

## Session T72: New Approaches for Spins and Emitters

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Invited Speaker: John P Philbin

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[T72.00003: Efficient Characterization of Features in Micro-Photoluminescence Images for the Identification of Single-Photon Emitters](#)  
Leah Narun, Rebecca Fishman, Henry Shulevitz, Raj Patel, Lee Bassett

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Invited Speaker: Elizabeth A Goldschmidt

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Samuel J Haeuser, Richard Kim, Joongmok Park, Lin Zhou, Matthew J Kramer, Mark Field, Cameron J Kopas, Josh Y Mutus, Jin-Su Oh, Jigang Wang

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Anuj Goyal, Sage Bauers, Stephan Lany

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Alexander A Demkov, Agham Posadas, Daniel Wassertman, Zuoming Dong

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[T72.00008: Modeling the Optical Properties of Hidden Silicon-Vacancy Centers in Diamond](#)  
Tommy Wen J Chin, Christopher L Smallwood

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[T72.00009: Experimental and Computational Investigations of Boron-Nitrogen Pairs in Diamond for Quantum Information Applications](#)  
Anil Bilgin, Jeremy Estes, Ian N Hammock, Hannes Bernien, Alexander A High, Giulia Galli

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YUBI CHEN, Mark E Turiansky, Chris G Van de Walle

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[T72.00011: Decoherence of nitrogen-vacancy spin ensembles in diamond in the nitrogen electron-nuclear spin bath](#)  
Huijin Park, Junghyun Lee, Sangwook Han, Sangwon Oh, Hosung Seo

# Extrinsic and Intrinsic Defects in MgO and CaO as Potential Spin-Qubit Candidates

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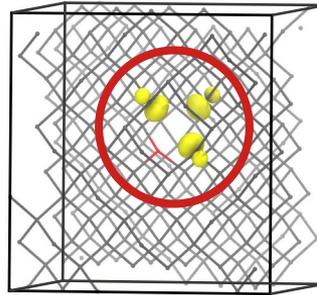
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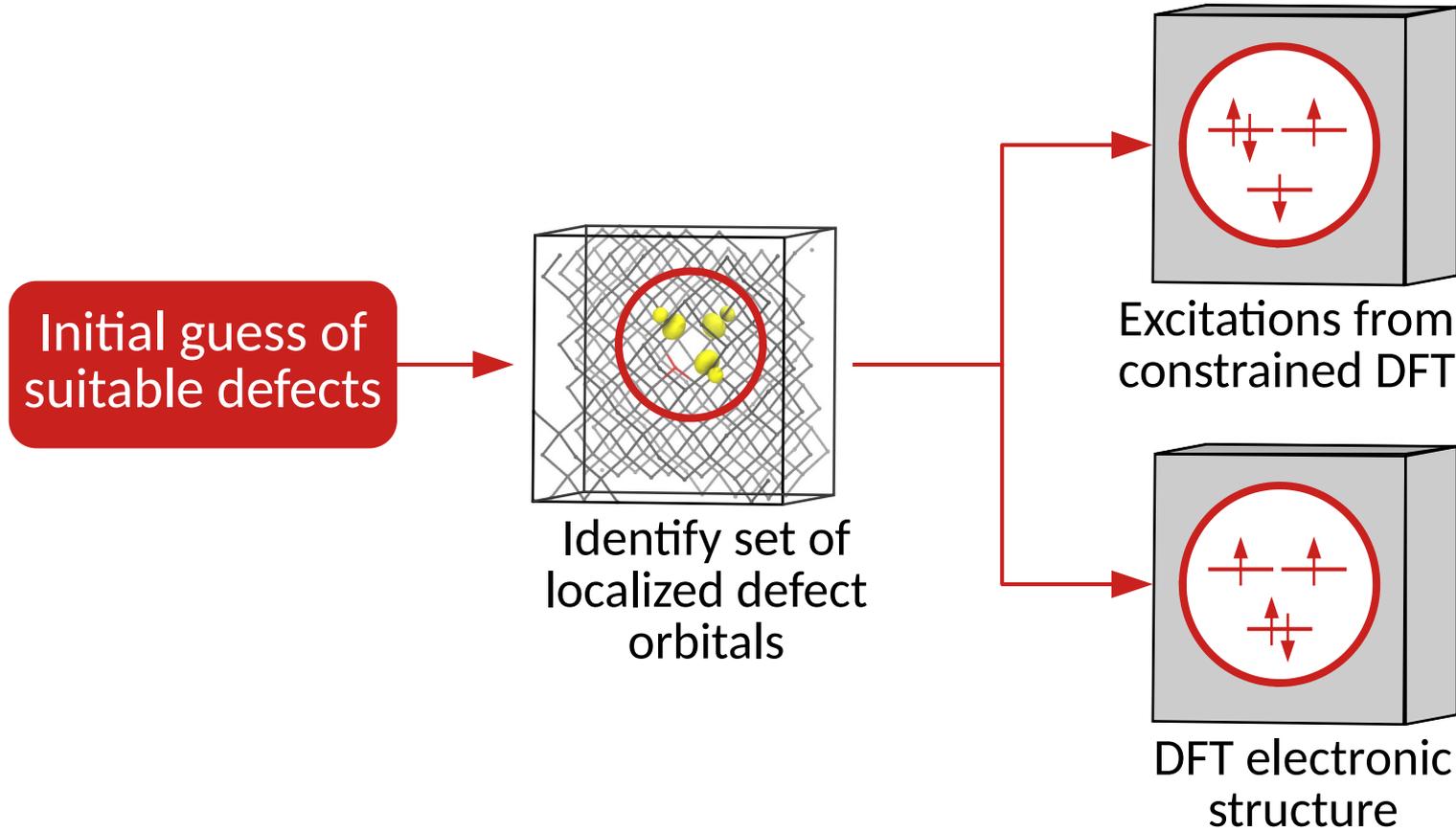


