

Looking at platinum carbonyl nanoclusters as *superatoms*

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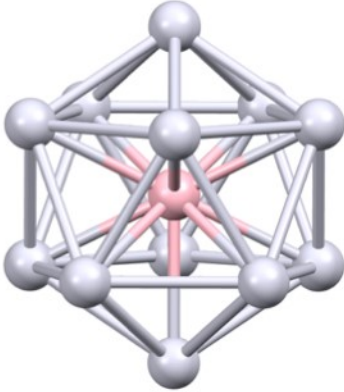
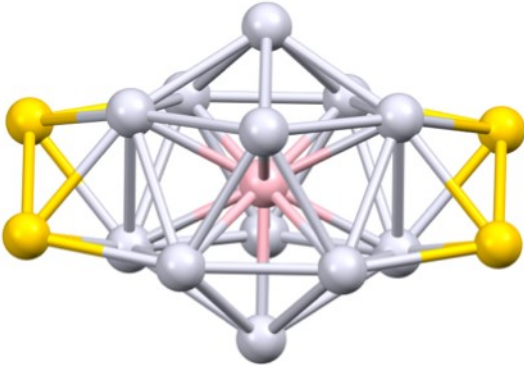
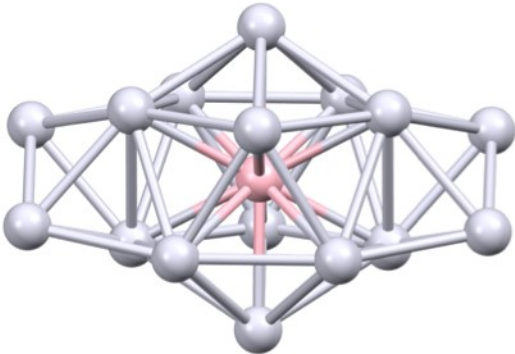
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| $[\text{Pt}_{17}(\mu\text{-CO})_4(\text{CO})_{16}]$ |  |

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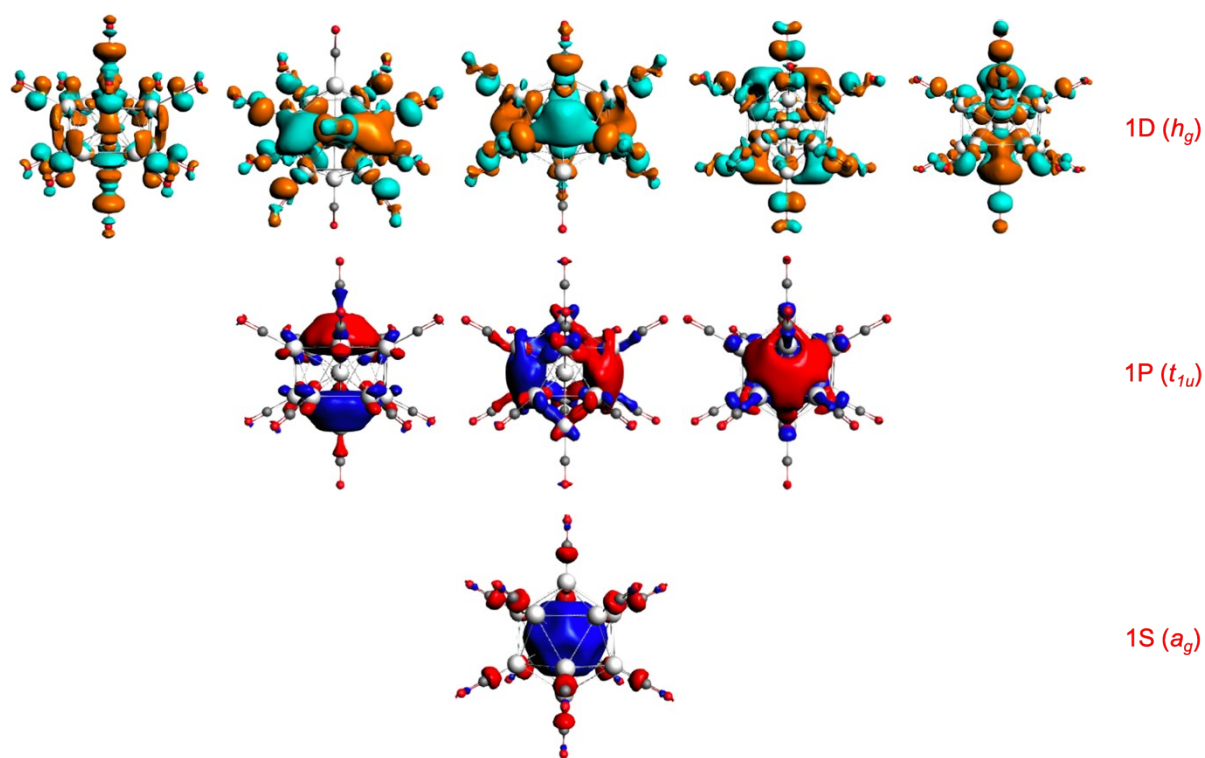


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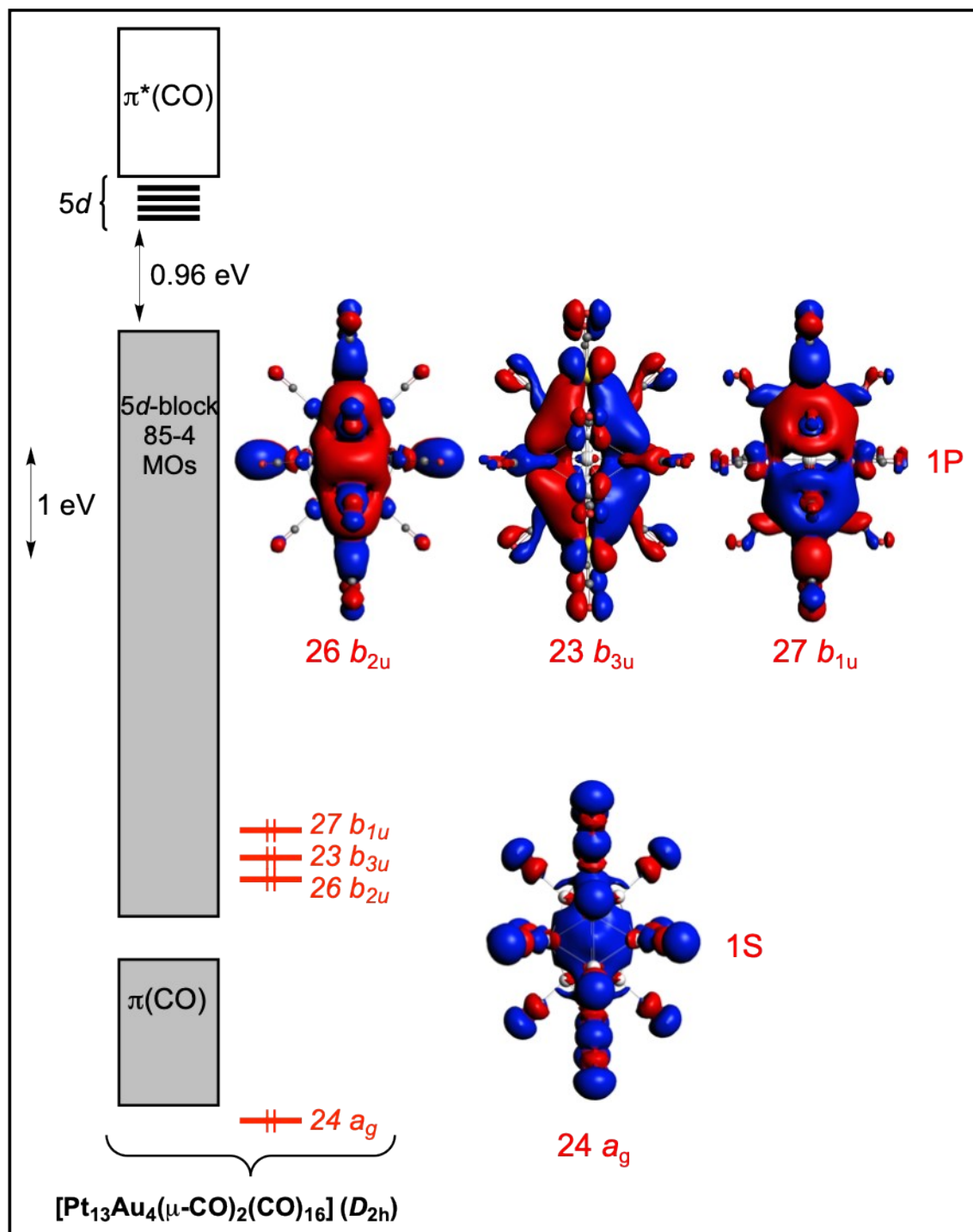


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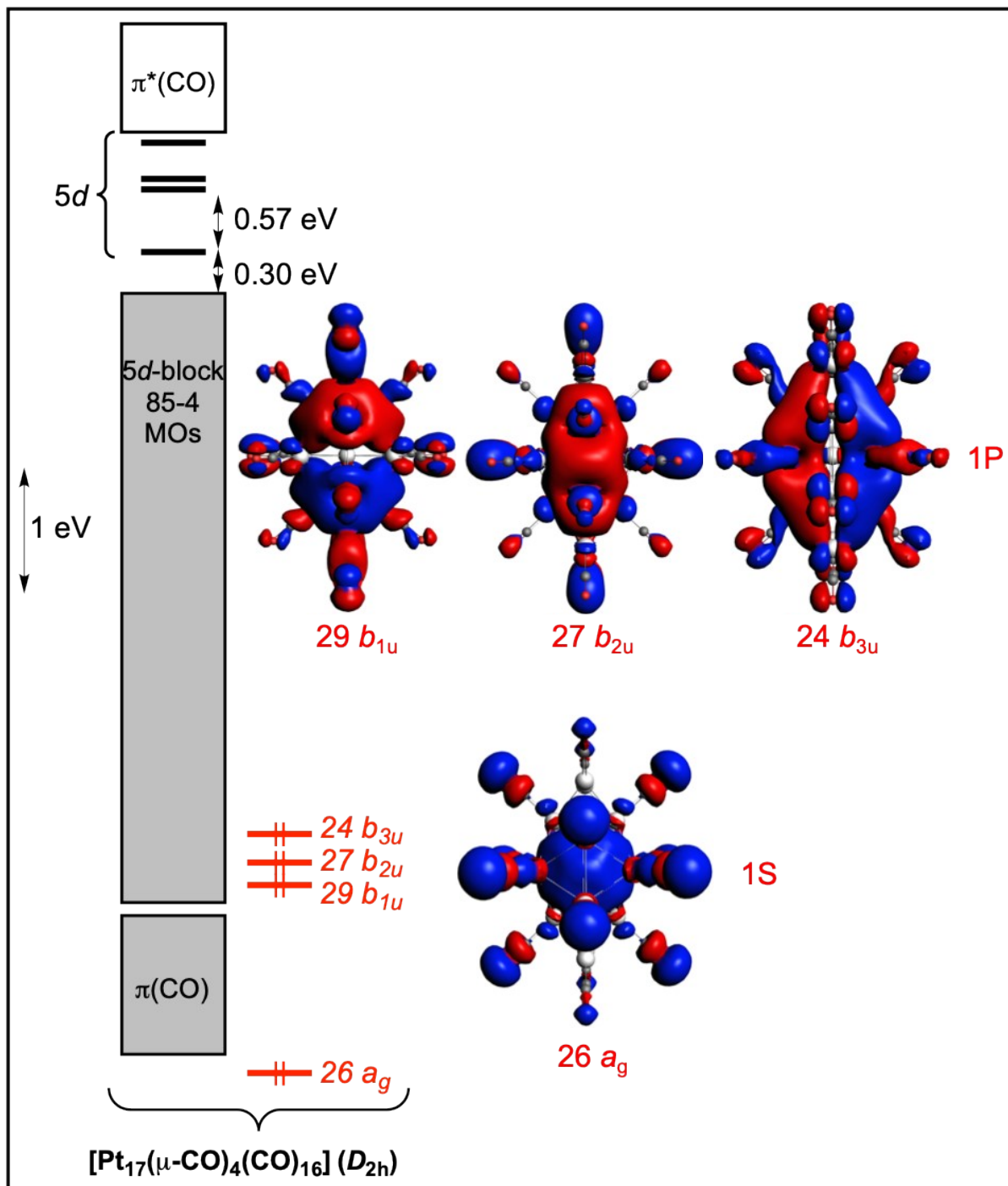


