

# **Day 2: Excited-State Electronic Structure & Spectroscopic Properties**

**CyberTraining: Modeling Quantum Dynamics of Excited States  
in Materials in the Era of Machine Learning**

**July 7, 2026**

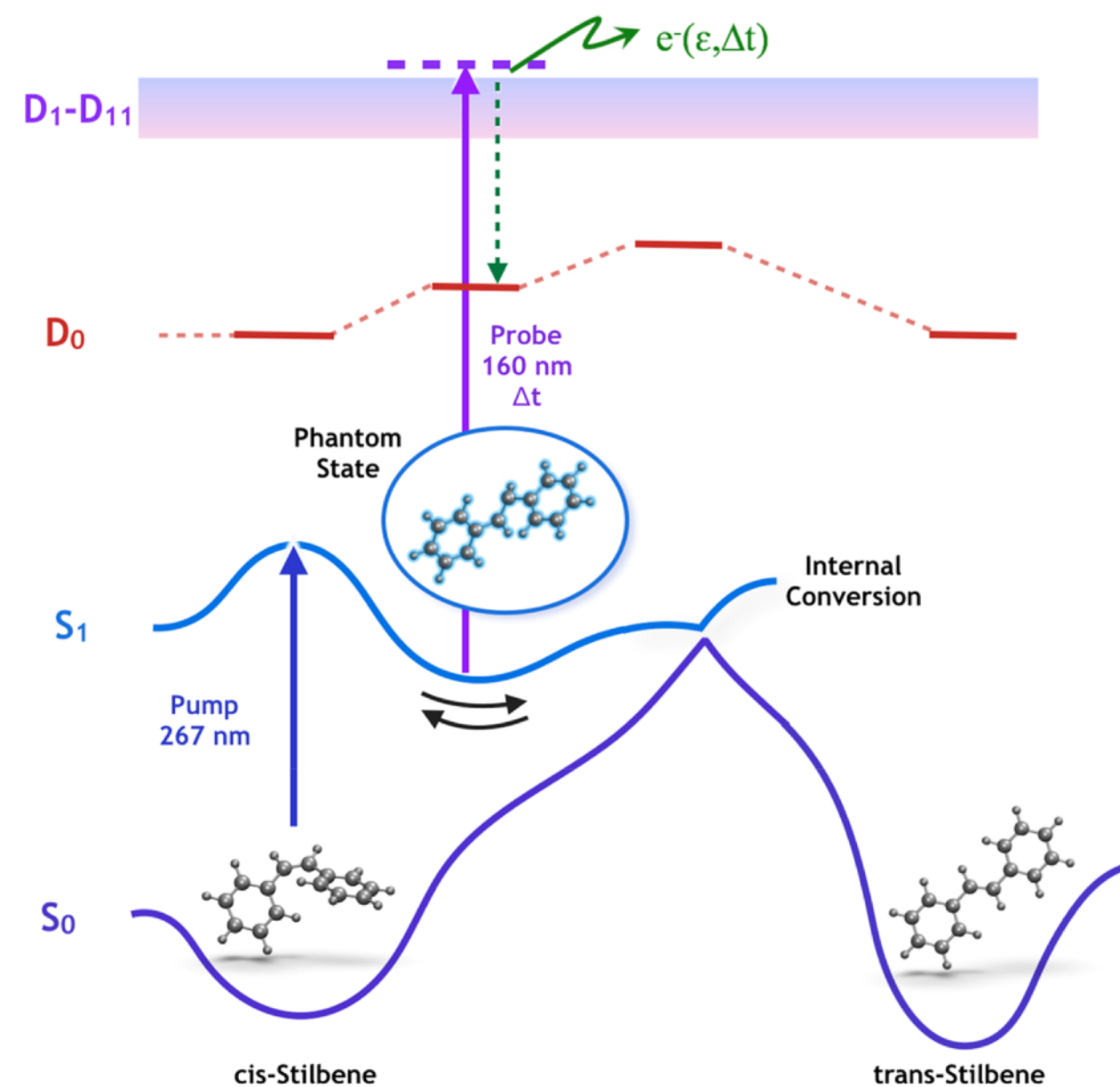
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# Motivation

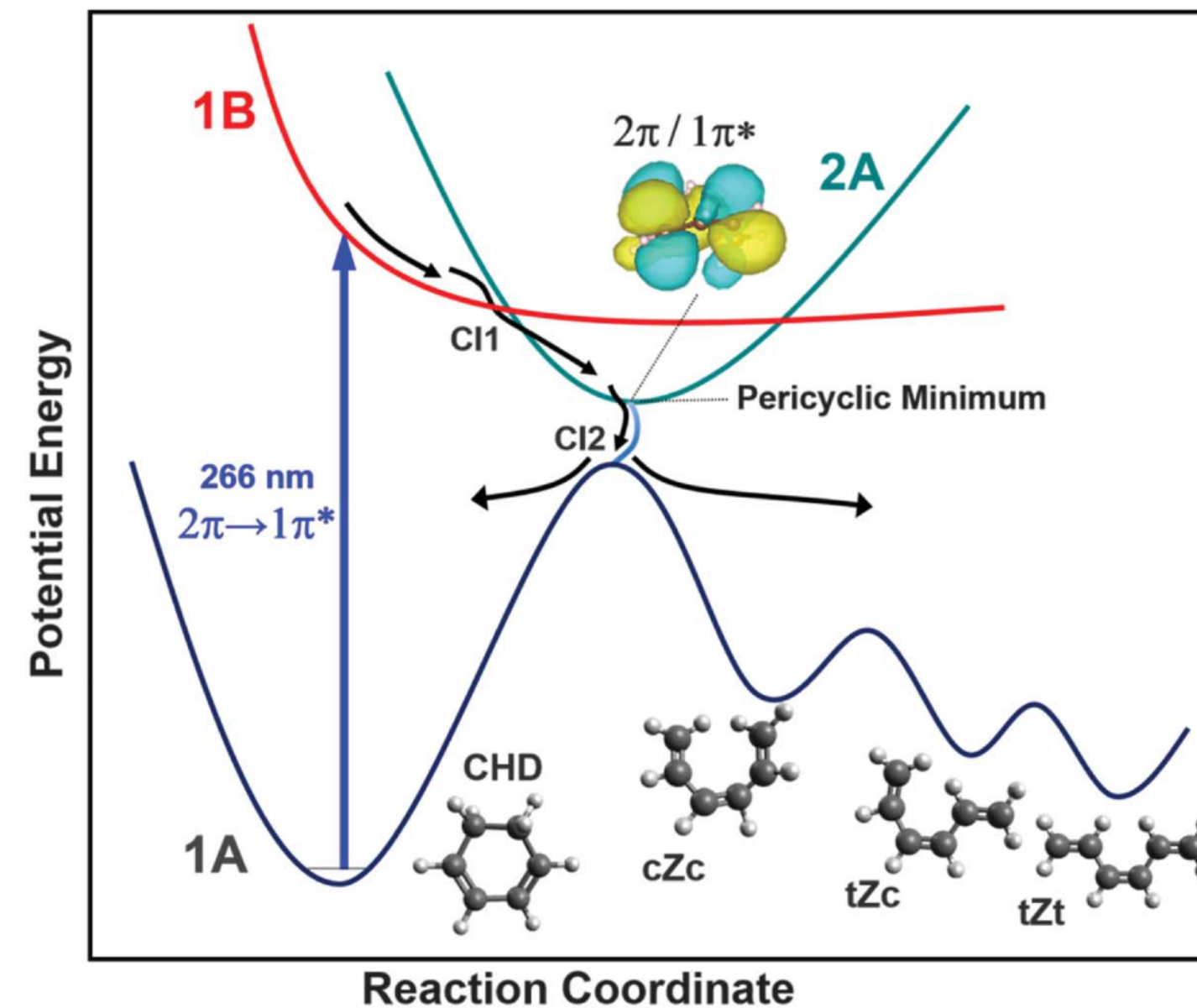
## Fundamental understanding of light-matter interactions

### Excited-state electronic structure



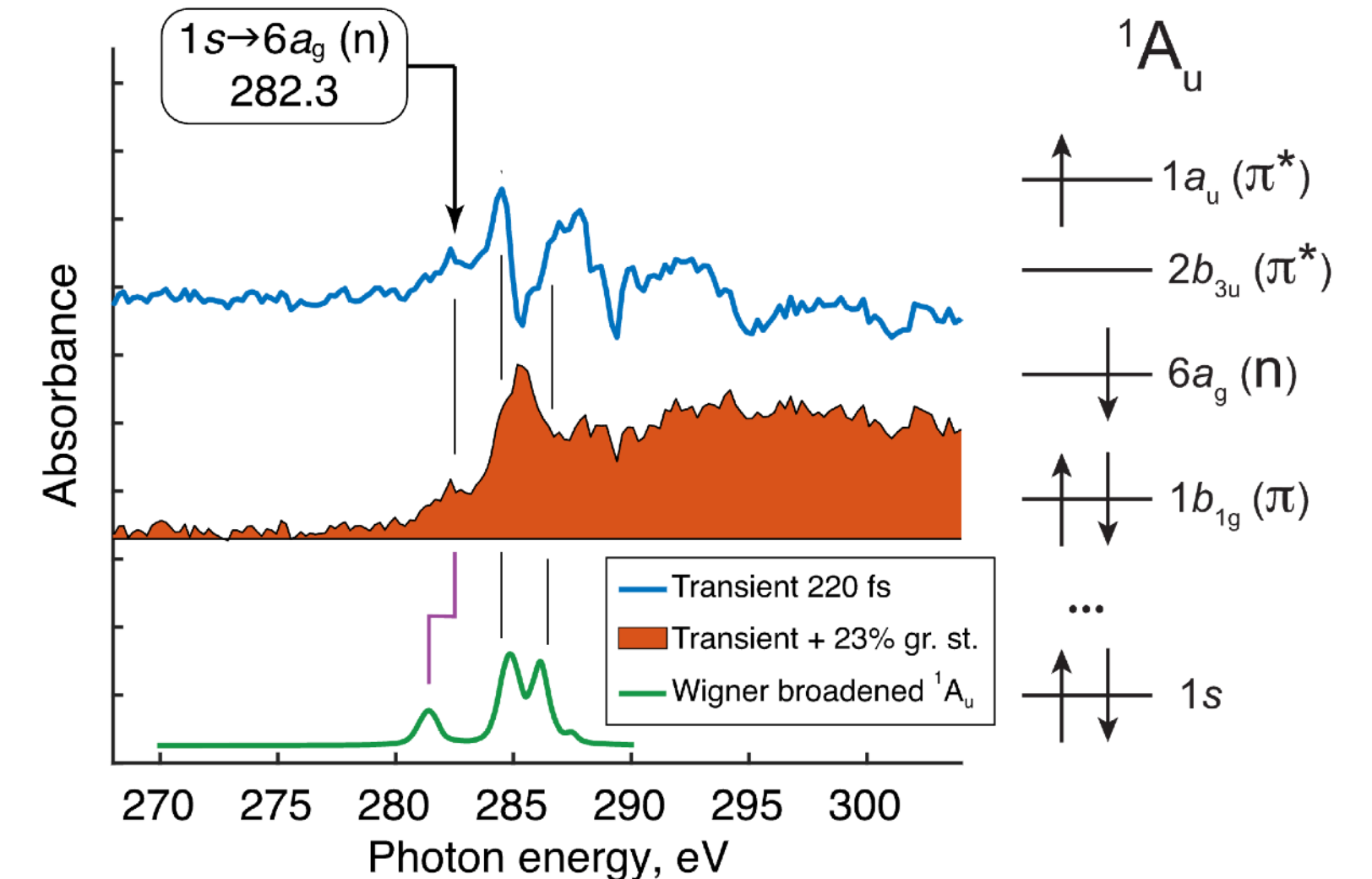
Williams et al., *JPCL*, 6363, **12** (2021)

### Ultrafast electron and nuclear dynamics



Attar et al., *Science*, 356, **54** (2017)

### Spectroscopic properties



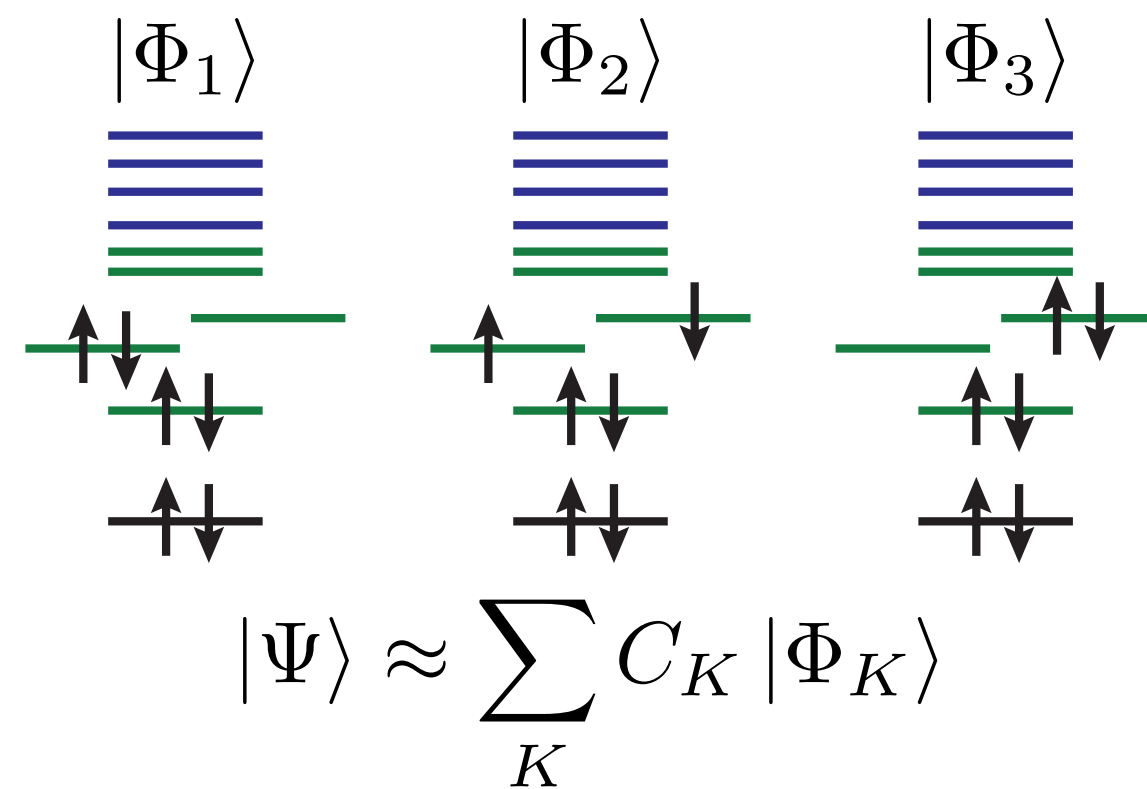
Scutelnic et al., *Nat. Comm.* 5003, **12** (2021)

Crucial for advancing photochemistry, solar energy conversion, etc..

