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## Unusual bonding modes of perfluorobenzene in its polymeric (dimeric, trimeric and tetrameric) forms: Negative fluorines interacting cooperatively with negative fluorines

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## **Supplementary Information**

Fig. S1: The crystal of perfluoromethane CF<sub>4</sub> (ref code TFMETH03), <sup>1</sup> obtained from Cambridge Structure Database (CSD).<sup>2</sup> Selected F<sup>···</sup>F intermolecular bond distances are given in units of Å.



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Fig. S2: The crystal of perfluorobenzene  $C_6F_6$  (refcode HFBENZ11),<sup>3</sup> obtained from Cambridge Structure Database (CSD).<sup>2</sup> Both ball and stick (a), and crapped sticks (b) models are illustrated. Selected F<sup>...</sup>F intermolecular bond distances are given in units of Å.



Fig. S1: RDG s vs.  $sign(\lambda_2) \times \rho$  (in a.u.) plots for the three trimers of the  $C_6F_6$  molecule, computed with M06-2X/6-311++G(d,p). The spikes in the  $sign(\lambda_2) \times \rho < 0$  and  $sign(\lambda_2) \times \rho > 0$  regions represent to the attractive and repulsive interactions, respectively. The s = 0.6 a.u. RDG isosurfaces in ball and stick models representing to the former and latter interactions are painted in green and red, respectively. For clarity, two different views are presented for (a). See Fig. 8 for geometric details, and Fig. 10a-c for QTAIM based molecular graphs.



Conformation	(3,-1) bcp	$\rho_{\text{b}}$	λ1	$\lambda_2$	$\lambda_3$	$ abla^2 ho_b$	$V_{b}$	G <sub>b</sub>	$H_{b}$	DI
a <sup>c</sup>	F17 C11	0.0064	-0.0034	-0.0031	0.0306	0.0241	-0.0042	0.0051	0.0009	0.0210
	C4 C7	0.0089	-0.0046	-0.0031	0.0335	0.0257	-0.0045	0.0055	0.0010	0.0221
b	F22 F15	0.0071	-0.0036	-0.0026	0.0424	0.0362	-0.0068	0.0079	0.0011	0.0231
	C8 C2	0.0100	-0.0071	-0.0025	0.0399	0.0304	-0.0053	0.0065	0.0011	0.0238
	F17 F20	0.0019	-0.0015	-0.0007	0.0144	0.0121	-0.0015	0.0023	0.0008	0.0086
C <sup><i>c</i></sup>	F16 F22	0.0055	-0.0048	-0.0040	0.0367	0.0279	-0.0051	0.0061	0.0009	0.0217
	C3 C8	0.0108	-0.0074	-0.0038	0.0449	0.0337	-0.0062	0.0073	0.0011	0.0258
d	F8 F24	0.0069	-0.0068	-0.0034	0.0454	0.0351	-0.0067	0.0077	0.0010	0.0249
	F9 C21	0.0086	-0.0072	-0.0021	0.0473	0.0380	-0.0064	0.0080	0.0016	0.0191
	F9 F23	0.0084	-0.0074	-0.0036	0.0513	0.0402	-0.0082	0.0091	0.0009	0.0252
	F9 F24	0.0084	-0.0074	-0.0036	0.0513	0.0403	-0.0082	0.0091	0.0009	0.0252
	C3 F24	0.0078	-0.0058	-0.0020	0.0425	0.0346	-0.0058	0.0072	0.0014	0.0165
	C3 F23	0.0078	-0.0058	-0.0020	0.0425	0.0346	-0.0058	0.0072	0.0014	0.0165
	F10 F23	0.0069	-0.0068	-0.0034	0.0453	0.0351	-0.0067	0.0077	0.0010	0.0249
ec	F7 F17	0.0014	-0.0013	-0.0012	0.0119	0.0094	-0.0010	0.0017	0.0007	0.0070
	F8 F16	0.0100	-0.0096	-0.0024	0.0612	0.0492	-0.0100	0.0112	0.0011	0.0307
	F8 C13	0.0100	-0.0081	-0.0036	0.0556	0.0440	-0.0084	0.0097	0.0013	0.0298
f <sup>c</sup>	F18 C8	0.0060	-0.0040	-0.0002	0.0294	0.0251	-0.0042	0.0052	0.0010	0.0175
	F18 C9	0.0060	-0.0040	-0.0001	0.0294	0.0252	-0.0042	0.0052	0.0011	0.0171
g <sup>c</sup>	C12 F18	0.0059	-0.0039	-0.0003	0.0289	0.0246	-0.0041	0.0051	0.0010	0.0174
	C9 F18	0.0057	-0.0038	-0.0002	0.0279	0.0240	-0.0040	0.0050	0.0010	0.0167
hc	F17 F19	0.0036	-0.0035	-0.0034	0.0276	0.0207	-0.0032	0.0042	0.0010	0.0141
	F17 F20	0.0039	-0.0037	-0.0036	0.0302	0.0229	-0.0037	0.0047	0.0010	0.0173
ic	F19 F17	0.0050	-0.0050	-0.0048	0.0370	0.0050	-0.0048	0.0058	0.0010	0.0211
j	F16 F8	0.0053	-0.0048	-0.0048	0.0399	0.0303	-0.0053	0.0064	0.0011	0.0250
k	F8 F16	0.0052	-0.0047	-0.0047	0.0393	0.0299	-0.0052	0.0064	0.0011	0.0247
<u> </u>	F8 F16	0.0045	-0.0041	-0.0039	0.0344	0.0264	-0.0045	0.0055	0.0010	0.0217

