**METHOD CALIBRATION OR DATA FITTING?**

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**Abstract:**

Method calibration, for example searching for combinations of DFT methods and basis sets that reproduce experimental results with a low error, has become a popular topic. With examples from calculated nuclear magnetic shielding constants and relative energies, we ask the question whether this really is method calibration or just parameter fitting.