# Requirements for Accurate Theory

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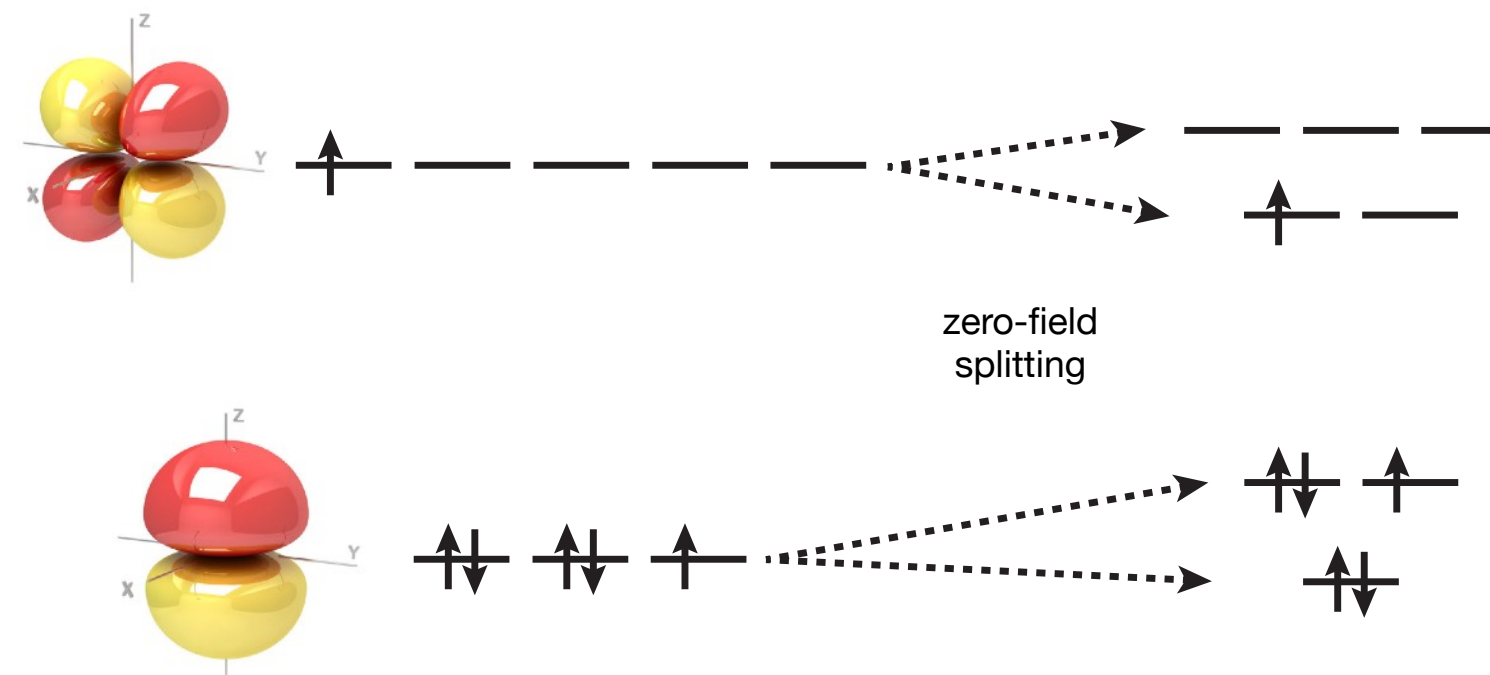
Describe static and dynamic correlation



Provide access to spectroscopic observables

Compute many states and broad spectral regions

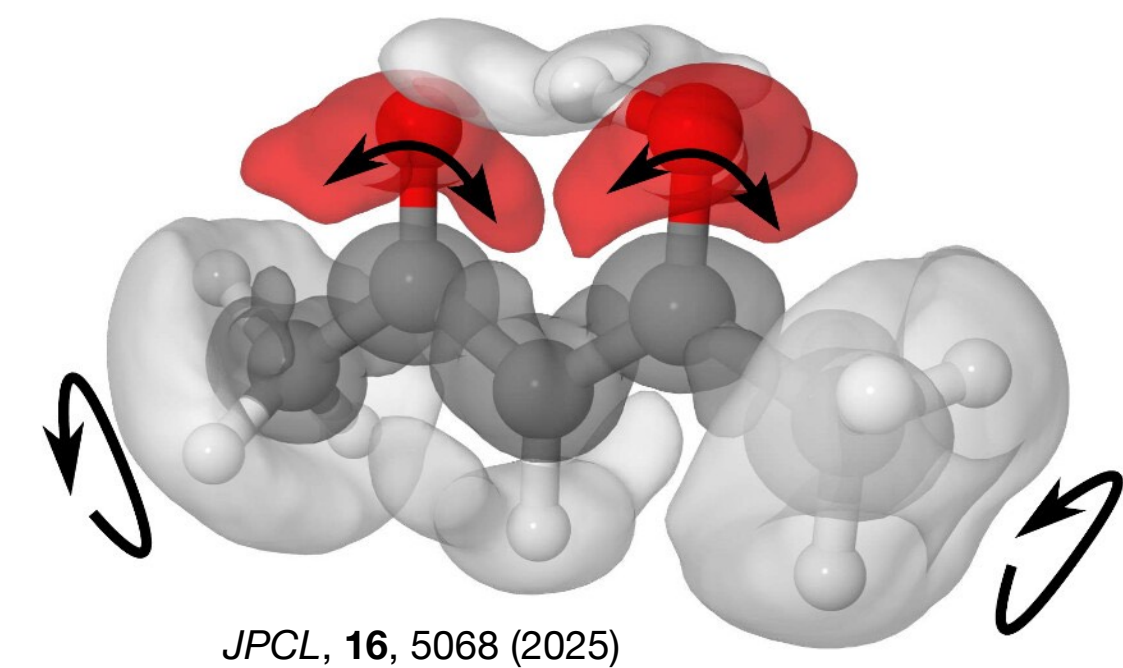
Capture relativistic effects



Accurately describe valence-excited states

Computationally efficient

Incorporate nonadiabatic nuclear dynamics



Accurately describe core-excited states

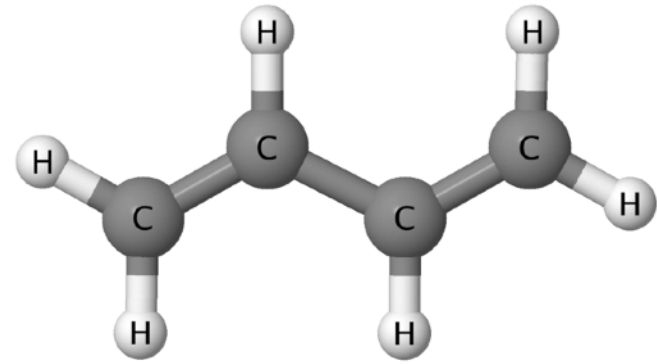
Numerically stable

**Challenging for most computational methods!**

# Single- vs Multireference Methods

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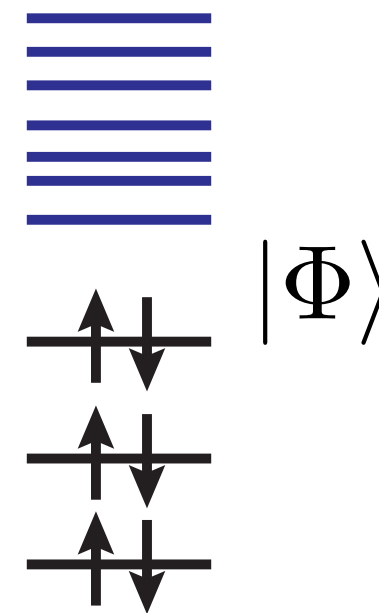
**Butadiene:**



