

Spectroscopy on strongly correlated electron systems

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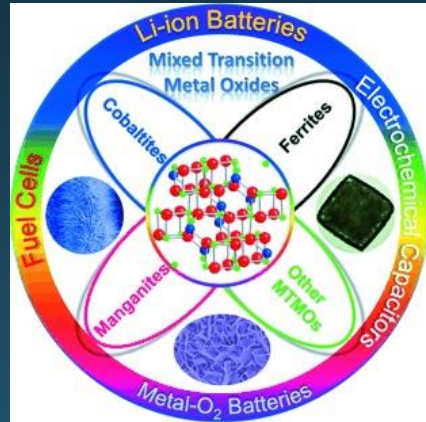
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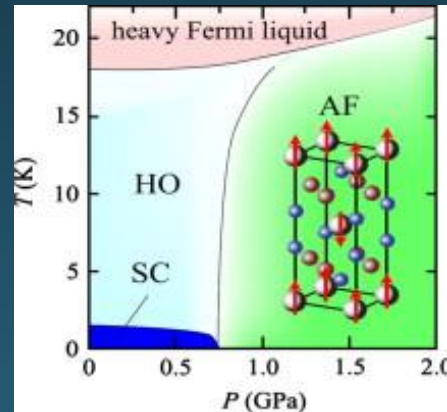
Outline

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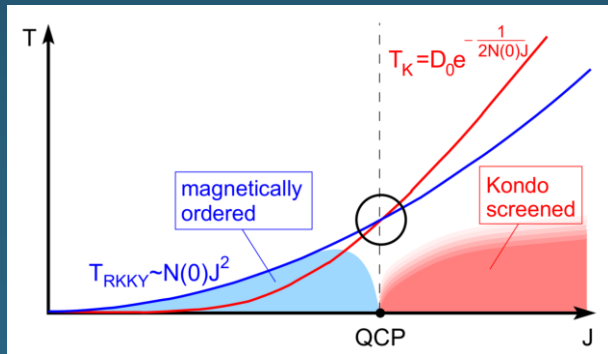
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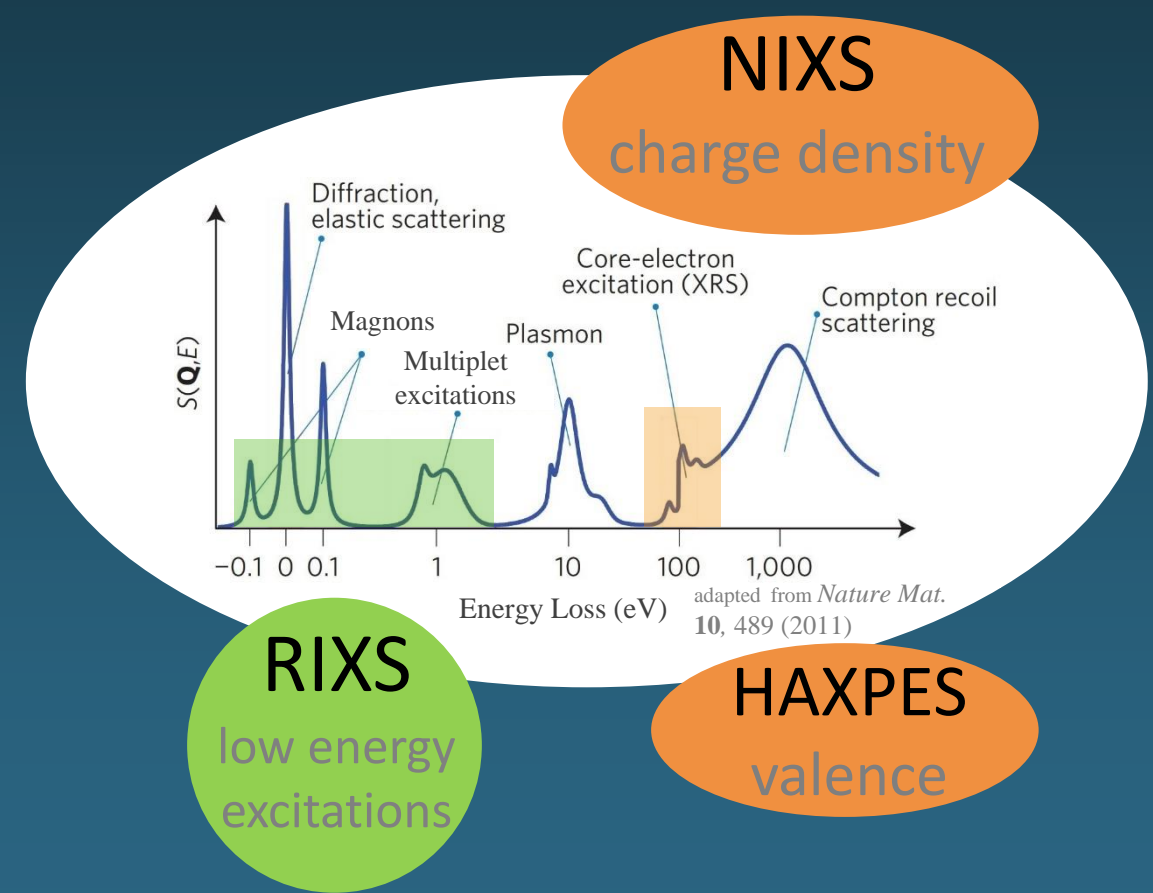
TM oxides



U intermetallics



RE compounds



NIXS
charge density

RIXS
low energy excitations

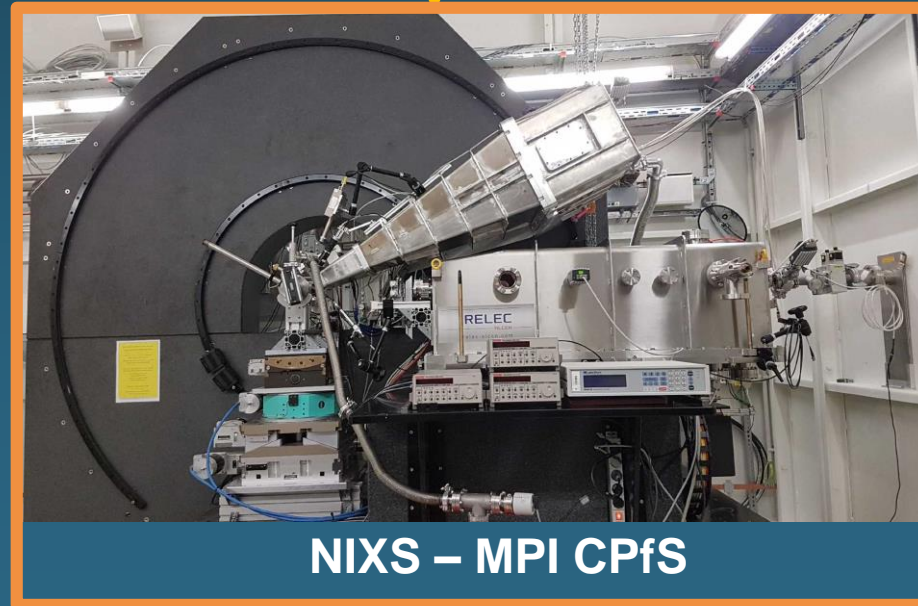
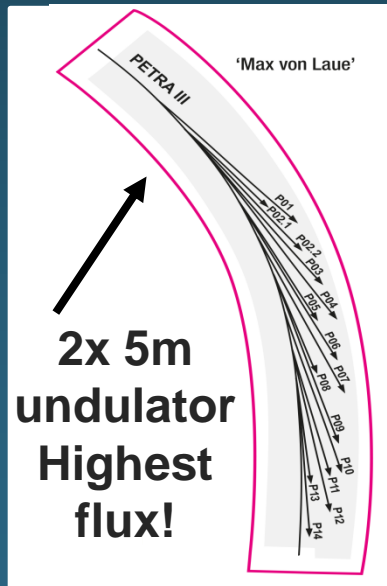
HAXPES
valence

adapted from *Nature Mat.* 10, 489 (2011)

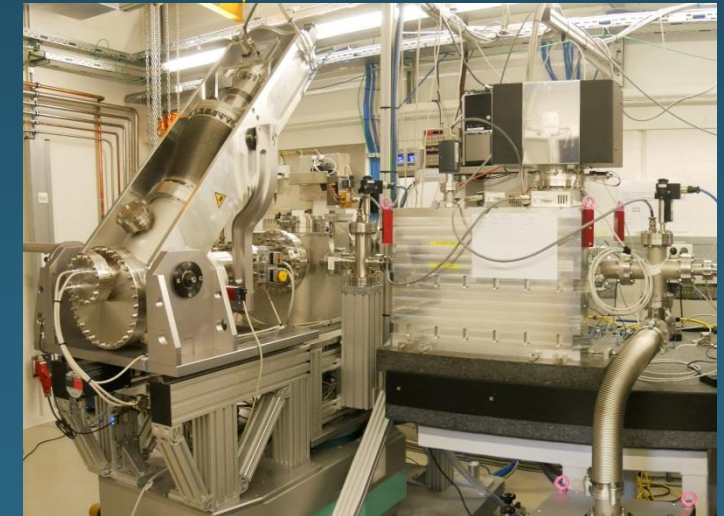
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P01 IXS end stations

