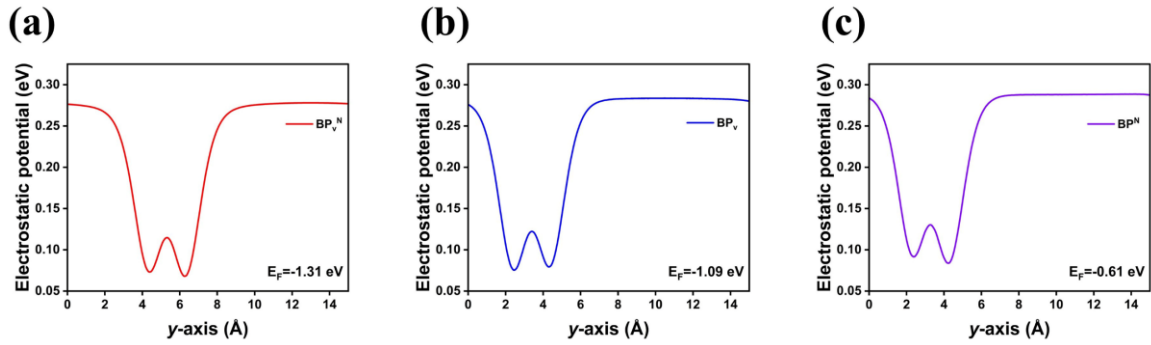


# Appendix

### A.1: Work function of $BP_v^N$ , $BP_v$ , and $BP^N$ monolayers

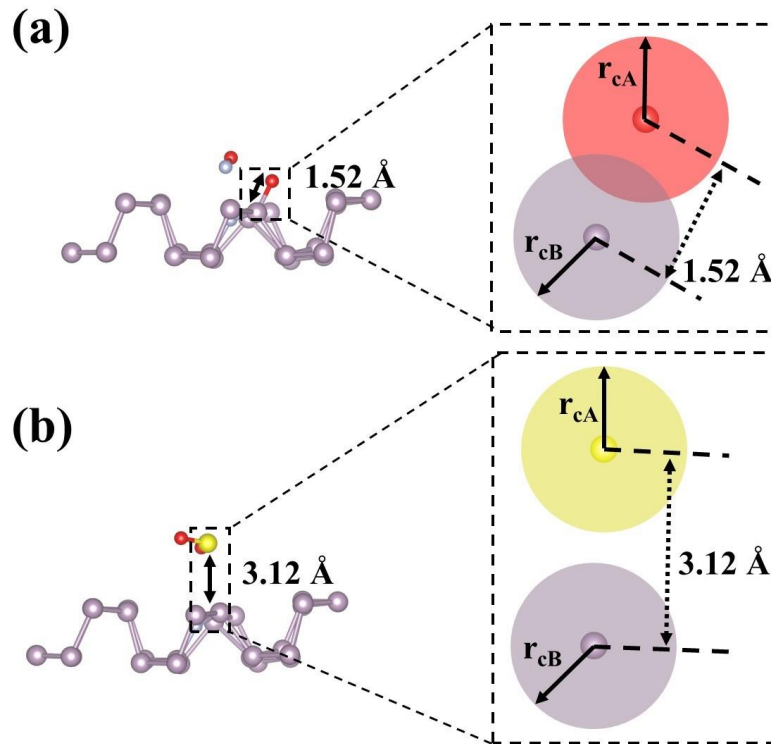
The work function is calculated using the formula:

$$\phi = E_{vac} - E_F \quad \dots(A.1)$$



**Figure A.1:** Electrostatic potential of (a)  $BP_v^N$ , (b)  $BP_v$ , and (c)  $BP^N$  monolayer, respectively.

### A.2: Schematic illustration of chemisorption and physisorption



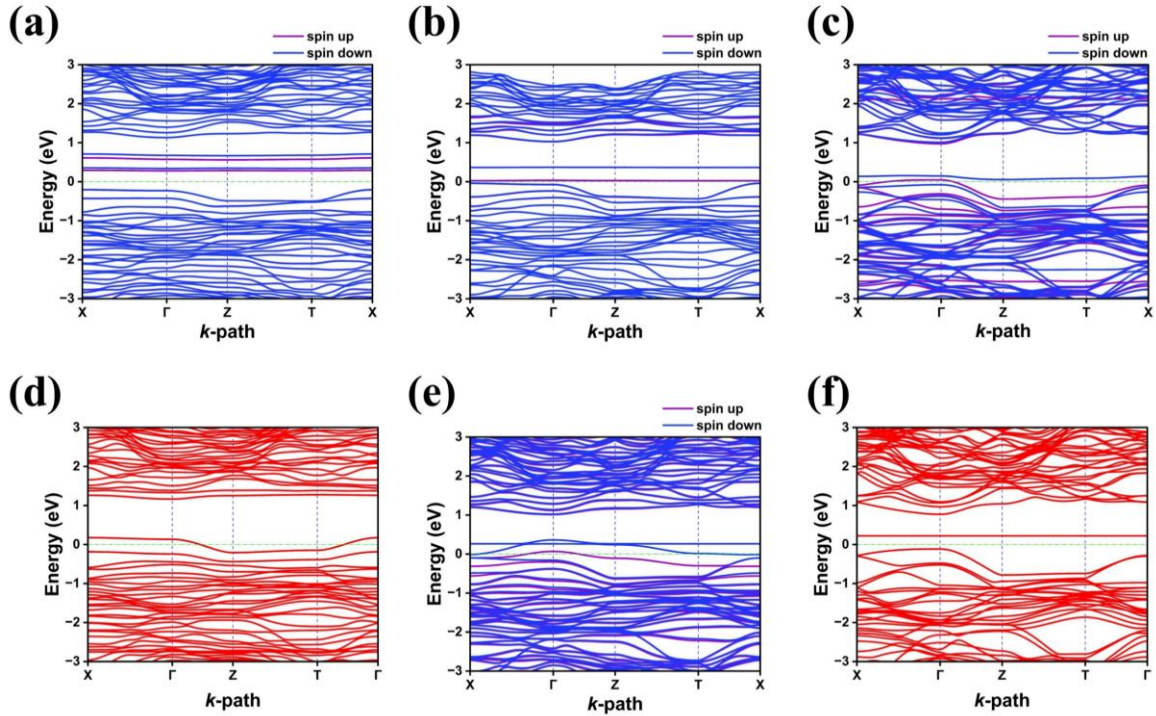
**Figure A.2:** Schematic illustration of (a) chemisorption and (b) physisorption on  $BP_v^N$  surface.

