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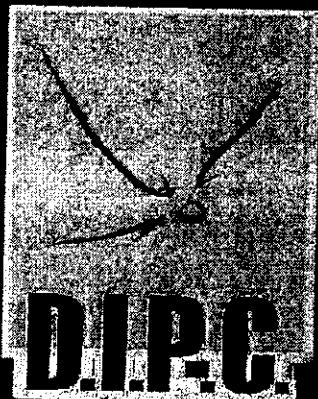
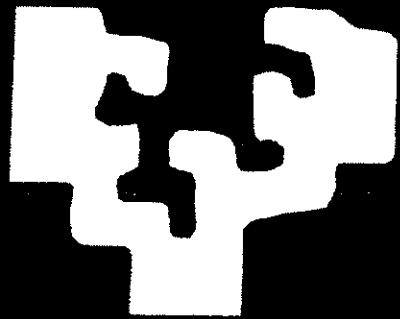
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Lifetimes of electrons near the Fermi level

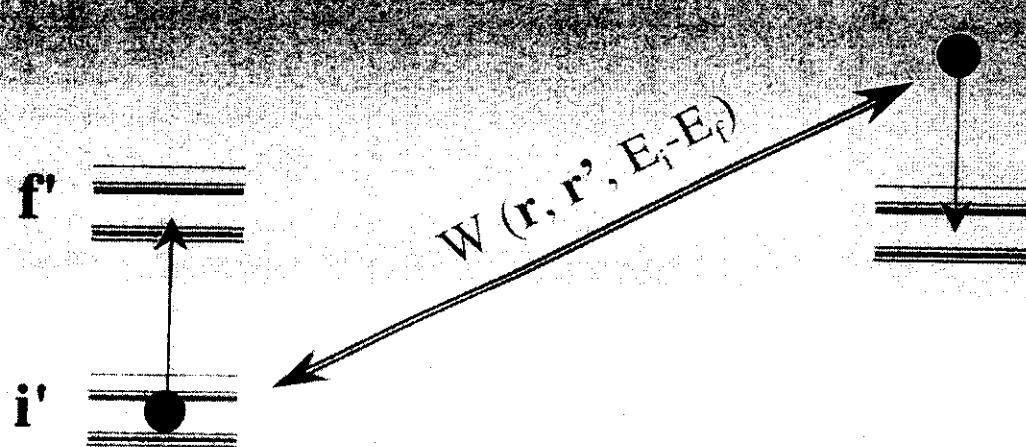
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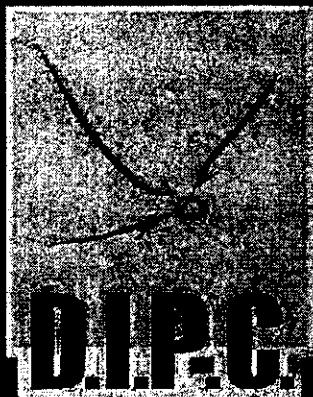
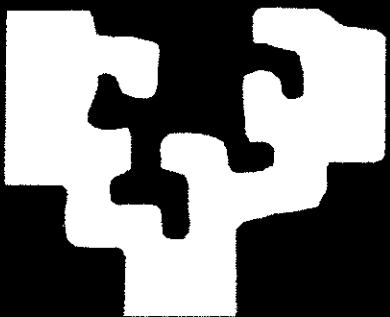
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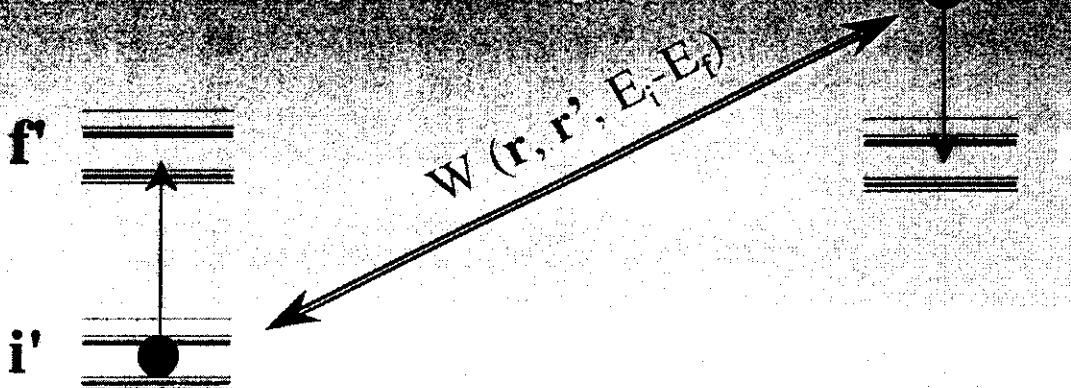
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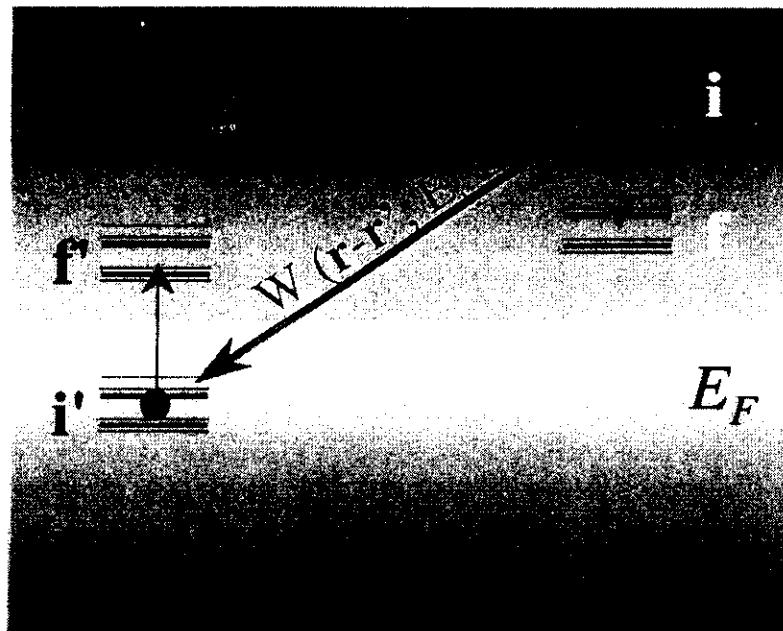


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DOS approach



Random-k approximation

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \int_{E_F}^E dE \rho(E) \int_0^{E_F} d\varepsilon \rho(\varepsilon) \rho(\varepsilon + \omega) |M(\omega)|^2$$

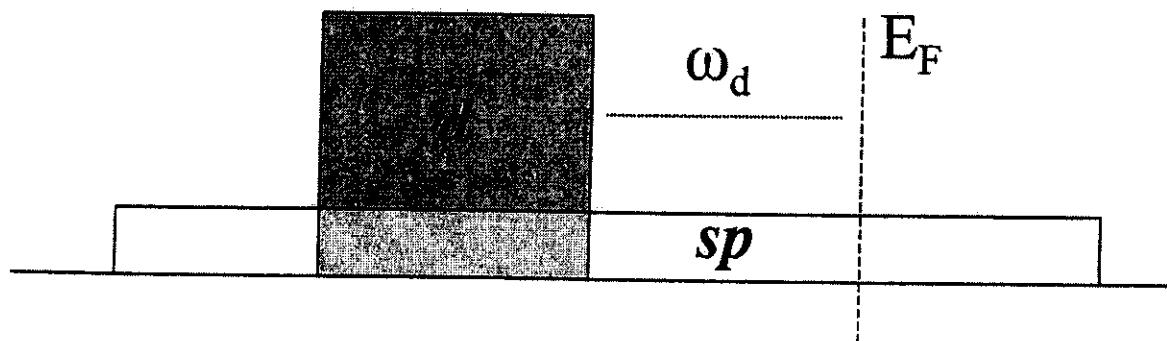
(ω = E - E')

Constant matrix elements $|M(\omega)|^2 = |M|^2$
but dependent on the character of the bands

$$M = M_{f f'}^{i i'}$$

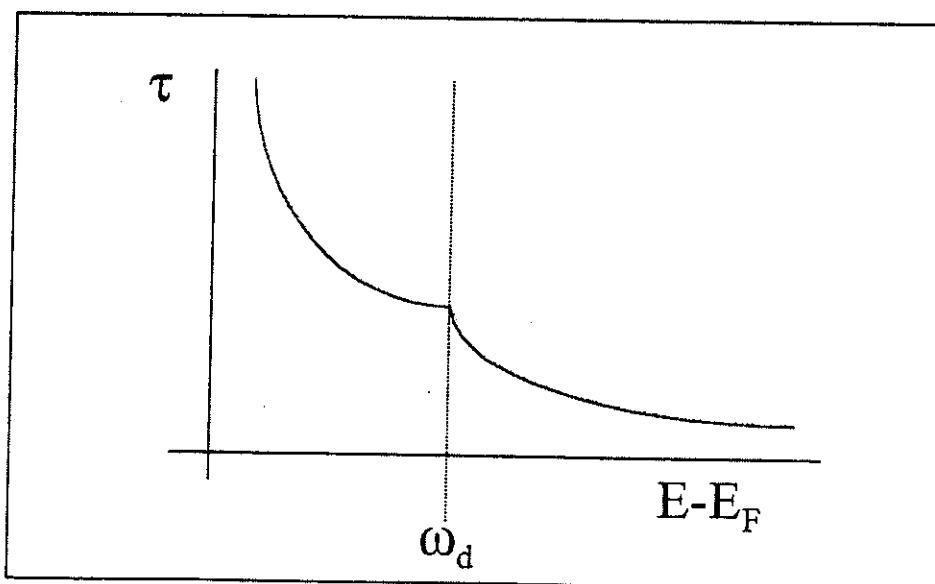
DOS approach: Noble metals

- Simple description



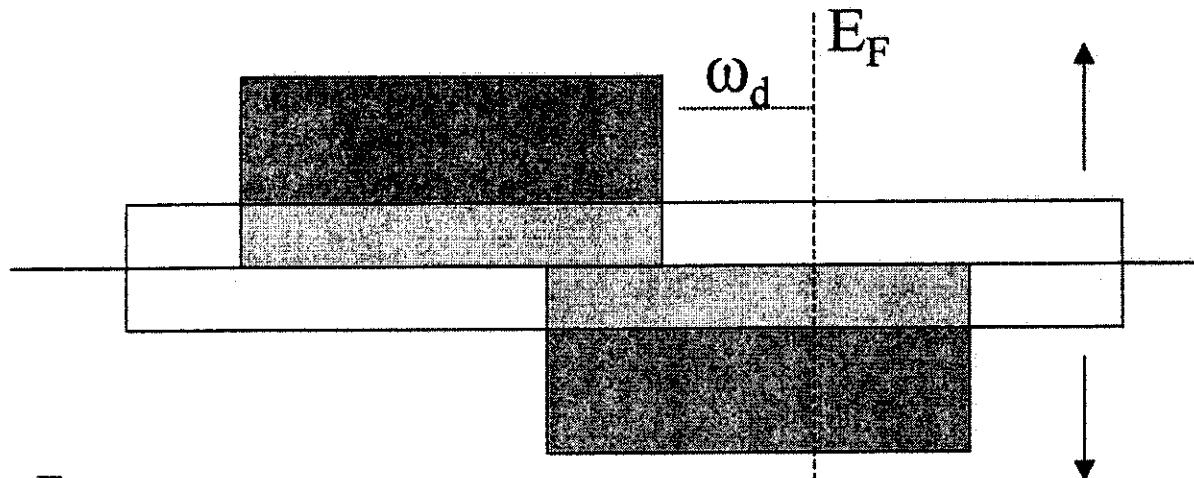
$$\tau^{-1} = M_{ss}^{ss} (E - E_F)^2 \quad (E - E_F < \omega_d)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^{-1} = M_{ss}^{ss} (E - E_F)^2 \\ + M_{ss}^{sd} (E - E_F - \omega_d)^2 \quad (E - E_F > \omega_d) \end{aligned}$$



DOS approach: Cobalt

- Simple description

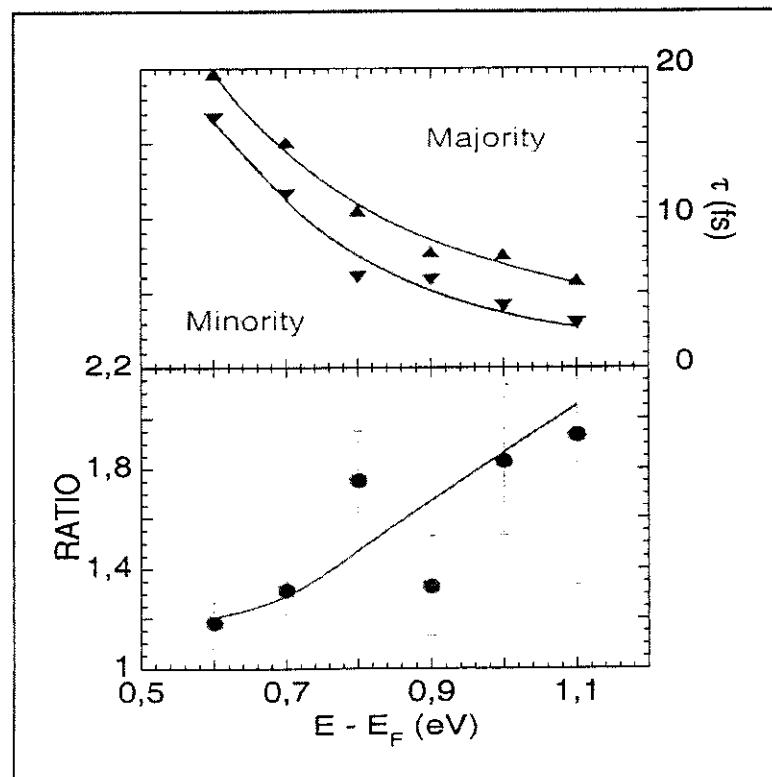


- $E - E_F < \omega_d$

$$\tau^{\uparrow}/\tau_{\downarrow} = \frac{c_0^{\downarrow} (E - E_F)^2}{c_0^{\uparrow} (E - E_F - \omega_d)^2}$$

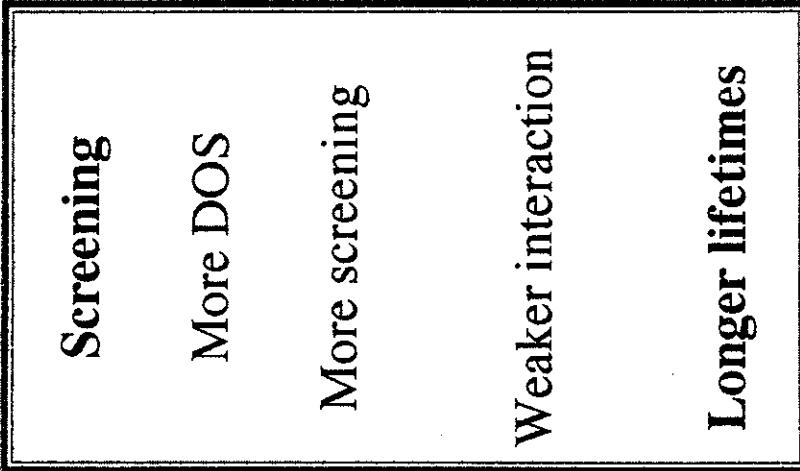
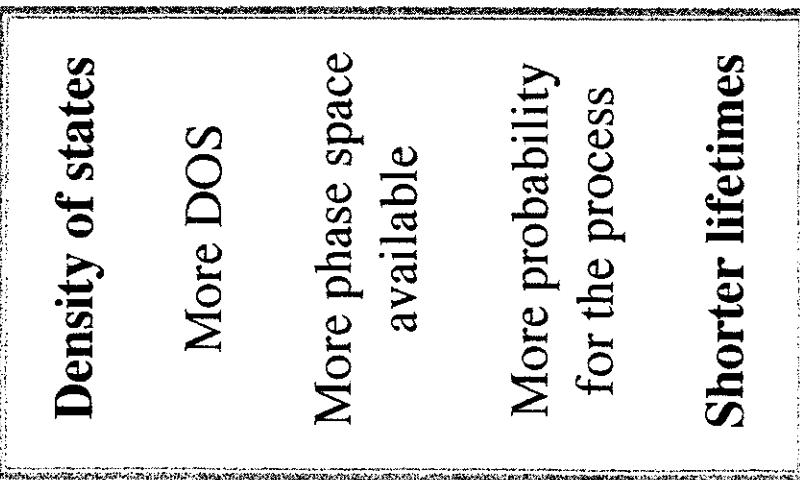
- $E - E_F > \omega_d$

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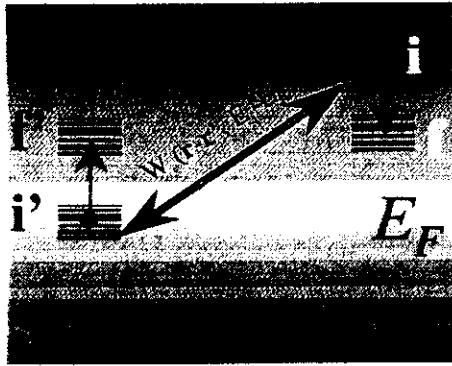
Zarate *et al.*
Exp. M. Aeschlimann *et al.*

DOS vs. SCREENING



Free electrons
Quinn (1962)

$$\tau^{-1} = \frac{\sqrt{3} \pi^2}{128} \frac{\omega_p}{E_F^2} (E - E_F)^2 \longrightarrow \tau \approx \frac{263 r_s^{5/2}}{(E - E_F)^2}$$



- LIFETIME

$$\tau^{-1} = -2 \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \text{Im} \Sigma(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \mathbf{k}_{||}; \epsilon_i) \phi_i(\mathbf{r}')$$

- LIFETIME-SCREENED INTERACTION

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^{-1} &= -2 \sum_f' \int d\mathbf{r} \int d\mathbf{r}' \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_f^*(\mathbf{r}') \\ &\times \text{Im} W(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) \phi_i(\mathbf{r}') \phi_f(\mathbf{r}) \end{aligned}$$

- SELF-ENERGY

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im} \Sigma(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \epsilon_i > E_F) &= \sum_{E_F \leq \epsilon_f \leq \epsilon_i} \phi_f^*(\mathbf{r}') \\ &\times \text{Im} W(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \epsilon_i - \epsilon_f) \phi_f(\mathbf{r}) \end{aligned}$$