Beamtime share:
50% NRS
20% IXS MPI CPfS
20% IXS MPI FKF
10% IXS Proposals



NIXS – MPI CPfS



RIXS – MPI FKF

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Non-resonant Inelastic X-ray Scattering (NIXS)

Soft x-ray absorption spectroscopy

BUT: Using hard x-rays

- 700meV FWHM at 10keV

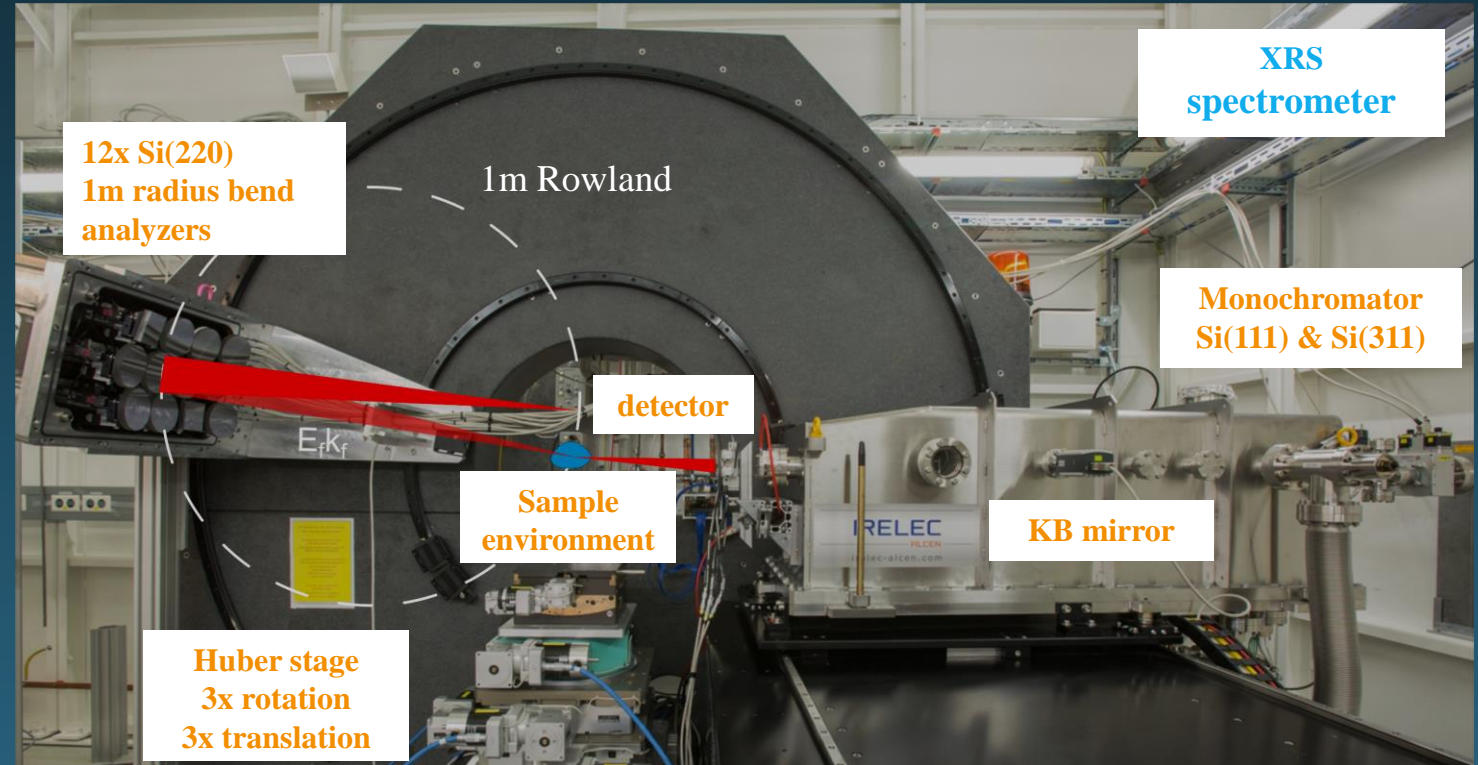
Bulk sensitive

- Complex environments
- In-situ experiments
- No cleaving

Beyond dipole

- New excitonic states
- Dichroism beyond 2-fold

Photon hungry



Medipix3 detector (x-spectrum)



Photon counting
2D-detector

Dynaflow cryostat (ESRF)



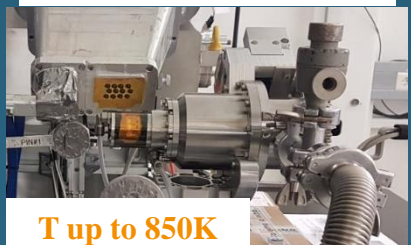
T down to 3K

Oven – custom design



360° rotation

Oven – custom design



T up to 850K

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Side remark: NIXS for chemistry or geoscience

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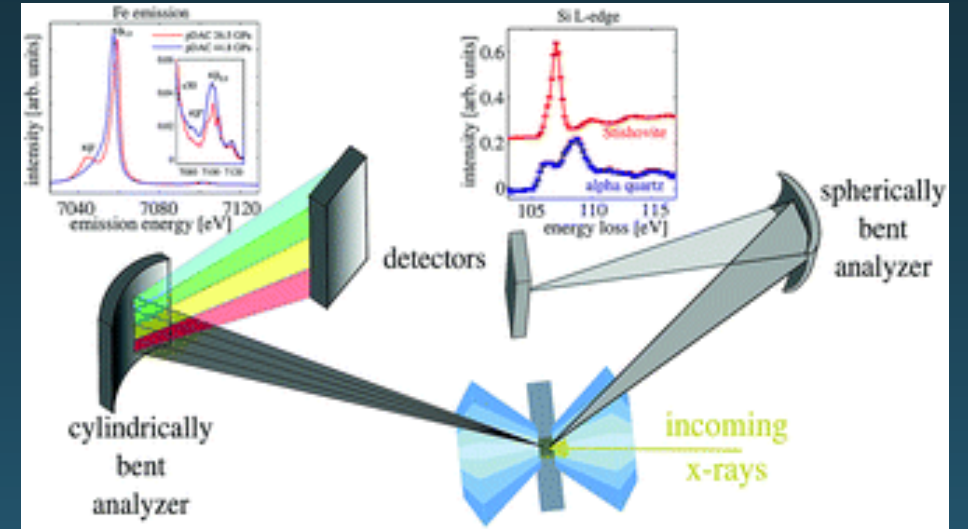
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Geoscience:

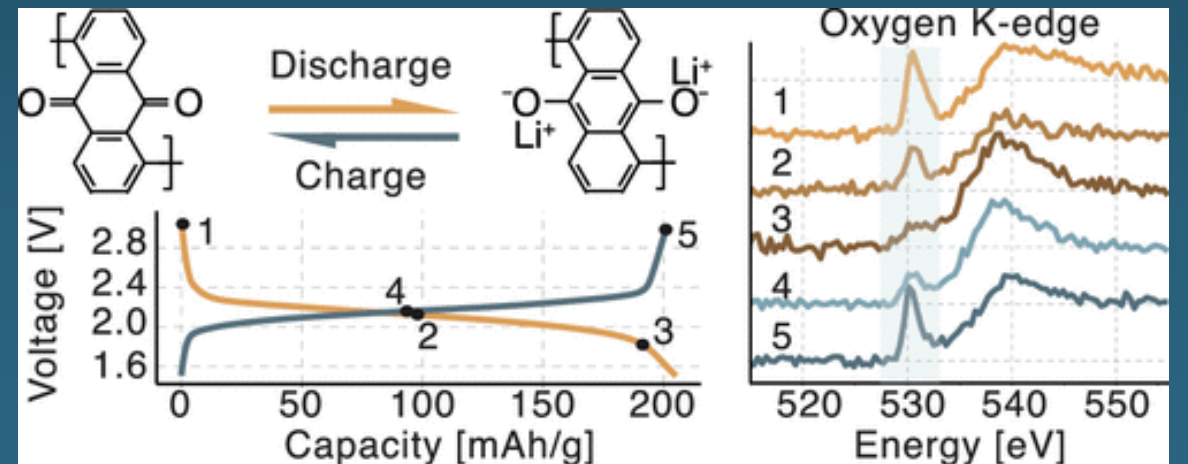
Extreme conditions



C. Weis, *et al.*, *J. Anal. At. Spectrom.* **34**, 384 (2019)

Batteries:

In-situ / in-operando



Ava Rajh, *et al.*, *J. Phys. Chem C* **126**, 5435 (2022)

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NIXS: Unique insights to matter (part 1)

