

Electronic topology and correlations in kagome metals

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- **Part 1** – Topological Dirac fermions and flat bands in kagome metals
- **Part 2** – van Hove singularity and electronic symmetry breaking in kagome superconductor AV_3Sb_5

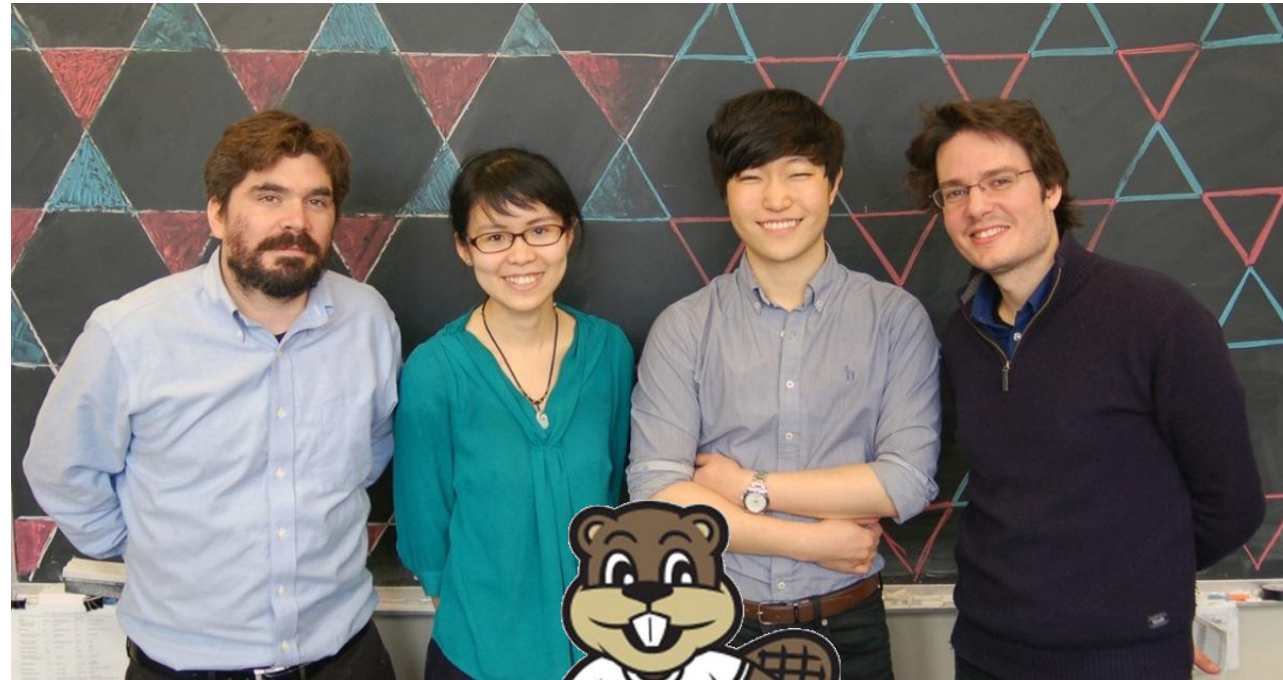
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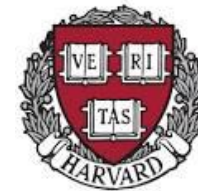


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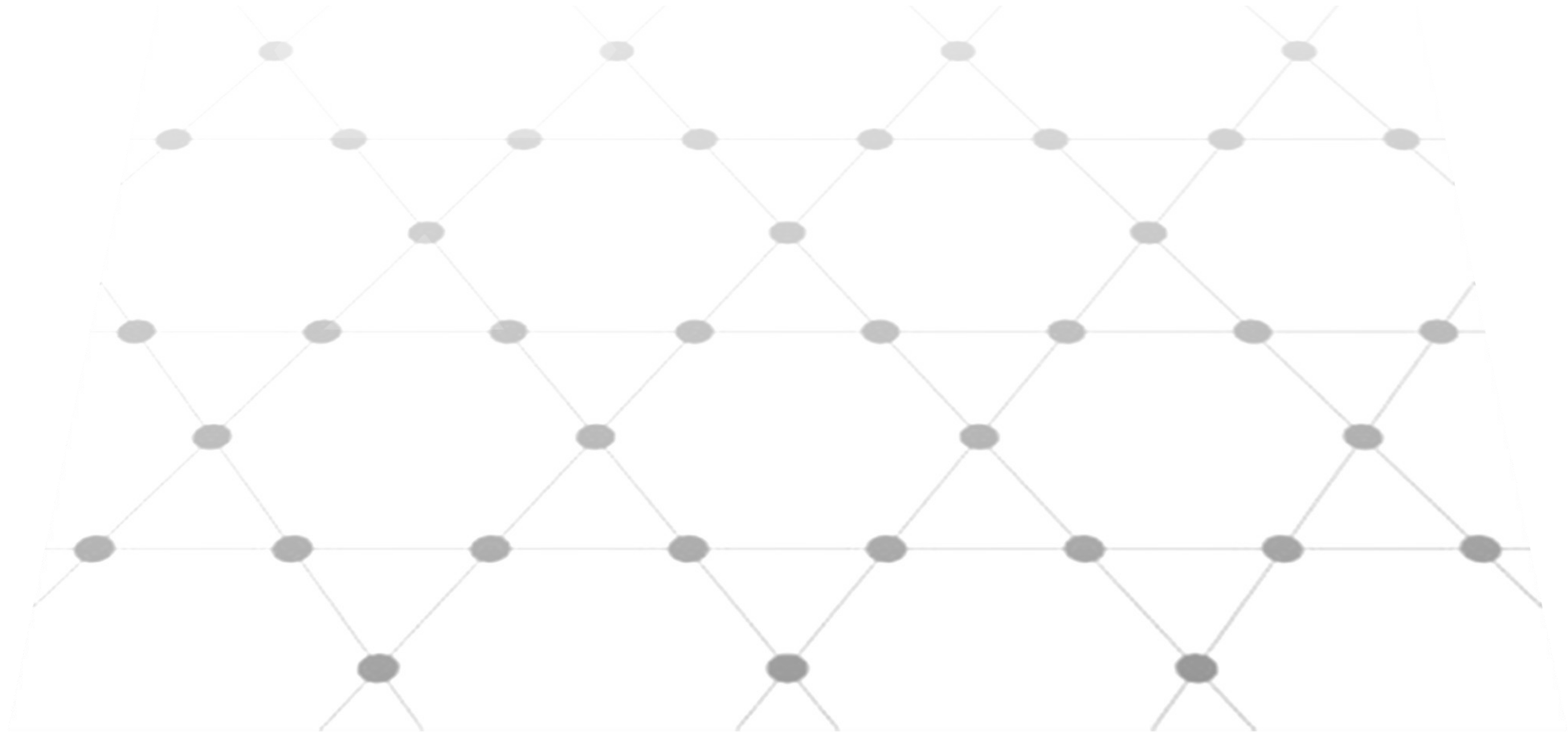
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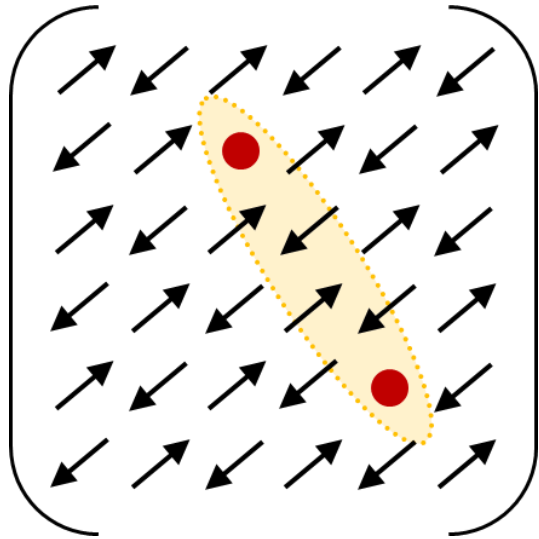
Introduction

Quantum matter phenomena and the kagome lattice



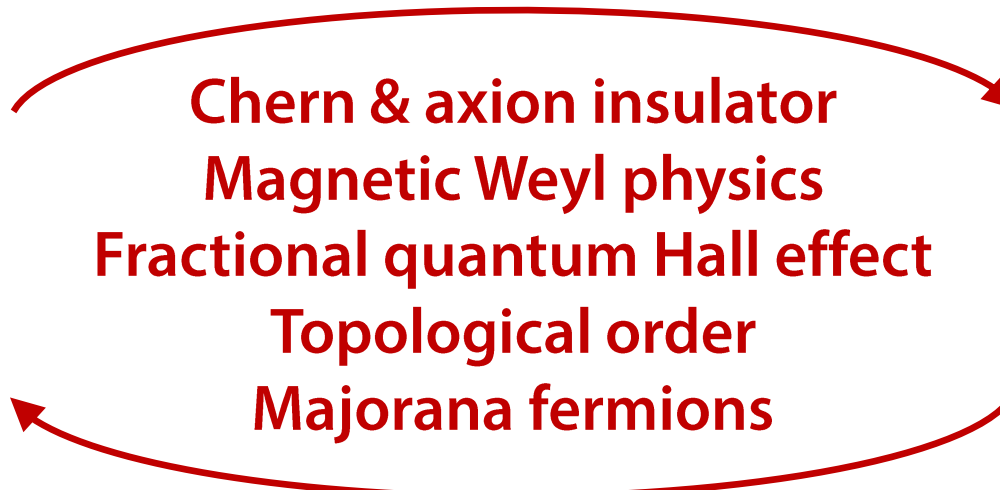
Motivation. New physics from topology + correlations

Electronic correlations



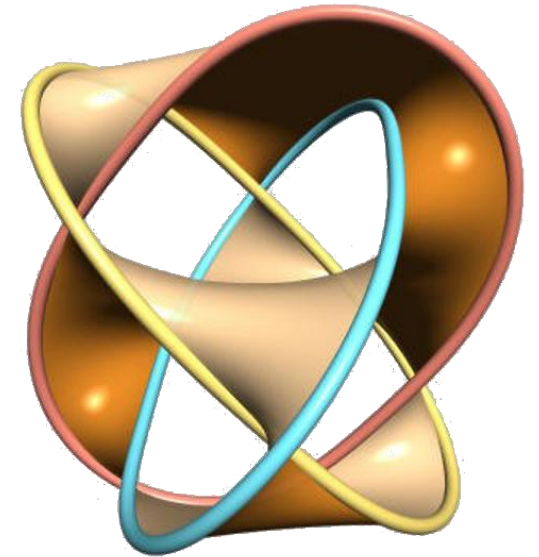
Mott insulator
Superconductivity
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Quantum matter



**Chern & axion insulator
Magnetic Weyl physics
Fractional quantum Hall effect
Topological order
Majorana fermions**

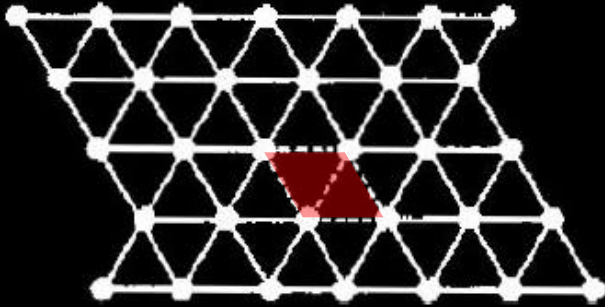
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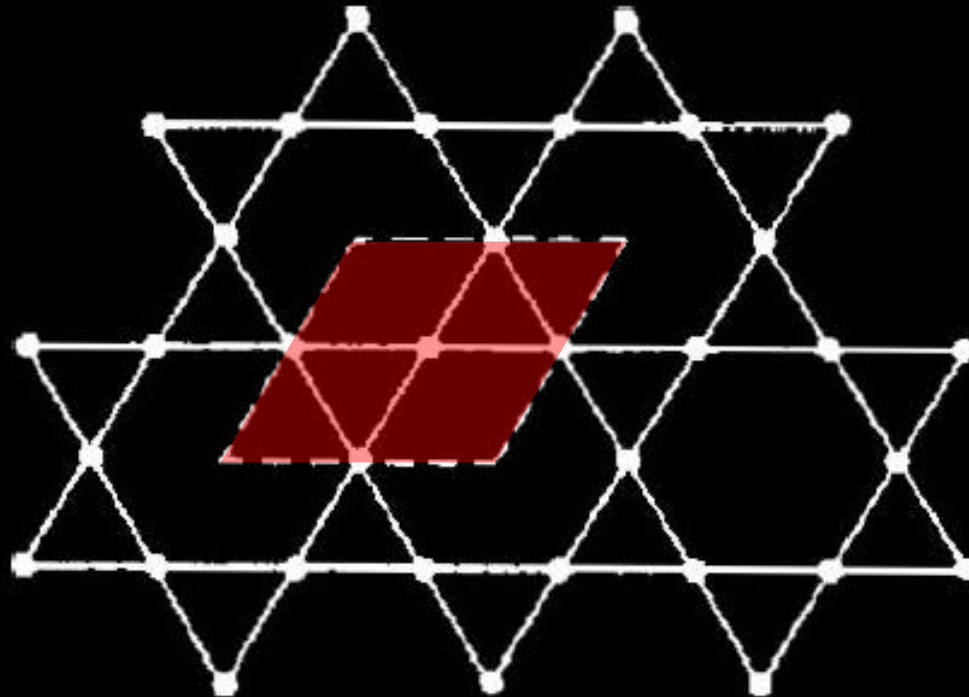
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3D TI
Weyl SM
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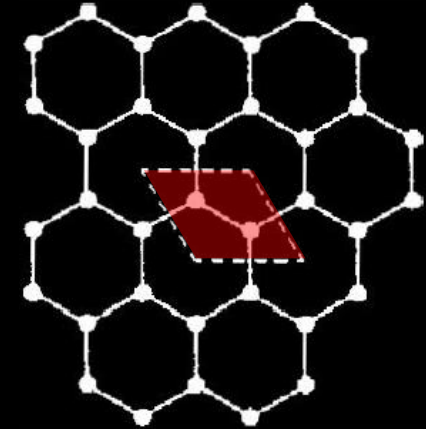
Triangular



Kagome



Honeycomb

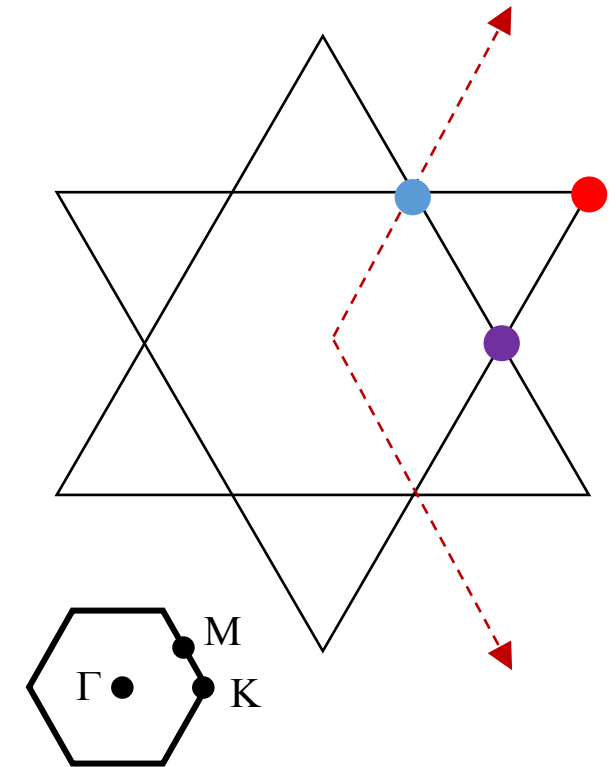
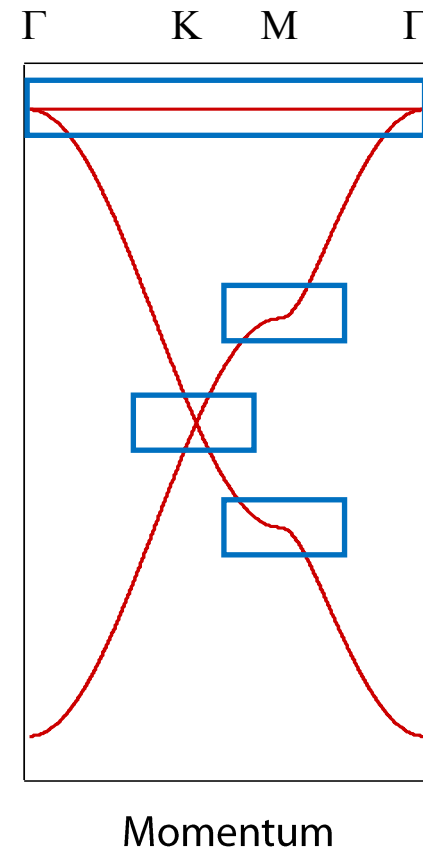
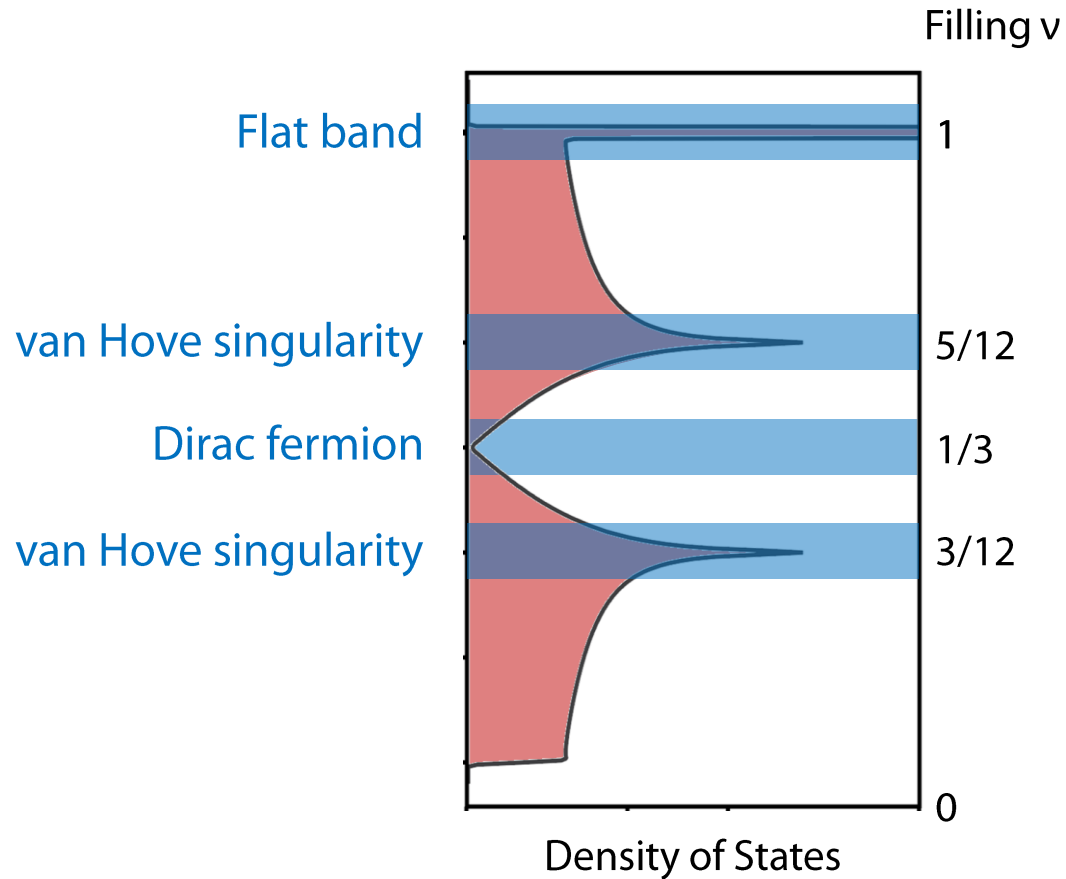