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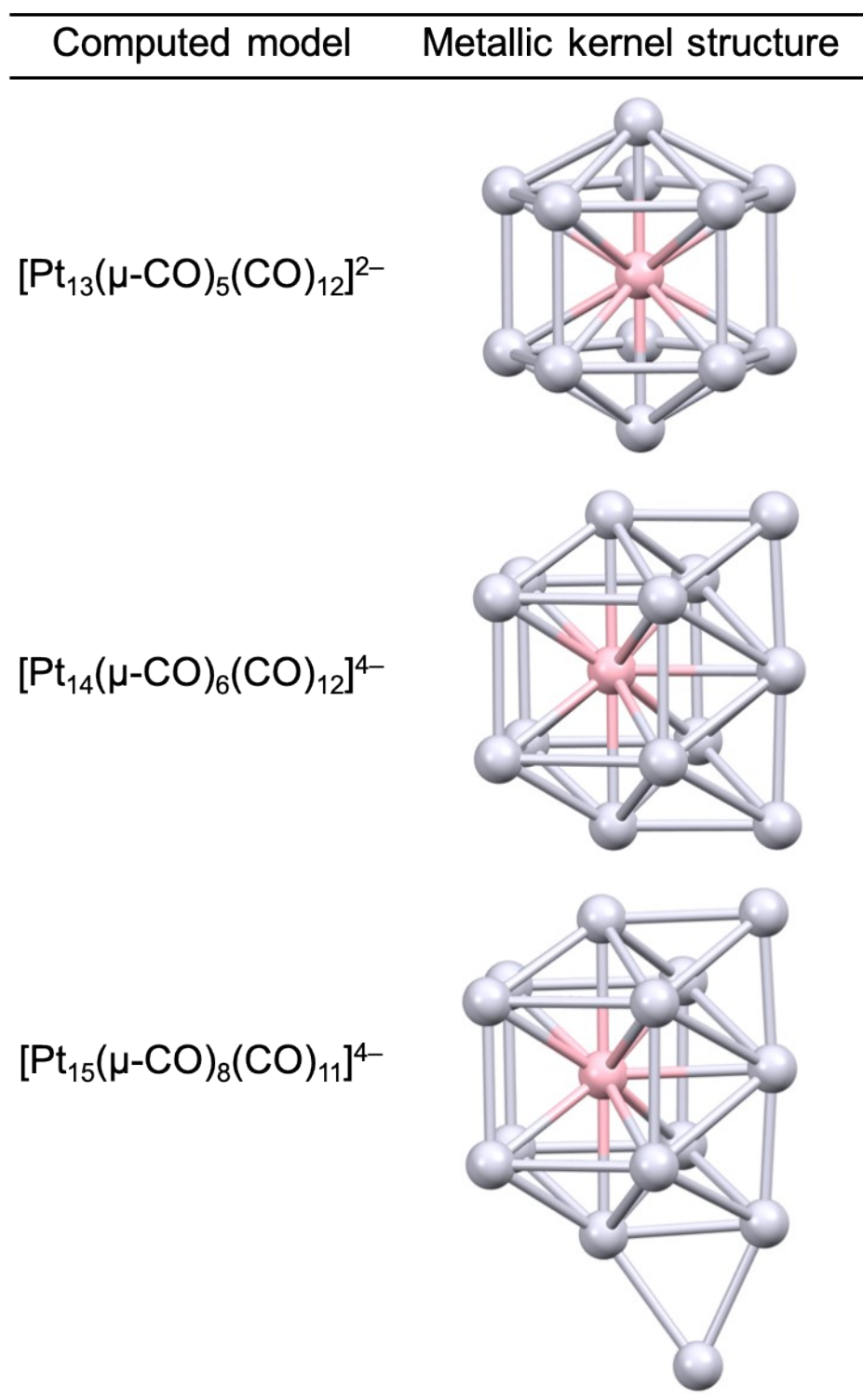


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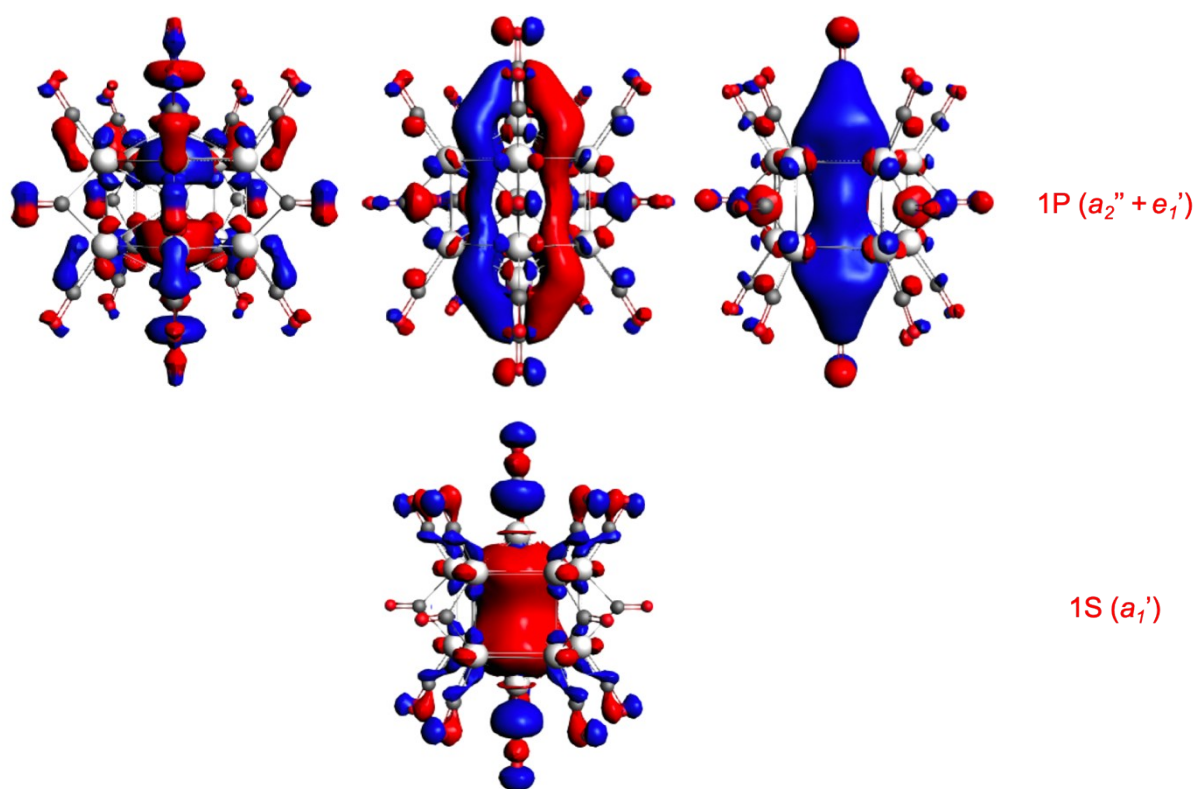


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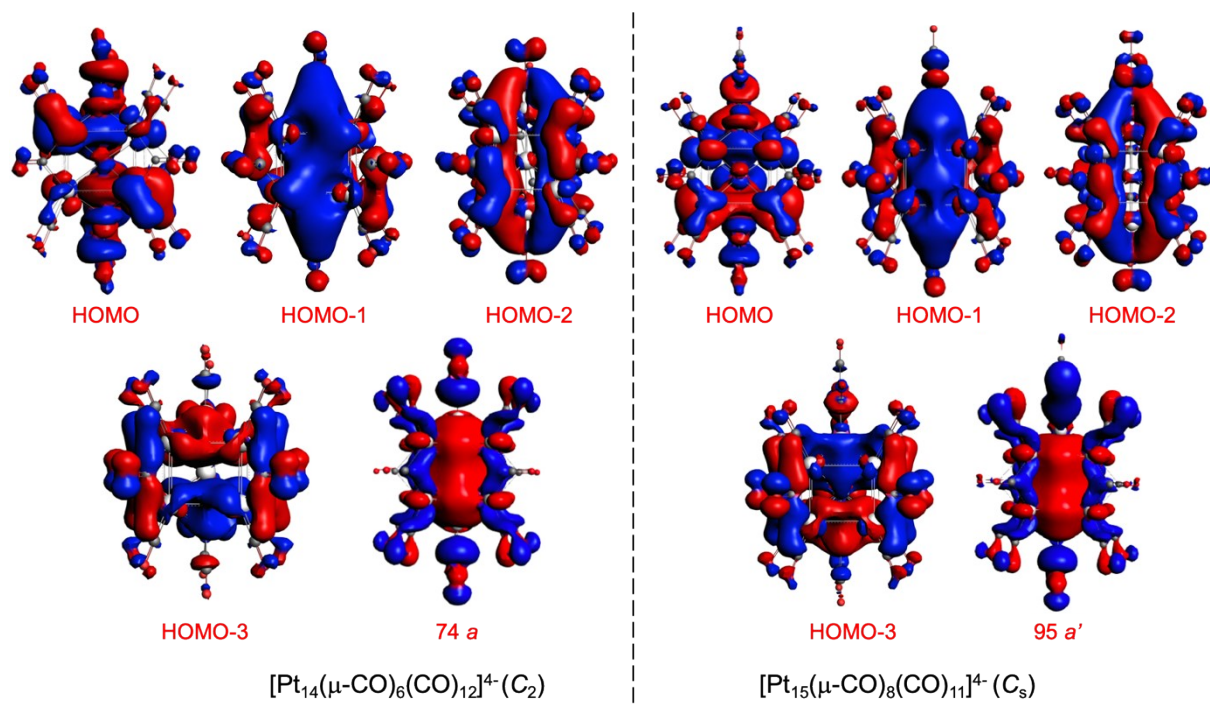