**HOMO - LUMO  
gap is large**

**Weak electron correlation:**

**Important electronic configurations:**



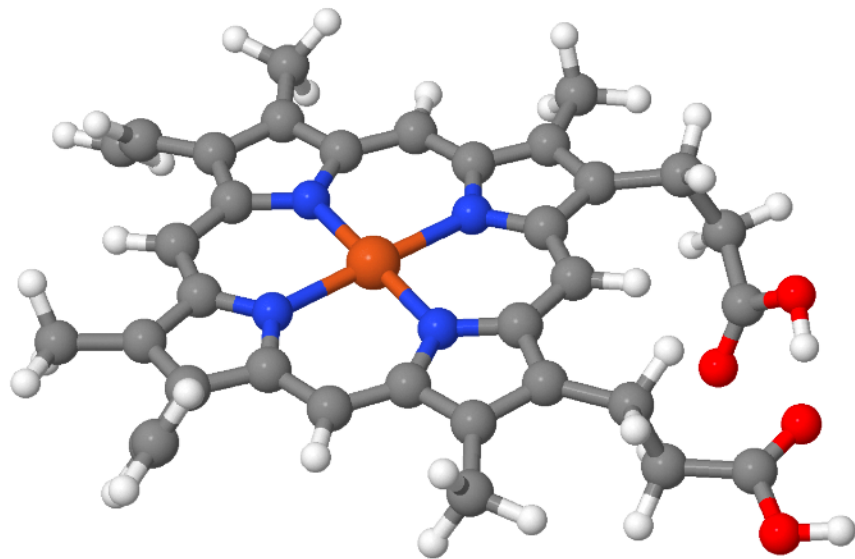
**Wavefunction:**

$$|\Psi\rangle \approx |\Phi\rangle$$

**single configuration**

**appropriate methods:  
single-reference**

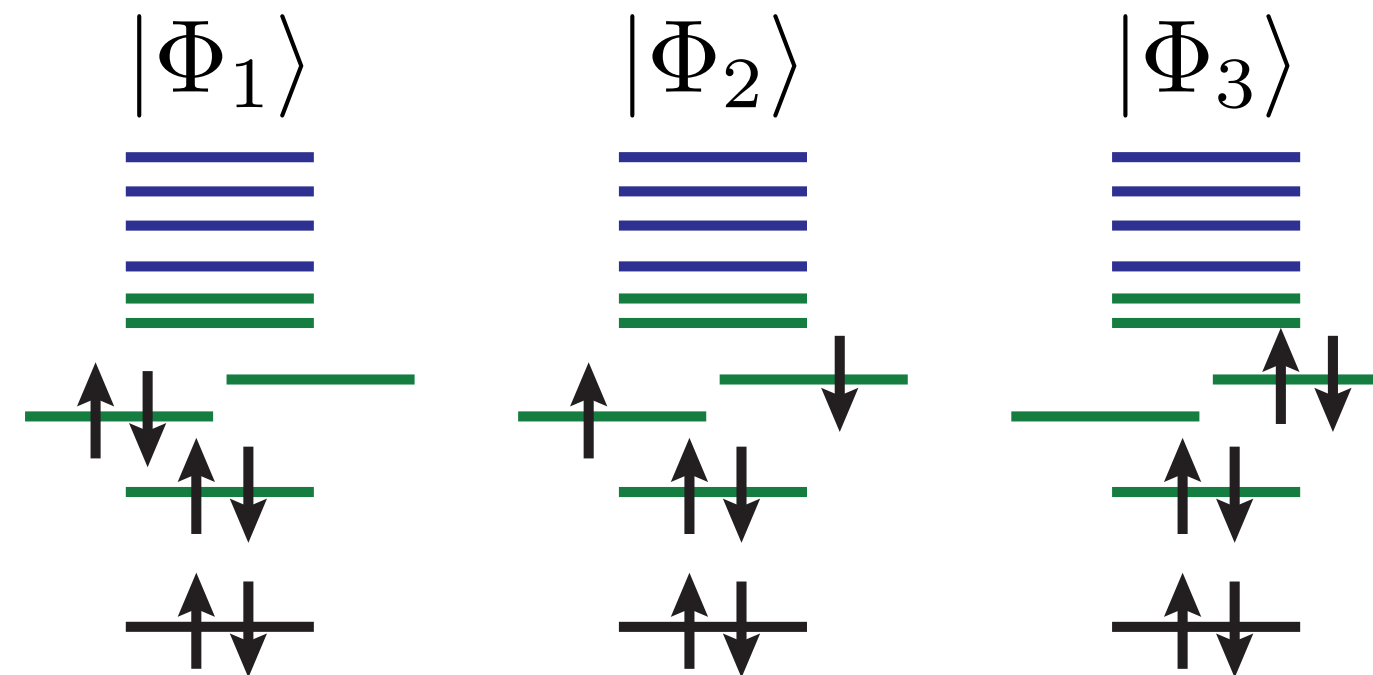
**Heme B complex:**



**HOMO - LUMO  
gap is small**

**Strong electron correlation:**

**Important electronic configurations:**



**Wavefunction:**

$$|\Psi\rangle \approx \sum_K C_K |\Phi_K\rangle$$

**many configurations**

**appropriate methods:  
multireference**

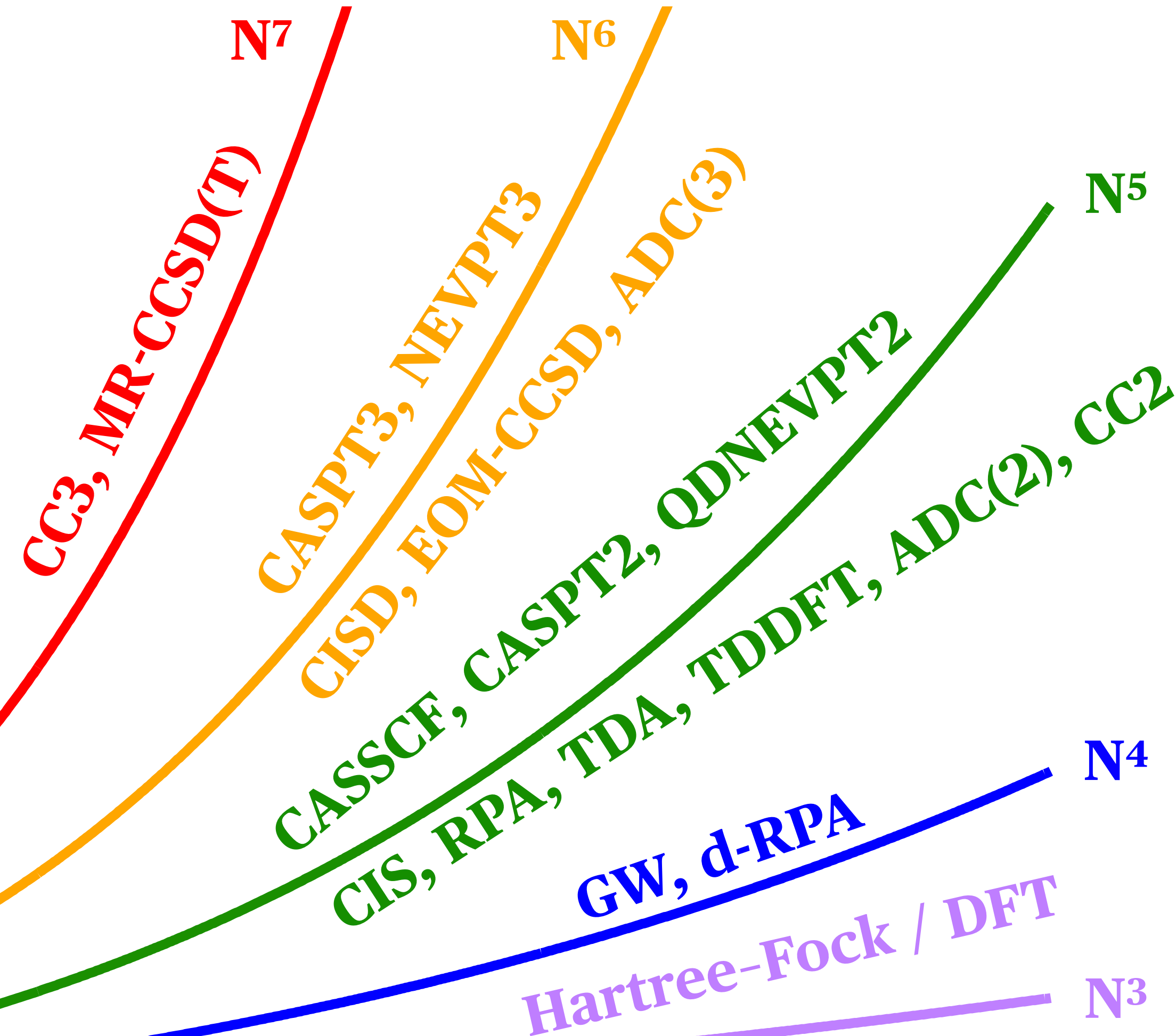
**Very important in excited states and non-equilibrium geometries**

# Computational Cost

Computational cost



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**Incorporating electron correlation is computationally very costly!**

## PySCF v.2.13



<https://github.com/pyscf/pyscf>

## Prism v.0.9



<https://github.com/sokolov-group/prism>

### Available excited-state methods:

- ★ CIS, TDA, RPA, TD-DFT
- ★ GW, AGF2
- ★ ADC(2), (2)-X, and (3) for EE, IP, EA
- ★ CISD, EOM-CCSD for EE, IP, EA
- ★ CASSCF, NEVPT2 (SC), MCPDFT
- ★ Molecules and materials
- ★ NEVPT2 and QDNEVPT2 (FIC)
- ★ MR-ADC(1), (2) and (2)-X for core ionization (CVS-IP)
- ★ State-interaction spin-orbit coupling
- ★ Magnetic properties

## PySCF v.2.13



<https://github.com/pyscf/pyscf>

## Prism v.0.9



<https://github.com/sokolov-group/prism>

### Installation requirements:

- ★ Python 3 environment (e.g., conda)
- ★ Modules: numpy, scipy, h5py
- ★ Compiled version: C & C++ compiler, BLAS library (e.g., Intel MKL), CMake
- ★ Optional: matplotlib, mkl, opt\_einsum, pytblis
- ★ PySCF and its dependencies
- ★ Modules: psutils
- ★ Optional: sympy (SOC), socutils (SOC)

# Day 2 Tentative Plan

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## Morning (9 am - 12 pm):

- ★ 9:00 - 9:25: Motivation and day overview
- ★ 9:25 - 9:30: Testing software environment
- ★ 9:30 - 10:15: Single-reference methods: theory, practical guidelines, live demos
- ★ 10:15 - 12:00: Single-reference methods breakout session

## Afternoon (1:30 - 5:00 pm):

- ★ 1:30 - 2:15: Multireference methods: theory, practical guidelines, live demos
- ★ 2:15 - 3:45: Multireference methods breakout session
- ★ 3:45 - 5:00: Reports from each group

# Exercise #1: Testing Software Environment

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**Follow these steps if you are using UB CCR:**

1. Log in to UB CCR
2. Create an interactive session (optional if just testing)
3. Enable PySCF/Prism conda environment:
  - ➔ `source /projects/academic/cyberwksp21/SOFTWARE_2026/pyscf_prism_environment.sh`
4. Copy the folder with PySCF/Prism examples to your home area:
  - ➔ `cp -r /projects/academic/cyberwksp21/SOFTWARE_2026/pyscf_prism_examples ~`
5. Run a test calculation to check if the environment is set up correctly:
  - ➔ `cd ~/pyscf_prism_examples/01_test_environment`
  - ➔ `python 01_test_environment.py`

# Day 2 Useful Links

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★ **More detailed day 2 overview on the website:**

- ➔ [https://compchem-cybertraining.github.io/  
Cyber\\_Training\\_Workshop\\_2026/\\_episodes/03-electronic-structure](https://compchem-cybertraining.github.io/Cyber_Training_Workshop_2026/_episodes/03-electronic-structure)

★ **GitHub repos with examples:**

- ➔ [https://github.com/compchem-cybertraining/Tutorials\\_PySCF](https://github.com/compchem-cybertraining/Tutorials_PySCF)
- ➔ [https://github.com/compchem-cybertraining/Tutorials\\_Prism\\_SQA](https://github.com/compchem-cybertraining/Tutorials_Prism_SQA)

★ **PySCF manual:**

- ➔ <https://pyscf.org/user/index.html>

★ **PySCF examples:**

- ➔ <https://github.com/pyscf/pyscf/tree/master/examples>

★ **Prism examples:**

- ➔ <https://github.com/sokolov-group/prism/tree/main/examples>

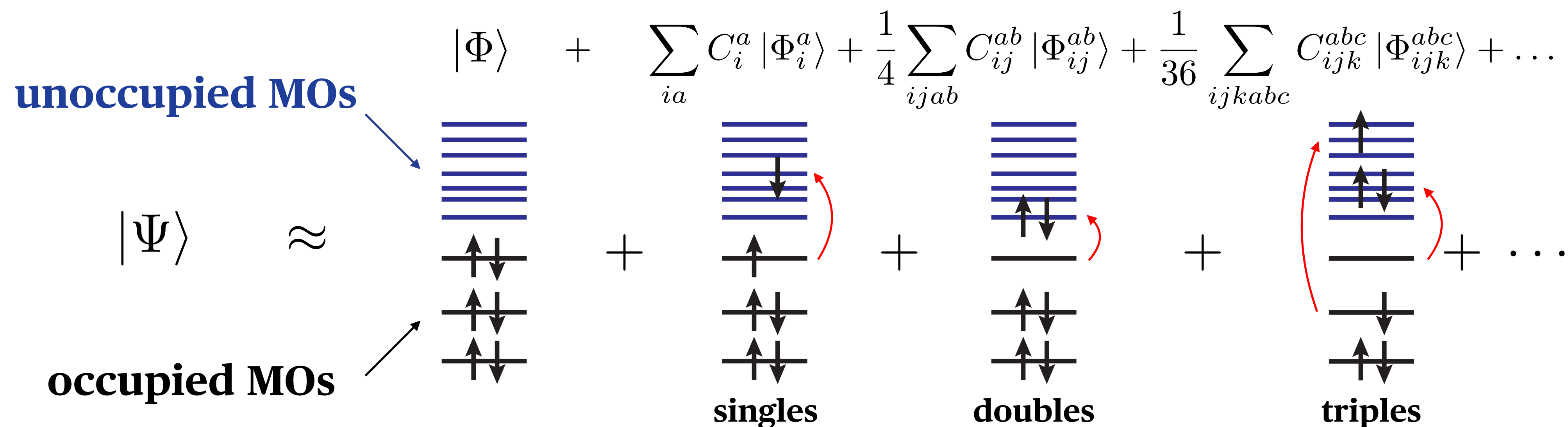
## Excited-state calculations require using proper basis sets!

- ★ Most excited-state calculations require **at least a diffuse double-zeta basis set** to produce qualitatively correct results (e.g., aug-cc-pVDZ)
- ★ Triple- or higher-zeta basis sets are required for quantitative accuracy using correlated methods
- ★ Core-level calculations need core-polarized or uncontracted basis sets (e.g., cc-pCVXZ)
- ★ Accurate treatment of relativistic effects requires special basis sets (e.g., ANO-RCC, Sapporo-XZP, etc.)
- ★ In the interest of time, we will mainly use aug-cc-pVDZ in this workshop

# Single-Reference Methods

**Initial approximation:  
single Slater determinant**

**Corrections:  
excited determinants**



**Popular methods:**

**Single-state: HF, DFT, MP2, CISD, CCSD, CCSD(T)**

**Multi-state: CIS, RPA, TD-DFT, ADC(2), CC2, EOM-CCSD**

**Efficient at describing weak (dynamic) electron correlation**

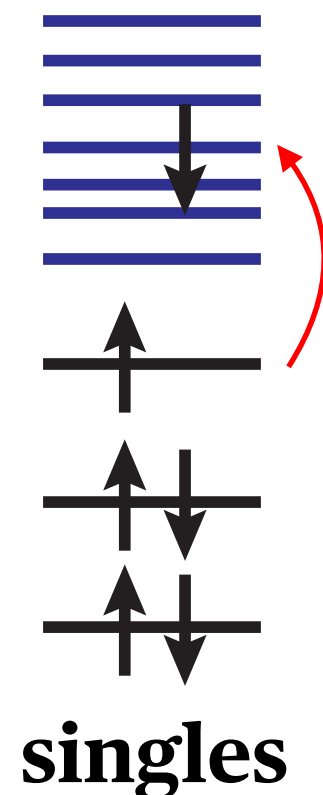
# RPA/CIS and TDDFT/TDA

Linear response of a  
single determinant:

excited-state  
wavefunction:

$$|\Psi_I\rangle \approx$$

$$\sum_{ia} X_{i,I}^a |\Phi_i^a\rangle$$



RPA/TDDFT eigenvalue  
equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{A} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}_I \\ \mathbf{Y}_I \end{pmatrix} = \omega_I \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}_I \\ \mathbf{Y}_I \end{pmatrix}$$

Hierarchy of methods:

- ★ **TDA-HF (CIS):** HF orbitals,  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}$  (single excitations only)
- ★ **TD-HF (RPA):** HF orbitals,  $\mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{0}$  (single exc. and de-exc.)
- ★ **TDA-DFT:** DFT orbitals,  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}$  (single excitations only)
- ★ **TD-DFT:** DFT orbitals,  $\mathbf{B} \neq \mathbf{0}$  (single exc. and de-exc.)

★ **Computational scaling:**  $O(N^5)$  with basis set (N) but only  $O(N_{\text{occ}} * N_{\text{vir}})$  in memory

**Workhorses of excited-state quantum chemistry**

## Strengths:

- ✓ Computationally efficient
- ✓ Can compute many transitions
- ✓ Conceptually simple, textbook picture of excitations
- ✓ Efficient nuclear gradients and properties

## Weaknesses:

- Doesn't capture double and higher excitations, multireference effects
- TDDFT depends strongly on the functional of choice
- TD-HF and TDDFT are non-Hermitian, can exhibit instabilities
- Problems with charge transfer, conical intersections, charge localization (TDDFT)

**Accuracy should be verified with higher-level approaches**

## Linear-response (propagator) perturbation theory

Frequency-dependent  
propagator

$$G(\omega) = \sum_m \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{O} | \Psi_m \rangle \langle \Psi_m | \hat{V} | \Psi_0 \rangle}{\omega - (E_m - E_0)}$$

transition probability

transition energy

Contains information about spectroscopic properties  
(UV/Vis, photoelectron, two-photon, etc)

$$\text{ADC}(\mathbf{n}): G(\omega) \approx G^{(0)}(\omega) + G^{(1)}(\omega) + \dots + G^{(n)}(\omega)$$

J. Schirmer, *Phys. Rev. A* **26**, 2395 (1982)

ADC capabilities:

- ★ Systematically improvable hierarchy of methods:  
ADC(0), ADC(1), ADC(2), ...
- ★ Access to a wide range of excitations (IP, EA, EE, etc)
- ★ Computational scaling:
  - ★ ADC(2):  $O(N^5)$ ;
  - ★ ADC(3):  $O(N^6)$ ;
  - ★ ADC(4):  $O(N^7)$ ;
  - ★ ...

