



Effect of Polarisation Functions on to Errors of Ab-initio Calculations for Ibuprofen

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Abstract

Computational algorithms, which aimed to solve quantum mechanical equations for molecules, usually produces more errors about the bonds which involves Hydrogens, than the others. Actually this fact is more or less expected, due to unique properties of Hydrogen atoms, such as carrying just single electron for making bonds with other atoms.

Computational approaches, unlike the analogue solutions, usually neglect many parameters, under some reasonable assumptions of course, to reduce complexity of quantum systems to some computable ranges. Actually all practical quantum computations can be considered as managing the “neglecting process”, by keeping the balance between reduced complexity and acceptable correctness.

Polarisation is one of those parameters that usually neglected, for quantum molecular computations about molecules.

On the other hand, Hydrogen has a serious capability of being strongly polarised, due to possibility of existence of semi or fully naked protons, when it constructs a bond structure.

Within this point of view, it is needed to analyse the effect of adding polarisation functions, on to calculation errors, especially for hydrogens, by hoping to reduce big calculation errors about them.

Here, we added polarisation functions to optimisation calculations of ibuprofen molecule, to see the effect of polarisation functions to the errors of computed bond lengths. We have compared the results to X-RAY data.

Finally it is concluded that, more polarisation function reduces the calculation errors, but it is not worth to increased computational costs.

Keywords: Ibuprofen, DFT, Polarisation, Optimisation.

Ab-initio Hesaplamalardaki Hatalar Üzerine Polarizasyon Fonksiyonlarının İbuprofen İçin Etkisi

Öz

Moleküller için kuantum mekanik denklemleri çözmeyi hedefleyen hesaplamalı kimya algoritmaları, genellikle Hidrojen atomunun dahil olduğu bağlar için, diğerlerinden daha fazla hata üretir. Bu durum, aslında, hidrojen atomunun, diğer atomlarla bağ yapmak üzere sadece tek bir elektrona sahip olması gibi tekil özellikleri göz önüne alındığında, az çok beklenen bir durumdur.

Kompütasyonel yaklaşımlar, analog çözümlerden farklı olarak, kuantum sistemlerin karmaşıklık düzeyini, hesaplanabilir seviyelere indirgemek için, uygun varsayımlar altında, genellikle bir çok parametreyi ihmal ederler. Aslında nümerik kuantum yaklaşımlarının tamamı, “karmaşıklık azaltma” ve “kabul edilebilir doğruluk seviyesinde kalma” arasındaki dengeyi koruyarak ihmal etme seçeneklerini yönetmek süreci olarak değerlendirilebilir.

Polarizasyon, moleküller için kuantum mekanik hesaplamaları için, bu çerçevede genellikle ihmal edilen bir parametredir. Öte yandan hidrojen atomunun, başka bir atomla bağ yaptığında, yarı ya da tam çıplak bir proton olarak bulunma ihtimali dolayısıyla, ciddi bir polarize olma kapasitesi vardır.

Bu bakış açısıyla, özellikle hidrojen atomunun dahil olduğu bağlarla ilgili büyük hata oranlarını azaltacağı umularak, hesaplamalara daha fazla polarizasyon fonksiyonları eklemenin bütün bağ türleri için hesaplama hataları üzerine etkisinin araştırılmasına ihtiyaç vardır. Bu çalışmada, hesaplanan bağ uzunluklarına ilişkin hatalar üzerindeki etkisini incelemek üzere, ibuprofen molekülünün optimizasyonu için yapılan hesaplamalara fazladan polarizasyon fonksiyonları eklenmiştir. Sonuçlar X-RAY datalarıyla kıyaslanmıştır. Nihayetinde, daha fazla polarizasyon fonksiyonu eklemenin gerçekten de hesaplama hatalarını azalttığı, ancak elde edilen iyileşmenin, sarfedilen hesaplama zamanındaki artışa değecek düzeyde olmadığı yargısına varılmıştır.

Anahtar Kelimeler: Ibuprofen, DFT, Polarizasyon, Optimizasyon.

1. Introduction

Computational methods have become an indispensable tool for contemporary chemistry over last decades, due to significant improvements about calculation abilities of computers. They have become applicable over many application areas, even for proteins and enzymes, those contains thousands of atoms.

