

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Theoretical investigation of the S_N2 mechanism of X⁻ [X = SH, PH₂] +

CH₃Y [Y = F, Cl, Br, I] reactions in water solution

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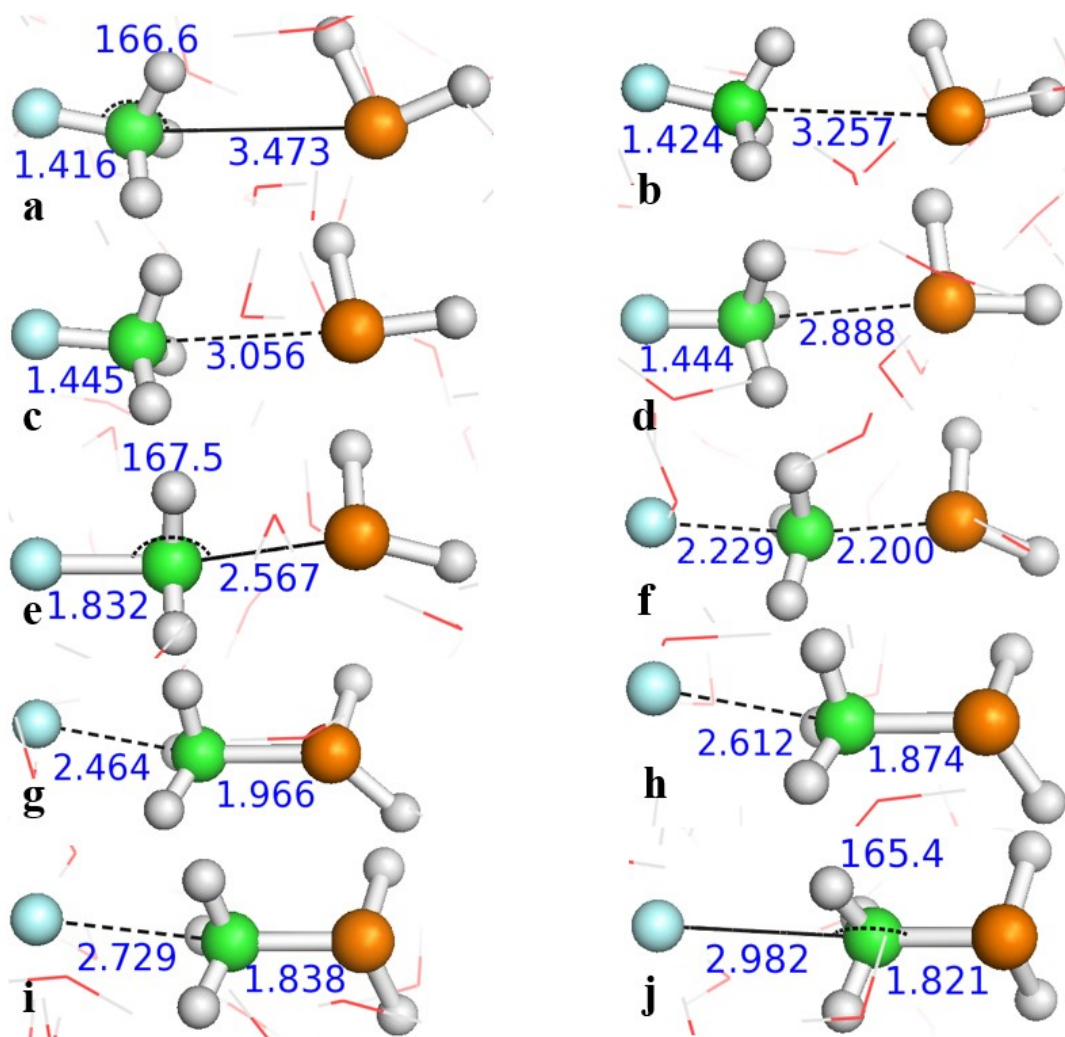


Fig. S1 Structural evolution along the NEB reaction path for the $\text{PH}_2^- + \text{CH}_3\text{F}$ reaction in water solution. No. a is the reactant complex, No. e is the transition state, and No. j is the product complex. The units of the distances and angles are angstroms and degrees, respectively.

