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We performed the density functional theory (DFT) calculations of several manganese model complexes in order to investigate the effective exchange interaction of di- μ -oxo bridged manganese(IV) dimers. We calculated the effective exchange integrals (J_{ab}) of the model molecules and discussed geometry and ligand effects on them.

Keywords: di- μ -oxo bridged manganese dimer; hybrid density functional theory; effective exchange integral; superexchange interaction

INTRODUCTION

The O_2 -evolving complex (OEC) in photosystem II consists of a tetranuclear manganese cluster. Extended x-ray absorption fine structure studies suggest that the manganese tetramer is made up of di- μ -oxo dimeric manganese units. In an attempt to reproduce the function of the OEC, many di- μ -oxo manganese dimer have been synthesized^[1-6]. Recently, J. Limburg et al. synthesized a functional di- μ -oxo manganese dimer model for the OEC^[7], which exhibits the O_2 -evolving ability. So, it is important to reveal the nature of the property of these complexes.

Ab initio broken-symmetry calculations of effective exchange interaction (J_{ab}) are current topics in the field of molecular magnetism^[8-10].

Previously, we have derived a computational scheme of J_{ab} values on the basis of the broken-symmetry Hartree-Fock and density functional approximations, followed by the approximate spin projection (AP) procedure^[11]. The effective exchange interaction between localized spins of a -th and b -th sites with total spin operators \mathbf{S}_a and \mathbf{S}_b is described by the spin coupling Hamiltonian^[12].

$$H(\text{HB}) = -2J_{ab}\mathbf{S}_a \cdot \mathbf{S}_b, \quad (1)$$

where J_{ab} is the orbital-averaged effective exchange integral. Our computational scheme of this value is

$$J_{ab} = \frac{{}^{\text{HS}}E - {}^{\text{LS}}E}{{}^{\text{HS}}\langle s^2 \rangle - {}^{\text{LS}}\langle s^2 \rangle}, \quad (2)$$

where ${}^X E$ and ${}^X \langle s^2 \rangle$ denote calculated total energy and total spin angular momentum for the spin state X , respectively. In this paper, we performed the hybrid DFT calculations of di- μ -oxo manganese (IV) dimers with several ligands, H^- , F^- , Cl^- , H_2O , NH_3 , and pic^- (picH = picolinic acid). The J_{ab} values of these models are evaluated and compared with the experimental value. By calculating the J_{ab} values of these models varying the geometry parameters of $[\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_2]$ core, we discussed the geometry effects and ligand effects on J_{ab} value.

COMPUTATIONAL DETAILS

The model complex **(I)** and the full model complex **(II)** of $\text{Mn(IV)}_2\text{O}_2(\text{pic})_4$ complex are shown in Figure 1. The model complexes $[\text{Mn(IV)}_2\text{O}_2\text{X}_4]$ ($\text{X}=\text{F}$ (**III**), Cl (**IV**), and H (**V**)) are geometrically optimized with D_{2h} symmetry. $[\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_8]^{4+}$ model **(VI)** and $[\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_2(\text{NH}_3)_8]^{4+}$ model **(VIIa)** are optimized with D_2 and C_i symmetry, respectively. In order to investigate the dependency of J_{ab} on the $[\text{Mn}_2\text{O}_2]$ core geometry, the J_{ab} values of **VI** and **VIIa** are calculated by varying the geometry parameters, $R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ and $R_{\text{O-O}}$, and fixing the other parameters. The J_{ab}

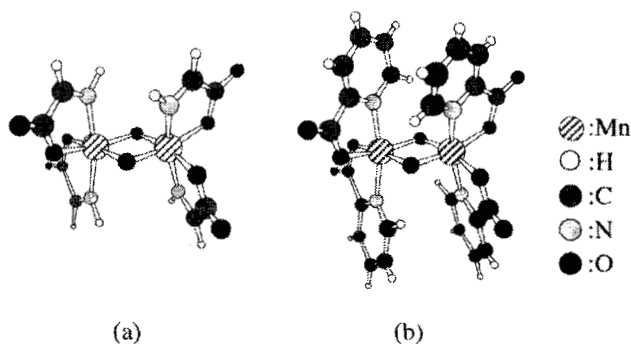


FIGURE 1 Models of $[\text{Mn(IV)}_2\text{O}_2(\text{pic})_4]^0$. (a) model I. (b) model II.

values of **VI** and **VIIa** are calculated at 16 different geometries, and two-dimensional surface of two variables, $R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ and $R_{\text{O-O}}$, is fitted by least squares as a polynomial of degree 8.

All calculations are performed using the hybrid functionals Becke3-Lee/Yang/Parr91 (UB3LYP) with GAUSSIAN94^[13]. Manganese atoms are modeled with a Tatewaki-Huzinaga valence double- ζ GTO basis set^[14], while 6-31G basis set is used to describe the others. J_{ab} values computed through Equation 2.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Table 1 summarizes the calculated J_{ab} values and the distances, $R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ and $R_{\text{O-O}}$, of model complexes. Table 2 shows the experimental data of several di- μ -oxo manganese complexes^[1-6]. All of the calculated J_{ab} values are negative in consistent with the experimental trend. The optimized distance $R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ is slightly larger than the experimental data, while $R_{\text{O-O}}$ is comparable with the experiment. The J_{ab} value of pic' model II is reasonable in comparison with the experimental value, but slightly larger in accord with the general tendency^[15]. Since the difference between models I and II is small, the effect of simplification of the ligands is not so significant. The magnitude of the J_{ab} values increases with ligands in the order, $\text{H}_2\text{O} < \text{pic}' < \text{NH}_3$, in proportion to the number

TABLE 1 Calculated data of di- μ -oxo manganese dimers.

