

Supplementary information

The DFT/CC method is briefly described in the Section 2 (for more detailed description see Refs. [1-3]). Calculations of the interaction energies used in Eq. [1] (Section 2) for evaluating the DFT/CC corrections at the PBE/AVQZ and CCSD(T)/CBS levels of theory are detailed below.

Complete Basis Set (CBS) extrapolation

The CCSD(T)/CBS estimates are obtained from the simple correlation dependence on the cardinal number X

$$E_X^{cor} = E_{CBS}^{cor} + A \cdot X^{-3}, \quad [1]$$

where E^{cor} stands for the correlation energy. For uncorrelated part the HF/AV5Z energy is taken as the CBS limit. The CCSD(T)/CBS calculations for the H₂..A complexes (A = Ar, C₂H₂, C₂H₄, C₂H₆, C₆H₆, CH₄, H₂, H₂O, N₂, NH₃, CO, CO₂) were carried out according formula

$$E_{CCSD(T)/CBS} = E_{CCSD(T)/CBS}^{cor}(AVTZ / AVQZ) + E_{HF/AV5Z}. \quad [2]$$

The CCSD(T)/CBS estimates for the benzene..A complexes were obtained as

$$E_{CCSD(T)/CBS} = E_{CCSD(T)/AVDZ}^{cor} + E_{MP2/CBS}^{cor}(AVTZ / AVQZ) - E_{MP2/AVDZ}^{cor} + E_{HF/AV5Z}. \quad [3]$$

Monomer geometries

The CCSD(T)/CBS and PBE/AVQZ calculations were performed with frozen monomer geometries obtained at the CCSD(T)/AVQZ level. The benzene geometry was taken from Ref. [1].

Basis sets

Calculations on the reference set systems were performed with the augmented Dunning's correlation-consistent valence- X - ζ basis set with polarization functions (AVXZ, see Section 2 for more details). The augmented functions on benzene's hydrogens were stripped in HF/AV5Z calculations. All interaction energies were corrected for the basis set superposition error (BSSE) by standard counterpoise correction of Boys and Bernardi.

DFT/CC reference sets

The DFT/CC reference sets from which the atom-atom correction functions were obtained are given in Figs. [1-9]. One dimensional PES scans were performed for each reference system as indicated by an arrow. The reference sets for H₂, C₆H₆, and H₂O were reported elsewhere¹⁻³ and they are not included in Figs. [1-9].

References

- [1] Bludsky O., Rubes M., Soldan P., Nachtigall P., *J. Chem. Phys.*, 2008, **128**, 114102.
- [2] Rubes M., Bludsky O., *Chemphyschem*, 2009, **10**, 1868.
- [3] Rubes M., Nachtigall P., Vondrasek J., Bludsky O., *J. Phys. Chem. C*, 2009, **113**, 8412.

Figure 1 Reference set for argon atom: Ar..H₂ (*C*_{2v}) and Ar..C₆H₆ (*C*_{6v}) complexes.

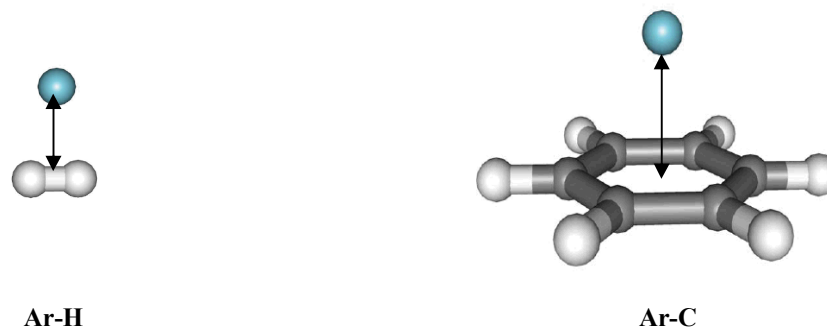


Figure 2 Reference set for N₂ molecule: N₂..H₂ (*C*_{2v}) and N₂..C₆H₆ (*C*_{2v}) complexes.



