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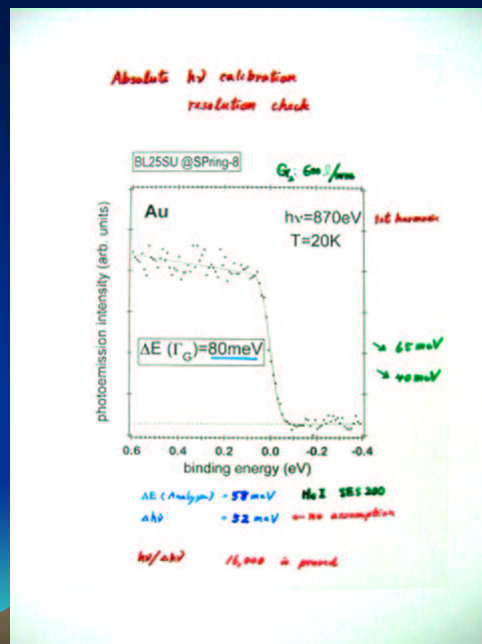
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- A.Sekiyama & S.Imada Osaka Univ. All materials
- Y.Saitoh & T.Muro SPring-8 Beam Line
- S.Uchida Tokyo Univ. Sr_{1-x}Ca_xVO₃
- Y.Ueda ISSP, Tokyo Univ. V₆O₁₃
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Role of High Resolution Photoemission Spectroscopy (PES) in the soft X-ray region

- In many materials with strong electron correlation, bulk and surface electronic structures are different
- For theoretical analyses are required reliable knowledge on genuine bulk and surface electronic structures
- High resolution spectra on high quality samples are required
- By use of the state-of-the-art soft X-ray PES technique, such studies are now feasible



an example at BL25SU of SPring-8, Japan

$h\nu / \Delta h\nu > 20,000$ near 870eV with use of 1,000/mm grating

total resolution with $\Delta E_{\kappa} < 80\text{--}100$ meV is conventionally achieved near 1 keV

On high quality sample surfaces, much more bulk sensitive results can be obtained

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Sr_{1-x}Ca_xVO₃

- 3d¹ metallic system
- remains paramagnetic down to 50mK
- Fermi liquid behavior
- simplest strongly correlated TM oxides
- band width *W* may change through this system by V-O-V bond angle change
- 180° in SrVO₃ and 160° in CaVO₃
- ideal system for PES study
- effective mass shows a moderate increase
- electron specific heat γ 6.4 & 7.3mJ/K²mol

transition metal perovskites
→ high T_c cuprate

SrVO₃

○Sr ●V ○O

Oh

V-O-V
180°

CaVO₃

○Ca ●V ○O

V-O-V
~160°

HPES studies of perovskites are very important

3d electronic states are thought to be more itinerant in SrVO₃ than CaVO₃ due to the bond angle effect (or buckling effect)

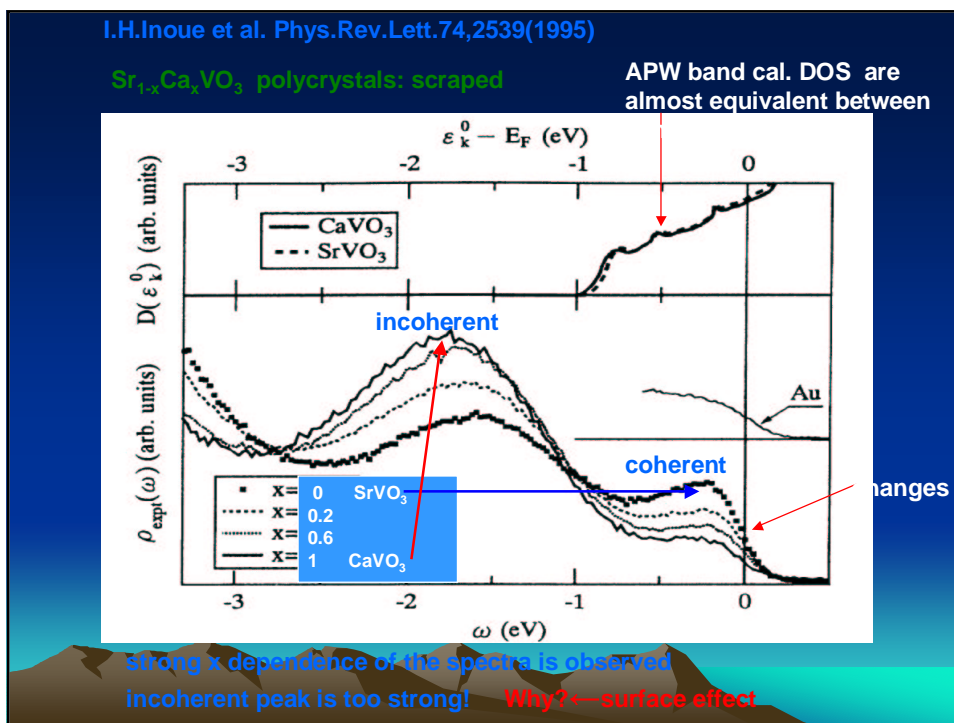
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Systematic Development of the Spectral Function in the 3d¹ Mott-Hubbard System Ca_{1-x}Sr_xVO₃

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We present an experimental manifestation of how the single-particle density of states around the Fermi level (E_F) changes near a Mott transition. In a metallic perovskite-type 3d¹ Mott-Hubbard system Ca_{1-x}Sr_xVO₃, as one decreases x the spectral weight of the coherent band near E_F is gradually transferred to that of the precursor of the lower Hubbard band ~2 eV below E_F . The momentum dependence of the quasiparticle self-energy and hence the long-range exchange or correlation is shown to become progressively important as one approaches the Mott transition from the metallic side.



