## Structure and dynamics of liquid water from ab initio simulations: Adding Minnesota density functionals to Jacob's ladder

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## Simulation details

Table S1 Simulation details (production phase) for the different density functionals studied. M06-2X<sup>a</sup> corresponds to a similar simulation protocol conducted at larger wavefunction cutoff  $E_{cut}^{\phi} = 120$  Ry, against 80 Ry for other trajectories. The BLYP GGA functional is shown for comparison.

| Functional          | $N_{\rm mol}$       | Dynamics | t <sub>traj</sub> [ps] | n  | $\Delta t$ [a.u.   fs] | ī <sup>outer</sup> [min] | ī <sup>inner</sup> [min] | Speedup | ī₅ <sub>im</sub> [days∕ps] | $(dE/dt)_{\rm max}$ [a.u./ps   %] |
|---------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|----|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                     |                     |          | 2                      |    |                        | Meta-GGA                 |                          |         |                            |                                   |
| M06-L               | 64 D <sub>2</sub> O | CP       | 10.0                   | 1  | 2.0   0.048            | -                        | 0.029                    | -       | 0.42                       | $0.000015 \mid 1 \cdot 10^{-6}$   |
| revM06-L            | 64 D <sub>2</sub> O | CP       | 10.0                   | 1  | 3.5   0.085            | -                        | 0.035                    | -       | 0.28                       | $0.000003 \mid 3 \cdot 10^{-7}$   |
| M11-L               | 64 D <sub>2</sub> O | CP       | 10.2                   | 1  | 3.5 0.085              | -                        | 0.037                    | -       | 0.30                       | $0.000919 \mid 8 \cdot 10^{-5}$   |
| MN12-L              | 64 D <sub>2</sub> O | CP       | 10.2                   | 1  | 3.5 0.085              | -                        | 0.031                    | -       | 0.26                       | $0.000003 \mid 2 \cdot 10^{-7}$   |
| MN15-L              | 64 D <sub>2</sub> O | CP       | 10.2                   | 1  | 3.0 0.073              | -                        | 0.027                    | -       | 0.26                       | $0.000009 \mid 9 \cdot 10^{-7}$   |
|                     |                     |          |                        |    | I                      | Hybrid meta-G            | GA                       |         |                            |                                   |
| M06                 | 32 H <sub>2</sub> O | ML-MTS   | 6.0                    | 6  | 90.0   2.177           | 88.82                    | 0.08                     | 5.97    | 30                         | $0.004870 \mid 9 \cdot 10^{-4}$   |
| M06-HF              | $32 H_2O$           | ML-MTS   | 6.0                    | 6  | 90.0   2.177           | 41.72                    | 0.09                     | 5.92    | 14                         | $0.003075 \mid 6 \cdot 10^{-4}$   |
| M06-2X              | $32 H_2O$           | ML-MTS   | 7.1                    | 10 | 150.0 3.628            | 21.75                    | 0.10                     | 9.57    | 4                          | $0.001272 \mid 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$   |
| M06-2X <sup>a</sup> | 32 H <sub>2</sub> O | ML-MTS   | 7.0                    | 10 | 150.0 3.628            | 42.83                    | 0.19                     | 9.58    | 7                          | $0.000823 \mid 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$   |
| M08-HX              | $32 H_2O$           | ML-MTS   | 8.7                    | 6  | 90.0 2.177             | 16.94                    | 0.09                     | 5.81    | 6                          | $0.000621 \mid 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$   |
| M08-SO              | 32 H <sub>2</sub> O | ML-MTS   | 6.8                    | 10 | 150.0 3.628            | 21.36                    | 0.10                     | 9.57    | 4                          | $0.005239 \mid 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$   |
| M11                 | $32 H_2O$           | ML-MTS   | 6.0                    | 10 | 150.0 3.628            | 87.87                    | 0.16                     | 9.83    | 16                         | $0.003982   7 \cdot 10^{-4}$      |
| MN12-SX             | 32 H <sub>2</sub> O | ML-MTS   | 6.0                    | 6  | 90.0 2.177             | 18.91                    | 0.13                     | 5.77    | 6                          | $0.000833 \mid 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$   |
| MN15                | $32 H_2O$           | ML-MTS   | 6.0                    | 10 | 150.0 3.628            | 35.12                    | 0.10                     | 9.72    | 7                          | $0.007592 \mid 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$   |
|                     |                     |          |                        |    |                        | GGA                      |                          |         |                            |                                   |
| BLYP                | 32 H <sub>2</sub> O | BO       | 20.0                   | 1  | 15.0 0.363             | -                        | 0.029                    | -       | 0.06                       | $0.003504   6 \cdot 10^{-4}$      |

N<sub>mol</sub> is the number of heavy water molecules (D<sub>2</sub>O), respectively light water (H<sub>2</sub>O), simulated with meta-GGAs and hybrid meta-GGAs.

CP stands for Car-Parrinello dynamics while ML-MTS means Born-Oppenheimer (BO) dynamics accelerated with the machine-learning enhanced multiple time step scheme <sup>119</sup>.

 $t_{\text{traj}}$  is the simulation length of the production phase. *n* is the ratio between inner and outer time steps when the ML-MTS scheme is used.  $\Delta t = \delta t$  corresponds to the time step for CP dynamics, while for the ML-MTS scheme  $\Delta t = n \cdot \delta t$  corresponds to the outer (physical) time step.

