

Supporting Information

Short-Range Charge Transfer in DNA Base Triplet: Real-Time Tracking of Coherent Fluctuation Electron

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Table S1 Select different radius values corresponding to the energy.

Radius (Å)	Energy (eV)
2.5	-6806.06873
3.0	-6808.0318
3.5	-6808.35663
4.0	-6808.41495
4.5	-6808.42451

Table S2 Select different spacing values corresponding to the energy.

Spacing (Å)	Energy (eV)
0.11	-6778.86763
0.12	-6779.09314
0.13	-6779.34191
0.14	-6779.23691
0.15	-6779.53078
0.16	-6779.63818

Table S3 The maximum absorption peak of TAT was calculated by different functionals and basis sets (Exp=260 nm^[1-2]). Upper half: We change the functional, keeping the basis set TZVP. Lower half: We change the basis set keeping the functional B3LYP.

Functional	Absorption peak (nm)
B3LYP	254
CAM-B3LYP	235
PBEPBE	381
mPW1PW191	246
ω B97XD	234
Basis set	Absorption peak (nm)
TZVP	254
6-31G (d,p)	248
cc-pVTZ	253

Table S4 Specific proportion of charge transfer at different time.

Charge transfer	
0 fs	14.994 %
3 fs	3.169 %
9 fs	25.102 %
22 fs	10.796 %
40 fs	4.168 %
50 fs	59.817 %
70 fs	3.513 %
90 fs	27.363 %
100 fs	5.315 %

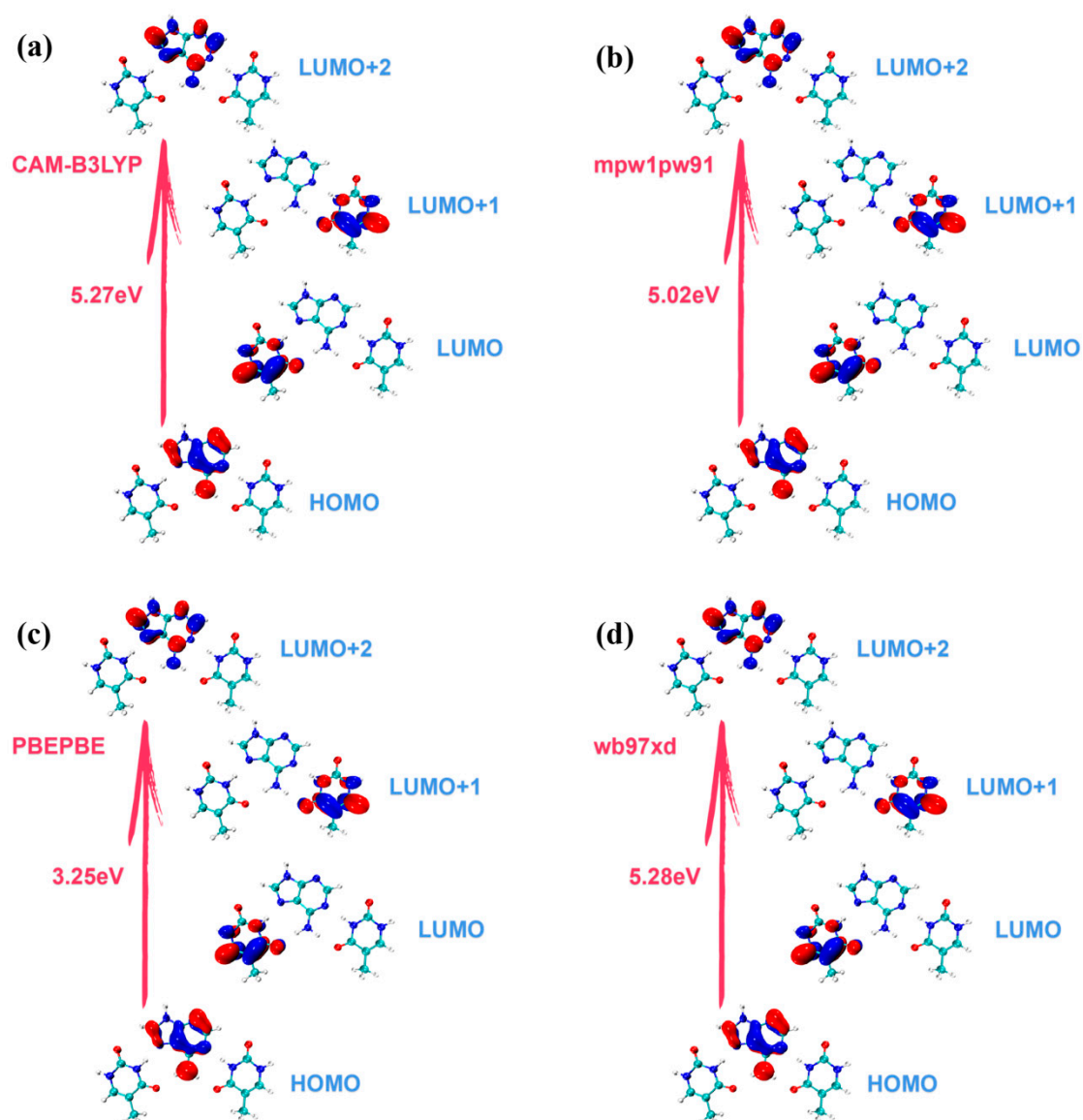


Figure S1. The relative molecular orbitals and energy under different functionals.

