

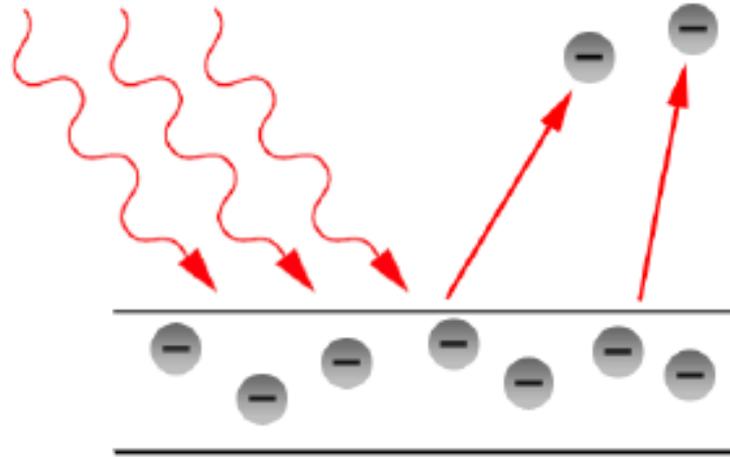
*Angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy on
emergent quantum materials*

Part -1

Outline

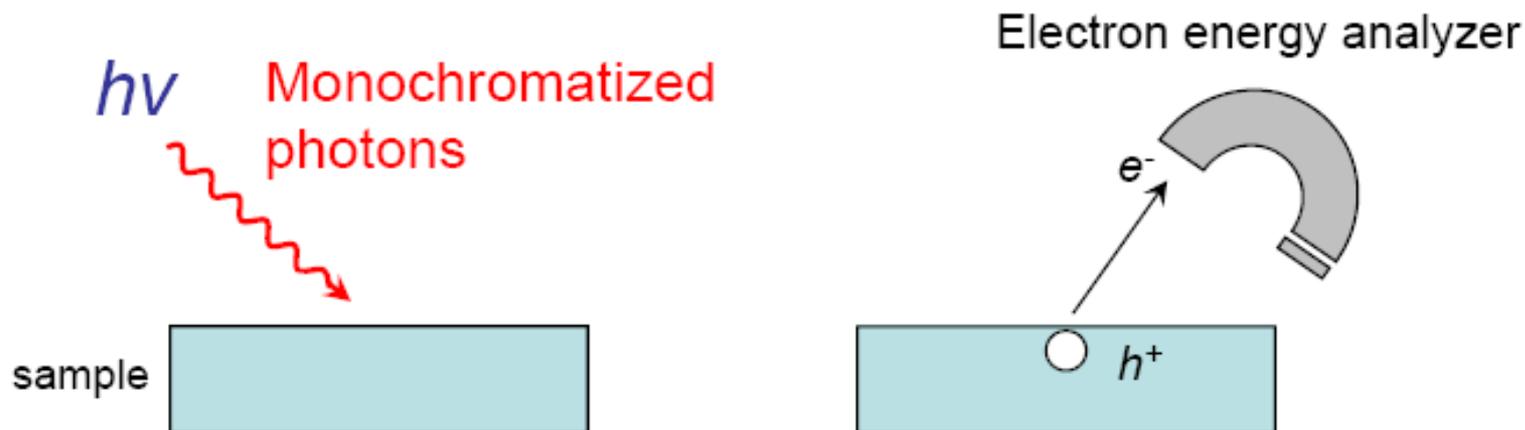
- Introduction to angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES)
 - The principle of ARPES
 - Current status of ARPES beamline at NSRRC
- The electronic structure of emergent materials
 - Surface states and quantum well states
 - Graphene based materials
 - Beyond graphene : 2D materials
 - Topological insulators (TIs)
 - Toward future electronic devices
- Summary

What is photoemission?



Photon in \rightarrow electron out (emission)

What is photoemission spectroscopy? (photoelectron spectroscopy) (PES)



Initial state: ground (neutral) state

Final state: hole (excited) state

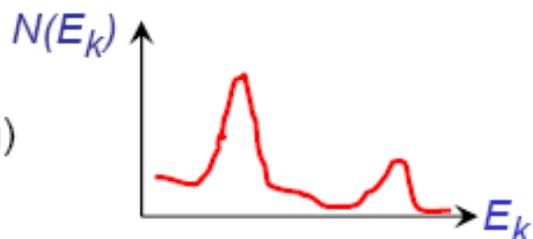
Conservation of energy

$$E_k = h\nu + E_i - E_f \quad (\text{most general expression})$$

E_k : photoelectron kinetic energy

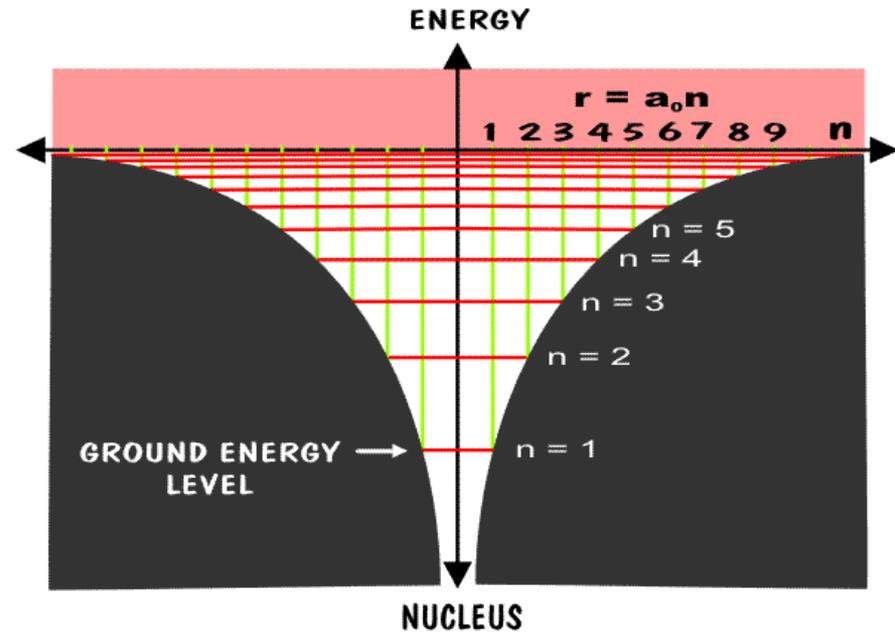
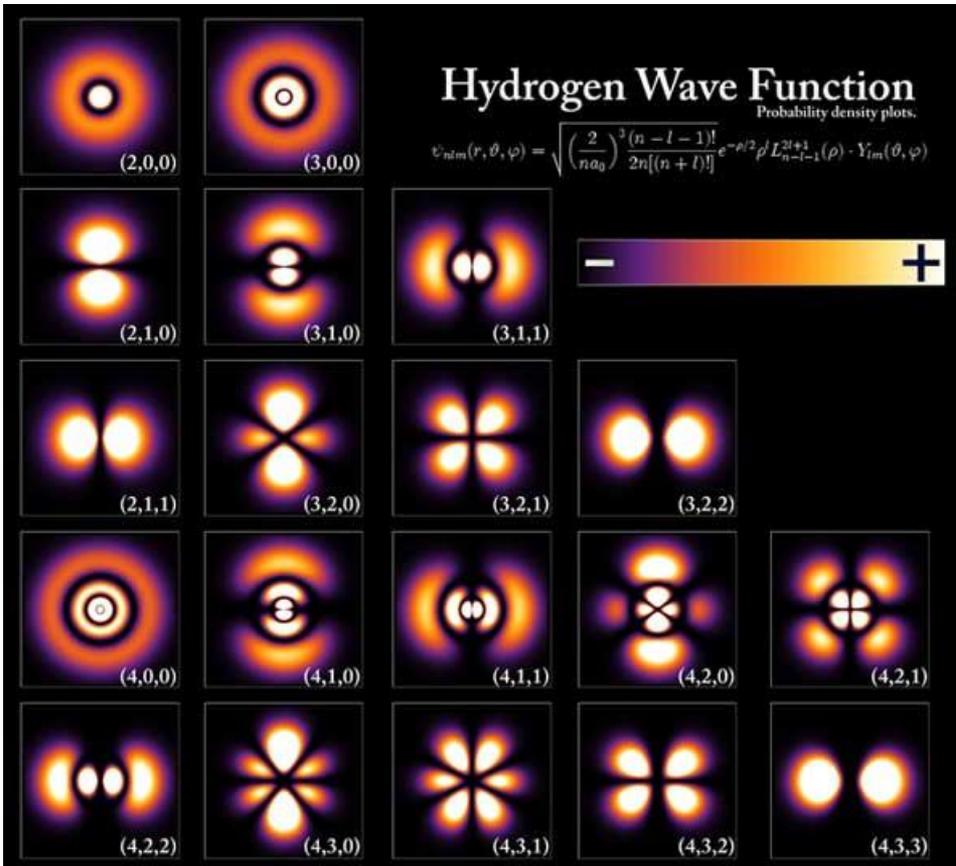
$E_i(N)$: total initial state system energy

$E_f(N-1)$: total final state system energy



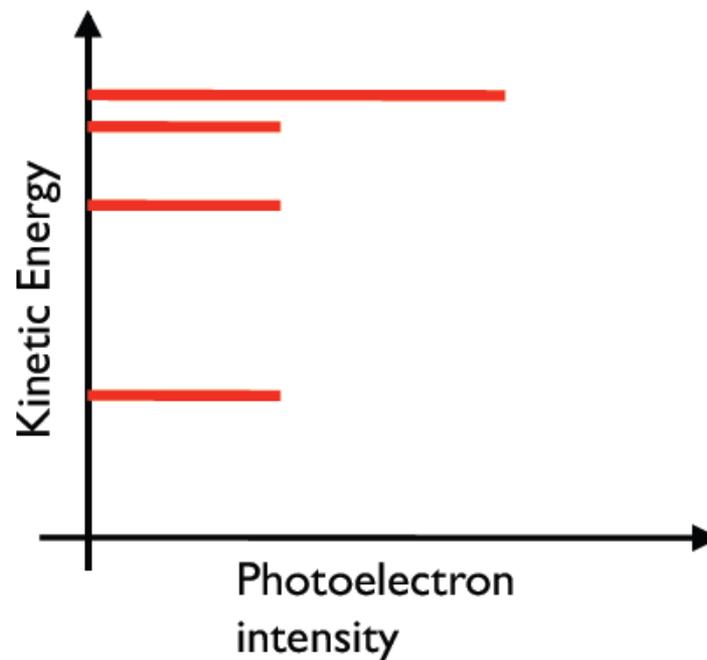
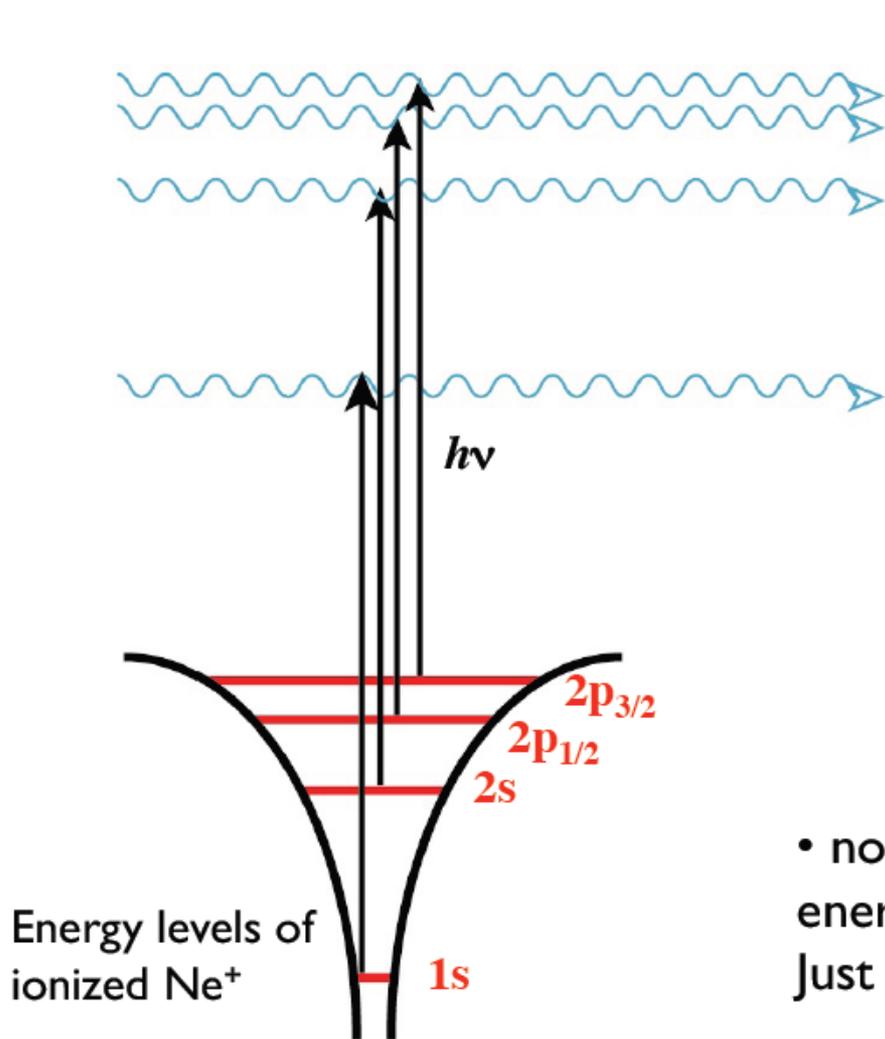
Energy Distribution Curve (EDC)
(Spectrum)

The energy level of hydrogen atom



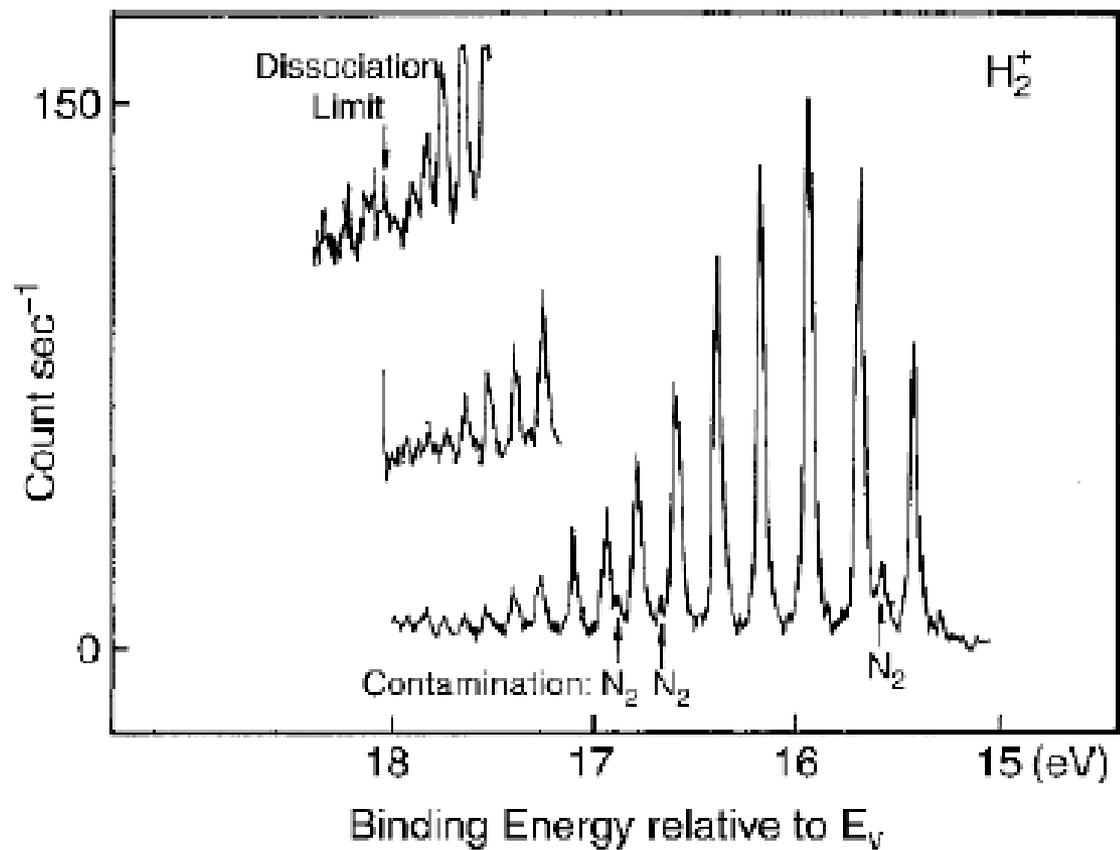
Electron ionization levels are formed from discrete levels in an atom

Energy conservation : $h\nu - E_I = KE$



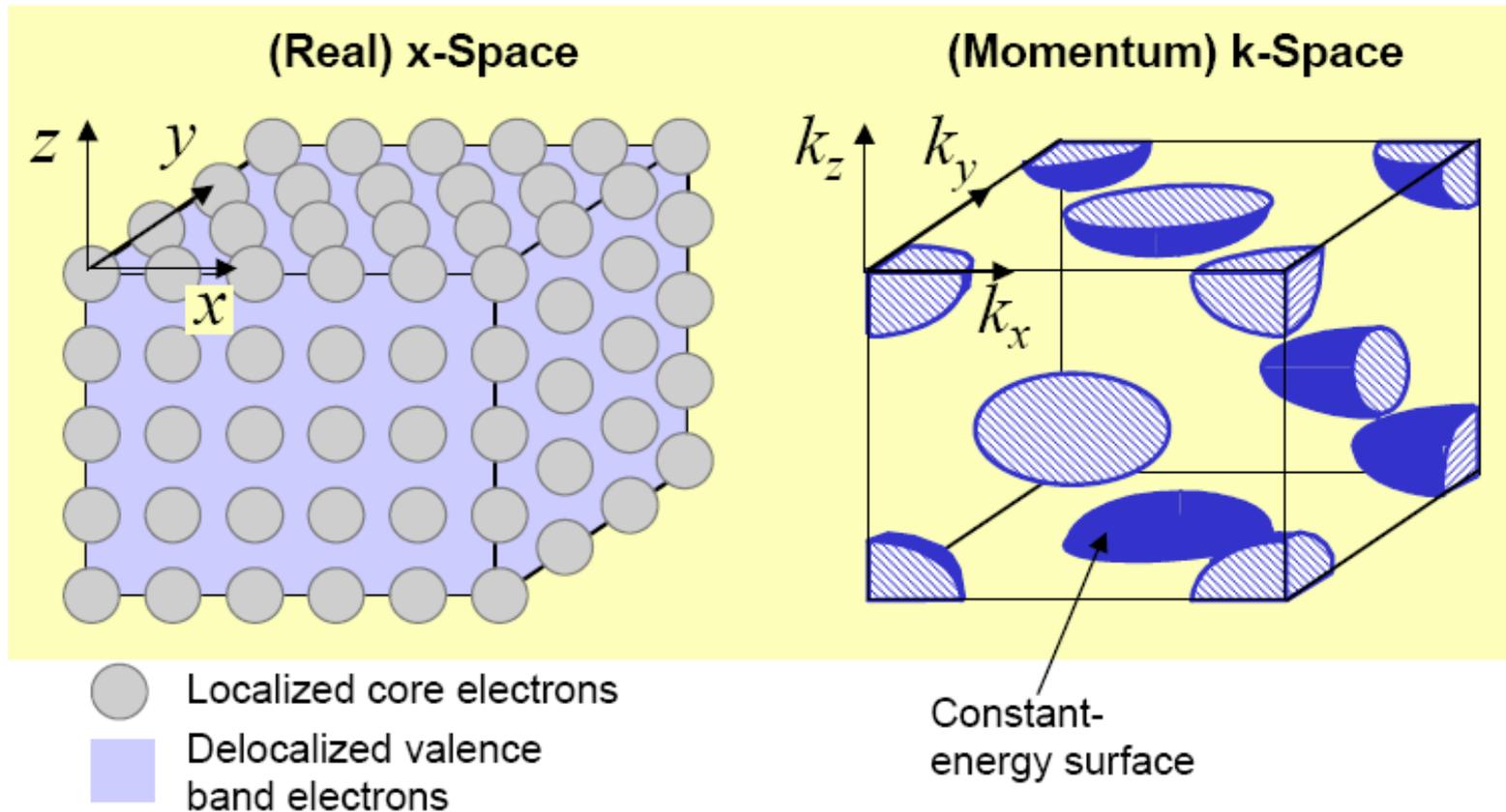
- no need to be on resonance or scan photon energies (e.g. NMR, optical measurements). Just need photons to have high enough energy!

Xeon gas phase test



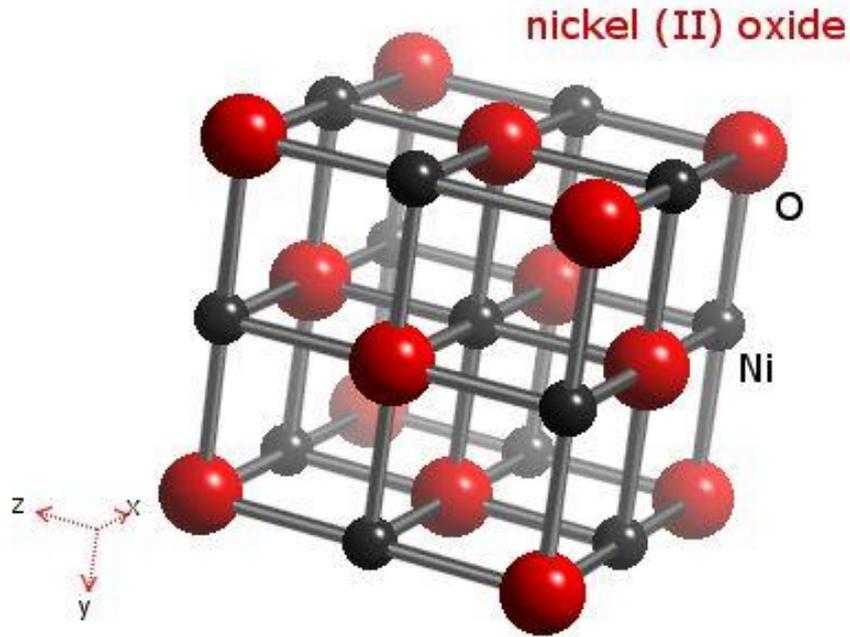
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The crystal structure and momentum space



primitive vectors $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3$

reciprocal lattice vector $\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3$



$$\vec{b}_1 = 2\pi \frac{\vec{a}_2 \times \vec{a}_3}{V}$$

$$\vec{b}_2 = 2\pi \frac{\vec{a}_3 \times \vec{a}_1}{V}$$

$$\vec{b}_3 = 2\pi \frac{\vec{a}_1 \times \vec{a}_2}{V}$$

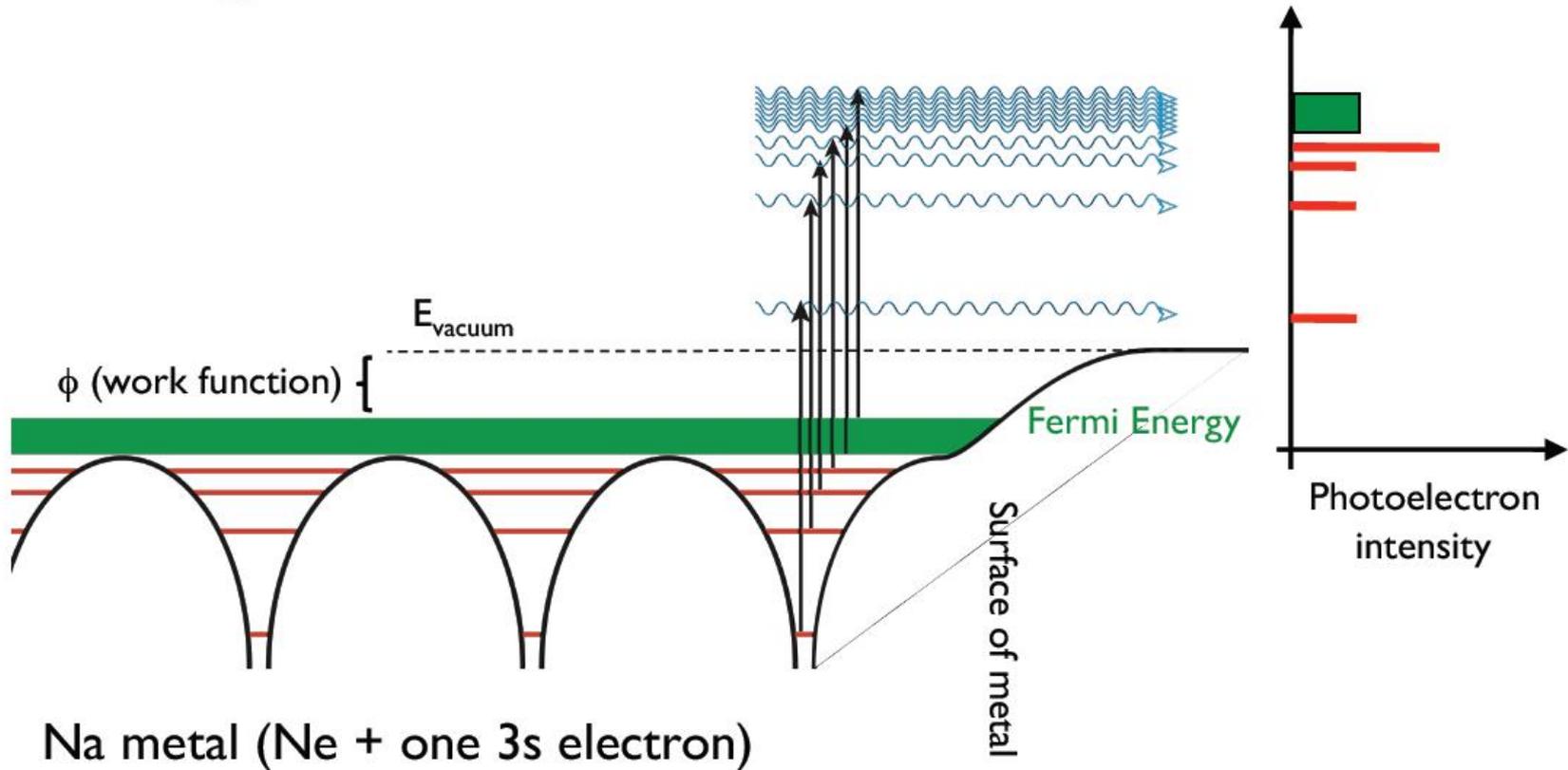
$$V = \vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{a}_2 \times \vec{a}_3$$

reciprocal lattice \mathbf{G} :

$$\vec{G} = l\vec{b}_1 + m\vec{b}_2 + n\vec{b}_3$$

l, m, n are any integers

- Deeply bound “*core*” electrons remain basically unchanged
- Outermost “*valence*” electrons hybridize forming continuous “*energy bands*”



Band theory

Two approximations

Nearly free electrons. Electrons are **non-interacting** in a periodic **crystal potential** which is **relatively weak** and can be treated as a perturbation. As in the free-electron-gas model, they are still subject to the Pauli exclusion principle.

Free electron gas :

The interactions between electrons and between electrons and nuclei are turned off, subject only to the Pauli exclusion principle.

Tightly-bonding approximation

Electrons are tightly bound to particular atoms, **overlapping only weakly with neighbors.**

Fermi-Dirac Distribution

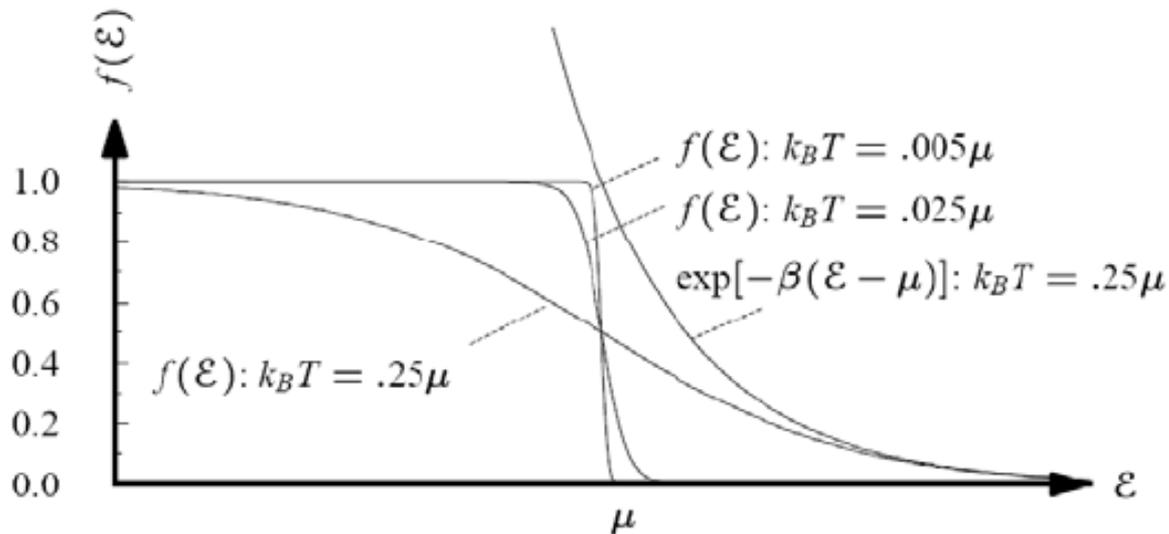
Thermal Properties of Free
Electron Gas:

Almost every electronic
transport property of solids
is proportional to $D(\mathcal{E}_F)$.

