

Stepwise Energy Decomposition Analysis: Calculation with simple molecules using modified GAMESS code

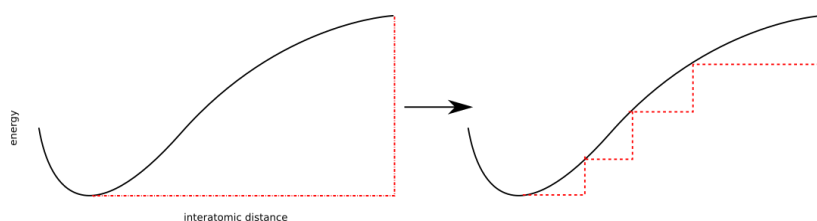
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Bonding energy characterizes chemical bonds and other interatomic interactions. Computational chemistry provides several methods of interaction characterization. Energy Decomposition Analysis (EDA) partitions bonding energy into components: preparation energy, electrostatic interaction, Pauli repulsion and orbital interaction energy. The calculation consists of squashing wavefunctions of relaxed fragments to the geometry of the molecule, followed by antisymmetrization and relaxation. Sola and Poater demonstrated different results for different orders of composition for multi-component structures. Our aim is to demonstrate the limitations of the EDA method on supersimple diatomic molecules. The plan was to split the calculation into several steps instead of just one. We preyed on the source code availability of computational software GAMESS. The tweaked code can perform the stepwise EDA. Results with H₂, Li₂, LiF, LiCl, N₂ are shown.

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