

**Dataset of noncovalent intermolecular interaction energy curves for 24 small high-spin open-shell dimers**

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We introduce a dataset of 24 interaction energy curves of open-shell noncovalent dimers, referred to as the O24x5 dataset. The dataset consists of high-spin dimers up to eleven atoms selected to assure diversity with respect to interactions types: dispersion, electrostatics and induction. The benchmark interaction energies are obtained at the restricted open-shell CCSD(T) level of theory with complete basis set extrapolation (aug-cc-pVQZ → aug-cc-pV5Z). We have analyzed the performance of selected wave function methods: MP2, CCSD, CCSD(T), as well as the F12a and F12b variants of coupled-cluster theory. In addition, we have tested dispersion-corrected DFT methods based on the PBE exchange-correlation model. The O24x5 dataset is a challenge to approximate methods due to the wide range of the interaction energy strengths it spans. For the dispersion-dominated and mixed-type subsets any tested method that does not include the triples contribution yields errors on the order of tens of percent. The electrostatic subset is less demanding with errors that are typically an order of magnitude smaller than the mixed and dispersion-dominated subsets.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Noncovalent interactions involving open-shell atoms, molecules and ions are of great importance in chemistry.<sup>1</sup> One of the most prominent examples include chemical reactions in which molecules experience the bond breaking and fragmentation into radicals. The spectroscopy of radicals is a basic tool of astrophysics.<sup>2</sup> Similarly, the information about interactions of open-shell molecules in the atmosphere, in particular of the molecular oxygen, is needed for modelling spectral line shapes or collision-induced absorption that are used for remote sensing of atmospheric gases.<sup>3</sup> Open-shell species are also relevant for the cold matter community, as it is now possible to accurately measure the collision properties, such as resonance positions.<sup>4,5</sup> Ab initio calculations of these properties are used to design experiments in which molecules are cooled by collisions with ultracold atomic gas.<sup>6–8</sup> Finally, there is a considerable interest in interactions of large open-shell organic compounds<sup>9</sup> which might be useful for materials science.<sup>10,11</sup>

While there exists demand for low-cost methods applicable to open-shell noncovalent complexes, no systematic dataset has been established to test these methods. Such dataset is necessary to benchmark low-cost approaches before their use in large systems, where applying high-level wave-function approximations in the basis set limit is no longer feasible.

The protocol of testing the performance of quantum chemistry methods for noncovalent systems has changed quite dramatically over the past fifteen years. In particular, a detailed statistical analysis of big, properly balanced, and diverse benchmark data sets of noncovalently bound complexes has been established as a standard tool.<sup>12,13</sup> In addition to the equilibrium geometries corresponding to van der Waals minima, these sets now typically include geometries at large intermonomer separation and at distances shorter than the van der Waals minimum. Examples of datasets featuring radial diversity are the NBC10<sup>14,15</sup> database of Sherrill and co-workers, an extension of the S22<sup>16–18</sup> dataset known as S22x5,<sup>19</sup> or the dataset of Ref. 20. There exist sets which also probe the angular dependence, widely-known examples being the S66x8 dataset of Řezáč et al.<sup>21</sup> and the database of Smith et al.<sup>22</sup> which also featured reparametrization of the DFT-D3 model.

There exists no open-shell equivalent of the well-established closed-shell noncovalent datasets.<sup>13</sup> However, several specific-purpose datasets have been reported. Steinmann and Corminboeuf<sup>9</sup> designed one of the first such sets, Orel26rad, for organic radicals and radical

cations. Another open-shell set was introduced by Tentscher and Arey,<sup>23,24</sup> Alday et al.<sup>25</sup> composed a small set containing H<sub>2</sub>S-X (X= F, Cl, Br, OH) complexes. To test the performance of open-shell MP2 and MP3 methods, Soydas and Bozkaya<sup>26</sup> composed a set of 23 complexes which included systems from the set of Tentscher and Arey<sup>23</sup> and dimers studied with open-shell variants of the symmetry-adapted perturbation theory (SAPT).<sup>27,28</sup>

In this work we introduce a new open-shell database of 24 dimers, referred to as O24x5. The dimers were chosen to cover a wide range of interaction types and are relevant to atmospheric science, astrochemistry and cold chemistry. The selected dimers contain up to 11 atoms. Each complex is represented by a 5-point radial curve, so that the database consists of 120 data points. We restrict ourselves to high-spin systems to exclude the possibility of covalent bond formation and allow for a single-reference description. We also avoid both spin and spatial degeneracy. Limiting the scope to small single-reference systems warrants the use of restricted open-shell, partially spin-adapted coupled-cluster singles-and-doubles with perturbative triples [RCCSD(T)]<sup>29,30</sup> results extrapolated to the complete basis set (CBS) limit as the high-quality benchmark.

In addition to providing benchmark interaction energies, we test the accuracy of several approximate approaches which can be efficiently applied to larger open-shell systems: CCSD(T)-F12a and CCSD(T)-F12b applied with a triple- $\zeta$  basis set, CCSD, MP2, and dispersion-corrected density functional theory (DFT).

## II. O24x5 DATABASE COMPOSITION

The O24x5 dataset includes small molecular systems consisting of light atoms. We have reviewed and selected systems relevant in both experimental and theoretical research:

- dimers containing O<sub>2</sub>, OH, O<sub>2</sub>H, which are important in atmospheric research and appear in the transmission molecular absorption database HITRAN<sup>31</sup>: H<sub>2</sub>O–OH, H<sub>2</sub>O–O<sub>2</sub>H, H<sub>2</sub>O–O<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>–N<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub>;
- systems which were studied due to their importance in astrochemistry: CN–He, NH–He, CN–H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub> from the BASECOL<sup>32</sup> database and H<sub>2</sub>CO–NH<sub>2</sub> studied recently by Barone et al.<sup>33</sup> as a van der Waals precursor of formamide formation;
- systems important in cold chemistry: Na–Li, He\*–He\* in the quintet state, high-

spin NH–NH, Li–NH<sub>3</sub>, Li–O<sub>2</sub> and Na–H<sub>2</sub>O; these dimers include highly polarizable atoms interacting with paramagnetic molecules or molecules with lone electronic pairs;

- open-shell noncovalent systems selected as test cases in several method-development papers: O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub>, CN–Ar and NH–Ar;<sup>26–28,34,35</sup>
- two dimers which include the vinyl radical (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>–CO<sub>2</sub>) that serve as a prototype of  $\pi - \pi$  interactions;
- to represent charged systems we use cation-radical CO<sup>+</sup> interacting with the HF molecule, studied by Soydas and Bozkaya.<sup>26</sup>

Except for Li–O<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>, we use equilibrium geometries from the literature (see Tables I–III). The Li–NH<sub>3</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O–O<sub>2</sub> complexes are represented by two different geometries each. In Li–NH<sub>3</sub> the lithium atom is located on the  $C_{3v}$  axis either on the nitrogen side (deep global minimum), or on the hydrogen side (shallow secondary minimum). For the water-O<sub>2</sub> dimer we include both the global minimum and the saddle point, the latter corresponding to the  $C_{2v}$  geometry. For Li–O<sub>2</sub> the global minimum (T-shape geometry) was found using the RCCSD(T) method and the aug-cc-pVQZ basis set with midbond functions. For the C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub> dimer we selected the geometry in which the symmetry planes ( $C_s$ ) of both molecules are parallel and double bonds are aligned. The minimum energy geometry for this configuration was optimized at the RCCSD(T) level of theory with the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set with midbond functions. Note that the vinyl radical in C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub> is not in the equilibrium geometry. Finally, it should be mentioned that the H<sub>2</sub>O–OH dimer is kept in the  $C_s$  symmetry (OH lies in the symmetry plane of the water molecule, see Table II). In this configuration the orbital degeneracy of the OH molecule is lifted and the corresponding states of the dimer are decoupled, as they can be assigned either to the  $A'$  or to  $A''$  symmetry (the latter is lower in energy).

For each complex we consider the separations of 0.9, 1.0, 1.2, 1.5 and 2.0 times the equilibrium distance ( $R_{\text{eq}}$ ) between the centers of masses of the monomers.

The molecule-molecule systems at  $R = 2R_{\text{eq}}$  can be classified according to the dominant multipole-multipole contributions to the electrostatic interaction energy:

- strong ion-dipole attraction: HF–CO<sup>+</sup>;

- dipole-dipole attraction:  $\text{NH}-\text{NH}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{OH}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2\text{H}$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{O}-\text{NH}_2$ ;
- dipole-quadrupole or quadrupole-quadrupole repulsion:  $\text{CN}-\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{O}_2-\text{N}_2$ ,  $\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ , and saddle-point  $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$ ; in these cases strong cancellation between first- and second-order interaction energy components occurs; in particular, for both  $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  the net interaction energy is sensitive to the intramonomer correlation;
- dipole-quadrupole or quadrupole-quadrupole attraction:  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$  in the global minimum and  $\text{O}_2-\text{H}_2$ .

The systems of the O24x5 database were chosen to cover the ternary diagram<sup>36,37</sup> of the interaction energy components as evenly as possible. The classification of systems into dispersion-bound, electrostatic-bound, and mixed dimers was done according to the SAPT interaction energy decomposition. Calculations were performed at equilibrium geometries with the spin-unrestricted SAPT0 method.<sup>27,38</sup> Tables I-III contain the O24x5 systems grouped into dispersion, electrostatic, and mixed subsets.

In Figure 1 we show the data points of the O24x5 database in a ternary diagram of intermolecular interactions. The data points other than van der Waals minima cover the dispersion- and electrostatic-dominated types of interaction. Note that it is practically impossible to cover pure induction-dominated systems having no dispersion, because both of those intermolecular forces depend on the polarizability. (Large induction with no accompanying dispersion is however possible, e.g., in complexes with  $\text{H}^+$  ions.) The data points of the O24x5 dataset probe the ternary diagram to a similar extent as in the well-established closed-shell datasets of a similar size, e.g., the S22+ database<sup>60</sup> analyzed in Ref. 22.

### III. TECHNICAL DETAILS

The following wave function calculations were performed in the MOLPRO<sup>61</sup> package: (i) spin-restricted, partially spin-adapted coupled cluster [referred to as RCCSD(T)], as formulated by Knowles et al.<sup>29,30</sup> (which served as benchmark); (ii) UCCSD/UCCSD(T)<sup>62</sup> [based on ROHF reference, see Section IV A] (iii) explicitly correlated variants of both RCCSD and UCCSD in the F12a and F12b approximations;<sup>63</sup> (iv) both spin-restricted and spin-unrestricted MP2. For three dimers ( $\text{NH}-\text{NH}$ ,  $\text{Li}-\text{O}_2$ , and  $\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$ ) interaction

TABLE I. **Dispersion** subset of the O24x5 dataset.  $S_A$  and  $S_B$  denote spin multiplicity of monomers A and B, respectively.

A–B system	$S_A$	$S_B$	structure	refs.
CN–He	$\frac{1}{2}$	0		39
NH–He	1	0		40,41
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	1	0		this work
O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	1	0		42
NH–Ar	1	0		43
CN–Ar	$\frac{1}{2}$	0		44
O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	1	0		45
H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (sp) <sup>1</sup>	0	1		46
O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	1	1		47

<sup>1</sup> sp — saddle point

energies from the partially spin-adapted coupled-cluster methods (including F12 variants) were corrected for size-consistency (see Section IV A).

The perturbative triples correction in F12 calculations was scaled by the ratio of MP2 correlation energies<sup>63,64</sup> according to the formula:

$$E_{\text{corr}}^{(\text{T}^{**})} = E_{\text{corr}}^{(\text{T})} \times \frac{E_{\text{corr}}^{\text{MP2-F12}}}{E_{\text{corr}}^{\text{MP2}}} \quad (1)$$

To warrant size-consistency, the MP2 scaling factor is computed for the dimer and used in

TABLE II. **Electrostatic** subset of the O24x5 dataset.  $S_A$  and  $S_B$  denote spin multiplicity of monomers A and B, respectively.

A–B system	$S_A$	$S_B$	structure	refs.
NH–NH	1	1		48
CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	0	$\frac{1}{2}$		33
H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	0	$\frac{1}{2}$		49
H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	0	$\frac{1}{2}$		50
H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	0	$\frac{1}{2}$		51
Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (gm) <sup>1</sup>	$\frac{1}{2}$	0		7

<sup>1</sup> gm — global minimum

monomer calculations, which is referred to as the T\*\* approach.<sup>63,64</sup>

The spin-unrestricted DFT calculations based on the PBE,<sup>65</sup> PBE0,<sup>66</sup> and LC-VV10<sup>67</sup> exchange-correlation functionals were carried out with the Q-CHEM<sup>68</sup> package. The Q-CHEM calculations employed a molecular grid composed of 250 radial points and 1454 angular points. Both LC- $\omega$ PBE<sup>69</sup> and LC- $\omega$ PBE-D3<sup>70</sup> results were obtained with the Gaussian<sup>71</sup> program with the UltraFine grid settings. All DFT-D3 calculations employed the default dispersion coefficients for a given exchange-correlation functional. The XDM dispersion correction was calculated with the postg<sup>72,73</sup> program. Spin-unrestricted SAPT0<sup>28,38</sup> results were obtained with the Psi4<sup>74</sup> package, using the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set with midbond functions. Midbond functions in both SAPT0 calculations and geometry optimization were placed at the dimer's geometric center and used the exponents from the hydrogen basis.

All orbital MP2, UMP2, RCCSD and RCCSD(T) wave function calculations used the

TABLE III. Mixed subset of the O24x5 dataset.  $S_A$  and  $S_B$  denote spin multiplicity of monomers A and B, respectively.

A–B system	$S_A$	$S_B$	structure	refs.
Li–O <sub>2</sub>	$\frac{1}{2}$	1		this work
CN–H <sub>2</sub>	$\frac{1}{2}$	0		[52,53]
Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (lm) <sup>1</sup>	$\frac{1}{2}$	0		[7]
H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (gm) <sup>2</sup>	0	1		[46]
Na–Li	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$		[54,55]
CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	0	1		[56]
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	$\frac{1}{2}$	0		[57]
He*–He*	1	1		[58,59]
HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	0	$\frac{1}{2}$		[23]

<sup>1</sup> lm — local minimum

<sup>2</sup> gm — global minimum

complete basis set (CBS) extrapolation formula<sup>75,76</sup>

$$E_{\text{corr,CBS}} = \frac{X^3 E_{\text{corr,X}} - (X-1)^3 E_{\text{corr,X-1}}}{X^3 - (X-1)^3} \quad (2)$$

where  $X$  denotes the cardinal number of the basis set. The extrapolation formula was applied with the correlation consistent aug-cc-pVQZ and aug-cc-pV5Z basis sets<sup>77,78</sup> in all cases, except for the He\*–He\* dimer where the doubly augmented d-aug-cc-pVQZ and d-

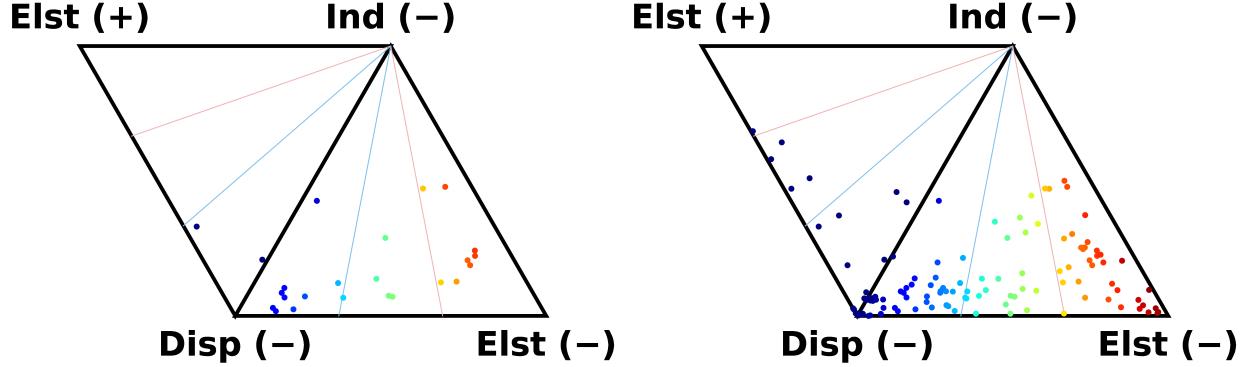


FIG. 1. Ternary diagrams of the O24 data set at  $R = 1.0R_{\text{eq}}$  (left) and of the full O24x5 data set (right). Diagrams color-coded by system type.

aug-cc-pV5Z basis sets<sup>79</sup> were used. No extrapolation was applied to the Hartree-Fock (HF) energy component for which we used the aug-cc-pV5Z values. All reported DFT calculations were performed using the the aug-cc-pVQZ basis (doubly augmented in the case of He\*–He\*) with no CBS extrapolation.

Explicitly correlated CC calculations employed the aug-cc-pVTZ orbital basis and aug-pVTZ-JK<sup>80</sup> and aug-cc-pVTZ-RI<sup>81</sup> auxiliary basis sets for the self-consistent field and correlated components of the computations, respectively. To converge the interaction energy curve of He\*–He\* we used the d-aug-cc-pVQZ orbital basis set accompanied by aug-cc-pV6Z<sup>82</sup> auxiliary basis sets.

All supermolecular interaction energies were corrected for the basis set superposition error (BSSE) with the counterpoise correction of Boys and Bernadi.<sup>83</sup>

As the error measure we used the capped unsigned relative error (CURE) and its mean value (MCURE), both introduced in Ref. 22

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CURE}_i &= \frac{|E_{\text{int},i} - E_{\text{int},i}^{\text{ref}}|}{E_{\text{weight},i}} \cdot 100\%, \\ E_{\text{weight},i} &= \max \left\{ |E_{\text{int},i}^{\text{ref}}|, \xi |E_{\text{int},i}^{\text{ref,eq}}| \left( \frac{R_i^{\text{eq}}}{R_i} \right)^3 \right\} \\ \text{MCURE} &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N \text{CURE}_i \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

with  $\xi = 0.2$ . This error measure avoids the problems related to the interaction energy curves crossing zero.<sup>13</sup> To discuss the role of dispersion corrections in density functional

approximations, we also report signed relative errors defined as

$$\text{SRE}_i = \frac{E_{\text{int},i} - E_{\text{int},i}^{\text{ref}}}{E_{\text{int},i}^{\text{ref}}} \cdot 100\%, \quad (4)$$

## IV. RESULTS

### A. Choice of the benchmark method

For closed-shell systems the CCSD(T) method is widely accepted as the golden standard of quantum chemistry which reproduces noncovalent interactions. To achieve a significant improvement of the interaction energy over CCSD(T) one has to include full triples and contribution from noniterative quadrupoles, i.e., the CCSDT(Q) level of theory, dubbed recently by Kodrycka and Patkowski as the “platinum standard” of intermolecular interaction energy calculations.<sup>84</sup> The cost of post-CCSD(T) corrections is too high for calculations bigger than 10-20 electrons, unless small basis sets are used.<sup>85</sup> Small basis sets, however, are not recommended—as demonstrated by Smith et al.<sup>22</sup> post-CCSD(T) contributions cannot be correctly recovered without adequate diffusion coefficients. Taking into account the prohibitive cost of post-CCSD(T) approaches in adequate basis sets, we choose the CCSD(T) method as the reference for systems of the O24x5 dataset. This level of accuracy is sufficient to provide a well-balanced and comprehensive reference for testing inexpensive quantum chemistry methods.

There are several formulations of the coupled-cluster method for high-spin open-shell systems, which differ in the expectation value of the  $\hat{S}^2$  operator. In this work we use the spin-restricted coupled-cluster variants introduced by Knowles and co-authors,<sup>29,86,87</sup> as implemented in the MOLPRO package. In the RCCSD/RCCSD(T) method, also known as the *partially* spin-adapted (PSA) approach, only the linear term  $(1 + T)\Phi$  of the cluster expansion is spin-adapted ( $\Phi$  denotes the Hartree-Fock wave function). Additionally, we present results of ROHF-CCSD/CCSD(T)<sup>62</sup> calculations. Since the latter method is essentially not spin-adapted and the coupled-cluster wave function is spin-contaminated, we use the UCCSD/UCCSD(T) abbreviation, as is common in the literature. Rigorous spin-adaptation schemes are also possible,<sup>88–90</sup> but have not been explored here.

The spin adaptation procedures for RCCSD(T) method suffer from a minor violation of size-consistency for dimers which dissociate to two open-shell monomers.<sup>48,89</sup> In our dataset

such a behavior is observed for NH–NH, Li–O<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub> dimers. To account for size-inconsistency, we apply uniform shift with respect to infinite separation of the monomers (calculations were performed for the intermonomer separation of 100 Å). The RCCSD values of the shifts in the aug-cc-pV5Z basis set are:  $-1.13\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for NH–NH,  $-0.66\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for Li–O<sub>2</sub>, and  $-2.12\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub>. The corresponding RCCSD(T) shifts amount to  $0.15\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $0.42\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $1.06\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . In Table S1 in the Supplementary Information we gathered the values of the interaction energy shifts for the F12 methods.

The UCCSD approach is size-consistent, but suffers from spin-contamination. Stanton<sup>91</sup> found that this effect is small and the coupled cluster expectation values of the  $\hat{S}^2$  operator are nearly exact. This is true even for molecules such as CN, which exhibit strong spin contamination of the UHF wave function.<sup>29,91–93</sup> We verified that the UCCSD/UCCSD(T) spin contamination is below 0.01 for all systems of the O24x5 dataset (see Table S2 in the supporting materials). (The UHF spin contaminaton is large for the CN and vinyl radicals.)

Among the discussed open-shell coupled-cluster formulations, we select the PSA RCCSD(T) method as benchmark. This approach is by far the most popular choice for accurate potential energy surface calculations. To recapitulate, PSA RCCSD(T) avoids spin contamination, but may suffer from size-inconsistency when applied to interaction between two open-shell monomers. In this work size-inconsistency is addressed by a uniform shift in energy with respect to the dissociation limit. The reference RCCSD(T)/CBS data for the O24x5 dataset are presented in Table IV. Based on a comparison with the RCCSD(T)/CBS+midbond results at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 1.0$ , we estimate the basis-set error in the benchmark on the order of 2% (Figure S1 in the Supplementary Information).

