

Magnetic Exchange and Valence Delocalization in a Mixed Valence $[\text{Fe}^{2+}\text{Fe}^{3+}\text{Te}_2]^+$ Complex: Insights from Theory and Interpretations of Magnetic and Spectroscopic Data

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Electronic Supporting Information

Starting geometry: model complex 3' with coordinate orientation as shown in Figure 6:

*xyz -1 10

26	0.000000000	0.000000000	-1.583420700
26	0.000000000	0.000000000	1.583420700
52	0.000000400	-2.017263700	0.006754900
52	0.000000400	2.017263300	-0.006754700
7	-1.473721300	-0.076011300	-3.021501000
6	-1.266211300	-0.552668500	-4.242693700
6	-0.005528300	-0.882294000	-4.756160600
1	-0.005515000	-1.397431100	-5.554832100
6	1.258228400	-0.548790700	-4.243286900
7	1.470409200	-0.047753900	-3.028238100
7	1.473722100	0.076010900	3.021501300
6	1.266212200	0.552668100	4.242693900
6	0.005529700	0.882294100	4.756159500
1	0.005515000	1.397431100	5.554832100
6	-1.258227500	0.548790200	4.243287200
7	-1.470409200	0.047753900	3.028238100
6	-2.807147300	0.493994300	-2.791488800
1	-2.883670700	0.868519400	-1.761458900
1	-2.992699100	1.346894800	-3.465420700
1	-3.601774000	-0.254382800	-2.958077500
6	2.835994100	0.419045300	-2.772867600
1	3.371132200	0.629896400	-3.713205500

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1  2.812876000  1.339204200 -2.170777300
1  3.414979600 -0.338158600 -2.215567700
1  2.128434700 -0.702705800 -4.898389600
1  -2.138491700 -0.708201700 -4.896342400
6  -2.835334100 -0.421125100  2.773458700
1  -3.370638100 -0.630180200  3.714114800
1  -3.415411200  0.333477500  2.213777900
1  -2.810704400 -1.343004100  2.174024400
1  -2.128464600  0.702628900  4.898372000
1  2.138425700  0.708061400  4.896461500
6  2.807455200 -0.493221300  2.791316300
1  2.882857700 -0.870438200  1.762185900
1  3.601470800  0.256552600  2.954527700
1  2.995077100 -1.343990400  3.467364300

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1) A CASSCF calculation for the $S=9/2$ state using a small artificial shift of 0.01 Å of the two bridging Te²⁻ ligands from left to right along with the “actorbs locorbs” command allows to localize the extra electron on Fe1 thus creating a proper Fe1(d6)Fe(d5) initial guess of orbitals; five 3d orbitals of Fe1(d6) should be on the left, five 3d orbitals should be on the right, Fe(d5); otherwise rotate using the “%scf rotate {126,134,90}... end end” command, along with “maxiter 1”, “actorbs unchanged” and “!keepfock”

“asym.inp”:

```
!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 allowrhf notrah
```

```
!nomulliken noloewdin
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxcore 9000
```

```
end
```

```
%basis
```

```
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
```

```
end
```

```
%rel
```

```
method DKH
```

```
PictureChange 2
```

```
order 2
```

```
end
```

```
!keepfock # keeps the Fock matrix computed using natural orbitals within the CAS(11,10) active space
```

```
%casscf
```

```
nel 11
```

```
norb 10
```

```
mult 10
```

```
nroots 5
```

```
actorbs locorbs
```

```
trafostep rimo
```

```
maxiter 300
```

```
end
```

```
*xyz -1 10
```

```
26 0.000000000 0.000000000 -1.583420700
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6 -1.266211300 -0.552668500 -4.242693700
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1 -0.005515000 -1.397431100 -5.554832100
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6 1.258228400 -0.548790700 -4.243286900
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7 1.470409200 -0.047753900 -3.028238100
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7 1.473722100 0.076010900 3.021501300
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```
6 1.266212200 0.552668100 4.242693900
```

This produce an "asym.gbw" file.

2) The calculation is now being repeated by reading the "asym.gbw" using the initial non-distorted structure;

The "asym.gbw" file computed with the distorted geometry is being accepted when using the non-distorted one.