LINEAR RESPONSE

- SCREENED INTERACTION

$$W(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) = v(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') + \int d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 \quad v(\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}')$$

$$\times [v(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_1) + K^{xc}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_1; \omega)] \quad \chi(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2; \omega)$$

- DENSITY RESPONSE FUNCTION

$$\chi(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) = \chi^0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) + \int d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 \quad \chi^0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_1; \omega)$$

$$\times [v(\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2) + K^{xc}(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2; \omega)] \quad \chi(\mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}'; \omega)$$

- DENSITY RESPONSE FUNCTION OF NON-INTERACTING GAS

$$\begin{aligned} \chi^0(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) = & \ 2 \sum_{i,j} \frac{\theta(E_F - \omega_i) - \theta(E_F - \omega_j)}{\epsilon_i - \epsilon_j + (\omega + i\eta)} \\ & \times \phi_i(\mathbf{r}) \phi_j^*(\mathbf{r}) \phi_j(\mathbf{r}') \phi_i^*(\mathbf{r}') \end{aligned}$$

PERIODIC CRYSTALS

- LIFETIME

$$\begin{aligned}\tau^{-1} &= \frac{1}{\pi^2} \sum_f' \int_{BZ} d\mathbf{q} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} \sum_{\mathbf{G}'} \frac{B_{if}^*(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}) B_{if}(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}')}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \\ &\times \text{Im} \left[-\epsilon_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'}^{-1}(\mathbf{q}, \omega = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k},i} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q},f}) \right]\end{aligned}$$

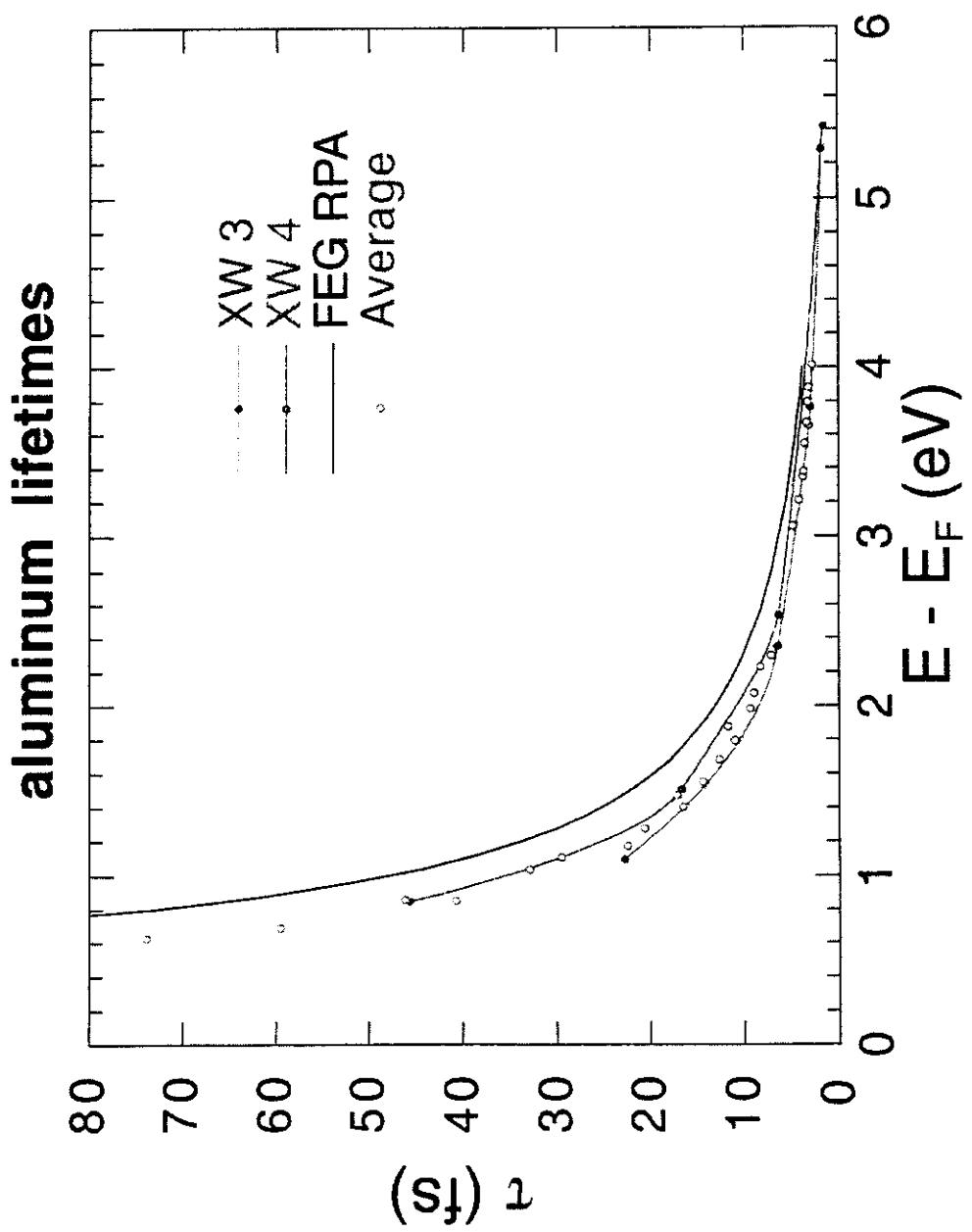
$$B_{if}(\mathbf{q}) = \langle \phi_{\mathbf{k},i} | e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{r}} | \phi_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{q},f} \rangle.$$

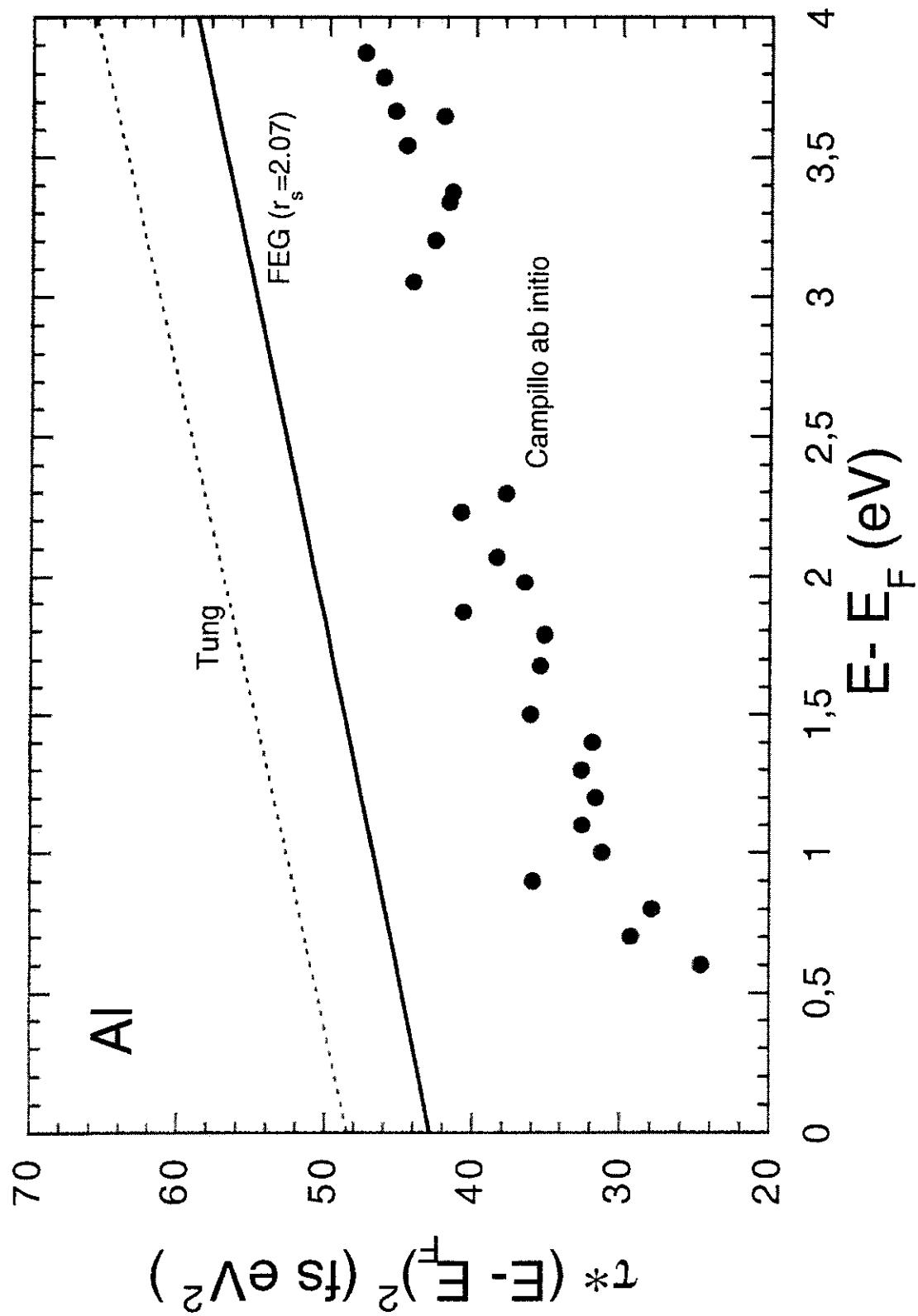
- RPA DIELECTRIC FUNCTION

$$\epsilon_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'}(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = \delta_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'} - \frac{4\pi}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \chi_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'}^0(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$$

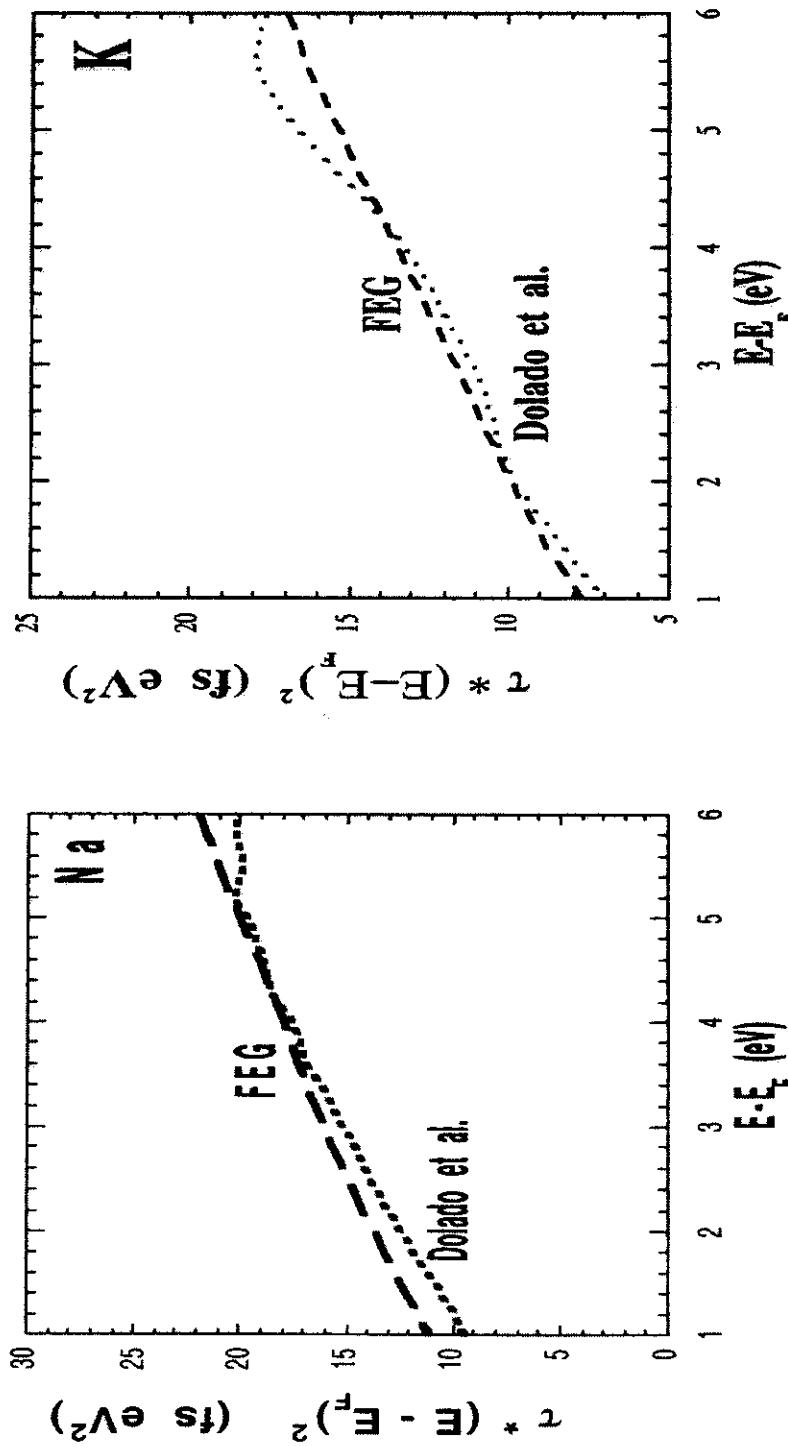
- DENSITY RESPONSE FUNCTION

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}'}^0(\mathbf{q}, \omega) &= \Omega^{-1} \int_{BZ} d\mathbf{q} \sum_n \sum_{n'} (f_{\mathbf{k},n} - f_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},n'}) \\ &\times \frac{\langle \phi_{\mathbf{k},n} | e^{-i(\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{G}) \cdot \mathbf{r}} | \phi_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},n'} \rangle \langle \phi_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},n'} | e^{i(\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{G}') \cdot \mathbf{r}} | \phi_{\mathbf{k},r} \rangle}{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k},n} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},n'} + (\omega + i\eta)}\end{aligned}$$

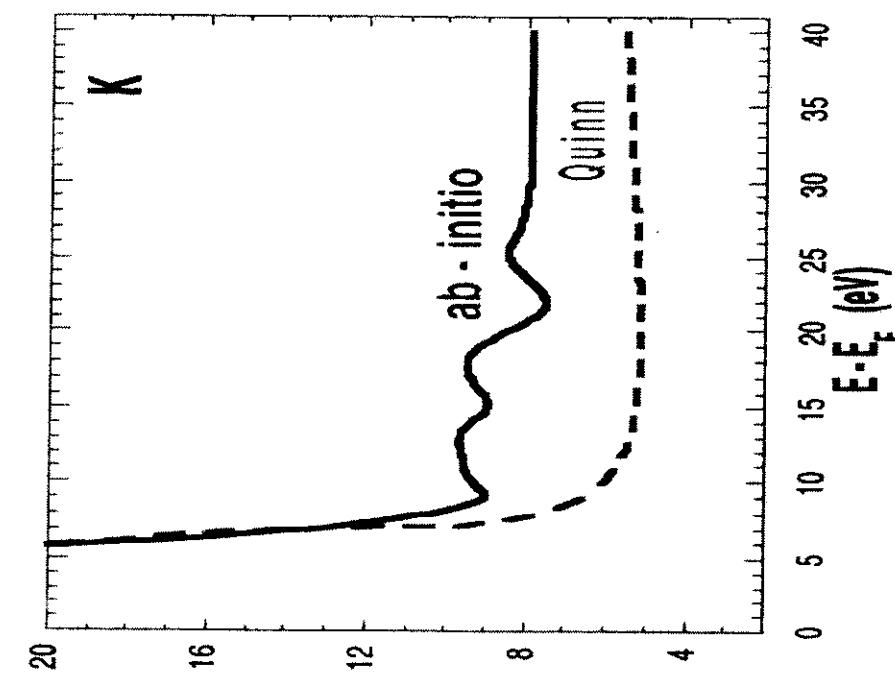
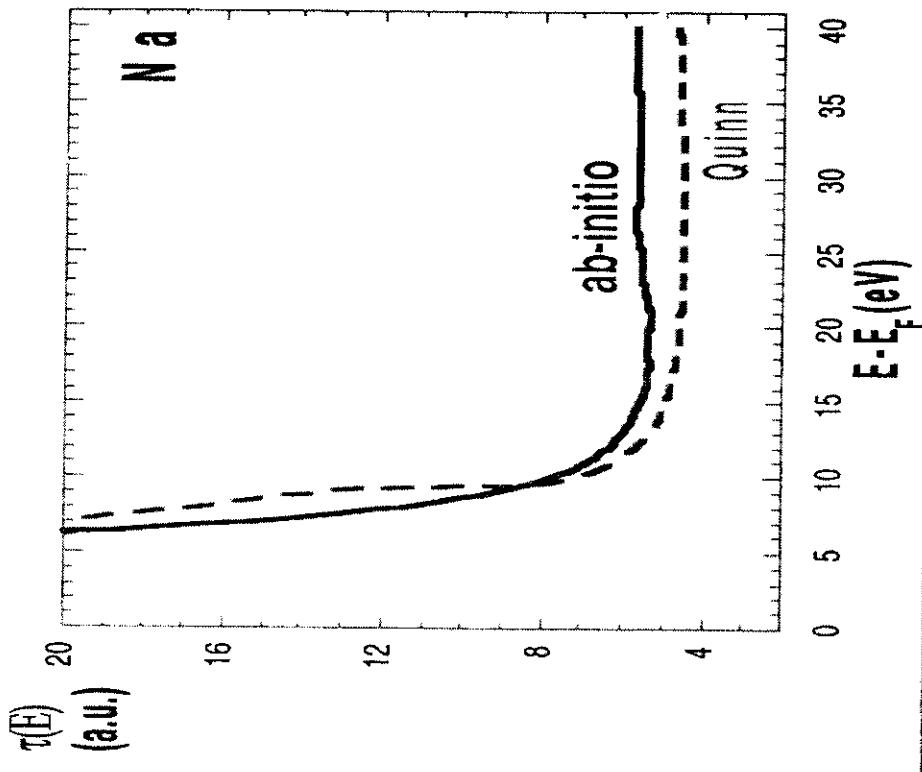


