

UK High-End Computing Consortium for X-ray Spectroscopy

HPC-CONEXS

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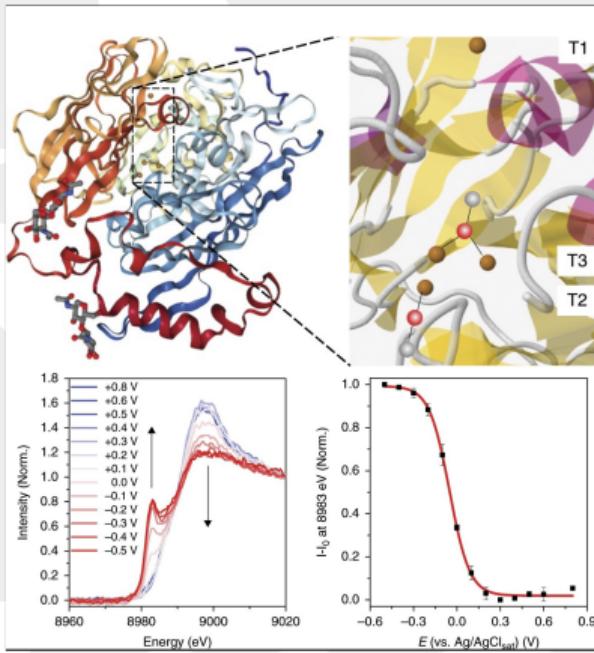
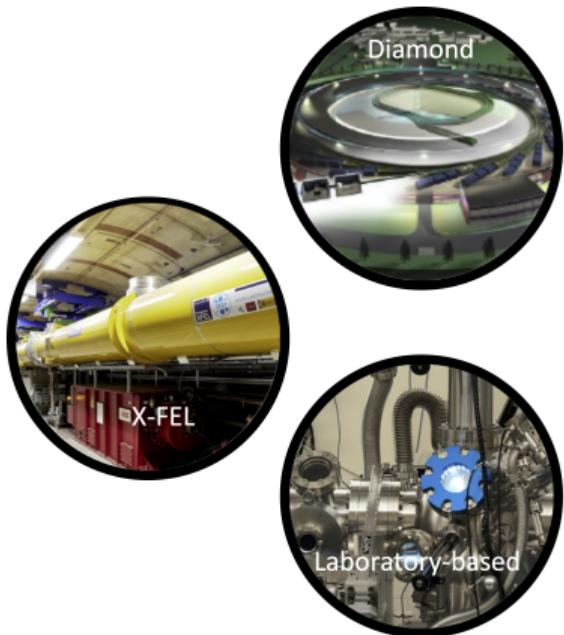
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X-ray Spectroscopy



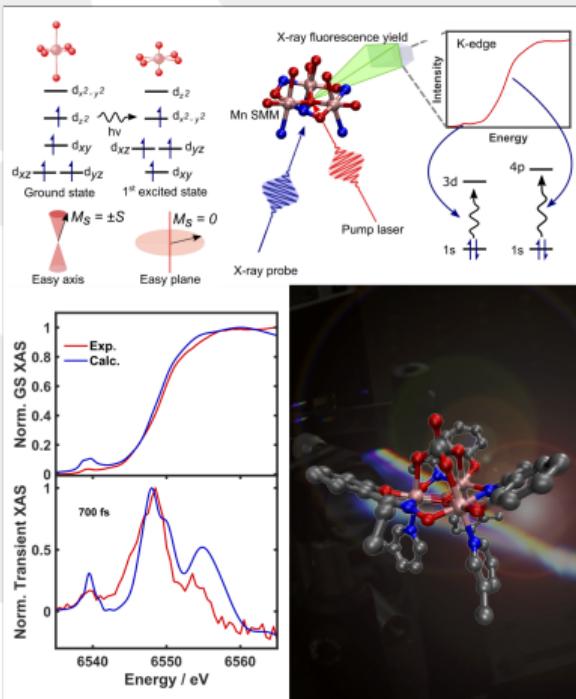
- X-ray spectroscopy probes the nuclear, electronic and spin structure of matters in a full range of sample environments.
- Proliferation of 3rd-generation light sources as well as laboratory-based approaches and X-ray Free Electron Lasers (X-FELs) the capability and accessibility has increased dramatically during the last decade.
- Brings into focus the key challenge: *How can we accurately and efficiently interpret the detailed information contained within each spectra?*
- How can we lead the community ensuring the best practice for the interpretation and analysis of experimental observable?