"sym.inp":

```
!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 allowrhf notrah
```

```
!nomulliken noloewdin
```

```
!moread
```

```
%moinp "asym.gbw"
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxcore 9000
```

```
end
```

```
%basis
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
end

%rel
method DKH
PictureChange 2
order 2
end

!keepfock

%cascef
nel 11
norb 10
mult 10
nroots 5
actorbs locorbs
trafostep rimo
maxiter 300
end

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26 0.000000000 0.000000000 -1.583420700
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1 0.005515000 1.397431100 5.554832100
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1  -2.992699100  1.346894800  -3.465420700
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6   2.807455200  -0.493221300  2.791316300
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1   2.995077100  -1.343990400  3.467364300

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3) “cp sym.fsv sym2.fsv”; “cp sym.gbw sym2.gbw” – this is just to avoid overwriting “sym.gbw”

The command “orca_blockf sym2.fsv sym2.gbw 126 130 131 135” is used to produce a very compact form of the Fock matrix which speeds up all following calculations by a factor of two; orca_blockf reads the 10x10 Fock matrix and diagonalizes the sub-blocks 126 to 130 for FeII(d6) and 131 to 135 for FeIII(d5). It then overwrites the sym.gbw file with the new Fock orbitals – the eigenvectors of each block. Upon execution the following information is given at the screen(“orca_blockf sym.fsv sym.gbw 126 130 131 135 >file.txt” would save it in a file).

Fock matrix file: sym4.fsv

GBW file : sym4.gbw

Block 0 = 126 to 130

Block 1 = 131 to 135

Successfully read the orbitals matrix of dimension 810

Successfully read the Fock matrix of dimension 810

Starting block diagonalization:

Local Fock Matrix

```

      0      1      2      3      4
0  -0.033802  0.011017 -0.001565  0.003796  0.000937

```

1	0.011017	-0.035832	-0.003448	0.004698	-0.000817
2	-0.001565	-0.003448	-0.033682	-0.010365	0.000896
3	0.003796	0.004698	-0.010365	-0.036396	0.001074
4	0.000937	-0.000817	0.000896	0.001074	-0.038011

Local Eigenvectors

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0.652878	0.012009	0.053593	-0.555942	0.511530
1	-0.731277	0.145256	-0.143108	-0.389880	0.521199
2	-0.146075	-0.609748	0.073352	-0.613818	-0.474042
3	-0.042919	-0.756955	0.151460	0.400403	0.491848
4	-0.125717	0.184344	0.973821	-0.042739	0.007650

Local Eigenvalues (eV)

0	-1.257744
1	-1.250866
2	-1.023289
3	-0.829020
4	-0.475170

Local Fock Matrix

	0	1	2	3	4
0	-0.170620	0.001854	0.002583	0.000789	0.016022
1	0.001854	-0.165866	-0.001708	-0.001624	-0.001475
2	0.002583	-0.001708	-0.170027	-0.016406	-0.000073
3	0.000789	-0.001624	-0.016406	-0.166890	-0.000298
4	0.016022	-0.001475	-0.000073	-0.000298	-0.166678

Local Eigenvectors

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0.531958	-0.519115	0.083613	-0.516270	0.417150
1	-0.153105	0.004219	0.988170	0.003653	0.006946
2	-0.537569	-0.500678	-0.086458	0.382762	0.553498
3	-0.468363	-0.477473	-0.064775	-0.473254	-0.569640
4	-0.430390	0.501839	-0.069704	-0.602475	0.441688

Local Eigenvalues (eV)

0	-5.100016
1	-4.977158
2	-4.499366
3	-4.166790
4	-4.116405

Writing GBW file sym.gbw

.... all done ... leaving gracefully

4) Inputs for the state specific CASSCF/NEVPT2 calculations of the $S=1/2$, $S=3/2$, $S=5/2$, $S=7/2$ and $S=9/2$ spin-ladder states, please notice the request of computing two roots for each ladder spin.

$S=1/2$; "1over22roots.inp"

!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 ri-jk conv tightscf notrah

!xyzfile normalprint

!nevpt2

!moread

%moinp "sym2.gbw"

! somf(1x)

%cpcm

surfacetypе vdw_gaussian

num_leb 302

end

%scf

maxcore 9000

end

%scf

maxiter 300

end

%basis

newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end

end

%rel

method DKH

PictureChange 2

order 2

end

```
!keepfock
```

```
%casscf
```

```
nel 11
```

```
norb 10
```

```
mult 2
```

```
nroots 2
```

```
actorbs unchanged
```

```
actconstraints 1
```

```
printgstate 1
```

```
ptsettings
```

```
  d4tpre 1e-14
```

```
end
```

```
ci
```

```
maxiter 300
```

```
nguessmat 4500
```

```
end
```

```
trafostep rimo
```

```
end
```

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*xyz -1 10
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Input files for $S=3/2$, $5/2$, $7/2$ and $9/2$ are generated by just replacing the “mult 2” keyword by 4,6,8 and 10, respectively.

Numerical results for total CASSCF and CASSCF/NEVPT2 energies are collected in the Table below.

Spin S	CASSCF	CASSCF/NEVPT2	Timing PAL16
1/2	-16727.95407159654496 -16727.95331723532217	-16731.74399761719178 -16731.74413249810823	2 hours 41 minutes
3/2	-16727.95370539729265 -16727.95300107157891	-16731.74305280171029 -16731.74325040547046	2 hours 54 minutes
5/2	-16727.95313078911568 -16727.95251541185644	-16731.74160971988022 -16731.74192477801626	54 minutes
7/2	-16727.95239625727845 -16727.95191527828865	-16731.73984355355424 -16731.74033972478719	57 minutes
9/2	-16727.95156451025105 -16727.95126441148750	-16731.73799803745351 -16731.73867055172741	55 minutes

These have been utilized in the following sample MatLab script yielding best fit J and J' values and standard deviations in Table 4, “State specific CASSCF, CASSCF/NEVPT2 columns. In the same way other entries of Table 4 have been computed.

MatLab script: fe2te2jj1suppinf.m