Fermi function
(Fermi-Dirac distribution)

$$f(\mathcal{E}) = \frac{1}{e^{(\mathcal{E}-\mu)/k_B T} + 1}$$

RT ~ 25 meV



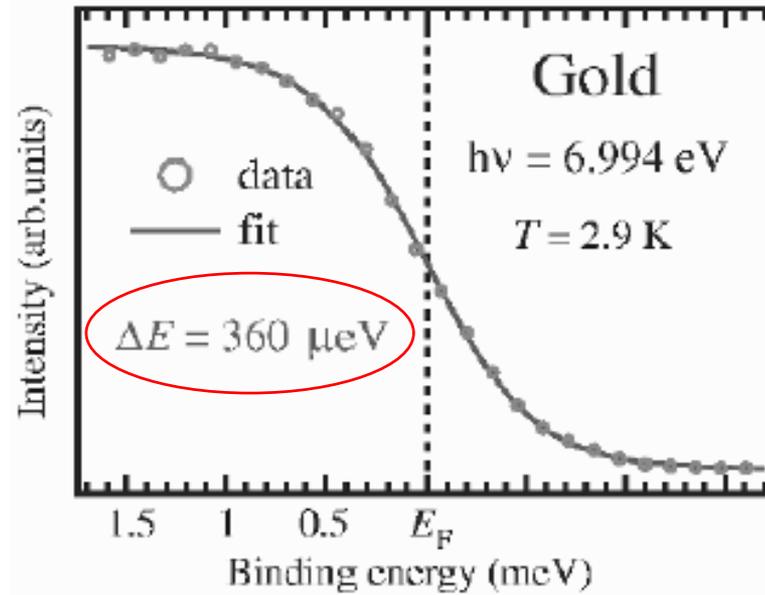
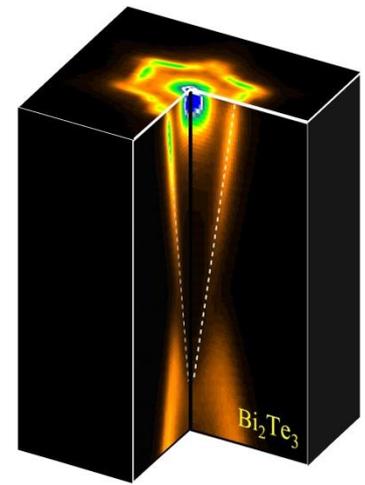


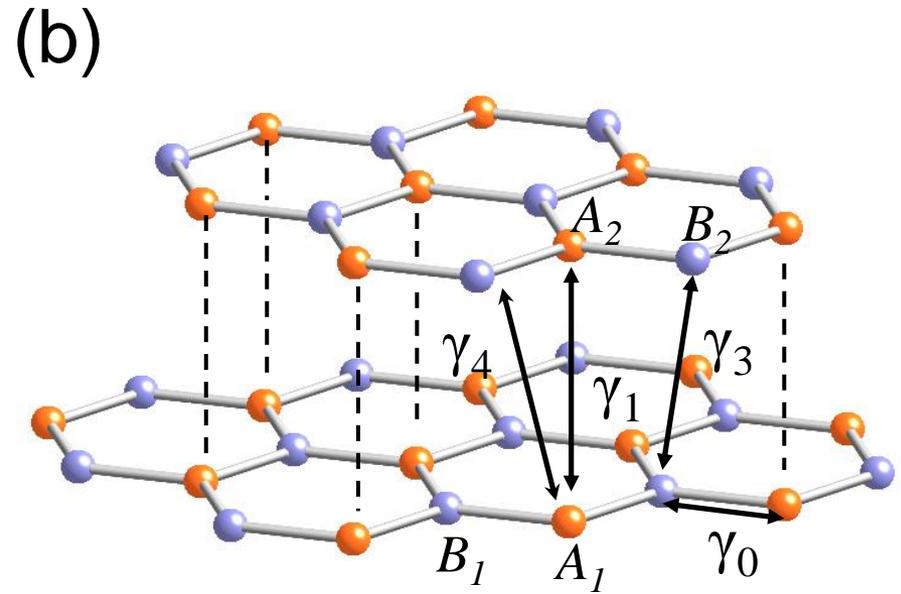
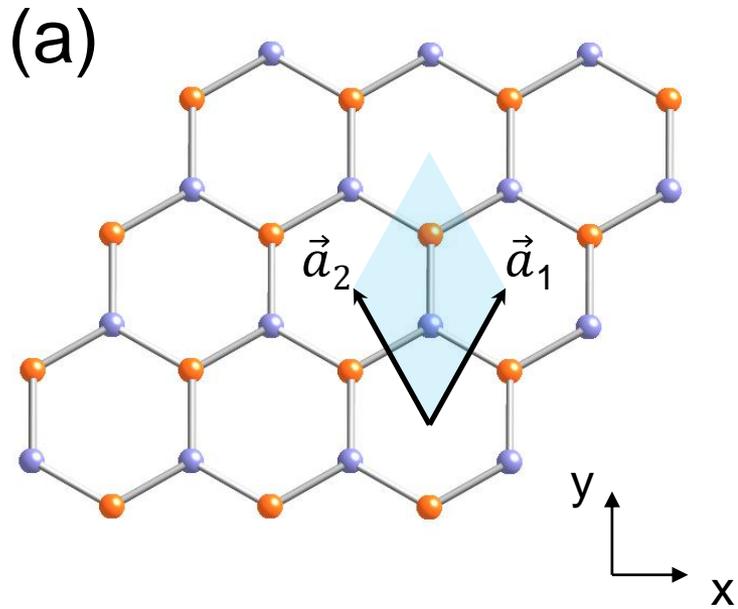
Fig. 2.3. Ultra-high resolution photoemission spectrum on a polycrystalline gold sample (evaporated Au film) for the determination of the energy resolution. The Fermi edge was measured at $T = 2.9 \text{ K}$ using a frequency tripled ($\text{KBe}_2\text{BO}_3\text{F}_2$ crystal, KBBF) YVO_3 laser for the photoexcitation ($h\nu = 6.994 \text{ eV}$) [15]

Why ARPES - key technique for the electronic structure mapping

- Angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES) is the most general tool to probe band structure, electronic interactions or spectral function mapping.
- Broad applications: surfaces, thin films, bulk materials, superconductors, magnetic/spin systems, complex materials, topological insulators, graphene based materials, charge density wave materials, low-dimensional systems, artificial stacks, device configurations, etc.

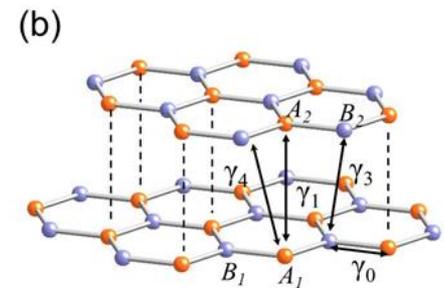


The unit cell of graphene



SWMC Hamiltonian of bilayer graphene

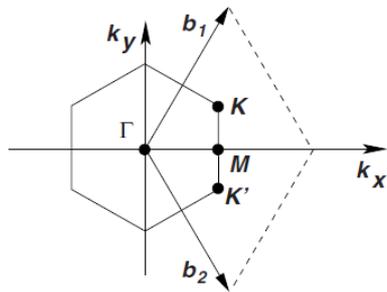
$$H(\vec{k}) = \begin{pmatrix} E_0 + \Delta & \gamma_0 f(\vec{k}) & \gamma_1 & \gamma_4 f^*(\vec{k}) \\ \gamma_0 f^*(\vec{k}) & E_0 & \gamma_4 f^*(\vec{k}) & \gamma_3 f(\vec{k}) \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_4 f(\vec{k}) & E_0 + \Delta & \gamma_0 f^*(\vec{k}) \\ \gamma_4 f(\vec{k}) & \gamma_3 f^*(\vec{k}) & \gamma_0 f(\vec{k}) & E_0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$f(\vec{k}) = \exp(ik_x a_0 / 2\sqrt{3}) + 2\exp(-ik_x a_0 / 2\sqrt{3}) \cos(k_y / 2)$$

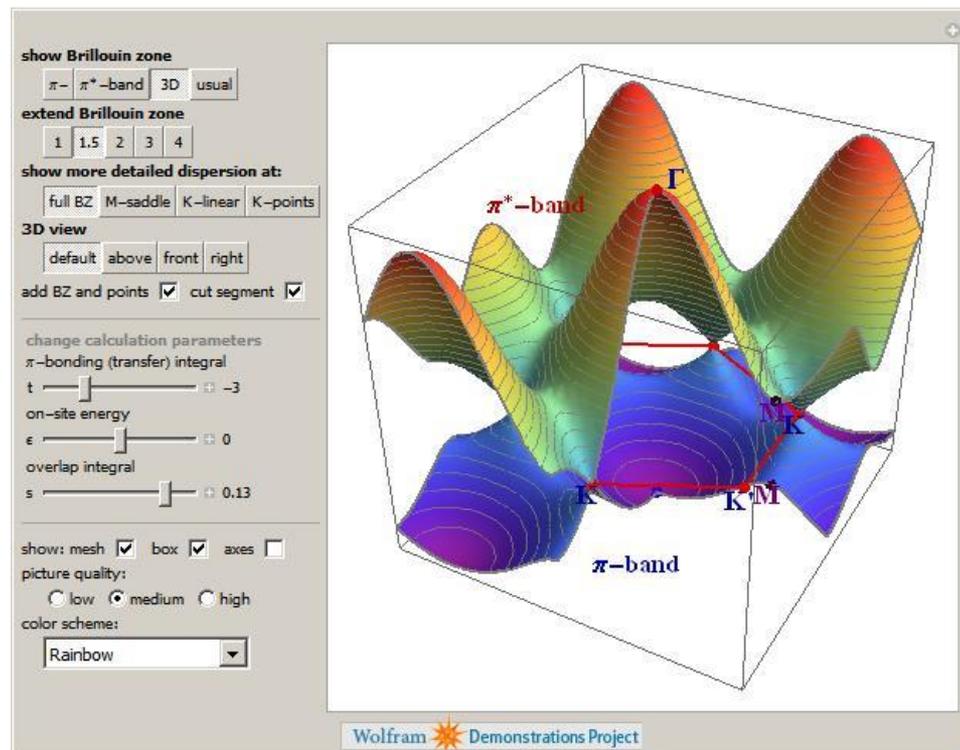
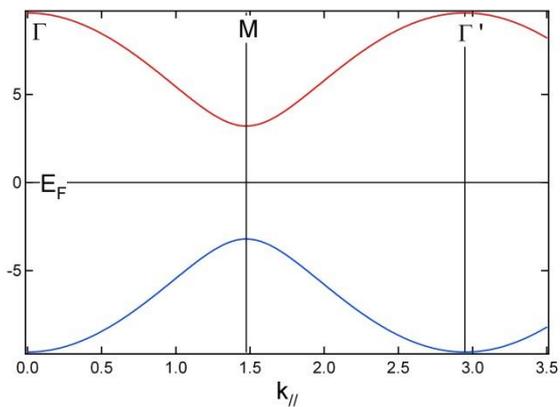
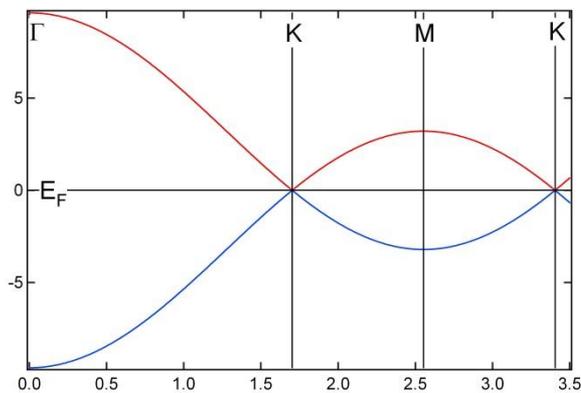
$$\vec{k} = (k_x, k_y)$$

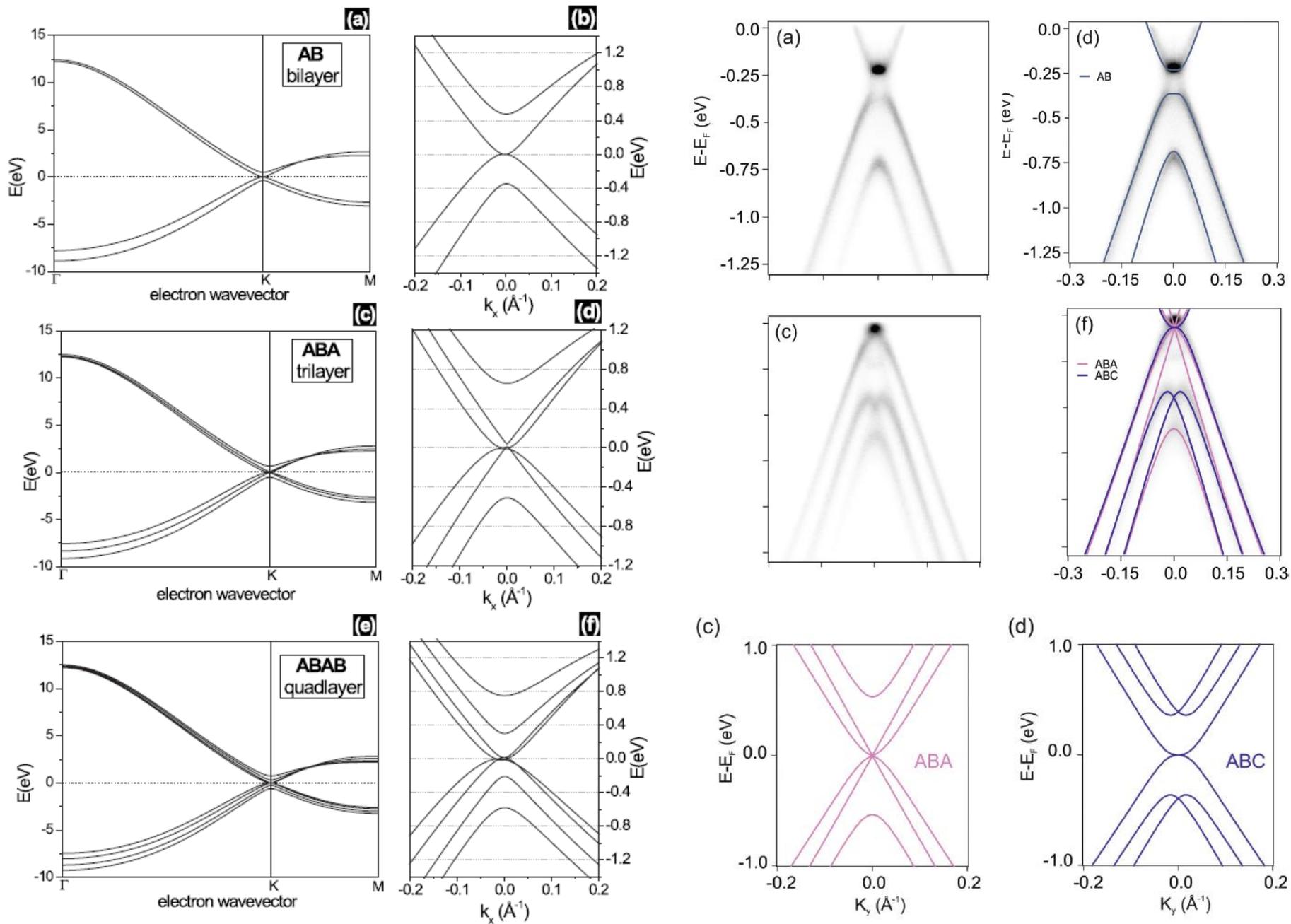
Pure 2D material : graphene



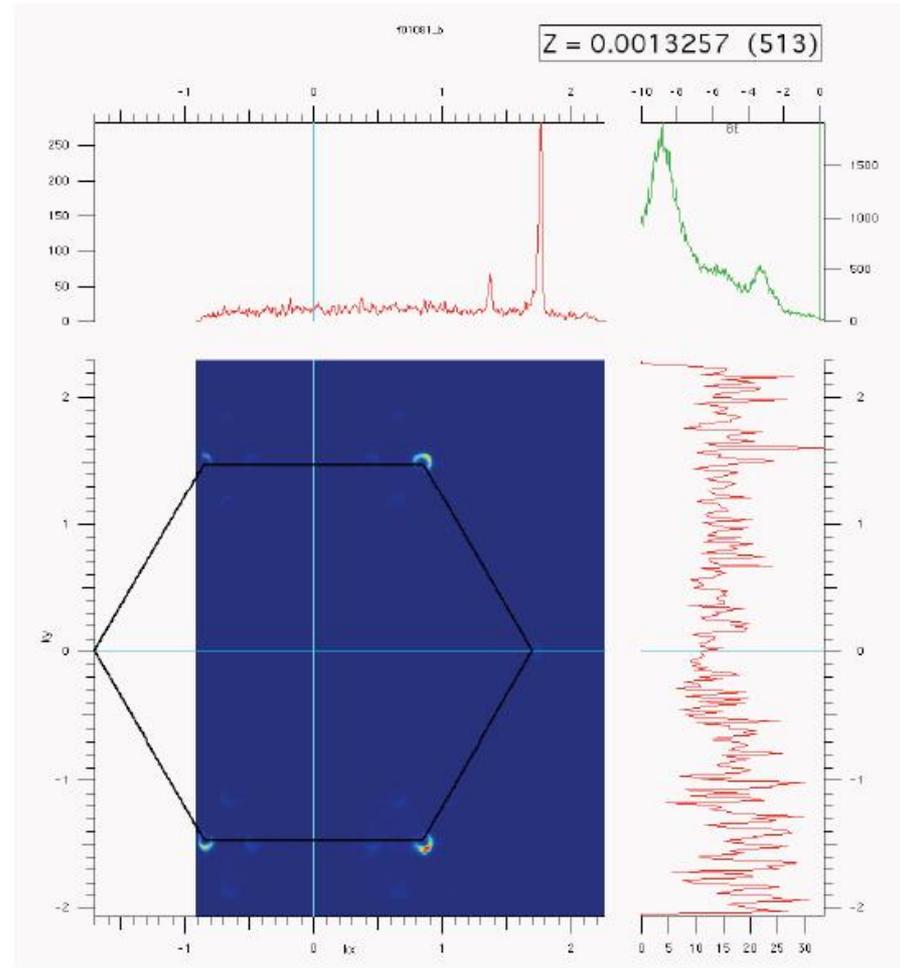
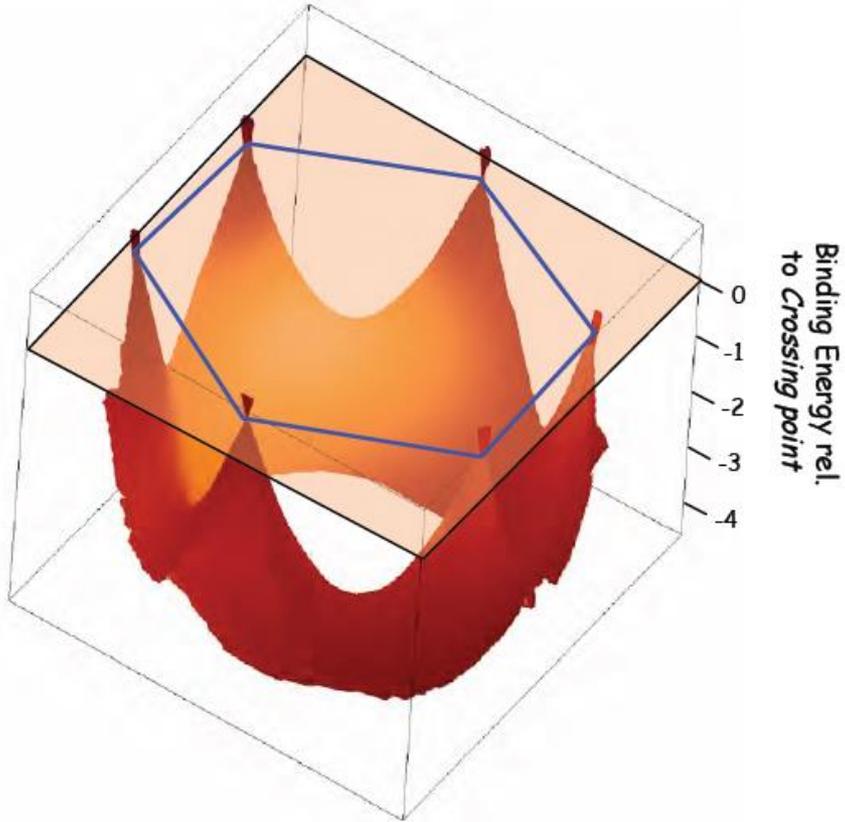
$$\mathbf{b}_1 = \frac{2\pi}{3a}(1, \sqrt{3}), \quad \mathbf{b}_2 = \frac{2\pi}{3a}(1, -\sqrt{3})$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{3a}, \frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}a} \right), \quad \mathbf{K}' = \left(\frac{2\pi}{3a}, -\frac{2\pi}{3\sqrt{3}a} \right)$$



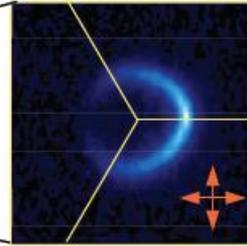
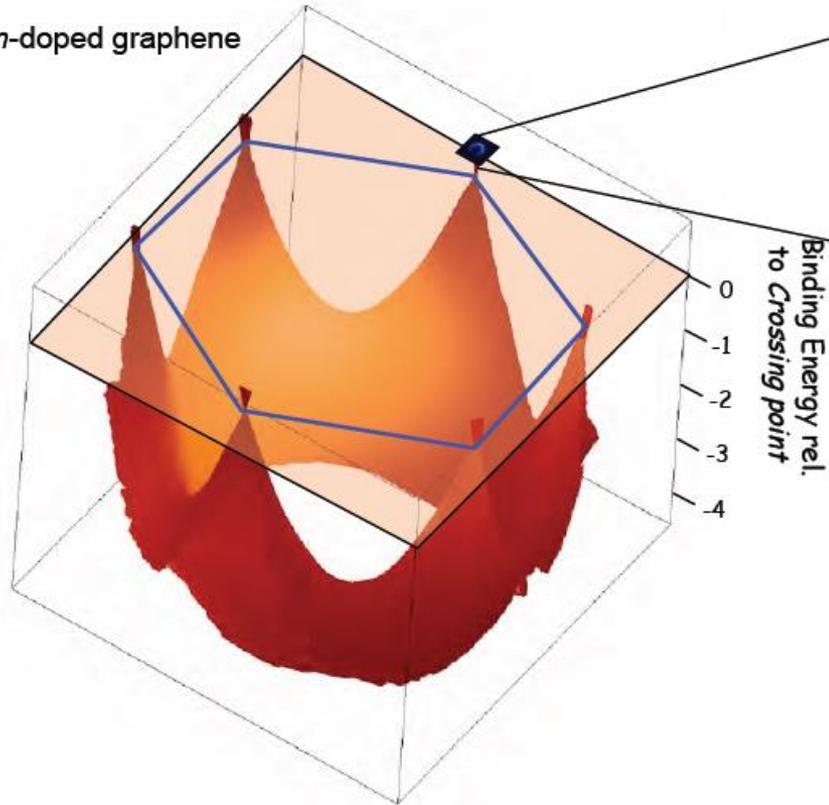


The band structure of graphene



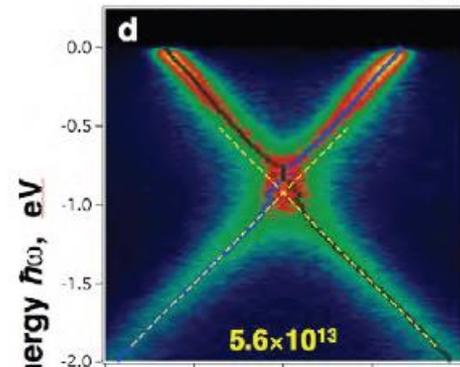
Beyond the one-electron picture

n-doped graphene



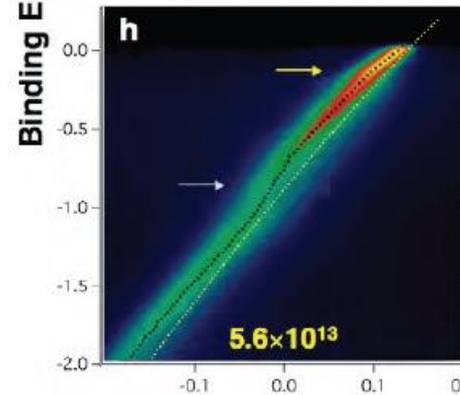
A Cut of the top of the cone is the Fermi surface

Cuts of the Bandstructure along \updownarrow and $\leftarrow\rightarrow$

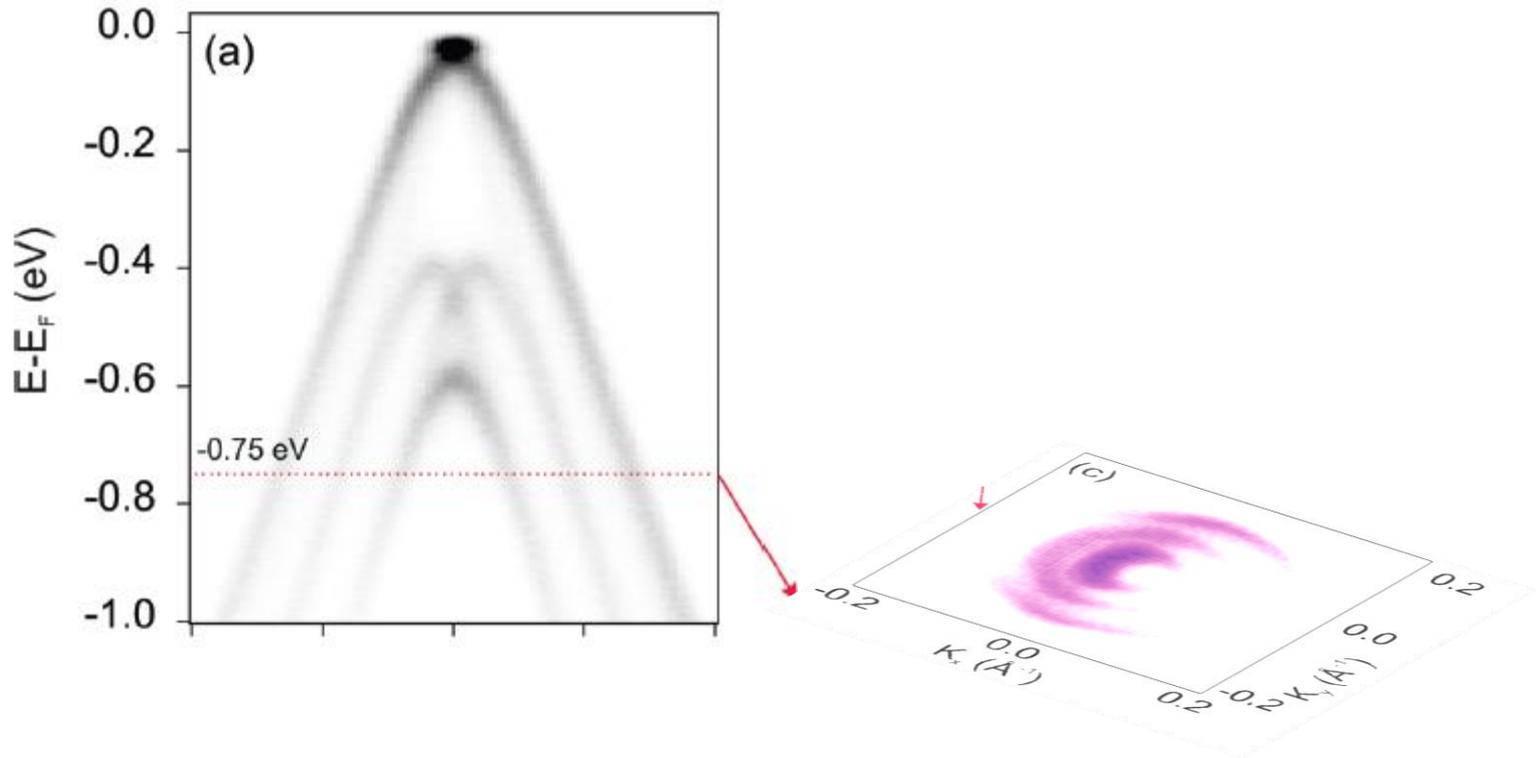


The bands are not straight!

what is happening?