Figure 3 Reference set for CH₄ molecule: H₂ dimer (*D*_{2d}), CH₄..H₂ (*C*_{3v}), C₆H₆..H₂ (*C*_{6v}), and CH₄..C₆H₆ (*C*_{3v}) complexes.

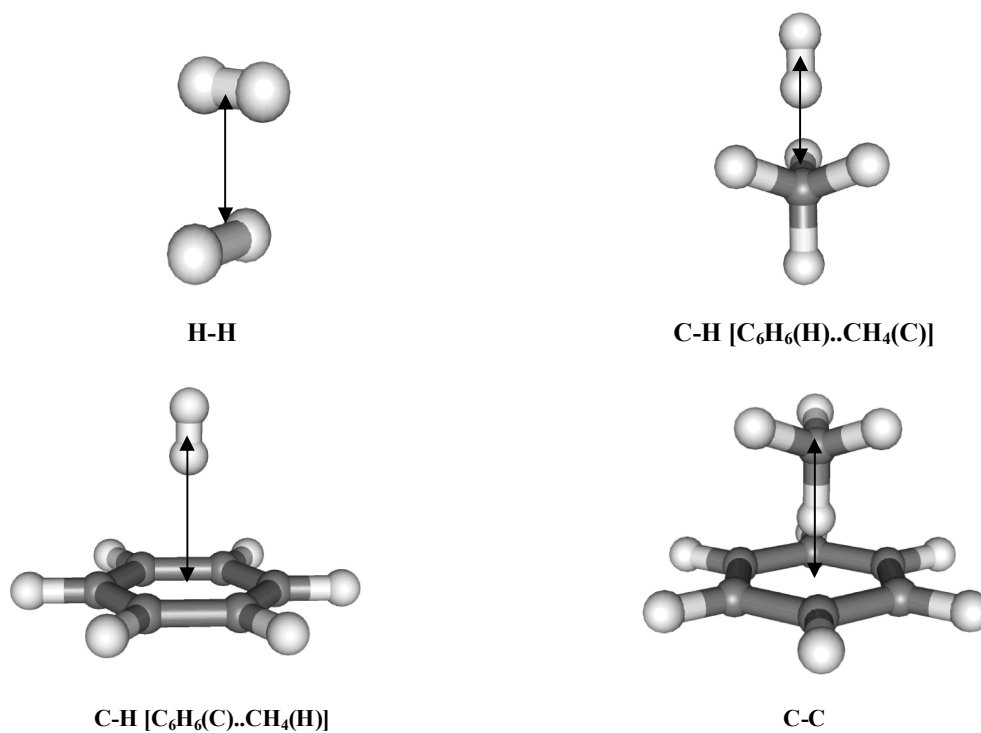


Figure 4 Reference set for C_2H_6 : H_2 dimer (D_{2d}), $C_2H_6..H_2$ (C_{2v}), $C_6H_6..H_2$ (C_{6v}), $C_6H_6..H_2$ (C_{6v}), and $C_2H_6..C_6H_6$ (C_{2v}) complexes.