```

clear all
clc
% % % CAS(11,10) state specific, CASSCF
% %
% %
eref=[
% S=1/2
-16727.95407159654496 -16727.95331723532217
% S=3/2
-16727.95370539729265 -16727.95300107157891
% S=5/2
-16727.95313078911568 -16727.95251541185644
% S=7/2
-16727.95239625727845 -16727.95191527828865

```

```

% S=9/2
-16727.95156451025105  -16727.95126441148750
];

% % % CAS(11,10) state specific, CASSCF+NEVPT2
% %
% %
% eref=[
% % S=1/2
%   -16731.74399761719178  -16731.74413249810823
% % S=3/2
%   -16731.74305280171029   -16731.74325040547046
% % S=5/2
%   -16731.74160971988022   -16731.74192477801626
% % S=7/2
%   -16731.73984355355424   -16731.74033972478719
% % S=9/2
%   -16731.73799803745351   -16731.73867055172741
% ];

eref2=(eref(:,1)+eref(:,2))/2;
eref2=(eref2-eref2(1,1))*8065*27.211;
eref22=eref2-eref2(5)

%
S=[1/2  3/2  5/2  7/2  9/2]
bparameters(5)=zeros;
for i=1:5
bparameters(i)=((eref(i,2)-eref(i,1))/2*8065*27.211/(S(i)+1/2));
end

bparameters

% fit to an isotropic non-Heisenberg exchange hamiltonian:
% -2Jab(Sa*Sb)-2Jlab*(Sa*Sb)^2
% with the Heisenberg exchange (the first term) and the biquadratic
% exchange (the second term)
A(5,2)=zeros;
for i=1:5
A(i,1)=-S(i)*(S(i)+1);
A(i,2)=-S(i)*(S(i)+1)^2;
end

B(4,2)=zeros;
A(1:5,:)=A(1:5,:)-A(1,:);
B(1,:)=A(2,:);
B(2,:)=A(3,:);
B(3,:)=A(4,:);
B(4,:)=A(5,:);
Y(1,1)=eref2(2,1);
Y(2,1)=eref2(3,1);

```

```

Y(3,1)=eref2(4,1);
Y(4,1)=eref2(5,1);
eref2

% Y(1,1)=data6(1,1);
% Y(2,1)=data6(2,1);
% Y(3,1)=data6(3,1);
% Y(4,1)=data6(4,1);

% B*X=Y; X=pinv(B)*Y;
% Heisenberg plus Biqadratic
% X(1)=Jab; X(2)=Jab'
X=pinv(B)*Y
Ycalc=B*X;
plot(Y,Ycalc,'o')
compar=[Y Ycalc]
diff=Y-Ycalc
stand_dev=sqrt(diff'*diff/3)
plot(Y,Ycalc,'o')

```

5. Input files for calculation of the spin-orbit coupling multiplets (Table 5).

Computations of multiplet fine structures inevitably requires account of spin-orbit coupling. In this work it is taken into account using quasidegenerate perturbation theory within the scalar relativistic basis, best using the entire Hilbert space of a given spin. Here we used the lowest 40 scalar relativistic eigenfunctions and energy eigenvalues which yields a correct reproduction of the fine structure of the lowest spin. The following input was used to generate a proper well-balanced description of scalar relativistic eigenvalues which treats different spin energy levels on equal footing. Each local $S=2$ FeII(d6) state couples to the $S=5/2$ ground state of FeIII(d5) to yield $S=1/2, 3/2, 5/2, 7/2$ and $9/2$ pair state. Since there are five $S=2$ states of FeII(d6) this results in five scalar relativistic roots for each ladder spin.

“5roots.inp”:

```

!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 ri-jk conv tightscf notrah
!xyzfile normalprint
!nevpt2
!moread
%moinp "sym2.gbw"

! somf(1x)

%cpcm
surfacetype vdw_gaussian
num_leb 302
end

%scf
maxcore 9000
end

%scf

```

```
maxiter 300
end

%basis
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
end

%rel
method DKH
PictureChange 2
order 2
end

!keepfock
%casscf
nel 11
norb 10
mult 10,8,6,4,2
nroots 5,5,5,5,5
actorbs unchanged
actconstraints 1
printstate 1
ptsettings
  d4tpre 1e-14
end
ci
maxiter 300
nguessmat 4500
end
trafostep rimo
end

