



## 1st on-line School on Synchrotron Radiation “Gilberto Vlaic”: Fundamentals, Methods and Application

# Introduction to photoelectron spectroscopy in atoms, molecules and solids

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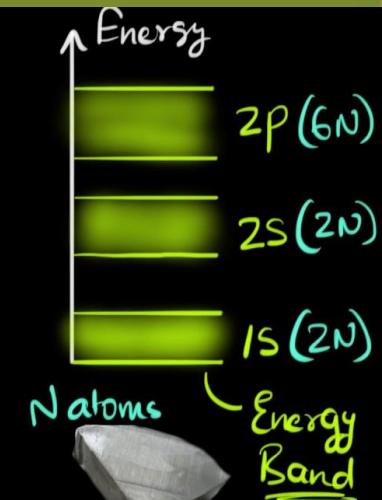
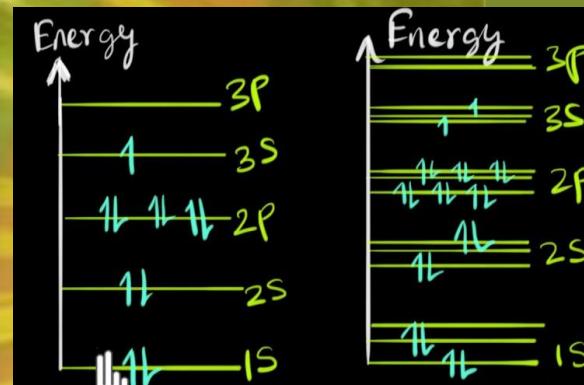
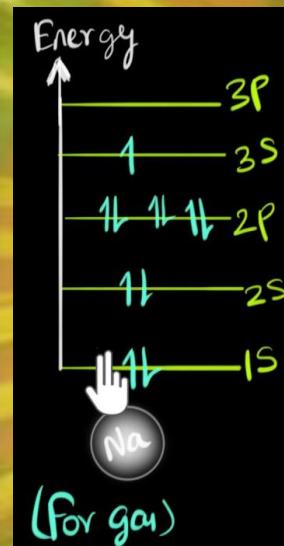
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# The spectroscopists' dream

Photoelectron emission!!  
Open binding energies Sesame!!



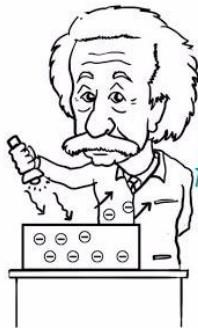
# The photoelectric effect

## Basic Concept

$h\nu$



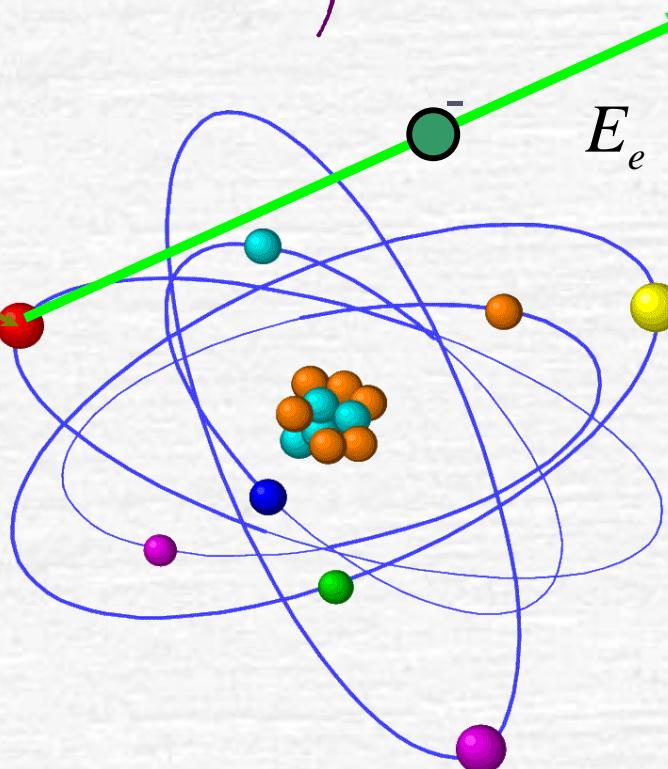
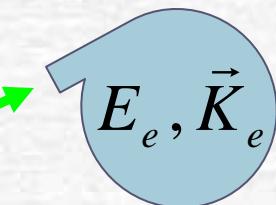
$\hat{\epsilon}$



*It's the  
PhotoElectric Effect*

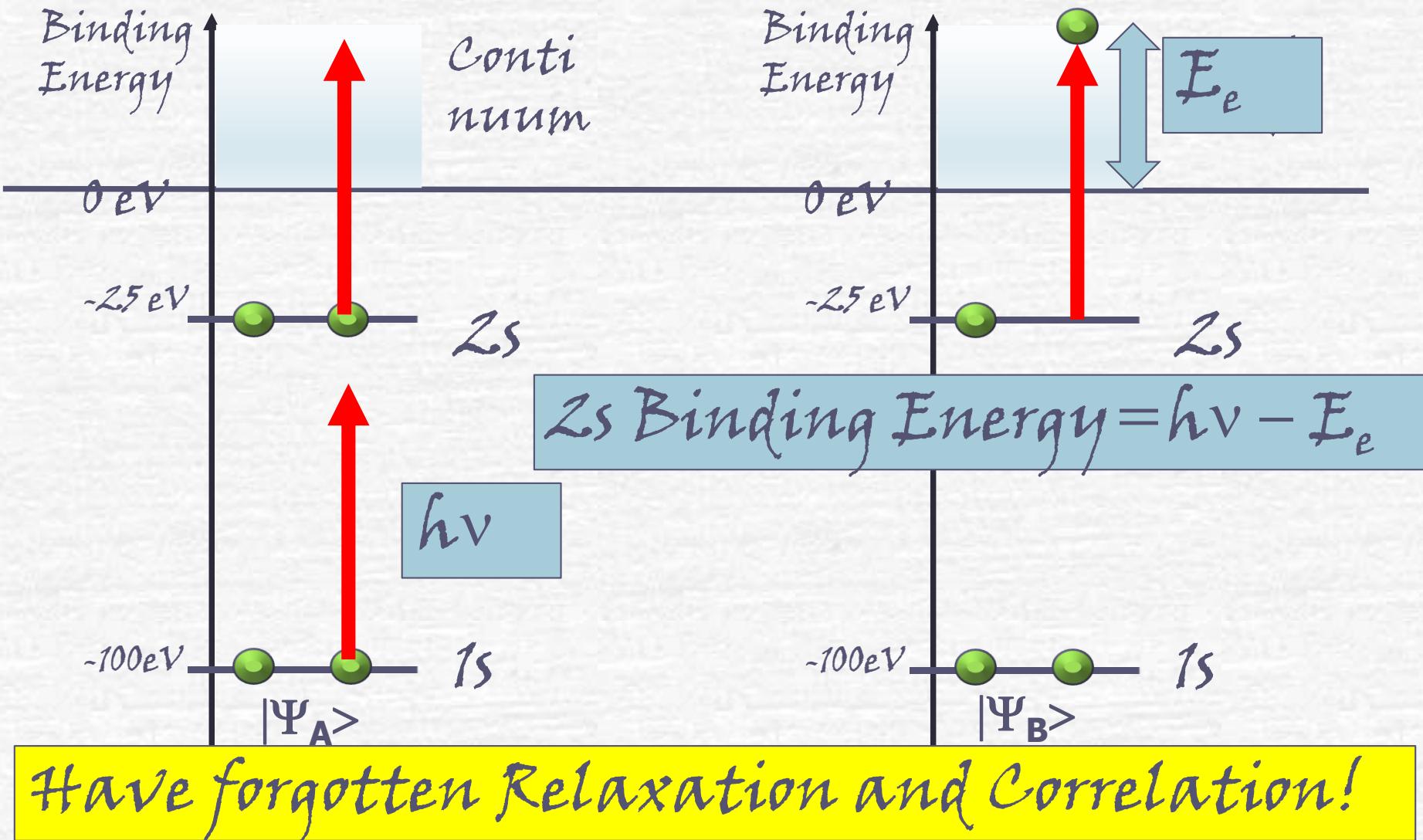
$$E_e^{MAX} = h\nu - \Phi$$

$$E_e = h\nu - \Phi - \Delta energy$$



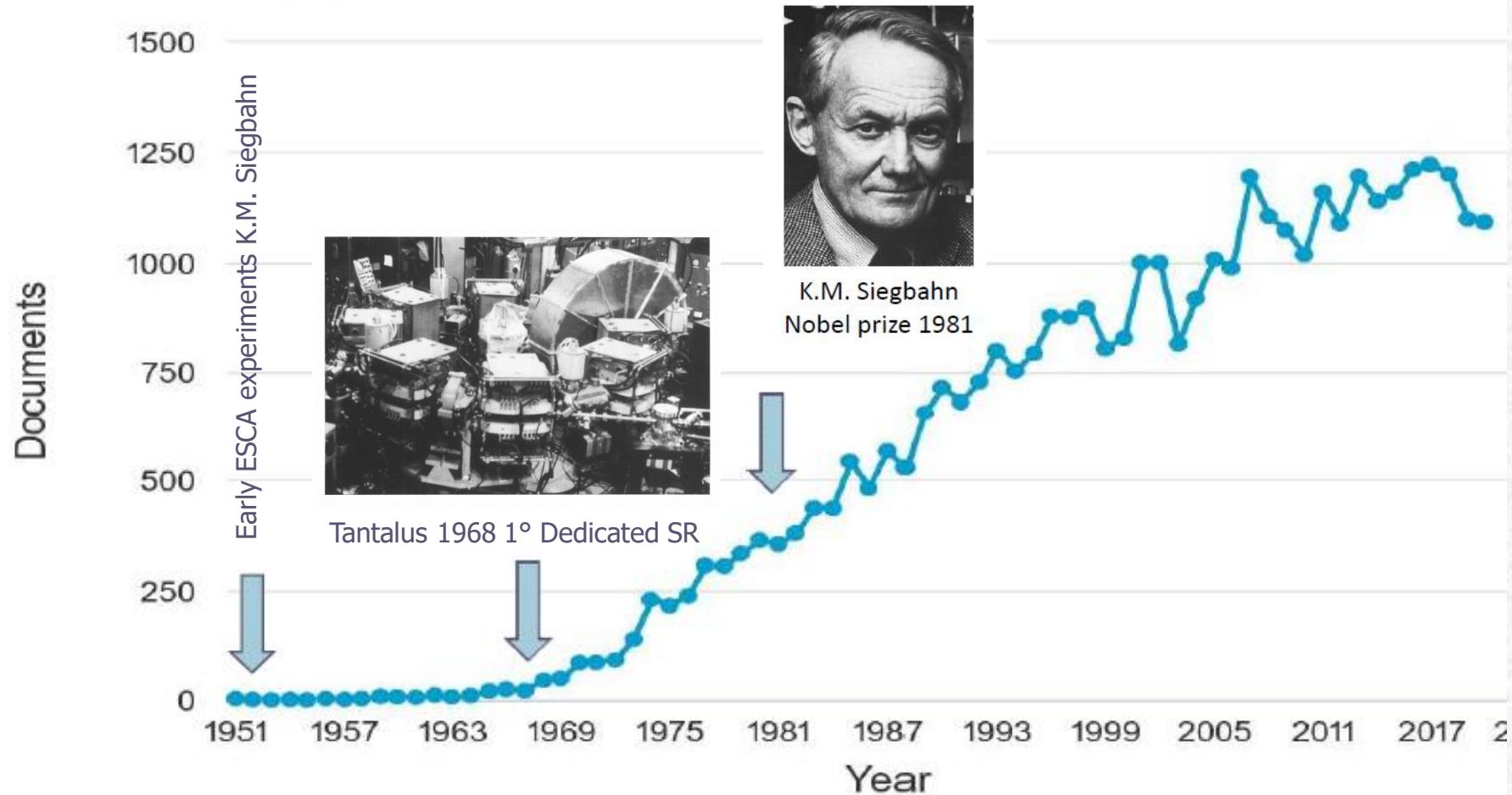
A. Einstein  
Nobel prize 1921

# Basic Concept Energy Distribution Curve EDC



# Photoelectron in abstract 37,398 from 1951 to 2020 [Scopus june 30. 2021]

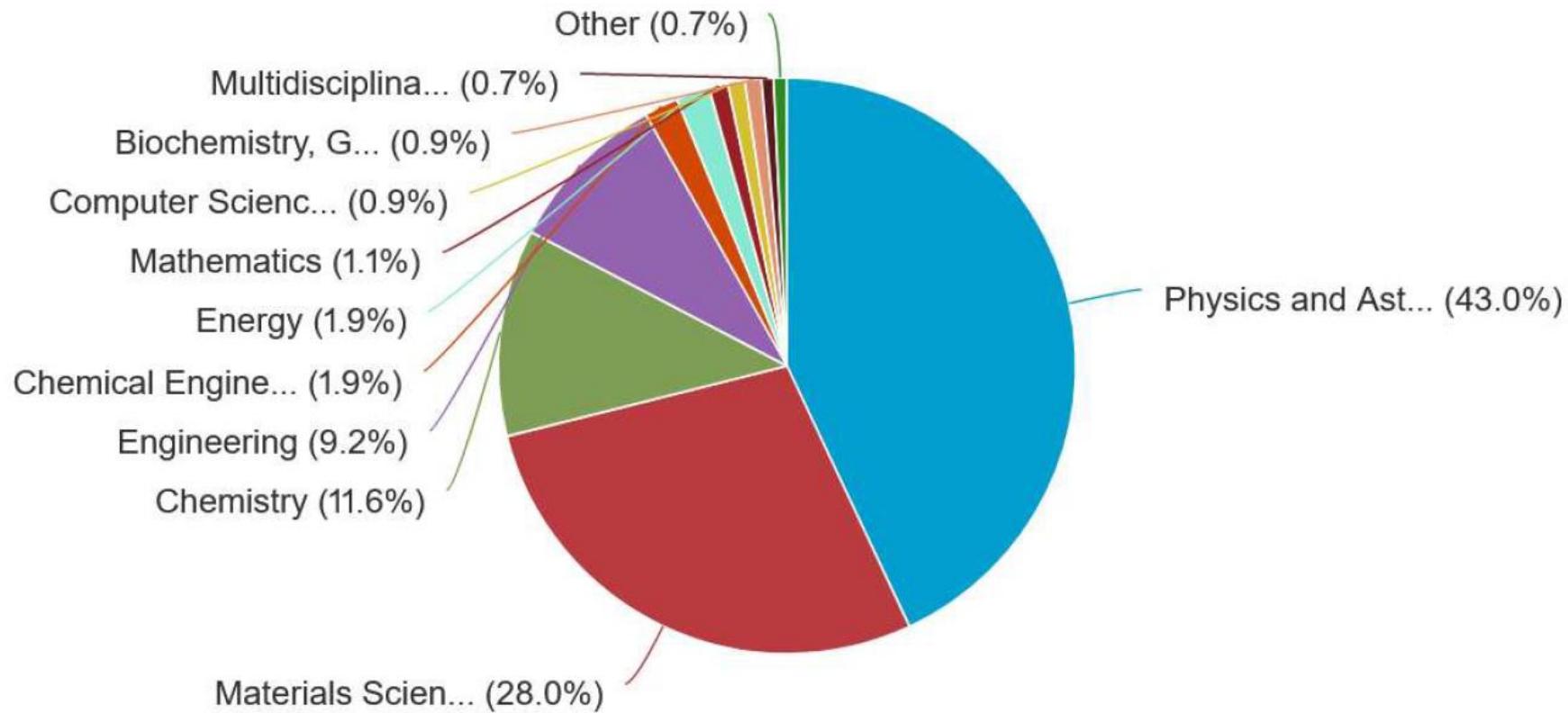
## Documents by year



# The ubiquitous photoelectron spectroscopy

Documents by subject area

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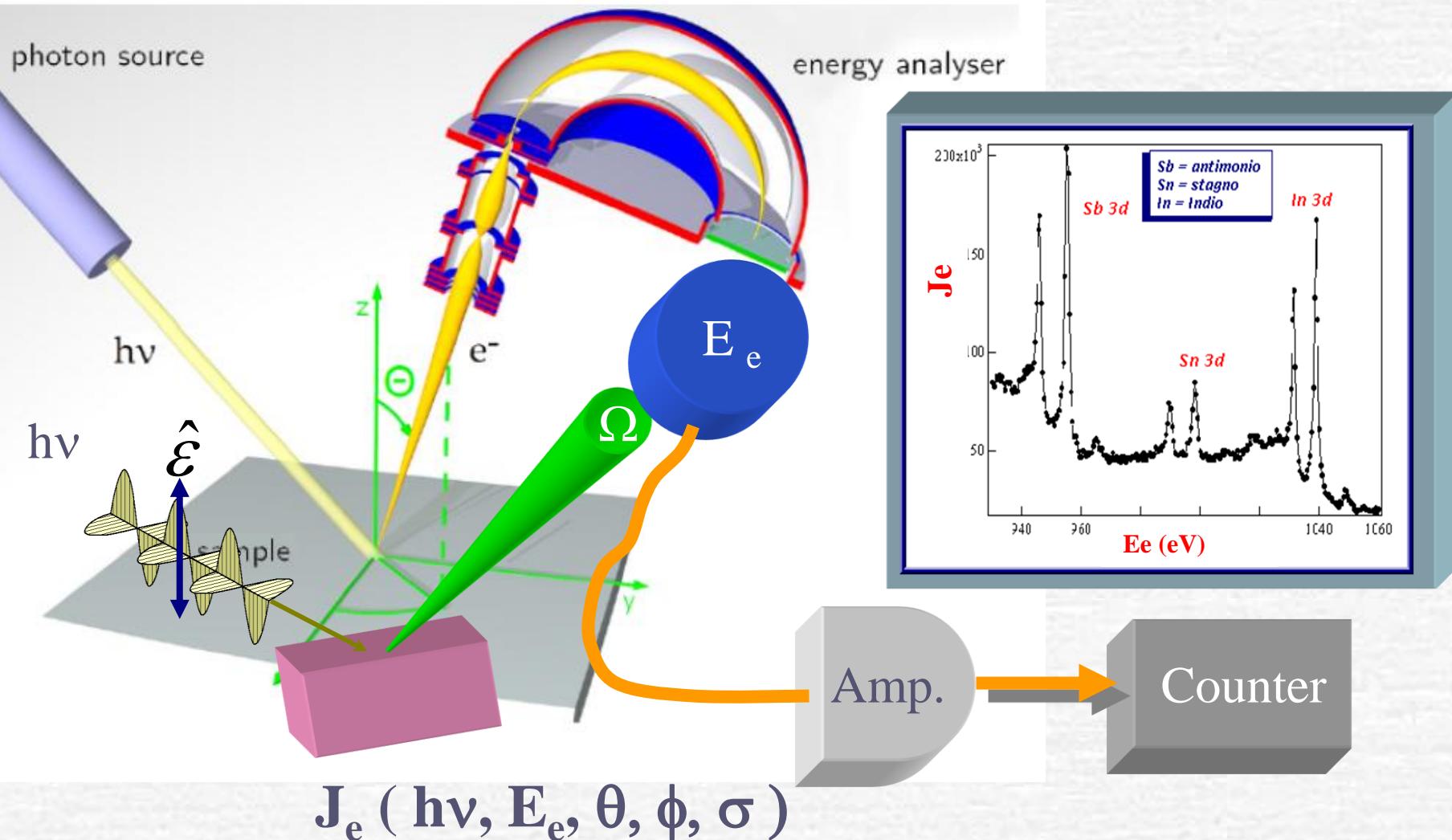


# Outline

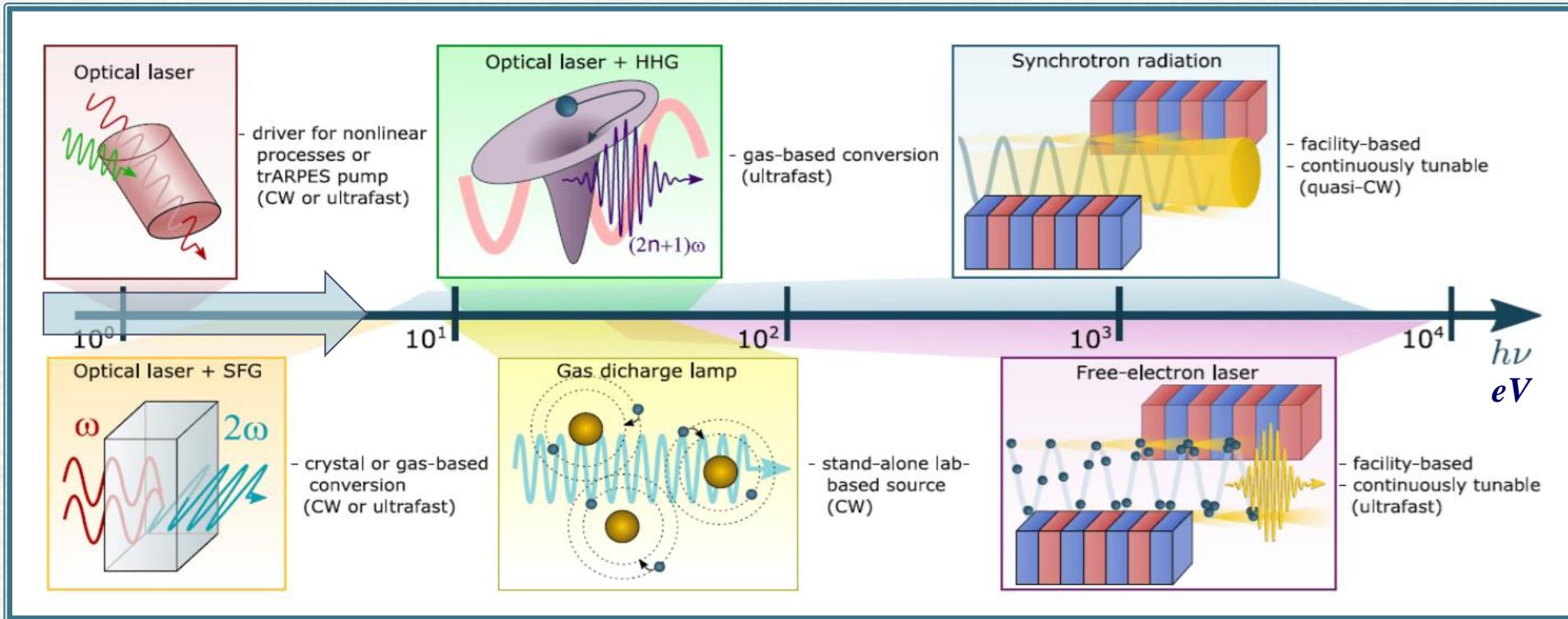
- Photoelectron energy and bound state energy
  - Satellites, multiplet splitting: many-body
  - Chemical shift
  - Molecular photoelectron spectra
  - Photoelectron angular distributions
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- Photoelectron emission in solids
  - PES EDC and density of states
  - Angular resolved PES: electronic band structure
  - Spin and time resolved PES: charge dynamics
  - High energy photoemission HAXPES

C. Mariani and G. Stefani Chapter 9 in «Synchrotron Radiation Basics, Methods and Applications»

# Photoelectron Spectroscopy Schematics:



# Available photon sources:



He I $\alpha$ =21.23eV

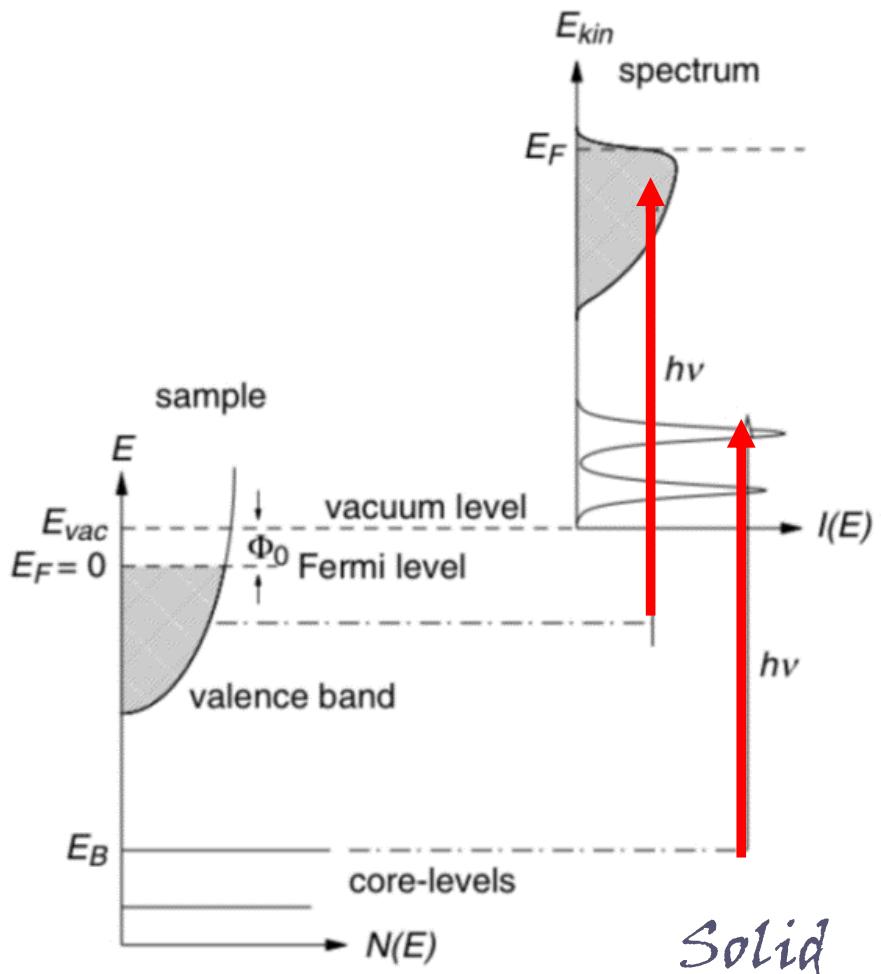
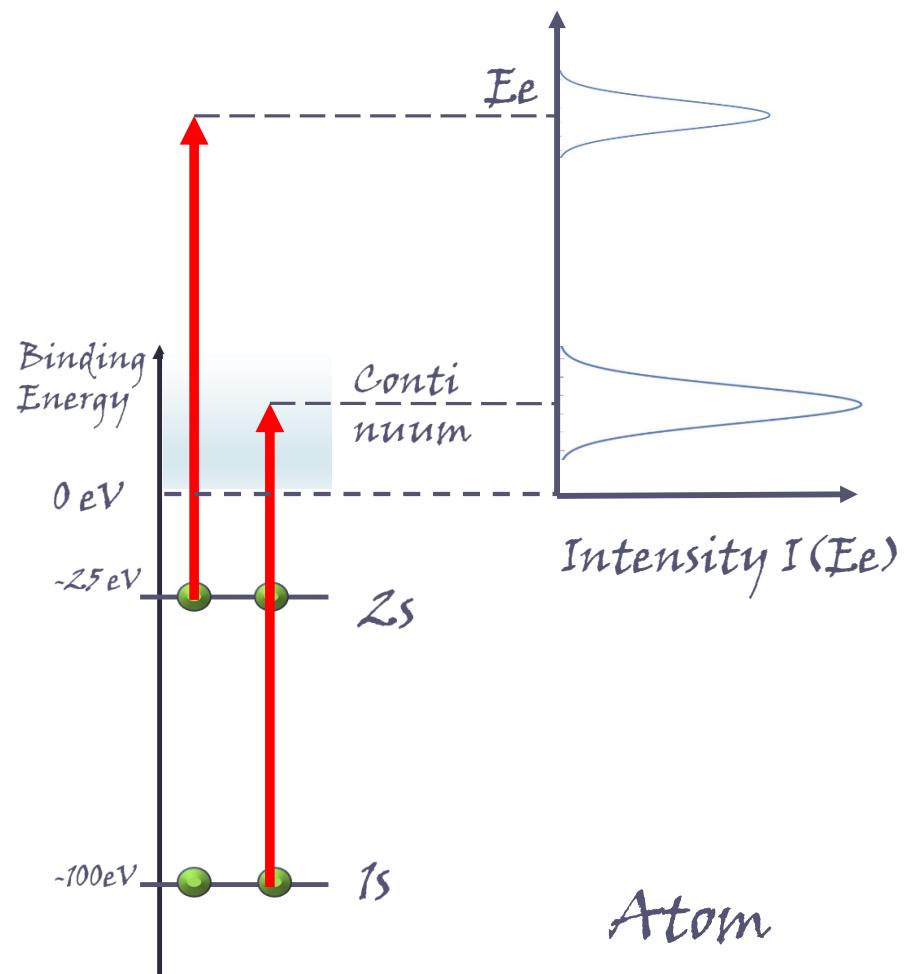
He II $\alpha$ =40.82eV

