

**Quantum chemical modeling of the solid-state B<sub>4</sub>X structures containing tetrahedral B<sub>4</sub> units with X = B, C, Al, Si**

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**Table S1** Cartesian coordinates (in Å) of atoms of primitive unit cell and its basis vectors for crystal structure *cF*-B<sub>5</sub>.

| Atom or vector | <i>x</i> | <i>y</i> | <i>z</i> |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| B              | 0.00000  | 0.00000  | 0.00000  |
| B              | 0.95729  | 0.95729  | 0.95729  |
| B              | 0.95729  | 2.17028  | 2.17028  |
| B              | 2.17028  | 0.95729  | 2.17028  |
| B              | 2.17028  | 2.17028  | 0.95729  |
| $\vec{a}_1$    | 0.00000  | 3.12757  | 3.12757  |
| $\vec{a}_2$    | 3.12757  | 0.00000  | 3.12757  |
| $\vec{a}_3$    | 3.12757  | 3.12757  | 0.00000  |

**Table S2** Cartesian coordinates (in Å) of atoms of primitive unit cell and its basis vectors for crystal structure *cF*-B<sub>4</sub>C.

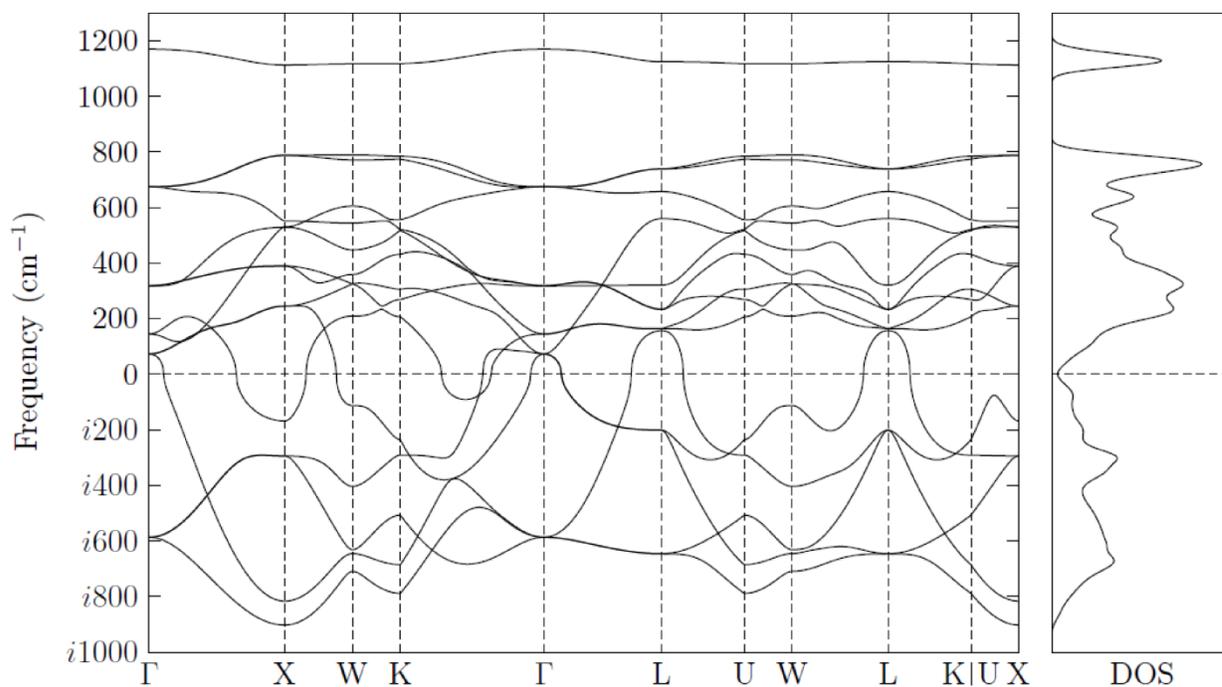
| Atom or vector | <i>x</i> | <i>y</i> | <i>z</i> |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| C              | 0.00000  | 0.00000  | 0.00000  |
| B              | 0.90300  | 0.90300  | 0.90300  |
| B              | 0.90300  | 2.09860  | 2.09860  |
| B              | 2.09860  | 0.90300  | 2.09860  |
| B              | 2.09860  | 2.09860  | 0.90300  |
| $\vec{a}_1$    | 0.00000  | 3.00160  | 3.00160  |
| $\vec{a}_2$    | 3.00160  | 0.00000  | 3.00160  |
| $\vec{a}_3$    | 3.00160  | 3.00160  | 0.00000  |

**Table S3** Cartesian coordinates (in Å) of atoms of primitive unit cell and its basis vectors for crystal structure  $cF$ -B<sub>4</sub>Al.