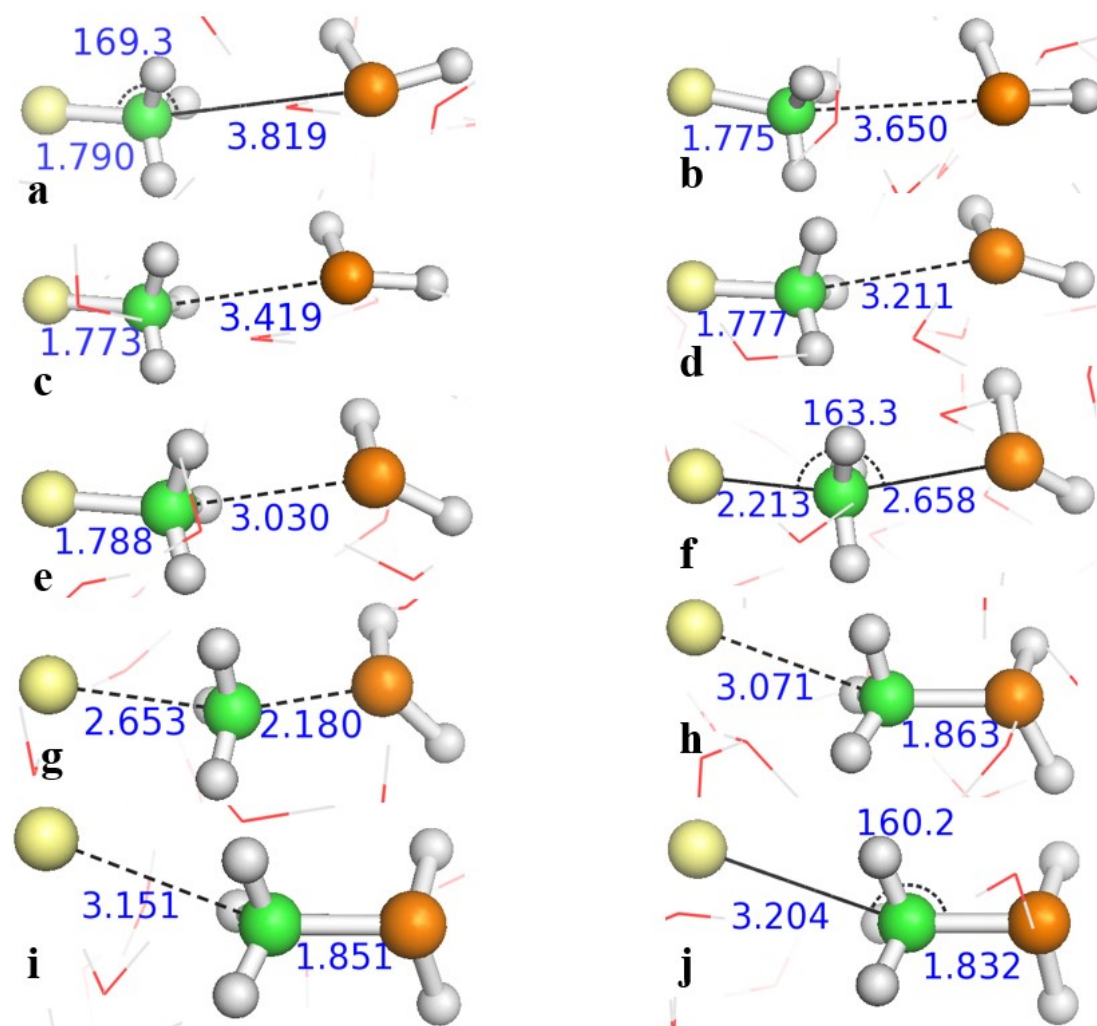


Fig. S2 Structural evolution along the NEB reaction path for the $\text{PH}_2^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$ reaction in water solution. No. a is the reactant complex, No. f is the transition state, and No. j is the product complex. The units of the distances and angles are angstroms and degrees, respectively.

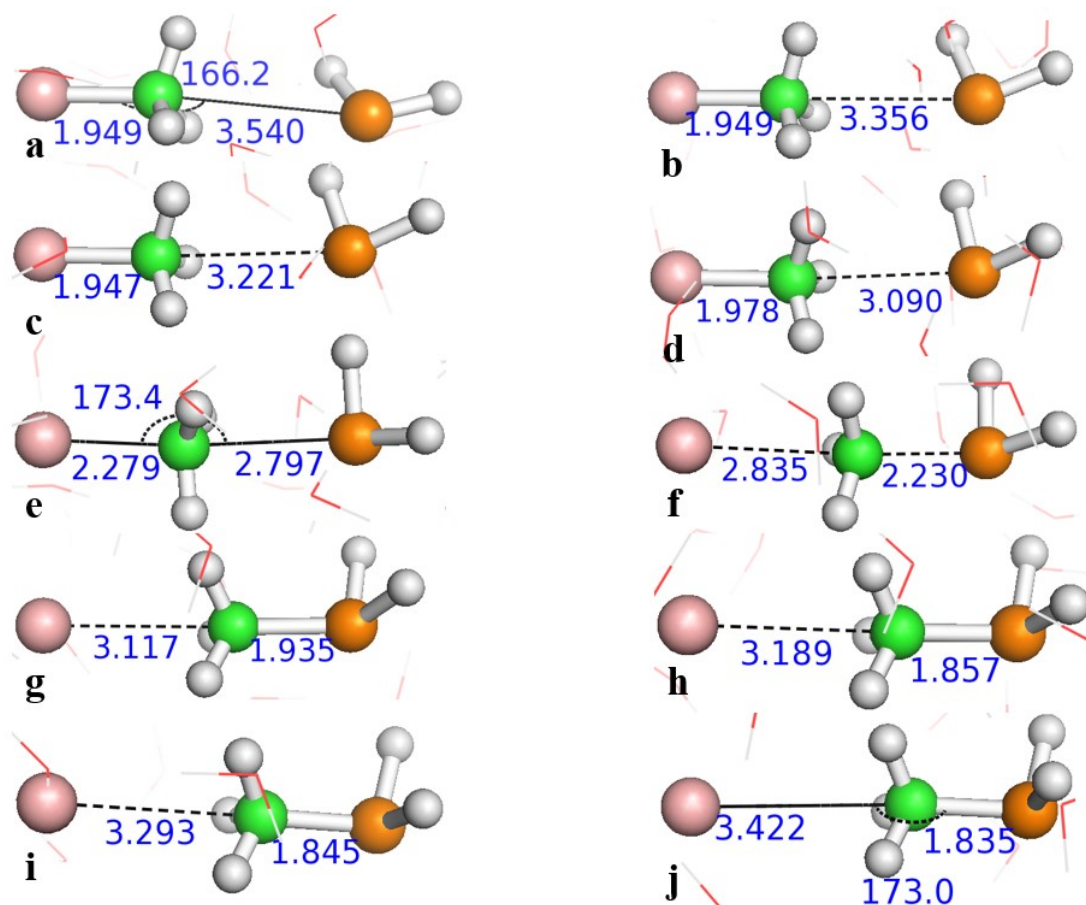


Fig. S3 Structural evolution along the NEB reaction path for the $\text{PH}_2^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ in water solution. No. a is the reactant complex, No. e is the transition state, and No. j is the product complex. The units of the distances and angles are angstroms and degrees, respectively.

