

# Metal Photocathodes: The Influence of Electronic Band Structure on Transverse Emittance

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## **Brightness: Transverse Emittance**



• Measure of transverse electron beam (or pulse) quality:

$$\varepsilon_T = \frac{\hbar}{mc} \sqrt{\langle x^2 \rangle \langle k_x^2 \rangle} = \frac{1}{mc} \Delta x. \Delta p_T$$

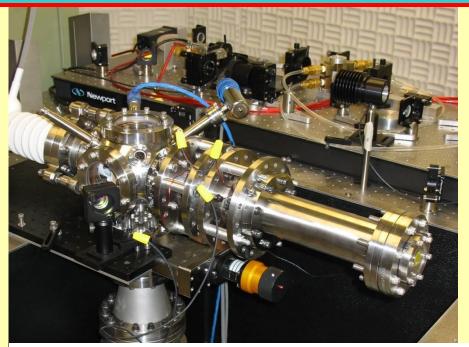
... a conserved quantity in a 'perfect' system.

- Initial electron source parameters at photocathode:
  - $-\Delta x$  determined by laser spot size & limited by Child's Law
  - $-\Delta p_T$  is an *intrinsic* property of the photocathode material
- *Standard* theoretical expressions for transverse rms momentum:

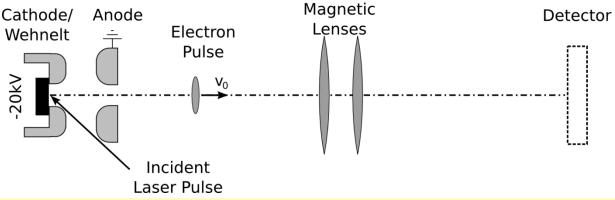
- Single-photon photoemission: 
$$\Delta p_T = \sqrt{\frac{m(\hbar\omega - \phi_{eff})}{3}}$$

# **Experiment: Solenoid Scan**





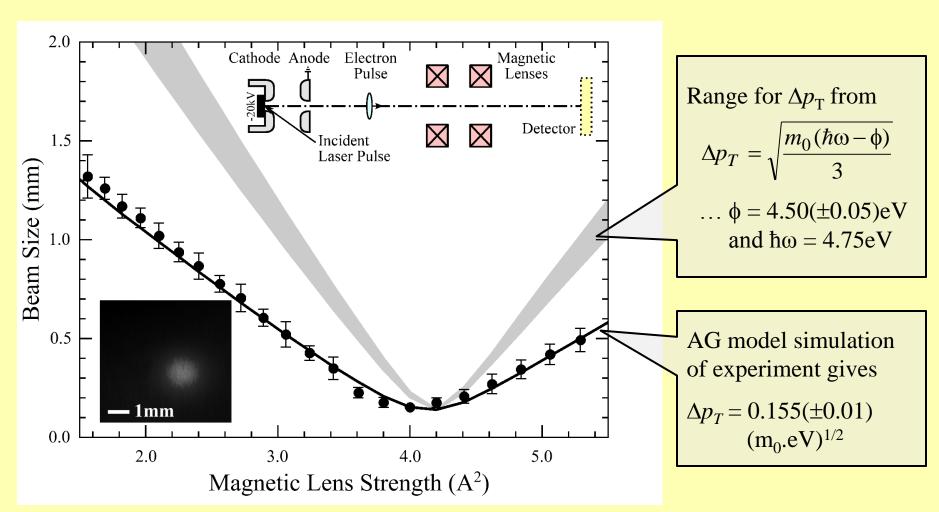
- 2W, 250fs, 63MHz, diodepumped Yb:KGW laser
  - $\sim 4 \text{ps at } 261 \text{nm} \ (\hbar \omega = 4.75 \text{eV})$
- YAG scintillator optically coupled to CCD camera
  - Beam size vs. magnetic coil (lens) current measured
  - Analytical Gaussian (AG) pulse propagation model to extract  $\Delta p_T$