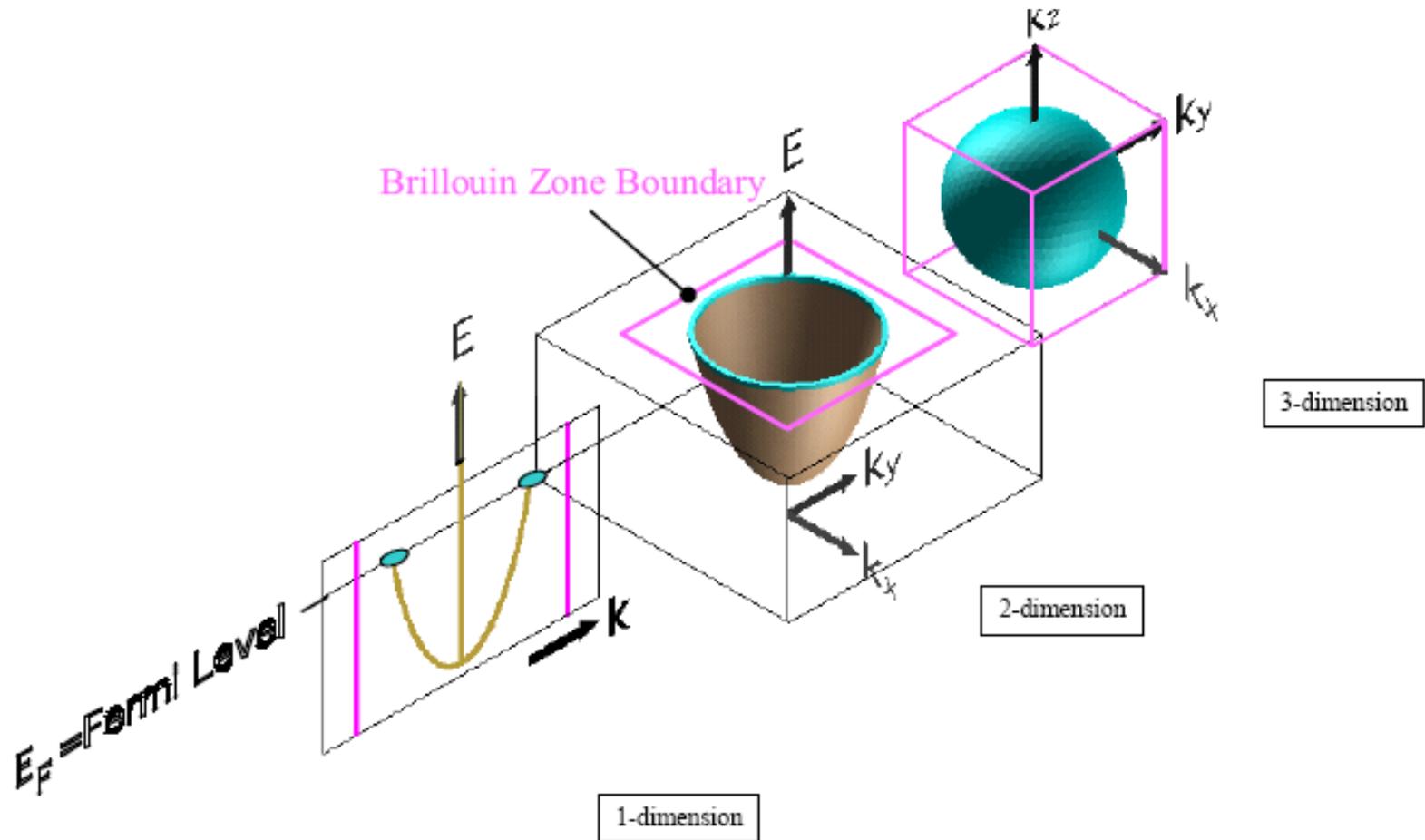


Constant energy mapping



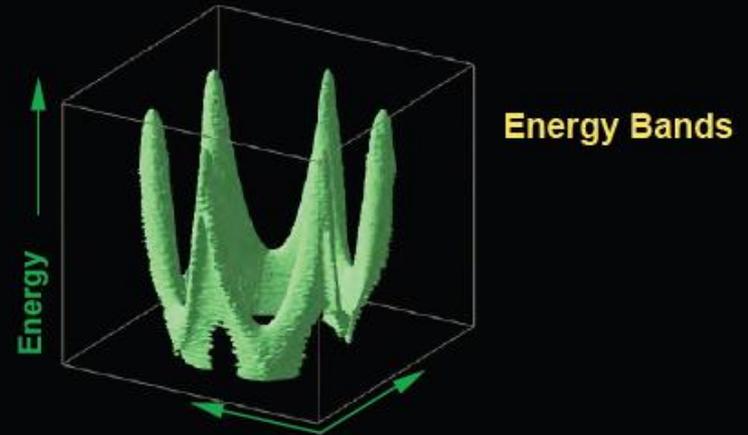
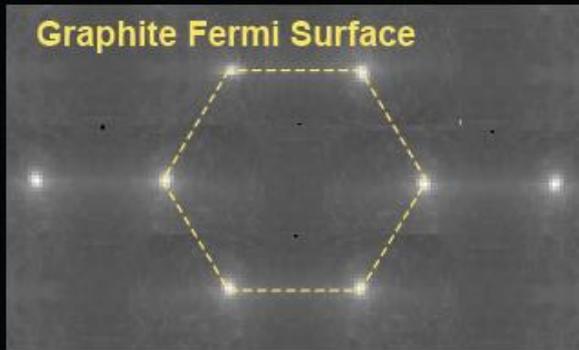
Coletti et al., PRB (2013)

Fermi Surface

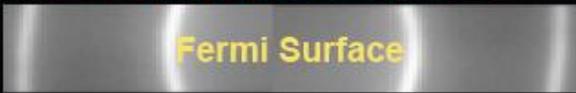


Why orientation of solid so important

conventional ARPES on a large, pure single crystal



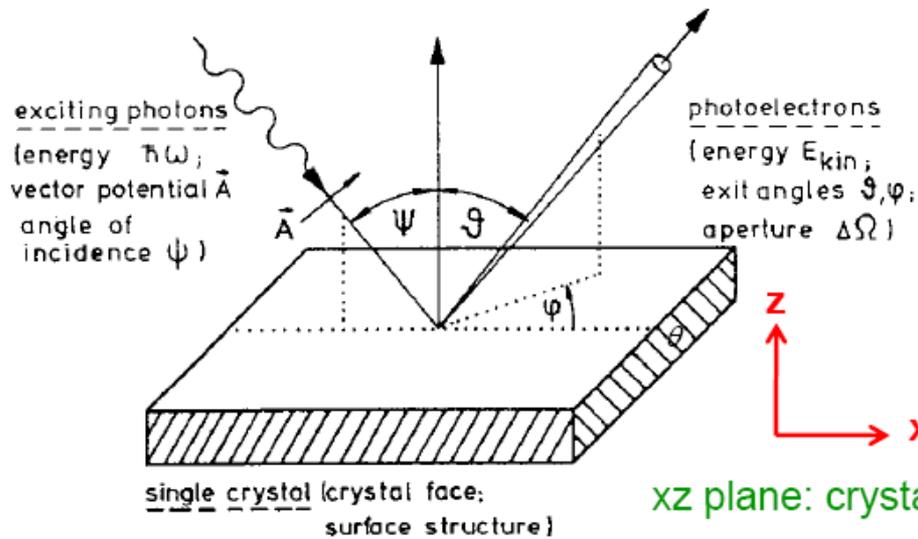
conventional ARPES of polycrystalline graphite



most of the momentum information is lost
as our spot size is much larger than the grain size.

How to probe the electronic structure of solids

Angular Resolved Photoemission Spectroscopy (ARPES)



Electron emission angle: θ

Photon incident angle: ψ , s- and p-polarization

$$k_{||} = \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E_k} \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$k_{||} (\text{\AA}^{-1}) = 0.5123 \sqrt{E_k (eV)} \cdot \sin \theta$$

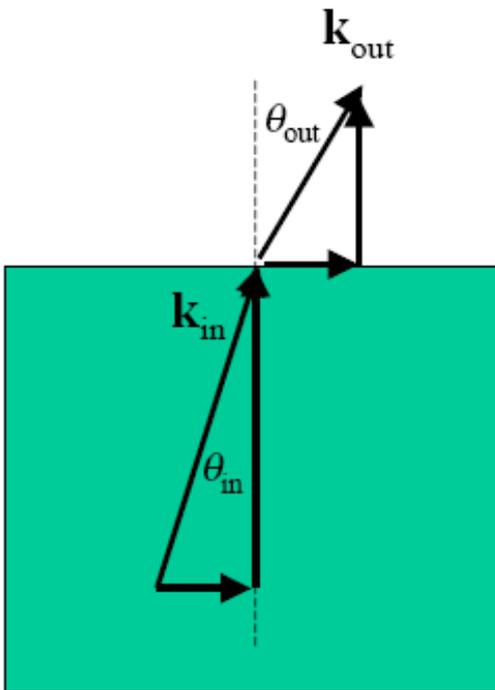
$$k_{||}(\text{inside}) = k_{||}(\text{outside})$$

Conservation of linear momentum

Important for 3D and 2D band mapping

$$k_{\perp} = 0.5123 \sqrt{(E_{kin} \cos^2 \theta + V_0)}$$

Conservation of linear momentum parallel to the surface



Kinematic relations

$$k_{out} = \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E_{kin}}$$

$$k_{in} = \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E_{kin} + V_0)}$$

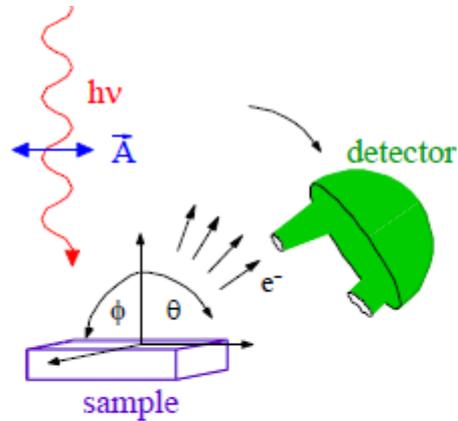
$$k_{out,\parallel} = k_{in,\parallel} \equiv k_{\parallel}$$

“Snell’s Law”

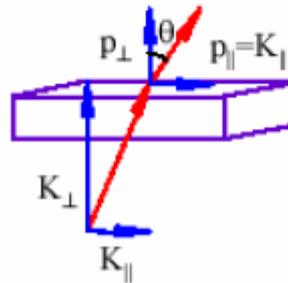
$$k_{\parallel} = \sin \theta_{out} \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} E_{kin}} = \sin \theta_{in} \sqrt{\frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (E_{kin} + V_0)}$$

Critical angle for emission

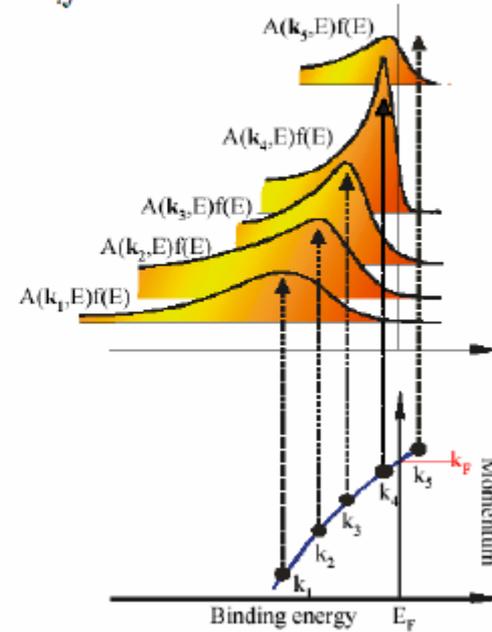
$$(\sin \theta_{out})_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{E_{kin}}{E_{kin} + V_0}}$$



Electron momentum
Parallel to the surface is
conserved



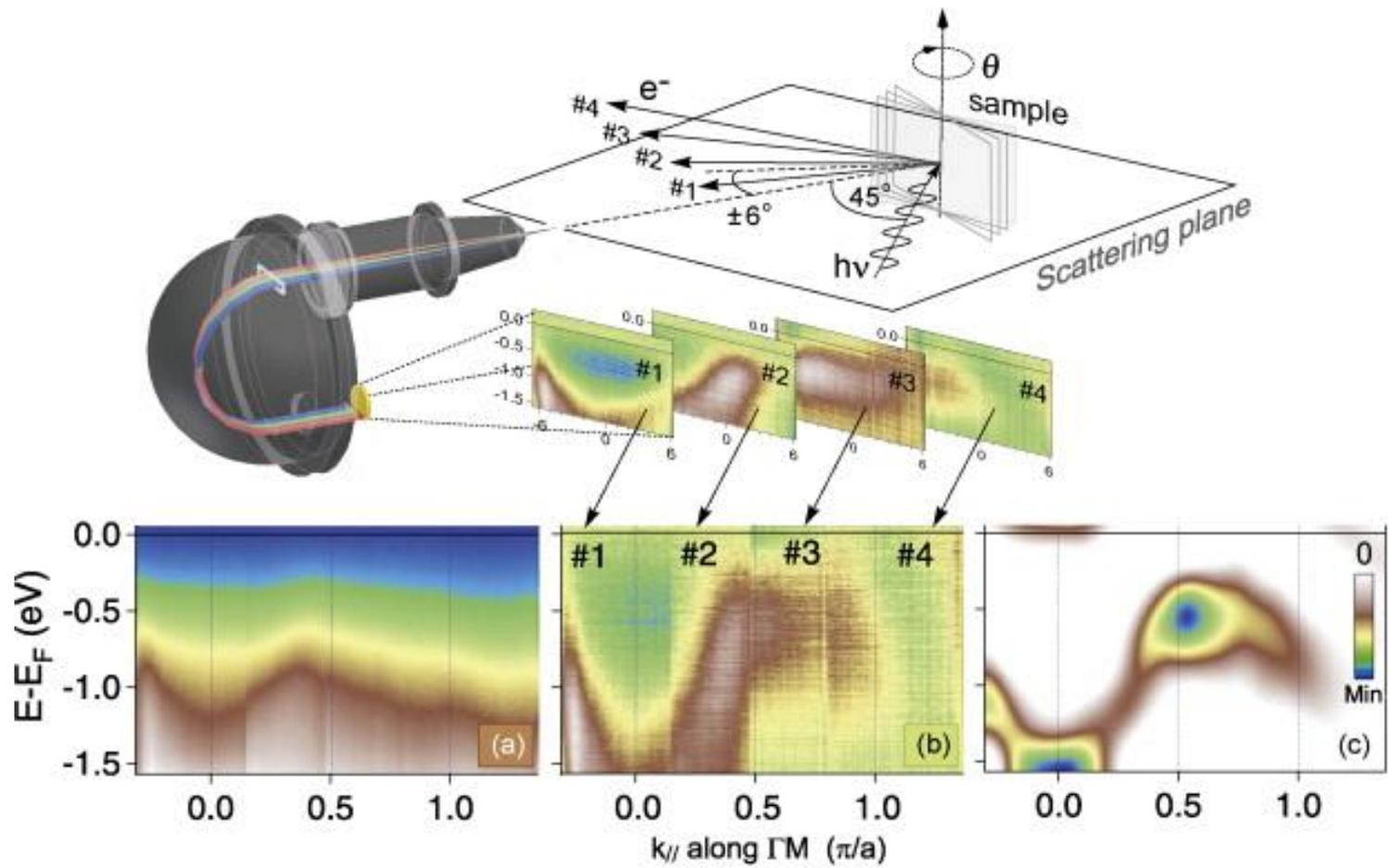
$$\text{Intensity} \propto \sum_{if} \left| \langle f | \vec{p} \cdot \vec{A} | i \rangle \right|^2 A(\vec{k}, E) f(E)$$



$$k_{\perp} = 0.5123 \sqrt{(E_{kin} \cos^2 \theta + V_0)}$$

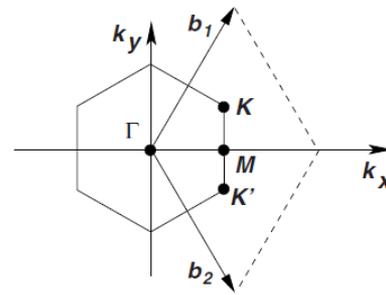
$$k_{\parallel} = 0.5123 \sqrt{E_{kin}} \sin \theta$$

- Low photon energy provides better momentum resolution, but the covering range of BZ is also small.
- We expect to study the electronic structure of solids at VUV region (10 eV ~ 100 eV).



$$k_{\perp} = 0.5123 \sqrt{(E_{kin} \cos^2 \theta + V_0)}$$

$$k_{//} = 0.5123 \sqrt{E_{kin}} \sin \theta$$



Lattice constant :
 Graphene : 2.46 Å
 Cu(111) : 2.08 Å
 MoS₂ : 3.12 Å

- ✓ Assume the work function is 4.3 eV , please estimate the largest covering range of BZ at the Fermi level at 6 eV, 21.2 eV, 50 eV, 100 eV and 500 eV photon energy.

Answer: 0.67 Å⁻¹, 2.11 Å⁻¹, 3.46 Å⁻¹, 5.01 Å⁻¹, 11.4 Å⁻¹

- ✓ The angle between the incident beam and spectrometer is 50 degree, please estimate the covering range of BZ at 6 eV, 21.2 eV, 50 eV, 100 eV and 500 eV photon energy.

Answer: 0.51 Å⁻¹, 1.61 Å⁻¹, 2.65 Å⁻¹, 3.83 Å⁻¹, 8.45 Å⁻¹

- ✓ The BZ in single layer graphene, the magnitude of ΓK is 1.703 Å⁻¹. If you plan to probe the band structure of graphene near the K-point, what are the required angle between the surface normal and spectrometer at 6 eV, 21.2 eV, 50 eV, 100 eV and 500 eV photon energy?

Answer: mission impossible, 54 degree, 29.5 degree, 19.9 degree, 8.6 degree

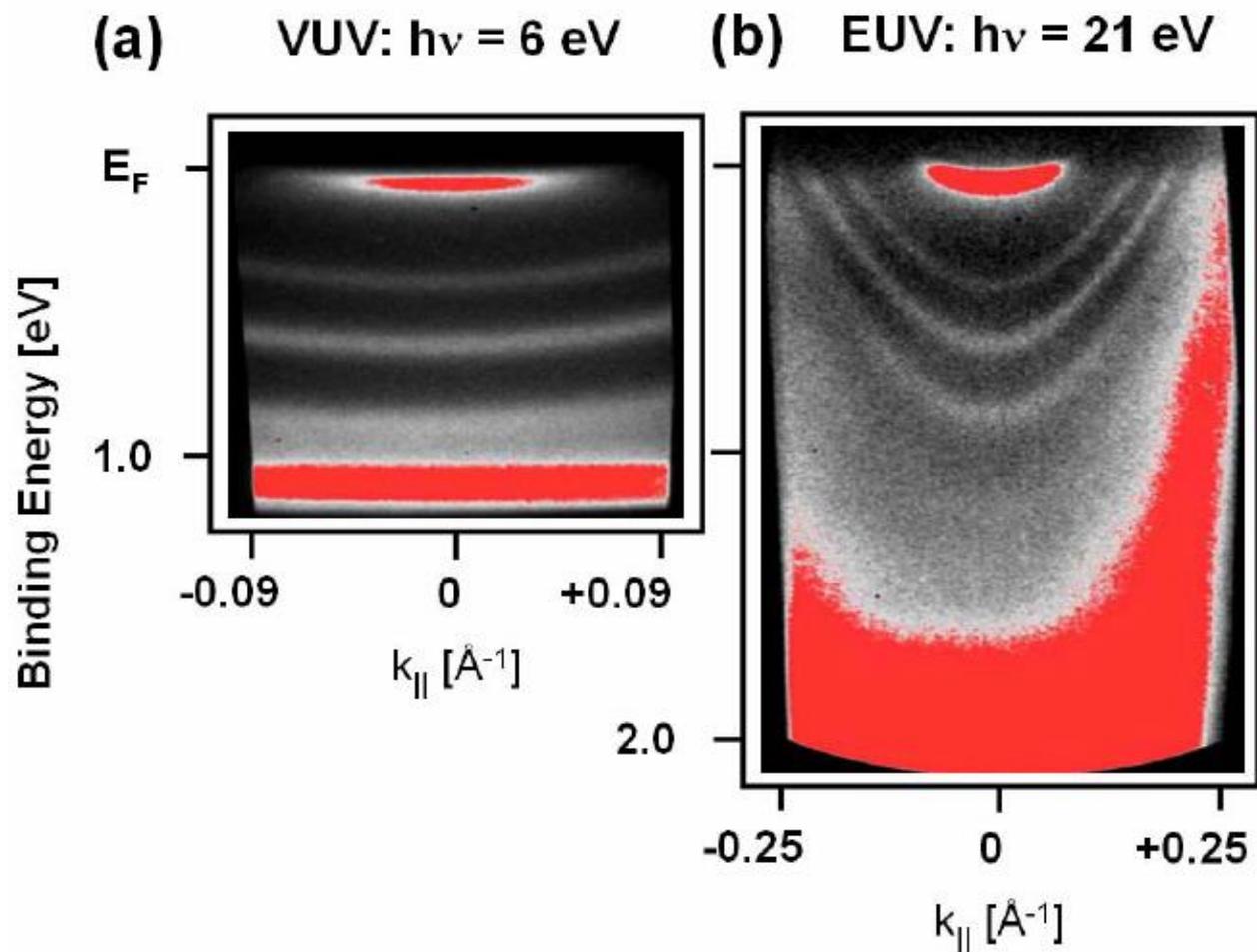
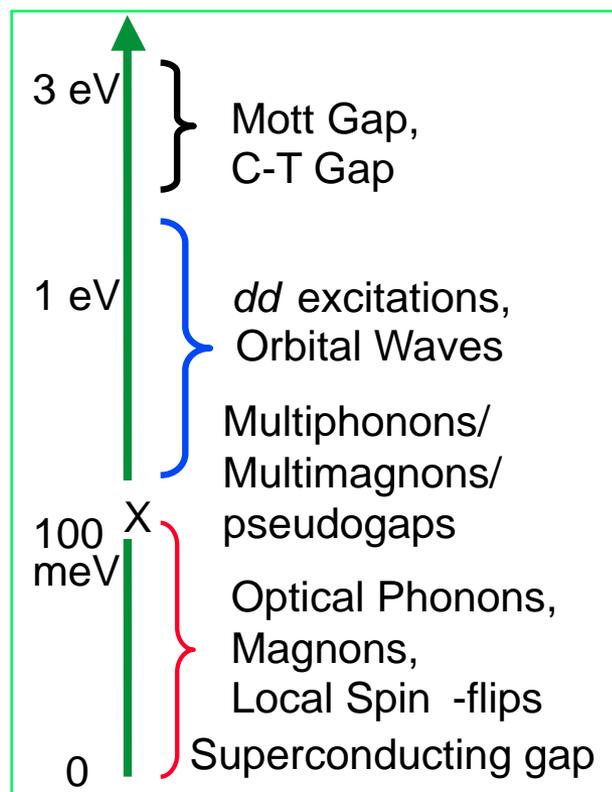


Figure 3. Angle-resolved photoemission spectra of the Shockley surface state and a series of quantum well states of 40 ML Ag/Cu(111) recorded at photon energies of 6 eV (fourth harmonic of the Ti:sapphire oscillator, 4(a)) and 21.22 eV (He I line of a discharge VUV lamp, 4(b)), respectively.

- You need to understand the crystal structure of solids.
- The sample characterization, such as the orientation and crystalline, is quite important before the experiment.
- XRD, Laue diffraction and LEED are required.

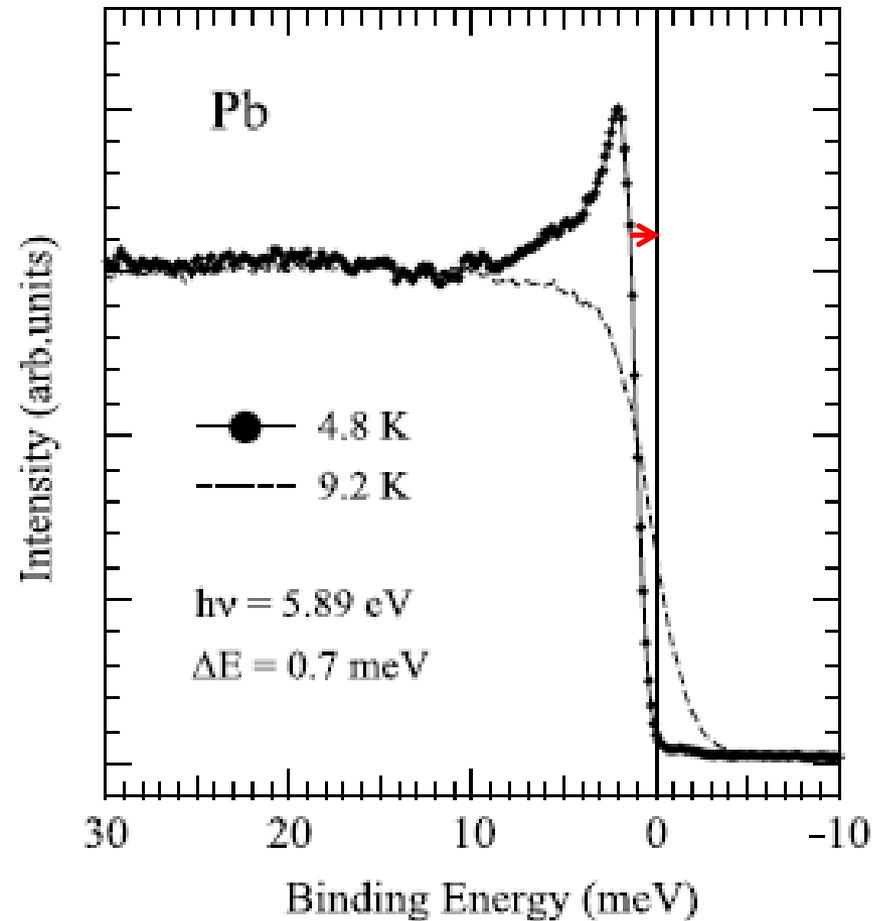
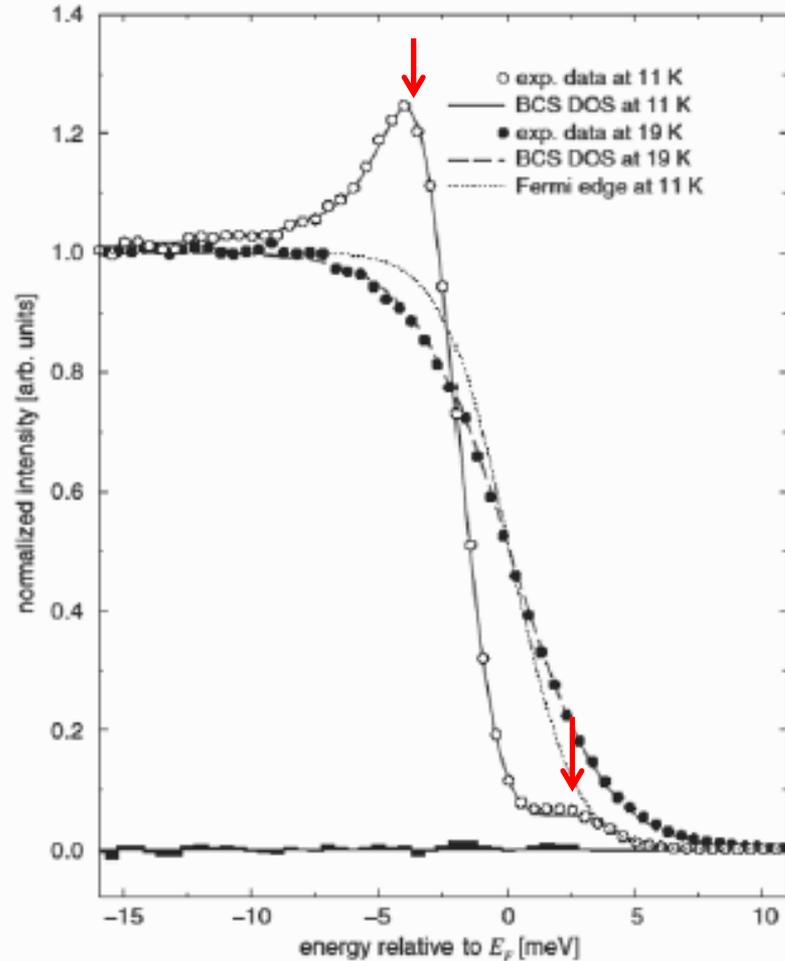
Energy scale and important excitations



- Superconducting gap $\sim 1 - 100\text{meV}$
- Optical Phonons: $\sim 40 - 200\text{ meV}$
- Magnons: $\sim 10\text{ meV} - 40\text{ meV}$
- Pseudogap $\sim 30-300\text{ meV}$
- Multiphonons and multimagnons $\sim 50-500\text{ meV}$
- Orbital fluctuations (originated from optically forbidden *d-d* excitations): $\sim 100\text{ meV} - 1.5\text{ eV}$

Requirement: High Energy Resolution with High Intensity

Superconducting gap



Light sources and terminology

- **Ultraviolet Photoemission Spectroscopy (UPS)**

- UV He lamp (21.2 eV, 40.8 eV)
- Laser : 6 eV (BBO), 8 eV (KBBF), 11 eV (gas cell) or HHG (High harmonic generation)
- Valence band PES, direct electronic state info.