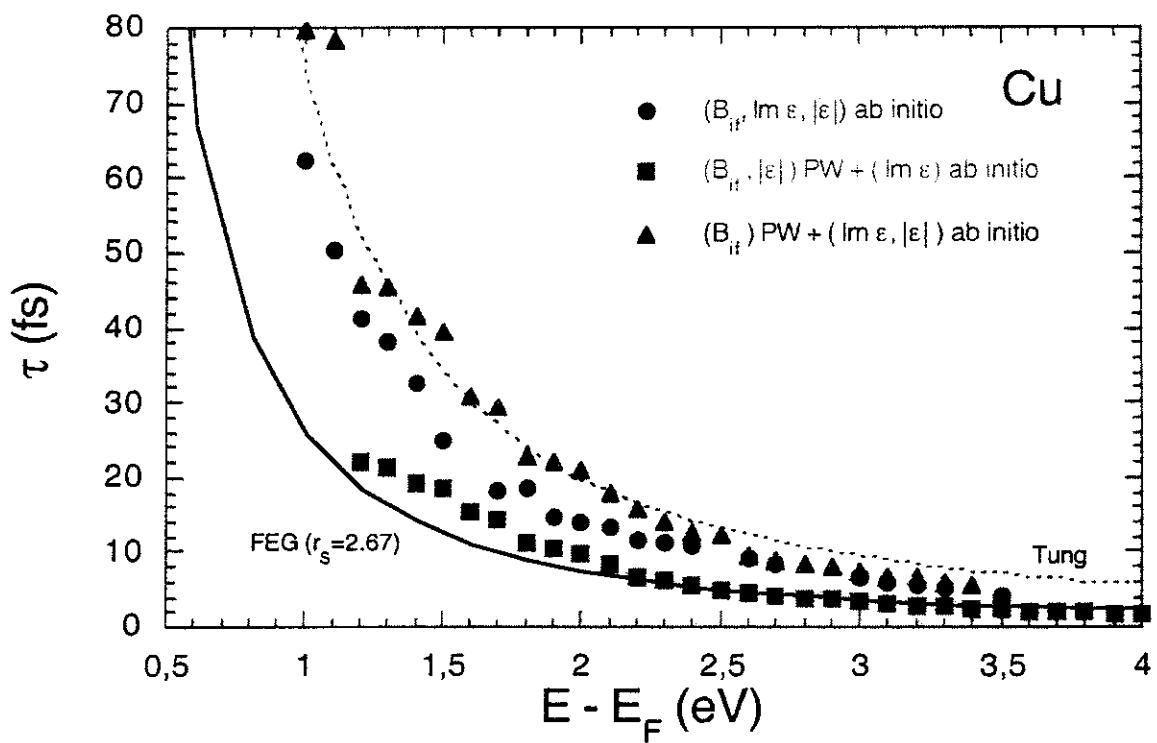


Averaged lifetimes of excited states in alkalis



Lifetimes of hot electrons in alkalis

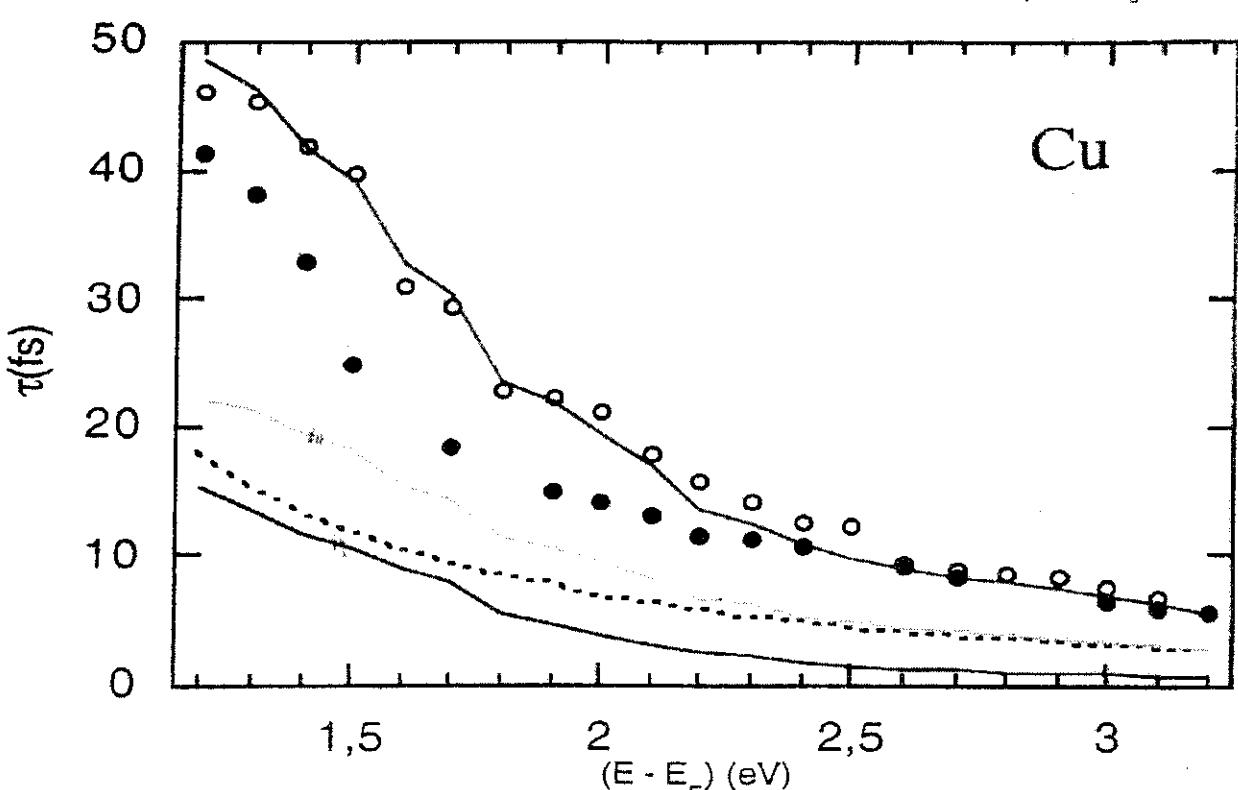
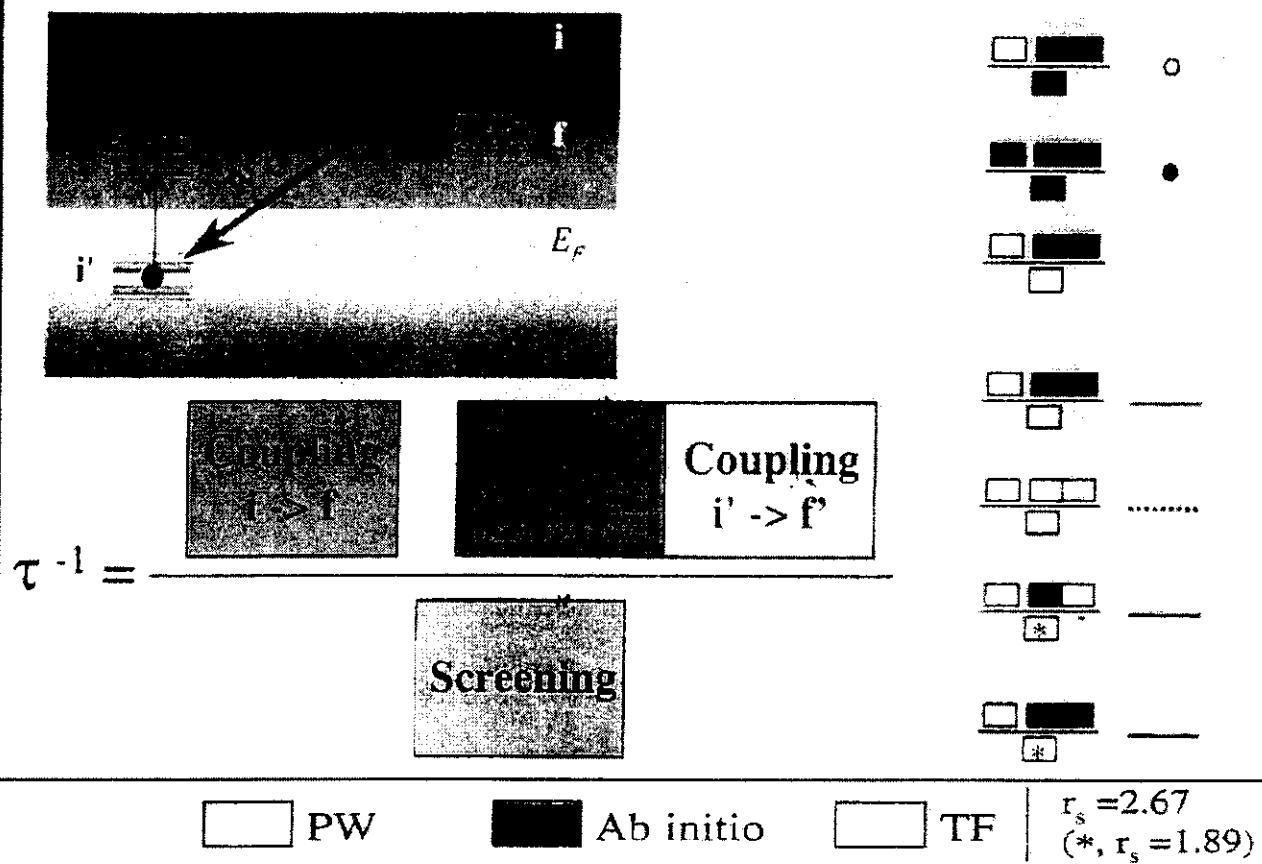


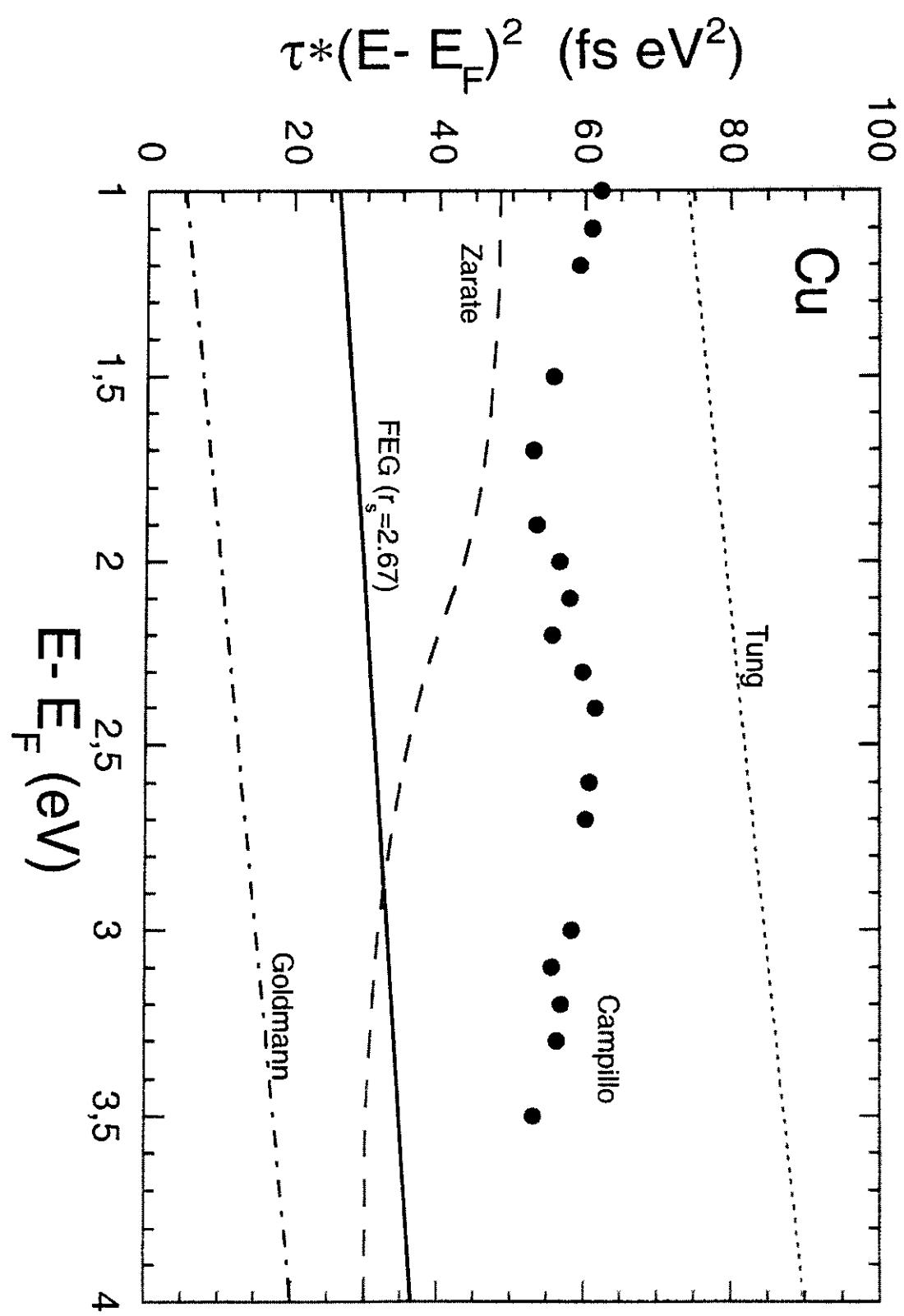


$$\tau^{-1} = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \sum_f' \int_{BZ} d\mathbf{q} \sum_G \frac{|B_{if}(\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G})|^2}{|\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{G}|^2} \times \frac{\text{Im} [\epsilon_{G,G}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)]}{|\epsilon_{G,G}(\mathbf{q}, \omega)|^2}.$$

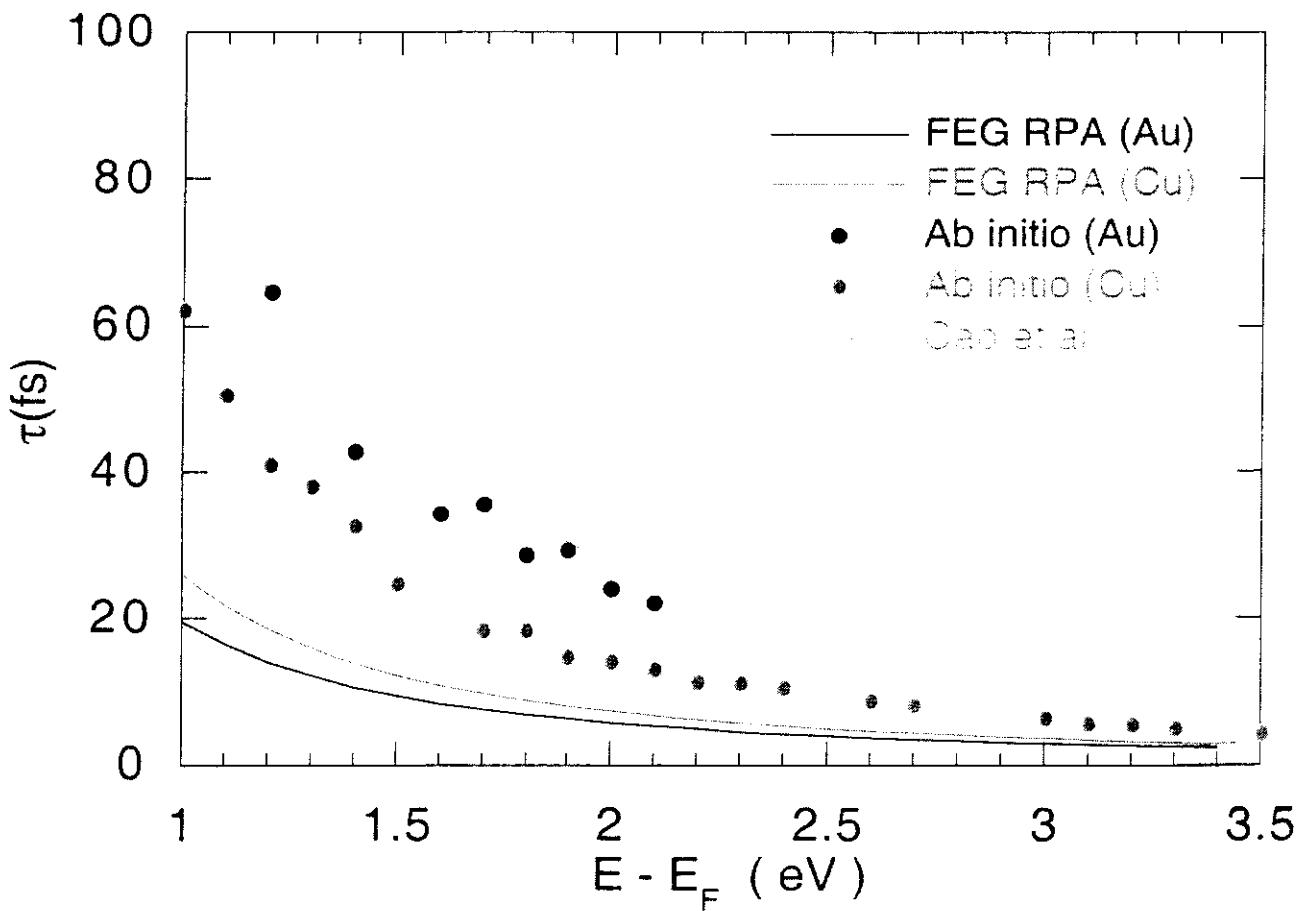
B_{if}	$\text{Im}[\epsilon_{G,G}]$	$ \epsilon_{G,G} $	figure
PW	PW	PW	— (RPA)
<i>ab initio</i>	<i>ab initio</i>	<i>ab initio</i>	●
PW	<i>ab initio</i>	PW	■
PW	<i>ab initio</i>	<i>ab initio</i>	▲

