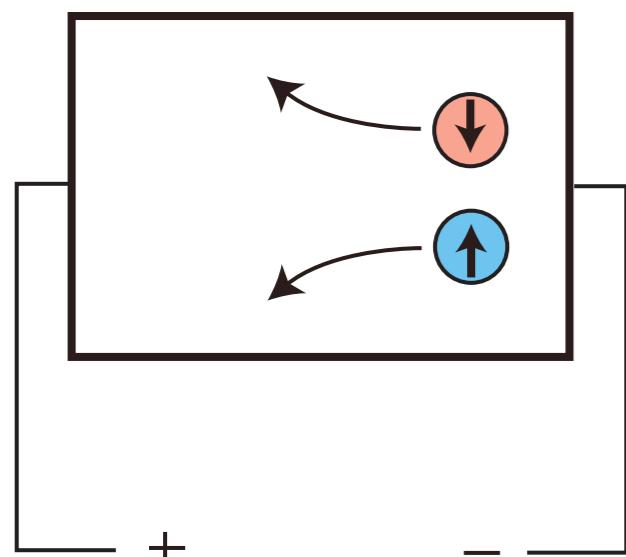
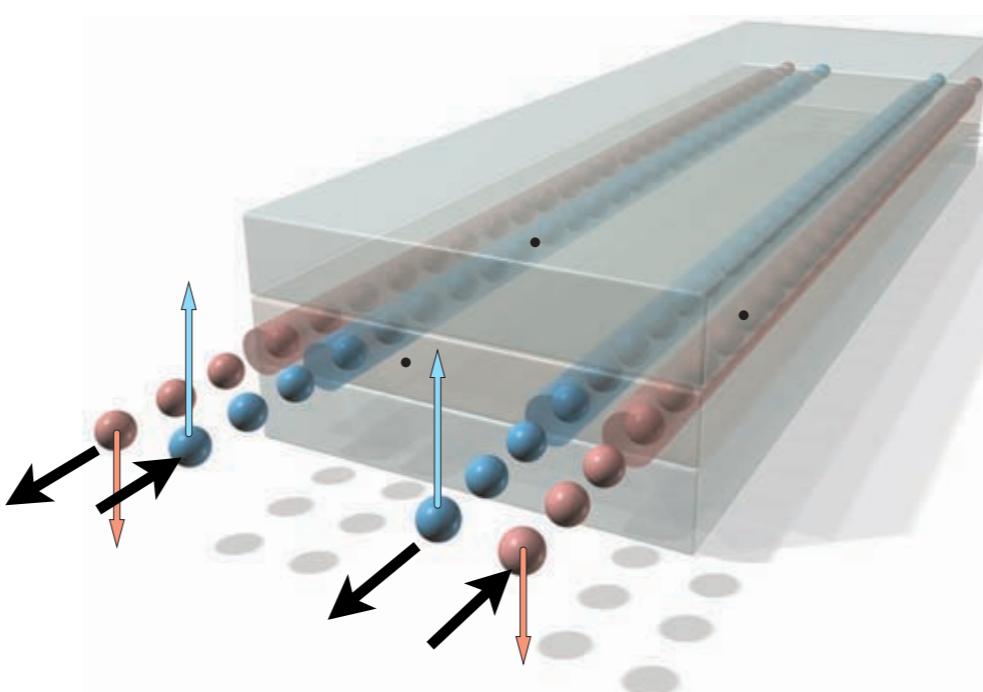


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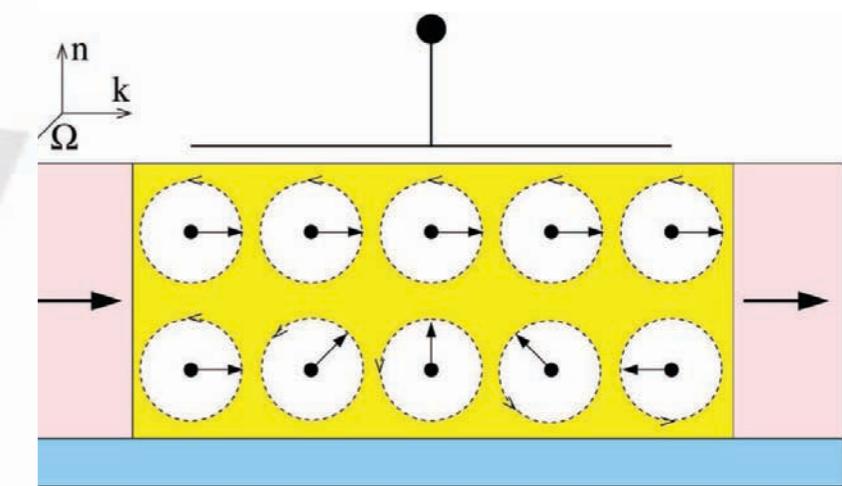


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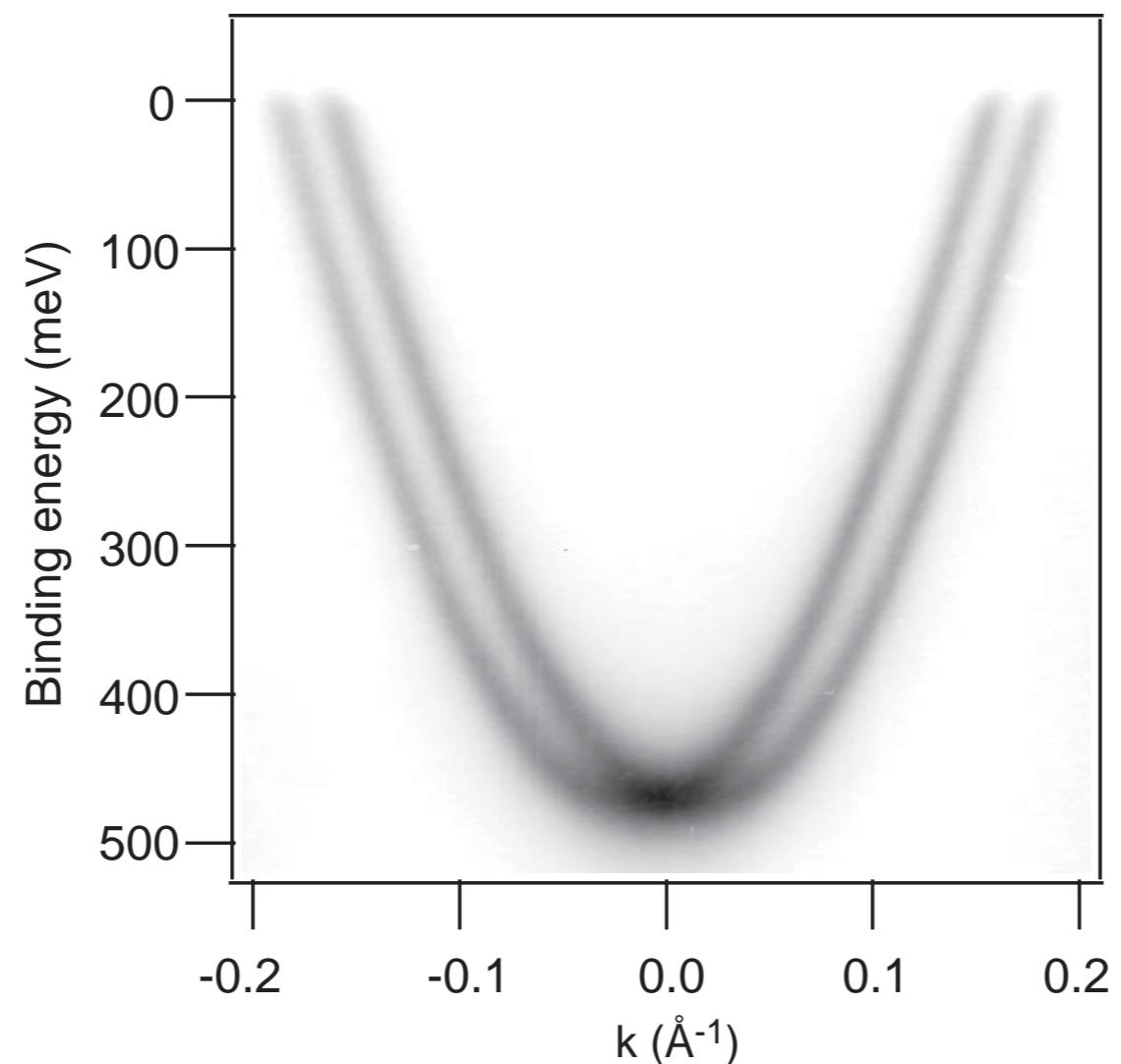


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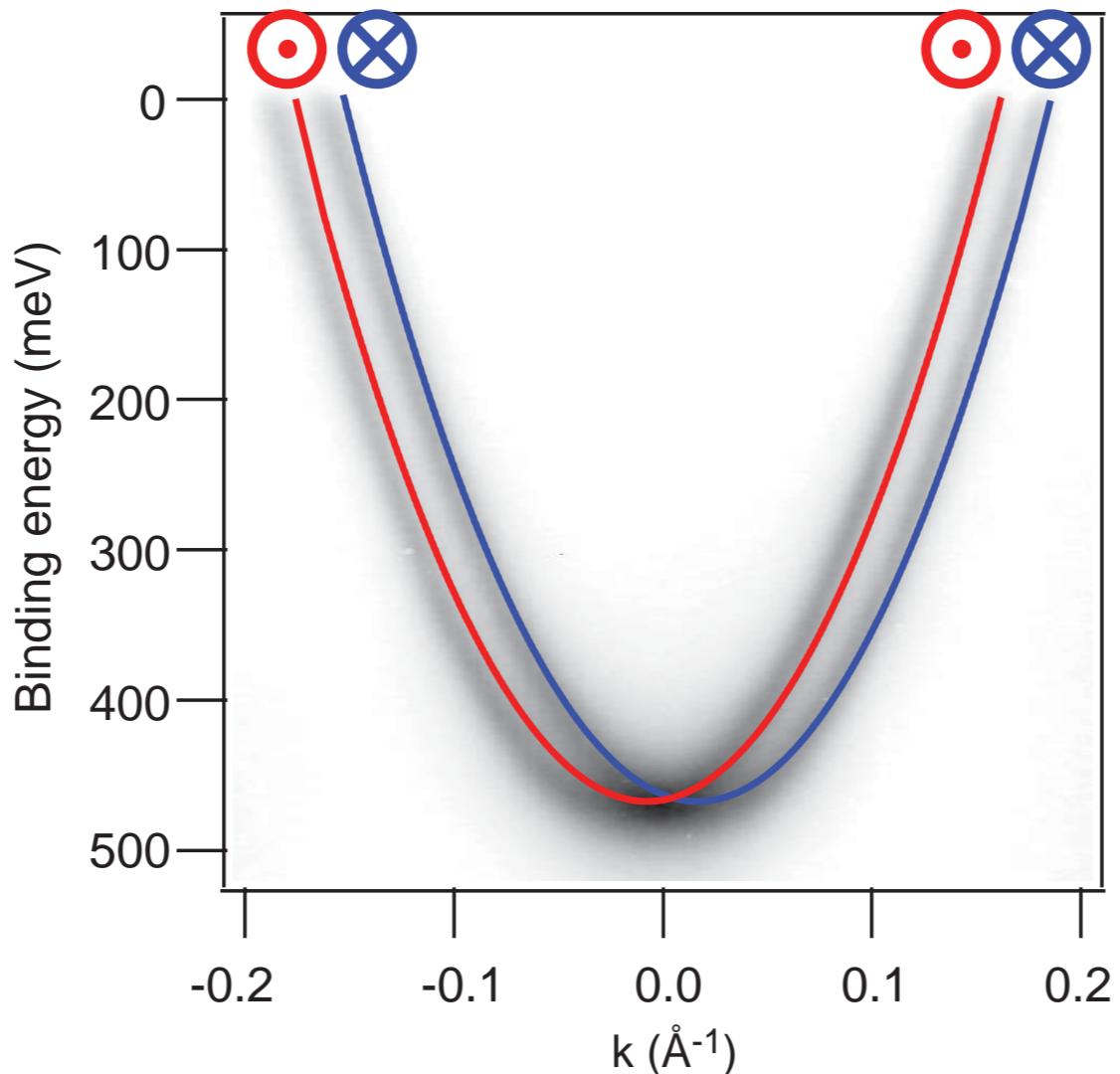


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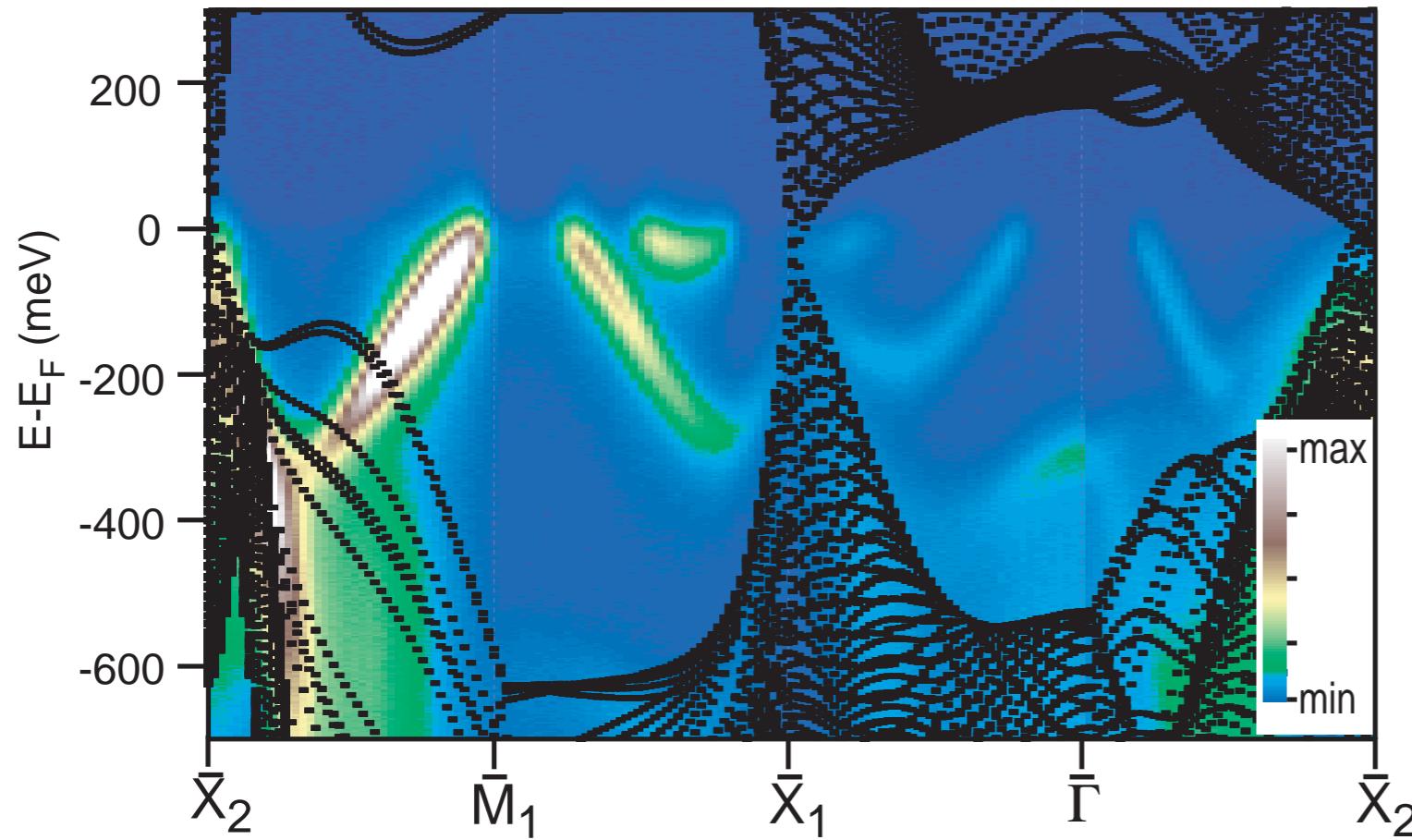
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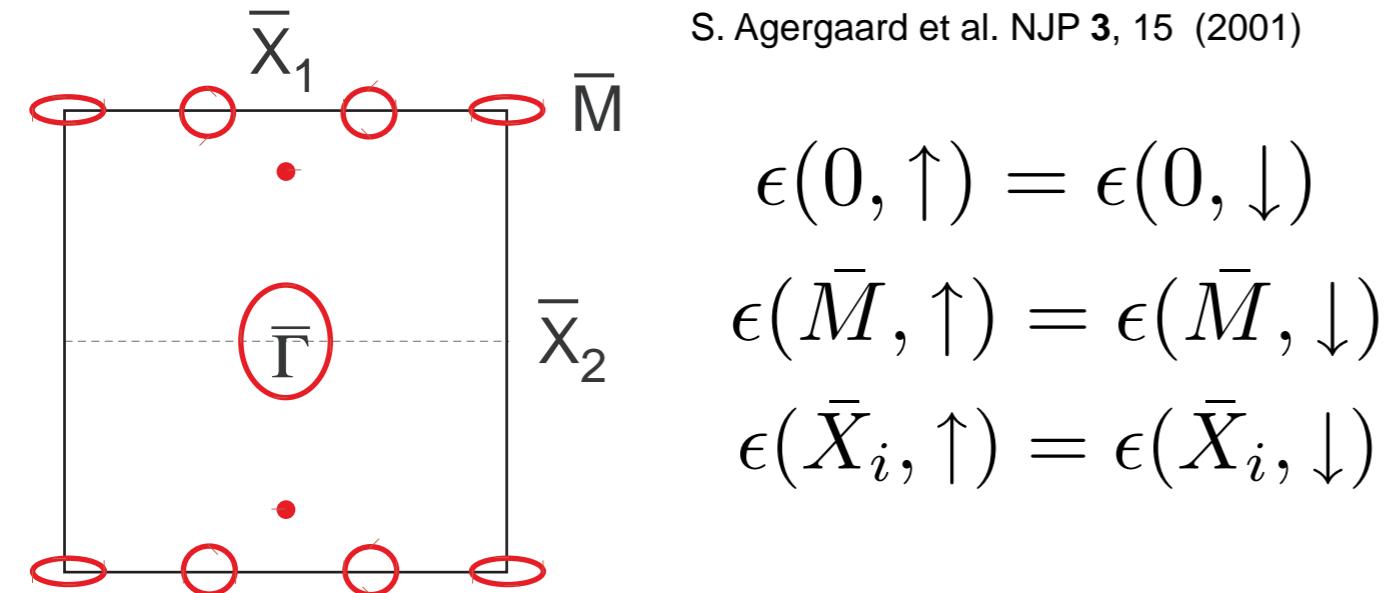
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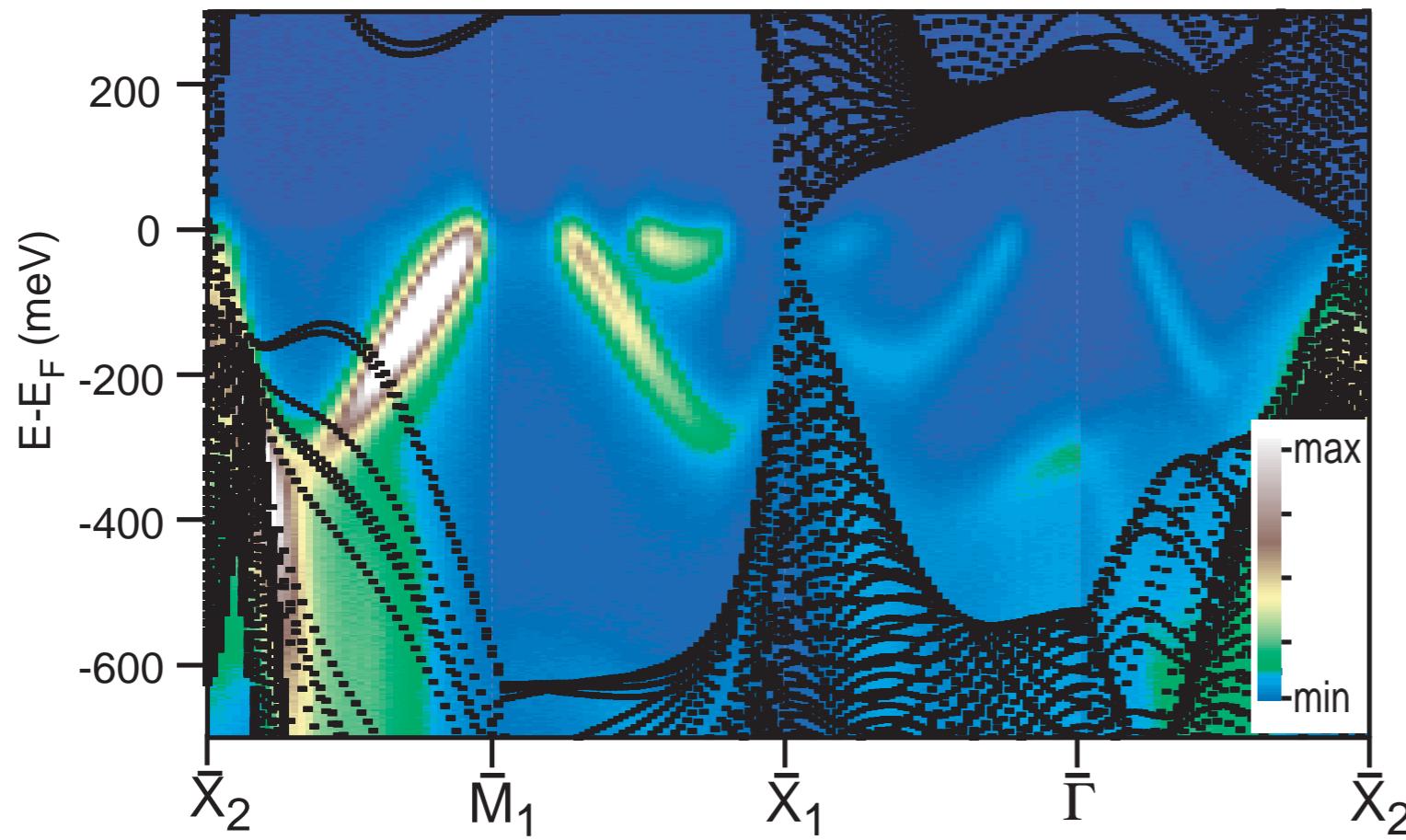
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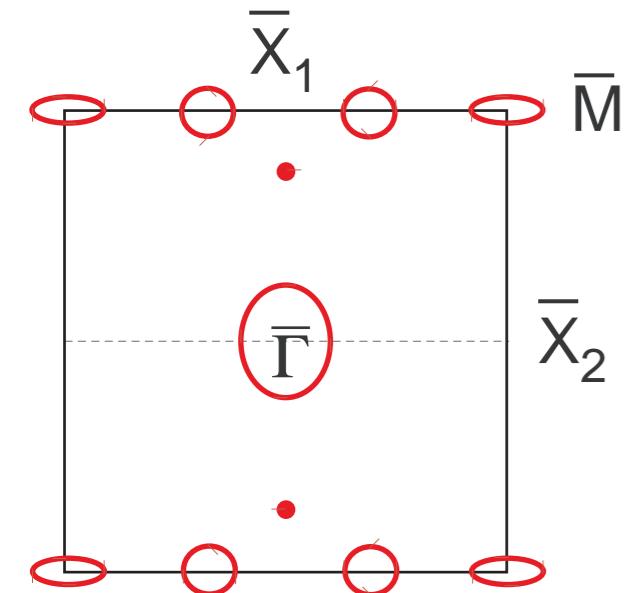
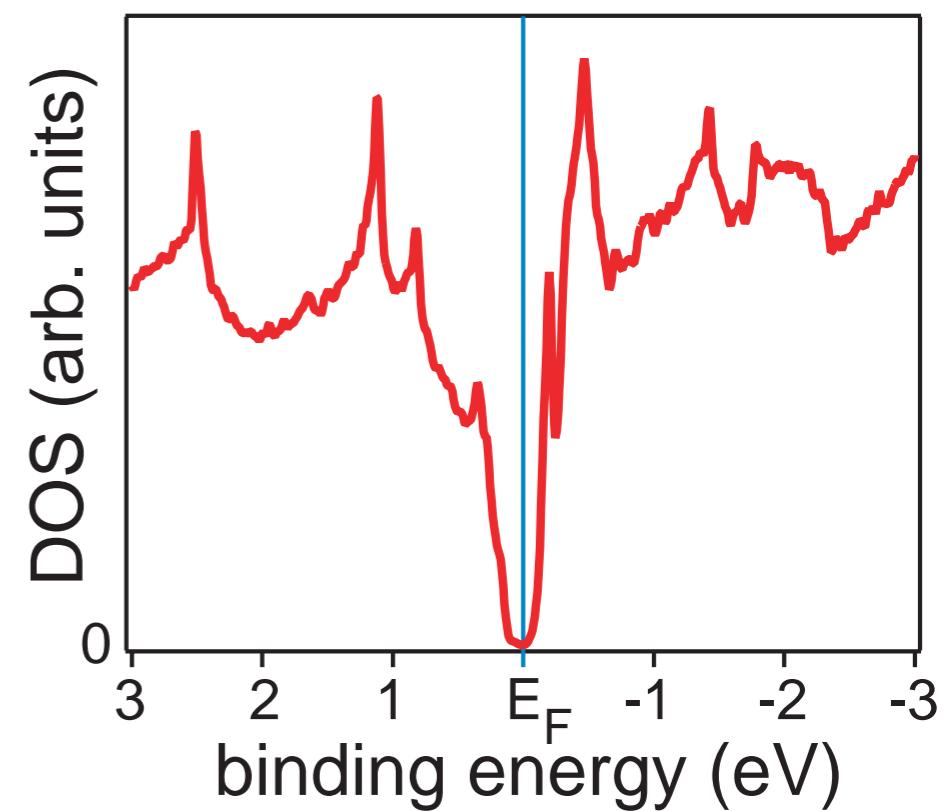
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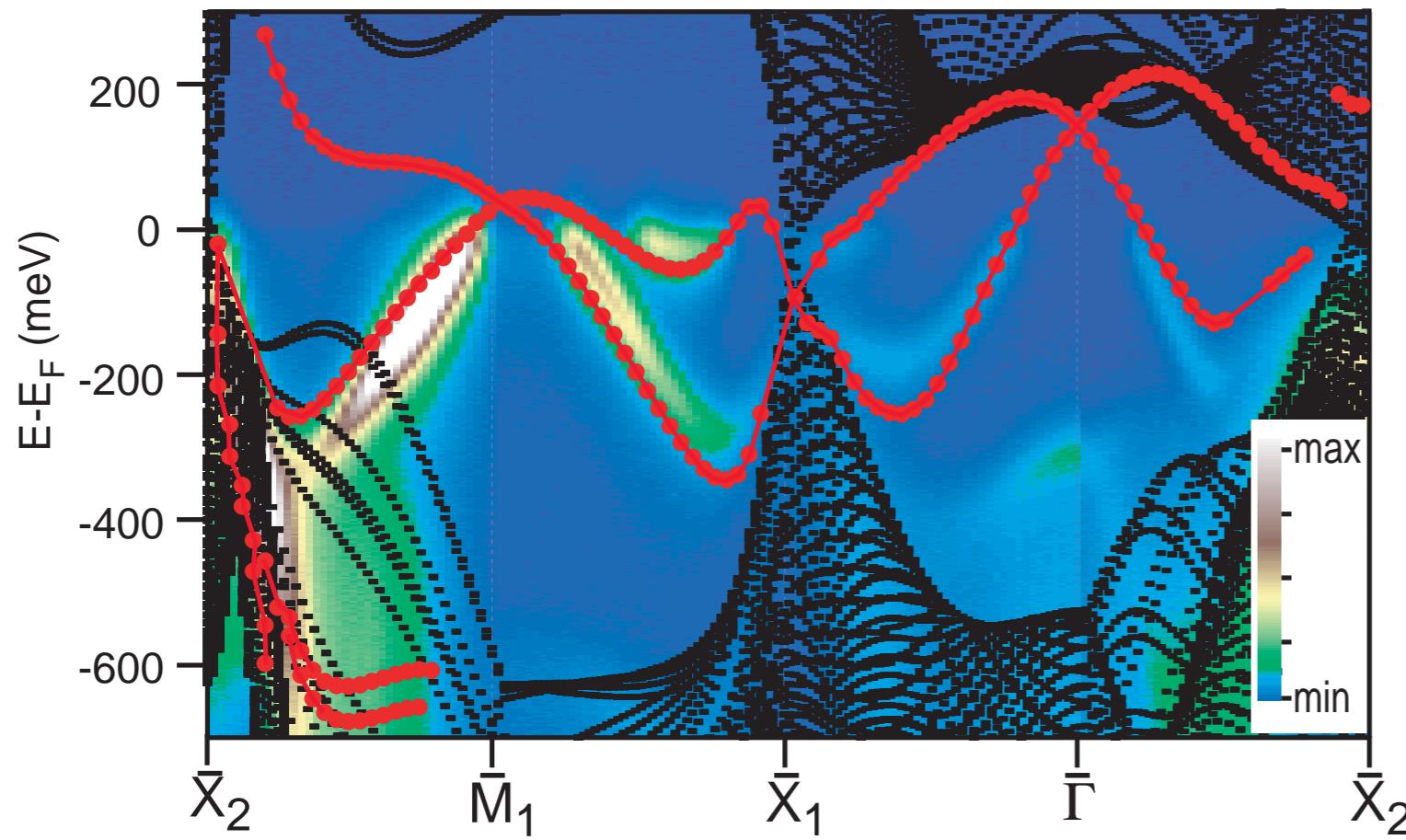
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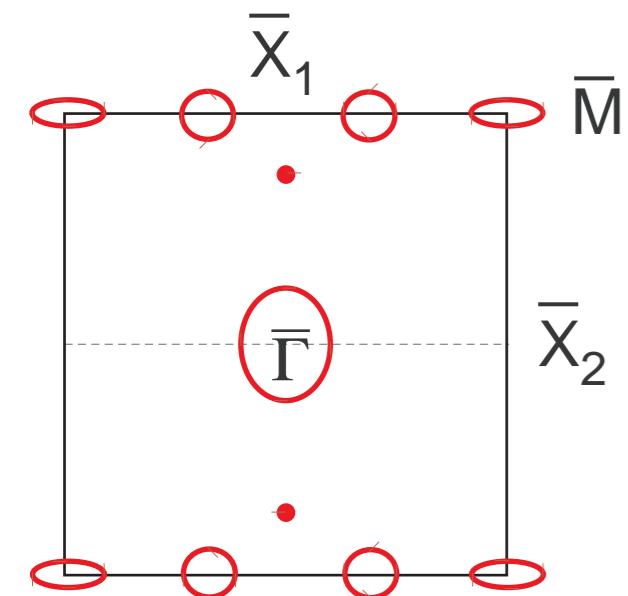
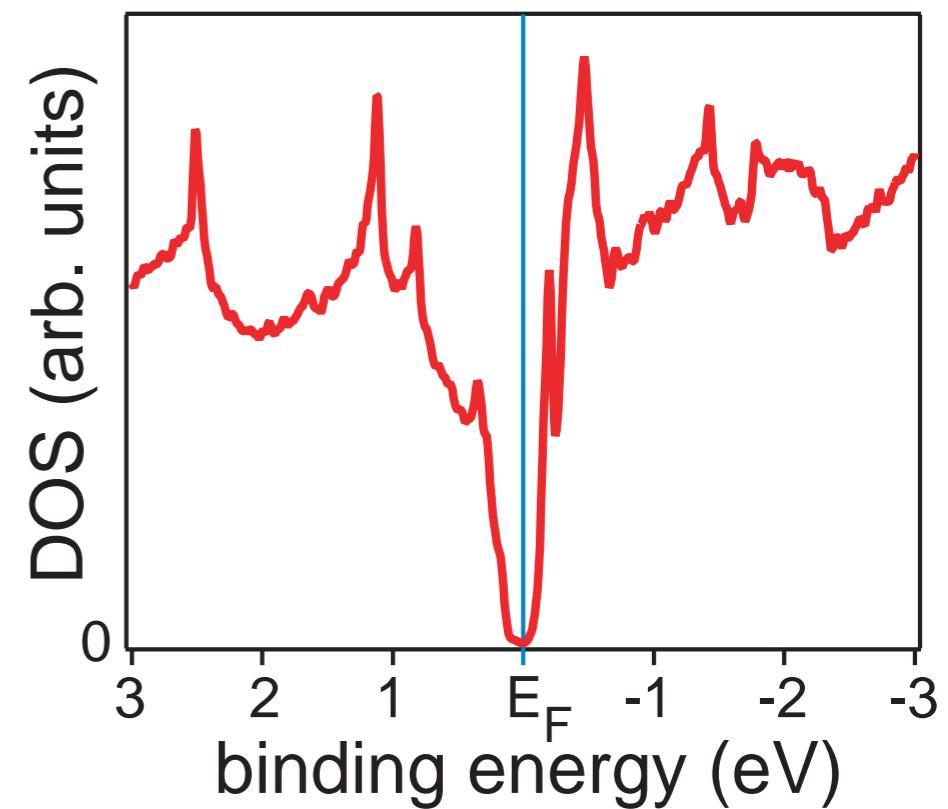
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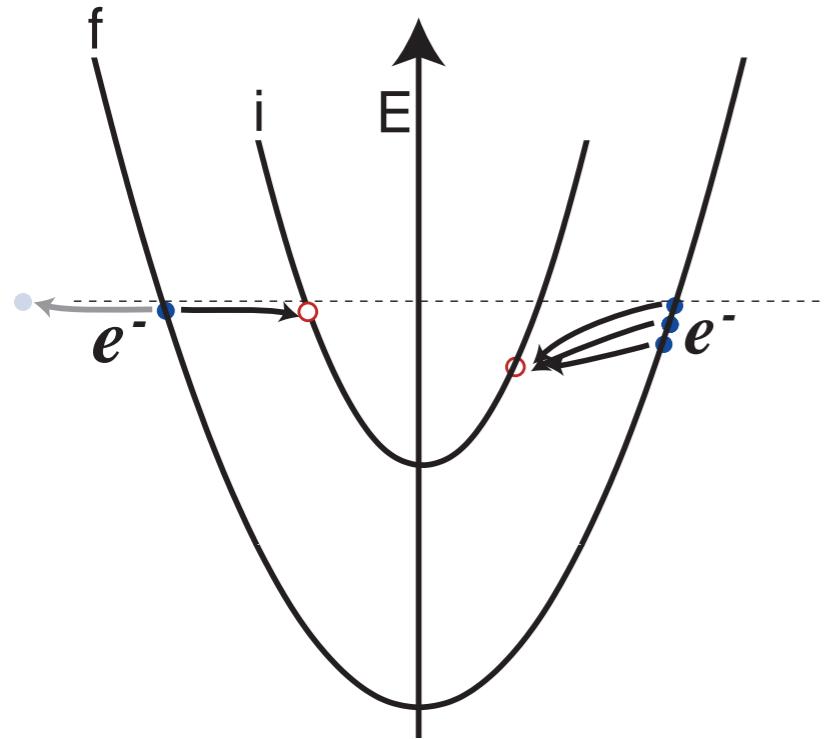
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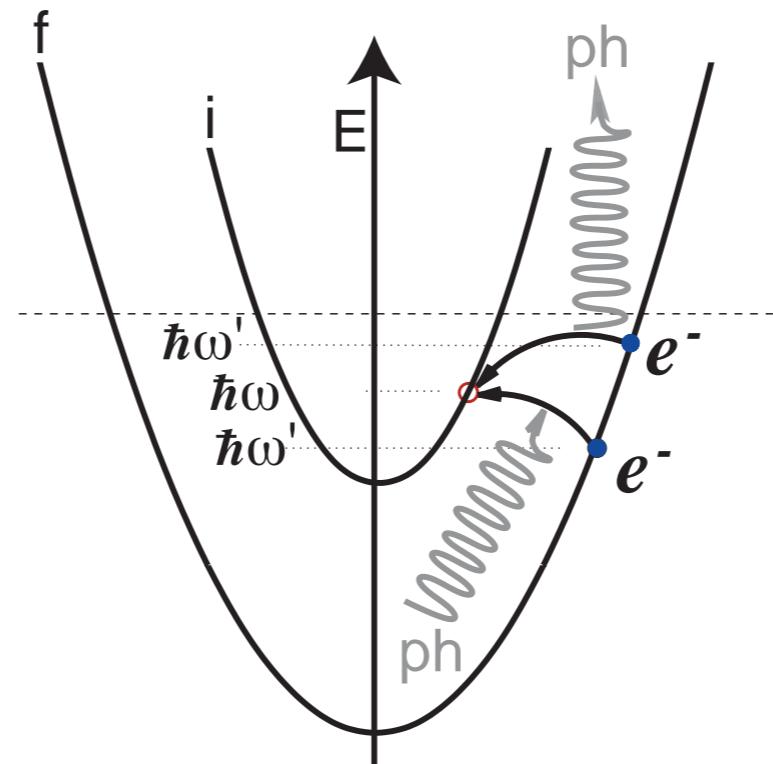
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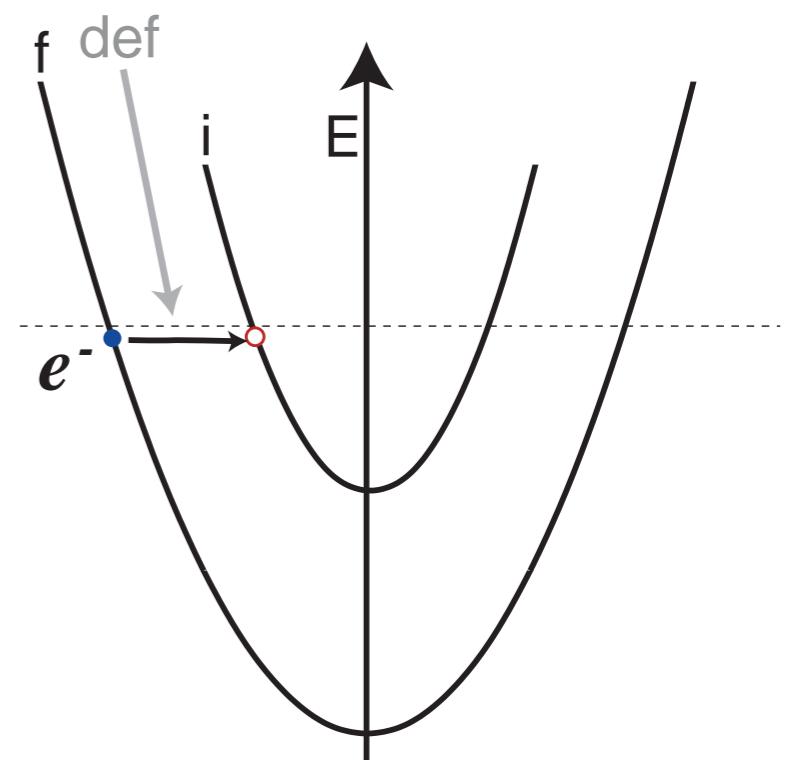
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electron-phonon



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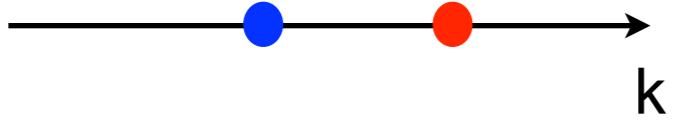
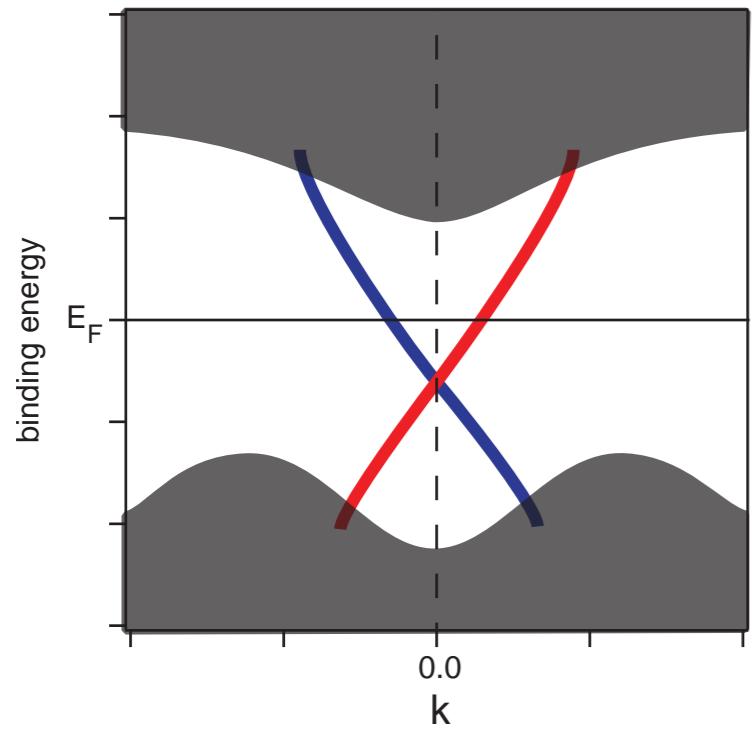


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- matrix elements
- density of states
- spin (?)

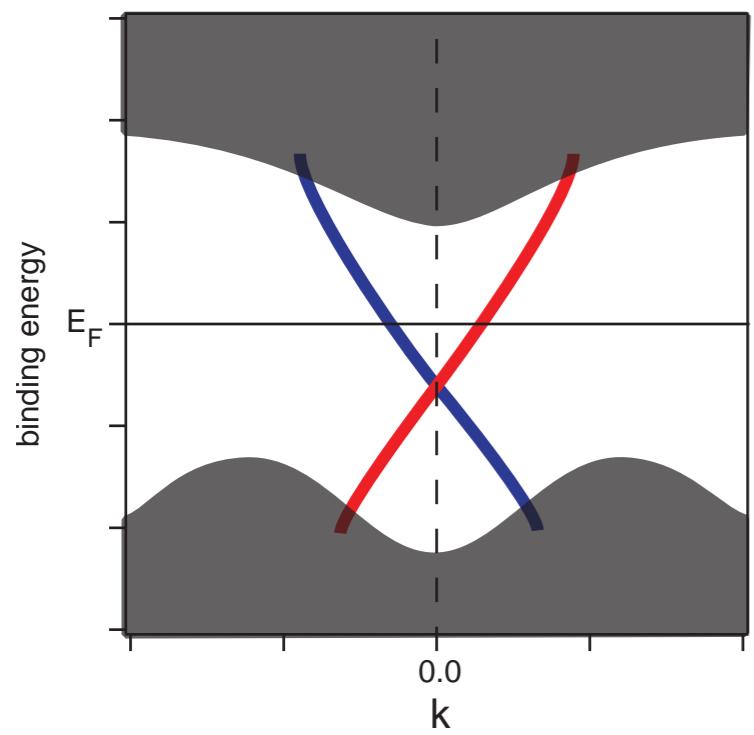
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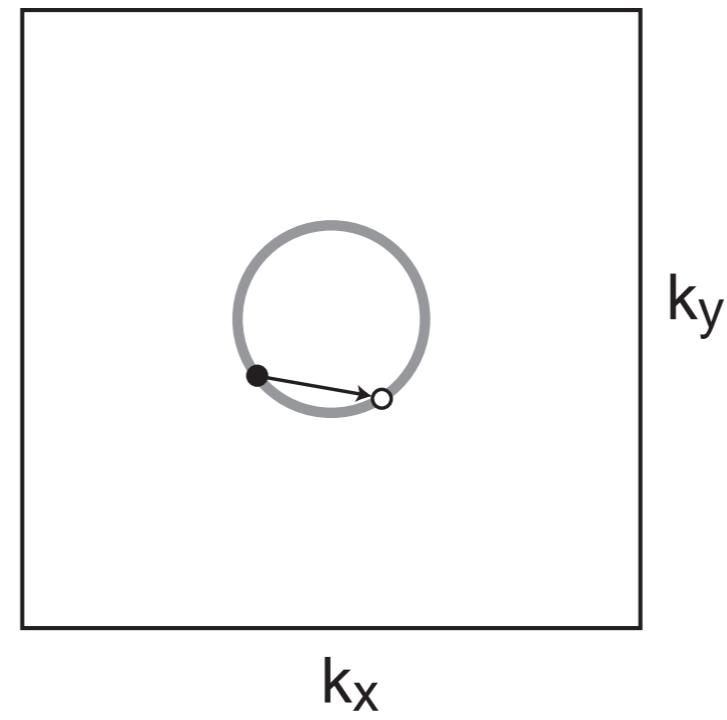
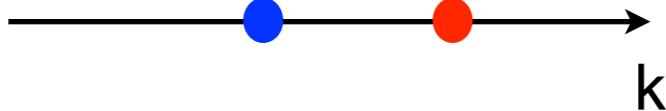
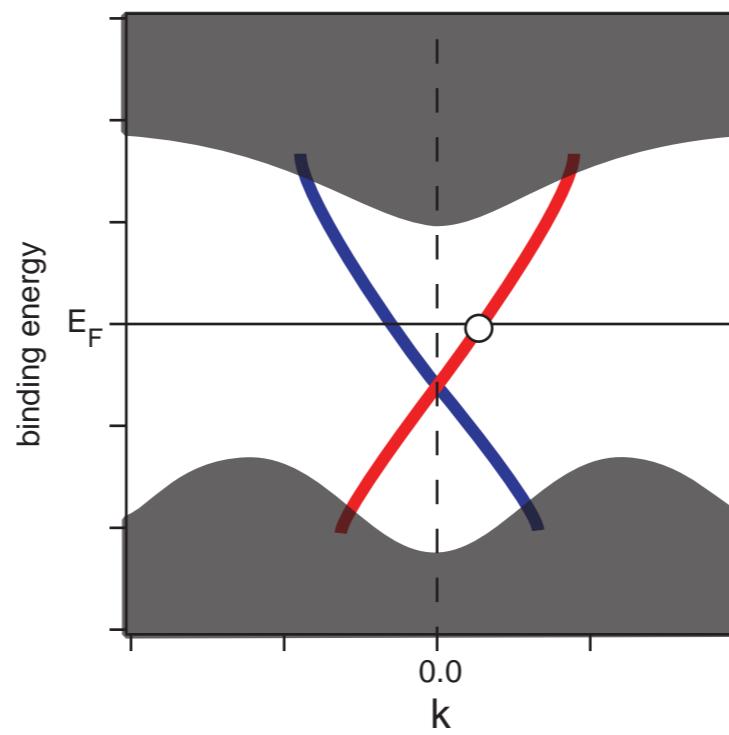


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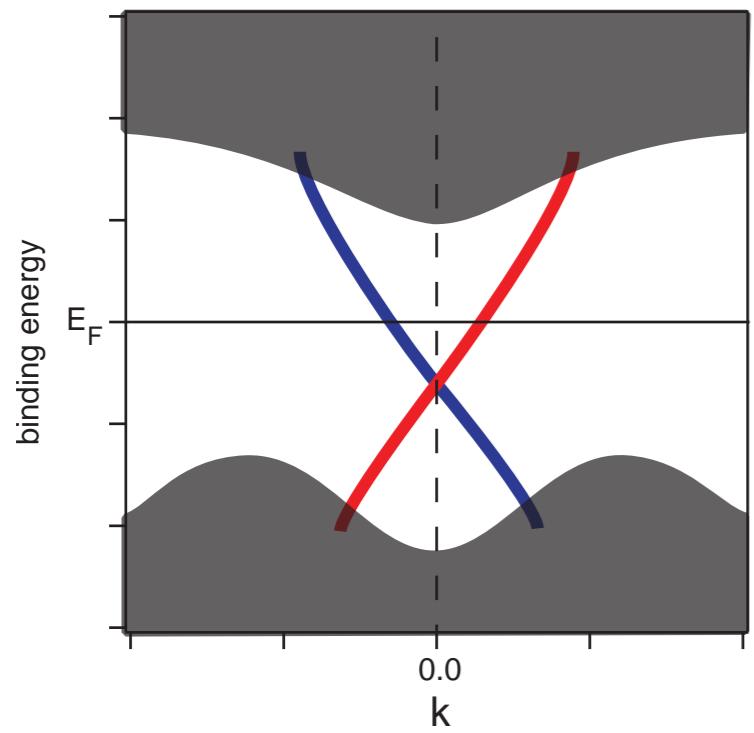


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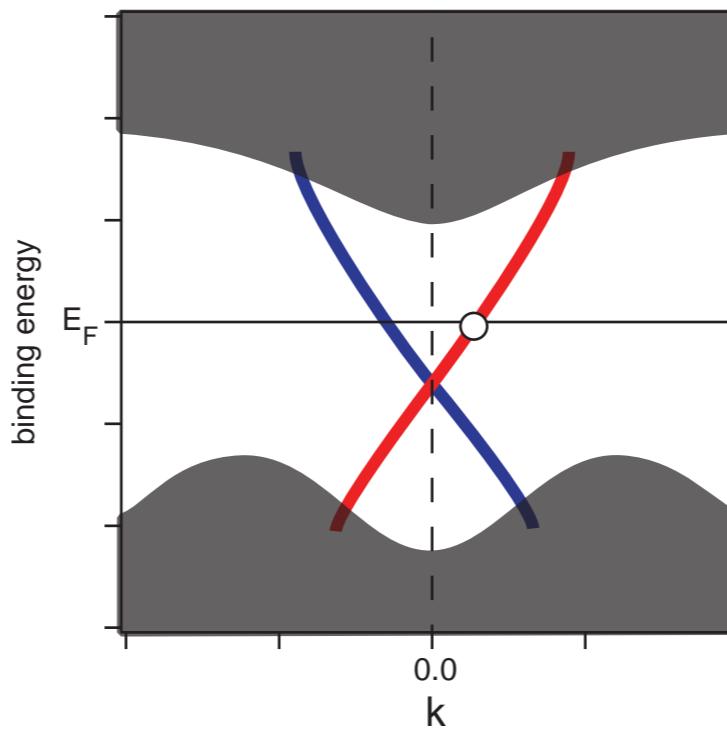


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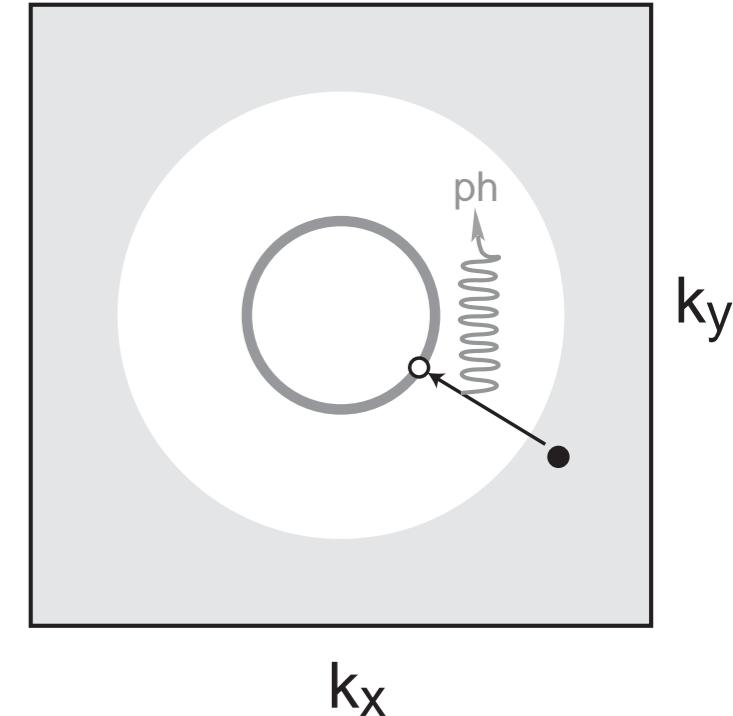
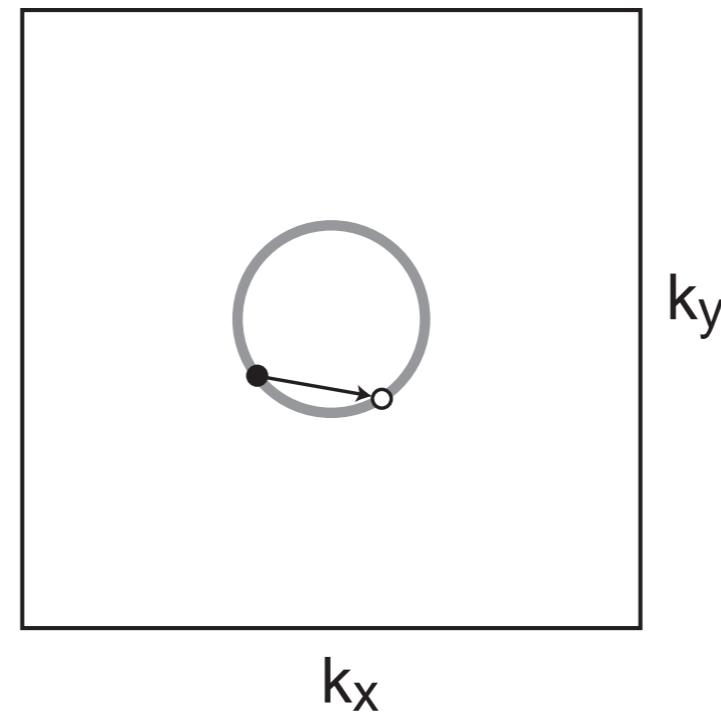
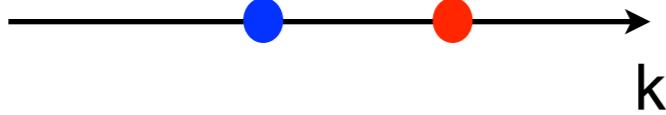
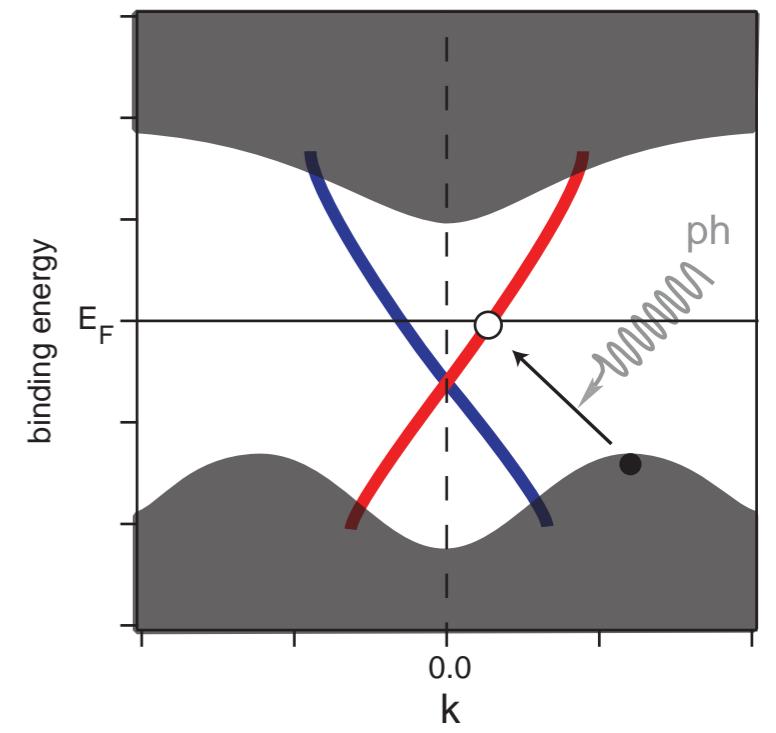
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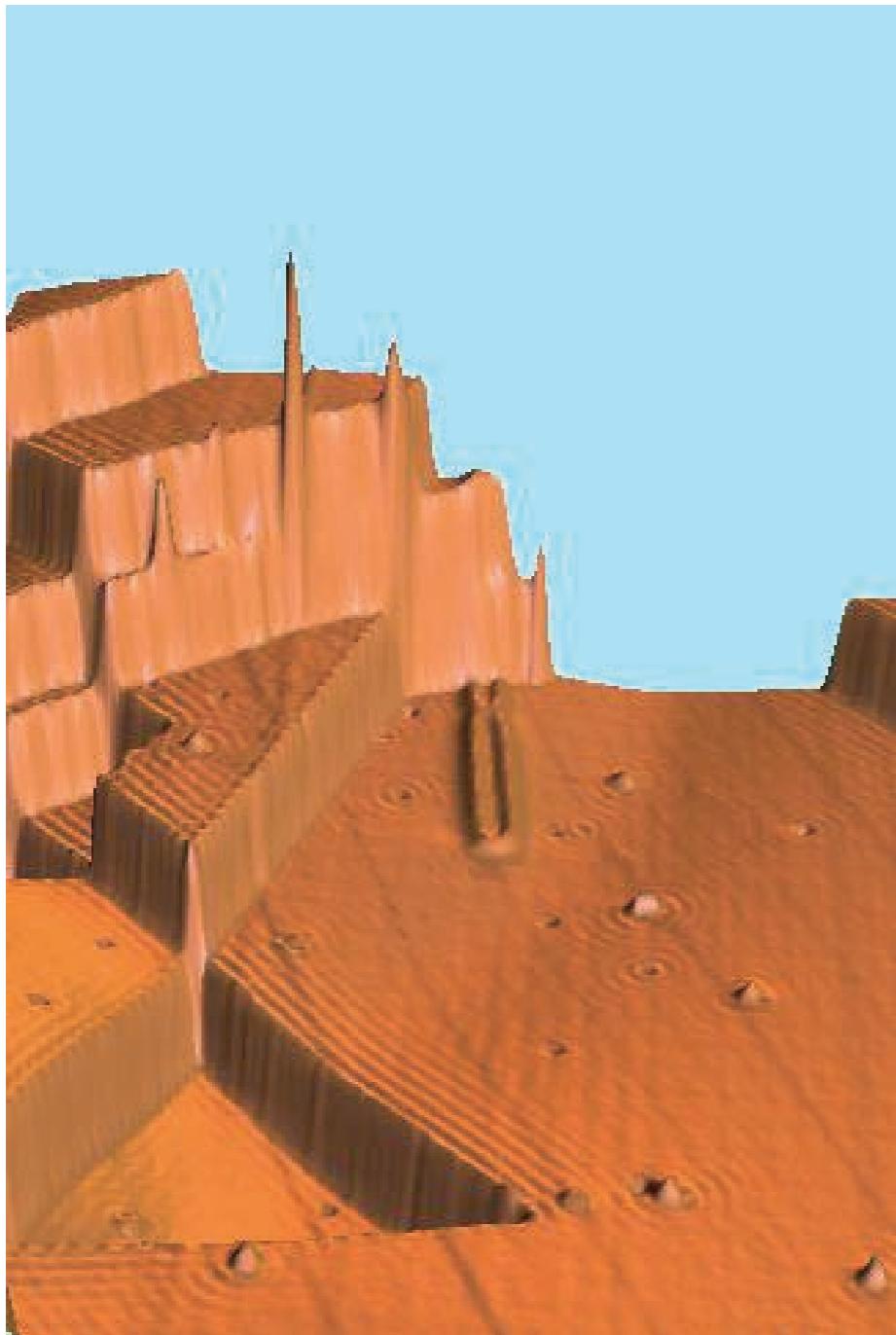
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cases

- quasiparticle interference
- lifetime in Rashba systems
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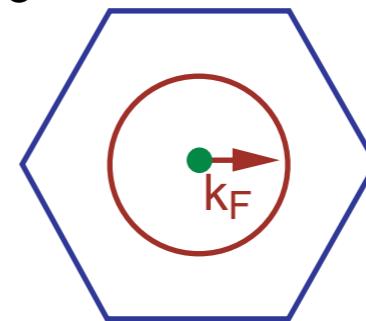
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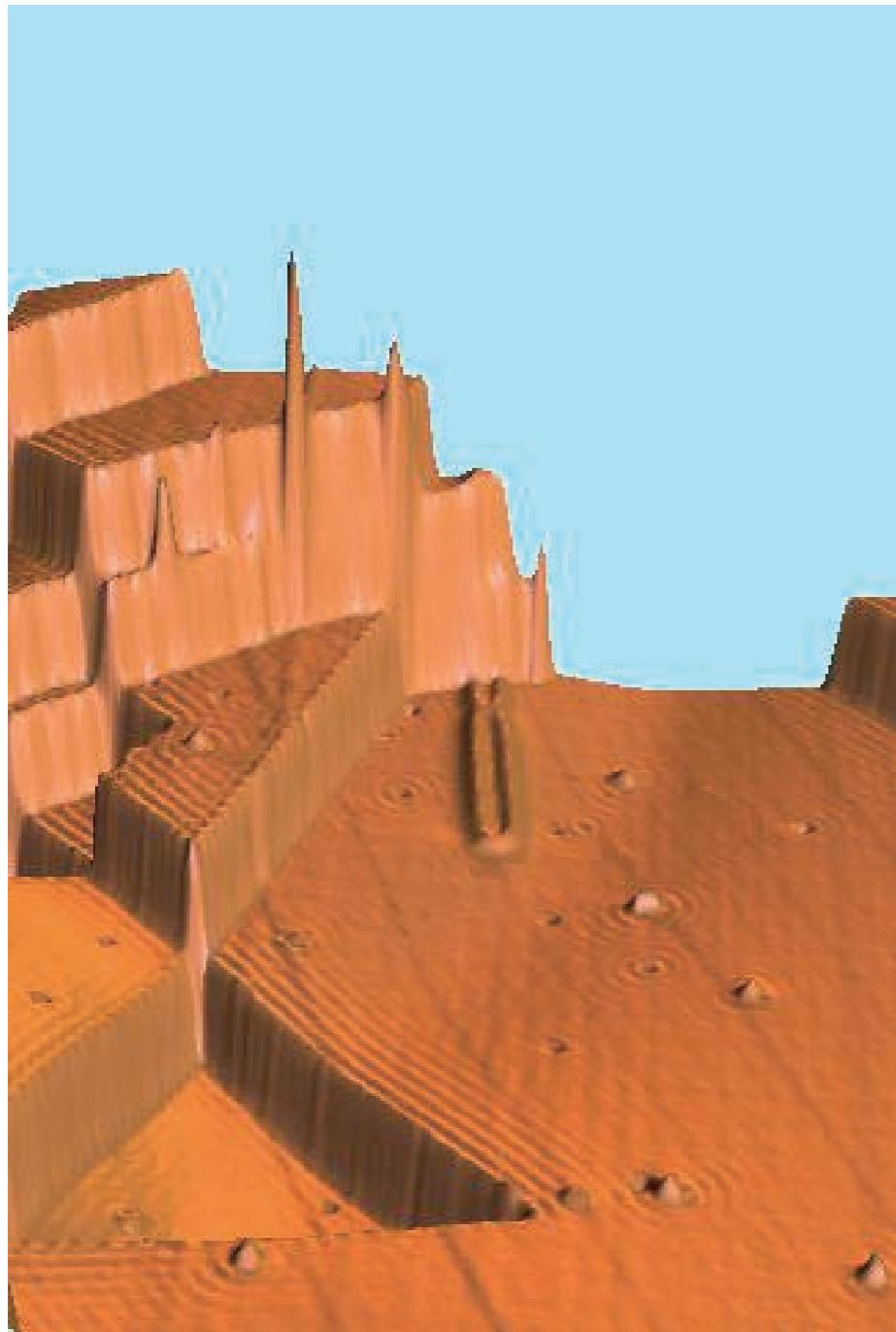


first Brillouin zone
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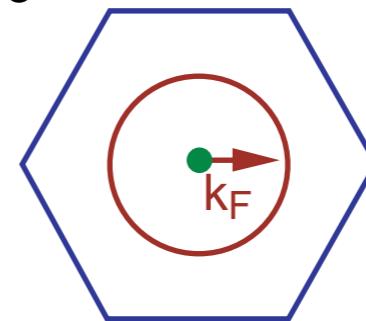