- X-ray Photoemission Spectroscopy (XPS)

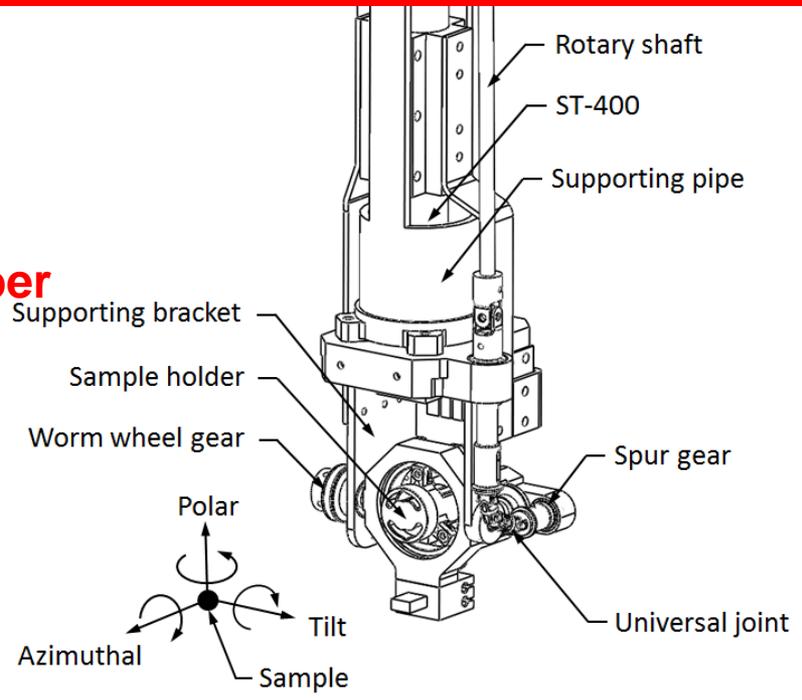
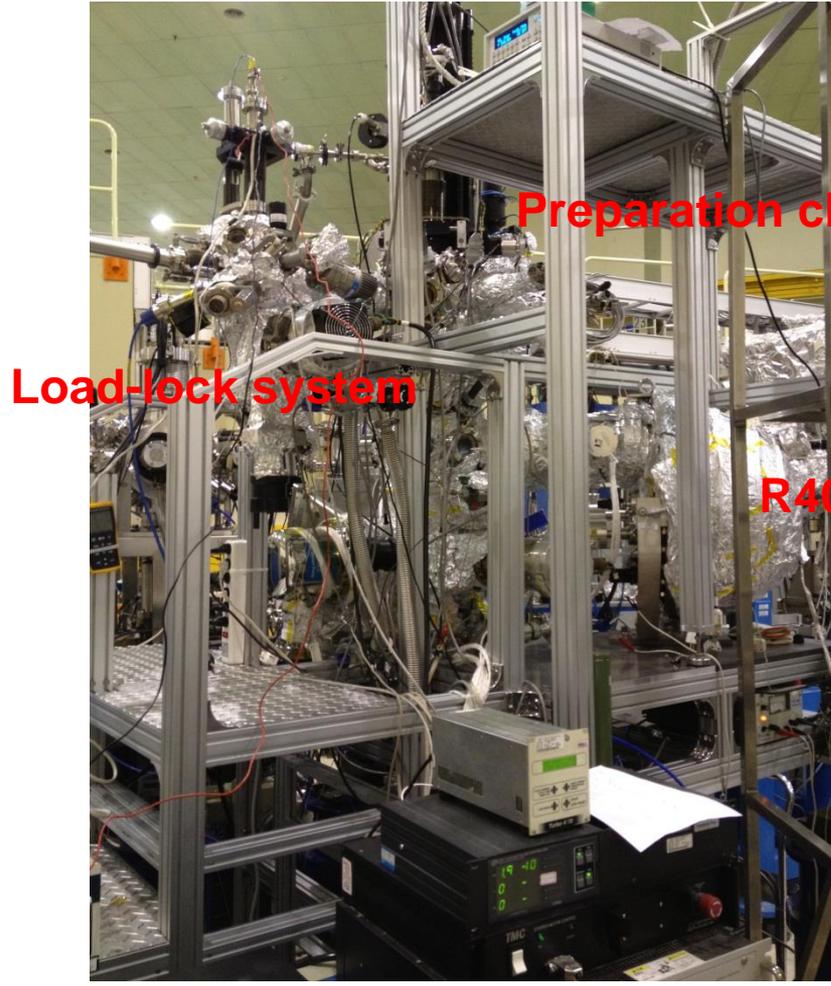
(Electron Spectroscopy for Chemical Analysis) (ESCA)

- X-ray gun (Al: 1486.6 eV, Mg: 1253.6 eV)
- core level PE, indirect electronic state info
- chemical analysis

- **Synchrotron radiation**

- continuous tunable wavelength
- valence band and core level

Current status of ARPES end station at TLS



Energy range : 5 eV~120 eV

E/ΔE: 100,000 at 16 eV and 64 eV

Scienta R4000 analyzer

Manipulator : 6-axis motorized manipulator

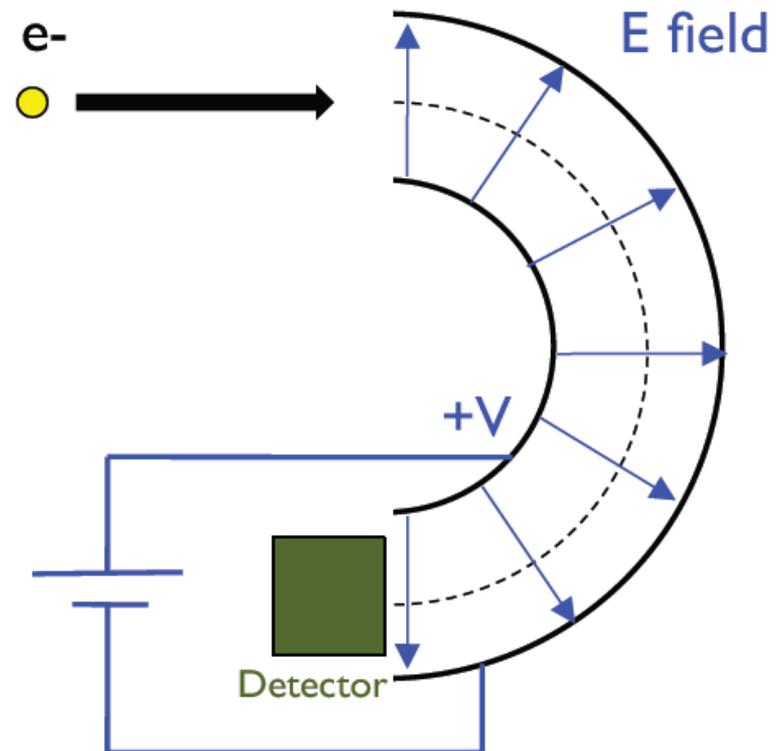
Sample Preparation: *in-situ* cleave, thin film growth

Measurement temperature range : 10 K~ 350 K

Base pressure : 4.5×10^{-11} torr

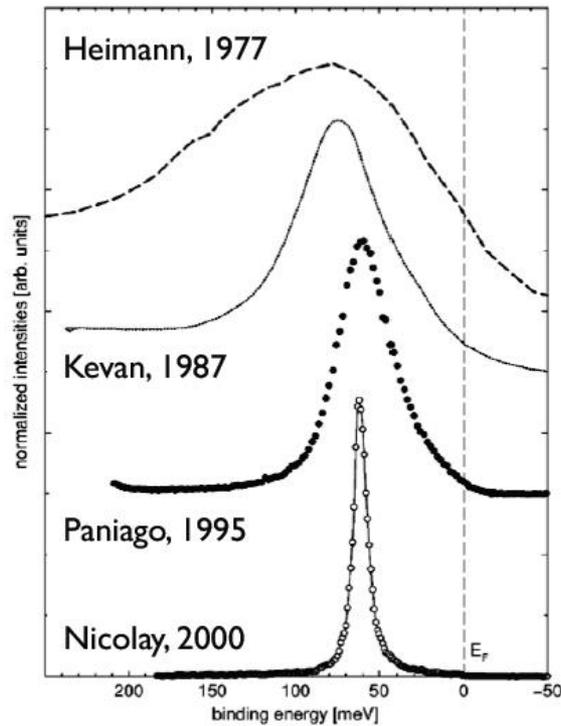
Basic principles of electron spectrometers / analyzers

- typical energy resolution ~ 0.1 to 0.01 eV. Best systems are ~ 0.001 eV.
- most electron analyzers operate using electrostatic optics (magnetic fields harder to control)
- detectors are typically channel plates (electron multipliers) with a CCD or current pulse output
- detecting & manipulating electrons is relatively easy

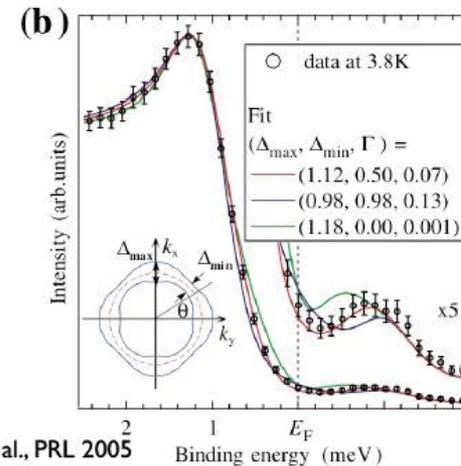
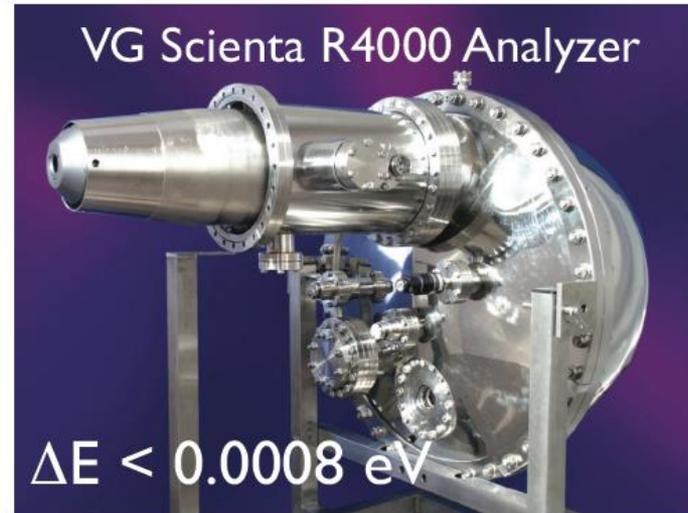


The state-of-the-art in electron spectroscopy

Evolution of instrumental resolution over time



F. Reinert et al., PRB (2001)



T. Kiss et al., PRL 2005

Early ARPES experimental result

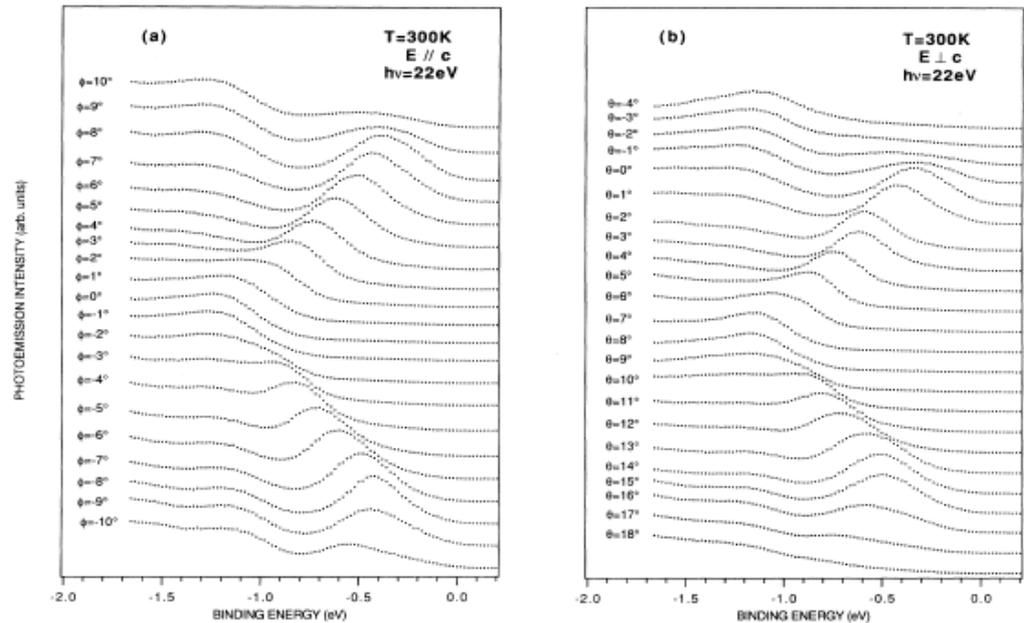
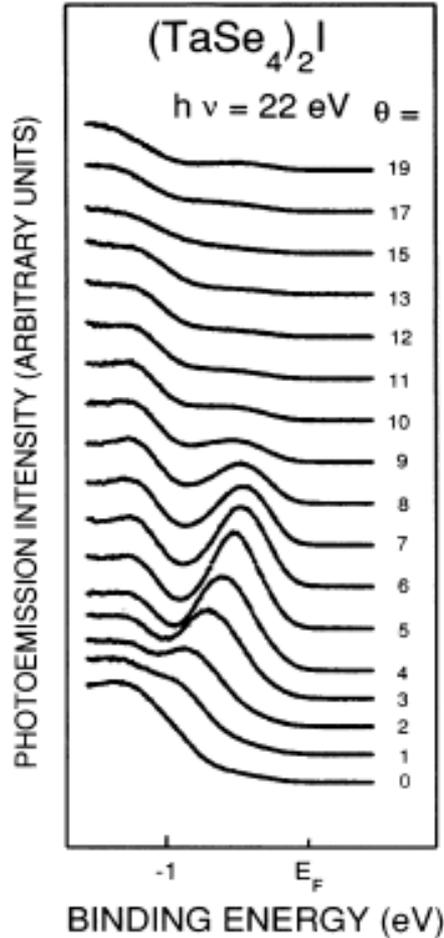
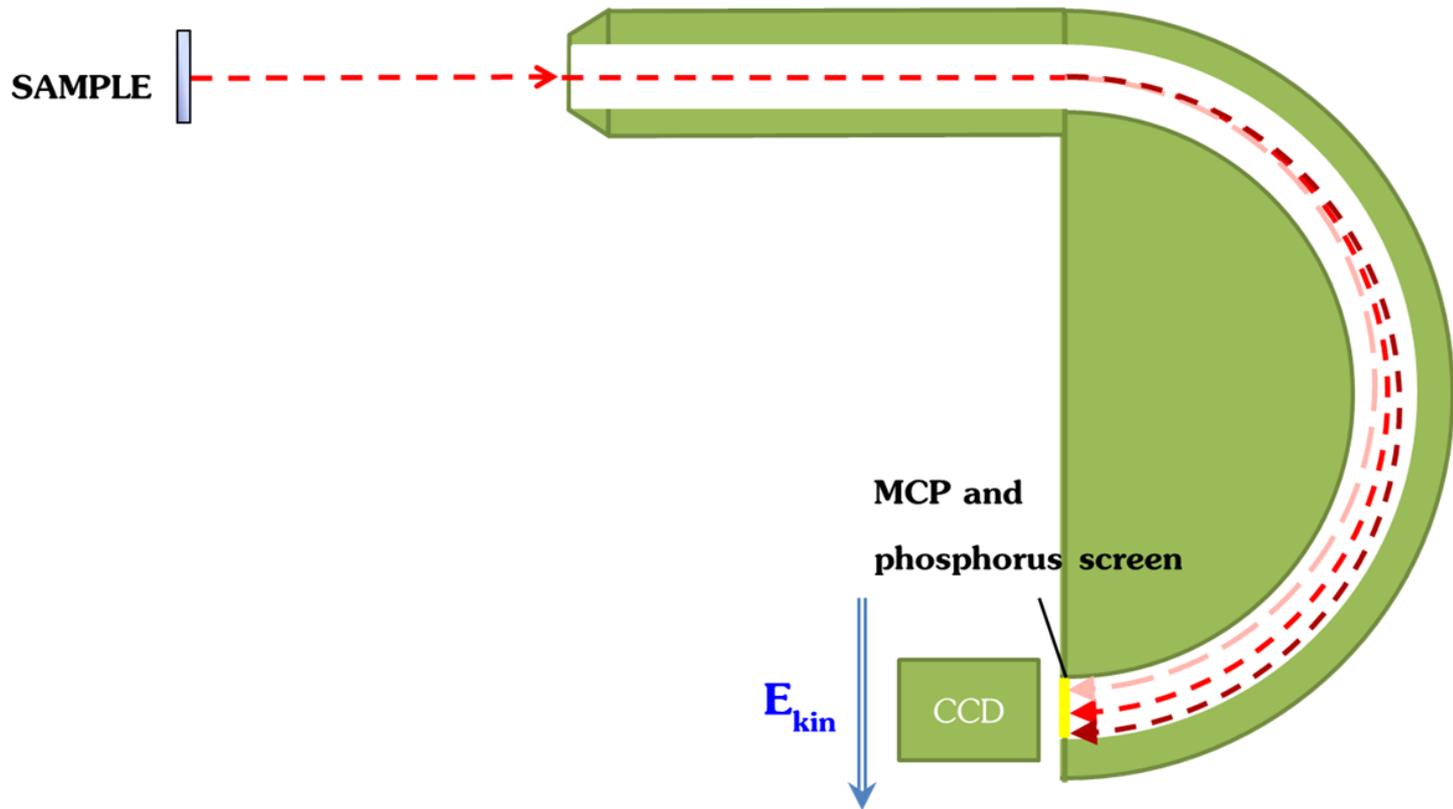


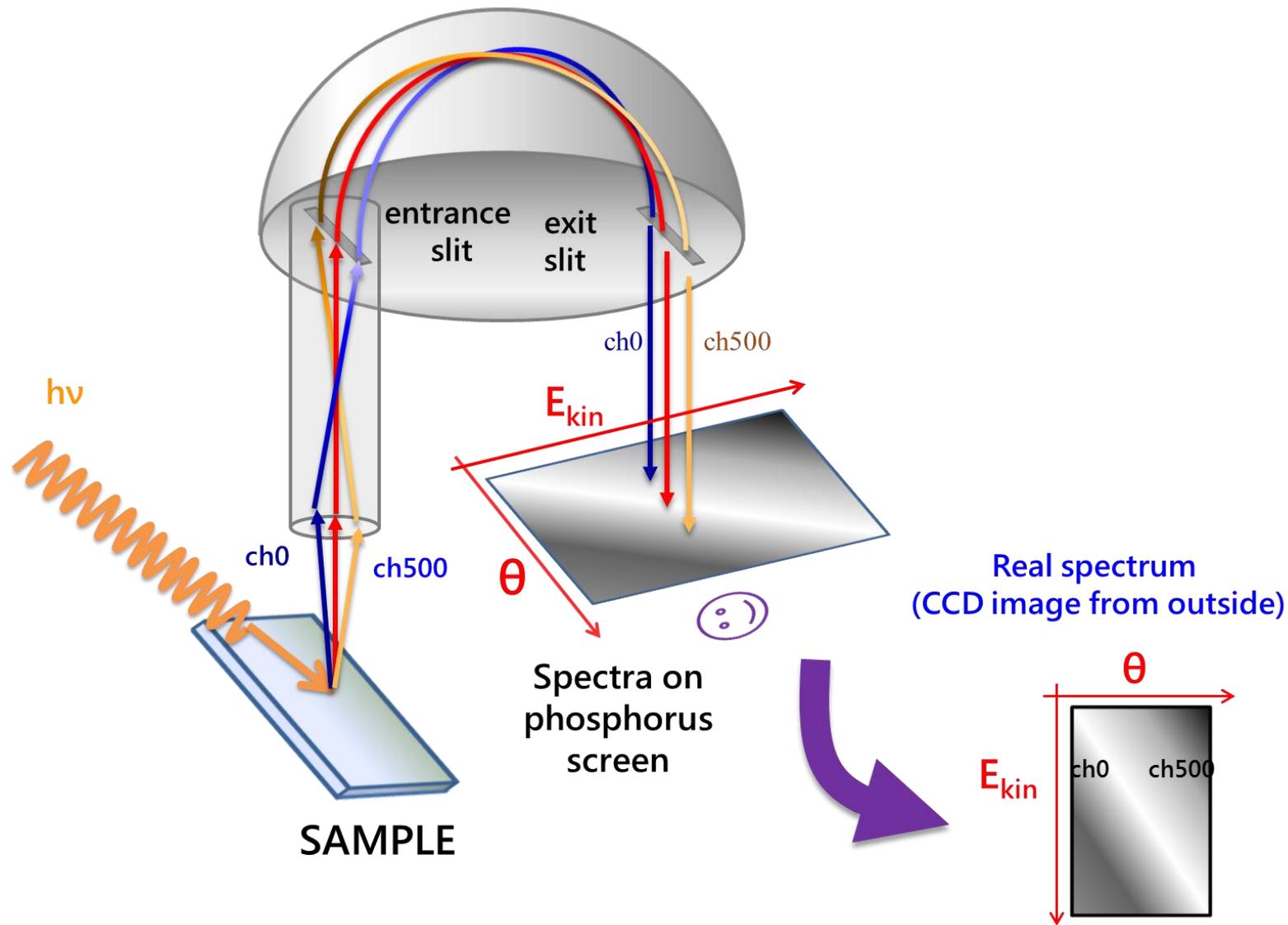
FIG. 1. Angle-resolved photoemission spectra taken using 22-eV photon energy, at room temperature, for photon electric field (a) parallel and (b) perpendicular to the conducting axis. The emission angle is along the conducting axis, with the surface normal defined as 0°.

FIG. 1. A series of high-energy-resolution angle-resolved photoemission spectra, taken along the direction of the sample and for different values of the azimuthal angle.

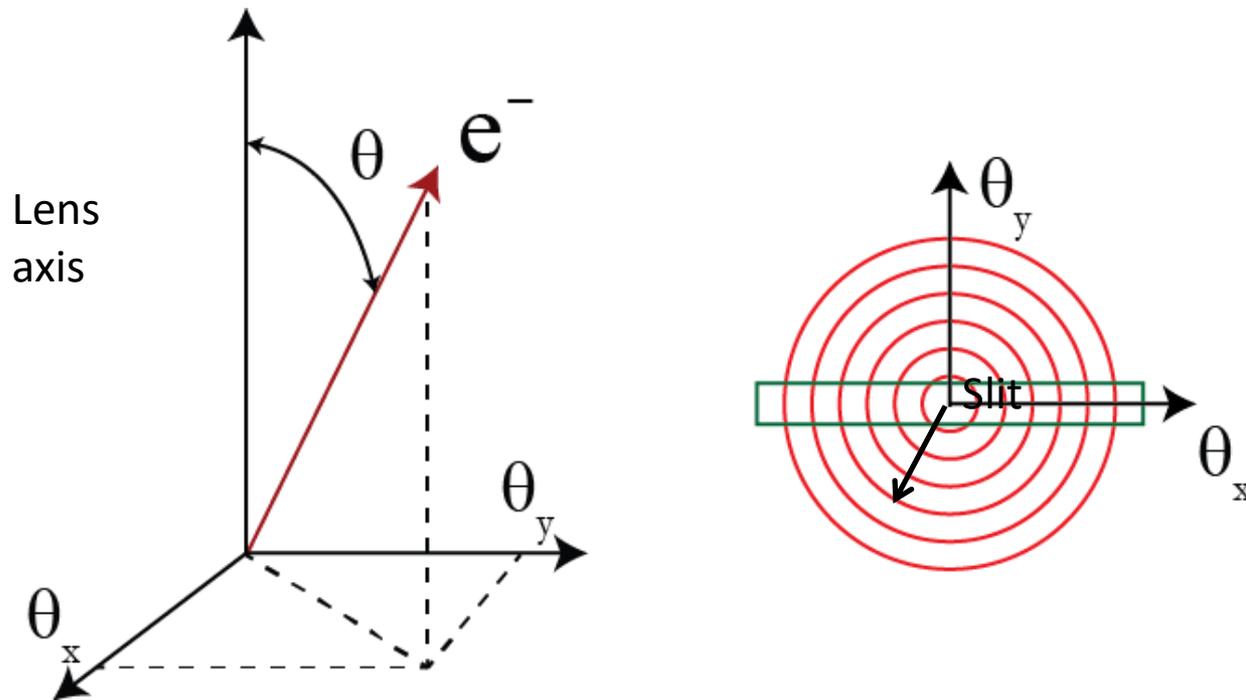
Now a 2-D detector with $\pm 30^\circ$ and 0.1° angular resolution can be obtained.

SCIANTA R4000 Side View



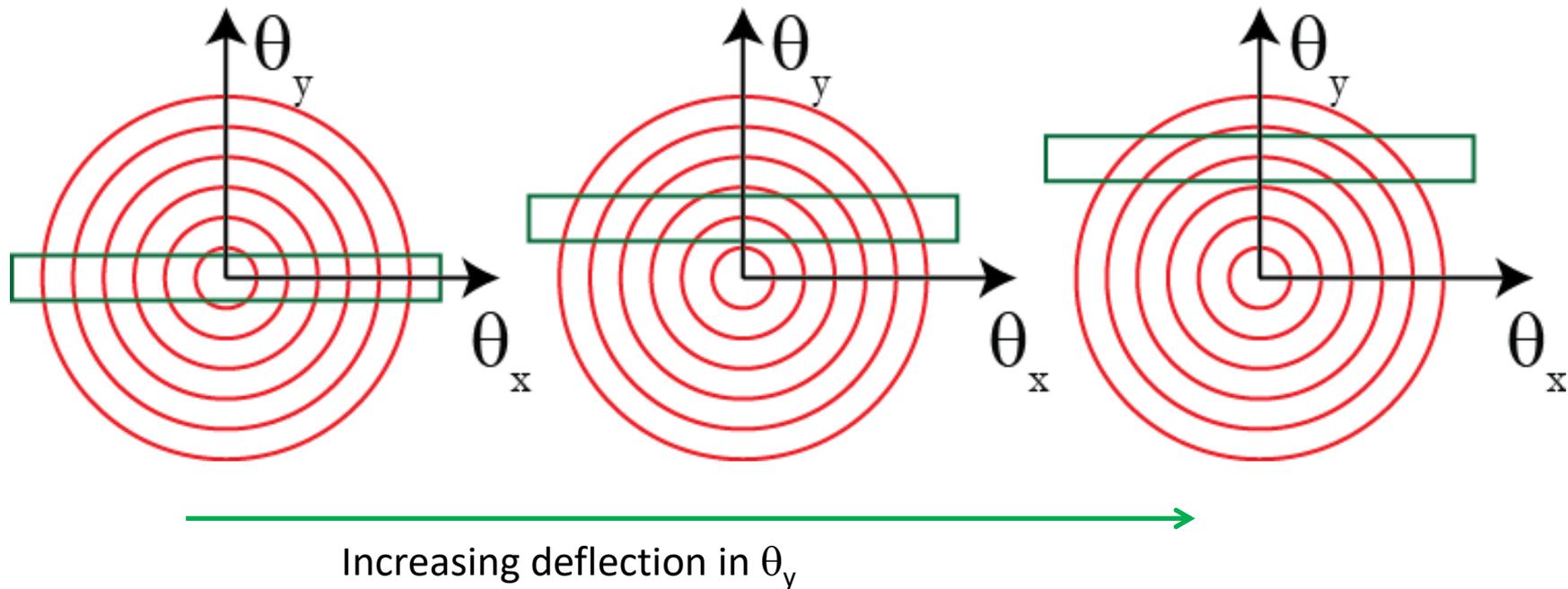


- Angle-resolved spectrometers collect electrons as a function of kinetic energy and emission angle
- Due to the slit, only angles along one axis (q_x) can be detected simultaneously

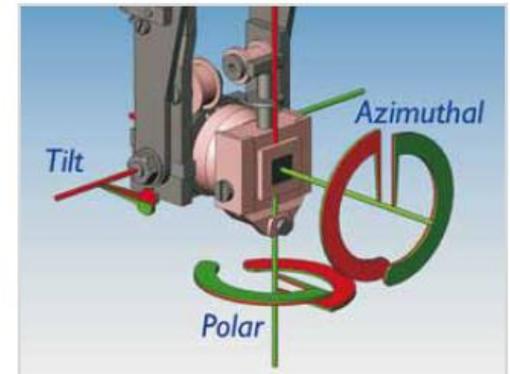


Constant energy mapping for ARPES Scan

- Deflection can also be done in θ_y
- This enables **full cone detection**, $0 < \theta < 15^\circ$, **without sample rotation**

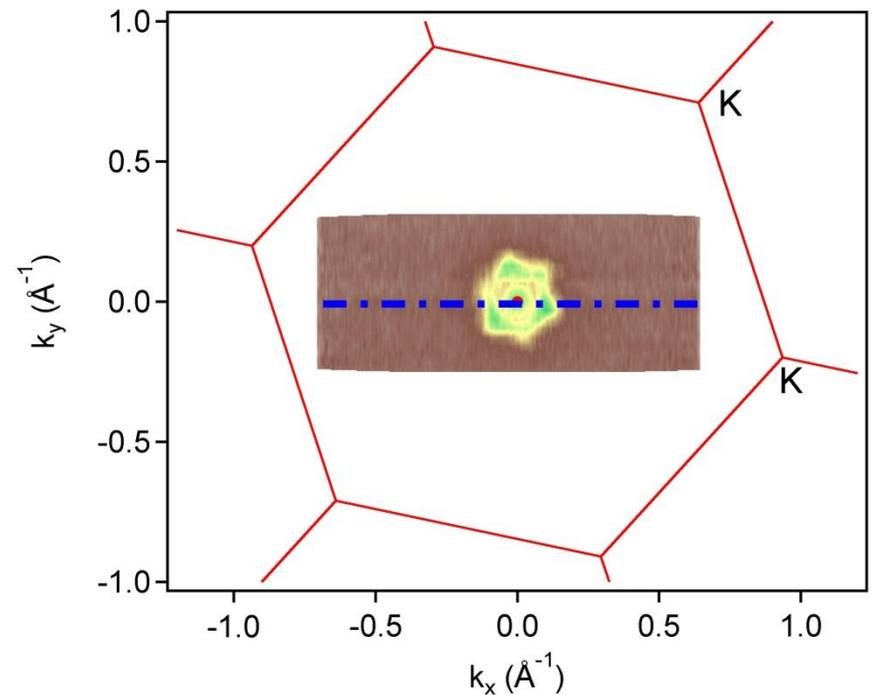
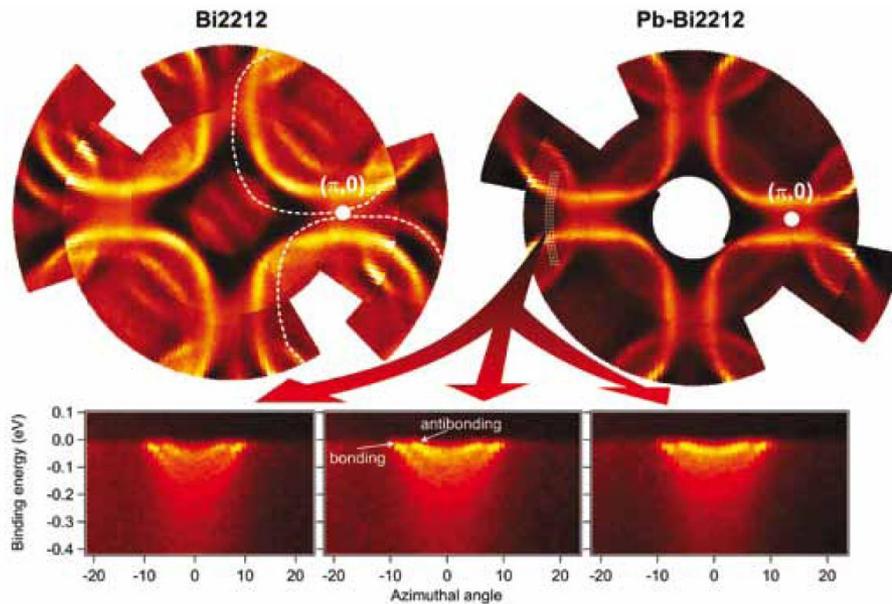


