

Electronic Supplementary Information

B₃@Si₁₂⁺: Strong stabilizing effects of triatomic cyclic boron unit on tubular silicon clusters

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Table: Cartesian Coordinates of the main structures considered.

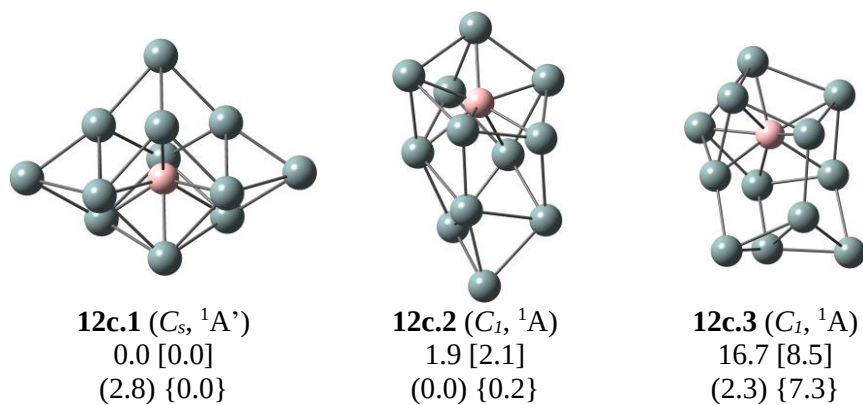


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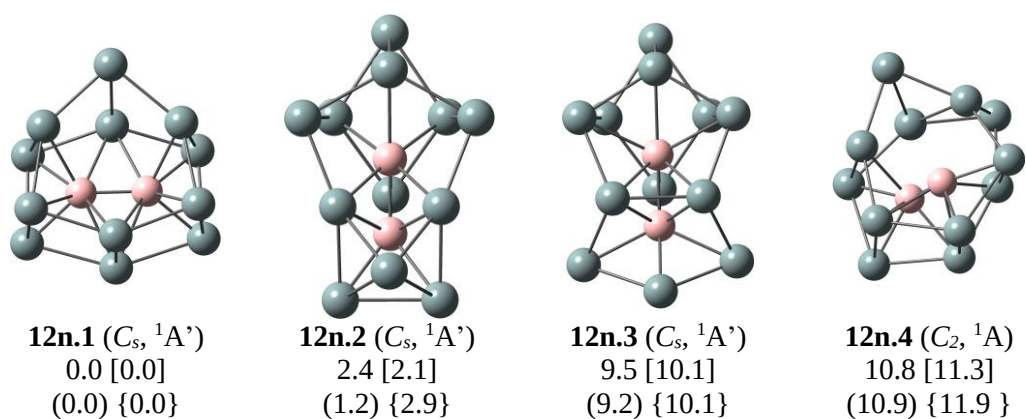


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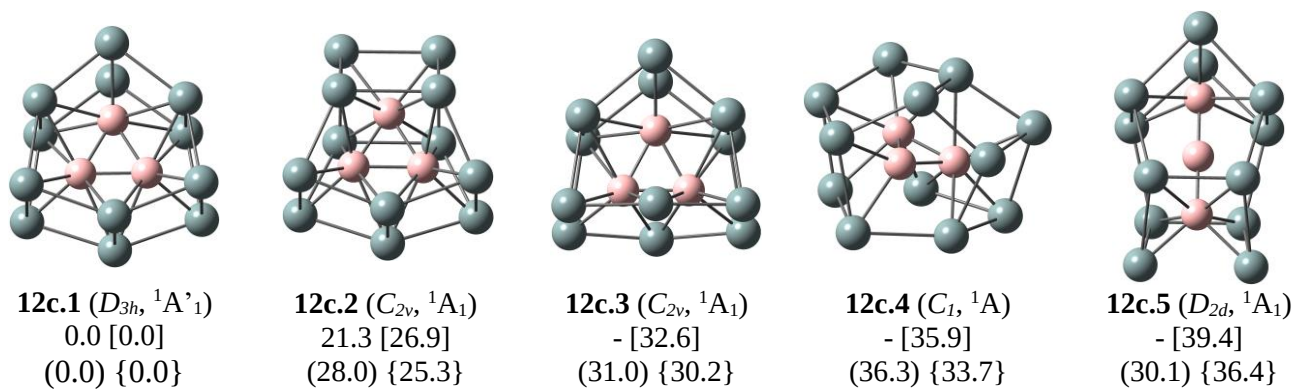


