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Outer electronic shell visualization by the Laplacian of helium chemical shift

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In the toolbox of a modern quantum chemist there are a few methods of outer electronic shells visualization, among them are constructing and analysis of maps of molecular electrostatic potential (MESP),^[1] and electron localization function (ELF).^[2] We propose a different visualization method which can be briefly described as follows: the space around a studied species is probed by ³He atom, and in each point helium chemical shift is calculated. It has previously been shown, that for fluorine-containing molecules^[3,4] Laplacian of ³He chemical shift is sensitive to such features of electronic shells as lone pairs. Proposed approach has significant advances compared with standard quantum mechanical approaches – Laplacian of helium chemical shift preserves its sensitivity to lone pair regions at significantly larger distances (>1.5–2 Å), and its maximal values could be used to quantitatively estimate the electron-rich character of lone pairs. In this work, we extend a set of studied objects to the "classical" molecules with localized lone pairs – NH₃, H₂C=NH, HCN, H₂O, H₂C=O, H₃P, H₂S etc.



3D isosurface of Laplacian of ³He chemical shift $\nabla^2 \delta_{He}$ near fluoroacetylene ($\nabla^2 \delta_{He} = 8 \text{ ppm/Å}^2$). Dashed line indicates maximum values of $\nabla^2 \delta_{He}$.

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