

Stabilizing Tetramethylammonium Lead Iodide Perovskite and Exploring its Electronic and Optical Absorption for Solar cell Absorber Application

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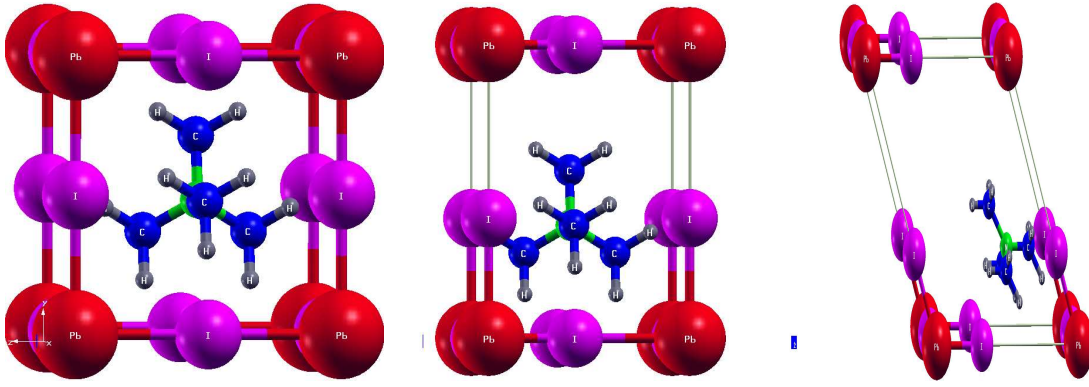


FIG. 1. (a) Cubic crystal structure of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$ (b) Tetragonal crystal structure of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$ (c) Hexagonal structure of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$

TABLE I. Lattice Parameters of Pseudo-Cubic, Tetragonal, and Hexagonal structured $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$

	a ($\text{\AA}$)	b ($\text{\AA}$)	c ($\text{\AA}$)
This study (Pseudo-cubic)	6.35	6.44	6.34
This study (Tetragonal)	7.86	7.86	5.62
This study (Hexagonal)	9.77	9.77	7.91
Liu et al., ¹ (exp)	9.80	9.80	7.95
Jafarzadeh et al., ² (exp)	9.77	9.77	7.91

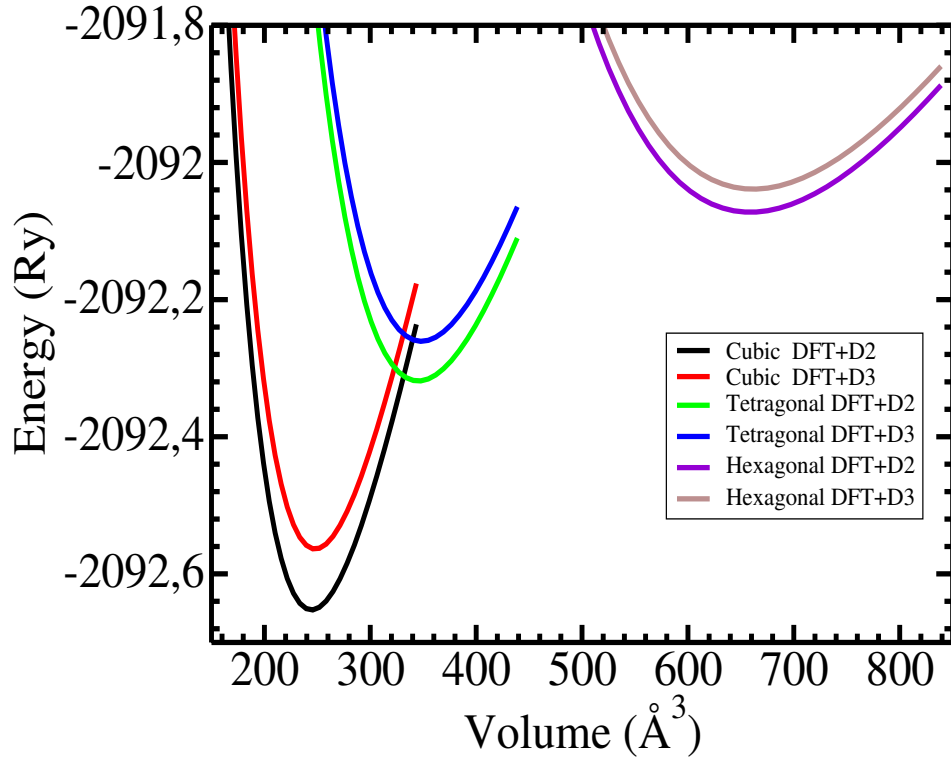


FIG. 2. Energy minimization of cubic, tetragonal and hexagonal structure of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$