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Exploit the transitions not accessible by soft XAS
→ Unique new probe of matter

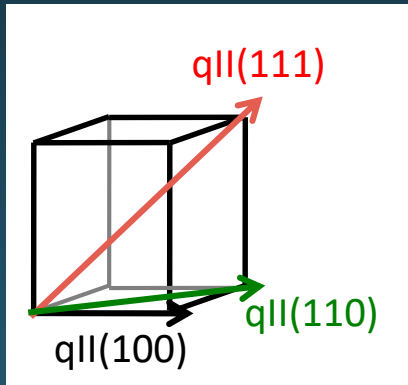
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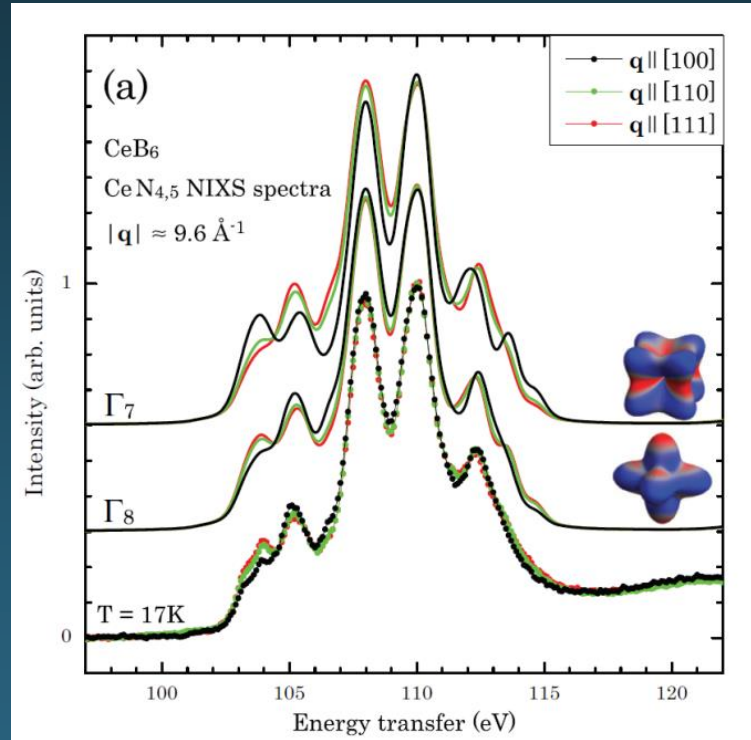
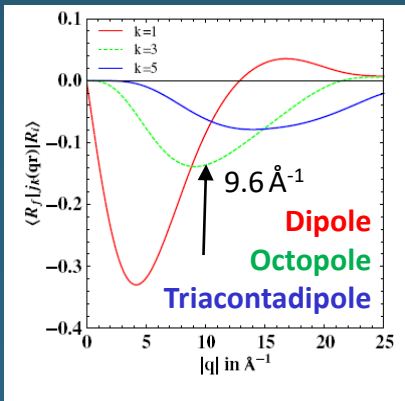
NIXS on rare earth (RE) intermetallics: 4f crystal-field ground state

Question: ground state of Ce^{3+} or Sm^{3+} : Γ_8 or Γ_7 ?

Dichroism in cubic systems



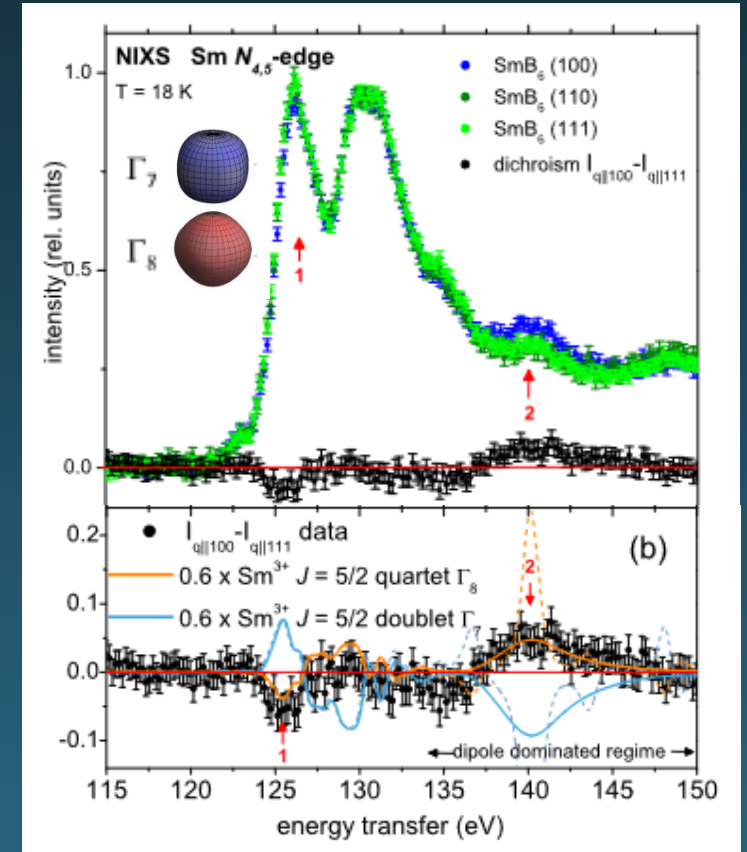
possible trough
beyond-dipole transitions



CeB₆: multipolar order compound

We confirm the Γ_8 ground state!!

EPL 117, 17003 (2017)



SmB₆: Kondo insulator and putative strongly correlated topological insulator.

Sm^{2.6+}: mixture of Sm³⁺ and Sm²⁺
only Sm³⁺ contributes to dichroism
PRL 120, 016402 (2018)

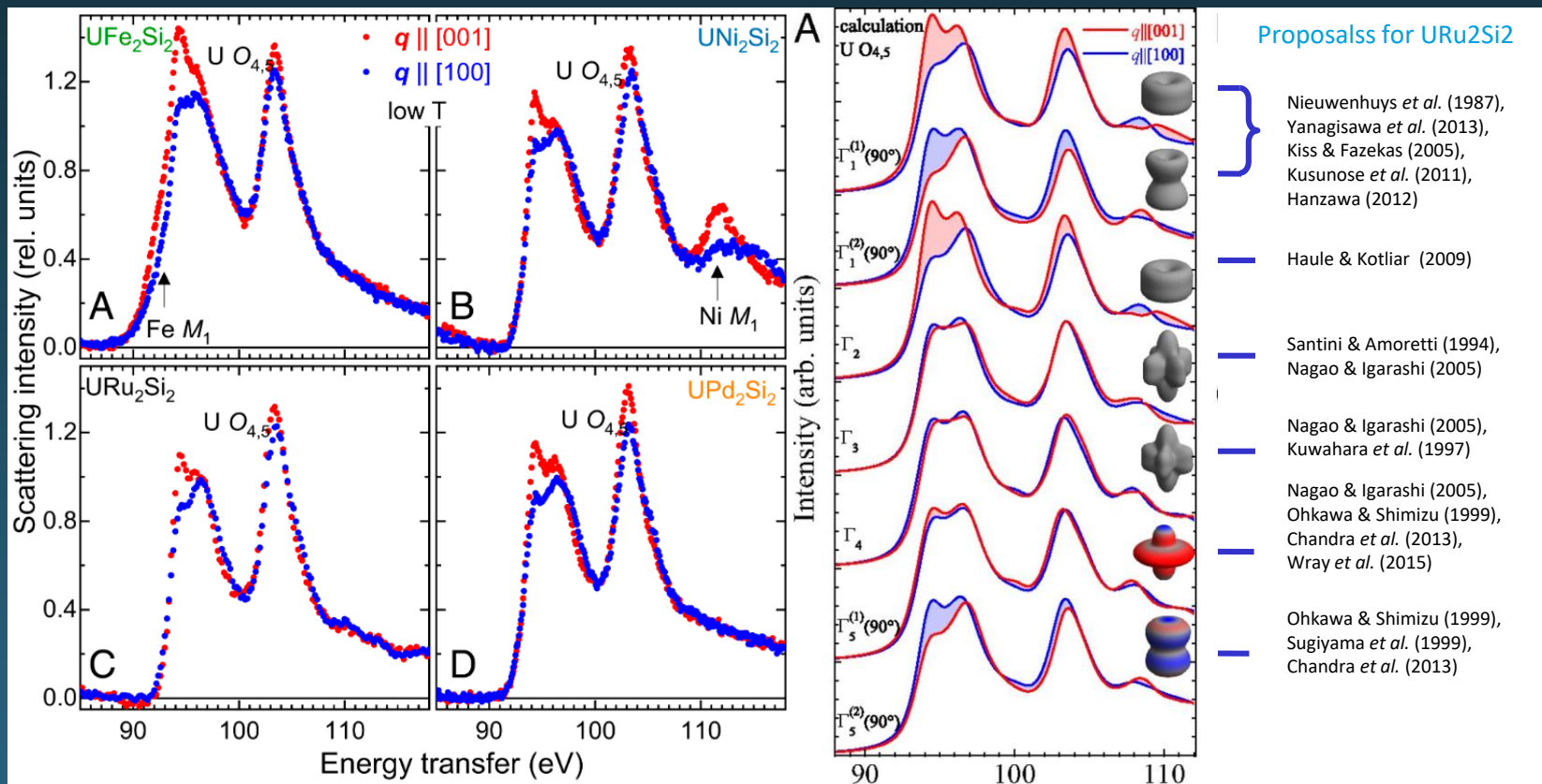
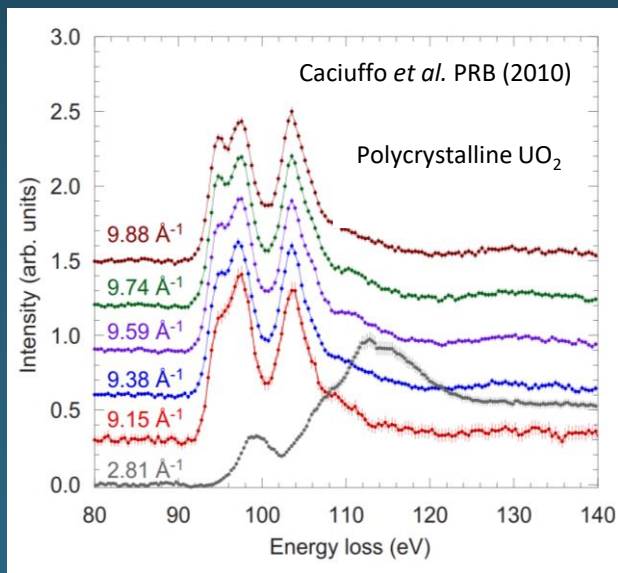
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NIXS on Uranium: Excitonic resonances in intermetallic compounds