# Results: Polycrystalline Cr



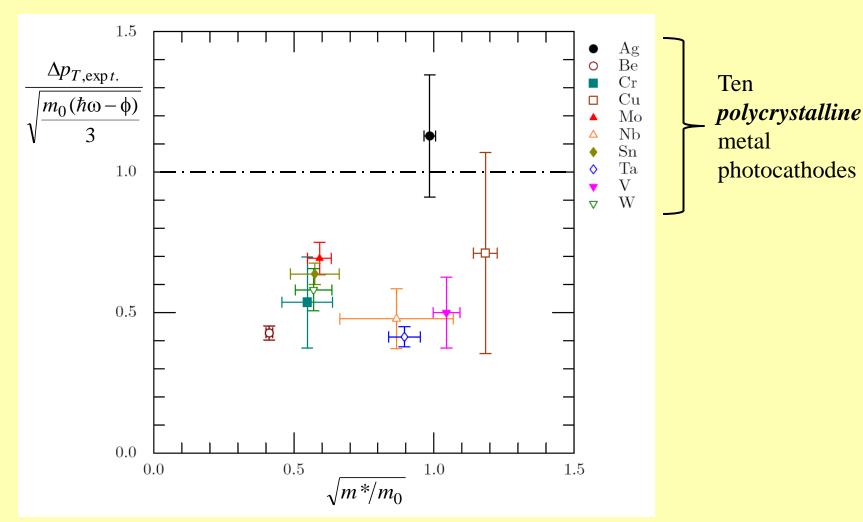
#### Solenoid scan measurement



## **Results: Metals**



– Effective mass in metal photocathodes: dH-vA, CR,  $C_e = \gamma T_e$ , optical, ...

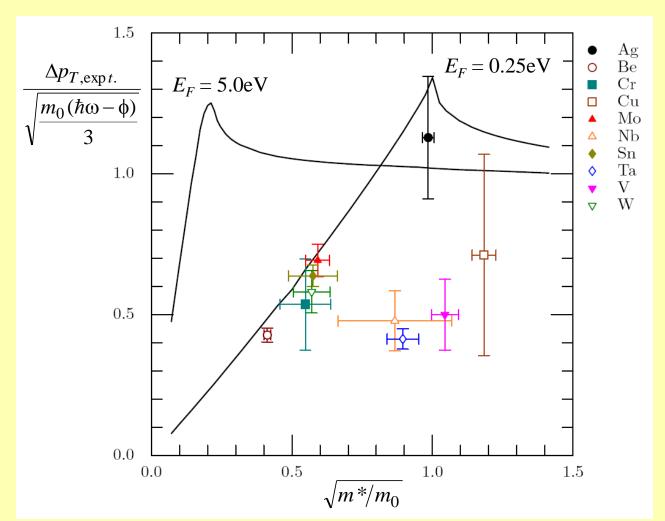


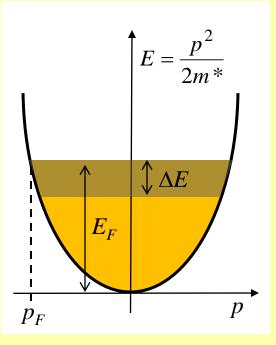
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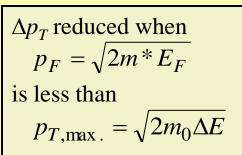
## **Results: Metals**



– Spherically symmetric electron-like bands:  $\Delta E = \hbar \omega - \phi = 0.25 \text{eV}$ 





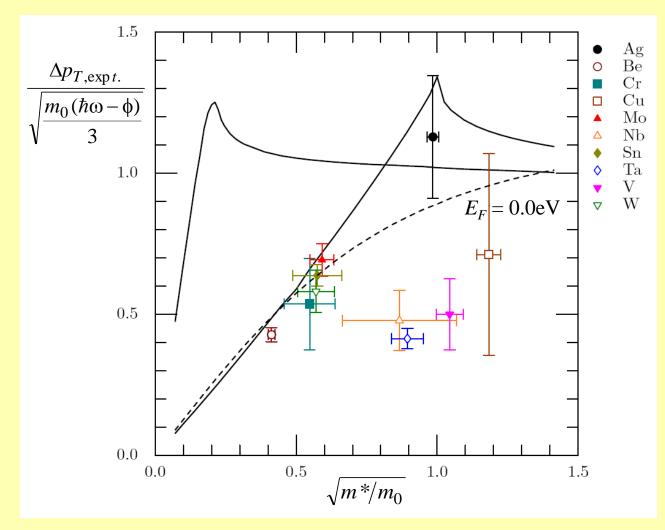


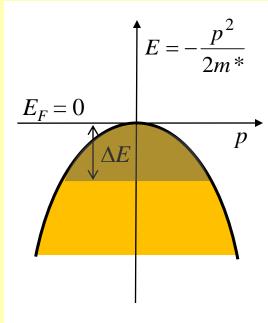
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## **Results: Metals**