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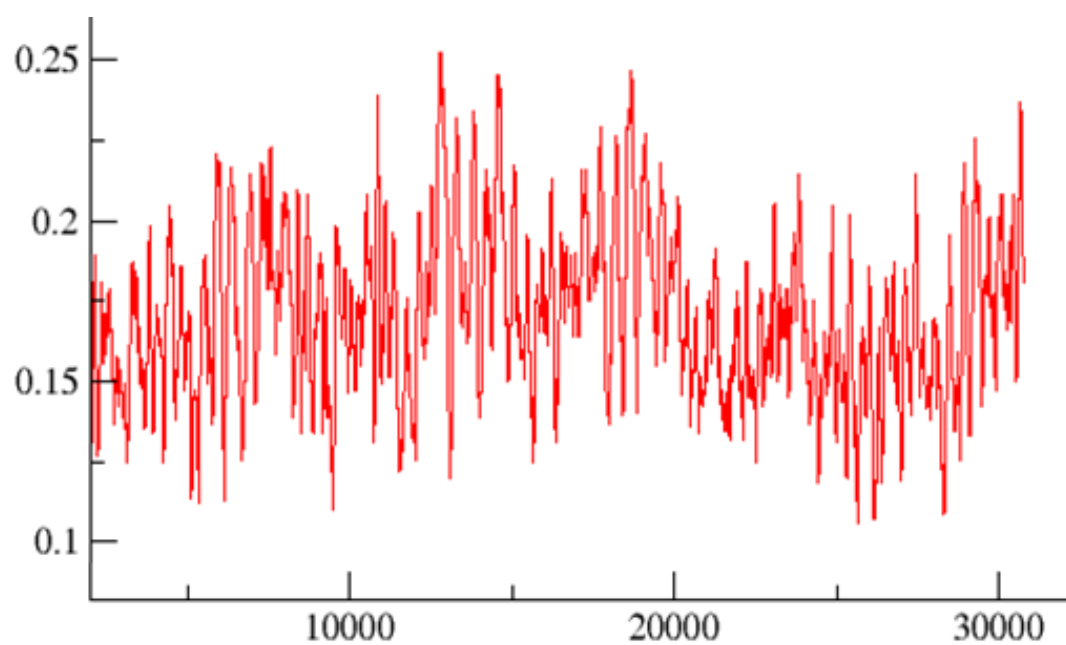


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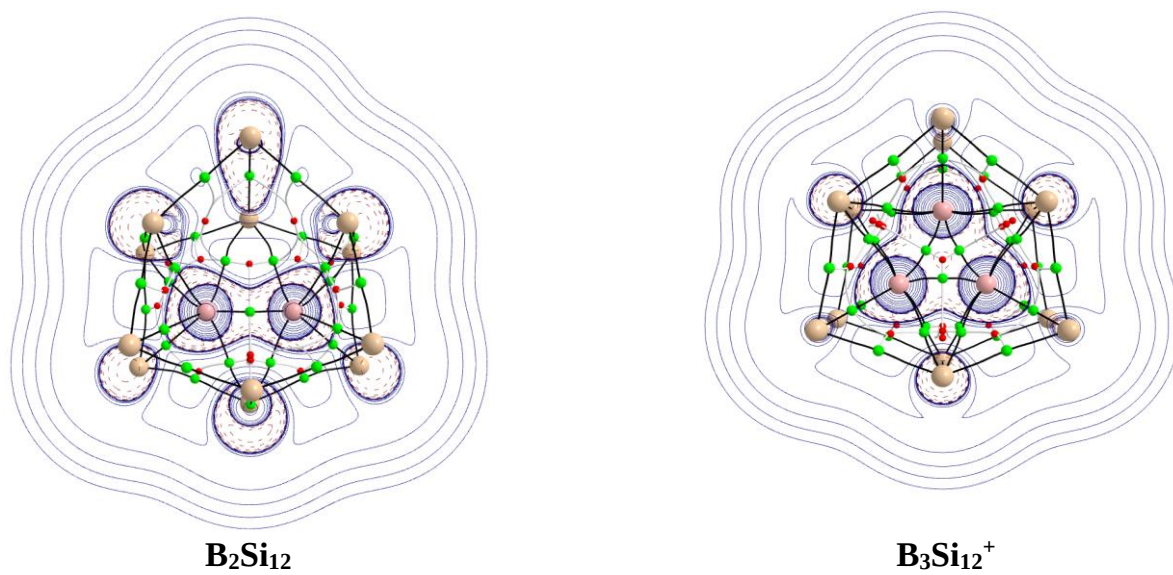
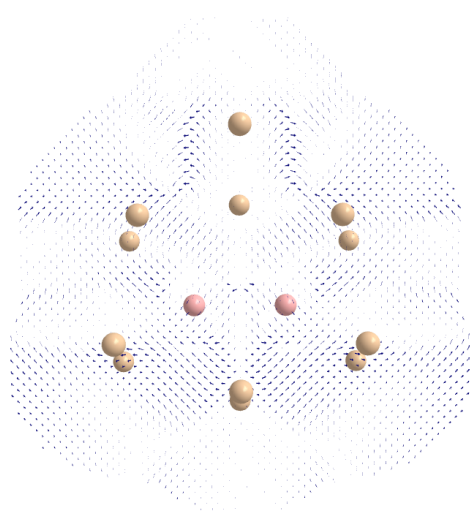
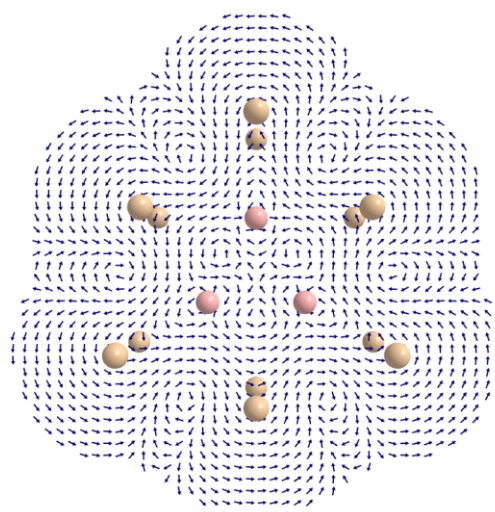