### A.3: Surface adsorption of gas molecules with different orientations

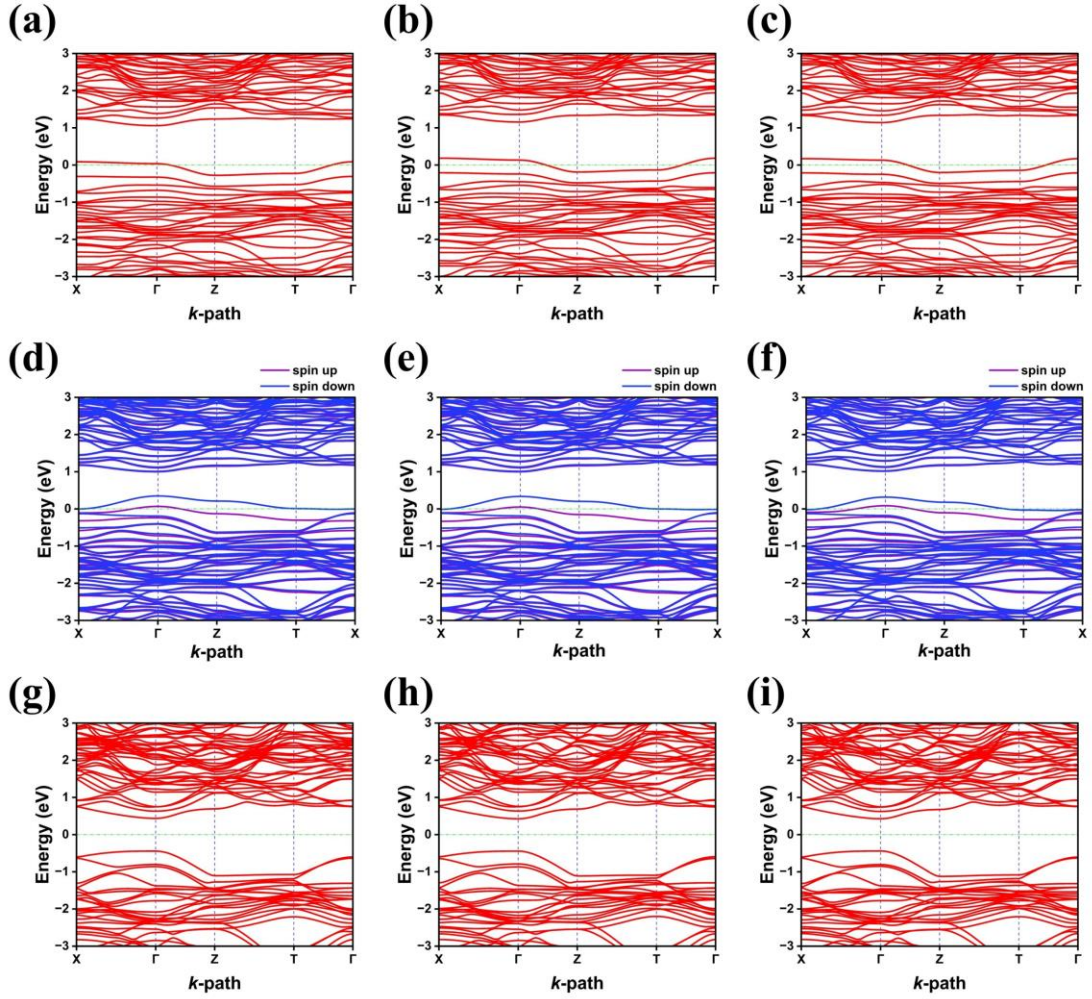
**Table A.3:** Initial positions of molecules before atomic relaxation on  $\text{BP}_V^N$  monolayer and their respective adsorption energy after atomic relaxation.

Molecule	initial orientation (atom closest to the defect site)	$E_{\text{ad}}$ (eV)
$\text{NO}_2$	N	-4.43
	O	-5.74
$\text{SO}_2$	S	-0.13
	O	-0.08
$\text{CO}$	C	-0.02
	O	-0.01
$\text{CO}_2$	C	-0.01
	O	-0.05
$\text{NH}_3$	N	-0.02
	H	-0.03

### A.4: Electronic band structure after adsorption of $\text{NO}_2$ , and $\text{SO}_2$



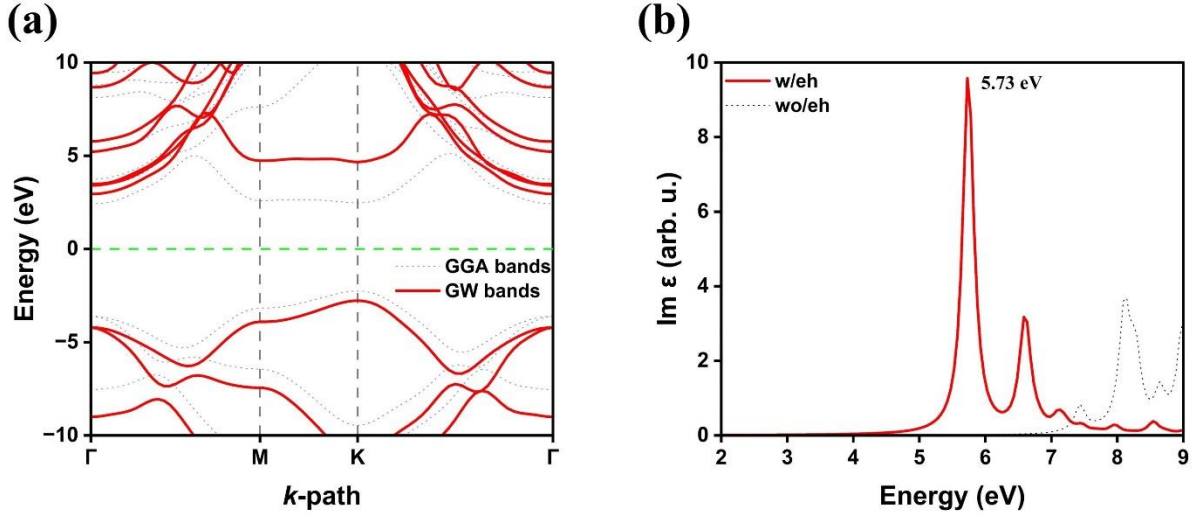
**Figure A.4:** Electronic band structure of  $\text{BP}_V^N$ ,  $\text{BP}_V$ , and  $\text{BP}^N$  sheet after adsorption of (a-c)  $\text{NO}_2$ , and (d-f)  $\text{SO}_2$  molecules, respectively.

