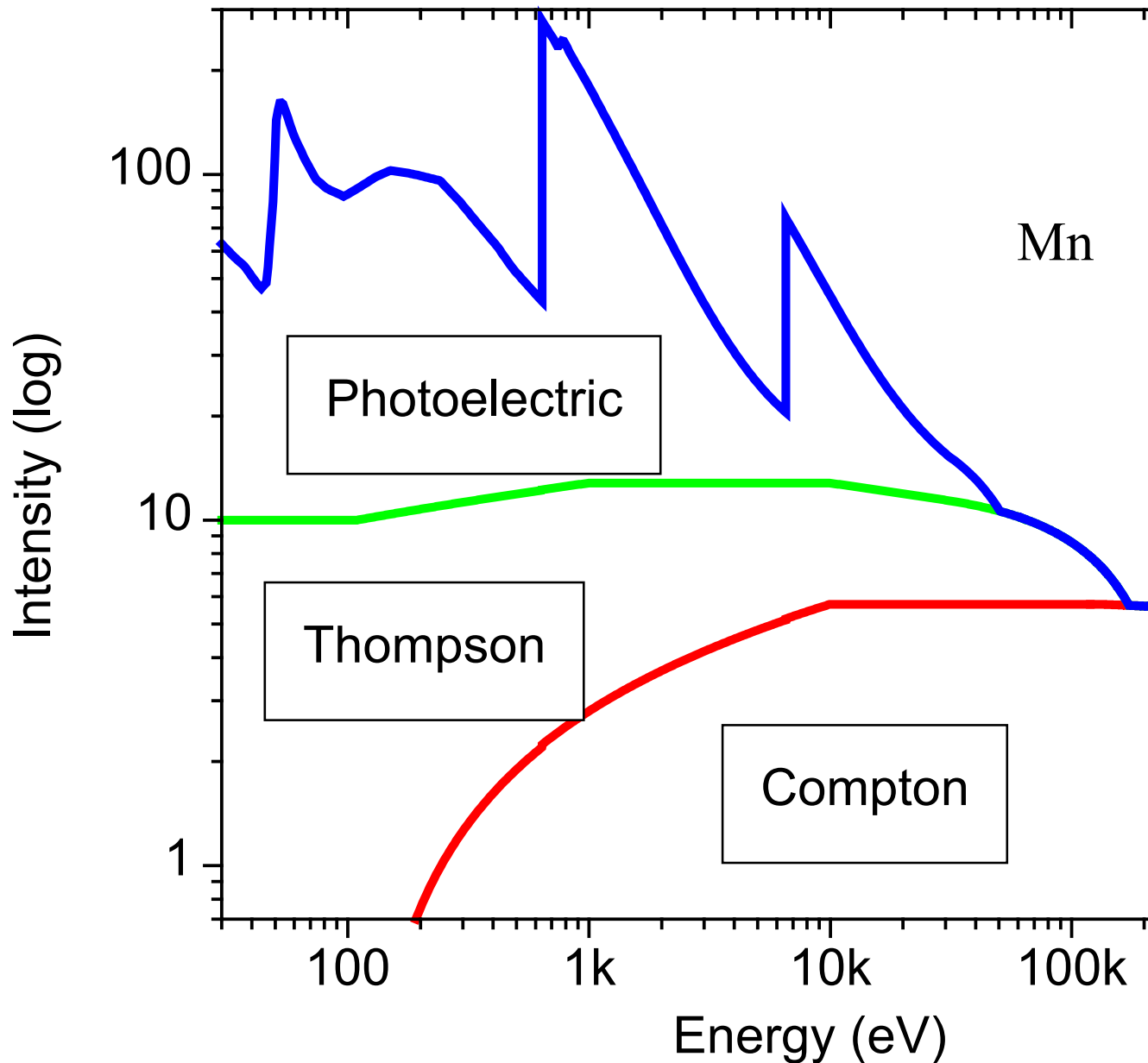


X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy

- Introduction to XAS
- XAS spectral shape
- multiplet calculations

X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy

- Photo-electric (X-ray annihilation)
- Elastic X-ray scattering
- Inelastic X-ray scattering



X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy

Label	Orbital	eV	
K	<u>1s</u>	6539	
L _I	<u>2s</u>	769	
L _{II}	<u>2p_{1/2}</u>	650	sharp
L _{III}	<u>2p_{3/2}</u>	639	principal
M _I	<u>3s</u>	82	diffuse
M _{II}	<u>3p_{1/2}</u>	47	fundamental
M _{III}	<u>3p_{3/2}</u>	47	

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The Nobel Prize in Physics 1917 was awarded to Charles Glover Barkla "for his discovery of the characteristic Röntgen radiation of the elements."

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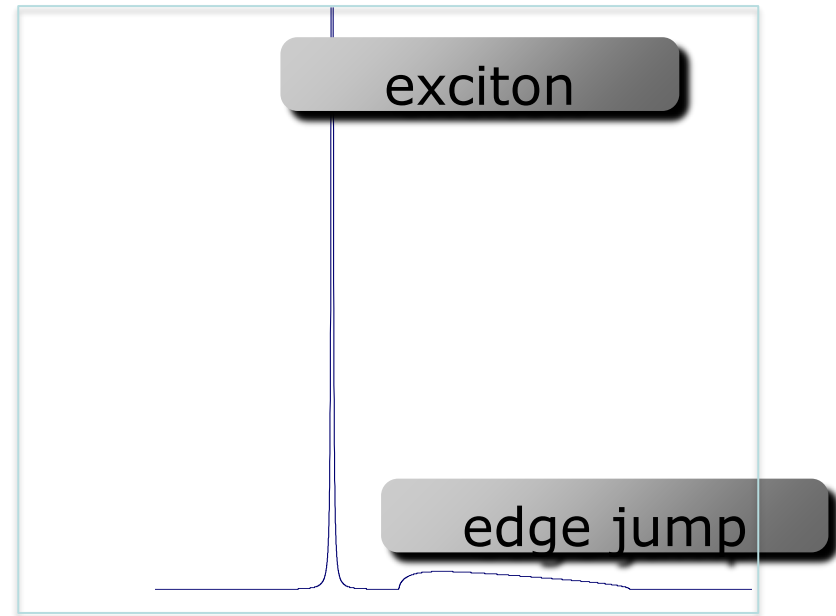
- Element specific
- Sensitive to low concentrations
- Applicable under extreme conditions

- SPACE: Combination with x-ray microscopy
- TIME: femtosecond XAS
- RESONANCE: RIXS, RPES, R diffraction

XAS: spectral shape

Excitations of core electrons to empty states

The XAS spectra are given by the
Fermi Golden Rule



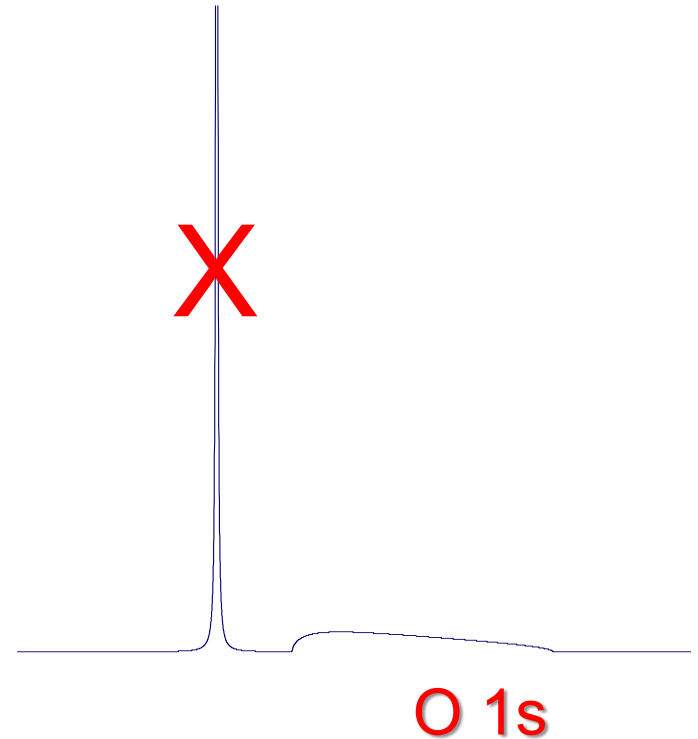
$$I_{XAS} \sim \sum_f \left| \langle \Phi_f | \hat{e} \cdot r | \Phi_i \rangle \right|^2 \delta_{E_f - E_i - \hbar\omega}$$

XAS: spectral shape (oxygen 1s)

Fermi Golden Rule

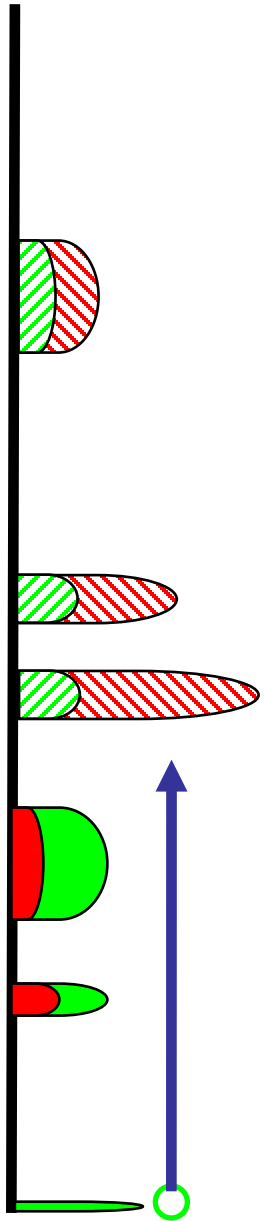


Excitations to
empty states as calculated by
DFT



$$I_{XAS} \sim M^2 \rho \approx \rho_{site, symmetry}$$

XAS: spectral shape (O 1s)



4sp

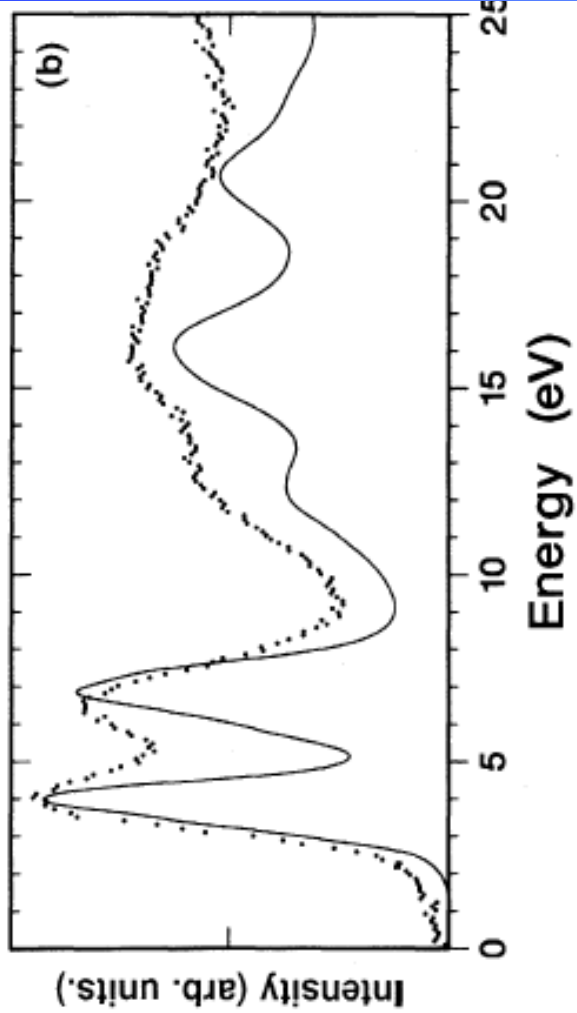
E_g

T_{2g}

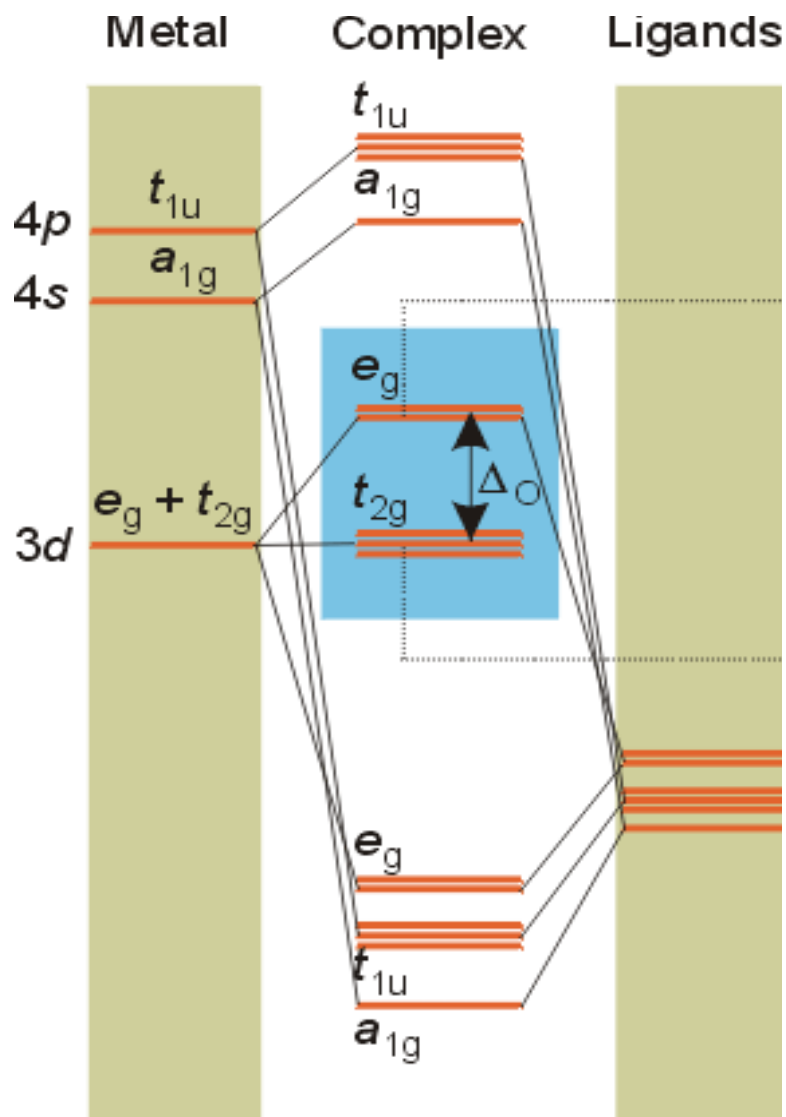
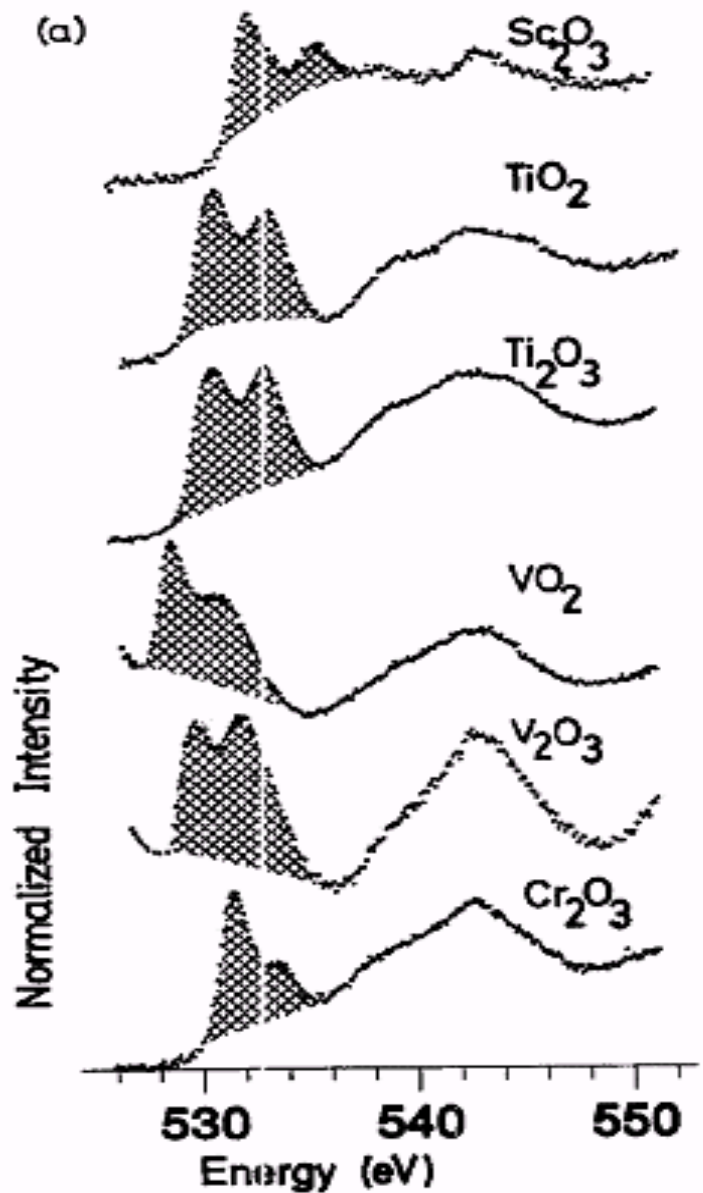
O 2p

O 2s

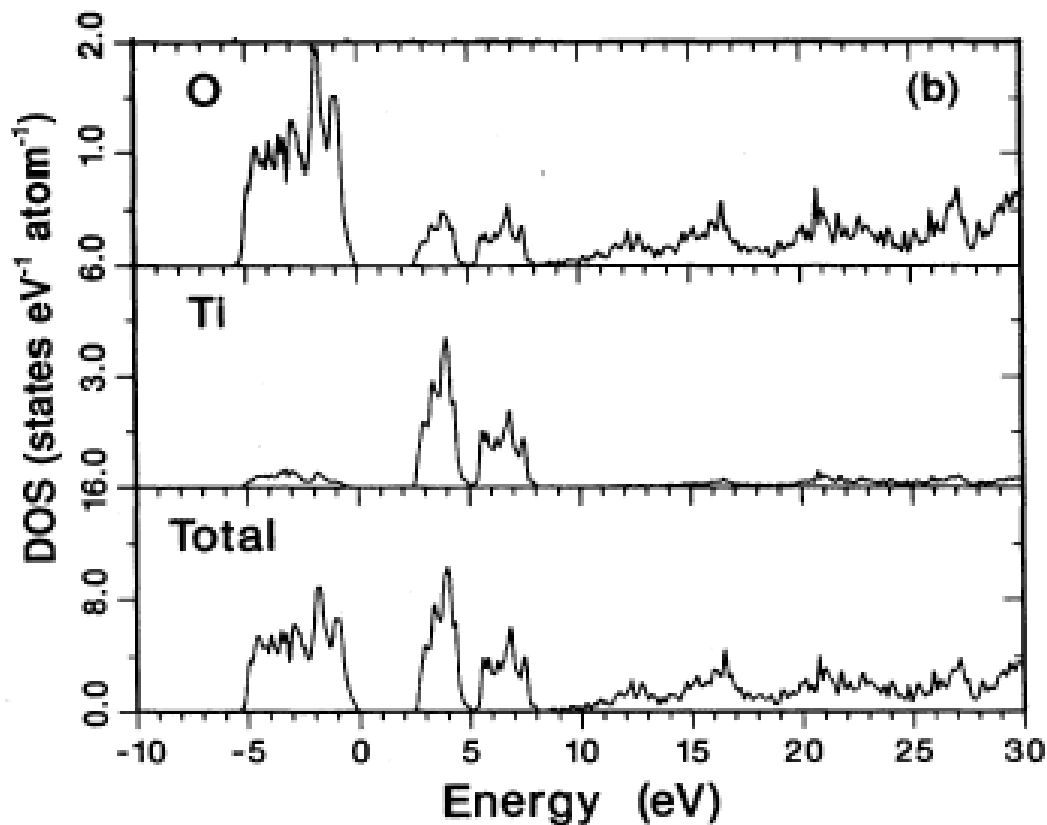
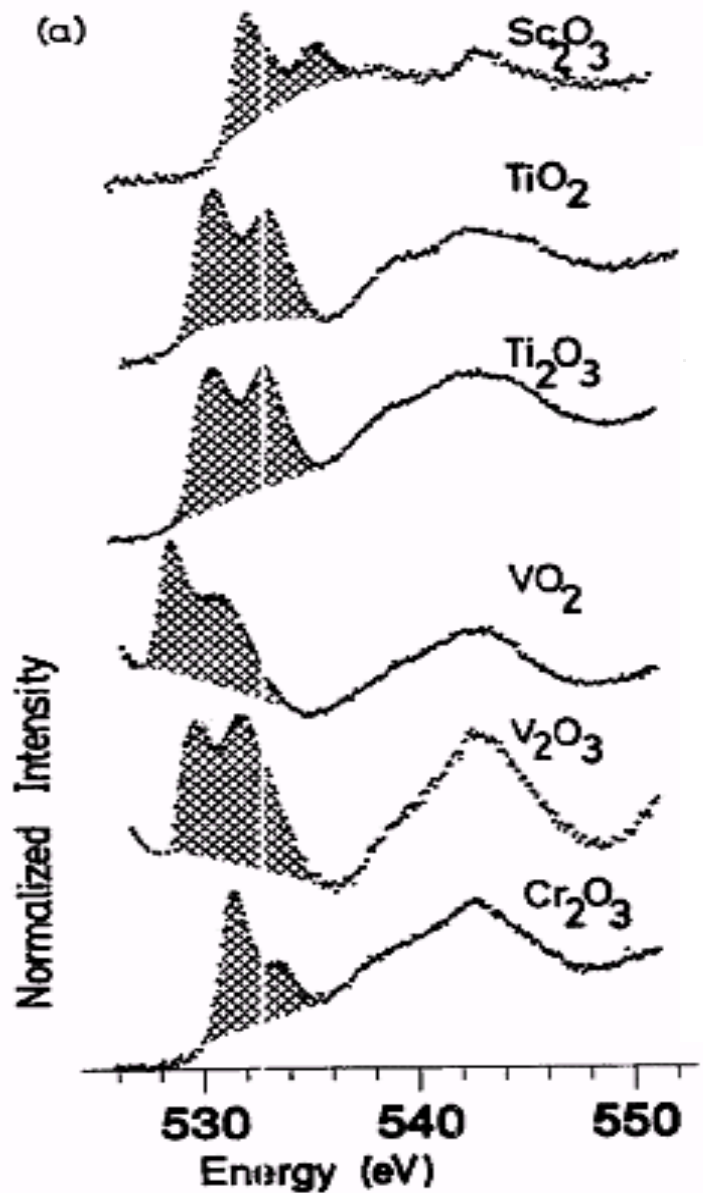
O 1s ~530 eV



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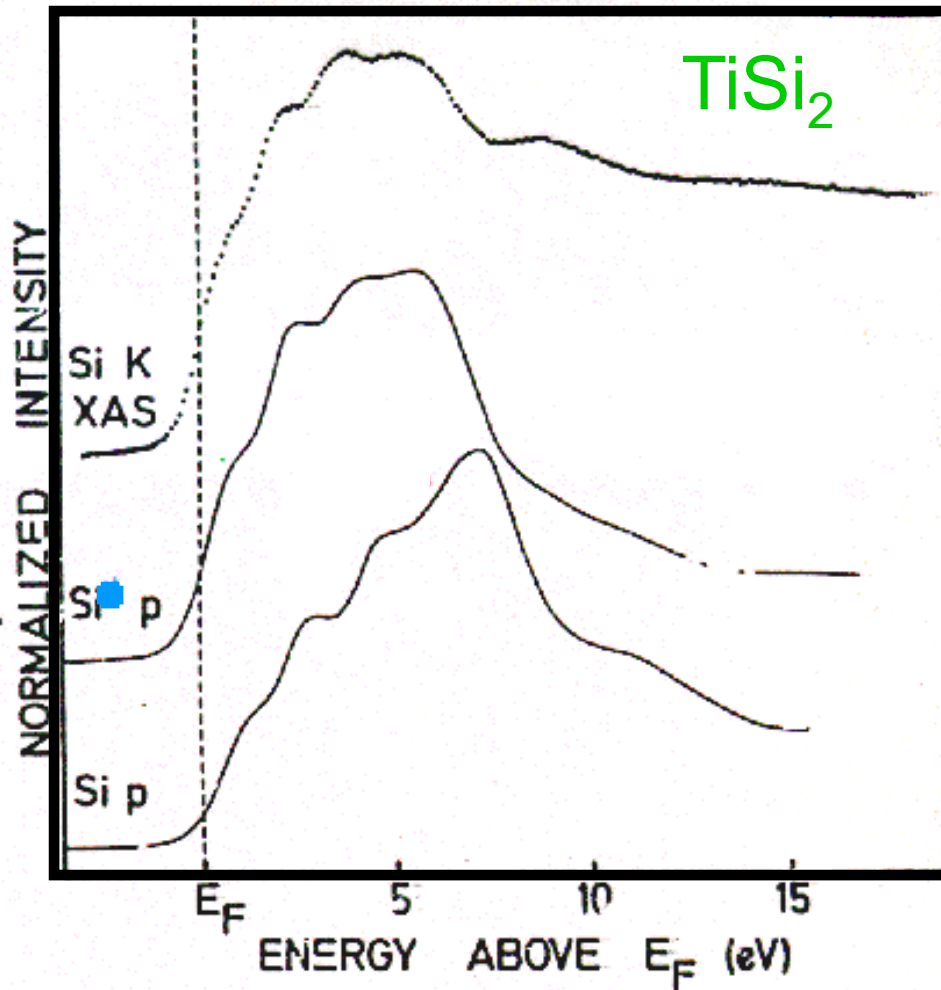


