

Supporting Information

Orbital-based insights into parallel-displaced and twisted conformations in π - π interactions

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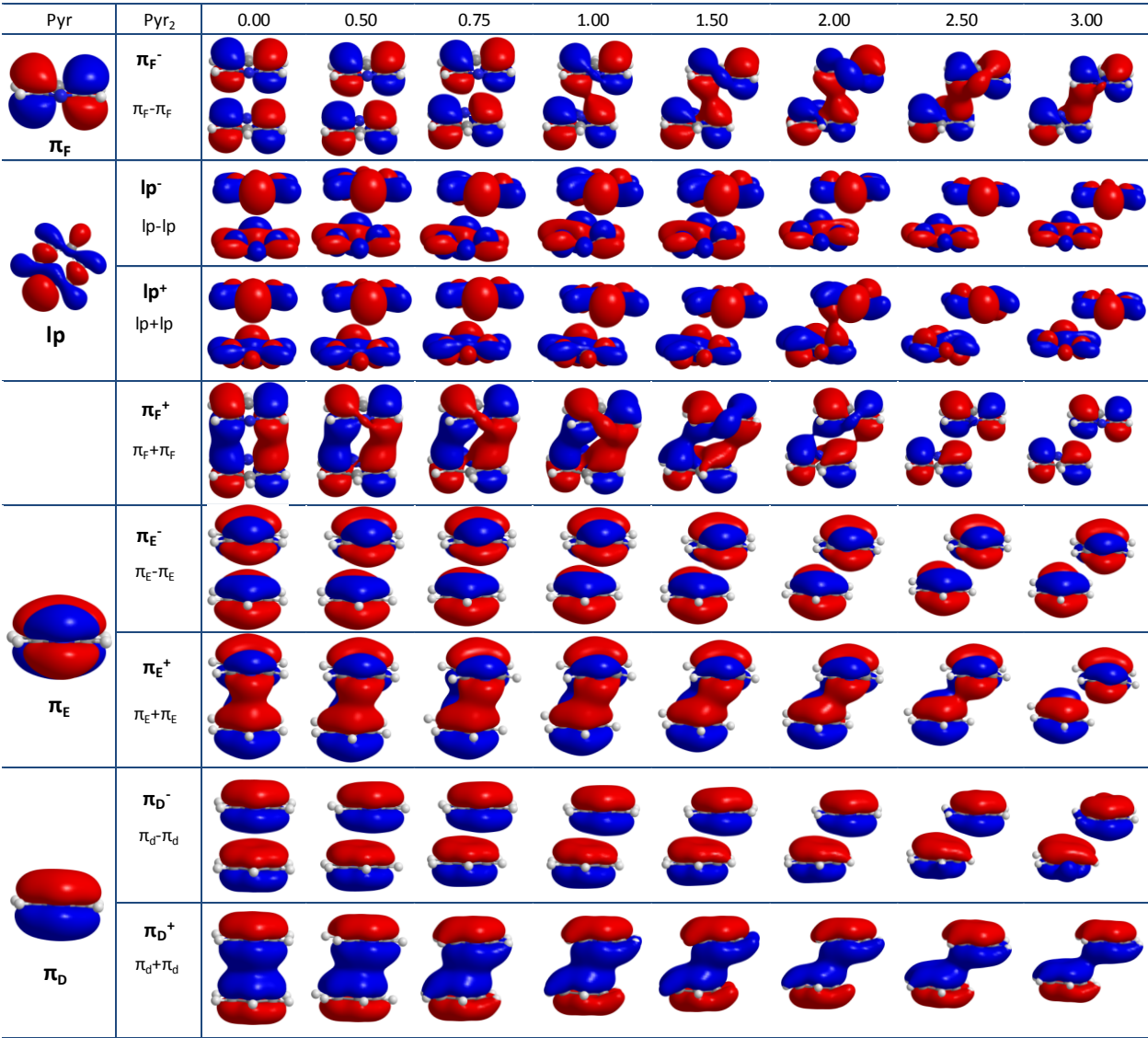


Figure S1. The orbital representations of the top four π molecular orbitals of Pyr₂ as a function of R_{slip} .