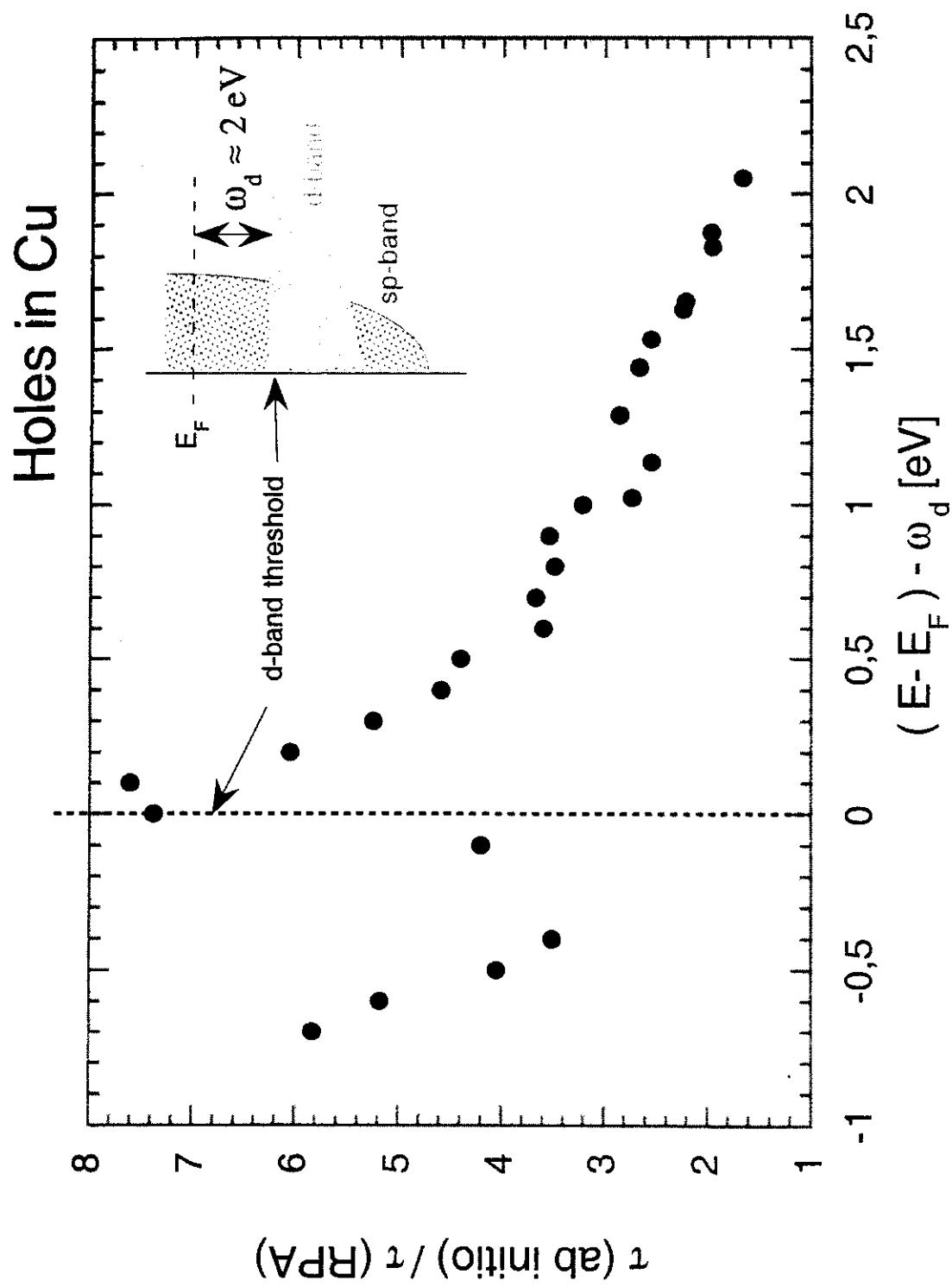
Hot electrons in Cu

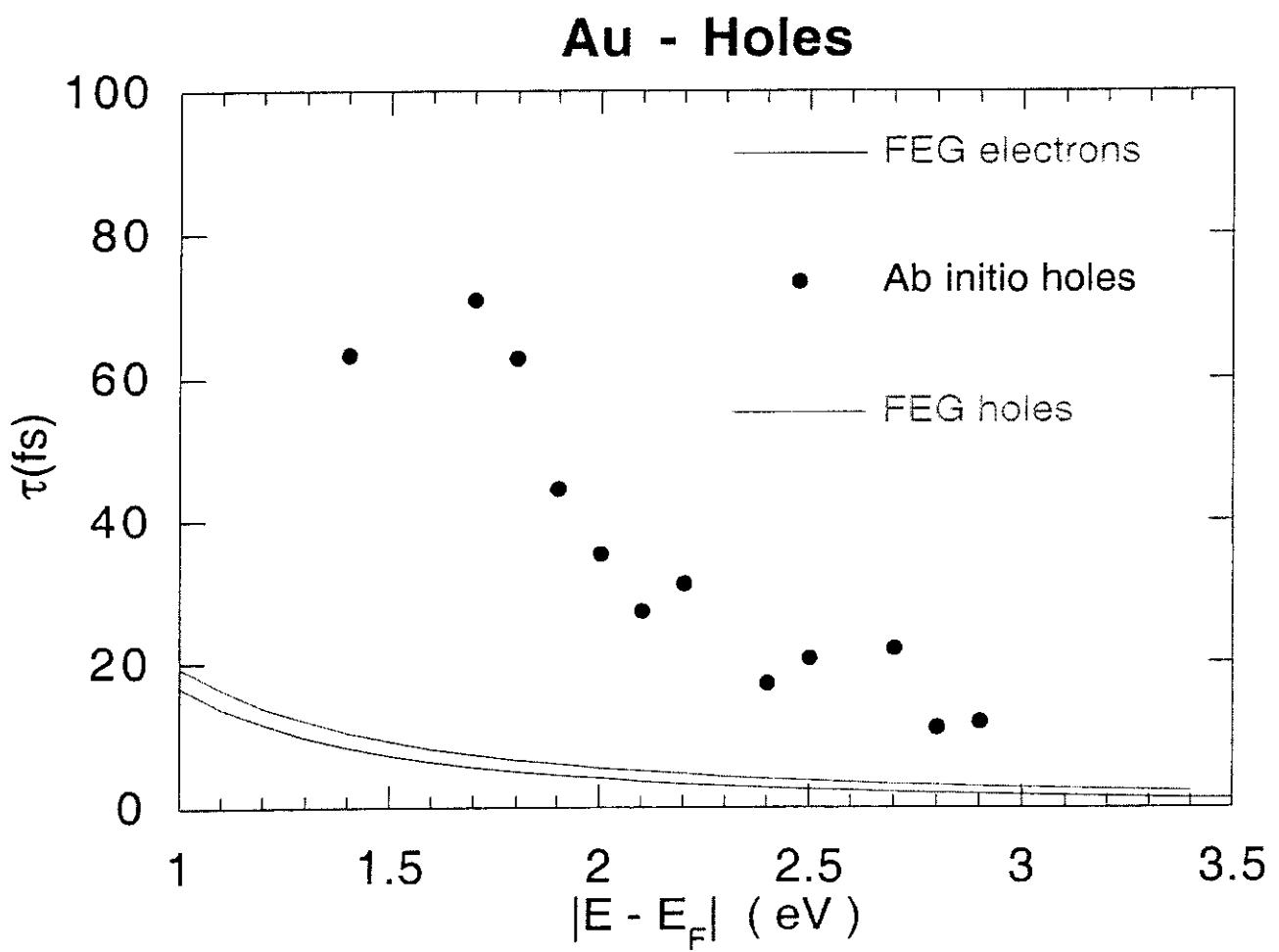




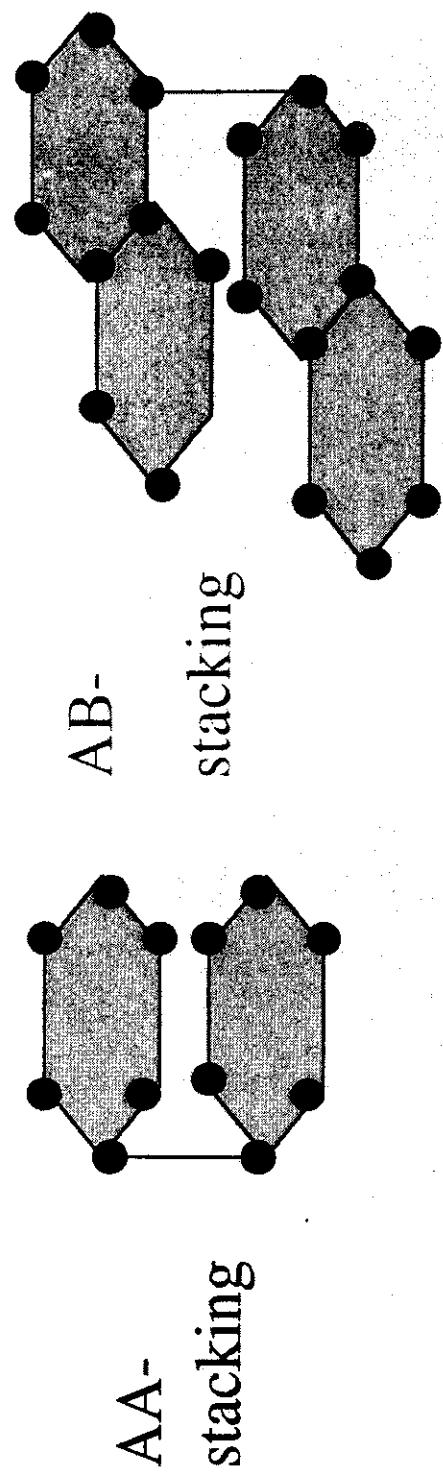
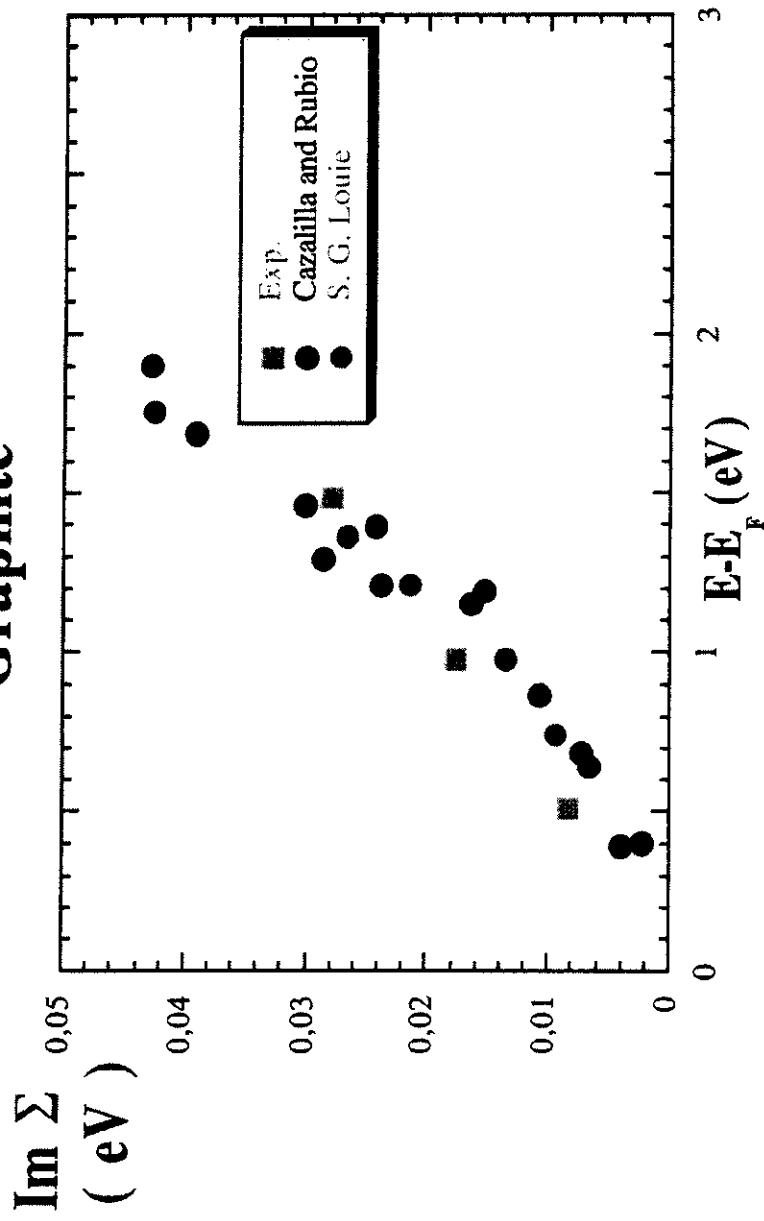
Gold lifetimes





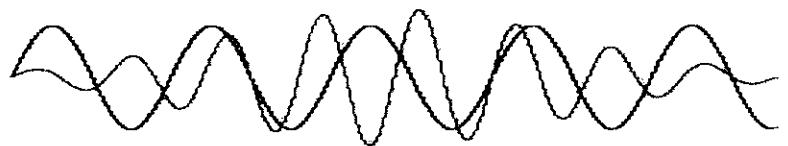


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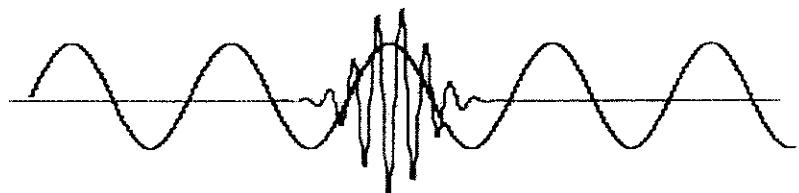
Lifetime of localized states