Mg K $\alpha$ 1,2 = 1253,6 eV

Al K $\alpha$ 1,2=1486,6eV

## Synchrotron Radiation

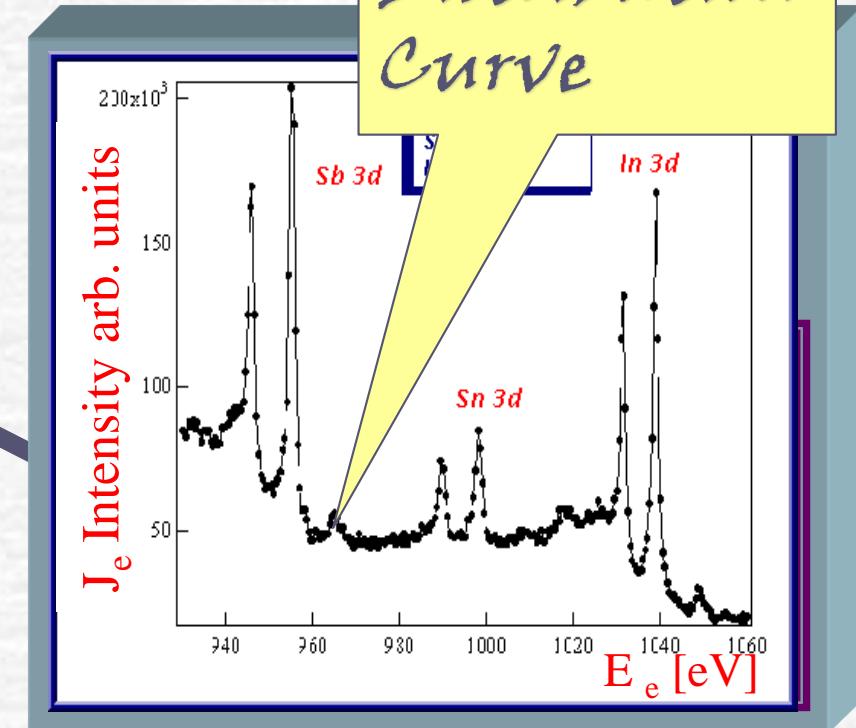
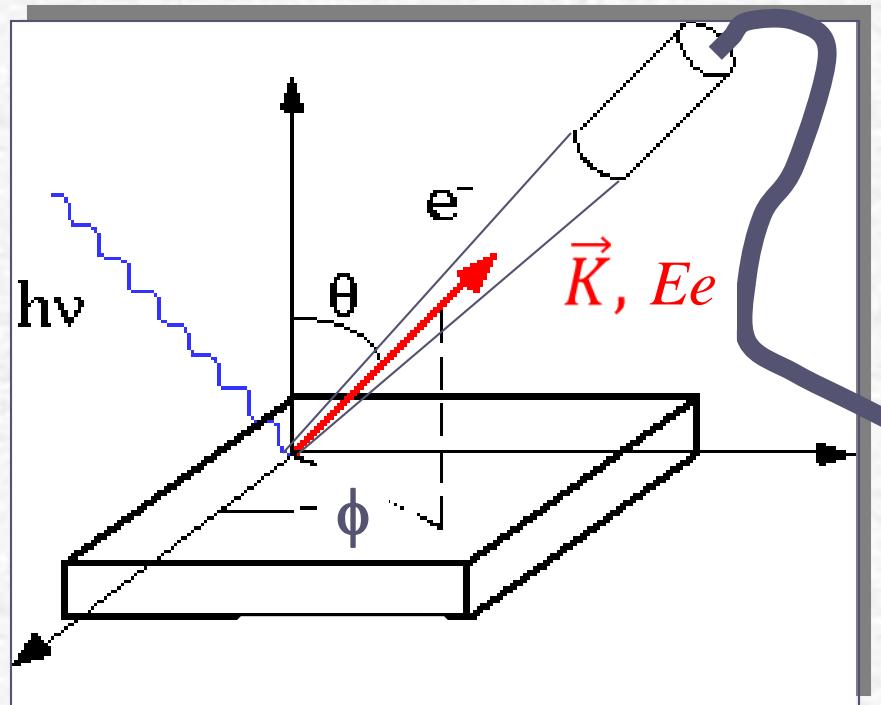
# Energy Distribution Curve EDC



# Energy conservation: Photoelectron energy & Binding energy

$$E_e = \frac{K^2}{2m}$$

$$E_e = h\nu - \Phi - |E_b|$$



# Photon absorption transition probability

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dh\nu} = 4\pi^2 \alpha h\nu \sum_B \left| \hat{\varepsilon} \bullet \left\langle \Psi_B \left| \sum_i \vec{r}_i \right| \Psi_A \right\rangle \right|^2 \delta(E_B - E_A - h\nu)$$

From Boscherini's lectures at this school

$|\Psi_A\rangle$  Initial state A = Neutral ground (excited) state

$|\Psi_B\rangle$  Final state B = Residual ion + free ele

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dh\nu} = \int \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE} d\Omega dE$$



# X-section vs. Photoelectric current

$$J_e(h\nu, \vartheta, \phi) = J_{h\nu}(\rho l) \int \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE} F_{an}(E, \Omega) \eta_{\text{det}}(E) d\Omega dE$$

## Photoemission peak lineshape

1. Photon monochromaticity Gaussian
2. Electron analyzer resolution Gaussian
3. Final state lifetime (uncertainty principle) Lorentian

Lineshape =Convolution (1,2,3)

# Energy balance for 2e atom: He $1s^2$

$$E_B = E_A + h\nu$$

$$\Psi_A = \hat{A} \phi_1 \phi_2$$

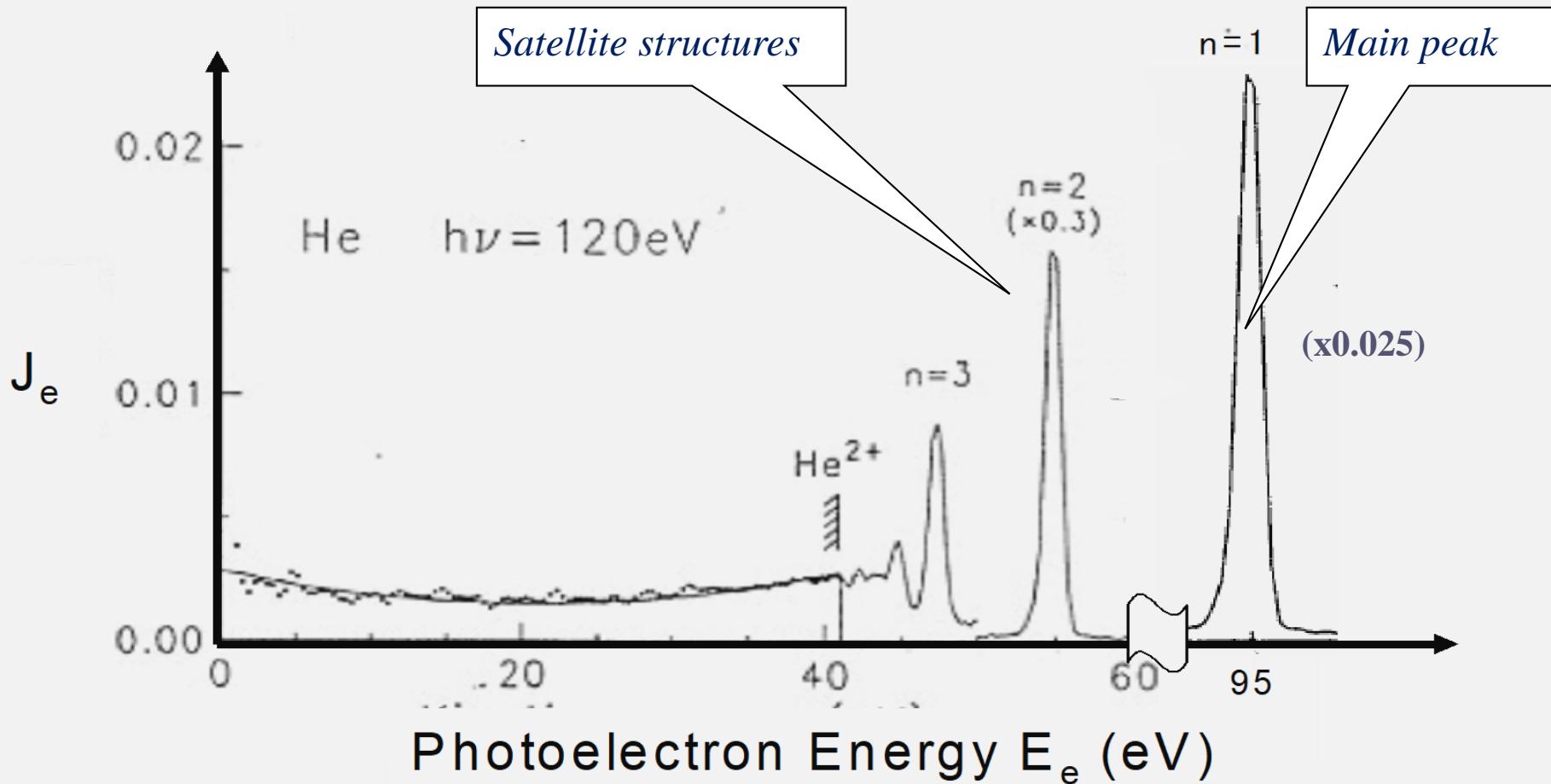
$$\Psi_B = \hat{A} \phi_1 \mathcal{E}_2$$

$$\cancel{(E_{1s} + E_{1s})} + h\nu = \cancel{E_{1s}} + E_e$$

$$h\nu - E_e = BE_{1s} (24.6 eV)$$

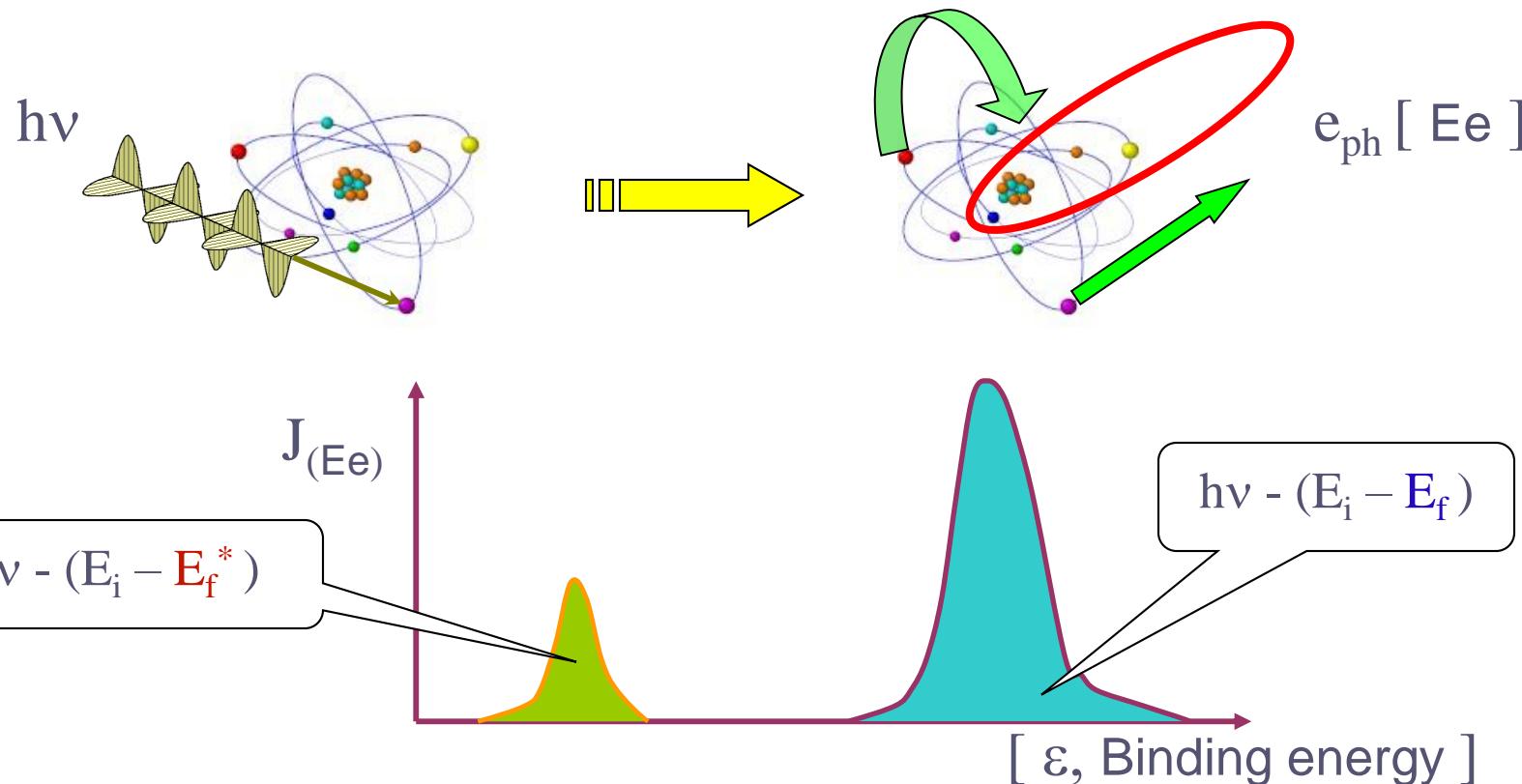
One single photoemission peak is expected  
Energy and momentum are conserved

# Complexity of the photoelectron spectrum: He $1s^2$



# Primary photoionization processes

- Photon = single particle operator
- 2 or more particles involved in final state = e-e correlation
- Relaxation & e-e correlation in photoemission = satellite



# A many electron atom

$$H_0 \left| \Psi_A^{(N)} \right\rangle = E_A^{(N)} \left| \Psi_A^{(N)} \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_0 &= H_0(kin) + H_0(e - n) + H_0(e - e) + H_0(s - o) = \\
 &= \sum_1^N \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \sum_1^N -\frac{Ze^2}{r_i} + \sum_{i>j}^N \frac{e^2}{r_{ij}} + \sum_1^N \zeta(\vec{r}_i) \vec{l}_i \bullet \vec{s}_i
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left| \Psi_A^{(N)} \right\rangle = \hat{A}(\phi_j(\vec{r}_i, \sigma_i); \Psi_{R,A}^{(N-1)})$$

Single  
particle  
orbital

$$H_0' \left| \hat{A}(\varepsilon_j(\vec{r}_i, \sigma_i); \Psi_{R,B}^{(N-1)}) \right\rangle = E_B^{(N)} \left| \hat{A}(\varepsilon_j(\vec{r}_i, \sigma_i); \Psi_{R,B}^{(N-1)}) \right\rangle$$

# Sudden approximation

$$\left| \Psi_B^{(N)} \right\rangle = \hat{A}(\varepsilon_l; \left| \Psi_B^{(N-1)} \right\rangle)$$

$$A_{A,B}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE_e} \propto \frac{1}{h\nu} \sum_{A,B} \left| \hat{\varepsilon} \bullet \langle \varepsilon_l | \vec{r}_j | \phi_j(\vec{r}_j, \sigma_j) \rangle \langle \Psi_{R,B}^{(N-1)} | \Psi_{R,A}^{(N-1)} \rangle \right|^2 \delta(E_e + E_B^{(N-1)} - E_A - h\nu)$$

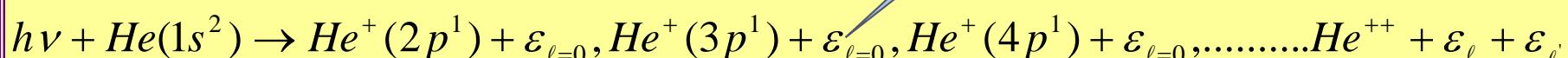
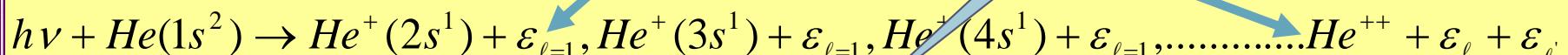
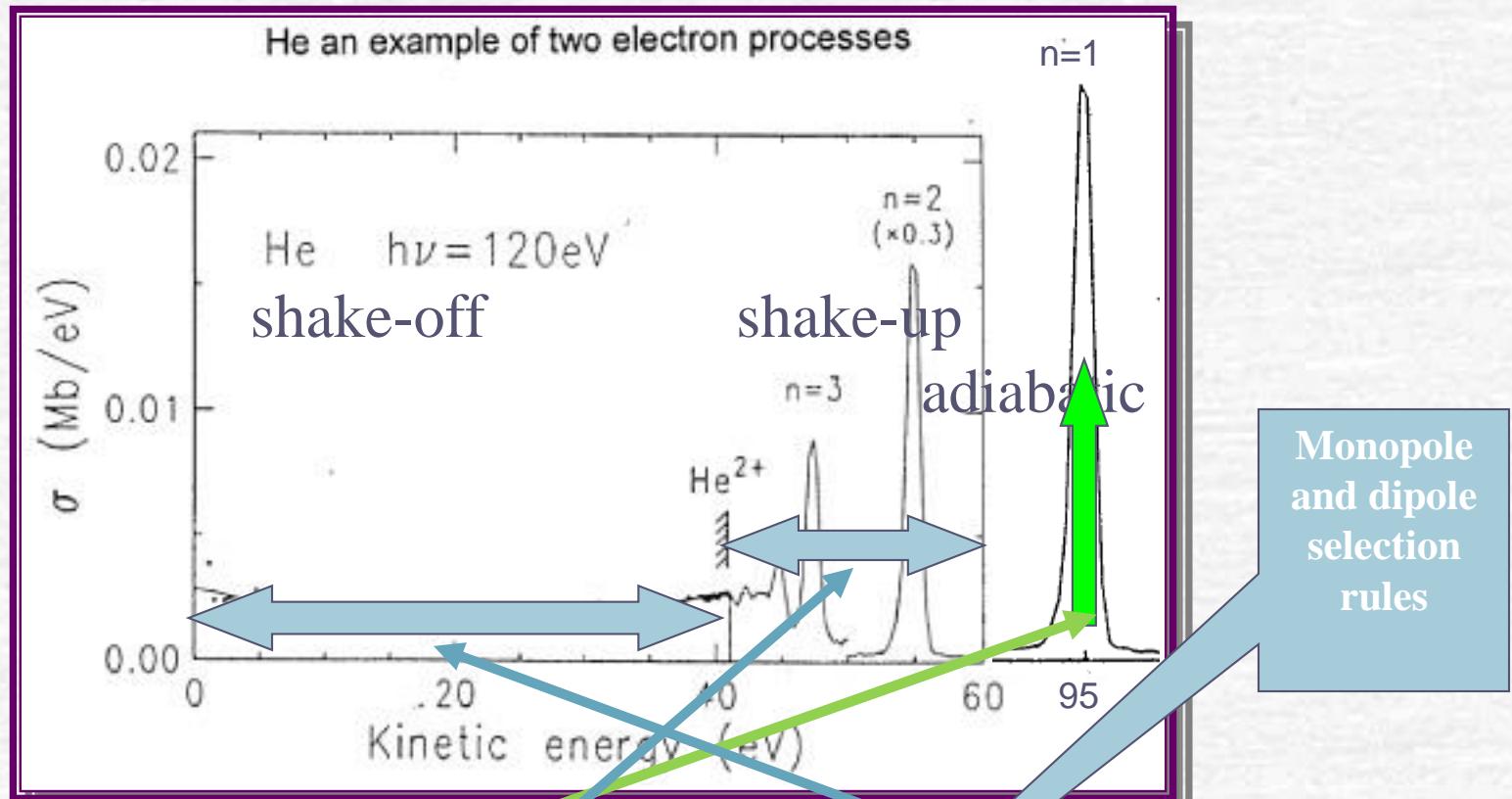
# Frozen core approximation

Neglects  
relaxation

$$\dot{H_0} = H_0$$

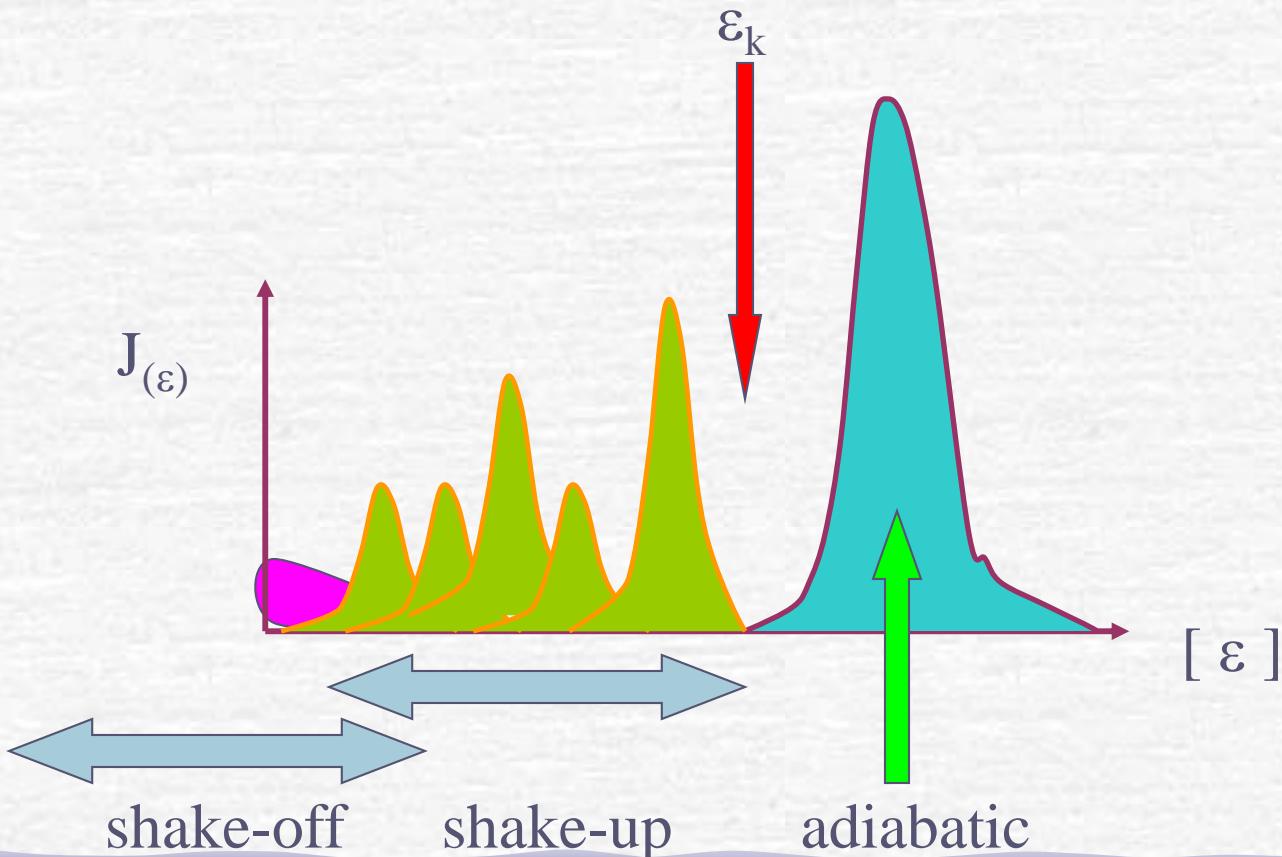
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE_e} \propto \frac{1}{h\nu} \sum_{A,B} \left| \hat{\varepsilon} \bullet \langle \varepsilon_l | \vec{r}_j | \phi_j(\vec{r}_j, \sigma_j) \rangle \right|^2 \delta(E_e + \varepsilon_j - h\nu)$$

# The full photoemission picture in He (e-e)



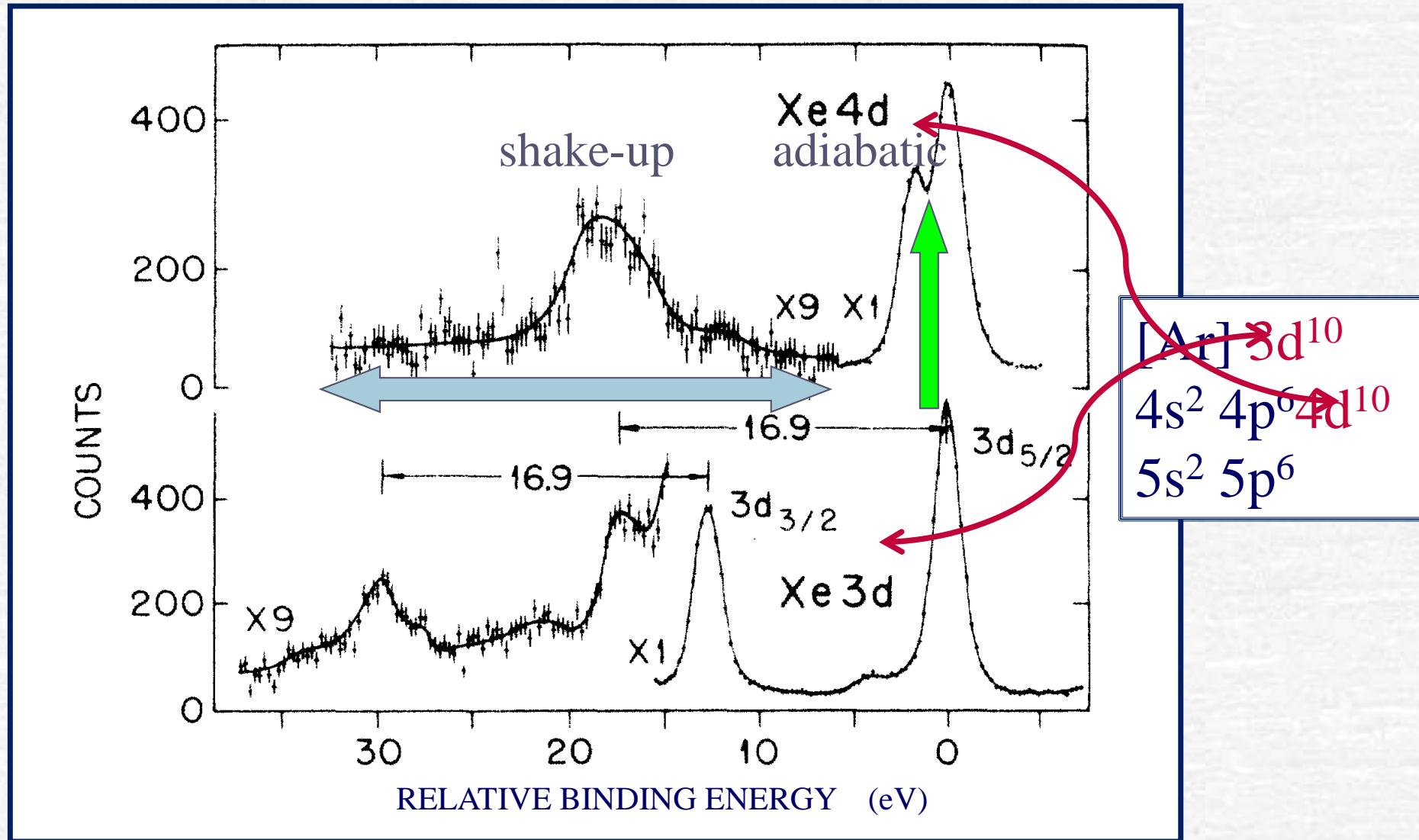
# Koopmans energy vs. photoemission peaks