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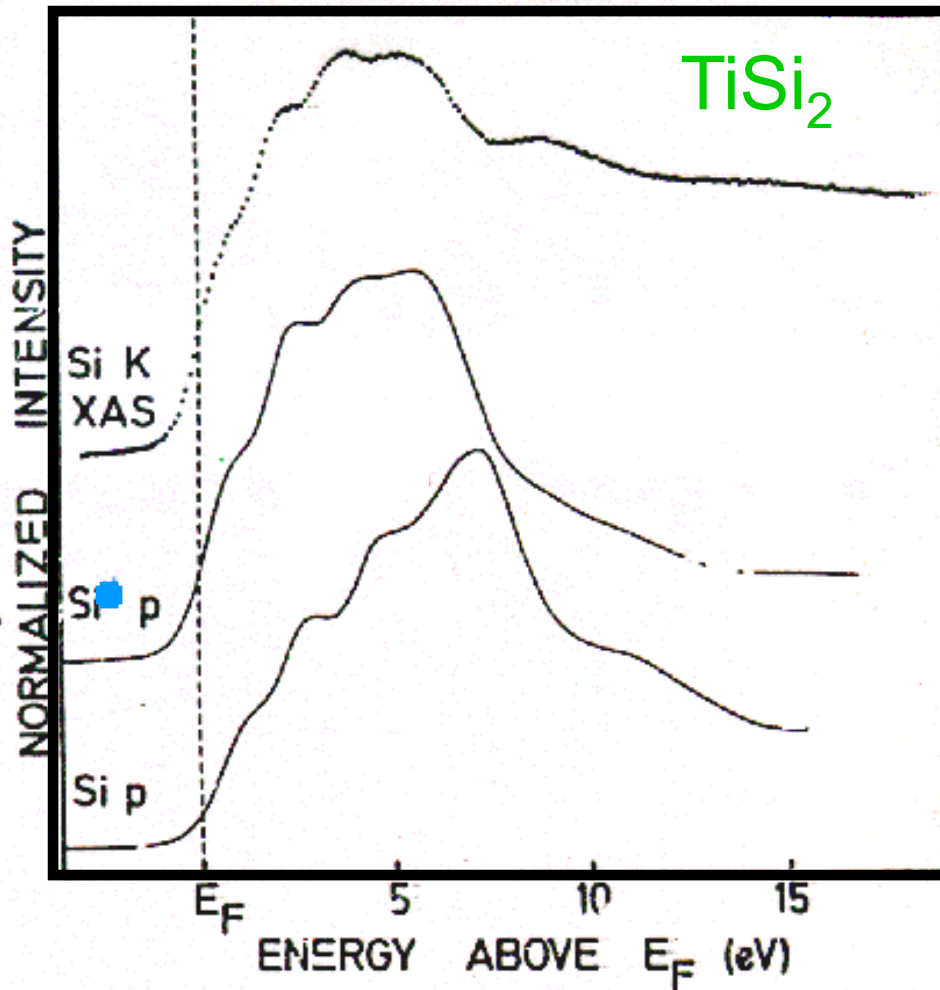
oxygen 1s > p DOS

XAS: spectral shape



- **Final State Rule:**
Spectral shape of XAS looks like final state DOS

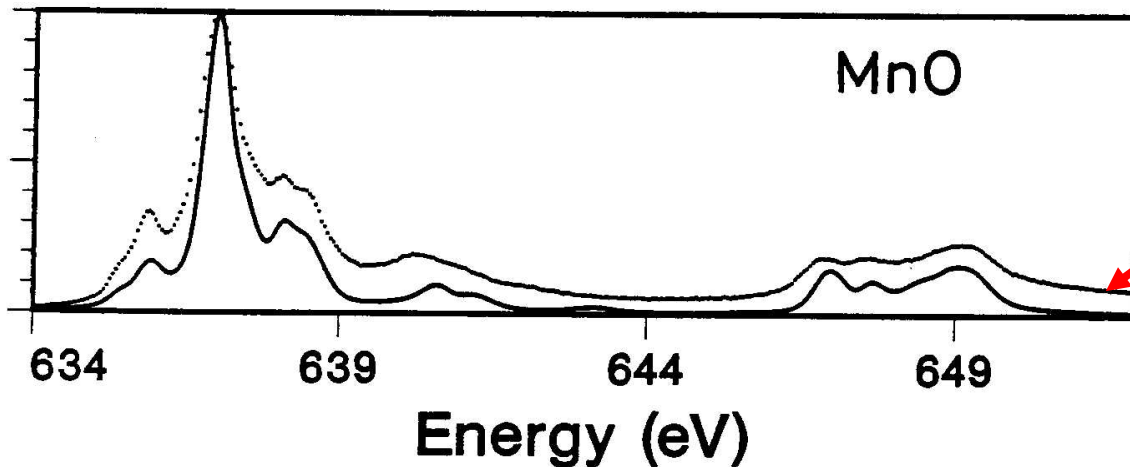
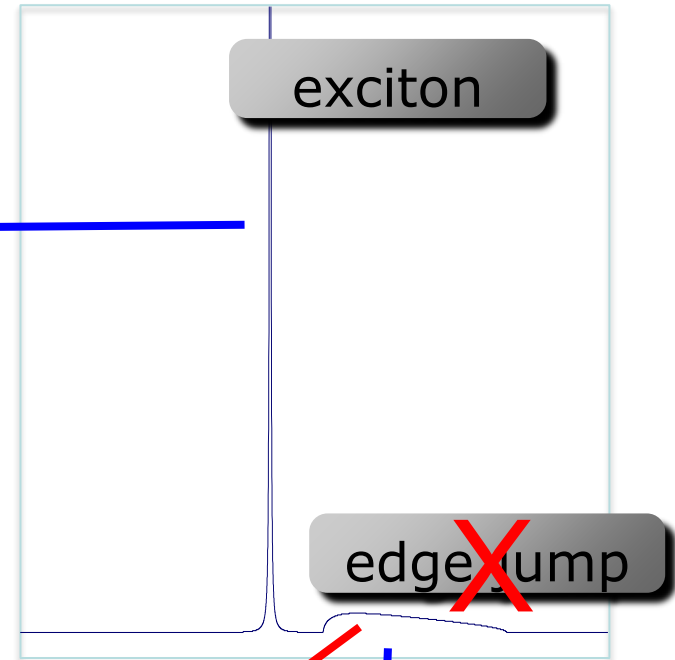
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- **XAS codes:**
- Multiple scattering: FEFF, FDMNES, etc.
- Band structure: WIEN2K, QuantumESPRESSO, etc.
- Real-space DFT: ADF, ORCA, etc.

2p XAS of transition metal ions

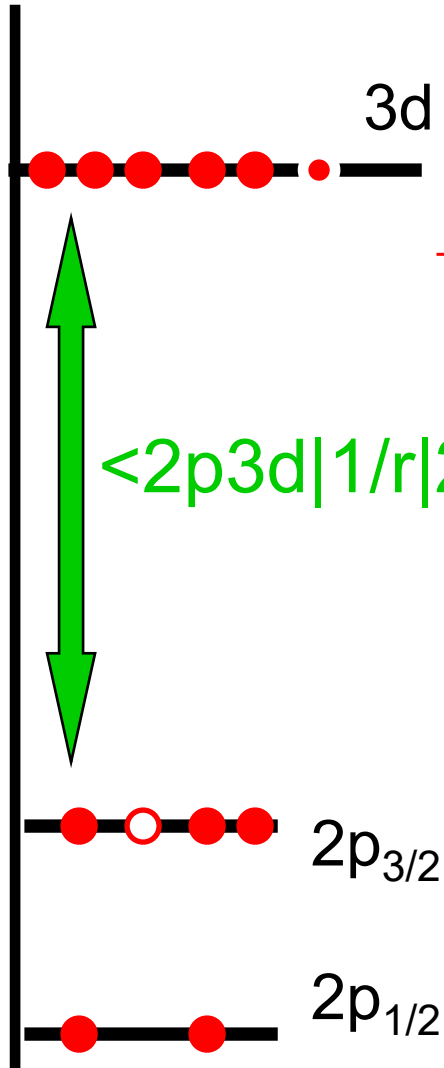
$2p > 3d$
($3d^5 > 2p^5 3d^6$, self screened)



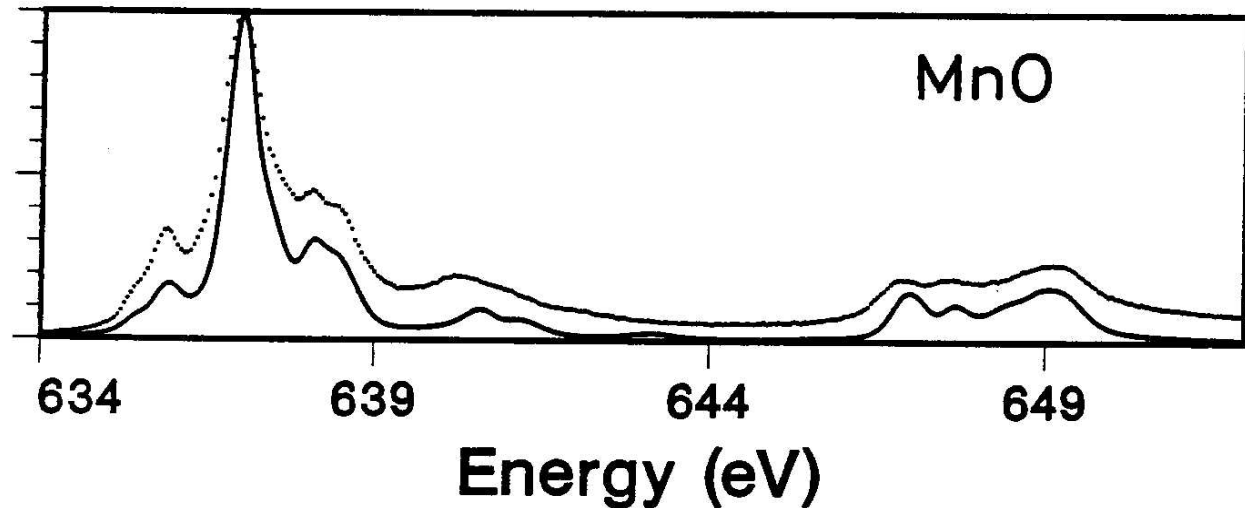
$2p > s, d$ DOS

XAS: spectral shape

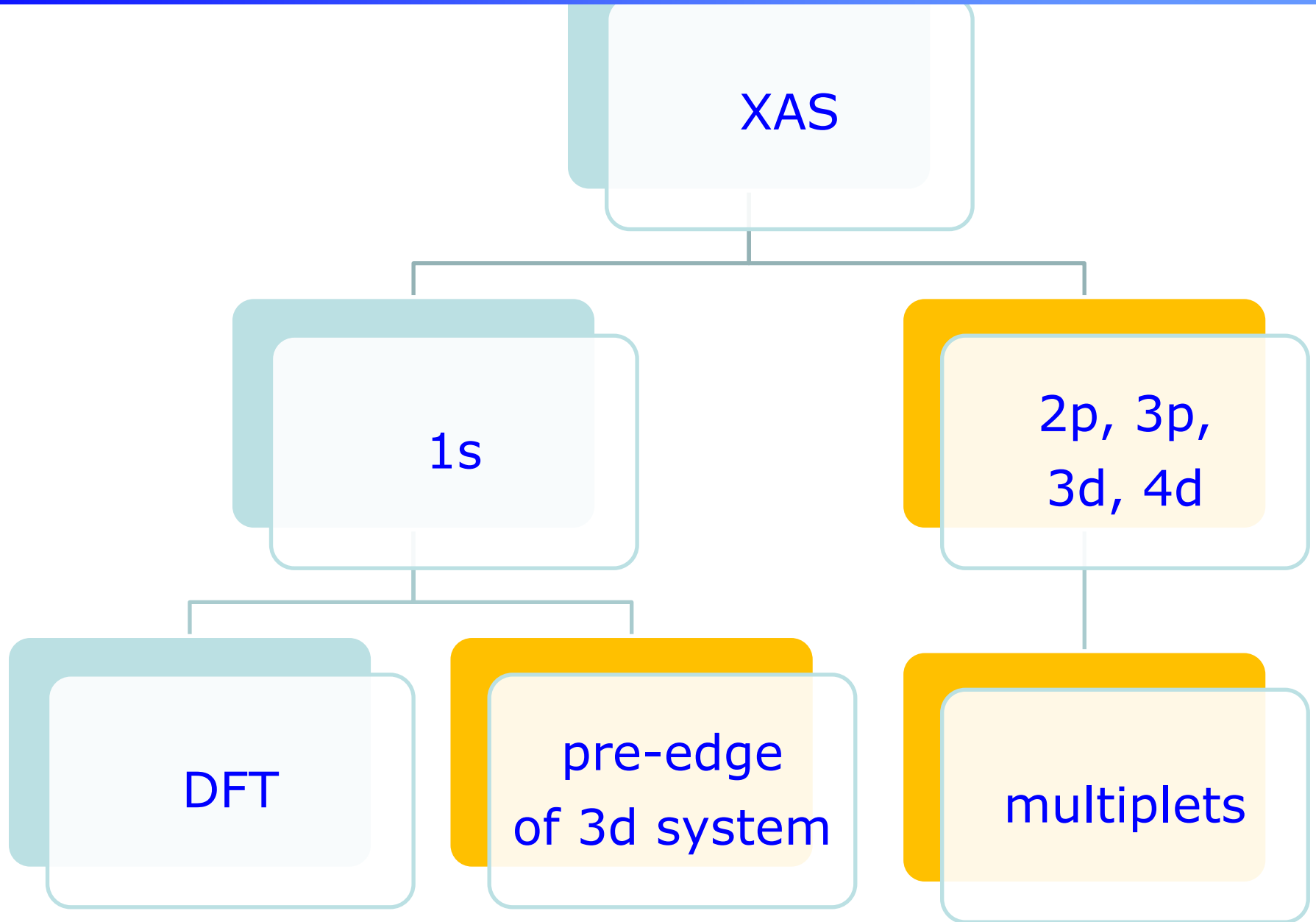
Interaction between core and valence wave functions



→ Spectral shape NOT improved in last 30 years!



XAS: spectral shape (of d and f systems)



CHARGE TRANSFER MULTIPLETS

Used for the analysis of XAS, EELS,

Photoemission, Auger, XES
involving d and f-shells

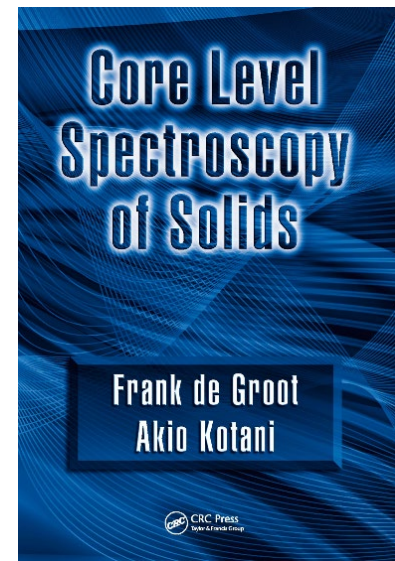
ATOMIC PHYSICS



GROUP THEORY



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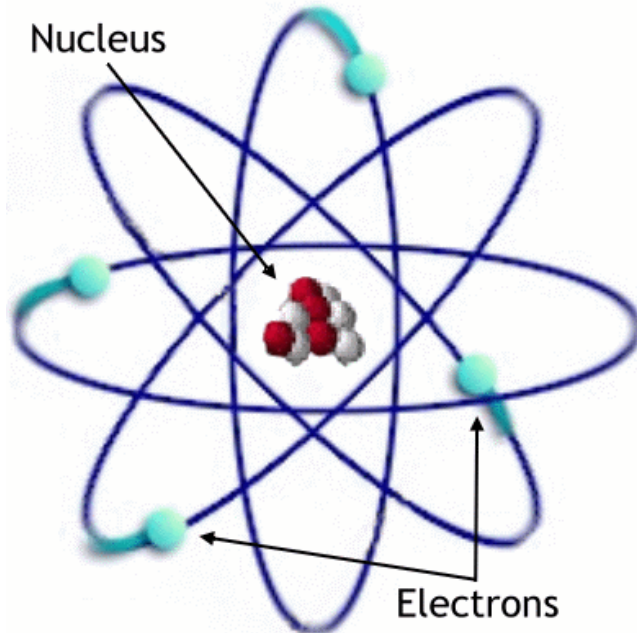


ATOMIC MULTIPLICETS

$$H\Psi = E\Psi$$

$$H = \sum_N \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \sum_N \frac{-Ze^2}{r_i} + \sum_{pairs} \frac{e^2}{r_{ij}} + \sum_N \zeta(r_i) l_i \cdot s_i$$

- Kinetic Energy
- Nuclear Energy
- Electron-electron interaction
- Spin-orbit coupling

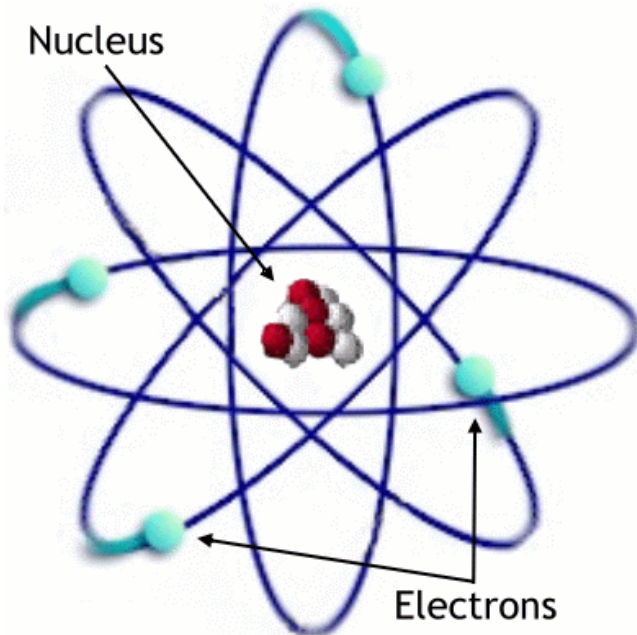


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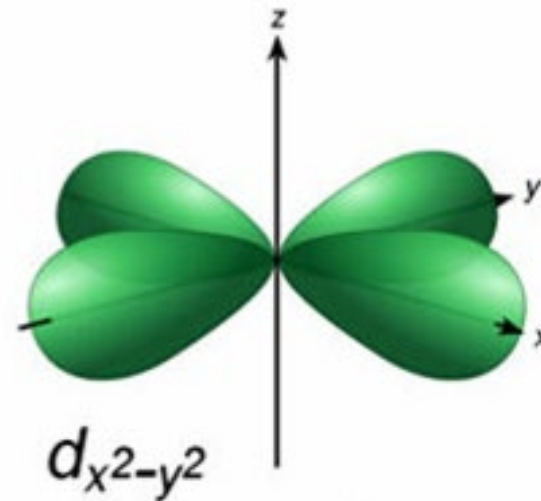
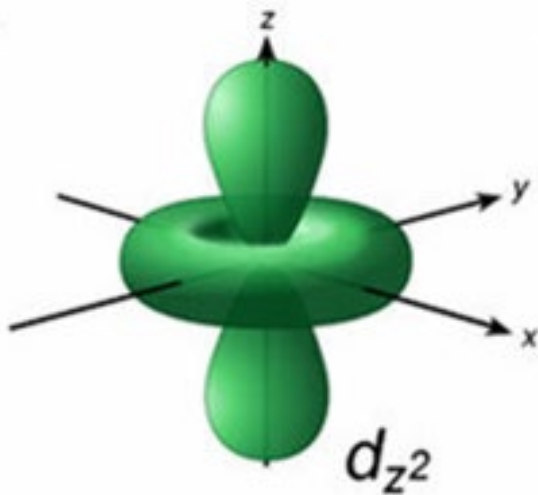
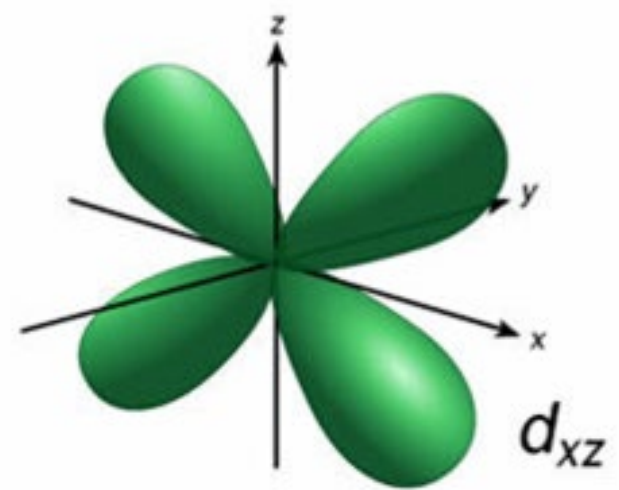
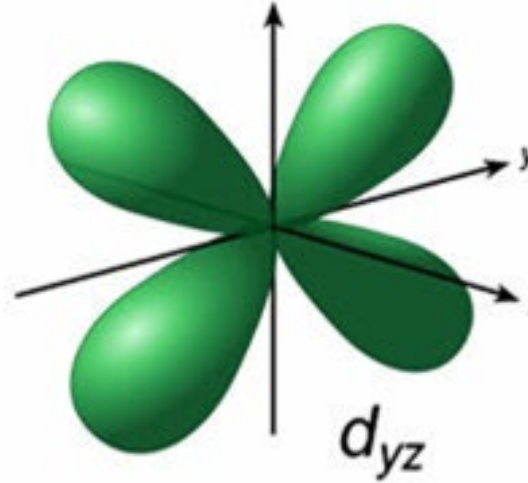
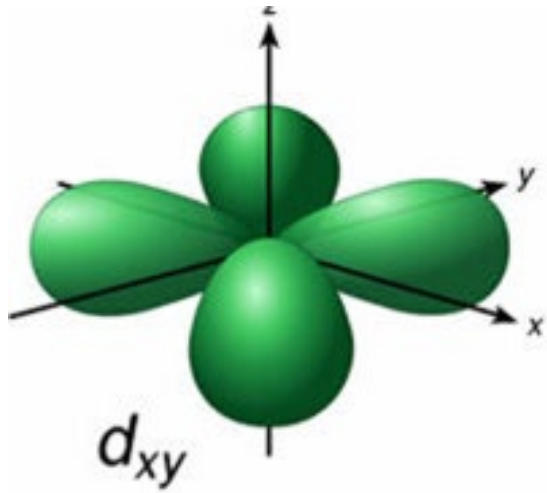
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ATOMIC MULTIPLETS $3d^1$