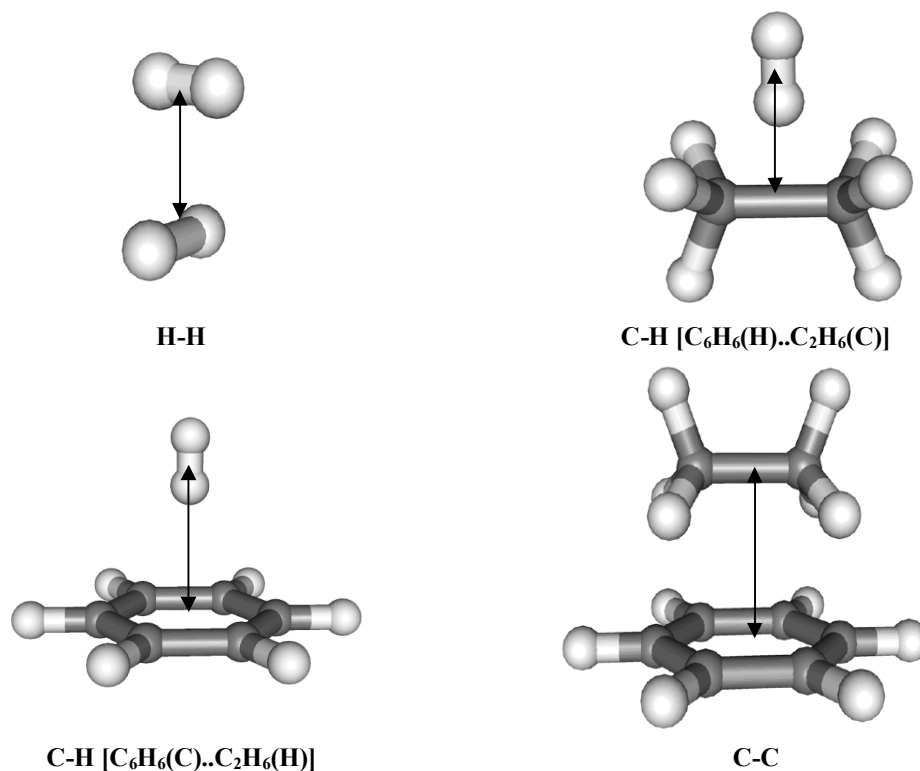


Figure 5 Reference set for C_2H_4 : H_2 dimer (D_{2d}), $C_2H_4..H_2$ (C_{2v}), $C_6H_6..H_2$ (C_{6v}), and $C_2H_4..C_6H_6$ (C_{2v}) complexes.

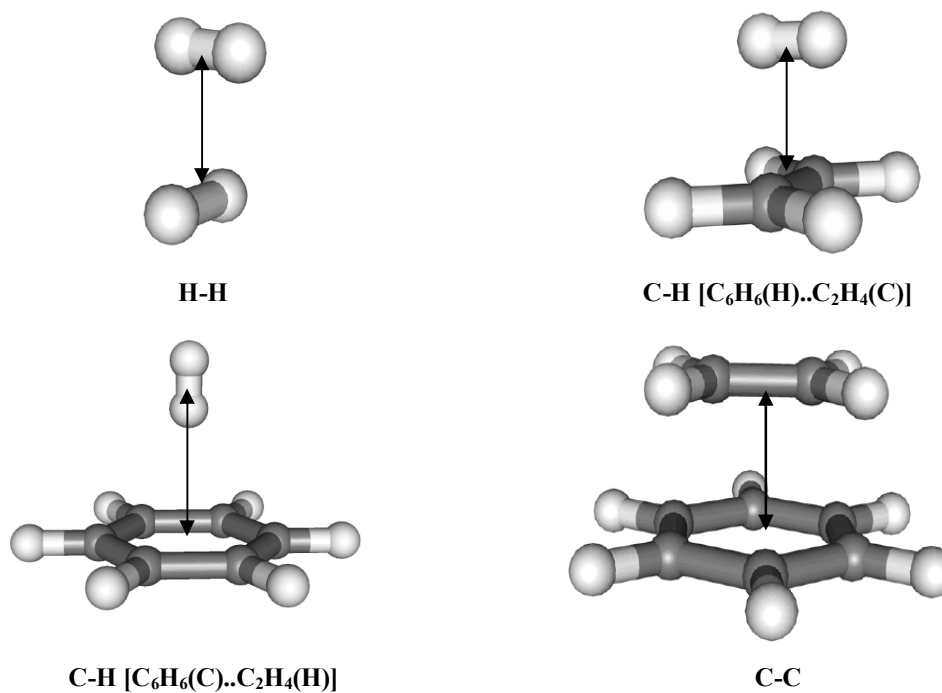


Figure 6 Reference set for C_2H_2 : $C_2H_2..H_2$ (C_{2v}), $C_2H_2..H_2$ (C_{2v}), $C_6H_6..H_2$ (C_{6v}), and $C_2H_2..C_6H_6$ (C_{2v}) complexes.

