

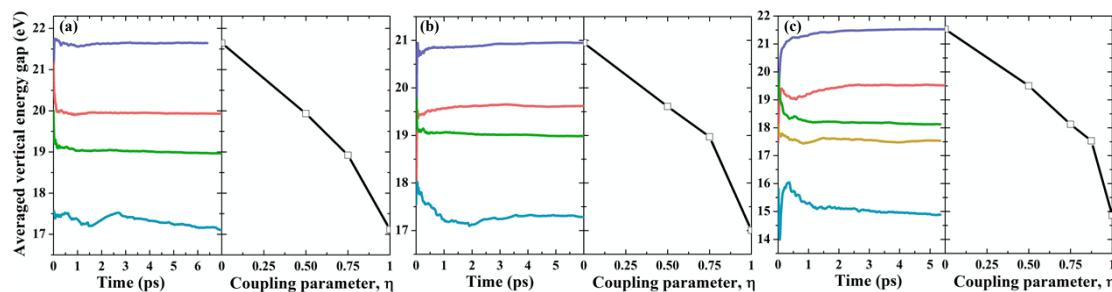
## Theoretical investigation on the water adsorption conformations at the aqueous anatase $\text{TiO}_2$ /water interfaces

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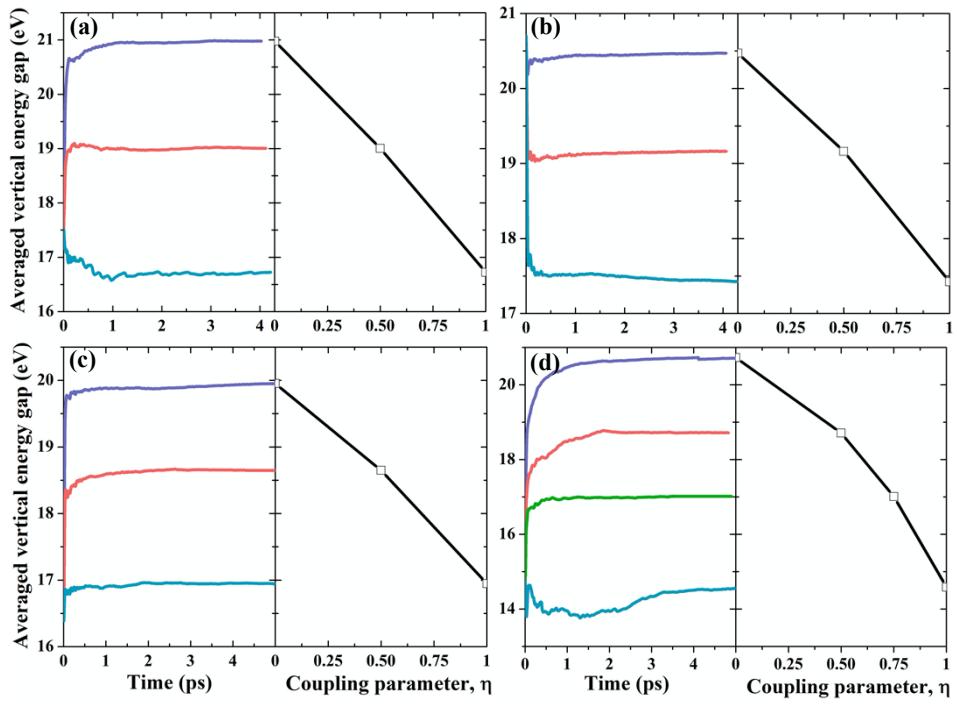
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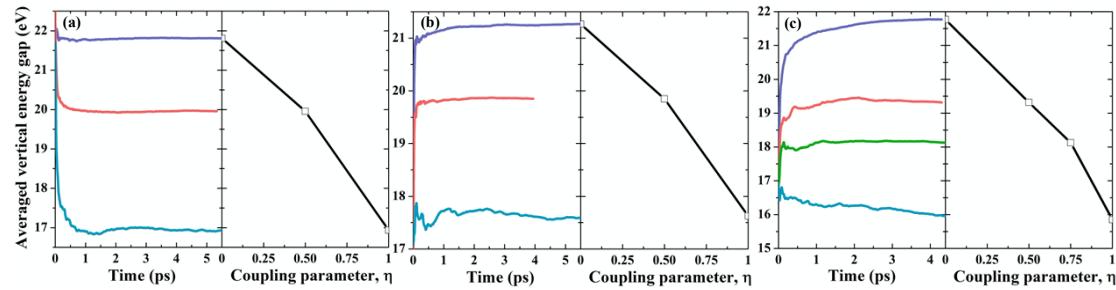
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**Fig. S1** Time accumulative averages of vertical energy gaps against the coupling parameters for the deprotonation reactions of the aqueous anatase (101) surface: (a) the deprotonation of  $\text{TiOH}_2$ ; (b) the deprotonation of  $\text{Ti}_2\text{OH}^+$ ; (c) the deprotonation of  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  at (101)/water interface.



**Fig. S2** Time accumulative averages of vertical energy gaps against the coupling parameters for the deprotonation reactions of the aqueous anatase (001) surface: (a) the deprotonation of  $\text{TiOH}_2$ ; (b) the deprotonation of  $\text{Ti}_2\text{OH}^+$  for  $\text{O}_\text{A}$  site; (c) the deprotonation of  $\text{Ti}_2\text{OH}^+$  for  $\text{O}_\text{B}$  site; (d) the deprotonation of  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  at (001)/water interface.



**Fig. S3** Time accumulative averages of vertical energy gaps against the coupling parameters for the deprotonation reactions of the aqueous anatase (100) surface: (a) the deprotonation of  $\text{TiOH}_2$ ; (b) the deprotonation of  $\text{Ti}_2\text{OH}^+$ ; (c) the deprotonation of  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  at (100)/water interface.

**Table S1** The average electrostatic potentials of solid phase ( $V_{solid}$ , eV), vacuum phase ( $V_{vac}$ , eV) and the electrostatic potential difference ( $\Delta V$ , eV) for anatase (101) surface.

Layer	$V_{solid}$	$V_{vac}$	$\Delta V$
3L	-7.16	5.62	12.78
4L	-6.38	6.56	12.94
5L	-5.68	7.24	12.92
6L	-5.10	7.83	12.93

**Table S2** The average electrostatic potentials of solid phase ( $V_{solid}$ , eV), vacuum phase ( $V_{vac}$ , eV) and the electrostatic potential difference ( $\Delta V$ , eV) for anatase (001) surface.

Layer	$V_{solid}$	$V_{vac}$	$\Delta V$
3L	-8.51	3.77	12.28
4L	-8.84	3.51	12.35
5L	-7.93	4.55	12.48
6L	-7.09	5.40	12.49
7L	-6.60	5.87	12.47

**Table S3** The average electrostatic potentials of solid phase ( $V_{solid}$ , eV), vacuum phase ( $V_{vac}$ , eV) and the electrostatic potential difference ( $\Delta V$ , eV) for anatase (100) surface.

Layer	$V_{solid}$	$V_{vac}$	$\Delta V$
3L	-7.49	5.09	12.63
4L	-7.50	4.79	12.29
5L	-7.01	5.42	12.43
6L	-6.65	5.84	12.49
7L	-6.20	6.32	12.52
8L	-5.84	6.67	12.51
9L	-5.51	7.01	12.52