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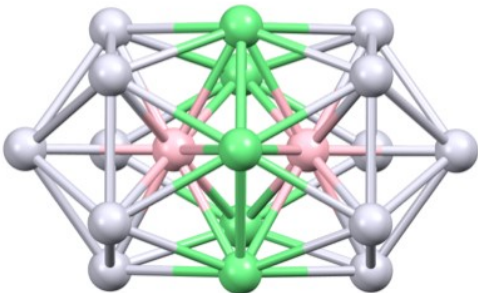
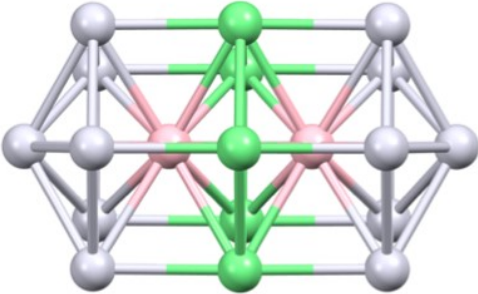
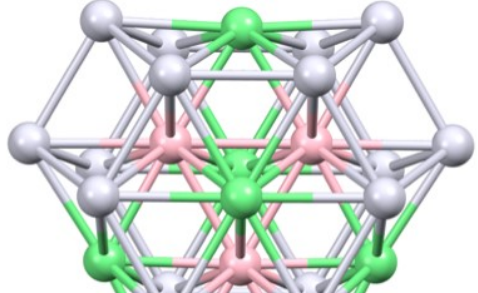
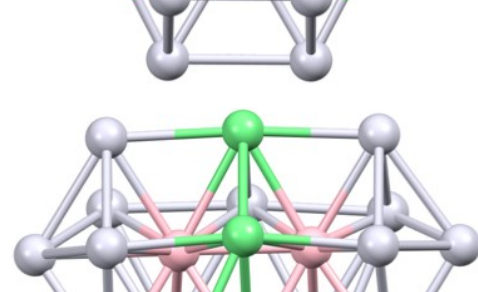
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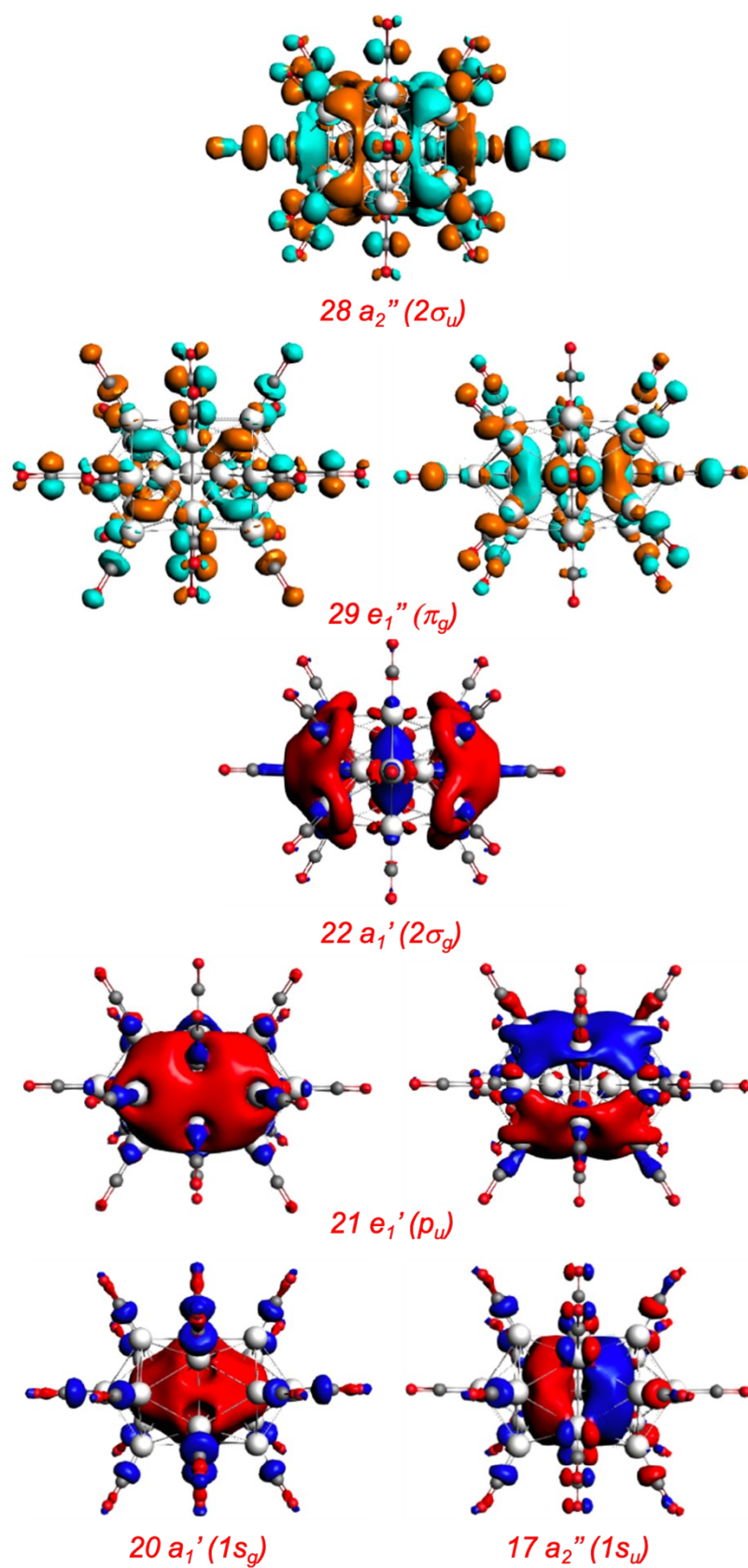


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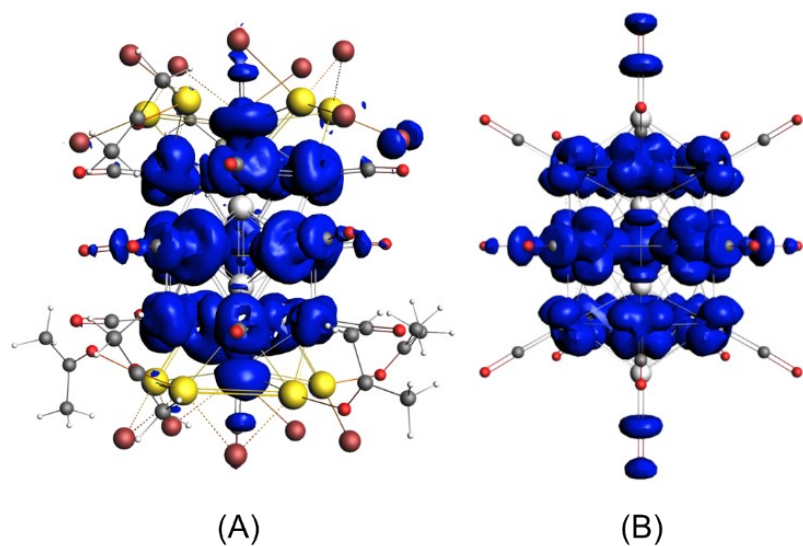


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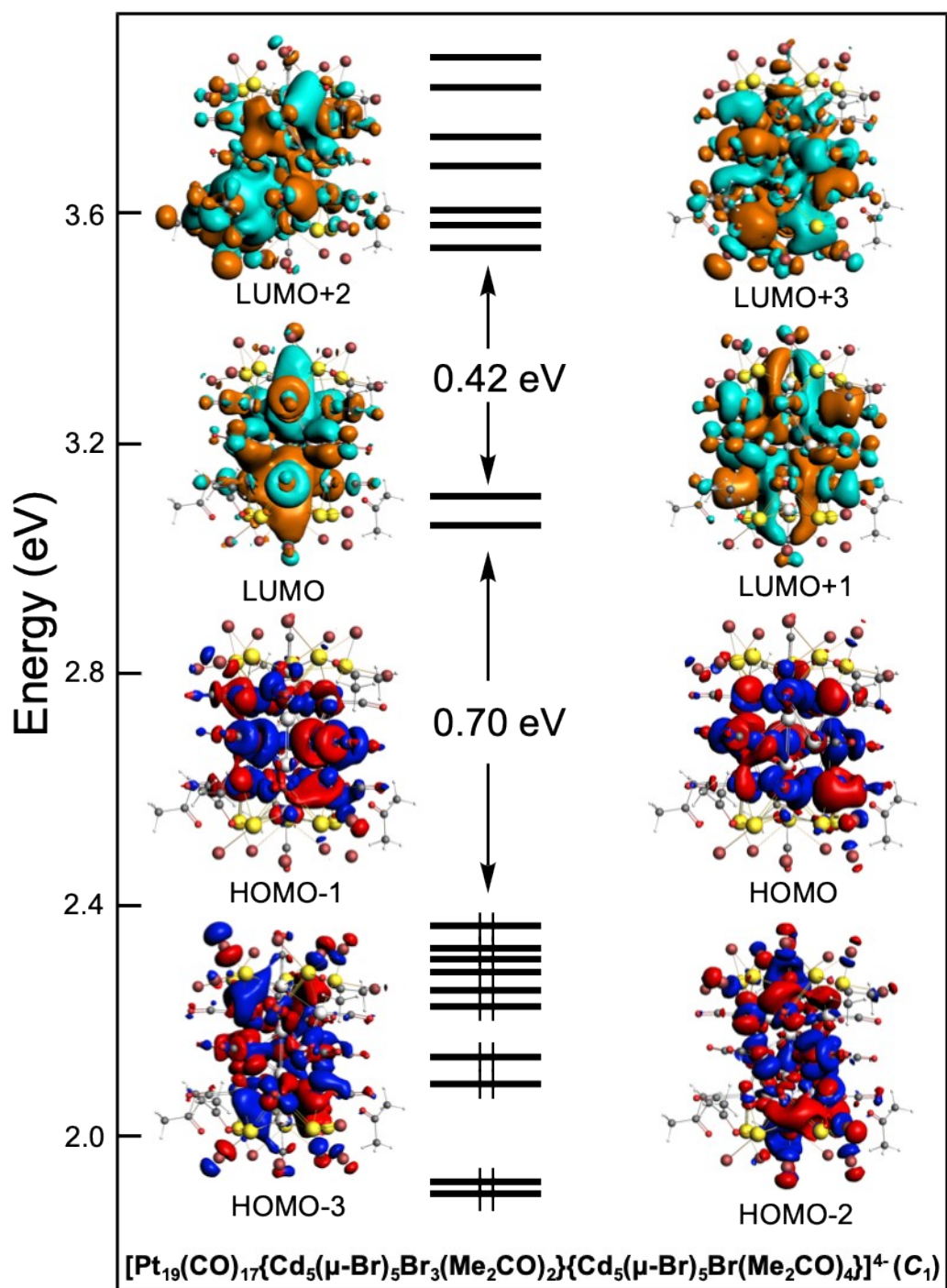