What are suitable defects in MgO and CaO ?

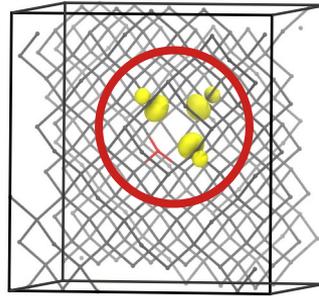
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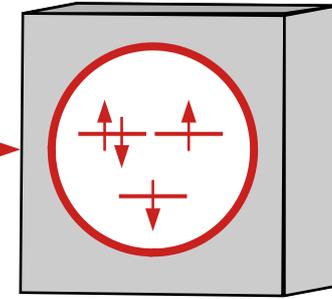
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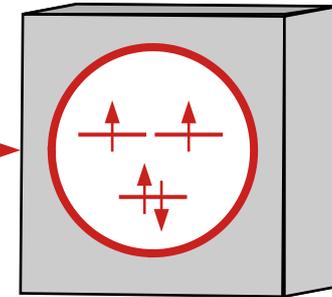
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Excitations from constrained DFT



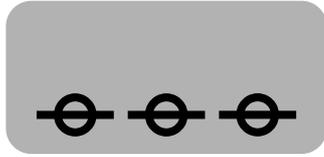
DFT electronic structure



- Quantum Espresso Calculations
- $\Gamma$ -centered 2x2x2 supercell
- SG15 ONCV pseudo-potentials
- PBE functional