A.5: Electronic band structure after adsorption of CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, and NH<sub>3</sub>

**Figure A.5:** Electronic band structure of (a-c)  $BP_v^N$ , (d-f)  $BP_v$ , and (g-i)  $BP^N$  monolayer after the adsorption of CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, and NH<sub>3</sub> molecule, respectively.

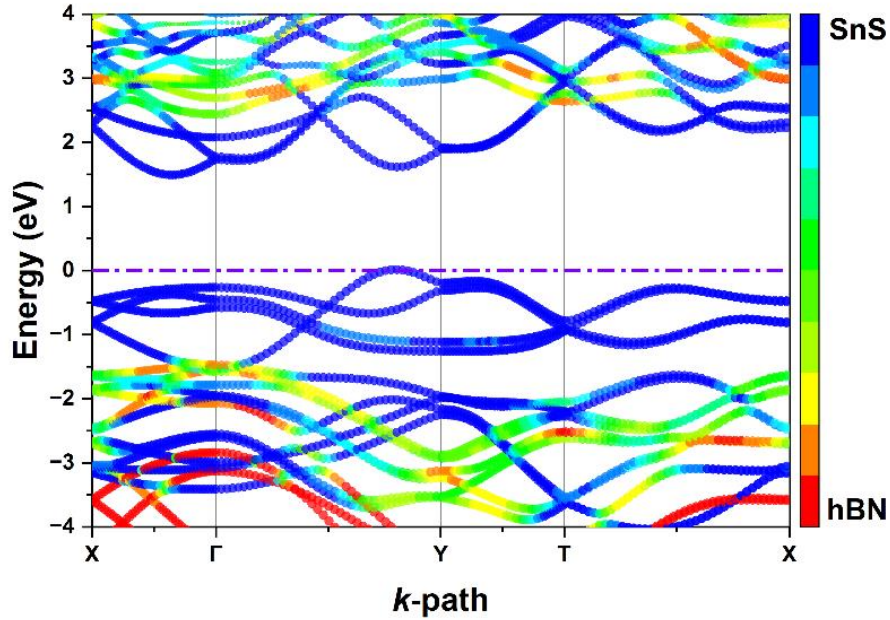
A.6: Inert electronic and optical properties of *h*-BN

Before stacking SnS with *h*-BN, we first investigate the electronic and optical properties of the *h*-BN monolayer. DFT calculations indicate that pristine *h*-BN exhibits a direct band gap of 4.61 eV at the K point, though this value is underestimated. In contrast, GW calculations reveal that *h*-BN is actually an indirect band gap material, along the direction from K (VBM) to  $\Gamma$  (CBM) point. The indirect band gap is found to be 5.71 eV, while the direct band gap at the K point is 7.43 eV. Regarding optical absorption, the first excitonic peak appears at 5.73 eV, with an exciton binding energy of 1.7 eV. Given its wide and inert electronic states, *h*-BN is unlikely to strongly couple with the electronic states of SnS near the Fermi level, thereby preserving the pristine optical transitions of SnS.