Powerful approach for excited states and spectroscopic properties

## ADC propagator in a matrix form:

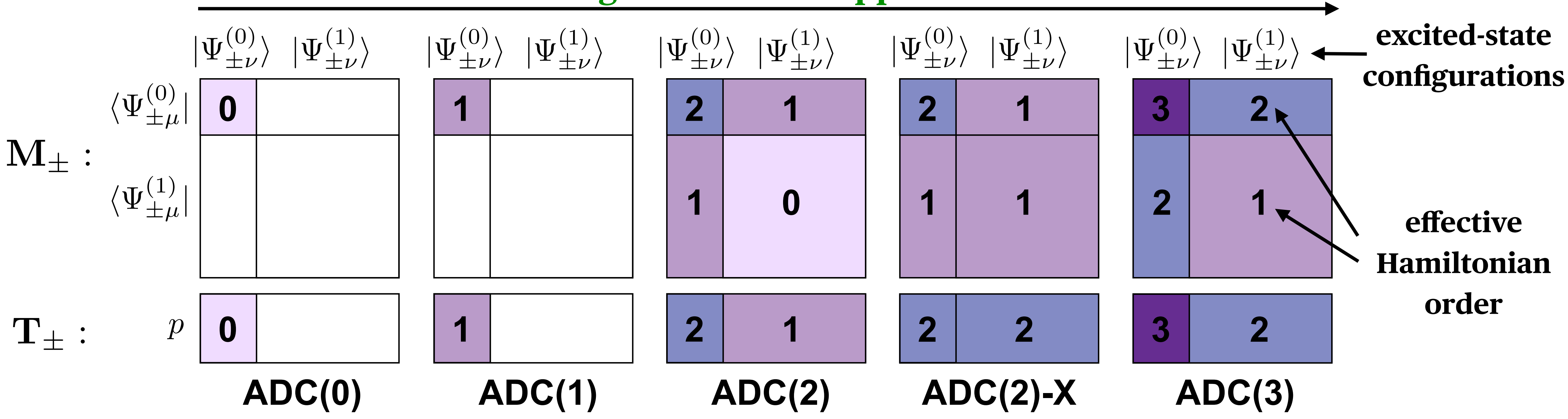
$$G(\omega) = \mathbf{T}(\omega\mathbf{S} - \mathbf{M})^{-1}\mathbf{T}^\dagger$$

← Transition moments      ↓ Overlap matrix      → Effective Hamiltonian

$$\mathbf{T} \approx \mathbf{T}^{(0)} + \mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \dots + \mathbf{T}^{(n)}$$

$$\mathbf{M} \approx \mathbf{M}^{(0)} + \mathbf{M}^{(1)} + \dots + \mathbf{M}^{(n)}$$

## Increasing level of ADC approximation:



## Algebraic Diagrammatic Construction Theory for Simulating Charged Excited States and Photoelectron Spectra

Samraghi Banerjee and Alexander Yu. Sokolov\*



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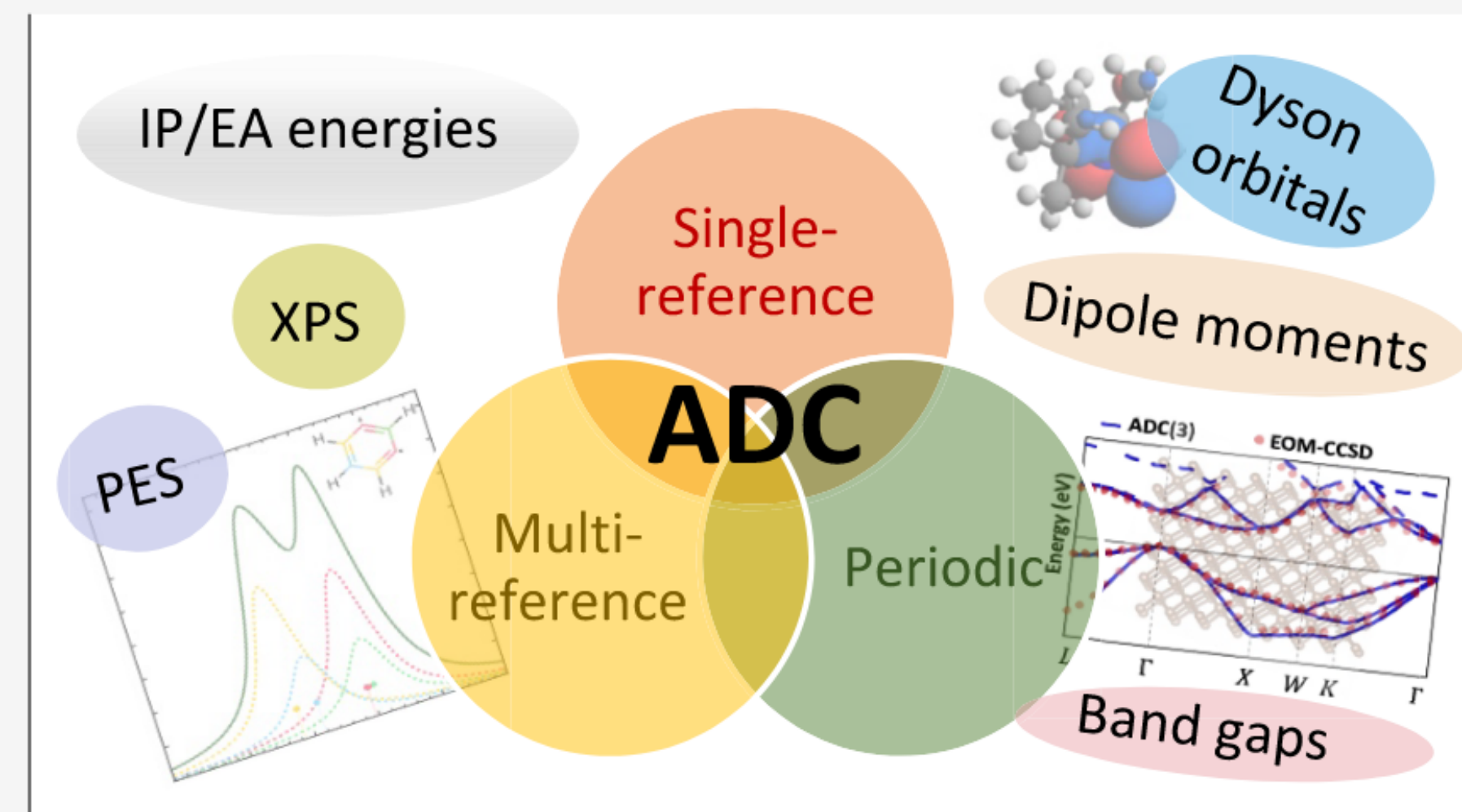
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**ABSTRACT:** Charged excitations are electronic transitions that involve a change in the total charge of a molecule or material. Understanding the properties and reactivity of charged species requires insights from theoretical calculations that can accurately describe orbital relaxation and electron correlation effects in open-shell electronic states. In this Review, we describe the current state of algebraic diagrammatic construction (ADC) theory for simulating charged excitations and its recent developments. We start with a short overview of ADC formalism for the one-particle Green's function, including its single- and multireference formulations and extension to periodic systems. Next, we focus on the capabilities of ADC methods and discuss recent findings about their accuracy for calculating a wide range of excited-state properties. We conclude our Review by outlining possible directions for future developments of this theoretical approach.



## Strengths:

- ✓ Provides access to a wide range of excitations (IP, EA, EE, DIP, etc)
- ✓ Straightforward evaluation of spectroscopic properties
- ✓ Can compute many states and broad spectral regions
- ✓ Size-consistent
- ✓ Hermitian

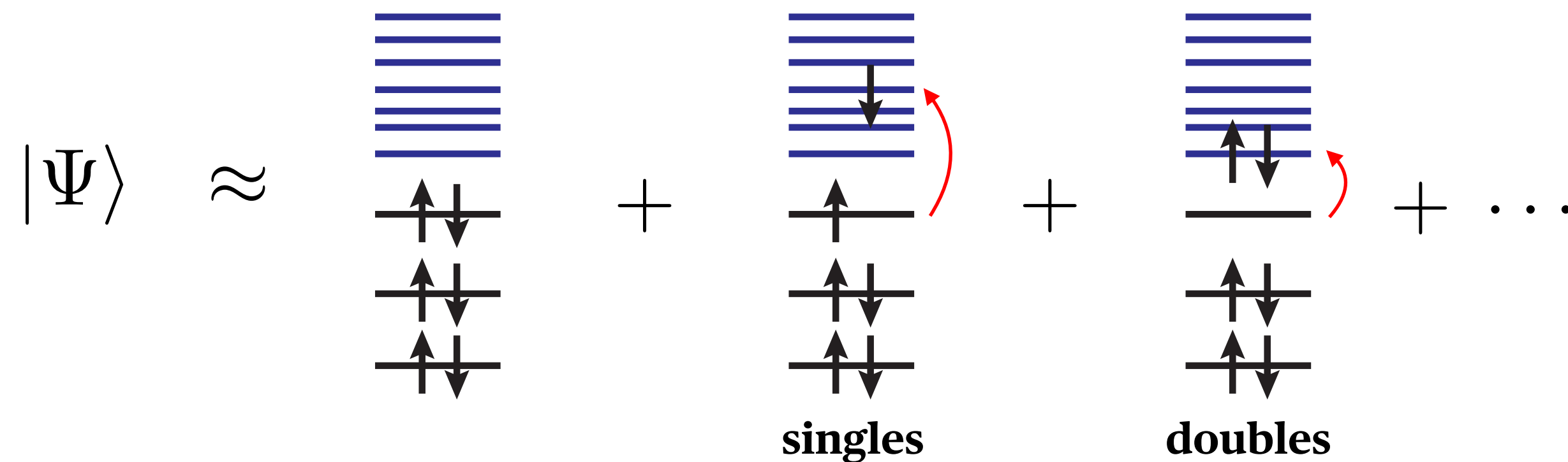
## Weaknesses:

- Single-reference ADC doesn't capture multireference effects
- Requires SR-ADC(4) or MR-ADC to accurately treat double excitations
- SR-ADC suffers from spin contamination for open-shell molecules
- Problems with charge transfer, conical intersections

**Excited-state methods with intermediate cost and accuracy**

## Excited-state CC wavefunction:

$$|\Psi_K\rangle = \hat{R}_K e^{\hat{T}} |\Phi_0\rangle \quad \hat{T} = \hat{T}_1 + \hat{T}_2 + \dots$$



## EOM-CC eigenvalue equation:

$$\bar{H} \hat{R}_K |\Phi_0\rangle = \omega_K \hat{R}_K |\Phi_0\rangle$$

$$\bar{H} = e^{-\hat{T}} \hat{H} e^{\hat{T}}$$

## EOM-CC capabilities:

- ★ Systematically improvable hierarchy of methods:  
EOM-CCSD, CCSDT, ...
- ★ Access to a wide range of excitations (IP, EA, EE, etc)

★ **Computational scaling:**  $O(N^6)$  for EOM-CCSD,  $O(N^8)$  for EOM-CCSDT, ...

