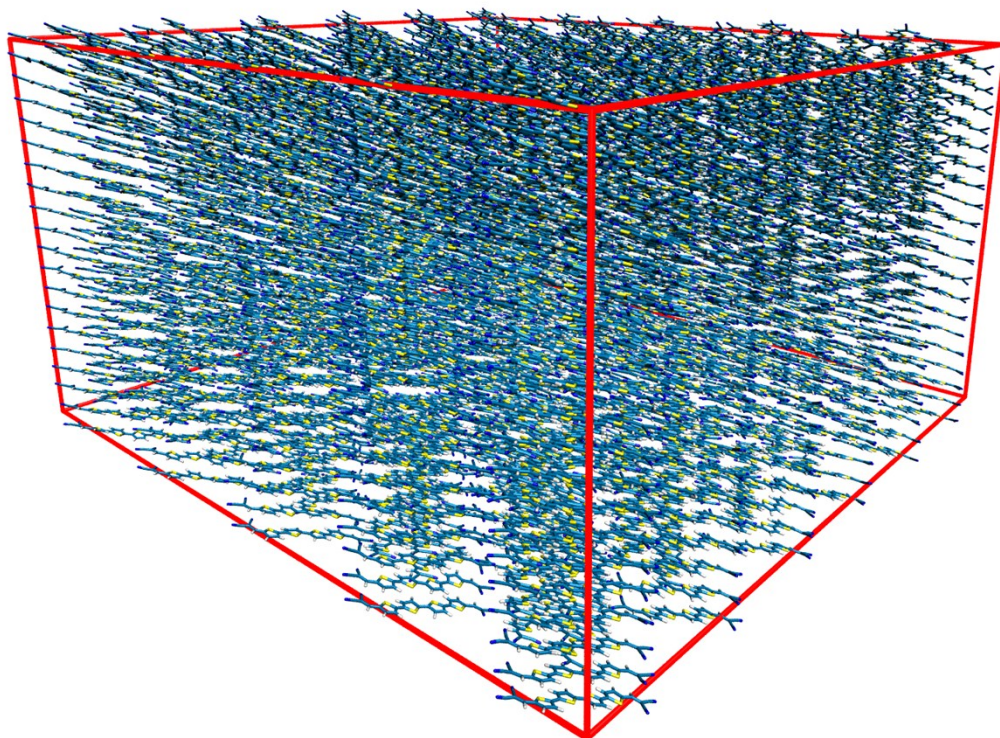
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## DNTT