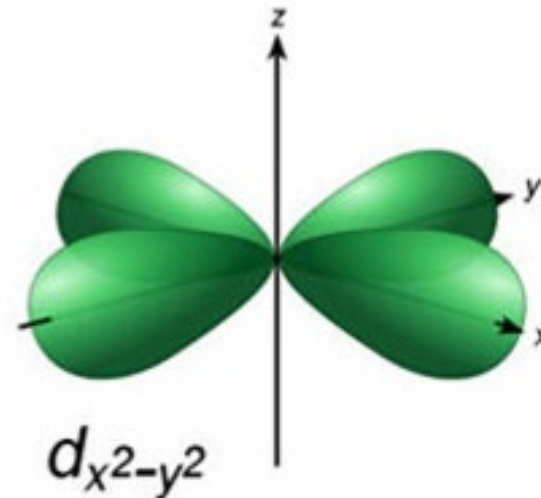
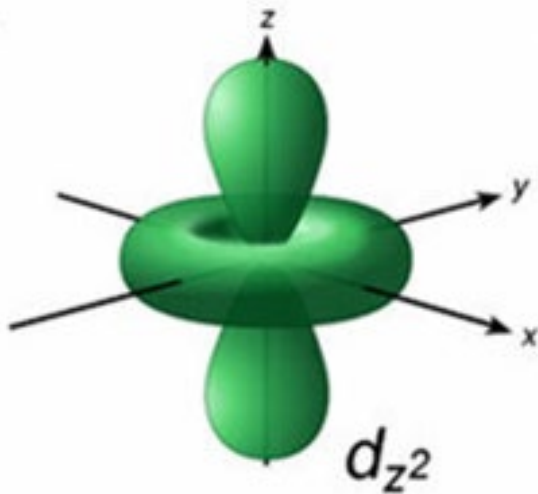
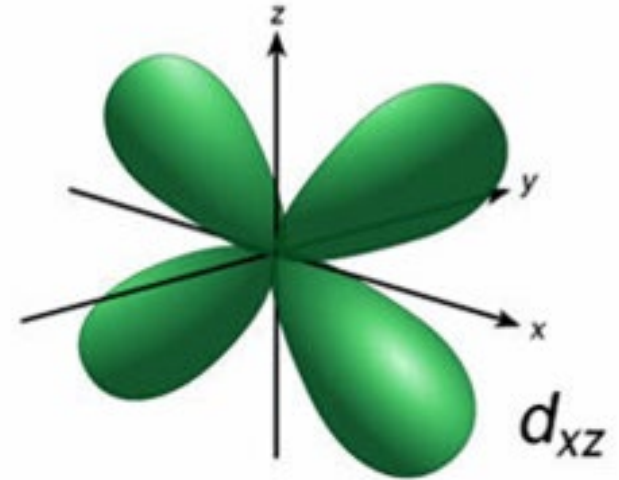
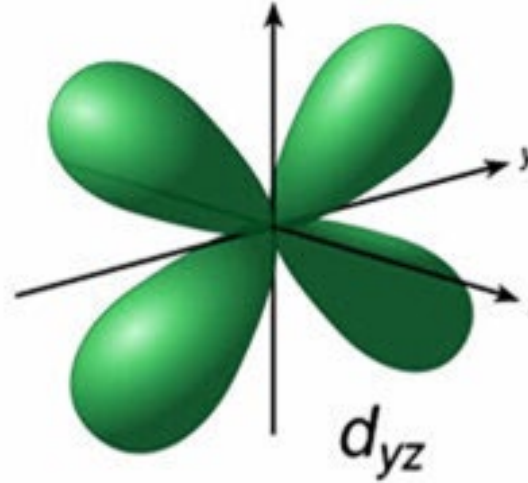
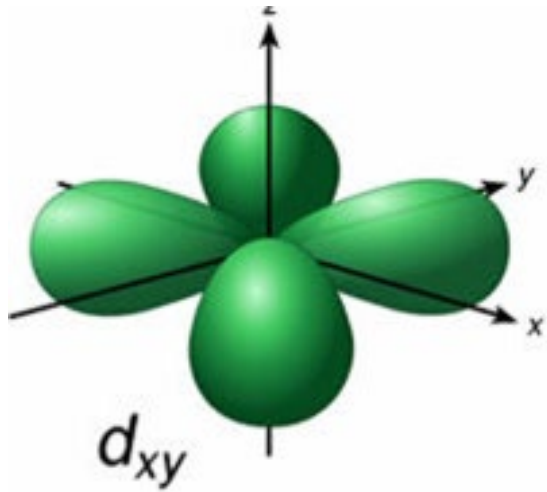


5 orbitals (each spin-up or spin-down) \gg total 10 states

No electron-electron interaction: all states have the same energy

Quantum numbers: $L=2$ and $S=1/2$, notation as term symbol: $^{2S+1}L = {}^2D$

ATOMIC MULTIPLETS $3d^1$



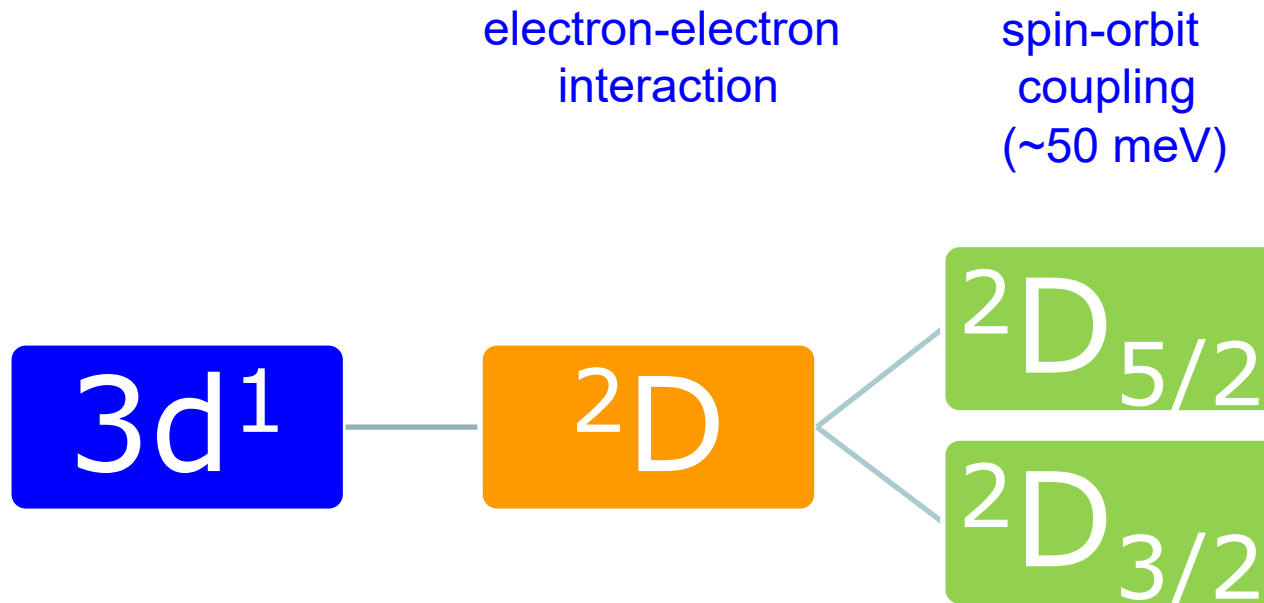
Spin-orbit coupling couples L and S quantum numbers to a total quantum number J

$J_{\max} = L + S = 5/2$, $J_{\min} = |L - S| = 3/2$, Integer steps of J .

Two term symbols: $L=2$, $S=1/2$, and $J = 5/2$ >> notation as term symbol: $^{2S+1}L_J = {}^2D_{5/2}$

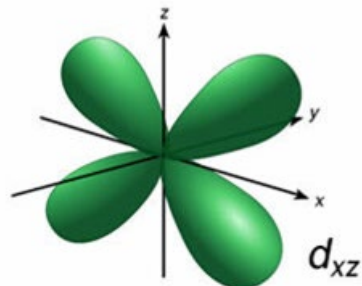
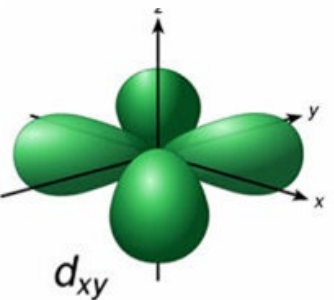
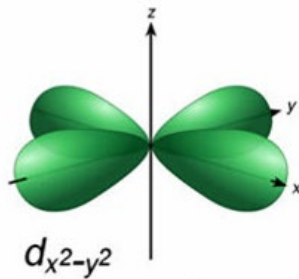
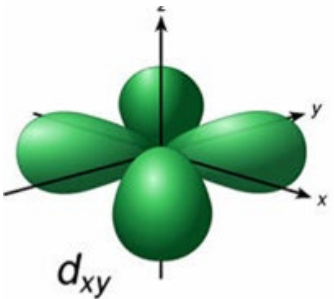
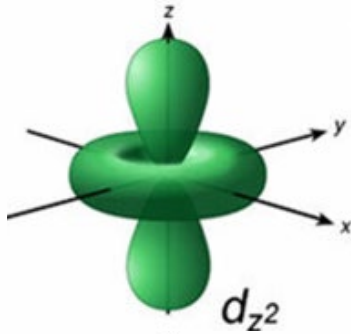
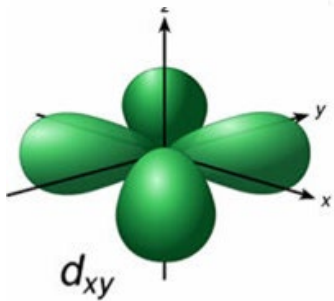
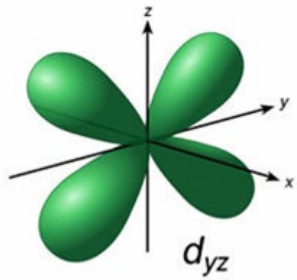
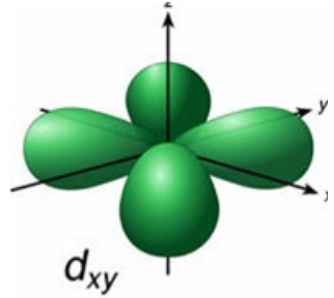
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ATOMIC MULTIPLETS $3d^1$



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ATOMIC MULTIPLETS $3d^2$



5 spin-up orbitals give $4 + 3 + 2 + 1 = 10$ paired $3d^2$ states
5 spin-down orbitals give 10 paired down-down $3d^2$ states
There are $5 \times 5 = 25$ up-down states
In total $10 + 10 + 25 = 45$ states

Can also be calculated as $10 \times 9 / 2 = 45$ states

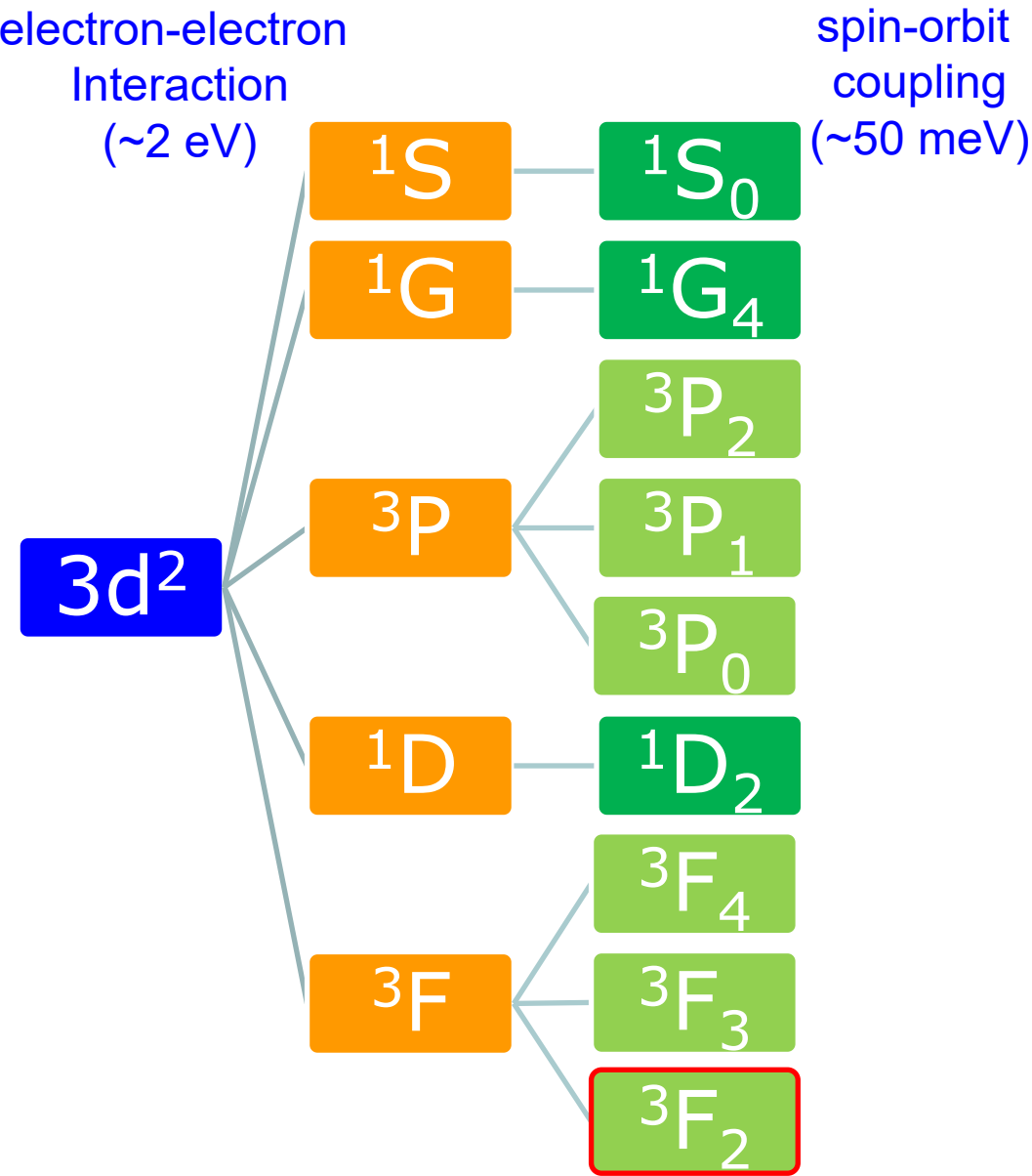
Electron-electron interaction is different for different orbital combinations

There will be a number of different states with different energies.

Analysis shows that the states are 1S , 3P , 1D , 3F and 1G

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ATOMIC MULTIPLICETS $3d^2$



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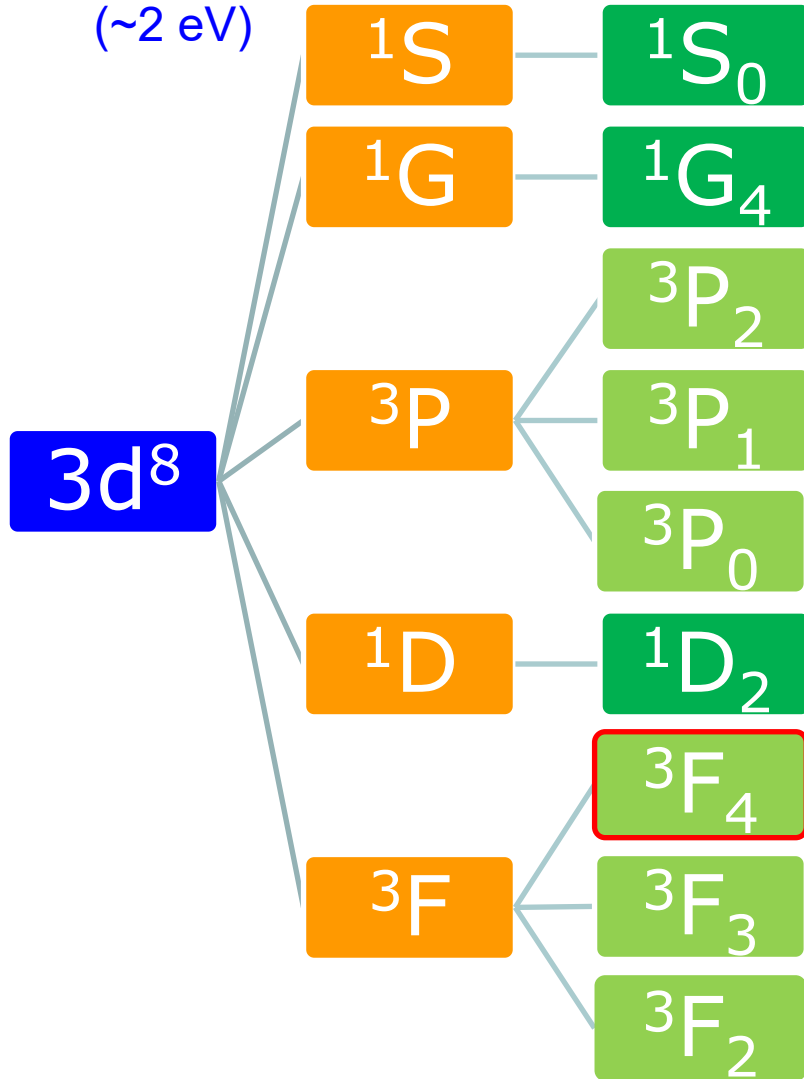
Given by **Hunds rules**

1. max S
2. max L
3. min J (if less than half full)

ATOMIC MULTIPLETS $3d^8$

electron-electron
Interaction
(~2 eV)

spin-orbit
coupling
(~50 meV)

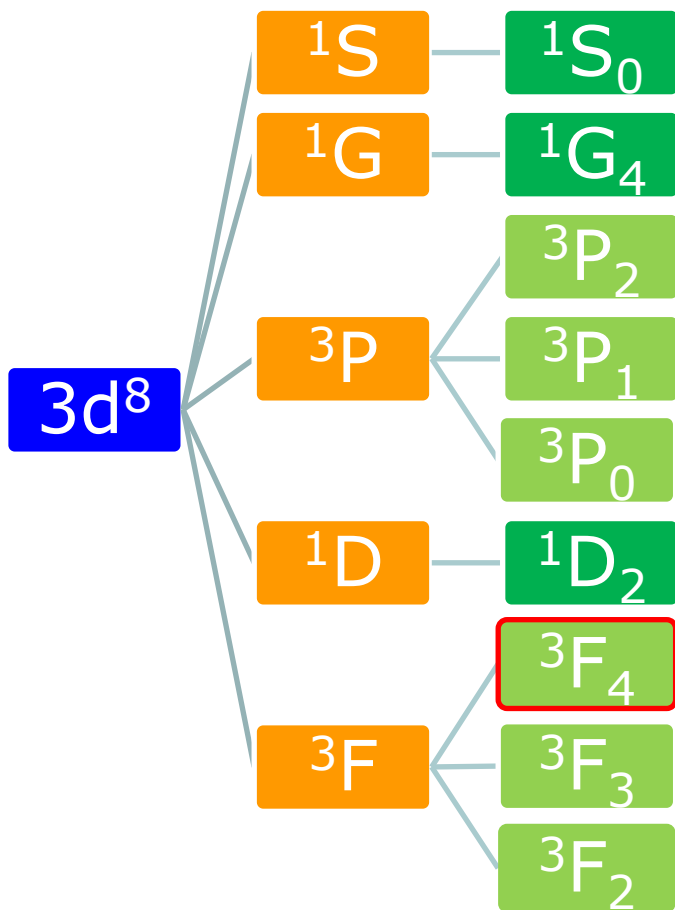


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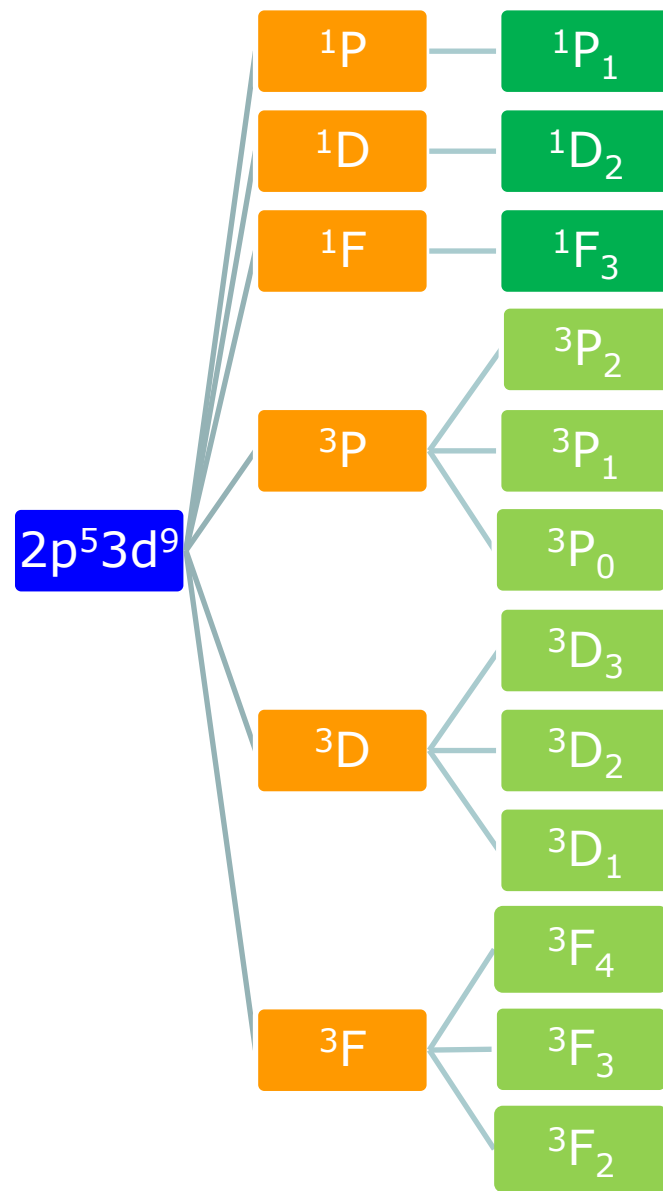
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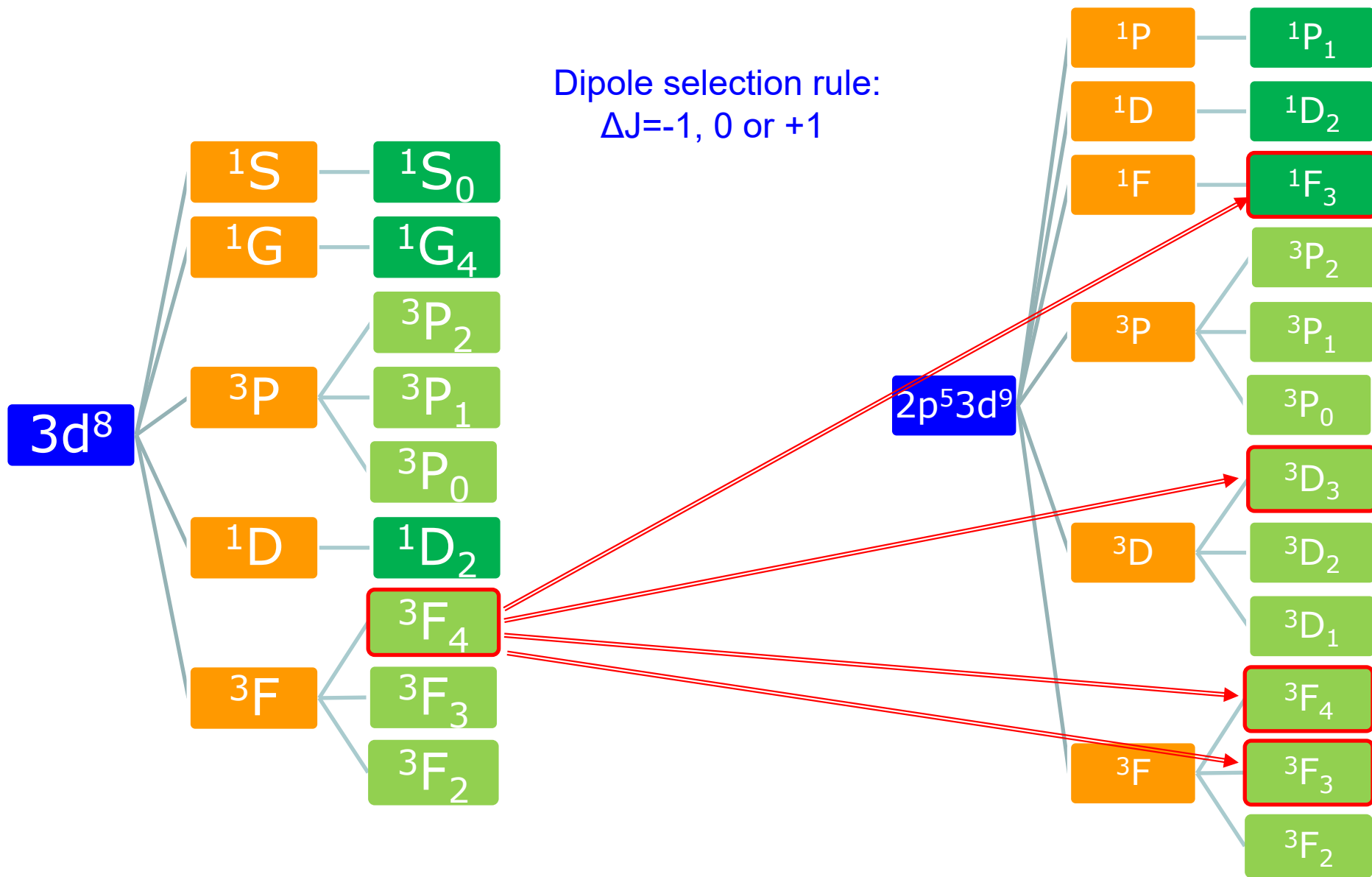
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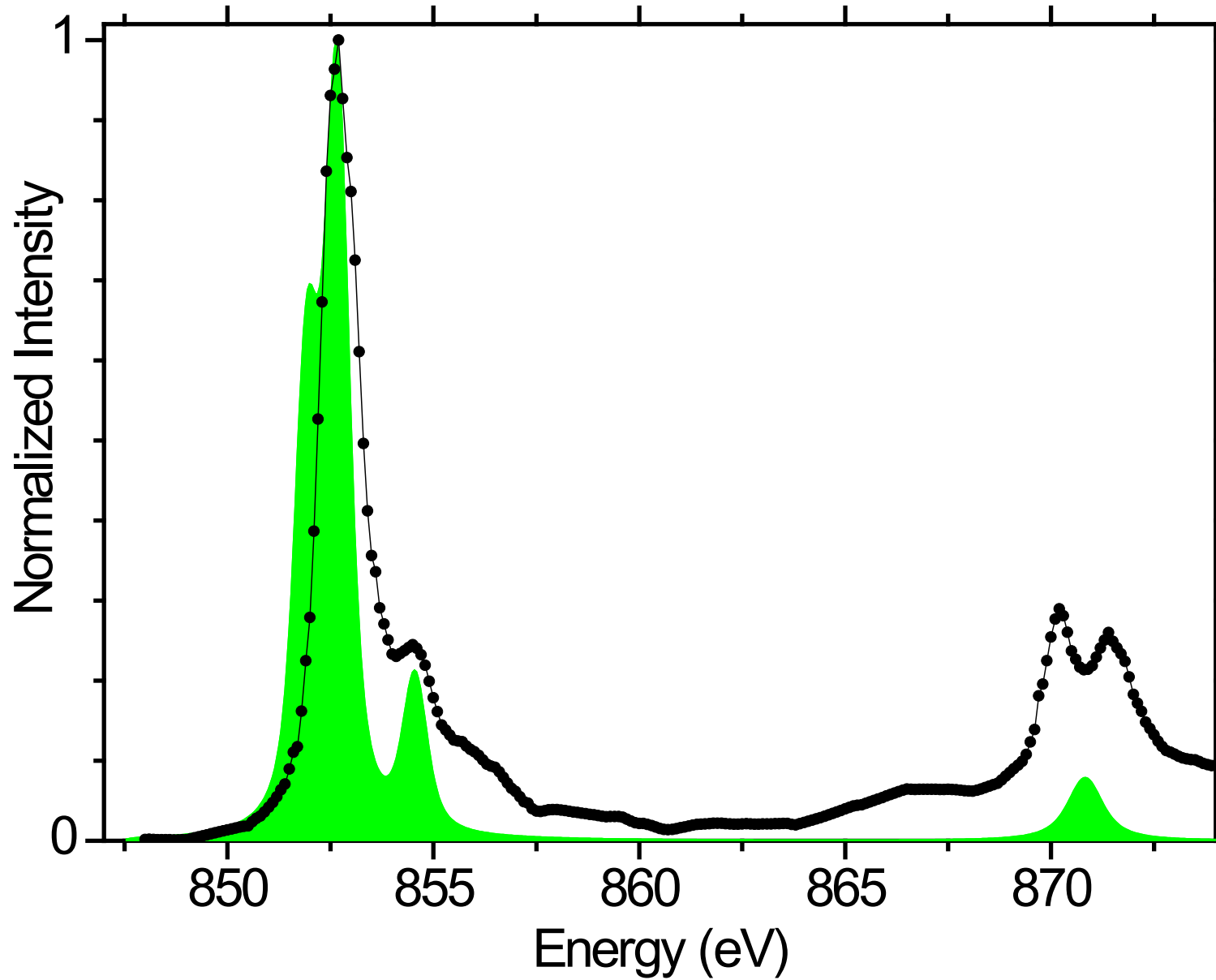
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2p XAS of NiO with atomic multiplets



