## Simulation of X-Ray Absorption Spectra with Orthogonality Constrained Density Functional Theory

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**Table 1** Optimized cartesian geometry of adenine used for simulation of NEXAS spectra optimized at the B3LYP/def2-TZVP level of theory using the PSI4 *ab initio* quantum chemistry package.

	-1.970585664532	-1.395137524338	-0.045467117394
N	-1.881922764968	-0.101178970901	-0.187746915294
C	-0.530036651175	0.162042066892	-0.075212958513
C	0.194518534413	-1.008769908818	0.138884730519
N	-0.752839154291	-2.003591795126	0.155019478510
Н	-0.575304730981	-2.985001122876	0.288894532977
Н	-2.887084126393	-1.963704194624	-0.076026591074
C	0.220821847281	1.350420528553	-0.134877528376
N	1.548880751460	1.275830644080	0.014725285193
C	2.109044063853	0.076787593229	0.214691629565
N	1.515353675426	-1.110912425553	0.290953400869
Н	3.187892320597	0.080293623862	0.328711091758
N	-0.350021924019	2.556054469300	-0.336758184831
Н	-1.344255431781	2.632817141374	-0.451219656473
Н	0.231906121724	3.373853460732	-0.370895998201

**Table 2** Optimized cartesian geometry of thymine used for simulation of NEXAS spectra optimized at the B3LYP/def2-TZVP level of theory using the PSI4 *ab initio* quantum chemistry package.

C	-1.246495845834	0.412642804754	-0.003573103168
C	-2.507237287316	1.217084061874	-0.011848989295
Н	-3.117873132937	1.004161896948	-0.892346853646
Н	-2.252332058556	2.276314275673	-0.024950360779
Н	-3.115843391524	1.025528612536	0.874939447790
C	-1.217630214628	-0.931441458484	0.012635606229
N	-0.056489889005	-1.654192870252	0.020052122522
C	1.197028093408	-1.083944060777	0.011743762351
N	1.154191491462	0.288466721271	-0.004799899183
C	0.033038734047	1.117787686433	-0.013561659185
Н	2.050520064174	0.753906293046	-0.011435103920
O	0.171793664591	2.321663419892	-0.028248779210
O	2.217898772608	-1.730464525441	0.018397425821
Н	-2.125375374356	-1.524102636497	0.020825176486
Н	-0.070123074504	-2.660021414373	0.032219688224

**Table 3** Calculated and experimental thymine oxygen core excitation energies in eV are shown in the table. All computations are performed using the def2-TZVP basis set and B3LYP functional. The largest contribution to the particle orbital  $(\phi_p)$  with reference to the ground state valence set is reported along with the hole orbital  $(\phi_h)$  for each transition. Relative oscillator strengths  $(f_{rel})$  are also reported

	OCDFT			Ex	periment	
$\phi_h$	$\phi_{p}$	$\omega_{fi}$	$f_{rel}$	Peak	$\omega_{fi}$	
$O_2$	81.8% $\pi_1^*$	531.05	1.000	A	531.4	
$O_1$	64.0% $\pi_2^*$	532.08	0.968	В	532.3	
$O_1$	71.2% $\pi_1^*$	533.38	0.146	D/	~ . <b>5</b> 22 0	
$O_2$	$78.3\% \ \pi_2^*$	533.75	0.162	$\mathrm{B}'$	$\approx 533.8$	
$O_1$	77.0% D <sub>1</sub>	534.74	0.008			
$O_2$	65.9% D <sub>1</sub>	534.85	0.042			
$O_2$	44.1% D <sub>3</sub>	535.28	0.020			
$O_1$	69.5% D <sub>3</sub>	535.46	0.098			
$O_2$	$60.8\% D_2$	535.53	0.085	C	535.7	
$O_1$	76.0% $\pi_3^*$	536.12	0.222			
$O_2$	69.0% $\pi_3^*$	536.24	0.104			
$O_2$	86.3% D <sub>4</sub>	536.34	0.052			
$O_1$	$76.3\% D_2$	536.60	0.039			
$O_2$	44.4% D <sub>6</sub>	537.02	0.024			
$O_1$	83.5% D <sub>4</sub>	537.10	0.047			
$O_2$	63.7% D <sub>5</sub>	537.21	0.021	D	527 1	
$O_1$	35.6% D <sub>7</sub>	537.45	0.054	D	537.1	
$O_2$	44.0% D <sub>7</sub>	537.67	0.073			
$O_1$	43.6% D <sub>5</sub>	537.72	0.036			
$O_1$	$70.7\% D_6$	538.49	0.058			