Angle is the soul of ARPES: Band mapping

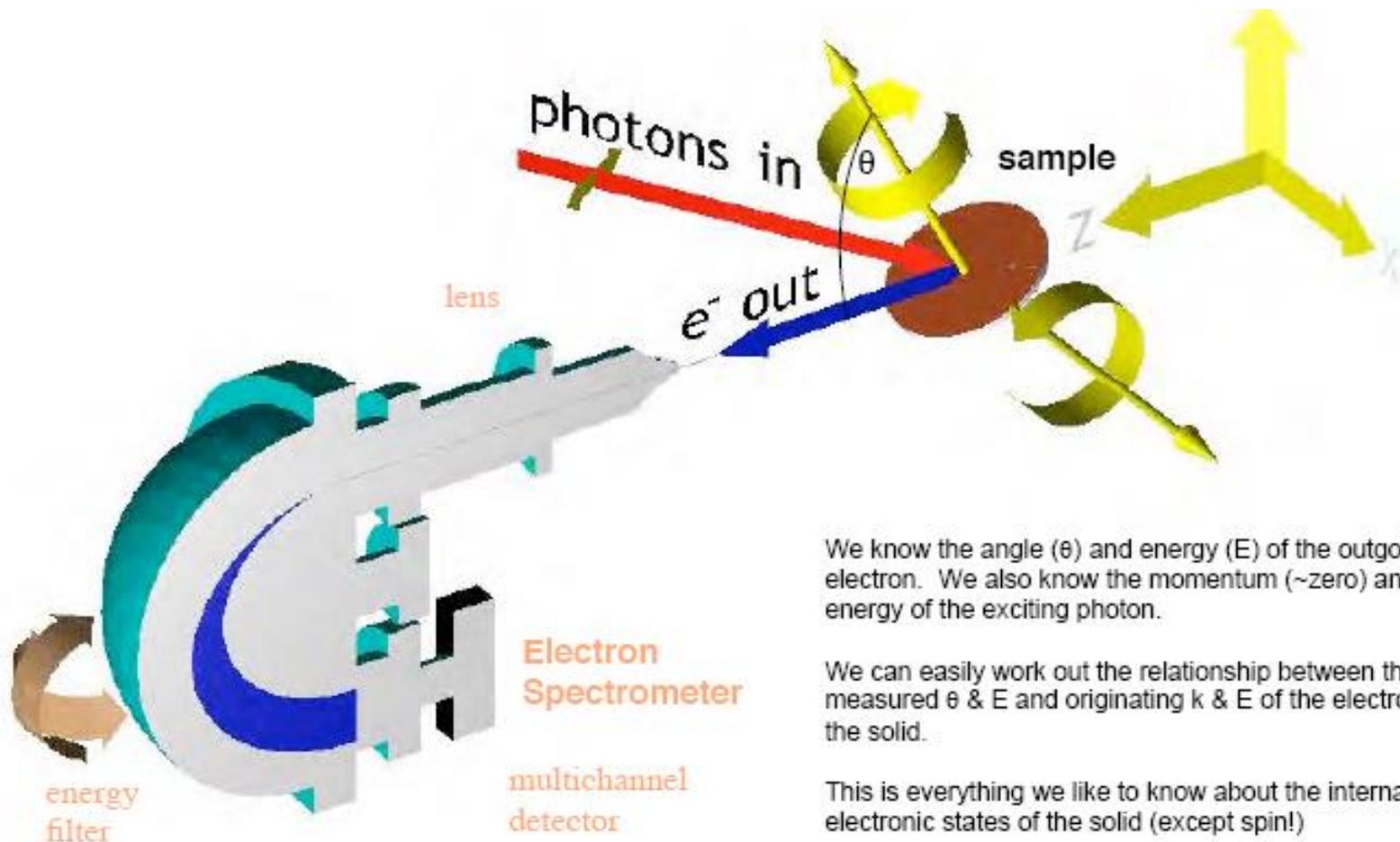


Azimuthal angle scan

Tilt angle scan



Experimental geometry



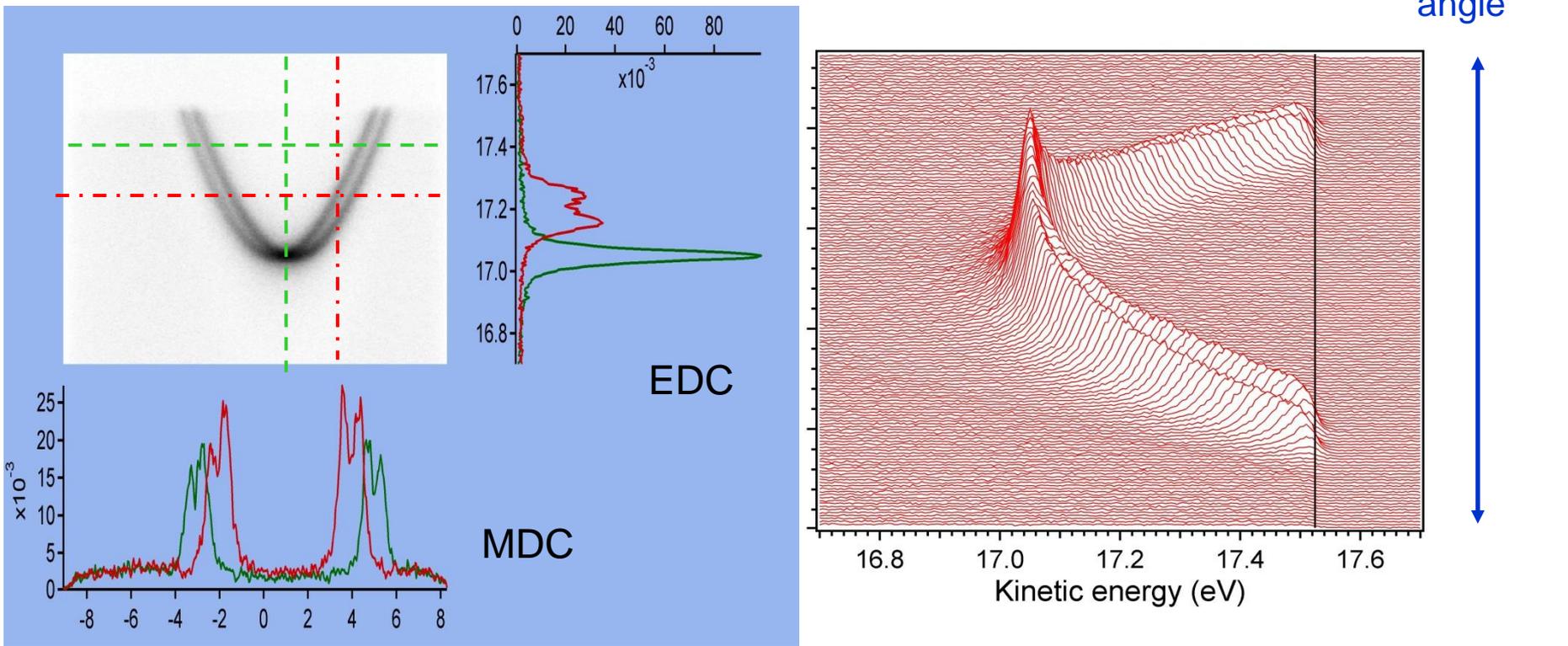
We know the angle (θ) and energy (E) of the outgoing electron. We also know the momentum (\sim zero) and the energy of the exciting photon.

We can easily work out the relationship between the measured θ & E and originating k & E of the electrons in the solid.

This is everything we like to know about the internal electronic states of the solid (except spin!)

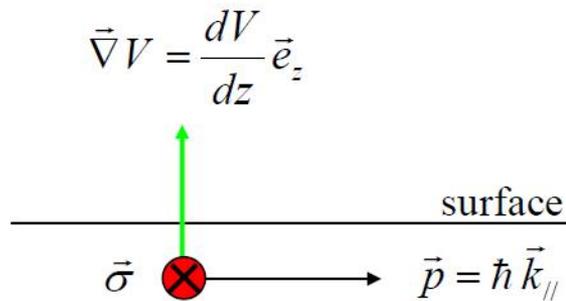
Typical Experimental Result

Accumulate spectra of Rashba effect on Au(111) as the angle is scanned



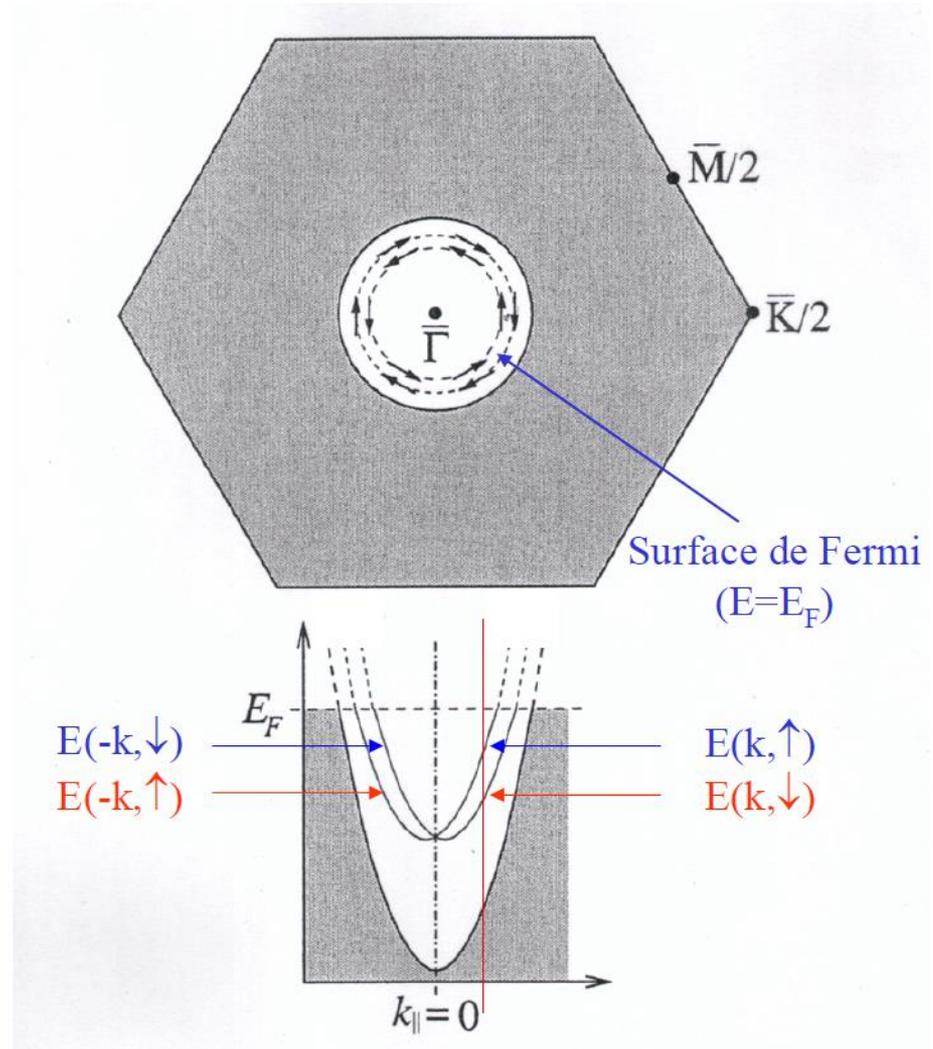
Au(111) : The inversion symmetry is broken at the surface

$$H_{so} = \frac{\hbar}{4m^2c^2} (\vec{\nabla}V \wedge \vec{p}) \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

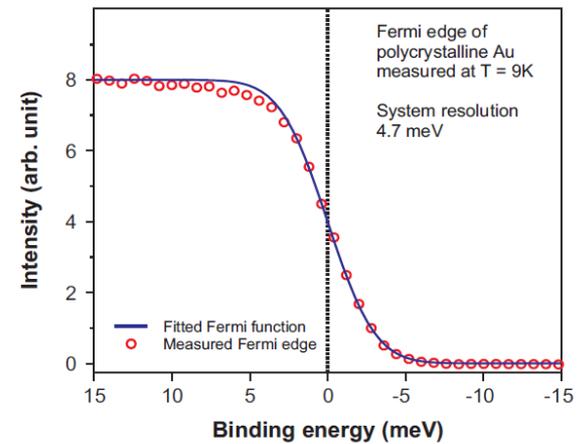
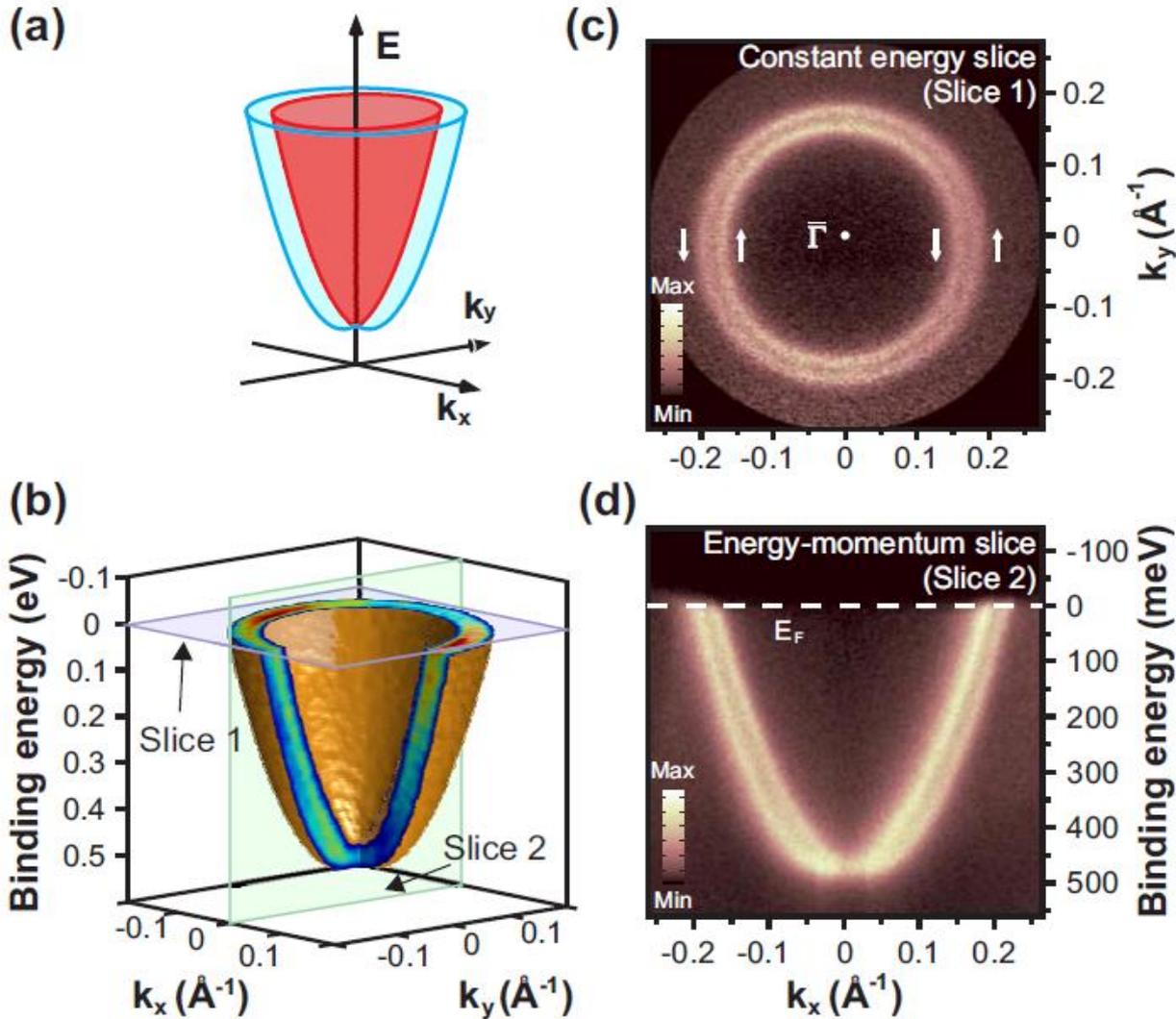


In a nearly free electron picture,
 $\vec{\nabla}V$ is perpendicular to the surface

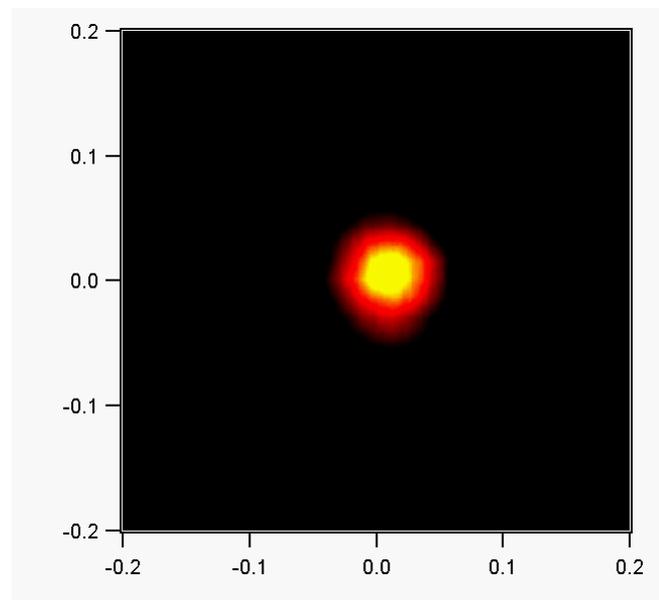
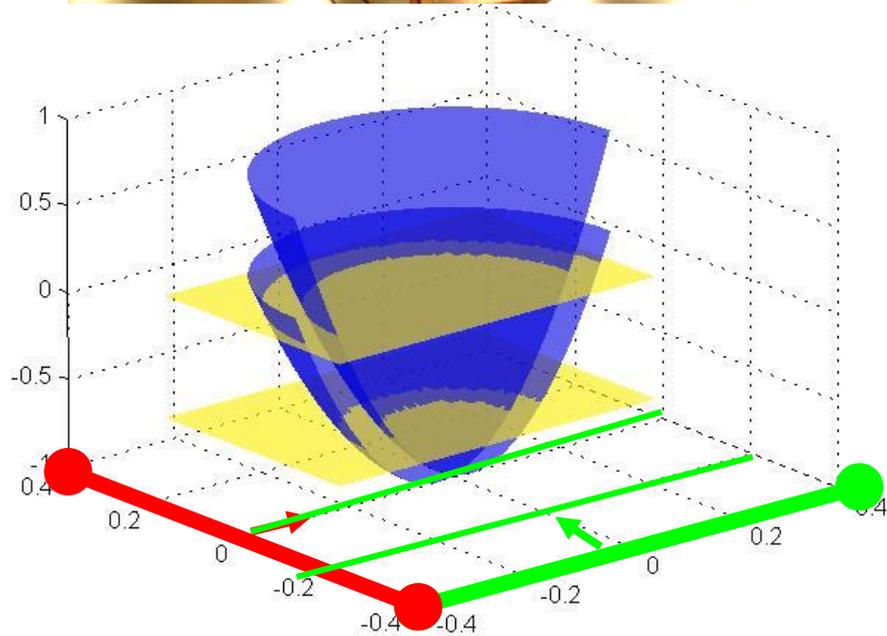
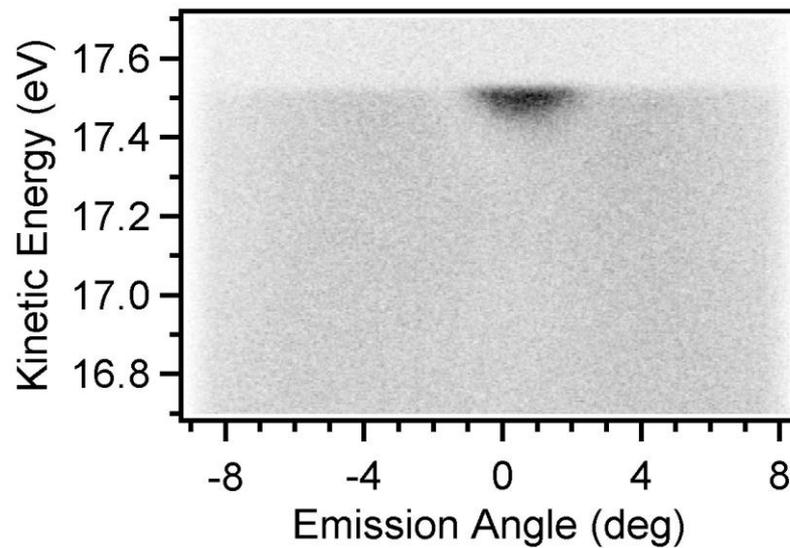
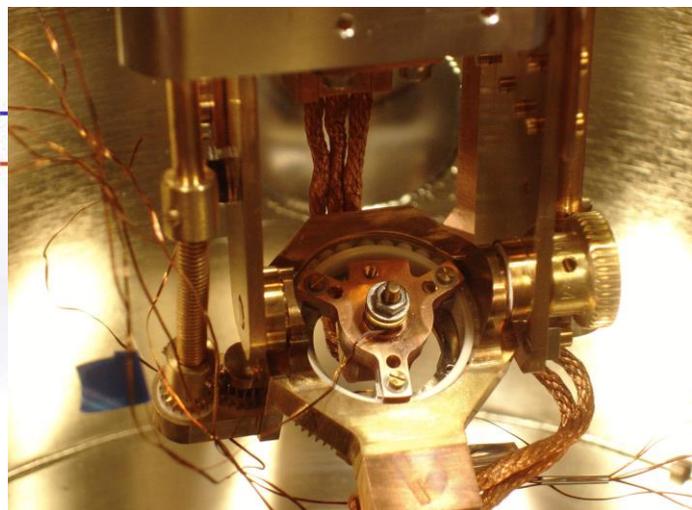
→ two spin polarized SS bands



Surface state of Au(111)

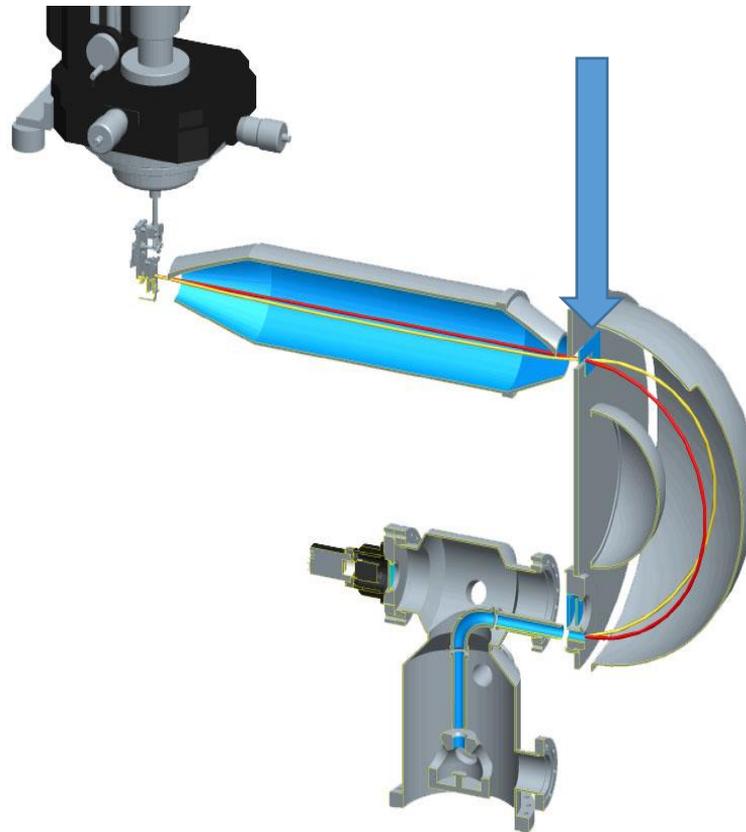


Rashba effect on Au(111)

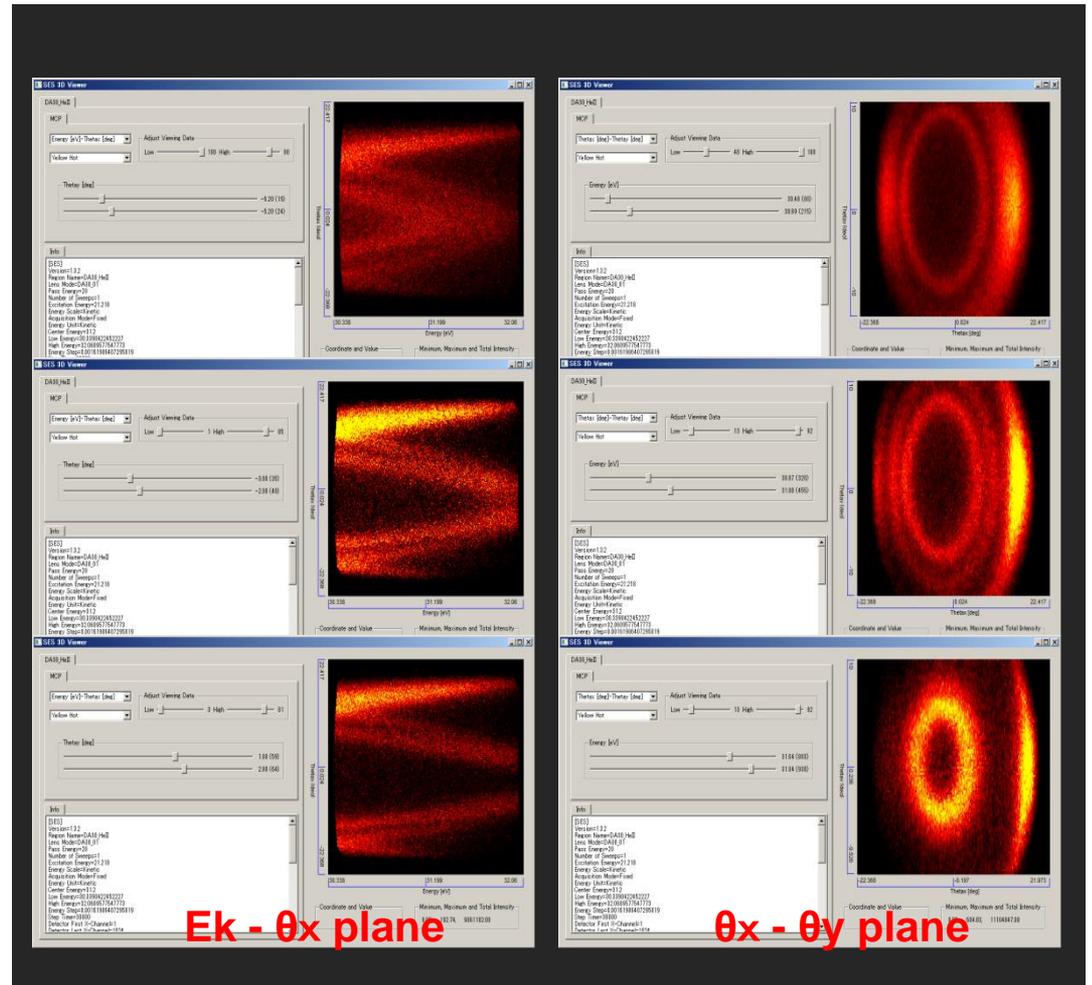
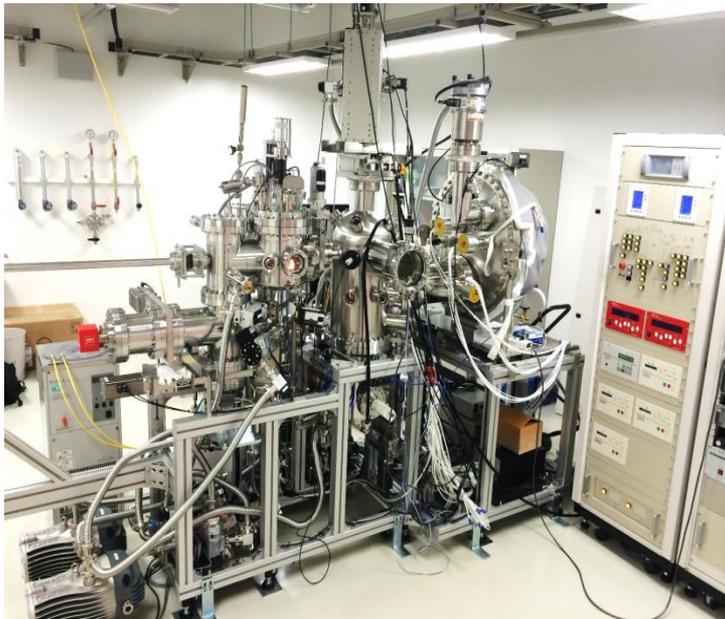


Deflector analyser

- With the deflector analyser, the electron trajectories can be deflected, to change the range of emission angles that reaches the detector
- Deflection can be done in q_x and in q_y .

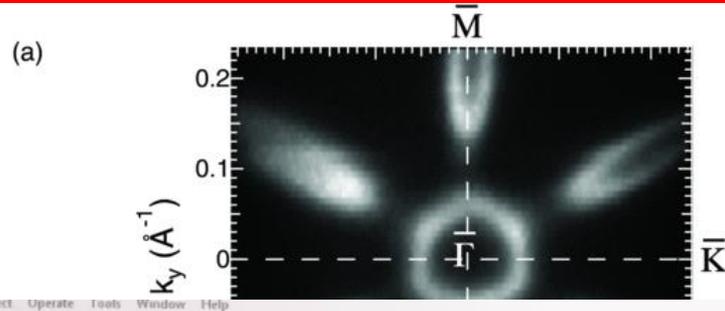


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Data courtesy : Dr. Yamane, IMS

The Fermi surface of Bi(111)



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Electron Escape Depth : Surface Sensitivity

Why are electrons so useful as probes of surfaces?

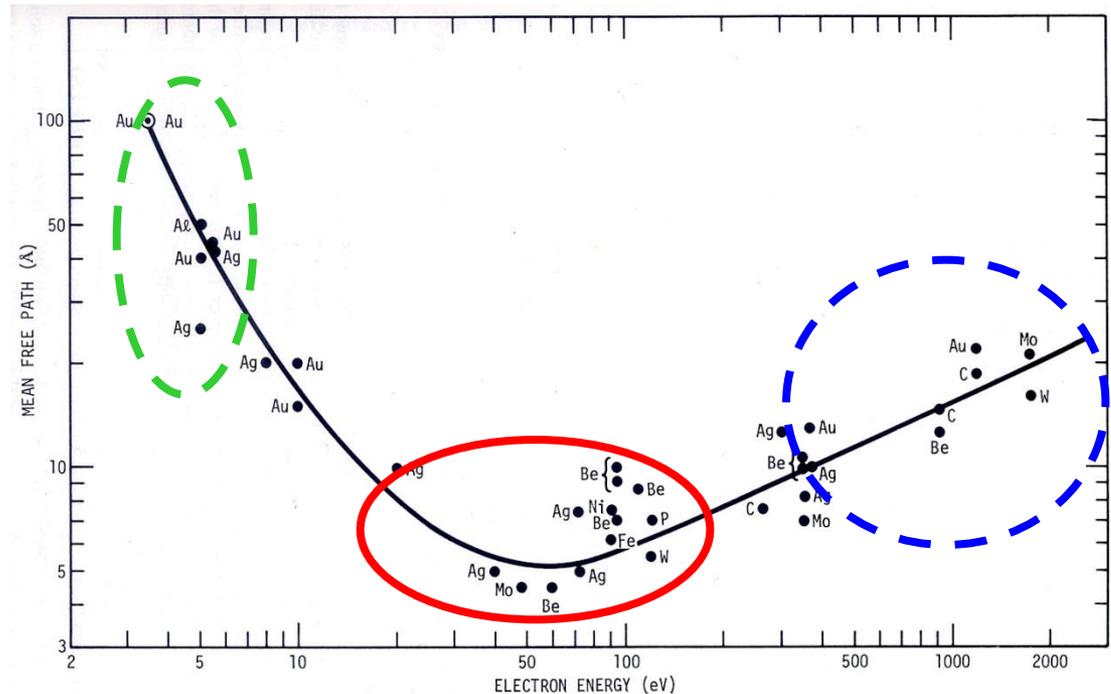
Or

Not so useful for studying bulk properties !!