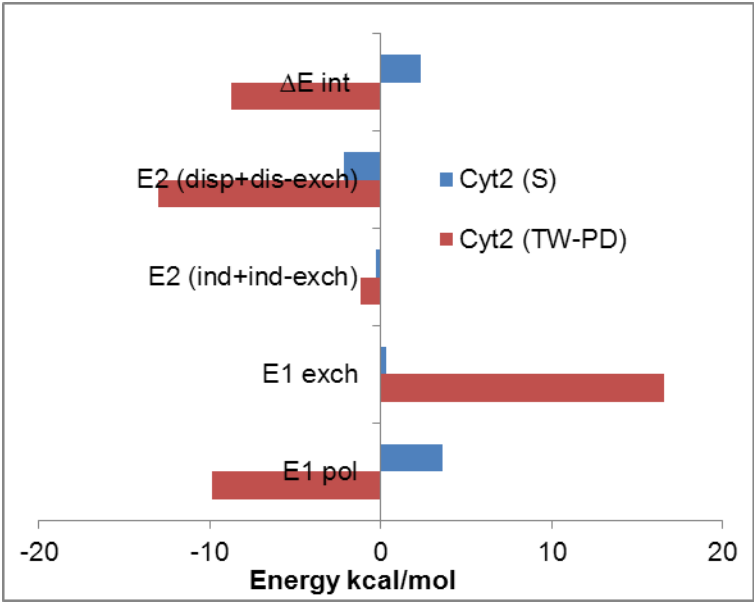


Figure S2. DF-DFT-SAPT energy contributions for both Cyt₂ (S) and Cyt₂ (TW-PD).

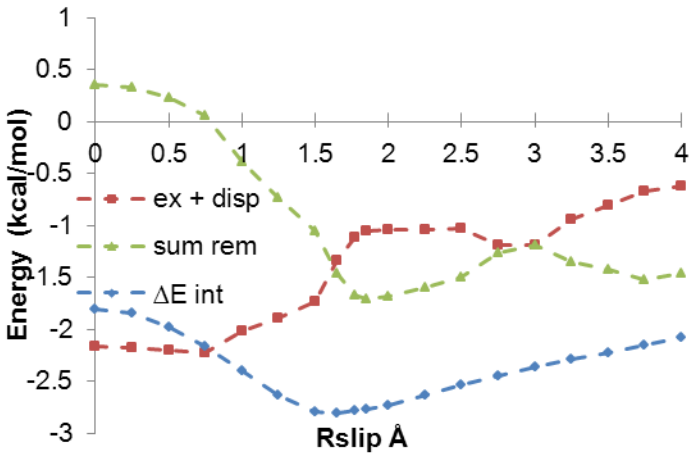


Figure S3. Plot of the DF-DFT-SAPT E_{int} , the sum of the $E_{\text{exch}}^{(1)}$ and $E_{\text{disp}}^{(2)}$ contributions, and the sum of the remaining $E_{\text{pol}}^{(1)}$, $E_{\text{ind}}^{(2)}$, $E_{\text{ind-disp}}^{(2)}$, $E_{\text{exch-disp}}^{(2)}$ and $\delta(\text{HF})$ terms for Bz₂ plotted as a function of R_{slip} .