Question: CF ground state?

Beyond-dipole transitions give access to excitonic multiplets!

No cleaving required!



UM₂Si₂: From hidden order (HO) to magnetism

Same symmetry forms HO and magnetism!!

A. Amorese et al, PNAS 117, 30220 (2020)

URu₂Si₂: Hidden order compound

Restrict scenarios of the ordering!!

PNAS 113, 13989 (2016)

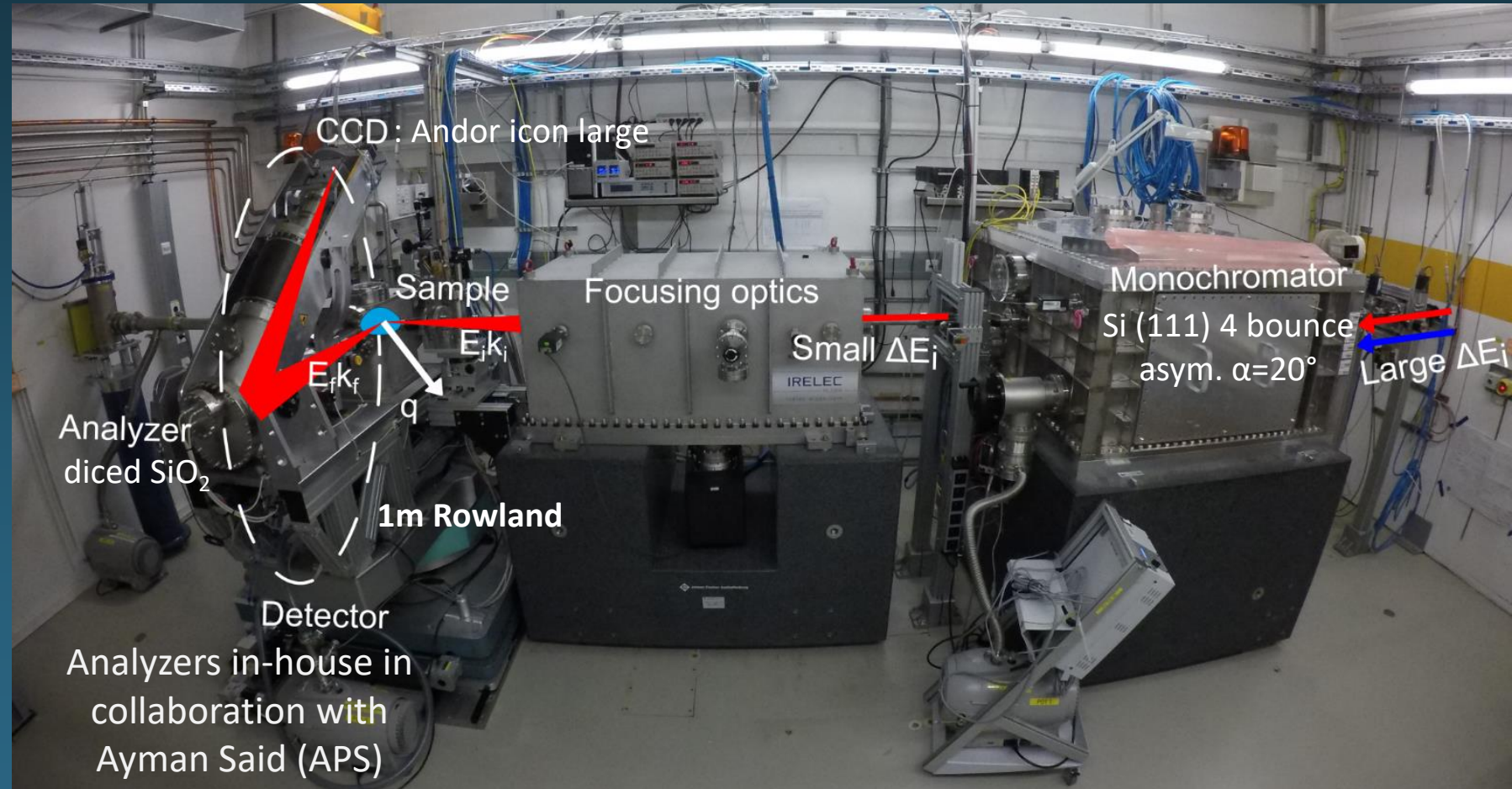
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Tender Resonant Inelastic X-ray Scattering (RIXS)

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Build for RIXS at Ru L_3

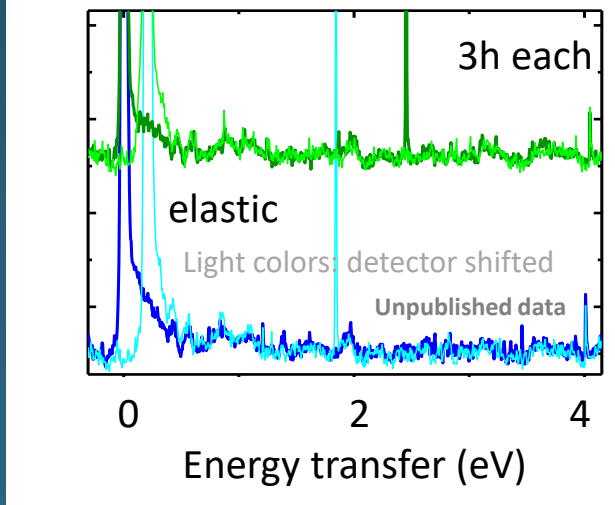
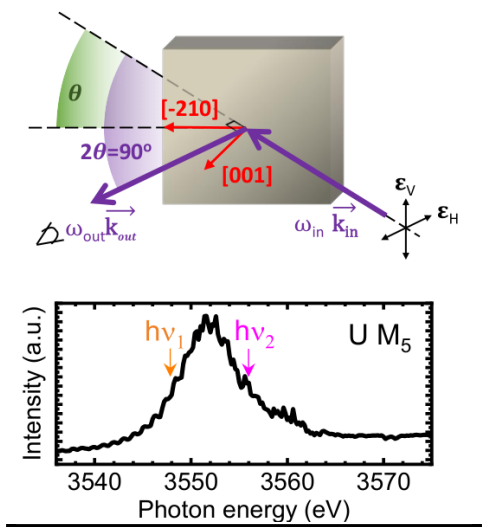
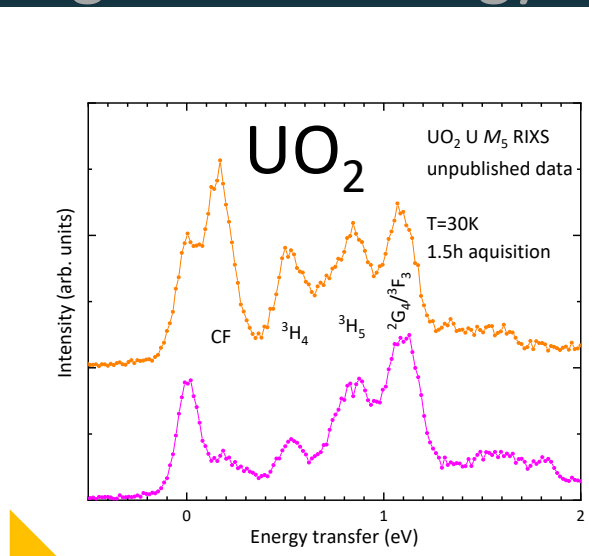
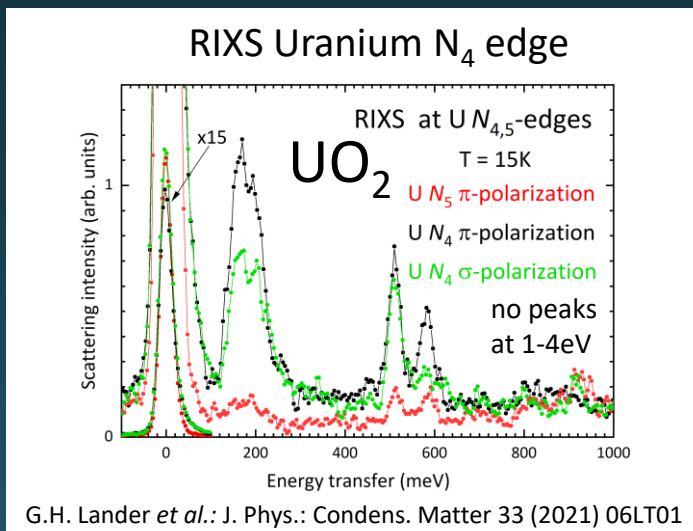
Edge	Energy (eV)	FWHM (meV)
Ru L_3	2840	75
Rh L_3	3005	90
Rh L_2	3146	150
U M_5	3550	70
U M_4	3725	150