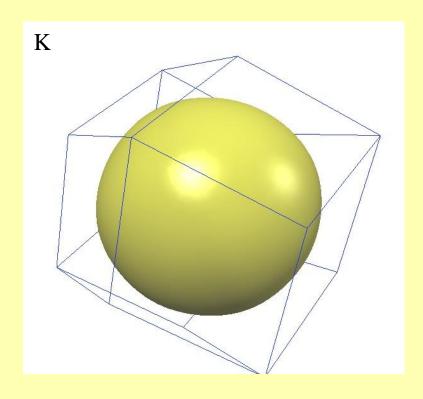
– Hole-like bands (dashed line):  $\Delta E = \hbar \omega - \phi = 0.25 \text{eV}$ 



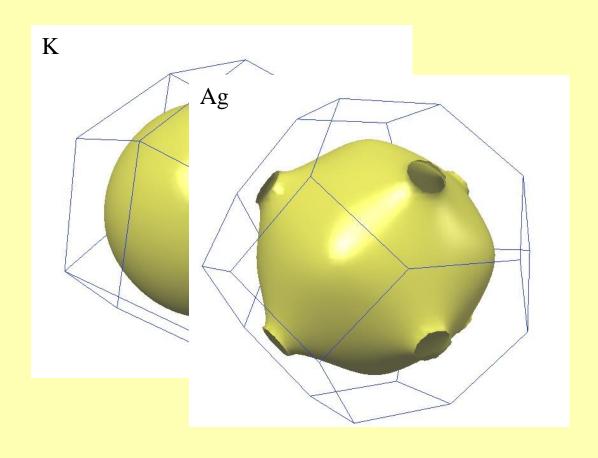


Additional effect of low barrier transmission  $T(p_z,p_{z0})$  for high  $p_T$  states

