#### 1. Notation

Summation over atom centers is denoted by summation over indices a, b, c, etc. Summation over AO-basis functions is denoted by summation over indices such as  $\mu, \nu$ , etc. The notation " $\mu \in a$ " means that the basis function  $\mu$  is centered on the atom a.

In the following sections we let  $q_a$  be the *Mulliken population* (always a strictly positive quantity), defined as:

$$q_{a} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu}$$
(1.1)

The charge fluctuation is then:

$$\Delta q_a = q_a - q_a^0 \tag{1.2}$$

Similarly the partial Mulliken charge is defined as

$$\Delta Q_a = q_a^0 - q_a = -\Delta q_a \tag{1.3}$$

All the equations are presented for DFTB2, but the presented derived terms are the same for DFTB3, since the extra DFTB3 energy terms are additive.

## 2. DFTB2/CPE energy

### 2.1 CPE energy

The CPE energy is given by:[1]

$$E_{\text{cpe}} = \mathbf{c}^T \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{c}^T \cdot \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{c}, \tag{2.1}$$

where the first order CPE-DFTB2 Coulomb interaction matrix elements are given by:

$$M_{ij} = f(R_{ij}) \iint \frac{\phi_i^{\text{cpe}}(\mathbf{r}) \,\phi_j^{\text{dftb2}}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}'$$
(2.2)

and the second order CPE-CPE Coulomb interaction matrix elements are given by:

$$N_{ij} = \iint \frac{\phi_i^{\text{cpe}}(\mathbf{r}) \,\phi_j^{\text{cpe}}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}'$$
(2.3)

The CPE basis functions depend on the Mulliken population, while the DFTB basis functions only have a charge dependence in DFTB3.

The set of coefficients of the CPE response density basis that variationally minimizes the total CPE energy in Eqn. 2.1 is given (analytically) by:

$$\mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q} \tag{2.4}$$

Using the above relation, the CPE energy can be recast into:

$$E_{\text{cpe}} = \mathbf{c}^T \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{c}^T \cdot \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{c}$$
 (2.5)

$$= -(\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q})^{T} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \frac{1}{2} + (\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q})^{T} \cdot \mathbf{N} \cdot (\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q})$$
(2.6)

$$= -(\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q})^{T} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q} + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q})^{T} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q}$$
(2.7)

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q})^T \cdot \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q}$$
 (2.8)

#### 2.2 DFTB2 energy

The DFTB2 energy is given by:[2]

$$E_{\text{dftb2}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu \nu}^{0} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} \Delta q_{a} \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}}$$
(2.9)

The DFTB2 Hamiltonian matrix elements are given by:[2]

$$H_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{dftb2})} = H_{\mu\nu}^{0} + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_{c} (\gamma_{ac} + \gamma_{bc}) \Delta q_{c}$$
 (2.10)

## 2.3 Combined DFTB2/CPE energy

The full DFTB2/CPE energy is given by:

$$E_{\text{dftb2/cpe}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{dftb2})} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}} + E_{\text{cpe}}$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu\nu}^{0} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} \Delta q_{a} \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab}}_{E_{\gamma}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}}}_{E_{\text{rep}}} + E_{\text{cpe}}$$

$$(2.11)$$

$$= E_{\rm H0} + E_{\gamma} + E_{\rm rep} + E_{\rm cpe} \tag{2.12}$$

The CPE Hamiltonian shift is given by:[3]

$$\Delta H_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{cpe})} = \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \left( \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_a} + \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_b} \right) \qquad \mu \in a, \nu \in b$$
(2.13)

Note that here  $q_a$  and  $q_b$  are the Mulliken populations. Giese and York (2012) give the derivative in terms of the Mulliken charge and differ by a sign. See Appendix A for details.

The occupied orbital energies is given in the terms of the (optimized) coefficients and the matrix elements

mentioned previously:

$$\sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu\nu}$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} \left( H_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{dftb2})} + \Delta H_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{cpe})} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu\nu}^{0} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_{c} (\gamma_{ac} + \gamma_{bc}) \Delta q_{c}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu\nu} \left( \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_{a}} + \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_{b}} \right) \tag{2.14}$$

Using the relation above, the energy can be calculated in terms of the orbital energies (as implemented in CHARMM), by isolating  $E_{\rm H0}$  in Eqn. 2.14 and inserting into Eqn. 2.12.

$$E_{\text{dftb2/cpe}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \sum_{c} (\gamma_{ac} + \gamma_{bc}) \Delta q_{c}$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \left( \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_{a}} + \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_{b}} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} \Delta q_{a} \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}} + E_{\text{cpe}}$$

$$(2.15)$$

The  $E_{\text{shift}}$  must be subtracted from the electronic energy to compensate for double counting when adding  $E_{\text{cpe}}$  to the electronic energy in terms of the occupied orbital energies.