Upcoming: S K-edge 2475 eV
T. Liu et al., Energy Storage Materials (2020)

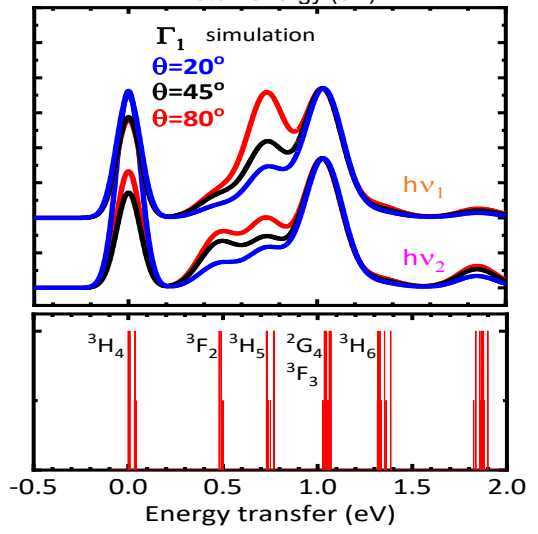
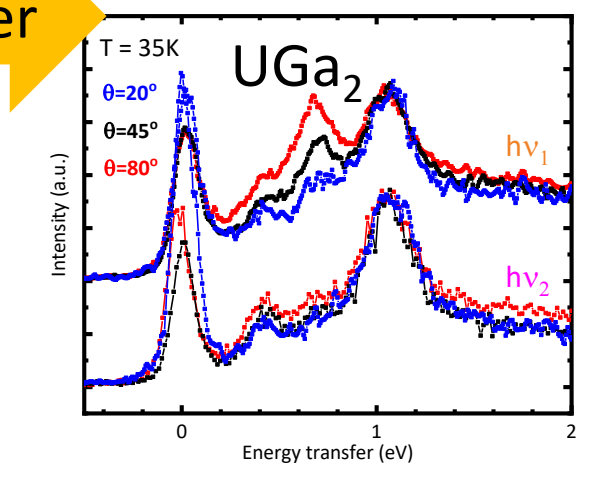


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RIXS at the U $M_{4,5}$ edges: Low energy excitations



soft – tender



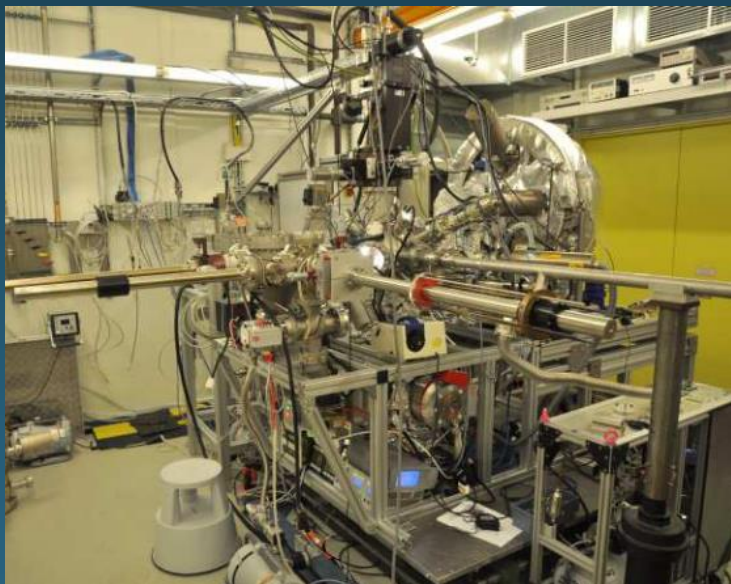
A. Marino *et al*, PRB 108, 045142 (2023)

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P22: Hard X-ray Photoelectron spectroscopy (HAXPES) on *f*-electron systems

Question: valence of RE / U?

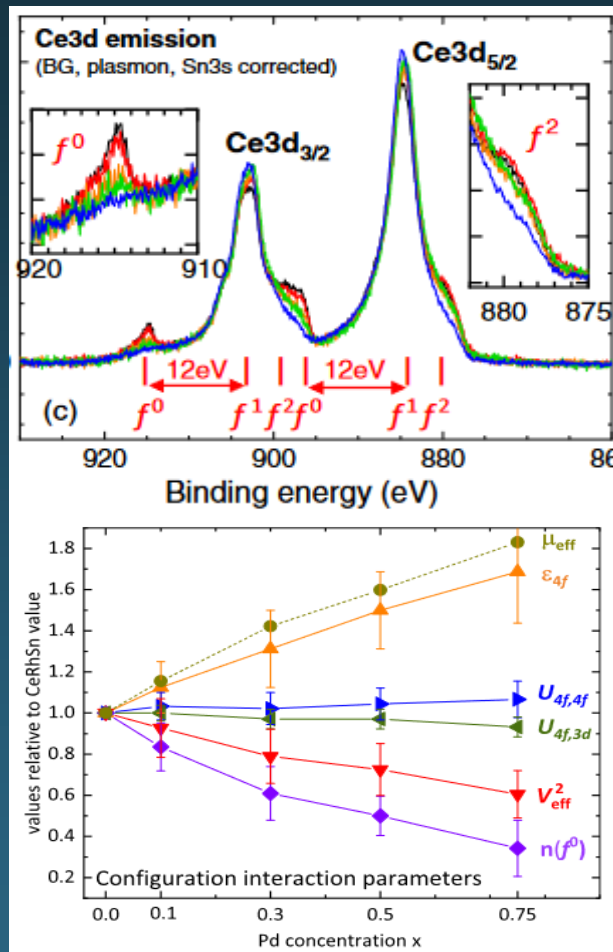
P22 via proposal
dedicated UHV chamber for U cleaving



The new dedicated HAXPES beamline P22 at PETRA III

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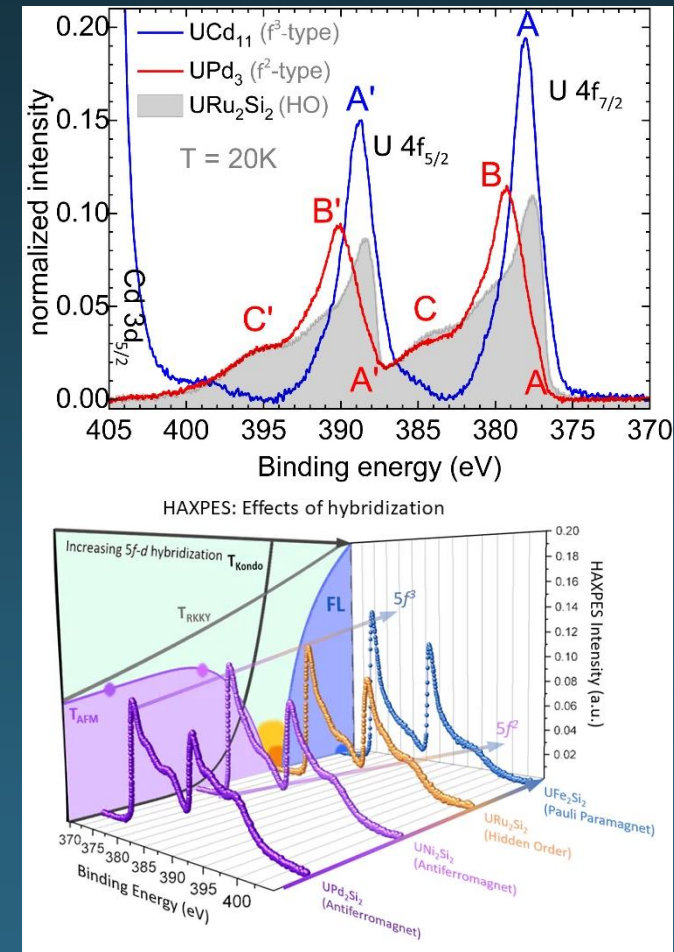


Intermediate valence in rare earth intermetallics

Gunnarson Schönhammer model yields CI parameters!!