 $\bar{t}^{\text{outer/inner}}$  are the averaged elapsed times taken per outer/inner time step. We also report the ML-MTS speedup against standard BO dynamics from  $\bar{t}^{\text{outer}}$  and  $\bar{t}^{\text{inner}}$ .  $\bar{t}_{\text{sim}}$  is the running time in order to get 1 ps of trajectory. Timings are reported for a full distribution of MPI tasks over 16 (13) Intel Xeon E5-2690 v3 @ 2.60GHz nodes with 12 cores each for respectively the meta-GGAs (hybrid meta-GGAs).

 $(dE/dt)_{max}$  represents the maximum energy fluctuation per time observed along each trajectory, in absolute and relative value compared to the average energy of the system.



Fig. S1 Oxygen-oxygen ( $g_{OO}$ ), oxygen-hydrogen ( $g_{OH}$ ) and hydrogen-hydrogen ( $g_{HH}$ ) radial distribution functions of liquid water predicted by the M06-2X Minnesota density functional, with a plane-wave wavefunction cutoff energy  $E_{cut}^{\phi} = 120$  Ry (black), against 80 Ry (green). The experimental reference for  $g_{OO}$  comes from X-ray diffraction <sup>54,55</sup> interpolated at 298 K<sup>197</sup> and joint X-ray/neutron diffraction experiments were used for  $g_{OH}$  and  $g_{HH}$  <sup>58</sup>. Black areas represent experimental uncertainties.

Structural properties



Fig. S2 Position  $r_{\text{max}}$  and height  $g_{OO}^{\text{max}}$  of the first peak of the  $g_{OO}$  distribution at different temperatures extracted from X-ray measurements<sup>55</sup>, as well as their first minimum analogues ( $r_{\min}$ ,  $g_{OO}^{\min}$ ). Shown are the fitting curves used to rescale the simulated data to a common 298 K temperature, assuming a temperature dependency of DFT functionals similar to the experiment.

Table S2 Structure of liquid water. Position [Å] and height of the first maximum  $(r_{max}, g_{OO}^{max})$  and first minimum  $(r_{min}, g_{OO}^{min})$  of the oxygen-oxygen radial distribution function as obtained from MD or MC simulations with various DFT functionals at temperature  $T_{avg}$  [K]. Their normalized analogues  $(r_{max}^*, g_{OO}^{max})$  and  $(r_{min}^*, g_{OO}^{min*})$  rescaled to 298 K were calculated from the experimental fits of Fig. S2. Corresponding references (cf. main text) are provided alongside the functional names.