Table S1: Selected QTAIM based topological properties of the charge density of all the twelve  $(C_6F_6)_2$  binary complexes examined, obtained with M06-2X/6-311++G(d,p).<sup>*a*</sup>,<sup>*b*</sup>

<sup>a</sup> See Fig. 1 for details of atom labeling and conformation type. See Fig. 4 for QTAIM based molecular graph.

<sup>*b*</sup> The properties include the charge density  $\rho_b$ , the three principal eigenvalues of the Hessian of the charge density matrix  $\lambda_{i \ (i=1-3)}$ , the Laplacian of the charge density  $\nabla^2 \rho_b$ , the gradient kinetic energy density  $G_b$ , the potential energy density  $V_b$ , the total energy density  $H_b$ , and .1 a.u. of  $\rho_b = 6.7483 \ e^{A^{-3}}$ ; 1 a.u. of  $\lambda_i$ 's or  $\nabla^2 \rho_b = 24.099 \ e^{A^{-5}}$ ; 1 a.u. of  $V_b$ , or  $G_b$ , or  $H_b = 627.504 \ kcal \ mol^{-1}$ .

<sup>c</sup> Values of selected bonds are shown for symmetry reasons.

Table S2: Selected QTAIM based topological properties of the charge density for the three trimers of the  $(C_6F_6)_3$  complex, obtained with M06-2X/6-311++G(d,p).<sup>*a*</sup>,<sup>*b*</sup>