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26 0.000000000 0.000000000 -1.583420700
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6	-1.266211300	-0.552668500	-4.242693700
6	-0.005528300	-0.882294000	-4.756160600
1	-0.005515000	-1.397431100	-5.554832100
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1	-2.810704400	-1.343004100	2.174024400
1	-2.128464600	0.702628900	4.898372000
1	2.138425700	0.708061400	4.896461500
6	2.807455200	-0.493221300	2.791316300
1	2.882857700	-0.870438200	1.762185900
1	3.601470800	0.256552600	2.954527700
1	2.995077100	-1.343990400	3.467364300

*

This calculation yields a 5roots.gbw file which provides proper initial guess for the calculation of the fine structure of the $S=1/2, 3/2, 5/2, 7/2$ and $9/2$ ground states. Here we list the input file for the calculation of the $S=3/2$ ground state Kramer's quartet.

“s3over240roots.inp”:

```
!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 ri-jk conv tightscf notrah
```

```
!xyzfile normalprint
```

```
!nevpt2
```

```
!moread
%moinp "5roots.gbwn"

! somf(1x)

%epcm
surfacetype vdw_gaussian
num_leb 302
end

%scf
maxcore 9000
end

%scf
maxiter 300
end

%basis
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
end

%rel
method DKH
PictureChange 2
order 2
end

!keepfock

%casscf
nel 11
norb 10
mult 4
nroots 40
actorbs unchanged
actconstraints 1
```

```
maxiter 1
printgstate 1
ptsettings
  d4tpre 1e-14
end
ci
maxiter 300
nguessmat 4500
end
trafostep rimo
rel
dosoc true
gtensor true
printlevel 3
NDoubGTensor 16
domagnetization true
dosusceptibility true
nPointsFStep 5
MAGFieldStep 100.0
MAGTemperatureMIN 0
MAGTemperatureMAX 3
MAGTemperatureNPoints 100
MAGFieldMIN 70000.0
MAGFieldMAX 10000.0
MAGNpoints 3
SUSTempMIN 0
SUSTempMAX 200.0
SUSNPoints 150
SUSStatFieldMIN 10000.0
SUSStatFieldMAX 10000.0
SUSStatFieldNPoints 1
end
end

*xyz -1 10
26  0.000000000  0.000000000  -1.583420700
26  0.000000000  0.000000000   1.583420700
52  0.000000400  -2.017263700   0.006754900
```

52	0.000000400	2.017263300	-0.006754700
7	-1.473721300	-0.076011300	-3.021501000
6	-1.266211300	-0.552668500	-4.242693700
6	-0.005528300	-0.882294000	-4.756160600
1	-0.005515000	-1.397431100	-5.554832100
6	1.258228400	-0.548790700	-4.243286900
7	1.470409200	-0.047753900	-3.028238100
7	1.473722100	0.076010900	3.021501300
6	1.266212200	0.552668100	4.242693900
6	0.005529700	0.882294100	4.756159500
1	0.005515000	1.397431100	5.554832100
6	-1.258227500	0.548790200	4.243287200
7	-1.470409200	0.047753900	3.028238100
6	-2.807147300	0.493994300	-2.791488800
1	-2.883670700	0.868519400	-1.761458900
1	-2.992699100	1.346894800	-3.465420700
1	-3.601774000	-0.254382800	-2.958077500
6	2.835994100	0.419045300	-2.772867600
1	3.371132200	0.629896400	-3.713205500
1	2.812876000	1.339204200	-2.170777300
1	3.414979600	-0.338158600	-2.215567700
1	2.128434700	-0.702705800	-4.898389600
1	-2.138491700	-0.708201700	-4.896342400
6	-2.835334100	-0.421125100	2.773458700
1	-3.370638100	-0.630180200	3.714114800
1	-3.415411200	0.333477500	2.213777900
1	-2.810704400	-1.343004100	2.174024400
1	-2.128464600	0.702628900	4.898372000
1	2.138425700	0.708061400	4.896461500
6	2.807455200	-0.493221300	2.791316300
1	2.882857700	-0.870438200	1.762185900
1	3.601470800	0.256552600	2.954527700
1	2.995077100	-1.343990400	3.467364300

*

The following remarks concerning this calculation should be done:

- i) Using "actorbs unchanged" and "actconstraints 1" is essential, it keeps the localized orbital description, i.e. FeII(d6) left and FeIII(d5) right.
- ii) Using "maxiter 1" is essential, i.e. localized orbitals *are not iterated*, keeping a proper balance between roots of different spin-multiplicity, thus allowing to compare fine structures (zero-field splittings (for $S > 1/2$) Kramer's doublet g-factors.
- iii) Extra keywords in the spin-orbit coupling "rel" part of the %casscf block are provided.

- iv) "nevpt2" is applied on top of the proper guess orbitals even without casscf convergence ("maxiter 1").

