

## Supplementary data

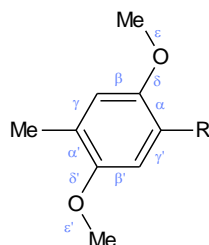
### Electron transfer within a reaction path model calibrated by constrained DFT calculations : Application to mixed-valence organic compounds.

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#### 1. Geometries

The root mean square of the distances (RMSD) is calculated with all bonds denoted on Fig. 1 (for which experimental data are available) for both donor and acceptor cycles. Geometries of each DMP<sub>n</sub> are provided in separate \*.xyz files.



**Fig. 1** Numbering of the bond lengths

#### 2. Influence of exchange-correlation functional

On the following table, we summarize the RMSD of the equilibrium geometries obtained by different exchange-correlation functionals as indicated.

**Table 1.** Choice of exchange-correlation functional - RMSD (Root mean square of bond distances) in DMP cycles between experimental and cDFT or DFT results for DMP<sub>n</sub> (n = 0,1,2)

RMSD	cDFT		DFT		DFT	DFT
	OPTX-PBE	PBE98-LYP	OPTX-PBE	B3LYP	M06HF	ωB97XD
DMP <sub>0</sub>	0.022	0.027	0.013	0.010	0.027	0.015
DMP <sub>1</sub>	0.011	0.022	0.012	0.011	0.016	0.014
DMP <sub>2</sub>	0.009	0.019	0.019	0.018	0.013	0.013

#### 3. Effect of including diffuse functions

Several calculations have been performed to assess the influence of including diffuse functions. This can be seen on Tab. 2. We found a negligible effect.

**Table 2.** Influence of diffuse functions - RMSD (Root mean square of bond distances) in DMP cycles between 6-311g\*\* basis set and 6-311++g\*\* DFT results for DMP\_n (n = 0,1,2) (XC functional :  $\omega$ B97XD)

RMSD	6-311g** vs 6-311++g**
DMP <sub>0</sub>	0.0005
DMP <sub>1</sub>	0.003
DMP <sub>2</sub>	0.001

#### 4. Effect of dispersion correction

In the case of cDFT calculations, we present here the effect of dispersion correction for a selected exchange-correlation functional (PBE98-LYP). As above, we found a negligible contribution.

**Table 3.** Influence of dispersion corrections - RMSD (Root mean square of bond distances) in DMP cycles between cDFT calculations with or without dispersion corrections for DMP\_n (n = 0,1,2) (XC functional : PBE98-LYP)

RMSD	Dispersion correction
DMP <sub>0</sub>	0.0007
DMP <sub>1</sub>	0.0007
DMP <sub>2</sub>	0.0009