## B. Wave function methods

All correlated wave function methods are quantitatively correct for the interaction energy curves of the electrostatic subset of the O24x5 database. In Figure 2 we present MCUREs of orbital calculations (MP2, UMP2, RCCSD) and explicitly-correlated coupled-cluster calculations [RCCSD-F12a and RCCSD(T\*\*)-F12a]. (See the Supplementary Information for all interaction energies.) The performance of MP2 and RCCSD are comparable, with errors below 5% for the equilibrium distance as well as larger separation between the monomers. The largest deviations from benchmark values occur at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 0.9$  where MCUREs reach

TABLE IV. RCCCSD(T)/CBS benchmark interaction energies in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

type of interaction system		$R/R_{\text{eq}}$			
	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.5	
dispersion	CN-He	4.26	-19.58	-11.24	-2.91
	NH-He	-7.28	-19.69	-10.38	-2.73
	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$	1.78	-34.94	-10.96	2.75
	$\text{O}_2-\text{H}_2$	-16.64	-54.60	-31.11	-8.46
	NH-Ar	-88.71	-98.44	-42.26	-10.30
	CN-Ar	52.69	-110.43	-66.45	-16.57
	$\text{O}_2-\text{N}_2$	-31.62	-113.64	-62.69	-16.71
	$\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2(\text{sp})$	-13.09	-125.01	-59.42	-8.94
	$\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$	-66.46	-134.40	-71.34	-19.24
	NH-NH	-465.81	-697.47	-459.91	-205.70
electrostatic	$\text{CH}_2\text{O}-\text{NH}_2$	-762.53	-1027.31	-731.41	-339.71
	$\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{Na}$	-645.24	-1791.08	-1283.10	-521.59
	$\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{OH}$	-1431.56	-1983.78	-1352.50	-598.20
	$\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2\text{H}$	-2408.67	-2647.19	-1597.02	-678.35
	Li-NH <sub>3</sub> (gm)	-3965.73	-5014.58	-3810.80	-1673.44
	Li-O <sub>2</sub>	-14.70	-36.31	-24.41	-7.19
	CN-H <sub>2</sub>	-16.05	-50.41	-28.51	-7.71
mixed	Li-NH <sub>3</sub> (lm)	-87.23	-103.77	-73.10	-25.73
	$\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2(\text{gm})$	-73.37	-223.22	-126.50	-35.99
	Na-Li	-210.40	-259.27	-188.18	-75.17
	CO <sub>2</sub> -O <sub>2</sub>	-187.20	-266.29	-132.52	-36.14
	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{CO}_2$	-366.42	-658.94	-415.05	-140.79
	He*-He*	-826.91	-1018.90	-790.24	-341.29
	HF-CO <sup>+</sup>	-8922.76	-10324.99	-7656.09	-3703.01

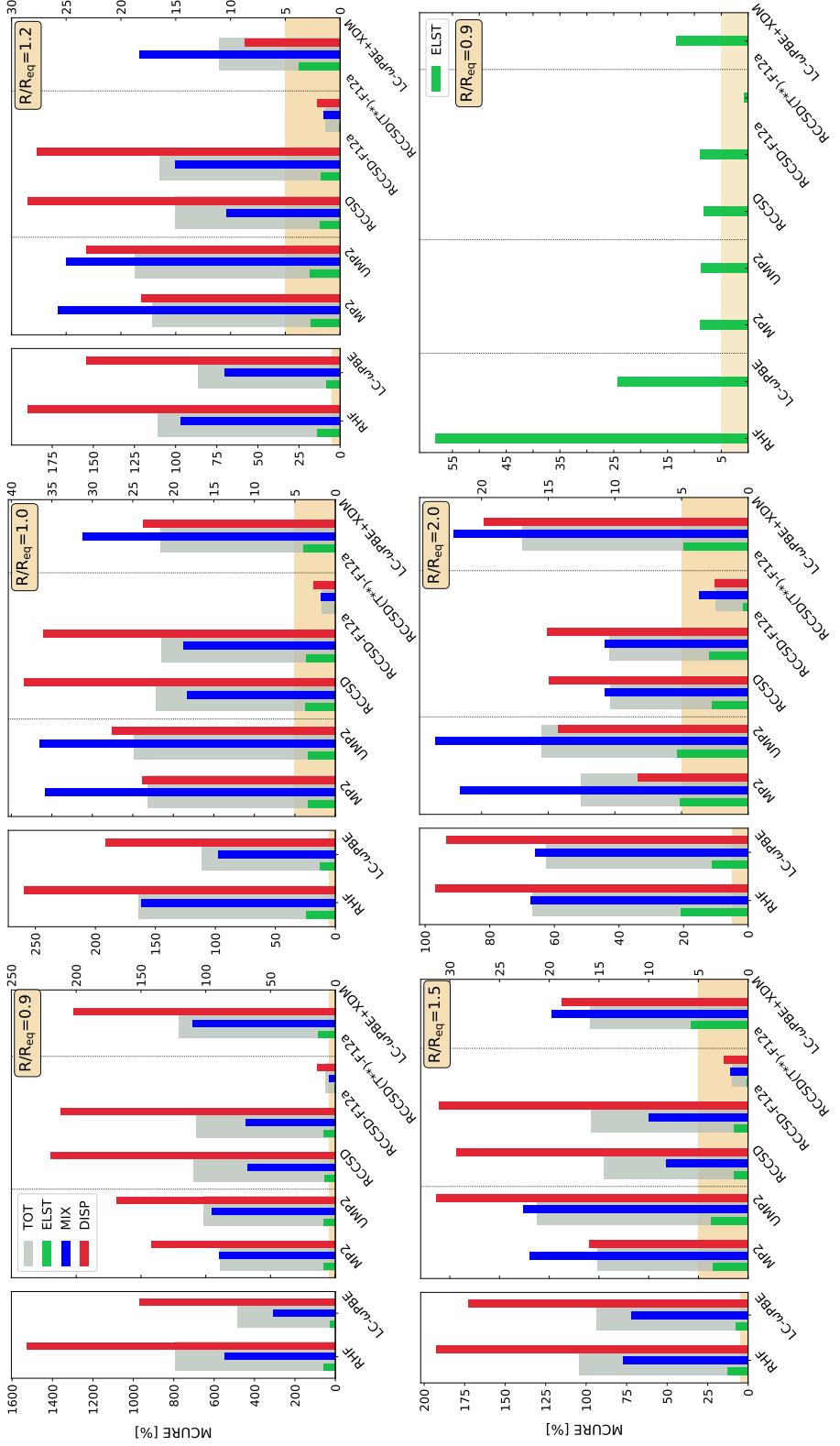


FIG. 2. Mean capped unsigned relative errors (MCUREs). The rightmost bottom panel zooms in on the results for the electrostatic subset at  $R/R_{eq}=0.9$ . Yellow area marks 5% accuracy threshold.

9.0% and 8.3% for MP2 and RCCSD, respectively (see also Table S4 in the supporting materials).

The mixed and dispersion-dominated systems are much more difficult cases as they clearly require the inclusion of connected triples. The errors of MP2, UMP2 and RCCSD methods fall within the 20-36% range for  $R/R_{\text{eq}} > 0.9$ . At  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 0.9$  distance the accuracy is even worse with errors exceeding 200%.

For several systems we observe large discrepancy between MP2 and UMP2 interaction energies. These dimers include HF–CO<sup>+</sup>, CN–H<sub>2</sub>, CN–He, CN–Ar, both O<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O complexes, O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub>–N<sub>2</sub>. The largest deviation from the expected  $S^2$  value occurs for C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> ( $S_{\text{obs}}^2 - S_{\text{exact}}^2 = 0.25$  for both the dimer and the C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub> molecule). In this case the difference between MP2 and UMP2 at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 1$  is particularly pronounced [MCURE(MP2)=77% vs. MCURE(UMP2)=166%]. In all of the mentioned complexes the discrepancy between MP2 and UMP2 increases at shorter intermonomer separations. It should be noted that MP2 and UMP2 results remain in good agreement in the NH-containing dimers (NH–NH, NH–He, and NH–Ar) in spite of sizeable spin contamination diagnostics for the NH molecule.

To estimate the discrepancy between UCCSD(T) and RCCSD(T) we used the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set supplemented with midbonds (see Table S15 in the Supplementary Information). The largest difference between these methods occurs at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 0.9$  and 2.0 for O<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>–N<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, CN–H<sub>2</sub>, CN–Ar, CN–He, and NH–He. At short separations, UCCSD(T) deviates from RCCSD(T) by as much as 20% (H<sub>2</sub>O–O<sub>2</sub> in global minimum). At long-range, the largest difference reaches 4% (CN–H<sub>2</sub>). For the intermediate separations the differences between unrestricted and restricted approaches are on the order of 1% or lower (see Table S16 in the Supplementary Information).

Two dimers composed of highly polarizable monomers, i.e., Na–Li and He<sup>\*</sup>–He<sup>\*</sup>, are outliers at the MP2 level of theory (see Tables S5-S9 in the supplementary materials). Their interaction energies are severely underestimated which we attribute to supermolecular MP2 recovering the dispersion interaction only at the level of noninteracting response functions<sup>94</sup> (uncoupled response). For metals and He in the <sup>3</sup>S state the uncoupled dispersion results in an underestimation of the dispersion energy,<sup>95</sup> which is in contrast with the well-known MP2 overestimation of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking interactions in closed-shell systems.<sup>96</sup> After the uncoupled component is replaced with its coupled counterpart,<sup>97,98</sup> the errors at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 2.0$  decrease

from 64% and 72% to 3% and 2% for Na-Li and He\*-He\*, respectively (see also Table S17 in the Supplementary Information).

The H<sub>2</sub>O–O<sub>2</sub> complex poses a particular challenge for both CCSD and MP2 approaches at  $R/R_{\text{eq}}=1.5$  and 2.0 intermonomer separation. While this system is assigned to the dispersion subset according to the SAPT energy decomposition in the equilibrium, asymptotically it is dominated by the electrostatic interaction. The H<sub>2</sub>O–O<sub>2</sub> dimer is a transition state where the attractive dispersion and repulsive electrostatic components cancel each other and the interaction energy changes sign between  $R/R_{\text{eq}}=1.5$  and  $R/R_{\text{eq}}=2.0$ . The interplay between dispersion and electrostatics is a subtle correlation effect. The beyond Hartree-Fock contribution to the dipole-quadrupole interaction at the CISD level of theory amounts to  $-0.4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  which is roughly half of the interaction energy ( $0.95 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Similar cancellation takes place in the O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub> complex, but to a lesser degree due to the small magnitude of the quadrupole-quadrupole interaction.

The poor performance of MP2 for closed-shell dispersion-dominated complexes may be improved by scaling of the correlation energy spin components.<sup>99–101</sup> We find that this does not work for open-shell system of the O24x5 database. The SCS-MP2 scheme applied with the original scaling factors ( $c_{ss} = 1/3$ ,  $c_{os} = 6/5$ ) yields ca. 2 times larger MCUREs for all types of interactions compared to MP2 (see Tables S5-S9 in the supplementary materials).

The CCSD(T)-F12 methods applied with triple-zeta basis sets are a frequent choice for noncovalent interactions computations.<sup>13,64,84,102,103</sup> The common expectation is that with explicit correlation one gains at least two additional cardinal numbers in terms of the basis set convergence.<sup>104</sup>

Among the subsets of the O24x5 database, RCCSD(T\*\*)-F12a and RCCSD(T\*\*)-F12b perform best for the electrostatic subset where the errors stay below 1% (Table V). For the mixed and dispersion subsets the errors are one order of magnitude larger. We observe that the more approximate RCCSD(T\*\*)-F12a variant applied with the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set outperforms RCCSD(T\*\*)-F12b for all types of interactions. The unrestricted F12 variants give consistently worse results, especially for mixed and dispersion-dominated systems. Complexes for which a sizeable spin contamination coincides with a large deviation between restricted and unrestricted CCSD(T\*\*)-F12 (between 15% and 27% in the minimum, respectively) comprise NH–He, O<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>, CN–H<sub>2</sub> and CN–He. Similar to the MP2 case, the discrepancy is more pronounced as the monomers approach each other. The notable dif-

ference with respect to UMP2 results is the C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> dimer for which the discrepancy between RCCSD(T<sup>\*\*</sup>)-F12 and UCCSD(T<sup>\*\*</sup>)-F12 is negligible.

### C. Density functional methods

It has been recognized in the literature that the two major issues in the DFT description of noncovalent systems are its approximate treatment of the exchange contribution<sup>105</sup> and the lack of an adequate account of long-range correlation.<sup>106</sup> While those problems have been reported for closed-shell systems composed of main-group elements, they affect all types of noncovalent systems.

The DFT exchange artifacts manifest themselves in van der Waals complexes as an artificial binding by a semilocal exchange.<sup>105</sup> In this work, we probe the dependence on the exchange energy by testing a series of exchange functionals while keeping them paired with the same PBE correlation.<sup>65</sup> The exchange functionals we test differ in the way exact exchange is incorporated. They belong to three categories: pure functionals (PBE),<sup>65</sup> global hybrids (PBE0),<sup>66</sup> and long-range corrected hybrids (LC- $\omega$ PBE).<sup>69,107</sup> Although we limit ourselves to PBE, we believe that the conclusions inferred from our data hold for other semilocal models.

DFT dispersion corrections are additional terms added to hybrid and semilocal DFT to account for the long-range dispersion energy. A vast body of numerical evidence demonstrates that dispersion-corrected DFT, DFT+D for short, is useful and reliable for closed-shell systems composed of main-group elements.<sup>108</sup> Yet, little attention has been paid to the DFT description of the dispersion interaction in open shell systems. A notable exception is the work of Thonhauser et al.<sup>109</sup> where the authors consider dispersion energy contributions in concert with spin effects in the adsorption of CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub> in metal-organic frameworks. The method of Ref. 109 is based on a spin-dependent formulation<sup>109</sup> of the nonlocal van der Waals density functional (vdW-DF).<sup>110,111</sup> In our study, we consider another nonlocal density functional which is popular in the chemical community: the Vydrov-Van Voorhis functional, abbreviated as VV10.<sup>112</sup>

Another model of dispersion we consider is the exchange hole dipole moment (XDM) method of Becke and Johnson.<sup>113,114</sup> One should mention that the XDM model has been successfully applied to construct a potential energy surface for the challenging open-shell

TABLE V. Mean capped unsigned relative errors (MCUREs, in percent) for systems of the O24x5 basis set obtained with restricted open-shell and unrestricted explicitly correlated CC approaches in the F12a and F12b variants.

	RCCSD		UCCSD		RCCSD(T**)		UCCSD(T**)	
	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b
<i>R = 0.9 R<sub>eq</sub></i>								
elst	8.92	9.69	8.58	9.35	0.80	1.55	0.83	1.20
mix	69.38	75.48	75.36	82.30	4.98	10.35	23.39	26.13
disp	211	236	206	231	14.20	23.42	52.96	58.26
tot	107	119	109	121	7.39	13.05	28.84	31.95
<i>R = 1.0 R<sub>eq</sub></i>								
elst	3.59	4.09	3.44	3.94	0.09	0.50	0.18	0.41
mix	18.78	20.19	20.36	21.97	1.75	2.57	5.20	5.44
disp	36.05	39.96	35.23	39.16	2.63	2.56	9.29	8.90
tot	21.46	23.58	21.77	23.99	1.66	2.05	5.48	5.48
<i>R = 1.2 R<sub>eq</sub></i>								
elst	1.82	2.14	1.72	2.03	0.10	0.23	0.19	0.20
mix	11.24	11.90	12.10	12.89	1.37	1.62	3.36	3.53
disp	28.09	30.30	27.51	29.73	1.97	1.53	5.92	5.33
tot	15.21	16.36	15.42	16.65	1.28	1.24	3.53	3.37
<i>R = 1.5 R<sub>eq</sub></i>								
elst	1.39	1.52	1.33	1.43	0.12	0.32	0.15	0.29
mix	9.95	10.28	10.18	10.65	1.80	2.01	3.45	3.62
disp	31.11	32.75	30.51	32.16	2.44	3.16	5.89	6.49
tot	15.75	16.52	15.83	16.66	1.62	2.02	3.54	3.86
<i>R = 2.0 R<sub>eq</sub></i>								
elst	2.92	2.93	2.97	2.99	0.39	0.62	0.40	0.58
mix	8.78	9.09	8.59	8.92	3.69	3.78	5.31	5.38
disp	15.06	15.85	14.67	15.46	2.49	2.67	4.17	4.44
tot	9.70	10.13	9.50	9.93	2.41	2.57	3.65	3.83

Ar-NO( $X^2\Pi$ ) dimer<sup>115</sup> using a post-Hartree-Fock scheme of Becke and Johnson.<sup>116</sup>

Finally, DFT-D3 is a method which does not depend on the electron density explicitly but specifies the system via atomic positions and effective coordination numbers of atoms in a molecule.<sup>70</sup> The  $C_6$  coefficients on which D3 is based have been precomputed for both closed shell and open shell hydrides across the periodic table.<sup>70</sup> Nonetheless, the functional-dependent parameters of the damping function have been optimized for closed-shell training sets of dimers, e.g., the S22 dataset.<sup>16,70</sup> Although D3 is now the most popular choice of a DFT+D method, to date it has not been systematically tested against open-shell reference data.

The problem of artificial exchange binding by DFT on the O24x5 dataset is severe. Whether the DFT interaction energies are attractive or repulsive strongly depends on the exchange functional. One expects that a functional not corrected for dispersion underbinds which would make it compatible with a subsequent addition of an attractive dispersion term. However, pure PBE energy without any dispersion correction overestimates the interaction energy of nine systems at their equilibrium bond lengths. In turn, the dispersion-corrected PBE method overestimates almost all interaction energies on the dataset (Figure 3). The addition of a fraction of orbital exchange in PBE0 reduces the attractive character but is far from eliminating it completely. The overbinding persists upon addition of any dispersion correction to PBE0; the only examples of slightly underbound equilibrium dimers are O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O–O<sub>2</sub>(min). The long-range corrected exchange, LC- $\omega$ PBE, is strongly repulsive and, therefore, compatible with dispersion corrections.

We identify the LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM functional as the best dispersion-corrected variant for the equilibrium dimers of the O24x5 database. The corresponding mean absolute error,  $\bar{\Delta}_{\text{abs}}$ , amounts to 21% and the standard deviation,  $\sigma$ , is 23% (see also Figure 3 for a box plot representation of errors). The performance of the remaining dispersion-corrected functionals based on LC- $\omega$ PBE is slightly worse: LC-VV10 ( $\bar{\Delta}_{\text{abs}} = 29\%$ ,  $\sigma = 26\%$ ) and LC- $\omega$ PBE-D3 ( $\bar{\Delta}_{\text{abs}} = 29\%$ ,  $\sigma = 42\%$ ). At long distances, 1.5  $R_{\text{eq}}$  and 2.0  $R_{\text{eq}}$ , the accuracy is largely determined by the quality of the  $C_6$  coefficients in a particular model of dispersion. As evident from Figure 3, D3 performs better than both XDM and VV10 at large separations. The superiority of D3 over the other methods in the long-range region is consistent with what has been reported by Shahbaz and Szalewicz for closed shell dimers.<sup>117</sup>

In Figure 4 we present the percent errors of LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM resolved into a series

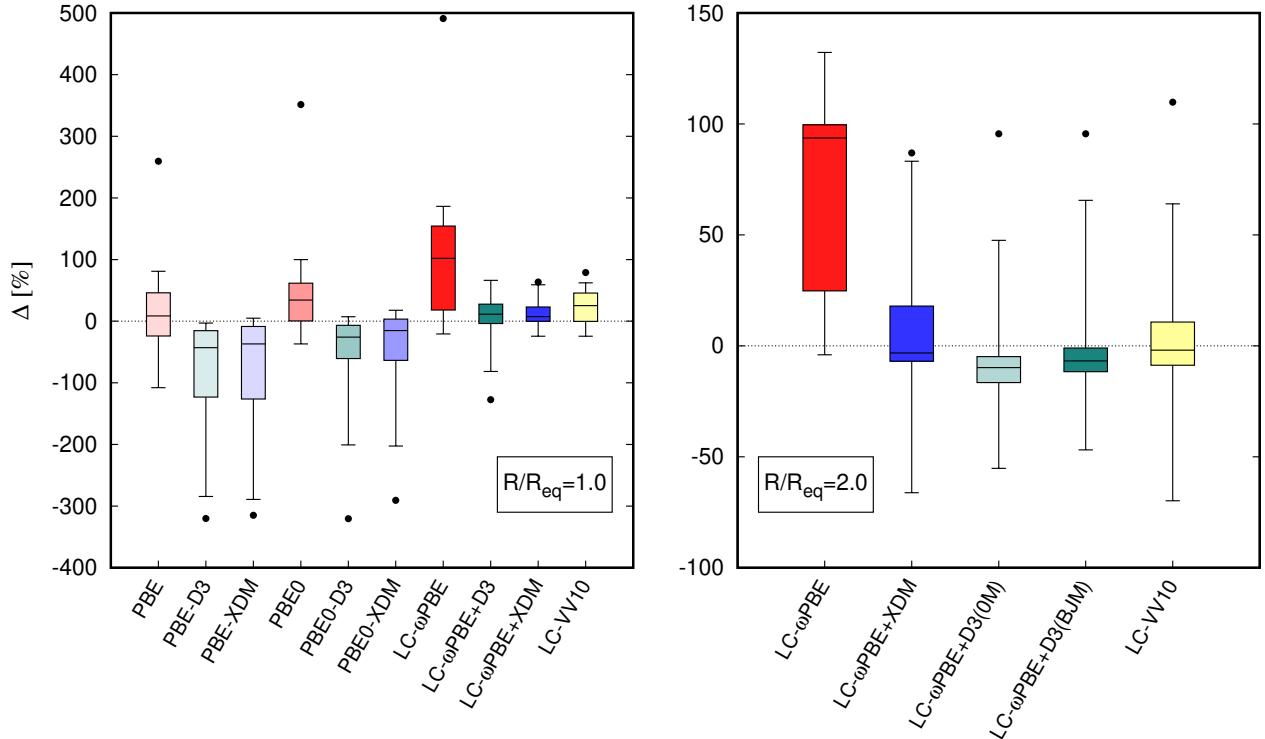


FIG. 3. Box plots of signed relative percent errors (SREs) in the calculated interaction energies for dimers of the O24x5 dataset in the equilibrium geometry ( $R = R_{\text{eq}}$ , left) and at  $R = 2R_{\text{eq}}$  geometry (right). The D3(0M) and D3(BJM) labels denote the revised D3 correction<sup>22</sup> applied either with zero- or Becke-Johnson damping, respectively. Errors are given with respect to the RCCSD(T)/CBS reference. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively.