**Figure A.6:** (a) Electronic band structure and (b) optical absorption spectra of h-BN monolayer, respectively.

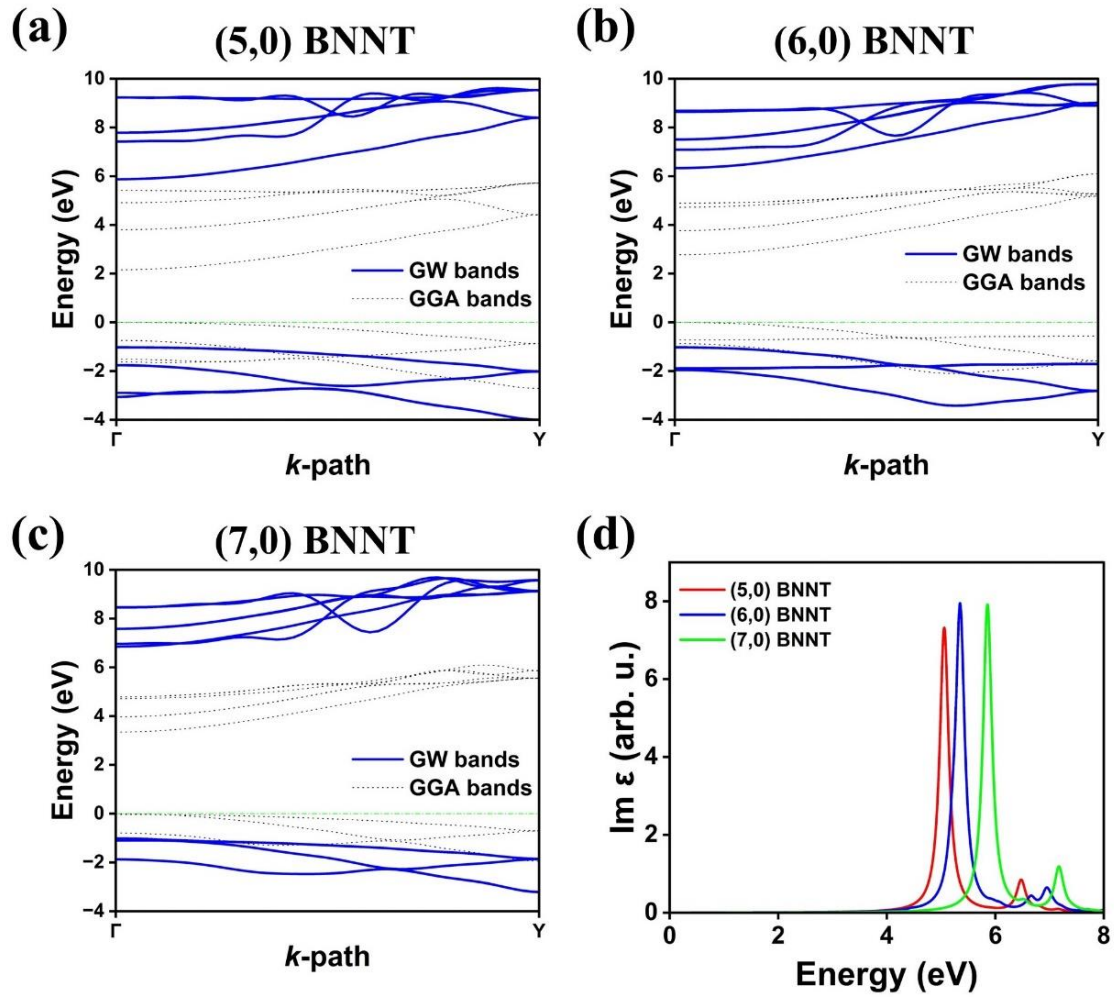
**A.7: Electronic band structure of SnS/h-BN heterostructure without imposing any strain on SnS surface.**



**Figure A.7:** Layer projected electronic band structure of SnS/h-BN heterostructure with no strain on SnS layer, plotted along the X-Γ-Y-T-X high symmetric path (blue and red colour indicates the contribution from the SnS and h-BN monolayers, respectively).



## A.8: Electronic and optical properties of (5,0), (6,0), and (7,0) BNNTs



**Figure A.8:** Band structure of (a) (5,0) (b) (6,0), and (c) (7,0) BNNTs; (d) optical absorption spectra of the BNNTs.

## List of Publications

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