|  |      |                  | T =                            | Tavg                                    |                                |              | T = 2             | 298 K        |                   |
|--|------|------------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Functional                                   | Tavg | r <sub>max</sub> | g <sub>OO</sub> <sup>max</sup> | $r_{\rm min}$                           | g <sup>min</sup> <sub>OO</sub> | $r_{\max}^*$ | g <sup>max*</sup> | $r_{\min}^*$ | g <sup>min*</sup> |
|  |      |                  |                                | GGA                                     |                                |              |                   |              |                   |
| BLYP <sup>124</sup>                          | 319  | 2.77             | 2.86                           | 3.31                                    | 0.66                           | 2.76         | 2.98              | 3.26         | 0.61              |
| BLYP-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                    | 308  | 2.79             | 2.72                           | 3.36                                    | 0.85                           | 2.79         | 2.78              | 3.34         | 0.82              |
| BLYP-D3 <sup>154</sup>                       | 295  | 2.78             | 2.78                           | 3.51                                    | 0.92                           | 2.78         | 2.76              | 3.52         | 0.93              |
| PBE 124                                      | 314  | 2.72             | 3.19                           | 3.27                                    | 0.43                           | 2.72         | 3.28              | 3.23         | 0.39              |
| PBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                     | 323  | 2.71             | 3.27                           | 3.28                                    | 0.40                           | 2.70         | 3.42              | 3.21         | 0.35              |
| PBE-D3 <sup>154</sup>                        | 295  | 2.73             | 3.07                           | 3.25                                    | 0.69                           | 2.73         | 3.05              | 3.26         | 0.70              |
| revPBE <sup>124</sup>                        | 323  | 2.80             | 2.38                           | 3.34                                    | 0.90                           | 2.79         | 2.53              | 3.27         | 0.85              |
| revPBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                  | 331  | 2.74             | 2.94                           | 3.35                                    | 0.76                           | 2.73         | 3.13              | 3.25         | 0.70              |
| revPBE-D3 <sup>143</sup>                     | 298  | 2.81             | 2.59                           | 3.52                                    | 0.89                           | 2.81         | 2.59              | 3.52         | 0.89              |
| rVV10 <sup>154</sup>                         | 295  | 2.73             | 3.22                           | 3.32                                    | 0.79                           | 2.73         | 3.20              | 3.33         | 0.80              |
| optB88-vdW <sup>154</sup>                    | 295  | 2.74             | 2.94                           | 3.34                                    | 0.80                           | 2.74         | 2.92              | 3.35         | 0.81              |
|  |      |                  | Μ                              | leta-GGA                                |                                |              |                   |              |                   |
| M06-L  | 291  | 2.85             | 2.36                           | 4.50                                    | 0.92                           | 2.85         | 2.32              | 4.51         | 0.94              |
| revM06-L                                     | 311  | 3.09             | 2.37                           | 4.58                                    | 0.72                           | 3.09         | 2.45              | 4.55         | 0.69              |
| M11-L  | 286  | 2.89             | 2.11                           | 4.59                                    | 0.86                           | 2.89         | 2.04              | 4.61         | 0.90              |
| MN12-L                                       | 296  | 3.13             | 3.20                           | 4.31                                    | 0.45                           | 3.13         | 3.19              | 4.31         | 0.46              |
| MN15-L                                       | 283  | 3.37             | 2.70                           | 4.61                                    | 0.43                           | 3.37         | 2.61              | 4.63         | 0.48              |
| SCAN <sup>40</sup>                           | 300  | 2.76             | 3.24                           | 3.31                                    | 0.72                           | 2.76         | 3.25              | 3.31         | 0.71              |
| SCAN+rVV10 <sup>138</sup>                    | 300  | 2.74             | 3.20                           | 3.32                                    | 0.65                           | 2.74         | 3.21              | 3.32         | 0.64              |
| TPSS <sup>140</sup>                          | 350  | 2.71             | 3.40                           | 3.29                                    | 0.33                           | 2.69         | 3.70              | 3.08         | 0.25              |
| B97M-rV <sup>117</sup>                       | 300  | 2.83             | 2.69                           | 3.61                                    | 0.91                           | 2.83         | 2.70              | 3.61         | 0.90              |
|  |      |                  |                                | Hybrid                                  |                                |              |                   |              |                   |
| B3LYP <sup>140</sup>                         | 350  | 2.79             | 2.48                           | 3.40                                    | 0.81                           | 2.77         | 2.78              | 3.19         | 0.73              |
| PBE0 <sup>162</sup>                          | 300  | 2.71             | 2.96                           | 3.30                                    | 0.53                           | 2.71         | 2.97              | 3.30         | 0.52              |
| PBE0-TS-vdW(SC) <sup>162</sup>               | 300  | 2.72             | 2.76                           | 3.31                                    | 0.70                           | 2.72         | 2.77              | 3.31         | 0.69              |
| PBE0-D3 <sup>154</sup>                       | 295  | 2.74             | 2.88                           | 3.29                                    | 0.79                           | 2.74         | 2.86              | 3.30         | 0.80              |
| revPBE0-D3 <sup>117</sup>                    | 300  | 2.80             | 2.57                           | 3.47                                    | 0.89                           | 2.80         | 2.58              | 3.47         | 0.88              |
|  |      |                  | Hybri                          | id meta-G                               | GA                             |              |                   |              |                   |
| M06  | 312  | 2.85             | 2.24                           | 4.70                                    | 0.91                           | 2.85         | 2.32              | 4.67         | 0.88              |
| M06-HF                                       | 329  | 2.65             | 2.72                           | 3.22                                    | 0.63                           | 2.64         | 2.90              | 3.13         | 0.57              |
| M06-2X                                       | 299  | 2.81             | 2.89                           | 3.74                                    | 0.85                           | 2.81         | 2.90              | 3.74         | 0.85              |
| M06-2X, $E_{cut}^{\varphi} = 120 \text{ Ry}$ | 290  | 2.81             | 2.86                           | 3.71                                    | 0.86                           | 2.81         | 2.81              | 3.72         | 0.89              |
| M08-HX                                       | 298  | 2.82             | 2.96                           | 4.02                                    | 0.81                           | 2.82         | 2.96              | 4.02         | 0.81              |
| M00-50<br>M11                                | 310  | 2.05             | 5.01<br>2.72                   | 4.10<br>2.01                            | 0.91                           | 2.04         | 5.1Z<br>2.80      | 4.00         | 0.07              |
| MN12-SX                                      | 292  | 2.05             | 2.75                           | 3.86                                    | 0.90                           | 2.04         | 2.07              | 3.87         | 0.20              |
| MN12 OX<br>MN15                              | 316  | 2.85             | 2.30                           | 4.47                                    | 0.87                           | 2.84         | 2.41              | 4.43         | 0.83              |
| M06-2X-D3 <sup>154</sup>                     | 295  | 2.78             | 3.00                           | 3 45                                    | 0.78                           | 2.78         | 2.98              | 3 46         | 0.79              |
| SCANO/MI <sup>164</sup>                      | 300  | 2.76             | 3.04                           | 3 30                                    | 0.70                           | 2.76         | 3.05              | 3 30         | 0.69              |
|  | 500  | 2.70             | Post-HF                        | double-h                                | vbrid                          | 2.70         | 5.05              | 5.50         | 0.07              |
| RDA 154                                      | 205  | 2 78             | 2 02                           | 3 41                                    | 0.78                           | 2 78         | 2 01              | 3 4 9        | 0.70              |
|  | 295  | 2.70             | 2.95                           | 2 / 1                                   | 0.70                           | 2.70         | 2.91              | 3.42         | 0.79              |
| MD2 154                                      | 205  | 2.77             | 2.07                           | 3 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | 0.05                           | 2.77         | 2.70              | 3 33         | 0.02              |
| DW/DR05-D3 154                               | 295  | 2.70             | 2.05                           | 3.52                                    | 0.72                           | 2.70         | 2 78              | 3.55         | 0.75              |
| 1 11 0/0-00                                  | 475  | 2.00             | 2.00<br>Fvr                    | oerimenta                               | 0.00                           | 2.00         | 4.70              | 5.01         | 0.07              |
| V row 201455,197                             | 200  | 2 80             | 2 5 5                          | 2 /1                                    | 0.05                           | 2 00         | 2 5 5             | 2 /1         | 0.95              |
| A-1ay 2014                                   | 298  | 2.80             | 2.55                           | 3.41                                    | 0.85                           | 2.80         | 2.55              | 3.41         | 0.85              |