**Highly accurate framework for weakly correlated electronic states**

## Strengths:

- ✓ High accuracy for states dominated by single excitations
- ✓ Relatively insensitive to the quality of reference orbitals
- ✓ Systematically improvable hierarchy of methods that converge fast for weakly correlated systems
- ✓ Can describe wide range of excitations (IP, EA, EE, SF, DIP, etc)

## Weaknesses:

- Computationally expensive
- Requires high levels (e.g., MRCC or EOM-CCSDTQ) to capture MR effects and double excitations
- Non-Hermitian, can yield complex excitation energies
- Excited-state properties and gradients are not straightforward
- Problems with conical intersections

**Benchmark quality for small molecules and singly excited states**

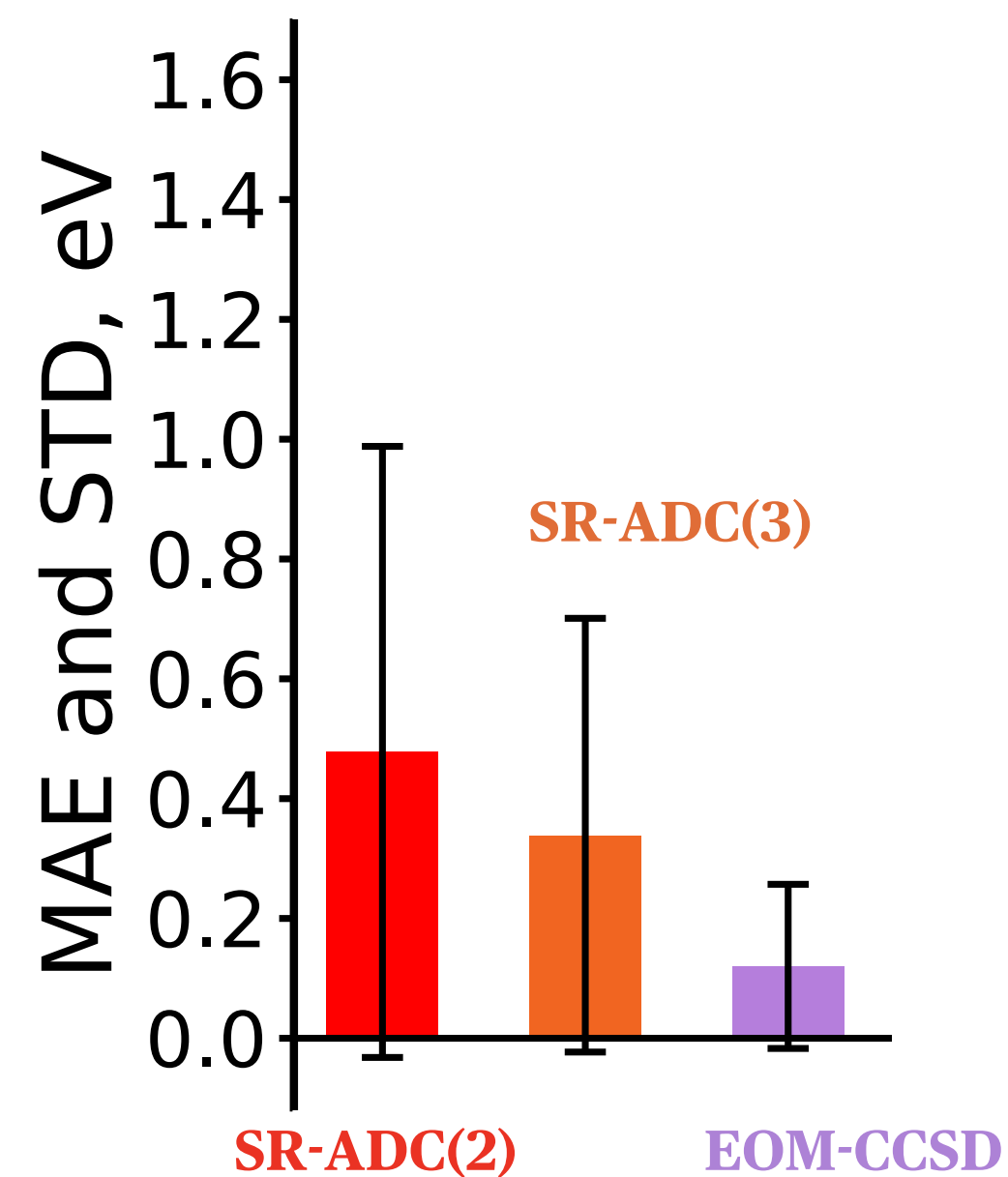
1. Split into 8 groups (6 in-person, 2 virtual)
2. Find your assigned molecule: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1jClch129Uzuj4JSznpDHZQ4nTcph4YF2wLHmXrfHmrA/edit?usp=sharing>
3. Molecular geometries can be found on GitHub or CCR (/projects/academic/cyberwksp21/SOFTWARE\_2026/pyscf\_prism\_examples/geometries)
4. Use PySCF and Prism to compute excited states of your molecule, feel free to start with provided examples
5. Tabulate the data, analyze the character of excitation, visualize densities and orbitals, assign excited states where possible
6. Compare results to the QUEST database data ([https://github.com/compchem-cybertraining/Tutorials\\_PySCF/blob/main/QUEST/QUEST-All.xlsx](https://github.com/compchem-cybertraining/Tutorials_PySCF/blob/main/QUEST/QUEST-All.xlsx)) and assess the performance of each method

## 7. Prepare short summary for the group reports in the afternoon:

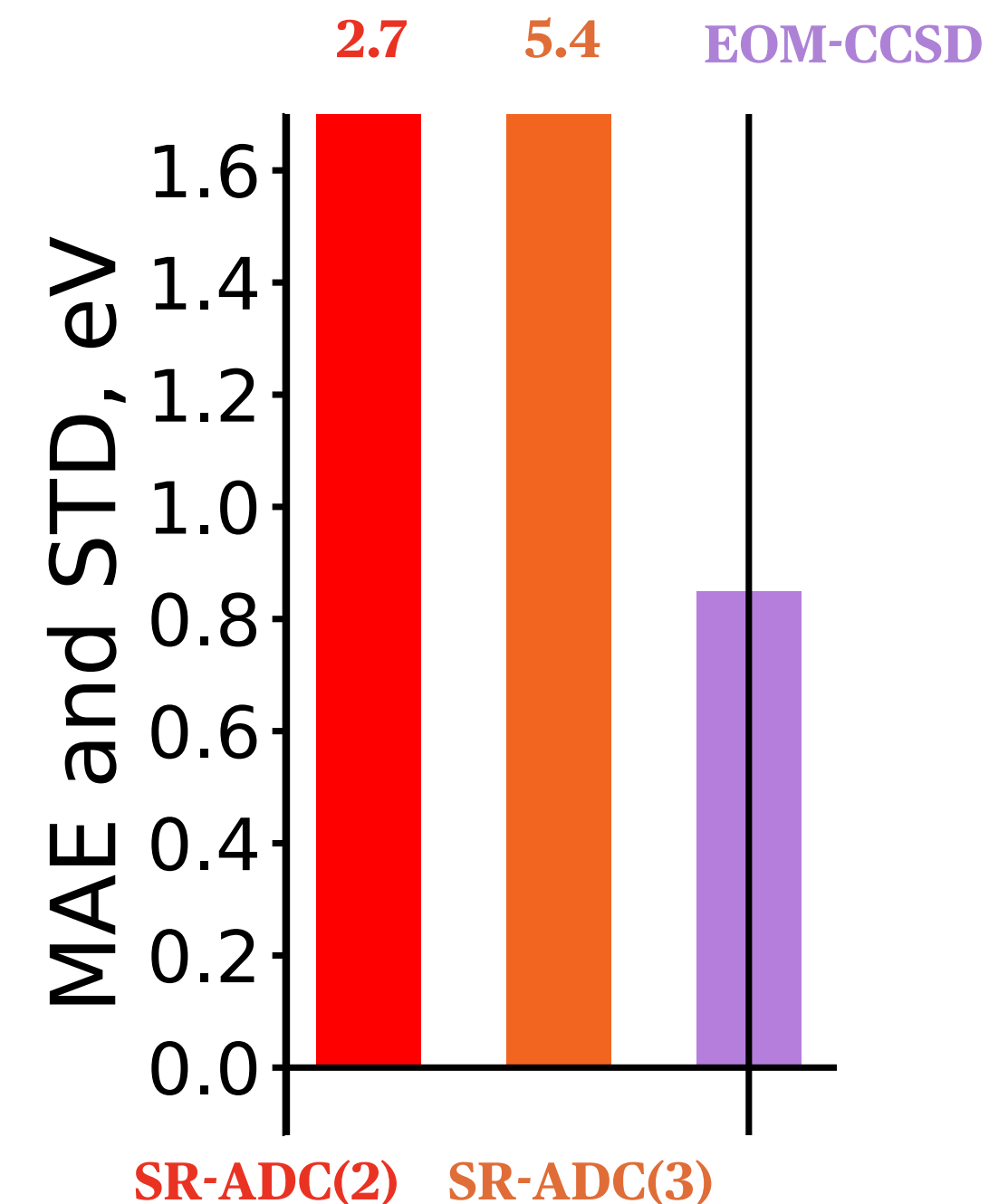
- ★ State character:
  - ➔ What is the dominant character of each state?
  - ➔ Do NTOs and density differences give the same interpretation?
- ★ Method comparison:
  - ➔ Do all methods predict the same state ordering?
  - ➔ Which method is the most accurate and where do they fail?
- ★ Report conclusions:
  - ★ What is the main spectroscopic assignment for your molecule?
  - ★ Which method would you trust most, and why?
  - ★ Which calculations became expensive or difficult to converge?
  - ★ What would you test next if you had more time?

## Errors in excitation energies (eV) relative to benchmark:

Equilibrium geometries:



Stretched geometries:



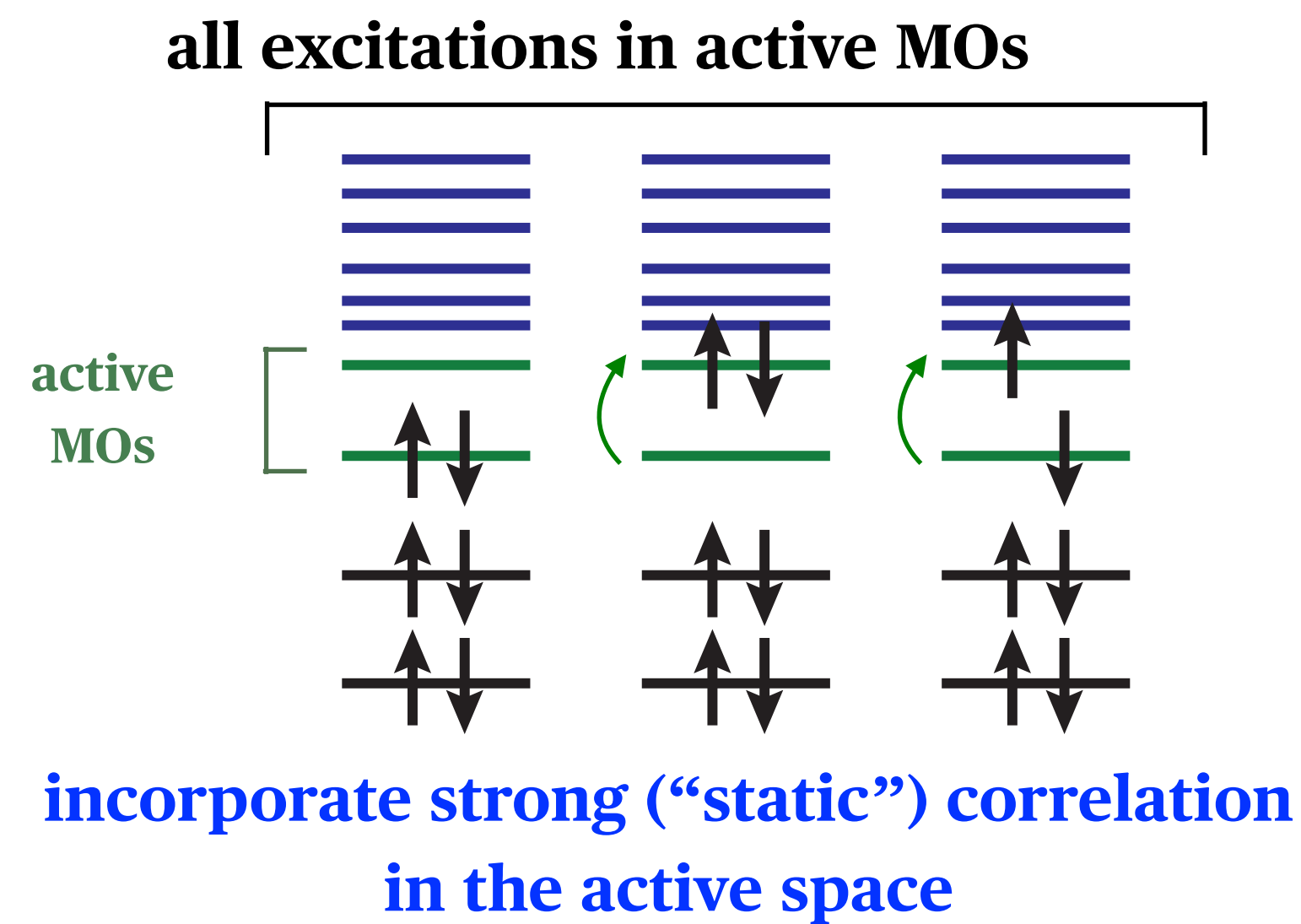
Molecules: HF, F<sub>2</sub>, CO, N<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O (40 electronic states)  
aug-cc-pVDZ basis set

**Single-reference electronic structure methods are not reliable  
when electron correlation is strong**

# Complete Active Space Self-Consistent Field (CASSCF) <sup>24</sup>

## CASSCF wavefunctions:

$$|\Psi\rangle \approx |\Psi^{(0)}\rangle = \sum_K |\Phi_K\rangle$$



## Capabilities:

- ★ Captures static correlation and all electronic excitations in the active space
- ★ Neglects excitations and dynamical correlation outside active space
- ★ Multiple states of same symmetry can be computed with state averaging
- ★ Conventional CAS limit: ~18 active orbitals ( $N_{\text{act}}$ )
- ★ Efficient implementations using selected CI, quantum Monte Carlo or DMRG can treat  $\lesssim 100$  active orbitals

★ **Computational scaling:**  $O(N^5)$  with basis set ( $N$ ), factorial scaling with  $N_{\text{act}}$

**Most commonly used multireference method**

# Complete Active Space Self-Consistent Field (CASSCF) <sup>25</sup>

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## Strengths:

- ✓ Captures static correlation in the active space
- ✓ Can describe double (and higher) excitations in active space
- ✓ Correct description of conical intersections, charge transfer, bond breaking
- ✓ Efficient for small active spaces and large basis sets