The following relation is useful:

$$E_{\text{shift}} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \left( \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_{a}} + \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_{b}} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_{a}}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_{b}}$$

$$= -\sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_{a}}$$

$$= -\sum_{a} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_{a}} q_{a}$$

$$(2.16)$$

Using the above relation, the DFTB2/CPE energy can be simplified to:

$$E_{\text{dftb2/cpe}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} (q_{a} + q_{a}^{0}) \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab} - \sum_{a} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_{a}} q_{a} + E_{\text{cpe}}$$
(2.17)

## 3. DFTB2/CPE energy gradient

The energy gradient is the derivative of the energy with respect to the nuclear coordinates under the following constraint:[4]

$$-F_{kx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial R_{kx}} \left[ E_{\text{dftb2/cpe}} - \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_i \varepsilon_i \left( \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} - 1 \right) \right]$$
(3.1)

Using the notation of Eq. 2.12, we can rewrite this as:

$$-F_{kx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial R_{kx}} \left[ E_{H0} + E_{\gamma} + E_{rep} + E_{cpe} - \sum_{i}^{occ} n_i \varepsilon_i \left( \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} - 1 \right) \right]$$
(3.2)

Separating the terms that appear in the standard DFTB2 gradient, and the DFTB2/CPE gradient, we arrive at the CPE gradient correction:

$$-F_{kx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial R_{kx}} \left[ E_{H0} + E_{\gamma} + E_{rep} + E_{cpe} - \sum_{i}^{occ} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} \left( \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} - 1 \right) \right]$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial R_{kx}} \left[ E_{H0} + E_{\gamma} + E_{rep} - \sum_{i}^{occ} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} \left( \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} - 1 \right) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial R_{kx}} E_{cpe}}_{\text{Same as the DFTB2 gradient}}$$

$$= -F_{kx}^{(dftb2)} + \frac{\partial E_{cpe}}{\partial R_{kx}}$$
(3.3)

The last term is new, and is presented in the next sections.

# 3.1 CPE gradient: $-F_{kx}^{(\text{cpe})} = \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}}{\partial R_{kx}}$

The CPE energy depends explicitly on the coordinates via the Coulomb integrals, and implicitly on the coordinates via the CPE coefficients and the Mulliken population:

$$-F_{kx}^{(\text{cpe})} = \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}(R_{kx})}{\partial R_{kx}}$$

$$= \sum_{i} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}(\mathbf{q}, c_{i}(R_{kx}))}{\partial c_{i}} \frac{\partial c_{i}(R_{kx})}{\partial R_{kx}} + \sum_{a} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}(q_{a}(R_{kx}), \mathbf{c})}{\partial q_{a}} \frac{\partial q_{a}(R_{kx})}{\partial R_{kx}} + \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}[\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial R_{kx}}$$
(3.4)

The first derivative term is zero, since the CPE energy is variationally optimized with respect to the c coefficients.

#### 3.1.1 Dependence on $q_a$

The second term can be divided into two factors. The first factor can be calculated as described in the previous section (it is the same term as found in the Hamiltonian-shift.) - i.e. the derivatives with respect to the Mulliken populations. In the CPE charge-independent case:

$$\frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} \left[ \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c} \right]}{\partial q_a} = \left[ \mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \mathbf{M} \right]_a \tag{3.5}$$

And in the CPE charge-dependent case:

$$\frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}\left[\mathbf{q},\mathbf{c}\right]}{\partial q_{a}} = \mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial q_{a}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{q} + \left[\mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \mathbf{M}\right]_{a} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}^{T} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}}{\partial q_{a}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{c}.$$
(3.6)

The second factor can be calculated for  $a \neq k$  by:[4]

$$\frac{\partial q_{a\neq k}}{\partial R_{kx}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_i \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{\nu \in k} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} \frac{\partial S_{\mu \nu}}{\partial R_{kx}}$$
(3.7)

or for a = k:

$$\frac{\partial q_k}{\partial R_{kx}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_i \sum_{\mu \in k} \sum_{\nu \notin k} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} \frac{\partial S_{\mu \nu}}{\partial R_{kx}}$$
(3.8)

This term must be calculated in the DFTB2 gradient code, where the derivative of the overlap matrix is already being calculated.