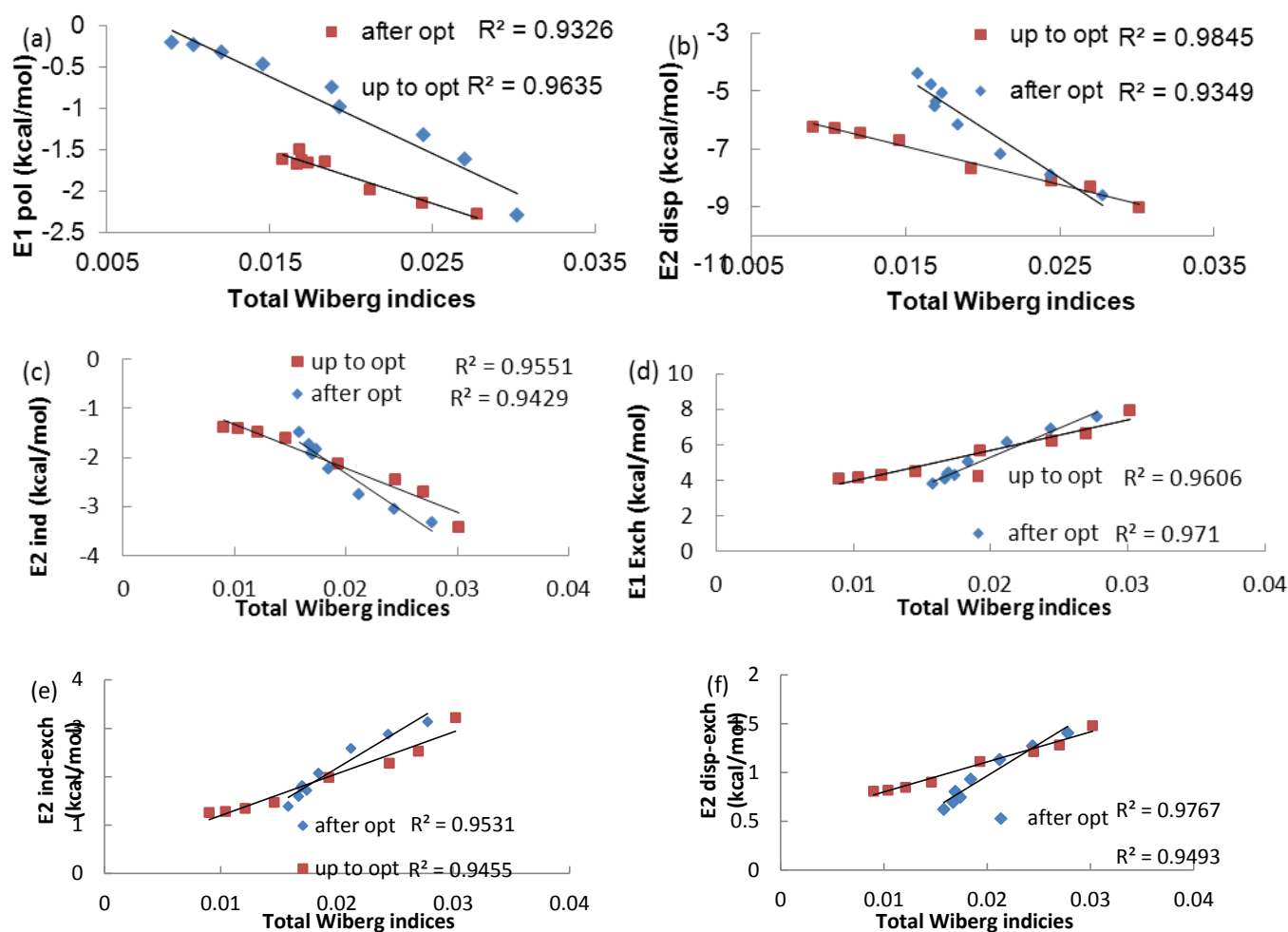


Figure S4. DF-DFT-SAPT energy contributions for Bz_2 plotted as a function of the total intermolecular Wiberg bond indices which displays a change in slope before and after the minimum reflecting a change in the type of monomer MOs involved in inter-ring bonding. (a) Plot of $E_{pol}^{(1)}$ as a function of the total WBI. (b) Plot of $E_{disp}^{(2)}$ plotted as function of total WBI. (c) Plot of $E_{ind}^{(2)}$ as a function of the total WBI. (d) Plot of $E_{exch}^{(1)}$ as a function of the total WBI. (e) Plot of $E_{ind-exch}^{(2)}$ as a function of the total WBI. f, Plot of $E_{disp-exch}^{(2)}$ as a function of the total WBI.