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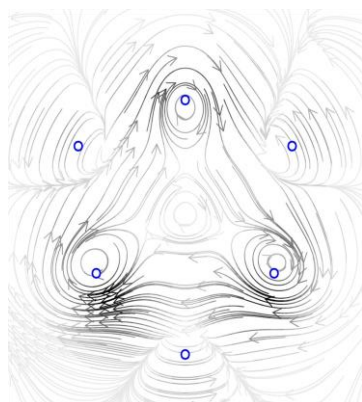


B_2Si_{12}

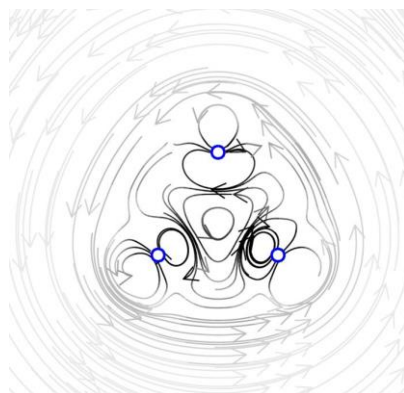


$\text{B}_3\text{Si}_{12}^+$

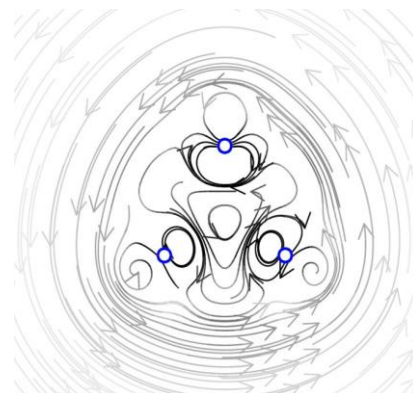
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Si_{12}



B_3^+



B_3^-

Figure S7.

Table: Cartesian coordinates of **3.c.A**, **2.n.A** and **1.c.A**

3.c.A

B	0.00000000	-1.00494006	0.00000000
B	0.87030362	0.50247003	0.00000000
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Si	0.00000000	2.20478101	1.18333109
Si	2.29172883	1.32313025	1.30965506
Si	1.90939637	-1.10239051	1.18333109
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2.n.A

Si	-1.48281604	0.86365693	-2.26025190
Si	-1.13899367	1.59294541	0.00000000
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1.c.A

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Si	1.18291391	-0.32360645	1.68554400
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Si	-0.17844399	0.00042195	-3.59052900
Si	-0.72032657	1.44354011	-1.67576300
Si	-1.23308334	-1.16338073	1.65529300