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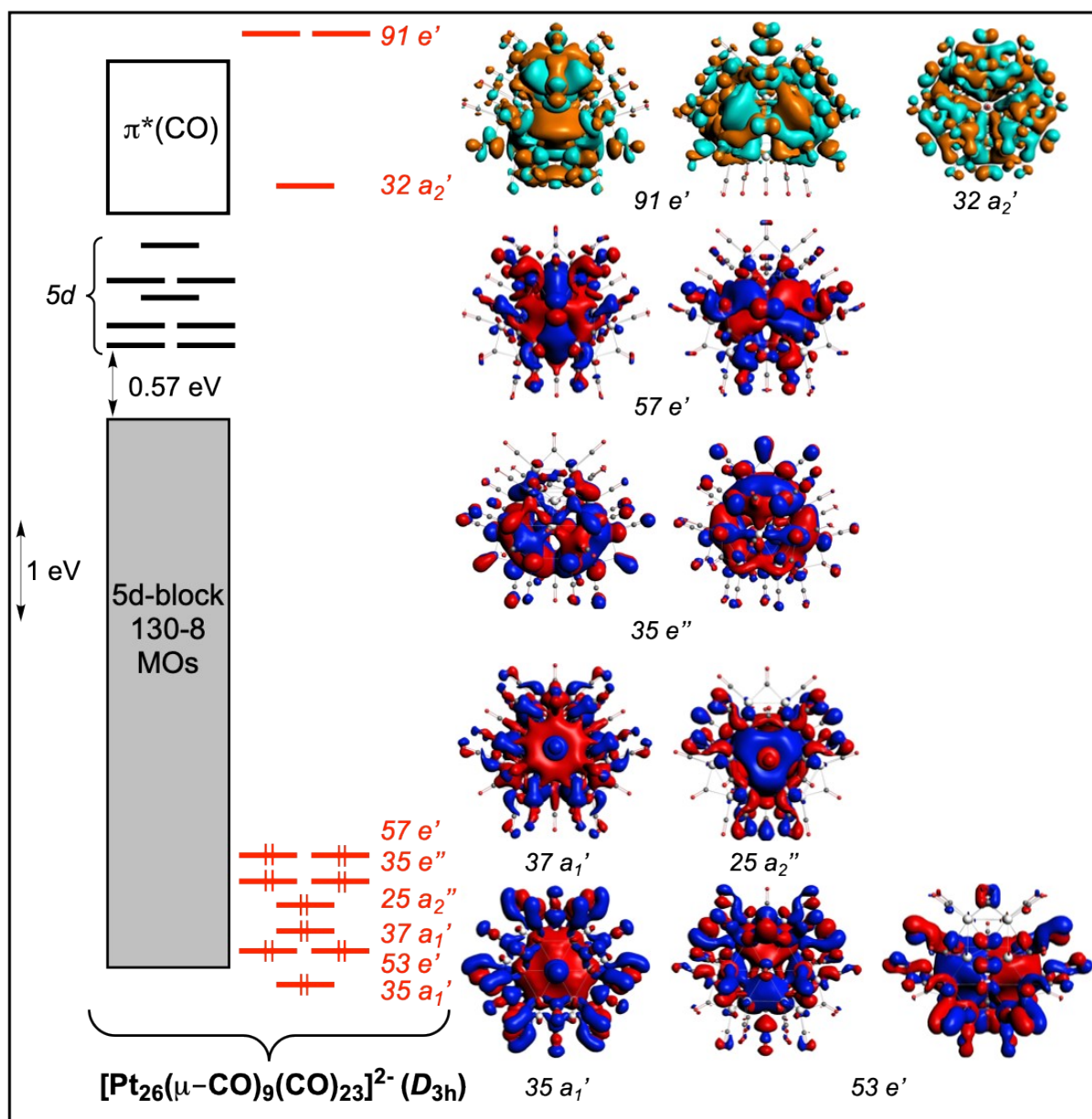


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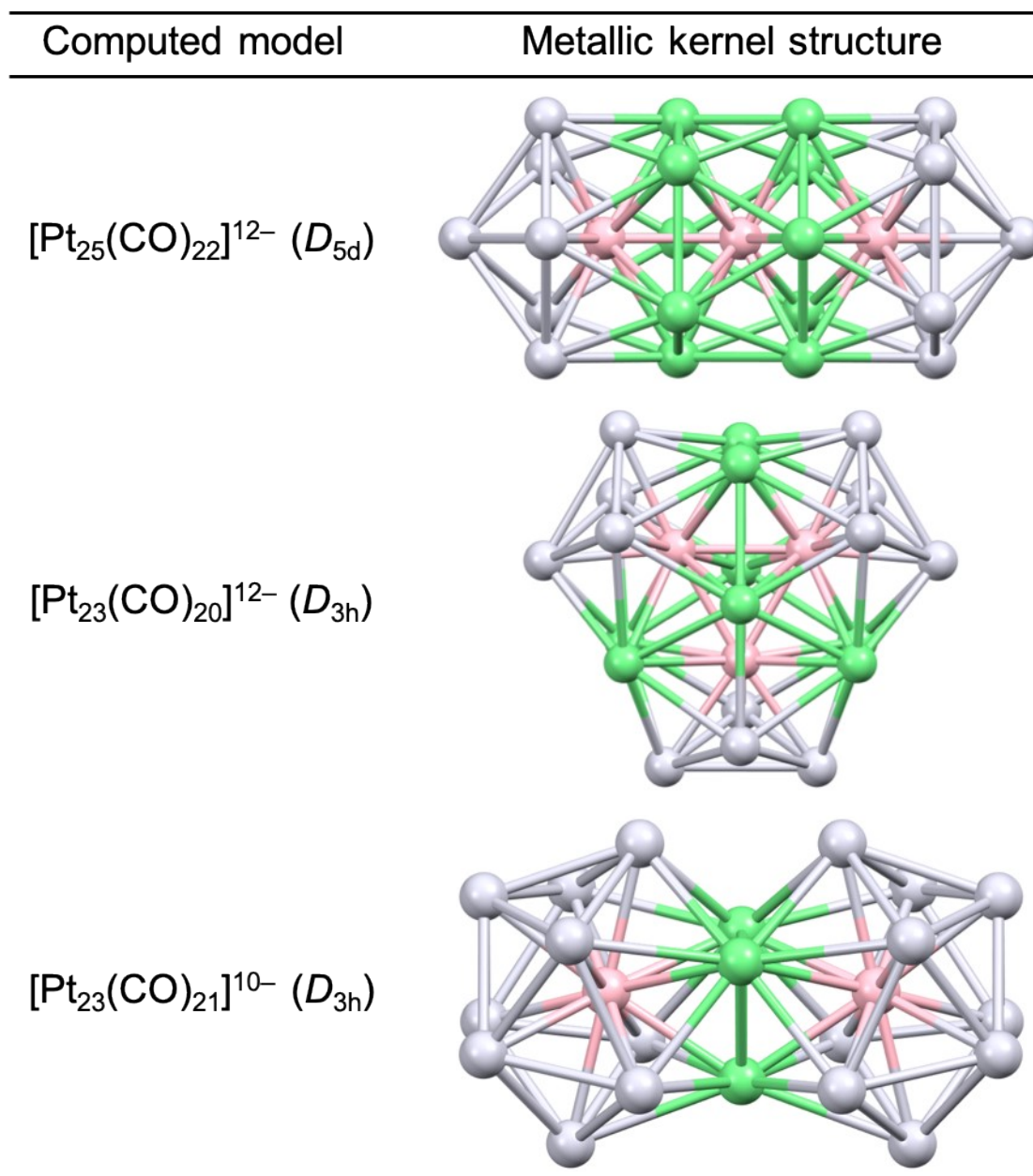


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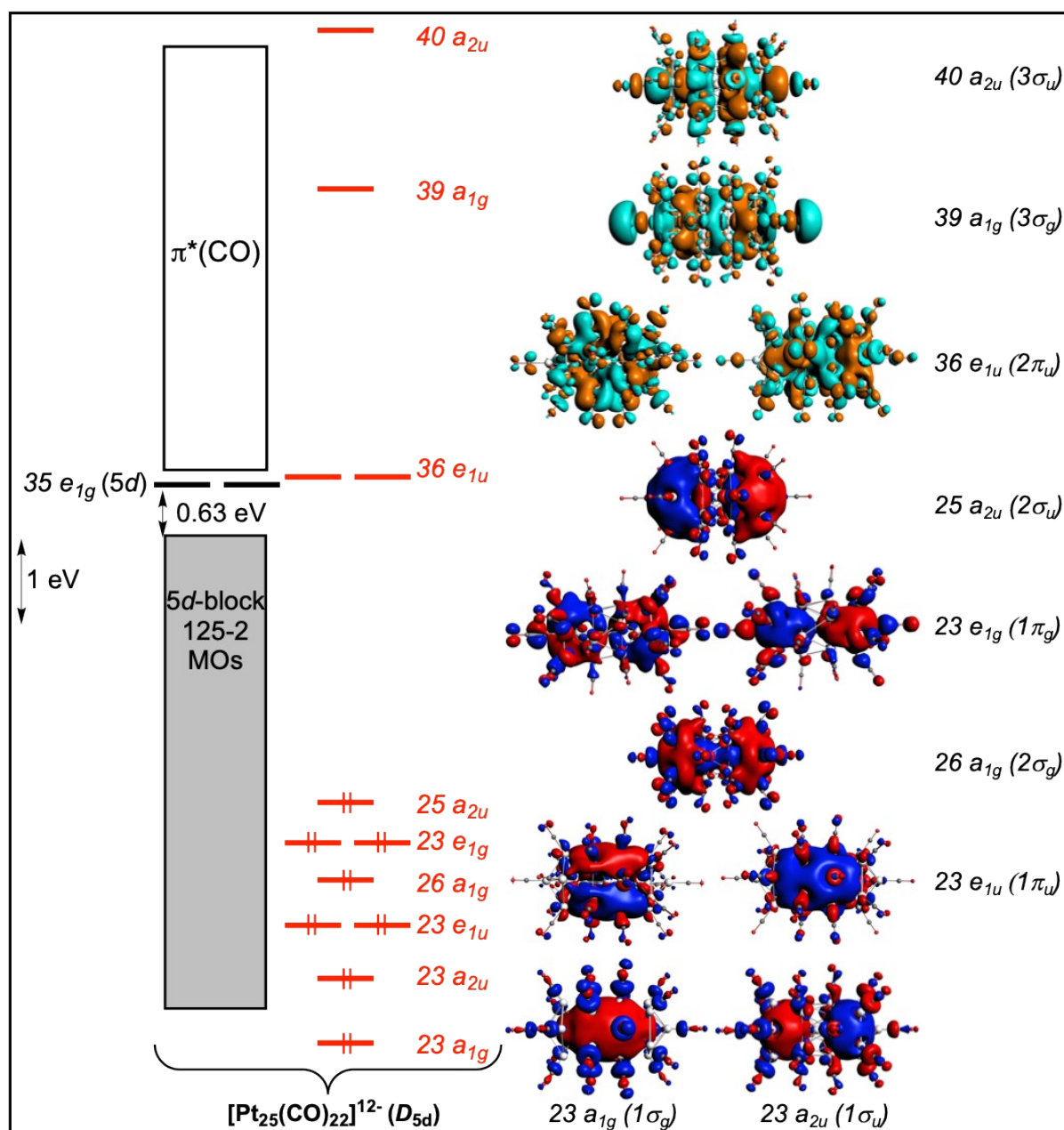