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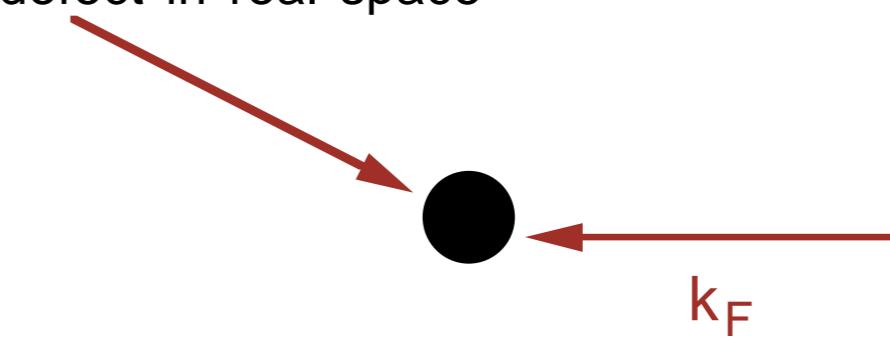
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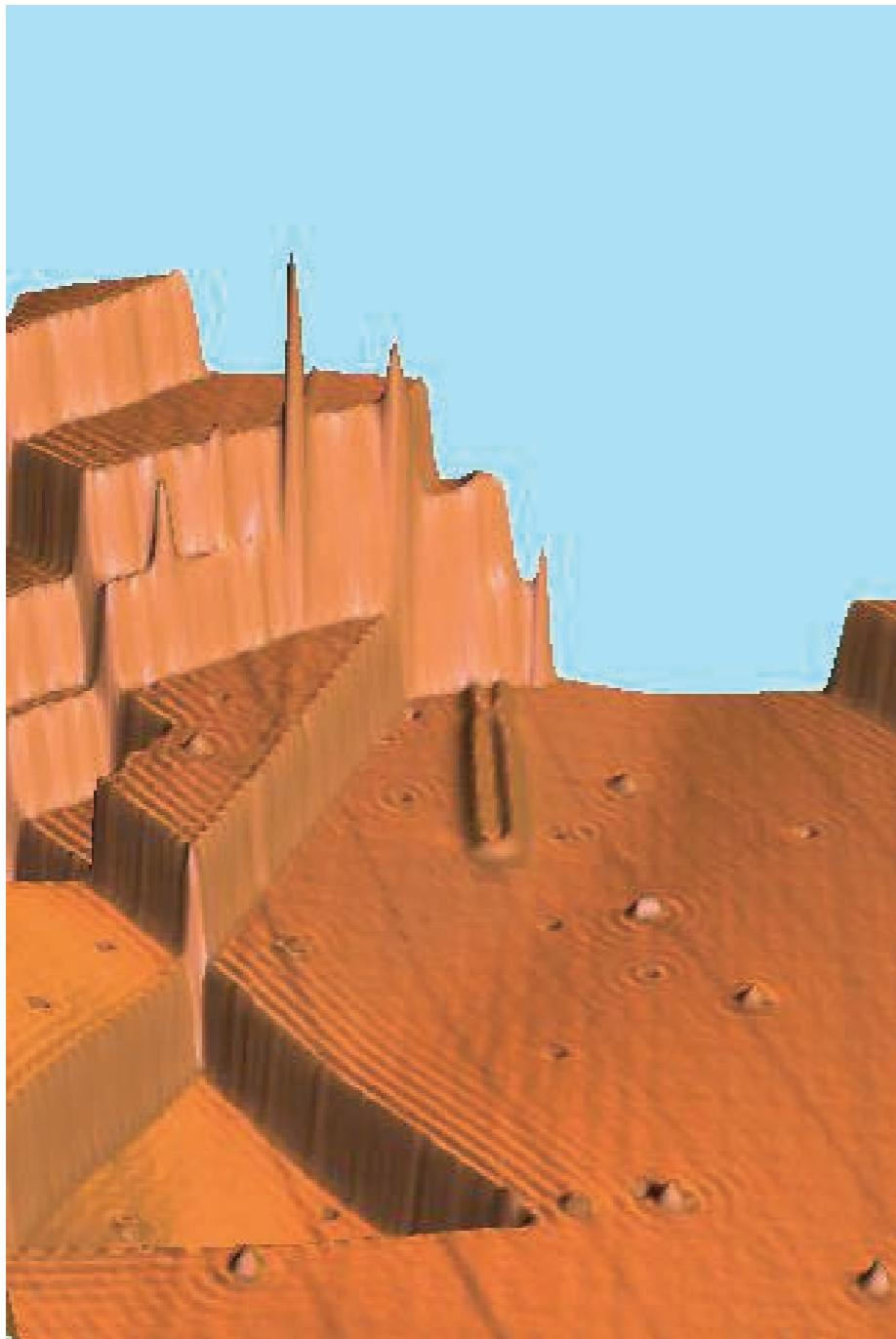
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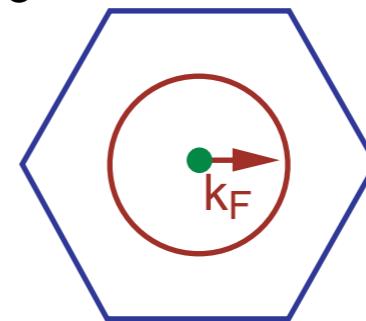
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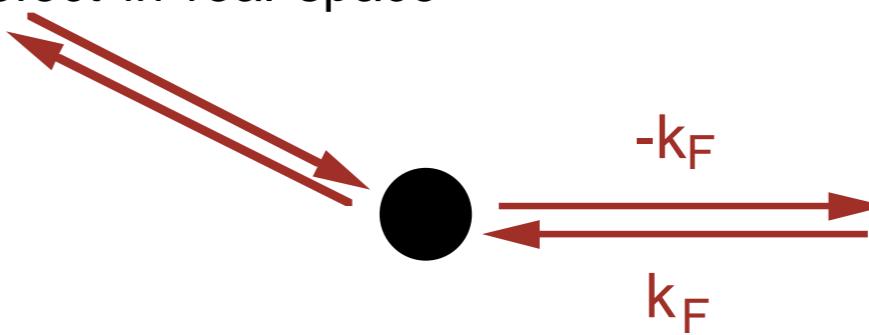
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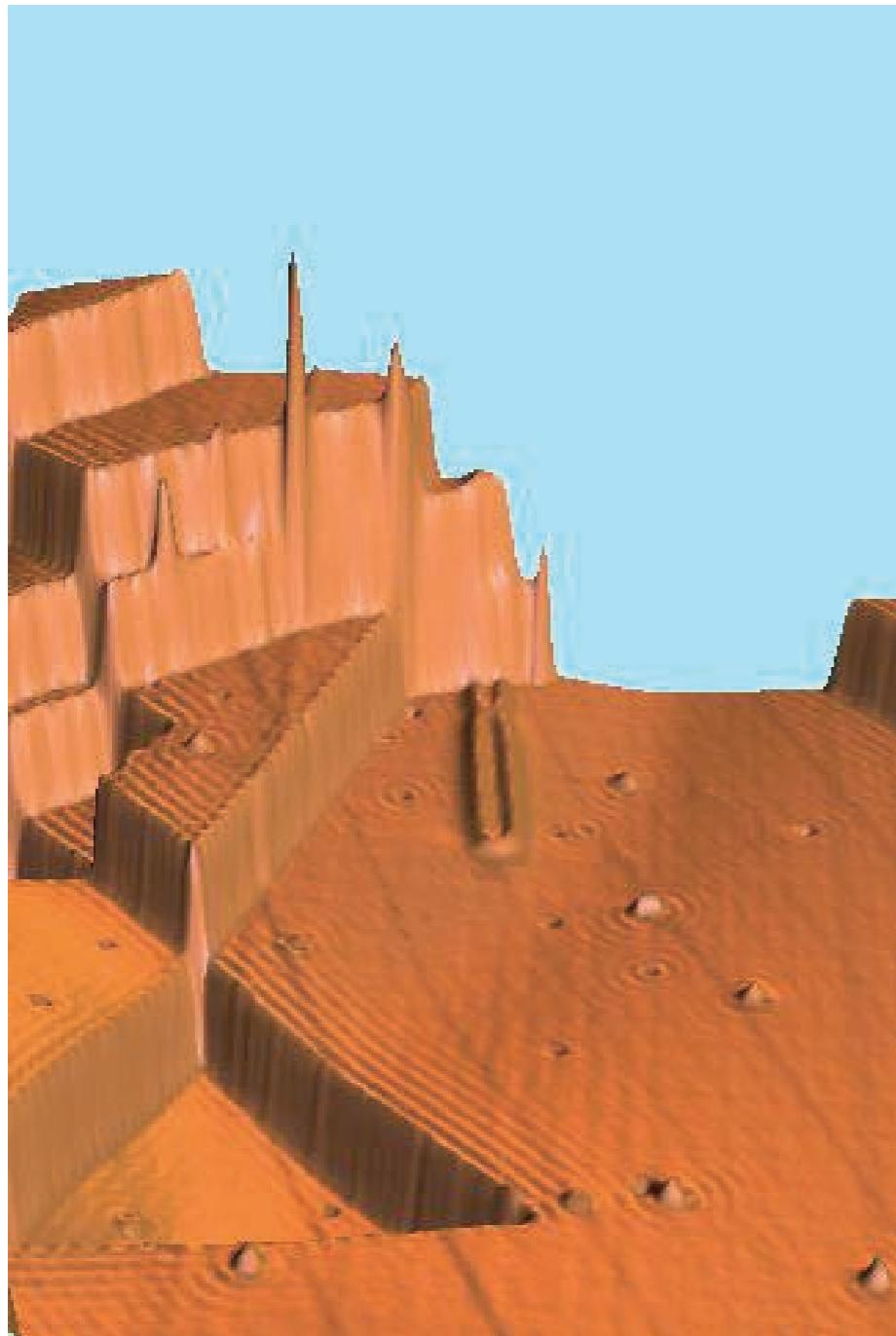
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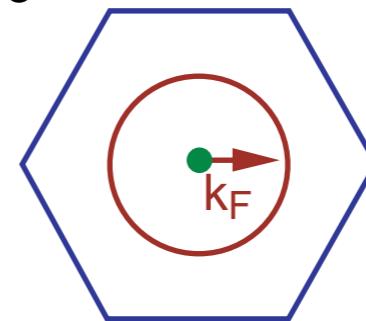
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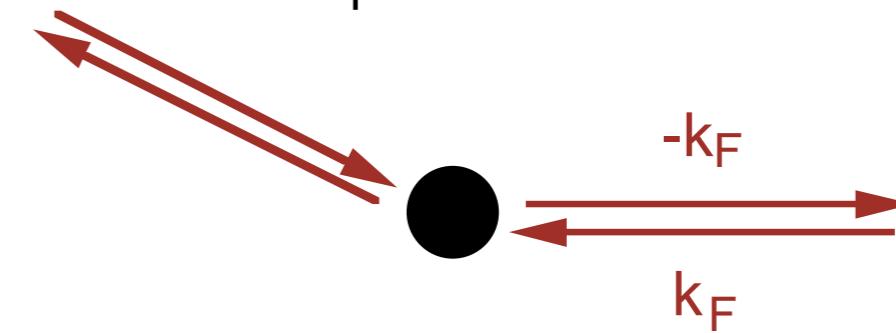
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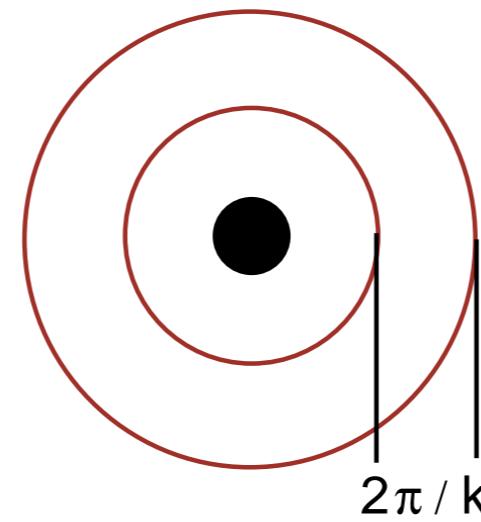


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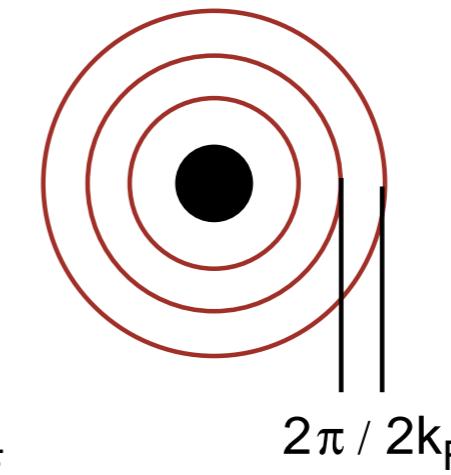
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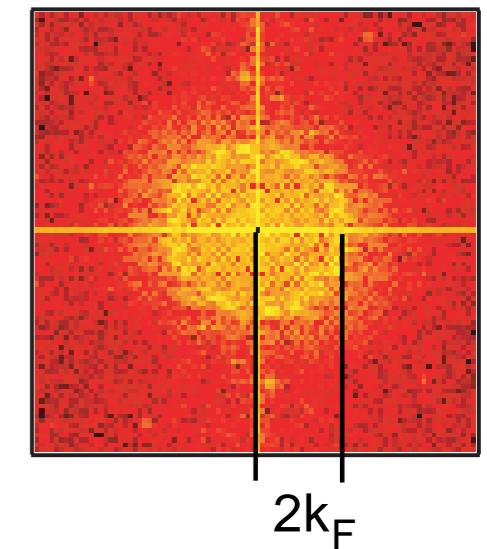
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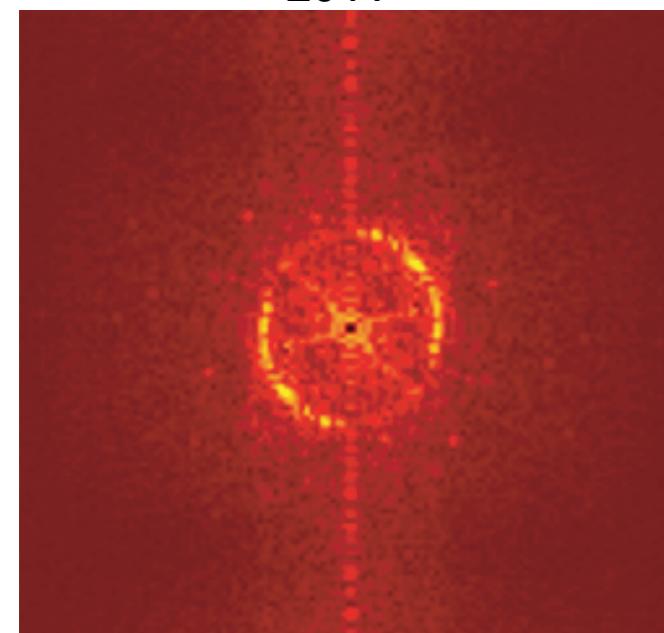
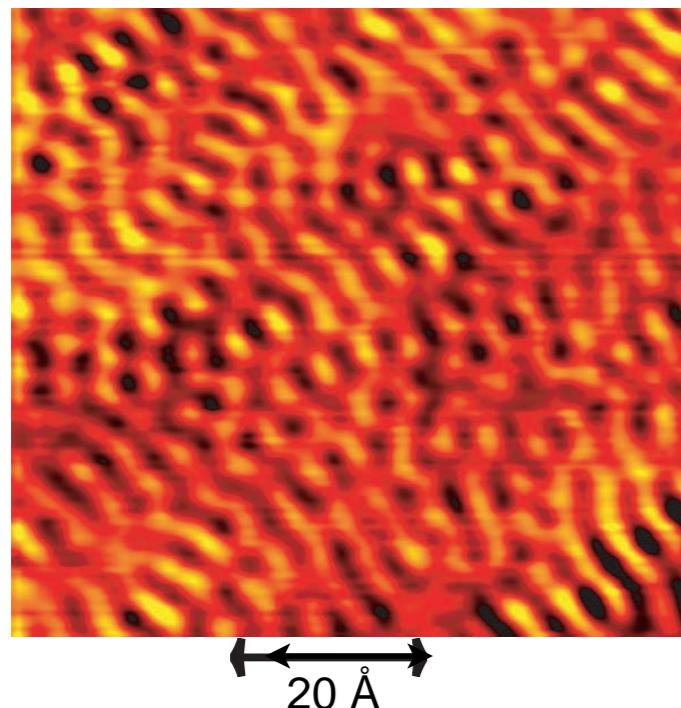


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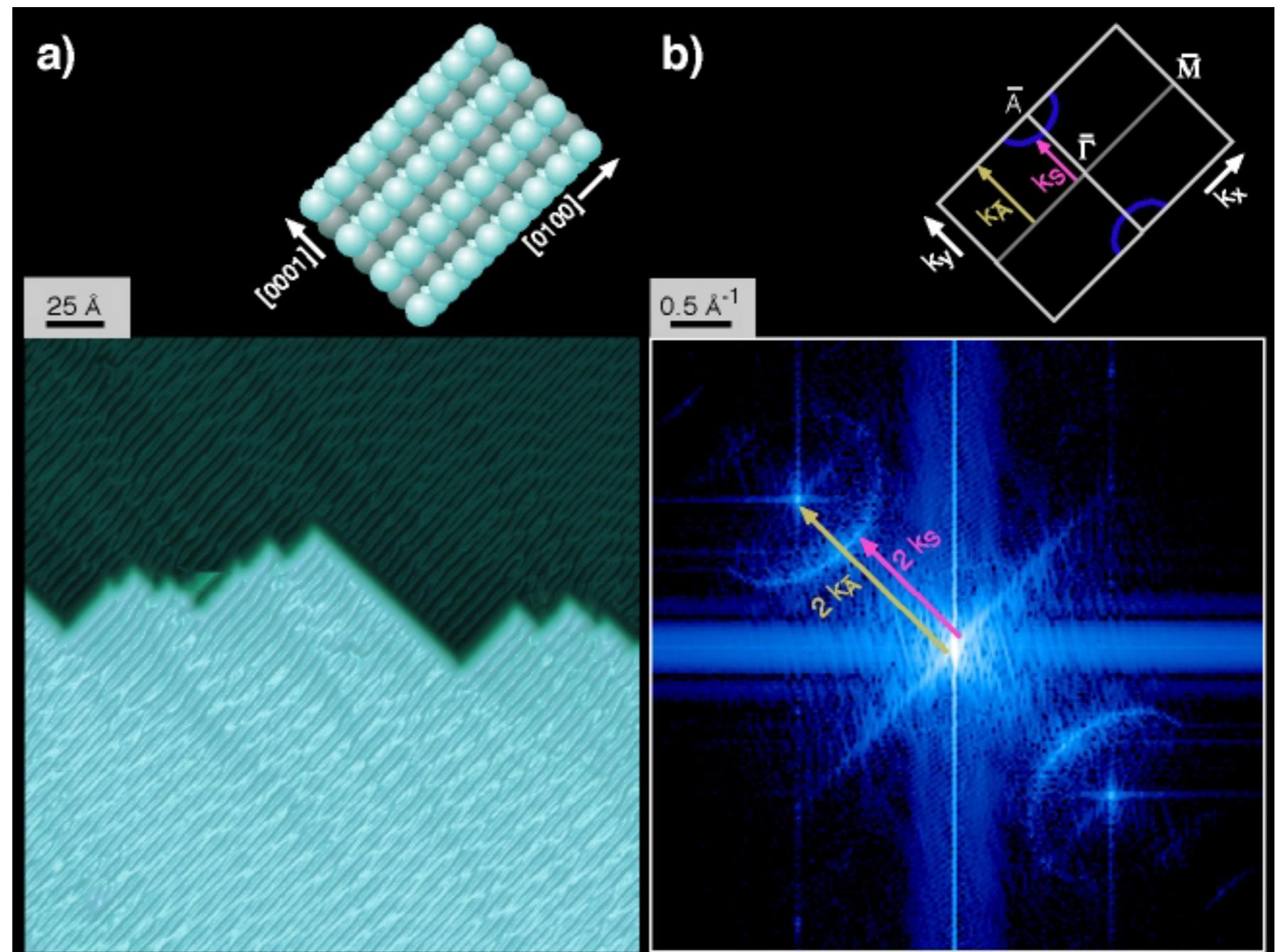


fermi surfaces by Fourier-transform STM

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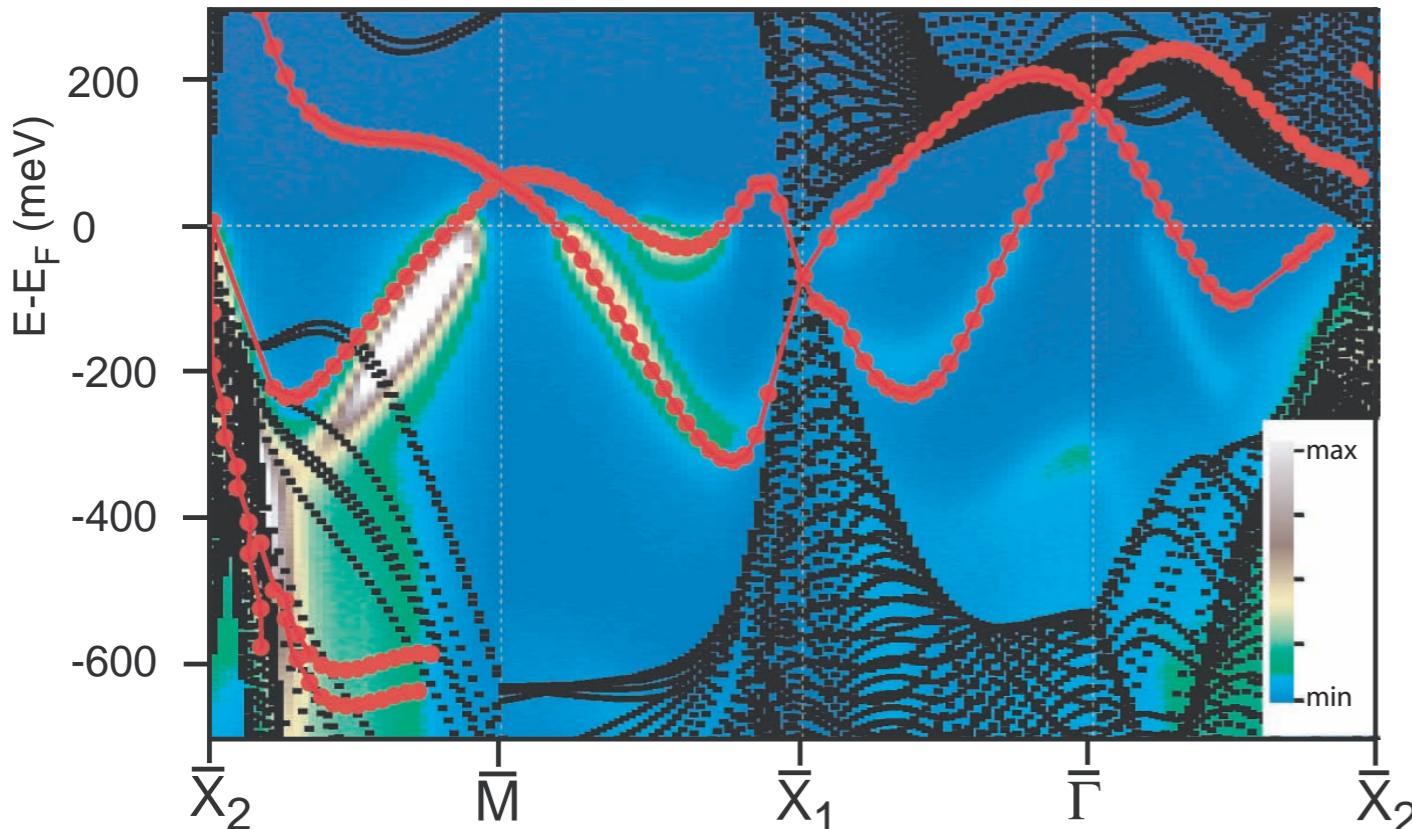


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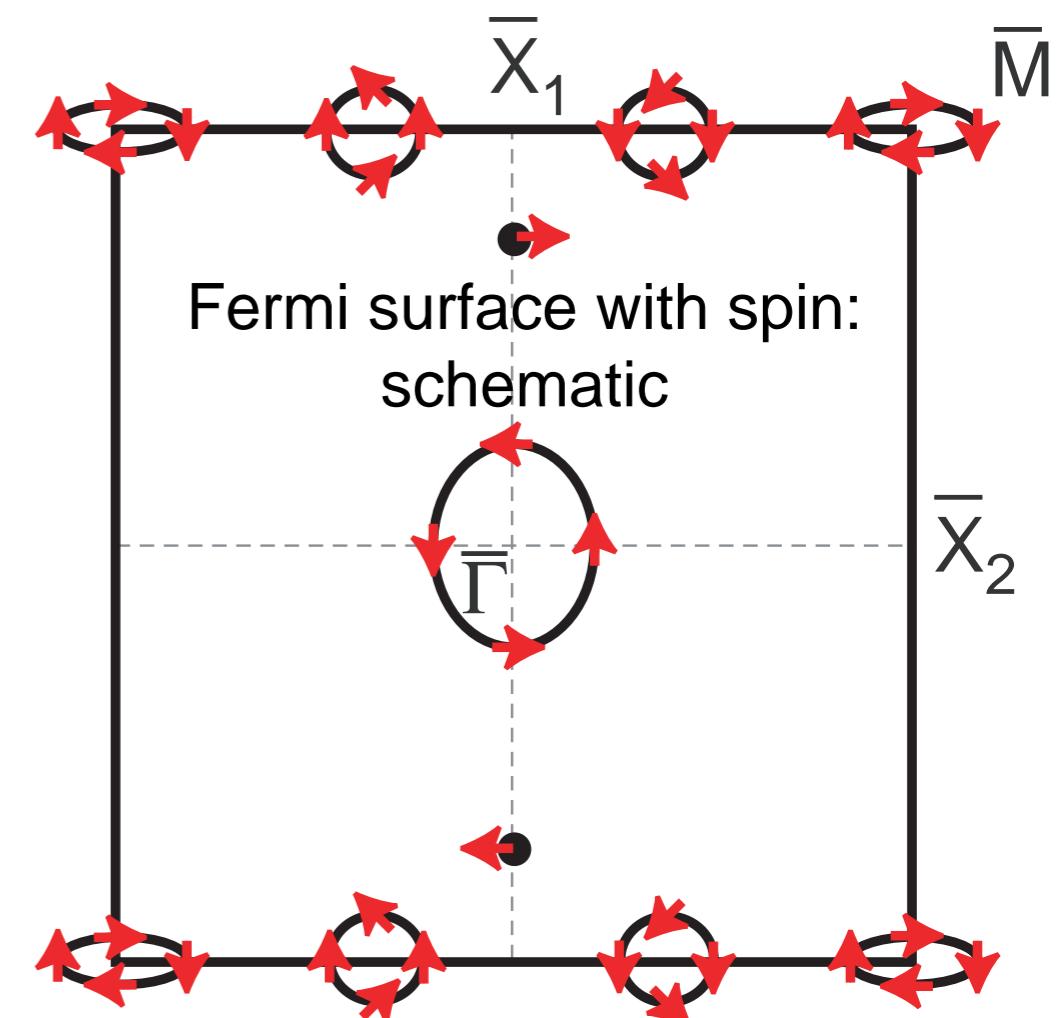
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Bi(110) fermi surface and spin direction

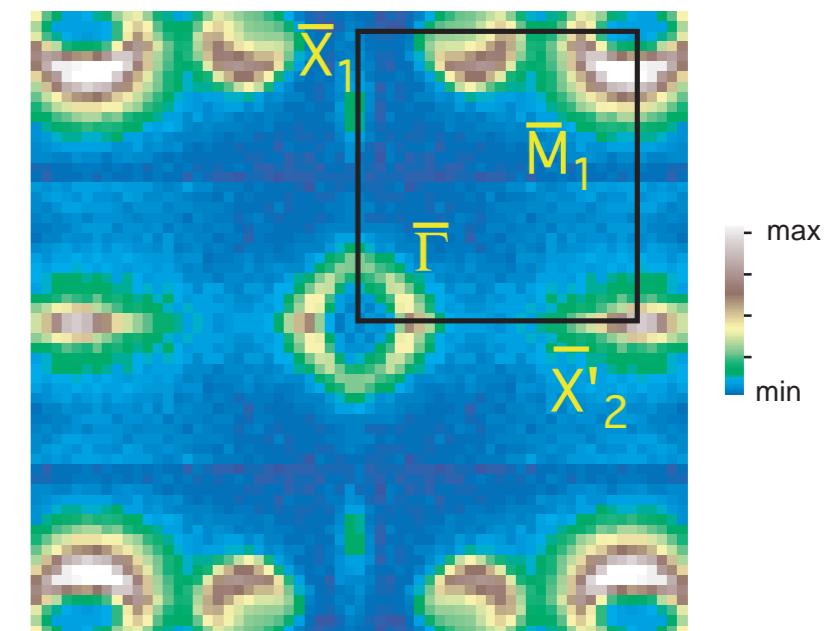


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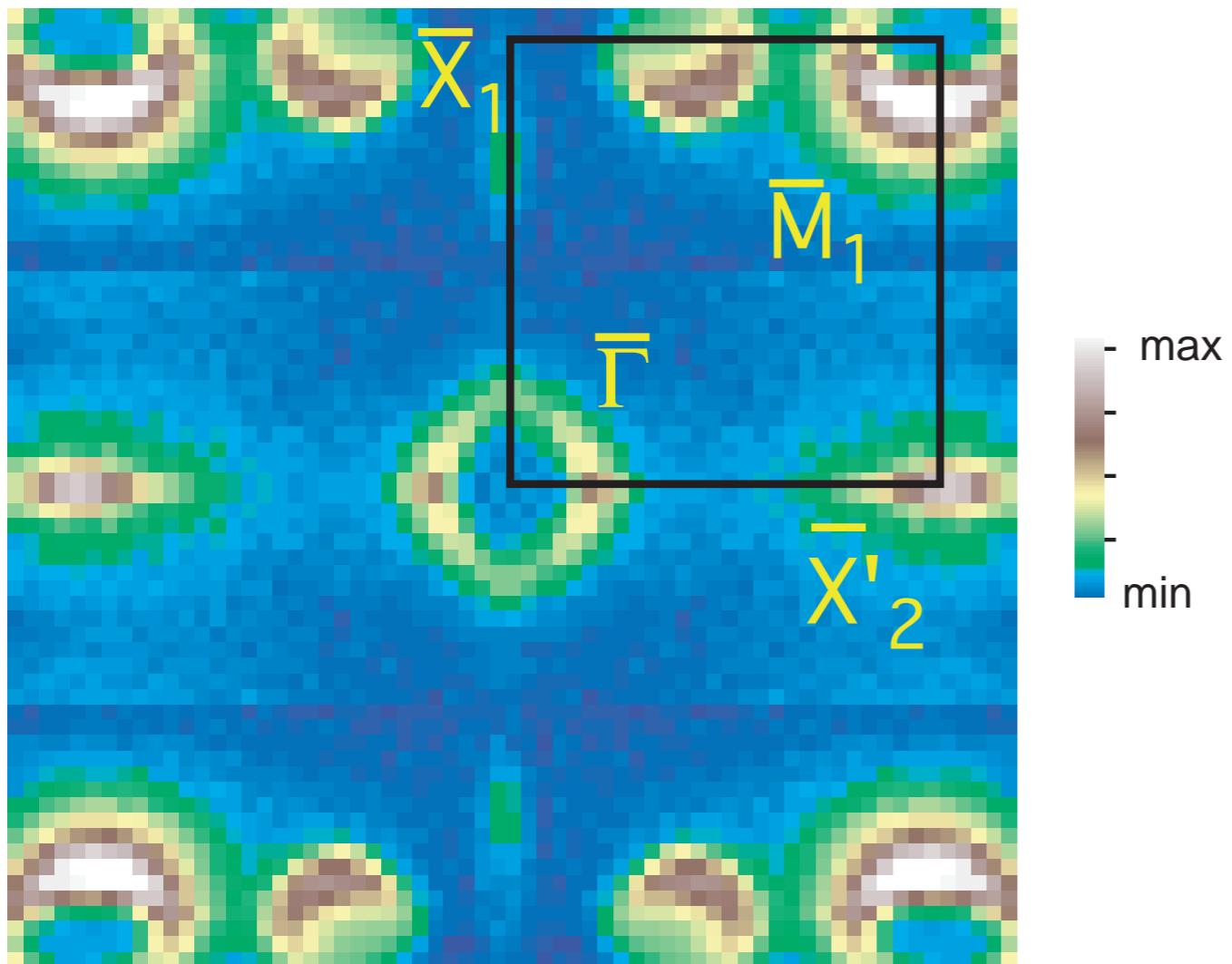
Fermi surface with spin:
schematic

$h\nu=16$ eV, $T=30$ K



waves on Bi(110)?

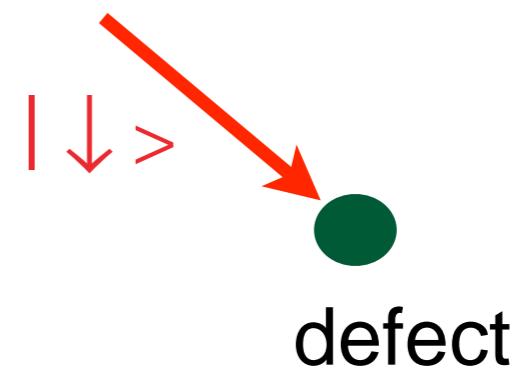
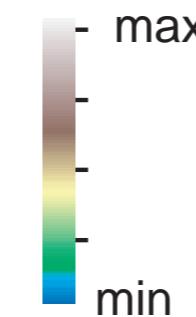
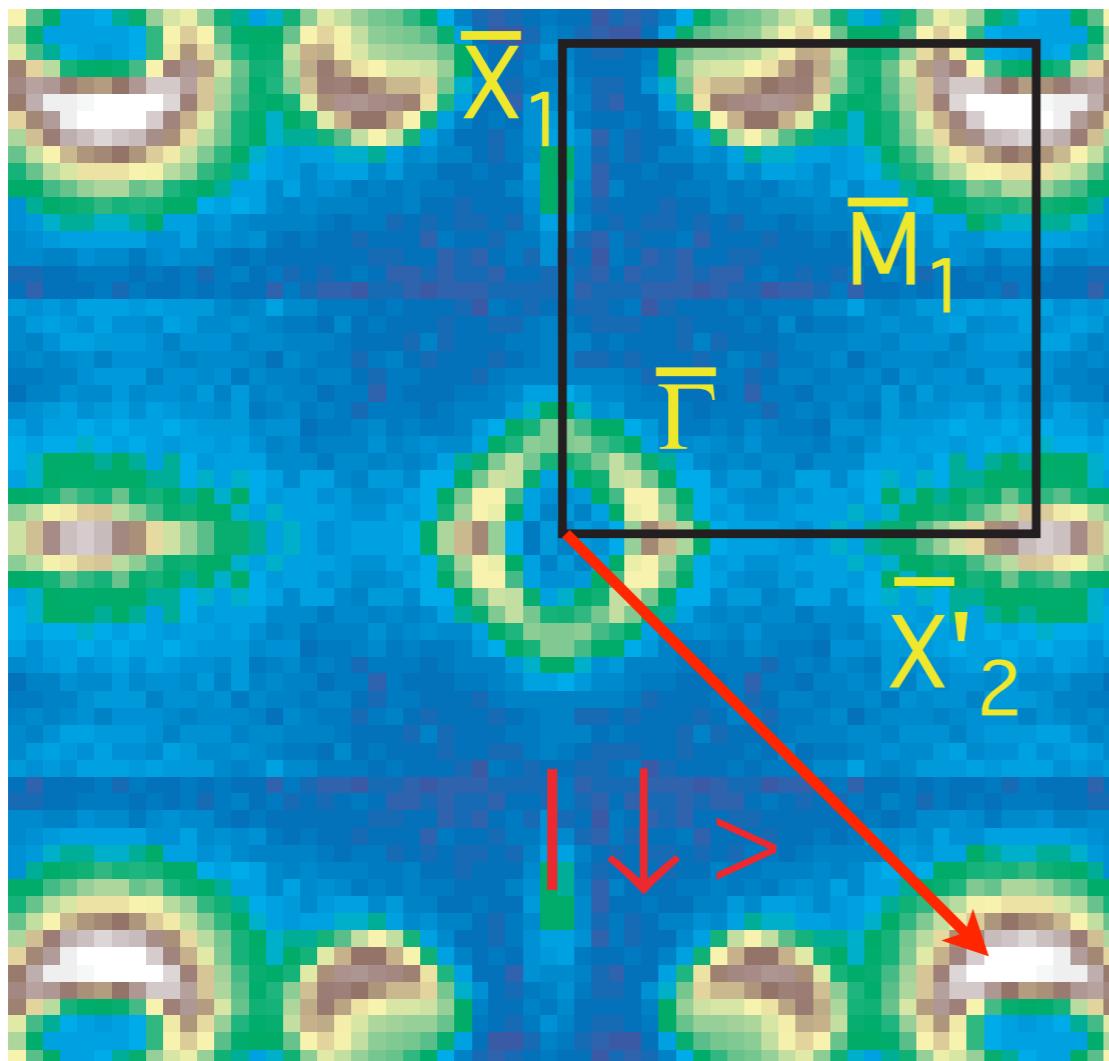
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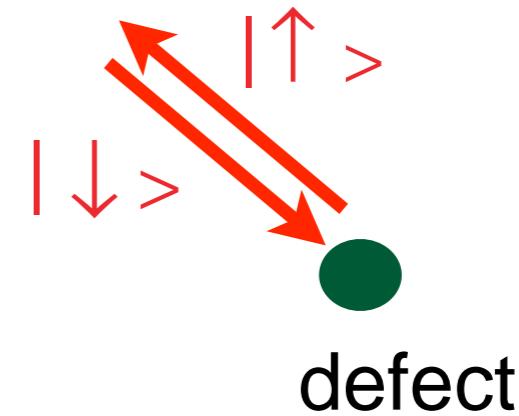
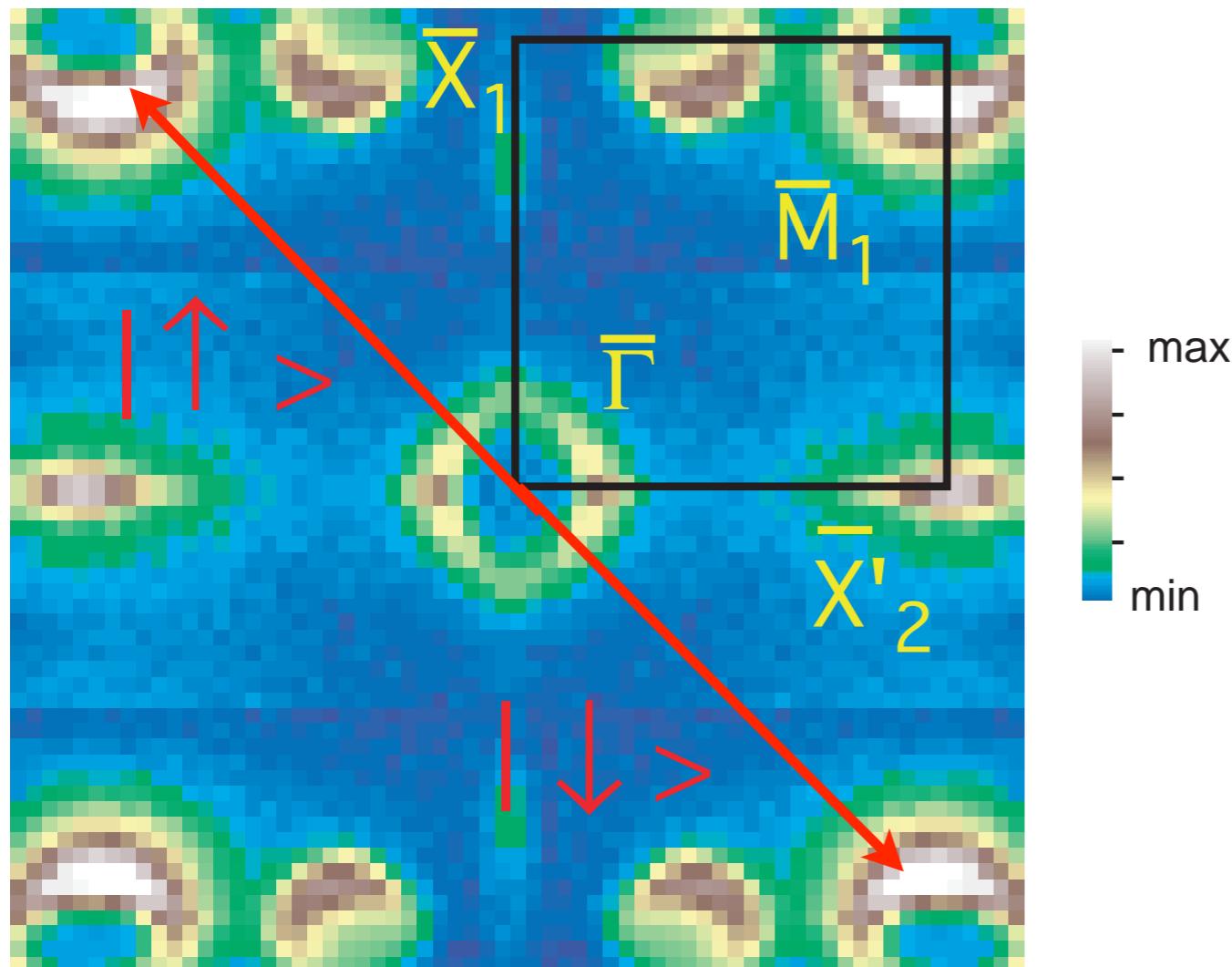
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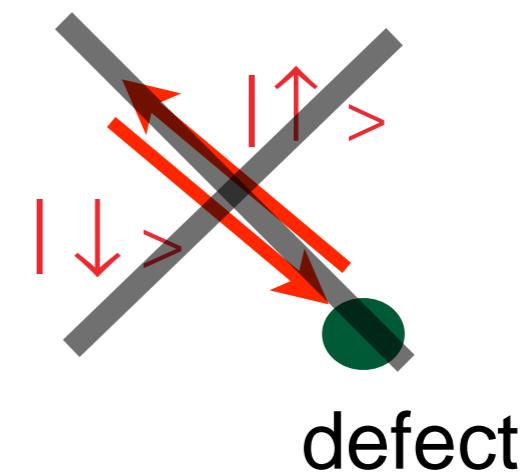
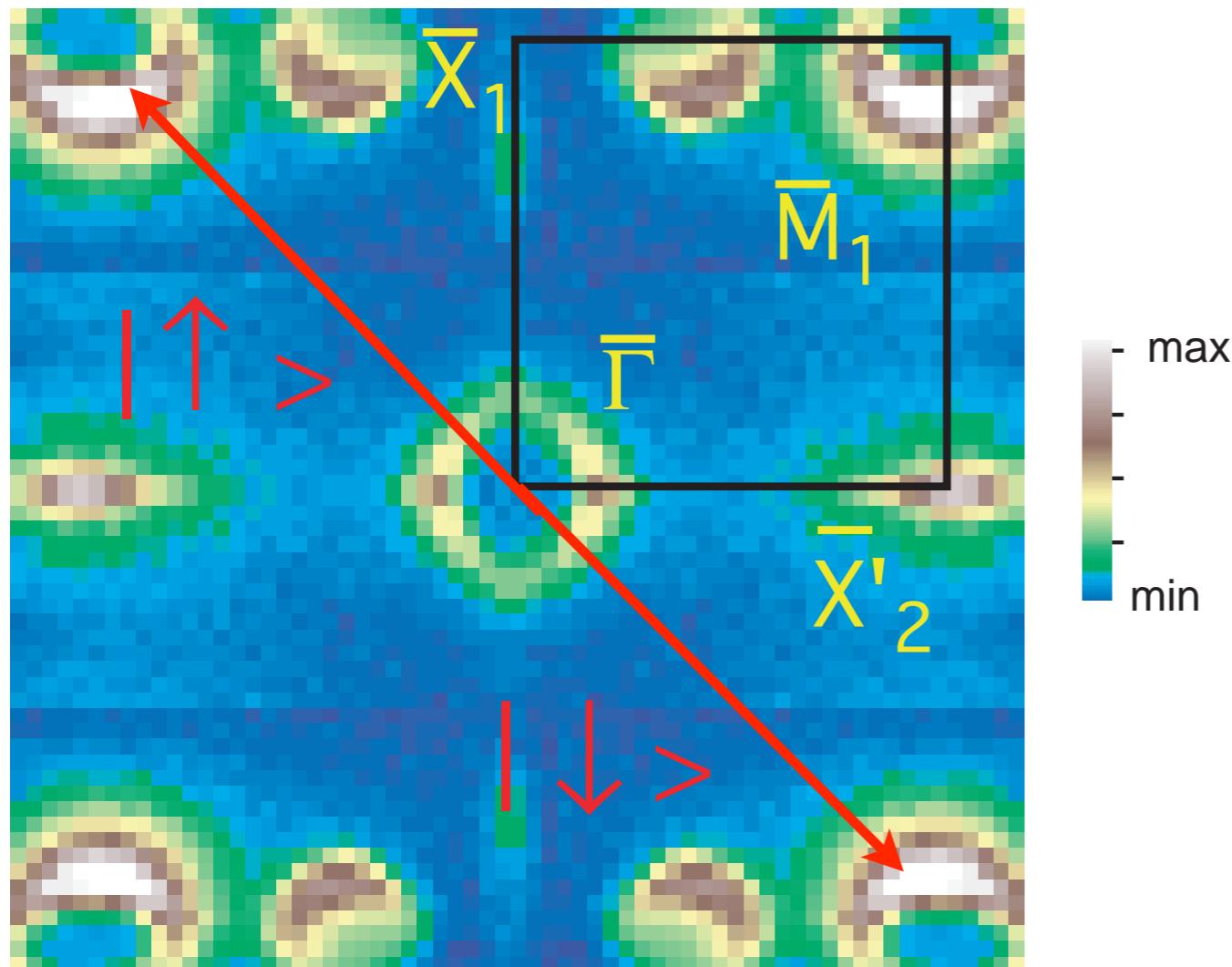
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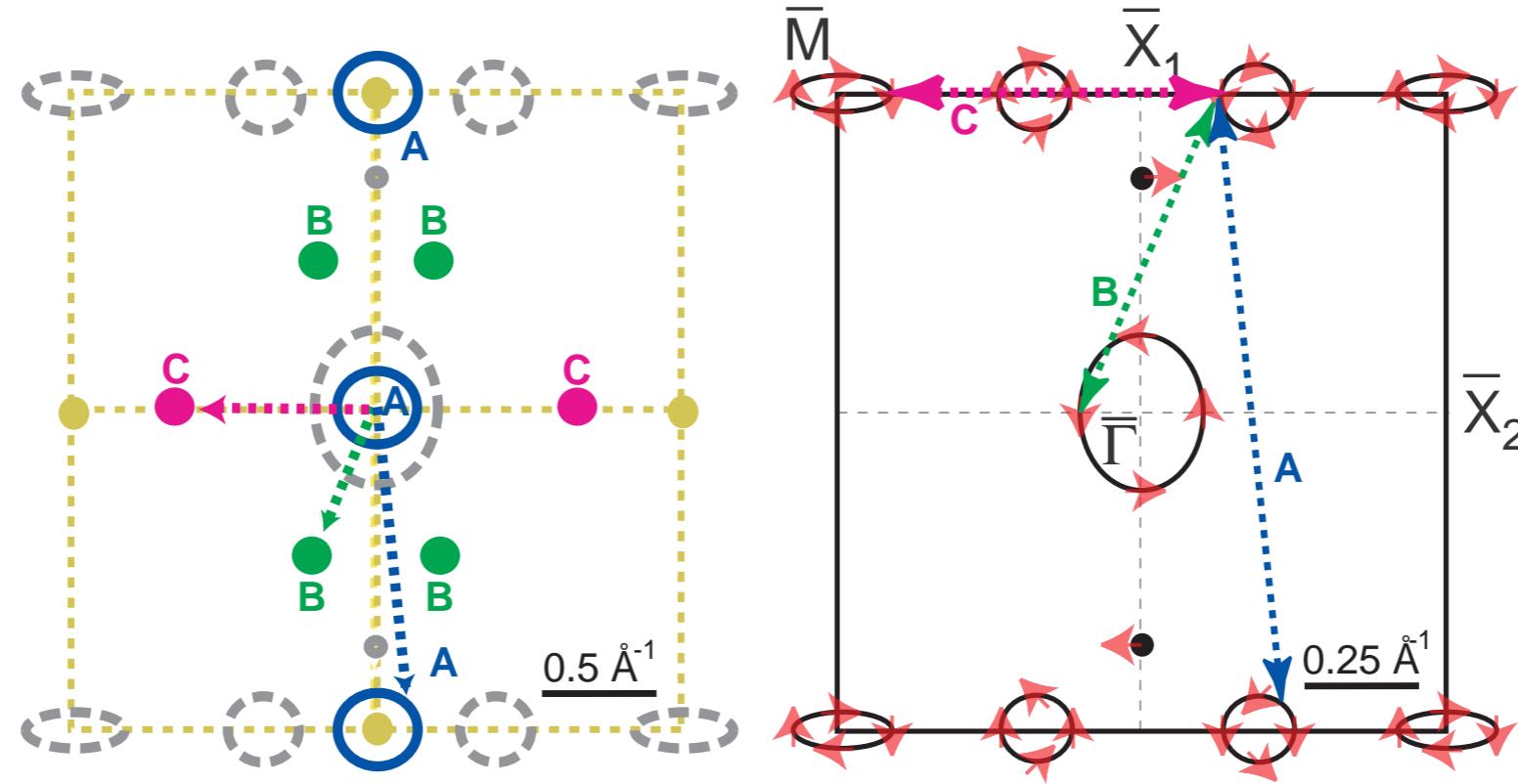
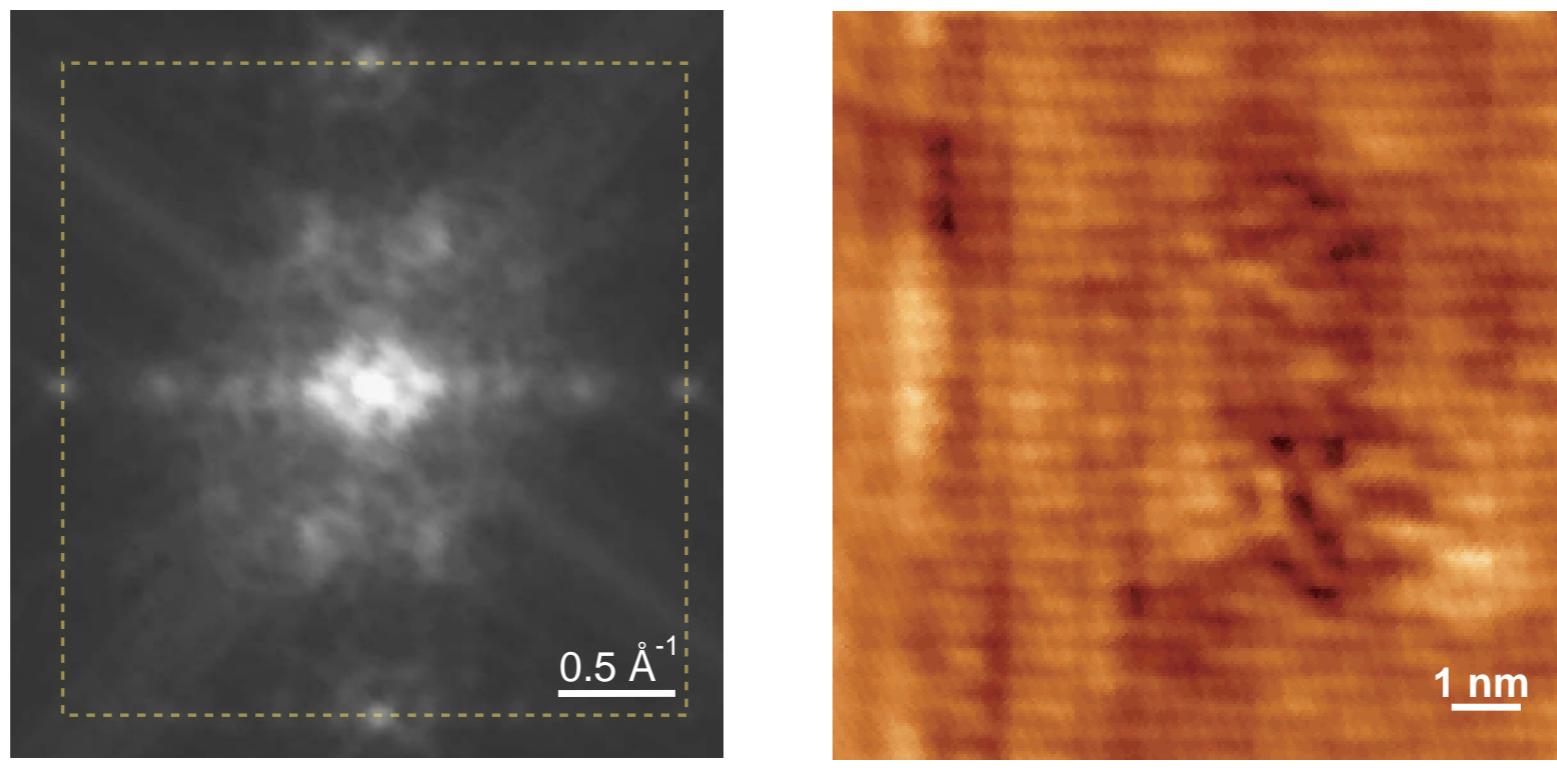
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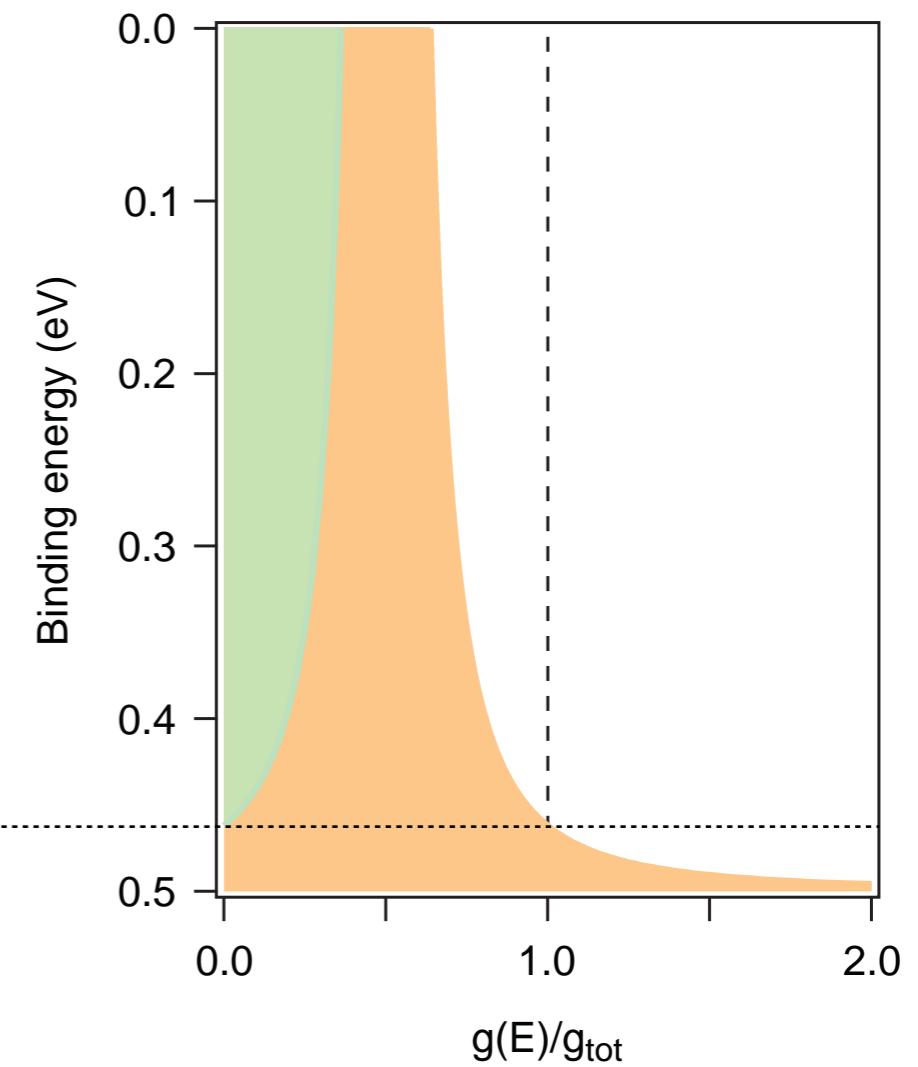
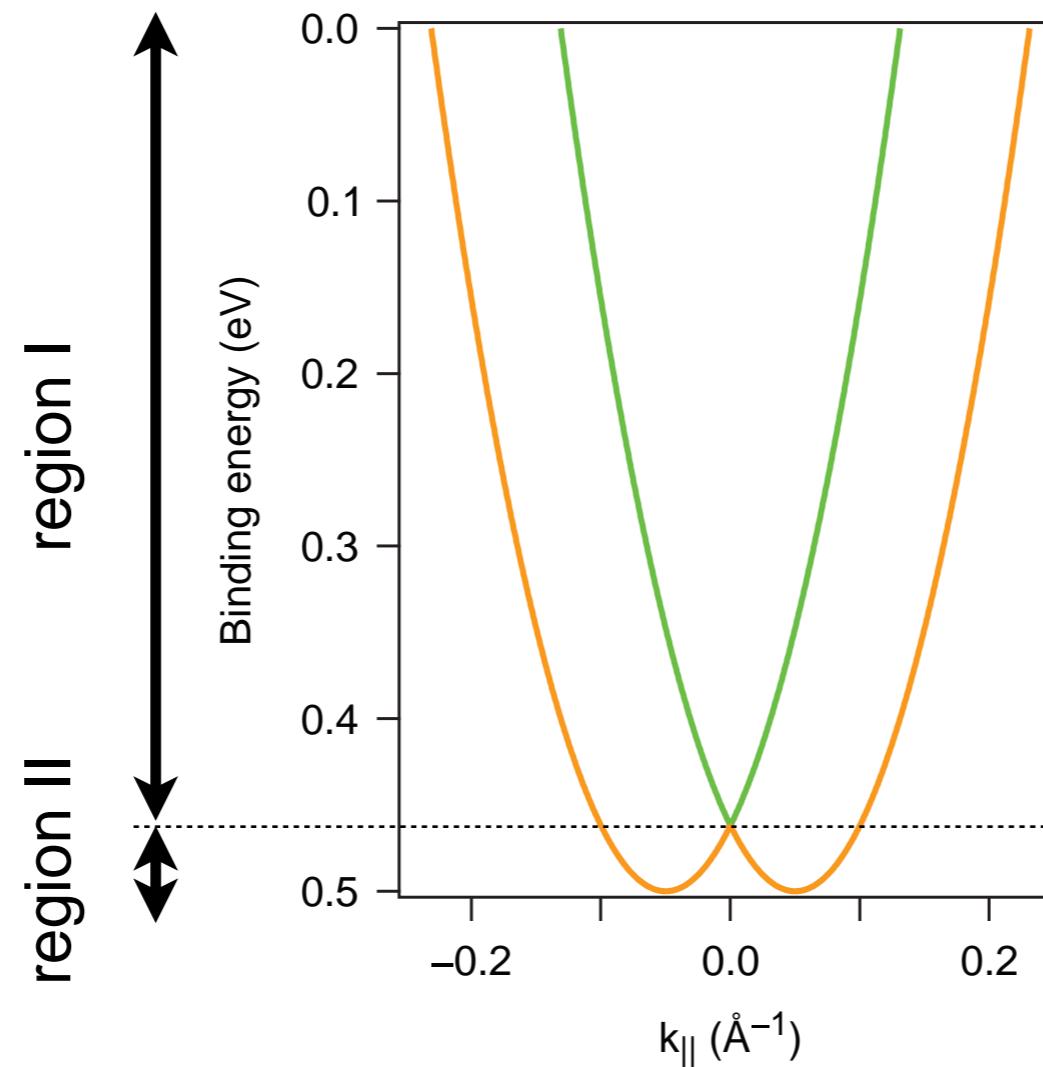
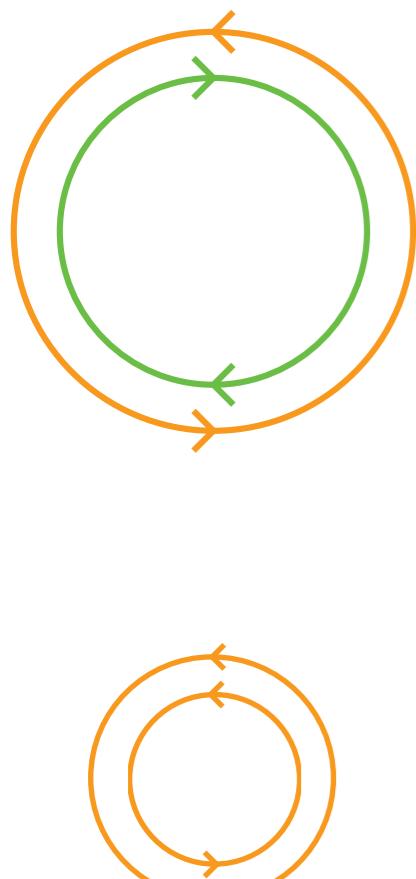
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spectroscopic images



