

On the multiple B-O bonding using the topological analysis of electron localisation function (ELF).

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Topological analysis of the Electron Localisation Function (ELF) within the framework of Quantum Chemical Topology (QCT) has been applied to study the nature of the boron–oxygen bonds. A series of 16 compounds has been chosen, with the experimental BO bond length in the range of 1.481 Å (BO)–1.179 Å (BO). Topological results obtained for the DFT(M062X), DFT(B3LYP), MP2 and CCSD(T) optimised geometrical structures show that all the boron–oxygen bonds in the investigated compounds are described by the disynaptic bonding basin, $V(B,O)$. All these bonds have a covalent-polarised character. The mean electron population of $V(B,O)$ varies from 1.6e ($B(OH)_4^-$) to about 3.5e (HNCHCHCHNHBO). The polarity index values, p_{BO} , lie between 0.77 (CIBO) and 0.89 (H_2BOCH_3), thus all boron–oxygen bonds are essentially polarised by the oxygen atom. According to the Lewis formula, four types of the bonds have been recognised. These are: a single bond with a mixture of the ionic hybrid (BO, B^+O^-), a single bond (BO), a single bond with a small contribution of the dative $O \rightarrow B$ bond (BO) and a single bond with a large contribution of the dative $O \rightarrow B$ bond (depleted BO bonds). There is a clear distinction between a group of 11 molecules chosen for this study, with the basin population value of the boron–oxygen bond between 1.6e and 2.4e, and the HBO, FBO, CIBO, HNCHCHCHNHBO and trans-[(Me3P)2BrPt(BO)] molecules that exhibit the basin population in the range: 3.3e–3.5e. The second group was postulated to have a triple bond, BO, but this statement has not been confirmed by our research.

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