Minimum due to electron-electron scattering, mainly plasmons

PES is a surface sensitive technique! (requires UHV)

High energy photoemission: several keV to increase bulk sensitivity



The requirement of ARPES

- UHV environment : better than 1×10^{-10} Torr
- Single crystals or *in-situ* growth thin films
- Conductors or semiconductors
- Tunable photon energies

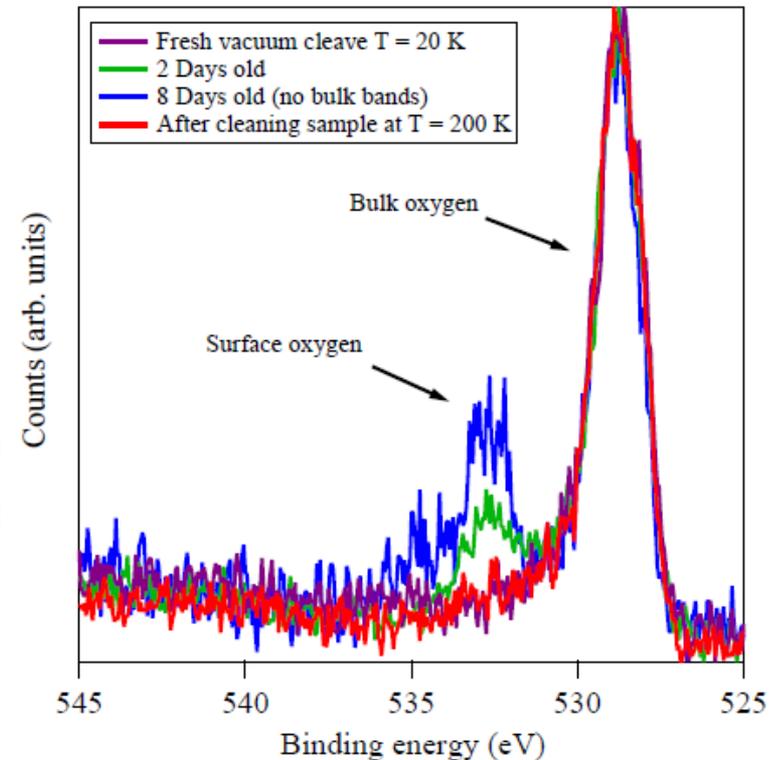
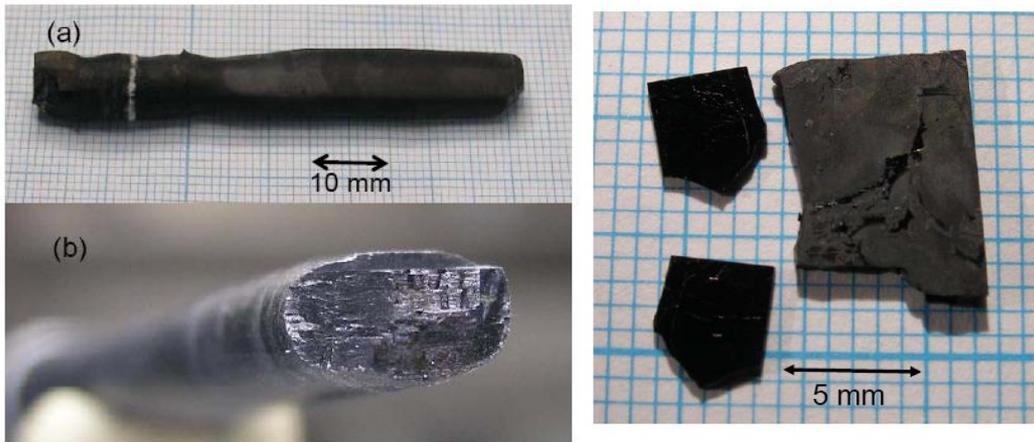
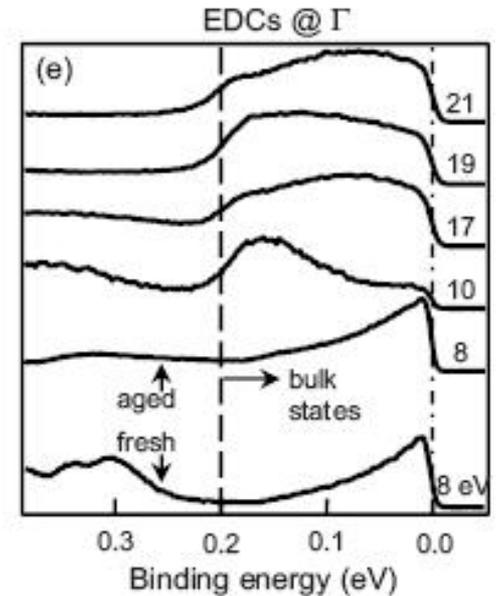
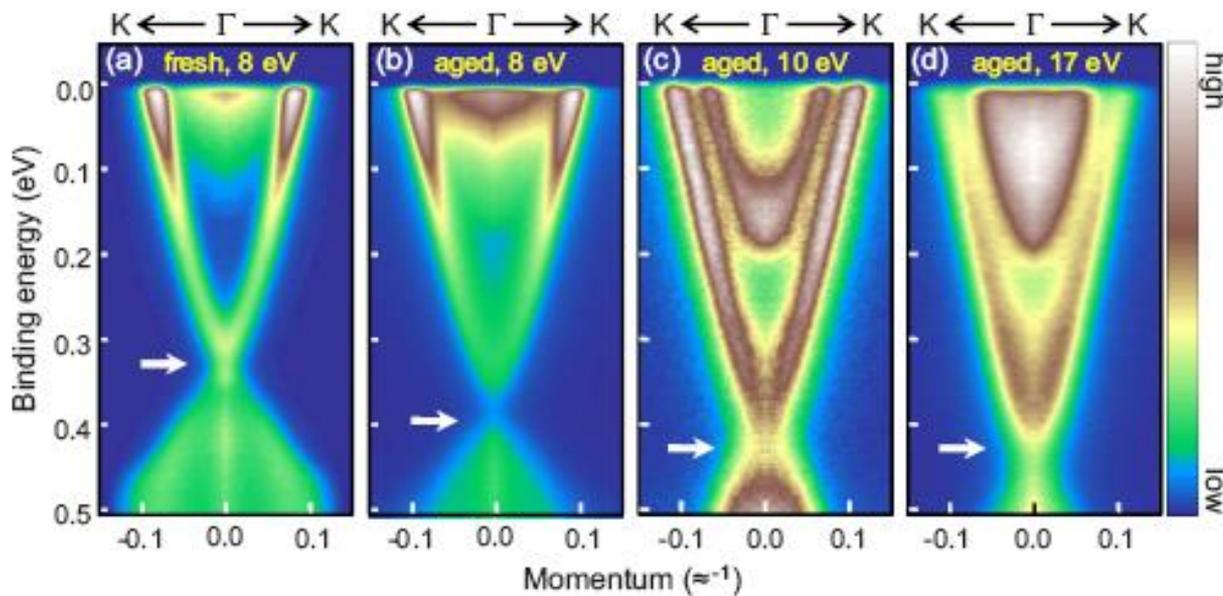


Figure 5.2: (color) The oxygen 1s peaks from Bi2212 at different times after the cleave. A constant background was subtracted from each spectrum to allow direct comparison. The peak derived from bulk oxygen is stable over time, while the surface oxygen peak grows as more oxygen sticks to the cold surface.

HC Hsu, Ph.D. Thesis NTNU(2010)
Koralek, U. Colorado Ph.D. Thesis (2007)

Single crystals or *in-situ* growth well-ordered thin films are favorable for ARPES measurement

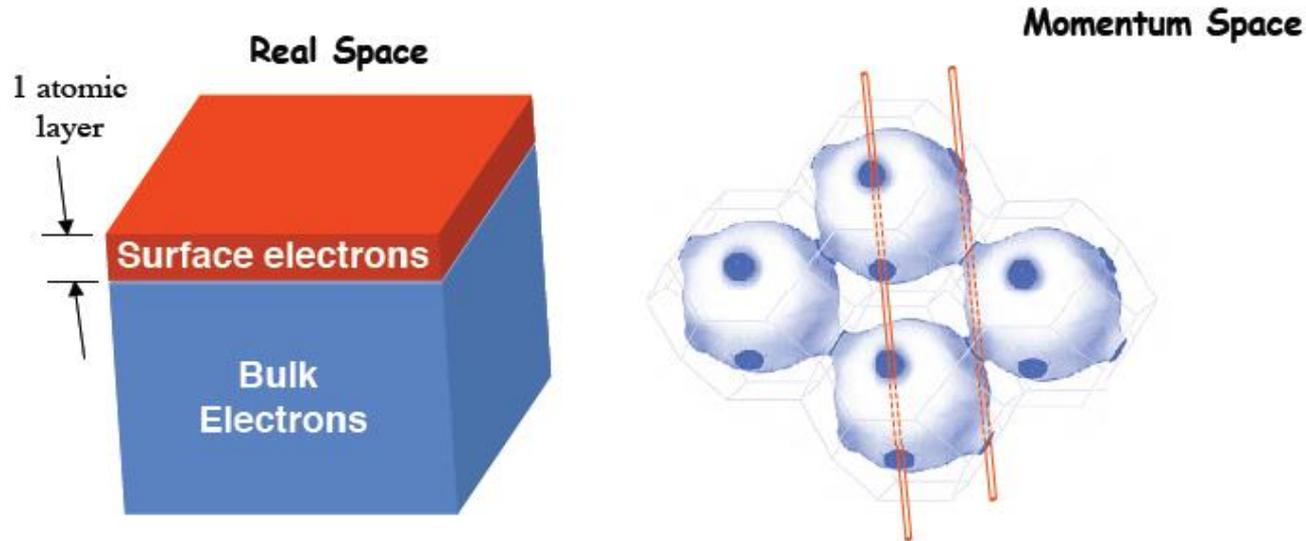


Base pressure : 1×10^{-10} Torr
In-situ cleaved Bi_2Se_3 single crystal

Park et al., PRB (2010)

Using ARPES to study the electronic structure of 2D materials

Surface state

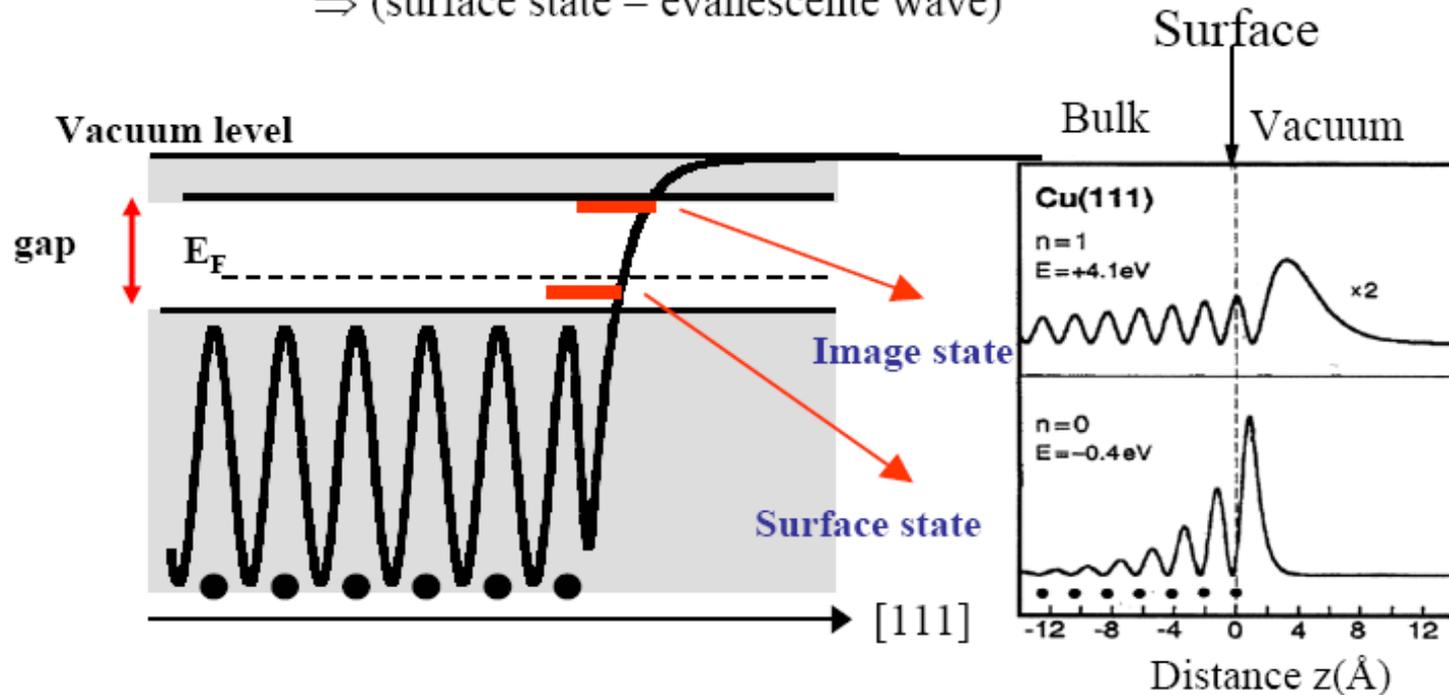


Surface states are highly localized in real space, therefore completely delocalized in k -space along k_z .
– NO DISPERSION OF SURFACE STATES in k_z direction

- Surface = Breakdown of the translational symmetry

⇒ Peculiar solution in the gap with a complex wave vector $k_{[111]}$

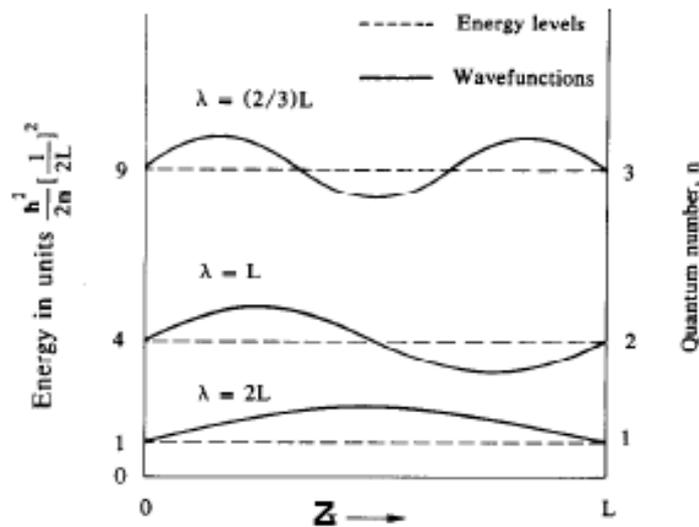
⇒ (surface state = evanescent wave)



→ localisation of the electronic density at the surface

Surf. State is very sensitive to any structural modification

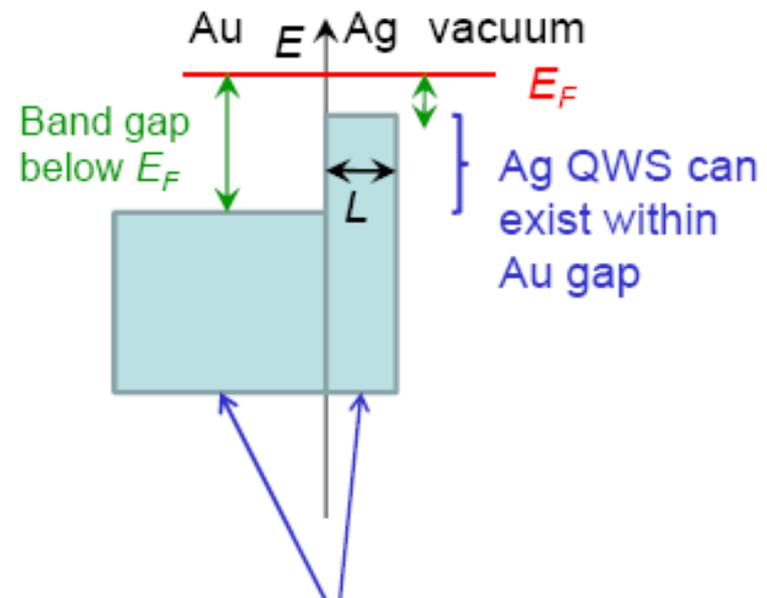
Quantum well states



Quantized discretely along z -direction
Energy levels depend on film thickness L

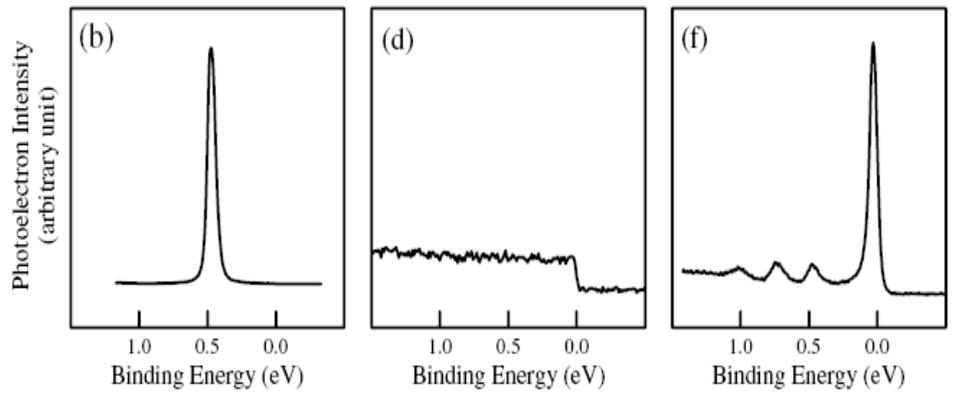
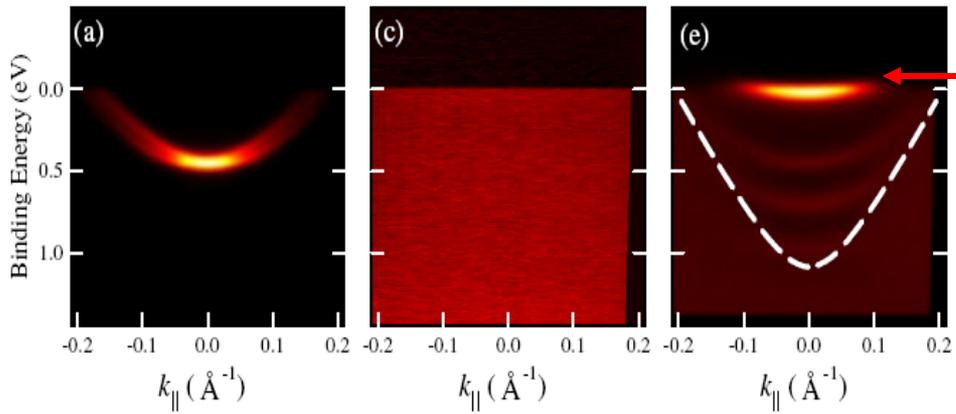
Nearly free electron like in xy -plane

Ag(111) thin films epitaxially grown on Au(111) substrate



Bulk projected bands along ΓL of Au and Ag, respectively

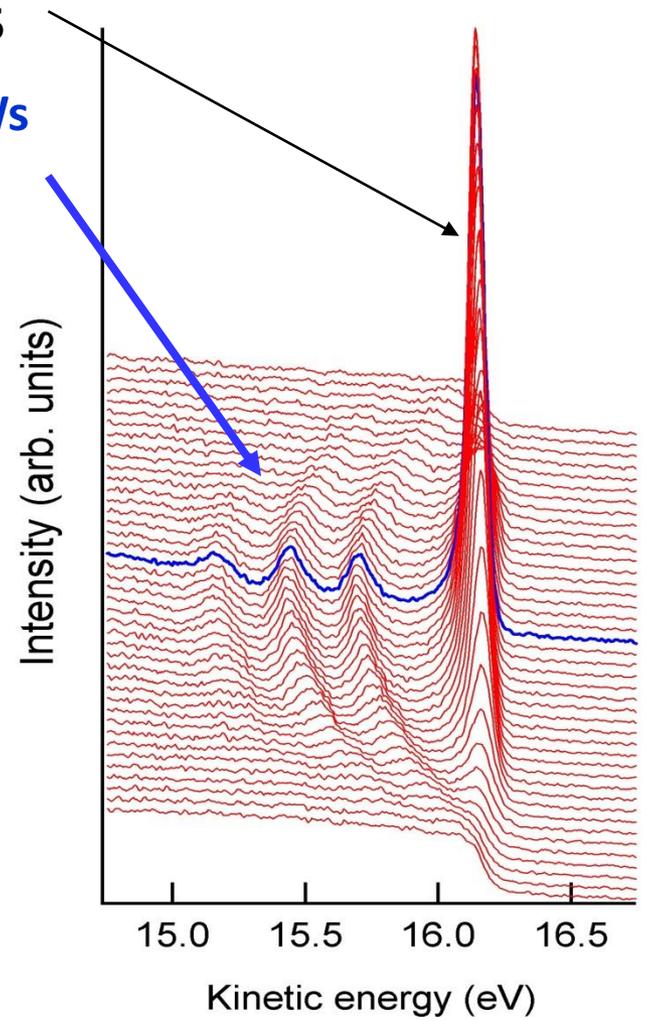
Absolute coverage of thin films : Ag/Au(111) system



Clean Au(111) LT deposited Ag/Au(111) Anneal to near RT

$k_{||} = 0$ normal emission
EDCs

Ag S.S
Ag QWs



Dynamically monitor the thin film growth mechanism

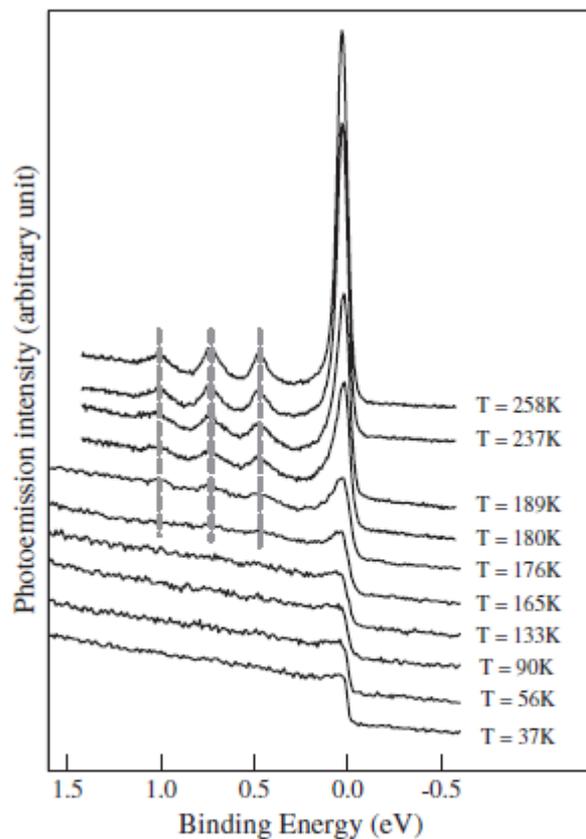
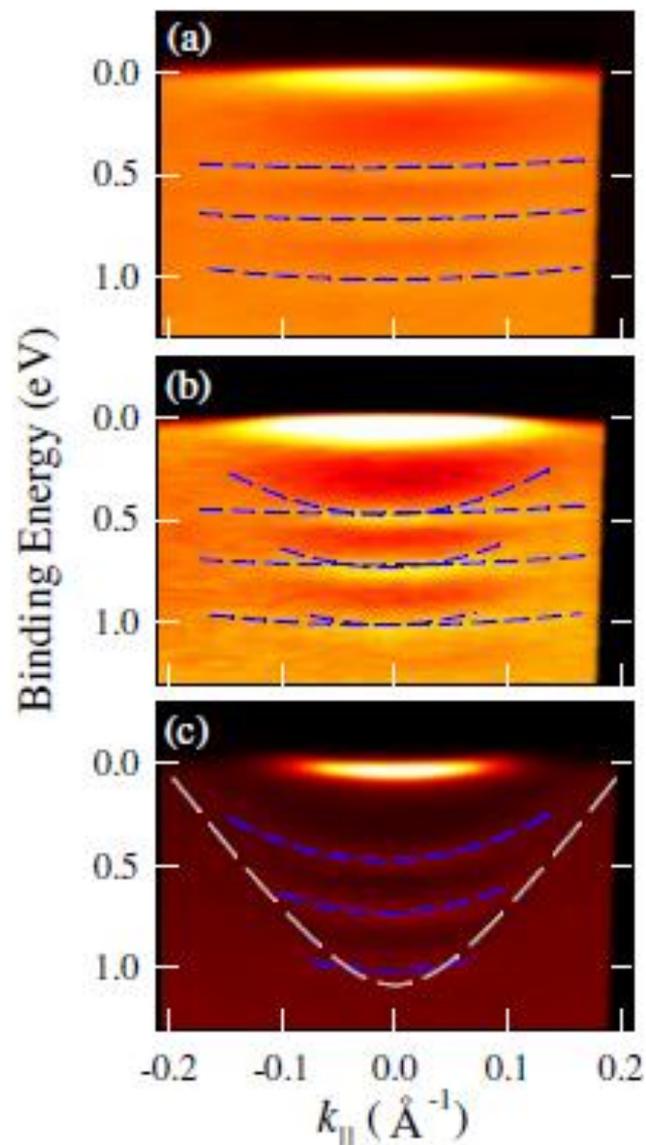
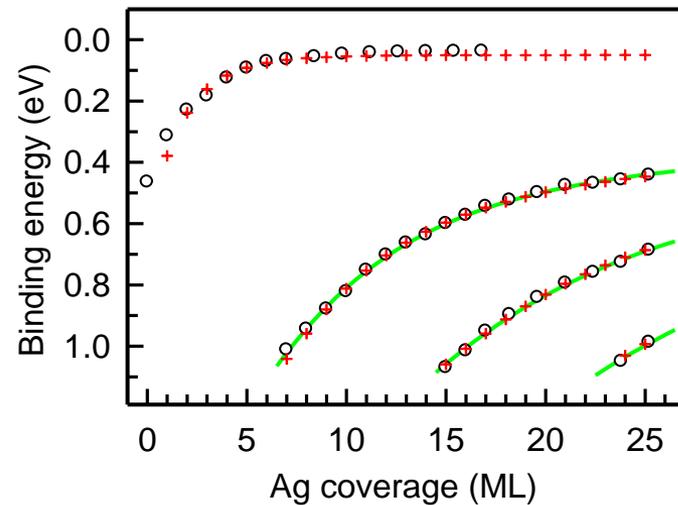
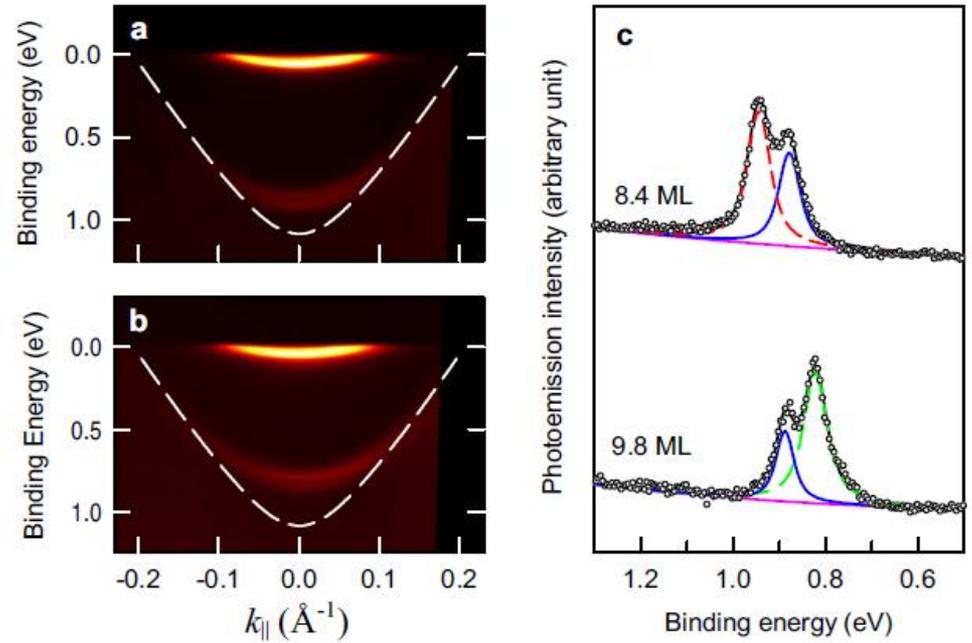
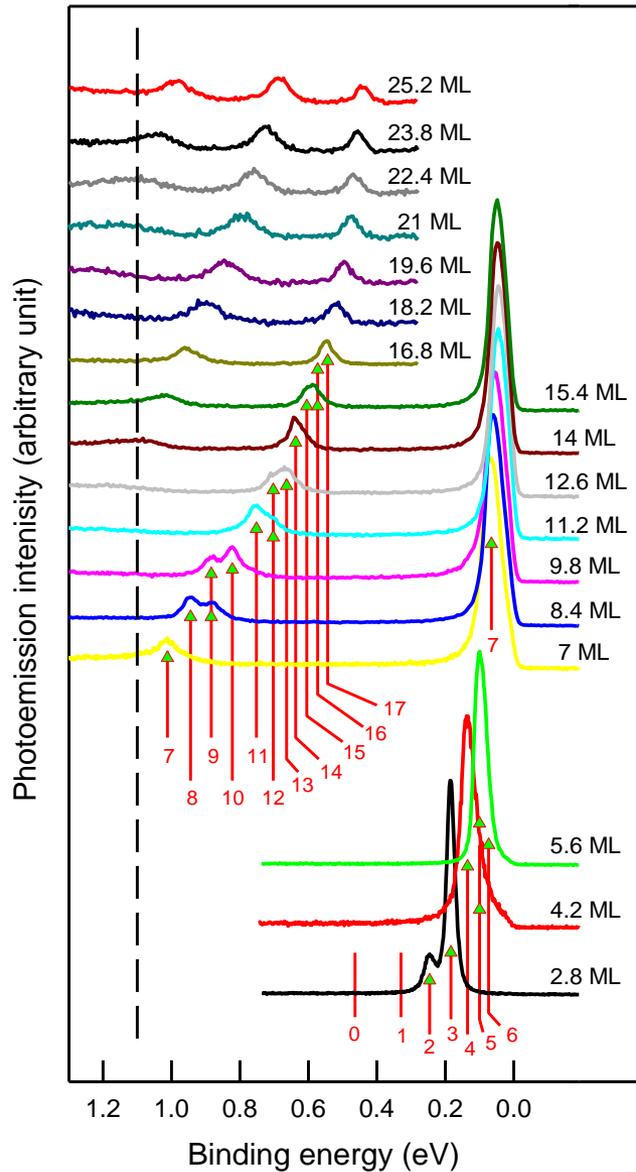


FIG. 2 Energy distribution curves of normal emission from Ag (22 ML) on Au(111) annealed at the indicated temperatures; intensities have been scaled variously for stacking presentation.