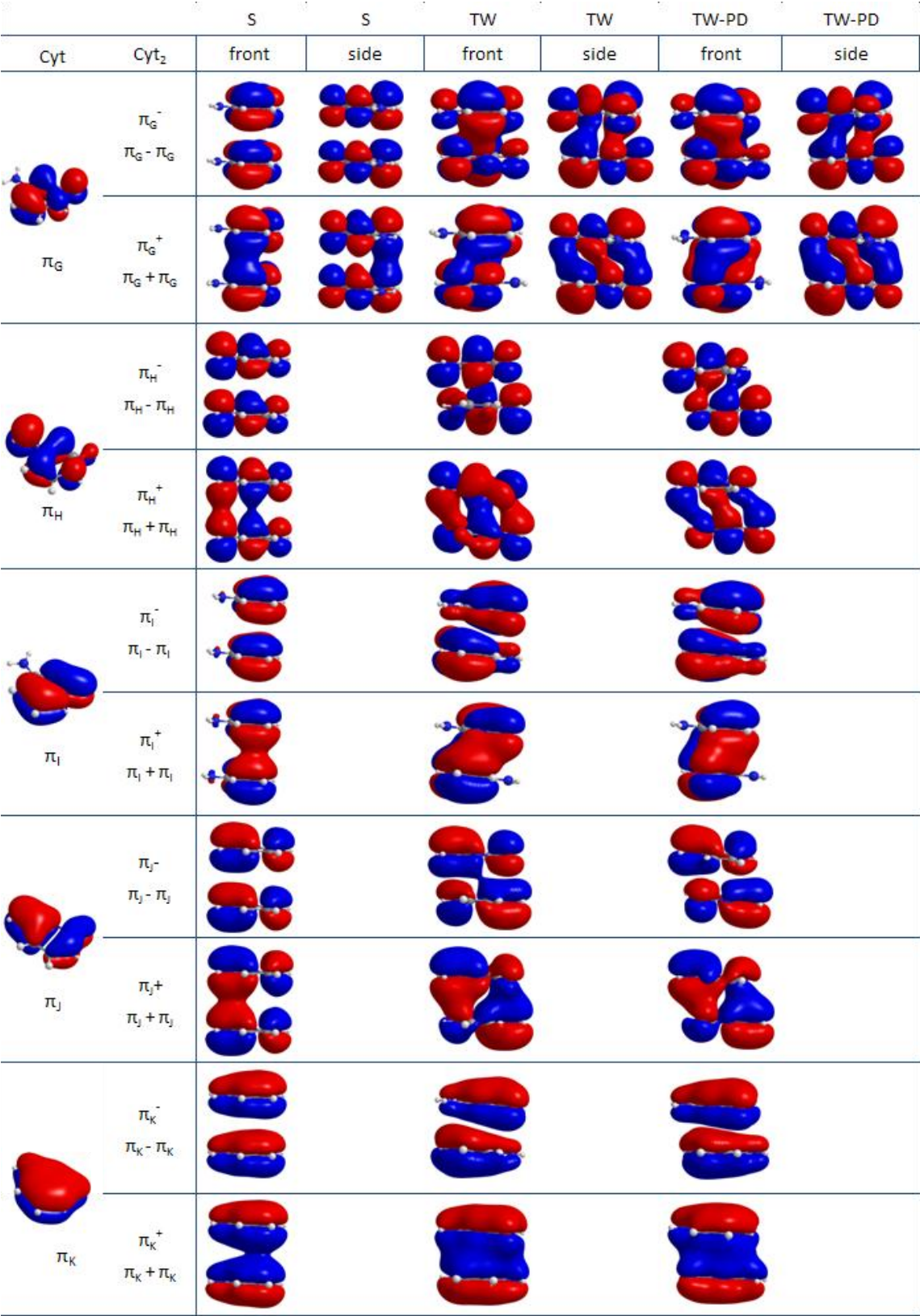


Figure S5. The orbital representations of the 10 π orbitals for Cyt₂.