3d XAS of rare earths

4f electrons are localized

- No effect of surroundings (crystal field < lifetime broadening)
- 3d XAS is self screened > no charge transfer effect

Initial state

- electron-electron interaction.
- Valence spin-orbit coupling

Final state

- + core hole – valence hole ‘multiplet’ interaction.
- + core hole spin-orbit coupling

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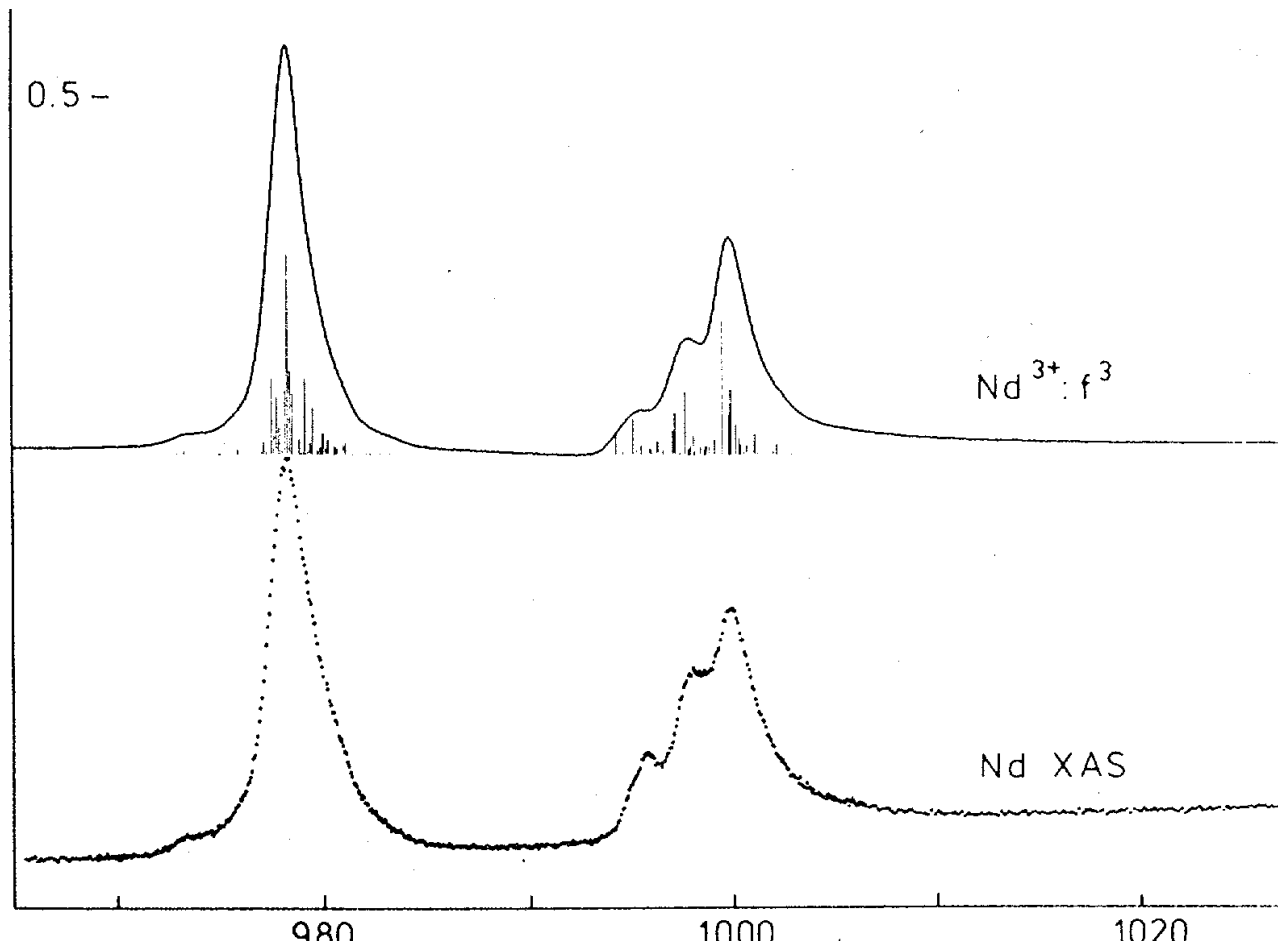
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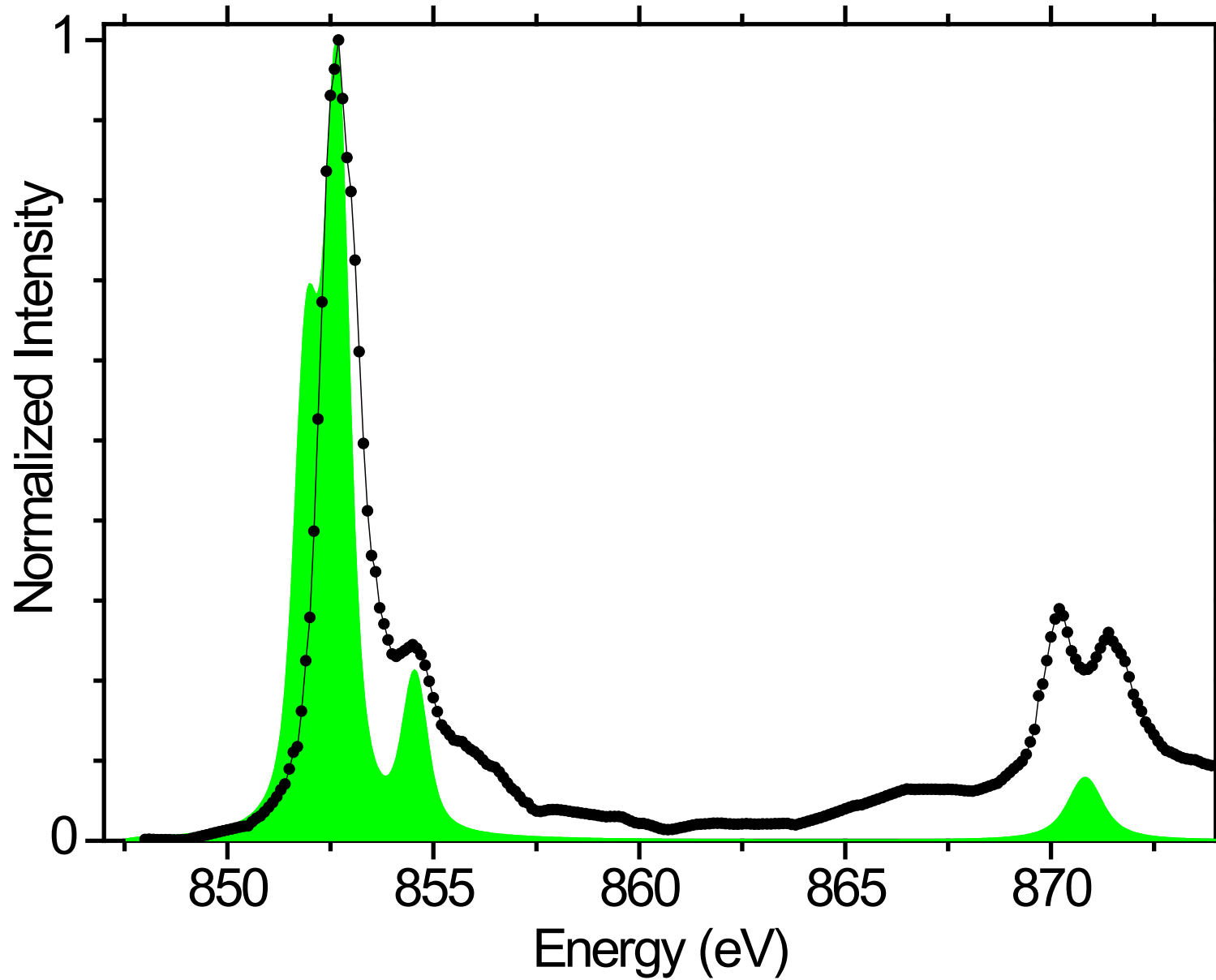
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3d XAS of rare earths

Nd^{3+} $4f^3$ system: ground state is $4I_{9/2}$



2p XAS of NiO with atomic multiplets



2p XAS of 3d transition metal oxides

3d electrons are less localized

- Effect of surroundings (crystal field effect)
- 3d XAS is self screened > weak charge transfer effect

Initial state

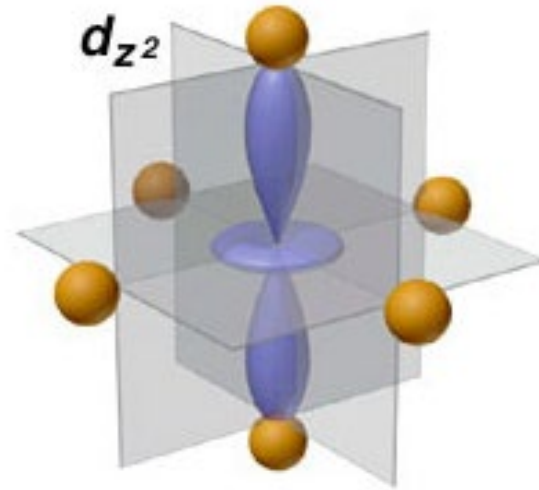
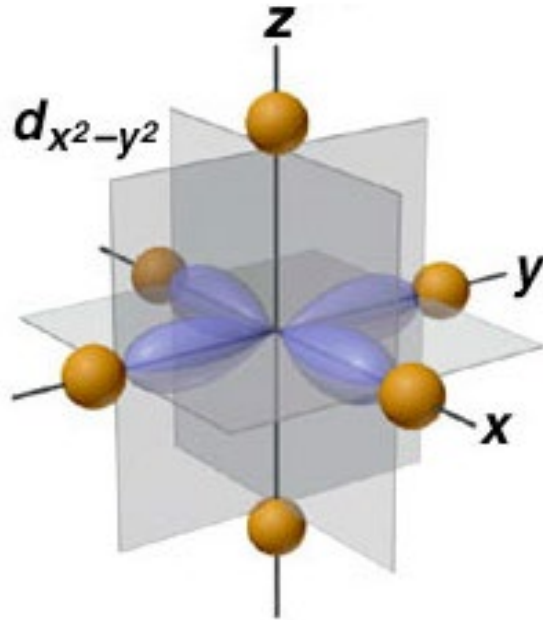
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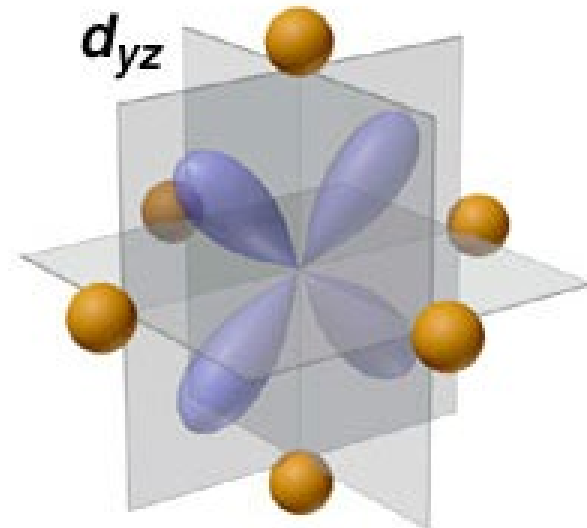
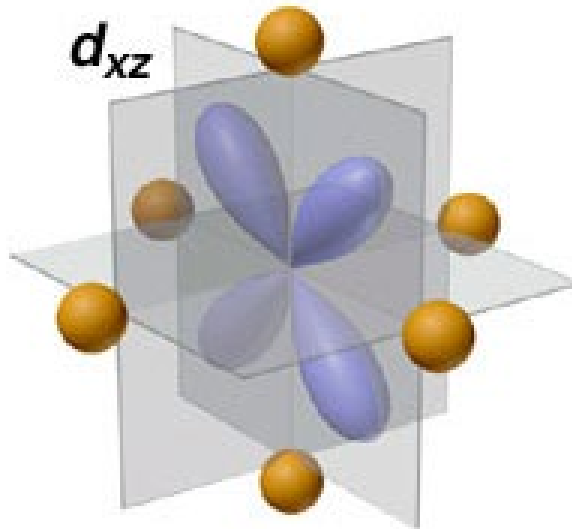
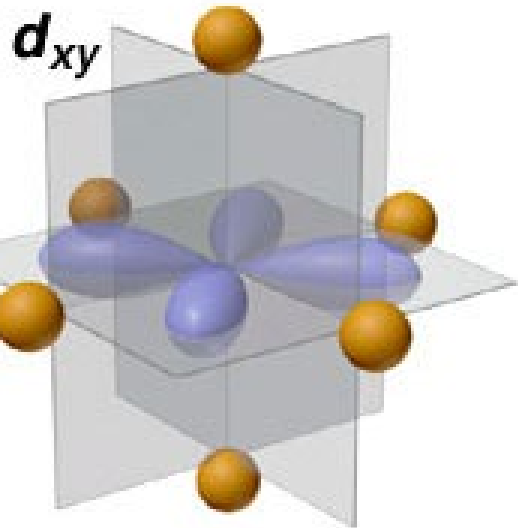
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crystal field effect

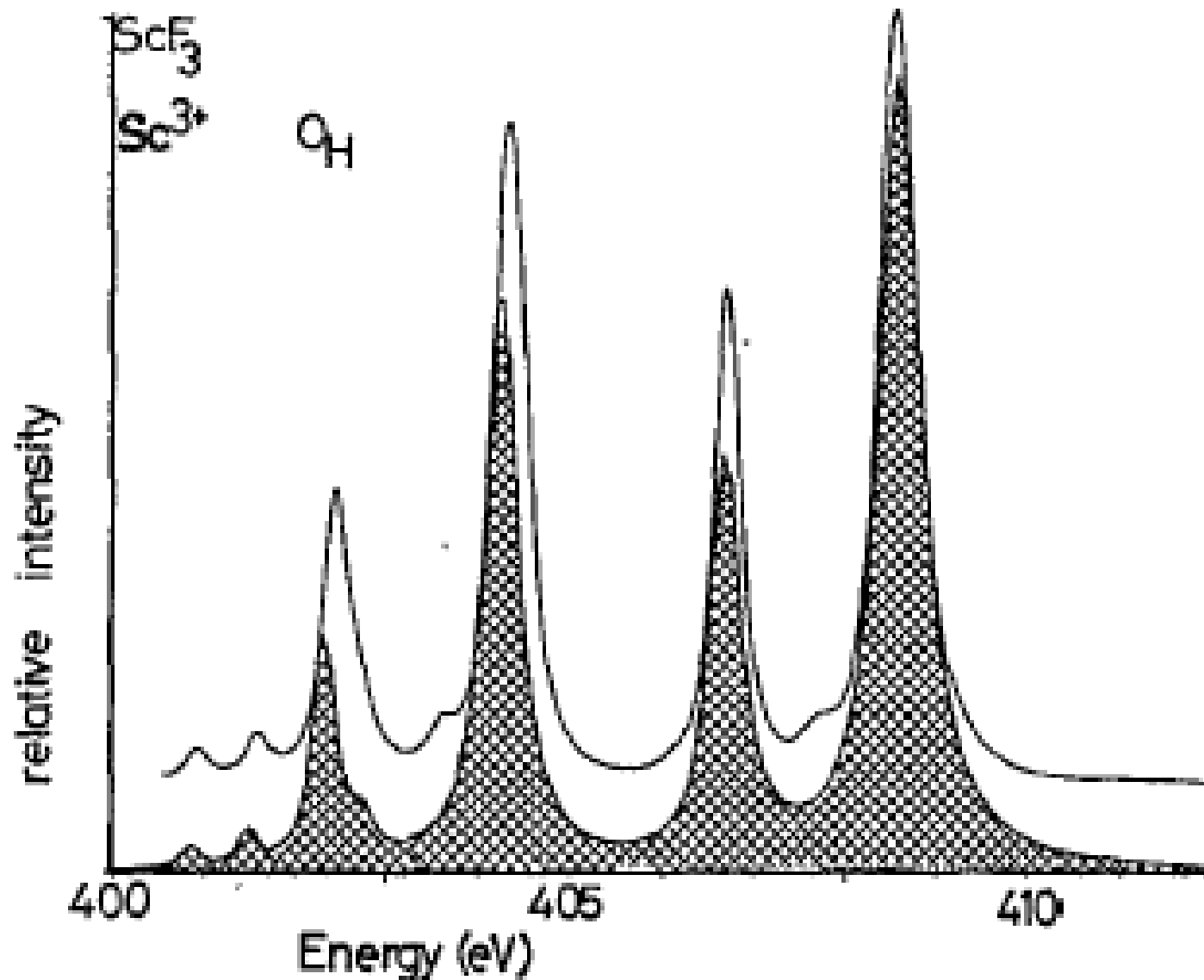
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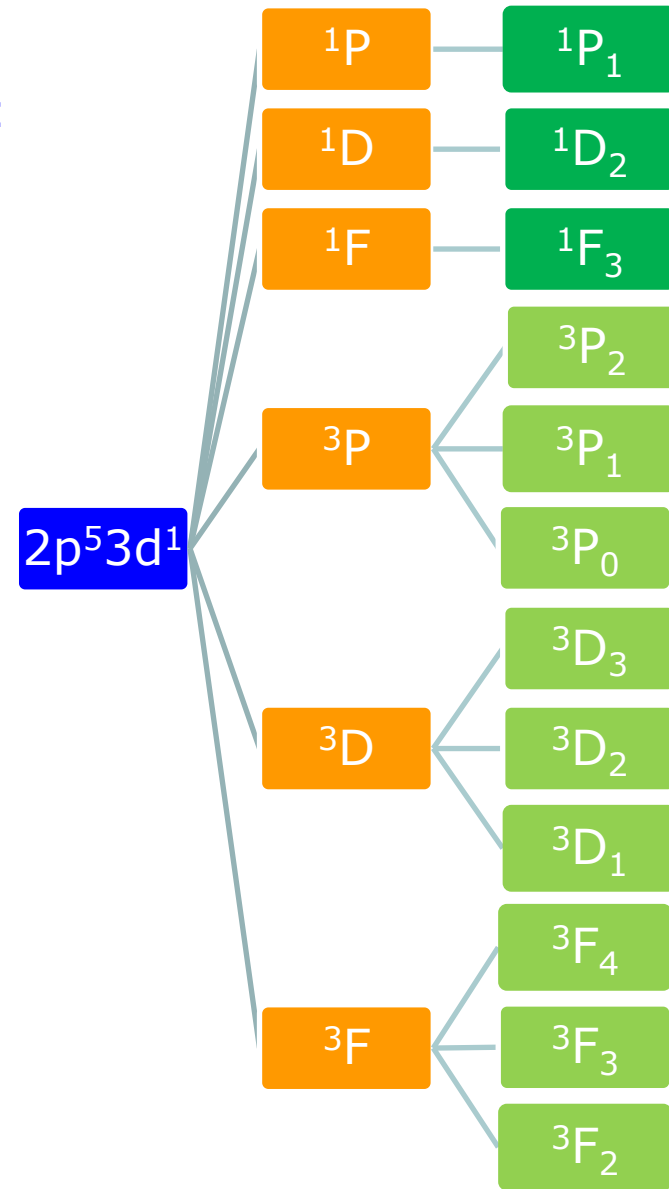


