Photoemission Semiconductors

Band structure in 1-D

Consider an electron moving in a periodic potential V(x). The period of the potential is a, V(x+a)=V(x). The Schrödinger equation for this case is,

$$-rac{\hbar^2}{2m}rac{d^2\psi}{dx^2}+V(x)\psi=E\psi.$$

Quantum mechanically, the electron moves as a wave through the potential. Due to the diffraction of these waves, there are bands of energies where the electron is allowed to propagate through the potential and bands of energies where no propagating solutions are possible. The Bloch theorem states that the propagating states have the form,

$$\psi = e^{ikx}u_k(x).$$

where k is the wavenumber and $u_k(x)$ is a periodic function with periodicity a.

The solutions to the Schrödinger equation for a 1-D periodic potential can be calculated numerically. The following form can be used to calculate the dispersion relation between E and k for any one dimensional potential. Input the periodic potential V(x) in the interval between 0 and a.

The density of states is,

$$D(E)=rac{2}{\pi}rac{dk}{dE},$$

and the group velocity is,

$$v_g = rac{1}{\hbar} rac{dE}{dk}.$$

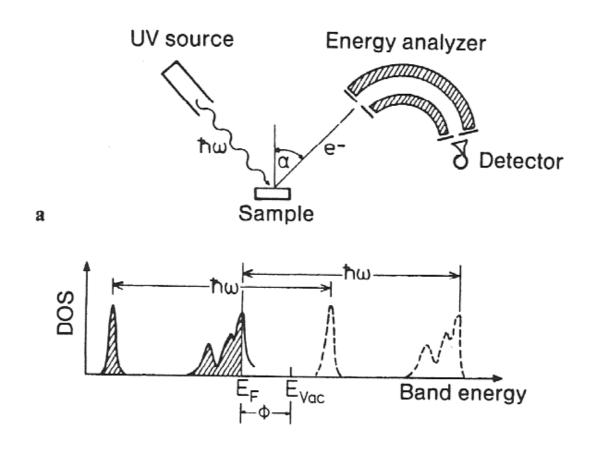
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Photoemission spectroscopy