Unlike the analogue equation solving methods, numerical algorithms, inevitably includes neglects. It comes from basic necessity of numerical approaches. Polarisation effect is usually neglected in a typical molecular computation.

On the other hand, it is a known fact that, molecular computations, usually produces more errors about the bonds about Hydrogene atoms, than the others (Boese, 2015; Ireta, Neugebauer, & Scheffler, 2004; Rozas, 2007). Particularly within this work, the calculated bond length error for C-C bonds, for instance, falls within the range 2-3% range, but for C-H bonds it is found within 14-16 % range.

If we consider the unique properties of Hydrogene atoms, such as having only a single electron to construct a bond structure, it is understood that, Hydrogene atom has a serious potential to be being polarised. In this case, the major cause of big calculation errors about Hydrogene bonds, might be considered as the polarisation itself. Hence, it is needed to investigate the effect of adding polarisation functions to calculated bond length errors, to check if this is true.

Here, it is studied and reported, the effect of polarisation functions on to the calculated bond length errors, for ibuprofen molecule.

2. Material and Method

The ibuprofen molecule was optimised by using a general ab initio quantum chemistry package GAMESS (the General Atomic and Molecular Electronic Structure System) (Schmidt et al., 1993; Dykstra, Frenking, & Kim, 2011). The DFT (Density Functional Theory) (Hohenberg & Kohn, 1964) was employed for ab-initio calculations of ibuprofen molecule. The hybrid Becke, three-parameter, Lee–Yang–Parr, using coulomb attenuating method (CAM-B3LYP) (Yanai, Tew, & Handy, 2004) was used as exchange correlation functional for DFT calculations. The basis set that used for calculation was the SBKJ (Stevens, Bash, Krauss, Jasien) valence with ECP (Effective Core Potential) (Stevens, Krauss, Basch, & Jasien, 1992). Ibuprofen molecule was optimized several times, by using the same hardware, the same software, the exact same starting configuration, and the same parameter set, except that the added polarisation functions. Ibuprofen was optimised three times; first, with no polarisation function, second, with a polarisation function, third, with three polarisation functions.

3. Results and Discussion

The optimized molecular structure of ibuprofen has given in Figure-1; the calculated molecular electrostatic potential of ibuprofen has given in Figure-2; the calculated total electron density of ibuprofen molecule has given in Figure-3.

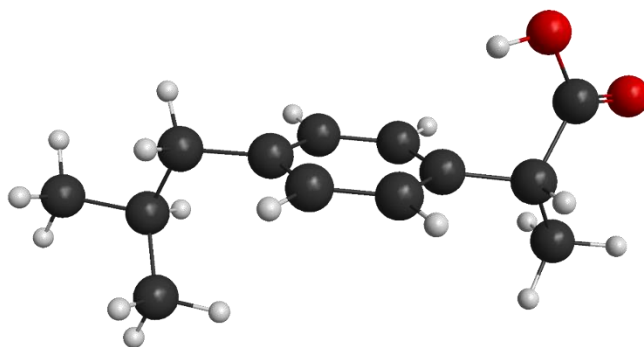


Figure 1 The optimized structure of ibuprofen.

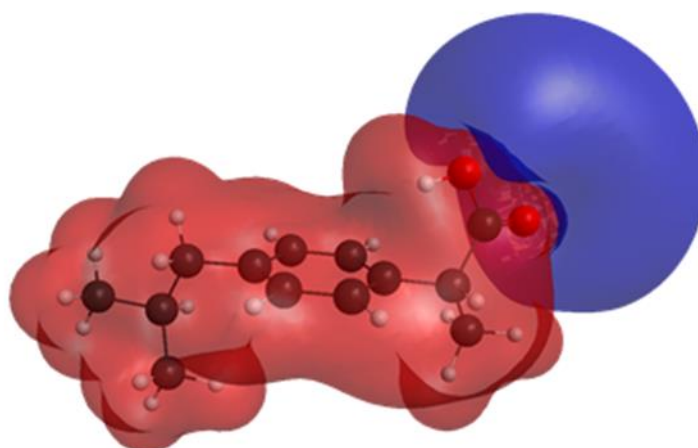


Figure 2 The calculated electrostatic potential of ibuprofen.

