

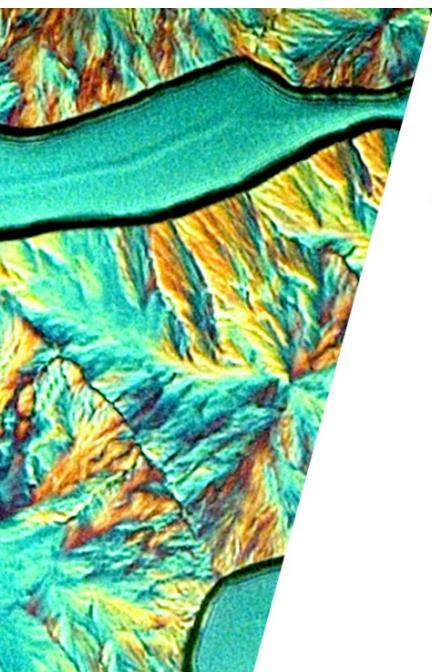
# Attosecond Spectroscopy to Track Ultrafast Electron Dynamics

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TO TRACK ULTRAFAST ELECTRON  
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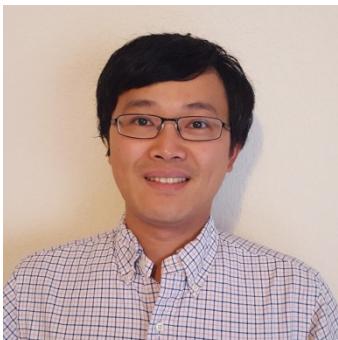
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  - “Physics of nonlinear optical materials, processes, devices, & applications”
  - **3800** members (**largest** in OIS, 3<sup>rd</sup> largest in OSA)
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# Today's webinar



## *Attosecond spectroscopy to track ultrafast electron dynamics*

### **Speaker's short Bio:**

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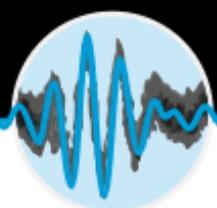
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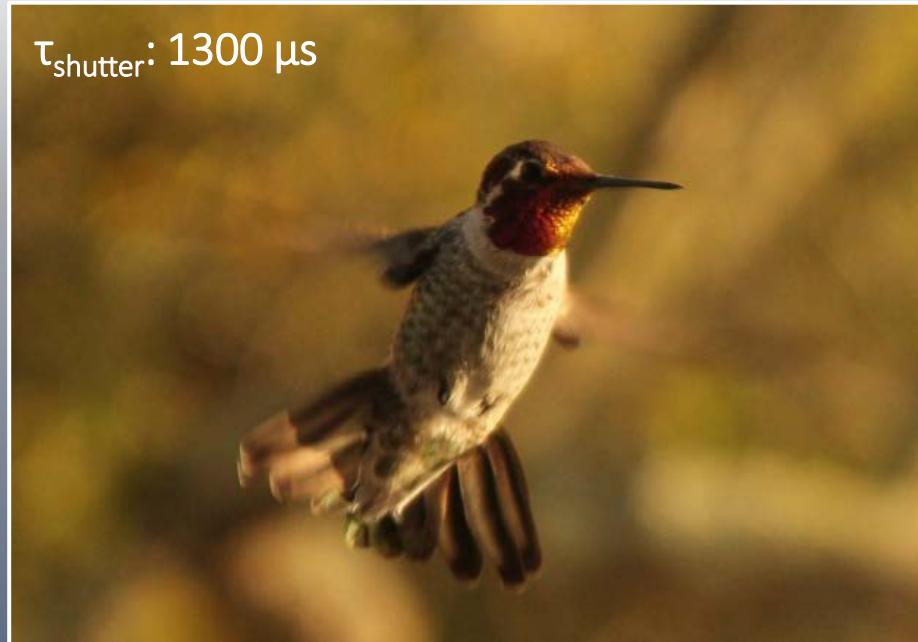
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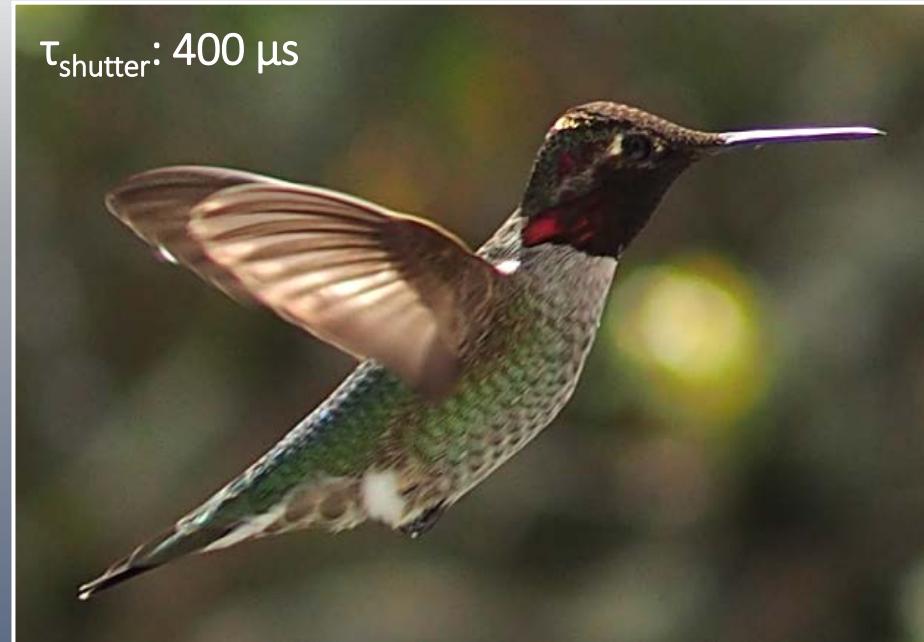
# Time-domain Measurements ?

to observe ultrafast processes

$\tau_{\text{shutter}}$ : 1300  $\mu\text{s}$

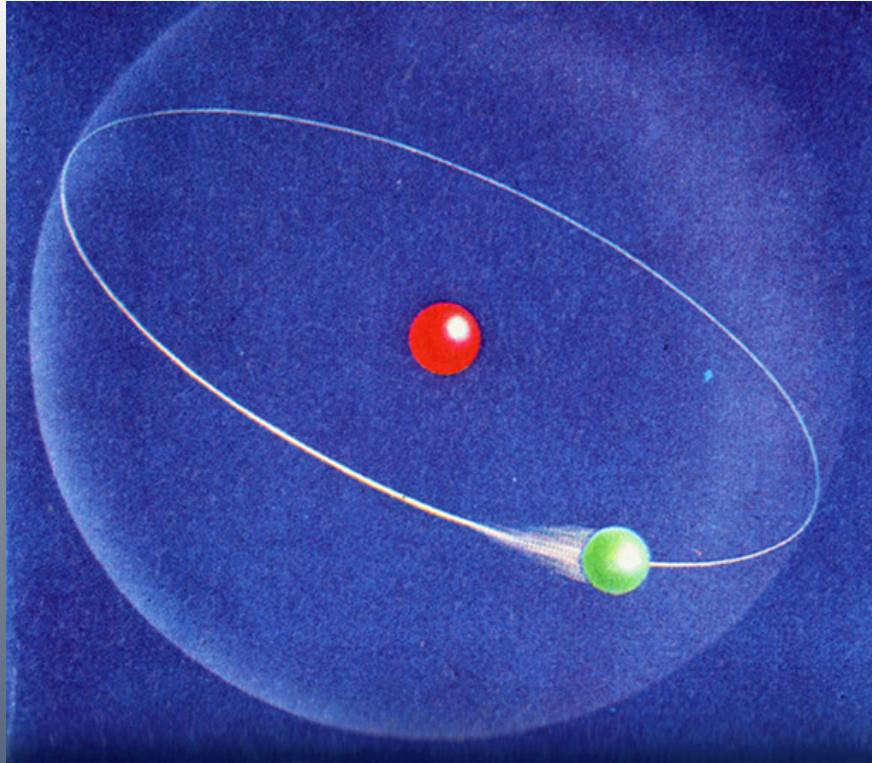


$\tau_{\text{shutter}}$ : 400  $\mu\text{s}$



# How fast do we need to get

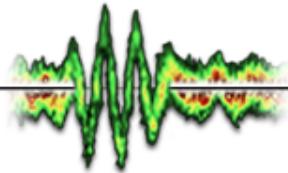
to track quantum mechanical effects in time domain?



For Hydrogen one revolution  
according to Bohr's model takes  
150 Attoseconds  
= 0.000 000 000 000 15 s

Light travels about 0.3 nm in this time interval

⇒ Approx. the size of an atom



# What do we want to know ?

**RESPONSE TIMES:**

How quickly can we switch  
between two states ?

**CORRELATIONS:**

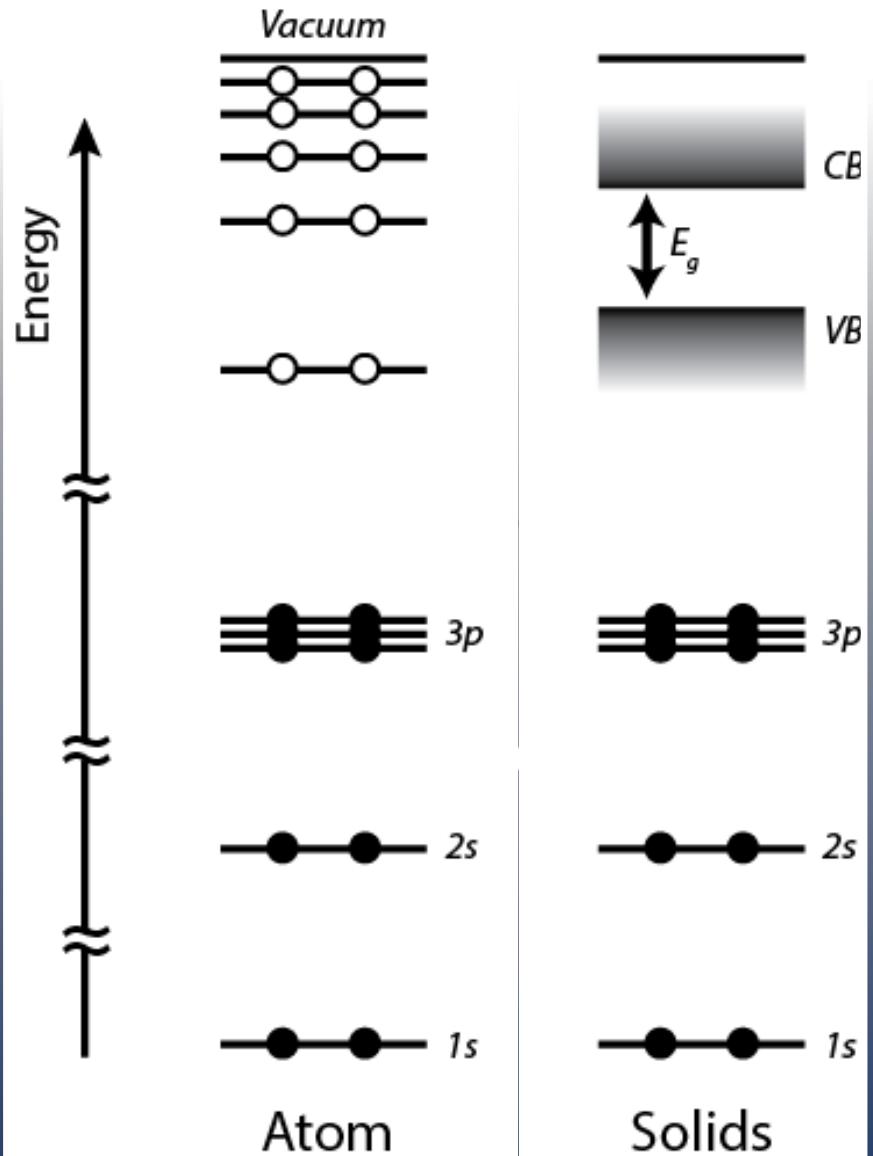
Effects of multi-electron  
interactions

**DISSIPATION:**

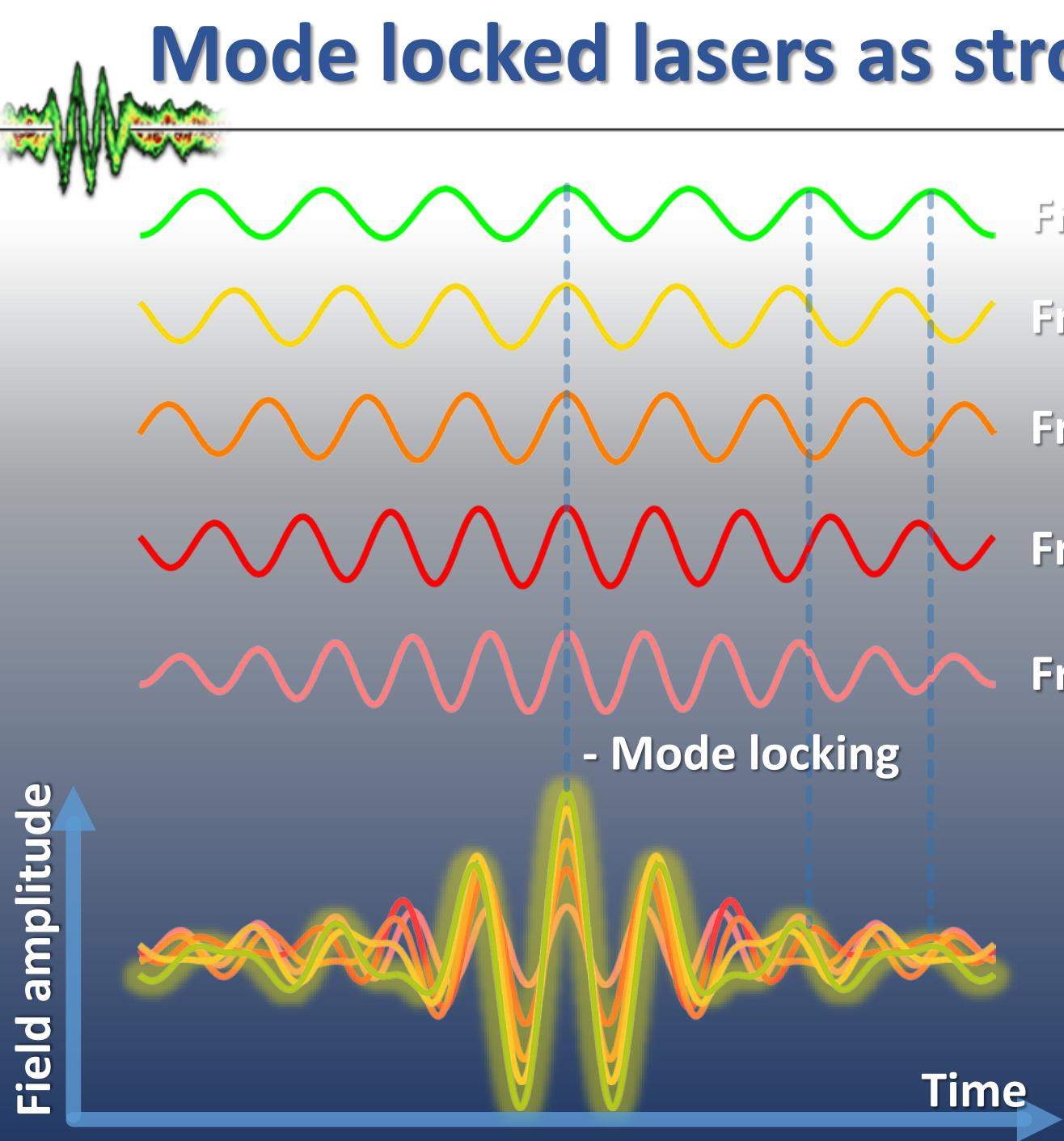
Where does the energy end up,  
and when?

**REVERSIBILITY:**

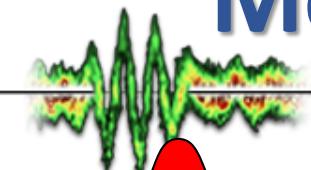
How quickly can a system return  
back into the ground state?