**Table 4** Calculated and experimental thymine nitrogen core excitation energies in eV are shown in the table. All computations are performed using the def2-TZVP basis set and B3LYP functional. The largest contribution to the particle orbital  $(\phi_p)$  with reference to the ground state valence set is reported along with the hole orbital  $(\phi_h)$  for each transition. Relative oscillator strengths  $(f_{rel})$  are also reported

		Ex	periment		
$\phi_h$	$\phi_{p}$	$\omega_{fi}$	$f_{rel}$	Peak	$\omega_{fi}$
N <sub>4</sub>	81.8% $\pi_1^*$	401.18	1.000	A	401.7
$N_3$	64.0% $\pi_2^*$	401.76	0.805	А	401.7
$N_4$	78.3% $\pi_2^*$	402.50	0.087		
$N_3$	$77.0\% D_1$	403.09	0.863	В	402.7
$N_4$	65.9% D <sub>1</sub>	403.33	0.765		
$N_4$	44.1% D <sub>3</sub>	404.17	0.912	C	404.1
$N_4$	60.8% D <sub>2</sub>	404.94	0.144		
$N_3$	69.5% D <sub>3</sub>	405.09	0.374		
$N_4$	86.3% D <sub>4</sub>	405.31	0.864		405.5
$N_3$	76.0% $\pi_3^*$	405.41	0.333	D	403.3
$N_4$	69.0% $\pi_3^*$	405.62	0.183		
$N_3$	71.2% $\pi_1^*$	405.67	0.490		
$N_3$	$76.3\% D_2$	405.76	0.177		

**Table 5** Calculated and experimental thymine carbon core excitation energies in eV are shown in the table. All computations are performed using the def2-TZVP basis set and B3LYP functional. The largest contribution to the particle orbital  $(\phi_p)$  with reference to the ground state valence set is reported along with the hole orbital  $(\phi_h)$  for each transition. Relative oscillator strengths  $(f_{rel})$  are also reported

		OCDFT		Ex	periment
$\phi_h$	$\phi_{P}$	$\omega_{fi}$	$f_{rel}$	Peak	$\omega_{fi}$
	92.1% $\pi_1^*$	284.90	0.372	A	284.9
C <sub>7</sub>	95.9% $\pi_1^*$	285.98	0.698	В	285.9
$C_9$	75.4% $\pi_2^*$	286.56	0.036		
$C_8$	97.6% $\pi_2^*$	287.33	0.171		
$C_6$	$81.8\% \ \pi_1^*$	287.68	0.792	C	287.8
$C_9$	89.9% $\pi_1^*$	287.92	0.117		
$C_8$	48.1% D <sub>3</sub>	288.19	0.006		
$C_9$	87.7% D <sub>1</sub>	288.46	0.229		
$C_8$	53.9% D <sub>1</sub>	288.94	0.037		
$C_9$	85.1% D <sub>3</sub>	289.01	0.158		
$C_7$	94.2% $\pi_2^*$	289.06	0.289		
$C_5$	$64.0\% \ \pi_{2}^{\tilde{*}}$	289.14	1.000	D	289.4
$C_8$	$32.5\% D_3^2$	289.17	0.017		
$C_7$	90.3% D <sub>1</sub>	289.22	0.001		
$C_9$	63.1% $\pi_3^*$	289.26	0.333		
C <sub>9</sub>	$49.5\% D_2$	289.31	0.375		
$C_8$	67.1% D <sub>2</sub>	289.67	0.082		
$C_8$	$77.0\% D_4$	289.68	0.105		
$C_6$	$78.3\% \ \pi_2^*$	289.94	0.135		
$C_9$	75.4% D <sub>4</sub>	290.14	0.023		
$C_8$	33.3% D <sub>5</sub>	290.31	0.119		
$C_5$	71.2% $\pi_1^*$	290.33	0.029	-	200.7
$C_9$	$30.5\% D_5^{1}$	290.43	0.047	E	290.7
$C_7$	71.6% D <sub>3</sub>	290.44	0.050		
$C_7$	41.5% D <sub>2</sub>	290.54	0.041		
$C_8$	38.1% D <sub>6</sub>	290.80	0.093		
$C_9$	24.4% D <sub>6</sub>	291.12	0.076		
$C_8$	61.2% D <sub>7</sub>	291.13	0.024		
C <sub>7</sub>	$45.5\% \ \pi_3^*$	291.42	0.018		
$C_7$	83.1% D <sub>4</sub>	291.44	0.001		
$C_9$	$24.8\% D_5$	291.45	0.289		
$C_6$	65.9% D <sub>1</sub>	291.59	0.036		
$C_7$	44.3% D <sub>5</sub>	291.83	0.055		