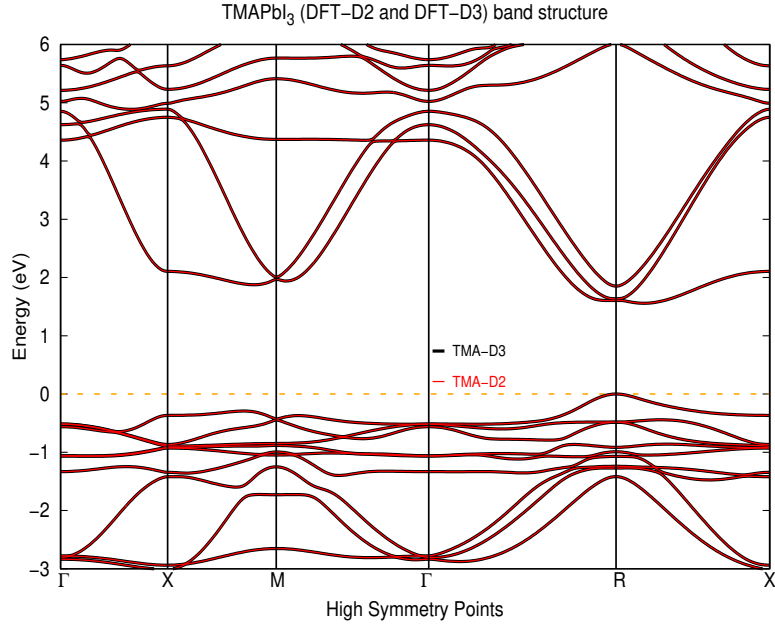


FIG. 3. DFT-D2 and DFT-D3 Electronic band structure of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$

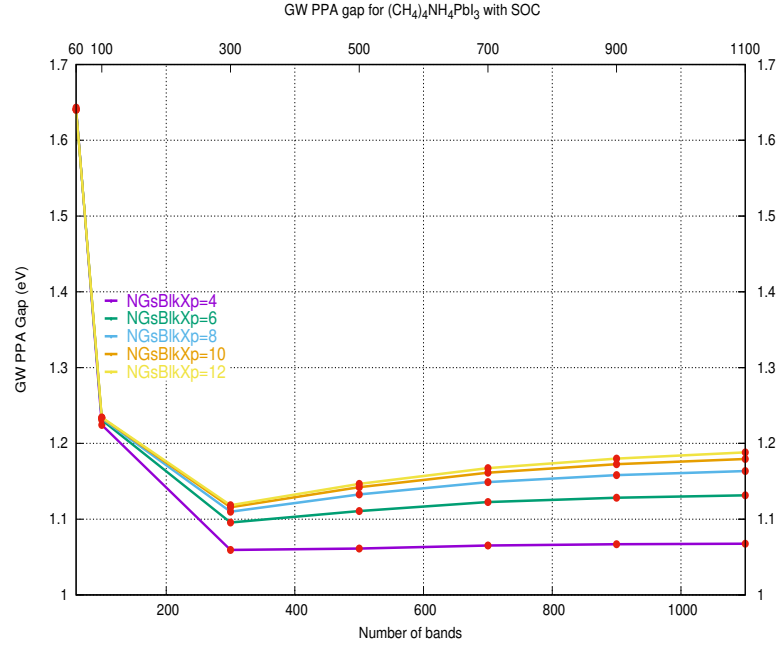


FIG. 4. GW PPA bandgap convergence with the number of bands for $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$