UPS - Ultraviolet photoemission spectroscopy

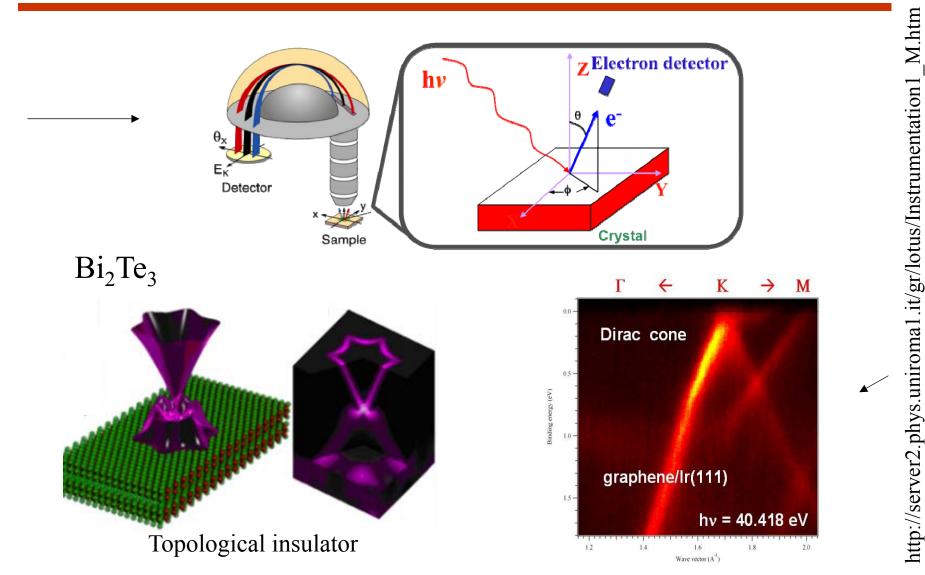
XPS - X-ray photoemission spectroscopy

Measure the density of states with photoemission spectroscopy



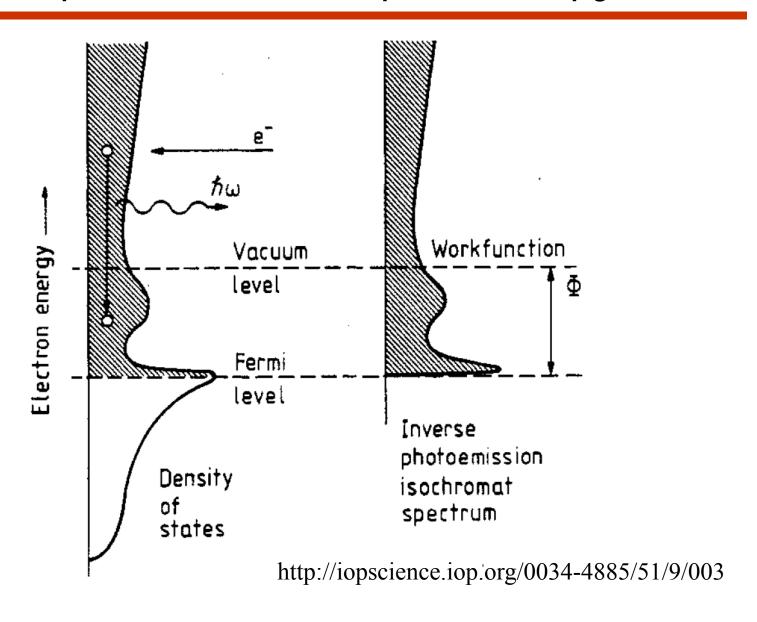
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Angle resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES)



Measure the dispersion relation with angle resolved photoemission

Inverse photoemission spectroscopy (IPES)



k-resolved Inverse Photoemission Spectroscopy (KRIPES)

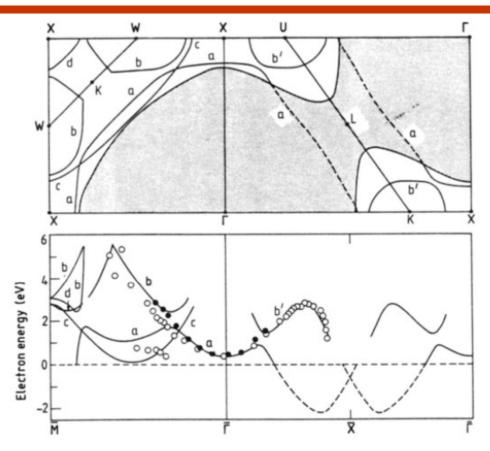
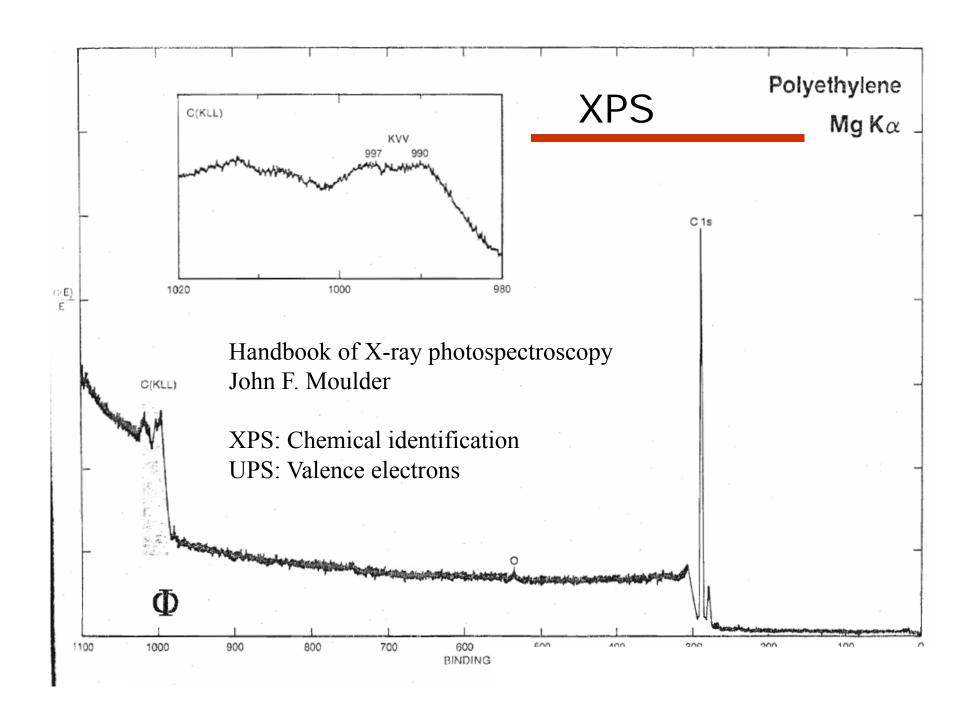
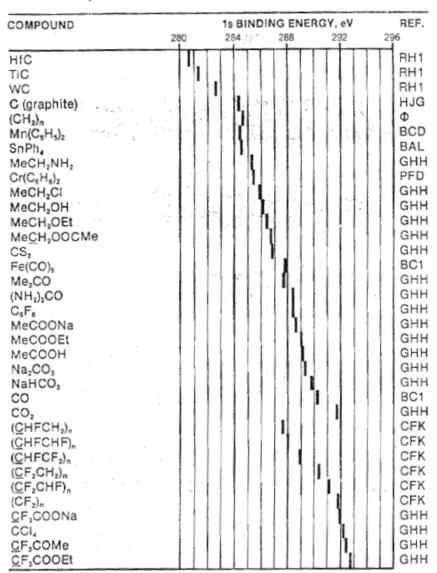