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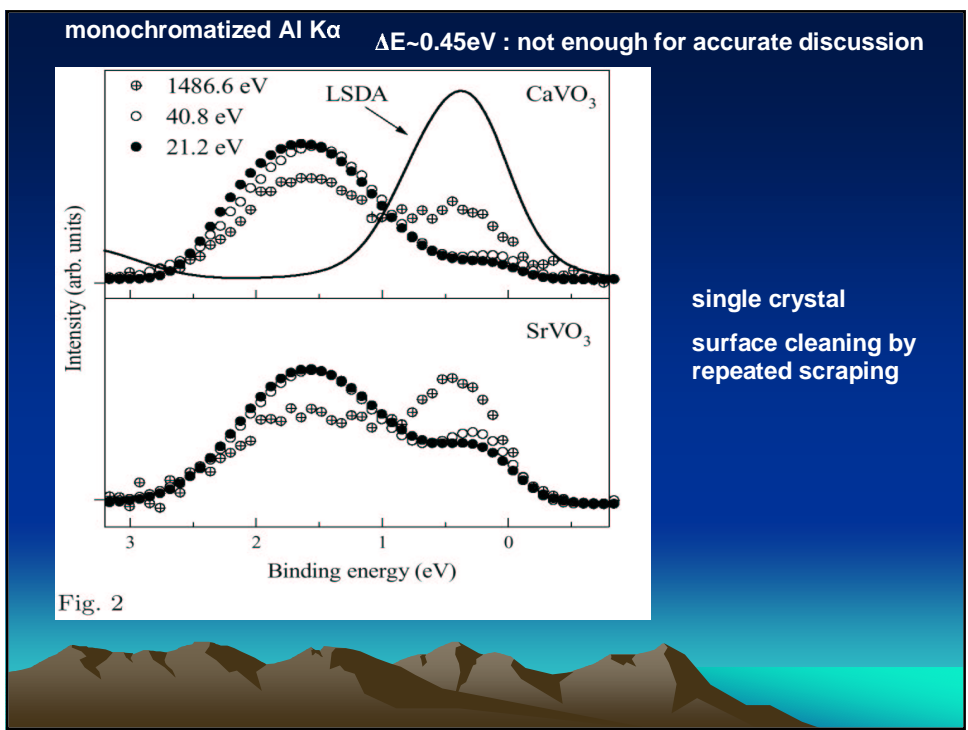
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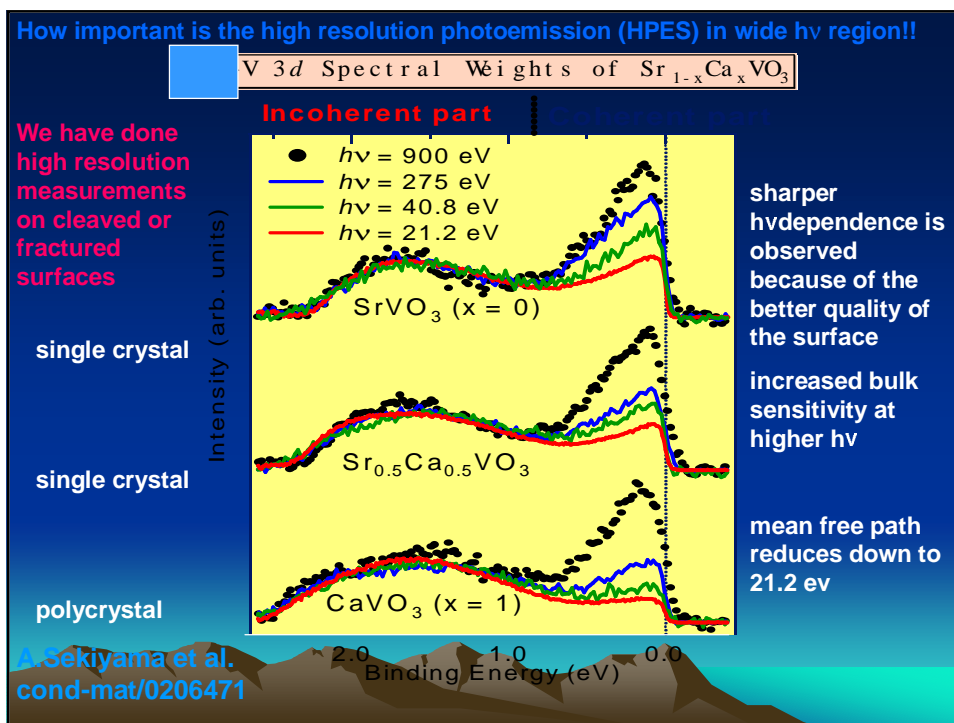
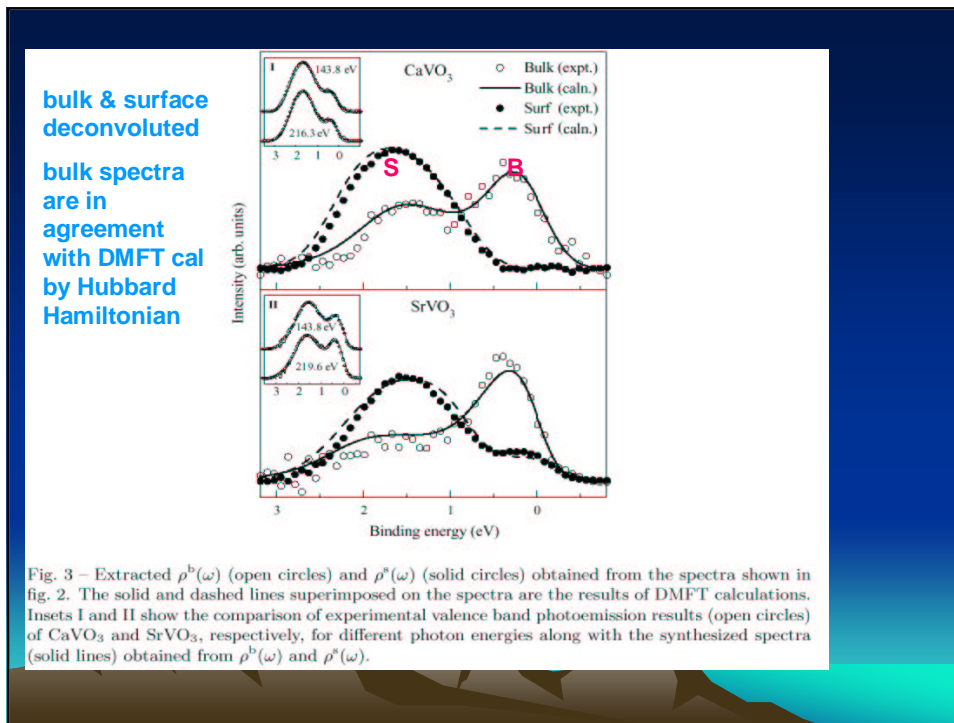
Electronic structure of Ca_{1-x}Sr_xVO₃: A tale of two energy scales

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Abstract. – We investigate the electronic structure of Ca_{1-x}Sr_xVO₃ using photoemission spectroscopy. Core level spectra establish an electronic phase separation at the surface, leading to a distinctly different surface electronic structure compared to the bulk. Analysis of the photoemission spectra of this system allowed us to separate the surface and bulk contributions. These results help us to understand properties related to two vastly differing energy scales, namely the low-energy scale of thermal excitations ($\sim k_B T$) and the high-energy scale related to Coulomb and other electronic interactions.

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Deconvolution to BULK and Surface V 3d PES spectra

Obtained V 3d PES spectra $\rho(h\nu=900\text{eV})$ and $\rho(h\nu=275\text{eV})$ are assumed to be linear combination of the bulk and surface spectra as

$$\rho(h\nu) = e^{-a/\lambda} \rho_B + (1 - e^{-a/\lambda}) \rho_S$$

where

ρ_B : Bulk PES spectra. ρ_S : Surface PES spectra

a : "Mean surface thickness"

λ : Photoelectron Mean Free Path


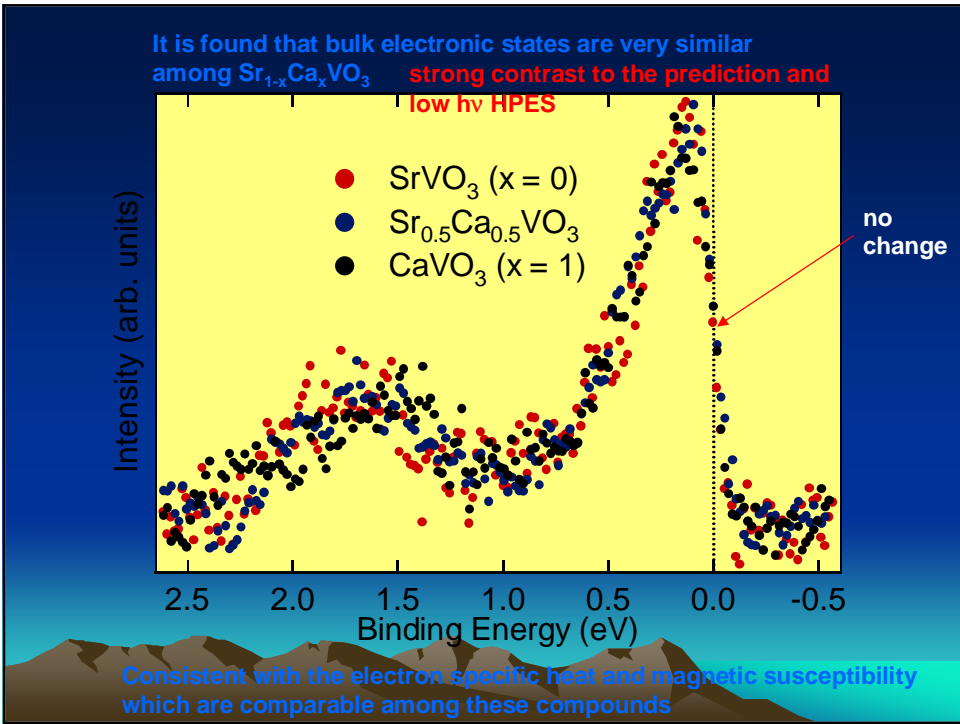
$\lambda \sim 17 \text{ \AA}$ at $h\nu = 900 \text{ eV}$