electron-electron scattering in a Rashba system: detailed theory / experiment

density of states



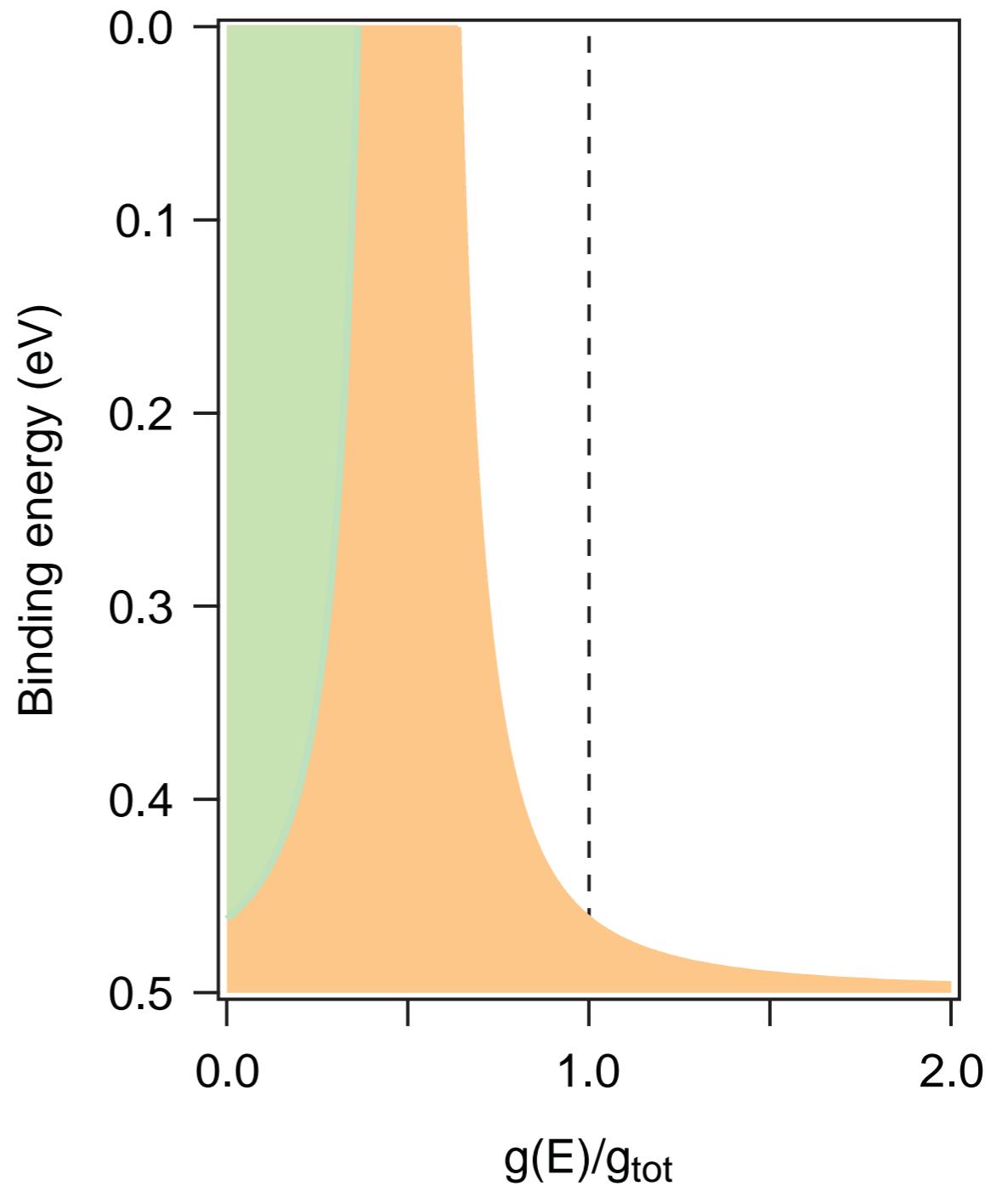
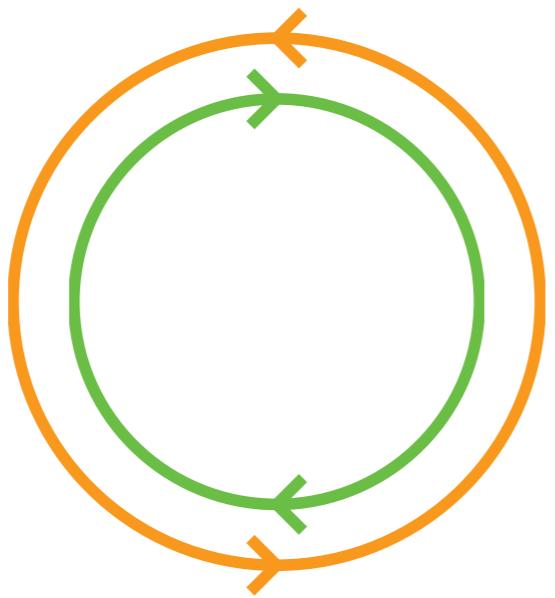
no SOI

$$g(E) = \frac{|m^*|}{\pi \hbar^2}$$

finite SOI

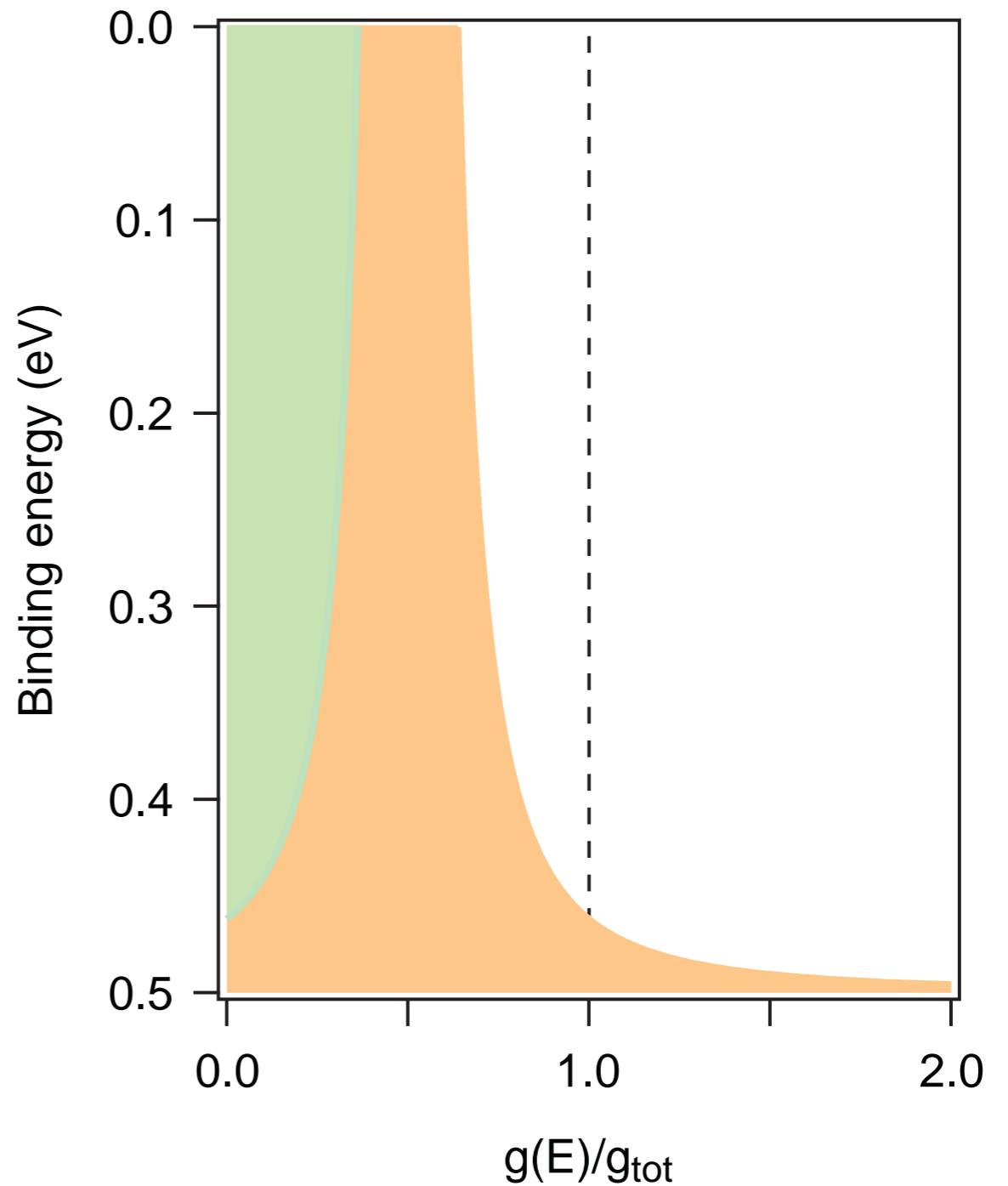
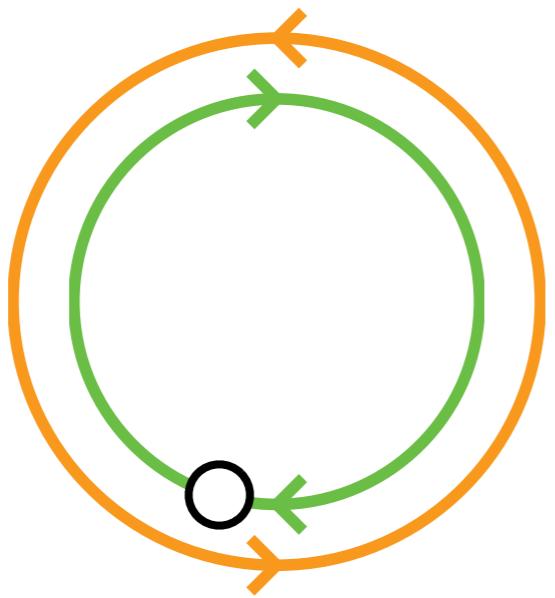
$$g(E) = \frac{|m^*|}{2\pi \hbar^2} \pm \frac{k_0}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2|m^*|}{\hbar^2}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{E - E_0}}$$

spin-dependent lifetimes?



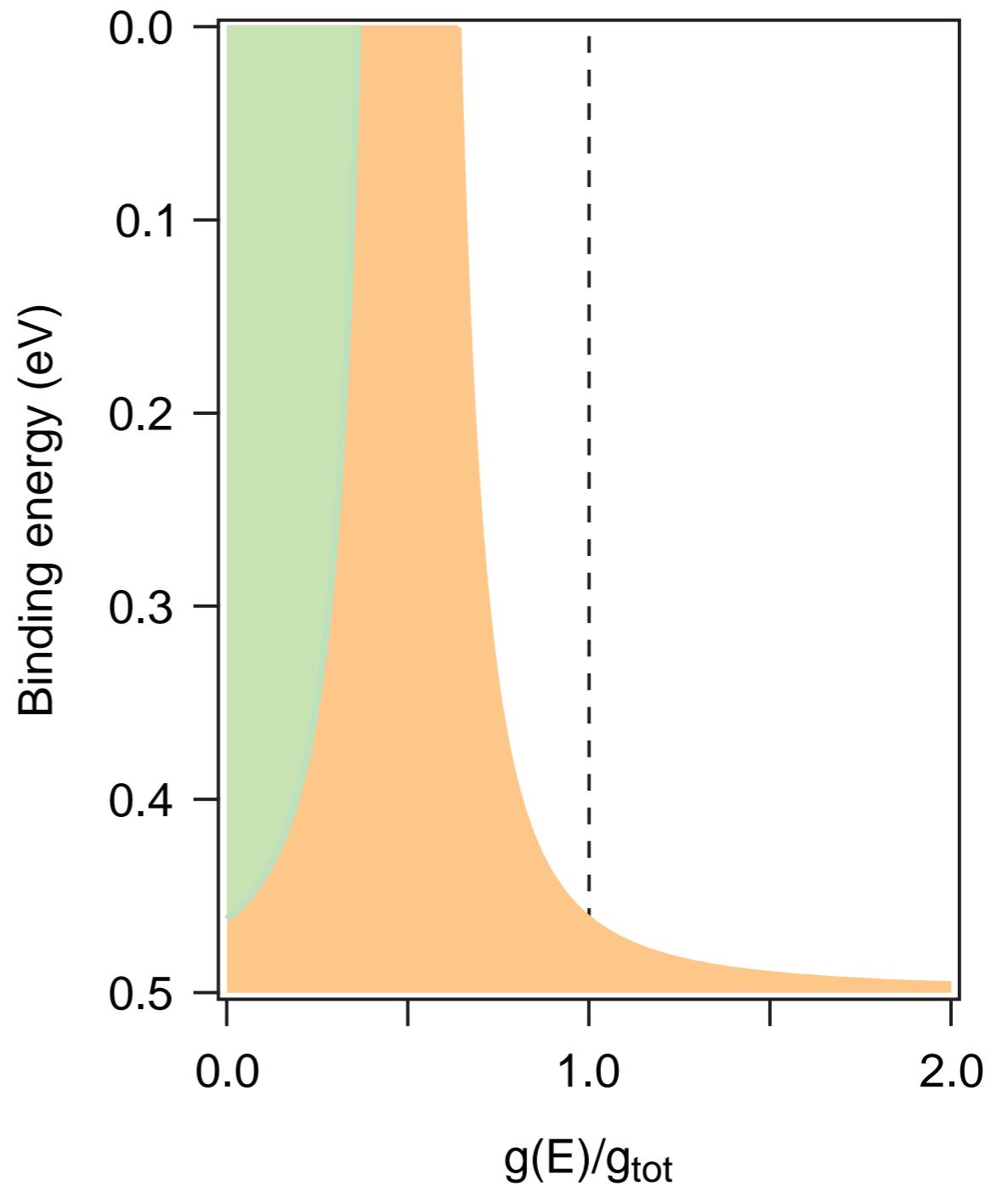
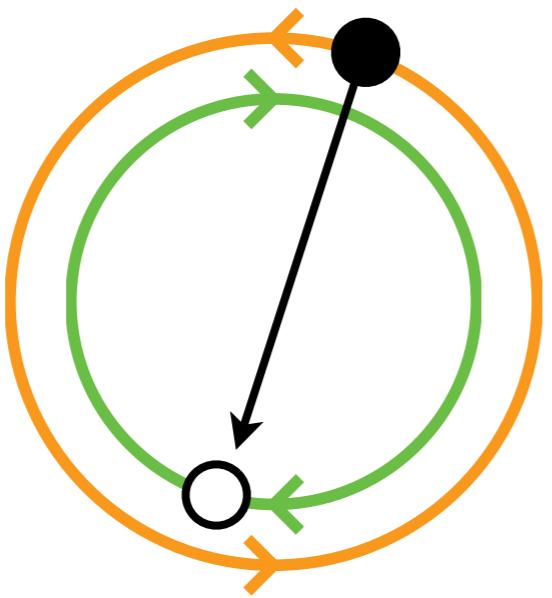
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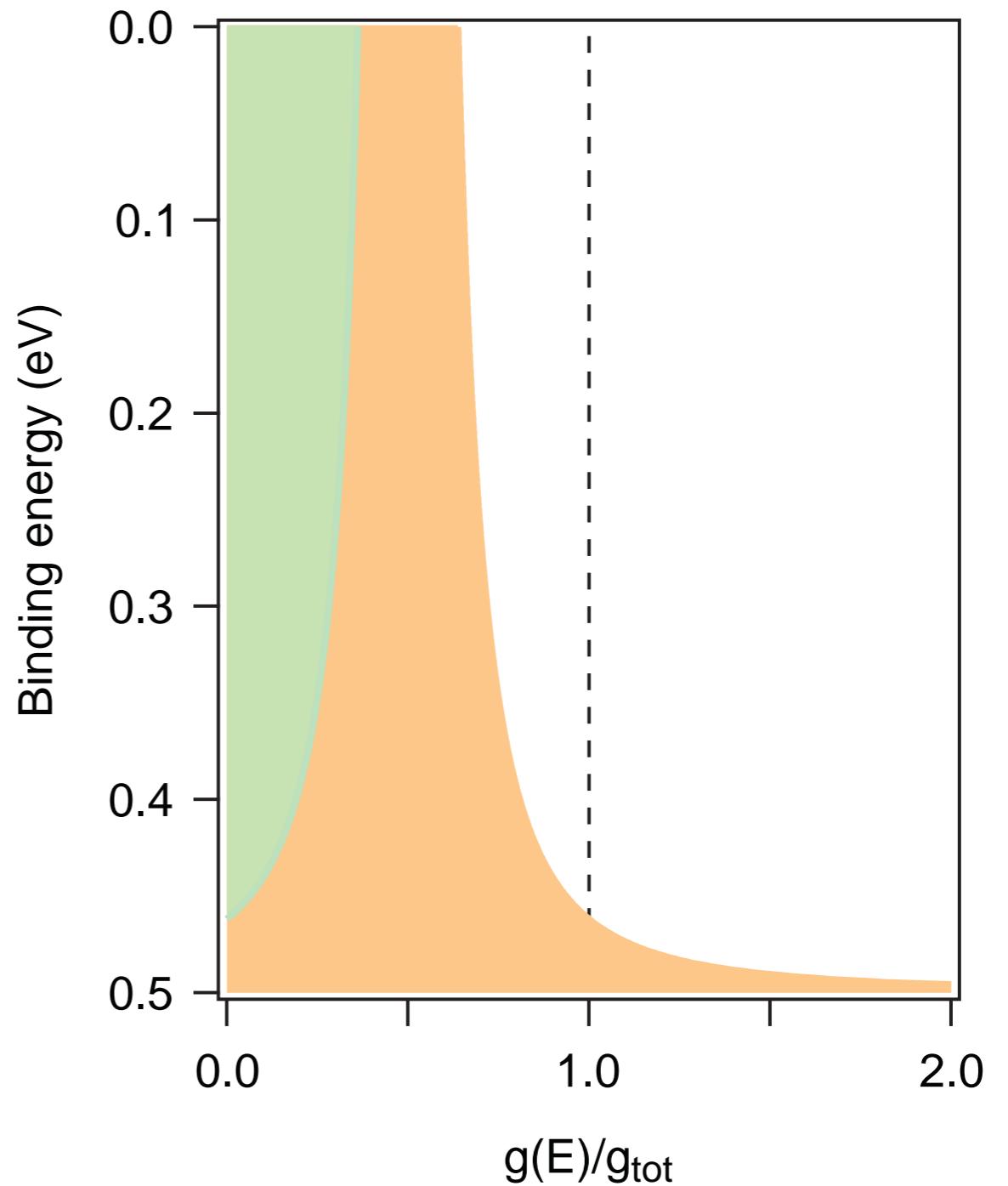
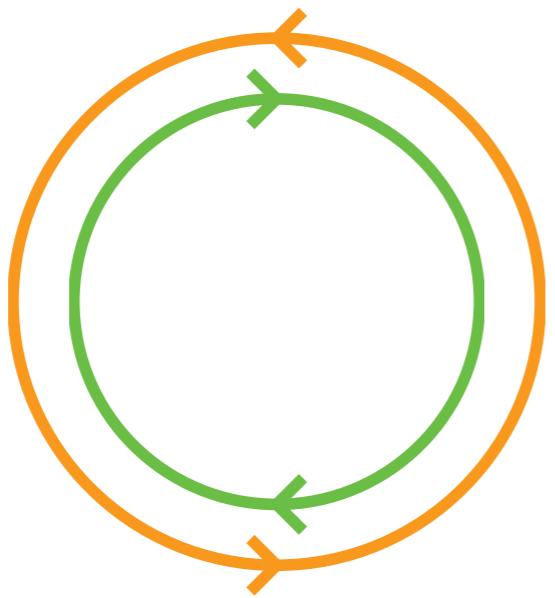
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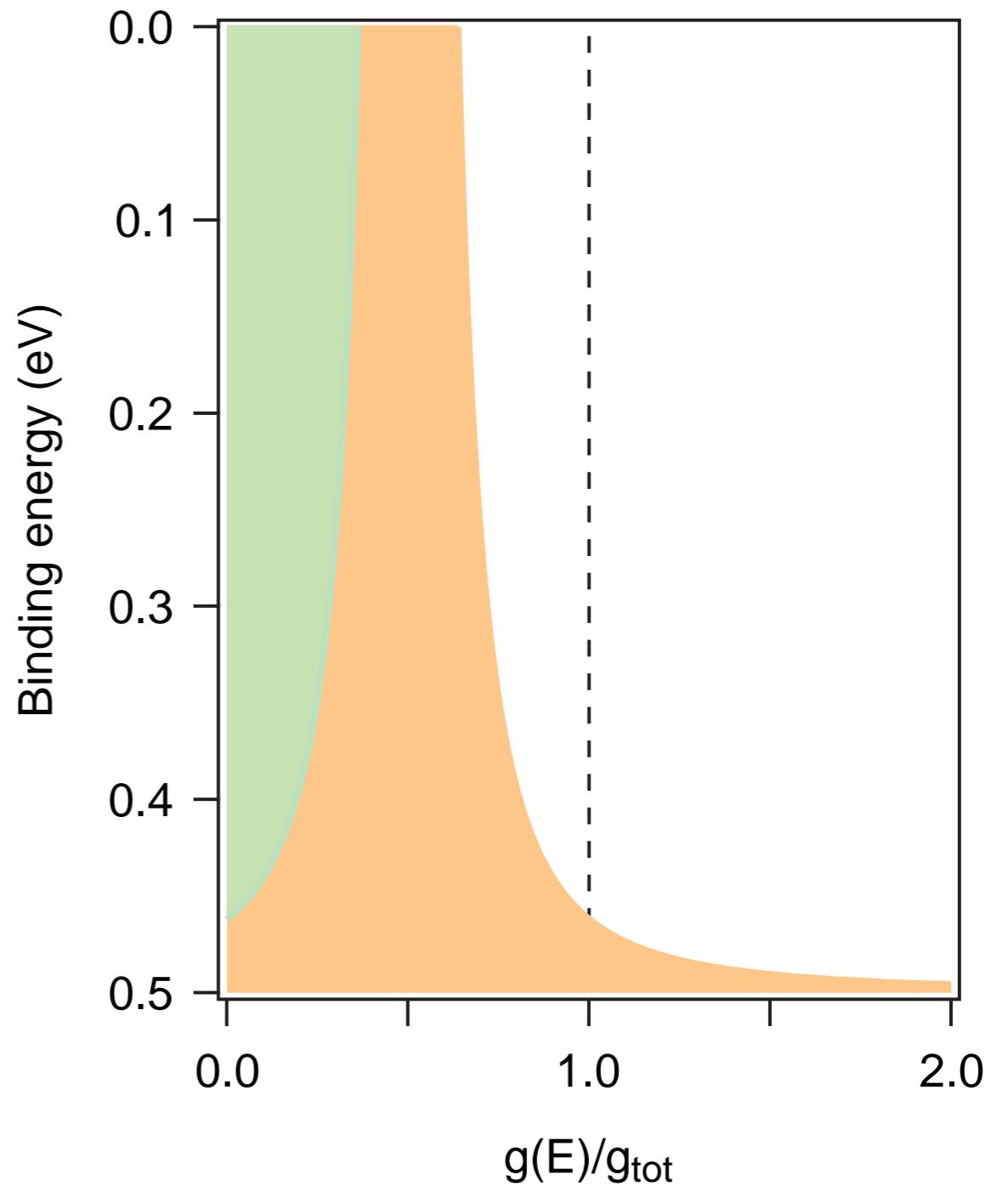
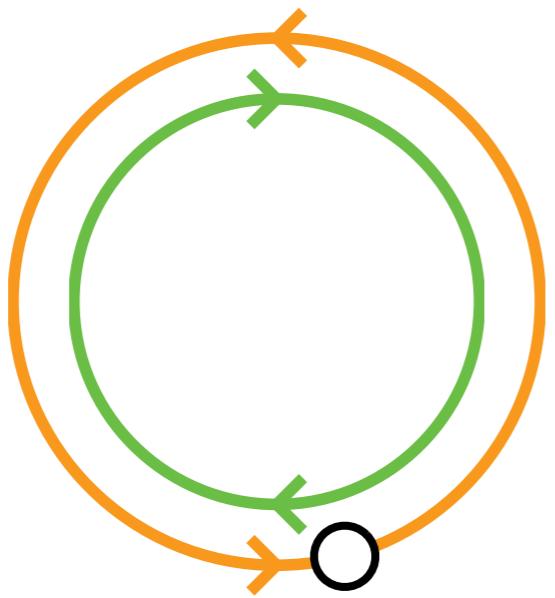
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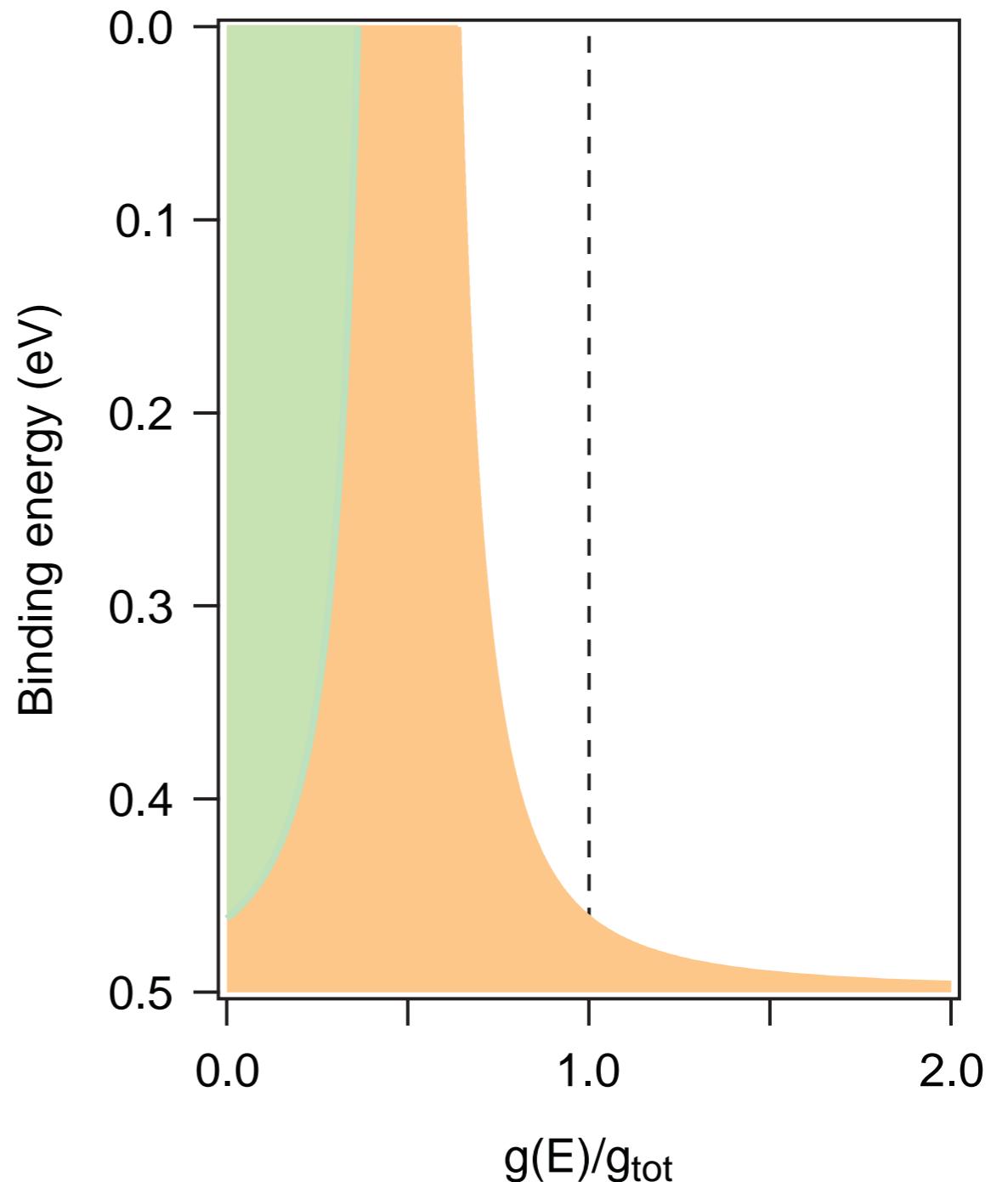
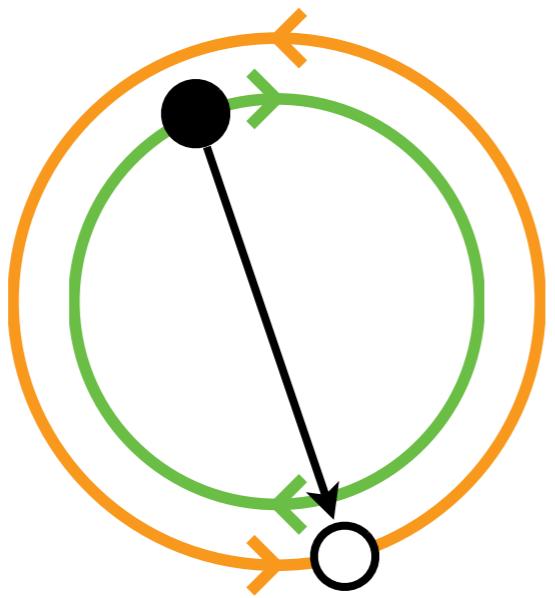
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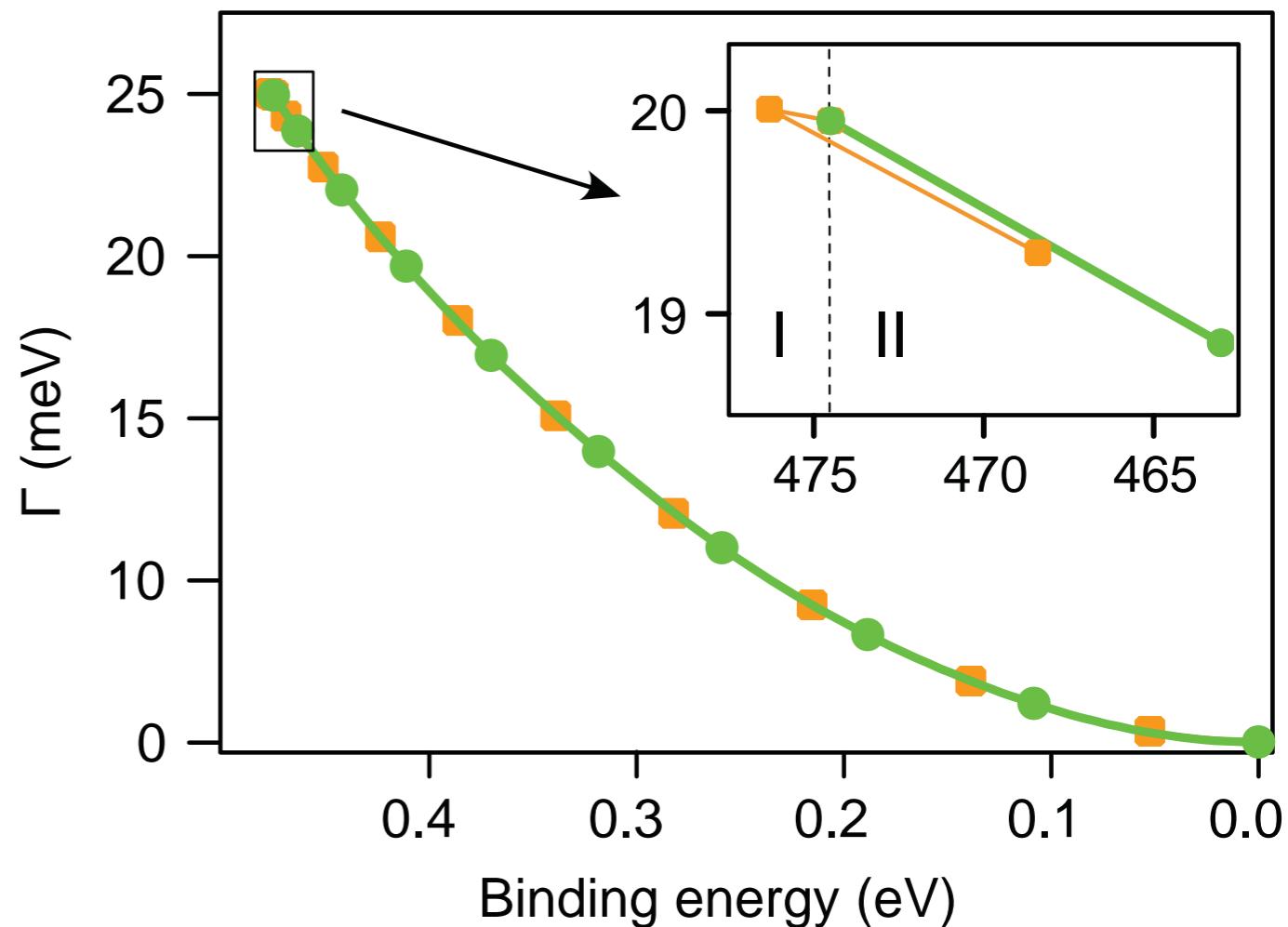


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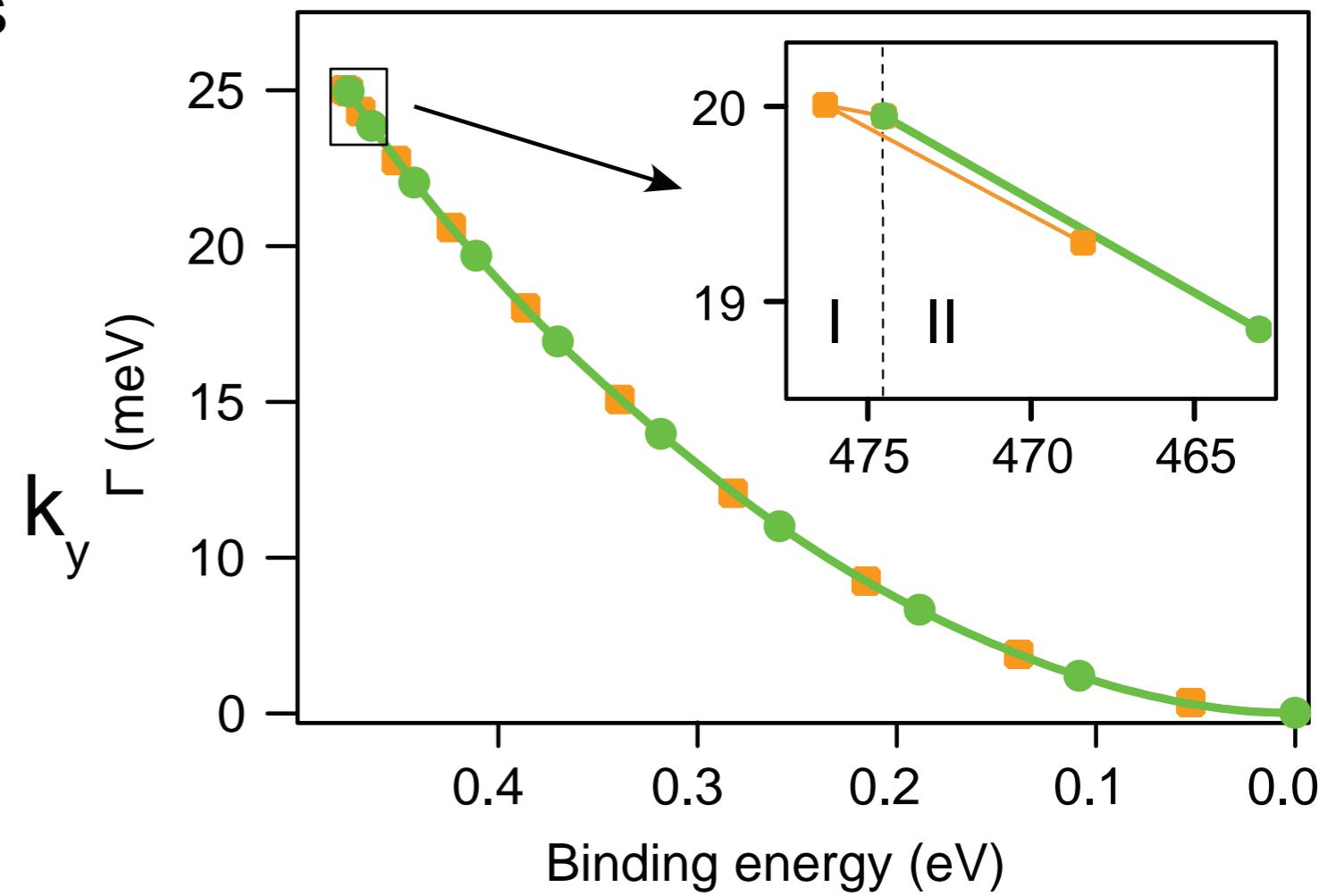
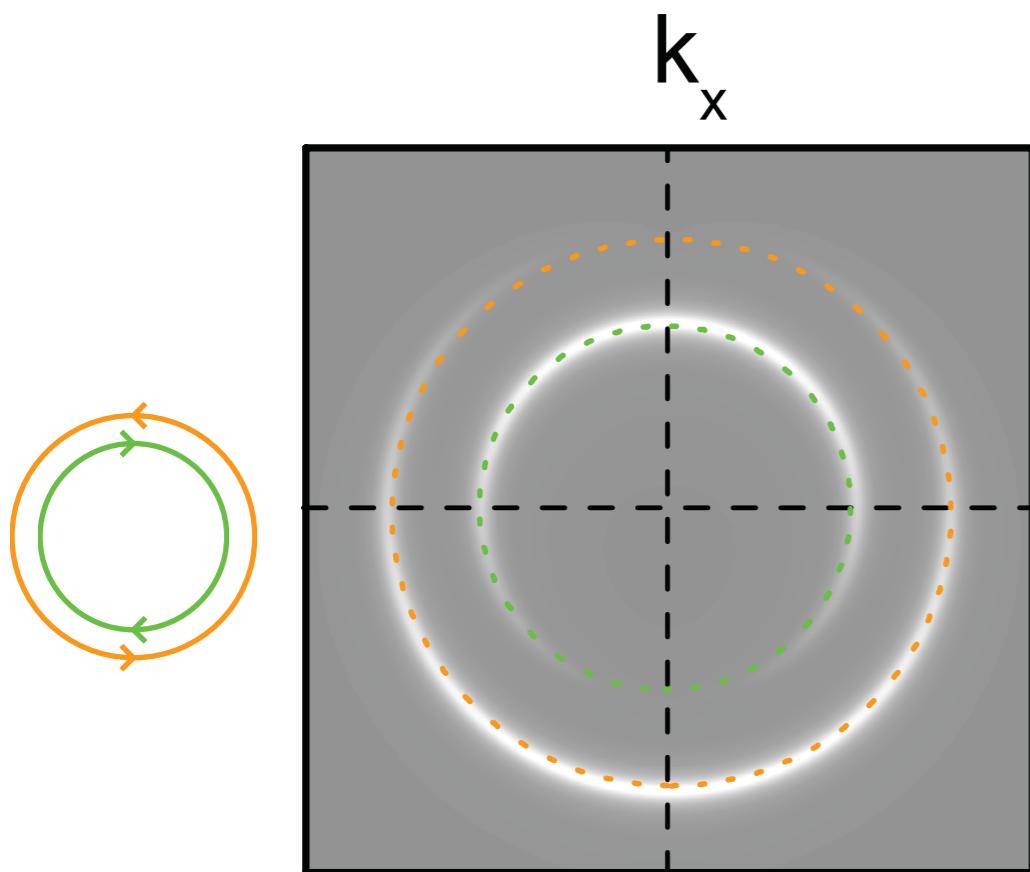
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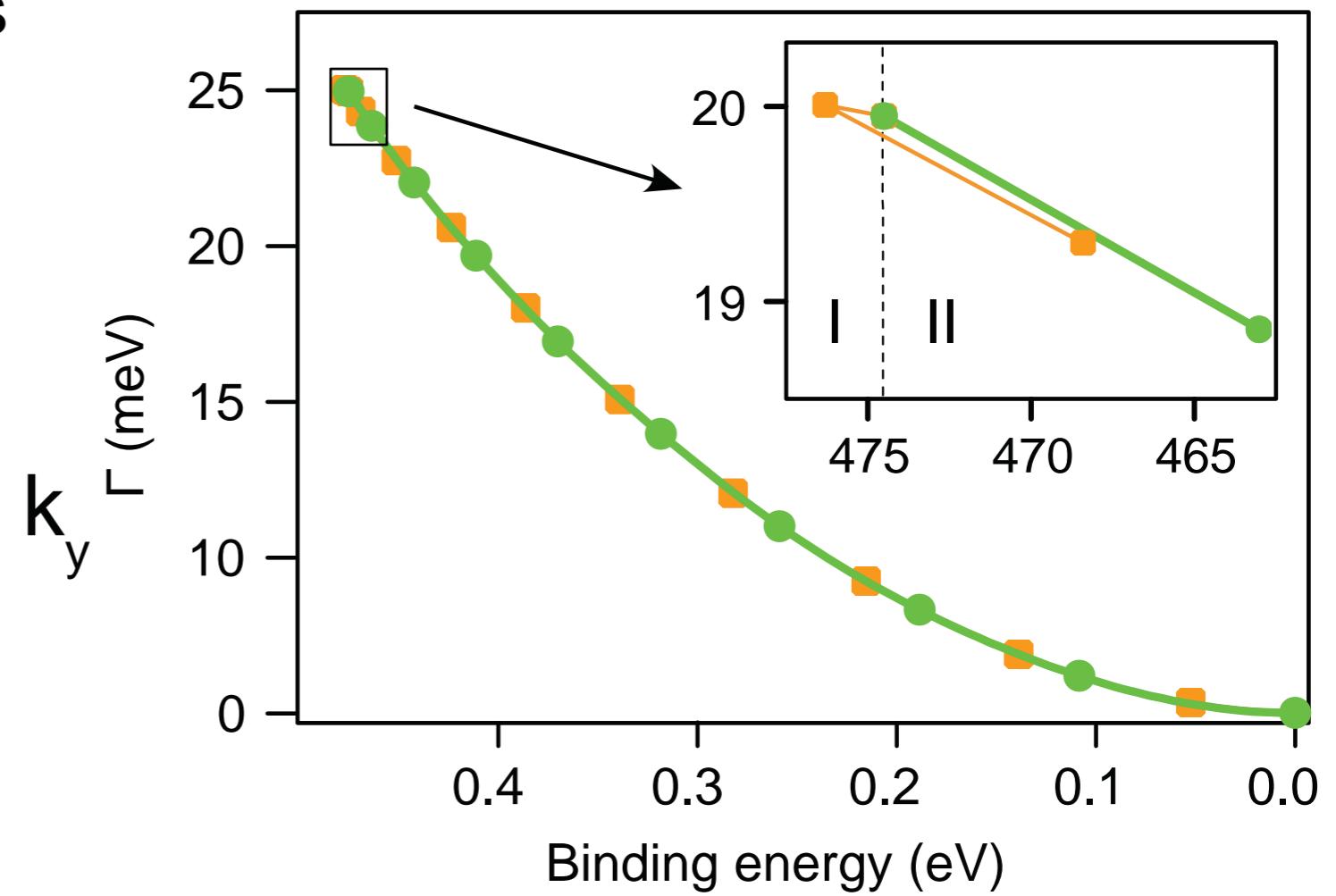
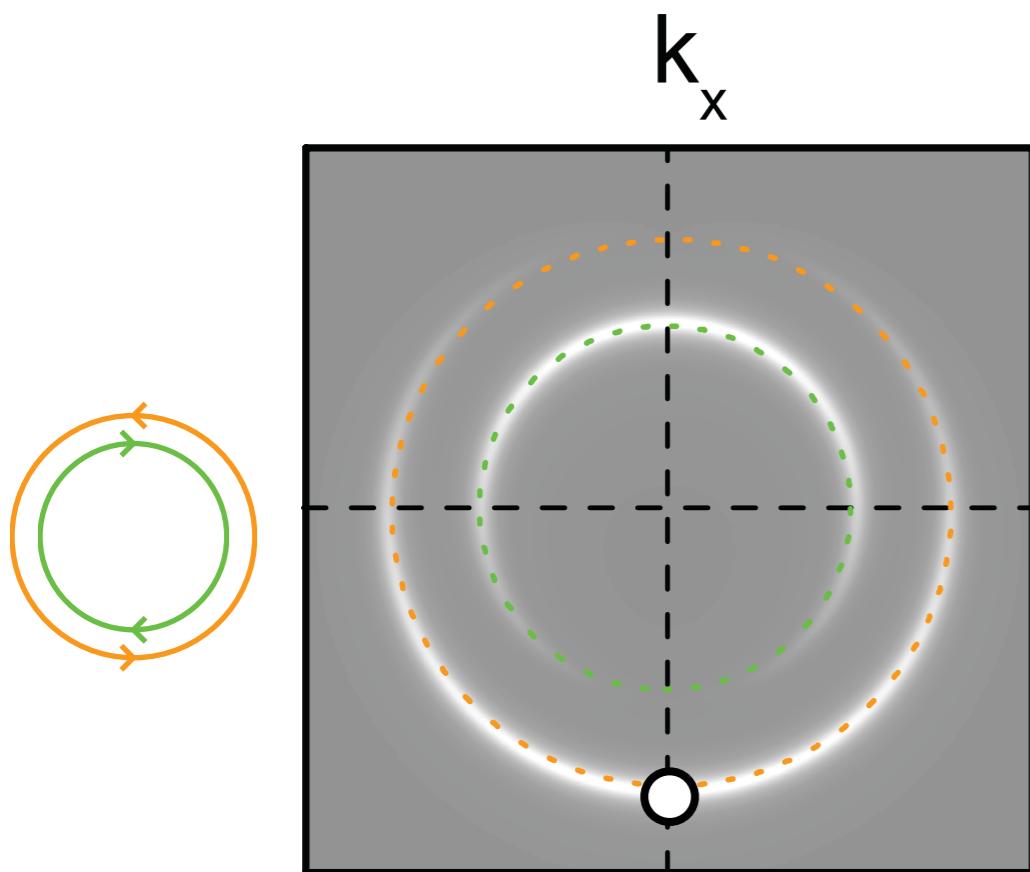


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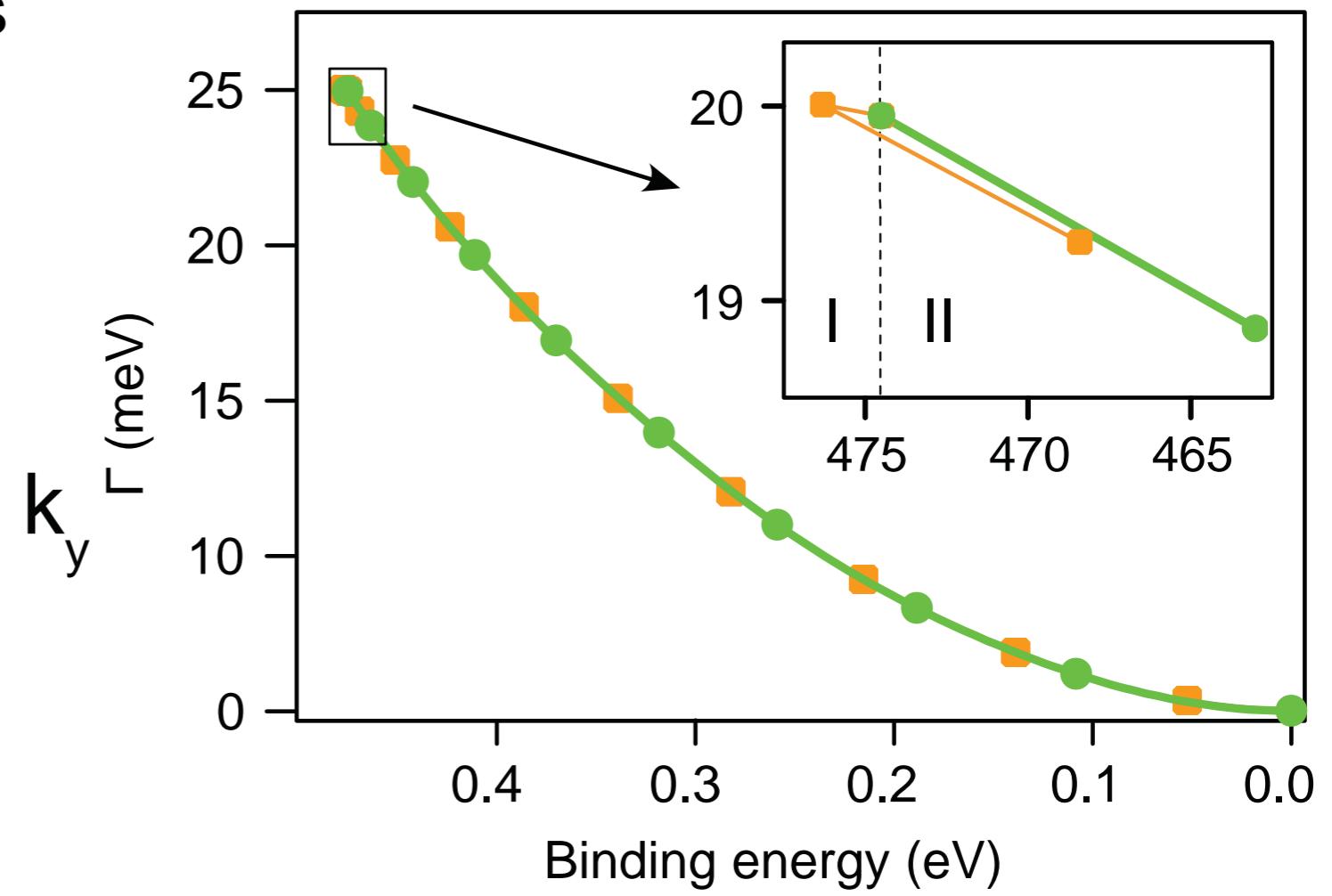
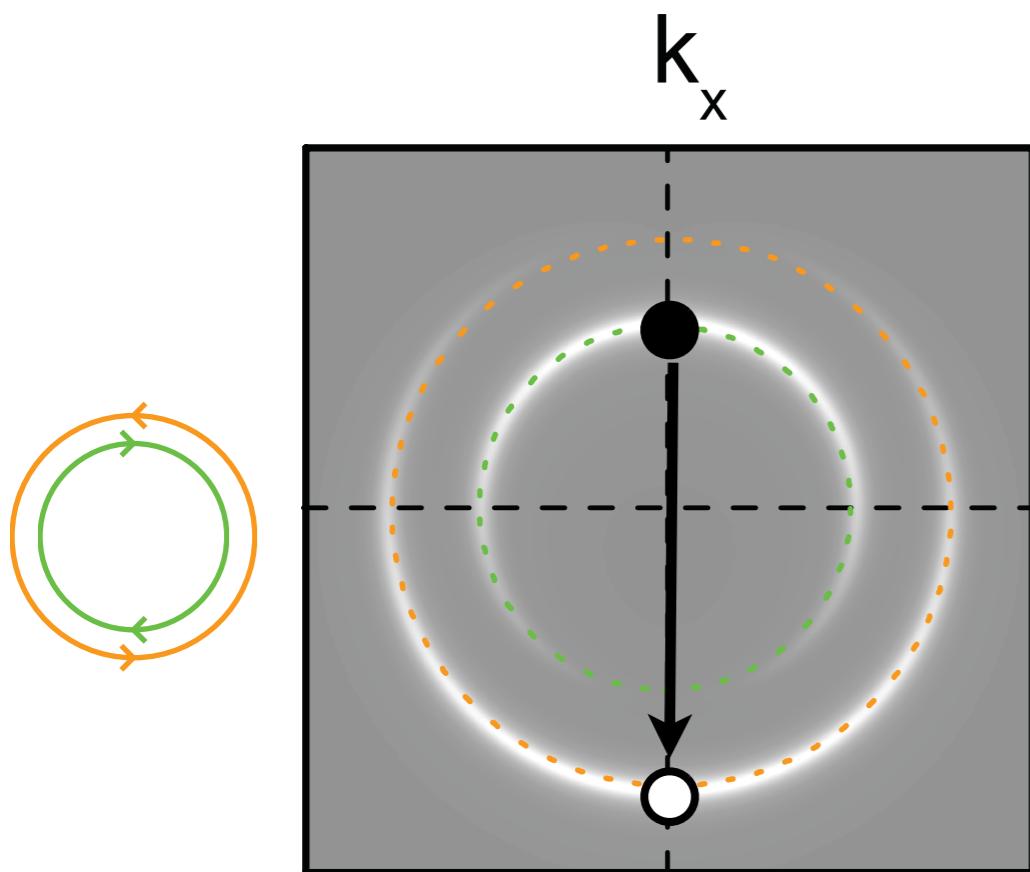


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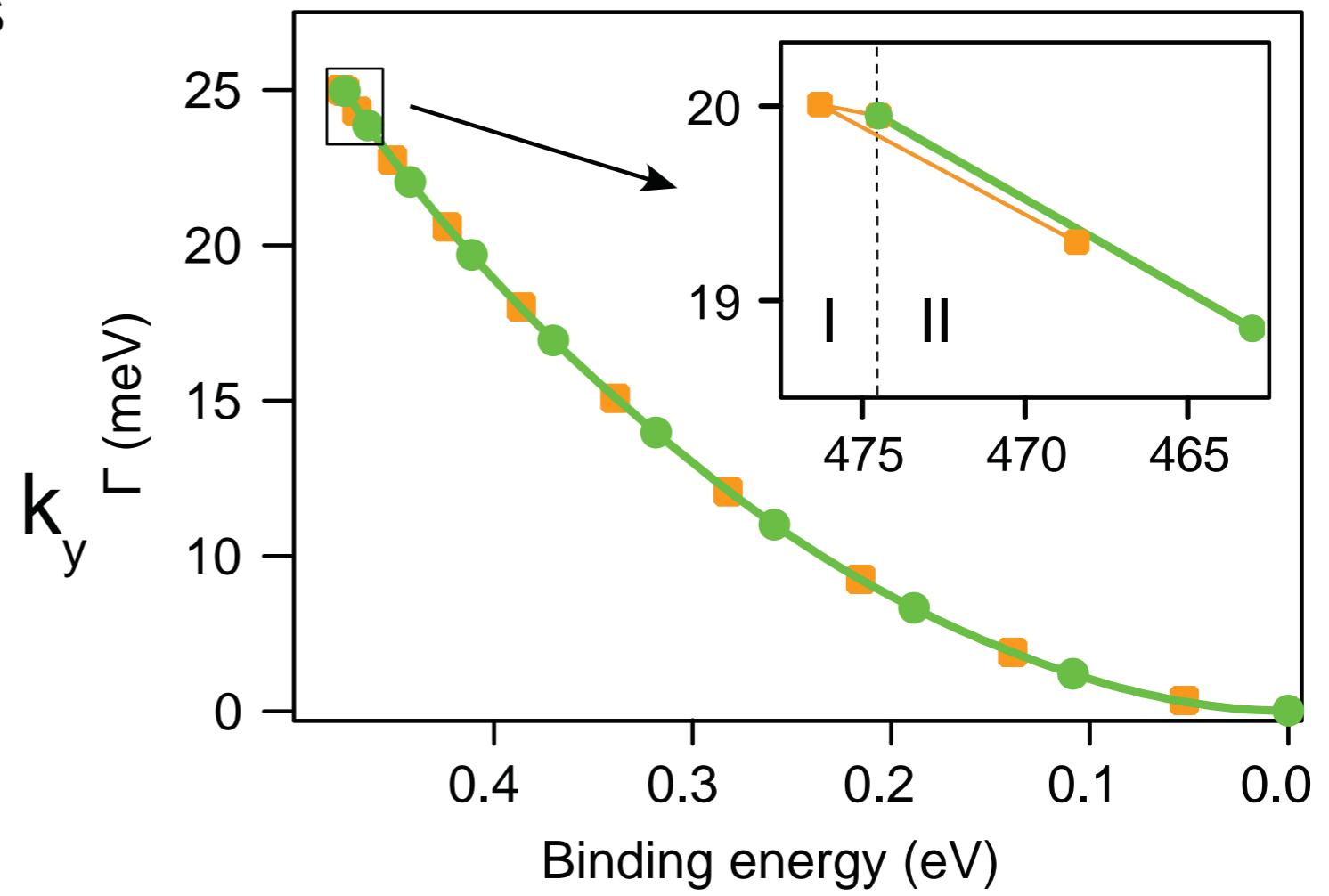
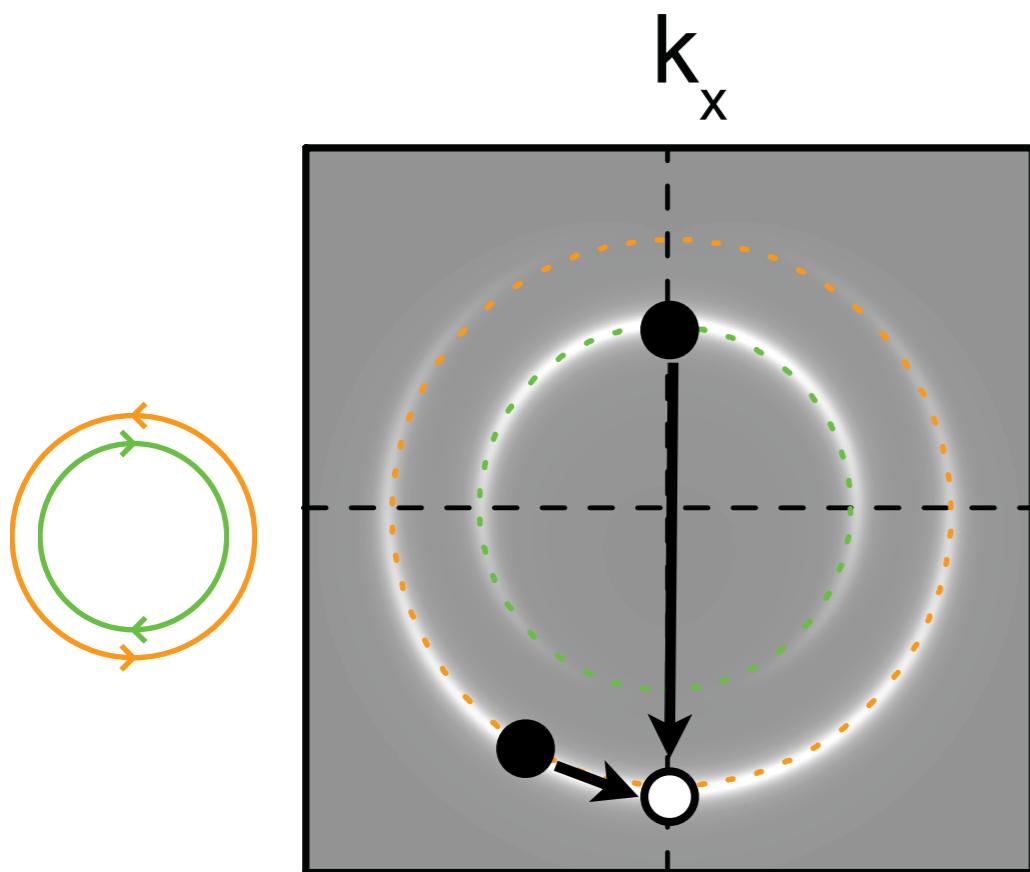