Figure 9. Band calculations and data for bulk direct transitions in the two principal azimuths $\bar{\Gamma}\bar{M}$ and $\bar{\Gamma}\bar{X}$ and Cu(001). Upper panel shows the Fermi surface and isochromat curves at $\hbar\omega = 9.7$ eV for transitions into band 6. Lower panel shows the corresponding $E_{\rm f}(k_{\parallel})$ projections. Computations and filled data circles are from Woodruff et al (1982); open circles are data from Jacob et al (1986).

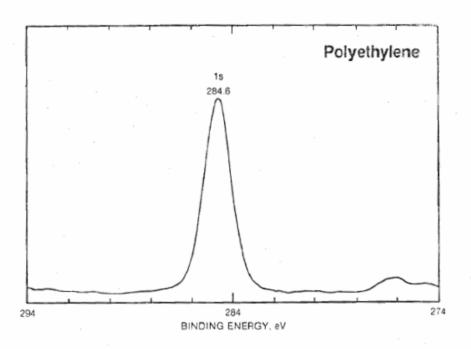


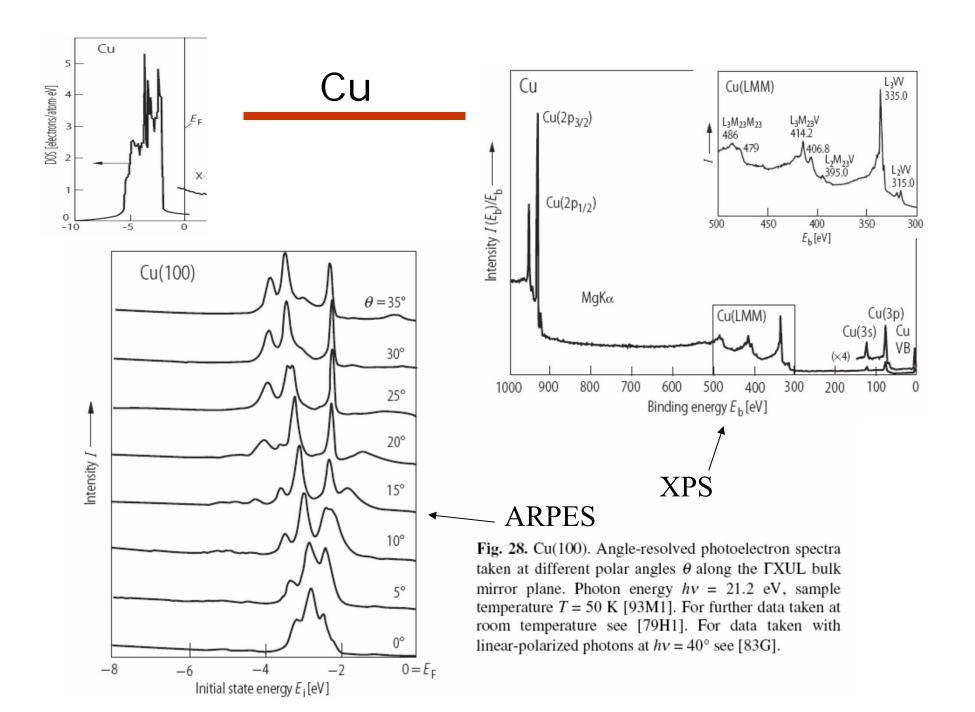
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Carbon, C Atomic 6