$\lambda \sim 7 \text{ \AA}$ at $h\nu = 275 \text{ eV}$

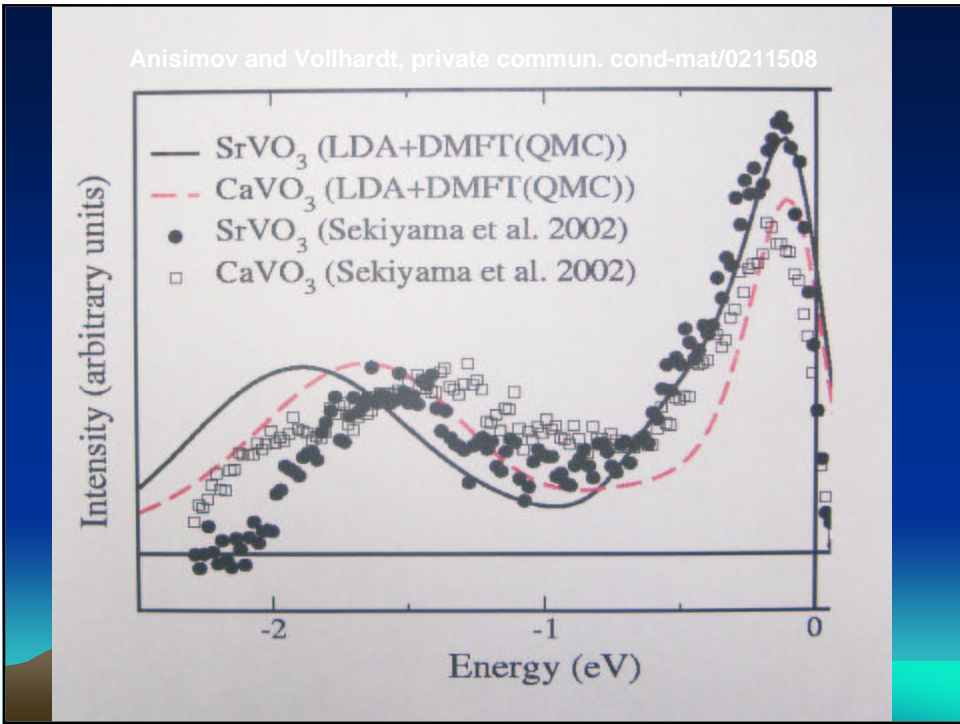
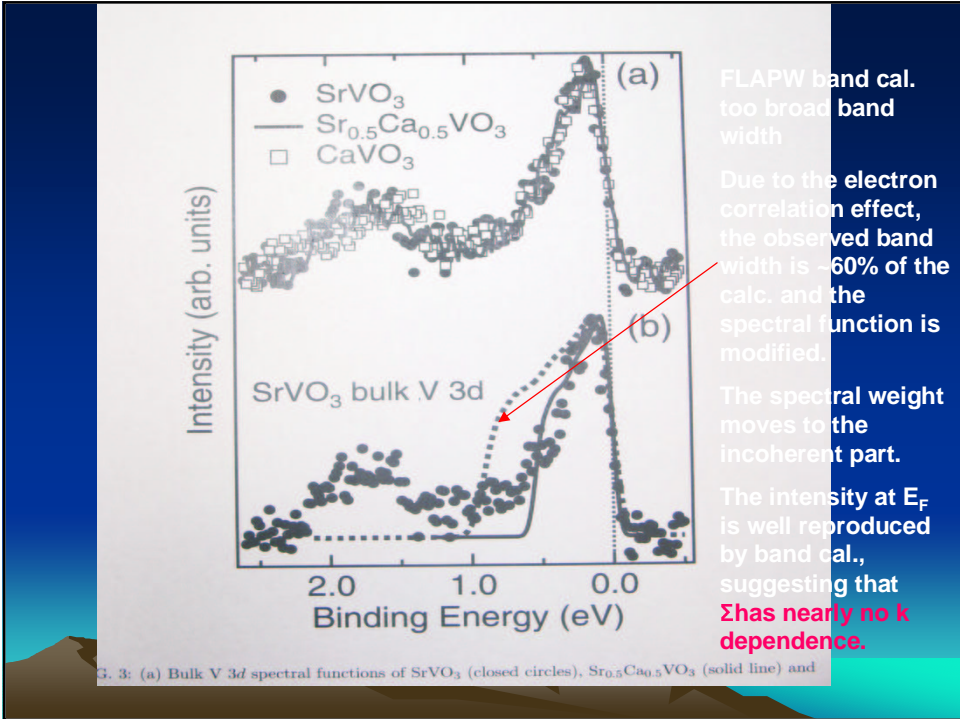
[Tanuma et al., Surf. Sci. **192**, L849 (1987.)]

a was set to $5\text{--}7.5 \text{ \AA}$ (cf. V-O-V distance $\sim 3.8 \text{ \AA}$)