Table S3 Structure of liquid water. Coordination number  $\bar{n}_{OO}$  calculated by integrating  $g_{OO}(r)$  up to its first minimum.  $n_{OO}$  is the coordination number calculated by the same integration up to the first minimum of the radial distribution  $4\pi r^2 g_{OO}(r)$  (eq 1 of the main text). Average number h of hydrogen bonds per water molecule and estimated equilibrium density  $\rho_{eq}$  [g/cm<sup>3</sup>] relative to the experimental one  $\rho_{exp}^{192}$  at same temperature. Results were obtained from MD or MC simulations with various DFT functionals at temperature  $T_{avg}$  [K]. Corresponding references (cf. main text) are provided alongside the functional names.

| Functional   | Tavg | $\bar{n}_{OO}$        | $n_{\rm OO}$          | h                   | $ ho_{ m eq}$        | $ ho_{ m eq}/ ho_{ m exp}$ | System               |  |  |
|--|------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| GGA  |      |                       |                       |                     |                      |                            |                      |  |  |
| BLYP <sup>124</sup>                                      | 319  | 4.2                   | 4.0                   | 3.44                | 1.010                | 0.92                       | D <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| BLYP-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                                | 308  | 4.5                   | 4.2                   | 3.43                | 1.135                | 1.03                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| BLYP-D3 <sup>154</sup>                                   | 295  | 5.6                   | 5.1                   | *3.66               | 1.066                | 1.07                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| PBE <sup>124</sup>                                       | 314  | 4.0                   | 4.0                   | 3.58                | 1.056                | 0.96                       | $D_2 O$              |  |  |
| PBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                                 | 323  | 4.1                   | 4.0                   | 3.63                | 1.063                | 0.97                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| PBE-D3 <sup>154</sup>                                    | 295  | 4.3                   | 4.0                   | *3.64               | 1 053                | 1.06                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| revPBE <sup>124</sup>                                    | 323  | 4.2                   | 3.8                   | 3 20                | 0.931                | 0.85                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| revPBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                              | 331  | 4 7                   | 43                    | 3 59                | 1 114                | 1.02                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| revDBF_D3 <sup>143</sup>                                 | 208  | 5.6                   | 4.6                   | *3.63               | 0.07                 | 0.97                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| rVV10 <sup>154</sup>                                     | 205  | 4.6                   | 4.2                   | *3.80               | 1 078                | 1.08                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| optB88-vdW <sup>154</sup>                                | 205  | 4.7                   | 4.4                   | *3.84               | 1.070                | 1.00                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| optboo-vaw   | 275  | 7.7                   | Meta CCA              | 5.07                | 1.001                | 1.00                       | 1120                 |  |  |
| MOGI   | 201  | 10.0                  | 100A                  | 2 10                | 1 1 2 6              | 1.02                       | D-0                  |  |  |
| revM06-I   | 291  | 12.2                  | 4.9                   | 2 90                | 1.130                | 1.05                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| M11-I  | 286  | 12.0                  | 6.9                   | 3.20                | 1.171                | 1.00                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| MN12-I   | 200  | 11.5                  | 11.2                  | 3.22                | 1.171                | 1.00                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| MN15-L   | 283  | 13.4                  | 13.0                  | 1 93                | 1 280                | 1.00                       | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| SCAN <sup>41</sup>                                       | 220  | 10.1                  | 10.0                  | 2.61                | 1.200                | 0.06                       | D_0                  |  |  |
| SCAN 40  | 200  | - 47                  | -                     | 5.01                | 1.030                | 0.90                       |                      |  |  |
| $SCAN + 30/10^{138}$                                     | 200  | 4.7                   | 4.4                   | *2 90               | 1 16                 | -                          | 1120                 |  |  |
| SCAIN + IV V IO  | 300  | 4.0                   | 4.4                   | 3.60                | 1.10                 | 1.10                       | П <sub>2</sub> О     |  |  |
| 1PS5 <sup>110</sup>                                      | 350  | 117 - 0               | -                     | 3.82                | 1431 10              | -                          | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| B97M-rV 117,118  | 298  | 11/ 5.8               | 4.8                   | ***3.70             | 1101.12              | 1.12                       | H7,115H2O            |  |  |
| 140  |      |                       | Hybrid                |                     |                      |                            |                      |  |  |
| B3LYP 140  | 350  | 4.4                   | 4.0                   | 3.67                | -                    | -                          | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| PBE0 <sup>154,102</sup>                                  | 300  | <sup>102</sup> 4.1    | <sup>102</sup> 3.9    | 1023.71             | <sup>154</sup> 0.832 | 0.83                       | $^{102}D/^{154}H_2O$ |  |  |
| PBE0-TS-vdW(SC) <sup>162</sup>                           | 300  | 4.2                   | 4.1                   | 3.62                | -                    | -                          | $D_2O$               |  |  |
| PBE0-D3 <sup>154</sup>                                   | 295  | 4.4                   | 4.1                   | *3.68               | 1.053                | 1.06                       | $H_2O$               |  |  |
| revPBE0-D3 <sup>117</sup>                                | 300  | 5.3                   | 4.5                   | *3.80               | -                    | -                          | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
|  |      | Hy                    | brid meta-GG          | A                   |                      |                            |                      |  |  |
| M06  | 312  | 13.7                  | 4.7                   | 3.21                | 1.031                | 1.04                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| M06-HF   | 329  | 3.9                   | 3.9                   | 3.55                | 1.051                | 1.07                       | $H_2O$               |  |  |
| M06-2X   | 299  | 6.6                   | 5.5                   | 3.70                | 1.043                | 1.05                       | $H_2O$               |  |  |
| M06-2X, $E_{cut}^{\phi} = 120 \text{ Ry}$                | 290  | 6.6                   | 5.5                   | 3.71                | -                    | -                          | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| M08-HX   | 298  | 8.7                   | 7.6                   | 3.59                | 1.035                | 1.04                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| M08-SO   | 316  | 9.0                   | 5.0                   | 3.70                | 1.033                | 1.04                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| MII<br>MNIO GY   | 326  | 7.6                   | 4.4                   | 3.46                | 1.074                | 1.09                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| MIN12-5X   | 292  | /.8                   | 6.8                   | 3.30                | 1.025                | 1.03                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| MIN15  | 310  | 11.9                  | 4.8                   | 3.20                | 1.073                | 1.08                       | H <sub>2</sub> 0     |  |  |
| M06-2X-D3 <sup>134</sup>                                 | 295  | 5.1                   | 4.7                   | *3.81               | 1.004                | 1.01                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| SCAN0/ML <sup>104</sup>                                  | 300  | 4.5                   | 4.2                   | 3.71                | 1.032                | 1.04                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
|  |      | Post-F                | HF, double-hy         | brid                |                      |                            |                      |  |  |
| RPA <sup>154</sup>                                       | 295  | 4.7                   | 4.2                   | *3.77               | 0.994                | 0.996                      | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| MP2 <sup>154</sup>                                       | 295  | 4.7                   | 4.3                   | *3.81               | 1.020                | 1.022                      | $H_2O$               |  |  |
| PWPB95-D3 <sup>154</sup>                                 | 295  | 5.8                   | 4.7                   | *3.62               | 1.002                | 1.004                      | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| Experimental   |      |                       |                       |                     |                      |                            |                      |  |  |
| X-ray 2014 <sup>55</sup>                                 | 285  | 4.8                   | 4.5                   |                     | 0.99952              | 1.00                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| X-ray 2014 <sup>55,197</sup> /Neutron 2013 <sup>58</sup> | 298  | <sup>55,197</sup> 4.6 | <sup>55,197</sup> 4.3 | <sup>58</sup> *3.80 | 0.99709              | 1.00                       | $H_2O$               |  |  |
| X-ray 2014 <sup>55</sup>                                 | 307  | 4.6                   | 4.3                   |                     | 0.99442              | 1.00                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |
| X-ray 2014 <sup>55</sup>                                 | 324  | 5.2                   | 4.5                   |                     | 0.98765              | 1.00                       | H <sub>2</sub> O     |  |  |