Deducing charge transfer parameters:

At step 3 we did not override the sym.gbw file when block diagonalising the 10x10 local Fock matrix; let us now apply `orca_blockf` twice as follows:

i) `orca_blockf sym.fsv sym.gbw 126 130 131 135`

ii) `orca_blockf sym.fsv sym.gbw 126 135`

The first command was already executed producing block diagonal FeII(d6) and FeIII(d5) matrices

The second command renders the block diagonal for FeII(d6) and FeIII(d5) unaltered by give a 5x5 of diagonal block with charge transfer (hoppin integrals) for the electrons of FeII(d6) from FeII to FeIII:

Local Fock Matrix

	0	1	2	3	4	5					
0	-0.046221	0.000000	-0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	-0.000179				
1	0.000000	-0.045968	-0.000000	-0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000975				
2	-0.000000	-0.000000	-0.037605	-0.000000	-0.000000	-0.000000	0.003522				
3	0.000000	-0.000000	-0.000000	-0.030466	0.000000	0.000000	-0.003136				
4	0.000000	0.000000	-0.000000	0.000000	-0.017462	-0.000069					
5	-0.000179	0.000975	0.003522	-0.003136	-0.000069	-0.187422					
6	0.008735	0.006468	-0.000350	0.000201	0.000164	0.000000					
7	0.005516	-0.007769	-0.025116	0.000845	-0.000107	0.000000					
8	0.002807	-0.003946	0.000846	0.021525	0.000470	0.000000					
9	0.000480	-0.000403	-0.000191	0.002881	-0.007055	-0.000000					
	6	7	8	9							
0	0.008735	0.005516	0.002807	0.000480							
1	0.006468	-0.007769	-0.003946	-0.000403							
2	-0.000350	-0.025116	0.000846	-0.000191							
3	0.000201	0.000845	0.021525	0.002881							
4	0.000164	-0.000107	0.000470	-0.007055							
5	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	-0.000000							
6	-0.182907	-0.000000	-0.000000	-0.000000							
7	-0.000000	-0.165349	-0.000000	-0.000000							
8	-0.000000	-0.000000	-0.153127	0.000000							
9	-0.000000	-0.000000	0.000000	-0.151275							

The following MatLab script allows to extract diagonal orbital energies in eV and off-diagonal hopping integrals in cm-1:

```
clear all
clc

data(1:10,1:6)=[-0.046221    0.000000   -0.000000    0.000000    0.000000   -0.000179
 0.000000   -0.045968   -0.000000   -0.000000    0.000000    0.000975
-0.000000   -0.000000   -0.037605   -0.000000   -0.000000    0.003522
 0.000000   -0.000000   -0.000000   -0.030466    0.000000   -0.003136
 0.000000    0.000000   -0.000000    0.000000   -0.017462   -0.000069
-0.000179    0.000975    0.003522   -0.003136   -0.000069   -0.187422
 0.008735    0.006468   -0.000350    0.000201    0.000164    0.000000
 0.005516   -0.007769   -0.025116    0.000845   -0.000107    0.000000
 0.002807   -0.003946    0.000846    0.021525    0.000470    0.000000
 0.000480   -0.000403   -0.000191    0.002881   -0.007055   -0.000000];

data(1:10,7:10)=[0.008735    0.005516    0.002807    0.000480
 0.006468   -0.007769   -0.003946   -0.000403
-0.000350   -0.025116    0.000846   -0.000191
 0.000201    0.000845    0.021525    0.002881
 0.000164   -0.000107    0.000470   -0.007055
 0.000000    0.000000    0.000000   -0.000000
-0.182907   -0.000000   -0.000000   -0.000000
-0.000000   -0.165349   -0.000000   -0.000000
-0.000000   -0.000000   -0.153127    0.000000
-0.000000   -0.000000    0.000000   -0.151275];

% diagonal elements in eV
data(1:5,1:5)*27.211
data(6:10,6:10)*27.211
% off-diagonal elements in cm-1
data(1:5,6:10)*27.211*8065
```

It was used to list Table 9.

Electronic structure and magnetic anisotropy of the $\text{Fe}^{2+}\text{Te}_2\text{N}_2$ and $\text{Fe}^{3+}\text{Te}_2\text{N}_2$ building units.

The following input files we used to compute entries listed in Table 2.

$\text{Fe}^{2+}\text{Te}_2\text{N}_2$:fegaguess.inp (getting initial guess):

```
!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 noiter notrah
```

```
!xyzfile normalprint
```

```
! somf(1x)
```

```
%pcm
```

```
surfacetype vdw_gaussian
```

```
num_leb 302
```

```
end
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxcore 4000
```

```
end
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxiter 300
```

```
end
```

```
%basis
```

```
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
```

```
end
```

```
%rel
```

```
method DKH
```

```
PictureChange 2
```

```
order 2
```

```
end
```

```
%casscf
```

```
nel 6
```

```
norb 5
```

```
mult 5
```

```
nroots 5
```

```
orbstep superci
```

```
switchstep diis
```

```
shiftup 1
```

```
shiftdn 1
```

```
trafostep rimo
```