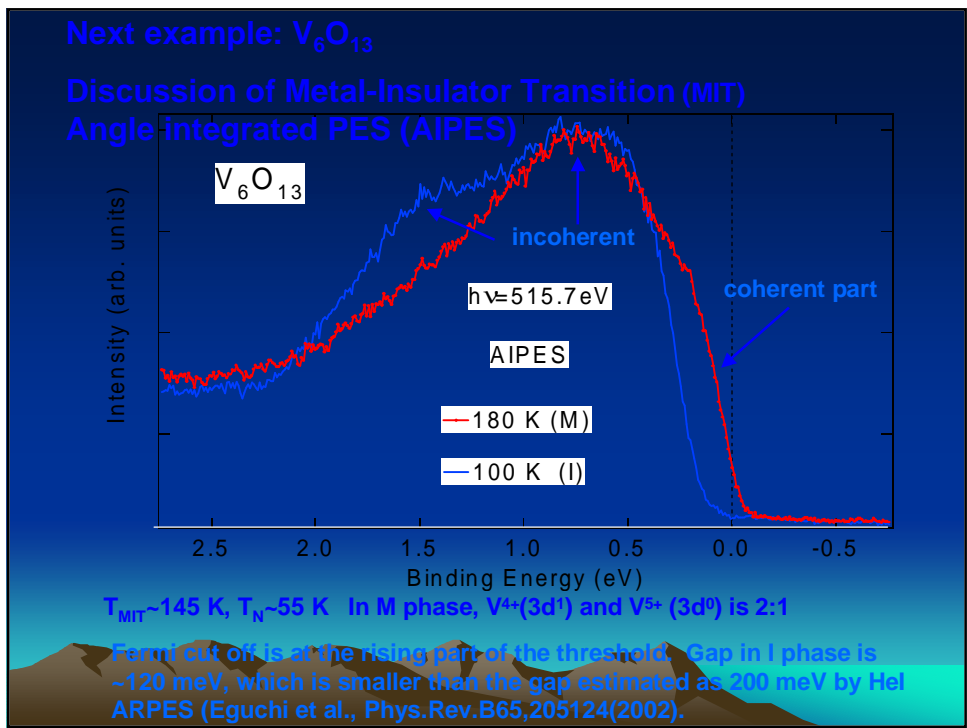
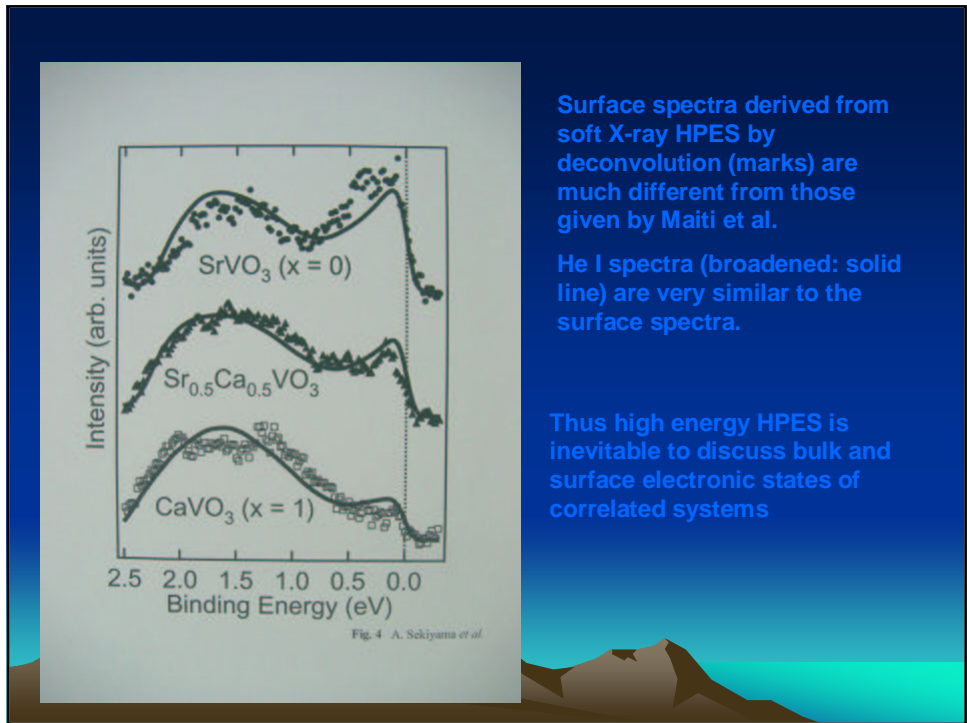
Bulk Contribution		
$h\nu$ (eV)	275	900
	35–50 %	65–75 %

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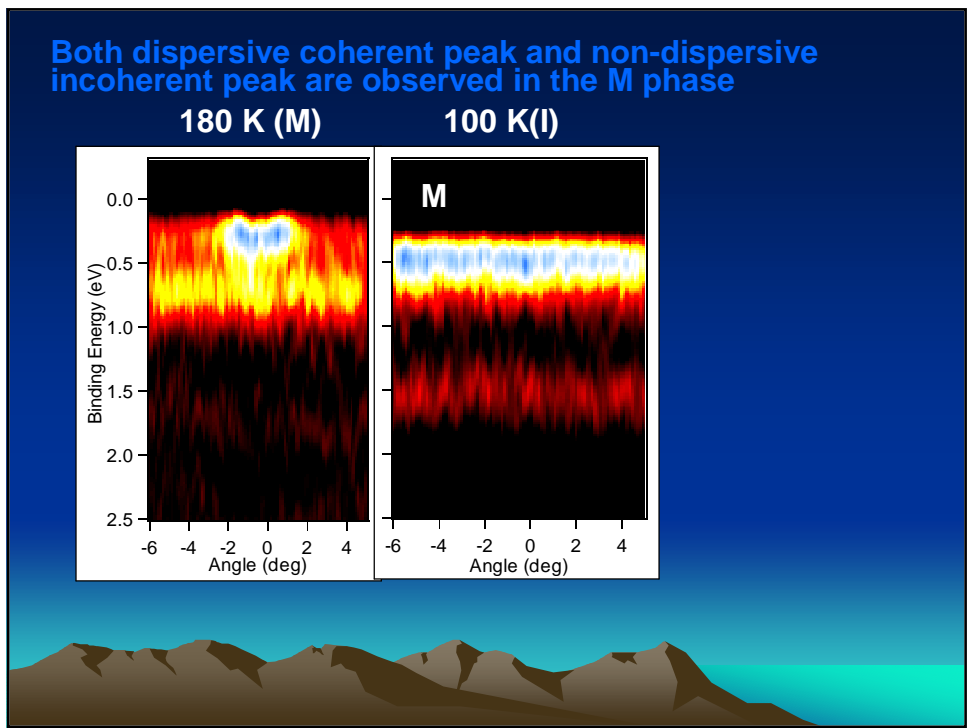


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Condition for high energy ARPES
high resolution in energy & θ ($\Delta\theta < \pm 0.2^\circ$)
photon wave vector $q = 2\pi/\lambda$
 $h\nu = 1,000\text{eV} \cdot \lambda \cdot 12\text{\AA} \cdot q = 0.52\text{\AA}^{-1}$
 $q_\parallel = 0.37\text{\AA}^{-1}$ for $\theta = 45^\circ$ incidence
 $k_B = \pi/a = 0.63(1.05)\text{\AA}^{-1}$ for $a = 5(3)\text{\AA}$
 $q_\parallel \cdot 30(18)\%$ of $2k_B$
photoelectron
 $k_\parallel = 0.51(\text{\AA}^{-1})(E_K(\text{eV}))^{1/2} \sin\theta$
 $E_K = 1,000\text{eV} \cdot k_\parallel = 16.1 \sin\theta$
 $q_\parallel = 0.37\text{\AA}^{-1} \cdot \sin\theta = 0.37/16.1 = 0.023$
 $\theta = 1.3^\circ$ ($k_\parallel = 0$ electron emission offset)
 $2k_B (1.26\text{\AA}^{-1}) \leftrightarrow 4.4^\circ$
angular resolution
 $\Delta\theta = 0.2^\circ \cdot \Delta k_\parallel = 0.056(\text{\AA}^{-1}) \cdot 0.045 \cdot 2k_B$