2p XAS of ScF₃ with crystal field multiplets



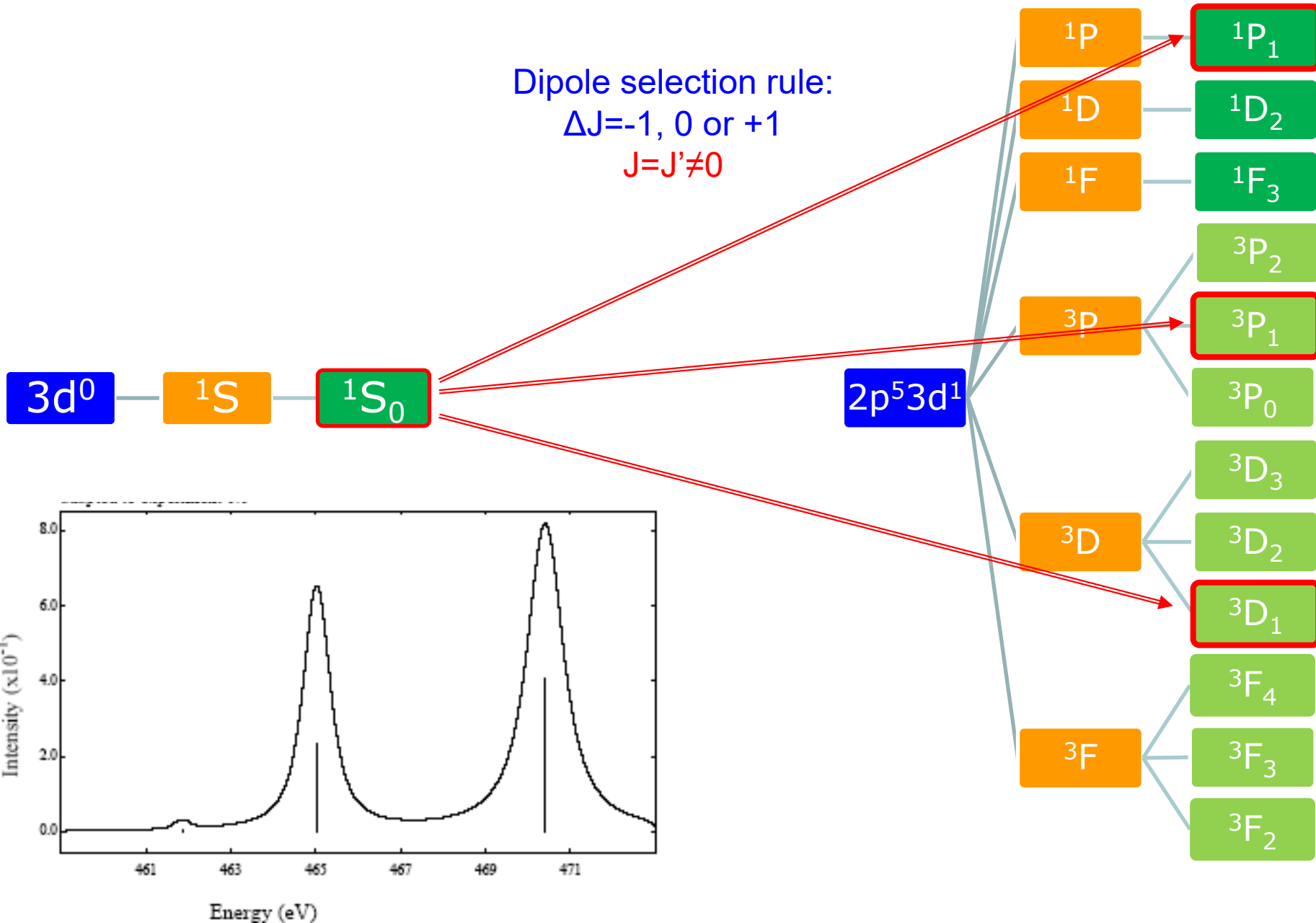
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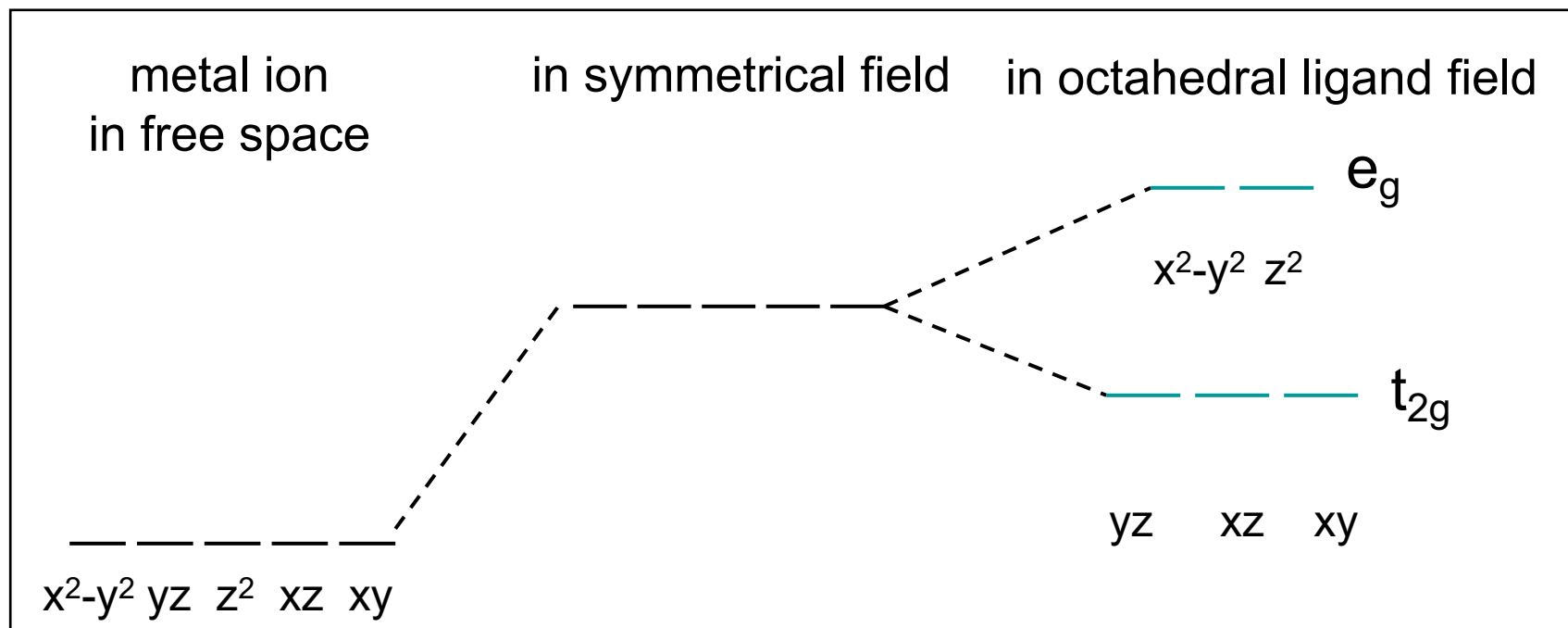
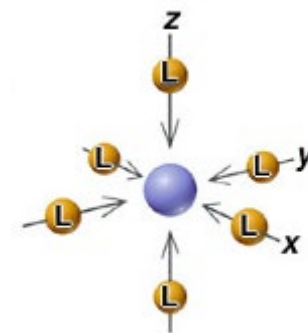
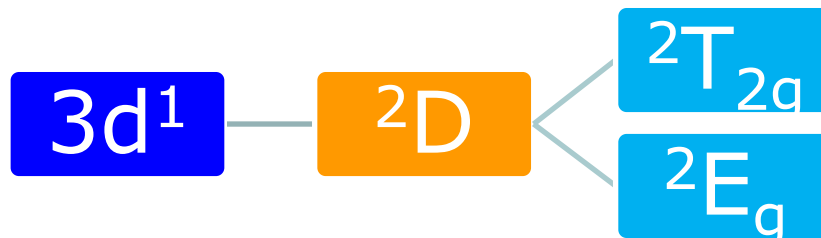


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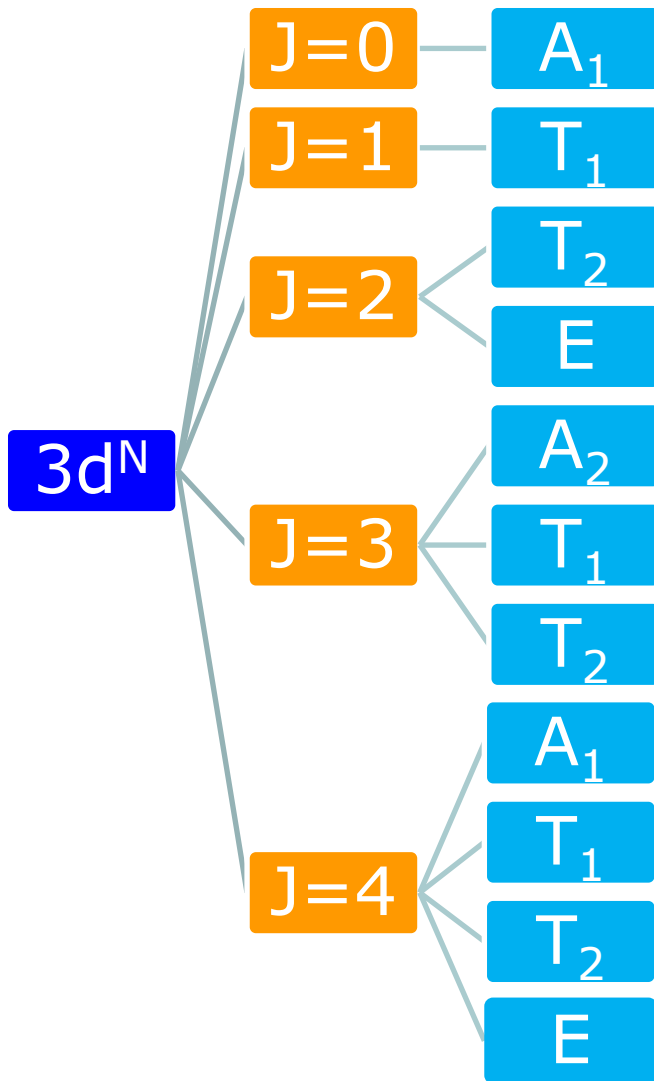
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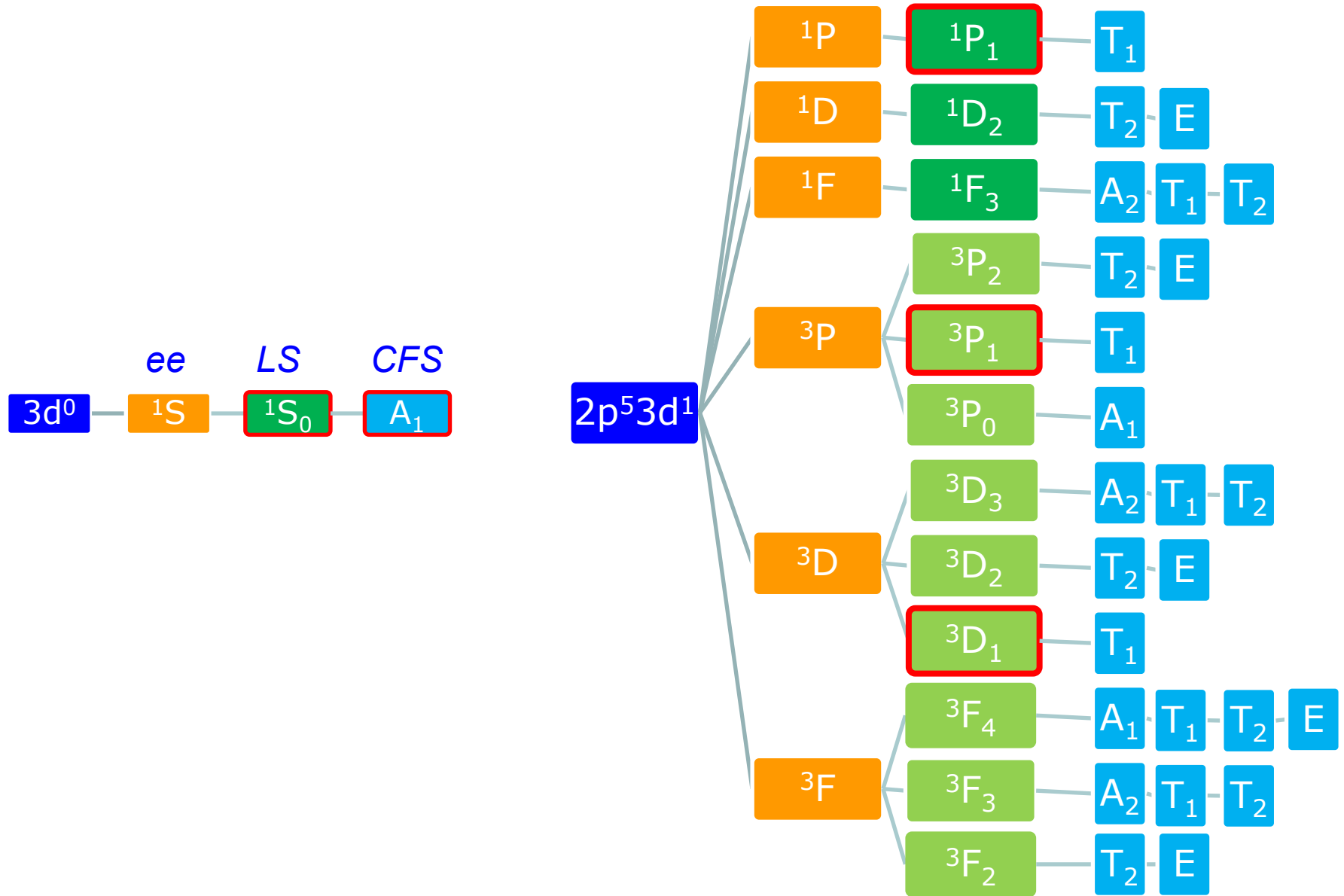


Branching rules:

Same rules for any quantum number

S, L or J

X-ray absorption from $3d^0$ to $2p^5 3d^1$



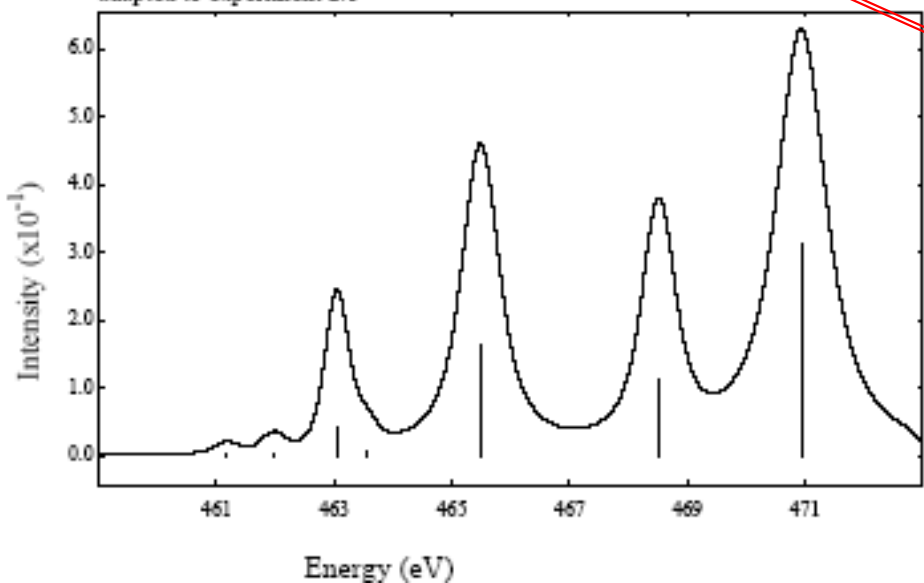
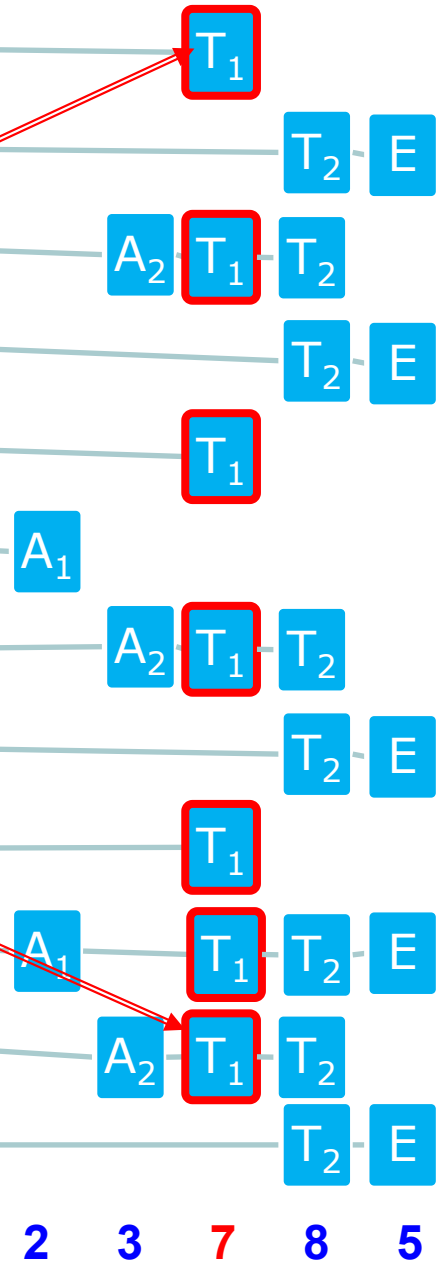
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 $\Delta J = T_1$
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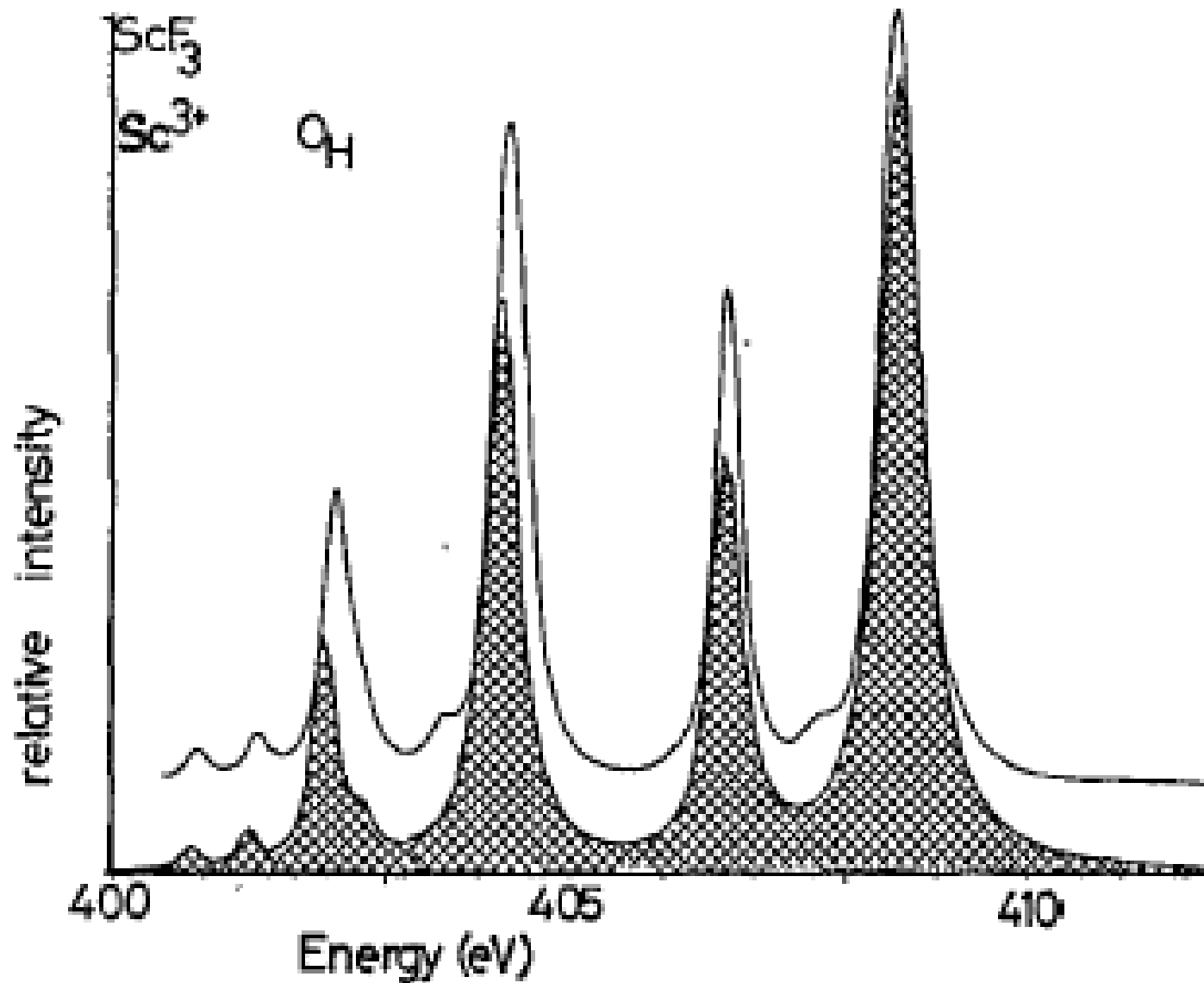
CFS

A_1

$2p^5 3d^1$

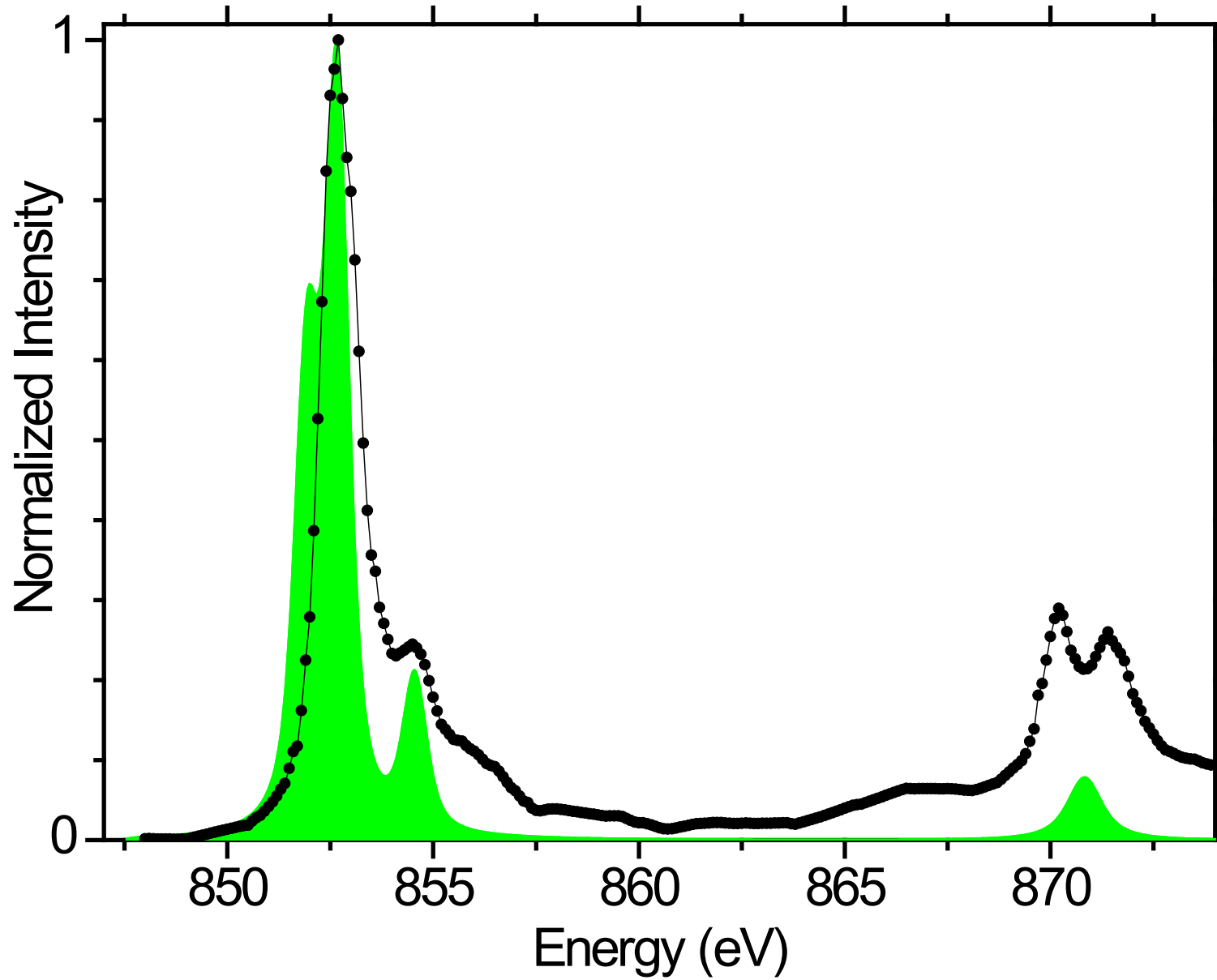


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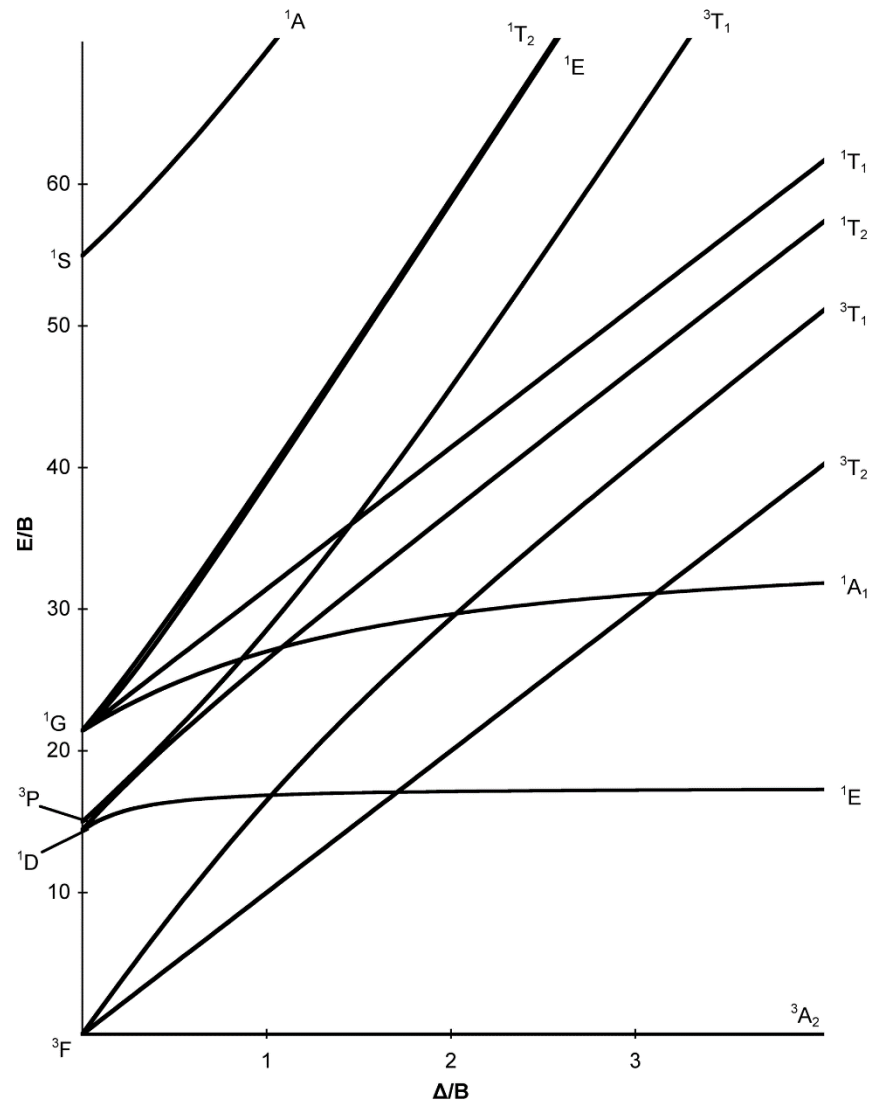
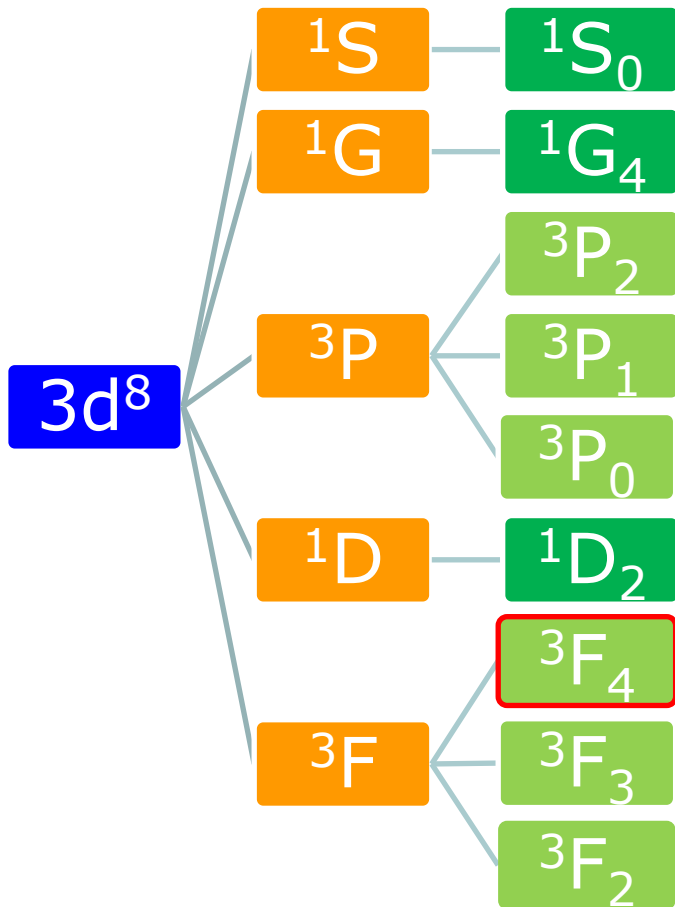