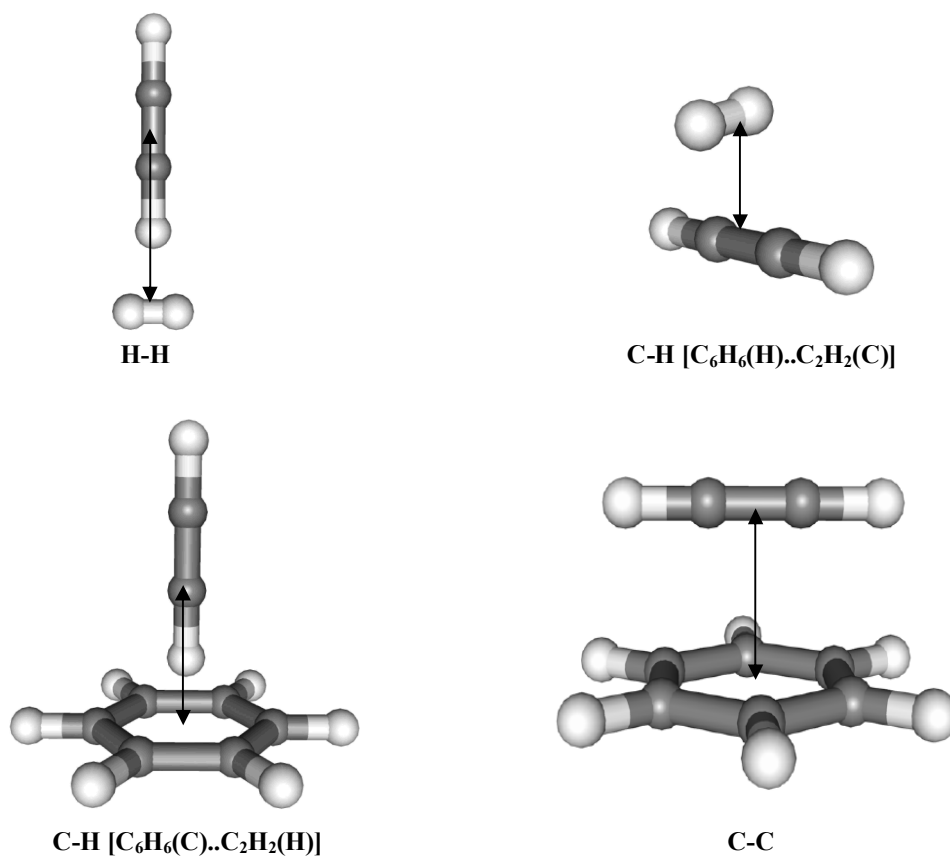


Figure 7 Reference set for CO: $CO..H_2$ (C_{2v}), $CO..C_6H_6$ (C_{6v}) complexes.