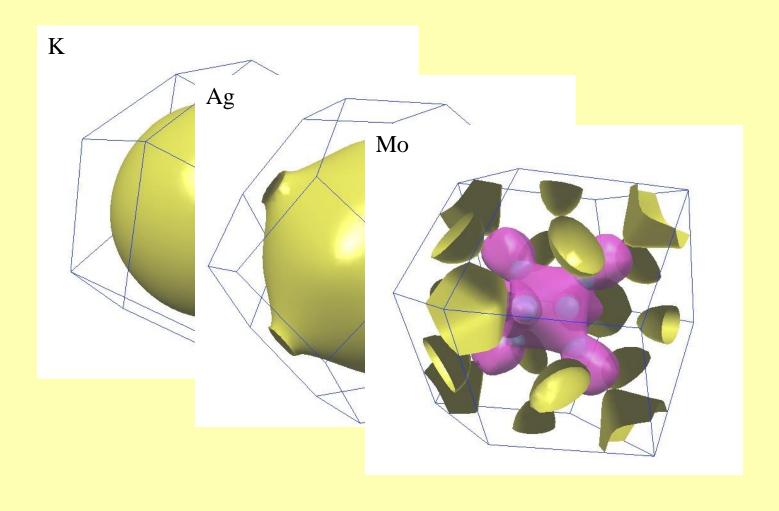




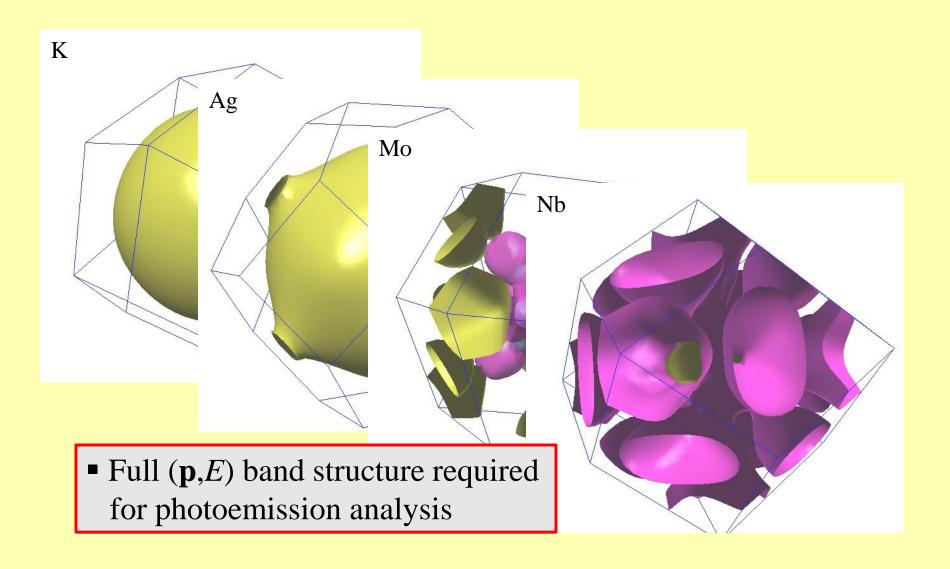








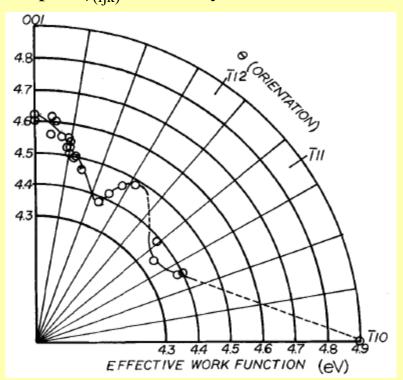


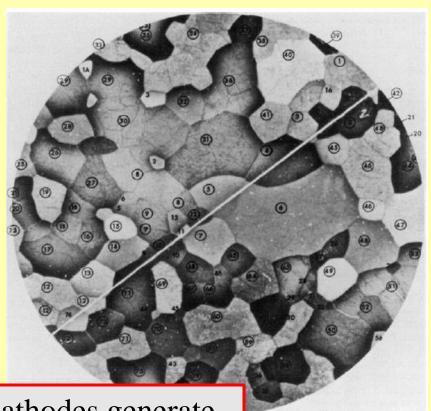


## **Work Function Anisotropy**



– Example:  $\phi_{(iik)}$  for Mo by electron emission microscopy



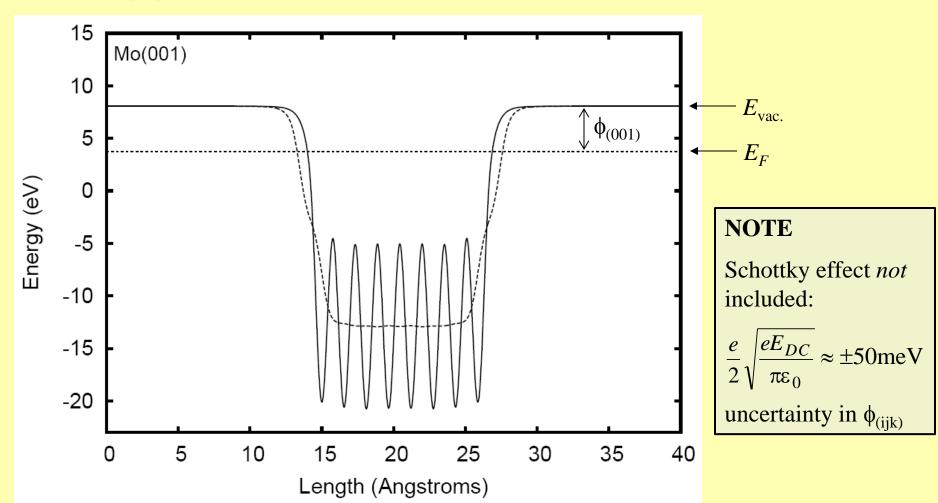


- Polycrystalline metal photocathodes generate inhomogeneous electron beams
- Any photoemission analysis *must* include  $\phi_{(ijk)}$