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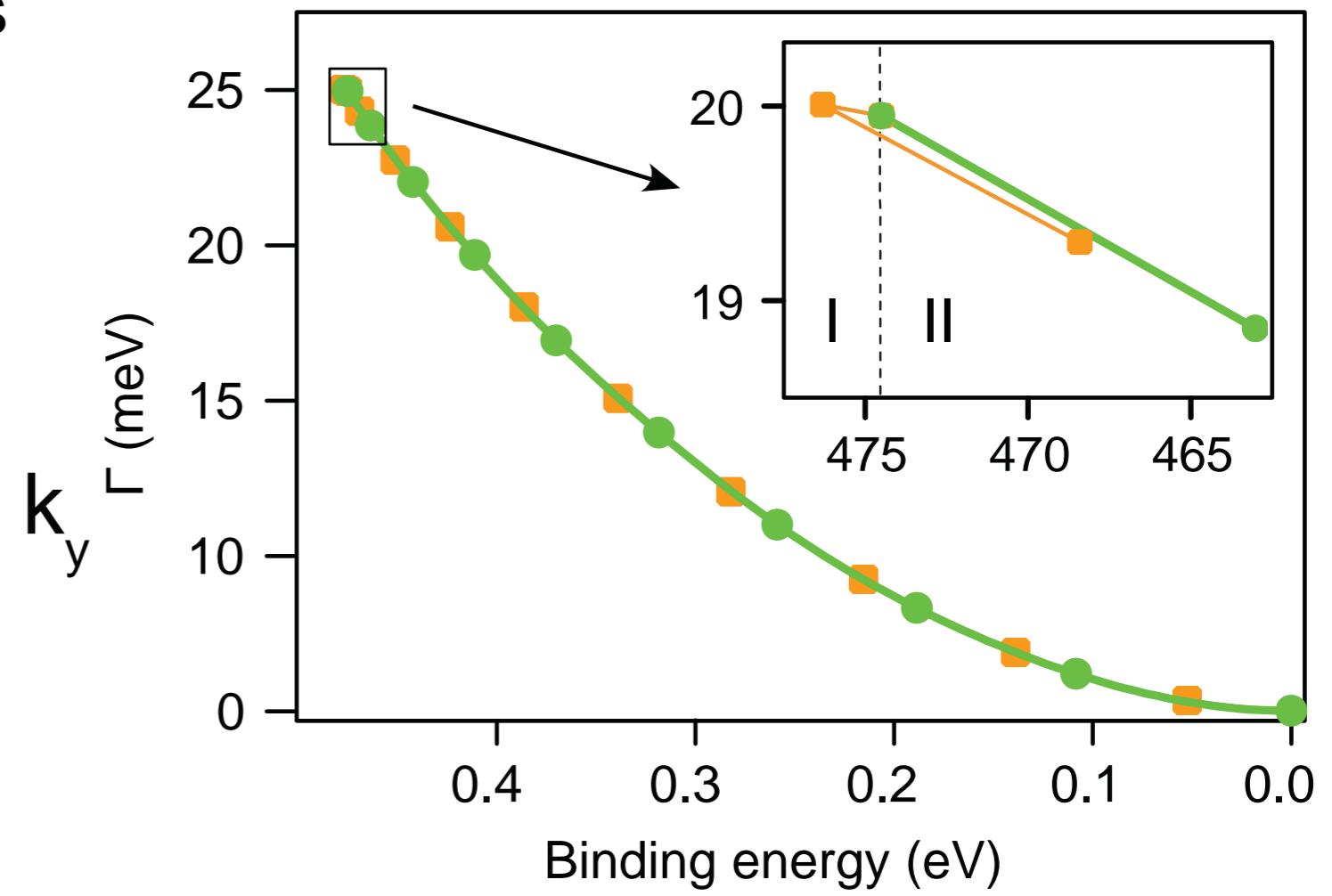
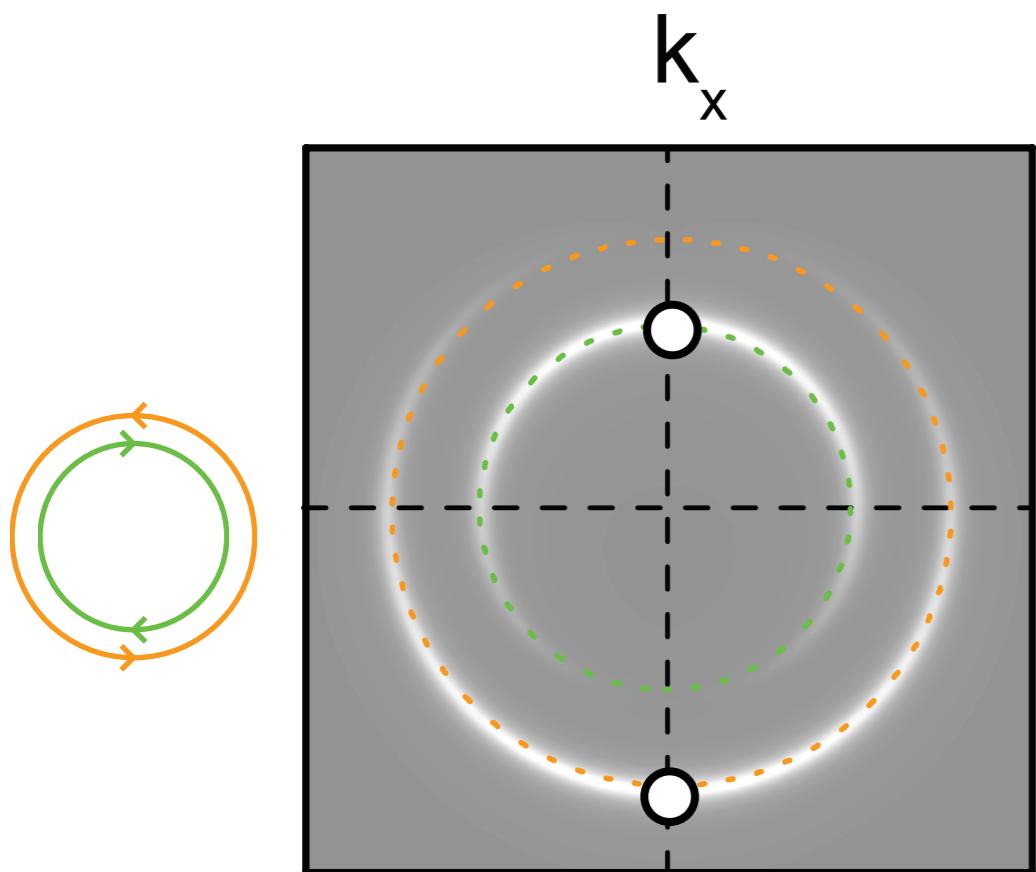


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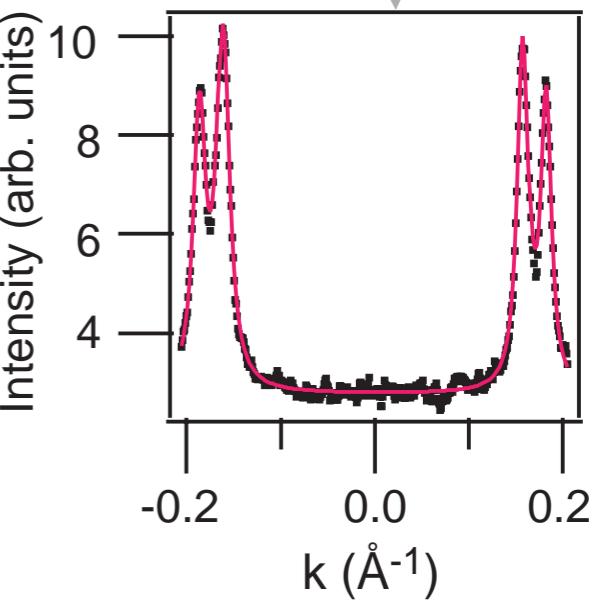
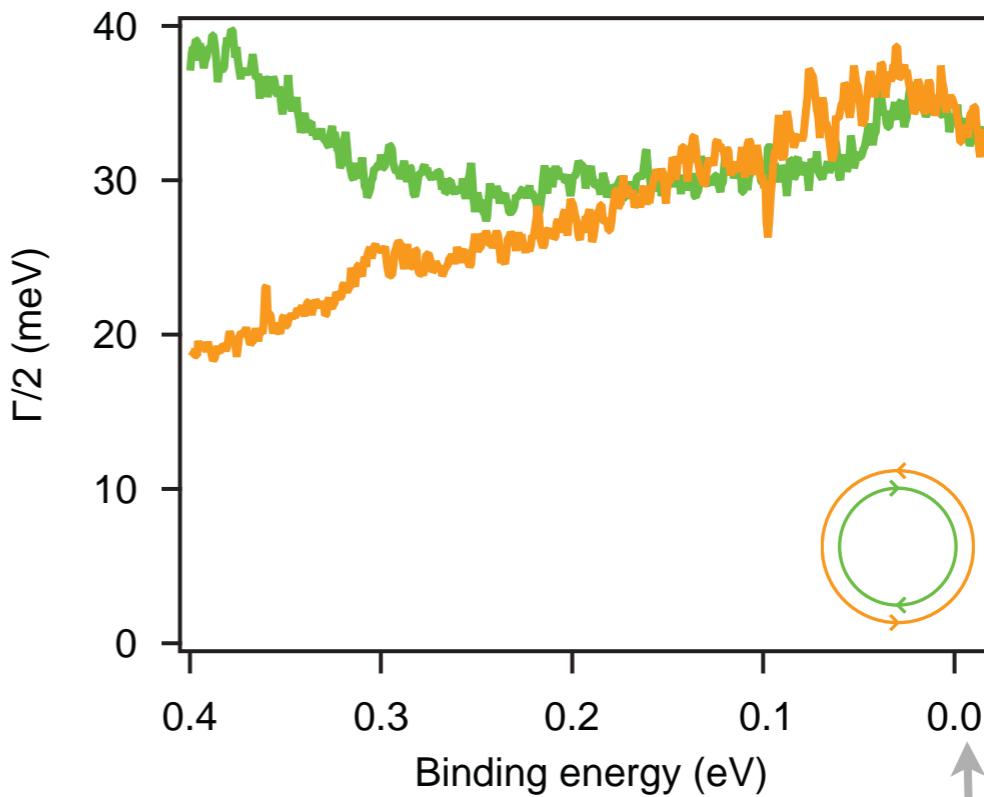
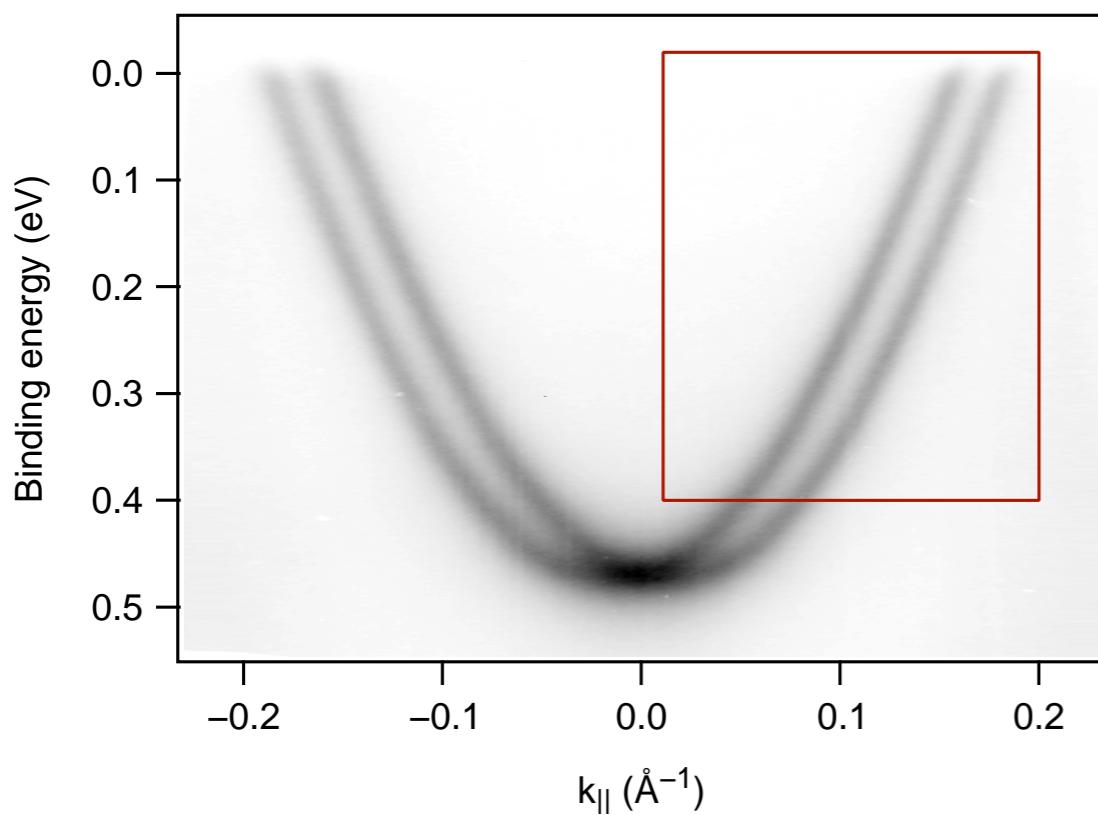
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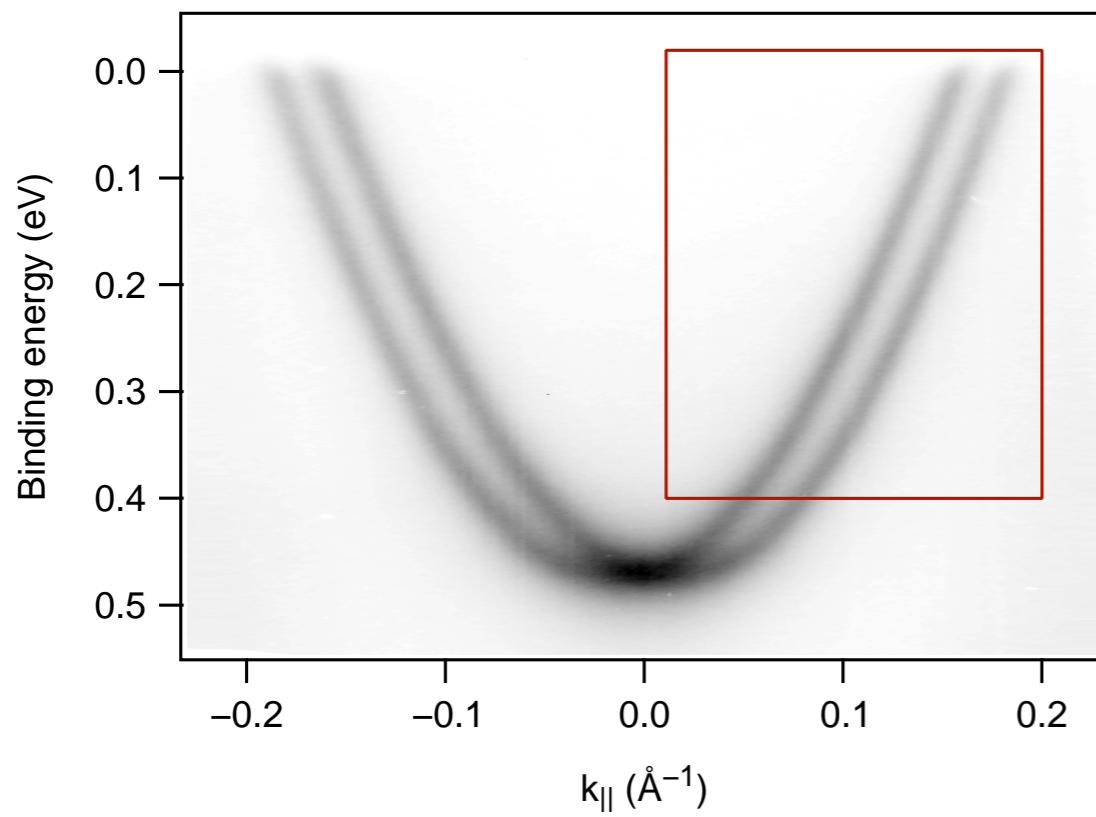
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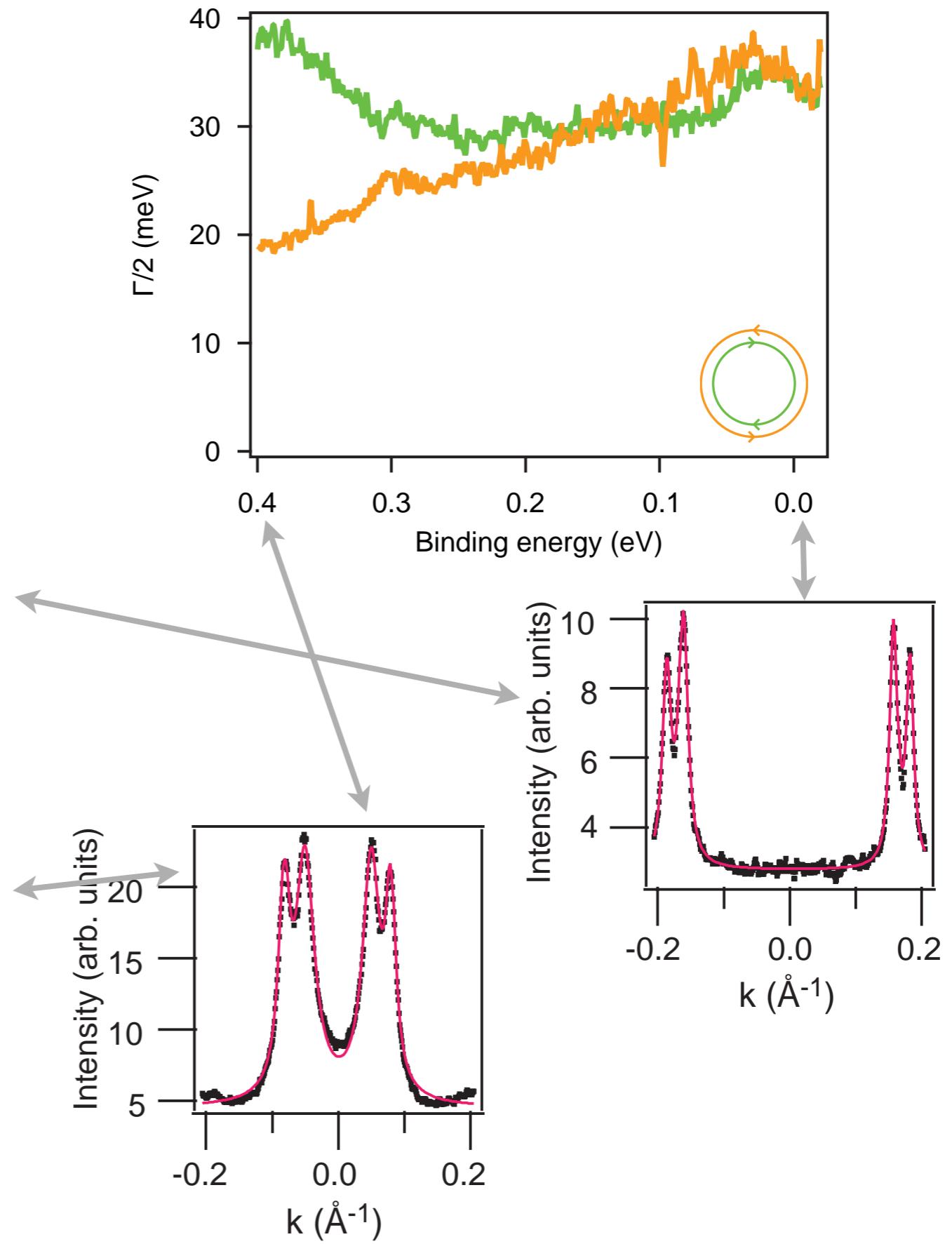


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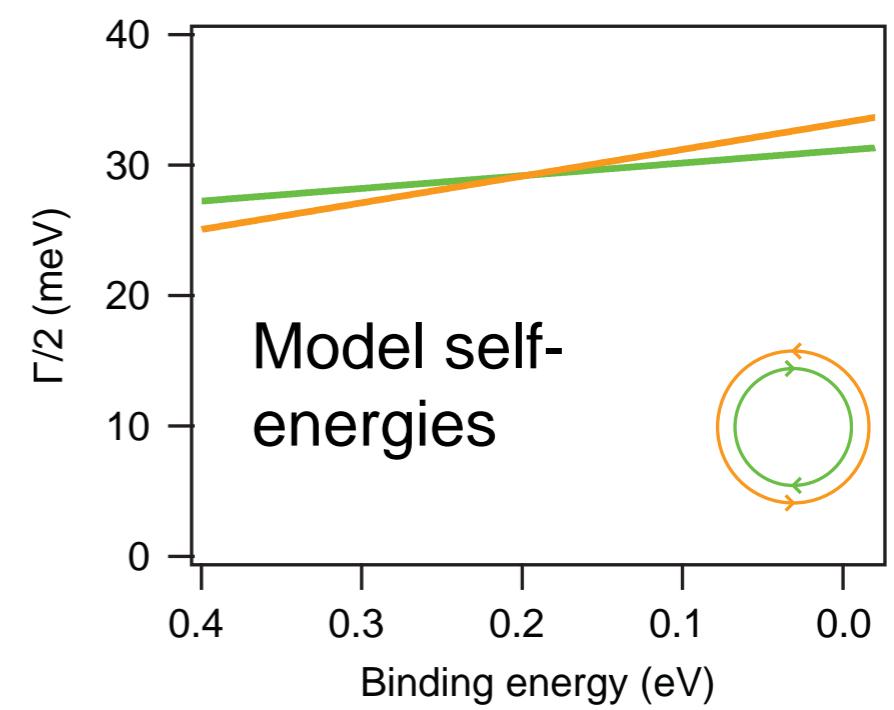
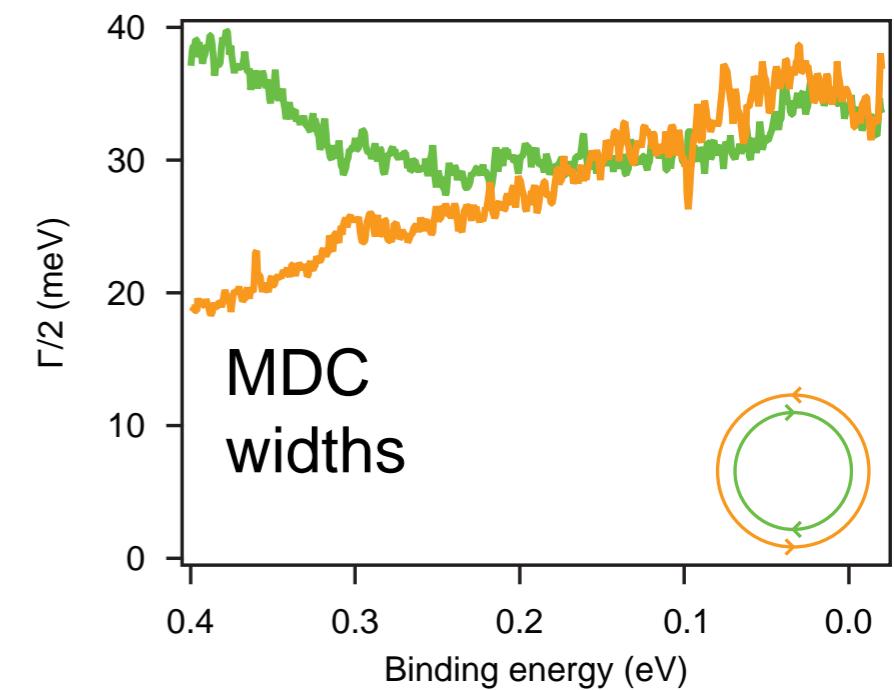
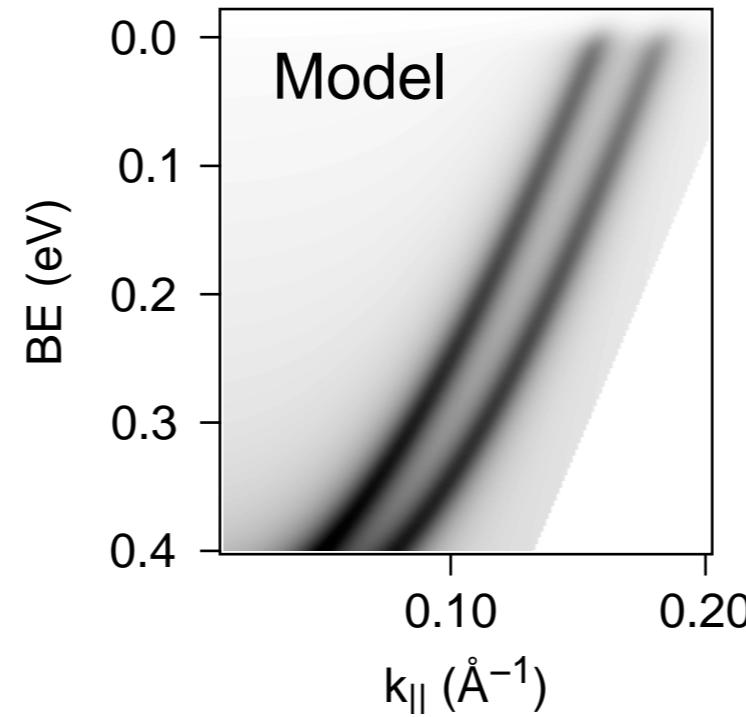
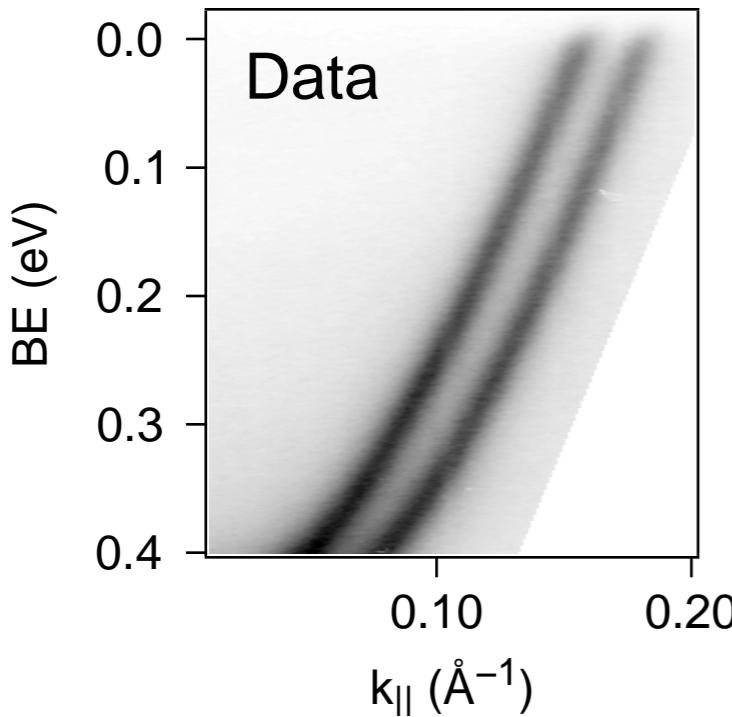
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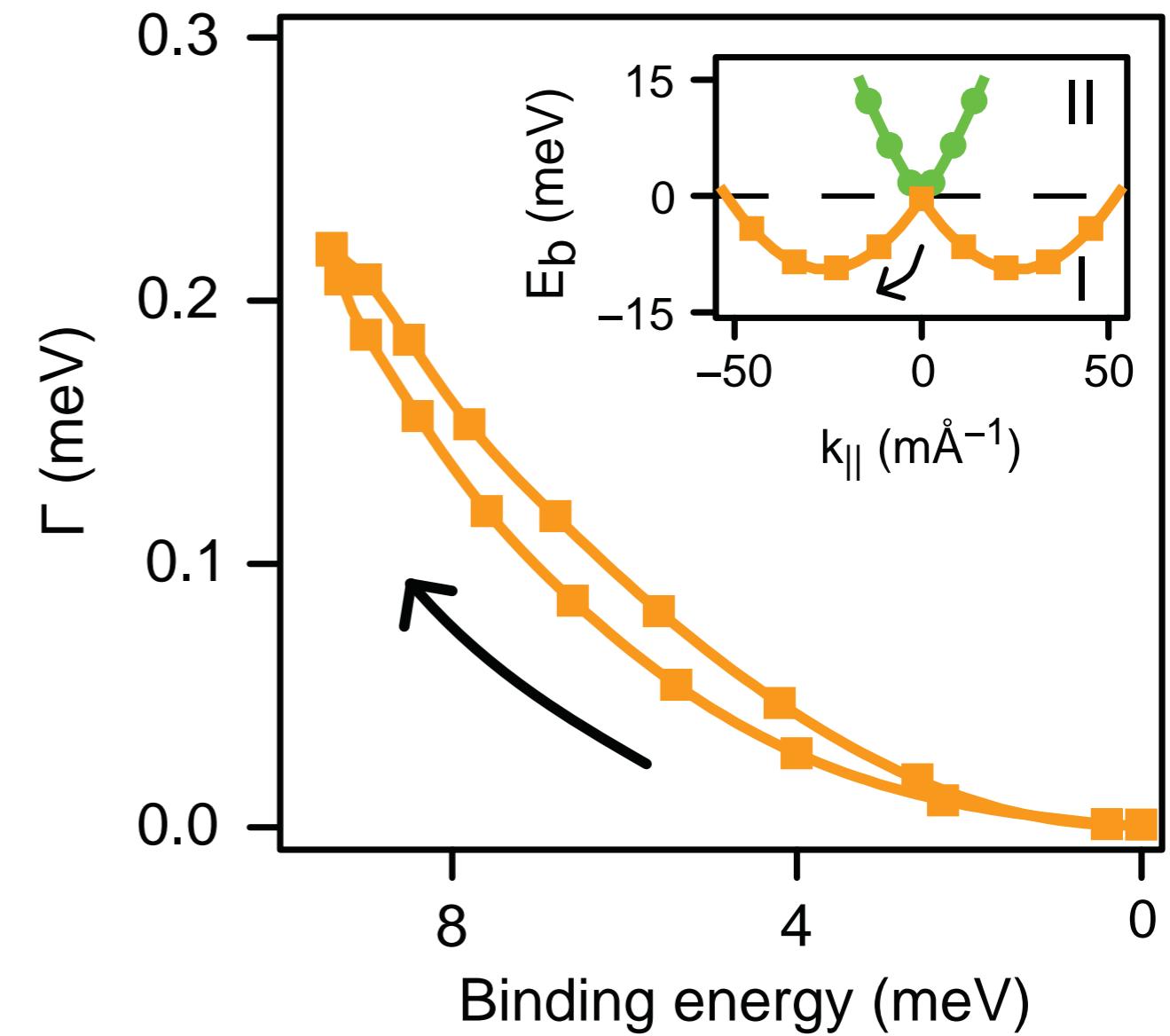
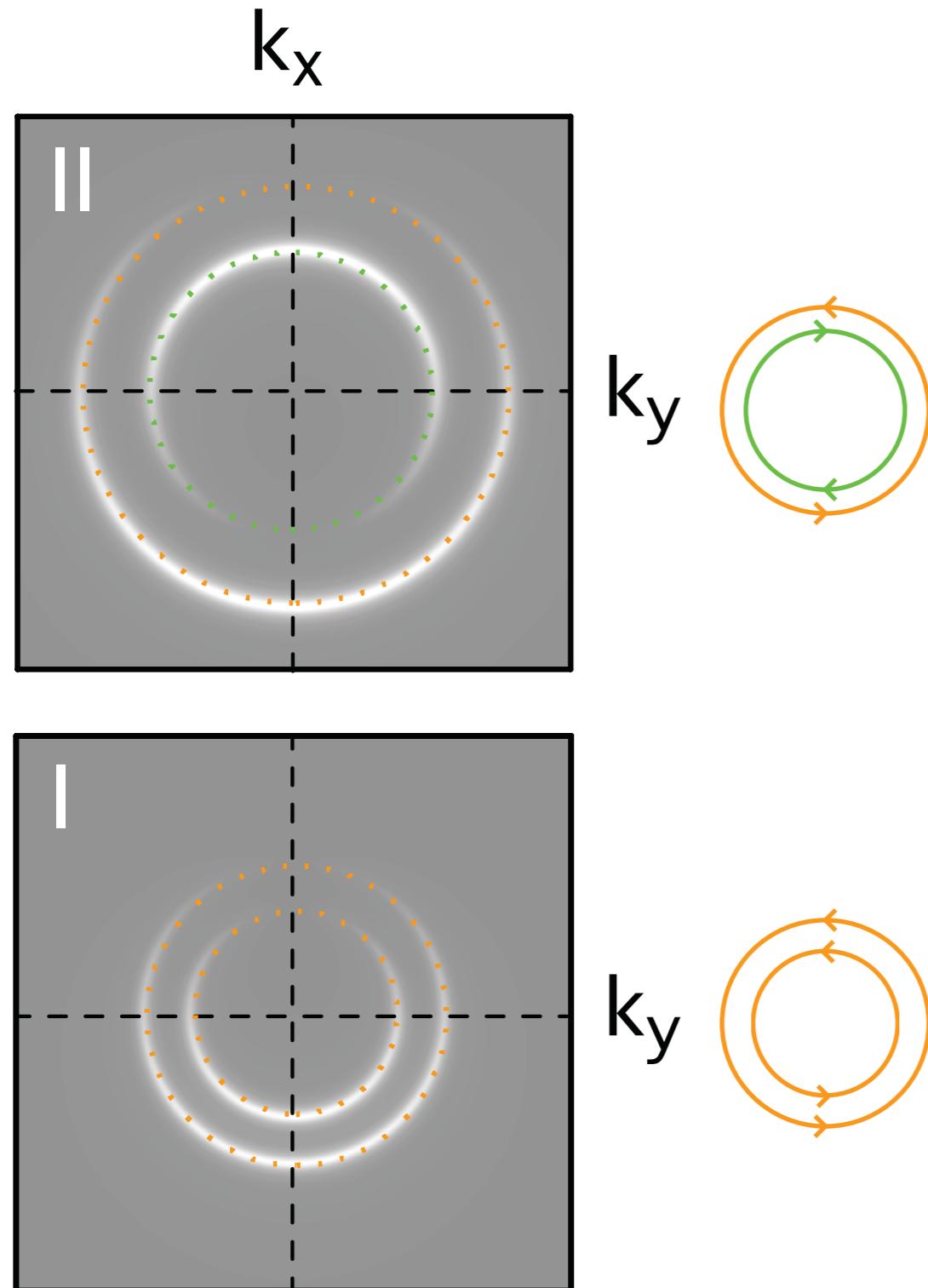
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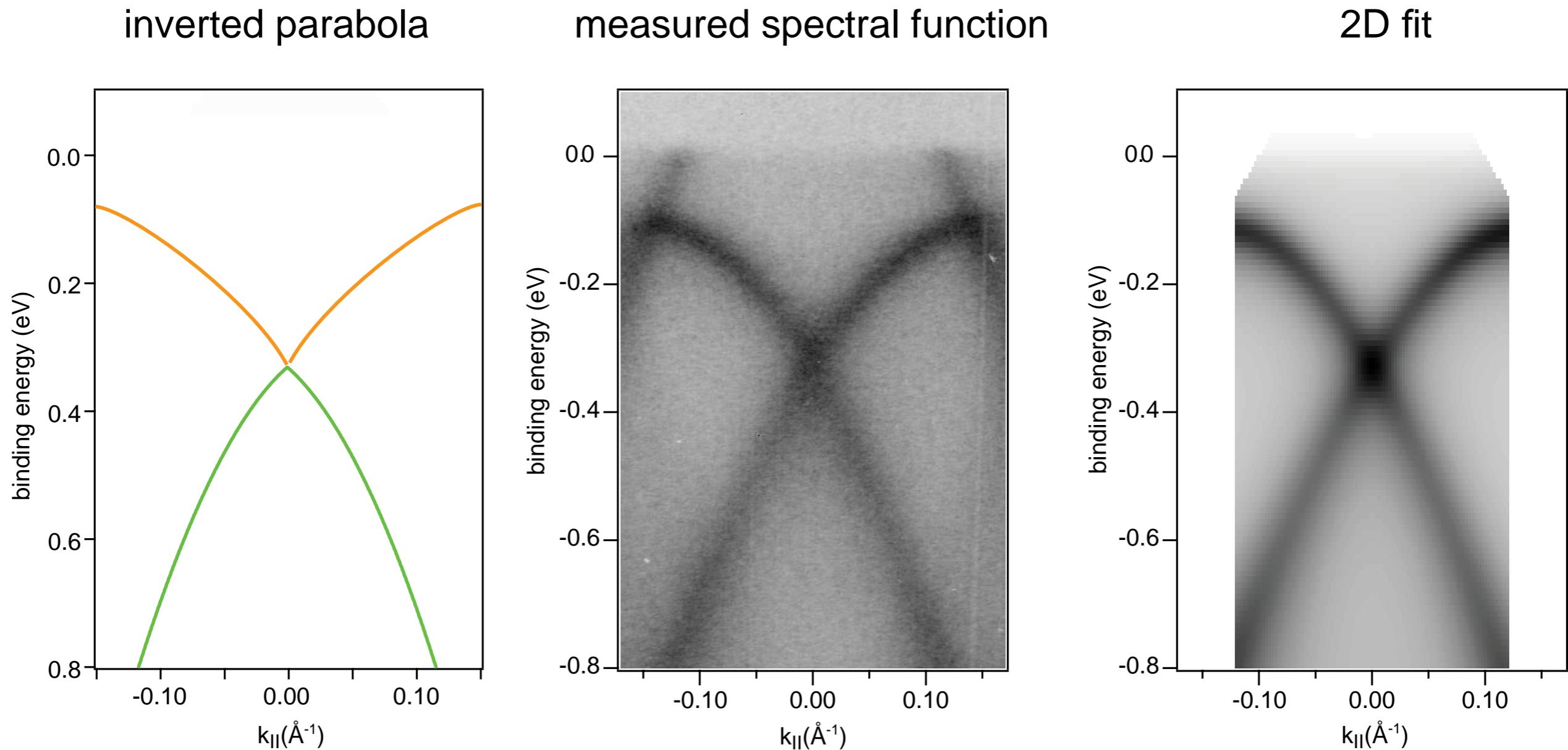
- Calculate spectral function from simple self-energy
- Account for broadening



the situation in region I



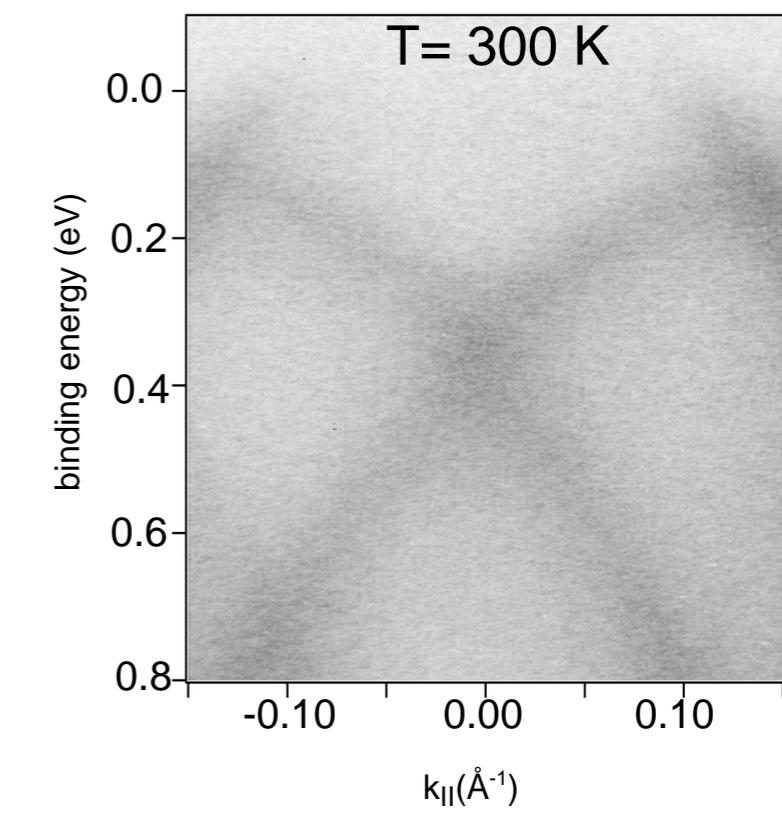
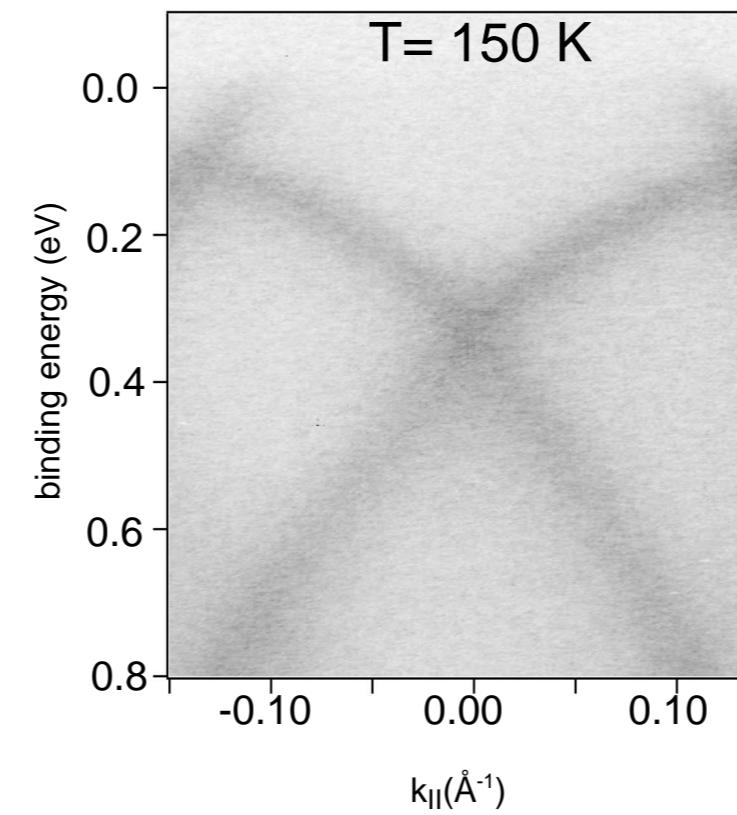
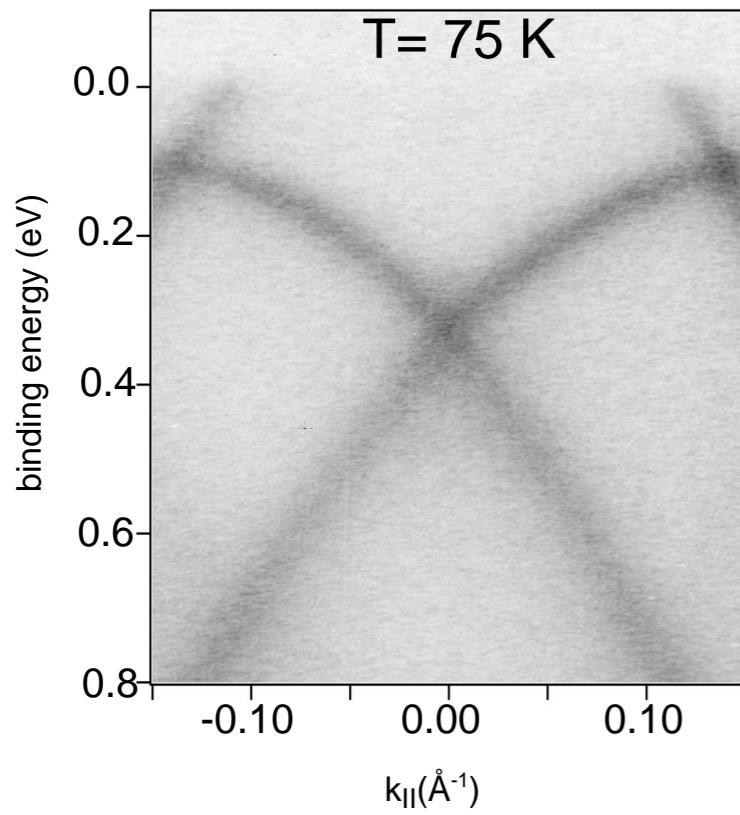
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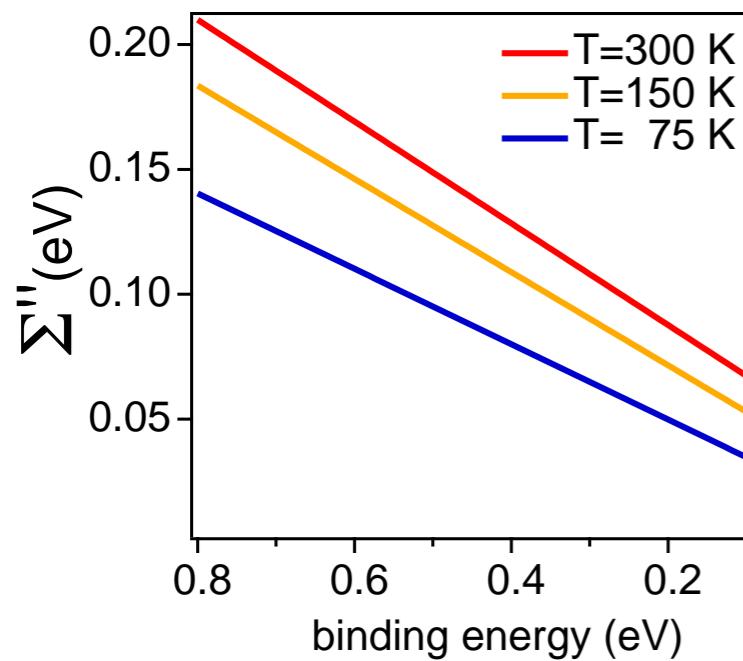
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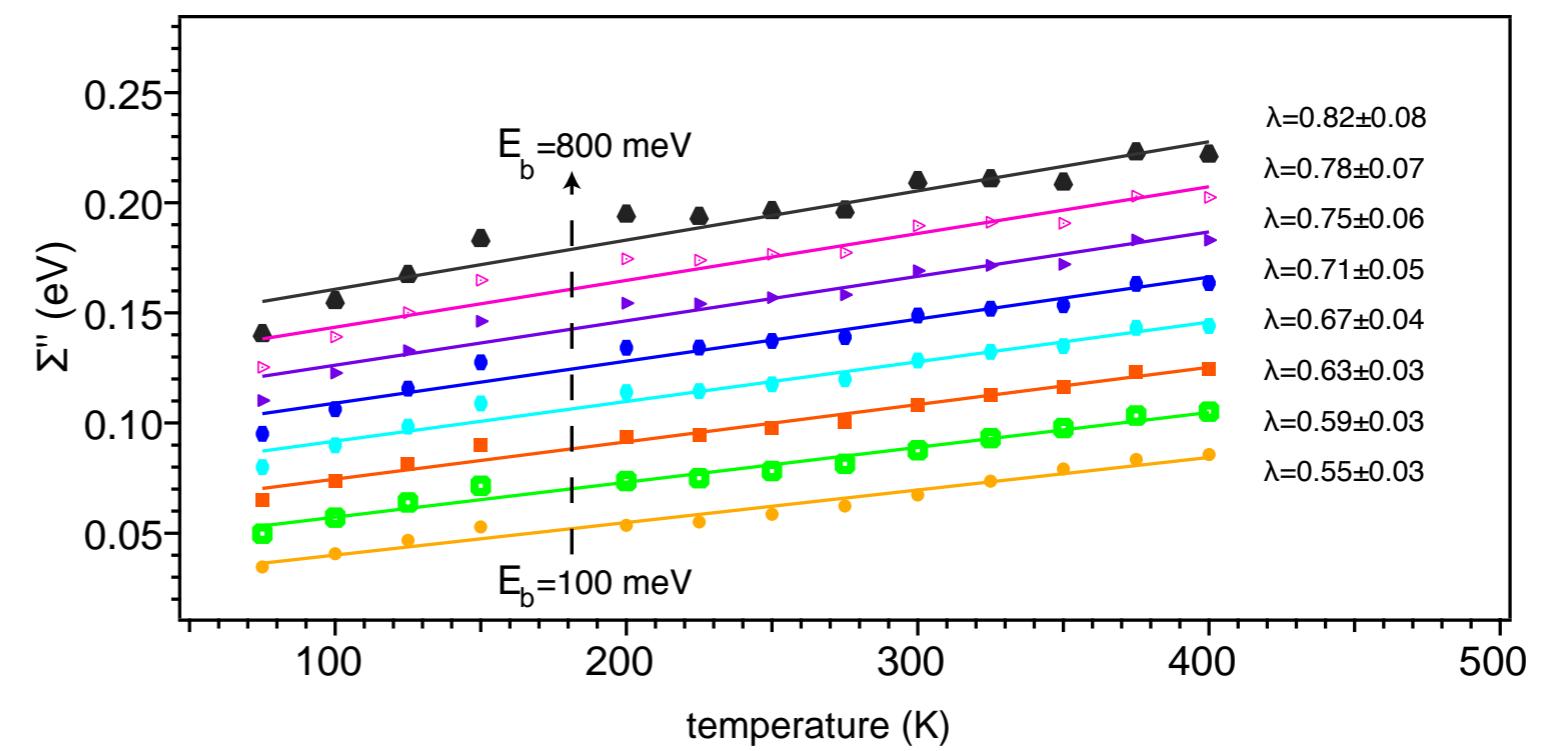
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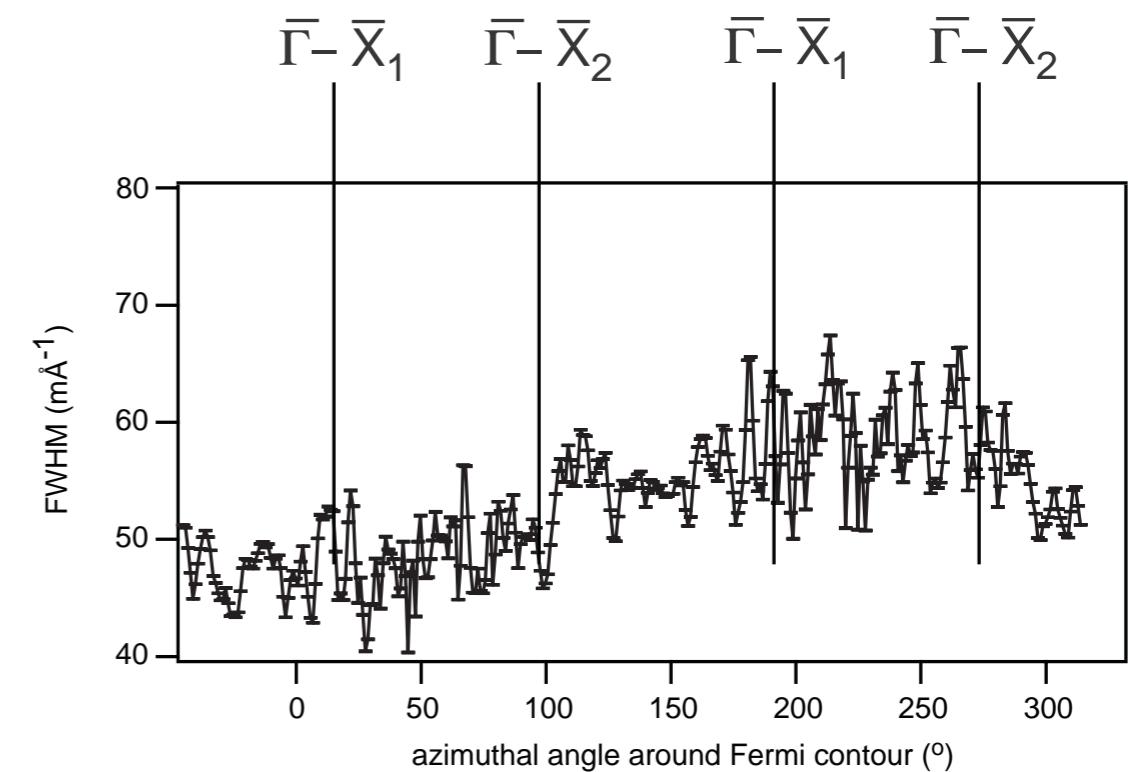
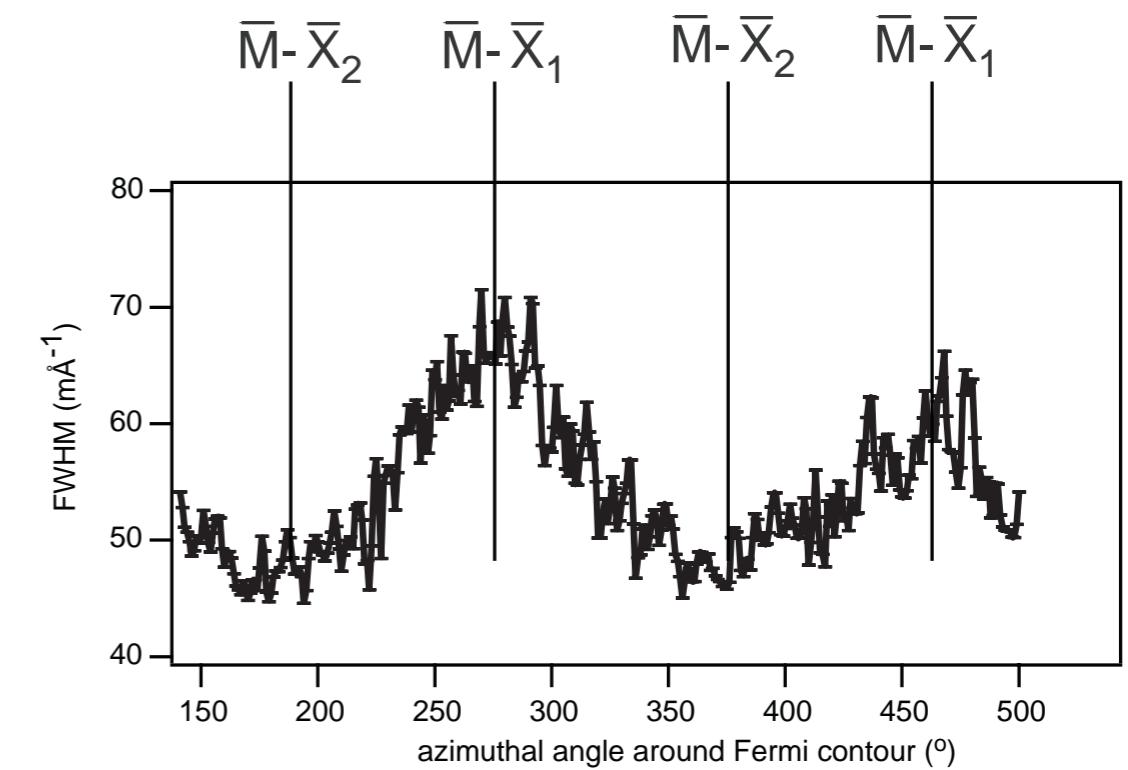
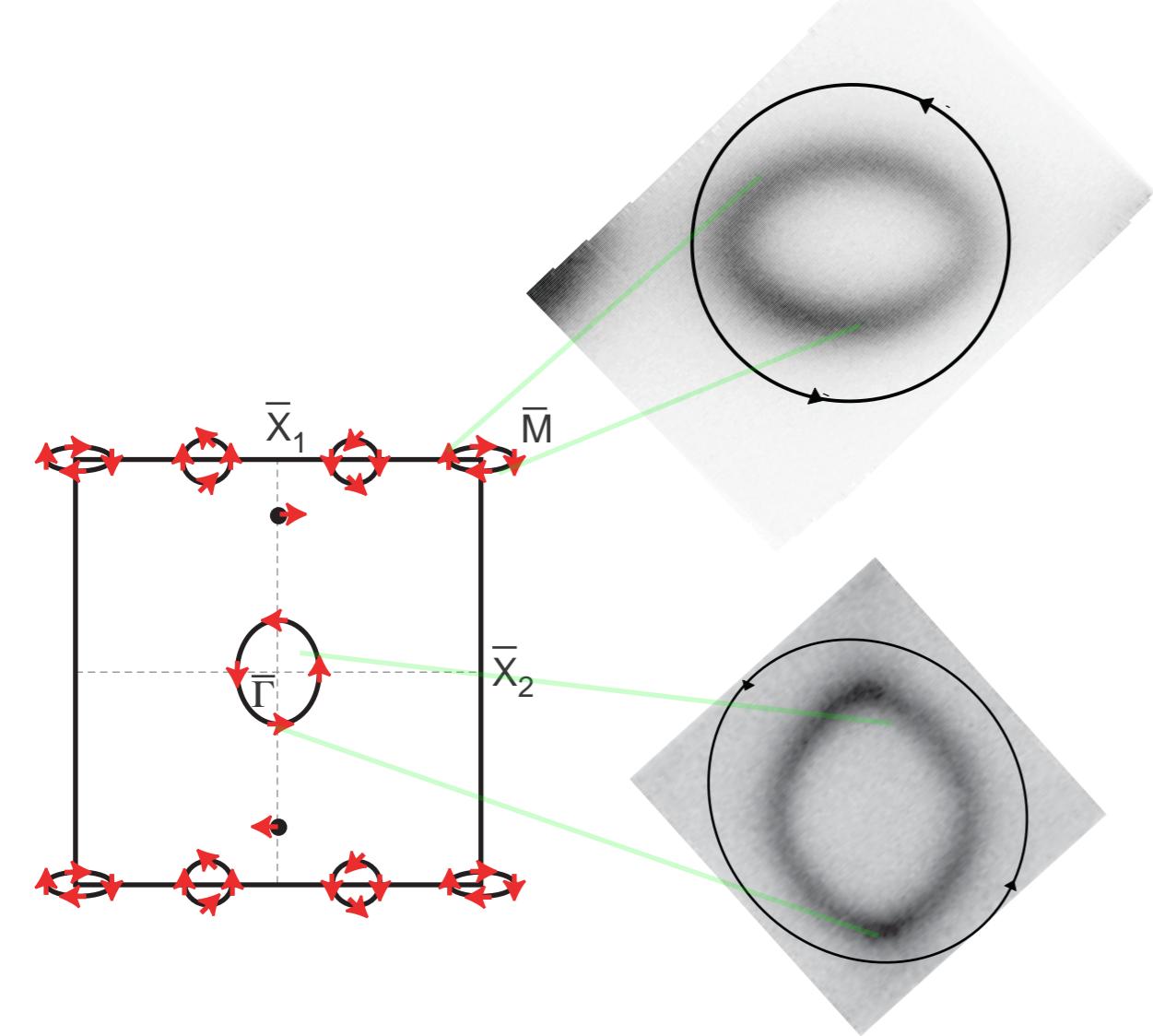


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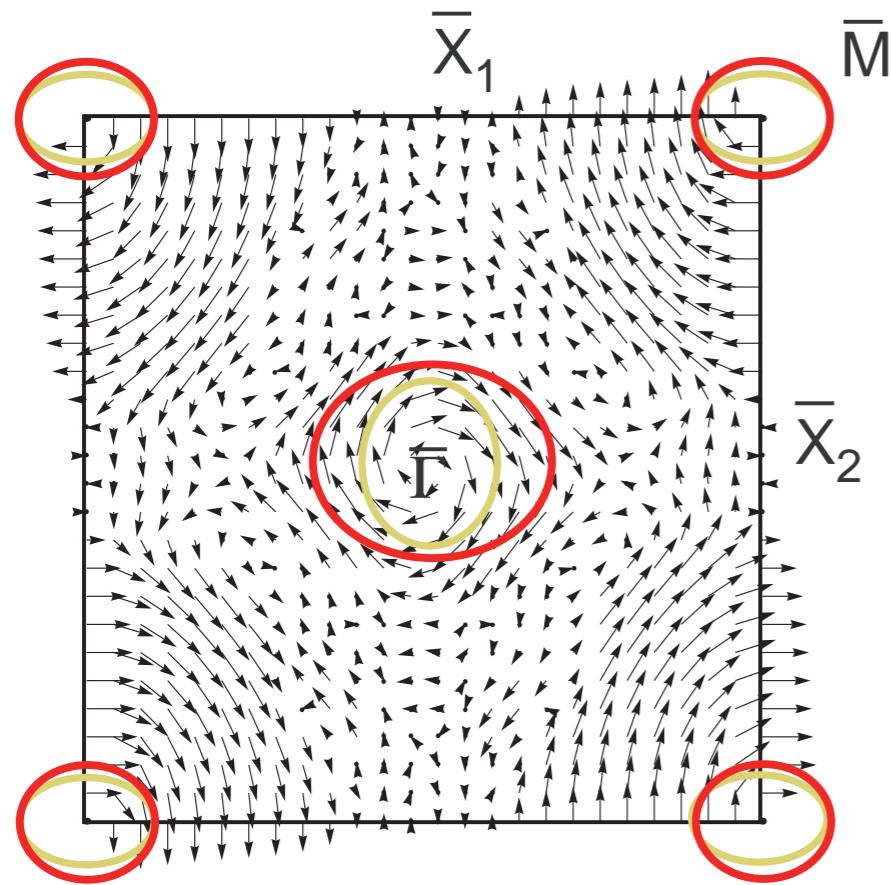


strong lifetime variations on Bi(110)