Japanese basket weaving pattern



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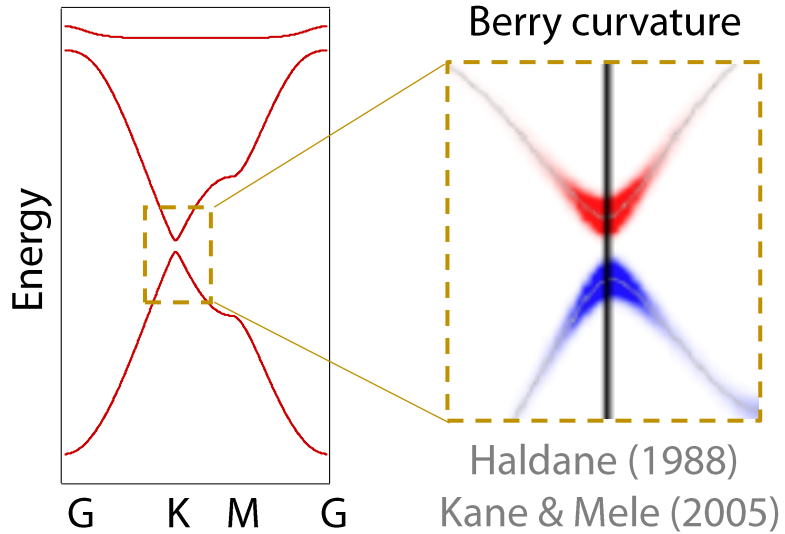
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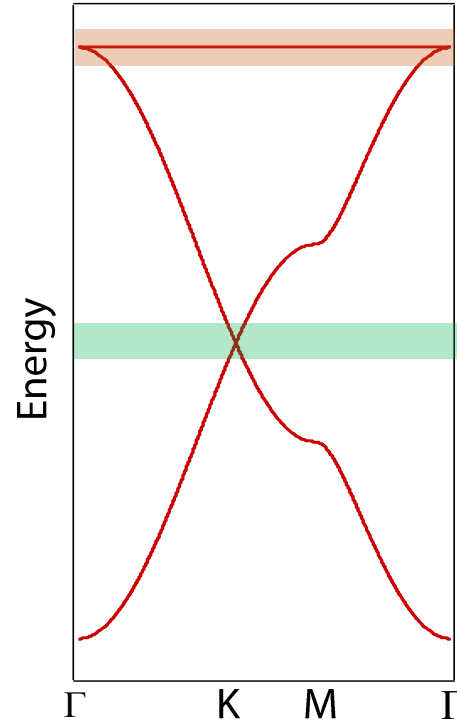
Dirac fermions + vHS + **flat band**

Intro. The 2D kagome net as a new platform for quantum matter

Nontrivial topology



Kagome lattice



Chern physics

Fe_3Sn_2 , TbMn_6Sn_6

Magnetic Weyl fermions

Mn_3Sn , $\text{Co}_3\text{Sn}_2\text{S}_2$

Topological flat bands

(Co,Fe)Sn

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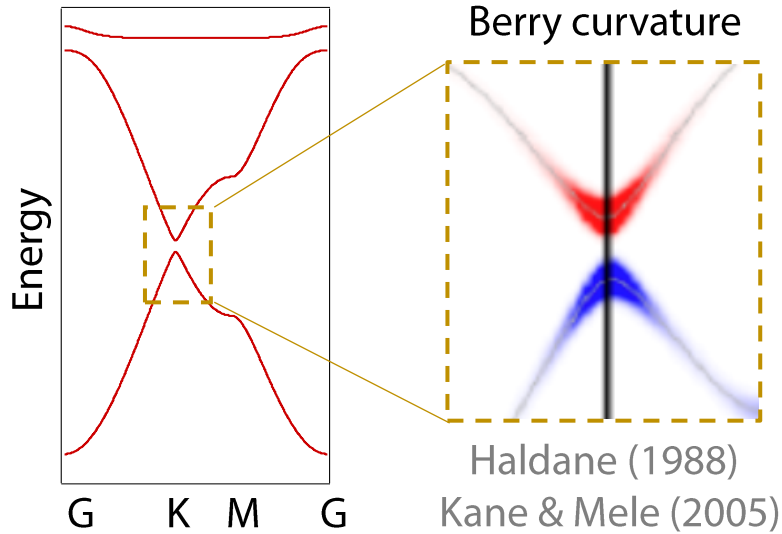
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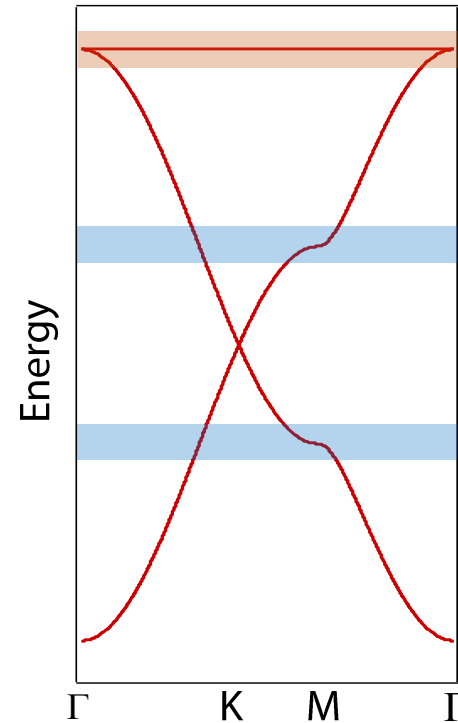
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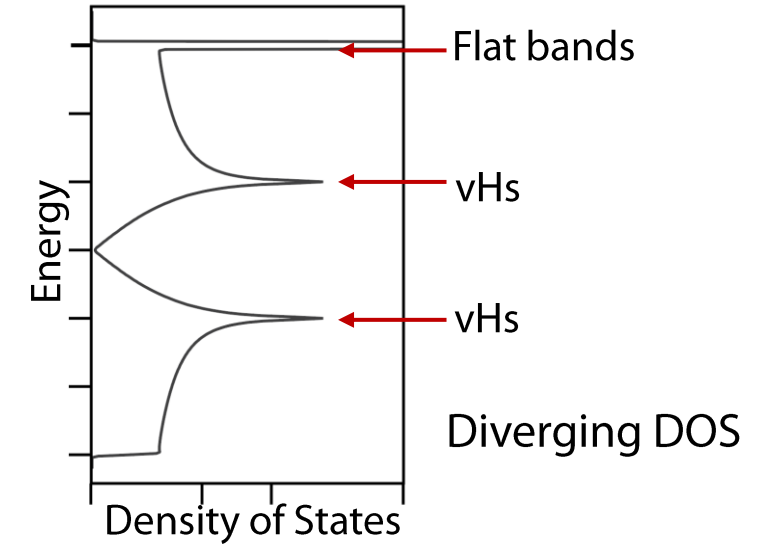
← + SOC

Kagome lattice



Electronic symmetry breaking

→ Filling control



AV_3Sb_5 (A = K, Rb, Cs)

B. R. Ortiz *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **125**, 247002 (2020)

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Orbital order

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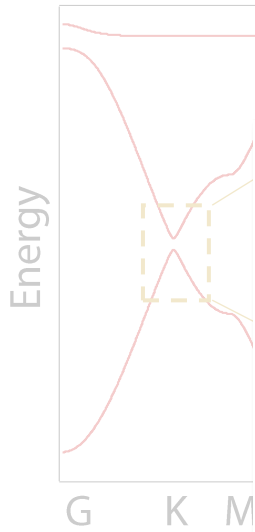
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Berry curvature

Flat bands

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High-Temperature Fractional Quantum Hall States

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We show that a suitable combination of geometric frustration, ferromagnetism, and spin-orbit interactions can give rise to nearly flatbands with a large band gap and nonzero Chern number. Partial filling of the flatband can give rise to **fractional quantum Hall states at high temperatures** (maybe even room temperature). While the identification of material candidates with suitable parameters remains open, our work indicates intriguing directions for exploration and synthesis.

PRL **106**, 236802 (2011)

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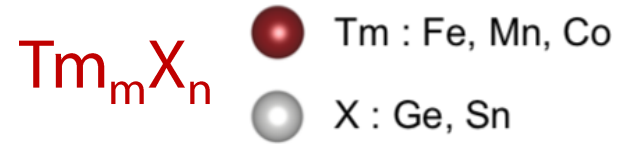
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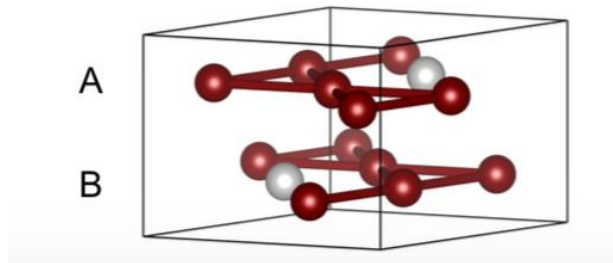
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Transition metal stannides

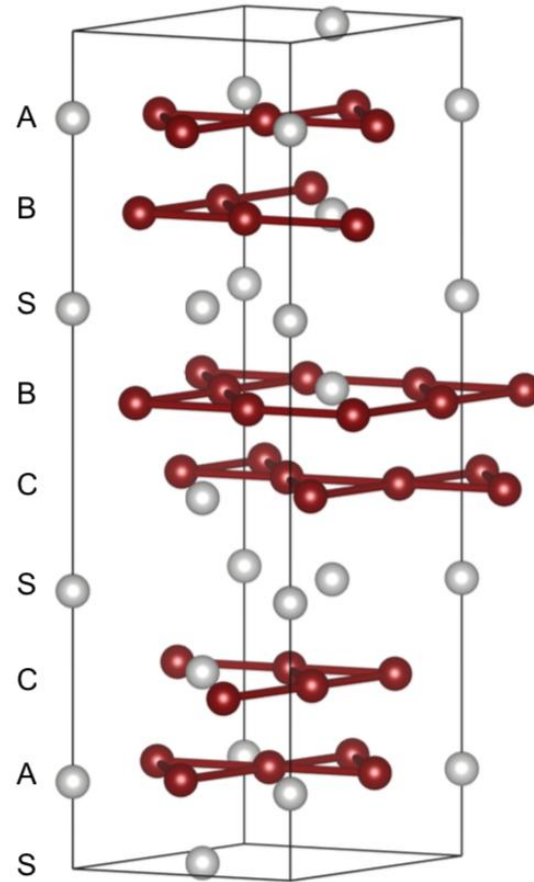


$m:n = 3:1$



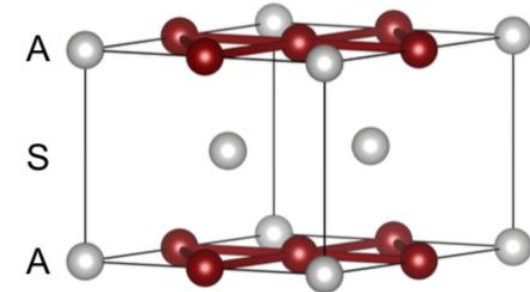
Strong
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coupling

$m:n = 3:2$



Bulk stacking of kagome layers

$m:n = 1:1 (3:3)$

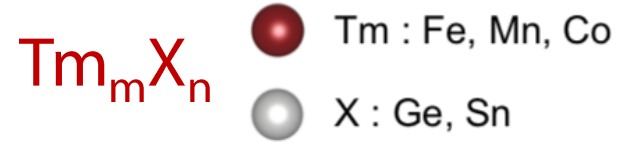


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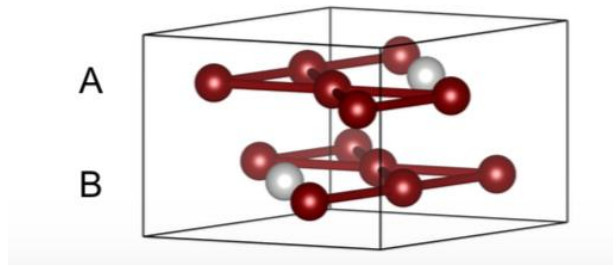


Intro. Materials hosts for the 2D kagome network

Transition metal stannides



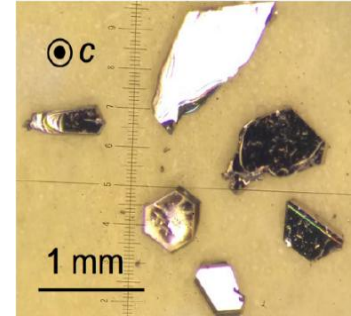
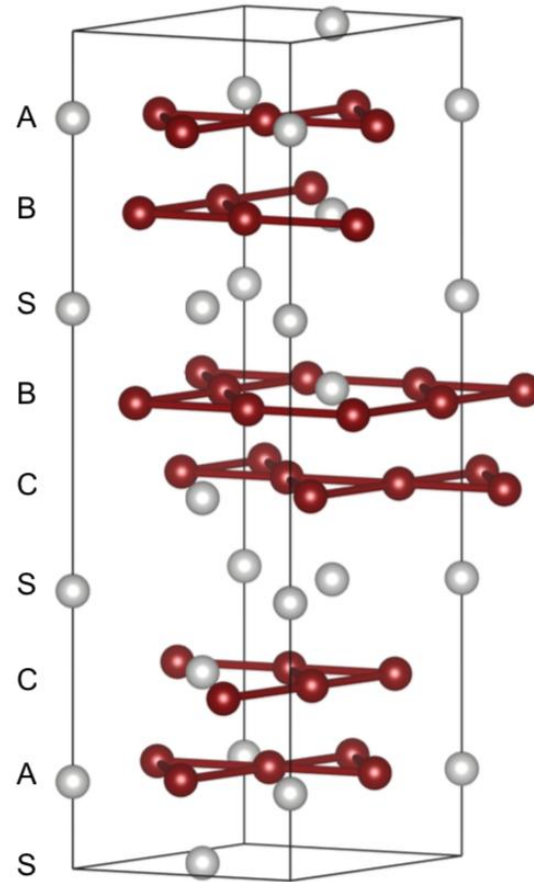
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Mn_3Sn
noncollinear AFM

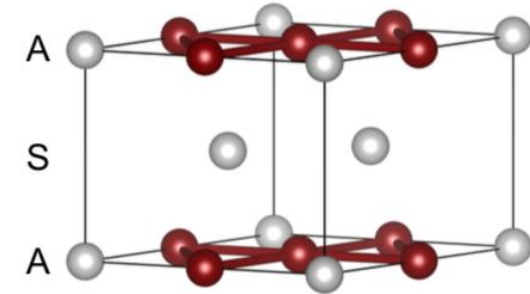


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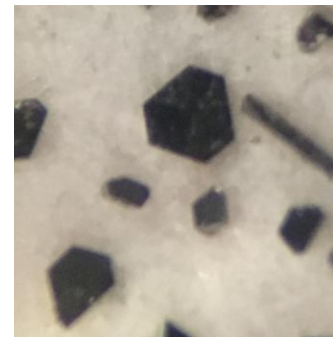


Fe_3Sn_2
collinear FM

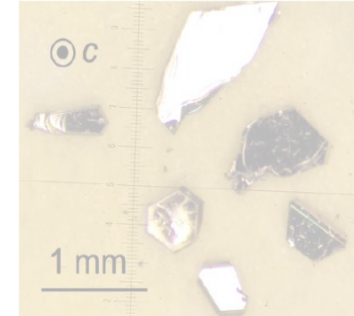
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$FeSn$
collinear AFM



Transition metal stannides



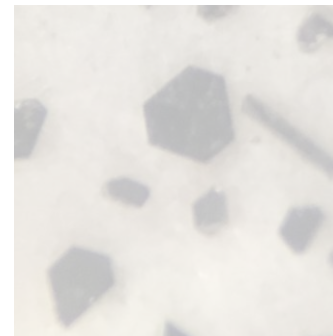
Fe_3Sn_2
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- Various form of intrinsic **magnetism** ✓
- **Spin-orbit coupling** from 3d-orbitals ✓
- **Intermediate** Coulomb interactions ✓

