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Dynamical Spectral weight transfer in the cuprates is described by the Hubbard model PHILIP PHILLIPS, university of illinois, MARK JAR-RELL, Louisiana State University — Recently, Peets and colleagues [1] measured the x-ray intensity at the oxygen K-edge in overdoped $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_{4\pm\delta}$ (LSCO) and $\text{Tl}_2\text{Ba}_2\text{CuO}_{6+\delta}$. They concluded that, unlike the underdoped samples of LSCO and $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_x$ in which the integrated intensity increases at least linearly with doping, it saturates abruptly for a hole count exceeding $x_c \approx 0.23$. They interpreted the saturation as a breakdown of the 1-band Hubbard model in the cuprates. We analyse all the available data and show that they are completely described by the 1-band Hubbard model. The purported saturation is shown to occur at the doping level at which the dynamical contribution to the spectral weight turns off.

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