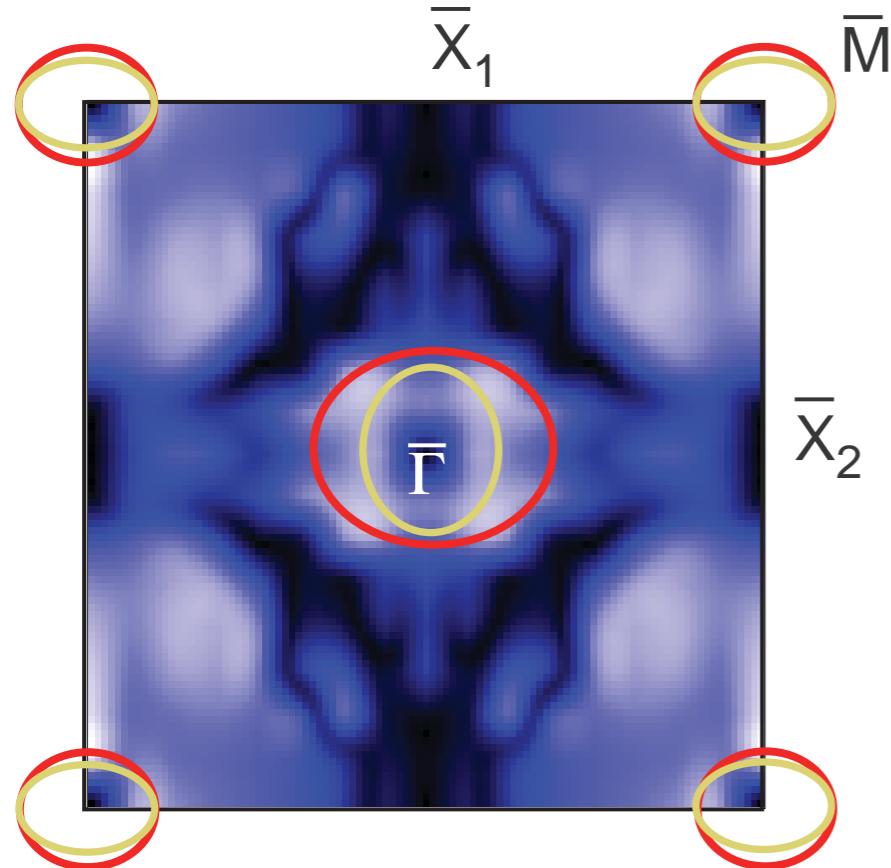
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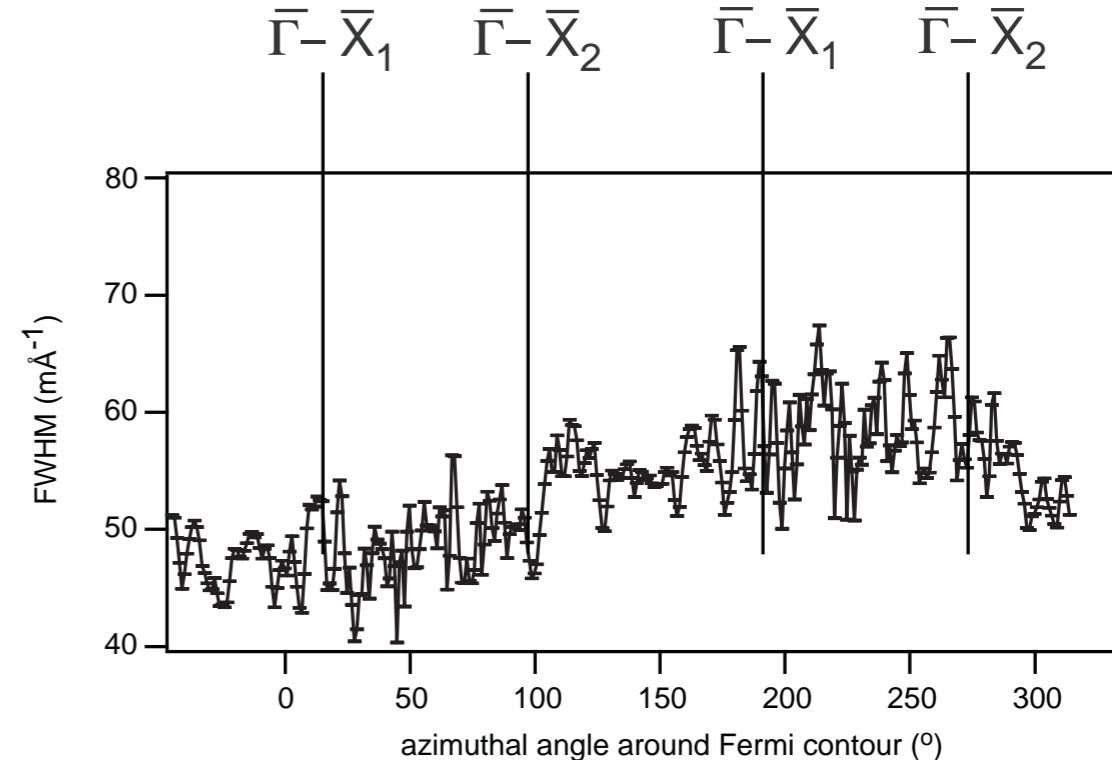
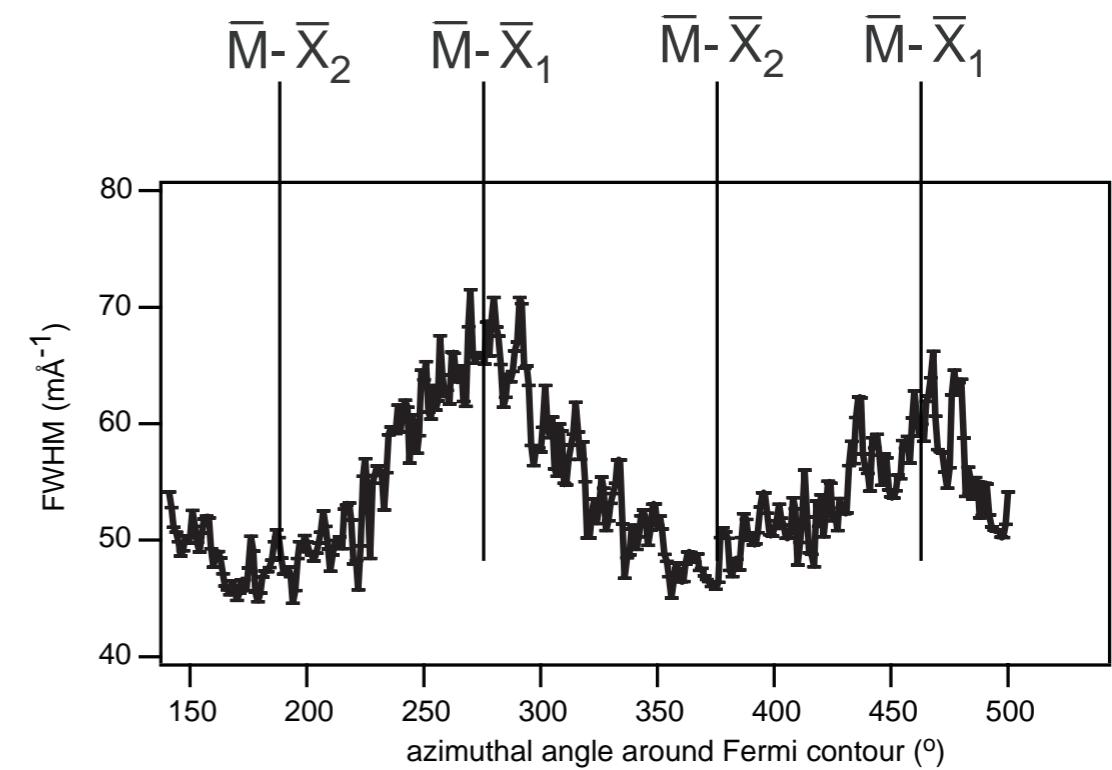
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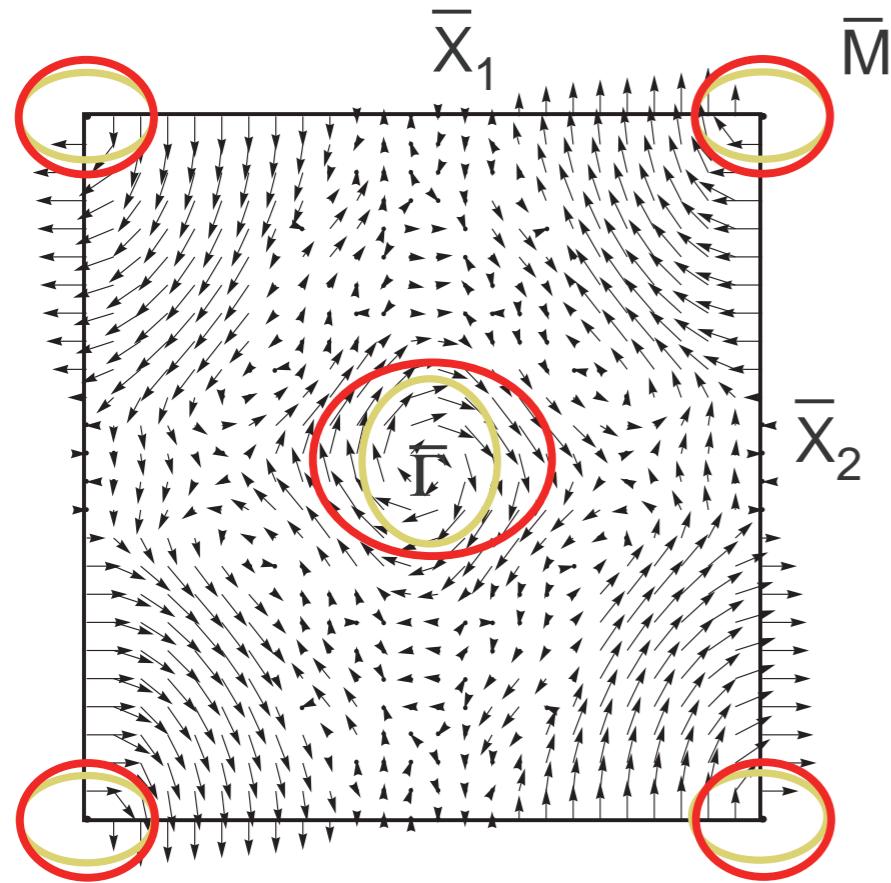
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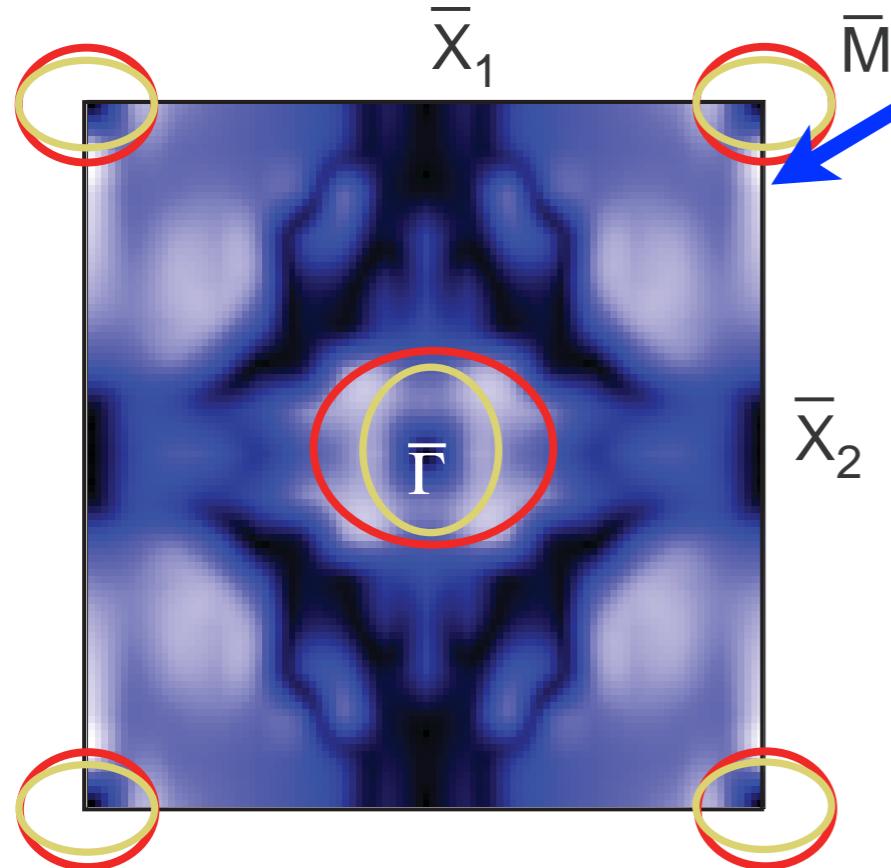
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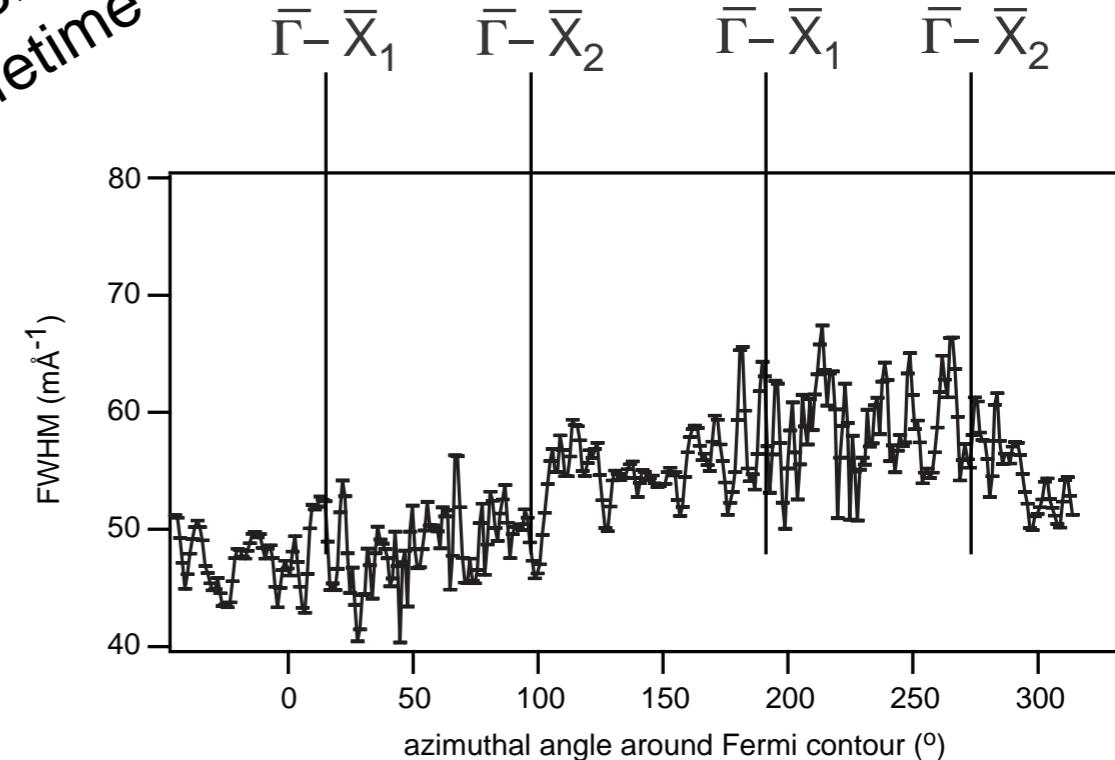
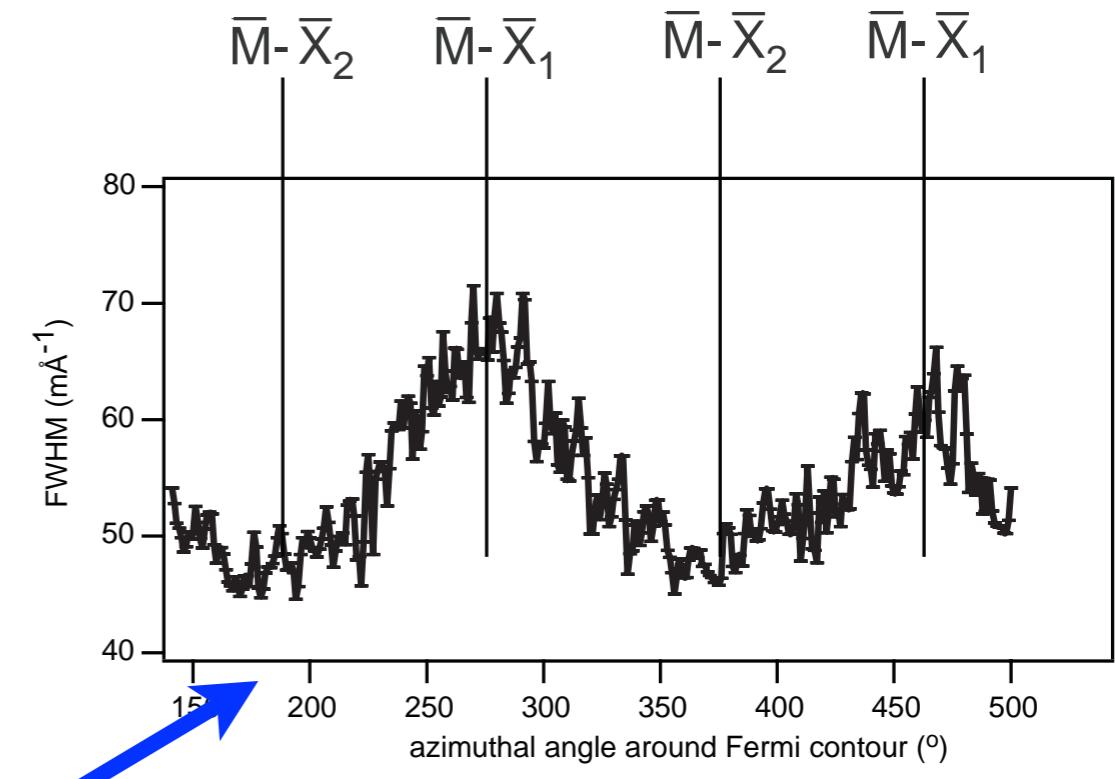
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calculated spin polarization (modulus)



strong spin polarisation
long lifetime



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some conclusions

- Very strong impact on quasiparticle interference.
- Lifetimes in Rashba systems independent of branch of dispersion on Au(111).
- No increase of electron-phonon coupling near the van Hove singularity of Bi/Ag(111).
- Strong lifetime effects on the Fermi surface elements of Bi(110). Qualitative agreement with calculated spin polarisation degree. Strong spin polarisation corresponds to long lifetime of the state.

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spin polarisation

operator

$$S^2 = S_x^2 + S_y^2 + S_z^2 = \frac{3}{4}\hbar^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

expectation value

$$\langle S^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{4}\hbar^2$$

spin polarisation (modulus)

values

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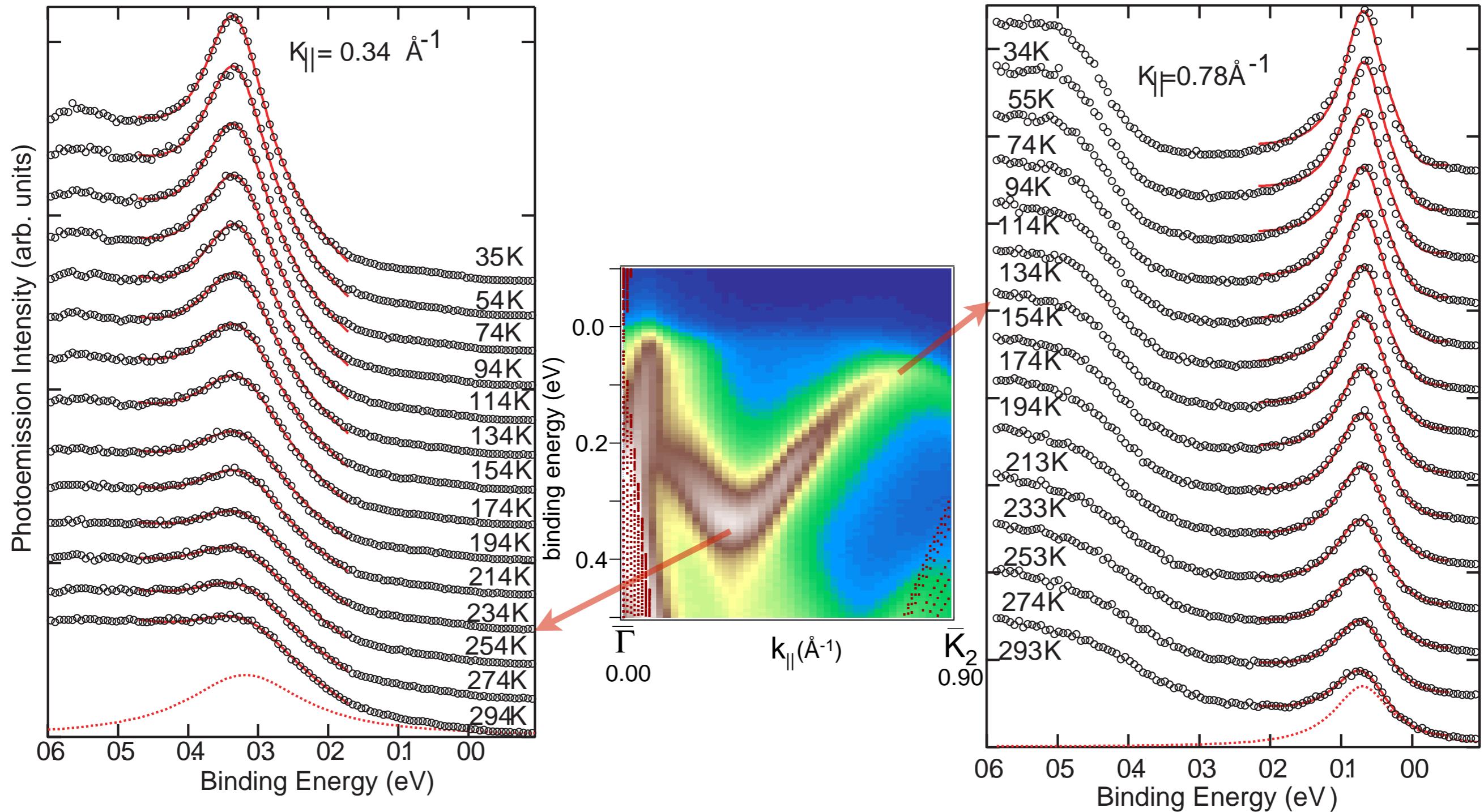
example for maximum polarisation:

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

here we use the Bloch spinor:

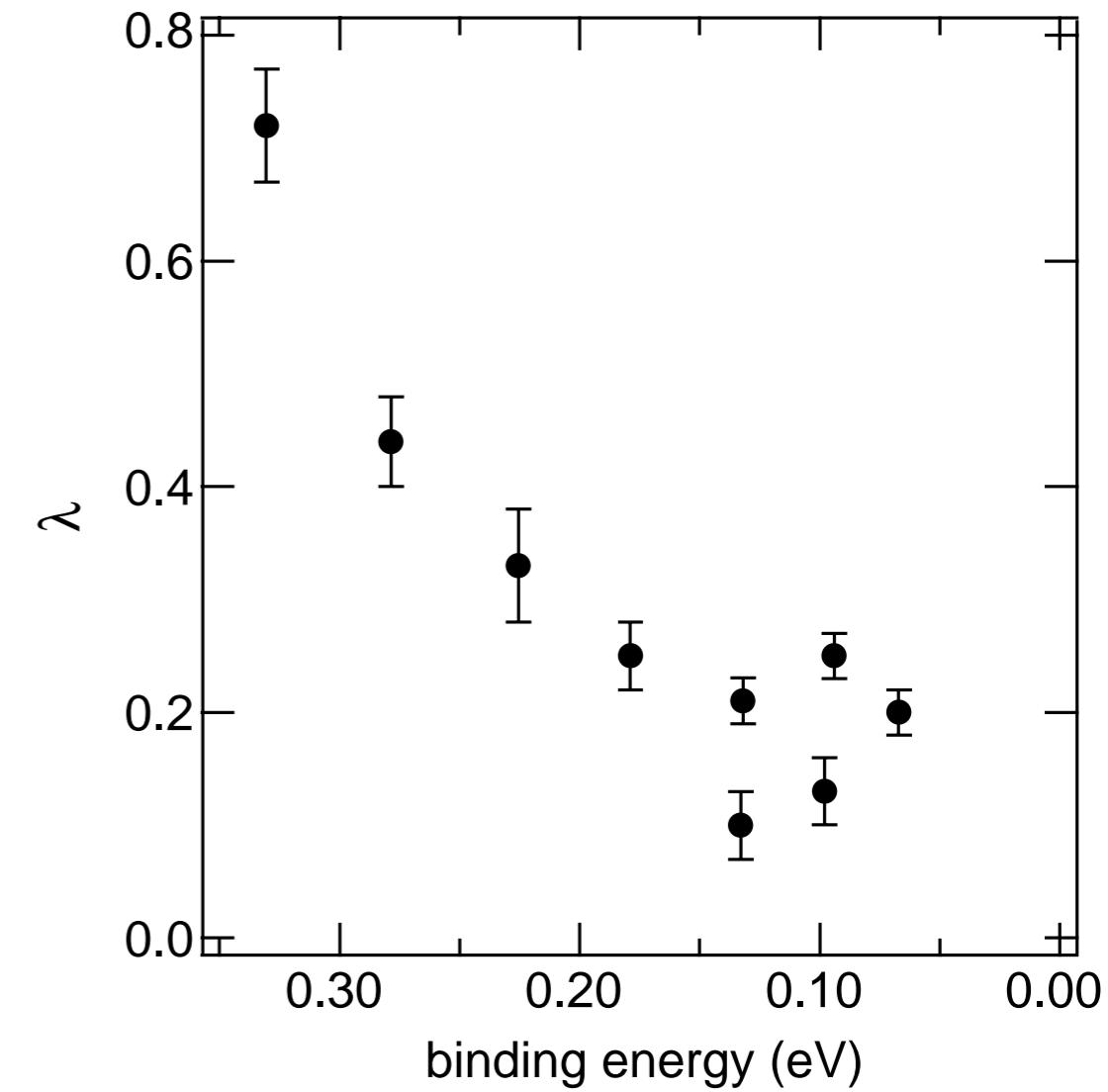
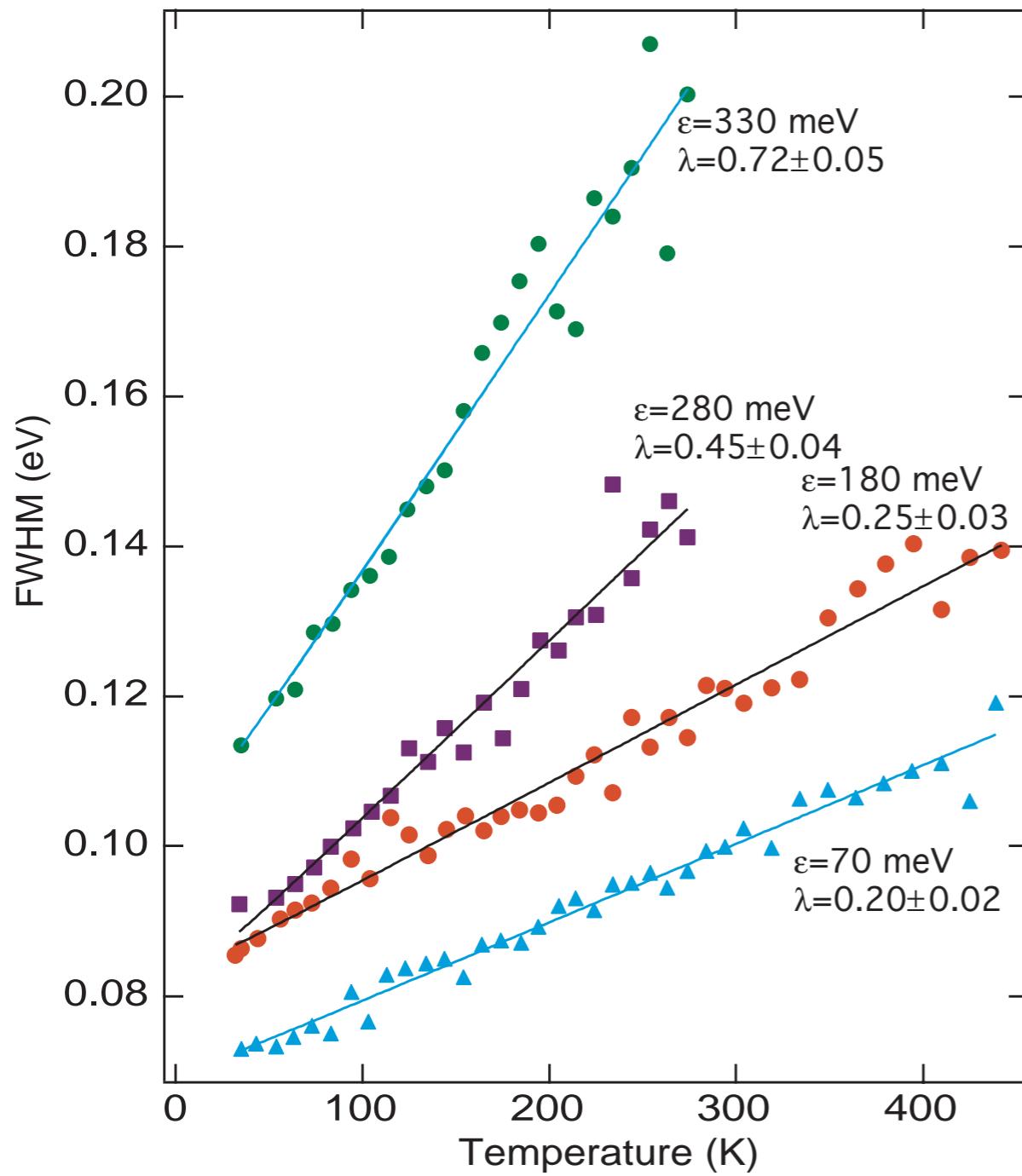
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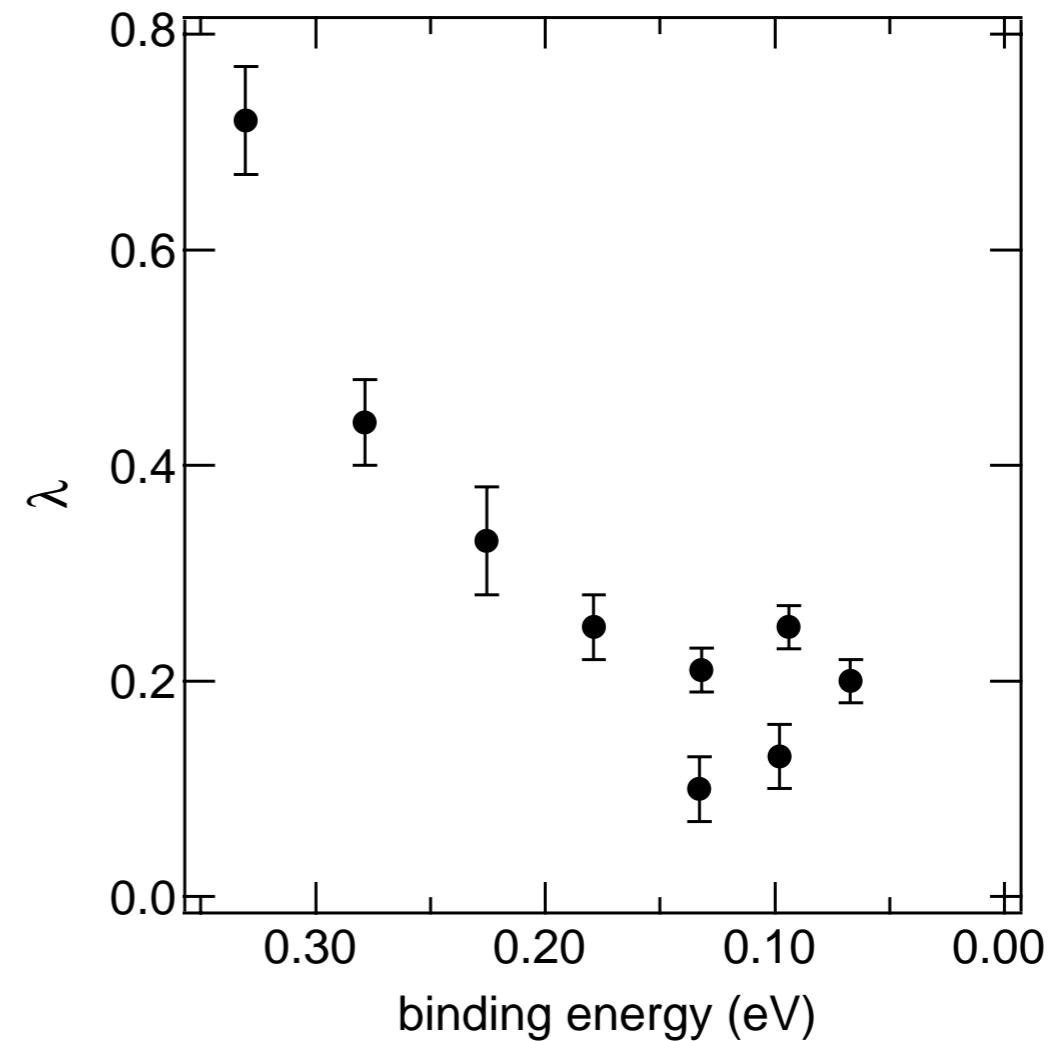
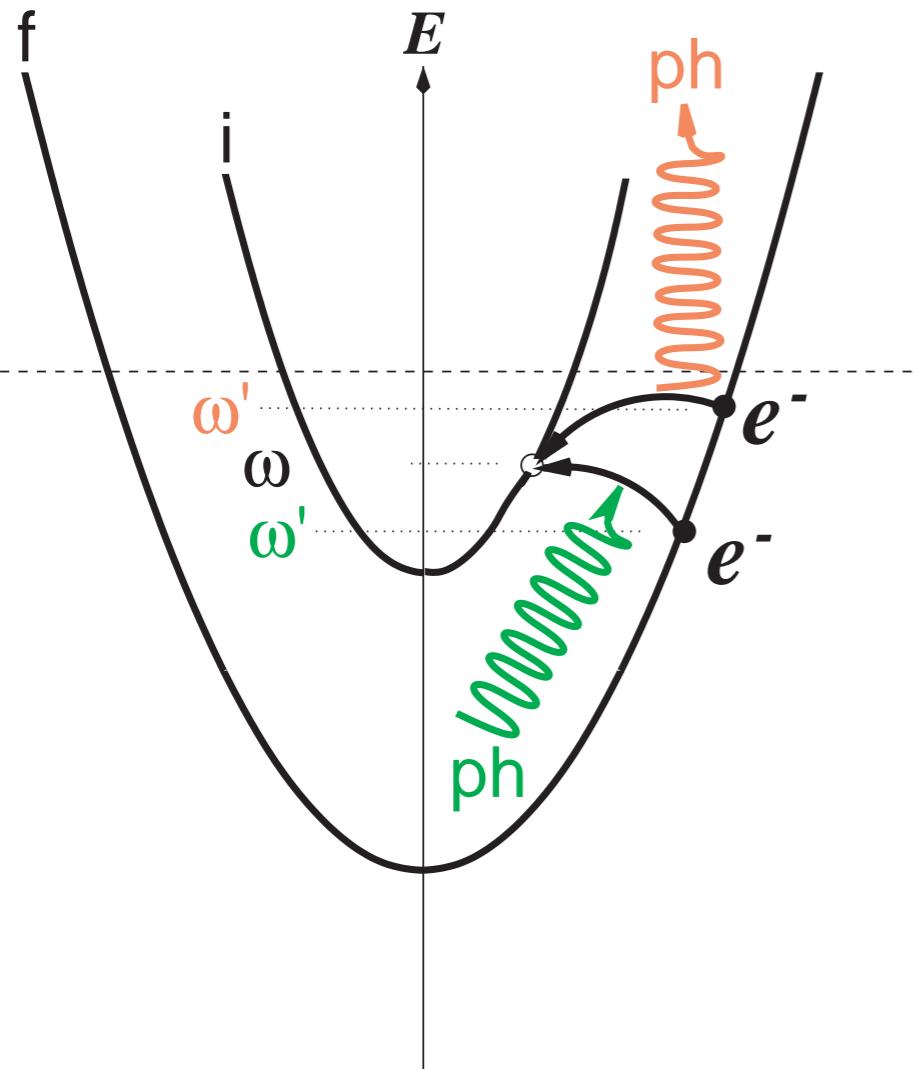
- markedly different T-dependence on different k-points

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- λ , measured in this way, cannot be interpreted as the mass-enhancement parameter at the Fermi level.

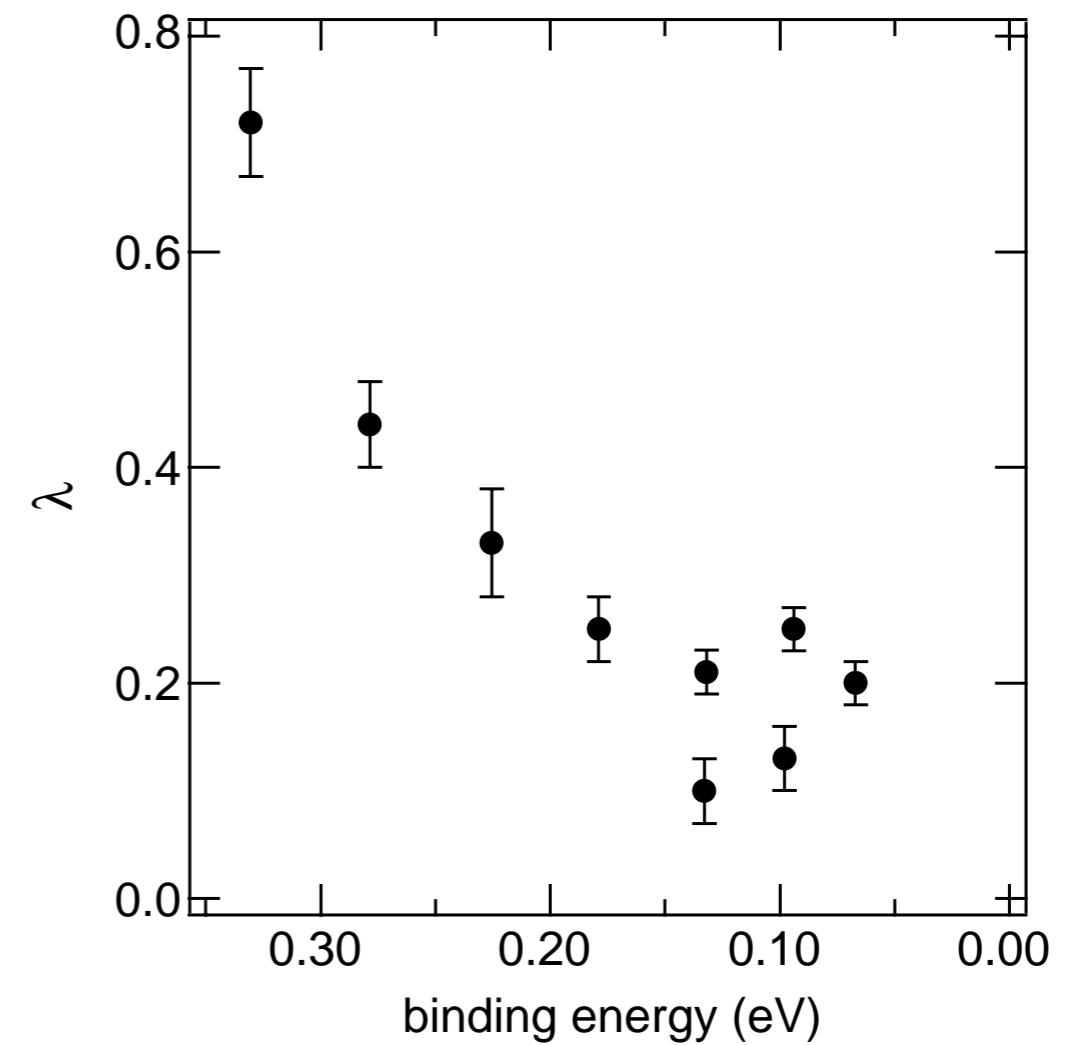
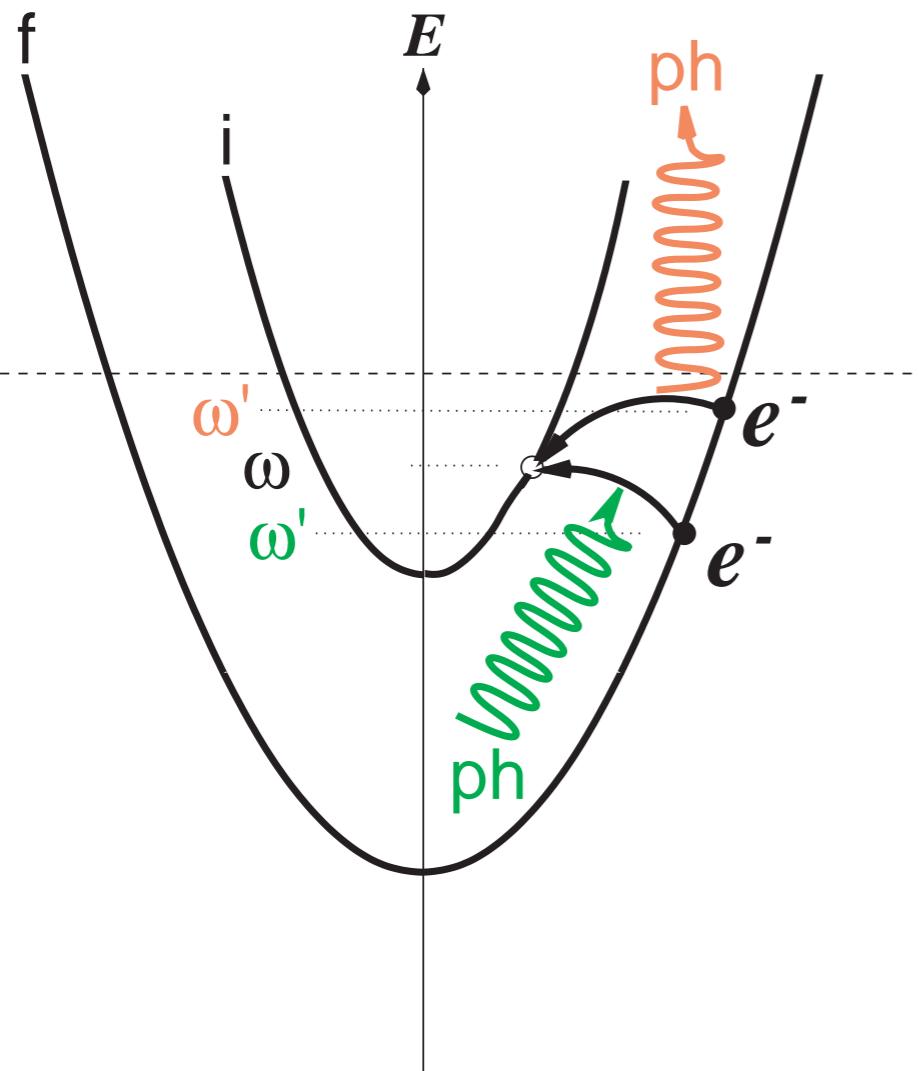
Why is λ energy-dependent?



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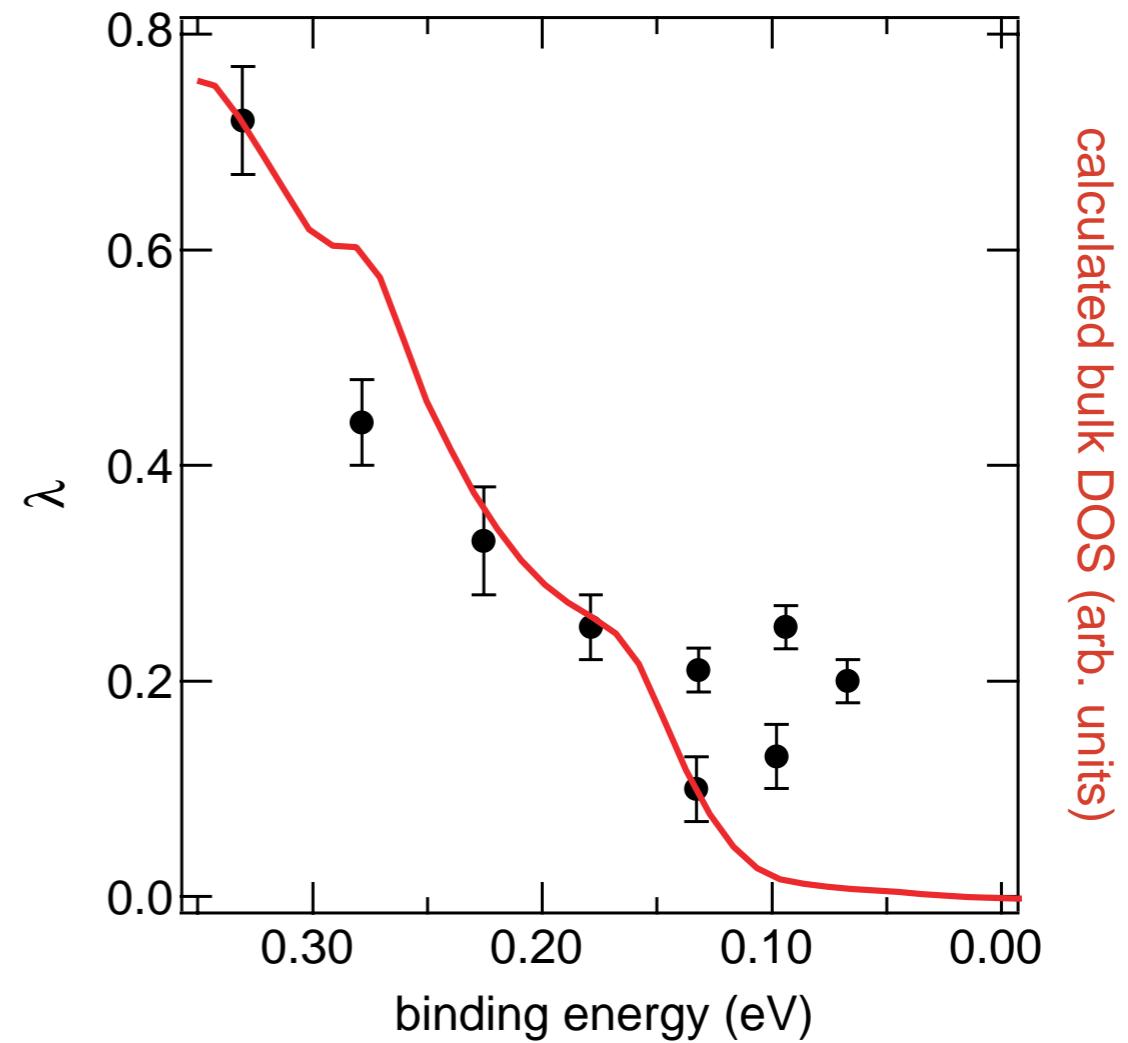
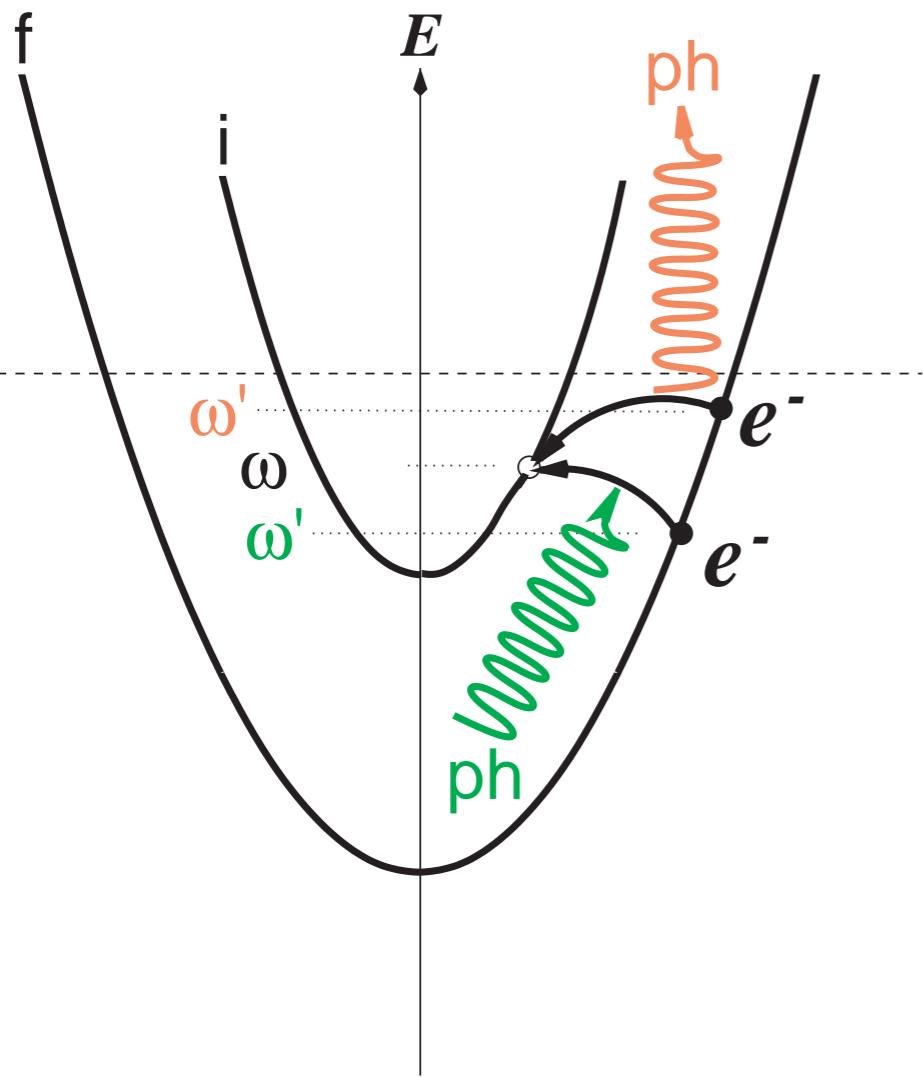
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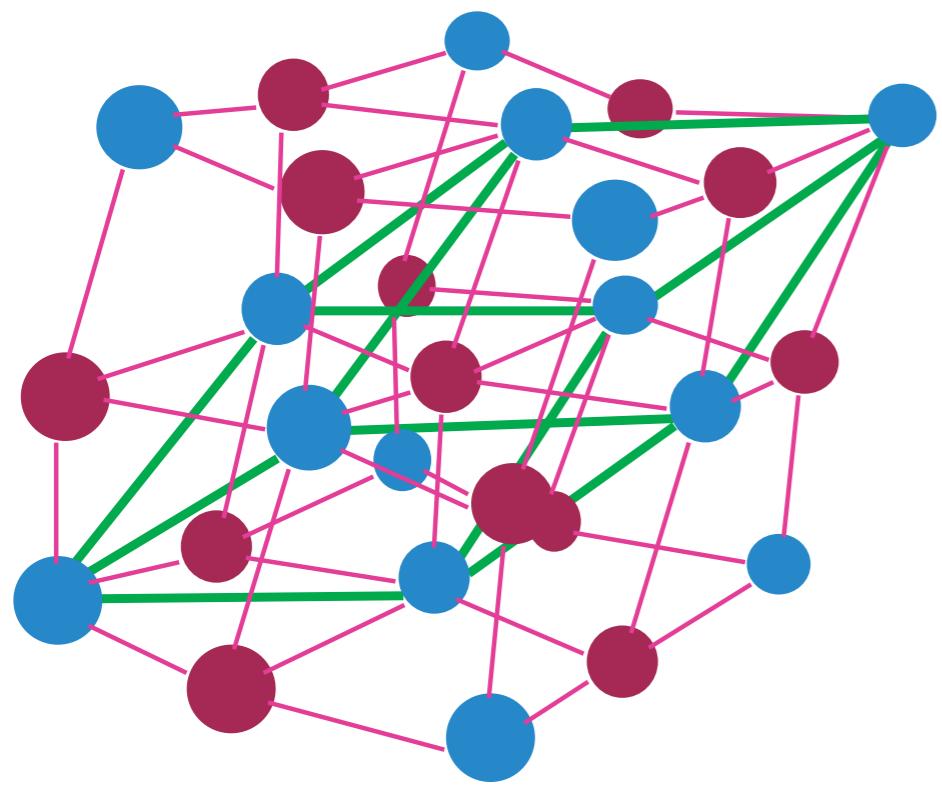
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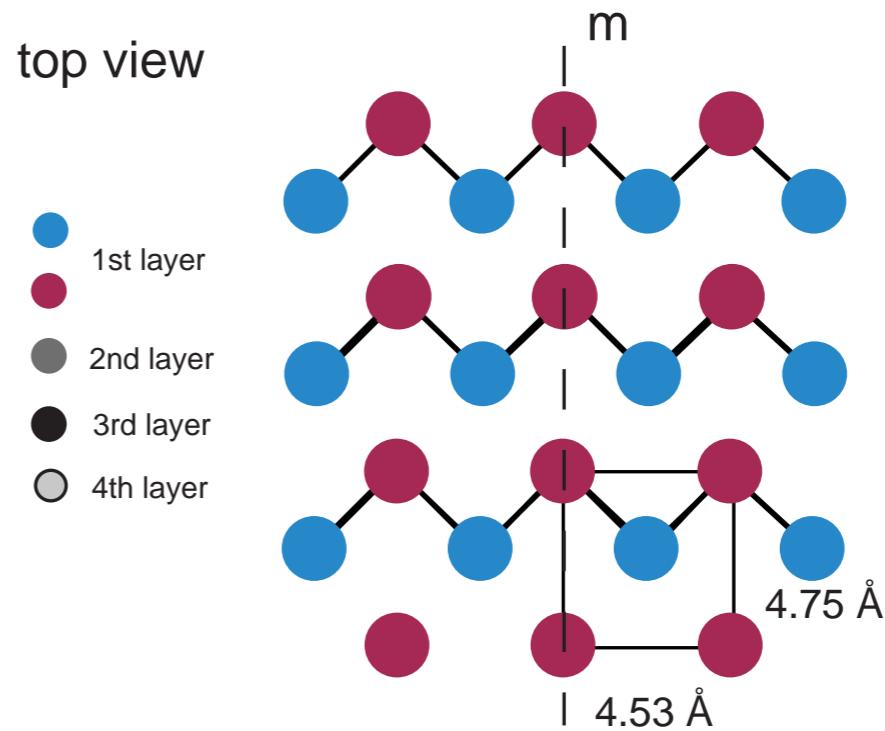
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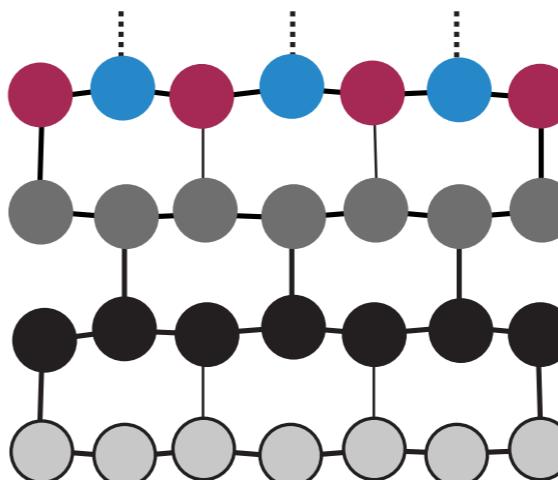
geometric structure of Bi(110)



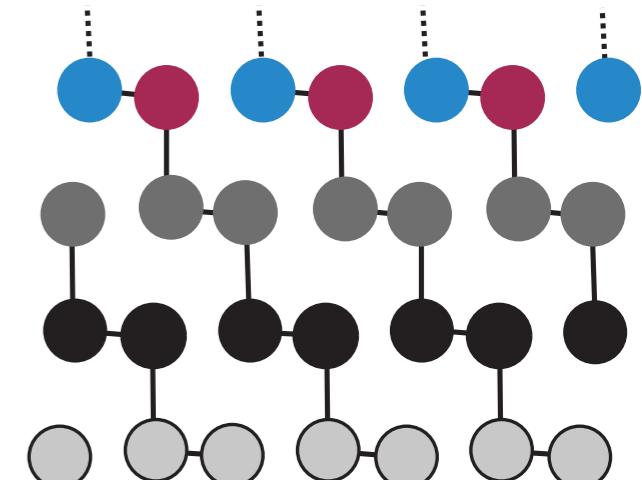
top view



side view
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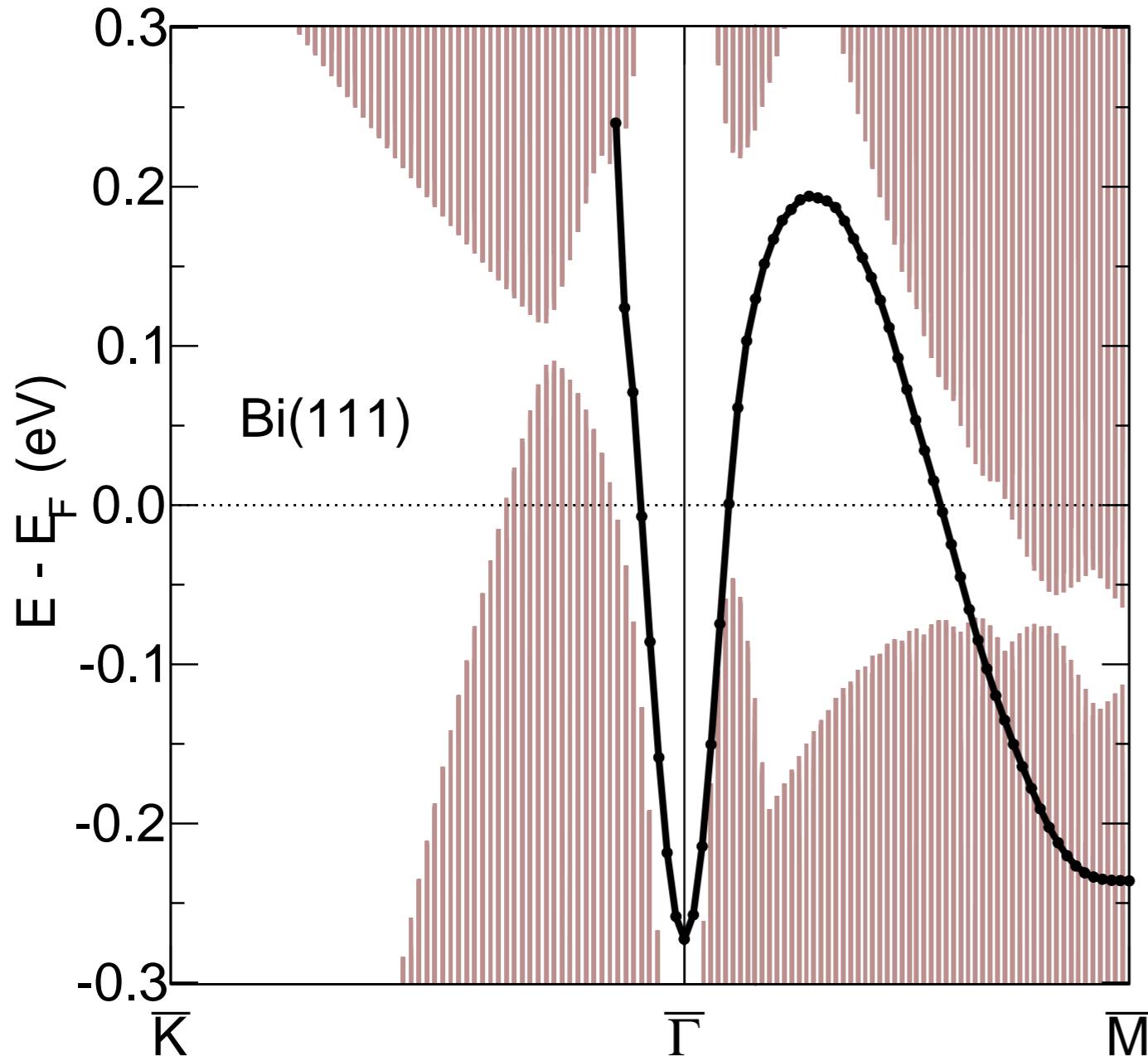


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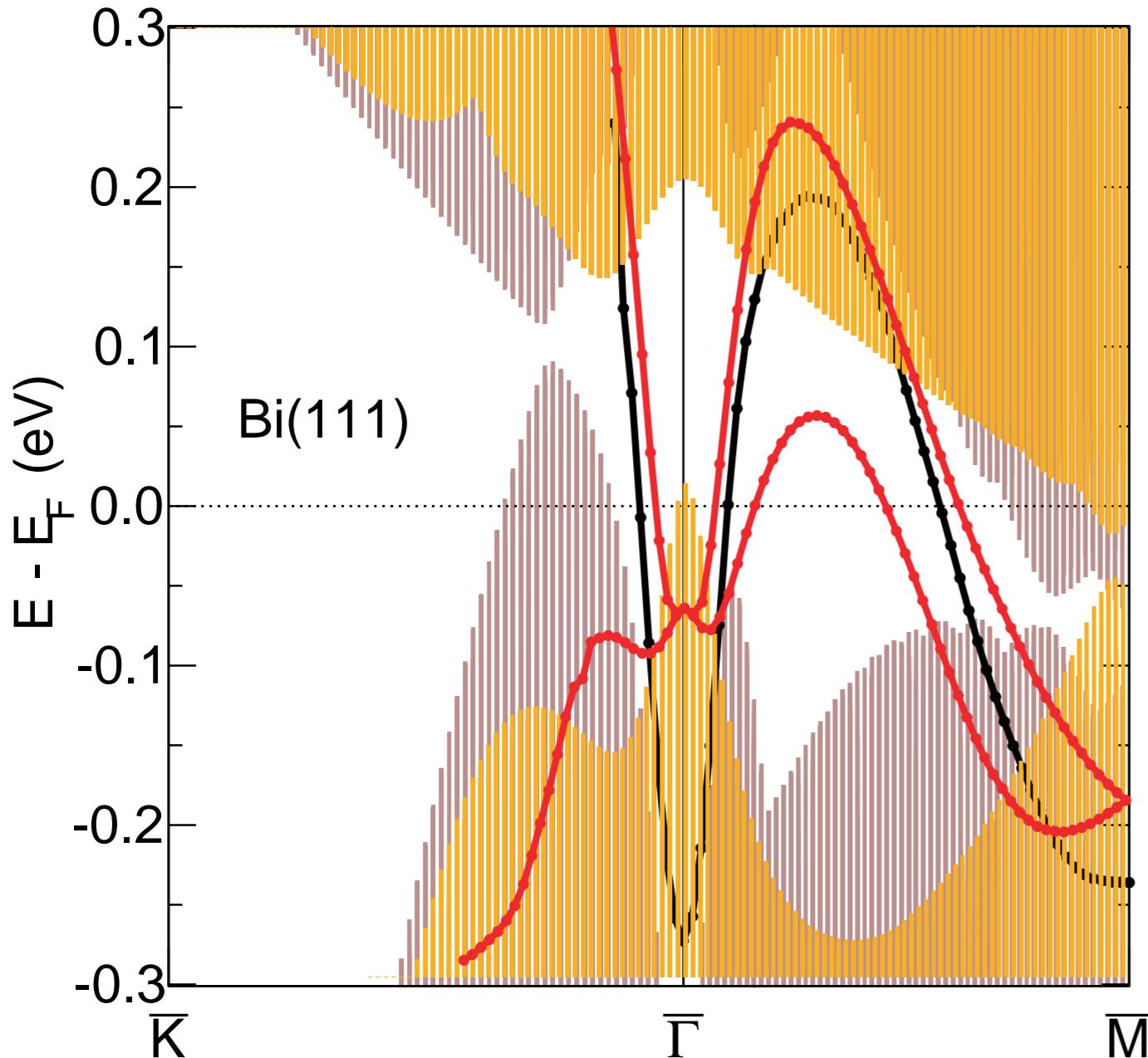