Mn_3Sn
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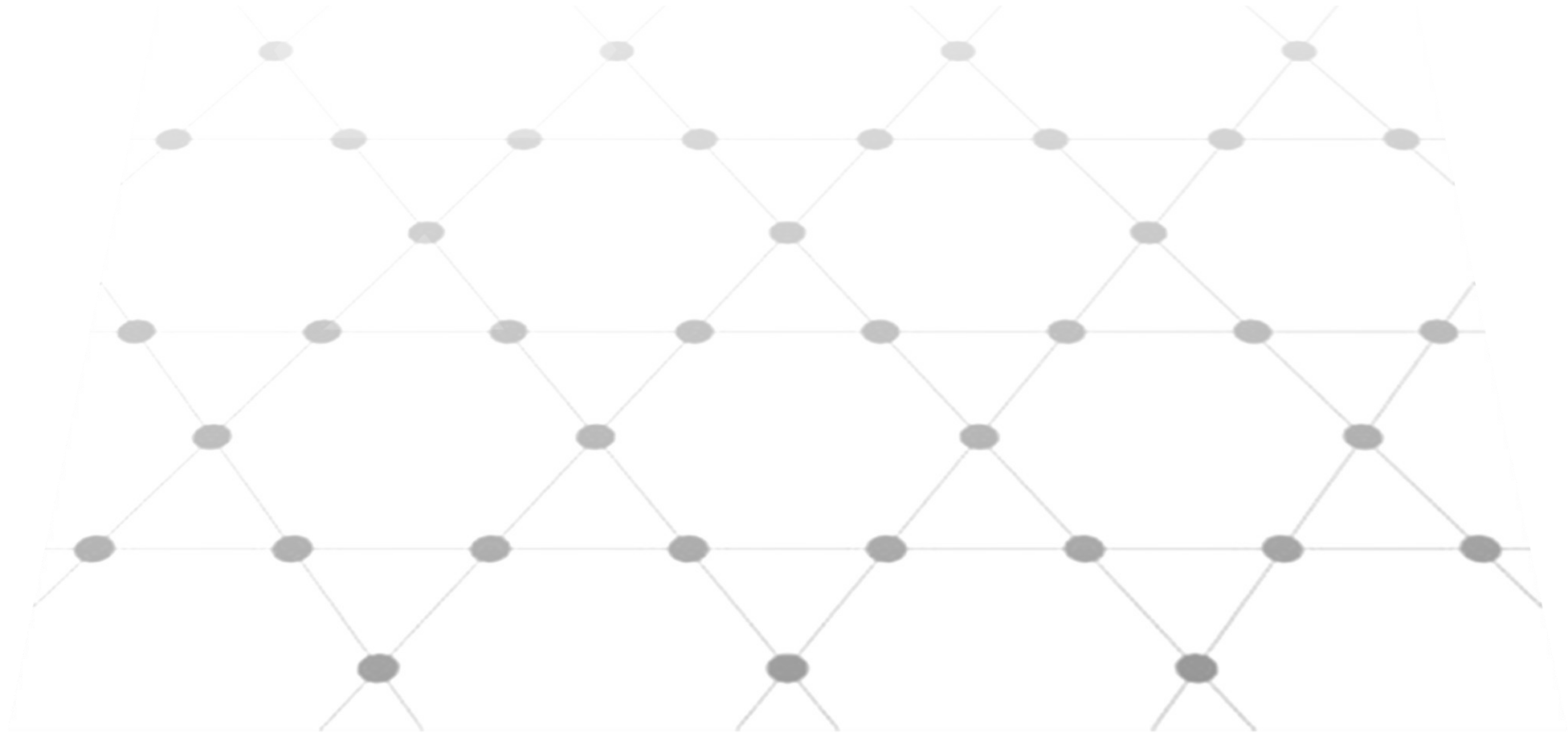


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Part 1

Topological Dirac fermions and flat bands in kagome metals

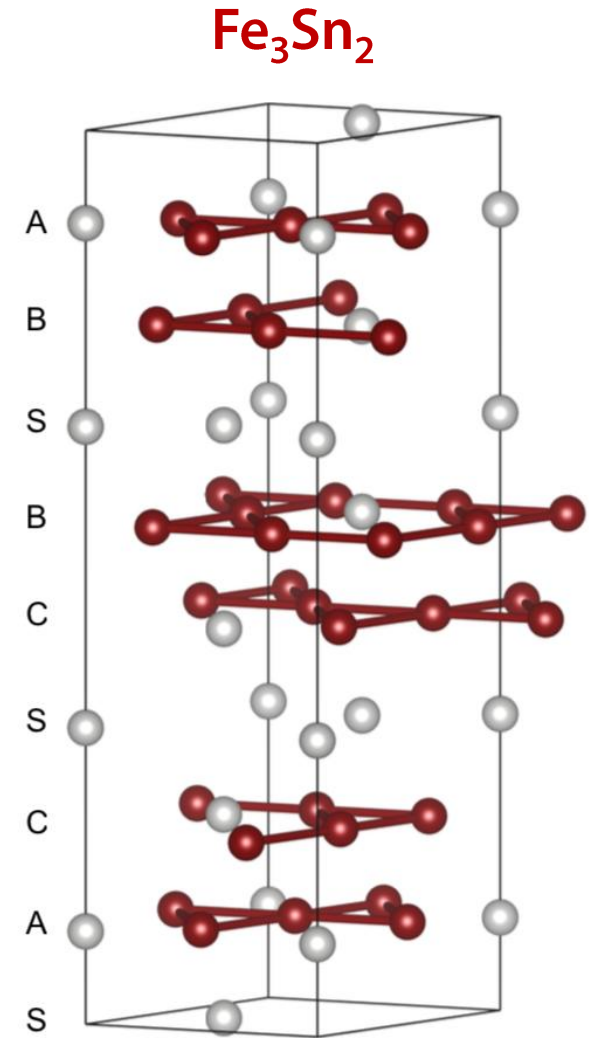
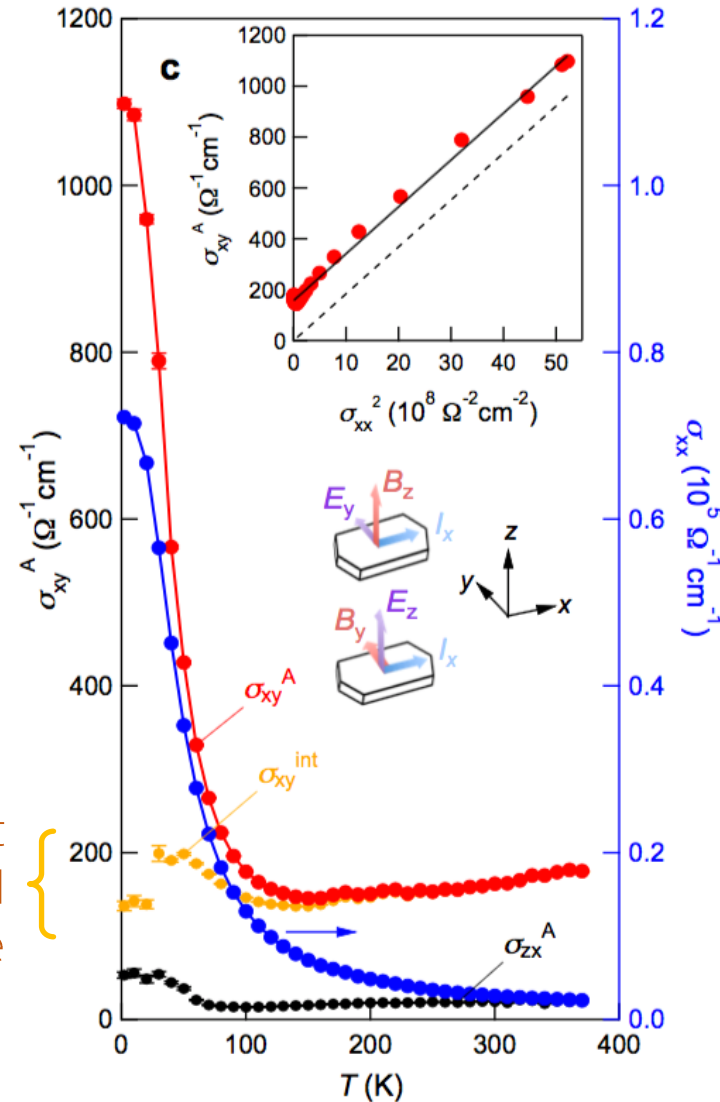


Transport signatures of topology in kagome metal Fe_3Sn_2

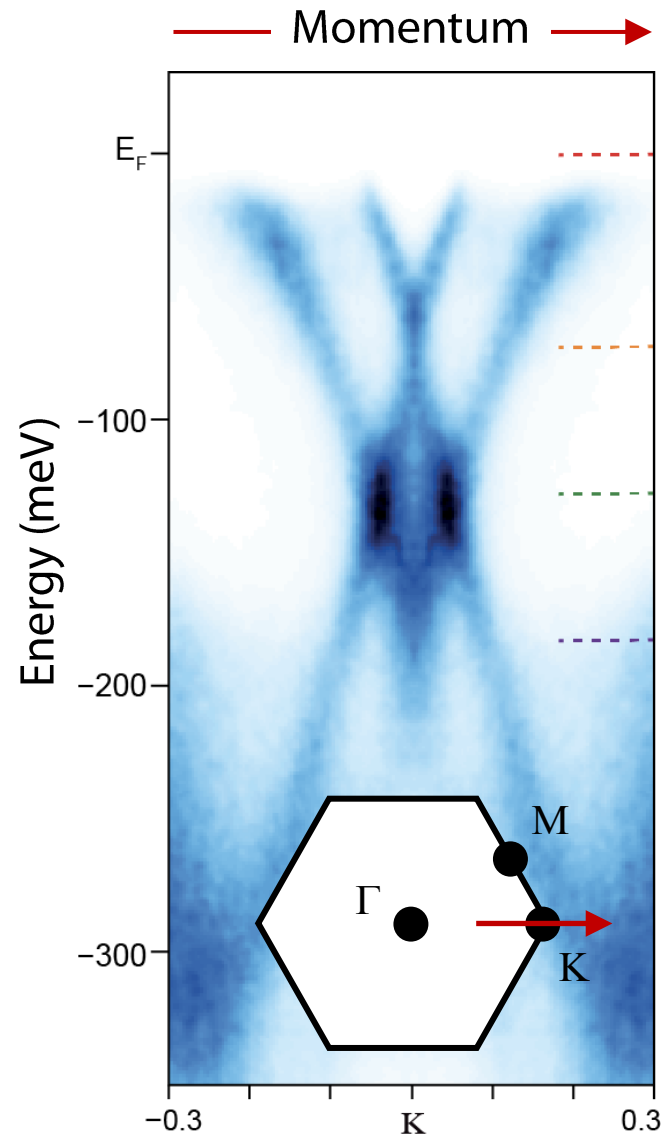
It all started with some interesting magnetotransport data...
(Checkelsky lab)

A possible manifestation of band topology?

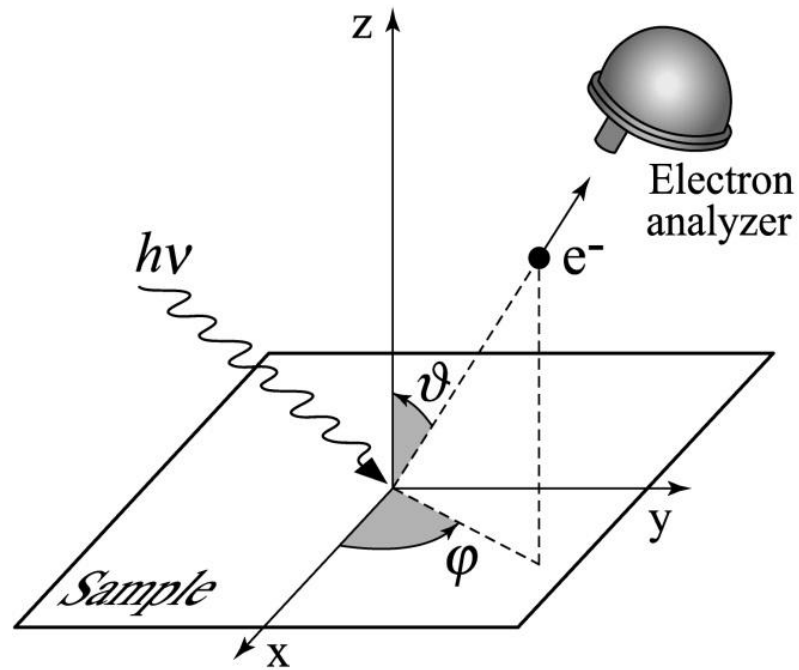
Temperature-independent intrinsic anomalous Hall conductance



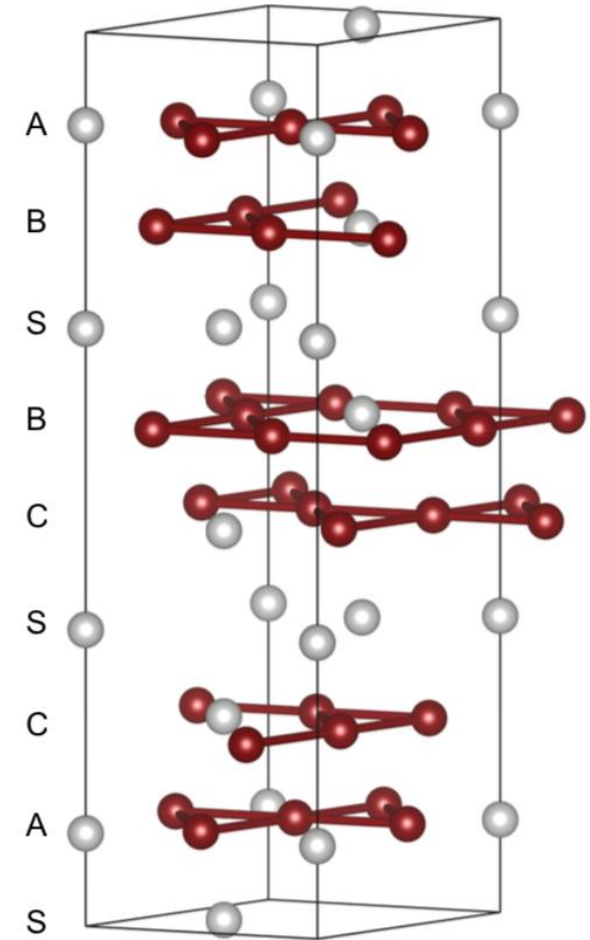
Observation of Massive Dirac fermions in Fe_3Sn_2



Angle-resolved Photoemission Spectroscopy (ARPES)



Fe_3Sn_2



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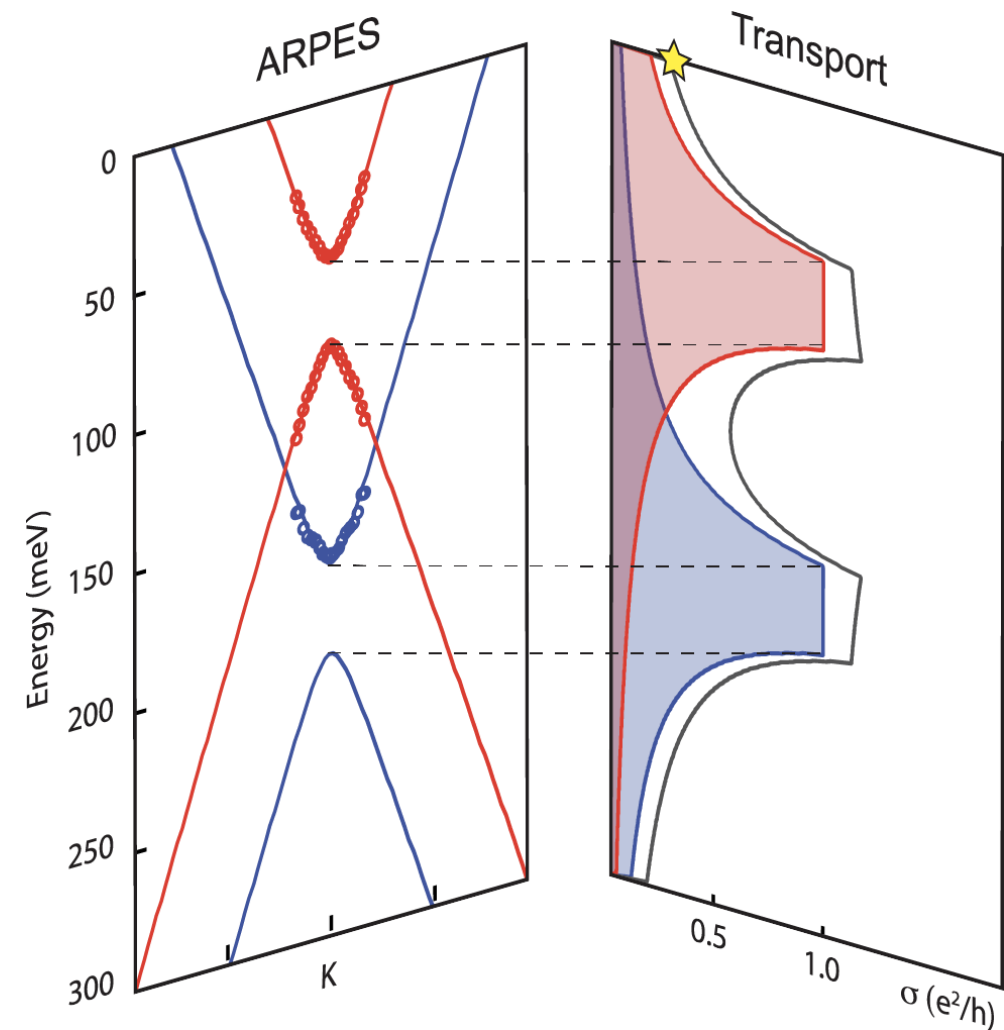
Calculating AHC from experimental band structures

