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## Electronic and Optical Properties of Ru and Pt Doped TiO<sub>2</sub> Brookite Surfaces Using Density Functional Theory

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The electronic structures and optical properties of brookite TiO<sub>2</sub> (210) surfaces doped with transition metals (Ru and Pt) have been investigated by first-principles calculations based on the density functional theory employing generalized gradient approximation (GGA). The modelled surface structures were constructed from an optimized brookite bulk structure. TiO<sub>2</sub> surfaces were doped with transition metals, with one Ti atom replaced by a transition metal atom. The results indicate that both transition metals doping can narrow the band gap of TiO<sub>2</sub>, leading to the improvement in the photo reactivity of TiO<sub>2</sub>. The metal dopants shift the absorption to high wavelengths and improves optical absorbance in visible and near-IR region.

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