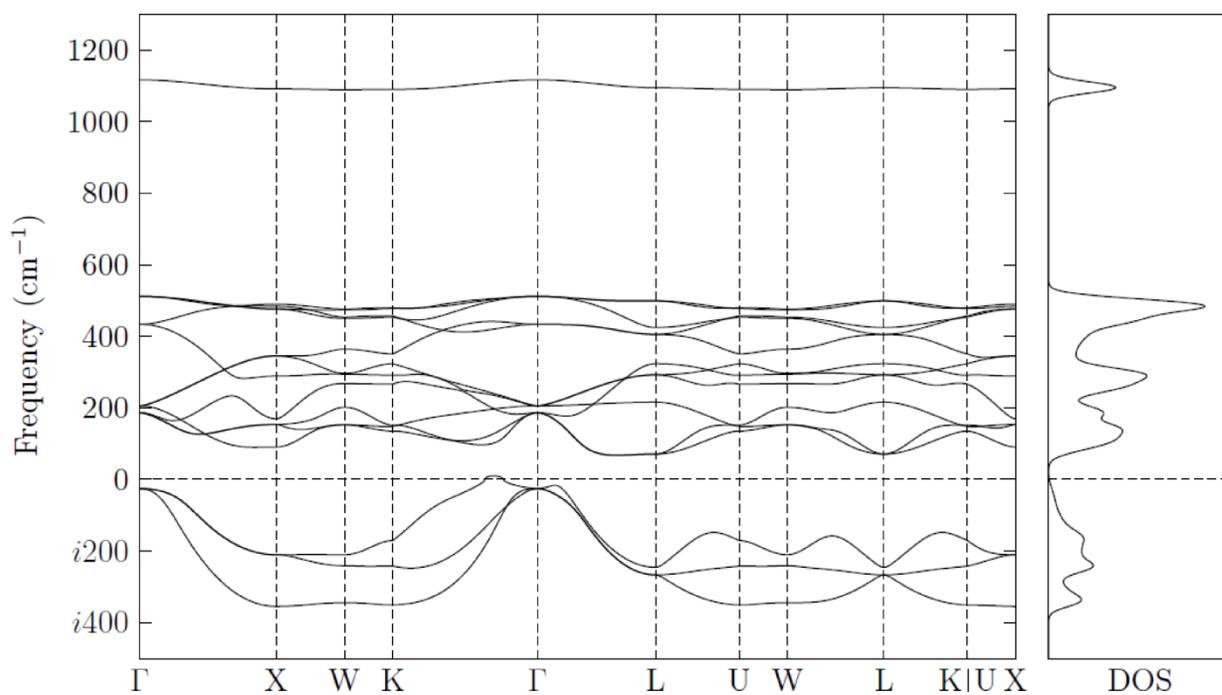
| Atom or vector | $x$     | $y$     | $z$     |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Al             | 0.00000 | 0.00000 | 0.00000 |
| B              | 1.22872 | 1.22872 | 1.22872 |
| B              | 1.22872 | 2.43167 | 2.43167 |
| B              | 2.43167 | 1.22872 | 2.43167 |
| B              | 2.43167 | 2.43167 | 1.22872 |
| $\vec{a}_1$    | 0.00000 | 3.66039 | 3.66039 |
| $\vec{a}_2$    | 3.66039 | 0.00000 | 3.66039 |
| $\vec{a}_3$    | 3.66039 | 3.66039 | 0.00000 |

**Table S4** Cartesian coordinates (in Å) of atoms of primitive unit cell and its basis vectors for crystal structure  $cF$ -B<sub>4</sub>Si.

| Atom or vector | $x$     | $y$     | $z$     |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Si             | 0.00000 | 0.00000 | 0.00000 |
| B              | 1.15169 | 1.15169 | 1.15169 |
| B              | 1.15169 | 2.34570 | 2.34570 |
| B              | 2.34570 | 1.15169 | 2.34570 |
| B              | 2.34570 | 2.34570 | 1.15169 |
| $\vec{a}_1$    | 0.00000 | 3.49739 | 3.49739 |
| $\vec{a}_2$    | 3.49739 | 0.00000 | 3.49739 |
| $\vec{a}_3$    | 3.49739 | 3.49739 | 0.00000 |



**Figure S1** Calculated phonon dispersion curves along high-symmetry lines in the first Brillouin zone (left panel) and phonon density of states (right panel) for  $cF-B_5$ .



**Figure S2** Calculated phonon dispersion curves along high-symmetry lines in the first Brillouin zone (left panel) and phonon density of states (right panel) for  $cF-B_4Al$ .