Complex	$R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ (Å)	$R_{\text{O-O}}$ (Å)	J_{ab} (cm ⁻¹)
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (pic) ₄] ⁰ (I)	2.75 ^[2]	2.39 ^[2]	-124.4
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (pic) ₄] ⁰ (II)	2.75 ^[2]	2.39 ^[2]	-118.4
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ F ₈] ⁺ (III)	2.89	2.37	-36.1
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ Cl ₈] ⁺ (IV)	2.92	2.26	-38.6
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ H ₈] ⁺ (V)	2.85	2.46	-82.3
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (H ₂ O) ₈] ⁺ (VI)	2.85	2.27	-99.0
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (NH ₃) ₈] ⁺ (VIIa)	2.89	2.29	-149.3

* optimized on the specified symmetry restraint.

TABLE 2 Experimental data of di- μ -oxo manganese dimers.

Complex	$R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ (Å)	$R_{\text{O-O}}$ (Å)	J_{ab} (cm ⁻¹)	Ref.
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (salpn) ₂] ⁰	2.73	2.41	-94	[1]
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (pic) ₄] ⁰	2.75	2.39	-86.5	[2]
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (bispicen) ₂] ⁺	2.67	2.44	-125.6	[3]
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (L ₃) ₂] ⁺	2.75	2.25	-131	[4]
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (tmpa) ₂] ⁺			-137	[5]
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (phen) ₄] ⁺	2.75	2.32	-144	[6]

of coordinating nitrogen atoms. This tendency is in accord with the experiments (Table 2).

Figure 2 shows the surfaces of the J_{ab} values of **VI** and **VIIa** with two variables, $R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ and $R_{\text{O-O}}$. It is found that J_{ab} values of both models increase in proportion to the both distances $R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$ and $R_{\text{O-O}}$. The dependency of J_{ab} value on $R_{\text{O-O}}$ is larger than that on $R_{\text{Mn-Mn}}$, and the change of J_{ab} value in **VIIa** is larger than that in **VI**.

J. E. McGrady and R. Stranger discussed the dependency of redox-induced changes in the exchange interaction on changes in the geometry of [Mn₂O₂] core^[8]. They performed the approximate density functional calculations of the J_{ab} values of [Mn(III)₂O₂(NH₃)₈]⁺ (**VIIb**; J_{ab} = -172 cm⁻¹) and [Mn(IV)₂O₂(NH₃)₈]²⁺ (**VIIc**; J_{ab} = -274 cm⁻¹) model complexes with D_{2h} symmetry, and concluded that the change of J_{ab} values between the two oxidation states predominantly depends on the geometry of [Mn₂O₂] core. In order to confirm this tendency, we estimate the J_{ab} values of

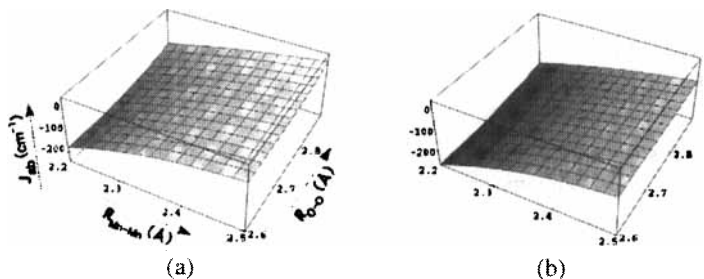


FIGURE 2 The fitted surfaces of (a)[Mn(IV)₂O₂(H₂O)₈]⁴⁺ model and (b)[Mn(IV)₂O₂(NH₃)₈]⁴⁺ model with the variables, *R*_{Mn-Mn} and *R*_{O-O}

TABLE 3 Evaluated *J*_{ab} values by using the fitted surface

Geometry	<i>R</i> _{Mn-Mn} (Å)	<i>R</i> _{O-O} (Å)	<i>J</i> _{ab} (cm ⁻¹)
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (bispicen) ₂] ⁴⁺	2.67 ^[3]	2.44 ^[3]	-86.6
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (L3) ₂] ⁴⁺	2.75 ^[4]	2.25 ^[4]	-201
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (phen) ₄] ⁴⁺	2.75 ^[6]	2.32 ^[6]	-146
[Mn(III) ₂ O ₂ (NH ₃) ₈] ²⁺ (VIIb)	2.72 ^[a]	2.48 ^[a]	-73.6
[Mn(IV) ₂ O ₂ (NH ₃) ₈] ⁴⁺ (VIIc)	2.87 ^[a]	2.32 ^[a]	-140

VIIb and **VIIc** by using the our fitted surface in Figure 2(b). We also evaluate *J*_{ab} values for the several real complexes in Table 2. Table 3 summarizes these estimated *J*_{ab} values. The tendency of the *J*_{ab} values on the optimized geometry of **VIIb** and **VIIc** is almost in accord with the calculation in Reference 8, but the evaluated *J*_{ab} values from the real complexes are not in accord with the experimental data shown in Table 2. This implies that *J*_{ab} value does not only depend on the geometry of [Mn₂O₂] core, but also on the ligand effects, such as aromaticity and orientation of coordinating ligands.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

The calculated *J*_{ab} value of pic⁻ model **II** reproduces the experimental

value, but slightly overestimates in accord with general tendency⁽¹³⁾. The results of the calculation for the models with variable geometry of [Mn₂O₂] core show that the ligand effect on J_{ab} value is not negligible.

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