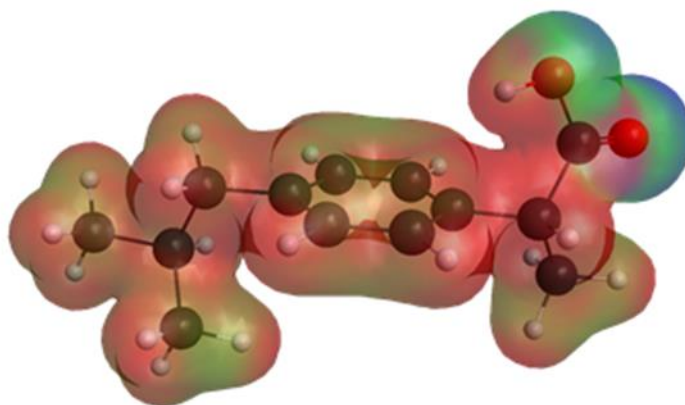


Figure 3 The calculated total elektron density of ibuprofen.

The Lowest Unoccupied Molecular Orbital (LUMO) and the Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital (HOMO) of ibuprofen has given in Figure-4.

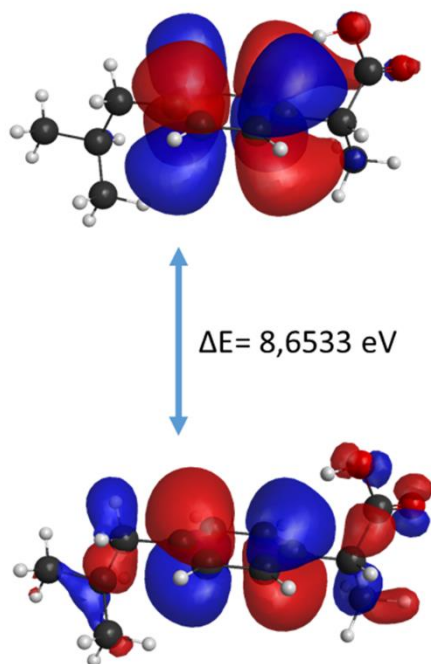


Figure 4 The Lowest Unoccupied Molecular Orbital (LUMO) and the Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital (HOMO) of ibuprofen.

At first stage, ibuprofen had optimized by adding no polarisation function at all, as usually done in typical calculations. The calculated bond lengths and the X-RAY data (Derollez et al., 2010) have given in Table-1. A comparison graphic of the differences between calculated bond lengths and the X-RAY data can be seen in Figure-5.

Atom1	Atom2	Length X-RAY (Å)	Length Calculated (Å) with no polarisation function	Difference [%]
C3	C1	1,510	1,521	0,728
C9	C10	1,380	1,414	2,464
C13	C11	1,510	1,547	2,450
C11	C12	1,490	1,540	3,356
C1	C2	1,550	1,552	0,129
C10	C3	1,380	1,414	2,464
C2	C4	1,520	1,541	1,382
C2	C5	1,530	1,541	0,719
C3	C6	1,380	1,420	2,899
C8	C7	1,380	1,420	2,899
C6	C7	1,380	1,408	2,029
C11	C8	1,480	1,530	3,378
C8	C9	1,380	1,414	2,464
C2	H1	0,983	1,115	13,428
C1	H10	0,950	1,112	17,053
C1	H11	1,010	1,113	10,198
C4	H12	1,010	1,114	10,297
C4	H13	0,980	1,113	13,571
C4	H14	0,980	1,113	13,571
C5	H15	1,120	1,115	-0,446
C5	H16	0,980	1,112	13,469
C5	H17	1,070	1,113	4,019
O2	H18	1,068	0,983	-7,959
C10	H2	0,990	1,106	11,717
C9	H3	1,000	1,107	10,700
C6	H4	0,990	1,107	11,818
C7	H5	0,980	1,107	12,959
C11	H6	1,014	1,113	9,763
C12	H7	1,050	1,112	5,905
C12	H8	0,950	1,110	16,842
C12	H9	0,970	1,111	14,536
C13	O1	1,210	1,215	0,413
C13	O2	1,280	1,365	6,641

Table-1 The calculated bond lengths and the X-RAY data of ibuprofen, with differences.