Extended state

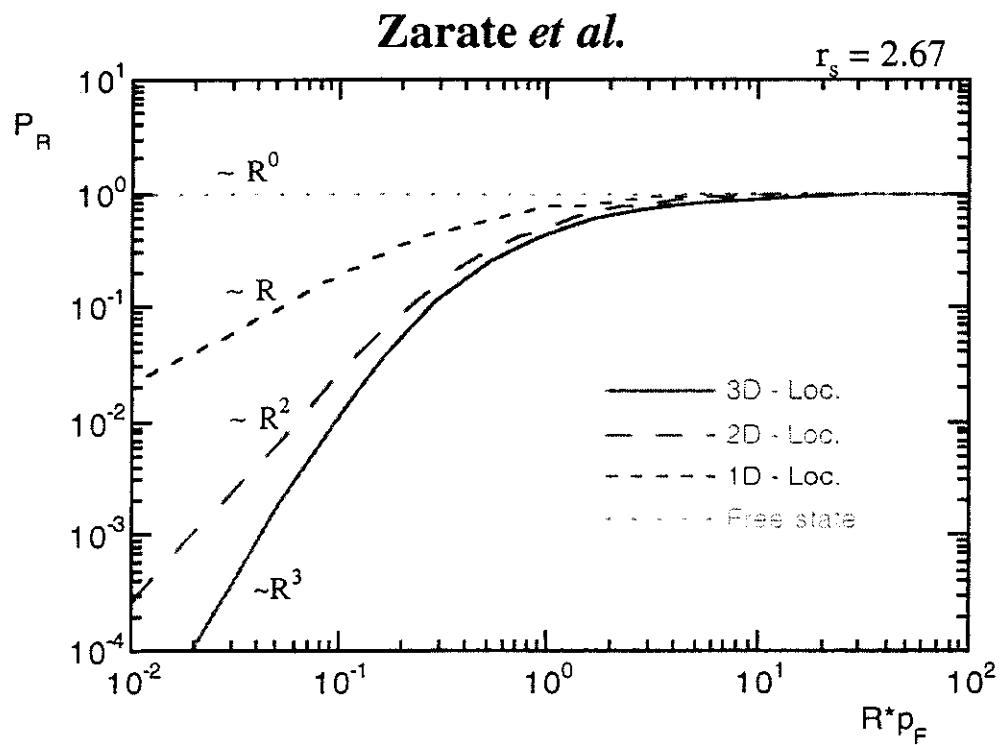


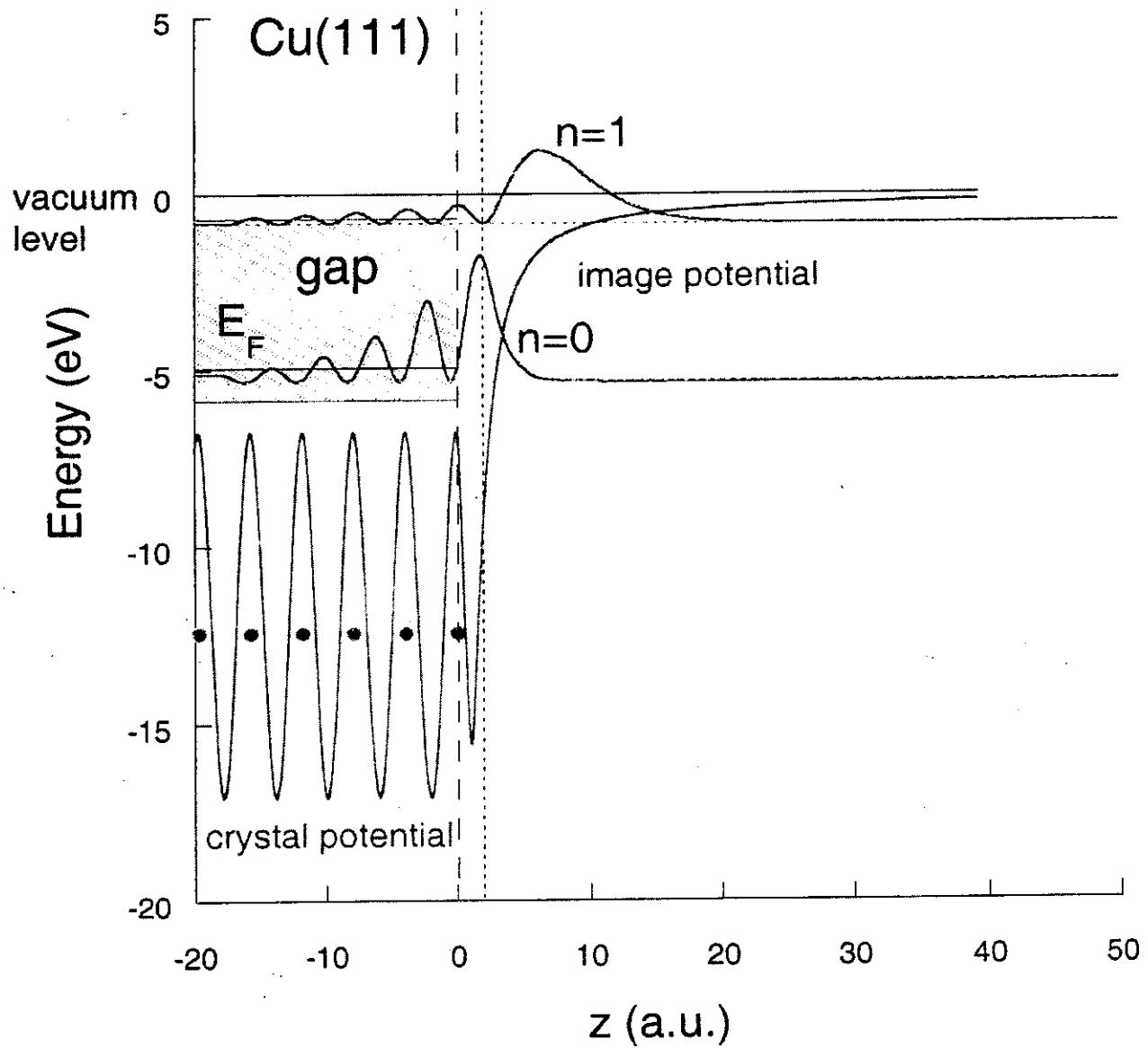
Big overlap => Short lifetimes

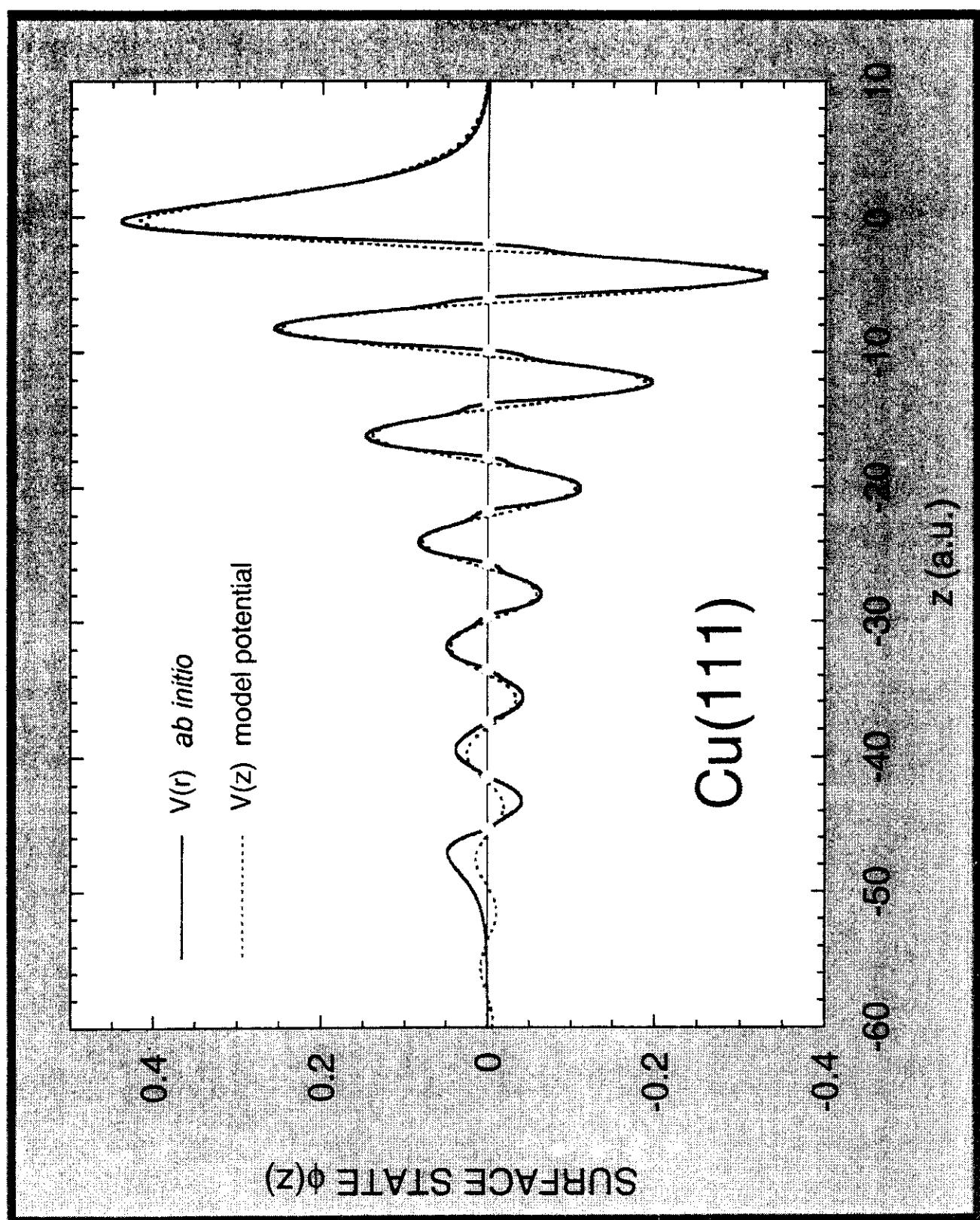
Localized state



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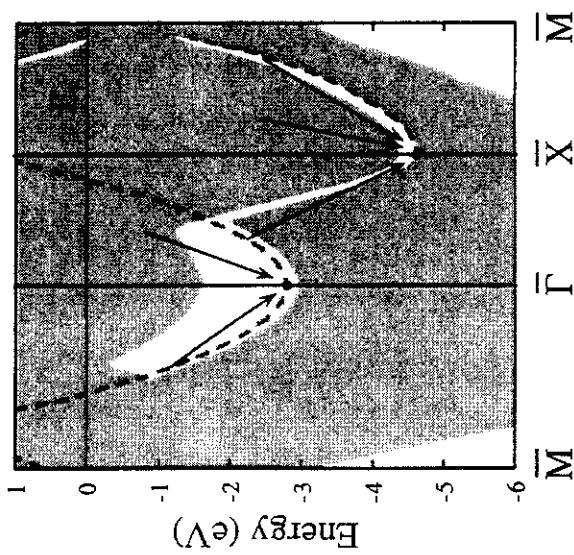




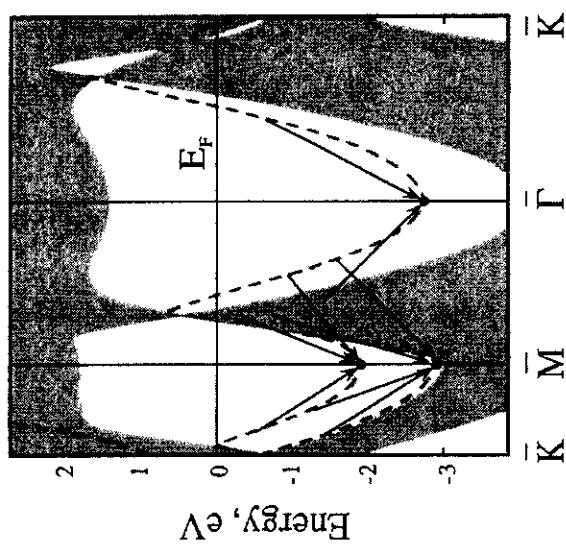
Very often a simplified model throws more light on the real workings of nature than any number of "ab initio" calculations of individual situations, which, even where correct, often contain so much detail as to conceal rather than reveal reality. It can be a disadvantage rather than an advantage to be able to compute or measure too accurately, since often when one measures or computes is irrelevant in terms of mechanism after all, the perfect computation simply reproduces Nature, it does not explain her.

P. W. Anderson (1978) Nobel Lecture

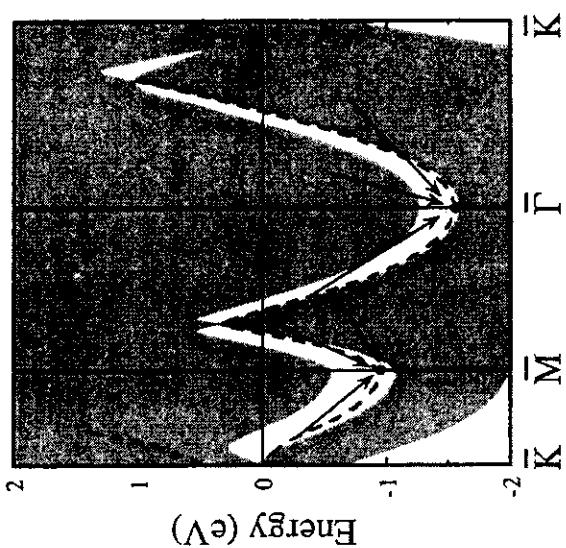
Al(001) Surface Band Structure



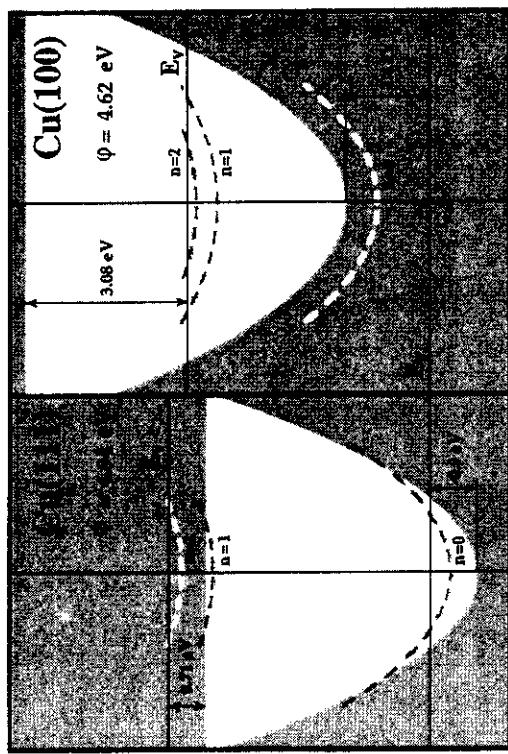
Be(0001) Surface Band Structure



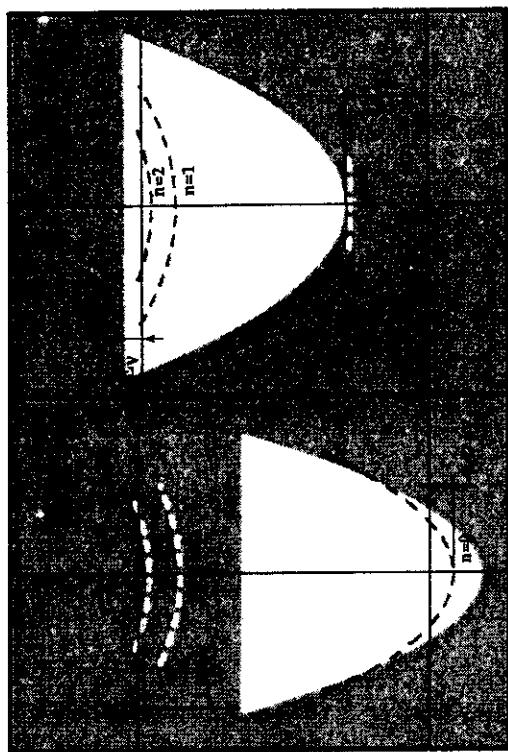
Mg(0001) Surface Band Structure



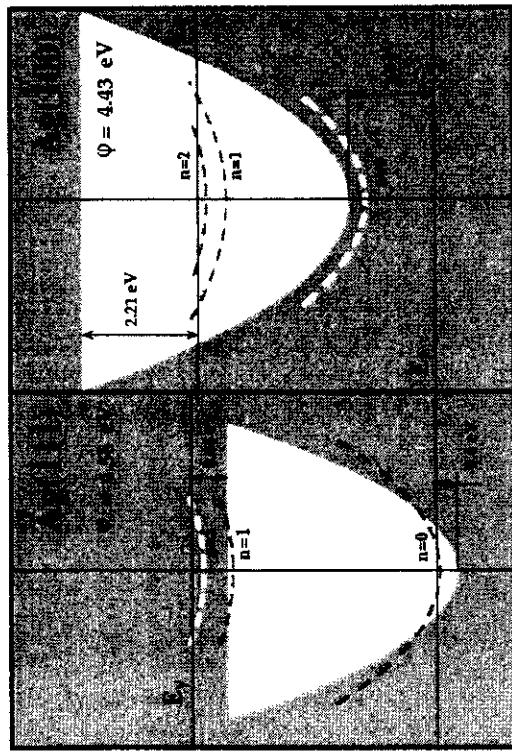
Cu(111) and Cu(100) Surface Band Structure



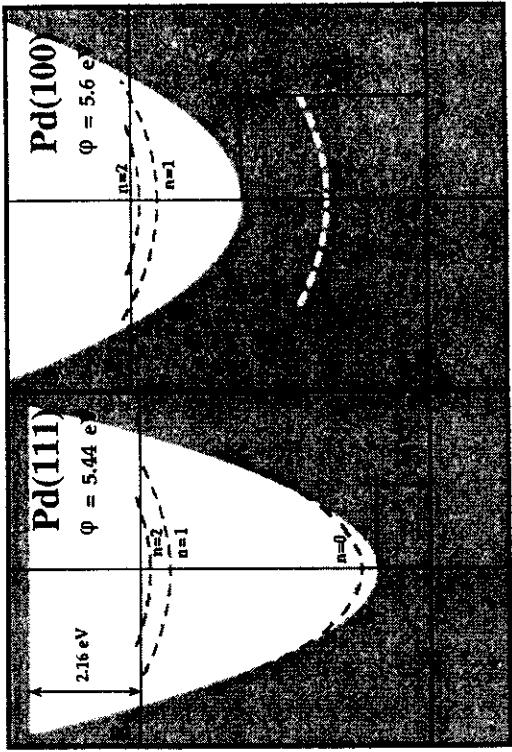
Au(111) and Au(100) Surface Band Structure



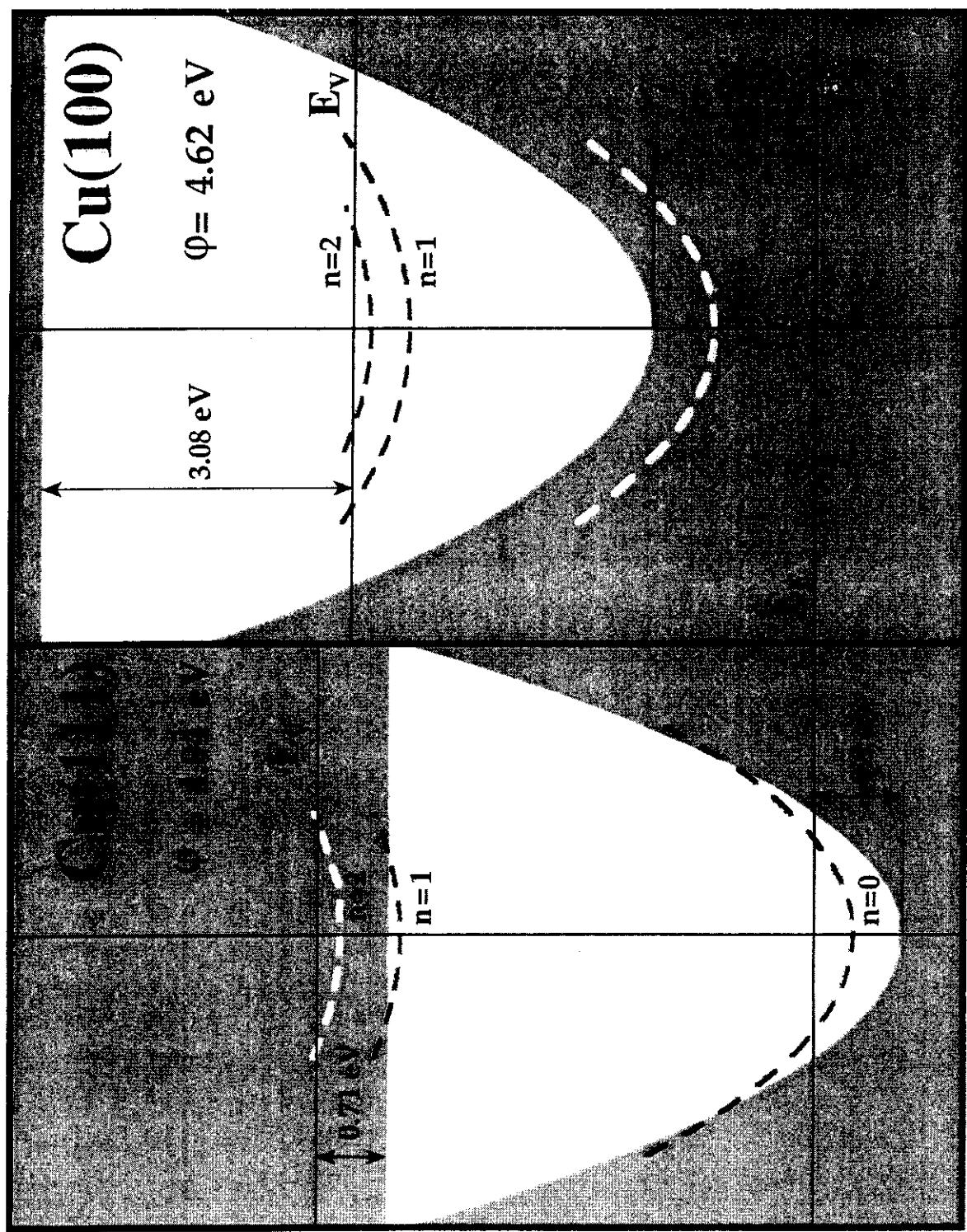
Ag(111) and Ag(100) Surface Band Structure



Pd(111) and Pd(100) Surface Band Structure



Cu(111) and Cu(100) Surface Band Structure



Density Of States vs. Screening

Density of states

More DOS

Shorter lifetimes

Screening

More DOS

Longer lifetimes



3D (Quinn 1962)