Conformation	(3,-1) bcp	$ ho_b$	$\lambda_1$	λ2	$\lambda_3$	$ abla^2 ho_b$	Vb	G <sub>b</sub>	H <sub>b</sub>	DI
а	F24 F11	0.0091	-0.0089	-0.0082	0.0581	0.0410	-0.0089	0.0096	0.0007	0.0315
	F23 F11	0.0079	-0.0078	-0.0074	0.0537	0.0385	-0.0077	0.0087	0.0010	0.0303
	F34 F11	0.0082	-0.0086	-0.0080	0.0557	0.0391	-0.0079	0.0088	0.0010	0.0315
	F24 F10	0.0078	-0.0077	-0.0067	0.0531	0.0387	-0.0077	0.0087	0.0010	0.0302
	F33 F12	0.0100	-0.0096	-0.0046	0.0627	0.0485	-0.0099	0.0110	0.0011	0.0347
	F34 F12	0.0053	-0.0052	-0.0050	0.0375	0.0274	-0.0049	0.0059	0.0010	0.0195
	C13 F34	0.0067	-0.0039	-0.0024	0.0318	0.0254	-0.0044	0.0054	0.0010	0.0203
	C17 C27	0.0094	-0.0052	-0.0021	0.0351	0.0278	-0.0047	0.0058	0.0011	0.0206
	C15 C25	0.0084	-0.0038	-0.0015	0.0294	0.0241	-0.0040	0.0050	0.0010	0.0184
	F33 C3	0.0099	-0.0078	-0.0032	0.0573	0.0463	-0.0083	0.0099	0.0017	0.0264
b	F9 F22	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0278	0.0212	-0.0033	0.0043	0.0010	0.0158
	F10 F35	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0277	0.0212	-0.0033	0.0043	0.0010	0.0147
	F10 F21	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0277	0.0212	-0.0033	0.0043	0.0010	0.0147
	F22 F10	0.0033	-0.0032	-0.0031	0.0258	0.0195	-0.0029	0.0039	0.0010	0.0132
	F11 F35	0.0033	-0.0032	-0.0031	0.0258	0.0195	-0.0029	0.0039	0.0010	0.0132
	F11 F34	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0278	0.0212	-0.0033	0.0043	0.0010	0.0158
	F21 F35	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0277	0.0212	-0.0033	0.0043	0.0010	0.0147
	F21 F36	0.0033	-0.0032	-0.0031	0.0258	0.0195	-0.0029	0.0039	0.0010	0.0132
	F19 F36	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0278	0.0212	-0.0033	0.0043	0.0010	0.0058
С	F9 F34	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0031	0.0272	0.0208	-0.0032	0.0042	0.0010	0.0154
	F10 F33	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0031	0.0272	0.0208	-0.0032	0.0042	0.0010	0.0154
	F10 F34	0.0034	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0263	0.0198	-0.0030	0.0040	0.0010	0.0135
	F20 F7	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0031	0.0272	0.0208	-0.0032	0.0042	0.0010	0.0154
	F21 F7	0.0034	-0.0033	-0.0032	0.0263	0.0198	-0.0030	0.0040	0.0010	0.0135
	F21 F12	0.0035	-0.0033	-0.0031	0.0272	0.0208	-0.0032	0.0042	0.0010	0.0154

<sup>*a*</sup> See Fig. 8 for details of atom labeling and conformation type. See Fig. 10 for QTAIM based molecular graph. <sup>*b*</sup> The properties include the charge density  $\rho_b$ , the three principal eigenvalues of the Hessian of the charge density matrix  $\lambda_{i \ (i=1-3)}$ , the Laplacian of the charge density  $\nabla^2 \rho_b$ , the gradient kinetic energy density  $G_b$ , the potential energy density  $V_b$ , the total energy density  $H_b$ , and .1 a.u. of  $\rho_b = 6.7483 \text{ e}^{A-3}$ ; 1 a.u. of  $\lambda_i$ 's or  $\nabla^2 \rho_b = 24.099 \text{ e}^{A-5}$ ; 1 a.u. of  $V_b$ , or  $G_b$ , or  $H_b = 627.509 \text{ kcal mol}^{-1}$ .