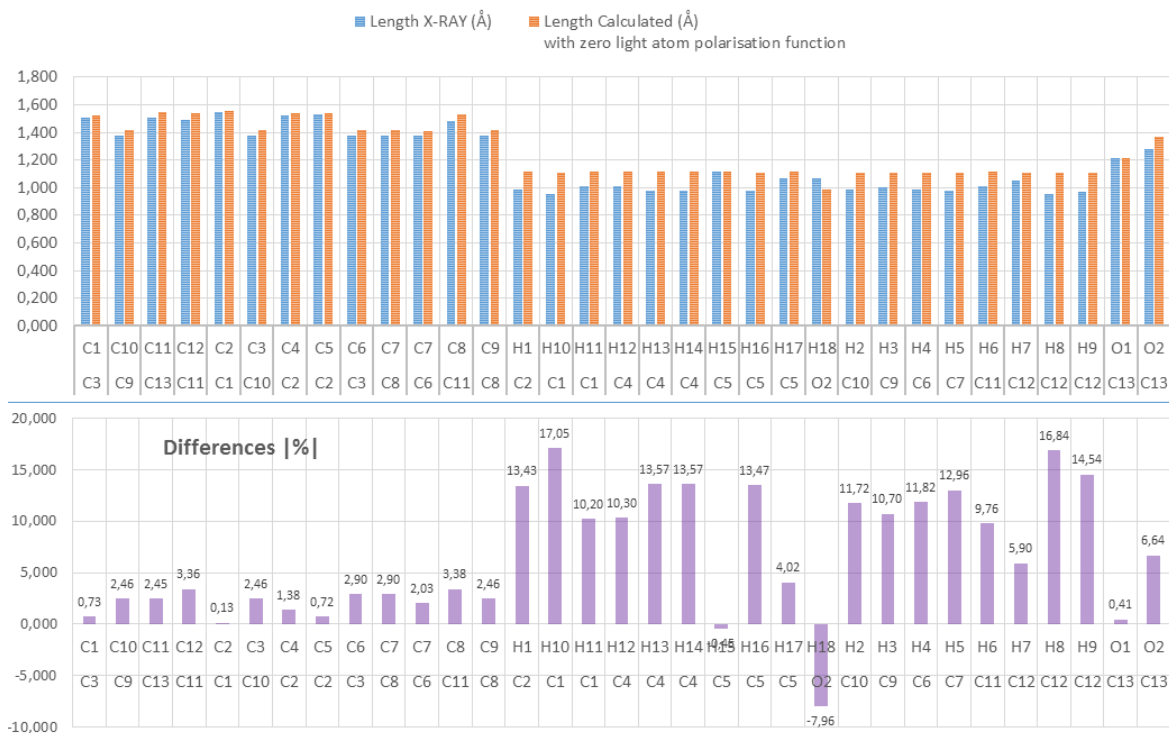


Figure 5 Comparison of the calculated bond lengths and the X-RAY data for ibuprofen.

As it is seen in table-1 and Figure-5, errors for the bonds, which Hydrogen included, are found within within 14-16 % range, while others found within only within 2-3 % range. To see the effect of adding polarisation functions on to errors, we were repeated the optimisation calculation with exactly same starting configuration, also with same hardware, same software, and same parameters. But this time we added a polarisation function. The obtained results with a polarisation function have given in Table-2.

Atom1	Atom2	Length X-RAY (Å)	Length Calculated with no polarisation function (Å)	Difference with no polarisation function [%]	Difference with a polarisation function (%)	Length Calculated with a polarisation function (Å)
C3	C1	1,510	1,521	0,728	0,728	1,521
C9	C10	1,380	1,414	2,464	2,464	1,414
C13	C11	1,510	1,547	2,450	2,450	1,547
C11	C12	1,490	1,540	3,356	3,356	1,540
C1	C2	1,550	1,552	0,129	0,129	1,552
C10	C3	1,380	1,414	2,464	2,464	1,414
C2	C4	1,520	1,541	1,382	1,382	1,541
C2	C5	1,530	1,541	0,719	0,654	1,540
C3	C6	1,380	1,420	2,899	2,899	1,420
C8	C7	1,380	1,420	2,899	2,899	1,420
C6	C7	1,380	1,408	2,029	2,029	1,408
C11	C8	1,480	1,530	3,378	3,311	1,529
C8	C9	1,380	1,414	2,464	2,464	1,414