end

*xyz -1 5

26	0.000000000	0.000000000	-1.583420700
31	0.000000000	0.000000000	1.583420700
52	0.000000400	-2.017263700	0.006754900
52	0.000000400	2.017263300	-0.006754700
7	-1.473721300	-0.076011300	-3.021501000
6	-1.266211300	-0.552668500	-4.242693700
6	-0.005528300	-0.882294000	-4.756160600
1	-0.005515000	-1.397431100	-5.554832100
6	1.258228400	-0.548790700	-4.243286900
7	1.470409200	-0.047753900	-3.028238100
7	1.473722100	0.076010900	3.021501300
6	1.266212200	0.552668100	4.242693900
6	0.005529700	0.882294100	4.756159500
1	0.005515000	1.397431100	5.554832100
6	-1.258227500	0.548790200	4.243287200
7	-1.470409200	0.047753900	3.028238100
6	-2.807147300	0.493994300	-2.791488800
1	-2.883670700	0.868519400	-1.761458900
1	-2.992699100	1.346894800	-3.465420700
1	-3.601774000	-0.254382800	-2.958077500
6	2.835994100	0.419045300	-2.772867600
1	3.371132200	0.629896400	-3.713205500
1	2.812876000	1.339204200	-2.170777300
1	3.414979600	-0.338158600	-2.215567700
1	2.128434700	-0.702705800	-4.898389600
1	-2.138491700	-0.708201700	-4.896342400
6	-2.835334100	-0.421125100	2.773458700
1	-3.370638100	-0.630180200	3.714114800
1	-3.415411200	0.333477500	2.213777900
1	-2.810704400	-1.343004100	2.174024400
1	-2.128464600	0.702628900	4.898372000
1	2.138425700	0.708061400	4.896461500
6	2.807455200	-0.493221300	2.791316300
1	2.882857700	-0.870438200	1.762185900
1	3.601470800	0.256552600	2.954527700

```
1 2.995077100 -1.343990400 3.467364300
*
feganev.inp:
!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 notrah
!xyzfile normalprint
!moread
%moinp "fegaguess.gbw"

! somf(1x)

%cpcm
surfacetype vdw_gaussian
num_leb 302
end

%scf
maxcore 4000
end

%scf
maxiter 300
end

%scf rotate {128,133,90} end end

%basis
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
end

%rel
method DKH
PictureChange 2
order 2
end

%casscf
nel 6
norb 5
```

```

mult 5,3
nroots 5,45
orbstep superci
    switchstep diis
    shiftup 1
    shiftdn 1
actorbs dorbs
#nevpt2 true
trafostep rimo
rel
dosoc true
gtensor true
printlevel 3
#NDoubGTensor 3
domagnetization true
dosusceptibility true
nPointsFStep 5
MAGFieldStep 100.0
MAGTemperatureMIN 0
MAGTemperatureMAX 3
MAGTemperatureNPoints 100
MAGFieldMIN 70000.0
MAGFieldMAX 10000.0
MAGNpoints 3
SUSTempMIN 0
SUSTempMAX 200.0
SUSNPoints 150
SUSStatFieldMIN 10000.0
SUSStatFieldMAX 10000.0
SUSStatFieldNPoints 1
end
end

*xyz -1 5
26  0.000000000  0.000000000 -1.583420700
31  0.000000000  0.000000000  1.583420700
52  0.000000400 -2.017263700  0.006754900
52  0.000000400  2.017263300 -0.006754700

```

7	-1.473721300	-0.076011300	-3.021501000
6	-1.266211300	-0.552668500	-4.242693700
6	-0.005528300	-0.882294000	-4.756160600
1	-0.005515000	-1.397431100	-5.554832100
6	1.258228400	-0.548790700	-4.243286900
7	1.470409200	-0.047753900	-3.028238100
7	1.473722100	0.076010900	3.021501300
6	1.266212200	0.552668100	4.242693900
6	0.005529700	0.882294100	4.756159500
1	0.005515000	1.397431100	5.554832100
6	-1.258227500	0.548790200	4.243287200
7	-1.470409200	0.047753900	3.028238100
6	-2.807147300	0.493994300	-2.791488800
1	-2.883670700	0.868519400	-1.761458900
1	-2.992699100	1.346894800	-3.465420700
1	-3.601774000	-0.254382800	-2.958077500
6	2.835994100	0.419045300	-2.772867600
1	3.371132200	0.629896400	-3.713205500
1	2.812876000	1.339204200	-2.170777300
1	3.414979600	-0.338158600	-2.215567700
1	2.128434700	-0.702705800	-4.898389600
1	-2.138491700	-0.708201700	-4.896342400
6	-2.835334100	-0.421125100	2.773458700
1	-3.370638100	-0.630180200	3.714114800
1	-3.415411200	0.333477500	2.213777900
1	-2.810704400	-1.343004100	2.174024400
1	-2.128464600	0.702628900	4.898372000
1	2.138425700	0.708061400	4.896461500
6	2.807455200	-0.493221300	2.791316300
1	2.882857700	-0.870438200	1.762185900
1	3.601470800	0.256552600	2.954527700
1	2.995077100	-1.343990400	3.467364300

