Superconductivity and Flat Bands at the Fermi Level

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I discuss a few interesting superconductors with either very flat bands at the Fermi level or suspected flat bands at the Fermi level, with measurements from high resolution ARPES. I will focus on the case YFe₂Ge₂ that we showed has very heavy bands ($m_{eff}\sim 25me$) within $\sim 10meV$ of the Fermi level, which is extremely high for a non-f electron system [1]. I will discuss the origins and implications of such flat bands in these and other materials.



FIGURE 1. Very flat bands at E_F in the anomalous superconductor YFe_2Ge_2 .

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