

Supporting information: A method to capture the large relativistic and solvent effects on UV-vis spectra of photo-activated metal complexes

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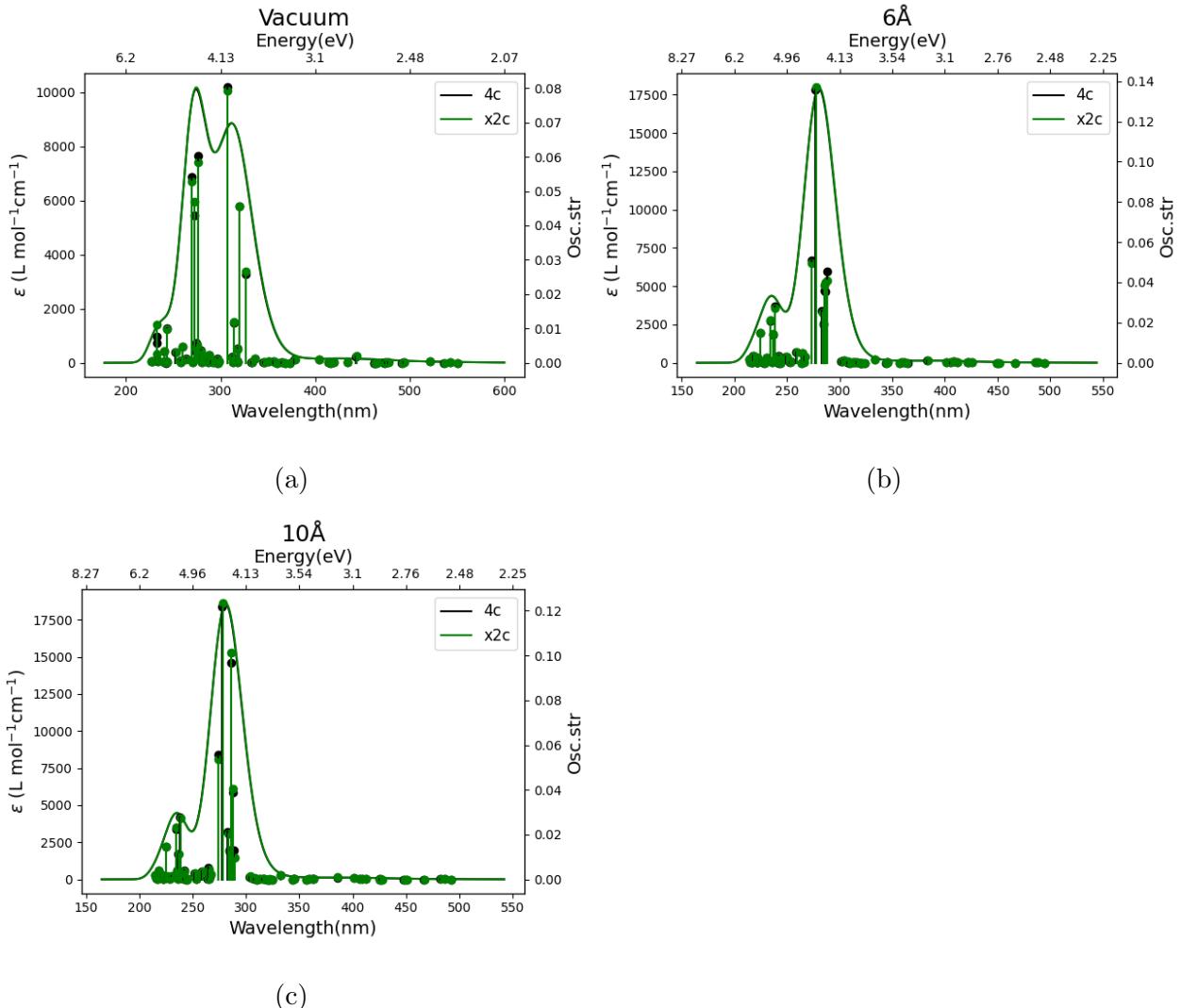


Figure S1: UV-vis spectra calculated using TDDFT with the CAM-B3LYP functional comparing X2C with 4C for (a) Complex in vacuum taken from structure optimized with BP86 (b) Complex solvated in a 6 Å sphere of water molecules (optimized with BP86) (c) Complex solvated in a 10 Å sphere of water molecules (optimized with BP86).