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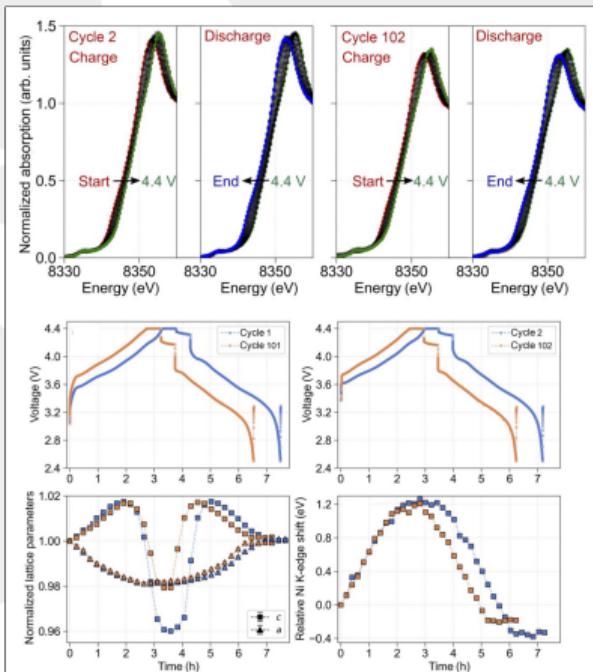
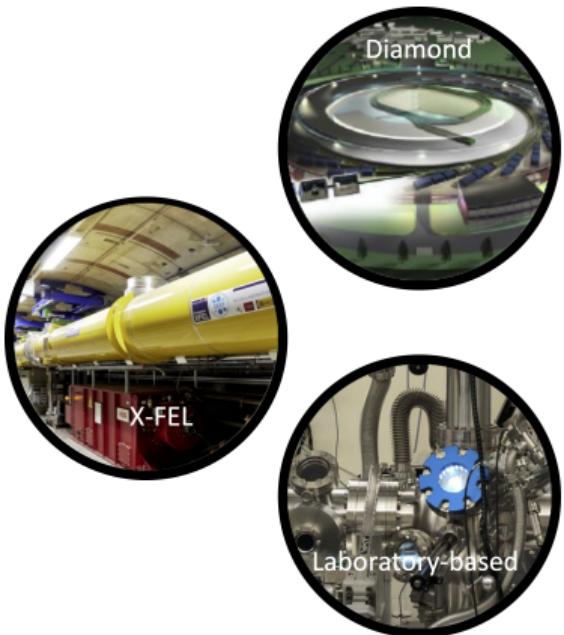
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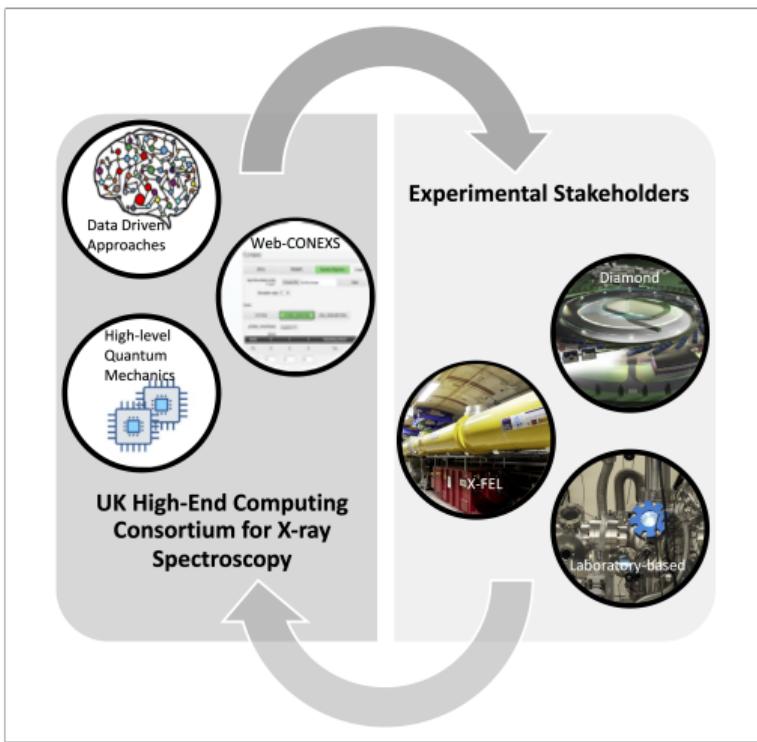
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HPC-CONEXS Objectives



- **Development of First Principles Methods**

- ▶ Development of new scalable first-principles quantum-mechanical methodologies.
- ▶ Adaptation of existing codes for modern computer architectures to enhance performance
- ▶ Implementation of automation and analysis techniques to streamline workflows

- **Development of Machine Learning Models**

- ▶ Development of new machine learning approaches to enhance data interpretation.
- ▶ Analysis of machine learning methodologies to enhance interpretability and to quantify uncertainties.
- ▶ Development and analysis of advanced training sets for machine learning techniques.