Fig. S14 Kohn-Sham orbital diagram of the hypothetical $[\text{Pt}_{25}(\text{CO})_{22}]^{12-}$, the core of which is made of three interpenetrating centered icosahedra. The *supermolecular* orbitals plotted on the right side are reminiscent of the valence orbitals of CO_2 . The surface isovalue of the inserted plots of *supermolecular* orbitals is $\pm 0.01 (\text{e}/\text{bohr}^3)^{1/2}$.

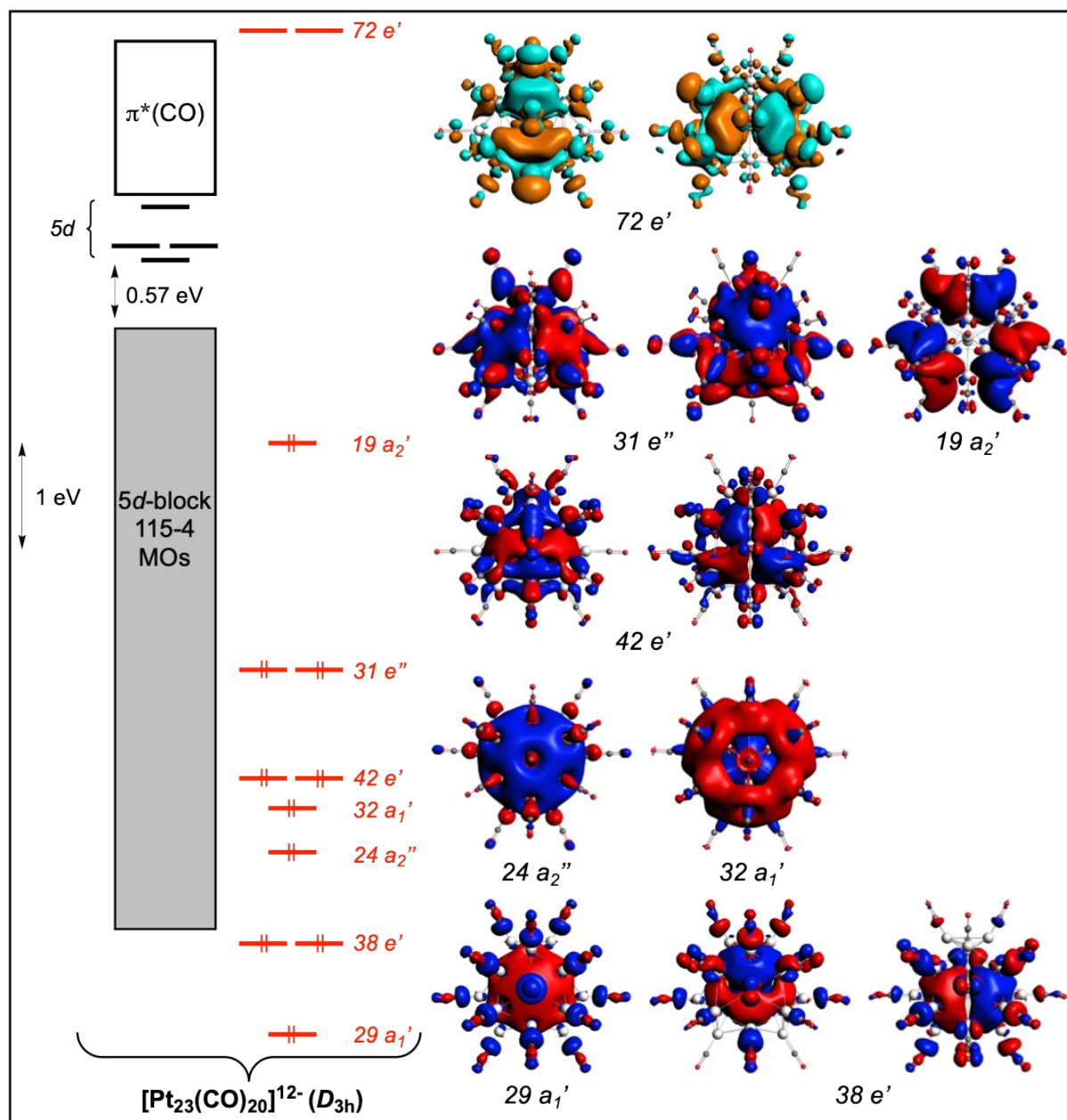


Fig. S15 Kohn-Sham orbital diagram of the hypothetical $[\text{Pt}_{23}(\text{CO})_{20}]^{12-}$, the core of which is made of three interpenetrated icosahedra. The *supermolecular* orbitals are plotted on the right side. The surface isovalue of the inserted plots of *supermolecular* orbitals is $\pm 0.01 (\text{e}/\text{bohr}^3)^{1/2}$.

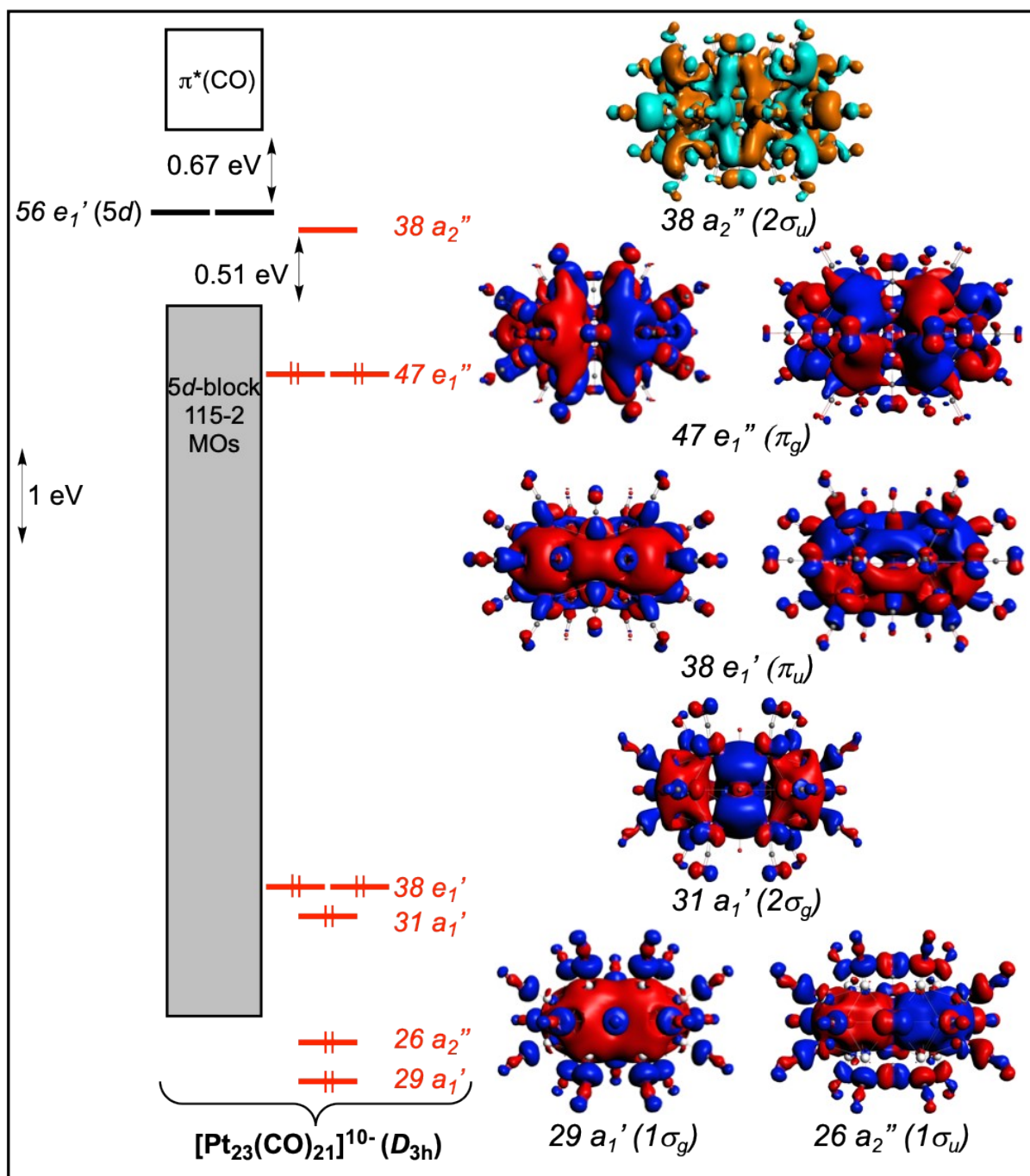


Fig. S16 Kohn-Sham orbital diagram of the hypothetical [Pt₂₃(CO)₂₁]¹⁰⁻, the core of which is made of two face-sharing centered icosahedra. The *supermolecular* orbitals, plotted on the right side, are reminiscent of the valence orbitals of F₂. The surface isovalue of the inserted plots of *supermolecular* orbitals is ± 0.01 (e/bohr³)^{1/2}.