- one dangling bond per unit cell
- only one mirror plane
- no reconstruction

strong spin-orbit splitting on Bi surfaces

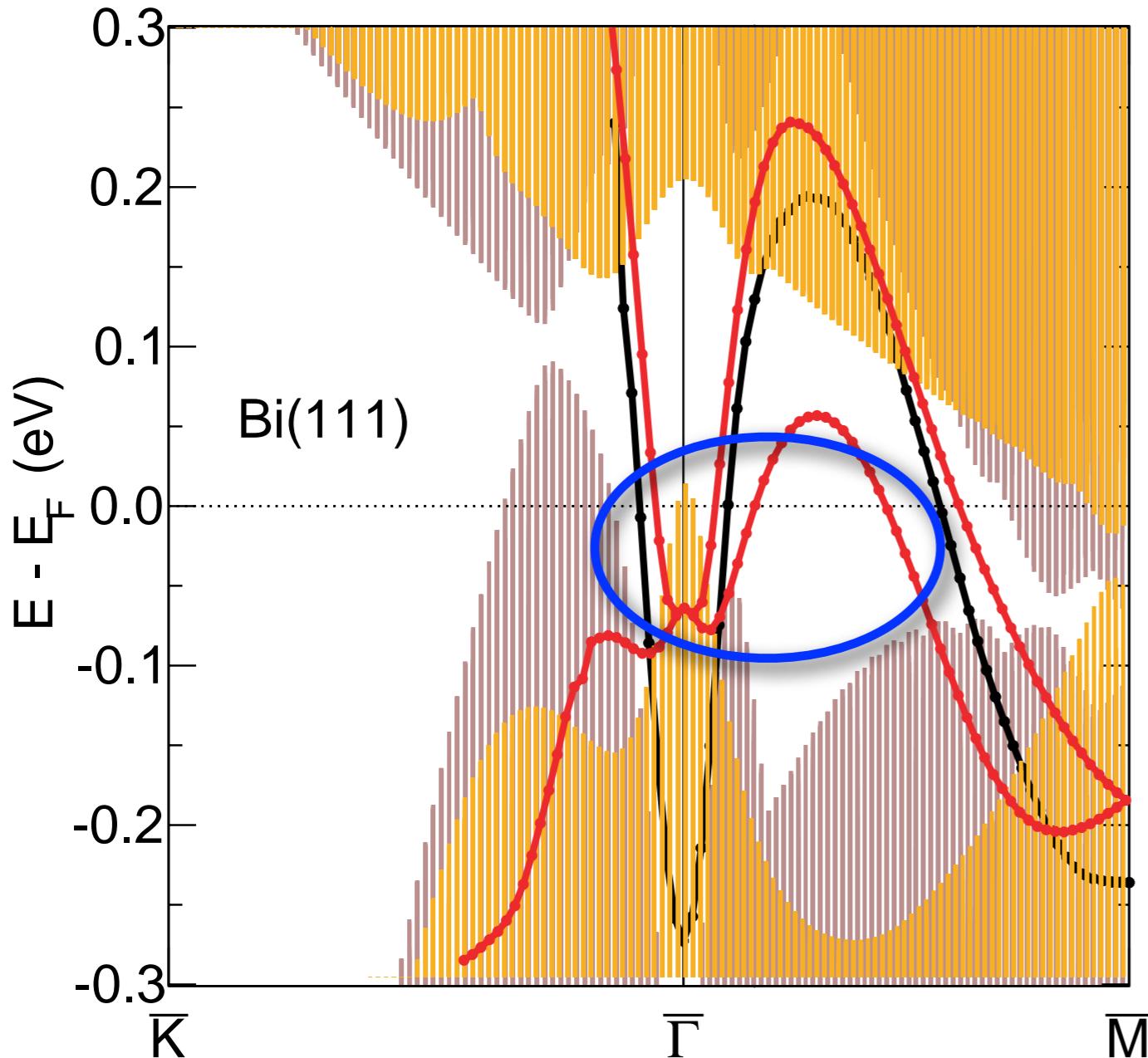


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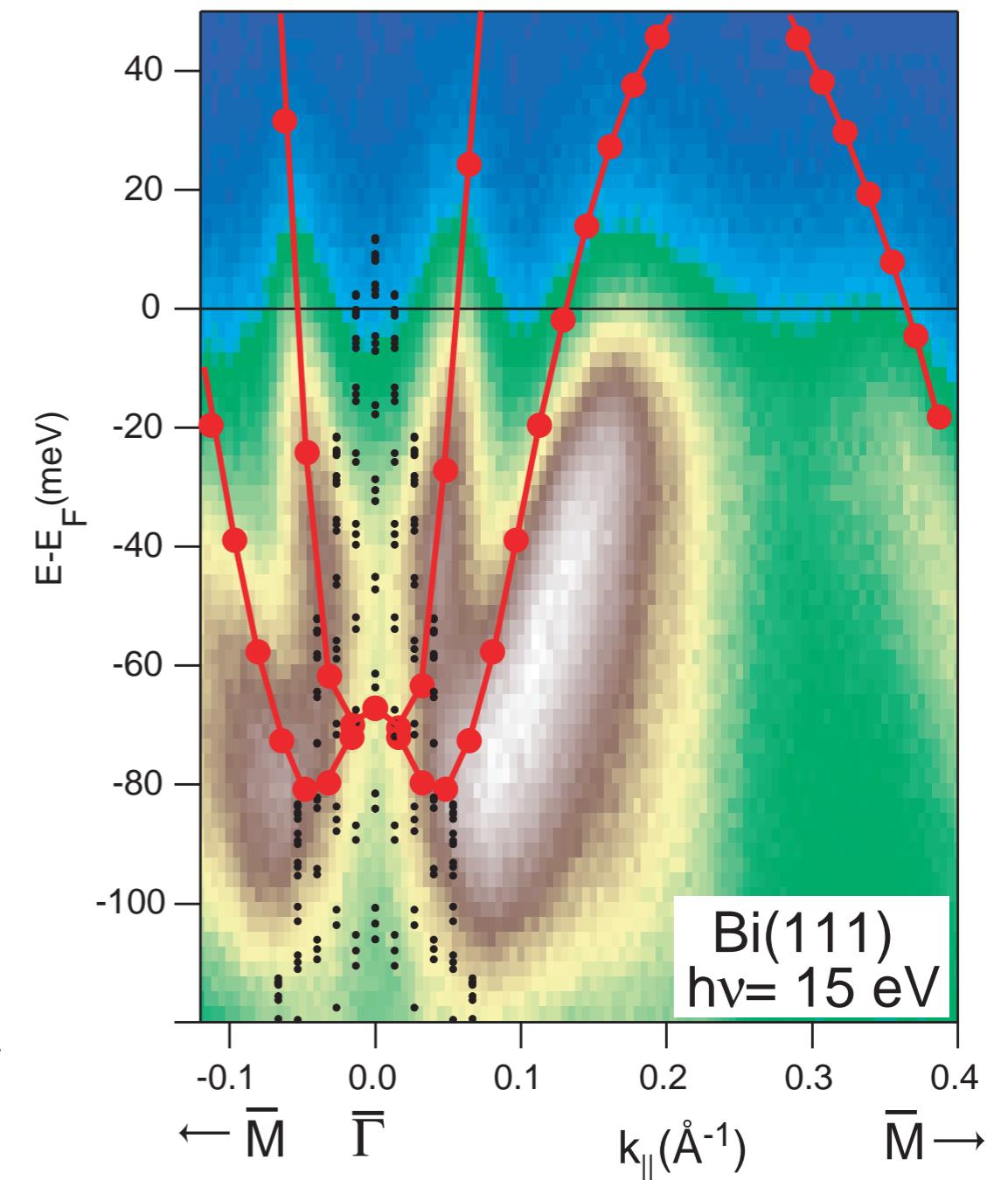
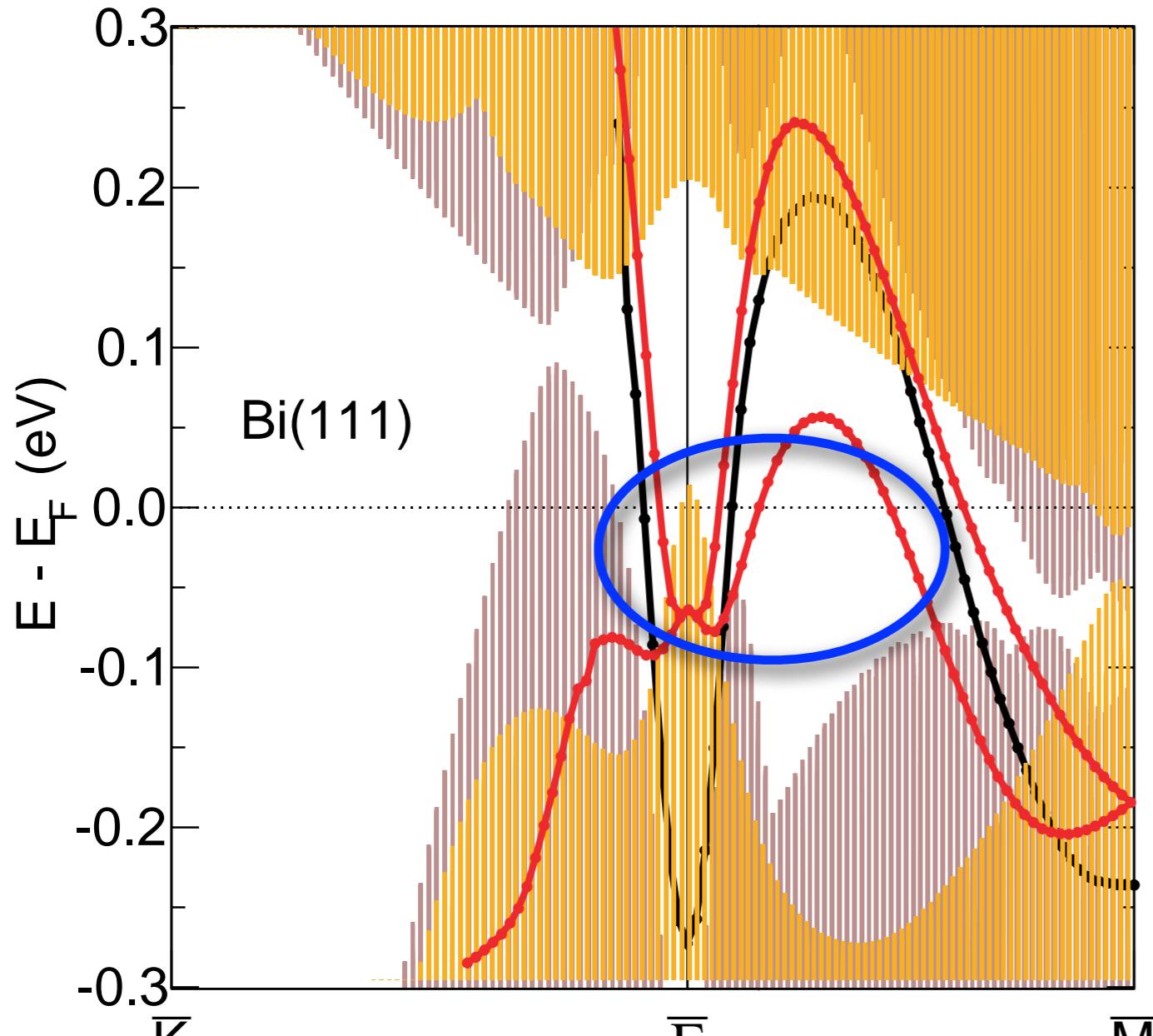
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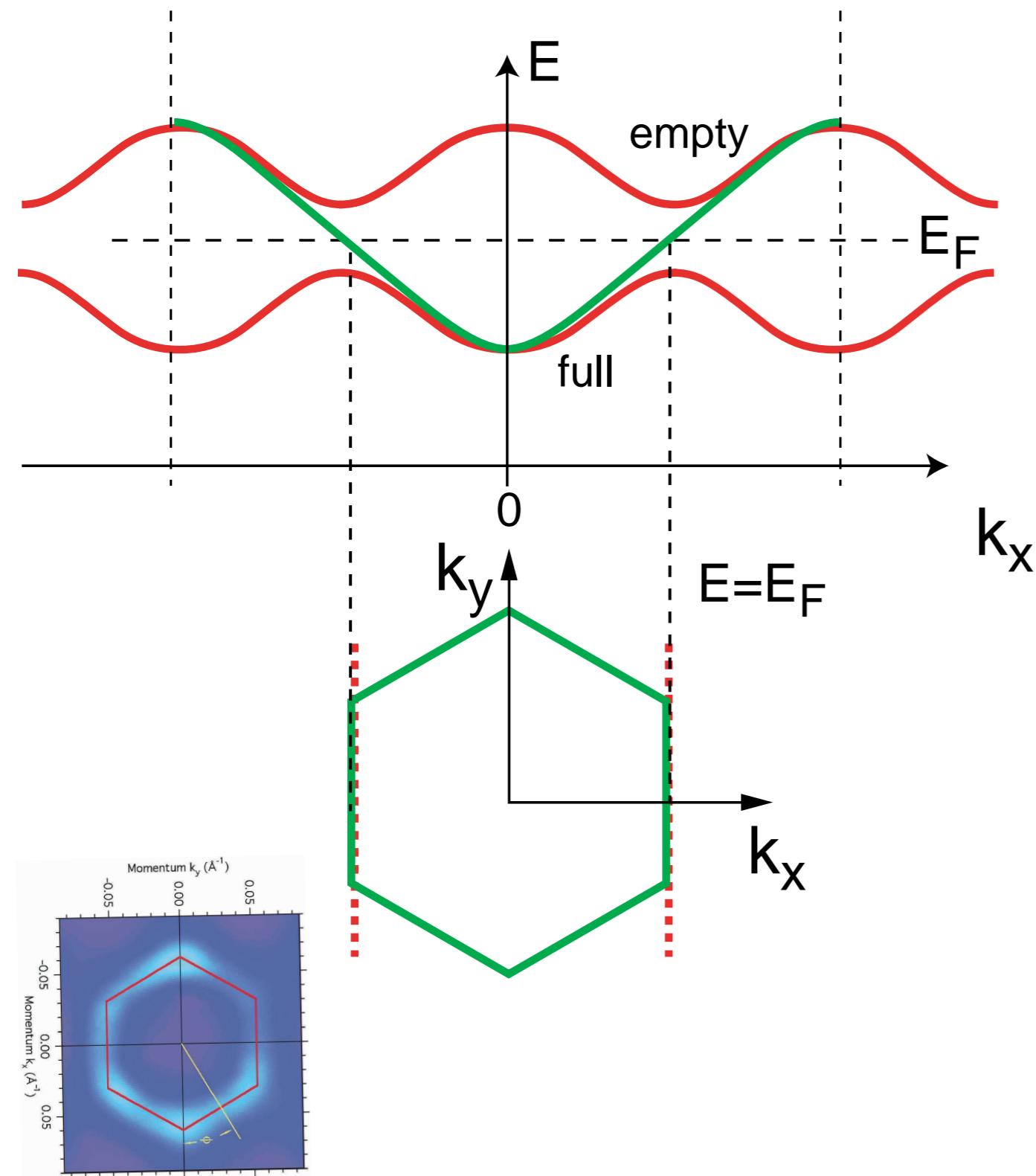
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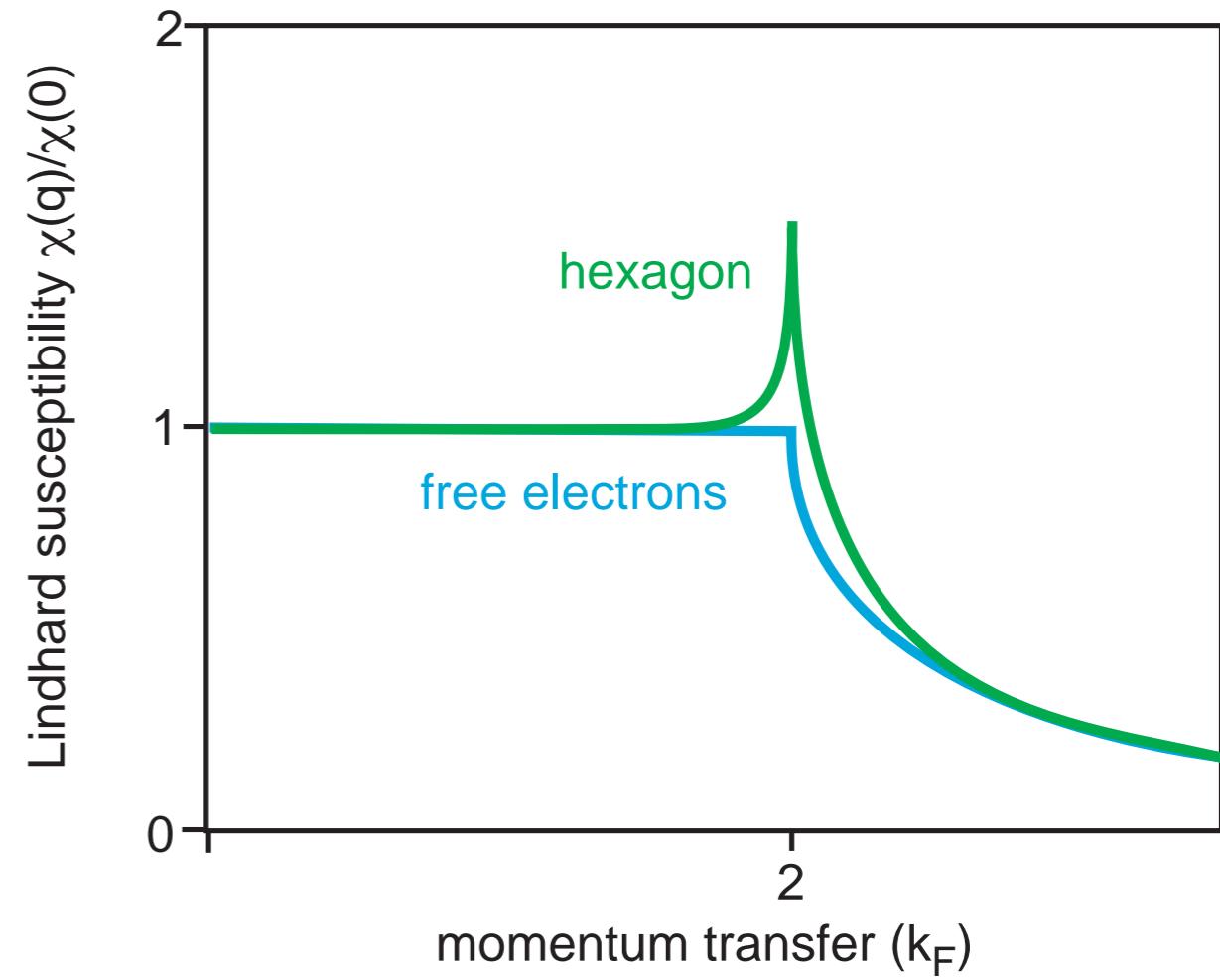
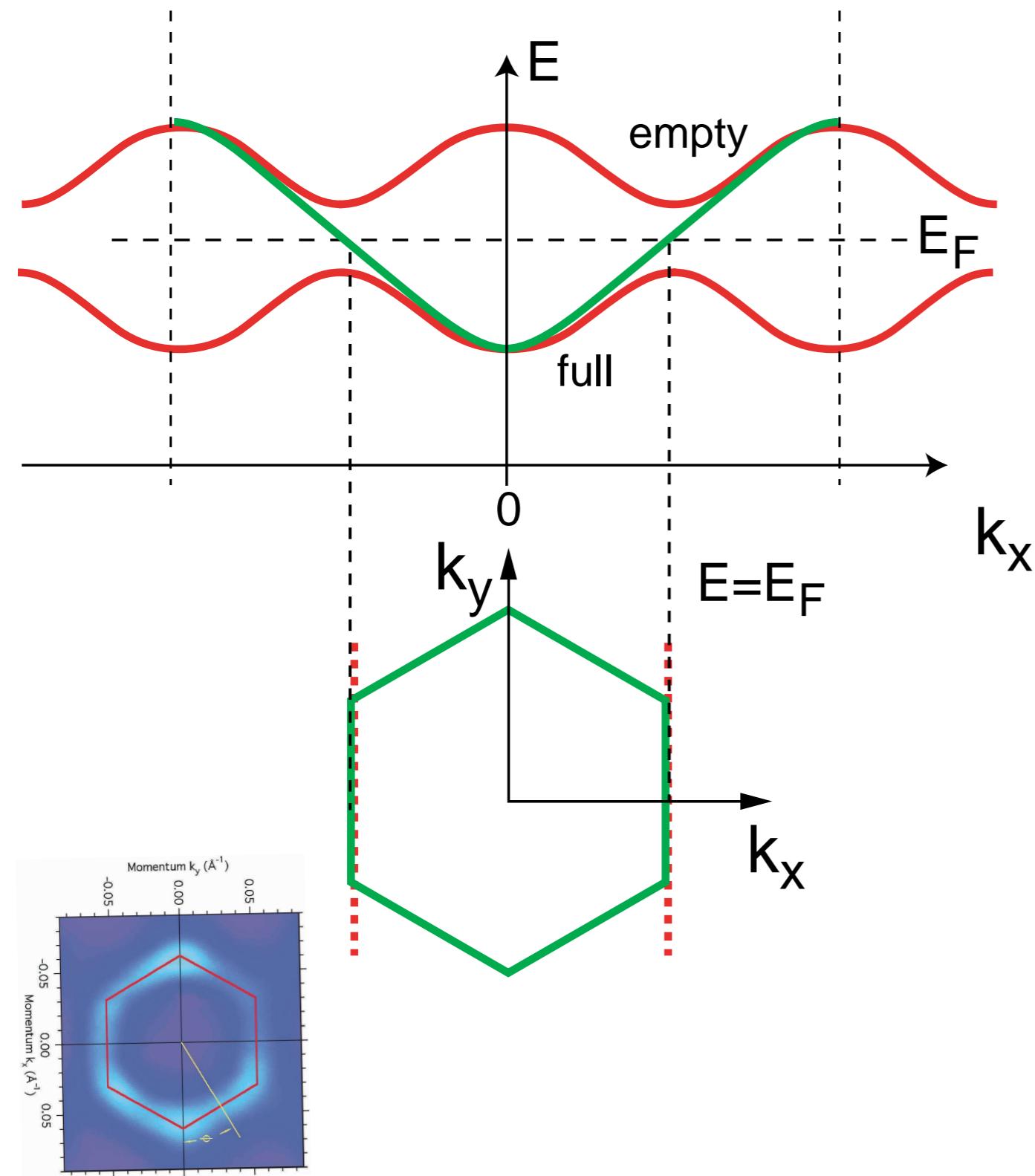
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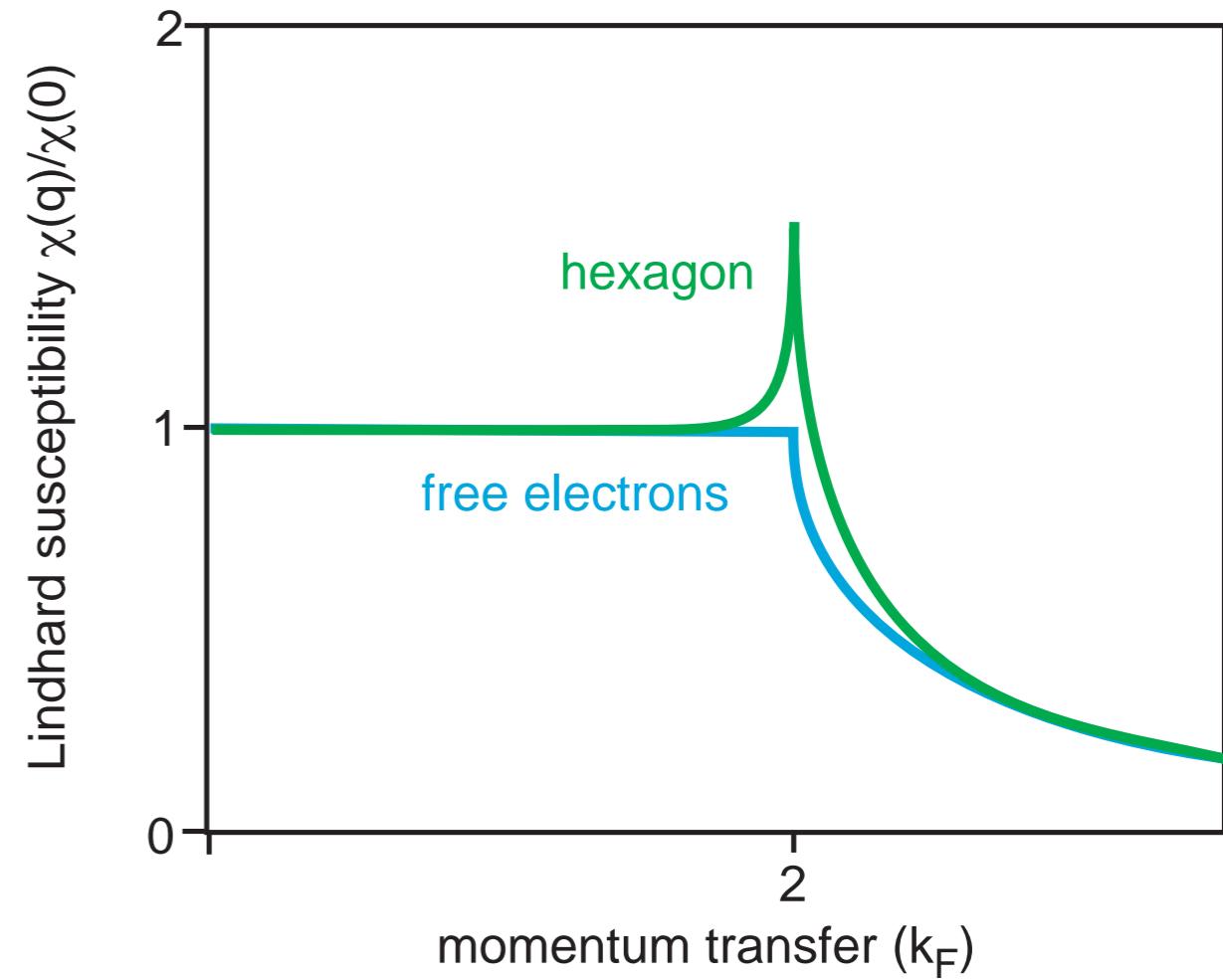
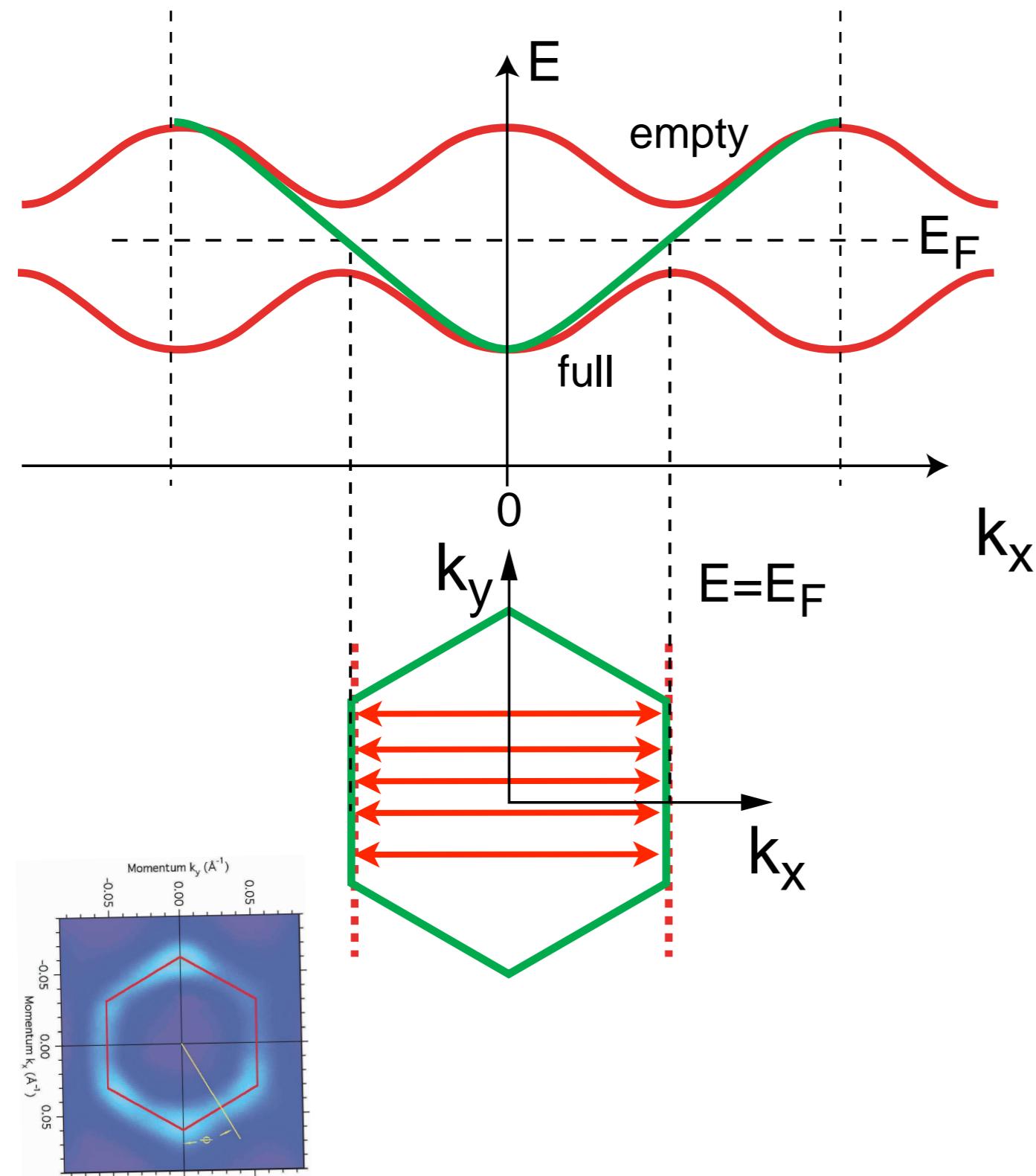
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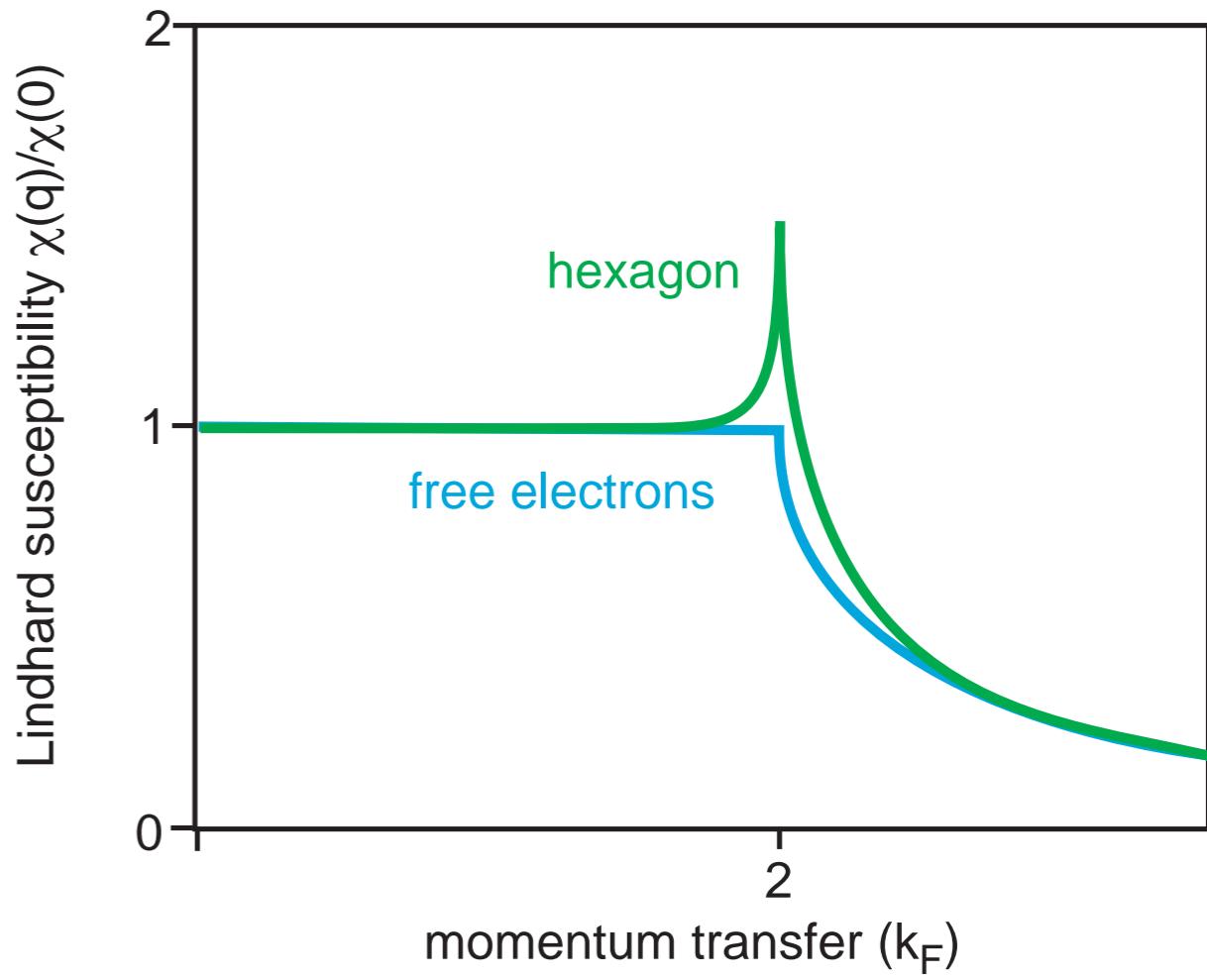
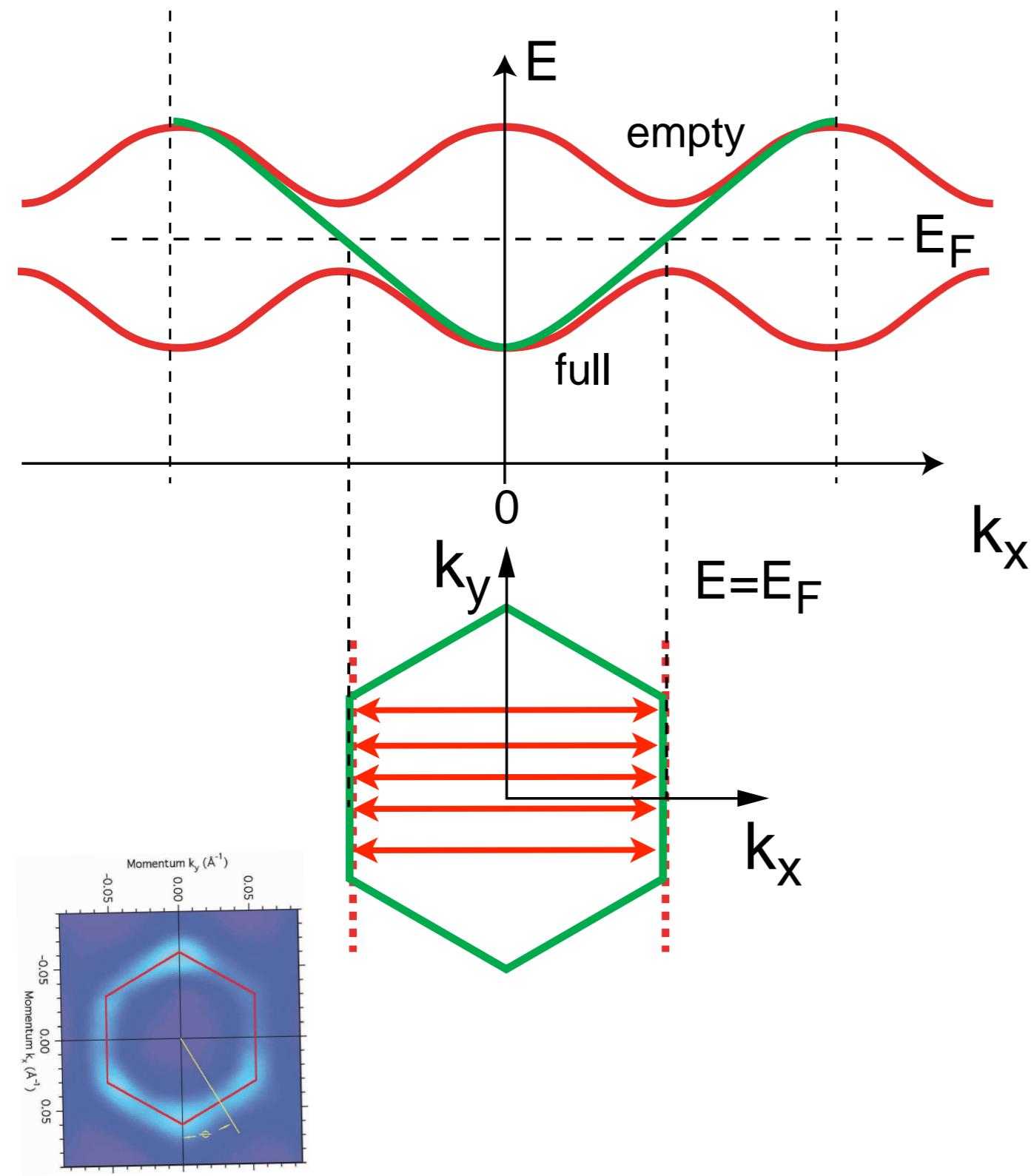
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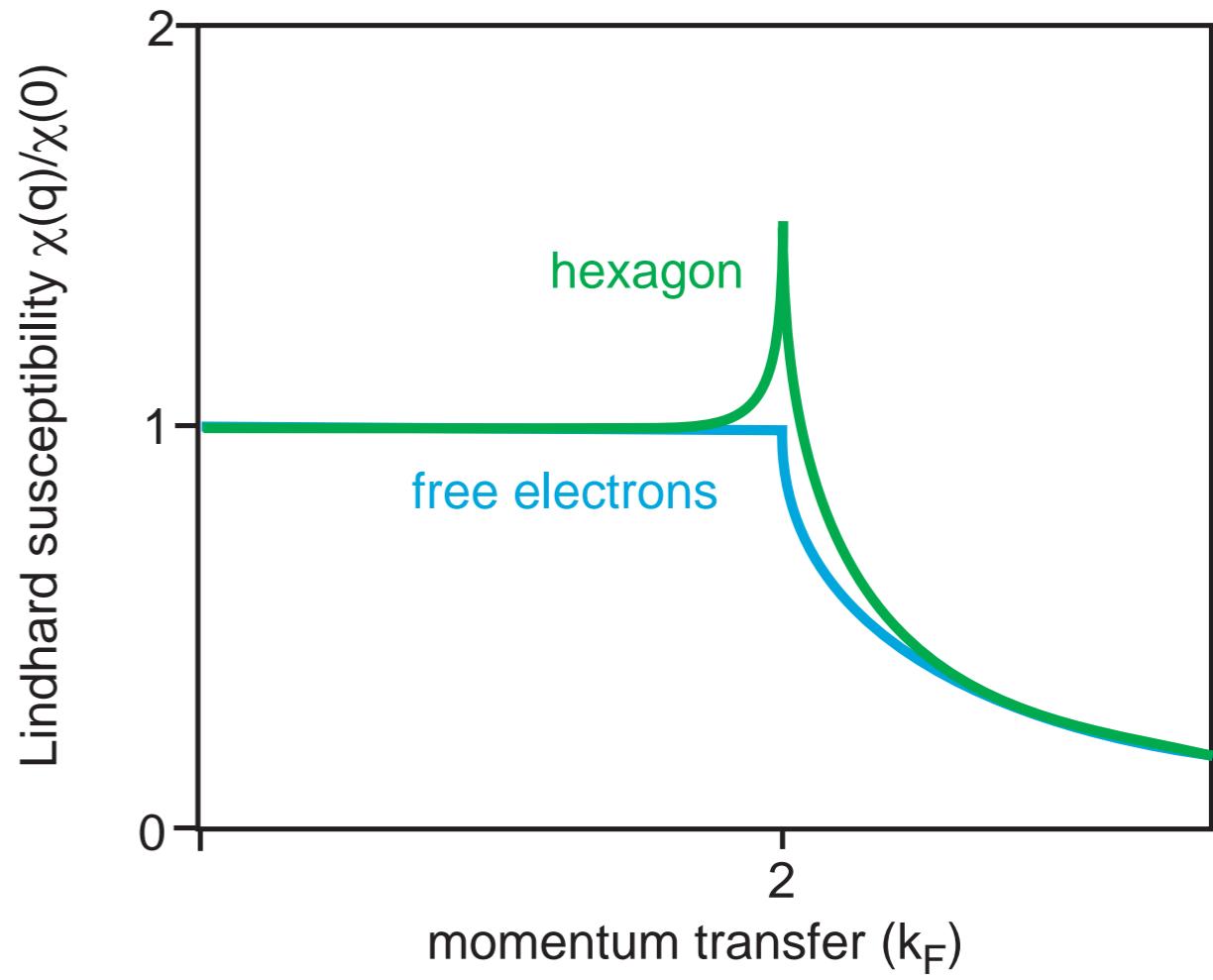
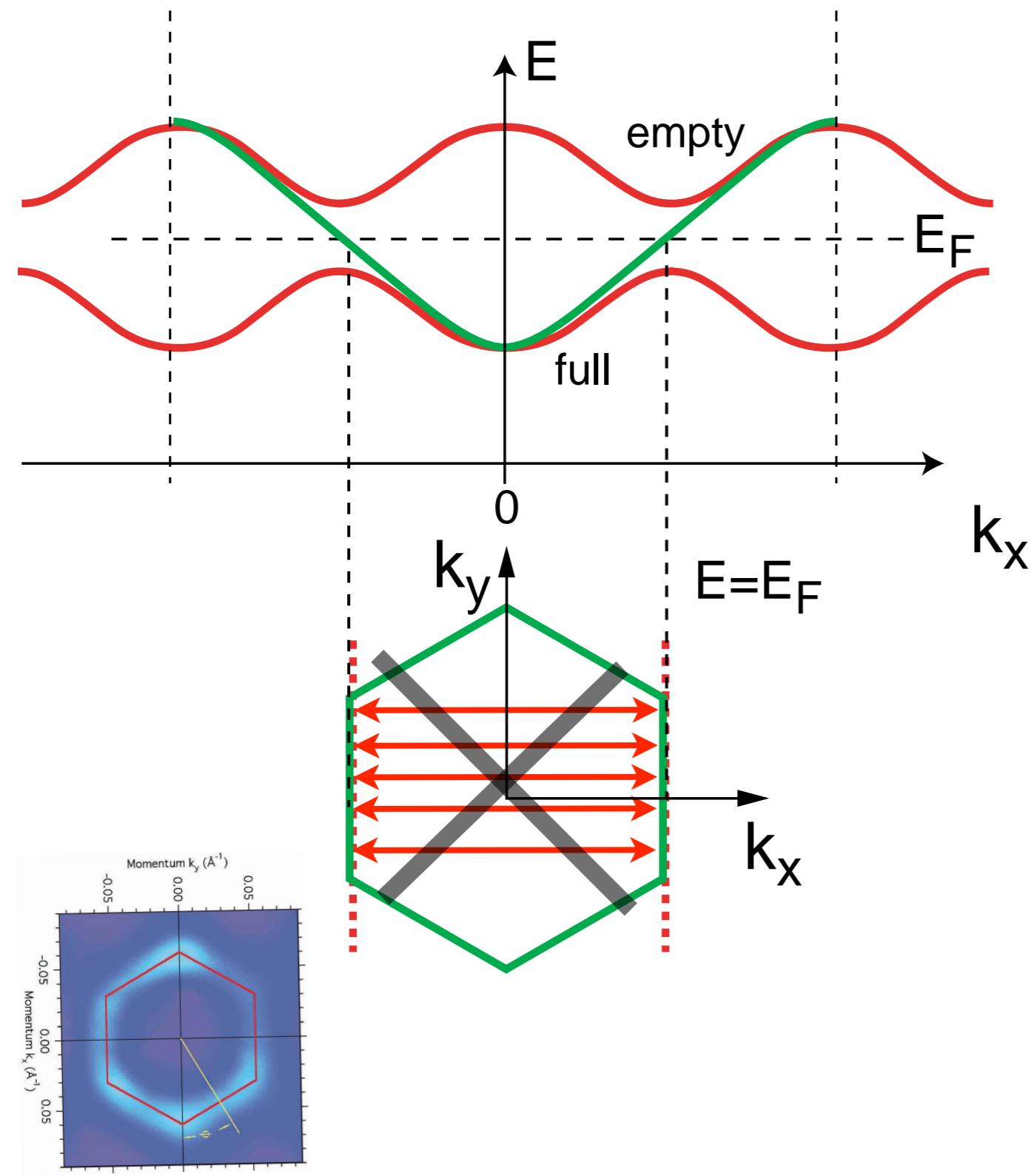
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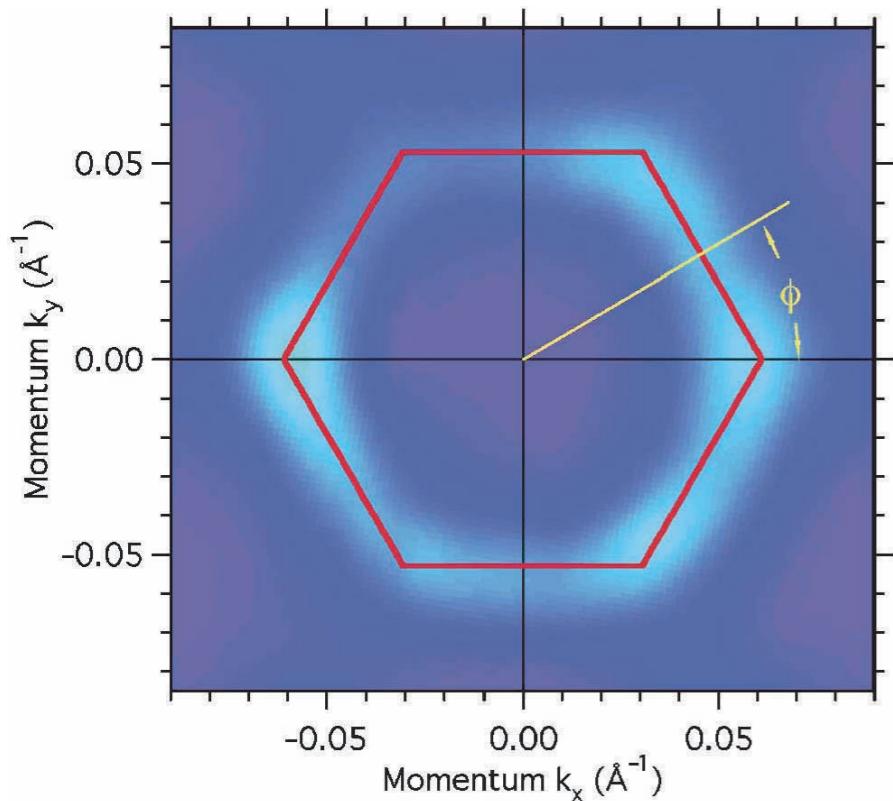


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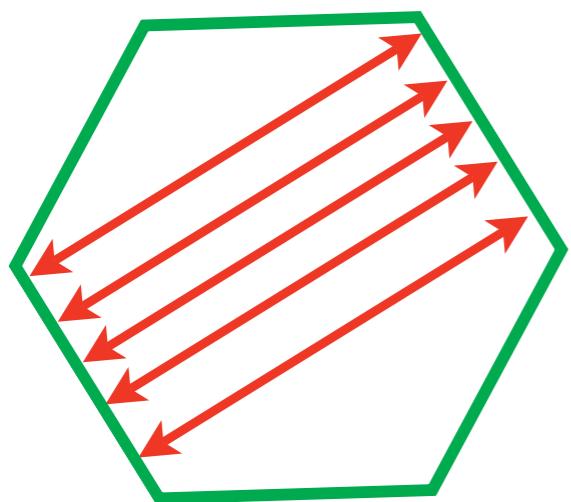
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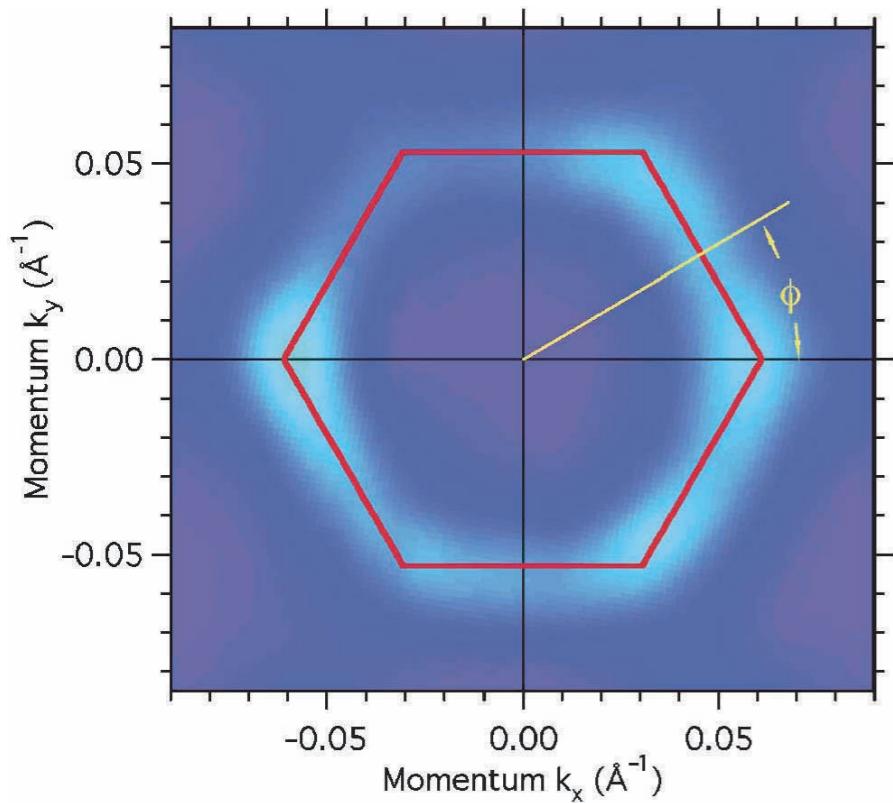


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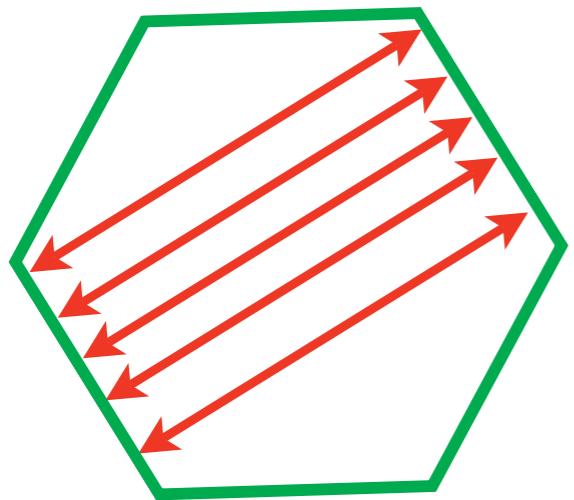


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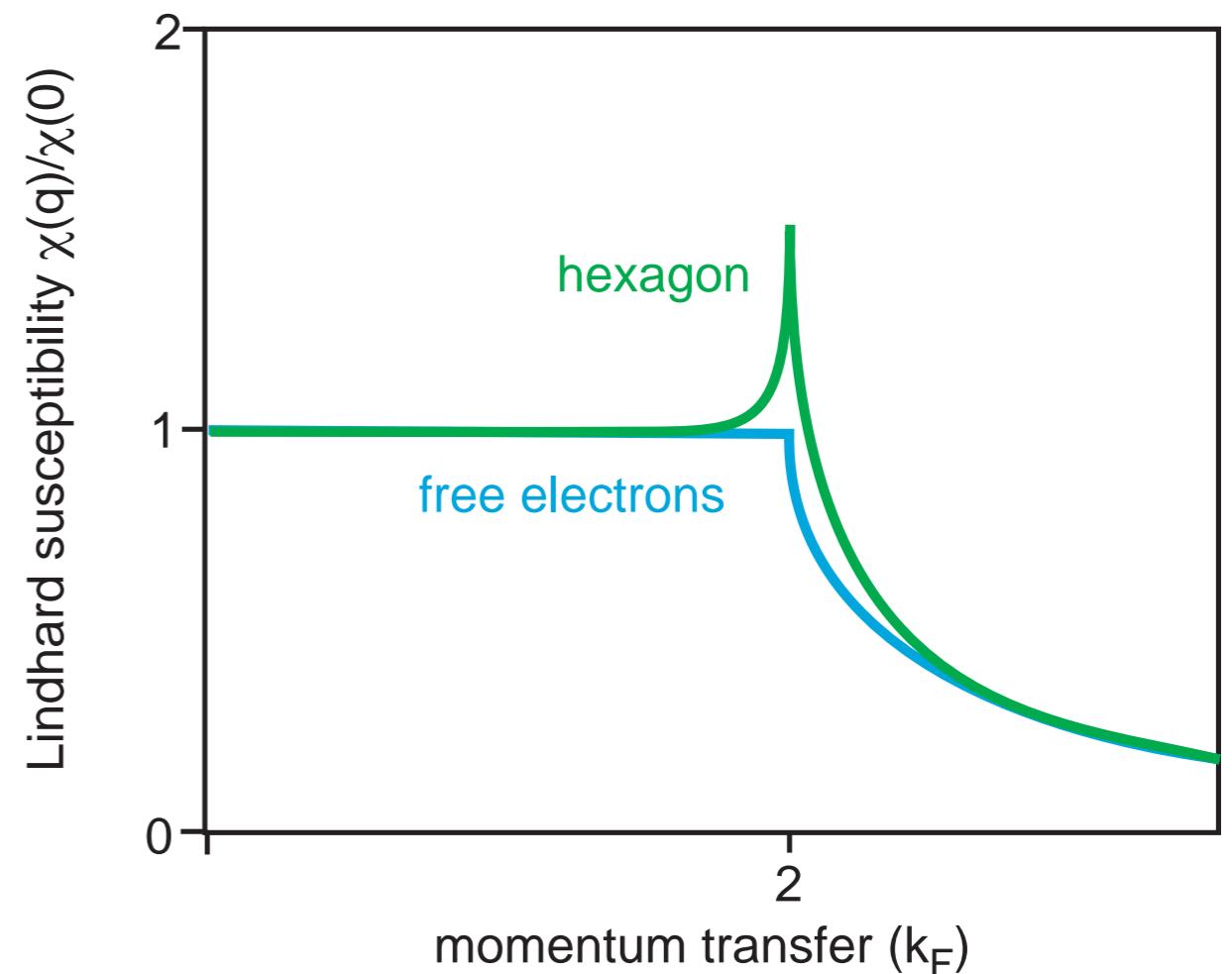


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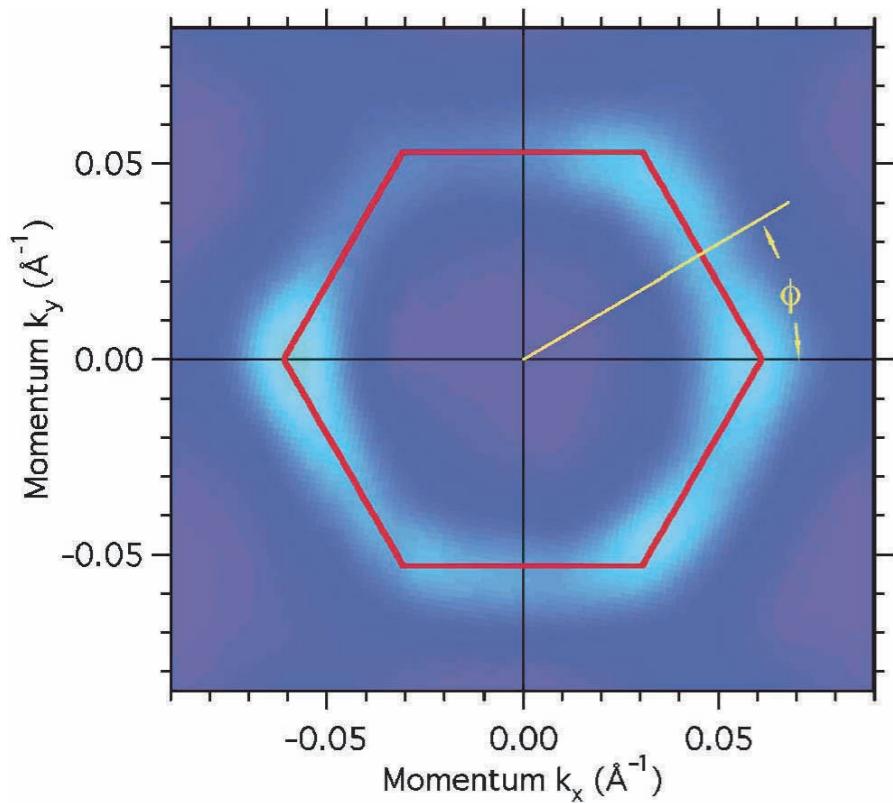
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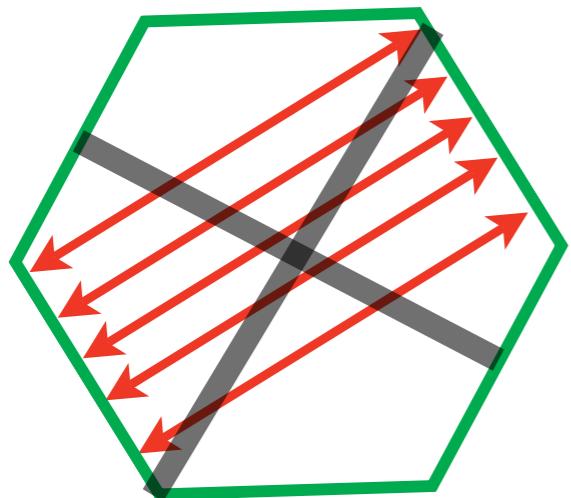


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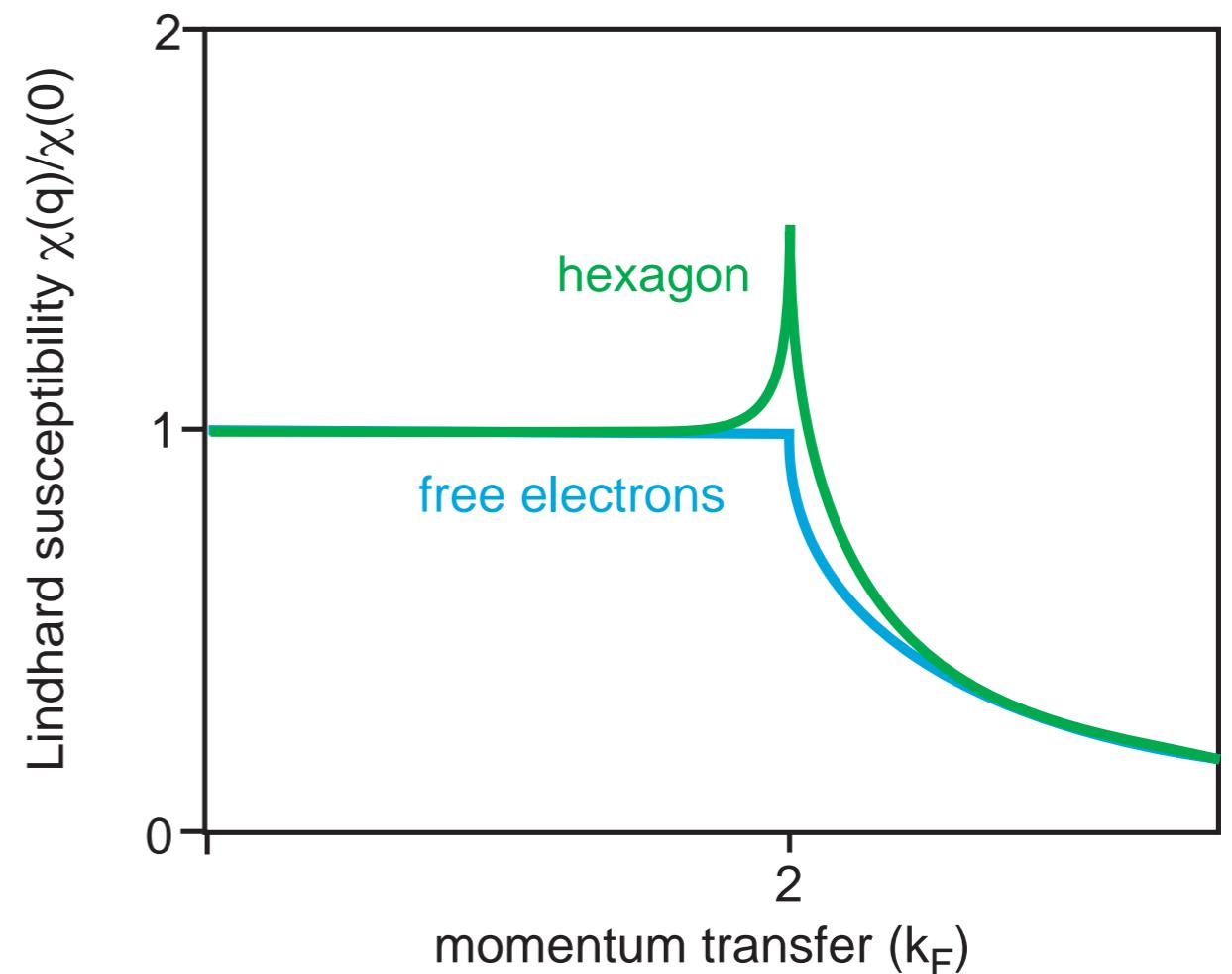