- **Experiment-Theory Collaboration**

- ▶ Application of state-of-the-art techniques to collaborative theory/experiment investigations..
- ▶ Application of machine learning models to interpret complex data.

Beginning the journey to Archer2: web-CONEXS

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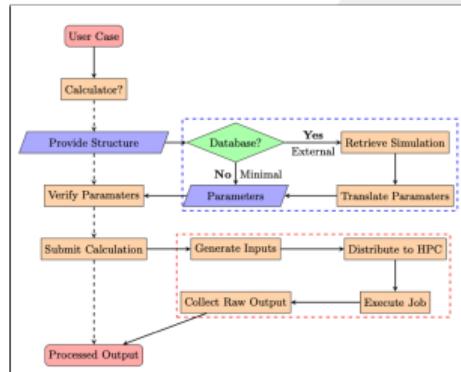
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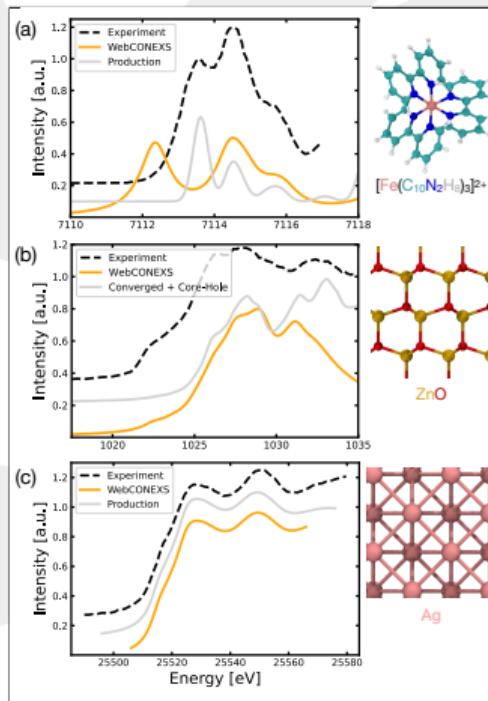
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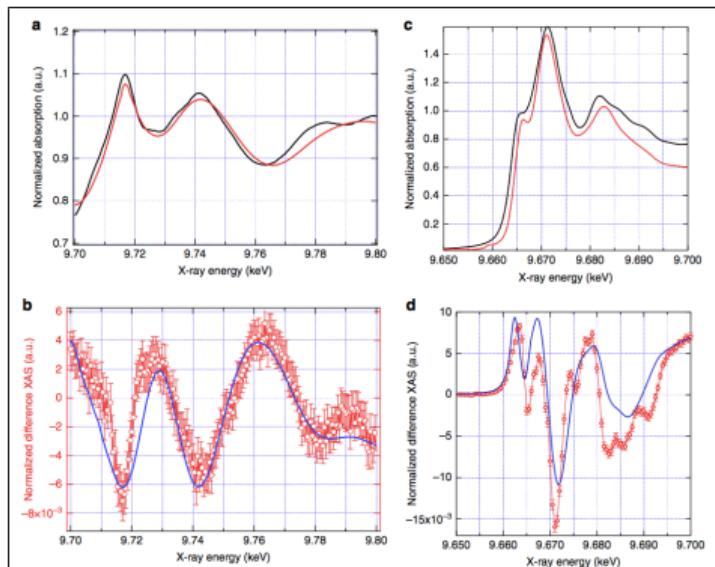


Establish easy to use tool, which can be begin analysis and training in computational spectroscopy.

