

## **The d-electrons of Fe in ferrocene: exceed orbital energy spectrum (EOES)**

### **Supplementary Materials**

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**Table S1** Comparison of the calculated orbital energies of Fc using HF the B3LYP models.

MO	B3LYP/m6-31G*					HF/m6-31G*				
		D <sub>5h</sub> E (a.u.)		D <sub>5d</sub> E (a.u.)	Δε (Kcal•mol <sup>-1</sup> )		D <sub>5h</sub> E (a.u.)		D <sub>5d</sub> E(a.u.)	Δε (Kcal•mol <sup>-1</sup> )
1	a <sub>1</sub> '	-256.07902	a <sub>1g</sub>	-256.07788	-0.72	a <sub>1</sub> '	-261.35039	a <sub>1g</sub>	-261.34976	-0.40
2	a <sub>1</sub> '	-30.03923	a <sub>1g</sub>	-30.03787	-0.85	a <sub>1</sub> '	-31.93078	a <sub>1g</sub>	-31.92999	-0.50
3	a <sub>2</sub> "	-25.91638	a <sub>2u</sub>	-25.91536	-0.64	a <sub>2</sub> "	-27.42944	a <sub>2u</sub>	-27.42878	-0.41
4	e <sub>1</sub> '	-25.89751	e <sub>1u</sub>	-25.89601	-0.94	e <sub>1</sub> '	-27.40418	e <sub>1u</sub>	-27.40335	-0.52
5	e <sub>1</sub> '	-25.89751	e <sub>1u</sub>	-25.89601	-0.94	e <sub>1</sub> '	-27.40418	e <sub>1u</sub>	-27.40335	-0.52
6	a <sub>1</sub> '	-10.18289	a <sub>1g</sub>	-10.18299	0.06	a <sub>1</sub> '	-11.22748	a <sub>1g</sub>	-11.22765	0.11
7	a <sub>2</sub> "	-10.18287	a <sub>2u</sub>	-10.18298	0.06	a <sub>2</sub> "	-11.22747	a <sub>2u</sub>	-11.22765	0.11
8	e <sub>1</sub> '	-10.18264	e <sub>1u</sub>	-10.18274	0.06	e <sub>1</sub> '	-11.22682	e <sub>1u</sub>	-11.22699	0.11
9	e <sub>1</sub> '	-10.18264	e <sub>1u</sub>	-10.18274	0.06	e <sub>1</sub> '	-11.22682	e <sub>1u</sub>	-11.22699	0.11
10	e <sub>1</sub> "	-10.18261	e <sub>1g</sub>	-10.18271	0.06	e <sub>1</sub> "	-11.22681	e <sub>1g</sub>	-11.22699	0.11
11	e <sub>1</sub> "	-10.18261	e <sub>1g</sub>	-10.18271	0.06	e <sub>1</sub> "	-11.22681	e <sub>1g</sub>	-11.22699	0.11
12	e <sub>2</sub> "	-10.18219	e <sub>2u</sub>	-10.18229	0.06	e <sub>2</sub> "	-11.22566	e <sub>2u</sub>	-11.22583	0.11
13	e <sub>2</sub> "	-10.18219	e <sub>2u</sub>	-10.18229	0.06	e <sub>2</sub> "	-11.22566	e <sub>2u</sub>	-11.22583	0.11
14	e <sub>2</sub> '	-10.18216	e <sub>2g</sub>	-10.18227	0.07	e <sub>2</sub> '	-11.22565	e <sub>2g</sub>	-11.22583	0.11
15	e <sub>2</sub> '	-10.18216	e <sub>2g</sub>	-10.18227	0.07	e <sub>2</sub> '	-11.22565	e <sub>2g</sub>	-11.22583	0.11
16	a <sub>1</sub> '	-3.41056	a <sub>1g</sub>	-3.40949	-0.67	a <sub>1</sub> '	-4.11094	a <sub>1g</sub>	-4.11048	-0.29
17	a <sub>2</sub> "	-2.21232	a <sub>2u</sub>	-2.21169	-0.40	a <sub>2</sub> "	-2.71397	a <sub>2u</sub>	-2.71348	-0.31
18	e <sub>1</sub> '	-2.16587	e <sub>1u</sub>	-2.16459	-0.80	e <sub>1</sub> '	-2.67898	e <sub>1u</sub>	-2.67853	-0.28
19	e <sub>1</sub> '	-2.16587	e <sub>1u</sub>	-2.16459	-0.80	e <sub>1</sub> '	-2.67898	e <sub>1u</sub>	-2.67853	-0.28
20	a <sub>1</sub> '	-0.88364	a <sub>1g</sub>	-0.88343	-0.13	a <sub>1</sub> '	-1.18319	a <sub>1g</sub>	-1.18304	-0.09
21	a <sub>2</sub> "	-0.86796	a <sub>2u</sub>	-0.86798	0.01	a <sub>2</sub> "	-1.1629	a <sub>2u</sub>	-1.16303	0.08
22	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.70583	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.70575	-0.05	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.9602	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.96021	0.01
23	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.70583	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.70575	-0.05	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.9602	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.96021	0.01
24	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.70498	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.70488	-0.06	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.9598	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.95977	-0.02
25	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.70498	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.70488	-0.06	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.9598	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.95977	-0.02
26	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.54204	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.54168	-0.23	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.74315	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.74272	-0.27
27	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.54204	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.54168	-0.23	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.74315	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.74272	-0.27