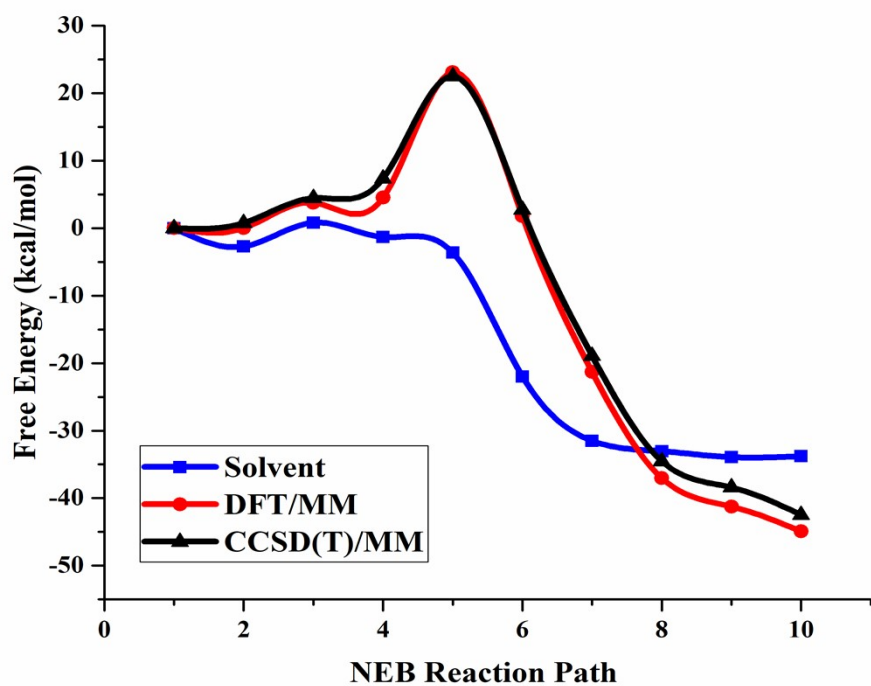


Fig. S4 The potentials of mean force calculated at DFT/MM and CCSD(T)/MM levels of theory and solvent energy contribution with the reactant complex as the energy reference point for the $\text{PH}_2^- + \text{CH}_3\text{F}$ reaction in water solution.

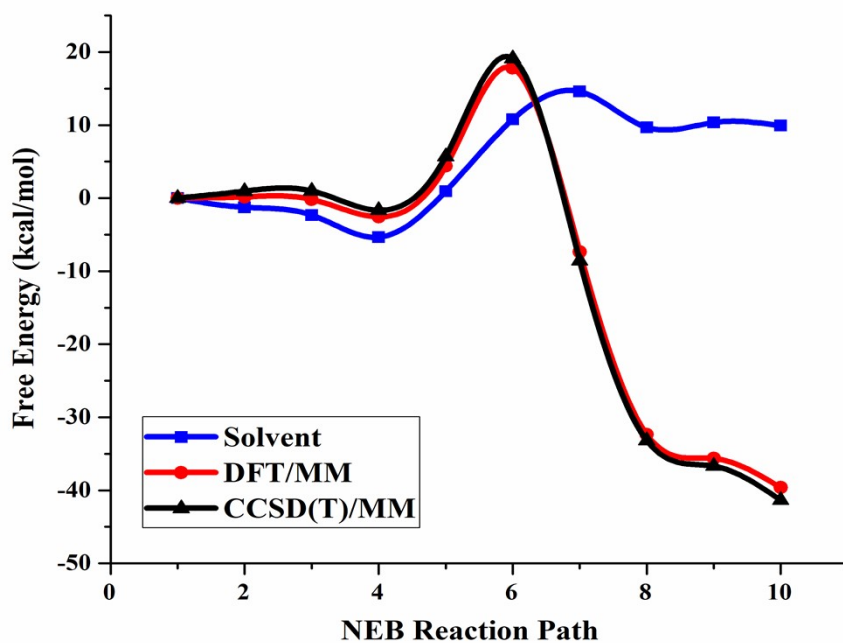


Fig. S5 The potentials of mean force calculated at DFT/MM and CCSD(T)/MM levels of theory and solvent energy contribution with the reactant complex as the energy reference point for the $\text{PH}_2^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$ reaction in water solution.