*

Fe³⁺Te₂N₂: feznguess.inp (getting initial guess):

!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 ri-jk conv noiter notrah

!xyzfile normalprint

```
! somf(1x)
```

```
%cpcm
```

```
surfacetype vdw_gaussian
```

```
num_leb 302
```

```
end
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxcore 9000
```

```
end
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxiter 300
```

```
end
```

```
%basis
```

```
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
```

```
end
```

```
%rel
```

```
method DKH
```

```
PictureChange 2
```

```
order 2
```

```
end
```

```
!keepfock
```

```
%casscf
```

```
nel 5
```

```
norb 5
```

```
mult 6,4
```

```
nroots 1,24
```

```
trafostep rimo
```

```
end
```

```
*xyz -1 6
```


26	0.000000000	0.000000000	-1.583420700
30	0.000000000	0.000000000	1.583420700
52	0.000000400	-2.017263700	0.006754900
52	0.000000400	2.017263300	-0.006754700
7	-1.473721300	-0.076011300	-3.021501000
6	-1.266211300	-0.552668500	-4.242693700
6	-0.005528300	-0.882294000	-4.756160600
1	-0.005515000	-1.397431100	-5.554832100
6	1.258228400	-0.548790700	-4.243286900
7	1.470409200	-0.047753900	-3.028238100
7	1.473722100	0.076010900	3.021501300
6	1.266212200	0.552668100	4.242693900
6	0.005529700	0.882294100	4.756159500
1	0.005515000	1.397431100	5.554832100
6	-1.258227500	0.548790200	4.243287200
7	-1.470409200	0.047753900	3.028238100
6	-2.807147300	0.493994300	-2.791488800
1	-2.883670700	0.868519400	-1.761458900
1	-2.992699100	1.346894800	-3.465420700
1	-3.601774000	-0.254382800	-2.958077500
6	2.835994100	0.419045300	-2.772867600
1	3.371132200	0.629896400	-3.713205500
1	2.812876000	1.339204200	-2.170777300
1	3.414979600	-0.338158600	-2.215567700
1	2.128434700	-0.702705800	-4.898389600
1	-2.138491700	-0.708201700	-4.896342400
6	-2.835334100	-0.421125100	2.773458700
1	-3.370638100	-0.630180200	3.714114800
1	-3.415411200	0.333477500	2.213777900
1	-2.810704400	-1.343004100	2.174024400
1	-2.128464600	0.702628900	4.898372000
1	2.138425700	0.708061400	4.896461500
6	2.807455200	-0.493221300	2.791316300
1	2.882857700	-0.870438200	1.762185900
1	3.601470800	0.256552600	2.954527700
1	2.995077100	-1.343990400	3.467364300

*

feznnev.inp:

```
!CASSCF DKH-Def2-TZVP AutoAux DKH2 PAL16 ri-jk conv notrah
```

```
!xyzfile normalprint
```

```
!nevpt2
```

```
!moread
```

```
%moinp "feznguess.gbw"
```

```
! somf(1x)
```

```
%cpcm
```

```
surfacetype vdw_gaussian
```

```
num_leb 302
```

```
end
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxcore 9000
```

```
end
```

```
%scf rotate {128,131,90} {130,133,90} end end
```

```
%scf
```

```
maxiter 300
```

```
end
```

```
%basis
```

```
newgto Te "old-DKH-TZVP" end
```

```
end
```

```
%rel
```

```
method DKH
```

```
PictureChange 2
```

```
order 2
```

```
end
```

```
%casscf
```

```
nel 5
```

```
norb 5
```

```
mult 6,4
```

```
nroots 1,24
```

```

actorbs dorbs
trafostep rimo
rel
dosoc true
gtensor true
printlevel 3
NDoubGTensor 3
domagnetization true
dosusceptibility true
nPointsFStep 5
MAGFieldStep 100.0
MAGTemperatureMIN 0
MAGTemperatureMAX 3
MAGTemperatureNPoints 100
MAGFieldMIN 70000.0
MAGFieldMAX 10000.0
MAGNpoints 3
SUSTempMIN 0
SUSTempMAX 200.0
SUSNPoints 150
SUSStatFieldMIN 10000.0
SUSStatFieldMAX 10000.0
SUSStatFieldNPoints 1
end
end

*xyz -1 6
26  0.000000000  0.000000000 -1.583420700
30  0.000000000  0.000000000  1.583420700
52  0.000000400 -2.017263700  0.006754900
52  0.000000400  2.017263300 -0.006754700
7   -1.473721300 -0.076011300 -3.021501000
6   -1.266211300 -0.552668500 -4.242693700
6   -0.005528300 -0.882294000 -4.756160600
1   -0.005515000 -1.397431100 -5.554832100
6   1.258228400 -0.548790700 -4.243286900
7   1.470409200 -0.047753900 -3.028238100
7   1.473722100  0.076010900  3.021501300

```

6	1.266212200	0.552668100	4.242693900
6	0.005529700	0.882294100	4.756159500
1	0.005515000	1.397431100	5.554832100
6	-1.258227500	0.548790200	4.243287200
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1	3.601470800	0.256552600	2.954527700
1	2.995077100	-1.343990400	3.467364300

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Output files from all the calculations can be obtained by one of us (MA) on request.

