

density gradient vector field according to the "atoms in molecule"-theory of Bader [3]. To evaluate the atomic volumes and charges the program TOPXD [4] was used.

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Thymidin Invariom Transfer and Multipole Refinement of a 20K Data Set: a Comparison

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Nucleosides play a key role in life. Therefore they are interesting compounds for X-Ray charge density studies, because this would help to understand their biological function in more detail. The invariom approach [1] uses small theoretically calculated model compounds to derive the multipole populations without the need of high resolution data, because they are kept unrefined.

Thymidin, which is one of the DNA nucleosides, was measured at 20K with Mo-K_α radiation up to a resolution of $\sin\theta/\lambda=1.1\text{Å}^{-1}$. After the spherical refinement of the structure a multipole refinement was executed and also the recently developed invariom transfer was applied. A topological analysis was done in both approaches.

The results of the invariom transfer, the multipole refinement and the theoretical calculations were compared to have a better guess about the quality of the new approach.

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Experimental Electron Density and Topological Analysis of D- and DL- Camphoric Anhydride

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Parameter indeterminacies often encountered during pseudoatom modeling of non-centrosymmetric structures unavoidably bias the results of experimental charge density studies [1,2]. A comparative analysis of high-resolution X-ray data of both crystal forms of Camphoric Anhydride C₁₀H₁₄O₃ was performed to learn about model restrictions applicable to reduce correlations between least-squares parameter estimates and the transferability of experimental pseudoatoms. The title compound is an ideal candidate for such a study, since the two enantiomers have very similar crystal packing and thus density differences due to different intermolecular forces are expected to be negligible. All intensity data were collected at 100K using SMART 1K CCD area detector with Mo K_α radiation up to a resolution corresponding to $(\sin\theta/\lambda)_{\max} = 1.1\text{Å}^{-1}$. The multipole refinement and the analysis of the static densities were performed using the XD program suite. The results obtained by different constrained models will be presented in terms of local and integrated topological properties of the densities.

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Light on Phase IV in Ce_{0.7}La_{0.3}B₆

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The Γ₈ ground state of CeB₆, which may support, dipole, quadrupole and octupole moments, is responsible for its complex low temperature phase diagram. On cooling from the paramagnetic phase (Phase I), antiferroquadrupole (AFQ) order occurs below T_Q=3.3K (Phase II). Upon further cooling, antiferromagnetic order (AFM) additionally sets in below T_N=2.2K (Phase III). The substitution La ions for Ce, gives rise to a recently discovered new phase (Phase IV) in Ce_xLa_{1-x}B₆. For x~0.7, the ground state condenses from the paramagnetic phase into phase IV, below T_{IV}=1.5K. However, since its discovery, the nature of phase IV has confounded researchers, because the various experimental results are irreconcilable with either AFQ or AFM order [1].

We report on new resonant X-ray scattering (RXS) studies of phase IV, taken at the XMaS beamline of the ESRF. The E2 RXS cross-section can be expressed as a multipole expansion sensitive to dipole, quadrupole, octupole and hexadecapole moments [2]. From our investigation, we have discovered an E2 RXS feature, for which the azimuth dependence can be reconciled with an ordered octupole moment in phase IV. The results give, to our knowledge, the first direct evidence for a new order parameter in the Ce_{0.7}La_{0.3}B₆ ground.

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Anisotropic Displacement Parameters (ADPs) of Hydrogen Atoms. Can Invariom Modeling Contribute?

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Recently we have introduced invarioms (intermolecular transferable pseudoatoms) [1] and have shown that invariom modeling improves molecular geometry [2] for all atoms including hydrogens and overcomes the shortcomings of the independent atom model (IAM). Such modeling also improves the description of the thermal motion parameters as quantified with the Hirshfeld test.

To answer the title question we computed for a variety of small molecules hydrogen ADPs as described in [4], implemented in the XD [5] suite. In that procedure the internal displacements for all atoms are calculated by an *ab initio* methods, and then subtracted from the experimental data that also contain the external modes. The molecular C,N,O-skeleton is then fitted as a rigid body to the remains of the experimental ADPs. Finally these contributions are, together with the theoretical internal modes, assigned to the riding hydrogen atoms. These hydrogen ADPs are compared with results from an invariom structure refinement and to room temperature neutron data.

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