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE_e} \propto \frac{1}{h\nu} \sum_{A,B} \left| \hat{\epsilon} \bullet \left\langle \varepsilon_l \left| \vec{r}_j \right| \phi_j(\vec{r}_j, \sigma_j) \right\rangle \right|^2 A_{A,B} \delta(E_e + E_B^{(N-1)} - E_A - h\nu)$$



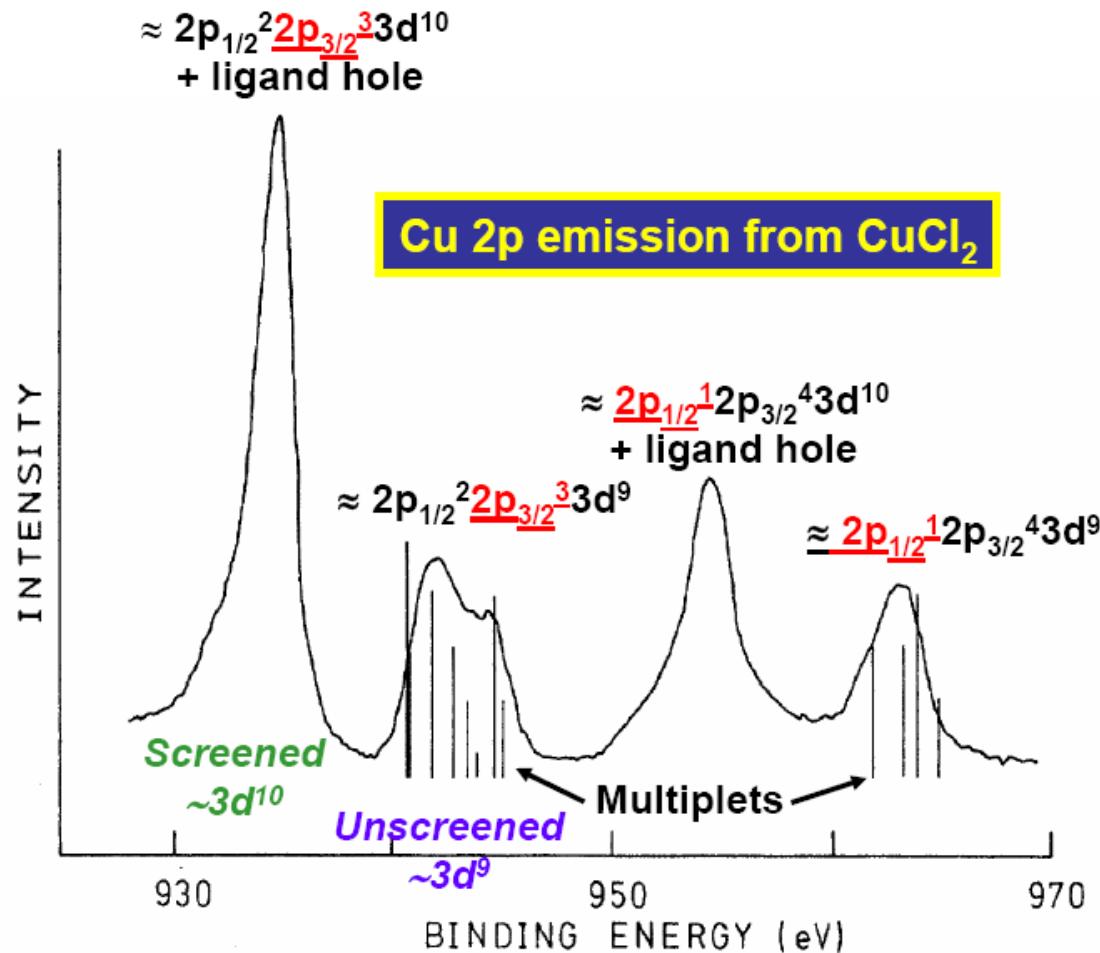
$$\varepsilon_k = \frac{\sum_i \varepsilon_i I_i}{\sum_i I_i}$$
$$E_{relax} = \varepsilon_{adiab} - \varepsilon_k$$

# Complexity: is e-e all? Spin-Orbit coupling!!



PHYSICAL REVIEW A 9 (1974) 1603

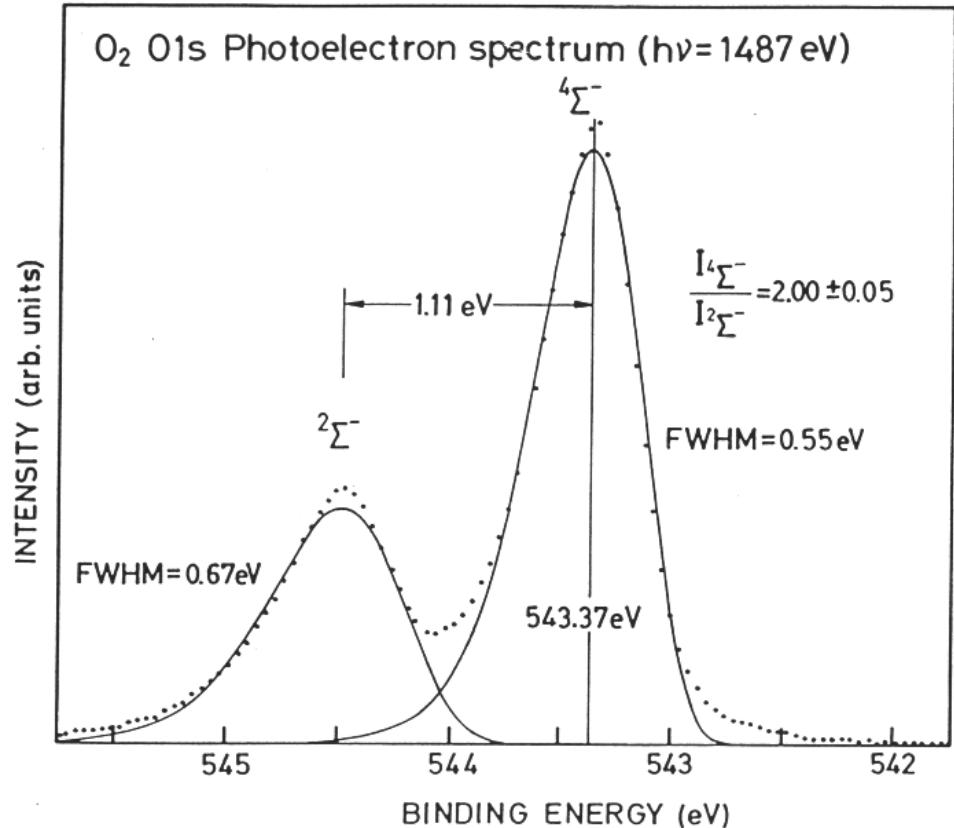
# $\text{CuCl}_2$ multiplet & satellite ( $l-s$ ) ( $e-e$ )



$$\Psi_{final,K}(N-1) = C_{1,K}(2\text{p}_{1/2}^2 2\text{p}_{3/2}^3 3\text{d}^{10} + \text{Cl hole}) + C_{2,K}(2\text{p}_{1/2}^2 2\text{p}_{3/2}^3 3\text{d}^9)$$

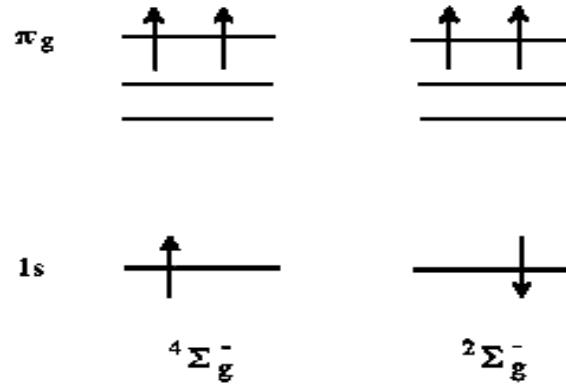
Van der Laan et al., Phys. Rev. B 23 (1981) 4369

# Molecular multiplet splitting $O_2$ ( s-s )

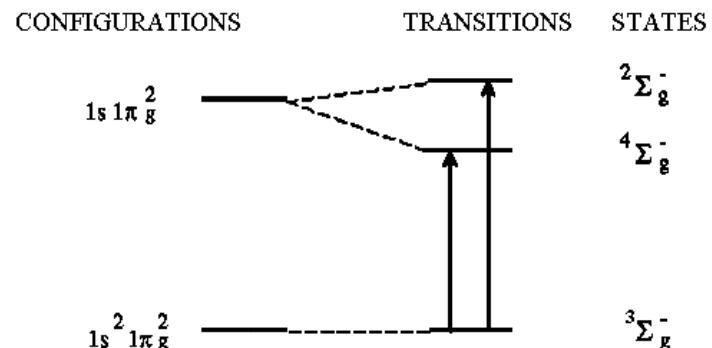


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CORE HOLE MULTIPLET STATES OF O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>



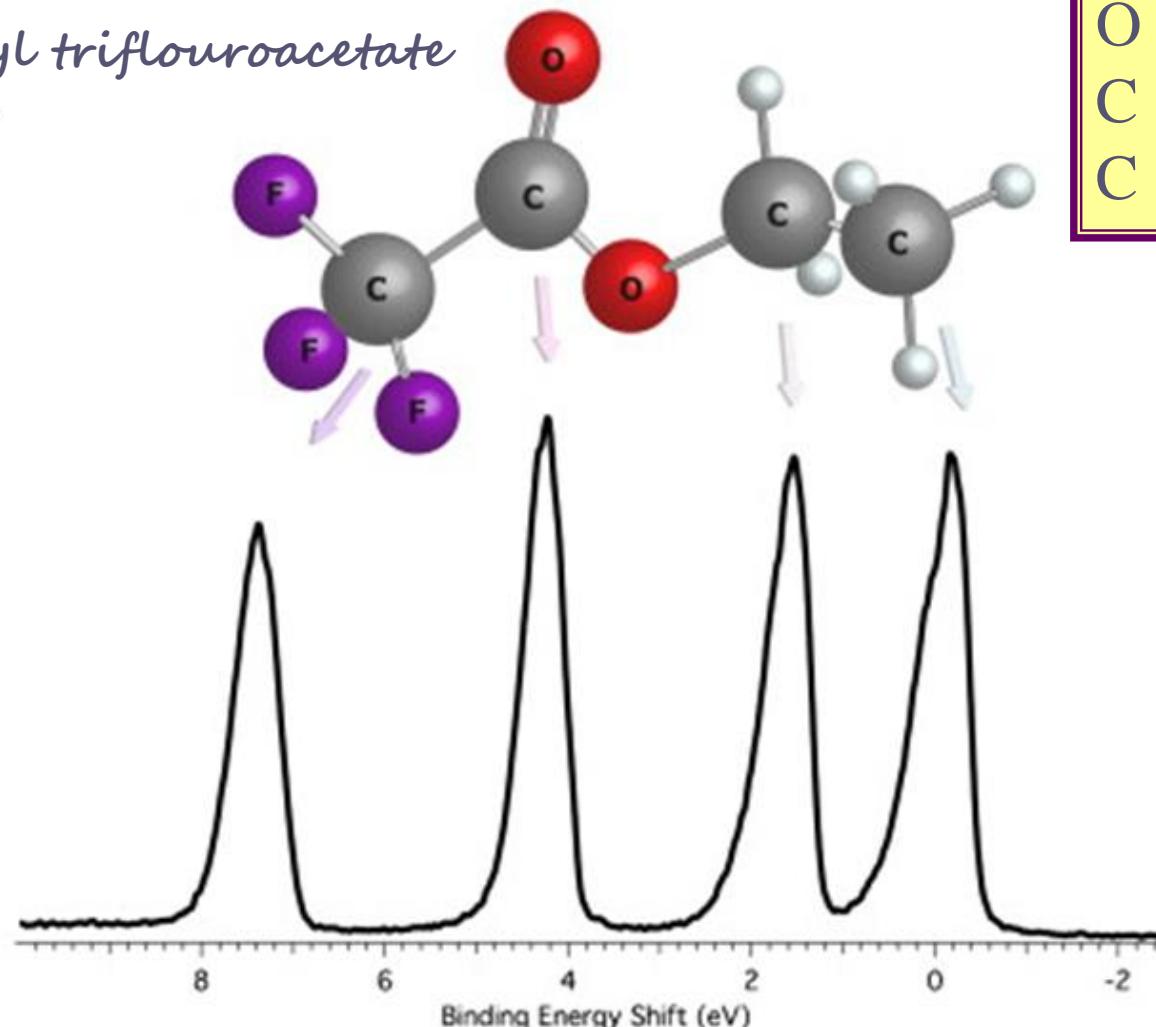
MULTIPLER TRANSITIONS IN O<sub>2</sub>



# Chemical shift: neighbour interaction

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Volume 185, Issues 8–9, September 2012, Pages 191–197

ethyl trifluoroacetate

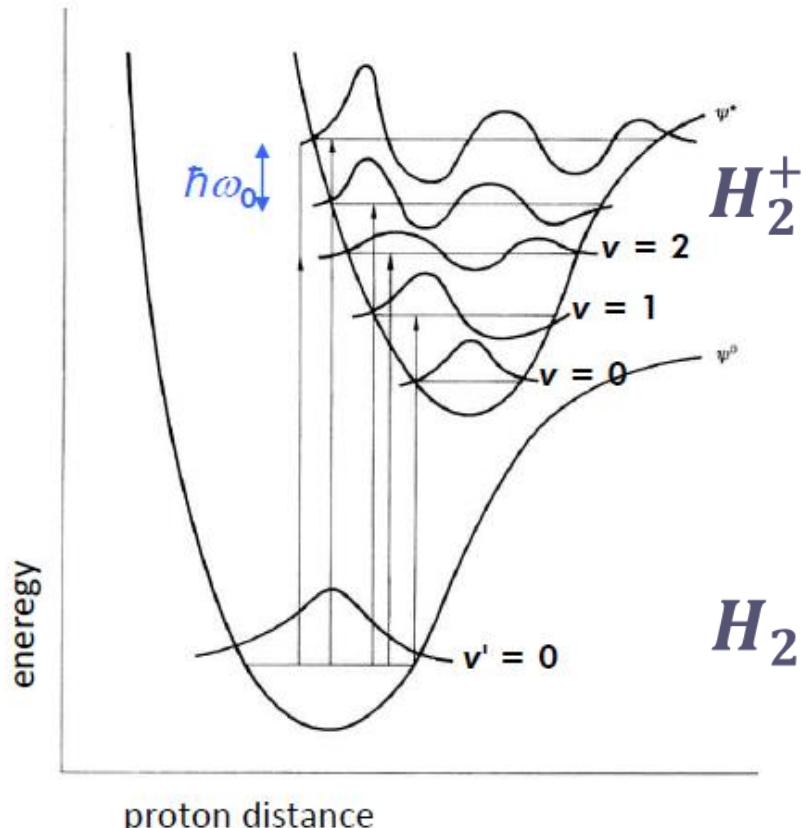


C 1s	285-300 eV
O 1s	530-540 eV
C 1s	$\text{CO}_2$ 298 eV
C 1s	$\text{CH}_4$ 291 eV

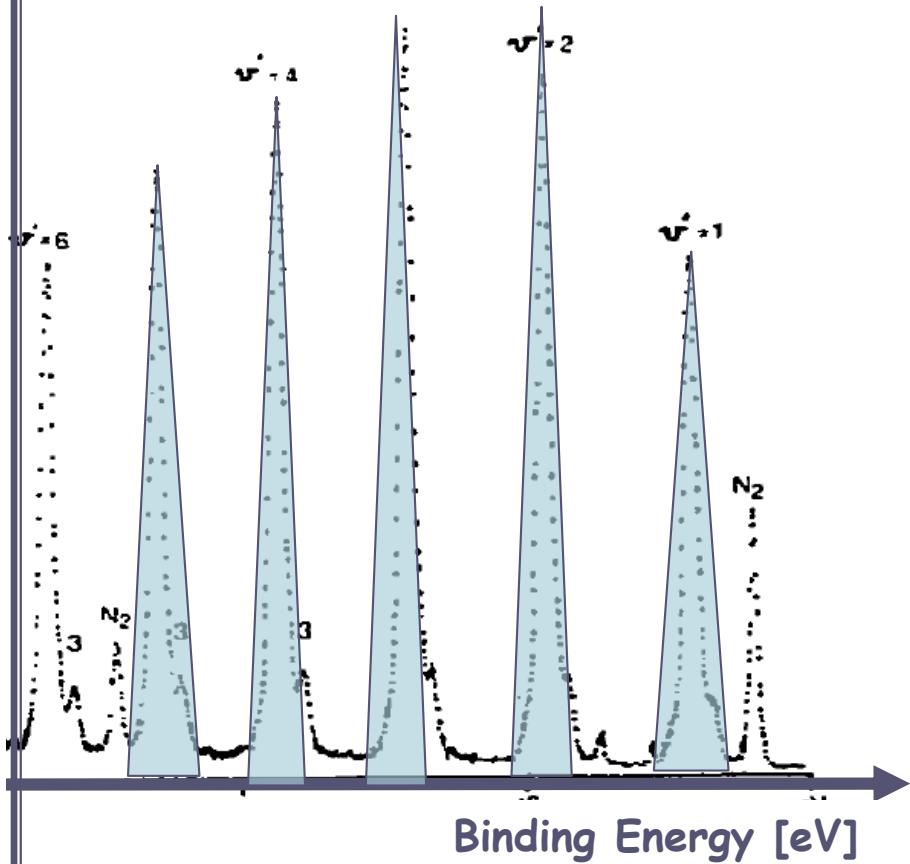
Sensitivity to  
local chemical  
Environment

# PES spectrum of $H_2$ (nuclear motion)

## Franck-Condon principle



L. Asbrink Chem. Phys. Lett. 7 (1976) 549



# Molecular PE x-section: nuclear motion

$$H_0 = H_0(kin) + H_0(e-n) + H_0(e-e) + H_0(s-o) + H_0(n-n) =$$

$$= \sum_1^N \frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \sum_1^N -\frac{Ze^2}{r_i} + \sum_{i>j}^N \frac{e^2}{r_{ij}} + \sum_1^N \zeta(r_j) \vec{l}_i \bullet \vec{s}_i + \sum_{i>j}^M \frac{e^2 Z_i Z_j}{r_{ij}}$$

Born Oppenheimer

$$\left| \Psi_{A,B}^{(N)} \right\rangle = \left| \Psi_{A,B}^{(N)} \right\rangle \left| \Psi_{A,B}^{vib} \right\rangle$$

$A_{A,B}$

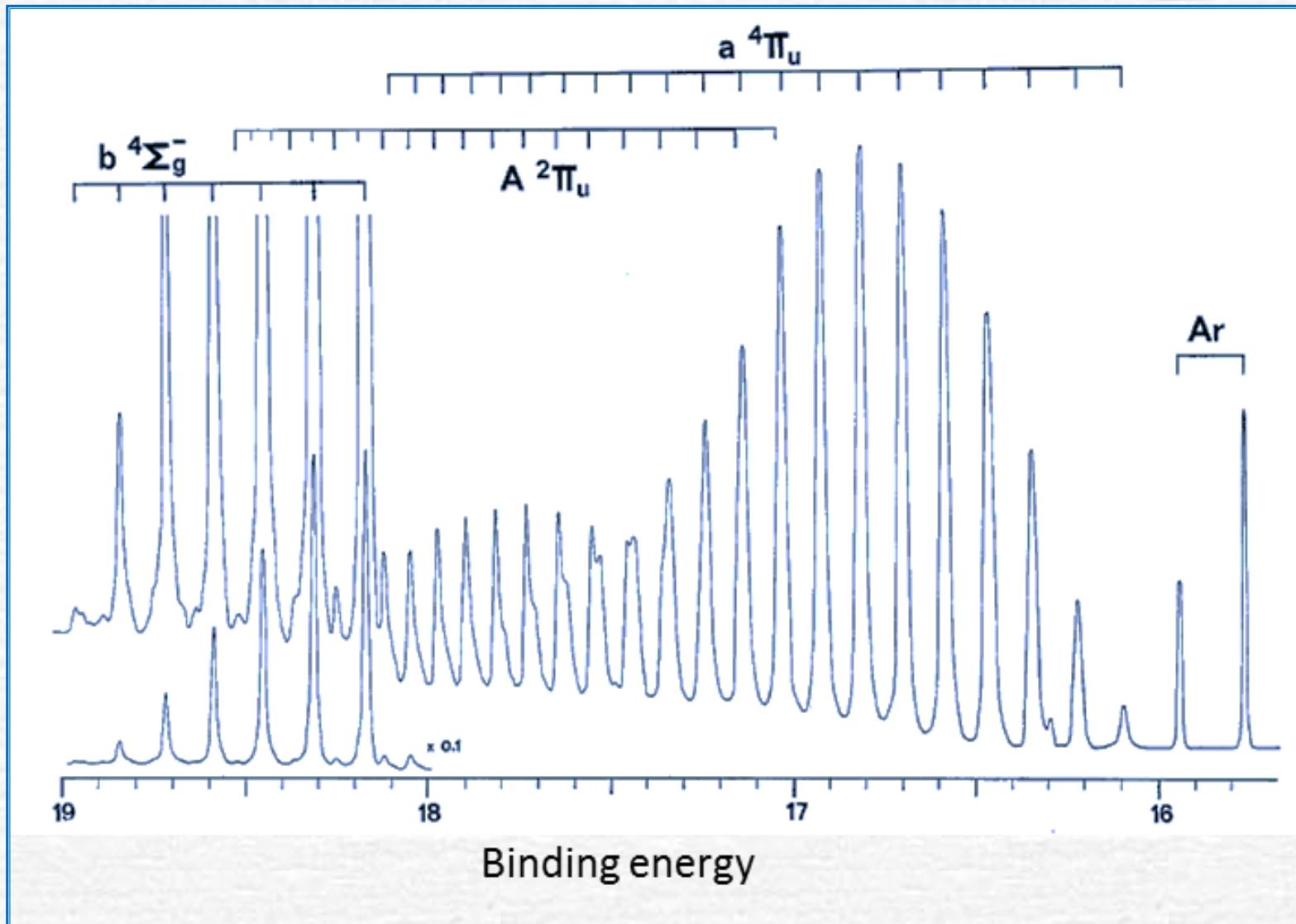
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE_e} \propto \frac{1}{h\nu} \sum_{A,B} \left| \hat{\epsilon} \bullet \left\langle \epsilon_l \left| \vec{r}_j \right| \sum_{A\lambda} C_{A\lambda} \phi_{A\lambda} \right\rangle \left\langle \Psi_{B,R}^{(N-1)} \left| \Psi_{A,R}^{(N-1)} \right\rangle \right|^2 \right.$$

Frank Condon

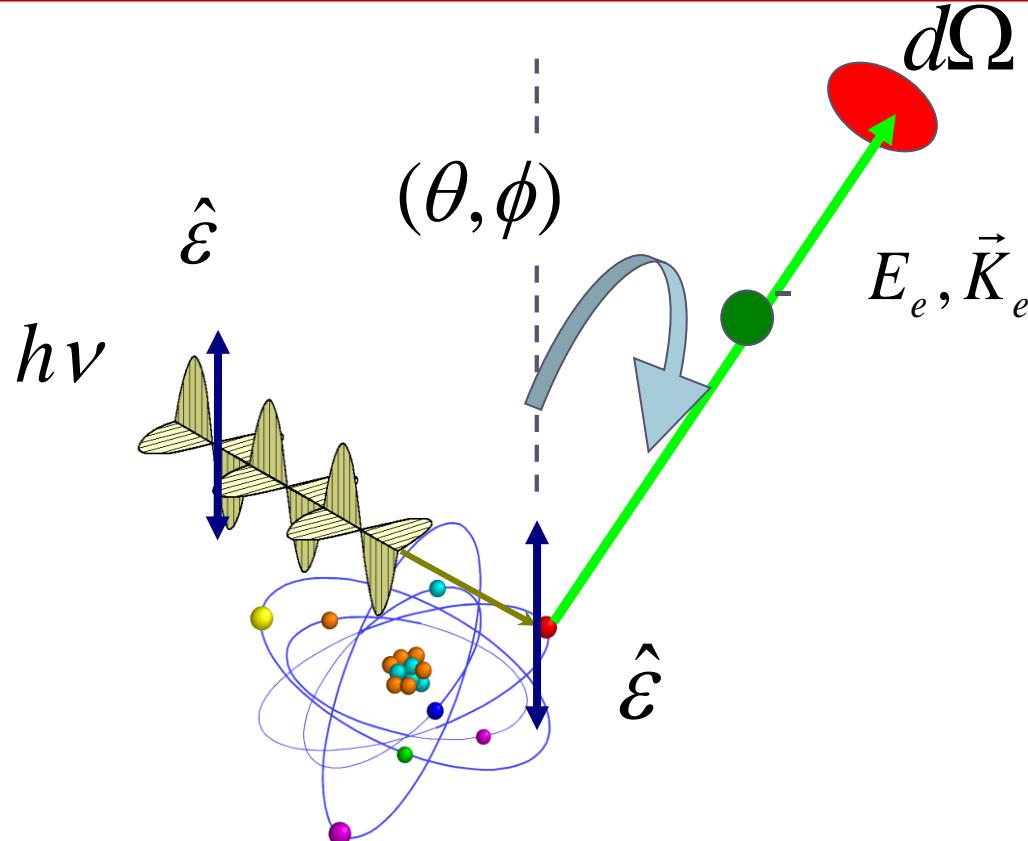
$$\left| \left\langle \Psi_B^{vib} \left| \Psi_A^{vib} \right\rangle \right|^2 \delta(E_e + E_B^{(N-1)} - E_A - h\nu) \right.$$

# PES $O_2$ vibrational and multiplet splitting

Adapted: Turner Proc. Roy. Soc. A 307 (1968) 1488

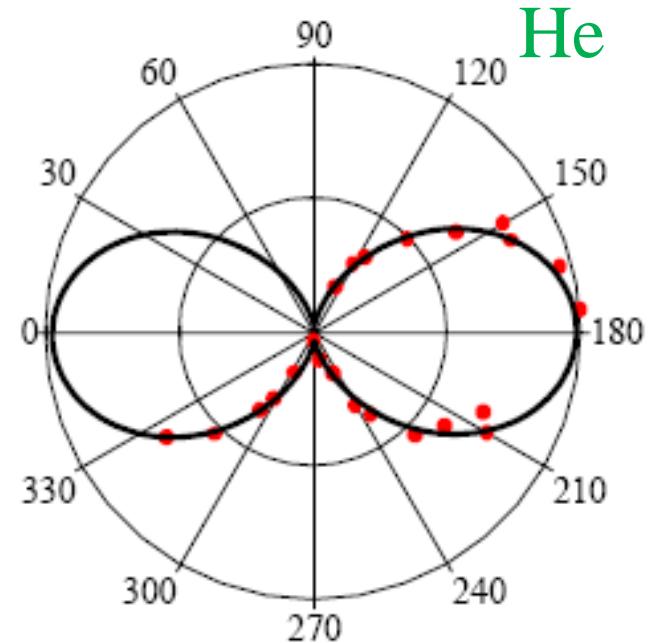
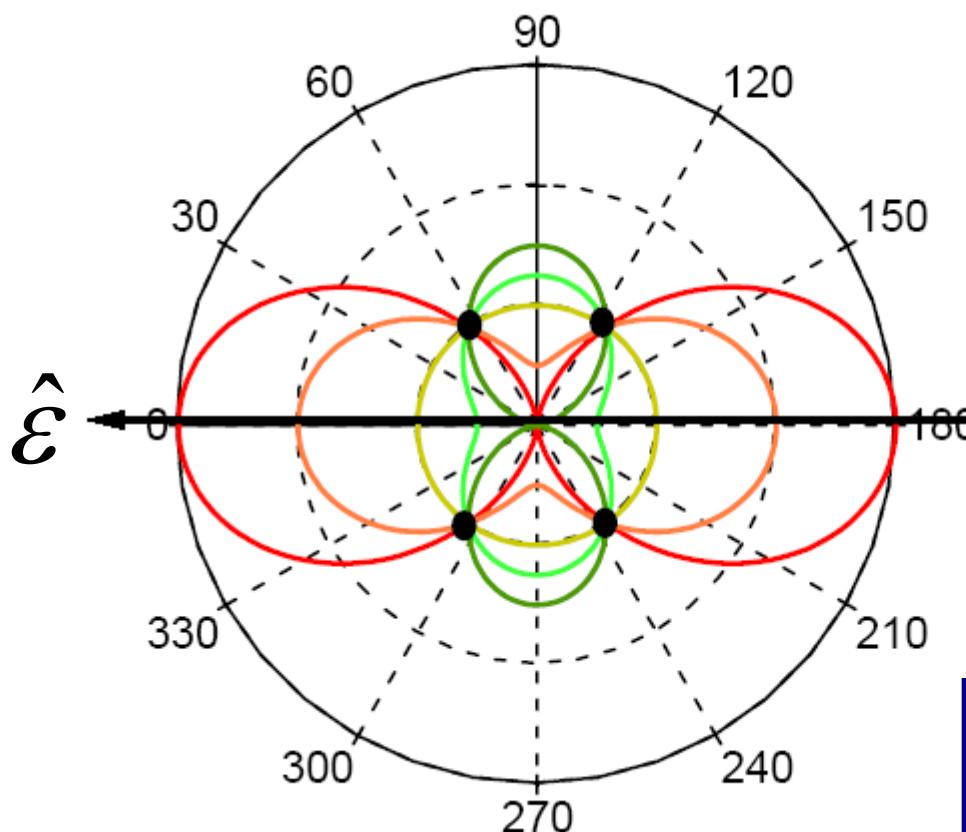