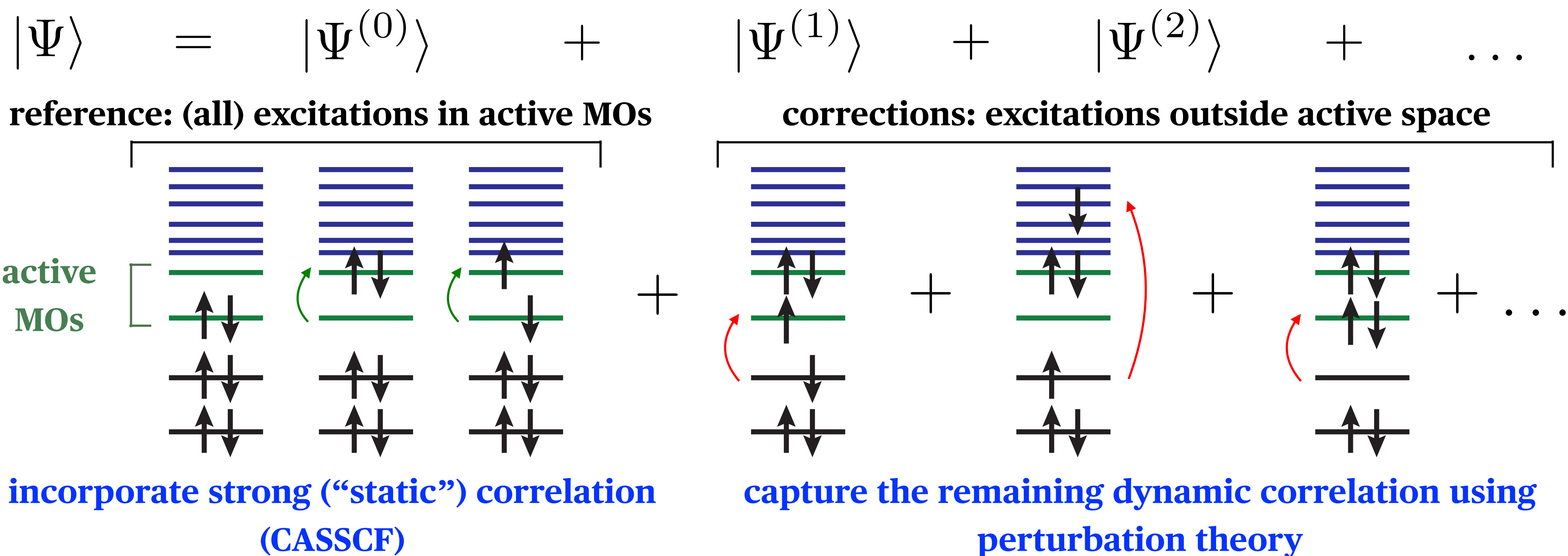
## Weaknesses:

- Requires careful active space choice (often non-intuitive)
- Results are very sensitive to the quality of optimized orbitals
- Neglects most of dynamical correlation
- Doesn't describe excitations outside active space
- Very expensive for  $N_{\text{act}} > 15$

**Starting point of most multireference calculations**

# Multireference Perturbation Theories

**Treat both static and dynamic correlation for many electronic states**



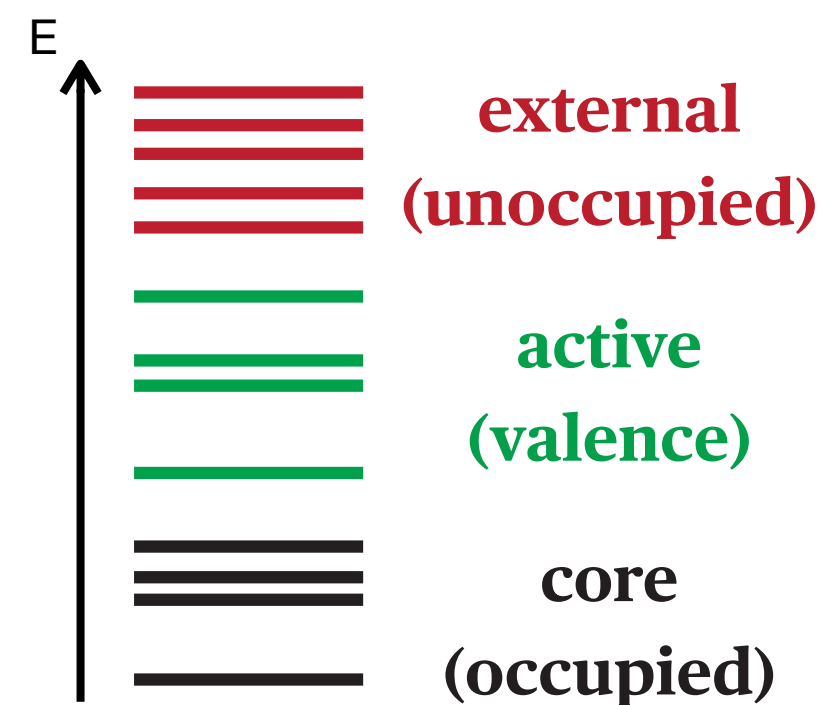
- ✓ Correctly describe excited states and nonequilibrium geometries
- ✓ Accurate if active space includes all strongly correlated orbitals
- ✓ Computationally efficient for large basis sets and active spaces at low order

**Powerful approach for multiply excited states and non-equilibrium geometries**

## Intruder-resilient\* multireference perturbation theory<sup>[1]</sup>

$$|\Psi_I\rangle \approx |\Psi_I^{(0)}\rangle + |\Psi_I^{(1)}\rangle + \dots + |\Psi_I^{(n)}\rangle$$

### 1. Reference wavefunctions are obtained from CASCI or CASSCF:



$$|\Psi_m^{(0)}\rangle = \sum_I C_{mI} |\Phi_I\rangle$$

Linear combination of all determinants  
in the active space

<sup>[1]</sup> Angeli, Cimiraglia, Evangelisti, Leininger, and Malrieu, *J. Chem. Phys.* **114**, 10252 (2001)

<sup>[2]</sup> K.G. Dyall, *J. Chem. Phys.* **102**, 4909 (1995)

### 2. Zeroth-order Hamiltonian is bielectronic in the active space:

Dyall Hamiltonian<sup>[2]</sup>:

$$\hat{H}^{(0)} = C + \underbrace{\sum_i^{\text{core}} \varepsilon_i a_i^\dagger a_i}_{\text{core}} + \underbrace{\sum_a^{\text{ext}} \varepsilon_a a_a^\dagger a_a}_{\text{external}} + \underbrace{\hat{H}_{act}}_{\text{active}}$$

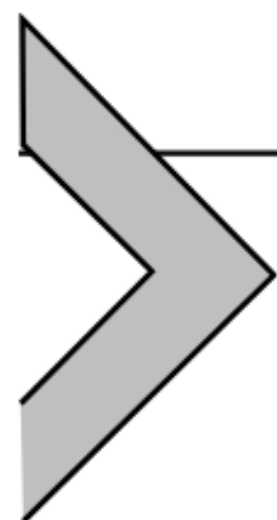
Contains all terms of  
the full Hamiltonian  
in the active space

\* Intruder problems may still arise for higher-lying states close to ionization continuum<sup>[3,4]</sup>

<sup>[3]</sup> M. Hayashi, M. Saitow, K. Uemura, T. Yanai, *J. Chem. Phys.*, **160**, 194105 (2024)

<sup>[4]</sup> N.Y. Chiang, R. Majumder, *AYS. J. Chem. Phys.* **164**, 174117 (2026)

★ Computational scaling (NEVPT2):  $O(N^5)$  with basis set (N), factorial scaling with  $N_{act}$



## CHAPTER FOUR

# Multireference perturbation theories based on the Dyall Hamiltonian

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# Prism v.0.9: Multireference Methods for Spectroscopy <sup>29</sup>

## Implementation features:

- ✓ Native PySCF interface
- ✓ Full internal contraction (a.k.a. pc-NEVPT2)
- ✓ In-core and out-of-core integrals
- ✓ Density fitting (highly recommended!)
- ✓ Frozen core approximation
- ✓ Dyson, natural transition orbitals
- ✓ Correlated one-particle densities and properties
- ✓ State-interaction spin-orbit coupling using Breit-Pauli and X2C-DKH1 Hamiltonians
- ✓ Magnetic g-tensors
- ✓ Helper functions to plot spectra

| Method                         | Reference                   |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>SS-NEVPT2</b>               | CASCI, CASSCF,<br>SA-CASSCF |
| <b>QD-NEVPT2</b>               | CASCI, CASSCF,<br>SA-CASSCF |
| <b>CVS-IP-<br/>MR-ADC(1)</b>   | CASCI, CASSCF               |
| <b>CVS-IP-<br/>MR-ADC(2)</b>   | CASCI, CASSCF               |
| <b>CVS-IP-<br/>MR-ADC(2)-X</b> | CASCI, CASSCF               |



# Prism v.0.9: Multireference Methods for Spectroscopy <sup>30</sup>

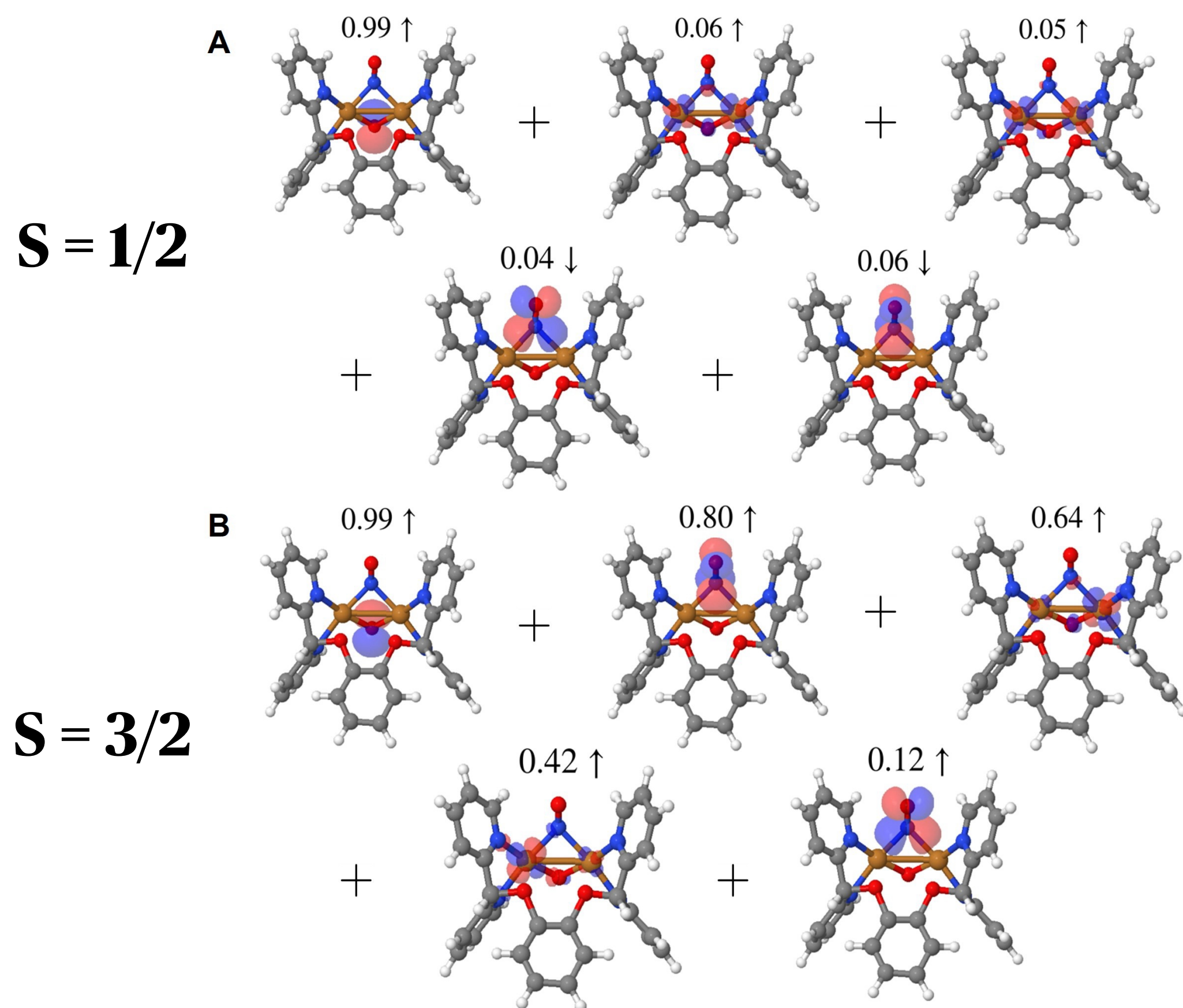
| Method                         | Reference                   | Properties                                                                                                |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SS-NEVPT2</b>               | CASCI, CASSCF,<br>SA-CASSCF | Energies, osc. strengths, correlated 1-RDMs, natural transition orbitals, zero-field splitting, g-tensors |
| <b>QD-NEVPT2</b>               | CASCI, CASSCF,<br>SA-CASSCF | Energies, osc. strengths, correlated 1-RDMs, natural transition orbitals, zero-field splitting, g-tensors |
| <b>CVS-IP-<br/>MR-ADC(1)</b>   | CASCI, CASSCF               | Core IPs, spec. factors, Dyson orb, transition 1-RDMs                                                     |
| <b>CVS-IP-<br/>MR-ADC(2)</b>   | CASCI, CASSCF               | Core IPs, spec. factors, Dyson orb, transition 1-RDMs                                                     |
| <b>CVS-IP-<br/>MR-ADC(2)-X</b> | CASCI, CASSCF               | Core IPs, spec. factors, Dyson orb, transition 1-RDMs                                                     |



# Prism Capabilities: SI-SOC and g-Tensors

## Spin-switching $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{O})(\text{NO})]^{2+}$ complex:

### Spin density analysis:



### Ground- and excited g-tensors:

$S = 1/2$ :

$S = 3/2$ :

$S = 1/2$ :

$S = 3/2$ :

Magnetic g-tensor principal axes:

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[ [ 0.617852  0.100298  0.779871]
  [-0.409216 -0.805909  0.427847]
  [ 0.671417 -0.583482 -0.456889]]
[ [ 0.552544 -0.559406  0.617867]
  [ 0.833483  0.371268 -0.409226]
  [-0.000471  0.741097  0.671398]]
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Magnetic g-factors ( $g_e = 2.002319$ ):

|            |            |                      |
|------------|------------|----------------------|
| 2.002319,  | 2.003636,  | 2.003636             |
| 0.000000,  | 0.001317,  | 0.001317 (g-shift)   |
| 0.000,     | 1.317,     | 1.317 (g-shift, ppt) |
| 2.001661,  | 2.001661,  | 2.002319             |
| -0.000658, | -0.000658, | 0.000000 (g-shift)   |
| -0.658,    | -0.658,    | 0.000 (g-shift, ppt) |