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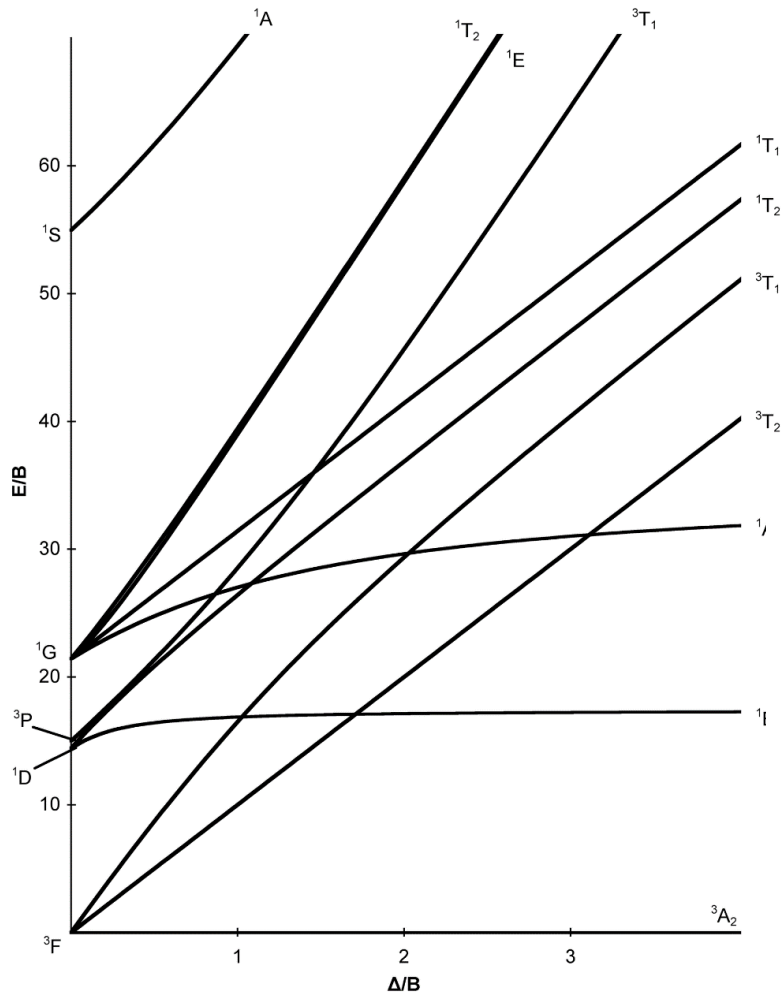
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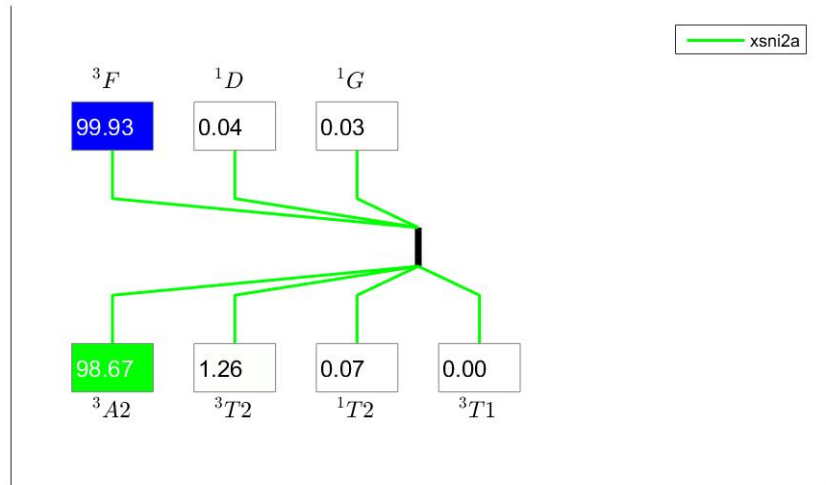
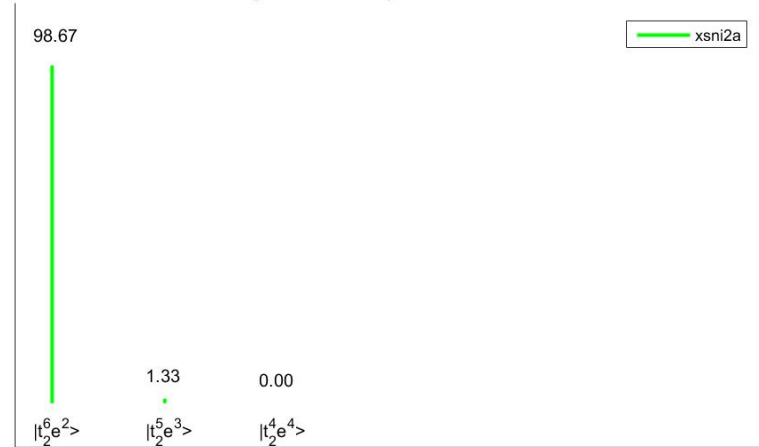
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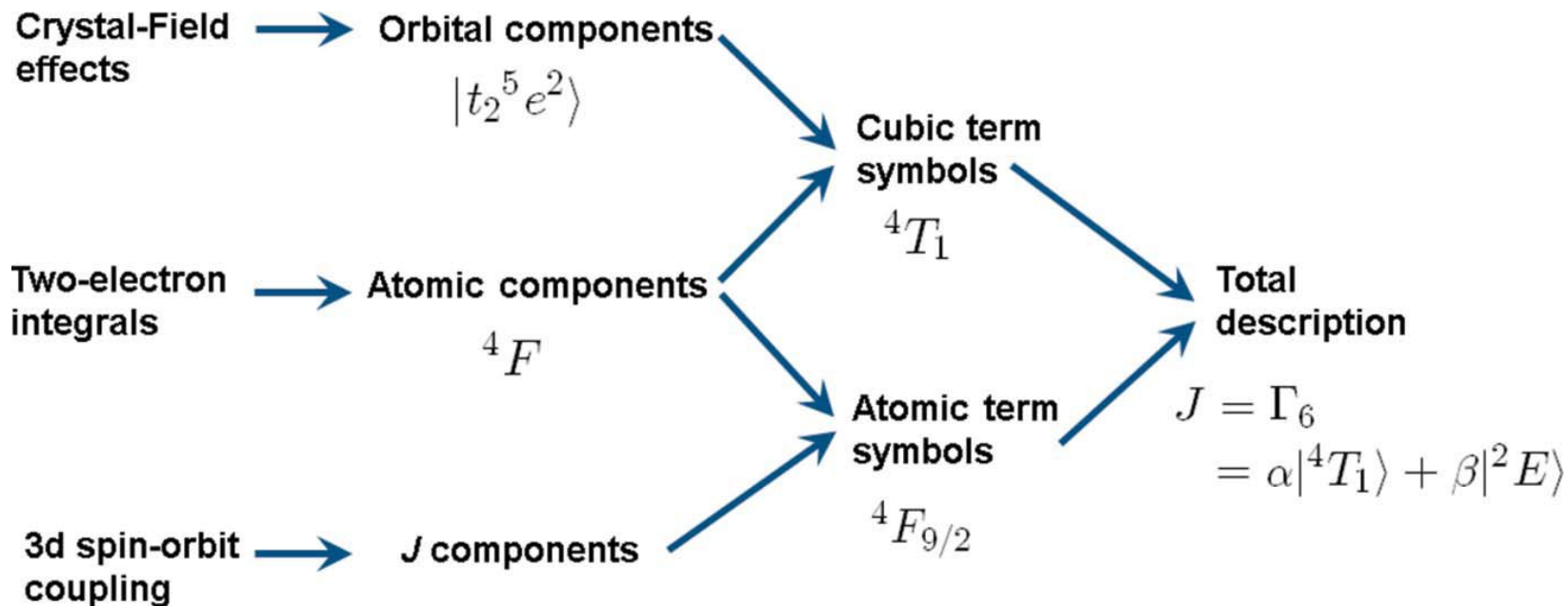


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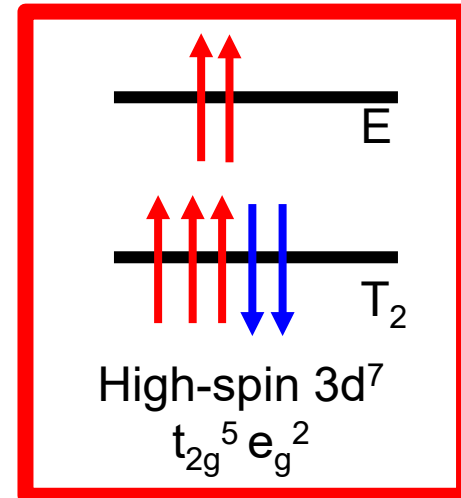
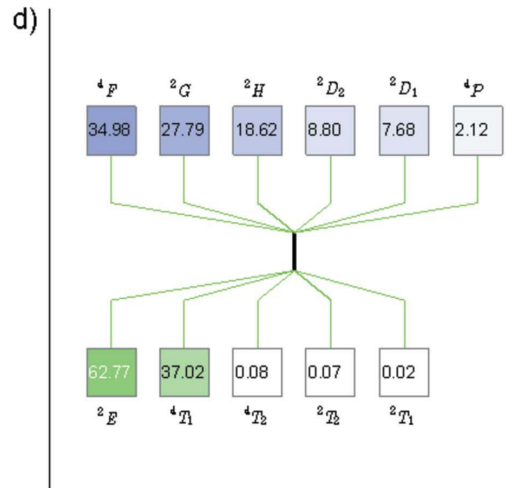
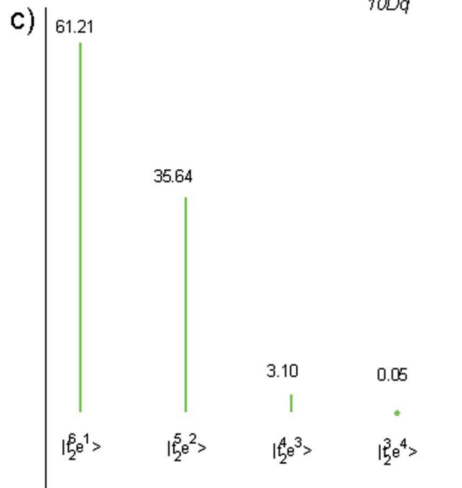
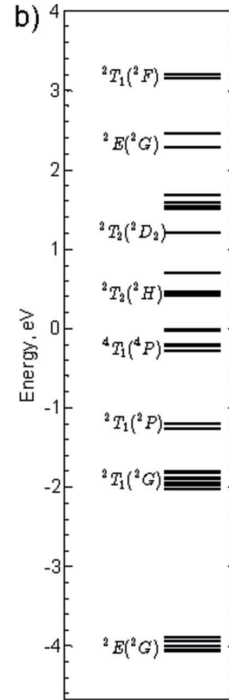
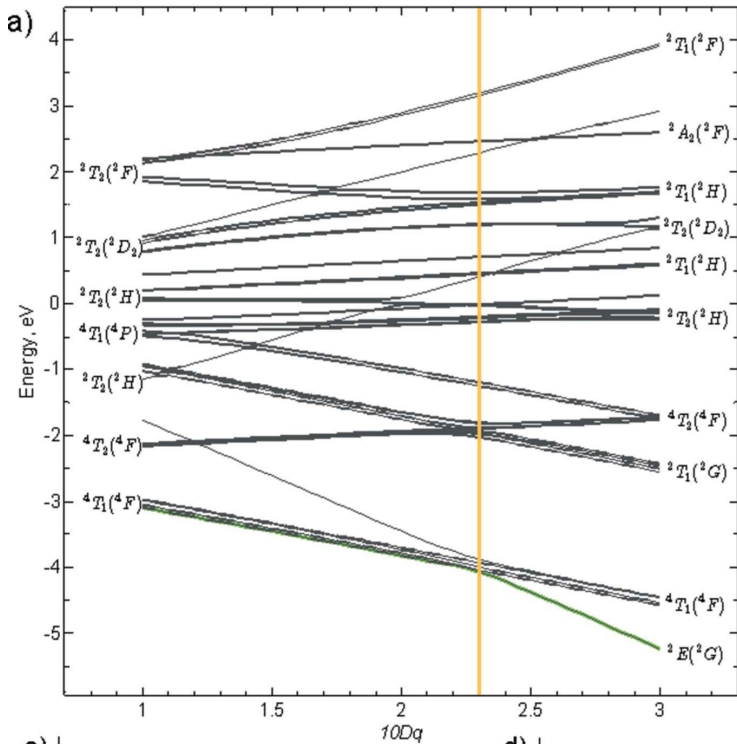


Symmetry labels are labels; they are (almost) never exact.

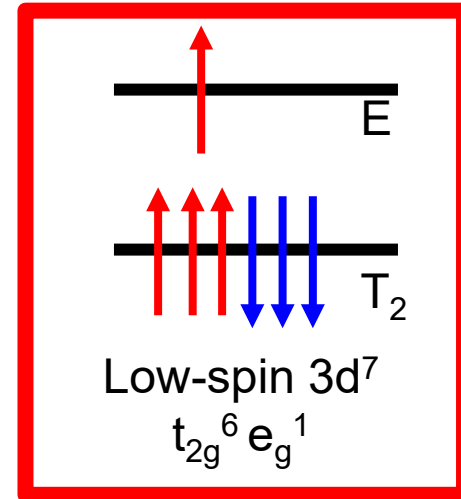
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40%



60%

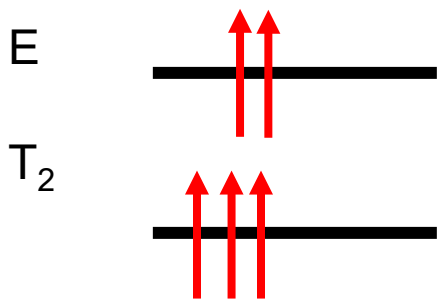
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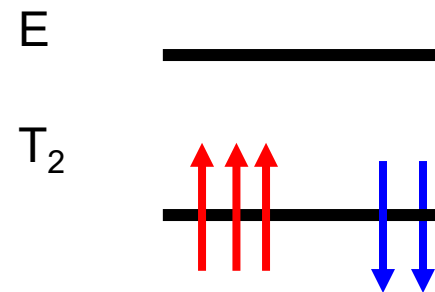
Calculate 2p XAS around 0.0 and shift to experiment

Crystal Field: High-spin or low-spin

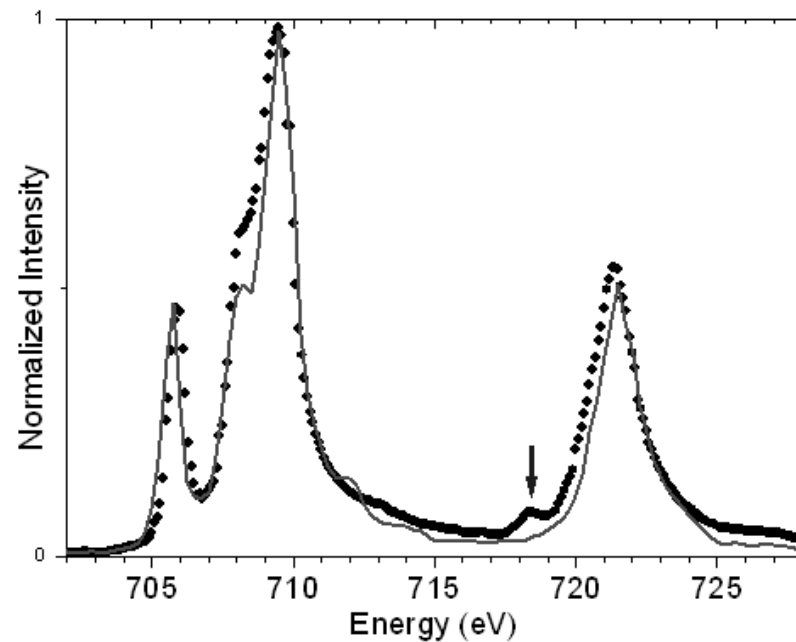
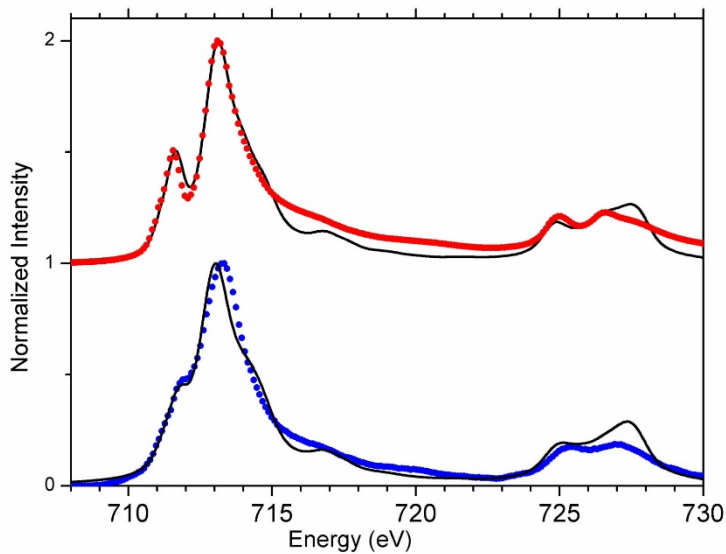
Large $10Dq$ will change the ground state to low-spin



High-spin $3d^5$

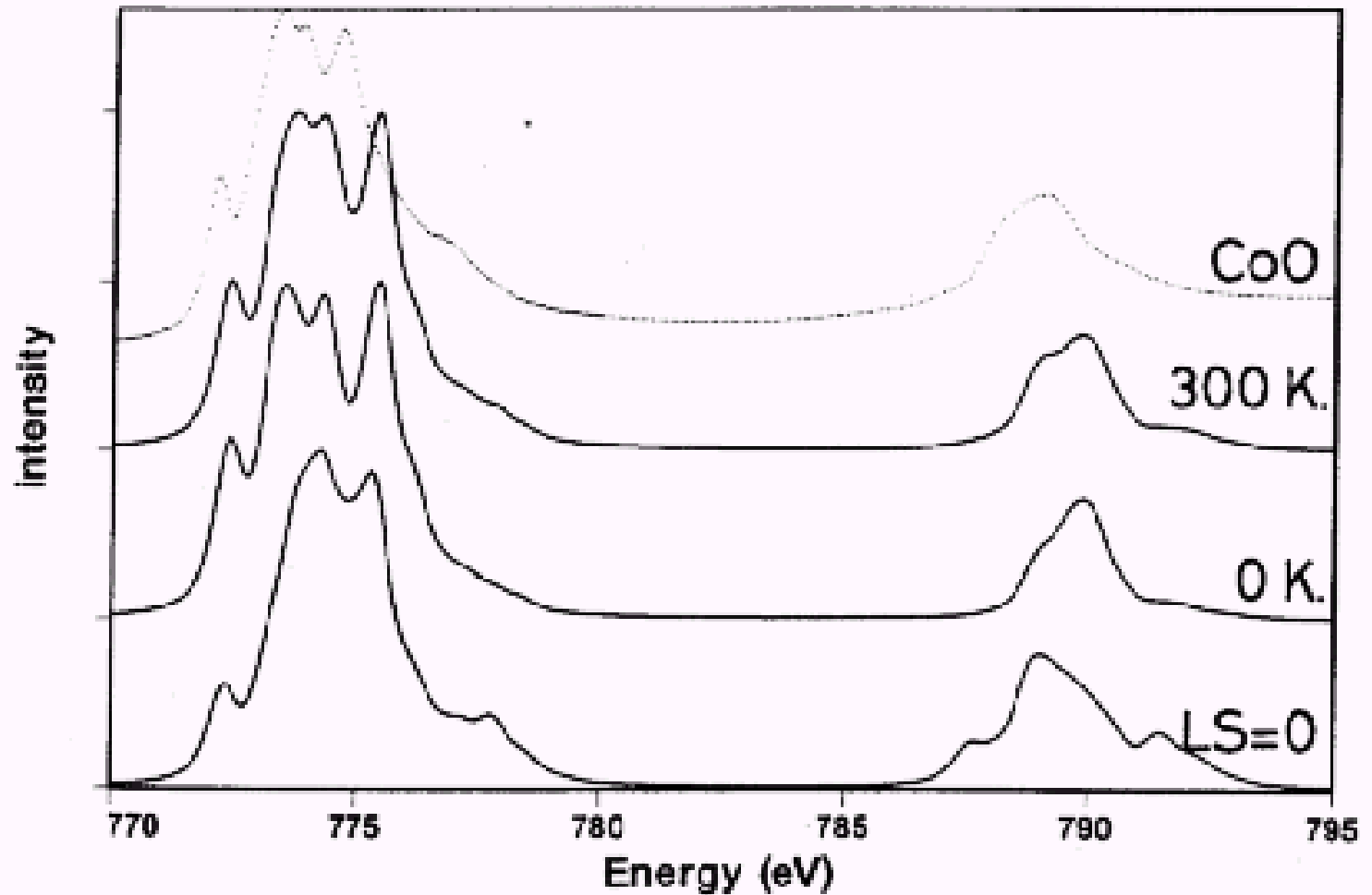


Low-spin $3d^5$

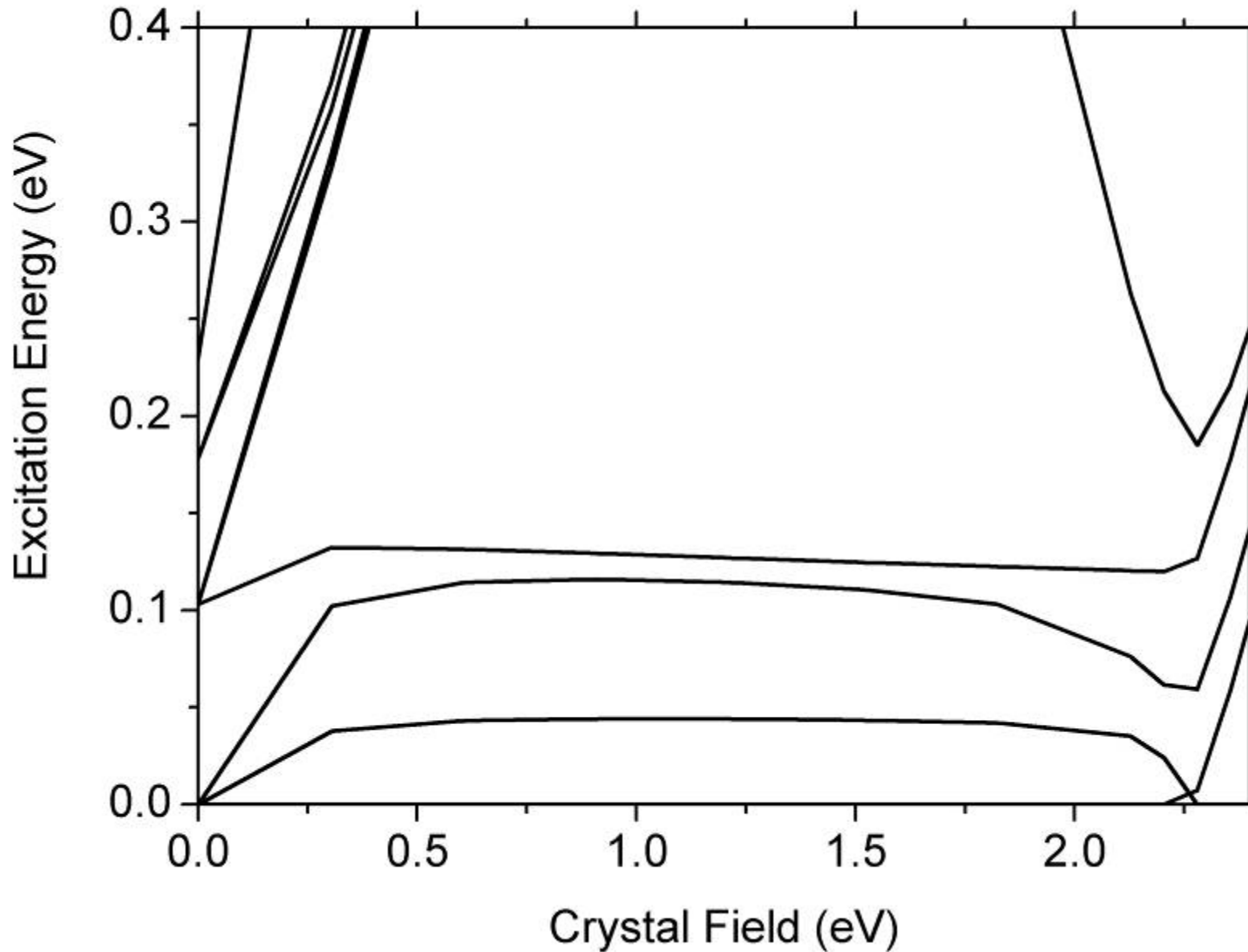


Crystal Field: Effect of 3d spin-orbit coupling

Spin-orbit coupling important for T_1 and T_2 symmetry ground states ($3d^1$, $3d^2$, $3d^6$, $3d^7$), for example Fe^{2+} and Co^{2+}