# PE angular distribution



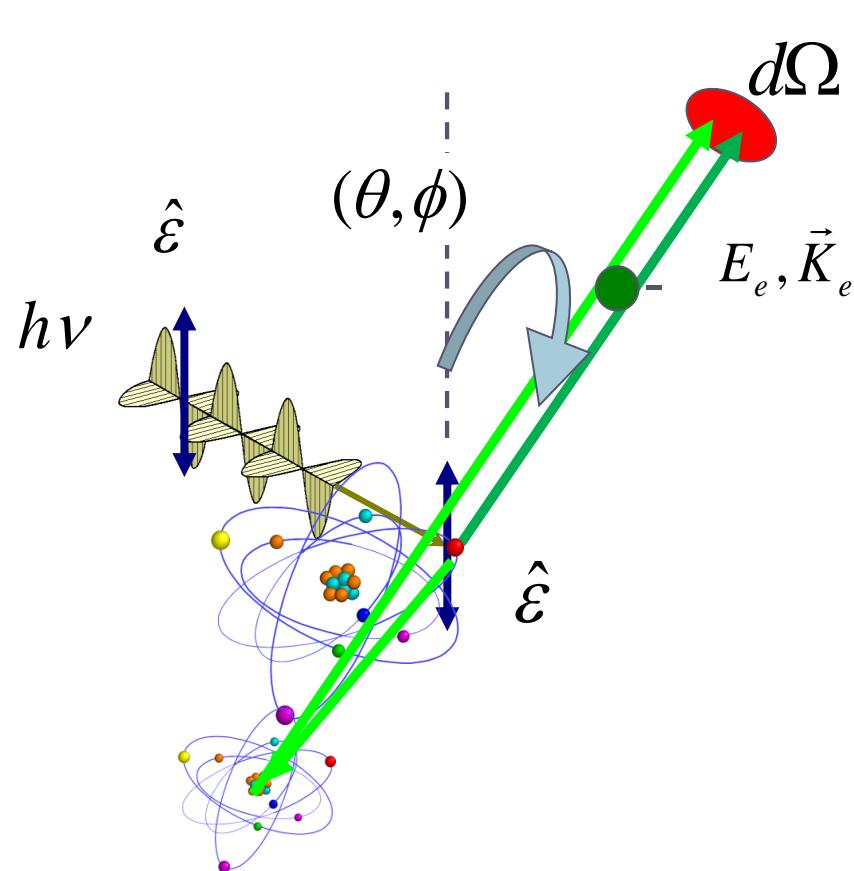
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto \frac{1}{h\nu} \sum_A \left| \hat{\varepsilon} \cdot \langle \varepsilon_l | \vec{r}_j | \phi_j(\vec{r}_j, \sigma_j) \rangle \langle \Psi_{B,R}^{(N-1)} | \Psi_{A,R}^{(N-1)} \rangle \right|^2$$

# Angular distributions: state symmetry



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto \frac{\sigma}{4\pi} [1 + \beta P_2 \cos(\vartheta)]$$

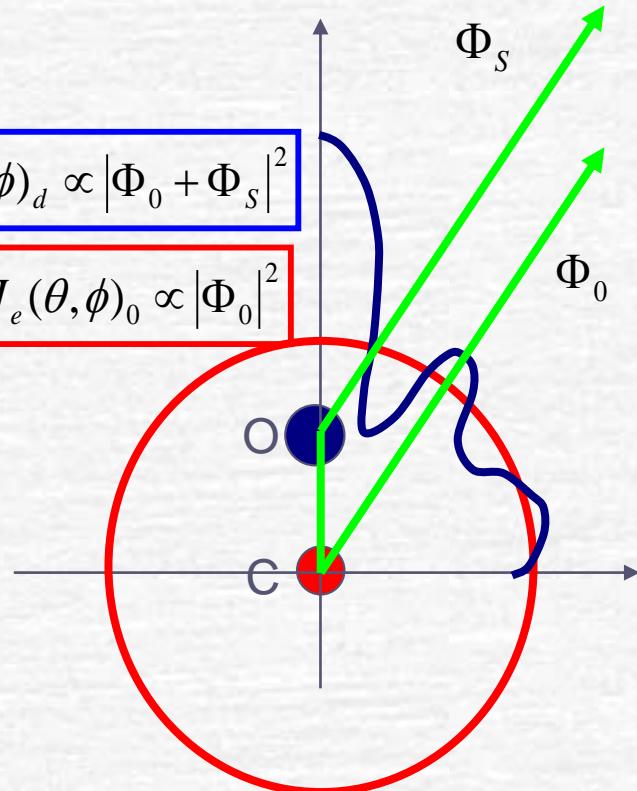
# Angular distribution and neighbouring atoms



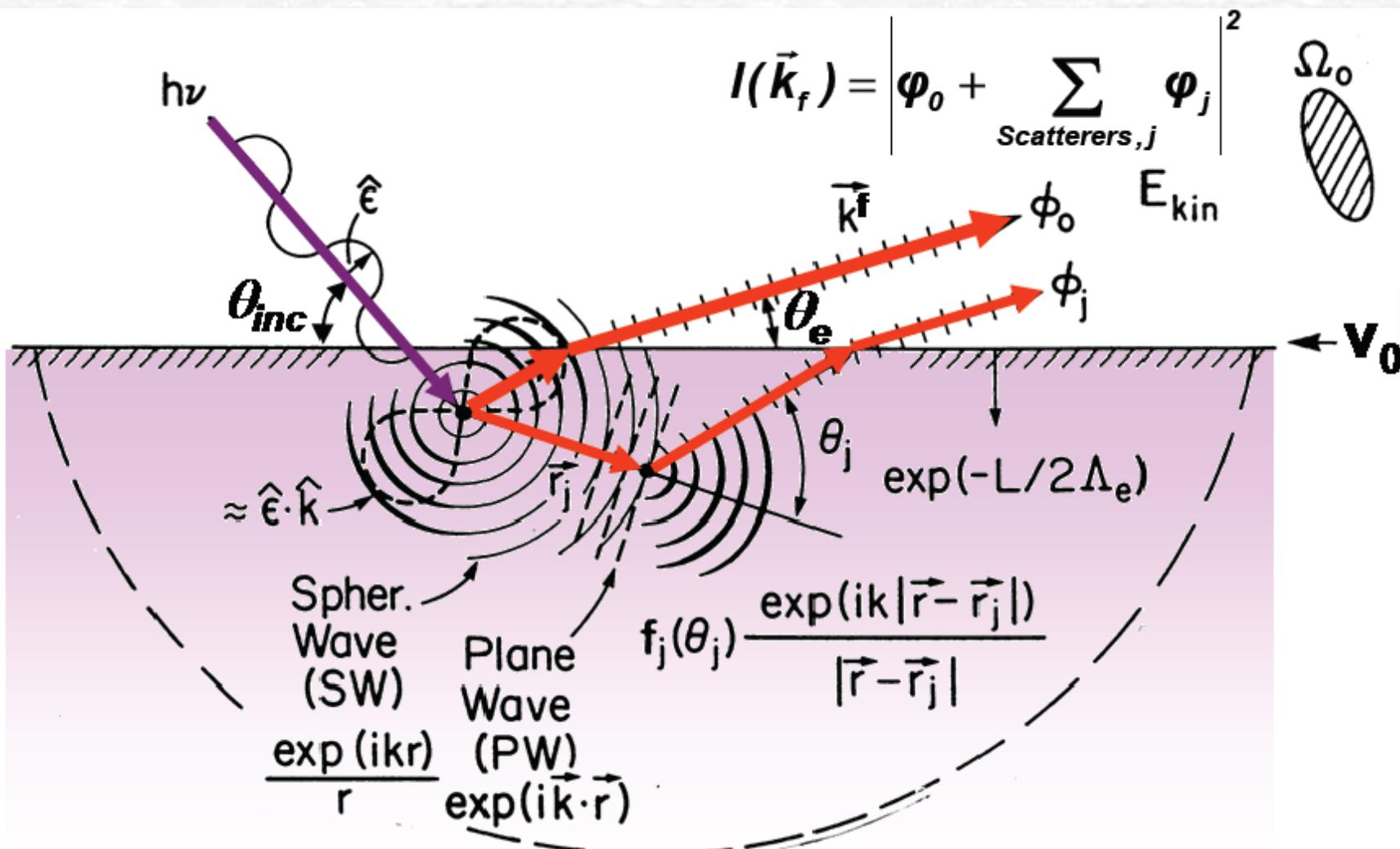
$$J_e \left| \Phi_{direct} + \sum_i \Phi_{scattered}^i \right|^2$$

$$J_e(\theta, \phi)_d \propto |\Phi_0 + \Phi_s|^2$$

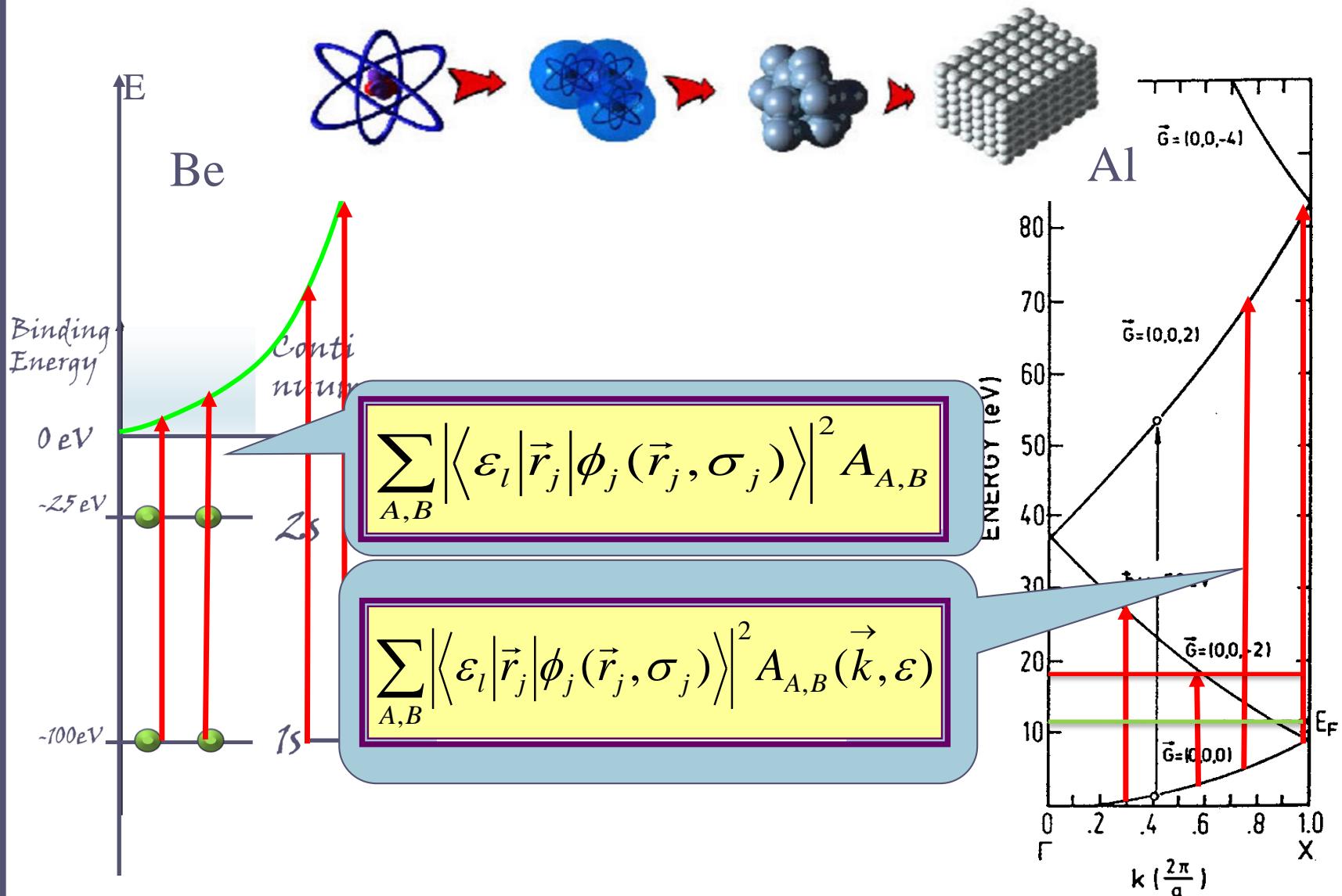
$$J_e(\theta, \phi)_0 \propto |\Phi_0|^2$$



# Application to surfaces



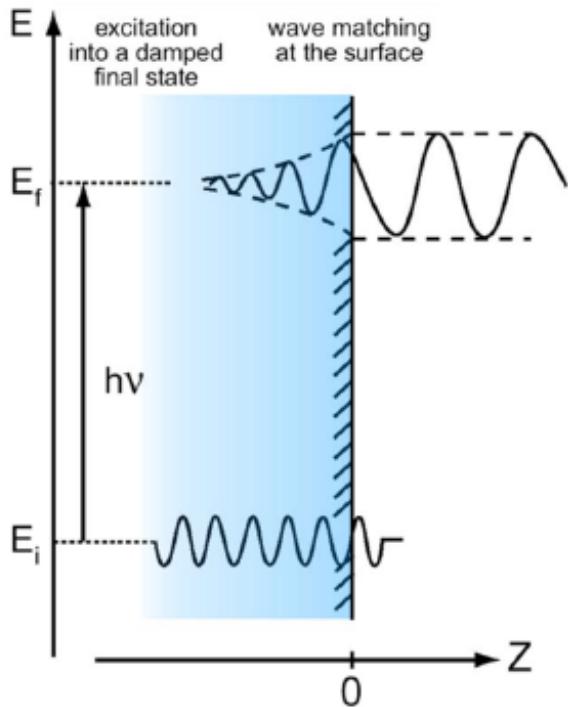
# From central to periodic potential



# Photoelectron x-section in solids

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega dE_e} \propto \frac{1}{h\nu} \sum_{A,B} \left| \hat{\varepsilon} \bullet \left\langle \phi_f(\vec{k}) | \vec{r}_{if} | \phi_i(\vec{k}) \right\rangle \right|^2 \cdot A_{A,E} \mathbf{1}(\vec{k} \cdot \varepsilon) \cdot \delta(E_e + E_B^{(N-1)} - E_A - h\nu)$$

One step model

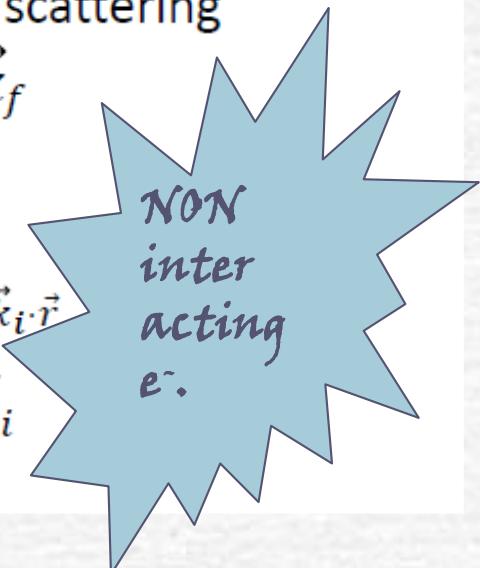


final states: "time-inverted LEED state"

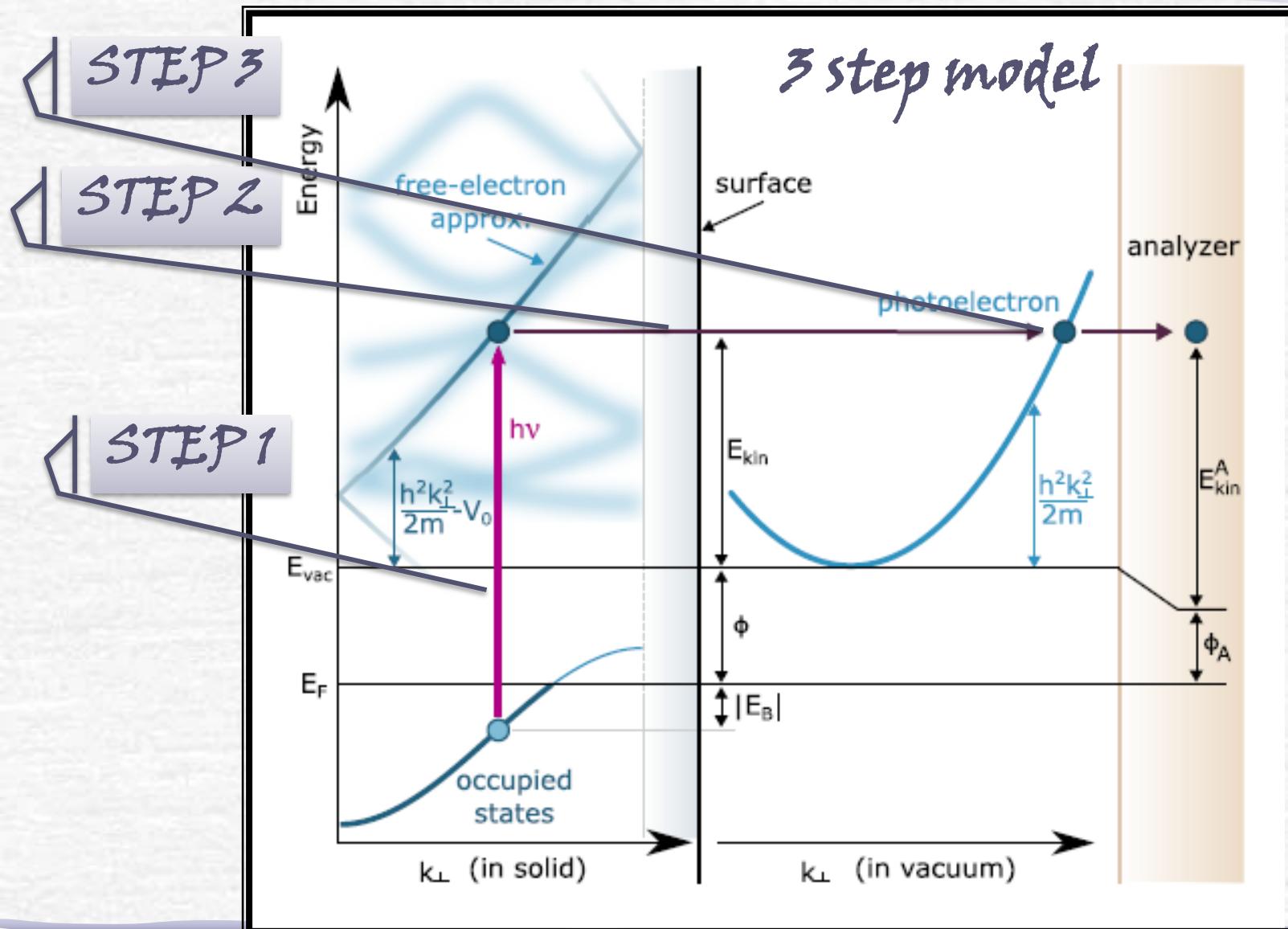
- in vacuum: free electron wave  $e^{i\vec{k}_f \cdot \vec{r}}$
- in the solid: matched to high lying Bloch waves, damped by e-e scattering
- energy  $E_f$  and wavevector  $\vec{k}_f$

initial states in the solid:

- bulk Bloch waves  $u_{n\vec{k}_i}(\vec{r})e^{i\vec{k}_i \cdot \vec{r}}$
- energy  $E_i$  and wavevector  $\vec{k}_i$

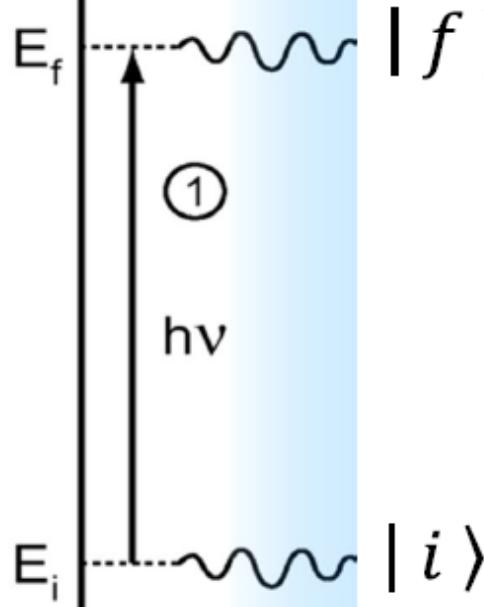


# Photoelectron must escape from solid

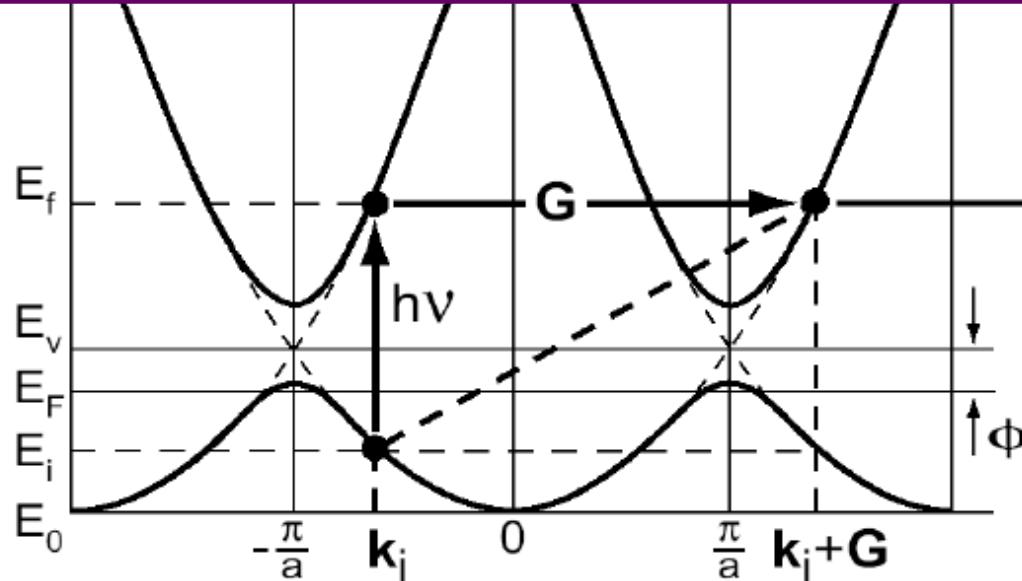


# Step 1: optical excitation in the solid

$E$   
excitation  
into a bulk  
final state



$$J_e \propto \sum_{i,f} \left\{ \left( f(E_i) [1 - f(E_f)] \right) \cdot \left| M_{i,f} \right|^2 \delta(E_f - E_i - h\nu) \cdot \delta(K_i - K_f + G) \right\}$$