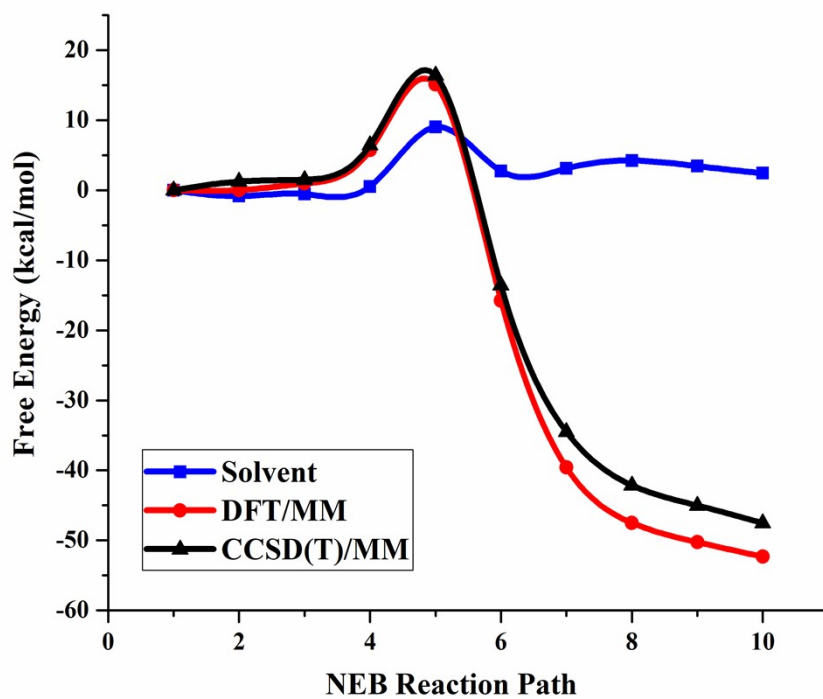


Fig. S6 The potentials of mean force calculated at DFT/MM and CCSD(T)/MM levels of theory and solvent energy contribution with the reactant complex as the energy reference point for the $\text{PH}_2^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ reaction in water solution.

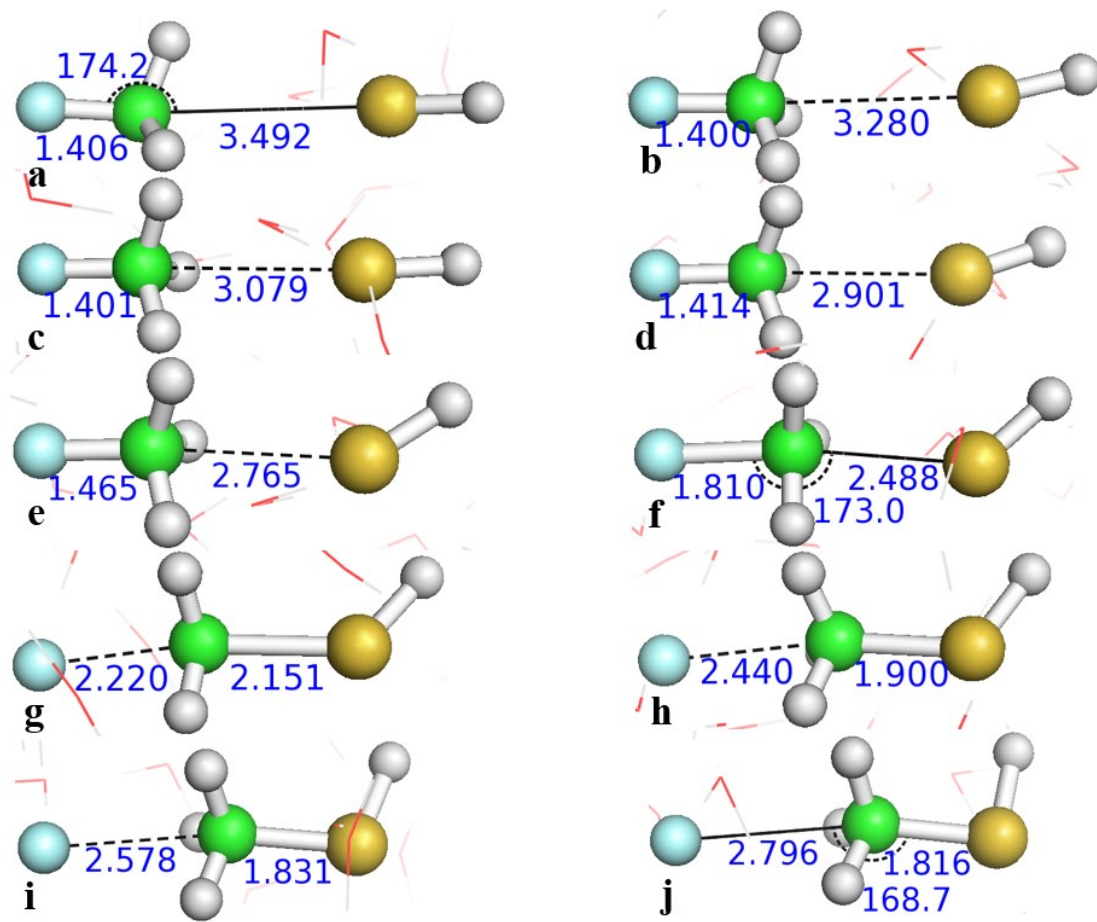


Fig. S7 Structural evolution along the NEB reaction path for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{F}$ reaction in water solution. No. a is the reactant complex, No. f is the transition state, and No. j is the product complex. The units of the distances and angles are angstroms and degrees, respectively.