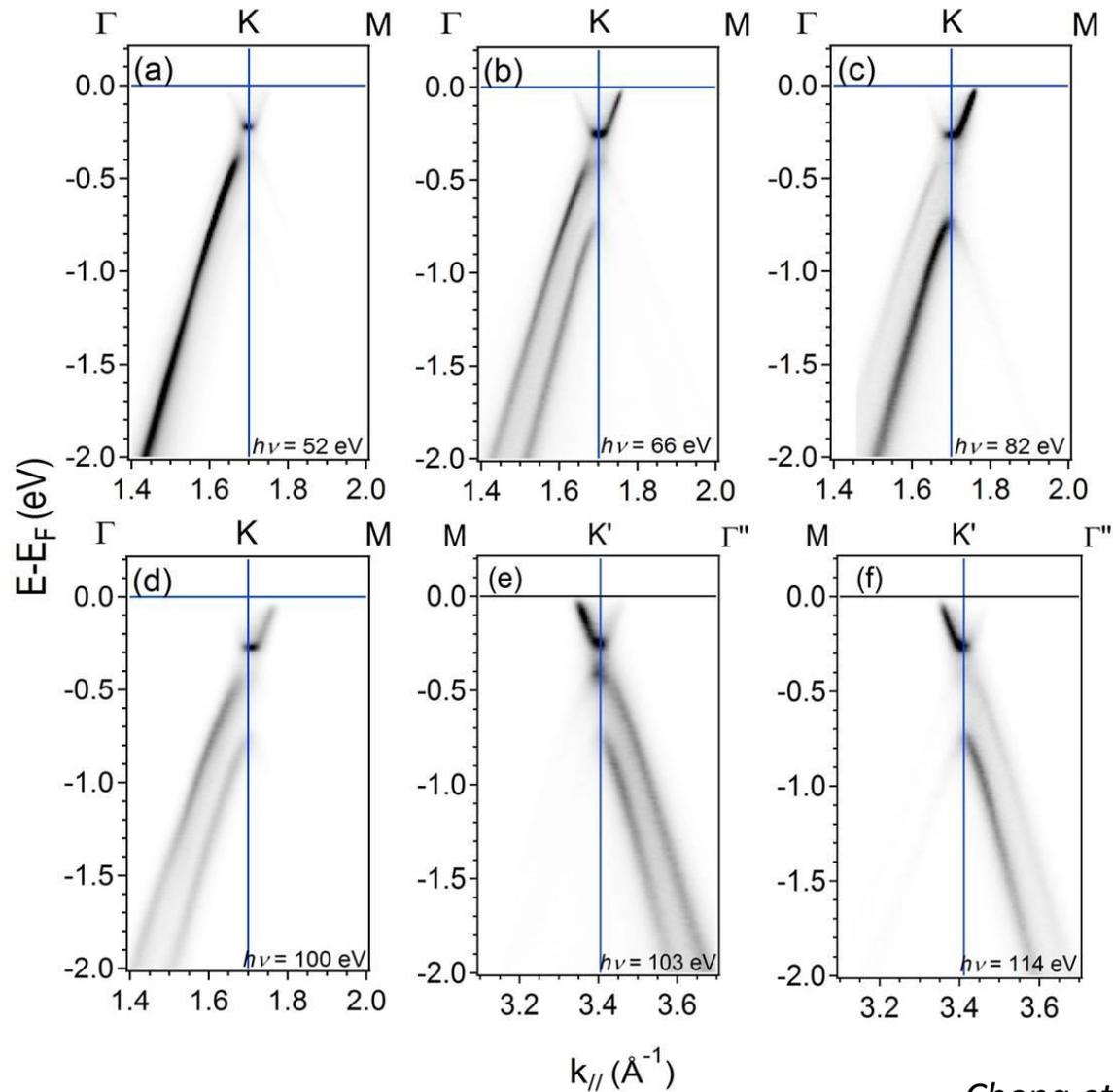


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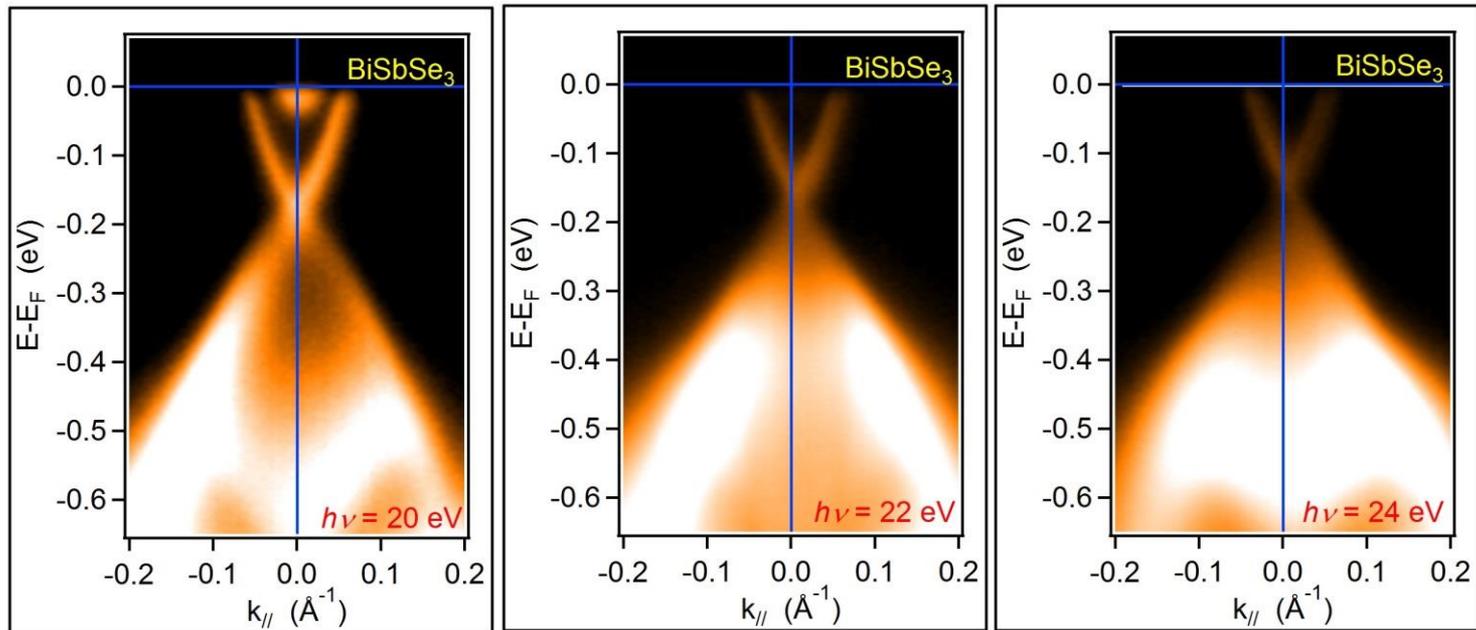
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The examination of 2D behavior



The examination of 2D behavior : tuning incident photon energy



2D materials – An Overview

The most well-known 2D material : Graphene

- ✓ First 2D materials studied in detail.
- ✓ Became famous by the works of Novoselov & Geim since 2004.
- ✓ High mobilities ($> 100,000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$ at RT) raised expectations in future electronic devices.
- ✓ Significant attention for 2D materials beyond graphene

The strictly two-dimensional material

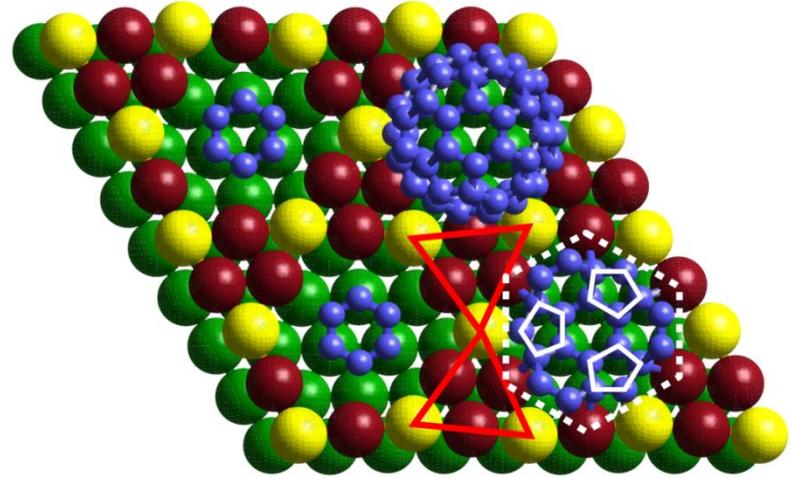
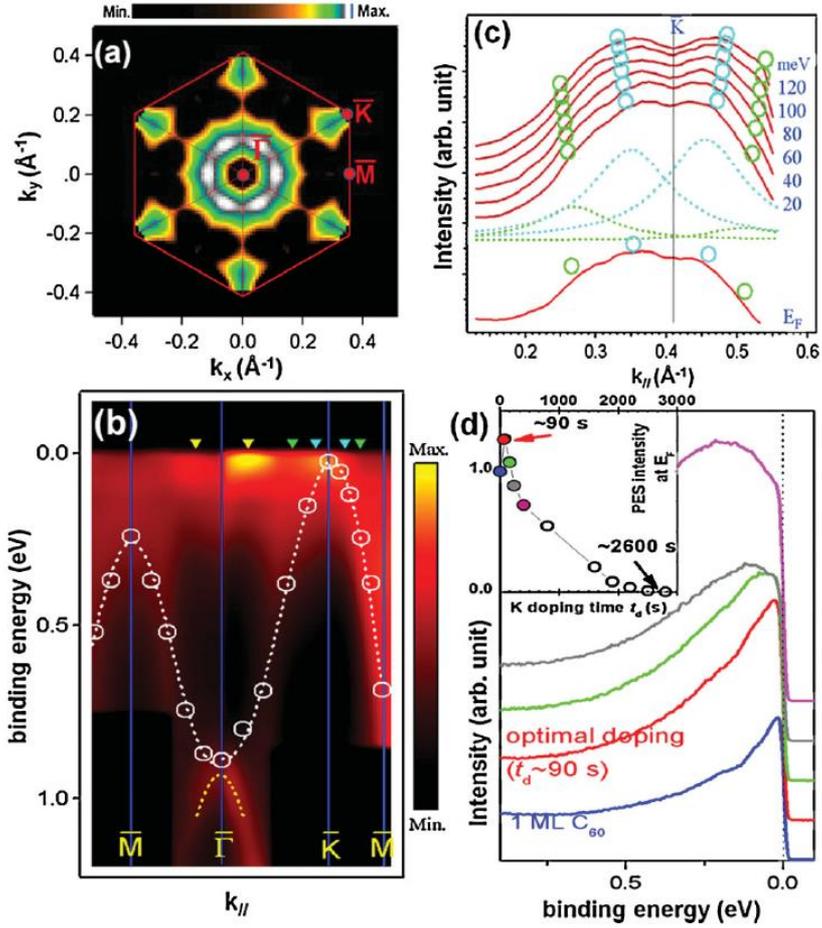
- 70 years ago, Landau argued that strictly 2D crystals were thermodynamically unstable and could not exist
- Before 2004, atomic monolayers only as integral part of 3D structure, grown epitaxially on top of monocrystal
- The discovery of graphene and other free-standing 2D atomic crystals (ex :single layer boron nitride and half-layer BSCCO)

New inroads into low-dimensional physics

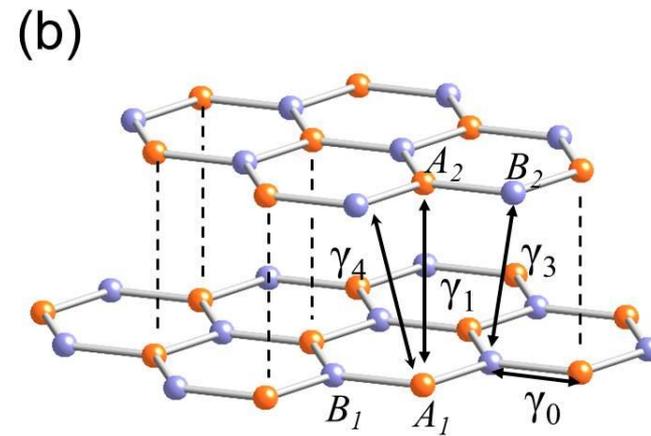
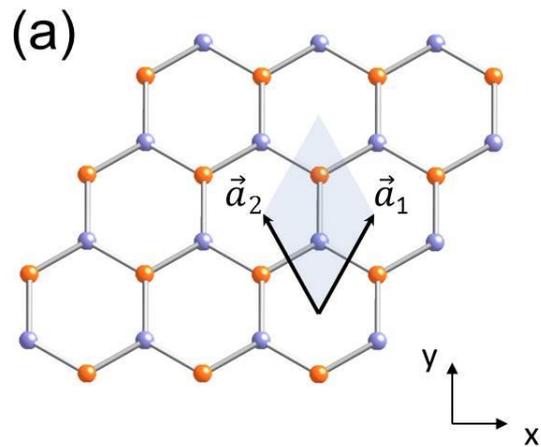
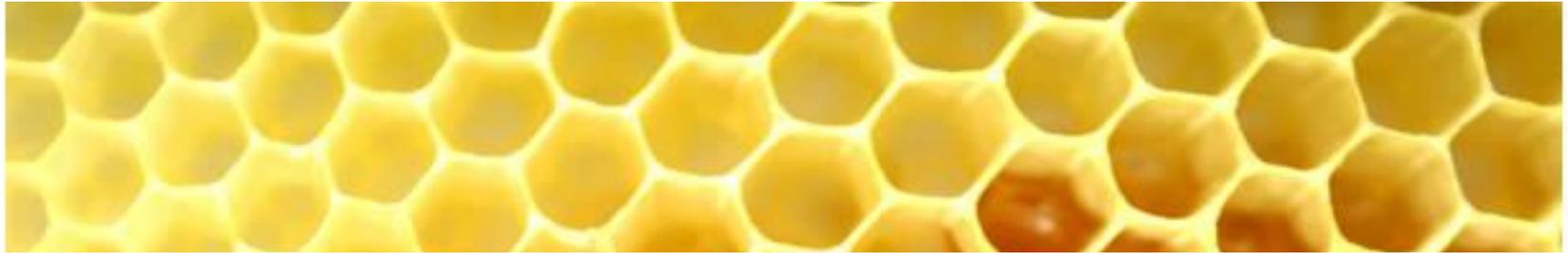
New surprise to provide highly potential for application

Charge transfer process on ML $C_{60}/Cu(111)$ system

1. Large 7-atom vacancies.
2. Significant top Cu layer coherent distortion.
3. Nearly “optimal” C_{60}^{3-} doping purely by interface reconstruction.

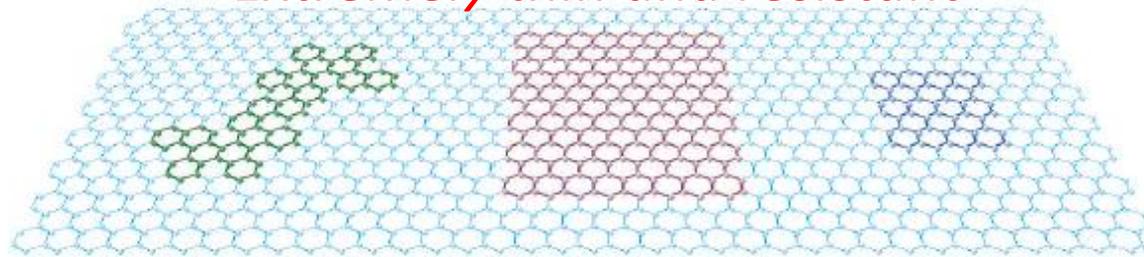


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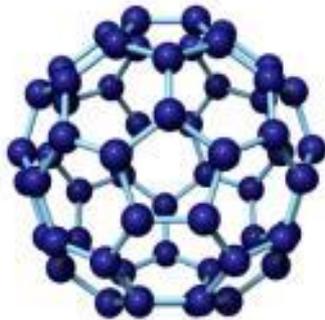


What is graphene

Very good conductors
Extremely thin and resistant



wrapped



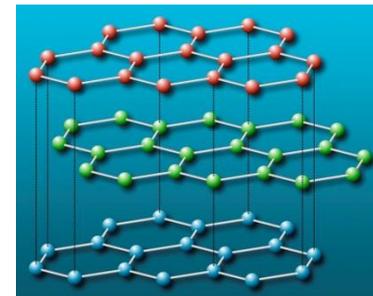
*Zero dimensional:
fullerenes*

Rolled



*One dimensional:
carbon nanotubes*

stacked

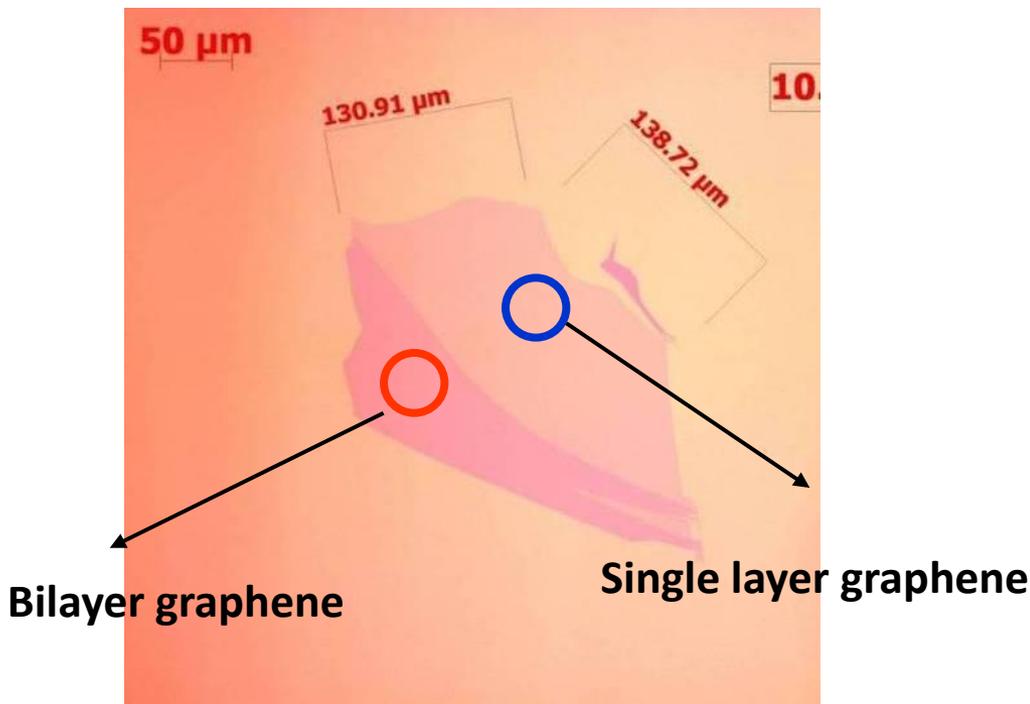


*Three dimensional:
graphite*

How to distinguish the thickness of graphene

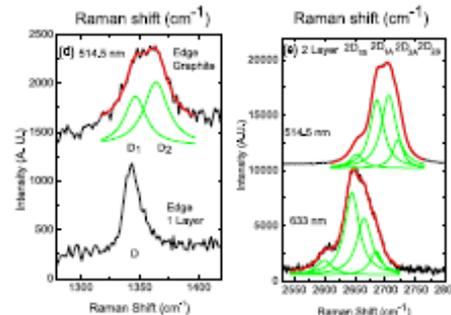
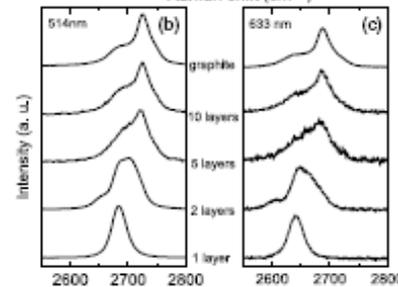
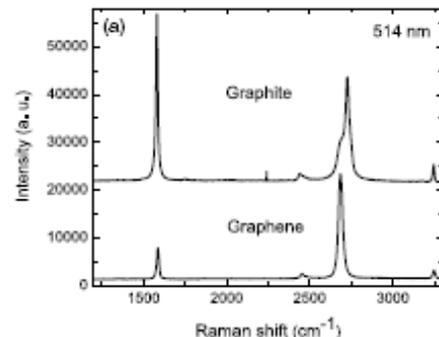
SiO₂(200 nm)/Si

Optical microscopy



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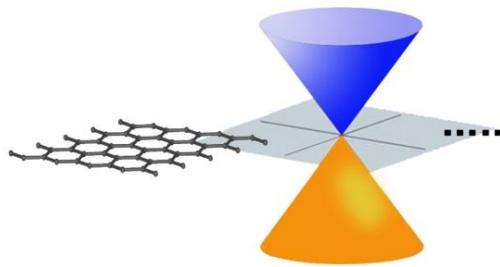
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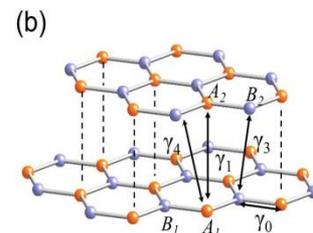
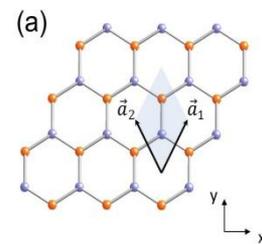
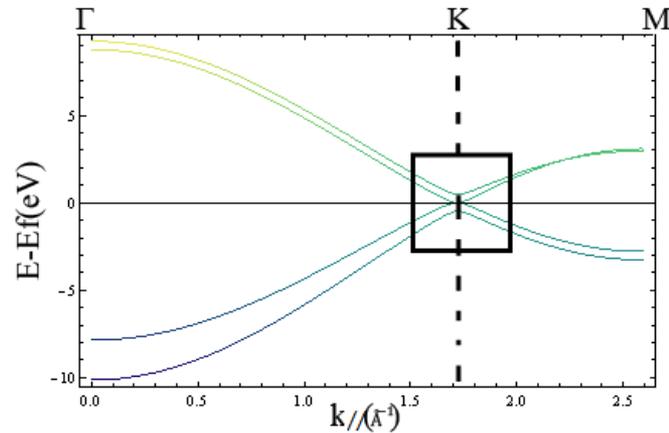
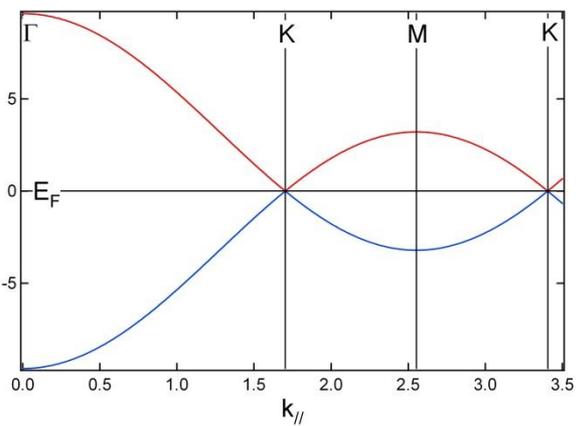
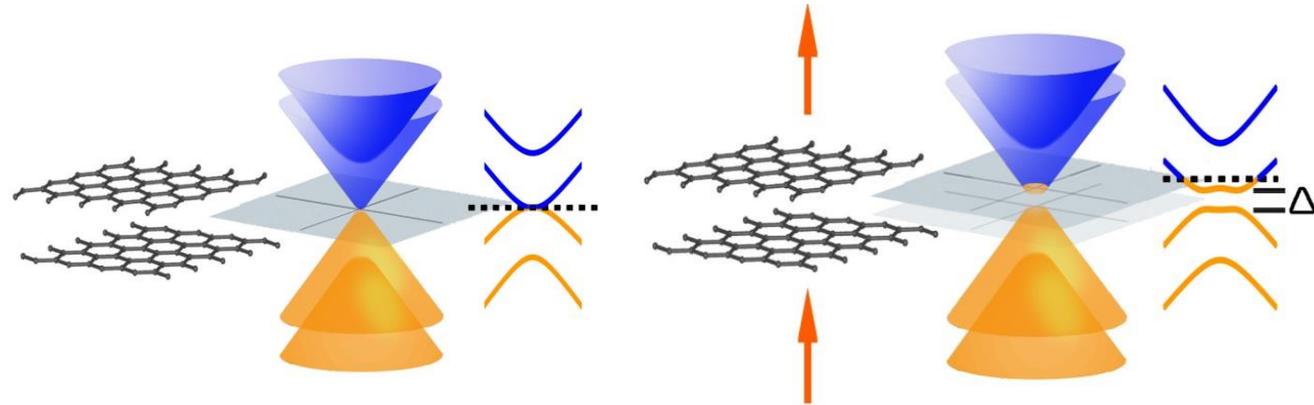
A. Ferrari , PRL 97,187401 (2006)

Single layer and bilayer graphene

Single layer graphene



Bilayer graphene





High speed Transistor
RFIC, Sensor



Conductive ink
EMI screen ink



Semiconductor

Ink & paste

Flexible Display
Touch Panel



TCO

Chemical sensors



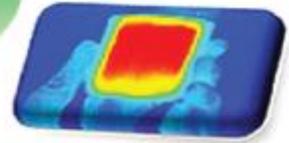
Barrier

Solar cell, Battery
Supercapacitor



Energy

LED lighting



Heat spreader

Composites



Automobile
Air plane components

Metrological applications

Linear Spectrum

One Atom Thin

Transistors

**Membranes/
Gas Barrier**

High Mobility

Strength

Photovoltaics

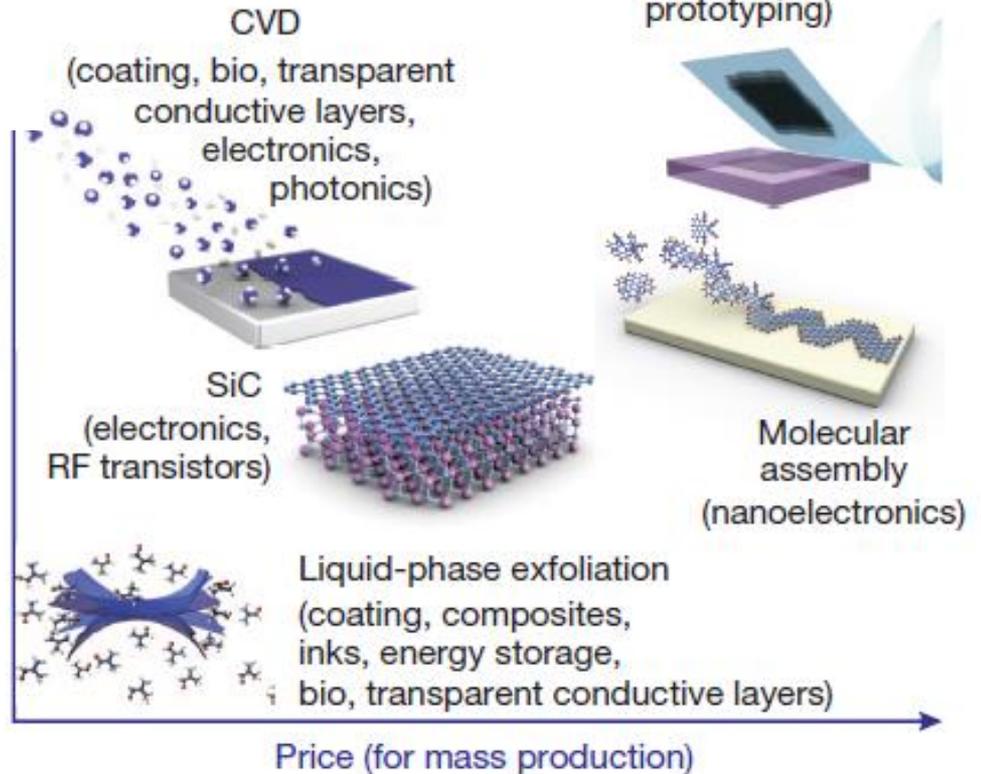
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Unique Optical
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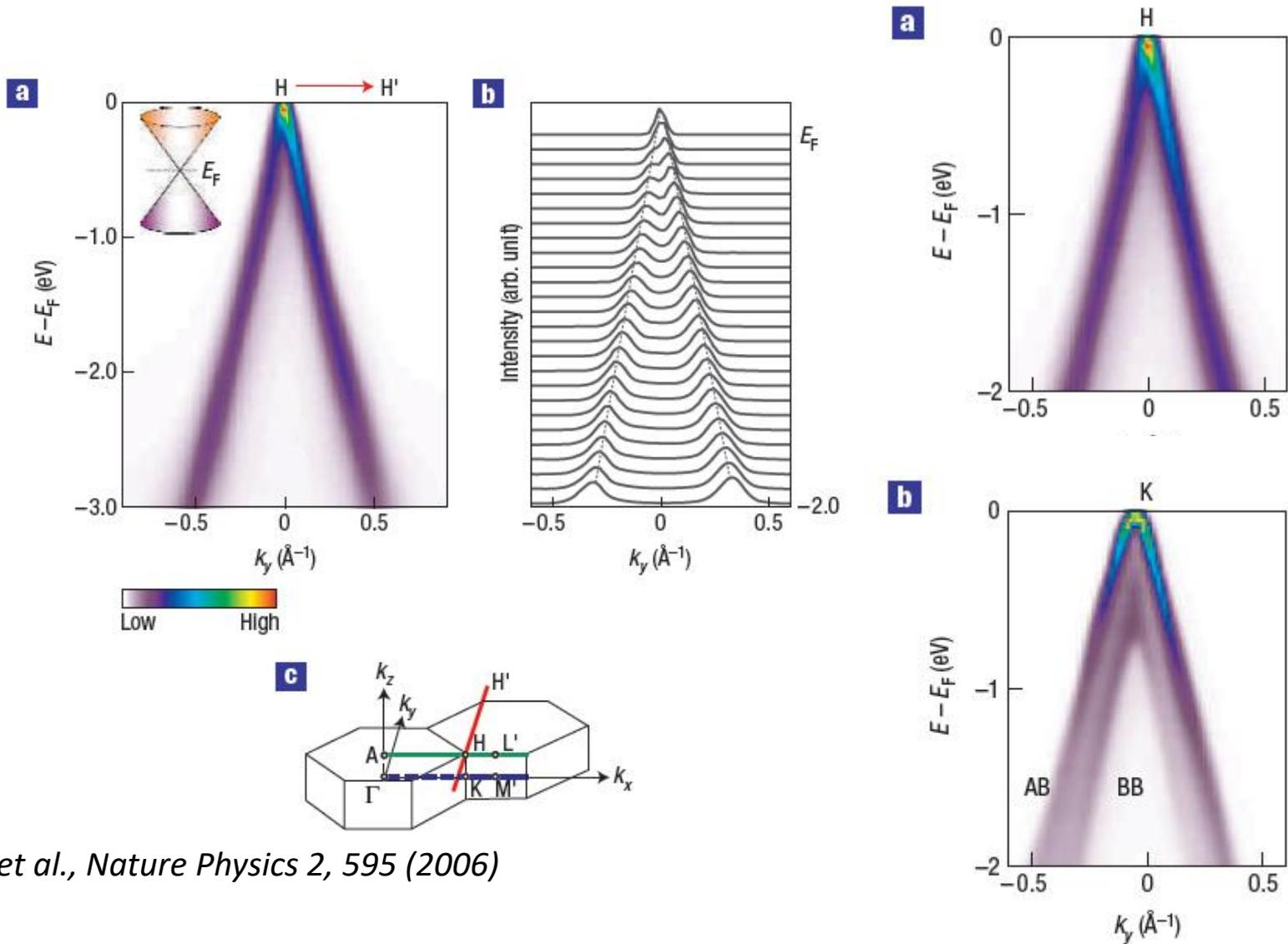
**Transparent
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Highly
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Quality