$k \cdot p$ Hamiltonian: $H_D = [\hbar v_F(k_x \sigma_y - k_y \sigma_x)] \otimes I + E_0 \tau_x + m \sigma_z$

Calculated AHC:
$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{e^2}{2h} \frac{\Delta/2}{\sqrt{((\Delta/2))^2 + (\hbar v_F k_F)^2}}$$

With input from exp. band structure: $\sigma_{xy}^{cal} = 0.31 e^2/h$

Close agreement to transport value: $\sigma_{xy}^{int} = 0.27 e^2/h$

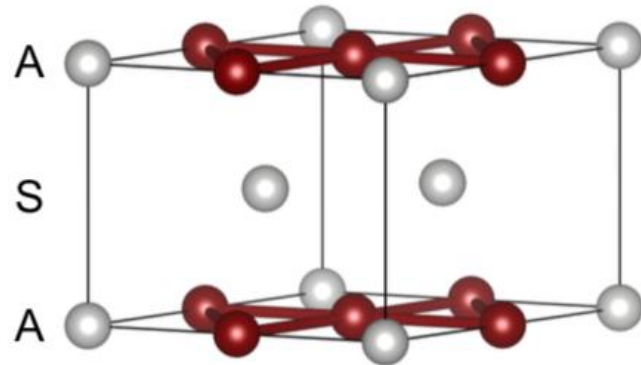


Chemical potential tuning via electron filling

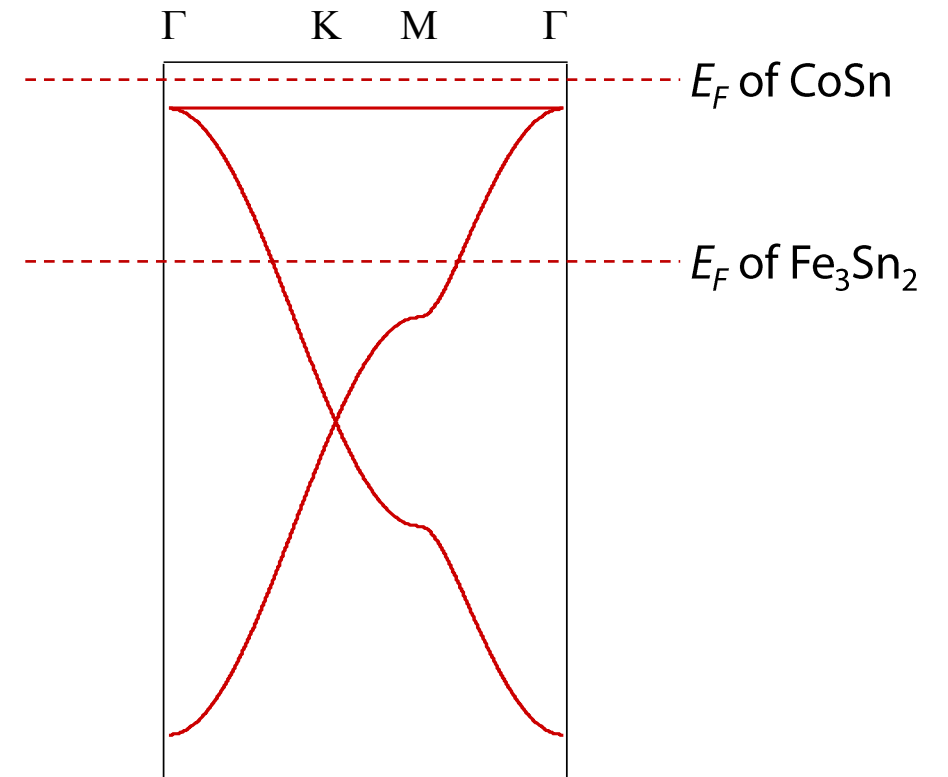
1. Simplest structure with isolated 2D kagome layers



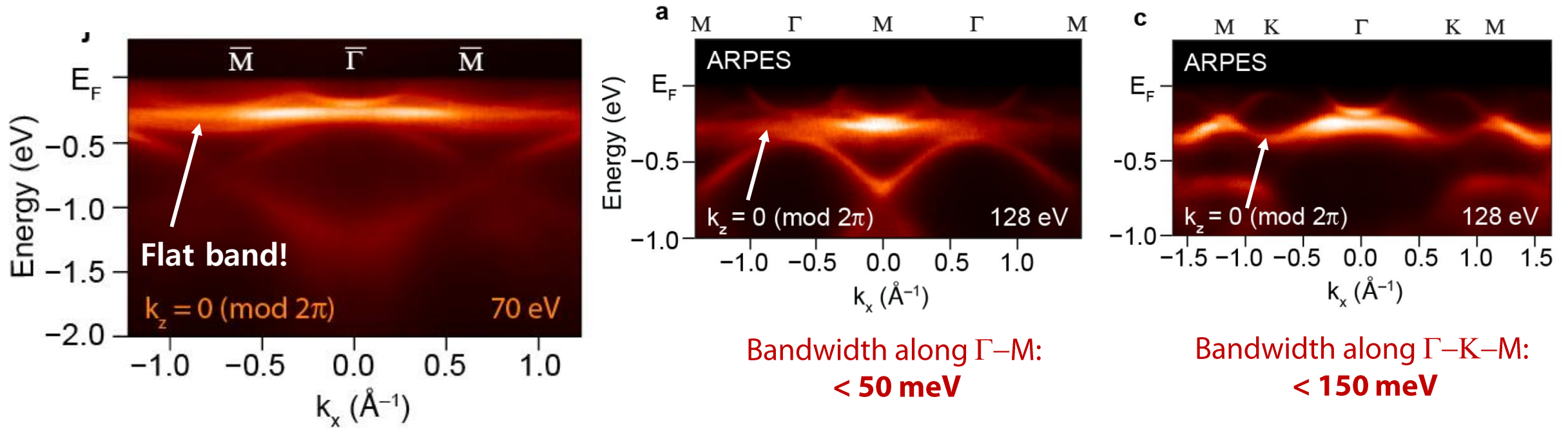
2. Fermi level tuning (electron filling)



CoSn



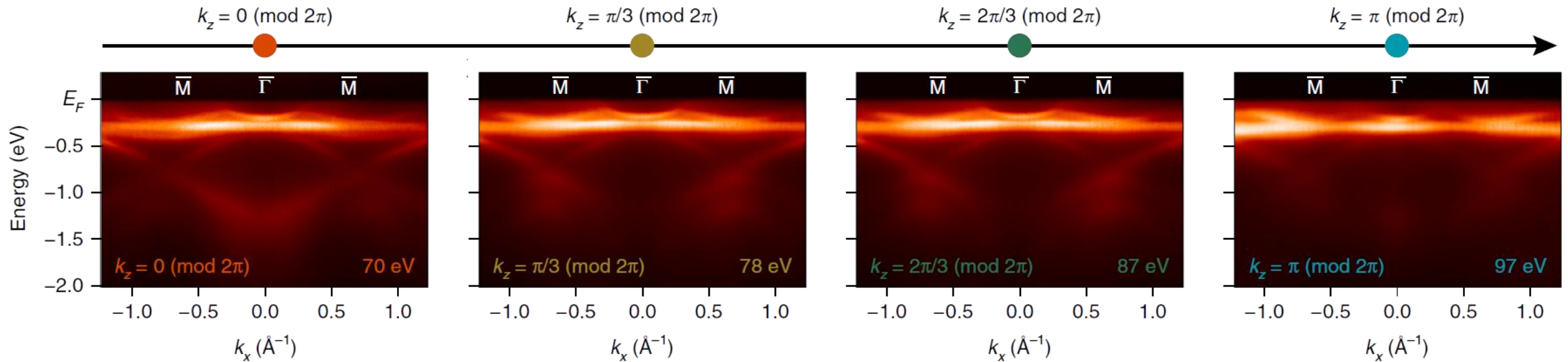
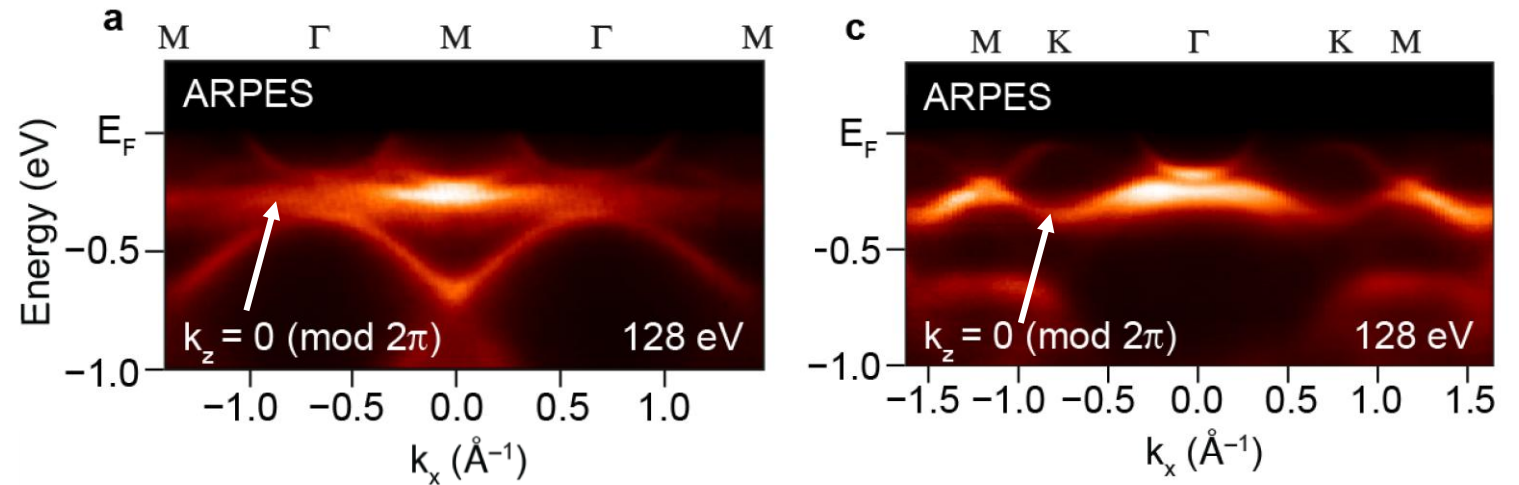
Topological flat bands in CoSn



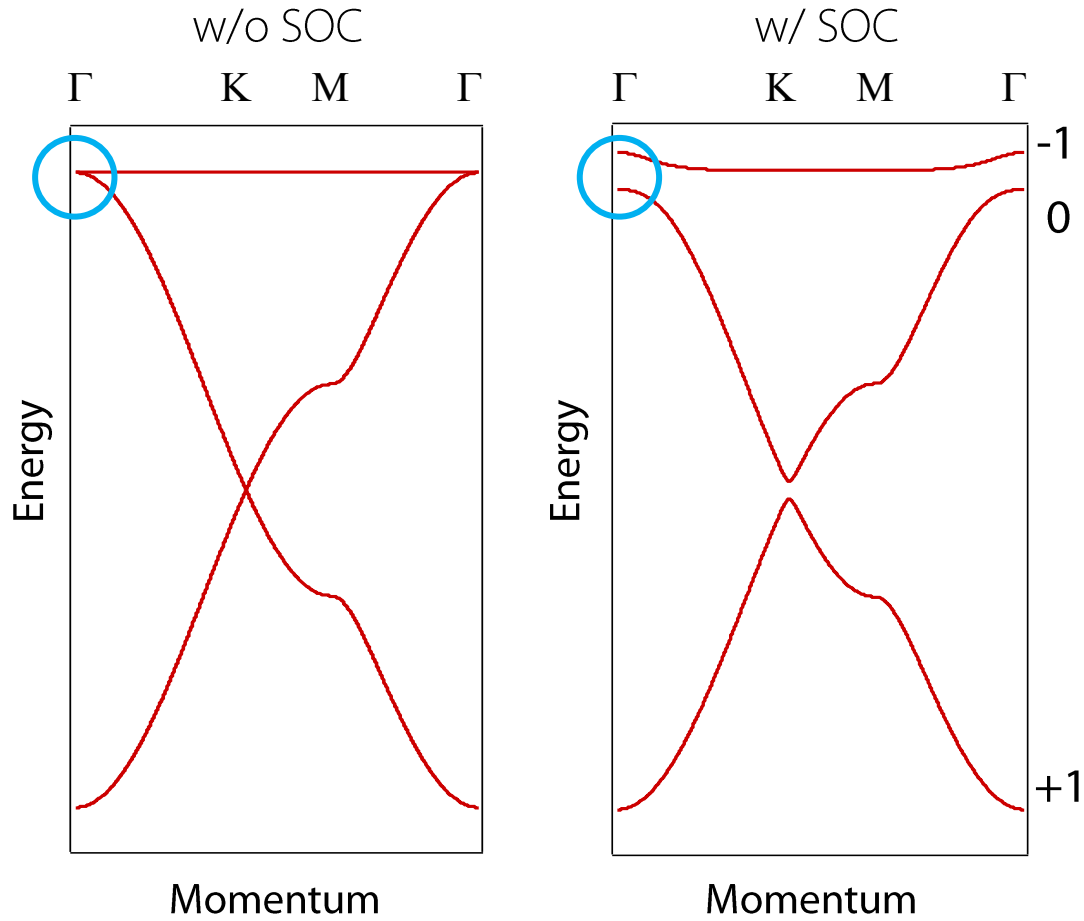
- We could **directly observe the flat band** near the Fermi level at the -0.27 eV binding energy
- Flat band **acquires small dispersion only near the K point** (likely due to NNN hopping).

Topological flat bands in CoSn

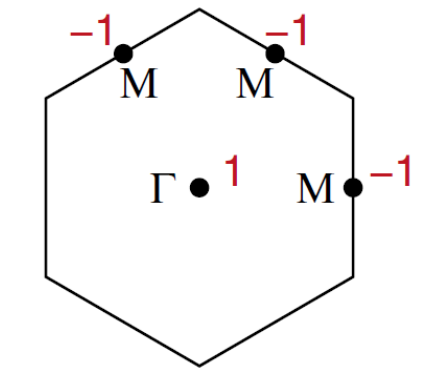
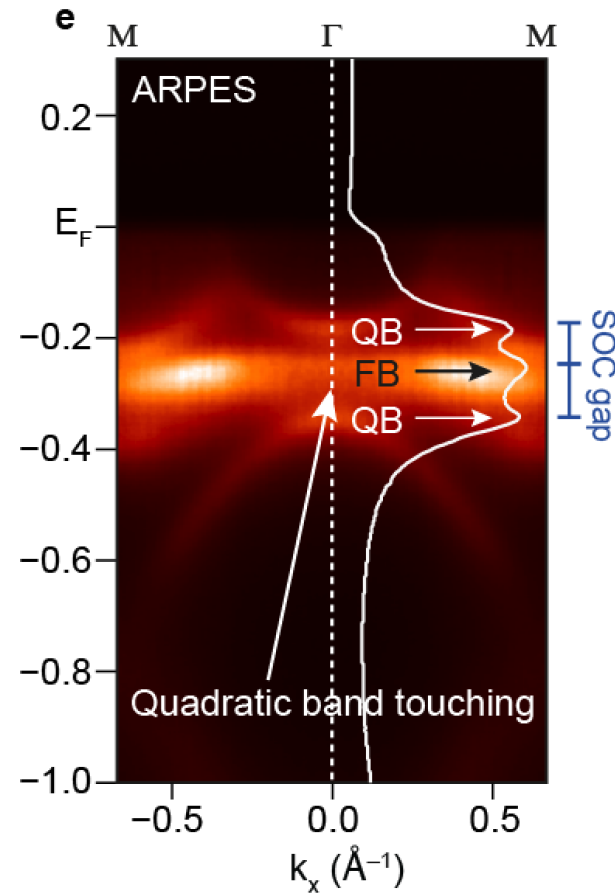
No dependence on out-of-plane momentum (k_z)