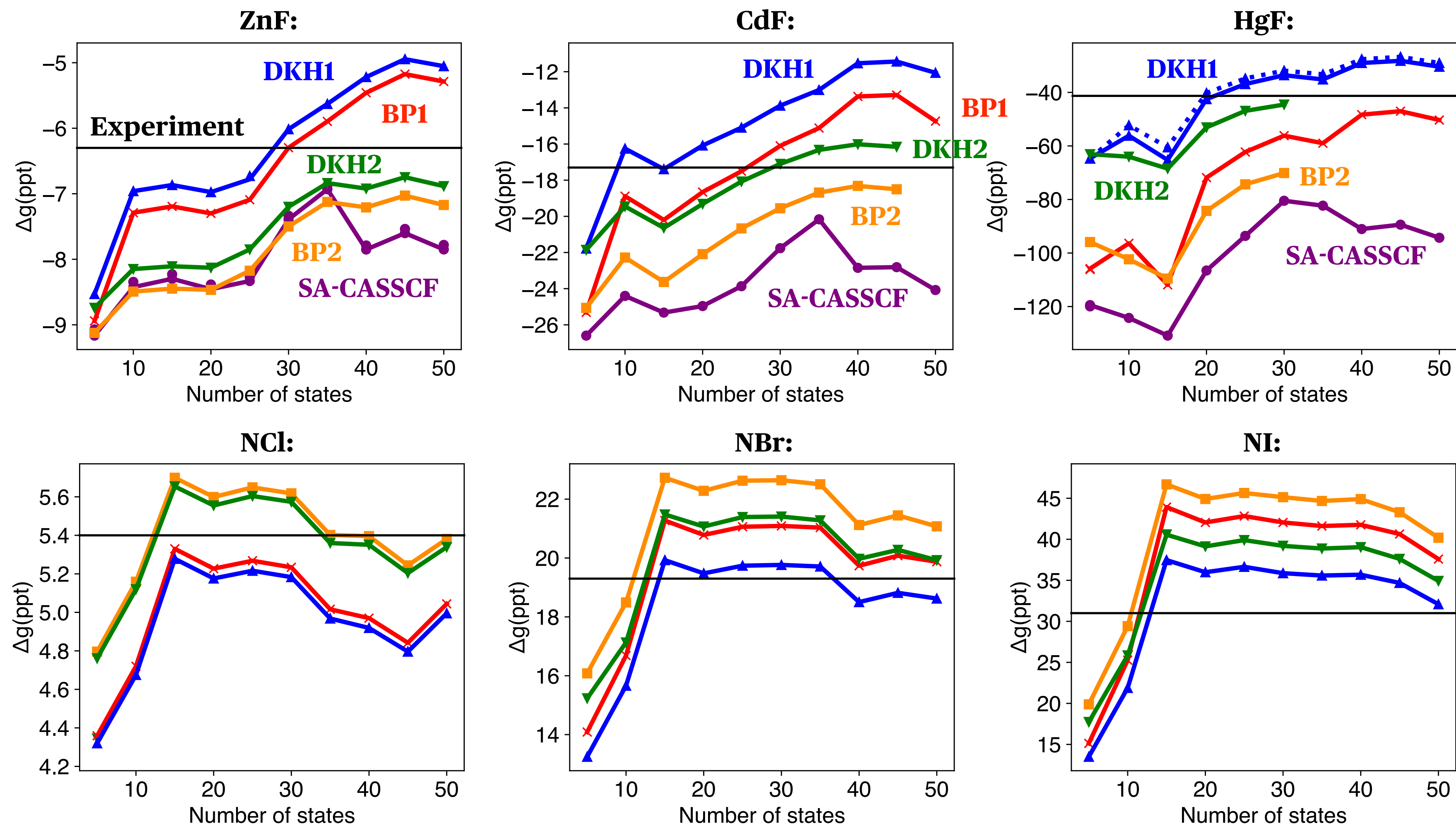
def2-SVP (690 MO's), (13e, 15o) active space, DKH1 Hamiltonian,  
32 hours @ Intel Xeon CPU Max 9470 (20 cores, 2.0 GHz)

**Doublet-quartet gap is less than 200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ !**

**Spin state changes with increasing temperature!**

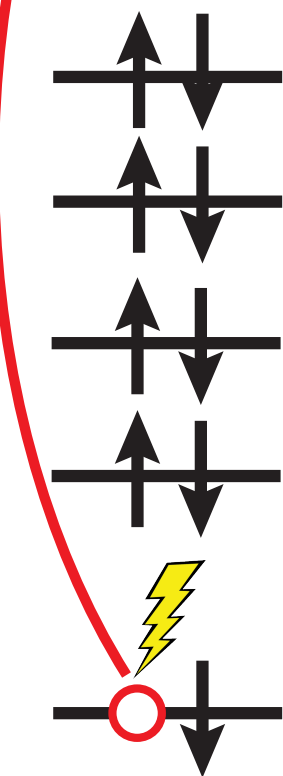
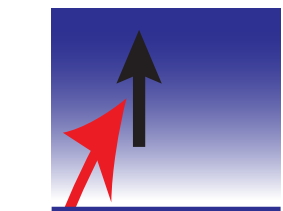
# Upcoming: 2nd-Order SOC in QDNEVPT2

## Molecular g-shifts computed using first- and second-order spin-orbit QDNEVPT2:



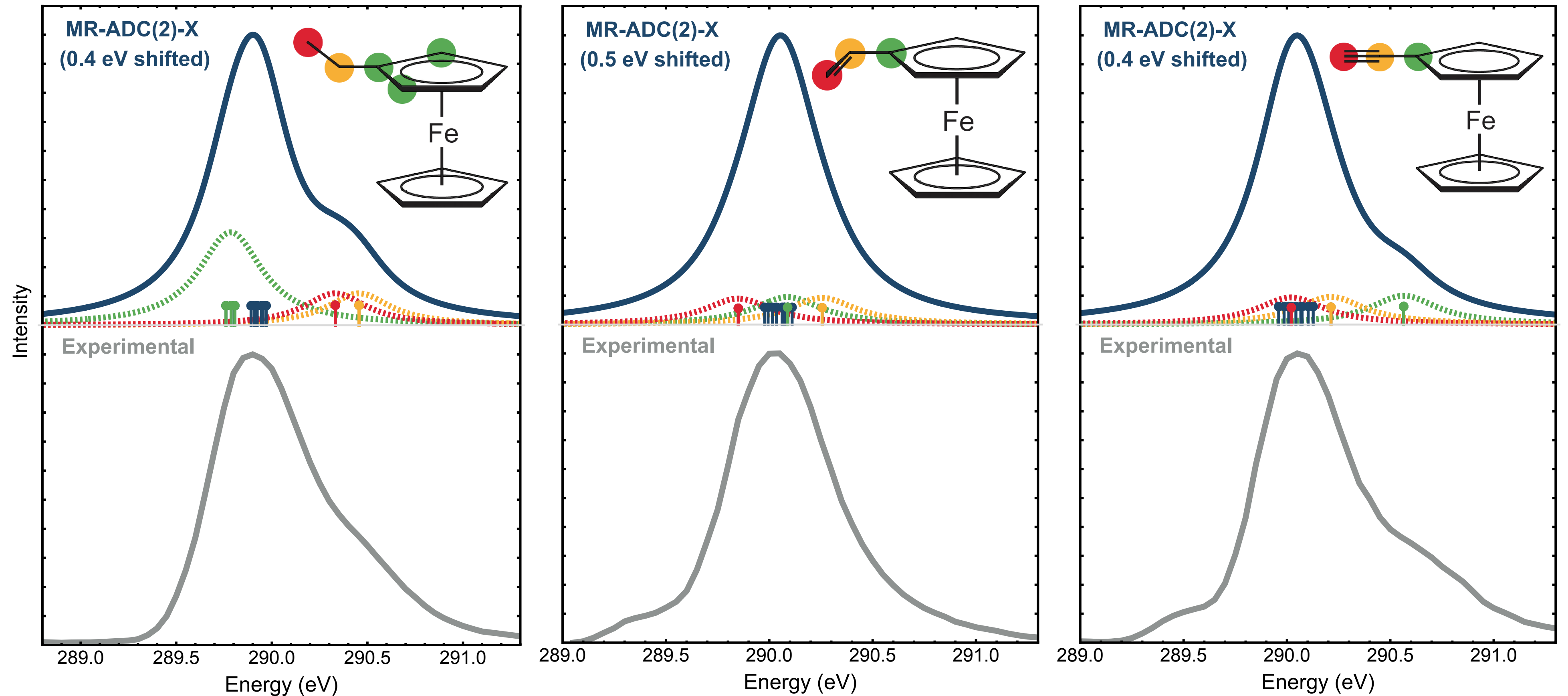
## X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy:

photoelectron  
continuum



core  
orbitals

## Substituted ferrocene C K-edge X-ray photoelectron spectra:



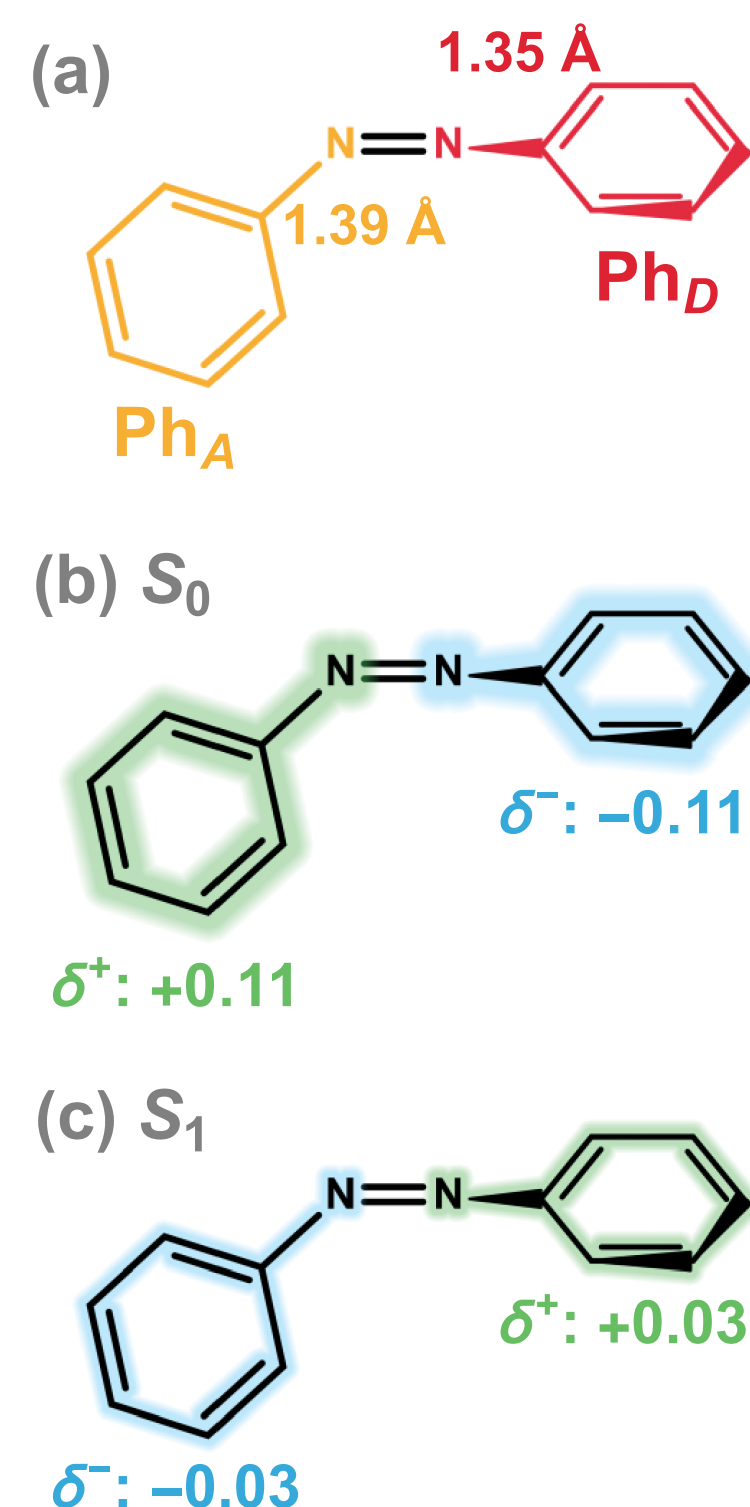
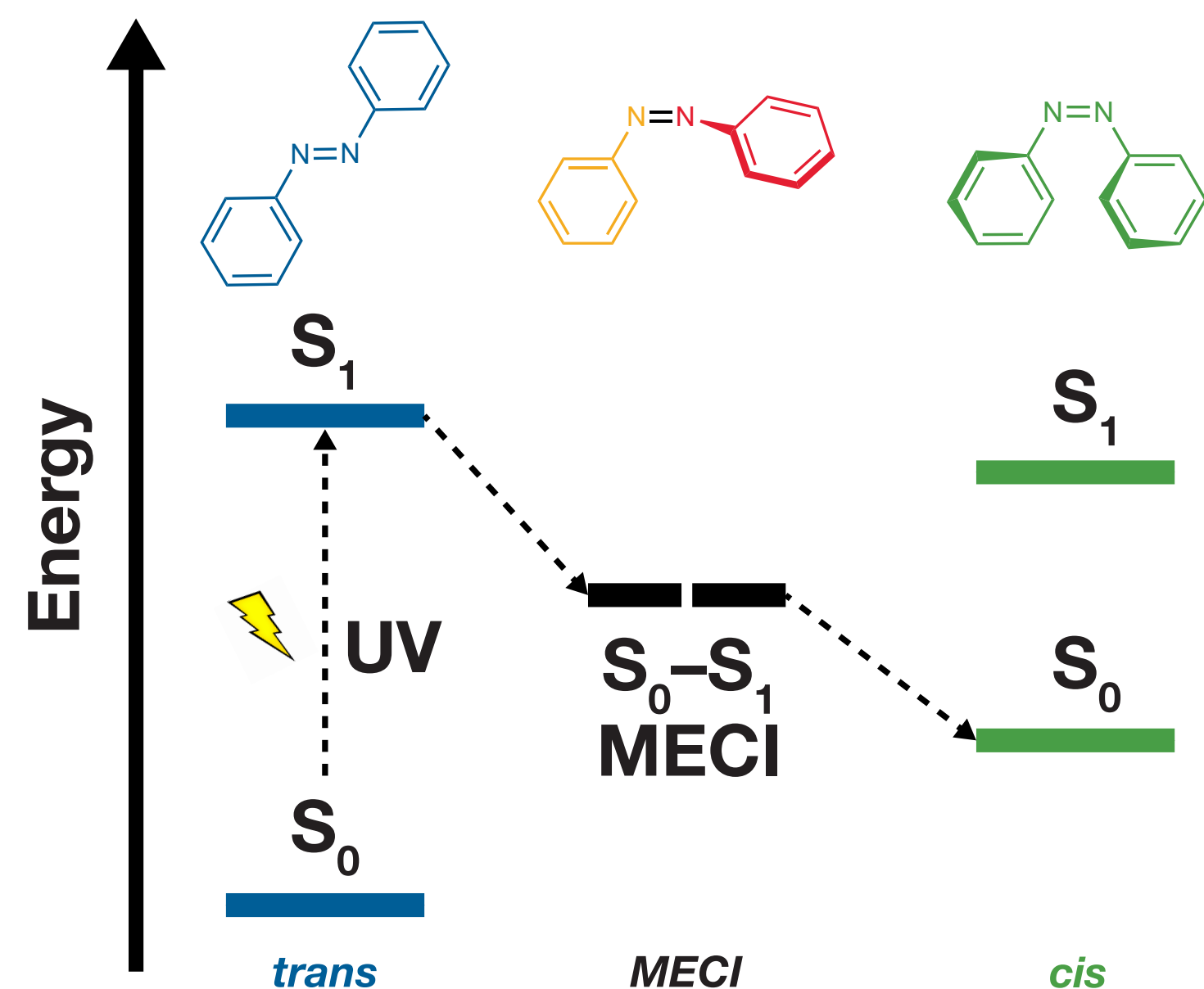
cc-pwCVQZ basis set (~1500 MO's),