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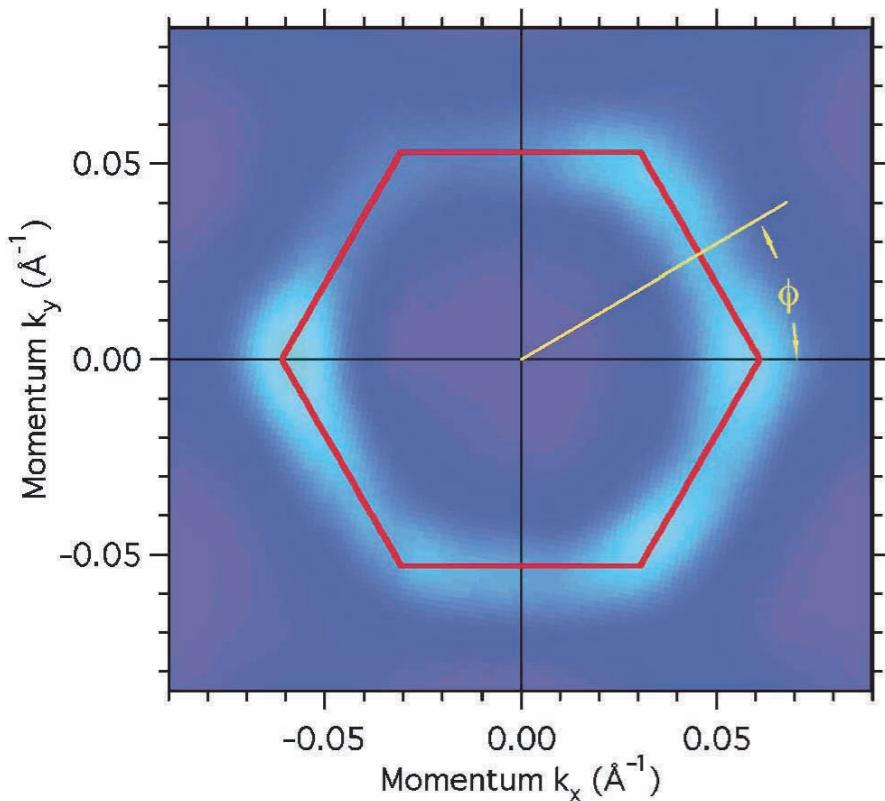
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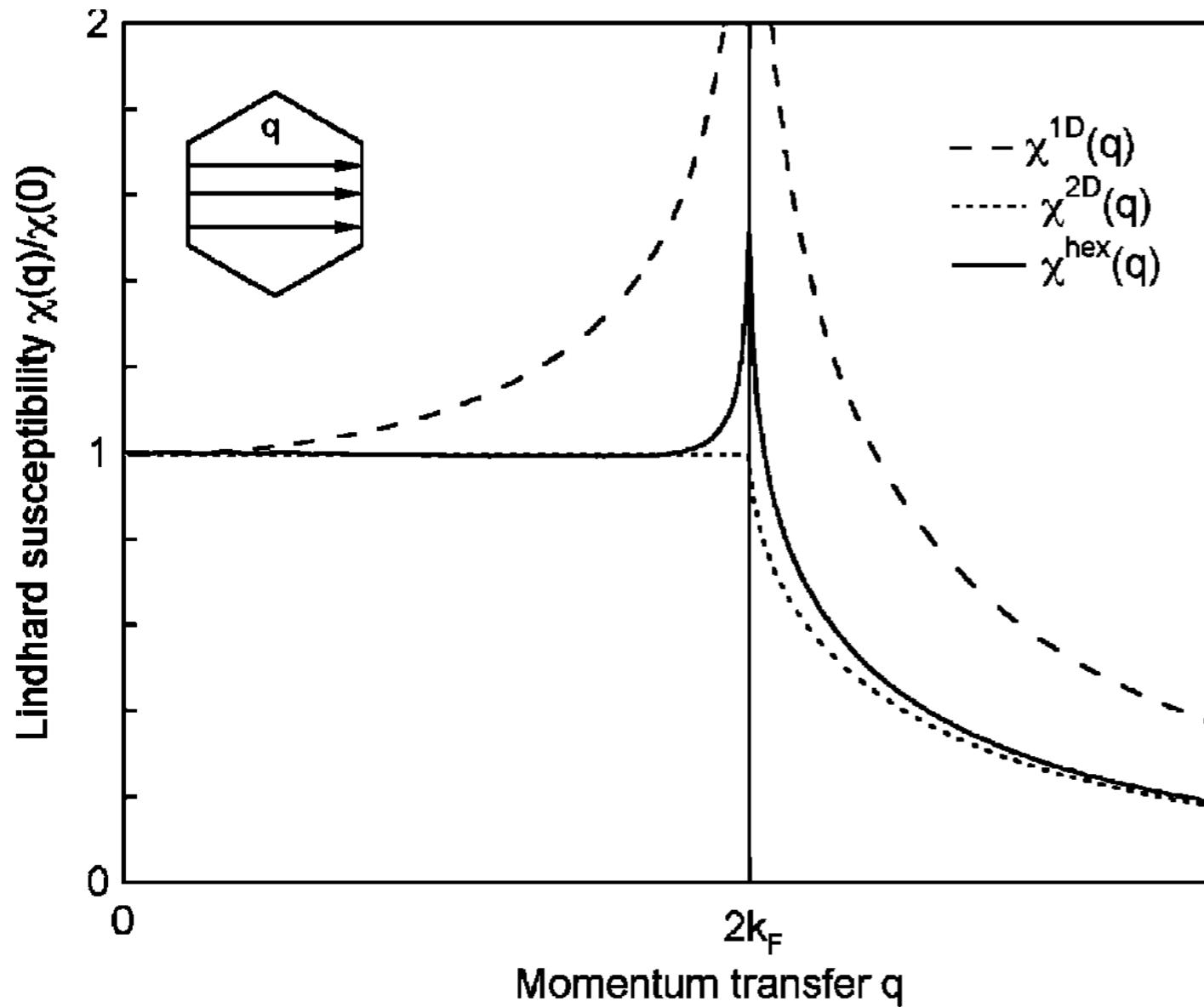
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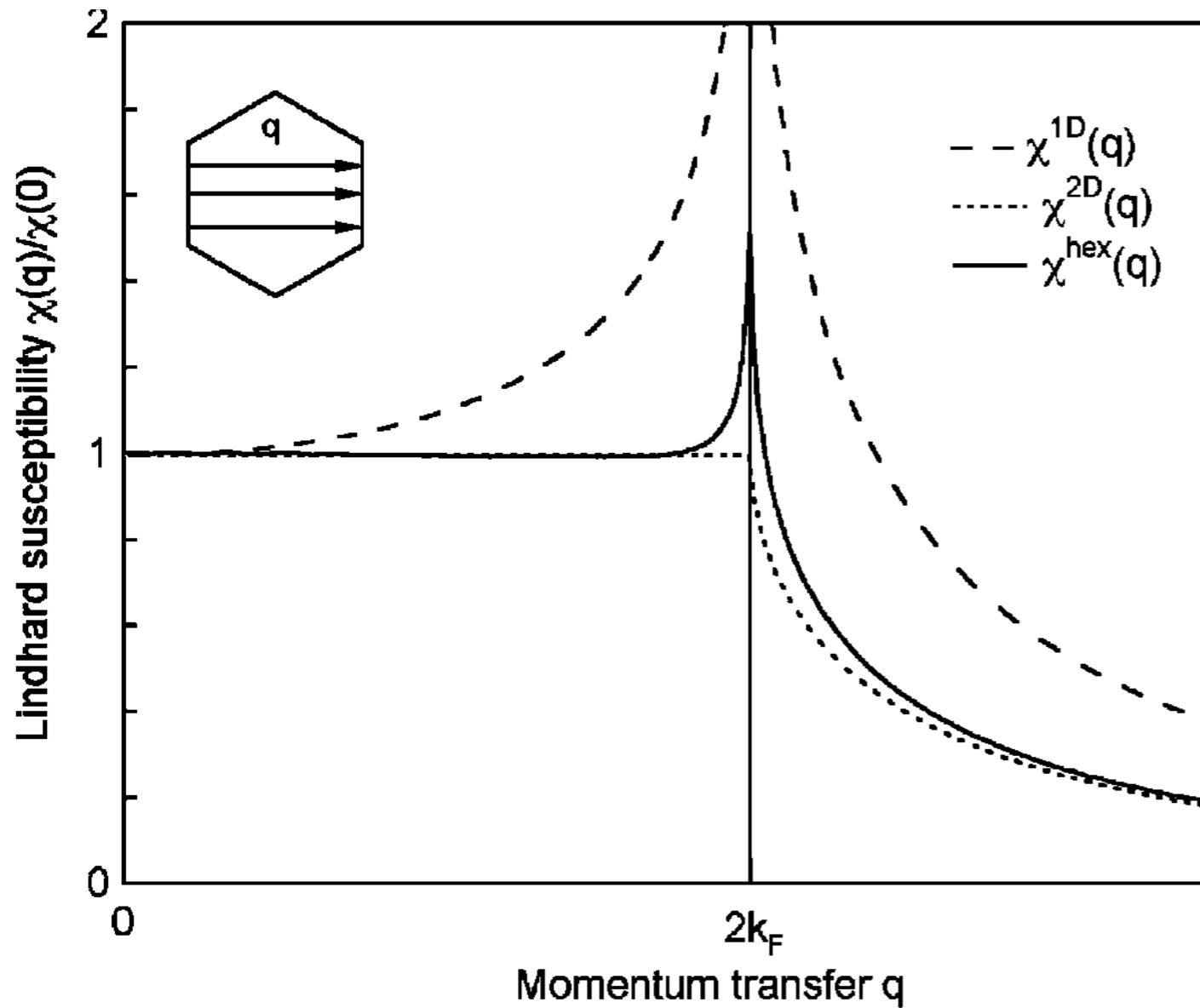


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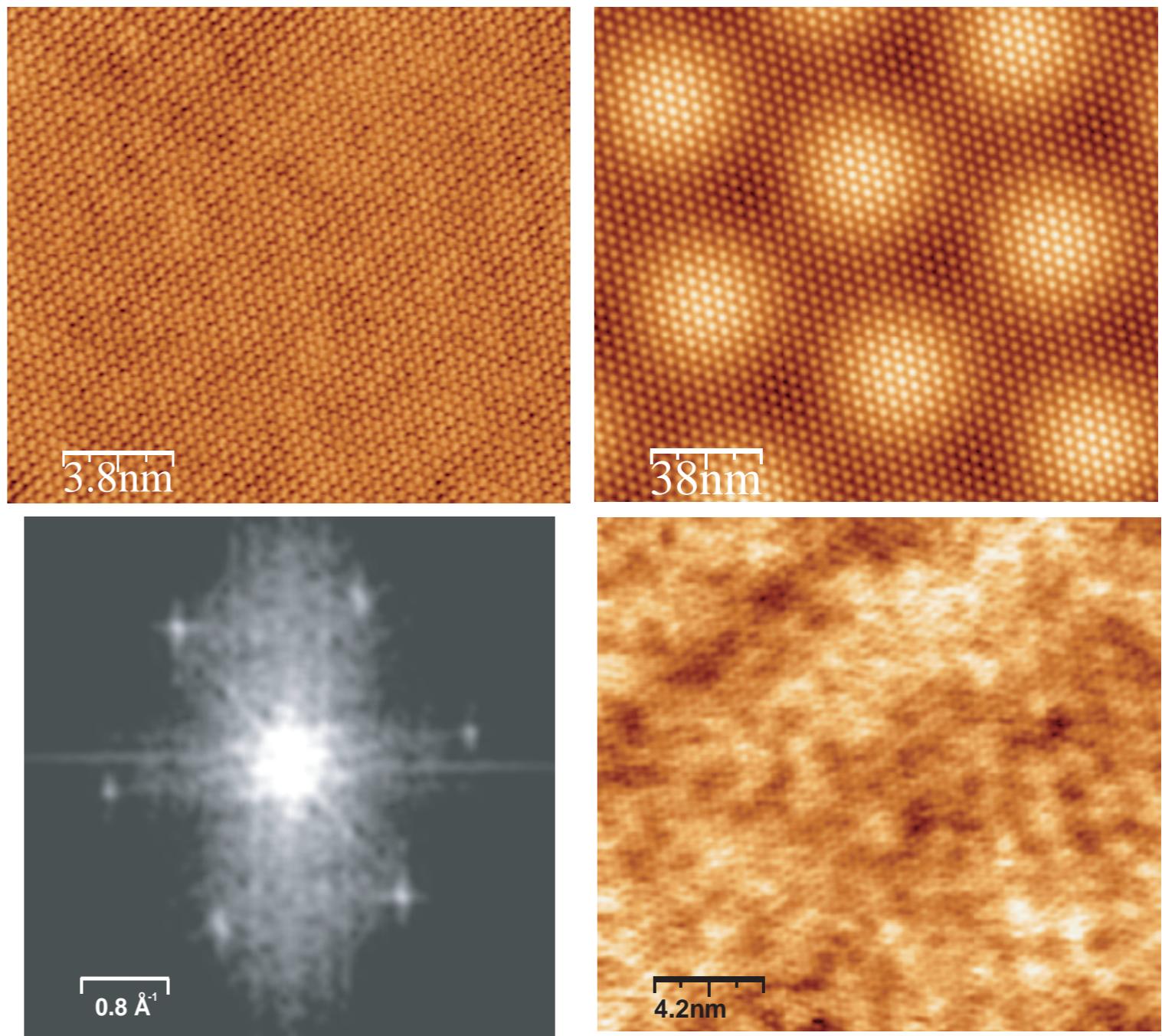
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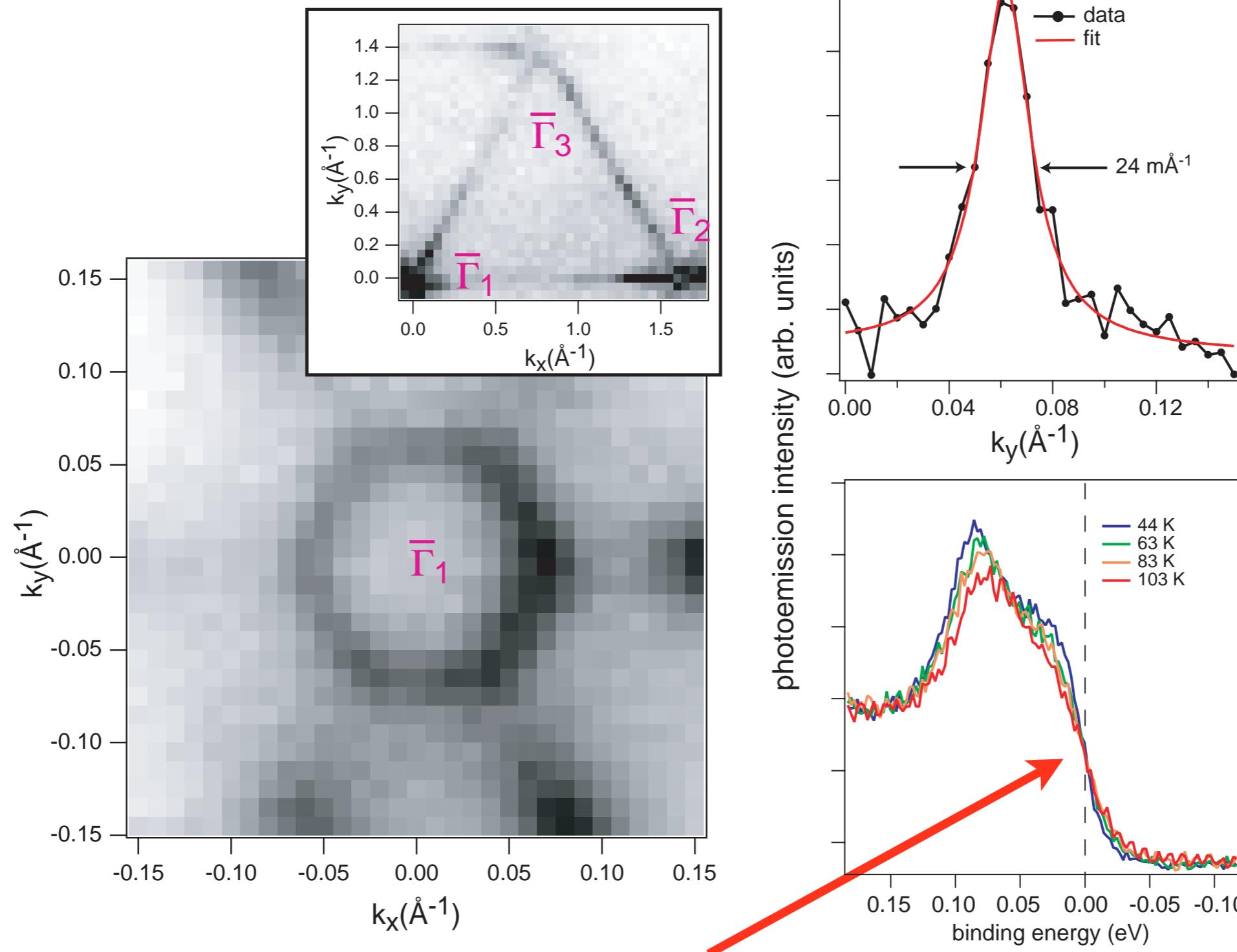
Is there a charge density wave on Bi(111)?

- STM does not show signs of a charge density wave.
- the observed structures are consistent with the picture of quasiparticle interference just developed.
- Transmission electron microscopy does not show a charge density wave either (not shown)



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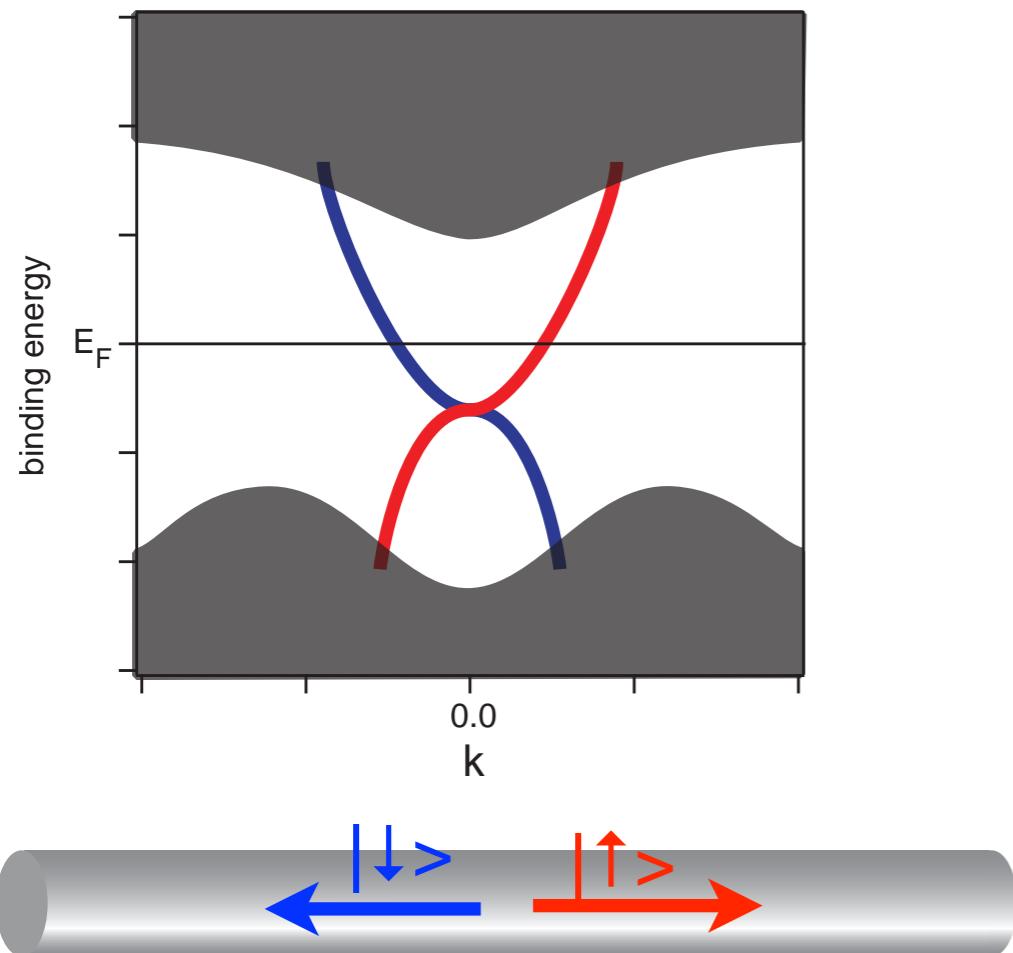
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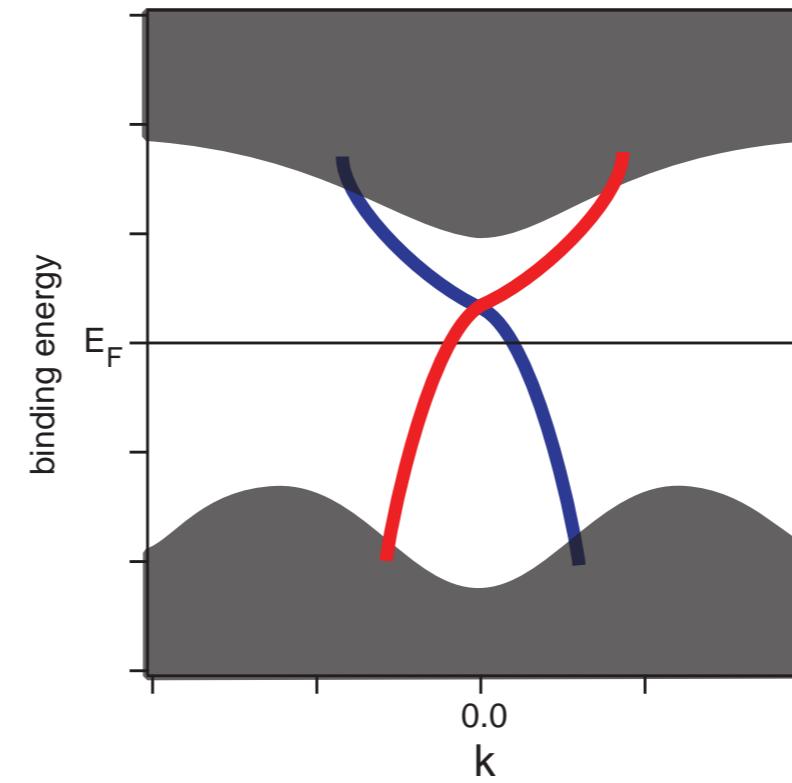
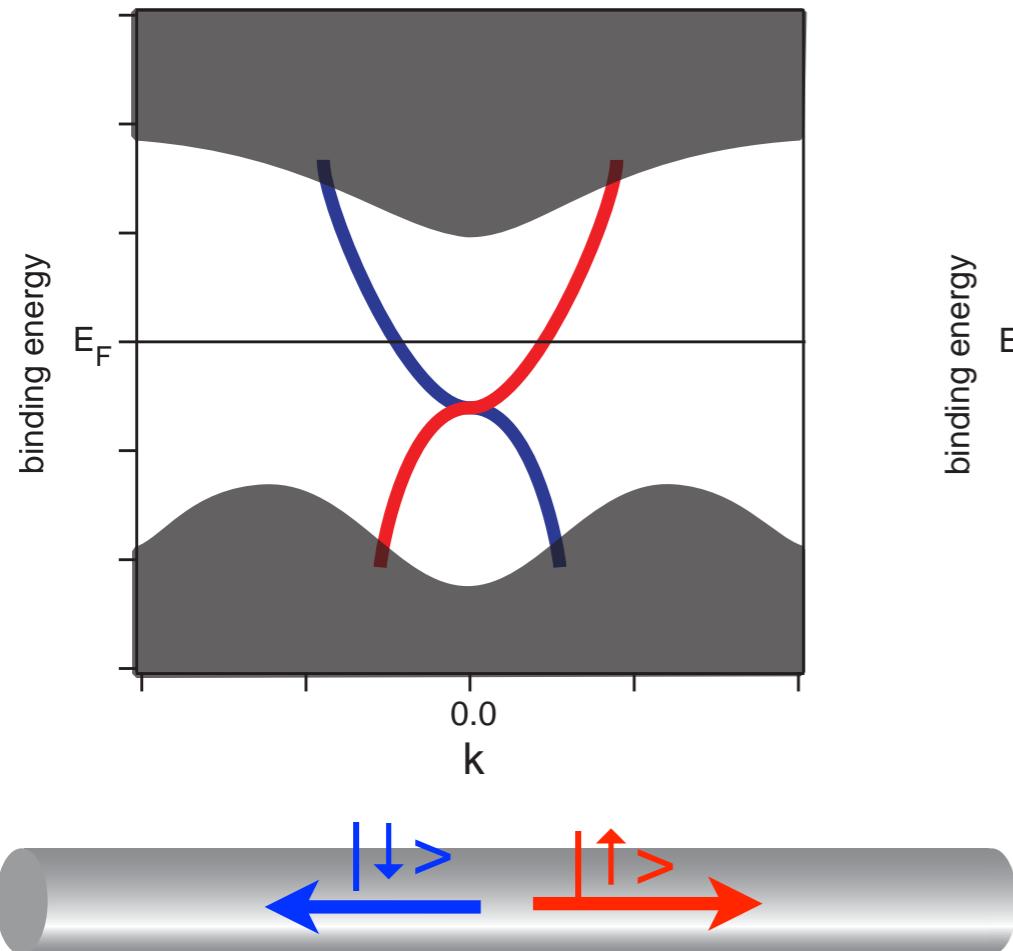
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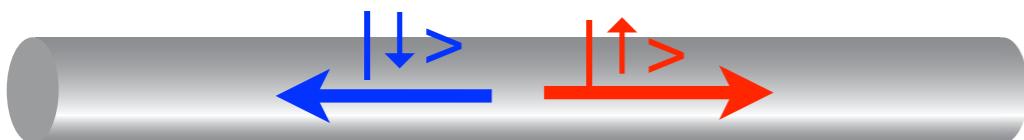
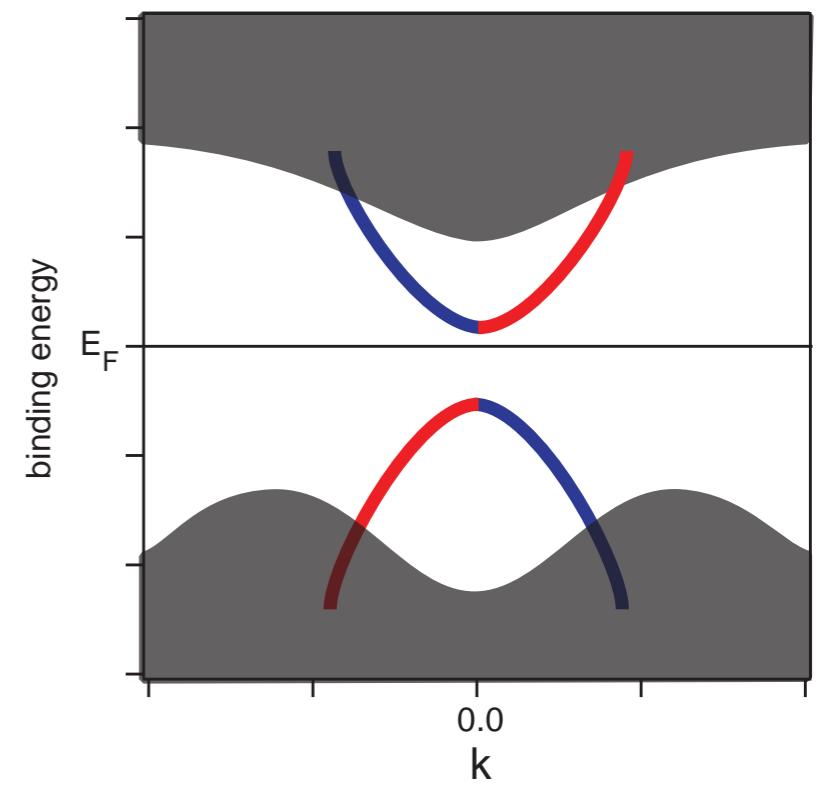
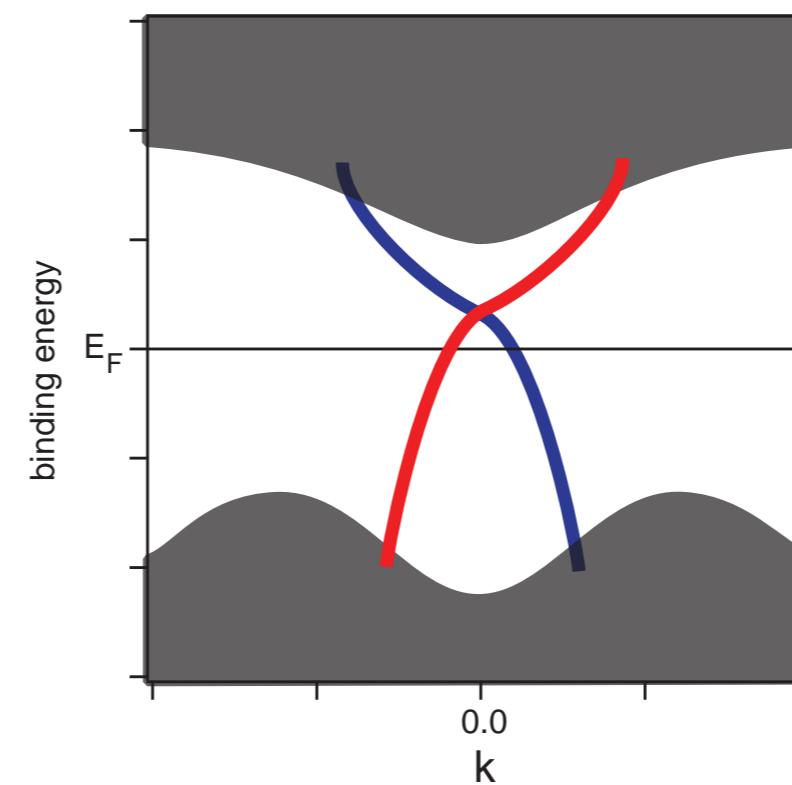
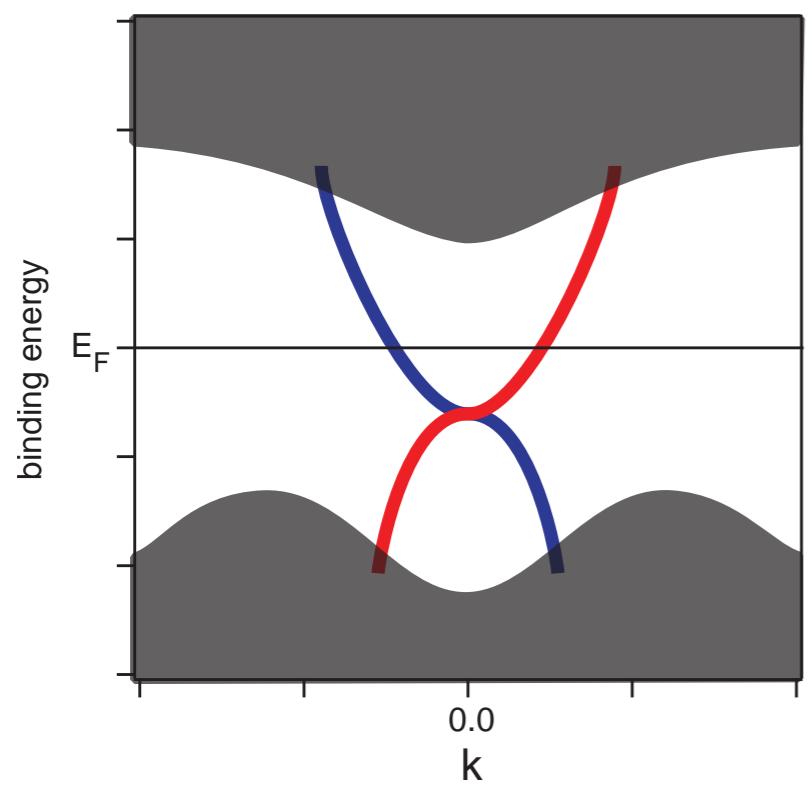
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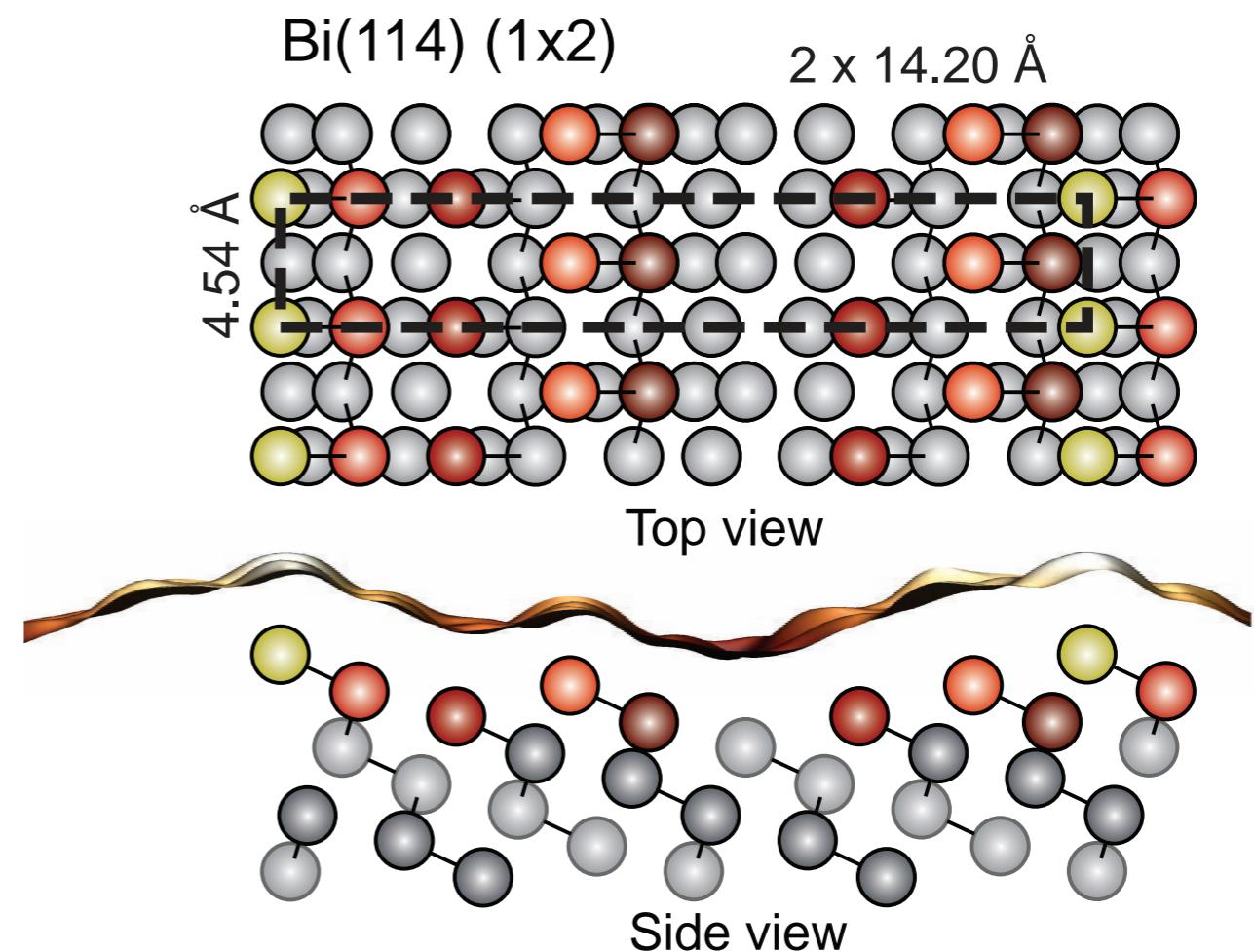
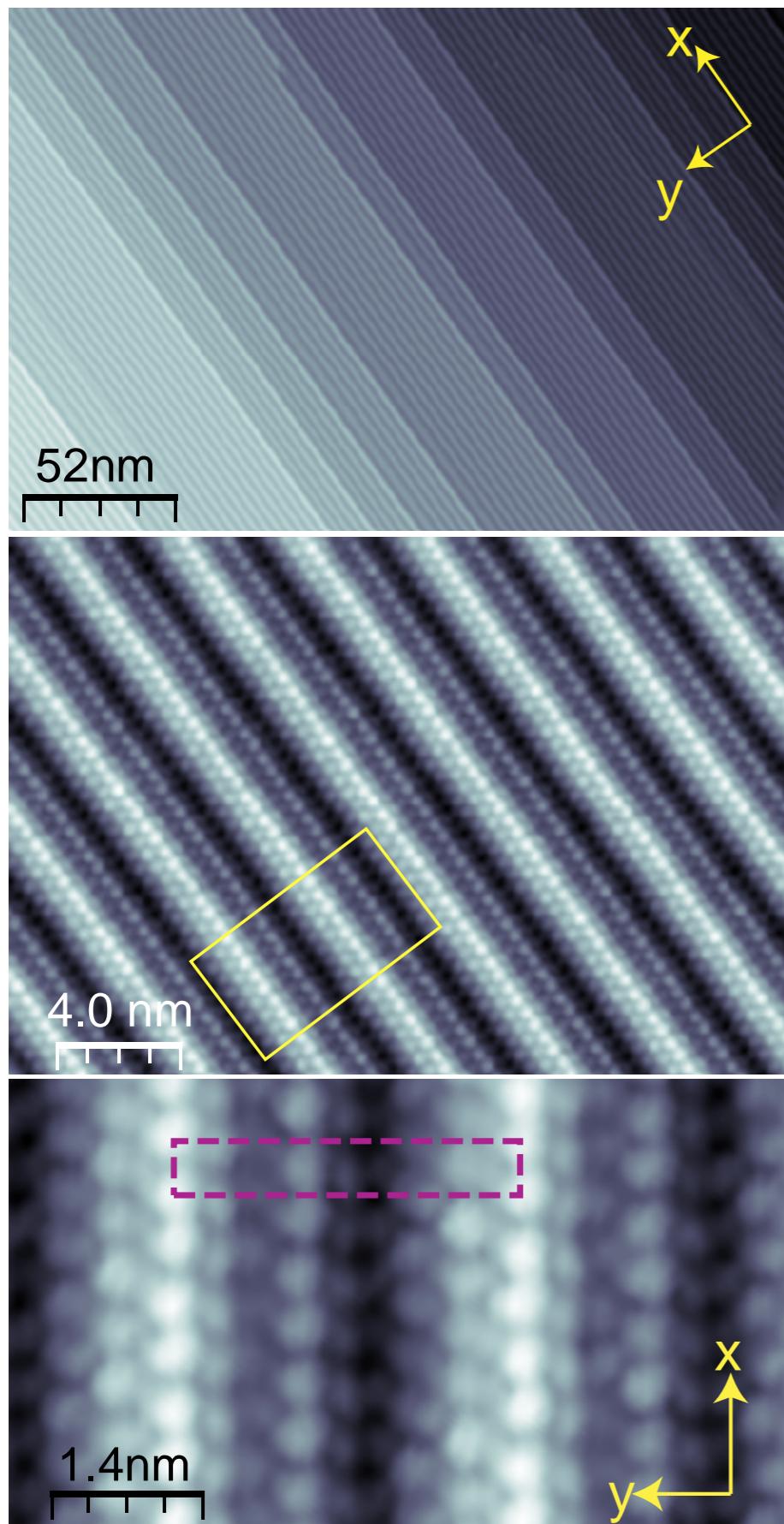
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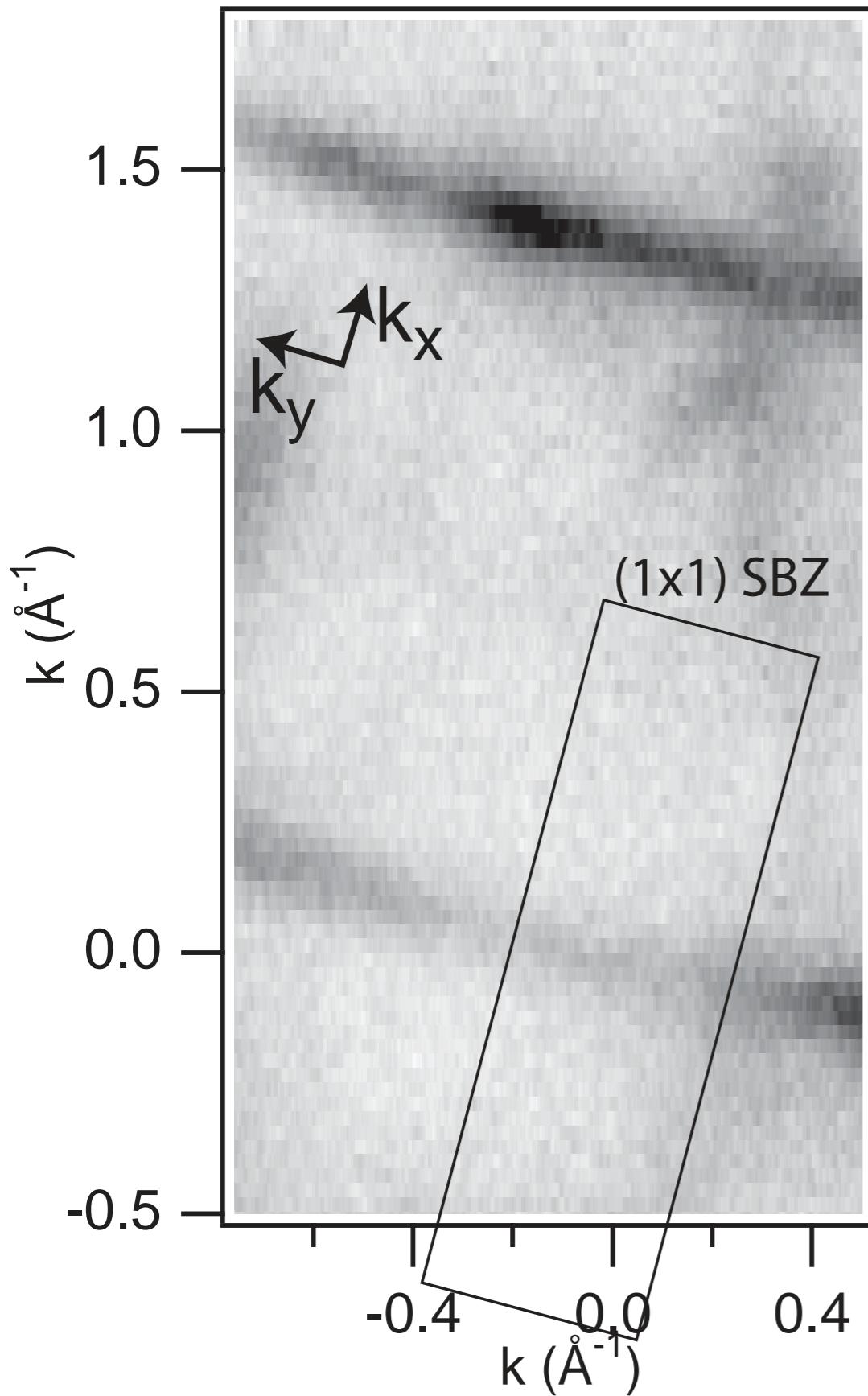
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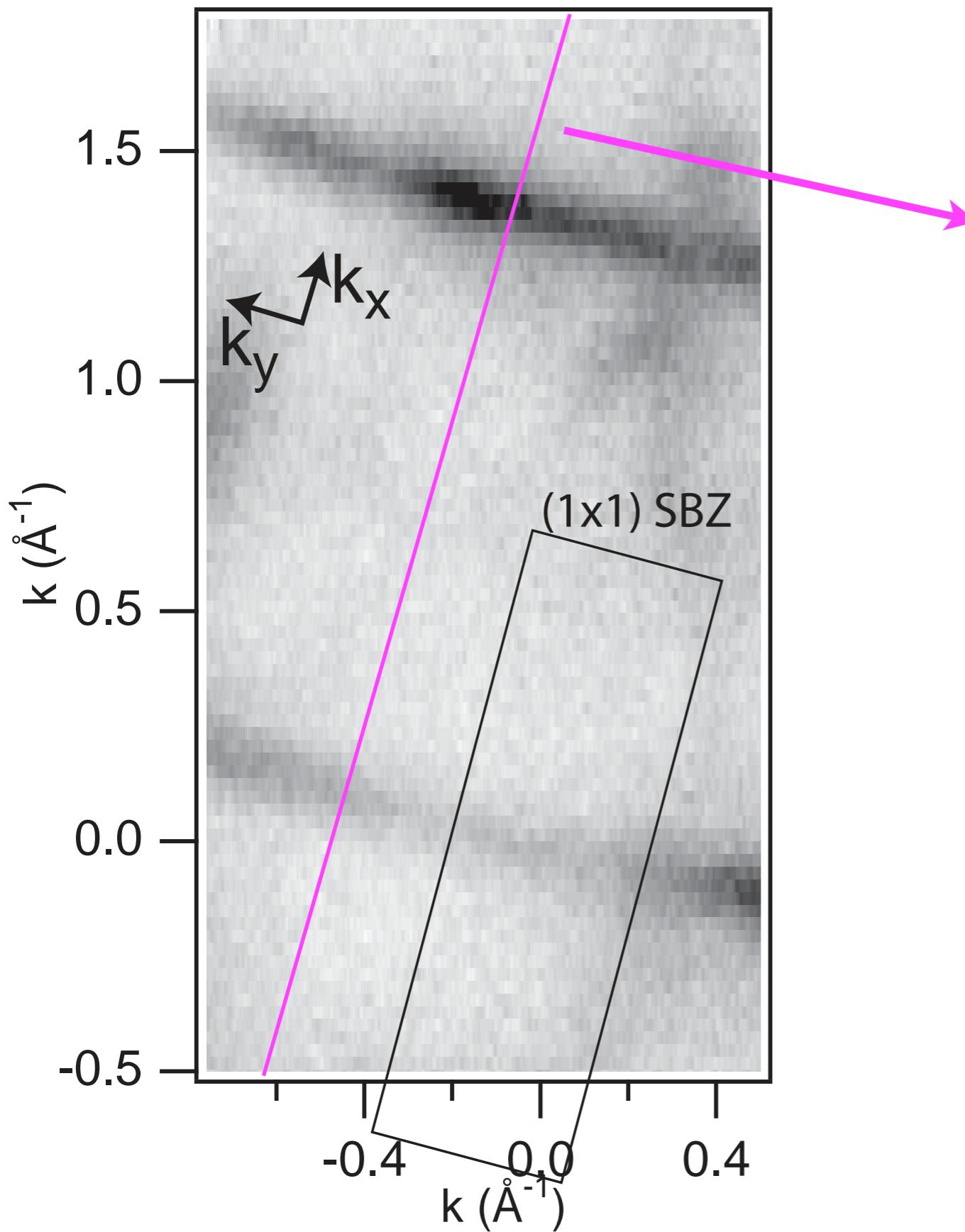
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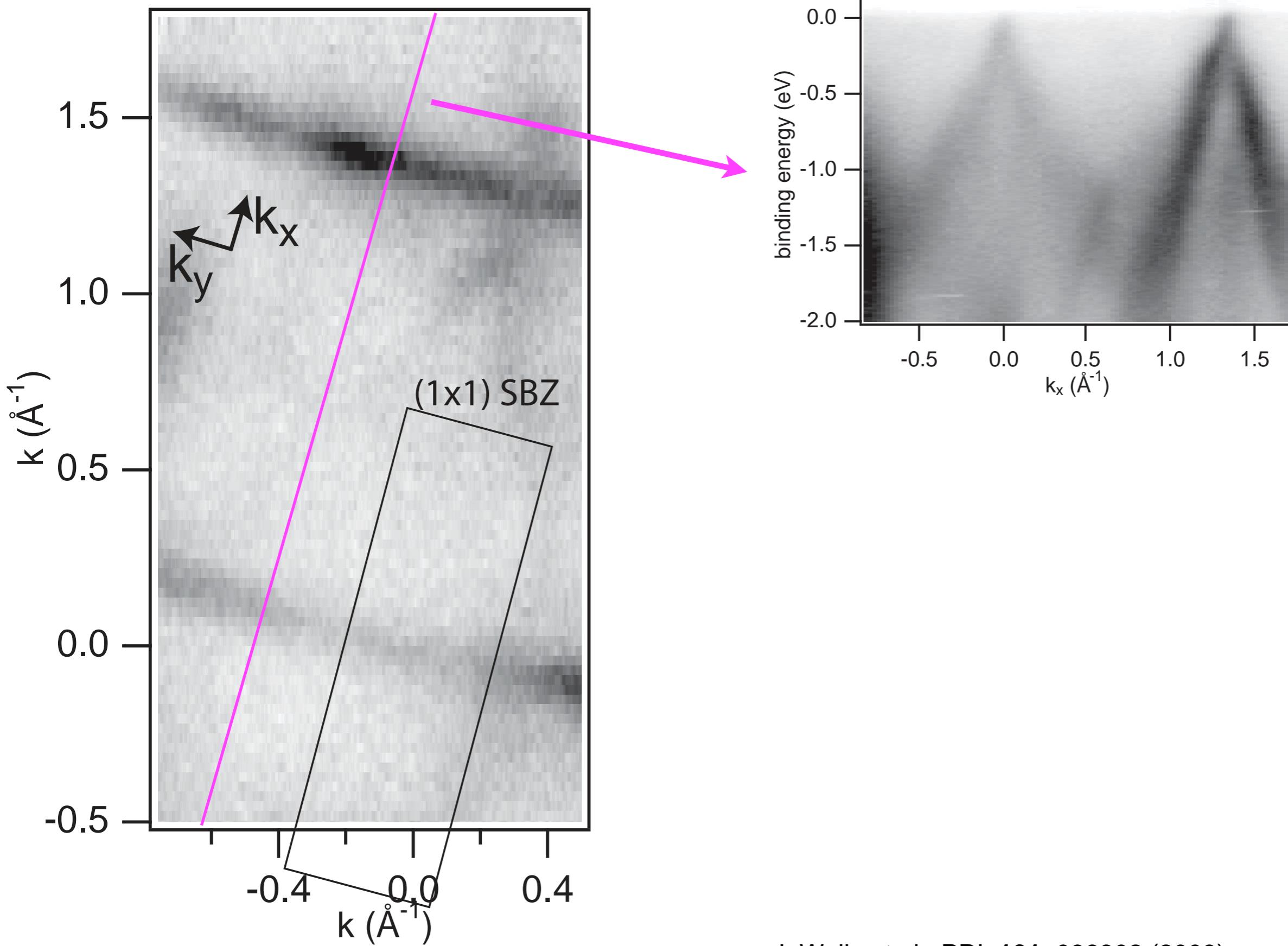
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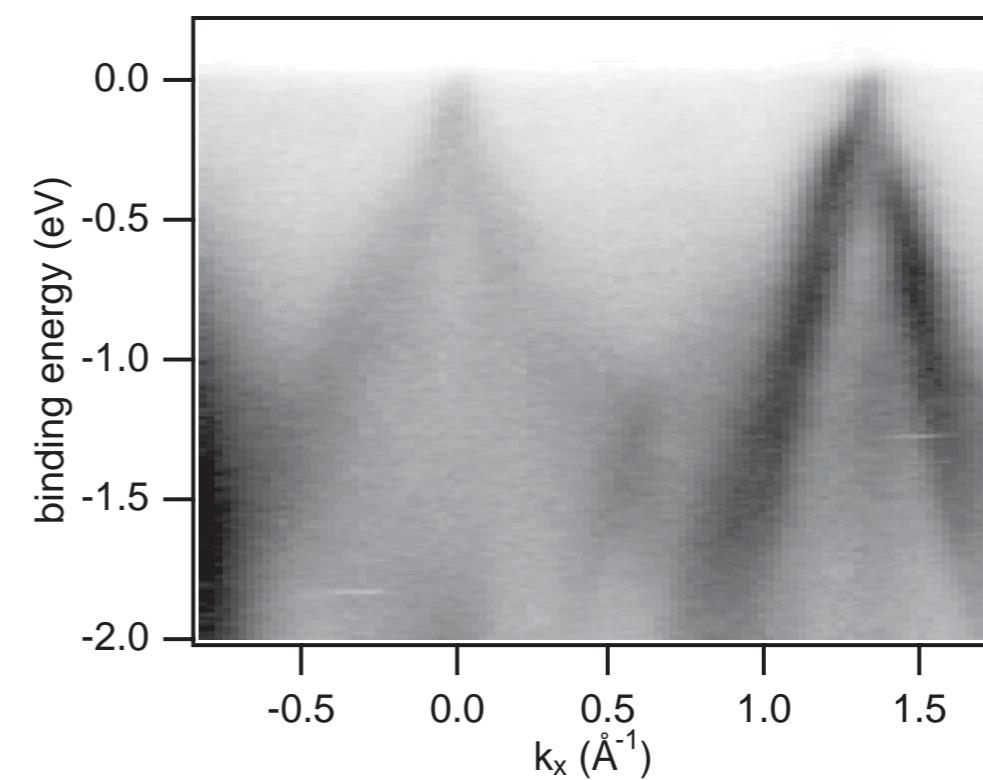
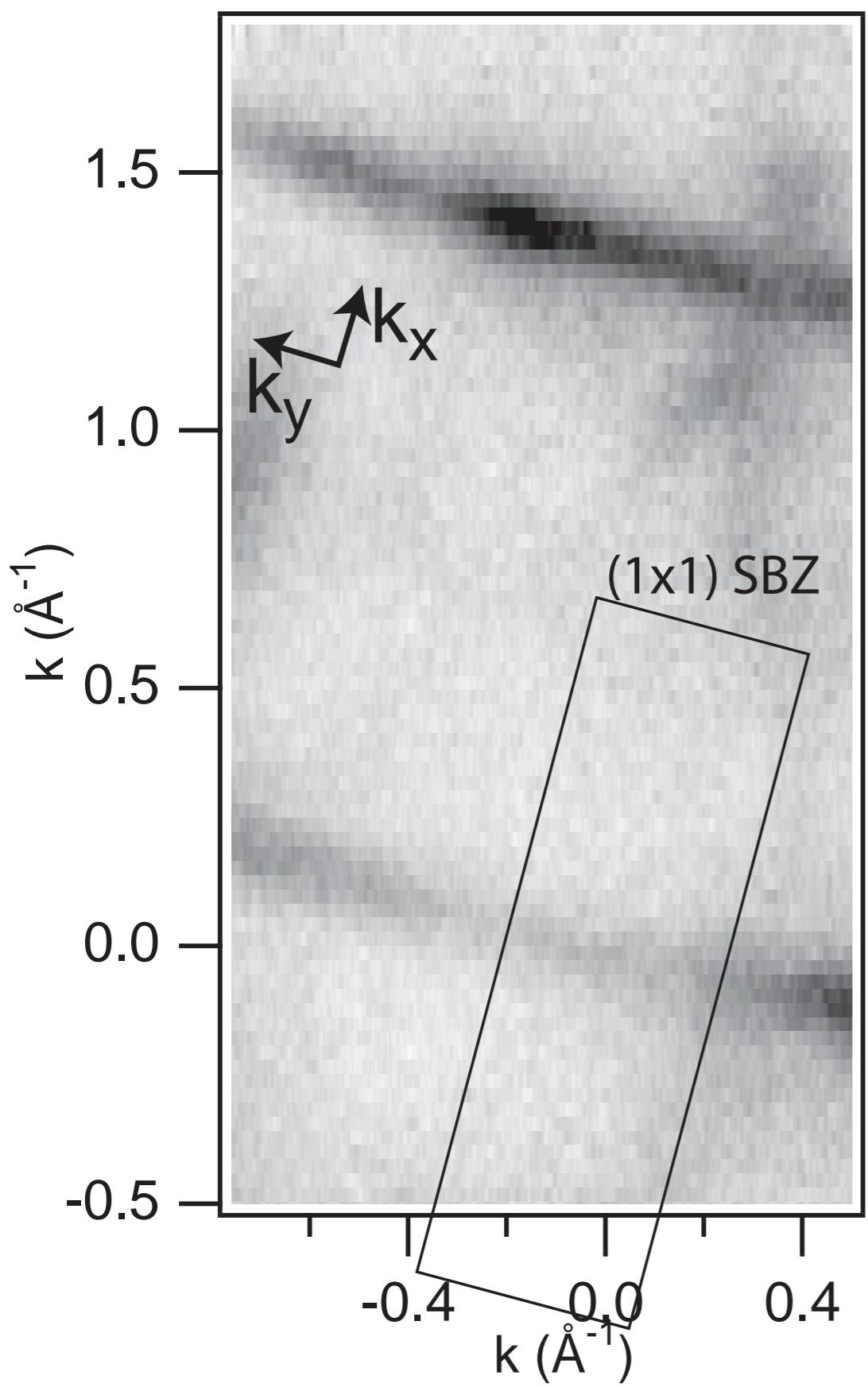
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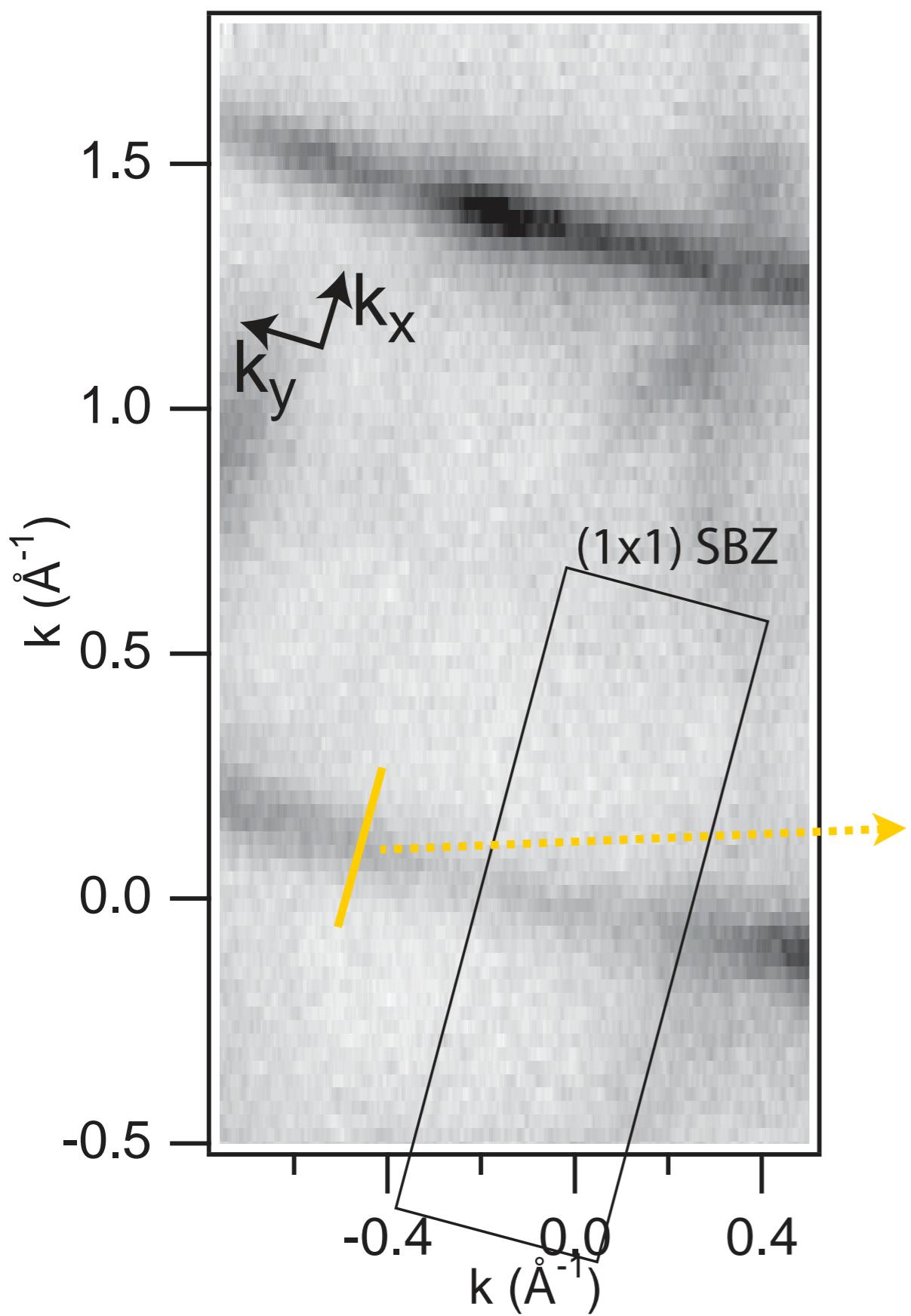
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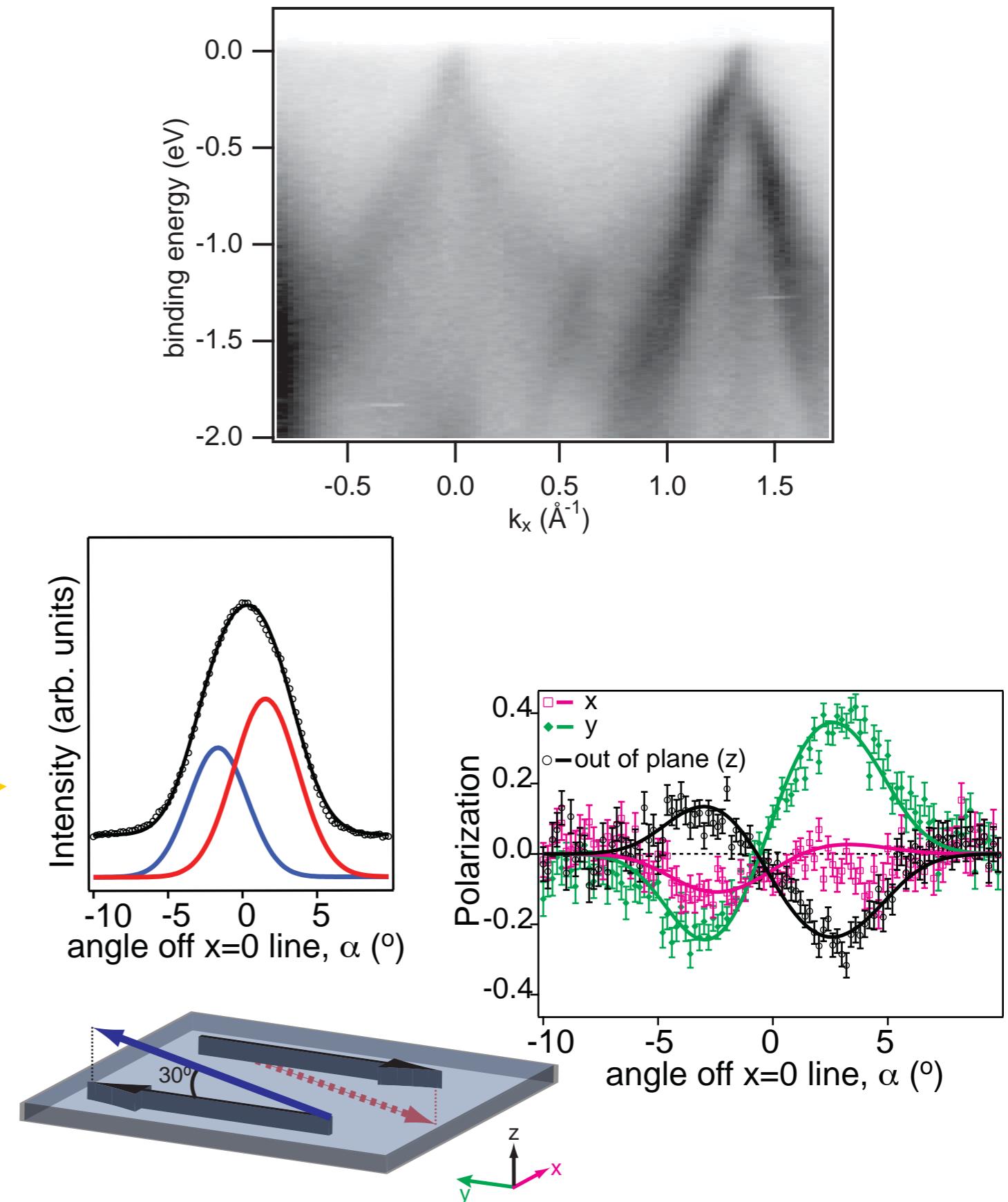
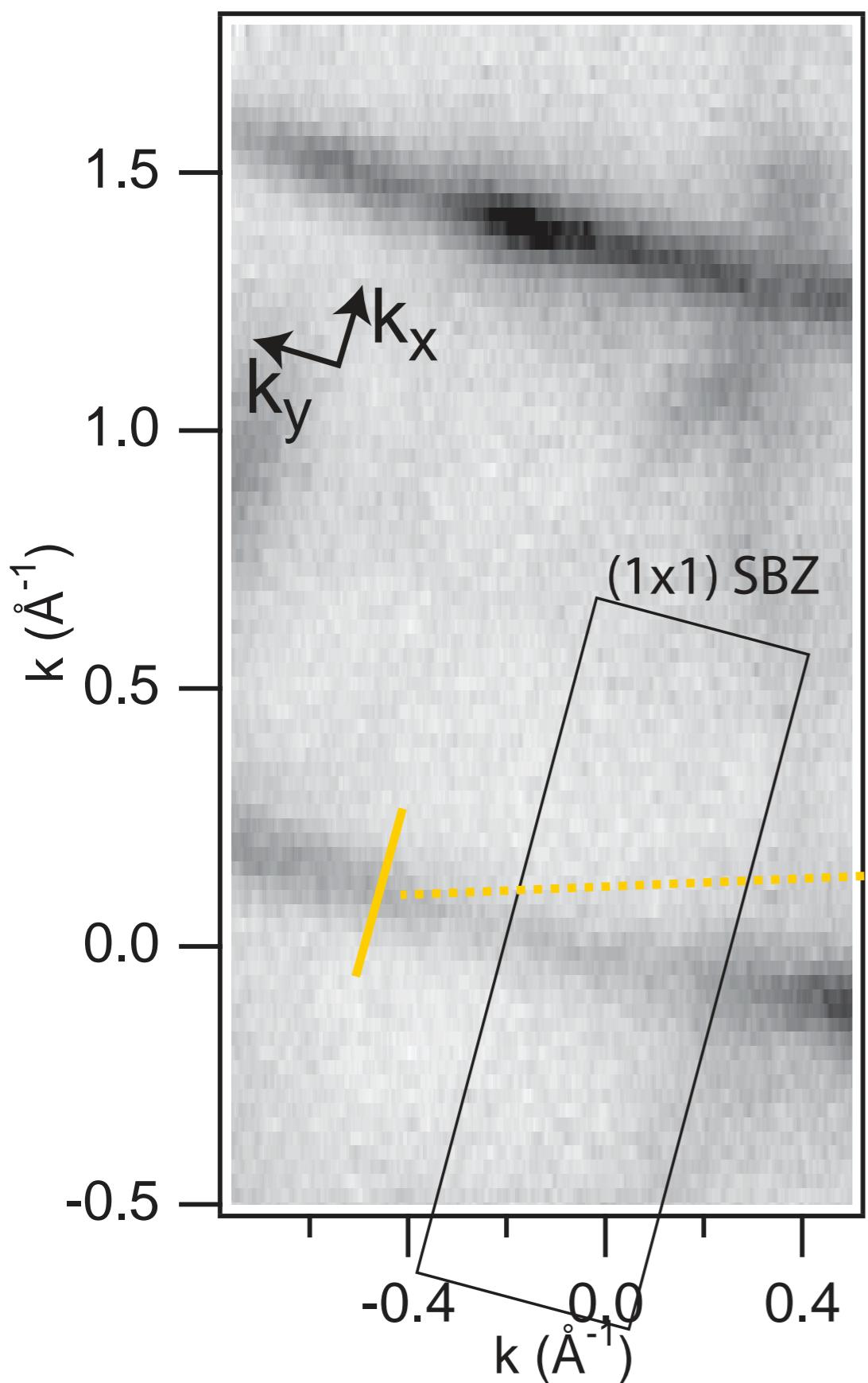
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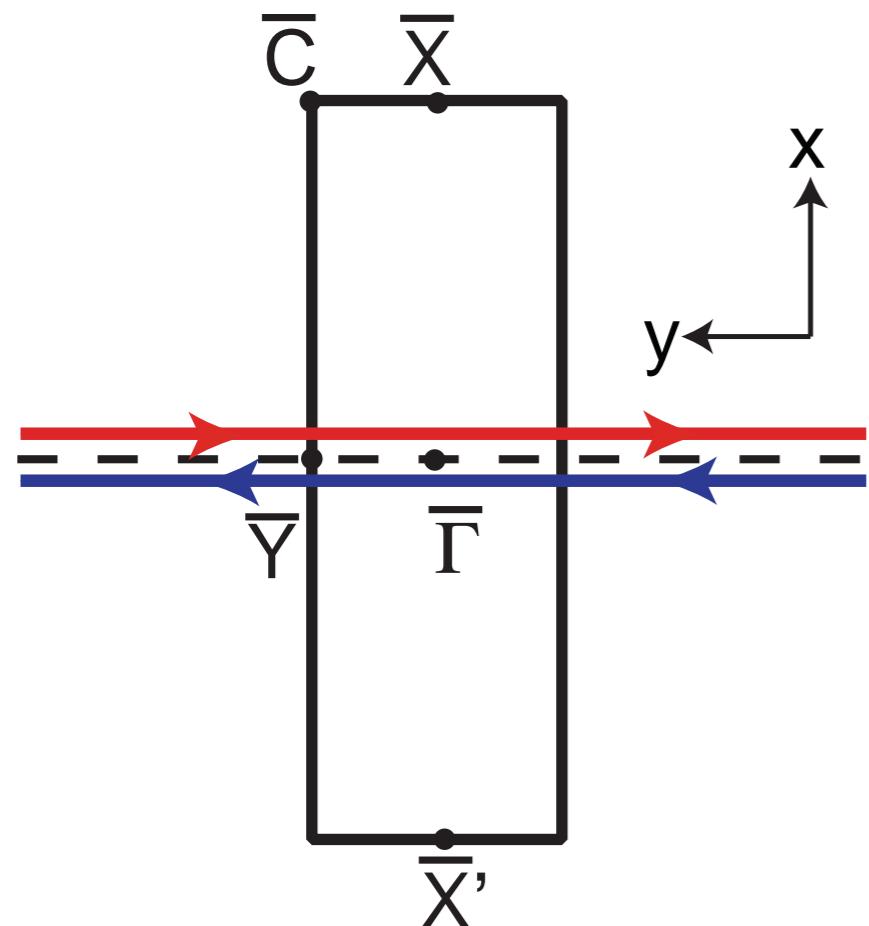
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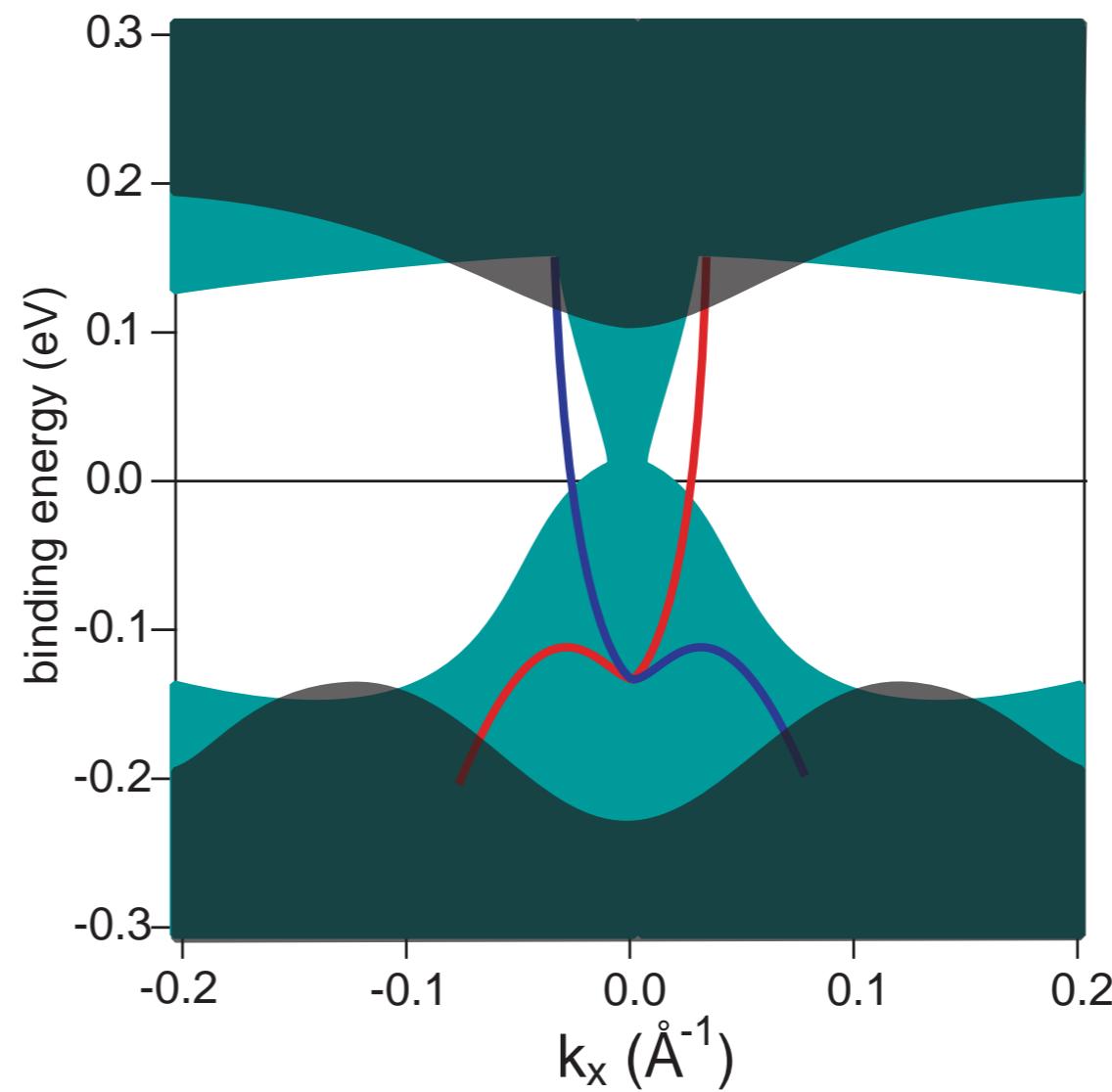
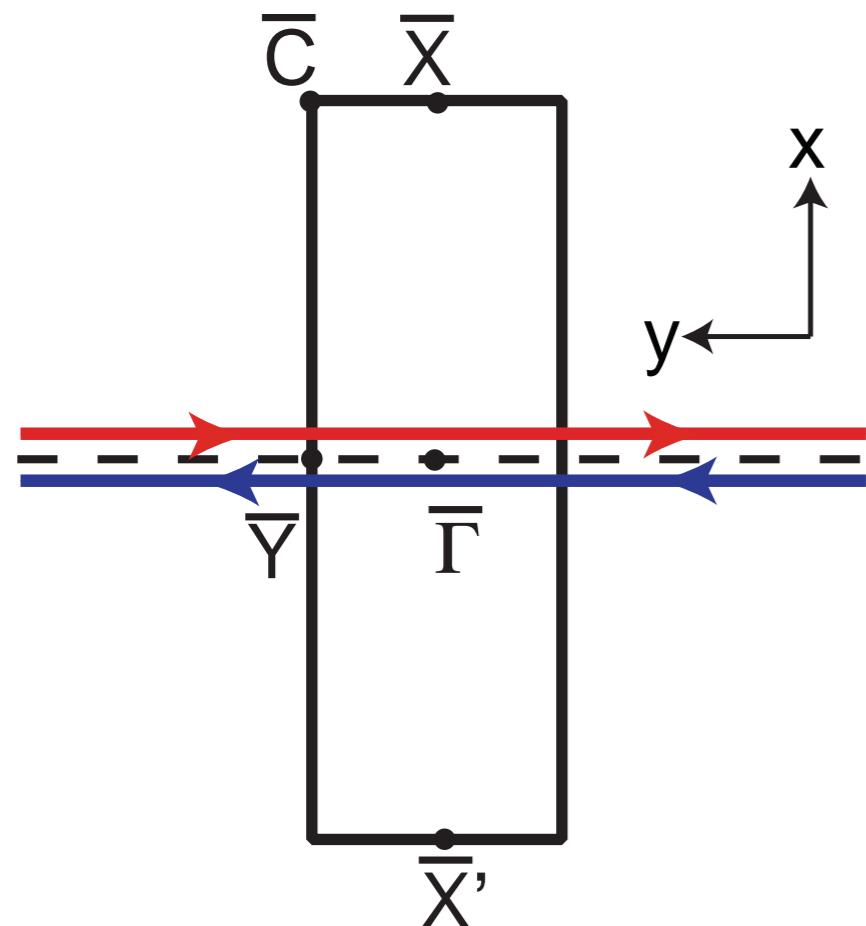
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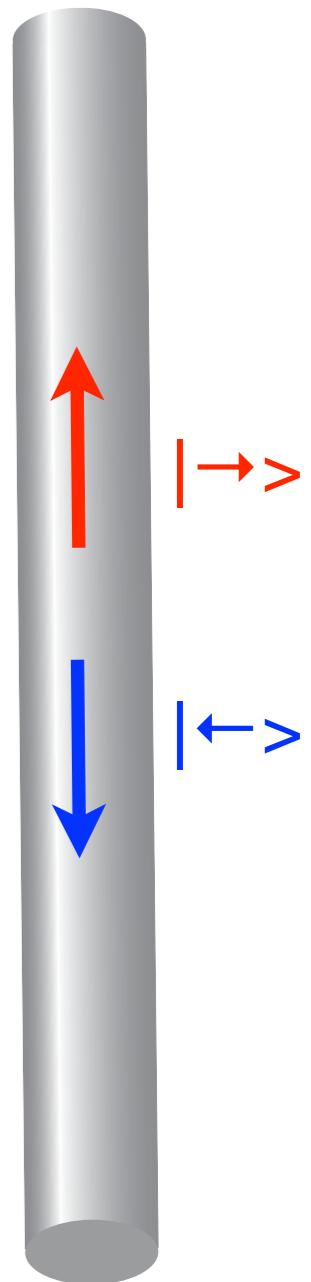
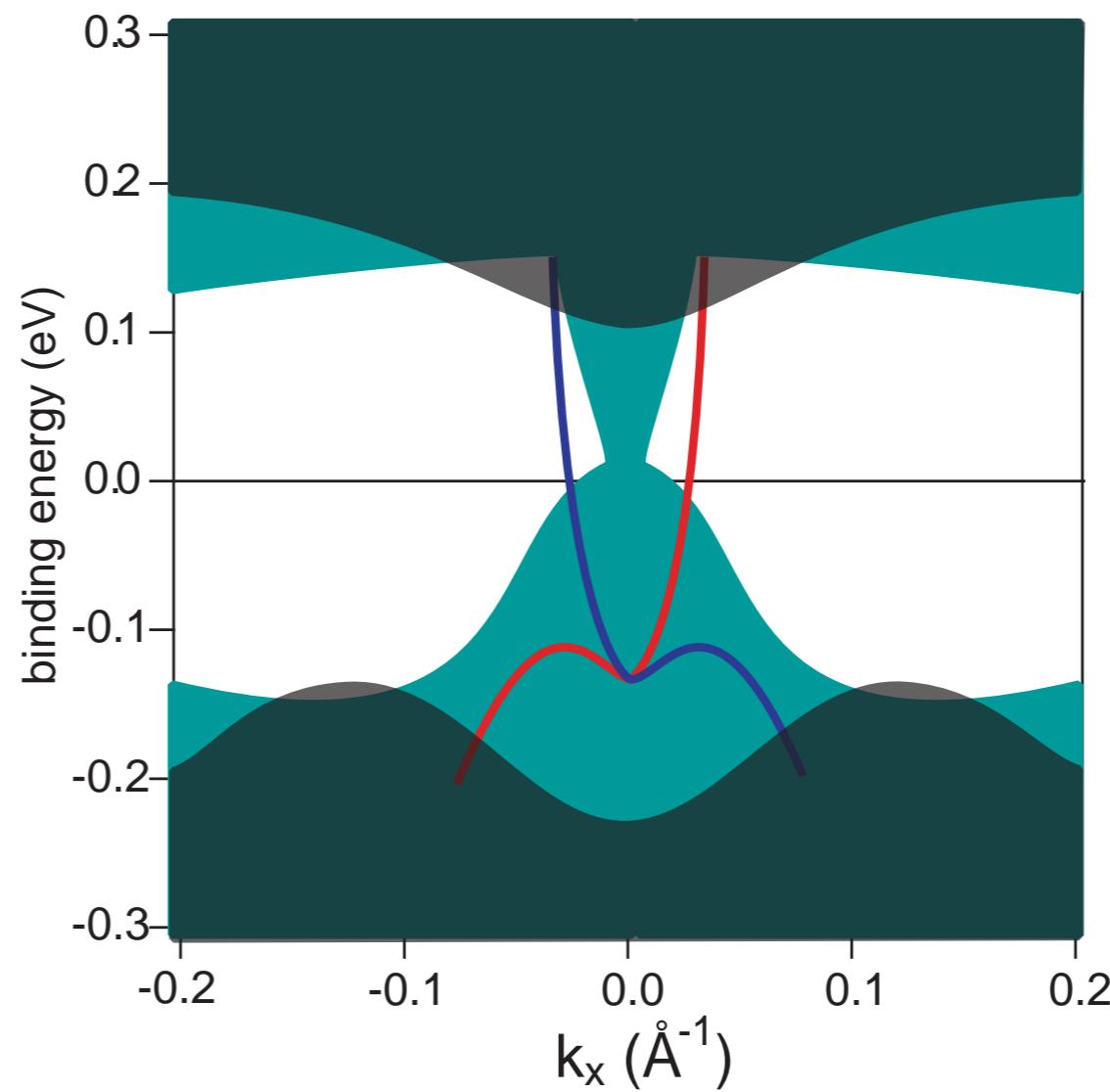
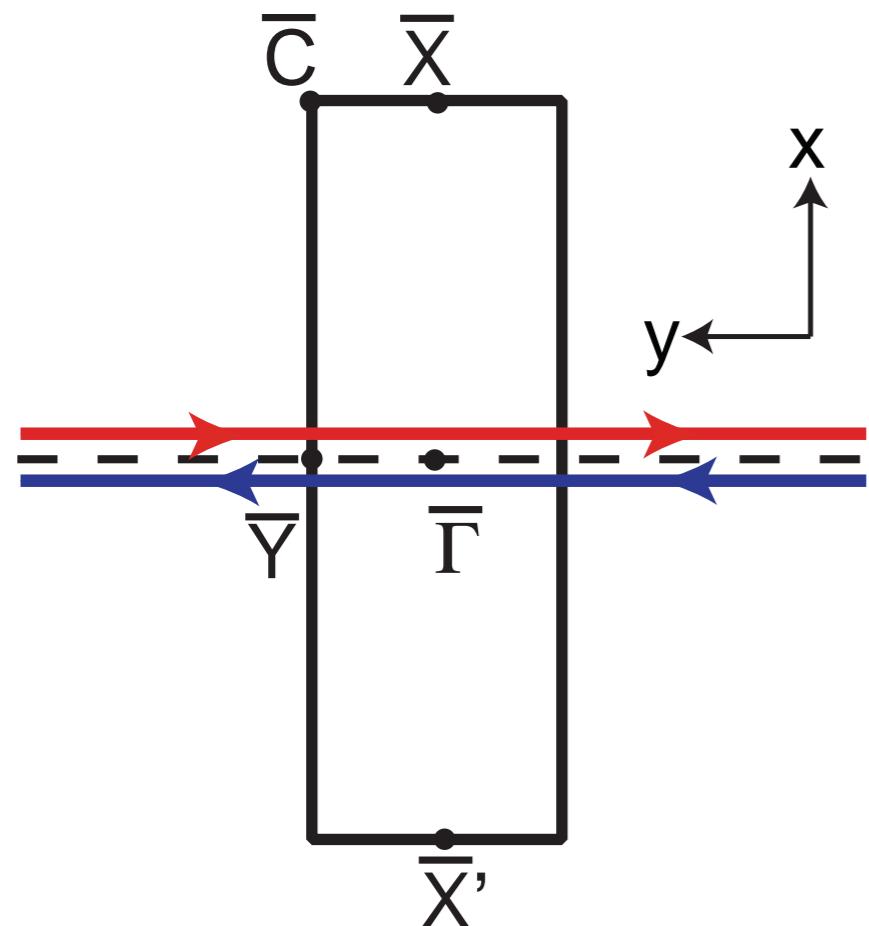
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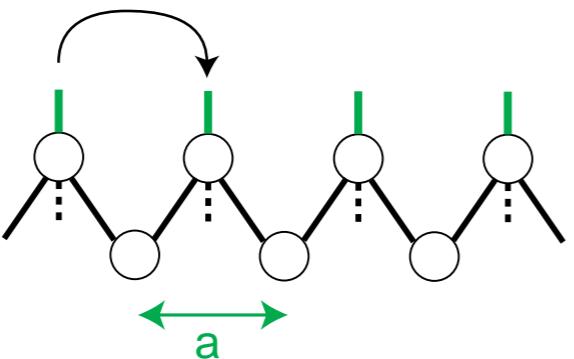
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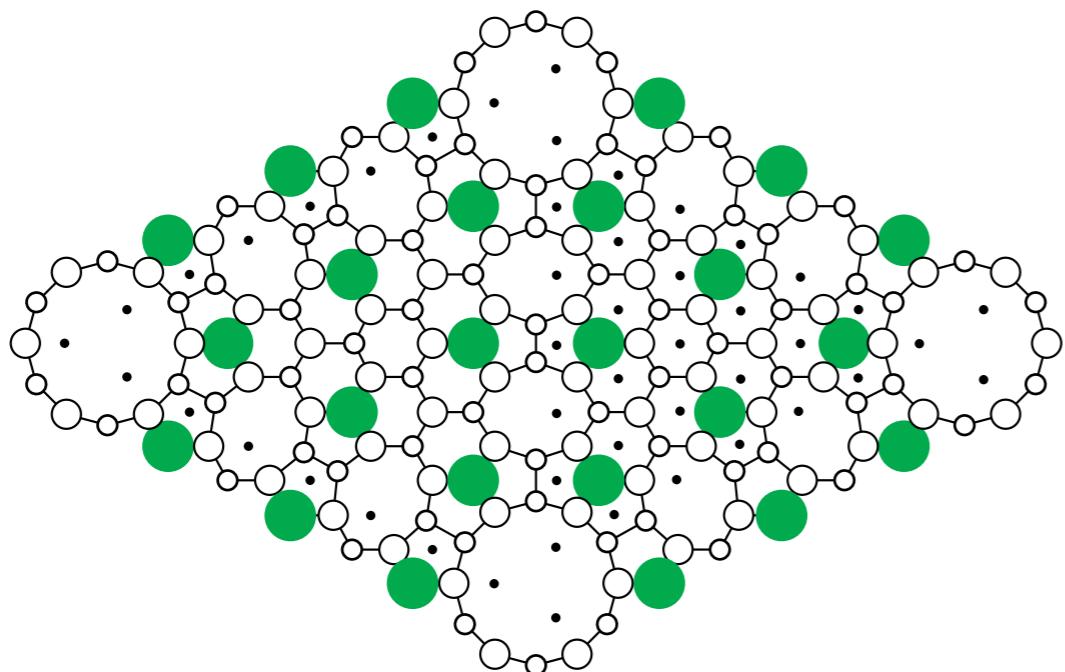
some conclusions