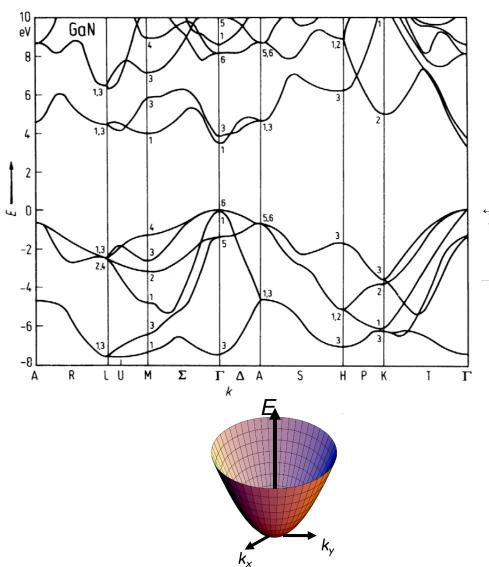


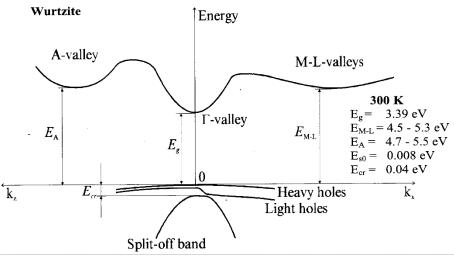
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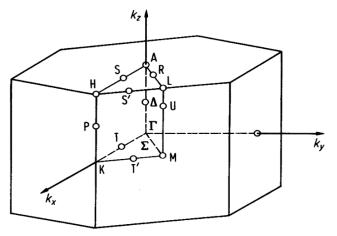




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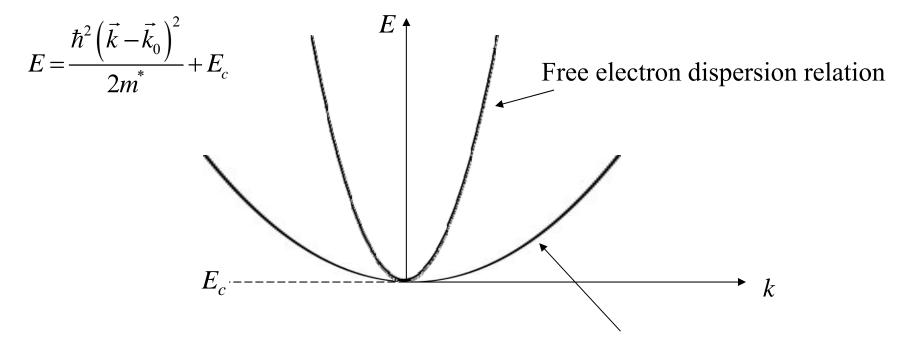






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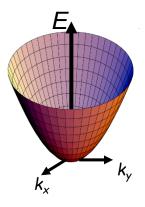
Conduction band minimum



Minimum of the conduction band

Near the conduction band minimum, the bands are approximately parabolic.

Effective mass



$$E = \frac{\hbar^2 (\vec{k} - \vec{k_0})^2}{2m^*} + E_c$$

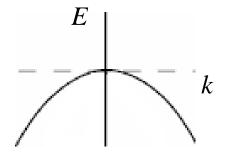
The parabola at the bottom of the conduction band does not have the same curvature as the free-electron dispersion relation. We define an effective mass to characterize the conduction band minimum.

$$m^* = \frac{\hbar^2}{\frac{d^2 E(\vec{k})}{dk_x^2}}$$

This effective mass is used to describe the response of electrons to external forces in the particle picture.

Top of the valence band

In the valence band, the effective mass is negative.



$$m^* = \frac{\hbar^2}{\frac{d^2 E(\vec{k})}{dk_x^2}} < 0$$

Charge carriers in the valence band are positively charged holes.

$$m_h^*$$
 = effective mass of holes

$$m_h^* = \frac{-\hbar^2}{\frac{d^2 E(\vec{k})}{dk_x^2}}$$

Holes

A completely filled band does not contribute to the current.

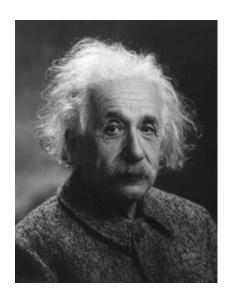
$$\vec{j} = \int_{\text{filled states}} -e\vec{v}(\vec{k})D(\vec{k})f(\vec{k})d\vec{k}$$

$$= \int_{\text{band}} -e\vec{v}(\vec{k})D(\vec{k})f(\vec{k})d\vec{k} - \int_{\text{empty states}} -e\vec{v}(\vec{k})D(\vec{k})f(\vec{k})d\vec{k}$$

$$= \int_{\text{empty states}} e\vec{v}(\vec{k})D(\vec{k})f(\vec{k})d\vec{k}$$

Holes have a positive charge and a positive mass.

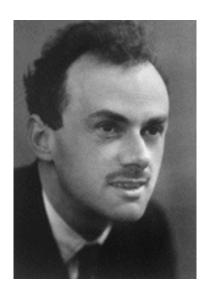
Holes



Albert Einstein



Erwin Schrödinger



Paul Adrien Maurice Dirac