#### 3.1.2 (Explicit) dependence on $R_{kx}$

The derivative with respect to  $R_{kx}$  is written via the matrix derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}\left[\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}\right]}{\partial R_{kx}} = \mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial R_{kx}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{q} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}^{T} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}}{\partial R_{kx}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{c}. \tag{3.9}$$

#### 4. DFTB2 electric field contribution

The energy in an electric field  $\vec{F}$  is given by the interaction of the field with the partial charges:

$$E_{\text{EF/dftb2}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu\nu}^{0} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} \Delta q_{a} \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}} - \sum_{a} \Delta Q_{a} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{a}$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu\nu}^{0} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} \Delta q_{a} \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}}$$

$$+ \sum_{a} q_{a} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{a} - \sum_{a} q_{a}^{0} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{a}$$

$$(4.1)$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{EF/dftb2}}$$

where  $q_a$  are the Mulliken populations,  $\Delta Q_a$  are the partial Mulliken charges, and  $q_a^0$  are the charges of the nuclei. Before deriving the Hamiltonian we note the following relation:

$$\frac{\partial \Delta E_{\text{EF/dftb2}}}{\partial q_a} = \frac{\partial}{\partial q_a} \sum_{a'} q_{a'} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{a'} = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_a$$
(4.3)

Combining the above with Eq. A4, the corresponding Hamiltonian element to be added to the DFTB2 Hamiltonian element is given by:

$$\begin{split} \Delta H_{\mu\nu}^{(\mathrm{EF/dftb2})} & \equiv \frac{\partial \Delta E_{\mathrm{EF/dftb2}}}{\partial \rho_{\mu\nu}} \\ & = \sum_{a} \frac{\partial \Delta E_{\mathrm{EF/dftb2}}}{\partial q_{a}} \frac{\partial q_{a}}{\partial \rho_{\mu\nu}} \\ & = \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \left( \vec{r_{a}} + \vec{r_{b}} \right) \cdot \vec{F} \qquad \mu \in a, \nu \in b \end{split} \tag{4.4}$$

So the matrix elements of the DFTB2 Hamiltonian matrix in the presence of an electric field are:

$$H_{\mu\nu} = H_{\mu\nu}^{0} + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \sum_{c} (\gamma_{ac} + \gamma_{bc}) \Delta q_{c} + \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} (\vec{r}_{a} + \vec{r}_{b}) \cdot \vec{F} \qquad \mu \in a, \nu \in b$$
 (4.5)

The DFTB2 energy in an electric field has the following orbital energies:

$$\sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu \nu}$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} \left( H_{\mu \nu}^{(\text{dftb2})} + \Delta H_{\mu \nu}^{(\text{EF/dftb2})} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu \nu}^{0} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \sum_{c} (\gamma_{ac} + \gamma_{bc}) \Delta q_{c}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} (\vec{r}_{a} + \vec{r}_{b}) \cdot \vec{F} \tag{4.6}$$

Isolating  $H_0$  in the above and inserting into Eq. 4.2 the DFTB2 energy in the presence of an external field is written in terms of the orbital energies:

$$E_{\text{EF/dftb2}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} \sum_{c} (\gamma_{ac} + \gamma_{bc}) \Delta q_{c}$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{a} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu} (\vec{r}_{a} + \vec{r}_{b}) \cdot \vec{F} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}} + \sum_{a} q_{a} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{a}$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} (q_{a} + q_{a}^{0}) \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}} - \sum_{a} q_{a}^{0} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{a}$$

$$(4.7)$$

So only the nuclear charge term has to be added to the energy expressed in terms of the orbital energies.

#### 4.1 DFTB2 dipole moment

The dipole moment of a molecule is given by the DFTB2 Mulliken partial charges.

$$\vec{\mu}^{(dftb2)} = \sum_{a} \Delta Q_a \ \vec{r}_a = \sum_{a} q_a^0 \ \vec{r}_a - \sum_{a} q_a \ \vec{r}_a$$
 (4.8)

## 5. DFTB2/CPE electric field contribution

The CPE-dipole functions interact directly with an external electric field and enter the energy CPE energy as:

$$E_{\text{EF/cpe}} = \mathbf{c}^T \cdot (\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{f}) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{c}^T \cdot \mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{c}, \tag{5.1}$$

where  $\mathbf{f}$  is a 3N vector containing N repeats of the components of the electric field. In the electric field, the variational analytical solution of the coefficients becomes:

$$\mathbf{c} = -\mathbf{N}^{-1} \cdot (\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{f}) \tag{5.2}$$

The DFTB2/CPE energy in the electric field is simply:

$$E_{\text{EF/dftb2/cpe}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_i \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} H_{\mu\nu}^0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} \Delta q_a \Delta q_b \gamma_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}} - \sum_{a} \Delta Q_a \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_a + E_{\text{EF/cpe}}$$
 (5.3)

Since no additional terms from the CPE basis/electric field interaction enter the Hamiltonian matrix (since this interaction does not depend on  $\mathbf{q}$ ), we can write the DFTB2/CPE energy in the presence of an external field in terms of the orbital energies as:

$$E_{\text{EF/dftb2/cpe}} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \varepsilon_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} (q_{a} + q_{a}^{0}) \Delta q_{b} \gamma_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} V_{ab}^{\text{rep}} - \sum_{a} \Delta Q_{a} \vec{F} \cdot \vec{r}_{a}$$
$$- \sum_{a} \frac{\partial E_{\text{EF/cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_{a}} q_{a} + E_{\text{EF/cpe}}$$
(5.4)

Again,  $q_a$  is a Mulliken population and  $\Delta Q_a$  is the partial Mulliken charge.