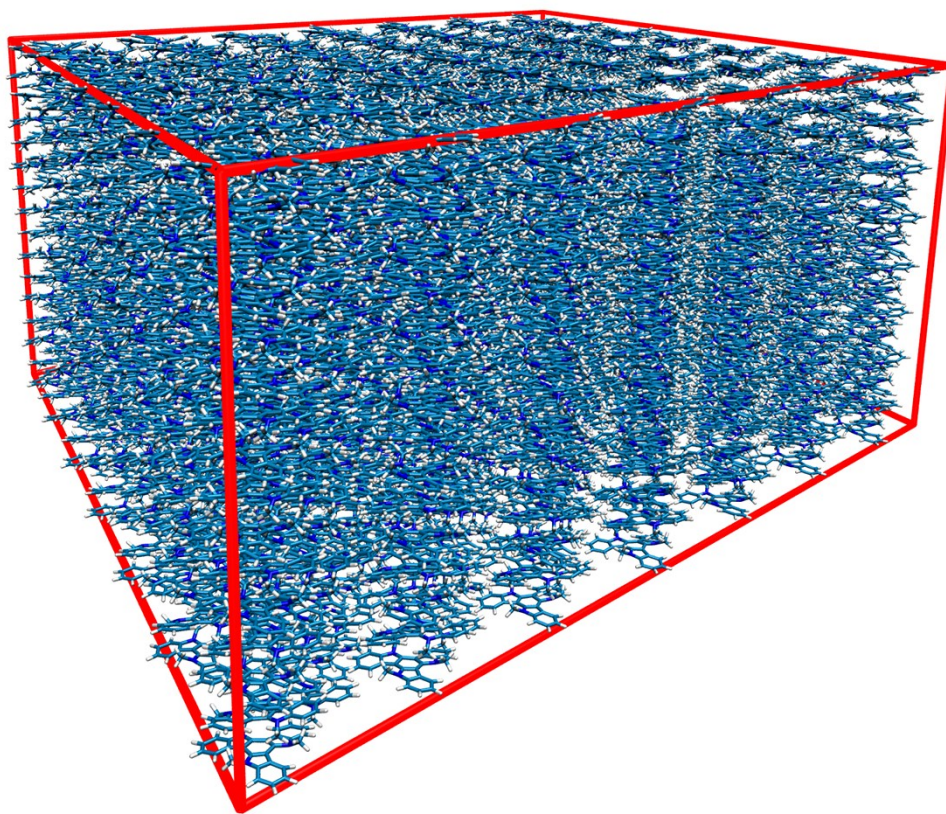


DCV4T



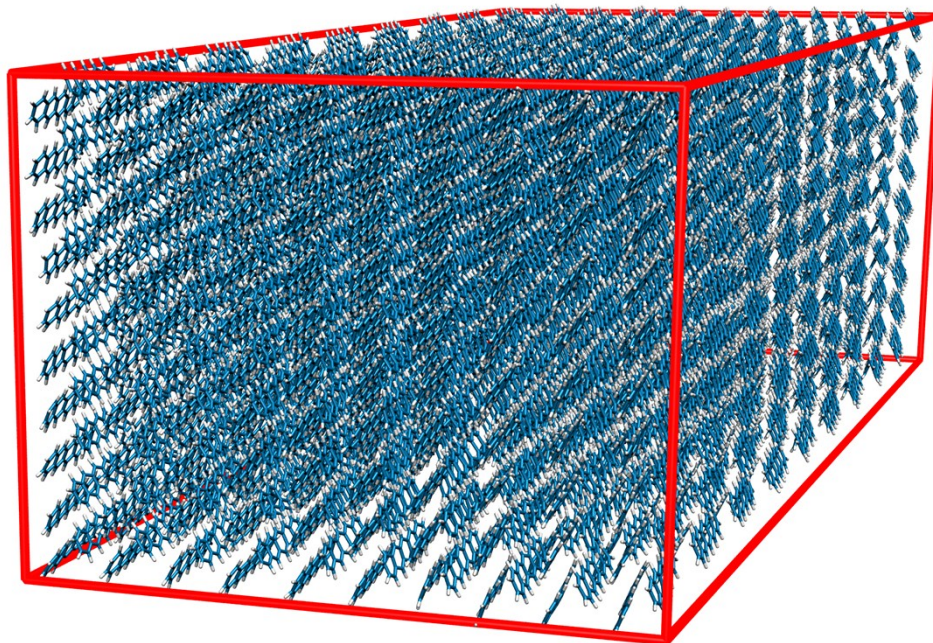


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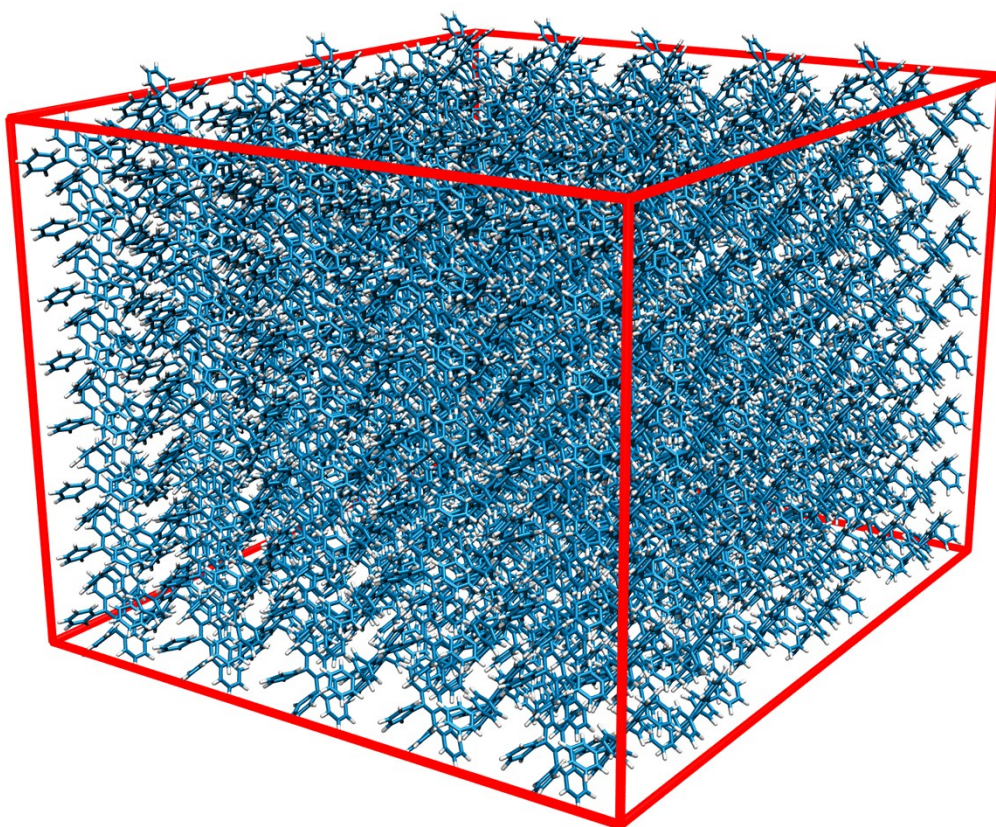


**Pentacene**





## Rubrene



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