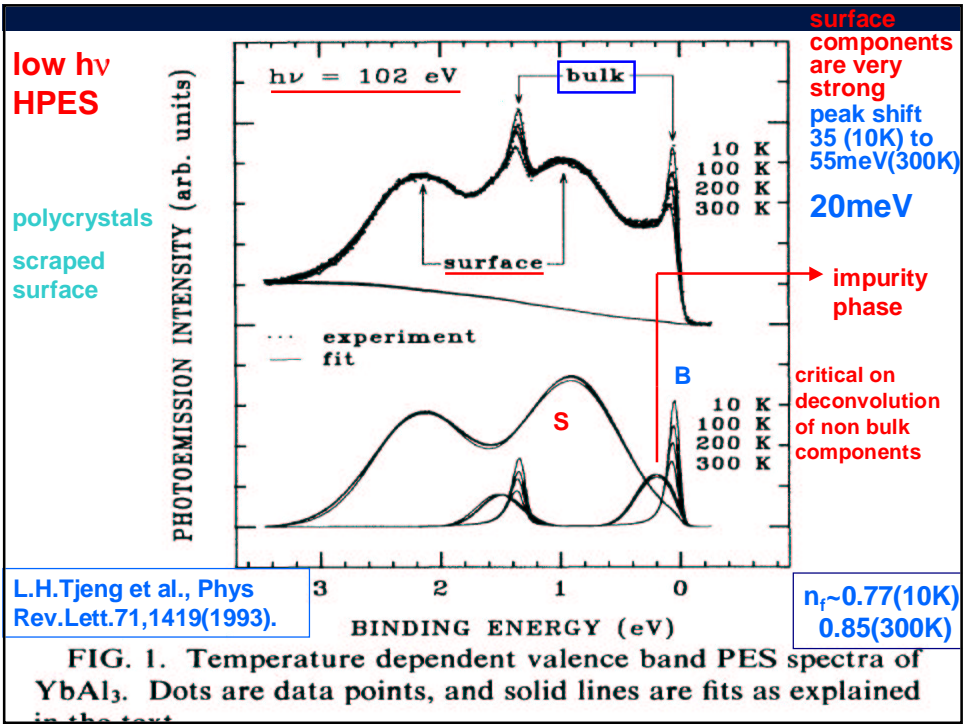


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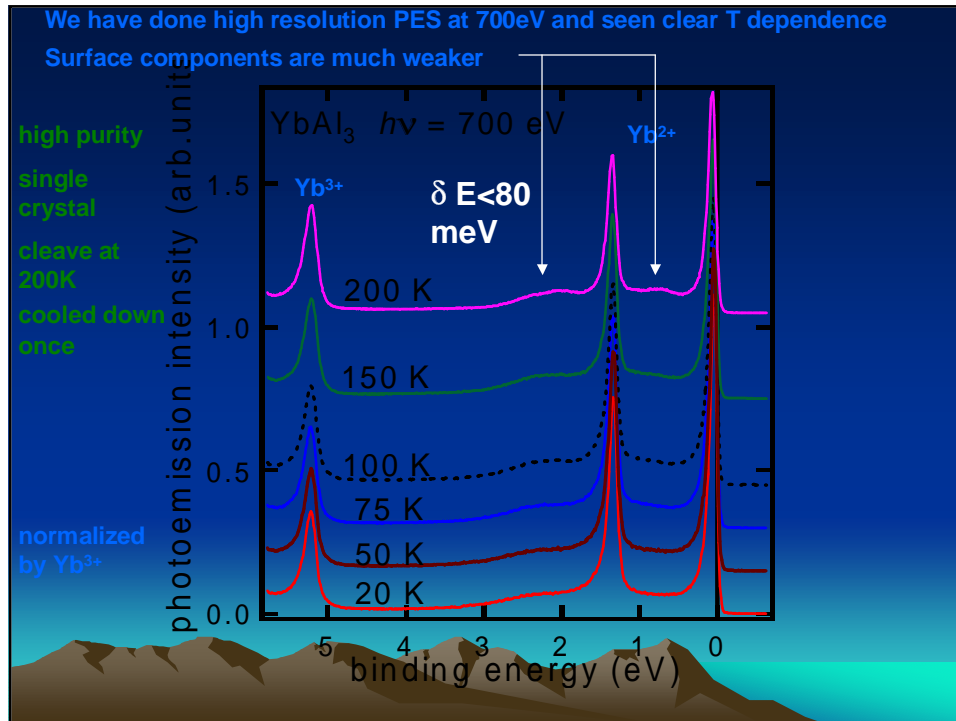
move to the 2nd subject

In Yb compounds, Kondo peak is accessible by HPES whereas Kondo tail is accessible in Ce compounds

- In the case of Ce compounds, RPES technique is applicable, which is not effective in Yb compounds.
- However, the cross section of Yb 4f is large even in the soft X-ray region.
- Thus in both cases, bulk sensitive soft X-ray PES is feasible



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final subjects:

Ce compounds:

4d-4f RPES and He I,II HPES mostly provide surface information:

A.Sekiyama et al., Nature 403,396-398 (2000) &
J.Phys.Soc.Jpn.69,2771(2000)

CeRu₂Ge₂, CeRu₂Si₂, CeRu₂

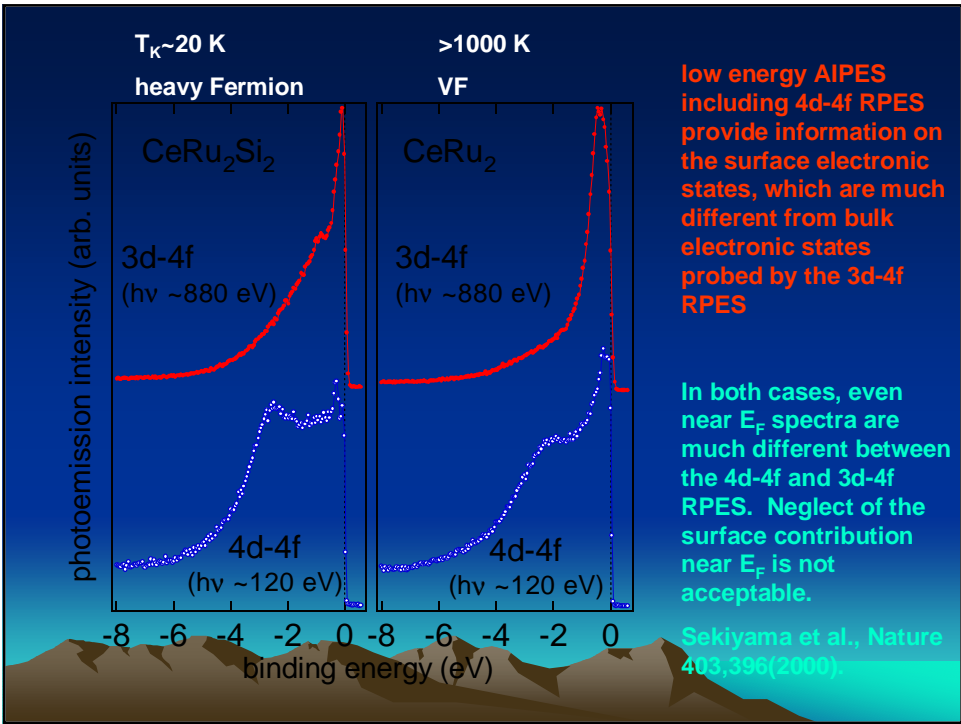
- CeNi
- CePdX(X=P,As,Sb), CePtX(X=P,As,Sb)
T.Iwasaki et al., Phys.Rev.B65,195109(2002)
- NCA calculation on single impurity Anderson model (SIAM) could well explain the 4f state and Kondo tail of Ce compounds except for CeRu₂ which has T_K above 1000 K