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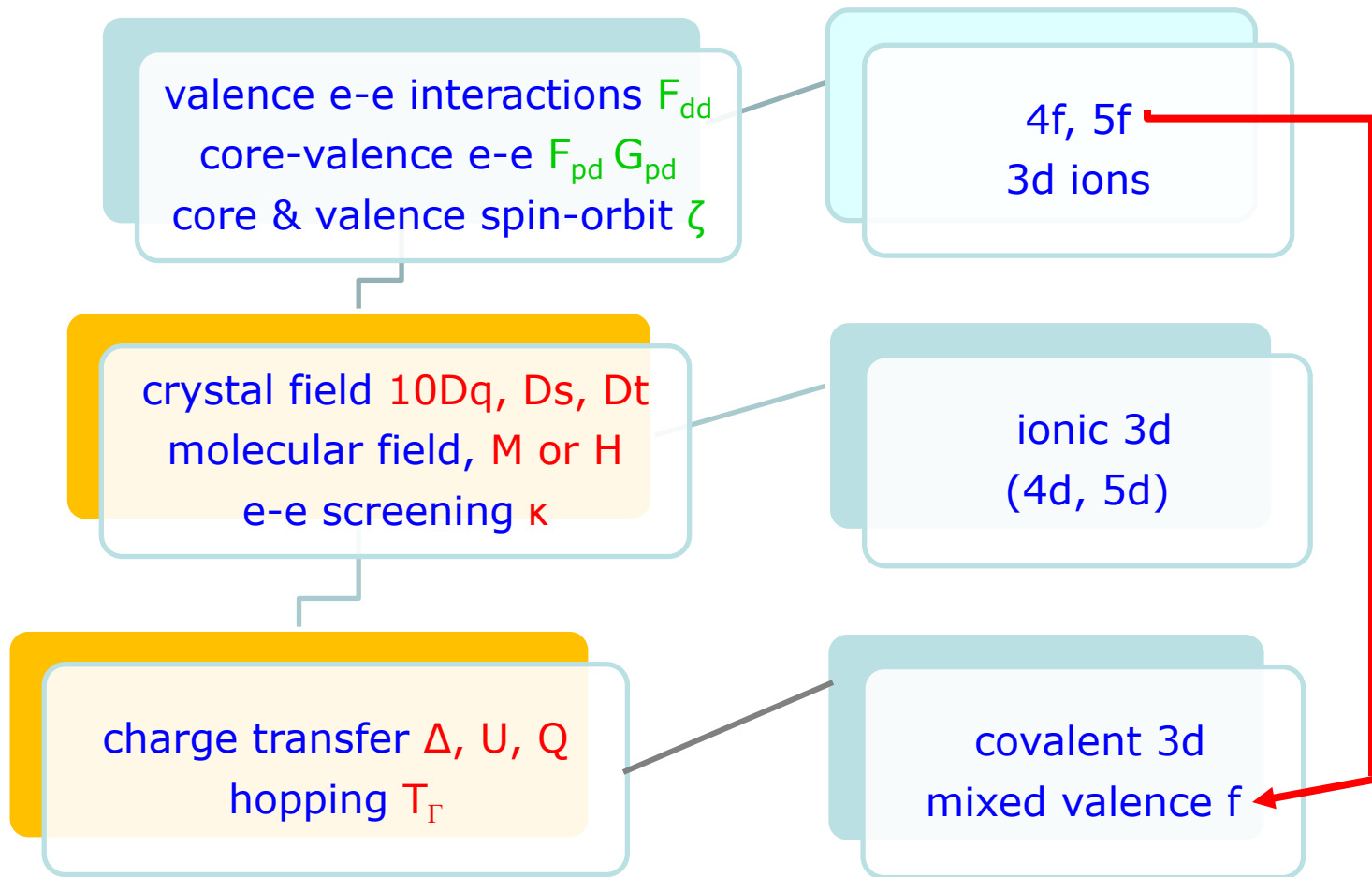
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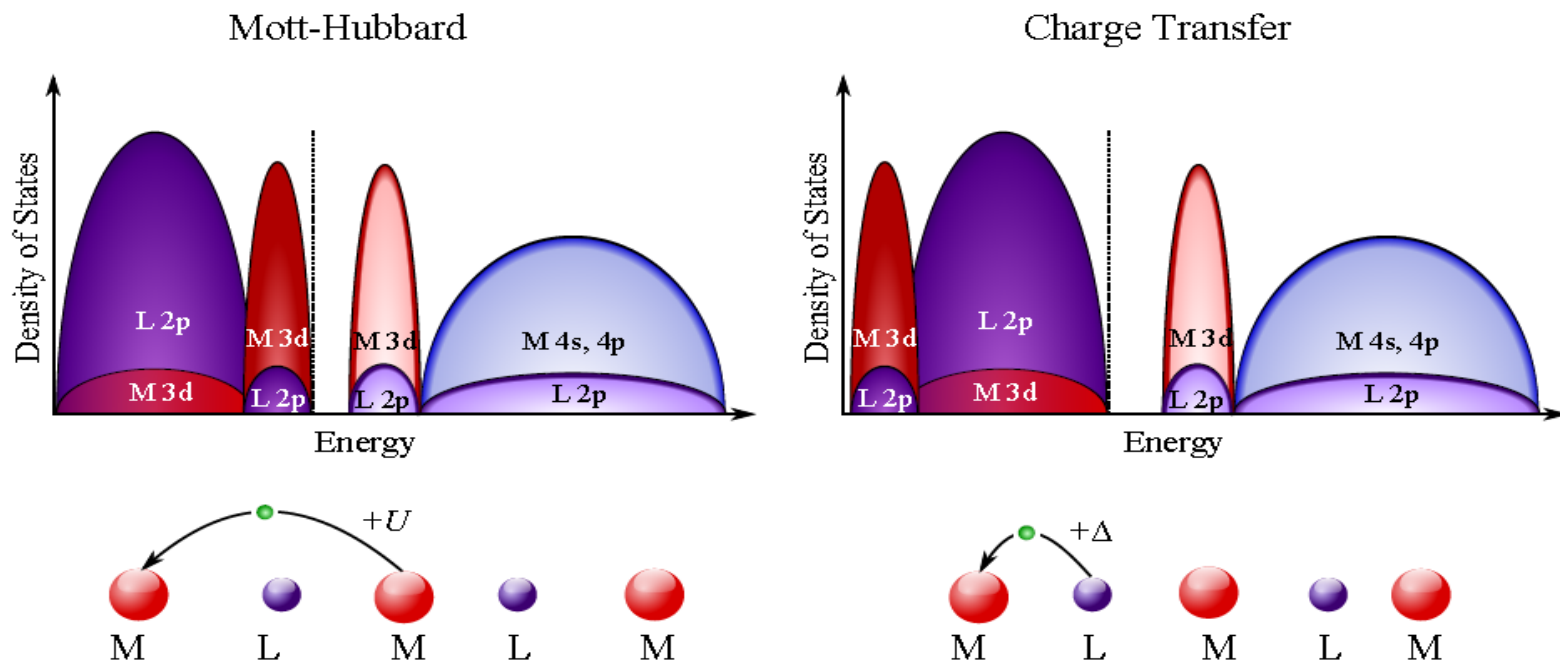
BONDING

charge transfer Δ , U , Q
hopping T_{Γ}

covalent 3d
mixed valence f



Charge transfer effects



Hubbard U for a $3d^8$ ground state:

$$U = E(3d^7) + E(3d^9) - E(3d^8) - E(3d^8)$$

Ligand-to-Metal Charge Transfer (LMCT):

$$\Delta = E(3d^9 \underline{L}) - E(3d^8)$$

Charge transfer effects

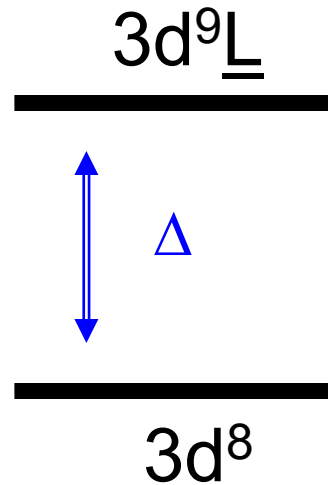
Main screening mechanism in XAS of oxides:
Ligand-to-metal charge transfer

Charge transfer energy Δ is important for XAS

Hubbard U is NOT important for XAS spectral shape

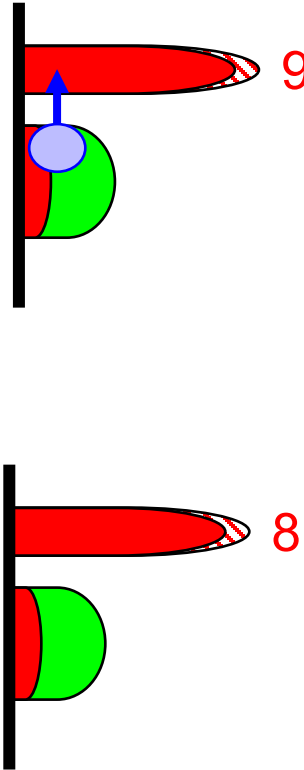
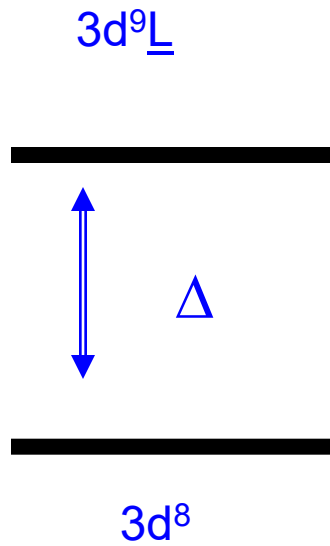
transition metal oxides

- Ground state: $3d^8 + 3d^9\bar{L}$
- Energy of $3d^9\bar{L}$: Charge transfer energy Δ



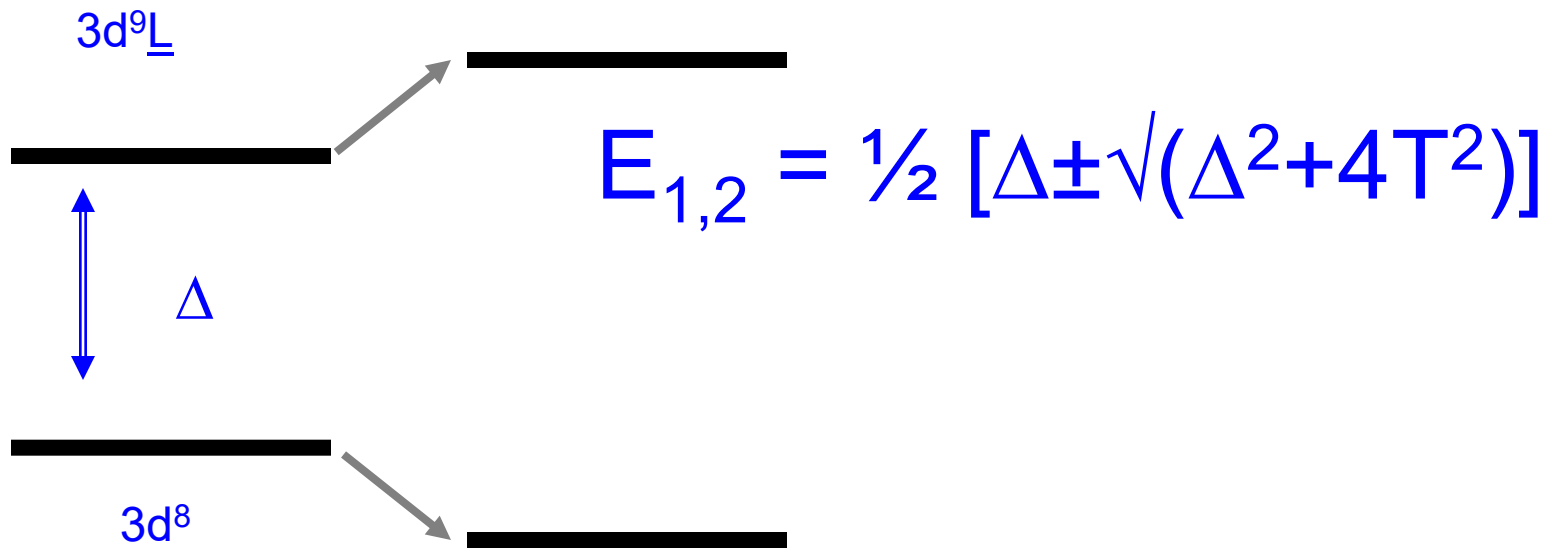
Ground State

Charge Transfer Effects



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$$H_{mix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & T_j \\ T_j & \Delta \end{bmatrix}.$$



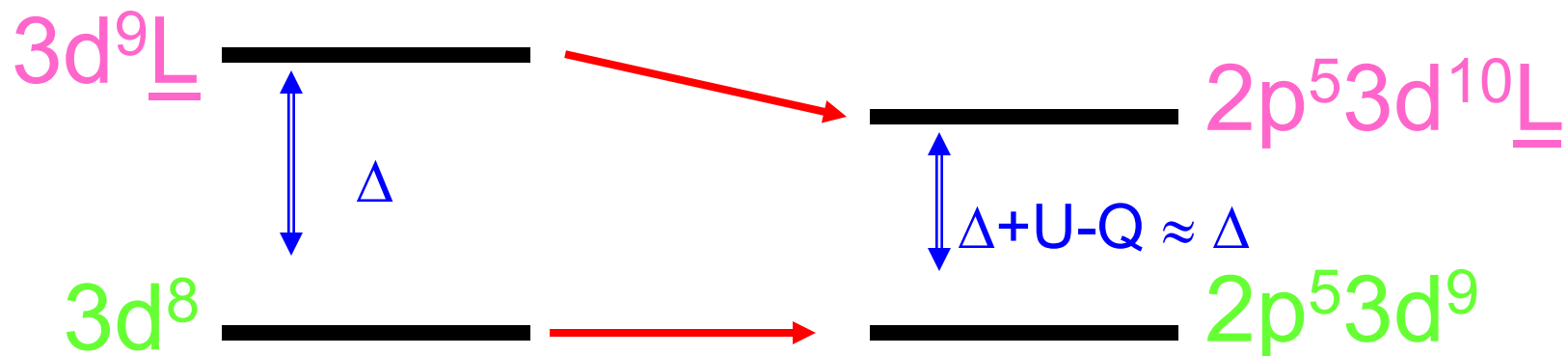
$$\Delta=2 \text{ and } T=1$$

$$E_{1,2} = \frac{1}{2} [2 \pm \sqrt{2^2 + 4}] = 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

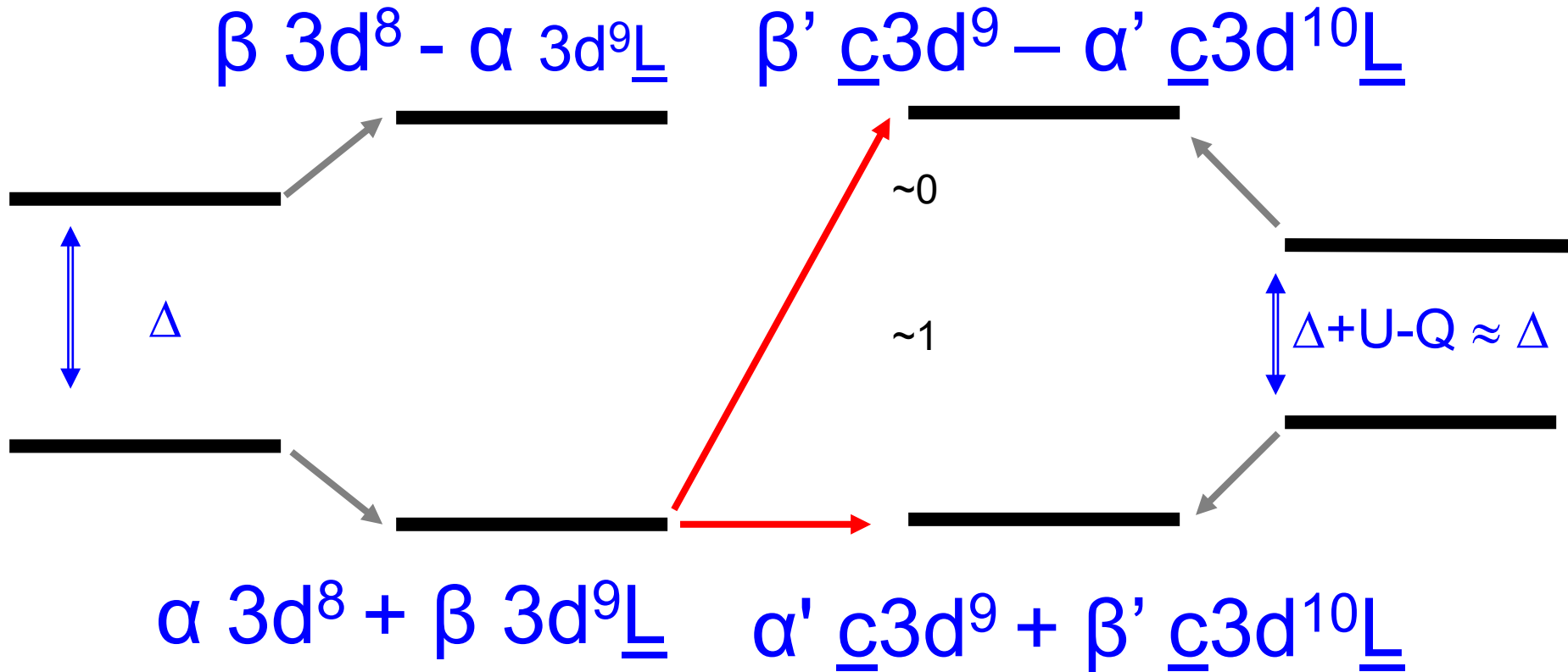
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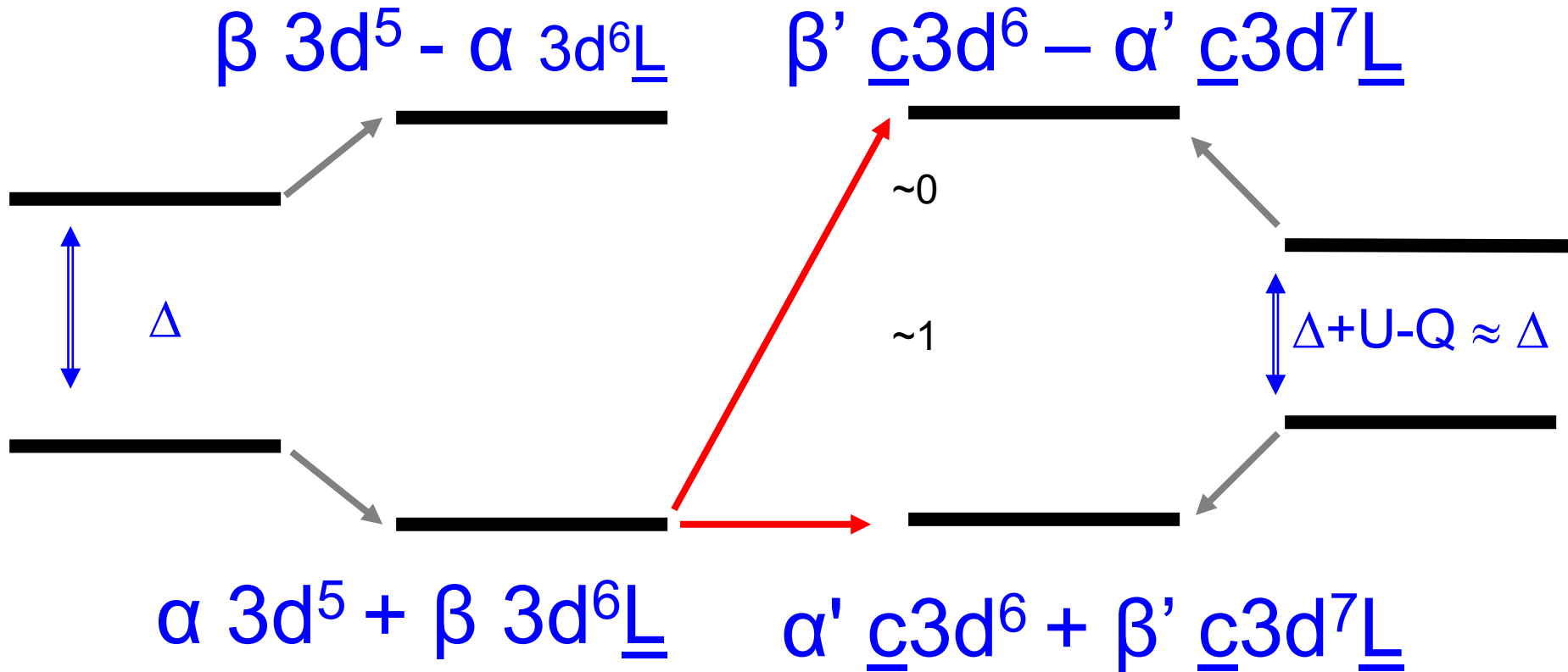
Charge transfer effects



Intensity bonding combination:
 $\alpha \approx \alpha'$

$$[\alpha \alpha' + \beta \beta']^2 \approx (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^2 = 1$$

Charge transfer effects



Intensity anti-bonding combination: $[\alpha \beta' - \beta \alpha']^2$

$$\alpha \approx \alpha'$$

$$\approx (\alpha\beta - \beta\alpha)^2 = 0$$

Charge transfer effects

Neutral experiments are self-screened

XAS, optical, EPR, EELS, RIXS

>> small screening satellites

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Ionising experiments are not self-screened