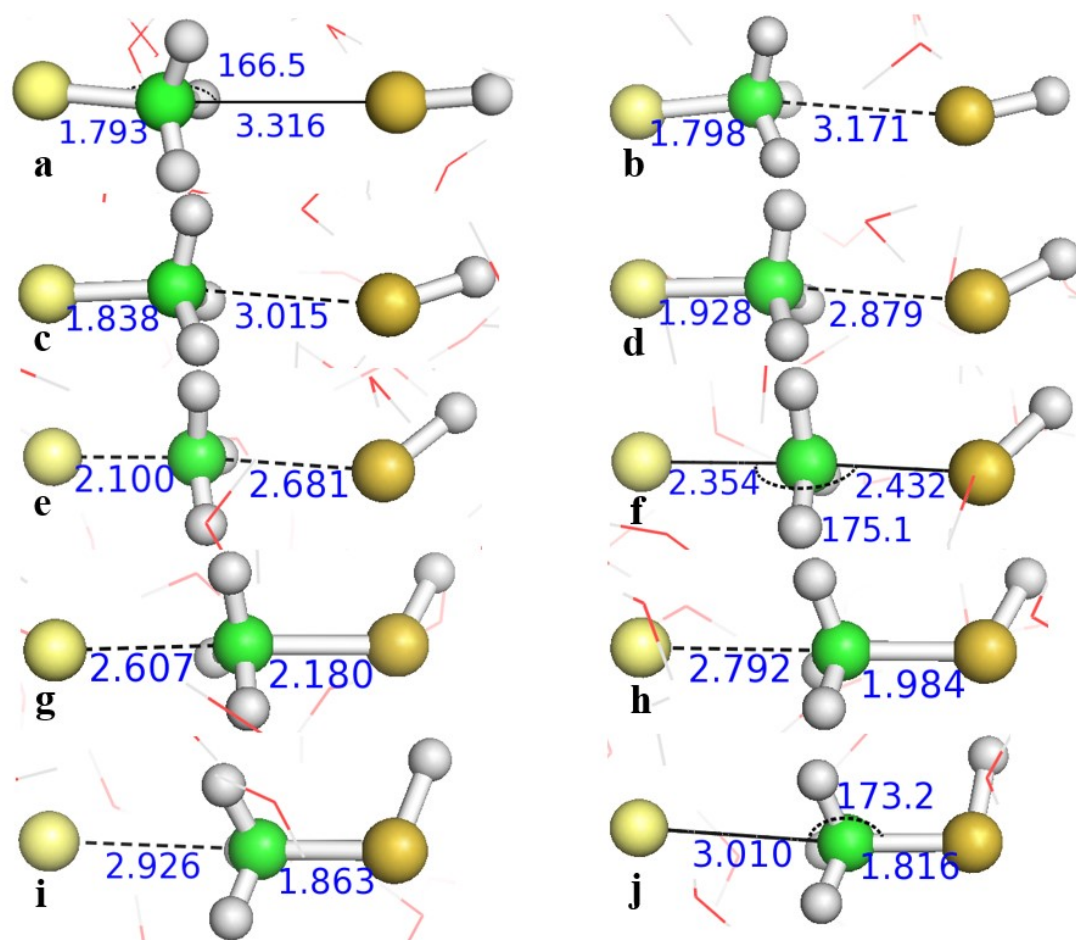


Fig. S8 Structural evolution along the NEB reaction path for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$ reaction in water solution. No. a is the reactant complex, No. f is the transition state, and No. j is the product complex. The units of the distances and angles are angstroms and degrees, respectively.