C2	H1	0,983	1,115	13,428	13,123	1,112
C1	H10	0,950	1,112	17,053	16,842	1,11
C1	H11	1,010	1,113	10,198	9,901	1,11
C4	H12	1,010	1,114	10,297	10,109	1,1121
C4	H13	0,980	1,113	13,571	13,357	1,1109
C4	H14	0,980	1,113	13,571	13,367	1,111
C5	H15	1,120	1,115	-0,446	-0,625	1,113
C5	H16	0,980	1,112	13,469	13,163	1,109
C5	H17	1,070	1,113	4,019	3,364	1,106
O2	H18	1,068	0,983	-7,959	-8,146	0,981
C10	H2	0,990	1,106	11,717	11,515	1,104
C9	H3	1,000	1,107	10,700	10,500	1,105
C6	H4	0,990	1,107	11,818	11,616	1,105
C7	H5	0,980	1,107	12,959	12,755	1,105
C11	H6	1,014	1,113	9,763	9,566	1,111
C12	H7	1,050	1,112	5,905	5,619	1,109
C12	H8	0,950	1,110	16,842	16,526	1,107
C12	H9	0,970	1,111	14,536	14,330	1,109
C13	O1	1,210	1,215	0,413	0,413	1,215
C13	O2	1,280	1,365	6,641	6,484	1,363

Table-2 The calculated bond lengths with no polarisation function, also with one polarisation function and the X-RAY data of ibuprofen, comparatively.

The effect of adding a polarisation function to the calculation can be seen in Figure-6 comparatively.