PRB 104, 235150 (2021)

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Uranium intermetallics

Valence change across the phase diagram!!

A. Amorese *et al*, PNAS 117, 30220 (2020)

Saxony-DESY cooperation workshop 2023

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NIXS: Unique insights to matter (part 2)

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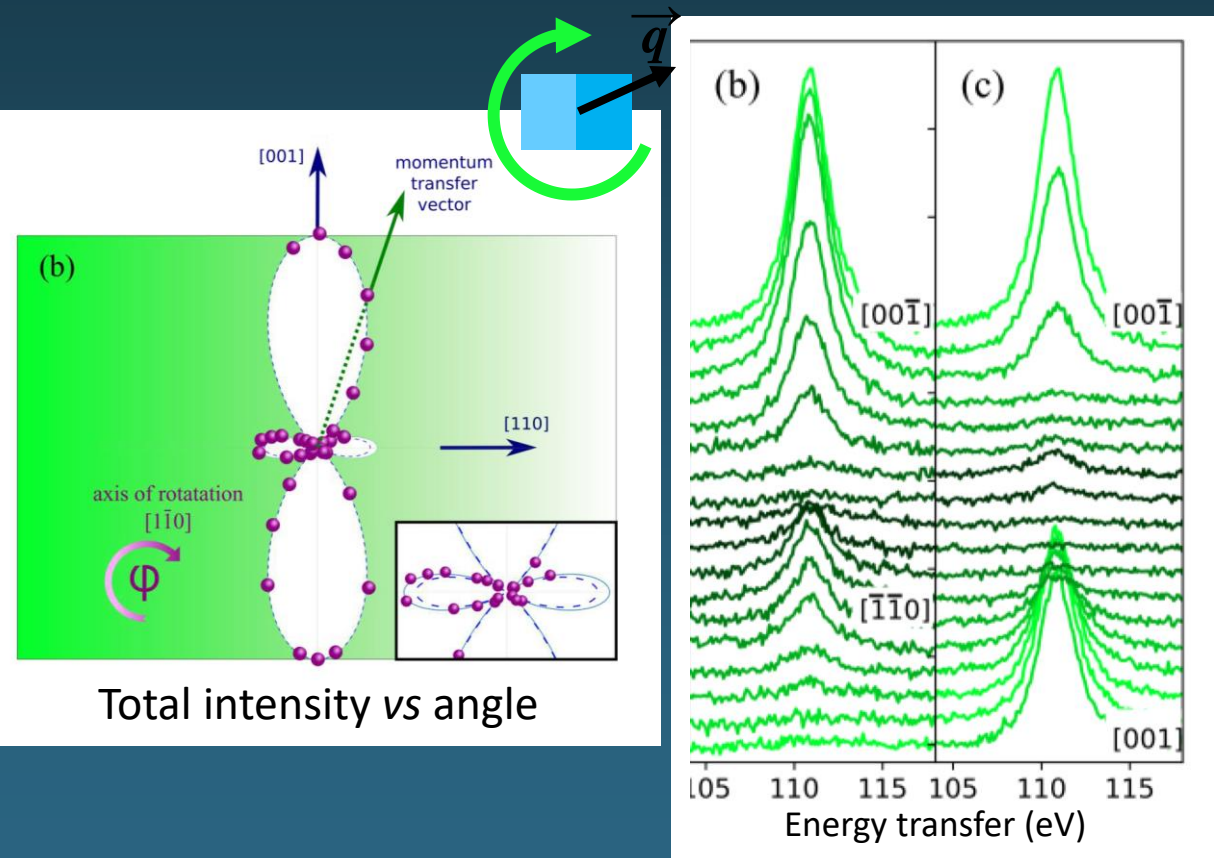
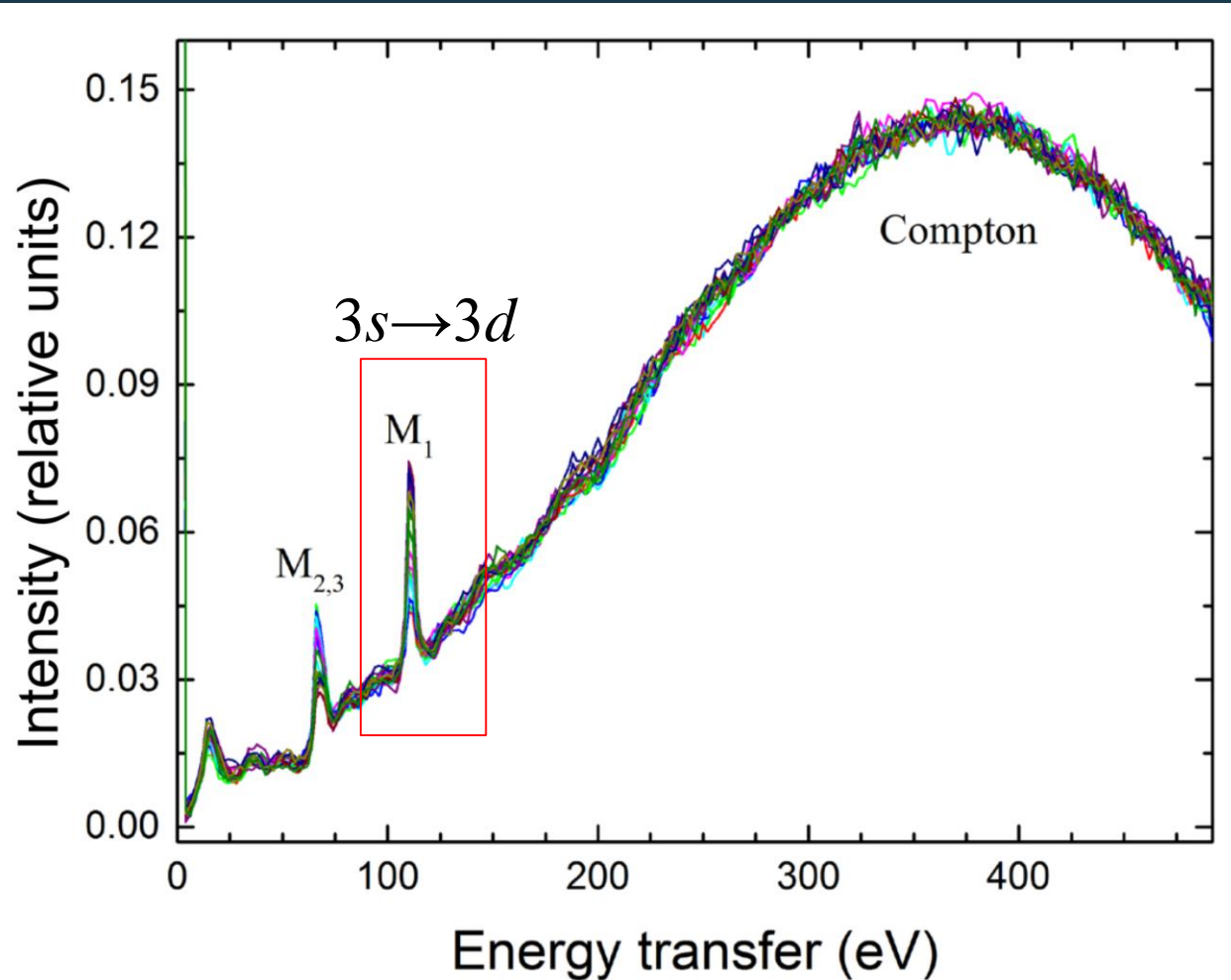
→ Unique new view on matter