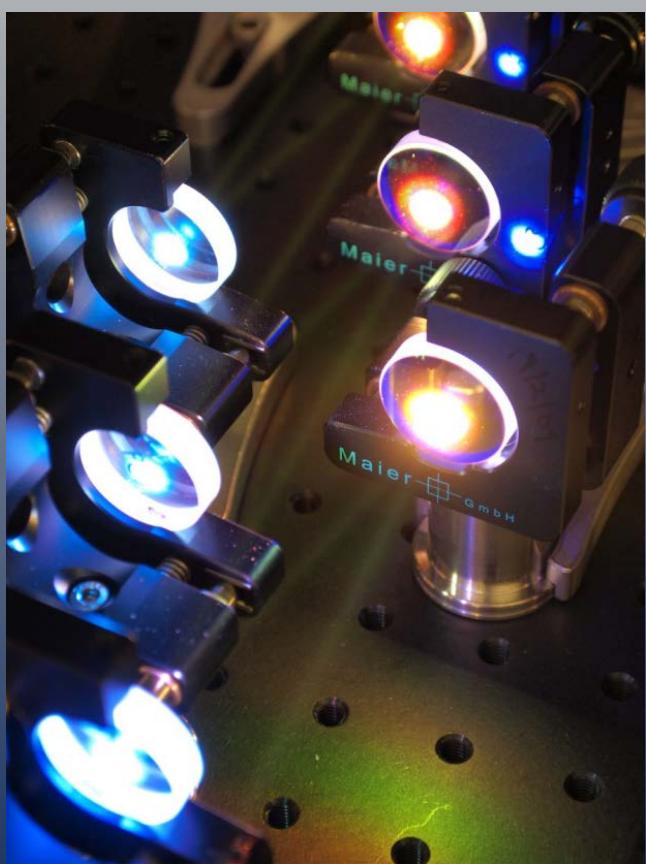
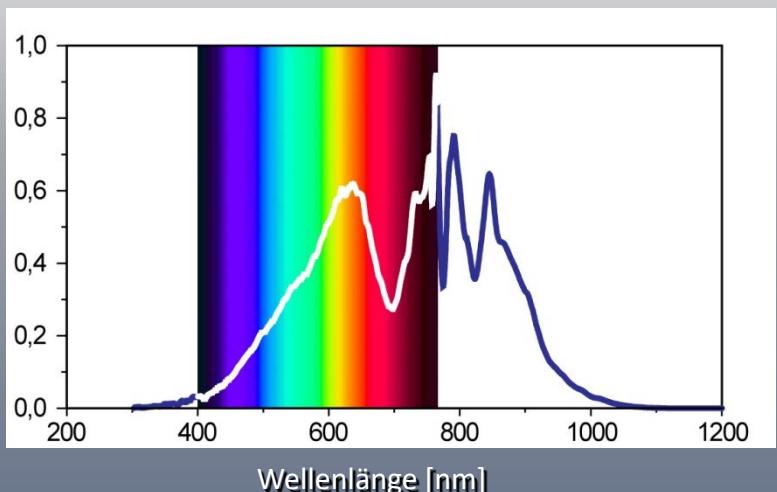
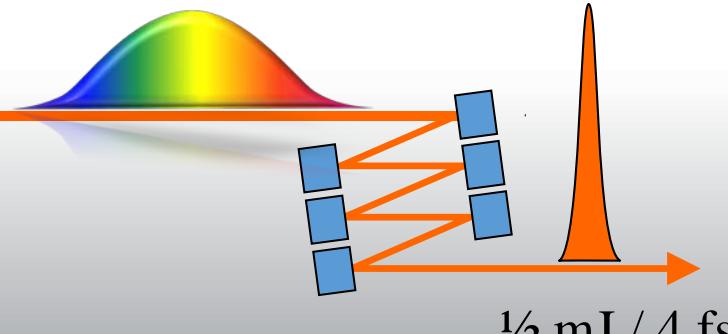
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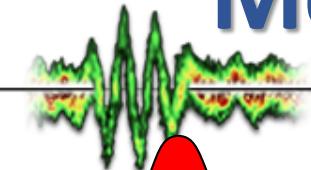
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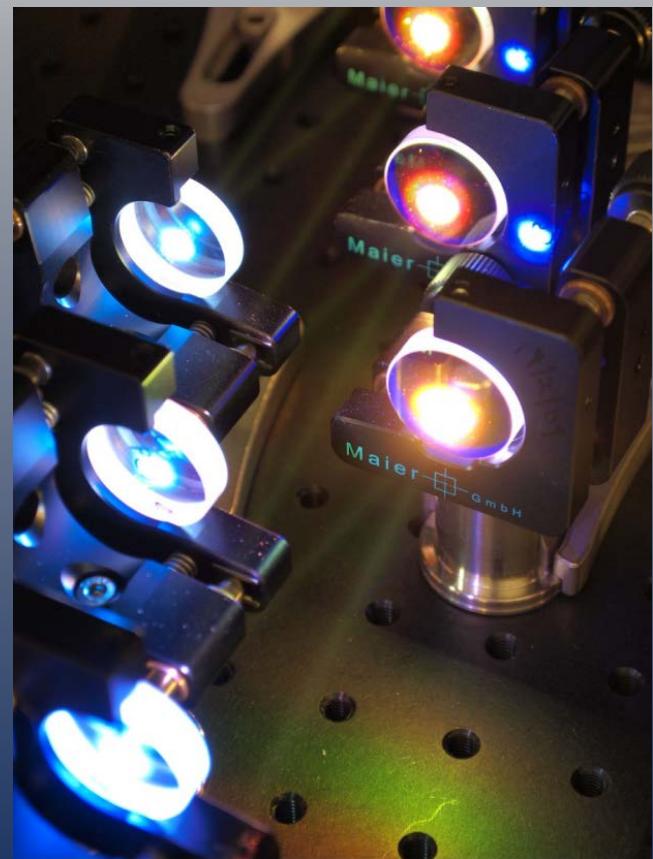
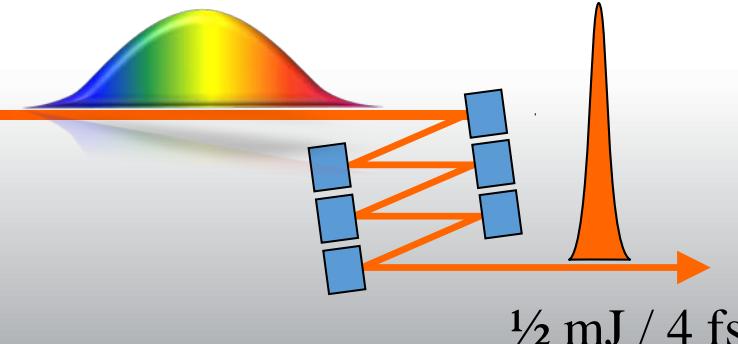
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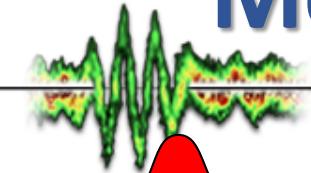
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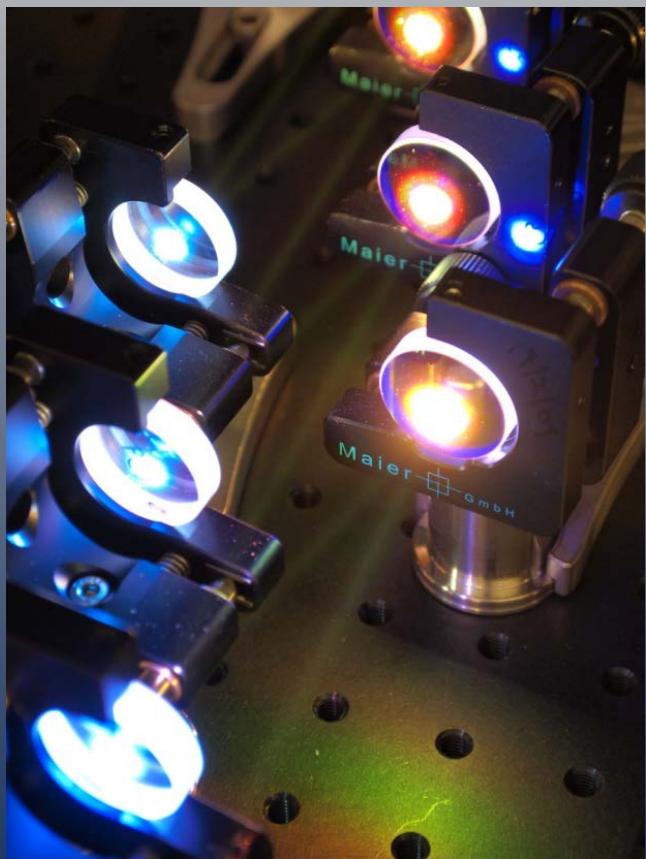
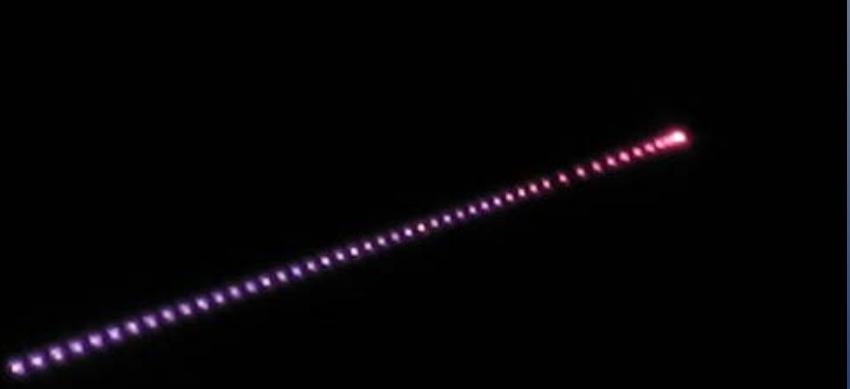
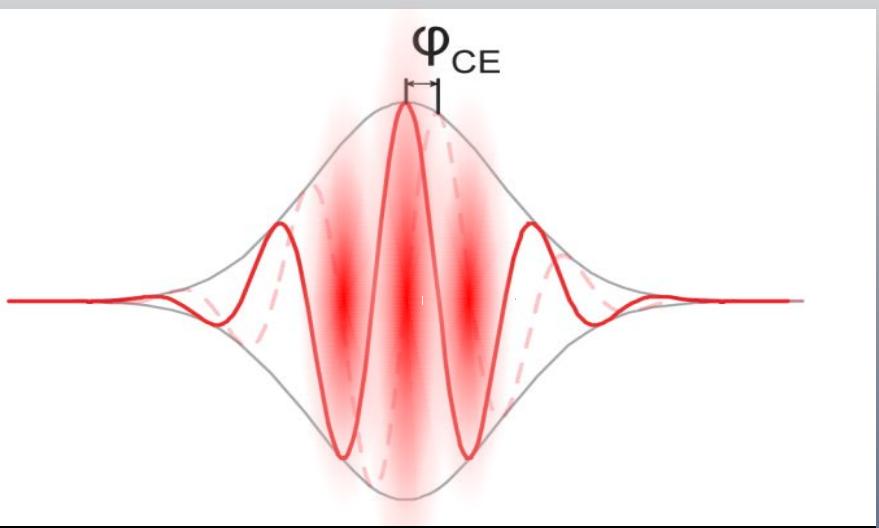
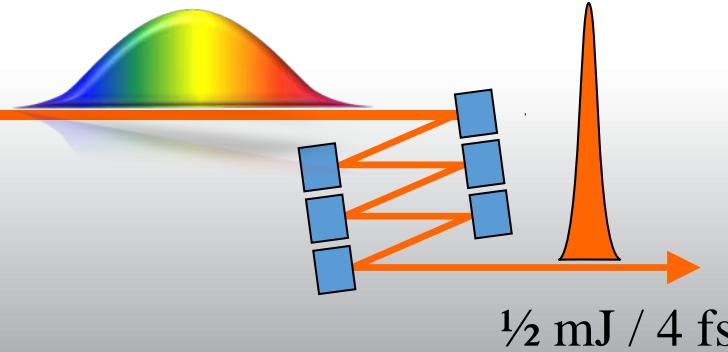
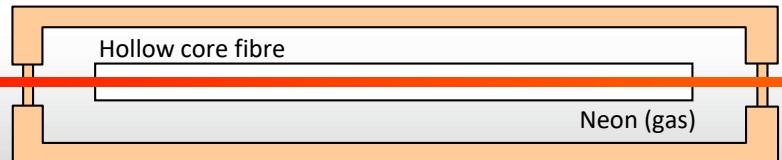
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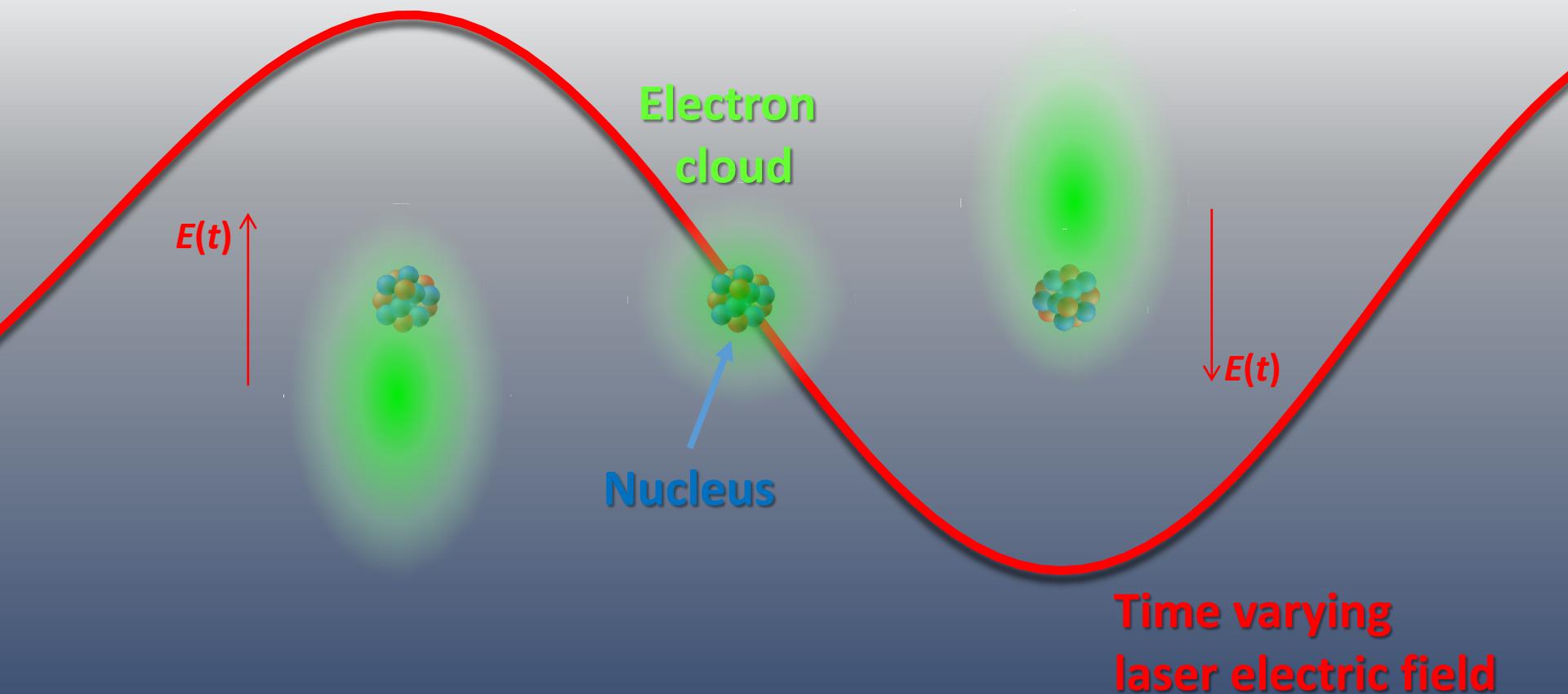


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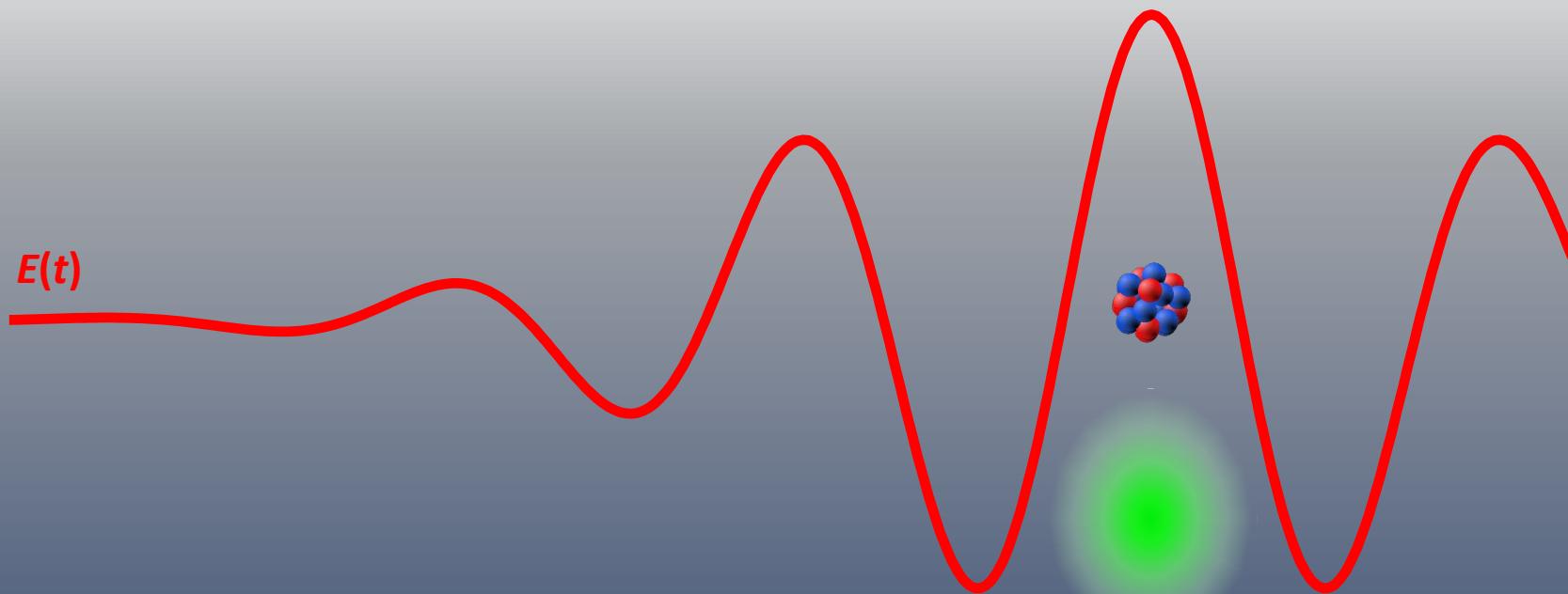
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Nonlinear optics via photo ionization