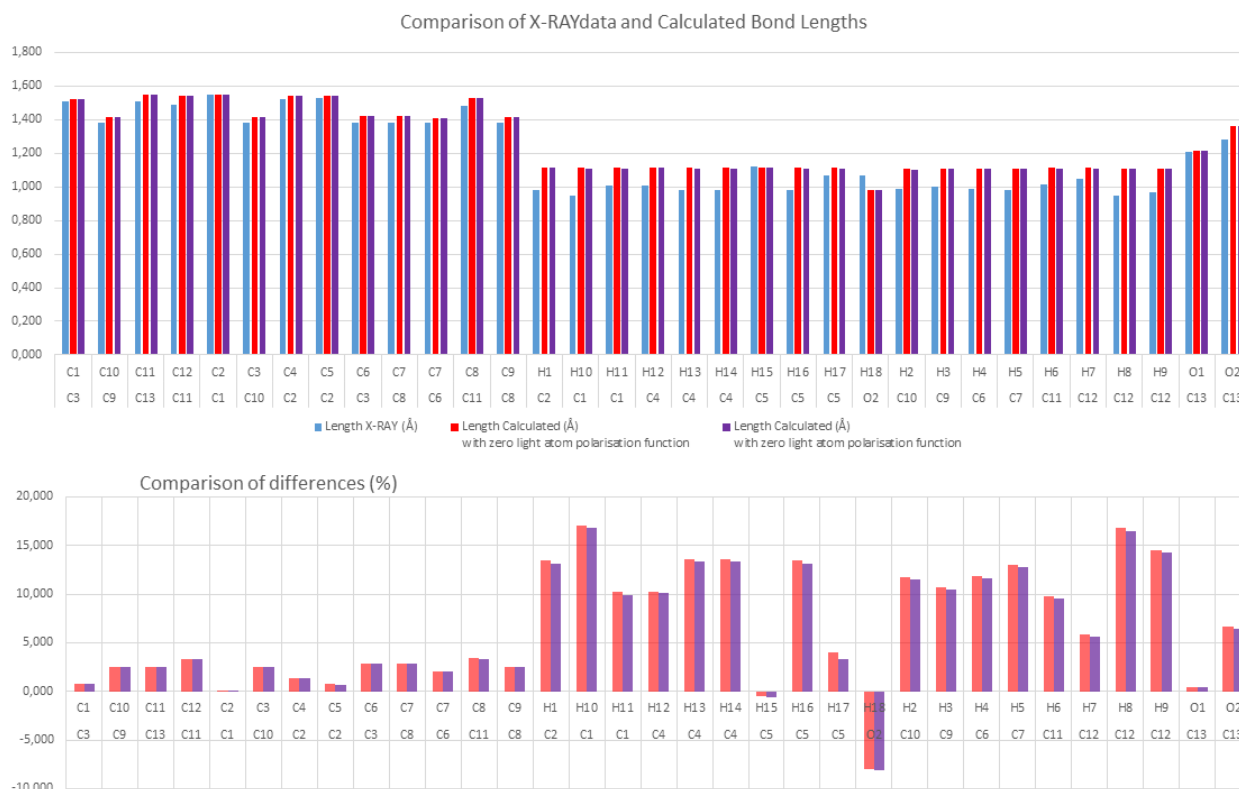


Figure 6 Comparison of the X-RAY data, calculated bond lengths with no polarisation function, and calculated bond lengths with a polarisation function.

The changes of calculation errors after adding a polarisation function have given in Figure-7. As it is obviously seen in Figure-7, the added polarisation function especially effected to Hydrogen bonds, just as desired.

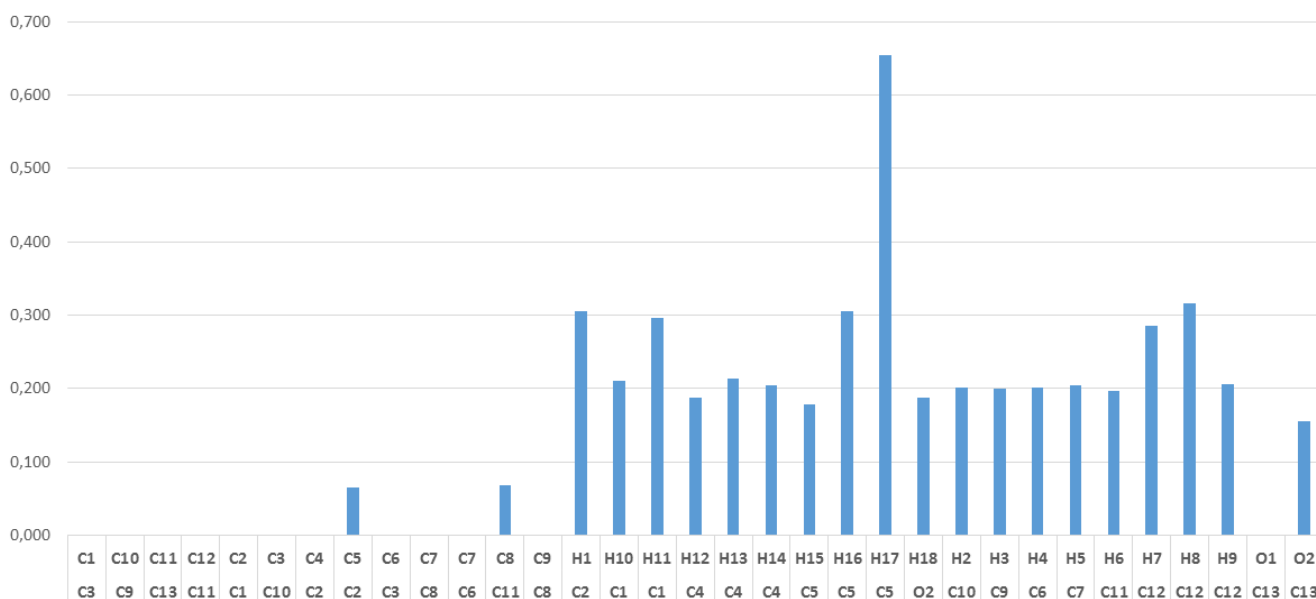


Figure 7 Changes of calculation errors after adding a polarisation function.

As it can be seen in Figure-6 and Figure-7, adding a polarisation function reduced the errors. This decrement has occurred especially for the H bonds, just as we aimed. The other bonds had not been affected by the added polarisation function as much as H bonds did. This is what we have expected. Hence, this might be considered a clue for the truthness of our assumption, about the origin of the big calculation errors about hydrogens. However, although the the results have pointed out that we are on the right way, the strength of actual decrease of the errors have found far below the expectations.