Now: Direct imaging of orbitals

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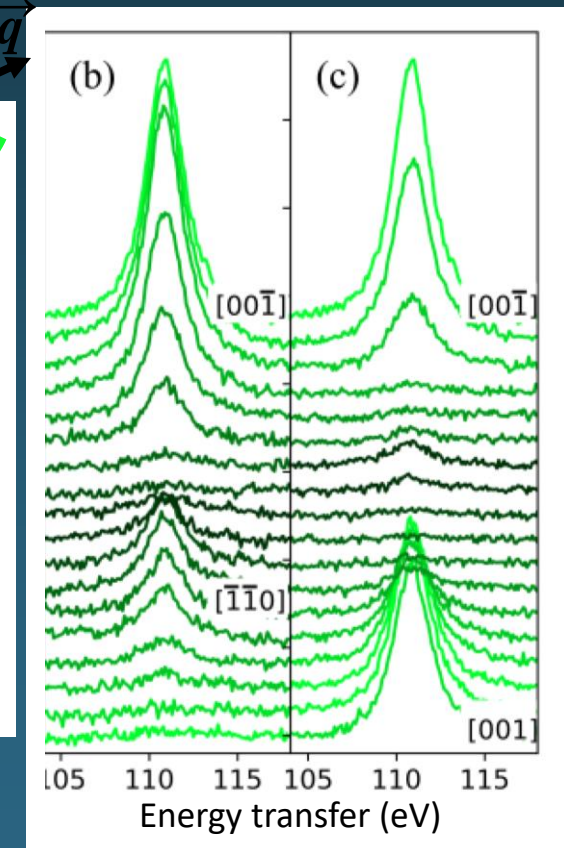
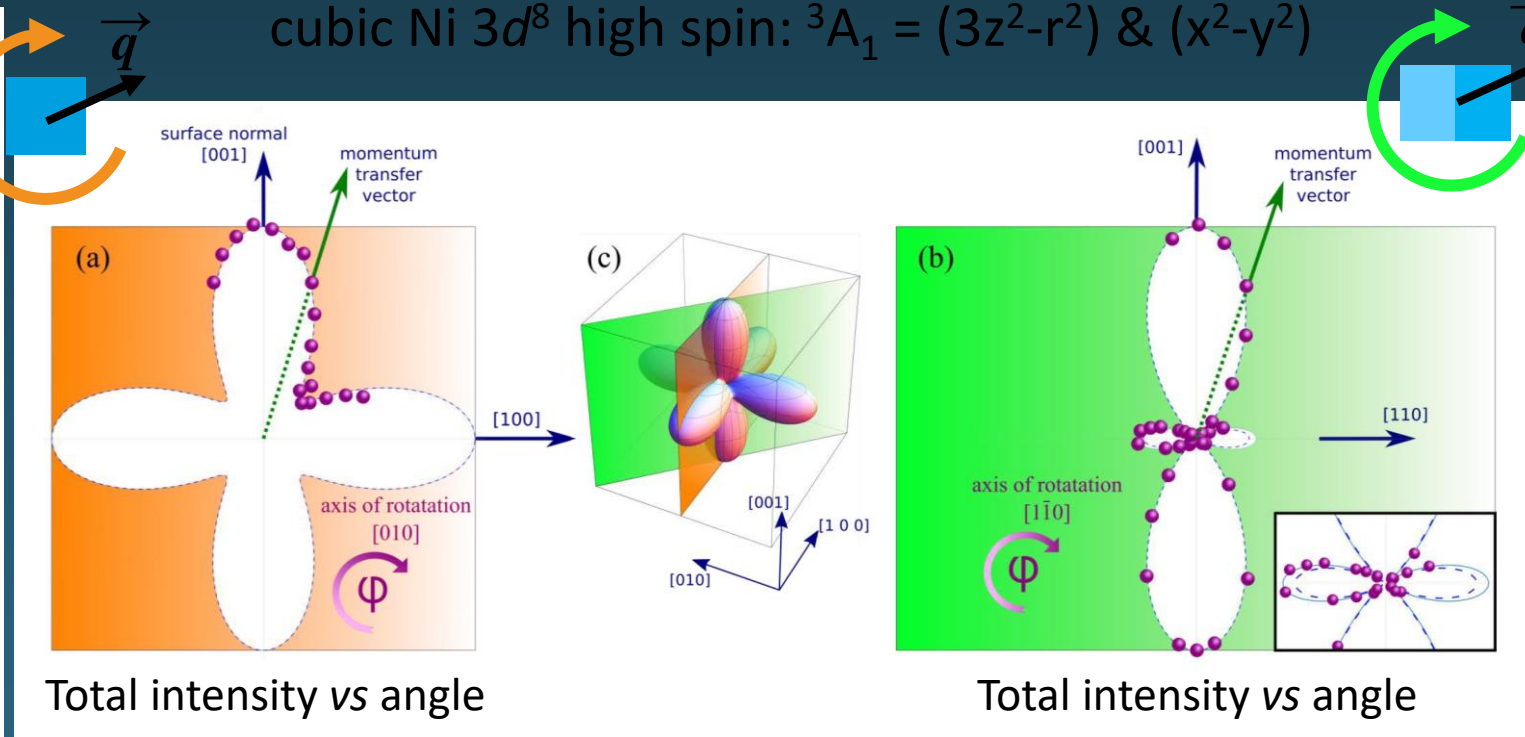
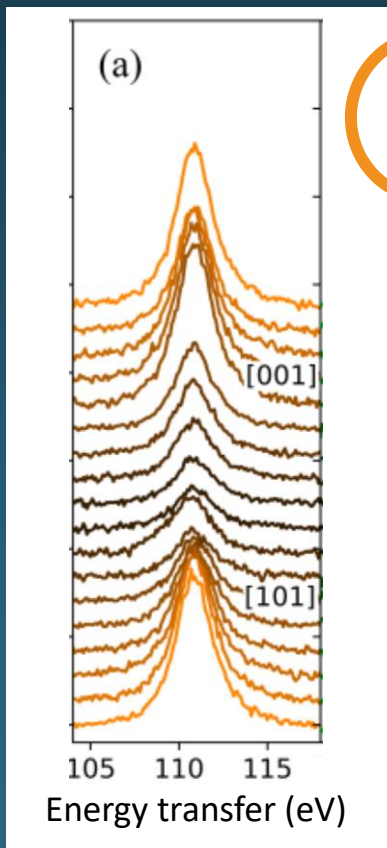
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s-NIXS on transition metal (TM) oxides: direct imaging of orbitals



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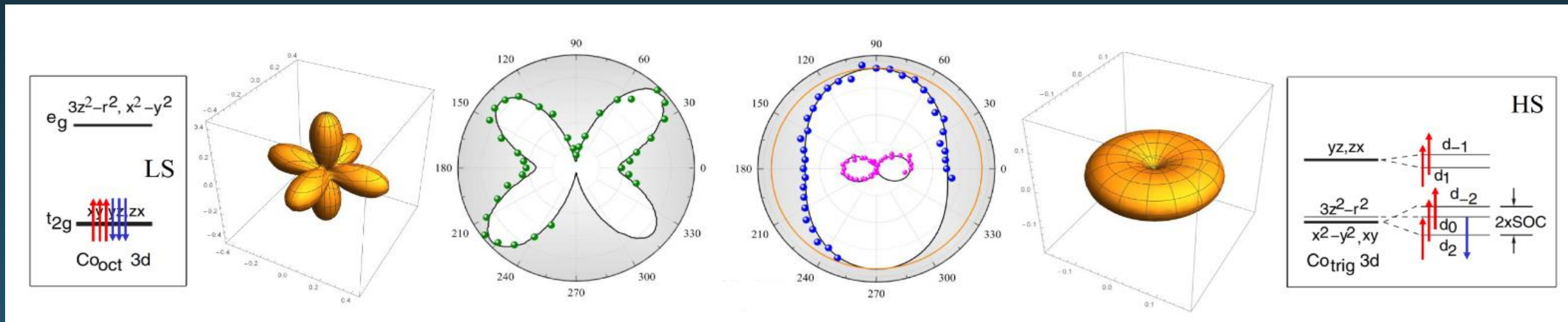
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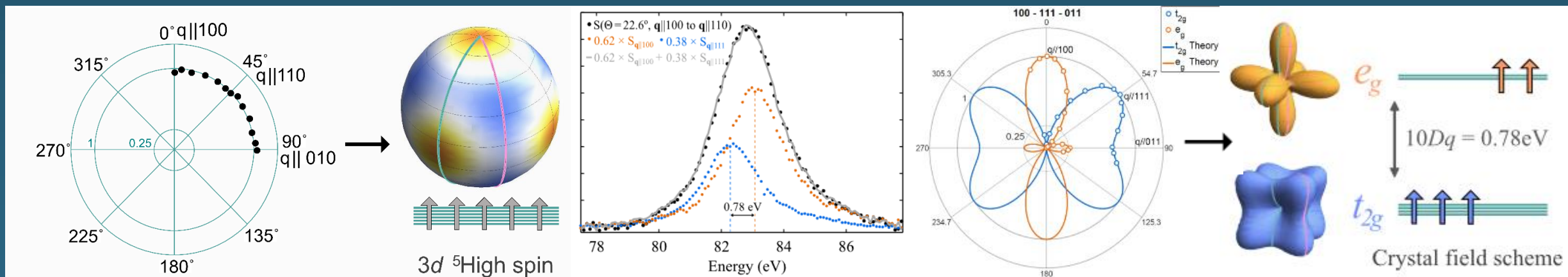
H. Yavas *et al.*, *Nature Physics* 15, 559 (2019)

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Leedahl *et al.*, *Nat. Comm.* **10**, 5447 (2019)