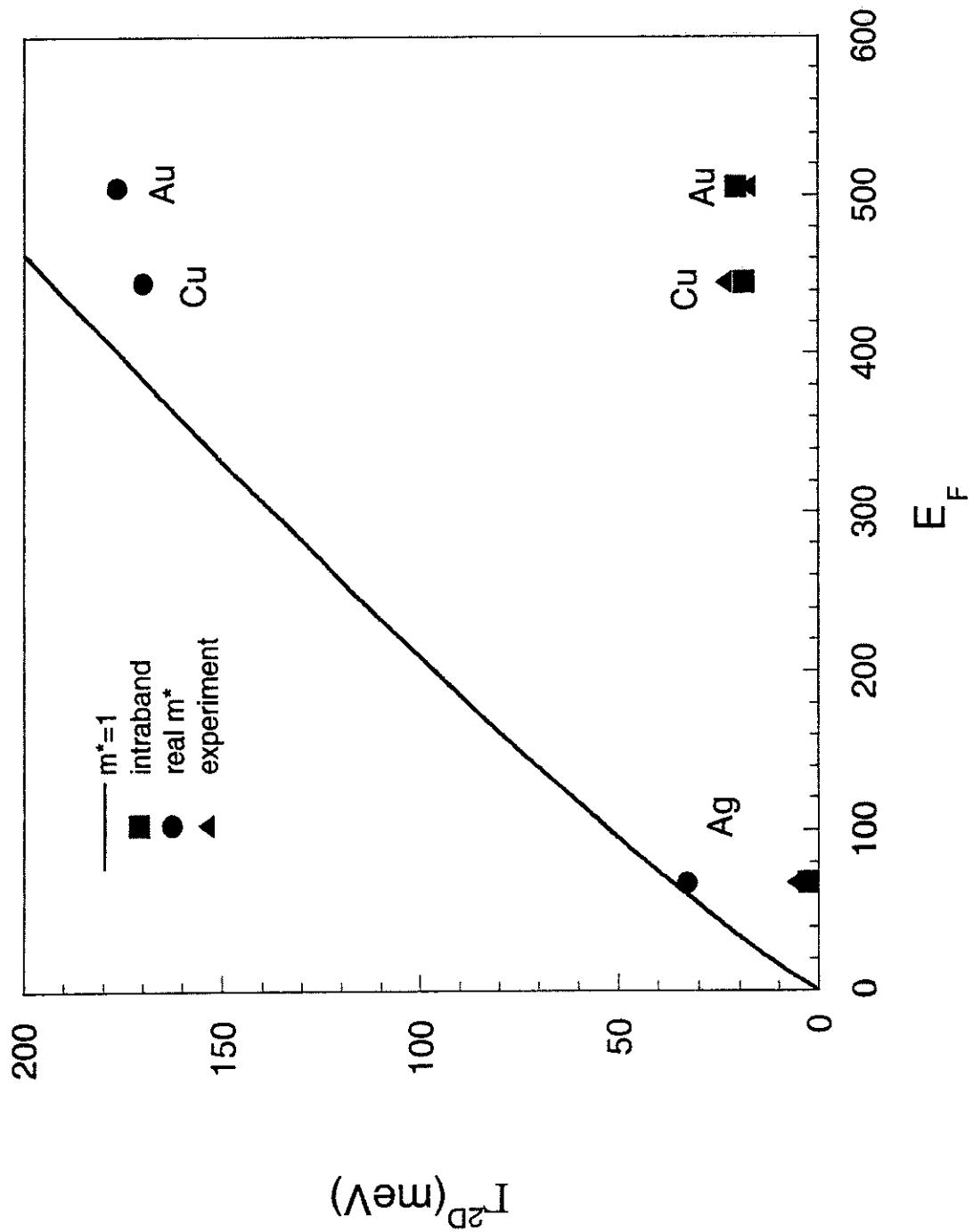
$$\tau \approx \frac{263.3 \cdot r_s^{-5/2}}{(E - E_F)^2} [fs]$$
$$\approx \frac{1.97 \cdot E_F^{5/4}}{(E - E_F)^2} [fs]$$

2D (Giuliani, Quinn 1982)

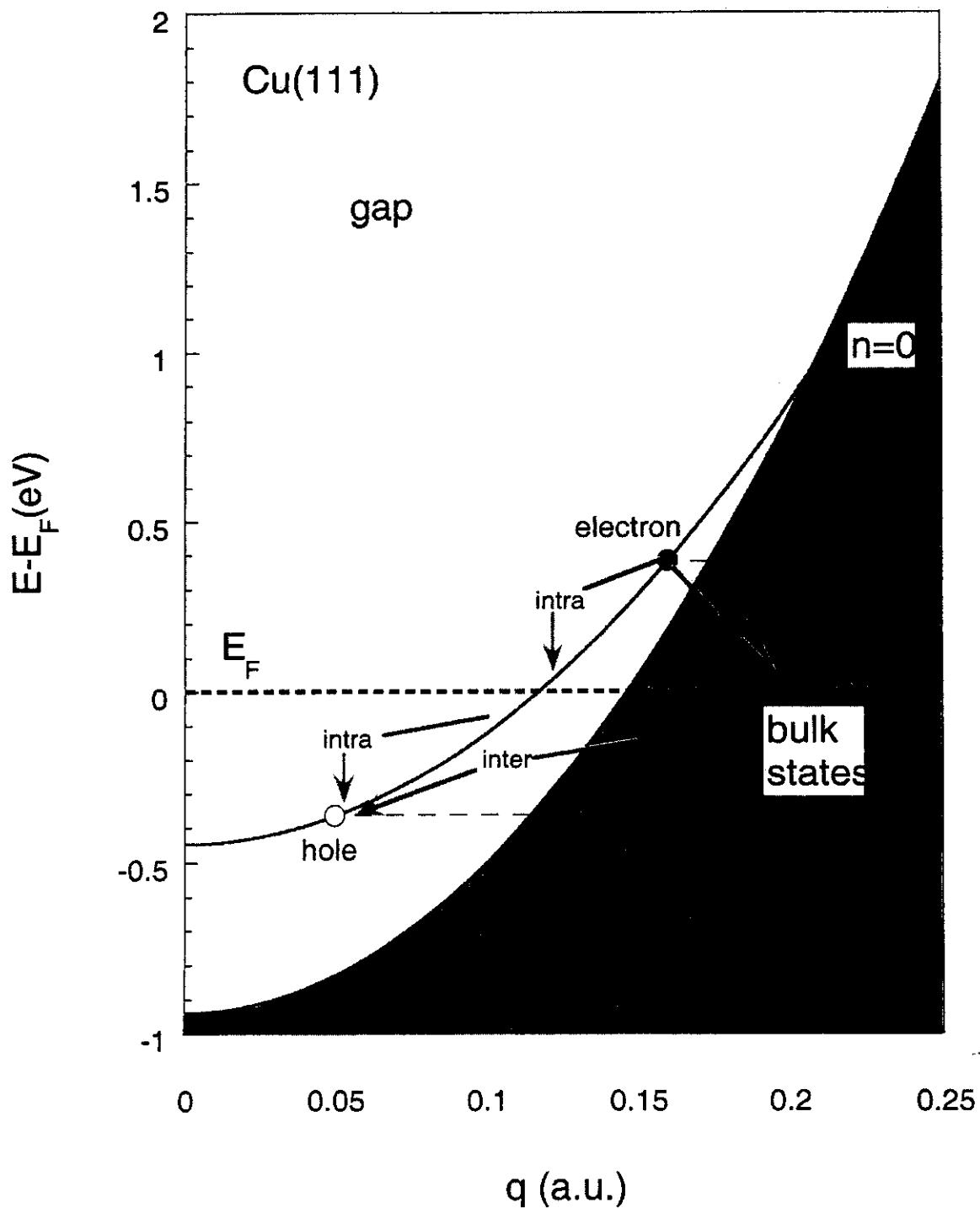
$$\tau \approx \frac{16.6 \cdot E_F}{(E - E_F)^2}$$
$$\times [6.4 - \ln(E_F / m^*) + 2 \ln(\frac{E - E_F}{E_F})]^{-1} [fs]$$

(r_s and m^* in a.u.; Energy in eV)

2D LINEWIDTH AT GAMMA POINT



Cu(111) band structure



Experiments vs. theory

- ◆ Holes ($\bar{\Gamma}$) : Theilemann et al. (1997) ;
Kliewer et al. (2000)

Theoretical models (3D electron gas) predict significantly longer lifetimes than are observed with STM and photoelectron spectroscopy

FLT: longer lifetimes: factors of 4 in Cu (111)

- ◆ Electrons (Γ): Burgi et al. PRL (1994)

“Experimental values are comparable to the corresponding bulk electron lifetimes.

This indicates that electron-electron interaction of hot surface state electrons with the Fermi sea is dominated by the underlying bulk electrons.”

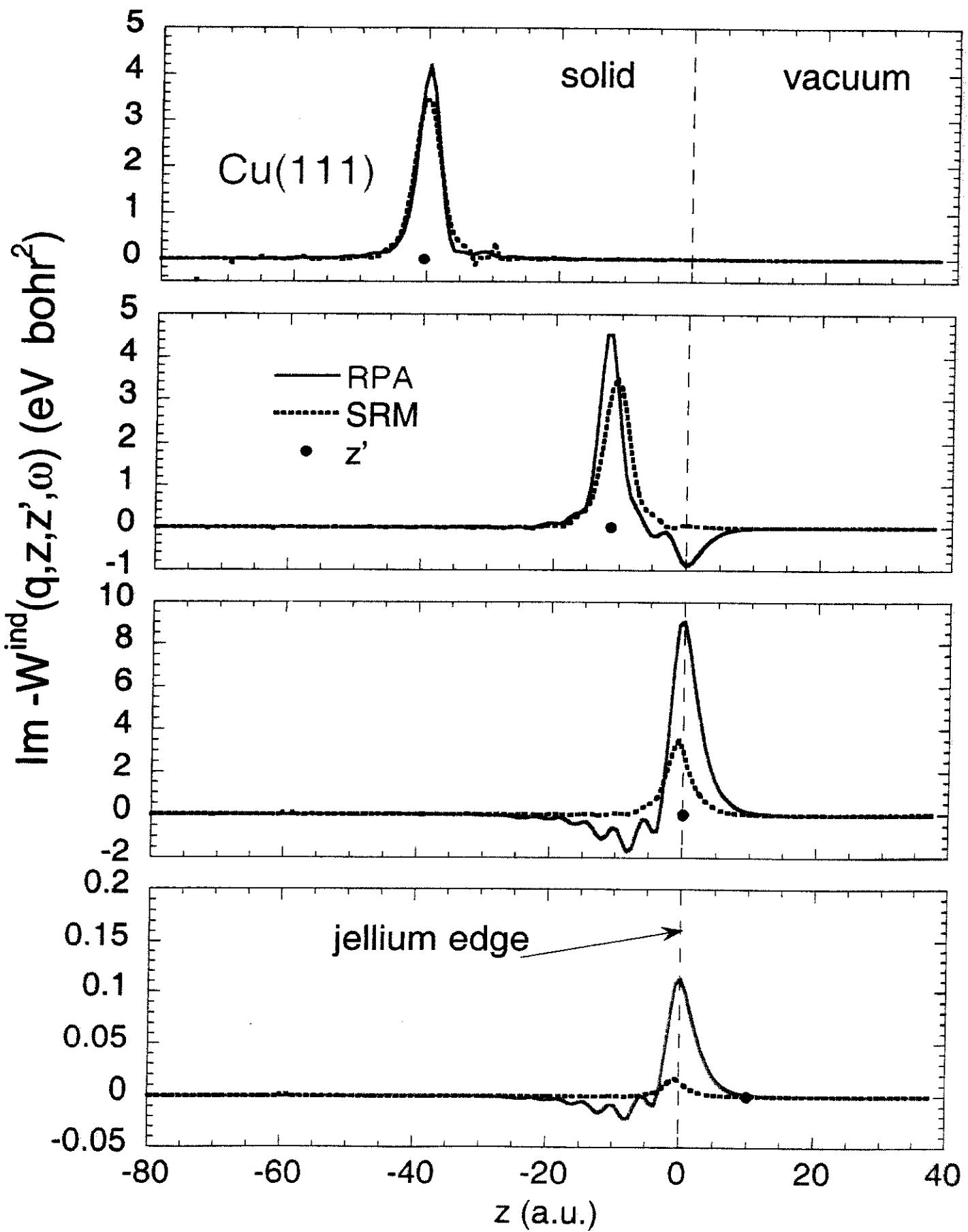
FLT: longer lifetimes (~ 30%)

$\tau \Delta^2 \sim 17.1$ (22.4 fs) in Cu (111)

New physical picture

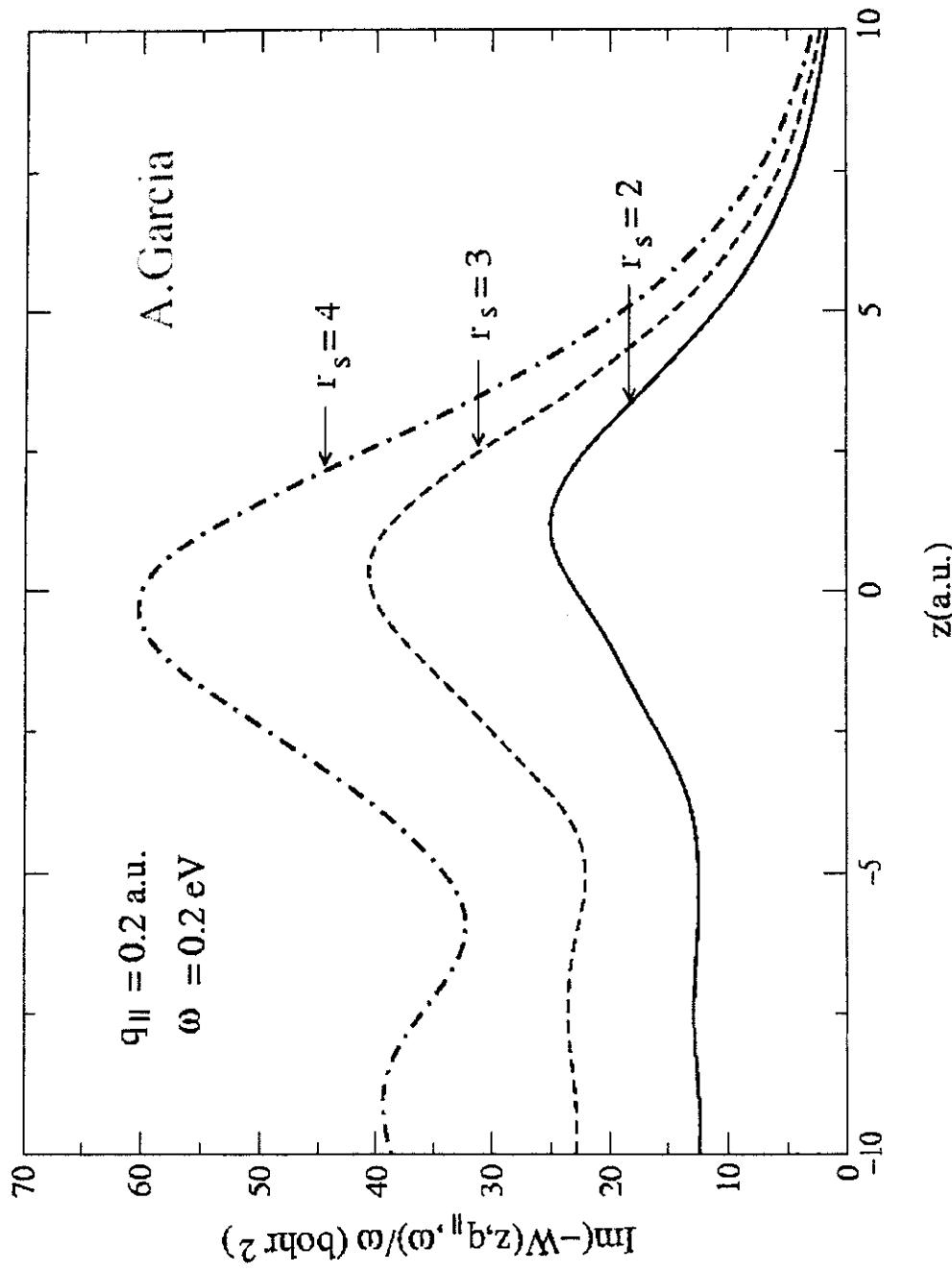
**New physical picture to emerge has
two-dimensional decay channels
contributing in an important manner
(dominating in the case of holes) to
electron-electron interaction that
contribute to the decay, screened by
the electron states of the underlying
three-dimensional electron system**