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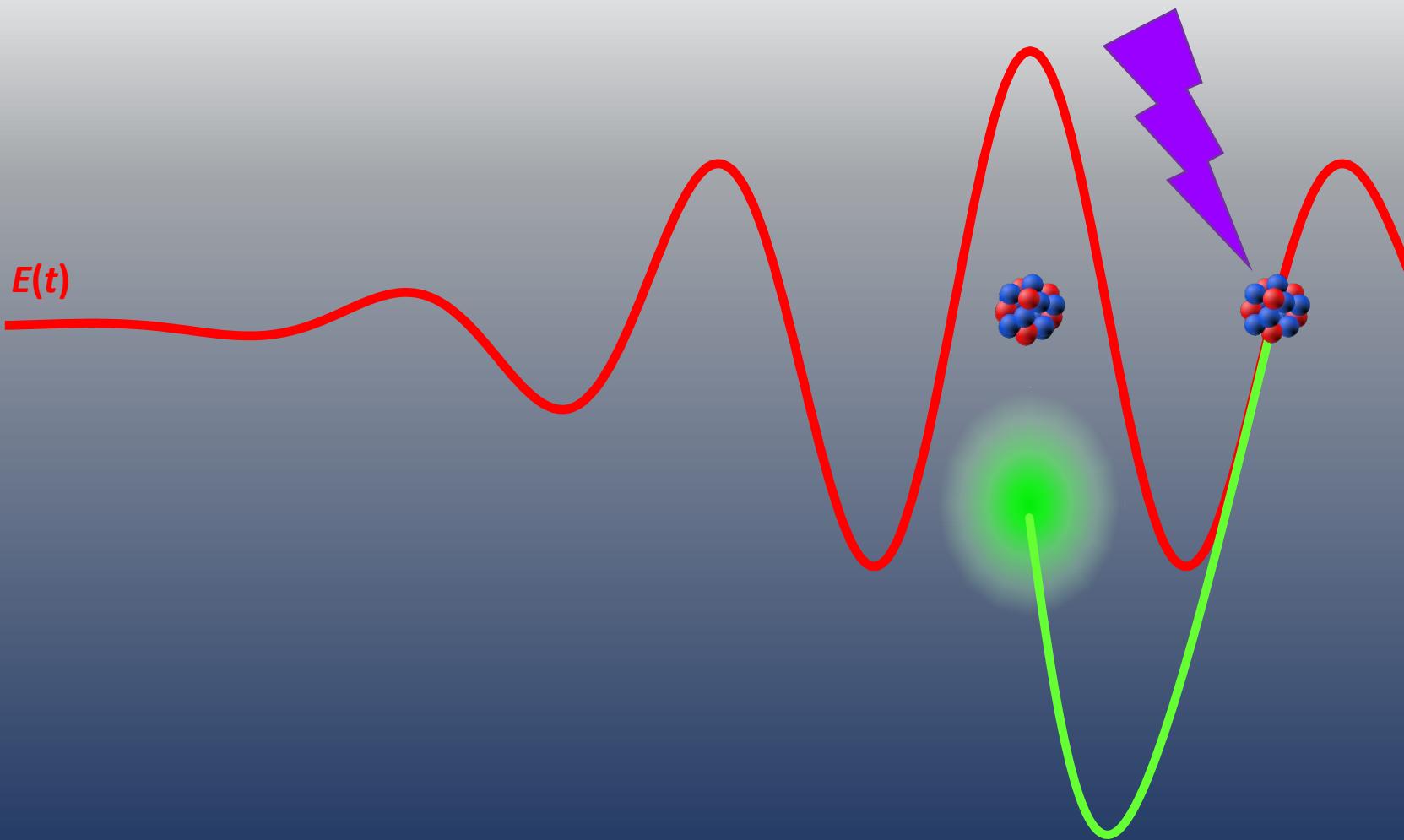
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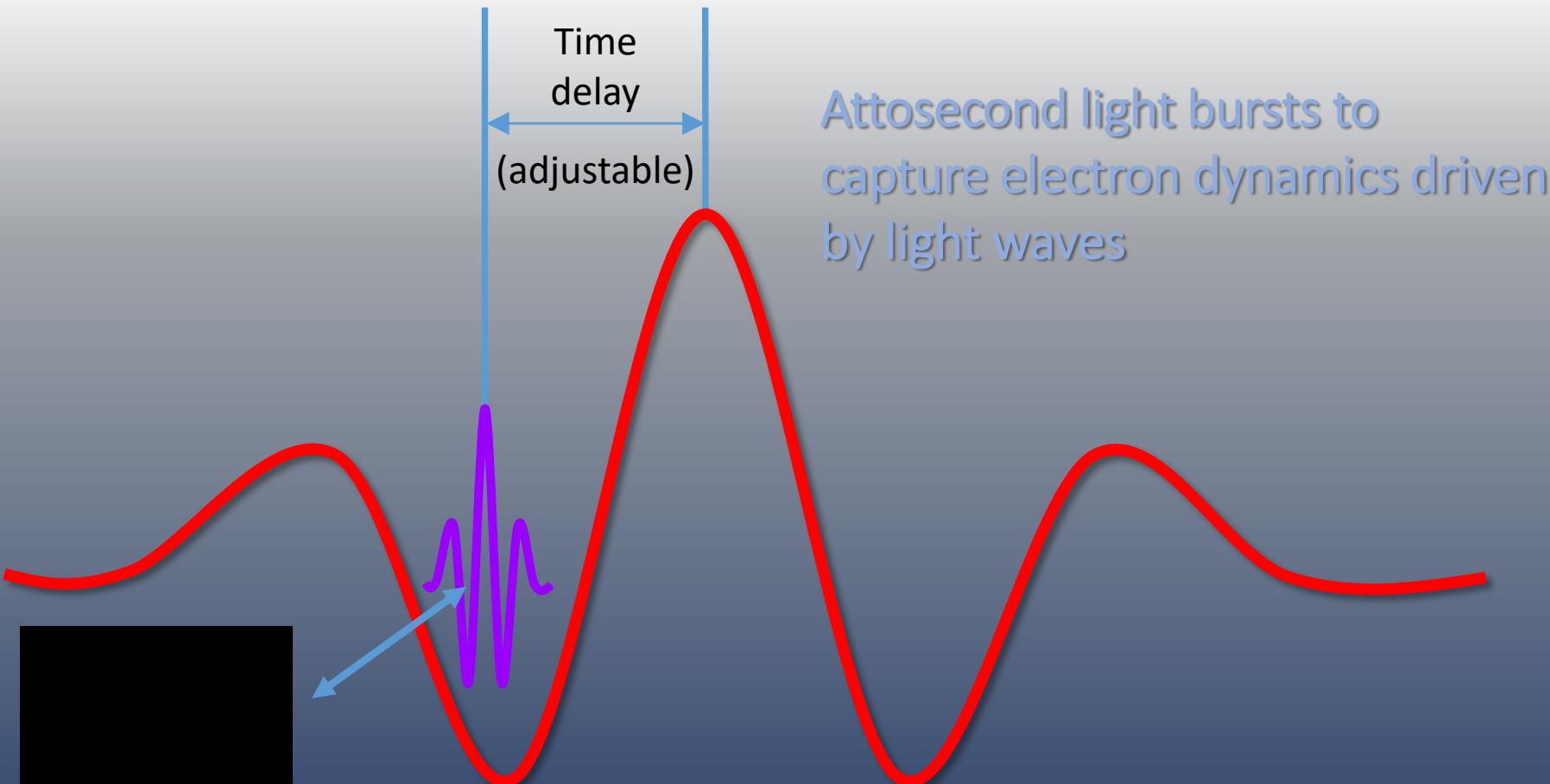
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XUV  
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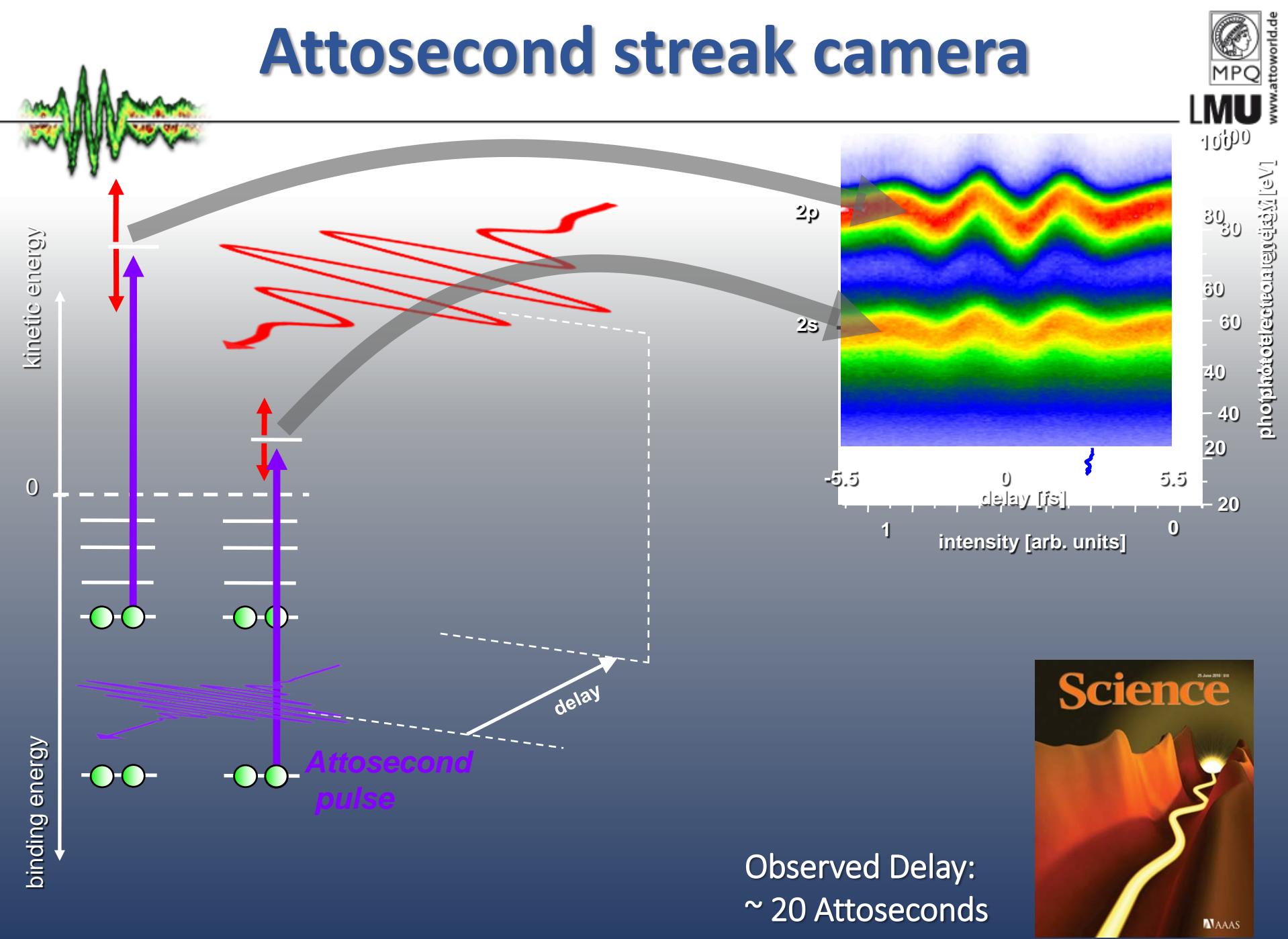


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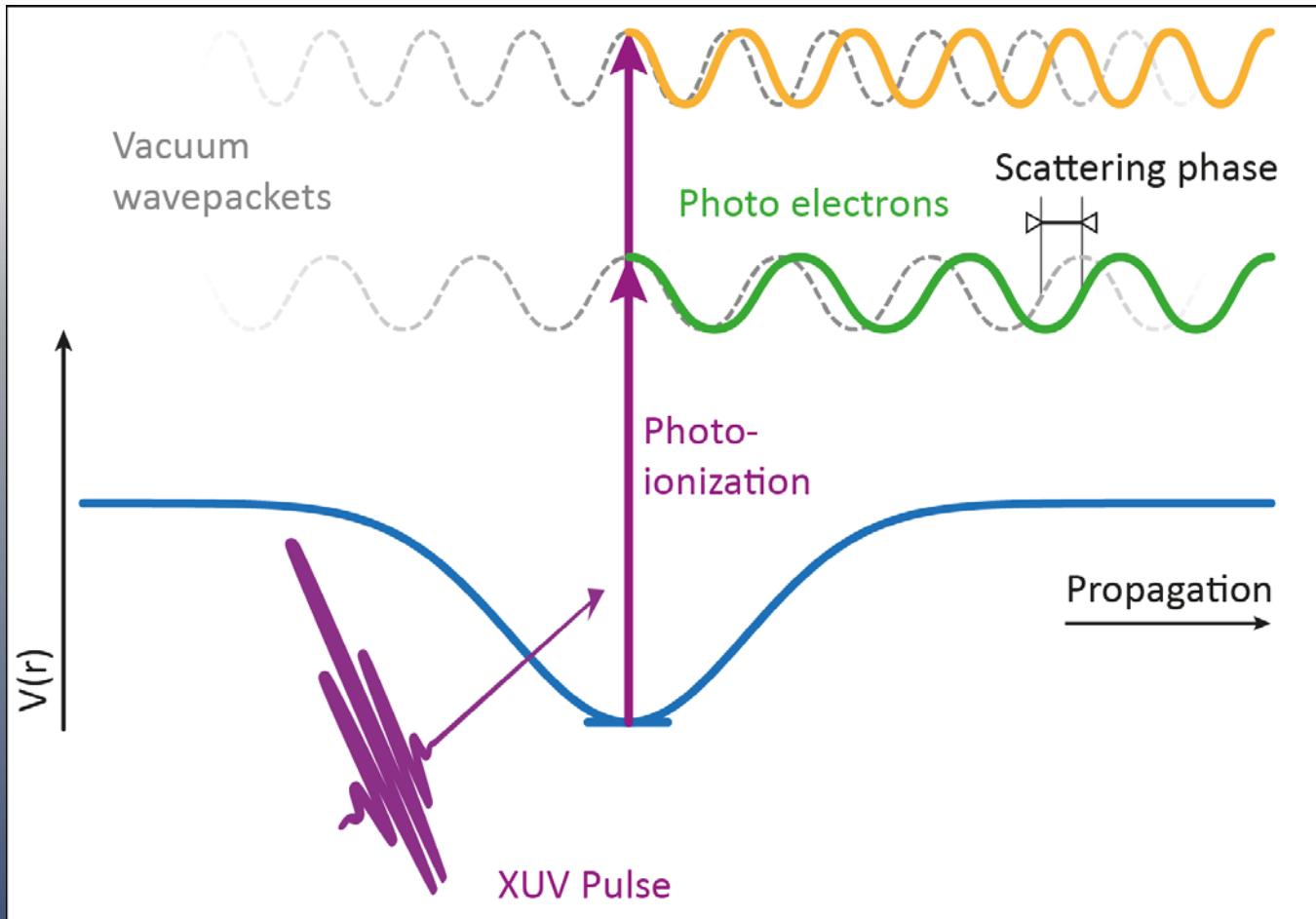
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Attosecond light bursts to capture electron dynamics driven by light waves



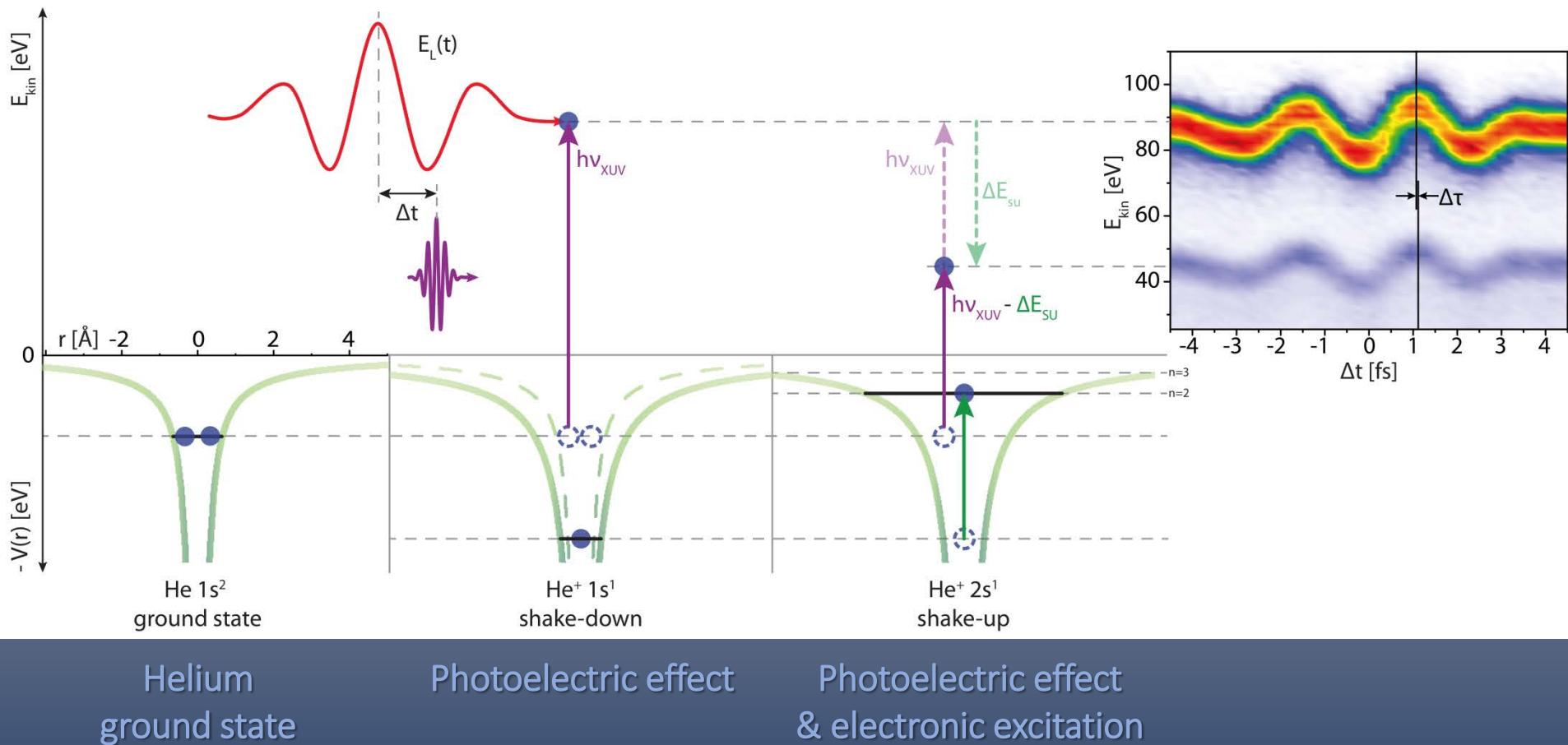
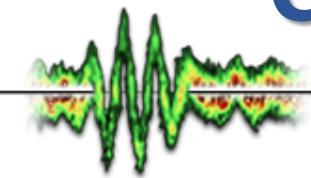
# Delay in Photoemission?

 $\Delta\tau_{2s-2p}$ 

experiment: 21 as  
theory: 9 - 16 as

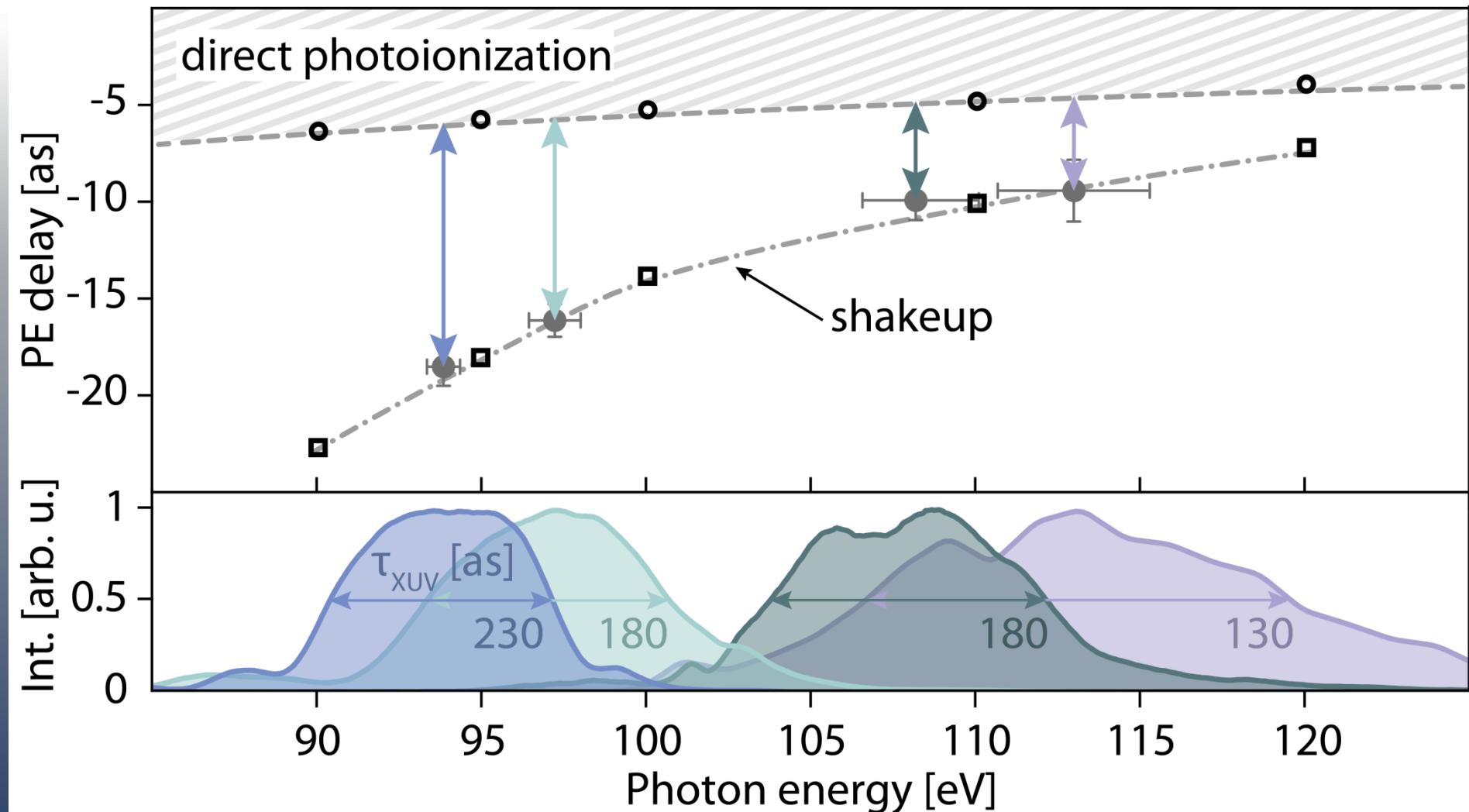
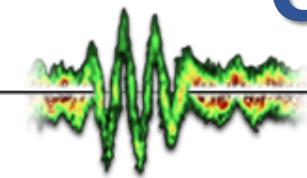
Residual sub-10 as discrepancy  
-> electronic correlations ?