To get more decrement about calculation errors of H bonds, 3 polarisation functions were added to the calculations, instead of just one. The obtained results have given in Table-3.

Atom1	Atom2	Length X-RAY (Å)	Length Calculated with no polarisation function (Å)	Difference with no polarisation function [%]	Length Calculated with a polarisation function (Å)	Difference with a polarisation function (%)	Length Calculated with athree polarisation functions (Å)	Difference with three polarisation functions (%)
C3	C1	1,510	1,521	0,728	1,521	0,728	1,518	0,530
C9	C10	1,380	1,414	2,464	1,414	2,464	1,412	2,319
C13	C11	1,510	1,547	2,450	1,547	2,450	1,548	2,517
C11	C12	1,490	1,540	3,356	1,540	3,356	1,539	3,289
C1	C2	1,550	1,552	0,129	1,552	0,129	1,55	0,000
C10	C3	1,380	1,414	2,464	1,414	2,464	1,411	2,246
C2	C4	1,520	1,541	1,382	1,541	1,382	1,538	1,184
C2	C5	1,530	1,541	0,719	1,540	0,654	1,538	0,523
C3	C6	1,380	1,420	2,899	1,420	2,899	1,417	2,681
C8	C7	1,380	1,420	2,899	1,420	2,899	1,416	2,609
C6	C7	1,380	1,408	2,029	1,408	2,029	1,406	1,884
C11	C8	1,480	1,530	3,378	1,529	3,311	1,526	3,108
C8	C9	1,380	1,414	2,464	1,414	2,464	1,41	2,174
C2	H1	0,983	1,115	13,428	1,112	13,123	1,113	13,225

C1	H10	0,950	1,112	17,053	1,11	16,842	1,109	16,737
C1	H11	1,010	1,113	10,198	1,11	9,901	1,109	9,802
C4	H12	1,010	1,114	10,297	1,1121	10,109	1,111	10,000
C4	H13	0,980	1,113	13,571	1,1109	13,357	1,109	13,163
C4	H14	0,980	1,113	13,571	1,111	13,367	1,109	13,163
C5	H15	1,120	1,115	-0,446	1,113	-0,625	1,112	-0,714
C5	H16	0,980	1,112	13,469	1,109	13,163	1,108	13,061
C5	H17	1,070	1,113	4,019	1,106	3,364	1,109	3,645
O2	H18	1,068	0,983	-7,959	0,981	-8,146	0,981	-8,146
C10	H2	0,990	1,106	11,717	1,104	11,515	1,1	11,111
C9	H3	1,000	1,107	10,700	1,105	10,500	1,102	10,200
C6	H4	0,990	1,107	11,818	1,105	11,616	1,101	11,212
C7	H5	0,980	1,107	12,959	1,105	12,755	1,1	12,245
C11	H6	1,014	1,113	9,763	1,111	9,566	1,111	9,566
C12	H7	1,050	1,112	5,905	1,109	5,619	1,108	5,524
C12	H8	0,950	1,110	16,842	1,107	16,526	1,106	16,421
C12	H9	0,970	1,111	14,536	1,109	14,330	1,108	14,227
C13	O1	1,210	1,215	0,413	1,215	0,413	1,216	0,496
C13	O2	1,280	1,365	6,641	1,363	6,484	1,36	6,250

Table-3 The calculated bond lengths with no polarisation function, with a polarisation function, with three polarisation functions and the X-RAY data of ibuprofen, comparatively.

The effect of adding three polarisation functions to the calculation can be seen in Figure-8 comparatively.