of distances. At the shortest distance,  $0.9 R_{\text{eq}}$ , the deviation from the RCCSD(T)/CBS benchmark is on the order of 100% for the mixed and dispersion-dominated subsets, which is unacceptable. While it is expected that the accuracy deteriorates at short range, the error here is several times greater than the typical errors for closed shells. For instance, Smith et al. have reported the average errors of 12% at short distances for LC- $\omega$ PBE-D3 on an extensive database of closed-shell dimers.<sup>22</sup> At equilibrium separations, DFT is still inaccurate. Observed errors at short and equilibrium distances suggests their possible origin in the exchange energy and the damping function of the dispersion correction. As noted by Shahbaz and Szalewicz,<sup>117,118</sup> DFT dispersion corrections describe not only the physical contributions but also cancel out the approximate exchange artifacts. It is plausible that this cancellation is less effective for open-shell densities, e.g., because of an insufficient

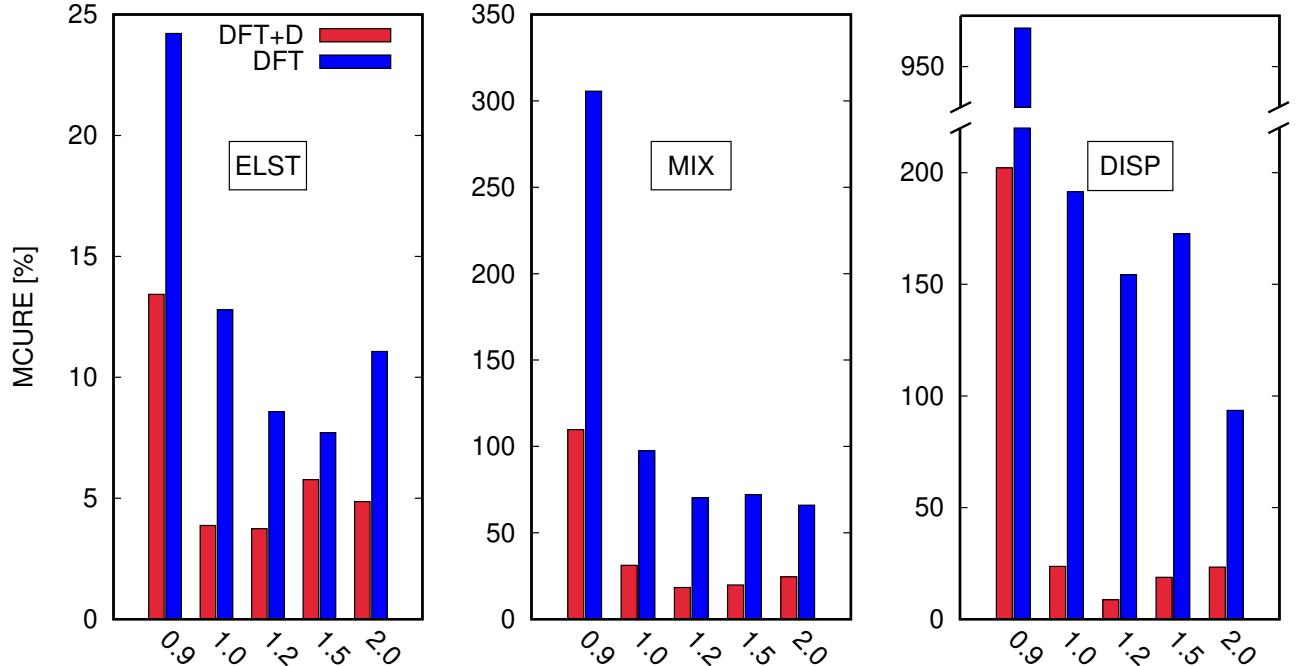


FIG. 4. Mean capped unsigned relative errors (MCUREs, in percent). DFT and DFT+D denote LC- $\omega$ PBE and LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM results, respectively.

parametrization on open-shell data.

We note in passing that it is impossible for a force field-like DFT dispersion correction to account for the exchange-dispersion contribution which couples the open-shell monomers to a specific spin state of a dimer. The importance of that and the remaining limitations remains to be investigated in detail.

## V. CONCLUSIONS

We introduced an interaction energy dataset of 24 open-shell noncovalent dimers. The systems were chosen to assure a good coverage of the ternary diagram, to guarantee diversity with respect to types of interactions: dispersion, electrostatics and induction. Each complex is represented by five data points obtained by a rigid translation of the molecules ( $R/R_{\text{eq}} \in \{0.9, 1.0, 1.2, 1.5, 2.0\}$ ). We limited ourselves to small, high-spin dimers (up to eleven atoms) for which we provide the RCCSD(T)/CBS benchmark. The O24x5 database probes a wide range of interaction energies: from  $-700 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  to  $-4900 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for the electrostatic subset, from  $-35 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  to  $-100 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for the mixed subset (without HF...CO<sup>+</sup>), and from  $-21 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

to  $-140\text{ cm}^{-1}$  for the dispersion dominated systems.

We assessed the accuracy of several approximate wave function methods (MP2, UMP2, RCCSD, UCCSD, UCCSD(T), RCCSD(T $^{**}$ )-F12 and UCCSD(T $^{**}$ )-F12 in F12a and F12b variants) and density functionals based on the PBE exchange-correlation model. The dispersion-dominated and mixed systems proved to be the most challenging complexes. For  $R/R_{\text{eq}} \geq 1.0$  in these subsets the errors of both restricted and unrestricted MP2 and CCSD methods fall in the 20-40% range. The accuracy of the best-performing PBE-based model, LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM, is similar to MP2. Explicitly correlated approaches which include contributions from connected triples in the (T $^{**}$ ) approximation reproduce the RCCSD(T)/CBS benchmark with errors in the 2-5% range for both dispersion and mixed subsets in the augmented triple-zeta basis set. For  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 0.9$  all approximate approaches yield errors roughly one order of magnitude larger compared to the remaining distances.

The errors on the electrostatic subset are typically 5 up to 10 times smaller than for mixed and dispersion-dominated systems. In this subset both MP2 and CCSD wave function methods as well as the LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM dispersion-corrected functional are accurate to within 6% at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} \geq 1.0$  configurations. The RCCSD(T $^{**}$ )-F12 approaches in a triple-zeta basis set afford accuracy better than 1%. The relative errors of the explicitly correlated results at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} \geq 1.0$  amount to 0.1% and 0.5% for the F12a and F12b variants, respectively. Similar to the dispersion and mixed subsets, the accuracy of all tested wave function and DFT methods at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 0.9$  for the electrostatic subset deteriorates by roughly one order of magnitude compared to larger intermonomer separations.

The O24x5 database features several complexes with considerable spin-contamination in unrestricted MP2 and CCSD methods: the CN-containing dimers (CN–He, CN–Ar, CN–H<sub>2</sub>), O<sub>2</sub>-containing dimers (O<sub>2</sub>–N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>–O<sub>2</sub>) and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>–C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>. For these systems the unrestricted MP2 and CC approaches perform worse than their restricted counterparts. For example, the relative signed error of RCCSD(T $^{**}$ )-F12a for equilibrium CN–H<sub>2</sub> is  $-2\%$ , whereas for the unrestricted variant the error reaches  $-30\%$ .

To summarize, the O24x5 dataset features noncovalent open-shell interactions of various physical origin and spans a wide range of interaction strengths. In particular, the dataset contains challenging dispersion-dominated and mixed-type subsets for which any approximate method that does not include the (T) contribution yields errors on the order of tens of percent. We expect that the O24x5 dataset will become a valuable addition to benchmark-

ing protocols used for wave function approaches and training sets for semiempirical methods and model density functionals.

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## DATA AVAILABILITY

The results of all calculations along with geometries (in xyz format) are available at the GITLAB repository <https://gitlab.com/piotr.zuchowski/o24x5>.

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# Supporting Information:

## Dataset of noncovalent intermolecular interaction energy curves for 24 small high-spin open-shell dimers

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**SAPT0 calculations** The interaction energy at the SAPT0 level of theory is obtained as

$$E_{\text{int}}^{\text{SAPT0}} = E_{\text{elst}}^{(10)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(10)} + E_{\text{ind,r}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{exch-ind,r}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{disp}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{exch-disp}}^{(20)} + \delta_{\text{HF}}, \quad (\text{S.1})$$

where  $E_{\text{elst}}^{(10)}$  and  $E_{\text{exch}}^{(10)}$  are first-order electrostatic and exchange interaction energy contributions, respectively;  $E_{\text{ind,r}}^{(20)}$  and  $E_{\text{disp}}^{(20)}$  are the second-order induction and dispersion energies, respectively;  $E_{\text{exch-ind,r}}^{(20)}$  and  $E_{\text{exch-disp}}^{(20)}$  are second-order exchange-induction and exchange-dispersion energies, respectively. The “r” subscript indicates that orbital relaxation effects are taken into account. The  $\delta_{\text{HF}}$  term approximates higher-order induction energy contributions and is defined as

$$\delta_{\text{HF}} = E_{\text{int}}^{\text{UHF}} - \left( E_{\text{elst}}^{(10)} + E_{\text{exch}}^{(10)} + E_{\text{ind,r}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{exch-ind,r}}^{(20)} \right) \quad (\text{S.2})$$

where  $E_{\text{int}}^{\text{UHF}}$  is the UHF interaction energy.

The ternary diagram was obtained by splitting the SAPT0 interaction contributions into:  $E_{\text{elst}}^{(10)}$ ,  $E_{\text{IND}}^{(20)} = E_{\text{ind,r}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{exch-ind,r}}^{(20)}$ ,  $E_{\text{DISP}}^{(20)} = E_{\text{disp}}^{(20)} + E_{\text{exch-disp}}^{(20)}$ . Each energy point was mapped to  $(x, y)$  coordinates within the parallelogram, where each vertex corresponds to the interaction of a pure type: ELST(+):  $(-0.5, 1.0)$ , IND(-):  $(0.5, 1.0)$ , ELST(-):  $(1.0, 0.0)$ , and DISP(-):  $(0.0, 0.0)$ . Affiliation to each interaction group was chosen according the following criteria: a) all points within a radius of 0.35 radii from the origin  $(0.0, 0.0)$  were assigned to the dispersion subset, b) all points within a radius of 0.36 radii from the  $(1.0, 0.0)$  vertex were assigned as electrostatic species, c) all the remaining points were assigned to the mixed interaction subset. An exception was made for the  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  dimer—although it is positioned slightly beyond the desired range for the dispersion subset, the dispersion contribution is the dominating stabilizing energy component. Thus,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$  is included in the dispersion subset. The atypical position of this complex on the ternary diagram results from the repulsive character of the electrostatic energy.

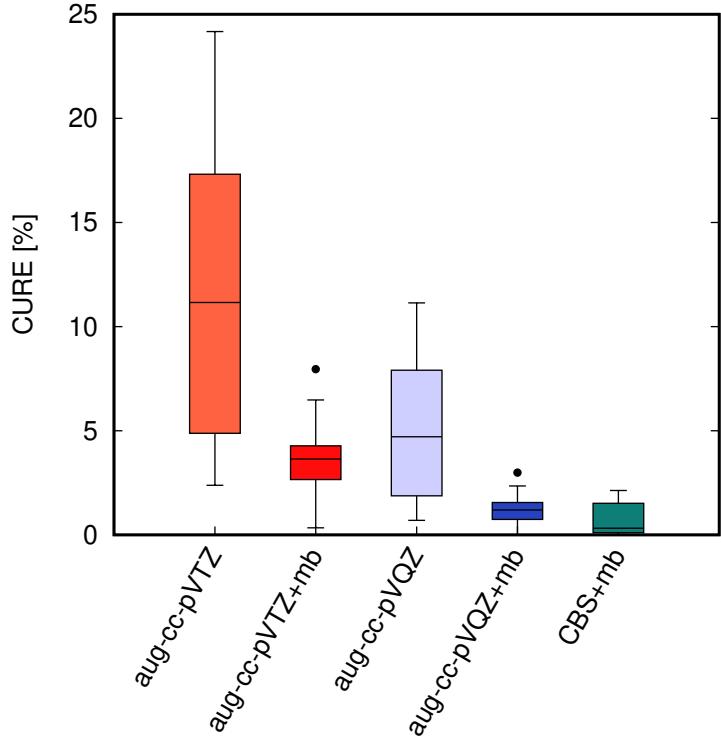


Figure S1: Capped unsigned errors (in percent) of RCCSD(T) calculations in different basis sets at  $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 1.0$ . CBS denotes the two-point aug-cc-pVQZ→aug-cc-pV5Z extrapolation (mb=midbond functions, see the manuscript for details). Errors given with respect to RCCSD(T)/CBS benchmark.

Table S1: Interaction energies  $R = 100 R_{\text{eq}}$  computed with RCCSD(T) and its explicitly correlated open-shell variants (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). Both RCCSD and RCSSD(T) calculations were performed in the aug-cc-pV5Z basis set. Calculations with explicitly correlated methods were performed in the orbital aug-cc-pVTZ basis.

$R = 100 R_{\text{eq}}$	RCCSD		RCCSD(T**)		RCCSD	RCCSD(T)
	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b		
NH–NH	-0.98	-0.96	0.14	0.17	-1.13	0.15
Li–O <sub>2</sub>	-0.57	-0.56	0.33	0.34	-0.66	0.42
O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	-1.84	-1.81	0.81	0.83	-2.12	1.06

Table S2: Spin contamination at UMP2 and UCCSD levels of theory in the equilibrium geometry ( $R/R_{\text{eq}} = 1.0$ ). Basis set is aug-cc-pV5Z.

	UMP2			UCCSD		
	mon A	mon B	dimer	mon A	mon B	dimer
Na–Li	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
He–He*	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	0.00000	0.00000	0.00002	0.00000	0.00000	0.00013
Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (lm)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00002	0.00000	0.00000	0.00005
Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (gm)	0.00000	0.00000	0.00003	0.00000	0.00000	0.00020
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	0.00384	0.00000	0.00150	0.00752	0.00000	0.00352
H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	0.00000	0.00392	0.00263	0.00000	0.00347	0.00257
H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	0.00000	0.00394	0.00168	0.00000	0.00173	0.00083
CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	0.00000	0.00442	0.00144	0.00000	0.00188	0.00073
HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	0.00000	0.00628	0.00419	0.00000	0.01060	0.00922
CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	0.00000	0.00676	0.00220	0.00000	0.00293	0.00095
CN–Ar	0.00724	0.00000	0.00479	0.00886	0.00000	0.00648
CN–H <sub>2</sub>	0.00724	0.00000	0.00667	0.00886	0.00000	0.00811
CN–He	0.00724	0.00000	0.00693	0.00886	0.00000	0.00851
H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub>	0.00000	0.00876	0.00561	0.00000	0.00362	0.00222
O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	0.00932	0.00000	0.00483	0.00384	0.00000	0.00187
O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	0.00933	0.00000	0.00858	0.00384	0.00000	0.00333
O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	0.00933	0.00933	0.00913	0.00384	0.00384	0.00384
Li–O <sub>2</sub>	0.00936	0.00000	0.00932	0.00385	0.00000	0.00386
NH–He	0.01182	0.00000	0.01044	0.00316	0.00000	0.00277
NH–Ar	0.01182	0.00000	0.00471	0.00316	0.00000	0.00141
NH–NH	0.01184	0.01184	0.01155	0.00315	0.00316	0.00309
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	0.24720	0.00000	0.25280	0.00911	0.00000	0.00466

Table S3: SAPT0 interaction energies (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) based on UHF description of the monomers. The basis set is aug-cc-pVTZ+midbonds (d-aug-cc-pVQZ for He-He). RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

	$E_{\text{elst}}^{(10)}$	$E_{\text{exch}}^{(10)}$	$E_{\text{ind,r}}^{(20)}$	$E_{\text{exch-ind,r}}^{(20)}$	$\delta_{\text{HF}}$	$E_{\text{disp}}^{(20)}$	$E_{\text{exch-disp}}^{(20)}$	SAPT0	RCCSD(T)/CBS
(1) NH–NH	-952.92	657.39	-185.07	89.01	-91.01	-379.57	48.96	-813.21	-697.47
(2) CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	-1648	1356	-499.52	341.11	-182.74	-886.98	126.61	-1392.57	-1027.31
(3) H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	-7846	8995	-13066	12303	-1881	-2579	1179	-2895	-1791.08
(4) H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	-3066	2436	-916.92	455.45	-520.14	-868.73	154.88	-2326	-1983.78
(5) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	-3259	2180	-941.01	452.47	-436.59	-888.84	145.84	-2747	-2647.19
(6) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (GM)	-17246	19272	-25279	20911	-2060	-4862	1980	-7284	-5014.58
(7) Li–O <sub>2</sub>	-86.05	176.35	-259.76	283.45	-54.42	-140.06	33.32	-47.17	-36.31
(8) CN–H <sub>2</sub>	-10.01	97.72	-8.08	7.08	-85.86	-114.92	8.13	-105.94	-50.41
(9) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (LM)	-241.74	459.65	-427.36	442.32	-51.45	-323.61	87.80	-54.38	-103.77
(10) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (MIN)	-154.71	303.36	-107.37	57.21	-19.67	-377.85	28.78	-270.24	-223.22
(11) Na–Li	-307.35	778.77	-407.73	307.15	-162.03	-548.98	210.25	-129.91	-259.27
(12) CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	-187.95	277.67	-150.77	122.17	-11.73	-400.32	29.32	-321.60	-266.29
(13) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	-880.93	1099	-699.80	608.20	-52.58	-1039	131.56	-833.72	-658.94
(14) He <sub>2</sub>									-1018.9
(15) HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	-12882	19761	-16457	9583	-7260	-3091	555.49	-9790	-10324.99
(16) CN–He	-5.71	32.25	-3.65	1.60	-3.53	-44.12	1.59	-21.56	-19.58
(17) NH–He	-4.50	24.08	-2.62	1.57	-2.55	-35.39	1.34	-18.08	-19.69
(18) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	111.66	135.78	-37.92	27.69	-5.79	-282.37	24.37	-26.60	-34.94
(19) O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	-24.27	83.10	-15.43	14.97	-2.92	-119.36	8.27	-55.65	-54.6
(20) NH–Ar	-23.58	83.71	-32.77	25.13	-5.30	-162.70	9.50	-106.01	-98.44
(21) CN–Ar	-77.43	250.10	-83.89	68.71	-14.56	-331.98	27.19	-161.87	-110.43
(22) O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	-37.96	160.57	-33.40	32.25	-4.30	-285.07	16.84	-151.07	-113.64
(23) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub>	6.23	222.06	-98.77	45.81	-16.38	-308.04	20.90	-128.19	-125.01
(24) O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	-34.52	144.87	-26.63	25.68	-8.73	-296.49	15.42	-180.40	-134.4

Table S4: Mean capped unsigned relative errors (MCURE, in percent) for systems of the O24x5 data set.