Imaginary part of screened interaction
 $q = 0.5$ a.u.; $\omega = 0.5$ eV

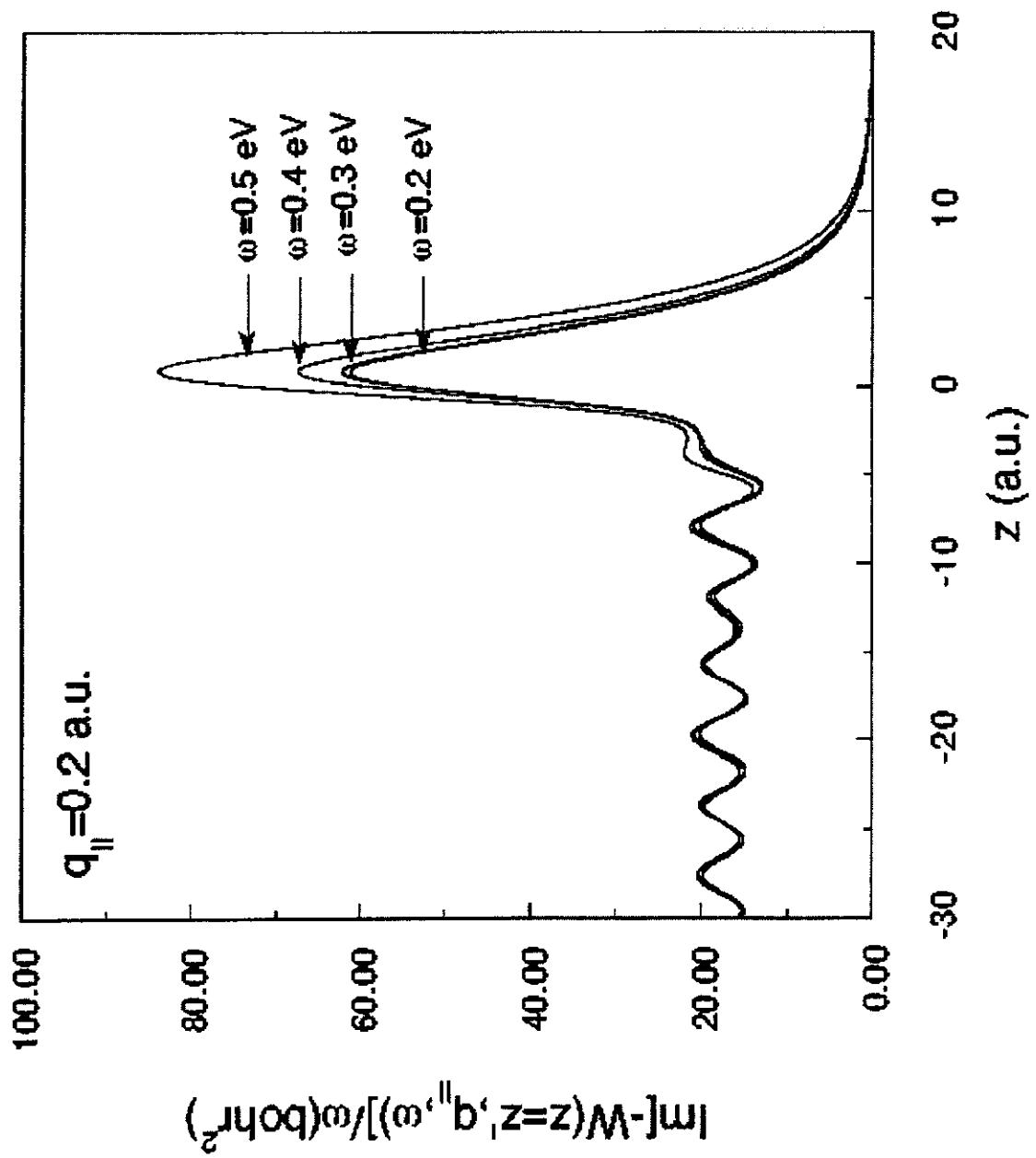


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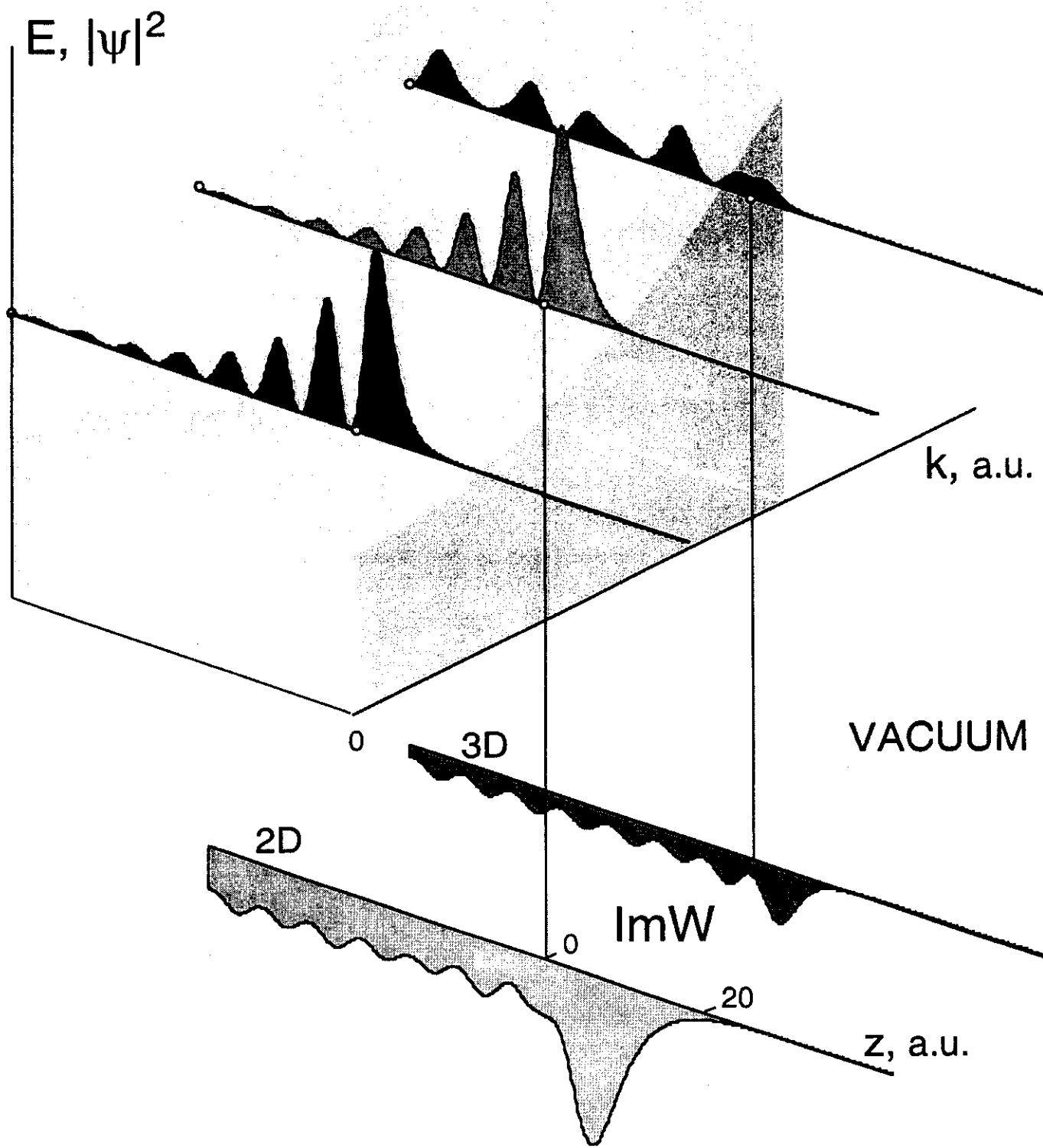
$q_{\parallel} = 0.2 \text{ a.u.}$
 $\omega = 0.2 \text{ eV}$



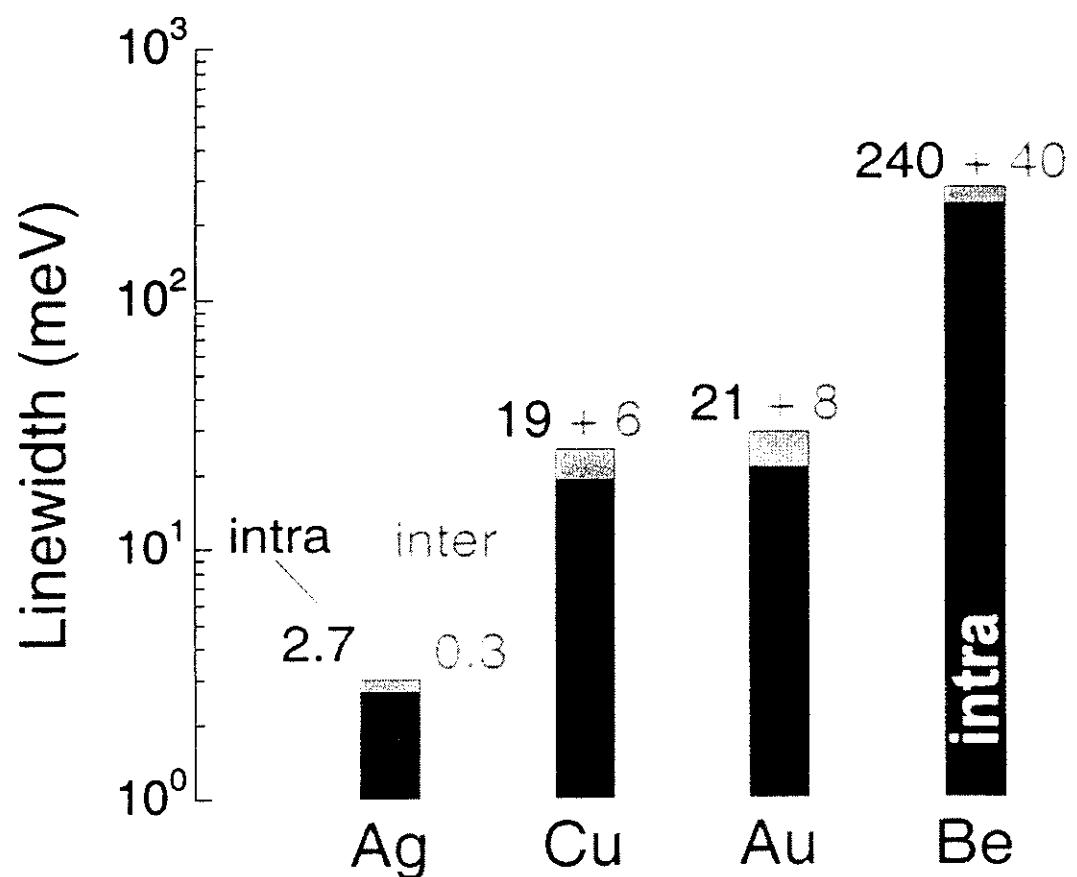
Cu(111)



Imaginary Part of the Screened Interaction for Surface and Bulk Transitions



Intrinsic surface state at Γ point (Model potential calculation *)



* San Sebastian group

	Ag	Cu	Au	Be
E_B (meV)	65	445	505	2800
m^*	0.44	0.42	0.28	1.5

Line widths Γ (meV) - (1 1 1) faces - $\overline{\Gamma}$ hole

Experiment

Phonons

Theory

STM PES Bulk Surface Old New

		Debye				
Ag	6	20	5.2	4.7	5.3	7.2
Au	18	60	5.2	4.7	8.6	18.9
Cu	24	21	*	8	7.6	10.2 21.7

* Obtained by exploiting and observed correlation with LEED spot profile to extrapolate the PES line width to zero defect density (Theilmann et al. (1997))

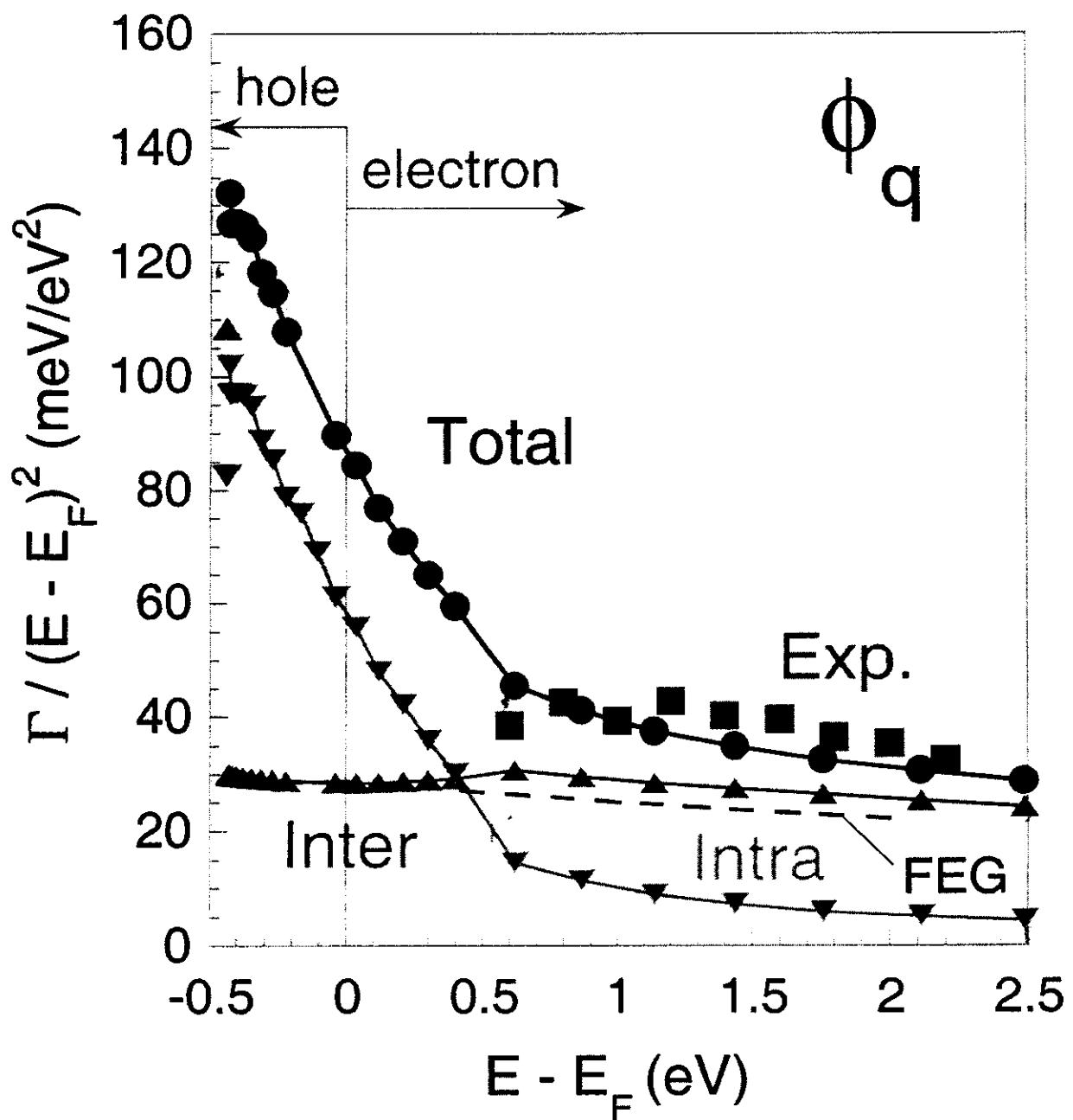
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Linewidth of intrinsic surface state on Cu(111)

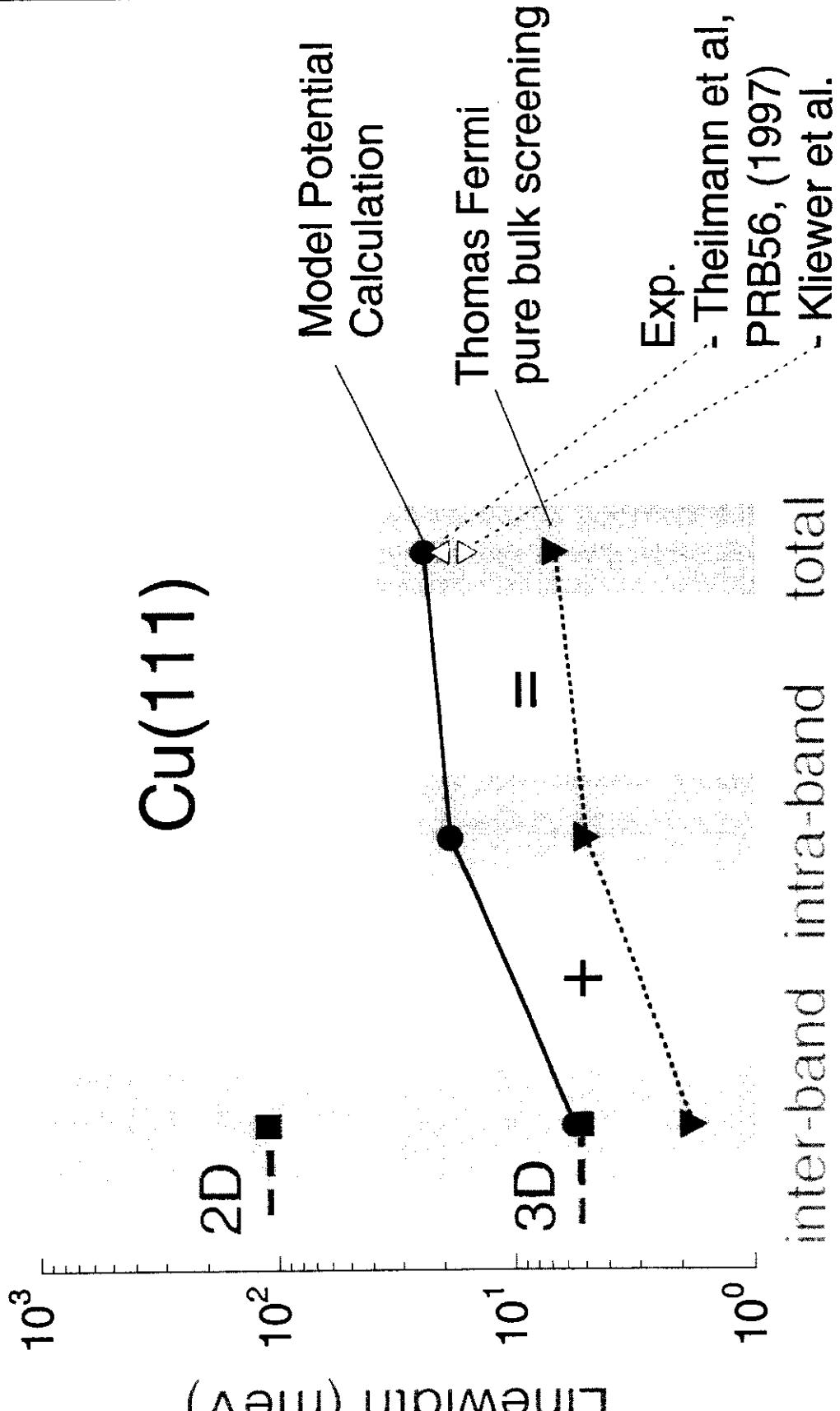


Exp.: ■ Bürgi *et al.*, (1999);
▲ [e-e] Theilmann *et al.*, (1997);
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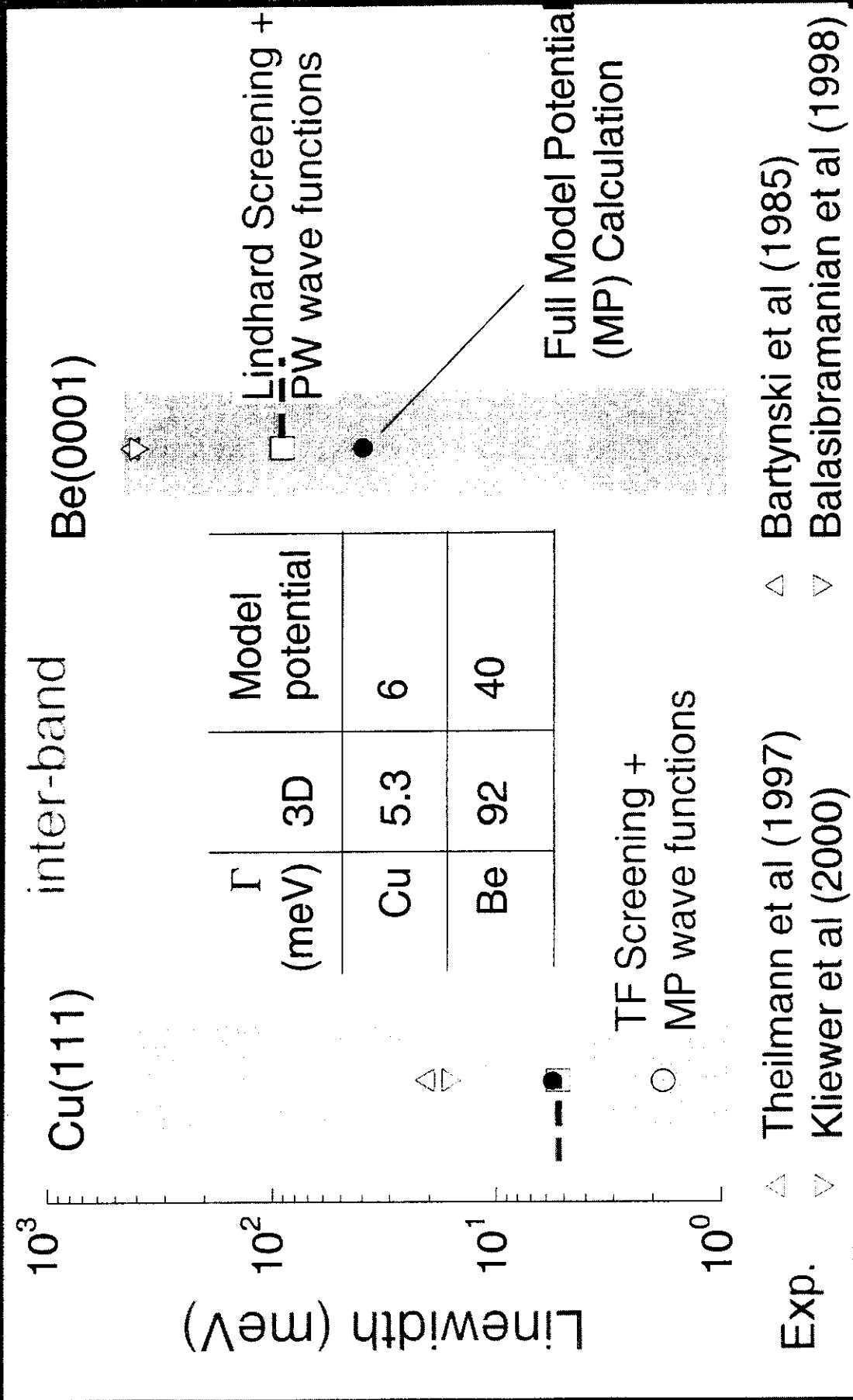
Theory: Model potential calculation and FEG (PW, 3D).