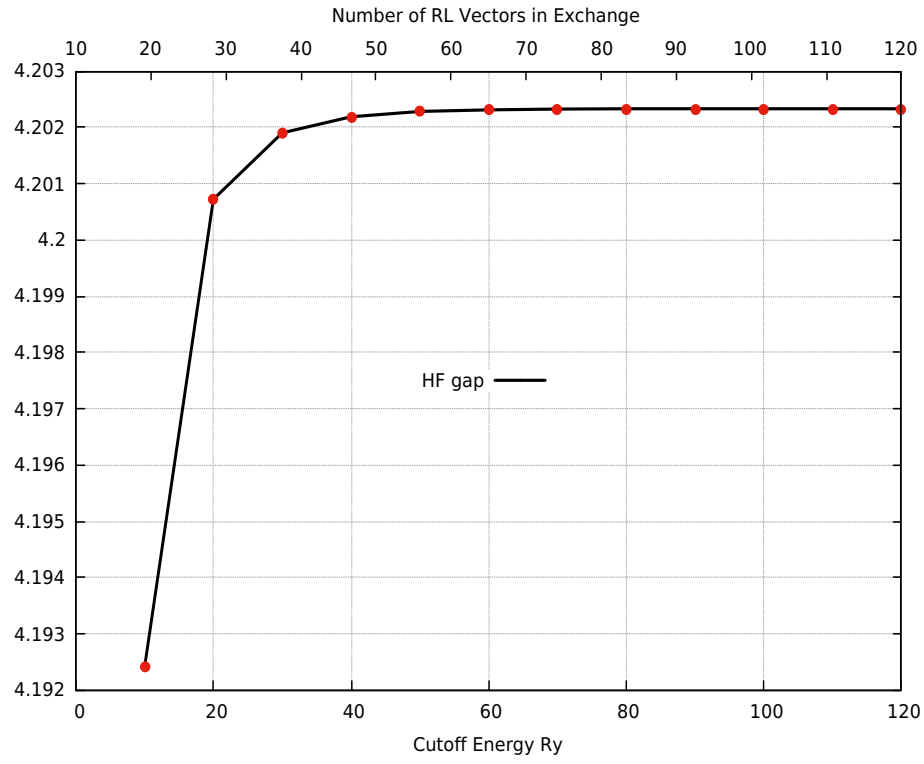


FIG. 5. The Convergence of the Number of Gvector in the exchange term with the Hartree Fock bandgap of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$ with spin-orbit coupling

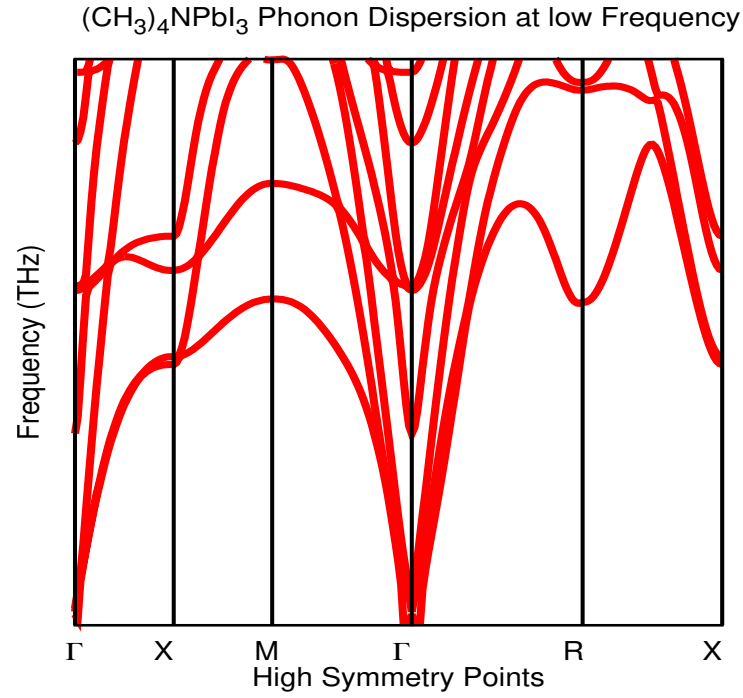


FIG. 6. Phonon dispersion of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$ at low frequency

TABLE II. DFT and DFT+soc and self-consistent GW band gap of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$

	With-SOC	Without-SOC
DFT (eV)	0.64	1.61
G_0W_0 (eV)	1.19	2.50
G_1W_1 (eV)	1.39	2.78
G_1W_0 (eV)	1.24	2.60
G_2W_2 (eV)	1.47	2.86
G_2W_0 (eV)	1.25	2.62
G_3W_3 (eV)	1.49	2.89
G_3W_0 (eV)	1.25	2.63