	RHF	LC- $\omega$ PBE	MP2	UMP2	RCCSD		RCCSD(T**)		UCCSD(T**)		LC- $\omega$ PBE +XDM
					-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	
<b>0.9</b>											
elst	59.26	24.22	9.00	8.84	8.36	8.92	9.69	0.80	1.56	0.83	1.20
mix	542	303	88.94	95.01	67.43	69.38	75.48	5.23	10.61	23.39	26.13
disp	1520	968	142	372	219	211	236	14.33	23.56	52.96	58.26
tot	788	483	88.74	177	110	119	120	7.54	13.20	28.84	31.95
<b>1.0</b>											
elst	23.31	12.79	3.38	3.41	3.66	3.59	4.09	0.09	0.51	0.18	0.41
mix	161	97.31	35.87	36.67	18.25	18.78	20.19	1.85	2.68	5.20	5.44
disp	259	191	23.87	33.23	38.45	36.05	39.96	2.56	2.62	9.29	8.90
tot	163	111	23.25	27.06	22.18	21.46	23.58	1.68	2.11	5.48	21.58
<b>1.2</b>											
elst	13.61	8.59	2.66	2.73	1.93	1.82	2.14	0.09	0.23	0.19	0.20
mix	96.43	70.30	25.42	25.20	10.80	11.24	11.90	1.53	1.77	3.36	3.53
disp	189	154	18.02	23.03	29.02	28.09	30.30	2.10	1.66	5.92	5.33
tot	111	86.34	16.95	18.77	15.05	16.58	17.71	1.38	1.35	3.53	3.37
<b>1.5</b>											
elst	12.67	7.72	3.55	3.73	1.43	1.39	1.52	0.13	0.33	0.15	0.29
mix	77.03	72.09	22.32	22.90	8.26	9.95	10.28	2.31	2.54	3.45	3.62
disp	192	173	15.40	29.28	29.38	31.11	32.75	2.91	3.63	5.89	6.49
tot	104	93.68	15.03	20.50	14.47	15.75	16.52	1.99	2.40	3.54	3.86
<b>2.0</b>											
elst	20.57	11.03	5.13	5.33	2.72	2.92	2.93	0.40	0.66	0.40	0.58
mix	69.38	68.28	21.63	23.48	7.00	10.73	10.91	6.95	7.11	5.31	5.38
disp	101	96.99	8.31	14.26	14.94	15.06	15.85	5.17	5.41	4.17	4.44
tot	66.98	64.73	12.51	15.48	8.91	10.40	10.77	4.65	4.86	3.65	3.83

Table S5: Interaction energies in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 0.9 R_{\text{eq}}$	RHF	LC- $\omega$ PBE	LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM	MP2	UMP2	SCS-MP2	SCS-UMP2	RCCSD	RCCSD(T)/CBS
(1) NH–NH	-31.45	-344.25	-466.01	-506.93	-503.49	-387.67	-382.32	-399.81	-465.81
(2) CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	16.31	-414.64	-700.17	-808.69	-800.06	-551.05	-543.82	-622.50	-762.53
(3) H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	-897.95	-986.42	-1016.46	-478.91	-478.62	-296.56	-297.40	-635.26	-645.24
(4) H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	-742.76	-1349.54	-1506.05	-1467.11	-1468.67	-1214.35	-1212.88	-1317.65	-1431.56
(5) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	-1249.33	-2240.07	-2451.79	-2451.56	-2469.64	-2083.00	-2124.58	-2237.56	-2408.67
(6) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (GM)	-3218.57	-3648.76	-3656.38	-3605.98	-3606.45	-3450.27	-3452.37	-3934.77	-3965.73
(7) Li–O <sub>2</sub>	145.16	78.59	28.51	11.13	10.64	33.73	28.72	4.77	-14.70
(8) CN–H <sub>2</sub>	202.53	110.51	-0.95	-27.70	26.86	13.77	67.51	11.46	-16.05
(9) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (LM)	367.04	34.04	-37.22	8.11	6.32	77.15	73.97	-27.57	-87.23
(10) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (MIN)	490.89	320.20	98.46	57.88	-88.78	141.78	48.39	13.48	-73.37
(11) Na–Li	407.78	35.47	-119.68	113.46	113.88	308.44	308.70	-210.40	-210.40
(12) CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	392.34	225.65	-34.57	-171.59	-174.10	-37.20	-35.50	-97.00	-187.20
(13) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	947.39	279.85	-161.33	-430.71	-421.08	-119.20	-134.64	-151.47	-366.42
(14) He <sub>2</sub>	494.11	-56.86	-80.25	-135.55	-135.55	272.18	272.18	-810.49	-826.91
(15) HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	-6696.44	-11564.46	-11730.39	-8975.38	-11369.31	-8258.67	-11629.19	-8663.31	-8922.76
(16) CN–He	83.73	60.62	19.35	5.70	2.29	22.18	17.78	12.05	4.26
(17) NH–He	60.80	47.01	7.50	4.06	4.38	16.84	16.19	-0.80	-7.28
(18) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	503.02	278.40	2.71	-49.62	258.52	33.92	362.95	78.84	1.78
(19) O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	187.84	121.13	11.53	11.85	-18.37	44.71	25.27	9.06	-16.64
(20) NH–Ar	196.74	105.26	-17.15	-81.53	-78.81	-21.43	-21.35	-48.44	-88.71
(21) CN–Ar	570.19	381.53	215.40	-10.45	36.99	112.77	150.01	133.52	52.69
(22) O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	405.35	272.07	41.10	-77.47	-106.22	18.67	1.98	37.90	-31.62
(23) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub>	516.97	300.00	123.93	23.41	11.94	128.71	122.65	76.16	-13.09
(24) O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	354.23	259.02	24.59	-62.53	-143.25	15.26	-17.30	0.04	-66.46

Table S6: Interaction energies in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 1.0 R_{\text{eq}}$	RHF	LC- $\omega$ PBE	LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM	MP2	UMP2	SCS-MP2	SCS-UMP2	RCCSD	RCCSD(T)/CBS
(1) NH–NH	-480.07	-589.28	-687.85	-716.45	-716.19	-644.76	-649.77	-664.18	-697.47
(2) CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	-629.67	-736.38	-980.71	-1043.04	-1039.63	-898.77	-896.04	-953.35	-1027.31
(3) H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	-1473.83	-1570.02	-1606.66	-1618.09	-1617.54	-1505.01	-1505.38	-1756.00	-1791.08
(4) H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	-1600.10	-1847.78	-1991.62	-1993.75	-1994.83	-1848.88	-1848.49	-1916.02	-1983.78
(5) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	-1994.28	-2468.26	-2647.48	-2648.68	-2660.22	-2444.98	-2470.75	-2548.42	-2647.19
(6) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (GM)	-4354.09	-4665.66	-4680.29	-4722.43	-4722.75	-4601.97	-4604.13	-4977.59	-5014.58
(7) Li–O <sub>2</sub>	59.10	29.53	-11.58	-20.55	-21.22	-6.48	-10.11	-24.80	-36.31
(8) CN–H <sub>2</sub>	63.02	28.20	-50.92	-55.41	-32.36	-32.46	-10.14	-35.60	-50.41
(9) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (LM)	181.82	-2.23	-69.88	-39.37	-40.23	4.42	2.93	-66.09	-103.77
(10) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (MIN)	81.93	1.84	-159.46	-139.00	-228.09	-95.56	-152.96	-174.69	-223.22
(11) Na–Li	209.55	-40.10	-196.63	-5.75	-5.45	136.91	137.07	-259.27	-259.27
(12) CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	49.97	-11.76	-206.50	-254.89	-255.92	-181.59	-180.68	-215.26	-266.29
(13) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	75.87	-186.81	-552.40	-684.86	-684.06	-506.78	-521.11	-534.77	-658.94
(14) He <sub>2</sub> *	150.49	-348.71	-367.18	-373.83	-373.85	-24.93	-24.93	-1003.81	-1018.90
(15) HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	-7674.22	-12631.73	-12796.77	-10366.40	-12424.41	-9691.67	-12548.18	-9930.81	-10324.99
(16) CN–He	21.02	13.84	-13.53	-18.23	-18.36	-9.57	-10.27	-15.33	-19.58
(17) NH–He	15.94	10.91	-16.33	-13.40	-13.18	-6.67	-6.81	-16.16	-19.69
(18) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	233.06	135.07	-34.66	-64.17	22.73	-17.51	74.96	6.93	-34.94
(19) O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	55.72	28.36	-50.77	-45.03	-54.00	-24.38	-29.94	-40.14	-54.60
(20) NH–Ar	47.12	15.65	-74.13	-93.96	-92.43	-62.51	-62.01	-77.18	-98.44
(21) CN–Ar	142.48	81.85	-42.11	-145.88	-126.28	-81.80	-66.72	-69.62	-110.43
(22) O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	115.71	65.22	-101.37	-135.83	-149.28	-82.59	-90.92	-75.56	-113.64
(23) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub>	158.42	85.15	-68.69	-104.02	-105.40	-47.04	-48.21	-75.96	-125.01
(24) O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	98.18	56.93	-113.62	-131.98	-169.47	-86.82	-102.06	-97.79	-133.40

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Table S7: Interaction energies in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 1.2 R_{\text{eq}}$	RHF	LC- $\omega$ PBE	LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM	MP2	UMP2	SCS-MP2	SCS-UMP2	RCCSD	RCCSD(T)/CBS
(1) NH–NH	-411.60	-430.25	-483.13	-469.11	-470.85	-440.85	-448.99	-453.20	-459.91
(2) CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	-649.08	-606.04	-751.22	-732.81	-732.82	-683.98	-684.65	-713.53	-731.41
(3) H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	-929.78	-1122.44	-1172.12	-1173.99	-1173.54	-1101.47	-1101.59	-1244.92	-1283.10
(4) H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	-1264.37	-1274.44	-1357.48	-1357.00	-1357.58	-1308.43	-1308.62	-1334.30	-1352.50
(5) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	-1398.78	-1522.95	-1620.92	-1594.08	-1599.66	-1524.99	-1537.10	-1568.20	-1597.02
(6) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (GM)	-3254.54	-3620.16	-3652.90	-3630.63	-3630.93	-3544.50	-3546.91	-3762.19	-3810.80
(7) Li–O <sub>2</sub>	8.92	2.79	-17.46	-18.65	-19.00	-13.46	-15.03	-20.71	-24.41
(8) CN–H <sub>2</sub>	5.81	0.82	-31.20	-29.64	-24.53	-22.03	-17.25	-23.81	-28.51
(9) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (LM)	35.27	-12.73	-58.66	-45.42	-45.58	-28.49	-28.74	-58.21	-73.10
(10) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (MIN)	-28.18	-48.64	-154.01	-103.02	-128.64	-86.95	-103.05	-110.29	-126.50
(11) Na–Li	54.53	-47.61	-183.28	-50.71	-50.57	19.04	19.09	-188.18	-188.18
(12) CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	-30.96	-44.26	-133.32	-128.70	-128.93	-105.11	-104.54	-115.53	-132.52
(13) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	-175.08	-210.03	-412.82	-421.00	-425.98	-359.22	-370.63	-372.51	-415.05
(14) He <sub>2</sub> *	30.27	-328.34	-348.44	-290.28	-290.28	-72.05	-72.05	-768.39	-790.24
(15) HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	-6076.30	-9579.77	-9722.91	-7338.36	-8390.49	-7032.01	-8364.75	-7359.57	-7656.09
(16) CN–He	0.73	0.01	-9.49	-10.71	-10.35	-8.03	-7.86	-9.89	-11.24
(17) NH–He	0.74	-0.02	-10.58	-8.37	-8.27	-6.23	-6.19	-9.21	-10.38
(18) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	76.96	51.93	-9.86	-20.60	2.19	-5.20	19.05	2.67	-10.96
(19) O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	4.17	-0.75	-33.78	-28.75	-30.22	-21.41	-22.35	-26.28	-31.11
(20) NH–Ar	0.87	-3.13	-40.80	-41.03	-40.52	-31.31	-31.00	-35.73	-42.26
(21) CN–Ar	5.66	-2.08	-55.18	-78.92	-74.52	-59.34	-56.15	-54.56	-66.45
(22) O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	9.60	0.38	-69.79	-69.76	-72.38	-51.72	-53.58	-50.29	-62.69
(23) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub>	26.91	16.82	-62.03	-54.23	-51.38	-35.69	-34.49	-43.71	-59.42
(24) O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	7.62	-1.28	-74.56	-71.93	-79.12	-54.77	-57.75	-60.38	-71.34

Table S8: Interaction energies in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

	$R = 1.5 R_{\text{eq}}$	RHF	LC- $\omega$ PBE	LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM	MP2	UMP2	SCS-MP2	SCS-UMP2	RCCSD	RCCSD(T)/CBS
(1) NH–NH	-207.01	-201.57	-216.67	-212.32	-213.45	-203.51	-208.05	-206.98	-205.70	
(2) CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	-356.55	-309.46	-353.78	-341.01	-341.25	-329.72	-330.41	-341.00	-339.71	
(3) H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	-315.62	-404.43	-464.69	-466.64	-466.40	-426.54	-426.53	-496.86	-521.59	
(4) H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	-611.34	-581.24	-624.17	-604.76	-605.06	-593.12	-593.34	-598.84	-598.20	
(5) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	-640.89	-670.10	-708.11	-681.59	-684.18	-661.51	-667.03	-674.61	-678.35	
(6) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (GM)	-1266.86	-1524.54	-1582.56	-1579.90	-1580.28	-1517.46	-1519.28	-1627.84	-1673.44	
(7) Li–O <sub>2</sub>	0.44	0.21	-5.29	-5.80	-5.89	-4.56	-4.96	-6.86	-7.19	
(8) CN–H <sub>2</sub>	0.21	0.05	-8.01	-7.93	-6.87	-6.09	-5.10	-6.59	-7.71	
(9) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (LM)	0.42	-2.62	-15.82	-18.08	-18.09	-13.90	-13.91	-21.89	-25.73	
(10) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (MIN)	-13.00	-14.78	-39.27	-32.03	-37.45	-27.54	-30.77	-32.14	-35.99	
(11) Na–Li	5.85	-2.98	-66.00	-26.98	-26.93	-5.15	-5.14	-75.17	-75.17	
(12) CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	-12.45	-12.13	-35.14	-35.67	-35.76	-30.09	-29.90	-32.19	-36.14	
(13) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	-87.80	-80.50	-143.54	-142.76	-146.25	-127.56	-133.21	-131.12	-140.79	
(14) He <sub>2</sub> *	22.14	-102.70	-122.21	-106.14	-106.14	-21.74	-21.74	-336.59	-341.29	
(15) HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	-3578.13	-4489.07	-4576.73	-3617.52	-3899.43	-3556.42	-3879.31	-3657.49	-3703.01	
(16) CN–He	-0.19	-0.12	-1.76	-2.80	-2.70	-2.17	-2.12	-2.59	-2.91	
(17) NH–He	-0.12	-0.12	-2.45	-2.30	-2.27	-1.79	-1.77	-2.46	-2.73	
(18) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	25.59	20.06	4.81	0.76	7.52	4.30	11.64	6.19	2.75	
(19) O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	-0.16	-0.34	-8.90	-7.97	-8.19	-6.15	-6.30	-7.30	-8.46	
(20) NH–Ar	-0.61	-0.66	-9.83	-10.21	-10.10	-7.95	-7.87	-8.81	-10.30	
(21) CN–Ar	-1.00	-0.82	-13.84	-19.89	-19.03	-15.43	-14.85	-13.99	-16.57	
(22) O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	0.57	0.62	-18.06	-18.70	-18.96	-14.18	-14.42	-13.73	-16.71	
(23) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub>	10.87	12.82	-8.87	-8.57	-6.71	-4.17	-3.26	-5.31	-8.94	
(24) O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	0.31	0.18	-19.79	-20.00	-20.73	-15.35	-15.62	-18.23	-19.24	

Table S9: Interaction energies in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 2.0 R_{\text{eq}}$	RHF	LC- $\omega$ PBE	LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM	MP2	UMP2	SCS-MP2	SCS-UMP2	RCCSD	RCCSD(T)/CBS
(1) NH–NH	-81.98	-79.59	-81.34	-80.04	-80.48	-77.72	-79.42	-78.66	-76.67
(2) CH <sub>2</sub> O–NH <sub>2</sub>	-145.90	-126.24	-130.87	-126.02	-126.13	-124.70	-124.98	-128.08	-125.01
(3) H <sub>2</sub> O–Na	-72.26	-84.59	-129.01	-119.46	-119.35	-107.24	-107.16	-128.71	-137.13
(4) H <sub>2</sub> O–OH	-223.64	-209.60	-217.34	-210.77	-210.89	-208.77	-208.90	-209.32	-206.86
(5) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> H	-229.13	-241.10	-246.15	-237.08	-238.13	-231.61	-233.82	-235.19	-234.81
(6) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (GM)	-241.11	-341.77	-412.38	-380.91	-381.09	-351.31	-351.85	-400.12	-422.38
(7) Li–O <sub>2</sub>	0.00	0.00	-1.01	-0.92	-0.93	-0.73	-0.79	-1.65	-1.13
(8) CN–H <sub>2</sub>	0.02	0.01	-1.31	-1.31	-1.10	-1.01	-0.81	-1.08	-1.26
(9) Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (LM)	-0.76	-0.72	-2.13	-3.16	-3.16	-2.58	-2.58	-3.78	-4.32
(10) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (MIN)	-3.14	-3.66	-7.69	-6.25	-7.32	-5.44	-6.05	-6.16	-6.77
(11) Na–Li	0.07	-0.11	-11.46	-5.19	-5.18	-1.68	-1.68	-14.25	-14.25
(12) CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	-2.72	-2.64	-5.70	-6.40	-6.43	-5.50	-5.48	-5.78	-6.37
(13) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	-24.30	-21.93	-32.46	-31.80	-32.84	-29.45	-30.98	-30.29	-31.54
(14) He <sub>2</sub> *	3.43	-3.25	-12.48	-20.75	-20.76	-4.27	-4.27	-73.20	-74.18
(15) HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	-1752.42	-1693.76	-1708.22	-1646.47	-1726.74	-1639.04	-1725.12	-1654.71	-1641.58
(16) CN–He	-0.03	-0.02	-0.10	-0.46	-0.44	-0.36	-0.35	-0.42	-0.48
(17) NH–He	-0.03	-0.03	-0.31	-0.38	-0.38	-0.30	-0.30	-0.37	-0.41
(18) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	6.62	5.27	2.10	1.98	3.52	2.49	4.21	2.88	2.27
(19) O <sub>2</sub> –H <sub>2</sub>	-0.06	-0.07	-1.51	-1.34	-1.37	-1.04	-1.06	-1.21	-1.40
(20) NH–Ar	-0.10	-0.11	-1.51	-1.65	-1.63	-1.29	-1.28	-1.35	-1.59
(21) CN–Ar	-0.23	-0.15	-2.17	-3.17	-3.03	-2.47	-2.38	-2.19	-2.59
(22) O <sub>2</sub> –N <sub>2</sub>	0.11	0.17	-3.04	-3.11	-3.12	-2.35	-2.37	-2.25	-2.75
(23) H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub>	4.22	4.90	1.78	0.83	1.47	1.53	1.86	1.55	0.95
(24) O <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	0.04	0.06	-3.47	-3.40	-3.45	-2.60	-2.61	-4.85	-3.15

Table S10: Interaction energies with explicitly correlated methods (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). With the exception of  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$ , all results obtained in the orbital aug-cc-pVTZ basis set accompanied by aug-pVTZ-JK and aug-cc-pVTZ-RI auxiliary basis sets for the SCF and correlated components of the computations, respectively (see the manuscript). The  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$  results were obtained with the d-aug-cc-pVQZ orbital basis set and the aug-cc-pV6Z auxiliary basis sets. RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 0.9 R_{\text{eq}}$	RCCSD	RCCSD(T**)	UCCSD(T***)	RCCSD(T*)	RCCSD(T)/CBS
	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a
(1) NH–NH	-401.67	-391.22	-465.46	-455.02	-456.65
(2) $\text{CH}_2\text{O}-\text{NH}_2$	-621.77	-602.56	-760.4	-741.2	-744.79
(3) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{Na}$	-611.79	-627.95	-620.94	-637.1	-623.75
(4) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{OH}$	-1317.99	-1299	-1427.65	-1408.66	-1429.27
(5) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2\text{H}$	-2242.56	-2223.72	-2409.55	-2390.71	-2426.16
(6) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{GM})$	-3923.47	-3913.97	-3949.99	-3940.48	-3953.4
(7) $\text{Li}-\text{O}_2$	8.03	8.89	-10.63	-9.78	-11.23
(8) $\text{CN}-\text{H}_2$	11.37	15.18	-14.88	-11.07	10.73
(9) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{LM})$	-28.18	-25.2	-89.03	-86.05	-90.02
(10) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2(\text{MIN})$	12.67	21.11	-71.04	-62.6	-80.26
(11) $\text{Na}-\text{Li}$	-207.74	-206.54	-207.74	-206.54	-207.74
(12) $\text{CO}_2-\text{O}_2$	-98.78	-90.59	-186.3	-178.1	-187.99
(13) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{CO}_2$	-157.54	-136.54	-370.86	-349.86	-374.77
(14) $\text{He}_2^*$	-628.93	-639.19	-851.59	-848.47	-851.59
(15) $\text{HF}-\text{CO}^+$	-8605.25	-8584.23	-8842.74	-8821.71	-8874.29
(16) $\text{CN}-\text{He}$	12.51	13.77	5.55	6.81	12.48
(17) $\text{NH}-\text{He}$	-1	-0.19	-6.87	-6.06	-1.09
(18) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$	72.98	81.24	-4.79	3.47	-5.55
(19) $\text{O}_2-\text{H}_2$	9.33	12.08	-14.69	-11.93	7.6
(20) $\text{NH}-\text{Ar}$	-46.91	-41.87	-82.84	-77.8	-83.43
(21) $\text{CN}-\text{Ar}$	130.09	142.08	56.88	68.87	52.67
(22) $\text{O}_2-\text{N}_2$	35.31	43.76	-31.52	-23.07	-33.04
(23) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$	75.95	82.26	-12.62	-6.31	-15.02
(24) $\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$	-2.24	3.86	-64.56	-58.47	-66.33
					-60.25
					-66.46

Table S11: Interaction energies with explicitly correlated methods (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). With the exception of  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$ , all results obtained in the orbital aug-cc-pVTZ basis set accompanied by aug-pVTZ-JK and aug-cc-pVTZ-RI auxiliary basis sets for the SCF and correlated components of the computations, respectively (see the manuscript). The  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$  results were obtained with the d-aug-cc-pVQZ orbital basis set and the aug-cc-pV6Z auxiliary basis sets. RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 1.0 R_{\text{eq}}$	RCCSD	RCCSD(-F12a)	RCCSD(-F12b)	RCCSD(T**)	UCCSD(T**)	RCCSD(T)/CBS
(1) NH–NH	-665.94	-660.17	-698.43	-692.66	-699.61	-693.89
(2) $\text{CH}_2\text{O}-\text{NH}_2$	-953.73	-942.65	-1026.92	-1015.83	-1028.63	-1017.5
(3) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{Na}$	-1754.86	-1755.62	-1790.45	-1791.21	-1792.46	-1793.22
(4) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{OH}$	-1917.61	-1906.23	-1983.01	-1971.63	-1983.77	-1972.36
(5) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2\text{H}$	-2553.49	-2542.52	-2650.05	-2639.07	-2660.4	-2649.35
(6) Li– $\text{NH}_3$ (GM)	-4972.17	-4964.88	-5006.88	-4999.59	-5010.11	-5002.84
(7) Li– $\text{O}_2$	-22.25	-21.75	-33.09	-32.59	-33.6	-33.1
(8) CN– $\text{H}_2$	-35.46	-33.6	-49.65	-47.79	-35.82	-33.95
(9) Li– $\text{NH}_3$ (LM)	-65.78	-63.86	-104.18	-102.26	-104.63	-102.7
(10) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$ (MIN)	-177.57	-173.21	-224.75	-220.39	-230.39	-225.98
(11) Na–Li	-256.31	-255.45	-256.32	-255.45	-256.32	-255.45
(12) $\text{CO}_2-\text{O}_2$	-218.39	-214.17	-268.55	-264.34	-269.45	-265.22
(13) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{CO}_2$	-539.6	-528.03	-663.62	-652.05	-665.55	-654
(14) $\text{He}_2^*$	-779.59	-789.42	-1044.3	-1043.11	-1044.3	-1043.11
(15) HF– $\text{CO}^+$	-9932.45	-9902.32	-10322.9	-10292.77	-10379.87	-10349.1
(16) CN–He	-15.53	-14.95	-19.45	-18.88	-15.64	-15.07
(17) NH–He	-16.64	-16.29	-19.91	-19.57	-16.68	-16.34
(18) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$	3.61	7.72	-39.02	-34.91	-39.38	-35.26
(19) $\text{O}_2-\text{H}_2$	-40.05	-38.69	-53.69	-52.32	-40.67	-39.29
(20) NH–Ar	-76.78	-74.43	-95.99	-93.64	-96.26	-93.9
(21) CN–Ar	-72.04	-66.41	-109.39	-103.77	-110.64	-104.97
(22) $\text{O}_2-\text{N}_2$	-78.77	-74.49	-115.82	-111.54	-116.7	-112.39
(23) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$	-77.39	-74.13	-126.61	-123.35	-127.93	-124.62
(24) $\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$	-101.67	-98.46	-136.13	-132.92	-137.73	-134.53

