

Supplementary Information

Non-monotonic Structure-Property Relationships in Small Iron-Doped Boron Clusters: A DFT Study of B_nFe (n = 3-6)

Supporting computational details, frequency verification, Cartesian coordinates, and supplementary numerical summaries.

S1. Frequency verification

Cluster	Imag.	Low positive modes (<200 cm ⁻¹)	Count
B3Fe	0	59.23, 152.35	2
B4Fe	0		0
B5Fe	0	64.59, 86.44, 137.50, 155.96	4
B6Fe	0	89.65, 103.48, 154.14	3

All final reoptimized structures show zero imaginary frequencies.

S2. Coordinate summary

System	Charge	Mult.	Final energy (Eh)	Fe-B min (Å)	Fe-B max (Å)	H-H (Å)
B3Fe	0	2	-1337.529452	1.7087	1.7087	
B4Fe	0	1	-1362.264929	1.7581	1.7586	
B5Fe	0	4	-1387.224382	1.8354	2.3413	
B6Fe	0	3	-1411.760999	1.7758	1.8628	
B3Fe-H2	0	2	-1339.038990	1.9477	2.0947	2.0576
B4Fe-H2	0	1	-1363.737832	1.8891	3.5450	0.8801
B5Fe-H2	0	4	-1388.597470	1.9700	4.7282	0.7966
B6Fe-H2	0	3	-1413.355874	1.9784	3.7263	0.7981

S3. Cartesian coordinates of minima

B3Fe (charge = 0, multiplicity = 2, energy = -1337.529452 Eh)

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4
B3Fe
Fe  0.00000000  0.00000000  0.00010432
B   -1.47999559  0.00000000  0.85414670
B    1.47999559  0.00000000  0.85414670
B    0.00000000  0.00000000 -1.70864545
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B4Fe (charge = 0, multiplicity = 1, energy = -1362.264929 Eh)

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5
B4Fe
Fe  0.00017067  0.00028139  0.00013499
B   -0.02685925 -1.32631320  1.15361041
B   -0.43764218 -0.60174182 -1.59259256
B    1.61517601  0.69382006 -0.05829747
B   -1.15156205  1.23277172  0.49657768
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B5Fe (charge = 0, multiplicity = 4, energy = -1387.224382 Eh)

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6
B5Fe
Fe  0.00000040  0.00000017 -1.10613980
B   -0.00000027 -0.00000016 -2.94149659
B    1.27334262  0.00000000  0.75667962
B   -0.00000006 -0.85321318  1.07417495
B   -0.00000005  0.85321316  1.07417515
B   -1.27334264  0.00000001  0.75667936
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B6Fe (charge = 0, multiplicity = 3, energy = -1411.760999 Eh)

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7
B6Fe
Fe  0.33784100  1.05241800 -0.74545568
B    2.19991388  1.05241800 -0.79732498
B    0.33784100  1.05241800  1.05260540
B   -1.52423189  1.05241800 -0.79732498
B    0.33784100  2.91449089 -0.79732499
B    0.33784100  1.05241800 -2.52127677
B    0.33784100 -0.80965488 -0.79732500
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S4. Cartesian coordinates of H2-interaction structures

B3Fe-H2 (charge = 0, multiplicity = 2, energy = -1339.038990 Eh)

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6
B3Fe-H2
Fe -0.94967093 -0.87789996 0.29715803
B -0.34778641 -0.08669134 1.97202899
B 0.31231614 0.64368293 0.73748301
B 0.41874010 0.24215622 -0.82571871
H -0.72936873 -0.04923524 -1.33845714
H 1.29815736 0.12798739 -1.64105969
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B4Fe-H2 (charge = 0, multiplicity = 1, energy = -1363.737832 Eh)

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7
B4Fe-H2
Fe 0.09695043 0.53468275 2.12976029
B 0.76973790 -0.21146154 0.34923619
B -0.56237351 -0.10281870 -0.95853116
B 0.85651589 -0.62786081 -1.13196969
B -0.82826098 0.38305346 0.48976016
H -0.63751187 1.18389898 3.47039380
H -1.19772979 1.19289079 2.79163726
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B5Fe-H2 (charge = 0, multiplicity = 4, energy = -1388.597470 Eh)

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8
B5Fe-H2
Fe 1.15729134 -0.01988965 -1.62662246
B -0.67839073 -0.03394957 -0.91185473
B -1.66848380 0.02536369 2.16403294
B -0.11896875 0.04822148 1.86306959
B 0.43045867 0.02412636 0.39172861
B -1.29597861 -0.00759098 0.57203754
H 2.72196394 -0.41069048 -2.48718588
H 2.65210873 0.37440915 -2.60234193
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B6Fe-H2 (charge = 0, multiplicity = 3, energy = -1413.355874 Eh)

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9
B6Fe-H2
Fe -1.16845048 1.62999546 -1.15312797
B 1.91180452 0.74485330 -0.12244880
B 1.87202705 1.80146166 0.99430545
B -1.75831753 0.53554282 -2.69211388
B 0.54738510 1.71011026 0.06181181
B -0.32884094 0.04842701 -2.31606083
B 0.68626672 0.53339899 -1.14414603
H -1.91034926 3.03053694 -0.17986073
H -2.45270769 2.88545839 -0.74717224
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