Conformation (3,-1) bcp  $\mathsf{H}_{\mathsf{b}}$ DI  $V_{b}$ λ1 λ2  $\lambda_3$  $\nabla^2 \rho_b$ Gb  $\rho_{\text{b}}$ 0.0292 0.0038 -0.0036 -0.0034 0.0222 -0.0035 0.0046 0.0010 а F19 F36 0.0167 -0.0034 -0.0033 0.0282 0.0215 -0.0034 0.0044 0.0010 0.0149 F21 F10 0.0036 F21 F35 0.0038 -0.0036 -0.0035 0.0298 0.0226 -0.0036 0.0046 0.0010 0.0160 F21 F36 0.0034 -0.0033 -0.0032 0.0266 0.0200 -0.0030 0.0040 0.0010 0.0136 0.0036 -0.0035 -0.0034 0.0277 0.0208 -0.0032 0.0042 0.0010 F22 F10 0.0143 F22 F9 0.0037 -0.0035 -0.0034 0.0290 0.0221 -0.0035 0.0045 0.0010 0.0154 0.0281 -0.0034 F44 F22 0.0036 -0.0034 -0.0033 0.0214 0.0044 0.0010 0.0149 F23 F44 0.0031 -0.0030 -0.0030 0.0249 0.0189 -0.0028 0.0037 0.0010 0.0127 0.0035 -0.0033 -0.0032 0.0276 0.0211 -0.0033 0.0043 0.0010 F45 F23 0.0157 F10 F35 0.0034 -0.0032 -0.0031 0.0269 0.0206 -0.0032 0.0042 0.0010 0.0142 0.0031 -0.0030 -0.0029 0.0245 0.0186 -0.0027 0.0037 0.0010 0.0125 F35 F11 0.0265 -0.0031 0.0010 F11 F34 0.0033 -0.0031 -0.0030 0.0203 0.0041 0.0150 F44 F9 0.0043 -0.0042 -0.0040 0.0330 0.0248 -0.0041 0.0052 0.0010 0.0179 0.0284 0.0213 -0.0033 0.0043 0.0010 F43 F9 0.0037 -0.0036 -0.0035 0.0145 F43 F8 0.0045 -0.0043 -0.0041 0.0338 0.0254 -0.0043 0.0053 0.0010 0.0196 b F24 F48 0.0036 -0.0034 -0.0033 0.0283 0.0215 -0.0034 0.0044 0.0010 0.0161 F24 F44 0.0034 -0.0033 -0.0032 0.0263 0.0199 -0.0030 0.0040 0.0010 0.0134 F23 F44 0.0035 -0.0033 -0.0032 0.0274 0.0209 -0.0033 0.0042 0.0010 0.0155 0.0027 -0.0026 -0.0025 0.0219 0.0168 -0.0023 0.0033 0.0009 F7 F21 0.0110 0.0242 F7 F20 0.0030 -0.0028 -0.0027 0.0187 -0.0028 0.0037 0.0010 0.0137 F12 F21 0.0030 -0.0028 -0.0027 0.0242 0.0187 -0.0028 0.0037 0.0010 0.0137 F34 F9 0.0035 -0.0033 -0.0032 0.0274 0.0209 -0.0033 0.0042 0.0010 0.0155 F33 F10 0.0036 -0.0034 -0.0033 0.0283 0.0215 -0.0034 0.0044 0.0010 0.0161 F34 F10 -0.0030 0.0034 -0.0033 -0.0032 0.0263 0.0199 0.0040 0.0010 0.0134

Table S3: Selected QTAIM based topological properties of the charge density for the two tetramers of the  $(C_6F_6)_4$  complex, obtained with M06-2X/6-311++G(d,p).<sup>*a*</sup>,<sup>*b*</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup> See Fig. 9 for details of atom labeling and conformation type. See Fig. 10 for QTAIM based molecular graph. <sup>*b*</sup> The properties include the charge density  $\rho_b$ , the three principal eigenvalues of the Hessian of the charge density matrix  $\lambda_{i \ (i=1-3)}$ , the Laplacian of the charge density  $\nabla^2 \rho_b$ , the gradient kinetic energy density  $G_b$ , the potential energy density  $V_b$ , the total energy density  $H_b$ , and .1 a.u. of  $\rho_b = 6.7483 \ e^{A^{-3}}$ ; 1 a.u. of  $\lambda_i$ 's or  $\nabla^2 \rho_b = 24.099 \ e^{A^{-5}}$ ; 1 a.u. of  $V_b$ , or  $G_b$ , or  $H_b = 627.504 \ kcal \ mol^{-1}$ .

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