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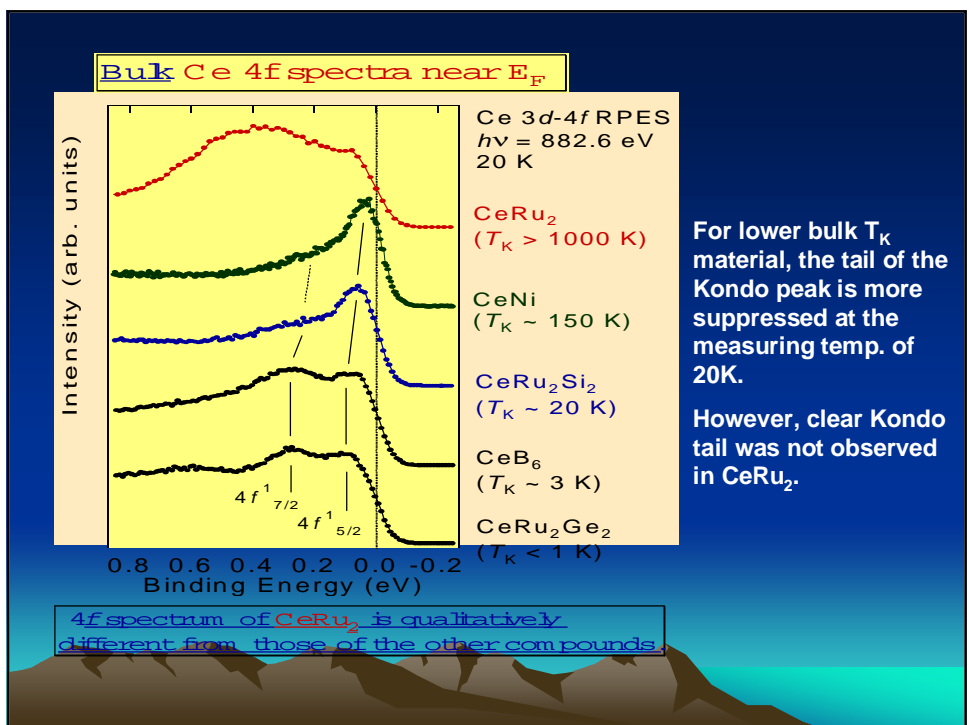
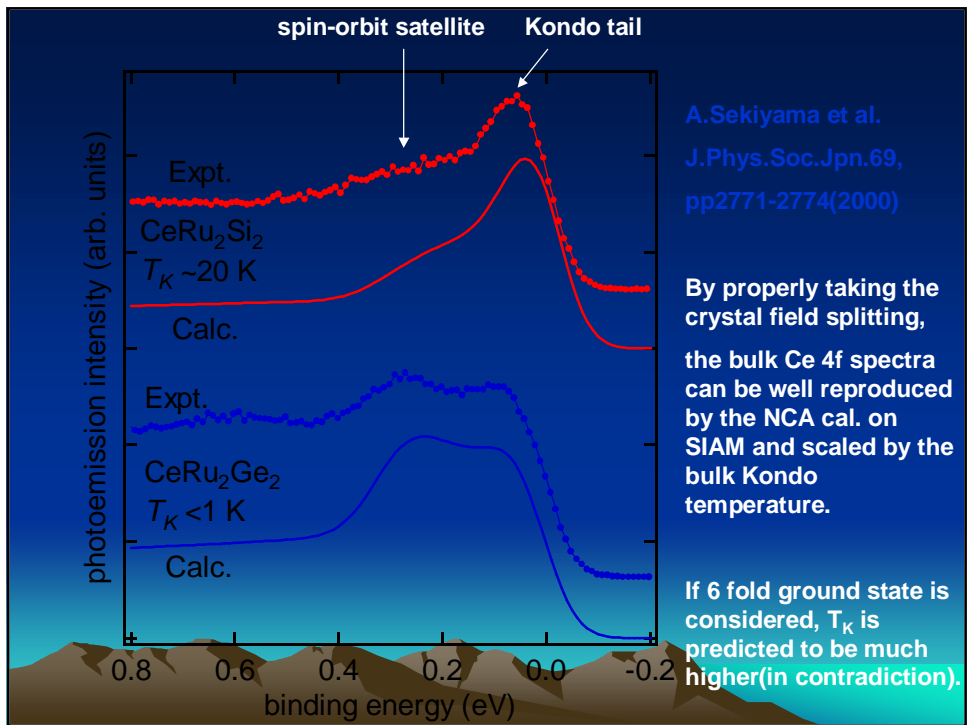
In very low T_K systems, one may think that the surface localized 4f states are not much different from the bulk electronic states, which are already localized to some extent.

One may also claim that the spectra near the E_F are not much influenced by the surface effects, because the surface states are located in the deeper E_B .

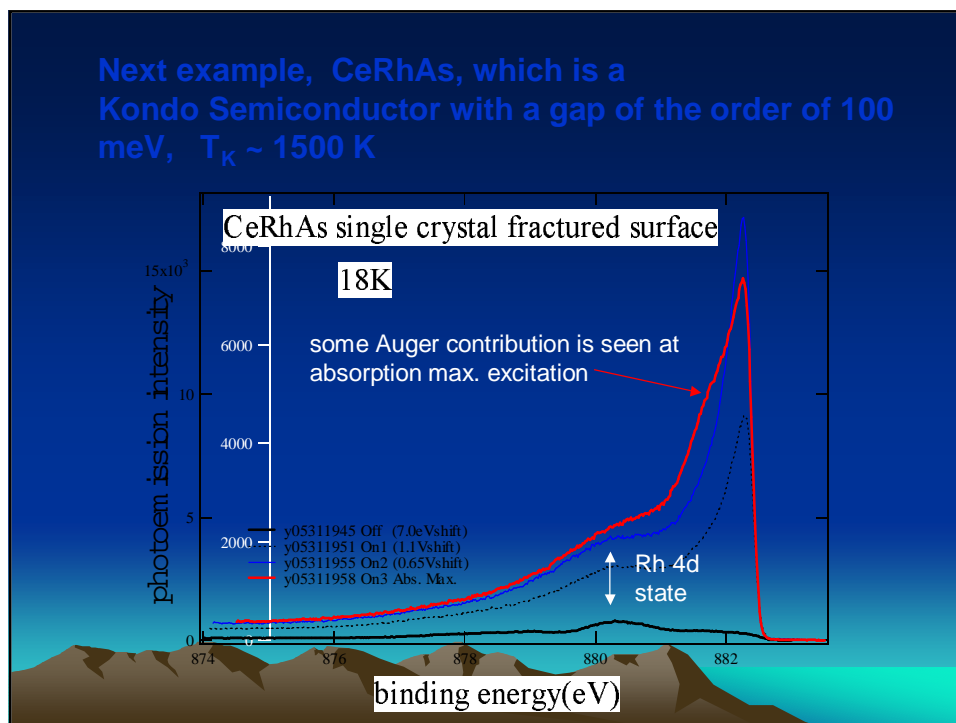
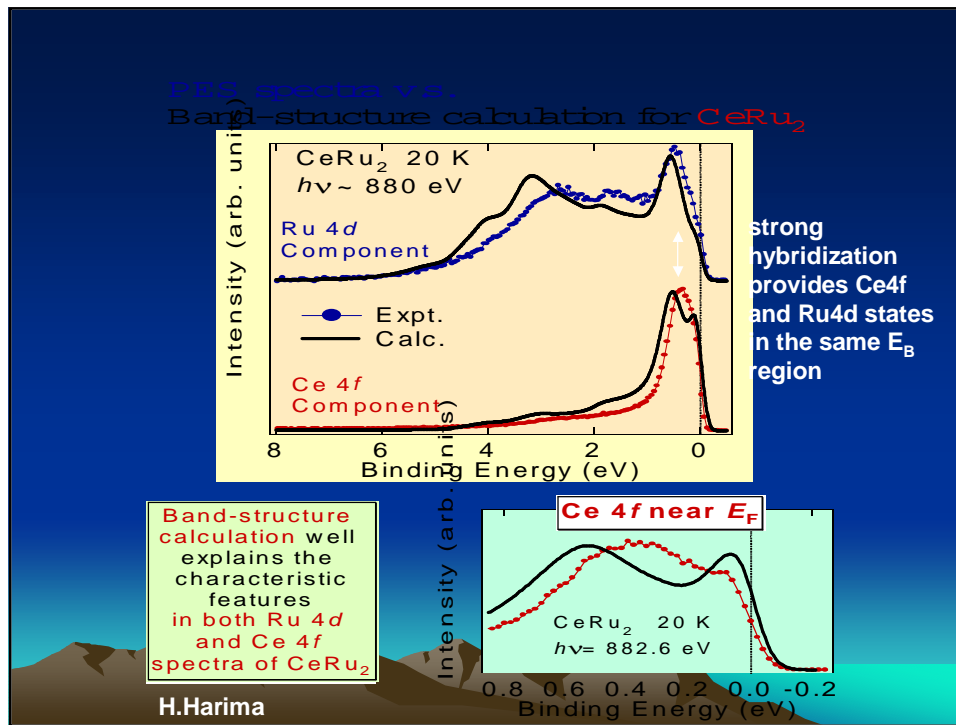
These speculations are not well grounded.