Comparison of potential energy surfaces resulting from scalar relativistic (spin-free, no SOC, $S=3/2$, two roots) and spin-orbit coupling (SOC, $S=3/2$, 40 roots) calculation, exemplified using the vibronic distortions along the q effective symmetry breaking normal mode (see Figure 4a).

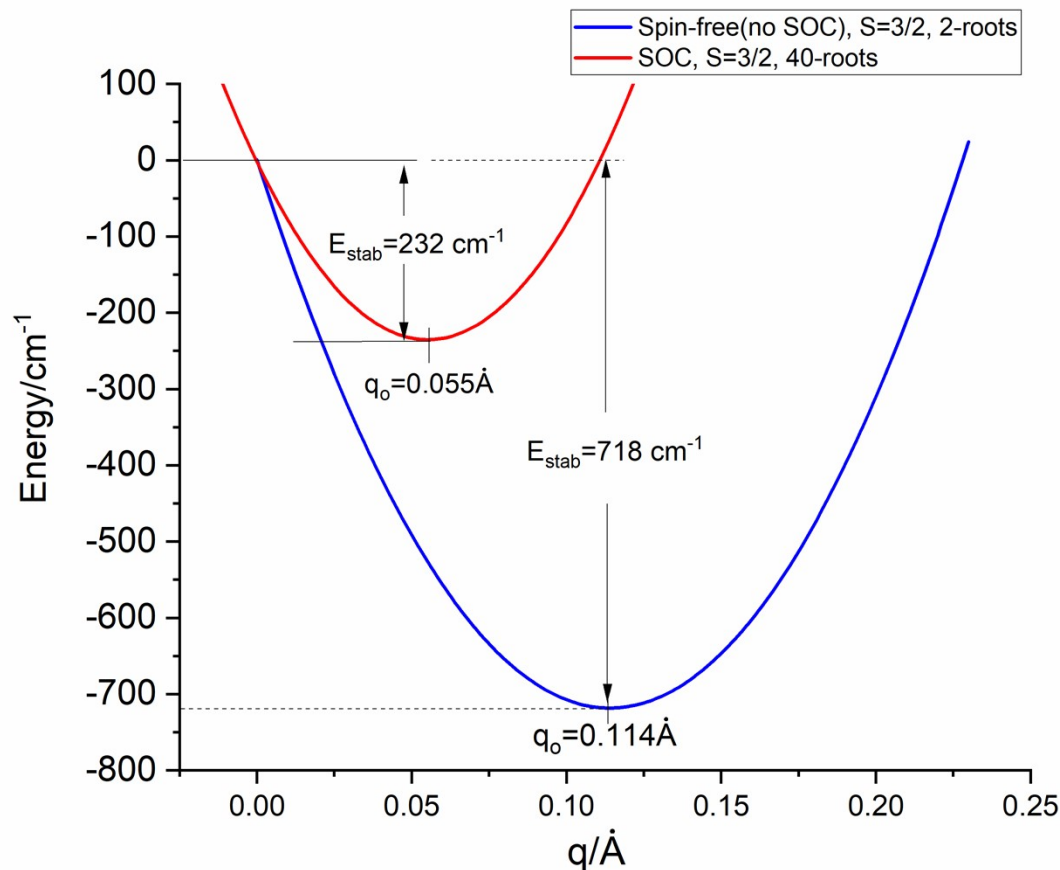


Figure S1. Ground state energy stabilizations E_{stab} and geometrical distortions as quantified by the shift along the q -symmetry breaking effective normal mode from CASSCF/NEVPT2 state specific scalar relativistic calculations using the two lowest $S=3/2$ spin states (roots, blue trace), and the spin-orbit coupling calculations of the lowest Kramer's quartet ($S=3/2$ state) resulting from diagonalization of the spin-orbit coupling Hamiltonian within the scalar relativistic many-particle basis of the lowest 40 scalar relativistic states (roots, red trace). Compared to the scalar relativistic result accounting for spin-orbit coupling reduces the stabilization energy E_{stab} by a factor of three and the vibronic distortion quantified by the shift along the effective symmetry breaking mode (q_0) by a factor of 2; reference geometry corresponding to $q=0$ is the one given by the X-ray structure of the $N_2Fe^{+2.5}\mu Te_2Fe^{+2.5}N_2$ core.