# Thin-slab Evaluation of $\phi_{(ijk)}$



- Example:  $\phi_{(001)} = 4.53(\pm 0.05)$ eV for Mo

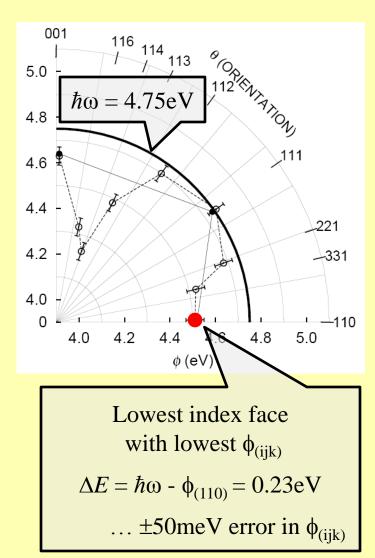


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# **Photoemission Simulation: Ag**

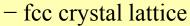


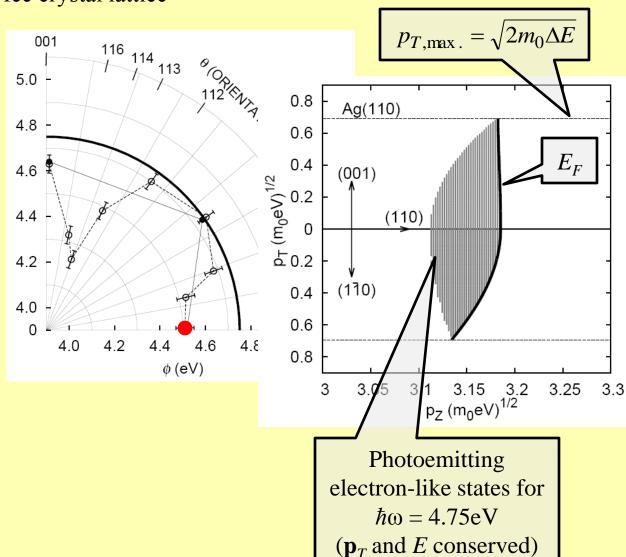
fcc crystal lattice



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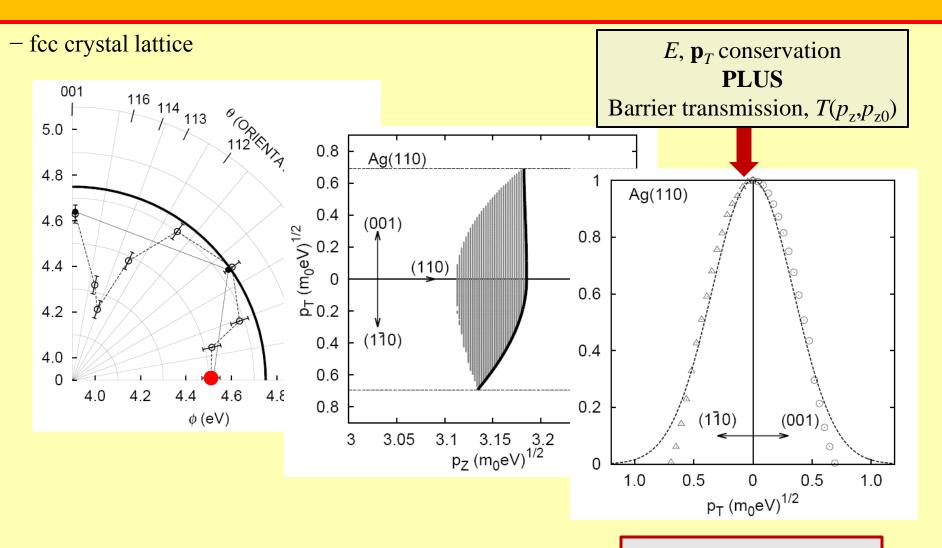






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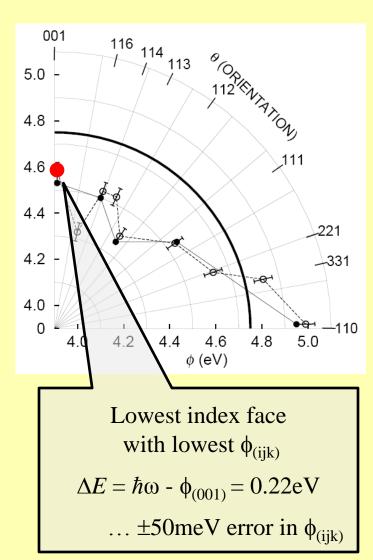


