

Instructions

Step-1: Set-up

- Open terminal
- Run `conda activate chemstarx`

Step-2: Reactant optimization

- Open Avogadro
- Build Methyl iodide molecule
- Go to Build > Cartesian Editor > Sort by > Element
- Generate input for geometry optimization using Avogadro NWChem template Extensions > NWChem
- Add required blocks of Basis sets, Iodine basis and XYZ output from “utilites” file
- Run `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3I_GS.nw > CH3I_GS.nwo` in terminal

Step-3: Product optimization

- Open Avogadro
- Build Methylchloride molecule
- Go to Build > Cartesian Editor > Sort by > Element
- Generate input for geometry optimization using Avogadro NWChem template Extensions > NWChem
- Add required blocks of Basis sets and XYZ output from “utilites” file
- Run `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3Cl_GS.nw > CH3Cl_GS.nwo` in terminal

Step-4: PES preliminary

- Open Avogadro
- Build $\text{CH}_3\text{I} + \text{Cl}^-$ molecule
- Go to Build > Cartesian Editor > Sort by > Element
- Generate input for geometry optimization using Avogadro NWChem template
- Set C-Cl distance to 3.000 angstroms
- Add required blocks of Basis sets, Iodine basis, XYZ output and geometric constraints from “utilites” file

- Run `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3I_Cl.nw > CH3I_Cl.nwo` in terminal
- Open Avogadro
- Build CH₃Cl + I⁻ molecule
- Go to Build > Cartesian Editor > Sort by > Element
- Generate input for geometry optimization using Avogadro NWChem template
- Set C-I distance to 3.000 angstroms
- Add required blocks of Basis sets, Iodine basis, XYZ output and geometric constraints from “utilities” file
- Run `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3I_Cl.nw > CH3I_Cl.nwo` in terminal

Step-5: LIIC Calculation

- Open the latest XYZ file for CH₃I_Cl
- Build Menu > Cartesian Editor > Sort by “Element”
- Copy Python block for LIIC from “utilities”
- Fill in appropriate values for x0, y0, xmax, xmin and npts
- `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3I_Cl_PES1.nw > CH3I_Cl_PES1.nwo`
- Open the latest XYZ file for CH₃Cl_I
- Build Menu > Cartesian Editor > Sort by “Element”
- Copy Python block for LIIC from “utilities”
- Fill in appropriate values for x0, y0, xmax, xmin and npts
- `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3Cl_I_PES1.nw > CH3Cl_I_PES1.nwo`

Step-6: 2D PES Calculation

- Open the latest XYZ file for CH₃I_Cl
- Build Menu > Cartesian Editor > Sort by “Element”
- Copy Python block for 2D PES from “utilities”
- Fill in appropriate values for x0, y0, xmax, xmin and npts
- `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3I_Cl_PES2.nw > CH3I_Cl_PES2.nwo`

- Open the latest XYZ file for CH3Cl_I
- Build Menu > Cartesian Editor > Sort by “Element”
- Copy Python block for 2D PES from “utilities”
- Fill in appropriate values for x0, y0, xmax, xmin and npts
- `mpirun -np 4 nwchem CH3Cl_I_PES2.nw > CH3Cl_I_PES2.nwo`