| Computed model | Metallic kernel structure |
|--|---------------------------|
| $[\text{Pt}_{38}(\mu\text{-CO})_{12}(\text{CO})_{32}]^{2-}$ | |
| $[\text{Pt}_{36}(\mu\text{-CO})_{18}(\text{CO})_{26}]^{2-}$ | |
| $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\mu_3\text{-CO})_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3(\text{CO})_{18}(\mu_4\text{-AuPH}_3)_3]^{-}$ | |
| $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\mu_3\text{-CO})(\mu\text{-CO})_5(\text{CO})_{18}(\mu_4\text{-Au}_2(\text{PH}_3)_2)_2]^{-}$ | |
| $[\text{Pt}_{24}(\mu\text{-CO})_8(\text{CO})_{22}]^{2-}$ | |
| $[\text{Pt}_{33}(\mu\text{-CO})_{10}(\text{CO})_{28}]^{2-}$ | |
| $[\text{Pt}_{40}(\mu\text{-CO})_{16}(\text{CO})_{24}]^{6-}$ | |

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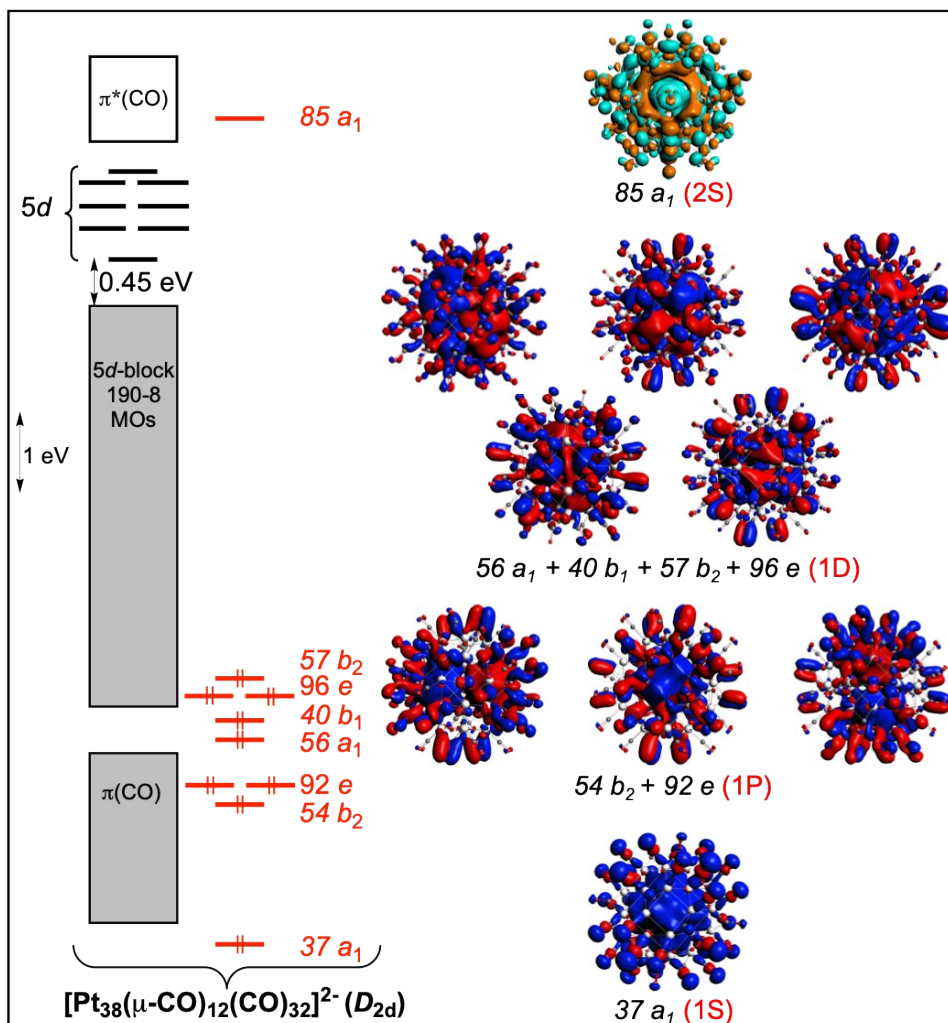


Fig. S18 Kohn-Sham orbital diagram of the pseudo-spherical $[\text{Pt}_{38}(\mu_2\text{-CO})_{12}(\text{CO})_{32}]^{2-}$ ($\text{Pt}_6@Pt_{32}$). The *supermolecular* orbitals, plotted on the right side, are consistent with the $1S^2 1P^8 1D^{10}$ configuration. The surface isovalue of the inserted plots of *superatomic* orbitals is ± 0.01 (e/bohr^3)^{1/2}.

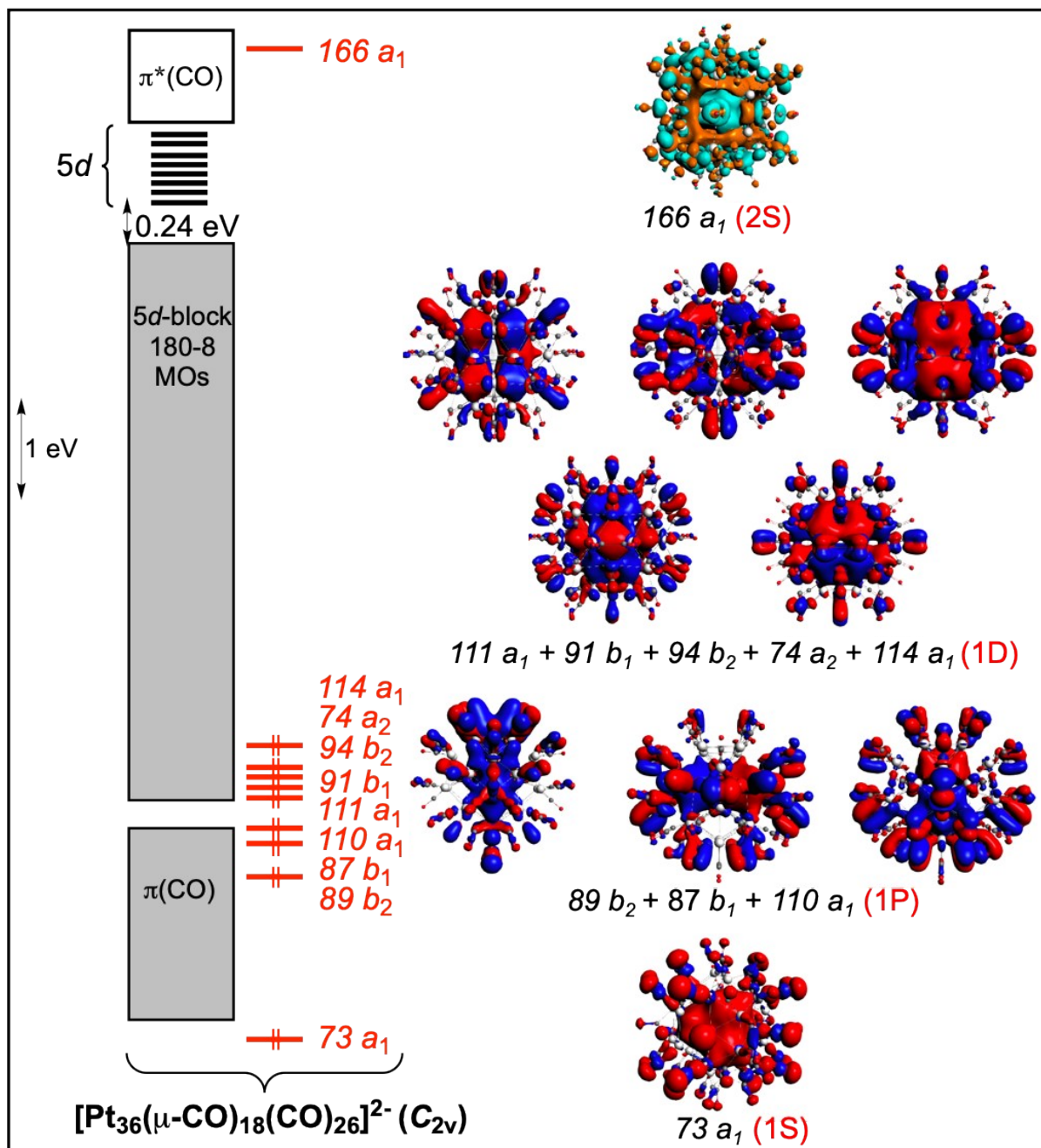


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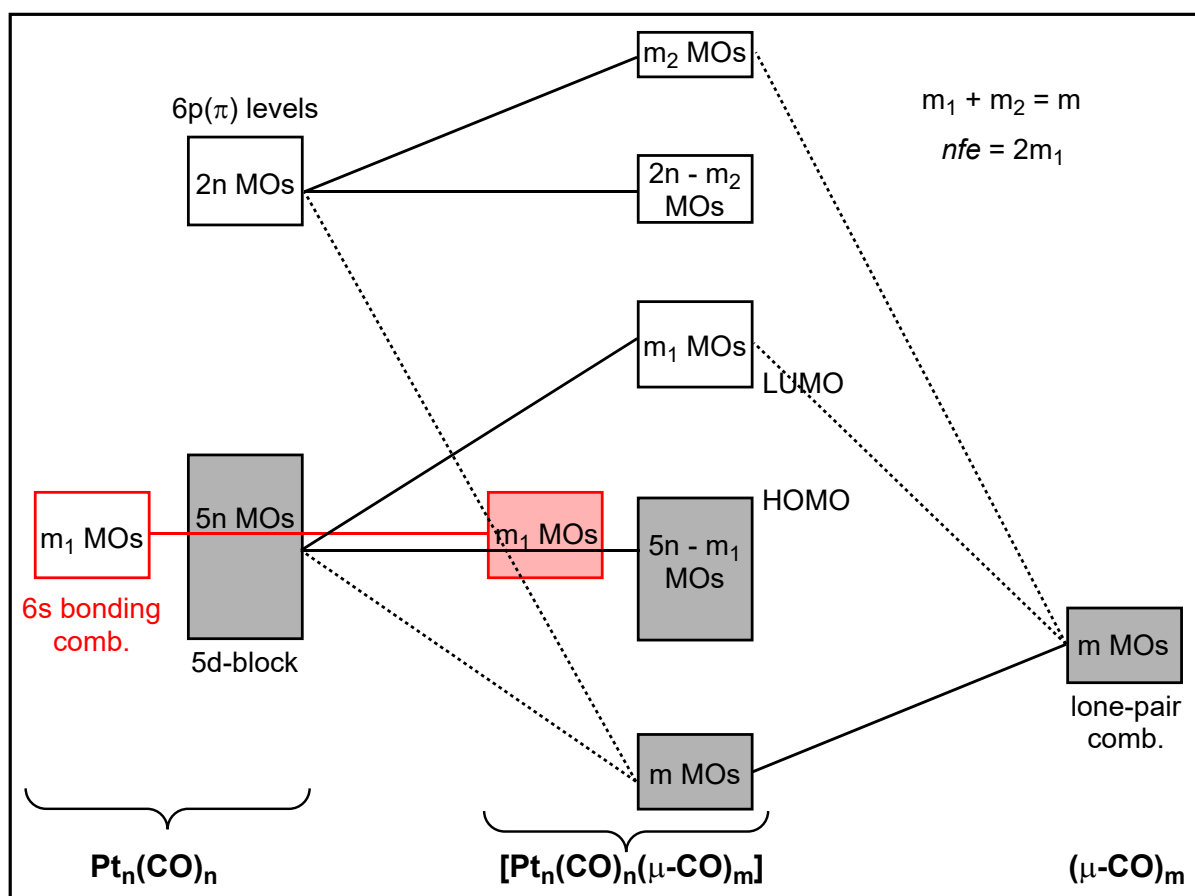