Spatially-averaged  $\Delta p_T = 0.267 \text{ (m}_0.\text{eV)}^{1/2}$ 

## **Photoemission Simulation: Mo**



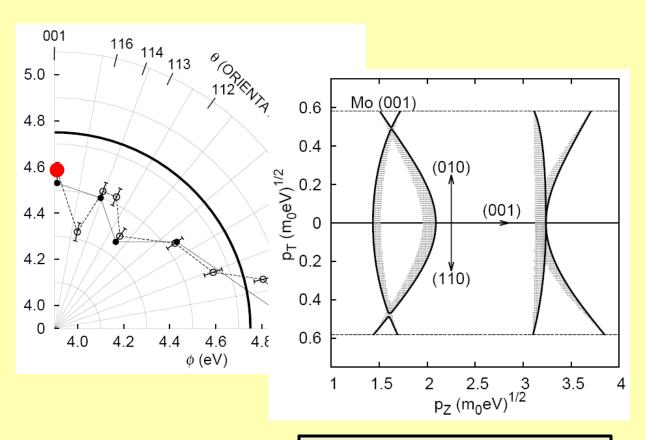
#### bcc crystal lattice



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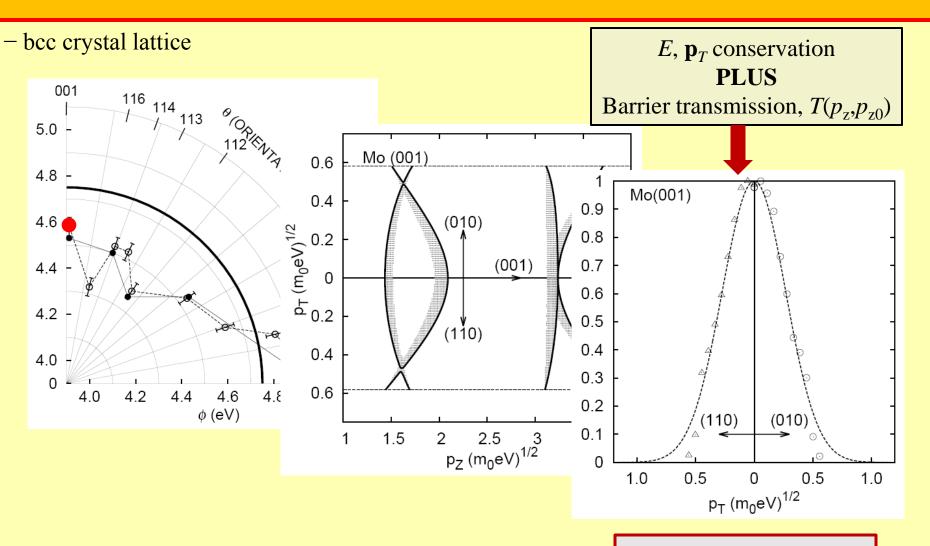
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Both electron- and hole-like states contribute to photoemission