## Oxygen Vacancy



- $S=0$  groundstate
- No excitations within band gap

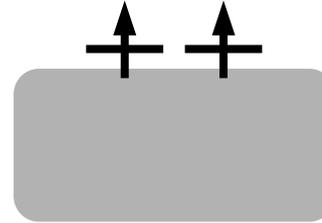


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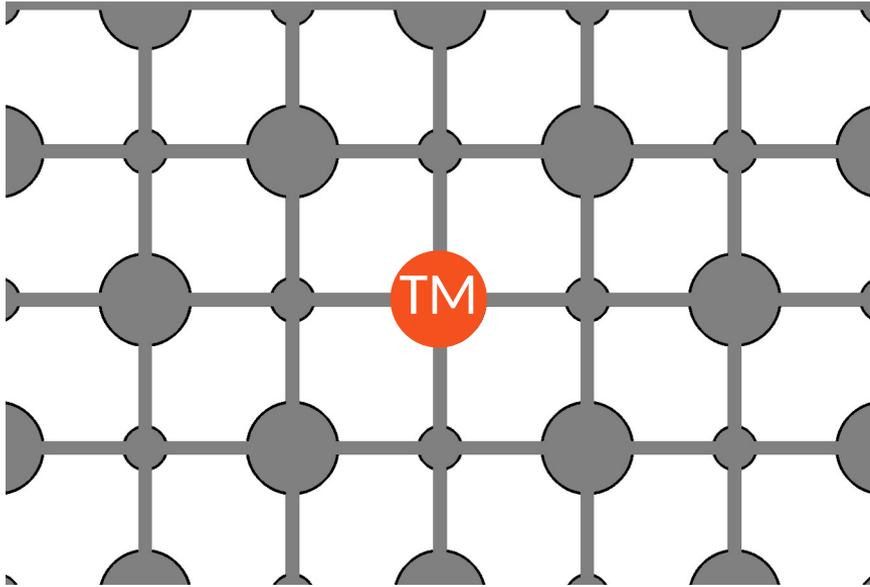
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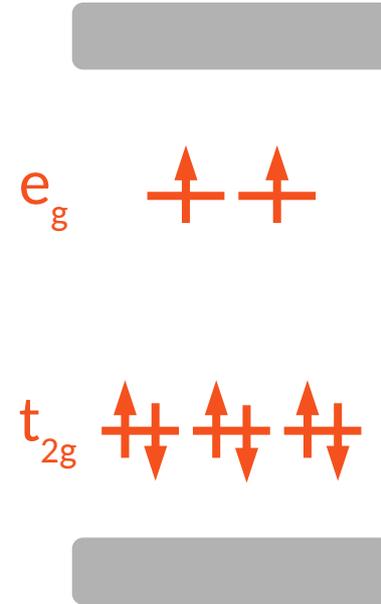
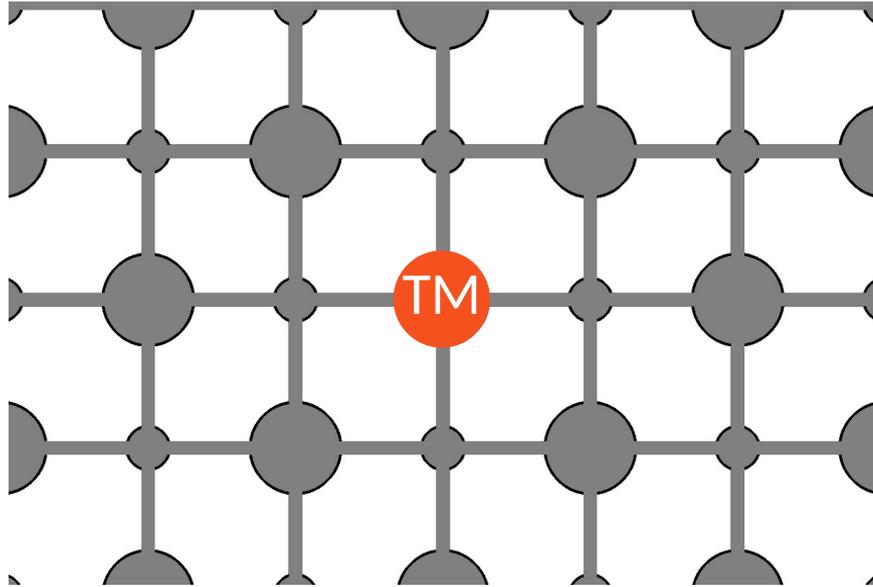


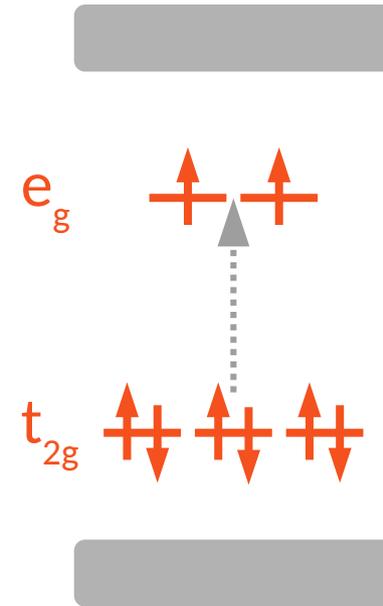
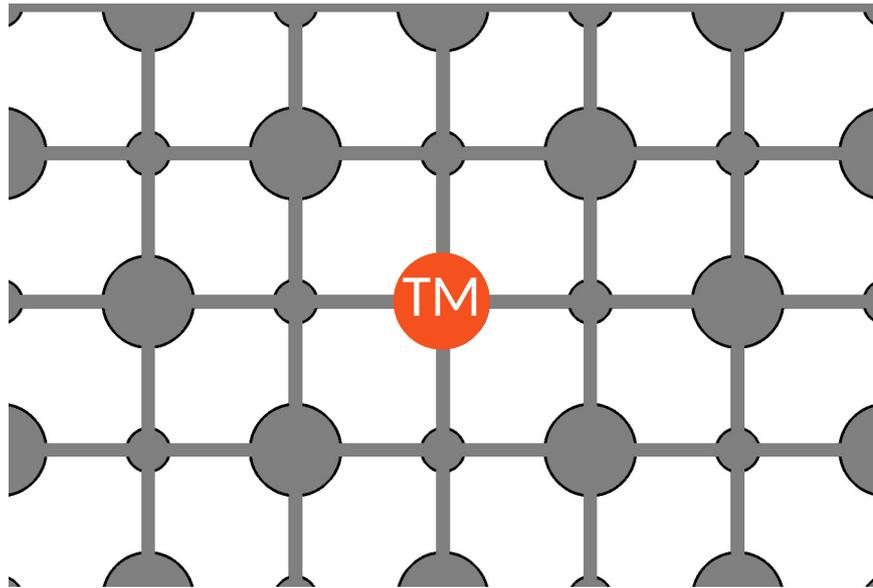
- $S=1$  groundstate
- No unoccupied defect orbital
- Only ionization possible