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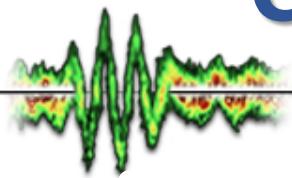


Observe the influence of  
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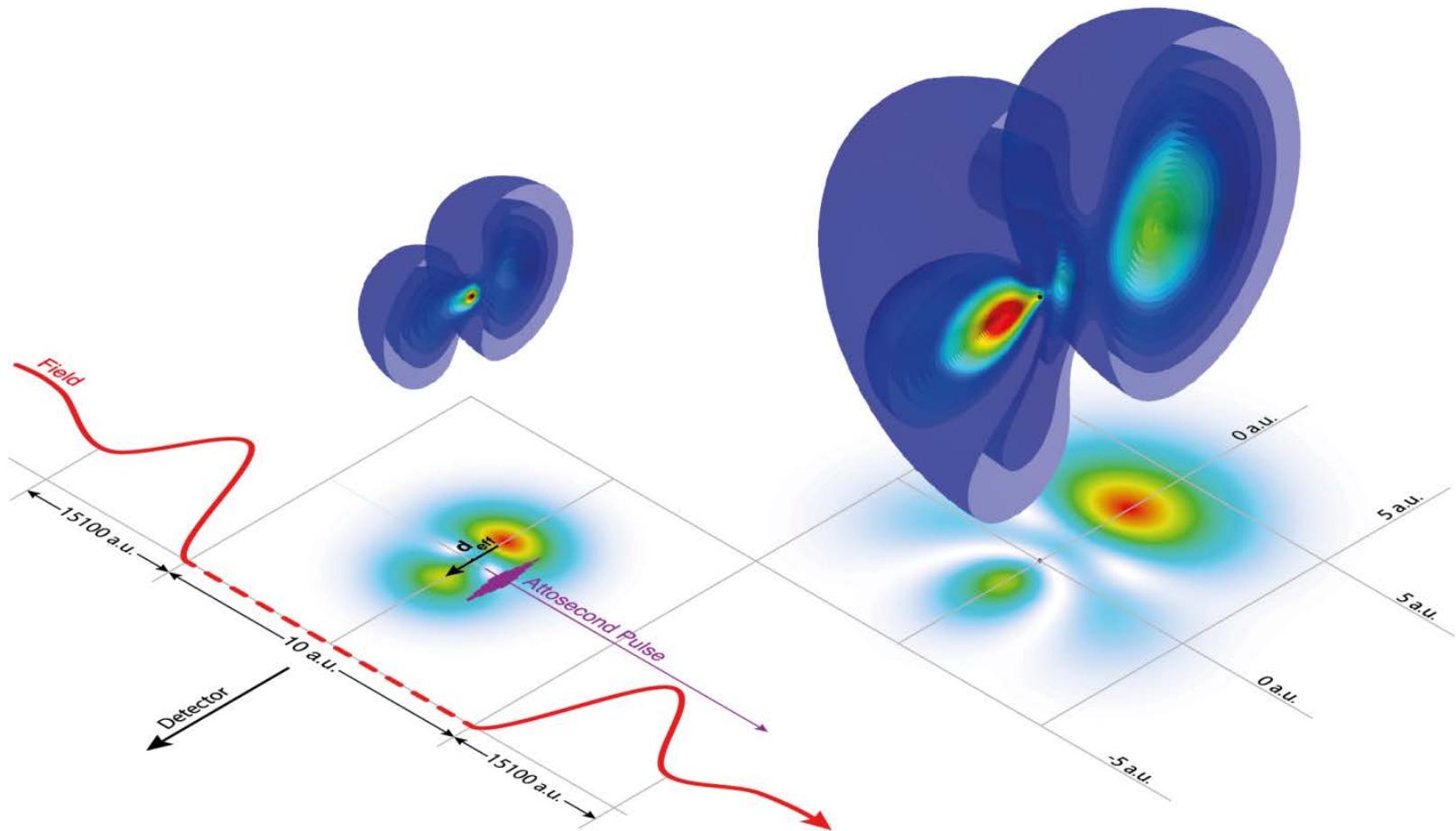


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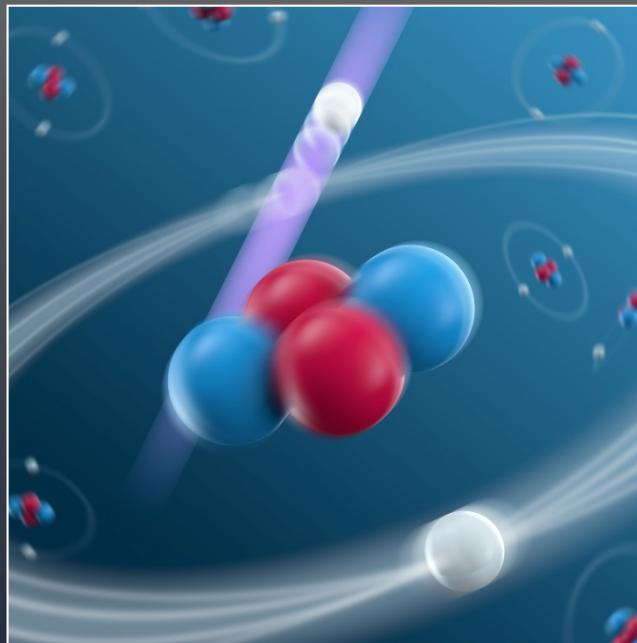


$n=2$

$n=3$



# Electron dynamics in atoms

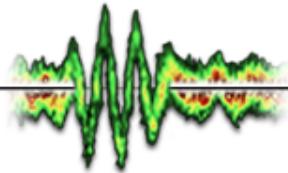


**The photo-electric effect<sup>1</sup>**  
in Helium exposed to strong electric  
fields oscillating at optical frequencies

**takes 5.9 attoseconds**  
this time-shift depends on the excitation  
photon energy and photo-electron and –  
ion form a quantum mechanically  
entangled pair

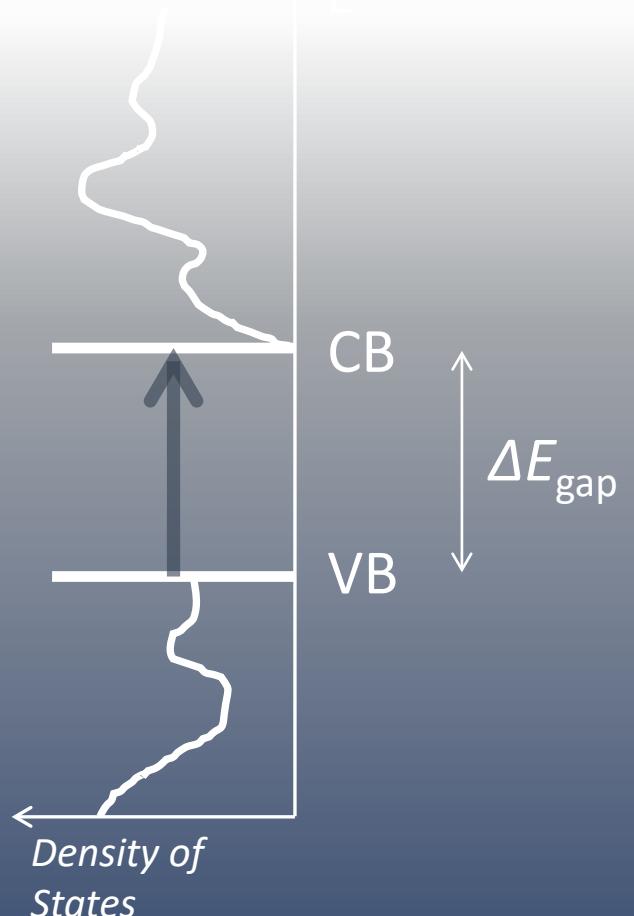
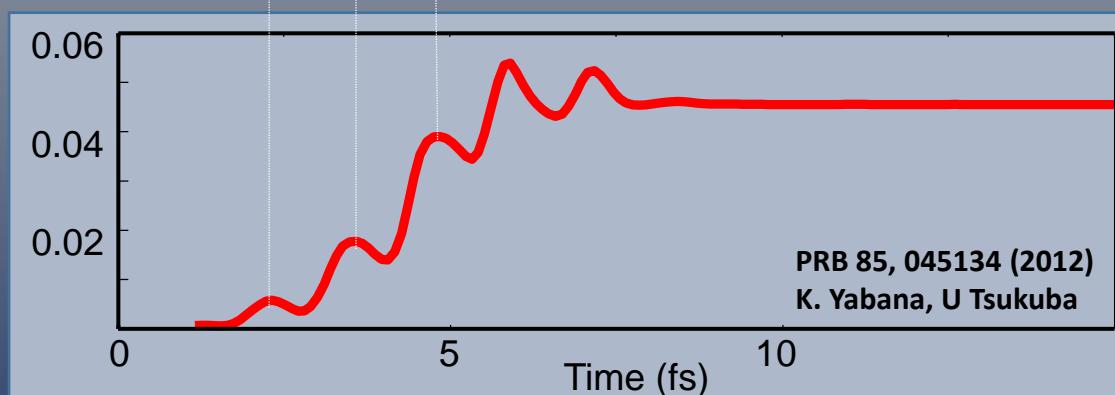
<sup>1</sup> A. Einstein, Über einen die Erzeugung und Verwandlung des Lichtes  
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# Charge dynamics in solids



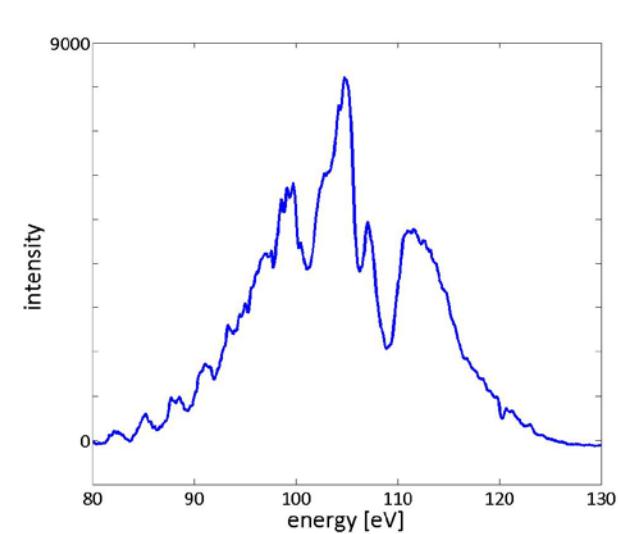
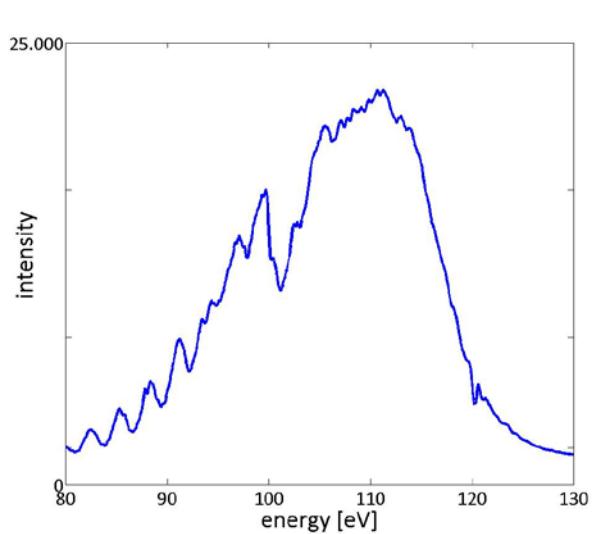
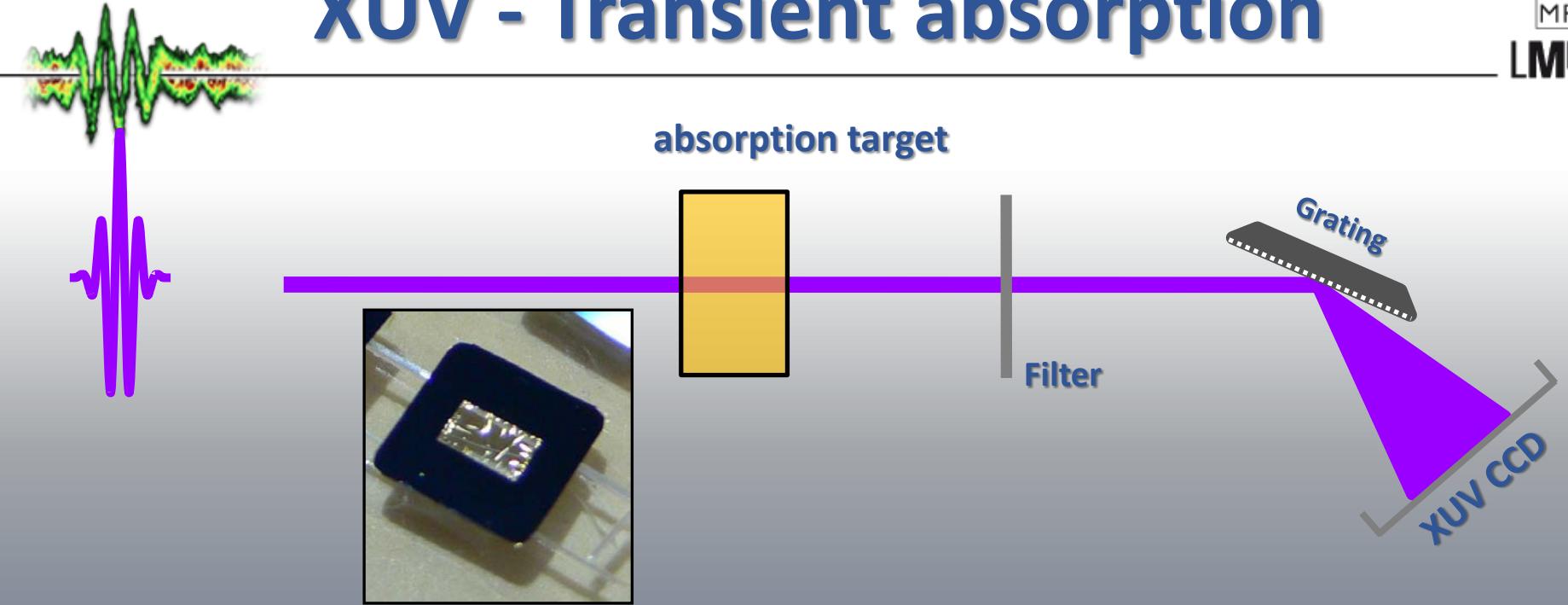
Semiconductor exposed to light can absorb energy  
by creating electron-hole pairs

Dispersion relation & Density of states

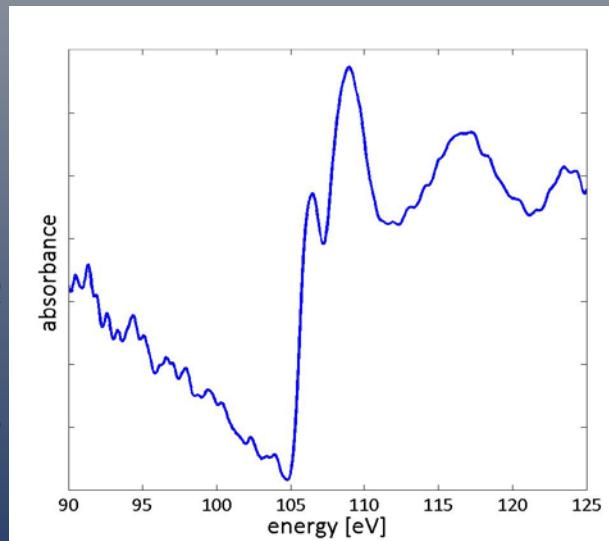
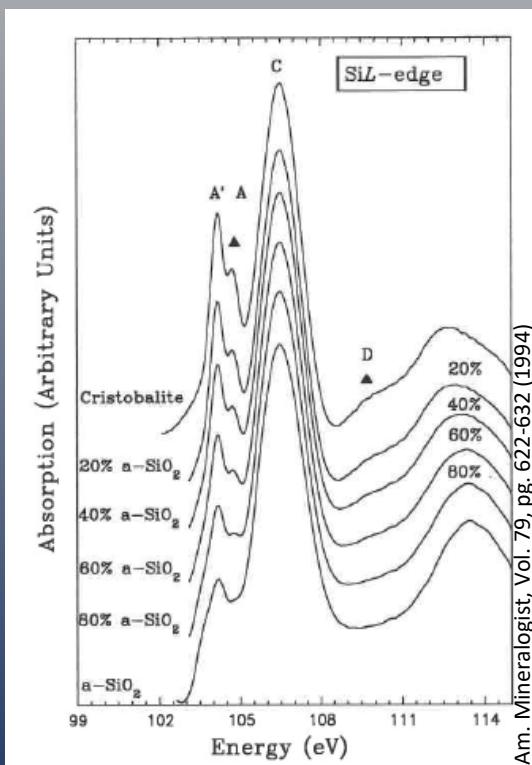
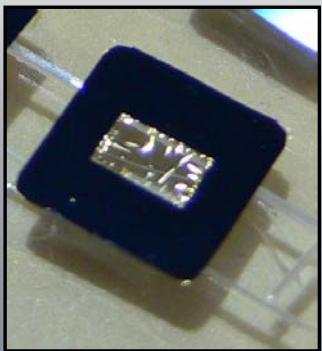
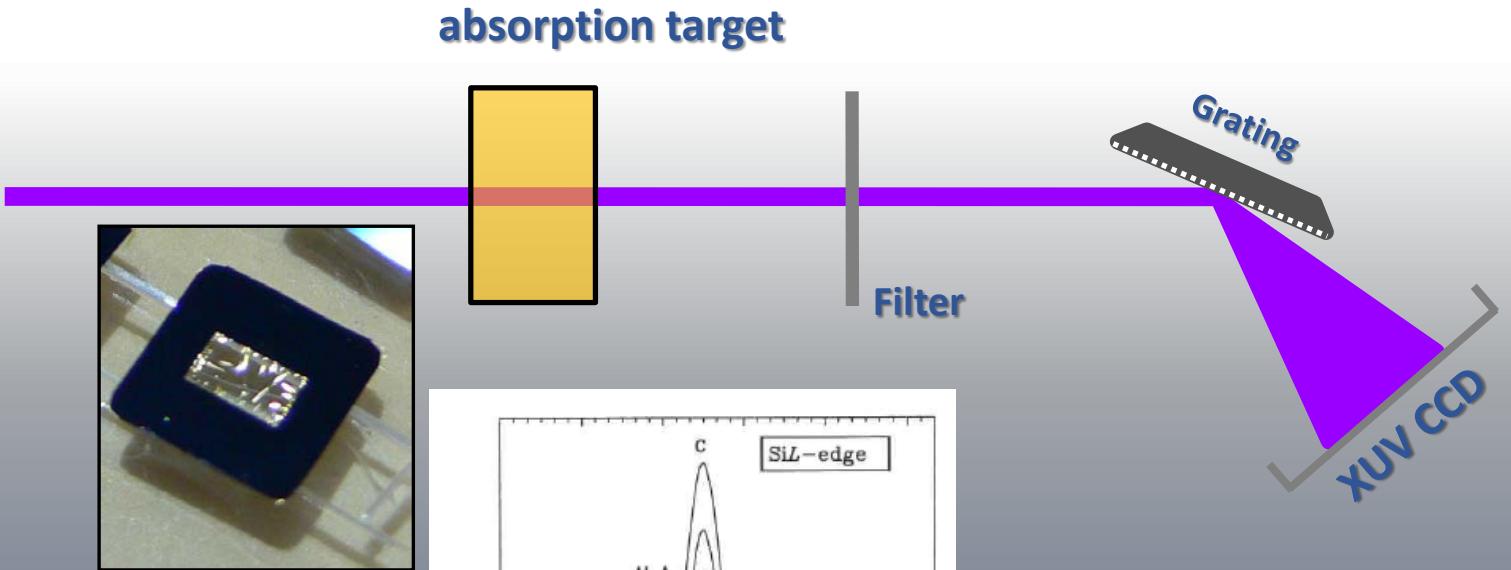
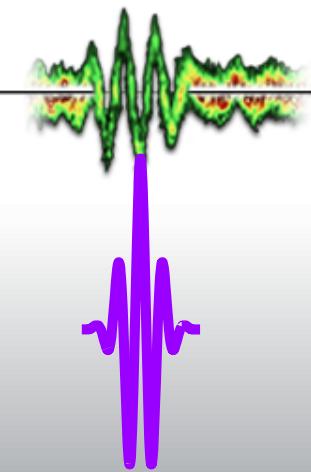


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charge transfer dynamics?