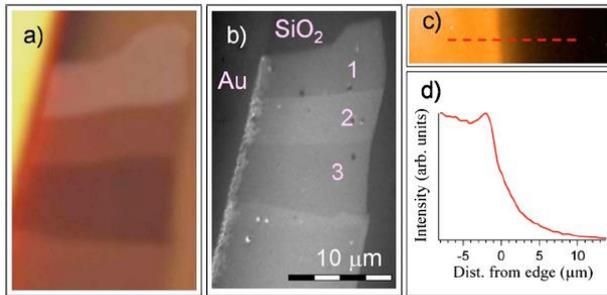
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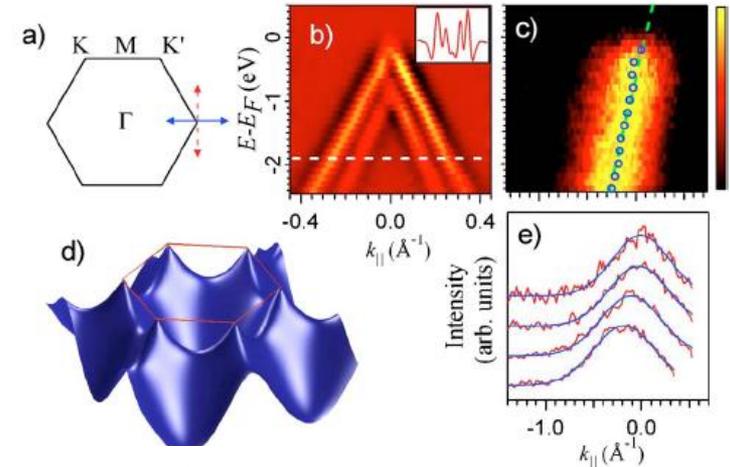
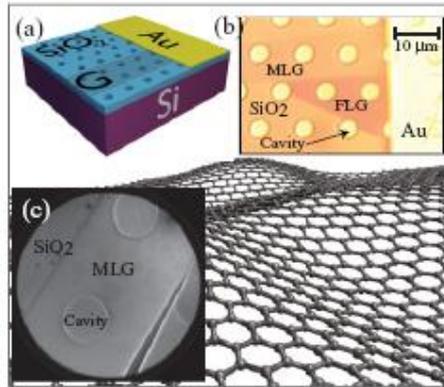
Zhou et al., *Nature Physics* 2, 595 (2006)

The experiments in graphene on SiO₂ (200nm) and suspended graphene

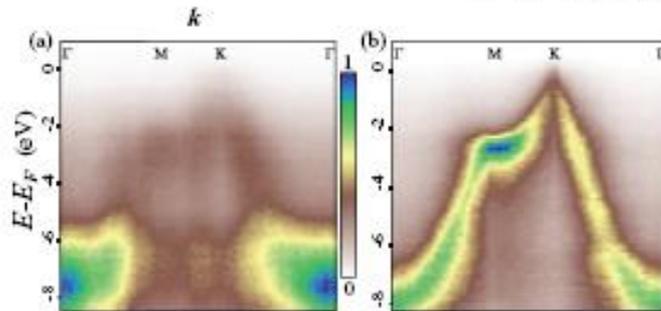
Graphene on SiO₂



Suspended graphene

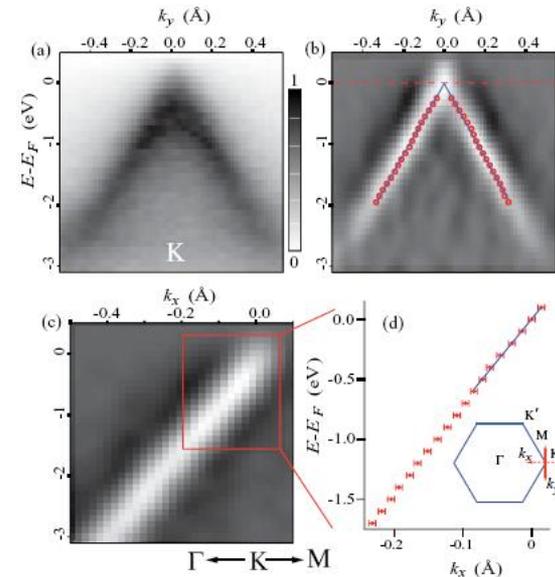
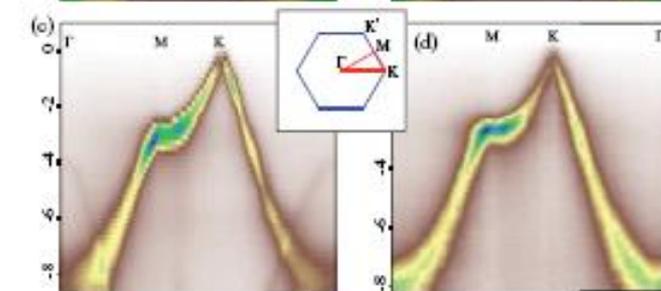


SLG/SiO₂



Suspended graphene

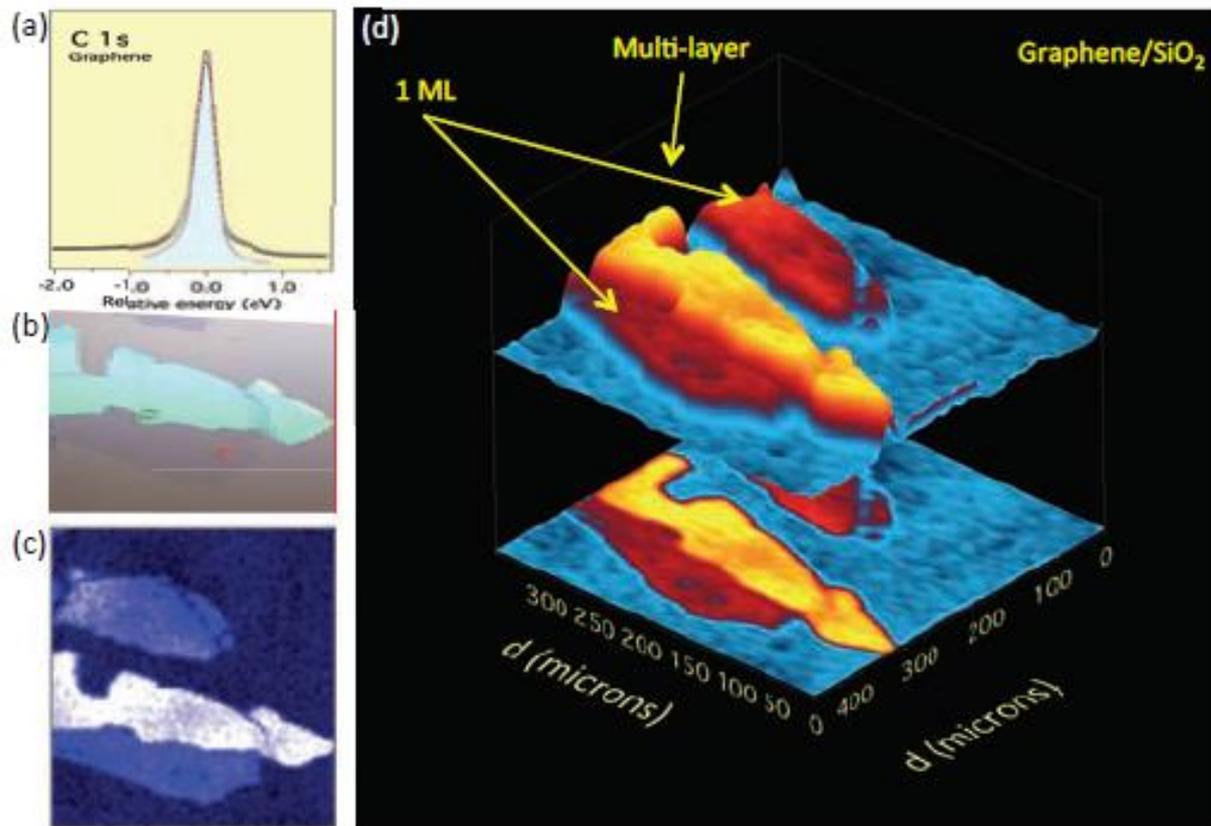
graphite



Knox et al., PRB 78, R201408 (2008)
PRB 84, 115401 (2011)

Multi-thickness domains in an exfoliated graphene

Nano-XPS results on exfoliated graphene samples on SiO₂ substrates at the ANTARES beamline, SOLEIL



CVD for large scale graphene film

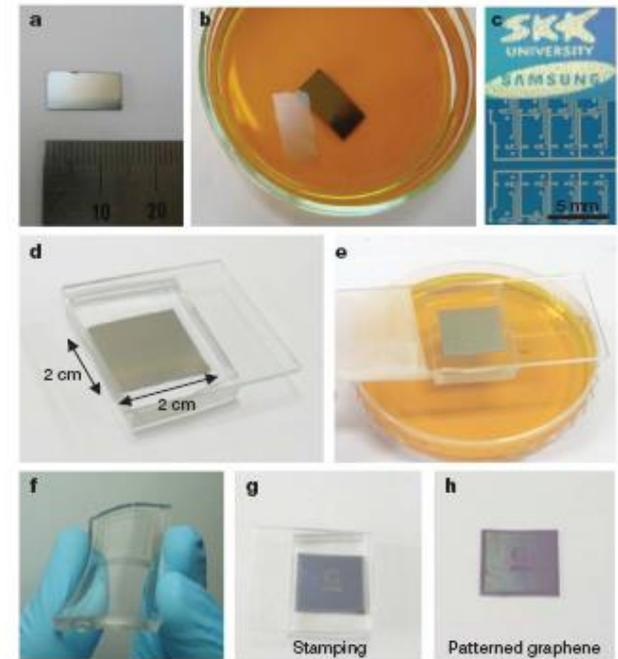
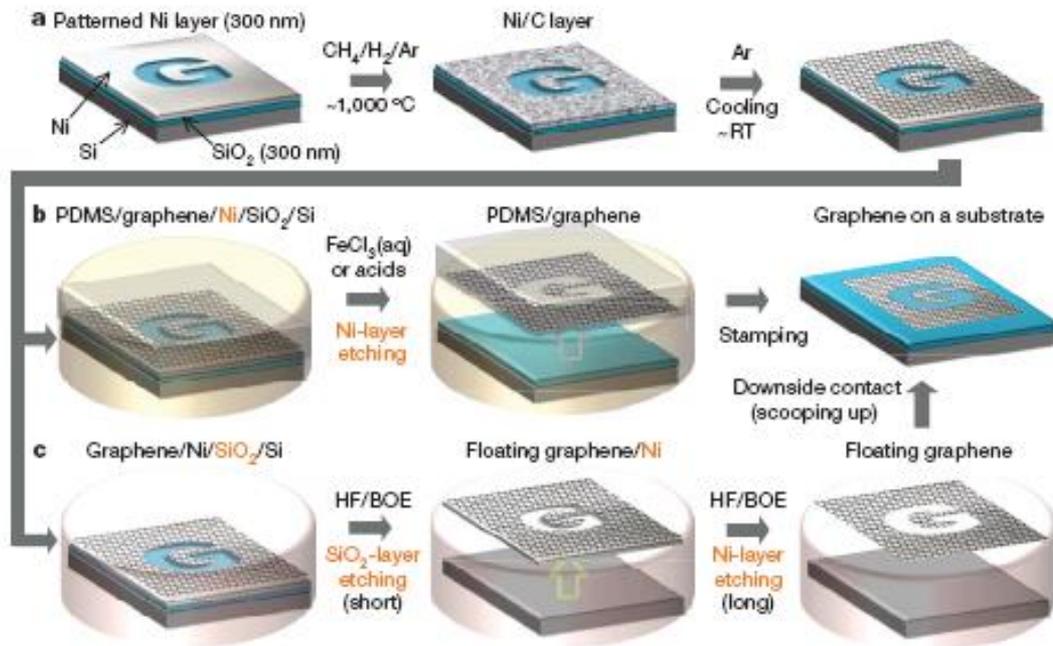
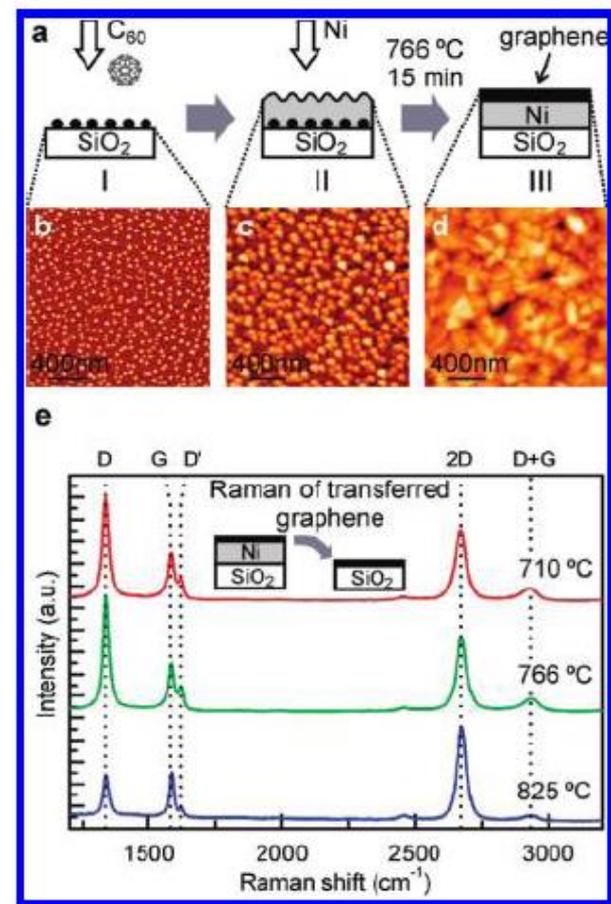
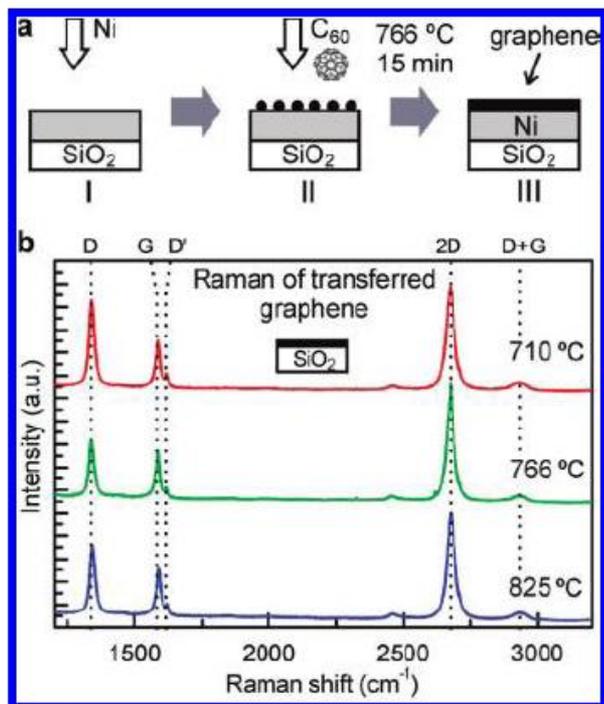
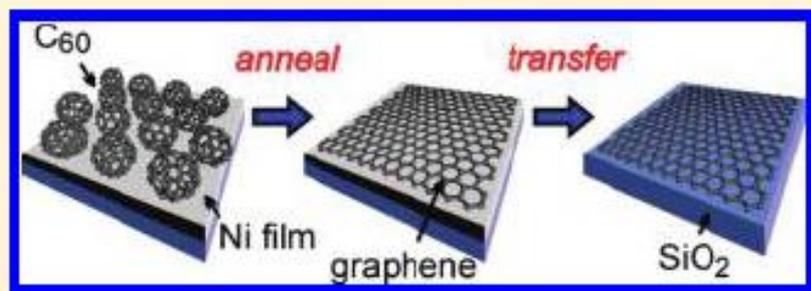
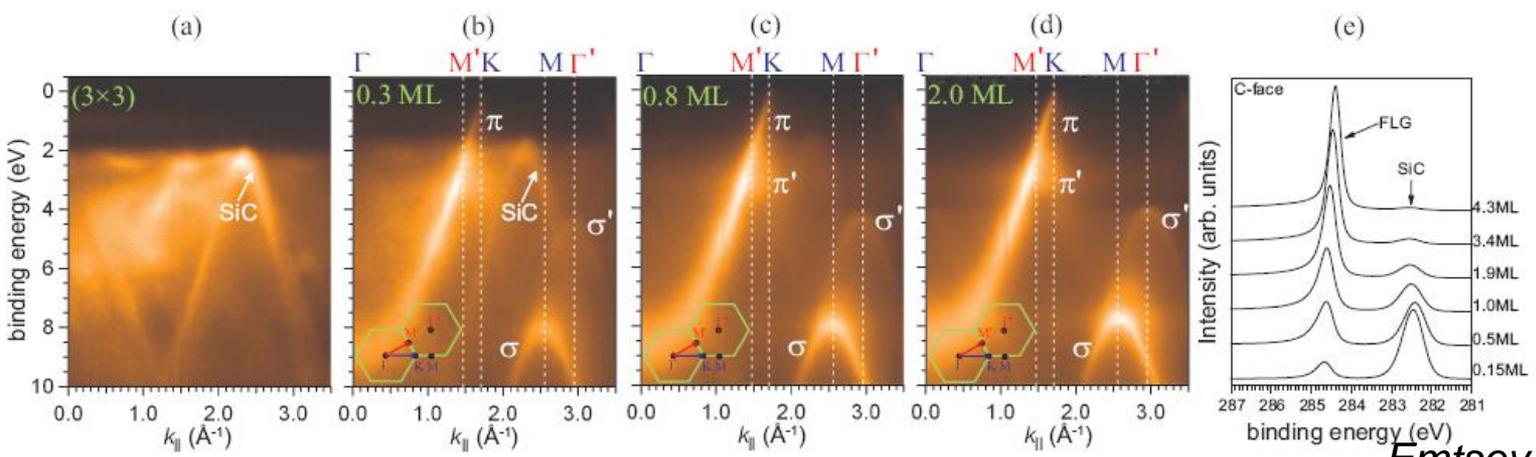
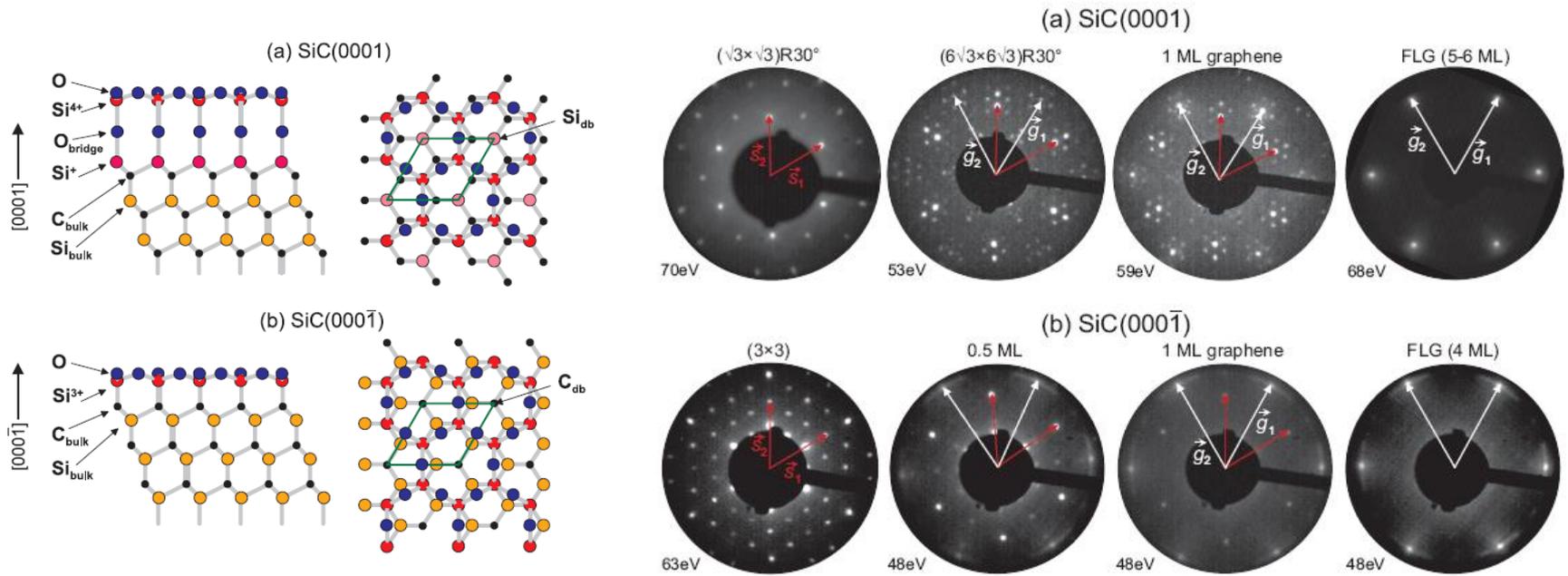


Figure 3 | Transfer processes for large-scale graphene films. a, A

Graphene formation by decomposition of C₆₀

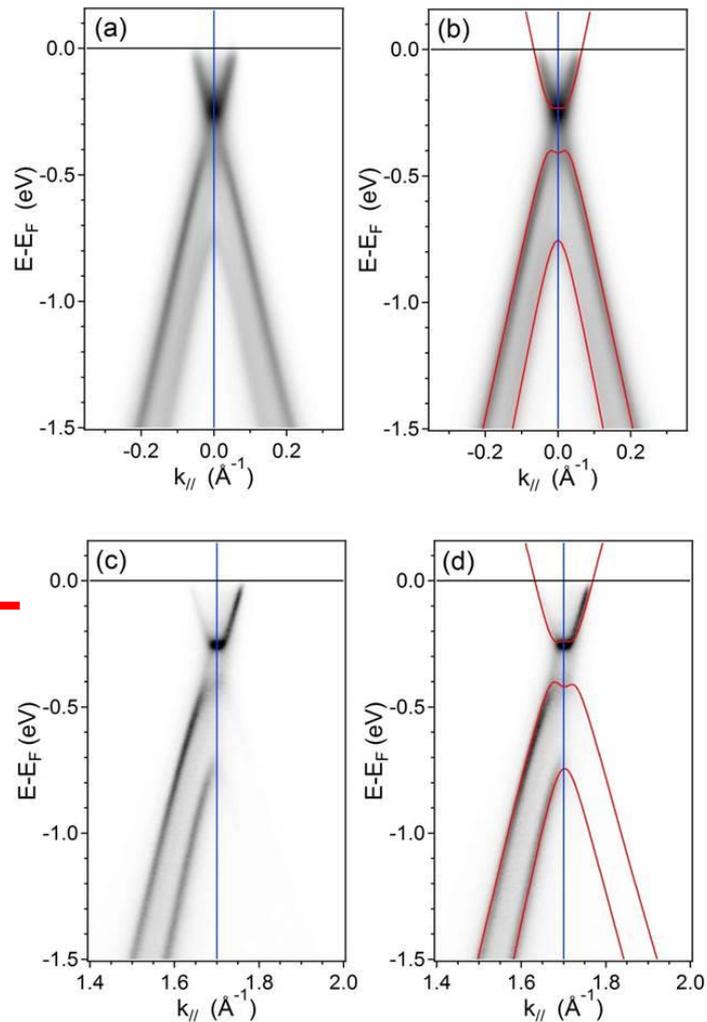


Epitaxial growth graphene on SiC

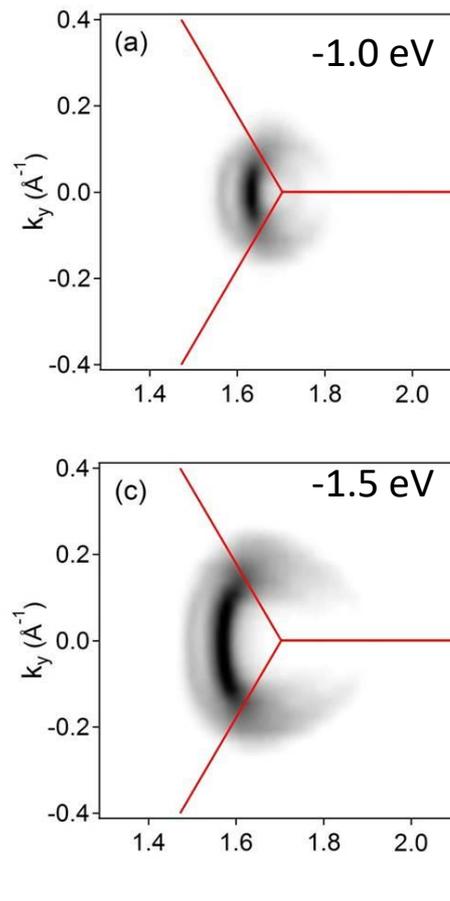


The electronic structure of bilayer graphene on SiC substrate

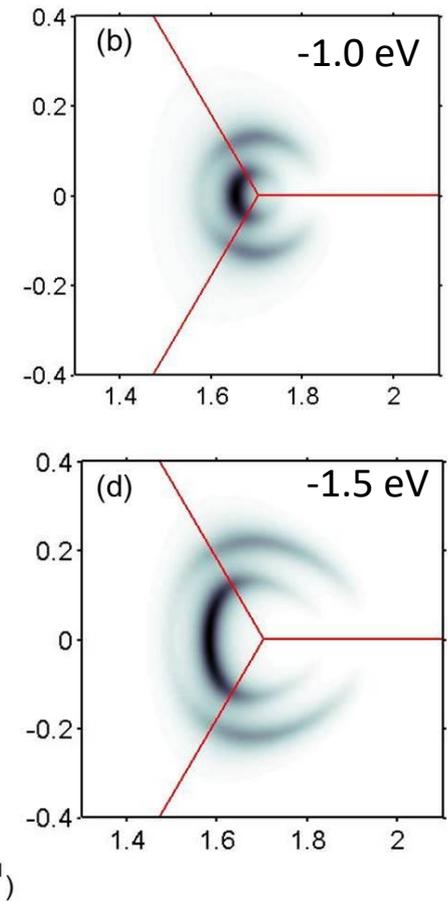
Data taken at 40 eV



Exp. at 82 eV



TB simulated



A intrinsic gap exists or not ?

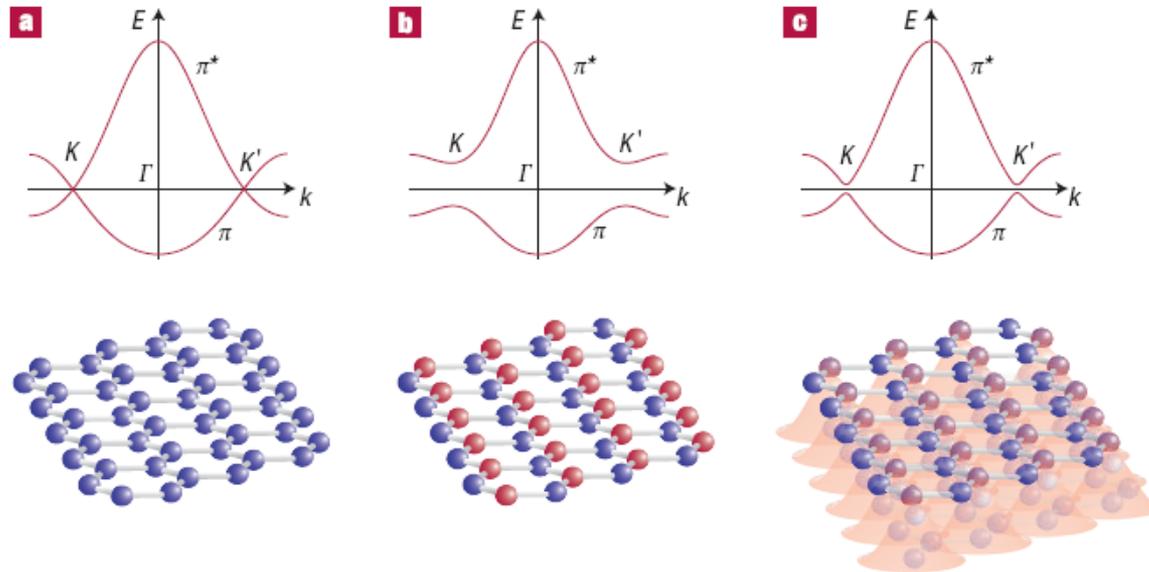


Figure 1 Schematic representation of crystal and electronic band structures (only π -bands are shown). **a**, Free-standing graphene. **b**, Boron-nitride. **c**, Epitaxial graphene. Symmetry between the sublattices in graphene guarantees gapless spectra around K points. This symmetry is broken in boron-nitride (one sublattice consists of boron atoms, another of nitrogen), which immediately opens a gap. In epitaxial graphene, the commensurate underlying potential gives rise to different on-site energies for the two sublattices, which opens a small gap around K points.