Table S12: Interaction energies with explicitly correlated methods (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). With the exception of  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$ , all results obtained in the orbital aug-cc-pVTZ basis set accompanied by aug-pVTZ-JK and aug-cc-pVTZ-RI auxiliary basis sets for the SCF and correlated components of the computations, respectively (see the manuscript). The  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$  results were obtained with the d-aug-cc-pVQZ orbital basis set and the aug-cc-pV6Z auxiliary basis sets. RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 1.2 R_{\text{eq}}$	RCCSD	RCCSD(T**)	UCCSD(T***)	RCCSD(T*)	RCCSD(T)/CBS
	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a
(1) NH–NH	-453.83	-451.73	-460.26	-458.15	-460.92
(2) $\text{CH}_2\text{O}-\text{NH}_2$	-713.48	-709.58	-731.13	-727.23	-731.61
(3) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{Na}$	-1246.03	-1243.25	-1285.6	-1282.81	-1286.48
(4) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{OH}$	-1336.25	-1332.12	-1353.73	-1349.59	-1353.86
(5) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2\text{H}$	-1571.41	-1567.7	-1599.21	-1595.5	-1603.94
(6) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{GM})$	-3762.83	-3757.72	-3811.84	-3806.73	-3814.46
(7) $\text{Li}-\text{O}_2$	-19.37	-19.2	-22.65	-22.48	-23.06
(8) $\text{CN}-\text{H}_2$	-23.59	-23.17	-28.2	-27.78	-23.72
(9) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{LM})$	-57.3	-56.6	-72.38	-71.68	-72.46
(10) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2(\text{MIN})$	-111.69	-110.58	-127.77	-126.65	-129.22
(11) $\text{Na}-\text{Li}$	-185.66	-185.3	-185.65	-185.3	-185.65
(12) $\text{CO}_2-\text{O}_2$	-116.25	-115.14	-133.1	-131.99	-133.37
(13) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{CO}_2$	-374.12	-370.6	-416.99	-413.48	-417.53
(14) $\text{He}_2^*$	-482.41	-489.27	-794.2	-796.64	-794.2
(15) $\text{HF}-\text{CO}^+$	-7410.1	-7381.89	-7708.22	-7680.01	-7795.9
(16) $\text{CN}-\text{He}$	-9.96	-9.84	-11.27	-11.15	-10.04
(17) $\text{NH}-\text{He}$	-9.36	-9.29	-10.47	-10.41	-9.37
(18) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$	2.03	3.08	-12.06	-11.01	-12.17
(19) $\text{O}_2-\text{H}_2$	-26.02	-25.68	-30.62	-30.28	-26.19
(20) $\text{NH}-\text{Ar}$	-35.18	-34.64	-41.2	-40.65	-41.27
(21) $\text{CN}-\text{Ar}$	-54.66	-53.43	-65.82	-64.58	-65.99
(22) $\text{O}_2-\text{N}_2$	-50.83	-49.78	-63.02	-61.97	-63.3
(23) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$	-44.22	-43.27	-59.99	-59.04	-60.36
(24) $\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$	-60.54	-59.72	-70.48	-69.65	-71.68

Table S13: Interaction energies with explicitly correlated methods (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). With the exception of  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$ , all results obtained in the orbital aug-cc-pVTZ basis set accompanied by aug-pVTZ-JK and aug-cc-pVTZ-RI auxiliary basis sets for the SCF and correlated components of the computations, respectively (see the manuscript). The  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$  results were obtained with the d-aug-cc-pVQZ orbital basis set and the aug-cc-pV6Z auxiliary basis sets. RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

$R = 1.5 R_{\text{eq}}$	RCCSD	RCCSD(T**)	UCCSD(T***)	RCCSD(T*)	RCCSD(T)/CBS
	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a
(1) NH–NH	-206.91	-206.2	-205.39	-204.68	-204.98
(2) $\text{CH}_2\text{O}-\text{NH}_2$	-340.36	-339.26	-338.89	-337.79	-337.88
(3) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{Na}$	-496.06	-494.14	-521.34	-519.41	-521.55
(4) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{OH}$	-598.81	-597.69	-597.46	-596.34	-596.31
(5) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2\text{H}$	-675.29	-674.37	-678.07	-677.15	-679.24
(6) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{GM})$	-1629.84	-1626.03	-1676.78	-1672.97	-1678.11
(7) $\text{Li}-\text{O}_2$	-6.47	-6.42	-6.57	-6.53	-6.89
(8) $\text{CN}-\text{H}_2$	-6.48	-6.42	-7.6	-7.55	-6.51
(9) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{LM})$	-21.27	-21.12	-25.14	-24.99	-25.14
(10) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2(\text{MIN})$	-32.23	-32.05	-36.11	-35.92	-36.34
(11) $\text{Na}-\text{Li}$	-73.67	-73.61	-73.67	-73.67	-73.6
(12) $\text{CO}_2-\text{O}_2$	-31.84	-31.63	-35.77	-35.56	-35.82
(13) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{CO}_2$	-130.76	-130.07	-140.55	-139.86	-140.63
(14) $\text{He}_2^*$	-42.45	-45.97	-325.65	-327.94	-325.65
(15) $\text{HF}-\text{CO}^+$	-3671.47	-3663.52	-3715.57	-3707.61	-3738.98
(16) $\text{CN}-\text{He}$	-2.58	-2.56	-2.89	-2.87	-2.6
(17) $\text{NH}-\text{He}$	-2.47	-2.46	-2.74	-2.73	-2.47
(18) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$	6.22	6.42	2.65	2.84	2.62
(19) $\text{O}_2-\text{H}_2$	-7.19	-7.14	-8.32	-8.27	-7.23
(20) $\text{NH}-\text{Ar}$	-8.56	-8.47	-9.96	-9.87	-9.98
(21) $\text{CN}-\text{Ar}$	-13.78	-13.6	-16.27	-16.09	-16.3
(22) $\text{O}_2-\text{N}_2$	-13.42	-13.26	-16.38	-16.22	-16.44
(23) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$	-4.91	-4.71	-8.46	-8.27	-8.52
(24) $\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$	-17.38	-17.19	-17.85	-17.66	-18.77

Table S14: Interaction energies with explicitly correlated methods (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). With the exception of  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$ , all results obtained in the orbital aug-cc-pVTZ basis set accompanied by aug-pVTZ-JK and aug-cc-pVTZ-RI auxiliary basis sets for the SCF and correlated components of the computations, respectively (see the manuscript). The  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$  results were obtained with the d-aug-cc-pVQZ orbital basis set and the aug-cc-pV6Z auxiliary basis sets. RCCSD(T)/CBS is the reference.

	$R = 2.0 R_{\text{eq}}$	RCCSD	RCCSD(T**)	UCCSD(T**)	RCCSD(T)/CBS
	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a	-F12b	-F12a
(1) NH–NH	-78.63	-78.39	-76.56	-76.31	-76.49
(2) $\text{CH}_2\text{O}-\text{NH}_2$	-127.86	-127.56	-124.71	-124.4	-124.4
(3) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{Na}$	-126.92	-126.36	-135.21	-134.65	-135.23
(4) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{OH}$	-208.88	-208.61	-206.04	-205.78	-206.01
(5) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2\text{H}$	-235.23	-235.02	-234.39	-234.18	-235.22
(6) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{GM})$	-399.84	-398.01	-422.61	-420.78	-422.84
(7) $\text{Li}-\text{O}_2$	-1.53	-1.51	-0.78	-0.77	-1.11
(8) $\text{CN}-\text{H}_2$	-1.07	-1.06	-1.26	-1.25	-1.07
(9) $\text{Li}-\text{NH}_3(\text{LM})$	-3.69	-3.67	-4.25	-4.23	-4.25
(10) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2(\text{MIN})$	-6.21	-6.19	-6.84	-6.81	-6.84
(11) $\text{Na}-\text{Li}$	-13.99	-13.99	-13.99	-13.99	-13.99
(12) $\text{CO}_2-\text{O}_2$	-5.76	-5.73	-6.37	-6.34	-6.38
(13) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{CO}_2$	-29.97	-29.86	-31.23	-31.13	-31.23
(14) $\text{He}_2^*$	155.06	153.36	-55.47	-56.16	-55.47
(15) $\text{HF}-\text{CO}^+$	-1650.4	-1650.08	-1635	-1634.68	-1635.19
(16) $\text{CN}-\text{He}$	-0.42	-0.42	-0.47	-0.47	-0.42
(17) $\text{NH}-\text{He}$	-0.4	-0.4	-0.45	-0.45	-0.4
(18) $\text{C}_2\text{H}_3-\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$	2.86	2.89	2.21	2.24	2.24
(19) $\text{O}_2-\text{H}_2$	-1.21	-1.21	-1.4	-1.4	-1.22
(20) $\text{NH}-\text{Ar}$	-1.38	-1.37	-1.61	-1.6	-1.62
(21) $\text{CN}-\text{Ar}$	-2.19	-2.17	-2.59	-2.56	-2.59
(22) $\text{O}_2-\text{N}_2$	-2.19	-2.17	-2.69	-2.67	-2.7
(23) $\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{O}_2$	1.68	1.72	1.11	1.14	1.14
(24) $\text{O}_2-\text{O}_2$	-4.43	-4.38	-2.31	-2.26	-3.14

Table S15: Comparison of RCCSD(T) and UCCSD(T) interaction energies obtained in the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set with midbond function (see text for details).

system	method	$R/R_e$				
		0.9	1.0	1.2	1.5	2.0
<b>dispersion</b>						
CN–He	RCCSD(T)	7.60	−18.62	−11.14	−2.89	−0.47
	UCCSD(T)	7.38	−18.82	−11.24	−2.90	−0.46
NH–He	RCCSD(T)	−5.22	−19.13	−10.38	−2.76	−0.46
	UCCSD(T)	−5.31	−19.18	−10.39	−2.75	−0.44
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{--C}_2\text{H}_4$	RCCSD(T)	7.04	−34.07	−11.80	2.50	2.33
	UCCSD(T)	6.24	−34.44	−11.92	2.48	2.27
$\text{O}_2\text{--H}_2$	RCCSD(T)	−10.71	−52.54	−30.89	−8.46	−1.38
	UCCSD(T)	−12.56	−53.15	−31.05	−8.50	−1.39
NH–Ar	RCCSD(T)	−78.34	−94.99	−41.73	−10.16	−1.65
	UCCSD(T)	−79.00	−95.29	−41.86	−10.21	−1.66
CN–Ar	RCCSD(T)	76.41	−103.27	−65.84	−16.62	−2.53
	UCCSD(T)	72.36	−104.27	−65.94	−16.63	−2.51
$\text{O}_2\text{--N}_2$	RCCSD(T)	−15.34	−108.78	−62.45	−16.74	−2.74
	UCCSD(T)	−16.98	−109.79	−62.80	−16.76	−2.75
$\text{H}_2\text{O}\text{--O}_2$	RCCSD(T)	14.00	−115.06	−57.63	−8.69	0.69
	UCCSD(T)	11.43	−116.49	−58.06	−8.79	0.68
$\text{O}_2\text{--O}_2$	RCCSD(T)	−48.14	−128.74	−70.81	−19.22	−3.18
	UCCSD(T)	−49.33	−129.72	−71.33	−19.37	−3.19
<b>electrostatic</b>						
NH–NH	RCCSD(T)	−407.81	−669.38	−450.90	−202.29	−75.60
	UCCSD(T)	−409.34	−670.50	−451.50	−202.46	−75.62
$\text{CH}_2\text{O}\text{--NH}_2$	RCCSD(T)	−680.25	−986.33	−718.65	−334.85	−123.10
	UCCSD(T)	−684.04	−988.17	−719.16	−334.95	−123.11
$\text{H}_2\text{O}\text{--Na}$	RCCSD(T)	−607.32	−1749.21	−1260.31	−512.76	−134.42
	UCCSD(T)	−610.12	−1751.20	−1261.19	−512.97	−134.44
$\text{H}_2\text{O}\text{--OH}$	RCCSD(T)	−1296.08	−1915.55	−1330.98	−590.42	−204.11
	UCCSD(T)	−1297.70	−1916.34	−1331.13	−590.41	−204.09
$\text{H}_2\text{O}\text{--O}_2\text{H}$	RCCSD(T)	−2252.65	−2571.60	−1574.41	−670.40	−232.13
	UCCSD(T)	−2269.42	−2581.94	−1579.12	−672.48	−232.94
Li– $\text{NH}_3\text{(gm)}$	RCCSD(T)	−3826.68	−4931.40	−3784.43	−1666.82	−419.58
	UCCSD(T)	−3829.95	−4934.60	−3786.96	−1668.10	−419.78

mixed						
Li–O <sub>2</sub>	RCCSD(T)	−11.12	−34.25	−23.72	−7.07	−1.11
	UCCSD(T)	−11.45	−34.48	−23.82	−7.09	−1.12
CN–H <sub>2</sub>	RCCSD(T)	−10.64	−48.26	−28.25	−7.71	−1.26
	UCCSD(T)	−11.39	−48.68	−28.37	−7.70	−1.21
Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (lm)	RCCSD(T)	−82.89	−100.79	−71.75	−25.30	−4.27
	UCCSD(T)	−83.89	−101.24	−71.82	−25.31	−4.27
H <sub>2</sub> O–O <sub>2</sub> (gm)	RCCSD(T)	−43.86	−213.72	−125.44	−35.87	−6.61
	UCCSD(T)	−52.82	−219.18	−126.93	−36.13	−6.63
Na–Li	RCCSD(T)	−206.77	−256.39	−186.36	−74.30	−14.12
	UCCSD(T)	−206.77	−256.40	−186.36	−74.30	−14.12
CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	RCCSD(T)	−160.24	−258.06	−131.87	−36.16	−6.38
	UCCSD(T)	−162.05	−259.04	−132.18	−36.18	−6.39
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> –CO <sub>2</sub>	RCCSD(T)	−293.74	−628.70	−409.56	−139.87	−31.11
	UCCSD(T)	−297.73	−630.68	−410.14	−139.97	−31.10
He <sub>2</sub> *	RCCSD(T)	−832.67	−1022.40	−783.37	−358.79	−86.10
	UCCSD(T)	−832.67	−1022.40	−783.37	−358.79	−86.10
HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	RCCSD(T)	−8447	−10 078	−7600	−3681	−1628
	UCCSD(T)	−8479	−10 137	−7687	−3703	−1628

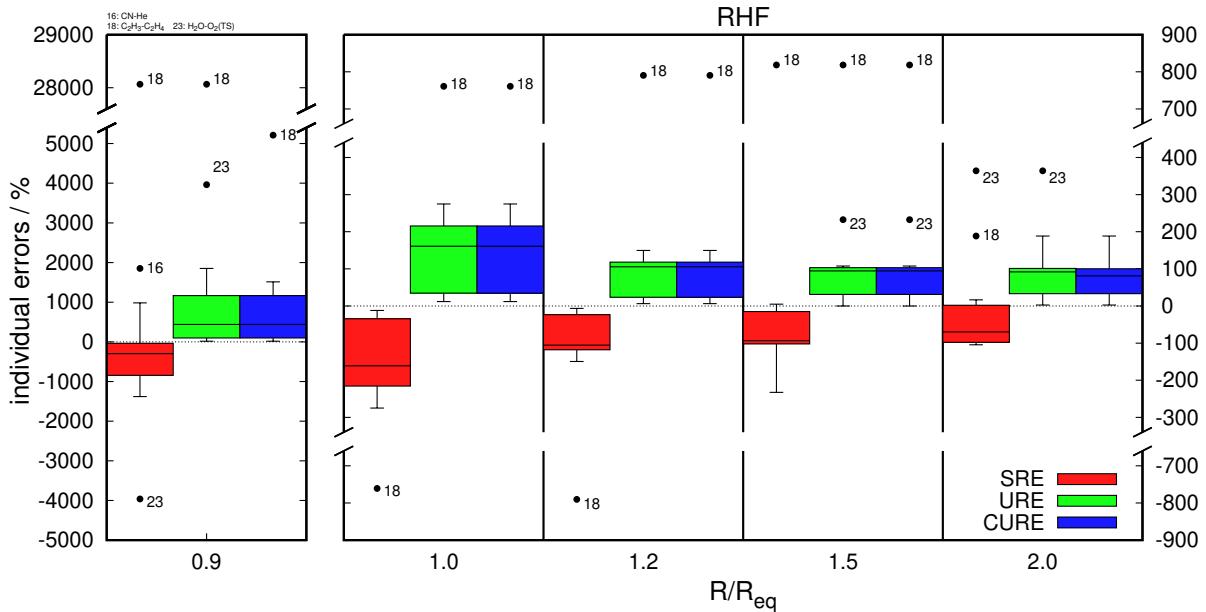


Figure S2: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the restricted open-shell Hartree-Fock level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

Table S16: Relative difference of interaction energies obtained with UCCSD(T) with respect to RCCSD(T) (defined as  $\left( E_{\text{int}}^{\text{UCCSD(T)}} - E_{\text{int}}^{\text{RCCSD(T)}} \right) / E_{\text{int}}^{\text{RCCSD(T)}} \times 100$ ). All energies were obtained with the aug-cc-pVTZ basis set.

system	$R/R_e$				
	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.5	2.0
<b>dispersion</b>					
CN–He	−2.92	1.10	0.88	0.29	−3.45
NH–He	1.78	0.29	0.14	−0.37	−3.56
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{--C}_2\text{H}_4$	−11.28	1.10	0.97	−0.82	−2.62
$\text{O}_2\text{--H}_2$	17.28	1.17	0.53	0.45	0.37
NH–Ar	0.85	0.31	0.30	0.53	0.35
CN–Ar	−5.30	0.97	0.15	0.03	−0.65
$\text{O}_2\text{--N}_2$	10.75	0.93	0.56	0.12	0.14
$\text{O}_2\text{--O}_2$	2.48	0.76	0.73	0.75	0.38
<b>electrostatic</b>					
NH–NH	0.38	0.17	0.13	0.08	0.03
$\text{CH}_2\text{O--NH}_2$	0.56	0.19	0.07	0.03	0
$\text{H}_2\text{O--Na}$	0.46	0.11	0.07	0.04	0.01
$\text{H}_2\text{O--OH}$	0.13	0.04	0.01	0	−0.01
$\text{H}_2\text{O--O}_2\text{H}$	0.74	0.40	0.30	0.31	0.35
Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (gm)	0.09	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.05
<b>mixed</b>					
Li–O <sub>2</sub>	3.04	0.66	0.41	0.39	0.38
CN–H <sub>2</sub>	7.08	0.86	0.41	−0.18	−4.30
Li–NH <sub>3</sub> (lm)	1.21	0.45	0.10	0.03	0
Na–Li	0	0	0	0	0
CO <sub>2</sub> –O <sub>2</sub>	1.13	0.38	0.24	0.05	0.16
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{--CO}_2$	1.36	0.32	0.14	0.07	−0.02
He <sub>2</sub> <sup>*</sup>	0	0	0	0	0
HF–CO <sup>+</sup>	0.38	0.58	1.13	0.60	0

Table S17: Interaction energies for the  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$  and  $\text{Na}-\text{Li}$  dimers at the MP2 and MP2c levels of theory.  $E_{\text{DISP,unc}}^{(2)}$  and  $E_{\text{DISP,cpld}}^{(2)}$  denote the sum of second-order dispersion and exchange-dispersion interaction energy contributions calculated at the SAPT(UHF) level of theory in the uncoupled and coupled approximations, respectively. MP2c denotes the MP2 interaction energy corrected for the coupled dispersion. Both MP2 and RCCSD(T) results are extrapolated to the CBS limit, the latter being the benchmark. SAPT(UHF) calculations were performed in the aug-cc-pVQZ and d-aug-cc-pVQZ basis sets for  $\text{Na}-\text{Li}$  and  $\text{He}^*-\text{He}^*$ , respectively. All energies in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