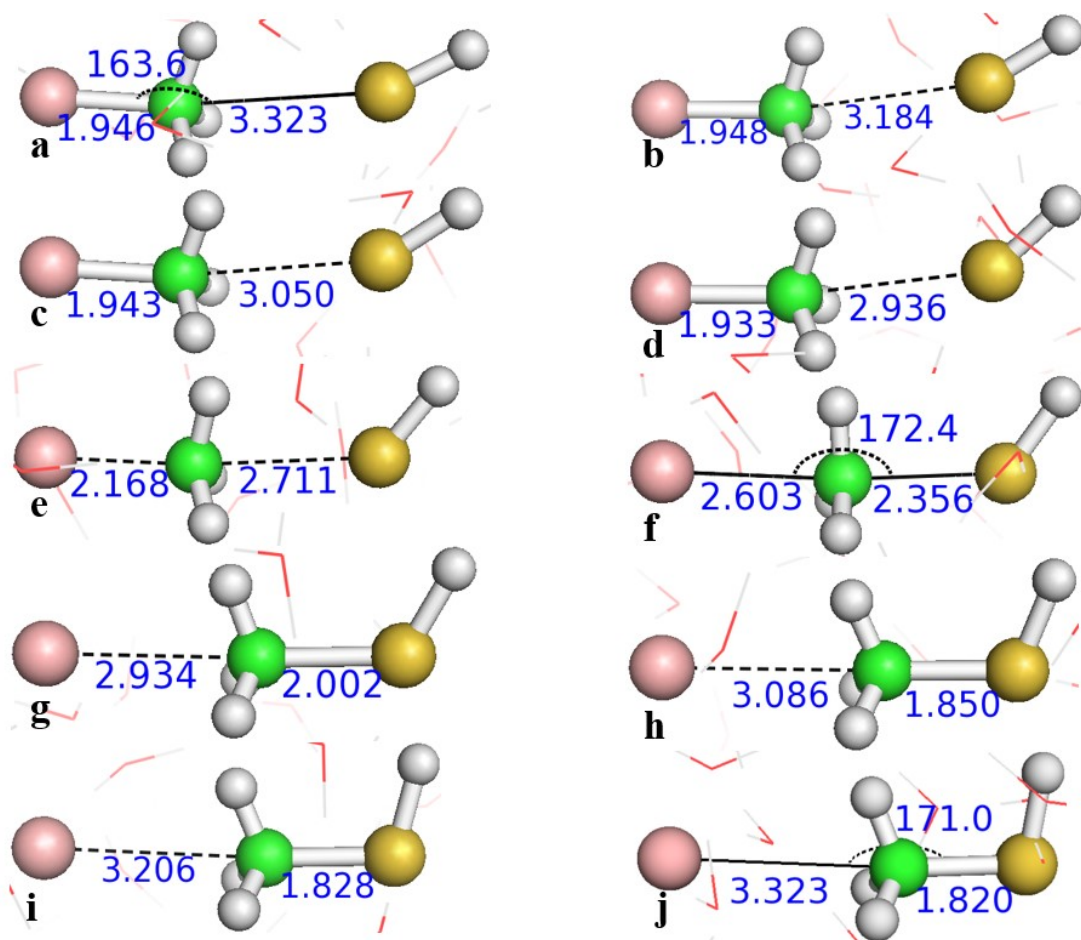


Fig. S9 Structural evolution along the NEB reaction path for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ reaction in water solution. No. a is the reactant complex, No. f is the transition state, and No. j is the product complex. The units of the distances and angles are angstroms and degrees, respectively.

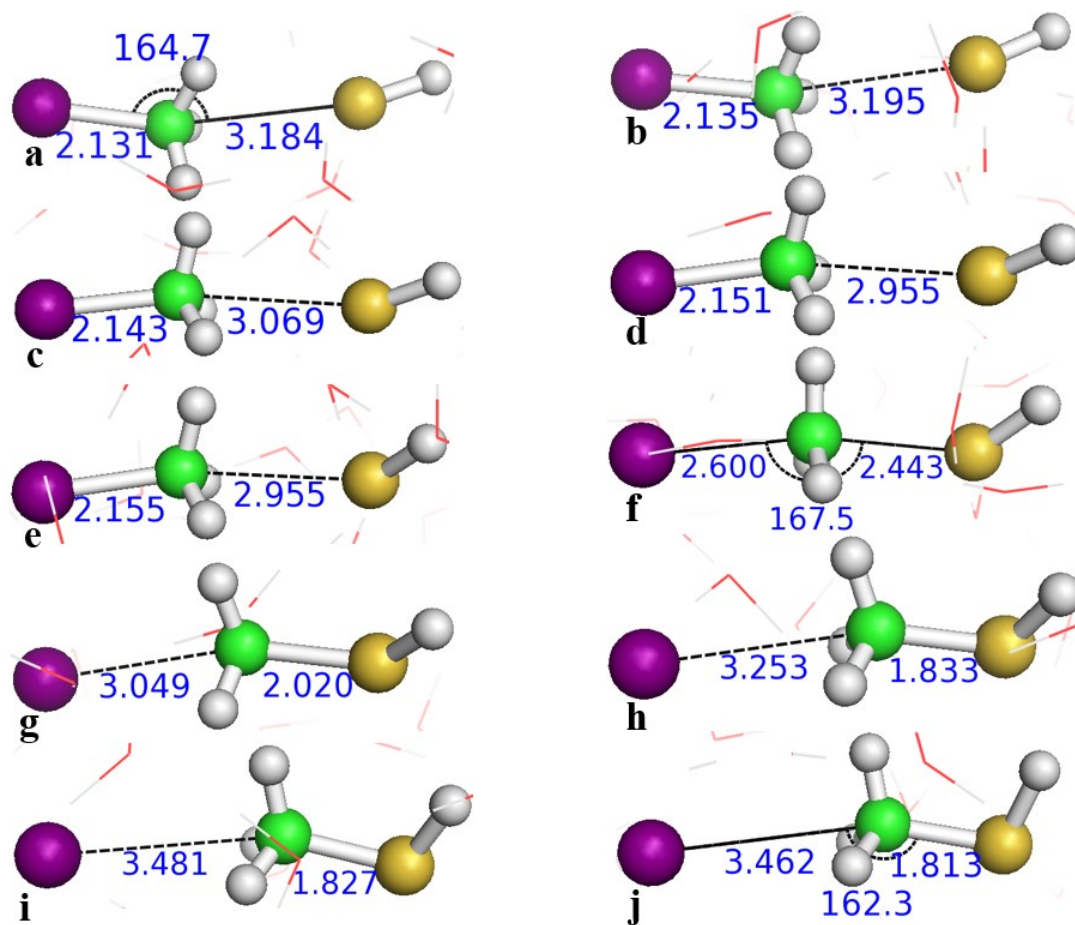


Fig. S10 Structural evolution of the NEB reaction path for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{I}$ reaction in water solution. No. a is the reactant complex, No. f is the transition state, and No. j is the product complex. The units of the distances and angles are angstroms and degrees, respectively.