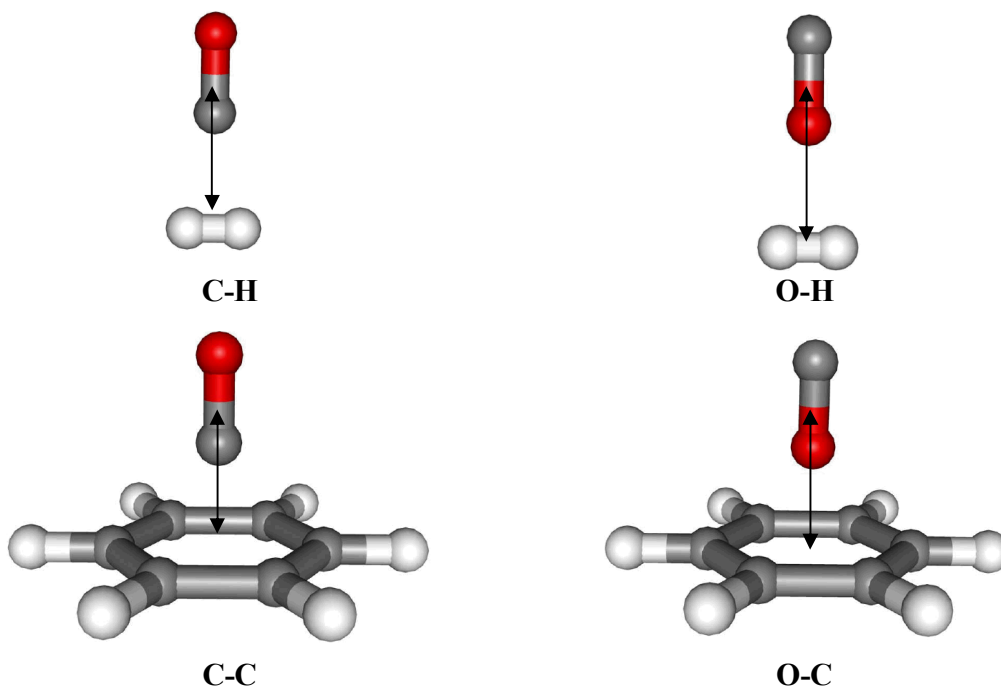


Figure 8 Reference set for CO₂: CO₂..H₂ (C_{2v}) and CO₂..C₆H₆ (C_{2v},C_{6v}) complexes.

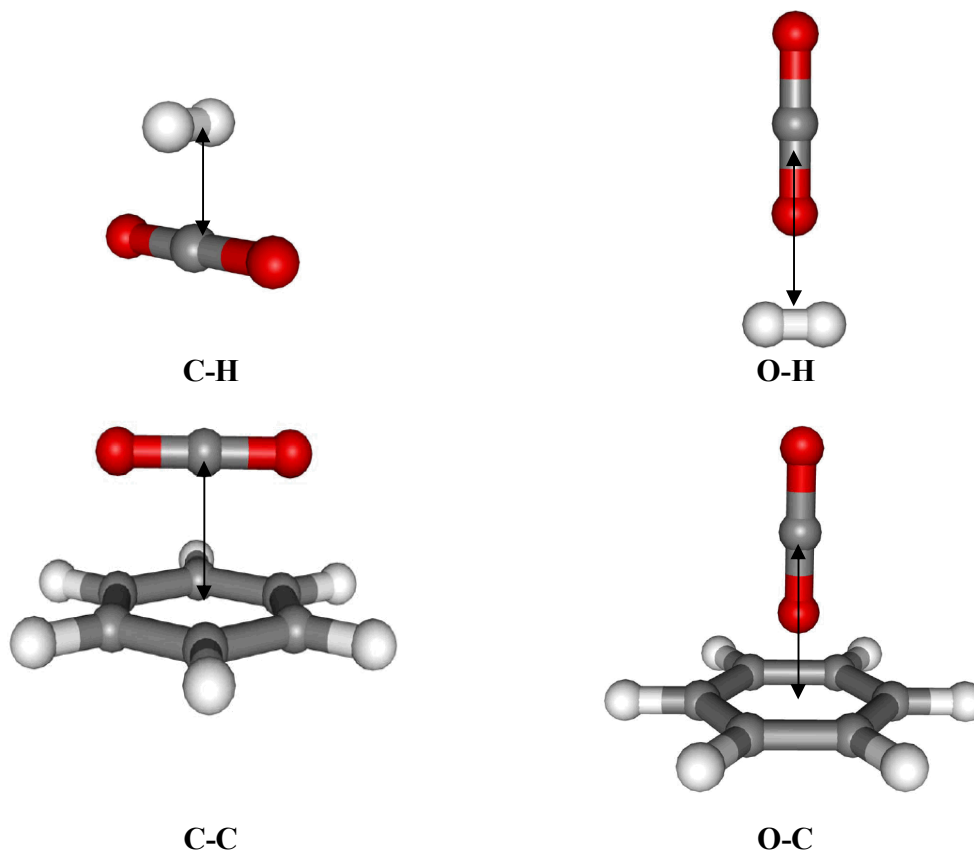


Figure 9 Reference set for $\text{NH}_3:\text{H}_2$ dimer (D_{2d}), $\text{NH}_3:\text{H}_2$ (C_s), and $\text{NH}_3:\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ (C_{3v}) complexes.