$R/R_{\text{eq}}$	He( <sup>3</sup> S)-He( <sup>3</sup> S)					RCCSD(T)
	$E_{\text{DISP,unc}}^{(2)}$	$E_{\text{DISP,cpld}}^{(2)}$	MP2	MP2c		
0.9	-744.0	-2331	-135.6	-1722		-826.9
1.0	-537.7	-1771	-373.8	-1609		-1019
1.2	-287.5	-996.4	-290.3	-1001		-790.2
1.5	-109.7	-381.9	-106.1	-379.0		-341.3
2.0	-21.95	-76.82	-20.75	-75.85		-74.18
Na-Li						
0.9	-335.4	-848.9	113.5	-400.2		-210.4
1.0	-226.7	-587.5	-5.76	-366.5		-259.3
1.2	-104.9	-276.3	-50.70	-222.1		-188.2
1.5	-32.26	-86.91	-26.98	-81.31		-75.17
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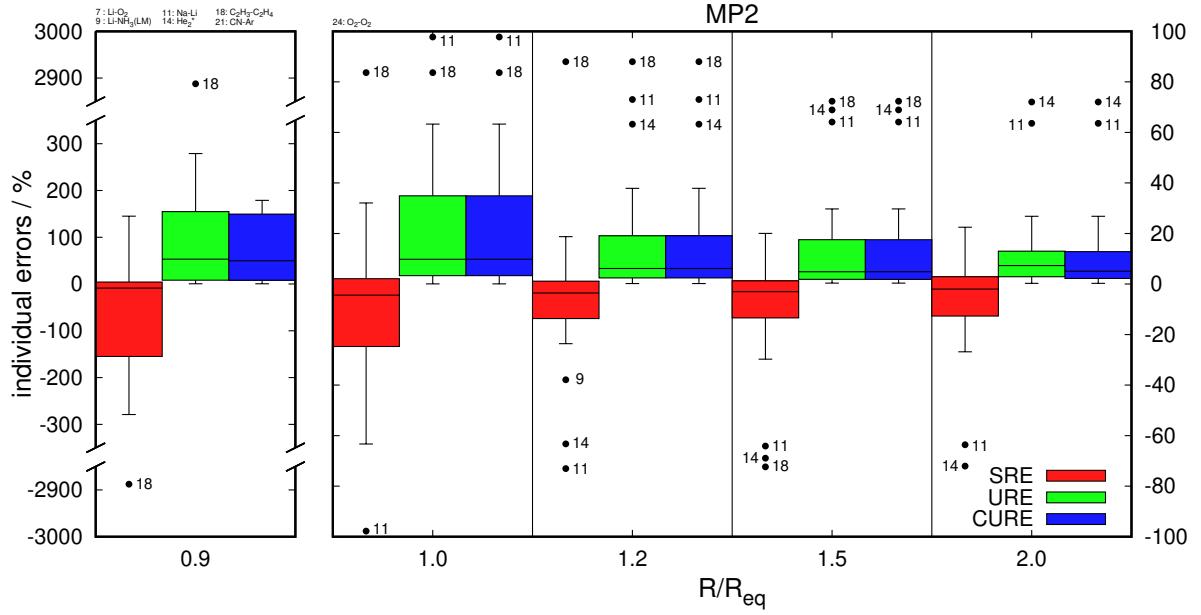


Figure S3: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the restricted open-shell MP2 level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

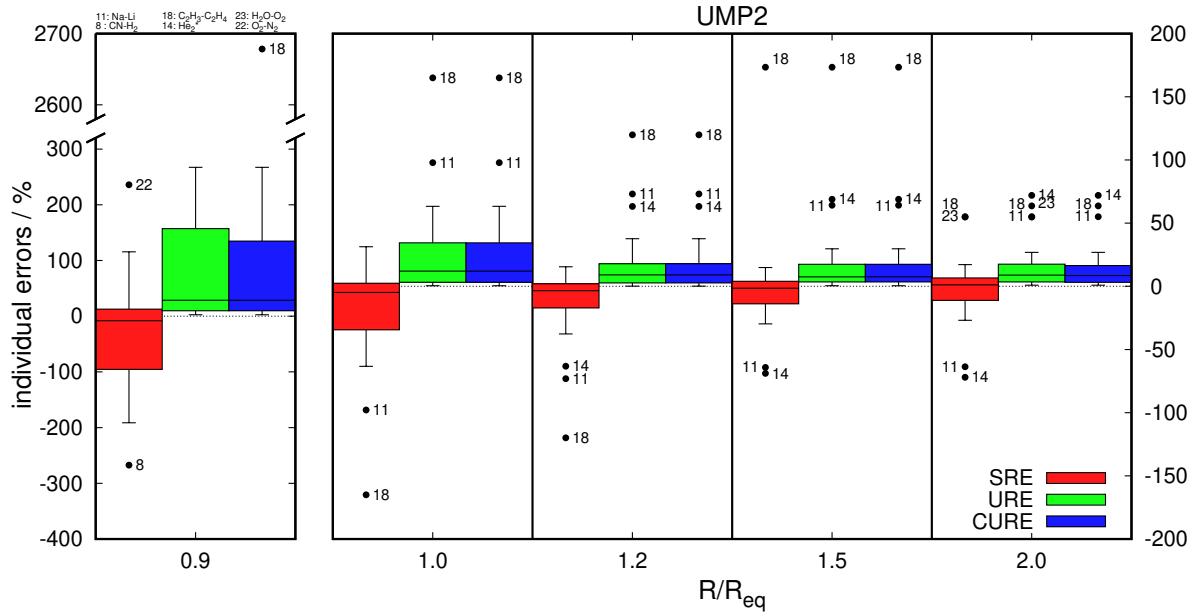


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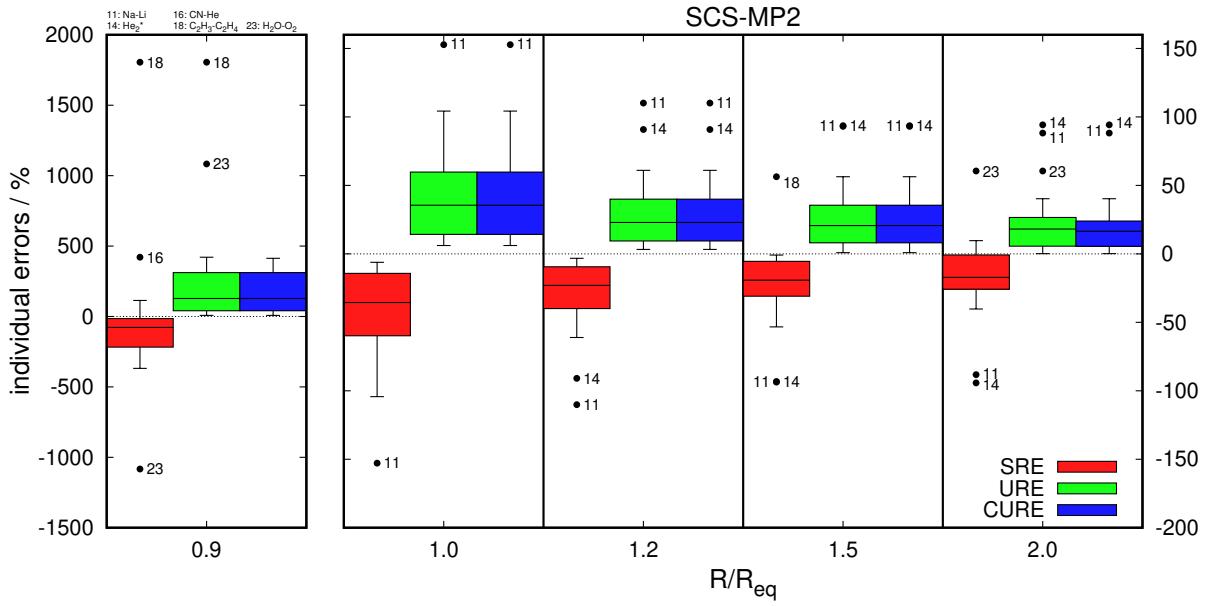


Figure S5: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the SCS-MP2 level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

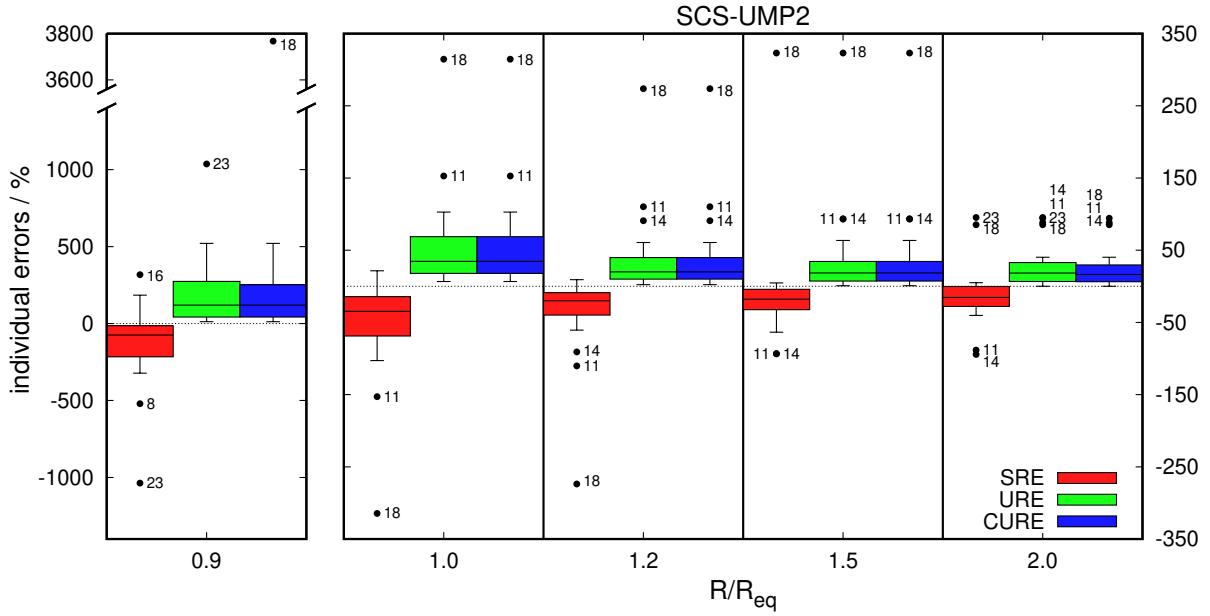


Figure S6: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the SCS-UMP2 level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

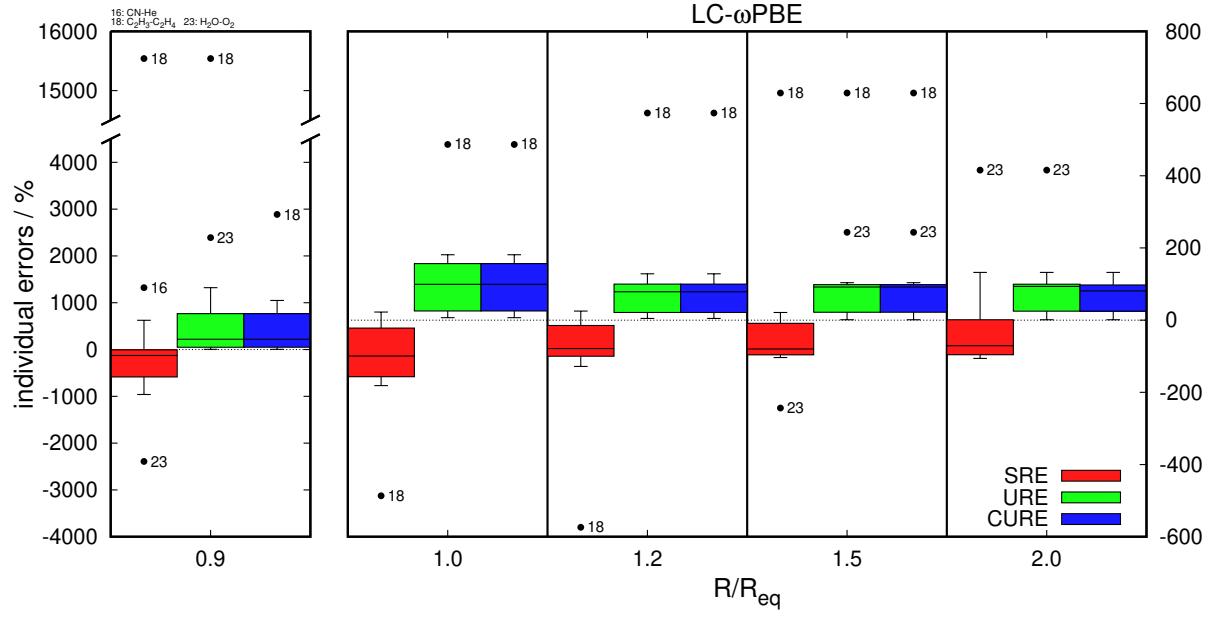


Figure S7: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the LC- $\omega$ PBE level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

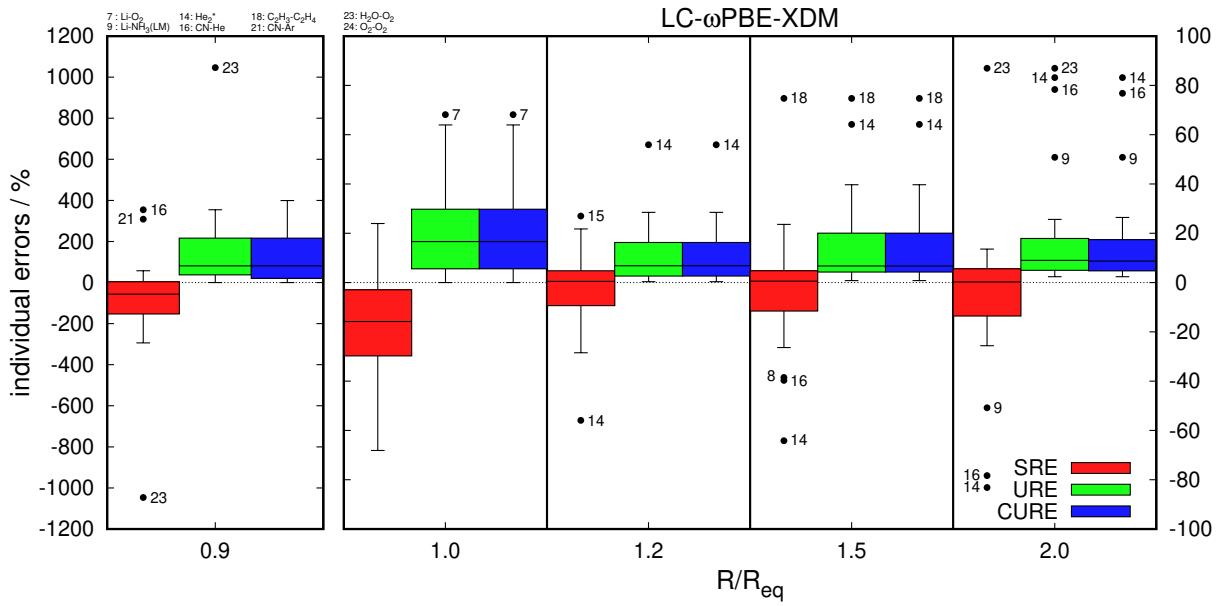


Figure S8: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the LC- $\omega$ PBE level of theory with the XDM dispersion correction for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

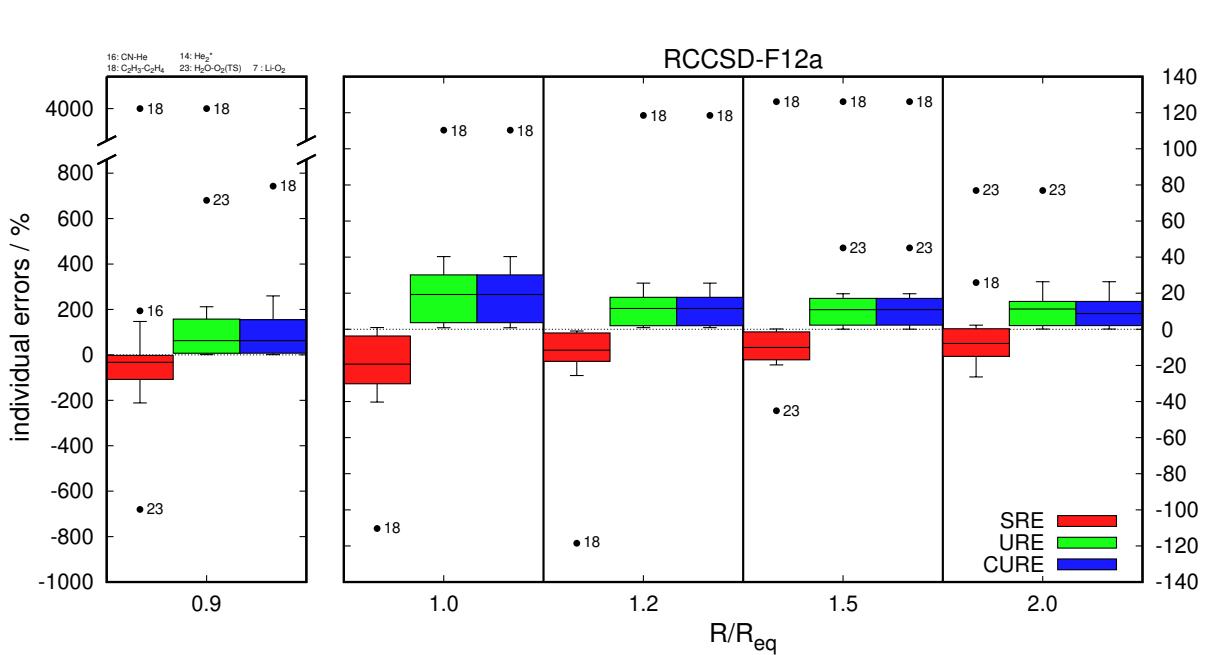
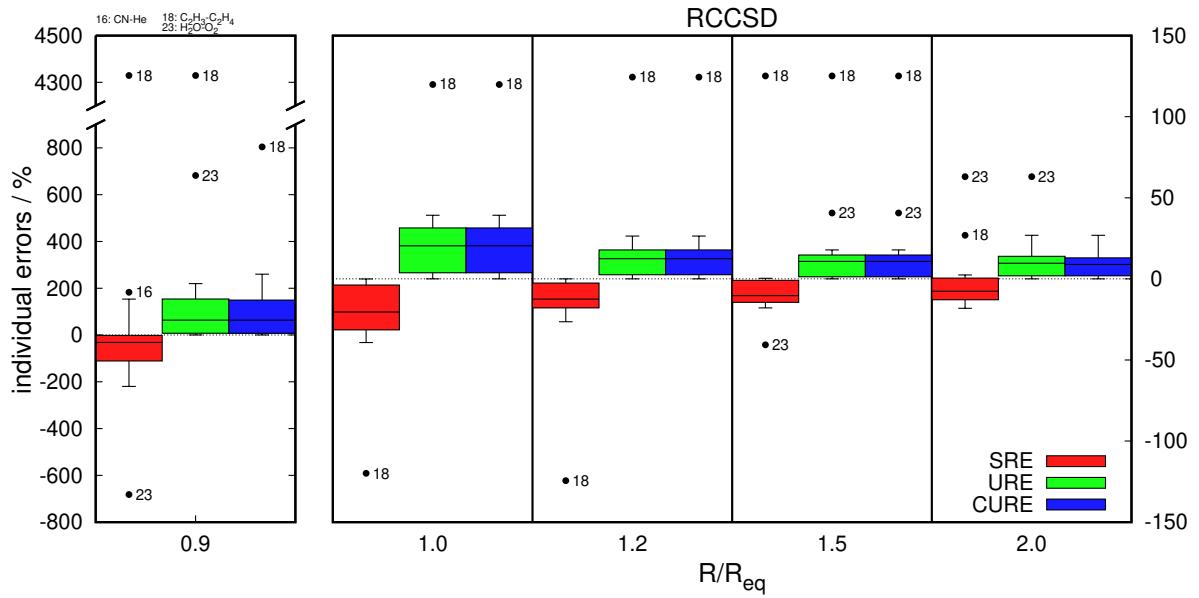
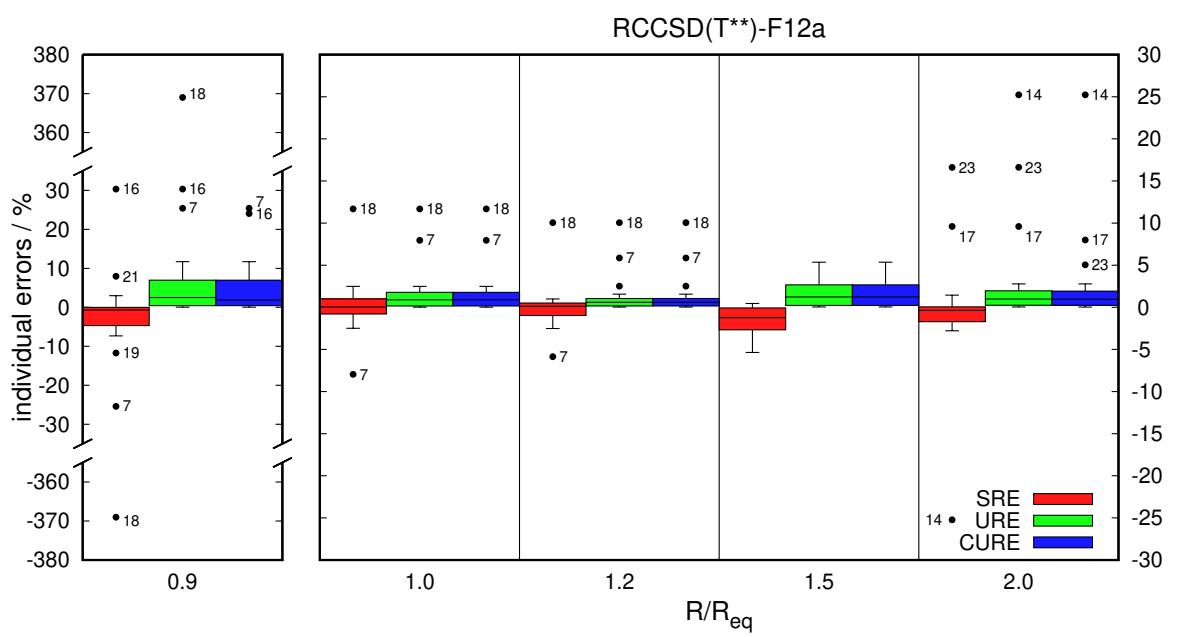
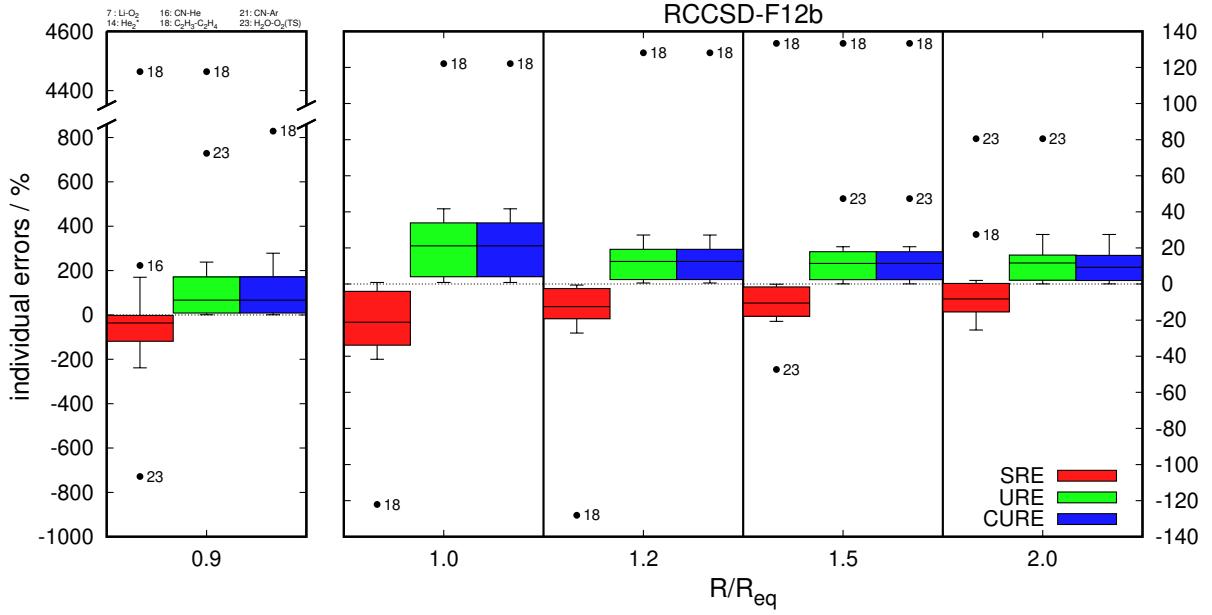


Figure S10: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the RCCSD-F12a level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.