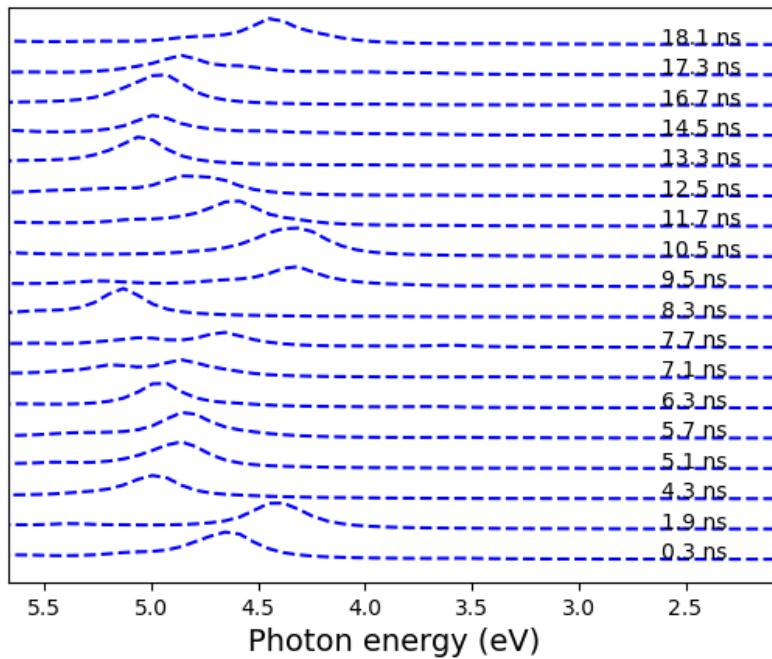


Figure S2: Spectra calculated for various snapshots from md simulation. Peak positions are reported in Table S1

| Snapshot | Peak energy (eV) | $\sigma(\omega)$ [a.u] |
|----------|------------------|------------------------|
| 0.3 ns | 4.653 | 2.586 |
| 1.3 ns | 4.517 | 3.256 |
| 1.7 ns | 4.517 | 2.363 |
| 1.9 ns | 4.381 | 2.458 |
| 2.9 ns | 4.857 | 2.425 |
| 3.9 ns | 4.313 | 2.099 |
| 4.3 ns | 4.993 | 2.21 |
| 4.5 ns | 4.993 | 2.911 |
| 4.9 ns | 4.585 | 1.347 |
| 5.1 ns | 4.857 | 2.531 |
| 5.3 ns | 4.789 | 1.537 |
| 5.7 ns | 4.857 | 2.437 |
| 5.9 ns | 4.653 | 3.079 |
| 6.1 ns | 4.993 | 2.571 |
| 6.3 ns | 4.925 | 2.319 |
| 6.5 ns | 4.789 | 1.857 |
| 6.7 ns | 4.993 | 2.527 |
| 7.1 ns | 4.857 | 1.689 |
| 7.3 ns | 4.993 | 1.357 |
| 7.5 ns | 4.789 | 2.182 |
| 7.7 ns | 4.653 | 1.414 |
| 7.9 ns | 4.653 | 1.732 |
| 8.1 ns | 4.517 | 2.533 |
| 8.3 ns | 5.129 | 2.716 |
| 8.7 ns | 5.061 | 2.84 |
| 9.5 ns | 4.313 | 1.908 |
| 10.3 ns | 4.993 | 2.412 |
| 10.5 ns | 4.313 | 2.704 |
| 10.9 ns | 5.129 | 3.029 |
| 11.3 ns | 4.653 | 1.403 |
| 11.7 ns | 4.585 | 2.383 |
| 11.9 ns | 5.129 | 2.839 |
| 12.1 ns | 4.857 | 2.786 |
| 12.5 ns | 4.857 | 1.894 |
| 12.9 ns | 5.061 | 1.287 |
| 13.1 ns | 5.061 | 2.64 |
| 13.3 ns | 5.061 | 2.725 |
| 13.5 ns | 4.789 | 2.131 |
| 14.5 ns | 4.993 | 1.903 |
| 15.1 ns | 4.857 | 2.215 |
| 16.1 ns | 4.653 | 2.879 |
| 16.7 ns | 4.925 | 2.874 |
| 16.9 ns | 4.789 | 2.952 |
| 17.1 ns | 4.381 | 2.6 |
| 17.3 ns | 4.857 | 1.846 |
| 17.7 ns | 4.789 | 2.775 |
| 17.9 ns | 4.857 | 2.902 |
| 18.1 ns | 4.449 | 2.458 |
| 18.3 ns | 5.061 | 1.615 |