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	cDFT [eV]	Exp. Ref. [eV]	Theo. Ref. [eV]
Ni:MgO	1.20 (1.18)	1.00 <sup>1</sup> (0.97) <sup>2</sup>	0.84 (0.73) <sup>3</sup>
Pt:MgO	2.31 (2.26)		2.70 (2.51) <sup>4</sup>
Ni:CaO	0.56 (0.54)		
Pt:CaO	1.45 (1.40)		1.87 (1.71) <sup>4</sup>

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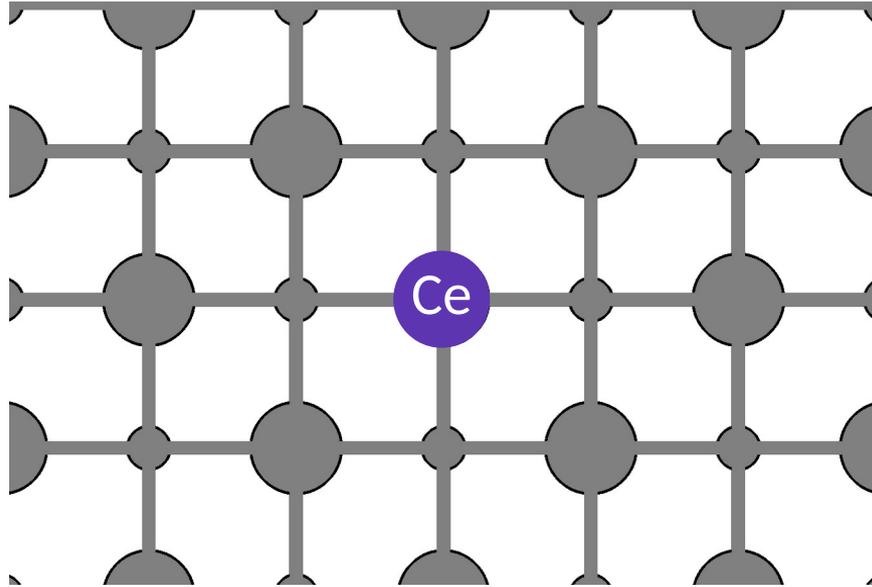
Radiative rate: 
$$\Gamma = \frac{n_D \mathbf{P}^2 E_{ZPL}^3 e^2}{3\pi\epsilon_0 c^3 \hbar^4}$$