\*estimated from the integration of the second peak of the oxygen-hydrogen radial distribution function  $g_{OH}$ , in the same way as  $n_{OO}$ .



Fig. S3 Distribution  $P(\alpha)$  of the H-bond donor angle  $\alpha$  for donors in the first coordination shell. (a) Meta-GGA Minnesota functionals, (b) hybrid meta-GGA Minnesota functionals.



Fig. S4 H-bond angular distributions as predicted by the M06-2X Minnesota functional, with a plane-wave wavefunction cutoff energy  $E_{cut}^{\phi} = 120$  Ry (black), against 80 Ry (green). (a) Distribution  $P(\beta)$  of the H-bonding angle  $\beta$ , compared to experimental values<sup>210</sup>. (b) Distribution  $P(\alpha)$  of the H-bond donor angle  $\alpha$  for donors in the first coordination shell.

## Dynamical properties

Table S4 Dynamics of liquid water. L [Å] is the side of the cubic simulation cell,  $D_L$  the finite-size diffusion coefficient from simulation and  $D_{\infty}$  its analogue rescaled to infinite size (eq 4 of the main text). Results were obtained from MD simulations with various DFT functionals at temperature  $T_{\text{avg}}$  [K]. Corresponding references (cf. main text) are provided alongside the functional names.  $D_{\infty}^{\text{exp}}$  is the experimental diffusion coefficient at  $T_{\text{avg}}$ , as provided by a fractional-power law<sup>51</sup> fitted to experimental results<sup>47-49,51,211,212</sup>.  $D_L^{\text{exp}}$  is the experimental coefficient rescaled back to finite size (eq 4 of the main text). All diffusion coefficients are in [Å<sup>2</sup>/ps].  $\eta$  [mPa·s] is the experimental shear viscosity<sup>192</sup> of light/heavy water used for rescaling.