## **Photoemission Simulation: Mo**



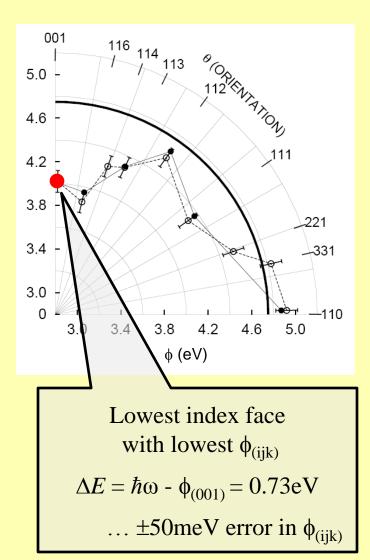


Spatially-averaged  $\Delta p_T = 0.219 \text{ (m}_0.\text{eV)}^{1/2}$ 

## **Photoemission Simulation: Nb**



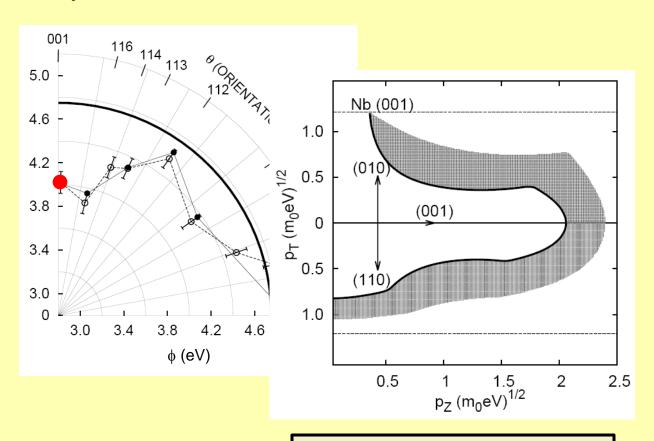
- bcc crystal lattice



## **Photoemission Simulation: Nb**



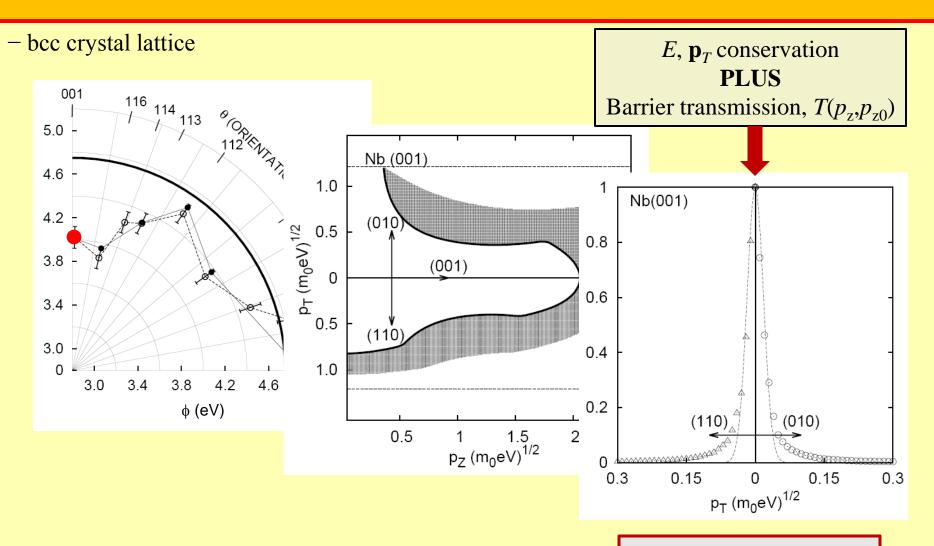
#### bcc crystal lattice



Only hole-like states contribute to photoemission

## **Photoemission Simulation: Nb**

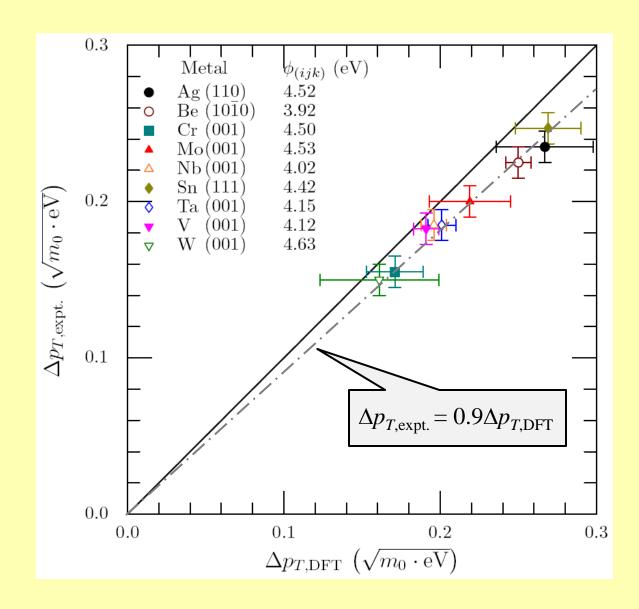




Spatially-averaged  $\Delta p_T = 0.196 \text{ (m}_0.\text{eV})^{1/2}$ 

# **Experiment vs. Theory**





#### **NOTE**

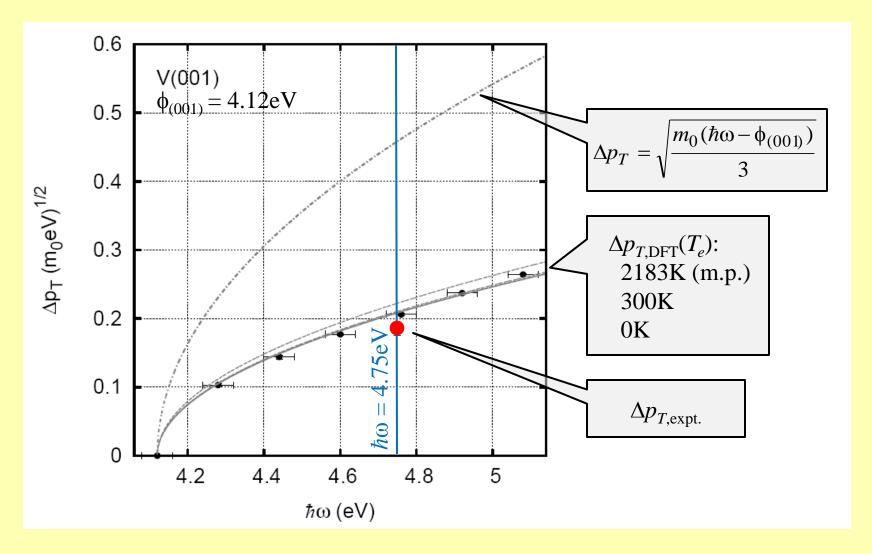
 $\Delta p_{T,DFT} \ge \Delta p_{T,\text{expt.}}$  is **expected**:

Other crystal faces with smaller  $\Delta E = \hbar \omega - \phi_{(ijk)}$  contribute with lower  $\Delta p_T$  thereby reducing  $\Delta p_{T, expt.}$  for polycrystalline metal photocathodes.

# $\Delta p_T(T_e)$ for V(001) emission



- DFT band structure with Fermi-Dirac distribution for electrons