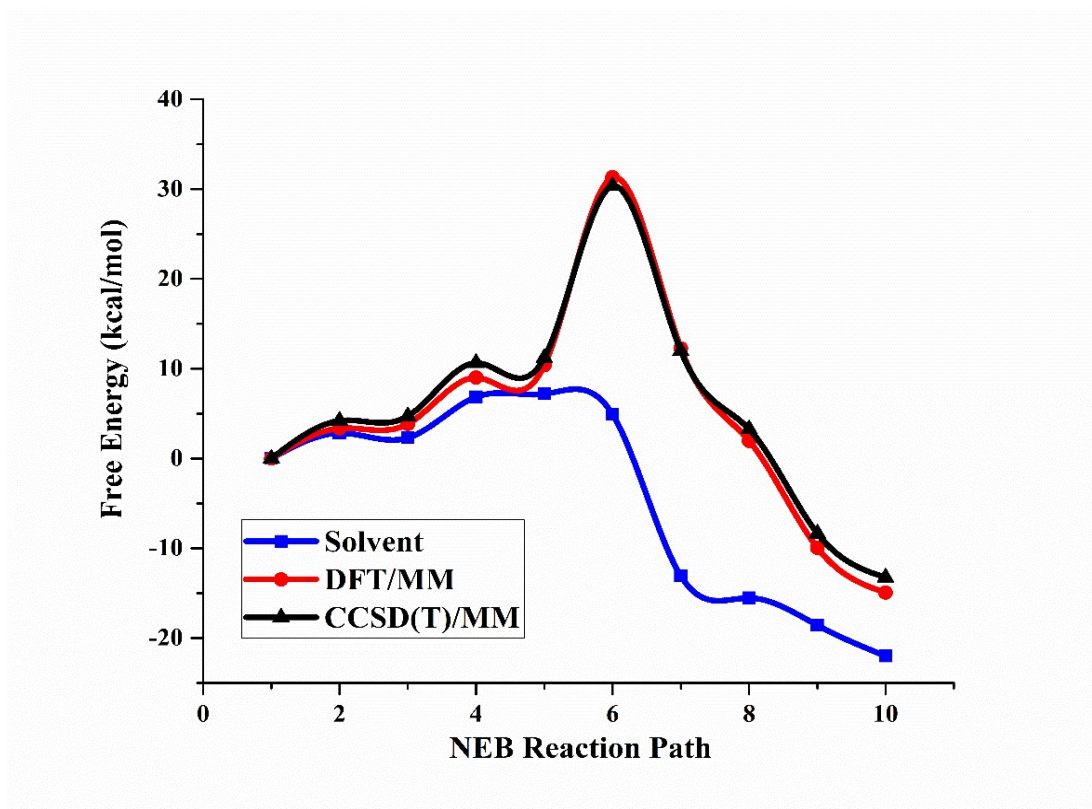


Fig. S11 The potentials of mean force calculated at DFT/MM and CCSD(T)/MM levels of theory and solvent energy contribution with the reactant complex as the energy reference point for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{F}$ reaction in water solution.

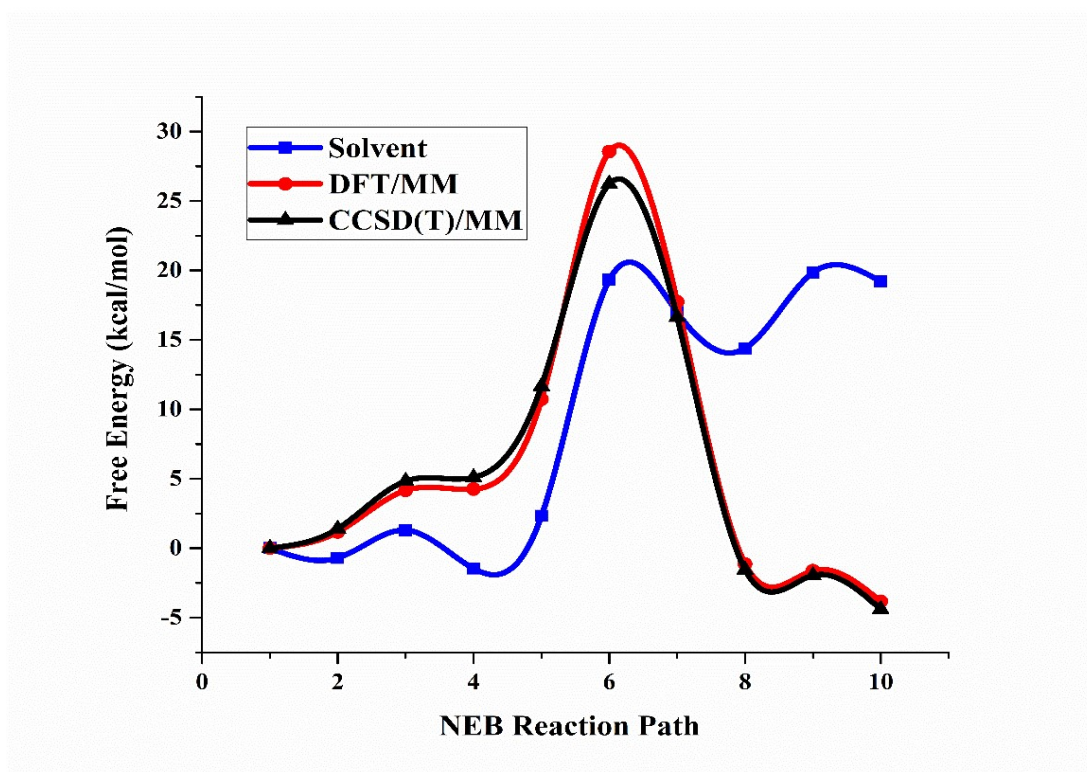


Fig. S12 The potentials of mean force calculated at DFT/MM and CCSD(T)/MM levels of theory and solvent energy contribution with the reactant complex as the energy reference point for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$ reaction in water solution.