| Functional                                | Tavg | L      | $D_L$      | $D_L^{\exp}$ | $D_{\infty}$ | $D^{\exp}_{\infty}$ | $\eta(T_{\rm avg})$ | System                               |  |  |
|---|------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
|   | GGA  |        |            |              |              |                     |                     |                                      |  |  |
| BLYP <sup>124</sup>                       | 319  | 12.420 | 0.10       | 0.23         | 0.18         | 0.30                | 0.70167             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| BLYP-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                 | 308  | 12.420 | 0.17       | 0.18         | 0.23         | 0.24                | 0.87277             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| BLYP-D3 <sup>184</sup>                    | 298  | 15.640 | 0.08       | 0.18         | 0.12         | 0.23                | 0.88982             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| BLYP-D3 <sup>184</sup>                    | 328  | 15.640 | 0.20       | 0.35         | 0.29         | 0.43                | 0.50354             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| PBE <sup>124</sup>                        | 314  | 12.420 | 0.03       | 0.21         | 0.10         | 0.27                | 0.77176             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| PBE <sup>41</sup>                         | 330  | 13.108 | 0.02       | 0.29         | 0.11         | 0.38                | 0.58027             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| PBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                  | 323  | 12.420 | 0.05       | 0.25         | 0.13         | 0.33                | 0.65294             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| revPBE <sup>124</sup>                     | 323  | 12.420 | 0.21       | 0.25         | 0.29         | 0.33                | 0.65294             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| revPBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>               | 331  | 12.420 | 0.16       | 0.29         | 0.26         | 0.39                | 0.57100             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| revPBE-D3 <sup>143</sup>                  | 298  | 12.420 | 0.19       | 0.17         | 0.25         | 0.23                | 0.88982             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| optB88-vdW <sup>40</sup>                  | 300  | 9.850  | 0.07       | 0.17         | 0.14         | 0.24                | 0.85072             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
|   |      |        | Meta       | -GGA         |              |                     |                     |                                      |  |  |
| M06-L                                     | 291  | 12.445 | 0.30       | 0.12         | 0.34         | 0.15                | 1.32310             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| revM06-L                                  | 311  | 12.445 | 0.65       | 0.19         | 0.71         | 0.26                | 0.81967             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| MII-L                                     | 286  | 12.445 | 0.52       | 0.10         | 0.55         | 0.13                | 1.53360             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| MN12-L<br>MN1E I                          | 296  | 12.445 | 0.11       | 0.13         | 0.15         | 0.18                | 1.15640             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
|   | 203  | 12.443 | 0.00       | 0.09         | 0.09         | 0.12                | 1.08780             | D <sub>2</sub> 0                     |  |  |
| SCAN 184                                  | 330  | 12.217 | 0.19       | 0.28         | 0.29         | 0.38                | 0.5802/             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| SCAN 40                                   | 200  | 0.850  | 0.14       | 0.32         | *0.00        | 0.43                | 0.30334             | H 0                                  |  |  |
| SCAN <sup>184</sup>                       | 200  | 9.650  | 0.00       | 0.17         | 0.09         | 0.24                | 0.83072             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| SCAN/MI <sup>163</sup>                    | 290  | 11 017 | 0.05       | 0.17         | 0.08         | 0.23                | 0.00902             | H 0                                  |  |  |
| TDSS 140                                  | 300  | 0.020  | 0.03       | 0.10         | 0.11         | 0.24                | 0.03072             | D <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| B07M rV <sup>117</sup>                    | 300  | 9.939  | 0.03       | 0.30         | 0.20         | 0.33                | 0.45551             | D <sub>2</sub> O<br>H <sub>2</sub> O |  |  |
| D7/1VI-1 V                                | 300  | 12.420 | 0.21<br>Hv | brid         | 0.27         | 0.24                | 0.03072             | 1120                                 |  |  |
| B31VD140                                  | 350  | 0.030  | 0.30       | 0.36         | 0.47         | 0.53                | 0 /2221             | D <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| DBEO 162                                  | 300  | 12 400 | 0.30       | 0.30         | 0.47         | 0.33                | 1.04660             | D <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| $PBEO TS vdW(SC)^{162}$                   | 300  | 12.400 | 0.07       | 0.15         | 0.12         | 0.20                | 1.04660             | D <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| revPBF0_D3 <sup>117</sup>                 | 300  | 12.400 | 0.10       | 0.13         | 0.15         | 0.20                | 0.85072             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
|   | 500  | 12.120 | Hybrid n   | neta-GGA     | 0.27         | 0.21                | 0.03072             | 1120                                 |  |  |
| M06                                       | 312  | 9,939  | 0.69       | 0.22         | 0.79         | 0.31                | 0.66506             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| M06-HF                                    | 329  | 9.939  | 0.16       | 0.30         | 0.30         | 0.44                | 0.49563             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| M06-2X                                    | 299  | 9.939  | 0.31       | 0.16         | 0.38         | 0.23                | 0.86991             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| M06-2X, $E_{cut}^{\phi} = 120 \text{ Ry}$ | 290  | 9.939  | 0.33       | 0.13         | 0.39         | 0.19                | 1.08400             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| M08-HX                                    | 298  | 9.939  | 0.18       | 0.16         | 0.25         | 0.23                | 0.88982             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| M08-SO                                    | 316  | 9.939  | 0.24       | 0.23         | 0.35         | 0.34                | 0.61743             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| M11                                       | 326  | 9.939  | 0.31       | 0.29         | 0.44         | 0.42                | 0.52001             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| MN12-SX                                   | 292  | 9.939  | 0.14       | 0.14         | 0.20         | 0.20                | 1.02640             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| MN15                                      | 316  | 9.939  | 0.30       | 0.23         | 0.41         | 0.34                | 0.61743             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| SCAN0/ML <sup>164</sup>                   | 300  | 24.575 | 0.11       | 0.17         | 0.13         | 0.20                | 1.04660             | $D_2O$                               |  |  |
| SCAN0/ML <sup>104</sup>                   | 300  | 24.575 | 0.12       | 0.21         | 0.15         | 0.24                | 0.85072             | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |  |  |
| 105                                       |      |        | Post       | t-HF         |              |                     |                     |                                      |  |  |
| RPA/ML <sup>105</sup>                     | 300  | 11.817 | 0.17       | 0.18         | 0.23         | 0.24                | 0.85072             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| MP2 <sup>154</sup>                        | 295  | 12.335 | 0.07       | 0.16         | 0.12         | 0.21                | 0.95417             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |
| CCSD(T)/ML PIMD 197                       | 298  | 15.660 | 0.20       | 0.18         | 0.24         | 0.23                | 0.88982             | $H_2O$                               |  |  |