Topological flat bands in **CoSn**



SOC opens an **80 meV gap** at the quadratic band touching point



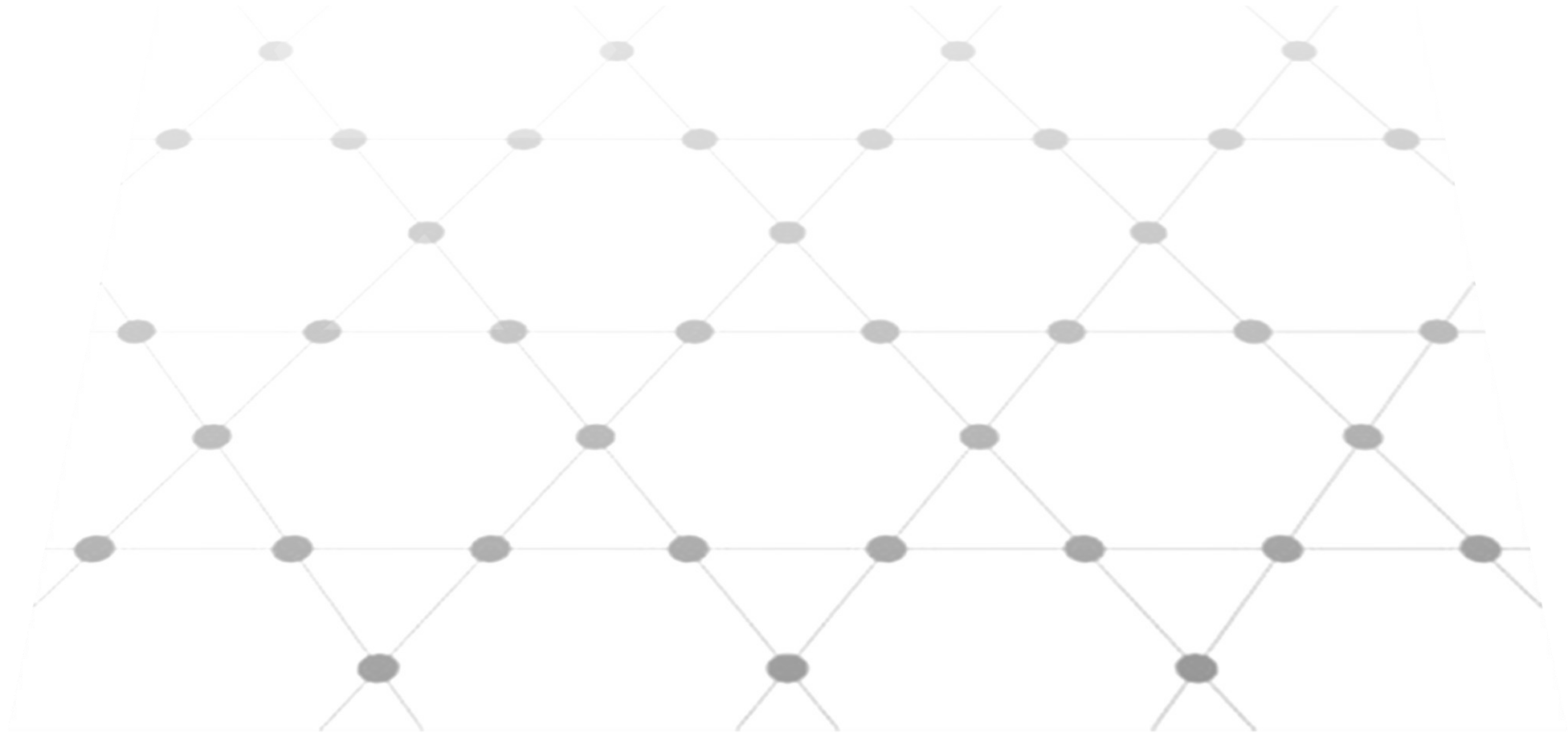
Topo index $Z_2 = 1$



Flat band is **topologically nontrivial**

Part 2

van Hove singularity and electronic symmetry breaking



Acknowledgments – Part 3



Theory



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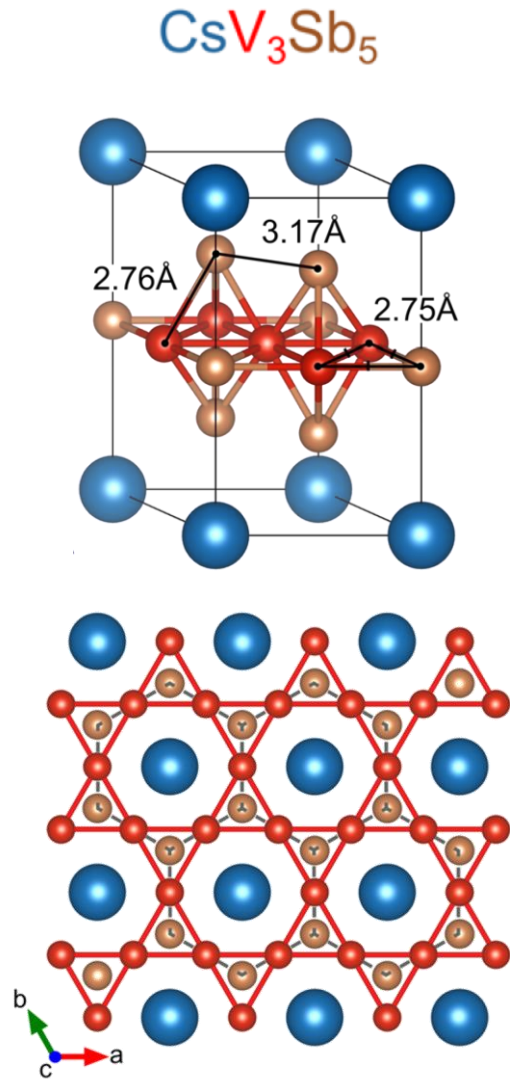
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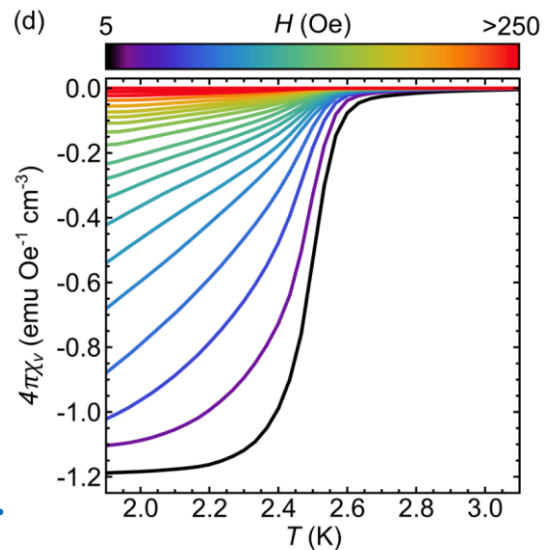
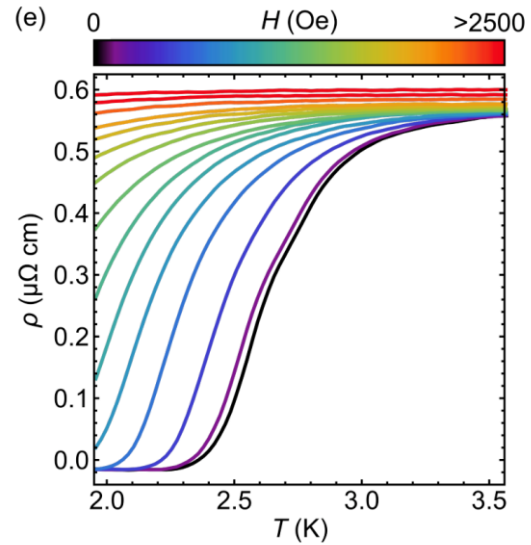
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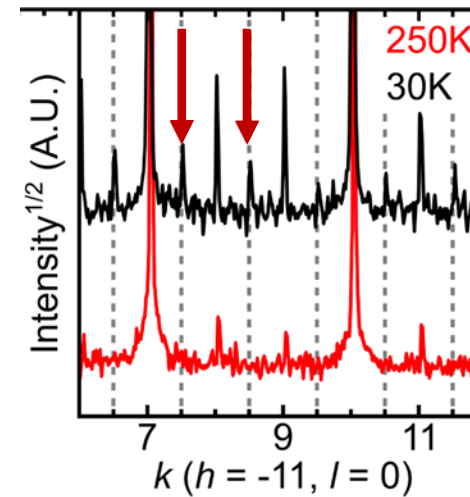
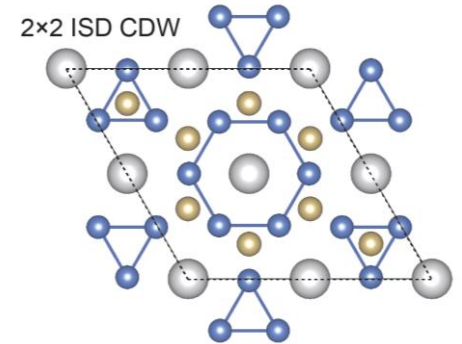
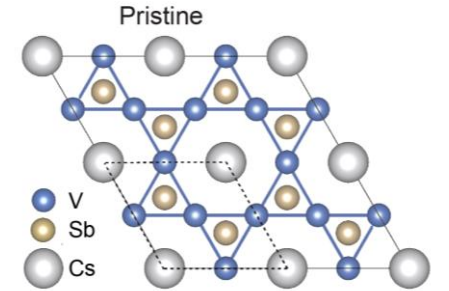
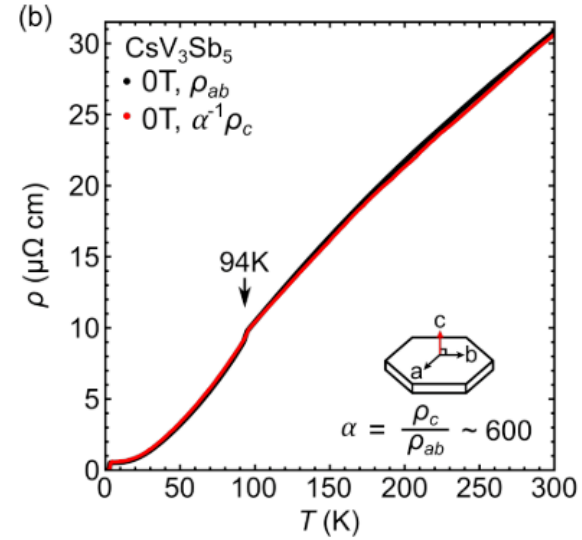
Quantum matter in AV_3Sb_5 – CDW & superconductivity



Superconductivity at 3 K



Charge order at 94 K - $Q=(0.5,0,L)$



Quantum matter in AV_3Sb_5



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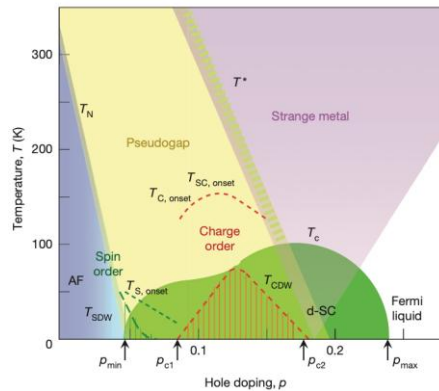
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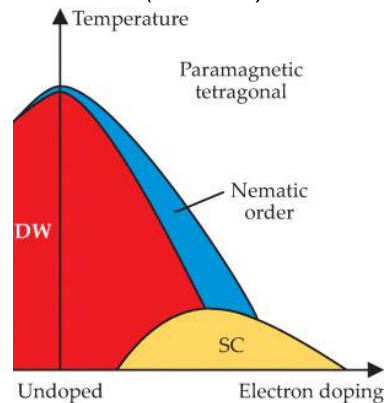
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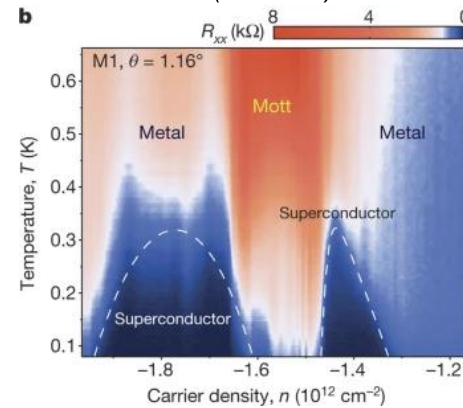
Keimer *et al.* (2015)

• Fe-based High T_c SC (2008~)



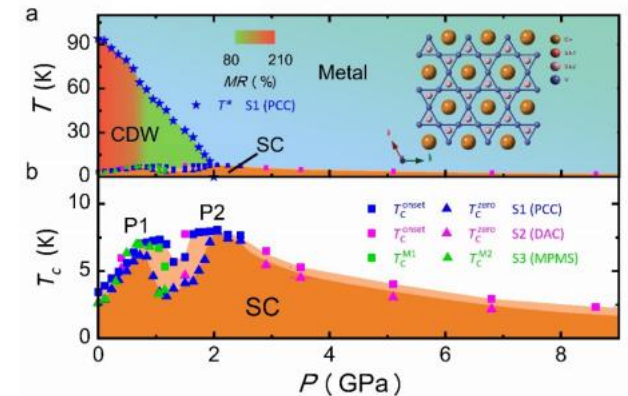
Kamihara *et al.* (2008)

• Twisted Moire superlattices (2018~)



Y. Cao *et al.* (2018)

• Kagome metal AV_3Sb_5 (2020~)

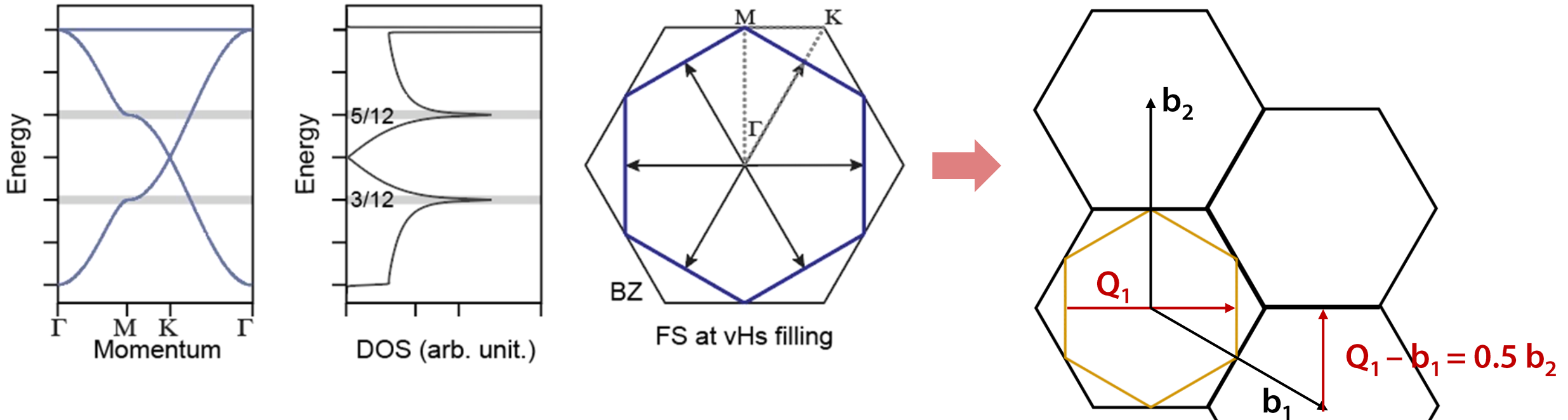


B. Ortiz *et al.* (2020)

Iridate (2008)

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What's the role of the electronic band structure in the formation of the CDW state?



At the **van Hove singularity fillings** ($5/12$, $3/12$) one finds:

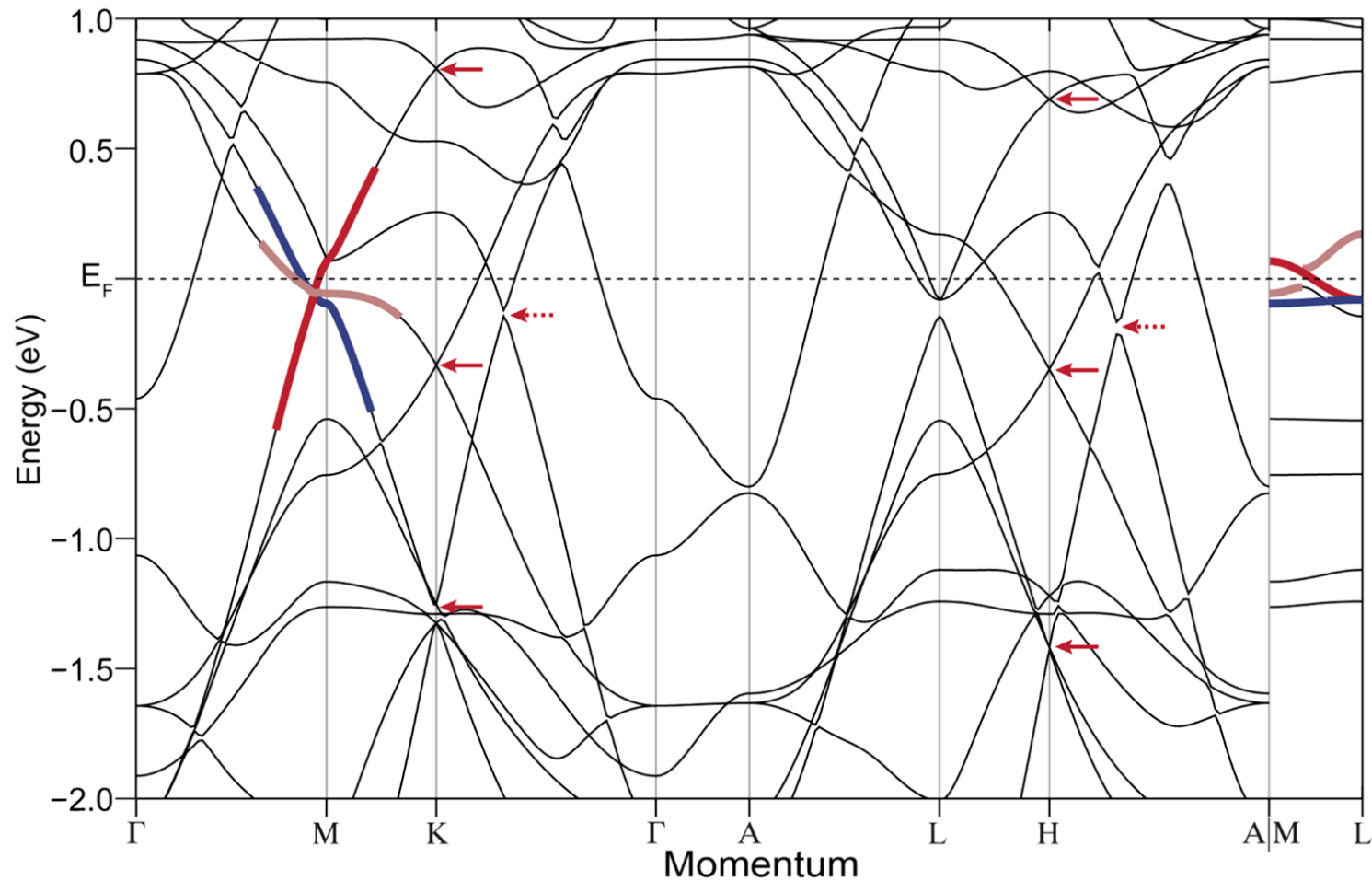
- 1) Diverging density of states
- 2) Perfectly nested Fermi surface