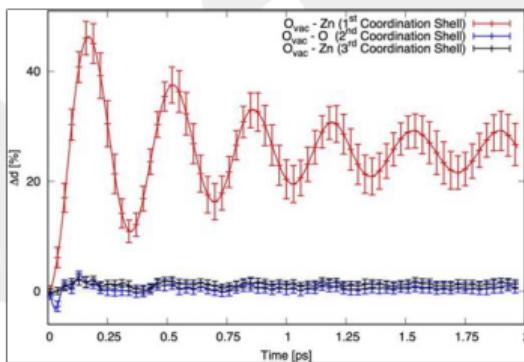
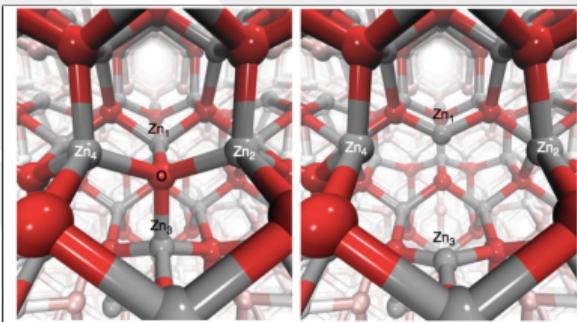


Probing hole trapping in ZnO nanoparticles

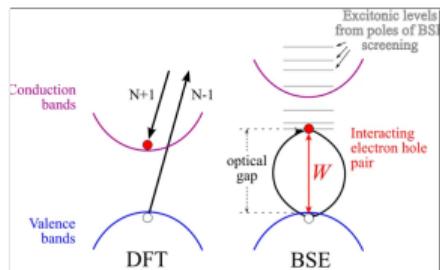
Time-resolved XANES probed structural dynamics after above band-gap excitation.



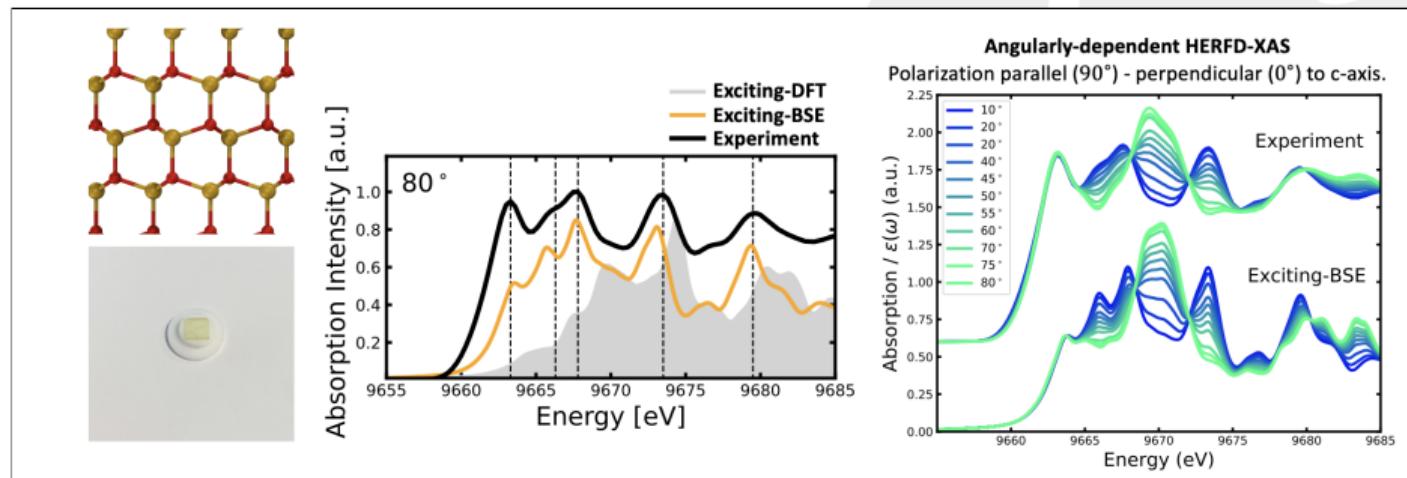
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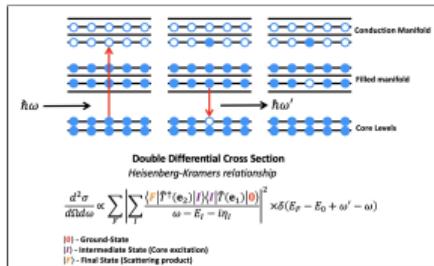
How can we improve simulations? (Joshua Elliott; Diamond Light Source)