**Table 6** Calculated and experimental adenine nitrogen core excitation energies in eV are shown in the table. All computations are performed using the def2-TZVP basis set and B3LYP functional. The largest contribution to the particle orbital  $(\phi_p)$  with reference to the ground state valence set is reported along with the hole orbital  $(\phi_h)$  for each transition. Relative oscillator strengths  $(f_{rel})$  are also reported

	OCDFT Experime		xperiment		
$\phi_h$	$\phi_P$	$\omega_{fi}$	$f_{rel}$	Peak	$\omega_{fi}$
$\overline{N_4}$	81.0% π <sub>1</sub> *	399.14	0.851		, and the second
$N_3$	63.7% $\pi_1^*$	399.28	0.926	A	399.5
$N_5$	92.6% $\pi_2^*$	399.42	1.000		
$N_5$	92.4% $\pi_1^*$	399.69	0.002	A'	$\approx 400.4$
$N_4$	98.9% $\pi_2^*$	400.39	0.022	Α	~ 400.4
$N_3$	81.6% $\pi_2^*$	401.21	0.109	$\mathbf{B}'$	401.3
$N_2$	82.1% $\pi_1^*$	401.43	0.364		
$N_3$	66.2% $\pi_3^*$	401.79	0.145		
$N_1$	69.3% $\pi_1^*$	401.81	0.594		
$N_4$	77.4% $\pi_3^*$	401.95	0.184		
$N_5$	$56.7\% \ \pi_3^*$	402.10	0.017	В	401.9
$N_5$	$34.7\% \ \pi_3^*$	402.15	0.013		
$N_2$	78.4% D <sub>3</sub>	402.27	0.204		
$N_4$	$80.2\% D_2$	402.36	0.003		
$N_3$	90.2% D <sub>2</sub>	402.42	0.012		
$N_4$	83.4% D <sub>3</sub>	402.73	0.038		
$N_3$	69.0% D <sub>3</sub>	402.80	0.008		
$N_5$	$36.4\% D_3$	402.80	0.049		
$N_1$	$74.8\%  \pi_2^*$	403.08	0.122		
$N_5$	$39.1\% D_5$	403.18	0.030	С	403.0
$N_4$	$48.5\% D_4$	403.22	0.033	C	403.0
$N_1$	$87.2\% D_2$	403.25	0.418		
$N_3$	$80.4\% D_4$	403.32	0.074		
$N_2$	57.1% D <sub>6</sub>	403.34	0.918		
$N_5$	91.1% D <sub>6</sub>	403.38	0.052		
$N_4$	$61.7\% D_6$	403.67	0.007		
$N_3$	$77.6\% D_5$	403.72	0.007		
$N_5$	61.6% D <sub>7</sub>	403.79	0.073		
$N_1$	77.2% $\pi_3^*$	403.97	0.083		
$N_4$	$37.1\% D_7$	404.07	0.040		
$N_5$	$36.3\% D_4$	404.20	0.008		
$N_4$	39.8% D <sub>7</sub>	404.24	0.022		
$N_2$	94.8% $\pi_3^*$	404.33	0.038		
$N_3$	$42.3\% D_8$	404.44	0.023		
$N_2$	87.1% $\pi_2^*$	404.55	0.011		
$N_3$	$59.8\% D_6$	404.71	0.059		
$N_5$	29.0% D <sub>5</sub>	404.73	0.031		
$N_4$	91.9% D <sub>10</sub>	404.79	0.253		
$N_2$	56.6% D <sub>2</sub>	404.97	0.115		