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Ni:MgO	5183 s
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Pt:CaO	5 s
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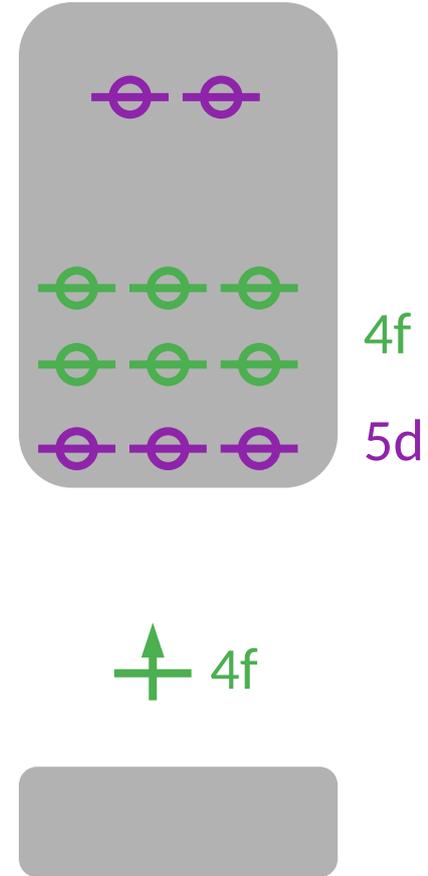
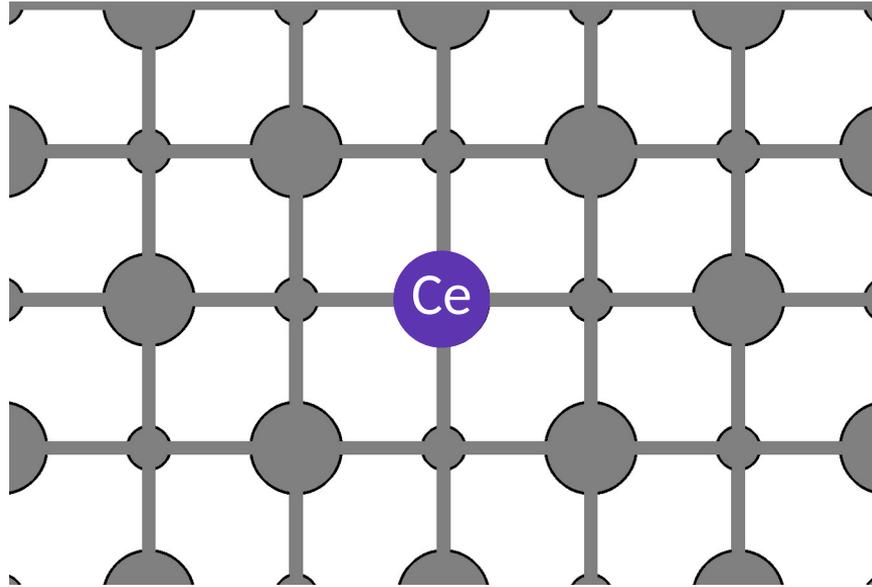


Decreasing lifetime with increasing Z and decreasing band gap

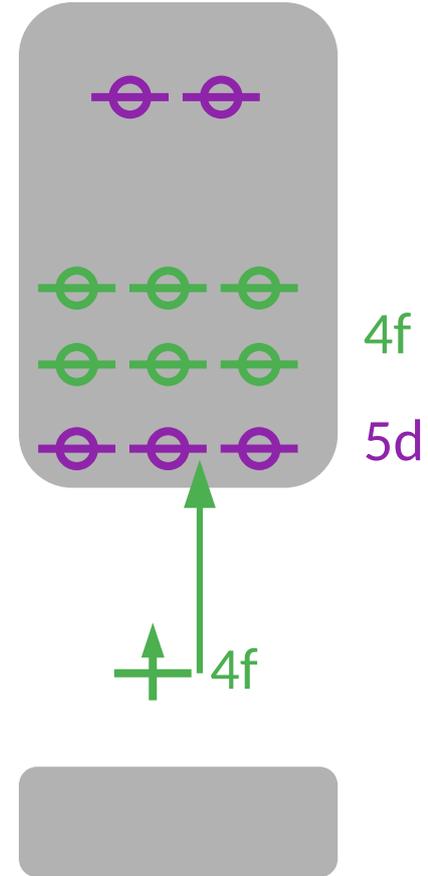
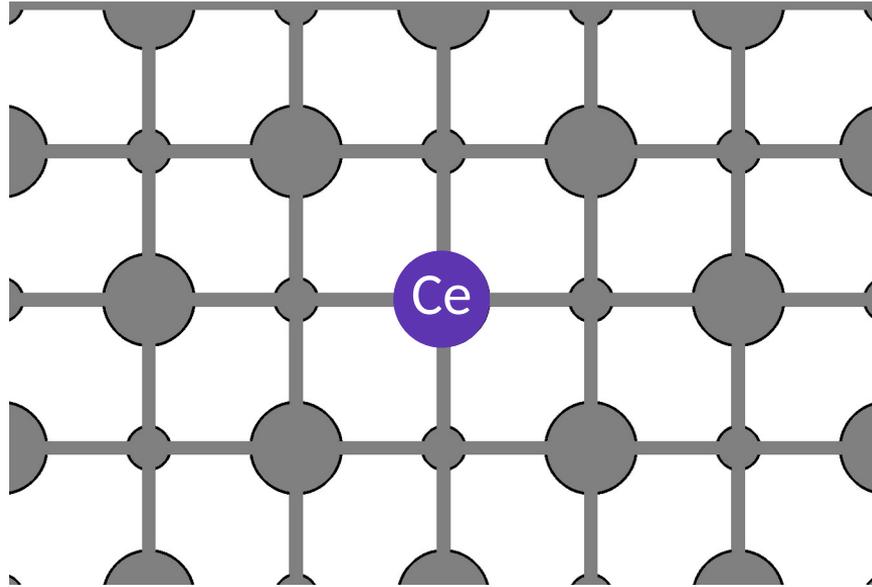
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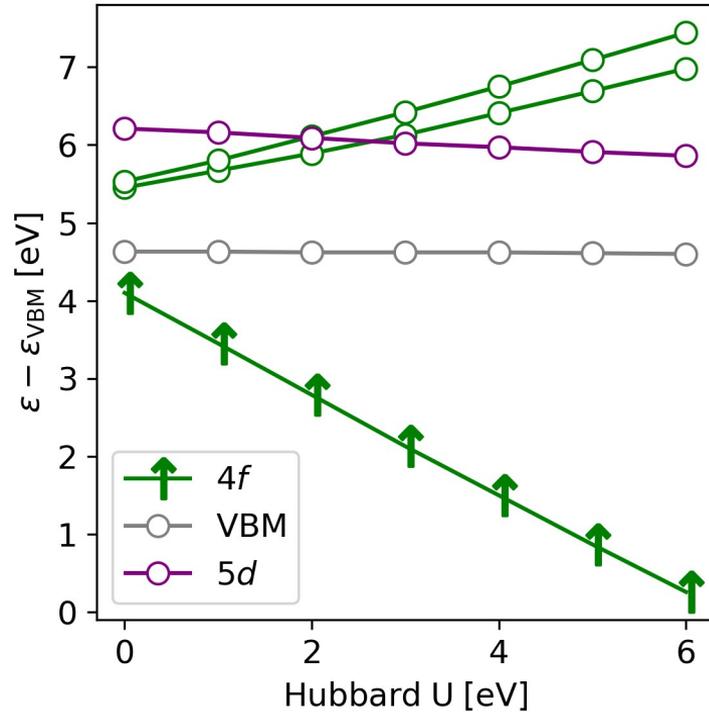