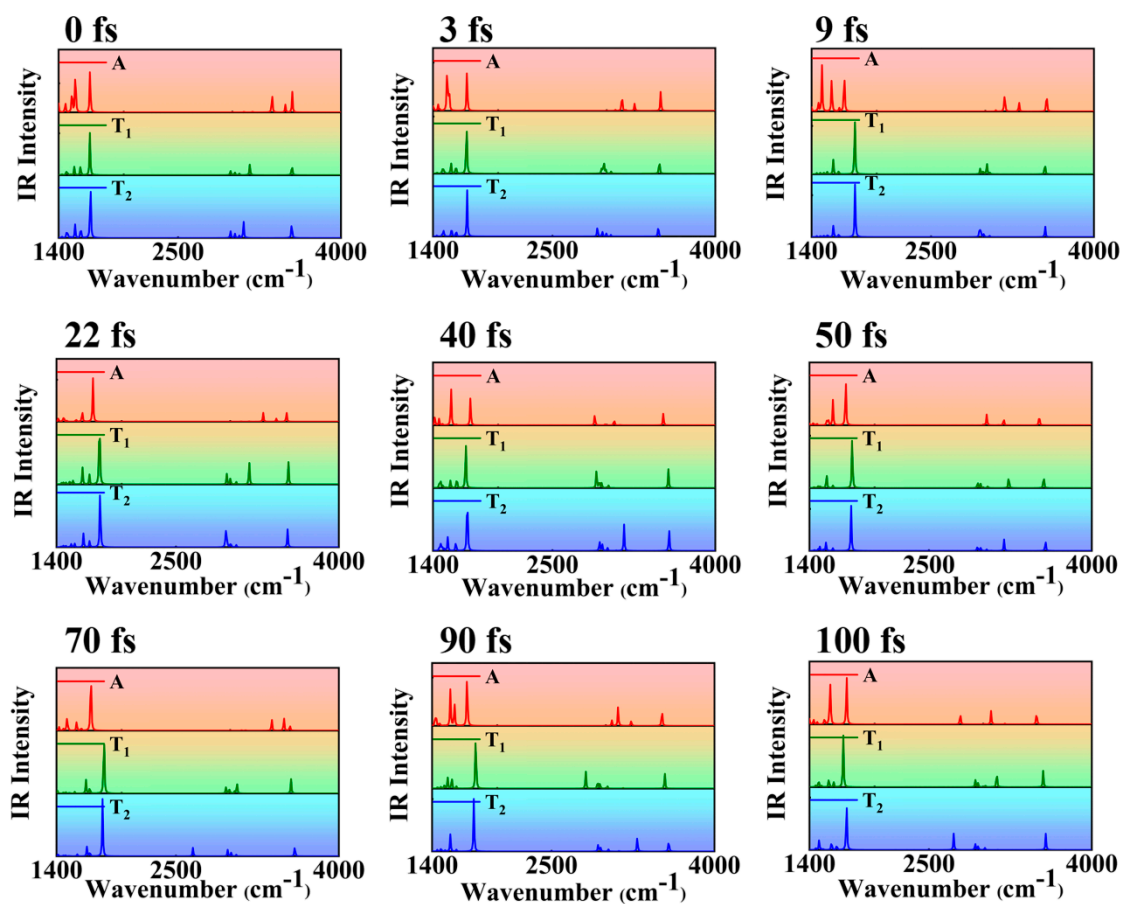


Figure S2. Evolution of infrared vibrational spectra of charge donor (A) and acceptor (T₁ and T₂) over time.

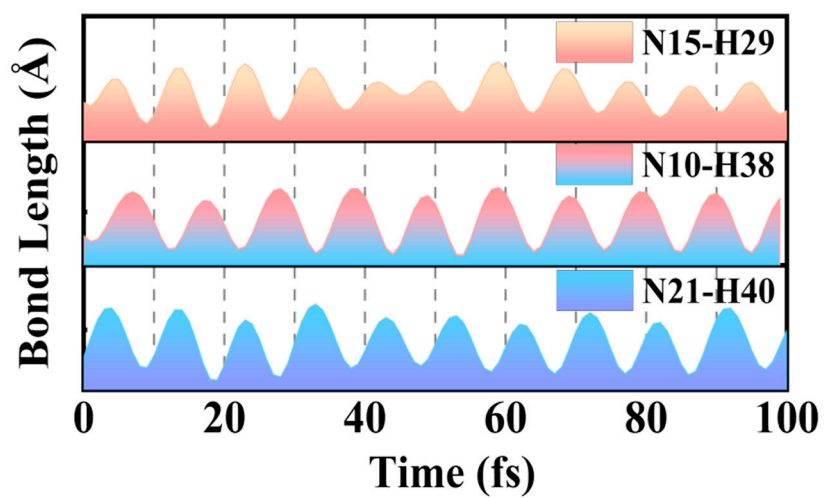


Figure S3. The time-dependent dynamics of N-H bonds near the hydrogen bond grid is obtained with the Gaussian 09 package at the B3LYP (TZVP) level.