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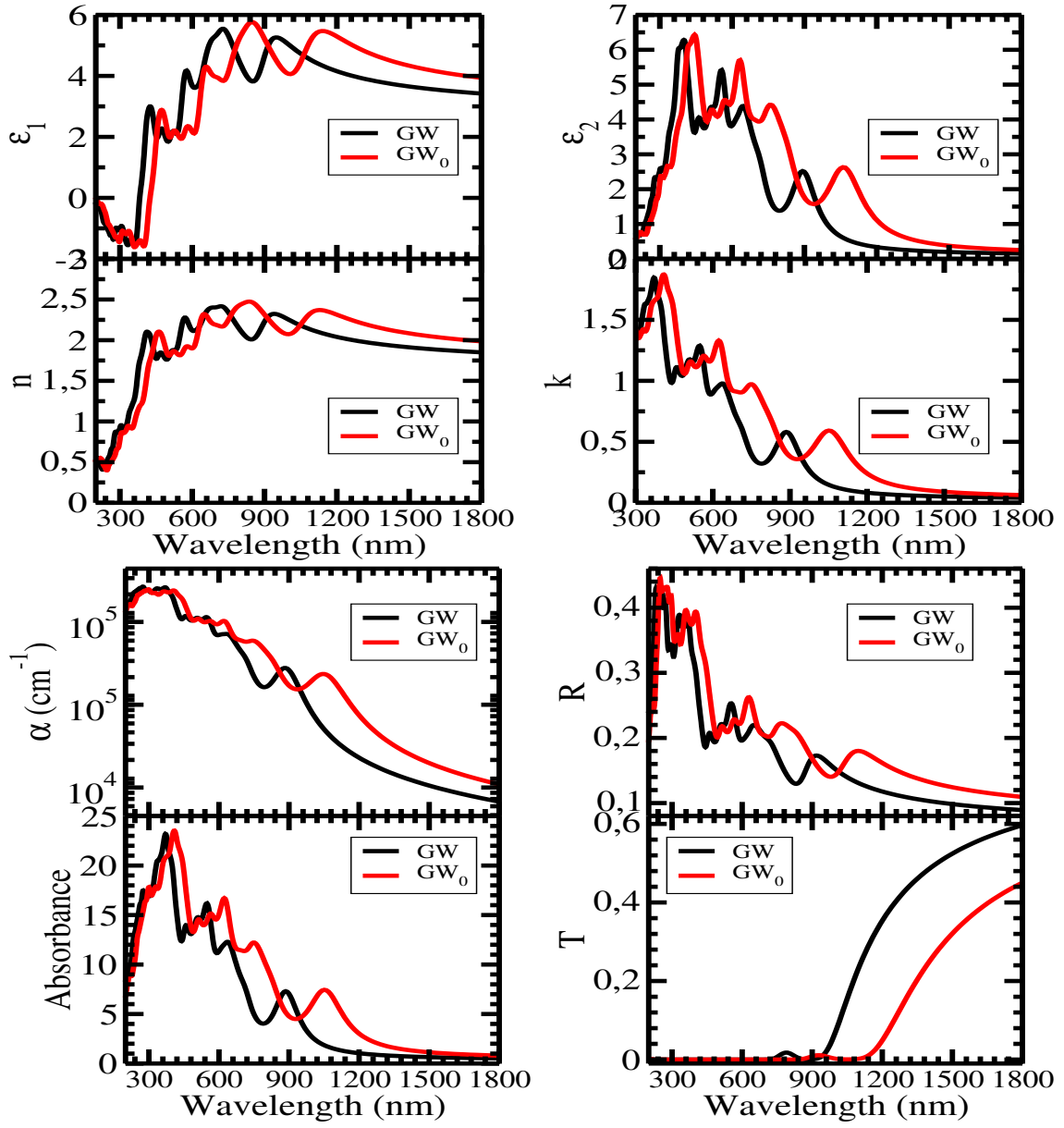


FIG. 7. BSE+SOC Optical spectra of $(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{NPbI}_3$ (a) Real part of dielectric tensor (b) Imaginary part of dielectric tensor (c) Refractive index (n) (d) Extinction coefficient (k) (e) Reflectivity (f) Absorption coefficient (g) Absorbance (h) Transmittance