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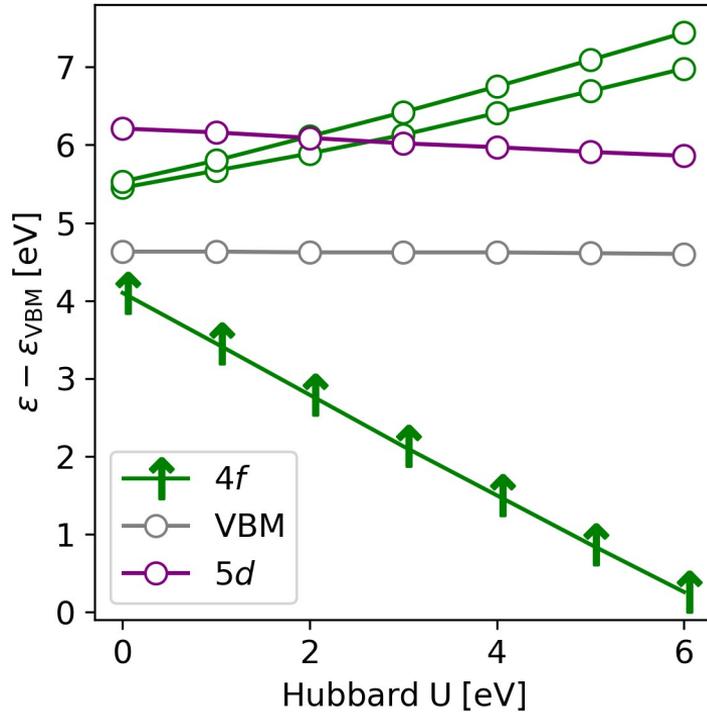
# Hubbard Corrections for Localized Ce 4f States



