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**First-principles study of charged vacancies in PbTiO<sub>3</sub>**<sup>1</sup> YANPENG YAO, HUAXIANG FU, University of Arkansas — First-principles calculations within local density approximation (LDA) are performed to study the vacancy formation energies for charged vacancies in PbTiO<sub>3</sub>. Within the constraint of thermodynamic limit, the chemical potential and Fermi energy dependence of the vacancy formation energy, as well as the transition energy levels, are studied. We found that: (i) the Formation energy of  $V_O^{2+}$  is much lower than that of the neutral oxygen vacancy, irrespective of  $\mu_O$ ; (ii) Under oxygen rich condition, the main defect is  $V_{Pb}^{2-}$ ; (iii) When oxygen is deficient, either  $V_{Pb}^{2-}$  or  $V_O^{2+}$  can form, depending on the Fermi energy level; (iv) At certain condition, both  $V_{Pb}^{2-}$  and  $V_O^{2+}$  have similar formation energy, and can coexist.

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