Fig. S20 Simplified MO interaction diagram between the $\text{Pt}_n(\text{CO})_n$ and $(\mu\text{-CO})_m$ fragments in a neutral $[\text{Pt}_n(\text{CO})_n(\mu\text{-CO})_m]$ nanocluster with n terminal and m bridging carbonyls (no qualitative change if $\mu_3\text{-CO}$ s in the place of $\mu\text{-CO}$ s). Both the $\pi^*(\text{CO})$ levels and the antibonding $6s(\text{Pt})$ combinations (all vacant orbitals) are not shown, as well as the n occupied low-lying bonding MOs associated with the n $\text{Pt}\text{-CO}_{\text{terminal}}$ bonds. In the case of a dianionic $[\text{Pt}_n(\text{CO})_n(\mu\text{-CO})_m]^{2-}$ species, for example, then the number of $6s$ bonding (occupied) combinations would be $m_1 + 1$ and $nfe = 2m_1 + 2$. The bridging COs are necessary to get a closed-shell configuration with the $6s$ bonding combinations filled but their total number m and the m_1/m_2 ratio are difficult to predict owing to their dependence on complex topological parameters.

Table S1. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{CO})_{12}]^{8-}$.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{CO})_{12}]^{8-}$ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 1.41 eV |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.781 [0.1518] |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.923 [0.0688] |
| | Pt _p -C | av. 1.829 [1.1925] |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Pt _c | -0.96 |
| | Pt _p | -0.12 |
| | CO | -0.48 |

Table S2. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{CO})_{12}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}_2(\text{dmf})_3\}_2]^{2-}$. The atomic distances are given in Å, Wiberg indices are given in brackets. Experimental bond distances are reported for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{CO})_{12}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}_2(\text{dmf})_3\}_2]^{2-}$ | |
|---|------------------|--|--------------------------|
| | | Calc. | Exp. ¹ |
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 1.19 eV | - |
| $\text{Pt}_{\text{cent.}}$ - $\text{Pt}_{\text{vert.}}$ | | 2.727-2.757 av. 2.742 [0.1052] | 2.696-2.718 av. 2.707 |
| $\text{Pt}_{\text{vert.}}$ - $\text{Pt}_{\text{vert.}}$ | | 2.765-2.988 av. 2.882 [0.0650] | 2.765-2.912 av. 2.850 |
| Cd_{Br} - $\text{Pt}_{5 \text{ ring}}$ | | 2.868-2.891 av. 2.877 [0.0741] | av. 2.826 |
| Cd_{Br} - $\text{Pt}_{\text{apical}}$ | | 3.308-3.321 av. 3.315 [0.0229] | av. 3.262 |
| Cd_{dmf} - $\text{Pt}_{5 \text{ ring}}$ | | 2.821-2.865 av. 2.843 [0.0954] | av. 2.807 |
| Cd_{dmf} - $\text{Pt}_{\text{apical}}$ | | 3.006-3.051 av. 3.022 [0.0536] | av. 3.031 |
| Cd-Br_{br} | | 2.704-2.822 av. 2.756 [0.2111] | av. 2.711 |
| $\text{Cd-Br}_{\text{terminal}}$ | | 2.649-2.663 av. 2.656 [0.2975] | av. 2.567 |
| Cd-O | | 2.388-2.408 av. 2.396 [0.0742] | av. 2.231 |
| Pt-C (Carbonyl) | | 1.858-1.897 av. 1.873 [0.8318] | av. 1.84 |
| C-O (Carbonyl) | | 1.156-1.168 av. 1.162 [2.0157] | av. 1.14 |
| NAO charges (av.) | Pt_1 | -0.54 | - |
| | Pt_{12} | -0.29 | - |
| | CO | -0.15 | - |
| | L | +1.91 | - |

Table S3. Relevant computed data for the $\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{Au}_2\text{L}_2)_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2(\text{CO})_8(\text{L})_4$ ($\text{L} = \text{CO}, \text{PH}_3$) clusters. Experimental bond distances are reported for comparison.

| | | $\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{Au}_2(\text{X})_2)_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2(\text{CO})_8(\text{X})_4$ | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|
| | | L = CO | L = PH ₃ | Exp. ² |
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.96 eV | 0.93 eV | |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.729 [0.1461] | av. 2.726 [0.1458] | av. 2.707 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.869 [0.0766] | av. 2.866 [0.0681] | av. 2.846 |
| | Pt _p -Au _b | av. 2.775 [0.1281] | av. 2.779 [0.1316] | av. 2.783 |
| | Au _b -Au _b | av. 3.202 [0.0184] | av. 3.151 [0.0237] | av. 3.131 |
| | Pt _p -CO _t | av. 1.873 [0.8488] | av. 1.864 [0.8887] | av. 1.877 |
| | Pt _p -CO _b | av. 2.048 [0.5759] | av. 2.025 [0.6167] | av. 2.007 |
| | Pt _p -L | av. 1.893 [0.7598] | av. 2.242 [0.4516] | av. 2.260 |
| | Au _b -L | av. 1.928 [0.7622] | av. 2.261 [0.5201] | av. 2.247 |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Pt _c | -0.75 | -0.65 | |
| | Pt _p | -0.06 | -0.10 | |
| | Au _b | +0.48 | +0.31 | |

Table S4. Relevant computed data for the $\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-CO})(\text{L})_2)_2(\mu\text{-CO})_2(\text{CO})_8(\text{L})_4$ ($\text{L} = \text{CO}$, PH_3) clusters. Experimental bond distances are reported for comparison.

| | | $\text{Pt}_{13}(\text{Pt}_2(\mu\text{-CO})(\text{L})_2)_2(\text{CO})_{10}(\text{L})_4$ | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------|-------------------|
| | | $\text{L} = \text{CO}$ | $\text{L} = \text{PH}_3$ | Exp. ³ |
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.30 eV | 0.35 eV | |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.728 [0.1452] | av. 2.724 [0.1439] | av. 2.698 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.869 [0.0804] | av. 2.862 [0.0816] | av. 2.837 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _b | av. 2.768 [0.1316] | av. 2.776 [0.1337] | av. 2.780 |
| | Pt _b -Pt _b | av. 2.936 [0.0964] | av. 2.891 [0.1096] | av. 2.860 |
| | Pt _p -CO _t | av. 1.871 [0.8336] | av. 1.861 [0.8747] | 1.64 – 1.83 |
| | Pt _p -CO _b | av. 2.057 [0.5653] | av. 2.030 [0.6086] | 1.94 – 2.13 |
| | Pt _p -L | av. 1.896 [0.7534] | av. 2.245 [0.4509] | 2.20 – 2.26 |
| | Pt _b -CO _b | av. 2.035 [0.6224] | av. 2.007 [0.6727] | 1.94 – 2.13 |
| | Pt _b -L | av. 1.872 [0.9068] | av. 2.219 [0.5774] | 2.20 – 2.26 |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Pt _c | -0.76 | -0.66 | |
| | Pt _p | -0.02 | -0.06 | |
| | Pt _b | +0.28 | +0.12 | |

Table S5. Relevant computed data for the $[\text{Pt}_{14}(\mu\text{-CO})_6(\text{CO})_{12}]^{4+}$ and $[\text{Pt}_{15}(\mu\text{-CO})_8(\text{CO})_{11}]^{4+}$ clusters. Experimental bond distances are reported for comparison.^{4,5}

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{14}(\mu\text{-CO})_6(\text{CO})_{12}]^{4+}$ | $[\text{Pt}_{15}(\mu\text{-CO})_8(\text{CO})_{11}]^{4+}$ |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 1.00 eV | 1.09 eV |
| Distances (Å) | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.777 exp. 2.730 | av. 2.775 exp. 2.731 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.867 exp. 2.821 | av. 2.874 exp. 2.827 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _b | - | av. 2.753 exp. 2.681 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.862 exp. 1.844 | av. 1.860 exp. 1.858 |
| | Pt _p -C _b | av. 2.033 exp. 2.004 | av. 2.037 exp. 2.011 |

Table S6. Relevant computed data for the $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\text{CO})_{17}]^{8-/10-}$ clusters. Experimental bond distances are reported for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\text{CO})_{17}]^{10-}$ | $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\text{CO})_{17}]^{8-}$ | Exp. ¹ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO or SOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.37 eV | Spin- α : 0.47 eV Spin- β : 0.09 eV | |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt _c -Pt _c | av. 2.611 [0.0984] | av. 2.571 | av. 2.557 |
| | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.813 [0.1298] | av. 2.782 | av. 2.730 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.960 [0.0604] | av. 2.922 | av. 2.866 |
| | Pt _p -C | av. 1.829 [1.1851] | av. 1.832 | av. 1.800 |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Pt _c | -0.80 | | |
| | Pt _p | -0.07 | | |
| | CO | -0.43 | | |

Table S7. Computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\text{CO})_{17}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}_3(\text{Me}_2\text{CO})_2\}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}(\text{Me}_2\text{CO})_4\}]^{x-}$ ($x = 2, 4$). The atomic distances are given in Å. Wiberg indices are given in brackets. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\text{CO})_{17}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}_3(\text{Me}_2\text{CO})_2\}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}(\text{Me}_2\text{CO})_4\}]^{2-}$ | $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\text{CO})_{17}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}_3(\text{Me}_2\text{CO})_2\}\{\text{Cd}_5(\mu\text{-Br})_5\text{Br}(\text{Me}_2\text{CO})_4\}]^{4-}$ | Exp. ¹ |
|------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO or SOMO-LUMO gap (eV) | α -electron: 0.72 eV β -electron: 0.08 eV | 0.70 eV | - |
| Pt _c -Pt _c ' | 2.594 | 2.590 [0.1161] | 2.557 |
| Pt _c -Pt _p | 2.683-2.859 av. 2.761 | 2.688-2.852 av. 2.770 [0.1184] | 2.663-2.793 av. 2.730 |
| Pt _p -Pt _p | 2.755-3.043 av. 2.894 | 2.778-3.112 av. 2.903 [0.0630] | 2.775-2.976 av. 2.866 |
| Cd-Pt _{5 ring} | 2.789-2.911 av. 2.856 | 2.774-2.911 av. 2.841 [0.1113] | av. 2.790 |
| Cd-Pt _{apical} | 2.939-3.410 av. 3.093 | 2.911-3.394 av. 3.074 [0.0526] | av. 3.019 |
| Cd-Br _{br} | 2.692-2.855 av. 2.765 | 2.693-3.026 av. 2.812 [0.1775] | av. 2.741 |
| Cd-Br _{terminal} | 2.621-2.629 av. 2.625 | 2.650-2.662 av. 2.657 [0.2989] | av. 2.637 |
| Cd-O | 2.458-2.488 av. 2.475 | 2.517-2.555 av. 2.540 [0.0670] | av. 2.350 |
| Pt-C (Carbonyl) | 1.848-1.900 av. 1.865 | 1.841-1.897 av. 1.861 [0.8762] | av. 1.800 |
| C-O (Carbonyl) | 1.153-1.169 av. 1.160 | 1.155-1.174 av. 1.164 [2.0414] | av. 1.170 |
| NAO charges | Pt _{cent} | - | -0.55 |
| | Pt _{apical} | - | -0.46 |
| | Pt _{outer} | - | -0.21 |
| | CO | - | -0.08 |
| | Cd ₅ ($\mu\text{-Br}$) ₅ Br ₃ (Me ₂ C | - | +0.62 |

| | | | | |
|--|--|---|-------|--|
| | O ₂ | | | |
| | Cd ₅ (μ Br) ₅ Br(Me ₂ CO) ₄ } | - | +1.91 | |