#### 5.1 DFTB2/CPE dipole moment

We define  $\vec{\mu}_a^{(\text{cpe})}$  as the total dipole due to the CPE-basis functions centered on atom a. This is given by the coefficients to the same functions:

 $\vec{\mu}_a^{\text{(cpe)}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{ax} \\ c_{ay} \\ c_{az} \end{bmatrix} \tag{5.5}$ 

where  $c_{ax}$  is the coefficient of the dipole function centered on atom a in the x-direction, and so on. The total dipole-moment of the molecule in the DFTB2/CPE description is now:

$$\vec{\mu}^{(\text{dftb2/cpe})} = \sum_{a} \Delta Q_a \ \vec{r}_a + \sum_{a} \vec{\mu}_a^{(\text{cpe})}$$
(5.6)

## 6. DFTB2 and DFTB2/CPE polarizability

The elements of the polarizability tensor is calculated as:

$$\alpha_{ij} = \left(\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial F_j}\right)_{\vec{F}=0} = -\left(\frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial F_i \partial F_j}\right)_{\vec{F}=0} \tag{6.1}$$

where i and j are the x, y, z Cartesian components and  $\mu_i$  is the i-component of the DFTB2 or DFTB2/CPE dipole moment. The partial derivatives are calculated numerically by means of the two-point, forward-backtrack finite differences method, e.g.:

$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{\mu_i (F_j + h) - \mu_i (F_j - h)}{2h}$$
(6.2)

The isotropic polarizability used in the fitting routine is calculated as:

$$\alpha_{\rm iso} = \frac{1}{3} \left( \alpha_{xx} + \alpha_{yy} + \alpha_{zz} \right) \tag{6.3}$$

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## **Appendices**

## A Hamiltonian shifts

#### A1 Mulliken population

First we define the density matrix is defined in terms of the coefficient matrix:

$$\rho_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_i C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} \tag{A1}$$

We can then define the Mulliken population by the density matrix:

$$q_{a} = \sum_{i}^{\text{occ}} n_{i} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} C_{\mu i} C_{\nu i} S_{\mu \nu}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} (\rho_{\mu \nu} + \rho_{\nu \mu}) S_{\mu \nu}$$
(A2)

The charge fluctuation is then:

$$\Delta q_a = q_a - q_a^0 \tag{A3}$$

Using these definitions we derive the following relation:

$$\frac{\partial q_a}{\partial \rho_{\mu\nu}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho_{\mu\nu}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu \in a} \sum_{b} \sum_{\nu \in b} (\rho_{\mu\nu} + \rho_{\nu\mu}) S_{\mu\nu} \right] = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} & \mu \in a \\ \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} & \nu \in a \\ S_{\mu\nu} & \mu \in a \text{ and } \nu \in a \end{cases}$$
(A4)

Note that the *Mulliken population* is always a positive number, and the *Mulliken charge* is the negative of the Mulliken population.

#### A2 CPE Hamiltonian shift

Using the relation from section A1, the CPE Hamiltonian shift is calculated using the chain rule:

$$\Delta H_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{cpe})} = \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial \rho_{\mu\nu}}$$
(A5)

$$= \sum_{i} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}[\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial c_{i}} \frac{\partial c_{i}}{\partial \rho_{\mu\nu}} + \sum_{a} \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}[\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_{a}} \frac{\partial q_{a}}{\partial \rho_{\mu\nu}}$$
(A6)

$$= \frac{1}{2} S_{\mu\nu} \left( \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_a} + \frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}} [\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}]}{\partial q_b} \right) \qquad \mu \in a, \nu \in b$$
 (A7)

Note that the last derivative is taken with respect to the Mulliken population. In Giese and York (2012) the negative sign is adopted.

The CPE energy has no parametric dependence on the density, but depends implicitly via the charges and coefficients. The first term is zero due to the CPE energy being variationally minimized with respect to the coefficients. The first part of the second term is in the CPE charge-independent case:

$$\frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}\left[\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{c}\right]}{\partial a_a} = \left[\mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \mathbf{M}\right]_a \tag{A8}$$

In the CPE charge-dependent case:

$$\frac{\partial E_{\text{cpe}}\left[\mathbf{q},\mathbf{c}\right]}{\partial q_{a}} = \mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{M}}{\partial q_{a}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{q} + \left[\mathbf{c}^{\mathbf{T}} \cdot \mathbf{M}\right]_{a} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{c}^{T} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}}{\partial q_{a}}\right) \cdot \mathbf{c}. \tag{A9}$$

See Giese and York (2012) for details.[3]