\*rescaled to infinite size with the actual viscosity obtained with the SCAN functional<sup>40</sup>.

Table S5 Dynamics of liquid water. First-order  $\tau_1$  and second-order  $\tau_2$  orientational relaxation times [ps] calculated from the orientational autocorrelation function (eq 5 of the main text), between respectively the geometric dipoles  $\mu$ , OH, and HH vectors. Results were obtained from MD simulations with various DFT functionals at temperature  $T_{avg}$  [K]. Corresponding references (cf. main text) are provided alongside the functional names. Note that  $\tau_{1,2}$  are highly sensitive to statistical sampling and require trajectories that are sufficiently long (approximately three times higher than their value) to be accurately converged, in addition to a sufficient equilibration phase at the beginning of the NVE sampling. Additionally, the fitting or integration methods used for their calculation vary between studies, and experimental results exhibit non-negligible deviations. Nevertheless, we provide these values as a qualitative comparison (with ~10% of error tolerance for Minnesota functionals).

| Functional   | $T_{\rm avg}$ | $	au_1^\mu$              | $	au_2^{\mu}$            | $	au_1^{ m OH}$  | $	au_2^{ m OH}$   | $	au_1^{ m HH}$  | $	au_2^{ m HH}$   | System                               |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
|  |               |                          | GGA                      |                  |                   |                  |                   |                                      |
| BLYP <sup>124</sup>                                  | 319           | <sup><i>a</i></sup> 7.5  | <sup>a</sup> 3.0         | -                | -                 | -                | -                 | D <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| BLYP-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                            | 308           | <sup><i>a</i></sup> 3.6  | <sup><i>a</i></sup> 1.7  | -                | -                 | -                | -                 | $D_2O$                               |
| PBE <sup>124</sup>                                   | 314           | <sup><i>a</i></sup> 36.9 | <sup><i>a</i></sup> 15.6 | -                | -                 | -                | -                 | $D_2 O$                              |
| PBE <sup>41</sup>                                    | 330           | -                        | -                        | -                | <sup>b</sup> 7.1  | -                | -                 | $D_2O$                               |
| PBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                             | 323           | <sup>a</sup> 32.7        | <sup><i>a</i></sup> 10.0 | -                | -                 | -                | -                 | $D_2O$                               |
| revPBE <sup>124</sup>                                | 323           | <sup>a</sup> 2.7         | <sup>a</sup> 13          | -                | -                 | _                | -                 | $D_2O$                               |
| revPBE-DCACP <sup>124</sup>                          | 331           | a5 4                     | <sup>a</sup> 2 1         | _                | _                 | _                | _                 | $D_2O$                               |
| revDBE D3 <sup>204</sup>                             | 300           | <sup>b</sup> л б         | b1 7                     | b 5 1            | b2 2              | <i>b</i> 50      | b2 6              | D <sub>2</sub> O<br>H <sub>2</sub> O |
| TEVF DE-D5   | 300           | 4.0                      | Meta CC                  | J. <del>4</del>  | 2.2               | 5.7              | 2.0               | 1120                                 |
| M06-I  | 201           | 1.8                      | 0.8                      | 23               | 1.0               | 27               | 1 3               | DaO                                  |
| revM06-I   | 311           | 0.4                      | 0.0                      | 0.5              | 0.3               | 0.6              | 0.3               | $D_2O$                               |
| M11-I  | 286           | 1.0                      | 0.2                      | 13               | 0.5               | 1.4              | 0.5               | $D_2O$                               |
| MN12-I   | 200           | 0.4                      | 0.3                      | 0.5              | 0.0               | 0.5              | 0.7               | $D_2O$                               |
| MN15-L   | 283           | 0.4                      | 0.1                      | 0.4              | 0.2               | 0.4              | 0.2               | $D_2O$                               |
| SCAN <sup>41</sup>                                   | 330           | -                        |                          | -                | b2.9              | -                |                   | D <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| SCAN/ML <sup>163</sup>                               | 300           | -                        | <sup>b</sup> 12.9        | -                | <sup>b</sup> 15.7 | -                | <sup>b</sup> 21.5 | $H_2O$                               |
|  |               |                          | Hybrid                   |                  | 1017              |                  | 2110              | 1120                                 |
| revPBE0-D3 <sup>204</sup>                            | 300           | <sup>b</sup> 3 4         | <sup>b</sup> 1 4         | <sup>b</sup> 4 3 | <sup>b</sup> 1 7  | <sup>b</sup> 4 8 | <sup>b</sup> 2.0  | H2O                                  |
|  | 000           | I                        | Jybrid meta              | -GGA             | 1.7               | 1.0              | 2.0               | 1120                                 |
| M06  | 312           | 12                       | 0.5                      | 12               | 0.6               | 12               | 0.6               | HaO                                  |