Table S8. Relevant computed data for [Pt₁₉(μ-CO)₁₀(CO)₁₂]⁴⁻. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | [Pt ₁₉ (μ-CO) ₁₀ (CO) ₁₂] ⁴⁻ | Exp. ⁶ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.80 eV | |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt _c -Pt _c | av. 2.710 [0.1309] | av. 2.641 |
| | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.813 [0.1183] | av. 2.794 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.821 [0.0928] | av. 2.797 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.857 [0.9237] | - |
| | Pt _p -C _b | av. 2.025 [0.5576] | - |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Pt _c | -0.66 | |
| | Pt _p | +0.13 | |
| | CO | -0.22 | |

Table S9. Relevant computed data for [Pt₂₆(μ-CO)₉(CO)₂₃]²⁻. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | [Pt ₂₆ (μ-CO) ₉ (CO) ₂₃] ²⁻ | Exp. ⁴ |
|--|--|-------------------|
| | | |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.57 eV | |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt ₃ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.813 [0.0630] | av. 2.803 |
| | Pt ₃ -Pt _p | av. 2.823 [0.1072] | av. 2.801 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.827 [0.0809] | av. 2.804 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.875 [0.8001] | av. 1.840 |
| | Pt _p -C _b | av. 2.029 [0.5536] | av. 1.960 |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Centered Pt ₃ | -0.63 | |
| | μ ₆ -Pt _p | -0.07 | |
| | Pt _p | +0.20 | |
| | Pt _{capping} | +0.22 | |
| | CO | -0.11 | |

Table S10. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{23}(\mu\text{-CO})_{13}(\text{CO})_{14}]^{2-}$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{23}(\mu\text{-CO})_{13}(\text{CO})_{14}]^{2-}$ | Exp. ⁴ |
|---------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.42 eV | |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₃ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.679 | av. 2.655 |
| | Pt ₃ -Pt _p | av. 2.878 | av. 2.808 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.966 | av. 2.936 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.874 | av. 1.821 |
| | Pt _p -C _b | av. 2.037 | av. 2.001 |

Table S11. Relevant computed data for the hypothetical cluster $[\text{Pt}_{25}(\text{CO})_{22}]^{12-}$.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{25}(\text{CO})_{22}]^{12-}$ |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.63 eV |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt _c -Pt _{c'} | av. 2.710 [0.0766] |
| | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.782 [0.1336] |
| | Pt _{c'} -Pt _p | av. 2.831 [0.1178] |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.988 [0.0596] |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.829 [1.1733] |
| | Pt _p -C _b | - |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Pt _c | -0.71 |
| | Pt _{c'} | -0.79 |
| | Pt _p | -0.04 |
| | CO | =0.40 |

Table S12. Relevant computed data for the hypothetical cluster $[\text{Pt}_{23}\text{CO}_{20}]^{12-}$.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{23}(\text{CO})_{20}]^{12-}$ |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.57 eV |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₃ -Pt ₃ | 2.752 |
| | Pt ₃ -Pt _p | av. 2.822 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 3.001 |
| | Pt _p -C | av. 1.831 |

Table S13. Relevant computed data for the hypothetical cluster $[\text{Pt}_{23}\text{CO}_{21}]^{10-}$.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{23}(\text{CO})_{21}]^{10-}$ |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.51 eV |
| Distances (Å) | Pt _c -Pt _p | av. 2.781 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.951 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.843 |

Table S14. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{38}(\mu\text{-CO})_{12}(\text{CO})_{32}]^{2-}$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{38}(\mu\text{-CO})_{12}(\text{CO})_{32}]^{2-}$ | Exp. ⁷ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.45 eV | |
| Distances (Å) [Wiberg indices] | Pt ₆ | av. 2.822 [0.0566] | av. 2.811 |
| | Pt ₆ -Pt _p | av. 2.838 [0.1141] | av. 2.822 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.857 [0.0761] | av. 2.845 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.880 [0.7805] | av. 1.857 |
| | Pt _p -C _b | av. 2.021 [0.5574] | av. 1.973 |
| NAO Charges (av.) | Centered Pt ₆ | -0.55 | |
| | Pt _p | +0.17 | |
| | CO | -0.05 | |

Table S15. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{36}(\mu\text{-CO})_{18}(\text{CO})_{26}]^{2-}$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{36}(\mu\text{-CO})_{18}(\text{CO})_{26}]^{2-}$ | Exp. ⁴ |
|---------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.24 eV | |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₆ | av. 2.769 | av. 2.770 |
| | Pt ₆ -Pt _p | av. 2.830 | av. 2.784 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.898 | av. 2.855 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.880 | av. 1.833 |
| | Pt _p -C _b | av. 2.050 | av. 2.011 |

Table S16. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\mu_3\text{-CO})_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3(\text{CO})_{18}(\mu_4\text{-AuPH}_3)_3]^-$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\mu_3\text{-CO})_3(\mu\text{-CO})_3(\text{CO})_{18}(\mu_4\text{-AuPH}_3)_3]^-$ | Exp. ⁸ |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 1.06 eV | |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₃ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.835 | av. 2.816 |
| | Pt ₃ -Pt ₇ | av. 2.844 | av. 2.782 |
| | Pt ₇ -Pt ₇ | av. 2.828 | av. 2.796 |
| | Pt ₇ -Pt ₆ | av. 2.820 | av. 2.796 |
| | Pt ₆ -Pt ₆ | av. 2.846 | av. 2.833 |
| | Pt ₆ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.835 | av. 2.804 |
| | Pt ₃ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.856 | av. 2.859 |
| | Pt-(μ ₄ -Au) | av. 2.832 | av. 2.859 |
| | Pt-C _t | av. 1.882 | av. 1.905 |
| | Pt-C _b | av. 2.030 | av. 2.072 |
| Pt-(μ ₃ -C) | av. 2.158 | av. 2.187 | |

Table S17. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\mu_3\text{-CO})(\mu\text{-CO})_5(\text{CO})_{18}\{\mu_4\text{-Au}_2(\text{PH}_3)_2\}_2]$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{19}(\mu_3\text{-CO})(\mu\text{-CO})_5(\text{CO})_{18}\{\mu_4\text{-Au}_2(\text{PH}_3)_2\}_2]$ | Exp. ⁸ |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.94 eV | |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₃ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.823 | av. 2.808 |
| | Pt ₃ -Pt ₇ | av. 2.851 | av. 2.799 |
| | Pt ₇ -Pt ₇ | av. 2.842 | av. 2.795 |
| | Pt ₇ -Pt ₆ | av. 2.802 | av. 2.786 |
| | Pt ₆ -Pt ₆ | av. 2.859 | av. 2.823 |
| | Pt ₆ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.840 | av. 2.799 |
| | Pt ₃ -Pt ₃ | av. 2.835 | av. 2.823 |
| | Pt-(μ ₄ -Au) | av. 2.828 | av. 2.838 |
| | Pt-C _t | av. 1.886 | av. 1.885 |
| | Pt-C _b | av. 2.037 | av. 1.983 |
| Pt-(μ ₃ -C) | av. 2.150 | av. 2.146 | |

Table S18. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{40}(\mu\text{-CO})_{16}(\text{CO})_{24}]^{6-}$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{40}(\mu\text{-CO})_{16}(\text{CO})_{24}]^{6-}$ | Exp. ⁹ |
|---------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.25 eV | |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₈ | av. 2.762 | av. 2.745 |
| | Pt ₈ -Pt _p | av. 2.773 | av. 2.737 |
| | Pt _p -Pt _p | av. 2.874 | av. 2.883 |
| | Pt _p -C _t | av. 1.860 | av. 1.851 |
| | Pt _p -C _b | av. 2.023 | av. 1.978 |

Table S19. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{24}(\mu\text{-CO})_8(\text{CO})_{22}]^{2-}$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{24}(\mu\text{-CO})_8(\text{CO})_{22}]^{2-}$ | Exp. ⁴ |
|---------------|------------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.66 eV | |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₁₀ -Pt ₁₀ | av. 2.826 | av. 2.803 |
| | Pt ₁₀ -Pt ₉ | av. 2.850 | av. 2.826 |
| | Pt ₉ -Pt ₉ | av. 2.819 | av. 2.797 |
| | Pt ₉ -Pt ₅ | av. 2.843 | av. 2.819 |
| | Pt ₅ -Pt ₅ | av. 2.824 | av. 2.796 |
| | Pt-C _t | av. 1.878 | av. 1.860 |
| | Pt-C _b | av. 2.033 | av. 1.996 |

Table S20. Relevant computed data for $[\text{Pt}_{33}(\mu\text{-CO})_{10}(\text{CO})_{28}]^{2-}$. Experimental bond distances are given for comparison.

| | | $[\text{Pt}_{33}(\mu\text{-CO})_{10}(\text{CO})_{28}]^{2-}$ | Exp. ⁴ |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| HOMO-LUMO gap | | 0.49 eV | |
| Distances (Å) | Pt ₈ -Pt ₈ | av. 2.858 | av. 2.828 |
| | Pt ₈ -Pt ₁₂ | av. 2.838 | av. 2.815 |
| | Pt ₁₂ -Pt ₁₂ | av. 2.824 | av. 2.827 |
| | Pt ₁₂ -Pt ₉ | av. 2.850 | av. 2.818 |
| | Pt ₉ -Pt ₉ | av. 2.823 | av. 2.796 |
| | Pt ₉ -Pt ₄ | av. 2.856 | av. 2.829 |
| | Pt ₄ -Pt ₄ | av. 2.882 | av. 2.837 |
| | Pt-C _t | av. 1.876 | av. 1.857 |
| | Pt-C _b | av. 2.028 | av. 1.996 |

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