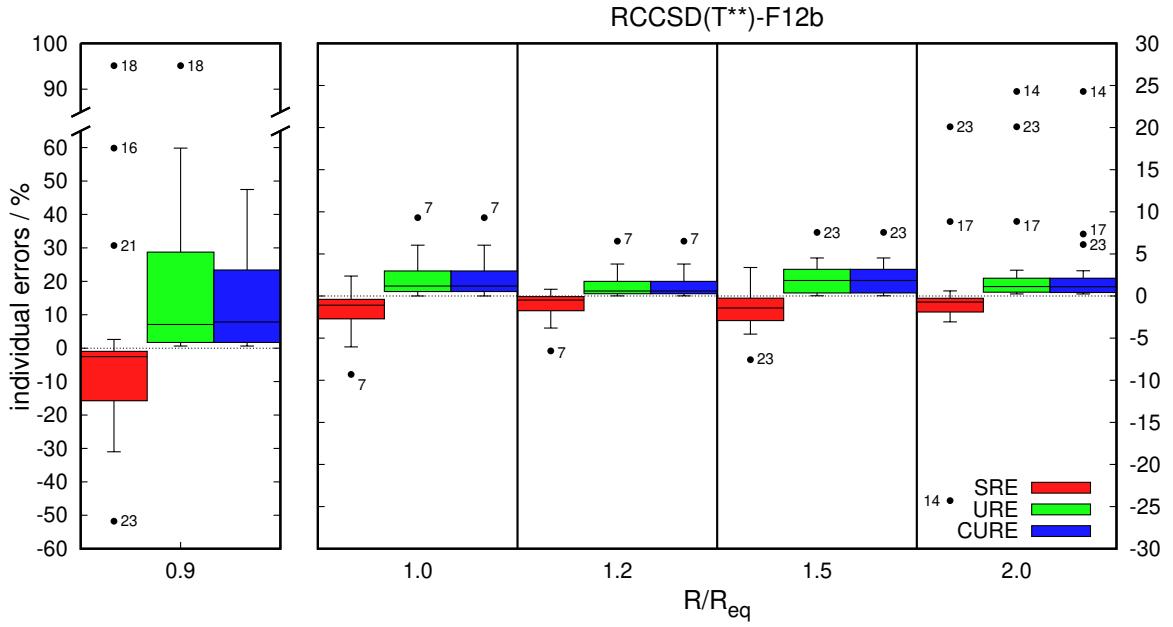


Figure S13: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the RCCSD(T<sup>\*\*</sup>)-F12b level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

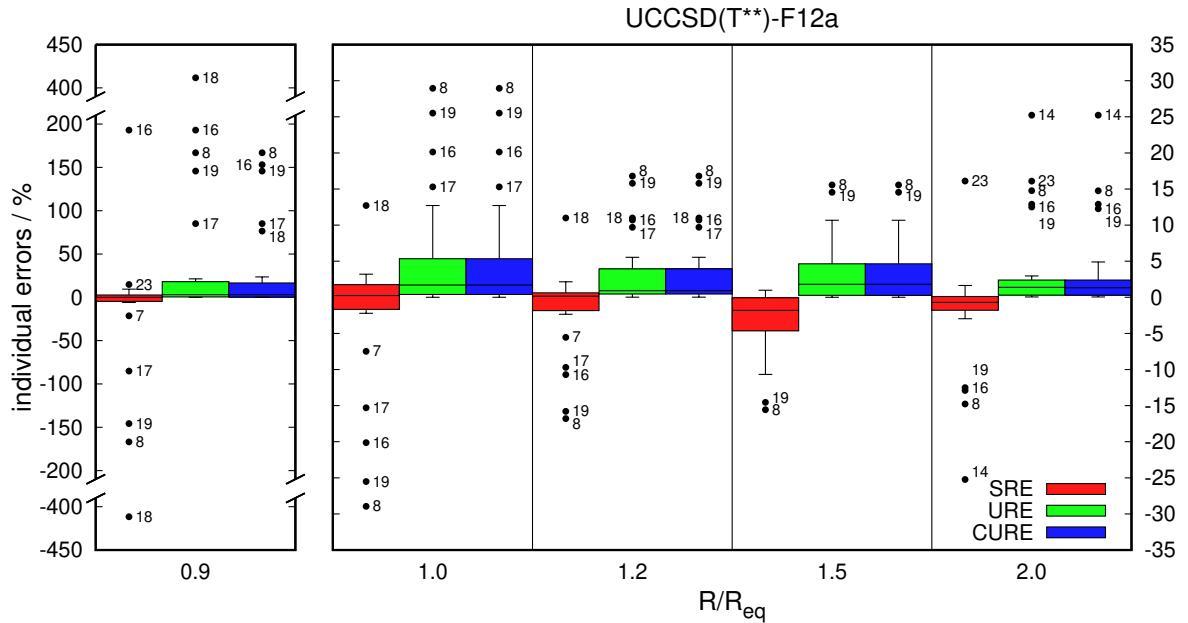


Figure S14: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the UCCSD(T<sup>\*\*</sup>)-F12a level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

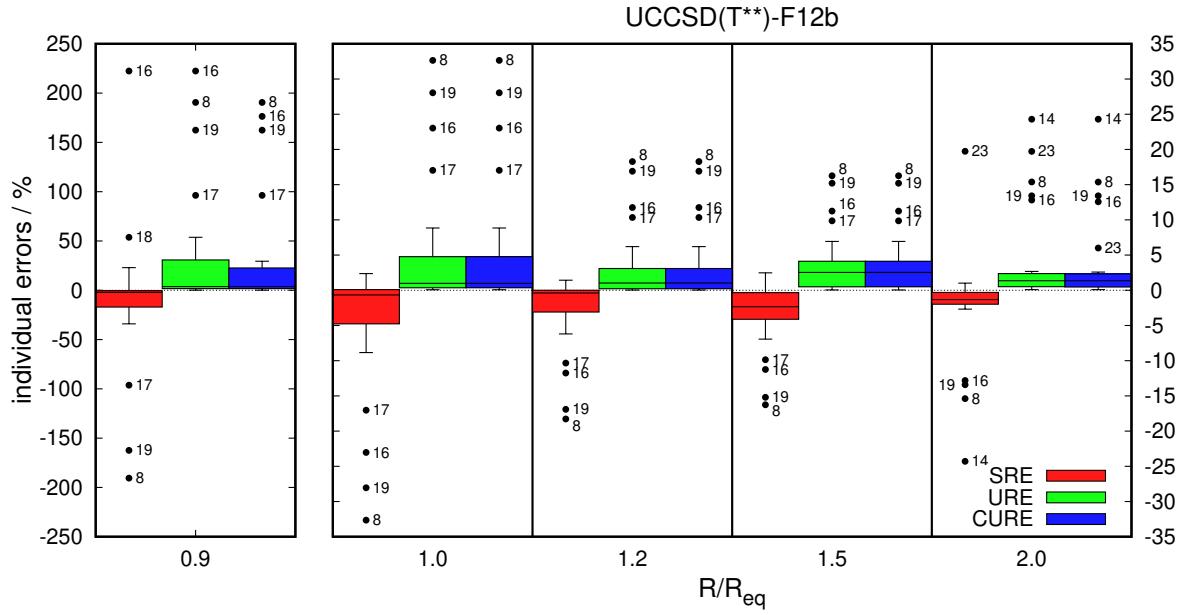


Figure S15: Box plot of signed relative error (SRE), unsigned relative error (URE) and capped unsigned relative error (CURE) (in percent) in the interaction energies at the UCCSD(T<sup>\*\*</sup>)-F12b level of theory for the O24x5 data set. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

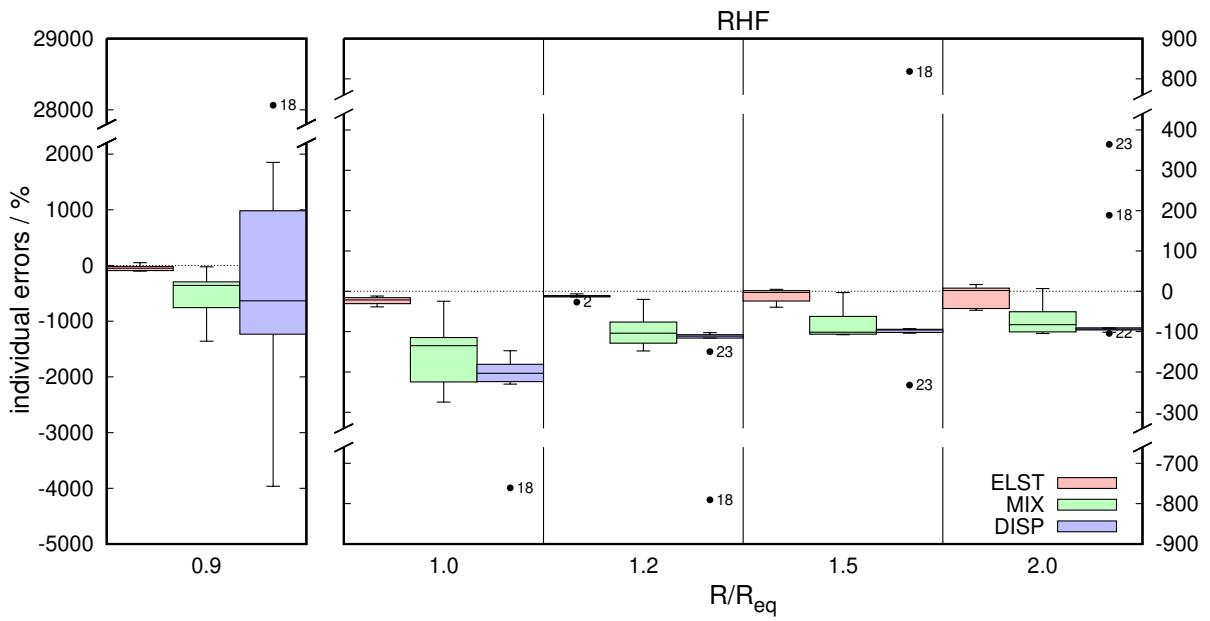


Figure S16: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the ROHF level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

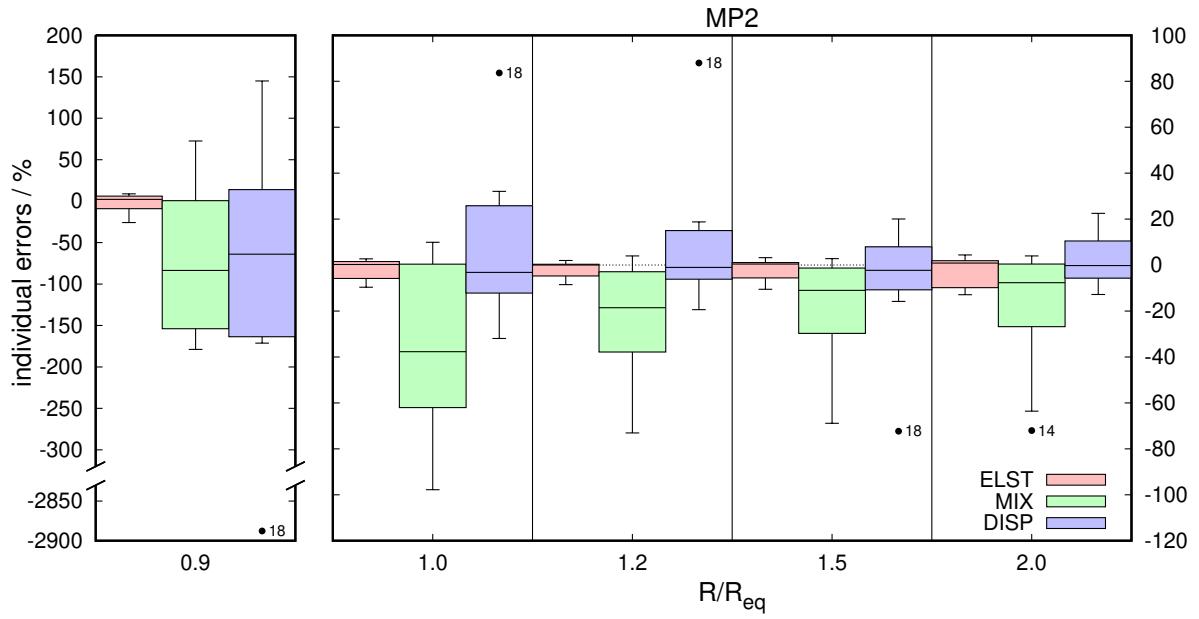


Figure S17: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the MP2 level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

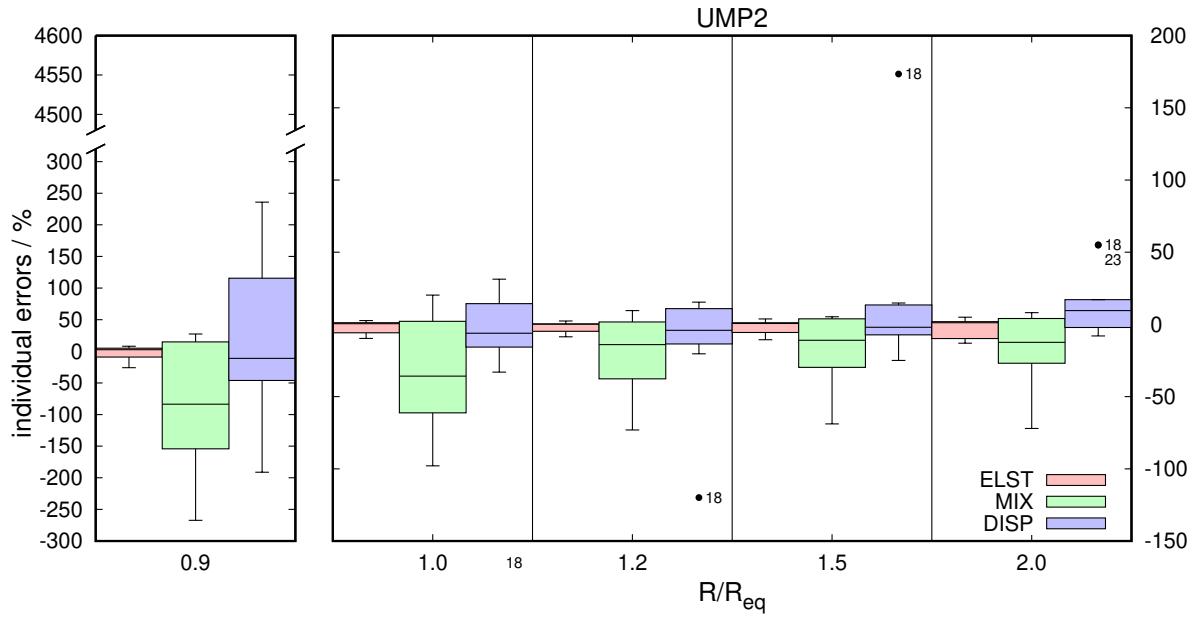


Figure S18: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE) in percent in the interaction energies at the UMP2 level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

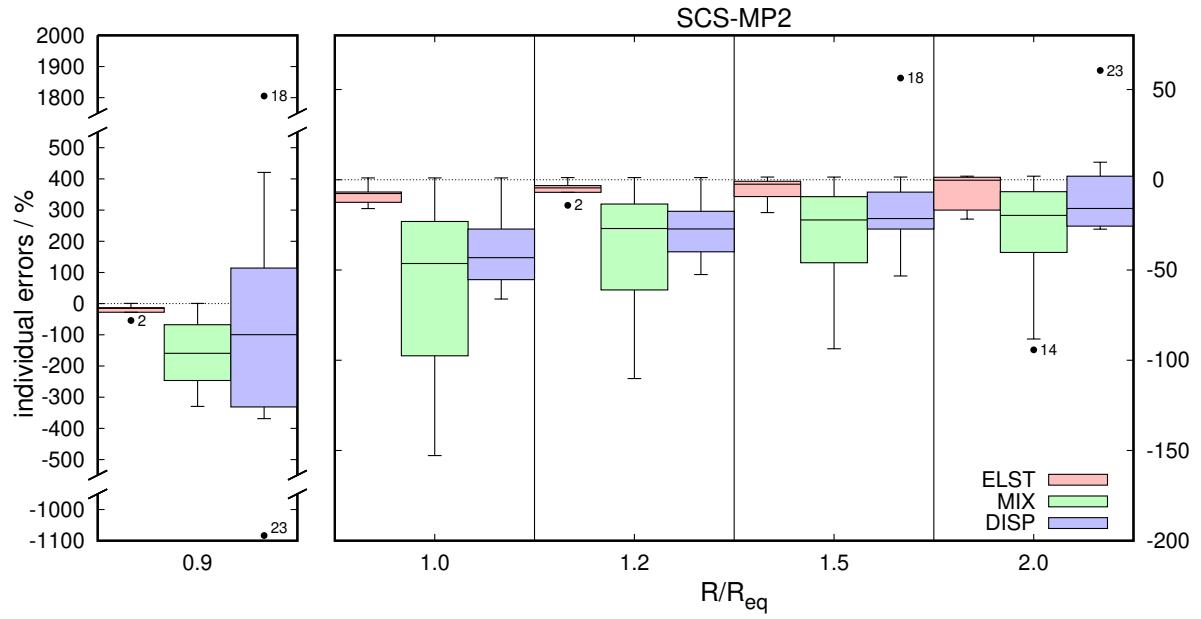


Figure S19: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the SCS-MP2 level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

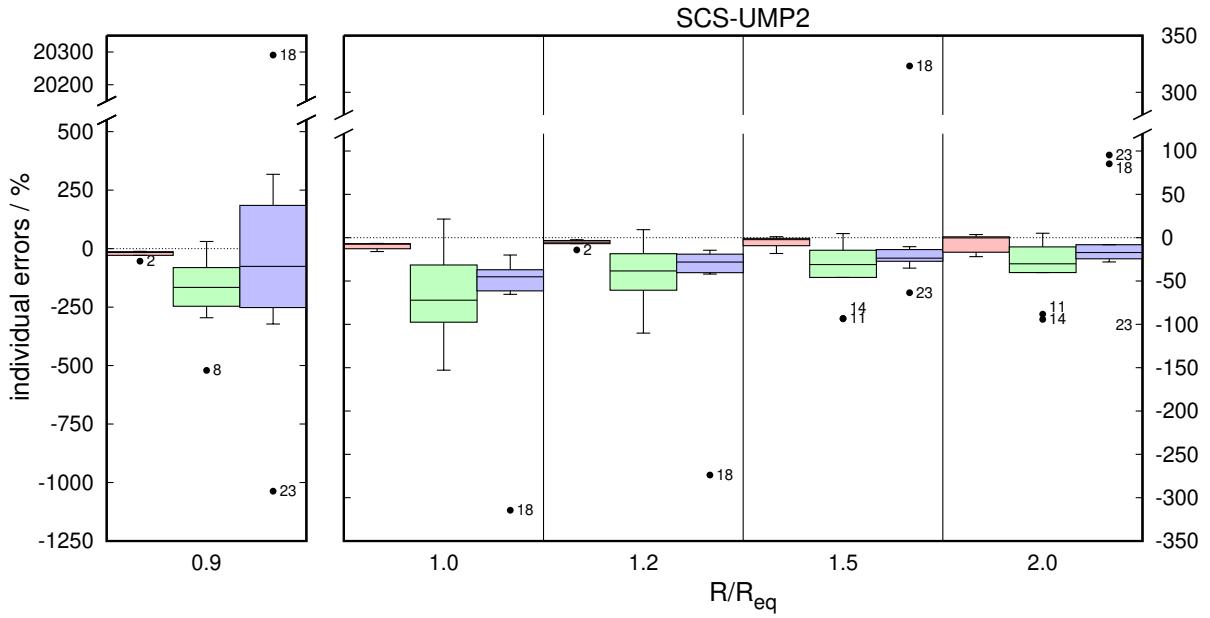


Figure S20: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the SCS-UMP2 level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