| M06-HF   | 329           | 47                       | 2.5                      | 6.2              | 33                | 73               | 3.6               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| M06-2X   | 299           | 2.7                      | 11                       | 3.0              | 13                | 3.2              | 14                | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| M06-2X. $E^{\phi} = 120 \text{ By}$                  | 290           | 2.6                      | 1.2                      | 3.3              | 1.5               | 3.8              | 1.7               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| M08-HX   | 298           | 2.8                      | 1.5                      | 3.0              | 1.6               | 3.2              | 1.8               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| M08-SO   | 316           | 2.8                      | 1.3                      | 3.0              | 1.4               | 3.2              | 1.6               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| M11  | 326           | 3.0                      | 1.5                      | 3.6              | 1.6               | 3.9              | 1.9               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| MN12-SX  | 292           | 3.7                      | 1.6                      | 4.4              | 2.0               | 4.9              | 2.9               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| MN15   | 316           | 2.0                      | 1.0                      | 2.0              | 1.1               | 2.0              | 1.3               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| SCAN0/ML <sup>164</sup>                              | 300           | -                        | -                        | -                | <sup>b</sup> 4.6  | -                | -                 | $D_2O$                               |
| SCAN0/ML <sup>164</sup>                              | 300           | -                        | -                        | -                | <sup>b</sup> 4.1  | -                | -                 | $H_2O$                               |
|  | 000           |                          | Post-HF                  | 7                | 1.1               |                  |                   | 1120                                 |
| RPA/MI 165   | 300           |                          | <sup>b</sup> 1 7         |                  | <sup>b</sup> 2 2  |                  | <sup>b</sup> 2.6  | HaO                                  |
| $CCSD(T)/ML DIMD^{197}$                              | 208           | _                        | b1 2                     | -                | <sup>b</sup> 1 7  | -                | <sup>b</sup> 2.0  | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| CCSD(T)/ML PIMD <sup>197</sup>                       | 290           | -                        | 1.5                      | -                | 1.7               | -                | 2.1               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
|  | 290           | -                        | Evperimen                | -<br>ntal        | 5.0               | -                | 5.5               | 1120                                 |
| NMP 1070 <sup>2,199</sup>                            | 200           | 1 0                      | паретние                 | itai             |                   |                  |                   | Н.О                                  |
| NMD 1071 199.213                                     | 200           | 4.0                      | 1.0                      | -                | -                 | -                | -                 |                                      |
| NMR 1971 (for serious T) 42                          | 300           | -                        | 1.9                      | -                | -                 | -                | -                 |                                      |
| Information 200 (2010 201                            | 300           | -                        | 2.4                      | -                | -                 | -                | -                 | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| Infrared $2008^{200}/2010^{201}$                     | 298           | -                        | -                        | -                | 2.5               | -                | 2.5               | H <sub>2</sub> O                     |
| Infrared 2008 $\frac{200}{2010}$ $\frac{2010}{2010}$ | 298           | -                        | -                        | -                | 3.0               | -                | -                 | $D_2O$                               |
| NMR 2001 (for various T) $^{32}$                     | 300           | -                        | -                        | -                | 2.4               | -                | -                 | $D_2O$                               |
| NMR 1985 <sup>45</sup> /1987 <sup>46</sup>           | 298           | -                        | -                        | -                | 1.9-2.0           | -                | -                 | $H_2O$                               |
| NMR 1982 50  | 298           | -                        | -                        | -                | 1.7               | -                | -                 | $H_2O$                               |
| NMR 1966 <sup>198</sup>                              | 298           | -                        | -                        | -                | 2.6               | -                | -                 | $H_2O$                               |
| NMR 1976 <sup>43</sup>                               | 303           | -                        | -                        | -                | -                 | -                | 2.1               | $H_2O$                               |
| NMR 1976 <sup>43</sup>                               | 303           | -                        | -                        | -                | -                 | -                | 2.5               | $D_2O$                               |

 $^{a}\tau_{1,2}$  were calculated from fitting the auto-correlation functions  $C_{1,2}(t)$  with the exponential form  $A \exp[-(t/\tau_{1,2})^{\alpha}]$ .

<sup>*b*</sup>The tail of the auto-correlation function was fitted with  $\exp(-t/\tau_{1,2})$  and integrated from zero to  $\infty$  to give  $\tau_{1,2}$ .

Others were obtained with the fit  $A \exp(-t/\tau_{1,2})$  in the exponential regime after the initial subpicosecond librational decay.