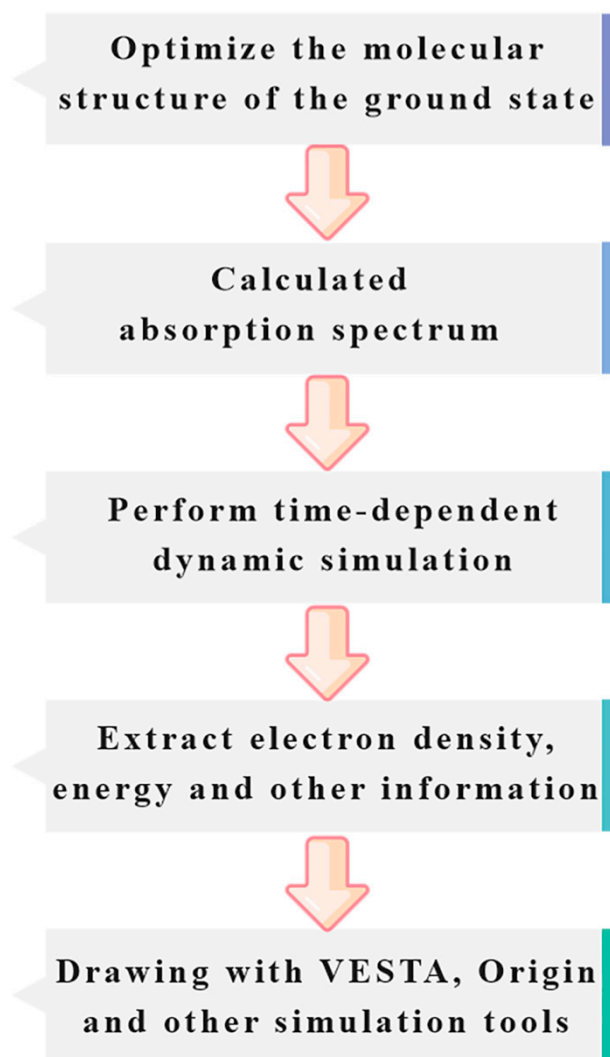


Figure S4. The calculation flow chart.

The optimized coordinates of TAT

C	-5.89783700	-2.17518100	-0.00087200
C	-4.62064200	-2.60547400	-0.00007800
C	-3.56198400	-1.59388000	0.00072600
N	-3.99034100	-0.27162900	0.00071700
C	-5.28873000	0.18239900	-0.00018800
N	-6.22855500	-0.83930400	-0.00095800
O	-5.60168200	1.35944300	-0.00029800
O	-2.36417200	-1.85814600	0.00143500
C	-4.22633100	-4.05023300	-0.00000900
H	-3.25076900	0.46115900	0.00092300
H	-6.73832000	-2.85715800	-0.00151600
H	-7.19201600	-0.54339900	-0.00146800
H	-3.61773800	-4.28745800	-0.87522400
H	-5.10478000	-4.69683000	-0.00069100
H	-3.61891400	-4.28770600	0.87595500
C	-0.67008600	1.95401300	0.00024400
C	0.38675900	1.01135200	-0.00029400
N	1.64417100	1.51654100	-0.00074500
C	1.84010000	2.84300300	-0.00061900
N	0.92363300	3.80549900	-0.00011900
C	-0.31262900	3.29981700	0.00026100

N	-2.04767100	1.82439700	0.00059000
C	-2.51046100	3.04902100	0.00083800
N	-1.50827800	3.98420600	0.00063500
N	0.21154200	-0.31053100	-0.00039500
H	2.87931500	3.15446200	-0.00098300
H	-3.55885300	3.30560200	0.00101900
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H	1.02677100	-0.92062400	-0.00071700
H	-0.71406500	-0.72933000	0.00010300
C	6.25019200	-1.63287200	0.00061100
C	5.06795500	-2.27982200	0.00026300
C	3.84864200	-1.46926800	-0.00043500
N	4.03432400	-0.09197100	-0.00063900
C	5.23517500	0.58234500	-0.00027100
N	6.34035200	-0.26105000	0.00037400
O	5.34130300	1.79351000	-0.00047000
O	2.71696400	-1.94543300	-0.00083200
C	4.93270900	-3.77137800	0.00052400
H	3.17191300	0.49783500	-0.00090000
H	7.19715600	-2.15726900	0.00113200
H	7.23617500	0.20076900	0.00055400
H	4.37554400	-4.11183800	0.87598000

H	5.91113800	-4.25369600	0.00113200
H	4.37644100	-4.11223200	-0.87535100

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