

Fragment molecular orbital calculations with ABINIT-MP(X)

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I. Introduction

The fragment molecular orbital (FMO) scheme proposed by Kitaura [1] has been one of promising recipes to treat large scale molecules such as proteins in a quantum mechanical manner with practical costs of computation through the natural parallelism. FMO-related methodological developments and associated applications have been achieved in diverse ways during this decade [2]. This presentation will cover various topics of FMO calculations performed with our original program, ABINIT-MP(X) [3,4].

II. Correlated calculations

Higher-order treatments up to CCSD(T) have been available with a hybrid parallelization of OpenMP/MPI. The FMO-CCSD(T)/6-31G job for a complex between HIV-1 protease (198 residues) and lopinavir could be processed in 9.8 h on the Earth Simulator (ES2) with 512 processors. The largest target was an influenza hemagglutinin trimer (HA3) with two Fab fragments (total 2351 residues) at the FMO-MP3/6-31G level, where this job was completed in 5.8 h with 1024 processes of ES2.

CIS(D) type calculations incorporating some higher-order effects have been used to evaluate the electronic transition energies of photoactive proteins as well as the hydrated molecules. The excitation energies of yellow- and blue fluorescent proteins (YFP and BFP) were estimated to be 2.53 and 3.36 eV, respectively, being in good agreement with the corresponding experimental values of 2.41 eV and 3.21/3.25 eV [5].

III. Molecular dynamics

Molecular dynamics (MD) calculations could be performed with the FMO-based energy gradients straightforwardly [6]. Several organic reactions in water were analyzed by FMO-MD, and the dynamical features such as diversity of pathway were revealed. The hydration structures of metal ions were simulated as well.

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