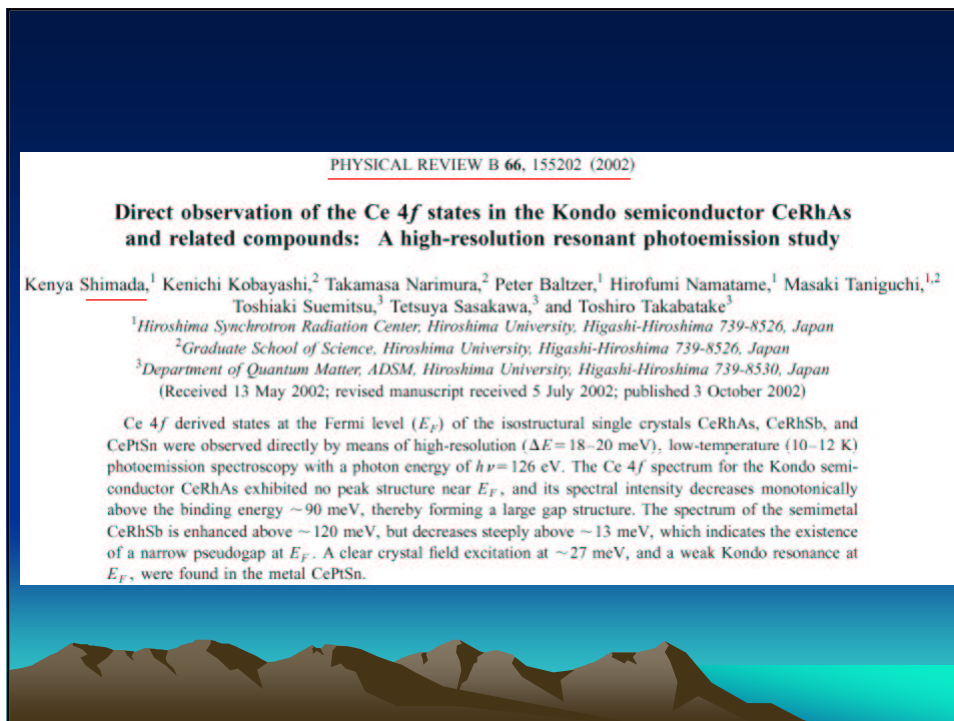
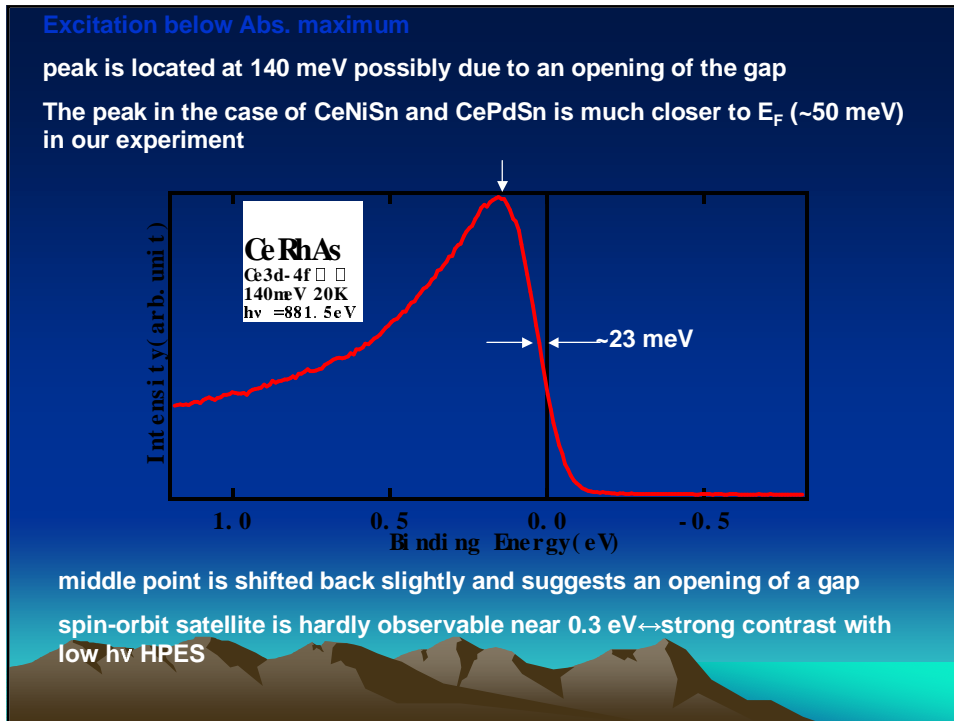
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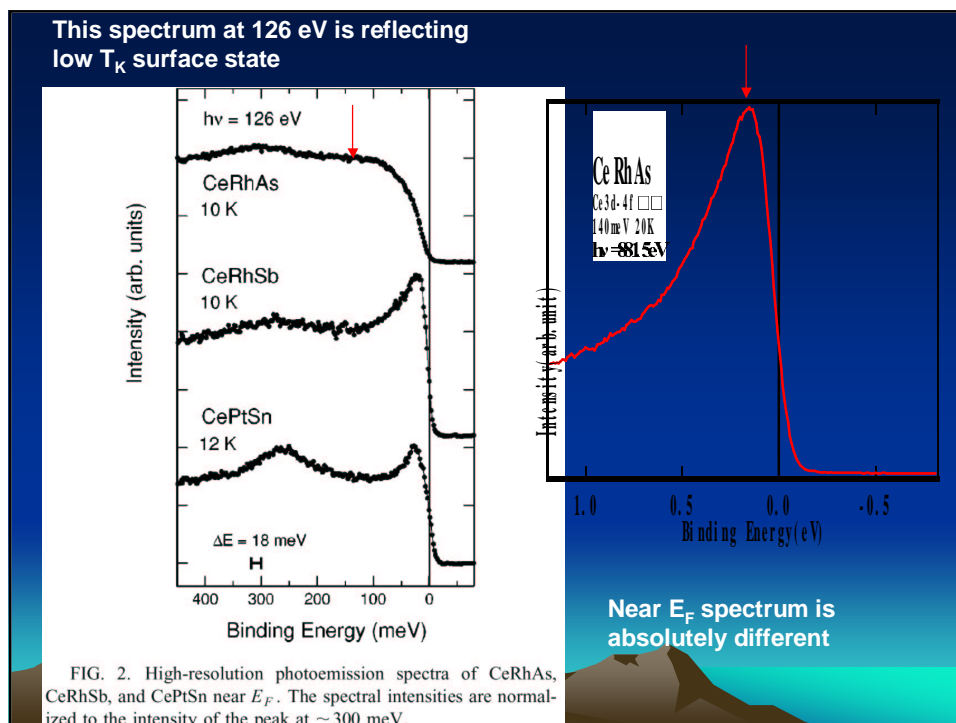
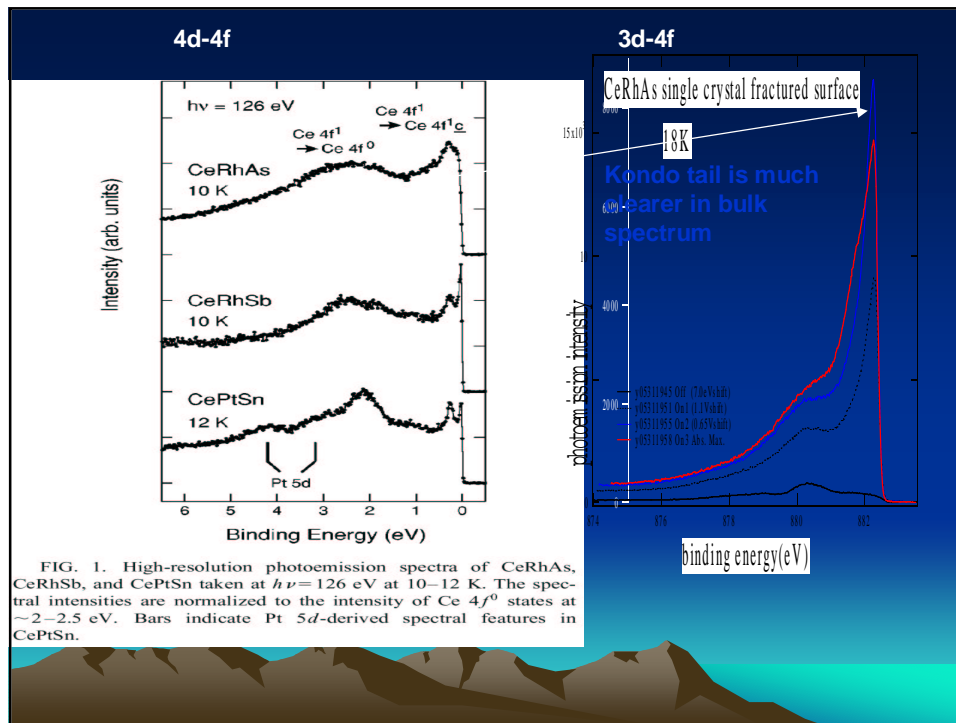
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very low T_K system with very small $\rho V^2(E_F)$