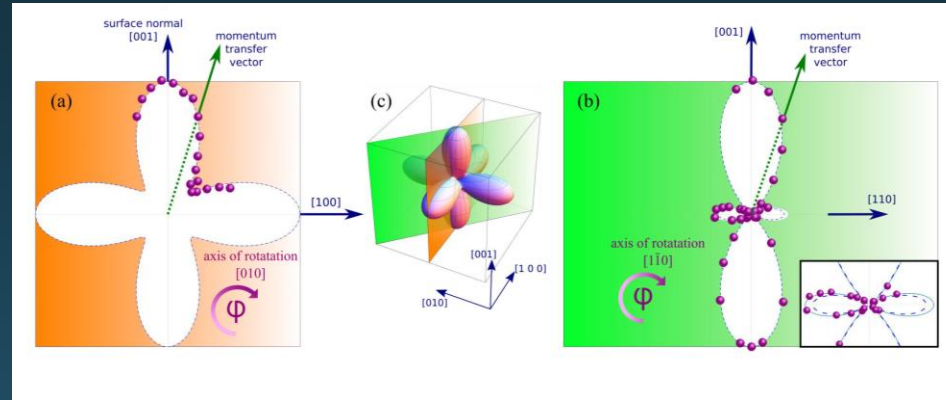


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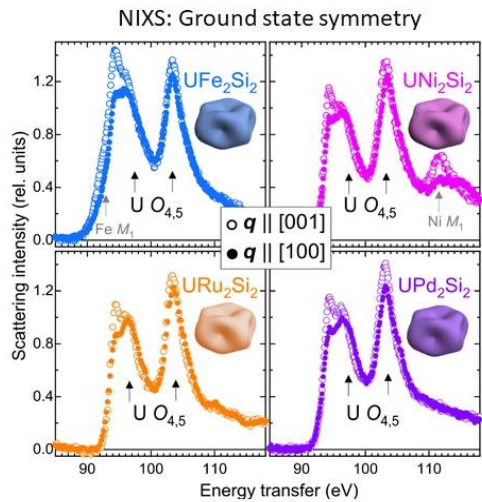
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New method: s-NIXS:
direct imaging of charge densities
without sophisticated modeling

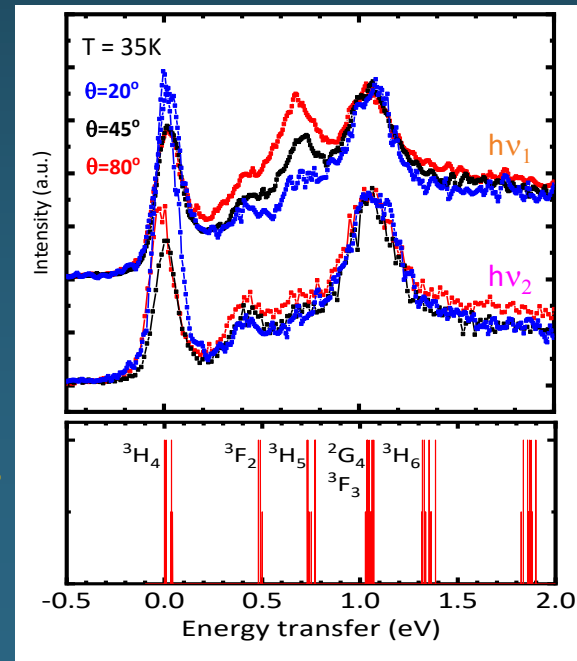


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NIXS of Co $L_{2,3}$ in DAC

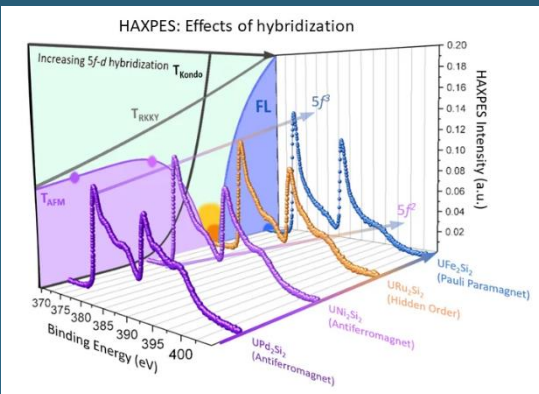


NIXS: Spectroscopy beyond dipole:
Ground state symmetry beyond 2-fold
Multiplets in metallic U compounds
No cleaving

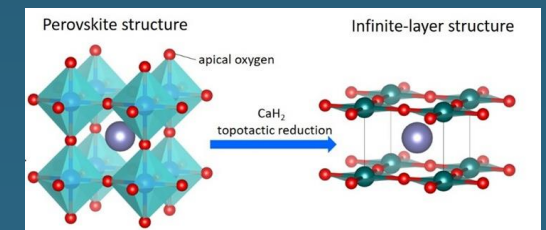


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Low energy excitations

HAXPES:
Intermediate valence
4f: configuration interaction model



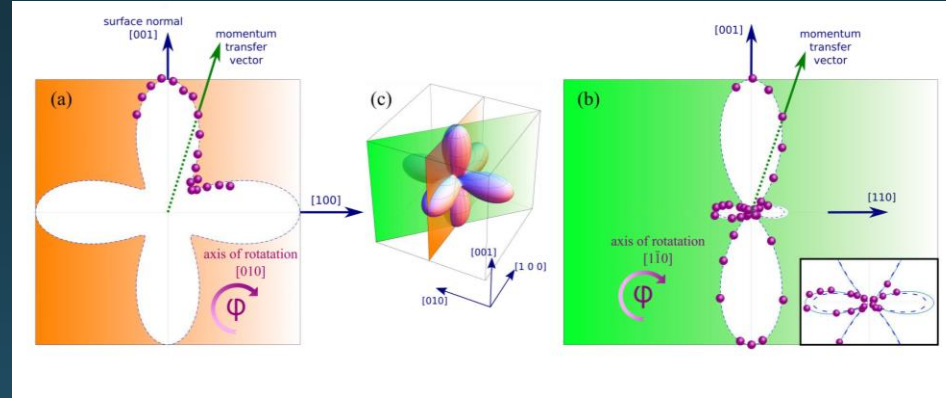
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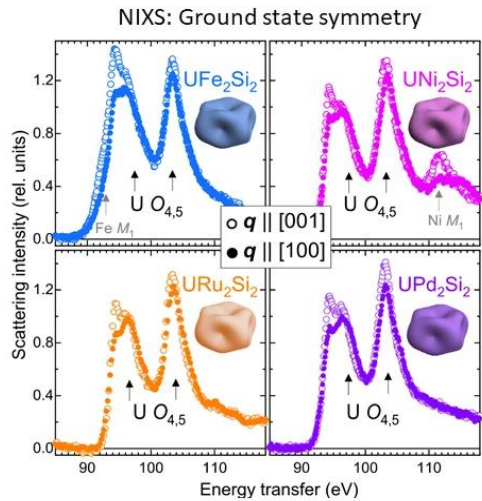
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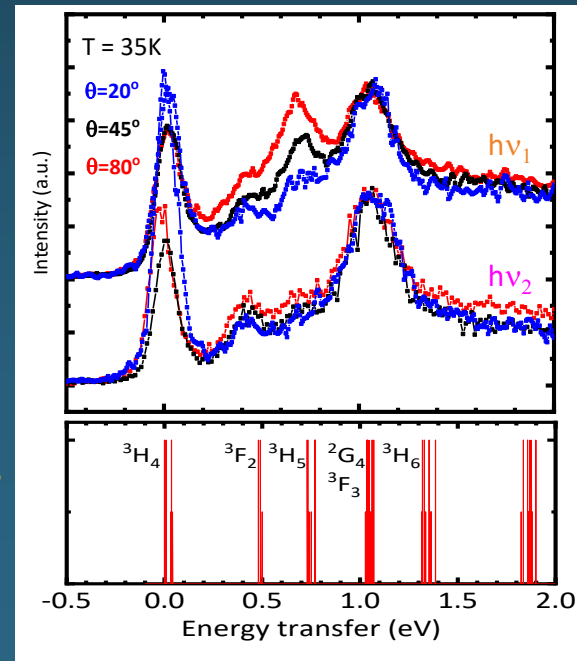


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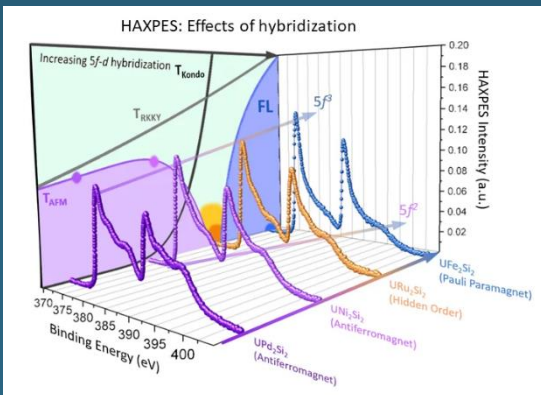
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