Linewidth of intrinsic surface state at $\bar{\Gamma}$ point

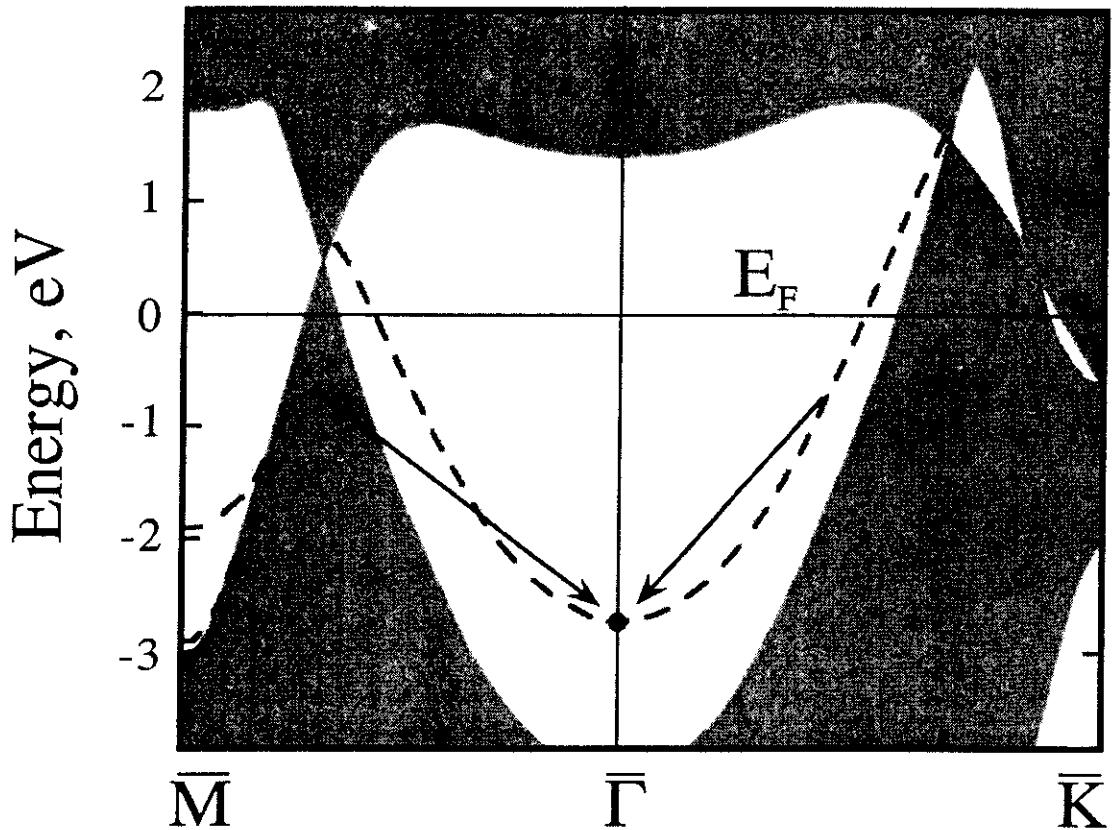
Cu(111)



Linewidth of intrinsic surface state at $\bar{\Gamma}$ point



Be(0001) Surface Band Structure



Surface State Linewidth at $\bar{\Gamma}$ in meV

Comment	Γ_{total}	$\Gamma_{\text{intraband}}$	$\Gamma_{\text{interband}}$
1 dim. screening $m^*=1.49$ k-dependence of the penetration of the surface state	280	240	40
3 dim. screening 3 dim. wave function first principles	265	225	40

“First of all, image-potential states, because of their simplicity, provide an extremely useful model to study the interaction of excited surface electronic states with the underlying substrate directly in the time domain. This coupling in turn governs the cross sections and branching ratios of practically all electronically induced adsorbate reactions at metal surfaces.

(The lifetime of the excited state is the most important “unknown” in the Menzel-Gomer-Readhead model that is commonly used to describe electronically induced desorption and dissociation processes at surfaces).

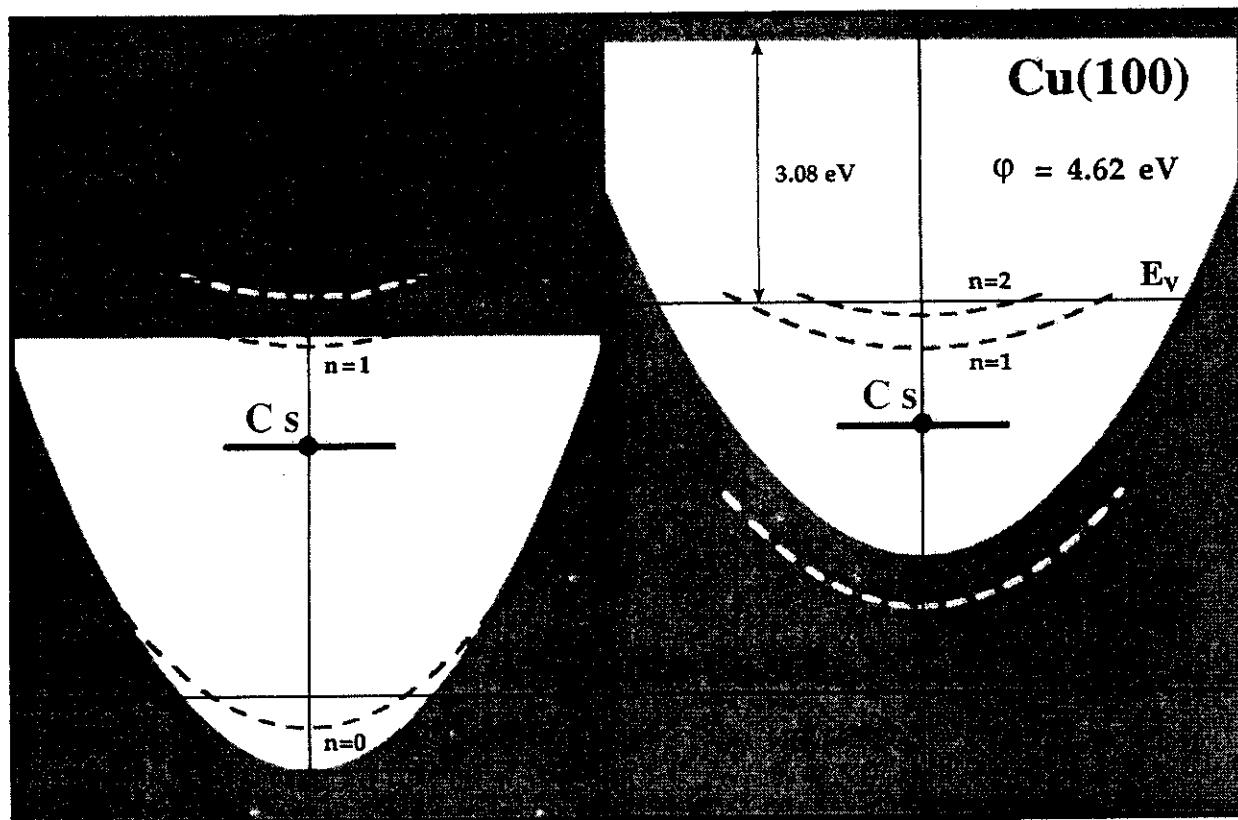
Second, there are numerous applications and extensions that come to mind...”

Ward Plummer on Science (Sept. 1997),
on the paper of **Höfer**
(same issue of Science).

IMAGE STATES LIFETIMES (fs)

		Theory	Experiment	
Cu(100)	n=1	38	40 \pm 6	U. Höfer <i>et al.</i> (1997)
	n=2	168	120 \pm 15	I.L. Shumay <i>et al.</i> (1998)
Cu(111)	n=1	17,5	18 \pm 5	M. Wolf <i>et al.</i> (1996)
	n=1		15 \pm 5	I.L. Shumay <i>et al.</i> (1998)
Resonance	n=1	23	22 \pm 3	E. Knoesel <i>et al.</i> (1998)
	n=2	28	-	
Ag(100)	n=1	38	55 \pm 5	I.L. Shumay <i>et al.</i> (1998)
	n=2	169	160 \pm 10	
	n=3	469	360 \pm 15	
Au(100)	n=1	22	-	
	n=2	93	-	
Pd(100)	n=1	11	-	
	n=2	56	-	
Pd(111)	n=1	22	25 \pm 4	A. Schäfer <i>et al.</i> (2000)
	n=2	89	-	
Ru(0001)	n=1	14	11 \pm 6	W. Berthold <i>et al.</i> (2000)
	n=2	70	60	
Li(110)	n=1	18	-	
	n=2	44	-	

Cs/Cu(111) and Cs/Cu(100) Surface Band Structure



Linewidth (meV)

	Experiment		Theory	
	M.Bauer et al ¹	S.Ogawa et al ²	Elastic ³	Inelastic
(100)	110^{+220}_{-44}	130	112	20
(111)	44^{+29}_{-13}	13	10	17

¹M.Bauer, S.Pawlak, and M.Aeschlimann, Phys. Rev. B60, 5016 (1999).

²S.Ogawa, H.Nagano, and H.Petek, Phys. Rev. Lett. 82, 1931 (1999).

³J.P.Gauyacq et al.

NONLINEAR CALCULATION OF RELAXATION RATES

OF ELECTRONS AND HOLES IN A FREE ELECTRON GAS

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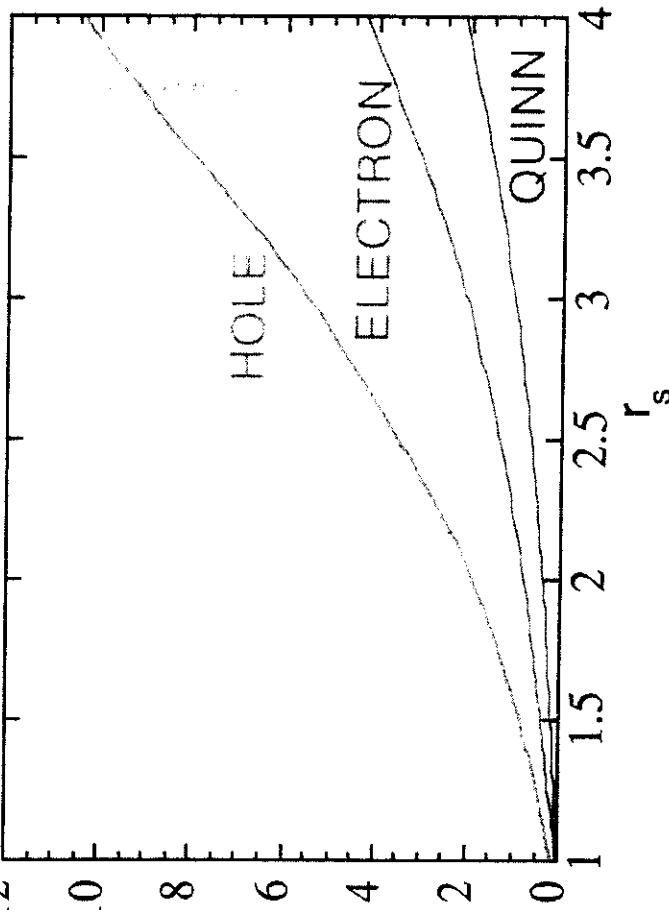
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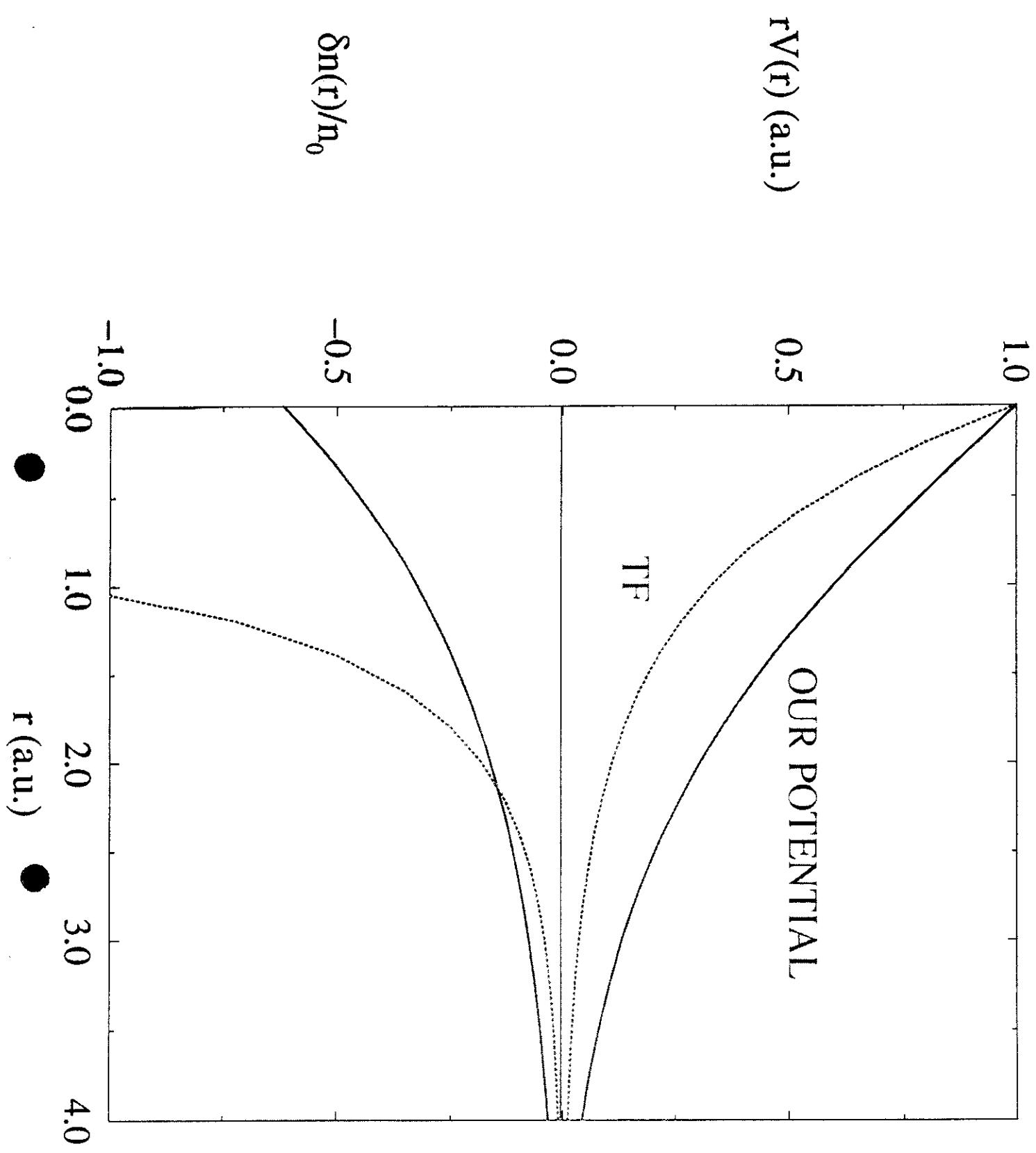
$$\Gamma/(E-E_F)^2 \text{ (a.u.)}$$

- Pines -Nozieres: kinetic (binary) model for particle-particle scattering.

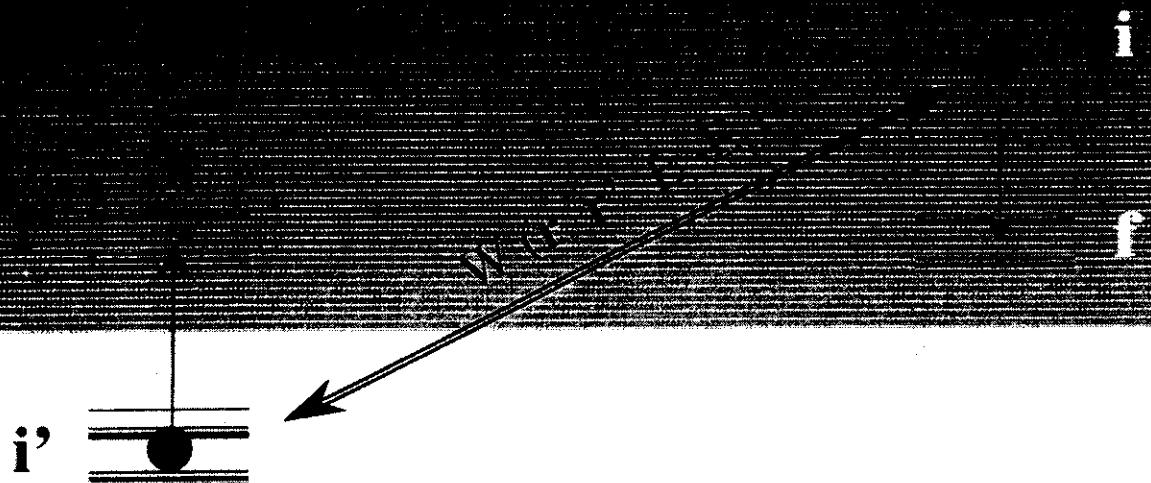
- Partial wave expansion for the scattering amplitudes (c. m. s.).

- Construction of a model effective potential:
Proper normalization of the induced charge for moving ($v=v_F$) charges.





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