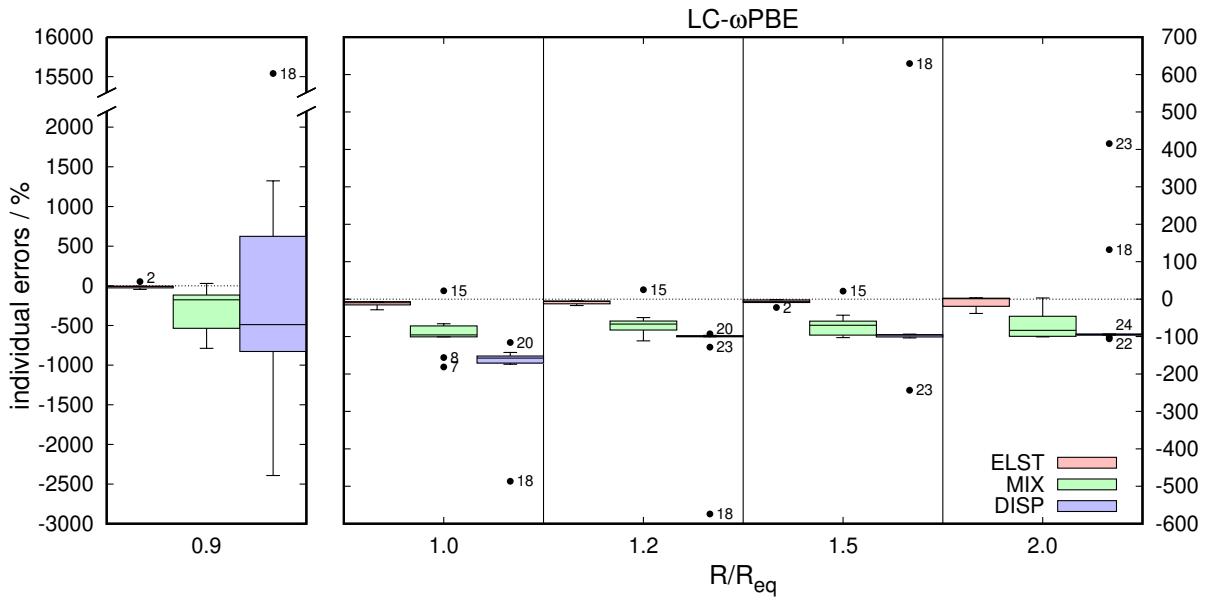


Figure S21: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the LC- $\omega$ PBE level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

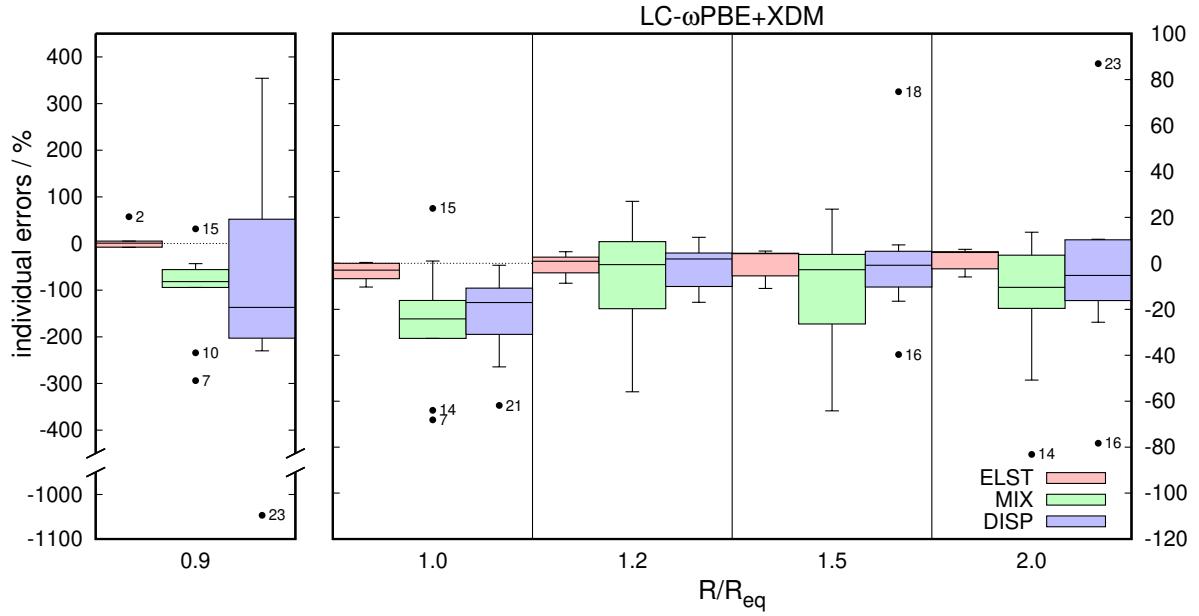


Figure S22: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the LC- $\omega$ PBE+XDM level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

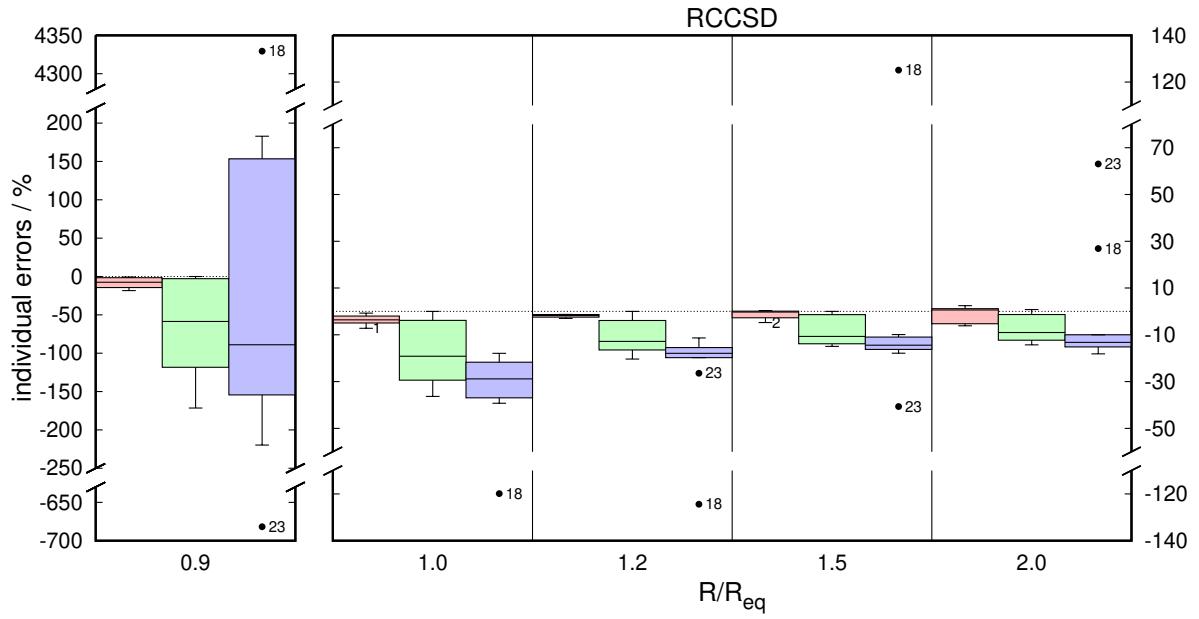


Figure S23: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the RCCSD level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

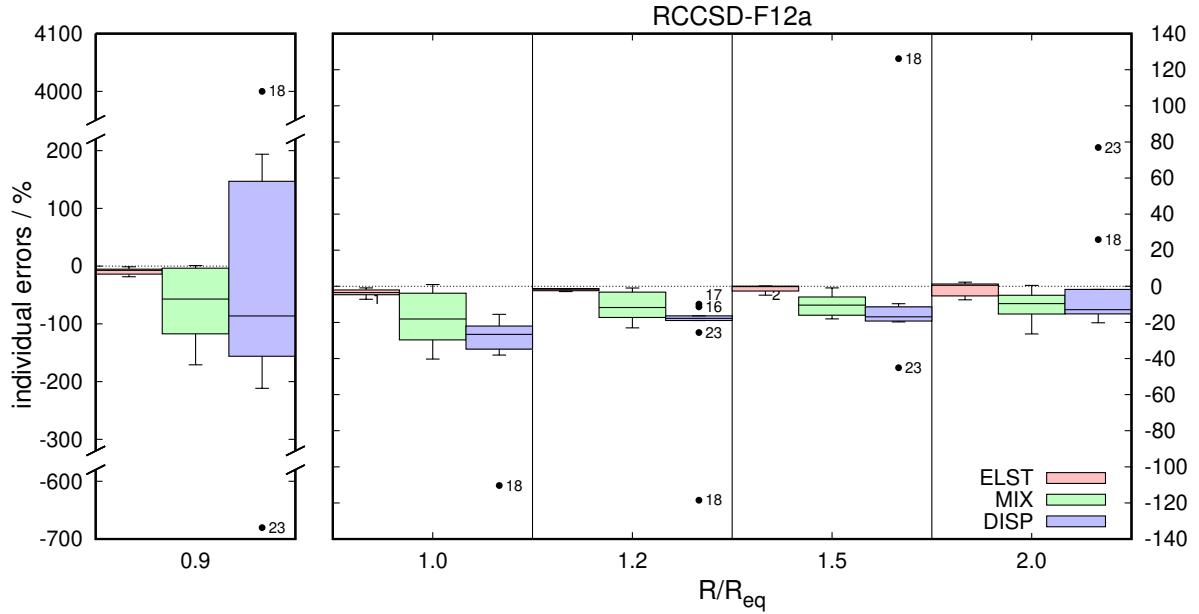


Figure S24: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE) in the interaction energies at the RCCSD-F12a level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

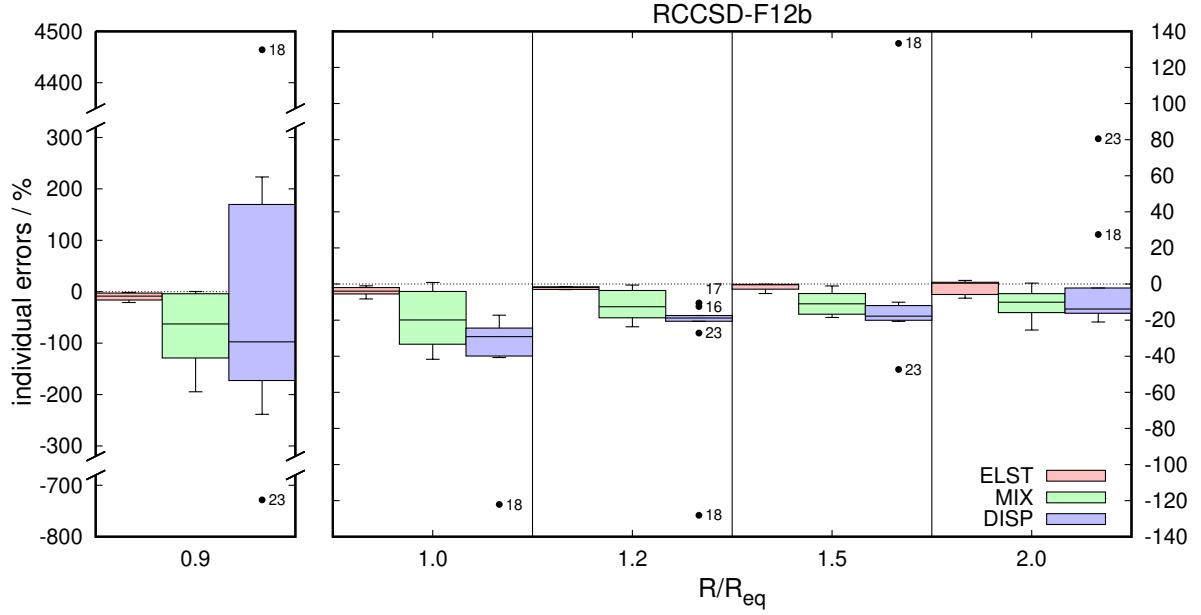


Figure S25: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the RCCSD-F12b level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

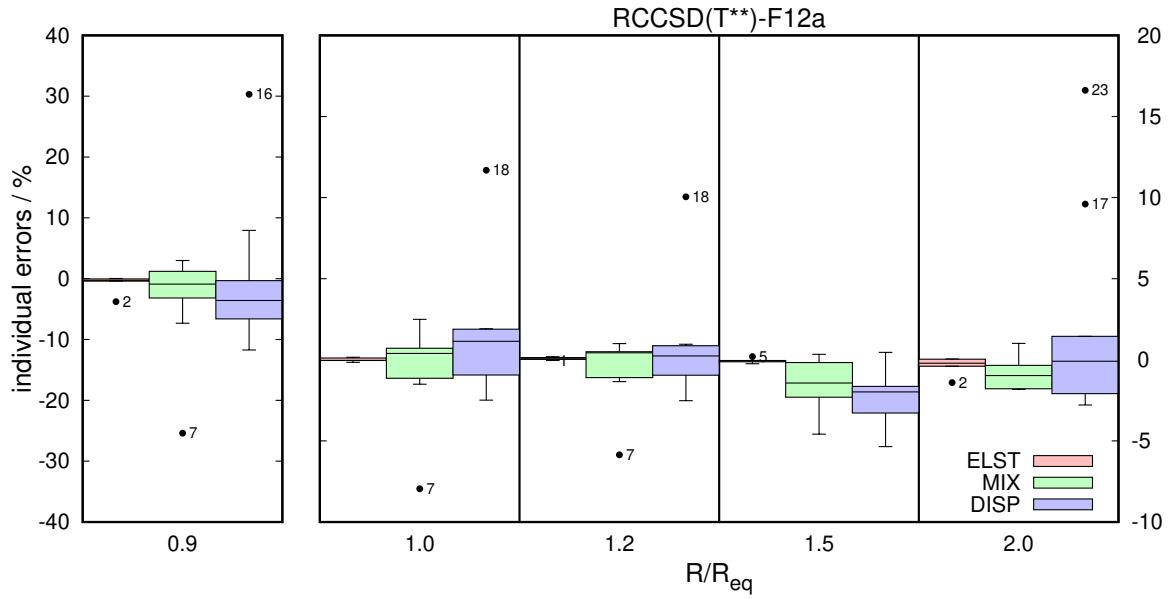


Figure S26: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the RCCSD(T\*\*)-F12a level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

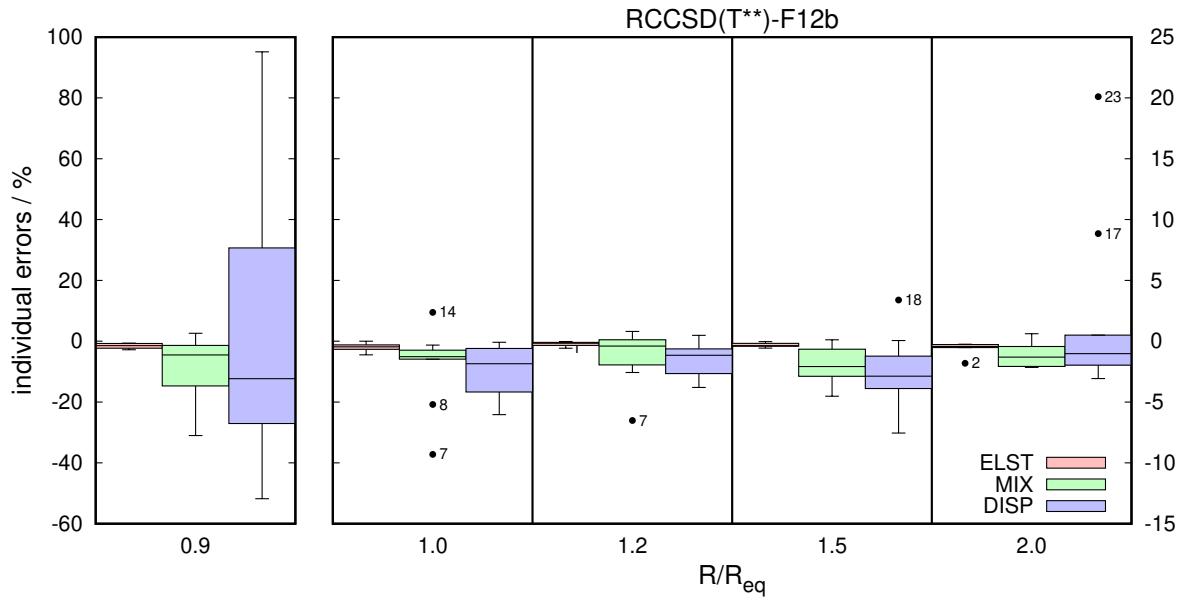


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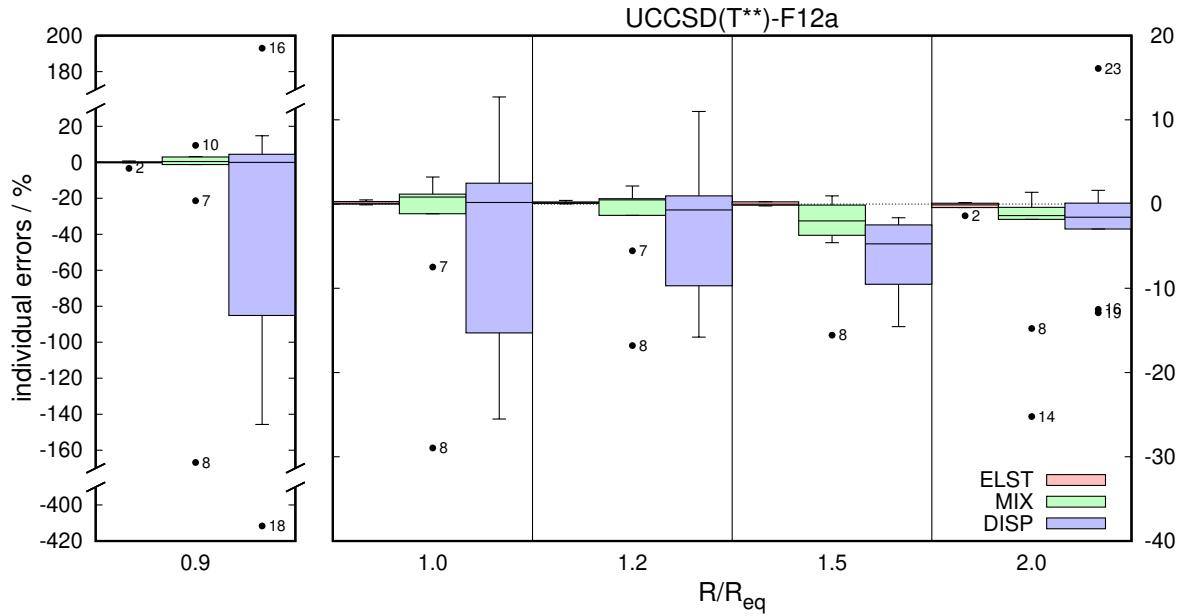


Figure S28: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the UCCSD(T\*\*)-F12a level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.

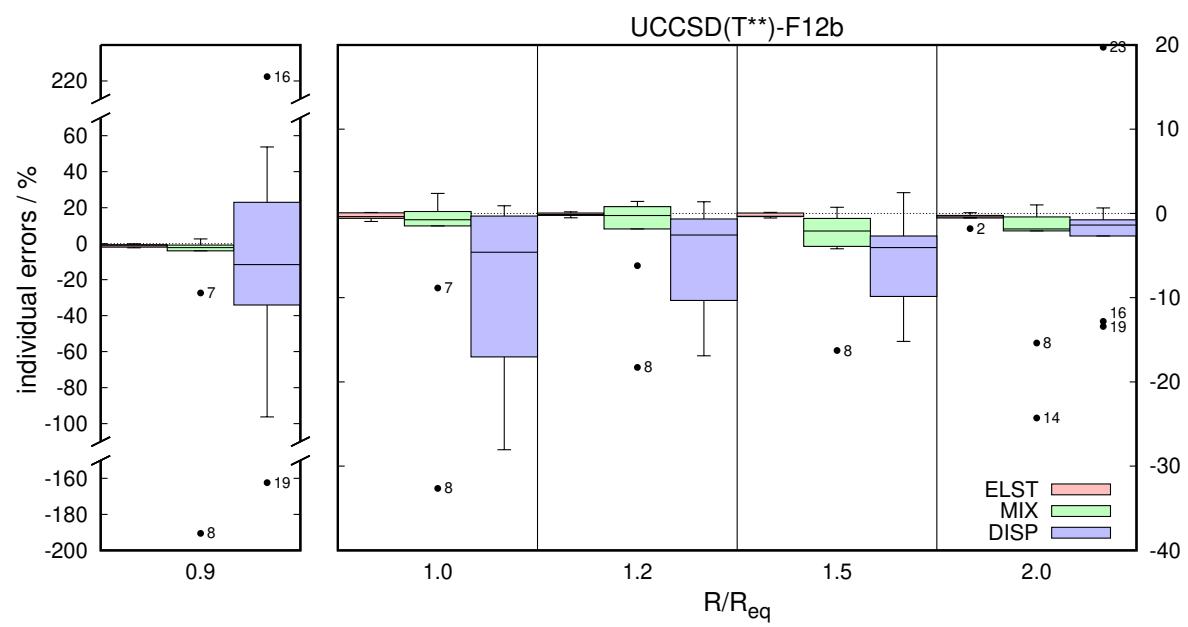


Figure S29: Box plot of signed relative errors (SRE, in percent) in the interaction energies at the UCCSD(T\*\*)-F12b level of theory for the O24x5 data set divided in the electrostatic (ELST), mixed (MIX) and dispersion (DISP) subsets. The box and outer fences encompass 50% and 95% of the distribution, respectively. Outliers are labeled according to the order of systems given in Tables S3-S12.