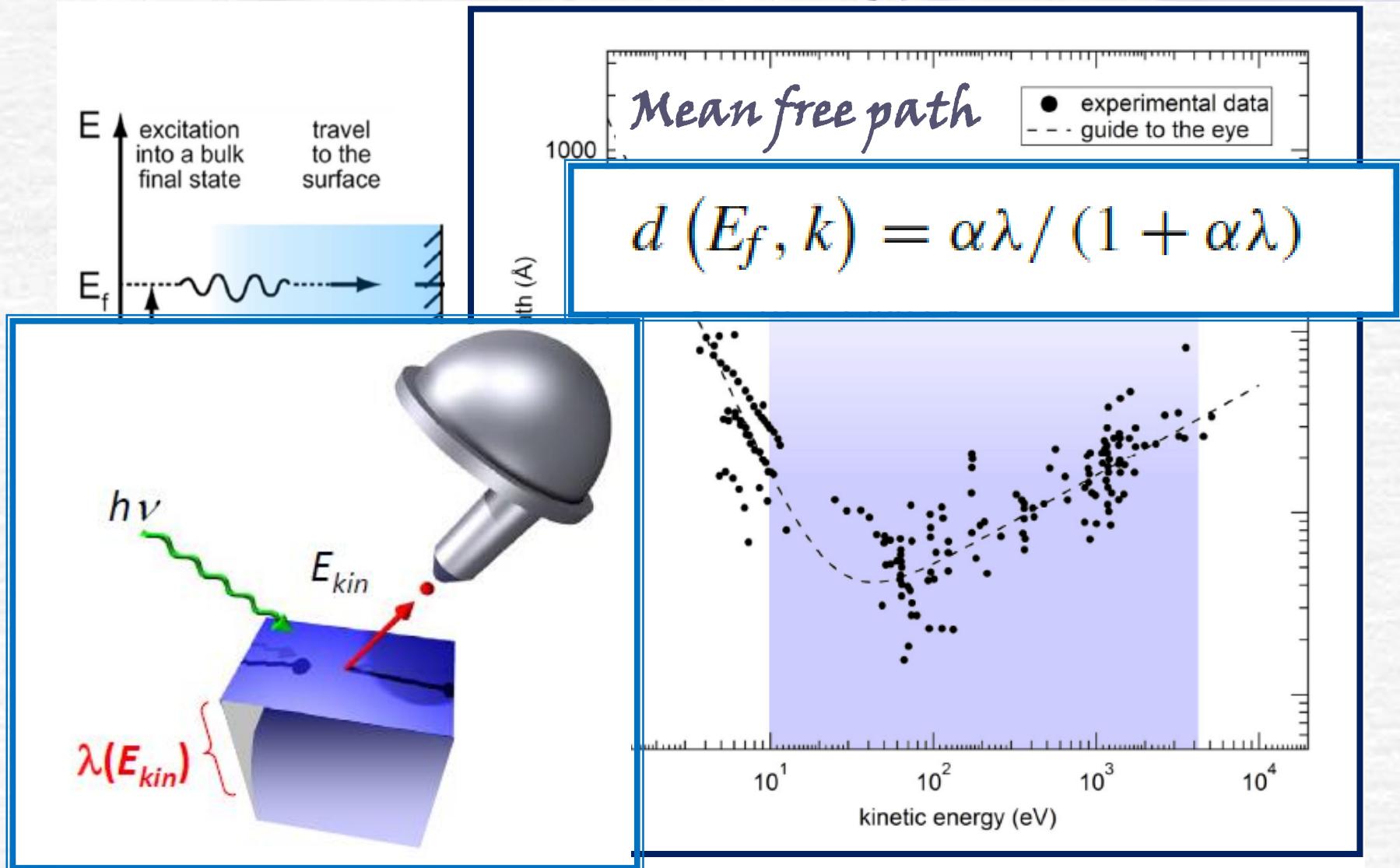
**momentum conservation:**

$$\vec{k}_f = \vec{k}_i + \vec{G} + \vec{k}_{\text{photon}}$$

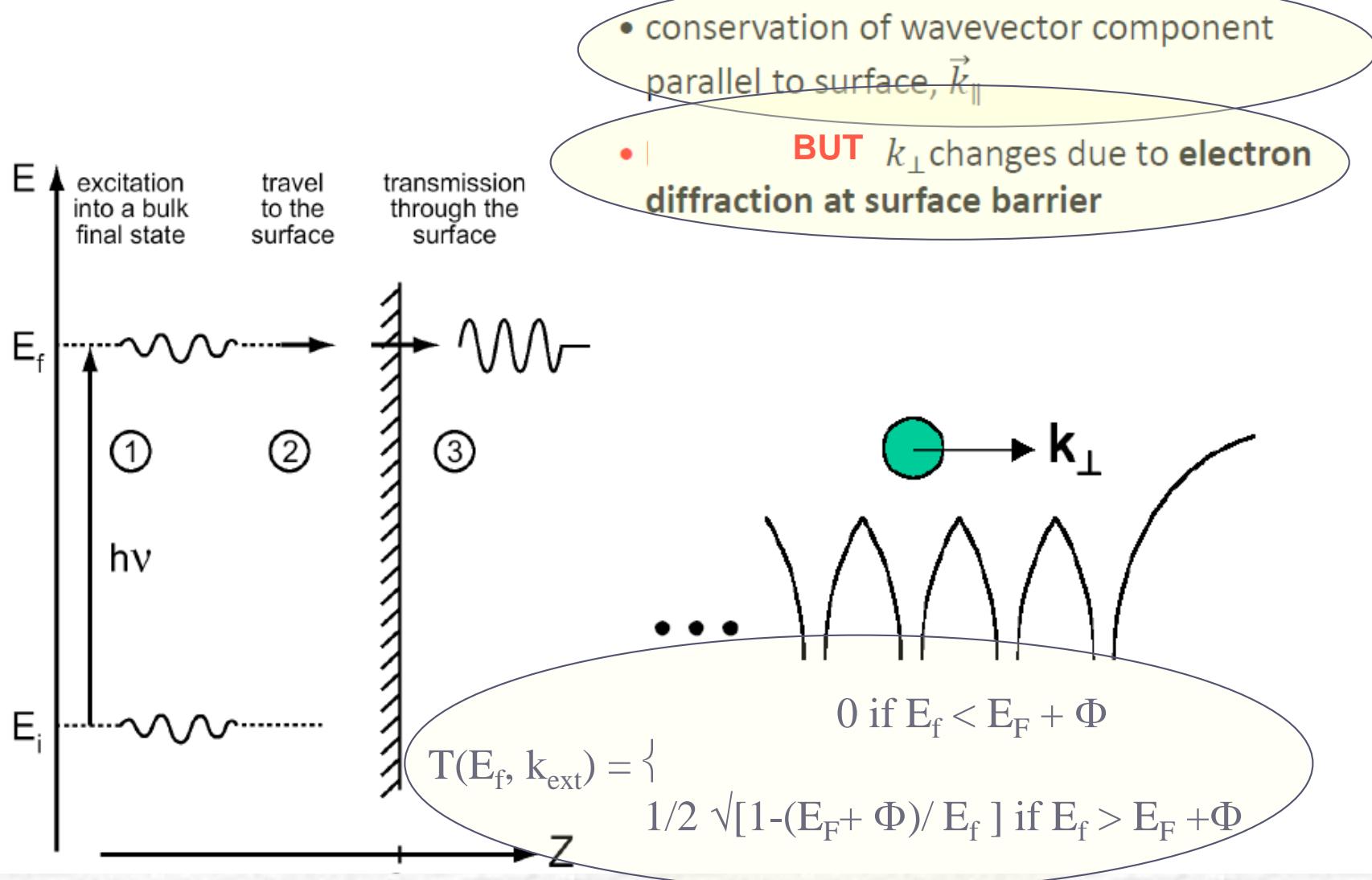
only "vertical"  
transitions

for VUV excitation

# Step 2: Transport to the surface

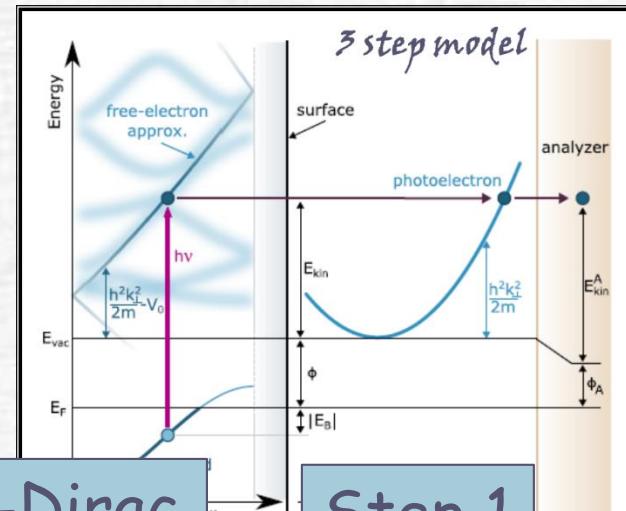


# Step 3: Transition to vacuum



# $J_e$ in the 3 step model

1. Dipole transition
2. Elastic transport
3. Exit to vacuum



Initial-final states Fermi-Dirac

Step 1

$$J_e \propto \sum_{i,f} \left\{ f(E_i) [1 - f(E_f)] \cdot |M_{i,f}|^2 \delta(E_f - E_i - h\nu) \cdot \delta(K_i - K_f + G) \cdot d(E_f, k) \right\}$$

$$d(E_f, k)$$

Step 2

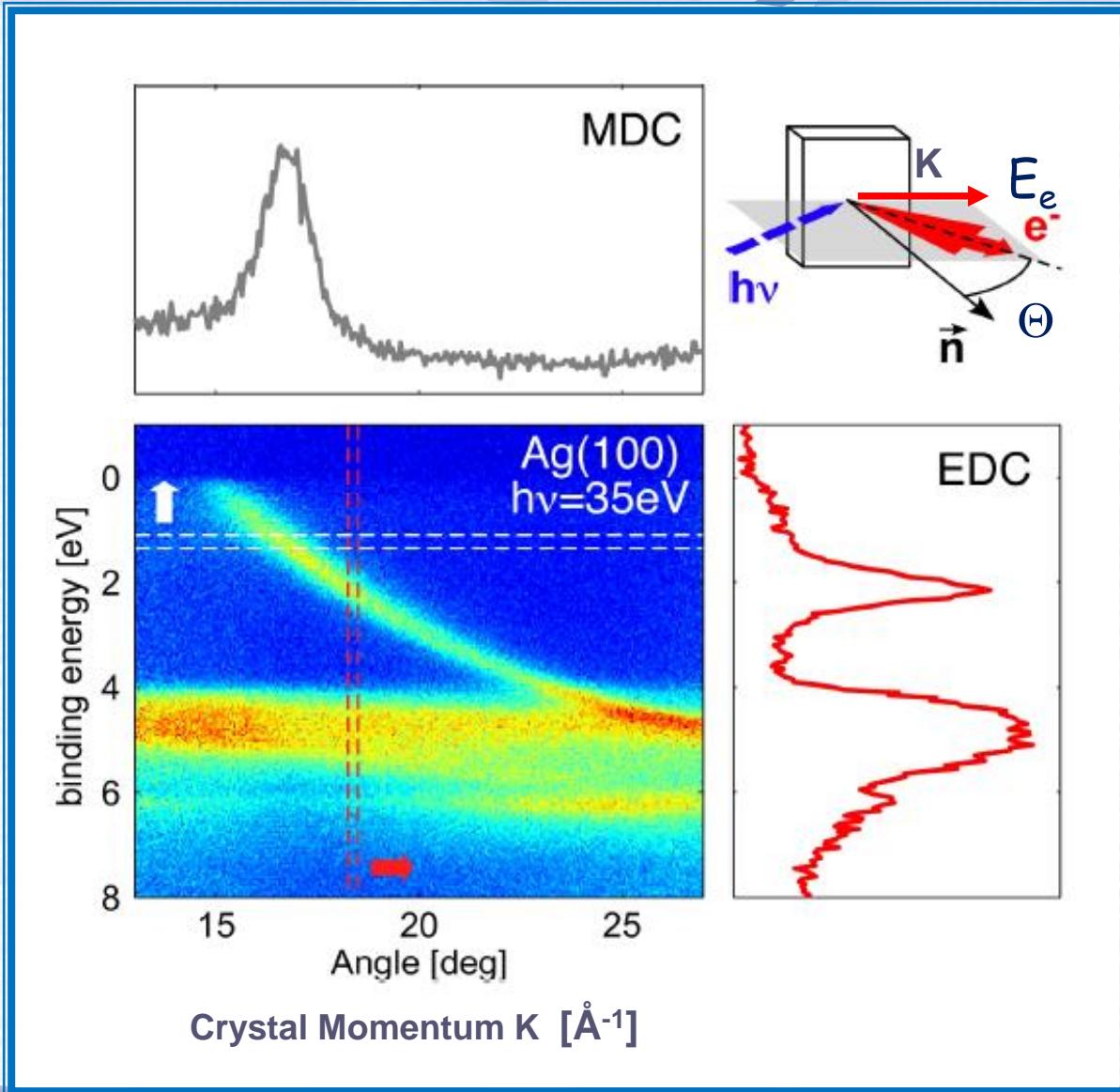
$$T(E_f, k) \cdot \delta(K_i^{/\!/} - K_f^{/\!/} + G^{/\!/}) \cdot \delta(E_{kin} - E_f - \Phi)$$

Step 3

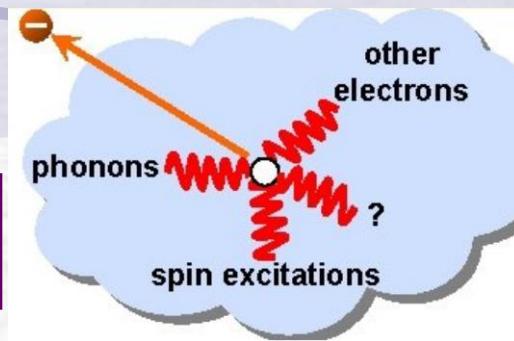
Energy & momentum conservation at surface

# Typical $J_e(E_e, \Theta)$ distribution in solids

From: Photoelectron Emission Spectroscopy  
Claus M. Schneider

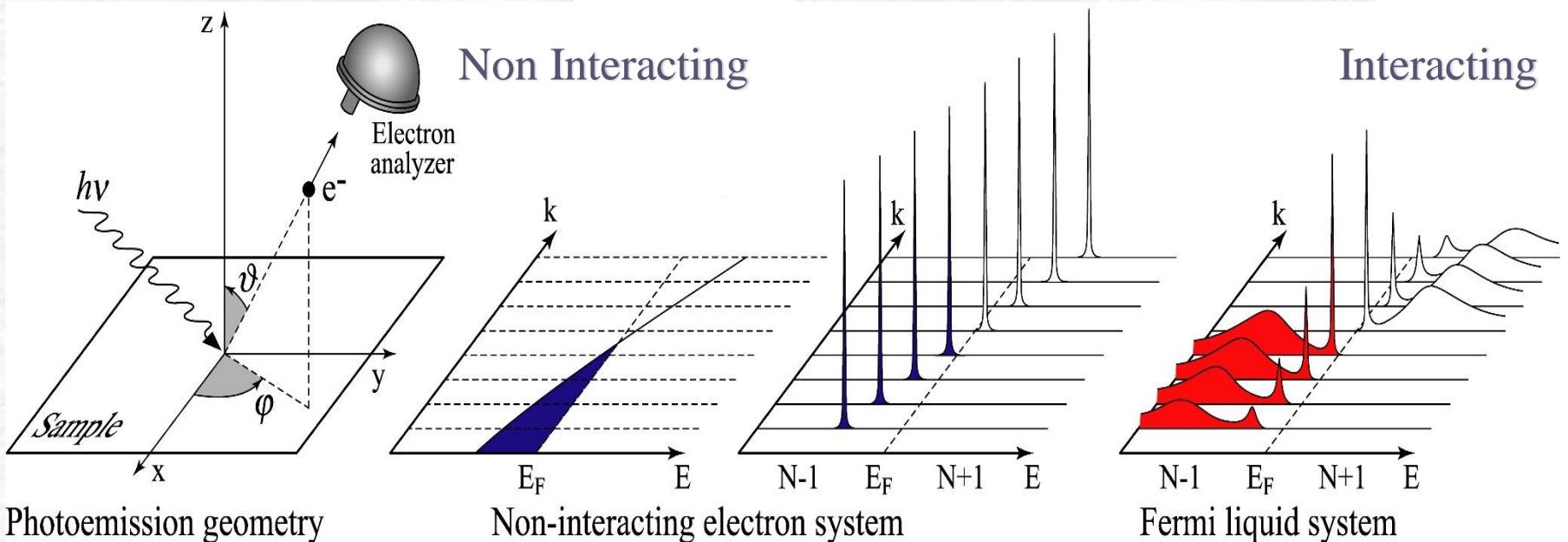


# EDC for Interacting Electrons



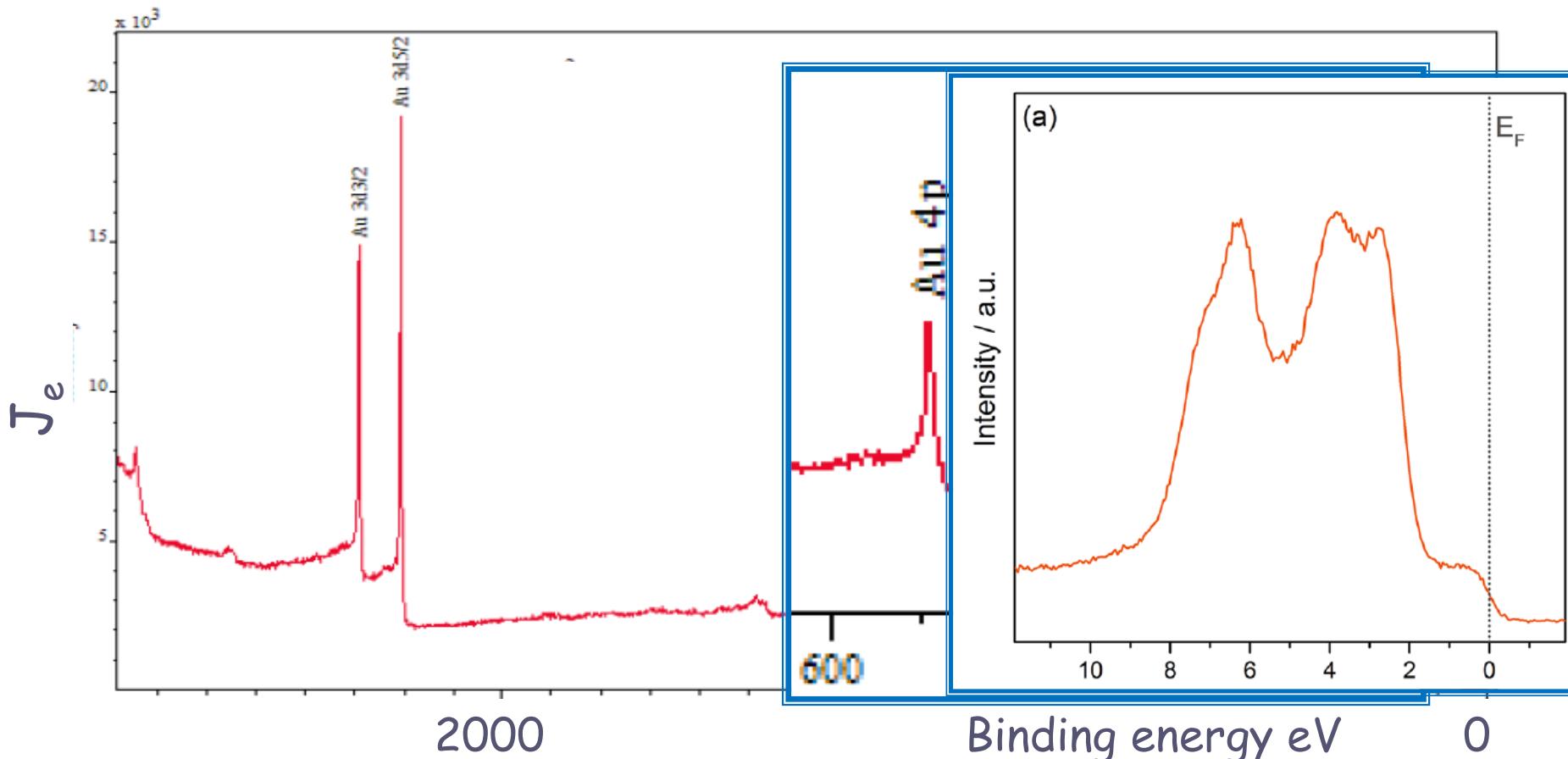
$$\Psi_{f,i}^N = \hat{A} \Psi_{f,i}^{N-1} \phi_{f,i}(\varepsilon, \vec{k})$$

$$A(\vec{k}, \varepsilon) = \left| \langle \Psi_f^{N-1} | \Psi_i^{N-1} \rangle \right|^2 \cdot \delta(\varepsilon + E_f^{N-1} - E_i^N)$$



From Kyle Shen Stanford University «High Resolution UPS»

# It really works on solids: i.e. Au

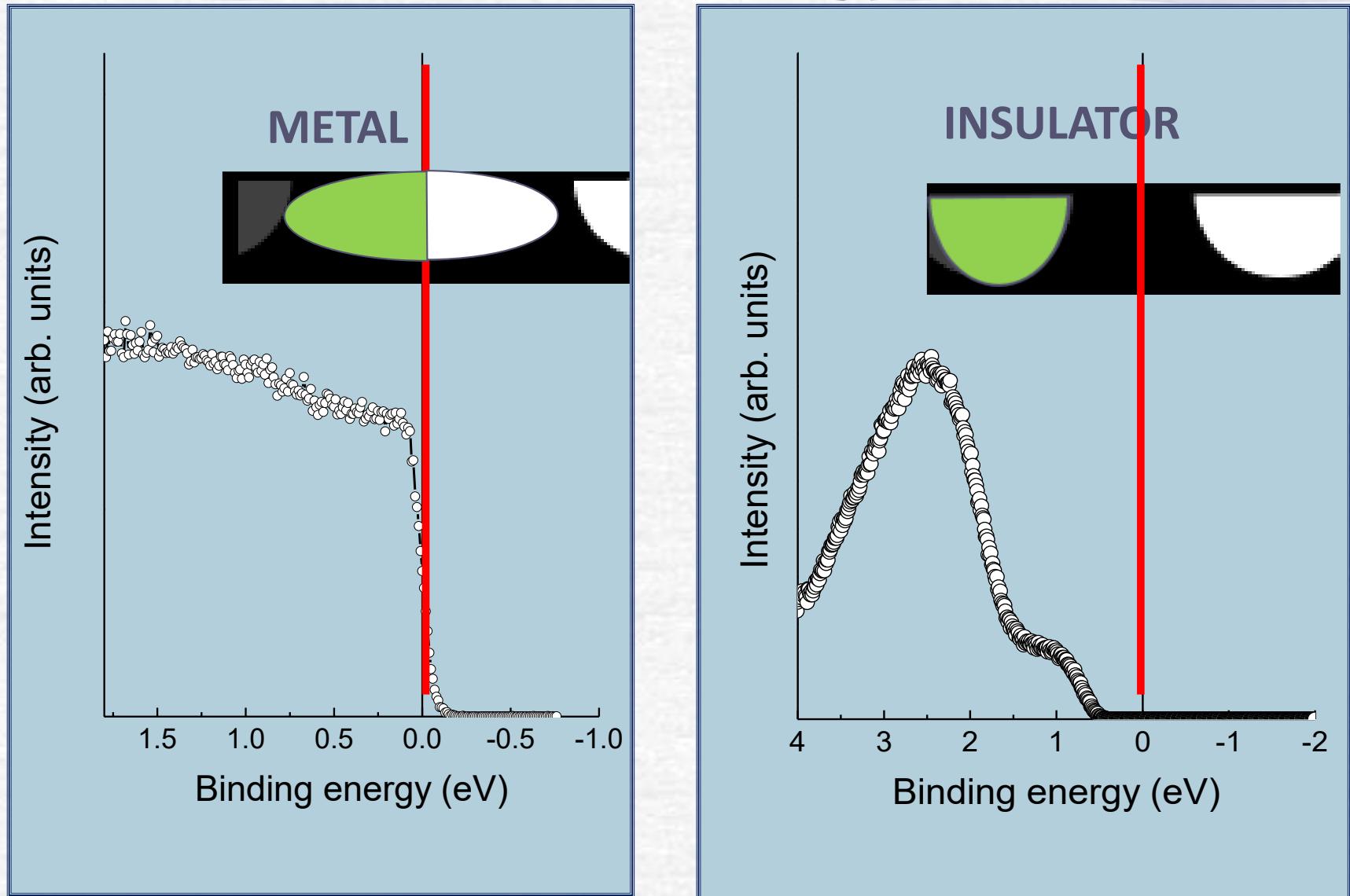


*Gold Photoelectron spectrum EDC*

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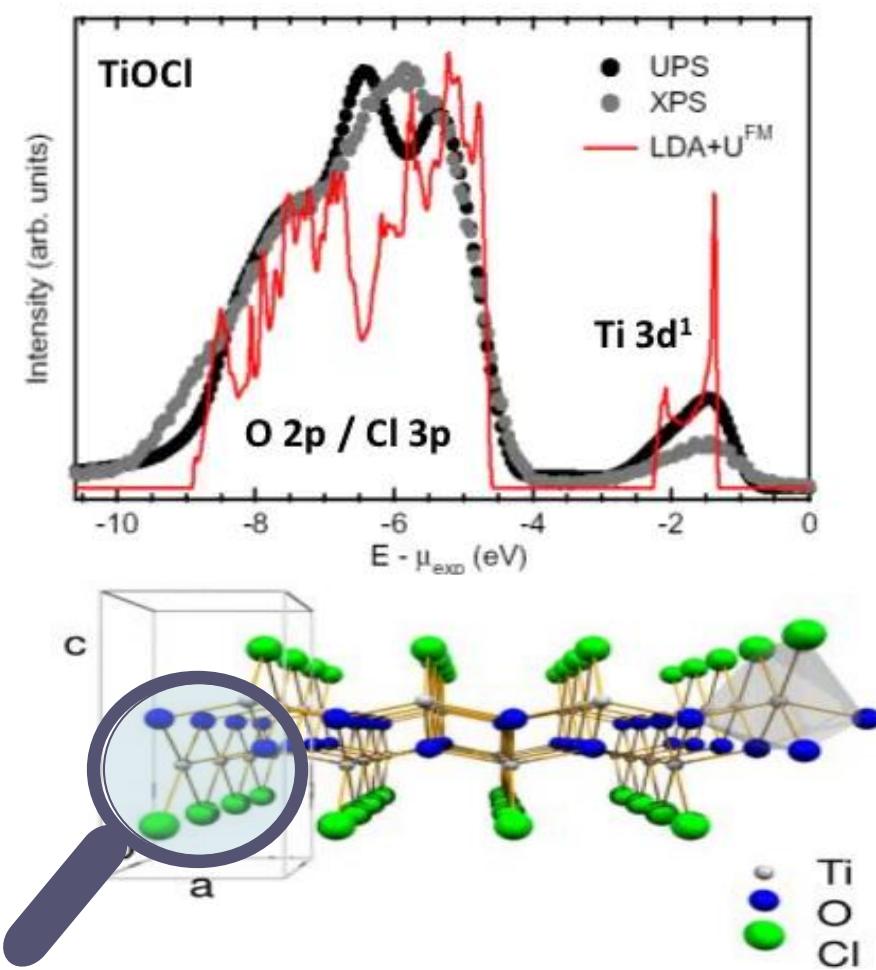
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# Photoemission spectrum at Fermi Edge

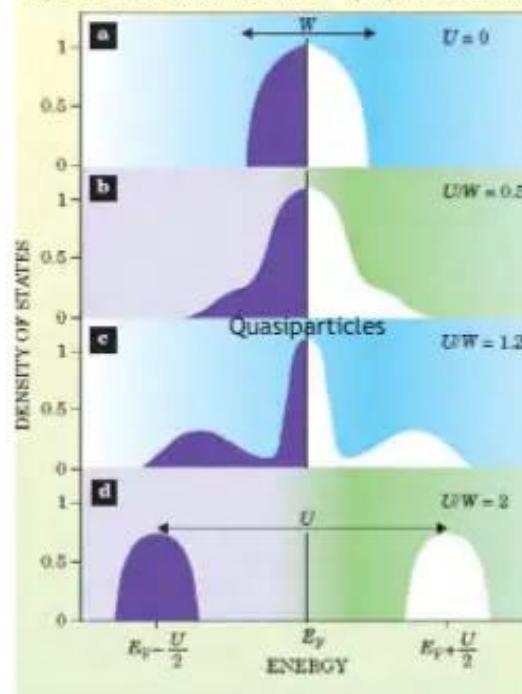


# PES of the Mott insulator TiOCl: e-e correlation

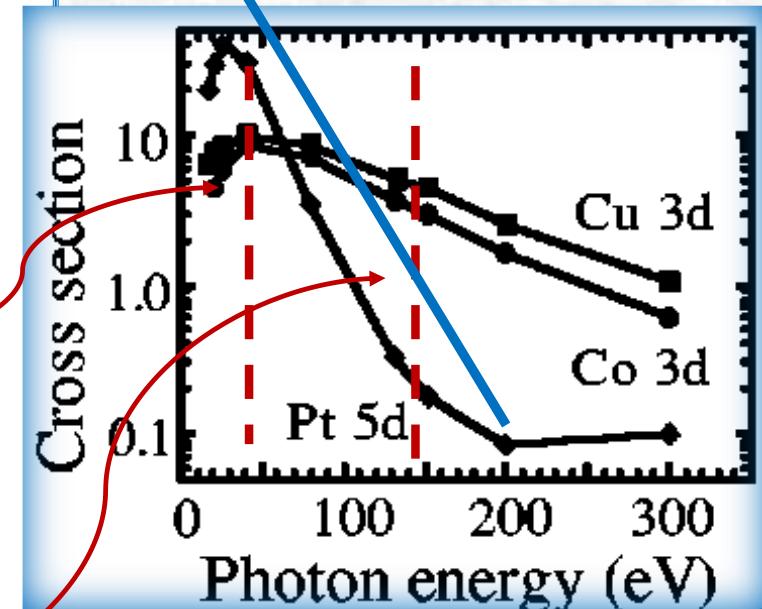
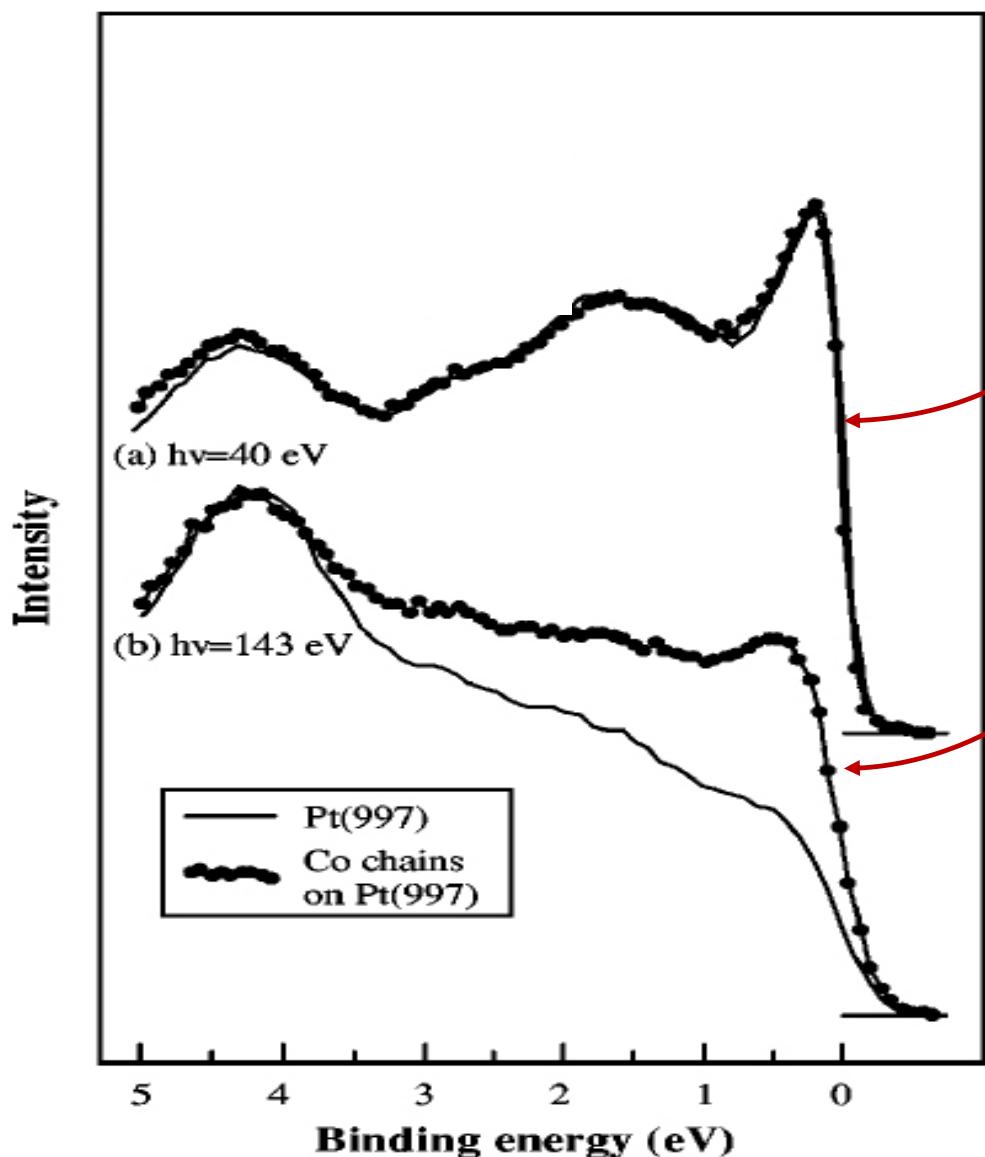
M. Hoinkis et al. PHYSICAL REVIEW B 72, 125127 2005



spectral function  $A^<(\omega)$  (DMFT)