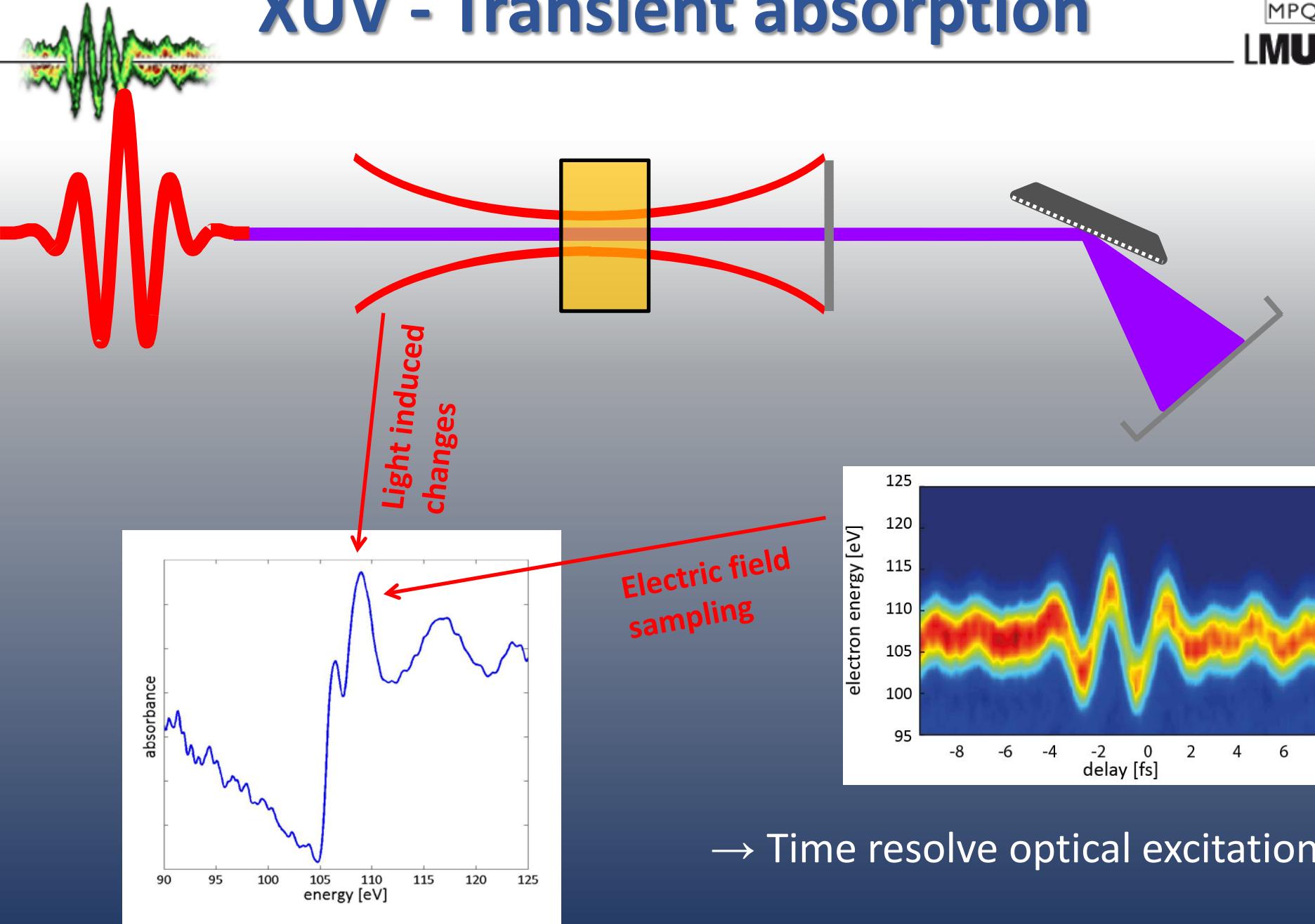
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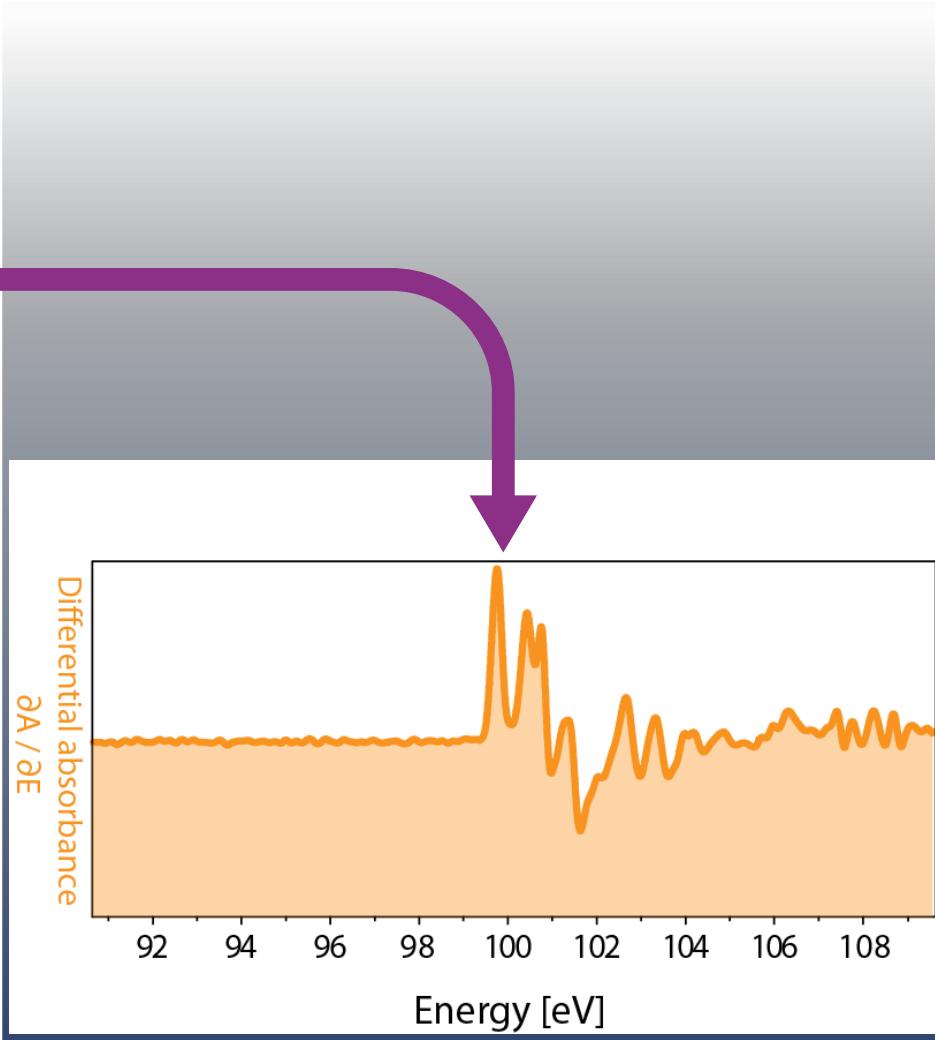
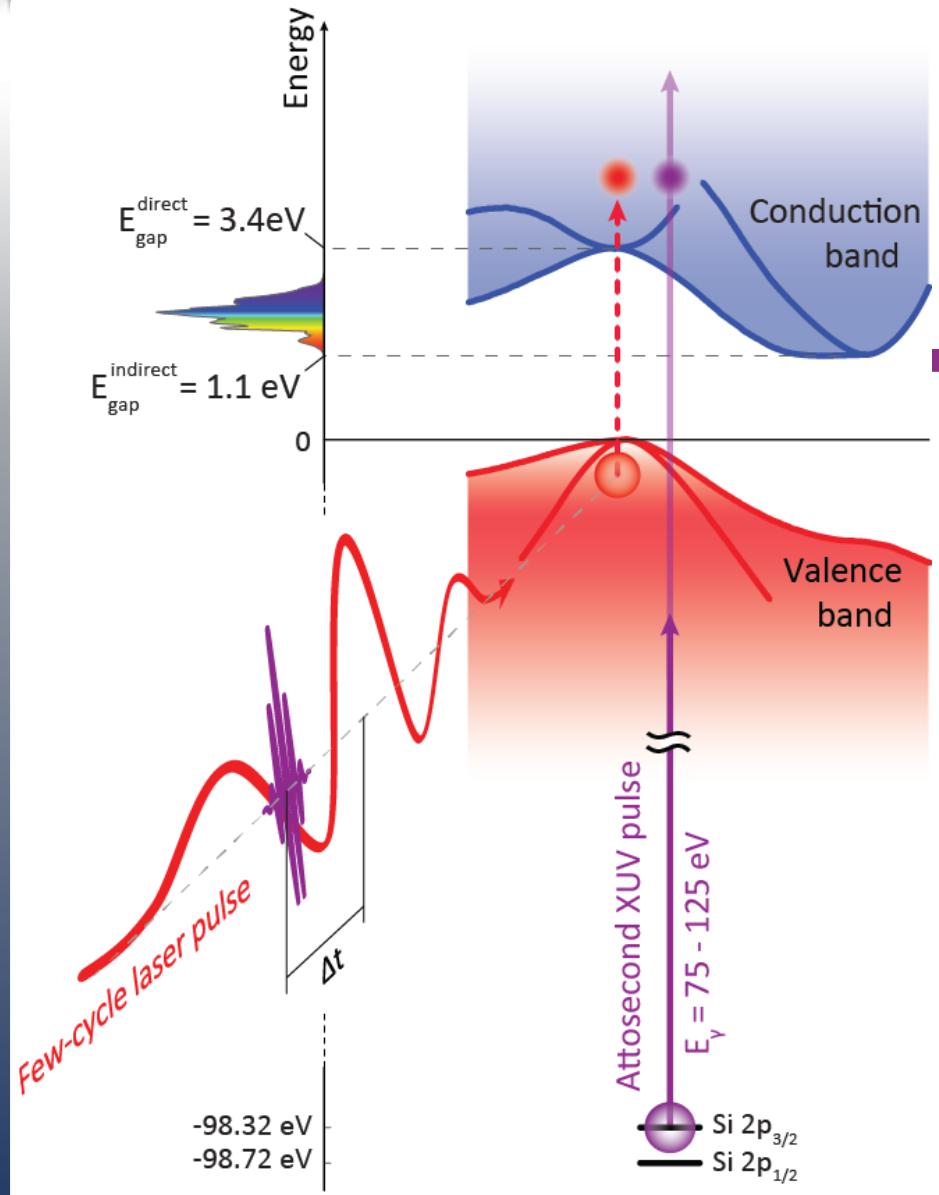
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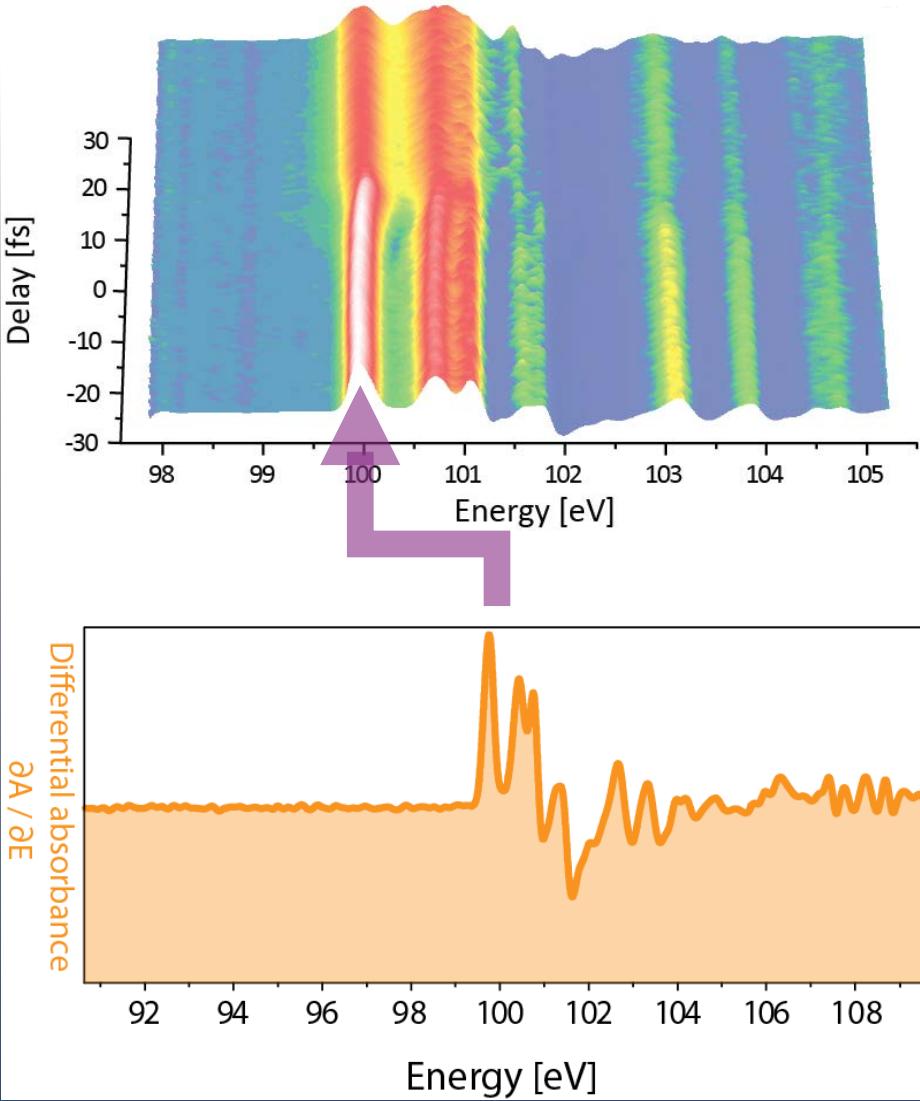
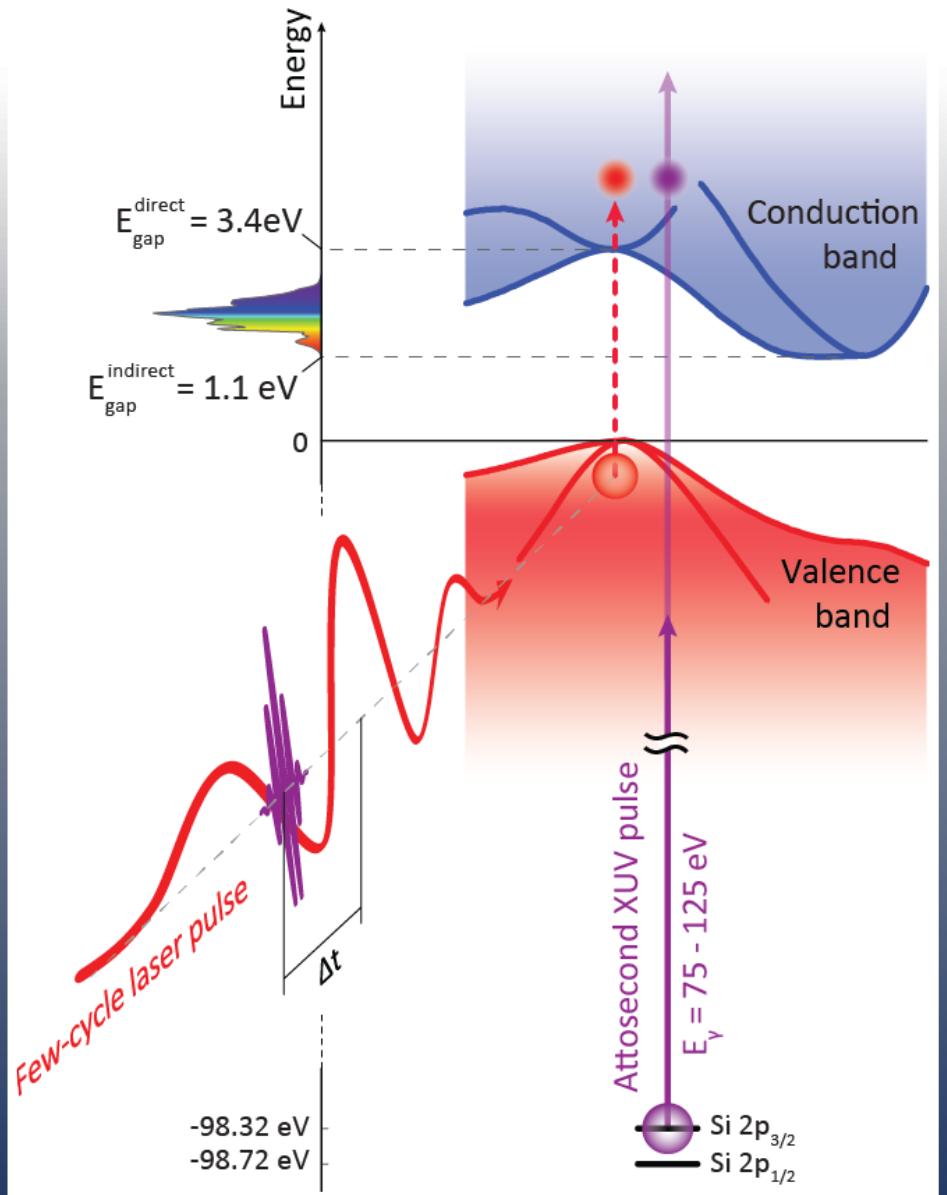
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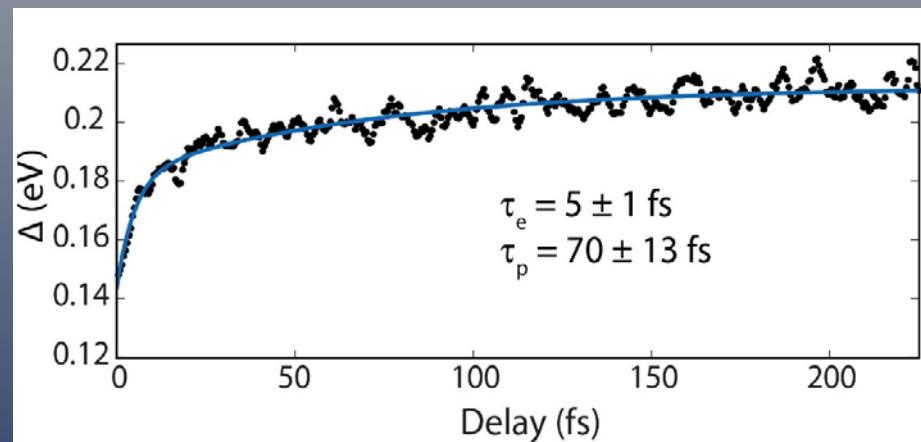
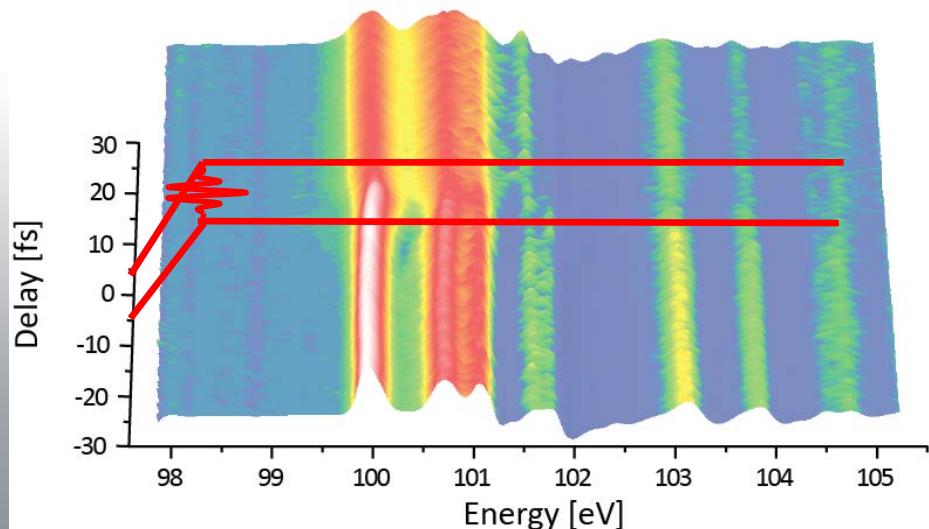
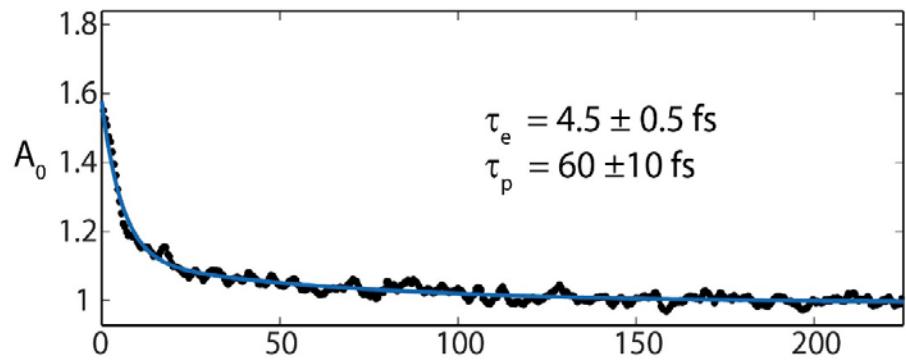
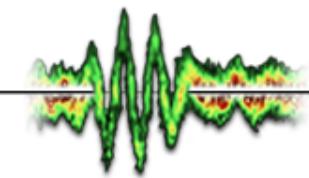
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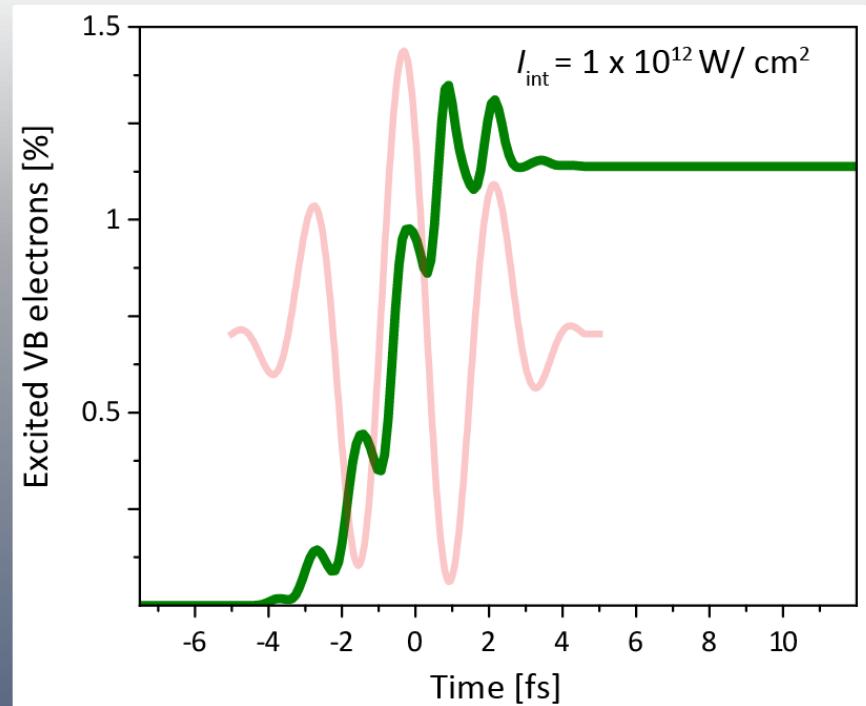
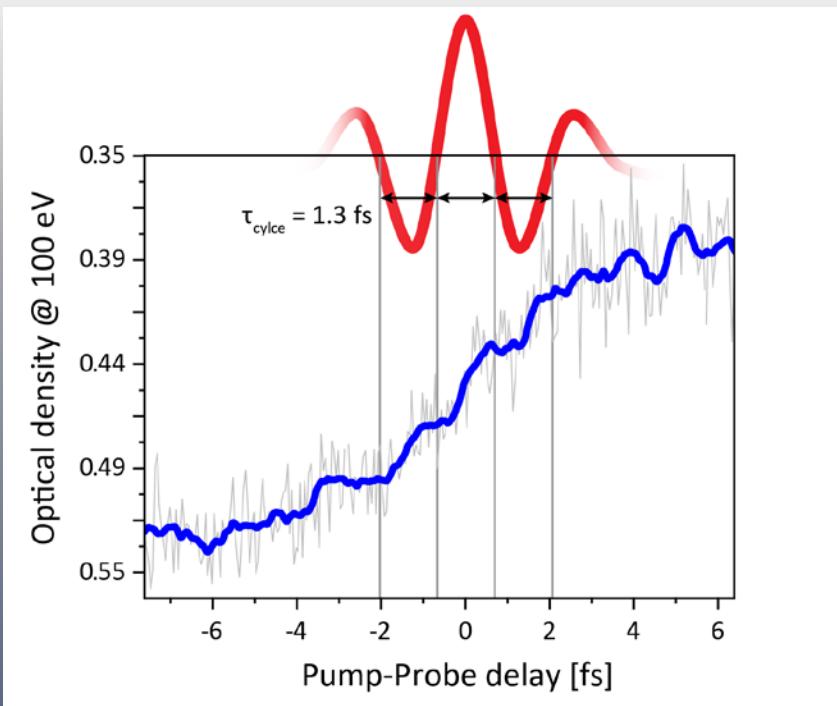