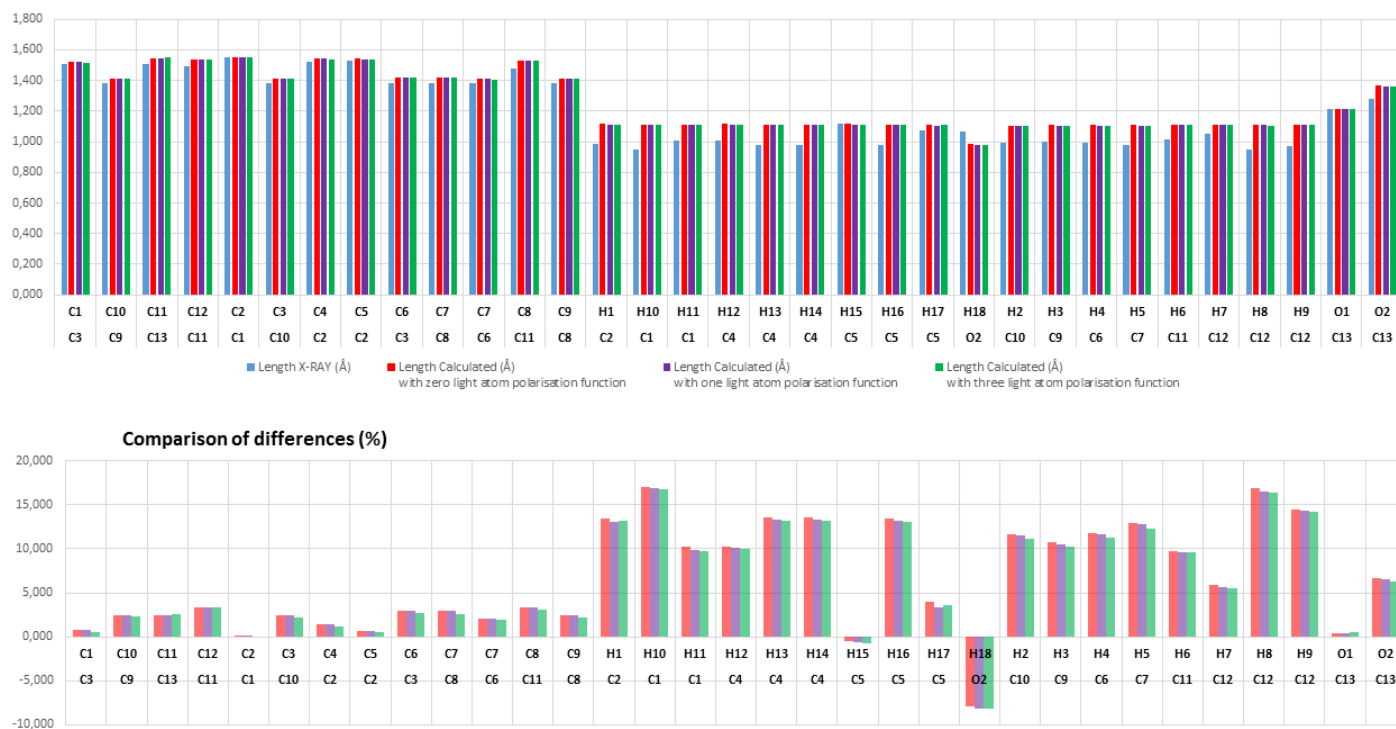


Figure 8 Comparison of the X-RAY data, the calculated bond lengths with no polarisation function, the calculated bond lengths with a polarisation function, and the calculated bond lengths with three polarisation functions.

As it is seen in Figure-8, adding three polarisation functions hasn't changed the calculated bond profile much. Adding two more polarisation functions has changed error rates just a little bit, sometimes even it has increased the error rate itself.

On the other hand, adding more polarisation functions to calculations has some computational costs, as it is seen in Table-4.

	Number of polarisation functions = 0	Number of polarisation functions = 1	Number of polarisation functions = 3
TOTAL NUMBER OF BASIS SET SHELLS	81	99	135
NUMBER OF CARTESIAN GAUSSIAN BASIS FUNCTIONS	246	300	408

Table-4 Total number of basis set shells and number of Cartesian Gaussian basis functions for each calculation case.

As it is seen in Table-4, computational cost of calculations increased too much, according to the benefits of this cost in terms of decreasing calculation errors.

4. Conclusions and Recommendations

Although it actually reduces the Hydrogene bond errors, it is not recommended to use "more polarisation functions", in order to minimise computational errors about these bonds. Because, using more polarisation functions, increases the computational cost, but this cost is not worth to outcome; a major increment in computational cost, gives only a fractional improvement about eliminating H bond errors.

Also, it is proved that, the polarisation effect of hydrogen atoms is not the main reason of the relatively big calculation errors about bonds of hydrogen atoms.

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