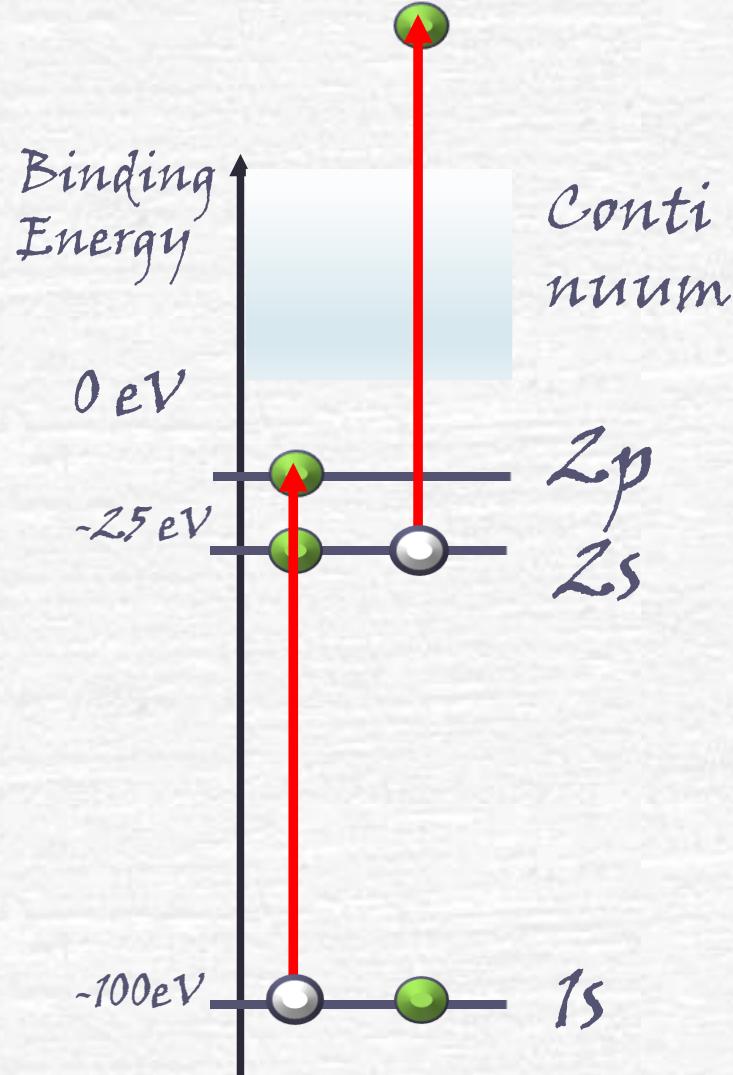
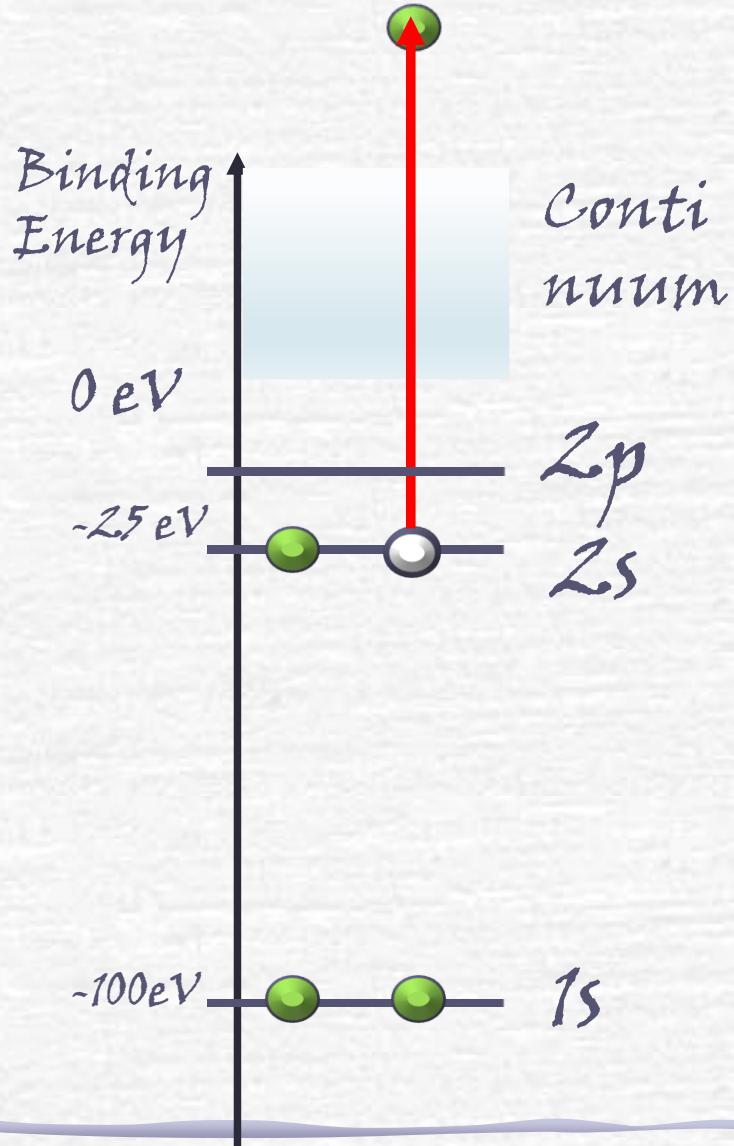
# Valence band Energy Distribution Curves at Cooper minimum



Valence Band EDCs of the **clean Pt(997)** surface (thin lines) and of **Co-nanowires** grown on Pt(997) (dots and thick lines), taken at different photon energies

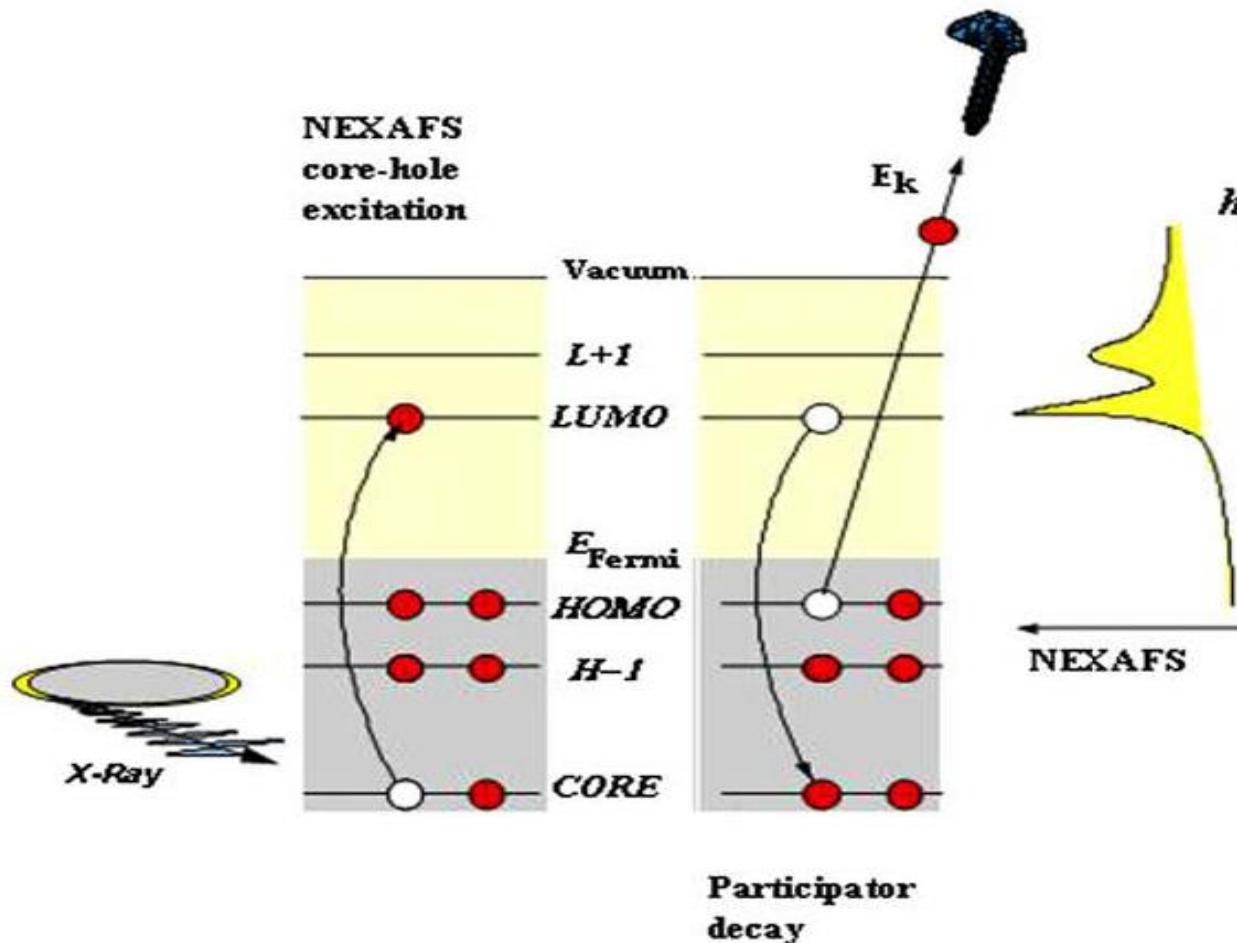
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# Direct and Resonant Photoemission

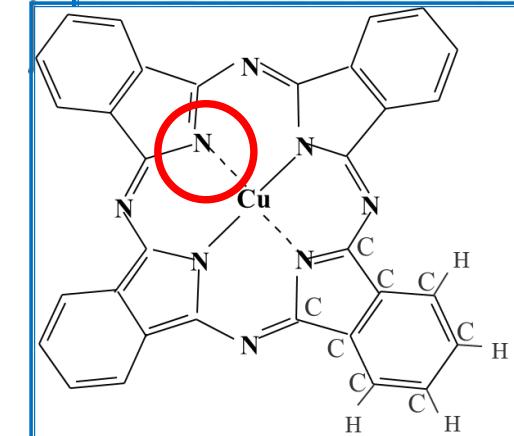


# Resonant photoelectron EDC: CuPc/Au(100)

Vilmercati et al. Surface Science 603 (2009) 1542-1556

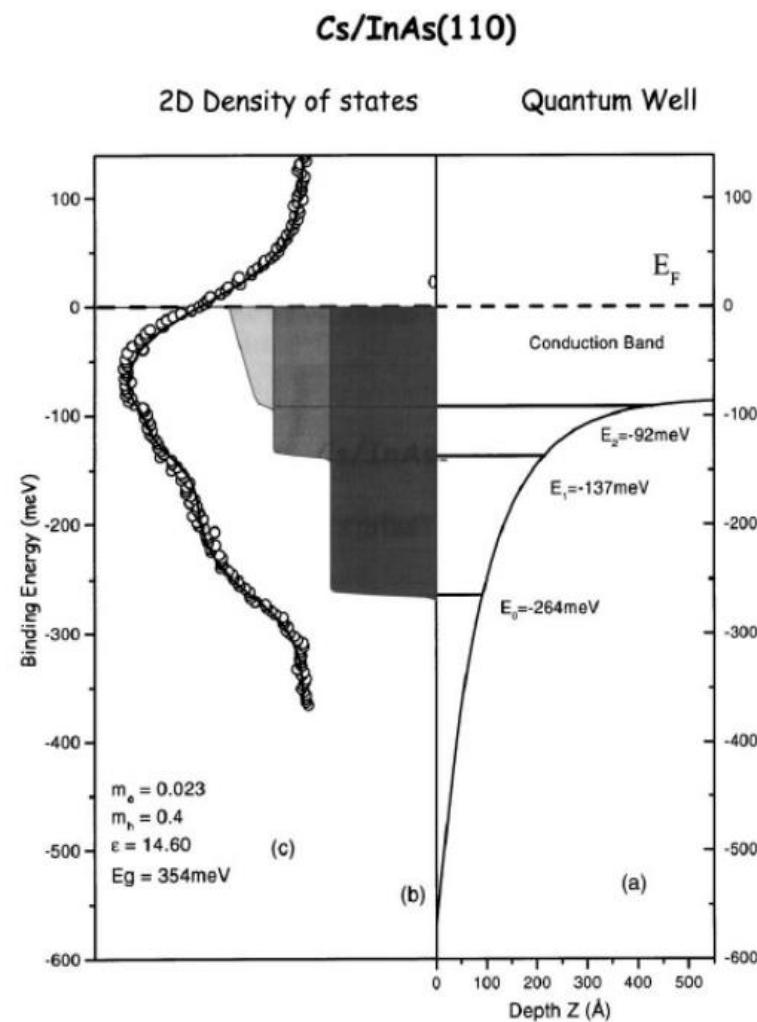
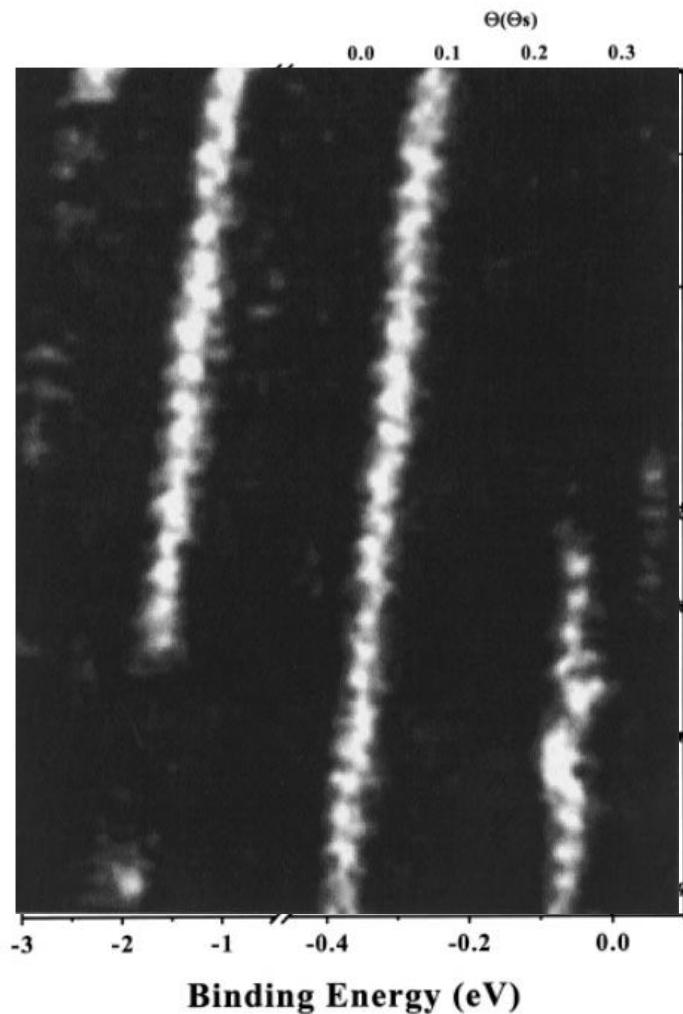


Valence Band EDCs of a CuPc thin-film taken at different photon energies and X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (XAS) from the same CuPc across the N K-edge



# 2D electron gas spatially confined Cs/InAs(110)

Intensity (arb. units)

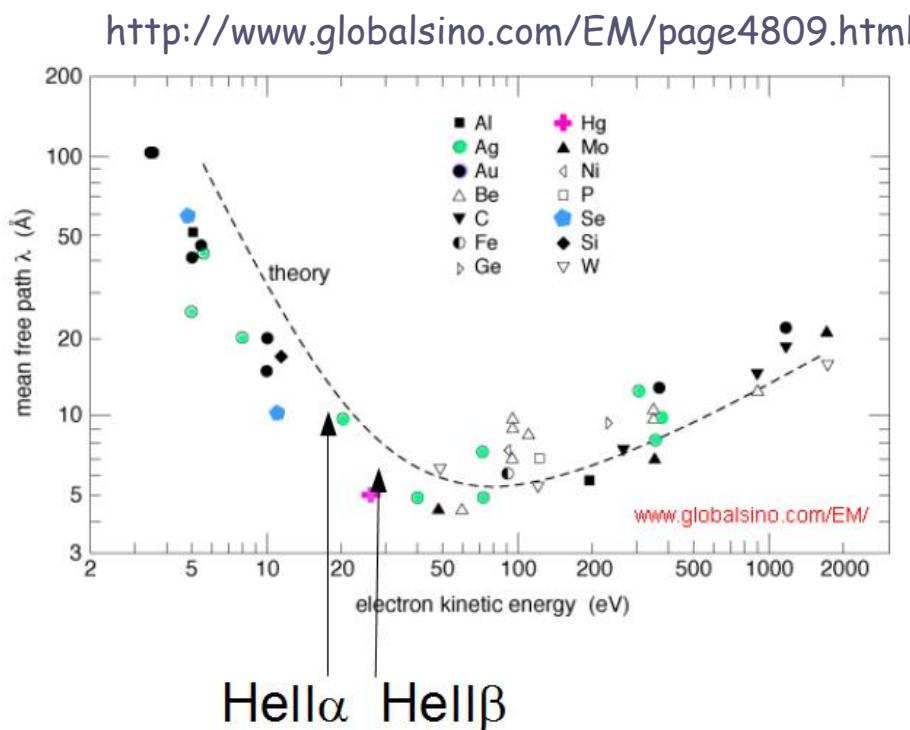
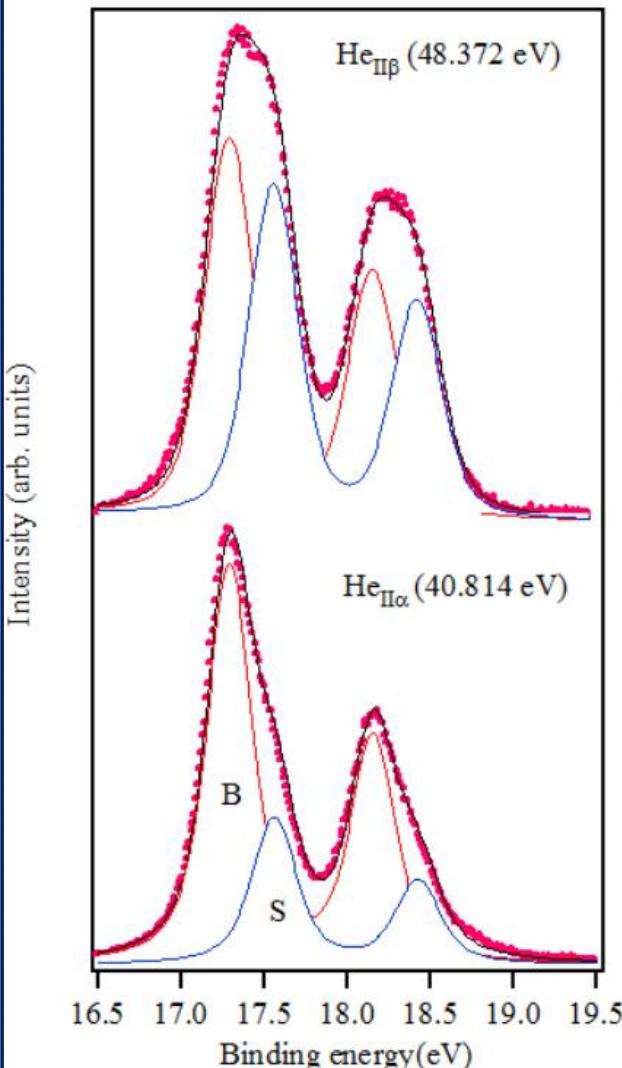


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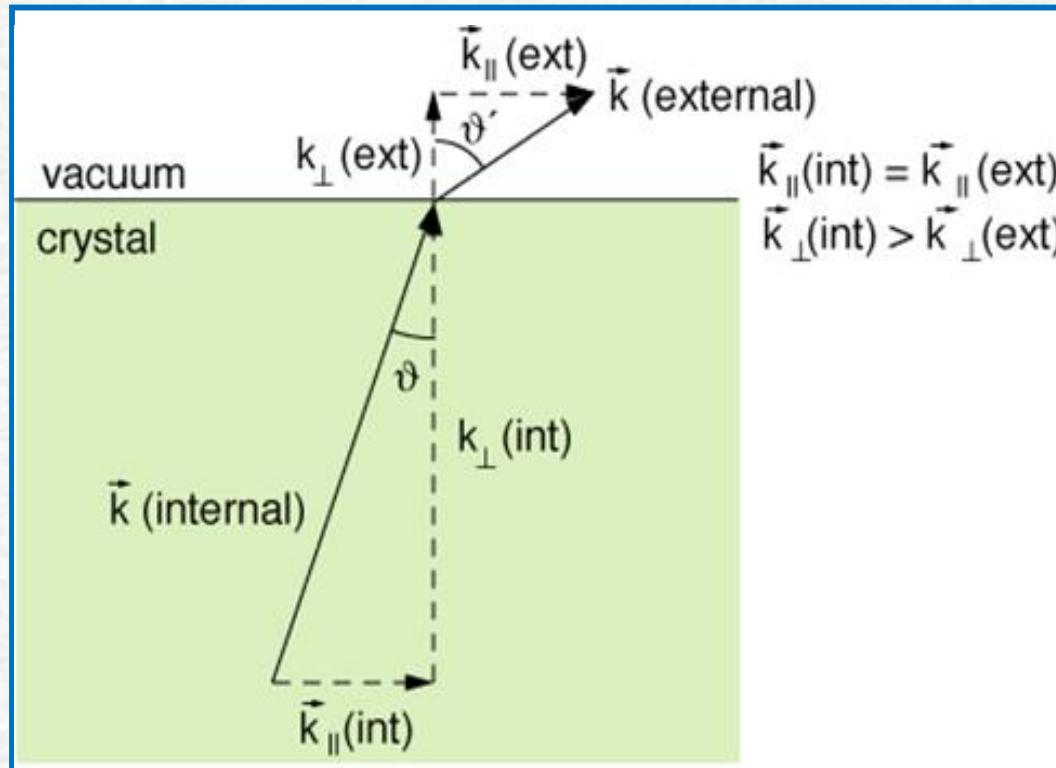
# Surface core level shift vs. mean free path In 4d

In 4d core-level



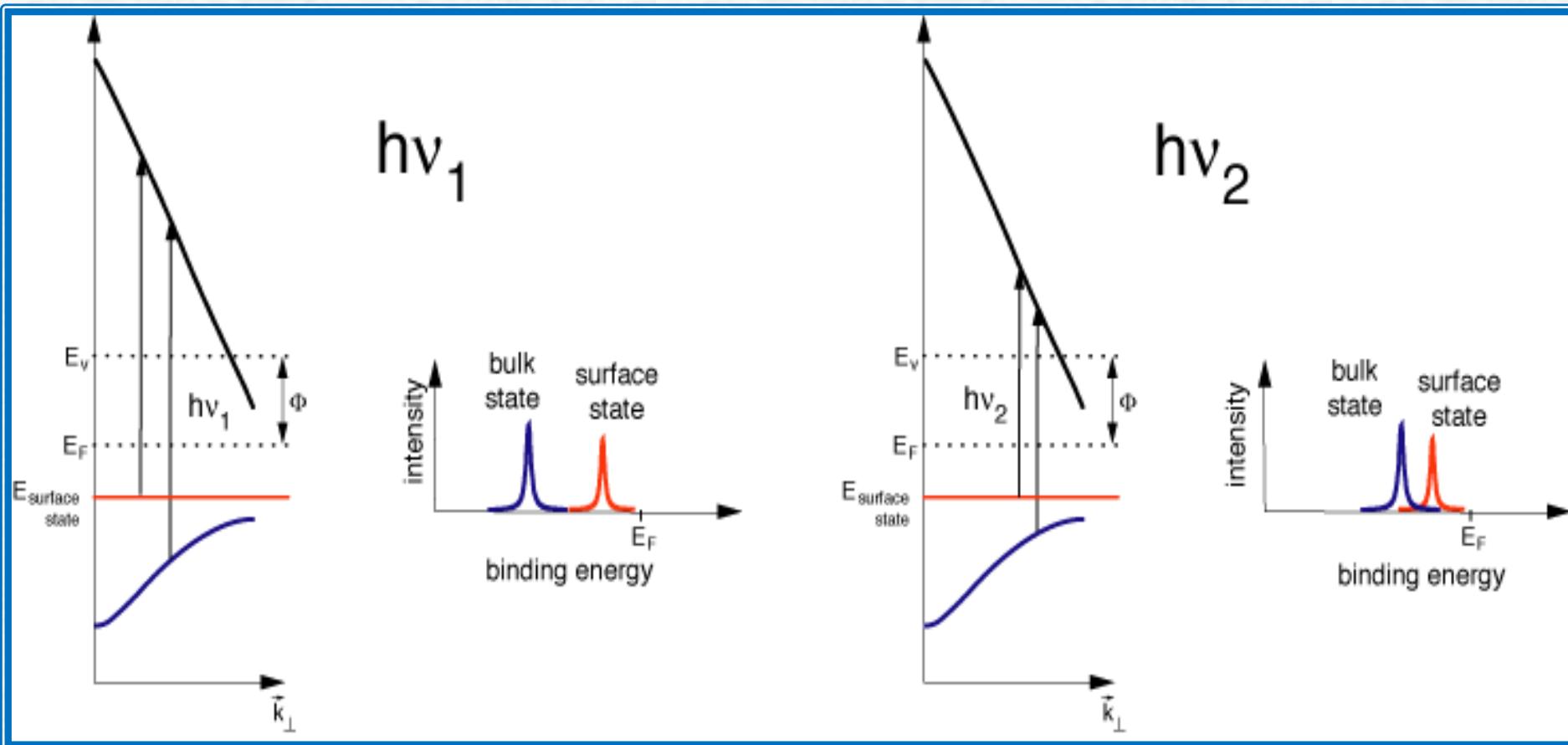
High-resolution **In-4d** core-levels at freshly cleaved **InAs(110)**, taken with  $\text{He}_{\text{II}\alpha}$  and  $\text{He}_{\text{II}\beta}$  radiation; Voigt-profiled fit with **surface** (S, blu lines) and **bulk** (B, red lines) doublet components ( $3/2, 5/2$ )