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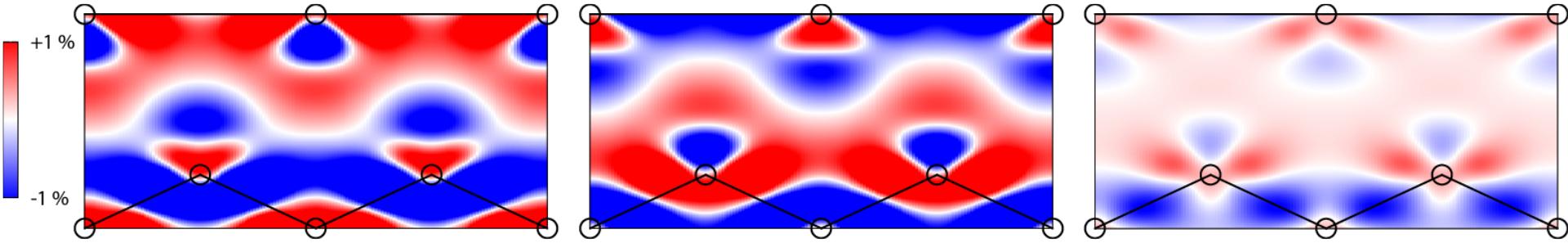
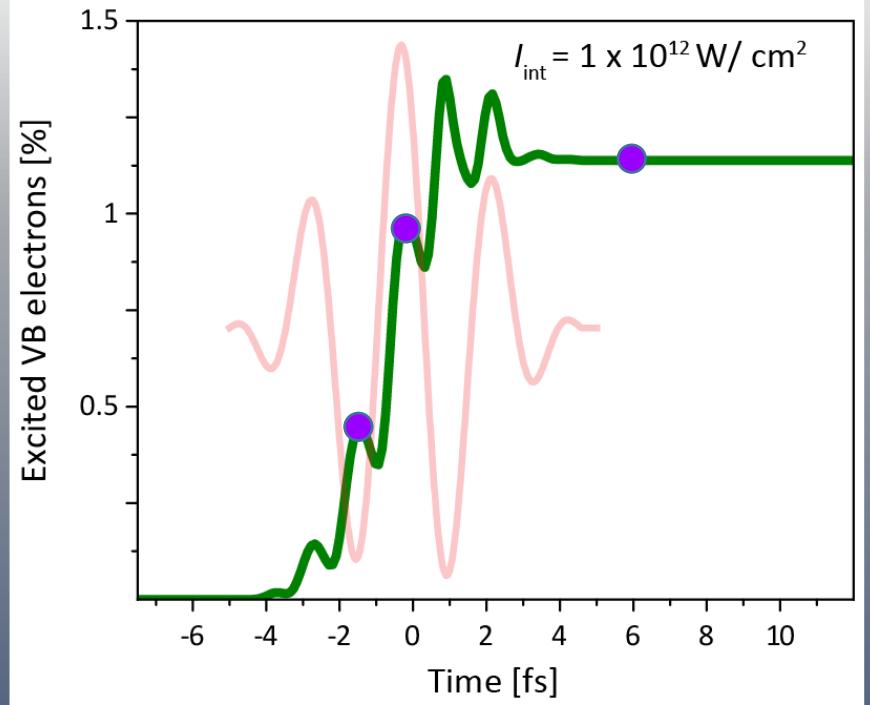
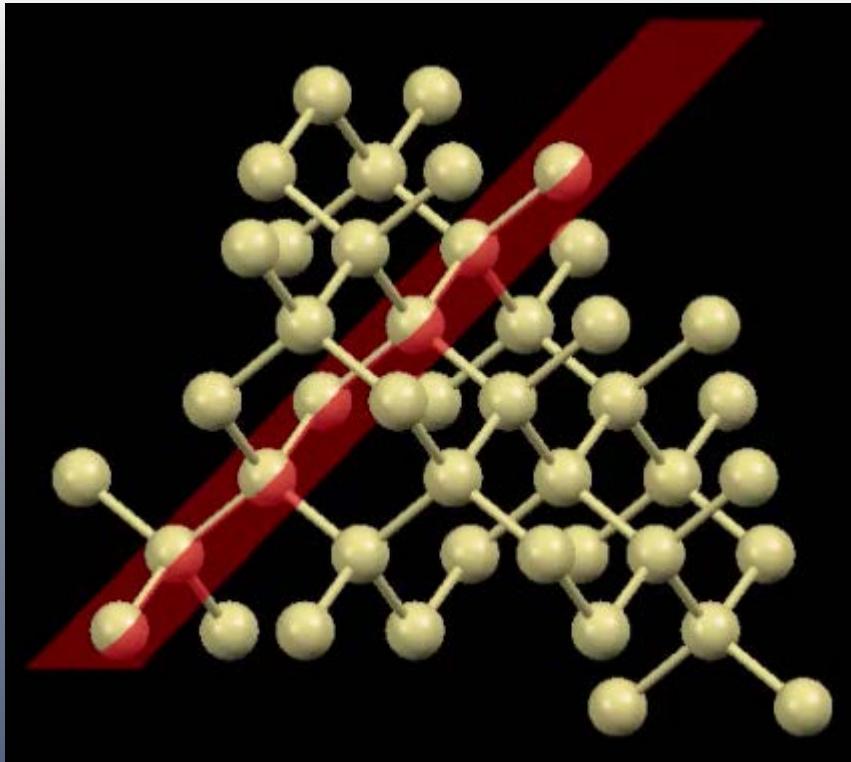
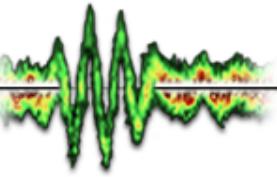


photodoping of silicon induces  
 instantaneous (electronic) band gap narrowing  
 &  
 the lattice follows with a time constant of the  
 fastest optical phonon (64 fs)