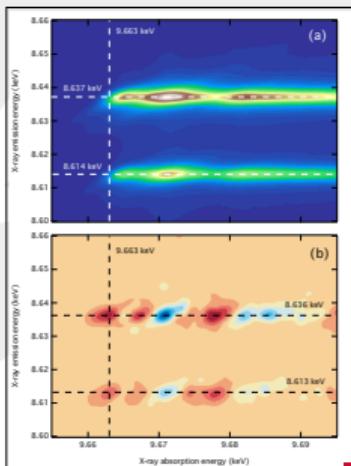
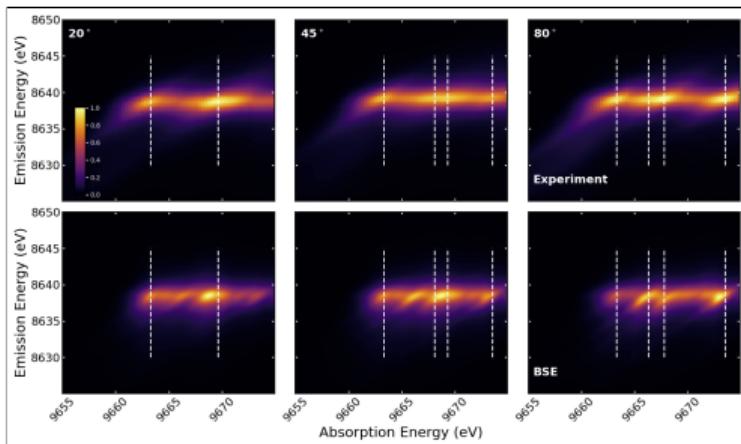
- ▶ Simulations Carried out using Exciting Code.
- ▶ Bethe-Salpeter Equation formalism provide significantly better agreement with the experiment.
- ▶ Fully account for changes associated with polarization of incident beam



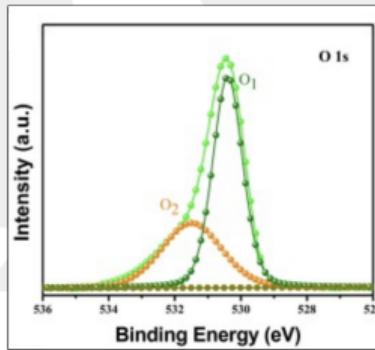
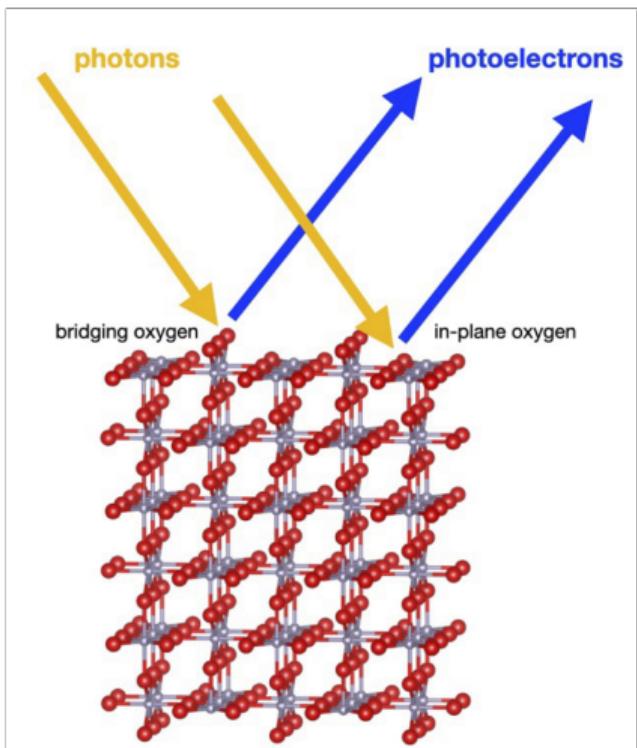
Beyond First-order Spectroscopy (Joshua Elliott; Diamond Light Source)



- ▶ Simulated RIXS maps correlate DFT ground state, BSE K-edge excited states and BSE L-edge excited states.
- ▶ Fully converged simulations require 58k BSE transitions at the K-edge and 121k BSE transitions at the L-edge.