# Angular resolved photoemission



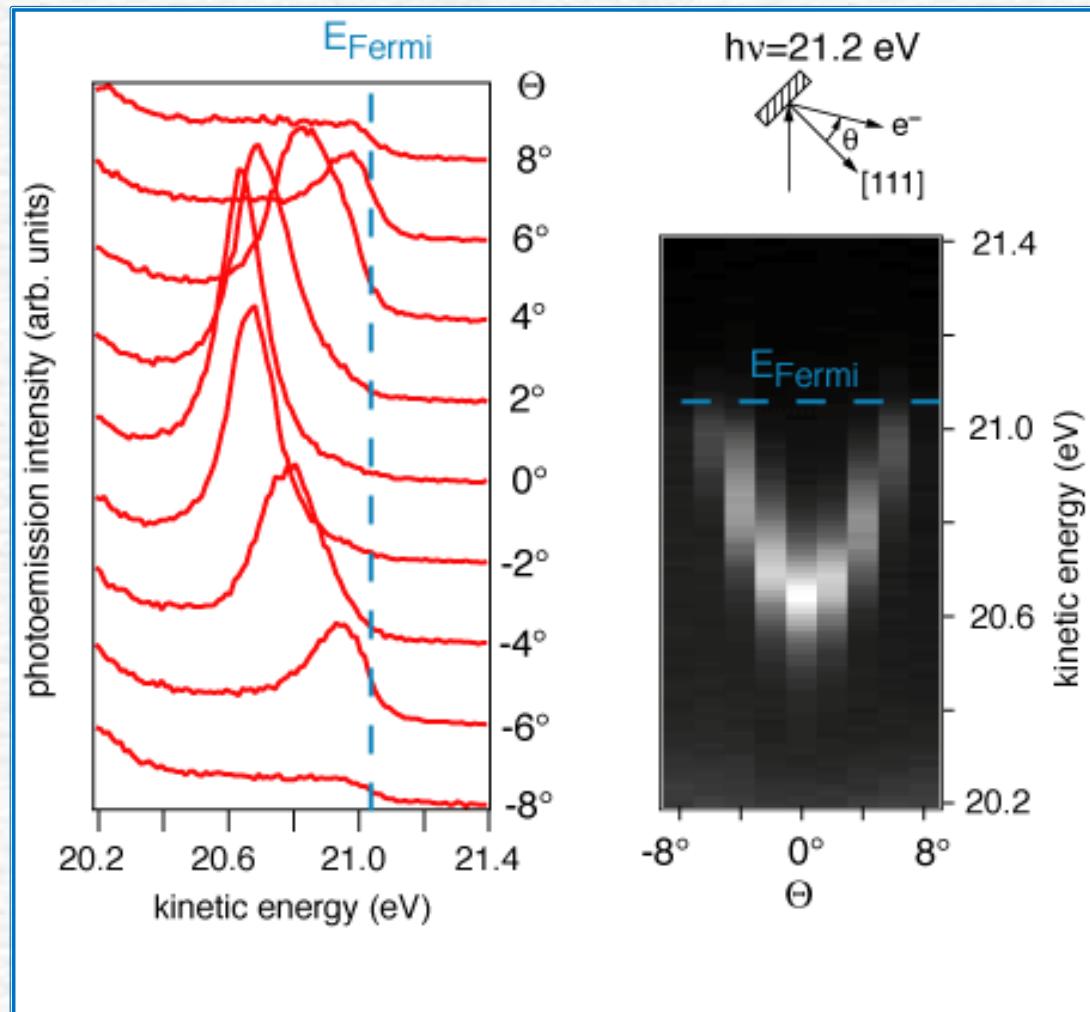
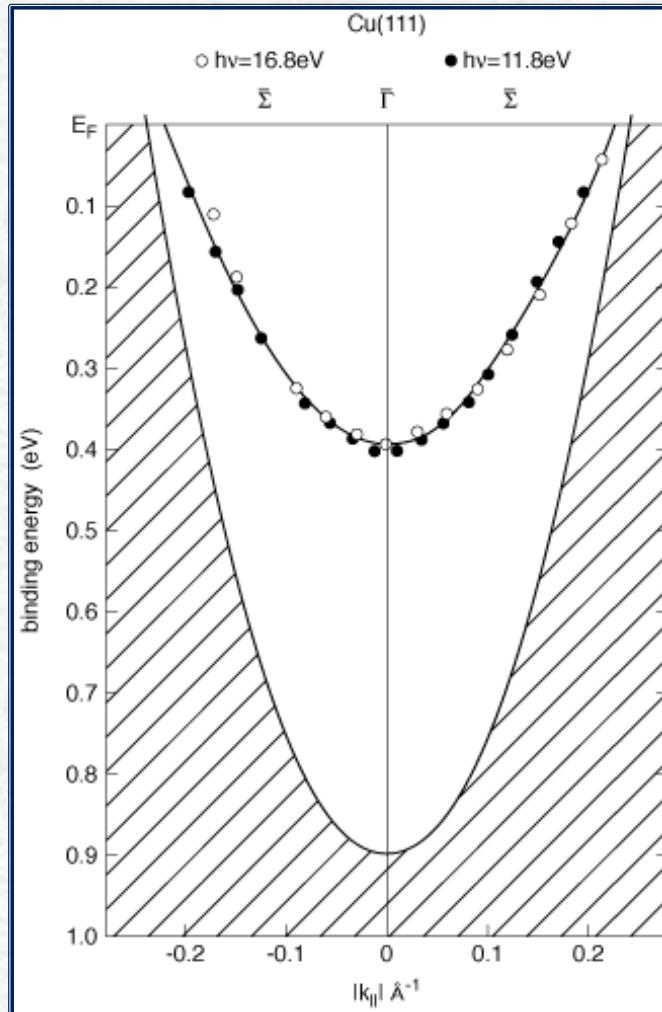
$$J_e \propto \sum_{i,f} \left\{ \left( f(E_i) [1 - f(E_f)] \right) \cdot \left| M_{i,f} \right|^2 \delta(E_f - E_i - h\nu) \cdot \delta(K_i - K_f + G) \cdot \delta(K_i^{\parallel} - K_f^{\parallel} + G^{\parallel}) \right\}$$

# Angle resolved PES: $K, \mathcal{E}$



graphs from Ph. Hoffmann

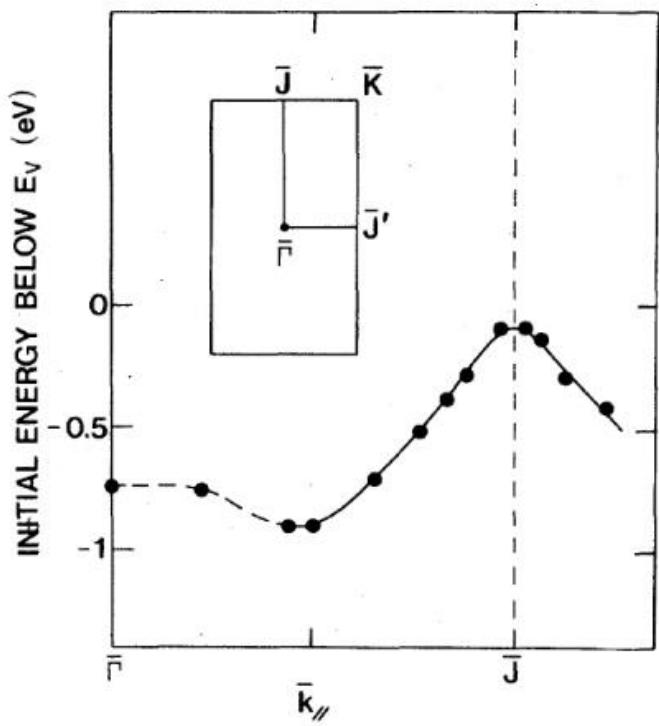
# Electronic surface states at Cu(111)



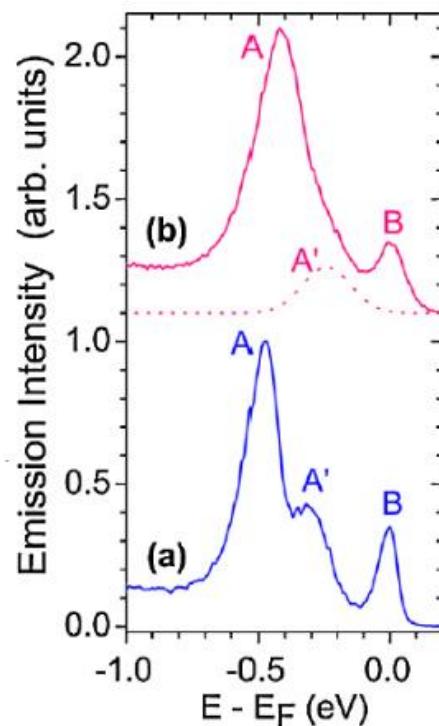
*quasi-free electron surface state on Cu(111),  
Shockley state, s-like*

S.D. Kevan, Phys. Rev. Lett. 50, 526 (1983).

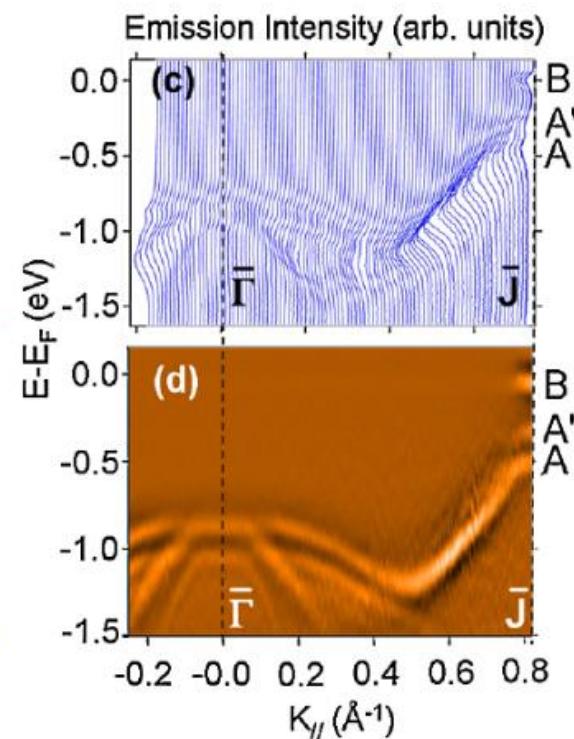
# Dangling bonds Si(111)-(2x1)



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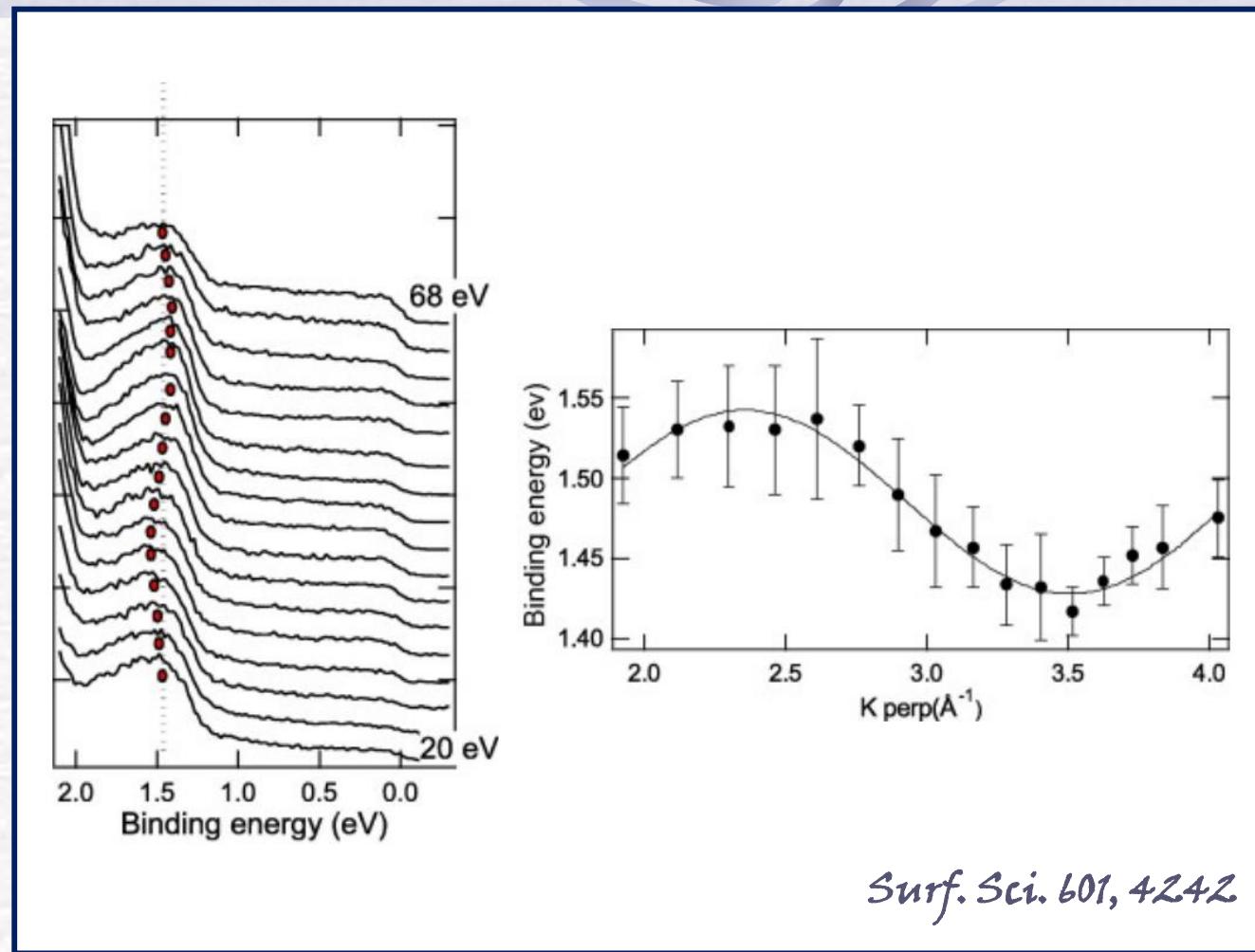


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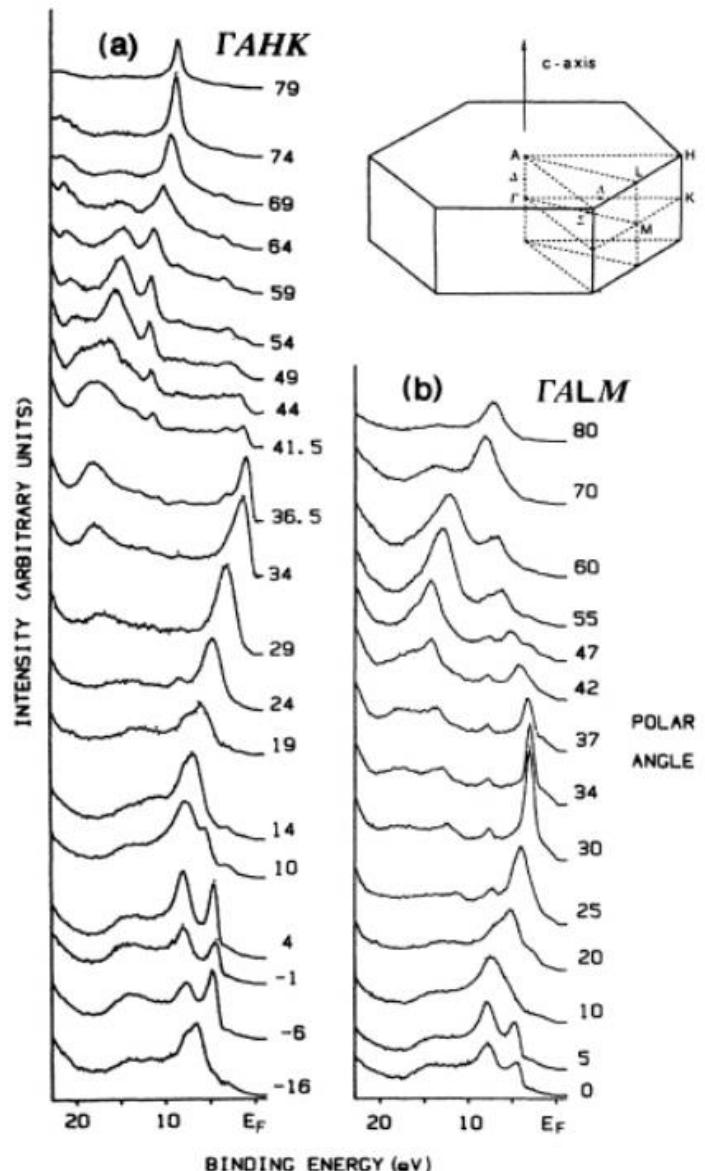


Dangling-bond surface state dispersion at the Si(111)-(2x1) reconstructed surface along the  $GJ$  direction of the Surface Brillouin Zone (SBZ). One of the first experimental ARPES dangling-bond dispersion (left panel); recent high-resolution ARPES dangling-bond dispersion.

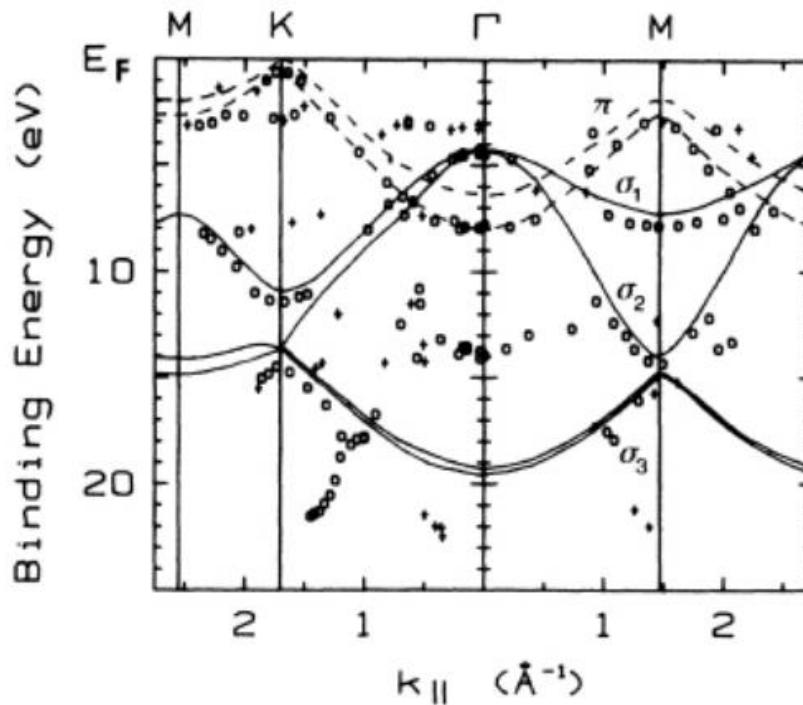
# Pentacene on Cu(119): HOMO( $\varepsilon$ ,K) dispersion



2-nm thick **pentacene** film grown on Cu(119). ARPES selection of spectra taken at **normal emission** and varying the photon energy (left); highest-occupied molecular-orbital (**HOMO**) band dispersion along  $k_{\perp}$  (right). E. Annese et al. Surf. Sci. 601 (2007) 4242



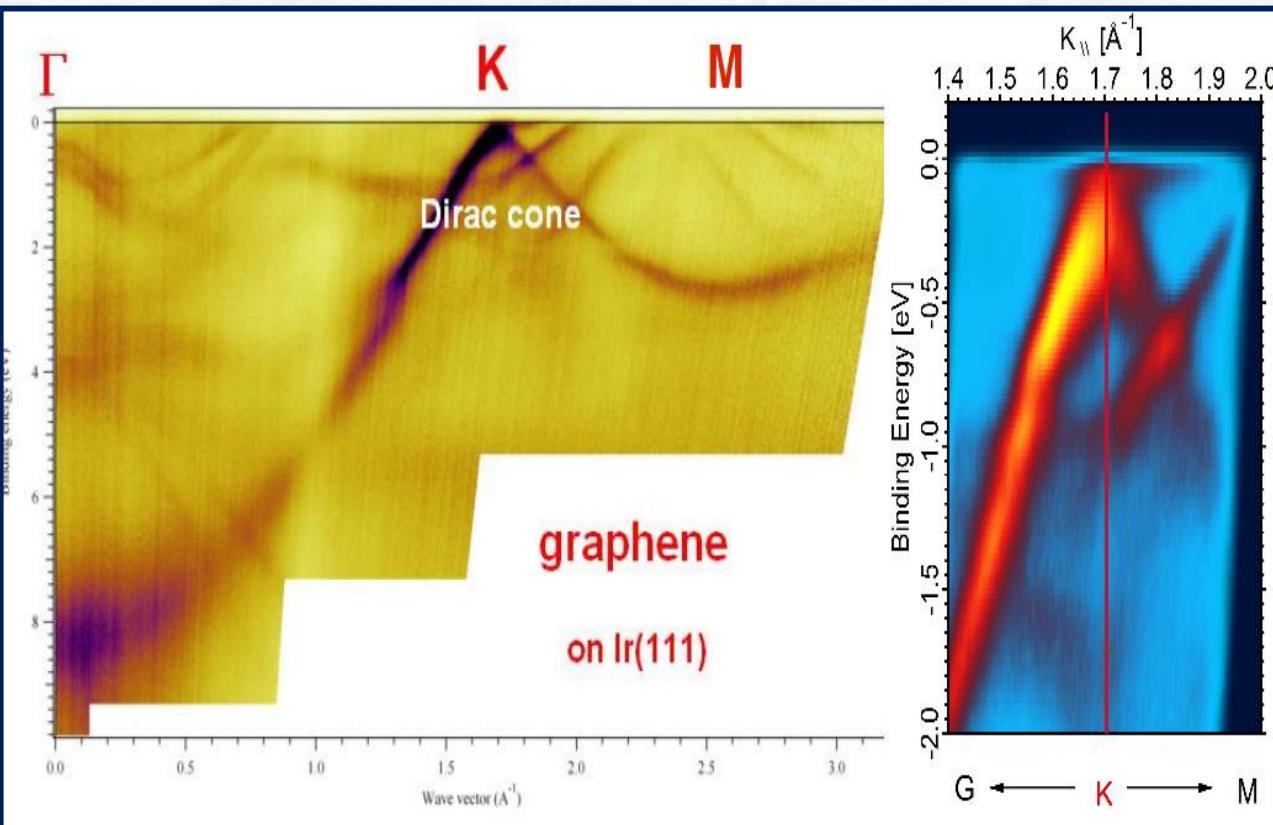
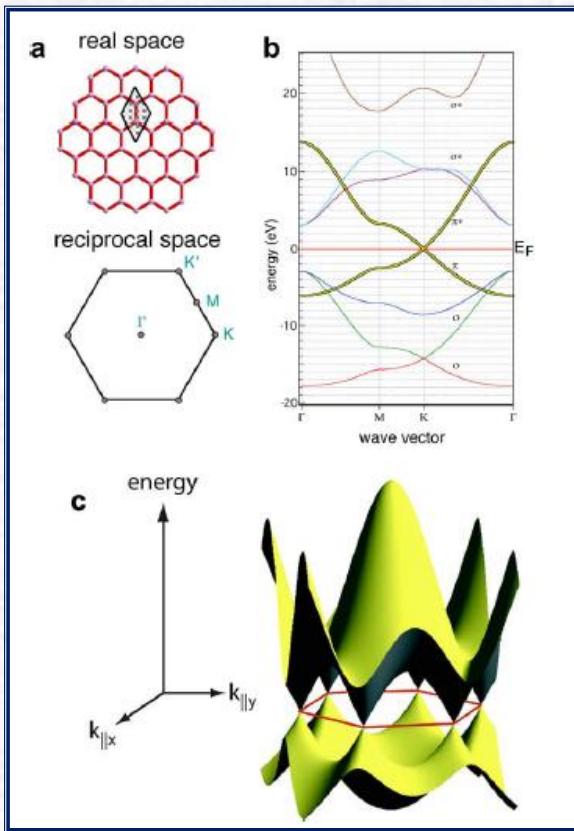
## ARPES graphite (HOPG)



Valence band of graphite (HOPG), stacking of the ARPES spectra as a function of **polar angle** (left) and experimental band structure (right).