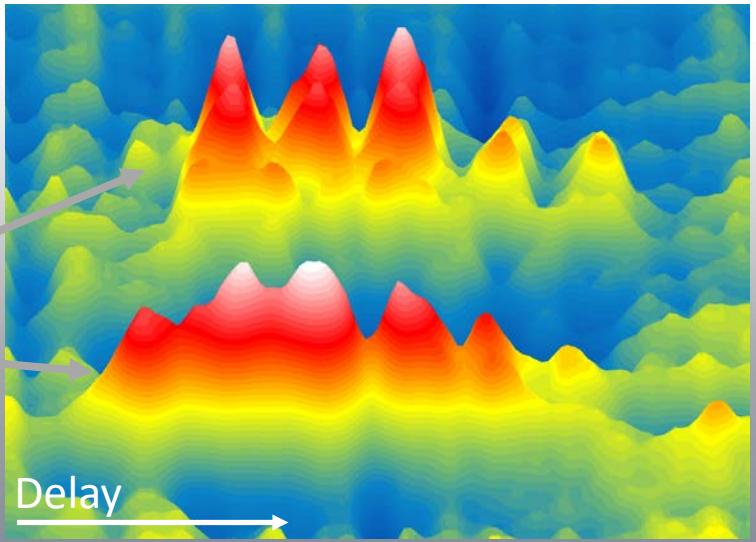
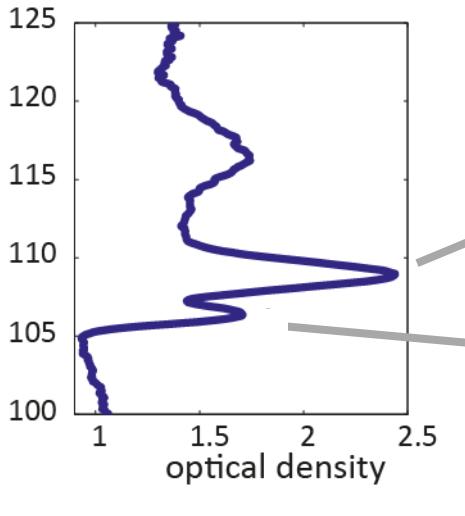
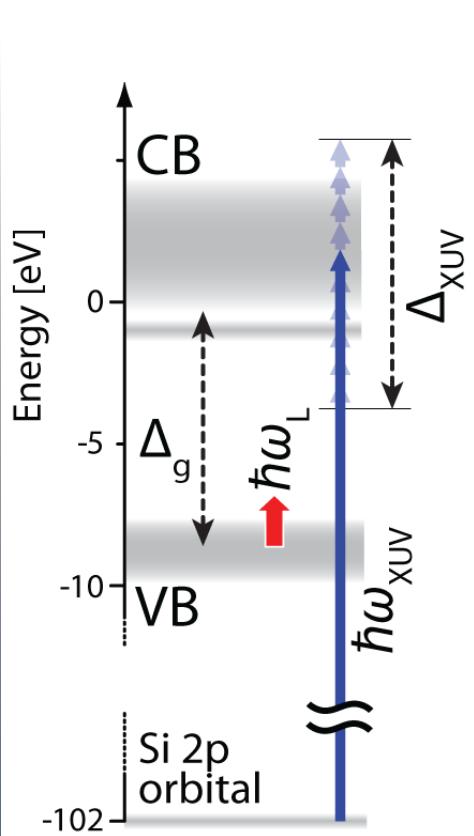
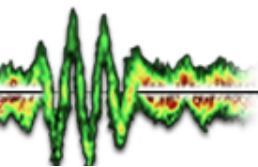
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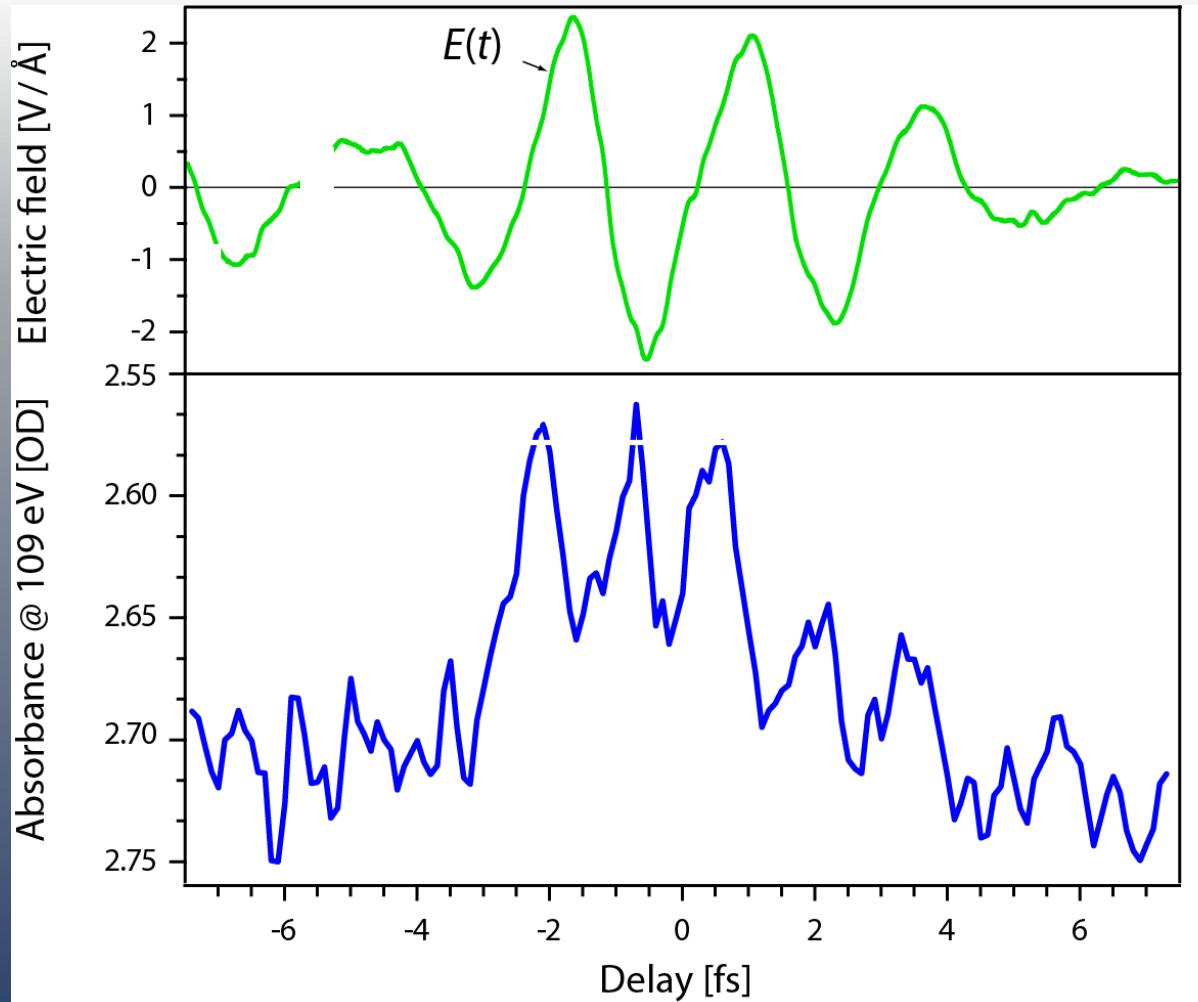
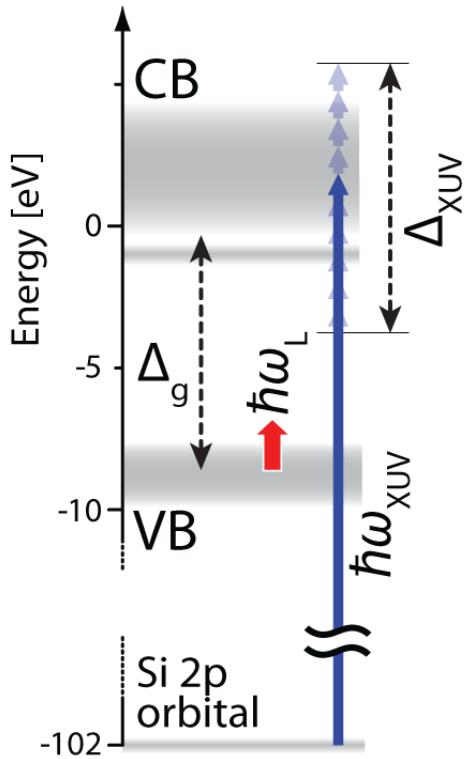
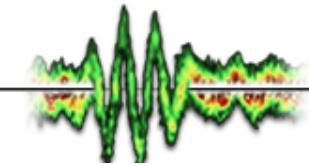
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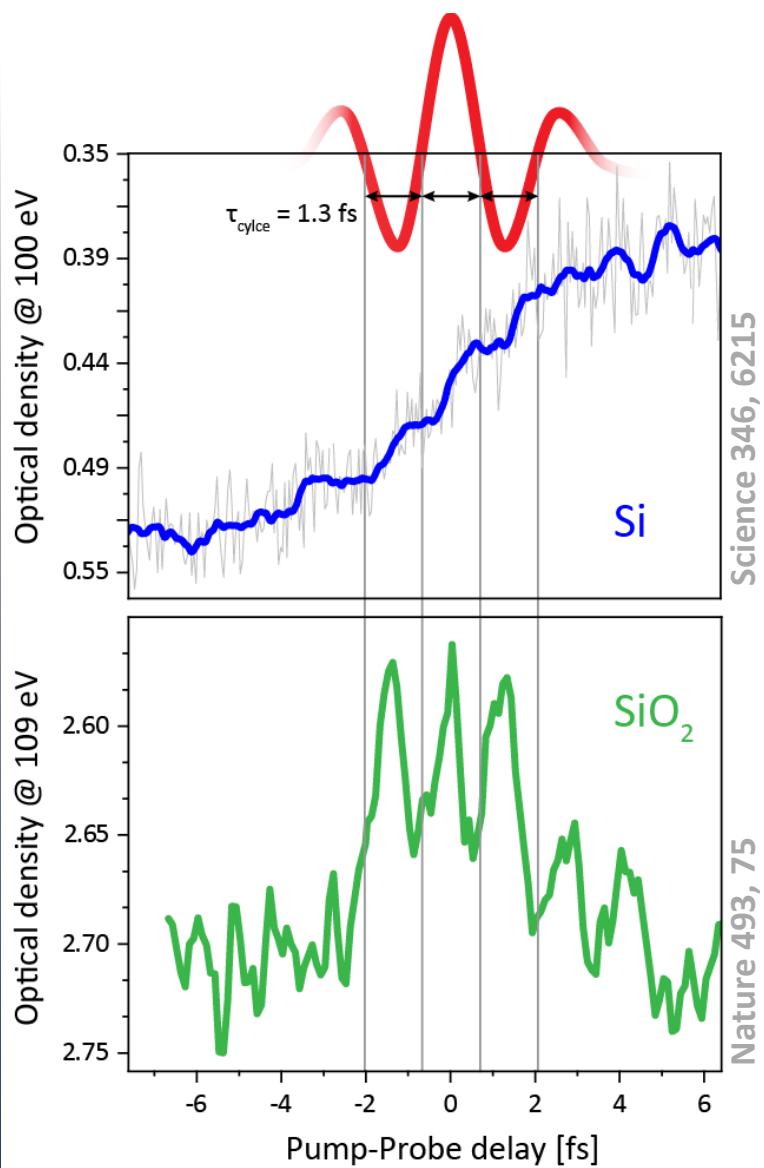
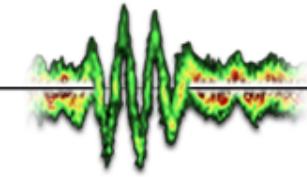
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# Ultrafast Nonlinearities

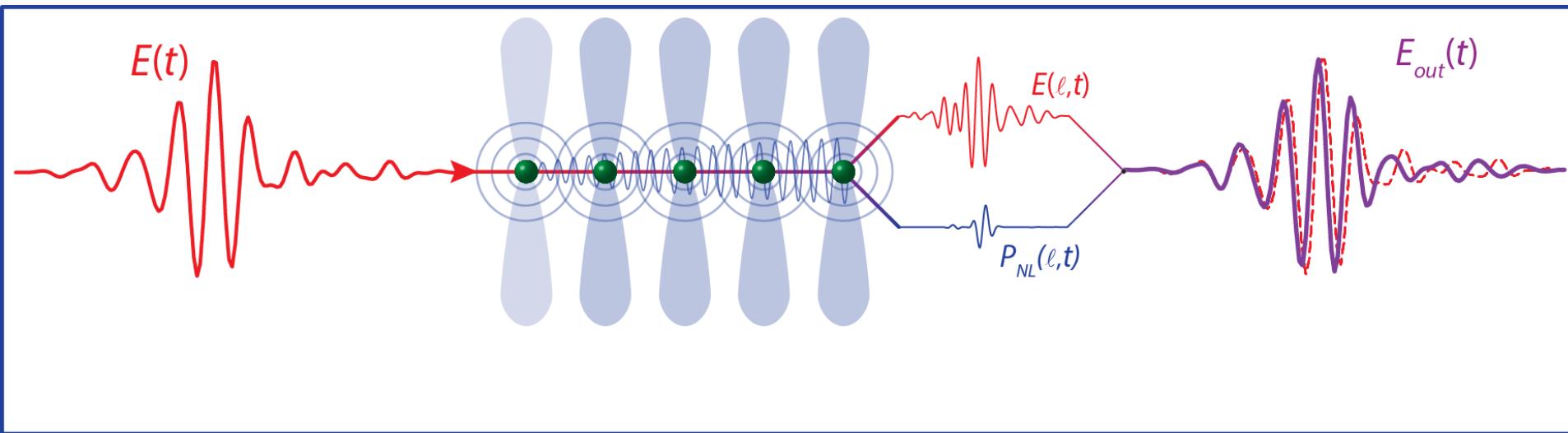
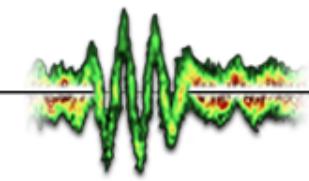


Photodoping of  
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Transient  
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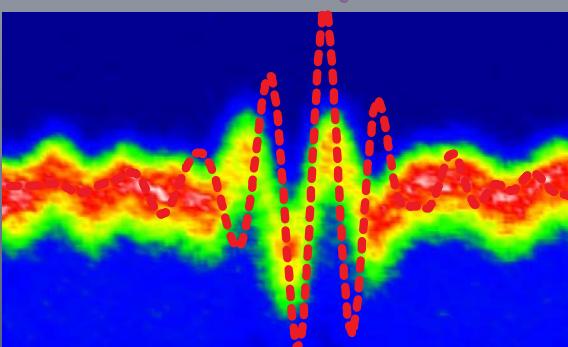
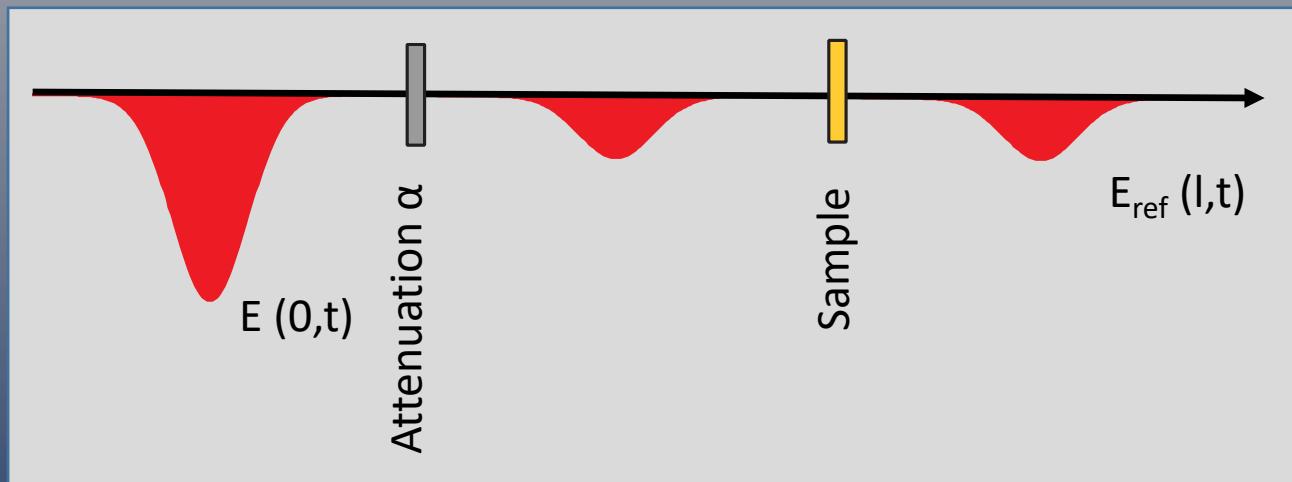
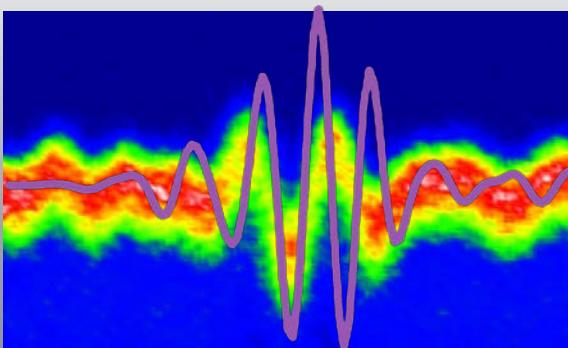
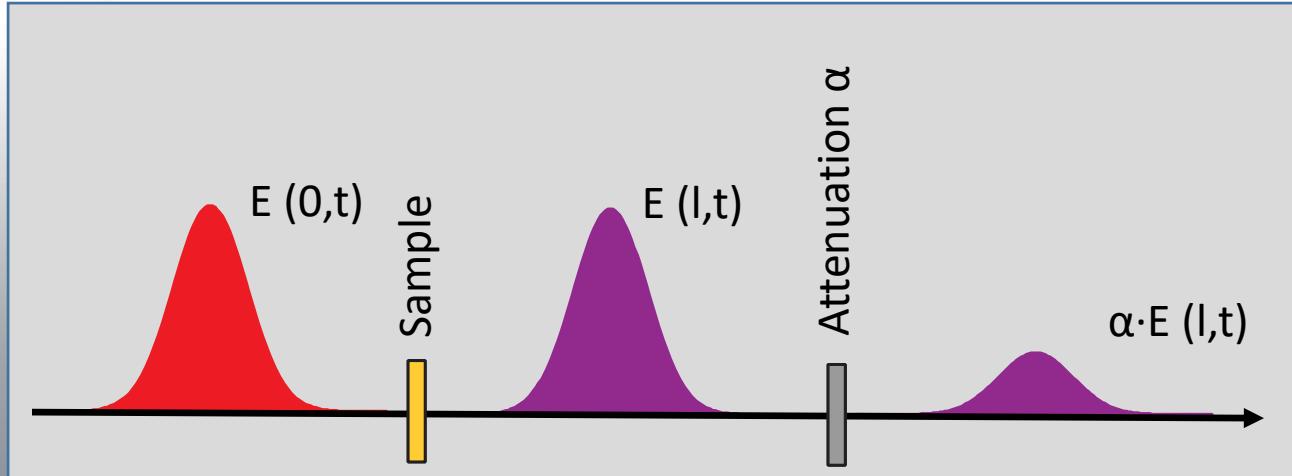
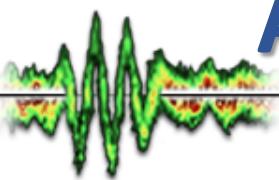
Nonlinearities with  
sub-fs response time!

# Nonlinear polarization response

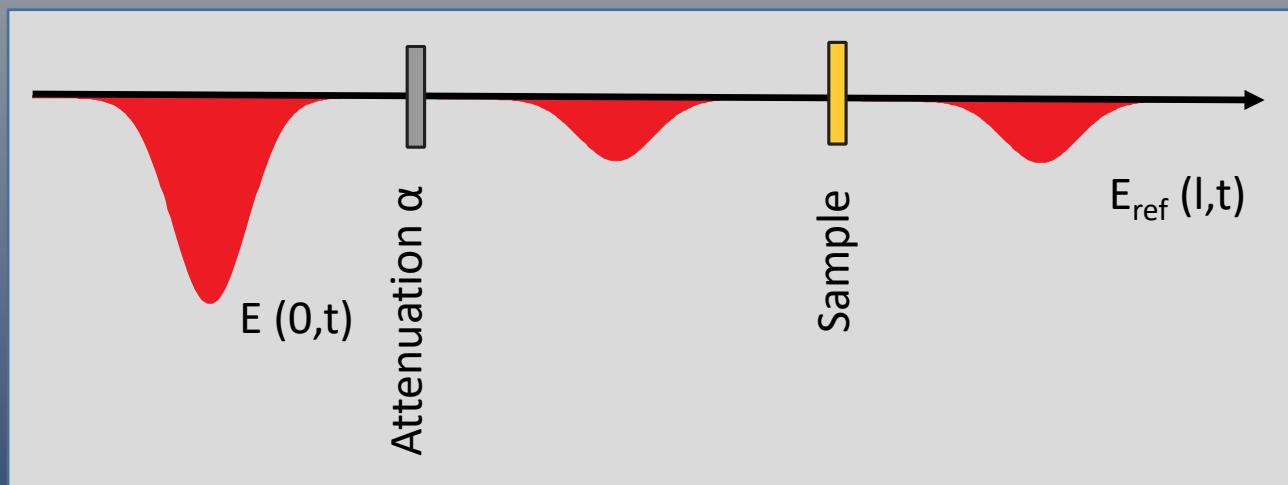
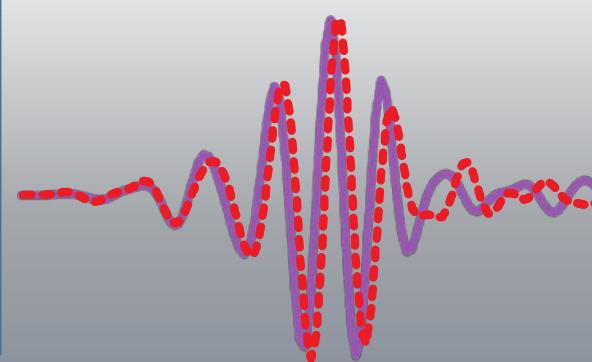
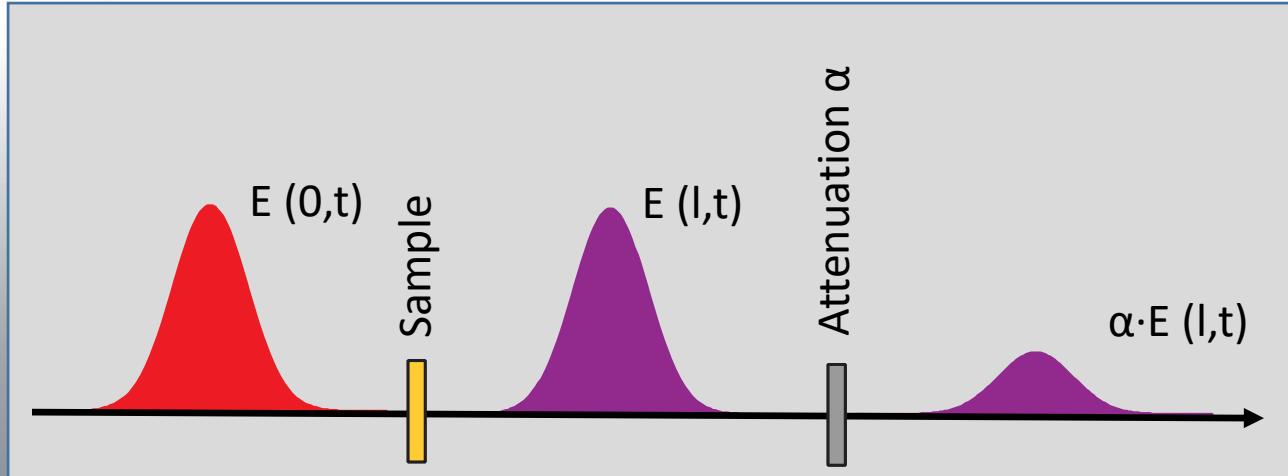
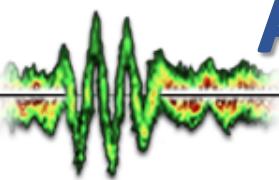