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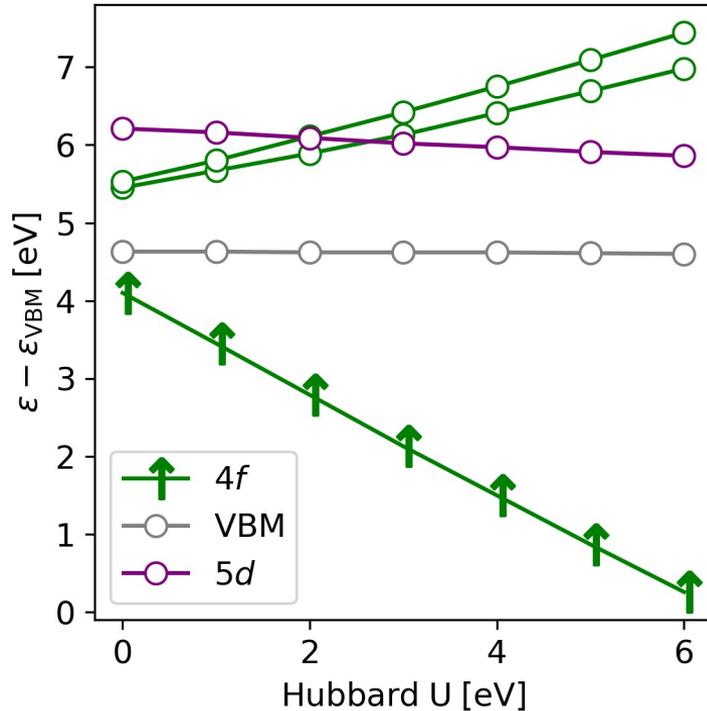


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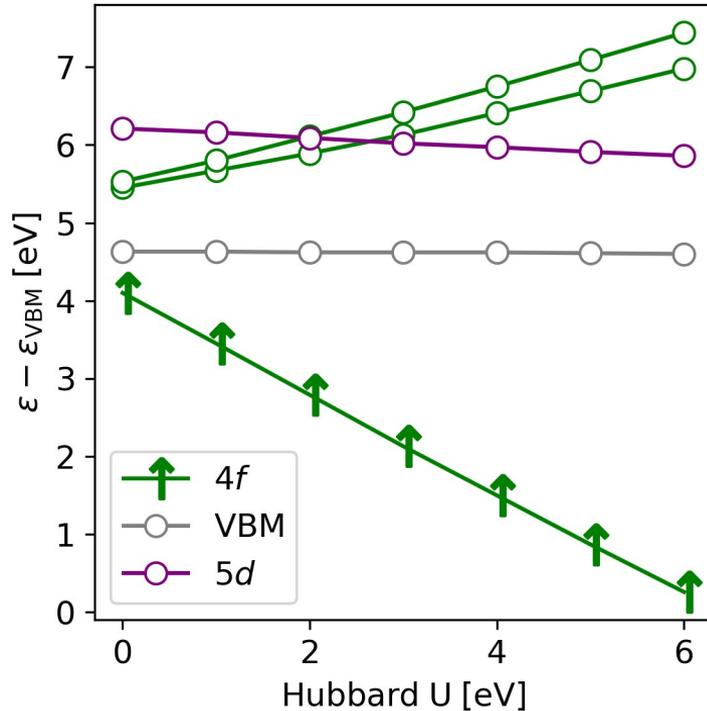
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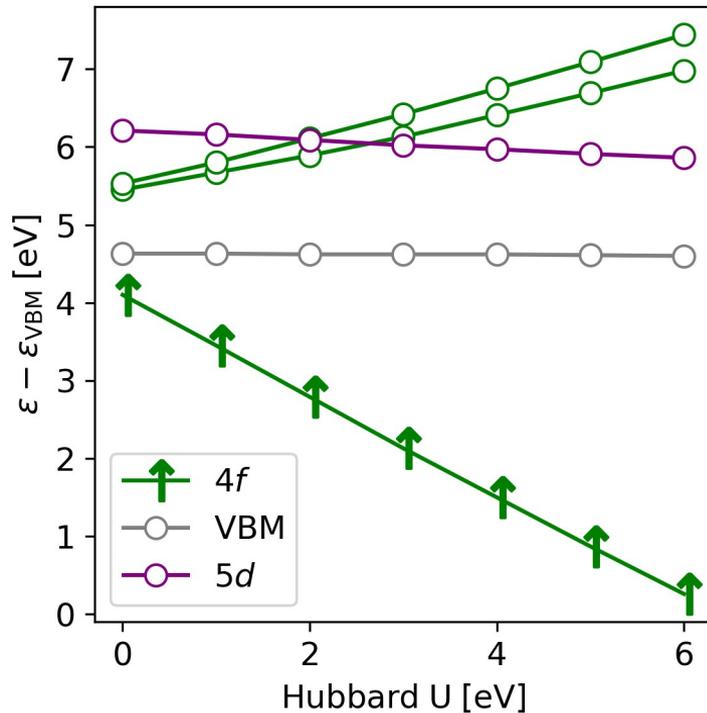
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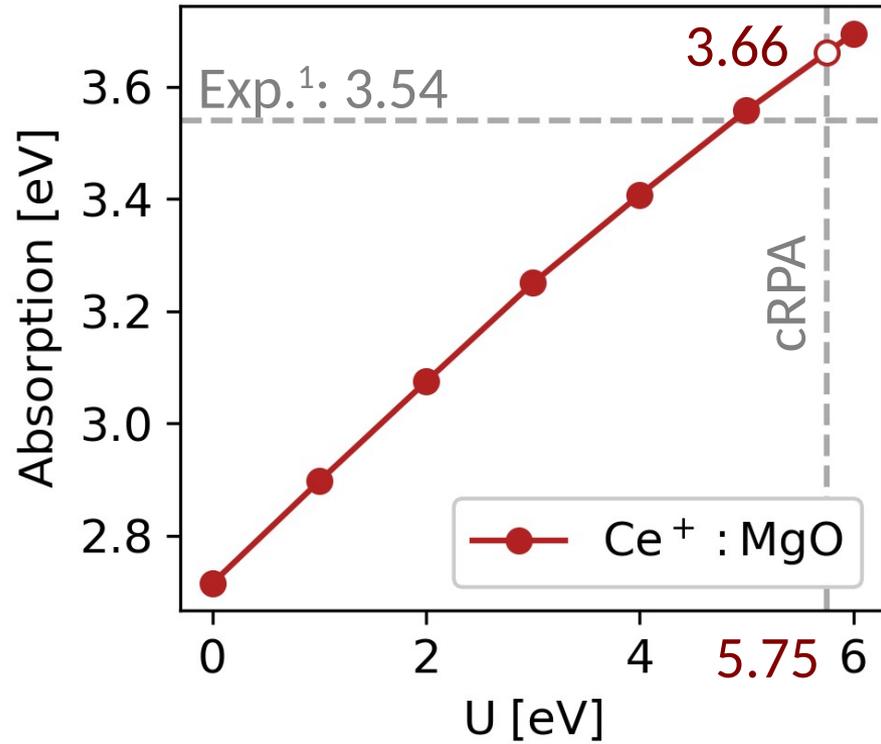