A. R. Law et al. Phys Rev B 34 (1986) 4289

# Graphene band structure

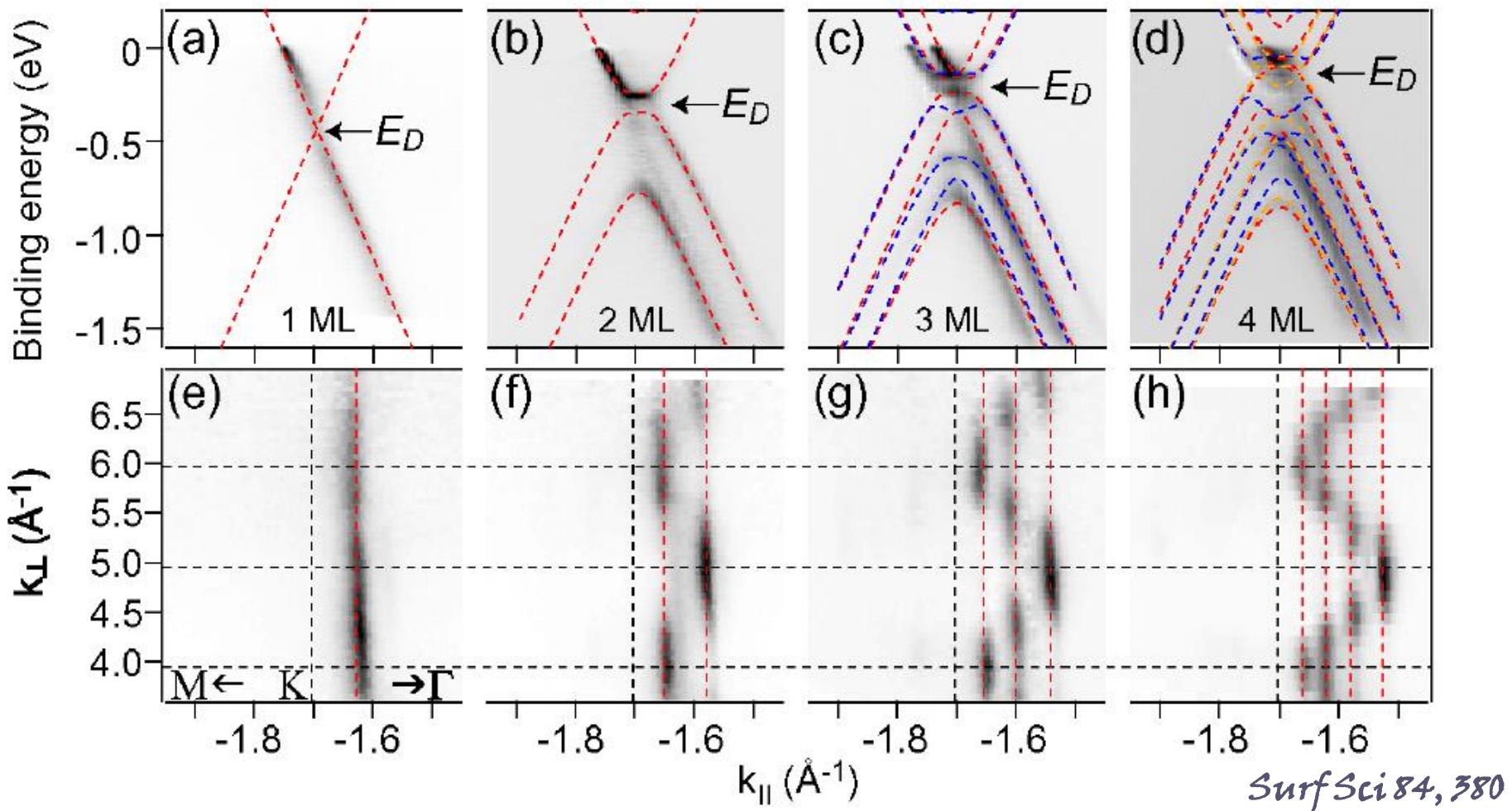


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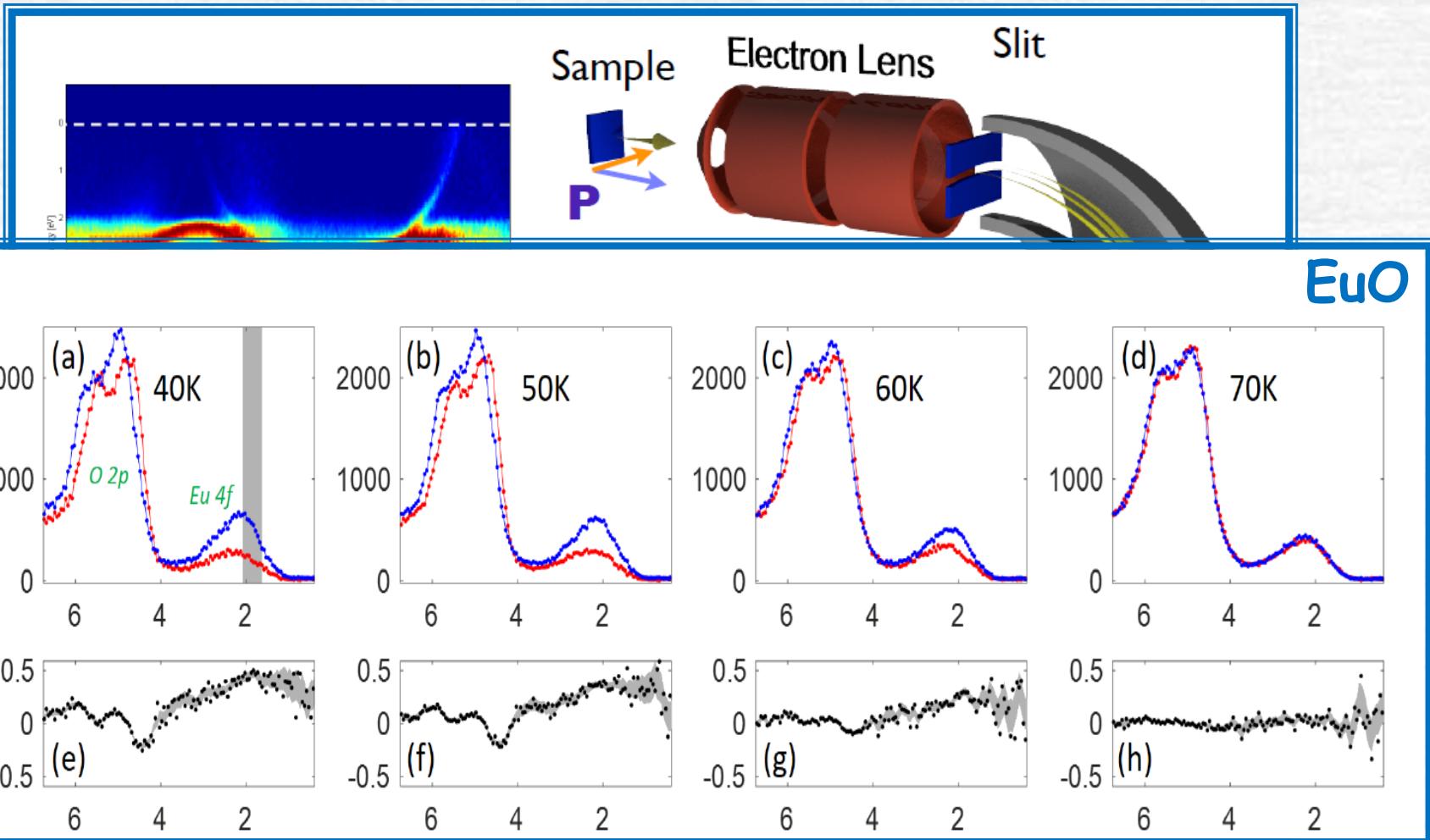
Graphene band structure along **GKM** and zoom of the Dirac cone around the **K** point of the SBZ. ARPES data taken with high-resolution ARPES and a He discharge source

# Band formation in graphene multilayers



Formation of graphene electronic band from 1-layer (extreme left) to 4-layer (extreme right)  
Ohta et al. Phys Rev. Lett. 98 (2007) 206802.

# Spin Resolved Photoelectron Spectroscopy: EuO



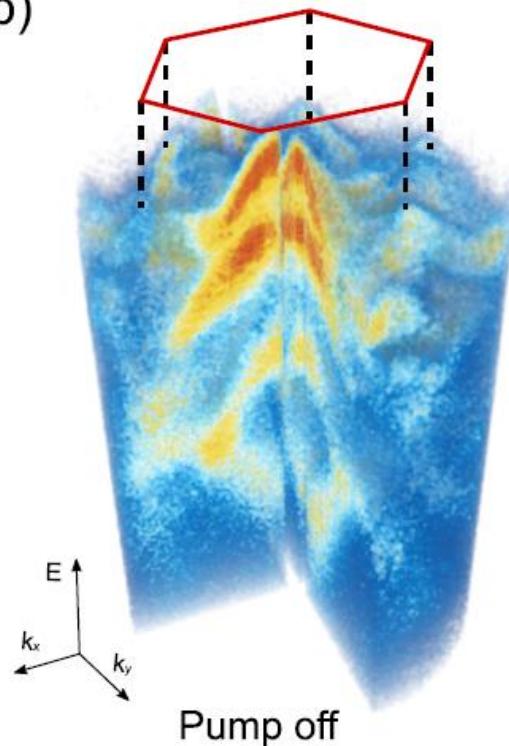
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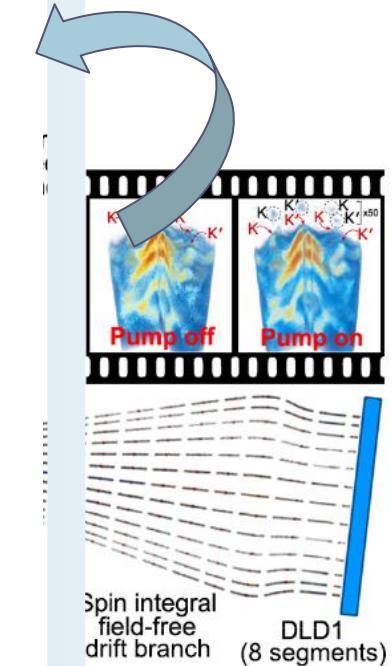
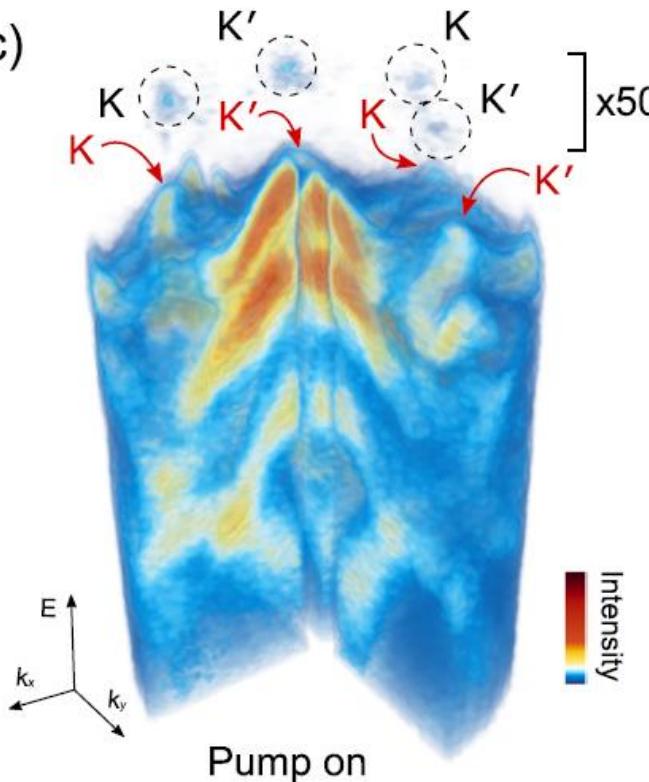
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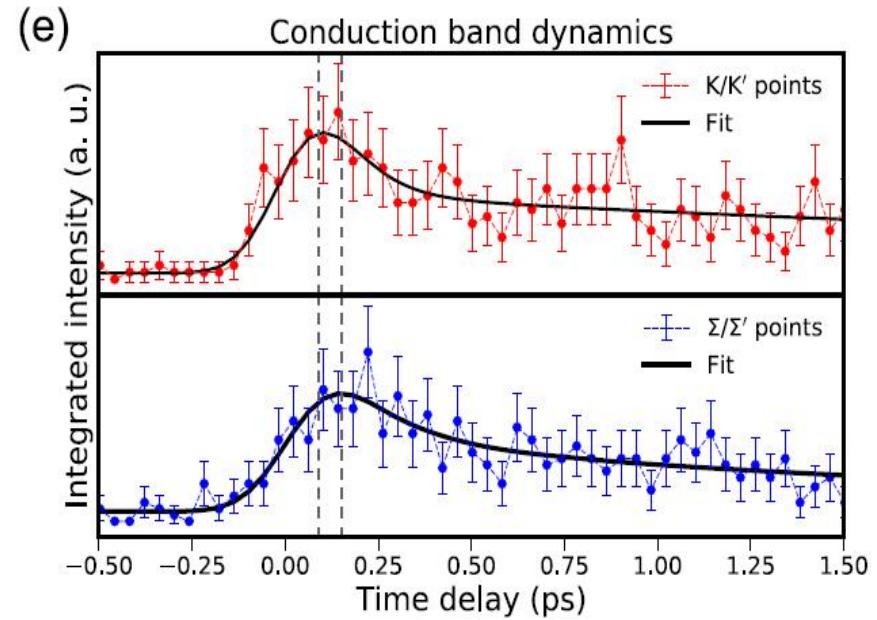
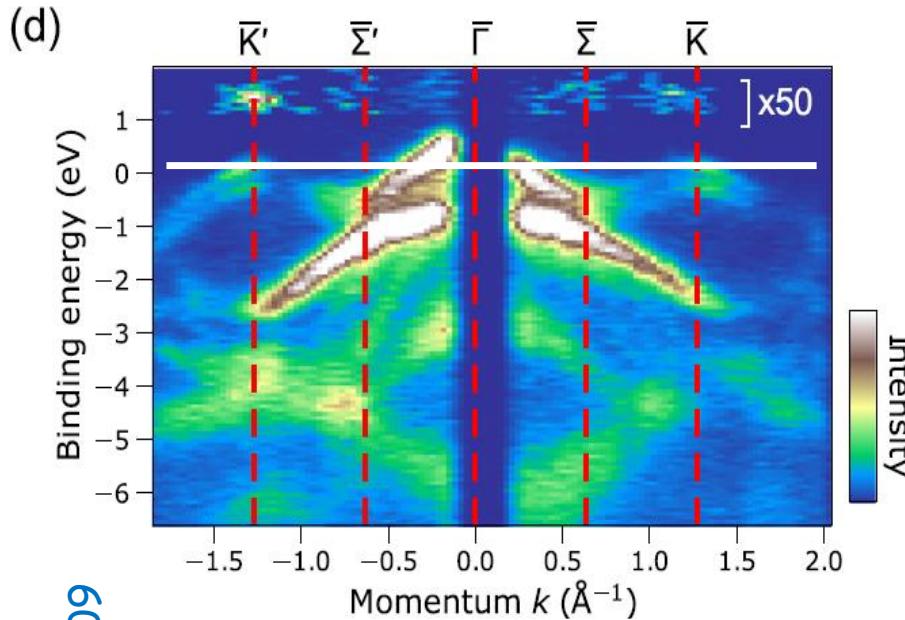


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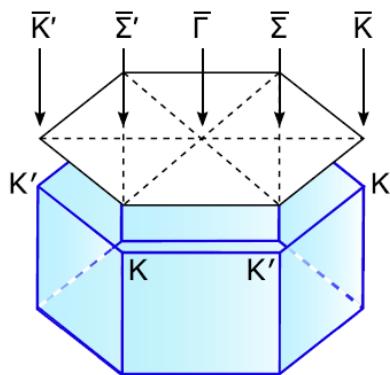


Simplified overview of the FLASH time-resolved momentum microscopy.  
It acquire band-mapping movies

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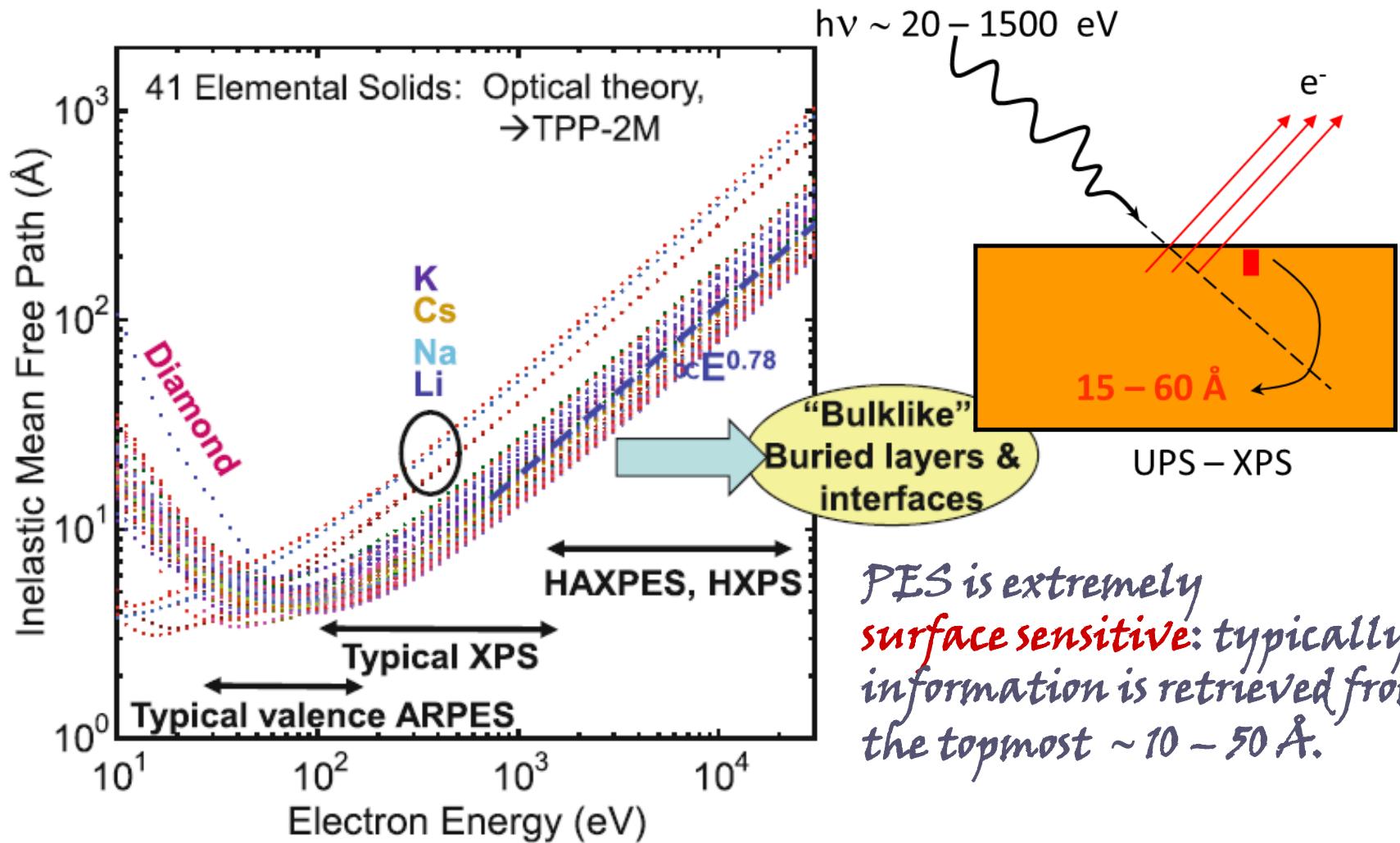


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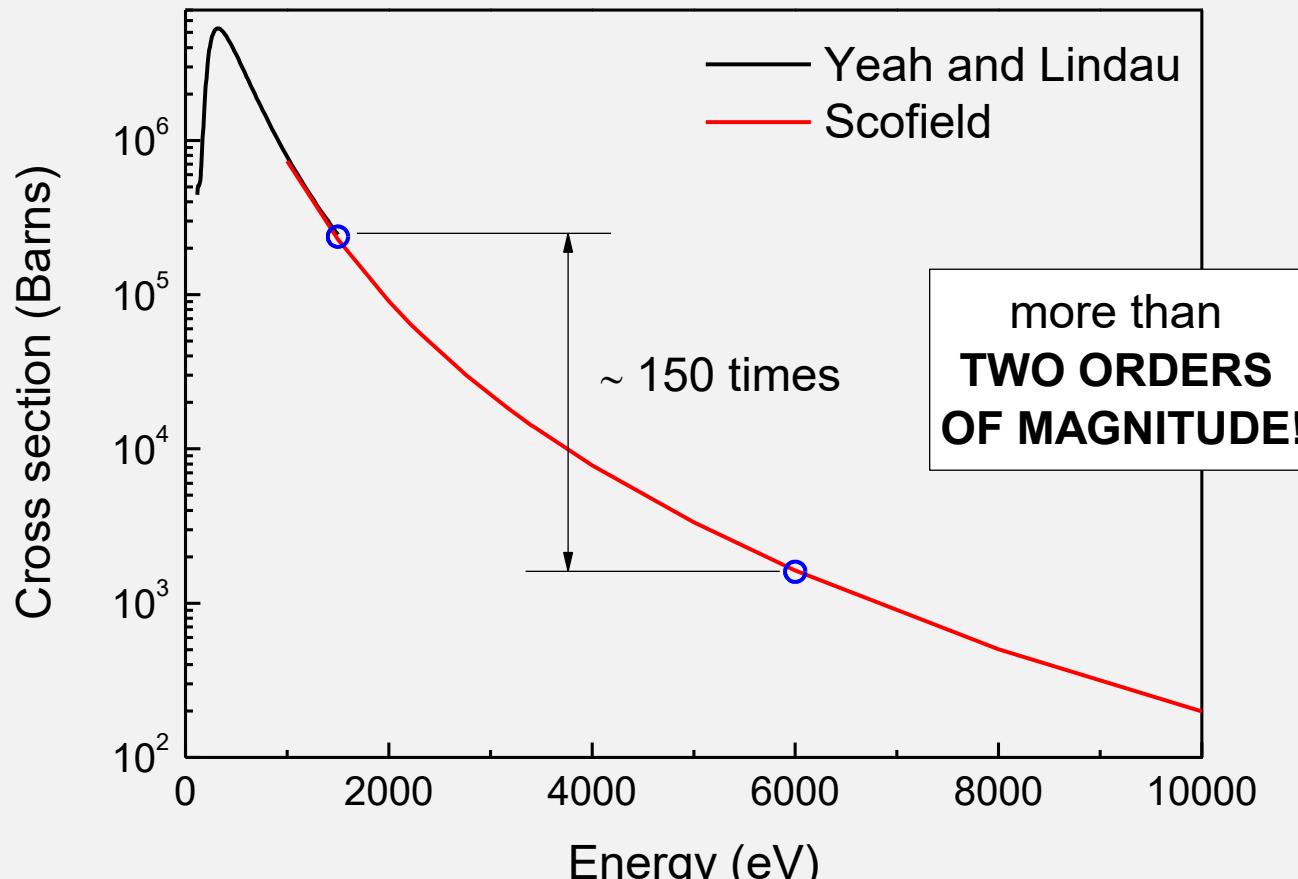
- Momentum path sampled through the  $K'-\Gamma-K$ .
- Temporal evolution of the excited state signal integrated over a region around the  $K/K'$  and  $\Sigma/\Sigma'$  points in the first conduction band.
- The signals in the conduction band  $K/K'$  and  $\Sigma/\Sigma'$  valleys reach their respective maxima with a delay of  $\sim 60$  fs.

# Why Hard X-ray PES (HAXPES) ?



C.S. Fadley in: J.C. Woicik ed., «Hard X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (HAXPES), Springer series in Surface Science

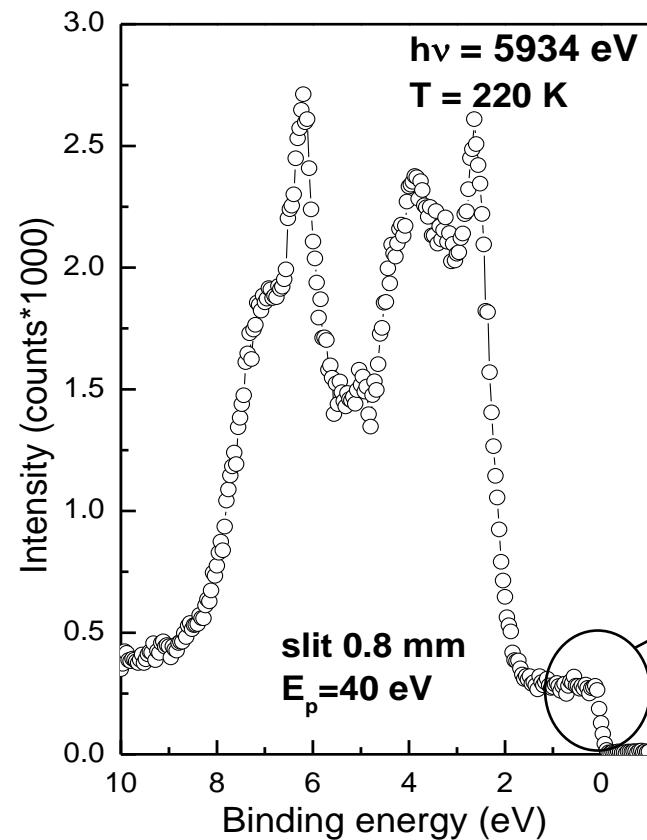
# Main difficulty with HAXPES



J. J. Yeh and I. Lindau, At. Data Nucl. Data Tables **32**, 1 (1985)  
J. H. Scofield, LLNL Report, UCRL-51326 (1973)

# First HAXPES on valence band EDC

Au polycrystalline

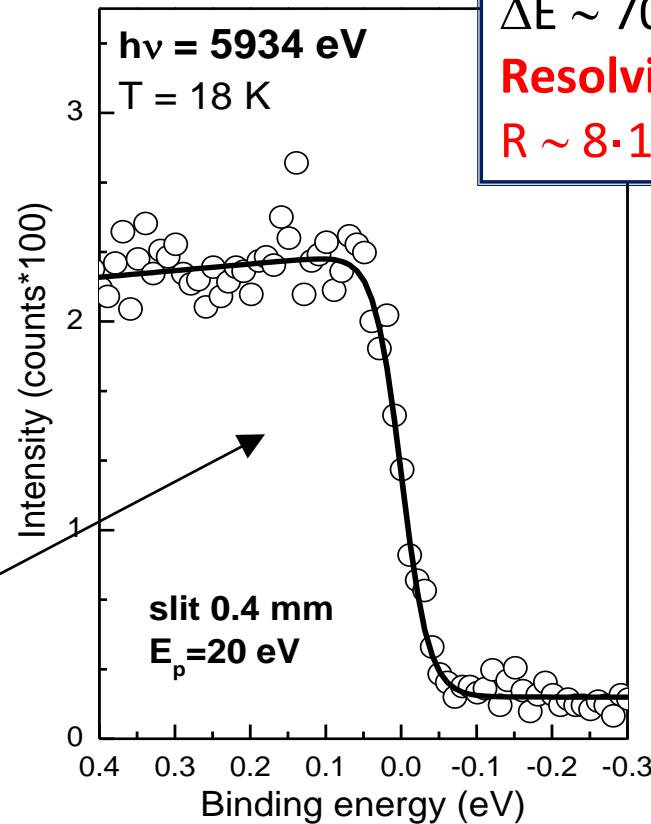


Energy resolution

$\Delta E \sim 70 \text{ meV}$

Resolving power

$R \sim 8 \cdot 10^4$

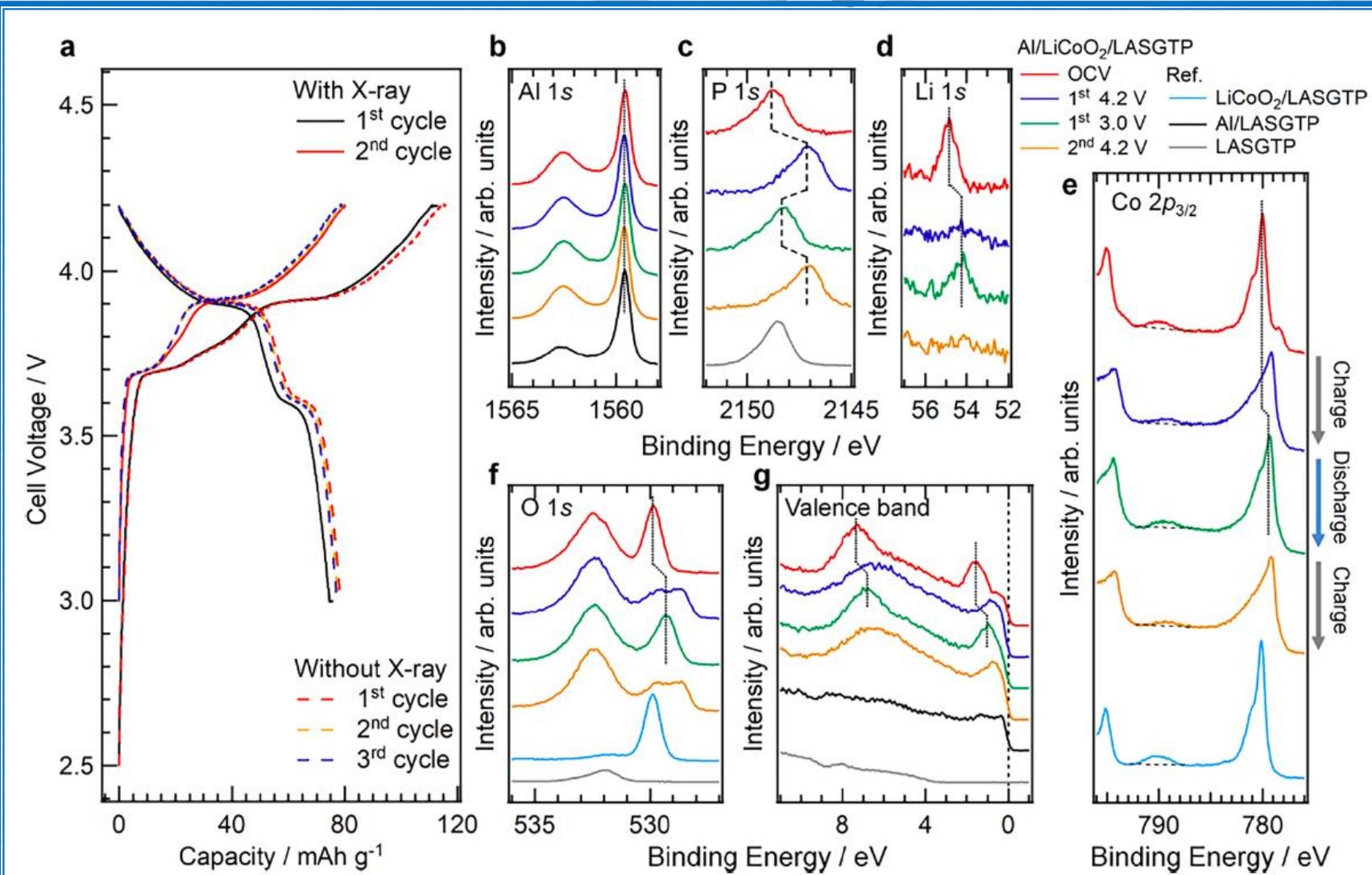


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# Operando HAXPES: $\text{LiCoO}_2$ battery electrode



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