Ideal conditions for **electronic instabilities**

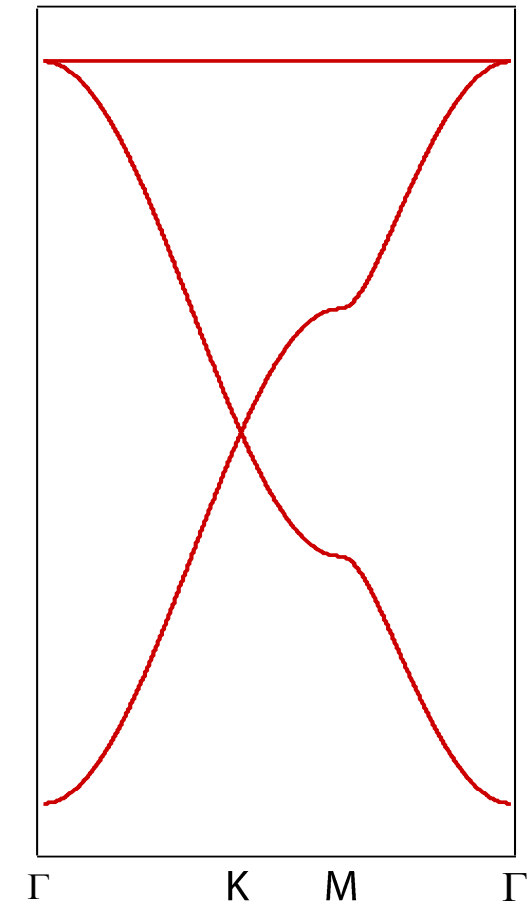
Nesting wave vector $\mathbf{Q} = (1/2, 0)$, consistent with 2×2 charge order

Electronic band structure of CsV₃Sb₅ – DFT (undistorted)

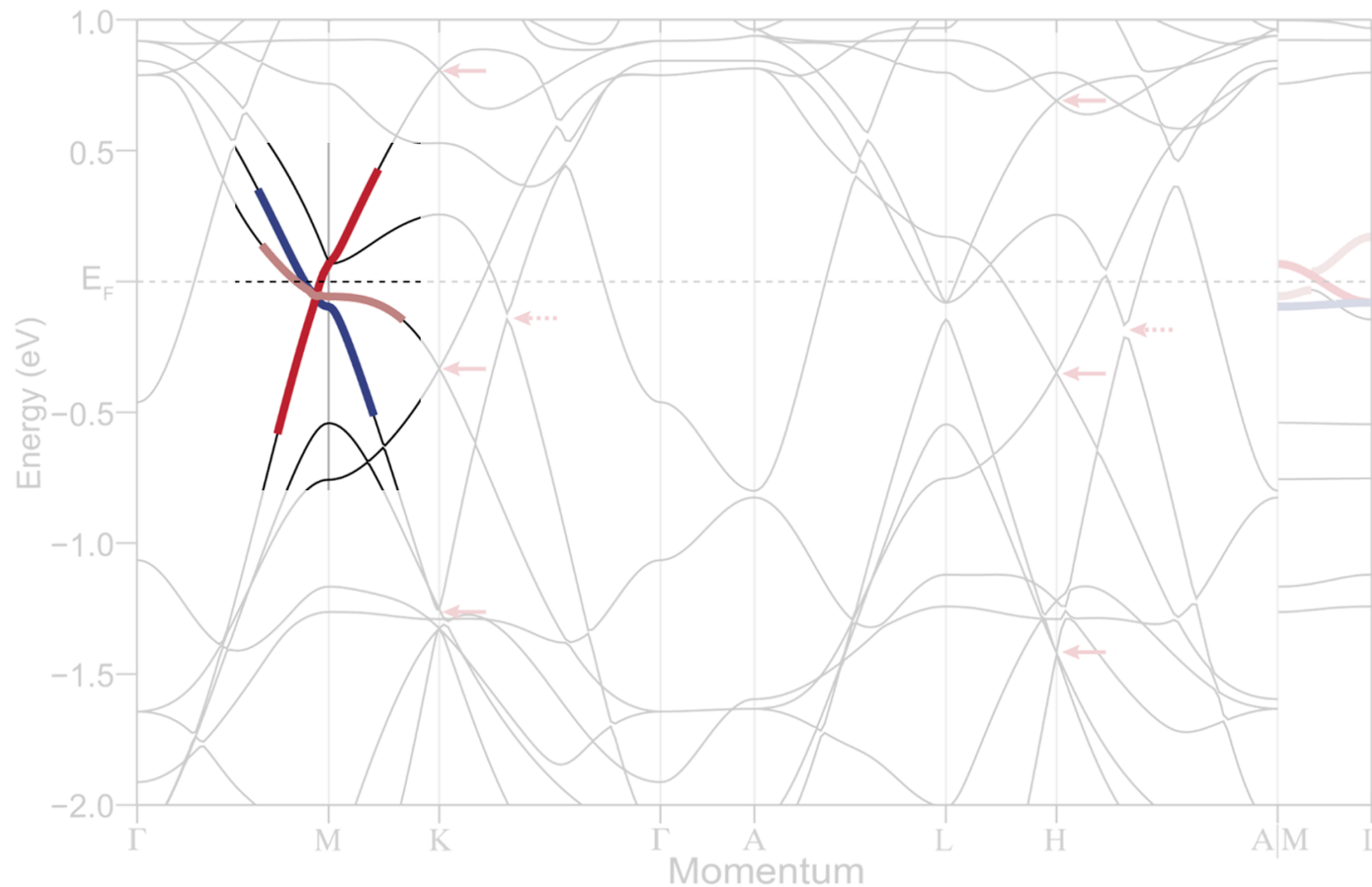
Reality



Expectation



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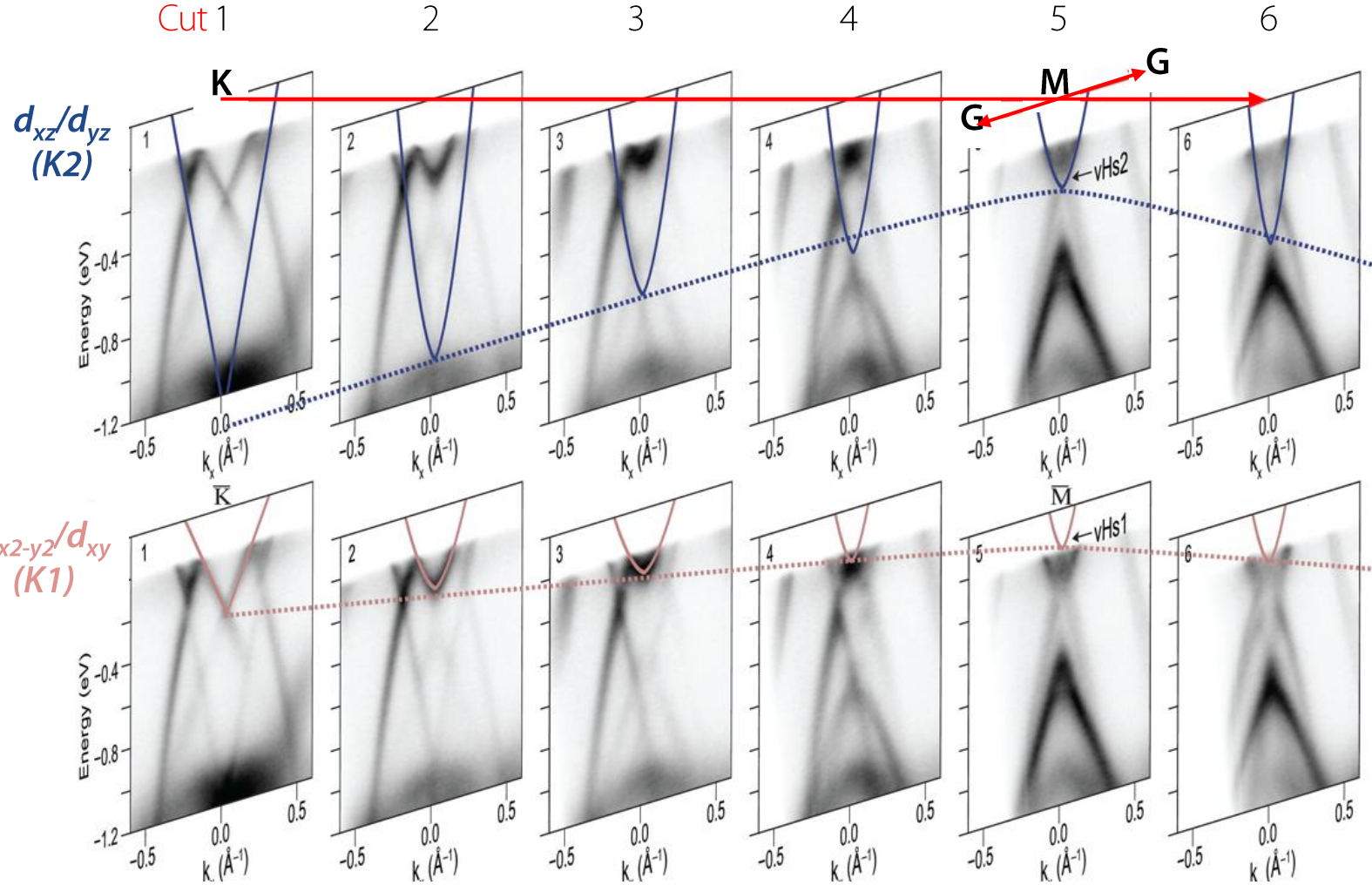
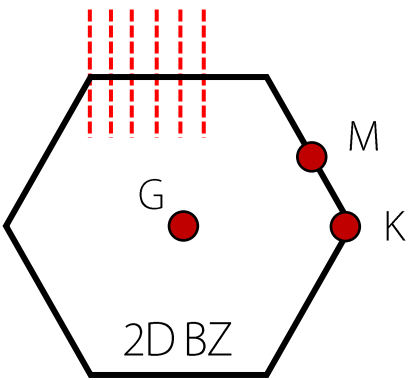


Three main kagome-derived bands from V-3d orbitals:

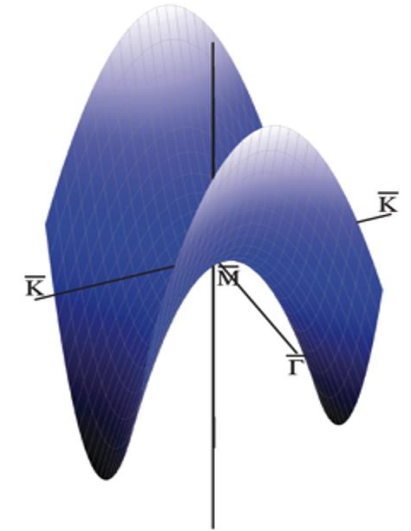
- **K1** band – has $d_{xy}/d_{x^2-y^2}$ (in-plane) character and a **p-type vHs near E_F** at the *M* point
- **K2** band – has d_{xz}/d_{yz} (out-of-plane) character and a **p-type vHs near E_F** at the *M* point
- **K2'** band has d_{xz}/d_{yz} (out-of-plane) character and a **m-type vHs near E_F** at the *M* point

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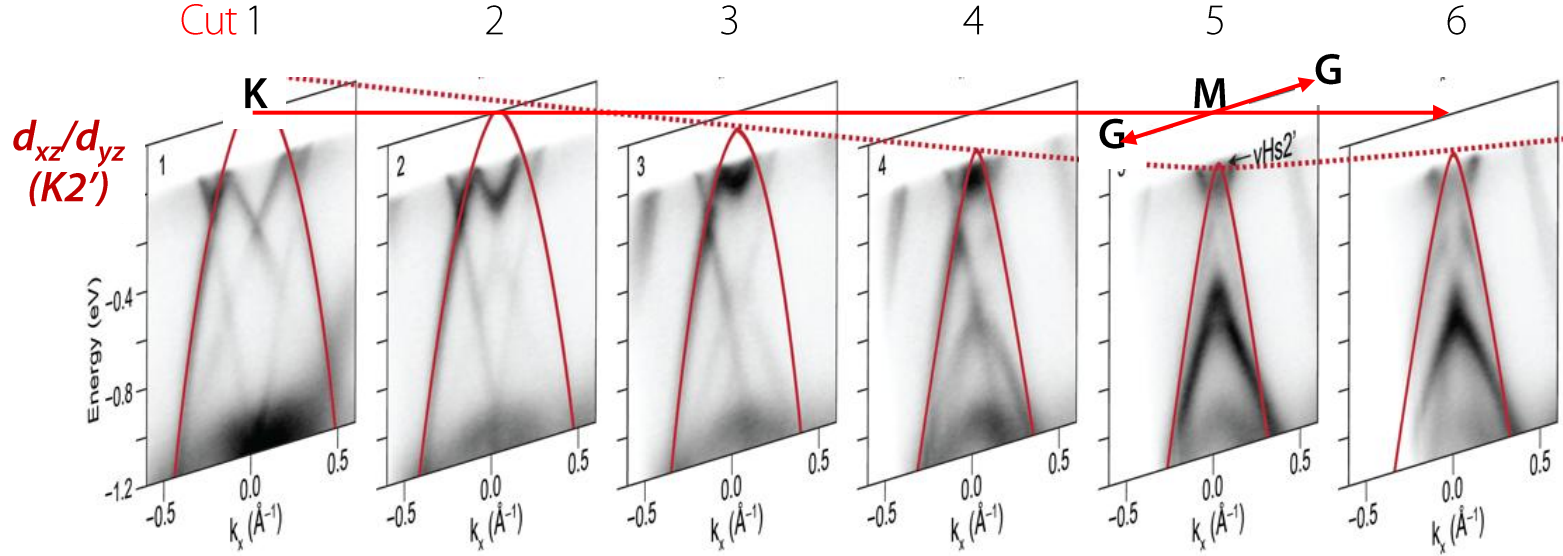
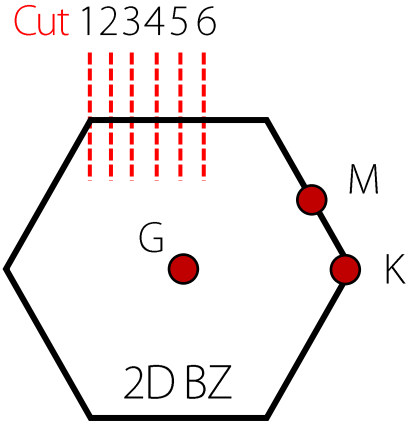
K1 and K2: *p*-type vHs



Hole-like dispersion along **K-M-K**.

Electron-like dispersion along **G-M-G**.

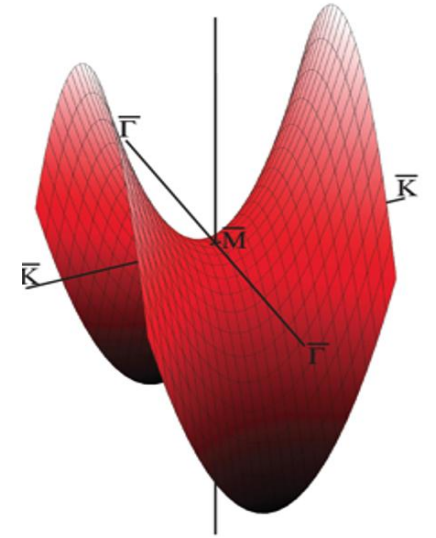
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Electron-like dispersion along **K-M-K**.

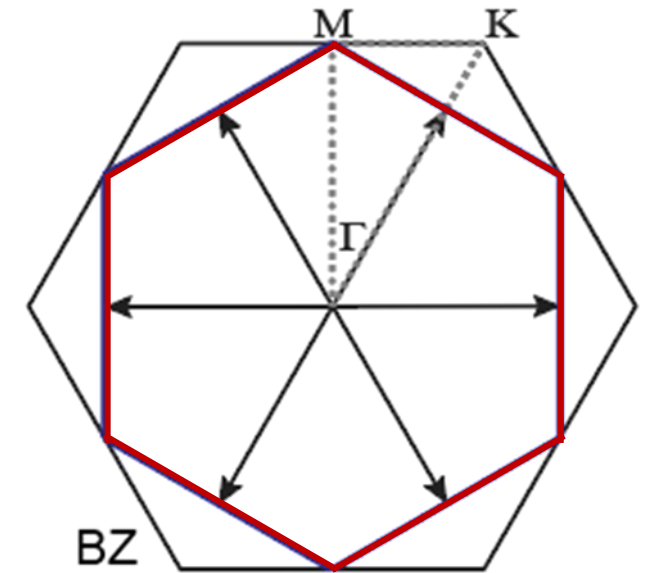
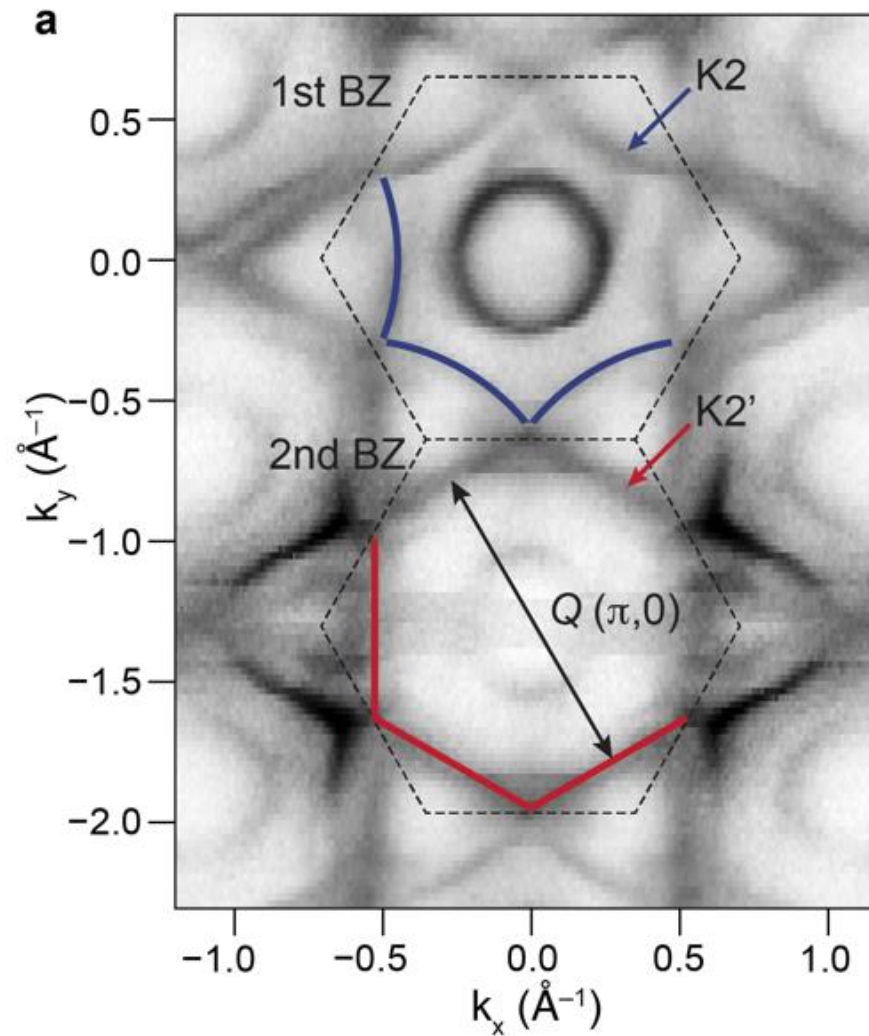
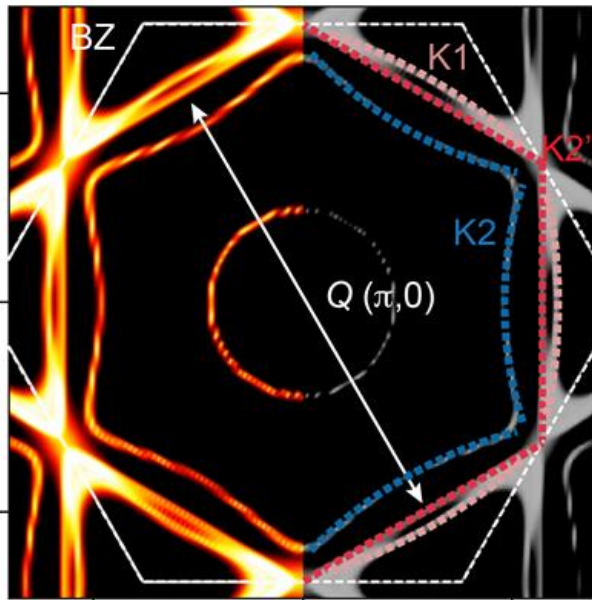
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$K2'$: *m*-type vHs