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High-resolution resonance photoemission study of CeMX ($M = \text{Pt, Pd}$; $X = \text{P, As, Sb}$)

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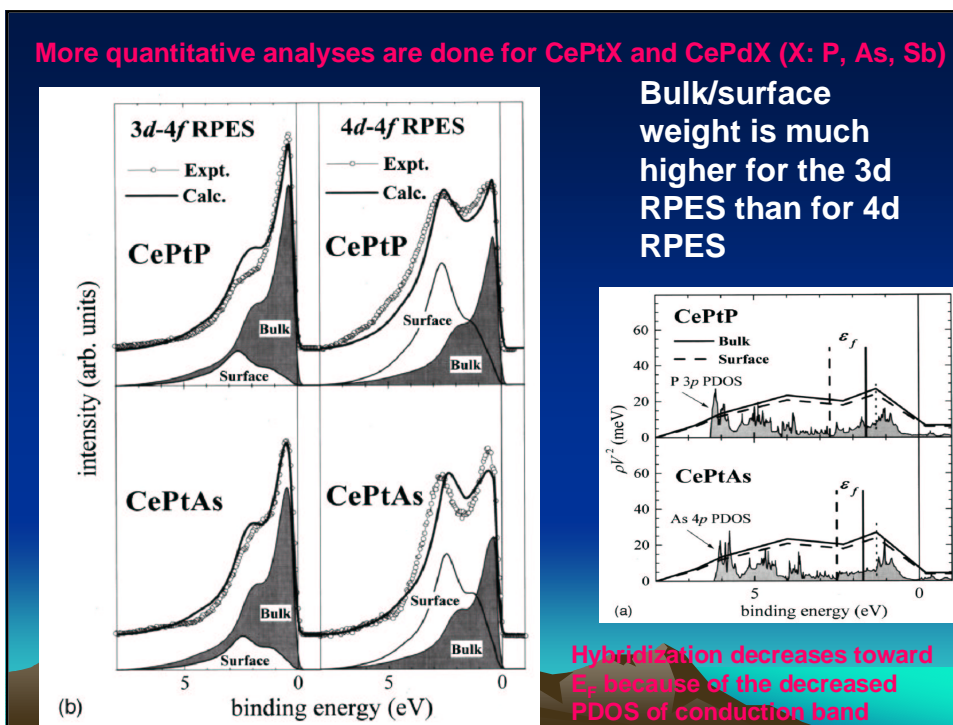
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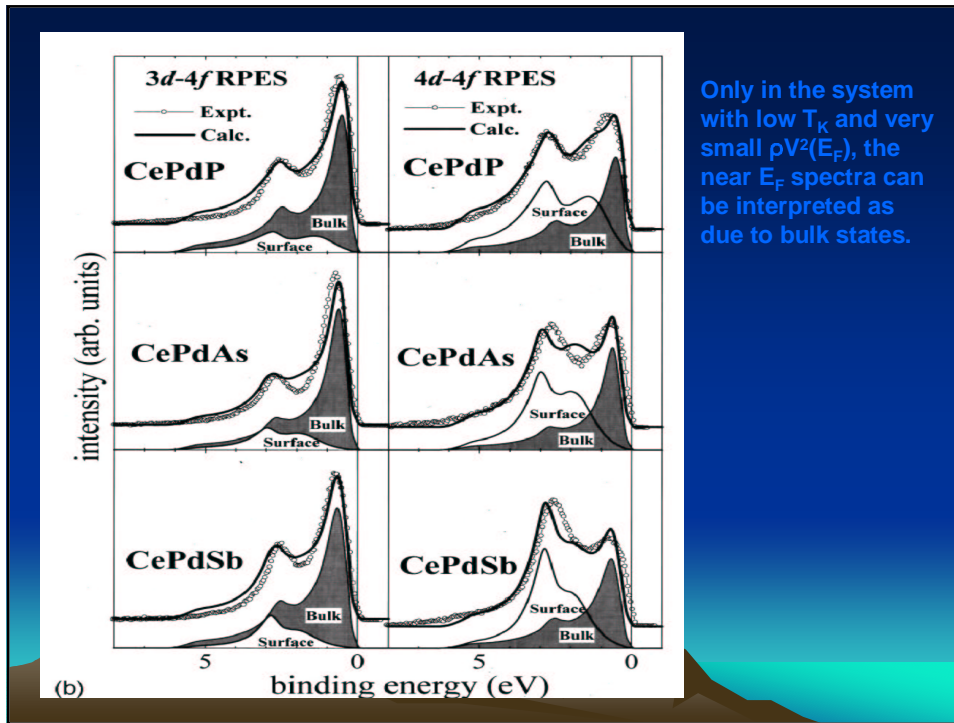
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Summary

- Soft X-ray high resolution photoemission spectroscopy (both angle integrated and resolved) can provide very important information on bulk electronic states of RE and TM compounds
- Feasibility of soft X-ray ARPES for band mapping and Fermiology is demonstrated for the first time
- Re-examination of electronic structures of many correlated electron systems by this technique is inevitable