- The surfaces of Bi are good metals, even the (111) surface for which no bonds are broken.
- The reason is the symmetry-loss and the strong spin-orbit splitting.
- The peculiar spin structure leads to unusual standing electron waves and prevents charge density waves.
- In the one-dimensional case there is great similarity to the quantum spin Hall effect.

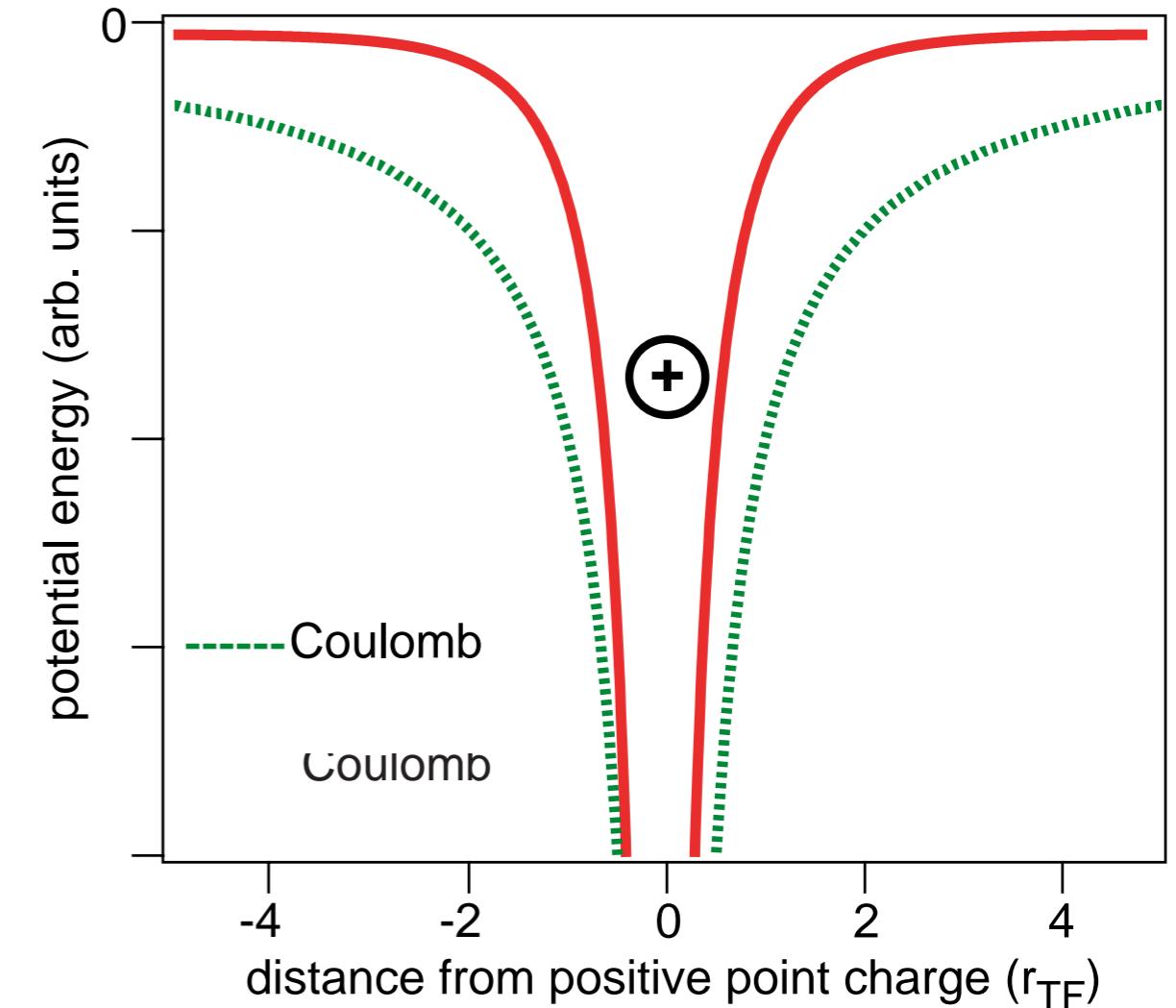
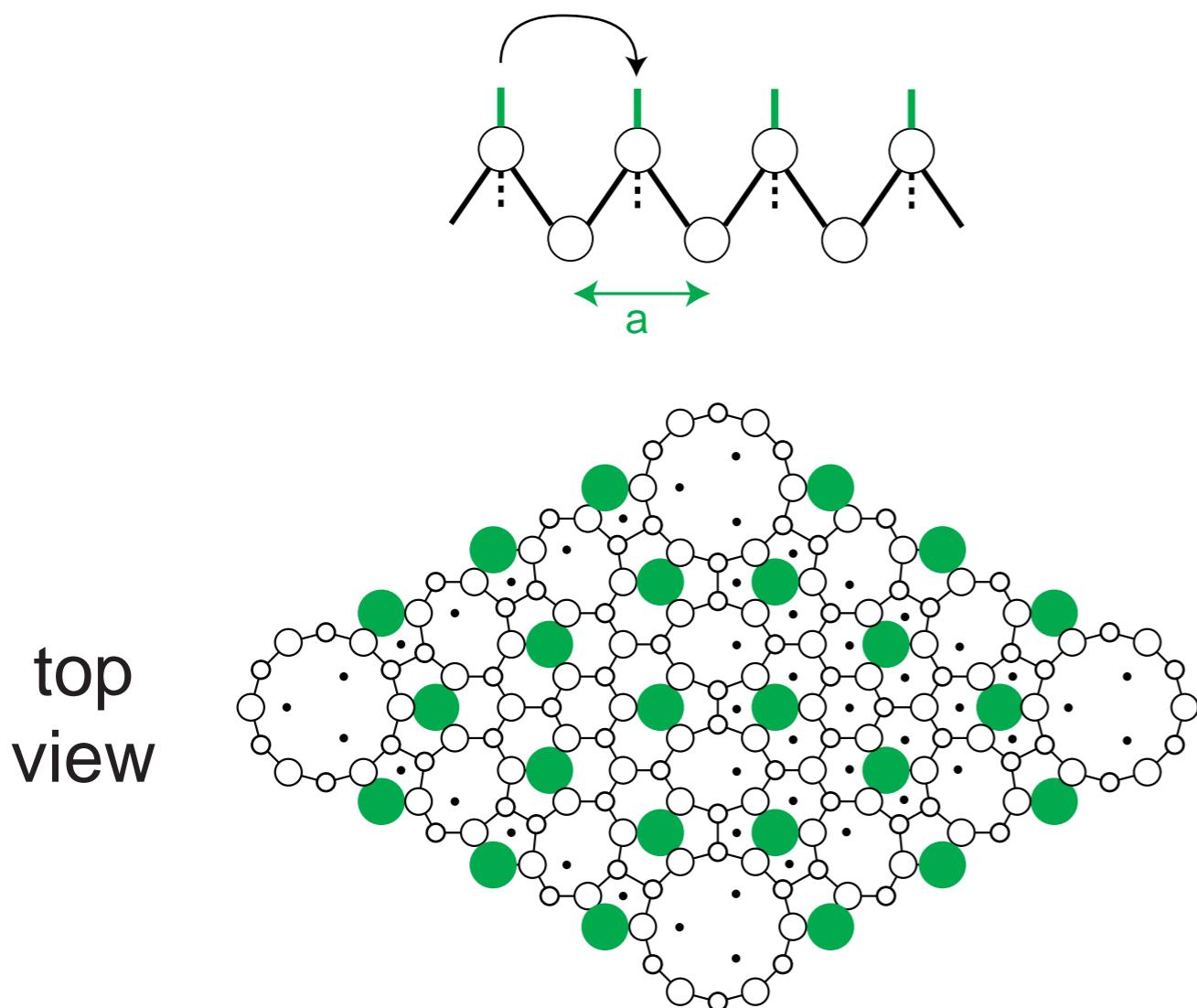
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top
view



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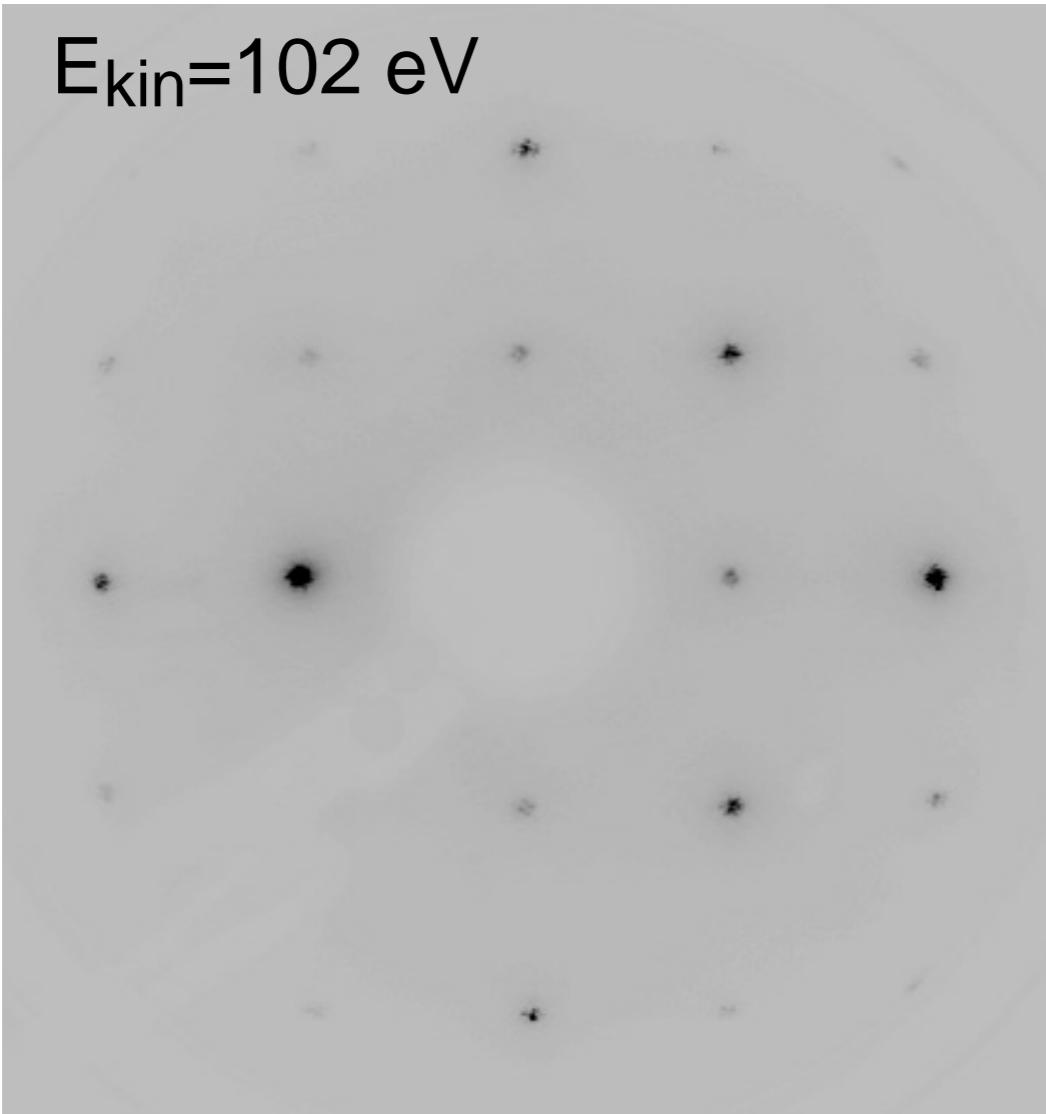
positive point charge in a metal

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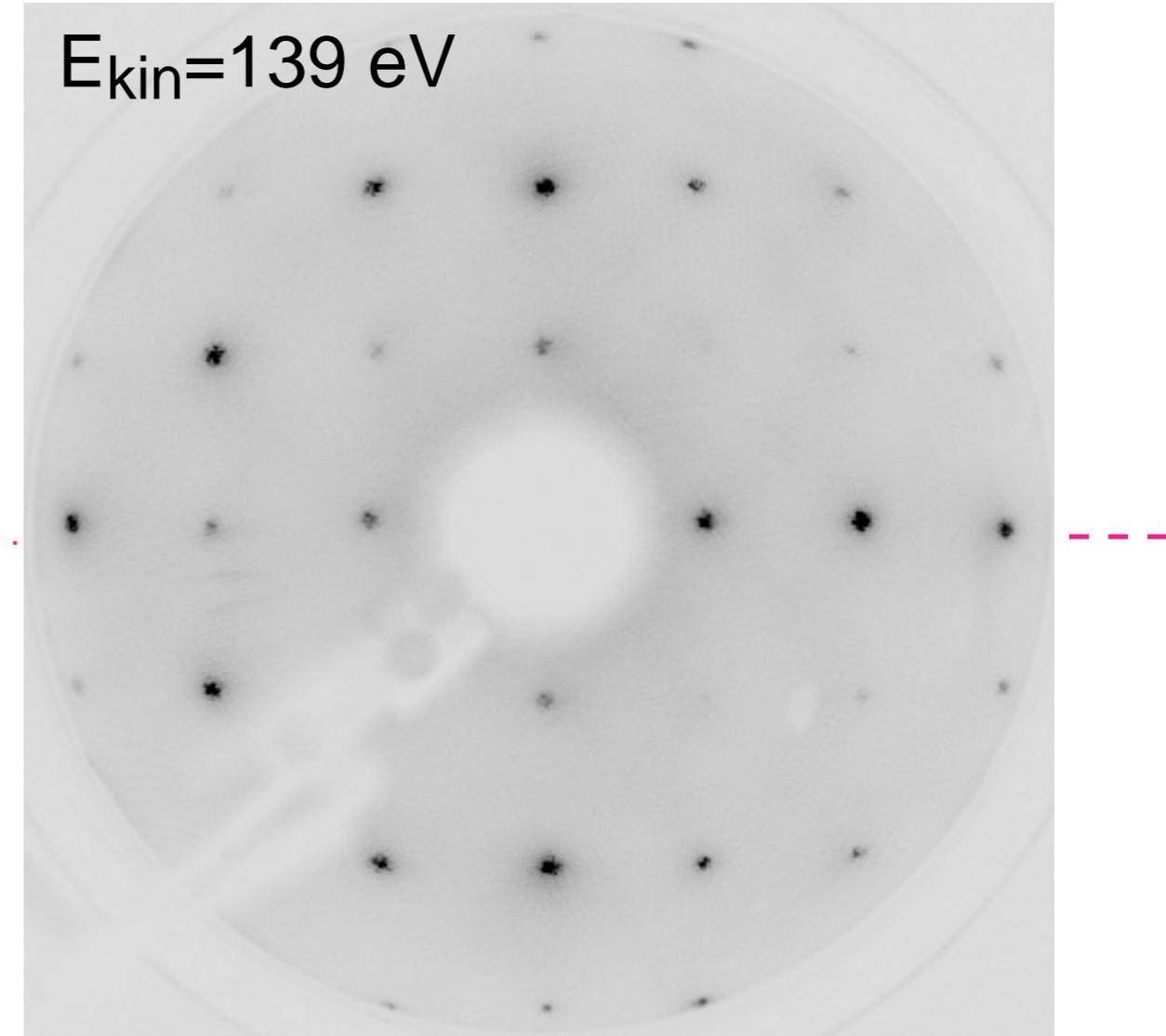
Bi(110): LEED pattern

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mirror
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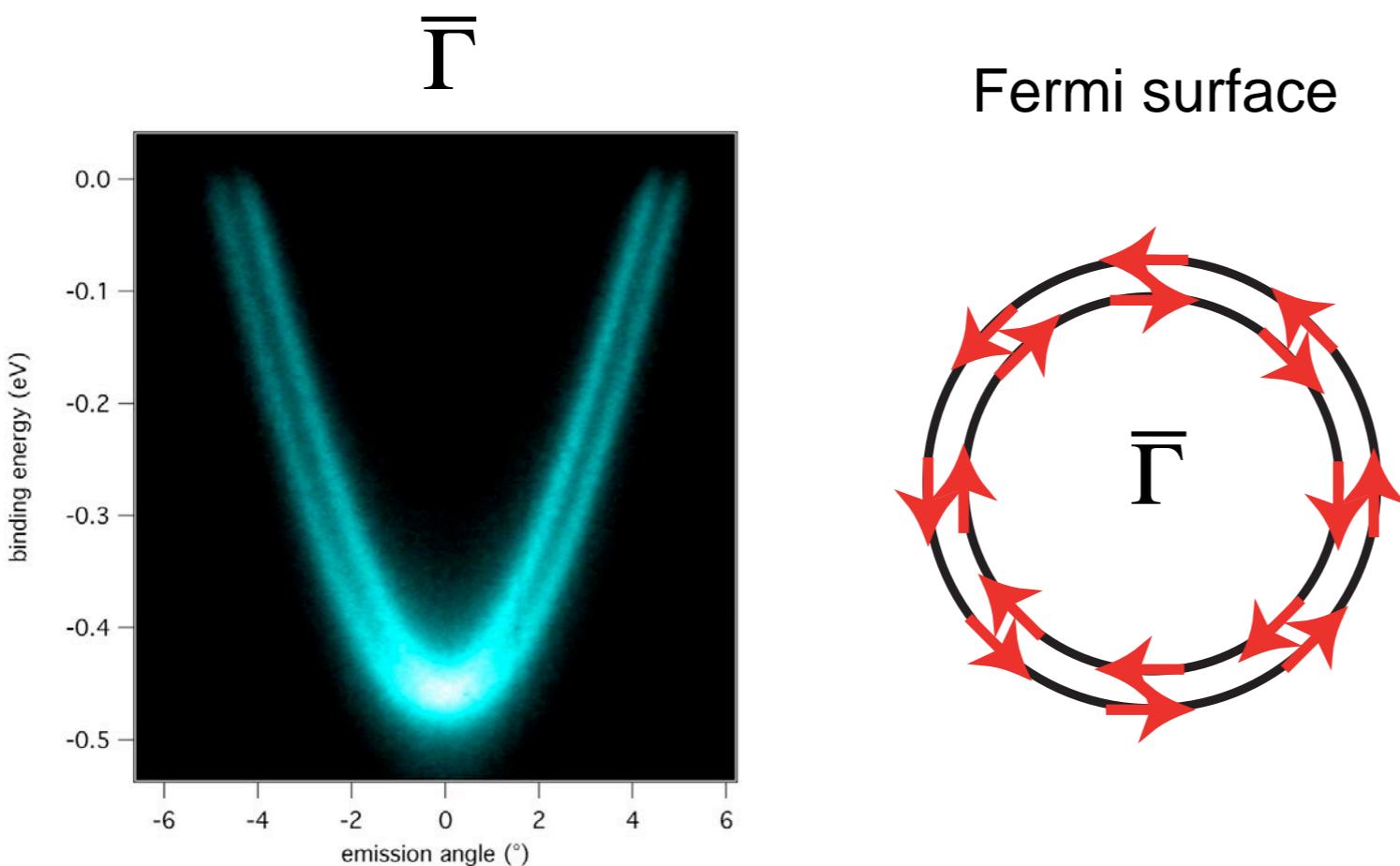


$E_{\text{kin}}=139 \text{ eV}$



- The LEED pattern is (nearly) a square but there is only one mirror line.

Spin-orbit splitting of surface states



S. LaShell, B.A. McDougall and E. Jensen, PRL 77, 3419 (1996)
(actual data from SGM-3 at ASTRID in Aarhus)

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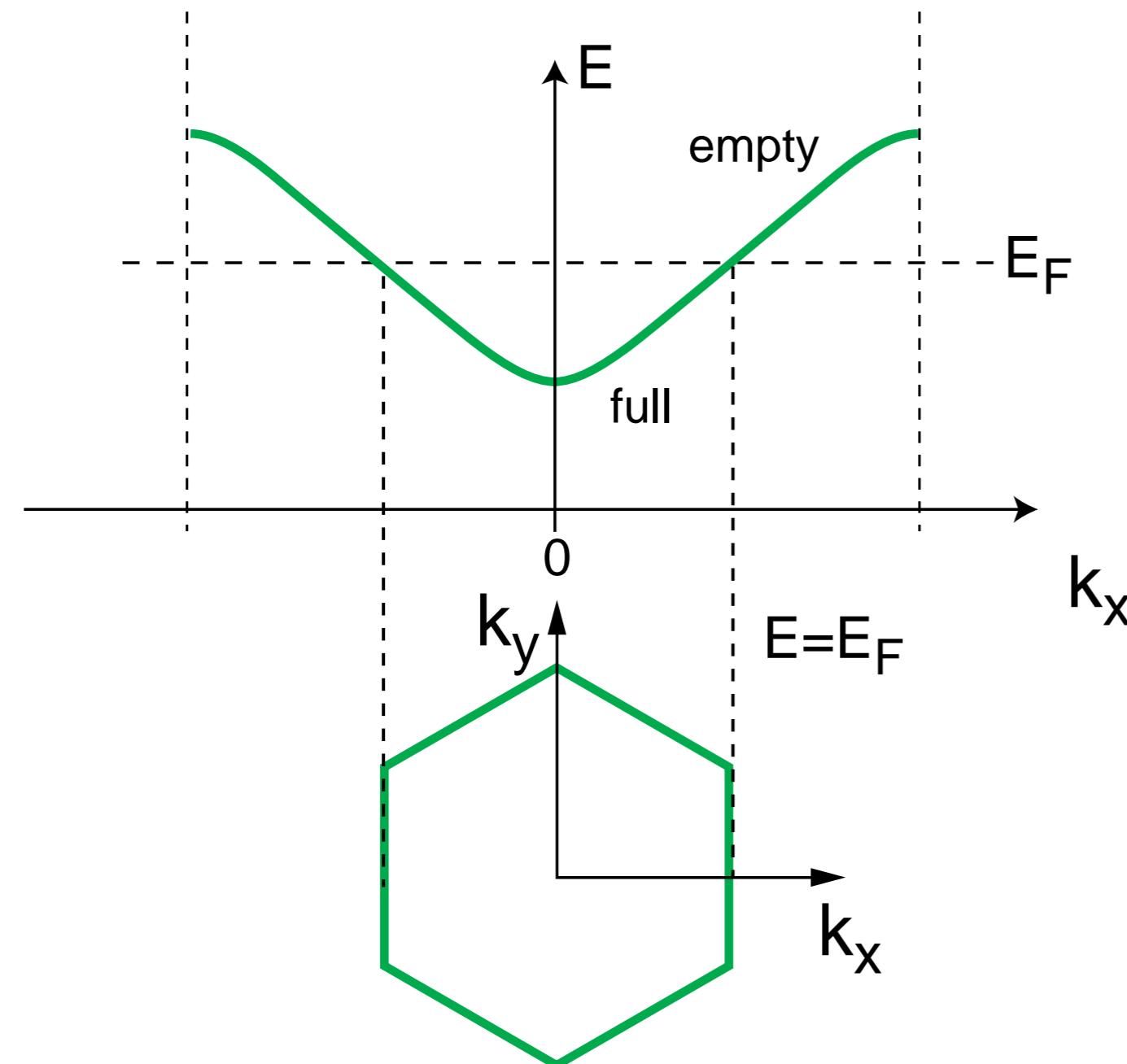
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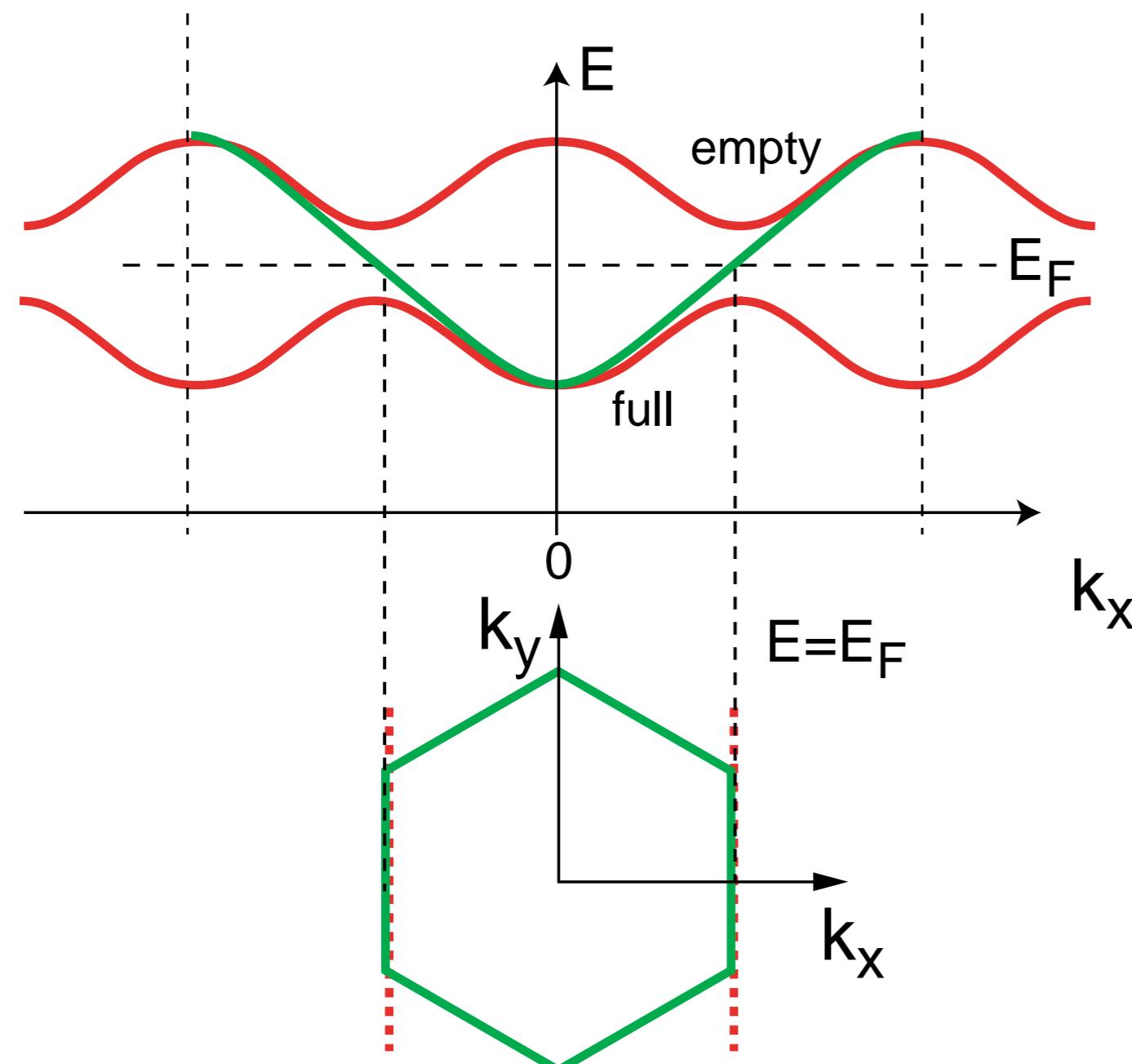
bulk: time reversal plus inversion symmetry: every state two fold degenerate (two spin directions)

surface: time reversal symmetry only: this degeneracy is lifted.

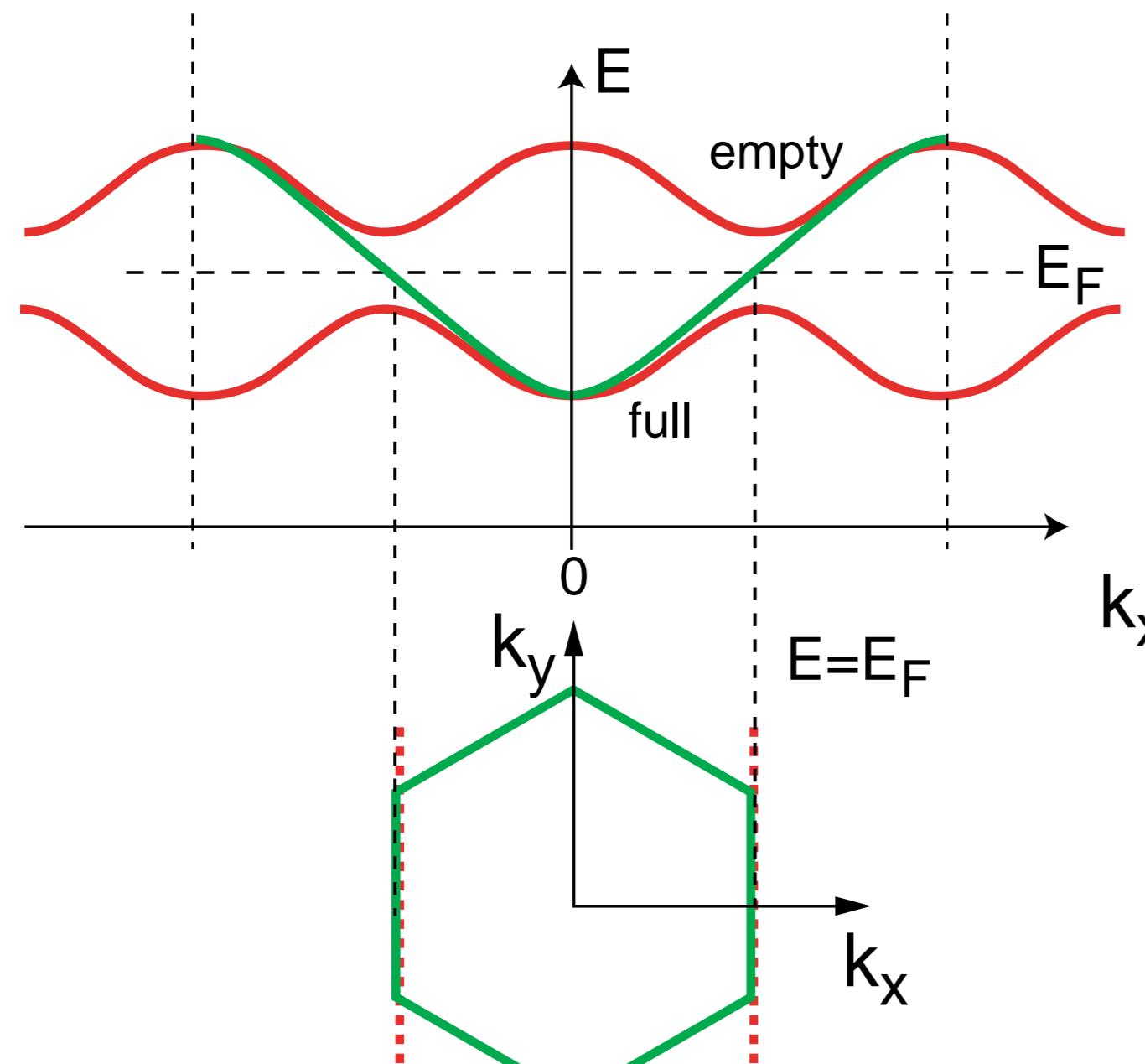
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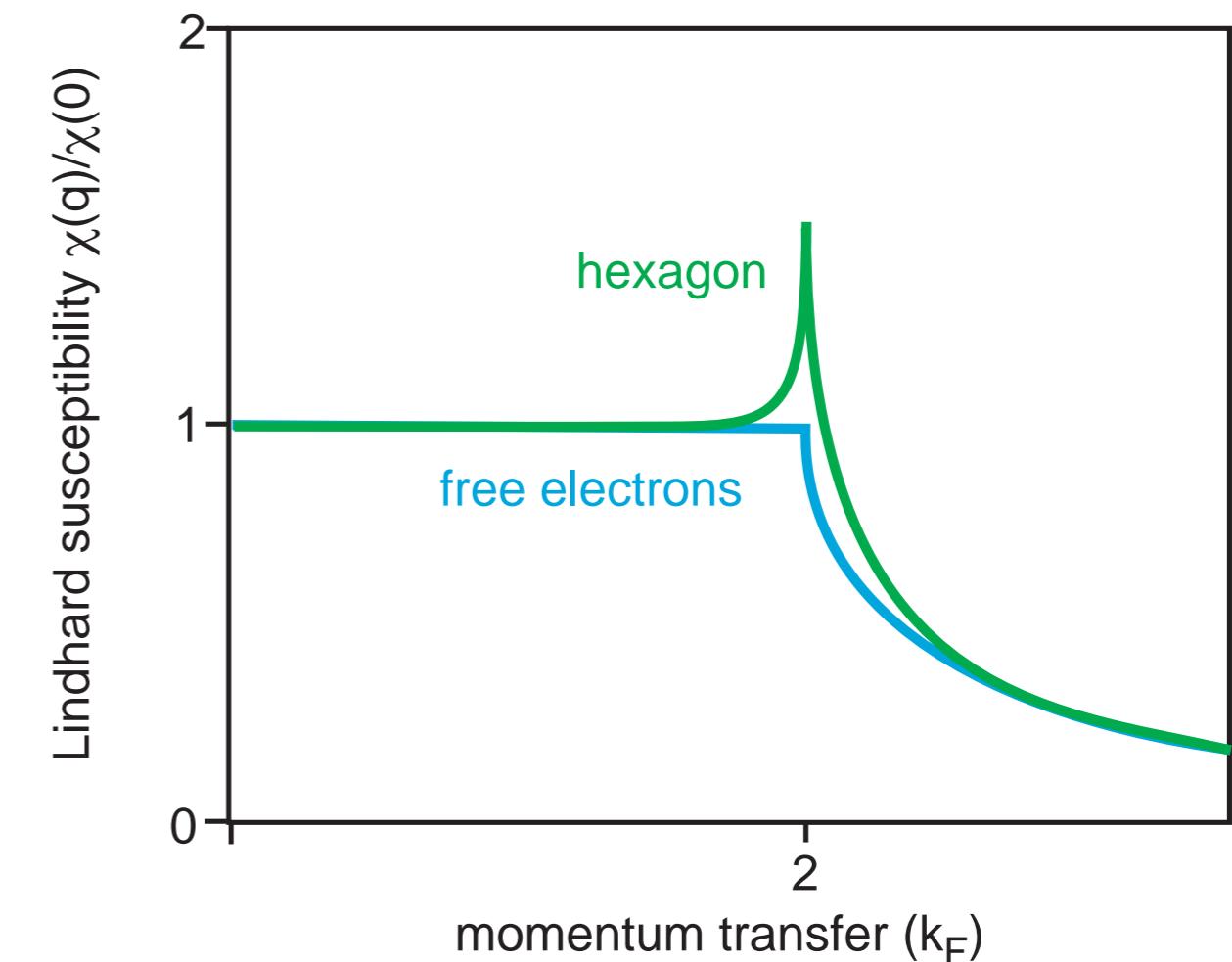


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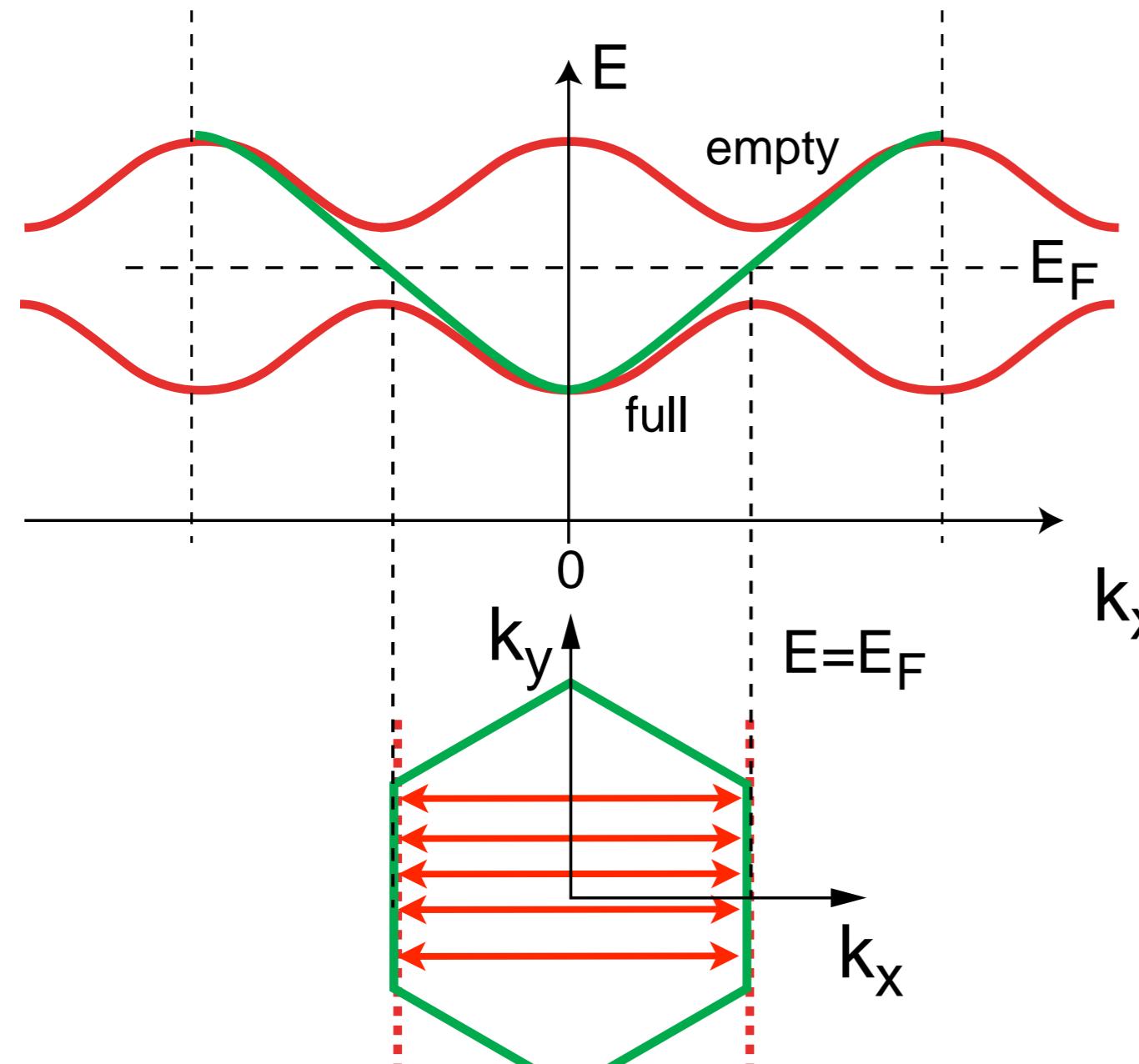


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