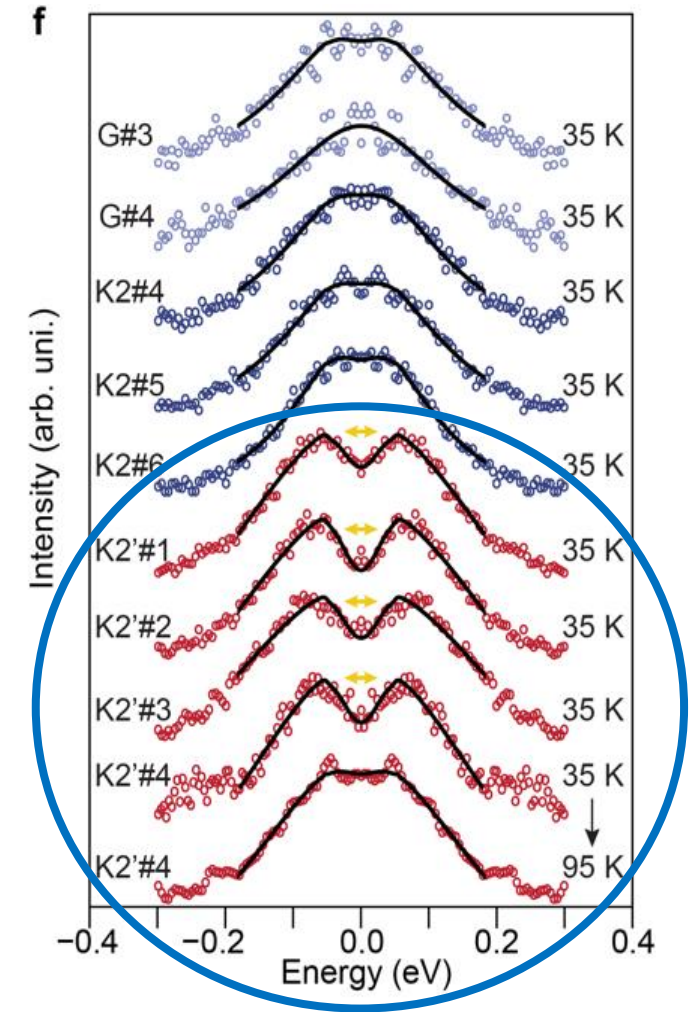
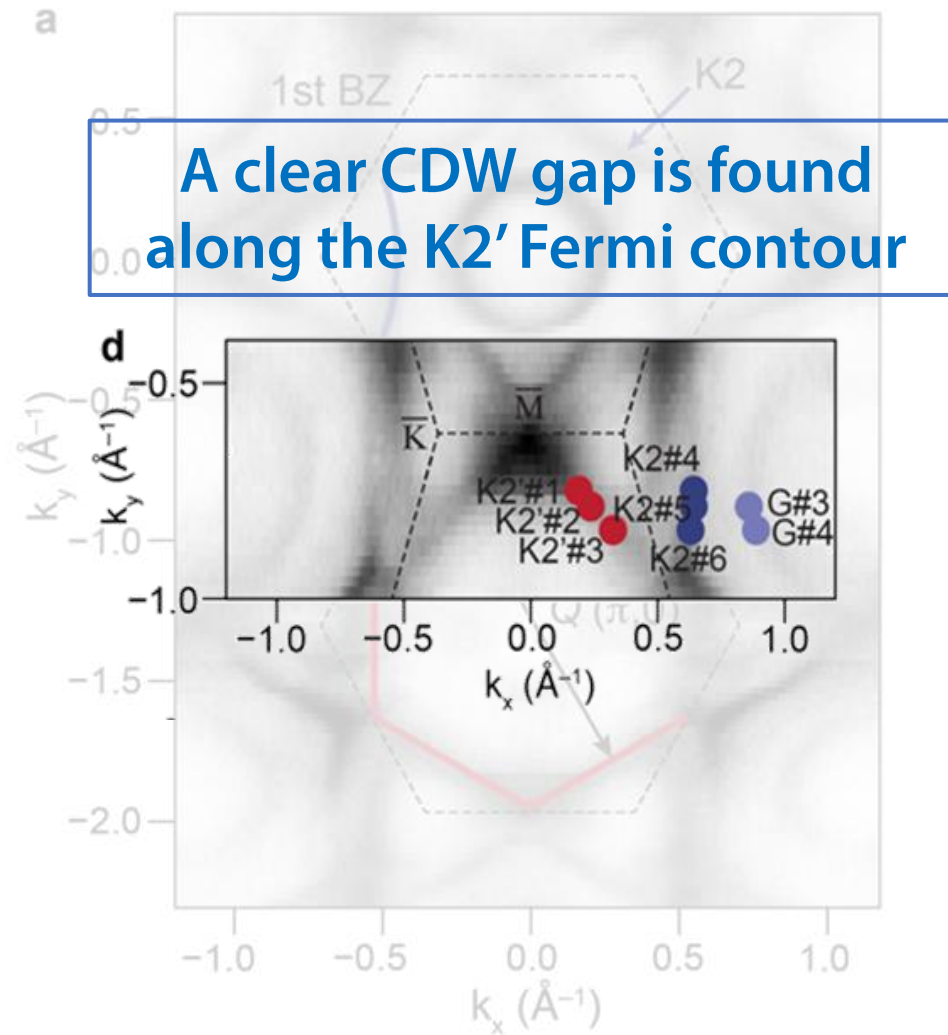
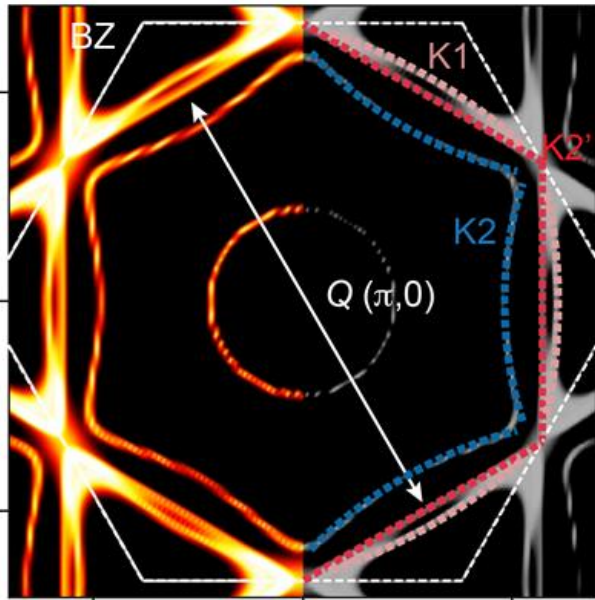
Electronic band structure of CsV_3Sb_5 – CDW gap

Fermi surface @ $k_z=0$ (DFT)

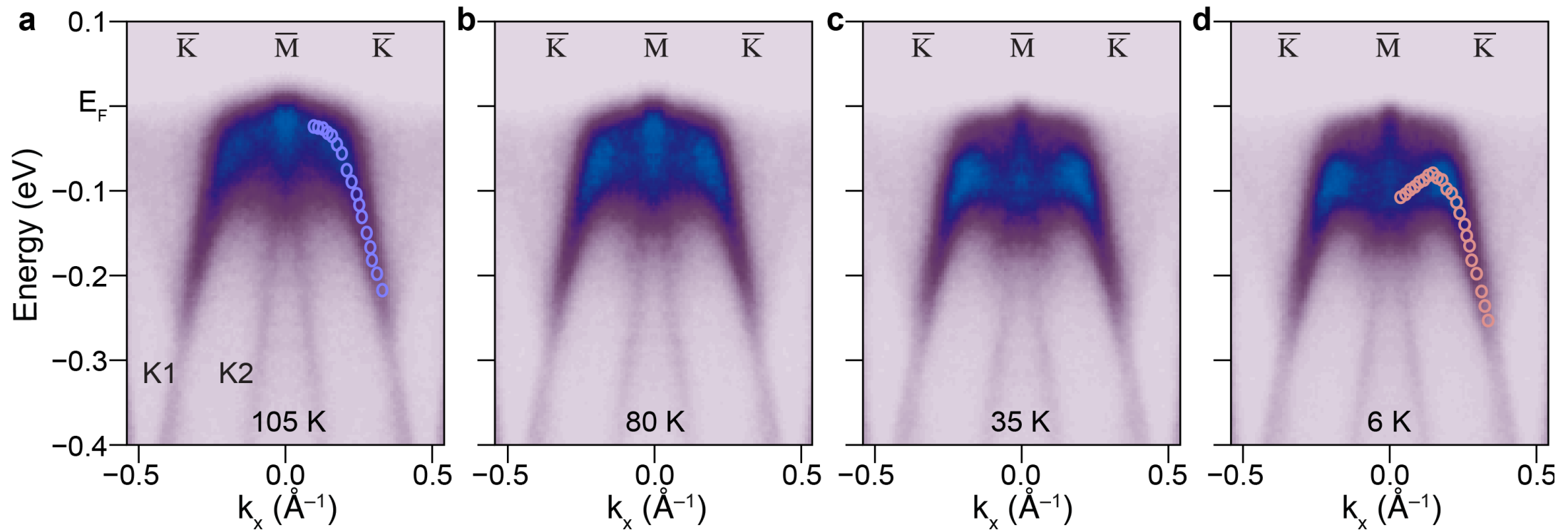


The K2' band is almost perfectly nested

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Electronic band structure of CsV_3Sb_5 – CDW gap



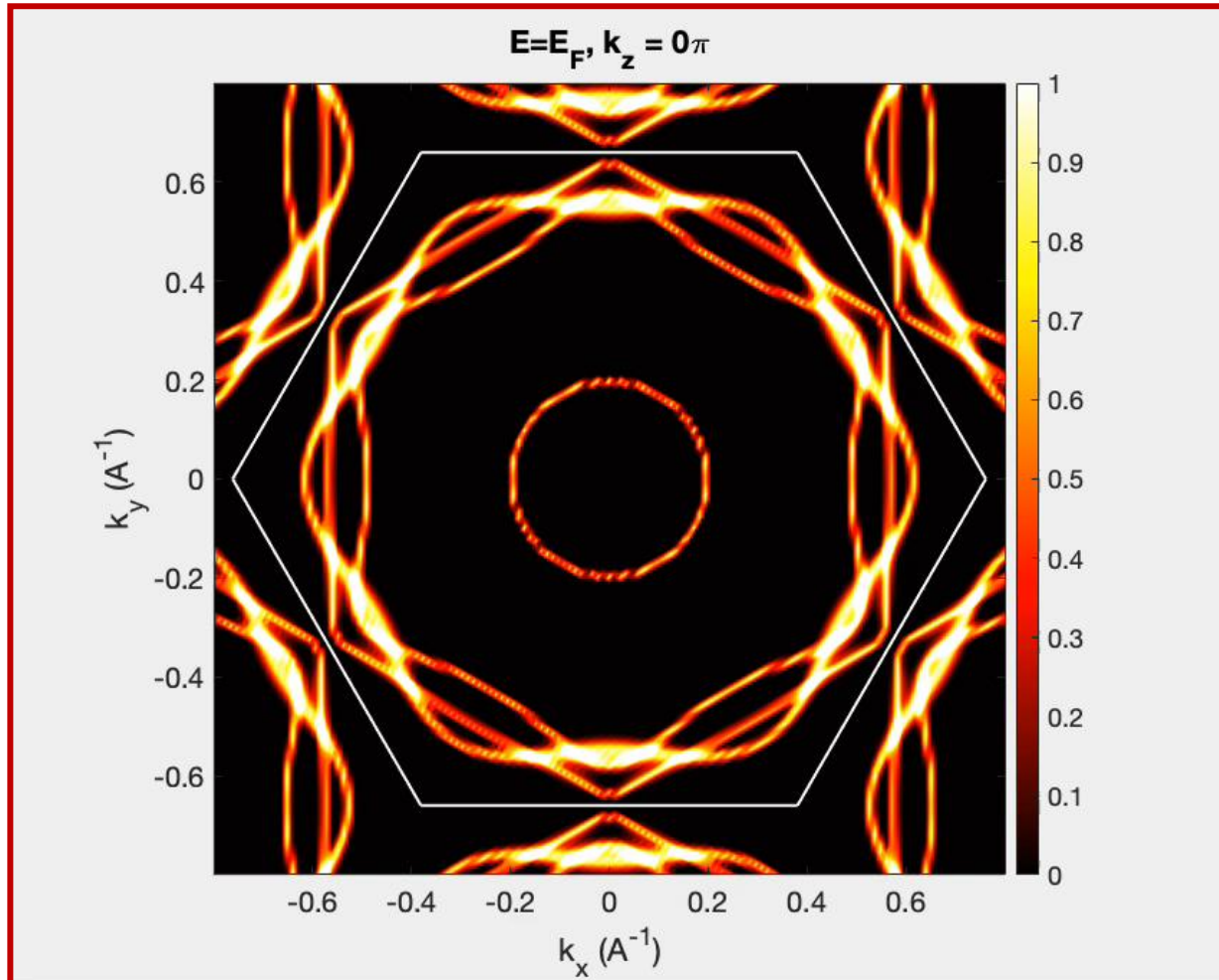
The K1 band has its vHs almost precisely at the M point, and is strongly renormalized

So...what's making the system unstable toward translational symmetry breaking?

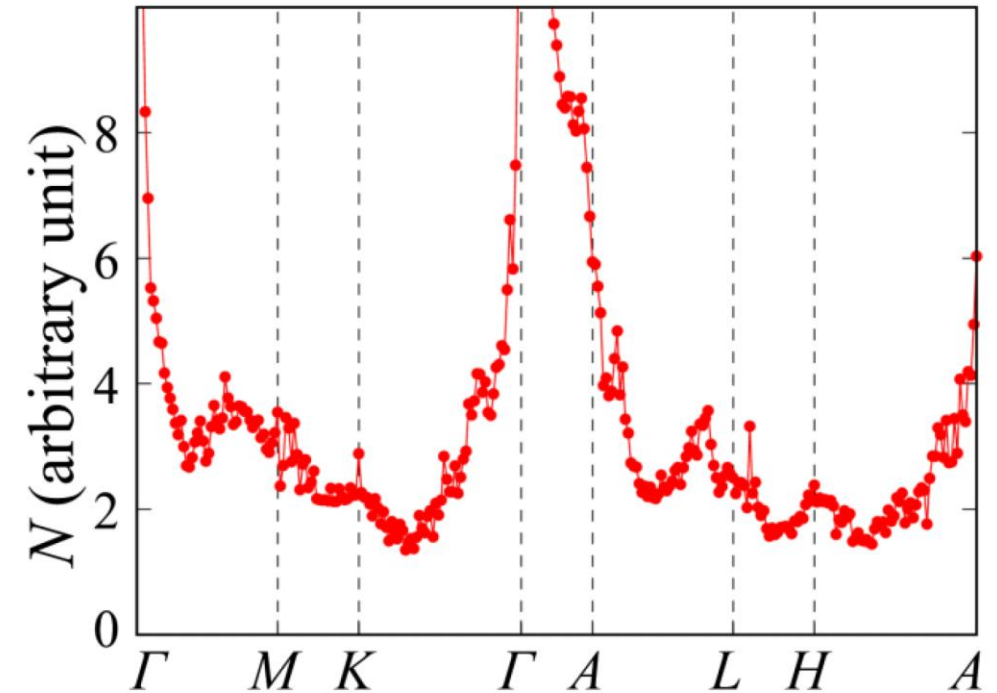
What is the relative role of the high **DOS** near E_F (van Hove singularity) or the high **joint DOS** (nesting effects)?