**Table 7** Calculated and experimental adenine carbon core excitation energies in eV are shown in the table. All computations are performed using the def2-TZVP basis set and B3LYP functional. The largest contribution to the particle orbital  $(\phi_p)$  with reference to the ground state valence set is reported along with the hole orbital  $(\phi_h)$  for each transition. Relative oscillator strengths  $(f_{rel})$  are also reported

	OCDFT			Ez	xperiment
$\phi_h$	$\phi_{P}$	$\omega_{fi}$	$f_{rel}$	Peak	$\omega_{fi}$
C <sub>10</sub>	92.6% $\pi_2^*$	286.32	0.298	A	286.4
C <sub>9</sub>	81.0% $\pi_1^*$	286.46	0.936	A	200.4
$C_{10}$	92.4% $\pi_1^*$	286.71	0.260	В	286.8
$C_7$	82.1% $\pi_1^*$	286.86	0.893	Б	200.0
$C_6$	69.3% $\pi_1^*$	287.27	1.000	C	287.4
$C_8$	63.7% $\pi_1^*$	287.41	0.961	C	207.4
$C_8$	81.6% $\pi_2^*$	287.86	0.000		
$C_{10}$	$34.7\% \ \pi_3^*$	287.93	0.092	$\mathbf{C}'$	$\approx 288.0$
$C_9$	98.9% $\pi_2^*$	288.02	0.026		
$C_6$	74.8% $\pi_2^*$	288.78	0.008		
$C_{10}$	$56.7\% \ \pi_3^*$	288.89	0.006		
$C_7$	$78.4\% D_3$	288.91	0.001	D	289.0
$C_{10}$	36.4% D <sub>3</sub>	289.16	0.038		
$C_8$	66.2% $\pi_3^*$	289.21	0.014		
C <sub>9</sub>	77.4% $\pi_3^*$	289.41	0.016		
$C_7$	87.1% $\pi_2^*$	289.43	0.042	E	
$\mathbf{C}_7$	$57.1\% D_6$	289.66	0.329		
$C_{10}$	39.1% D <sub>5</sub>	289.82	0.029		
$C_9$	$80.2\% D_2$	289.98	0.266		
$C_8$	$90.2\% D_2$	290.06	0.044	F	
$C_9$	83.4% D <sub>3</sub>	290.14	0.166		
$C_6$	87.2% D <sub>2</sub>	290.15	0.035		
$\mathbf{C}_7$	94.8% $\pi_3^*$	290.36	0.086		
$C_{10}$	91.1% D <sub>6</sub>	290.37	0.020		
$C_{10}$	61.6% D <sub>7</sub>	290.42	0.031		
$C_9$	48.5% D <sub>4</sub>	290.45	0.014	G	
$C_8$	69.0% D <sub>3</sub>	290.61	0.010	G	
$C_6$	77.2% $\pi_3^*$	290.66	0.060		
$\mathbf{C}_7$	56.6% D <sub>2</sub>	290.77	0.064		
C <sub>9</sub>	61.7% D <sub>6</sub>	290.94	0.018		