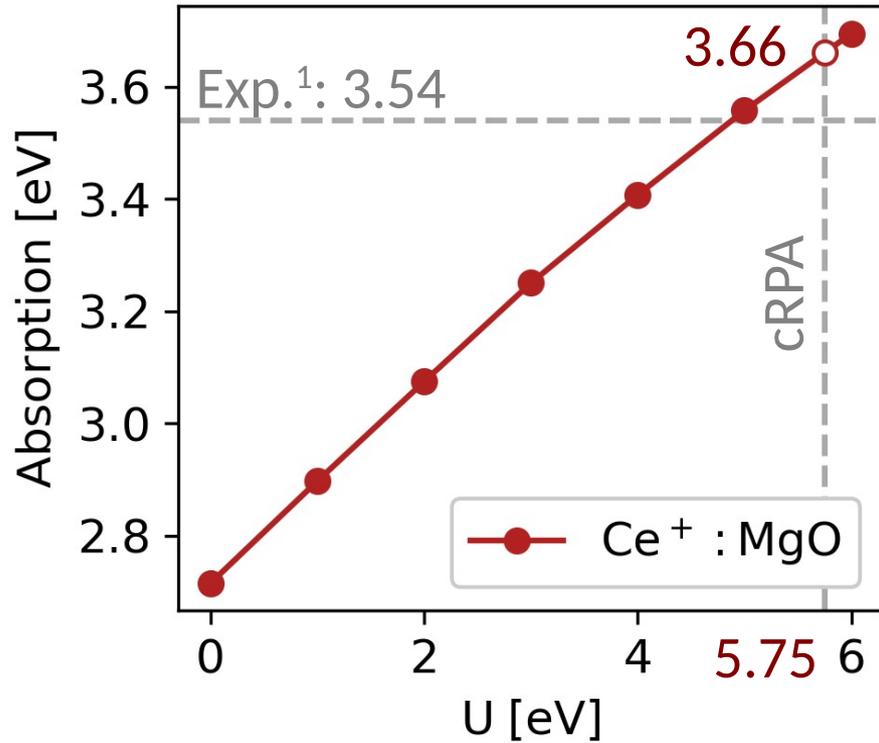
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