Electronic band structure of CsV_3Sb_5 – k_z dependence

A key element is the dimensionality of the band structure.



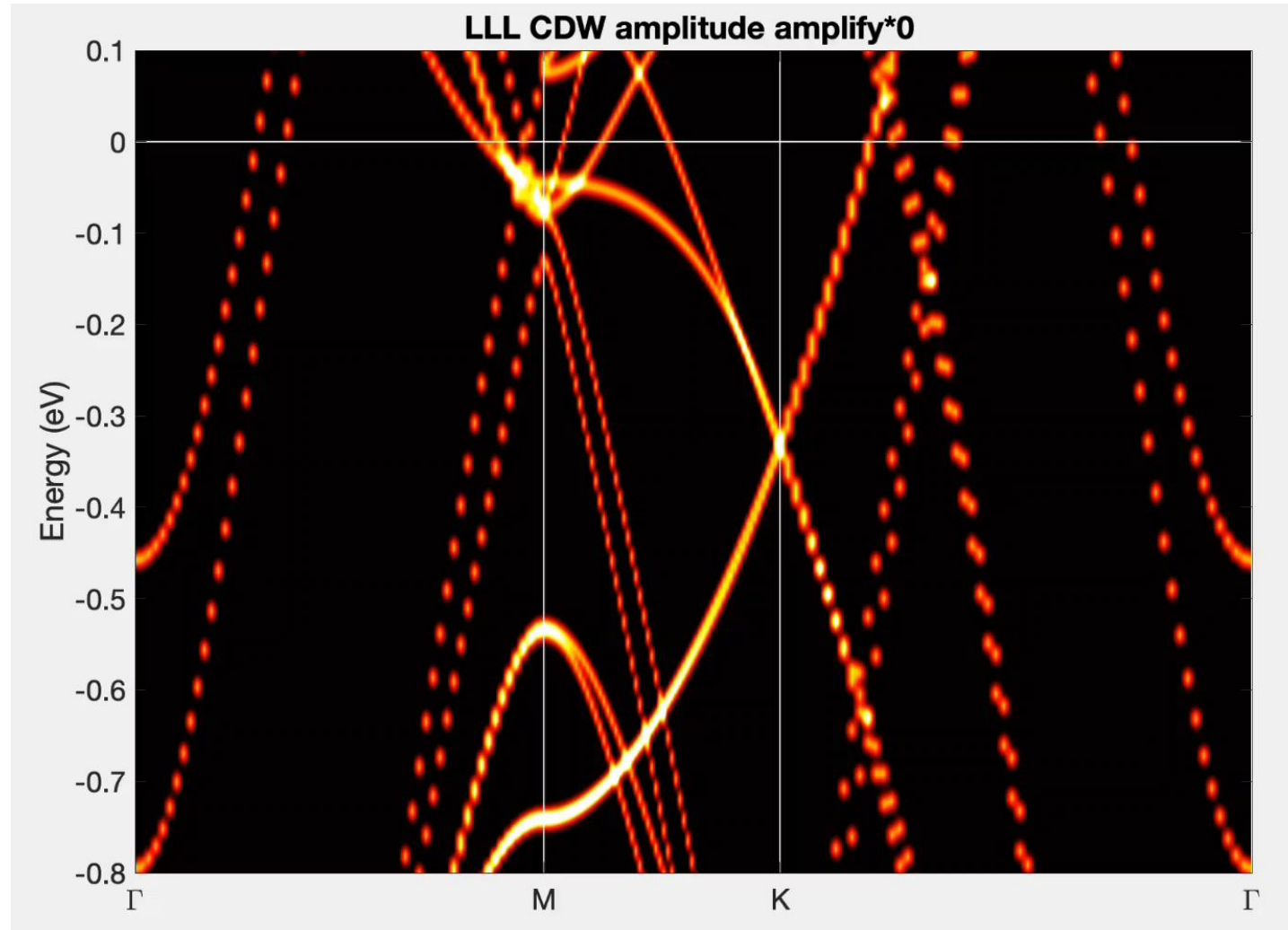
Lindhard function



No clear divergence of the electronic susceptibility at the M point

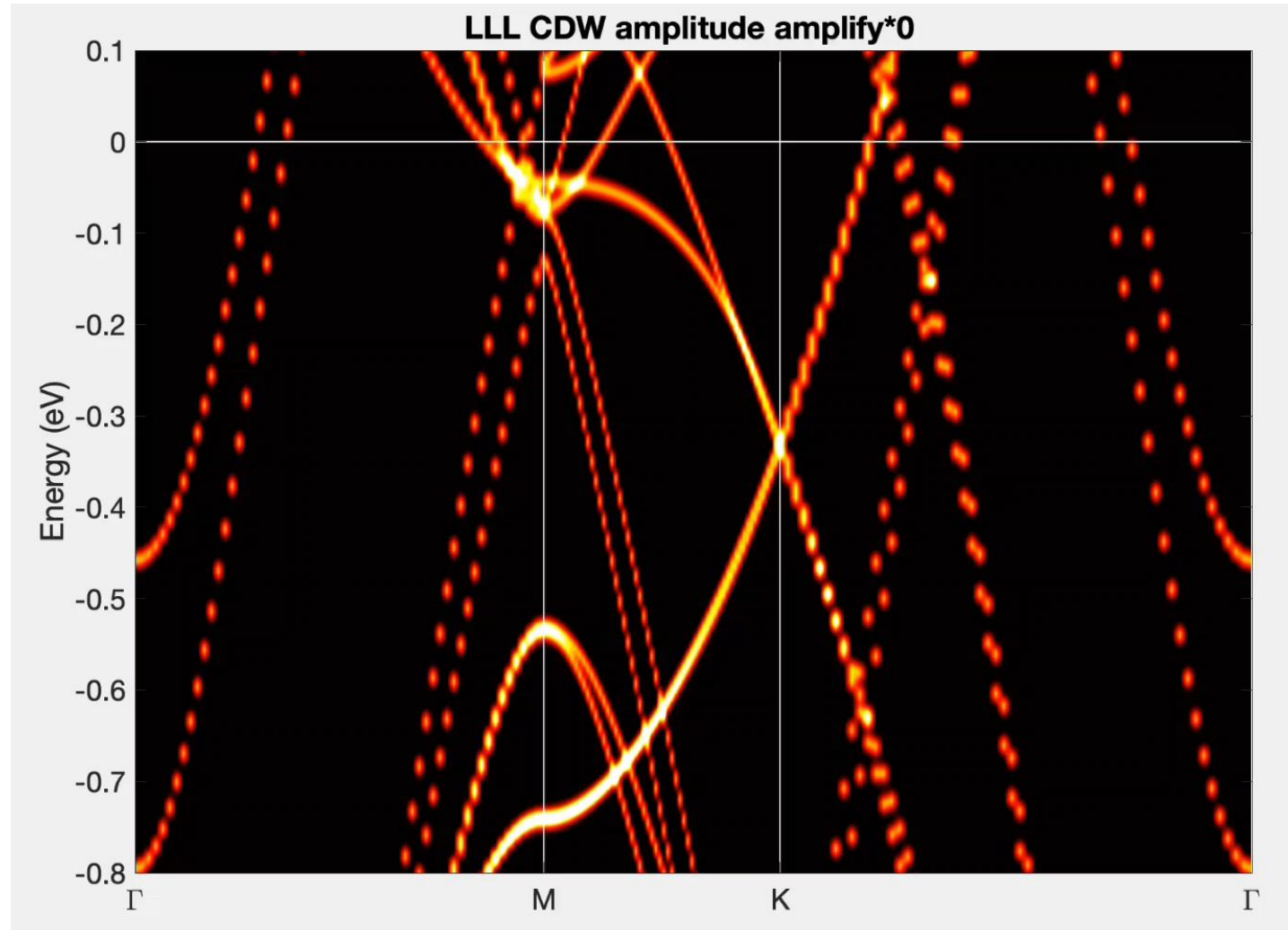
Electronic band structure of CsV_3Sb_5 – **Electron-lattice coupling**

The lattice distortion pushes bands apart by ~ 100 meV and removes the vHs from E_F



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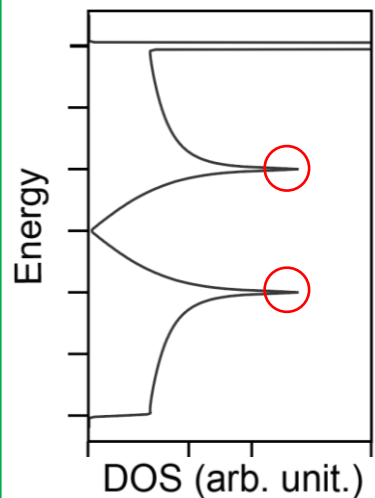
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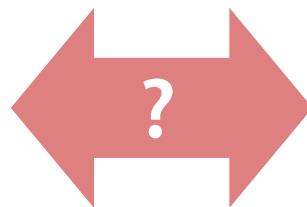
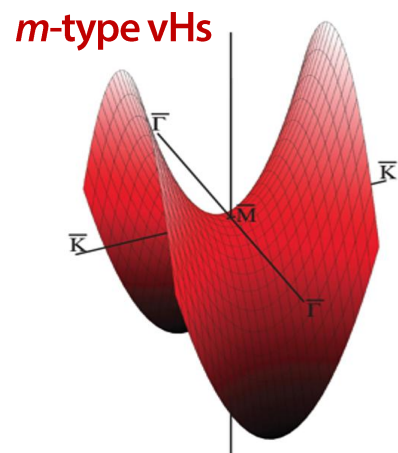
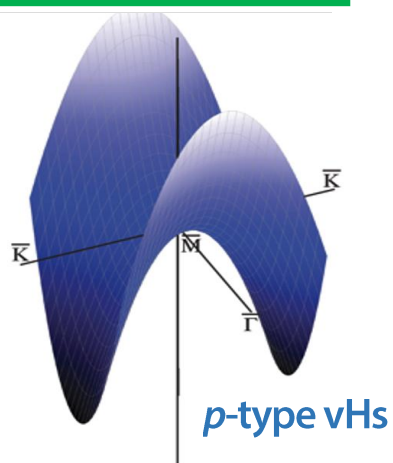
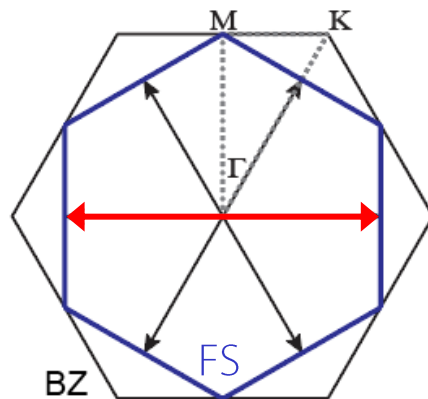
**Hallmark of large
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coupling**

Physics of van Hove singularities

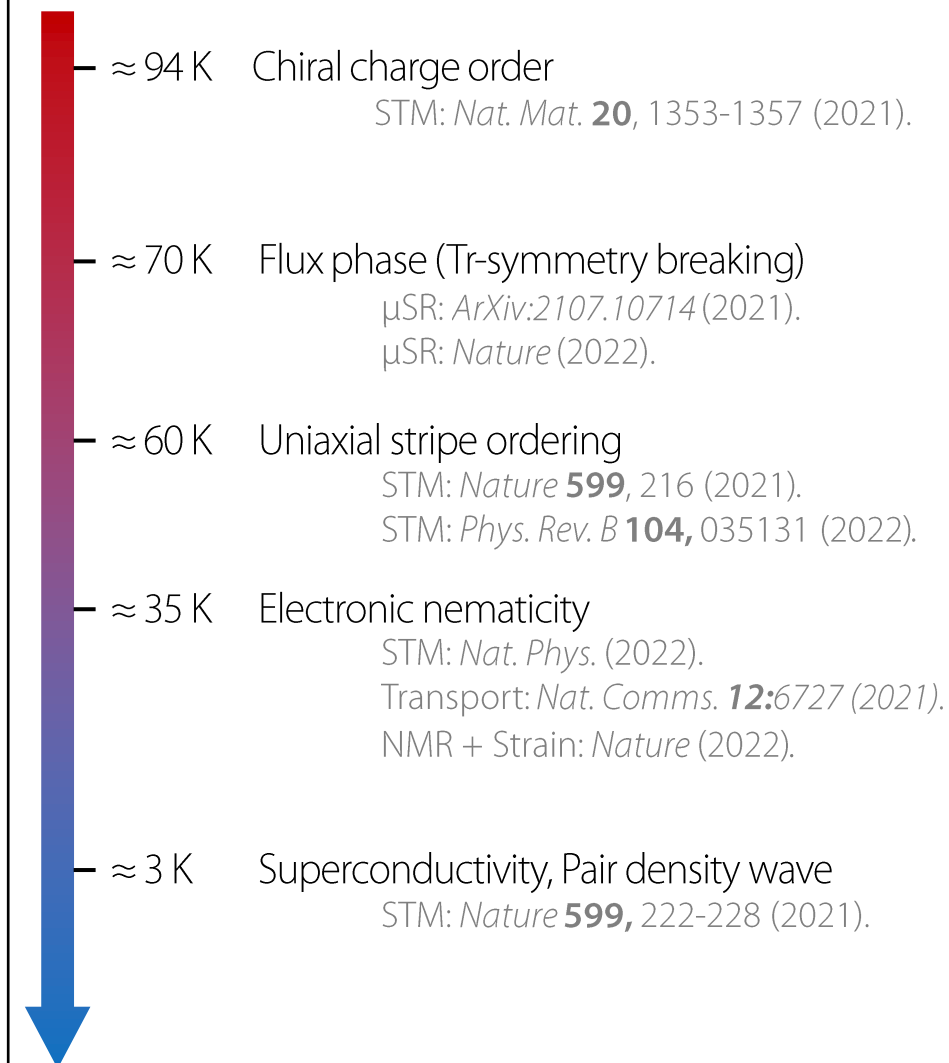
1. Diverging DOS



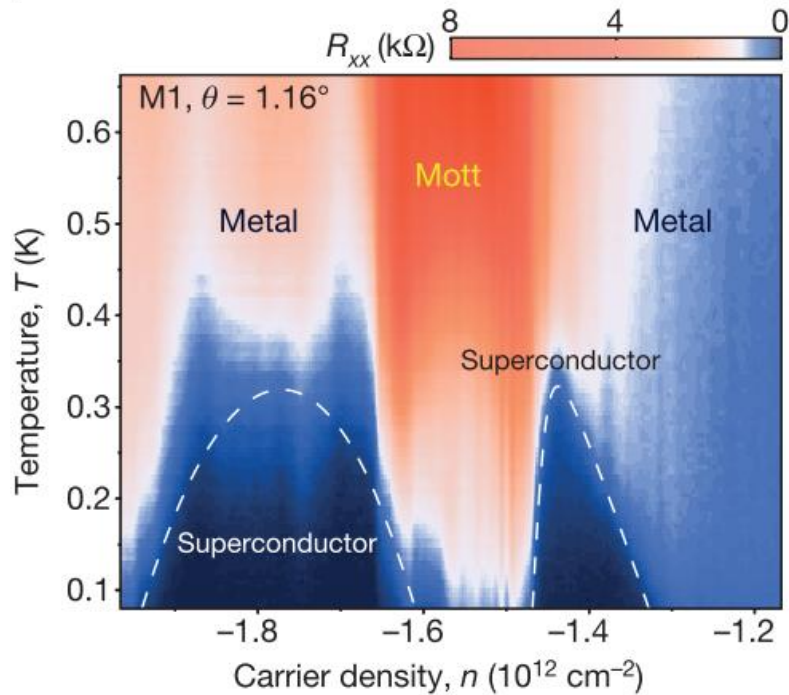
2. FS nesting at vHs



Collective electron phases in CsV_3Sb_5



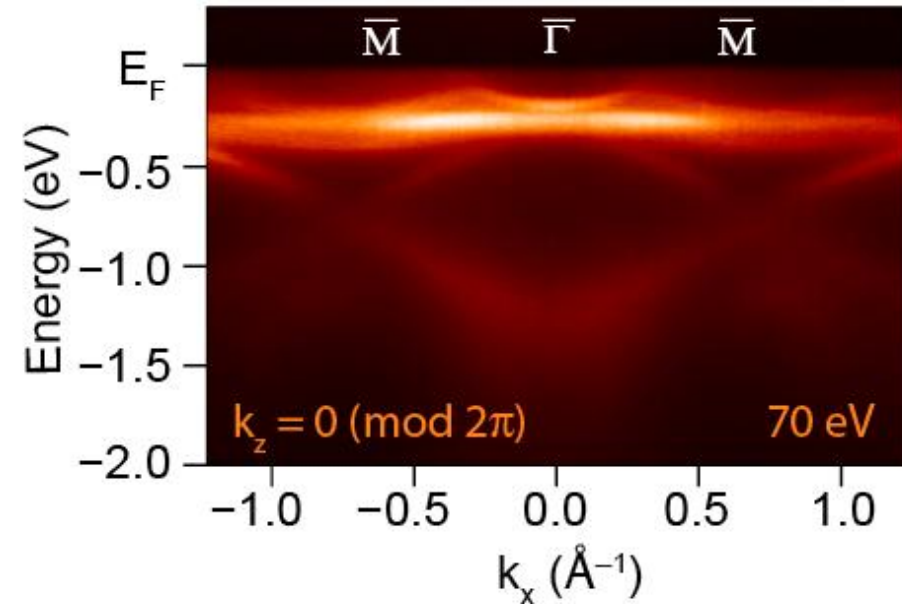
Twisted bilayer graphene



Hosts topology, magnetism, and strong correlation phenomena

Up to temperatures $\sim 0.1\text{-}1$ K

2D kagome network



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Questions...?

That's all Folks!