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# Attosecond polarization sampling

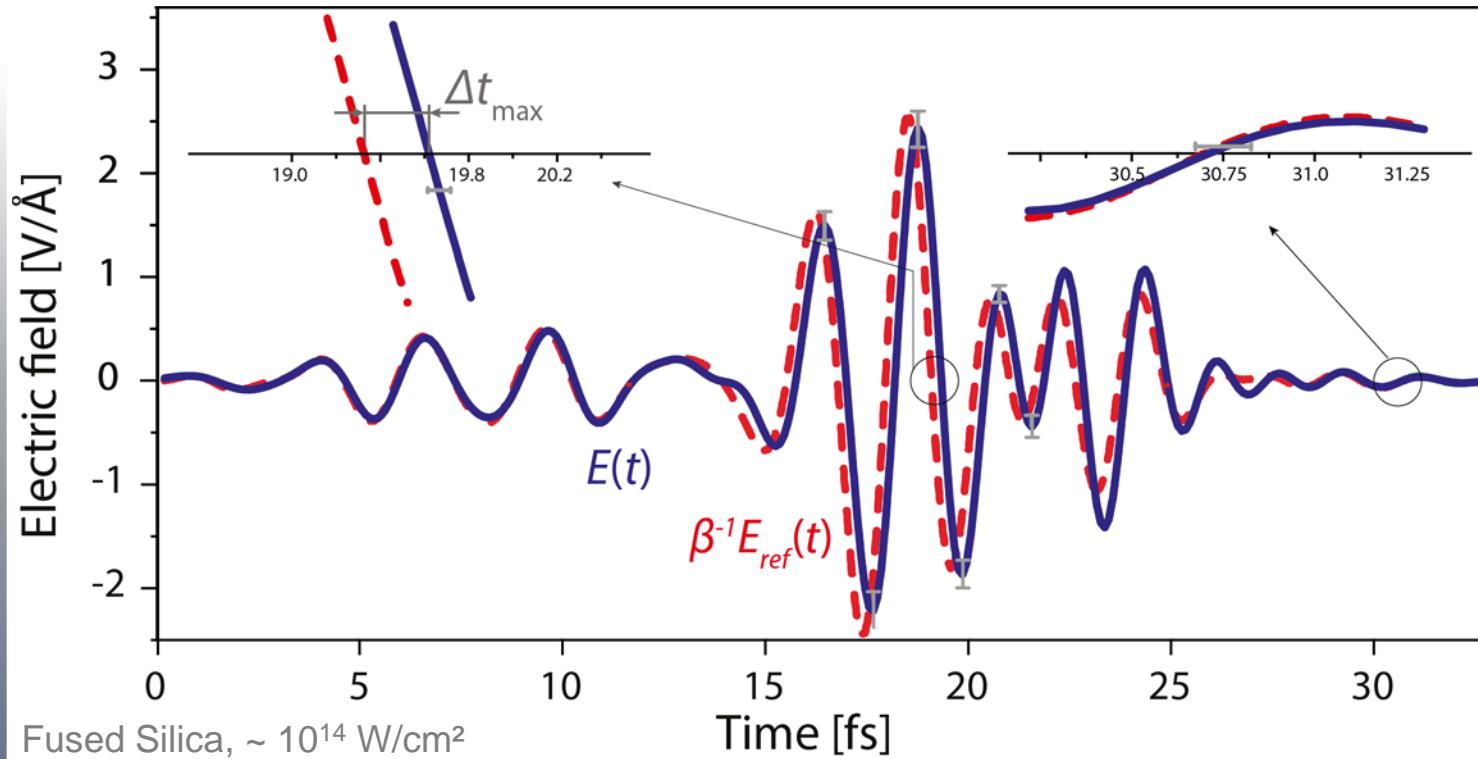
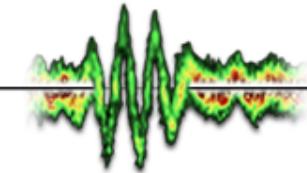


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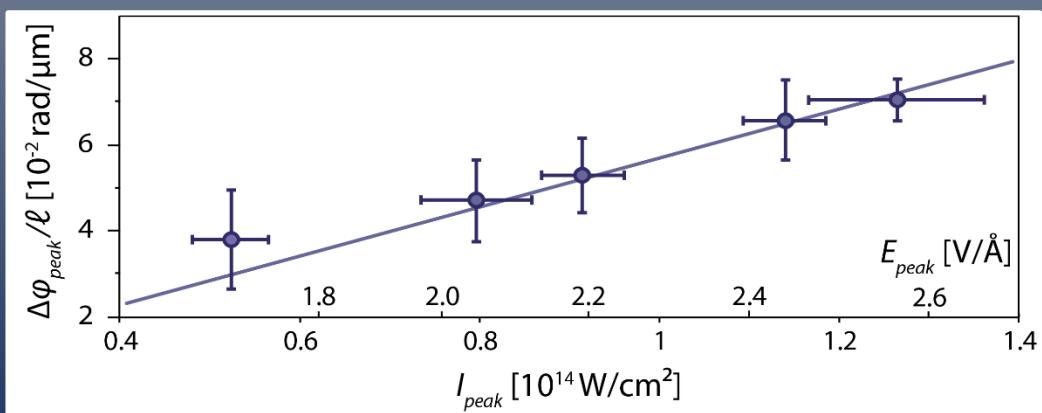


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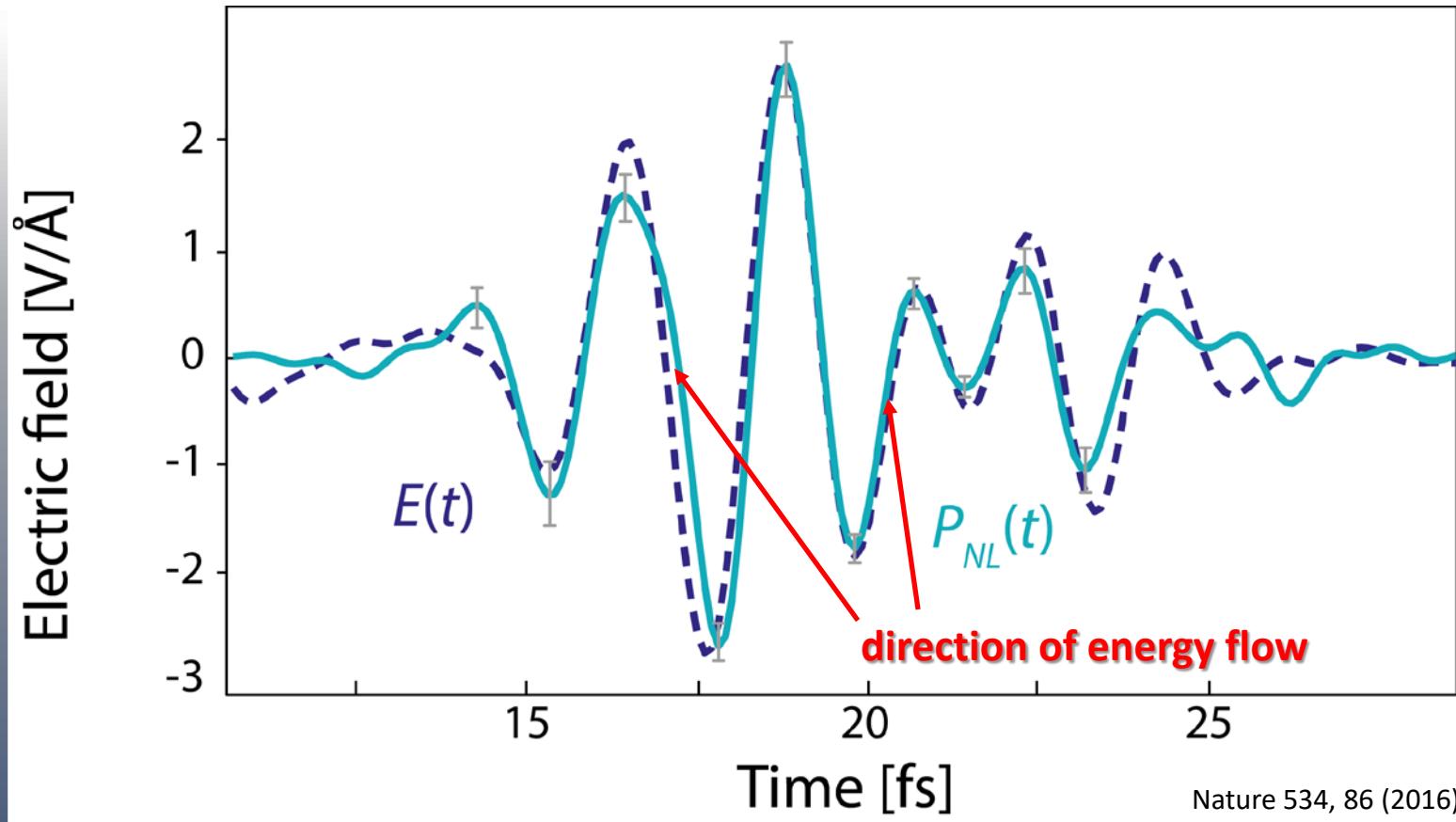
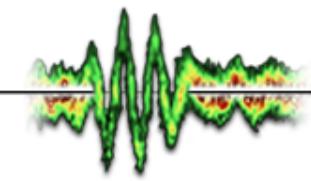
# Nonlinear refractive index



$$n(I) = n_0 + n_2 I(t)$$



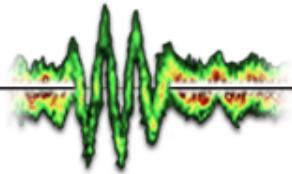
# Nonlinear polarization density



$$P_{NL} \sim \langle x_{electrons}(t) \rangle$$

Nonlinear polarization density  
 ↔  
 Electron displacement

# Energy transfer dynamics

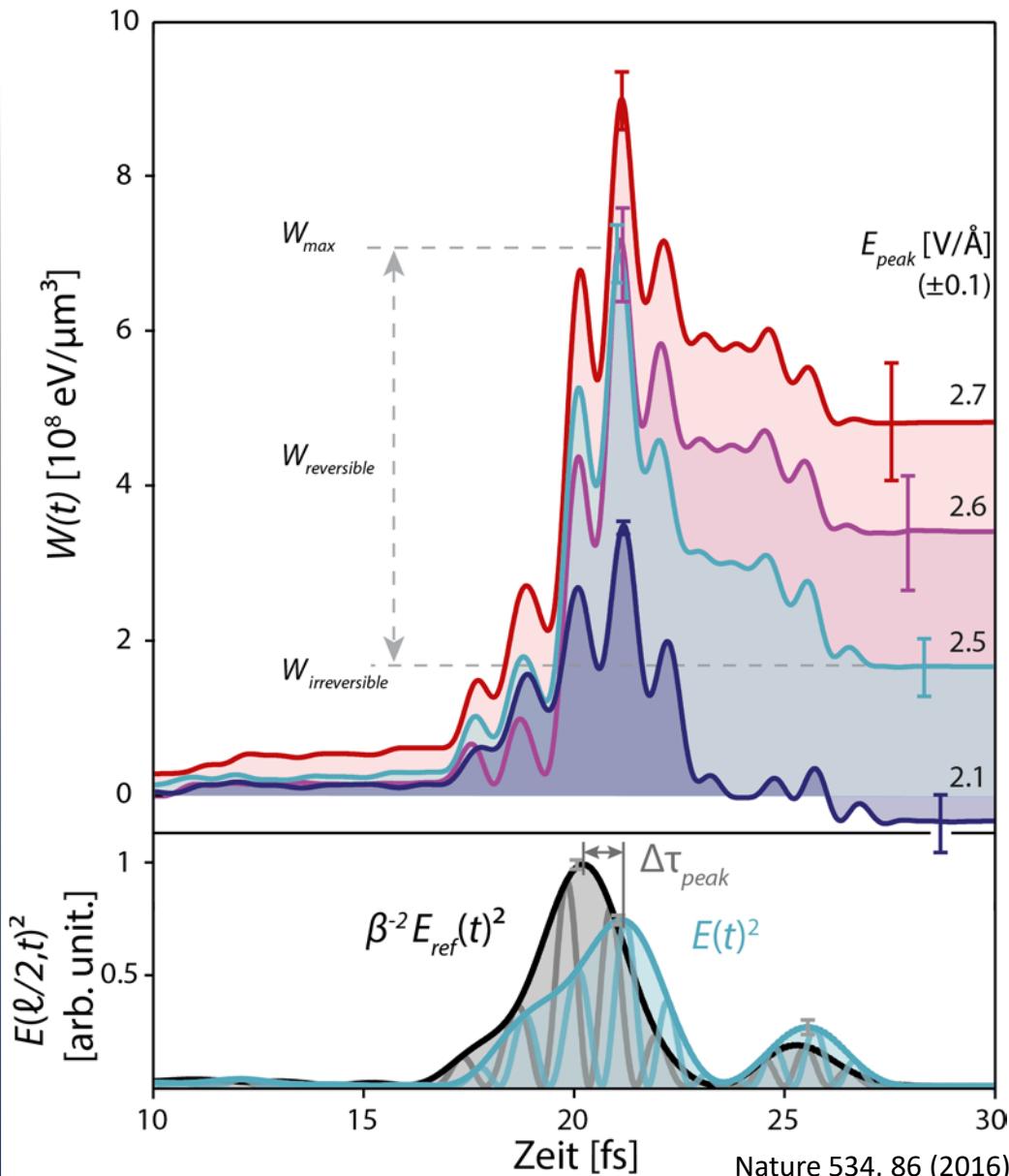


Work  $W$  done to the electronic system by the external field:

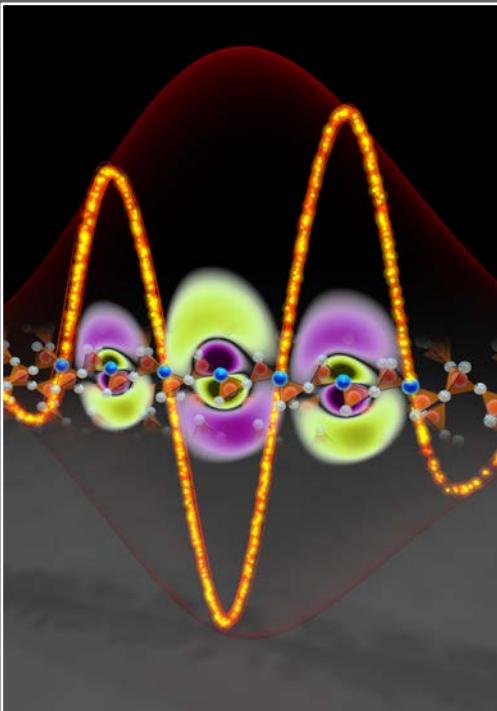
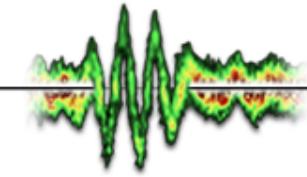
$$W(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t E(t') * I(t') dt'$$

**measured**

$\downarrow$   
 $\frac{d}{dt} P_{NL}(t)$   
**measured too !**



# Electron dynamics in solids



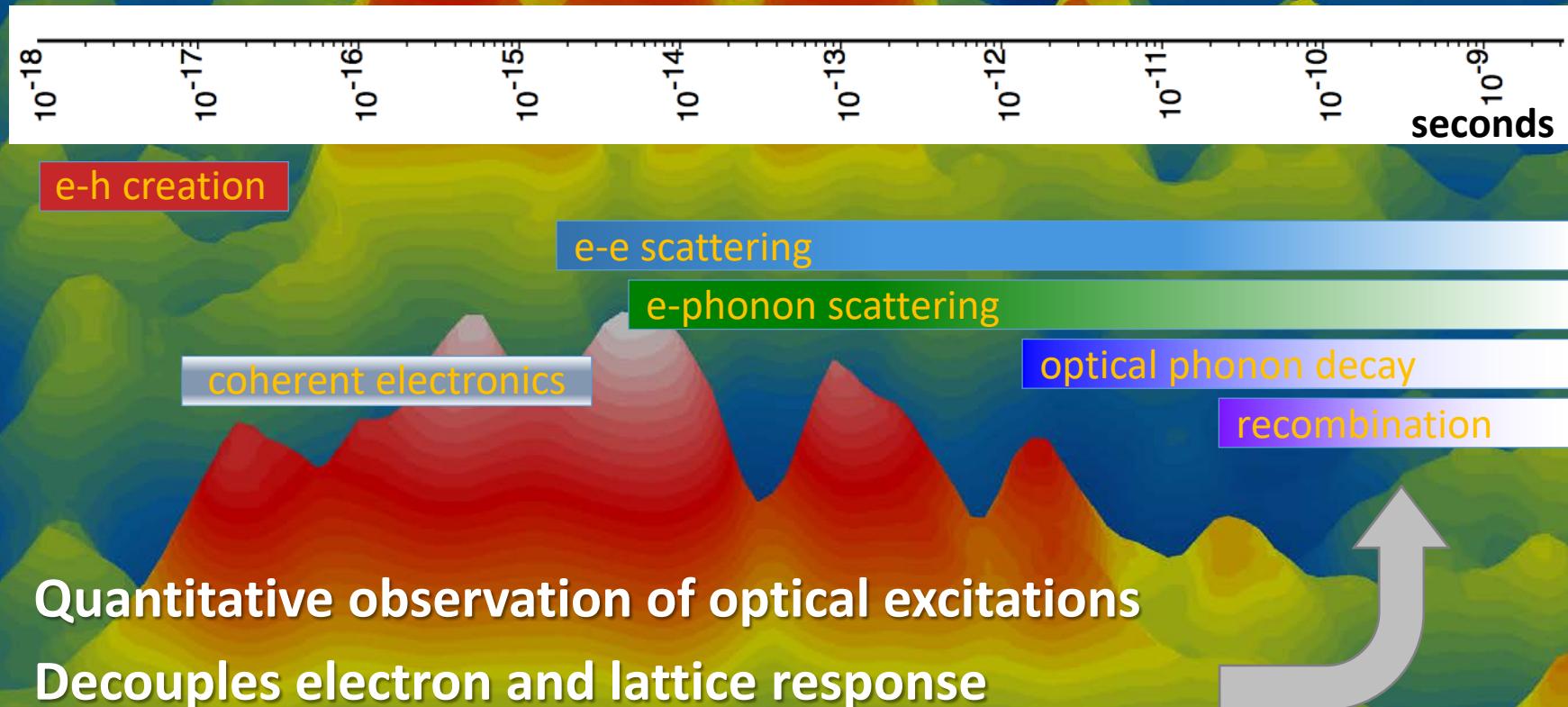
## Ultrafast spectroscopy in solids

Ultrafast laser pulse can reversibly modify the electronic properties of band-gap materials

## Electronics at optical clock rates

These developments hold promise for opto-electronic metrology and signal manipulation at a clock rate 10000 times faster than current micro electronics

# Attosecond solid state spectroscopy



- Quantitative observation of optical excitations
- Decouples electron and lattice response
- Explores transient electronic states

dynamics into & inside the bands, energy transfer dynamics, scattering times, electron-phonon coupling, carrier relaxation

# Attosecond electron dynamics in band-gap materials

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