# Summary



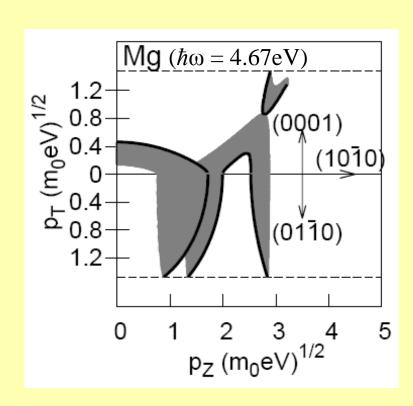
- Work function anisotropy  $\phi_{(ijk)}$ 
  - ⇒ Intrinsically inhomogeneous electron beam from polycrystalline photocathodes
- Band structure complexity (non-spherical Fermi surface)
  - $\Rightarrow$  DFT-based photoemission analysis for evaluation of  $\Delta p_T$  (knowledge of electronic state (**p**,*E*)-distribution is fundamental)
- Future work: Single-crystal photocathodes
  - Direct comparison with theory
  - Homogeneous electron beams (higher  $\eta_{PE}$  possible)
  - Bi-metal crystal alloys to 'tune' photocathode properties?
  - Semiconductors ...

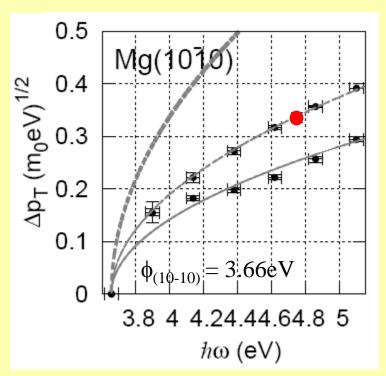
# Finally ...



### Calculating $\Delta p_{\rm T}(ijk)$ for **all** elemental metals

- Results will be available on-line to research community in early 2015





... data presentation?



# Thank you!

# **Copper Photocathode**



- Possible excited state emission process for Cu(111)