X2C scalar relativistic effects, active space: (ne, no) with n = 8, 10, 12

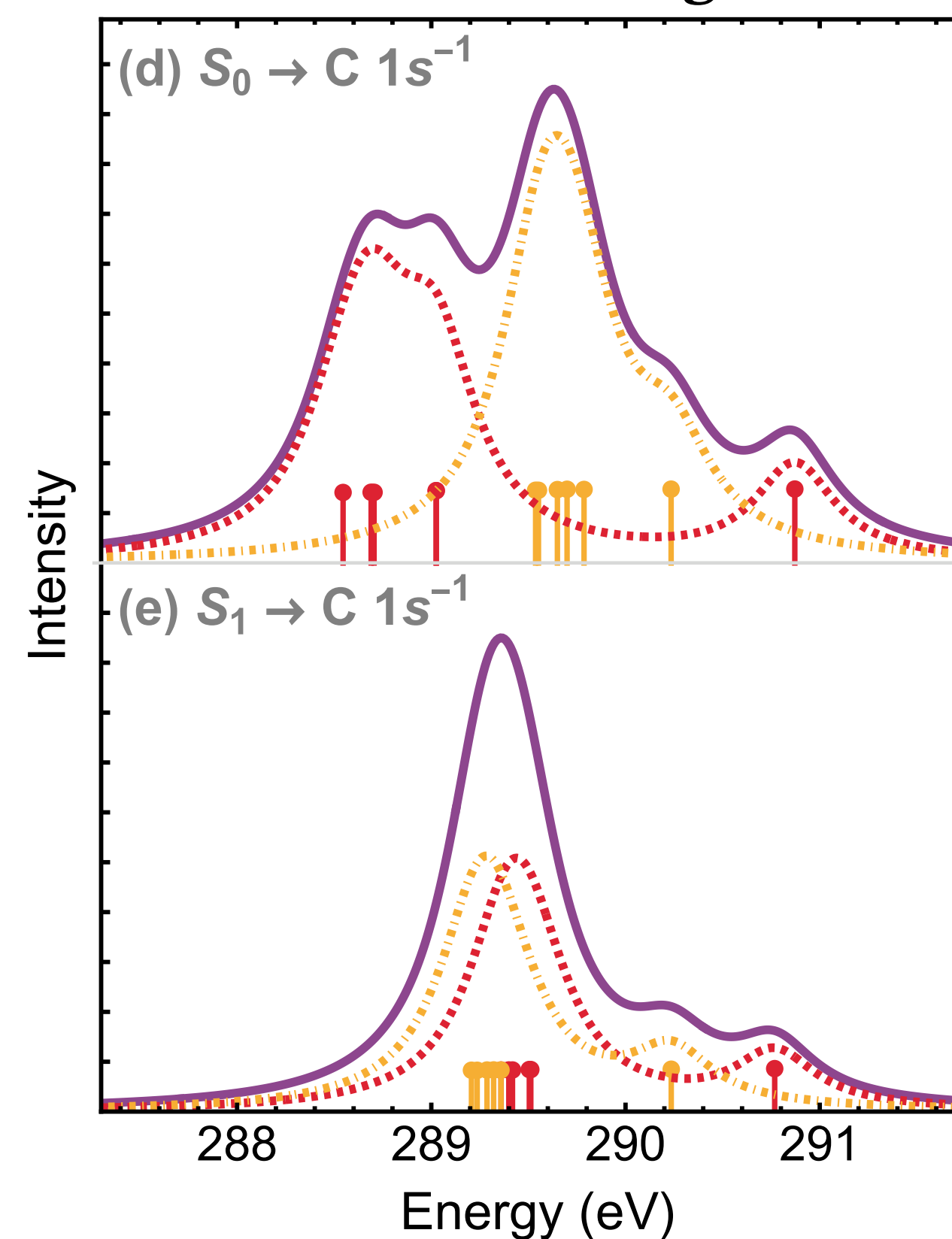
# Prism Capabilities: CVS-IP-MR-ADC

## XPS Spectra of $S_0$ - $S_1$ minimum energy conical intersection:

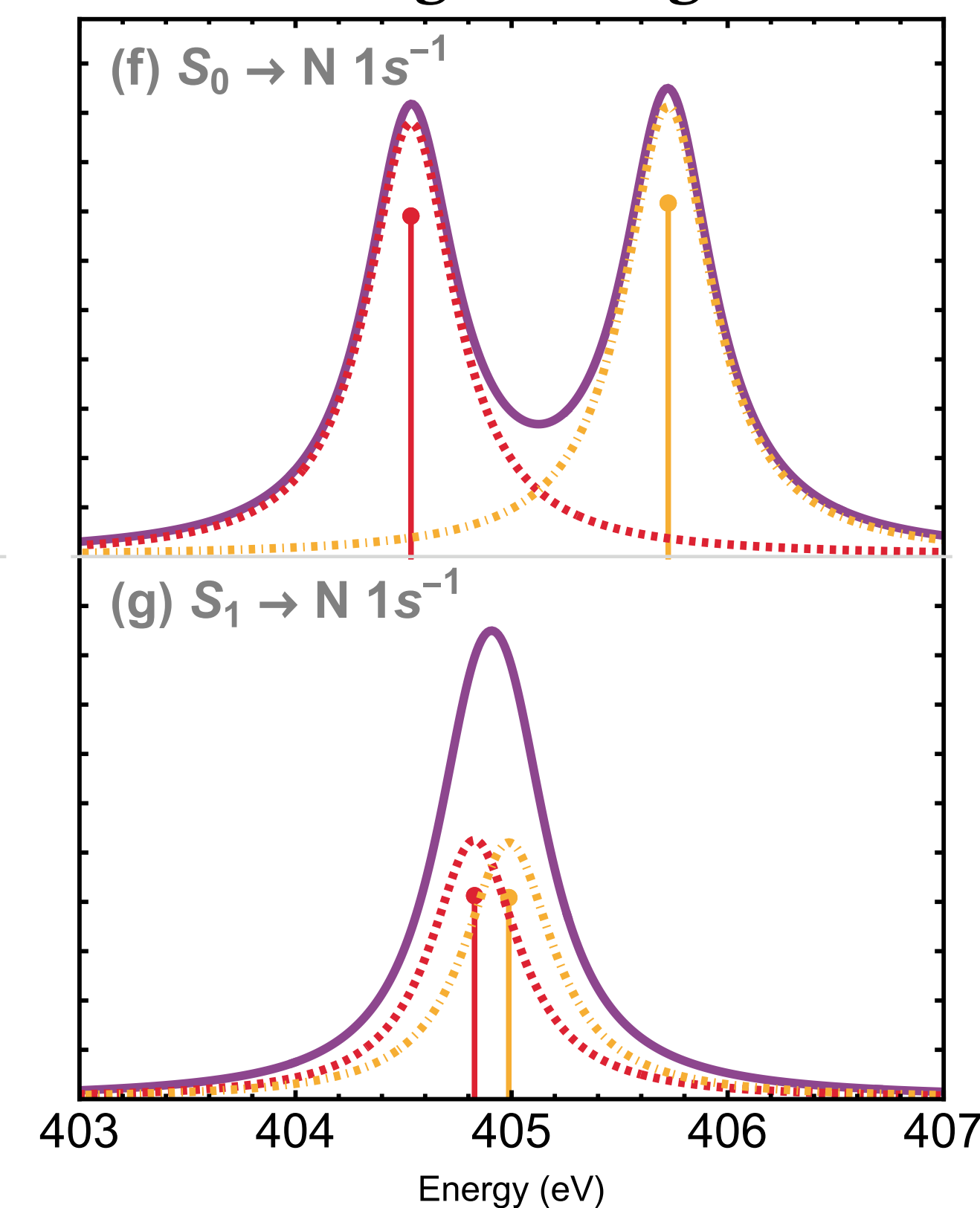
Photorelaxation  
mechanism:



Carbon K-edge:



Nitrogen K-edge:



CVS-IP-MR-ADC(2)-X, cc-pwCVQZ basis set (1476 MO's),  
X2C scalar relativistic effects, active space: (16e, 15o)

# Upcoming: Prism v.1.0 features (Summer 2026)

| New methods               | Reference                |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>CVS-EE-MR-ADC(2)</b>   | RHF, ROHF, CASCI, CASSCF |
| <b>CVS-EE-MR-ADC(2)-X</b> | RHF, ROHF, CASCI, CASSCF |
| <b>IP-MR-ADC(2)</b>       | RHF, ROHF, CASCI, CASSCF |
| <b>IP-MR-ADC(2)-X</b>     | RHF, ROHF, CASCI, CASSCF |
| <b>EA-MR-ADC(2)</b>       | RHF, ROHF, CASCI, CASSCF |
| <b>EA-MR-ADC(2)-X</b>     | RHF, ROHF, CASCI, CASSCF |

## Upcoming features:

- Enhanced integration of PySCF modules with Prism capabilities
- Second-order spin-orbit coupling in SS-NEVPT2 and QD-NEVPT2
- State-interaction spin-orbit coupling with MR-ADC
- Expanded magnetic property capabilities
- QM/MM calculations with polarizable embedding
- Helper functions for wavefunction and transition intensity analysis





- ✓ **Molecular CIS/RPA, TDA/TDDFT, IP/EA/EE-SR-ADC, EOM-CCSD, CASSCF**
- ✓ **Extensions to periodic methods for crystalline systems**
- ✓ **Density fitting**
- ✓ **Frozen core approximation**
- ✓ **Excited-state wavefunction (“eigenvector”) analysis**
- ✓ **Transition intensity analysis**
- ✓ **Dyson and natural transition orbitals**
- ✓ **Correlated one-particle densities and properties**



- ✓ **Native PySCF interface**
- ✓ **Fully internally contracted SS- and QD-NEVPT2, CVS-IP-MR-ADC**
- ✓ **Density fitting**
- ✓ **Frozen core approximation**
- ✓ **Dyson and natural transition orbitals**
- ✓ **Correlated one-particle densities and properties**
- ✓ **State-interaction spin-orbit coupling using BP and X2C-DKH1 Hamiltonians**
- ✓ **Magnetic g-tensors**

1. For your group's molecule, perform calculations using multireference methods available in PySCF and Prism
2. Investigate the dependence of results on active-space size, initial guess, number of state-averaged states
3. Tabulate the data, analyze the character of excitation, visualize densities and orbitals, assign excited states where possible
4. If possible, locate doubly excited states and analyze their electronic structure
5. Compare the performance of multireference and single-reference methods
6. Discuss pros and cons of multireference methods

## 7. Prepare short summary for the group reports in the afternoon:

- ★ Active space and state averaging:
  - ➔ What active spaces did you use and why?
  - ➔ How many states were included in the SA-CASSCF calculation?
- ★ Dynamic correlation:
  - ➔ Does dynamic correlation change the state ordering?
  - ➔ Which states receive the largest perturbative corrections, and why?
- ★ Report conclusions:
  - ★ Is multireference character important for your system?
  - ★ Which active space and method would you trust most, and why?
  - ★ Which calculations became expensive or difficult to converge?
  - ★ What would you test next if you had more time?