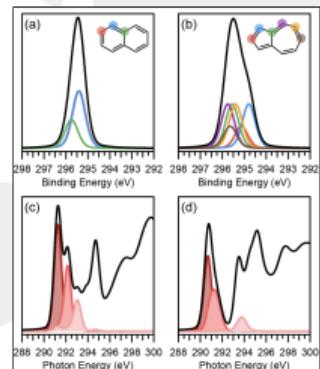
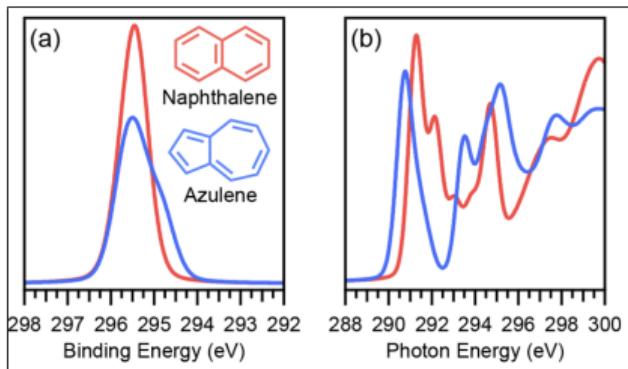
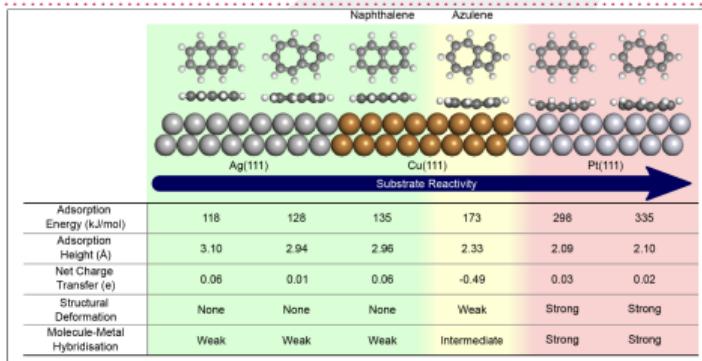


Accurate Calculation of Core Binding Energies (Johannes Lischner; Imperial)



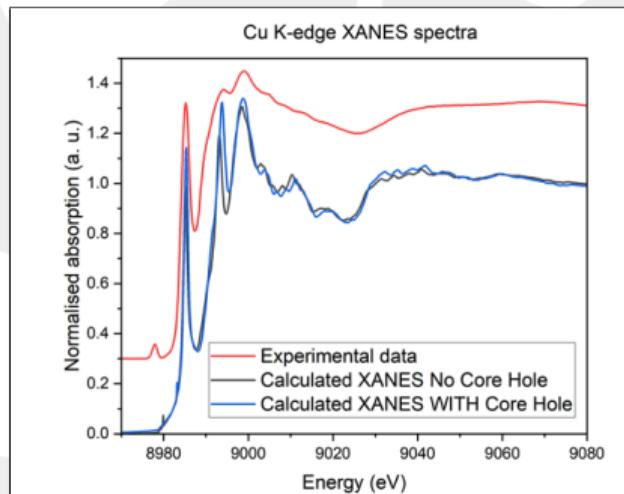
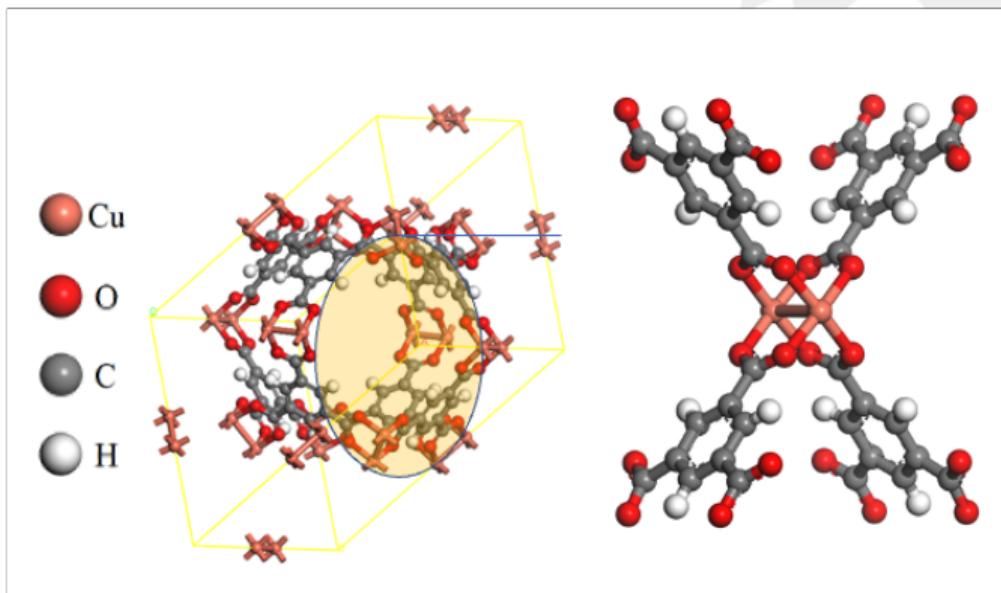
- SnO_2 is an important material for gas sensor applications. However, the microscopic mechanism by which adsorbed gas molecules modify the conductivity remains ill-understood.
- *Ab initio* calculations of core hole binding energies show that different oxygen species, such as bridging oxygen atoms or surface in-plane oxygen atoms, exhibit very different binding energies.