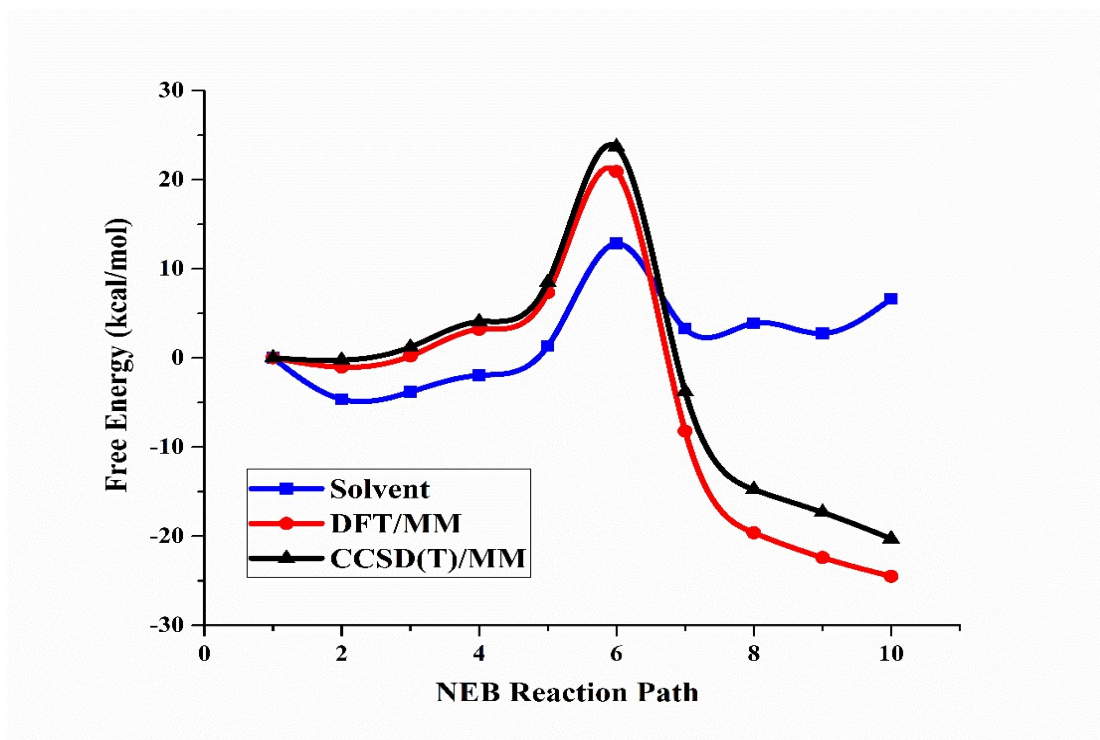


Fig. S13 The potentials of mean force calculated at DFT/MM and CCSD(T)/MM levels of theory and solvent energy contribution with the reactant state as the energy reference point for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{Br}$ reaction in water solution.

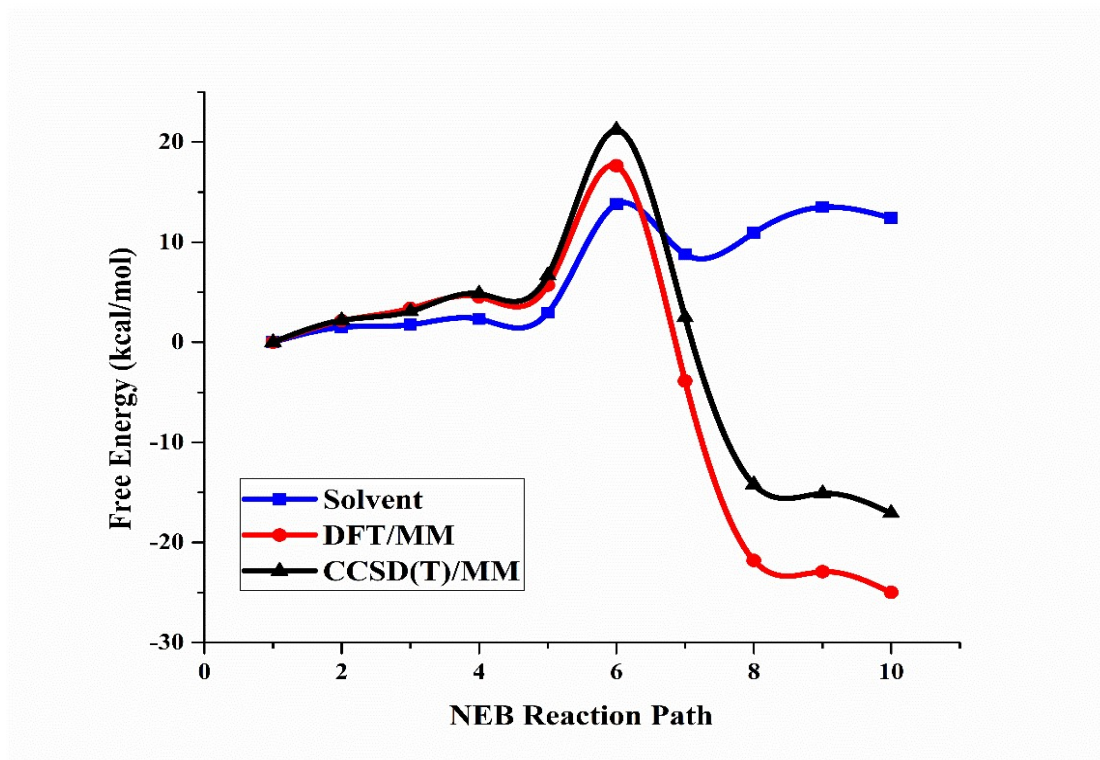


Fig. S14 The potentials of mean force calculated at DFT/MM and CCSD(T)/MM levels of theory and solvent energy contribution with the reactant complex as the energy reference point for the $\text{SH}^- + \text{CH}_3\text{I}$ reaction in water solution.