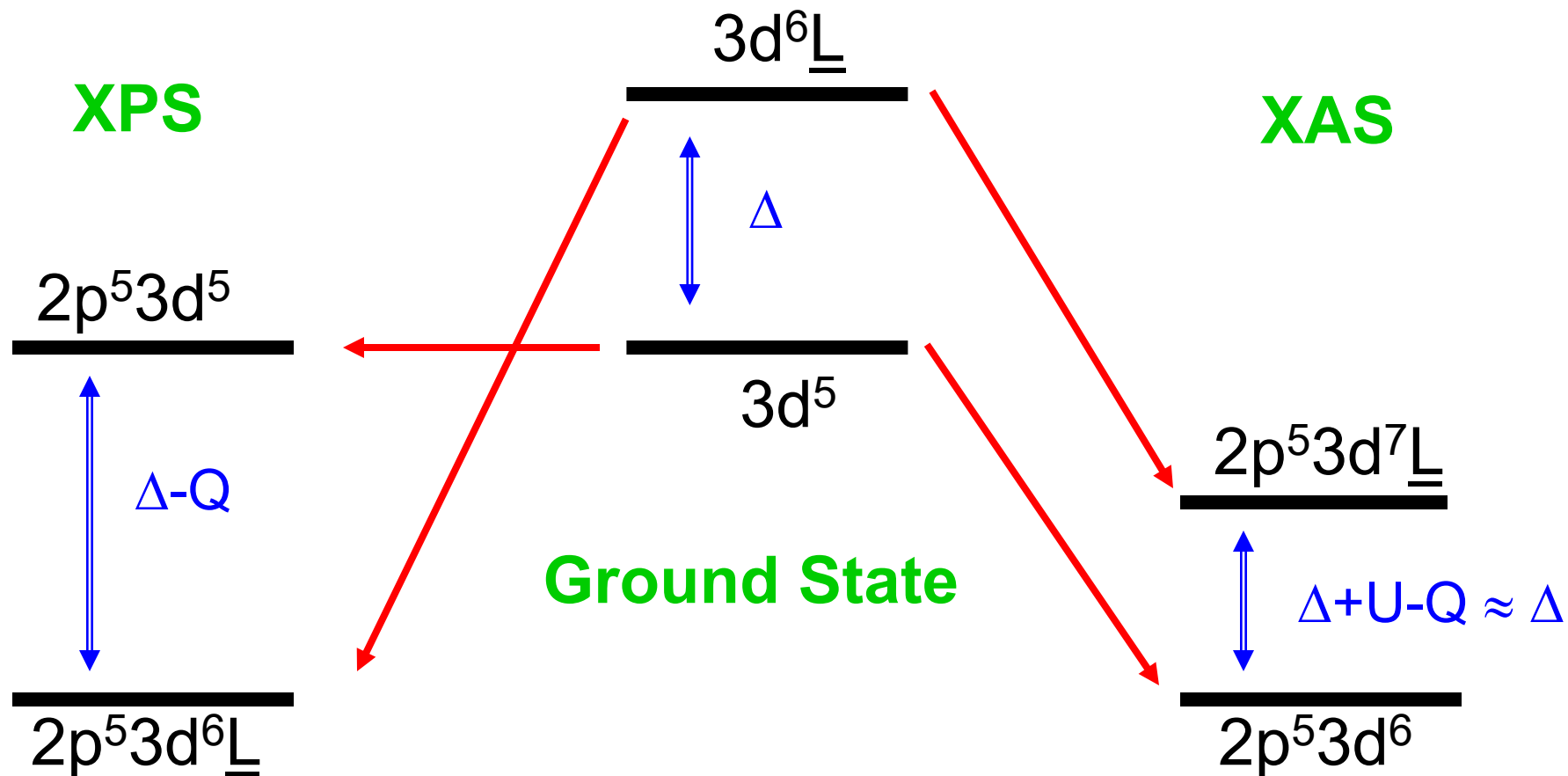
XPS, Auger, (metal K edge XAS)

>> large screening > large satellites

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Charge transfer effects in XAS and XPS

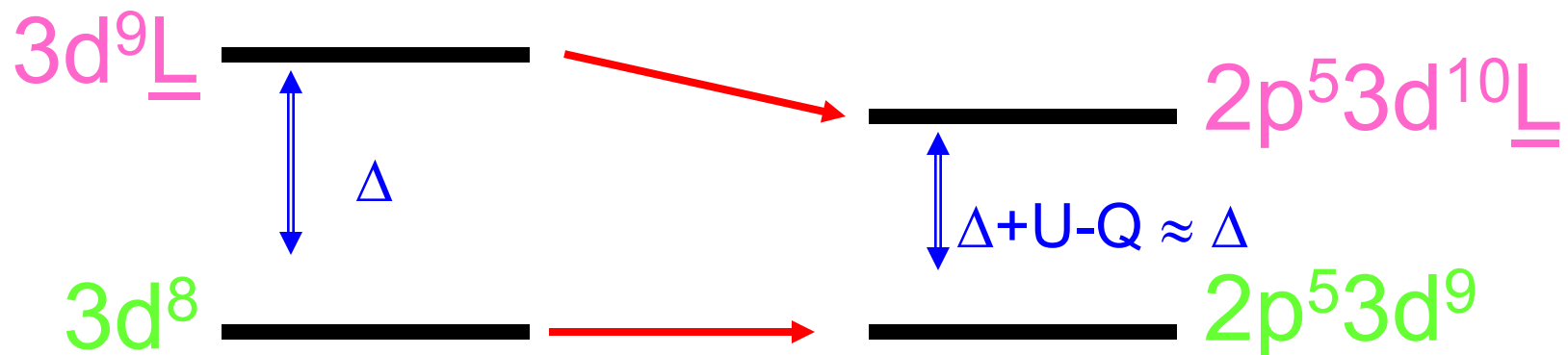
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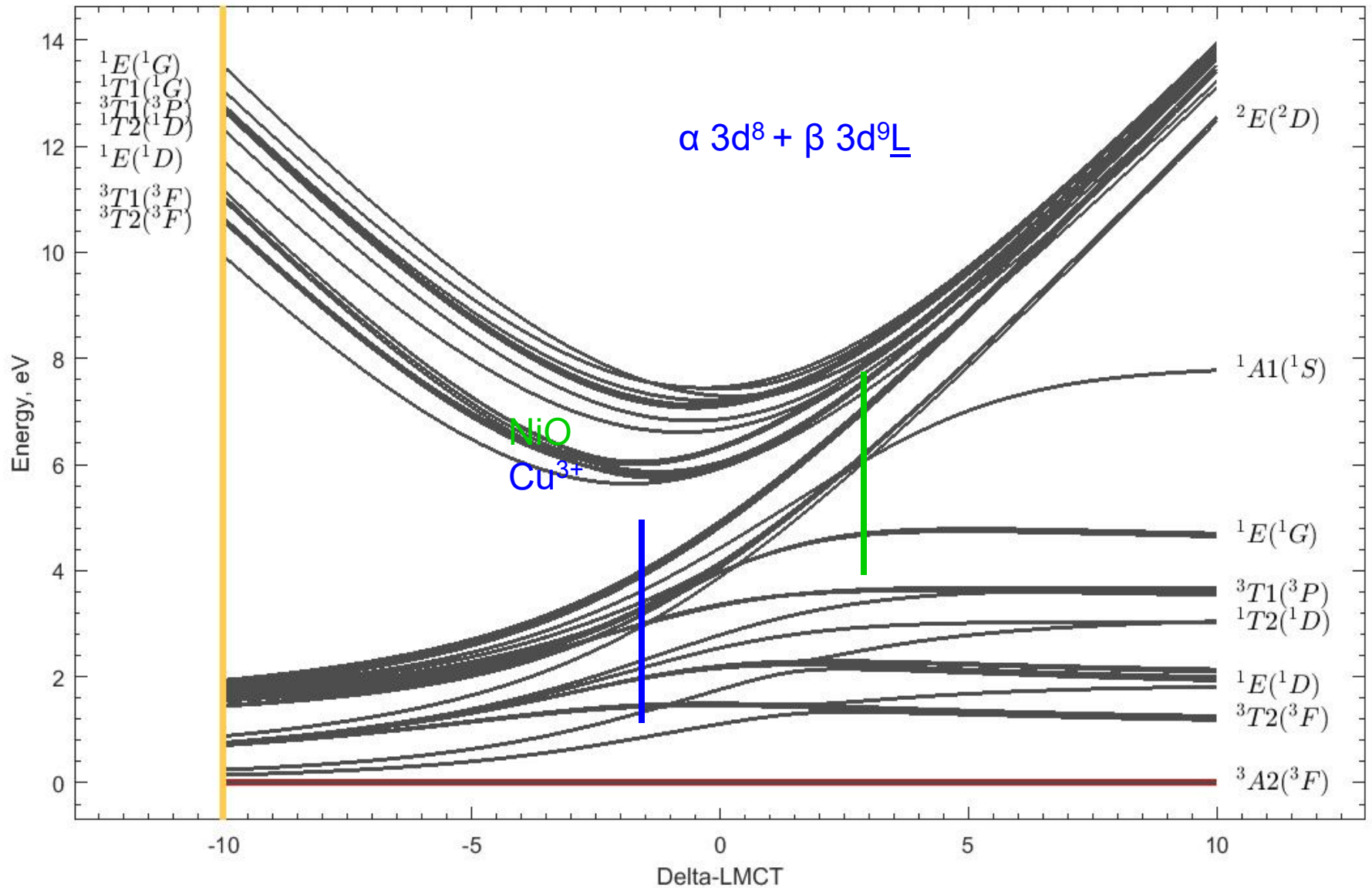
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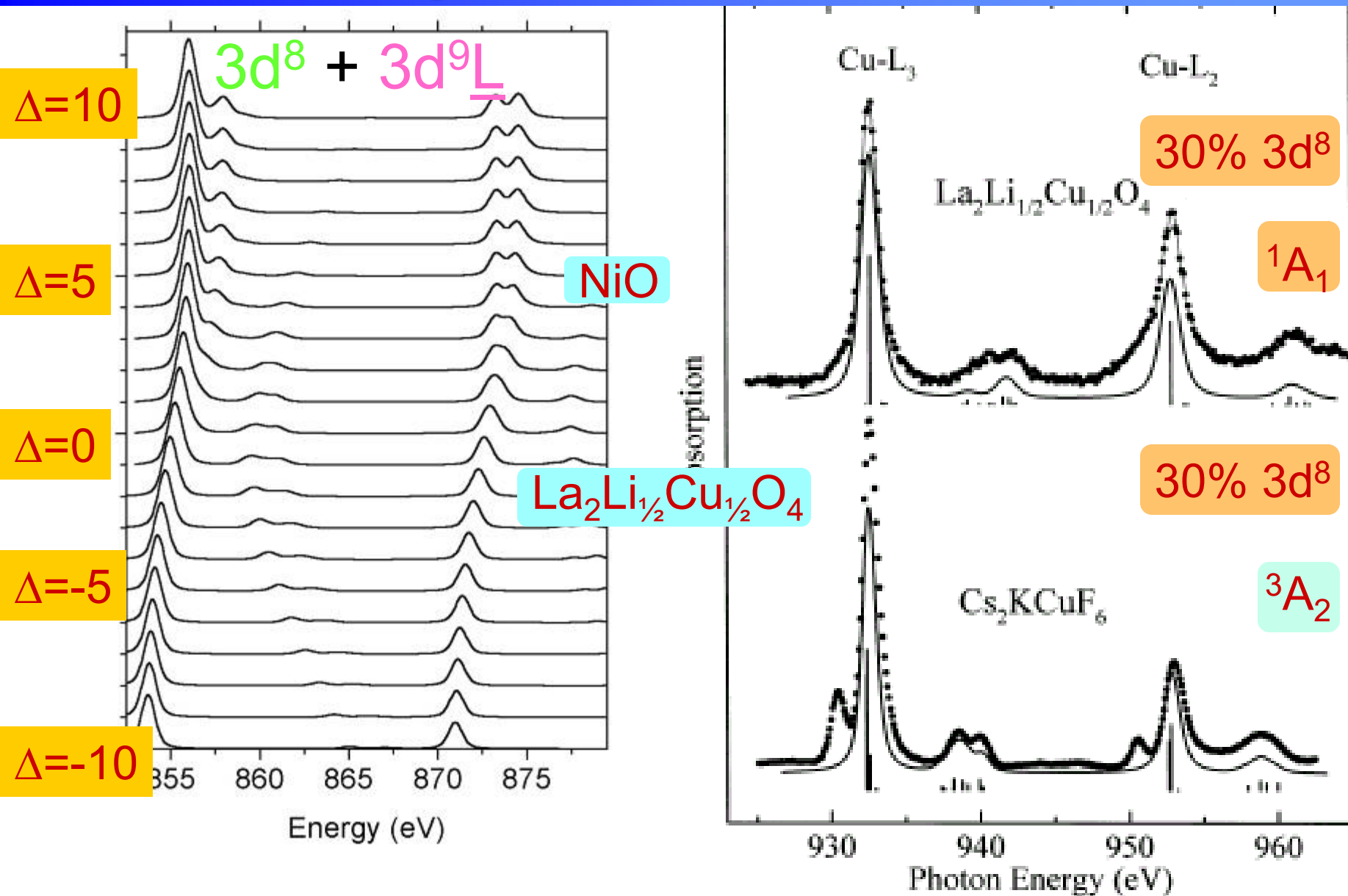
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Tanabe-Sugano diagrams with charge transfer

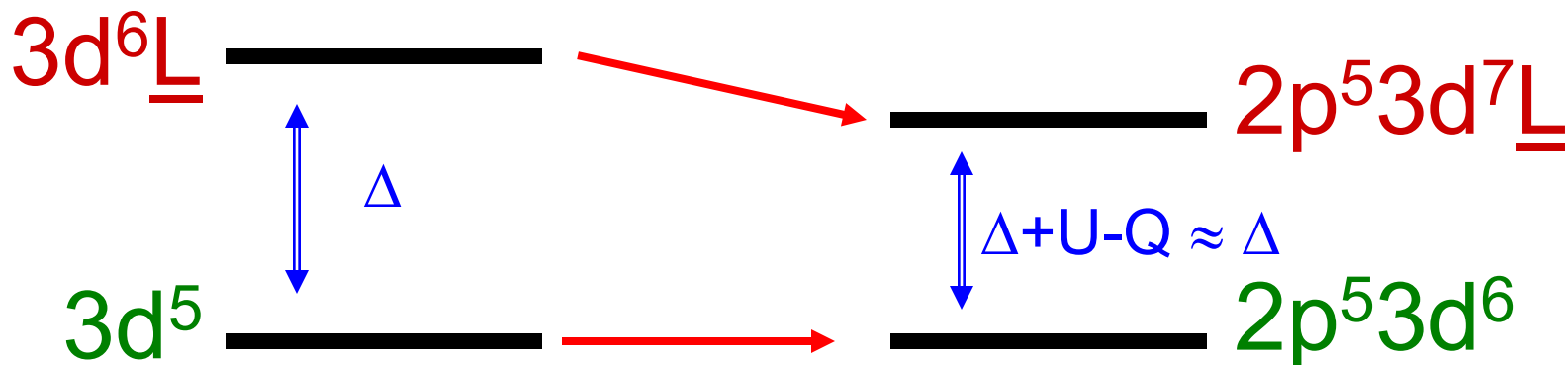
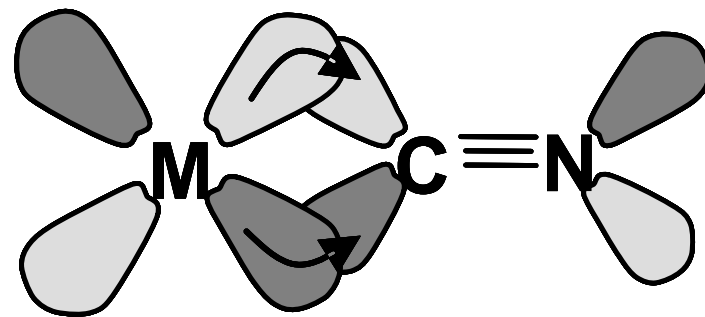
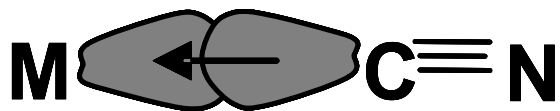


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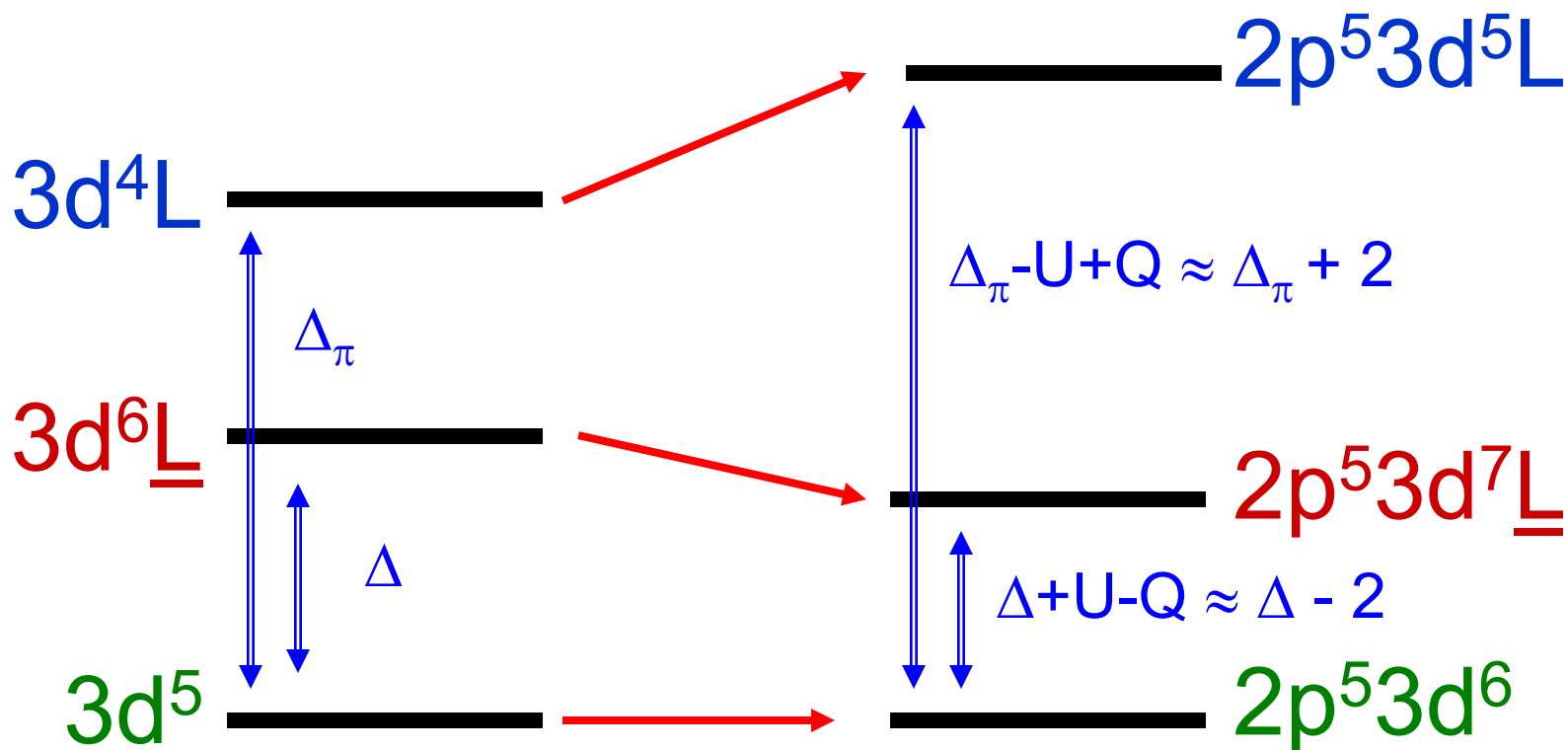
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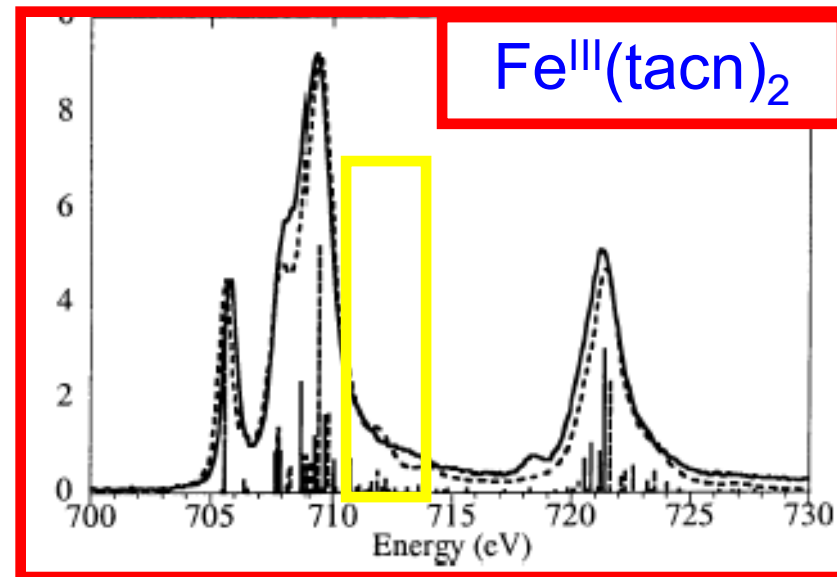
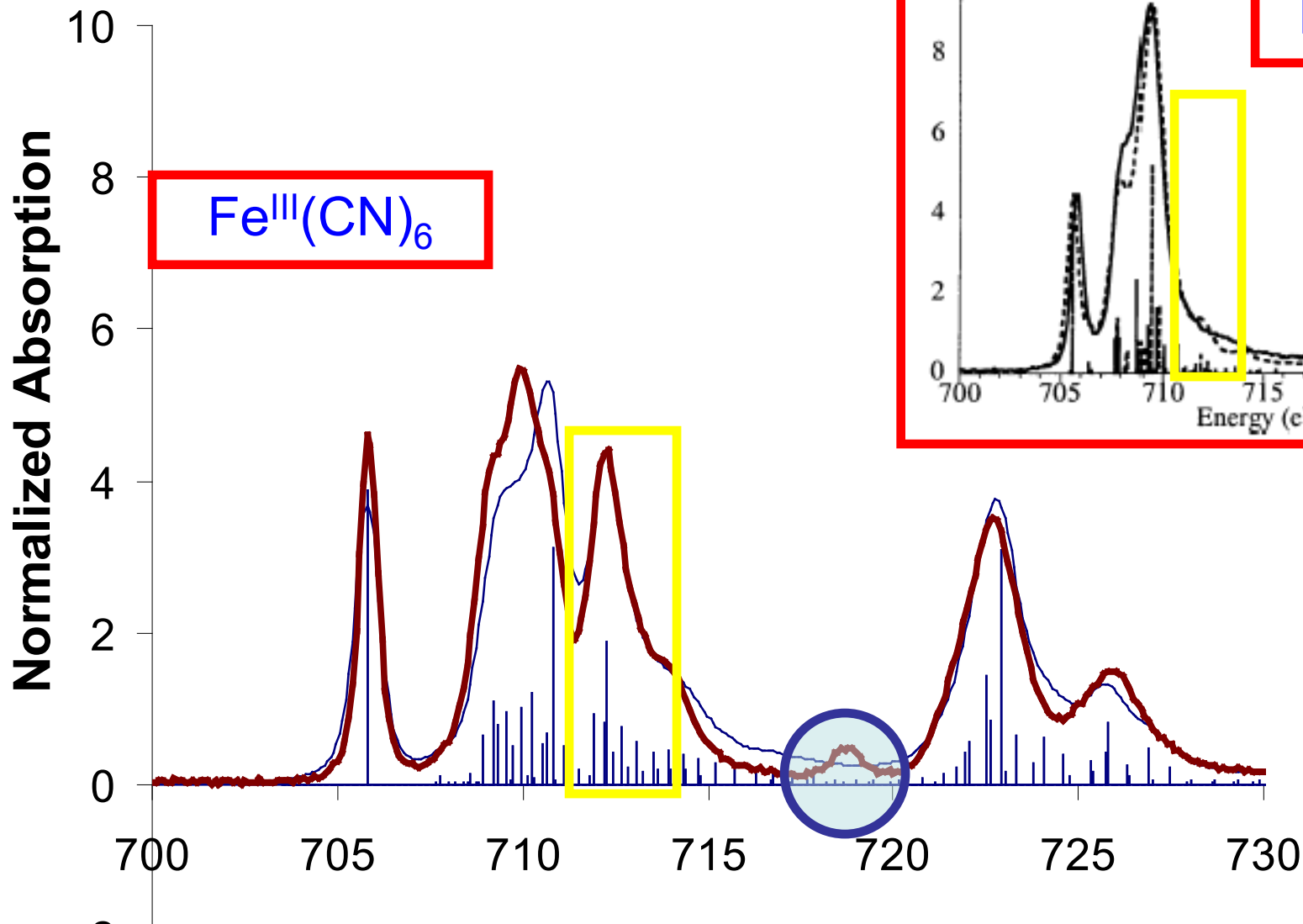
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2p XAS first-principle codes

SOLIDS

- Band structure multiplet (Haverkort, Green, Hariki)
- Cluster DFT multiplet (Ikeno, Ramanantoanina, Delley)

MOLECULES

- Restricted Active Space CI (Odelius, Kuhn, Lundberg)
- Restricted Open-shell CI + Multi Reference (Neese)

TDDFT/BSE

- *Time-Dependent DFT (Joly)*
- *Bethe-Salpeter (Rehr, Shirley)*
- *Multi-channel Multiple-scattering (Kruger)*