Characterizing Molecule-Metal Surface Chemistry (Reinhard Maurer; Warwick)

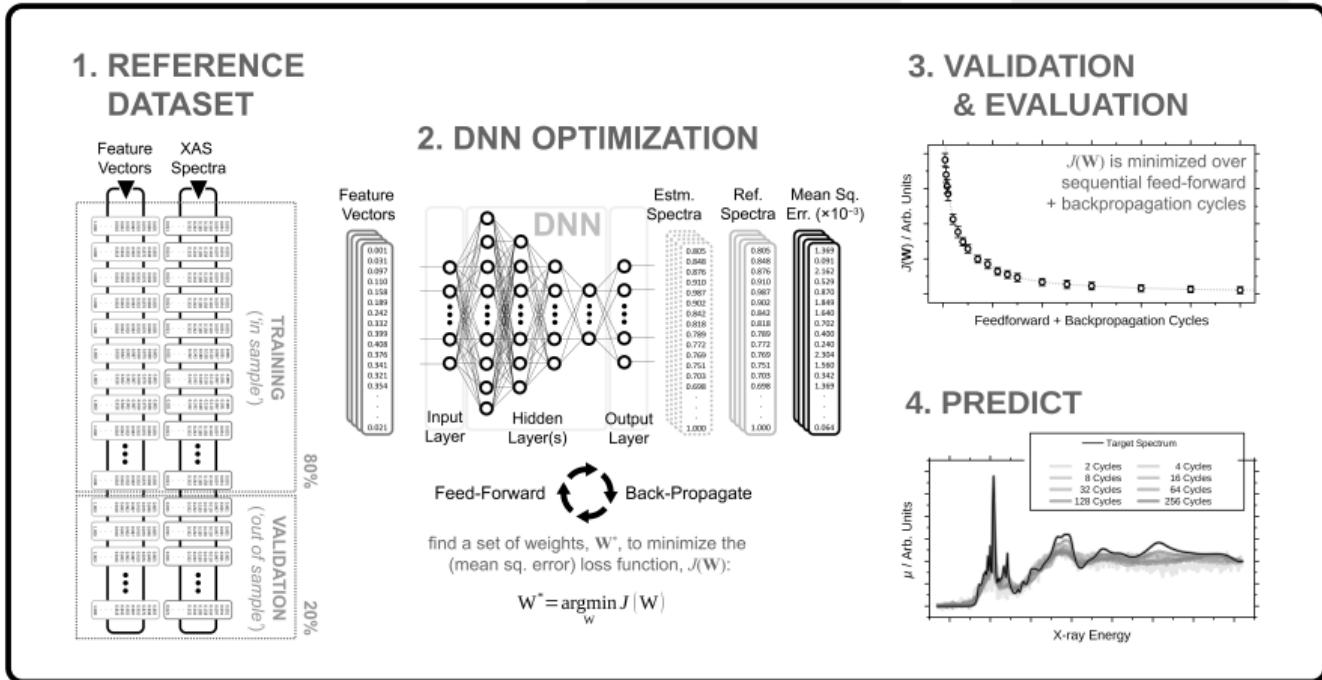


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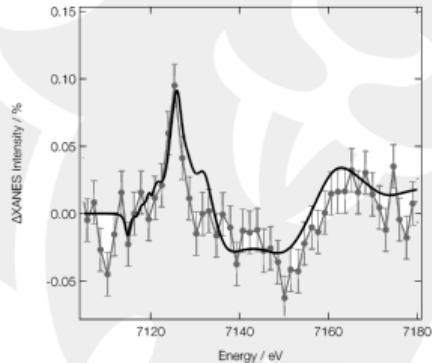
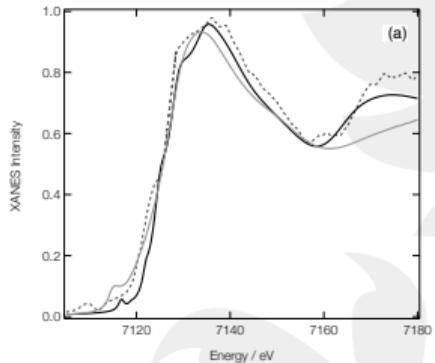
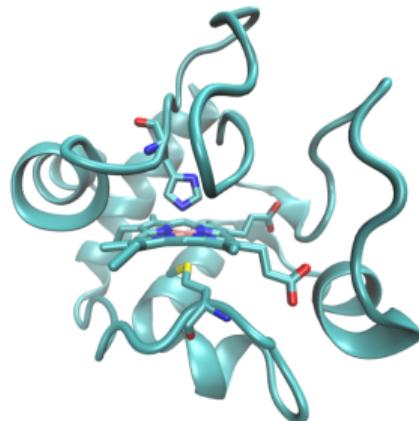
Understanding XANES of Cu-BTC (Iuliia Mikulska; Diamond)