28	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.53415	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.53453	0.24	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.73117	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.73169	0.33
29	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.53415	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.53453	0.24	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.73117	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.73169	0.33
30	a <sub>1</sub> '	-0.5315	a <sub>1g</sub>	-0.53125	-0.16	a <sub>1</sub> '	-0.7242	a <sub>1g</sub>	-0.72384	-0.23
31	a <sub>2</sub> "	-0.51875	a <sub>2u</sub>	-0.51888	0.08	a <sub>2</sub> "	-0.69948	a <sub>2u</sub>	-0.69967	0.12
32	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.40515	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.40513	-0.01	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.55802	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.55828	0.16
33	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.40515	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.40513	-0.01	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.55802	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.55828	0.16
34	a <sub>1</sub> '	-0.40351	a <sub>1g</sub>	-0.40341	-0.06	a <sub>1</sub> '	-0.56217	a <sub>1g</sub>	-0.56232	0.09
35	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.39664	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.3961	-0.34	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.55251	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.55186	-0.41
36	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.39664	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.3961	-0.34	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.55251	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.55186	-0.41
37	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.37516	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.37316	-1.26	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.52637	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.52334	-1.90
38	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.37516	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.37316	-1.26	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.52637	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.52334	-1.90
39	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.3705	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.37251	1.26	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.51755	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.52087	2.08
40	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.3705	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.37251	1.26	e <sub>2</sub> "	-0.51755	e <sub>2u</sub>	-0.52087	2.08
41	a <sub>2</sub> "	-0.35211	a <sub>2u</sub>	-0.35249	0.24	a <sub>2</sub> "	-0.49016	a <sub>2u</sub>	-0.49072	0.35
42	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.26125	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.26139	0.09	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.33588	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.3361	0.14
43	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.26125	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.26139	0.09	e <sub>1</sub> "	-0.33588	e <sub>1g</sub>	-0.3361	0.14
44	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.24297	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.24265	-0.20	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.33681	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.33649	-0.20
45	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.24297	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.24265	-0.20	e <sub>1</sub> '	-0.33681	e <sub>1u</sub>	-0.33649	-0.20
46	a <sub>1</sub> '	-0.22052	a <sub>1g</sub>	-0.22	-0.33	a <sub>1</sub> '	-0.50021	a <sub>1g</sub>	-0.50003	-0.11
47	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.18877	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.18744	-0.83	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.41485	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.41484	-0.01
48	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.18877	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.18744	-0.83	e <sub>2</sub> '	-0.41485	e <sub>2g</sub>	-0.41484	-0.01

**Figure S1** Core EOES of the E-Fc and S-Fc ferrocene conformers using B3LYP/m6-31G (d) model

MO	$\Delta\varepsilon$ (Kcal $\cdot$ mol $^{-1}$ )	E-Fc ( $D_{5h}$ )	S-Fc ( $D_{5d}$ )
1 $a_1'$ ( $a_{1g}$ )	-0.72		
2 $a_1'$ ( $a_{1g}$ )	-0.85		
3 $a_2''$ ( $a_{2u}$ )	-0.64		
4, 5 $e_1'$ ( $e_{1u}$ )	-0.94		