A Posteriori Quantization of the Nuclear Motion by Backfill Calculations



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The idea of combining the molecular dynamics with numerically solving the Schrödinger equation for proton motion.

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Calculation of the energy for selected proton positions. Numerical solving the Schrödinger equation. Molecular Dynamics (CP2K, CPMD, Terachem)

Density Functional Theory (DFT), post-HF methods

The trajectory analysis: the snapshots computations

Analysis of the proton motions (quantum effects)

Analysis the electronic structure fluctuation along MD

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hydrogen bond in crystal field





































- The spontaneous and synchronous proton transfers were observed in form I of aspirin.
- The two minima in PES were detected for form I of aspirin.
- The hydrogen bond interaction is stronger in the form I of aspirin than in form II.
- The theoretical results were confirmed by the IR spectroscopy experiment.

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Perspective: Kinetic Isotope Effect

Perspectives:

• Comparison with the *a priori* quantization methods,

QWAIM (Quantum wavepackets for atom in molecules).

• Multidimensional quantization of nuclear motions.

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