XANESNET DNN



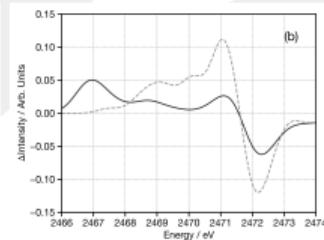
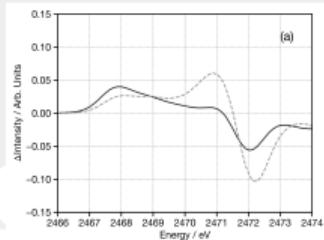
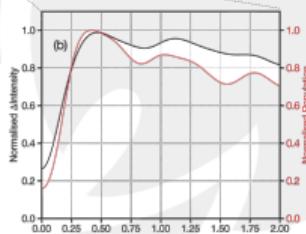
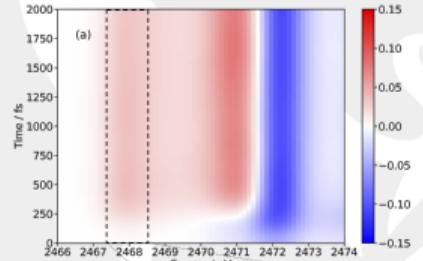
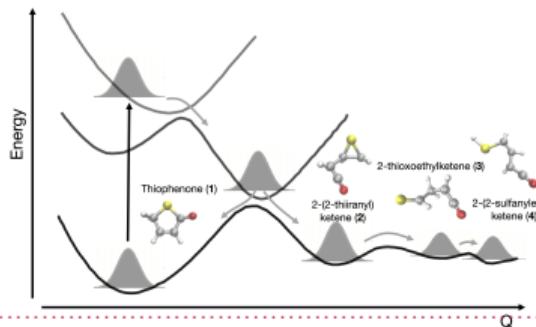
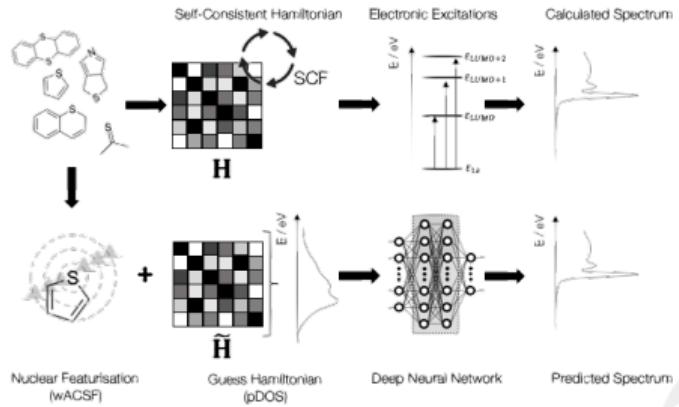
Augmenting Interpretation using ML Models



- Ground state, with the exception agrees well with experiment and DNN predictions.
- Small elongation of Fe-N_P (0.05 \AA) , larger expansion (0.1 \AA) of Fe-N_{Im} and Fe-S shows little or no change , but sensitivity is weak.
- Refinement using DNN agrees with expected structure.

C. Bacellar *et al.* PNAS 117 (2020): 21914.

p-DOS descriptor



Summary

Development and Application of First Principles Method

- MD and spectral simulations describes hole dynamics within ZnO nanoparticles.
- Improvements achieved using BSE, well suited for Archer2.
- Accurate computation of core-binding energies for surfaces.

Development and Application of Machine Learning Models

- New p-DOS descriptor provides new perspective of ML models in XS.
- Archer2 infrastructure facilitates generation of large training sets.

Training and Dissemination

- Web-CONEXS provides a user friendly framework for computing and analysing spectra.
- Developed for new users seeking to gain experience with HPC and simulation.

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