Table S1: Data for the peaks of all md snapshots

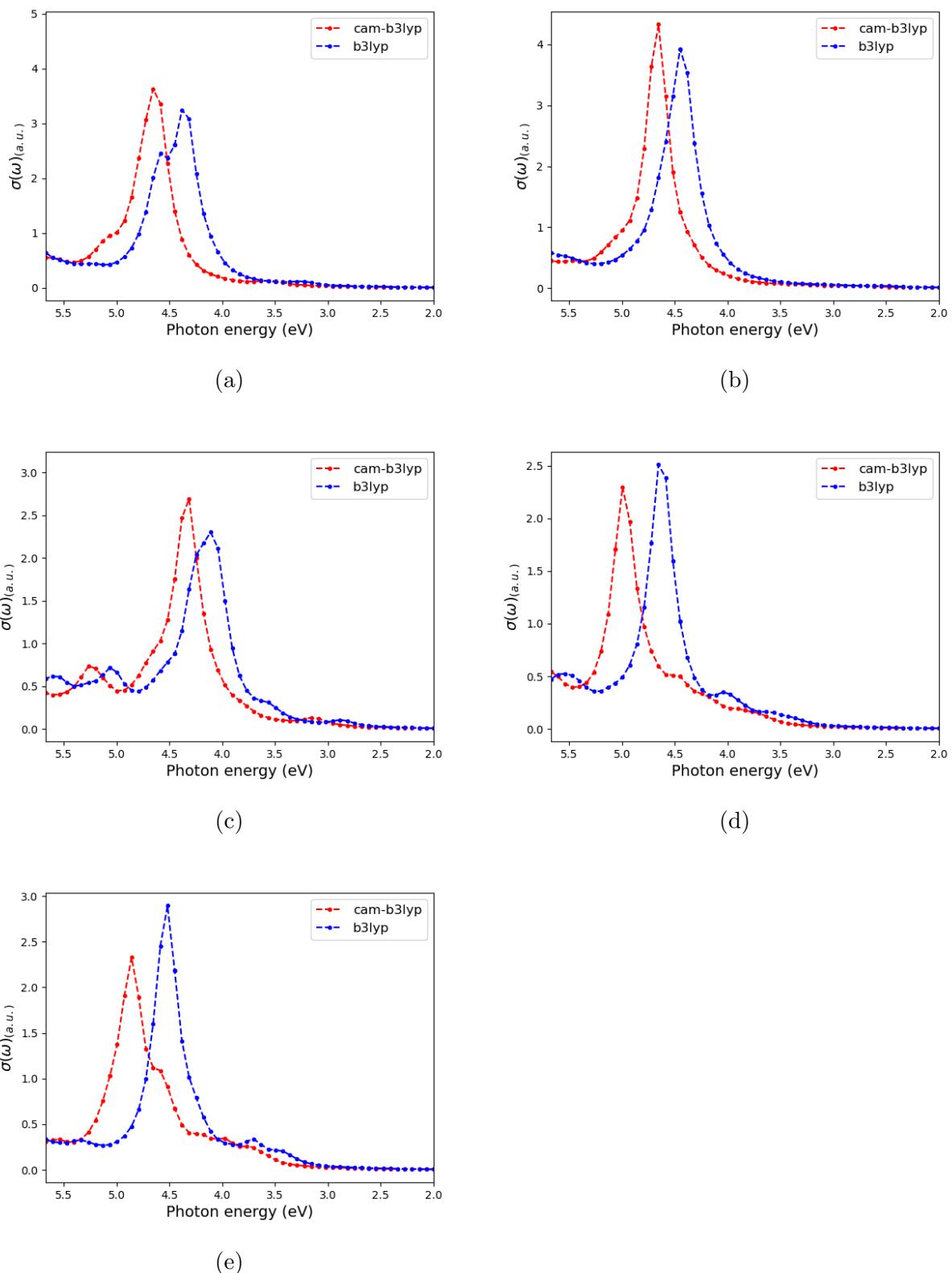


Figure S4 Comparison of B3LYP and CAM-B3LYP for 5 structures

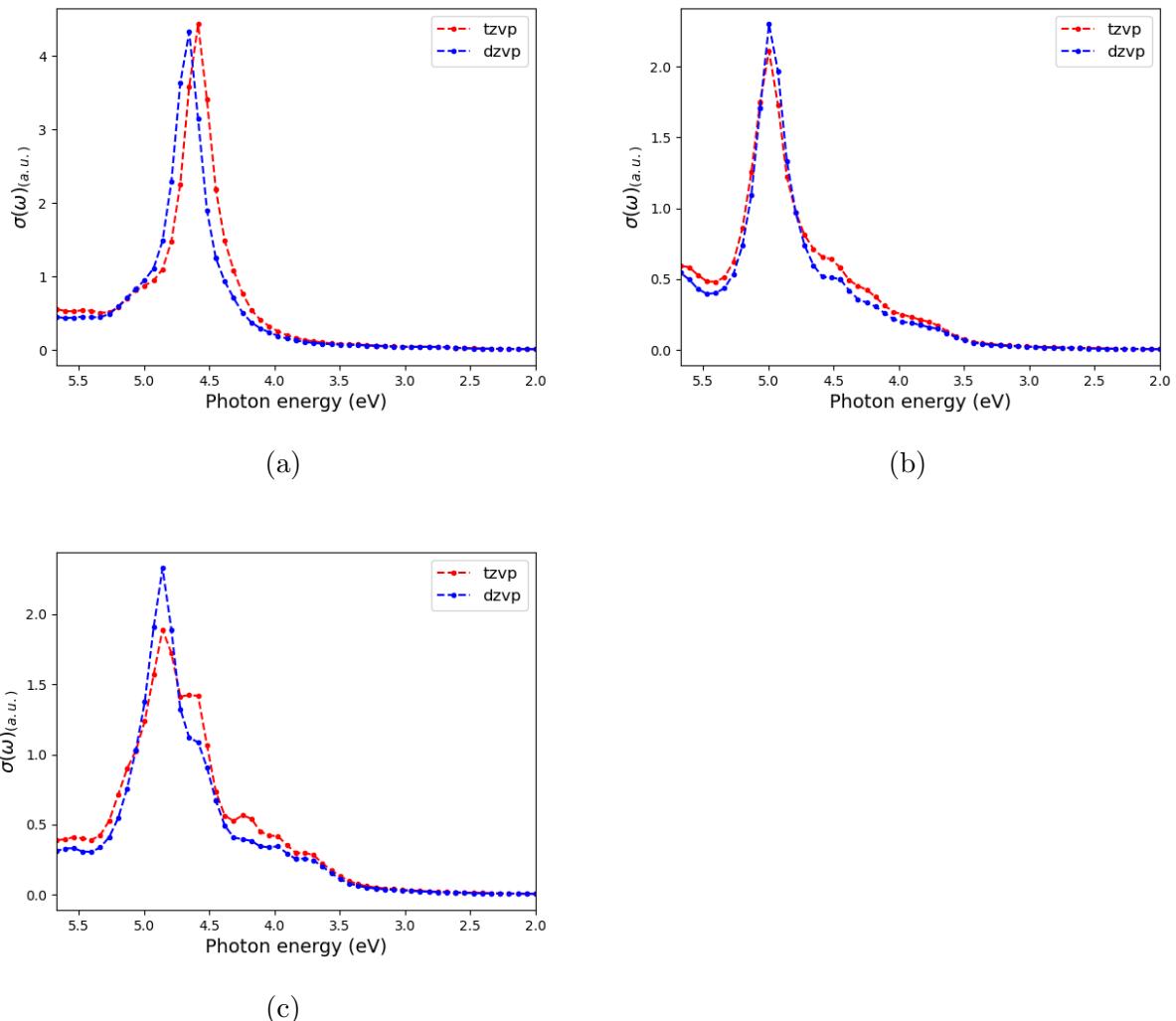


Figure S5 Comparison of spectra obtained with DZVP (def2-sv(p) for ligands and dyall.v2z for Pt) and TZVP (def2-tzvp for the ligands and dyall.v3z for Pt) using CAM-B3LYP for 3 structures.

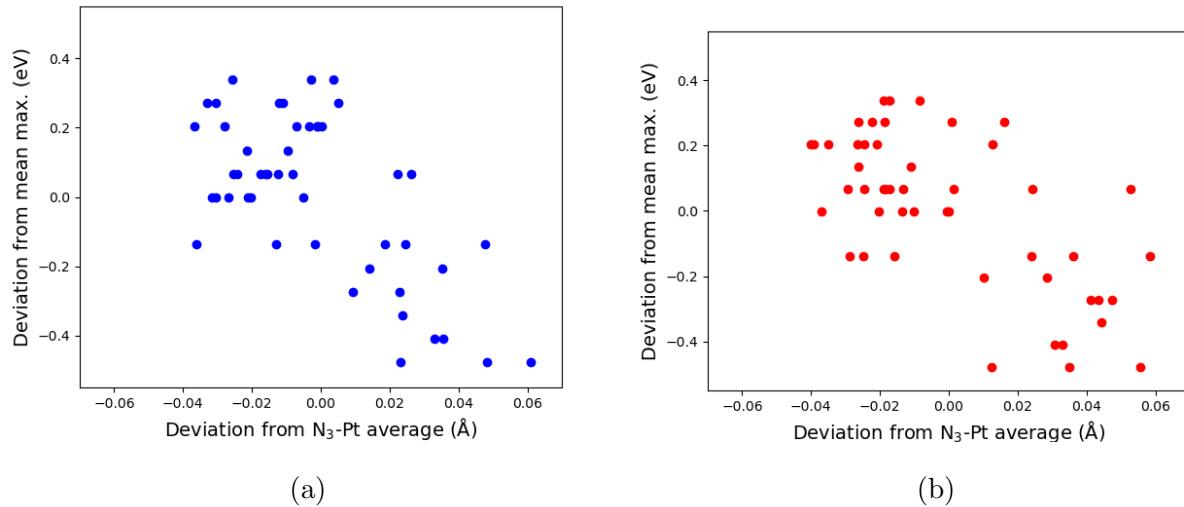


Figure S6 The figures show the deviation from the average peak displayed against the deviation from the average bond length with respect to the two N_3 -Pt bond distances.

| Snapshots | Peak (eV) | $\sigma(\omega)$ [a.u.] | Snapshots | Peak (eV) | $\sigma(\omega)$ [a.u.] |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 1–10 | 4.67 ± 0.23 | 2.42 ± 0.48 | 1–10 | 4.67 ± 0.23 | 2.42 ± 0.48 |
| 11–20 | 4.87 ± 0.11 | 2.15 ± 0.54 | 1–20 | 4.76 ± 0.21 | 2.29 ± 0.52 |
| 21–30 | 4.76 ± 0.27 | 2.22 ± 0.47 | 1–30 | 4.76 ± 0.23 | 2.27 ± 0.51 |
| 31–40 | 4.87 ± 0.26 | 2.37 ± 0.59 | 1–40 | 4.79 ± 0.24 | 2.30 ± 0.53 |
| 41–49 | 4.78 ± 0.17 | 2.46 ± 0.42 | 1–49 | 4.79 ± 0.23 | 2.33 ± 0.52 |

TABLE S2: Averages and deviations for excitation energies and absorption cross sections (either blocks of 10 snapshots or cumulative).